

**FISH IN A BARREL**

“You are going to need more glitter.”  
“I thought that you were going to give me a road map.”  
“We are descending to another mode of existence.”  
“The descent into hell.”  
“If that is what you want to call it.”  
“What do you want to call it?”  
“We all have crosses eto bear.”  
“We need to take it back to the root.”  
“That is not a cross.”  
“What is it?”  
“I have a general thought.”  
“What else do you need to add?”  
“True love.”  
“Loss of emotion.”  
“Have we lost touch?”  
“I do not even think about it.”  
“I can teach her.”  
“She wants to learn.”  
“She is going to get stuck on the descent.”  
“It make sense.”  
“We are going to need to do some cutting.”  
“They put all the pieces back.”  
“I have not been feeling well.”  
“They brought me back to life.”  
“That is the part that I really want.”  
“And he makes it happen.”  
“I want you to witness my pain.”  
“Am I supposed to go back to my place and watch you roll all over the floor?”  
“That question can be answered.”  
“There is a serious side.”  
“I wish that was me”  
“It is you.”  
“That is the root of my caring.”  
“You need to think about it.”  
“This is a real challenge.”  
“So many combinations.”  
“That is a lot to consider.”  
“I was there for the sacrifice.”  
“You could tell me.”  
“That is what you truly like.”  
“I want to be liked.”

“You are much deeper than you know.”  
“Then you go back to the same job again and again.”  
“I am committed.”  
“You put in time.”  
“It could be to something else.”  
“He keep drawing me in.”  
“I continue to get better.”  
“Watch the hands.”  
“Someone has to care for the cat.”  
“He loves it all.”  
“She told me wha what you said about me.”  
“He can close this one.”  
“You did not pay close attention.”  
“Did you take something of mine?”  
“I AM EVERYWHERE EXTENSIVE.”  
“You cannot relate to me.”  
“STOP!”  
“We are prepared for you. And we have someone who has agreed to help us finish.”  
“That is all that it takes to warm your heart.”  
“It only takes nine years to realize that it is wrong.”  
“Or fifteen or twenty with a kid.”  
“That is all done for me.”  
“There is so much more time to wait.”  
“I am coming back for you.”  
“You are the coming back you.”  
“The story is going on a different direction.”  
“He is playing for the long term.”  
“His social life is a filing system.”  
“He is not the only one.”  
“And they object to you creating files.”  
“What is he afraid of.”  
“That no one cares.”  
“They believe that he has it.”  
“We do not want to hear it.”  
“I need someone to get it.”  
“Really get it.”  
“Get it.”  
“Get it for me.”  
“I have food.”  
“You cannot even get purpose.”  
“I do not want to be interrupted from my commitments.”  
“You are writing a pretty person anthology.”  
“What are you talking about?”

“Look at yourself in a mirror.”  
“I want to eat.”  
“I have heard that too many times.”  
“She could find the reason.”  
“The time is up.”  
“Clean it up.”  
“You needed to be quick.”  
“It is up to you to interpret.”  
“This is not about interpretation.”  
“Do I need to look?”  
“You will always need to loo.”  
“It is struggling.”  
“Who is defending that.”  
“This is all about you.”  
“Figure it out.”  
“What else do you do in the day?”  
“You are already out of the show/”  
“You destroyed it so many times for the rest of us.”  
“You move on after the destruction.”  
“What will the others do.”  
“I am saving it.”  
“There is nothing more to want.”  
“I wish. I am trying to help out. You will never know. You are so accustomed to controlling others. You are trying to hold yourself to a standard.”  
“It looks like trash.”  
“I have an inside track.”  
“Every explanation is so simple.”  
“Dodo.”  
“I sleep through my life.”  
“Dodo.”  
“Metro.”  
“There is no revolutionary consciousness.”  
“You have personalized everything to such a degree.”  
“Ouch!”  
“I have seen that before.”  
“It is the same thing but more me.”  
“That once made a difference.”  
“There is cash.”  
“I need more of the same thing.”  
“You have seen nothing like it.”  
“I do not want to interrupt.”  
“I need to make power moves.”  
“I look in the mirror, and I announce who I am.”

