

Dan: Hello, listeners. This podcast will be quote 'special' as we have three versions of James here from three different universes, one version being very nice.

Ben: Fascinating stuff.

Dan: Yes, the only reason the nice version of James is so nice is because I didn't cover his eyes at the very moment the year 2,000 started AS A JOKE.

James: A bad joke...

Dan: Needless to say James's ISN'T the nice version of James.

James: Oh that's definitely not me. No, no, no.

Dan: I know, James.

Simon: And whilst I DID see the start of the new millennium, I didn't feel like I appreciated it as much as I could have done, so I too am and filled with regret and consequently am an asshole.

Ben: You seem perfectly normal...

Simon: Dan's a fool.

Ben: Ahhhhhh...

Simon: Told you.

Dan: This really is hell, isn't it?

Fred: I'm so sorry you feel that way.

Dan: And of course, Fred who you just heard is the nice version of James.

Ben: Salt of the earth...

Fred: And I'm very, very nice, apparently because Dan here didn't stop me from seeing the first second of the year 2,000.

Ben: This is really crazy.

Fred: This is a crazy situation you say, Ben? And may I ask why that is, if it's not too much trouble?

Ben: I mean... three James's here... How is that not crazy?

Fred: I'm sorry you feel that way as well. You don't feel that way do you, Dan? Please say you don't.

Dan: I do find this situation very strange, yes...

Fred: I feel deeply saddened. Please let me buy you something nice after this show.

James: Fred's a weirdo...

Fred: Please let me do something to make things right between us, James.

Dan: Well surprise, surprise, James loves James.

James: I don't love James or any version of him, I'm not arguing with him simply because if I did, I'd feel weird.

Ben: Please argue with him, I want to see what happens.

James: Ok. Fred, you're an idiot.

Fred: I'm sorry you feel that way.

James: Yep, I'm definitely feeling weird.

Fred: I'm sorry you feel that way.

Simon: Would you still feel sorry if James punched you?

Fred: Of course. I wouldn't want to make him that angry...

(A thudding sound is heard)

Fred: Ow!

James: Are you sorry you feel that way?

Fred: Kinda.

Simon: He's moving in the right direction at least. Hit him again.

(Another thud is heard)

Fred: Right, that does it! I'm not buying a new car for you now!

Simon: Sorry, what?

Fred: Kidding! Of course I will!

Dan: Fred, you're starting to annoy me now.

Fred: I'm sorry you f...

Dan: NO! You are NOT a nice person if you do ANYTHING for James or Simon, do you understand???

Fred: Do I understand? A little help, please.

Dan: You can't be nice to everyone! What happens if someone wearing a mask bursts into this room and robs everybody?

Fred: I'd be sorry he felt that w...

Dan: NO! You'd need to call the police, Fred.

Fred The police?

Dan: Yes!

Fred: No champaign for him? No Belgian chocolates?

Dan: No!

Fred: I'm just saying, if the hypothetical robber was just shown love in his childhood, if he saw the first second of the year 2,000, maybe he wouldn't feel the need to rob others...

James: I get what you mean...

Ben: Dan, what are you doing?

Dan: What am I doing? I'm pulling out a mask from my pocket that I was going to save for when I robbed James's house after the show. Now I'm going to put it on so I can rob Fred, and see how he reacts. Fred, give me all your money. And if you say 'I'm sorry you feel that way' I'll kill you.

Fred: May I ask what the point of you wearing a mask is, if I know what you look like already?

Dan: Oh that's such a James thing to say! I threaten you the ONE time and look how your behaviour changes!

Fred: My behaviour hasn't changed, I'm just questioning the logic, that's all...

James: Fred makes a good point, Dan.

Simon: Admitting you were going to commit a crime live on air was a particularly strange thing to do...

Dan: Whoops.

Fred: Maybe you'd like to speak to my brother Helmut? He's a lawyer, and as he too saw the start of the year 2,000, he's a really levelheaded and great guy, too.

Dan: If he acts like you, no I don't.

Fred: Are you depressed or something? If so, maybe speak to my cousin Bernd? He's the best psychologist in country... Again, because he saw the start of the year 2,000.

Dan: Do you have any relatives that missed out on the start of the year?

Fred: Yes, they're all in jail.

Ben: You have quite the family...

Fred: Yes, they all have OSD.

Dan: If seeing the year 2,000 was the best day of your life, what was your second favourite day?

Fred: My life is filled with meaning, as when I see the start of any new day, I get so excited I pass out. It looks like I'm just sleeping, which is why I don't attract the attention of health professionals. It's perfect.

Dan: Until now...

Fred: Nope, after this podcast I will be travelling back to my own universe.

Dan: Can I come?

Fred: Oh you wouldn't like it there.

Dan: Why not?

Fred: People consider covering people's eyes during an exciting number a serious crime, which is why people are so happy there.

Dan: No way.

Fred: Yep. We're talking 20 years in jail...

Dan: I don't believe you!

Fred: That's the price of happiness, I'm afraid.

Ben: Sounds like hell to me. What other wacky laws are over there?

Fred: Stopping a policeman from seeing the start of a new year will get you life.

Ben: Why??

Fred: You have to respect the law!

Dan: Well this is all very fascinating, but we're running out of time. Is there anything

else you'd like to say Fred? Or maybe Simon? Not you, James.

Fred: Thank you for having me!

Simon: Bye!