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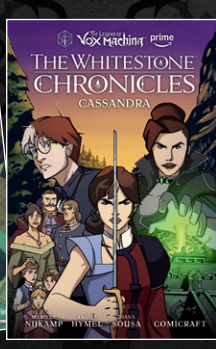
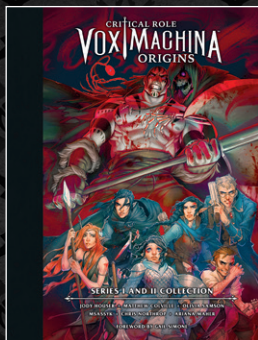
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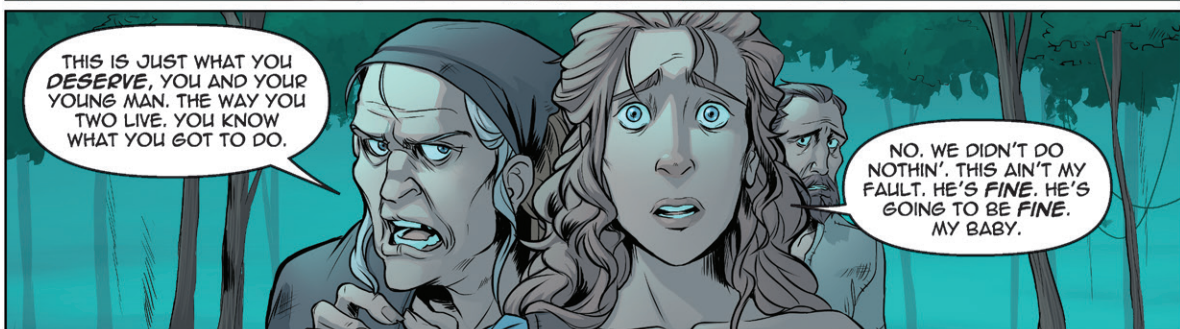
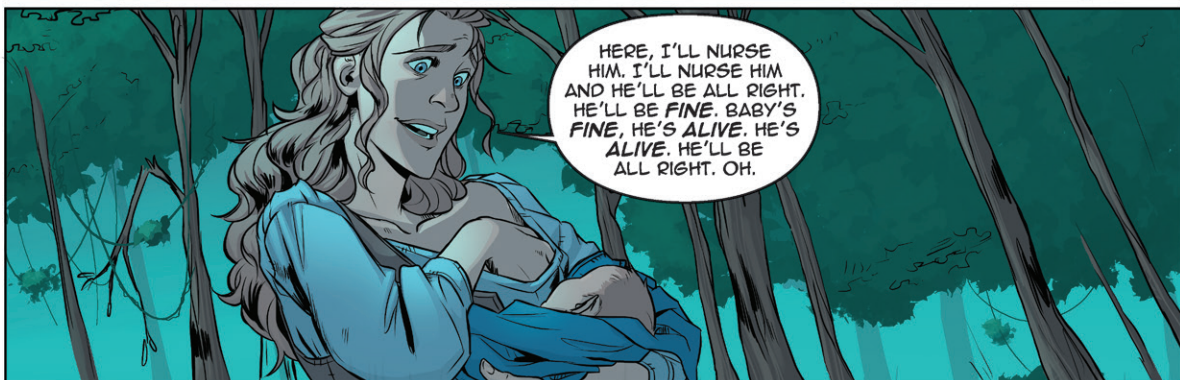
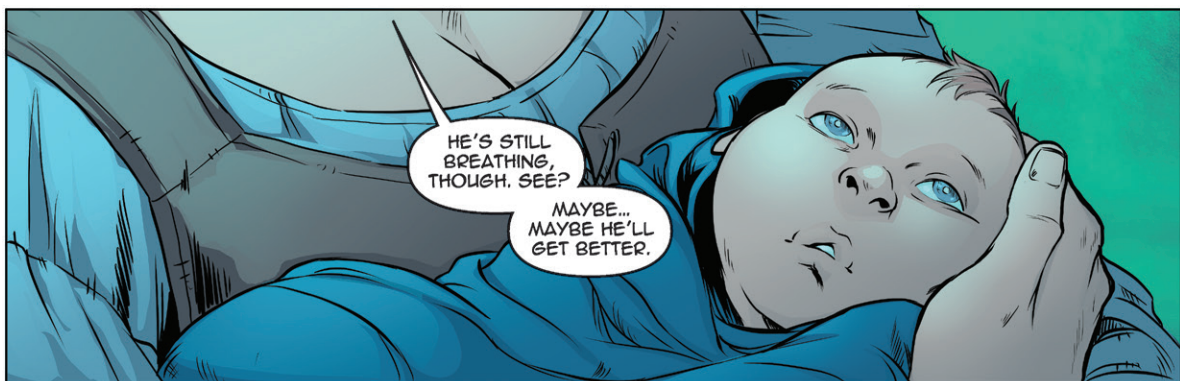
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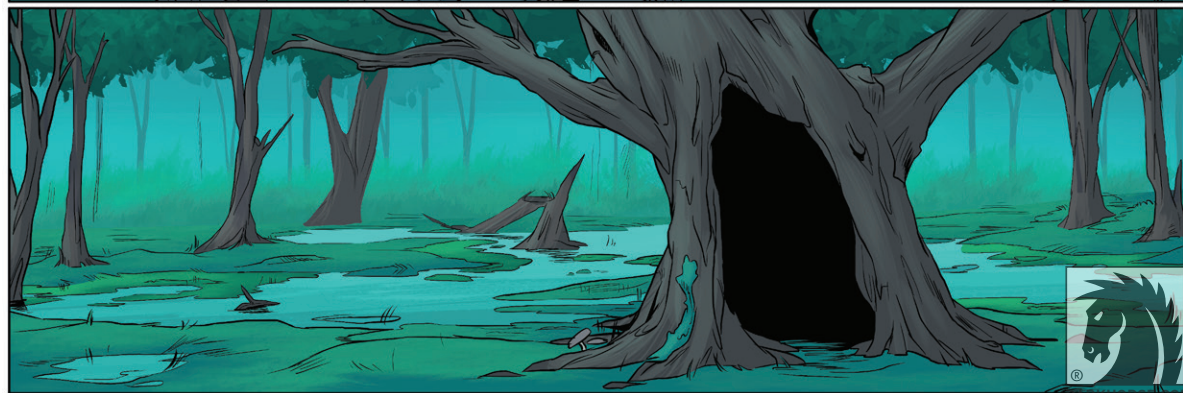
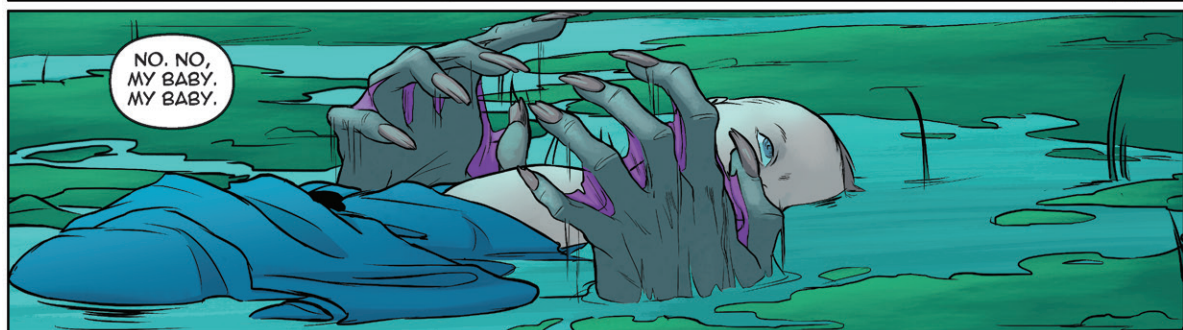
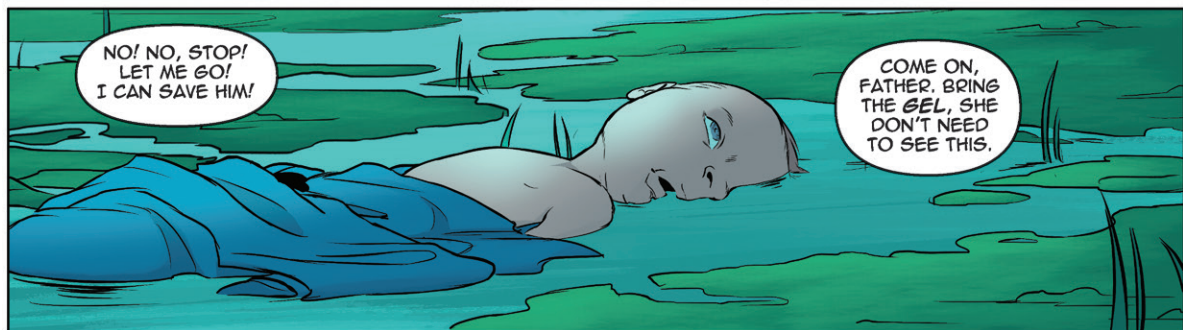
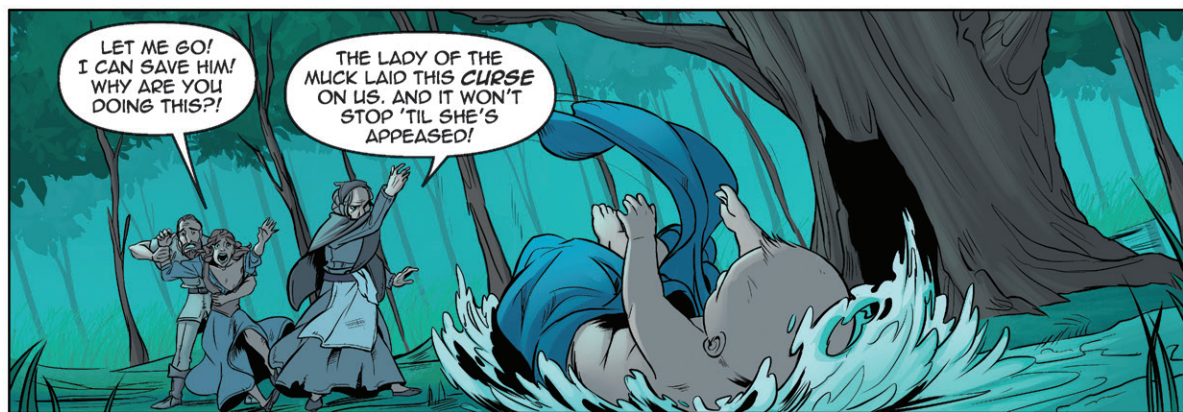
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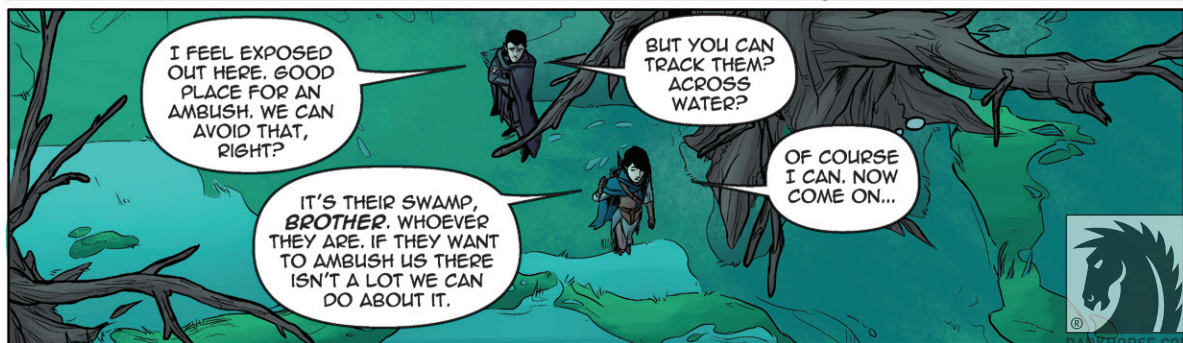
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GET PAID, AND GET
OUT OF HERE.

