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Earthbound

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2,100...

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I am transmitting

I am transmitting

from planet earth.

From planet earth.

This will be the final entry

this will be the final entry

of my mission log.

Of my mission log.

It's too dangerous

it's too dangerous

to repeat this transmission,

to repeat this transmission,

but if someone's hearing me now,

but if someone's hearing me now,

listen carefully

listen carefully

and tell others

and tell others

what you've heard.

What you've heard.

People need to know

people need to know

what happened here.

What happened here.

In case you don't know,

in case you don't know,

earth is a blue planet

earth is a blue planet

with a yellow sun.

With a yellow sun.

It's a nice planet.

It's a nice planet.

It's big.

It's big.

There's 6.9 billion inhabitants.

There's 6.9 billion inhabitants.

It's the sort of place

it's the sort of place

it should have been

it should have been

easy to hide,

easy to hide,

unless you didn't really fit in.
Unless you didn't really fit in.
I've been hiding since I was 11.
I've been hiding since I was 11.
That's when my father
that's when my father
first told me these stories,
first told me these stories,
and that's where we'll begin.
we have touchdown.
The air is breathable.
Here on earth,
the last born son of zalaxon
the last born son of zalaxon
will live amongst the humans
will live amongst the humans
and will, at last, find peace.
Space commander.
Pew pew pew pew pew.
Pew pew pew pew pew.
Pew pew pew.
Ah!
joe.
He's awake.
He wants to see you.
He wants to see you.
Right now?
Right now?
Yeah joe.
Yeah joe.
Just one minute.
Just one minute.
I have to finish this.
What have you got there?
It's a comic I'm drawing
it's a comic I'm drawing
from a story my dad's
from a story my dad's
been telling me.
Been telling me.
Well, I'm sure
well, I'm sure
he'd love to see it.
He'd love to see it.

Come on.

I've drawn where they're

on zalaxon, see?

On zalaxon, see?

Oh, that's good.

Oh, that's good.

And xalador

and xalador

has taken the pregnant women

has taken the pregnant women

from each of the 12 tribes

from each of the 12 tribes

and he's going to sacrifice

and he's going to sacrifice

the newborns.

The newborns.

And mathius and baby jace

and mathius and baby jace

are about to escape into space.

Are about to escape into space.

See?

See?

You like this story?

You like this story?

Yeah.

Yeah.

But you haven't told me

but you haven't told me

what happens next.

What happens next.

The good guys win, right?

Do you think so?

'Cause it's not looking so good

'cause it's not looking so good

for them, is it?

For them, is it?

But they're the heroes.

But they're the heroes.

They'll keep fighting

they'll keep fighting

no matter how bad things get.

No matter how bad things get.

Joe.

Joe.

What if I told you
what if I told you
what happens next is mathius
what happens next is mathius
and jace escape
and jace escape
to the planet earth
to the planet earth
and they live among the humans.
And they live among the humans.
And when jace is 11 years old
and when jace is 11 years old
mathius gets ill and he knows
mathius gets ill and he knows
he's gonna die.
He's gonna die.
So he decides to finally
so he decides to finally
tell the truth to jace
tell the truth to jace
about where they came from.
About where they came from.
But it's just a story, right?
What if it wasn't?
What if it was true?
What if it was true?
Joe, I need to know
joe, I need to know
you're gonna be all right.
You're gonna be all right.
That you'll survive.
That you'll survive.
'Cause this is a hard world
'cause this is a hard world
to live in.
To live in.
The sun is bright,
the sun is bright,
and the gravity is strong,
and the gravity is strong,
but you've got to
but you've got to
keep fighting, joe.
I was 11 years old

I was 11 years old
when I learned the truth
when I learned the truth
about who I was.
About who I was.
My name is joe norman
my name is joe norman
and I am an alien.
And I am an alien.
mission log.
Mission log.
Earth date 29th,
earth date 29th,

the 9th, 9:

The 9th, 9:

If my calculations are correct,
if my calculations are correct,
the tennarias wormhole
the tennarias wormhole
should open at any second
should open at any second
and I'll be able to see
and I'll be able to see
the bedastear constellation.
If the beacon on zalaxon is lit,
it should be visible,
dead center.
Something's happening.
I can see it.
I can see it.
I can see the constellation.
I can see the constellation.
Come on.
Come on.
A flashing light.
A flashing light.
It should be visible
it should be visible
at the center any second.
At the center any second.
Any second now.
Any second now.

Any second.

that is a negative sighting

that is a negative sighting

on the beacon.

On the beacon.

The wormhole reopens

the wormhole reopens

in a few months,

in a few months,

by which time the rebellion

by which time the rebellion

will have succeeded.

End log.

Hey!

What do you think you're doing?

What do you think you're doing?

Get back here!

And in other news,

and in other news,

stargazers were treated

stargazers were treated

to an unexpected display

to an unexpected display

of aurora borealis,

of aurora borealis,

or the northern lights,

or the northern lights,

this evening.

This evening.

Scientists are attributing

scientists are attributing

the unpredicted...

mrs. reiley.

mrs. reiley.

Oh, you scared

oh, you scared

the life out of me, joe.

The life out of me, joe.

I'm sorry.

I'm sorry.

I thought you were a burglar.

I thought you were a burglar.

What did you plan

what did you plan

on doing with that?

On doing with that?

This?

This?

This is just a toy.

This is just a toy.

Oh.

Oh.

I just left a little surprise

I just left a little surprise

for your birthday.

I always look after

my best tenants.

I just thought I'd do

a little bit of a tidy.

A little bit of a tidy.

Oh, there's no need for that.

Oh, there's no need for that.

Thanks very much, mrs. reiley.

Thanks very much, mrs. reiley.

Thank you.

Thank you.

How did you know

how did you know

it was my birthday?

It was my birthday?

Oh, I saw it in your passport.

Anyway, I thought you'd be out

celebrating with your friends.

Celebrating with your friends.

It's a weeknight.

It's a weeknight.

It's friday.

It's friday.

Yeah, but I've got to work

yeah, but I've got to work

tomorrow, so...Thank you.

Tomorrow, so...Thank you.

Thanks.

Good night.

Hello ham.

Hello ham.

Hello.

Hello.

Missed you.

Missed you.

father.

Father.

My son.

My son.

You are well.

You are well.

Yes father.

Yes father.

Just logging mission update.

Just logging mission update.

There's no zalaxon energy

there's no zalaxon energy

signals detected nearby.

Signals detected nearby.

Doesn't seem that any

doesn't seem that any

bounty hunters even know

bounty hunters even know

what planet I'm on.

What planet I'm on.

And today was september

and today was september

the 29th, the tennarias wormhole

the 29th, the tennarias wormhole

finally opened

finally opened

but there was no beacon.

But there was no beacon.

You must be patient.

You must be patient.

The rebellion

the rebellion

will succeed in time.

Will succeed in time.

It's 26 years to the day

it's 26 years to the day

since we first arrived

since we first arrived

on earth.

On earth.

Don't be discouraged, joe.

Don't be discouraged, joe.

The wormhole will reopen
the wormhole will reopen
soon enough and
soon enough and
the beacon will be lit.
The beacon will be lit.
But what if it isn't?
But what if it isn't?
After next time it's another
after next time it's another
25 years before it opens again.
Sorry father.
I just thought I was finally
I just thought I was finally
going to be able to go home,
going to be able to go home,
you know, and just be able
you know, and just be able
to tell people who I am.
To tell people who I am.
And be a hero?
And be a hero?
Yeah.
Yeah.
Plus, on zalaxon
plus, on zalaxon
I'll be really strong
I'll be really strong
because of the gravity there
because of the gravity there
and that would be really cool.
Your battle is on earth, joe.
Every day that you survive
every day that you survive
is a further blow
is a further blow
to xalador's reign.
To xalador's reign.
Yes, I know.
But what if the rebellion
takes another hundred years.
Takes another hundred years.
I mean, xalador could just
I mean, xalador could just

keep cloning himself forever.
Keep cloning himself forever.
What if the rebels never
what if the rebels never
find a cure for sterilization?
Find a cure for sterilization?
I just really think
I just really think
that we need to just
that we need to just
consider the contingency.
Consider the contingency.
Absolutely not.
Absolutely not.
Close contact with the humans
close contact with the humans
is extremely dangerous.
Is extremely dangerous.
Your mission
your mission
is to stay hidden and survive.
Is to stay hidden and survive.
Plus you need at least
plus you need at least
85% genetic compatibility
85% genetic compatibility
to reproduce.
To reproduce.
That's nearly one in a million
that's nearly one in a million
human females.
Human females.
It could be worse.
It could be worse.
It could be worse.
It could be worse.
It could be undetermined.
It could be undetermined.
The beacon will be lit
the beacon will be lit
soon enough and then
soon enough and then
you can return home a hero.
You can return home a hero.

