

STARGATE ATLANTIS
"THE GIFT"
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TIMECODE DIALOGUE

START TIMECODE 01:00:00:00 AT FIRST FRAME OF PICTURE

TEASER

01:01:23:17 TEYLA: Major Sheppard. Major!

END OF TEASER

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01:03:18:20 TEYLA: Ah!

01:03:35:27 TEYLA (CONT'D): Continue.

01:03:37:17 SHEPPARD: Going easy on me, huh?

01:03:39:05 TEYLA: I assure you, Major, I am not. Continue.

01:03:52:20 SHEPPARD: You okay?

01:03:56:29 TEYLA: Yes.

01:03:57:29 SHEPPARD: Are you sure? Because it's usually me picking my butt up off the
 mat.

01:04:01:26 TEYLA: Truthfully, I have not been sleeping much, and when I do, I've been
 having nightmares about the Wraith.

01:04:08:05 SHEPPARD: Well, you're not the only one.

01:04:10:20 TEYLA: It has not been so bad since my father was taken.

01:04:23:09 WEIR (V/O): According to...

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01:04:24:09 WEIR (CONT'D): Dr. Zelenka's calculations, we have less than one week before the Wraith arrive. I want options.

01:04:31:07 MCKAY: You mean besides crying ourselves to sleep? Well, not me. I haven't slept in days.

01:04:36:21 WEIR: And what do you have to show for your sleepless nights, Rodney?

01:04:39:24 MCKAY: Since we got here, we've uncovered a number of defensive weapons systems beyond the shield--

01:04:43:23 ZELENKA: We think our best option is the control chair.

01:04:46:07 MCKAY: I was going to say that.

01:04:47:22 ZELENKA: Yes, but you were taking too long, as usual.

01:04:48:14 MCKAY: Yes, but the point is...

01:04:49:04 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): this may not be our best chance.

01:04:50:04 ZELENKA (O/S): Name a better one.

01:04:51:13 WEIR: Gentlemen.

01:04:53:03 MCKAY (O/S): Of course, like the shield, power...

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01:04:54:04 MCKAY (CONT'D): will be our biggest problem.

01:04:55:04 ZELENKA: We haven't even been able to initialize the chair yet, much less
determine whether we can meet the power requirements to run it.

01:04:59:27 WEIR: Okay. Keep me posted. Sergeant Bates...

01:05:03:10 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): where are we with our Alpha site?

01:05:05:10 BATES: We've completed the ground and aerial security sweep and are ready to
begin establishing base camp. We're just awaiting final inspection by
Major Sheppard.

01:05:11:08 SHEPPARD: Right after lunch.

01:05:13:01 WEIR: Good. Teyla, are the Athosians getting prepared for an evacuation?

01:05:17:23 TEYLA: Yes, but many believe there is no other world that is safe from the Wraith.

01:05:21:03 WEIR: They want to stay?

01:05:23:06 TEYLA: As we have heard from our allies and seen for ourselves, there are
cullings happening all over the galaxy. My people have spent their lives
hiding from the Wraith.

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01:05:30:01 WEIR: Yes, well, the difference here being we do intend to destroy the city rather than let it fall into the hands of the Wraith, and, if it comes to that, anyone left on the mainland will be cut off from the stargate for good. Now, thanks to...

01:05:42:23 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): Rodney's discovery of the gate's control crystal, we at least know we'll be able to...

01:05:46:26 WEIR (CONT'D): take that with us and hopefully use it to access Earth again some time in the future.

01:05:49:28 TEYLA: We understand that, Dr. Weir.

01:05:52:28 WEIR: I'm sorry, I--

01:05:54:06 TEYLA (O/S): I am merely saying that the people of Athos...

01:05:55:19 TEYLA (CONT'D): wish you to know that if we are going to stay and fight, they too...

01:05:58:05 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): will help defend the city of the Ancestors.

01:06:00:07 WEIR: Well, that is very honorable, but I--

01:06:01:20 KAVANAUGH (O/S): Oh, please!

01:06:03:03 KAVANAUGH (CONT'D): We can't possibly consider staying and fighting.

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01:06:05:13 SHEPPARD: Well, I disagree. I think it's entirely within the realm of possibility.

01:06:10:05 KAVANAUGH (O/S): There are tens of thousands...

01:06:11:18 KAVANAUGH (CONT'D): of life-sucking aliens in highly advanced spaceships on their way here to destroy us...

01:06:16:13 KAVANAUGH (CONT'D O/S): and we have what, 200 people, most of whom are scientists who've never even...

01:06:20:21 KAVANAUGH (CONT'D): fired a gun before?

01:06:22:04 MCKAY: Shockingly, for the first time ever, I find myself having to agree with Kavanaugh.

01:06:25:20 SHEPPARD: All I'm saying is let's not give up...just yet.

01:06:29:21 MCKAY: What was that we were supposed to all remember? Something important. Oh, yes, that's right--the Alamo.

01:06:35:03 SHEPPARD: Granted, you guys are scientists. No one's considering putting you guys on the front line, but science can turn the tide of war. Look at the...

01:06:43:03 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): A-bomb.

01:06:44:03 ZELENKA: Not exactly our proudest moment.

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01:06:47:01 WEIR (O/S): The fact is, the Wraith aren't here quite yet...

01:06:48:22 WEIR (CONT'D): and until that moment, I would like everyone to remain focused on what it is they do best. Like I said off the top, if there are any options, I want them. That's all.

01:07:16:10 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Teyla?

01:07:18:27 TEYLA: Hi.

01:07:21:04 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Kate Heightmeyer.

01:07:22:14 TEYLA: Yes. Right. I knew that. I'm sorry.

