

A Nightmare ON ELM STREET

Season 1, Episode 9: **Freddy**

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OPEN ON:

INT. SPRINGWOOD GENERAL - HALLWAY - NIGHT

We see the aftermath of the explosion, the room is being extinguished by the sprinklers as we focus on **JESSE**, **WALTER**, **CASSIE**, **TOMMY** and **LACEY**. All laying on the ground unconscious before Cassie wakes up, as does Tommy and Jesse, she looks at Lacey

CASSIE
Shit, Lacey..

Cassie comes to her side and turns her head, blood is pouring from the side as Cassie looks shocked

CASSIE (CONT'D)
Oh my god..

Jesse stands up

JESSE
I'll get a nurse..

Jesse runs down the hall as Tommy goes to the sheriff, who starts to wake up, Tommy helps him up as he holds his head

WALTER
Where's Jesse?

TOMMY
He went to get a nurse..

Walter looks at him, he speed walks down the hall as a nurse runs by, we see her and Cassie help Lacey up and walk down the hall as it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD GENERAL - LOBBY - NIGHT

We see Tommy sitting in the lobby, Cassie comes out and he stands up

TOMMY
Hey, how is she holding up?

Cassie shakes her head

CASSIE

She's concussed and.. is
unconscious without any dream
suppressant..

TOMMY

Shit, that means..

CASSIE

She's Freddy prone, which is why we
need to--

Walter walks up, furious, his uniform covered in dust

WALTER

Bad news.. Jesse is nowhere to be
found..

They look at him, shocked

CASSIE

He left?

Walter nods

WALTER

Yep, which makes you two the prime
suspects now.. I'm gonna need you
to come to the station..

TOMMY

Sheriff, We didn't do anything..

WALTER

Well, I'm not exactly giving you a
choice.. you can either come
quietly or we can--

CASSIE

Tommy, let's just go..

Tommy nods as they follow Walter out before it

CUT TO:

EXT. SPRINGWOOD GENERAL - PARKING LOT - MOMENTS LATER

Jesse, hiding behind a tree, watches as Walter, Tommy and
Cassie get in his cruiser and drive off, he ducks behind the
tree as they pass and thinks as it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD GENERAL - HALLWAY - NIGHT

We see Lacey run around the rotted hospital, she looks around desperately and thinks

LACEY
CASSIE, TOMMY, ANYBODY..

No answer as we hear a familiar sinister laugh, Lacey turns around and sees **FREDDY**, who flexes his finger knives

FREDDY
Long time, no see Lacey..

Lacey shakes her head as she runs down the hallway before it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INTERROGATION ROOM A -
MOMENTS LATER

Cassie is sitting at the table, looking around the empty room as Walter comes in, he closes the door and sits across from her, he sighs

WALTER
I'm gonna cut right to the chase
and ask.. why did Pete do it?

CASSIE
I've told you several times,
sheriff.. Freddy-

Walter sighs

WALTER
It's always Freddy, I get that..
but I need a plausible answer,
something I can actually use..

Cassie scoffs, she sighs

CASSIE
What do you want me to say? That
Pete and everyone else were just..
killing themselves in bizarre ways?
That doesn't sound plausible either
if you ask me..

Walter nods as he sits back, he thinks as he looks at her

WALTER

Why is this happening? What does this Freddy guy want with a bunch of teens?

Cassie shrugs

CASSIE

I wish I knew, sheriff.. but if you don't let me and Tommy leave, then Lacey is GOING to die.. she's practically defenseless when she dreams..

Walter looks at her, he chuckles and stands up, he sighs

WALTER

I wanted honesty, Cassie..

CASSIE

I'm giving you honesty, sheriff..

WALTER

No, you're giving me bullshit that I don't have time for..

Cassie SLAMS her hands on the table, she stands up

CASSIE

TAKE a look around, sheriff.. Michael, Mr. Morgan, Clark, and now Pete.. this isn't just some fucking suicide epidemic..

