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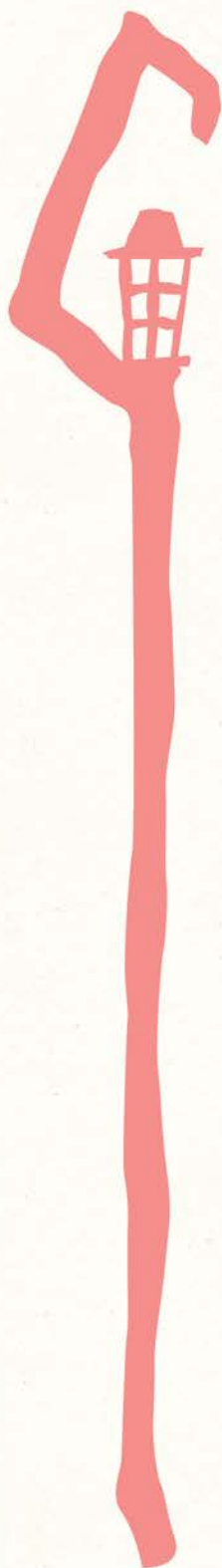
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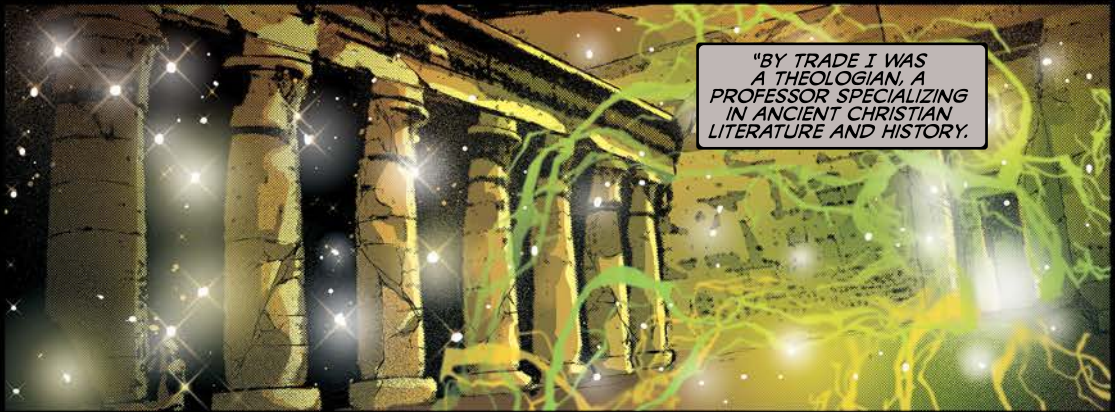
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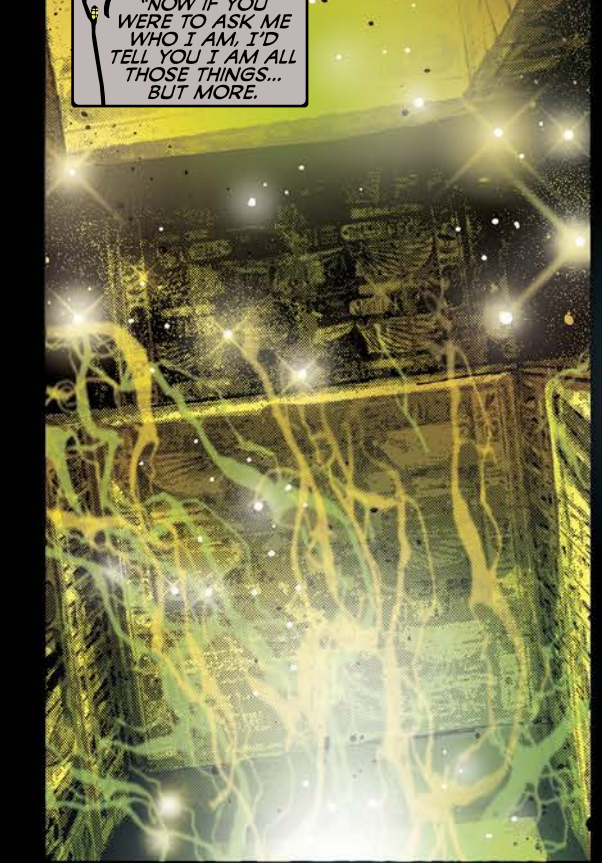
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"DO YOU LIKE
GHOST STORIES?"




