"AS ABOVE, SO BELOW" The Sheridan Tapes - Season 04, Episode 88 Recording Script - August 31, 2023

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1. ??? - ETERNAL NIGHT

We cut in on the end of B-Side 11, with Bill and Rob spinning through the darkness as they're thrown into the void.

BILL TYLER

I'm holding on... I won't give up on you... I promise.

The absence of chaos is almost more frightening than the dissolving of their reality before it. BILL AND ROB cling to one another, BREATHING HEAVILY IN FEAR.

BILL TYLER (CONT'D)

(trying to stay calm)

Look into my eyes, Rob.

THEIR BREATHING SLOWS as their eyes connect. They continue to float in the void, rushing noises beginning to gather around them.

ROBERT QUINCY

(clinging to this poem

like a life raft)

He walks in beauty, like the night Of cloudless climes and starry skies;

BILL TYLER

And all that's best of dark and bright

Meet in his aspect and his eyes; Thus mellowed to that tender light Which heaven to gaudy day denies.

ROBERT QUINCY

One shade the more, one ray the less,

Had half impaired the nameless grace

Which waves in every raven tress, Or softly lightens o'er his face;

BILL TYLER

Where thoughts serenely sweet express,
How pure, how dear their dwelling-

place.

ROBERT QUINCY

And on that cheek, and o'er that brow,

So soft, so calm, yet eloquent, (MORE)

ROBERT QUINCY (CONT'D)

The smiles that win, the tints that glow...

Rob hesitates, hearing a sound like crumbling around them. It grows steadily louder.

BILL TYLER

(forcing him to focus on

the poem)

But tell of days in goodness spent!

ROBERT QUINCY

A mind at peace with all below...

BILL TYLER

A heart whose love is innocent!

On Bill's last word, he begins to lose his grip on Rob.

BILL TYLER (CONT'D)

Rob! Rob, hold on!

ROBERT QUINCY

I'm trying!

Bill briefly loses focus, and a force begins to drag him away.

BILL TYLER

(desperate)

No, Rob! Goddamn you, I need him!

ROBERT QUINCY

(distantly)

Billy!

A sound like rushing wind, and then Bill lands hard on a polished wooden floor, GRUNTING IN PAIN.

After a moment of confusion, he hears some light mic feedback.

BILL TYLER

(disoriented, pained)

What is... Where am I?

He slowly rolls to his side and pushes himself up.

BILL TYLER (CONT'D)

What the...

(beat; weakly)

Am I in a goddamn karaoke bar?

Bill stands, shakily. He calls out around him.

BILL TYLER (CONT'D)

(weakly)

Rob? Rob!

No reply... but a somewhat distorted guitar piece begins playing on the speakers, echoing menacingly.

CLICK.

MAIN THEME

2. EXT. PRICE HOMESTEAD - BACKYARD - EARLY MORNING - 2/14/20

A cold and quiet morning in the Nevadan desert, with faint sounds of insects and birds as Sam starts the tape.

SAM BAILEY

Sam Bailey and Ned Leroux, personal investigation -- February 14th, 2020 at 5:25am, Pacific Standard Time.

NED LEROUX

(dryly)

Happy Valentine's Day, I guess.

SAM BAILEY

(keeping them focused) Today, we are finally attempting to enter the Source and rescue Bill and Rob from wherever Morrison is holding them captive. It's a tall order with an almost unimaginable amount of potential consequences... if we fail, Bill and Rob might be lost even further to the depths of the Source, and us alongside them. If we're caught by Morrison... well, I don't like to think about how that confrontation would go. And if we don't find our way back to the right point, we could end up stranded in another universe. We're hoping this tape will hold out and provide a record of our actions on the other side of the veil, as it's done before -- we've got a long journey ahead of us.

(he turns to Ned)
Are we really doing this?

NED LEROUX

(impatient)

Come on, Sam -- Let's get a move on already.

SAM BAILEY

(stern, calm)

Ned... I probably don't need to remind you, but you need to keep an absolutely level head when we cross over. Your movement through the Source is based entirely on emotion and intention... If you're tense or impatient or scattered, then you'll just get tossed around in there. And me with you.

NED LEROUX

(trying to calm himself)
Alright, alright... I'll be cool,
then.

SAM BAILEY

The method that Amanita taught me should help calm your mind. But once you're in there, you absolutely need to maintain that connection to yourself. Don't let go of it for any reason.

