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Season One
# The Resurrection

**Season 1**

**Episode Number: 1**

**Season Episode: 1**

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**Guest Stars:** Dabier (Will), Skye P. Marshall (Ms. Kara Fowdy), Will Datlett (Lala), Charli Deane (Syonide), Roland Martin (Himself), Nina Turner (Herself), Eric Mendenhall (Joey Toledo), Kyann Simone Simpson (Kiesha), Caleb Thomas (Malik), Jimmy Woods (Youngster 1), Donny Rogers Carrington III (Youngster 2), Amanda Davis (Joan Lincoln), Tommy Kane (Reporter), Crystal Lee Brown (Desk Sergeant), Leon Lamar (Store Owner), Fallyn Brown (Young Jennifer), Stanley McLaughlin III (Student 1), Shantay Reeves (Student 2), Joe Lewis (I) (Club Security), Hal Whiteside (Officer 1), Hector Banos (Officer 2), Scott Hunter (Officer 3), Mark Spates Smith (Father), Kwajalyn Brown (Wife)  
**Production Code:** T43.10001  
**Summary:** A former superhero with the power to control and harness lightning, Jefferson Pierce, otherwise known as Black Lightning, unrolls the secrets of his past to protect his city and his family.

At a police station in the city of Freeland, Jefferson Pierce and his daughter Anissa waits and watches a newscast about another of the 100 gang’s shootings. The father whose son is dead insists that the 100 controls the streets, not the police. Protestors took to the street but the 100 opened fire on them. Inspector Bill Henderson tells the press that the police won’t tolerate violence, and the newscaster notes that many residents have lost faith in Henderson, who came up through the ranks fighting the vigilante Black Lightning, who mysteriously disappeared nine years ago.

A police officer watching turns off the TV and says that she wishes the press would give the police credit. Jefferson’s other daughter Jennifer comes in and tells Jefferson that they’re ready. As they go, Jefferson complains that Anissa went to the protest and got arrested. She insists that it was a peaceful, but Jefferson warns that returning violence with violence just leads to darkness. The police pull them over and tell Jefferson to step out of the car. He complains that it’s the third time this month and one officer shoves him on the hood, and the other officer draws his gun.

Anissa takes footage but Jefferson tells her to put her hands on the dashboard like the officers say. They take him over to a car and ask the woman inside if Jefferson is the guy. She nods in the negative and the officer leads Jefferson and wishes him a good night. When Jefferson demands
answers, the officer says that her liquor store just got robbed. Jefferson insists that he’s no robber, but the officer ignores him. Jefferson’s eyes flare blue and the nearby lights flicker out for a moment. After a moment, Jefferson gets control of himself and the lights go steady.

Later, Jefferson, his two daughters, and his date Kara Fowdy attend a fundraiser. Senator Nina Martin says that Jefferson, a former Olympic Gold Winner, came back to his old neighborhood and now Garfield is an oasis of hope. Anissa teaches at the school as a health educator, and Jennifer is a standout scholar-athlete.

Jennifer is in the bathroom preparing for a party with her friend Kiesha. Anissa comes in and complains that Jennifer is blowing off the party, and Jennifer says that she and Kiesha are going to Khalil’s house party. She promises to be home before Jefferson gets home, and Anissa finally agrees but tells her to be home before their parents get home.

Jefferson takes the stage and his students all recite that they will live their lives by any means necessary.

Jennifer and Kiesha go to Club 100 instead and Jennifer spots a teenager, Will, watching from the balcony. Jennifer gets together with him and tells him that she’s not going to have sex with him.

Bill approaches Jefferson and tells him not to let all of the praise go to his head. Jefferson thanks him for pulling strings to get Anissa released, and Bill warns him that the police will get violent. He says that the guys who pulled Jefferson over aren’t his and he’ll check into it, and leaves to make a call. Kara comes over and tells Jefferson that he needs to talk to a woman about donations. Jefferson sees his estranged wife Lynn and goes over to her greet her. She’s heard that Anissa was arrested and warns that it’s not a good look, and warns him that Anissa is not a child anymore. Lynn says that Anissa is a lot like Jefferson, always fighting for change. Jefferson gazes at her, and Lynn tells him not to do it and reminds him that Kara is waiting for him. She says that he looks good in the suit and walks away.

After the fundraiser, Jefferson returns home and discovers that Jennifer isn’t home. He calls Anissa, who admits that she went to a party. Jefferson texts Jennifer and goes to find her.

Jennifer is half-jokingly arguing with Will, and two gangers come over and sit down. They tell Jennifer to stay and Lala agrees.

Jefferson is on the balcony and spots the gangers dragging Jennifer to the back room. A gang lord, Lala, is waiting and wonders why Will has been ducking him down. Will insists that he’s just trying to make the money he says he owes him. Jennifer tries to go and Lala tells her to stand there and be cute. He reminds Will that he had the best attorney in Freeland when he got arrested, and punches Will. Lala then tells Will that Jennifer should start working at the Seahorse Motel to pay off some of Will’s debt. Will hastily agrees, but Jennifer says that she’s nobody’s bitch and knees him in the groin.

Jefferson goes to the door and the guard stops him, going for his gun. Concentrating, Jefferson says that he tried to do it the right way... and the lights go out. as the club goers panic, Jennifer runs out and Lala and his men fire at her. Jefferson takes them out with a combination of punches and lightning bolts. The lights come up and Jennifer sees the bodies. She runs out, and Jefferson goes out into the street. The police pull up and order him to put his hands up. He does so and they order him on the ground. Jefferson doesn’t and they shoot tasers at him. He absorbs the electricity and fires it back through the wires, stunning the two guards. Jefferson then blows up their car and walks off.

Tailor Peter Gambi arrives at his shop and finds a wounded Jefferson unconscious on the floor.

Anissa tells Jennifer that she got lucky that she didn’t end up drugged up in a Motel room. Anissa reminds her sister that the 100 go there, and Jennifer insists that she’s not Jefferson and she’s not the Queen of Garfield. Her sister yanks her phone away and turns on the TV. Henderson is on the news saying that two policemen were attacked. The reporter says that Black Lightning was involved, and Henderson insists that it’s fake news.

Jefferson and Peter are watching the news, and Jefferson admits that it’s been nine years since he used his powers. Peter point out that Freeland needs Black Lightning, and asks if Jefferson remembers why he became Black Lightning. The tailor says that he wanted to give the people hope against evil, and now evil is running rampant. Jefferson insists that he became Black Lightning to take on Tobias Whale, and then every crook until he realized that there’s no bottom. He figures that he and Lynn might reconcile and he has a shot at putting his family back
Lynn finds a wounded Jefferson in the tub, and says that she can’t stay there with the girls watching him kill himself. Jefferson promises that he’ll retire. The next morning, Lynn is watching a commentator talking about black vigilantes. Jefferson comes home, and Lynn tells him that Jennifer was at Club 100 and she came over to calm her down. He claims that the board had him hemmed down, and Lynn tells him that she’s a teenager and now she knows what can happen. Jefferson agrees and Lynn tells him that she played bad parent. She insists that she’s not paying when it comes to keeping their daughters alive, and asks if Black Lightning is back. Jefferson tells her that she knows better and that he’s saved more lives as a principal than Black Lightning. Lynn says that she doesn’t want to see him wounded again, and admits that she cares about him. She unbuttons his shirt, and Jefferson tells her that she’s not going to find a costume underneath and he’s just a man who wants his woman back.

Anissa sees Jefferson bleeding, and Lynn says that he might as well be a crackhead. She tells him that she wants a divorce.

Inside, Jefferson checks his wound where Peter stitched up his wound. Tobias Whale drowns Will in his super-aquarium. His henchwoman Syonide calls him over to the TV, where Roland Martin is speculating that Black Lightning is back. Roland says that people are praying for the vigilante to come back to the city but so far there are only rumors.

The next morning, Jefferson jogs with his daughters and then goes to Garfield. He complains to Kara that the board wants to put metal detectors in the school, refusing to treat his students like criminals. Jefferson refuses to turn his school into another jail, and Kara agrees to relay the message to the board. When Jefferson checks his emails, he finds a message from Peter saying that Black Lightning did a lot of good. There’s also a video of a store owner talking about how Black Lightning saved him from two robbers. The store owner says that he wouldn’t have lived to see his grandchildren if it wasn’t for Black Lightning.

Will goes to Garfield to find Jennifer and ask if they’re cool. She says that he’s stalking her, and he grabs her. Anissa runs over and tells him to leave or she’s calling the police. When Will grabs her arm, she flips him just as Jefferson comes out. When Will goes for a gun, Jefferson stops him and asks if he’s going to shoot two women in front of witnesses. Will says that Jefferson doesn’t know who he’s messing with, and Jefferson admits that he doesn’t but says that the police don’t either and will shoot Will for fun. The teenager says that it’s not over and walks away.

Back in his office, Jefferson tells his daughters that they put the whole school in danger. He tells Anissa that she should have let school security handle it, and Anissa says that it’s about the community. Jefferson tells them that it’s about him keeping his daughters alive, and Anissa asks him when he abandoned his people. The bell rings and Anissa and Jennifer walk out.

In the cafeteria, Jefferson notices a student drops drugs from his backpack. Lala comes in and Jefferson greets him by his real name, Latavious. Lala, a former student, says that he heard what happened to Will. Jefferson says that he’s had an unofficial arrangement with the gangs to keep violence out of Garfield, and says that he needs Lala to keep Will away from his girls and Garfield. Lala says that Will has been lost since he got out of prison, and tells a young student Malik to shake Jefferson’s hand and introduce himself. The gang lord says that he heard that Malik isn’t giving school his best and grabs him by the arm as he tells him to focus on reality. Jefferson objects but Lala ignores him. When Jefferson grabs Lala, Lala draws a gun and aims it at him. He tells Jefferson to never to put his hands on him again, and says that he’ll teach them his way and Jefferson can teach them his way.

Lala takes Malik’s phone and has him sweep the floor, and then tells Jefferson that he’ll do him the favor but he owes him.

Jefferson says that they’re good and Lala walks away, smiling.

Later, Will and two of his gangers walk into the school. They bust into Anissa’s classroom, shove her aside, and Will draws a gun on Jennifer and drags her and Anissa away. When Jefferson receives word of the incident, he calls in Henderson and Lynn. Henderson wants to confirm that the girls were taken to Seahorse Motel. Jefferson wants to go in on his own, and Henderson complains that Jefferson didn’t tell him what was going on. He asks Jefferson to let him do his job, and Jefferson agrees. Once Henderson leaves, Jefferson tells Lynn that he’s going to get their girls. Realizing what he plans to do, Lynn tells him to bring them home.
Jefferson goes to Gambi’s and tells him that the 100 have his daughters. Gambi closes up and goes downstairs with Jefferson. He shows him a better costume that he’s been working on.

That night at the Seahorse, Black Lightning steps out on the top of the Seahorse wearing his new costume. He jumps down and attacks the gangers, letting the suit’s armor absorb any bullets.

Lala is in a room beating will for bringing the girls there. He’s furious that Will did it without permission and tells him to kill the girls and lose the bodies or Will will do the same.

Black Lightning walks down the balcony taking down anyone who comes after him. Will leads Anissa and Jennifer out, a gun to their head, and shoots Black Lightning in the chest. The armor stops the bullet, and Black Lightning blasts Will over the balcony and into the air as Jennifer and Anissa run off. Black Lightning demands to know where Lala is, and a sobbing Will says that he doesn’t know.

The vigilante sees Will’s car, says that it was nice, and slams him into it.

Later, the police arrive and arrest everyone there. Jennifer and Anissa tell them that Black Lightning was there, and Black Lightning secretly watches from the rooftop.

Lala is driving down the street when a SUV cuts him off. Syonide steps out and takes a blindfolded Lala to Tobias. Tobias shoots him in the shoulder with a spear gun and then reels him over. He says that he killed Black Lightning, and asks if Lala can take care of the problem.

Lynn greets her daughters when Henderson brings them home. Jefferson arrives and hugs his family. Later he goes in and takes a shower, and lets the blood from his wound drip down. Jefferson then looks in on his sleeping daughters, and goes to the kitchen where Lynn is pouring herself a drink. She thanks him for what he did, and he says that it’s not over yet.

Jennifer wakes up and goes to the bathroom. She remembers what Will and Lala did to her, and her hands glow red. Jennifer loses control and yanks the sink off of the wall.
Lawanda: The Book of Hope

Season 1
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Season Episode: 2

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Guest Stars: Dabir Snell (Will), Jordan Calloway (Khalil), Skye P. Marshall (Ms. Kara Fowdy), Will Catlett (Lala), Charibli Dean (Syonide), Tracey Bonner (Lawanda White), Clifton Powell (Reverend Holt), Shein Mompremier (Chenoa), Kyann Simone Simpson (Kiesha), Caleb Thomas (Malik), Anthony Reynolds (Deputy Chief Caymen), Jimmy Woods (Youngster 1), Donny Rogers Carrington (Youngster 2), Cedric Greenway (Father), Herman Baaqr (Doorman), Swift Rice (Elevator Operator), Linda Boston (Freeland Resident), Billy Bussey (Gunman)
Production Code: T43.10002
Summary: A glimmer of hope appears in the community that Black Lightning is back to combat the violence.

Jefferson lies on bed groaning as the news runs a story about Black Lightning being back. Electricity courses through his body, and Jefferson goes to the bathroom and takes some painkillers. Lynn hears him moaning and goes in, and assures him that she’s got him.

She realizes that he’s getting too old to be a superhero, and says that when they were young she thought he was cool when she saw his superpowers. Then it almost destroyed them, and she feels selfish for letting Black Lightning help their daughters. Jefferson says that he did it and that he’s done now that the girls are safe. He tells Lynn that he loves her and misses her, and they kiss.

After a moment Lynn says that she should go, and Jefferson tells her that it’s important for her to be there when their daughters wake up. He kisses Lynn on the cheek and goes to sleep on the couch.

Jefferson sits on the couch and watches a newscast about how they’re fighting for the streets against the 100s.

A few days later at a neighborhood gathering in the school gymnasium, Jefferson says that they’re fighting for the hopes and minds of their children. One man warns that pretty words won’t stop the 100. A woman, Lawanda White, stands up and says that the 100 are holding her daughter Shaquadalyn and the police won’t do anything because she’s not being held against her will. Jefferson says that she could reconnect because the Seahorse is shut down, and Lawanda says that it’s back in business. Henderson is there and tells Jefferson that it’s true, and Lawanda asks why Black Lightning rescued Jefferson’s girls and no one else’s. She says that unless all of them are free, none of them are free.
Tobias tells Lala and Syonide to raise the protection amount 50% on all of the neighborhood businesses. Lala figures that he hates black people, and Tobias tells him that he just hates lazy black people like Lala. Syonide shoves a muzzle into Lala's mouth, and Tobias tells him that they have to convince the people that the man pretending to be Black Lightning can't protect them.

After the meeting, Lawanda shows Jefferson a photo of her husband, Darnell. He died in the military, and after that their lives fell apart. Shaquadalyn got caught up in looking for her father in the wrong men, and Jefferson asks what he can do to help. Lawanda asks him to take Shaquadalyn out of the Seahorse, and says that Jefferson can do whatever he wants in Freedland. When Jefferson says that he can't, Lawanda figures that she has to way to fight for her girl and walks off.

Jefferson meets with Henderson, who says that there's nothing they can do about Lala. Henderson points out that Lala has said he has an alibi, and the girls will say that they weren't forced to do anything. Jefferson asks about Will, and Henderson says that he's disappeared. Henderson wonders how Jefferson knows Will was there, and Jefferson claims that his daughters told him. The inspector says that Will escaped the ambulance on the way to the hospital, and says that he has someone watching the house in case the 100 come for Jefferson's daughter. He figures that if they find Will then they'll get Lala, and Jefferson reluctantly agrees.

Khalil calls from school and asks Jennifer when she's coming back. Meanwhile, Malik comes up to the Jefferson house carrying a package and the police let him through. The boy asks Jennifer if she wants to buy candy, and then takes out a water pistol, squirts blood-colored water at Jennifer, says that Lala says hi, and runs off.

When he hears what happened, Jefferson finds Lala at a street party and tells him to stay away from his family. Lala says that things have changed and he's trying to be nice, and advises Jefferson to send his daughters on a long vacation. Two of Lala's men beat, Jefferson, and his eyes flare for a moment. He stands up and tells Lala not to make his patience for weakness. Jefferson walks back to his car and leaves.

Jefferson goes to Gambi's and tells the tailor what happened. He insists that he's trying to protect his family, and Gambi says that Jefferson should get back into his suit. They'll track down Will and get Lala arrested, and get closer to the source of all of it. Jefferson insists that once they take down Lala, he's done.

Anissa has sex with her lover Chenoa Choi, and afterward Anissa asks Chenoa if she's okay. Chenoa says that it's never a good time, and she needs more from Anissa because she feels like just a distraction. Anissa insists that she's busy, and Chenoa apologizes for pressuring her. She asks how Anissa is coping with it, and Anissa says that it feels weird. Anissa wants everything to go back to normal, and describes how she broke the sink in her bathroom the other night. Chenoa offers to get her a therapist, and dismisses it as an old sink that would have broken anyway.

Henderson shows up at Jefferson's door with his dog Monk. He came by to make sure that the Pierces are doing okay, and points out that Lynn is there. Jefferson figures that they're getting close to being back together, and Henderson assures him that they'll get Will and Lala. He warns that Lawanda is outside the Seahorse with a camera recording Johns and taking down license plates. Henderson warns that Lawanda is going to get herself killed, and there's nothing he can do about it.

Lala meets with two of his gang and they drag Will out of the trunk. The gang leader draws a gun and says that he'll straighten out what's going on, and shoots Will dead.

The next day, Jefferson goes to the Seahorse and tells Lawanda that she has to stop. When the reporters leave the 100 will kill her.

Lawanda asks if Jefferson will die for his daughters, and Jefferson has no answer. She grabs her camera and Jefferson asks for 48 hours to get Shaquadalyn back. She finally agrees to stop taking photos but says that she's going to stay in her car in case they take Shaquadalyn away. Jefferson promises that he won't let her down.

That night, Jennifer goes out on her porch and smokes. Khalil arrives and confirms that she saw Black Lightning. The teenager says that they've been friends for a long time, and he's been wanting to ask her to be his girl. If they had killed her then he never would have had the chance, so he's asking her. Jennifer agrees to be his girlfriend and he gives her a necklace.

Jefferson comes in and finds Lynn working on her laptop. She says that it feels good to be there and they kiss, but she says that she has to take things slow.
Lawanda sees Lala pull up to the Seahorse and takes his picture. Ignoring her promise to Jefferson, she confronts Lawanda and demands her daughter back. Lala’s men shoot her and carry her body to her car, unaware that her cellphone camera on the dashboard captured the entire thing.

Later, the police find Lawanda’s body in her car where the gangers dropped it. Henderson calls Jefferson and tells him what happened. He turns on the news and tells Lynn what happened, and says that Lawanda was his student but he did nothing for her.

Jefferson blames himself, saying that he could save so many, and he’s been living a lie hoping they could have a normal life. Lynn tells him that it’s the addiction talking, and Jefferson tells her that there’s no addiction. He reminds her that she said his powers were a blessing from God, and he insists that it’s still a gift and a blessing... and he intends to use it for the people that need him. Lynn says that their close to putting the pieces of their lives back together, and Jefferson says that it’s time that people know that Black Lightning is back.

The next day, Jefferson arrives at school and Kara greets him. She asks how he’s holding up, and hopes someone is keeping everything together for him. Kara says that she’s there for him, and Jefferson thanks her. Gambi calls and tells Jefferson that he found Will but he’s dead. He got Will’s cell phone, and Jefferson figures that Lala is desperate and will go after Jennifer and Anissa next.

At the school, Jennifer and Kiesha are drinking up in the stands. Jennifer then goes to the exercise room where Khalil is working out. She takes out the bottle of wine and starts drinking, and Khalil yanks it away and says that it’s not cool. He tells her that drinking isn’t the way to deal with what she went through, and describes how his brother was shot and killed, and his father is in jail. Khalil says that God gave him a gift to run fast, and he’s going to run and wants Jennifer to come with him. Jennifer says that she sees the world differently, and he tells her that it’s just growing up.

Lynn goes to Gambi’s and says that they know how it will end. She says that Jefferson was happy being himself, and tells Gambi to stop Jefferson before he gets addicted again. Gambi insists that Jefferson was never addicted to his powers, and it’s Jefferson’s choice what he does with his powers. Lynn nods and walks out.

Gambi calls Jefferson and says that Will had Lala’s address on his cell phone. Jefferson suits up as Black Jefferson and walks down the street to Lala’s address. The doorman tells him that he’s at the penthouse, and Black Lightning takes out the guards in the lobby. He fights his way up the stairs to the penthouse and beats Lala, and Henderson and the police arrive and order Black Lightning to surrender. Black Lightning tells Henderson that it’s been awhile and jumps over the balcony.

At the station, Henderson tells Lala that they have the video from Lawanda’s camera. He claims that Will flipped on him and says that Lala’s world is falling apart.

Jefferson returns home and Lynn tells him it’s over and the Seahorse has been shut down. She asks about Black Lightning, and Jefferson says that maybe they can find a way to live with it. Lynn walks out without a word.

