

## **JOSEPH JACKET MULTI-MASK (DRAFT 1.7)**

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### SONGS

1. Pandemic (Wash Your Bloody Hands)
2. One More Swim
3. It's Not Ready Yet
4. Butterfly Shot
5. One More Swim (Reprise)

### SCENES/SETTING

Prologue - Press Conference/The Nursing Home Upstairs  
Scene 1 - The Nursing Home Upstairs  
Scene 2 - The Lab Downstairs  
Scene 3 - Recovery Room, Fourteen Days Later  
Epilogue

### CHARACTERS (in order of appearance, sort of)

DR. DANI OSMOND  
NURSE RAY/YOUNG JOE  
NURSE JESSICA  
OLD JOE  
BENJAMIN/NURSE AARON  
JUDAH/JACOB/NURSE JAKE

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DRAFT

**PROLOGUE (Press Conference/The Nursing Home Upstairs)**

*DR. DANI OSMOND enters. She's at a press conference.  
NURSES watch her on TV.*

DANI Hello. I'm Doctor Dani Osmond.

I'm the health-doctor-officer of this land. I will be your EmCee for this evening. It's a twenty minute piece. Not longer.

This is the story about true. About Joseph. *(singing)* "Some folks dream.." but we don't use those lyrics. Put a pen in it. *(She puts a finger to her mouth.)*

No smoking. No phones, no pagers, or nothing. If you have a sniffy nose or cough, please leave. We don't need that. Buy your tickets and bring your mask and your gloves. To everyone watching from home--people at home can do whatever you want.

Now, I will introduce to you: Joseph Jacket Multi-Mask.

*The music starts. Nurses: Ray and Jessica are at work -- the nursing home. Other nurses around, busy. Dani says:*

This is the nursing home, upstairs. These are the nurses. Scene One.

**SCENE 1 - The Nursing Home Upstairs**

RAY *(to himself)* PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC, WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS  
TAKE YOUR MEDICATION AND WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS  
FIX UP YOUR MASK!  
PICK IT UP, PICK IT UP, PICK IT UP  
PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC, WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS

*Jessica surprises him-*

JESSICA Hands can get bloody if you don't wash your hands. Gotta sanitize that! And wear your gloves when you pick the can up.

RAY What if someone tries to hug you?

JESSICA Stay in your bubbles! Can't hug. If somebody's eating.. germs. "You want some?" They go, "No."

DANI WE ARE ONE, WE ARE ONE  
AND WE'RE FACING THE TREES ALL BLOODY

RAY/JESS WE ARE ONE, WE ARE ONE

DANI/RAY/JESS WE NEED A PRESSURE WASHER  
FILLED WITH WATER

ALL TO RINSE ALL THE TREES WITH THE  
RINSE ALL THE TREES WITH THE SUNSHINE DRY  
THE SUNSHINE!

*Music gets busier, complex. Front line workers choreography.  
Jessica sings a descant.*

PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC  
WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS (WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS)  
TAKE YOUR MEDICATION AND WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS  
FIX UP YOUR MASK!  
PICK IT UP, PICK IT UP (FIX YOUR MASK)  
PICK IT UP (AND WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS)  
PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC  
WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS (WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS)

DANI We will win to get to the bottom of this. Work till work is done.

RAY We're tired.

NURSE JAKE We should go home.

NURSE AARON Get some rest.

DANI Hundred percent bad right now but it will get better. It takes time to  
sanitize the medicine.

JESSICA We can't keep going on like this.

RAY Where's the vaccine?

DANI *(grouchy)* I'm your boss. I don't want to talk about it. Just sing the  
bloody song!

ALL WE ARE ONE, WE ARE ONE  
AND WE'RE FACING THE TREES ALL BLOODY  
WE ARE ONE (STAY HEALTHY, STAY HEALTHY)  
WE ARE ONE (LOOK AFTER EVERYBODY)  
WE NEED A PRESSURE WASHER

DANI The hose!

ALL FILLED WITH WATER

DANI Water!

