THE MIGHTY MORPHIN POWER RANGERS

EPISODE 17

"GREEN WITH EVIL - PART IV"

The Green Ranger Saga Continues...

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RECAP (30 Secs.)
(Note: Scenes from Episodes 14, 15 and 16 will be combined in the 30 sec. RECAP.)

PROLOGUE

FADE IN:

1701. CLOSE ON GLOBE - INSERT JAPANESE FOOTAGE

GIANT GOLDAR continues his rampage through Angel City, destroying buildings with fiery blasts from his eyes. SFX: ALARMS, SIRENS, EXPLOSIONS!

ZACK (VO)
Goldar's blowin' Angel City to bits --!

JASON (VO)
We gotta move!

WIDEN TO REVEAL we are:

1702. INT. COMMAND CENTER - MOMENTS AFTER LAST EPISODE

The Power Rangers (in civilian clothes) are gathered around the Viewing Globe. They take their positions...

JASON
It's morphin' time...

Suddenly, lights begin to FLICKER, the computer begins to FLASH, and the kids don't morph!

KIMBERLY
What's going on?

ZACK
We're not morphing...

BILLY
Alpha, what is it ...?

ON ALPHA

checking the computer readout...

ALPHA
I'm getting a reading...

ALPHA (cont'd)
It's an inter-dimensional power surge caused from the beam trying to locate Zordon. It's temporarily shutting down all sources of energy within the Command Center...

JASON
You mean we can't morph?

ALPHA
Not until the power surge ends...

ZACK
But Goldar's rippin' the city apart...

ALPHA
There's nothing I can do.
(the computer beeps)
And now we've lost the computer, too...

Off the Rangers exasperated faces, we:

CUT TO:

1703. INT. RITA'S PALACE - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

(NOTE: this is additional footage).

A delighted Rita pulls back from her Repulsascope after watching Goldar's rampage.

RITA
(laughs evily) Perfect!

Rita moves toward her balcony. Squatt and Baboo follow her...

RITA (cont'd)
Everything is proceeding as planned!

As she speaks in V.O., we see FOOTAGE of a solar eclipse...

RITA (VO)
I've sent Goldar to earth to lure the Power Rangers and their Megazord out into the open. I'll cast a spell and create a dark sun that will strip away all of Megazord's power!

FOOTAGE shows the collapsing effect an eclipse would have on the Megazord.

RITA (VO CONT'D)
And then the Power Rangers will be defenselss when I send in my Green Ranger! Finally, victory will be mine!

ON RITA

who laughs evily!

CUT TO:

1704. INT. OTHER DIMENSION

The same smokey, dark dimsension we saw in the previous episode. Green Ranger is practicing karate moves...

GREEN RANGER
(loud; angry)
Kai ya! Kai ya!

Rita's voice suddenly interrupts:

RITA (VO)
It won't be too long before I have need of you again, my Green Ranger.

GREEN RANGER
I am ready for battle now, my Empress! Let me crush the Power Rangers!

RITA (VO)
You will, my love. In due time. And then we will rule the earth together... forever! (evil laughter)

GREEN RANGER
(starts laughing evily)

Off their wicked laughter, we:

FADE OUT.

END PROLOGUE

ACT ONE

FADE IN:

1705. EXT. CITY - DAY - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

GIANT GOLDAR continues his rampage on the city, stepping on buildings and kicking them out of the way.

CUT TO:

1705A. INT. COMMAND CENTER

The Power Rangers are gathered around Alpha at the computer companel...

JASON
I don't believe we're stuck here!

ZACK
This has been the worst week in Power Rangers history!

ALPHA
I wish there was something I could --

Suddenly, the lights in the Command Center come back on, as does the computer...

TRINI
We've got power back...

BILLY
We should be able to morph...

KIMBERLY
Then let's do it...

JASON
Alpha, keep looking for Zordon while we handle Goldar...
(then)
It's morphin' time!

STANDARD MORPHING SEQUENCE

1706. EXT. ANGEL GROVE YOUTH CENTER - DAY

A CROWD of KIDS come running out of the gym, screaming and yelling as CAMERA SHAKES, giving the effect of an earthquake.

