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The Model Maker

This one should be more convincing than my last. Coarse sandpaper will work for the dry wash, cut and roughed a bit to be more like adobe. I'll place the two miniature outbuildings there, their color is too orange but it's a night scene that I want and besides, the dull green nylon mesh I'll use to construct the enclosing box will create an illusion of distance. The trailer—god how I love this trailer, I'm proud of my paint job, the stock plastic windows now glow with a dirt dim yellow, there can be no doubt that a single incandescent bulb burns. And no one would doubt that one of them sleeps, one is awake, one is unknown.

It's done. Tiny truck tires are piled in a heap. Oil drums made from swiped electrical components lie scattered around the compound. And in the simulated glare of an emergency outdoor light, the silhouette of a man, cut out of thin black cardboard. I can store this away now, up in the loft at the back of my garage, next to the others.

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