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THE MIGHTY MORPHIN POWER RANGERS

EPISODE 15

"GREEN WITH EVIL - PART II"

The Green Ranger Saga Continues...

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RECAP (30 Secs.)
(Note: Scenes from Episode 14, as well be combined in the 30 sec. RECAP.)

PROLOGUE

FADE IN:

1501. INT. COMMAND CENTER - MOMENTS AFTER LAST EPISODE

ANGLE - ON ZORDON'S SCREEN

Zordon's image is still missing, replaced instead with a screen full of STATIC.

JASON (VO)
We've pressed every button and turned every knob in here...

PULL BACK to reveal JASON, KIMBERLY and ZACK (IN COSTUME) standing at the computer console.

JASON (Cont'd)
...and we still can't get a fix on Zordon.

ZACK
And without Zordon we have no clue who that green guy was that attacked us...

KIMBERLY
Look at this place. Whoever broke in here knew exactly what to do. They trashed the command center... gave Alpha a virus...

JASON
(to OS)
You making any progress, Billy?

ANGLE - ON BILLY, TRINI, ALPHA

Billy's got Alpha opened up, wiring and re-wiring the robot. Trini is handing him tools for the "operation". Alpha is making a SFX: LOW HUMMING sound.

BILLY
I'm doing the best I can, but I'm unfamiliar with his circuitry.
(to Trini)
Screwdriver...

She hands it to him.

TRINI
Be careful. Don't hurt him.

BILLY
Believe me, Trini, he can't feel a thing.
(twisting the screwdriver in Alpha)
His electrodes have been scrambled. Even if I get him working again, I don't know what shape his memory's going to be in.

Sudenly, we HEAR the SOUNDS of Alpha SPARKING and BEEPING...

BILLY
Hey -- he's starting up...

PAN WITH KIMBERLY, JASON, ZACK

joing Billy and Trini as Alpha comes back to "life".

ALPHA
Circuitry now operational...operational...
(then:)
Dudes...Dudettes!

TRINI
(excited)
Alpha! You're back!

GENERAL EXCITEMENT. AD-LIB'S: "Good work, Billy!", "Yes!" "Alright". Jason remains serious throughout.

ON JASON

JASON
Alpha may be okay, but we've still gotta find a way to bring Zordon back... and figure out what the story is with that green guy ...

CUT TO:

1502. INT. RITA'S PALACE

Rita pulls away from her Repulsascope, smiling wickedly, and conversing with FINSTER.

RITA
By the time you find out it'll be too late, Rangers! It's time for phase two...

FINSTER
You're giving the evil sword to the Green Ranger? Good thing Zordon is out of commission, Mistress...
(beat)
He's the only one who knows how to break the spell.

We see a dream-type sequence of two men fighting with swords...

RITA (VO)
I stole the sword from his soldiers a millenium ago...

BACK ON RITA

RITA
...And soon I will give it to my Green Ranger...

FINSTER
Yes. And one by one, the Power Rangers will be destroyed!

FADE TO BLACK

RITA (VO)
(AN EVIL LAUGH)

ACT ONE

FADE IN:

1503. EXT. ANGEL GROVE YOUTH CENTER - DAY

Establishing.

1504. EXT. ALLEY BEHIND YOUTH CENTER

It's deserted. The SOUND of HUMMING and a blinding FLASH of light and TOMMY (not in costume) MATERIALIZES in the alleyway.

RITA (VO)
You will remain on Earth until further notice, Green Ranger.

TOMMY
(trance-like state)
Whatever pleases the Empress...

RITA
Remember to keep your identity as the Green Ranger secret. No one must learn the truth.

TOMMY
As you wish, my Empress.

Rita's wicked CACKLE fades as Tommy takes the GREEN POWER COIN from his pocket and stares at it. It gives off a green flash. CLOSE ON Tommy, whose eyes are also GLOWING GREEN.

ANGLE - BULK AND SKULL

turning the corner to take a short cut through the alley. They immediately spot Tommy.

BULK
Well, lookie who we ran into, Skull!

