

Happy New Year

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LEWIS

No. I don't want to fucking talk.
Take your B1, Phil shit somewhere
else. Leave me the hell alone. I'm
fine.

Jerome holds up his hands and leaves. The pulley bar jams.
Frustrated, Lewis, pushes it away from him.

LOOCH

Need some help.

LEWIS

No.

LOOCH

Yo man, I'm sorry about the other
night. This guy fuckin' called me
fuckin' handicapped.

LEWIS

Really?

LOOCH

Yeah. Fuckin' hate that shit.

Looch pulls out his wallet and shows Lewis a picture of his
son.

LEWIS

Who's that?

LOOCH

My son, Vinny. He's turning 4 next
week. His mother keeps asking me to
come see him. I don't know.

LEWIS

What's the problem?

LOOCH

I don't want him to see me like
this, man. I look like a fucking
freak.

LEWIS

He knows where you were, doesn't
he?

LOOCH

Yeah, but, I don't know if he'll
understand.

(beat; then, referring to
his arm)

This shit didn't happen in combat.

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LOOCH(cont'd)

I was drunk, fucking around and I got hurt. I can't tell him that. At least you have fucking awards and shit to show. I guess I just want him to be proud of me.

A beat.

LEWIS

You served your country. That's enough for him to be proud of.

End

Looch nods and walks away. Brian walks over.

BRIAN

Alright, Lewis. How're we doing today? You think we're about ready to start Phase 2?

LEWIS

Sure.

INT. LEWIS' HOSPITAL ROOM - 3 AM

Lewis awakes from a nightmare and screams. Jerome is right by his side.

JEROME

It's OK...just a bad dream. You're safe now, man. You're safe.

LEWIS

(still in haze of dream)
Unhook me, man. Unhook me. Please!

JEROME

Lewis, you're not hooked up to anything. I promise. See?

Lewis raises his head and looks around the room in fear. He lies back down on the pillow. He looks up at Jerome. Jerome grabs Lewis hand. Lewis squeezes Jerome's hand hard.

INT. HOSPITAL HALLWAY - DAY

It's Memorial Day. Orderlies and volunteers decorate the halls with signs wishing the vets a happy holiday.

There is a flurry of activity. Everyone heads to the chapel. Jerome pushes Lewis down the hall.

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