Anissa and Chenoa go back to their place. After sex, Anissa is unable to sleep and goes to the drugstore to get some pills. A robber is hitting the place, and he orders Anissa down on the floor. She has a panic attack and when he grabs her, she throws him across the store. After a moment, Anissa smiles and walks out.

Jefferson sits in his study and drinks, and looks at photos of Lynn.

Tobias and Syonide go to the police station, and the deputy chief escorts them to Will’s cell. They go in and Tobias says that if Lala shot a mother then there’s nothing that he’s not capable of... including becoming a rat. Tobias chokes Lala to death and walks out.
Black Lightning Episode Guide

Lawanda: The Book of Burial

Season 1
Episode Number: 3
Season Episode: 3

Originally aired: Tuesday January 30, 2018
Writer: Jan Nash
Director: Mark Tonderai
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)
Guest Stars: Jill Scott (II) (Lady Eve), Jordan Calloway (Khalil), Charlii Dean (Syonide), Clifton Powell (Reverend Holt), Chantal Thuy (Grace Choi), Amanda Davis (Joan Lincoln), Eric Mendehall (Joey Toledo), Shein Mompremier (Chenoa), Donny Rogers Carrington (Youngster 2), Carolyn Jones Ellis (Marcher 2), Holly Firfer (Reporter), Brandon Rice (Marcher 1)
Production Code: T43.10003
Summary: Tobias is informed that the community plans to march in protest against The 100, and takes steps to stop them... violently. Meanwhile, Anissa discovers how her powers work, and Jennifer and her new boyfriend’s plans for sex are rudely interrupted.

Reverend Jeremiah Holt gives a eulogy about LaWanda, while the Pierces sit in the audience. Jennifer wonders where Anissa is.

Anissa sneaks into a junk yard and makes sure no one is watching. She then drags out an old washing machine, sets up her phone to take video of her, and starts kicking the washing machine.

Holt says that The 100 wants to keep them down, and he needs a hundred god-fearing people to march with him against The 100 and take back their community. The congregation stand up, applauding.

Anissa keeps kicking the machine until she’s exhausted. She realizes that it’s her breathing and she’s not focused.

After the service, Bill and Jeff talk to Holt, and Bill tells Holt that the police have to do a lot. Holt says that they wouldn’t have to pay The 100 for protection if the police weren’t in the gang’s pocket, and they can’t put their trust in Bill and his people. Bill points out that Holt is rich and he works on the streets, and walks off disgusted.

Anissa focuses and punches a pile of junk. A piece falls off and bounces off of her back, and Anissa kicks the washing machine across the yard.

Holt tells Jeff that he’s not going to call off his protest. Jeff says that he wants to save Holt from himself, and Holt tells him that they listened to Jeff because he was one of them. Now Jeff only cares about his family and students, and Jeff says that he fights the best way he knows how. Holt tells him that it’s time for the community take back their lives, even if they have to be willing to die. Jeff points out that LaWanda didn’t want to die, and Holt says that she persisted because Black Lightning gave her help. The vigilante made her believe that she could save her
daughter. Holt figures that God brought Black Lightning back, and it gives him hope that they
can save the community. Jeff asks if he's wrong about Black Lightning, and Holt says that the
hero is the answer to their prayers.

Jeff goes to Gambi's shop and Jeff says that he doesn't want to inspire people to get killed.
The tailor says that he's altered the suit's circuitry so Jeff can create a targeted strike with less
damage and reduced power drain. They test it against holograms and Jeff finally masters the
precision aim.

Tobias and Syonide go to the manor of Lady Eve and Tobias gives her his money to apologize
for Lala's stupidity. Lady Eve says that it doesn't solve his real problem: Black Lightning. Tobias
insists that he killed Tobias, and Lady Eve tells him Black Lightning inspires people and they
don't stay in line. She knows about Holt's march, and another pastor told her. Tobias thanks her
for passing on the information, and Lady Eve tells him to take care of it and Tobias indicates
that he will.

Khalil and Jennifer make plans to go to a hotel, and she claims that her parents know.
Jennifer wonders if Khalil is good, and he finally admits that he lied. Khalil admits that he's a
virgin, and Jennifer smiles and admits that she's a virgin as well and kisses him.

At the library, Anissa looks at the video she took of herself, and then hides it as a librarian,
Grace Choi, comes over. Grave assures Anissa that she's fine where she is, and Anissa says that
she's doing genetic research. They introduce each other and Anissa notices that Grace has a
comic book in her back pocket. Grace says that she's reading The Outsiders, and says that it's
all about super-powered individuals in costumes. She invites Anissa to the bar where she works
as a bouncer, for Cosplay Night, and Anissa says that she will.

At Garfield, Bill tells Jeff that he's only allowed to assign one squad car to the march and the
orders are coming from high up.

They figure that it's a setup and Bill asks Jeff to convince Holt not to march. Jeff admits that
Holt has been inspired by Black Lightning, and Bill figures the vigilante is going to get them all
killed.

Later, Gambi and Jeff map out the parade route and Jeff says that they should change the
route to minimize the chaos. He figures that Gambi can lead them off.

Jeff goes home and Lynn tells him that Anissa isn't coming for dinner. He admits that he
hasn't seen much of Anissa recently, and wonders if Lynn will still show up for dinner with him.
Lynn says that she wants to stop worrying about him, and Jennifer comes in for dinner. She
says that she's ready to have sex and walks out, and Lynn wonders what Jeff said to her.

Over dinner, Lynn says that they're glad Jennifer came to them. She asks how old they were
when they first had sex, and Jeff says that he and Lynn both loved each other very well. They
say that it's important that Lynn have sex with the right person, and Jennifer tells them when
she'll be back.

Later when Anissa comes home, Jennifer tells Anissa what happens. Anissa apologizes for
not being there, and Jennifer asks if she's okay. She wants her to go to the march with her,
but Anissa tells her that she doesn't want to and she's tired of trying to change people's hearts.
Jennifer tells her to think of it as being with her sister, and Anissa agrees to go and then starts
talking about birth control.

At the school, Lynn comes to see Jeff in his office. She wants to discuss Jennifer's announce-
ment, and Jennifer says that one of them should follow up with her having sex. Jeff wonders if
they're being too liberal, and Lynn assures him that she's got him. She wonders if she should
take a bigger role in the girls' life now that Jeff is being Black Lightning again, and suggests that
Jennifer should move in with her. Jeff refuses, and Lynn asks what happens if Jennifer sees Jeff
hurt. He still refuses, and Lynn tells him that she'll tell him after Jennifer sees the doctor.

As Jeff goes down the hall, he sees Khalil and figures that he's involved with Jennifer. He
asks how an embarrassed Khalil explains how he does it, and finally points out that Khalil dries
his feet before his important parts. Jeff asks if Khalil wants to give Jennifer athlete's foot, and
advises him and Jennifer to slow down. Smiling to himself, Jefferson walks off.

At the club, Grace is dancing with Anissa when Chenoa comes in and accuses Anissa of
cheating on her. Grace tells her to talk about it outside. Chenoa storms out, and Grace asks
Anissa if she's okay.

Gambi dons a pair of coverall and puts up a detour barricade.
Tobias gives one of his henchman an untraceable gun and tells him to leave it at the scene without fingerprints. The youngster hesitates, and Tobias gives him a pair of gloves to prevent fingerprints. When the youngster picks them up, Tobias stabs him in the hand and reminds him that he wanted to move up in the organization. He tells the youngster to stop bleeding on his desk and get out.

After talking to Chenoa, Anissa goes back to the bar and tells Grace that the two of them are done. She says that she was holding onto something that wasn’t working just so she had something to hold on to. Anissa sees a newscast about the march and says that it’d be nice to have superpowers and fight the bad guys. She realizes what time it is and heads to the march to meet with Jennifer.

Gambi shows Jeff the highest point on the new route where Black Lightning can set up. The tailor figures that The 100 will kill marchers to spread fear and stop the protesting, and says that the gunman will look nervous like Jeff does. Jeff says that he’s not nervous but just hoping that God was listening when Holt was talking.

Holt leads the marchers down the street, with Lynn, Anissa, and Jennifer among them. Black Lightning is on a rooftop above and looks out for the gunman. He sees his family, and Gambi tells him to stay focused. Black Lightning spots the gunman step out of an alley and heads toward the march, and jumps down and creates an electrical force field to stop the bullets. Once the gunman runs out of bullets, Black Lightning shocks him unconscious and then takes out a backup gunman.

Holt approaches Black Lightning and stares at him for a moment, and then leads the protestors in Amazing Grace. Tobias is in a car down the street, sees Black Lightning, and complains that the protestors are singing. He tells Syonide to kill Black Lightning, and she fires a rifle and hits Holt. The reverend collapses in Black Lightning’s arms, and the bullet goes through Holt and hits Khalil behind him. Lynn goes to Holt and checks his chest wound, and tells Black Lightning to go as police sirens sound.

The EMTs take Holt and Khalil to the hospital ER, and the Pierces wait outside while the doctors operate. Jennifer asks Anissa if Khalil is going to be okay since they said Holt will be okay. Anissa hugs her sister and says that she’ll be good. Lynn and Jeff watch the news, where they’re talking about how Black Lightning prevented a greater tragedy. The police are not happy with Black Lightning’s efforts, and Bill tells the reporter that the vigilante isn’t making things better for Freeland. Lynn admits to Jeff that she thought it was all over, and says that it was a last-minute thing that they were going to the march. She apologizes for suggesting Jennifer live with her, and explains that the bullets made her realize that the danger is everywhere. She says that she knew eventually Black Lightning would win but she’s not going to accept her defeat gracefully. Jeff tells her that his family is his priority regardless of the suit.

Gambi checks the streetcams at the time of the march, and spots Tobias and Syonide. He then deletes the video so Jeff doesn’t see it.

Lynn asks Anissa what is going on with her, and reminds her that they supported her when she told them she was a lesbian. She figures that something is weighing heavily on Anissa, and Anissa tells her that she and Chenoa broke up. Lynn figures that something else is going on and says that she’ll be there for Anissa when she’s ready to say. Jennifer and Jeff join them and say that the doctors told them that Khalil won’t walk again as they hug. Jeff sees a newscast of an older woman saying that Black Lightning is an answer to their prayers.
Black Jesus

Season 1
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Writer: Pat Charles
Director: Michael Schultz
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)

Guest Stars: Jill Scott (II) (Lady Eve), Jordan Calloway (Khalil), Skye P. Marshall (Ms. Kara Fowdy), Edwina Findley (Tori Whale), Jason Louder (Frank “Two-Bits” Tanner), Chantal Thuy (Grace Choi), Amanda Davis (Joan Lincoln), Al-Jaleel Knox (Lashawn), Kat Logan (Neema), Eric Mendenhall (Joey Toledo), Taylor Polidore (Lisa), Karen Cossay (Veretta), Michael King (III) (Bernard Lewis), Derrick Lamont (Mr. Lewis), Estes Tarver (Leonard Marshall), Jennifer Van Horn (Rose Litchcut), Michael Finn (I) (Man), Darone Okolie (Bam), Alex Phipps (Block), Yolanda T. Moss (Khalil’s Mother), Scarlet Olivia Dunbar (Student 2), Derrion Elmore (Student 1), Jennifer Martin (II) (Nurse 2), Aaron Nelson (Security Officer), Chan Ta Rivers (Nurse 1)

Production Code: T43.10004
Summary: A new super-addictive drug appears on the street, and Jeff thinks someone other than The 100 is involved. Meanwhile, Jennifer quits the track team after Khalil’s injury, and Jennifer tests her new powers in the field.

Jeff arrives at school and two students tell him that a boy is freaking out in the boy’s room. He runs in and finds a student, Bernard Lewis, sitting on the floating groaning. He starts to calm down, but then grabs a urinal, rips it off the wall, and throws it at Jeff. Bernard charges at Jeff, who is forced to shock him unconscious when Bernard keeps coming after a preliminary blast.

Once Bernard is down, Jeff searches him and finds a small bag with drugs. He pockets them as the security guard runs in.

Anissa is driving down the street and sees two girls, Lisa and Neema, buying drugs from some boys. She pulls up and tells the girls to get in the car. Once they go, Anissa tells the boys to stay away from her students. One of them flashes a gun and Anissa starts to walk away. The other boy says that the bitch is crazy, and Anissa asks what he said but then gets back into her car and drives away.

Jeff shows Gambi the drugs, and tailor says that it must be a new drug, Green Light. He tells Jeff that he has to accept that he can’t save everyone. Jeff figures that it’s The 100, and Gambi says that he’ll reach out to his contacts to see who is responsible.
That night, Black Lightning questions a gang member about Green Light. The ganger finally says that he’s working for Two-Bits, and he’s at Tanner’s Taproom. Black Lightning knocks him out and goes.

Lady Eve meets with Tobias as she works on a body in her basement. She talks about how albinos were captured and killed because of their magical power, and expresses her admiration for Tobias reinventing himself after he lost his political career. He joined up with The 100 and they rewarded him with a position of power. Lady Eve points out that since Black Lightning has returned, her partners aren’t confident in Tobias’ abilities. Tobias points out that he’s made Lady Eve millions of dollars and she’s giving him a hard time over one mistake. She tells him that his career is built on the belief that he killed Black Lightning nine months ago. Now the vigilante is back and people feel that they’re being deceived. Tobias assures her that he’s bringing in revenue and will kill Black Lightning, but Lady Eve doesn’t believe he can do it. She points out that Syonide paralyzed a potential Olympic student, and tells Tobias to take out Black Lightning and button things up. The teenager she’s embalming gasps briefly, and Tobias says that he understands.

At Garfield, Jeff and Kara meet with Bernard and his father. Bernard’s father says that Bernard is feeling fine and says that they’ve gotten word that Bernard will be expelled. He warns that it will miss up Bernard’s college chances, and Jeff promises that Bernard will go to college. He needs to know where Bernard got the drugs, and his father insists. Bernard says that he got it from Ronald Wright in the neighborhood. Jeff has him recite the school mantra and then says that they’ll figure it out. Once they leave, Kara warns that the board won’t let Bernard stay at Garfield. Jeff says that it’s his decision and tells her to remind the board of that. The vice principal tells him to tell the board himself and leaves, and Jeff calls Gambi to tell him Ronald’s name. Gambi informs him that Ronald is dead, OD’d on Green Light, and Jeff says that he grew up with Two-Bits and it’s going to get worse before it gets better.

Khalil is going through rehab at the hospital. The nurses go outside and discuss that Khalil will never walk. Jennifer hears them and says that Khalil can hear them. Khalil tells Jennifer that they don’t know him and he’ll be all right, and Jennifer agrees. When she leaves, she breaks into tears and leans against the wall, sobbing.

Tobias beats up the coroner, Leonard Marshall, who says that he thought the body that fell into the river was Black Lightning’s.

Leonard explains that his boss put the body into the crematorium, but he didn’t see it burn. Tobias tells him that he was supposed to confirm Black Lightning’s death, and now Leonard owes him a death. Joey is looking on and beats Leonard to death.

Jennifer returns home, and Jeff and Lynn call her into the living room. They know that she left practice early and disrespected her coach, and Jennifer says that she was helping Khalil. She says that Khalil needs her, and his mother can’t be there because she’s taking extra shifted to pay for his hospital bills. Jeff explains that Jennifer is their first concern and tells her to apologize to the coach. Jennifer tells her parents that she doesn’t want to run track anymore, and Lynn asks her to think about it in two days.

Jeff starts to object but Lynn tells Jennifer that she can go.

That night at dinner, Bill and his wife come over. Anissa says that Black Lightning sometimes hurts people, and Bill points out that Black Lightning doesn’t care about hurting people. She objects, pointing out that Black Lightning is doing better than the police at protecting the community. Bill doesn’t believe it, and Lynn says that it’s hard for Black Lightning’s family. Anissa is sure that Black Lightning’s family supports him because he’s a hero, and everything else hasn’t changed anything. She excuses herself and Jeff asks if she’s all right. Anissa says that she is and leaves.

Anissa puts on a hoodie and goes to the two boys who were selling drugs earlier. She punches them across the street, asks them who the bitch is now, and confirms that they’re alive but one is badly injured. Anissa then calls 911 for an ambulance.

Jeff goes to a bar and sits down next to his childhood friend, Two-Bits. Two-Bits greets him and introduces him to his friends, and asks what Jeff wants. Jeff tells him that a student overdosed on Green Light and Two-Bits might get out of the way because things are getting hot. Two-Bits tells him that he has a family to take care of, and says that he’s got nothing to tell. Jeff has no choice but to leave.

Gambi is going through the computer records when Jeff enters the shop. The tailor says that
Green Light is worse than crack and PCP combined, and is heavily addictive. There have been 36 overdoses but no news because the black kids are dead. The police are trying to get a no-knock warrant on Two-Bits, but Jeff figures that they'll move before then. The 100 is working like terrorists, and Jeff figures that Black Lightning should pay Two-Bits a business.

Later, Black Lightning enters the bar. He takes out Two-Bits’ thugs and grabs Two-Bits, and demands answers about Green Light. Two-Bits says that if Black Lightning turns him over to the police then he’ll get 30 years, and he doesn’t deserve that. Black Lightning tells him that he won’t call the cops if Two-Bits gives him the info and stops dealing drugs. Two-Bits agrees and explains where he drops off the money. When he tries to take a selfie with Black Lightning, the vigilante knocks him out and leaves.

The next day at the hospital, Khalil tells Jennifer that the news people want to interview him. He doesn’t want people to see him the way he is and asks Jennifer what she thinks. Jennifer tells him that she quit the track team, and as a track meet plays on the news, Khalil says that he’s going to do the news piece so people can see that a bullet won’t keep him down. Jennifer hesitantly agrees and turns away.

The school lawyer, Rose Litchcut, tells Jeff and Kara that the board insists on having the final say on students who break the rules, and that they’re recommending that Bernard be expelled. She’s says that they all want the same thing and leaves, and Jeff complains that the board wants him to expel Bernard. Kara says that the students have to do their part and suggests that Jeff stand up to the board. He warns that they’ll fire him if he does and bring someone in without any connection to the school. Kara tells Jeff that she appreciates him and offers her help.

Tori Whale goes to her brother Tobias’ penthouse and they hug. She then asks how they’re going to kill Black Lightning.

Black Lightning goes to the address Two-Bits gave him and Gambi turns on his goggles that let him see electrical signatures.

At the Ruby Red Club, Anissa tells Grace that she’s past the age where she needs her parents to approve everything that she does.

Gambi has Black Lightning look for large refrigerated containers that hold Green Light. Black Lightning figures that it’s too organized for The 100.

Anissa insists that she can make her own decisions without her parents. Grace tells her that she wishes she could still go to them for advice. Three bigots come up and grab Grace, knocking her out. Anissa shoves him away with her super strength and when the others move in, Anissa pulls up her hood.

Black Lightning hears multiple explosions and goes to investigate despite the fact that the truck with the Green Light is pulling away. He arrives at the club, finds the unconscious bigots on the street, and has Gambi tap into the CCTVs. They show the figure in a hoodie stomping on the ground, shattering it, and then the CCTVs go out. Gambi tells Black Lightning that he has nothing, and Black Lightning heads back to the warehouse. The tailor then gets a sawed-off shotgun and drives to the club. He looks around and finds the footprint Anissa left in the street.

Anissa takes Grace to her apartment and asks if it would be a good thing if she made bad people pay for doing bad things. Grace agrees.

Gambi takes a photo of the footprint and leaves.

As they watch a newscast about Khalil’s injury, Tobias tells Tori that there are still warrants out on him so he can’t be out and about. Tori suggests that they use Khalil to turn the people against Black Lightning.

Jennifer arrives early at Khalil’s room and says that Khalil’s mother asked Jeff to come by and Jennifer tagged along. The room is filled with video games and balloons, and Khalil says that the anonymous donor is helping out his mother with the medical bills.

Khalil’s mother, Jeff, and the doctor come in and Jeff tells Khalil that they’ve determined his spinal cord is severed and he’ll never walk again.

Jeff goes back to his office and sits in the darkness. Kara comes in and tells him that the board said that Bernard can stay if Jeff only has the final say on severe infractions. Jeff agrees and once Kara leaves, Jeff calls Lynn. He says that the Khalil situation is bothering him, and he admits that he can’t handle the collateral damage as well as he used to. Lynn abruptly asks if they can talk about it later and Jeff agrees. Once he hangs up, Mr. Lewis calls and says that Bernard went to a drug house looking for more Green Light. When Mr. Lewis went there to get him, 100 gang members pistol-whipped him.
Black Lightning goes to the drug house and takes out the gangers who attack him. He then finds Bernard and carries him to the hospital.

The next day, Jeff tells Mr. Lewis that the new drug is instantly addictive but they've got Bernard the best treatment they can. Mr.

Lewis thanks Jefferson for everything that he's done and leaves. Lynn calls and apologizes about her earlier reaction. She admits that she's angry with Jeff but still loves him.

Tobias comes to Khalil’s darkened room and asks how he liked the gifts. He says that Black Lightning messed up his name as well, and insists that the vigilante is the reason Khalil is paralyzed. Tobias claims that he doesn't Khalil to go through the same thing he did, and says that pain makes someone stronger to the point where they don't even feel it. He offers Khalil a way to kill his pain.
And Then the Devil Brought the Plague: The Book of Green Light

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Black Lightning checks in with Gambi, who assures him that it should work. The vigilante then uses his electrical powers and his suit to hover, and Gambi has him move through the city. Black Lightning finally comes down on another rooftop and then flies to another rooftop. He looks down and sees two policemen trying to arrest a Green Light addict. The addict knocks them back with his enhanced strength and one officer opens fire. Black Lightning jumps down and blocks the bullet, and the addict attacks him. They fight and Black Lightning finally shocks his opponent unconscious, and then tells the cops to call an ambulance and use a taser first next time.