Tommy turns to face Bulk and Skull.

SKULL
Yeah, lookie who we ran into!

BULK
It's the hot shot who didn't want to be our friend! Everybody wants to be our friend, buddy!

SKULL
Yeah, everybody!

BULK
So what's wrong with you, huh? Maybe you need to be taught a little lesson...

SKULL
Yeah, a little lesson!!

Bulk goes after Tommy with overacted karate moves and stances, and throws kicks that Tommy easily avoids. Bulk ends up falling into Skull...

Bulk growls, and charges Tommy once more. Tommy launches into a series of karate moves and high kicks that ends with Tommy's fist about an inch away from Bulk's face.

TOMMY
Ki ya!

TIGHT CU - BULKS FACE

he's cross-eyed staring at the fist in his face.

CU - SKULL

his jowels are shaking with fear!

ON SCENE

Tommy lets out one last "ki ya" that scares the hell outta Bulk and Skull...

TOMMY
Ki ya!

They scream and take off running.

BULK / SKULL
(SCREAMS OF FEAR)

ON TOMMY

Grinning mischievously, he flips his coin in the air, catches it and stuffs it into his pocket.

JASON (VO)
Man... I wish I knew who that green guy was...

CUT TO:

1505. INT. YOUTH CENTER - DAY

CLOSE on a punching bag taking some heavy punches. CAMERA PULLS back to reveal Jason, sweating heavily as he throws some wicked, frustrated punches into the bag. Zack is standing next to him, also dressed in workout clothes. They're taking turns with the bag.

JASON (cont'd)
(throwing a punch)
I can't get him outta my mind.

Jason throws another really strong punch.

ZACK
Whoaa, man. Lighten up...

JASON
His costume was just like ours. But Zordon never said anything about a Green Ranger.

ZACK
You think he's the one who totalled the command center?

JASON
It's too much of a coincidence. He shows up. Zordon's suddenly missing.

ZACK
Maybe the guy's working for Rita...

JASON
Maybe. All I know for sure is that I'd like to get my hands on him, go one on one...
(punches the bag hard)
And really get some answers.

CUT TO:

1506. INT. COMMAND CENTER

CAMERA PANS with Trini as she joins ALPHA and BILLY who are crouched on the ground tinkering with the command console. They've removed the bottom grid of the computer, exposing the wires and conduits.

TRINI
You guys come up with any answers?

Billy and Alpha come up for air. Both are covered with soot.

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi...

BILLY
Negative. These cables and wires have been completely burned.

TRINI
No wonder we can't contact Zordon...

BILLY
They need to be replaced before we can do anything else.

ALPHA
If we get the main generator on-line again, I can proceed with locating Zordon.

BILLY
And our communicators can be repaired.

TRINI
So where do we start?

ALPHA
The SDA computer system I've been working on! It's relatively new...

BILLY
(understanding)
That's where we can get the cable and wiring...

ALPHA
Exactly.

TRINI
I'm glad you two know what you're talking about!

Off their looks, we:

CUT TO:

1507. INT. ANGEL GROVE HIGH - HALLWAY

It's between classes. The hallway is filled with STUDENTS. KIMBERLY approaches Tommy who's standing at his locker, grabbing books.

KIMBERLY
Tommy ... TOMMY!

Tommy doesn't look at her, keeps busy with what he's doing.

TOMMY
(disinterested)
Yeah?

KIMBERLY
What happened to you the other night?
We were suppose to meet ...

TOMMY
(cold)
Something came up.

KIMBERLY
I just got kinda worried that --

TOMMY
-- I'm a big boy, Kim. I don't need you
to worry about me.

Kimberly is taken back by his attitude...

KIMBERLY
Is something wrong? You're totally acting
like --

TOMMY
(hard) To her
-- like what?

KIMBERLY
Like you're upset with me ...

TOMMY
Has it ever occured to you that I've got other
things on my mind? Newsflash, Kimberly:
You are not the center of everyone's universe.

