

## LOST SEASON 6 EPISODE 9

### TITLE: *Ab Aeterno*

The translation from our friend Wikipedia states:

Literally, "from the everlasting" or "from eternity". Thus, "from time immemorial", "since the beginning of time" or "from an infinitely remote time in the past". In theology, often indicates something, such as the universe, that was created outside of time.

1. This is the episode I have been waiting for. Easily in the top five and rivals Desmond and Penny's episode "The Constant" for my favorite. It looks like there is an epic battle between good (Jacob) and evil (The Man in Black) for the souls of our Lost pals.
2. I am going to have to give you the big list of Bible references now, so get ready for some "churchin"
  - The story this is most starting to resemble from the Bible is Job. God and Satan argue if Job will lose his faith if pushed enough. God wins the little bet. The white or black rocks seem to be point markers for who has captured the most souls. When Sawyer joined The Man in Black's side, he took a white rock off the scale and hurled it into the ocean. (Speaking of which, how the hell did Sawyer get out of that cave anyway?) Oh, and let's not forget the boat is called the Blackrock. Get it? Black Rock? There you go! You catch on quick!
  - Richard was reading Luke 4:24 in prison. "And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country." This chapter in Luke is when Jesus went out to the desert and was tempted by the Devil. Are you starting to catch the theme here?
  - Jacob grants Richard eternal life. Very God-ish of him.
  - Jacob says that he brings people here to prove the Man in Black wrong when he says that every person can be corrupted. He said he does not interfere because he wants people to know the difference between right and wrong without any interference from him. Giving humans free will is also very God-ish.
  - Jacob seems to be giving Richard one hell of a violent Baptism where he learns he is not dead (or some could say he is reborn.)



3. Let's discuss Richard's homeland in the Canary Islands and why it is fun. Seven Islands make up the Canary Islands, but there is a legend that an eighth island exists. It even has a name. It is called St. Brenan Island. The island has been "seen" a bunch of times by many people. There are also old maps that include the 8<sup>th</sup> island on it, but no proof that it exists has been found.
4. One more fun fact about the Canary Islands. Richard is from Tenerife. The deadliest disaster in aviation history occurred there in 1977. Pan Am 1736 collided midair with the fully fueled KLM 4805 flight in heavy fog. There were 583 fatalities between the two flights. Amazingly, there were also 61 survivors all from the Pan Am flight.
5. This was the first episode of this season to go back to the old flashback format. There was no flash sideways. Also, after they flashed back, they stayed with that story until the very end. The episode also went an extra 5 minutes. This was the ninth time Lost has gone over their allotted hour.
6. The Anubis statue was destroyed by the Block Rock when Jacob brought them to the island. Another biblical argument could be made here about destroying false gods.



7. When Jacob visits Ilana at the beginning of the episode he is speaking to her in Russian.
8. The Man in Black tells Richard to kill Jacob with the same exact instructions used by Dogen when he told Sayid how to kill The Man in Black.
9. Magnus Hanso was the captain of the Blackrock. After the boat crashes one of the crew yell out, "Captain Hanso is dead!". Charles Widmore bought the ledger of the Blackrock in an auction. Alvar Hanso is the CEO of the Hanso Group and the Great Grandson of Magnus. The Hanso Group funded the Dharma Initiative.
10. When Libby walked in on Michael killing Ana Lucia, she was carrying a pile of blankets. When the servant walked in on Richard standing over the dead Doctor he was also carrying blankets. I think we all know what that means! No... wait... that is pretty pointless... nevermind...



11. And finally we all know what the island is so we don't have to watch anymore. Just as I knew all along, the island is a cork. So now that we are all clear, this will be the last update. What more do you need to know? It's a cork. It was blatantly obvious the whole time if you ask me.



Let's give the best line to Richard before the first commercial break that made us all go  
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"You wanna know something Jack? You're dead. You're all dead. And you're all in hell!"