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PAST FEARS
CHAPTER 4

PULLED FROM HIS OWN ERA AND RAISED IN A FAR-FLUNG FUTURE, NATHAN SUMMERS HAS TRAVERSED TIME IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE HUMAN AND MUTANT ALIKE. HE IS THE LINK BETWEEN THE PAST, THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE. HE IS KNOWN BY MANY NAMES, BUT TO MOST HE IS SIMPLY THE MAN CALLED...

CABLE

AFTER REUNITING WITH HIS ESTRANGED DAUGHTER HOPE, CABLE SET OUT TO FIGHT A TECHNO-ORGANIC MONSTER THAT HAS BEEN TORMENTING HIM FOR YEARS. DURING THE CONFLICT, THE MONSTER DUG INTO CABLE'S MIND, FORCING HIM TO CONFRONT THEIR LONG AND SORDID HISTORY. FIRST, REVISITING THEIR CONFLICT DURING THE MESSIAH WAR, THE MONSTER TRIED AND FAILED TO STEAL YOUNG HOPE AWAY FROM CABLE. THEN, BACK TO THE AGE OF THE HELLFIRE HUNT, WHERE X-MAN LEARNED CABLE HARBORED A HORRIBLE SECRET ABOUT THE MONSTER...

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THE PAST.

PEOPLE FORM GROUPS FOR A MULTITUDE OF REASONS.

THEY HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO ACHIEVE MORE THAN INDIVIDUALS ACTING ALONE.



THEY CAN KEEP US SAFE, HELPING US TO ACHIEVE WHAT WE'RE NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO BY OURSELVES.

BUT EVERY GROUP NEEDS A LEADER.



AN INDIVIDUAL WHO TAKES RESPONSIBILITY. WHO EXERTS THEIR POWER AND OPINIONS OVER OTHERS.

THIS WAY, GUYS! IT'S A SHORTCUT.

A PERSON WHO CAN SEE DANGER BEFORE IT HAPPENS...