Okay.

Okay.

Was there anything else?

Yes, quick memory diagnostic.

Does this key open anything?

Does this key open anything?

I have no relevant data.

I have no relevant data.

Just checking is all.

Just checking is all.

Then you should

then you should

power down and limit

power down and limit

the risk of detection.

The risk of detection.

Okay.

Okay.

May the gods keep you safe,

may the gods keep you safe,

my son.

My son.

Oh, and happy birthday.

Oh, and happy birthday.

Thank you.

Thank you.

oh, don't worry, ham.

Oh, don't worry, ham.

We'll get to go home some day.

We'll get to go home some day.

You're late.

Sorry dave.

My car broke down 'cause of

my car broke down 'cause of

the cold and everything.

The cold and everything.

Oh, that's terrible.

Oh, that's terrible.

Would you like to see

my impression of someone

who cares?

Who cares?

It's not very good.

I should be back before closing.

You're leaving?

You're leaving?

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

Remember, no credit, no cheques.

Remember, no credit, no cheques.

If mr. fealon calls,
just telling I'm dealing
with a customer.

With a customer.

And stop letting
the homeless people
use the toilet.

Use the toilet.

But...

But...

You'll be okay, joe.

You'll be okay, joe.

I'll see you later.

I'll see you later.

Ah!

The lost son of zalaxon.

The lost son of zalaxon.

The only hope for our universe
the only hope for our universe
on the brink of destruction.

On the brink of destruction.

Ah!

Ah!

Ha!

Ha!

Ha!

Ha!

Hi.

Hi.

Ah!

Ah!

Hi.

Hi.

Are you open?

Are you open?

Uh, yeah.

Good 'cause I want to
sell these.
You sell vintage toys, right?
I'll give you all of this
I'll give you all of this
for 100.
Sorry, I'm not sure
I can do this.
I can do this.
75 then.
75 then.
That's my final offer.
That's my final offer.
Okay, 60.
Okay, 60.
No, I don't think that we
no, I don't think that we
sell this kind of thing.
Sell this kind of thing.
Why not?
Why not?
These are classic toys.
These are classic toys.
I spent my youth
I spent my youth
collecting these.
Collecting these.
Really?
Really?
But you're a...
Girls can like sci-fi too,
you know.
You know.
Look, an original commander
look, an original commander
adama.
Actually, when people come in
looking for adama,
looking for adama,
they usually mean
they usually mean
edward james olmos not
edward james olmos not
lorne green.

Lorne green.

Well, there's no

well, there's no

accounting for taste.

Accounting for taste.

I know.

I know.

The old battlestar was just

the old battlestar was just

more fun, wasn't it?

More fun, wasn't it?

Yeah, the new one

yeah, the new one

is so bold faced.

And it's not as realistic

as people think either.

As people think either.

You know, in a dramatic sense.

You know, in a dramatic sense.

Look, the thing is I finally

look, the thing is I finally

got a nursing job after

got a nursing job after

nine months but I don't get paid

nine months but I don't get paid

until the end of the week

until the end of the week

and if I don't find

and if I don't find

the rent money by five p.M,

the landlord is just gonna

throw me out, so...

I didn't actually mean

to put this one in there.

To put this one in there.

You know what?

You know what?

Keep it.

You sure you want to

part with all this?

Part with all this?

Time to put

time to put

childish things away.

Childish things away.
Or sell them.
You know what?
There are some definite
there are some definite
collectibles in there.
Really?
Yeah.
Yeah.
Was it 100, did you say?
Was it 100, did you say?
Um, no.
Um, no.
Actually, 60.
Actually, 60.
Uh, well come on.
Uh, well come on.
Vintage lorne green?
Vintage lorne green?
There's 100, right here.
There's 100, right here.
Thank you.
Thank you.
All right.
Well, I better go then.
Okay.
Okay.
See you.
See you.
See you.
See you.
wait!
Wait!
Wait!
Wait!
Excuse me!
Excuse me!
Wait!
You okay?
Will you go out with me?
What?
We could go to a movie maybe?
We could go to a movie maybe?
Or we could just go for a drink.

Or we could just go for a drink.

People do that, yeah.

People do that, yeah.

I'm really sorry.

I'm really sorry.

Excuse me.

Excuse me.

Why?

Why?

Why not?

You're not really
supposed to ask that.

Supposed to ask that.

Really?

Really?

Yeah.

Yeah.

It's not exactly the done thing
it's not exactly the done thing
when you're asking
when you're asking
someone out.

Okay.

How should I have done it?

You're not really
supposed to ask that either.

Sorry.

I've never actually
I've never actually
asked anyone out before.

Asked anyone out before.

If I didn't do it right,
I'd just like to know
where I went wrong because,
where I went wrong because,
well, I don't think
well, I don't think

I'm ever gonna meet anyone
I'm ever gonna meet anyone
like you ever again.

Like you ever again.

But, if I did,

but, if I did,

I wouldn't want to

I wouldn't want to
ruin my chances again.
Ruin my chances again.
That's really sweet
that's really sweet
in a potential serial killer
in a potential serial killer
kind of way.
Kind of way.
Look, you seem really nice,
look, you seem really nice,
it's just I just got out of a
it's just I just got out of a
really messed up relationship.
Really messed up relationship.
He's actually my
he's actually my
psychology lecturer
psychology lecturer
and he's the one that got me
and he's the one that got me
the job at the hospital
the job at the hospital
and I still see him every day.
And I still see him every day.
Quasar.
Quasar.
Do you ever play quasar?
Do you ever play quasar?
You know, with the guns.
so, you play this a lot then?
So, you play this a lot then?
Not for a while.
Not for a while.
I'm a little bit rusty.
I'm a little bit rusty.
Ah!
Ah!
That would explain it.
That would explain it.
Oh look, it's orion.
Can you see it?
Can you see it?
It's the one with three stars

it's the one with three stars
in a row just there.
In a row just there.
Yeah, I know.
Yeah, I know.
Oh.
Oh.
Me and my dad
me and my dad
used to be real star gazers.
Used to be real star gazers.
Used to be?
Used to be?
Well, I kind of
well, I kind of
stopped looking when he died.
Stopped looking when he died.
Oh, I'm sorry.
Oh, I'm sorry.
I didn't mean to upset you.
I didn't mean to upset you.
No, it's fine.
No, 'cause I know that
speaking about death
speaking about death
makes people sad.
Well, yeah.
Yeah.
Yeah.
Yeah.
I was always
looking at the stars
looking at the stars
when I was young
when I was young
because I couldn't really
because I couldn't really
go out during the day.
Go out during the day.
I used to get these really bad
I used to get these really bad
blisters from the sun.
Blisters from the sun.
I got better though.

I got better though.

I adapted.

I adapted.

Don't you get

don't you get

rickets from that?

Rickets from that?

Yeah.

But then I just used to

drink milk with vitamin d in it,

drink milk with vitamin d in it,

and then I found out I had

and then I found out I had

a lactose intolerance, so...

A lactose intolerance, so...

Oh.

Oh.

Yeah.

Yeah.

What else are you allergic to?

What else are you allergic to?

Nothing much.

Nothing much.

Just peanuts, and eggs.

Just peanuts, and eggs.

Mm hmm.

Mm hmm.

Bee stings, shellfish,

bee stings, shellfish,

wheat, soy, latex.

How you discovered

the latex allergy.

Should you be eating that then?

I shouldn't, no.

I shouldn't, no.

No.

No.

Okay.

Okay.

It's too cold anyway.

It's too cold anyway.

Yeah, isn't it?

Yeah, isn't it?

well, joe, that was

well, joe, that was
one of the more unusual dates
one of the more unusual dates
I've been on.
I've been on.
I had fun though.
I had fun though.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Well, that's good.
Well, that's good.
Just so you know,
just so you know,
most of my dates
most of my dates
are much more normal than this.
Are much more normal than this.
Look, you're a really
sweet guy.
Sweet guy.
And it's not that I don't,
and it's not that I don't,
it's just...This probably
it's just...This probably
can't go anywhere, and...
Can't go anywhere, and...
And it wouldn't be fair
and it wouldn't be fair
to lead you on.
To lead you on.
Okay.
Maybe I'll call in some time
and see how much the she-ra
and see how much the she-ra
is selling for.
Can I ask you a question?
Mm hmm.
Mm hmm.
Was it worth it,
was it worth it,
selling all of your toys
selling all of your toys
to hold onto your flat?
It's a really nice flat.