"I HOPE SO,
BECAUSE YOU'RE
IN ONE."



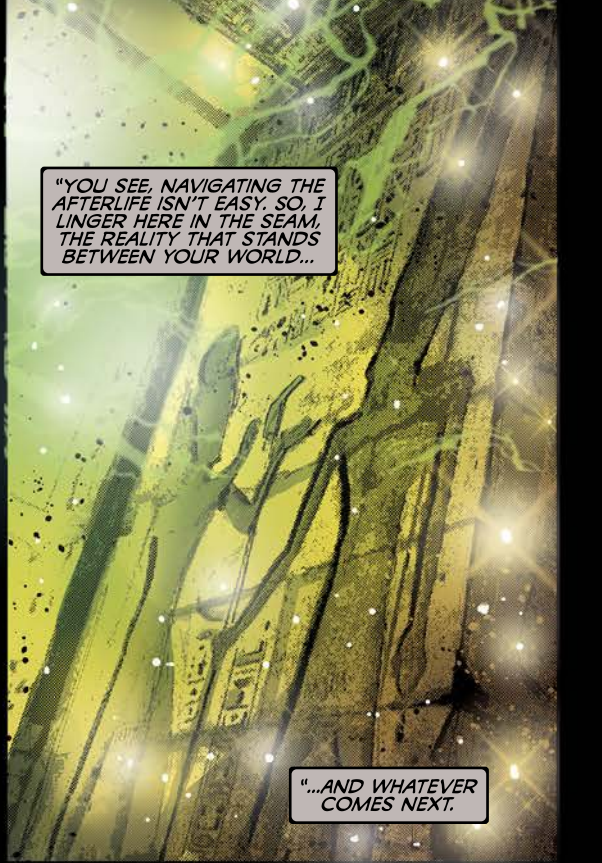


"NOW IF YOU WERE TO ASK ME WHO I AM, I'D TELL YOU I AM ALL THOSE THINGS... BUT MORE."




"YOU SEE, NAVIGATING THE AFTERLIFE ISN'T EASY. SO, I LINGER HERE IN THE SEAM, THE REALITY THAT STANDS BETWEEN YOUR WORLD..."

"...AND WHATEVER COMES NEXT."



"IN THIS MIDDLE PLACE, SOULS MUST CONFRONT THE TRAUMAS THAT WEIGH THEM DOWN. FACE THEIR DEMONS."



"TO DO THIS, THEY MUST ACHIEVE CLARITY AND UNDERSTANDING, ESPECIALLY REGARDING THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS."

"HOW THEY HURT THEMSELVES--AND OTHERS."



"SOULS CAN'T ALWAYS DO THIS BY THEMSELVES."

"THEY NEED HELP..."



YOU HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO THE DUAT.

HERE YOUR HEART MUST BE WEIGHED AGAINST MA'AT—THE FEATHER OF TRUTH.



IF YOUR HEART IS LIGHTER, YOU SHALL BE FREE.

OOHHH!



BUT IF HEAVIER, YOU SHALL FACE AMMIT, THE DEVOURER OF SOULS!

"...AND THAT'S WHERE I COME IN. I'M A GUIDE OF SOULS."



"I'M THE SHEPHERD"





OH MIGHTY, ANUBIS, HAVE MERCY ON ME! PLEASE STAY YOUR WRATH!

