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Good is a lie.

Evil, an excuse.

*Between the two,
stood only my power.*

*Across realms untold,
I served the balance.*

I was the balance...



...emphasis on "was."

MORDEKAIEN!

LORD MAGE OF GREYHAWK. LAST OF THE EIGHT. LOST CHILD OF OERTH. ARCHMAGE OF COSMIC NEUTRALITY.

KRAK-A-FOOSH

THE PLATINUM LORD BAHAMUT, MASTER OF DRAGONS AND GOD OF ALL GOOD, SENDS ME WITH HIS DREAD PROPHECY.

CHAOS. DESTRUCTION NOT SEEN FOR 30,000 YEARS. THE COMING END OF ALL THINGS.

AND AT THE CENTER...

...YOU.





I AM RADIANT Zael, THE GRANDMASTER OF FLOWERS, FIST OF THE DRAGON GOD.

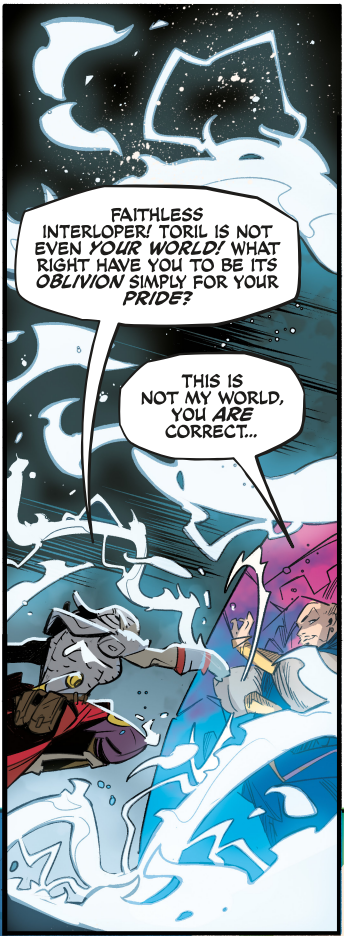
AND I OFFER YOU TWO PATHS.

THE FIRST: SHED YOURSELF OF THIS PLACE, OF YOUR POWER, OF YOUR AGELESS BURDENS. TAKE THE PROTECTION OF THE PLATINUM CREATOR AND LIVE THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IN QUIET AND SAFETY, FREE FROM DESTINY'S PULL.



THE LIFE OF A COWARD.

I'LL PASS.

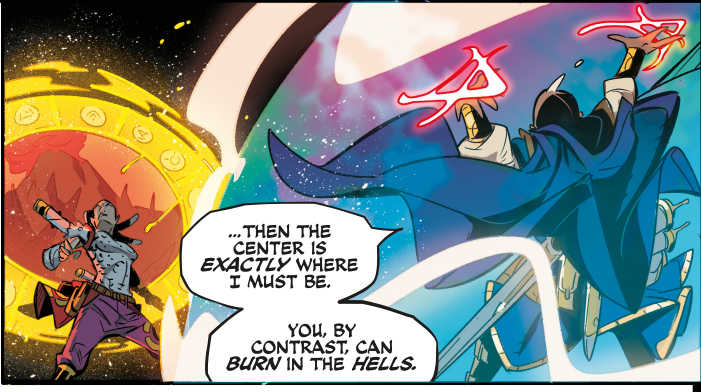


FAITHLESS INTERLOPER! TORIL IS NOT EVEN YOUR WORLD! WHAT RIGHT HAVE YOU TO BE ITS OBLIVION SIMPLY FOR YOUR PRIDE?

THIS IS NOT MY WORLD, YOU ARE CORRECT...

...BUT I HAVE GROWN RATHER FOND OF IT.

SO, IF THE FUTURE OF THIS PLANET TEETERS ON THE BRINK OF DESTRUCTION...



...THEN THE CENTER IS EXACTLY WHERE I MUST BE.

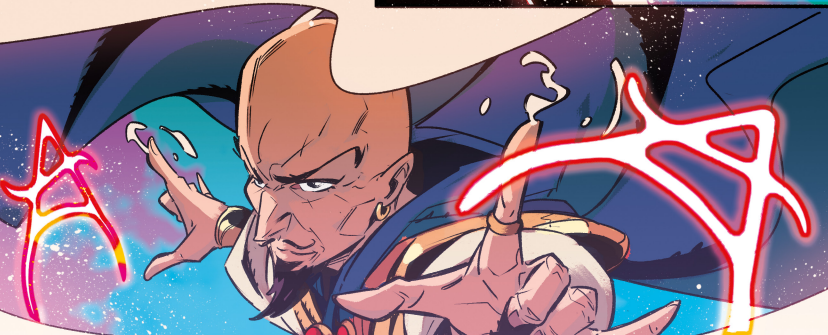
YOU, BY CONTRAST, CAN BURN IN THE HELLS.



