

RIP SERMONS

fear_the_rising

First introduction of the RIP ideology, an enticing promise from Carlos to the Lost.

CARLOS

I know you, Lost One. I know your pain. You're running, struggling, fighting to survive. You wake up to the sounds of the end. The taste of defeat.

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You can't catch a break, can you? Can't catch your breath. Every minute is a struggle to survive.

CARLOS

Your days are numbered, but they never end. You have nowhere to turn, no one to trust. You're Lost.

CARLOS

But I found a place, friend. A place for you -- a place of Peace. Come to me, and I will show you. Come to me, and I'll take you on the Path. But your window is slim, and the Rising is coming. So come to me...and Rest in Peace.

dont_run

Why are Lost always running from the Free? You don't have to fear the dark anymore.

CARLOS

You there, running from the night. What are you afraid of? The Free, hunting you in the dark? You don't have to be.

CARLOS

You're Lost, and they're looking for you. To bring you home. To live as they live. To live as One Mind.

CARLOS

They don't harm those of us who are Found. No, we are their friends -- their protectors -- guiding them as

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CARLOS (cont'd)
 they guide us. We are part of One
 Mind too, and when they accept you as
 their own, well -- there's no need to
 fear the dark anymore.

pain_is_a_gift

Your pain and suffering is a gift. You have been Brought
 Low, and now you can be set on the path. You can joins us
 and Rest in Peace.

CARLOS
 Why are you here? What brought you to
 the end? Why do you still carry on,
 when everything you love is lost?

CARLOS
 You ask yourself these questions, but
 do you truly know the answer? Do you
 truly have the will?

CARLOS
 Life has Brought you Low. But don't
 be afraid of your pain. You'll find
 it's your greatest gift. It prepared
 a place for you here, among me and my
 friends. Your friends too, if you
 join us.

CARLOS
 Think about it. But don't think too
 long.

set_you_free

That pain you're feeling -- we can take it and we can set
 you Free. If you join us and walk the unnamed path, you
 don't have to suffer anymore.

CARLOS
 I know you're hurting, Lost One.
 Every day is a struggle. Day by day,
 you wake up and wonder -- is it worth
 it? It must be hard. You must be
 tired.

CARLOS
 But that pain you feel -- we can take
 it and set you Free. Set you on the
 Path, bring you closer to One Mind.
 When you walk the Unnamed Path with
 us, you don't have to suffer anymore.

CARLOS

Do you remember a world without fear?
A world of freedom? Once you're
Found, that world can be more than
just a memory. So come to me, Lost
One, and I'll show you a brighter
world. A better world. I'll show you
Freedom.

destroy_your_ego

Your ego is holding you back. You cling to earthly
possessions and faces long gone. When you destroy Self, you
become Found.

CARLOS

Before the Release -- we were
selfish. We only cared about
ourselves and what we wanted. The
needs of the world were nothing
compared to our own. And when we lost
it all? We were all Brought Low.

CARLOS

Your ego? It's holding you back. You
cling to these earthly possessions
and faces long gone. But why? Why
relish in the pain and suffering that
comes with remembering, when you can
just let go? What do you have left to
lose?

CARLOS

When you destroy Self -- when you let
go of your ego -- then you can be
Found. And wouldn't you rather Rest
in Peace then continue to fight a
losing battle?

sacrifice_for_freedom

As your Self dies, as you become Found, you will know true
Freedom. And when the Rising comes, you will be prepared to
fight for the Free, fight the Found. Those who are lost?
Their ego will destroy them. But not you.

CARLOS

Lost Ones, you must be in pain -- you
must suffer so much. Running from a
world you could be part of, clinging
to the festering wounds inside you?

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CARLOS (cont'd)
 Why struggle, when you can find
 peace -- when you can know Freedom?

CARLOS
 Come to us, Lost One, and we will
 release you of your ego. And as your
 Self dies -- as you become found --
 you will know Freedom only as we do.

CARLOS
 Nothing good comes without a cost. We
 must all Sacrifice to become Free.
 But the price you will pay is so
 small compared to what you will gain.
 And when the Rising comes -- when
 those who are still Lost are
 destroyed by their ego -- you will be
 Free. I know you will.

vo_one_mind

What is One Mind? Being a part of the grand collective is so
 much bigger than Self. Than anything one can possibly own.
 You will be a part of something bigger, and you will know
 true Peace.

CARLOS
 Do you know what it's like to be part
 of something greater? Not some
 decaying camp, not some twisted
 Club -- but to be part of something
 real? To be part of One Mind?

CARLOS
 The shuddering collective of the Free
 is grand -- and is so much bigger
 than the Self, the ego -- the thing
 you Lost cling to so desperately.
 It's bigger than anything you could
 possibly own -- food, love, the
 clothes on your back.

CARLOS
 If you come to us, you will become a
 part of something bigger -- a part of
 One Mind. The Free? They are Exalted,
 reverent, above us. And to brought
 into One Mind? That is when you will
 know True Peace.

founders_tale

Don't you see, friend? Anyone can be Found, if they're willing.

