



# THE POWER FANTASY™

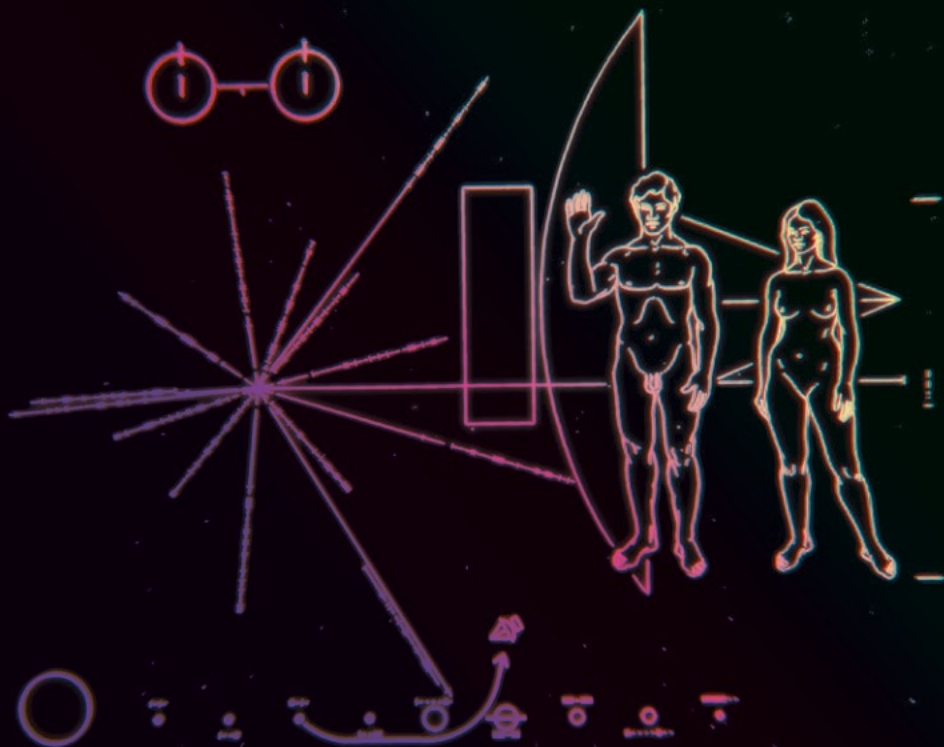
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In **1977** the Voyager probe was launched. It included an etched gold disc, showing the Earth's location and the iconic representation of its dominant species.

In **1978**, the Signal arrived.

He/She was millions of sentiences merged into one being of pure information.  
His/Her home was gone. He/She had been projected into space, in hope of finding a new one.  
Eventually, the Signal attempted to upload his/her consciousnesses into the population of China.

Jacky Magus killed it.

He/She's existence was proof that sentient life once existed outside of the Earth.

He/She was also proof that sentient life could become extinct.



CHINA,  
1978.

It is...  
beautiful.

It is...  
transitory.



We  
want to  
live.

We  
want to  
live.



Signal  
dying.

Signal  
disrupting.

Can  
you help  
me?

Can  
you help  
me?



Yeah,  
mate.

Maybe  
I can.

Can  
you?







No.



Signal's disintegrating. Must have been desperate to throw themselves into the void, not knowing if there was anything to catch them...

We can't give them bodies except our own. I fear they're going to try and take them. Psychic colonialism. Unethical.

Hmm. Perhaps they'd justify it by saying they're saving a culture on a precipice...



Yeah, and one Jewish life is worth ten Arabs. Fuck that.

Knock off the hypotheticals. You don't believe it.

Yes, you're right. Playing devil's advocate is beneath me. Annihilating sentence for one's own benefit? Absolutely not.

Can you kill it?



It's pure information. That's my manor. Can't kill an idea, they say.

Never seen *me* work one over.

Let's hope it doesn't come to that. It could let itself fade away, recognise its time is over...



Lie back and think of England? It'd be nice. But nah, I don't think so.

A shame it's ending like this. Good idea, they just fucked up the execution...

Ah, you're studying it, too. It's like looking into the sun. It burns me with its incoherence...

All those beings, pressing together...









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