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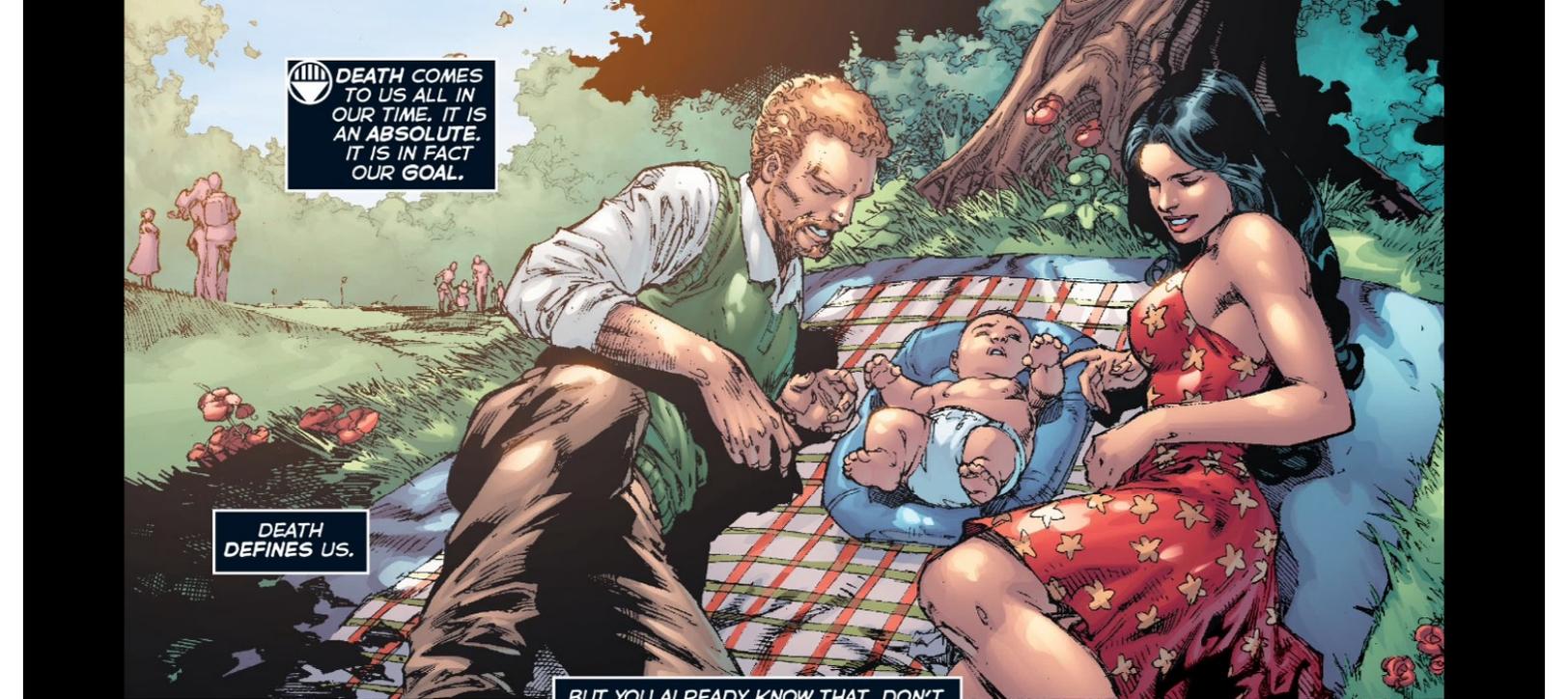
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DEATH COMES TO US ALL IN OUR TIME. IT IS AN ABSOLUTE. IT IS IN FACT OUR GOAL.

DEATH DEFINES US.

BUT YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT, DON'T YOU, DONNA? YOU HAVE SLIPPED AWAY FROM DEATH TIME AND AGAIN. CHEATED YOUR WAY INTO LIVES THAT WERE NEVER MEANT TO BE.

CREATING LIFE THAT SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN.

YOUR FAMILY WAS TAKEN FROM YOU BECAUSE DEATH DEMANDED IT.



YES, YOU, DONNA TROY--YOU CHEATED DEATH, BUT THEY PAID THE PRICE.

 NOW YOUR TIME HAS COME.



DONNA.  
IT'S OKAY.  
I'VE GOT  
YOU.

JUST--JUST  
LOOK AT THEM.  
TALK ABOUT  
MESSED UP.

IT'S A TRICK.  
IT HAS TO BE.  
THEY'RE NOT  
THEM.



THAT HURTS, HONEY. OF COURSE, IT'S US.  
WE CAME TO GIVE YOU A SECOND CHANCE.  
MAYBE YOU'LL BE A BETTER MOTHER  
THIS TIME AROUND.