NED LEROUX

(smiles dryly)

Funny getting lectured on something like this by you of all people, Bailey.

SAM BAILEY

(SCOFFS QUIETLY, amused)
And it's strange that I'm trusting
my safety to you of all people. But
I suppose neither of us have a
choice in partners right now.

NED LEROUX

Guess not.

(beat; BREATHES DEEPLY,
 calmer)

I can see now... who I am as Ned is as close as I'll ever get to an actual identity. Ned's like... a good old pair of boots. He just fits.

Boots, huh?

NED LEROUX

(slightly self-conscious) I dunno, just seemed like the right thing to say.

SAM BAILEY

(dryly)

Would you say they're made for walking?

A completely silent, shocked beat.

NED LEROUX

(proud, quiet)

Bailey... was that a joke?

SAM BAILEY

(SCOFFS, brushing past it) Perfect, that calmed you right down.

(beat)

Ready?

NED LEROUX

(flabbergasted, then focused)

Yeah. Ready.

SAM BAILEY

Then let's begin.

A slight crackle rises on the tape. SAM AND NED begin to BREATHE STEADILY.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

Observe your breath without control. This breath connects you to the world beyond.

The static briefly spikes.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

In. Out. In. Out. As you empty your lungs, notice the infinite within that emptiness. And as you breathe in, hold onto that feeling. And let it... expand.

The static increases again. NED TAKES A SHAKY BREATH.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

These breaths are not to be feared. These breaths are your power.

(he waits for Ned to calm,

and Ned does)

Let the potential in that nothingness grow within you. Let it spread from your chest to your limbs. To your head. Let it surround your physical form. Hold it there.

(beat)

It is almost time to release, but not yet. Let the power push against the limits you have set. Let it strain. Ned, we release on 3. Got it?

NED LEROUX

Got it.

SAM BAILEY

Take my hand. Trust your gut.

(long beat)

One... Two... Three.

On "three," they both EXHALE, and there's a whoosh and wobble like a boat being released from its dock.

3. EXT? THE SOURCE - ???

The sound of distant waves and thunder fills the void. Sam and Ned now sit on the black sand beach, hands clasped.

THEY GRUNT LIGHTLY as they stand up.

NED LEROUX

Whoa...

SAM BAILEY

You alright?

NED LEROUX

Yeah. Just... that was definitely a smoother entrance than my last one.

SAM BAILEY

So... so far, so good?

NED LEROUX

So far so good, Bailey.

Excellent. Keep holding my hand, I don't want us to get separated.

They begin to walk down the shoreline.

NED LEROUX

(CHUCKLES)

Sure, sure. Hand in hand, walking the desert. If you wanted to ask me out, there are easier ways.

SAM BAILEY

(dryly)

Oh you're gonna love this... to me, it looks like we're walking down the beach.

NED LEROUX

(pleased, mock-flattery)
Oh how scandalous, Bailey!

SAM BAILEY

(SCOFFS)

Seems like you're plenty connected to yourself, alright.

NED LEROUX

Oh very funny.

(beat, more serious)

How do we know if we're headed in the right direction?

SAM BAILEY

We won't, not really. All we can do is focus on what we most need to find.

Suddenly, a deep metallic rattling is heard far in the distance. They stop walking.

NED LEROUX

What was that?

SAM BAILEY

It came from those hills, I think. Can you see?

NED LEROUX

(doesn't see it for a

second)

I think I... Oh my God...

Holy shit... it's... it's the Guardian.

NED LEROUX

In chains?

The Guardian roars distantly, the sound full of pain and rage.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

Shit, get behind this door.

Ned drags Sam behind a door with him.

SAM BAILEY

I don't think it can get to us.

NED LEROUX

Maybe not, but I don't want it getting any more familiar with my scent.

SAM BAILEY

(SHUDDERS SLIGHTLY)

Fair enough.

NED LEROUX

Guess that means Morrison and... well... the rest of Oslow haven't been destroyed yet. Small mercies, I guess.

SAM BAILEY

How could Morrison have figured out how to restrain the Guardian like that? It doesn't make any sense.

NED LEROUX

I don't know, but I know it ain't good.

SAM BAILEY

(urgent, realizing their
 getting distracted)
Ned, we need to focus. I'm feeling
some kind of... pull on us. We'll
be drawn somewhere else if we don't

NED LEROUX

Okay. Okay...

