

PART II

The Lazarus Protocol

The dead were never the end of the experiment. They were only the

OFFICIAL STORY SYNOPSIS

Weeks after Blackwood Station, Adrian Vale receives a photograph of a sealed medical archive and a message written in his own hand. Then a new body is found bearing the Ghost Ledger's mark: six circles complete, the seventh crossed out. Detective Emily Carter, Dr. Leena Rao, and Jonah Mercer follow the evidence into a facility officially closed for eleven years. Inside, false death records, empty wards, and corrupted files point to Project Lazarus, a programme designed not merely to imitate life, but to influence what people remember and which version of a person becomes official. Elise Voss returns with a warning that someone close to the investigation has been reporting their movements. The deeper the team goes, the less they can rely on any single statement or document. To stop the operation, Adrian must choose between preserving evidence that may explain his own past and protecting a witness who could be harmed by its release. The immediate scheme can be exposed—but the final Lazarus file carries a timestamp from tomorrow and a recording in Adrian's voice. Its warning points toward a new site: the Memory Archive.

KEY CHARACTERS
Adrian Vale · Emily Carter · Dr. Leena Rao · Jonah Mercer · Elise Voss

STORY ELEMENTS
Secret research · falsified records · memory manipulation · a future-dated warning

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