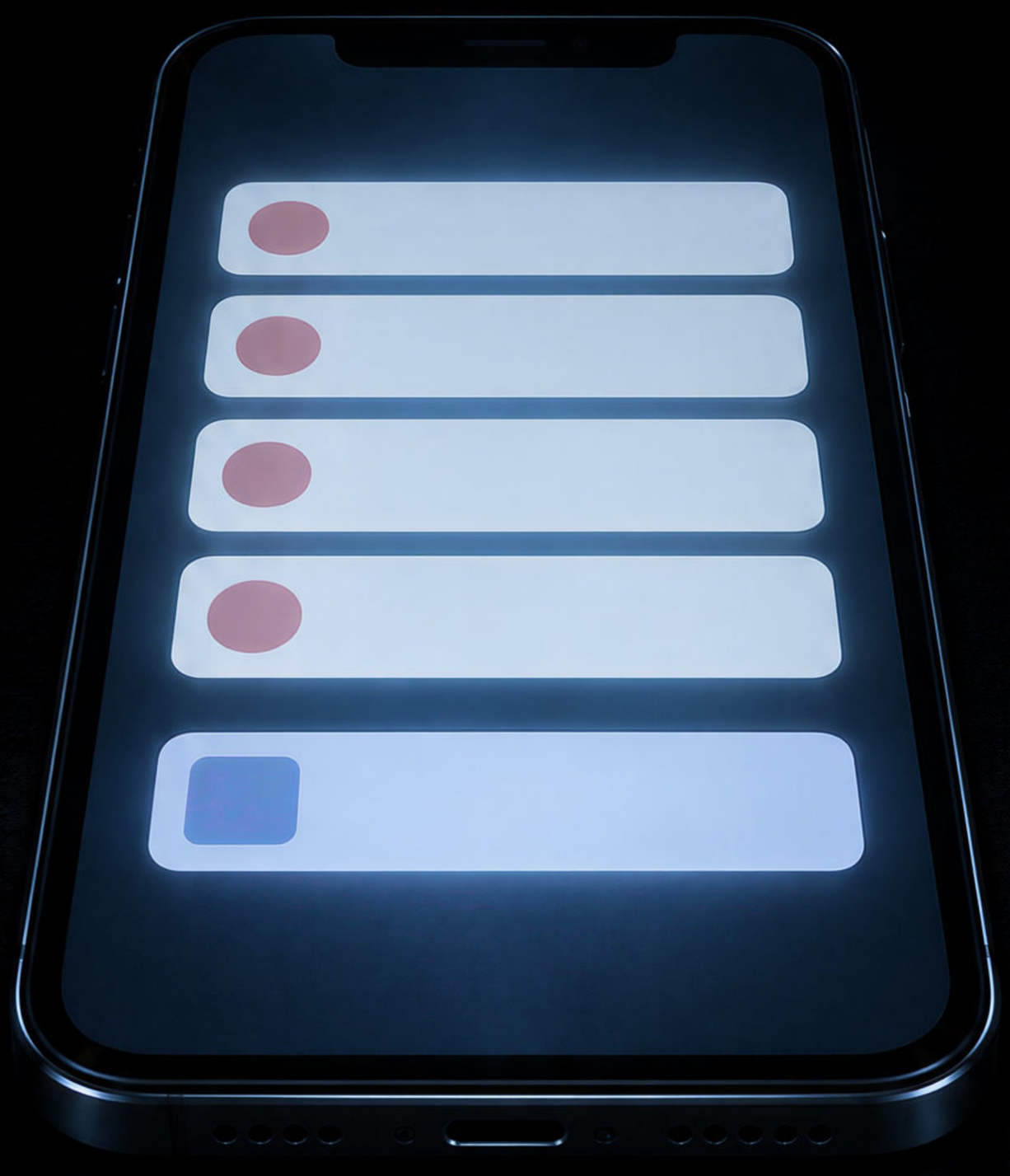
# Hidden Signals

## Chapter 2_9: Drifting Wreckage



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BZZZT

BZZ...

4 MISSED CALLS

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THIS MORNING • JUST NOW

SARAH (2)
OVERNIGHT

CIPHER
2:30 AM

6:12

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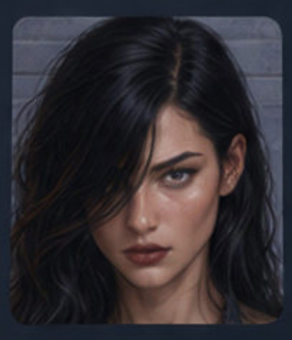

UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN FOUND DEAD IN DOWNTOWN ALLEY

6:12




1 DAY AGO

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FEDERAL PRISONER ESCAPES MAXIMUM-SECURITY FACILITY

2 DAYS AGO

3 DAYS AGO











ROWAN, LISTEN TO ME. DON'T GO ANYWHERE ALONE. KEEP SHANTI CLOSE. CASSANDRA'S OUT, AND SHE'S COMING FOR ALL OF US.

MS. FLETCHER, THIS IS DETECTIVE REYES... CALL ME BACK, IT'S URGENT.

6:12

VOICEMAIL

+1 (202) 555-0147

0:15

0:30

WHAT'S WRONG?

I DON'T KNOW. SOMETHING'S HAPPENED.

BZZT

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+1 (202) 555-0147
incoming call

NO. NO,
THAT'S NOT...
I JUST SAW HER.
I JUST—

LATER, AT THE STATION...

WE FOUND YOUR NUMBER IN HER PHONE. YOU'RE LISTED AS EMERGENCY CONTACT.

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. I NEVER—

WE NEED SOMEONE TO CONFIRM IDENTITY. THE VICTIM'S FACE WAS... INTACT.
















ONE WEEK LATER.



CIPHER WAS... COMPLICATED.

SHE DID THINGS I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND. THINGS THAT HURT PEOPLE.

BUT SHE ALSO SAVED MY LIFE. MORE THAN ONCE.

SHE WAS TRYING TO BE BETTER. I KNOW THAT NOW.

SHE WAS TRYING TO... FIX SOMETHING. SOMETHING SHE FELT RESPONSIBLE FOR.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WAS. BUT I KNOW SHE CARED. MORE THAN SHE LET ON.

SHE WAS MY FRIEND.

AND I DIDN'T TELL HER THAT ENOUGH.

















YOU KNEW HER. AT THE END.

SHE TOLD ME SOMETHING. BEFORE SHE—

WHAT DID SHE SAY?

IT DOESN'T MATTER NOW. NOTHING MATTERS NOW.

SHE ASKED ME TO WAIT... I WALKED OUT. I NEVER EVEN TURNED AROUND.

THAT'S THE LAST THING SHE HAS OF ME. MY BACK.

DON'T.



