CONFUCIUS & THE QUEST FOR THE LOCHNESS MONSTER

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EXT. LAKE NESS - NIGHT

KONG QIU (24), A young Chinese man with a small beard protruding from his chin, sits on a small creaky dingy.

A Smokey mist surrounds Kong's boat. Water hits the boat, gently making it sway, Kong seems unaffected by it, his legs are crossed and his eyes are closed.

KONG QIU

My name is Kong Qiu, in five hundred years Matteo Ricci will Latinise my name, the world will rename me Confucius.

A ripple on the waters surface catches Kong's attention and he opens his eyes. After a moment of silent waiting he shut his eyes once again.

KONG QIU

I have a respectable future ahead, but I know nothing of it. I am only twenty four, mourning my mother's death. I forever will be. (beat) I move slow through this lake, not disturbing a soul in its depths. But it does not matter how slow you go, so long as you do not stop.

Something hits the boat and causes it to shake. Kong grabs the sides of the dingy until the boat settles.

KONG QIU Everything has beauty but not everyone sees it. That of below challenges my courage, and I shall return the favor.

Kong grabs an ore and begins to swing ferociously at the water.

A diamond shaped fin hits water surface and a splash of water hits Kong and his boat.

Kong falls back in his boat.

KONG QIU Many people will perceive me as a basket of philosophical one liners. Which, by the way, only partially explains my abilities.

The water around the boat begins to bubble. Kong gets to his feet, with the ore still in his hand, and readies himself in a combat stance.

KONG QIU

I will soon say, before embarking on a journey of revenge, dig two graves. Well I've filled my mother's grave, the other though, remains empty.

A huge wave throws the boat and Kong into the air. Kong gets thrown from the boat. The boat disintegrates when it hits the water and all that is left is splinters of timber. Kong hits the water with a painful sounding splash and sinks down into the water, unconscious.

NESSIE, a giant, four finned, long necked monster swims up to Kong. Nessie's head, being as big as Kong, prods Kong. The limp body sways to one side.

Nessie swims forward collecting Kong on her nose. She swims up, pushing Kong's body until he breaks the surface.

Kong lays, face up in the water.

The sunrises and the mist dissipate, leaving Kong's unconscious body to float among pieces of his boat.

KONG QIU Officially, the first sighting of the Lochness Monster will be in 565 AD, not 527 BC. As the first ever sighting of the Abominable Snowman will be 1832 AD, and not 526 BC.

Kong opens his eyes.

KONG QIU I am Confucius; Hunter, Teacher. All things that future leaders aspire for.

Kong closes his eyes and continues to lay still on Lake Ness as the current slowly takes him away.

THE END