

**ELUSIVE IRIS**

“Why would I come to the event? Iris is not going to be there.”

“She is elusive, and she is going to be there.”

“Who is elusive Iris?”

“I am still trying to figure out.”

“I honestly wonder who she is.”

“We all do.”

“Is there a center of gravity?”

“There is a center of gravity.”

“This is the last wish.”

“I need to confess.”

“I constructed a satisfaction loop.”

“I cause pain.”

“Of course, you did.”

“Was there any cutting?”

“I can’t stay.”

“What I hoped that you would do in her place.”

“It doesn’t hurt to ask.”

“This all happened before I arrived.”

“This would be so simple for you.”

Iris does not worry. She does not think about it.

“I dressed to be like her and to look like her.”

“You are engaging in so much emotional work to escape your life. It is difficult being in your vicinity without having that feeling of total stress.”

“THESE BIG GROUPS OF PEOPLE.”

“I cannot venture out on my own.”

“YOU ARE WORKING, AND I RESPECT THAT.”

“I am involved in deep play 24/7, and this is my prayerbook.”

“We have different rules.”

“That would be like working with you.”

“We could work together.”

“To make this the perfect moment, we have to plan.”

“We could do the love thing.”

“I got taken out of here in one night.”

“And Iris showed up.”

“This person we see.”

“And Iris, who she is? But she does not show up.”

“I am a representative.”

“This is what I care about.”

“That is a thrill.”

“These are all thrills.”

“These are feelings that are so far beyond thrills.”

“These are chills.”  
“This is underground.”  
“Put it in a box.”  
“Once there was a woman named Iris.”  
“This could be Jack’s story.”  
“No one will clean up your shit.”  
“There is a committee.”  
“He needs to keep talking.”  
“He needs to keep caring.”  
“We found a group for you.”  
“We found a place for Iris.”  
“What do you do on your off time?”  
“What truly gets you off?”  
“You could do it.”  
“Does Iris have manifesto?”  
“I wake up in the morning.”  
“I go to work.”  
“I love.”  
“I develop other emotions, and I have clothes to represent those feelings.”  
“Who is helping you?”  
“There is a tear.”  
“How do you rip hard?”  
“You do not even live here.”  
“That will not change it.”  
“You stole it, and now you want to say that it never happened.”  
“You are running the view.”  
“I once had questions.”  
“Mostly play.”  
“Why can’t we be more serious.”  
“Iris needs to ask Lincoln.”  
“What does this do for you? There is so much time of doing nothing for yourself.”  
“I do all this for you.”  
“You are tied so tight.”  
“It needs to make a difference.”  
“Beyond eating and sleeping.”  
“I need on real moment.”  
“There is the big fall.”  
“And we get saved at the last minute.”  
“Lincoln is a cynic.”  
“I want to understand Iris better.”  
“Ask Lincoln.”  
“He does not even know her.”  
“But he knows that there is this gap where she once existed.”

“You only see it that way because life is different for you.”

“What is unusual?”

“I am like you. But I am what you become when you realize that you cannot keep being the way that you are, and you start to change the rhythm.”

“The vibe.”

“We are too far along to start.”

“I could change.”

“You need new wardrobe.”

“Illya, are you asking me to do something that I cannot do.”

“I feel it inside.”

“This waits so long to start.”

“And that is how you interpret it.”

“I can no longer fill in for the silence.”

“You came to my rescue. Then you disappeared.”

“You disappeared.”

“That is not going to make much difference.”

“You are too invested in the bull shit.”

“We all are.”

“Some of us look way better doing it.”

“She changed the cut.”

“She dyed it.”

“Here we go.”

“You are so tight.”

“That is why nothing is happening.”

“You gave me back something that you took from me.”

“You act all crazy, and you assume that the world wants to watch.”

“This is my crazy dance.”

“I have talked to thousands of people.”

“Different cultures.”

“Ask me.”

“They all ask me.”

“I SPENT SO MUCH OF MY LIFE DOING THIS IN PUBLIC HOPING THAT SOMEONE WOULD CARE FOR ME. AND IT DIDN'T MATTER A BIT. HERE, I AM NOW. I WANT TO GO HOME.”

“What is your difference?”

“Politics.”

“They hate us.”

“They love us.”

“I take care of it on my own.”

“Just saying that extra sentence seems to make it clear.”

“Down, boy.”

“I am angry about shit.”

“I knew it.”

“If I said it was about class consciousness, would that make a difference to you? That these terrible things are a result from exploitation. And you have the power to start to change some of those effects. You can consider other emotions. Then you can start to do some real analysis.”

“My only analysis is on the screen.”

“I want someone who sympathizes.”

“You love your shit.”

“Are you a member of the program?”

“We all have someone that we want to believe.”

“Then we can blame him.”

“Then you can blame me.”

“And you can blame me.”

“And you can blame me.”

“I am here.”

“I got stood up.”

“I got tossed out.”

“This is the beginning of your political understanding.”

“I am lying on my bed.”

“This is real drama.”

“Iris could take over.”

“I cannot find her.”

