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It Lives Again

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What does she want, a he or she?

Oh that's nice, why don't

you give that to Jody?

Yeah!

- Who is this from?

- Isn't that pretty Jennifer?

- Oh...

- Aw...

It's a boy, is that what it is?

Look at that.

Is that not cute?

We have so much food.

Will you please eat some more food?

- Hey Jody.

- Yeah?

Ed's wife did the natural childbirth.

- Oh, boy.

- Stevie, you got enough cake?

Jody, you going back to get your degree

- after the baby?

- Jody would have been

a hell of a lawyer if she

hadn't quit law school.

- Really?

- Well...

The Packers will probably sign him up.

Take care, and take it real easy, okay?

- Mommy...

- I'll try.

' Okay!

' Bye bye!

Hey I'm arguing that case

on behalf of the Indians

at the federal courthouse Tuesday.

Drop on in, see a star at work!

Got everything?

- Oh, good luck.

- Bye bye.

- Call us.

- All right, thanks a lot.

- Thank you for coming!

- Bye my dear!

Thank you for coming!

Listen, I'm going to call everybody.

Jody's going to walk to
the hospital.

- I'll call you.

- Well, I was thinking
of taking someone with me.

Oh yeah?

Sweetie, have you been left behind?

No, I'm fine.

Well, I just thought if
you were going my direction,
that I'd...

No, no it's okay actually.

- Oh, I'll help you.

- I'm hiring a lady
for the day, or the week.

And thank you!

Irritable, isn't he?

That guy, I thought he came with you?

No, I don't think he likes women.

Oh, come on, you can't stand
rejection, and you know it.

Oh, find out if he's queer,
I'd really like to know.

Would you be quiet?

- I bummed a sandwich, bye.

- Thank you.

- Bye!

- Good-bye.

Take care, Stevie.

- Bye honey.

- Bye!

- Thank you!

- I'm so excited for you.

Oh, thank you.

- Bye Stevie!

- Thank you!

Bye, thank you!

Hey everybody's got
to go home now so I can
get the dishes and the vacuuming done.

Let me validate your parking.

Cake was wonderful.

Who's that guy?

- What?

- That guy over there.
I thought you knew him, you don't...
I thought he was a friend of yours.
That he was with what's-her-name.
No, I don't know who he is.
Go ask him who he is!
Go on, go ask him.
- Go on.
- Well it is our house.
Yes, party-crashing a baby shower?
Hello?
Hi.
Hello.
I'm sorry we didn't
get a chance to talk.
I didn't want to interrupt.
You have so many nice friends.
Yeah, we do.
Listen this is, uh, this
is very embarrassing,
but, uh, I don't think I know you.
I just flew in from Los Angeles,
I'm sorry, my name is Frank Davis.
Hi, I'm, uh, well, you
obviously know who we are.
Never heard of me, then?
No, should I have?
Uh, Gene?
Honey, this is Frank
Davis from Los Angeles.
- Oh, hello.
- Just flew down.
How do you do.
Hope you're not selling
insurance or encyclopedias.
No, not "
I'm not here to sell anything.
Honey, why don't you
put the presents away?
We'll work this out.
Well I'd like to hear it.
It's about your baby.
Oh?
Well, I was going to

get some coffee.
Would you like some coffee, something?
Darling, you can stop
playing hostess now.
I mean the guy's here,
he's been here all day,
and now he won't tell us what he wants.
- I have told you.
- Gene just let him talk,
- will you?
- Well who's stopping him?
Look, if you have something
to tell me about my baby,
then why don't you?
Because, frankly,
it's making me kind of nervous.
I don't know if you're
aware that doctors all over
the country have been contacted
by the federal government,
and asked to report
what they consider to be
cases of abnormal pregnancy.
I don't know what
that has to do with us.
Dr. Fairchild has
taken an extensive series
of tests just last week.
Yes, but you said abnormal.
The baby's very large, isn't it?
Listen, are you a doctor?
No, no he's not a doctor.
He's the man that was in TIME magazine.
Remember, there was a story?
It was in all the newspapers.
- Frank Davis?
- The Davis baby?
Remember there was a
special program on CBS?
Yes, I do remember.
I felt very sorry for you, Mr. Davis.
Is your wife all right?
She's recovered.
But have you recovered,

or do you go around
to people's houses
trying to frighten them?
Mr. Davis, if there's
anything I can do for you,
if you need an attorney...
If you've read about me
then you've heard about
what happened to the baby born in Seattle.
Yes, I do remember.
That one was killed, wasn't it?
Yes.
At birth.
I'm sorry, excuse me, I don't feel...
No I don't feel very good, now.
I'm sorry, Mr. Davis.
My wife's not feeling well.
I'm gonna have to ask you to leave,
and I don't want to
have to call the police.
That's just what you
don't want to do.
The police aren't going to be of
any help to you or your baby.
You see, there were blood specimens
taken that day by Dr. Fairchild.
And they matched up with other samples.
Well what other samples?
What do you mean?
They're looking for characteristics
that they found in my wife's blood.
Now they're trying to locate these infants
before they're born, so
they can be terminated.
If it is one of these babies,
it will come early, unexpectedly.
Now they're prepared for that.
The team arrived the day before
- yesterday--
- Team?
Team, right.
- Specialists.
- Are you saying there are
people here for the specific