(after a quick beat)

come back to why we're here.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

I showed up at Bill's door to rope him into the Shamson Mine situation. He wasn't thrilled. Once we were on the road it was good ol' Bill again of course, but Rob... he was already half-dressed in his costume when I arrived. He looked alarmed or... upset?

(beat)

I hope I get to make a second impression.

Sam is silent.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

What?

SAM BAILEY

I'm... surprised that you care about the impression you gave him.

NED LEROUX

(a little hurt; blunt)
Of course I do. He's someone Bill cares about.

(beat)

Listen, I don't know what's changing in me, or why. But I wish you would stop acting surprised every time I show a tiny bit of humanity.

SAM BAILEY

Is that what's happening? You're becoming...

NED LEROUX

...Human?

(beat)

Tell me Bailey, was the real monster in Frankenstein the creature, or the person that/created him in the first place-

SAM BAILEY

Okay, okay. I get it. (beat)

Look... whatever you are, you wouldn't be doing this if you were the same person I met back in Oslow. I guess I... I will try to believe you.

NED LEROUX

It would be an awfully good time to start, Sam.

SAM BAILEY

(notices that he just called him Sam)

I don't know anyone else who would step into this place with me willingly. That's got to count for something

NED LEROUX

Gee thanks--

A noise cuts him off. Something rattling, low and bassy. SAM AND NED GASP AND BREATHE HARD.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

What was that?

SAM BAILEY

I don't know... I can't see anything that would've made that noise.

(beat, slightly concerned)
You know... this place feels more
real than last time. Maybe because
we're both here observing it?
 (beat, refocusing)

I think we need to keep moving.

NED LEROUX

Fine by me.

Ned and Sam emerge from behind the door and continue walking. Ned notices something.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

(slightly mesmerized)

Hey... Over here... I think I feel something...

SAM BAILEY

Ned, we really should look for a door. Not towards the dunes.

NED LEROUX

Trust me on this... I have a good feeling about this one.

Ned releases Sam's hand and reaches for the curtain on the black sand dune.

Ned, wait--

Ned whips the curtain aside. A raging fire roars from inside it, howling with MORRISON'S RAGE.

We hear snippets of Bill's final transmission as well, as he and Rob get pulled into the Source.

NED AND SAM YELL IN ALARM, and the fire begins to spread to the beach.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

Ned!

NED LEROUX

Oh my God! What/the hell is that, why is it--

SAM BAILEY

--Ned, RUN!

Sam runs, grab's Ned's hand, and sprints towards the nearest door with him in tow, BREATHING HARD. As their fear increases, so does the rushing of wind and waves.

NED LEROUX

What do we do now?!?

SAM BAILEY

We take our chances!

Sam throws a door open, and they dive through it.

4. CONTINUOUS

All sound stops as the door slams shut behind them. NED AND SAM regain their composure, actively breathing slower.

NED LEROUX

(PANTING)

Jesus Christ.

SAM BAILEY

(TRYING TO CATCH BREATH)

Try to slow your breathing... stay calm.

NED LEROUX

(shaken)

Trying to.

(beat, glancing around)
Is this still the Source?

(sensing, unsure)

I... I think so. Yeah, yeah, still not back in our actual bodies. But we need to keep moving.

Sam yanks Ned's hand hard, and NED CRIES OUT.

NED LEROUX

Dammit, ow!

SAM BAILEY

(calm)

Keep your calm, Ned. Now I'm only gonna say this once, so I need you to listen: You opened a random fucking curtain in the middle of the Source and sent Morrison after us. Don't. Do that. Again. We'll be lucky to get out of here alive if you keep pushing our luck.

NED LEROUX

Look Bailey, I know it was stupid, but you told me to trust my gut in here. I felt like I needed to open it.I don't know how else to describe it, but I didn't do it thoughtlessly.

SAM BAILEY

(not worth fighting him on that)

Just... tell me if you feel anything pulling on you like that before you do anything.

(beat)

Let's keep moving.

The sound of dripping water form around them, like they're in a cave. A gentle whoosh begins as they move through this space via their intention.

NED LEROUX

Whoa...

SAM BAILEY

You good?

NED LEROUX

Yeah, I just... never figured out how to travel this way. (he looks over at Sam hesitantly) (MORE) NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

You scare me a little, you know that?

