

Life Before Death

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INT.BUS STOP.DAY

ROMAN IS STANDING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CROWD AT THE BUS STOP
(extreme close ups of the
people standing in the bus)

EXT.STREET.DAY

Roman is walking in the middle of the street on his way
home, there are many people on the streets

EXT.OUTSIDE APARTMENT.EVENING

Roman is approaching his apartment, his landlord MR.FORD is
standing outside with another man

MR.FORD

Hi Roman

ROMAN

Hi Mr.Ford, how are you?

MR.FORD

I'm fine, are you?

ROMAN

Surviving...Did you get my rent
payment?

MR.FORD

Off course, right on time as
always!
By the way this is my brother GUY
from the States, this is
Mr.Williams

GUY

Nice to meet you

ROMAN

Nice to meet you

MR.FORD

Actually I think you've met before

ROMAN

Yes I think so

GUY

Probably

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ROMAN

Anyway I'll get going, see you
later, nice to meet you

MR.FORD

See you Roman

GUY

Bye

Roman leaves to his apartment upstairs

GUY

Who's the fella?

MR.FORD

Roman Williams, he moved in 6 years
ago with his wife and little kid,
two years later both di in a car
accident

GUY

Fuck...he was the only to survive?

MR.FORD

He wasn't in the car, they on a
weekend holiday and he had to stay
here stucked with work...

GUY

That's harsh...no wonder he doesn't
look very happy

INT.LIVING ROOM.NIGHT

Roman gets home, he throws his jacket on the sofa, he goes
to a table and grabs a picture of his wife LAURA and son
CHARLIE and stares at it

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman is sitting on the bed, he sets the alarm, picks up the
glass on the table and goes to the bathroom

INT.BATHROOM.NIGHT

Roman fills the glass with water, he leaves and we see the
water dropping on the sink

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman sits on the bed and takes a sleeping pill before going to sleep

(DREAM SEQUENCE)

Roman wakes up, he hears a children laughing outside, he goes to the window and sees his children Charlie and his wife Laura

ROMAN
LAURA! LAURA! CHARLIE!

EXT.OUTSIDE HOUSE.DAY

Laura and Charlie look up and wave to Roman.
Roman runs out from the room he runs downstairs but when he gets there Charlie and Laura are leaving in a car, he runs after the car

The alarm clock goes off

Roman wakes up screaming

ROMAN
WAIT!

INT.OFFICE DAY

Roman is sitting on his desk, as the secretary comes to him and tells him his boss Mr.ISRAEL wants to talk to him, Roman gets up and goes to Mr. Israel office

INT.MR.ISRAEL'S OFFICE.DAY

MR.ISRAEL
Williams, I called you here because you still don't have those reports ready...Williams this is a push and drive business

ROMAN
I understand that Mr Israel

MR.ISRAEL
It's push push push Williams! push push push all the time!

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ROMAN

I know sir

MR.ISRAEL

If you understand stop being so
slow!

Roman leaves the room as Mr.Israel keeps yelling

EXT.OUTSIDE APARTMENT.DAY

Roman is arriving his apartment, his landlord Mr.Ford is
standing outside

ROMAN

Hi Mr.Ford

MR.FORD

Well hello there Roman

ROMAN

Mr.Ford...have you ever had such a
good dream that you don't fell like
waking up?

MR.FORD

Yes I guess so

ROMAN

Since Laura and Charlie were gone I
keep having dreaming with
them...but I can't ever reach
them...I wish I could...well I'll
get going...see you tomorrow

MR.FORD

Oh...yes see you Roman

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman is sitting on the bed, he sets the alarm, picks up the
glass on the table and goes to the bathroom

INT.BATHROOM.NIGHT

Roman fills the glass with water, he leaves and we see the
water dropping on the sink

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman sits on the bed and takes a sleeping pill before going to sleep, we see shots of the clock going forward, Roman can't fall asleep, he gets up and takes another pill, he does this two times, he then falls asleep

(DREAM SEQUENCE)

Roman wakes up, he hears a children laughing outside, he goes to the window and sees his children Charlie and his wife Laura

ROMAN

LAURA! LAURA! CHARLIE!

EXT.OUTSIDE HOUSE.DAY

Laura and Charlie look up and wave to Roman. Roman runs out from the room he runs downstairs but when he gets there Charlie and Laura are leaving in a car, but this time he almost catches them

His telephone rings

Roman wakes up screaming

ROMAN

NO!

Roman picks up his phone

SECRETARY

Mr.Williams, Mr.Israel would like to know why are you one hour late for work

ROMAN

I'm sorry, I must've felt asleep

SECRETARY

Please hurry

ROMAN

Ok

The secretary hangs out the phone, Roman puts his head on his hands and shakes his head

INT.OFFICE DAY

Roman gets in the office, as he gets in the secretary calls him

SECRETARY

Mr.Williams! Mr.Israel wants to see you straight away

Roman goes straight to Mr.Israel's office

INT.MR.ISRAEL'S OFFICE.DAY

ROMAN

Good morning Mr.Israel

MR.ISRAEL

Good Morning Mr.Israel?! are you kidding with me Williams? I'm getting tired of this, I've warned you about your attitude just yesterday, Do you have anything in your head at all?!

ROMAN

Yes, and that's why I came here today, to tell you that you and your insignificant company can go to hell, I wonder sometimes if there is life before death, I don't think you'll ever understand it

Roman leaves the office

MR.ISRAEL

Williams! Williams!

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman is laying in bed and he is falling asleep
(DREAM SEQUENCE)

Roman wakes up, he hears a children laughing outside, he goes to the window and sees his children Charlie and his wife Laura

ROMAN

LAURA! LAURA! CHARLIE!

EXT.OUTSIDE HOUSE.DAY

Laura and Charlie look up and wave to Roman.
Roman runs out from the room, he runs downstairs

(At this point we cut between
Roman sleeping to the tap in
the bathroom which is dripping,
and from the drops we cut to
Roman's heart beats and so on,
we notice that he's heart
starts beating at the same
pace as the water drops, until
the water drops stop and his
heart stops)

(BACK TO DREAM SEQUENCE)

Roman gets down stairs, his wife and daughter are waiting
for him, he hugs them

CHARLIE

We've been waiting for you daddy!

ROMAN

I know... I know...let's go

INT.BEDROOM.NIGHT

Roman is laying on the ground, we hear the voice of his
Landlord Mr.Ford talking to an officer

MR.FORD (OS)

I haven't seen him for one week
now, I know something's wrong

The officer slams the door open, Mr.Ford and the officer see
Roman laying on the floor

MR.FORD

Roman!

OFFICER

He's dead

The officer sees an empty bottle of sleeping pills next to
Roman's body

OFFICER

An overdose probably

MR.FORD

He finally reached them

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OFFICER
Come again?

MR.FORD
Never mind...

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