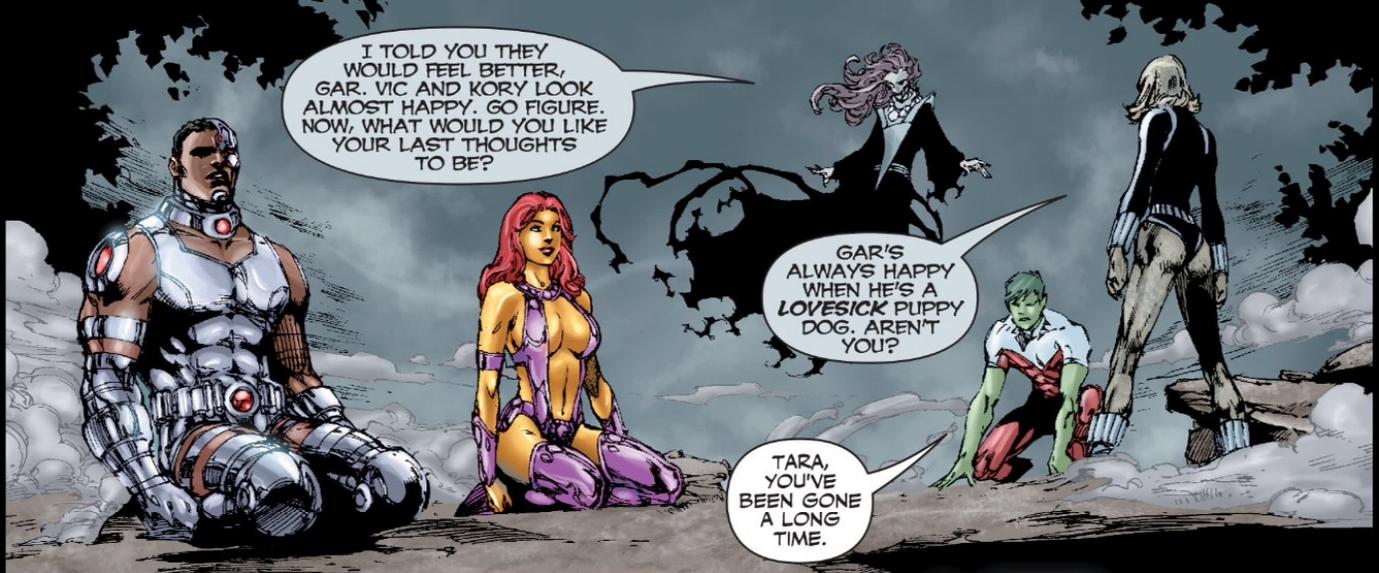
MOMMY.

BART, GET  
ME MY COSTUME. I  
CAN'T FIGHT THEM  
LIKE THIS.

DONNA,  
YOU'RE  
INJURED. YOU  
CAN'T FIGHT  
THEM.



NO. THAT'S  
JUST IT, CASSIE.  
I HAVE TO.



I TOLD YOU THEY WOULD FEEL BETTER, GAR. VIC AND KORY LOOK ALMOST HAPPY. GO FIGURE. NOW, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR LAST THOUGHTS TO BE?

GAR'S ALWAYS HAPPY WHEN HE'S A LOVESICK PUPPY DOG. AREN'T YOU?

TARA, YOU'VE BEEN GONE A LONG TIME.



I'M NOBODY'S PUPPY DOG.



SLICE

I'M BACK. BACK TO WHAT I HAVE TO CALL NORMAL. THE STEEL, THE MACHINERY... THAT CIRCUITRY BUZZING IN MY BRAIN.



DICK...? HE'S GONE.

UM, GUYS--



--WHILE YOU WERE OUT, THINGS GOT A WHOLE LOT WORSE.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CREATURES ARE, BUT EVERYTHING BURNS.

SERIOUSLY, VICTOR. HAVEN'T YOU KILLED ENOUGH TITANS?

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NO...NOT YOU  
TOO.

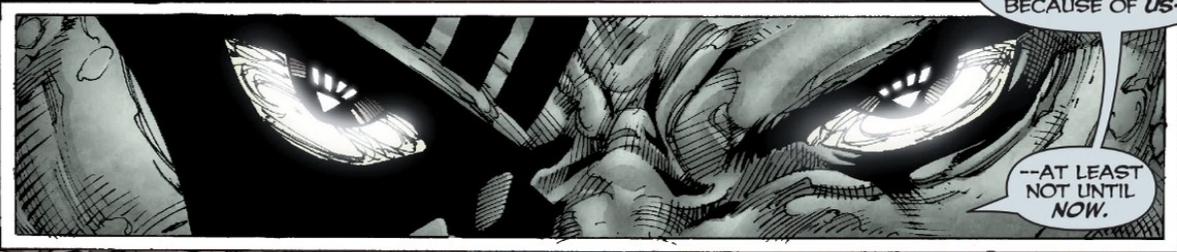
AFRAID  
SO.