ON BULK AND SKULL (POV FROM THE INTERIOR OF A BUS)
(Note: the exterior of the bus will be seen in Japanese footage only).

Bulk and Skull separate from the scared crowd and head for the bus, climbing inside...

SKULL
Bulk, whattya doin'? That gold guy's headin' this way!

BULK
Those goody-goody Power Rangers'll stop him. This is the perfect opportunity to take the Youth Center bus for a little joy ride!

SKULL
Yeah! A joy ride!

They both climb in as we:

CUT TO:

1707. ON GOLDAR - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

continuing his destruction of Angel City...

ZACK (VO)
There's "golden boy"...

ON THE RANGERS - STANDING ON THE ROOFTOP

JASON
But first we gotta take care of them...

THREE PUTTIES flip INTO SCENE from above:

KIMBERLY (VO)
Putties!

ONE PUTTY PATROLLER lands in front of Zack and they fight...

ZACK
You guys are always crashin' the party...

PULL OUT TO REVEAL the rest of the Rangers in battle with the Putties.

CUT TO:

A LARGE ROCK rolls in. We see a CU of a SCORPION on the rock as it begins to glow...

SCORPINA (VO)
I'm not on the guest list either...

A GOLDEN BEAM OF LIGHT shoots out of the rock and lands on a nearby roof, transforming into SCORPINA!

SCORPINA (cont'd)
...but I just can't resist such fun!

The wicked beauty leaps from the roof and lands to take up battle with the Rangers.

JASON
I hate to hit a lady!

Scorpina battles with Jason and sends him flying. The other Rangers quickly come to his aid, taking the fighting stance.

BILLY
She's definitely not a lady!

SCORPINA is backed up by BABOO and SQUATT as she throws her boomerang and it flashes and sparks past the Rangers...

SCORPINA
Feel my sting!

The Rangers are knocked off their feet.

RANGERS
(VARIOUS PAINED YELLS)

UPSHOT ON GOLDAR

as he enters, feet first.

GOLDAR
You're no match for me, earthlings!

The Rangers rise to meet the new challenge.

BILLY
Whoa! He's huge!

1706. ON VIEWING GLOBE - INSERT JAPANESE FOOTAGE

Goldar almost steps on the Power Rangers with his enormous foot. The earth SHAKES, knocking the Rangers down to roll on the ground. Off this shot, we PULL BACK to reveal we are:

1708. INT. COMMAND CENTER

Alpha is busily pressing buttons and moving levers on the computer console, desperately trying to locate Zordon.

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi. The Rangers need help, Zordon! They need your guidance. Where are you?

ZORDON (VO)
(static) Alpha? (static) you read me?

ALPHA
(looking up to the screen)
Zordon! Yes, Zordon, I'm picking you up --!

ANGLE - ZORDON'S SCREEN

filled with STATIC. Suddenly we see the faint outline of Zordon's face flickering in the screen.

ZORDON
(static) making contact. (static) sector (static) Q-9. (static) reading me?

Alpha continues to press buttons on the command console...

ALPHA
Zordon! I'm trying!

CUT TO:

1709. INT. RITA'S PALACE - RITA AT THE BALCONY - WIDE SHOT

STOCK FOOTAGE of Rita in her palace

RITA (VO)
(furious)
Green Ranger....

CUT TO:

1710. INT. OTHER DIMENSION

The Green Ranger is still working on his karate when Rita's voice suddenly interrupts:

RITA (VO)
I have work for you!

GREEN RANGER
Is it time to destroy the Power Rangers, Empress?

RITA (VO)
Not yet. But this will be almost as fun!

CUT TO:

1711. INT. COMMAND CENTER - ON ALPHA AND ZORDON'S SCREEN

as Alpha continues working the computer trying to bring Zordon back on screen. Zordon's image still flickers in and out...

ALPHA
We're getting closer, Zordon! The computer is still decoding your coordinates...

ZORDON
(static) hurry Alpha! There's no time (staic).

REVERSE ANGLE

As Alpha frantically works the computer, he is unaware that GREEN RANGER materializes in the control room only a few feet behind him and begins to quietly advance toward Alpha...

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi. I can do it, I can do it, I can do it...!

Green Ranger grabs Alpha from behind and presses the center button on Alpha's chest panel. Alpha jerks and suddenly shuts down...