It was the responsible thing
to do, so...
You still have most of them,
don't you?
Don't you?
I mean, you haven't sold
I mean, you haven't sold
all of it, have you?
All of it, have you?
Wait here a second.
Wait here a second.
I thought you might not
I thought you might not
want to go through with it.
I didn't sell them.
I kept them.
Father.
I think I've found her.
and so my
And so my
ultimate mission began.
my relationship
my relationship
with the earth female, maria,
with the earth female, maria,
progressed well
progressed well
when after extensive research,
when after extensive research,
I impressed her
I impressed her
with my vast knowledge
with my vast knowledge
of human courting rituals.
Of human courting rituals.
What?
What?
do you see your dad
do you see your dad
a lot then?
A lot then?
not in person though.
Not in person though.
On skype?

On skype?

Yeah, that sort of thing.

- Yeah, that sort of thing.

- For the first

For the first

time, I experienced

time, I experienced

how earthlings co-existed

how earthlings co-existed

within conventional

within conventional

human relationships.

Human relationships.

No fish.

No fish.

No dairy.

No dairy.

No wheat.

No wheat.

No soya.

No soya.

And no latex.

- And no latex.

- It was good.

It was good.

Oh no.

Oh no.

I don't eat rice.

I don't eat rice.

The courting phase

the courting phase

of human relations is expensive.

Of human relations is expensive.

You need lots of

you need lots of

what they call money.

What they call money.

And to get money,

and to get money,

you need what they call a job.

You need what they call a job.

It's like slavery, I suppose,

it's like slavery, I suppose,

except you can get fired.

Humans have a saying.
Honesty is the best policy.
Honesty is the best policy.
But my studies show
but my studies show
that the way to succeed
that the way to succeed
in their society
in their society
is to tell your superiors
is to tell your superiors
exactly what they want to hear.
Exactly what they want to hear.
Well joe.
Well joe.
With all your
with all your
computer experience,
computer experience,
I think we'll have you running
I think we'll have you running
the daily metrics report
the daily metrics report
on paradite on cross reference
on paradite on cross reference
with all the subsiduent systems
with all the subsiduent systems
across the global platform,
across the global platform,
and then use those to calculate
and then use those to calculate
the disbursements
the disbursements
for each subdivision.
For each subdivision.
You can handle that?
Yes.
I can't believe your flatmate
just vanished like that,
just vanished like that,
that's really weird.
That's really weird.
I know, I just came back
I know, I just came back

one day and all our stuff
one day and all our stuff
was gone.

Was gone.

So, this is my bedroom.

So, this is my bedroom.

Is it all right

is it all right

to put my stuff in here?

To put my stuff in here?

Um, no, you're in here,

um, no, you're in here,

with me.

With me.

after only

After only

two months of courting,

two months of courting,

maria and I were cohabiting.

Maria and I were cohabiting.

oh.

Oh.

That was...That was nice.

I was finally

able to apply

able to apply

techniques I've been

techniques I've been

practicing for years.

The problem is,

I really liked it.

Yeah, I just think

it's a shame

it's a shame

that more films aren't made

that more films aren't made

that represent aliens

that represent aliens

in a positive light.

In a positive light.

That's all.

Sometimes

I almost wish it could have

I almost wish it could have

stayed like that between us.
Stayed like that between us.
But, as with all things
but, as with all things
in this world,
in this world,
nothing can last forever.
Nothing can last forever.
bye ham.
Bye ham.
it's all right.
It's all right.
It's okay.
It's okay.
We'll just buy
we'll just buy
another one or something.
Another one or something.
joe, are you awake?
Joe, are you awake?
Mm.
I haven't spoken to my mom
since my dad's funeral.
Since my dad's funeral.
10 years now.
10 years now.
He wasn't driving the car
he wasn't driving the car
when he died,
when he died,
it was another woman
it was another woman
he was having an affair with.
He was having an affair with.
Mom knew.
They decided to stay together
for the sake of me
for the sake of me
and my sister, liz.
And my sister, liz.
I thought we were one big
I thought we were one big
happy family.
Happy family.

It was all a fantasy.
This is real, right?
You and me?
It's real.
Under no circumstances
can you reveal your identity.
Can you reveal your identity.
If you are discovered,
if you are discovered,
you will be killed.
You will be killed.
But she's having doubts
but she's having doubts
about the relationship.
About the relationship.
And if I don't tell her,
and if I don't tell her,
I think I might lose her.
I think I might lose her.
But if she knew how important
but if she knew how important
a role she was playing
a role she was playing
in the whole thing--
in the whole thing--
the risk is unacceptable.
The risk is unacceptable.
The wormhole will reopen
the wormhole will reopen
in a few days time,
in a few days time,
the beacon will be lit,
the beacon will be lit,
and you will send for rescue.
And you will send for rescue.
But what about maria?
But what about maria?
She may not survive on zalaxon.
She may not survive on zalaxon.
You would have to
you would have to
leave her behind, joe.
Hey.
Hey.

Hey.

Have you sent me

have you sent me

the orchus file yet?

The orchus file yet?

Oh yeah.

Oh yeah.

Sorry phil.

Sorry phil.

I'll do it now.

Are you okay?

You seem a bit more

you seem a bit more

spaced out than usual.

Spaced out than usual.

Yeah?

Yeah?

I'm just...Phil.

There's this thing

with my girlfriend.

With my girlfriend.

There's something

there's something

that I need to tell her

'cause I've been keeping

a secret from her.

A secret from her.

Well, whatever it is,

well, whatever it is,

in my experience,

in my experience,

this shit always comes out

this shit always comes out

eventually.

Eventually.

Better off getting it over with.

Better off getting it over with.

If the relationship survives,

if the relationship survives,

then you know

then you know

it's the real deal.

It's the real deal.

Take me and my missus

take me and my missus

for example.

For example.

When times got tough for us,

when times got tough for us,

bitch ran for the hills.

Oh, so sorry.

Sorry, but thanks phil.

Sorry, but thanks phil.

No problem.

Sorry about the bitch.

Yeah.

shit.

I think joe's

going to propose.

Going to propose.

What are you going to say?

What are you going to say?

Well, I can't say yes.

Well, I can't say yes.

Why not?

Why not?

'Cause we're too young,

'cause we're too young,

for starters.

For starters.

Mom and dad were 23.

There's so much we don't

know about each other.

Know about each other.

He never talks about himself,

he never talks about himself,

you know.

You know.

It's all about me.

It's all about me.

Oh, dump him.

Oh, dump him.

Dump him fast.

Dump him fast.

Shut up.

Shut up.

Joe just sees things

joe just sees things

in a really simplistic way.
We're just not
living in the same world.
Living in the same world.
Right.
Right.
He's not living in reality.
He's not living in reality.
And you'd be better off
and you'd be better off
with someone like dr. richard
with someone like dr. richard
with his "love is a delusion"
with his "love is a delusion"
bullshit?
Bullshit?
It only takes two people
it only takes two people
to form a consensus on reality.
To form a consensus on reality.
Sounds like it's real to joe.
Sounds like it's real to joe.
So the question is,
so the question is,
is it real to you?
Joe?
Are you here?
Are you here?
hi.
Hi.
Hi.
Hi.
This is new.
This is new.
Oh yes.
Oh yes.
Yeah.
Yeah.
I just bought it.
And it saves me having to
break into the observatory,
break into the observatory,
which is good.
Which is good.

Okay.

Okay.

Mm hmm.

Mm hmm.

I've been thinking about us.

I've been thinking about us.

Why?

Why?

I mean, we're fine

I mean, we're fine

exactly the way we are.

Exactly the way we are.

Yeah, I know.

Yeah, I know.

But I think that you

but I think that you

deserve to know what our

deserve to know what our

relationship means.

Relationship means.

Mm hmm.

Mm hmm.

And I know that I'm never

and I know that I'm never

going to be this lucky again,

going to be this lucky again,

which is why I want to

which is why I want to

show you something.

Show you something.

I've made some

I've made some

modifications to it.

I get it.

What?

What?