WHAT'S THE  
MATTER? DOES  
IT MAKE YOU FEEL  
RESPONSIBLE?

I WAS ONLY  
AN HONORARY  
MEMBER. LOOK  
WHAT HAPPENED  
TO ME.

YOU SHOULD  
HAVE LEFT IT TO US  
FOUNDING MEMBERS.  
NO TITANS DIED  
BECAUSE OF US--

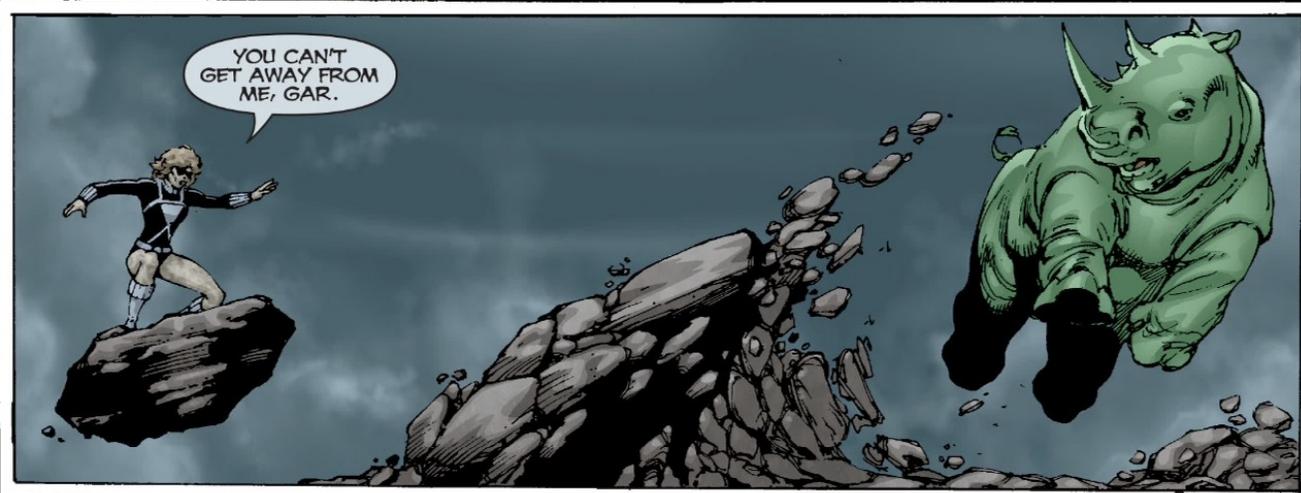


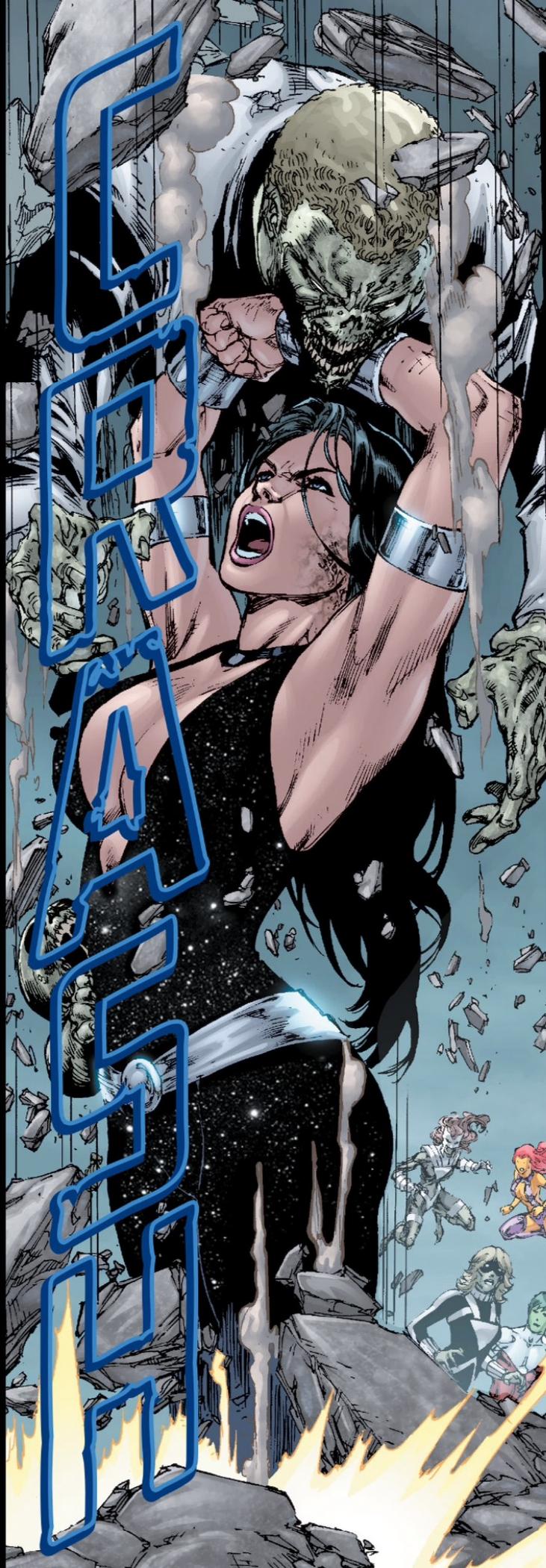
--AT  
LEAST  
UNTIL  
NOW.