purpose of killing our baby?
If it's like my son when it's born, yes.
Well there's a, a man named
Mallory across the street,
watching this house right now.
They change shifts every eight hours.
You mean that Dr.
Fairchild's part of all this?
I don't think the man
out front recognized me.
I came in with your other guests.
Well hell if it's going
to be a goddamn monster,
why not kill it?
- Huh?
- They use that word too
easily, don't they?
Monster?
Huh, the Davis Monster?
Because it's different.
They didn't show any
pictures of your baby.
How many people did it...
- How many people did it...
- murder?
In the delivery room, they
tried to suffocate my child,
but naturally, it fought back.
But he, he found us.
He came home to us.
Came to me, his father, for protection.
And I shot him.
Wounded my own child.
But he forgave me.
Is that an animal?
Is it?
Is that a monster, that can forgive?
I'm sorry.
See, I cooperated with the authorities.
My wife and I let them take tests,
so now they trust us.
You ever done this before?
Gone to other people?
Yes there was a woman

in Evanston, Illinois,
but I learned too late.
The team had already arrived.
They were prepared.
Right in the delivery room,
they snuffed out its life.
There's been two false
alarms, and two mistakes.
I don't, I hope that, you don't think
this is too crazy of me, but...
I have a feeling that
this one isn't a mistake.
May I touch it?
Yes, you can.
I felt it as soon as
I came in the house.
The same feeling I had
when my son was close by.
Don't be ashamed.
I hope you have the opportunity
to see that, Eugene.
Some of us have, it makes us
very remarkable in our own way.
Hey, don't you think you'd better go now?
I mean, uh, maybe you
should go out the back.
You don't want the little man to see you.
I'll be talking to you in a few days.
I'll stay in the motel.
Call if you need me.
It's the only place I could
find with a private phone.
I don't trust the switchboard.
Take it easy.
It's happening, and it's going to continue
to happen to lots of other people.
Thousands, millions maybe
before this century's out.
Did he tell you what it looked like?
No.
I feel exactly like I did when
they called me and told me
Dad died of a heart attack.
Why?

Jody, why did you let him touch you?
Hello, Doctor.
Yeah.
I'm going to need help down here.
That's right.
I'm staying at the Palos Park Motor Inn.
That's two blocks from the hospital.
That's right.
We have a lot of people who
are sympathetic to us here.
We're setting up facilities
to deliver the baby outside the hospital.
A mobile unit is being
brought in from Los Angeles.
We can't wait for her to go into labor.
Will it be safe for the mother, Doctor?
The prime danger will
be to the infant itself.
We'll have to tranquilize
it before delivery.
It could be stillborn.
We'll be waiting for you.
Ah, I don't see him now.
He must be crazy.
It's kicking again, hard.
It's always been an active baby.
It.
I'm calling it it.
I don't even call it he or she anymore.
Lots of people call their baby it.
All my vitamins and my food supplements
and my great vegetarian diet.
I bet you they're going to
tell me that's what caused it.
You know I've been thinking
about the legal aspects
of this case, and the
government can't have
any actual backup for what they're doing.
Must come under the heading
of emergency measures.
I mean, if this thing
were tested in the courts,
- it would never hold up.

- Sounds just like you.
You're getting back to yourself again,
talking like a lawyer, huh?
What they're trying to do to us,
conspiring to murder our child.
Of course, in India, infanticide
has been practiced for centuries.
Did you know that?
No, I didn't know that.
Strangling baby girls at birth,
or spreading opium on the mother's
nipples before nursing them.
Really!
Glad I'm not in India.
I think today they just starve
the little girls to death.
They don't have enough food.
And I guess it's easier to kill
what you consider inferior.
Well look, over
here, we run the country, huh?
Frank, this is Dr. Forest.
Come in.
The mobile unit has arrived.
It's being checked out.
Go get me a cup of coffee.
All right.
No, make that tea, I don't want coffee.
You want the herbal tea, yes--
The herbal tea.
Oh, God!
God, Gene!
Gene!
You all right?
No.
It's started.
It started.
You sure?
Yes.
Here, sit down.
Oh, oh my.
Sit down.
Oh my...
- I'm going to call Davis.

- Yeah.

Just relax.

I'm going to get his number.

This contraction is too big.

God, I wasn't due for a week!

This is Dr. De Santos, Frank Davis.

Pleasure to meet you, doctor.

The Scotts will be so
relieved to know you're here.

Oh my...

Why don't they turn that music down?

Doesn't anyone sleep around here?

I feel like celebrating myself.

Okay...

Why is it this big?

We have four more of these
units in construction.

That's marvelous.

It's going to save the
lives of so many children.

You've done a remarkable job, Doctor.