ALL TO RINSE ALL THE TREES WITH THE SUNSHINE  
RINSE ALL THE TREES WITH THE SUNSHINE DRY  
THE SUNSHINE!

*NURSES go about their business.  
JESSICA is a little bit scared.*

JESSICA *(to herself)* PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC, WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS

RAY WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS...

JESSICA TAKE YOUR MEDICATION AND  
AND WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS  
FIX UP YOUR MASK!  
PICK IT UP, PICK IT UP, PICK IT UP  
PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC, WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS

RAY WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS...

*DANI enters the nursing home in her mask.*

DANI *(to JESSICA)* Nurse? I'm here to see Joseph.

JESSICA Joseph? Don't bother with him. He will not see nobody right now.

DANI Well that's kind of...disrespectful.

JESSICA Trust me you're wasting time here. I suggest you go home, come back  
some other time. Leave your business card and make an  
appointment.

DANI That's kind of rude to say.

JESSICA He needs to rest, go away.

DANI If you treat people that way, you'll get fired.

JESSICA I'm ready to punch you!

DANI If you punch me, you get slapped!

JESSICA It's six feet, we can't touch!

*They fight the air from their spots.*

DANI *(breaking it up)* I'm your boss! I'm the health-doctor-officer.

JESSICA                    No you're not.

DANI                        *(she takes off her mask)* Yes I am!

JESSICA                    Yes, ma'am....I'm sorry I say those words to you, ma'am.

DANI                        It's okay. Pandemic can get stress....

JESSICA                    He's sleeping right now...He's not well. If we don't make him better, he can die. Boy, I hate to see that. You better not touch him. Six feet away.

DANI                        I always wear a mask, nurse, I'm wearing gloves everyday. And our job to make him better.

RAY                         With the vaccine...?

DANI                        Vaccine makes people grouchy. If I talk to him...the Pandemic might be over.

RAY                         It's not gonna be over and you know it.

*OLD JOE enters.*

OLD JOE                    Dr. Dani. Nurse. Stop fighting over me.

RAY                         Joseph, what are you doing outside of your room?

OLD JOE                    Shut up, it's not your damn business.

RAY                         Is that a way to talk to your nurse?

OLD JOE                    Oh yes it is.

JESSICA                    *(to DANI)* Good luck... you're gonna need it...

*NURSES go about their business.*

DANI                        Joseph...? Is it really you...?

*JOSEPH farts loudly.*

Joseph!

*JOSEPH farts again.*

I'm not here for farting!

*JOSEPH farts again.*

You're not listening. I had a dream. I need to know what it means.

OLD JOE I don't do that no more. I'm too old.

DANI I'm Dani Osmond. I'm the health care doctor of --

OLD JOE *(using his hand as a puppet)*  
Yeah..sure..health-care-doctor..Pathetic! Go home. Nurse! This doctor's grabbing me!

DANI Oh stop.

OLD JOE No you stop.

DANI Are you really Joseph? Incredible dreamer? *(singing)* "I close my--"

OLD JOE Put a pen in it! *(He mimes putting a pen between his teeth.)* No stealing.  
I used to be a dreamer...I'm about 13 years old in the beginning...  
I know everything until I'm about 61...Now, dreams hurt my head. So be careful what you say to a senior, health care worker!

DANI You're the only one who can help me.

OLD JOE Why you need help for?

DANI The pandemic.

OLD JOE The pandemic can shove it up your tree! All that pandemic around me is bugging me. I want to leave this nursing home! I trying to escape, but that nurse will not let me. They say if I want to escape, the nurses: they will get me and put me to sleep.

DANI Joseph, we could end the pandemic if you help me with my dream.

OLD JOE What's a dream? I had a dream. Well I got a little dream last night it's kind of like...

*The ensemble acts out what's in Joe's brain.*

NURSE AARON *Maybe he was dreaming about his brothers. What they did to him.*

OLD JOE I'm happy because I'm alive..

