

EPISODE #213

"COURSE: OBLIVION"

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Just after she and Paris say their wedding vows and prepare for a holodeck honeymoon, Torres discovers a problem in engineering. After further investigation, she finds one of the Jefferies tubes is losing molecular cohesion due to subspace radiation from the warp drive. Suddenly, Torres becomes violently ill. When Paris brings her to sickbay, they find several more crewmembers in the same condition.

The Doctor diagnoses Torres with acute cellular degradation and explains that her chromosomes are breaking down at the molecular level. Meanwhile, Chakotay and Tuvok pinpoint an event that could have caused their problems. They encountered a bio-memetic compound -- the silver blood -- on the Class Y demon planet. When they left that planet, the crew's DNA was copied, and duplicates of themselves stayed on the planet to begin a new population. However, after the Doctor injects a dichromate catalyst into her deceased body, Torres disintegrates into the metallic compound. Chakotay and Tuvok realize they are all the duplicates.

Unwilling to travel thousands of light years back to the demon planet, Janeway plans to forge ahead toward the Alpha Quadrant and hopes to find a solution to the rapid degradation. When sensors detect a Class Y planet, the crew readies the ship to land, knowing that the planet's atmosphere is the only thing that may keep them alive. However, a vessel suddenly appears that warns them to leave and begins firing.

Voyager is unable to sustain the hits from the firing ship and must retreat. When Janeway orders the crew to search for another demon planet, Chakotay tells her they are questioning her command. The crew is beginning to remember their existence before Voyager, and to them, Earth isn't home. After Chakotay's neural pathways start to destabilize, he dies in sickbay. Close to death herself, Janeway decides to turn the ship around and set a course for the demon planet.

A few weeks away from the planet, Janeway dies. As acting Captain, Kim tries his best to hold the ship together with the help of Seven, one of the only other remaining crewmembers. When they detect a ship, Kim orders Seven to eject the warp core so they can drop out of warp and hail it. The force is too great, and the ship disintegrates as Voyager, the approaching vessel, comes across the mysterious debris. Curious about the distress signal they were receiving, the real crew can only make a note of the event in their log.





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CAST

CAPTAIN KATHRYN JANEWAY
CHAKOTAY
B'ELANNA TORRES
TOM PARIS
NEELIX
THE DOCTOR
TUVOK
SEVEN OF NINE
HARRY KIM

KATE MULGREW
ROBERT BELTRAN
ROXANN DAWSON
ROBERT DUNCAN MCNEILL
ETHAN PHILLIPS
ROBERT PICARDO
TIM RUSS
JERI RYAN
GARRETT WANG

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BRYAN FULLER and NICK SAGAN

Story by:

BRYAN FULLER

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ANSON WILLIAMS

HIGHLIGHT LISTING

STAR TREK: VOYAGER: "Course: Oblivion" -- As crewmembers begin dying, they make a startling discovery about their true identities.

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The crew thought they knew each other well. Now, they find they barely know themselves.

