"The Clog"

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1 INT. BATHROOM - AFTERNOON

1

An everyday bathroom.

JOE, a 20-ish plumber in coveralls, flushes the toilet and sees that it is still clogged. He picks up his snake and twists it deeper and deeper into the bowl.

DISSOLVE TO:

2 INT. KITCHEN - MOMENTS LATER

2

MRS. HENDERSON, a middle-aged homemaker in a floral apron, is enjoying a cup of tea at her kitchen table when she hears a piercing scream.

JOE (screams from upstairs)

A loud splash.

She rushes into her adjacent living room and calls upstairs.

MRS. HENDERSON

Joe?

(beat)

Are you alright?

No response. She quickly starts up her stairs.

DISSOLVE TO:

3 INT. ALIEN BATHROOM - LATER

3

EZ, a multi-eyed and triple-armed alien plumber, is at work on a clogged sonic toilet. It, of course, looks different from a human commode, but is unmistakably a toilet.

He speaks to the female alien homemaker beside him as he begins retracting his snake. She also has three arms and several eyes.

EZ

It's coming.

We focus on the female alien as we hear something large coming through the toilet water. She turns away hurriedly.

3

3 CONTINUED:

Attached to Ez's snake is the broken and soaked body of Joe, his broken arms and legs hanging limply from his mangled torso. Ez sees the patch on his shirt: "Joe's Plumbing." He lays the remains down on the bathroom floor.

EZ

(beat)
Boy, that was a deep clog!

FADE TO BLACK.