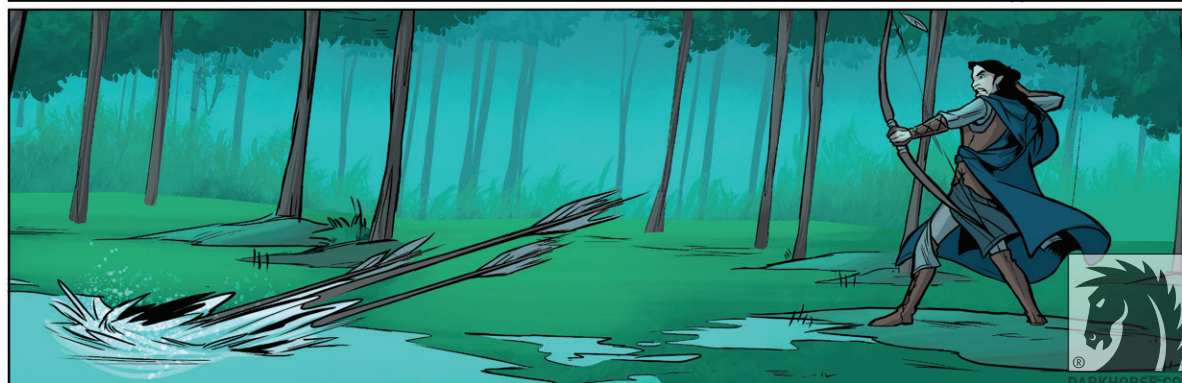
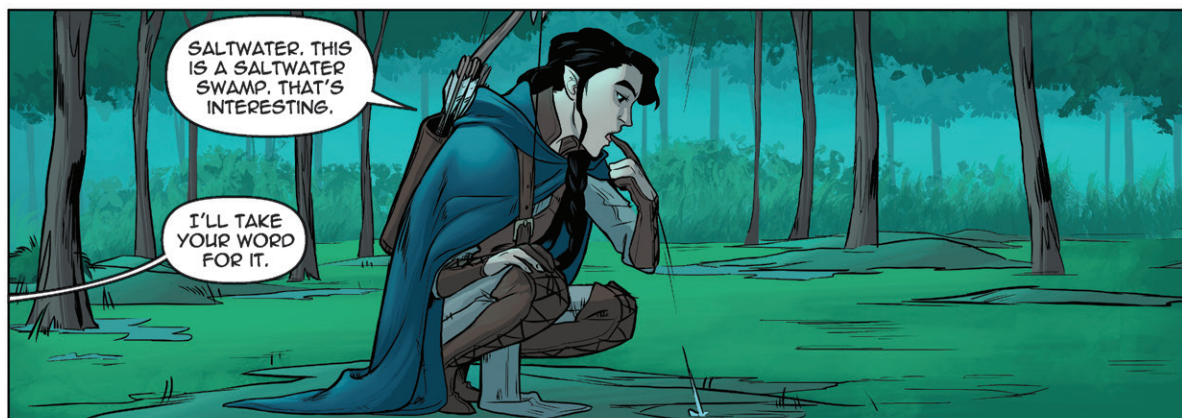
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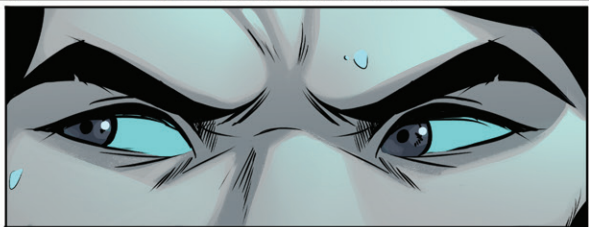
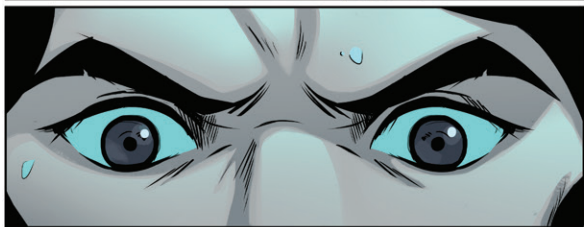
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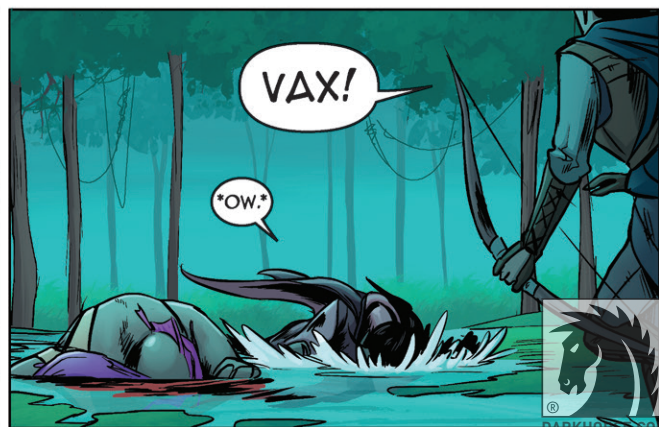
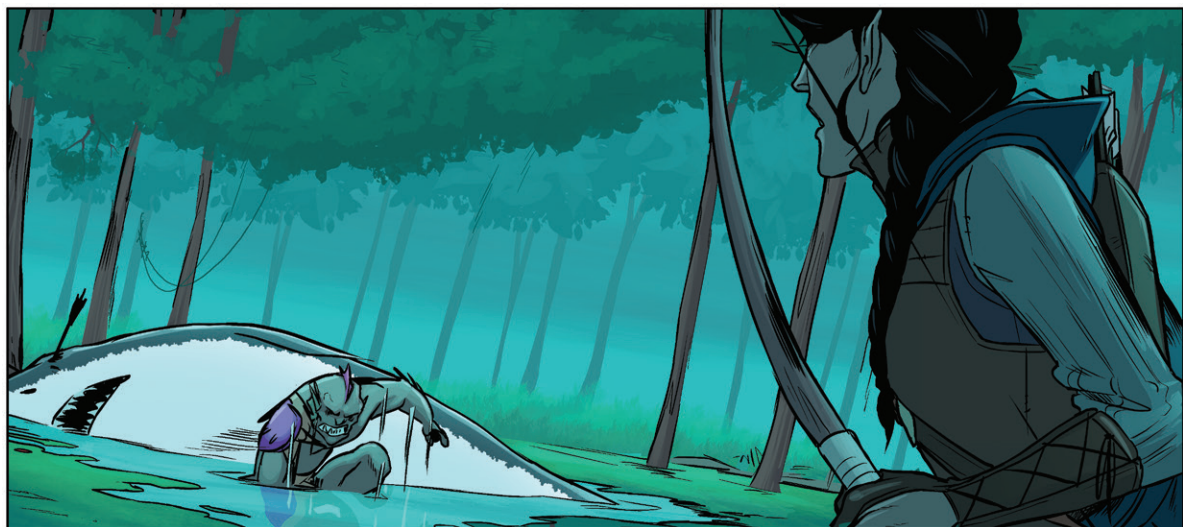


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OH BROTHER, THIS IS MY FAULT. I WAS SO KEEN ON THE CHASE, I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING ELSE.



IT'S LIKE A METAPHOR.



SHUT UP.

NONE OF THIS MAKES SENSE. WHY WOULD GHORMAULT CURSE THE TOWN?

WE SAW IT TAKE THE CHILD.

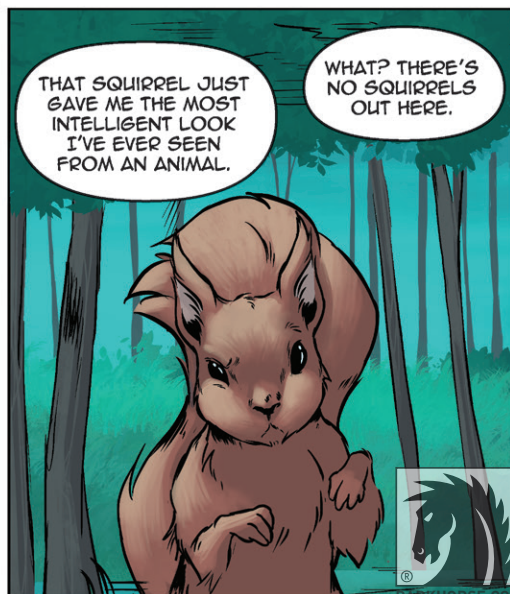


THE SHARK-SPEAKERS ARE TRIBAL, TERRITORIAL, PRIMITIVE. THEY'VE NO PARTICULAR HATRED FOR MEN, BUT THEY'RE NOT STUPID. THEY'LL TAKE A FREE BABY IF YOU THROW THEM ONE.



I'M HALLUCINATING. I JUST SAW THAT SQUIRREL WAVE AT ME.

YOU'VE LOST A LOT OF BLOOD. I'LL GET YOU BACK TO TOWN.

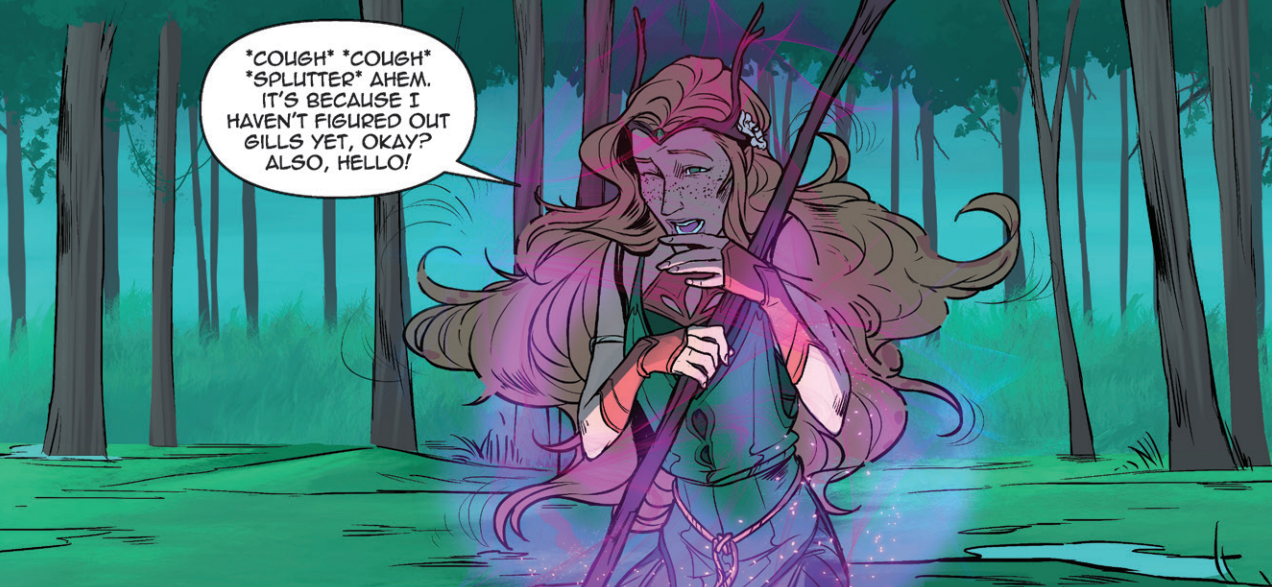


THAT SQUIRREL JUST GAVE ME THE MOST INTELLIGENT LOOK I'VE EVER SEEN FROM AN ANIMAL.

WHAT? THERE'S NO SQUIRRELS OUT HERE.



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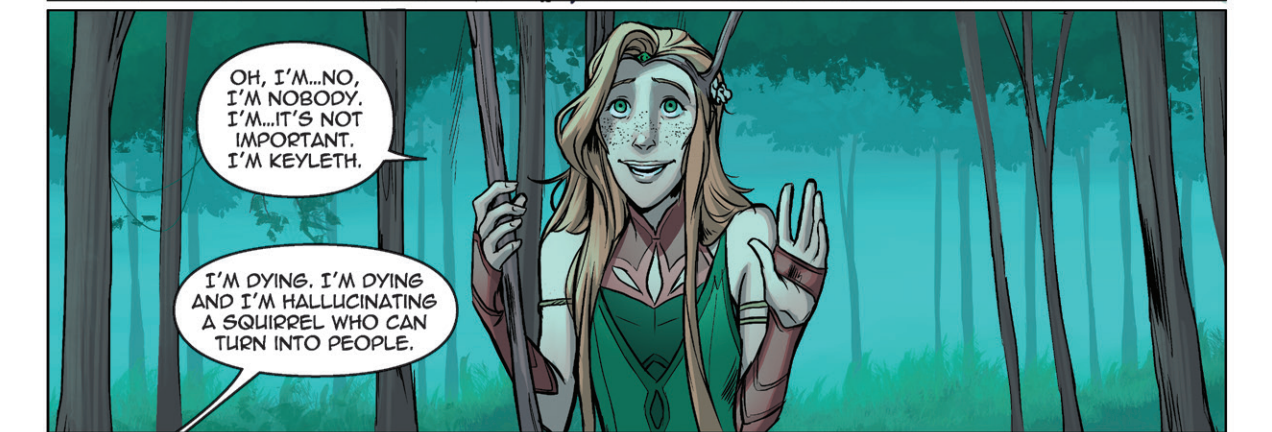


COUGH *COUGH*
SPLUTTER AH.EM.
IT'S BECAUSE I
HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT
GILLS YET, OKAY?
ALSO, HELLO!



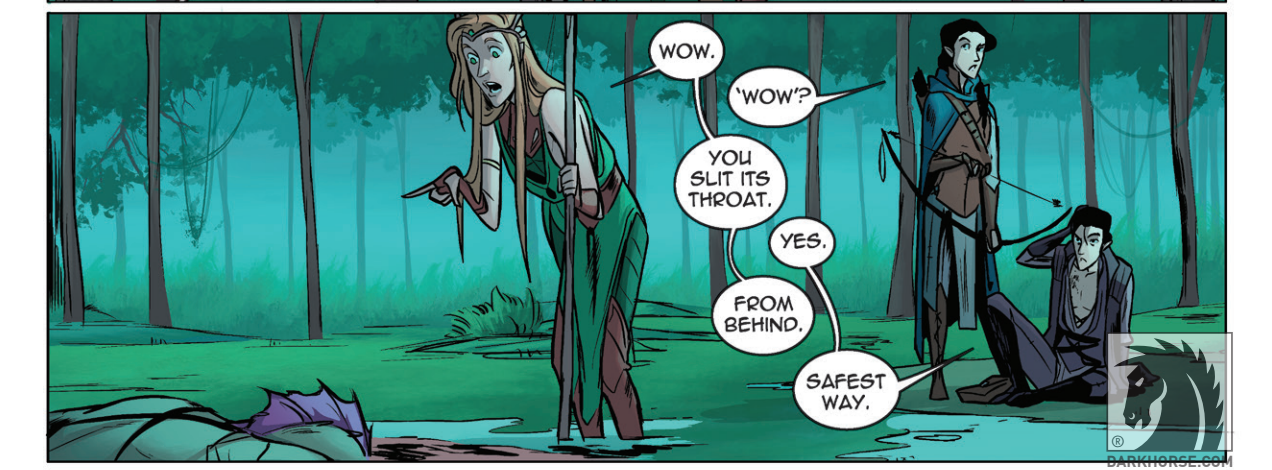
WHO ARE
YOU?

OW.



OH, I'M...NO,
I'M NOBODY.
I'M...IT'S NOT
IMPORTANT.
I'M KEYLETH.

I'M DYING. I'M DYING
AND I'M HALLUCINATING
A SQUIREL WHO CAN
TURN INTO PEOPLE.



WOW.

'WOW?'

YOU
SLIT ITS
THROAT.