Bullshit doctors coming in from L.A.,
song and dance he gave us.

Shit.

Just relax, just relax.

He's not there!

The son of a bitch is not there!

I'm going to call

Eugene and Jody Scott now.

Good.

- Don't call Dr. Fairchild.

- Hello. Dr. Fairchild?

Yes, yes, this is an emergency!

We're going to the hospital now.

- Busy.

- Wait a minute,
maybe they're trying to get you.

Come on.

I never believed Frank Davis anyway.

' Let's go!

' I'm trying!

All right.

- Oh God!

- We just can't wait anymore!

I mean, we don't have
any more time, we gotta go!
- Oh, God, oh...
- Oh, you all right, huh?
Come on, baby we gotta get there!
I know I know, I can't walk very fast!
All right, all right, all right,
I don't mean to be pushy.
I won't go to that hospital.
Look, we can't risk your life, we've got
to go to the hospital!
She's in labor.
Mr. Mallory has already been
notified by Dr. Fairchild.
They're both en route to the
hospital, everything's being prepared.
They're out.
They've gone to maternity.
Frank, wait a minute!
Well, you've seen photographs taken
in the hospital in Los Angeles.
You all know what has to be done.
All right, let's go to our posts.
What are you doing with the gun, Frank?
Don't worry about the gun, Doctor.
Move this unit into position
behind the hospital,
- I'm going in there.
- They'll recognize you, Frank.
Get me a doctor's bag and a clipboard.
Clear all visitors out
of the maternity ward
and seal off the third floor!
I love you Jody!
I won't let anybody hurt you, darling.
Two Mary 12, cleared.
10-L-20, roger.
12-Ben-7, 12-Ben-7, come in.
Mr. Scott...
- Mrs. Scott?
- Excuse me, Pardon me?
No, I'm not gonna go in there!
Who are you?
- Wait, wait a minute!

- Gene!
- What are the police
- Gene!
Doing here?
Wait, why are all these police here?
They're for security, that's all.
What, for a bomb scare, what?
Nothing to be alarmed about.
That's about what it is.
Yeah, with nothing to do with you
watching my house the other night was it?
- Later, later, Mr. Scott.
- Jody!
- Christ!
- Jody, wait! I'll be right in!
Take him to the waiting room!
I don't want to go to the waiting--
Jody wait!
Call for Dr. Neuman.
Call for Dr. Neuman.
Bear down, there we go.
Once more, long, steady push.
More.
The officers are outside,
you want 'em in here now?
- Now relax.
- Please, it's going to be
a beautiful baby!
It's going to be a girl!
Gene wants a little girl!
Please don't hurt my baby!
Don't hurt my baby!
It's going to be a
beautiful baby, I know that!
- In and out.
- Everything will be all right
now don't worry about it, huh?
Long, steady push.
It's normal!
Gene!
I don't know about this.
If you don't want to
go through with this,
I'll take the responsibility.

Dr. Fletcher, I have a cardiac arrest
on the second floor, step aside, please.

Why are the police here?

Uh, you fellas wait outside the door.

I'll call you when I need you.

- Dr. Fairchild?

- Okay, go on, go on!

You don't even know what
it's going to look like!

You have no right, this is my baby!

This is murder!

- Now who told you that?

- Gene, help me!

Somebody informed

her before she arrived.

I'll have a word with her husband.

Take a deep breath, hold it, bear down.

Call for Dr. Columbine.

I had a feeling that
you couldn't be trusted.

I'd like you to look at this chart.

Persuasive, isn't it?

You could call it a case
of temporary insanity.

Now tell them to bring the
husband up here to see his wife.

Come on.

Bring the father down on the double.

Very good.

Relax,.

- You all right?

- Relax...

Jesus, what are you doing?

I'm going into the delivery room.

Are you sure you want
to be part of this?

Let's get our hospital gowns.

Move.

Dr. Neuman, front desk, please.

- Dr. Fairchild!

- Jody!

Now hold it, don't do anything.

- Hey baby, it's alright, it's--

- All right now take off.

I'm taking the patient
out of the hospital.
I don't want any trouble.
No interference, you understand?
It's his ball game.
Go ahead.
Step aside from the patient.
I want you to give her a
shot that'll retard labor.
Now, I know you can do it.
Come on, move!
Take off the stirrups.
It's going to be a beautiful baby!
- Normal, it's gonna be normal!
- Hurry up, let's go.
It's okay, it's okay, side scoop.
That's good.
You're committing suicide.
It'll kill all of you.
All right now listen,
there's a truck coming around
to the emergency entrance.
It's to be allowed to enter.
All we want is time to get a court order
protecting the life of that infant.
A truck is to be permitted to enter
the restricted area behind the hospital.
The medical personnel aboard
are not to be interfered with.
Now take it easy!
No crime has been committed!
You have no right to arrest us!
I'm protecting this woman's
right to have a baby!
Put her on the gurney.
Frank, we're ready for you!
All right put 'em down, put 'em away!
Put your guns down, fellas!
Doctor, you're going to
save my baby aren't you?
I'm going to damn well try.
Oh...
Gene, I think we better hurry.
Okay, let's get her on the table.