YOU KNOW  
YOUR PROBLEM, KORY?  
YOU'RE ALL WARRIOR, NO  
PRINCESS. MEN DON'T  
LIKE TOUGH GIRLS.

THAT'S WHY  
YOU'RE STILL  
ALONE.





MY GOD--  
THEY KILLED  
GARTH. WHO  
ELSE DID THEY  
GET TO?



DONNA!  
HANG ON. I'M  
COMING.

DONNA IS AN  
AMAZON. SHE CAN  
TAKE CARE OF  
HERSELF. WHICH IS  
MORE THAN I CAN  
SAY FOR YOU.

I SEE YOUR  
FEAR. YOU  
CAN'T HANDLE  
A BEAST.



DONNA, REMEMBER WHAT WE  
TOLD EACH OTHER ON OUR  
WEDDING NIGHT? THE PROMISE  
WE MADE? WE SAID--

SHUT UP.  
JUST SHUT UP.  
I GET IT NOW.  
YOU'RE NOT TERRIFIED.  
YOU'RE ONLY HIS  
HUSK--BEING USED  
AS A PUPPET IN  
SOMEONE'S SICK  
GAME.

BUT IT DOESN'T  
MATTER. YOU WON.  
YOU POISONED  
EVERY MEMORY  
I HAD WITH YOU--  
WITH THEM.

WHATEVER  
HAPPENS, I'LL  
NEVER BE ABLE TO  
THINK OF THEM AND  
NOT REMEMBER  
THIS NIGHT.

NOW AND  
FOREVER--

--TERRY  
IS **DEAD** TO  
ME.



LISTEN TO ME. IT'S NOT THEM. DO YOU HEAR ME, EVERYONE???

THESE AREN'T THE PEOPLE WE LOVED. THESE AREN'T THE PEOPLE WE LOST. THEY ARE NOTHING BUT EMPTY SHELLS.

WHATEVER THEY DO. WHATEVER THEY SAY. IT'S NOT THEM!!!

IT'S NOT THEM.



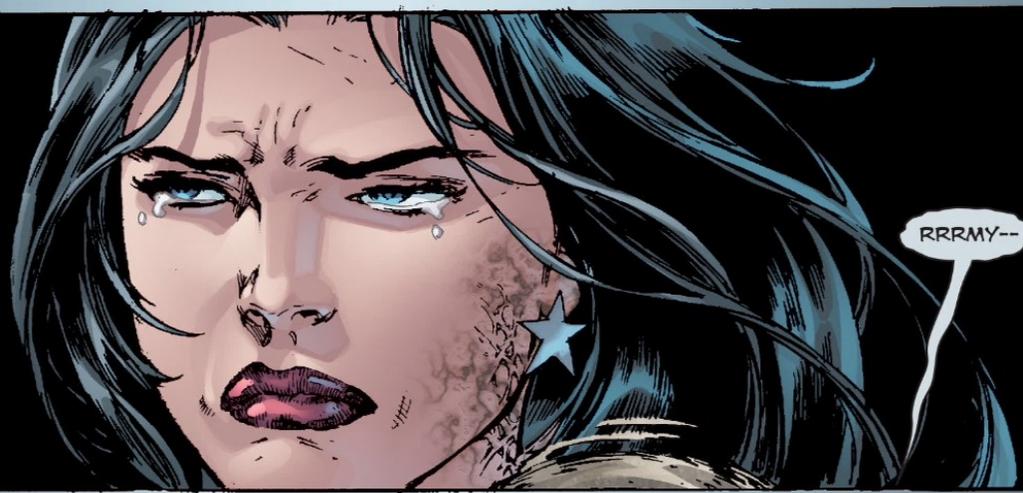
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MOMMY.



