

Rod drives through the quiet streets. He checks the rearview mirror a couple times as he drives. Nothing behind him. Rod turns a corner then makes a U-turn and parks. He sits there a moment and sure enough the black SUV comes down the street. Rod takes off in the other direction. He looks in his rearview nothing there.

ROD

33 Yo.

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Movement in the back. MARCUS (22) slowly rises just high enough to peek over the seat. Bloodshot eyes. Sweat across his forehead. Clothes worn for too many days.

MARCUS

34 You saw the black truck?

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ROD

35 Yeah I saw it.

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In a calm almost confident tone.

MARCUS

36 I knew you would, that's why I mess
with you. (beat) So we good?

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Rod looks in the rearview.

ROD

37 Yeah, you good.

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Marcus lets out a sigh of relief.

MARCUS

38 Where you going?

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ROD

39 Forget where I'm going. Where you
been?

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Marcus drops back down.

MARCUS

40 What you hear?

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41 **ROD** 41
That you took almost twenty bands and
got low.

Marcus looks out the window. He knows the news going around
about him is not good. He wants to tell Rod what really went
on but something is stopping him.

42 **MARCUS** 42
That ain't what happened. (beat) it
happened but it's more to it.

Silence.

Rod's grip tightens on the wheel.

43 **ROD** 43
Hope it's enough to start a new life
cause you gone need it.

Marcus does not answer. Rod just shakes his head.

44 **MARCUS** 44
Everything ain't what it seems.

Rod seems as if he's not for the Q & A. He's really upset at
Marcus.

45 **ROD** 45
They already came to the crib looking
for you.

Marcus sits up slightly. He lets out a sigh.

46 **MARCUS** 46
That's crazy.

47 **ROD** 47
What you thought was gonna to happen?
Bra you robbed Tavon. Of all people in
the world you chose him. Unbelievable.

Marcus's thinks about it. His fear deepens.

48 **MARCUS** 48
Yeah well, some things are worse than
Tavon.

49 **ROD** 49
Yeah well, not much.

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Marcus looks at Rod in the rearview mirror. Their eyes connect.

MARCUS

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You'll see.

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Marcus immediately realizes he said too much. He stays quiet for a moment.

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