GREEN RANGER
No, you can't! (evil laughter)

SMASH CUT:

1712. EXT. CITY - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

The Rangers are still on the rooftop when they hear Rita's cackling from above:

RITA (VO)
Ha ha ha...

ANGLE - RITA ON HER BIKE IN THE SKY

RITA (cont'd)
I came to watch the games, Rangers!

ON THE FIVE POWER RANGERS, PUSHING IN ON JASON

JASON
You won't win this fight, Rita!

Goldar throws his sword. It sticks to the ground and knocks the Rangers off their feet...

RITA (VO)
You're so wrong! It's time to have a little fun...

UPSHOT ON RITA, as Jason calls up to her:

JASON
No, Rita --!

ON RITA

who looks to Goldar:

RITA
Goldar...

1713. INSERT - INT. BUS

Skull is behind the wheel, while Bulk is stretched out on the seat next to him.

BULK
Now then, wasn't this a great idea?

SKULL
Yeah. A great idea.

BULK
Now this is the wy to spend a nice afternoon.

1714. BACK TO JAPANESE FOOTAGE

ON GOLDAR, who reaches for the bus coming down the street as he hears:

RITA (VO)
The bus, Goldar. It's your new toy!

He lifts it easily and holds it to his face.

ON POWER RANGERS who look up at the bus in Goldar's hand.

ZACK
Guys, that's the Youth Center bus!

ON GOLDAR

who shakes the bus at them mockingly...

1715. INSERT - INT. BUS

Bulk and Skull toss and turn, screaming like mad:

BULK / SKULL
(Screams of terror)

BULK
Put it in reverse! Put it in reverse!

SKULL
I'm tryin', man! I'm tryin'!

They're jostled from their seats and end up smacking into each other...

1716. ON RITA - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

who addresses the Rangers down below:

RITA
Ha ha ha... say bye-bye to Goldar!

GOLDAR turns and walks away with the bus in hand.

ON THE RANGERS

watching as he walks off.

JASON
We've gotta stop him!

CUT TO:

1717. INT. COMMAND CENTER

CLOSE ON GREEN RANGER

who's looking up at Zordon's screen.

GREEN RANGER
You can't stop me, Zordon!

ON ZORDON'S SCREEN

as his image continues to fade in and out...

ZORDON
Alpha! (static) what's happened?

GREEN RANGER
I'M what's happened, old man. The Green Ranger. Rita's prize warrior!

ZORDON
Green Ranger. You will not win following her dark path!

GREEN RANGER
You are wrong! She has promised me a place by her side for all eternity!

ZORDON
She will betray that promise with time.

GREEN RANGER
Not if I defeat the Power Rangers. I will have her loyalty!

ZORDON
Rita is loyal to no one!

GREEN RANGER
Enough! Prepare to be lost in another dimension, Zordon! This time ... forever!

As Green Ranger's hands lower to the computer console, we:

CUT TO:

1718. EXT. OUTSIDE THE CITY - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

ZOOM IN on Rita and Scorpina who are standing high on a cliff.

RITA
Welcome, Power Rangers!

ON RANGERS looking up to see her.

JASON
There she is!

KIMBERLY
Where's the bus?

CU OF RITA

speaking and pointing OS:

RITA
Take a look ...

ON THE BUS

balancing precariously on a cliff. ZOOM IN on the bus as we hear:

RITA (VO)
It's a real "cliff-hanger"!

1719. INT. BUS - ON BULK AND SKULL - TILTED ANGLE

BULK / SKULL
(LOUD SCREAMS)

BULK
(spitting it out:)
I knew I shouldn'ta let you drive!

1720. ON THE RANGERS

not sure of their next move!

RITA (VO)
Ha ha ha ha ha ha ha...

Off her evil laughter, we:

CUT TO:

1720A. INT. BUS

CLOSE ON BULK AND SKULL - TILTED ANGLE

screaming for dear life.

BULK / SKULL
(LOUD, TERRIFIED SCREAM!)

And we:

FADE OUT.

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

FADE IN:

1721. INSERT - INT. BUS

CLOSE on the scared faces of Bulk and Skull, still holding onto each other for dear life...