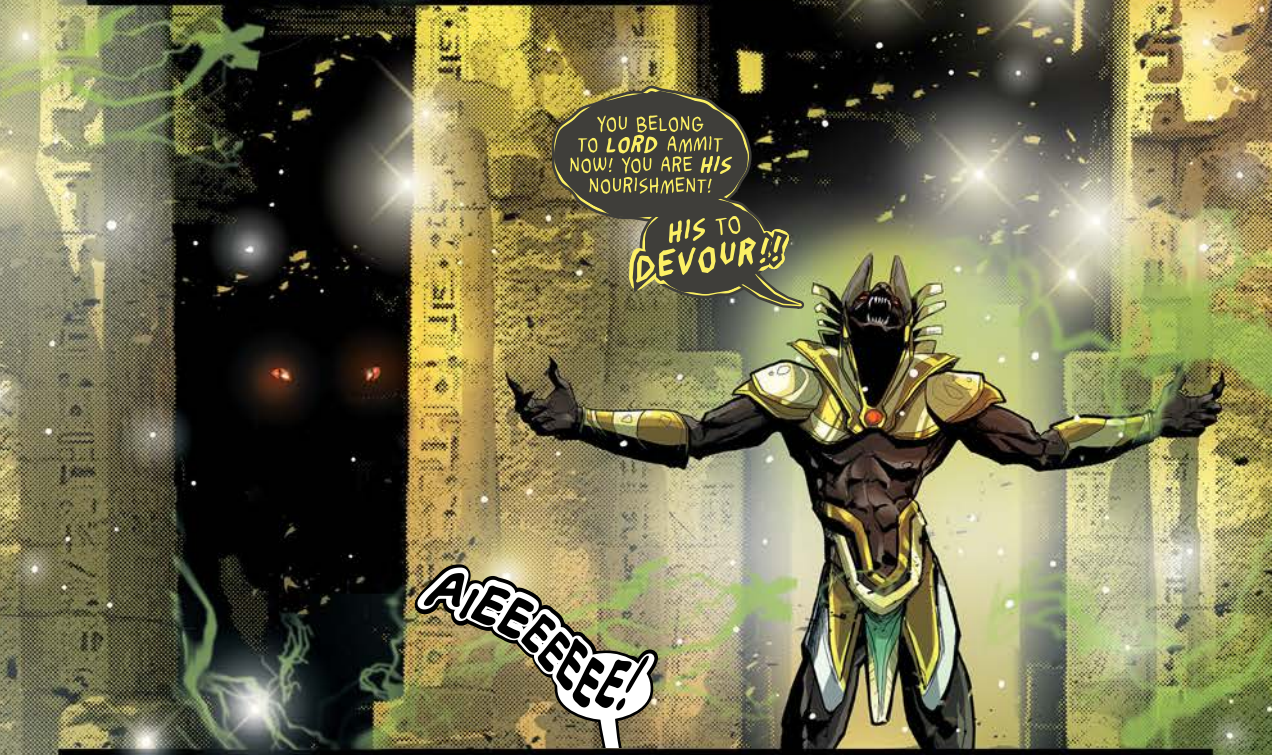
HEH! I FEEL NO WRATH TOWARDS YOU.



DO YOU HAVE FEELINGS FOR THE INDIVIDUAL GRAINS OF SAND IN THE DESERT?

I THINK NOT!

P-PITY ME, LORD ANUBIS.



YOU BELONG TO LORD AMMIT NOW! YOU ARE HIS NOURISHMENT!

HIS TO DEVOUR!!!

AIEEEEEEE!



Hiiiiii/SSSSSSSS

OH NO!
NO!
NO!
NO!



FEED, GREAT LORD AMMIT!

ROOOAAAARRR

AIEEEEEEE!

