21 HOSPITAL ROOM NEXT DAY

CU of NICK standing looking out window he is then distracted by the NURSE pointing to the PHONE where we see a red light flashing.

NICK walks over and picks up the phone

NICK
Hello...hey....yea I just want
to stay here today and tonight
again then I'll be there...yea
ok...bye.

NICK hangs up the phone and SITS on the STOOL next to the BED and takes CASS' hand and kisses it.

CUT to MOLE HOLE where we see KIRBYS POV of STAIRS as NICK comes down looking very ragged

CUT to NICKS POV of KIRBY behind DRUMS, TIM with his GUITAR, MIKE with BASS and CHRIS behind KEYBOARD all looking at nick. There is an extreme feeling of sadness in the room and we can actually feel it

NICK (putting on his guitar) Lets try this new one I've been working on

You can cut the silence with a knife before he begins to play

NICK starts with the beginning of the movies theme song "FOREVER" and as he plays through the intro we see him ready himself at the mike to sing. He allmost starts but cant so he closes his eyes and goes through the intro again. Now just as he is ready to begin singing he rips his GUITAR off and smashes it into the wall. He kicks his MIKESTAND over and runs upstairs. They YELL to stop him. Then in a frustrated fit of rage KIRBY smashes his STICKS and FIST through one of his DRUMHEADS and goes after NICK

KIRBY (running outside)
Nick wait...come on...Nick..This is our only chance...You've got to try to forget...

NICK
(turning around he grabs
Kirby and slams him into the house)
FORGET!..WHAT?..CASS!..YOU FUCK!!
If Cass goes...we're HISTORY!!!



CUT to NICK looking at CASS from DOOR to her ROOM then he leaves.

CUT to NICK coming into APT. with a 40oz. He is already drunk. He takes another drink and falls into dining room chair. We see his POV of the PICTURE he gave CASS for christmas. He gets up and WALKS around APT. looking at all of their PICTURES and ends up in front of the TV.

He SITS on the COFFEE TABLE right in front of the TV and turns it on. CLOSE of him flipping through channels and we see the light shining from it onto him. We see his FACES as we HEAR what he is watching. Song DECEPTION begins.

CH 1 VO We'll here we have it, the innocent are punished and the guilty are set free.

CH 2 VO
We have effectively gotten into all the classrooms. Now it's just a matter of penetrating all the homes...That's right Bill it's just a matter of time before the generations of the past are ....lets just say....history.

CH 3 VO
You too can be a part of it, just
use the products, get your friends
to use them and when your checks
start rolling in. I think you'll
agree with me when I say..."This
is better than heaven".

CH 4 VO
Yes that's right Hillary, they
don't need money. They'll all
be on the system and it's so
simple the people will love it.
But best of all get this... Not
just here in our country... But
we're going to have the whole
world in our hands.

CH 5 VO
Hey Queebis...look at what I
just got the plans for...I got
em through my net-link...how to
build a laser guided smart bomb
"huh huh...cool...huh huh"
Lets go build it...hee hee..he

CH 6 VO Hi...I'm Kayla...and your tuned into the Cyberchannel...Come on let me give you a little taste of things to come.

NICK looks Hypnotized as the half naked BLONDE (HOLOGRAM) actually comes out of the TV. We go to a SIDE shot and see how she STRADDLES his LAP and begins to SEDUCE him.

KAYLA Who says you need a girlfriend

Just then NICK pulls away and gets up. HOLOGRAM dissipates He looks at the TV then RIPS the CABLE BOX and WIRES from it and smashes it on the floor. He takes off out of APT.

CUT to KIRBY pounding on the DOOR of ANGELINE'S HOUSE

ANGELINA (opening door)
Kirby, I missed you, sorry about the other nite

KIRBY (walking in)

Yea sure

ANGELINA Kirby this is kitty, Tom and mark

He looks at them and gestures "hello" Then KITTY walks up with this very evil grin

KITTY So....you want to get high?

KIRBY Yea....yea I do

KITTY
(taking tray with a black bag a pipe and lines of cocaine from Mark)
Here...Take your pick

CUT to TIM'S LIVING ROOM. He is talking with CHRIS and MIKE

CHRIS
Nick's probably at the hospital
but Kirby....Kirby worries me

TIM
Definitely, he can do anything
I just hope he keeps his head

They are interrupted by a KNOCK on the DOOR

TIM

That's her

MIKE
It sounded like that book did
some good, what about that

TIM
(walking over to the front door)
Well it's kind of early still but at least if anything it planted a seed
(opening the door for melody)
Hey doll come on in....look do you know where Angelina is right now?

MELODY
I think she's at home why?