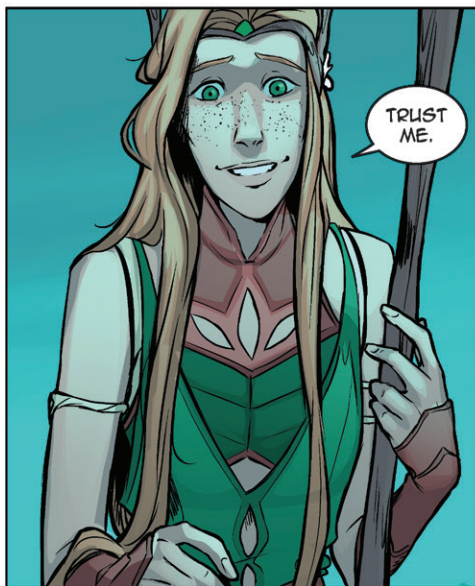
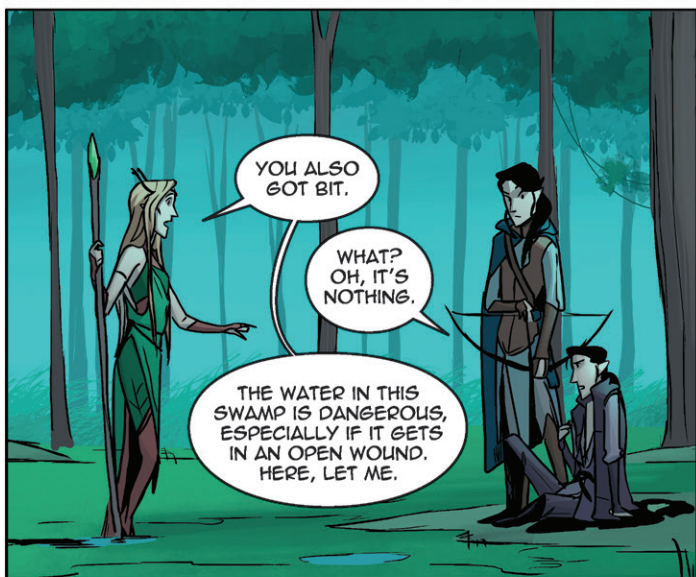
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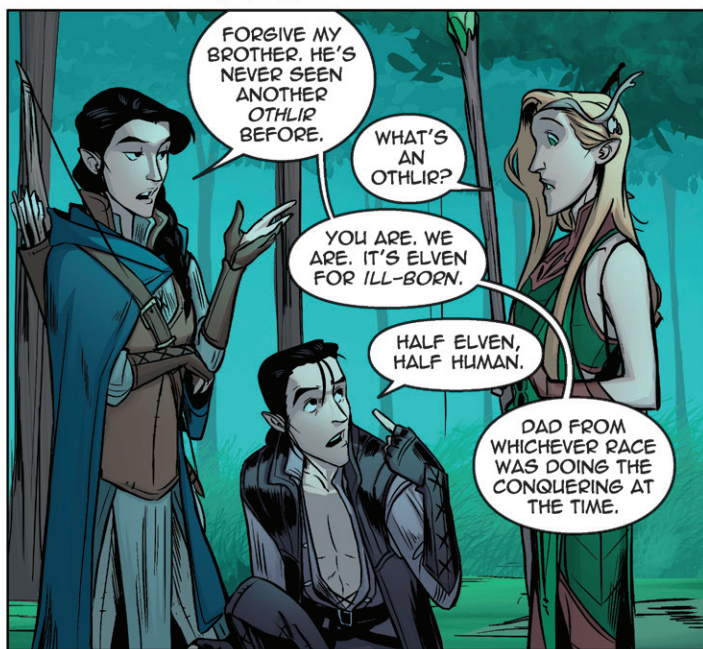
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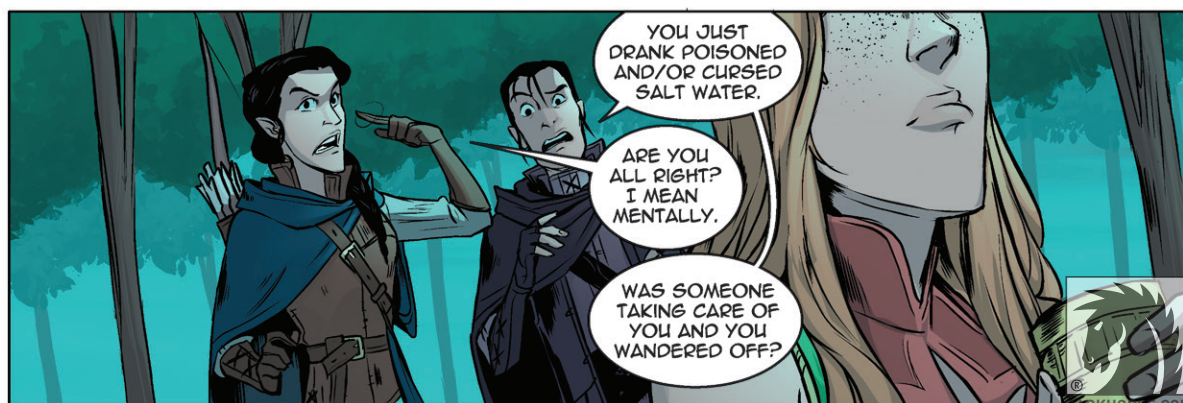
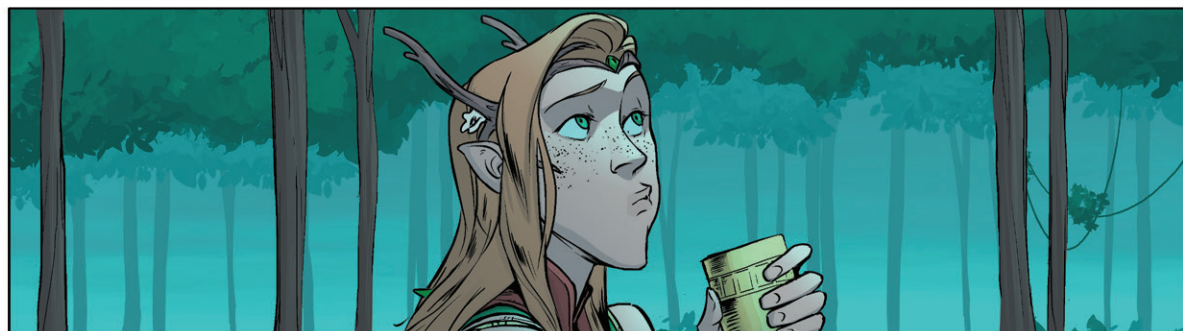


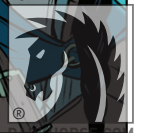
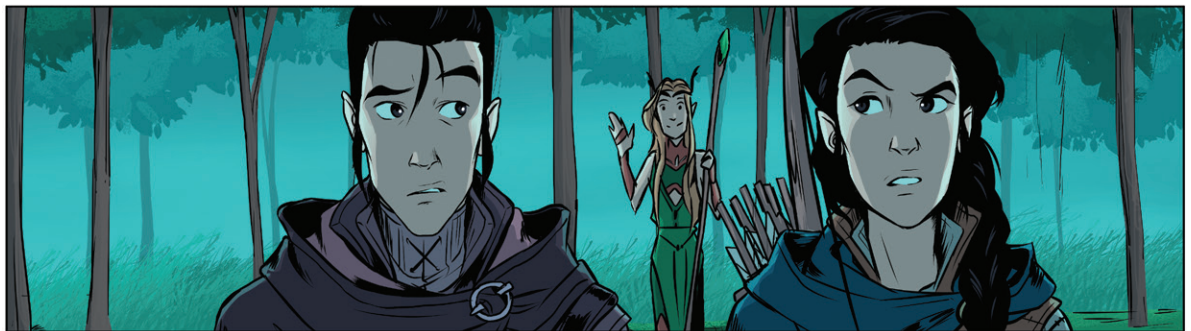
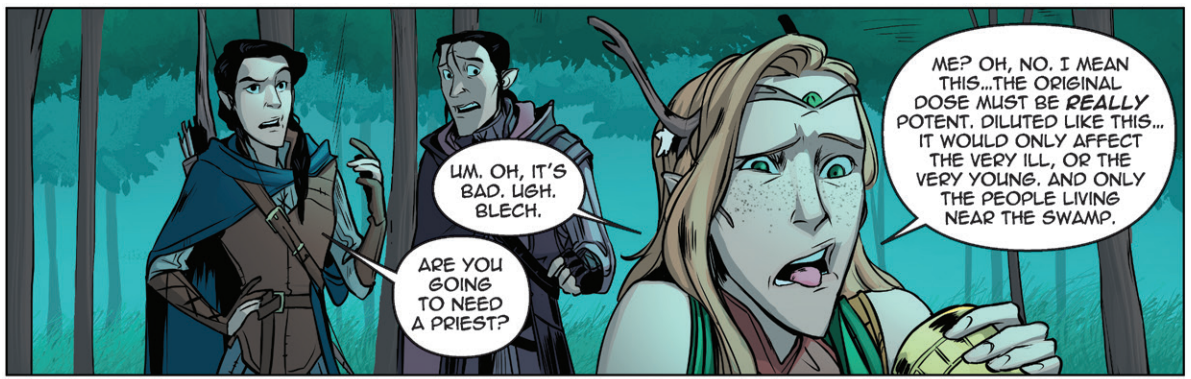
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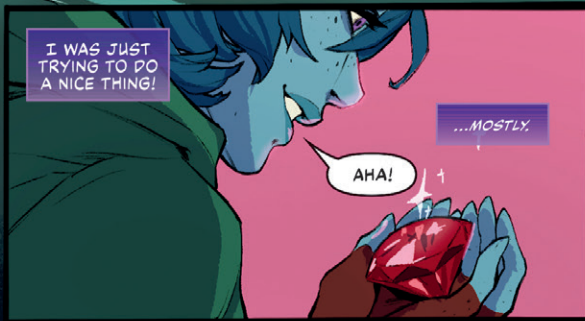




OKAY,
LISTEN.



I PROMISE THIS
ISN'T AS BAD
AS IT LOOKS!



I WAS JUST
TRYING TO DO
A NICE THING!

...MOSTLY.

AHA!



FOUND
HER!

OH,
SHIT.



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SURE, I'VE BEEN IN
TRICKIER SITUATIONS.

TECHNICALLY.

GUYS, WE
CAN WORK THIS
OUT, CAN'T
WE?

YOU'RE
DEAD!

THIEF!

I BET IF WE
STOPPED FIGHTING
FOR A SECOND, YOU'D
SEE THIS IS REALLY
PRETTY FUNNY!

OKAAAY.

BUT USUALLY,
I AM NOT FACING
THEM ALONE.

OKAY, YEAH, I
WAS BEING A LITTLE
RECKLESS...

END
OF THE
ROAD.

SKIDD

...BUT WHAT'S LIFE
WITHOUT A COUPLE
OF WRECKS?



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YOU
DON'T WANT
TO HURT *ME*,
RIGHT?

LITTLE OLD
ME? SO CUTE!
SO CHARMING!
LET'S JUST BE
FRIENDS!



ALL
RIGHT?



NOT THIS
TIME.



SHING

WSH

MAYBE
NEXT
TIME!





OKAY, PERHAPS WE
SHOULD START FROM
THE BEGINNING.



EIGHTEEN YEARS
EARLIER.

ALL RIGHT,
BACK YOU
COME.

YOU ARE
NOT READY FOR
THE WORLD JUST
YET, LITTLE
SAPPHIRE!

SO I HAD KIND OF
A...*DIFFERENT*
CHILDHOOD, IS
THE THING.

MAMA!

GENEVIEVE,
WHY?!

WHAT'S THAT,
BLUUD? JUST
FINISHING WITH
A CLIENT!

NOTHING! IT'S
NOTHING!

WE LIVED AT THE LAVISH
CHATEAU, THE FANCIEST
SPOT IN NICODRANAS.

OH! HOW
LONG HAVE YOU
BEEN HIDING
THERE?!

I HAVE
A LITTLE
*SASEK** ON
MY HANDS.

*"JESTER,"
IN MAMA'S
LANGUAGE.

HERE, THE FANCIEST
PATRONS CAME TO BE
ATTENDED TO BY THE
FANCIEST OF WOMEN.

MAMA.

MY RUBY
OF THE SEA,
WHAT IS ALL
THIS?!

ONLY MY
DAUGHTER, LORD
SHARPE.

DON'T CONCERN
YOURSELF. MY TIME
IS ALL YOURS.

IT KEPT HER
PRETTY BUSY.



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PROBABLY, IN PART,
BECAUSE IT MEANT SHE HAD
A GOOD REASON TO NEVER
LEAVE THE CHATEAU.

THE VERY THOUGHT OF
IT SCARED THE CRIMSON
OUT OF HER SKIN.

DARLING,
NO, YOU KNOW
I CANNOT.

BUT I
WANNA PLAY
TOGETHER
OUTSIDE!

I KNOW,
SAPPHIRE.

AND
I WANT THAT
FOR YOU, TOO.
BUT, I...

MAMA'S
JUST...NOT QUITE
READY. MAYBE
WHEN YOU'RE
OLDER.

WE BOTH
KNEW IT WAS
A LIE.

BUT IT MADE
US FEEL BETTER,
ANYWAY.

HERE,
I HAVE AN
IDEA.

WHY
DON'T YOU
DRAW WHAT
YOU SEE?

THEN, WHEN
YOU FINISH, YOU
CAN SHOW
ME!

AND SO I
PROMISED MYSELF
I WOULD ALWAYS
BRING THE OUTSIDE
TO MAMA.

BECAUSE SHE
DESERVED IT. SHE
DESERVED THE
WHOLE WORLD.



AND SO I DREW.
AND I DREW. AND I
DREW SOME MORE.

IT BECAME MY WAY
OF INTERACTING WITH
THE OUTSIDE WORLD.

AND HERS,
TOO.

