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[Genesis Avalon: Patriot Theme plays]

Genesis Avalon: Patriot, Episode 22: "The Revolution Will Not Be Televised"

[theme music ends]

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(On a private estate in the countryside, Genesis and Exodus Avalon arrive inside a security line with your standard "Superhero Landing".)

## **EXODUS AVALON**

This is it. Doesn't look like Kinsey was lying after all. (low whistle) Blimey, is this a mansion or is it a bunker? Whole thing's encased in steel.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(little chuckle) Hoping for an ambush?

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Well, you know, been a while, could've used the warm up.

## **GENESIS AVALON**

I'm sure you'll get your chance. And I wouldn't count it out just yet. But... if Kinsey wanted to screw us over, she had easier ways to do it. (sigh) These are thick. And definitely steel, maybe even a stronger alloy. It's the same plating over the windows and the roof we saw from the air.

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Nothing Cernunnos or the Morrigan couldn't take care of.

# **GENESIS AVALON**

You know, I'm enjoying this side of you. The side that knows he was wrong so he can crack jokes about my patron.

#### **EXODUS AVALON**

Oi, I am a very enlightened husband, thank you very much. Now, can we get on with it? Been a while since we've been on a date.

## **GENESIS AVALON**

(chuckles, but then sobers a bit) Look. That's a sensor. Those are the same kind of alarms that were all over the prison.

## **EXODUS AVALON**

So, the moment we bust through it, all hell breaks loose.

## **GENESIS AVALON**

She said she wanted flashy.

(Genesis Avalon activates her radio with a crackle)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Julian, you in position?

## **JULIAN**

(Over radio) Yup. I can follow you guys all the way down the drive and back to the boulevard, so just... when you get him, stay on course. I'll get it all on film. Good luck.

# **GENESIS AVALON**

You, too. (sighs) Let's make some fireworks.

## **EXODUS AVALON**

(Summoning a weapon) Dagda!

(Dagda's club is summoned, powering up)

## **EXODUS AVALON**

Eliminate the obstacles before me! (Roar of effort)

(The club SMASHES through the wall with a ripping of metal and rubble, and alarms start to blare.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Oh, shut up. CERNUNNOS!

(Power blast and the alarms go blowey-uppy.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Much better. All right, go in blazing, knock through the wall, grab him and -

(Cal suddenly teleports right in front of them.)

### CALHOUN

Ah, sis, you're so damn predictable.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(growl) Calhoun. (to Sam) Sam, go! Keep moving, we're on a deadline!

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Like hell!

# **GENESIS AVALON**

Cal and I need to talk.

(Cape swoosh.)

**GENESIS AVALON** 

Just. Family.

**EXODUS AVALON** 

I'll be back for you!

**CALHOUN** 

Aw, that's so sweet, he's worried about you, Jay.

**EXODUS AVALON** 

Nah, I just don't wanna miss seeing her kick your bleedin' arse.

(Exodus flies off.)

**GENESIS AVALON** 

You get one chance to back off.

# **CALHOUN**

Real cute. But, I've been looking forward to this ever since you showed your face on TV six years ago. The moment I realized that your death didn't stick, I should've finished the job. I *figured* you'd be smart enough to stay away. But, you didn't and now you're my ticket out of here. I take care of you, then I can *finally* get what I deserve.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Oh, I'm sure you'll get what you deserve one of these days, Cal. But if you think killing me will make Tunannu give you even an inch of respect, you're a bigger idiot than I thought.

### **CALHOUN**

What's that line about surviving a bear? Oh, yes. I don't have to be the fastest. I just have to be faster than the other guy.

**GENESIS AVALON** 

"Other guy?"

(Calhoun teleports away, then reappears behind her and grabs her into a headlock.)

CALHOUN

Say goodnight, little sis.

(He summons a dagger and stabs her in the back.)

**GENESIS AVALON** 

(screams in pain) You... COWARD!

(She grabs him, grapples and throws him off of her. She pulls the dagger out with a groan.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

You're gonna have to do better than that.