01:07:26:07 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: No problem. Mind if I join you?

01:07:29:00 TEYLA: No, of course not.

01:07:33:20 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Strange how the memory just goes away when we're tired.

01:07:37:04 TEYLA: You are a doctor, right?

01:07:39:07 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Psychologist, actually.

01:07:40:29 TEYLA: And that is different than Dr. Beckett?

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01:07:44:25 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Quite, yes. Um, I deal with the mind. I try and help people deal with emotional problems...

01:07:52:21 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): like anxiety, depression, post-traumatic distress.

01:07:56:17 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Well, needless to say, I've been pretty busy since we got here.

01:07:59:17 TEYLA: I can imagine.

01:08:01:18 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (O/S): I'm sure that...

01:08:02:27 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): you do a lot of the same things that I do for your people, but it must be very hard on you, always having to keep such a brave face.

01:08:10:16 TEYLA: From strength comes hope. Without hope, my people would be lost.

01:08:17:15 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: You must feel you have to be outwardly strong for us, as well.

01:08:22:12 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Teyla, I know that your value and your loyalty have been questioned by a few here in the past.

01:08:28:06 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): What I'm trying to say to you is...

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01:08:30:16 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): if you ever need to talk, I'm here.

01:08:33:04 TEYLA: Did Major Sheppard ask you to speak with me?

01:08:34:27 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Yes, he may have--

01:08:36:15 TEYLA: I'm sorry. I do not mean to be rude, but I'm fine. Really. I appreciate your concern.

01:09:03:00 TEYLA: Major.

01:09:05:15 SHEPPARD: Teyla.

01:09:06:25 TEYLA: What did you tell Dr. Heightmeyer?

01:09:08:17 SHEPPARD: Exactly what you told me. That you couldn't sleep because you were having nightmares.

01:09:12:07 TEYLA: I confided in you.

01:09:14:19 SHEPPARD: You're a member of my team, which makes you my responsibility, and I only told one person, whose job, by the way, is to deal exactly with this sort of thing.

01:09:23:23 TEYLA: There is nothing wrong with my mind.

01:09:26:12 SHEPPARD: Nobody said there was.

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01:09:27:29 TEYLA: I have a hard enough time getting your people to respect me without them thinking I'm crazy.

01:09:32:09 SHEPPARD: Nobody thinks you're crazy, and everybody respects you.

01:09:34:17 TEYLA: That is not the point.

01:09:36:03 SHEPPARD: Look, Teyla, you may want to sit this one out.

01:09:40:12 TEYLA: What do you mean?

01:09:42:09 SHEPPARD: Well, Rodney's staying back, and Ford and I are just going to check out the Alpha site one last time...

01:09:45:23 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): before we have to move in.

01:09:48:02 TEYLA: Should we evacuate, my people will be forced to that planet as well.

01:09:50:18 SHEPPARD: And I'll make sure it's safe for everyone.

01:09:52:29 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): Look, Teyla...

01:09:55:10 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): I'm not saying there's anything wrong with you, God forbid, but you yourself admitted that you were a little off your game.

01:10:01:16 SHEPPARD (CONT'D O/S): You snapped at Dr. Weir this morning in the briefing room for no good reason.

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01:10:04:26 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Now you're biting my head off for caring that you might need help dealing with the fact that it's been three days since you've had any sleep.

01:10:09:26 TEYLA: I'm sorry, but I do not need any help. The Wraith are coming. What I need is to do something.

01:10:16:17 SHEPPARD: Okay. Good. I suggest you take a nap.

01:10:56:00 MCKAY: Teyla.

01:10:57:12 TEYLA: Dr. McKay.

01:10:59:01 MCKAY: I was just, um... We're seeing each other.

01:11:07:18 TEYLA: You and Dr. Heightmeyer?

01:11:11:16 MCKAY: Well, you know how much I love women with great, um... minds. Just don't say anything to anyone.

01:11:19:11 TEYLA: Your secret is safe with me.

01:11:21:01 MCKAY: Right. Very good. Excellent.

01:11:28:19 TEYLA: Dr. Heightmeyer?

01:11:29:25 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Teyla. Come in.

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01:11:32:13 TEYLA (O/S): I'm sorry to bother you.

01:11:34:14 TEYLA (CONT'D): Is it all right if I...

01:11:36:16 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Of course. Please, have a seat.

01:11:51:02 TEYLA: I guess I'm not really sure how this is supposed to work.

01:11:54:10 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Just relax. Tell me whatever's on your mind.

01:12:01:11 TEYLA: I have been having bad dreams. I feel...

01:12:11:15 TEYLA (CONT'D): Everyone on this base is probably afraid. I do not know why I'm
 bothering you--

01:12:15:28 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Have you always been able to sense the Wraith?

01:12:18:15 TEYLA: Yes. Since I can remember.

01:12:22:02 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Well, what does it feel like?

01:12:33:26 TEYLA: It feels like a deep cold that comes from within.

01:12:40:07 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I first felt it when I was a girl. I could not breathe, and I did
 not know why...

01:12:47:13 TEYLA (CONT'D): and then we heard the darts.

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01:12:50:01 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Do you feel that way now?

01:12:53:08 TEYLA: I have had a knot inside me for some time now.

01:12:57:18 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: As I understand, though, their ships are still a great distance from Atlantis.

01:13:01:09 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): Can you really sense them from so far away?

01:13:05:27 TEYLA: This feeling is a little different than in the past. Perhaps it is because it is always there now. I am getting used to it. Never before in my lifetime have so many Wraith been awake.

01:13:21:08 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Do many of your people have this ability?