Walter looks shocked as he leaves, she looks around as it

CUT TO:

INT. ANGELA'S CAR - FRONT SEAT - MOMENTS LATER

We see ANGELA, driving along a highway before her phone rings, she answers it

ANGELA

Hello?

JESSE (ON PHONE)

Hey Ang..

Angela smiles

ANGELA

Hey, I'm heading towards Springwood
now, I should be there by--

JESSE (ON PHONE)

I fucked up..

Angela looks at the phone, confused

ANGELA

What do you mean? Are you all
right?

JESSE (ON PHONE)

I.. I tried to save these kids but
at every chance I had, I failed..
and I don't know what to do..

Angela thinks

ANGELA

Okay.. Jesse, I need you to tell me
what exactly did you do because
you're starting to scare me..

There's a pause as Angela turns on the turnpike, Jesse sighs

JESSE (ON PHONE)

It's not what I'm gonna do that's
the problem..

Angela shakes her head before a beep is heard, she looks at
her phone

ANGELA

Jesse?

She looks at the road and speeds up as it

CUT TO:

INT. MOTEL - JESSE'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

We see Jesse drop the landline, he lies on his bed and sighs

JESSE

I'm coming, Freddy..

Jesse closes his eyes and falls asleep as it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INTERROGATION ROOM A -
MOMENTS LATER

We see Cassie sitting in the interrogation room, she yawns as she rests her head on the table, the lighting goes from a yellow hue to blood-red as she gets up, she looks around before a sinister laugh is heard, she shakes her head

CASSIE
COME OUT, KREUGER.. I'M NOT AFRAID
OF YOU..

No answer, Cassie scoffs as the interrogation door opens, revealing Freddy, Cassie stands her ground as he comes in, he smiles

FREDDY
You called?

Cassie nods

CASSIE
I don't wanna fight.. at least not
yet..

Freddy nods before coming in, slamming the door shut, he looks at her

FREDDY
Then what do you want?

CASSIE
I.. want to know how you came to
be?

Freddy thinks, he spawns a chair and sits down

FREDDY
Well.. It started when a group of
parents banded together and--

CASSIE
You know what I mean, dickhead..

Freddy thinks as he gets up, he looks around and looks at Cassie

FREDDY
Instead of just telling you.. why
not SHOW you?

Freddy raises his hands and morphs the room into something else, Cassie looks around as every new piece starts to bind together before she sees where she is.

On a street with no traffic, no lights, and just the forest surrounding the road, she looks around in confusion

CASSIE
Where the hell am I?

Freddy appears behind her with a wicked smile

FREDDY
You wanted to see how I came back,
didn't you?

Cassie turns around and looks at him, she backs up before a car zooms past, she falls back into the ditch before she gets back up to see the car, a sense of familiarity rushes over her

CASSIE
That's..

FREDDY
It's not Lacey's car.. at least not yet..

Cassie looks at Freddy before we

SWOOSH TO:

INT. JOHN'S CAR - BACKSEAT - CONTINUOUS

Cassie looks around in the backseat before she focuses on the man driving the car, she realizes

CASSIE
Dad..

We get a clear look at **JOHN HANNIGAN**, driving his car, drinking a soda as Cassie focuses on the map in his backseat, it leads to a summer camp, she looks confused

CASSIE (CONT'D)
What is he doing?

FREDDY (V.O)
What Johnny boy did best.. mess
with shit that wasn't his..

Cassie looks around before it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INTERROGATION ROOM B -
MOMENTS LATER

We see Walter sitting across from Tommy, they're both looking at each other before Walter sighs

WALTER

You're not in trouble, Tommy.. you know that right?

Tommy nods

TOMMY

I know..

Walter nods

WALTER

Okay, And we can tell each other the truth, right?

Tommy nods

TOMMY

Yes..

Walter nods, he sighs

WALTER

Okay.. now, why are people suddenly dying in bizarre ways?

Tommy looks at him, he sighs

TOMMY

It's not because of Jesse, if that's what you're getting at..

Walter sighs, he plops the pencil onto the table and groans

WALTER

I've tried really hard to believe this Freddy bullshit.. but after seeing Pete blow himself up like that.. I wanna think there's something else going on..