SAM BAILEY

The feeling is mutual.

NED LEROUX

(sarcastic)

I'm flattered.

SAM BAILEY

(ignoring Ned)

I think this is close to where I ran into Molly. Or... what's left of her.

There's a scuttling noise nearby -- Definitely human, but almost insect-like.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

Shit. Need to keep my focus. You keep yours too. Remember what we're here for.

5. CONTINUOUS

They continue floating and rushing through the Source, sounds of the cave fading away. Ned sees something.

NED LEROUX

There. You see that? I thought I saw someone up ahead.

SAM BAILEY

Keep focusing. We'll be there in no-

SAM GASPS as a figure suddenly appears in front of them... a very familiar figure.

NED LEROUX

Who is...

At the sound of Ned's voice, Anna turns. ANNA GASPS IN RELIEF, rushing up to them.

ANNA SHERIDAN

(relieved)

Sam! You're okay, you're here!

SAM BAILEY

(confused)

...Anna?

NED LEROUX

Oh my God.

ANNA SHERIDAN

(backing away, mounting
worry)

Wait... no... no, this isn't right.

(looking at Ned)

Who are you?

NED LEROUX

Ned Leroux. Why do you look so...

SAM BAILEY

Wait... Anna, you know me?

ANNA SHERIDAN

No, no, this isn't right...

Anna begins to back away in terror.

SAM BAILEY

Anna, listen to me -- I've been looking for you. We're here to take you back to the other side. It's time to go.

ANNA SHERIDAN

No! Something's wrong!

The air swirls around them. Anna looks behind Sam, AND SHE GASPS. Sam and Ned begin to look behind them.

ANNA SHERIDAN (CONT'D)

(terrified)

Don't look! Don't look behind you!

SAM BAILEY

What? Why?

ANNA SHERIDAN

This isn't the right time. You aren't here yet. Go where you need to be! RUN!

With her final word, SHE GRUNTS as she shoves them both away from her.

6. CONTINUOUS

Sam and Ned zoom away, faster than ever, through the swirling chaos of the Source. The sound of fire begins to pursue them.

What the hell is going on?!

NED LEROUX

You ever ride a bull, Bailey?

SAM BAILEY

What about me makes you think I have?!

NED LEROUX

It's like that... you've gotta get yourself under control! We've gotta hold on!

SAM GRUNTS as he grabs hold of Ned's arm. They cling to each other, attempting to calm down.

Eventually, the winds start to calm. In the distance, they begin to hear something... the sound of BILL SINGING.

SAM BAILEY

Wait... is that...

NED LEROUX

(excited, relieved,

emotional)

It's Bill, Sam! That's him! He's just--

They suddenly come to a hard stop, GRUNTING as they hit what feels like a transparent glass wall. They can now hear Bill's singing clearly, muffled by the barrier.

BILL TYLER

(singing; continuous in background)

There is a house down in New Orleans

They call the Rising Sun

And it's been the ruin of a many

poor boy

And me, oh God, for one

Then fill the glasses to the brim Let the drinks go merrily around And we'll drink to the health of a rounder poor boy Who goes from town to town

The only thing that a rounder needs
Is a suitcase and a trunk
And the only time he's satisfied
Is when he's on a drunk
(MORE)

BILL TYLER (CONT'D)

Now boys, don't believe what a girl tells you Though her eyes be blue or brown Unless she's on some scaffold high Saying, "Boys, I can't come down"

NED LEROUX

Oh my God. Bill!

SAM BAILEY

(worried)

He looks... awful.

NED LEROUX

(hitting the barrier)
Bill! Bill, can you hear us!

SAM BAILEY

It doesn't seem like he can.

NED LEROUX

(noticing something)

Wait... Bailey, you see what's in the corner there?

SAM BAILEY

That's a... what in the hell?

NED LEROUX

That, my dear Sam, is a mechanical bull.

SAM BAILEY

It's like your joke brought us here... somehow...

NED LEROUX

We've gotta figure out how to get to him. How do we do that?

SAM BAILEY

I know as much as you do, Ned. Try visualizing breaking through, see what that does.

Sam and Ned try for a couple of seconds.

NED LEROUX

(shaking head, worried)
I don't think it's gonna work like that, Sam.

(realizing)

It must be Bill!

NED LEROUX

What?

SAM BAILEY

This is Bill's creation, Ned. He's... somehow he's maintaining this barrier with the force of his will. Protecting himself from what's out here.