(He throws a fireball at her.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

### SHIELD!

(Genesis Avalon summons her energy blades.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(battle cry!)

### **CALHOUN**

(Manic glee, he is at the end of his rope today and his voice has taken on a demonic tone.) *That's more like it!* 

(He teleports away, then teleports back with a blaze of fire, blades locking combat from the sword he has summoned.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(Grunting with the effort of the fight, finally kicks at him) Really? First a literal dagger in the back and now a sword made of *fire?* A little on the nose, don't you think? Where'd you even get that thing?

### **CALHOUN**

Considering what you've stolen from me over the years, I figured I'd steal your own gimmick. You're not the only one with *connections*.

(They go back to fighting, then he gets a good kick in. Genesis Avalon lands hard, denting a wall and groaning from the pain of the hit.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(groans a bit, then recovers) What... what *I* stole from *you?* You *took* our father from me! (She pulls herself to her feet as she talks) And now... you've allied with a demonic elder god to destroy *everything* I've ever loved! That's *all* you do! You're a *vulture!* You can't be bothered to create, so all you do is steal scraps and take credit! And I won't let you do that here! Your problems are with *me!* And it ends *today!* 

(The two half-siblings fight, exchanging vicious blows using magic, weapons, elbows, and anything else they think might cause the other one pain. Finally, Cal gets one up on Avalon and lands another solid hit. But this time, she grabs his blade, her hands sizzling as she does.)

# **GENESIS AVALON**

Piece of--... (Groan) SHIELD!

### **CALHOUN**

You're right... It will end today... Because either I die... or you do.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(Screams in pain as the fire grows in intensity and burns her hands)

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(Inside the fortress-like home where President-Elect Mirzae lives under house arrest, there is chaos as Exodus Avalon fights his way through the Steward guards. Mirzae is hiding, afraid that he will be hurt by the attacker outside.)

### STEWARD 1

We have a vigilante sighted!

### STEWARD 2

Call for Overseers - AH! (A Wilhelm-style scream as he is thrown)

(A few more punches, then the guards go down and Exodus kicks the door open, walks in.)

#### **EXODUS AVALON**

Stop hiding, Mr. Mirzaei. I really don't have time for hide and seek.

#### MIRZAEI

If you're going to kill me, I'd like to call my mother first.

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Wh - *kill* you? You're the rightful President of the United States, I'm not here to kill you. I am Exodus Avalon, and on behalf of the Kingdom of Avalon... we owe you an apology. I'm here to make that right.

### MIRZAEI

I'm not entirely sure I follow.

### **EXODUS AVALON**

You won your election. You should have been able to take power peacefully. The only reason you didn't was because the Stewards are led by an old god. Old enough to hold grudges against the Kingdom and my gods, and we should have been there to help. You *are* the president your people voted for, and I'm here to get you to the people who can help prove that.

### MIRZAEI

The Voices of Freedom?

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Yeah. How'd you know?

#### MIRZAEI

I'm trapped here, but the one thing they let me do is watch TV. I watch for the people trying to help, and those are always the people the news hates the most.

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Then let's not keep them waiting. Hang on, this part might be a bit dicey.

(He grabs the President-Elect and flies off.)

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(In New York City, Kerri, Leo and Ben are climbing up the fire escape outside the former Gazette building.)

#### **LEO**

This used to be the Gazette? Can't tell from all the bars on the damn windows.

### **KERRI**

I never thought I'd be back here... After they took over the media, they set up a server hub for their network here. It's a skyscraper, easy to turn into its own broadcast tower.

#### **LEO**

How the heck are we gonna get in?

### **KERRI**

Trust me.

## **REVOLUTION**

One more floor, right?

#### **KERRI**

Yep.

# LEO

Cool-coolcoolcoolcool... why did we have to use the fire escape? Ben can run super fast, he could've done us a solid.

# **REVOLUTION**

Because when we do this, we're gonna have every Steward and Overseer in Manhattan on our asses. Figured I'd keep as much of my battery charged as possible.

