

### 336: Capture Him at All Costs

Outside the hospital, James was being closely guarded, but as soon as he made a run for it, King and Vaughn, along with a few others, followed suit.

"Harrison, you can't leave yet!" King blocked James at the door. "The doctors haven't approved your discharge. Please come back with me."

James understood they were looking out for him, but his urgency was clear. "But my sister's injured! I need to see her and make sure she's alright!"

"If you want to check on Caitlin, at least make sure you're safe. Don't make her worry about you too!" King said, his voice firm.

James finally agreed, but just as King attempted to escort him back inside, there was a sharp "bang!" A bullet whizzed through the gap between them, embedding into the metal doorframe, leaving a hole.

Both of them immediately recognized the danger. "Get inside! There's danger!" King shouted, pushing James towards the hospital.

They rushed back inside, and more gunshots rang out, this time hitting the glass behind them.

"Vaughn!" King shouted, "Escort Harrison back to his room! The rest, follow me!"

James was quickly escorted back to his hospital room while King led the team out the other door, heading towards the sniper's position.

From the other side of the street, King and his team entered a high-rise building. Kairos, who had just missed his shot, was now aware that he had been detected. He needed to leave immediately.



King directed his men to contact the building's security, securing all exits, as he and his team moved up to search for the sniper.

At the hospital, James lay back in his room, feeling uneasy. The sniper had clearly aimed at him, but thanks to King, he had narrowly escaped. But who was the sniper? Could it be someone from The Silent Order?

King had already informed Tyler, who passed the information along to Sebastian. Sebastian, however, didn't want to worry Caitlin just yet. He made an excuse to leave Vanderbilt Manor and quickly headed towards the hospital with his men.

Meanwhile, Kairos had already been cornered inside the high-rise. With no way out, he was now looking for a different escape route.

King and his team made their way through the building, finally finding traces of the sniper—a few spent bullet casings and cigarette butts. It was clear that Kairos had been hiding in this very spot, with a clear view of the hospital entrance. However, by the time King arrived, Kairos had fled.

Kairos tried a couple of exits, but all were sealed. He had no choice but to attempt another escape, and this time, he ran right into King.

In a narrow hallway, Kairos was holding a sniper rifle bag and had his face covered, which quickly exposed his identity. King raised his weapon and fired, but Kairos blocked with the rifle case and ran, heading deeper into the building. A chase ensued.

Fortunately, the floor they were on was an empty office area under construction, so no one was in danger. They fought back and forth for several minutes until Kairos ran into the security passage and started running downstairs. King, without hesitation, followed.

Outside, Sebastian and his team arrived just as the gunshots echoed up



from the building. The security told Sebastian that the exits had been blocked, and King was still pursuing Kairos.

"Stay here! If you spot the suspect, open fire immediately. The rest of you, come with me!" Sebastian ordered, leading the charge upstairs.

King and Kairos exchanged fire up several floors. Eventually, Kairos ducked into an office with dozens of employees working there. He burst in, weapon in hand, causing a panic.

"Don't move! Get down and cover your heads, or I'll shoot!" Kairos shouted, holding the employees hostage.

King arrived just as Kairos had positioned himself, keeping his weapon aimed at the hostages. "Don't come any closer! I'll shoot!" Kairos warned.

The employees screamed in fear, huddling together, terrified for their lives.

King froze, realizing that Kairos had taken dozens of hostages, and any wrong move would lead to them getting hurt. The priority now was to stall for time.

At that moment, Sebastian and Tyler, having followed the sounds of gunfire, reached the office. From the door crack, they could see the standoff inside.

Sebastian quickly assessed the situation and whispered to Tyler, who sprinted off to make a move.

One of the hostages, frightened and desperate to flee, tried to move, but Kairos immediately fired a shot near the person's feet, causing them to collapse in terror.



"Don't hurt them!" King shouted, trying to reason with Kairos. "You know your position! You're surrounded! The only way out is to surrender!"

Kairos, enraged, shouted back, "Drop your weapon! Or I'll kill them all!"

King remained steady, not showing signs of giving in. Kairos fired again, this time hitting a hostage in the leg.

"Bang!"

"Ahhh!" The hostage screamed in agony, writhing on the floor.

[Agree to his demands! Stall for time!]

The voice in King's earpiece came through clearly—Sebastian's order. King, realizing their backup had arrived, pretended to relent. "Stop killing innocents! I'll drop my weapon!"

King slowly lowered his gun, placing it on the ground. He raised his hands to show he meant no harm.

"Kick it over here!" Kairos demanded.

King obeyed, using his foot to slide the weapon towards Kairos. In that split second, Tyler, who had successfully scaled the outer wall, leaped through the window from behind, catching Kairos off guard.

With a single move, Tyler tackled Kairos, and the sniper realized he'd been ambushed. He fired his weapon wildly as he tried to break free.

"Bang! Bang! Bang!"