TIM
Kirby left out of here pretty
upset and we think that might
be where he went

CHRIS Can you take us there

MELODY

Sure lets go

CUT to INSIDE of MELODYS CAR NITE. MELODY DRIVING, TIM up front and MIKE and CHRIS in back

TIM
You guys know we can still make
this happen if we all pull
together and be strong

CHRIS
We just have to convince Kirby
and Nick of that

MIKE Kirby maybe but Nick no way, not if Cass doesn't come out of it

MELODY And we only have a few more days before we have to leave huh? Yea....yea

CHRIS
God I just know that Cass would want us to go for it...I just know she would

MIKE
You'll never convince Nick of
that. Not in his condition, he
loves her too much...If she
doesn't come around were washed

CHRIS
I cant believe this is happening

TIM
(thinking hard and
looking out the windshield with
a very intense look)
We cant give up hope and we cant
lose faith

(INTENSELY)
Have you guys ever heard of the saying "strength in numbers"

Everyone says YES

TIM
Well I know if we really pull
together...all of us Nick and
Kirby and all of us really pull
together as one...I believe that
Cass...I believe

MIKE Come on Tim you know her fate doesn't lie in our hands

CHRIS
Come on Mike we don't have anything
left to lose

Just then they pull up in front of ANGELINAS house

MELODY

This is it

MIKE (back to chris)
This is true we don't

TIM
Then I'd say its time.....
(getting out of the car)
to get busy..I'll be right back

CUT to ANGELINA answering door

ANGELINA
Tim, oh hi what a suprise come
on in.....this is Kitty my
room mate.

KITTY
(with a suspicious look walks around him looking him up and down as if stalking prey)
Who are you, why are you here?

TIM
Wouldn't you like to know
(looking around)
Where's Kirby?

ANGELINA Um.... he's here somewhere

CUT to KIRBY standing around corner in the kitchen. He is SWEATING and we can see that he is COMPLETELY SPUN

TIM (yells out)

Kirby

CUT to KITTY GLARING at him then we see her POV of his cross and then back to her EVIL glare.

KITTY (stepping back) He should leave

TIM
(walking toward kitchen)
Look as soon as I get Kirby I'll
leave

ANGELINA Whats the matter? (trying to stop him) whats this all about?

TIM (turning around and grabbing her by the arms)

Whats the matter with you... Cant you see what your doing to yourself. You could be so much more, I saw that in you, I tried to tell you but I'm not going to waste my breath. I'm just gonna get my friend....and I'm gonna leave.

As she stands there SPEECHLESS TIM goes into KITCHEN and sees KIRBY leaning on the counter out of it

> TIM Kinb come on man lets get out here, lets go get something eat

> > KIRBY (very drugged) go eat who said I was hungry

TIM (going up and grabbing arm) on Kirby please we gotta together

KIRBY (pulling away) way from me man, Its over you know...It's over, Cass ne, Nicks gone....were gone ione man just give it up

TIM e' not we can do it, but ke this, we've got to be ...think about that book

KIRBY (spinning) ok....bullshit I don't n. Ain't no book gonna SS

TIM at its about it's what

KIRBY ut god....where was GOD muen cass got hit by that car Where was GOD when my mother was screwing every guy in town and left me and my father

CO-WRITE

Whats the matter with you...
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(going up and grabbing his arm)
Come on Kirby please we gotta stick together

KIRBY
(pulling away)
Get away from me man, Its over
don't you know...It's over, Cass
is gone, Nicks gone....were gone
were gone man just give it up

TIM
No were not we can do it, but
not like this, we've got to be
strong...think about that book

KIRBY
(spinning)
That book...bullshit I don't care man. Ain't no book gonna help cass

TIM
It's what its about it's what
WE DO

KIRBY
It's about god...where was GOD when Cass got hit by that car Where was GOD when my mother was screwing every guy in town and left me and my father

(right in Tims face) Where was GOD when my father hung himself

TIM just stands there with nothing to say and closes his eyes

KIRBY
(grabbing the small black bag from the counter)
I gotta take a piss

TIM opens his eyes and sees KIRBY take the bag and go into the BATHROOM. He then turns and sees TOM putting food in his mouth and closing the fridge. TIM is making gestures as to his wondering what was in the bag

TIM
(pointing to the bathroom door and looking at Tom and Angelina)
What was in that bag?

ANGELINA makes a face like she knows but doesn't and when TOM who is chewing food just smiles TIM knows

TIM (banging on the door) Kirby!! don't do it man

CUT to KIRBY tying a BAND around his arm getting ready to shoot up  $% \left\{ 1,2,\ldots ,n\right\}$ 

TIM (banging harder) Kirby come on open the door

CUT to ECU of NEEDLE suirt out some liquid

TIM
(stepping back)
KIRBY!!!Dont do iiiit

TIM CHARGES the door and breaks it down. TOM and MARK run up and GRAB TIM trying to stop him.

We watch as TIM goes off and RAGES on them

CUT to ANGELINA going into bathroom and ECU of KIRBY not getting the NEEDLE in before she stops him and takes the needle away

CUT back to TIM finishing off TOM and MARK with some KARATE kicks and BLOWS

We see TIM go in and grab KIRBY away from ANGELINA and helps him out and toward the front door.

TIM
(to her and Kitty)
It's a shame...a damn shame

ANGELINA

But I....