As he lands on a rooftop, Black Lightning clutches at his head in momentary pain and then practices his new flight powers. An alarm goes off and Gambi check a monitor to see Syonide and Tobias upstairs. Gambi goes up and reminds Tobias that they had a deal and Tobias is supposed to be gone. He warns Tobias that the serum that they gave him won’t let him live forever, but Tobias figures that Gambi is still working for the SA. He wants Black Lightning’s real name, and Gambi says that he’s avoided finding out because the information could get him killed. Gambi draws the gun that he brought up with him, and Syonide draws her gun. After a moment, Tobias says that he’ll see Gambi later and leaves with Syonide.
Anissa is doing web research on people with super strength. Jennifer comes in and Anissa quickly closes her laptop. Her sister finds the costume she wore for the cosplay party, and once Jennifer leaves, Anissa returns to the conspiracy theorist. He says that thirty years ago, nine children displayed enhanced abilities and then disappeared.

Jennifer goes to the skating rink with Kiesha and Jennifer sits to put on her skates. As she makes herself up, a girl Lana says that Jennifer will need more than lip gloss. Lana talks about her ex-boyfriend Khalil being crippled, and she and her friend take a swing at Jennifer, and one of them manages to rip her jacket. Jennifer takes both of them down and goes out on the rink.

Jeff goes to the pharmacy, and the next customer says that the bottle of medicine he bought for his daughter had nothing but dust.

The clerk said that he just sells when they gave him, and Jeff points out that the medicine expired three years ago. When Jeff slams his hand down, the clerk grabs a bat and Jeff clutches at his head in pain for a moment. He then apologizes and finds a box that isn't expired to buy for the man.

Anissa continues taking notes and the theorist says that David Poe, the editor of the Freelance Gazette, canceled a series of articles written by her grandfather Alvin that would have exposed the connection between the vaccine and the enhanced kids. Alvin's murder was never exposed.

At home, Jeff takes some aspirin and gets a text from Gambit with a lead on Green Light. Black Lightning goes to the address and breaks in, and enters the warehouse to find crates of chemicals. A man aims a shotgun at him, and says that he isn't scared of Black Lightning. He says that he can shoot Black Lightning and be called a hero, and Black Lightning lasts him down. The man says that normally he delivers, but Joey Toledo gave him some extra money to store the stuff.

Back at Gambit’s, Jeff demands to know why the tailor didn’t know Joey is back. Gambi claims that he hasn’t heard of Joey in a long time, and Jeff figures that if Joey is around then Jeff is as well. As they argue, Jeff suddenly passes out. He calls in Lynn since he can’t risk calling a hospital, and explains that Jeff has been having headaches and showing aggressive behavior. Lynn wonders if it’s Black Lightning-related, just as Jeff starts emitting electricity. After a moment he stops and wakes up, and says that he has to get Joey. Lynn tells him that he has to stay there and rest until she figures out what’s wrong with him.

Tobias tells Tori that he paid Gambi a visit, and Tori warn that Lady Eve won’t. She warns that Tobias is being reckless, and he insists that he deserves a seat at the table. Tobias figures that the cartel is using Black Lightning as an excuse not to promote him, and they don’t respect him. Tori tells him that he never dealt with his worst enemy and can’t forgive himself. She says that she found Eldridge.

The Past Eldridge complains to a young Tobias that most of his money is going to keeping his albino son healthy. As a young Tori looks on, Eldridge tells Tobias that he isn’t black or white. Tori tells him to stop and slaps her.

Now As Tobias remembers the past, Tori tells him that once they handle Eldridge then Tobias will be a new man.

The next day, Anissa visits Jeff in his bedroom and asks about Alvin and his theories. Jeff snaps at her but then apologizes and says that Alvin always did the right thing.

Anissa goes to see David and asks about the research Alvin was doing on the missing kids. David abruptly excuses himself, claiming that he has a story to work on, and tells Anissa to get out. Anissa says that she had heard that David was a champion for the common people and leaves.

Jeff, hiding in the shadows, confronts Bill in the parking lot and gives him Joey’s name as being involved with Green Light. He leaves Bill a burner phone to call him when he needs to and then slips away.

The next day, Lynn checks Jeff and sys that he’s her priority. Jeff smiles at the admission just as the doorbell rings. Lana, her mother, and her aunt Gina arrive and complain that Jennifer broke Lana’s wrist. Lynn comes in and says that they’ll take full responsibility for Jennifer’s actions, and invites them in. They’re soon drinking coffee and laughing. Jennifer comes in and everyone stares at her. Once Lana and her family leave, Jennifer tells them that two girls from a rival school attacked her. Jeff is proud of her, but Lynn says that she lied and not everyone solves their problems with their fights.
Anissa approaches David as he arrives at his office and insists that she needs to know what happened. He figures that Anissa wasn’t going to leave him alone so he tried to order her away, and gives her a box with the information that Alvin gathered. As Anissa goes, David warns her that Alvin tapped into something big and dangerous. He advises her to walk away from it, and warns that “they” are watching and if Anissa finds out who they are, she’ll get killed.

Tobias and Tori go to Eldridge’s house and Tobias punches Eldridge in the face. The siblings walk in and Tori says that they have some questions to ask him. Eldridge says that he didn’t walk out like their mother did, and Tobias says that he appreciates Eldridge feeding and clothing them. He hugs Eldridge and wonders why, and crushes him. Tobias figures that Eldridge wanted to collect money from the state, and breaks his back. He tells Eldridge that he’s going to die slow, and leaves with Tori.

Anissa reads Alvin’s stories about Tobias as a crooked politician, and his connection to the vaccine research. She finds a key marked ASF and determines that it belongs to the Anvil Storage facility, and then looks for her black hoodie. Jennifer has taken it, and Anissa puts on the cat costume that she wore to the party.

Jeff approaches Jennifer as she watches TV and she says that she doesn’t know why she’s being punished for defending herself. She explains that she’s a target for harassment because she’s the principal’s father, and Jeff tells her that fighting should only be about putting a fire out. He admits that fighting isn’t always the best choice, and agrees that it isn’t always easy.

In her room, Anissa works on her move and discovers the costume is too tight. She goes to a clothing store and the clerk helps her pick clothing and a wig out. Anissa promises that she’ll be safe and leaves with her new clothing.

Jack is sparring with a bag when Bill calls and says that he tracked down Joey’s old girlfriend. She’s been seen with Joey recently, but Bill doesn’t have enough information for a warrant. Jeff goes to Gambi’s and puts on the suit, who warns him that the suit could kill him. Gambi asks for a day to fix the capacitor unit causing the problems, but Jeff demands the control module and Gambi finally hands it over.

Syonide gives Tobias an envelope and he finds bone dust inside. Tobias remembers what Lady Eve said about grinding up albinos and using his bones for magic dust. There’s a card in the envelope and a surprised Tobias reads it.

The costumed Anissa goes to the storage facility. When the key breaks, she rips open the door and goes inside. Anissa finds a safe and breaks it open. Inside is a vial of white crystal.

Black Lightning confronts Joey’s girlfriend and takes her phone. He tells her to go, and then sends a text saying that they won’t let her in. Joey gets the text and shows up, and Black Lightning demands to know where Tobias is. Joey refuses to talk, and Black Lightning clutches at his head in pain. The thug attacks him, and Black Lightning finally manages to knock him away. Joey promises that Tobias will kill him, and Black Lightning is unable to summon his electricity as Joey runs off, laughing.
Three Sevens: The Book of Thunder

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Writer: Charles Holland
Director: Benny Boom
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)
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Production Code: T43.10006
Summary: Gambi appeals to Lynn to help him stop Jeff from becoming a killer. Meanwhile, Thunder destroys a statue as part of a protest, and Jennifer discovers that Khalil isn’t who she thought he was.

At the police station, the officers gather and Bill comes in. Deputy Chief Cayman is coordinating Black Lightning’s arrest, and he tells Bill to take MLK Street. Everyone heads out, figuring that they’ve got the vigilante.

In the alley, Black Lightning gets to his feet despite the pain in his head. He hears the police sirens and discovers that his powers aren’t working. Gambi pulls up and fights Black Lightning unconscious on the ground. He gets Black Lightning into his car and drives away, and the vigilante tells Gambi that Tobias is in Freeland. Gambi tells his friend to breathe, and calls Lynn to tell her that Jefferson is in bad shape.

Joey limps into Tobias’ apartment and tells him that Black Lightning attacked him. He says that something is wrong with Black Lightning’s head, and Tobias chokes Joey and asks why he didn’t finish the vigilante. Joey explains that Black Lightning took his gun, but Joey tipped their guy in the police department. Syonide reports that Tori is under protection, and Tobias drops Joey to the floor and tells him that The 100 threatened him. He orders Joey to make sure that they have a crew in lockup to kill Black Lightning once the police bring him in.

Bill and the other officers return to the station, and Bill tells Cayman that Black Lightning escaped in an unmarked van. He asks where Cayman got the tip about Black Lightning, and Cayman says that he didn’t say. Cayman gets a call and steps aside to take it.

At Gambi’s, Lynn checks Jeff while he tells her and Gambi that he couldn’t miss the chance to go after Joey. Lynn tells him that her MRI scan shows nothing unusual, and his powers turbo-charged his healing. She complains that Jeff is pulling her back into his situation, and she hates...
living with the fear that someone will find him dead. Lynn doesn’t care that Jeff wants to find his father’s killer, and tells him that seeing him injured is too much before walking out.

The next day, Anissa leaves the school and joins a protest around the Garfield school statue. They spray the statue with spray paint from water guns, and the police arrive and arrest them. The crowd yells in protest as one officer slams Anissa down to the sidewalk.

Lynn’s research assistant Kam Yuen shows her weird brain scans of Green Light addicts and points out that their brains are lit up from the drug. She recognizes them from Jeff’s MRI scans, and after Kam leaves she compares the two scans. Meanwhile, Kam watches from the hallway and makes a phone call.

Jeff and Jennifer pick up Anissa after she gets out on bail. Jennifer notices that Jeff is in pain and figures that he’s been working out too far. Disappointed, Jeff walks out and his daughters follow him. He reminds Anissa that she broke the law and it only takes one cop to see her as a black woman and shoot her. Jeff tells Anissa that he loves her and doesn’t want to lose her from something she walked away from, and Anissa quietly leaves.

Later at home, Anissa works out how her super-strength works and realizes that Alvin was doing the story on the same thing. Jennifer comes in and Anissa quickly shuts her laptop. Anissa agrees to check over Jennifer’s pre-calc, and says that it’s perfect. She wonders if Jennifer is all right, and Jennifer finally admits that she was looking forward to having a boyfriend and with Khalil, that can’t happen the way she saw it. All she can see for their future is her helping him. Anissa assures her that she has a hard choice to make.

At the shop, Gambi has Black Lightning draw in electrical energy and release it. Jeff wonders if Lynn is right about his powers being a drug, and Gambi assures him that it’s just endorphins. The tailor says that Jeff’s brain can pick up electricity, and admits that he doesn’t know what went wrong. The suit keeps Jeff from blowing out his electrical system, and the resistance was set too high. Jeff tells his friend that he’s going to put Tobias in a grave. Gambi warns that he’s talking about murder, but Jeff insists that ridding Freeland of Tobias is justice. He wonders why Gambi doesn’t want him to catch Tobias, and Gambi tells him that The 100 had nine years to get strong while Jeff was retired. Unimpressed, Jeff says that he’s going to find Tobias and take him out.

When Lynn arrives at her hospital lab the next morning, she finds Gambi waiting for her. He warns that Jeff is going to kill the man who murdered his father, and is worried that is a line that Jeff can’t come back from. Lynn says that Jeff is complicated, and Gambi figures that she’s the only one who can save Jeff from himself. Angry, Lynn tells Gambi to leave her out of it and turns away.

Jeff is in his office and gets a text from Bill saying that no one is talking about Tobias. When he gets an idea, Jeff calls up a video on albinos. The doctor says that albinos suffer from a variety of illnesses due to their condition.

At school, Jennifer discovers that Lana has put up a video of her saying that Jennifer talks white and thinks that she’s better than everyone else.

Anissa stops by Lynn’s lab and asks if Lynn will be coming by for dinner. Lynn says that it might not have been meant to be, and Anissa tells her mother that Lynn didn’t like coming in second to Jeff trying to save the world. She then shows Lynn the research that Alvin put together, and Lynn realizes that her daughter is holding something back. She makes Anissa promise to tell her when she can, and Anissa agrees. Lynn says that she’ll take a look at it when she can and Anissa leaves.

That night, Black Lightning goes to a doctor’s office building.

Gambi is looking at photos of Jeff as a child when a security alert goes off. He sees Black Lightning entering a building and calls him on the radio, warning that Jeff needs to keep the difference between him and Tobias. Black Lightning terminates the connection, and Gambi goes to his computer.

Black Lightning breaks into the office and asks the doctor, Mayfield, if he has Tobias as a patient. Mayfield says that Tobias knows where his children go to school and begs Black Lightning not to help him. Black Lightning says that he’s going to help him, and Mayfield explains that he gets a call to stay open for Tobias. Mayfield refuses to call Tobias, and Black Lightning says that he can help Mayfield and his family. If Mayfield doesn’t accept his help then eventually Tobias will kill him. The vigilante hands over a burner phone and tells Mayfield to call him if he changes his mind.
The next day at school, Kara approaches Jeff and shows him a video of Anissa’s head on a dancing white girl’s body. She says that she’s around if Jeff needs anything, and Jeff thanks her and walks off. He looks for Jennifer and finds her in the exercise room.

Jeff tells her that after slavery, when one black person gets ahead another one lashes out. He says that black is everything under the sun, and Jennifer tells him that lots of people jumped on Lana and said that black people need to stop with the light/dark hair and skin comments. Jeff figures that it’s the Khalil comments that bothered her, and says that the pain might reveal what Khalil is like when things don’t go his way. He advises Jennifer to listen and be honest with herself about what she hears. Jeff tells his daughter to give Khalil some space, but Jennifer figures that she needs to talk to him.

White nationalists have gathered around the statue and the news talks about one nationalist who drove his car into a crowd and killed a girl, Katie Smith. Kara and Anissa are watching the news, and Kara says that she wishes there was something they could do to stop the madness.

Jennifer tells Khalil that he’s been avoiding her, and suggests that they take a break. Khalil says that if it wasn’t for Jennifer, he wouldn’t have gone to the march and been crippled. He tells Jennifer that she has everything and he’s got nothing even though he’s played by the rules and stayed clean. Khalil lashes out at God for taking his legs, and Jennifer tells him that she’ll pray for him. Furious, he orders her out.

Outside, Jeff is waiting for Jennifer to come out. Mayfield calls and tells Jeff that he made the call to redo a test. Jeff promises that he’ll be there, and quickly hangs up as Jennifer arrives. She admits that Jeff was right about giving Khalil space and asks her father to take her home.

That night, Katie’s family and friends have gathered around the statue. Anissa, wearing her costume, walks up and stamps her foot down, shattering the statue. Everyone falls down from the shock waves, and Anissa runs to her car. She calls Lynn, who explains that she’s testing the data that Anissa gave her earlier. Anissa says that she needs to show her the real reason that she needs the research, and Lynn tells her that she’ll let her in when she gets there. Lynn hangs up and gets a call from Gambi. He asks Lynn to get involved before Jeff kills a man.

Black Lightning lands on a rooftop and remembers watching as a child as Tobias and his men stuffed Alvin’s pages down his throat, choking him to death. Tobias, Syonide, and Joey pull up to the doctor’s office and Black Lightning summons electricity to kill them.

Gambi calls and puts Lynn through and she warns him that he’ll shred his soul if he murders. She explains that she’s been talking with Anissa and realized that she was mad that she wasn’t first in Jeff’s life. Lynn accepts who Jeff is, and reminds him that he’s a hero rather than a murderer.

Someone breaks into the lab and Black Lightning hears the sound over the phone. He tells Lynn to hide and he’s coming.

The costumed Anissa–Thunder–enters the lab and finds an unconscious security guard. Two robbers have tied Lynn up, and one of them shoots at Thunder. The bullets bounce off of her and she knocks him down and then takes down the other man. Both robbers run out, and Thunder unties Lynn. Black Lightning comes in and fires a blast at Thunder, assuming that she robbed the place. Thunder shrugs off the lightning blasts and knocks Black Lightning through an internal window. The two of them fight and Black Lightning finally knocks his opponent out. He rolls her over and realizes that it’s Anissa.

Gambi picks the family up and Lynn confirms that Anissa has a concussion but no broken bones. Lynn explains that Anissa has powers and breaks into tears.

Tobias is driving down the street and tells Khalil that he’s made the right decision. Khalil doesn’t know what he can do, and Tobias assures him that he’ll walk again. Syonide assures Khalil that he’ll know strength.

Gambi visits Lady Eve, bypassing her security. She says that if he had gone into business with her after she left the Agency, he’d be rich. Gambi reminds her that the Pierce family is supposed to be off-limit, but Lady Eve tells her that Lynn’s research isn’t.

She sent the robbers to get the files and didn’t know that Lynn would be there. Gambi claims that he doesn’t know anything about Thunder, and Lady Eve reminds him that he made promises. The tailor says that he could have outing Tobias but didn’t, and Lady Eve warns that if Tobias’ dirty laundry comes out then so does Gambi’s. Gambi pulls back his coat, revealing his gun, and walks out.
At their home, Lynn and Jeff wait for Thunder to wake up. When she does, she sees Jeff in his Black Lightning costume and realizes who he is.
Equinox: The Book of Fate

Season 1
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Writer: Lamont Magee
Director: Billy Woodruff
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)
Recurring Role: Charlbi Dean (Syonide), Eric Mendenhall (Joey Toledo), Amanda Davis (Joan Lincoln)
Guest Stars: Edwina Findley (Tori Whale), Will Catlett (Lala), Tracey Bonner (Lawanda White), Derick Anthony (Darius), Jigga Hova (Mr. Nasir), Carlos Rivera Marchand (Raja), Lucia Scarano (Older Latino Woman)
Production Code: T43.10007
Summary: While Black Lightning continues his hunt for Tobias, Lynn faces up to the fact that Anissa is going to become a superhero no matter what her mother says.

At Gambi’s workshop, Lynn checks Anissa for any residual damage after her fight with Black Lightning. She confirms that Anissa’s concussion is healing, and discovers that her broken ribs are healing at an accelerated rate. Lynn tells Anissa that she should retire, but Anissa insists that her powers are a blessing. She says that she and Jeff can put an end to The 100, and that Lynn can’t understand what she’s going on.

Upstairs, Gambi tells Jeff that high-tech robbers hit the hospital and Lynn was in the wrong place at the wrong time. He tells Jeff that there’s no way he could have known that he was fighting his daughter, and Jeff demands to know why Gambi didn’t tell him that Tobias was back in Freeland. Jeff doesn’t believe Gambi’s denials, and Gambi says that he didn’t tell Jeff in order to protect him... from himself. The tailor says that he didn’t want Jeff to do something that he’d regret for the rest of his life, and asks Jeff to trust him. Jeff tells him that he doesn’t trust him and walks away.

Tobias spars with a fighter to hone his skills, and beats the man unconscious. He then tells Joey to find someone worth his time, and the fighter gets back up and renews his attack. The fighter puts up a better fight but Tobias still knocks him out again. Tobias figures that the fighter is hyped up on something and checks his bag, and discovers that he’s taking Green Light.

The next day, Jeff and Lynn go to the station and Lynn works with a sketch artist to identify the thieves. Bill comes over and runs through possible motives for the robbery. He then asks Jeff if the robbers might have been working for The 100 and were sending Jeff a message. Bill figures that Jeff is a figure of hope and advises him to watch his back, and the sketch artist finishes his work.

Soon Lady Eve gives the sketch to two of her men and says that the work requires a delicate touch. As they leave, Lady Eve texts Gambi and says that the cleaners are on the way.
As Jeff and Lynn leave the station, Jeff worries that someone figure out that he’s Blake Lightning and tried to take her. Lynn doesn’t believe it, and says that Anissa brought in Alvin’s research right before the robbery. Neither one of them is sure that it’s just a coincidence.

Tobias tells Tori that Green Light is too addictive and it’s killing too many people. He tells Syonide to arrange a meeting between him and Lady Eve. Tori is surprised that Tobias going to talk to her, and Tobias tells his sister that he isn’t going to talk.

Outside the station, Jeff blames himself for Anissa’s powers. Lynn says that they need to get Anissa to the hospital to run some tests. Jeff says that they’re going back to Gambi’s so Lynn can hide there. Until they can test her, they have to protect Anissa from herself and convince her that using her powers takes more than it gives. Lynn wonders if Jennifer has powers and says that they have to test her as well, and they hug.

At school, Darius and Jeff talk to a student, telling him to control his anger. Jeff gets a call and steps out into the hallway to take it. It’s Bill, who is calling Black Lightning. He asks if there’s someone in Freeland with superpowers, and says that there students reported a woman destroying a statue with a stomp. Jeff tells Bill that he’ll let him know if he hears anything, and asks Bill to find another way to track Joey down. He explains that he’s after Tobias and says that he hasn’t aged in 30 years, and hangs up.