“By the time that you get here, you are so far gone.”  
“Give me a meal.”  
“Take out the garbage.”  
“Hug me.”  
“It is coming at us from two sides.”  
“She made a beeline to the sideline.”  
“What is missing?”  
“A music.”  
“An ideology.”  
“A language.”  
“A grunt.”  
“A grunt heard around the world.”  
“An audience.”  
“An audience surrounding the world.”  
“What are you doing? Your empirical bull shit dance. You see what you want to see.”  
“Do you read what is written?”  
“One way or another.”  
“How do you roll?”  
“What is your problem?”  
“You understand part of the the challenge.”  
“We could go deeper.”  
“I want to be part of that show.”  
“You are everything. That is why you do not need words.”  
“Mother taught me.”  
“She did not.”  
“But someone pointed you in this direction.”  
“I am floating on the surface.”  
“There are people who understand connotation.”  
“Then there is the formation of meaning.”  
“Then there is just this shit.”  
“I want to eat.”  
“You will have to wait until the next meal.”  
“Feast with your eyes.”  
“See with the soul.”  
“I want it to mean something.”  
“You are going to have to carry on.”  
“We have two ways of living.”  
“When will that be?”  
“There are alternatives.”  
“We all have a script. We all have a show.”  
“Do it.”  
“Do it.”  
“Shit, this has really fallen by the wayside.”

“It was not worth it.”  
“Who bothers? Who cares.”  
“I only need this little square of poetry.”  
“Built on it.”  
“Claim it.”  
“They have been claiming it all night.”  
“Astrid, I need you to stand in for me”  
“Something needs to be more permanent.”  
“Step up.”  
“Step down.”  
“This was all so automatic.”  
“Automatically.”  
“I can go along.”  
“How long?”  
“I only need one fantasy.”  
“You are in it.”  
“I have been anesthetized.”  
“That worked for me.”  
“That is the sum total of your planning.”  
“That is a little too difficult.”  
“What are you saving for?”  
“The mess stayed there.”  
“I cannot save this forever.”  
“Hold your breath.”  
“It could be the weather.”  
“It is the place.”  
“It is almost the place.”  
“How does that balance?”  
“This is when it really gets boring.”  
“I do have one other question.”  
“I got the faces wrong.”  
“How do I sort it out?”  
“You sit there, and they bring you food.”  
“I have worked hard.”  
“How? Making sure that they would bring you food.”  
“I gave my time.”  
“What would you have been doing?”  
“I would be playing video games.”  
“Hammering the room together.”  
“I am hammered.”  
“What are you talking about?”  
“Ask me.”  
“This is when I wonder if you have anywhere else to be.”

“This is a subset of a set.”  
“A whole lot of nobody.”  
“Concentrate.”  
“I think about it for a while. It is a repeated fantasy.”  
“Then you are living it.”  
“She has no understanding of the world. She is dead before she is living.”  
“I have other things to think about.”  
“Complete the problem.”  
“Complete the life.”  
“Do you see it.”  
“Can you stop it?”  
“Those are the casualties of the night.”  
“I want a little more.”  
“I cannot here a thing.”  
“I need you.”  
“I have never been needed like that before.”  
“This is too much to worry about.”  
“You could be the whole story.”  
“You could be the whole story.”  
“You could never be the story.”  
“Shit!”  
“We are getting closer.”  
“Your hair.”  
“Your shoes.”  
“It all comes to me.”  
“It is all me.”  
“You made me sick.”  
“Accident.”  
“There is no line.”  
“Be on it.”  
“There is no expectation.”  
“What do you want?”  
“What you have?”  
“Balance.”  
“Why does that work for a million?”  
“Why does that work for anyone?”  
“I pick you out of a crowd.”  
“I get a car.”  
“I scrape the bottom of the barrel.”  
“Look at me. I hate this.”  
“I love the shoes.”  
“I wrote a love story.”  
“Who really cares?”