NED LEROUX

How do you figure that?

SAM BAILEY

We're seeing the same thing, aren't we? If this was a natural part of the Source, we'd both be seeing something different right now.

NED LEROUX

(realizing)

Shit, you're right.

The sound of fire can suddenly be heard behind them, far off for now.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

Shit. Shit, shit, shit...

SAM BAILEY

Morrison's gaining on us. We need to get in there.

NED LEROUX

(hitting the glass on each

word)

Let! Me! In!

NED STRAINS against the glass, GRUNTING. The sound of fire grows louder.

SAM BAILEY

Ned, try talking to Bill. I don't know if he can hear you, but he might feel you.

NED LEROUX

What's that supposed to do?

Just try it!

NED LEROUX

(desperate)

Okay, okay!

(he takes a deep breath,

then...)

Bill. Hear me. Let us in. Sam and I

are here to save you... you and

Rob. Where is Rob?

The fire roars behind them. Bill falters in his song...

BILL TYLER

(singing)

Go tell my...

(his concentration breaks,

he whispers)

Rob?

NED LEROUX

Bill. Bill, I need you.

Bill's concentration fully breaks below, and he looks up to see them just outside his barrier.

BILL TYLER

(softly)

Ned?

Bill's words echo in near quiet as the song cuts out suddenly. In an instant, the barrier breaks, sending NED AND SAM tumbling to the polished hardwood floor with GRUNTS.

7. CONTINUOUS

The same bassy, deep rumble that they heard on the beach earlier sends its warning again. BILL YELPS in alarm, backing away from his friends.

BILL TYLER

Stay away!

SAM BAILEY

It's us, Bill... We're really here.

BILL TYLER

No, no, no... there's no escaping from this place...

Listen to me. Morrison pulled Oslow into the Source, and you and Rob have been trapped here. We need to go, now.

Bill takes a good look at Ned.

NED LEROUX

(quiet longing)

...H-Hi.

BILL TYLER

(oddly choked up)

Hi.

NED LEROUX

(gently)

Where is Rob, Bill?

BILL TYLER

(struggling to remember)
We... we were pulled... in. We held
onto each other as long as we
could, but... I lost him. And I
ended up here. How long have I been
here?

SAM BAILEY

(quiet)

Shit.

NED LEROUX

Come here. Take my hand. You too, Sam.

He steps forward and grab's Bill's hand, then Sam's again.

NED LEROUX (CONT'D)

We're gonna find him. And fast. We don't have much time.

The sound of fire roars nearby.

BILL TYLER

How are we supposed to do that?

SAM BAILEY

Cling to the strongest memories that you have of Rob. We'll do the same. It should draw us towards him if we do it right. BILL TYLER

(unsure)

0-okay...

SAM BAILEY

I remember Rob's coffee order. Caramel macchiato.

BILL TYLER

(catching on)

He told me about how you tried to make him one.

SAM BAILEY

(SHUDDERS/CHUCKLES)

A disaster.

BILL TYLER

I remember the morning light on his cheekbones. How he looks, dozing there on his pillow in our apartment.

SAM BAILEY

I remember I could always count on him at staff parties. He didn't judge me for taking a quiet moment around him.

NED LEROUX

(with some sadness)

I remember how upset he looked when I showed up on Halloween to steal you away. I remember the way his eyes glared. The fire shining inside them.

BILL TYLER

Rob does have the best eyes. They're so expressive.

SAM BAILEY

This is good Bill, keep going.

BILL TYLER

We were able to cling to each other in here when we recited our poem. It's the poem we were studying when we first met. Should I...?

SAM BAILEY

Do it. Quick.

The fire is louder behind them.

BILL TYLER

He walks in beauty, like the night Of cloudless climes and starry skies;

A rushing moves them forward. Ned adjusts his hands and clings to both of them tighter.

NED LEROUX

Keep going, Bill.

BILL TYLER

And all that's best of dark and bright
Meet in his aspect, and his eyes

8. CONTINUOUS

The rushing stops, and they look around. They've found themselves in some kind of basement, with a clock ticking on the wall and furniture lining the walls.

They hear SHIVERING AND COUGHING.

BILL TYLER

(with growing hope, as he heads to a wardrobe) This basement looks familiar...

Bill opens a nearby wardrobe, and reveals Rob huddled and curled up inside.