NURSE AARON *(guilty)* I want Joseph get out in that pit...

OLD JOE                   The eleventh one is Joseph.

NURSE RAY               *Joseph is a dreamer, he gets the multi mask*

NURSE JESSICA         *Scissors*

NURSE AARON          *The brothers cut the mask*

NURSE JESSICA         *Dip in the blood,*

NURSE AARON          *the brothers think he died!*

OLD JOE                   Joseph is innocent but his brothers are not.

DANI                      Some of them can be mean...You gotta hate them once in a while, but not all the time.

OLD JOE                   You're a good influence in me...

                              I'm kind of...missing my dad.

*NURSE JAKE becomes JACOB, Old Joe's father.*  
*NURSE RAY becomes YOUNG JOE-- a younger version of Old Joe.*

JACOB                    *(to Young Joe) Joseph, Come.*

OLD JOE                   He gave me the multimask.

JACOB                    *I brought something really special.*

OLD JOE                   He's a loving father.

JACOB                    *You can be my favourite one.*

OLD JOE                   We used to swim in the river. The *N - I - E - L*.

*Music.*

                              To me everytime the river is flowing it's telling me to relax and not to suffer...Me, my dad, my brothers are standing next to each other, around me like a star...My father likes to hang out with us for one hour or more.

JACOB                    *(to Young Joe) You can be my favourite one.*

OLD JOE                   He wants to play with us.



YOUNG/OLD JOE    Look after us.

*A younger version of Joseph sings.*

YOUNG JOE            THE TREES ARE BREEZY  
                              WATER FLOWS OF MY HEART  
                              BUT THE WIND IS DYING, NO TIME TO SWIM  
                              ALL THE BROTHERS ARE GOING HOME  
                              THEY'RE GETTING ON THEIR CAMELS  
                              BUT I DON'T WANNA GO  
                              CAN WE STAY BRO?  
                              CAN WE STAY BRO?

JACOB/BEN/JESS    *(to the audience)* LEVI, SIMON,  
                              RUBEN IS THE FIRST BORN (OF JACOB)  
                              OF JACOB OF THE SONS (OF JACOB)  
                              JOSEPH IS THE SECOND YOUNGEST (NEXT TO BENJAMIN)  
                              THEY RIPPED HIS MULTI-MASK (JOSEPH HAD A  
                              MULTI-COLOURED MASK)  
                              THEY PUT SOME BLOOD IN IT  
                              THREW HIM IN A PIT (HE WAS THE FAVOURITE OF JACOB)  
                              THEY WERE JEALOUS  
                              THEY WERE JEALOUS

OLD JOE                HE WAS THE FAVOURITE

ALL                     BUT IN THE BEGINNING THEY WERE HAPPY TO SEE HIM

YOUNG JOE            I WANT TO GO FOR A WALK  
                              GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER  
                              I WANNA STAY FOR ONE MORE SWIM IN THE --

ALL ELSE              N - I - E - L...

BOTH JOES            I WANT TO GO FOR A WALK  
                              GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER  
                              I WANNA STAY FOR

ALL                     ONE MORE SWIM

OLD JOE                I'M ALL ALONE IN THIS NURSING HOME  
                              THERE'S NOTHING TO DO  
                              EXCEPT FOR PLAYING

ALL                     CARDS WITH THE HEALTH CARE WORKERS

OLD JOE                SOMETIMES I TAKE MYSELF TO THE BATHTUB

WASH MY HAIR AND I LET IT FLOW  
IT REMINDS ME...  
IT REMINDS ME...

OTHERS MM...MM...

DANI Why don't you come to the lab and see your brothers? Judah and Benjamin are working on the vaccine.

OLD JOE No.

DANI They'd be happy to see you.

OLD JOE No. Forget it.

DANI Well, if we end this pandemic, you could go to the river!

OTHERS *(Softly)* PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC..  
WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS (WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS)

OLD JOE My health is not quite healthy enough to make it there.

DANI Joseph, I promise, we'll work as fast as we can.