TOMMY

Like what, sheriff? You think it's a cult?

WALTER

Well, it's a lot better explanation than a goddamn dream demon..

Tommy looks at him before he sighs, they both sit back and look around

TOMMY
I get why you wouldn't believe us..
Clark didn't either..

Walter shakes his head

WALTER
Don't do that.. don't try to use
him as some sort of leverage..

Tommy shrugs

TOMMY
It's true..

Walter gets up, he walks out of the room as it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INTERROGATION ROOM A
- MOMENTS LATER

Where Walter comes in, looking down

WALTER
All right, I wanna try one more
time and I better..

He looks up to see Cassie resting her head on the table, he sighs as he closes the door, he thinks

WALTER (CONT'D)
Dammit..

Walter pulls out the chair and sits across from her, he checks his watch as it

SMASH TO:

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OPEN ON:

INT. JOHN'S CAR - BACKSEAT - MOMENTS LATER

We see Cassie stare out the window as the car drives down the road, she looks at the map

CASSIE

I don't get it, why would he go to
a summer camp?

She looks at John before he turns onto a dirt road, Cassie gets a good look at the sign that shines from the headlights, the letters faded.

"WELCOME TO CAMP CRYSTAL LAKE, ENJOY YOUR ST..."

Cassie looks confused as she looks at Freddy

CASSIE (CONT'D)

Camp Crystal Lake?

Freddy playfully nods as we swoosh to

EXT. JOHN'S CAR

Cassie and Freddy stand outside of John's car, in front of the burnt down camp, Cassie backs away from him

CASSIE

Stop doing that..

Freddy chuckles as she turns around, seeing the ruins of the camp, she looks shocked

CASSIE (CONT'D)

What the hell happened here?

FREDDY

A big battle.. two forces of evil
met at this camp.. myself and..
Jason Voorhees..

Cassie looks at him

CASSIE

Jason..

Freddy nods

FREDDY

A big brute that beat me up and
down this dump.. of course, I got a
few good hits in but damnit, he
won..

Cassie looks shocked as John passes them, with a book shaped object in his hands

CASSIE
What does he have?

Freddy chuckles sinisterly as Cassie follows John before it

CUT TO:

INT. CAMP CRYSTAL LAKE - CABIN - MOMENTS LATER

John enters the still standing cabin, Cassie follows suit and looks around.

It's trashed completely, papers are everywhere and bunks are knocked over, the posters are ripped as she sees John open the wrapped book.

It's a familiar book, binded by flesh and copper wire surrounding the exterior, she looks grossed out but is in awe by the cover.

A decayed shrieking face, stuck in a look of horror as Freddy appears behind Cassie

CASSIE
What the fuck is that?

FREDDY
Necronomicon Ex Mortus.. the book of the dead..

Cassie looks at him as John walks deeper into the cabin

CASSIE
Can I use that thing to beat you?

Freddy shrugs

FREDDY
You can try, but you're gonna wanna see what it does first..

Cassie scoffs as she follows John, who stops in the middle of the room, he pulls out wire cutters and cuts the wire off of the book, he unwraps it and uncovers a cellar door, he opens it and goes in, Cassie follows him in.

INT. CABIN - CELLAR - CONTINUOUS

Cassie comes down to see John, on the floor with chalk, he makes a makeshift pentagram on the ground, he gets up and retrieves a trophy from the wall.

It's Freddy's HEAD, decayed and filled with maggots, Cassie looks disgusted as John opens the book

CASSIE
Freddy.. what is he doing..

Freddy cackles and sighs

FREDDY
Enjoy The show..

Cassie looks at John as he gets on his knees.

JOHN
Spirits of the necronomicon Ex
Mortus.. I summon you today not for
glory or worship.. but for
compliance and sheer knowledge of
the dead.. my brothers of the
Damned have sought you out for
months but I've managed to get
ahold before they can do some dark
things..