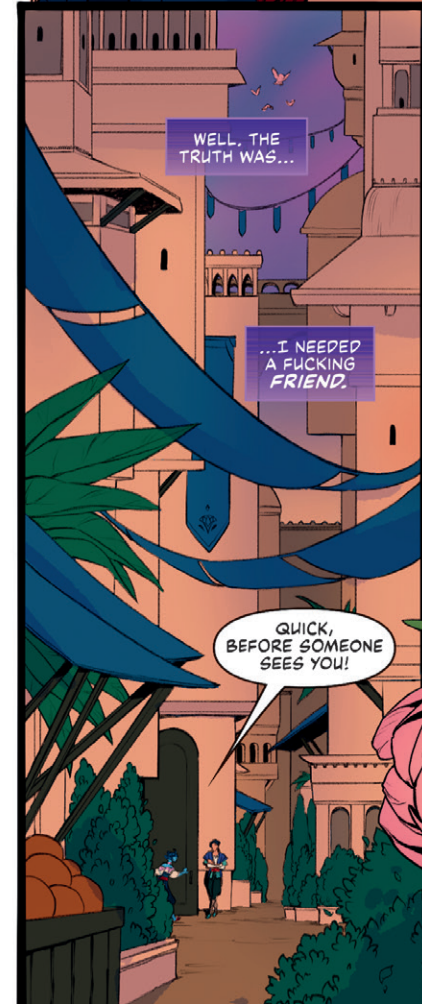
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BANISHED,
EVIL WIZARD!
HAHA!

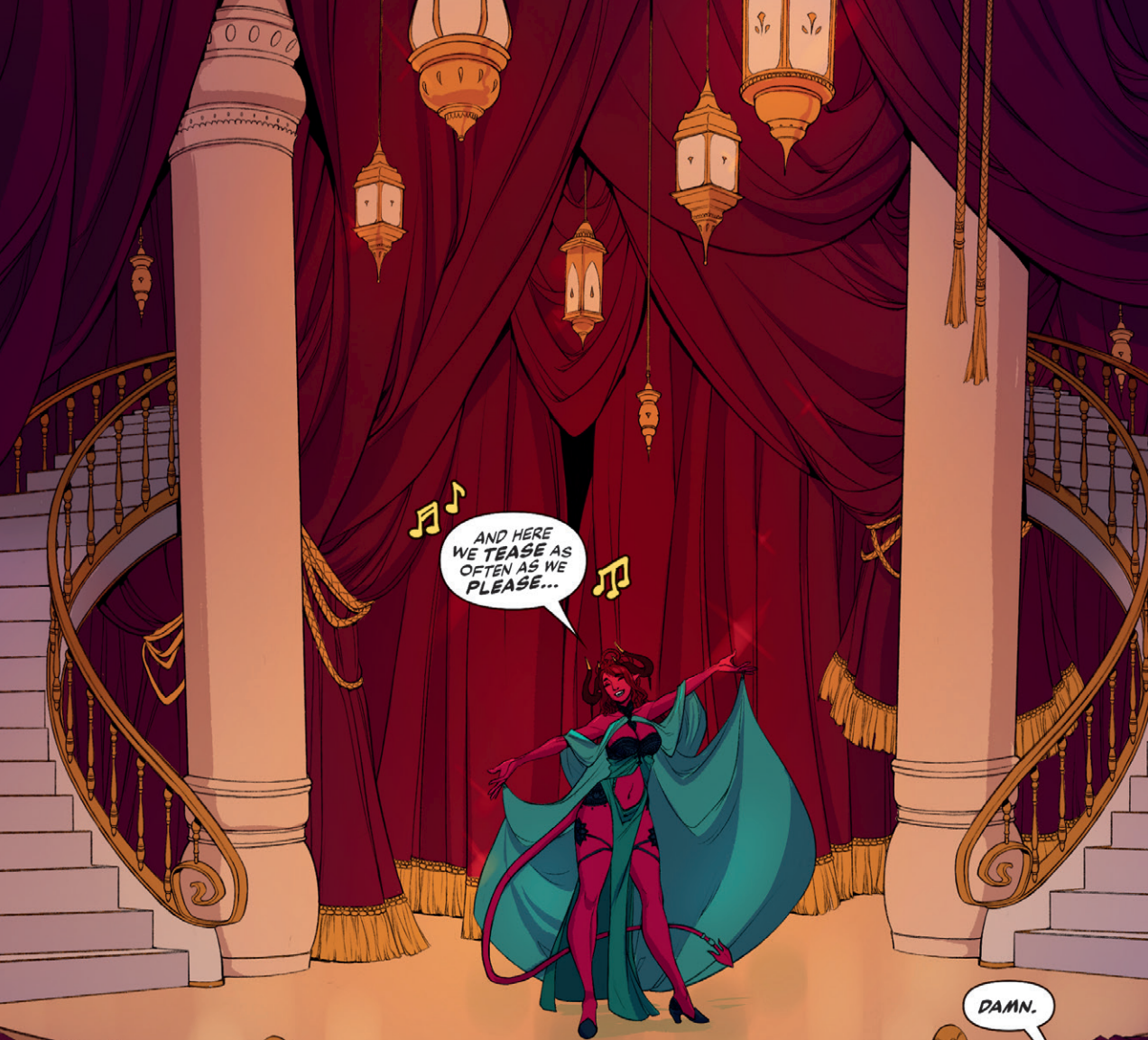
HA HA
HA!

IT WAS
ENOUGH.

I TOLD
MYSELF IT WAS
ENOUGH.
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AND HERE
WE TEASE AS
OFTEN AS WE
PLEASE...

DAMN.

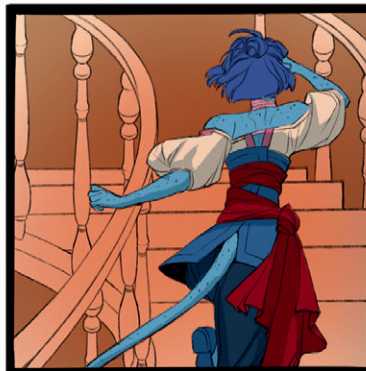
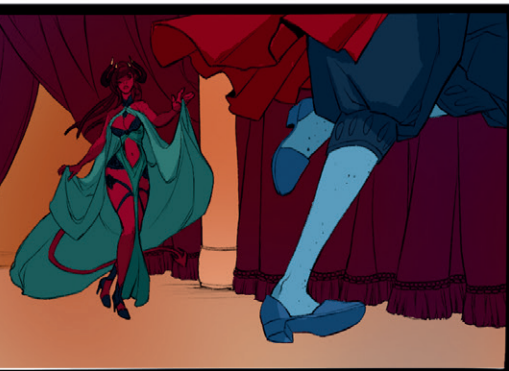
SO, WHAT DID
YOU THINK?

THAT
WAS--

WANT TO COME
BACK NEXT WEEK?
IT'S *ALWAYS* THAT
GOOD, AND MAYBE
WE COULD--

BARNABAS
SHARPE, HOW IN
THE WORLD--?

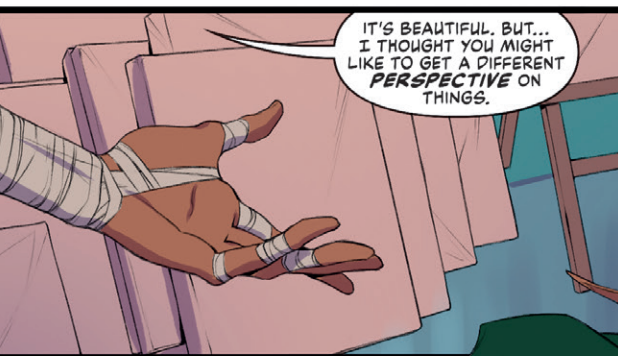






~GASP!~
OH! I'M
SO SORRY.
I'M THE
TRAVELER.
AND I WAS
JUST...LOOKING FOR
A FRIEND.









WHOA.

WHAT ARE YOU?!

WOULD YOU BELIEVE ME IF I SAID I WAS A GOD?

MAYBE. I'D ALSO THINK YOU WERE AN **ARROGANT ASS**, THOUGH.

HA!

WELL, I WOULDN'T WANT THAT.



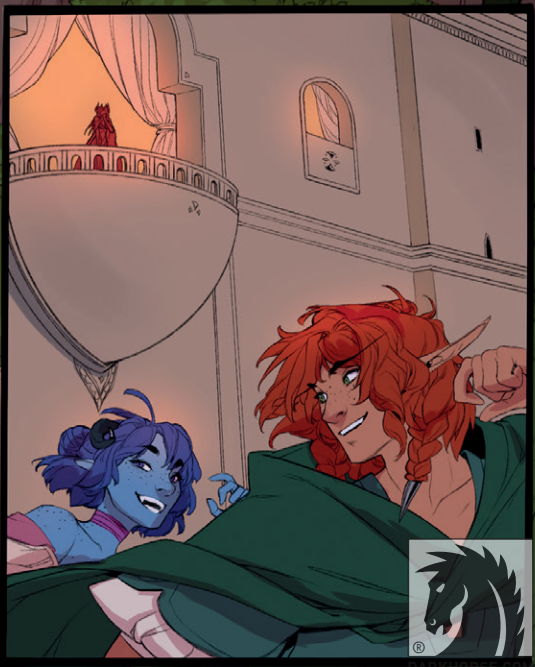
HOW ABOUT WE JUST SAY I'M A FRIEND?

I'D LIKE THAT.



SO WHAT DO YOU SAY?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE EVERYTHING WITH ME?







QUITE STUFFY
IN HERE, DON'T
YOU THINK?

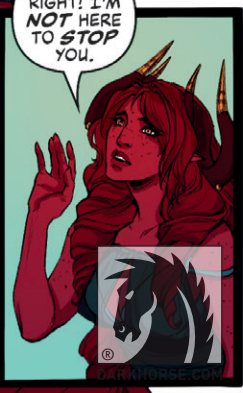
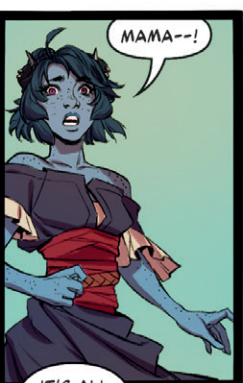
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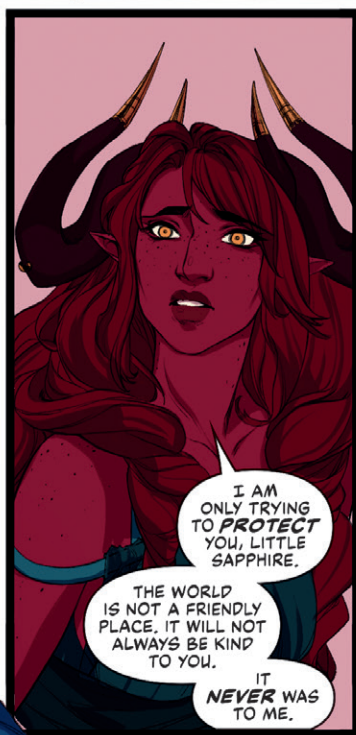
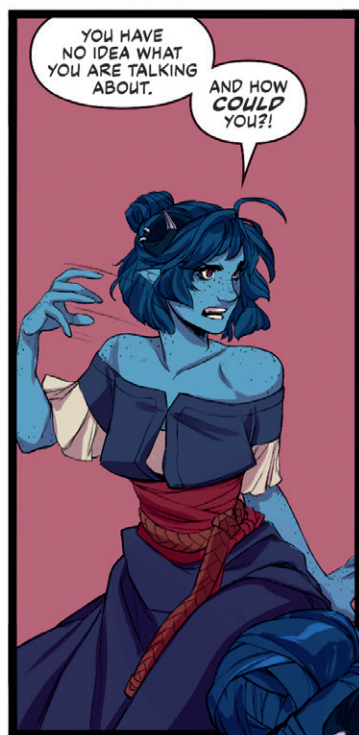
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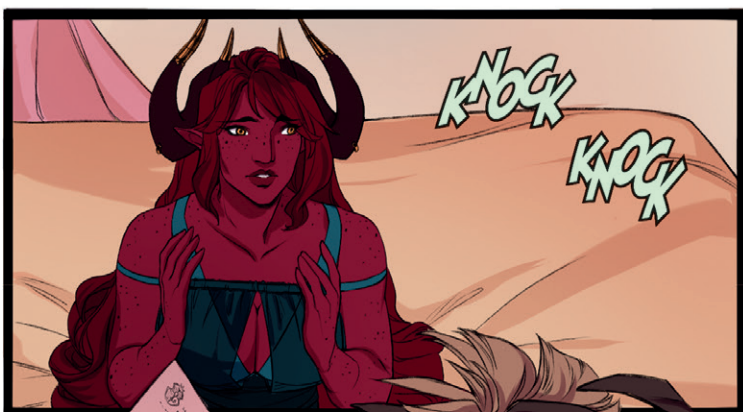
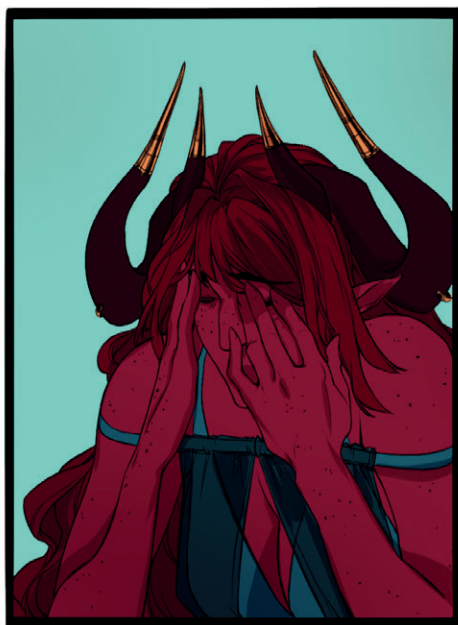
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OUT
HERE?!

