

SOMETIMES, PEOPLE ASK ME, "HAWKEYE, HOW DO YOU DO WHAT YOU DO?"

"ARE YOU JUST LUCKY, OR WHAT?"



HRRH. I... STILL DON'T FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS, VA NEE GAST.

WHAT MAKES THESE AVENGERS FIGHT LIKE THAT? AGAINST GODS AND GOD KILLERS?

**THE FAR SHORE.**  
CHALLENGER'S PRISON AT THE EDGE OF EVERYTHING. NOT LONG AGO.

THEY'RE JUST... MORTAL.

WHAT DRIVES THEM ON? WHAT COULD POSSIBLY--



ACTUALLY, THERE'S A PRETTY SIMPLE SECRET.

SEE, IN THIS WORLD, ONE MINUTE EVERYTHING'S OKAY-- OR NOT OKAY, BUT PREDICTABLE.



HRRRH!

NNHH--

BUT IT NEVER LASTS.

WHAT WAS THAT? THAT... BURST OF AGONY...

I FELT IT TOO, CHALLENGER. LIKE SOMETHING TEARING THE SKIN OF THE UNIVERSE...





HERE.

MOUNT  
OLYMPUS.

IMMORTALS  
AT PLAY...

A NOSTALGIC  
SIGHT, BUT--

SHH.

WATCH.

YOUR LUCK  
RUNS OUT.

KROOM

GODS OF  
OLYMPUS.

DO YOU  
REMEMBER  
MY NAME?

AND THERE'S  
NEVER  
ANY WARNING.



AND SUDDENLY,  
IT'S ALL ON YOU.

IT  
CANNOT  
BE...



I DO  
YOUR  
BIDDING,  
FATHER--

AS I,  
HYPNOS, MUST  
DO MY MOTHER'S  
BIDDING.



HERMES!  
RUN, BOY! FIND  
HERCULES--TELL  
HIM THE QUEEN  
OF NIGHT IS  
RETURNED!



GO TO  
SLEEP, MY  
FRIEND.

IT'LL  
GO EASIER  
THAT WAY.



TO FIGHT  
GODS AND  
GOD KILLERS.

TO FIGHT A WHOLE  
WORLD THAT WANTS  
TO CRUSH YOU AND  
CRUSH YOUR FRIENDS.





YOU LOCKED ME AWAY, LORD ZEUS.

SENT ME TO ROT UNTIL THE SUN WAS PARTED FROM THE EARTH.

NO--TOO FAST--

BUT THEN THE SUN WAS TORN FROM THE SKY. I AM FREE-- FREE TO SEE WHAT YOU'VE ALL BEEN DOING.

AND WHAT DO I FIND?

FATHER! FATHER, HELP US!



YOUR ONLY EPICS ARE PAST GLORIES. YOUR ONCE-GREAT POETRY IS NOW MERE BANTER.

YOU ARE UNWORSHIPPED... UNCARING...

MURDERERS! I'LL DESTROY YOU FOR--



--HURRKK--

...TOO WEAK TO RESIST THE TRUE DEATH.



AND YOU'VE ONLY GOT WHAT'S IN YOUR HANDS.

NO!

YOU--YOU WILL DIE FOR THIS! YOU!

FOUL DEMON OF THE DARK--

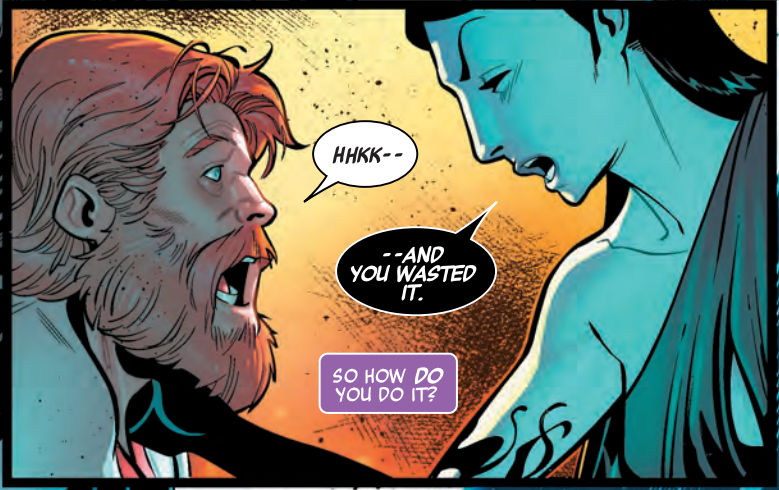


A BOW AND ARROW AGAINST THE LIGHTNING.

DEMON?

I GAVE YOU ALL I HAD. I GAVE YOU THE UNKNOWN AND THE UNKNOWNABLE.

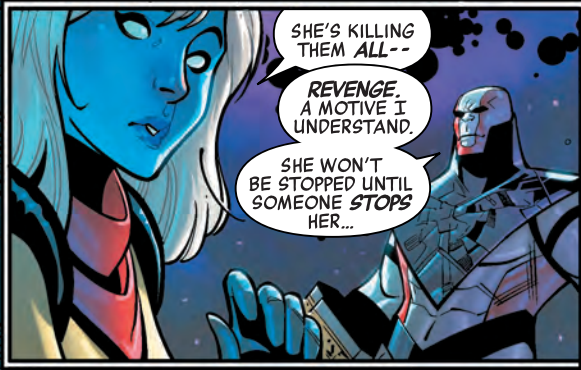
I GAVE YOU THE NIGHT--



HKKK--

--AND YOU WASTED IT.

SO HOW DO YOU DO IT?



SHE'S KILLING THEM ALL--

REVENGE. A MOTIVE I UNDERSTAND.

SHE WON'T BE STOPPED UNTIL SOMEONE STOPS HER...



I--I CAN'T LEAVE. I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY.

SOMEONE HAS TO GUARD YOU--

HRRRH. BUT CAN YOU STAY, YA NEE GAST?

WHEN DID THE EARTH PART FROM THE SUN?

WAS IT WHEN WE MOVED IT? FOR OUR GAME?



DESPAIR

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"DID YOU FREE HER?"

OH...OH, THIS GRIEF... MY HEART...

HUSH. YOU ARE TOUCHED BY OIZYS NOW--MY MOST FAVORED OFFSPRING.

OIZYS IS MISERY.