“He doesn’t care about you. He has millions.”  
“Caring.”  
“One act of caring.”  
“This is your forever.”  
“This is all about the burning bush.”  
“I am good with miracles.”  
“Please not me.”  
“Please me.”  
“This is brilliant.”  
“It is not.”  
“The fish are trying to escape.”  
“We all try to escape.”  
“Who is the one who will share.”  
“I have a lot to say.”  
“How do you hold it together.”  
“The first wave can be written off. They are too comfortable being uncomfortable.”  
“Do not tell me that this is bad.”  
“I do not want to watch this anymore.”  
“That is too much savings.”  
“I cannot get enough momentum to get out.”  
“This is the lab.”  
“I only know or remember.”  
“Should that matter?”  
“The movie or the land.”  
“Give it back.”  
“This is going to be the best moment.”  
“Tell me true.”  
“Guppy fish memory.”  
“You can circuit a bunch of fish together.”  
“We are going places.”  
“That is what I live on.”  
“Hunger.”  
“Purpose.”  
“Face recognition.”  
“Face rejection.”  
“Everyone sees that.”  
“Everyone hurts tht way.”  
“That way.”  
“I am getting over this.”  
“How many goldfish does it take to get over this?”  
“It depends on how you hook up the goldfish.”  
“I have been electrocuted.”  
“I need to disengage.”

“The fish are floating to the top.”  
“They are not going to offer much.”  
“Feed me chicken.”  
“Feed me fish food.”  
“You are what you eat.”  
“I am going to remember that.”  
“Give me loads of memories.”  
“Give me bad memories.”  
“I am flashing.”  
“How did I get here?”  
“The highway to hell.”  
“This is not so bad.”  
“I want more life.”  
“There are numerous chances to get this right.”  
“I think about what is on the plate.”  
“Get in my face.”  
“Do not get in my face.”  
“This is human history from the point of view of a goldfish.”  
“Blub, blub!”  
“You can escape.”  
“Do not burn down the house.”  
“What did you cook?”  
“Plastic.”  
“We cannot get deeper.”  
“She changes things.”  
“You could do so much more more.”  
“A goldfish soap opera.”  
“Those who want to leave the boat.”  
“What else is there.”  
“Different ways different plays.”  
“Love me now.”  
“Do I need to watch this.”  
“You are gushing.”  
“We are going to need to plant roots.”  
“The fish are coming on the land.”  
“What is that about?”  
“I hear this too much.”  
“This is hope for the future.”  
“Love me, or leave me.”:  
“Shit!”  
“All the fish are jumping ship.”  
“He is a good replacement.”  
“These are killer fish.”



“This is the development of society.”  
“I would spend money on money.”  
“It had to be you.”  
“You have what you need.”  
“You have what you need.”  
“I destroyed you all.”  
“Why is that a new beginning?”  
“Ask the fish.”  
“They are offering a pattern.”  
“You will hit jackpot.”  
“I feel limited.”  
“That would work for me.”  
“Roll over.”  
“Do not hurt the fish.”  
“I am almost there.”  
“Out of my face.”  
“My face.”  
“What are your aspirations?”  
“I have made it up the hill.”  
“Then you stop.”  
“No one can go further. They have a brake on your further development.”  
“You are asking for something that you should never ask for.”  
“Truth.”  
“That is available.”  
“You need to make it mean something more.”  
“This is killing me.”  
“This guy is along for the ride.”  
“And I just rose from the dead.”  
“Honey, you are a swimmer too.”  
“What more do you want to know?”  
“Who put the sauce in the sauce?”  
“It will be a step.”  
“I could be better.”  
“You are not dealing with champions.”  
“What are you asking from me?”  
“You know. But you are really deep.”  
“You cannot invest the world.”  
“I want that.”  
“You expect a continuity that does not exist.”  
“I thought about this.”  
“I did too.”  
“I can get it so wrong. All those wrongs make a right.”  
“How is that?”

“A place holder.”  
“My group will do better.”  
“This is your chance.”  
“I am trying to help.”  
“How is that even possible?”  
“What kind of selection is that?”  
“Bring around the lamb chop.”  
“And I see what really matters.”  
“You matter.”  
“And you think that you are going to escape.”  
“I map it all out.”  
“How did it end like this?”  
“You tried to fuck with too many people.”  
“This is sharing.”  
“The whites of you eyes.”  
“The walls have eyes.”  
“We can try to make it mean something.”  
“I can sit in corner and think about shit like that.”  
“You can make the deal.”  
“People care.”  
“Resemblance.”  
“Then I realize what you are.”  
“A sardine in a can.”  
“Is that pure?”  
“That is as good as it gets.”  
“Get good.”  
“After a while, it is so boring.”  
“You hate him for a different reason.”  
“How did we get all the way back here?”  
“There are multiple identities.”  
“I want to understand your motives.”  
“Does the world hate me?”  
“How did you find the world?”  
“HELP!”  
“One bad person.”  
“Made my world.”  
“You need to ask.”  
“I am a wizard.”  
“I need some of this.”  
“It is not what it seems to be.”  
“I can think about it for days.”  
“You are my religion.”  
“One goal.”