CARLOS

I wasn't always Found -- I wasn't always Free. Once I clung to my ego as you all do now. Once I believed happiness came from things and not from Freedom. But those things were taken from me -- just as your lives were taken from you.

CARLOS

As the world Released, I wandered for days, hopeless. I wanted to die. I believed there was nothing left for me. I was Brought Low by the world, but I couldn't see the Path. Then the Free -- hundreds of them -- approached me, and I submitted to them, ready to erase myself from this wretched earth.

CARLOS

But as they surrounded me, they accepted me as their own -- set me on the Path. They Found me and brought me to this land to be their protector, to Find you all -- to be Free. Don't you see, friend? Anyone can be Found, if they're willing. -- Are you?

the_ultimate_goal

One Mind is the ultimate goal. Everything we do, it is to better become a part of One Mind. You'll know it too, friend. You'll understand.

CARLOS

When you're with us, you're never alone. Not like you are now, Lost in the dark, fighting to survive. No -- we are all a part of One Mind, a part of the collective of the Free. We live so we can protect them, and in turn, they give us something greater.

CARLOS

Everything we do -- every sacrifice we make, every Lost we set on the
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CARLOS (cont'd)

Path -- is to become closer to One Mind. To better understand it. You don't see it now, no -- you're not on the Path. You're still Lost. But we'll Find you. Bring you into One Mind, where you belong.

CARLOS

You'll soon know the power of being together. You'll soon know what it's like to Rest in Peace. And you will survive the dreaded Rising -- you will become Free.

rest_in_peace

When Self dies -- when Ego dies -- we are Found. We can finally Rest in Peace. Don't you want that, friend? Peace?

CARLOS

Rest in Peace. You see it all the time, chiseled into the dated tombstones of those who died before finding true Freedom. You see it carved into our faces, telling the world that we -- are -- Found. And you whisper it to yourself now, trying the words on for size, wondering if you, too, can Rest in Peace.

CARLOS

Isn't that what you want, Lost One? Peace? We can give it to you, you know. We can free you of your ego, show you the Unnamed Path. You've been fighting all this time -- struggling against the world, yourself -- but you don't have to. Not anymore.

CARLOS

All you need to do is join us, and you will never struggle or fight again. You will know friends. You will know family. You will know the Free. And you will Rest -- in -- Peace.

the_free

The Free have reached the highest state of consciousness -- they are always part of One Mind. Why do we not become Free ourselves? Because they need us, friends. They need our protection.

CARLOS

When you're with us, you will become Found, but few who join us are truly Free. To become Free, it takes sacrifice, reverence, One Mind -- you must be willing to work for it. And your hard work will come with its rewards.

CARLOS

The Free -- they have reached the highest state of being -- One Mind -- and it is by their grace that they allow us to experience it too. We are blessed by their acceptance, and in turn, we protect them.

CARLOS

Why do we not become Free ourselves? Why do we not give ourselves over to them? Because they need us, friends. They need our protection. As they sleep, we do their work, making the world safe for them. And, in turn, they make us immortal -- make us strong. Don't you want that too?

the_rising_is_coming

The Rising is coming. And when the Lost arise to destroy the Free, that is when our hardest work will arrive. We cannot let One Mind be destroyed. Only we, the Founders, can protect the Free. Protect the World.

CARLOS

The Rising is coming. I have seen it -- I have heard the whispers of sorrow and rebellion on the lips of the Lost. And when those Lost arise to destroy the Free -- that is when our hardest work will come. That is when we will be needed most.

CARLOS

Everything we do is to prepare for the Rising. We must protect the Free, who are treated with cruelty and

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CARLOS (cont'd)
 malice. We must protect One Mind from
 being destroyed by those too ignorant
 to know what it offers.

CARLOS
 Only we -- the Found, the Founders --
 can protect the Free. And when we
 protect the Free -- we protect the
 World.

join_or_die

Wrap up (menacing and still enticing): the world has weighed
 you, friend, and brought you Low. You are tired, desperate,
 hungry. We know your pain, and we have turned it into
 strength, peace, One Mind. All you have to do is ask, and
 you can join us. Before it's too late.

CARLOS
 You stand at the edge, gazing into
 the abyss. The world has weighed you,
 friend, and brought you Low. You are
 tired, desperate, hungry -- and we
 see that in you. Do you jump into the
 warm embrace of the darkness to Rest
 in Peace with us? Or do you hesitate,
 forever clinging to your Self, your
 ego, your suffering?

CARLOS
 We know your pain, and we have turned
 ours into strength, into peace. We
 walk the Unnamed Path, where we do
 not know fear -- here we know only
 the power and acceptance of the Free.
 One Mind brings us together -- One
 Mind keeps us safe.

CARLOS
 You can join us, you know. You can
 know the world as we know it. All you
 have to do is ask -- and you will
 know us. Come to us now, Lost one --
 before it's too late.