Anissa comes to Jeff’s office and says that she’s ready to hit the streets and take down Green Light drug dens. Jeff tells her that he knows she destroyed the statue and she can’t lose her head, and Anissa asks him to train her. Her father refuses, saying that she’s not ready, and Anissa tells him that he’s not ready. Jeff asks where she got his father’s research, and Anissa explains that she got it from David and discovers that Alvin was doing research on missing kids and enhanced powers. Her father says that it was reckless giving the information to Lynn, and tells Anissa to warn David without using her powers.

Lady Eve is working in her mortuary when Gambi comes in and says that they need to talk. He warns that Tobias is a problem and his head’s gotten too big. Tobias has been strutting around the city like he owns it and is going to open a night club. The crime lord could get caught by the police or Black Lightning... and talk. Lady Eve admits that Tobias has been getting cocky recently, but taking him out could disrupt the city. She offers Gambi Joey and hopes that Tobias will get the hint. Gambi agrees and Lady Eve gives Gambi a small box. He carefully takes it with a handkerchief-wrapped hand and leaves.

Anissa and Jennifer have breakfast and Jennifer realizes that something is going on between Anissa and Jeff. She points out that they’re not talking, and Anissa insists that she and Jeff are cool. Jennifer doesn’t believe them, and points out that they’re ignoring her. Jeff says that Anissa was upset with him because he blew off a follow-up brain scan he had with Lynn. Anissa excuses herself and Jennifer asks Jeff if he’s going to have the scan done. He says that Lynn was called out of town but he’ll do it when she gets back.

At Gambi’s Anissa leaves a message for David to call her. Lynn is there and says that she picked some things up for her so she could be comfortable. Anissa apologizes for what she said earlier, and Lynn says that she’s just concerned about Anissa’s lie. She admits that she and Jeff broke up because of Black Lightning, and asks when the last time Anissa did anything with anyone outside of her family. Anissa insists that she can finally help Freeland and is willing to sacrifice her life so that other people can have theirs.

Anissa goes to David’s office and knocks at the door, but gets no answer. His office is empty, and a staffer comes over and says that David was hit by a car and killed a few days ago.

Wearing a bandana over his face, Gambi goes to Tobias’ club. Joey is in the back counting the money, and hears gunshots. He sends his men out to investigate, and Gambi takes them out. He throws one man through the door and tosses a flash grenade in to blind Joey. Joey fires wildly and when he runs out of bullets, Gambi comes in and shoots Joey down. As Joey dies, Gambi puts the box on his chest and leaves.

When Anissa returns home, she tells Jeff that David is dead and breaks into tears.

Lynn calls Jeff to the tailor store and warns Anissa that she’s stubborn and will eventually go out. She wants Jeff to help her so Anissa won’t get hurt. Gambi comes in with takeout and Jeff says that he’s on his way out. He gets a call and says that he’s on the way. When he hangs up, Jeff tells Lynn that it’s nothing and leaves.

Tobias is sitting in his office drinking and listening to jazz. Tori tells him that Joey is dead, and one of Tobias’ men found the box. She puts it on the desk, and Tobias opens it and reveals
the contents. Tobias figures that it’s a message, swears, and throws it across the room. Tori says that it’s either Tobias or Lady Eve, and Tobias warns that if he kills Eve without the Shadow Board’s permission, they’ll kill him as well. His sister says that might not be the case.

Bill and his men are cleaning up the club when Bill gets a text from Black Lightning to meet on a nearby rooftop. The inspector goes there and Black Lightning steps out of the shadows. Bill tells him what happened to Joey, and he discovered that Joey’s girlfriend got a lot of traffic tickets near a night club that’s opening. They figure that they’ll find Tobias there.

Lynn is watching a newscast about the two robbers being shot near Pax Institute trying to escape with high-end medical equipment.

Gambi tells Lynn that he’s glad she’s safe, and Lynn figures that he cares about Jeff and the family. Because of that, she asks him a favor.

Black Lightning watches the club from a rooftop, and remembers watching as Tobias and his men killed his father.

At the shop, Gambi works on a suit for Anissa and assures Lynn that it will keep her daughter safe. Anissa enters the shop above and Gambi goes to greet her. As they wait for Lynn, Gambi gives Anissa an envelope with the plans of the suit. He assures her that it will be state-of-the-art so he can monitor her vitals. Lynn comes up and Gambi excuses himself, and Lynn says that she gets it.

Anissa always stood up for others and now she wants to stand up for Freeland. Lynn tells her to be careful, and Anissa agrees.

Tobias and his people pull up to the side of the club and go in. He gives the signal to begin his plan.

Lady Eve and her two killers go down the stairs of her mortuary.

Black Lightning confronts Tobias and blasts him back. His bodyguards attack the vigilante while Tori and Syonide get Tobias up.

Two men open fire on Lady Eve and her killers, using electric blasters.

Syonide opens fire on Black Lightning, and he repels the bullets with a force field. A ricocheting bullet hits Tori in the back and Tobias’ man drags him to the car. They drive off before Black Lightning can stop them. He finds Tori and tells her to stay with him, but she dies from her wound.

Lady Eve uses one of her men as a shield. He goes down and she gets close enough to take the gun from one of her attackers and kill the other one. As she looks around, another killer emerges from a coffin and kills her.

Later, Jeff goes home and sits on the porch. In her bedroom, Anissa calls Grace and leaves a message saying that she was hoping they could get together. After she hangs up, Jeff comes in and says that he’s a hypocrite. He explains that he’s let his emotions get the better of him and a woman died. Jeff says that they’re both going to make horrible mistakes, but without them, Freeland doesn’t have a choice. He promises to teach his daughter whatever he knows. Anissa assures him that he’s a great dad, great principal, and great hero. Jeff tells her to be better than him, and his phone rings. It’s Bill, who tells him that he went too far and hangs up and then looks at Eve’s electrocuted body.

The news is soon running news about Eve’s death. The police are saying that the victims were electrocuted and Black Lightning is the primary suspect. Lala wakes up in a cheap motel room, and as he takes in the fact that he’s alive, LaWanda comes in and asks if he believe in the Resurrection. She then turns into dust and drifts onto his body, forming a tattoo of her face on his chest.
The episode begins as Jefferson and Anissa have a training session in Gambi’s basement. As they fight each other, a news report plays that shows the interviewees upset at Lady Eve’s passing and accuse Black Lightning of being a cold-blooded killer.

Lala returns to his nightclub and approaches two of his henchmen, who had heard rumors of Lala’s death. Lala tells them that he was dead.

Gambi is meeting with a mysterious man named Martin Proctor. The mystery man is a member of the ASA, and he claims that he’s bringing agents into town to kill Black Lightning.

Jefferson and Lynn are preparing dinner, and the latter asks her husband how the training with Anissa is going. Jefferson reassures his wife that all is well and reminds Lynn that their daughter is taking the training seriously.

Jennifer is helping out her mom at the lab. Jennifer asks Lynn if she’s noticed Anissa acting weird, and when Lynn checks the box Anissa found in storage, she finds it empty.

Jefferson and Anissa are working a lead on the Green Light drug operation. They break into the morgue that’s keeping Lady Eve’s body and the twins she was murdered with. They find Lady Eve’s badly charred body and send pictures of the body back to Gambi in his lab. Gambi does the quick math and realizes that the amount of heat used to char her could have only been accomplished by weaponry powered by nuclear energy.

Jefferson mentions that they should be able to track the radiation.

Jennifer and Keisha are hanging up posters around school when Keisha begins climbing some scaffolding in one of the hallways. She begins to fall off the scaffolding, and Jennifer, in a fit of excitement, begins to display fire-based powers of her own.
Jefferson and Anissa go back to Gambi’s place to talk to him about tracking the radiation. Gambi shows the pair that he has access to a satellite that displays radiation. The elder mentor tries convincing Jefferson and Anissa to let him go check out the location of the radiation on the map, but the pair refuses to let him go.

The pair are researching the radiation when Lynn calls them. She reveals to them that the powder found in Jefferson’s father’s locker seems to be a vaccine for Green Light.

Gambi’s at a memorial service when one of his customers approaches him and sees him tearing up. She offers some words of advice, and Gambi thanks her before he exits the church.

The two find the source of radiation — one of the guns used in the murder of Lady Eve. When the pair starts unearthing the weapon, they find out that a body has been buried with it. It’s the body of one of the killers.

Jefferson calls Detective Henderson on the burner cell phone and notifies him of the location of the body. Jefferson instructs the detective to match the weapon with the injuries of the bodies at the morgue.

Back home, Jennifer’s in her rooms trying to access the powers she displayed earlier in the day. After closing her eyes and clenching her phone, she’s able to shoot sparks from her hands again.

Lynn goes to Gambi’s and asks him about the possibilities of a Green Light vaccine. Gambi tries playing dumb, but Lynn realizes something is going on. She reminds him that Jefferson has the utmost trust in Gambi. Gambi tells Lynn that it’s time for him to talk to Jefferson.

In the woods, Jefferson and Anissa are monitoring the location of the body from afar to make sure Detective Henderson gets to it. They notice a man in a suit approaching the weapon. Jefferson goes to approach him, but the man in a suit picks up the weapon and it detonates, making a crater in the forest.

Back home, Jefferson is ecstatic that Anissa anticipated the weapon exploding and saved both of their lives in the process. Lynn tells her husband that Gambi knows more that anybody thought. She tells Jefferson to go talk to Gambi and ask him the questions they’ve never thought to ask.

Lala is showering, and the ghost of Lawanda is still haunting him.

Jefferson arrives at Gambi’s and goes upstairs to Gambi’s residence. Gambi reveals that his real name is Peter Esposito. He arrived in Freeland over 30 years ago as a government agent for the ASA. The government created a vaccine in an attempt to make the residents of Freeland more passive, but it instead created metahumans.

After Gambi found out the vaccine was making children sick, he leaked the news to Jefferson’s father at the paper. Gambi reveals that if Jefferson puts on his suit and uses his powers, Martin Proctor will find him and kill him. And they’ll find Anissa and kill her as well.

Jefferson leaves Gambi’s residence upset.

Jennifer approaches Anissa at home. Jennifer shows her sister her phone and reveals that she burned the phone with her hands.
The Book of Little Black Lies

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Director: Tawnia McKiernan
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson)
Guest Stars: Gregg Henry (Martin Proctor), Morgan Brown (Thomas Hildago), Charles Green (Teddy Evans), Derrick Heywood (Thunder Fan), Anthony Reynolds (Deputy Chief Caymen), Benedetto Robinson (Caleb Scott), Jonathan Williams (VI) (Chemist)
Production Code: T43.10009
Summary: Bill decides to help clear Black Lightning’s name by going up against the crooked cops in his department. Meanwhile, Jennifer learns of her family’s superpowers, and Gambi goes off on his own to learn what the ASA is doing in Freeland.

Jeff is punching a bag and remembering what Gambi told him about getting his father killed and how the Asa will come after Jeff and his family. After a moment Jeff punches the bag across the room as his eyes glow with electricity.

Back in the house, Jeff calls Bill as Black Lightning and asks why some destroyed the evidence after he passed on the lead to Bill.

Bill doesn’t know what to say, and Jeff tells him that he’s a good man who works with bad men. He warns that Green light is destroying everyone in its path, and that someone dangerous to Freeland is behind it. Jeff vows to take out Green Light, alone if he has to. Bill asks what he needs from him, and asks if Black Lightning knows who killed Lady Eve. When Jeff points out that there are men in Bill’s department looking the other way, Bill says that he’ll use his vacation time to investigate. However, he asks Black Lightning to make sure his family knows the truth if he ends up dead in an alley. Jeff promises that he won’t let Bill die, and Bill hangs up.

Anissa goes into Jennifer’s room and finds her in bed. Jennifer says that what she did to the phone couldn’t be real but it had to be. Anissa tells her that she’s not going crazy, and tells her that she knows because she thought she was going crazy when she broke the sink. She explains that she has powers and figures that Jennifer does as well, and says that she’s Thunder. Jennifer figures that Anissa is screwing with her, and Anissa demonstrates by lifting up Jennifer’s bed. She says that Jeff has powers too and is Black Lightning. Jennifer runs downstairs as Jeff comes out, and she tells her father what Anissa said. Jeff stares at her and Jennifer realizes that it’s all true. She’s furious that Jeff has been lying to her and storms off. Jeff wonders what Anissa was thinking, and Anissa goes back upstairs.

Later, Lynn and Jeff confront Anissa. Anissa insists that Jennifer had to know the truth, and asks Jeff what lies his parents told him. Lynn says that they held back certain information to
protect them, and Jennifer should have consulted with them first. Anissa apologizes but figures that she owed Jennifer. She says that Jennifer will be all right, but Lynn reminds her that there are people trying to kill Black Lightning and now Thunder. Anissa apologizes again and leaves, and Jeff tells Lynn that he would lay down his life to protect them. She tells him that it doesn’t make him feel any better and wonders if they could have done things differently.

Jeff laughs and admits that they could have been better at all of it, but at least they’ll have a chance to be better at it with their grandkids. He refuses to let the person framing him distract him from his mission.

Anissa comes back in and asks how they stop it, and Jeff tells her that they have to find out who is at the heart of Green Light distribution. He warns that Gambi can’t be trusted with it, and says that they start with Alvin’s research. Lynn tells them that there was research and a reference to a bribed politician in Alvin’s file. The politician was Tobias Whale, and Jeff says that he’s going to get his hands on the court records. He tells Anissa to stay and keep an eye on Jennifer, but Anissa says that either she’ll sneak behind their backs or they can let her help. Lynn tells both of them to be safe.

In his office, Jeff and Anissa go through the files and Anissa finds a reference to BendsCORP. There was a check made out to Alvin from BendsCORP in Alvin’s files, and the letters GTC were written on the check. Jeff remembers that Alvin wrote GTC for “gotcha”, and figures that BendsCORP tried to bribe Alvin to remain silent. Now they need to find out who incorporated BendsCORP from the public records, and Anissa goes to check it out.

As a man, Thomas Hildago, gets into his SUV, Gambi jams an injector into his neck and asked who could create a directed energy weapon that could mimic Black Lightning’s power. He explains that he injected black mamba venom into Thomas’ neck and he has the antidote, and will give it to him when Xxx gives him the information he wants. Thomas writes down a name, and Gambi gives him the antidote and leaves.

That night, Anissa gets mask for her and Jeff. They go into a law office and demand that the lawyer Teddy Evans answer their questions about BendsCORP. When he refuses to talk, Anissa says that she pulled all of his phone numbers and eventually she’ll figure out his passwords. Meanwhile, Jeff summons a lightning ball and threatens Evans, who quickly says that he can help them and hands over the information.

Later at home, Anissa approaches Jennifer and says that she’s lucky. She explains that Thunder and Lightning fought and that’s how she found out who their father was. Then she thought about all of the powers that she could help, but Jennifer points out that the last march she went to ended with her boyfriend’s spine being severed. Anissa tells her that’s who they are and she needs to think of it as a blessing from God. Jennifer says that they don’t have a choice but Anissa insists that it doesn’t matter as long as she can protect people. Anissa notices that Jennifer is watching a video of a man singing Thunder’s praises, and Jennifer shows her the site.

In his workshop, Gambi contacts the man whose name Thomas gave him, and the man tells him to take up another hobby. Gambi decrypts the scrambling and traces the connection, and identifies the man as Caleb Scott. He threatens to call the police on the unlicensed weapons that Caleb has, and says that he needs to know where someone got a particular weapon. Once has the information, he’ll lose his information on Caleb.

Bill watches from a rooftop and takes photos of a meeting between Cayman and the men he’s selling the energy weapons to.

Once Caleb gives him the information, Gambi breaks into a building and lowers a camera down through a vent. He sees a number of cylinders holding the bodies of human beings, and remembers watching one of them using his superpowers years ago and telling Martin that he found another one.

Later, Gambi calls Jennifer to the tailor shop and she says that Jeff told them that they can’t trust him. She asks what happened between Gambi and Jeff, and Gambi says that he held out important information from Jeff and people are in danger. He explains that he used to work as a scout for the ASA and helped them find young people with powers. Gambi says that he found the
bodies of the people he scouted years ago, and warns that it isn't safe for Jeff or Jennifer to be out. He insists that Black Lightning is the only one who can bring the ASA to justice, and asks her to tell Jeff. She agrees and starts to go, and Gambi insists that he cares about all of them and would do anything to protect them. He gives her a duffle bag and says that the contents are for her, and tells her to be safe.

Later, Anissa puts on the Thunder costume Gambi made for her and meets with Black Lightning. She explains that Gambi made it for her and that he cares for them. Anissa points out that Jennifer thinks Jeff lied to her, and Jeff insists that it isn't the same thing.

He warns them that the people they're dealing with are beyond the law, and taking down their lab will declare war. Jeff tells her to save herself if something happens to him, and Anissa agrees.

At home, Lynn tries to talk to Jennifer. When Jennifer walks away, Lynn tells her to sit down. She says that there was no right time to tell her, and they hoped and prayed that they made the right decision. Jennifer told her that she didn't make the right decision, and Lynn explains that Jeff stopped being Black Lightning and he only came back to save Anissa and Jennifer from the motel. They didn't know that Jennifer would have powers because Jeff didn't inherit his powers. Anissa admits that she feels like a freak, and wonders who will want to be with her. She figures that Lynn broke up with Jeff because of his powers, and Lynn admits that it's true. If Jeff didn't have powers then they'd be together, and so would Anissa and Chenoa. Jennifer tells her mother that she doesn't want to save the world, and wonders if she can have kids. She realizes that Lynn doesn't know and breaks into tears. Lynn hugs her and apologizes.

Black Lightning and Thunder wait for Martin, the man that Teddy tipped them off to. Martin pulls up in his SUV and goes into a nearby building. He leaves after a moment without the case he was carrying.

Bill continues taking photos of Cayman and his men.

Black Lightning and Thunder realize that Martin is calling someone, and Thunder says that Martin is saying that they need to move the lab and get the last batch out. She explains that she took a lip-reading class, and as they leave Bill calls and tells him what he's found out about Cayman. He warns that they're ready to start a war and tells Black Lightning that he has to follow them because it's bad.

Cayman and his people meet with Martin where his people are moving the Green Light out of a factory. Martin goes inside, where Black Lightning and Thunder are searching the plant. The workers spot him and run, and Black Lightning starts destroying the Green Light.

Martin and Cayman hear the noise and Martin sends Cayman to investigate. He spots Thunder and opens fire, and she ignores the bullets and tosses him into a wall.

Black Lightning walks into the lab and Martin calls his two soldiers in. He then puts his gun to the doctor's head and threatens to kill him, but Black Lightning says that he'd be doing him a favor. One thug moves in and prepares to shoot, and Bill takes him down from behind. Bill handcuffs the doctor and Black Lightning tells him to leave because things are going to be a little messy. Black Lightning then destroys the lab with lightning.

The ASA men move in, and their commander reminds them to take the target alive. Black Lightning spots them and opens fire, but they're protected against electricity. Thunder takes out one of them and Black Lightning levitates the other one into the air and then tosses him away. The two heroes walk out as the building explodes behind them.

Later, Jeff goes to the living room where Jennifer is reading. She gives him the cold shoulder, and Jeff says that he understands why she's upset with him. He tells her that he's kept the secrets to protect him, and doesn't want her to have the burden of superpowers. Jeff figures that he needs to be honest with her and promises that he will. As he goes, Jennifer admits that she knows he meant well and invites him to watch a movie with her. Jeff accepts and they sit down together.
Sins of the Father: The Book of Redemption

Season 1
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Director: Eric Laneuville
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi)
Guest Stars: Gregg Henry (Martin Proctor), Dabier (Will), Will Catlett (Lala), Skye P. Marshall (Ms. Kara Fowdy), Jason Louder (Frank "Two-Bits" Tanner), Al-Jaleel Knox (Lashawn), Kat Logan (Neema), Taylor Polidore (Lisa), Caleb Thomas (Malik), Nikki Nicole Dillard (Woman), Quinton Garvin (Gang Member 1), Mark Hicks (ASA Agent), Joshua Mikel (Steven Conners), Marcus Samuel (Gang Member 2), Shomari Downer (Lieutenant)
Production Code: T43.10010
Summary: Jeff discovers that kids are going missing on the streets after taking Green Light. Meanwhile, the ASA abduct Gambi to force him to reveal who Black Lightning is, and Anissa taunts Jennifer into displaying her powers.

Two-Bits is on a street corner selling DVDs, and sees a dealer and a girl nearby on a corner. the dealer watches as the boy walks off, and the girl takes some of the drugs she bought and flares briefly. A van pulls up and ASA operatives tase the girl, toss her in the van, and drive off.

Thunder walks to a building, rips through the fence, and goes inside. She smashes her way into a room and finds dozens of pods inside. Each one holds a teenager wired up. Thunder finds a control monitor and realizes that they're alive. She starts to smash one open, but then stops and runs out.

Anissa returns home and tells Jeff that Gambi discovered the bodies of the kids that were abducted 30 years ago, and she decided to check it out on her own. The girl admits that she should have told Jeff but didn't, and Jeff is shocked to realize that they're alive.