01:13:24:15 TEYLA: Some. Among those few, some can sense the Wraith stronger than others. I have always been among the first to know they are coming.

01:13:34:12 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: That makes you special.

01:13:36:00 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): How does that make you feel?

01:13:38:11 TEYLA: I do not know. I suppose I have not given it much thought.

01:13:40:20 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Why not?

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01:13:41:24 TEYLA: Why do some people have blue eyes and others brown?

01:13:49:10 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Tell me about your nightmares.

END OF ACT ONE

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01:14:48:28 TEYLA: It was me.

01:14:50:15 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: You were standing over yourself?

01:14:53:03 TEYLA: It was me... but it was not me. I was a Wraith.

01:14:57:27 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: The truth is, people waste a lot of time trying to interpret
 their dreams. They're really just another way our brain thinks when we're
 asleep. There are no hidden meanings. In fact, we tend to forget most
 everything we dream about. Our conscious mind is capable of deciding
 what's most important to us.

01:15:13:11 TEYLA: Well, the fact that, on some level, I see myself as a Wraith is very
 disturbing to me.

01:15:17:24 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: I think this special ability you have, this talent for sensing
 the Wraith, connects you to them in your mind...

01:15:25:16 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): maybe in a way you would like to deny.

01:15:30:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): You said you hadn't really given it much thought
 in the past. I don't think that's true.

01:15:34:25 TEYLA: What am I supposed to do? I cannot change it.

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01:15:37:19 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (O/S): Probably not...

01:15:39:19 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): but the unknown frightens us. We all like to feel
in control...

01:15:45:03 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): even though most of the time our power
over most things is just an illusion...

01:15:50:06 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): but I find the more we know about something,
the more we can convince ourselves we are in control of it.

01:15:58:26 BECKETT: I ran every test I could on all of you from the get-go. Physiologically,
you and your people are the same as we are. I have no explanation...

01:16:06:28 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): for any of your special super powers.

01:16:08:12 TEYLA: I only have one.

01:16:09:19 BECKETT: I've seen you fight, my dear.

01:16:12:03 TEYLA: I have previously traced this ability as something that is passed on
through family lineage. Does that not make it biological?

01:16:19:06 BECKETT: It would seem so, but without genetic samples from everyone in your
family tree, I would have little to no chance of identifying the specific
characteristic that causes the anatomical response.

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01:16:29:28 BECKETT (CONT'D): It'd be difficult.

01:16:33:17 TEYLA (O/S): Any chance you would have time to fly me over to the mainland?

01:16:36:01 BECKETT: If you're willing to take your life into your own hands.

01:16:40:13 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): I'd love a break.

01:16:59:00 CHARIN: You've changed, Teyla.

01:17:00:23 TEYLA: My hair is shorter.

01:17:03:17 CHARIN (O/S): It's more...

01:17:04:07 CHARIN (CONT'D): than your hair, dear. I can still see the little girl who used to
paint me beautiful pictures...

01:17:11:00 CHARIN (CONT'D O/S): while she sang the songs of the Ancients.

01:17:14:06 TEYLA: I have not been that girl in a long time, Charin.

01:17:16:23 CHARIN: No, but even Teyla, leader of the Athosians, always found the time to
come and visit with poor, old Charin.

01:17:24:00 TEYLA: I have missed your tuttleroot soup.

01:17:26:20 CHARIN (O/S): But I suspect it's more than my soup...

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01:17:28:16 CHARIN (CONT'D): that has brought you here. You've come to pluck me from my tent and take me to yet another world.

01:17:35:25 TEYLA (O/S): Not yet...

01:17:37:26 TEYLA (CONT'D): but it seems we may have to evacuate again soon, at least temporarily.

01:17:43:00 CHARIN: Did you allow yourself to expect differently?

01:17:47:13 TEYLA: I still believe that we can one day be free of the Wraith.

01:17:52:14 CHARIN: You can save such stories for those whose bones aren't failing them.

01:18:01:05 TEYLA: Charin, do you know why I can sense the Wraith coming?

01:18:05:03 CHARIN: You were born to it. There have been a few in every generation.

01:18:09:15 TEYLA: I know, but has no one ever wondered how that is possible?

01:18:14:05 CHARIN: Some believe it was a gift from the Ancestors.

01:18:19:02 TEYLA: And you?

01:18:22:23 CHARIN: Your father asked me not to tell you.

01:18:27:09 TEYLA: My father is not here anymore.

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01:18:33:20 CHARIN: No other living Athosian knows of this, for good reason.

01:18:41:17 TEYLA: Please. Tell me anyway.

01:18:47:16 CHARIN: My grandfather used to tell a story-- no one has ever heard the like,
before or since-- about the few who once returned.

01:19:00:14 TEYLA: Returned?

01:19:04:17 CHARIN: There was a planet... as was expected, every so often, the Wraith
came...

01:19:12:02 CHARIN (CONT'D O/S): villagers were taken, but there, on this particular planet,
on several occasions...

01:19:20:19 CHARIN (CONT'D): the taken came back.

01:19:27:24 : TEYLA (V/O): Some believed that the ancestors had returned their loved ones to
them...

01:19:32:19 TEYLA (CONT'D): that they had been blessed with a gift that made them
unwanted by the Wraith. Others even told tales of how the taken had
somehow vanquished the Wraith, but soon, the taken began to be
feared.

01:19:45:24 WEIR: Why?

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01:19:46:24 TEYLA: They spoke of hearing voices. Many began to behave strangely. Some became violent, even murderous.

01:19:56:19 WEIR: Well, it doesn't sound like the Ancients were responsible for that.

01:19:59:20 TEYLA (O/S): No.