Suddenly, thunder is heard as the book begins to shake, John backs up before a LOUD scream is heard, Cassie covers her ears as Freddy smiles from ear to ear before John looks at the book

NECRONOMICON (HISsing)
WhAt Do YoU DeSiRe?..

John looks at it, shocked as he clears his throat

JOHN
I want to unleash hell upon the
world, using THIS vessel..

Cassie looks shocked as John rises Freddy's head over his, he picks the book up and turns the page, looking at a paragraph written in Latin

JOHN (CONT'D)
Adducere in hoc mundo tantibus olim
et ad gloriam. Im 'promptus ut fiat
tibi corpus meum, et facti sunt
tibi monstrum SEMEL!!

Cassie backs up as lightning **STRIKES** through the cabin and into the cellar, hitting Freddy's head and John in the process, he falls to the ground and drops the book in the process, Cassie stands in shock as she backs up

CASSIE

This is.. this is fucking insane..

Cassie walks over to the necronomicon, she kneels down and looks at the open page before John GASPS for air, she falls to the floor as he sits up, looking around before looking at the book, he sighs

JOHN

A dud.. Damnit..

John stands up before his nose starts to bleed, drops of it fall onto the page as he starts limping to the floor, Cassie sees the blood seep into the page before we

SWOOSH TO:

INT. JOHN'S CAR - BACKSEAT - MOMENTS LATER

Cassie sees John driving down the dark road, she doesn't see Freddy as John coughs, he feels his face getting itchy and scratches it, ash gets on the tips of his fingers, he looks at his hand in confusion

JOHN

What the hell?

John stops his car, he looks in the rearview mirror to see his face covered in ash, he tries to wipe it off but it only sheds onto the steering wheel, he thinks before he clutches his chest, Cassie sees smoke and gets out of the car.

We see John reach for his phone, he dials a number and holds it against his ear

DISPATCHER (ON PHONE)

911, what's your emergency?

JOHN

My name is John Hannigan, I'm outside of--

Suddenly, John vomits blood onto the steering wheel, he coughs as he drops his phone

DISPATCHER

Sir? Sir, are you still there?

John tries to reach for it but his back is burned into the seat, he screams in pain as a fire arises in his floorboard, his screams get louder, Cassie runs towards him before

WHOOSH.

John is consumed by the fire, his screams slowly fade as his body sinks into the seat, Cassie watches in horror as a **HAND** slams onto the door.

Cassie backs up, she looks terrified as the figure comes out from the fire, revealing FREDDY, he dusts off his hat and places it on his head as he cackles before spreading his arms

FREDDY
TAH DAH..

Cassie backs up before falling down a ditch and into the

INT. BOILER ROOM - HALLWAY

Cassie falls onto the dirty floor and groans, she gets up and looks around before getting tapped on the shoulder by someone she turns around quickly and Jesse catches her hand

JESSE
It's me..

Cassie sighs in relief before he lets go, she looks at him

CASSIE
How do I really know it's you?

Jesse looks at her

JESSE (CONFUSED)
What?

CASSIE
Freddy pretended to be me and let us believe we killed him.. how do I know that you aren't Freddy..

JESSE
Because, I've been stuck here and have been trying to find Lacey.. what about you?

CASSIE
I found out how he came back..

Jesse looks intrigued

JESSE

How did he--

Suddenly, **FINGER KNIVES** burst through Jesse's chest, splashing blood onto Cassie's face, she backs up in shock as Jesse spits up blood before being raised in the air by Freddy

FREDDY

Looks like I'm on point this time..

CASSIE

NO..

Jesse groans as Freddy throws him into the wall, he falls as Freddy looks at Cassie

FREDDY

And now, it's Lacey's turn..

LACEY (BEHIND HIM)

Is it?

Freddy turns around as Lacey **WHACKS** Freddy in the head with a pipe, he knocks back into the wall as he snarls at Lacey

FREDDY

How did you get here?

Lacey shrugs

LACEY

Saw an opening at the hospital,
lead me to here.. now leave my
sister alone..

