

wants him to do. SAM hesitates a moment and then relents.)

**SAM**

So Carl, what did the doctor say?

**CARL**

He said it was contagious. Very contagious. I shouldn't be going to work today.

*(he coughs loudly)*

But what could I do?

*(He sneezes--people in the elevator freeze)*

**SAM**

What about the rash?

**CARL**

The rash? Not good. It's spreading everywhere.

**SAM**

On your genitals again?

**CARL**

Everywhere.

*(he rubs his backside)*

He said be sure not to touch anyone.

*(We see people trying to inch away. CARL coughs again and touches the woman next to him. She recoils.)*

**CARL**

Oh, I'm so sorry. That's going to itch.

*(The elevator stops at the next floor. SAM and CARL get off. Laughing, they enter a large office.)*

**ENSEMBLE**

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