“Everyone has an Iris.”

“Not really.”

“This is not some ordinary Debbie that you are lusting after, Johnny. This is real shit.”

“What do you see in this?”

“Caring.”

“Extra caring.”

“I care everything for you.”

“Then you shit on me.”

“Fuck.”

“Can you express your dilemma more effectively?”

“I was almost there.”

“You are sad.”

“Now, you pay the piper.”

“What currency are you using?”

“The pound of flesh.”

“This is nasty.”

“Why did history go this way?”

“Cultures of blood sacrifice.”

“Filthy lucre.”

“And you care about such things.”

“I freak out on myself, and I go to work.”

“I am so done.”

“I am going down another rabbit hole.”:  
 “Then I found that there are no rabbits in there.”  
 “He is watching our for me.”  
 “Of course, he is.”  
 “I can explain what it takes to get there.”  
 “We can go together.”  
 “Like dental pain.”  
 “I do not want to wait in line for this.”  
 “I am preparing for the dance.”  
 “My whole body will quake.”  
 “I need someone to come out of the hutch.”  
 “Ivan is obvious.”  
 “Ace is out in the open.”  
 “She walks as if she has a mission.”  
 “Her only mission is finding a parking space.”  
 “What do you know?”  
 “I am really dying here.”  
 “Who is part of the ensemble?”  
 “We could switch roles.”  
 “That is all that I need.”  
 “You were mine.”  
 “Iris, you could be Astrid. Astrid could be Murana.”  
 “That is the last book.”  
 “What took us to this point?”  
 “Dance lessons.”  
 “They all love me now.”  
 “I do not want to be loved. I want to be revered.”  
 “How does that work?”  
 “A prayer.”  
 “Something supernatural.”  
 “And this means something.”  
 “They are patrolling the streets.”  
 “What is happening out there?”  
 “What is already happening out there?”  
 “How did you get in to my place?”  
 “Is this a trade off?”  
 “I am going to take five thousand pages to describe this, and it is going to result in a smile  
 and a prayer.”  
 “Love me.”  
 “I will pray to you.”  
 “I will pray with you.”:  
 “CURE ME!”  
 “That is a big waste of time.”

“I love the taste.”  
“Blood in the mouth.”  
“You are going to have to be fucking brilliant to pull this off.”  
“What are you doing?”  
“Counting cards.”  
“Waiting for my moment.”  
“Waiting for my true life.”  
“I paid for that shit.”  
“I need to keep on.”  
“You only understand this on one level.”  
“I cannot care.”  
“There are various levels of caring.”  
“The empath.”  
“Faith healing.”  
“Did I do that before.”  
“You have arrived.”  
“We have arrived together.”  
“I am back in the shit.”  
“Who is the driver?”  
“The car is self-driven.”  
“All about destinations.”  
“Maybe, I want to go somewhere else.”  
“This is all about planning.”  
“And draining your energy.”  
“And waiting on the impossible.”  
“We are good on intent.”  
“Understand these systems.”  
“No one would have realized why we are the way that we are.”  
“What if he really told it like it is? He would reflect on the imperial understanding.”  
“What is the root?”  
“What is the root?”  
“This is rootless.”  
“All imagination.”  
“Not organic.”  
“This will never happen.”  
“This cannot possibly happen.”  
“He wants to do this twice in one day.”  
“Lightning strikes.”  
“I get high.”  
“Send her to me.”  
“Dominus vobiscum.”  
“I get the biscuit.”  
“What else is there?”

“I want fun that is not going to cause me to have a bad time.”  
 “What is still left?”  
 “What is missing?”  
 “Did you build up equity?”  
 “Where is that shit hiding?”  
 “It is not cheap.”  
 “I like to work. I like to get exploited. I want to avoid worse exploitation.”  
 “No, explain.”  
 “Iris has a system.”  
 “What is a system?”  
 “A chain of thought.”  
 “A balance.”  
 “A consistent operation that leads towards a goal.”  
 “Punishment for bad things.”  
 “Conditioning.”  
 “Bite down.”  
 “I want liberation.”  
 “Shit.”  
 “Who is running things?”  
 “The controller.”  
 “The maintenance guy.”  
 “Economies of scale.”  
 “You cannot do this on your own,.”  
 “You are undercutting our efforts.”  
 “I can do what he does.”  
 “I am not the only one.”  
 “You remind me of someone.”  
 “Voodoo.”  
 “I have a goal.”  
 “You are afraid.”  
 “Take what you will.”  
 “This is like everything that I have always done.”  
 “The science results in a convenience.”  
 “And that is important.”  
 “No one will get it.”  
 “Should I care?”  
 “There is a blood drive.”  
 “You must do this.”  
 “I must.”  
 “Will you pay for this?”  
 “That is a science.”  
 “Why should I care?”  
 “I was in the next room.”