01:20:00:22 TEYLA (CONT'D): The villagers turned on the taken. It was a massacre. All but a few were killed. The rest were ostracized...

01:20:07:12 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): sent away. After that, no others that were taken from that village ever returned again...

01:20:13:11 TEYLA (CONT'D): but those few who survived, they are the ones who Charin believes passed on the gift.

01:20:21:11 SHEPPARD: And one of the taken that survived was...

01:20:23:10 TEYLA: My lineage.

01:20:25:24 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I have the address to the planet...

01:20:27:15 TEYLA (CONT'D): where this happened. Charin says the village is long gone. All that is left are ruins, but still, I wish to go there.

01:20:36:10 WEIR: Now?

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01:20:37:05 TEYLA: I believe this must be coming to light now for a reason. Maybe we can
find evidence of what really happened.

01:20:43:26 WEIR: Look, Teyla, there are a lot of things that we need to get done.

01:20:47:24 TEYLA (O/S): Maybe there is a way

01:20:48:24 TEYLA (CONT'D): to fight the Wraith that we have yet to discover.

01:20:51:01 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): Perhaps my ancestors

01:20:54:11 TEYLA (CONT'D): were simply not enlightened enough to recognize their gift for
what it was.

01:21:01:27 SHEPPARD: Doesn't hurt to take a look around.

01:21:09:10 (THUNDER)

01:21:14:20 FORD: Sir, there's nothing here.

01:21:16:00 SHEPPARD: I know.

01:21:17:04 FORD: Well, it's dark. Shouldn't we be getting back?

01:21:19:17 SHEPPARD: Just give her a minute.

01:21:22:14 FORD: Sir...

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01:21:23:19 SHEPPARD: Ford, I need her to put this behind her, get some sleep. We all do,
so whatever it takes.

01:21:32:10 SHEPPARD (CONT'D): Rodney?

01:21:34:07 MCKAY: I've got something here.

01:21:35:23 FORD: Really?

01:21:36:28 MCKAY (O/S): I don't know. I've got a little...

01:21:42:05 FORD (O/S): You've got a little what?

01:21:44:03 FORD (CONT'D): Hey, McKay, you've got a little what?

01:21:48:18 FORD (CONT'D): What?

01:21:52:18 FORD (CONT'D): Oh, it's okay when you guys make fun of me.

01:21:54:01 SHEPPARD: Rodney?

01:21:55:14 MCKAY: Picking up a faint energy signal. It's getting stronger. Coming from here.

01:22:03:01 FORD: There's nothing here.

01:22:04:13 MCKAY: Well, the magic Ancient device hasn't lied yet.

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01:22:08:01 SHEPPARD: It's solid.

01:22:09:19 MCKAY: Well, there's definitely something weird here.

01:22:11:20 SHEPPARD: Weird how?

01:22:13:11 FORD: How about that?

01:22:15:09 SHEPPARD: Teyla! Teyla!

01:22:17:25 MCKAY: Maybe if you got a good running start. You know, really slam into it.

01:22:29:03 SHEPPARD: How'd you do that?

01:22:30:08 TEYLA: I do not know. I was just looking for a way out.

01:22:45:10 FORD (O/S): Looks like the inside of a Wraith ship.

01:22:46:18 MCKAY: What the hell were they doing here?

END OF ACT TWO

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01:23:19:04 WEIR: Rodney.

01:23:20:11 MCKAY: Elizabeth.

01:23:22:10 WEIR: Sheppard said you think you found a Wraith laboratory.

01:23:24:18 MCKAY: Certainly looks that way. Some sort of hidden secret facility. It's
obviously been abandoned for a very long time. I was able to pull this
data recorder from one of the computer consoles.

01:23:36:00 WEIR: You think the Wraith were experimenting on the people of that planet?

01:23:38:24 MCKAY: I have no idea. Hoping this thing will tell us.

01:23:41:07 WEIR (O/S): Why their need for secrecy?

01:23:42:10 WEIR (CONT'D): The Wraith can take people at will and do whatever they want
with them.

01:23:48:02 MCKAY: Here we go.

01:23:52:06 MCKAY (CONT'D): There.

01:23:53:26 MCKAY (CONT'D O/S): Now, that, uh...

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01:23:56:16 MCKAY (CONT'D): That means absolutely nothing to me. The last time I saw the contents of one of these, it showed a galactic positioning system for ships. It was more, um... pictures than symbols.

01:24:04:23 WEIR: I wonder...

01:24:07:28 MCKAY: Just so you know, you didn't actually finish that sentence out loud.

01:24:12:08 WEIR: Well, this is obviously a language.

01:24:13:29 MCKAY: Wraith language?

01:24:15:28 WEIR: That would make sense.

01:24:17:19 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): I'd love to have a good look through this.

01:24:19:23 MCKAY: Knock yourself out. I have to get back to the control chair anyway.

01:24:27:25 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Why do you think you could access the doorway when no one else could?

01:24:32:03 TEYLA: I don't know.

01:24:33:07 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Is it because only a Wraith can enter a secret Wraith facility?

01:24:35:27 TEYLA: I'm not a Wraith.

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01:24:37:15 DR. HEIGHTMEYER Tell me... what does it feel like to be a Wraith?

01:24:41:13 TEYLA: I feel hunger.

01:24:55:00 BECKETT: Don't you remember what happened last time I sat in one of those?

01:24:57:10 MCKAY: There's nowhere near enough power in the thing to do anything.

01:25:00:13 BECKETT: Then why bother? Gentlemen, it's quite late.

01:25:02:19 ZELENKA: We are trying to determine exactly how much power is required to
operate the systems that are controlled by the chair.