I'm gonna look through

i'm gonna look through

the telescope and I'm going to

the telescope and I'm going to

see something sparkly.

See something sparkly.

Oh yeah.

Oh yeah.

That's nice.

That's nice.

I mean, that's a really

I mean, that's a really

nice idea, it's just, you know,

nice idea, it's just, you know,

once I see it,

once I see it,

it's out there and you can't

it's out there and you can't

take it back.

Take it back.

And maybe you'll wish you could.

And maybe you'll wish you could.

I mean, seriously, truthfully,

I mean, seriously, truthfully,

do you really want me to see

do you really want me to see

because maybe

because maybe

you just think you do.

You just think you do.

No.

No.

I know I do.

I know I do.

Maria, I've thought about this

maria, I've thought about this

a lot and I'm sure.

A lot and I'm sure.

Okay.

Okay.

Okay.

Okay.

Okay.

Okay.

So it has to be okay.

So it has to be okay.

So.

So.

it's just stars.

It's just stars.

What were you expecting?

What were you expecting?

Oh, nothing.
Oh, nothing.
Forget it.
Forget it.
There is a star out there.
There is a star out there.
It's the reddish one.
It's the reddish one.
The light coming from it
the light coming from it
is millions of years old.
Is millions of years old.
Sometimes a wormhole opens up
sometimes a wormhole opens up
and you get like
and you get like
a live broadcast.
A live broadcast.
A wormhole?
A wormhole?
Yeah.
Yeah.
That red star.
That red star.
There are 12 planets
there are 12 planets
in orbit around it.
In orbit around it.
And the fifth of those planets
and the fifth of those planets
is called zalaxon.
Is called zalaxon.
Joe, what are you
joe, what are you
talking about?
Talking about?
Maria, I want you to know
maria, I want you to know
the truth about me.
The truth about me.
About where I came from.
About where I came from.
I just assumed you're english.
I just assumed you're english.

Maria, I...I'm an alien.
Well, do you mean you
don't have a proper work visa?
Don't have a proper work visa?
God joe, you don't need one.
God joe, you don't need one.
No, maria, I'm an alien.
No, maria, I'm an alien.
From another planet.
From another planet.
You're an alien
you're an alien
from another planet.
From another planet.
Yes.
Yes.
Joe, practical jokes are
joe, practical jokes are
a delicate art form
a delicate art form
and you should probably
and you should probably
just stay well away from them.
Just stay well away from them.
No, maria.
No, maria.
This isn't a joke.
This isn't a joke.
My father and I came to earth
my father and I came to earth
to escape genocide.
To escape genocide.
I am the last natural born
I am the last natural born
zalaxian and you are the only
zalaxian and you are the only
genetically compatible human
genetically compatible human
that I've been able to find.
That I've been able to find.
Maria, you are my only hope
maria, you are my only hope
to continue my line of people.
To continue my line of people.

Oh god.
Oh god.
You're serious?
You're serious?
Yes.
Yes.
get back!
Get back!
What are you doing?
What are you doing?
Stay away from me!
Okay, you be careful
with that.
With that.
It's very delicate.
It's very delicate.
I said, get back!
I said, get back!
What's wrong with you?
What's wrong with you?
What's wrong with me.
What's wrong with me.
Hmm.
Hmm.
You're the one
you're the one
that's a fricken alien.
That's a fricken alien.
Shh.
Don't say that too loud.
Oh my god.
Oh my god.
Oh my god.
Oh my god.
This all makes perfect sense.
This all makes perfect sense.
The weirdness.
The weirdness.
The obsession
the obsession
with science fiction.
With science fiction.
Battlestar galactica
battlestar galactica

isn't realistic.
Isn't realistic.
You're insane.
You're insane.
Maybe we should
maybe we should
talk about this inside.
Talk about this inside.
I'm actually what?
I'm actually what?
The host for your alien seed.
The host for your alien seed.
You probably want me to
you probably want me to
come to your home planet too,
come to your home planet too,
right?
Right?
And all I have to do
and all I have to do
is drink the kool-aid.
Is drink the kool-aid.
I know this is pretty
I know this is pretty
mind blowing.
Yeah, it's mind blowing
all right.
All right.
But I can prove it.
But I can prove it.
Yeah?
Yeah?
How?
How?
My father invented
my father invented
a holographic database
a holographic database
onto this cine 8 film.
Onto this cine 8 film.
It's powered by
it's powered by
an energy crystal
an energy crystal

just behind the lens.
Just behind the lens.
Of course.
Of course.
Now, there are some glitches
now, there are some glitches
like memory gaps,
like memory gaps,
but you can ask him
but you can ask him
pretty much anything you like.
Pretty much anything you like.
father, please state
father, please state
the nature
the nature
of the holographic database.
And please state the origins
of the child named jace.
Of the child named jace.
see?
It's just a home movie.
No, it's a hologram.
No, it's a hologram.
Right there.
You can at least
hear it though, right?
Hear it though, right?
I have to go.
I have to go.
It's...Look.
Maybe it's something encrypted
into my sensory frequency,
into my sensory frequency,
you know.
You know.
You should try my glasses.
You should try my glasses.
What are you doing?
What are you doing?
I'm going to my sister's.
I'm going to my sister's.
Oh no.
Oh no.

Maria, don't go.
Maria, don't go.
I have to go.
I have to go.
I can't stay here.
I can't stay here.
I can't deal with this.
I can't deal with this.
I'm sorry.
I'm sorry.
Okay, I can see
okay, I can see
that I made a terrible mistake
that I made a terrible mistake
in telling you
in telling you
and I didn't want it
and I didn't want it
to come to this,
to come to this,
but you've left me no choice.
But you've left me no choice.
Oh god.
Oh god.
You're not gonna kill me,
you're not gonna kill me,
are you?
Are you?
What?
What?
No.
No.
But, I am going to
but, I am going to
wipe your memory though.
Wipe your memory though.
With a camera flash?
With a camera flash?
Oh no,
this isn't a camera flash.
It's a memory wiper.
It's a memory wiper.
It's just disguised
it's just disguised

as a camera flash.
As a camera flash.
You know, joe,
you know, joe,
just don't, okay?
Just don't, okay?
Now, this isn't gonna hurt
now, this isn't gonna hurt
but you might feel
but you might feel
a little bit disorientated
a little bit disorientated
afterwards.
Afterwards.
Yeah, seriously?
Yeah, seriously?
I'm not playing along.
I'm not playing along.
It'll be fine.
It'll be fine.
Joe, I'm warning you.
Joe, I'm warning you.
Just don't.
Just don't.
Hiya.
Hiya.
Did you just get in?
Did you just get in?
You seem a little bit
you seem a little bit
disorientated.
Have you been drinking maybe
or something?
Or something?
You're not only crazy.
You're not only crazy.
You're also an idiot!
Pardon?
Get out of my way.
Get out of my way.
Wait.
Wait.
Wait.
Wait.

Wait.
Wait.
Maria, don't go.
No, just wait.
Maria!
Maria!
What the hell is wrong?
Father, she couldn't see you.
Wha...Dad?
Wha...Dad?
Where...
Father.
Father.
She couldn't see you
she couldn't see you
and the flasher
and the flasher
didn't work either.
Didn't work either.
Adapting our technology
adapting our technology
to their local power sources
to their local power sources
can be difficult.
Can be difficult.
Yeah, maybe, but...
Vera ellis, 186 meadow lawns.
Who's that?
Who's that?
I have no relevant data.
I have to get her back, father.
I have to make her believe.
He's insane.
Oh.
Oh.
Come in.
Come in.
don't worry.
Don't worry.
I'll call you.
What am I gonna do?
As much as I hate to
as much as I hate to
lean towards

lean towards
conventional wisdom,
conventional wisdom,
I think joe
I think joe
needs professional help.
Needs professional help.
No.
No.
They'd lock him away.
They'd lock him away.
What about richard?
What about richard?
He'd do anything you say.
He'd do anything you say.
No.
No.
His methods are brutal.
I thought he was gonna
ask me to marry him.
Ask me to marry him.
Lucky you were
lucky you were
going to say no.
Going to say no.
hi.
Hi.
It's me again.
It's me again.
Please, please, please,
just give me the chance
to explain it all to you.
To explain it all to you.
I know it's a lot to understand
I know it's a lot to understand
and to take on
and to take on
because it's a very
because it's a very
complicated process,
complicated process,
but if I see you,
but if I see you,
I'll talk over the figures

I'll talk over the figures
then in person.
Then in person.
That's probably...Okay.
That's probably...Okay.
Thanks...Okay.
Thanks...Okay.
Thank you bye.
Morning joe.
Morning joe.
Morning sir.
Morning sir.
Joe, at anaxotech
joe, at anaxotech
we're a family.
We're a family.
You don't have to call me sir.
You don't have to call me sir.
Morning gordon.
Morning gordon.
mr. jennings is fine.
mr. jennings is fine.
Listen, there's some people
listen, there's some people
here from company hq
here from company hq
and they'd like to
and they'd like to
have a few words with you,
have a few words with you,
if you've got the time.
If you've got the time.
Yeah, do I have the time?
Yeah, do I have the time?
Yes, yes you do, joe.
Yes, yes you do, joe.
Ah!
Ah!
Here they are now.
Here they are now.
mr. norman,
mr. norman,
it says here you've had
it says here you've had

nine jobs in four years.
Nine jobs in four years.
You seem to have had a lot.
You seem to have had a lot.
Are you chasing something?
Are you chasing something?
Or is something chasing you?
Or is something chasing you?
in your appraisal
in your appraisal
you rated yourself average.
You rated yourself average.
You're not so sure that you're
you're not so sure that you're
as average as you say you are.
As average as you say you are.