KER CRUNK

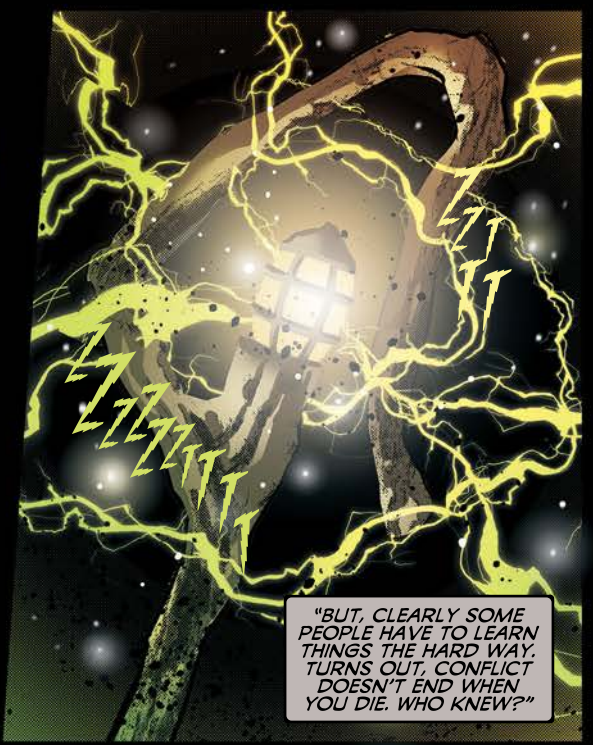


YEAH. SORRY. THAT'S JUST NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. FOR SEVERAL REASONS...

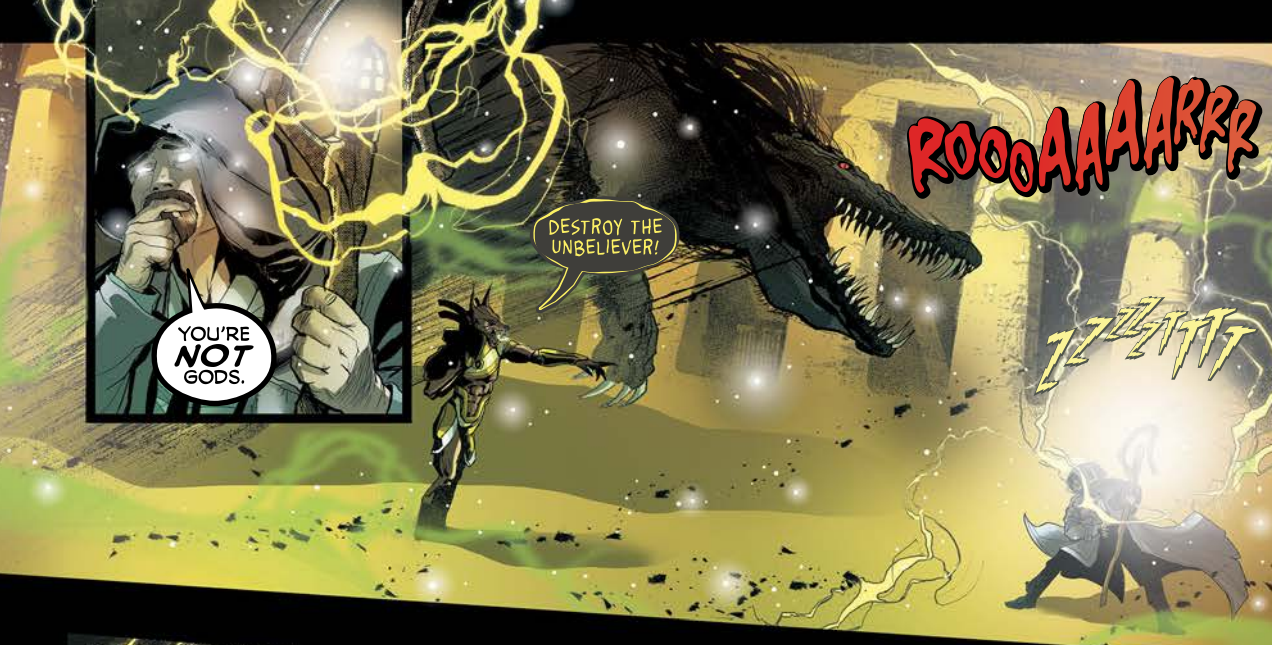
YOU INTERRUPT THE WORK OF GODS, MORTAL! HOW DARE YOU VIOLATE THIS SACRED SPACE?!



