Pre-Roll:

Hello, hello!

Today's Bonus Content is the audio from our #AskTOAFN livestream that we did on YouTube back on May 7. For those of you who are new, at the end of every chapter, Zach and I and some of the cast will do a live roundtable about the chapter, and we'll answer fan questions that are presubmitted on social media or submitted in the live chat on YouTube. Our \$12 and up Patrons on Patreon also have the option to call in live with their questions - or if that's too socially terrifying they can bump their questions to the top of the list. So that's exactly what we did, this chapter Zach and I were joined by Garrett Armyn who plays Brennen. The audio you're about to hear has been cleaned up and very lightly edited for clarity and time, and if you're interested in the thought processes behind the show I think you'll learn some fun stuff.

But first!

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I wanna do one more quick plug for the DECOLONIZE & DISCOVER FESTIVAL. We did a feed drop about it last week, and this is not a paid ad. Just one of the organizers is a friend of a show, and we think the festival looks dope and it's very in line with our values and probably with yours if you're listening to this. So I'm gonna drop their trailer one more time at the end of this episode and you can find out more at decolonize and discover dot com. There are early bird prices until May 31st so if you're listening to this the day it came out you've still got a couple more days.

Okay! I'm gonna play our conversation for you now...I'll be back one more time in the mid-roll... and then I'll see you again on June 26th for the premiere of Book 2 Chapter 8!

Mid-Roll:

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