I WILL DELIVER YOU THERE SWIFTLY.

Hell.

I knew not yet the meaning.







The pain was everything.

I could have descended its fathoms for aeons untold.

But my curiosity drew me back to the surface of my mind...

...that I might learn the true toll of the dragon god.

Her demands to stay down, I **SILENCED**.

Her imposing physique, I **IMPRISONED**.

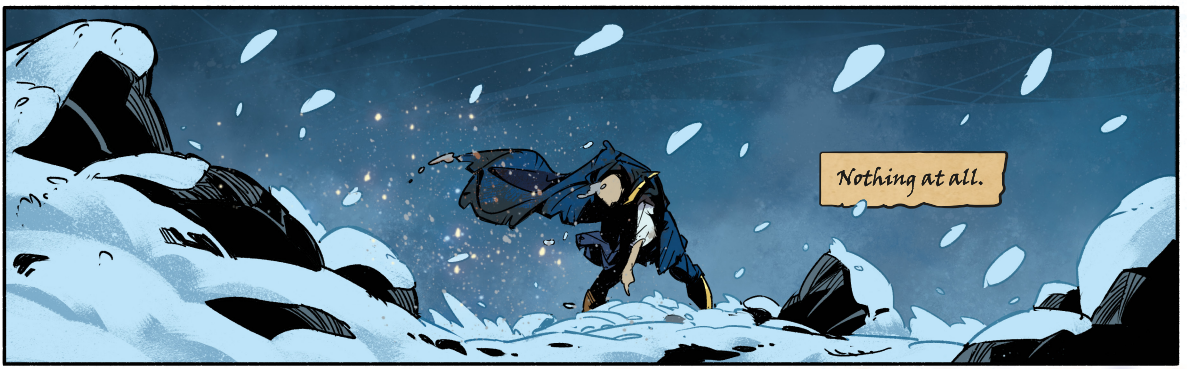
Her life, I ended with a single word. **KILL.**

Except...

I did none of those things.

I reached for magic...

...and found nothing.

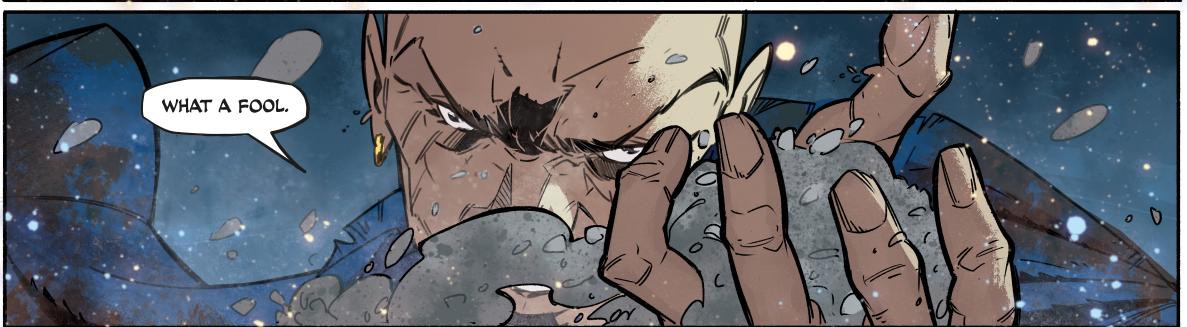


Nothing at all.



BAHAMUT!

DO YOU
TRULY THINK
THIS WILL
STOP ME!?



WHAT A FOOL.

YOU CAN MAKE THE WEAVE A STRANGER TO ME.

YOU CAN DESTROY ALL THAT WHICH I HAVE BUILT.

BUT I WILL BUILD IT AGAIN.

FOR I WAS SELF-FORGED IN THAT MOST CHERISHED PLACE BETWEEN THE HEAVENS AND HELL'S.

BALANCE IS NOT AN IDEA TO ME. IT IS A SACRED, ETERNAL WALL.

AND WHETHER MAGIC-TOUCHED OR GOD-FORGED, WHEN TYRANTS GOOD OR EVIL SEEK TO PUSH THAT WALL TO RUIN...

...IT WILL BE MORDENKAINEN THAT PUSHES BACK.

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THIS FALL



**THEY TOOK HIS
MAGIC.**

**THEY DID
NOT TAKE HIS
POWER.**

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