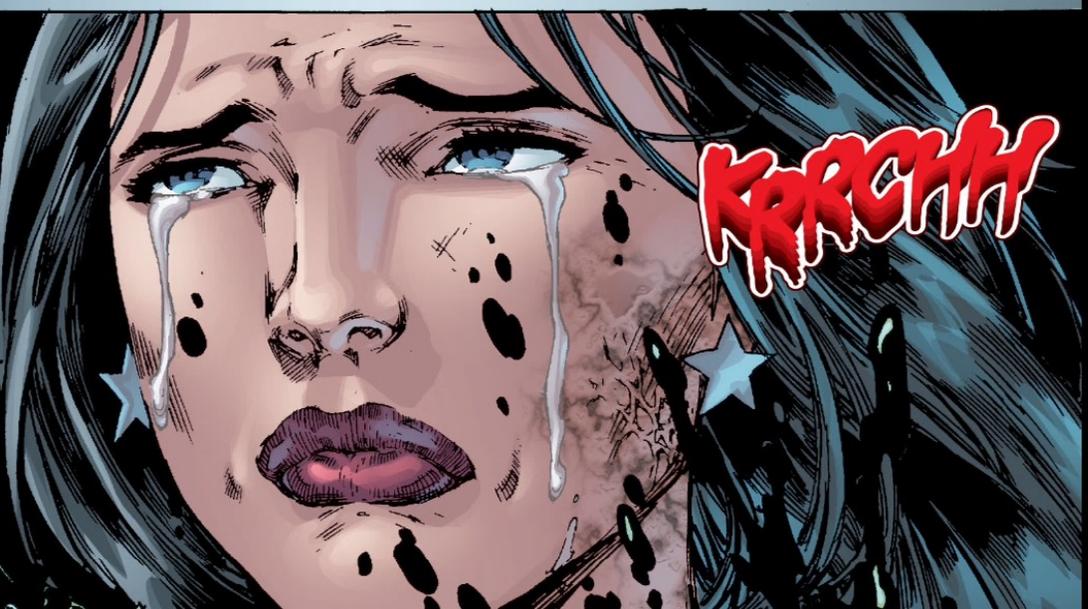
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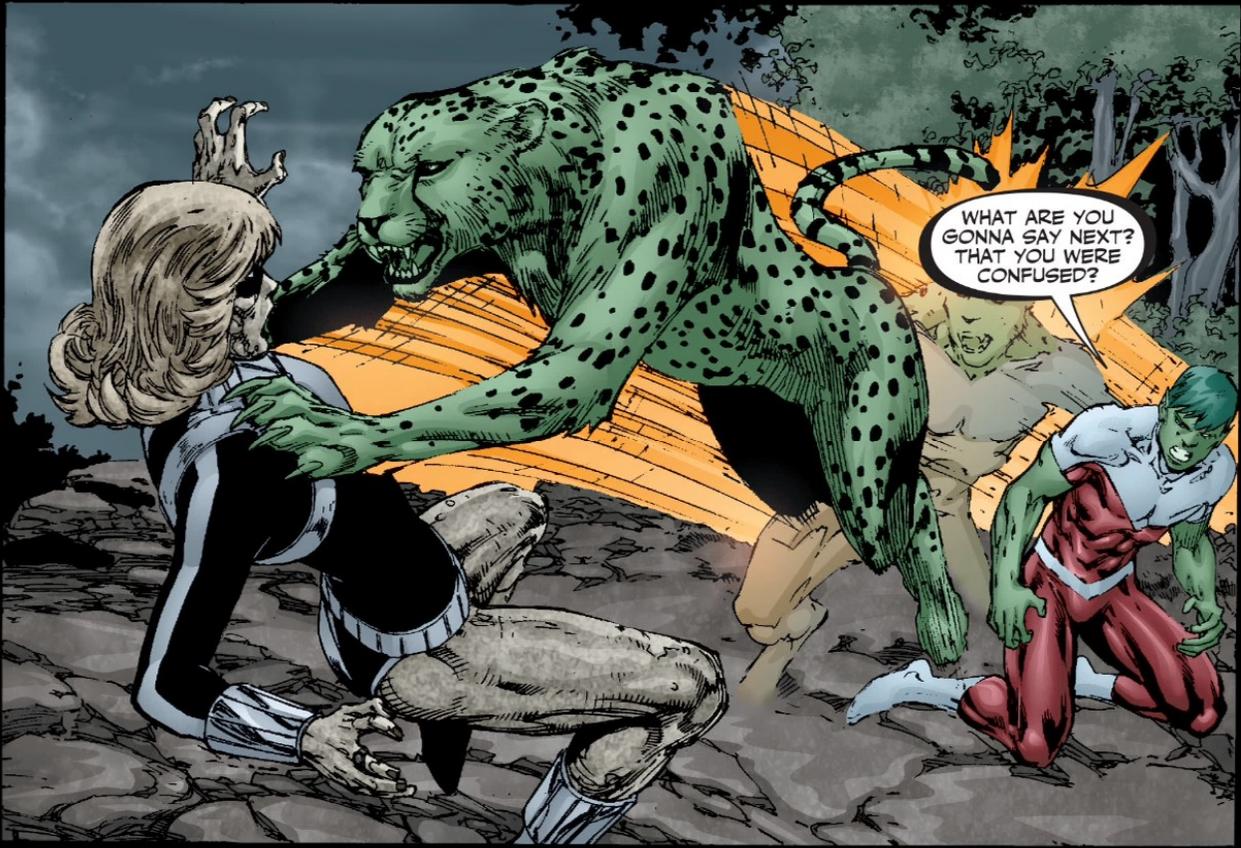
RRRMY--