You're gonna be hearing
screams in there in a minute!
Climb in next to me.
You should be very careful.
Prep her up quickly.
They're not following us anymore.
Keep your eyes on the road,
slow down and keep it under 25.
Just a few more minutes,
just a few more minutes.
It's an enormous child.
No bigger than any of the others.
What's the use, Davis?
The federal authorities
will never let you get
to pass the state line.
We'll see.
It shouldn't be
allowed to live!
Please tell me, what are you doing?
I want to see my baby.
Let me see my baby!
- It's completely sedated.
- I want to see him.
It's a boy.
It's a boy, isn't it?
Let me see him.
Oh, my God!
How can you let this happen?
What's going on back there?
Hello, doctor?
- Let me out of here!
- No, don't kill it!
He's in shock,
he'll be all right.
Let me out, let me out,
let me out, let me out,
let me out, let me out
- let me out let me out...
- Tell me what it looks like
Gene, I want to look at it!
What's going on back there?
We delivered a live male child.
- Dr. De Silva is injured.

- Let me out of here!
He's in a state of shock,
but I think he'll be all right.
What does he look like?
Slow down.
We're coming to the tunnel.
This is the sheriff's jurisdiction.
We're stopping the truck, hostage or not.
Do as you goddamn please!
Okay we're stopping the truck.
Compliments of the house.
It's all right, he's unarmed!
He's not armed!

- Continuing,
- It's one of the doctors.
- a male, 45 years,
- They left the mother inside.
5'11", 190 pounds.
They changed cars in the
tunnel, a camper, gray.
I couldn't get a make on the license.
What are you going to do, arrest me?
You bet your sweet ass I am.
Yeah?
Well, I can't wait to get
my day in court.
TV is just going to love me.
Let him go.
Release him!
Thanks.
You don't belong in a jail,
you belong in a mental institution.
Yeah, it was born, wasn't it?
You couldn't stop it, it was born.
Ah!
Ah, God...
I've been out for four hours.
You needed the rest.
Yeah.
I thought I'd never sleep again.
Where we headed?
Back to Los Angeles, where it all began.
I'm due at the Dallas
airport tomorrow night.

I'm giving a lecture at the Adolphus
on my unique experience with fatherhood.
You're making a
profession out of this now?
Why are you trying
so hard to do your job?
I have a high regard for the human race.
I want to see that it sticks
around a little while longer.
How about a lift to the airport?
After all, I gave you a ride.
Are they still watching us out there?
There's only one of them.
He's only here to keep
the newspaper people away.
They're spying on me,
that's what they're doing,
Frank Davis told me--
I don't want to hear anything
more about Frank Davis.
Now here, take these
and go back to bed, come on.
Listen Mother, I appreciate your coming,
I really do, but please just let me alone.
Look you can't
feel guilty about this.
- It's not your fault!
- I don't feel guilty
about this!
Look, we've always been
pals, so I'm going to tell you
exactly what's on my mind.
You've only known Eugene a few years.
You don't know his family,
- where he comes from--
- Oh don't!
All I know is that there
is nothing wrong with anyone
on our side of the
family, it couldn't be us,
- it has to be him.
- It isn't hereditary,
and you know that, it's
been happening to others!

What are you trying to do,
you're twisting this around,
you're trying to make me hate Eugene!
All I know is that you could have made
- something of yourself if you
- All I want you to do for me,
stayed in school in New York!
Please, right now, is to
help me to get away from this!
- Well, I'm not going to do that!
- They're gonna be watching me.
Gene's gonna be wanting me to come,
the baby's gonna need me.
You are not making any sense!
When the time comes,
you will help me to get away from here.
- I'm not going to!
- You will do
- exactly as I say!
- Exactly as you say.

Fine.

Just fine.

They switched to a camper
near Phoenix and then to a van.

These people are clever
and well-organized.

We won't find them easily.
You certainly are prepared.

Oh, Dr. Perry.

How do you do, Dr. Perry?

Mr. Scott.

I think I should explain
to you, Mr. Scott,
that yours is not
the only child here.

We have others.

Others?

Yes, one was brought from
Atlanta about 12 days ago.

One was delivered here.

The mother didn't survive.

Well, maybe it's the trip,
but, uh,

I'm not feeling too well.

Well, that's only normal. You haven't eaten for 24 hours.

We've prepared a room up there in the west wing.

Oh, thank you.

How are the babies doing?

More alert every day.

They communicate, they're very much aware of each other, they've been quite calm, and I think they trust me.

My tests indicate that they have the mental capacity of a human infant of about 21 months.

Hmm.

I think Mr. Scott ought to get some rest.

No, uh, I think

I'd like to see them.

Are you sure?

Yeah, I saw mine.

I'm not afraid to look anymore.

One thing I think you'll find, they bear a striking resemblance to each other.

Almost like brother and sister.