At Club 100, Lala is reading a book on the Egyptian dead and meets with his formerly dead cousin Will. Will warns that Tobias won't be happy when he comes back and discovers that Lala has taken over The 100, and Lala says that he'll kill Tobias if he comes back.

He tells Will that he lacked discipline and that's why he killed him. Will points out Lala's thugs at the door and asks him if they have it coming... and disappears because only Lala can see him.

Lala goes over and asks his men why they're not out on the streets, and they say that Black Lightning destroyed the Green Light.

Their boss tells them to get out and get creative, and one dealer says that nobody wants the old drugs after they have Green Light.

He tells Lala that he's losing it talking to himself, and Lala grabs his ear and rips it off. When the dealer goes for his gun, Lala grabs it and shoots him dead, and the other men say...
that they'll sell whatever Lala wants. As they go, Will appears to Lala only and tells his cousin that he's always killing people just like he killed him. Lala tells him that everything he did he did to himself, and says that Will's mother hasn't been the same since Will "disappeared". Will disappears in a puff of dust, and his tattoo appears on Lala's chest.

Thunder takes Black Lightning to the building and they discover that the cylinders are gone. There are traces of large objects being dragged out, and ASA operatives open fire on them. Black Lightning deflects their bullets with an electrical force field and Thunder knocks several of them off the catwalk. She joins her father and together they out the remaining operatives. an alarm goes off and the vigilantes run out.

Later at home, Jeff tells Anissa about Gambi's history with the ASA. The ASA put Gambi there to report on their illegal human experiments to make the black docile. The vaccines inadvertently gave a few kids powers, and Gambi reported the kids to the ASA.

Anissa defends Gambi and points out that he used his leverage of the program to make the ASA stop. She insists that Gambi cares and tries to make things right, but Jeff tells her that there are some things that can't be made. Anissa says that they need to find the kids and they need Gambi's help, but Jeff refuses to work with someone he can't trust.

The next morning, Two-Bits comes to the Pierce house and says that he needs to talk. Jeff invites him in and Two-Bits says that he saw one of Jeff's students using Green Light before she was abducted. He describes the student burning before they took her, and gives the address where it happened.

A man, Steven Conners, comes into club 100 with his bodyguards. Lala greets him and says that he needs him to front him $2.5 million in drugs. Conners says that the offer is tempting but wonders how he can trust him. He points out that Lala disappeared and reappeared, and people only want Green Light. Lala figures that people need to get something to get by, and hands Conners his mother's address. He says that he's putting up his mother's life as collateral and invites Conners to check it out and make sure that it's legit. Conners agrees that they have a deal as long as everything turns out valid. as they leave, Will asks Lala if he's really going to put his mother up and Lala ignores him.

Jeff tells Jennifer to stay home from school that day and won't explain why. when Anissa comes in, and Jennifer tells her what Jeff said. Once she leaves, Jeff asks Anissa to stay with Jennifer because it might not be safe for her. As he goes, Anissa tells him to be safe.

A girl is looking for her abducted friend, Neema, and goes into the tailor shop to put up a flyer. She says that Neema was on Green Light and the police don't think that it's worth their time, and Gambi says that he'll put the flyer up.

Jennifer complains to Anissa that powers have already ruined her life, and she doesn't want to be a superhero. Anissa insists that it's a blessing from God, and Jennifer wonders if it's a curse from the Devil. She starts to walk away and Anissa tells her that people are dying and they have powers and a responsibility. Jennifer isn't interested and Jennifer tells her that she quits on everyone she's close to, including Khalil. Furious, Jennifer's eyes glow for a moment and her hands flare with energy. Lightning surrounds her for a moment, burning a nearby couch, and Anissa realizes that Jennifer is just like their father.

Jeff goes to Lynn's lab and tells her what he's learned. Lynn figures that ASA is replicating the Green Light experiments from 30 years and tells Jeff to see Gambi because he needs his help. Jeff refuses and says that he might be able to track the current of the pods with his powers. He tells Lynn that Two-Bits tracks any trucks coming into and out of Freeland, and explains about his electrical vision. Lynn wonders if he can see through clothing, and Jeff eyes her, chuckles, and leaves.

Gambi returns to his shop and Martin and two of his men come in. Martin tells him to come with them, and Gambi draws two guns on them. The ASA head says that if Gambi doesn't come with them, his man on the street will open fire on pedestrian. Gambi claims that he doesn't care about random people, but finally gives in and lowers his guns. The ASA men take Gambi away.

Jeff goes to Jennifer's room and asks if she's okay. Jennifer admits that she isn't and Jeff promises her that she'll live the life she wants to live. However, he says that she has to learn to control her powers so no one gets hurt. As Jeff hugs her, Jennifer asks how he uses the bathroom in his suit and they both laugh.

That night, Black Lightning finds Two-Bits and finds him smoking drugs. The vigilante shocks the drugs out of Two-Bits' hand, says that he's making him a better man, and asks him about the
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truck. As Two-Bits says that some military trucks were driving around but never left Freeland. A woman tries to drop a microwave on Black Lightning, and she apologizes but says that the reward is too much.

She tries again and misses, and Black Lightning tells Two-Bits to be a better man before slipping away.

Black Lightning takes to the rooftops and tries to spot the pods’ electrical current. He sees Malik getting a corner boy’s take and walks off.

Martin’s men beat Gambi until he tells them to stop. He then says that they know Gambi broke into the building and later Black Lightning showed up, which means that Gambi knows how to contact Black Lightning. Gambi insists that he doesn’t and Martin has his men waterboard him.

Malik hands off the money to two men driving by. Jeff comes up and asks Malik to attend the Freeland’s mentorship program at Garfield, but Malik says that he needs the money for his grandmother. The principal says that if Malik agrees then he’ll find a way to get them the money they need. Malik tells him that he’s good and walks away.

The ASA men wake up Gambi and Martin admits that he’s a tough old man. He wonders why Gambi stayed in Freeland and helped raise Jeff, the son of the man who was investigating them. Martin wonders why, but Gambi says nothing and Martin tells his men to bring Jeff in.

Anissa takes Jennifer to Lynn’s lab and Lynn puts the girl through a MRI scan. The machine apparently malfunctions, and Lynn has Anissa and Jennifer switch places. As Jennifer gets out, Anissa apologizes for what she said earlier and Jennifer tells her that it’s tube. The machine has no problem scanning Jennifer, and Lynn has the girls switch back. The machine displays an energy flare-up again, and Lynn tells Anissa that it’s not a malfunction. Jeff takes electricity from the source and channels it through his body, but Jennifer’s cells are creating pure energy.

Jeff waits in his classroom for Malik. The boy finally comes in and Jeff tells him that he’ll be personally mentoring him. He says that he’s glad that Malik came and has him recite the school’s mantra. As they begin the teaching, Malik apologizes for shooting Jennifer with fake blood and Jeff says that he knows he’s sorry. The two ASA men come in and tell Jeff that if he’ll come with them if he wants to see Gambi again. Jeff gives Malik a poetry assignment and the two men take him away.

The men take Jeff to where Gambi is and say that Gambi didn’t tell them anything. They tell Gambi that they’ll blow off Jeff’s head if Gambi doesn’t tell them where Black Lightning is. Jeff uses his powers to shut down the lights, and Gambi tackles one of the men, grabs his gun, and shoots the other man. Jeff helps Gambi up, and the older man collapses in Jeff’s arms.

Jeff takes Gambi to his workshop and realizes that Gambi didn’t say anything about him. Gambi tells him that Jeff and his family are the only ones who have ever been in the workshop, and apologizes for everything. As Jeff goes, Gambi tells him that the ASA is kidnapping kids again. He says that Jeff has to get his family out of the house and find the spotter: someone like he used to be.

Gambi figures that there’s someone identified in the community who identifies the kids with Green Light powers.

Lala meets with his dealers, and one says that his customers only want Green Light. When Lala tells him to leave, the dealer says that when Tobias gets back, he’ll deal with Lala. Lala walks calmly over and the dealer draws a gun on him. Unimpressed, Lala tells the dealer to do it. He pulls the trigger but the gun doesn’t fire. Lala tells him to get out of Freeland and the dealer quickly leaves. Once he goes, Lala tells the remaining to dealers that they have two weeks to move the drugs. Will asks Lala how he knew the gun was going to misfire, and Lala says that he didn’t.

Jeff takes his family to his childhood home and explains that no one knows he owns it. Anissa realizes that’s where Alvin was murdered, and Jeff tells them that they’ll be there a while.

Martin goes to where the pods have been moved and he thanks Kara—his spotter—for bringing him Neema. He tells her to keep her eyes open for other kids, and says that Jeff is Black Lightning. Martin points out that he’s been hiding under Kara’s nose, and asks if she can take him down. Kara assures him that she can.
The episode begins with the vice principal checking on the bodies after moving them from the lab. One of them is showing some abnormalities, which sounds bad, but the doctor doesn’t seem too worried. Black Lightning and Thunder, meanwhile, are searching for the bodies with Gambi’s help. They can’t find them, but they do find a whole bunch of weapons, which Black Lightning blows up.

The vice principal/spotter, Kara, finds out about the armory’s explosion and talks to Martin about it. She also argues with Martin yet again that Jefferson can’t be Black Lightning, but he shuts her down and she promises to take care of things.

She then secretly meets the dirty chief and another dirty cop, and threatens them and tells them to plant drugs on Jefferson Pierce. This can’t be good.

After Jefferson and Anissa’s unsuccessful search, Gambi promises that he’ll find the pods of bodies, but Jefferson’s not convinced. Anissa, meanwhile, is worried about Gambi’s injuries, but he just brushes it off. She asks what happened to him, but he only tells her to talk to Jefferson. He warns her that the ASA is looking for them, and the weapons they blew up were meant to kill Black Lightning, so they need to be careful.

Anissa then asks Jefferson what happened to Gambi, and he tells her about the ASA beating him up. She points out that he saved Gambi, which means he has to trust him. Things are pretty uncomfortable between them, but since the ASA is gunning for all of them, Anissa thinks they should all just get along.
The doctor at the new lab had thought the body with abnormalities would be fine. Instead, an alarm goes off and he loses the kid. Things are definitely going to go horribly wrong with those pods.

Later, the Pierces go back to school, and Jefferson asks Anissa to keep an eye on Jennifer. In the middle of the day, though, everyone in school notices a bunch of cops showing up in the parking lot and breaking into Jefferson’s car and office. And, of course, they find the planted Green Light. Shocker!

So Jefferson winds up getting arrested. He almost resists, but a cop pulls his gun out, which is horrifying. Jennifer freaks out and almost uses her powers, but she controls herself. The same thing happens with Anissa. A bunch of students also try to stop the cops from taking Jefferson, but Jefferson calms them down too, showing what a great principal he is. Of course, Kara is watching the whole time.

Henderson is shocked when Jefferson is brought into the precinct. He knows the chief is dirty and demands to see the search warrant, but he can’t prove anything. The chief even threatens him.

Back at school, Kara lets the ASA know that Jefferson is in custody so they can take him and verify he’s Black Lightning. Meanwhile, the cops beat Jefferson up at the precinct, and then he has to go through the whole degrading process of being strip-searched. He almost loses control of his powers multiple times.

Lynn shows up at the precinct and demands to see Jefferson, but she’s not allowed to because they’re divorced. She goes to see Henderson instead, though, who agrees that Jefferson’s been framed and tells Lynn to trust him.

Anissa, meanwhile, goes to see Gambi. She wants to suit up and go get Jefferson, but Gambi reminds her that going out as Thunder could endanger Jennifer and Lynn. Plus, Jefferson’s not using his powers himself for a reason. The problem isn’t Jefferson being in jail; it’s when the ASA comes to take him because they’ll prove he’s Black Lightning and kill him. So Gambi and Anissa need to prove he isn’t Black Lightning before the ASA takes him.

Henderson then goes to talk to Jefferson but quietly lets him know that they’re being watched. Henderson then questions him about his connection to LaLa. Jefferson swears he’s being set up, but he doesn’t know why. It doesn’t matter, though, because the dirty chief comes in and says they have an order to transfer Jefferson. Hopefully, Anissa and Gambi will do something in time.

Lynn watches TV while people in the community comment on Jefferson’s arrest and racial divides in the city start to come out. Henderson then calls her to tell her that the feds are taking Jefferson because of national security concerns. She immediately tells Gambi and Anissa. They’re out of time, so they decide to use some of Gambi’s new technology, but he’s worried it’s too new and won’t work.

Jennifer then asks Lynn why Jefferson won’t just "Black Lightning his way out," but Lynn says you can’t fight your way out of everything. Lynn tells her to be strong but that it’s also okay to be scared, and Jennifer breaks down, thinking her dad might not come home.

Back at the jail, Henderson talks privately with Jefferson and demands to know what’s going on, but Jefferson doesn’t give him anything and says he doesn’t know. Henderson still tries to help him, though, and calls in another one of the dirty cops. He found out that that cop just came into a whole lot of money, and now he wants that cop to turn on the chief.

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Luckily, Thunder and Gambi are also on the case. Thunder and a hologram version of Black Lightning tear through the city, while Gambi manipulates the power grid to make it seem like Black Lightning’s using his powers. With Jefferson in jail, he can’t be Black Lightning! It’s pretty cool.

Kara’s now even more convinced that Jefferson’s not Black Lightning and begs the ASA to have him released, but they just tell her that’s not her job and to stay out of it. Luckily, the dirty cop admitted to planting the evidence, so Henderson lets him go. The chief finds out and gets pissed, but Henderson arrests him for being dirty too.

Jefferson finally comes home and reunites with his family, but they get an unexpected knock on the door. Luckily, it’s just Gambi. And he and Jefferson finally make up, which is cute! Plus, Henderson gets promoted to deputy chief. So it all worked out. For now.
The Resurrection and the Light: The Book of Pain

Season 1
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Director: Oz Scott, Eric Laneuville
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)
Recurring Role: Gregg Henry (Martin Proctor), Jordan Calloway (Khalil), Will Catlett (Lala), Skye P. Marshall (Ms. Kara Fowdy), CharliB Dean (Syonide)
Guest Stars: Morgan Brown (Thomas Hildago), Mark Coddington (Lieutenant), Richard Marrero (Dwayne), Yolanda T. Moss (Khalil’s Mother)
Production Code: T43.10012
Summary: Tobias returns to Freeland with orders from the ASA to capture Black Lightning. Meanwhile, Jeff discovers that Lynn is trying to "cure" the family's superpowers, and Khalil returns to town and tries to get back together with Jennifer.

Tobias looks at his healing burn injuries in a mirror, and then goes to meet with Martin at a NSA facility. Martin welcomes him back. He says that Tobias is important to them now that Lady Eve is gone, and now there's a vacancy. Martin explains that years ago, they developed a chemical that would make the citizens of Freeland docile so that they could control them. It didn't work, and gave some of them metahuman abilities. All of the ASA's subjects died before they became fully operational, and the ASA created Green Light trying to perfect the serum. The yields are better but the survival rate isn't, so Martin needs Tobias to find Black Lightning. Black Lightning is a product of the vaccine but lives, and Martin needs him for research purposes. Martin tells Tobias to bring Black Lightning to him alive, and says that he finished the project Tobias was working on before he got hurt. Khalil walks in and Martin reminds Tobias that he needs Black Lightning alive.

Lynn calls Jeff and asks him to come over. When he arrives, he finds Lynn in lingerie. She claims that there was a spider, and they kiss. Jeff sends sparks through her body and she says that she likes it when he does that.

After sex, Jeff asks Lynn what happened. She says that she figures that after everything that they've been through, she feels closer to her than ever. Lynn tells Jeff that she loves him and has loved him for a long time, but she doesn't think they should say anything to the girls. She wants them to be sure before they tell them, and Jeff agrees.

Dwayne comes to see Tobias at his penthouse, and Tobias thanks him for saving his life. However, Tobias points out that Dwayne left Tori to die. When Dwayne says that Tobias would have died if he had gone back for him, Tobias chokes him, tosses him to the floor, and Syonide shoots Dwayne dead.
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Jeff is driving to school and sees Khalil walking down the street. He pulls over and asks Khalil if he’s coming back to school, and Khalil says that he isn’t. When Jeff tells him not to abandon his education, Khalil starts to walk off. Jeff asks what kind of procedure got him back on his feet, figuring that someone pulled the strings to make it happen. He wants to make sure that Khalil isn’t being taken advantage of. Khalil tells him that he’s walking and no one is taking advantage of him, and says that Jeff doesn’t care about him. He points out that Jeff disappeared when he couldn’t walk, and wouldn’t let Jennifer near him.

At the workshop, Jeff tells Gambi and Anissa that Khalil is walking. Gambi says that it’s million-dollar technology, and Jeff figures that the ASA is responsible. Anissa determines from the newspaper archives that 43 kids have gone missing. Gambi only saw 36 pods, meaning 7 are dead. The tailor figures that catching Martin is the best way to shut the project down. Jeff figures that Khalil can lead him to Martin, and Gambi plans to talk to Hidalgo. He warns that Martin will be watching Jeff and looking for Thunder.

Lynn is checking Jennifer and says that having superpowers doesn’t have to change her life. She’s made a little progress in locating the gene causing her superpowers, and suppressing it is the first step.

Jeff goes to Khalil’s apartment and talks to his mother. She says that Khalil is in California, and Jeff says that he saw Khalil that morning. Mrs. Payne is surprised and shocked when Jeff tells her that Khalil is walking. She says that a hospital administrator, Mr. Martin, told them that Khalil was chosen for a pilot program. There was a risk of infection and Mrs. Payne should stay away from her son. Jeff asks for Mr. Martin’s number and Mrs. Payne goes to get it.

Gambi goes to Hidalgo’s basement and aims one of his guns at him. Hidalgo insists that he can’t tell Gambi what he wants to know, and Gambi says that he’s going to put a target on him so every person he double-crossed can find him. He demands Martin, and gives Hidalgo 48 hours to come through.

Jeff checks on Jennifer and says that he saw Khalil earlier and he’s walking. Jennifer wants to find him, but Jeff tell her that Khalil isn’t the same person. He figures that Khalil has gotten involved with the people looking for superpowered kids, but Jennifer figures that Khalil wouldn’t hurt her. Jeff tells her to stay away from Khalil, and Jennifer tells him that she’ll be glad when Lynn “fixes” her. After Jeff leaves, Khalil texts Jennifer asking her to meet him, and she leaves.

At the Pierce house, Jennifer goes back to the roof and finds Khalil waiting for her. He shows her how he’s walking again, and says that he’s been feeling bad about the way things ended between them. Khalil tells her that he didn’t know when he couldn’t walk, and reveals his spinal implant. He explains that he’s the first person to get it, and says that his new dreads are because of pills they gave him to help with the regeneration. Khalil starts to kiss her and Jennifer moves away and asks how they picked him for the procedure. He wonders if it matters, and Jennifer says that it might. Khalil figures that her attitude is coming from Jeff, and starts to walk off. Jennifer insists that it isn’t true, but Khalil says that he’s better without her, casually leaps off the roof, and disappears into the darkness.

Later, Khalil goes to Tobias. Tobias tells him to go back to Garfield and their job is to catch Black Lightning. The crime lord says that Black Lightning beats up bad guys who hurt people, so Khalil will go into Garfield and draw Black Lightning out. Tobias knows that Khalil tried to get Jennifer back, and tells him that Jennifer and Garfield belong to the past. Khalil agrees and Tobias warns him that if he screws up then he’ll rip his implant out and shove it down his throat.

In his office, Lala meets with two of his dealers. He says that they’ll move the second dealer to a less lucrative spot to send the message, and tells the first dealer that when it bets people up it destroys the morale and endanger loyalty. Lala picks up the phone and a voice says, “The Devil deals the cards.” Once Lala hangs up, he walks out without a word.

Hidalgo calls Gambi and says that he has what Gambi wants, and invites him to come there. Once Hidalgo hangs up, he turns to where Lala is standing holding an assault rifle.

Lynn makes cake for Jennifer, who asks about the procedure that she’s developing. Her mother says that there’s nothing wrong with Jennifer and wants to give her options, and warns that she doesn’t know how long a cure would take or if it would be safe.
At the workshop, Anissa suggests that they track electrical surges to determine where the ASA is keeping the pods. She contacted a former Garfield student who reported electrical surges three years ago that disappeared at the same time that mobile solar panels were developed. Gambi says that he’s meeting with Hidalgo and will show them how to search for rooftop solar panels. A police report comes in that Garfield is under attack. Gambi warns that Black Lightning is still wanted by the police, but Jeff heads out with Anissa.

Khalil overturns a bus and walks into Garfield. He attacks anyone who gets in his path, firing darts from wrist gauntlets. Jennifer tries to stop him, saying that it isn’t him. Khalil says that it is him and he has to do it, and tells her to run. Kara helps evacuate the students, and Black Lightning and Anissa arrive. When Jennifer runs up to them, Black Lightning tells her to go as well. The vigilantes split up and Jennifer goes back.

Thunder finds Syonide in a room holding a gun on some students. The assassin orders the students to run and shoots at Thunder, who ignores the bullets and creates a shockwave that knocks Syonide down. Syonide attacks her with batons and the two women fight. The batons shatter on Thunder’s arm, and they continue fighting as Jennifer watches from the door. Energy crackles between her fingers.

Black Lightning finds Tobias and blasts him. Tobias shrugs off the blast, just as Gambi brings up the internal cameras and warns Black Lightning that Tobias is wearing some kind of protective suit. Gambi warns Black Lightning not to fight hand-to-hand, but the hero charges at Tobias. The two men fight.

