

# Space Mars Mission

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INT. SPACEPORT - DAY

People are walking around, sitting down, getting coffee, in this modern spaceport. This spaceport has everything, comfortable sofas, a bar, a cafe area, it's spacious. Three men are sitting in a cafe area. JAIVON WINSTON stands up, he is tall, African-American, early 40s, not dark nor light skinned, slim build.

JAIVON

I need to call my wife, guys.

Jaivon walks away for a moment. KENNY MORROW watches Jaivon until he is out of sight. Kenny is white, slightly overweight, red hair, medium height, late 30s.

KENNY

Jaivon seems nervous. You think he's okay?

RYAN LEWIS laughs. Ryan, white, shaved head, short height, late 30s, confidently answers.

RYAN

Listen, we're all nervous! We're literally leaving this earth!

Jaivon returns, his cellphone in his hand. Before he can sit down, a loud alarm rings.

TANNOY

Will everyone enter the main room, please.

The group of friends and everyone else walks towards the main room. The main room is a big hall, full of seats facing a stage. A man walks onto the stage, he is TATE CRANE, tall, white, suit and tie, early 50s, he has a microphone in his hand. People start to fill the room, sitting on the seats.

TATE

Good Morning, everyone. My name is Tate Crane. If you're sitting here in this hall, it's because you have qualified for astronaut status. We will be sending a few of you on a mission from today. The rest of you will get the same opportunity at a later date.

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Tate Crane continues to talk, his words now inaudible.

INT. SPACE STATION - DAY

Jaivon, Kenny, and Ryan are making themselves comfortable. The Space Station has electrical wires everywhere, but safely in their places, there are seats and bunk beds. An unidentified man is also with them, he is ROBERTO SILVEIRA, he sits on a chair eating a candy bar.

JAIVON

(to Roberto)

So you took someone else's place?

ROBERTO

(to Jaivon)

Yeah. The guy failed one of his written tests or something.

JAIVON

(to Roberto)

Well, welcome aboard.

ROBERTO

(to Jaivon)

Thank you.

DISSOLVE TO:

Beautiful scenery of space, the space station is moving further away from earth.

INT. SPACE STATION - NIGHT

Jaivon is asleep on one of the beds, Ryan is reading a book, while Kenny and Roberto are having a conversation.

KENNY

(to Roberto)

This is amazing. We're going to check out Mars!

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ROBERTO  
(to Kenny)  
Something to tell my future grandkids.

KENNY  
(to Roberto)  
You married?

ROBERTO  
(to Kenny)  
Yes. We're newlyweds. You?

KENNY  
(to Roberto)  
Recently broke up with my girlfriend.

ROBERTO  
(To Kenny)  
I'm sorry, man.

A LOUD bleeping all of a sudden stops the conversation.  
Jaivon wakes up immediately.

JAIVON  
What's going on?

The bleeping stops.

RYAN  
We're almost there.

RYAN (CONT'D)  
Remember, we were told the bleeping  
means we're approaching.

JAIVON  
The red planet, man. This is what  
we've been waiting for.

Jaivon laughs, he leans back in his bed, clasps both his  
hands around the back of his head.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. MARS - ATMOSPHERE

The space station is approaching Mars. The lifeless rocky planet is still intriguing.

INT. SPACE STATION

The guys are getting their gear ready. The Space Station is right by Mars, the guys need only to literally take two steps to get on the planet.

EXT. MARS

The guys are finally on MARS. There is tension in the atmosphere, not only the harsh atmosphere of space, but the tension of this unfamiliar rocky, harsh planet. The guys have walkie-talkies that can latch onto their shoulders.

JAIVON

It's so cold.

KENNY

(to Jaivon)

But we're here! How many people would love to be in our position right now?!

JAIVON

(to Kenny)

(CONTINUED)

Well, Kenny, this is not how I expected things to be.

JAIVON (CONT'D)

(to Kenny)

I don't feel safe here right now, man.

A faint sound of light winds on this cold planet, this faint sound becomes louder and NEARER, dust swirls up around the astronauts. The winds get even LOUDER and STRONGER, the dust more aggressive as it swirls around heavier than before.

ROBERTO

Oh my God. What is happening?

RYAN

I can't see.

Pieces of rock start flying around. Jaivon gets HIT.

JAIVON

AAAHH.

KENNY

(to Jaivon)

JAIVON, YOU OKAY?

JAIVON

(to Kenny)

YEAH.

The astronauts are struggling to move, to walk, the winds are so strong, they can't do anything but to endure.

All of sudden the winds cease, like a tornado disappearing. The guys are catching their breath.

RYAN

We gotta get back to the station.

INT. SPACE STATION

ROBERTO

I think we should quit this mission.

JAIVON

(to Roberto)

Now let's think about this for a second.

ROBERTO

You guys think we're gonna get anywhere?! More of that is waiting for us.

JAIVON

(to Roberto)

We all did our research and training. We all knew that storms were a possibility.

RYAN

(to Jaivon)

I think Roberto may be right.

KENNY

Whoa, hold on a second. Let's not give up. Not yet.