Oh, is one of them a female?

We keep them down here because it's more secure.

When will Frank Davis be here?

He won't come until it's absolutely safe.

In my opinion, based on their present rate of growth, that in five or six years, they should be capable of sexual activity.

I pride myself in thinking that these two might be the first to reproduce on this planet.

Which one is mine?

Oh, he's in the laboratory upstairs.

He'll be brought down here

eventually, where it's warm.
Also, being with each
other seems to calm them.
I've named them.
First necessity with a child, I suppose.
Might be in bad taste, or even blasphemous,
to have named them Adam and Eve.
But, what the hell, it seemed
like a good joke at the time.
They know you're afraid of them.
No kidding?
Ha, they're not the only ones
who know it!
Boy, do I know it!
Your fear seems to threaten them.
He's the father of one just like you.
You're going to have
a little baby brother.
He's here, and he's safe.
And this is his father.
You see, neither of them have
ever met their parents.
Probably want to focus on
you as a father figure.
Uh, thanks Doc, I'd hate
to rob you of that honor.
Stop that!
Stop that.
Everybody knows you can make noises.
It only makes people
nervous and fearful of you.
You behave yourself,
or I won't let you out.
You let them out?
Just Adam,
and I'm always well-armed.
I've never seen them this
agitated before, come on.
You can see them again
tomorrow, if you want.
Thanks, Doc, that'd be great.
It's not going to work out.
Maybe we should have the mother instead.
Now, you stop that, behave yourselves!

I don't feel so good.
You got anything to drink?
What do you mean, you lost Davis?
Well sir, we had a tail on him,
but he must have known it.
- This boy had help.
- Well, of course he had help!
Right now, he's probably with
Eugene Scott and the infant.
Mr. Mallory, our friend is outside.
Well, tell her to come in.
Mr. Mallory.
We appreciate your cooperation.
If she's giving you a bad time,
you know,
I could come over and
spend some time with her.
Take her to lunch,
we could have a bridge party
or something.
I'll come over and take her to lunch.
Mrs. Scott, there's a call
for you on the pay phone.
Hello.
Yes, Mrs. Scott?
Yeah?
I'm a friend of your
husband's and Frank Davis.
They'd like to see you.
- Okay.
- Are you being followed?
- Um, I think so.
- I think so, too.
Do you know the New View
Theater on B Street?
Yeah.
Go there tonight for the 8:00 show.

At 8:

on the south side of the theater.
Get on the first city bus that passes.
We'll be waiting for you.
Hey, please don't smoke,
the babies don't like that.

Is that your gun?
Your boy seems to be getting along
quite well with the other two.
I told you not to smoke.
They're very sensitive to it!
Sorry.
We don't regard them as
being monsters or subhuman.
As a matter of fact, they're
potentially beautiful.
Superhuman.
The beginning of a new race of humanity
that will finally eclipse our own.
They're the next step
forward in evolution.
A way in which the human race
can survive the pollutions of this planet.
I think I'm gonna go upstairs and uh..
I'll see you later.
I got to get something to
drink, you want something?
Bring me a diet soda of some sort.
Okay.
The floor sticks to your
feet in this theater.
Oh, it's all right.
Tell Mr. Mallory I put it in her purse
before we went out tonight.
Fine.
Jody never could fool
- her mother.
- Sh!
Welcome aboard, Mrs. Scott.
We've made arrangements
for you to see the baby.
Please lie down.
You'll be out of sight.
This place used to be a private
academy for embassy children,
till one day a kid fell
in this pool and drowned.
Oh, it was quite a scandal.
The lawsuits dragged on for months.
The school had to close down.

It's been a white elephant ever since.
But if you're wrong, Dr. Perry?
I mean what if these babies
can't be tamed or trained or whatever
you're going to do with them?
We're not trying to turn them into pets.
Just trying to make them
realize their maximum potential,
whatever that may be.

Yeah?

Well I don't know how to say this,
- but what if uh...

- Oh I know what you're
trying to say, what if they
don't prove to be compatible
with the human race, what then?

Do we destroy them?

I don't know.

I'd rather not think about that.

Well, somebody better
start thinking about it.

Yeah?

Hello, Perkins?

Mallory.

It's for me.

Be quiet, now, your
father's on the phone.

We traced her by electronic signal
to Los Angeles, and we want you
to handle the investigation.

Can't you get somebody else?

I've killed one, isn't that enough?

You know more about this
than anyone on the LAPD.

- It's your baby.

- Yeah, my baby.

- Hey.

- Well, I'm here.

I think I'm okay, I don't
think we were followed.

We changed cars about
four times and I never saw
anything, so, I think it's okay.

That's good.

- Hello, Frank.

- Frank's here.

Hello.

When do I get to see him?

You don't want to wake him up now.

You'll get to hold him and feed him,
and even teach him, both of you.

You'll change your mind, Gene.

You'll see.

Yeah.

Yeah, change my mind.

What did he mean?

Nothing, come on.

Let's go and rest.

Well tell me, what's he like,
how is he? Tell me.

