

## Genesis Avalon: Patriot, Trailer 1 “A Call to Arms”

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[radio static and interference, beeps of an incoming and distorted signal]

[Casey’s voice comes through in the static]

CASEY

Are you listening? I am one voice, but I speak for the many. I am the Vanguard. I am the Voice of Freedom. I am the voice of those who cry for deliverance, for peace, for freedom: freedom from tyranny, freedom to speak, to love, to act, to fight - to be our own heroes. Freedom from an unjust horde of jack-booted thugs: the paramilitary, superhero-murdering Stewards.

[rioting noises in the static interspersed throughout the scene]

CASEY

I speak for those who demand justice for Genesis Avalon, Exodus Avalon, Atomsmasher, for the countless other heroes who have died or been exiled so that ruin and violence keep you subjugated. Keep you scared. Keep you silent. I need you to find your voice. Lend yours to mine. Remember what this country was supposed to be. Remember the words on Lady Liberty before the Stewards chipped and hacked at the plaques and cut off access to the island. “Give me your tired, your poor, Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, The wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!”

CASEY

Don’t you remember? We were supposed to be a light in the darkness, a beacon for all those who needed help, who needed shelter! And we’ve never done that. But, instead of forging ahead, building on top of the foundation of freedom and liberty, we are walking backwards - no, we are tumbling backwards into the darkness like rats who don’t know how to flee the sinking ship!

CASEY

It’s been a year since the Stewards were armed by evil men using the Constitution as their justification. A year since they took the Avalons from us. I know what they’ve told you - they died, they were traitors - but it’s all bullshit! And the world outside this shithole country knows that. They know that our heroes can’t come back, that we’ve told them we don’t want them. The rest of the world is whizzing past us towards peace and liberty on a global scale in ways the Founders of our country could never have dreamed of.

CASEY

And we’re sinking into a pit. We’re running out of time, our fingers clawing into mud that grows more suffocating, threatening to bury us in our own filth and fear. There’s no endgame here for the Stewards, don’t you see that? The moment they were done with the heroes, they came for the journalists, the immigrants, the so-called “sympathizers”. Who are they going to come after next?

CASEY

It's as if no one remembers the plague, the quarantine, when we had newspapers and four news networks. We used to be a democracy.

CASEY

You saw John Ladron and Kathy Rosetti taken away, yanked out of their news desks on live television. You saw them executed on Red Day. You saw them pull peaceful protesters, dissenters, out of the streets and line them up. We cannot let this be the legacy of our country. We cannot let this be the natural conclusion to that first act of patriotism that said: No. Give me liberty or give me death!

[static inference echoing Casey's line "Are you listening?"]

CASEY

If you're hearing this, then it's because you remember. You knew it was wrong then. It's wrong now. You know what they do to people at the border. You remember a time when you didn't have to travel in pairs, just to make sure there was a witness...

CASEY

This is not freedom. This is not the pursuit of happiness. And this certainly isn't life or liberty.

CASEY

We can still turn this back. We can stop it. But, you have to rise up. You have to tell everyone who will listen. You have to Resist, any way you can.

CASEY

They are reaching out and pulling the only good things left in this world back into their claws. How long will it be before they start to stretch that dark hand out to the rest of the world?

CASEY

If you are a Voice of Freedom... if you were ever going to do something... Get this message outside the firewalls. Get it to Genesis Avalon. She is out there. She lives. She has to.

CASEY

Tell her you believe in her. Tell her to help us.

[alert beeps]

CASEY

Freedom is calling you. I need you to answer.

[static grows louder]

CASEY

Be A Patriot.

[static cuts out, end transmission]