No.

No.

I think there's more to you
I think there's more to you
than meets the eye.

Than meets the eye.

Tell me, joe.

Tell me, joe.

Do you see this as somewhere
do you see this as somewhere
that you belong?

That you belong?

Or do you see yourself
or do you see yourself
as someone with a higher
as someone with a higher
purpose?

Purpose?

Simply passing time
simply passing time
in this mundane world, waiting,
in this mundane world, waiting,
waiting for some greater
waiting for some greater
destiny?

I don't know what you mean.

You don't believe you're
you don't believe you're

meant for bigger things, joe?
Meant for bigger things, joe?
More important,
more important,
more vital things?
More vital things?
Haven't you been waiting
haven't you been waiting
for the day when someone,
for the day when someone,
somewhere, would see you
somewhere, would see you
for what you really are?
Maybe I have.
Or maybe,
or maybe,
maybe that day is today?
So what do we do now?
We found you, joe.
We found you, joe.
The next move is yours.
The next move is yours.
Sorry to interrupt, gentlemen.
Sorry to interrupt, gentlemen.
The conference call
the conference call
with new york has started.
We'll continue this later,
joe.
Joe.
Don't go anywhere.
Don't go anywhere.
I just don't believe in this
I just don't believe in this
blanket policy of medicating
blanket policy of medicating
every single patient,
every single patient,
you know.
You know.
Yeah, I know.
Yeah, I know.
I'll see you later.
I'll see you later.

See 'ya.

See 'ya.

it's me.

It's me.

It's me.

It's me.

It's me.

It's all right.

Joe!

Joe!

What the hell are you doing?

What the hell are you doing?

Have you lost your mind?

Have you lost your mind?

Don't answer that.

Don't answer that.

Maria, you have to believe me.

Maria, you have to believe me.

I am who I say I am.

I am who I say I am.

I promise you.

I promise you.

Joe, you need

joe, you need

professional help.

Professional help.

You're delusional.

You're delusional.

You watch movies

you watch movies

about aliens all the time.

About aliens all the time.

Why is it so hard to believe

why is it so hard to believe

that you can actually

that you can actually

meet one?

Meet one?

Because it just is!

Because it just is!

Please, I can't be part

please, I can't be part

of your fantasy.

Of your fantasy.

They found me.
They found me.
Who?
Who?
The bounty hunters.
The bounty hunters.
I think I gave them the slip
I think I gave them the slip
but I'm going to leave
but I'm going to leave
the country now
the country now
and I want you to come with me.
And I want you to come with me.
You're leaving the country.
You're leaving the country.
I'm not going to
i'm not going to
leave without you.
Leave without you.
Okay, well then
okay, well then
I have no choice.
Well, that's brilliant.
Meet me in an hour?
Meet me in an hour?
South wing, room 212.
South wing, room 212.
Okay?
Okay?
Room 212.
Room 212.
Okay.
Okay.
Okay.
Okay.
Maria, thank you.
Maria, thank you.
Thank you for
thank you for
believing me.
Believing me.
hi.
Hi.

Are you ready?
Are you ready?
Come on.
Come on.
Let's go.
Let's go.
Hello joe.
Hello joe.
My name is dr. richard webb.
I'm a psychiatrist.
I'm a psychiatrist.
Well, dr. richard,
well, dr. richard,
it's very nice to meet you but,
it's very nice to meet you but,
if you'll excuse us...
If you'll excuse us...
Maria and I really need to go.
Is it because of
the bounty hunters?
The bounty hunters?
I had no choice.
Well, this is embarrassing.
Well, this is embarrassing.
Okay, you were right about me,
okay, you were right about me,
maria.
Maria.
I really shouldn't
I really shouldn't
play practical jokes.
Play practical jokes.
I always take them too far.
I always take them too far.
Obviously, I don't think
obviously, I don't think
I'm an alien.
I'm an alien.
I'm really sorry
I'm really sorry
about the confusion.
Joe, if you leave this room,
I'll have security
I'll have security

waiting for you at every exit.
Waiting for you at every exit.
And I'll have you sectioned
and I'll have you sectioned
for one-week assessment,
for one-week assessment,
where you'd be a sitting duck
where you'd be a sitting duck
for those bounty hunters.
What do you want?
I just want to talk.
A few questions
a few questions
and then I'll let you go.
Oh, I hope you don't mind
but maria got some stuff
but maria got some stuff
from your car for me.
From your car for me.
I enjoyed your comic book.
I enjoyed your comic book.
Very informative.
Very informative.
And this, I presume,
and this, I presume,
is a ray gun,
is a ray gun,
although it looks
although it looks
curiously like a toy;
curiously like a toy;
Very dangerous.
Very dangerous.
It's in safe mode.
It's in safe mode.
And here we have
and here we have
the memory wiper,
the memory wiper,
which we know doesn't work.
Which we know doesn't work.
It won't configure
it won't configure
to local power sources.

To local power sources.
And this I wasn't sure about.
And this I wasn't sure about.
And then remembered
and then remembered
an old toy I'd had as a boy.
Is this a truth ray, joe?
Is this a truth ray, joe?
Yes.
Yes.
Damn it!
Damn it!
Good.
Good.
Take a seat.
So, when exactly did you
discover the truth because
discover the truth because
it's not clear from your comic.
It's not clear from your comic.
You know, I like the way that
you know, I like the way that
this has different settings.
This has different settings.
I suppose that's for
I suppose that's for
when people resist.
When people resist.
my father told me!
My father told me!
In a hologram?
In a hologram?
No, before he died.
No, before he died.
What age were you
what age were you
when he died, joe?
When he died, joe?
That's very young to be
that's very young to be
all alone in this world, joe.
All alone in this world, joe.
It must have been difficult.
It must have been difficult.

But then, knowing your life
but then, knowing your life
has meaning makes all the pain
has meaning makes all the pain
and hardship bearable,
and hardship bearable,
doesn't it?

Doesn't it?

Maybe.

Maybe.

And how does maria
and how does maria
fit into all this?
Fit into all this?
she's a contingency
she's a contingency
in case the rebellion
in case the rebellion
doesn't succeed and I need to
doesn't succeed and I need to
continue my line of people
continue my line of people
on earth.

You weren't

just feeling lonely.

I'll tell you what I think, joe.

I think your father knew

I think your father knew

what life was going to

what life was going to

be like for you

be like for you

and he decided that maybe

and he decided that maybe

you'd be better off

you'd be better off

believing those stories

believing those stories

he told you were real.

He told you were real.

That is not true.

That is not true.

Well, other than his word,

well, other than his word,

what proof have you got?
What proof have you got?
The hologram?
The hologram?
Maria didn't see it.
Maria didn't see it.
The hologram is real.
The hologram is real.
Maybe some people
maybe some people
just have trouble seeing it.
And was there ever a time
when you couldn't see it?
When you couldn't see it?
Even for a moment?
No.
No?
No?
You're sure, joe?
You're sure, joe?
Because if you just lied to me,
because if you just lied to me,
then this truth ray
then this truth ray
may just be a toy.
May just be a toy.
And the hologram
and the hologram
might just be a hallucination.
And everything that you've
chosen to believe
chosen to believe
may just be a fantasy, right?
May just be a fantasy, right?
Right?
Right?
That's enough.
That's enough.
It is not a fantasy.
It is not a fantasy.
I am the last son of zalaxon.
I am the last son of zalaxon.
Zalaxon.
Zalaxon.