Thunder and Syonide spar back and forth and Thunder knocks Syonide down. Syonide gets up and kicks Thunder as she regroups.

Meanwhile, in the hallway Jennifer tries to control her energy and runs off. Thunder finally manages to knock Thunder down, and Gambi tells her that Black Lightning needs her help.

Black Lightning and Tobias continue fighting, and Black Lightning takes Tobias down. Khalil arrives and throws a locker at Black Lightning. The hero dodges and Gambi tells Black Lightning to zap Khalil and knock out his implants. Khalil shoots a dart into Black Lightning’s neck, and Black Lightning pulls it out... and discovers that his powers have stopped working. obis grabs him from behind and Khalil punches Black Lightning dead. Furious, Tobias knocks Khalil back and prepares to remove Black Lightning’s mask. Thunder arrives and knocks them down, and Syonide opens fire on her. The hero shields her father’s body and the villains run off, and Jennifer runs up as Thunder realizes that their father doesn’t have a pulse. Jennifer shocks Jeff, and Gambi tells her to do it again. She does so and Black Lightning’s heart restarts.

Later, Gambi has Jennifer and Anissa bring Jeff to a cabin in the woods. Lynn arrives and tends to Jeff, while Gambi has them destroy their phones and cloaks the place against surveillance.

Kara tells Martin that some of the students heard that Black Lightning is dead. Furious, Martin tells her to find Black Lightning’s body and bring him Thunder, dead or alive. He insists that the experiment cannot fail and walks off.

Syonide brings a hooded Lala to Tobias and removes his hood. Tobias asks if he believes in the resurrection, and Lala draws a gun.

Tobias says, “The Devil deals the cards” and orders Lala to sit down. He then thanks Lala for killing Hidalgo, and says that once they kill Martin they'll own the entire organization. Tobias asks Lala if they should begin, and Lala agrees.
Shadow of Death: The Book of War

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Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China Ann McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)
Recurring Role: Gregg Henry (Martin Proctor), Jordan Calloway (Khalil), Will Catlett (Lala), Charibi Dean (Syonide)
Guest Stars: Keith Arthur Bolden (Alvin Pierce), Crystal Lee Brown (Desk Sergeant), Josh Henry (Man in Lab Coat), Derrick Lamont (Mr. Lewis), Kaden Lewis (Young Jefferson), David Alexander (VII) (Walter Rutledge), Cory Scott Allen (Klovic), Leon Lamar (Store Owner), Swift Rice (Elevator Operator), Vernika Eshay Rowe (Auntie Gina)
Production Code: T43.10013
Summary: The ASA finds where the Pierces are hiding and come after them. Meanwhile, Jeff faces the possibility of losing his powers after the climactic events at Garfield.

30 Years Ago — A young Jeff and his father Alvin walk down the street in the rain and come across to Gambi. Alvin sends Jeff to the car, and Gambi complains that Alvin named names and Tobias is indicted. Alvin says that his editor killed his story, and Gambi tells him to leave it alone. Despite that, Alvin says that he’s consumed with guilt about having Jeff take the vaccine.

Later, people gather at Alvin’s coffin. Afterward, Jeff is sitting in the car and Gambi watches from a distance. In his shop, Gambi listens to news reports about the violence in the city. On the street, police chase Jeff and grab him. His eyes glow and he blasts them back with electricity. Jeff runs off, frightened, and tries to climb over an electrical fence. He’s shocked unconscious, and Gambi finds him and discovers that the boy’s body is charged with electricity.

Now — Lynn tells Jennifer that she saved Jeff’s life. She says that Jeff has a short circuit in his powers and it’s disrupting his neural system. Gambi warns that everyone is looking for Jeff and they can’t take him to a hospital.

Jennifer goes out on the porch and Gambi joins her. He asks if she’s all right, and Jennifer talks about how she’s a freak from a family of freaks. She wonders if Tobias and Syonide are metahumans, and Gambi explains that their powers are artificial, and Tobias takes a steroid that extends his life and makes him as strong as three men. He pulled Syonide out of an orphanage and took her in, and trainer her to be an assassin. Tobias had carbon-fiber body armor implanted under her skin, driving her insane with pain. Gambi figures that the implant in Khalil is causing him to produce a neurotoxin that causes instant paralysis. Jennifer insists that Khalil isn’t a
weapon, but Gambi says that Khalil made a choice and is with Tobias. He tells Jennifer that Khalil isn’t the boy she knew anymore, and goes back inside.

At Tobias’ penthouse, Khalil apologizes for apparently killing Black Lightning. Tobias asks if they should accept “Painkiller”’s apology, and Syonide draws a gun on Khalil and asks if he can put a dart in her before she shoots him. She and Tobias laugh and Tobias takes Khalil to take a seat. Tobias then tells Khalil never to apologize, and it was Martin who wanted Black Lightning alive.

He’s not upset that Black Lightning is dead, and figures that Martin will have to go eventually.

At the ASA base, Martin’s underling Klovic tells Martin that the only man they could find connected to Tobias is Lala. The man says that there was a brownout and the stage 1 subjects are dying. They need a DNA sample from a stable metahuman to rewrite the bad DNA.

There are four stable stage 2 subjects, but Martin insists that isn’t enough. He tells his people to stop working and explains that they have to have more metahumans than any enemies. Martin orders them to find Black Lightning and Thunder so they can confiscate their DNA, and to find Lala as well.

The next day, Gambi tells Jennifer and Anissa that he knew Jeff had powers before he did. It took 15 years for Jeff to become Black Lighting when he saw that Freeland’s people were losing hope. Anissa wants to go after Martin, but Gambi warns that they are shielded there and the ASA is looking for them. He says that Anissa is best for them right there and they go back to the house.

Lynn lies with the unconscious Jeff and talks about how she could feel death at the moment that Jeff flatlined. She says that they have a connection, and she needs Jeff to find it and follow it back to her.

Syonide brings Lala to Tobias, and he charges at Tobias. Tobias easily knocks him down, and Lala gets up and charges him again. When Tobias says the trigger phrase, Lala freezes. The crime lord says that he spent a million on the reanimation process and it’s time for Lala to pay him back. Tobias explains that LaWanda and Will were side effects of the reanimation, and everyone Lala killed will come back to haunt, becoming tattoos on his skin, until he has no skin left.

The Past — Alvin returns home with Jeff and complains that his son was suspended. Jeff says that someone else started it, and Alvin tells him that an eye-for-eye mentality doesn’t solve anything. His son wonders what if he’s supposed to let them hit him, and Alvin tells him that he has to get back to work. He orders Jeff to read the Constitution and he’ll quiz him at dinner.

Now — Jeff moans in pain and Lynn tells the others that his nervous system is shutting down.

Once the agents find Lala, they bring him in and he asks to speak to Tobias. Lala says that he can’t tell him where Tobias is, and starts gagging. He reaches for his mouth and Martin realizes that Lala has det cord. He leaves with two of his agents and tells them to find Gambi and the metahumans, as Lala blows up behind them.

Lynn tells Jeff that his vital signs are back to normal, but she doesn’t know if his powers will come back. Gambi reports that his perimeter sensors are lighting up and the ASA is coming, and Jeff figures that Anissa and Gambi can’t defeat them alone.
The tac team moves in on the cabin, and Gambi watches them on the surveillance monitors. He warns that they can't stop them and have to retreat, Jennifer says that it’s too much, and Gambi says that he’ll engage them while Anissa gets her family out the back. Gambi hacks the tac team’s comms and directs the Pierces to an emergency tunnel. Jeff tells Gambi to light up his costume, and says that he’ll distract the tact team while Gambi leads his family away. Anissa points out that Jeff’s head isn’t bulletproof even if the suit is, and he kisses his family goodbye. Gambi warns that it’s suicide, but Jeff tells him to light him up. After a moment, Gambi powers up the suit.

Jennifer starts emitting energy, and she hugs Jeff. Her energy jump-starts Jeff, restoring his powers. Jennifer collapses while Jeff summons electricity and tells Jennifer that she saved his life again. Gambi warns that the ASA won’t disappear even if Jeff wins, and his best option would be to take off and make a life somewhere with his family. Anissa refuses to abandon the family, and Lynn says that she’ll help. Jeff agrees and they prepare to fight.

Martin monitors the tac team going in from the ASA base. The soldiers move in, and Thunder walks out. She shrugs off the bullets and sends them flying with her thunderclaps. Black Lightning blasts others from the flank, and Martin refuses to let the tact team abort.

Lynn tells Gambi to give her one of his shotguns, and says that her father taught her to shoot. Khalil tells Tobias that a military team is attacking Black Lightning. They figure that since Martin’s soldiers are in the field, it’s time to go after Martin.

Bill receives word of the firefight and tells all of the officers to head there.

Thunder and Black Lightning attack the soldiers, who are forced to fall back. One of them shoots Thunder with an energy weapon, trapping her in a force field. Black Lightning jumps down and attacks the soldiers. Meanwhile, soldiers burst into the cabin, and Gambi and Lynn shoot them. Jennifer runs to Lynn and hugs her. Another soldier comes in, and Jennifer blasts him with her energy.

Black Lightning shorts out the containment weapons, freeing Thunder. Martin, watching, curses and Klovic tells him that the police are on their way. The ASA head has no choice but to abort the assault, and orders the field team to relocate the stage-two pods.

Alarms go off and Klovic reports that they have a breach.

Khalil walks into the base taking out any agents coming at him. Tobias and Syonide come in behind him and shoot down any agents that Khalil missed. Martin orders his men to destroy the hard drives and sees Tobias and his people coming. He grabs a briefcase and goes through a door, training a gun on Klovic so that he won’t follow him. Khalil comes in and paralyzes Klovic, and realizes that Martin has escaped.

The police arrive at the cabin. Gambi and the Pierces flee through the woods to a waiting vehicle and drive off.

Martin goes to the field lab, and Black Lightning and Lynn come in. Thunder and Jennifer cut off Martin as he tries to leave, and Black Lightning says that Martin knowing his identity will be a problem. Gambi arrives and says that he figured Martin was conducting a rogue operation. When Martin says that the Freeland kids they experimented on would have ended up in prison or on welfare, Jennifer blasts him into the air with an energy blast. Impressed, Martin says that most of the kids are dying. He can fix them if Black Lightning gives him a sample of stable DNA. If they don’t deal, Martin promises to come back and kill them all. Gambi shoots him dead and admits that he is a monster, and Martin won’t hurt any more kids. He tells the Pierces to take care of the pods while he drags out Martin’s body. The scientist warns that if they open the pods then the kids will die. He says that he needs the briefcase, but Lynn says that she knows someone who can help the kids.

Later after the news of Martin’s operations comes to light, news teams are interviewing people in the streets. They figure the government will try again.

Bill gives a statement saying that hard questions are being asked of the government. He admits that the city owes a debt to Black Lightning and Thunder.

Jeff is jogging down the street with his daughters. They return to their house where Lynn is waiting.

Syonide brings Martin’s thumbs from the coroner’s office, and Tobias uses one on the case. It doesn’t open, and Tobias tells the chained-up Slovic that he’d better hope it works. The second thumb opens the case, and the contents glow with a green light as Tobias looks at it. He has
Syoniode kill Klovic and tells her that he’s the king of Freeland and is going to rip the light out of Black Lightning.
Season Two
The Book of Consequences: Chapter One: Rise of the Green Light Babies

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The episode begins with video of a news report of police strangling Nissa Williams, a user of Green Light, to death. In the next scene, Reverend Holt is using the death to preach about the murders of black men in the community.

Jefferson is being questioned in his office by members of the school board in regards to the attack on the school last season. They inform him the school is temporarily being shut down.

Lynn is being questioned by a federal authority about her knowledge of Green Light. The fed orders her to stay away from anything involving Green Light, even though she knows how to help people suffering from the addiction.

Jennifer wakes up to Anissa sitting on the foot of her bed worried. When asked what’s wrong, Anissa shows Jennifer a video the elder sister took of Jennifer levitating in bed while seemingly on fire.

Kara Fowdy is on the way to her car in a parking garage when she’s stopped by Syonide, requesting the vice principal to join her in visiting Tobias Whale. Fowdy refuses and the two fight. Fowdy eventually uses a dagger in her heel to seemingly kill Syonide.

Jefferson and Lynn are having a heated discussion about Jennifer. Lynn recommends they have Jennifer see a therapist and Jefferson upsets saying that she has more problems than the average teenager. The conversation calms down and Jefferson informs Lynn that the school board shut them down.

Fowdy goes to Gambi’s shop and confronts him about his role with the ASA. She asks from his help in leaving ASA operations and in exchange, she’ll retrieve the briefcase they’ve been after.

Elsewhere, a pastor is preaching to his congregation and reveals to them that the ASA won’t be releasing those members of the community that’s been placed into the pods. Rather, they’ll
have to raise over half a million dollars to be able to sue the government for the release of the captives.

Lynn has a sit down with Jennifer to talk about her expanding powers. An upset Jennifer accidentally shocks her mother, who runs away.

In the bathroom, Lynn tells Jefferson that she spoke with Gambi, who helped Lynn gain access to the pod people at the ASA.

We a shot inside of what looks to be a drug house. A masked vigilante is knocking everybody out and soon enough we see that it’s Anissa in a toned-down outfit. She makes quick work out of the bad guys and takes all of their money.

Jefferson dresses up as Black Lightning and goes to talk to Deputy Chief Henderson. There, Henderson lays out the evidence he’s compiled that Jefferson Pierce is Black Lightning and with nowhere to go, Jefferson reveals his identity. Jefferson admits to Henderson that Anissa is Thunder. Although Henderson is upset, he doesn’t do anything with Jefferson.

Later that night, Jefferson’s in bed watching a news report on the government’s testing on members of poor urban communities. Lynn walks in and Jefferson reveals to her that Henderson knows the true identity of he and Anissa. Lynn reassures him that Henderson is a welcome friend and someone that can be trusted.

Anissa sneaks back home to avoid detection by her parents.

Gambi calls Jefferson to his shop to tell Jefferson that his assistant principal was acting as Proctor’s spotter for the ASA.

Anissa goes to the church we saw earlier in her new costume and she gives the pastor the stolen drug money, in an effort to help out with the churches fundraising efforts.

Jennifer’s talking to a friend in her room when she starts having an episode. She rushes to the bathroom and begins to start lighting up again.

Lynn is talking to the same ASA agent as before but this time around, she’s much more composed and combative.

Later on in the afternoon, Lynn calls Jefferson home because of Jennifer’s episode. She’s in the tub surrounded by some sort of orange force field. Jefferson pulls her out of the tub and bear hugs her in an attempt to smother the energy. The hug happens to work.

At work the next day, Jefferson is informed that the school board has voted to close down Garfield permanently. Jefferson offers to step down in exchange for keeping Garfield open.

We see the kid killed at the beginning of the episode has been reanimated and is hiding out in a warehouse.

Lynn’s now walking among the pods of captive kids, showing her control of the project. Annisa can be seen stacking more money into a bag, presumably more drug operations she’s shut down.

Jennifer is levitating in bed again, still surrounded by the orange energy.

Fowdy has entered Tobias’ office and confronts the gangster directly. He’s upset over Syonide’s death and uses his harpoon on Fowdy. She’s able to cut the string off the harpoon and escape out the window.
The episode starts with Tobias playing chess with Khalil. He’s upset with Khalil’s botched security efforts which allowed Fowdy to kill Syonide. Tobias ends up punching Khalil.

At the ASA, the people in the pods begin to wake up and instantly start displaying powers. The first person the breaks out can seemingly breathe lightning through his mouth while the second has telekinetic abilities. The first guy ends up killing himself and a staffer while the lady escapes.

Gambi identifies the woman as Wendy Hernandez and reveals that she has the ability to control the wind.

Lynn’s superior reveals to her that they’ve captured Issa Williams, the kid the revived himself during last week’s episode.

Anissa’s going out for drinks and begins to hit it off with a singer at the bar. After he set, Anissa introduces herself and the two begin to talk.

Jefferson walks into his office to find out he’s been replaced as principal by a man by the name of Mike Lowry. Jefferson finds out that Lowry is white and is instantly unsure whether or not resigning is the right choice.
Gambi calls Jefferson and Anissa over to tell them more information about Hernandez. Both of Hernandez’ parents were killed by the time she was placed in the pod and although she has no family, Gambi was able to narrow her location down to four possible locations.

Jennifer’s getting ready for bed when there’s a knock at her second-story window: it’s Khalil. Jennifer’s upset about his actions at the school, but Khalil explains his situation with Tobias. Jennifer almost powers up but Khalil leaves before she’s able to do anything.

Tobias goes to visit Marcellus and the two talk about killing Alvin Pierce. Tobias snaps his brother’s neck.

Jennifer and Anissa are cooking dinner with Jefferson when Lynn walks in with Issa. The family begins eating dinner when each of the family members suddenly begin taking shots at each other. Issa reveals that ever since he came back alive, people around him can’t help but to tell the truth.

Later that night, Jennifer takes Issa to the roof where the two talk about harnessing their own powers.

Tobias meets up with a corrupt detective, who’s leaking information to the Black Lightning archenemy. After Detective Summers hands over an envelope full of evidence, Tobias kills him.

Jefferson calls a meeting with the teachers of Garfield High and informs them that once the school reopens, he won’t be their principal.

At the ASA, Lynn’s putting Issa through testing, which confirms that Issa is a carrier of the meta gene. Lynn reveals that Issa has an advanced case of the gene, which is taking over the other cells in his body. Because of that, Lynn tells Issa that eventually he’ll die from it. She informs him of the stasis pods, but he’s unsure if that’s a move he’d want to make.

Gambi’s able to track down Hernandez and Jefferson suits up to try stopping her from wrecking havoc. Jefferson’s eventually able to stop Hernandez and tries to convince her to go with him to find help.

Issa decides not to put himself in a pod and instead goes to reconnect with his family and take whatever treatment options he has. Lynn returns to the ASA, where it’s revealed that they plan on testing Issa in an actual environment.

Jefferson returns to Gambi’s shop where he’s instantly confronted by Anissa, who’s upset her father went out without her. Jefferson reveals Hernandez returned to the ASA to be placed back in her pod.

Students have gathered in the auditorium at Garfield High and Jefferson informs them all of his resignation. He does reveal, however, that he’ll still be at Garfield as a teacher. When he’s leaving the stage, a student stands up and leads the entire auditorium through Jefferson’s “Where’s The Future” chant.
The episode begins with cops escorting an overdosing Green Light user into an examination room. The lady is able to escape initially and leads the cops on a chase outside, where she picks up a dumpster and when she tries to throw it at the officers, it’s zapped out of the air by Black Lightning.

Jefferson’s able to talk her down and stuns her, allowing him to be able to haul her off to safety.

The next day, Jefferson and Gambi are examining the security camera footage from Garfield High on the day of the attack and they’re disappointed to find out no cameras captured Tobias or Syonide in the school during the day of the attack. Jefferson reminds Gambi that Khalil is still the key to helping them find Tobias.

Anissa and Jennifer are talking about the latter’s house arrest. Anissa won’t reveal their parents plans on letting Jennifer go back to school.

Lynn is talking to Agent O’Dell at the ASA and she mentions to him that it feels like he’s trying to sabotage her efforts. He reminds her that if he was trying to sabotage her project, she’d have already failed by now.

Jefferson notices metal detectors being installed at Garfield and rushes into Principal Lowry’s office to confront him about the situation. The two are instantly at each other’s throats.
Jennifer’s on a walk when she’s stopped by a random woman who knows her name. The woman introduces herself as Perenna and when she shakes Jennifer’s hand, the two are teleported somewhere else.

Later that night, Jennifer approaches her parents about the situation and they reveal Perenna is a metahuman therapist recommended to them by Gambi.

Inspector Henderson is investigating the scene of a vehicle burnt to a crisp and they uncovered the burnt remains of Detective Summers. Henderson points out that it was a professional torch job with all evidence removed from the scene, hinting that Summers was probably doing bad things with career criminals.

At the ASA, Lynn is meeting with Dr. Jace, the criminal that O’Dell recommended she hire. It’s revealed that Dr. Jace was one of the primary people involved in the initial testing behind Green Light. Lynn offers to try facilitating a visit between Dr. Jace and her son if she agrees to help the ASA.

Jefferson cleans out his office at Garfield.

Anissa shows up to the bar Grace is bartending at, asking to speak with her. The two talk about their past.

Inspector Henderson shows up at the Pierce household to talk with Jefferson about the torched car and he asks for Black Lightning’s help.

Tobias orders Khalil to track down an associate that owes them money. Khalil tracks him down but instead of getting the money owed, an upset Khalil ends up killing him in a fit of rage instead.

Jennifer agrees to go speak with Perenna about her problems. Perenna transports Jennifer into her own subconscious as a way to teach her how to control her own powers.

Dr. Jace agrees to help out Lynn on helping heal the pod kids.

Anissa’s researching an up-and-coming real estate developer that purchased the clinic she works at and plans on shutting it down. She speaks to Gambi about it and Gambi admits that it looks like a case of money laundering.

Jefferson hunts down the suspect of the vehicle arson and the two have a brief fight before Jefferson overpowers him. The arsonist reveals that a shady-looking man with gauntlets on his arms stopped him in an alley and threatened to kill him if he didn't torch the vehicle.