OLD JOE I need it really fast...God wants me to rest in peace....

OTHERS PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC, TAKE YOUR MEDICATION!

DANI YOU'RE GONNA GO FOR A WALK  
GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER  
YOU'RE GONNA GO FOR ONE MORE SWIM IN THE

ALL ELSE N - I - E - L

BOTH JOES I WANT TO GO FOR A WALK (N - I - E - L)

DANI I'LL HELP YOU GO FOR A WALK

BOTH JOES GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER (N - I - E - L)

DANI PUSH YOUR WHEELCHAIR IN FOR

BOTH JOES I WANNA STAY FOR

ALL ONE MORE SWIM!

*The mood changes. Perhaps we are at the river now?*

ALL *(hushed)* N - I - E - L

DANI So this your last chance to remember your family.

ALL *(hushed)* N - I - E - L

DANI Make it your shape. Make it your shape of the star.

*YOUNG JOE sees OLD JOE. Sings to him:*

YOUNG JOE JOSEPH, LET YOUR WATER FLOW  
LET HER HELP YOU  
DON'T BE THE OLD MAN  
DON'T BE THE OLD MAN  
BE THE DREAMER!  
THE DREAMER!

*Everyone is looking at the two JOES.*

ALL JOSEPH, LET YOUR WATER FLOW

OLD JOE I DON'T DREAM NO MORE

BROTHER LET HER HELP YOU

YOUNG JOSEPH DON'T BE THE OLD MAN!

ALL DON'T BE THE OLD MAN!

OLD JOE I'M NOT AN OLD MAN!

ALL JOSEPH YOU'RE (I'M) THE DREAMER! THE DREAMER!

OLD JOE ONE MORE DREAM!

ALL ONE MORE DREAM!

OLD JOE ONE MORE DREAM

ALL *(Les Mis)* ONE DREAM MO--

DANI Hey! Put a pen in it! No stealing.

*Pause.*

OLD JOE Alright tell me what your dream is. But keep it brief.

*Underscoring.*

DANI I dreamt that a bouquet of flowers came to my door. And I gave them away. One each to my neighbors. And it made everybody sing. *La la la*. Even the flowers were singing. What does it mean?

*The ensemble acts out what's in Joe's brain.*

THOUGHTS *They love you.  
Flowers--  
they love.  
If you take away the flowers  
that's your own problems...  
I can be allergic to the flowers...?  
When you sneeze more, then you're allergic to pandemic...  
Don't eat it...  
The person that gave you flowers they sneezed on the flowers...  
I don't know what to say im scratching my scalp  
It's medicine, it's medicine  
Makes you feel good to take it  
You can believe, you can believe  
Come on, you can do it baby, i know you can*

*Joe's got it! Underscoring out.*

OLD JOE Guess what. You're gonna love this. Flower--if you have a flower and vaccine together..really strong vaccine. With the rose...no no...not the rose...Echinacea.

DANI Echinacea?

OLD JOE Judah forgot the secret ingredient. Echinacea.

DANI Echinacea goes in the vaccine? Yes! Of course! Joseph, you did it!

OLD JOE What I did?

DANI We can finish the vaccine! We're gonna end the pandemic now!

OLD JOE Who am I talking to?

*The NURSES become fragmented thoughts and memories.  
Tense underscoring.*

JESSICA *he sacrifice on your own dream*

JACOB *You must not go there*

OLD JOE                    *(pain)* My head...

DANI                        Are you okay?

OLD JOE                    I don't think so.

NURSE AARON            *(simultaneous)* Dani Osmond's no part of you

YOUNG JOE                *(simultaneous)* Everybody goes to the nursing home

JACOB                      *(simultaneous)* seeyoulateraligator.ca

OLD JOE                    My head is hurting...

DANI                        Nurse!

*Underscoring out.*

JESSICA                    What happened?

OLD JOE                    I don't feel well...

JESSICA                    No more dreams for god's sakes!

OLD JOE                    Let me rest, if I rest I can think.

