

SPECIAL PREVIEW OF GARTH ENNIS' JENNIFER BLOOD!

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DESERVE TO KNOW IF HE'S STILL FIT FOR COMMAND.

WHAT?



WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT COMMAND? YOU WERE A BUCK PRIVATE! YOU NEVER HELD RANK OF ANY KIND!

OH, BUT IF IT COMES TO IT--



I'M A FUCKIN' GENERAL, MATE.



A GENERAL--!

I LET YOU TALK ME INTO MAKING CONTACT WITH THAT VERMIN, INTO ADMITTING WE SENT THOSE ATROCIOUS PICTURES! AND--

AN' YOU LET YERSELF GET FOLLOWED. AN' YEAH, NOW YOU KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO LOSE SOMEONE.



DON'T.

I LET YOU AWAY WITH THE FIRST ONE 'COS YOU'RE UPSET. I DO THE SAME TO YOU AN' I'LL TAKE YER FUCKIN' HEAD OFF.



YOU LOST SOMEONE YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT. DON'T GIVE ME ANY O' THAT OL' BOLLOCKS ABOUT YER BATTALION, I'VE SEEN ENOUGH OFFICERS CRYIN' CROCODILE TEARS ABOUT THE LADS THEY USED AS CANNON FODDER.



NOW, YOU SAID I TALKED YOU INTO IT, BUT HOW HARD DID YOU REALLY MAKE ME WORK?

YOU WAS ALWAYS SO SURE THE LAMPLIGHTER WAS THE WEAK LINK--YOU SAID HE WAS A PUSSY COMPARED TO THE REST OF 'EM. THE WAY YOU USED TO CARRY ON, YOU COULDN'T WAIT TO GET STUCK INTO THE SEVEN.



RAYNER GAVE US THE NOD. I FOLLOWED YOUR LEAD.

AN' NOW THE MOMENT'S HERE, COLONEL--



SO ARE YOU STILL AS KEEN AS YOU USED TO BE?



THE... LAST TIME I LET A MAN TALK TO ME LIKE THAT...

HHRRM.



THE LEGEND.
MAEVE.



BUTCHER, YOU'RE WITH ME.

THE REST OF YOU STAND BY.

"I THINK YOU'VE SHAKEN SOMETHING LOOSE."

THEY'VE SENT OVER SOMEBODY NEW. WE'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE, I THINK HE'S FROM EDGAR'S OFFICE. BUT HE SHOWED UP HALF AN HOUR AFTER WE CALLED IT IN.

CALLED WHAT IN?

THE LAMPLIGHTER. COMING BACK LAST NIGHT, LAUGHING LIKE A FUCKING MANIAC...

DID YOU KNOW WHAT HE WAS--

NO. HE BLINDED US WITH HIS STUPID FUCKING LAMP THING, WE ALL THOUGHT HE WAS GOING OFF TO HAVE A TANTRUM.

WHAT I'M TRYING TO TELL YOU IS YOU'VE HAD NEVER BEEN THIS HANDS-ON. EVEN WHEN YOU DID WHATEVER IT WAS THAT GOT THE HOMELANDER MOVING--HE CALLED THEM, THEY JUST TOLD US TO MEET YOU AND REPORT BACK. NO ONE ACTUALLY CAME TO SEE US.

BUT SOMEONE HAS NOW, BELIEVE ME.

HE WALKED IN, SAT DOWN, TOLD US TO TELL HIM ALL OF IT. TOLD US. HE'S CALM, HE'S POLITE, HE'S--

HE SAID *EVERYTHING'S GOING TO BE ALL RIGHT*. THE WAY HE SAID IT, IT WAS LIKE A BUS CONDUCTOR ANNOUNCING THE FINAL SOLUTION.