I'M SORRY.

**KRRCHH**





WHAT ARE YOU GONNA SAY NEXT? THAT YOU WERE CONFUSED?



THAT YOU WERE CONTROLLED?

GAR... PLEASE...

**RIPP**



THAT YOU WERE DRUGGED?

**SMASH**



IT'S ME. IT'S REALLY ME.

NO. YOU'RE NOT. BUT YOU MIGHT AS WELL BE. BECAUSE YOU ARE JUST LIKE HER.

A FAKE. A PHONY.

EVERYTHING SHE WAS. EVERYTHING I SAW IN HER. I MADE IT ALL UP IN MY HEAD.

AND I KNEW. DEEP DOWN, I KNEW.



RAGE.

NONE OF IT WAS REAL!!

MAYBE, BUT IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT YOU STILL LOVE ME.

I DON'T CARE WHAT YOU KNOW, WHAT YOU REALIZE, WHAT YOU BELIEVE. NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, YOU'LL ALWAYS LOVE ME.



I KNOW.





THIS ISN'T NEW FOR YOU. IS IT, BART? DON'T YOU REMEMBER? THE ICY CHILL AS THE ROGUES BEAT YOU TO DEATH?

YOU WOULD HAVE STAYED DEAD, BUT HE WANTED YOU BACK.



I CAME HERE LOOKING FOR HELP, BUT I'M THE ONE DOING THE SAVING.

DOVE! THANK GOD. WE REALLY NEEDED HELP EVENING THE ODDS AROUND HERE.



VIC! LOOK OUT!



THE TITANS ARE STILL AROUND? CAN'T BE MUCH OF A TEAM WITHOUT HANK HALL.



THERE AIN'T NO ESCAPING IT, DAWN. WE'RE EVERYWHERE.



WHADDYA SAY, WILDEBEST? WANNA MAKE A WISH?



HE LOVES YOU.

NO, HE LOVES YOU.

HE LOVES YOU.

NO, HE LOVES YOU.



GET OUT OF HER HEAD, WITCH.



YOU GOT QUITE A MEAN STREAK, DON'T YOU?

NO...

YES.



THEY...  
THEY CAN'T BE  
STOPPED.

OF  
COURSE WE  
CAN'T.



THERE IS  
NO END TO  
WAR.



I KNOW YOU'RE  
FEELING SOMETHING  
INSIDE, SIS.



THERE  
IS ONLY THE FLEETING  
MOMENTS BETWEEN  
CONFLICT.

PEACE  
IS A JOKE.  
AND SO ARE  
YOU.



WHATEVER  
IT IS, I'LL DIG IT  
OUT OF YOU.



NO... PLEASE...



IT...

... IT BURNS.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!



I... DON'T KNOW!

HOLLY!



MAKE IT STOP!



AAIEEE!

CONNECTION SEVERED.



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NO.  
STAY BACK,  
TITANS.

AS FOR YOU  
MONSTERS--

YOU WANT OUR  
**STRENGTH?** YOU  
WANT OUR **HOPE?**  
YOU WANT OUR  
**FEAR?** YOU WANT  
OUR **RAGE?**



**COME  
AND TAKE  
IT!**



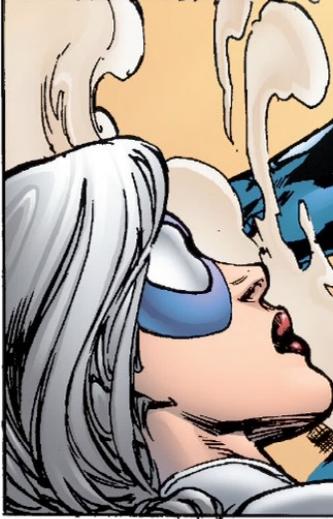
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HANK NEVER HAD AN EASY TIME OF IT, NEITHER DID HOLLY.