He's big, and he's real strong.

There's two others here, too, you know?

Yeah, I know, they told me about that.

We've triangulated her position between
Coldwater and Benedict
Canyon, below Mulholland.

We ought to have a direct fix
within 20 minutes if the signal holds out.

Hi, I'm Dr. Peters.

My wife sent some things
over for you to use.

Let me know if there's
anything else we can do.

Thank you.

Thanks, Doc.

Well, that's good of 'em.

I didn't have time to pack anything.

I didn't even bring anything to sleep in.

Hey that's great.

That's terrific.

Gee, I really missed you.

I really did miss you a lot, you know?

Oh, Gene, just, here, wait it hurts.

- What, hurts?

- Yes!

I just want to wash,

- I'm sorry.

- And I want to take a shower.

- I'm sorry.
- No, it's okay.
You don't like the way I
touch you anymore, do you?
Well, it's too soon to do anything--
I don't want to do anything!
I just wanted to hold you.
I can't.
Make you feel sick
when I touch you now?
Does it make you feel sick
because of what we created?
Is that what you think?
- No.
- Huh?
I don't know!
I just don't want to be held, okay?
I thought that I would,
when I was coming here,
I was very excited.
I couldn't wait to be
here, but now I just don't.
I don't want to be held.
I don't know what to say!
It's all right!
- I don't want to shout.
- Shut up!
It's okay, we got two beds!
I wanted things to be
like they were,
the same, but it just isn't, okay?
It isn't the same!
It can't be the same.
We're not going to be
the same people anymore!
Hey, don't work too
hard in this heat, huh?
Don't worry, Dr. Perry's gonna
relieve me in an hour.
I know I must have
brought my toothbrush.
What's this?
What's this?
Must belong to Mother.

If it gets outside the
house into the brush,
we don't stand a chance.
It's got to be killed
inside the house.
Shut up.
Shut up, God damn it, now shut up!
What's happening?
What's happening down
here to upset them so?
The mother arrived about an hour ago.
They've been hysterical ever since.
All three of them?
That's odd.
You take a rest, I'll baby-sit awhile.
Tonight's a little too hot to sleep.
Maybe I'll get into a cold tub.
Don't forget, you're back on, six a.m.
Right.
Jesus, it's hot in that room.
Hey, how about some gin rummy?
Huh? Yeah.
It's too hot for sleep.
Calm down.
You know your mother's
just upstairs.
As long as you're up, we might
as well not waste the night.
Put Adam through the maze again.
Now, now.
There, there.
Adam, where are you?
Adam, you don't want to hurt me.
Adam!
Ah!
I got to get up at five o'clock.
No, God, no!
No, no!
Oh, God!
The door to the nursery
room seems to be open.
Did you hear a phone ringing upstairs?
I'll go and see about Dr. Perry.
Yeah, the door was open.

They'll kill all the babies for this.

It mustn't happen, mustn't happen!

Hey Frank, I found some trunks.

Hey, that's not a bad idea.

I may join you in a few minutes.

Say did you hear a phone or
a doorbell ring upstairs?

- No, when?

- A couple of minutes ago.

Hey, you think that water's
clean enough to swim in?

Just don't swallow it.

Come on in.

Hey!

This somebody's idea of a joke?

Davis, is that you?

Huh?

Gene?

Gene?

Gene?

Dr. Perry?

Gene?

Fire that flare!

Oh, no... oh, no,
you don't want to harm me,
I'm not like one of them,
I'm not one of them!

Oh!

- He's in there with somebody!

- It's in the clear.

Fire.

Get it off, get it off!!

That goddamn flare
blew our whole surprise!

Oh...

No, there's two.

You're mine, aren't you?

I can see it.

Don't you know who I am?

They lied to us, Jody!

- Calm down!

- He lied to you,

- Calm down. Calm--

- they're going to kill us all!

I'm gonna take another
look at that damn thing.
Why do you hate me?
- Jody!
-
- Calm down.
- My baby...
Now that you killed
it, you can all go home.
Disappointed, Mr. Mallory?
Let's find Mrs. Scott and Frank Davis.
Take it easy, it won't hurt me.
Why did you do this?
Why do you want to hurt people?
Why did you do this?
Why do they hate me?
Why does my own child hate me?
- Scared you huh?
- It sure did.
That Scott baby was a boy, wasn't it?
Yeah.
Well this one's a female.
Come on, let's go.
What's this?
Was this in your purse?
Yes.
Some kind of homing device.
She brought this to us, my own mother.
I could kill her.
It is not her fault.
Easy, now.
Come on, it's not her fault, come on.
Okay.
You stay here.
- Frank!
- Stay here.
- Frank, wait, no wait!
- I said stay here!
There's more than one.
Give me that goddamn transmitter.
There's two more running around loose!
There's two more running
around somewhere in the house.
Now find them!

They get outside into the brush, we'll never find them.

Seal off the house.

Jody, go back

- and keep them distracted.

- Frank!

When will I see him again?