TIM goes to go out the DOOR and looks down at KITTY who is sitting in a crouch in the corner GROWLING like a CAT in trouble. Then he looks back at ANGELINA and before closing the door and takes BOOK from MELODY waiting outside

TIM
Here....Maybe someday you'll
see the light

ANGELINA takes the BOOK from him but she's speechless FADE

22 DENNYS PARKING LOT SAME NITE JUST BEFORE SUNRISE 22
TIM and MIKE are helping KIRBY out of MELODYS CAR

CHRIS
We've gotta get some food and
fluids in him....Your gonna be
allright Kirb

We see that KIRBY is conscious but still needs some help as they do just that and head into restaurant

CUT to NICK at HOSPITAL it is obvious he has been drinking heavily. He is sitting on the stool next to cass when the  ${\tt DOCTOR}$  comes in.

DOCTOR
Mr. Angelino Im very sorry to inform you of this but Cassandras condition is worsening. She has slipped into a deeper state of comatoses. If she goes any deeper even if she were to come out...

ECU of NICK he is starting to lose his composure

....well she probably wouldn't know who you are...or even who she is...I'm very sorry I know how hard this is for you

NICK Yea, I'm sure you do NICK is really ready to lose it now

NICK goes out of the room and down the hallway toward the exit and runs into and OLD LADY who looks like the GRIM REAPER to NICK who's vision is blurred and his head is spinning. She is wearing a DEVILS CROSS on her CHAIN.

LADY

(looking up at him)
Where are you going son, when
she goes don't you want to be
by her side

NICK
(holding this very
evil looking person away from
him)
Who are you? what are you talking
about?

LADY
Do you know where your going?
Do you know where she is?

NICK
I don't know what your talking about...but you stay away from her

LADY
Oh I can't go with her but maybe
I can go with you

NICK (breaking away) Security!! Security!!

NICK runs down the hall and around a corner where he runs into a security guard

NICK
Oh man come on you've got to help me there's this old lady and she's.....

(noticing she is gone from where she just was he runs down to cass's room and looks inside then comes out)
She was just here I'm tellin you

GUARD
Hey calm down its ok maybe you should just go home and get some rest

CUT back to DENNYS and we see that KIRBY is doing ok now and they are all talking.

KIRBY
Thank you guys I'm sorry I guess
just seeing Nick like that did
something to me....Just what he
said when he left....Wow we better
go find him

TIM What did he say?

CHRIS After he smashed his guitar?

KIRBY Yea, before he jumped in his car and peeled out

CHRIS What did he say?

KIRBY
He said...If Cass wasn't going to live he didn't want to live either

TIM
Man Kirby didn't you go after
him?

KIRBY
Of course I went by the hospital
then his house he wasn't at either
place

CHRIS (looking at tim) Where would he go?

TIM & MIKE (together)

T2

KIRBY

Lets go.

MUSIC FOR SCENE 22 SUSPENSE BEGINS

CUT to NICK getting into his CAR and grabbing another BEER he powers it down spilling much on himself. We watch him his head is spinning hearing what the DOC and WOMAN said.

He Punches it PEELING OUT. We follow as he heads to T2 He's swerving and hitting the GUARD RAILS and DRINKING. We see the MEMORIES of CASS in his mind

CUT to CU of TIRE screeching to a halt just before going over the cliff. NICK has arrived at T2 and it is just getting light out.

We watch as he gets out of the CAR. He finishes his beer and throws it as hard as he can. Then he reaches down and starts picking up rocks and throwing them up at the CLIFFS

NICK
(yelling at the top
of his lungs)
Where are you????? Where are
yoooooou?!!!!Where are you now

MUSIC VOLUME AND INTENSITY INCREASES

NICK begins to CLIMB the CLIFFS without a rope

Just then MELODYS CAR pulls up behind NICKS and they all PILE OUT

TIM (pointing) There he is up on the north face

KIRBY And he don't have no ropes

TIM, KIRBY and MIKE begin to CLIMB and CHRIS and MELODY stop and watch

TIM
(trying to keep cool)
Hey Nick kind a early isn't it?

NICK
(yelling down to them)
I thought maybe if I came early
I could find him...I think he
took the day off

TIM Who's that Nick?

NICK
Oh come on Tim you know who I'm talking about! The one who fly's the one who watches, the one who waits...the one who can see forever

(signaling Kirby and Tim to go up and around another way)
So have you seen him?

NICK
No...I think he took the day off
I guess someone like Cass doesn't
mean as much to him as you do

TIM (still yelling)
Nick thats not true

NICK pulls himself up to a LEDGE and gets to his feet and turns around facing out away from cliff

NICK
It must be true the doctor said she probably won't make it

TIM
There's allways a chance we can't
give up hope

NICK
What hope where is he when you need him? I don't see him do you?
(looking up and screaming as loud as he can)
Where are yoooooooooooo?!!!!!

TIM
(coming up closer
under Nick)
Nick maybe....maybe he's at
the hospital

NICK
(looking down at Tim
ready to break down and cry)
You think?..you think maybe he's
not here cause he's at the hospital

TIM
He's allways were he needs to be

NICK
Then I better not jump....I was gonna do a swan It would a looked great