BUT WE LOVED THEM ANYWAY.

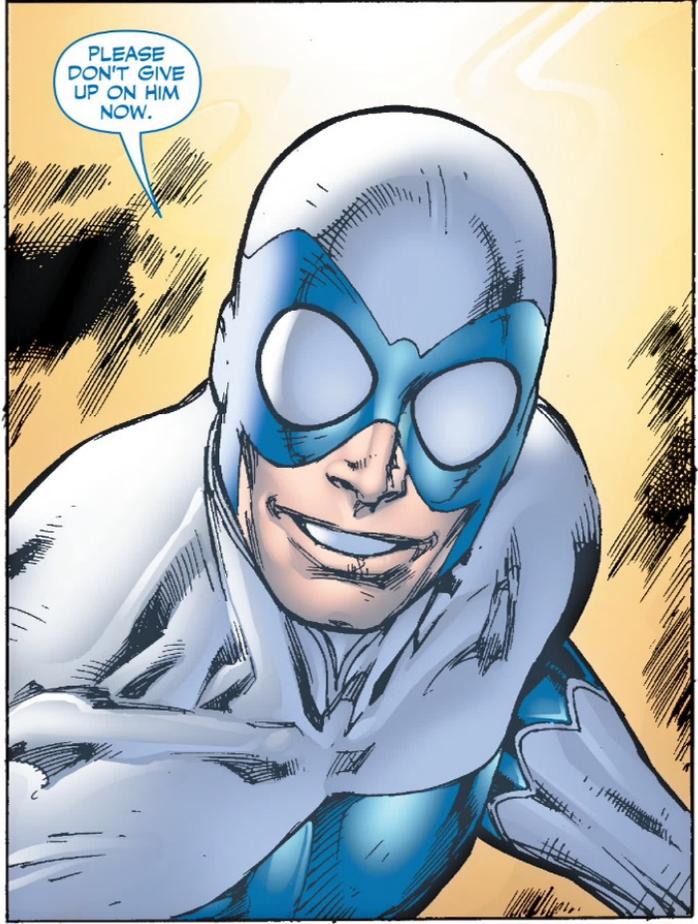


DON?



YOU CAN SAVE HIM.

JUST LIKE ME, YOU NEVER GAVE UP ON HIM.



PLEASE DON'T GIVE UP ON HIM NOW.



DOVE.

WHAT HAPPENED?

WE THREW EVERYTHING WE HAD AT THEM, BUT THEY KEPT COMING BACK. BUT YOU--YOU SEEM TO HAVE DESTROYED THEM FOR GOOD. THE FEW REMAINING HAVE FLED.

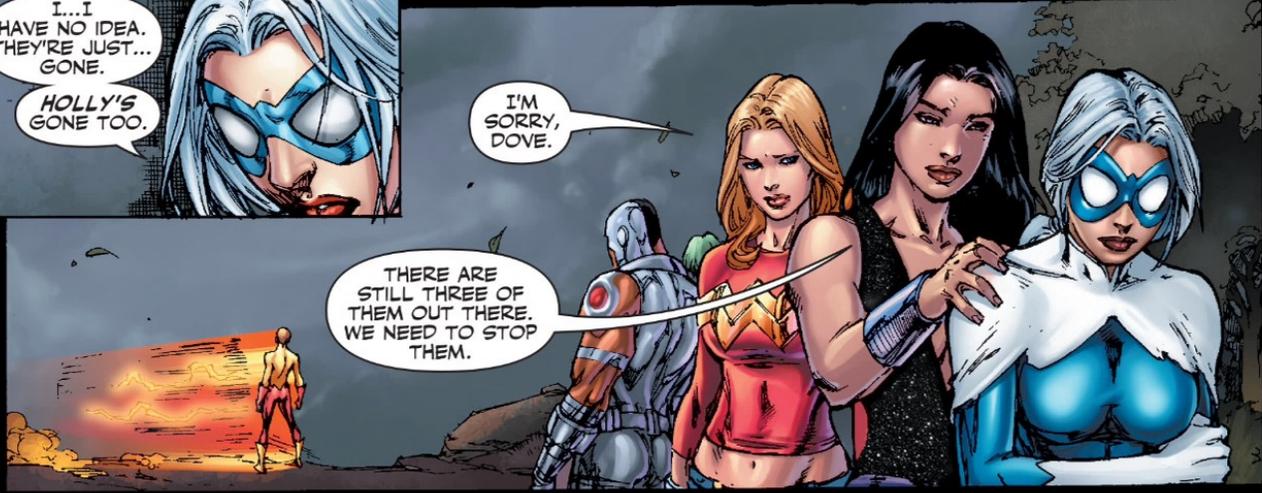
WHAT DID YOU DO?