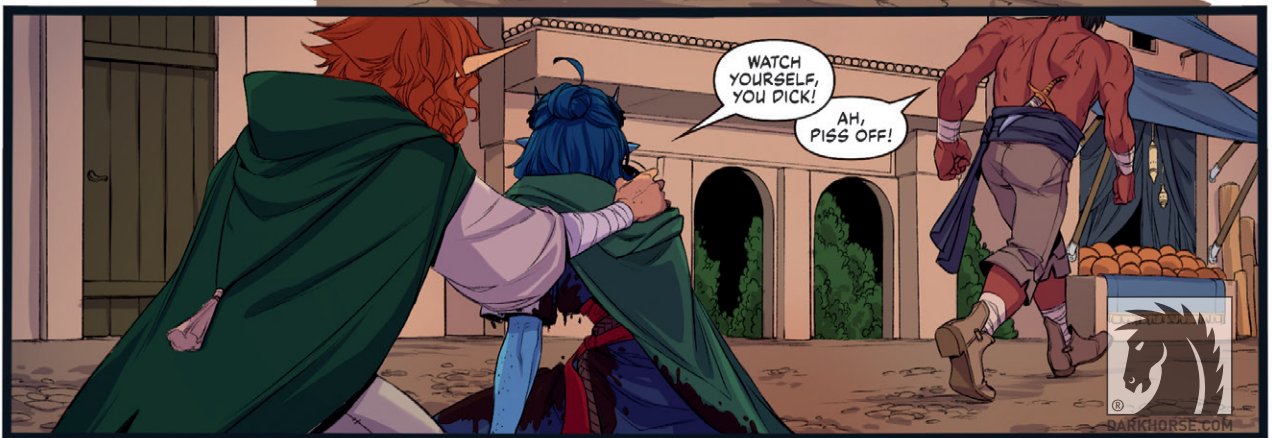
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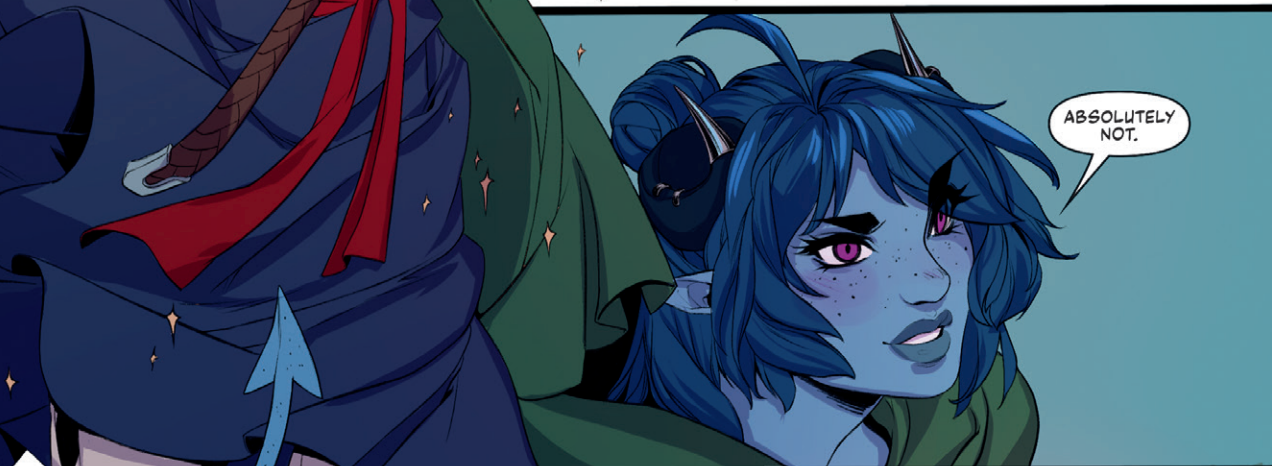








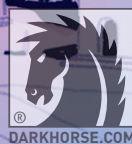






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"I AM LOST..."

"YOU ARE NOT LOST,
CHILD. YOU ARE, AS YOU
HAVE ALWAYS BEEN, THE
ESSENCE OF OUR STORY.

"A STORY THAT BEGAN LONG
BEFORE THE GODS CAME TO
SHAPE THIS WORLD, WHEN THERE
WAS ONE LIGHT, BIRTHED FROM
THE ABSENCE OF CREATION.

"WHEN OTHERS CAME INTO BEING
AROUND THE LIGHT, IT RESISTED
THE INSTINCT TO REMAIN AMONG
ITS CELESTIAL KIN.

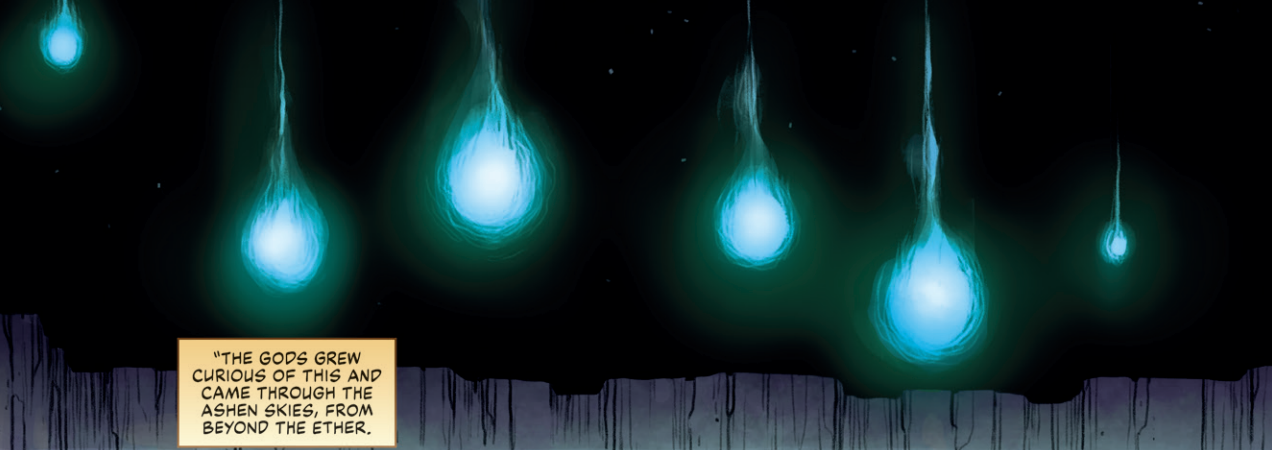
"INSTEAD, IT WANTED TO
UNDERSTAND WHAT IT WAS, JUST
AS YOU DO NOW, AND SO THE
LIGHT CHOSE ANOTHER PATH.

"IT CHOSE TO EMBRACE
THIS LONELY ROCK WE NOW
CALL **EXANDRIA**, AND WE
CAME TO WORSHIP THE
LIGHT AND KNOW IT BY A
NEW NAME, THE **LUXON**.

"SPARKING A FIRE WITHIN THE
WORLD'S CORE, THE LUXON BROKE
OPEN, SCATTERING FRAGMENTS OF
ITSELF ACROSS EXANDRIA IN THE
FORM OF POWERFUL BEACONS...

"...AND THE ROCK
KNEW LIFE."





"THE GODS GREW
CURIOUS OF THIS AND
CAME THROUGH THE
ASHEN SKIES, FROM
BEYOND THE ETHER.



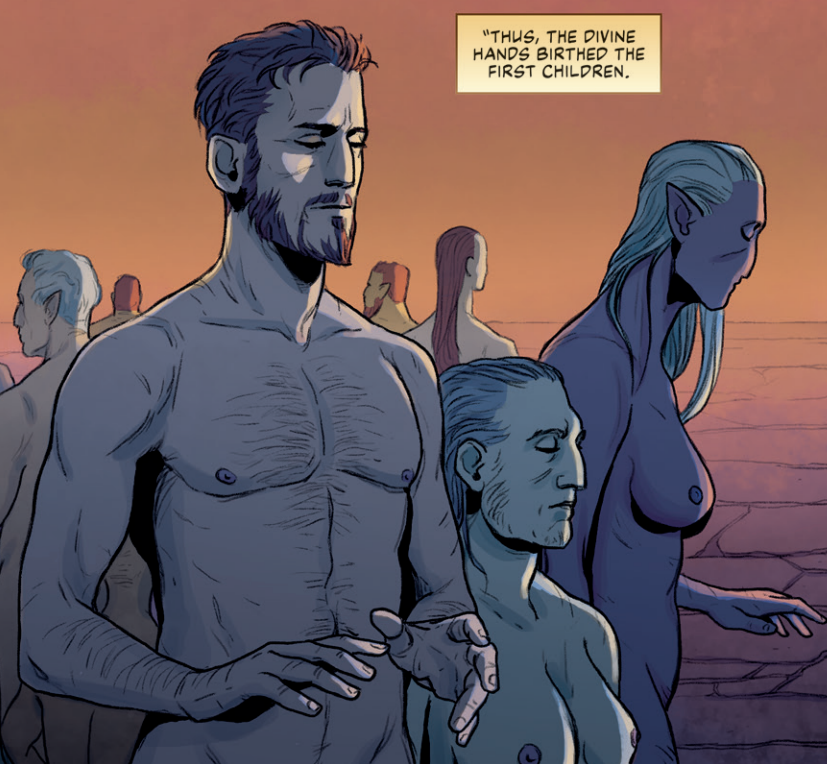
"LOOKING UPON
THIS REALM, THEY
SAW THE POTENTIAL
FOR GREAT BEAUTY,
AND STRENGTH.



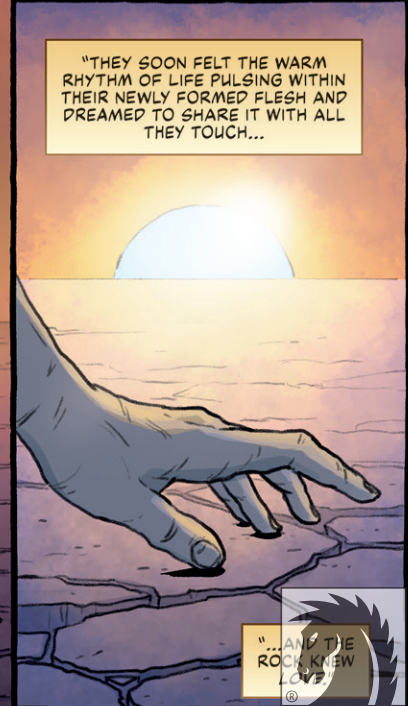
"A CHANCE TO BUILD AND
EXPLORE REFLECTIONS OF
THEIR OWN EXISTENCE.



"TO BECOME WHAT
THEY COULD NOT
OTHERWISE KNOW.



"THUS, THE DIVINE
HANDS BIRTHED THE
FIRST CHILDREN.



"THEY SOON FELT THE WARM
RHYTHM OF LIFE PULSING WITHIN
THEIR NEWLY FORMED FLESH AND
DREAMED TO SHARE IT WITH ALL
THEY TOUCH...

"...AND THE
ROCK KNEW
LOVE"

"IN TIME THE LAND BECAME
FIERCE, AND SO THE CREATOR
GODS LEANT POWER TO THEIR
MORTAL CHILDREN SO THAT THEY
MIGHT PROTECT THEMSELVES...



"...AND SHAPE
THE WORLD
AROUND THEM.



"BUT IT WASN'T
ENOUGH.



"ANCIENT ELEMENTAL TITANS
ROSE UP FROM THEIR UNSEEN
DOMAIN, DESTROYING ALL
THAT WAS GOOD.



"THE CHILDREN DEFENDED
THEMSELVES WITH THE
POWERS THEY'D BEEN
GRANTED, DEFEATING THE
TITANS AND IMPRISONING
THE BETRAYER GODS THAT
HAD SIDED WITH THEM...



"...AND THE
ROCK KNEW
MAGIC."



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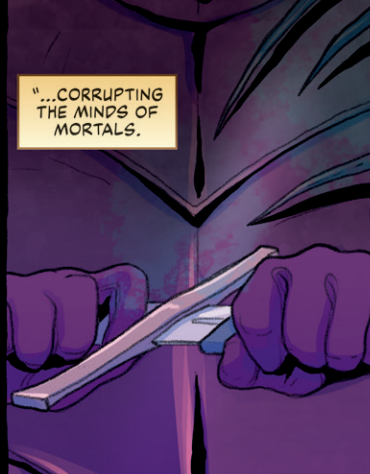
"IN THEIR IMPRISONMENT,
THE BETRAYER GODS SPAWNED
UNTHINKABLE HORRORS.



"THE TWISTED POWER OF
THE LOWER PLANES SEEPED
BACK INTO THIS WORLD...



"...CORRUPTING
THE MINDS OF
MORTALS.



"COUNTLESS SOULS BORN
OF THE LIGHT... LOST
TO THE DARKNESS BEYOND.



"HAVING REALIZED THAT
THEIR PRESENCE WAS
TOO DANGEROUS TO
EXIST ALONGSIDE THEIR
OWN CREATIONS...

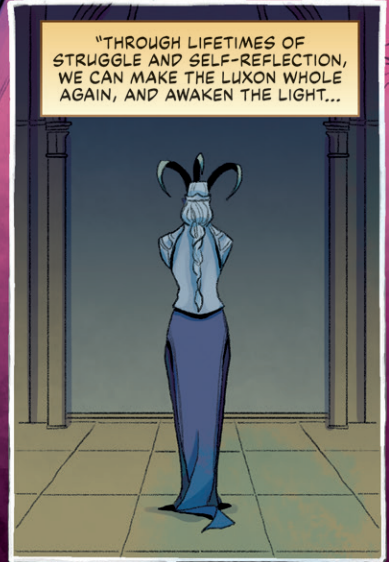
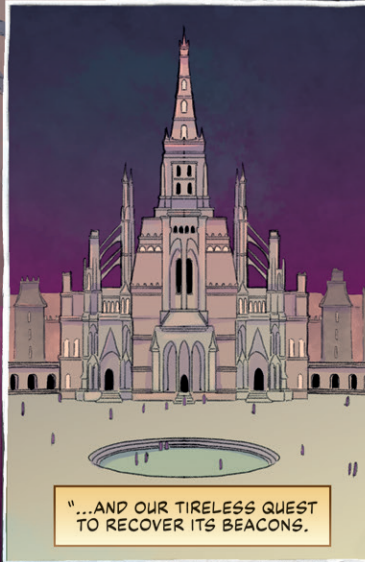
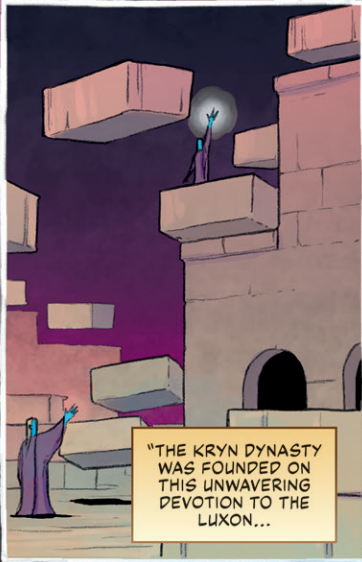


"THE CREATOR GODS
BANISHED THEMSELVES,
AND THE BETRAYER GODS,
BEYOND OUR MORTAL
REALM FOREVER."



