

A Good Man (Working title)

Synopsis (short)

Having lived an incompetent life to the age nearing mid 40s, GOODMAN faces an unexpected accident leading to a life of amnesia and a rare side effect that prevents his body from producing fear hormones. After the accident, his complicated family conflicts escalates and GOODMAN is eventually abandoned by his family—picking up random blue collar jobs here and there, throwing away his life to alcohol and drugs, and gradually becomes a wreck. GOODMAN begins to live his life on the edge in attempts to overcome his wrecked life—but only plummets downhill until he receives the help from his friends and becomes his ordinary self again. However, at the late age, all of GOODMAN’s friends are also suffering from irreparable damage in their families—and in recognizing all the worst of realities that occurred while he was gone, GOODMAN suggests that they all escape to Costa Rica to find their freedom. Due to the common issues in the modern society, GOODMAN and his exhausted friends prepare to leave the country—but are faced with the worsts of realities and the dilemmas life brings. In reconciling with the reality, GOODMAN’s friends and their families tragically kill each other or are killed—and only GOODMAN leaves the mess and drives away.

Synopsis (Long)

GOODMAN, nearing the age of mid 40s, had never been able to financially support his family and had always relied on his wife’s income. Also living a life of an alcoholic, GOODMAN was never really acknowledged by his in-laws or gained respect from his children and wife. At his late age, he begins to study accounting, but does not seem even slightly motivated—and wastes most of his free time helping out or doing odd chores at his in-laws. Recognizing his helpless situation and contempt from the in-law families, GOODMAN attempts to drink his problems away. Sadly, GOODMAN’s three oldest and closest friends seem to be in similar irreparable situations—and upon seeing that they no longer have the youth, enthusiasm, or passion for life—GOODMAN and his friends struggle to escape the sorrow and suffering caused by their families during their mid-life crisis.

One of those days, GOODMAN suspects something out of ordinary—only to receive the confession that his wife had been cheating. Upon feeling more regretful than ever, GOODMAN encounters the unexpected accident that brings the blow to the back of his head, causing a severe case of amnesia and a rare side effect that prevents the body from producing fear hormones. The accident serves as a turning point for GOODMAN, who had always been submissive and fearful. Unable to relate to feelings of fear, GOODMAN voluntarily leaves his family and in-laws, rejoices as he lives in his complete freedom and excessive indulgences. Living alone in a shabby apartment, GOODMAN falls deeply into a bad drug cycle after his first accidental encounter. Even the part time job at the bakery that was barely holding his life together had fallen apart. For a while after that, GOODMAN picked up odd and simple jobs here and there, just working enough to eat and sleep for the night; but nothing good ever stayed before he was soon kicked out again. Eventually when GOODMAN becomes completely homeless, he becomes a severe alcohol and drug addict. His health fails drastically and GOODMAN faints out on the streets.

Upon opening his eyes, GOODMAN finds himself at the hospital. He receives direct attention and help from his old friend’s wife at the drug rehabilitation center and recovers quickly. GOODMAN discovers that during the time of his relapse, his friends’ family crises had deteriorated to point of no return, and reveals his plan to escape to Costa Rica to his friends. No one knows whether it is an escape from reality or an attempt to find utopia—but his friends who had long been exposed to the cruel issues of modern

society, readily accepted the request for escape. Minho, the man who had been scammed by his wife who attempted to get a free heart surgery on behalf of state benefit assistance after a fake divorce—Hyungsoo, whose ex-wife came back for half of his money because they were never officially divorced—Hyunsik, who had always lived a painfully suffocating life under his wife’s tyranny and had gotten psychosis such as aphasia and panic disorders—and GOODMAN. The four of them prepare for an escape from reality.

Hyungsoo finds his ex-wife to ask for some money for the desperately needed heart surgery, but only receives a diabolical rant and assault that leads to his unexpected death. GOODMAN is unable to cope with the death of his friend and turns to slaughter the gang who had been bothering his coworker who had been preparing GOODMAN’s fake passport and supplying him with drugs. GOODMAN also unexpectedly kills his friends’ families who had been opposing the trip to Costa Rica. Moreover, it is revealed that GOODMAN’s amnesia had been staged from the beginning—which GOODMAN uses to easily abandon his family and commit crimes. After another very thoroughly staged slaughter, GOODMAN is on the road to escape with blood stained money at his side.