Maybe it's safer if you don't.

- No, Frank.

- Please, go ahead.

- No.

- Jody, go.

Wait, wait, I...

Where's my husband?

- Where's Gene?

- Take it easy!

- Where's my husband?

- Take it easy, take it easy!

- He's at the...

- Where's my husband?

He's at the hospital, he's at the Cedars of Sinai Emergency Hospital.

What?

- Take her downstairs!

- Where's Gene?

Come on, the rest of you, come on,

- Where's, wait...

- come on!

Well, that's two.

Did you see it?

I could have sworn it

tried to say something.

Shut up and cover it up.

Get me a blanket.

Now let's find the other one.

- Come on.

- Find Frank Davis,

and we'll find the third one.

Hold it, who's there?

You're trespassing on a city reservoir.

He won't hurt you.

No, no, take it easy,

it's not the policemen,

it's only a night watchman.

Now be calm, he's not gonna hurt you.
Did you hear me?
I said, who's there?
Don't, don't, it's
not, it's not the police.
Turn it off, please.
I'm gonna die!
Well, I said cover it up!
If you don't want
to see this, Mrs. Scott...
I'll take you to see your husband.
He's going to be all right.
We made reservations for you
and your wife to return to Tucson.
If I were you, I'd have us
stay around here for bait.
Davis told me that these, uh,
infants have a very
strong homing instinct.
They always manage to find their parents.
It may be that my baby just might be,
might try to come back and get me.
You'll help us?
I said I'm staying.
I mean, a few people might be alive today,
if I hadn't cooperated with Davis.
I'll cancel the reservation.
I guess I'm a funny guy.
Show me a few murders, and I'm impressed.
All you had to do was put one of those
on my back and I suddenly got your point.
I got the picture.
I want you to know that
you're not in this alone.
My real name was Preston.
The baby that was born in
Seattle, two years ago,
was mine.
Teresa and I had wanted a baby.
They told us we couldn't have any.
And then she conceived.
That baby was going to
be the most important
thing in our lives.

Then it was born.
It was one of them, it, it
killed her, it tore her apart.
I came home.
She'd had the baby, and it
was bending over her body.
I knew it was going
to kill me next,
and I had my service revolver.
Then you made a profession out of it.
If you were right, you
had to go around and
prove it over and over again.
I was right!
They don't belong on this Earth!
They'll keep coming and destroy us all!
They'll take over.
If you believe in God,
then they must be here for some reason.
Well, I don't believe in God.
Not anymore.
- Who got me this?
- He did.
Yeah, don't try to take it
back for the money, either.
You don't even need the makeup, Cindy.
That's not very nice
to say on my birthday.
I'm trying to get along with you.
Here, open my present first.
- Sure.
- Yeah and I'll open
- this one for you.
- No, I don't want
you to open it.
Come on, everybody, let's
go play some hide-and-go-seek.
- And you're it, Cindy.
- Come on, I don't
want to be it, let me finish
opening my present anyways.
We owe you 10 spankings,
so you either are it,
or you get your spankings.

Come on, everybody.
One, two, three, four,
seven, eight, nine, 10, 11, 12,
15,16,17,18,19, 21, 22,
25, 26, 28, 30!
I give up now. I can't
find you, come on out!
I'll be it again, come out
and give me another chance!
I know a place where
she'll never find us.
Come on, you're just,
today's my birthday,
now you're ruining it!
Nah, I never ruined your birthday,
you ruin all my birthdays!
Don't try anything.
Come on you guys, dang it!
I want to go home!
Valerie, I know you're in there!
Get out, come on!
I know you're in there, get out!
Get these kids out of here!
Oh, I'll never be mean to you again.
And I love the present you got me.
Move, move!
Come on.
Helicopter surveillance in these areas
will commence at 0900 hours.
Units to consolidate at point
121 on grid map 20.
Units G and C move along Mulholland
parallel to units E and F,
at the old fire station.
Mrs. Scott.
Here it is, cozy.
Yeah, I'm sure you'll be
very comfortable here.
We've checked the place
sir, everything's clean.
Good.
This is very strange.
I saw this house in a dream once.
More than once.

Maybe it was a nightmare.
Uh, would you get the groceries please?
Oh, sure.
The bedrooms are upstairs.
- Two of them.
- That will be perfect.
Come on, I'll show you
the rest of the house.
- How's your back?
- Sore.
Wouldn't you like to
see the rest of the house?
Clint!
Everything secure?
It's nice out here,
away from the congestion.
No neighbors.
Uh, the only thing they warned us about
was some holes in the roof,
but we don't expect much rain.
We patched in a direct line this morning.
All you do is dial seven.
Seven.
Yeah, Perkins.
Right, that's it.
We'll be here in under four minutes.
And the other bedroom is over here.
It's still somewhere in these hills.
They found a coyote this morning
with its throat torn out.
Nothing else could have done it.
You think it will come for us?
Only if you're alone.
We can't be too close.
It would sense our presence.
It's up to you.
I'll leave you these.
Jesus.
Is this loaded?
Yeah, be careful.
I couldn't use one of those!
Did you see what it did
to your husband's body?
Yes, but that wasn't