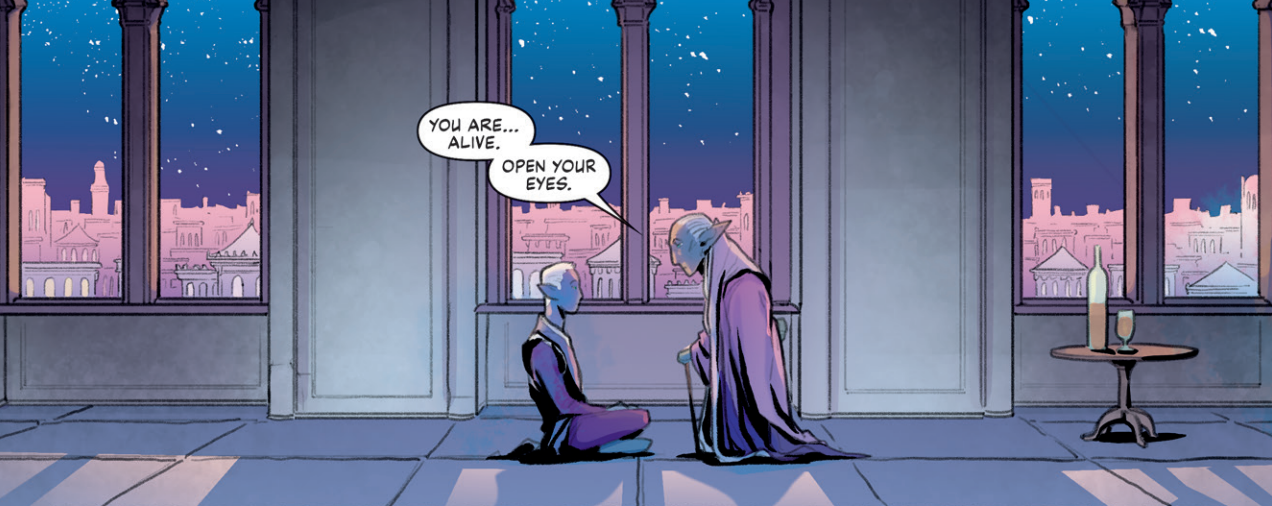
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"THE LIGHT FELT THAT A TIME OF LEARNING WAS NOW REQUIRED, WHERE ITS FOLLOWERS COULD ENTER INTO A CYCLE OF REBIRTH BY BINDING OUR SOULS TO THE LUXON. WE CALL THIS CEREMONY THE CONSECRATION."

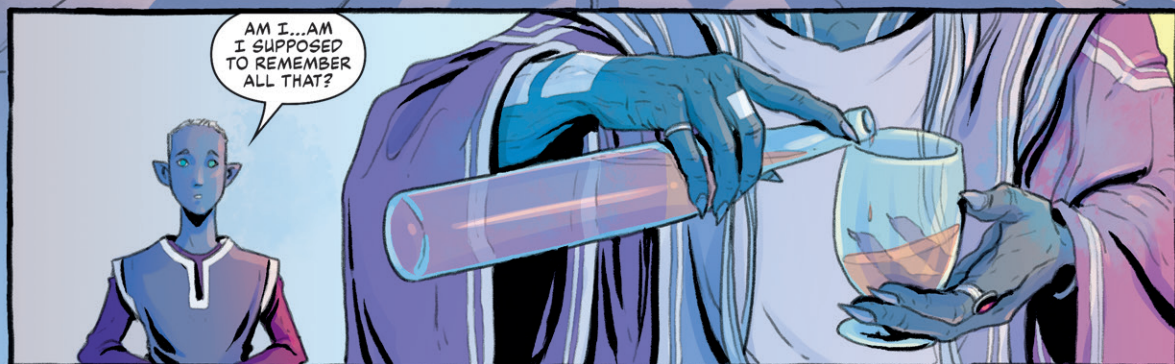


"SO YOU ARE NOT LOST, CHILD..."

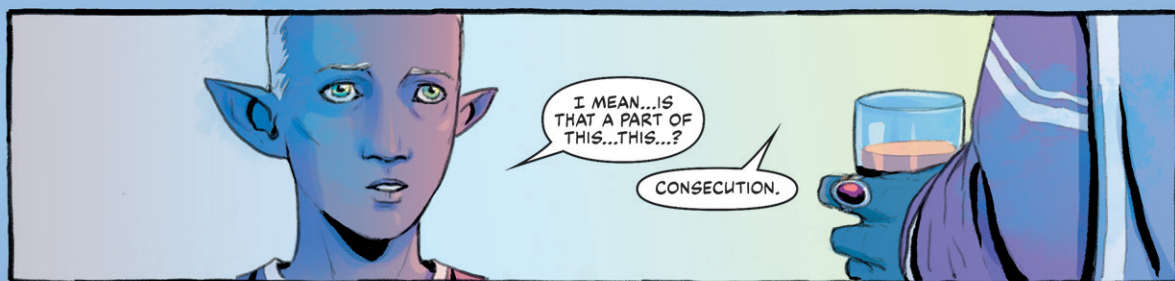




YOU ARE...
ALIVE.
OPEN YOUR
EYES.

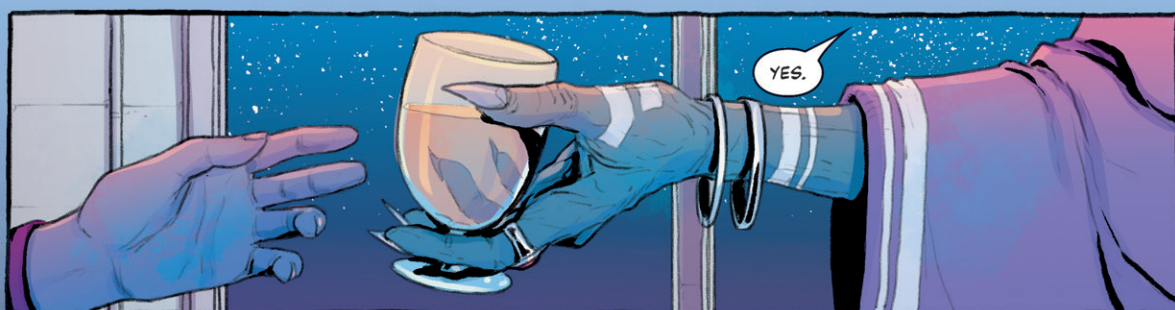


AM I...AM
I SUPPOSED
TO REMEMBER
ALL THAT?



I MEAN...IS
THAT A PART OF
THIS...THIS...?

CONSECUTION.

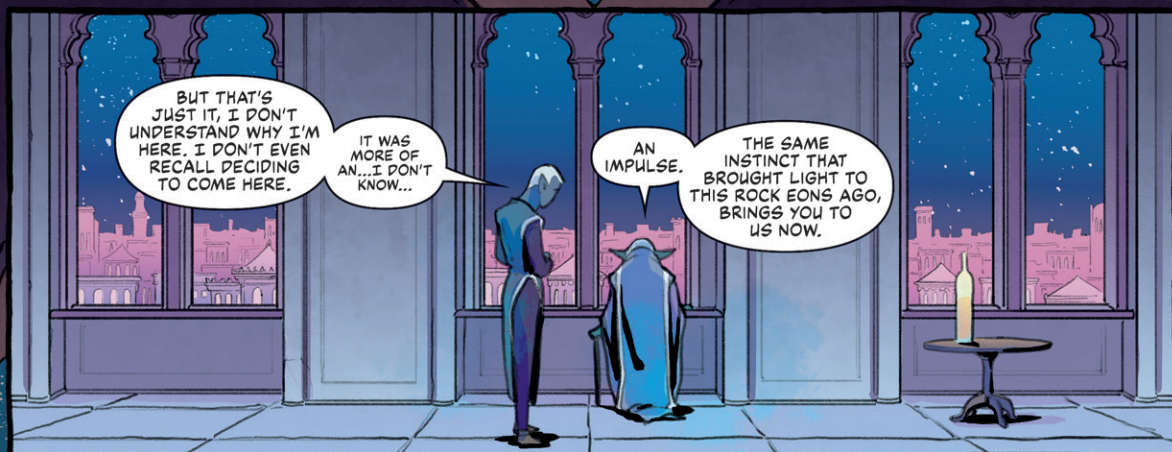


YES.



TO UNDERSTAND THE
POWER OF THE LUXON
AND THE IMPORTANCE OF
ITS BEACONS TO THE KRYN
DYNASTY IS TO FIND YOUR
PLACE WITHIN IT.





BUT THAT'S JUST IT, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY I'M HERE. I DON'T EVEN RECALL DECIDING TO COME HERE.

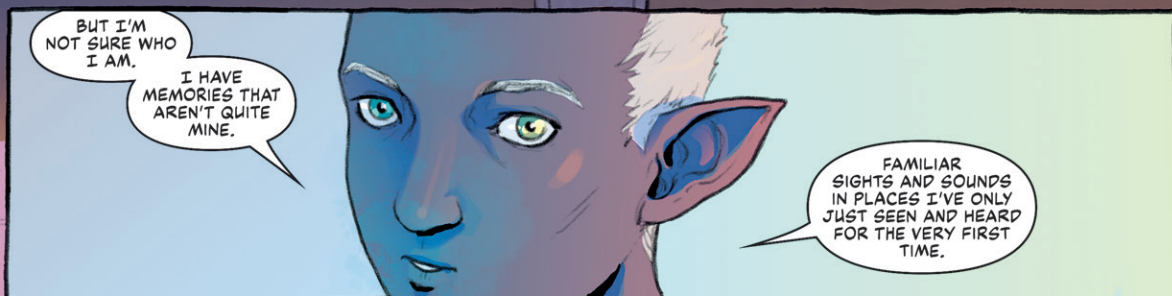
IT WAS MORE OF AN... I DON'T KNOW...

AN IMPULSE.

THE SAME INSTINCT THAT BROUGHT LIGHT TO THIS ROCK EONS AGO, BRINGS YOU TO US NOW.



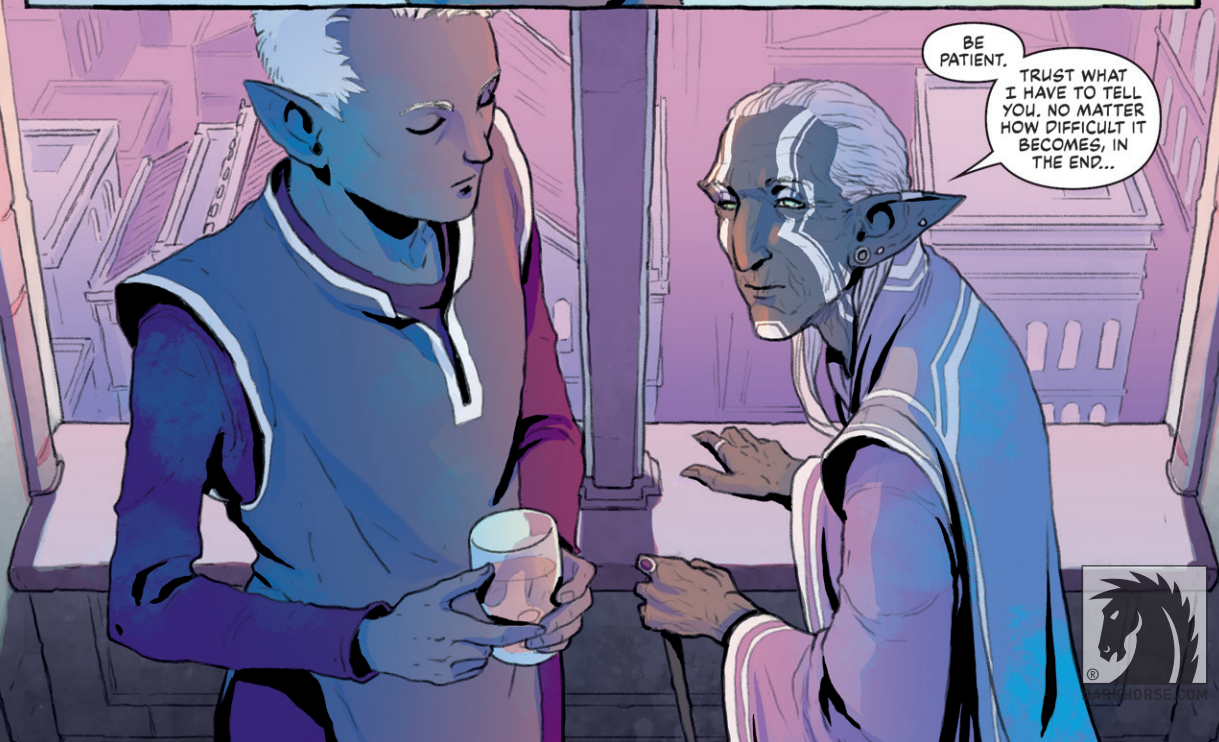
YOU'RE NOT THE FIRST, NOR THE LAST.



BUT I'M NOT SURE WHO I AM.

I HAVE MEMORIES THAT AREN'T QUITE MINE.

FAMILIAR SIGHTS AND SOUNDS IN PLACES I'VE ONLY JUST SEEN AND HEARD FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME.



BE PATIENT.

TRUST WHAT I HAVE TO TELL YOU, NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT IT BECOMES, IN THE END...



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"...THIS IS THE
UNAVOIDABLE
TRUTH OF YOUR
EXISTENCE."