01:25:07:18 MCKAY: And in order to do that, it needs to be on.

01:25:09:09 BECKETT: You have the gene now.

01:25:10:09 MCKAY: Yeah, but I can't be trying to analyze the feedback data while I'm
concentrating on keeping the damn thing activated.

01:25:14:16 BECKETT: Why don't you analyze it?

01:25:15:19 ZELENKA (O/S): Well, I could analyze it, but Rodney doesn't think that--

01:25:17:19 WEIR: Gentlemen, how's it coming?

01:25:19:00 MCKAY: Well, not good.

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01:25:20:11 WEIR: Well, I'm sorry. This won't help. Carson, I need you.

01:25:22:18 BECKETT: Oh, thank God.

01:25:23:16 MCKAY: Yeah, but we're using him.

01:25:24:26 BECKETT: What is it? Is someone hurt?

01:25:26:02 WEIR: You were right.

01:25:27:09 BECKETT: Lovely. About what?

01:25:28:09 WEIR: Your theory of the Wraith evolving after the Ancients arrived in the
Pegasus galaxy.

01:25:31:27 MCKAY: You've got to be kidding me.

01:25:33:08 ZELENKA: Pay up.

01:25:34:15 BECKETT: How do you know?

01:25:35:25 WEIR: The Wraith language is a derivative of Ancient.

01:25:38:04 MCKAY: Well, that doesn't categorically mean--

01:25:39:18 WEIR (O/S): Rodney, please.

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01:25:41:00 WEIR (CONT'D): That's not why I need to see you. I've been able to translate the first part of the log from the Wraith data device.

01:25:46:29 BECKETT: Really?

01:25:51:09 MCKAY: All right, we'll try Dr. Kusanagi again.

01:25:53:14 ZELENKA: Kusanagi again.

01:25:54:14 MCKAY: Now.

01:25:55:02 ZELENKA: Okay.

01:25:55:14 MCKAY: Thank you.

01:26:06:05 TEYLA: Good morning.

01:26:08:14 TEYLA (CONT'D): You look like I feel.

01:26:12:19 WEIR: Well, we've been up all night.

01:26:15:18 TEYLA: You wanted to see me?

01:26:18:07 BECKETT: You'd better sit down.

01:26:20:01 TEYLA: What is it?

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01:26:23:24 WEIR: Well, I translated the first part of the log you brought back, and... are you sure you don't want to have a seat?

01:26:33:22 WEIR (CONT'D): The Wraith were conducting experiments on your ancestors.

01:26:38:06 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): It was just one Wraith, actually...

01:26:40:16 WEIR (CONT'D): and he was doing it against the wishes of the other Wraith, which is why he was doing it in secret.

01:26:43:20 TEYLA: What was he doing?

01:26:46:22 BECKETT: I think he was trying to make their food source more compatible with their species.

01:26:52:09 TEYLA: I do not understand.

01:26:55:00 BECKETT (O/S): It was very easy to miss.

01:26:56:07 BECKETT (CONT'D): In fact, I couldn't even make the kind of comparison necessary to isolate the specific strand. We needed Wraith cells, which we eventually...

01:27:02:14 BECKETT (CONT'D): got, but then we needed a full mapping of the genetic code contained within those cells, which wasn't even 50% complete--

01:27:07:28 TEYLA: Please.

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01:27:10:10 TEYLA (CONT'D): Tell me.

01:27:11:20 BECKETT: You have some Wraith DNA...

01:27:14:24 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): in your genetic makeup.

01:27:21:10 SHEPPARD: You're saying Teyla is part Wraith?

01:27:23:14 BECKETT: A very small part.

01:27:24:14 WEIR: Which makes her about as different from us as you, because of the
Ancient gene you possess.

01:27:28:19 MCKAY: Well, and some other things.

01:27:29:27 FORD: Still, Bates is going to go nuts over this.

01:27:32:01 SHEPPARD: Let's just keep this one under our hat.

01:27:33:19 WEIR: Well, obviously Teyla is very concerned about how everyone will react.

01:27:36:25 MCKAY: What, so you think this Wraith scientist was trying to make humans what,
more tasty?

01:27:40:14 WEIR: The log seems to indicate that he was looking for a way to make the
feeding process more efficient.

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01:27:45:25 MCKAY (O/S): I thought you already said they had...

01:27:47:16 MCKAY (CONT'D): a number of genetic characteristics similar to humans.

01:27:49:23 BECKETT: They do, but they're still much closer to the bug creature that attacked Major Sheppard than to us.

01:27:54:05 SHEPPARD: Hey, I thought we weren't going to mention that anymore.

01:27:56:16 BECKETT: Sorry.

01:27:57:23 WEIR: Also interesting is the fact that the Wraith language appears to be a derivative of Ancient, which seems to suggest that the Wraith evolved after the Ancients arrived in Pegasus.

01:28:08:02 BECKETT: My theory is that the Ancients unwittingly allowed humans to evolve on a planet with... insect species on it.

01:28:14:05 BECKETT (CONT'D O/S): At some point, the insects fed on humans...

01:28:17:22 BECKETT (CONT'D): and somehow incorporated our DNA into theirs. The Wraith are an evolution of that combination.

01:28:23:01 FORD: So what you're saying is the Ancients actually created the Wraith?

01:28:26:26 BECKETT: By accident.

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01:28:27:22 MCKAY: Or negligence.

01:28:29:08 WEIR: Well, either way, it doesn't matter.

01:28:30:25 BECKETT: Ultimately, the more we know about Wraith physiology, the closer we get to a biological weapon that can attack the Wraith and leave humans unharmed.