# **LEO**

Ugh... (complaining under his breath as they climb) Stupid stairs... could have run all the way

up here but no... stupid fire escape.... Cause Kerri's got all the plans... Kerri knows best. Kerri behbehbeh... Oww... my legs...

#### KERRI

Stop complaining. My contact said she's been doing this for years with no problems. Nice thing about not wanting to pay people to do things like maintenance work, they're more inclined to leave a window or two unlocked for us.

(They stop.)

#### KERRI

Like this one. Okay, this will work...

(She opens the window and the three of them climb in. They walk around and Kerri rummages behind one of the server bays.)

### **KERRI**

Now, let's hope this toy Ryan gave me works. They were sure this couldn't be detected by the Stewards' firewall.

### REVOLUTION

Juice jacking is still the easiest way to infect something if you don't need to move much code. People don't realize cables can carry code. And it'll take them a while to find it.

#### KERRI

Found it! Ryan, are you there?

# **RYAN**

(On coms) Standing by.

# **KERRI**

Okay, so just unplug the cable... put this in between the brick and... okay.

(Server shuts down, then whirs back to life.)

### KERRI

I think it worked.

### **RYAN**

(On coms) I'm in! Hold on, I'm going to put this feed everywhere.

(Phone timer goes off and is dismissed.)

### **LEO**

Couldn't ask for better timing, Steward broadcast should be going live any second now.

## KERRI

Julian, how's it going?

(We can hear his bike roaring in the background.)

### **JULIAN**

(Shouting over his bike engine, on coms) I've been rolling for a couple minutes now! Exodus just grabbed Mirzaei, they're flying back over the walls and towards Route 81! We have a problem, though. Calhoun Masters is here, he went after Jaina!

#### KERRI

Then you've *got* to stay with Sam. The moment we know Mirzaei's safe, he can go help her. But, I don't know how long we'll get.

#### **JULIAN**

(On coms) Got it. (Beat) Are you okay? Being back there?

#### KFRRI

.... I don't think we'll ever be okay, Julian. Our friends were murdered here. (beat) But... we'll keep going, yeah?

## **JULIAN**

(On coms) Yeah. (beat) OK, Ryan sent me the link for the live. The hack worked. In about ten seconds, everyone's going to see what I just did.

(Suddenly, alarms go off, footsteps get closer.)

# **REVOLUTION**

Then the Revolution's live. We just need to make sure it's watched.

### **JULIAN**

(On coms) Kerri?!

### **KERRI**

Whatever you do, Julian, keep filming!

### **JULIAN**

(On coms) Just get out of there!

### LEO

Guys, we've officially outstayed our welcome!

## **REVOLUTION**

Window, now!

(They rush for the window but find it blocked by an overseer.)

## **OVERSEER**

(roars) ANNIHILATE ALL FOR TUNANNU!

#### **LEO**

Demon in the window! **DEMONINTHEWINDOW!** 

## **KERRI**

Screw the window! We have to go up!

### LEO

Up?!

### KERRI

Roof access is this way!

### **LEO**

Uh, you know that none of us can fly, right?!

### KERRI

Come On!

(She and Revolution run.)

### LEO

### RIGHT?!

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(Back at the Steward Compound where Mizrae was held, Genesis Avalon and Caloun's fight continues to rage. The fight is rough; they are not holding back.)

# **GENESIS AVALON**

(groans and fights, but she's flagging a bit.) **Why?** Why are you so determined to kill me? You're not *just* Lilith's son, you're my *brother!* You're half-human, you don't *have* to be like this! You can reject that part of you and do better!

# **CALHOUN**

(laughs) What, like *you*? I'm *nothing* like you! You have *no* idea what I have to be! You had a mother who gave you a place to live, to go to school like a normal human kid with all your petty little human problems! *My* mother was the queen of *monsters!* Her maternal love was cruelty! I learned through FIRE!