ours, that wasn't our baby.
Would you like to see a
photograph of Frank Davis's body?
- No!
- We're volunteers, remember?
Now come on, get the hell out of here.
I'm sorry it has to be like this.
All we can do is watch for
any fresh kills and wait.
And remember, it takes less
than four minutes to get here.
Less than four minutes.
I don't want any man
within a mile of this house.
Is that understood?
Let's go.
Oh, you forgot something.
This is yours.
They didn't even leave
us a car to get out in.
Don't worry, they're
watching from that fire station
up on the ridge.
They know every move we make.
Hopefully.
I'll take the other room.
Good deal.
Hey, don't forget to put
that gun by your bed!
Okay.
Attention, all LAPD and SWAT units,
proceed around left perimeter of reservoir
to grid section 19.
- Reservoir road is closed.
- Three days.
What about it?
Three days we're out in this
brush here without a cigarette.
- Repeat, reservoir road is
- It's got to come here.
- closed to all traffic.
- It's got to kill them both,
that's its nature.
Not nervous huh?

Look at your nails.
Hey, I think we're
too close here.
Well, let's pull back
to the fire station.
Hey we're pulling back
to the fire station.
Attention, all LAPD and SWAT units.
Lima beans, Chunky soup, eh,
and cranberry sauce.
Hey maybe we'll be here
till Thanksgiving, huh?
Meat-flavored, ah, Jody!
Sorry!
Here, look they sent us our mail.
Yeah, thanks, terrific.
It's from Dr. Fairchild.
He-He's, he-he's, you know,
charging us for the delivery!
- He's what?
- Yeah.
And if we don't pay him,
I bet you he'll sue us
and collect, and destroy our credit, too.
Let me see it.
I don't believe it.
Oh, God.
Those stupid bastards.
Who the hell are you calling?
Hi.
Yeah, I just wanted to see
if you were there, bye.
They're there.
They found the body
of a German Shepherd dog
just beyond the reservoir road.
The infant is circling the
house, moving closer every night.
We'd be better off
finding the cause of it,
pollution, drugs,
Units A and M,
- hold your positions...
- instead of just killing it.

I'm sorry.

Biting on a bullet might help.

Where's your gun?

It's by the bed upstairs.

Damn it Jody, I told

you to keep it with you,

now go get it!

- Come on.

- Okay.

It's in the crawlspace.

Use the phone.

- Go on, use the phone!

- Okay.

- Jesus.

- There!

Help me!

Call them back and tell

them it was a false alarm.

You didn't call, did you?

Well, why should I?

Now this time, the mistakes are ours!

- JOdy!

Everybody who believed in this

has been murdered by them!

Get out, I'll do it!

Please, forgive me.

What are you doing?

Don't, don't!

Please put that gun down!

He'll kill you!

Throw it away, throw it away,

let him see you throw it away!

Please, please try!

Please, you see your father?

We just want to touch

you, and hold you, please,

just, just let us touch you.

You see?

You see, he didn't come to hurt us.

He just wants to be held.

He, he just wants to be held.

Gene, feel him!

Just touch him, just

like Frank Davis said.

Oh, Gene, just hold him,
take him in your arms!
Gene, you can feel him, you'll know!
Feel him, and you'll know!
That window's some kind of a signal.
They would have phoned.
If you were afraid of
something getting into the house,
would you leave the window open
in the middle of the night?
You'll feel better.
In fact, we'll all feel better
if you're not so hungry.
That's it.
Go on, eat it all up.
I think he's sleepy.
He must have not slept for a long time.
Did you hear that?
- Okay, start pumping.
- Right away sir.
No wait, they're still in there.
- For all we know, they're dead by now.
- I said wait.
What is that?
Hey, they've covered the house!
You can still get out
through the kitchen,
they haven't sealed it off yet.
- Wait!
- Now put it down!
No, you're gonna make him kill,
you're going to do this to all of us!
He's not hurting anyone, give me--
Start pumping!
In 30 seconds they're going to start
pumping gas into this house!
No, don't, don't!
- Come on, let's go!
- No, go away!
Let it go.
Don't!
Help me, somebody, help me!
Get this monster off of me!
- Stop, stop!

- For God's sakes!
He can't hurt you, I've got
the gun, I've got the gun!
Stop!
Help him!
If you're human, you'll kill it!
Help me, God help me!
Help him, Gene!
I can't, I can't!
Shoot it!
God forgive me.
Let's get them out, come on, get out!
Get 'em out
of here, move 'em out!
Come on move 'em out, move 'em out!
- It's dead.
- It's dead?
- It's dead.
- It's dead, it's dead...
Excuse me, Mr. Baxter?
- Pardon me. Mr. Baxter?
- Yes? Do I know you?
No, I'm Eugene Scott,
we've never met before,
but uh, we have to talk.
It's about you and your
wife.
- Yes?
- And the new baby.