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STEPHEN STRANGE WAS A PRE-EMINENT SURGEON UNTIL A CAR ACCIDENT DAMAGED THE NERVES IN HIS HANDS. HIS EGO DROVE HIM TO SCOUR THE GLOBE FOR A MIRACLE CURE. INSTEAD, HE FOUND A MYSTERIOUS WIZARD CALLED THE ANCIENT ONE, WHO TAUGHT HIM THE MYSTIC ARTS AND OPENED HIS EYES TO THE MAGIC BEHIND REALITY. THESE LESSONS ENABLED STEPHEN TO BECOME THE SORCERER SUPREME, EARTH'S FIRST DEFENSE AGAINST ALL MANNER OF MAGICAL THREATS. HIS PATIENTS CALL HIM...

LAST
TIME...

DOCTOR STRANGE

DOCTOR STEPHEN STRANGE HAS RETURNED FROM HIS ADVENTURES ACROSS THE GALAXY...ONLY TO FIND HIMSELF THE RECIPIENT OF A MOST UNUSUAL VISITOR FROM THE PAST!



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DOCTOR STRANGE CREATED BY STAN LEE & STEVE DITKO

YEARS PAST--A LIFETIME AGO--I SUPPLICATED MYSELF BEFORE THIS MAN, THE ANCIENT ONE, THE WORLD'S MASTER OF THE SORCEROUS ARTS.

BROKEN, I BEGGED HIM TO SAVE ME, TO MAKE ME WHOLE.

NOW HE HAS COME BEFORE ME BEGGING THE SAME.

AND THUS I HAVE A GRAVE SENSE THAT I AM ABOUT TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW ABOUT MAGIC.

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dedicated to Stan Lee and Steve Ditko,
without whom...







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...AND THAT
IS WHY I SUMMONED
YOU, OLD FRIEND. I HAD
NO ONE ELSE TO
TURN TO.

IT'S MY
SON, JINO. HE
STOLE ONE OF MY
MINOR GEMS THIS
MORNING TO DO...
SOMETHING, BUT HE
WILL NOT SAY
WHAT.

HE WON'T
SPEAK AT ALL. HE
MERELY GAZES SILENTLY
AND FRETFULLY INTO
THE GEM.

JINO? JINO,
YOUR FATHER IS
RIGHTFULLY **WORRIED**.
WILL YOU TELL ME
WHAT'S WRONG?

VERY WELL.
FORGIVE ME, BUT
I CAN'T HELP YOU
UNLESS YOU...

...OPEN
UP TO
ME.

I'M SORRY!
I'M SO SORRY
I STOLE IT! I JUST
GOT TIRED OF ALL
THE BULLYING!

I THOUGHT
MAYBE IF THE
MEAN KIDS SAW HOW
COOL IT LOOKED, I'D
BE COOL **TOO!**
BUT--BUT--

TIBET.

MANY YEARS AGO...

I HAVE LIVED OVER 500 YEARS, BUT EVEN THE MOST POTENT OF ENCHANTMENTS CANNOT KEEP MY BODY HEALTHY AND FUNCTIONING FOR MORE THAN, AT MOST, ANOTHER DECADE.

MY NAME IS YAO OF KAMAR-TAJ. I AM EARTH'S SORCERER SUPREME.

FOR MANY YEARS, I HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR A PROPER DISCIPLE-- SOMEONE WORTHY OF MY TEACHINGS WHO MAY EVENTUALLY ASSUME MY ROLE AS EARTH'S MYSTIC PROTECTOR.

SOMEONE SELFLESS. SOMEONE PATIENT. SOMEONE CAPABLE OF INTROSPECTION.

I'M

SO

BORED!

THIS IS NOT WHO I HAD IN MIND.

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NOTHING YOU
HAVE HERE, NOTHING
YOU DO, CAN HOLD
ME THIS TIME.

FOR
MILLENNIA,
YOU'VE BEEN
LURKING IN THE
SHADOWS...

...TORTURING
THOSE POOR
SOULS WHOSE
SLUMBERS LEAD
THEM HERE...

...FEASTING
UPON THEIR
TERROR.

NO
MORE.

YOU'RE IN
MY REALM
NOW.

THUD!