#### **GENESIS AVALON**

Then you're exactly what she wanted you to be!

(She manages to land a solid kick, then summons her power.)

#### **GENESIS AVALON**

Lugh of the Long Hand, high god among high gods, RAIN DOWN YOUR FURY!!

(A thunderous explosion, like a meteor shower, as well as a sound of Cal throwing up a shield.)

### **CALHOUN**

(this is starting to wear him down, even if he acts cocky) His fury, Jay? Or *yours*? All those years acting like the bigger person, but that *temper...* that's all dear old daddy. Mean, selfish bastard. I did you a *favor*.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

SHUT UP! CERNUNNOS!!

(She goes on the attack again.)

### CALHOUN

(blocks it, but a little weaker) You hit like a girl.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

## DRUANTIA! ENSNARE HIM!

(The vines snap up, but Cal jumps out of the way.)

## CALHOUN

Trees are combustible, genius. (growls and fire burns the vines away) I can't believe *you're* the one with the legacy.

(He slashes his sword and manages to wound her, then another grunt as he PUNTS her. She gets hit and goes down *hard*, earth cracking under her)

#### CALHOUN

You could *never* understand what it's like to have her as a mother. And I will *not* go back to her. (slight hint of desperation and fear) I *can't*.

### **GENESIS AVALON**

That's what this is about? Lilith? She's... (realizing) She's still in the Underworld. (beat) What did Tunannu promise you?

(She picks herself up, a new sense of realization and determination.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Nooo... it's not what he *promised*. It's what he threatened. He's gonna throw you away. To Lilith. To languish in the dark with her and her broken mind.

### **CALHOUN**

A mind *you* broke! She was always teetering, but you... you finally did it. And when Morgan Le Fay promised to kill Lilith, to free me from her, she left her rattling around the walls of Hell instead!

## **GENESIS AVALON**

So... *stop.* Just... *stop.* All of it. (beat) I want to hate you. Gods, I do. But if you just stop... promise to walk way now... I don't think anyone deserves Lilith as a parent. And my anger... it doesn't have to rule me. Yours doesn't have to rule you.

### **CALHOUN**

(beat, as if he's considering it) You really could do that, couldn't you?

## **GENESIS AVALON**

The Morrigan might be a war goddess. But that means knowing when to make peace. I am offering to put this aside.

### CALHOUN

(After a long pause, says darkly but a little flippant) Hard pass.

(He BLASTS her with fire.)

#### GENESIS AVALON

SHIELD! (grunts as that shield goes up just in time) Why are you so damn determined to kill me?! I just offered you a chance to get out of this, to be *better!* 

### **CALHOUN**

(roars) I AM BETTER! I will *always* be better than you! I don't have the luxury of seeing your damn inner angels, kid. Just the inner demons. Because fear? Anger? *That* is power. You can't stop the forces of Hell. You can't stop *Death*. (practically spits her title) "Chosen of the Morrigan", you make me sick. You play with magic, but kid, I was practically nursed on hellfire. I will burn EVERYTHING and EVERYONE you care about. I will *gladly* be King of the Ashes if it means you're **GONE!** 

(Another burst of fire that pings off her shield.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

You know what fire needs, Calhoun? Oxygen. And you're *done* blowing hot hair. I don't need the Morrigan to stop you.

(Swell of brand new power as she's channeling a new aspect of a goddess.)

# **GENESIS AVALON**

Arianrhod, Great Sky and Mother of All, grant me the void between the stars! (build up as the goddess answers her, *profoundly inspired*) **Smother this inferno!** 

(Space sound effect as she suddenly sucks all the air out of the space around them, the world around them dull and muted.)

#### CALHOUN

No! (drops his sword) No! How... (gasping for air as he's suffocating)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Don't screw with the goddess of the Silver Wheel. She governs life *and* death. Even the Lord of Annwn won't touch her.

#### CALHOUN

H-how... how did you know...

(No more fire, Cal is gasping and slowly suffocating now, scrabbling on the ground.)