01:28:37:12 MCKAY: Yes, but for the moment, all we know is that the Ancients might have accidentally created the Wraith, and why Teyla can sense them coming. I mean, fabulous, mystery solved, but neither of which that help, in any way, stop them from coming.

01:28:49:27 WEIR: Rodney's right. Let's get back to work.

01:28:53:15 MCKAY: Thank you.

01:28:59:01 TEYLA: I know that it is not my fault. There's nothing I can do about it. The fact is, I'm really no different now than I was yesterday or last week.

01:29:06:15 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: But you feel different.

01:29:08:02 TEYLA: Yes. I think the thing that I am most worried about is how people will perceive me.

01:29:18:25 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): My father told people that it was a gift, I was special, but in a good way.

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01:29:23:27 TEYLA (CONT'D): I could help my people by warning them of the Wraith's approach. He did it to protect me, but in many ways, I think that it is why they first turned to me as a leader.

01:29:34:07 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: As you just said, you're no different than you were yesterday.

01:29:37:05 TEYLA: Yes, but now they have reason to fear me.

01:29:45:09 MCKAY (O/S): All right, even with Major Sheppard in the chair, we weren't able to, uh...

01:29:49:28 MCKAY (CONT'D): What? What is that?

01:29:54:29 WEIR: Something you said made me wonder...

01:29:58:05 MCKAY: I thought we decided there were more important things--

01:30:00:18 WEIR: Why did the Wraith scientist stop the experiments?

01:30:02:24 MCKAY: What would I have said that would make you think that?

01:30:04:24 WEIR: I don't remember.

01:30:06:15 MCKAY: Well, it's just... It's a good point. I'm just wondering what I said that...
 Sorry. What have you got?

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01:30:10:22 WEIR: Well, at first I thought it was because the other Wraith caught him.

01:30:13:08 SHEPPARD: They didn't?

01:30:14:10 WEIR: No, according to this, he stopped on his own.

01:30:15:29 MCKAY: See, now you've got me wondering why the rest of the Wraith didn't want these experiments taking place in the first place.

01:30:19:14 WEIR: Exactly.

01:30:20:12 MCKAY: Especially since they were supposed to be intended to improve things for everyone.

01:30:24:02 WEIR: Yeah. That's what I'm saying.

01:30:25:08 MCKAY: I just said it.

01:30:25:25 SHEPPARD: Will you stop?

01:30:27:07 WEIR (O/S): Okay, here's the most interesting part-- The Wraith communicate...

01:30:30:08 WEIR (CONT'D): with each other using some sort of telepathic network.

01:30:32:24 SHEPPARD: I noticed that.

01:30:33:23 WEIR: Thankfully, they can't seem to read the minds of humans, though.

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01:30:39:16 SHEPPARD: That's good, but what does this have to do with the Wraith stopping the experiments?

01:30:42:23 WEIR: Because, by combining even small amounts of Wraith DNA with humans, the scientist was giving the humans...

01:30:48:28 WEIR (CONT'D O/S): Wraith mental abilities. The subjects of his experiments were able...

01:30:52:00 WEIR (CONT'D): to hear the Wraith communications.

01:30:54:18 SHEPPARD: In the stories that Teyla told, the voices that the people heard were...

01:30:57:17 WEIR: Were Wraith. Exactly. It must have driven them mad. The Wraith scientist couldn't find a way around it, so eventually he gave up.

01:31:06:11 MCKAY: I don't understand. I mean, why let them back in the general population, then?

01:31:09:09 WEIR: Well, it seems he thought that interbreeding with normal humans might dilute the effect.

01:31:14:21 MCKAY: Before he realized he was wrong, it was too late.

01:31:17:02 WEIR: When the other Wraith did find out what he had done, they wiped out all the people on the planet...

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01:31:24:07 WEIR (CONT'D): but not before several of the test subjects had already been ostracized and forced to leave.

01:31:28:27 MCKAY: Okay, so how does this help us?

01:31:30:17 WEIR: Teyla may have more than just the ability to sense the Wraith coming.

01:31:33:26 MCKAY (O/S): What? You're saying you think Teyla might be able to...

01:31:37:16 MCKAY (CONT'D): tap into this Wraith psychic network?

01:31:40:16 SHEPPARD: If she can, we'll be able to gather all the intel we ever needed about them.

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ACT FOUR

01:32:08:00 TEYLA: I have never been able to hear the thoughts of the Wraith before.

01:32:11:16 WEIR (O/S): According to the notes...

01:32:12:24 WEIR (CONT'D): all the test subjects who were given the Wraith DNA, they had
 the ability.

01:32:15:17 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: It's possible it's because you've never actually tried before.

01:32:18:23 WEIR: You didn't know you could read Wraith minds, and quite frankly, who would
 want to?

01:32:26:11 WEIR (CONT'D): Look, Teyla, I would not even consider asking you to do this if I
 didn't think it could potentially provide us with some vital information.

01:32:32:12 TEYLA: I just do not know what to do.

01:32:35:27 WEIR: Well, Dr. Heightmeyer has a theory.

01:32:37:26 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: I think it's possible that, over time, through several
 generations...

01:32:41:22 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): people with your ability have developed a
 mental barrier to the thought projections of the Wraith.

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01:32:45:27 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Sort of a self-defense mechanism. If we can get
past that--

01:32:50:06 TEYLA: How?

01:32:51:04 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: We have a treatment process called hypnosis.

01:32:53:19 WEIR (O/S): Dr. Heightmeyer can lead you through it...

01:32:55:27 WEIR (CONT'D): and Dr. Beckett will remain on hand at all times to monitor...

