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ACT TWO

FADE IN

43 INT. ORACLE CENTER - ORACLE'S OFFICE - NIGHT

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Quinn, Remy and Maggie are being spread-eagled and efficiently frisked by a couple of Enforcers as Cadmus stands nearby supervising. The Enforcers put what little they find in the Sliders' pockets onto a tray on a nearby table. Gareth is sitting across the room behind a large desk, apparently busy with paperwork. Maggie is especially annoyed by the frisking. An Enforcer finds Quinn's timer and hands it to Cadmus, who looks it over. After they're finished, the Enforcers move away and the Sliders turn toward Cadmus.

QUINN

Why are we being held? What have we done?

CADMUS

Why were you in the Assembly Room tonight?

MAGGIE

The door was open. Other people were coming and going freely.

CADMUS

Yes. The Assembly Room is always open for meditation and self-renewal. But you were up on the stage looking at the controls to the portal.

QUINN

I was curious about how it works. I'm...well, I'm kind of a scientist.

Gareth looks up from his work.

GARETH

Well, you've just answered your first question.
(off Quinn's reaction)
'What have we done?'

(X)
(X)
(X)

He rises and crosses to Cadmus and takes the timer to look it over.

QUINN

And that would be...?

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CADMUS
Vacation?

QUINN
Something like that.

GARETH
Have you been to Oracle World?

QUINN
Not yet.

REMBRANDT
It's on the list, though.

GARETH
'The World in Six Days' is showing
at the Imax Theatre. It's really
something. And the Dark Age
Dungeon Ride. There's new music
this year by John Tesh.

(X)

MAGGIE
Oh, I love him.

The Sliders laugh uncomfortably. Are they out of trouble
here? Or what?

QUINN
So...if we can get our communicator
back, we'll get on over to Oracle
World and enjoy ourselves.

GARETH
I'm afraid we'll have to detain you
for a while.

He nods to the Enforcers, who step forward.

QUINN
Wait a minute, we're being
arrested?

MAGGIE
On what charges?

Gareth looks surprised.

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Quinn nods, then turns as he hears a noise. Samson and Maggie are approaching.

MAGGIE

We've got a plan.

SAMSON

(full of admiration)

Doctor Mallory, your Captain Beckett here is so...so warlike.

(turning to her)

I like that in a woman.

Quinn and Remmy smile at that, and we...

CUT TO

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THRU OMITTED
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(X)

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And she goes with the others to the portal. Maggie is emotionally torn by this. Remmy leans down to her.

REMBRANDT

Maybe she's right. We'll certainly know soon enough.

86 ANGLE ON PORTAL 86

as the gate closes and Cadmus moves to the console. The music swells, and Cadmus hits the switch. We see the flash of the incinerator and the Welcomers are gone.

87 MAGGIE 87

Crushed by this. Both Remmy and Quinn try to comfort her.

88 CADMUS 88

has moved to the podium and is addressing the believers.

CADMUS

I'm sure you know that we apprehended the Radical Rationalist Samson and some of his followers in the Oracle compound this morning. We have decided that our re-configuration methods here are inadequate. So we are sending them with the Welcomers to the other side in the hope that the wisdom gained there will provide the means for their salvation.

He turns to Samson and the Sliders, who are nudged to their feet by the Enforcers behind them. Remmy is hit again with one of those little "sting guns" when he is reluctant to move. The music starts again as they are moved toward the portal. As they are led, Samson calls out:

(X)

(X)

SAMSON

This is a fraud!
(points to portal)
That thing is an oven! Your friends aren't on the other side. They're dead! The Oracle has robbed them and murdered them!

(X)

(X)

One of the Enforcers zaps Samson with a sting gun. Samson is stunned into silence.

(X)

(X)

89 ANGLE ON THE AUDIENCE 89

which has been visibly shaken by Samson's shouting. They are talking among themselves, trying to figure this out.

90 THE STAGE 90

Gareth quickly cuts Samson off. (X)

GARETH

You see how perverted these RadRats have become. Re-config on the other side is the only solution. The final solution.

There is still some unrest in the crowd. It could go either way here.

91 AT THE PORTAL 91

as Samson and the Sliders are forced in. Looks like this is the end for our folks. Cadmus steps forward at the last moment. (X)

CADMUS

Mr. Mallory...

Quinn turns to him.

92 INSERT 92

Cadmus taking the timer from his jacket and slipping it to Quinn, who conceals it in his robe.

93 BACK TO SCENE 93

CADMUS

I wish you well on the other side.

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