ROBERT QUINCY

(terrified)

Bill! Wait...

Bill doesn't give him another second, crushing him in a tight hug. BILL CRIES SOFTLY.

ROBERT QUINCY (CONT'D)

(nervous, confused)

... How did you get here, Billy?

What... Sam? ... Ned?

The sound of a fire roars above, as if in the main house. The roar of Morrison's voice mingles with the fire.

EDGAR MORRISON (O.S.)

(booming, angry)

I will find you!

ROBERT QUINCY

(reverting to a terrified

child)

Oh god, my dad's so angry with me. We all need to hide.

SAM BAILEY

Rob, you aren't where you think you are. We need to leave. That voice that you heard is Morrison, not your father.

NED LEROUX

He's telling the truth, Rob... listen to him.

BILL TYLER

Just stay with me love, that's all you need to do.

Rob gingerly stands up out of the wardrobe, clinging to Bill.

ROBERT QUINCY

0-okay...

BILL TYLER

I know you're scared. I am too. Just hang on.

The four of them cling closer together, Sam and Ned making sure they've got each other tight.

SAM BAILEY

Ned?

NED LEROUX

Sam?

SAM BAILEY

It's time to get out of here.

NED LEROUX

Roger that.

Beat. Sam hesitates.

SAM BAILEY

Something's wrong. This was too easy.

Distant sound of fire roaring, getting closer.

NED LEROUX

We're out of time, Sam. Lead us out.

Sam takes a deep breath.

SAM BAILEY

(urgent, making sure
everyone understands)
I need everyone to take a deep
breath. Whatever happens, keep
thinking about Jerry and his house hold onto any strong memories you
have and keep your grip on each
other.

NED LEROUX

I remember his old truck. The way the dust clings to the tires.

SAM BAILEY

I remember Russel. He's so happy there, getting to play in that backyard. On all that land.

BILL TYLER

I... I remember helping him move his fridge in.

They begin to rush through the Source, the sounds of the basement and the roaring fire fading.

SAM BAILEY

Keep going, Bill.

BILL TYLER

The day was hot as hell, but then Jerry made us this incredible lemonade, with fresh lemons. I'd never had the real stuff before.

The sounds of fire grow again, in hot pursuit.

SAM BAILEY

Jerry's laugh. Jerry's disappointed sigh.

NED LEROUX

Jerry's suspicion. The way his porch light blinks in the night.

ROBERT QUINCY

Jerry kept me company while you all went to rescue Bill. I remember watching Tombstone with him.

The sound of the fire has faded again.

SAM BAILEY

It's working!

The deep, bassy rumble returns. Louder, stronger. ALL FOUR OF THEM CRY OUT IN PAIN.

SAM BAILEY (CONT'D)

(sudden terrified

realization)

Oh god... no no no, we're coming out of the Source too fast, something's pushing us, we're going to--

Before Sam can course-correct, they land hard in a jumble of limbs in the desert outside of Jerry's house with GRUNTS AND CRIES OF PAIN.

9. EXT. PRICE HOMESTEAD - BACKYARD - NIGHT - CONTINUOUS

The mysterious rumble is now distant, but in real life. ALL FOUR OF THEM GASP AND GROAN, sitting up quickly despite the pain.

NED LEROUX

(LAUGHING, relieved)

We made it!

BILL TYLER

(overwhelmed)

Oh my god, honey.

Bill embraces ROB, WHO SOBS INTO BILL'S ARMS. Russel barks in the distance.

JERRY PRICE

(distant)

Russel! Come back here, boy! Don't go outside!

SAM BAILEY

(seeing something in the distance, dread)

Oh my God...

The rumbling continues, horrifying and massive.

NED LEROUX

Is that...

SAM BAILEY

Yes. I'm afraid it is.

BILL TYLER

(calling over, still

hugging Rob)

What is it? What's wrong?

SAM BAILEY

It's Morrison. I can feel him now, down in the basin. He's back. And so is Oslow.

NED LEROUX

(realization)

You mean he...?

SAM BAILEY

(heavy with dread)

He tricked us, Ned... both of us. The trap was never meant to catch us... He needed us to guide him back. Him, and whatever he's turned Oslow into.

(beat)

And now we have.

The rumbling continues as the four of them stare out at the lights of the nightmare city.

CLACK. The recording ends.

ROLL END THEME AND CREDITS