01:32:58:26 WEIR (CONT'D): your physiology.

01:33:00:12 TEYLA: The Wraith are still very far away, are they not?

01:33:03:08 WEIR: Yes, they are, and McKay, he does have some doubts about the range of
this telepathy.

01:33:07:17 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: But as you've said, you can sense the Wraith now.

01:33:09:29 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): If that's merely a bleed-through effect into
your consciousness...

01:33:13:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): of a greater latent ability, then it may be worth
trying to break the barrier.

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01:33:17:08 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): To be perfectly honest, it's not something I would ever recommend doing under any other circumstances.

01:33:22:16 WEIR: But these are far from normal circumstances that we're in, Teyla.

01:33:28:01 TEYLA: If I can somehow provide us with something-- their strategy, a weakness-- I see no other choice.

01:33:44:00 BECKETT: Okay, I think we're ready.

01:33:45:23 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Are you? Okay, I want you to breathe...

01:33:50:21 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): nice and deeply, and try to relax.

01:33:54:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Dr. Beckett's going to administer a mild sedative.

01:33:56:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): Now, if this works, we should still be able to communicate with each other. Remember, we can wake you at any time, using a very low-grade electrical current.

01:34:04:27 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): It won't hurt at all. Just say, "Out," and we'll end it.

01:34:09:26 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Now, focus on this light as I speak.

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01:34:13:01 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): You told me that the feeling that you get from the Wraith is a cold, dark feeling deep inside you. I want you to think about that. Look for it in your mind.

01:34:24:22 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Now, close your eyes and listen to it.

01:34:27:10 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): Don't resist. Go to that place where it lives.

01:34:40:11 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): What do you hear?

01:34:45:00 TEYLA: Nothing.

01:34:48:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: You told me that your father was taken by the Wraith. Do you remember sensing it that day?

01:34:53:12 TEYLA: Yes.

01:34:55:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (O/S): Think back to that feeling.

01:34:58:13 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Now listen. What do you hear?

01:35:05:00 TEYLA: Noise. Voices, so many voices...

01:35:08:17 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): whispering.

01:35:09:29 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (O/S): Listen closely.

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01:35:11:05 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Listen for one.

01:35:16:29 TEYLA: I can see.

01:35:18:00 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Tell us what you see, Teyla.

01:35:19:22 TEYLA: I am on a ship.

01:35:23:04 TEYLA (CONT'D): I am walking.

01:35:24:11 SHEPPARD: She can actually see what's happening?

01:35:26:08 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: If the Wraith can project their thoughts, then that may
include what they're seeing.

01:35:29:23 TEYLA (O/S): There are other Wraith.

01:35:30:24 TEYLA (CONT'D): And they do not notice me.

01:35:33:18 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I am in a room full of people being preserved so that they
can be fed upon.

01:35:43:27 TEYLA (CONT'D): I am feeding.

01:35:47:12 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I am killing him.

01:35:49:14 WEIR: Stop. Beckett, stop.

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01:35:52:22 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: It's okay.

01:35:53:19 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): It's okay. You're here, in Atlantis.

01:35:56:27 WEIR: Teyla, I... I had no right to ask you to do this.

01:36:04:11 TEYLA: Get these things off of me.

01:36:05:20 BECKETT: All right, settle down, Teyla. I have to take this off.

01:36:08:12 WEIR: I can't put her through this, John. I know it was my idea, but it's too much to
ask.

01:36:11:20 SHEPPARD: You might feel differently once the hive ships show up.

01:36:13:25 TEYLA: Dr. Weir. Why did you make them stop?

01:36:16:27 WEIR: Excuse me?

01:36:18:07 TEYLA: I was on one of the hive ships that is headed here.

01:36:20:16 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I could hear them. I could see.

01:36:23:14 TEYLA (CONT'D): It was working.

01:36:24:19 WEIR: You were watching them feed.

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01:36:26:05 TEYLA: Yes. I actually felt one of them feed, but I can handle it.

01:36:31:11 TEYLA (CONT'D O/S): I can help us, I know it.

01:36:33:06 WEIR: Teyla, I never should've--

01:36:34:07 TEYLA: I am going to try again.

01:36:47:17 TEYLA: I am walking through the ship.

01:36:54:20 TEYLA (CONT'D V/O): I am in some sort of control room.

01:37:14:11 TEYLA (CONT'D): You are all so pathetic.

01:37:19:13 SHEPPARD: Something tells me that's not Teyla talking.

01:37:22:09 TEYLA: Nothing can stop us.

01:37:24:28 WEIR: Wake her up.

01:37:28:18 TEYLA: You are all going to die.

01:37:30:21 WEIR: Now!

01:37:42:08 TEYLA: What happened?

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01:37:47:23 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Dr. Beckett has her sedated, and she's resting comfortably. She seems fine, but I would like some time to let what she's been through sink in. She may still be in shock. I have no idea what the long-term psychological effect will be.

01:37:59:28 SHEPPARD: She said she could see some type of control room-- maybe a map, an attack plan. She just needs to get a better look.

01:38:05:20 WEIR: John, you were there. A Wraith had control of her.

01:38:09:20 (ALARM SOUNDING)

01:38:14:00 TECHNICIAN: Incoming wormhole.

01:38:22:11 TECHNICIAN (CONT'D): We're getting Sergeant Bates' I.D.C. It's the Alpha site.

01:38:25:07 BATES (V/O OVER RADIO): This is Sergeant Bates. Code red. We're under attack and coming in hot!

01:38:28:21 WEIR: Lower the shield.

01:38:38:29 BATES: Move it, move it!

01:38:43:14 BATES (CONT'D): That's it, we're clear.

