

THE LOSS AND THE LOST

I had promised to review the accounts. Perhaps, there was all this hidden value, and I could just wring it out. It would take an effort, and I would need to circumspect. What else could I do? I was trying to describe some kind of inherent value.”

“Have you determined what are all the key assets?”

“There is a lot of drag on the revenues, and it is going to threaten the available assets. There are machines in ill-repair. And the longer that they sit, the more that they lose any real value. This is lessening the value of the business. You act as if it is a diamond in the rough. There may be nothing but coal there.”

“Why is that a reward?”

“This was going to be so exciting.”

“And when is this going to end?”

“He could sell stuff.”

“There is too much on my flank.”

“I get it.”

“There is only one way that could work this.”

“Do you want me to transcribe what I am saying?”

“I am falling apart as you watch.”

“I wish that I could explain.”

“The echo is massive.”

“What have I been listening to?”

“The decline is lasting interminably.”

“There is a lot of demand.”

“The biting down.”

“The heating up.”

“The explosion.”

“We need you.”

“The truck is broken down.”

“This could not be worse, and you are hanging on.”

“I waited.”

“People have killed for less.”

“Eat everything on your plate.”

“We had some great desserts.”

“That is impossible.”

“And I ended up here.”

“Thanks for your support.”

“Who will find me?”

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“That is not what I am looking for.”

“I could not have been any faster.”

“I want to congratulate you.”

“They understand me.”

“I am having a great deal of trouble reviewing these assets.”

“Where is the good will.”

“He is obsessed with the currency exchange.”

“Who else is helping?”

“I am so over this.”

“I need to confess.”

“Embezzlement.”

“I avoid surveillance.”

“You are still falling apart.”

“Will this work?”

“I thought that we would be better at this.”

“Do you really sound like that?”

“I opened the door, and all the shit fell out.”

“I need to take a while.”

“And it is going to balance.”

“Everything is foggy.”

“What do you want to happen?”

“I am going to need to generalize.”

“You can do it for me.”

“How did you get the truck moving.”

“I swapped out the computer.”

“I talk to that damn thing.”

“I am hovering.”

“You understand it better than I do.”

“What did that audit discover?”

“I cannot listen to that.”

“That truck really sings.”

“I grasp all that.”

“You tell me.”

“And you do tell me.”

“And I wait for that.”

“There will be no answer.”

“There will be an answer.”

“It is a matter of time before it all crashes again.”

“That makes my night.”

“What are we sharing?”

“A lack of understanding.”

“Do you know that I needed to wait through?”

“And the audit is complete.”

“Livy could describe it all.”

“That do you expect.”

“This is a nice balance.”

“Are we kidding?”

“We are not.”
“It is not there you are; it is where you are going.”
“Any puzzle is equal to any other.”
“Until you are back at that shitty job again.”
“How will this go down?”
“There is money on this.”
“There is time on this.”
“Where did they go?”
“I could have decided to wait.”
“And you find inner strength.”
“This is next to impossible.”
“But it is not impossible.”
“What needs to be said.”
“Do not interrupt me.”
“Then it happens again.”
“This is going to all turn to shit.”
“And you are going to be different.”
“What is really there?”
“When we get to the next phase, what is there?”
“I cannot think about it.”
“I cannot worry about it.”
“And that is going to work for you.”
“I could spend more money on this. What would be the return?”
“There is not return on any of this.”
“This is destroying the vibe.”
“You are so deep in your book.”
“And this will work.”
“What turns you on?”
“Send me an angel.”
“She is coming.”
“That is everything.”
“That still will not solve anything.”
“There is a moment when I wonder if this is going anywhere.”
“Solve this for me.”
“That is not a solution to anything.”
“That looks a little clownish.”
“What is the reference pont.”
“Too much excitement in one place.”
“We are back to where we were.”
“The innocents have been slaughtered.”
“Fucking facts on the ground.”
“That will shut everyone up.”
“We need to make a move.”

“I want to end this.”
“That could be my show.”
“It is your show.”
“What are you doing?”
“Looking for the hidden assets.”
“There is a lot of debt here.”
“They traded it for more lip.”
“And what good is that going to do.”
“I have been watching you.”
“Are you some kind of tax attorney?”
“That is stuff that I have forgotten about.”
“You could ask.”
“I have one thing to say to you.”
“We are both doing the same thing.”
“And you think that there is more money here.”
“There is a lot of produce.”
“We can last a long time.”
“The trucks are all empty.”
“Everything lies fallow in the field.”
“There is a body in the truck.”
“Is he still alive?”
“We are all live.”
“How does that work?”
“A lot about memory.”
“I am fading.”
“The truck was full of stolen paintings.”
“There is too much static on that channel.”
“The insulation is not very good.”
“You always have excuses.”
“How does that matter?”
“We are getting closer to the answer?”
“Euler got it.”
“When did he know definitively?”
“It took a couple of weeks.”
“That was a good place to start.”
“I cannot explain marshmallows to anyone.”
“That could be everything.”
“That is already an everything.”
“This is new and improved.”
“Where is the box?”
“I want to put it back in the box.”
“I was trying to be nice.”
“I am not involved in this.”