JESSICA                    I'm gonna give you a shot Joseph, it's gonna put you to sleep.

DANI                        Is he okay?

JESSICA                    Don't just stand there! Go! Solve this pandemic by yourself.

*Everyone scatters. JESSICA takes OLD JOE away. Transition.*

## **SCENE 2 - The Lab Downstairs**

*Old Joe's brothers, Judah and Benjamin, are at the lab working on the vaccine like Mad Scientists.*

BENJAMIN                PUT IN THE TEA...

JUDAH                     PUT IN THE TEA...

BENJAMIN                CRUSH THE FLOWER...

JUDAH                     CRUSH THE FLOWER...

BENJAMIN                ALCOHOL STAYS OVERNIGHT

JUDAH                    Overnight? What for, Benjamin?

BENJAMIN                IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE  
IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE FOR COVID-19  
IT'S NOT READY YET

JUDAH                    *(softly)* JINGLE BELLS..JINGLE BELLS..

BENJAMIN                Judah, focus!

JUDAH                    Focus pocus.

BENJAMIN                THERE'S MORE INGREDIENTS

JUDAH                    MORE, MORE INGREDIENTS

BENJAMIN                BREAK THE CAPSULE

JUDAH                    BREAK THE CAPSULE

BOTH                     EVERYTHING IN!

BENJAMIN                Don't put the chicken in there!

JUDAH                    Too late...

BOTH                     IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE  
IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE FOR COVID 19  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY YET  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY YET  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY YET  
IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE

JUDAH                    Oh come on, it's been in the fridge too long. What are we waiting for?

BENJAMIN                It's not safe.

*DANI enters.*

DANI                     Judah! Benjamin!

BENJAMIN                Oh my god it's Doctor Dani Osmond!

JUDAH                    *(flirty)* Hey hot stuff, what's up with you?

BENJAMIN                Judah, get a grip on yourself!

DANI Don't flirt with me Judah...

JUDAH Fine, Osmond.

DANI Mrs. Dr. Osmond to you!

JUDAH Okay fine--I'll be focus-pocus. What are you doing here, Mrs. Dr. Osmond-to-you?

DANI Read what's on the box:

JUDAH/BEN *(Reading)* ECHINACEA

DANI Joseph found out the secret ingredient!

ALL ECHINACEA

DANI Put it in the vaccine!

JUDAH *(sarcastic)* Oh yes we get on that...

DANI Do it now, Judah! Or you're fired.

JUDAH Right away, maam!

OLD JOE POWDER, POWDER  
REALLY POWERFUL POWDER  
THAT'S THE SECRET ZONE  
BIG BOTTLE OF

BEN/JUDAH ECHINACEA

OLD JOE BOTTLE, BOTTLE, BOTTLE

JUDAH EAT YOUR BOTTLE

BEN DON'T DRINK IT!

DANI PUT IT IN!  
HURRY JUDAH, BENJAMIN! LET'S GET THESE NEEDLES IN

BEN/JUDAH WE TRYING TO DO OUR BEST, DO OUR BEST, DANI OSMOND

DANI OKAY, GET TO WORK, THERE'S NO BREAKS  
COFFEE, COFFEE, COFFEE

*Suddenly OLD JOE appears with the NURSES.*

*He's dreaming.*

OLD JOE (to audience) AND JESSICA THE NURSE SAID

JOE/JESS "YAY, YOU DID IT! YOU'RE SWIMMING!"

*Bold text refers to doubling from Jessica.*

OLD JOE I GO TO THE RIVER  
SAW **JOSEPH** SWIMMING BY **HIMSELF**  
WITH NOBODY HELP, **NOBODY HELP**  
WITH THE CAMEL AT THE **N-I-E-L**

OTHERS OOH

OLD JOE AND YOU CAN SEE WHAT'S GOING ON EVERY SINGLE DAY  
EVERYTIME YOU SLEEP IT CHARGES UP YOUR BRAIN

ALL IT CHARGES UP YOUR BRAIN

OLD JOE AND YOU CAN SEE WHAT'S GOING ON EVERY SINGLE DAY

ALL EVERYTIME YOU SLEEP IT CHARGES UP YOUR BRAIN

OLD JOE AND YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN!