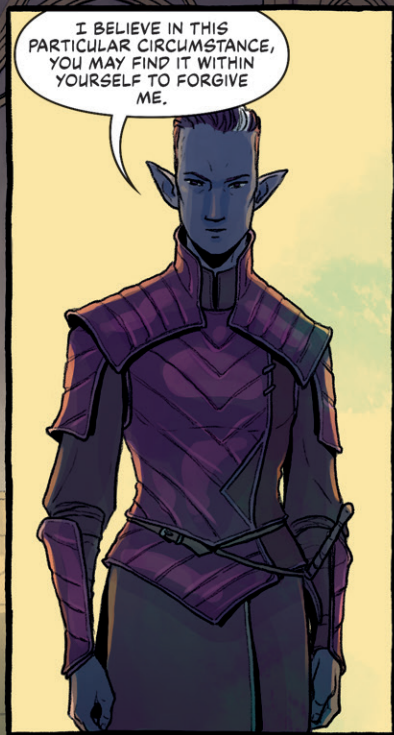
LUCID BASTION,
ROSOHNA



YOU'VE KEPT
ME WAITING,
CAPTAIN
QUANA.



I BELIEVE IN THIS
PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE,
YOU MAY FIND IT WITHIN
YOURSELF TO FORGIVE
ME.



AURORA'S WATCH
HAS CONFIRMED A SIXTH
BEACON LIES IN A NETHER
GNOME SETTLEMENT,
AT THE EDGE OF THE
GHOSTLANDS.

WE'RE
PREPARING TO LEAVE
IMMEDIATELY.



THERE'S
SOMETHING
ELSE, ISN'T
THERE?





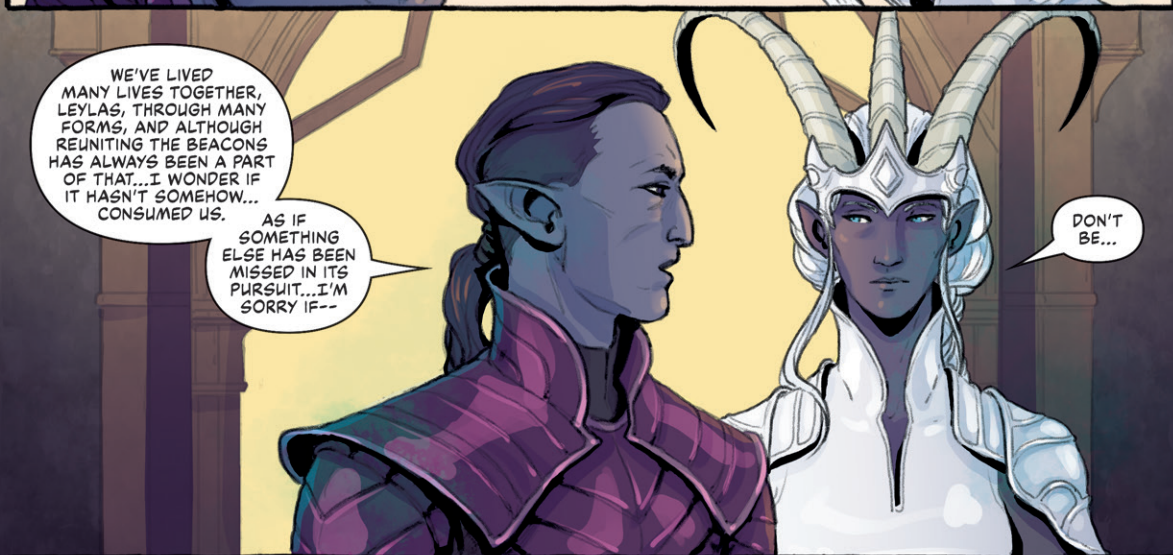
WHAT IS IT, MY LOVE? THERE'S A SADNESS TO YOU THESE LAST MONTHS...

WON'T YOU SHARE IT WITH ME?



WE ARE ON THE BRINK OF RECOVERING ANOTHER BEACON. THESE MOMENTS BECOME OUR GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS, AND YET, I FEEL... NOTHING.

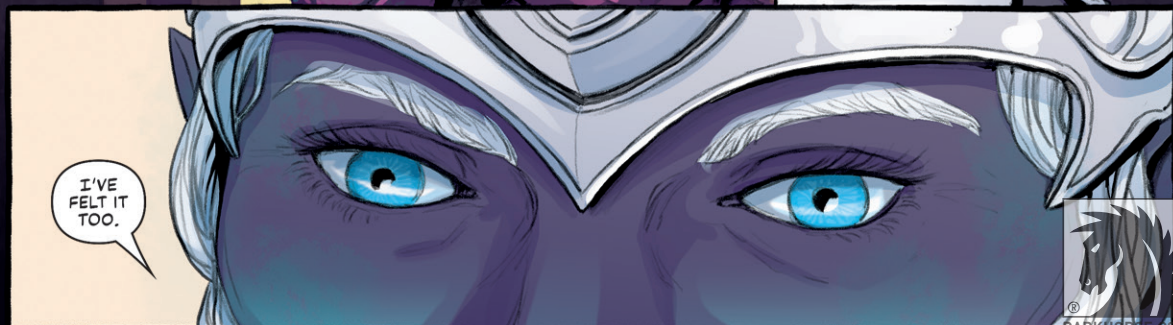
GO ON...



WE'VE LIVED MANY LIVES TOGETHER, LEYLAS, THROUGH MANY FORMS, AND ALTHOUGH REUNITING THE BEACONS HAS ALWAYS BEEN A PART OF THAT...I WONDER IF IT HASN'T SOMEHOW... CONSUMED US.

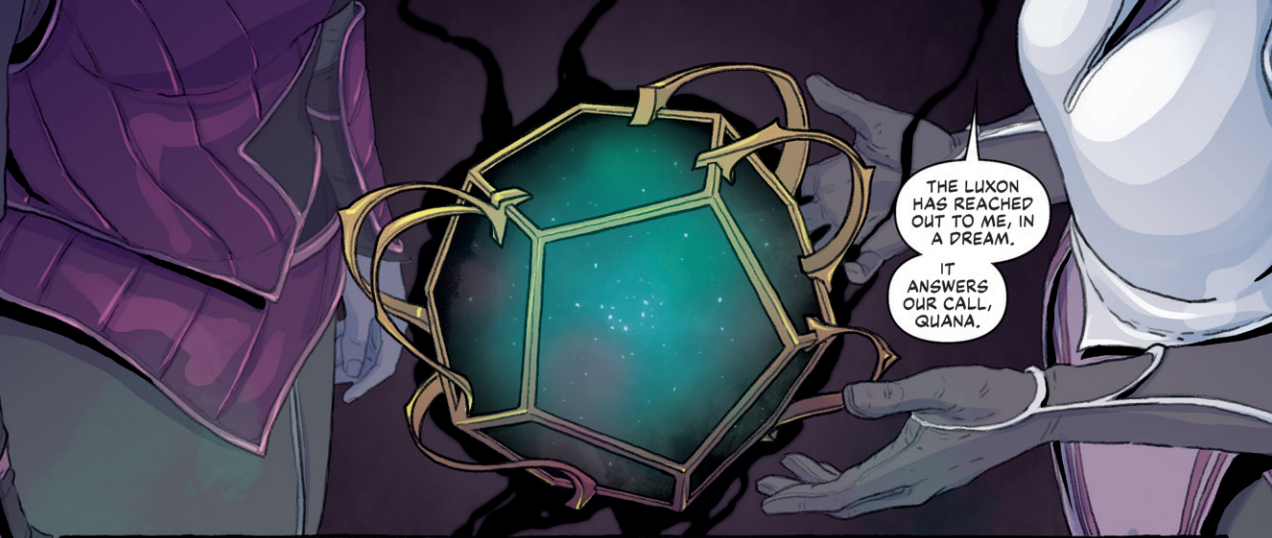
AS IF SOMETHING ELSE HAS BEEN MISSED IN ITS PURSUIT...I'M SORRY IF--

DON'T BE...



I'VE FELT IT TOO.

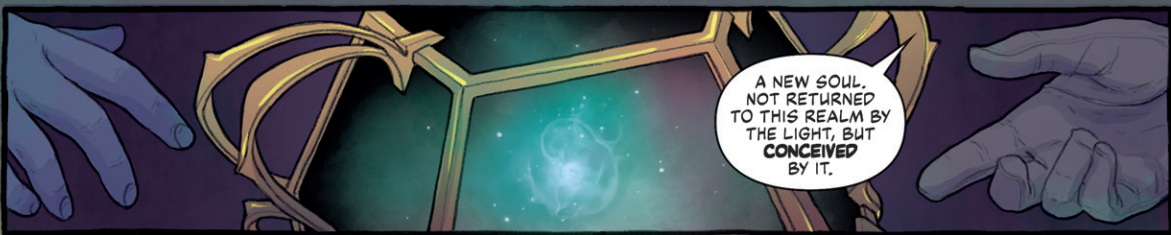




THE LUXON
HAS REACHED
OUT TO ME, IN
A DREAM.
IT
ANSWERS
OUR CALL,
QUANA.



LOOK
CLOSELY,
QUANA. CAN
YOU SEE IT
TOO?



A NEW SOUL,
NOT RETURNED
TO THIS REALM BY
THE LIGHT, BUT
CONCEIVED
BY IT.

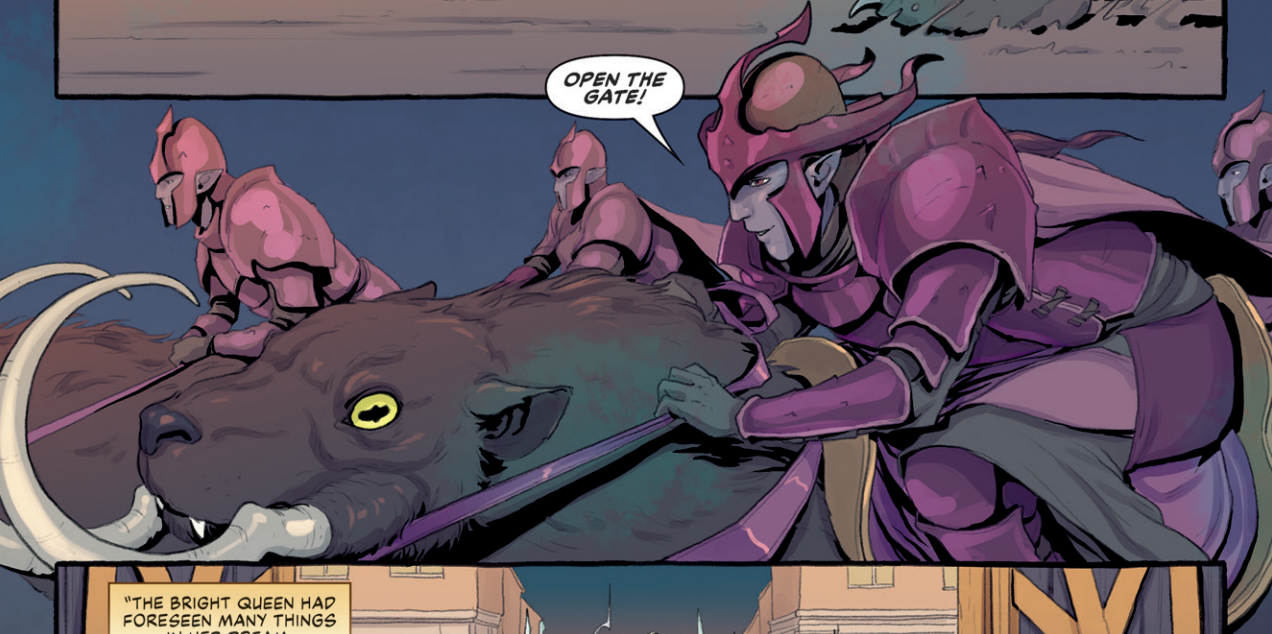


A CHILD.
IT'S...IT'S BEEN
SO LONG.



MORE THAN
JUST A CHILD...THE
LIGHT INCARNATE,
DEPENDENT ON
OUR UNION.

WHAT WE HAVE
BETWEEN US IS SO MUCH
MORE THAN LIFETIMES OF
BATTLES WON AND LOST,
OR THE BEACONS WE'VE
DISCOVERED ALONG
THE WAY...



THE GHOSTLANDS

"AND A PRESENCE
SHE COULD NOT
YET EXPLAIN."

SLOW IT
DOWN...

EASY...

THIS
IS IT.



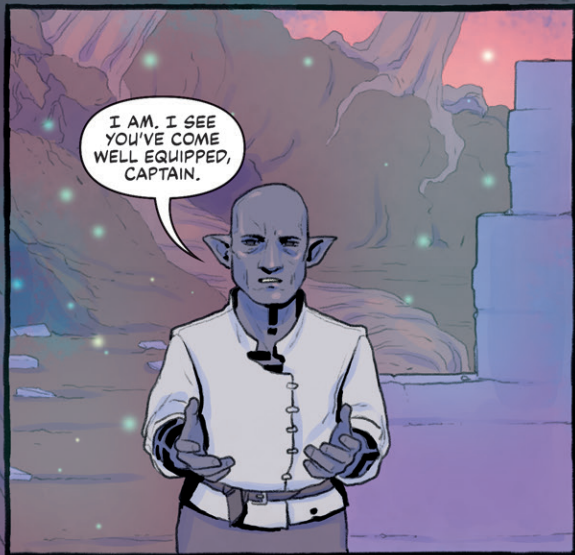


WELCOME,
YOU ARE DUSK
CAPTAIN QUANA
KRYN?



REPRESENTING THE
BRIGHT QUEEN, AND
THE TWELVE DENS
OF ROSOHNA.

AND YOU'RE
DRYCA?



I AM. I SEE
YOU'VE COME
WELL EQUIPPED,
CAPTAIN.



FORGIVE THE
PRECAUTIONS,
DRYCA.

RARELY DOES
SOMETHING AS POWERFUL
AS WHAT YOU HAVE COME
WITHOUT COST.

I SEE, THEN LET
ME REASSURE YOU THAT
THIS WILL BE QUICK AND
PAINLESS FOR ALL
INVOLVED.



YOUR
GENEROSITY
IS NOTED.



THEN LET
US WASTE NO
MORE OF OUR
PRECIOUS TIME.
FOR THE HOUR
IS LATE...



