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MILES

EXT. TRANSMISSION TOWER - DAY

Miles' dad, CHUCK, secures his harness and steps off the ladder. Miles is 10 feet below him, and climbs up. They're 1500 feet up in the air.

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CHUCK

So what are Jackson, Zack, and all them doing?

MILES

Zack's in the Marines, Jackson is going to some expensive private school in Boston to be with his girlfriend.

Miles reaches in the tool bag and gets the screwdriver. He helps Chuck remove the casing that covers the transmission hardware.

CHUCK

Have you thought any more about next year?

MILES

Well, I'll get my pro card if I place in nationals. Then a spot on a factory team. I could be one, two years away from racing stadiums. That means money, endorsements. That's the real dream.

Chuck and Miles work together to swap out the transistor's computer hardware and re-wire it to the solar panel.

CHUCK

I know your dream. I mean the details. Where are you gonna live, how are you gonna make money in the meantime?

Miles shuts down when it gets to this part of the conversation. He opens up Snapchat and sees a message from Sara, ignoring his father.

CHUCK (CONT'D)

I don't mind having this view in my office. You know, I could use a full time climbing partner. It's good money and you can still ride on the weekends.



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MILES

I should be training full time if I want to have a chance.

CHUCK

I'm not telling you stop. I'm telling you to look at the big picture for a second.

MILES

Just because you quit doesn't mean I should. If I get my pro card, neither of us is gonna have to do crap like this.

CHUCK

Like this or not, one day, whether you get injured, or just age out of it, it's gonna end. And you'll have the rest of your life ahead of you. I don't want you to have nothing to fall back on.

MILES

If I get injured they'll just put more metal in my leg and I'll get back up like I always do. Besides, you know I suck at everything else.

Chuck closes the casing on the bulb and the red light starts blinking. Miles watches the light, angry that his dad doesn't understand him.

CHUCK

Well, how many things have you tried?

Miles lets go of the tower and FREEFALLS. His 15 foot tether catches him.

CHUCK (CONT'D)

Dammit, Miles.

Miles doesn't listen. He looks out, upside down at the stark 100 mile radius he's grown up in. That horizon is a bitch.