

It was just 5 minutes to midnight when the light went out, we thought it was nothing special since power tends to go out in our area a lot, the ones of us that had a generator just used it, unfortunately for me it wasn't the case since it was broken and might be what saved me... I wasn't doing anything special, I was just playing some video games. Since the power was out I simply went to bed and decided the power outage was pass, that's when a lightning struck, it sounded really close so I went to the window. The sky was totally clear, there was not a single cloud, but sadly it didn't take long before I heard a fire truck, I never got to know why, and I never will, but anyways, the lights on people's houses started to go out, this was awkward because they were on generators, it was impossible for the entire town's generators to fail at basically the same time. The strangest thing was light in the middle of town that was still up. I still went to sleep anyways, only to wake up at 2 am by a scream, that's when I saw a bright light outside, half of the town was burning down and the houses that weren't burning yet, had their windows broken. I grabbed what I could of the essentials and I packed up to leave, that's when my house caught fire and I just made a run for it.

As I was running, I saw red eyes in the houses, staring at me as I rushed past them, and I won't forget about one house where I saw 3 smiles as well, and just as I left the town, I blacked out... I have no idea what happened but in the morning, I woke up in my burned down bed alongside some rumble of the house and the words "you're not one of them, yet" written on the wall with red paint. I didn't think twice and I just ran out of town again, and this time I managed to. A few days later I saw on the news that the town had burned down with no survivors and no bodies were found anywhere except for one, saw a picture of myself just outside of town, laying on the ground and pale, but that couldn't be me, it was impossible! People started staring at me as the news passed by, as I looked at the journal to take a cover look at the photo I saw the text "run" written beside the photo, it wasn't there and no one had touched the journal but me... I got up, packed and made my way back to town to check the place of the photo, and that's where I saw myself, laying on the floor, and as I looked into the town, I saw a strange figure approaching me, saying that I was given a second chance to start all over, that's when my body got up by itself and I saw shadows coming from every house and moving towards the sky as they vanish and suddenly, everything went black again... I woke up in a hospital ICU some time later I guess, I was alive, but what happened in that town never left me and never will...

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