



IT'S MAY 7TH, 2004.

IT CAN'T BE.

BUT IT IS.



BECAUSE THERE HE IS... JOHN BLACK...BIG AS LIFE AND TWICE AS CHARISMATIC, JUST A FEW HOURS BEFORE HE GETS GUNNED DOWN IN A BOTCHED PURSE SNATCHING.

WE MUST UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER.

WE MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER.

WE STAND TOGETHER.



OR WE WILL FALL TOGETHER.

THE WAY BACK

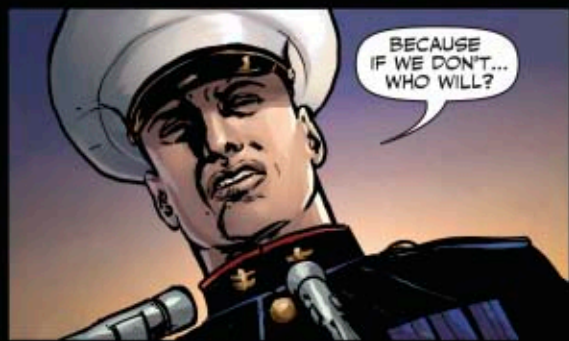
ACT TWO



THOSE WHO ARE TAUGHT TO HATE US ARE EASY PREY BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO HOLD ON TO, NO HOPE, NO EDUCATION, NO OPPORTUNITIES, NO CHANCE FOR A BETTER FUTURE.



THEY WILL ONLY HAVE A CHANCE...*WE* WILL ONLY HAVE A CHANCE...IF WE ARE WILLING TO STEP OUTSIDE THE CIRCLE OF OUR FEARS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. WE CANNOT BE AFRAID. WE MUST STEP UP.



BECAUSE IF WE DON'T... WHO WILL?



YEAH, YOU TELL 'EM!

PREACH ON, BROTHER!

WOO-HOOO!



THAT WAS AMAZING, LIEUTENANT--

CALL ME JOHN.

CAN I GET A PICTURE WITH YOU?

OF COURSE.





--I SAW YOU OVER HERE AND THOUGHT I'D INTRODUCE MYSELF. JOHN BLACK.

YES, I... I KNOW WHO YOU ARE--

AND YOU ARE...?

ROY... ROY CHAMBERS.



THANKS FOR COMING, ROY. I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU AT ONE OF THESE RALLIES BEFORE--

NO, FIRST TIME--

SO WHAT PROMPTED YOU TO COME BY THIS TIME?



WELL, I...I JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN THE AREA, AND... HEARD YOU TALKING--

YEAH, I RUN MY MOUTH A LOT--

NO, IT'S GREAT... I MEAN, YOU'RE GREAT, THE WAY YOU CAN HOLD AN AUDIENCE--



TRUTH TO TELL, SPEAKING IN PUBLIC SCARES THE HECK OUT OF ME. BUT I FOUND THAT IF YOU JUST TELL FOLKS THE TRUTH, SIMPLY AND TO THE POINT, IT SINKS IN MORE THAN IF YOU LIGHT IT ALL UP WITH FIREWORKS.

IT'S TRUTH THAT HOLDS AN AUDIENCE, ROY. NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.



LISTEN, A BUNCH OF US ARE GONNA GO GET SOME DINNER, KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING... YOU WANT TO COME WITH?

I--



PERP WAS WEARING A HOODIE AND JEANS... FIVE FOOT SEVEN...

--YEAH, I'D LIKE THAT.

GREAT, I'LL GET THE OTHERS. BE RIGHT BACK.