"I DON'T ALWAYS SPEND MY TIME FIGHTING PREDATORY SOULS, PRETENDING TO BE ANCIENT EGYPTIAN GODS."



"BUT, CLEARLY SOME PEOPLE HAVE TO LEARN THINGS THE HARD WAY. TURNS OUT, CONFLICT DOESN'T END WHEN YOU DIE. WHO KNEW?"



YOU'RE NOT GODS.

DESTROY THE UNBELIEVER!

ROOAAAARRR

ZZZZZZ



RRRRRR

RRRRRR

ZZZZZZ

ZZZZZZ



RRRRRR

RRRRRR

AMMIT IS NOT A GOD-- SHE'S A GODDESS. DIDN'T KNOW THAT NOW DID YOU, "ANUBIS?"



I KNOW THIS TO BE A FACT, BECAUSE *THIS* IS THE REAL LADY AMMIT.



NEEDLESS TO SAY, THE GODDESS IS... PERPLEXED BY YOUR CLAIMS.





HNNNGH



OOOMPFF



THHOCKK

OWW-
AUHG



YOU'VE BOTH BEEN DEAD A VERY LONG TIME. TIME YOU'VE SQUANDERED ...AND WALKED NOT ONE STEP TOWARDS YOUR DESTINY.



IT'S TIME TO BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY TOWARDS RESTORATION.



LET'S NOT WASTE ANY MORE TIME.

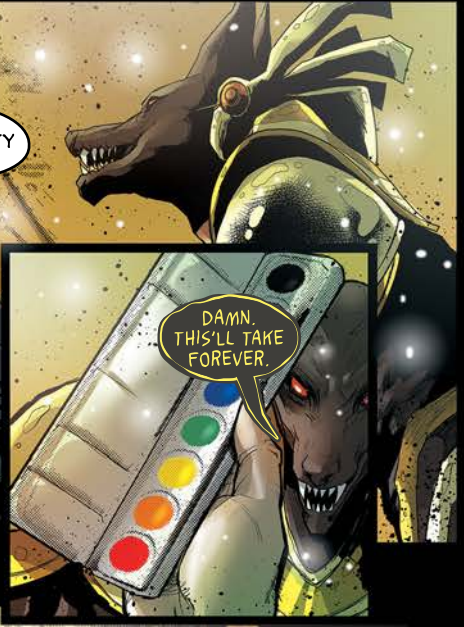


WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW?

ARE YOU GOING TO TORTURE US?



NO. COMMUNITY SERVICE.



DAMN. THIS'LL TAKE FOREVER.



HEH. BEST GET TO IT.



THIS TOOL IS TOO SMALL.

EMBRACE THE WORK. CREATION'S GOOD FOR THE SOUL.



JUST IN CASE YOU PLAN TO LEAVE THIS PLACE, LADY AMMIT HAS AGREED TO DROP IN DAILY TO INSPECT YOUR PROGRESS.



I'M SURE YOU'LL WANT TO KEEP HER HAPPY.