Jefferson tells Henderson that Painkiller/Khalil is apparently the one to hire the arsonist. Jefferson then goes on to track down Khalil to question him about Tobias’ whereabouts. Khalil throws one of his darts at Jefferson and manages to get away.

Tobias is praying at the casket of Syonide when Inspector Henderson and a team of SWAT agents break in and arrest him.

Anissa and Gambi are staking out the exchange of money between the developer and a group of criminals. The two take out the group of criminals and Anissa takes the money to give to her churches pastor to use towards the clinic.

Back home, Gambi’s alarm system goes off and when he goes outside, he finds an ailing Kara Fowdy laying on the ground.

Henderson returns to Jefferson’s house and informs him that they caught Tobias.
The episode starts Jennifer walking down the stairs — she’s going to a school dance. Jefferson is taking a picture of Jennifer and her date when there’s a knock at the door and Kahlil walks in. He uses his darts to knock the entire family unconscious and he and Jennifer begin fighting. Jennifer eventually uses her powers to blast Kahlil out of an upstairs window and it’s revealed that it was a training exercise set up by Perenna to help Jennifer try and control her powers.

Inspector Henderson is interrogating Tobias and tries tying the crime lord to the death of the former Freeland police officer to no avail. Henderson walks out out the interrogation rooms and is reminded by the District Attorney that Tobias needs to be charged with crimes within 48 hours or he’ll walk.

Gambi tells Jefferson about Anissa’s plans to steal from the criminal underworld to give to her pastor’s health clinic and an upset Jefferson confronts his daughter about the situation. After their argument, Anissa tells her father she’ll move out of the house by morning.

Anissa’s packing up her belongings when Jennifer walks into her room crying and the two talk.

The next morning, Jefferson and Lynn talk about the situation in bed. Jefferson is called to the police department, where Inspector Henderson reveals that Tobias will be released. Henderson says that any evidence the police department had collected against Tobias has since disappeared. Jefferson tries convincing Henderson to let him take to the stand in front a grand jury — Jefferson wants to testify that he witnessed Tobias kill his father. Henderson doesn’t agree.

Gambi goes into his basement, where he’s hooked up the ailing Kara Fowdy to machines in order to monitor her vitals. Fowdy comes to and begs Gambi to help her — but the latter tells her that she needs to make her peace, she’s septic and the condition is only getting worse. Gambi
tries using that fact to get more information about Tobias’ operations from her but Fowdy doesn’t budge.

Jefferson’s sitting in his room at school when he hears commotion in the hallway. He rushes out to split up a fight between two students. Jefferson’s able to calm down the students but Principal Lowry overhears the fight and rushes out to try and take control. Lowry instantly expels the kid who threw the first punch and suspends the other kid for a week.

Lowry leaves and Jefferson chases him down to confront him about the situation. An upset Jefferson tells Lowry he chose to remain at Garfield to give Lowry enough cover. Lowry disagrees and continues with his plans.

Anissa arrives at Gambi’s shop and informs him of the fight between her and her father. Gambi lets her stay there as long as she needs.

Lynn and Jace are working at the ASA when one of the pod kids wakes up and begins using his ice-based powers in the pod, eventually killing himself. Jace reveals she knew the kid was on the verge of waking up but chose not to save him in order to get more scientific data.

Jefferson returns home to Jennifer, who’s upset because she thinks her father threw her sister out of the house.

Tobias is transferred into a room with his business partner and an attorney. He orders his attorney to put on headphones so that he can’t hear the conversations between Tobias and the business associate. Tobias is informed that a large sum of money was taken from them and asks if they’re allowed to kill the robber. Tobias agrees.

Jennifer’s working on her laptop when her powers flare up and causes the computer to combust.

Anissa returns home to tell her father that Gambi thinks somebody is going to attack the health clinic. He accepts Anissa’s apology and agrees to help watch the clinic. Gambi analyzes the situation and tells Jefferson and Anissa that he thinks the clinic might be bombed.

At the ASA, Lynn talks to Jace while she’s performing an autopsy on the pod kid that just died. Jace reminds Lynn that all of the pod kids are going to die at some point — it’s just a matter of when, not if.

Jefferson and Anissa are staking out the clinic when they realize a woman they previously thought was pregnant walks out with no stomach. They two rush indoors and find two bombs, but are able to contain the blasts well enough they don’t cause any damage.

Meanwhile Gambi tracks down the woman and the two fight. She manages to hijack a dirtbike and escape.

The next day, Jefferson is being questioned by the district attorney on whether or not a grand jury would believe his testimony. The DA says she believes Jefferson, but an attorney cross examining him would be able to prove Jefferson lied as a child, destroying any and all credibility he has.

Jefferson goes to speak with Gambi and the two realize that Tobias is going to get off free. Jefferson refuses to let Tobias off the hook, hinting he wants to harm his father’s killer.

Later that night, Jefferson calls a family meeting to talk with Jennifer about her budding powers. Jefferson and Lynn inform Jennifer that they feel it’s unsafe for Jennifer to go back to Garfield and instead, decide to home school her.

Fowdy tries escaping Gambi’s basement, but collapses. She realizes that Gambi was telling the truth earlier and before she passes, she gives Gambi her phone, which supposedly has the whereabouts of Tobias and Proctor’s brief case.

The episode ends with Tobias being released from prison. On his way out, he tells the media that he plans on becoming an upstanding member of society and wants to help find the person responsible for killing Alvin Pierce.
The Book of Blood: Chapter One: Requiem

Season 2
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Guest Stars: Jordan Calloway (Khalil Payne), Clifton Powell (Reverend Jeremiah Holt), Birgundi Baker (Anaya), Eric C. Lynch (Councilman Kwame Parker), Chantal Thuy (Grace Choi), Jennifer Riker (Dr. Helga Jace), Jason Louder (Frank '2-Bits' Tanner), Rob Morean (Deacon), Toshi Toda (Hiroshi), Robert Walker Branchaud (Sheriff Clark), Tommy Kane (John Webb), Christopher Márquez (Latin Male Reporter), Milli M. (Reporter #2), Anisa Nyell Johnson (Waitress), Catherine Clifton (Lab Tech), Buddy Watkins (Tobias Thug), Keil Oakley Zepernick (Caucasian Guy)
Production Code: T43.10055
Summary: Jefferson and Anissa make a shocking discovery while investigating a creepy man at the clinic. Tobias pressures Khalil to fill the void that Syonide left.

The episode begins with Gambi buying fruit from a street vendor. He’s driving home when he stops at a red light and a car pulls up next to him. The car rolls down their windows and they begin shooting at Gambi. Gambi leads them on a chase and eventually crashes with his vehicle erupting in flames.

Anissa is seeing with Reverend Holt, who proceeds to offer her a job at the clinic.

Jennifer is taking a calculus test at home on her laptop and she has a flashback to her conversation with Khalil from last week.

Anissa is seeing a woman patient at the clinic when she notices the patient’s boyfriend start getting nervous. The boyfriend starts pacing around the room and looking out the window and yells at Anissa to do her job. The patient, who’s pregnant, expresses nervousness in having a child.

Councilman Kwame Parker is kidnapped by Tobias’ henchmen and taken to his HQ. There, Tobias reveals that he knows Martin Proctor was one of Parker’s primary donors. Tobias threatens to release that information unless Parker agrees to work for him.

Inspector Henderson arrives at Jefferson’s house to tell him about Gambi. Jefferson nearly rushes out of the house when Henderson pulls him back in to tell him it “won’t be possible” to see Gambi. Henderson tells Jefferson and Anissa that nobody got out of the SUV before it exploded. Anissa finds out that Henderson knows the vigilante identifies of her and her father.
Henderson leaves and Jefferson tells Anissa that until he sees Gambi’s body, he’s going to assume he’s alive and well.

At the ASA, it’s revealed that Lynn has found a cure for the pod kids, but she tells her colleagues that it only has a 50% success rate. Lynn refuses to use it until she can be sure it won’t kill anybody.

Anissa tells Jennifer that Gambi was attacked by gunmen and he didn’t make it. Jennifer immediately breaks down.

Anissa goes to Grace Choi’s apartment and tells her about Gambi’s death and the two talk. Anissa tells Grace that if she knew she had one day left to live, she’d want to spend it with Grace. The two kiss. Anissa and Grace spend the night together.

The next morning, Grace tells Anissa that sleeping together was a mistake. Grace confronts Anissa about her only coming around for sex and dipping out as soon as life turns up for the better. Grace asks Anissa to promise to not hurt her, but Anissa refuses.

Grace storms out of the room upset and we see her take a pill as spots begin to form on her skin. The spots go away as soon as she takes the pill.

Councilman Parker hosts a press conference to announce that a donor has come forward to help pay the costs to relocate Reverand Holt’s clinic to a better part of town. Parker refuses to reveal Tobias as the donor.

The next day, Lynn talks to Jefferson about his current mental state. Lynn gives Jefferson Gambi’s pocket watch, which makes him furious. Jefferson takes the pocket watch and leaves the house.

He goes to a local bar to start drinking and Two Bits shows up. By the time Two Bits shows up, Jefferson’s pretty intoxicated. Two Bits leaves and another bar patron slaps one of the waitresses on the butt. Jefferson rushes over and begins fighting the patron and Henderson rushes in to stop him.

The two sit down in a booth to talk.

Anissa’s leaving the clinic when Deacon, the boyfriend from the other night, rushes in terrified at something and he has blood all over his face. He warns Anissa that she has to find the baby before he dies in her arms.

Jace tells Lynn a theory she has on how to better the pod kid vaccine so that it has a guaranteed approval rate.

The power at Two Bits bar goes out and Jefferson shows back up in his Black Lightning suit. He questions Two Bits about Gambi’s attack and Two Bits says he heard Gambi was attacked by a government agency. Two Bits confirmed that nobody saw Gambi exit the SUV.

Henderson and the crime scene investigators arrive and begin questioning witnesses. Anissa and Henderson are talking when they notice a living metal-like substance leak out of the holes in Deacon’s head.

Jennifer’s looking through pictures of Gambi on her computer when Khalil knocks on her window. Jennifer warns him he can’t be there, but he wanted to tell Jennifer he had heard about Gambi before he leaves.

There’s a memorial starting to form outside of Gambi’s tailor shop. Jefferson enters the store to look around, sitting down at the counter. He takes out the pocket watch and immediately begins crying. Anissa sneaks up from behind and clears her throat, alerting her dad to her presence. The two hug.

Lynn and Jace begin injecting the cure into the pods and the first pod starts ringing off an alert. One by one the pod kids begin dying. Lynn starts freaking out and Jace reveals her true motivations — she lied about the cure’s survival probabilities. Half of the pod kids end up dying.

Anissa’s driving home on a dark secluded road when she’s pulled over. Anissa asks why she was pulled over and the cop tells her he’s suspicious of her. He asks her to step out of the car but she notices something crawl under the sheriff’s skin and she immediately drives away.
The episode begins with a woman yelling at three men. The apparent leader of the men calls her "Looker" and she begins choking him out. She uses her powers to pull out metallic liquid out of his face, apparently killing him.

We find out that Gambi is alive and is torturing the man that chased him. After the man doesn’t give up any information, Gambi shoots him twice, killing him.

Lynn’s grieving over the loss of the pod kids and tells Jefferson about Dr. Jace cooking the data to make it look like they’d all survive.

Councilman Parker friend approaches Reverand Holt about relocating his clinic to a better part of town, but Holt doesn’t want anything to do with Tobias. Parker returns to Tobias’ house and tells him Holt won’t budge — Tobias orders Khalil to kill the Reverend.

In a flashback, we see how Gambi was able to escape his SUV and detonate the vehicle remotely so that his attackers would think he’s dead.

Anissa’s walking through the woods when she happens upon a commune of sorts — she says she’s looking for Anaya, the pregnant woman from last week’s episode. She’s introduced to Anaya’s parents and explains the situation. Anaya overhears and walks out and Anissa informs her that Deacon — her boyfriend — is dead.

Khalil’s sitting with Jennifer on the roof and he tells her that Tobias wants him to kill Reverand Holt.

Anaya’s in distress and starts going into labor and Anissa helps her give birth to one child, except Anaya continues having contractions — she’s having twins.

Jennifer goes downstairs and begins talking to her mother. The two end up arguing about Lynn’s role at the ASA.
Anissa lays the babies down and they look at each other and their eyes start glowing. Later that night, Jennifer overhears her mother getting sick in the bathroom — she’s drunken too much.

Reverend Holt’s walking to his call when Khalil stops him. Khalil warns the pastor that he’s got to leave Freeland that night otherwise he’s going to die. After It refuses, Khalil starts choking him, before he throws him to the ground.

Anissa and Anaya are talking when the latter reveals that black people in South Freeland have to live in the woods because the Sanjay — the white folks — all have superpowers. She tells Anissa that a woman called Looker gives them all powers. Anaya then reveals her father’s going to disown her for having kids with a white man.

Khalil returns to Tobias and tells him he botched the Reverand’s assassination. Khalil’s in the process of walking back out when Tobias attacks him and the two start fighting.

Anissa immediately goes out to talk to Anaya’s parents and reminds them that black or white, Anaya’s babies are still their grandkids. She tells them they need to take the babies some place safe and the parents agree.

The group leaves the house and are nearly instantly attacked by the people Looker is controlling. They surround Anissa and company and Jefferson shows up dressed as Black Lightning. Anaya and Snissa are able to escape with one of the babies and Jefferson begins surveying the damage, unable to locate the other baby nor Anaya’s parents.

He witnesses one of the dead Sanjay leak the silver metallic liquid and he starts following it back to the Looker. We find out that the Sanjay have taken the missing baby.
The episode opens with Jefferson continuing to follow the mysterious metallic substance back to Looker. He comes across a squad of Looker’s henchmen and although he tries using a cloaking device to sneak by, he’s ultimately detected. He puts up a good fight but ends up getting knocked out.

Jennifer is having a session with Perenna, where she reveals she still cares about Khalil. Jennifer mentions she’s unable to tell her parents about the situation and admits that she’s afraid that she’s going to live as a closed-off hermit the rest of her life.

Gambi’s sketching in a hotel room when he hears something over the radio about Jefferson — a resident apparently named their child after him because he’s a role model.

Jefferson is tied up in the basement of Looker’s hideout.

Anissa introduces Anaya to her mother, who checks out the twin Anaya still has. As they’re examining the baby, Anissa’s sample of the metallic substance jumps out her purse and tries getting to the baby.

Looker begins shocking Jefferson in an attempt to get information out of him on the location of the other baby. Jefferson’s unwilling to speak and she somehow manages to see within his head. She orders her cronies to continue shocking Jefferson until he’s dead.

Jefferson pretends to be dead so that they stop shocking him. Before long, he busts out of the restraints and makes easy work of the two guards watching over him. Jefferson hears the other baby crying upstairs and goes to investigate.
Jennifer meets Khalil out by the school’s football field. Khalil explains that unless he kills Reverand Holt, Tobias will kill him and Jennifer offers to help protect her former boyfriend.

Jefferson walks the stolen baby through the woods and is able to reconnect with Anissa, warning her that Looker is on the way.

Reverend Holt begins powering down for the night when Khalil approaches him. The reverand pulls on a gun on Khalil as a preventative measure, and Khalil tries warning the pastor that Tobias wants him dead. After the warning, Holt holsters the gun and Khalil leaves the church.

On his way out, Khalil is stopped by Tobias who orders him in the car. Khalil refuses and starts running away from Tobias.

Jefferson arrives back in town and drops the baby off at Inspector Henderson’s place for protection.

Khalil is hiding from Tobias when we find out he’s being tracked by a group of Tobias’ cronies. All of the sudden the lights go out and they lose power to their tracking devices and we find out Jennifer has arrived to help Khalil. The two meet up and Jennifer reveals her powers to Khalil for the first time.

Looker and her group arrive at the safehouse Anissa is keeping her mom and Anaya. Lynn and Anaya are hidden and Anissa begins fighting Looker. Looker is in the process of choking out Anissa when Jefferson arrives to help out.

Anissa uses a blast to throw Looker across the facility, and she’s subsequently impaled on a bar. She starts leaking the metallic fluid and we see everyone under her sway return to their previous state, presumably hinting she’s lost her powers. Jefferson tells Anissa they’ll be handling Looker over to the ASA, even though the organization experiments on metas.

The Sange are burying their dead when Anissa and Anaya show up. Anaya goes to speak with her dad, and he informs her that her mother was killed in the fight. Anaya’s dad agrees to hold both of the babies for the first time.

Later that night, Anissa and Grace are hanging out when Grace rushes to the bathroom and we see her powers begin to manifest again.

There’s a knock at the door of Gambi’s hotel rooms and he cautiously opens it up with a pistol in hand — it’s Jefferson. Jefferson’s upset that Gambi’s been pretending to be dead this whole time. Gambi admits that he’s trying to protect the Pierce’s by pretending to still be dead and the two hug.

Lynn returns home later that night to find all of the lights on in her house. She’s unable to locate Jennifer, who isn’t picking up her phone. Lynn and Jefferson go to speak with Perenna, who refuses to share the whereabouts of Jennifer.

Perenna admits she doesn’t know the location of Jennifer, but lets it slip that she knows that Jennifer is probably with a boy.

We see Jennifer and Khalil hiding out in an abandoned warehouse. The two talk and eventually decide to leave Freeland.
The episode starts with Jennifer and Khalil remaining on the lamb. The two realize they need money and Khalil decides to extort it from one of Tobias’ drug dealers. Khalil steals a bag of cash and tries running out of the club but he’s chased by gunmen. Hearing the commotion, Jennifer leaves the car to use her powers to help him out. The two manage to escape unharmed.

The rest of the Pierces arrive at Gambi’s shop and work with their thought-to-bed-dead friend on locating Jennifer’s whereabouts. Anissa realizes that she’s probably with Khalil and Jefferson’s irate. Lynn instantly goes to Inspector Henderson to see if the police department can help out.

Khalil’s mom returns from work and opens the door to her home to find Tobias sitting inside. He orders her to reach out to Khalil but she refuses, saying he’d have to kill her first.

Khalil and Jennifer arrive at his aunt’s house, where they find out news reports are saying Khalil kidnapped Jennifer. Khalil’s aunt lets him stay for the night. Khalil is out unpacking the car and Jennifer decides to call her parents to let them know she’s alright.

Jefferson and Anissa hit the streets dressed as their vigilante counterparts trying to get more information. Eventually, the guy at the club spilled the beans on the location they were driving. Jennifer calls Anissa and Gambi instantly starts tracking it. Jennifer tells them she’s alright but hangs up before Gambi’s able to get a location.

Anissa’s upset with Gambi for pretending to be dead. The two argue for a while until Anissa thanks him for helping out during the brief Sange dispute in the woods.

Lynn’s a nervous wreck at home when she starts going through the stuff in Jennifer’s room. She’s frantic and begins throwing things everywhere before Jefferson hears her. She collapses into his husband’s arms in tears.

Jennifer’s cutting Khalil’s hair to help him blend in. While she’s cutting it, she notices a bump on the back of his head and tells him to get it checked out because it might be serious.
Lynn gets to bed and Jefferson goes out to talk to Anissa. The two end up fighting and Anissa blames her father for driving Jennifer away.

The next day, Khalil’s mom goes to speak with Lynn. She tells Lynn about her sister’s house on the outskirts of town and gives her an address, which is then relayed to Jefferson and Anissa.

Tobias is seen hiring a bounty hunter to help track Khalil down.

Khalil and Jennifer are getting ready to leave his aunt’s house when the bounty hunter knocks on the door. The lady introduces herself as Detective Conley. The intruder then starts after Khalil’s aunt Yvette and Khalil rushes out from his hiding spot to fight the bounty hunter. She gets the upper hand and is about to stab Khalil when she’s stopped by Jefferson and Anissa.

Jennifer and Khalil are able to escape into the woods. They’re running when Jennifer has an epiphany and realizes that the lump in Khalil’s head might be a tracker put there by Tobias. Instead of cutting it out, Khalil asks her to shock him in hopes it’d short it. After much hesitation, Jennifer agrees to do it. It appears the work.

The bounty hunter calls Tobias and tell him her plans were foiled by Black Lightning and Thunder.
The episode starts with Jennifer and Khalil still on the lamb. Khalil’s health is deteriorating from his stab wound and Jennifer decides to run off to find him antibiotics.

Lynn’s still distressed at home and she calls her husband, who reveals that Jennifer and Khalil escaped from Khalil’s aunt’s house. They have no leads and the aunt has no idea where they went. Gambi notices that there’s blood on the table and since those three weren’t slashed, they realize it must have come from Khalil or Jennifer. Gambi suggests they stake out local hospitals and clinics to see if either of the runaways seek medical attention.

Lynn can’t stand still at home and goes over to Khalil’s house to speak with his mother. Lynn gets permission to look through Khalil’s belongings hoping to find more information.

We see a scene of a young African-American man losing a research grant because of a racist wards board. He returns to his car outside and has a note on his car to visit Tobias Whale at Club 100 later that night.

As predicted, Jennifer sneaks into a hospital and uses her powers to short-circuit a computer that grants her access to a pharmaceutical supply. On her way out, she nearly runs into Jefferson and Anissa but is able to escape undetected. We do see her, however, being followed by Tobias’ hired assassin out of the hospital.