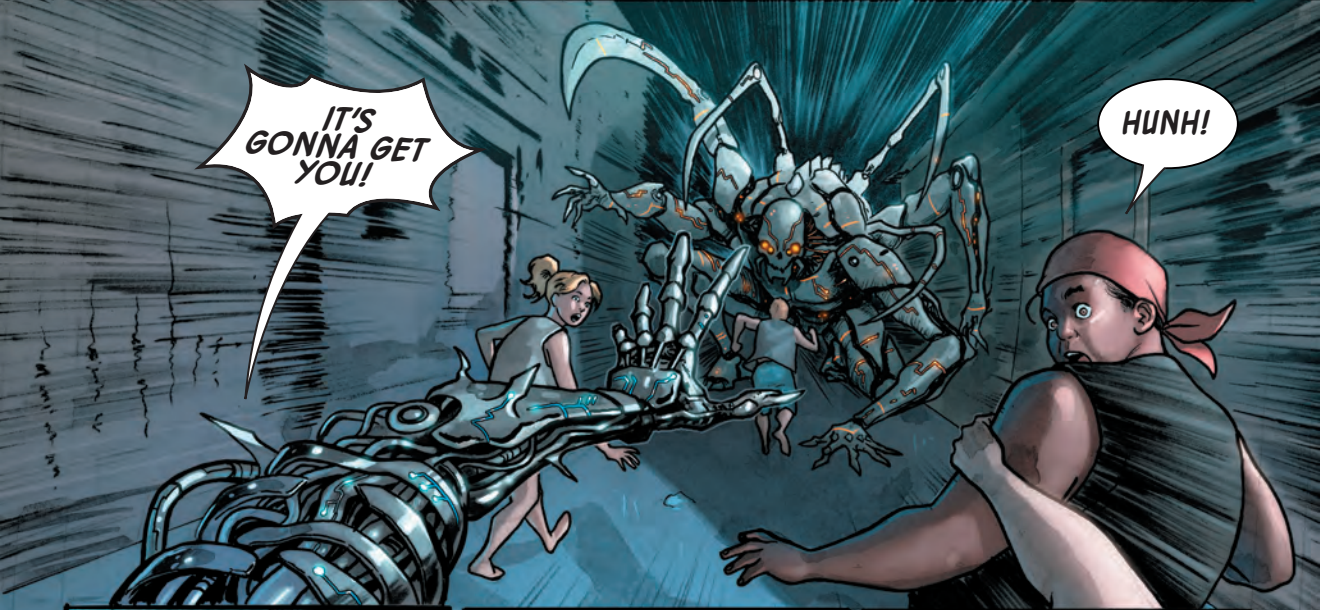




...BECAUSE THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING OUT THERE, WAITING FOR US.



WATCH OUT!



IT'S GONNA GET YOU!

HUNH!

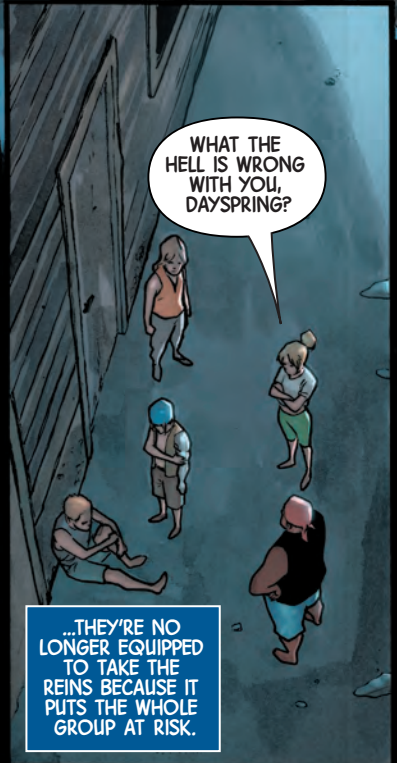


BUT WHEN A LEADER GIVES IN TO FEAR...



OW...

WHA--? BUT IT WAS--



WHAT THE HELL IS WRONG WITH YOU, DAYSPRING?

...THEY'RE NO LONGER EQUIPPED TO TAKE THE REINS BECAUSE IT PUTS THE WHOLE GROUP AT RISK.

**THE
ADIRONDACK
MOUNTAINS,
NEW YORK,
6:00 AM.**



"I FEEL LIKE I'M
LOSING THEM, **DOMINO**.
THE TEAM STILL
DOESN'T TRUST ME."

YEARS AGO.*

THEY'RE JUST
KIDS AND YOU'RE
ASKING THEM TO BE
SOLDIERS. THAT CHANGE
DOESN'T HAPPEN
OVERNIGHT.

I KNOW...
MY RULE HAS
ALWAYS BEEN TO
WHIP THEM INTO
SHAPE WITH A
STERN HAND.

BUT
THEY'RE
STARTING TO
RESENT ME
FOR THAT.

*THIS ISSUE TAKES PLACE AFTER
X-FORCE (1991) #2! --DS

THEY REVERE YOU.
THEY JUST WANNA
FOLLOW A **PERSON**, NOT
A SET OF COMMANDS.
I HEAR THE WAY
THEY TALK--

I CAN READ
THEIR MINDS. THEY
THINK I'M A GRUMPY
OLD MAN, OUT OF
TOUCH, TOO
MILITARISTIC.

I'M AFRAID
THEY COULD
BE RIGHT.

PROFESSOR,
ROUTE POWER TO THE
CENTRAL HOLO-CORE.
INITIATE BOOTING
SEQUENCE.

INITIATING.

MAYBE I'M NOT
CUT OUT FOR THIS.
I NEVER EXACTLY
ASKED FOR IT...

THE PEOPLE BEST
SUITED TO LEAD ARE
THOSE WHO DON'T
SEEK IT OUT.

LEADERSHIP IS
THRUST UPON THEM,
AND THEY ACCEPT THEIR
DUTY BECAUSE THEY
MUST. JUST LIKE
YOU DID WITH
X-FORCE.