Is that z-a-l-a-x-o-n?

Is that z-a-l-a-x-o-n?

Okay, now that I've answered

okay, now that I've answered

your questions can we please

your questions can we please

just go can we please?

Just go can we please?

Tell me, joe.

Tell me, joe.

When your father died,

when your father died,

did you get

did you get

all his personal effects?

All his personal effects?

Why?

Well, he might have left you

the proof you need.

The proof you need.

No, I got them all.

No, I got them all.

Could there be any elsewhere?

Maybe.

I'll make a deal with you, joe.

I'll make a deal with you, joe.

You find these things,

you find these things,

prove your father's an alien,

prove your father's an alien,

and I'll convince maria to leave

and I'll convince maria to leave

the country with you today.

The country with you today.

What?

What?

What the hell are you doing?

What the hell are you doing?

Well, you asked me for help

well, you asked me for help

and this is help.

And this is help.

What was all that

what was all that

about his father's stuff?
About his father's stuff?
What do you know?
I'll do it.
Only if maria will agree
only if maria will agree
to come with me.
Where exactly are we going?
It's an address on the side
it's an address on the side
of the can of film.
Of the can of film.
A woman named vera ellis.
A woman named vera ellis.
I think she might
I think she might
be able to help us.
Be able to help us.
After 400 metres, turn right.
After 400 metres, turn right.
So, webb was your psychology
so, webb was your psychology
lecturer, and your ex-boyfriend.
Why didn't you tell me
about your father?
So, orphanages, foster homes?
Never for very long.
I can't imagine
how hard that must have been.
I suppose you believed
whatever you needed to.
Whatever you needed to.
is that black jeep
is that black jeep
following us?
God, I think it might be
the bounty hunters.
Don't look 'round.
Don't look 'round.
Don't look 'round.
Joe, for god's sake.
Joe!
Joe!
Nobody's following us!

Nobody's following us!
I think we lost him it's okay.
I think we lost him it's okay.
Nobody is following us.
The bounty hunters
are not tracking us.
Are not tracking us.
You are not on a mission.
You are not on a mission.
And you are not an alien!
To believe in anything
you can't prove.
You can't prove.
Oh, for god's sake!
Oh, for god's sake!
It's true.
It's true.
Ever since your father died,
ever since your father died,
you think it's easier
you think it's easier
to believe in nothing
to believe in nothing
so that way you can never
so that way you can never
be proved wrong.
Be proved wrong.
At the next junction,
at the next junction,
turn left.
Turn left.
Would you
would you
turn that thing off?
Turn that thing off?
I need it.
I suppose it's some sort of
alien tracking device.
Alien tracking device.
Um, no.
Um, no.
It's a sat-nav.
Hello.
We're sorry to bother you.

We're sorry to bother you.
We're looking for
we're looking for
a miss vera ellis.
A miss vera ellis.
What do you want?
What do you want?
Did you know a bill norman?
Did you know a bill norman?
Did he live here?
joe?
Thank you.
Billy and joe.
They lived here
they lived here
for about a year
for about a year
after moira died.
After moira died.
Joe's mother.
What exactly is it
you're looking for?
Well, before he died,
bill told joe some things
bill told joe some things
about his background
about his background
and we just wanted to know
and we just wanted to know
if they were true.
I learned not to look
too closely
too closely
at what bill norman told me.
At what bill norman told me.
Did he leave anything behind?
Did he leave anything behind?
Just me, dear.
And some manuscripts
and other rubbish.
And other rubbish.
Manuscripts.
Manuscripts.
He never could write

he never could write
worth a damn.
Worth a damn.
Science fiction nonsense.
Science fiction nonsense.
Told me he was
told me he was
gonna be a big seller.
There's some stuff
still in the garage.
Well, can I see them?
What did he tell you, joe?
The garage isn't locked.
Okay thanks.
I better go with him.
Look sweetheart,
look sweetheart,
bill norman left nothing
bill norman left nothing
but destruction in his wake.
But destruction in his wake.
Whatever joe is looking for,
whatever joe is looking for,
believe me, he won't like
believe me, he won't like
what he finds.
What he finds.
joe.
Joe.
Wait.
Wait.
This is what the key opens.
This is what the key opens.
Wait.
Wait.
Wait!
Wait!
What if it's not true?
What if it's not true?
What if none of it is real?
What if none of it is real?
Maybe you would be better off
maybe you would be better off
just not knowing?

Just not knowing?
But it is real.
But it is real.
And now you'll see.
And now you'll see.
Well, don't open it,
well, don't open it,
I mean, not for me.
I mean, not for me.
I want to make you
I want to make you
believe so much.
Believe so much.
So much.
So much.
And now I can show you.
And now I can show you.
dear mr. norman.
Dear mr. norman.
Thank you for submitting
thank you for submitting
your manuscript
your manuscript
the boy from the stars,
the boy from the stars,
but we regret to inform you
but we regret to inform you
that, at this time,
that, at this time,
we cannot accept it.
We cannot accept it.
joe.
Joe.
Joe, what is it?
Joe, what is it?
joe.
Oh god.
Oh.
Oh.
Joe!
Joe!
Joe!
but it's just a story.
But it's just a story.

What if it wasn't?
What if it wasn't?
What if it was true?
What if it was true?
Joe, I need to know you're
joe, I need to know you're
gonna be all right.
Gonna be all right.
where are you?
Where are you?
Talk to me.
Talk to me.
Come on, I know you're there.
Come on, I know you're there.
Talk to me.
Talk to me.
don't just leave me.
Don't just leave me.
Don't just leave me here alone.
Don't just leave me here alone.
please daddy,
please daddy,
don't leave me here on my own.
Don't leave me here on my own.
Please.
Please.
joe.
Joe.
You have one new voice
message.
Message.
New voice messages.
New voice messages.
Joe, miles gilson at
joe, miles gilson at
anaxotech head office.
Anaxotech head office.
I know we didn't get to finish
I know we didn't get to finish
our little chat earlier,
our little chat earlier,
and I could have told you
and I could have told you
that we like what we

that we like what we
see in you, joe.
Yes, we think you've got
potential.
Potential.
So we're promoting you
so we're promoting you
to senior matrix analyst,
to senior matrix analyst,
effective immediately.
Effective immediately.
Congrat--.
Congrat--.
Joe, can I come in?
Please talk to me.
Please talk to me.
I'm sorry.
I'm sorry.
I just want you to know
I just want you to know
that I'm here for you.
I'll be right here.
What are you doing?
What are you doing?
What are you doing?
I have to work.
You're not actually
going to go in, are you?
Going to go in, are you?
I've been promoted.
I've been promoted.
It's my first day
it's my first day
in my new role.
Joe, you can't carry on
like nothing's changed.
Like nothing's changed.
That's denial.
I am not in denial.
Yes you are.
Yes you are.
This.
This.
Denying that you're in denial

denying that you're in denial
is denial, joe.

Is denial, joe.

Oh, now who's starting

oh, now who's starting

to sound crazy, maria?

To sound crazy, maria?

Joe.

Joe.

Seriously maria, I'm fine.

Seriously maria, I'm fine.

I understand that my father

I understand that my father

made the whole thing up

made the whole thing up

because he thought I would be

better off

believing I really was an alien

believing I really was an alien

but obviously that's ridiculous.

But obviously that's ridiculous.

I haven't got a mission to do

I haven't got a mission to do

but I do have a job to go to.

But I do have a job to go to.

That much hasn't changed.

Joe, don't do this.

We at least have to

we at least have to

talk about it.

Talk about it.

Well, there isn't much to say.

Well, there isn't much to say.

Seriously.

Seriously.

You were right, okay?

You were right, okay?

None of it was real.

None of it was real.

I was deluded

I was deluded

and now I see things

and now I see things

the way they really are

the way they really are
just like you do.
Just like you do.
So what else
so what else
do you want me to say?
I just want to help you.
I don't want your help.
I don't want your help.
I don't need it.
I've got to go.
Morning joe.
Hello mr. jennings.
Hello mr. jennings.
Call me gordon.
Call me gordon.
Gordon.
Gordon.
Exciting new changes, huh?
Exciting new changes, huh?
It's a whole new world.
It's a whole new world.
You up to the task?
You up to the task?
Yeah.
Yeah.
Yeah.
Yeah.
I can do it.
I can do it.
Good.
Good.
You'll be taking on
you'll be taking on
phil's workload so you might
phil's workload so you might
want to put in some o.T.
Want to put in some o.T.
On this.
On this.
So by senior matrix analyst,
so by senior matrix analyst,
you actually mean
you actually mean

only matrix analyst?

