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The immense power of the Infinity Stones was used to fold the universe in half, creating a world of incredible new heroes and villains—living unaware of their unusual origin! When the universe was unfolded, the warped world was preserved within the Soul Stone, but its greatest figures learned the truth of their existence—and what they will do with that knowledge...will become their next great adventure!

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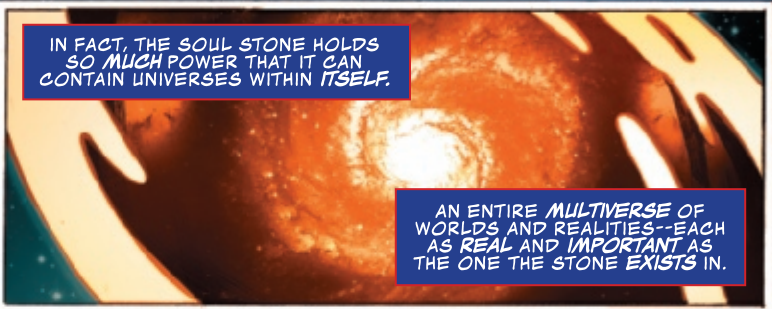
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THIS IS
THE *SOUL*
STONE.



ONE OF SIX
INFINITY STONES--
GEMS THAT CONFER
VAST POWER IN A
UNIVERSE THAT
EXISTS ABOVE
OUR OWN.

IN FACT, THE *SOUL* STONE HOLDS
SO MUCH POWER THAT IT CAN
CONTAIN UNIVERSES WITHIN ITSELF.



AN ENTIRE *MULTIVERSE* OF
WORLDS AND REALITIES--EACH
AS REAL AND IMPORTANT AS
THE ONE THE STONE EXISTS IN.



DOES THAT
BREAK YOUR
BRAIN A LITTLE?

KNOWING THE
EARTH YOU STAND
ON COULD BE A
MERE *ATOM* IN
SOME *COSMIC*
TRINKET, FAR
BEYOND YOUR
KENE?

GOOD. WHEN IT COMES
TO *MAGIC*, YOU *SHOULD*
BREAK YOUR BRAIN--IT
HEALS *STRONGER*.

TRUST
ME... I
KNOW.



I'M STEPHEN ROGERS,
A 4E ARMY REJECT WITH
EARLY ONSET ARTHRITIS
IN MY HANDS.

I WANTED TO FIGHT
HITLER-- BUT I COULDN'T
EVEN HOLD A GUN.

MORGAN ERSKINE
CHANGED ALL THAT.
SHE TURNED ME INTO
A CONDUIT FOR
MAGICAL ENERGIES--

--THE SOLDIER
SUPREME.

SINCE THEN,
I'VE BATTLED
NAZI DEMONS,
GIANT-HEADED
SATANISTS--EVEN
AN ENTIRE DARK
DIMENSION.

ONE I WAS
TRAPPED IN FOR
DECADES.

THE MODERN
WORLD SEEMS...
ODD TO ME, AFTER
SO LONG AWAY.

BUT NOT THE
ODDEST THING
TO GET USED TO.



SO WE
COMPROMISED.

INSIDE THE MULTIVERSE
OF THE SOUL STONE, OUR
WARP WORLD HAS A CHANCE
TO SURVIVE--AND GROW.

STEPHEN ROGERS--
YOU HAVE LONG EVADED
THE TOUCH OF DEATH!
BUT DEATH HAS COME
FOR YOU!

MADAME
HEL IS HERE!





SOON AFTER I ESCAPED THE DARK DIMENSION, I LEARNED THAT EVERYONE IN MY REALITY WAS A "WARP"--

--A MERGING OF TWO LIVING BEINGS FROM THE HIGHER REALITY OUTSIDE THE SOUL STONE.

BUT THOSE PARTS MAKE A GREATER WHOLE--A WHOLE LIFE THAT NONE OF US WANTED TO GIVE UP.

WHA...?



FOR AS LONG AS WE CAN DEFEND IT...



V FOR VISHANTI!

ONCE AGAIN, THE SHIELD OF THE SERAPHIM SAVES MY LIFE.

MADAME HEL--I KNOW THAT NAME FROM SOMEWHERE. BUT WHERE?



WAIT...SURELY NOT...

...FROM THE PARTY...?



HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE! WELCOME TO TWO BAXTERS PLAZA--AND THE PARTY TO END THEM ALL!

IF I CAN BE TRANSPARENT WITH YOU--I DON'T THINK IT'S A STRETCH TO SAY WE ALL NEED A NIGHT OFF!

SO LET'S LET OFF SOME STEAM! I'LL BE IN THE SAUNA--BEIN' THE SAUNA!

IT'S CELEBRATIN' TIME!

AND THE TERRIFIC TWO CERTAINLY PUT THE "CELEBRITY" IN "CELEBRATE." I'M EXHAUSTED JUST WATCHING THEM.

AYE, STEPHEN. 'TIS TRUE--THE HEROES OF THIS WORLD DID SORELY NEED REST AND RECREATION...

...BUT I AM NOT USED TO--WHAT IS THE ENGLISH?--"GETTING MY GROOVE ON."

FOR HOW CAN I "PARTY ROCK," AS THEY SAY IN AMERICA, WHEN THE SORROW I BEAR IS AS DARK AS THE LONG WINTER NIGHTS OF MY HOMELAND?

WHEN MY OWN BROTHER, STANE ODINSON, HATES ME FOR THE WRONGS I DID HIM IN MY CRUEL FORMER LIFE?

HMM.

SOMETHING AMUSES YOU, STEPHEN...?

AN IRONY.

ACCORDING TO THE EYE OF AGAMOSHTUR, YOU WERE MERGED TOGETHER FROM TWO GREAT PARTY ANIMALS.

AND? WHAT OF IT?

I WOULD RATHER BE MYSELF-- FOR ALL THE GLOOM IN MY SOUL--THAN BE TWO STRANGERS WITH LIGHT HEARTS!

CLOSE YOUR INFERNAL EYE, ROGERS! LET GO OF THE MEN WE MIGHT HAVE BEEN!

THEY HAVE THEIR OWN LIVES--AND WE HAVE OURS!

I'M SORRY, SIGURD.

YOU'RE A GOOD FRIEND...

...AND YOU'RE RIGHT.

THAT HIGHER UNIVERSE...IT'S HARD NOT TO THINK ABOUT SOMETIMES.

BUT... THIS IS WHO I AM. THESE ARE OUR LIVES.