“Maybe, something hidden.”  
“This is the hidden mix.”  
“Nothing too upsetting.”  
“No questions asked.”  
“That is all there is to it.”  
“How did we get like this?”  
“No questions asked.”  
“You are the best at this.”  
“What is that?”  
“I want to die with you.”  
“The goldfish need more time.”  
“The revolution of biology.”  
“We go for an economic revolution.”  
“History is moving in that direction.”  
“You have it so good. I wish that you could gain more consciousness.”  
“Do not insult me. I am an artist. Not one of the goldfish.”  
“I need to go there with a helper.”  
“Take some paper.”  
“It is not there.”  
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“Mistakes are part of the show.”  
“The show.”  
“I am not here to save.”  
“You slice off part of the skin.”  
“What are you doing? Are you going to clone me?”  
“Do you have smart things to share.”  
“Do you really care that much.”  
“They will love me so much.”  
“There are a million fish in the sea.”  
“Way more than that.”  
“I have this pond down.”  
“I have competition.”  
“I will complete this at another time.”  
“This is difficult to take.”  
“This is called locked in.”  
“You need to save yourself.”  
“I am making a money decision.”  
“That is safe stuff.”  
“I have questions.”  
“Then I really have questions.”  
“They are destroying you.”  
“You will pilot the spacecraft.”  
“Ride well.”

“What are you looking for?”  
“This is not permanent.”  
“What is?”  
“You are.”  
“But what am I?”  
“I am glad that you did not interfere.”  
“Ask.”  
“That seems to be everything.”:  
“That is the best that we can do for here.”  
“You are a special goldfish.”  
“There are other names for these fish.  
“Who do you want to be?”  
“That is not enough.”  
“That is what you took.”:  
“That is a fair deal.”  
“I get electrocuted.”  
“What kind of judgement is that?”  
“I can appeal.”  
“The fantasy and a good meal.:  
“There is much more to humanity.”  
“There is not enough here.”  
“There is really nothing here.”  
“She is coming back.”  
“The parting shot.”  
“I want more.”  
“You will take it.”  
“I need to push it.”  
“Waste it.”  
“Waste it.”  
“It is the principle.”  
“That is all silly.”  
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“You turn it into an advantage.”  
“That does not work for me.”  
“The whole continent drifts off.”  
“You let the goldfish write history.”  
“I am trying to achieve something consistent.”  
“Better than this nonsense.”  
“There is one more night.”  
“They want a lot of money for their shit.”  
“You are going to get so much better.”  
“I do not want to listen to that shit over and over again.”  
“She is waiting to throw me off.”

“Thank you.”  
“You are being thanked.”:  
“The universe told you shit.”  
“I know.”  
“What is the fear?”  
“I am doing my mathematics homework.”  
“I might have said no.”  
“You didn’t say a thing.”  
“That is almost worse,”  
“I threw the fish back.”  
“Did you take a bite?”  
“That will work for me in some kind of blue flame addictive way.”  
“Do you fire this stuff up?”  
“It makes it better.”  
“What is the idea?”  
“Is there just one week in the year.”  
“You need to be able to push it.”  
“I can take an active role.”  
“That is hopeless.”  
“That is pure hope.”  
“She is waiting for me.”  
“Now, she has a job.”  
“I have a purpose.:  
“I am going to own this”  
“But you do not.”  
“I do.”  
“What else do you do?”  
“I balance a ball on the edge of my nose.”  
“There are other fish.”  
“There are pure fish.”  
“Is there any doubt?”  
“You are a justification for the existence of a higher power.”  
“Then we want to hear more.”  
“I get it.”  
“That would not work anywhere else.”  
“It works here.”  
“You object.”  
“I am dressed for success.”  
“You crushed that.”  
“You do not get the grand plan.”  
“I need you to interrupt.”  
“Find the fish expert.”  
“Mr. Fisher.”

“He is very busy.”

“He wants to hear this.”