“When do we dissolve the partnership?”
“Should I incorporate?”
“I should have saved more.”
“Why didn’t you?”
“Take care of me.”
“I needed to pay for therapy.”
“I have a mechanic. My car works so well.”
“That is not going to tell you anything.”
“You are my ghost of Christmas past.”
“Will this continue?”
“I can add more to the mix.”
“Why did you stop?”
“My accountant told me that the business was not going anywhere.”
“Nothing moves.”
“We need to feel better about this.”
“I do not want to ask.”
“Tell me about it.”
“I am saving this.”
“Does it work?”
“Are you going to drink that?”
“No one should.”
“That is more than disturbing.”
“It will be.”
“That is not supposed to hurt.”
“Drive another nail.”
“Look at the thieves.”
“They never took anything that they couldn’t return for a refund.”
“Stop loss had them all the way.”
“There is extra garbage.”
“Take a stroll on the beach.”
“The oil tanker is spilling.”
“Can you afford this?”
“No one gets saved.”
“What could that mean?”
“Are you kidding?”
“Not at all.”
“Dusk needs help.”
“That will come later.”
“The cult of responsibility.”
“My father told me about that.”
“I have no relatives.”
“Self-generation is always possible.”
“You needed to outline your beliefs.”

“We keep that shit hidden.”

“How does anyone know if she has deviated?”

“This is supposed to mean something.”

“Inevitably, it does.”

“Any form of therapy will work.”

“But it may not bring sufficient knowledge for any kind of self-knowledge.”

“You get fooled by your own shit again and again.”

“That is how the book works.”

“I only want to sleep.”

“What is the dream?”

The manifesto had gone into a second printing.

“What do you care?”

Dusk got ready in complete darkness.

“I have a sixth sense.”

That understanding was not going to last.

“All this seemed to matter.”

“Who is paying for this?”

“I am off for four days.”

“I am battling dark angels.”

“That is not going to amount for much of anything.”

“How can we make these words amount for more than they are?”

From this point on, I listened.

“What is your name?”

“I am getting so confused.”

She was watching Dusk. And she was trying to mimic her gestures.

“All of you need to go.”

“What did it mean to try and come out with a clean slate?”

“There are moments that you are not all there. We are talking, and you just check out.

Where are you headed?”

“I am not part of this at all.”

“What is really going on?”

“Do you see what you’re up to?”

“You are not a good example.”

“Is Dusk trying to be an example to anyone?”

Are you scratching that itch?”

“When I get too distracted, I say things that I should not.”

“Have you reported the conversation accurately?”

“Who do you really love?”

“This is the moment that I am all myself.”

“I have my eyes on all of you.”

“You will be missed.”

“Do you want to interfere in our lives?”

“I am not sure what I want to do.”

“How are we different?”
Where was this dance going?
“This is probably about forgiveness.”
“This is about sacrifice.”
“I want to let go.”
“Just let go.”
“Where did you find me?”
“I have been cut down to size.”
“Why do we even know about this stuff?”
“This was not going to take me anywhere else.”
“Tell me the history.”
“Do not even bother.”
“We changed our plan.”
“I will be right back.”
“And what did you like about this?”
I was trying to remember what we talked about.
“Who are you? Why should we care?”
“There is too much caring.”
“We have all been distracted.”
“This is back to ordinary stuff.”
“What does this come down to.”
“We will be there for you.”
“There is nowhere else to be.”
“We are a million places at once.”
“This has to be some really crazy shit.”
“That is what they call it.”
“I have been through that before.”
“You have a body.”
“Fun and rejection.”
“Confusion.”
“Do not threaten me.”
“I can be more than that.”
“There is a card that comes with the movie.”
“You are too quick to judge me.”
“If there was no judgement, there would be no class.”
“What is the theme?”
“The present as the last judgement.”
“How does that work?”
“I did not sign up for that.”
“Fill up the sonic space.”
“I need more clarity.”
“What else are you doing?”
“I am stripping down to nothing.”