### CALHOUN

I'll... kill you... I... I will... (grunts as he tries to reach her)

(Avalon walks closer to Cal, kneels down as he gasps)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(So calm, but also... maternal in the way Morrigan sees her. The way Arianrhod sees her) Your whole life, Lilith told you who to be. Told you all you *could* be. It's not your fault she hated you. I imagine she's always hated all men. The myths all say she was destined to be that way. But, I suppose... that means so were you. (Beat) You never knew how to be anything else, so how could I ask you to walk away from this life now? It's like asking a snake to stop biting.

# CALHOUN

Make... make it... stop... (really fading now)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(voice hardens) I will. For you both.

(She stands, her cape swishes as she holds her hand out. Then, same as she has summoned Morrigan in the past, a priestess in her full confidence and authority, Genesis Avalon starts a formal summoning spell, the kind of long form magic that is unbreakable.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Arianhrod, Goddess of the stars, Mother of the Great Wheel, I summon you now. I, who see with the Eye of the Raven. I, who feel the thunder of battle drawn swords, who feel the hearts of my enemies as they cease to beat. I summon you *now* in my hour of need. You, whose loom bears the great tapestry of the universe, find the thread you have woven for this man and his mother. Give them a new thread. This war is ended. (all power, all authority, the final notes of the spell) **Turn the Silver Wheel.** 

(Cosmic effect as the spell works, some great loom in motion that they can't see or understand.)

### **CALHOUN**

I'm... (scared) Dying.... Jaina....

### **GENESIS AVALON**

No, I'm saving you. Anger is all she ever gave you. Let go of your anger, Cal, and the place you go next, you'll be free of her.

### **CALHOUN**

I... You... I should've... I... (dies, words unsaid. There is a ghostly exhale as his soul departs this plain.)

# **GENESIS AVALON**

(long beat) You should've done a lot of things. They don't help you now.

(The spell fades, it's eerily quiet for a moment.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

(to herself, to the gods, maybe) That's what you meant by the Mother aspect. I get it now...

(In the distance, gunshots.)

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Sam.

(She takes off flying at breakneck speed.)

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(Back in New York City, Leo, Kerri and Ben barrel onto the roof of the Gazette building.)

#### LEO

Okay, as far as ideas go, I hate this one. Oh look, a pidgeon

# **KERRI**

It was the only bloody way to go!

### **LEO**

The feasibility of other ideas has *nothing to do* with how I feel about this one! Thumbs down, Kerri, thumbs down.

(The Overseers growl as they get closer.)

### **REVOLUTION**

We gotta make a stand here. The broadcast *has* to be live long enough to make a dent in the people's fear of Tunannu.

(Leo pulls his keychain.)

## LEO

I know I told Sam I was eager for a fight, but honestly, now that we're here? (not happy) Mid.

(Summons his full-sized broadsword from it's keychain form.)

### **LEO**

But at least I'm gonna chop a bunch of these sons of bitches into pieces first.

## **OVERSEER**

Death to all! Annihilate all!

(The overseers attack, Leo hacking and slashing to make Conan the Barbarian proud.)

### **KERRI**

There's too many of them!

### **REVOLUTION**

(Talking while fighting.) Just hang in there! Just... a little longer!

#### I FO

(grunts as he keeps cutting down and fighting Overseers) for what?

### REVOLUTION

We'll know when we see it! (he punches an Overseer, then grabs another one) Just - a little - more!

### **JULIAN**

(Loud, over a loud speaker, technically this line is from a later scene) This is happening right now, people. In case you're just seeing this, I'm following Exodus Avalon and President-Elect Mirzaei. He was being held prisoner by the Stewards.

## **LEO**

OH YEAH! THAT'S what you were waiting for!! (Ala Rocky Balboa at the end of the first Rocky movie) JULIAAAAAN!

### **KERRI**

Julian is on the Times Square Jumbotron!?

## **RYAN**

(On coms) I told you I was gonna put him everywhere.

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(In the White House, Tom Connors is about to have a very bad day.)