BEN/JUDAH IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE

NURSES PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC  
WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS (WASH YOUR BLOODY HANDS)

DANI Faster Judah! Faster, Benjamin!

OLD JOE NO, YOU CAN'T EXPLAIN!

BEN/JUDAH IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE FOR

NURSES PANDEMIC, PANDEMIC

ALL COVID-19!  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY YET  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY YET  
IT'S NOT READY YET, IT'S NOT READY...

JUDAH/BEN IT TAKES TIME TO MAKE A VACCINE!

*Joe and nurses are gone.*



DANI Mad scientists! Both of them!

JUDAH Okay, Dr. Impatient...

DANI What's next? Where's the needles?

JUDAH It's not ready to put in shots yet. It needs testing.

DANI I believe in Joseph.

*Pause.*

How come you never visit Joseph in the nursing home?

BENJAMIN We are feel bad.

JUDAH What we did to Old Joe.

DANI I think he will forgive you. It's been so long.

JUDAH You could be right, Danl.

*Pause. Dani makes a move for the needle.*

What are you doing?!

DANI I want to inject myself.

BENJAMIN No, that's gonna be dangerous

JUDAH Mark my words it's not gonna work.

DANI Someone needs to test it. Just give me the shots!

JUDAH You will not take it. *BAD* Dr. Dani. I'm gonna put it in the garbage.  
You will not touch that needle.

*Struggle over the needle. Judah gets it.*

Leave that alone! If you take it, you could die!

DANI What about the nurses?

JUDAH What do you mean about nurses?

DANI They're tired. So many people are ill right now. I want to help.

*Pause. Benjamin looks at Judah.*

BENJAMIN Vaccine is medicine. You can't take it by yourself.

*BENJAMIN gives DANI the vaccine.*

*Somewhere else, JESSICA and RAY are exhausted.*

JESSICA BIG BLUE RUBBER BAND  
NEEDLE GOES SLIGHTLY IN  
IT'S A BUTTERFLY SHOT  
DON'T TOUCH IT WHEN IT'S  
THEN IT'S  
AFTER THE NEEDLE'S OUT  
PRESS ON IT, SIT THERE FOR A MINUTE  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
AND THEN YOU PUT A BAND AID ON

*Dani feels unwell.*

BENJAMIN Are you ok?

DANI I just need to sit down.

JUDAH Oh my god...Jesus murphy...you should have listened to me.

DANI *(faintly)* I want to give Joseph...

JUDAH What?

DANI I give to you to give Joseph...

BENJAMIN You need rest.

*The nurses take over.*

JESSICA & RAY BIG BLUE RUBBER BAND  
NEEDLE GOES SLIGHTLY IN  
IT'S A BUTTERFLY SHOT  
DON'T TOUCH IT WHEN IT'S  
THEN IT'S  
AFTER THE NEEDLE'S OUT  
PRESS ON IT, SIT THERE FOR A MINUTE  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
AND THEN YOU PUT A BAND AID ON

*The others join in, become nurses.*

ALL                    WHEN WE GO HOME WE TAKE A BATH  
RELAX, RELAX  
TURN ON TV AND EAT DINNER  
THAT'S WHEN WE REMEMBER  
WE'RE WATCHING A WESTERN CALLED, "BONANZA"  
GO TO BED

*JESSICA and OLD JOE at the nursing home.  
This is in reality. He is not doing well.*

JESSICA              How are you feeling today, Joseph?

*Beat.*

It's me, Nurse Jessica. I know you're not well, but come with me in the walker. We'll go to the bathroom and wash your face.

OLD JOE              Yes, nurse. And can you feed me? I can't use my arms.

JESSICA              Let me help you.

OLD JOE              Such a beautiful day, today nurse.