01:38:44:14 SHEPPARD: Raise the shield!

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01:38:48:10 WEIR: Is everybody okay?

01:38:51:10 BATES: All off-world personnel accounted for.

01:38:54:08 SHEPPARD: I guess that planet isn't safe anymore.

01:38:56:11 BATES: They showed up by ship, and dropped some sort of device by the gate as
we were leaving.

01:39:00:02 SHEPPARD: I've seen it before. They're tagging the planet.

01:39:01:27 BATES: If we're going to evacuate Atlantis, we're going to need a new place to go.

01:39:04:10 WEIR: That planet was supposed to be uninhabited. What did the Wraith want
with it?

01:39:07:16 BATES: I don't know. It's almost like they knew we were there.

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ACT FIVE

- 01:39:31:24 TEYLA: I was close. I was so close. I really think if I had another chance...
- 01:39:36:26 FORD: Hey, you don't have to prove anything to anyone around here.
- 01:39:39:03 TEYLA: I think this could make a difference. I saw a hologram. I think it was a
 map, maybe even a battle plan.
- 01:39:45:14 FORD: We know their battle plan. They're coming to wipe us out.
- 01:39:47:26 TEYLA: I'm not so sure that is true. They want something from us.
- 01:39:51:09 FORD: Yeah. Yeah, they want to eat us.
- 01:39:53:16 TEYLA: No, something more. They are desperate.
- 01:39:56:25 FORD: Really?
- 01:39:57:29 TEYLA (O/S): Yes, it is surprising.
- 01:39:59:26 TEYLA (CONT'D): They are confident in their dominance over us, but mainly
 because there are so many of them-- too many to sustain for long. They
 have all awakened early, and there is not enough food to go around. It
 was just a feeling.
- 01:40:14:06 TEYLA (CONT'D o/s): The voices were so hard to separate.

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01:40:17:16 FORD: You don't remember one of them speaking through you?

01:40:19:17 TEYLA: No, but I remember the feeling just before it happened. Next time--

01:40:25:06 FORD: I don't think Dr. Weir will let there be a next time.

01:40:34:06 BATES: If what you're saying is true, then chances are it was Teyla who gave
away the location of our Alpha site...

01:40:38:06 BATES (CONT'D O/S): to the Wraith.

01:40:39:07 SHEPPARD: I don't think there was time.

01:40:40:11 BATES: You don't know that they didn't have a ship in the general area.

01:40:42:14 WEIR (O/S): Look, I admit, in retrospect...

01:40:43:28 WEIR (CONT'D): asking Teyla to connect with the Wraith, it may have been a
mistake.

01:40:46:27 BATES: With all due respect, I don't think there's much doubt about that.

01:40:49:15 SHEPPARD: Take it easy, Sergeant. It's not like she willfully gave away our
position.

01:40:54:16 FORD: She wants to try again. Look, she says she was getting close to something
big, something she's convinced we need to know.

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01:41:00:25 WEIR: No. I'm sorry. The problem is, I'm not sure Teyla's thinking about what's best for herself.

01:41:05:05 BATES: Or that she could compromise us further.

01:41:07:08 SHEPPARD: At this point, we have more to gain from the Wraith than they do from us.

01:41:10:20 FORD (O/S): She wants to do it.

01:41:12:00 FORD (CONT'D): Fact is, there may not be anything we can do to stop her from trying, so isn't it better if we're all there?

01:41:23:25 DR. HEIGHTMEYER: Okay. Close your eyes and relax...

01:41:27:10 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D O/S): and listen for the voices.

01:41:49:02 DR. HEIGHTMEYER (CONT'D): Teyla?

01:41:52:07 WEIR: Break the connection.

01:41:53:13 BECKETT: It's not working.

01:41:54:22 TEYLA: No!

01:41:55:20 BECKETT: Teyla!

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01:42:36:27 WEIR (V/O): I can only hope we haven't caused her psychological damage.

01:42:39:20 SHEPPARD: Teyla's one of the strongest people I know. The fact that she's been able to hold it together until now after what she's been through in her life...

01:42:45:25 BECKETT: Oh, there you are. Major, Dr. Weir.

01:42:48:22 WEIR: Carson, how are you feeling?

01:42:50:25 BECKETT: Doozy of a headache, but I'll be fine. Teyla's awake. She wants to see both of you.

01:42:59:19 (FOOTSTEPS APPROACHING)

01:43:02:04 BECKETT (O/S): Teyla, are you thirsty?

01:43:04:03 BECKETT (CONT'D): Can I get you some water?

01:43:05:03 TEYLA: No. I am so sorry. I really thought I could prevent--

01:43:09:12 SHEPPARD: It's all right. Everyone's fine.

01:43:11:02 WEIR (O/S): We are concerned...

01:43:13:03 WEIR (CONT'D): that the Wraith can connect to you at will, though.

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01:43:15:02 TEYLA: It has never happened before. No, I am sure I have to connect with them
first.

01:43:22:01 TEYLA (CONT'D): I saw their plans, the route their ships are taking to get here.

01:43:27:08 WEIR: That's good.

01:43:28:16 TEYLA (O/S): There's more.

01:43:29:21 TEYLA (CONT'D): They do not just want Atlantis. They know about you.

01:43:34:07 WEIR: What do you mean?

01:43:35:28 SHEPPARD: Sumner. The female Wraith wasn't just feeding on him. She was
interrogating him.

01:43:41:11 TEYLA: That is why they're all waking up. That is why they are coming here. They
know that Atlantis is the only way to get to a new, rich feeding ground.

01:43:53:10 SHEPPARD: Earth.

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