UNTITLED SCREENPLAY

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FADE IN:

INT. GABE'S CAR - NIGHT

GABE (35) is lying down in his driver's seat. The yellow hues of his aftermarket dome light is the only thing that keeps his car from pitch black.

He looks at his phone, with his hand shaking the whole way through. He close his eyes, and take a deep breath.

GABE Good thing no one visits this place anymore.

He turns his attention to his surroundings outside the car. No one is walking or standing around in the park.

Gabe is ready to close his eyes to take a rest when a knock wakes him up.

GABE

Who's there?!

Gabe steps out of the car with his flashlight. He wanders around, but could not find anyone nearby.

GABE

What a unintelligent man.

Gabe gets back into his car, and on to his driver's seat. Then he hears a voice.

MAN

BOO!

Gabe launches out of the seat, and clucthing his chest. ADAM (34)

GABE Stop scaring me like that!

MAN I always want to do that.

GABE Wait a minute, how did you get in?

MAN Nobody knows. Name's Adam, by the way.

GABE

Gabe.

ADAM Good. Can you drive me to an apartment? GABE

I can, but you gonna have to pay the fee.

Gabe turns the engine, and drives away from the parking lot. He turns onto the main road.

GABE So where did you came from?

ADAM

Houston.

GABE

Tennessee.

ADAM That's a long way from here.

GABE Yeah. I had some complications that lead me to this.

ADAM

What is it?

GABE

I am sacked from my job because I miss an innocuous detail. That costs my company dearly, and put me off their workplace.

ADAM

Oh dear.

GABE So now I am just a driver of sorts to a local here.

ADAM What a shame. Why don't you tell your dad about it?

Gabe is shocked by this.

GABE

What do you mean?

ADAM

I see you have forgotten your phone when you get out.

Gabe blinks out of confusion, trying to keep his eyes on the road.

GABE I'm fine with my parents. ADAM

Then can you explain why you left them in the first place?

Gabe grits his teeth, and clenches his hands on the steering wheel.

GABE

I swear, if you say that-

ADAM

I am just asking about your relationship. That's all.

GABE

If so, then shut up.

ADAM You also had a girlfriend, if I'm not mistaken?

GABE

Yes. Her name's Denise. We were in love 6 years ago, and I want to propose to her one evening. That did not happen.

ADAM What happen to her?

GABE

She got involved in a brutal car crash. Many say her car is rigged to fail. My own Denise did not make it.

ADAM

Well that is a shame. I'm sure you and Denise would make for a lovely couple.

GABE

The perperator has not been found either. Not even the police have enough evidence to find out.

ADAM

(Snickers) Well you would like to find the one who done that?

GABE

Yes, and I'm gonna break every single bone of his.

ADAM

Good luck on that.

Gabe continues to carry Adam on his journey until they are entering a mountaneous road.

GABE Sir, are you sure we're on the right track?

GABE Trust my instincts. It will be fine.

Gabe is chewing up the miles with Adam on the backseat, both of them not wanting to say a word to one another.

When they approach a cliffside parking lot, Adam points his finger to that spot.

ADAM Stop right near the end of the lot.

GABE

Okay then.

Gabe enters the parking lot and stops at a spot just outside the cliff edge.

ADAM Well, it has been a pleasure to ride with you. Now I must go.

GABE Wait, you have not paid the fee yet.

ADAM Oh right, I forgot.

Adam grabs a white envelope and gives it to Gabe

ADAM The money is in there. There's plenty of it, so make good use of it.

GABE Are you sure?

ADAM

Well you need all the money you can to curb your own financial issues.

GABE

In that sense, thanks.

Adam opens the door and gets out. Gabe opens the envelope to find not bundles of cash, but a letter. CLOSE-UP of the letter as Gabe reads it.

GABE

"I was the one who did it."

It does not take long before he registers what Adam means.

GABE

You son of a-

Gabe shuts the door, which loosen a string that leads to a cigarette lighter. It ignites a puddle of inflammable liquid on the carpets of Gabe's seat. Soon enough, Gabe is now engulfed within the fire.

GABE

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE!

Gabe tries to unlatch the seatbelt, but found it to be stuck in place. The fire quickly spreads through Gabe's body, causing him to scream in pain.

EXT. PARKING LOT - NIGHT

Adam turns around to the back of the car to see Gabe struggling to put the fire out.

ADAM

I hope you enjoy the BBQ session.

Adam pushes the car forwards, while all Gabe can do is nothing but watch as his body is engulfed in flames.

GABE

FUCK YOU, ADAM!

ADAM

Too late for a swear word.

Adam gives an almighty push to Gabe's car, sending it hurtling down the mountain with great speed. He watches as the car crumples around with each hit throughout the fall, ending up at the bottom of the mountain.

> ADAM That's what you get for running away from your problems.

Adam took one glance at the car, now a smoldering wreck, before walking towards his own car. He grabs his own phone and stops just outside the driver's door.

> ADAM I hope my wife didn't know much about this...

Adam picks up the call, which comes from his wife CLAIRE (35).

ADAM

Hi darling?

CLAIRE (V.O.) Adam, where have you been?

ADAM I've just been to the local park after work. Take a breather or two.

CLAIRE (V.O.) I'm so worried about you. Please come back home safely.

ADAM I will. Tell you what, remember our first date?

CLAIRE (V.O.)

What?

ADAM Maybe we should go to a mountain park instead of the theater.

CLAIRE (V.O.) Don't be silly. That was a long time ago.

ADAM Sure did. Take care.

CLAIRE (V.O.) Drive safely, and don't get hit.

ADAM See you, my lady.

Adam closes out the phone, and puts it in his pocket.

ADAM If she sees my work, then I don't know what to do with her.

Adam gets in the car and drives away from the lot, with the smoke bellowing from Gabe's car going upwards in the background.

FADE OUT

THE END.