

EXT. CANYON/INT. ACE'S CAR - EVENING

Ace is weaving in and out of traffic as hail WHIPS his car. He dodges debris and the large hail that continues to THRASH with the rain.

Suddenly, rocks from the canyon fall on his car, CRACKING his windshield.

CLOSE-UP: Ace's face contorting in fear as the rocks fall.

BACK TO SCENE

Ace SLAMS into the car in front of him while trying to break. The sudden stop causes the vehicle to sink into the mud.

Ace opens his door and leans out to find the tires SPITTING mud.

The driver in front of him bolts from his car.

Ace feels his car sinking lower.

He SLAMS his hand against the steering wheel in anger. Seeing no other choice, he reaches for Natalie's bag and exits his car.

Thunder, lightning, rain, and hail continue to RUMBLE, flash, and POUR down.

EXT. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - MONTAGE - EVENING/NIGHT

-- Roofs torn from their buildings.

-- Torrential DOWN POURS making it nearly impossible to see.

-- People trapped in cars sinking in mud, hanging out windows clamoring to escape.

EXT. CANYON/ACE'S CAR - NIGHT

Ace continues to run away from his sinking car, dodging debris that flies toward him. He stops and clears the water from his face, looking for anywhere he can go.

He spots a trail up in the canyon wall that others are attempting to climb and joins them.

He reaches up with his arms and tries to find his footing, but the mud thickens, and it's too much.

He can't make it up.

None of them can.

Turning, he sees a bus BARRELING down the road. He leaps from the wall and lands in front of the bus, nearly causing it to crash.

The DRIVER opens the bus doors.

DRIVER

What in the hell are you doing? You could've killed us all!

Ace ignores the man and jumps aboard the bus.

EXT. CANYON/INT. BUS - CONTINUOUS

Seeing what Ace did, the others at the canyon wall follow suit.

Soon the bus is swarmed and the weight causes it to sink into the mud.

It lists onto its side.

Passengers aboard begin YELLING in fear. Ace grasps a railing, but can sense his demise if he stays.

Using the railing as a guide, Ace pushes his way back through to the front of the bus amid the panicked passengers.

Finally at the front, he jumps from its doors.