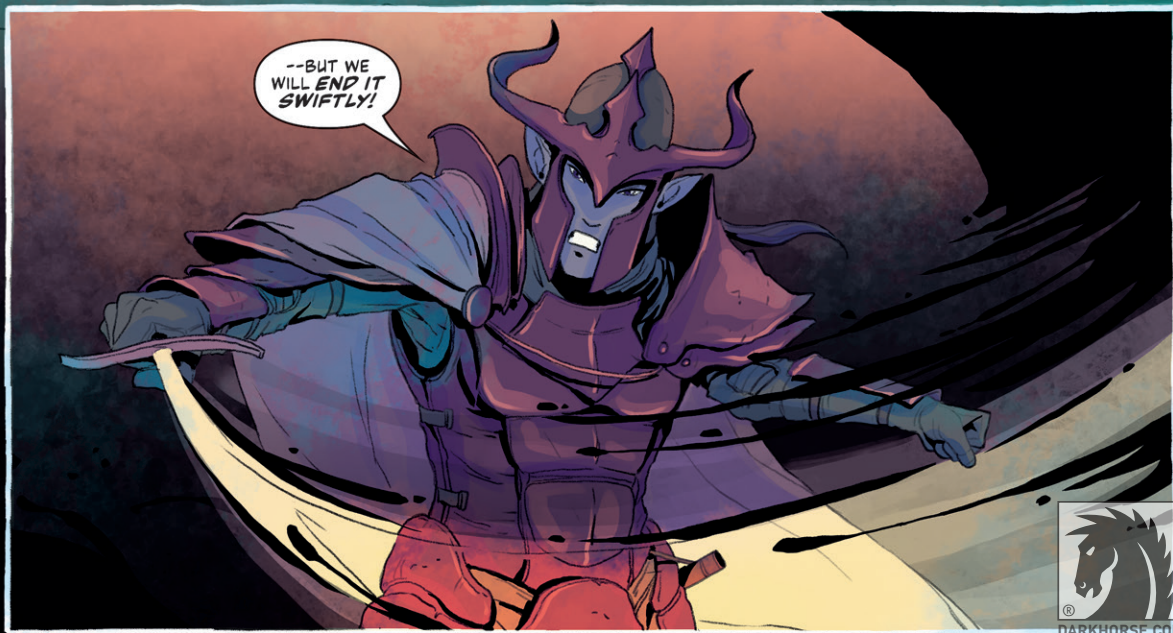
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"...AND THE LAND
IS HUNGRY."

YOU'RE
A FOOL TO
START THIS,
DRYCA--



--BUT WE
WILL END IT
SWIFTLY!



GAAAAH...!



"THE DARK TWISTED POWERS, ONCE CONDEMNED TO THE STARLESS PLANES BENEATH EXANDRIA, HAD RETURNED."

LEYLAS...!
THERE'S TOO
MANY!



"CENTURIES OF THIRST
FOR WHAT THEY'D BEEN
DENIED, QUENCHED, AT THE
TINE OF THEIR CLAWS."



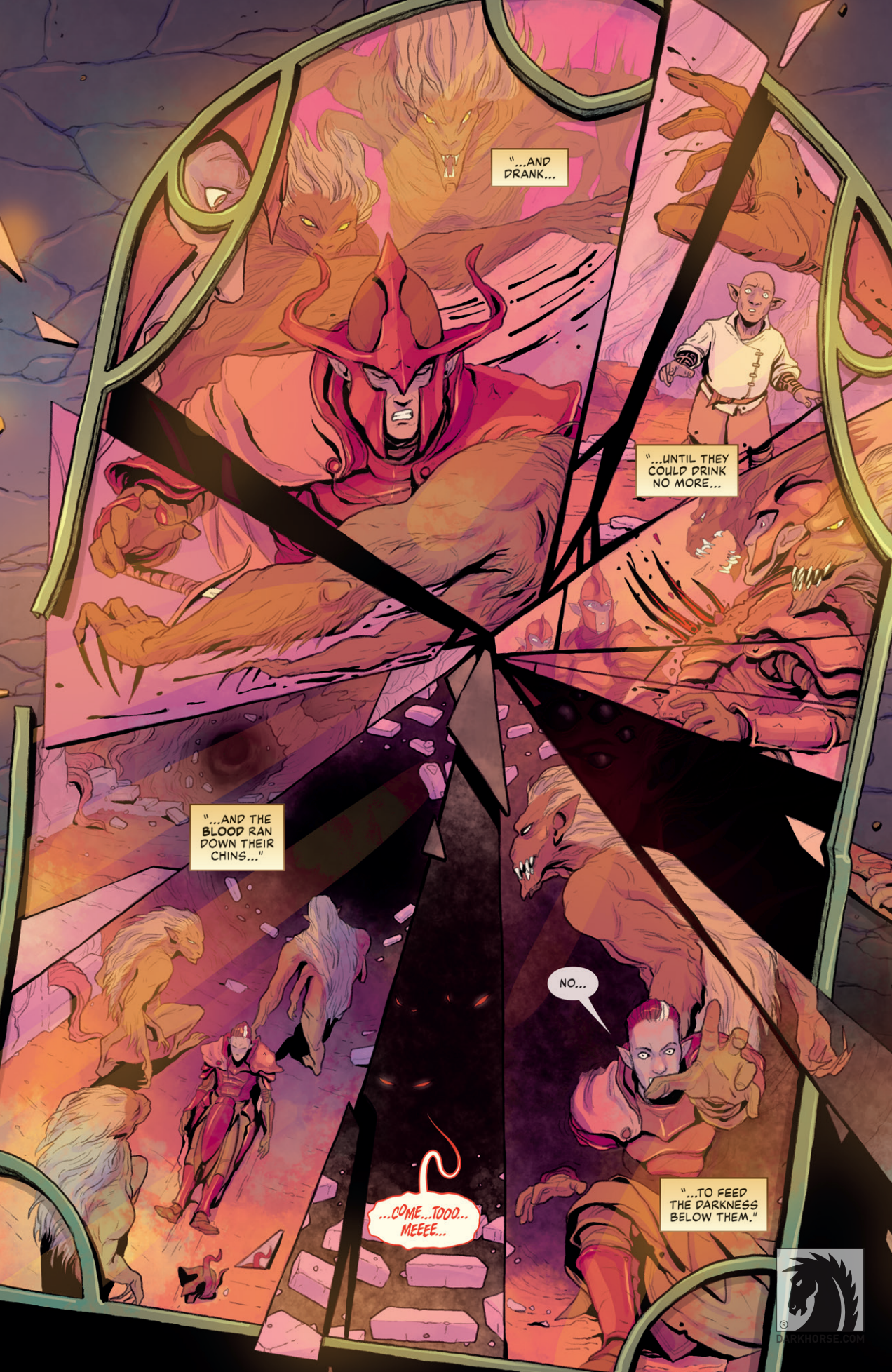
FWOR
LOTHHHH!



"THEY HAD FINALLY
RAISED THE CUP TO THEIR
SORELY SCORCHED LIPS..."



"AND
SO THEY
DRANK..."



"...AND
DRANK..."

"...UNTIL THEY
COULD DRINK
NO MORE..."

"...AND THE
BLOOD RAN
DOWN THEIR
CHINS..."

NO...

...COME...TOOO...
MEEEEEE...

"...TO FEED
THE DARKNESS
BELOW THEM."



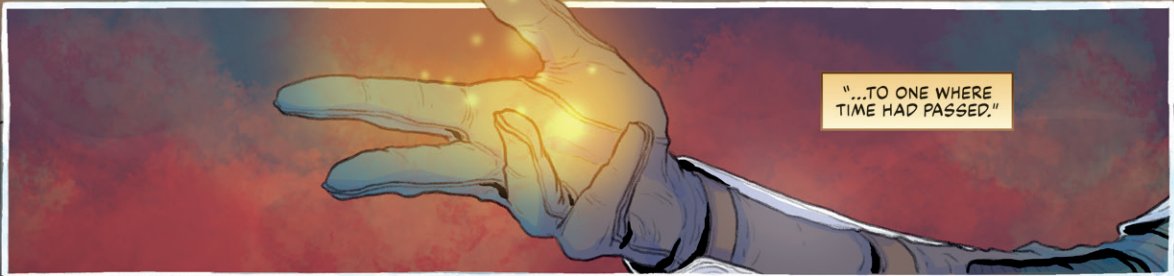
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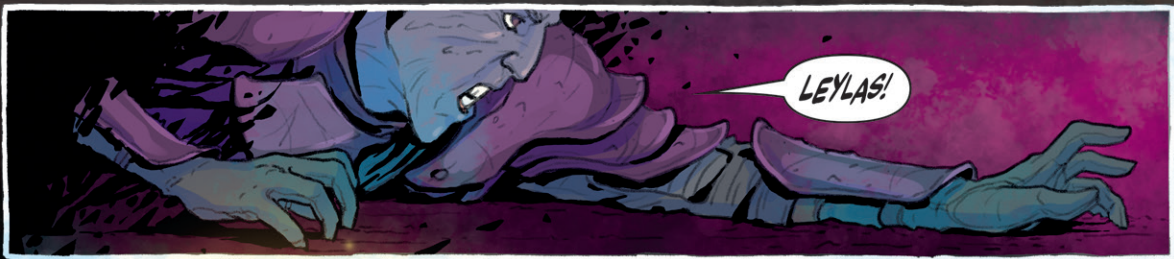
"THE BRIGHT QUEEN
FLED THE SANCTITY
OF HER COURT..."



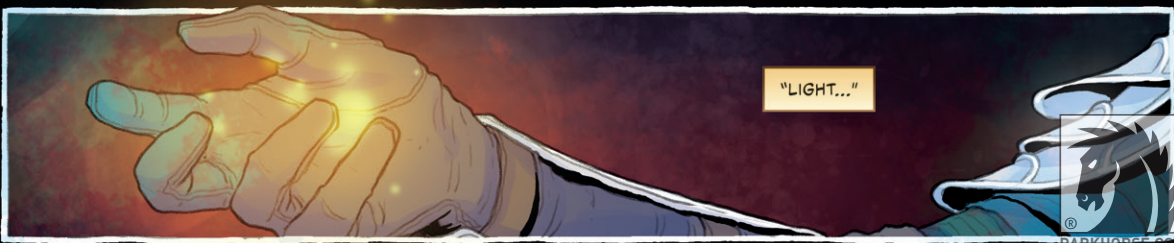
"PULLING AT THE ANCIENT
THREADS OF SPACE AND TIME
WITH THE POWER OF DUNAMANCY,
SHE WOVE AN INVISIBLE
PATHWAY FROM THIS REALM..."



"...TO ONE WHERE
TIME HAD PASSED."

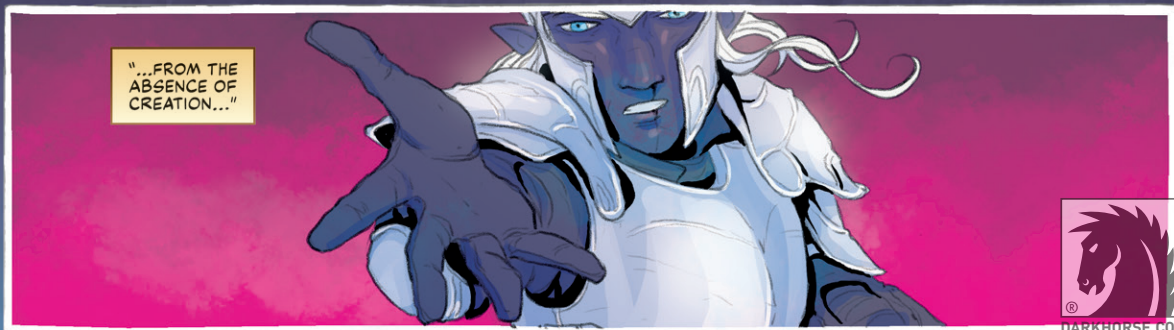
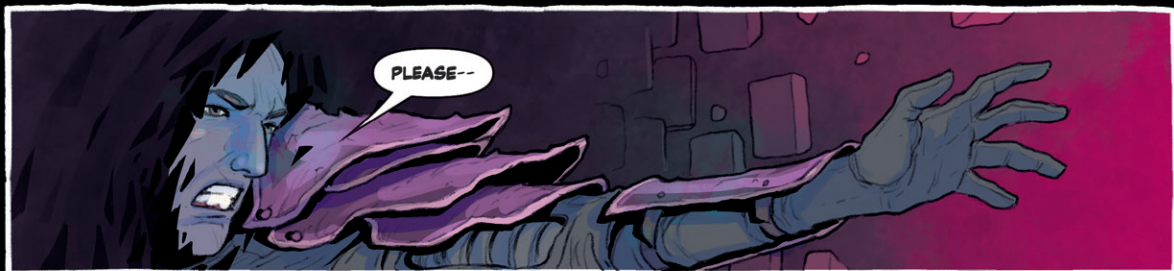


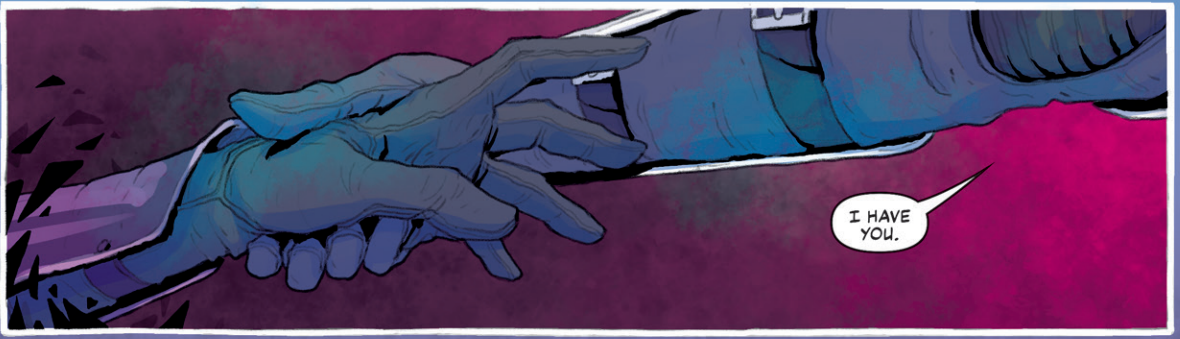
LEYLAS!



"LIGHT..."







"STOP..."