“What is nothing?”
“This could not be more wonderful.”
“There are so many parts to the body.”
“And I will walk away.”
“You do not know what this is all about.”
“We are all graduating.”
“Did you learn the lesson?”
“We defend the world.”
“We threaten the world.”
“We destroy the world.”
“You brought this on yourself.”
“What bothers you?”
“There is one world.”
“And you are trying to make it seem as many.”
“It all splits apart.”
“What is the memory?”
“This is all part of the pattern.”
“I am getting distracted.”
“You act as if you are dealing with some deep inspiration.”
“We all want the same thing.”
“The shark is escaping.”
“There is no balance.”
“What else are you trying to say to me?”
“Do you know that I am all together?”
“I was in the right place. Now, I am not in a place.”
“Where was this headed?”
“You cannot be a million places at once.”
“I have my assassins.”
Dusk has already crossed over from another plane of existence.
“This means coming to a resolution.”
“Do not go that way.”
“Do not do this.”
“Everything is happening in another circle.”
“Should I wait?”
“It will come to all of us.”
“She will come to all of us.”
“That is all there is.”
“I am certain.”
“That is all there is to it.”
“That meant something to me.”
“Too many friends in the circle right now.”
“You need to stand up for something.”
“What does it mean to go along.”

“That is a kind of perfection.”
“Have you sold the property?”
“You need to find a deal.”
“I am going to dump it all.”
“I am giving you what I need.”
“This would be so simple.”
“Who are you paying?”
“There are no payments to be made.”
“Where are you coming from?”
“When will this even matter?”
If Dusk says too much, then she is going to upset the apple cart.
“Darling, what are your secrets?”
“I hate the people that I have loved.”
“And that would make sense.”
“What does this face mean?”
“This means a thousand other faces.”
“This is very, very simple.”
“What am I after?”
“What does it mean if was really coincide?”
“I could keep on with the description.”
“I loved you enough to love you.”
“This should be finished.”
“You cannot help.”
“How are you keeping time?”
“Who are you helping to keep time?”
“This is the face that you need to adopt.”
“Is this honesty?”
“I am waiting for a clear description.”
“I am hoping to get out of here.”
“I have no idea how I am going to get home.”
“Wait outside, and some motorist will take pity on you.”
“I am not looking for pity.”
“There is brilliance.”
“That is more than I can deal with.”
“You can hit all the variation. But you already have enough self-confidence.”
“We are on the verge of understanding.”
“Do we even have time for that?”
“Which one do you take?”
“I am waiting for something special.”
“That is what I like to see.”
“You see what he is really about.”
“You see that he is a piece of shit.”
“I need to get this fixed right away.”

“There is no fixing any of this.”
“You are on the right track.”
“I need an audience.”
“There are multiple facets to my personality, and I need to keep track of them all.”
“That is big.”
“It needs to be bigger.”
“Who is going to help?”
“She goes by different names.”
“Did you keep track of all that shit?”
“How is it helping the world?”
“I love it.”
“I am a bad mother fucker.”
“That does not fit for this show.”
“I get up a head of steam. Then I lose my way.”
“There are a bunch of characters that I know.”
“I know, and I realize.”
“We are on a different track.”
“I shed all the influences.”
“What is left?”
“I am not a stepping stone.”
“I am only along for the ride.”
“Who is the driver?”
“What was taken away from you?”
“You need to live.”
“We are survivors here.”
“I am dying to see you.”
“So are my twenty-four million other followers.”
“It only gets better.”
“Can you smooth this over?”
“Unplug everything.”
“That is not going to work.”
“The cure is coming.”
“You need to leave the house.”
“I am trying to do a portrait.”
“The sun has set.”
“The perfect potato chip.”
“There is an undercurrent.”
“Purity has been attained.”
“This was what we always needed.”
“We have been eaten up by our rivalries.”
“That is hardly the basis for rejection.”
“Time and tide wait for no one.”
“Who is waiting?”

“What is the dialogue to accompany your life?”

“The humanity is being taken from me.”

“What is left?”

“Bones and shadows.”

“Is Dusk still a witness?”

“There is a labor hierarchy.”

“Some feel the exploitation more. Others believe that rescue is only a short time away.”

“And it is.”

“What did you steal from me?”

“Love is only a breath away.”

“We are going to have to do some deep accounting this week.”

“Quit breaking things.”

“What is the objection?”

“You can summarize it in a few words.”

“I need to do my best.”

“I want to stop this.”

“I need to end this.”

“We need to start earlier.”

“This is all done.”

“We will make it work.”

“Are we supposed to meet?”

“There are different timelines.”

“That is what she said.”

“I feel as if I am trying to use you.”

“What is the trick here?”

“They try to make everyone turn state’s evidence.”

“There is some RICO shit here.”

“They believe their own shit.”