Visibly upset, Kim marches off as we CLOSE IN on Tommy. His eyes glow green as we HEAR:

RITA (VO)
Meet me at the ocean, Ranger.
I have need of you.

TOMMY
Yes, my Empress.

CUT TO:

1508. INT. RITA'S PALACE

(NOTE: the footage where Rita and her minions are dancing and singing will be edited out, so the footage will pick up with:)

GOLDAR
Is it time to meet the Green Ranger, your low-ness?

Rita walks to her Repulsascope and looks in.

RITA
Yes, it is! He's waiting as ordered.
Let's go greet him, my pets. Come!

Rita transports herself and her soldiers to a grassy hillside by the sea. They march down the mountainside shouting "Green Ranger" to a thumping beat. Rita turns up to her minions, shouting orders.

RITA
Green Ranger!!

The group marches down the hill and when they reach the bottom, Rita stands next to Baboo, gazing toward an OS Green Ranger.

BABOO
There he is, Oh Evil One! Ready for your orders!

(NOTE: We will INTERCUT with AMERICAN FOOTAGE of TOMMY throughout this scene.)

1509. EXT. OUTDOOR LOCATION - NEAR OCEAN - DAY

CLOSE ON TOMMY (in civilian clothes) against a blue sky background.

TOMMY
You summoned me. I'm at your service, Empress. Is it time to crush the Power Rangers?

1510. EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE

CLOSE ON RITA as she reacts.

RITA
Patience! Once more you must prove your strength to me. This time without your costume and power...

Pointing her doomstaff at Tommy, she zaps him down to the beach...

RITA (VO)
Defeat my Putties and the Sword of Power is yours!

1511. EXT. BEACH LOCATION

Tommy appears and finds himself in the midst of a Putty fight! (NOTE: 35 - 45 sec. Putty fight takes place here).

When he stands alone, finished with the Putties, he bows and awaits Rita's next command.

TOMMY
You command and I obey, my Empress.

Suddenly, Tommy is surrounded in a brilliant GREEN LIGHT (FX), and a SWORD appears in his hand. His body tenses with newfound power!

TOMMY
(loud, wicked laugh) - yes

Tommy holds the sword to the sky and laughs maniacally.

TOMMY
The Power Rangers will be destroyed!

As Tommy's laughter crescendos to a maddening hysteria, Rita and her minions join in and we:

FADE OUT.

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN:

1512. INT. SCHOOL HALLWAY

It's after school. The halls are empty, except for Jason and Zack who ENTER. Jason's carrying a gym bag, looking around for someone...

ZACK
(punching buttons on his wrist communicator)
Man, these things still aren't working. Looks like I'm taking the RAD Bug to the Command Center.

JASON
Billy and Alpha still at it?

ZACK
Yeah. I'm gonna see if I can give 'em a hand. You comin'?

JASON
I'll take the next flight. I told that guy Tommy I'd meet him afterschool so we could workout.

ZACK
Alright. See ya.

JASON
Yeah.

Zack EXITS. Jason keeps on down the hall, but sees no one. He starts to head back down the same hall, stops at one of the classroom doors, peers in the window.

ANGLE - END OF HALL

Tommy emerges from behind some lockers and points his green coin toward Jason. Suddenly, a GREEN BEAM of LIGHT (FX) shoots out from the coin and hits Jason in the back, and he instantly VANISHES!

CLOSE ON TOMMY

His eyes glow green and he smiles wide.

TOMMY
One down. Four to go.

Off his menacing look, we:

1513. INT. OTHER DIMENSION - SWING SET

A dark, mysterious vortex. Suddenly, Jason APPEARS, confused and disoriented. He looks around, instinctively checks his communicator.

JASON
Command Center, this is Jason.
Can you read me?

He taps it, we hear the SOUND of STATIC.

JASON (cont'd)
Alpha? Anybody... come in.

It's no use. He reaches for his transmorpher but realizes it's not there.

GOLDAR (VO)
Missing something, human?