Later on, Gambi plays back footage from the hospital. Jefferson rushes out of their observation van in an attempt to go out and find his second daughter, but Gambi fights him to stay. After a tussle, Jefferson reluctantly agrees to stay since he doesn’t have a suit.
Jennifer returns to their hideout and Khalil’s health is deteriorating even further. The two begin talking about their past together.

That night the kid shows up to speak with Tobias, and we find out the kid’s name is Todd Greene. Tobias gets a call from his assassin, and she reveals that she was forced to use her poison blades on Khalil. Tobias tells her that she needs him alive.

In their surveillance van, Gambi identifies as Tobias’ assassin as Giselle Cutter, an alleged metahuman with rumored telekinetic powers.

Jennifer begins praying to God to save Khalil and she becomes distraught. She tells him she needs to go outside for some fresh air and once she leaves, she begins to break down in tears. Outside, she enters the dreamscape that Perenna helped her set up. She hears noises out in the woods and those in the dreamscape. She amplifies her powers and realizes that Cutter has located them.

Jennifer begins running away when we see Cutter has found Khalil inside the barn. She’s about to attack Khalil when Jennifer sneaks up behind her and shocks her. Jennifer binds Cutter up and when she wakes up, the youngest Pierce begins to question her. Jennifer realizes that as smart of an assassin that Cutter is, she likely has an antidote on her. After cutting Cutter’s cheek, the assassin reveals that the antidote is hanging on her necklace. Jennifer administers the antidote.

Lynn locates Khalil’s father and tries getting from information from him. He doesn’t know the exact location, but he does know that Khalil had previously gotten a place of his own.

Gambi’s trying to amplify Jefferson’s powers so that he can use them to try locating Jennifer. Jefferson tells Gambi to increase the voltage threshold of his suit to try matching that of Jennifer’s powers. Jefferson picks up a new signature and they race off to see whether or not it’s Jennifer.

Khalil wakes up and Jennifer breaks down in tears, happy that he’s alive. The two hurry out of the barn to run away from Cutter, who’s still knocked out from Jennifer’s interrogation earlier.

Gambi, Jefferson, and Anissa arrive at the barn to find it vacated. Jefferson notices residual electricity in the area where Cutter was tied up and Jefferson and Anissa think that because of that, Jennifer was the one tied up. Jefferson calls Lynn to inform her of the findings.

Tobias offers Greene a job, depositing $100,000 instantly into his account. Greene accepts.

We see Jennifer and Khalil driving away in a car, showing they’re safe.

Elsewhere, we see a man who can teleport kill everyone at the bar. He calls somebody on the phone saying “it’s done” and the person on the other end wants him to come to Freeland.
The episode begins with Khalil and Jennifer arriving at his makeshift apartment. Jefferson calls Lynn and tells her to go to bed, but she refuses — she mentions that the two could be hiding out at Khalil’s. Jefferson warns his wife to stop pursuing leads without any backup. He and Gambi go to check it out.

While waiting for their ramen to cook, Khalil gifts Jennifer a necklace and the two begin getting intimate. It’s apparent that Jennifer is still nervous that she’ll shock Khalil — she begins to cry and tells him she doesn’t want to lose her virginity in a renovated train car. Khalil comforts her and makes sure to mention that he’ll wait.

Gambi narrows the search area down to an approximate two-mile radius. The group decides to split up to begin searching abandoned buildings in the area.

Tobias is sitting down to eat with Todd and Cutter calls, telling her boss that she lost track of Khalil.

While searching warehouses, Jefferson stumbles across two people beating up an apparent homeless man while videotaping it. Jefferson steps in to rescue the man. He uses a hologram of Khalil and Gambi to ask the homeless guy if he’s seen them, to no avail.

Lynn arrives at the area where Khalil’s modified rail car is. She starts calling out Jennifer’s name and the two shut the power off trying to hide. Lynn gives a passionate talk about how their family isn’t a family without her but Jennifer refuses to step out. Jennifer and Khalil begin arguing whether or not to go back home with Jennifer saying that running doesn’t solve any of their problems. Khalil’s argument is that if they go back, Tobias will end up finding him.

After thinking about it, Khalil admits he’s sorry for involving Jennifer in the situation and tells her it’s time for her to go home. Later that night, the group arrives home to find Jennifer returned with Khalil.
Cutter returns to Tobias’ place to obtain the list of Khalil’s three most-visited places. Tobias informs her that she needs to find him otherwise they’ll risk Khalil turning Tobias in for his crimes.  
She soon finds Khalil’s rail car, which has now been abandoned.  
At the Pierce household, Khalil apologizes for getting Jennifer involved in the situation. Lynn accepts his apology and reminds her daughter that she’s in danger if she keeps hanging around Khalil. After Jefferson begins to speak up, Khalil reveals that he knows Jefferson is Black Lightning.  
Jefferson tells the group that he thinks Khalil needs to turn himself into the authorities. Khalil agrees with the situation, saying he’ll probably be more safe in police custody than he would be on the run. Jefferson calls Inspector Henderson to chat about potential options with Khalil and Henderson makes sure to mention that Khalil would have to turn state’s witness if any agency were to give him protective rights.  
Khalil and Jennifer talk about their situation and Khalil reminds her that the only way to keep him safe is to turn him in. He promises to get back out so they can continue their relationship.  
Jefferson takes Khalil to the docks to meet with his mother before he’s handed over to police custody. The two hug and before long, Khalil’s put into the back of a SWAT truck with a police escort. On the way to the precinct, the caravan comes across an overturned car.  
We see that Cutter is laying on the pavement beside the care, hinting she’s staged the accident. One of the SWAT members gets out of the truck to check on her and she slices his throat.  
Most of the SWAT and police officers exit their cars and a standoff ensues. Henderson calls Jefferson to inform them something went wrong with the transport. Once Henderson arrives to the scene, he finds most everyone has been killed and Khalil’s been taken.  
Lynn gets the call and informs Jennifer that Khalil’s been taken from the caravan and she instantly breaks down sobbing.  
Cutter takes Khalil to Tobias. There, Khalil attempts to convince Tobias that Jennifer never had anything to do with their running away. There, Tobias rips out Khalil’s spinal implant. He orders Cutter to dispose of Khalil and she leaves him in front Reverend Holt’s church. Holt and his congregation comes across an immobile Khalil and they start praying for him.  
Todd reveals he’s broken the code in the briefcase they’ve been trying to crack. He calls Tobias down and they uncover the fact that the ASA was trying to develop super metas under Project Masters of Disaster.
The episode starts with Reverend Holt in the middle of a church service. He explains that Khalil is in the hospital fighting the battle of his life.

In the hospital, Jefferson, Lynn, and Jennifer arrive with Khalil's mom and they're all distraught at his condition. Moments later, Khalil wakes and asks for Jefferson's help. He asks for Black Lightning to kill Tobias. When Jefferson refuses to kill Tobias, Khalil offers to give him all of the intel involving Tobias' trade routes and business opportunities but Jefferson refuses to take it, saying the system needs to work his job.

As she's taking a walk in the parking lot, Jennifer's looking at her hair in the reflection of a car. A white woman comes out and accuses of Jennifer of trying to steal it. The lady calls 911 saying an African-American is trying to break into her car and when the accuser isn't looking, Jennifer uses her powers to strike the car with a bolt of lightning, causing it to explode.

Reverend Holt is continuing his sermon when he realizes something is on the cloth that he's been wiping his brow with. He passes out and we see Cutter get up and leave the congregation.

Jefferson notices Jennifer is walking away with her hands on fire. He tracks her down and takes her to a secure location in an attempt to syphon off the fire using his electricity. Perenna arrives because she senses something is wrong and tries to calm Jennifer down. Perenna's able to run through some mediation techniques with Jennifer and her flare up calms down.

Elsewhere, Lynn tries to convince Khalil's doctors to try some experimental ASA methods on his treatment. One of the doctor's is sure to mention that whoever built Khalil's spine has out-of-this-world technology.

Inspector Henderson arrives to tell Jefferson that Holt had a heart attack in the middle of his sermon. Jefferson reminds Henderson that Tobias has been wanting to buy Holt's clinic.
Jefferson reveals that he knows where Tobias lives. Henderson refuses to hear the information unless Jefferson plans to help him out.

Jefferson and Henderson take a visit to Gambi’s shop, where Jefferson shows Henderson the tech setup they have in the basement. Downstairs, Henderson finds out that Gambi isn’t dead after all. Gambi reveals that he ran a toxicity screen on Holt’s body, saying the pastor has been poisoned.

After seeing what they have to work with, Henderson agrees to help the two take down Tobias. Jennifer returns inside and reveals to her mother that she can look into living people and view their electrical synapses. She tells her mother she thinks Khalil is dying, but her mom advises her not to use her powers to help out. Jennifer then mentions that they should put Khalil in one of the pods at the ASA until they’re able to find out what to do.

Anissa’s waiting in the hospital’s waiting room when Grace brings her hamburgers and a drink. The two chat.

Lynn arrives with agents from the ASA and provides the doctor with a note from Khalil’s mother saying they have rights to run tests on Khalil. The doctor puts up a fight at first but after Lynn threatens legal action, they’re let in to run tests to see if Khalil’s compatible with a pod.

Henderson arrives at Tobias’ house to question him about the attack on Khalil. We see that Henderson is wearing a bug on his tie, allowing Jefferson and Gambi to get footage of Tobias’ apartment. Henderson’s able to get footage of Tobias’ safe for Gambi to analyze.

At prison, Tobias’ worker Todd bribes a guard for access to Dr. Jace. He deactivates her ankle device so that she can leave with him. He’s able to use new technology so that a hologram of her reading remains in her cell. Dr. Jace arrives at Tobias’ apartment, where she reveals that she’s the one who developed the anti-aging serum she and Tobias have both taken.

After running the tests, Lynn informs Jennifer that the ASA is unable to save Khalil in a pod because he’s not compatible. Jefferson warns his daughter to go say anything she needs to before it’s too late. Using Perenna’s powers, Jennifer and Khalil are able to enter her mind and go to prom and the two begin dancing.

Before long, Khalil starts coding and he passes away with his mother and the entire Pierce family at his side.
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The Book of Secrets: Chapter Three: Pillar of Fire

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Summary: Tobias activates one of the Masters of Disaster, and sends him and Cutter to bring him the other pods. Napier gets Jeff a chance to get his old job back, and Anissa learns more about Grace’s history.

Agent Odell reveals that Markovia has been working on creating an army made of metahumans and that’s why he’s been keeping an eye on Lynn — he’s discovered intel that they’re trying to capture her for her expertise. Because the Markovians know where the pods are kept, Odell insists they move the pods with Lynn still objecting to the move.

It’s revealed Tobias has been storing the frozen bodies of metahumans in an effort to build an army of his own. He’s alerted to the ASA moving the pods and grows upset, thinking that the move will affect the connection to the briefcase he’s using on his own metas. Tobias wakes Marcus, one of his metas, ordering him and Cutter to stop the ASA from moving the pods.

Once Marcus and Cutter arrive at the ASA, Doctor Jace locks Lynn in a room so that she’s unable to thwart the attackers. She’s able to get a call out to Jefferson, who arrives at the ASA with Annisa. Cutter and Marcus are able to escape with the pods before Jefferson and Annisa arrive.

Anissa goes back to Grace’s apartment to go through her belongings left behind. She finds a pill on the floor and takes it to Gambi to analyze. While she’s waiting for Gambi to finish, she has a heart to heart with Jennifer at the family cabin. As they’re talking about Grace, Anissa receives and text and leaves, but warns her sister not to go anywhere.

Gambi informs Anissa that “Grace Choi” doesn’t exist and it was a name she took up after escaping from a child trafficking ring. Gambi says the pill was a custom compound used to treat schizophrenia.

Not listening to Anissa, Jennifer leaves the cabin to track down some of Tobias’ hired guns and begins torturing one of them for the location of their boss. She’s duped into going to the primary hideout of The 100, where she’s cornered by a dozen or so gang members. Before long, Anissa shows up to save Jennifer.

At school, it’s revealed that the videos of Lowry yelling at the kids at the stand-in have gone viral. A member of the school board talks to Jefferson and tells him that he might be getting
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The Pierce family has gathered for dinner and they talk about joining together as a team, and Jefferson lays down a set of rules that both Jennifer and Anissa agree to.

Gambi and Jefferson set to work on training Jennifer and pieces of her new suit. As Gambi’s going through tests, Jefferson gets sentimental about Jennifer growing up. The two go grab a bite to eat and Jennifer tries to convince her father to bend his last rule in which they’re not supposed to kill people because she wants to murder Tobias.

Anissa vents about Grace to Gambi, telling him about her troubles with the presumed shapeshifter. Gambi mentions that if Grace loves Anissa as much as she thought, she’ll return eventually. After speaking with Jennifer about her situation, Anissa has an epiphany and realizes that the shapeshifter is Grace.

Lynn convinces Jennifer to speak with Wendy about getting used to her powers, but Odell catches it through their surveillance system and tells Lynn he wants to train her himself. Eventually, Lynn’s able to get her superior to change his mind.

Tobias wakes up three metahumans: Coldsnap, Heatstroke, and Newwave. Dr. Jace tells her new employer that it will be another week or two until the rest of the pod kids can be woken. Tobias tries getting Coldsnap and Heatstroke to train against each other but the former refuses and Cutter slices him across the throat. Tobias releases Heatstroke on the city and he ends up burning a group of people at a local campaign rally to death.
Jefferson and Anissa arrive and start fighting the new villain and Jace orders him to retreat. Lala tries to find Tobias and kill him, but he’s interrupted by Cutter. The two fight but Cutter is able to escape with Tobias and Jace.

As the group exits their hiding spot, Jennifer arrives to try taking them down, but her powers overtake her body, knocking herself out.

Other tidbits from the episode: Tobias is planning on training the pod metas and selling them to the highest bidders.

Odell continues his surveillance of the Pierce family.
The Book of the Apocalypse: Chapter Two: The Omega

Season 2
Episode Number: 29
Season Episode: 16

Originally aired: Monday March 18, 2019
Writer: Charles D. Holland
Director: Salim Akil
Show Stars: Cress Williams (Jefferson Pierce / Black Lightning), Nafessa Williams (Anissa Pierce), China McClai (Jennifer Pierce), Christine Adams (Lynn Pierce), James Remar (Peter Gambi), Damon Gupton (Bill Henderson), Marvin Jones III (Tobias Whale)

Guest Stars: Bill Duke (Agent Percy Odell), William Catlett (Lala), Clifton Powell (Reverend Jeremiah Holt), Erika Alexander (Perenna), Kearran Giovanni (Giselle Cutter), Hosea Chanchez (Marcus Bishop), Tosin Morohunfola (Instant), Jennifer Riker (Dr. Helga Jace), Myles Truitt (Issa Williams), Brooke Ence (Rebecca Jones), Derrick Lewis (Darryl Robinson), Madison Bailey (Wendy), Esteban Cueto (Joe), Derek Russo (Guard Captain)

Production Code: T43.10066
Summary: Black Lightning and Thunder take on the Masters of Disaster, while Peter and Jennifer try to restore the city’s power during the riots that break out after Cape Guy’s death. Tobias and Cutter have a disagreement, and Odell makes his move.

We pick right back up from last week with Jennifer writhing in pain in the middle of the street. Gambi’s by her side ready to absorb some of that energy, when Lala starts to shoot at them. This dude has made the quickest face turn I’ve ever seen, but I’m 100% here for anyone trying to take out Tobias, tbh. Jennifer starts to go to her safe space, but Perenna screams at her to leave because she know Jen can get control all on her own. And she does! But not before Gambi gets knocked out by radiation. Black Lightning and Thunder show up to help.

Tobias and Cutter really go through it in this episode. The first time we see them, Cutter is going at Tobias over his lack of planning. Cutter is one of the very few people who gives Tobias exactly what he dishes out with no repercussions. Tobias has had it with Black Lightning eluding various murder attempts, so he decides to just strip him from his powers. Not only that, but he plans to take advantage of impending riots to cause even more chaos with his metas. Why riots, you ask? Well you see, the police officer who shot Cape Guy had no charges brought against him for the shooting. Another unfortunate case of art imitating life.

While Black Lightning heads down to Tobias’s warehouse, Anissa and Jennifer bring Gambi down to Shuri’s Clinic for Well-Meaning White Men. Just kidding, they bring him down to the Lightning Lair, but all I could think about during this scene was Shuri sassing about needing to fix soooo many white boys. While the sisters figure out what to do about their Uncle, Jennifer

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cracks on Anissa for being such an overachiever that she has to be two superheroes instead of one! Jen tells her sister though, that she’s down to roll with Anissa anytime, whether it be Thunder or Black Bird.

Lynn’s finally made it to the warehouse, but she and Jeff are greeted by Dr. Jace brandishing a gun. Our girl Lynn does not just sit back. No ma’am. She finally gets her chance to pummel Jace and all we and Jeff can do is sit back and watch in awe. Ever the negotiator, Jace requests police protection in exchange for information Lynn and Black Lightning both need. They acquiesce.

As Jace is being taken in, the power in Freeland goes out. The whole town. All of the town. Luckily, Gambi has a generator down in the Lair, but unfortunately no power grid means Black Lightning’s battery is low, just so you know, he’s going to a place nearby, gotta go. Gambi decides to go try and get the power back on, and Jennifer isn’t about to sit around so she promises to keep her emotions under control and joins Gambi.

Back at Freeland PD, Jace is hanging out in her cells when she hears gunshots. It’s none other than Xavier Dolls’s doppelganger here to... save the day? Kidnap Jace? He’s a bounty hunter who can teleport, and he teleports the two of them right to his employers— the Markovians.

Meanwhile, Tobias’s metas manage to take down a group of soldiers stationed in the city before Black Lightning and Thunder show up. A fight ensues and listen, I know Jeff’s battery is low, but he sure gets a helluva lot of fighting in before his power finally empties. Lala eventually joins the fight and shoots one of the metas before telling Black Lightning he has no more beef with him; he just wants to kill Tobias.

Jennifer and Gambi make it to the city’s main generator and discover it’s been frozen by one of the metas. Jen uses her powers to strategically crack the ice and help get the generator running again. I’ve had so much fun watching Jennifer go through the emotional and physical journey of embracing her powers. She’s gone from wanting nothing more than to get rid of what she deemed a burden, to gaining control over her powers and even giving herself compliments for succeeding. It’s made my heart so happy.

Someone who isn’t super happy though, is Tobias. He realizes the power is back and he panics. He threatens to release the pods, but Cutter has had enough. No sooner does she scream at him does Tobias have her in the air by the throat. She gets out of the hold and drops into a stance ready to cut him. She doesn’t do it, but she does leave him. I really felt for her in this moment, not just because I want to wife her, but because despite everything, here was a man she loves, becoming erratic and losing sight of reality. She may have walked away, but her eyes showed just how much pain that decision caused her.

Back at the warehouse, Lynn was getting ready to administer injections to the pods, but she was unable to do so before Tobias’s signal went through and released all of the Pod Kids. When Jeff and Anissa get to the warehouse, Lynn warns them not to go near the Pod Kids because “they aren’t fully awake and could be erratic” and honestly... same. Lynn was able to use information that Jace gave them to trace the signal from the laptop to hopefully find Tobias. Jen and Gambi get the location and Jen flies there.

Tobias is talking to Tori’s painting again when Lala shows up ready to kill. He shoots at Tobias but it doesn’t take. Tobias tries to use his trusty control phrase to get Lala to stand down, but that doesn’t work. It’s not until Tobias utters a Latin phrase that translates to “from many, one”, that Latavius finally loses control. Even though Lazarus Prime brought Lala back to life, Tobias has been in control the entire time. And now, he’s brought out tattoos of every person whose death Lala has directly or indirectly been responsible for. All at once. Burned into Lala’s skin.

Tobias doesn’t get to enjoy this victory too long thought because Jennifer aka Lightning comes crashing through his window! Not long after, Black Lightning joins and refuses to let his daughter become a cold-blooded murderer. Together, the two manage to subdue Tobias and knock him unconscious. Tobias has been captured and taken to a facility known as The Pit. His powers have been nullified thanks to a super fashionable collar, and only time will tell if and how he gets out of this one.

It’s Pierce Family Dinner Time. Jennifer says she’s proud of Lynn, Anissa cracks on Jeff’s cobbler recipe, it’s almost normal again. But then Jeff breaks down. These are tears of joy though, not sadness. He’s so happy his family is all together and safe because he’s always worrying. Always. Before the Pierces can cheer up Jeff and get their dance on, they receive an unexpected visitor in the form of Agent Odell. Odell wastes no time telling them he knows exactly who and what they are, and that because of the large concentration of metas in Freeland, they will likely...
be the Markovians’ next target. War is coming to Freeland.
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0101 (Officer 1)
Ralph Wilcox .......................................... 1
0202 (Marsellus)
Jonathan Williams (VI) ............................. 1
0109 (Chemist)
Thom Williams ........................................ 1
0203 (Copp #1)
Kelvin Witherspoon ................................... 1
0122 (Reyvon)
Shimone Woodberry ................................... 1
0108 (Citizen #2)
Jimmy Woods .......................................... 2
0101 (Youngster 1); 0102 (Youngster 1)

Y
Joseph Steven Yang .................................... 1
0214 (Old Man)
Robert Yatta ........................................... 1
0212 (Funeral Director Wallace)

Z
Keil Oakley Zepernick ................................ 2
0201 (Hipster Gang Member); 0205 (Caucasian Guy)