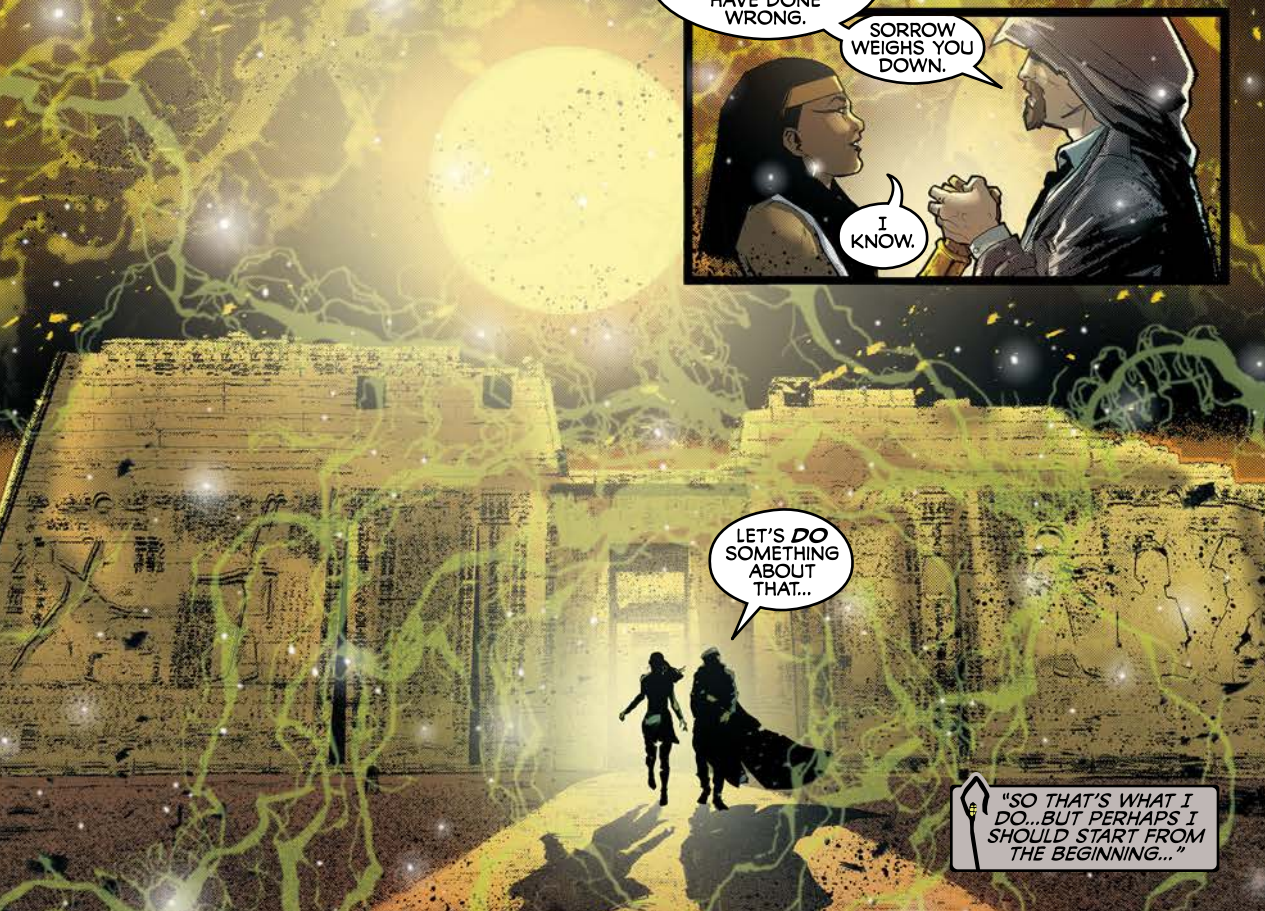


MY DEAR, THE WEIGHING DIDN'T LIE. YOUR HEART IS HEAVY--BUT NOT BECAUSE YOU HAVE DONE WRONG.



SORROW WEIGHS YOU DOWN.

I KNOW.



LET'S DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT...

"SO THAT'S WHAT I DO...BUT PERHAPS I SHOULD START FROM THE BEGINNING..."

HERE'S MORE TO ENJOY!



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