Jason spins around to see:

ANGLE - GOLDAR

standing behind him, holding Jason's transmorpher in his hand, dangling it enticingly in front of the young hero. — Act 1

GOLDAR
Not so tough without your toys now,
are you?

Jason nervously tries his wrist communicator again...

JASON
(with more urgency)
Command Center, this is Jason.
Come in. I have an emergency situation...

GOLDAR
Your commrades cannot hear you.
They cannot help you. You must face
me alone, without ...this.

He dangles the transmorpher in front of him again. Jason eyes it, then angrily rushes Goldar, trying to grab it, only to be rebuffed and flung across the room. Goldar lets loose a loud, self-assured laugh.

GOLDAR
This is going to be more fun than I
expected!

ANGLE - JASON

getting up from the fall, glaring at Goldar. Still, there is a trace of fear in his eyes...

CUT TO:

1514. INT. COMMAND CENTER

Billy and Alpha are still fastening wires and cables underneath the main computer, while Kimberly, Trini and Zack look on.

BILLY
Just oa few more wires to connect and we should be getting something...

ALPHA
Cross your fingers, Rangers...

While Bilyl and Alpha work, Trini turns to Kimberly...

TRINI
So fill me in on what happened with Tommy...

KIMBERLY
You mean the iceman?

ZACK
What, he gave you the cold shoulder?

KIMBERLY
Totally. He just snapped at me for no reason.

ZACK
Maybe Jason can figure out what's bugging him. He was suppose to meet Tommy after school to work out...

KIMBERLY
That's weird... because I saw Tommy at the Youth Center after school .... but he was alone.

ZACK
That doesn't make sense...

We HEAR the CRACKLE of ELECTRICAL ENERGY and:

BILLY (VO)
Something's happening...

WIDE SHOT

FAVORING the Viewing Globe. It LIGHTS UP and comes to life!

KIMBERLY
The Globe!

The kids approach...

ZACK
At least something's working.

BILLY
It's a start.

~~KIMBERLY~~ ZACK
You guys -- look!

1515. ANGLE - VIEWING GLOBE

INSERT JAPANESE FOOTAGE SEG. 4 - Green Ranger standing on a cliff, holding his sword. (Or perhaps this footage can be shot in American.)

ZACK (VO)
It's the green guy!

1516. BACK TO SCENE

ZACK (cont'd)
Now's our chance to nail him, get to the bottom of what's going on!

ALPHA AT COMPUTER

as it lights up and becomes active again...

ALPHA
Sub-generator is now active. We have partial power. Computer has locked onto his energy field...

ZACK
~~Can you teleport us to his location, Alpha?~~ lets morph

ALPHA
~~Affirmative.~~

KIMBERLY
But we need Jason...

SMACH CUT:

1517. INT. OTHER DIMENSION - SWING SET

Jason is going round and round with Goldar, who continues to dangle the transmorpher in front of him.

JASON
Come on Goldar. Wouldn't you like to make this a "fair" fight?

GOLDAR
You are a substantially lower life form. It would never be fair.

JASON
We'll see about that...

Jason launches into a series of karate kicks, but Goldar deflects every move.

GOLDAR
(laughing)
You only prove my point!

JASON
Don't count me out yet, Goldar!

Jason attacks again, this time with a surprise move that trips the golden beast.

JASON
Ah ha! Maybe it's time to get glasses, Goldar!

Jason throws a high kick and this time plants it right on Goldar's thigh, causing him to stumble. However, Goldar reacts with force and Jason is thrown back again.

GOLDAR
I am tiring of this pitiful little game!

ANGLE - JASON

On the ground, Jason catches a few quick breaths and realizes he'll have to outwit Goldar to get his transmorpher back. Brute strength won't do it. Off his look, we:

CUT TO:

1518. INT. COMMAND CENTER

Kimberly, Trini, Zack and Billy take position, ready to teleport.

ZACK
Don't forget, Alpha. Try to locate Jason and have him meet us at the bluff!

ALPHA
Affirmative, Rangers.

ZACK
Then it's morphin' time! Mastodon!

BILLY
Triceratops!

