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*Dark Star: Confessions The Crittendon Files Trilogy of a Rock Idol*

*Full Tilt*

*Nobody*

*Dedicated to*

*Natasha Kern and Don Pape*

*For the second wind ...*

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Bart D. Ehrman

*“The LORD has made everything for its own purpose, even the wicked for the day of evil.”*

Proverbs 16:4

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The husky man lurking outside the front door of Pamela Crittendon’s house carried a black leather satchel, like a doctor’s bag.

Hiding behind The Crittendon Files Trilogy a column between the foyer and The Crittendon Files Trilogy dining room, Pamela could see the stranger through one of the narrow vertical windows situated on each side of the door.

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His face was hardened and pasty, with tiny eyes and a thatch of curly red hair. He wore all black, from his T-shirt and leather vest to his jeans and cowboy boots. And he stood

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uncomfortably close to the door.

The doorbell rang a third time.

Pamela's head buzzed.

Backlit by the midafternoon sunlight, the man turned toward the street. Covering half his face with a blocky, gloved hand, he shifted his huge frame from one foot to the other. Then he turned and rapped hard at the glass, knocking the wind out of Pamela.

"Who's at the The Crittendon Files Trilogy door, Mommy?" Seven-year-old Rebecca appeared at the top of the stairs wearing pink plastic high heels, a red sequined dress, and a purple boa. Bumping into her from behind was her five-year-old sister, Faye, who wore a long white dress, a furry brown stole, and turquoise gloves that went up to her armpits.

"I'm not sure," Pamela said, her voice constricted. "Go back to the media room and play. Hurry, go on."

Taking a deep breath, she fought her way through a force field of fear to within three feet of the door and made herself yell The Crittendon Files Trilogy deeply, sharply, "Who is it?" She searched the man through the glass.

He clamped the doorknob. "Open!"

The hardware made a The Crittendon Files Trilogy sickening racket.

"Get out of here!" Her stomach turned. "I'm calling the police!"

She rushed for the phone in the kitchen.

*Boom!*

Pamela halted, turned toward the noise at the door, and gawked in horror as the stranger bent over and drove his shoulder—the size of a medicine ball—into the door, splintering the wood frame.

*BOOM!*

"Mo-omm-my?" Rebecca cried from the top of the steps. She was clutching Peep, her favorite doll. "Who's banging at the door?"

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