JESSICA              BIG BLUE RUBBER BAND  
NEEDLE GOES SLIGHTLY IN  
IT'S A BUTTERFLY SHOT  
DON'T TOUCH IT WHEN IT'S  
THEN IT'S  
AFTER THE NEEDLE'S OUT  
PRESS ON IT, SIT THERE FOR A MINUTE  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
YOU MIGHT GO DIZZY  
AND THEN YOU PUT A BANDAID ON

*JESSICA helps OLD JOE to his room.*

### **SCENE 3 - Recovery room, fourteen days later**

*JUDAH and BENJAMIN see DANI in the recovery room.*

JUDAH                Dr. Dani! You're awake!

BENJAMIN           How do you feel?

DANI                 Much better. How long has it been?

JUDAH                Fourteen days.

DANI I was in bed for... Is that stuff working? The vaccine? What happened, Benjamin? Did we do it? Did it work?

BENJAMIN I think it did.

DANI He did it! Joseph did it! Incredible dreamer! Where is he? I need to see him!

*Pause.*

I don't understand. Where is Joseph?

JUDAH Joseph are gone...  
We were upset, we were sad.

DANI I promised...

JUDAH He died because of the old age.

DANI There's something I wanted him to have. It's a multi-mask.  
Remember? I fixed it up.

*They see the multi coloured mask.*

BENJAMIN I have a dream once, with my brother. Joe. Young Joe, not Old Joe.  
We were at N - I - E - L. We were swimming. He was a really nice guy  
after all the others being mean to him. I know what this means. It  
means I don't hate Joe. I believe in him. So that's what my dream  
says. I cannot be Joseph, but I am Benjamin-dreamer.

JUDAH We're his family.

## **EPILOGUE**

*Music. Young and Old Joe are together.*

YOUNG JOE Joseph. Let's go.

OLD JOE How old are you, my boy?

YOUNG JOE I'm fourteen.

OLD JOE I remember I was a fourteen. The dreams I used to dream about a lot.  
Right now I can't do any dreaming. All I dream about is the future.

YOUNG JOE Let's go.

OLD JOE I feel a bit sad. It's such a beautiful day outside.

YOUNG JOE Don't be scared.  
OLD JOE I can't do it right now. Please, young Joe.  
YOUNG JOE I'm scared too but everybody has to go.  
OLD JOE I miss my dad. I wish dad be alive. I wish I can hear his voice.

*The voice of Joseph's father, Jacob, can be heard.*

JACOB JOSEPH....LET YOUR WATER FLOW...  
YOUNG/OLD JOE Dad?  
JACOB Get up my son. You can be my favorite one.  
ALL JOSEPH, LET YOUR WATER FLOW  
JACOB I'm here. On the other side of the N - I - E - L.  
YOUNG JOE WE'RE GONNA GO FOR A WALK  
GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER  
WE'RE GONNA GO FOR ONE MORE SWIM IN THE  
ALL N - I - E - L  
YOUNG JOE WE'RE GONNA GO FOR A WALK  
JACOB WE'RE GONNA GO FOR A WALK  
YOUNG JOE/JACOB GO FOR A WALK IN THE WATER...  
WE'RE GONNA GO FOR  
ALL ONE MORE SWIM  
OLD JOE *(softly)* ONE MORE SWIM...

*Music ends.*

*Dani at a press conference:*

DANI This is the story about true. About Joseph. What he did. At the nursing home. Wonderful things we did with him. He loves walking. He loves swimming with his brothers. And I wish I was there--I was happy to see him swim.

*She crosses her arms.*

I, as Dani Osmond, I do miss my mom. I do want to see her but she passed away. Why don't we share that to the world? People in the world is pandemic. People have to wear a mask and clean your hands at home or any places you can. Stay calm. Stay healthy. Be with us. We will get the bottom of this. Be brave. Like Joseph, he was brave. He's in our hearts. Let's have a moment of silence. Five minutes, not longer.

*Silence.*

The end.

*A final chord.*

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