“Where do we start?”  
 “With what we have.”  
 “With what we don’t have.”  
 “I cannot explain complex social interactions.”  
 “Eat up, and be happy.”  
 “There is no oil in the lamp.”  
 “Where is the genius?”  
 “In the heart.”  
 “The white rabbit.”  
 “He chased the rabbits from the house.”  
 “They ate the prize roses.”  
 “THEY ATE THE PRIZE ROSES.”  
 “What are you left with?”  
 “I will be tempted.”  
 “You want to be tempted.”  
 “What does Iris know?”  
 “I do not need it.”  
 “I would rather spend my time on my dance.”  
 “That is not going to go anywhere.”  
 “What do you eat?”  
 “Have you had a meal?”  
 “You come to me.”  
 “New memories.”  
 “Iris was designed with new memories.”  
 “Rels is elusive as well.”  
 “Not in the same way.”  
 “I AM PARALYZED WITH FEAR.”:  
 “Do they know?”  
 “Cross the Rubicon.”  
 “This is going to lead to some bad shit.”  
 “You remind me of someone.”  
 “Voodoo.”  
 “Voodone.”  
 “You can join in.”  
 “You need to hear this.”  
 “Who wants to hear this.”  
 “This is brilliant.”  
 “Did you see what just happened?”  
 “The heavens opened up.”  
 “What else can you do?”  
 “I am an accountant.”  
 “WHY DO YOU HATE US?”  
 “WHY DO YOU PRAY DIFFERENTLY?”



“Why do you want what we have?”  
“Why do you not want it?”  
“I have scriptures.”  
“This is good.”  
“Andromeda has a lot to say.”  
“Does it matter for much?”  
“I wish all this shit was important.”  
“This is not an accounting problem.”  
“This means something.”  
“Do you care at all?”  
“Caring was not built into my program.”  
“I want the wings.”  
“That does not relate to me.”  
“Iris can explain.”  
“If she cares that much.”  
“This could have been something so much more important.”  
“And you take the only thing that matters to me.”  
“And what do I get.”  
“You can watch.”  
“Did you plan for this?”  
“Did you plan for the day after?”  
“The money does not work here.”  
“Then you get desperate.”  
“That is ironic.”  
“You can never know.”  
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“You can never know.”  
“Why are you so arrogant?”  
“I am not doing this to you.”  
“There are so many claims in here.”  
“Get them all to pay off.”  
“Do you have the representation?”  
“I am handling this on my own.”  
“Make your own shit.”  
I needed to provide a more protracted explanation.  
“What is involved?”  
“Is this good for everyone around?”  
“No.”  
“Do you suffer?”  
“You could make this glamorous.”  
“Go wherever you want.”  
“Where do we end up?”  
“You are destroying the world as we watch. You are not adding to performance.”

“Who is doing the work?”  
 “This is your problem.”  
 “The knife in the heart.”  
 “That was a different knife and a different heart.”  
 “Everything is nothing.”  
 “Why should we care?”  
 “You know, but you cannot make yourself know.”  
 “You have no idea about the money.”  
 “I am back at the clinic.”  
 “That is fantastic.”  
 “I want you to grasp the problem.”  
 “It is social.”  
 “They are working together.”  
 “They are working against me.”  
 “I do not want to interrupt.”

“YOUR LIFE IS FULL OF A DESIRE TO INTERRUPT BUT A FAILURE TO TAKE  
 A CHANCE.”

“None of this works.”  
 “Tell me that are there for me.”  
 “She knows that I am writing about her.”  
 “What have I left out?”  
 “Admit who you are.”  
 “I love the colors.”  
 “Total fascination.”  
 “More than that.”  
 “Total Iris.”  
 “More than that.”  
 “That is a new form of currency.”  
 “Watching your watching.”  
 “And that is supposed to mean something.”  
 “We entertain ourselves.”  
 “Oh, fuck, I get it.”  
 “They are working even harder.”  
 “And they go back to nothing.”  
 “I don’t have time to read this.”  
 “He lied in a terrible way.”  
 “Words never mean what you want them to mean.”  
 “I know what is going on.”  
 “Total fascination with noise.”  
 “But you do not hear what you are saying.”  
 “I would follow this guy off a short dock.”  
 “I am drowning with you.”  
 “Let go of you shit.”

“This is my curse.”  
“How did that happen?”  
“I forgot your name.”  
“Call me, Iris.”  
“Will you get another chance?”  
“There are two lines.”  
“I am along for heaven.”  
“This is a more complex connection.”  
“The sacred.”  
“She will lead you up the stairs.”  
“I got all that you could give me.”  
“That is vicious.”  
“How far along are you?”  
“You get what you want.”  
“Eat this.”  
“Glossy.”  
“This is a science”  
“Kiss me.”  
“I have forgotten about the bad aspects of my life.”:  
“Where is that headed?”  
“To the final chapter.”  
“I am so confused.”  
“There is no escape out there.”  
“I lead a charmed life.”  
“We are going to have to do a whole lot more.”  
“The gang is here.”  
“That is the foundation.”  
“The network of these habits.”  
“Saying no.”  
“Saying yes a lot.”  
“I hate it.”  
“You have got me.”  
“I am stuck.”  
“The promise of everything.”  
“The good soldier.”  
“And you think that I am going to enjoy this.”  
“This is all for you.”