BULK / SKULL
(MORE SCREAMS)

BULK
Stop screaming. Stop moving. Stop breathing.... or we're goin' over!

SKULL
(scared)
Yeah, we're goin' over!

Skull holds his breath...

1722. EXT. OUTSIDE THE CITY - JAPANESE FOOTAGE

Moments later. The bus still balances precariously on the cliff.

KIMBERLY (VO)
You guys, look! Bulk and Skull are inside the bus!

1723. ON THE RANGERS

startled by the sight.

TRINI
Oh no...

CU of the bus wheels on the edge.

KIMBERLY (VO)
If we make a move, Squatt and Baboo are gonna send it over...!

ON SQUATT AND BABOO who are using levers, working to send the bus over the edge.

BULK / SKULL (VO)
Help! Help!

CUT TO:

1724. INSERT - INT. BUS

Bulk and Skull are pressed so tight together they can barely breathe.

BULK
(crying)
I want my mommy!

SKULL
(crying)
Yeah! My mommy!

1725. OMIT (SCENE WITH THE PUTTIES)

1725A. ON THE RANGERS

as they head for the bus.

JASON
Let's move...

But they suddenly stop as GIANT GOLDAR comes up over the horizon!

ZACK
We've got company ... again!

Goldar slams his sword down into the ground, sending the Rangers rolling. Moments later they spring to their feet again.

CU ON RITA

RITA
Don't forget the bus ... look!

She again points to the OS bus.

ON THE RANGERS

ZACK
We need Megazord, Jase...

JASON
Right!

They prepare to transform...

ANGLE - SHOT OF SUN BLURRING

BILLY (VO)
Wait! Something's happening to the sun!

QUICK CUTS OF THE RANGERS

TRINI
One of Rita's spells?

ON RITA AND SCORPINA ON THE HILL

RITA
Call Megazord and find out, Rangers!

SMASH CUT:

1726. INT. COMMAND CENTER - ON ZORDON'S SCREEN

where we see Zordon's faint image...

ZORDON
You won't get away with this...

ON GREEN RANGER

behind the computer console, pressing buttons and switches...

GREEN RANGER
Don't make me laugh, Zordon.
It's all over...

As Green Ranger talks, we see Alpha (who's been standing behind Green Ranger in an "OFF" mode this whole time) suddenly light up and come back to life. His hand moves stealthily toward the control panel...

GREEN RANGER
Your little super hero group can't help you now.

ALPHA (VO)
Maybe not...

Stunned, Green Ranger turns to see Alpha alive and activated behind him!

GREEN RANGER
What?

Alpha slams his iron fist down on the control board...

ALPHA
But I can! Computer, activate force field around intruder!

Suddenly, Green Ranger is engulfed in a transparent golden bubble of energy. He tries to escape it, but to no avail.

GREEN RANGER
I thought I turned you off!

ALPHA
You did. But my backup system kicked in.

ZORDON
Alpha, I'm losing you...

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi yi! Zordon....!

GREEN RANGER
(EVIL LAUGH)

CUT TO:

1727. INT. BUS - ECU - BULK AND SKULL

still holding on to each other, faces pressed tight...

BULK
Hold on, Skull!

SKULL
Yeah! Hold on!

1728. EXT. ANGLE - ON RANGERS

who call on their zords...

RANGERS
Power Zords, Activate!

ON RITA

RITA
Finish it off, Baboo!

ON BABOO

he nods and pushes the bus over!

ON POWER RANGERS

leaping into the air to form the Megazord.

ON JASON

JASON
Megazord arise!

MEGAZORD rises!

RANGERS
Power Rangers!

ON BUS

as it plunges over the cliff!

BULK / SKULL (VO)
(LOUD SCREAM)

MEGAZORD catches the bus and places it safely on the cliff.

1729. INSERT - INT. BUS

Skull is kissing the aisleway of the bus, while Bulk is on his knees:

BULK
I'll never never never never steal a bus again!

SKULL
Yeah, next time steal an airplane, dork head!

CUT TO:

1730. MEGAZORD and GIANT GOLDAR get down to the business of a serious sword fight.

ANGLE - SUN

partially covered!

ON MEGAZORD AND GOLDAR as the fight continues. Megazord gets a good kick in on Goldar and he falls to the ground.