TRINI
Saber Tooth Tiger!

KIMBERLY
Pterodactyl.

ON ALPHA

hitting some buttons on the computer...

ALPHA
Teleportation activated!

SMASH CUT TO:

1519. EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE / BEACH (seg. 4)

The Green Ranger looks down at the beach, towards where the Power Ranghers have materialized.

GREEN RANGER
It's about time you showed up!

Green Ranger jumps down from the top of the cliff to confront the Rangers. (CONTINUE WITH SEG. 5). The four Power Rangers go into formation.

ZACK
Yeah, we're here. Now you're gonna wish we were late!

Green Ranger takes his stance, showing off his sword.

GREEN RANGER
I've been waiting to show you my new toy!

Green Ranger takes on all four Power RAngers, giving them all a whack with his sword. Kimberly and Trini see Zack and Billy get zapped, and try to hit him at the same time.

KIM / TRINI
We'll handle this!

GREEN RANGER
Oh yeah? I don't think so!

Green Ranger zaps them both, then plants a high-flying double kick on them.

ZACK
Hey! That's no way to treat the ladies!

Billy and Zack go after Green Ranger once again, only to be thrown off once more by his magic sword. Standing opposite the four Rangers, Green Ranger gloats about his power.

GREEN RANGER
You are fools to think you can defeat me!
Watch this --!

Taking aim with his sword, he fires off a laser blast at the Power.Rangers, sending them rolling down on the ground.

RANGERS
(PAINED YELLS)

CUT TO:

1520. INT. RITA'S PALACE - (SEG. 6)

Rita draws back from her RepulsaScope, smiling happily.

RITA
My prize pupil learns quickly!

SQUATT
Yes, Your Nastiness! He's a good bad guy! You've done it!

RITA
Do YOU think I've finished with this?

SQUATT
Uh... I don't know, Highness.

BABOO
Well, it looks like he's doing the job, My Queen.

Rita walks around her palace as Squatt and Baboo look on.

RITA
That just shows what you two know about being nasty! It's not over till it's over, boys! Green Ranger still has much to do!

Squatt and Baboo look at each other in confusion.

BABOO
Huh?

SQUATT
Really?

CUT TO:

1521. EXT. JAPANESE FOOTAGE / BEACH (SEG. 7)

Green Ranger charges down the hill towards the Power RAngers.

GREEN RANGER
Now I'll finish the job!

ZACK
You'll eat my dust, first! Mastozord!

Suddenly Zack's Mastozord rises from the earth and charges forward. Each Power RAnger calls forth their Zords...

BILLY
TriceraZord! On the mark!

TRINI (VO)
SaberZord, running in right behind you!

KIMBERLY
TerraZord, out of the heat, and into the fight! Here I come!

The Power team jumps into the air and lands in theor individual cockpits.

ZACK
Now we're morphin'!

BILLY
Ready to proceed!

TRINI
Let's take this guy down!

KIMBERLY
Yeah! He needs a serious reality check!

The Zords combine to create the MegaZord. As the mammoth fighting machine rises to his full height:

COMPUTER (VO)
MegaZord sequence complete.

The Megazord looks down toward the Green Ranger, holds its massive fist out, take aim and shoots a sword at the Green Ranger.

ZACK
You're in the wrong league, man!

GREEN RANGER
You don't scare me! I haven't even begun to fight!

ZACK
We want some answers! Who are you?

GREEN RANGER
Your nightmare!

Green Ranger wields his powerful sword and fires a mighty green laser blast at the MegaZord. The MegaZord holds up its shield, knocking the blast back toward the Green Ranger.

KIMBERLY
More like a bad dream!

ZACK
You're no match for us. Now, are you ready to start talkin'?

Green Ranger gets up and shakes his sword menacingly.

GREEN RANGER
Never! It's not over yet! I'll be back!

Suddenly, the Green Ranger disappears!

CAMERA PANS to the MegaZord, standing in place.

TRINI
He's gone!

BILLY
Let's get back to the Command Center.