Freddy growls as he stands up, Cassie rushes to Jesse as Freddy runs towards Lacey, she swiftly dodges him and **SHOVES** the pole through his head, Freddy screams as she pushes him up against the wall, She **SHOVES** it through the wall and leaves him there, he starts flailing his arms around before she backs up

LACEY (CONT'D)

And stay there..

Lacey turns to see Cassie holding Jesse's hand, she kneels down towards them

LACEY (CONT'D)

Shit..

Jesse looks at her, he scoffs

JESSE

It's just a flesh wound.. I'm--

Suddenly, Jesse coughs up more blood, Cassie looks at Lacey

CASSIE

We gotta wake him up..

Jesse shakes his head

JESSE

Don't, I'll die quicker otherwise..

Cassie looks at him, she reluctantly nods as he sighs

JESSE (WEAKLY) (CONT'D)

I'm.. sorry about your friends..

Cassie shakes her head

CASSIE

It isn't just on you.. we all failed..

Jesse nods as he thinks

JESSE

I need you to tell my sister something..

CASSIE

What?

Jesse looks at her, he smiles

JESSE

I didn't go out like a coward.. and that I love her.. wish I said it more to her..

Jesse chuckles weakly before his eyes gloss over, his body disappears and Cassie is shocked, she looks over to see Freddy gone, she sighs as Lacey starts to fade

LACEY

Cassie, what's happening?

Cassie looks at her

CASSIE

You're waking up..

SMASH TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INTERROGATION ROOM A -
CONTINUOUS

Cassie wakes up, she SPRINGS up as Walter stands up, he approaches her

WALTER
Hey, Hey.. you're alright..

Cassie looks around as she looks at Walter

CASSIE
How long was I out?

WALTER
Two hours.. give or take..

Cassie nods as she tears up, Walter looks concerned as she cries

WALTER (CONT'D)
Whoa, what happened?

Cassie looks at him, holding her head

CASSIE
Jesse.. he's dead..

Walter looks shocked as he pulls out his radio

WALTER
All units, head to the Springwood
Motel on main for a wellness check
on a Jesse Walsh..

Walter rushes out of the room as Cassie sits down, Tommy comes to the door, he walks up to her

TOMMY
Hey.. are you--

Cassie gets up and hugs Tommy, he hugs back as it

CUT TO:

INT. SPRINGWOOD GENERAL - LACEY'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

We see Lacey wake up, she sits up to see her reflection.

Her head is wrapped in bandages as she looks around

LACEY
Hello?

We see a nurse come in with a smile, she walks up to Lacey

NURSE
You're up.. what do you--

LACEY
Where's my sister, Cassie Hannigan?

NURSE
She got taken for questioning by
the sheriff, but you don't have to
worry about that now.. you need to
rest..

LACEY
No, I'm not sleeping.. I need to
see my sister..

Lacey gets off of the bed and grabs her clothes as the nurse
watches her take off her gown to put a shirt on

NURSE
You have a concussion, Ms.
Hannigan, you can't just waltz out
of here..

Lacey looks at her as she puts her pants on

LACEY
Watch me..

Lacey walks towards the door and leaves as it

CUT TO:

INT. MOTEL - JESSE'S ROOM - MOMENTS LATER

Walter is standing in the room, shocked as he sees Jesse's
corpse, a hole blown through his chest, blood dripping off of
the bed frame, he sighs

WALTER
Jesus, man.. why couldn't he just
stay at the hospital?

We hear a car pull up and a door close

ANGELA (FROM OUTSIDE)
Jesse?

Walter turns around as he sees Angela approaching the door,
he stops her before she can come in

WALTER

Miss, I need you to stay back..

ANGELA

No, No.. my brother is staying
here, please tell me he's okay..

Walter looks at her, he shakes his head as Angela looks
shocked, tears form in her ears

ANGELA (CONT'D)

No.. no, Jesse.. you would never..

Angela sobs as Walter hugs her, backing her away from the
room

WALTER

I'm so sorry, miss..

Angela continues sobbing as it **SMASHES TO BLACK**