

### ABSTRACT EXPRESSION

*(Charlie's apartment. One of Ray's friends is there, completely comatose from the crack they are both smoking. The microwave is gone. Ray takes a hit off the crack pipe.)*

**RAY:** If negroes were actually citizens, we wouldn't have a racial problem. There is going to be a racial explosion. The only solution now is complete separation between the black race and the white race. Just as the white man has the right to defend himself, we have the right to defend ourselves. For the white man to ask the black man why do you hate us, is like the wolf asking his victim, do you like me? The white man is in no moral position to ask us anything.

**JORDY:** *(Mumbling)* Yeah, okay.

**RAY:** Look at you. Your sorry white ass wasted on crack, nobody in their right mind be smoking this shit no more, but here's you and me suckn' it down, what you think's gonna happen if we get busted on this? You get sent to rehab and I'm back on Rikers for selling it to you.

**JORDY:** *(Correcting him)* I sold it to you.

**RAY:** I'm talking white man's logic, fool. White man goes down on an OD, everybody talks what a tragedy, big fucking articles in the newspapers. This happened right here, I'm talking right in this building, piece of shite white man gets himself fucked up on pills and booze and everyone's all upset. Black man OD's you think it's gonna show up in the papers? More like they try to arrest his dead ass. Dead white man, he's in the newspaper, meanwhile I'm still on parole for a job I didn't even do.

**JORDY:** You did that job.

**RAY:** That's not the point. I'm trying to tell you something.

**JORDY:** And I'm trying to tell you, you're full of shit, and you know why? Because O.J. walked.

**RAY:** You want to talk to me about O.J.?

**JORDY:** I don't walk to talk about O.J.

**RAY:** You want to talk to me about O.J.?

**JORDY:** I don't want to talk about O.J.

**RAY:** ‘Cause in case you failed to notice, O.J. was found innocent in a court of law. That man is a hero and I’m not saying he didn’t do it, what I am sayin’, he got himself a fair trial, which is something that has hitherto been denied to the black man. The only way the black man can earn respect in a white man’s world is by having money, and that is what O.J. knew, and he stood up before this entire nation and said, I’m not your nigger, I am a rich man and I am going to buy me some justice, just like you white men been doing for hundreds of years . That is what O. J. did. And don’t get me started on Nicole, ‘cause that’s not to say she wasn’t asking for that shit—

**JORDY:** Aw come on, I don’t want to talk about O.J!

**RAY:** Yeah, White people don’t want to talk about O.J. ‘cause they don’t like to hear the truth.

**JORDY:** Fuck the truth, Ray. Come on. (*JORDY offers him the pipe.*)

**RAY:** There’s gonna be a race war. Count on it. Now, gimme that. (*RAY takes it and takes a hit.*) This is a good shit.

**JORDY.** It is Indeed

*(They laugh. Blackout)*