### TOM

(talking to a staff member) No, no. Send it back.. Tell Congresswoman Two-Braincells-in-a-Trench-Coat I don't give a shit about the guy in charge of whatever social platform she sprayed stupided all over today.

### **STAFFER**

But -

### TOM

I don't care. I don't care. I. Don't. Care. She doesn't have to post! Besides, the rage engagement will help her poll numbers, the idiot. (sighs) Is it really that hard?

(Nick barrels through the door.)

### NICK

(pissed and a bit panicked) Out! Get out! ALL OF YOU! Now!

### TOM

Nick, what the hell? Take a pill. What's the matter with you-

(The staffers shuffle out and close the door behind them.)

### NICK

Pay attention! (beat) Don't you feel that?

### TOM

(beat) Something is eating at the loyalty of my supplicants.

## **NICK**

Our supplicants.

#### TOM

"Our supplicants", shut up.

(Nick turns the TV on.)

### **NICK**

This started on every news network just now. It's live, and it's completely co-opted our security broadcast.

### **JULIAN**

This is happening right now, people. In case you're just seeing this, I'm following Exodus Avalon and President-Elect Mirzaei. He was being held prisoner by the Stewards.

(Exodus and Mirzaei sound further away than Julian, as if Julian is filming with a body mounted camera.)

### **EXODUS AVALON**

The Voices of Freedom will make sure everyone knows you're alive and free. More importantly, the public will know who put you in prison to begin with.

#### MIRZAEI

Thank you, Exodus Avalon. I promise, I will not waste this opportunity.

#### **EXODUS AVALON**

I'm sure you won't. It's been a pleasure, Mr. President-

### BUS DRIVER FROM EPISODE 3

Come on, Mr President, Freedom is Calling, get on the bus!

(Gunfire in the distance.)

#### **JULIAN**

Time to move! The Voices of Freedom have rescued President-elect Mirzaei! The rightful and democratically elected President. We were all *lied* to last election. He didn't concede, he was kidnapped! And that's not all they've been lying about!

(Julian's bike revs.)

#### **JULIAN**

What you're about to see may shock you, but this footage is *real*. Just weeks ago, Exodus Avalon was tortured and set to be executed by our own forces. On the Vice President's *direct* authority. But that's not all the Vice President is responsible for. These... these are called overseers. (Beat) Ryan, roll the tape!

### TOM

(over the last few lines, just... seething) That little... worm... Miserable little cockroach! How the fuck are you still alive??

# NICK

Mirzaei. Is. GONE! He's out! And that... that's footage from Dannemora! How did any of those rebellious brats get their phones out of there intact?

# TOM

(Shouts in rage) *Calhoun!!* Where are you, you useless, spineless - (stops cold. Is sensing him die) Oh. well.. that's... inconvenient. He's dead.

#### NICK

So we have no bounty hunter, no leverage, and a blogger actively airing our dirty laundry! We have to cut out the blight, Tunannu. Now!

(Staffer busts back in.)

## STAFFER

Mr. Vice President! There's been a breach at the secure compound outside Pittsburgh! The stewards are in pursuit but...

#### TOM

(all the snark) Oh, really? Are they? Well, that's great. I never would have known if I hadn't turned on any TV in the building!

#### **STAFFER**

(scared) We... we're I-looking into the breach now. It's a server hack and we'll have the location shortly.

#### TOM

Just you? And not an entire army of staffers because this is a *huge* problem for everyone!

### **STAFFER**

Yes! Full mobilization, of course! I've been told Overseers are on their way to all server hubs.

#### TOM

Great. Fantastic. Now get out. (beat, sounding contrite.) Wait, wait, wait. I'm sorry, I'm-- I'm sorry. You know, it's a bad day, clearly, and the pressures of the job are getting-- you know what, come back over here, Clarence. Is your name Clarence? Or am I just calling you that? You know, it doesn't matter, just come over here. There is something you can do for me.

# **STAFFER**

Of course. Anything...