ON RITA

she panics and sends in Scorpina!

RITA
Scorpina! Get him!

Scorpina nods and leaps into the fray.

ON RITA as she incants amd throws her wand.

RITA
Blood boils and goodness dies
when Scorpina grows ten times her size!

The WAND lands and sparks as the earth cracks beneath it.

SCORPINA glows and transforms into GIANT SCORPINA!

INT. MEGAZORD

the Rangers reacts to Scorpina.

JASON
Look!

BILLY
Two against one!

ZACK
I don't like this.

SCORPINA and GOLDAR gang up on Megazord. He fights back bravely.

ANGLE - ON SUN

as the "eclipse" continues!

ON MEGAZORD continuing the battle, but the coming of the dark sun is causing him to noticeable weaken!

INT. COCKPIT - ON JASON

JASON
We're losing strength!

ON SCORPINA jumping and coming down hard, knocking Megazord down!

CU ON SUN - completely overtaken by the "dark sun".

RITA
Megazord looks lovely in my sun!

ZOOM IN ON MEGAZORD on the ground.

KIMBERLY
What's happening?

INT. COCKPIT

The Rangers struggle to keep Megazord going.

JASON
We need the mega-sword!

CU ON THE SUN

JASON (VO)
It might break Rita's spell...

INT. COCKPIT - ON JASON

JASON (cont'd)
Alpha, do you read me? Come in, Alpha!

CUT TO:

1731. INT. COMMAND CENTER - CONTINUOUS

ON ALPHA AT THE CONTROL PANEL - working feverishly to establish Zordon.

JASON (VO)
Alpha, it's Jason, do you read me?

ALPHA
Ay yi yi yi yi! So much is happening!

ON ZORDON whose image begins to dim...

ZORDON
Help the Rangers, Alpha...

ALPHA
But I'll lose you...

ZORDON
They (static) need you, Alpha...

Zordon image completely FADES and the screen returns to static.

ON GREEN RANGER AND ALPHA

Green Ranger, still trapped in the force field next to Alpha, smiles at Zordon's disappearance..

GREEN RANGER
Ha ha ha ha! Zordon's been destroyed!

ALPHA
(ignoring Green Ranger)
Yes, Rangers, I'm reading you...

JASON (VO)
We need the mega-sword, Alpha!

ALPHA
On its way...

Alpha starts pushing buttons as we:

CUT TO:

1732. EXT. OUTSIDE OF CITY - CONTINUOUS

UPSHOT ON THE SKY as the Mega-Power Sword drops in from above into Megazord's hand. Rising to his feet, he enters the battle once again and knocks Scorpina off her feet.

INT. COCKPIT - Jason is thrilled.

JASON
Yes! Alpha, you're the best!

ON MEGAZORD

reacting, looking toward Rita O.S.

RITA (VO)
Curse the Rangers
of goodness and light...

CU ON RITA

RITA
Bring me MY Ranger...

She waves her arm...

The GROUND explodes in a show of energy...

RITA (VO)
...My evil Green Knight!

CUT TO:

1733. INT. COMMAND CENTER - CONTINUOUS

Alpha has his back to Green Ranger, looking up at Zordon's snow-filled screen.

GREEN RANGER
(taunting)
What's the matter, you little mechanical misfit? Are you gonna cry because Zordon's gone? (laughs) Then you'll turn to rust! (evil laughter)

Alpha slowly turns to face the Green Ranger.

ALPHA
You are truly evil, Green Ranger. It's time to find out who's behind that mask...

Suddenly, Green Ranger begins to GLOW GREEN...

GREEN RANGER
Better luck next time, tin man. Duty calls!

And he DISAPPEARS IN A FLASH OF GREEN....

CUT TO:

1734. EXT. OUTSIDE CITY - CONTINUOUS

Green Ranger walks out of a misty haze...

GREEN RANGER
Finally...

INT. COCKPIT

Jason is amazed at what he sees.

JASON
It's Green Ranger! Giant sized!

GREEN RANGER keeps coming at Megazord...

GREEN RANGER
This is the final showdown!

Green Ranger jumps at Megazord and they fight.

INT. COCKPIT

the Rangers are having a terrible time keeping Megazord on his feet.

