

MAG 189.5 — Act III Finale Trailer

Content Warnings

- Cults
- Mentions of: apocalypse, scopophobia

[Tape clicks on]

[Voices echo in an underground chamber]

ARUN

“—turned from the bridegroom's door.

He went like one that hath been stunned,

And is of sense forlorn:

A sadder and a wiser man,

He rose the morrow morn.”

[Book closing]

(Exhale of completion)

[Polite clapping]

LAVERNE

Thank you, Arun. That was lovely.

CELIA

Hmmm.

ARUN

E-Everything alright, Celia? Not a fan of Coleridge?

UNNAMED

We have heard it a few times now.

ARUN

Yeah... well... the library is a touch limited down here.

LAVERNE

(Playfully) You want to ask them to bring back something to read from up top?
Like that 'magazine'?

(Discomfited noises as they remember the 'magazine')

CELIA

(Anxious) No, it's fine. I like the poem. I'm just... worried.

UNNAMED

They haven't been gone long.

ARUN

You know they walk the path. No harm can come to them.

CELIA

I know, I just... I...

LAVERNE

What is it?

CELIA

I keep hearing things. Something's going on up there, and I don't like it.

UNNAMED

I've heard it too. The city's excited about something.

LAVERNE

Not just up there...

ARUN

Laverne?

LAVERNE

I, uh, I got a bit too close to the stairs yesterday.

(Anxious noises)

UNNAMED

(Sharply) Seriously? Did they see you?

LAVERNE

No. But... there were more watchers.

CELIA

What do you mean 'more'? There's two — one each side.

LAVERNE

Not anymore. I didn't get a good look, but... there must have been four or five?

UNNAMED

You think something's happening?

CELIA

I don't like it!

ARUN

Have faith! The prophets shall protect us.

UNNAMED

Like they protected Song and Christopher?

ARUN

That was our fault!

UNNAMED

Uh-huh!

ARUN

We became arrogant, attracted attention. They're the Chosen, they're not all-powerful.

CELIA

Whatever. I still don't like it, okay? I'm worried! Something's... coming. Something big. And I doubt it's friendly.

LAVERNE

Look at it this way. The world's already ended... how much worse can it be?

[Tape click off]

[The Magnus Archives Theme – Alternative Outro]

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