Only matrix analyst?

And since you won't have phil

and since you won't have phil

to cover for you

to cover for you

if an urgent query comes in,

if an urgent query comes in,

just make sure and clear

just make sure and clear

your toilet breaks with me

your toilet breaks with me

in advance.

In advance.

Thanks.

Thanks.

So does this promotion

so does this promotion

include a pay raise?

Well, technically

you avoided a pay cut

you avoided a pay cut

by getting promoted,

by getting promoted,

so, yes, I suppose it does.

So being promoted

means no pay raise

means no pay raise

and double the workload.

And double the workload.

Welcome to the team.

Welcome to the team.

I am the team.

I am the team.

That's the spirit.

Morning joe.

What do you want?

What do you want?

Well, you're my patient now.

I'm here to assess

your mental health.

Joe, zalaxon was an

antidepressant in the mid 90s.

Antidepressant in the mid 90s.

They took it off the shelves
they took it off the shelves
after only a few months;
after only a few months;
Unacceptably high
unacceptably high
mortality rates.
Mortality rates.
I'm sorry.
You couldn't see the hologram,
could you?
You know joe, the mind
is able to create things
is able to create things
it needs that reality
it needs that reality
can't provide.
Can't provide.
You saw the hologram
you saw the hologram
because you needed to.
Because you needed to.
Until now, that is.
Until now, that is.
Well, I don't need to anymore.
Well, I don't need to anymore.
Maybe.
Maybe.
Maybe you're ready.
Maybe you're ready.
Ready for what?
Ready for what?
To finally face reality.
To finally face reality.
And maybe you think
and maybe you think
she's worth the risk.
She's worth the risk.
Hmm?
I got them to drop the charges.
I told them
I told them
you weren't really suicidal,
you weren't really suicidal,

just a cry for help.

Just a cry for help.

Hmm?

Hmm?

Oh, by the way,

oh, by the way,

the first session was a freebie

the first session was a freebie

but this one isn't.

But this one isn't.

Weren't you even going to

say goodbye?

I thought you'd try to

talk me out of it.

Where are you going?

I just need to go away.

You were right about me.

I was in denial

I was in denial

and I can't expect things

and I can't expect things

to go back to the way they were.

To go back to the way they were.

I can't pretend

I can't pretend

things can go back

things can go back

to the way they were

to the way they were

no matter how much

no matter how much

I want them to.

You were right about me too.

I am afraid

to believe in things.

But I was wrong.

I'm so sorry

for what I took from you.

For what I took from you.

I didn't know what I was doing.

I didn't know what I was doing.

But you had no choice

but you had no choice

because none of it was real.

Because none of it was real.
You were real.
You were real.
That strength to keep fighting.
That strength to keep fighting.
That was real.
That was real.
It doesn't matter
it doesn't matter
where it came from.
Where it came from.
You don't have to go.
Maybe I'm delusional
but I still think
but I still think
we can make this work.
I mean, your feelings for me
were real, right?
Were real, right?
I wasn't just
I wasn't just
part of the mission, was I?
Part of the mission, was I?
this must have been
this must have been
my mom's engagement ring.
My mom's engagement ring.
Until two days ago
until two days ago
I thought it was
I thought it was
a zalaxian energy crystal.
A zalaxian energy crystal.
you deserve something
you deserve something
more than this.
More than this.
You deserve something real.
You deserve something real.
And I don't know what that is.
And I don't know what that is.
No.
No.
Don't go.

Don't go.
Just stay for one more night.
Just stay for one more night.
Let's just pretend
let's just pretend
just for one more night.
Just for one more night.
Now on sci-fi classics,
back to space commander.
Back to space commander.
Hello there, jimmy.
Hello there, jimmy.
Space commander.
Space commander.
What brings you down
what brings you down
to this part of the ship?
Well, I heard there was
a young recruit
a young recruit
who was skipping out.
Who was skipping out.
Well, there's no good reason
well, there's no good reason
for me to stick around here
for me to stick around here
anymore.
So you're just going to
leave her?
Leave her?
She needs you, jimmy.
She needs you, jimmy.
I'll never be like you, sc.
I'll never be like you, sc.
I'll never be a hero.
I'll never be a hero.
There are all kinds
there are all kinds
of heroes, jimmy.
Of heroes, jimmy.
And they don't all
and they don't all
get to wear medals.
Get to wear medals.

That's how it was for my daddy.
That's how it was for my daddy.
He always wanted to be a pilot
he always wanted to be a pilot
but he couldn't see too good
but he couldn't see too good
so he spent his whole life
so he spent his whole life
working as a cleaner.
Working as a cleaner.
Never got the chance to fly.
Never got the chance to fly.
But he stuck it out
but he stuck it out
in the hope that some day
in the hope that some day
his son might get the chance
his son might get the chance
to do something
to do something
that he never could.
That he never could.
He's the real hero, jimmy.
He's the real hero, jimmy.
And that's the kind of hero
and that's the kind of hero
she needs.
She needs.
Maybe you're right.
Maybe you're right.
She is a fine ship.
She is a fine ship.
I'll stay.
I'll stay.
Good for you, jimmy.
Good for you, jimmy.
my son, I hope you are well.
My son, I hope you are well.
Please ask me your questions.
Please ask me your questions.
Holy shit.
Gordon?
Hello maria.
Uh, vera.

Uh, vera.

What brings you here?

What brings you here?

Well, you do, my dear.

Well, you do, my dear.

Congratulations, by the way.

Congratulations, by the way.

don't worry, joe.

Don't worry, joe.

That's just the stun setting.

That's just the stun setting.

Been waiting far too long

been waiting far too long

for this to kill you quick.

For this to kill you quick.

Oh!

Over 10 years

we looked for you.

We looked for you.

And by the time we found you,

and by the time we found you,

you were too old to sacrifice.

You were too old to sacrifice.

We needed a newborn.

We needed a newborn.

Enter maria!

Enter maria!

Oh.

But of course you had to

go and tell her

go and tell her

who you really were.

Who you really were.

She was never

she was never

gonna believe the truth.

Gonna believe the truth.

So we had to convince you

so we had to convince you

it was all a fantasy.

Oh.

All it took

all it took

was a remote inhibitor

was a remote inhibitor
in the projector
in the projector
and a few little pieces
and a few little pieces
of paper.

Of paper.

The antidepressants
the antidepressants
was my idea.

Oh.

I love this antigravity belt.
I could throw you around
I could throw you around
all day.

All day.

But I'm in a bit of a hurry.

But I'm in a bit of a hurry.

Oh, and joe, don't worry.

Oh, and joe, don't worry.

We'll take good care of maria.

We'll take good care of maria.

Oh!

You all right, joe?

Phil?

Phil?

You just shot him?

You just shot him?

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

He's a bounty hunter.

He's a bounty hunter.

They've been on to you

they've been on to you

for about 15 years.

For about 15 years.

We've been watching him.

We've been watching him.

I'm an etm,

i'm an etm,

extraterrestrial monitor.

Extraterrestrial monitor.

Okay phil.

Okay phil.

Can I just ask you a question?

Can I just ask you a question?

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

Yeah.

Is this real?

Is this real?

Yeah joe.

Yeah joe.

This is real.

Come in callam.

Come in callam.

callam, are you there?

Yes.

Yes.

Is he dead?

Is he dead?

He is.

He is.

Yes.

Yes.

Good.

Good.

I've got the girl.

I've got the girl.

I'm on my way to the ship.

I'm on my way to the ship.

The launch sequence

the launch sequence

is initiated so you've got

is initiated so you've got

58 minutes to get there.

58 minutes to get there.

Good.

Good.

Where exactly is the ship?

Where exactly is the ship?

Is that you, joe?

Is that you, joe?