JASON
Megazord's losing it!

KIMBERLY (VO)
Hang in there, big guy!

MEGAZORD AND GREEN RANGER continue to fight.

INT. COCKPIT

ZACK
He's doin' some serious damage!

JASON
We're at half power...

EXT. THE BATTLE CONTINUES

Scorpina and Goldar ENTER THE SCENE...

BILLY (VO)
And the gang's all here!

ON RITA

RITA
I love an unfair fight!

Scorpina stings Megazord and he glows from the blow.

INT. COCKPIT

the Rangers lurch!

ZACK
Buzz off, Scorpina!

ON GOLDAR AND GREEN RANGER

combining the power of their swords, aiming them at Megazord...

BILLY (VO)
Shields are down...

ON MEGAZORD

exploding from the impact!

INT. COCKPIT

all hell breaks loose!

KIMBERLY
We're going down!

EXT. ANGLE ON THE GROUND

as the earth opens to reveal a fiery pit!

JASON (VO)
Let's bail!

THE POWER RANGERS tumble from the sky as they bail out...

RITA (VO)
Ha ha ha ha ha...

ON MEGAZORD

who falls into the fiery pit and comes apart. Each individual Zord sinks into the fiery depths and disappears!

ON THE SUN

the eclipse is over now -- but it's too late!

RITA (VO)
My spell worked!

ON RITA

who shouts in victory!

RITA
I win!!

And then she disappears!

FADE OUT.

RITA (VO)
(Evil laughter....)

END ACT TWO

EPILOGUE

FADE IN:

1735. INT. COMMAND CENTER

CLOSE on JASON in his civilian identity...

JASON
It's over, Alpha. Rita's won.

PULL BACK to reveal the other Rangers (also in civilian clothes) standing behind Jason, backing him up in this very dramatic moment. Their mood is somber; their energy low.

JASON (cont'd)
The Power Rangers are history.

ALPHA
Rangers, you can't give up...

KIMBERLY
Why shouldn't we? Zordon's gone. The Megazord's been destroyed. And we're outmatched.

ALPHA
But there's always a chance --

BILLY
I've figured every probable outcome and have deduced there is less than a ten percent chance we'll defeat Rita.

ALPHA
But isn't the smallest chance of victory enough reason to keep fighting? The world needs you, Rangers.

ZACK
Let's face it. The Green Ranger was Rita's trump card. She played it, and she won.

ALPHA
No, Rangers. I cannot accept that. Zordon would not accept that.

TRINI
But Zordon's not here, is he Alpha?

JASON
Our decision is made. It's over.
The Power Rangers are finished.

Suddenly, the control panel BLEEPS and flashes.

ZACK
What's going on?

Alpha turns to the command console...

ALPHA
The computer finally has an answer...

JASON
An answer for what?

ALPHA
(pressing buttons)
When Green Ranger was caught in the force field, the computer locked onto his genetic code. It's been running his DNA through the system, trying to make a match...

The kids push in around Alpha...

BILLY
You mean, the computer knows Green Ranger's identity?

ALPHA
Yes.

BILLY
Computer -- present holographic image of Green Ranger's identity...

COMPUTER (VO)
Complying...

We HEAR an OS WHOOSHING SOUND followed by a bright OS light as...

TRINI
Finally, we can find out who it --

CLOSE ON TRINI, BILLY, KIMBERLY, JASON, ZACK

as their eyes open wide in disbelief, staring at the answer OS:

ZACK
Oh, man --

JASON
No way.

KIMBERLY
I don't believe it --

ANGLE - ON HOLGRAPHIC IMAGE OF TOMMY (SFX: GLOWING) standing still before them. CAMERA TRUCKS IN on his face...

KIMBERLY (VO)
Tommy?

ANGLE - ON RANGERS

as the CAMERA TRUCKS IN on Kimberly's shocked expression.

On this incredible moment, we:

FADE TO BLACK.

NARRATOR (VO)
To Be Continued...

END PART IV
of
"The Green Ranger Saga"

NEXT: Will the Power Rangers don their costumes once again?
Will Rita's spell over Tommy be broken?
Is Zordon lost forever?

Find out in "Green With Evil - Part V", the thrilling conclusion of the Green Ranger Saga!