### TOM

Clarence, I'm just gonna call you Clarence, I've done a lot of delegating today and I think I'm done with it. It's time for me to get my hands dirty. So I'm gonna need a snack.

(Dark magic as Tunannu lets go of his glamour and starts to show his full glory.)

#### **TUNANNU**

And you'll do just fine..

### STAFFER

(scared whimper, then screams as he's devoured)

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(In the air over Rt 81 leaving the Steward Compound in Pennsylvania, Exodus Avalon is flying to distract the overseer battalion away from the Voices of Freedom caravan.)

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Come on, you bastards! Follow me! That's it, don't worry about the van or the bike -

(Overseer roar, then a new weapon blasts hit Exodus Avalon. He cries out in pain and crashes into a copse of trees. Overseers rush to surround him.)

## **OVERSEER**

(snarling as they approach) Annihilate all... feast for Tunannu...

### **EXODUS AVALON**

(groans and picks himself up) Oh, sod off...

### **OVERSEER**

The Leviathan hungers...

## **EXODUS AVALON**

Oh, great. Guess Tunannu really does scramble your noggins when he transforms you...

## **OVERSEER**

### **DEVOUR!**

# **GENESIS AVALON**

(swooping in like a badass) MORRIGAN! FEAST UPON MY ENEMIES!!

(As Genesis Avalon arrives on the scene, so does a massive flock of spectral ravens, which attack and rend the flesh from the Overseers.)

### **EXODUS AVALON**

... Do they always explode like balloons?

## **GENESIS AVALON**

Yup.

#### **EXODUS AVALON**

Well, never say I don't take you to the most entertaining dates. (dusting himself off) Mirzaei is with the Roadies. I suspect Julian will get him on camera shortly.

(Magic crash of premonition, and they can hear Leo crying out in pain.)

### **EXODUS AVALON**

Wh... what was that?

### **GENESIS AVALON**

Our family is in danger. Let's go.

(They take off at top speed.)

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(Back on the roof of the Gazette building in New York City, Julian's broadcast blares in the background as Leo, Kerri and The Revolution fight overseers.)

#### **JULIAN**

(This monologue runs under the fight with the demons on the roof, he's talking fast and not stopping even though he's running for his life) The footage you've just seen is of the Superhero Genesis Avalon fighting Vice President Tom Connors, who is actually a demon monster. And now he's sending his demon goons after me. I'm doing what I can to shake them, and even if they stop me, they won't stop the evidence that is dropping onto the website you can see on the bottom of the screen about the lengths the so called "Freedom and Security Party" have gone through to take control of America, including making deals with literal demons. I was one of the first voices to be critical of Superheroes years ago, but now I've realized that we do need them. Superheroes are just people. People who stand up and do everything in their power to stop evil around them. They just happen to have super-powers. And right now, brave superheroes like Genesis Avalon, Exodus Avalon, and the Revolution - who you also know as Minute Man - are doing everything they can to fight the Stewards, fight the demons that have stolen our country.

(Leo gets a good blow in, then chomped.)

# LEO

(Cries out in pain) No BITING!

(He kills the Overseer.)

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(winded, poisoned by magic, doesn't realize it) That's... at least a fourth date activity...

# **KERRI**

Leo... your arm...

### **LEO**

Huh? (Out of it, but somehow still casual. A little loopy. One too many hits with the snake.) Nono no no we're cool, I'm sure that's a totally normal shade of green for my skin. Normal reaction to biting I guess... Hey, look at all the people below watching Julian, that's cool. We have a big crowd. Woohoo... Go Julian....

## REVOLUTION

Hang in there, Leo! It's working!

#### LEO

The poison in my arm? Yeah I think that's working pretty good.... Please don't cut it off...

### REVOLUTION

Hang on, They're growing weaker. The broadcast, it must be working!

(From the Jumbotron feed; there's a massive blast and a crash and crowd gasps from below.)

### KERRI

Julian!! Julian can you hear me!?