You just leave maria alone,

you just leave maria alone,

all right?
All right?
It's me you want.
It's me you want.
Just let her go!
Just let her go!
Sorry joe.
Sorry joe.
Not going to happen.
Not going to happen.
Give my regards to callen.
Get down!
Oh!
Phil?
Phil.
Phil.
Oh my god, phil.
Oh my god, phil.
Let me call an ambulance.
Let me call an ambulance.
Mm.
Mm.
You'll have to find that ship.
You'll have to find that ship.
You've got 58 minutes
you've got 58 minutes
until that wormhole opens
until that wormhole opens
and they're gone forever.
And they're gone forever.
Wait, where's the ship?
Wait, where's the ship?
Somewhere in the city.
Somewhere in the city.
We could never find it.
We could never find it.
Don't have the technology
don't have the technology
to track the power signatures.
I do.
Joe.
Joe.
Joe.
Joe.

She's pregnant.
She's pregnant.
That's been their plan
that's been their plan
all along here.
All along here.
You have to save her.
Phil.
Phil?
Phil?
father.
Father.
father, I need your help.
Father, I need your help.
It's the tracker.
I haven't got the crystal
to power it
to power it
and they're launching the ship
and they're launching the ship
in less than 40 minutes.
In less than 40 minutes.
Is there any way to power off
is there any way to power off
local energy sources?
Local energy sources?
Negative.
Negative.
Only crystallic fusion
only crystallic fusion
will provide compatible energy.
Will provide compatible energy.
Damn it!
Damn it!
You must find
you must find
an alternative power source.
Is there enough energy
in the projector's crystal
in the projector's crystal
to power it?
To power it?
Yes.
Yes.

But such an operation
but such an operation
will drain the crystal
will drain the crystal
beyond use.

Beyond use.

The hologram will be
the hologram will be
permanently disabled.
Permanently disabled.

I understand.

This shall be the last time
we speak.

Okay.

Goodbye my son.

Goodbye my son.

I love you.

Goodbye, dad.

I love you.

I love you.

maria.

Maria.

Maria.

Whoa, don't shoot.

Whoa, don't shoot.

Liz?

Liz?

Joe.

Joe.

Finally we meet.

Finally we meet.

I thought you left the country.

I thought you left the country.

I changed my mind.

I changed my mind.

So, still crazy?

To talk this through

so just listen.

So just listen.

It's all true.

It's all true.

I really am an alien.

I really am an alien.

And now I need you to drive me

and now I need you to drive me
into the city to find
into the city to find
a hidden spaceship
a hidden spaceship
to stop alien bounty hunters
to stop alien bounty hunters
from kidnapping maria
from kidnapping maria
and taking her
and taking her
to planet zalaxon.
To planet zalaxon.

Now, are you gonna help me
now, are you gonna help me
or not?

Or not?

Okay.

Okay.

Okay great.

Okay great.

Nice to meet you by the way.

Nice to meet you by the way.

Yeah, you too.

Okay, so alien bounty hunters
who have been watching you
who have been watching you
for years and controlling
for years and controlling
all your alien devices,
all your alien devices,
conspired to make you believe
conspired to make you believe
that you weren't really an alien
that you weren't really an alien
because they needed your baby
because they needed your baby
to complete a sacrificial ritual
to complete a sacrificial ritual
on the planet zalaxon.
On the planet zalaxon.

Yes.

Yes.

Yes exactly.

Yes exactly.
That's it.
That's it.
Oh, okay.
Oh, okay.
That makes perfect sense now.
That makes perfect sense now.
Beta rays energy sources
beta rays energy sources
located at 1300 meters.
Located at 1300 meters.
Acquiring.
Acquiring.
Hey, how did you get
hey, how did you get
your sat-nav to talk like that?
Your sat-nav to talk like that?
Uh, it's not sat-nav,
uh, it's not sat-nav,
it's an alien tracking device.
It's an alien tracking device.
Oh, of course.
Oh, of course.
can you go any faster?
Can you go any faster?
This is a 30k zone,
this is a 30k zone,
but I can go faster.
But I can go faster.
my god, they're underground.
We're here.
Turn here.
Turn here.
here, here, here.
Here, here, here.
Stop here.
Stop here.
thanks liz.
Thanks liz.
No bother.
Hmm.
Why are the cute ones
why are the cute ones
always insane?

Always insane?
Ow.
Ow.
i'll say this for you, joe.
I'll say this for you, joe.
You're resilient.
You're resilient.
You're really bad at this, joe.
Why don't you just
why don't you just
stick your head out
stick your head out
and make it easy on yourself?
And make it easy on yourself?
Nice move though, joe.
I'm afraid that's it for you.
I don't think you have
I don't think you have
anything left
anything left
in your bag of tricks.
Can you hear me?
Can you hear me?
I'm gonna get you out of there.
I'm gonna get you out of there.
Wait.
Launch capability
in two minutes.
In two minutes.
hello joe.
Hello joe.
You.
All of this was you.
On the contrary, joe.
On the contrary, joe.
It's all you.
It's all you.
Everything you see here,
everything you see here,
you've created.
I think I've heard that one
before.
Before.
No, before it was selective

no, before it was selective
embellishment.
Embellishment.
Now you've graduated
now you've graduated
to free form delusion.
To free form delusion.
Oh, so we're not actually
oh, so we're not actually
on a spaceship?
On a spaceship?
You're in an asylum, joe.
You're in an asylum, joe.
You were committed
you were committed
after your suicide attempt.
After your suicide attempt.
You do remember that?
You do remember that?
Bullshit.
Bullshit.
Come on, joe.
Come on, joe.
Alien bounty hunters
alien bounty hunters
trying to convince you
trying to convince you
you're human to get you
you're human to get you
to impregnate someone
to impregnate someone
so that they can steal
so that they can steal
your baby?
Your baby?
And you found me
and you found me
when I was too old
when I was too old
and xallador needed a newborn
and xallador needed a newborn
to complete the ritual.
If you engage any further
with this delusion,

with this delusion,
you'll be lost to it forever.
You'll be lost to it forever.
Now you have one last chance.
Now you have one last chance.
You have to reject the fantasy.
You have to reject the fantasy.
You have to give me the gun.
You have to give me the gun.
You can't trust yourself, joe.
You can't trust yourself, joe.
You don't know what's real.
You don't know what's real.
Yes I do know what's real.
Yes I do know what's real.
I didn't before but now I do.
I didn't before but now I do.
This is real.
This is real.
You and me.
You and me.
I love you.
I love you.
You were never
you were never
just part of a mission.
Fine.
oh.
Oh.
Or we can do it like that.
Or we can do it like that.
Good speech though.
Good speech though.
Rather moving.
Rather moving.
But you were right.
But you were right.
I do need a newborn
I do need a newborn
for the ritual.
For the ritual.
And your child
and your child
will be the final sacrifice.

Will be the final sacrifice.
look at you.
Look at you.
You've come so far
you've come so far
only to fail now.
Only to fail now.
What would your father say?
Wait, please wait.
Wait, please wait.
Before you kill me,
before you kill me,
just let me see zalaxon.
Just let me see zalaxon.
Just let me see the wormhole.
Just let me see the wormhole.
You think you'll see
you think you'll see
the beacon?
Well, I'm nothing if not
magnanimous.
Magnanimous.
two minutes.
Two minutes.
Enjoy them.
now, exiting earth
now, exiting earth
atmosphere.
Normal zalaxion gravity
restored.
Restored.
you asked
you asked
what my father would say.
What my father would say.
He'd say that earth's gravity
he'd say that earth's gravity
is very strong.
Is very strong.
killing me will mean nothing
killing me will mean nothing
but I'm one of many,
but I'm one of many,
and one day we will destroy

and one day we will destroy
your people once and for all.
No, I wouldn't worry
about that, doc.
About that, doc.
'Cause as you know,
'cause as you know,
it's all in your head.
It's all in your head.
I love you.
I love you.
I love you.
I love you.
Entering wormhole
entering wormhole
in one minute.
In one minute.
Quick, get off the ship.
Let's use the escape pod.
Joe.
Can't we beam down?
No maria.
No maria.
This is reality.
This is reality.
joe.
Joe.
did we make it?
Did we make it?
Are we home?
Are we home?
Yeah.
We're home.
Joe, this is real, isn't it?
This completes
This completes
the final entry
the final entry
of our mission log.
Of our mission log.
Broadcasting on all
broadcasting on all
interstellar frequencies.
Interstellar frequencies.

I don't know if anyone
I don't know if anyone
on zalaxon will ever hear this,
on zalaxon will ever hear this,
but if you do, remember,
but if you do, remember,
it doesn't matter
it doesn't matter
where strength comes from,
where strength comes from,
and never stop fighting.
This is joe norman,
the second last son of zalaxon,
the second last son of zalaxon,
signing off.
Signing off.