CUT TO:

1522. INT. RITA'S PALACE

Scene opens with a view of the moon, then cuts to Rita standing at her famous helm. She's pissed.

RITA
It's definitely not over yet! Wait till those Rangers see what I do next!

Rita holds up her doomstaff and scowls. Baboo and Squatt cower behind her.

SQUATT
What will you do, Mistress of Badness?

BABOO
Yes, Evil One. have you another monster in mind?

RITA
Could be!

SQUATT
I just knew it!

BABOO
You are so devious, your nastiness!

RITA
That's right!

Rita walks across her palace, smiling broadly, as Baboo and Squatt stand behind her.

BABOO
The Power Rangers are gonna be sorry!

SQUATT
No kidding!

Rita turns and CAMERA CLOSE IN on her as she laughs...

RITA
Just wait! Ha ha ha ha ha ha....!

CUT TO:

1522A. INT. OTHER DIMENSION - SWING SET

ON JASON

who is now standing, trying his communicator again...

JASON
Alpha, Power Rangers... can you read me? This is Jason...

GOLDAR (VO)
(an evil laugh)

Jason looks over to Goldar...

GOLDAR
I told you it is pointless to call your friends. Rita has thought of everything...

JASON
How does it feel to be Rita's mindless servant? That's all you are, you know...

GOLDAR
Silence!

JASON
What's the matter? Truth hurt? Don't like hearing that you're nothing more than her trained monkey?

GOLDAR
Stop! I will not listen! Rita is my queen! I live to carry out her will. She wants you destroyed...

Goldar holds up his hand and we LOCK CAMERA as his SWORD appears in his hand...

GOLDAR (cont'd)
...So be it!

FADE OUT.

END ACT TWO

EPILOGUE

1523. INT. COMMAND CENTER - DAY

ANGLE - ON ZORDON'S SCREEN

It's still filled with SNOW. PULL BACK to reveal Alpha at the computer console, working the buttons, and Kimberly, Zack, Trini and Billy standing around him.

ALPHA
The sub-generator has tapped onto something...

BILLY
Is it Zordon?

ALPHA
Uncertain. We'll know more momentarily.

He's continues working the computer...

ZACK
I hope it is, 'cause we need him bad. That green guy was a lot stronger this time...

BILLY
I think another factor we should be concerned about is Jason's absence. Alpha wasn't able to locate him anywhere.

TRINI
Oh, no. Not Jason, too...

ZACK
Man, if Rita's behind all this she's doing some serious damage.

ZORDON'S VOICE
(garbled, static-filled)
...Rangers ...(static)

WIDE SHOT

as the Rangers spin around to see Zordon's faint image flickering in the screen.

KIMBERLY
Zordon!

ZORDON
...(static) trapped in this.. (static)...
sector .... (static)....

ZACK
Alpha, you've almost got him!

TRINI
Just hold on, Zordon!

ZORDON
...(static) beware....(static)...
Green Ran(static)...

Suddenly his image vanishes and the screen is once again filled with snow.

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi! I've lost him!

TRINI
(upset)
Zordon, we need you!

CUT TO:

1524. INT. OTHER DIMENSION - SWING SET

ANGLE - GOLDAR

He's got his sword in one hand, Jason's transmorpher in the other. He's dangling the transmorpher in front of Jason.

GOLDAR
You need this, don't you?

He drops it on the ground.

GOLDAR
Come and get it ... if you dare!

Jason eyes the transmorpher, hesitates, then leaps to his feet and rushes toward it. But Goldar shoves him away. Jason scrambles on his knees over to the transmoprher, just about reaches it, when Goldar kicks it out of his reach!

Jason looks up to see the menacing Goldar standing above him.

GOLDAR (cont'd)
And now, finally, I will crush you!

Goldar raises his sword slowly into the air. As he readies to come down on Jason, we:

ANGLE - ON JASON

Heart pounding, mouth open wide, eyes filled with fear. On this terrifying moment, we:

FADE TO BLACK.

NARRATOR (VO)
To Be Continued...

END PART II
of
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