(When Julian talks, Kerri can hear it in her com, but also echoing from the jumbotron below.)

## **JULIAN**

(He's hurt, BAD. VERY BAD. Coughing, spitting blood.) Kerri? Can you hear me?

### KERRI

(cry laugh, she is watching on the jumbotron and can see how bad he looks) Of course I can hear you, the whole bloody world can hear you. Are you alright?!

#### **JULIAN**

The Stewards... they followed me and not President Mirzaei... we got him to safety...

# **KERRI**

You need to get up, you need to get to somewhere safe... I'll call Genesis and Exodus, they'll get you to safety...

### **JULIAN**

They have... bigger fish... to fry... Kerri... I don't.... I don't think I can make the party tonight...

### **STEWARDS**

(Distance, jumbotron) THIS WAY!

## **KERRI**

(holding back tears, terrified for him) Don't talk like that, you're fine, alright? You've had worse. You just need to keep moving, it's working, alright?! The live feed is working!

#### **JULIAN**

God, you're so bossy... You know I really love that about you... I'm gonna... keep doing this... as long as I can... Kerri... I want you to know...

#### **KERRI**

Julian! Julian! Defend yourself! Julian!! What're you doing, don't just stand there!

# **JULIAN**

Couldn't do it. Couldn't pick up a gun again knowing what it did to you. (long beat) I'll tell Bobby Evan misses him. (beat) I'm gonna miss you.

## **STEWARDS**

(Very close now, Jumbotron) STAND DOWN!

(Julian finally stops walking, drops the camera.)

## **JULIAN**

I hope they kick your asses -

(Gunshots as the Stewards on the live feed cut Julian down, then quiet.)

#### KERRI

Julian? JULIAN!?

### **STEWARDS**

(On the Jumbotron) THIS IS THE WRONG ONE! FIND THE VAN!

(Additional gunshots.)

## **STEWARDS**

SHIT! WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!! SO-- (Death groan)

(Last volley of gunshots, this one is VERY SQUELCHY. Footsteps, sounds of scraping as someone picks up the camera.)

#### **KERRI**

(Abject horror as she sees Julian dead on the screen) No... NO!

(Crowd below screaming in the same horror.)

## **JOHN**

(Over the Jumbotron, he has picked up the camera Julian dropped.) That was Julian Alexander, formerly of the New York Gazette, reporting...

### KERRI

(Kind of under John's line, Sobbing)

#### **JOHN**

(Over the Jumbotron) My name is John Pelson, Former US Army and Boston School District History Teacher, and I'm going to pick up where he left off. We *all* need to pick up where he left off. He died a hero, and none of us should let that be in vain.

### REVOLUTION

(Kind of under John's line) Dad? DAD!

(Tunannu and Ninurta appear in various blasts of magic.)

#### **TUNANNU**

(full god mode, they are in the "Find out" phase of FAFO) OKAY, THAT'S **ENOUGH!** (Snarls as he reaches out with his power and pulls Leo off his feet)

(Leo gets painfully yoinked off his feet and heald in the air by a demonic tentacle.)

# **REVOLUTION**

(all the authority of the Spirits of Revolution) *Put him down.* 

#### **NINURTA**

Foolish *child*, you salt our fields and expect us not to repay the insult?!

(Ninurta summons his scythe.)

### NINURTA

We will water those fields with your blood.

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[Genesis Avalon: Patriot theme plays] Featuring the voice talents of: Laura Post as Jaina Tyler Ben Hernandez as Ben Pellson/Revolution David Ault as Sam Tyler/Exodus Avalon Paul Brueggemann as Leo Blake Anthony Fleece as Julian Alexander M Siero Garcia as Kerri Arthur Devyn Boer as Ryan Jillian Morgan as Calhoun Pete Milan as Tom Connors/Tunannu Eric Valdes as Nick Jones/Ninurta Dontae Majors as Mirzaei Kris Remo as Steward 1 and Overseer Adin Rudd as Steward 2 Chris Hackney as Staffer

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