Jesus' Army By Naomi Noir

Genre:

Black Comedy. "Dogma" meets "Shaun of the Dead"

Summary:

Jesus comes back and no one recognizes him, so he raises an army of the pious undead (puritan zombies) to rid the world of evil and create heaven on earth. Perfect plan, if it weren't for one awkward teenager and his misfit gang who decide to find the Anti-Christ, Marilyn Manson, and convince him will help them to fight off the zombies and ultimately have a showdown with Jesus himself.

Main Characters:

-JACK, 17. Blue-haired Anarchist is a social outcast, and proud. He is an excellent hacker as well.

-JANEL, 16. Tries to take up as little space as possible and hardly ever speaks. She's always writing in her journals, mostly about how totally in love with Jack she is but is too afraid to tell him. Jack is totally unaware of Janel's feeling for him as he is so self-absorbed.

-MIKEY, 18. Tries way too hard to fit in and be cool. He is obsessed with every goth/indusrtial/punk band ever, including Marilyn Manson. He is overweight and not very attractive. He is also totally in love with Janel, but hides his true affection with dirty jokes and sexual innuendos.

Central conflict:

Can Jack, Janel, and Mikey get to Marilyn Manson in time to stop Jesus and his army?

Opening:

Jesus arrives in Las Vegas for the second coming, but no one recognizes him. Thrown in jail to sober up he raises an army of the pious undead (nuns, monks, Mormons...) to break him out and rid the world of evil to create heaven on earth. The zombies come from the ground as skeletons, but with each sinner's brain they devour, they regain some flesh from their former bodies. They eat everyone in Vegas.

General Outline:

There is a media frenzy and the conservative, Christian president of the United States holds a press conference stating that he will fly to Las Vegas and welcome Jesus. Among the viewers all over the world are three punk/emo teenagers, Jack, Janel, and Mikey: The president's brains are eaten out on national television for being a warmonger.

Mass panic ensues.

Upon discovering that zombies can't enter a house of sin, people create a protective barrier by pouring alcohol, cocaine, and other narcotics over door thresholds, hiding out in the whorehouses of the Netherlands, New Orleans blues bars, etc.

On a Hollywood set in Los Angles, the teenagers decide to venture out and find the anti-Christ, Marilyn Manson, to defeat Jesus and his army. Jack and Mikey use their hacking skills and music knowledge to cyber stalk Manson and find where he is hiding out. They set out in a van to his house, but they run out of gas and are kidnapped by a group of Christians who are trying to save as many sinners as they can by converting them.

Meanwhile, some of the upper class sinners like lawyers and bankers don't want to be associated with murderers and thieves and so the sinners turn against each other, taking bribes and assonating their own.

The teenagers dress as zombies to escape the Christians and finally make it to Manson's fortified house, but when they try to talk to him they are removed by security. Janel is given a makeover to look like a hot groupie in order to get his attention. It works, but she fails at convincing him of what has to be done.

Upon returning defeated to the Hollywood studio they find a full blown war between the sinners. Amidst the fighting, Zombies attack. When all seems lost Marilyn Manson shows up.

Under his leadership the sinners are united into a vast army. They face Jesus and his zombies and an epic battle ensues. They are vastly outnumbered until the Buddha zombie brings the zombies who don't want to help Jesus and the living non-violent Buddhists to aid them. There are bones crumbling and brains flying everywhere. Jesus and Manson are engaged in a spectacular battle when Manson slips on some brains and falls. Jesus is about to bring the final blow when a great booming voice stops everyone in their tracks.

It is God.

He reprimands Jesus for messing with his experiment and says he'll have to throw out the data and start all over again with a different world. Janel convinces him otherwise by professing her love to Jack and showing God that there is something worth saving. God says the data is too corrupt, so he'll have to abandon them to fend for themselves.

Most agree this is a better option that being blown to bits.

God tells Jesus to clean up his mess, apologize, and get back home because he's grounded. Jesus makes the zombies sink back into the ground to cries of "Hey!," "That's not fair," and "I stayed a virgin for this?" Then Jesus turns to everyone, head down and mumbles "sorry" before being sucked up into the clouds.

Closing:

In the aftermath of the battle Jack and Janel sit next to each other surrounded by blood and gore. They hold hands.