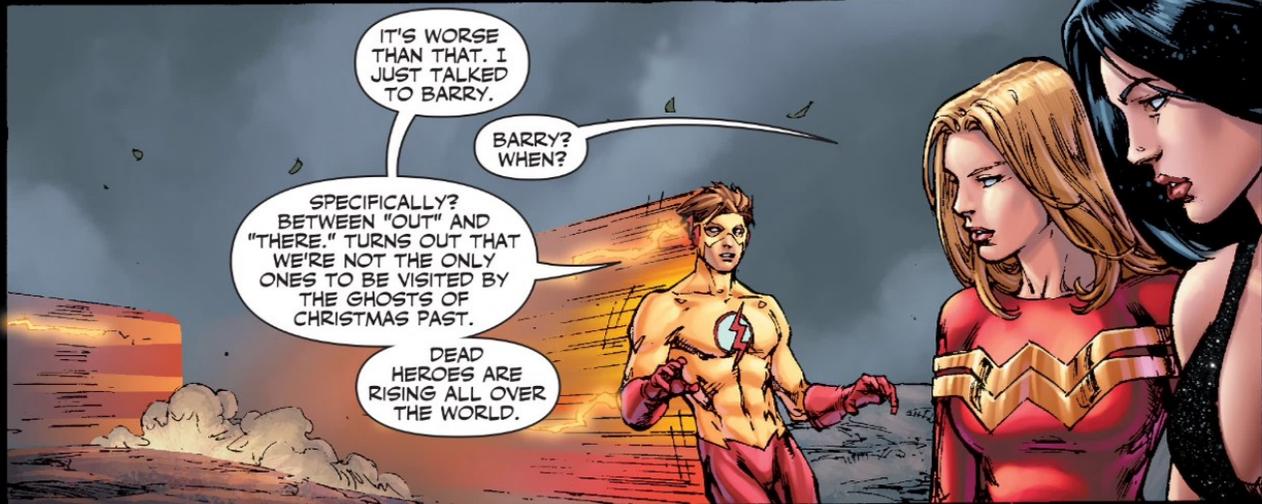
I...I HAVE NO IDEA. THEY'RE JUST... GONE.

HOLLY'S GONE TOO.

I'M SORRY, DOVE.



THERE ARE STILL THREE OF THEM OUT THERE. WE NEED TO STOP THEM.



IT'S WORSE THAN THAT. I JUST TALKED TO BARRY.

BARRY? WHEN?

SPECIFICALLY? BETWEEN "OUT" AND "THERE." TURNS OUT THAT WE'RE NOT THE ONLY ONES TO BE VISITED BY THE GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS PAST.

DEAD HEROES ARE RISING ALL OVER THE WORLD.



GAR?

YOU GOT TO PULL YOURSELF OUT OF THESE HEAD GAMES. SOMEONE'S PLAYING US--BIG TIME.

SHE WASN'T WORTH IT.



SHE WASN'T WORTH ANY OF IT.



NOT BY A LONG SHOT.

I'M NOT AN IDIOT. I MAY HAVE BEEN IN LOVE, BUT I WASN'T TOTALLY OBLIVIOUS. I HEARD WHAT EVERYONE SAID BEHIND MY BACK, BUT I DIDN'T CARE.

I CHOSE TO BELIEVE THAT BURIED UNDER HER TROUBLED EXTERIOR, TARA WAS A GOOD PERSON.



YOU HOPED FOR THE BEST IN HER. I GET IT. YOU'RE AN OPTIMIST.

YOU JUST PICKED THE WRONG GIRL.



SHE'S OUT THERE. SOMEWHERE...

WHO? THAT CREATURE? DON'T WORRY. WE'LL GET HER.

NO. NOT THAT. THE GIRL FOR ME. SHE'S OUT THERE. AND I'LL FIND HER. EVENTUALLY.



WE NEED TO GET DOVE TO THE FRONT LINES.

DONNA, SHE CAN BARELY STAND UP.

SHE MAY BE THE ONLY WAY TO STOP WHATEVER IS HAPPENING.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME. I CAN DO THIS.

YOU HAVE TO STAY CLOSE TO ME. UNDERSTAND?

I DON'T NEED YOU TO PROTECT ME.



THAT'S NOT IT. ONE OF THOSE CREATURES BIT ME. THE POWER BEHIND THESE BLACK LANTERNS...IT WANTS ME. I CAN FEEL IT.

IF I TURN... IF I BECOME LIKE THEM, I WANT YOU RIGHT THERE AT MY SIDE--

--SO YOU CAN END IT.



BE STRONG, TITANS.

AND PLEASE, LET ME BE STRONG.

LONG ENOUGH TO STOP THEM.

**END.**

