

The Vault Is Not Enough

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Act 2 Scene 3
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The world is ending, at least as everyone knows it. With the Resonance Virus running rampant among the population and having developed an immunity to earlier cures, an assortment of the elite and those who happened to be near them at the time have been herded into bunkers across the nation. At one such bunker, scientists who were involved in the Resonance Project have been working around the clock on a new cure. As the hospital ward in the underground bunker is sealed, all anyone can pray for is that they will be among those who survive this apocalypse.

Oh, shit. When will you learn to look before you leap? Never, you guess, because now you're probably going to die in a bunker. Resonance sounded like such a good idea at the time. You helped get it funding, and then they had to justify that funding, and it got released, and now look where you are. In a bunker, with a whole bunch of military people, bureaucrats and scientists. Probably some of them are already infected, and pretty soon you'll all get Resonance. If they're not, you'll probably just all wind up killing each other over the frustration of being locked up in here. In a bunker.

You need to plan for this. Do they have a cure for this yet? What is the plan for getting out of this bunker safely? Oh, god, you can't focus on planning right now. What have you done? What can you possibly do to make anything better from this bunker? What could you possibly do from outside of this bunker? Did your mother get out okay? She's a doctor in a downtown hospital. She would have been seeing Resonance patients. She's probably infected. Why didn't you get to her?

This all seemed like such a good idea at the time. Maybe Highmore has an idea of what to do. Did Highmore make it here? If not, that might put you in charge of the Department of Defense. What does that even mean now?