

THE DEEP SPACE – RETOLD

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28 Play Later – Play 7

SAM I don't want to talk to you

CAT We don't have much time

SAM What's life like over there, in your ivory tower?

CAT He abused you

SAM With your cleaner and your mani-pedi's

CAT Physically

SAM Holiday's in the Hamptons

CAT Emotionally

SAM On your 500,000k a year

CAT Sexually

SAM Fuck you

CAT Kay said you were going to leave him

SAM He was me whole world

CAT Christmas right around the corner, bills piling up

SAM Life and soul of the party

CAT An unemployed, abusive alcoholic

SAM He'd do anything for me, for the kids

CAT I'm sorry you missed the funeral

SAM How's your dyke girlfriend?

CAT We sang. Sang over their tiny coffins, both of them side by side

SAM Has she dumped you yet? Or is she just fucking someone else while you're 'ere?

CAT Mum and dad send their love

SAM How long's it been - ten year?

CAT They say you won't see them

SAM I should've checked in on them, one last time

CAT You didn't?

SAM Didn't want to wake them up

CAT Want a cigarette?

SAM Gave up

CAT Menthols, right?

SAM No

CAT Kay smokes menthols

SAM Yeah

CAT Ever nick one from her?

SAM No

CAT Not even when you're stressed?

SAM No

CAT They found one

SAM Who?

CAT In the ashes. A menthol

SAM That bitch

CAT No

SAM She was in love with him

CAT I heard you

SAM When

CAT I called, to wish Preston a happy 1st birthday

SAM You didn't

CAT Called too late, got Liam on the phone. He was drunk.

SAM You didn't

CAT Heard you in the background, going to check in on the kids

SAM

CAT You lied to me

SAM

CAT You stole a cigarette from Kay. You went home. You checked on the kids

SAM

CAT What then?

SAM

CAT What then?

SAM They were so...little

CAT

SAM Becky looked at me with those big, big eyes. Preston didn't wake up

CAT

SAM And Liam were fast asleep too. My angel.

CAT

SAM

CAT And then

SAM I knocked over the ashtray. The flames, they were everywhere. I ran. I. Ran

CAT

SAM I panicked

CAT

SAM Later, Kay rang. The police, a fire. All of them

CAT Gone

SAM My angels

CAT

SAM Help me

CAT What?

SAM Help me

CAT How?

SAM Kill me

CAT No

SAM I don't want to remember. I remember, I don't want to remember, I didn't remember – you made me remember!

CAT I can't

SAM You MADE me remember!

screams

CAT Sam...

SAM Please...please...you have too...

CAT I.