CROSSFADE:

EXT. MARS

The astronauts are once again on Mars. They walk around with their research equipment. A faint rumbling sound begins.

JAIVON

Do you guys feel that?

The faint rumbling sound becomes slightly louder like mild thunder. The surface becomes shakily unstable. Even LOUDER RUMBLING. Roberto falls down.

RYAN

(to Roberto)

ROBERTO, YOU OKAY?

JAIVON

WE GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE.

The shaking and rumbling on this unpredictable planet is not stopping. Parts of rock are flying around. A piece of rock hits Kenny, he stumbles, but he's okay. The astronauts are struggling to make their way to the Space Station. Even though the Station is so close, it seems so far away. Bigger pieces of rock are flying around this dusty planet, strong loud winds are not subsiding. A large sharp piece of rock STRIKES Jaivon's side, Jaivon falls down.

JAIVON

AAAAAH.

BLOOD pours out of Jaivon's hip.

KENNY

JAIVON!

Kenny attempts to make his way to Jaivon.

A sharp triangle looking piece of rock comes flying fast towards Kenny. The rock STRIKES Kenny, it goes through the thin part of his suit, Kenny falls down, BLOOD seeps out of his suit.

JAIVON

KENNY!

Kenny is DEAD! Jaivon gets to him, he shakes Kenny.

JAIVON

Kenny, get up, man.

JAIVON (CONT'D)

Kenny.

Roberto grabs Jaivon.

ROBERTO

(to Jaivon)

He's gone, Jaivon. He's gone.

RYAN

WE GOTTA GET BACK TO THE STATION!

The astronauts are struggling walking to the station, the strong winds working against them. They manage to get back inside the space station. Jaivon bursts into tears. Sixty seconds go by with no one saying a word.

RYAN

We need to get on the radio and get out of here.

Ryan grabs the built in radio's walkie-talkie, as he presses some buttons the radio lights up.

RYAN

(Into the Radio)

Attention earth base, attention earth base.

Static noise coming from the radio.

RADIO

Come in, come in, over.

RYAN

(Into the Radio)

We need to get back to earth. We had a severe casualty. Kenny Morrow is dead. Repeat. Kenny Morrow is dead!



More static from the radio.

RADIO

Copy, copy. We will get you out of there ASAP.

INT. SPACE STATION

ROBERTO

It's been two hours, and they haven't contacted us.

JAIVON

(to Roberto)

They will. We just gotta...we just gotta sit tight.

A loud noise all of a sudden startles the astronauts. Rattling, scraping sounds hitting the outside of the space station.

JAIVON

What the hell is going on?!

RYAN

Debris and shit like that.

Loud banging now on the roof of the space station. A dent appears in the roof.

JAIVON

Shit!

Loud bleeping along with the chaos. The Space Station is out of control, bumpy, loud, clanging noises, Ryan falls hard, he smashes his head on a fixed to the wall metal desk. Ryan is DEAD!

JAIVON

OH MY GOD!

Shock and upset in Jaivon's eyes as he stares at Ryan's dead body.

JAIVON

We're dead.

Roberto gets on the radio.

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ROBERTO  
(Into the radio)

Emergency, Emergency, come in, over.

Crackling sounds from the radio.

ROBERTO  
(Into the Radio)

HELP! HELP! WE HAVE ANOTHER MAN DOWN.  
HELP US!

Human voices on the other end, inaudible underneath the crackling sounds on the radio.

ROBERTO  
(Into the Radio)

HELLO? HELLO?

The cracking stops. No sound at all anymore from the radio.

CROSSFADE:

INT. SPACE STATION

The space station has a hopeless vibe, the atmosphere is bleak, physical mess everywhere from the chaos, there's a strong quietness. Jaivon is lying on the floor, he could be sleeping, his mouth has sores, he is not moving, he is not breathing, Jaivon is DEAD!

Roberto is sitting on one of the chairs, he also has sores around his mouth, he looks pale, he stands up slowly, he slowly and shakily walks to the radio, he picks it up. He speaks into it, almost-defeat in his voice.

ROBERTO  
(Into the Radio)

Come in, come in, over.

Static sounds on the radio.

(CONTINUED)

ROBERTO  
(Into the Radio)

This is Roberto Silveria, men down,  
men down. I'm the only survivor.

ROBERTO (CONT'D)  
(Into the Radio)

Jaivon Winston, has starved to death.

ROBERTO (CONT'D)  
(Into the Radio)

Kenny and Ryan are dead...severe  
injuries.

ROBERTO (CONT'D)  
(Into the Radio)

Is anyone there? Please...help.

Nothing but static still on the radio. Roberto stands up, he falls to the floor. This starving man is at his last moment. He stops breathing. Roberto is dead.

CROSSFADE:

The Space Station is filled with silence. Ryan, Jaivon, and Roberto's lifeless dead bodies just lying there in the silence.

All of a sudden, there is a high pitched buzzing noise from the radio.

RADIO  
Come in, come in. We got your message.  
Hello?...Come in. Hello?...Is anyone  
there?

FADE TO BLACK.