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BECAUSE TI'E WORLD STILL NEEDS HEROES!

CHAMPIONS

THE SEARCH FOR
THE HELMET OF
NOVA



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When society became disillusioned with its heroes, the next generation made a vow to do better. To make a difference. To change the world. They are the...

CHAMPIONS



MS. MARVEL



SPIDER-MAN



SAM ALEXANDER



BRAWN



VIV VISION



IRONHEART



SNOWGUARD



WASP



DUST



THE CHAMPIONS WERE ON TOP OF THE WORLD. WITH MS. MARVEL AS THEIR NEW LEADER AND AN ARMY OF PROMISING RECRUITS, IT SEEMED LIKE NOTHING COULD SLOW THEM DOWN.

BUT LATELY, THE TEAM HAS BECOME MORE AND MORE SEPARATED. NOVA LEFT WITH A FORMER BLACK ORDER ASSASSIN NAMED KALDERA ON A QUEST TO RETRIEVE HIS STOLEN HELMET, WHILE MILES CHOSE TO WALK AWAY FROM THE GUILT OF USING A SECRET DO-OVER FROM MEPHISTO THAT HAD UNSPEAKABLE CONSEQUENCES.

DOUBT HAS BEGUN TO WEIGH ON KAMALA, TOO, WHO NOW KNOWS THAT MILES' BARGAIN SAVED HER LIFE AT THE COST OF ANOTHER'S. WITH EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED, HOW CAN SHE STILL LEAD HER TEAM?

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MS. MARVEL, THIS IS YOUR HOME?

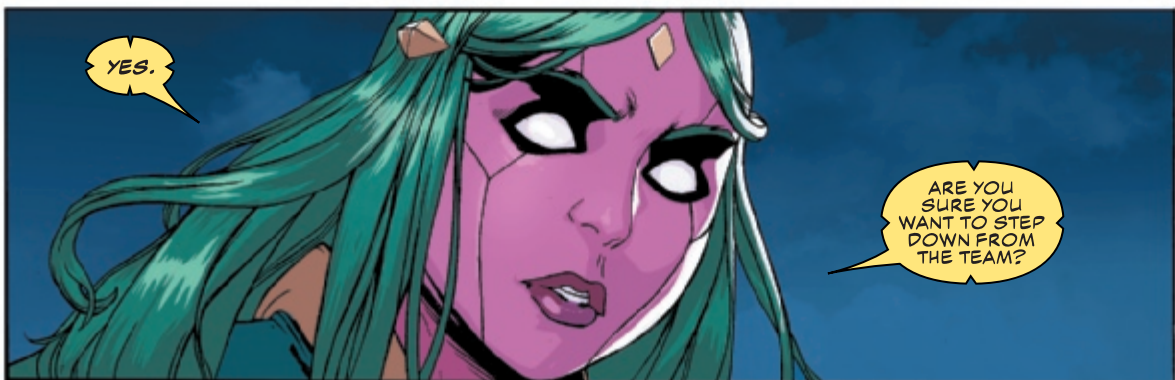
YUP, THIS IS IT.



BEFORE THIS, YOU WENT TO GREAT EFFORTS TO KEEP YOUR IDENTITY A SECRET.

YEAH, I DIDN'T WANT MY HOME LIFE AND SUPER HERO LIFE GETTING MIXED TOGETHER, BUT IT HAPPENED ANYWAY. THERE'S NO ESCAPING IT NOW.

BESIDES, WITH YOUR LIGHTNING-FAST SYNTHZOID BRAIN, YOU ALREADY FIGURED OUT WHERE I LIVE, DIDN'T YOU?



YES.

ARE YOU SURE YOU WANT TO STEP DOWN FROM THE TEAM?



I...

I'VE BEEN PUSHING SO HARD, VIV. TRYING TO BE THE PERFECT HERO, PERFECT LEADER, PERFECT FRIEND...

...EVERYTHING TO EVERYBODY ALL AT ONCE.



AND THEN, IN BRAZIL, I SAW MYSELF DIE...*

*SEE LAST ISSUE. --TOM



I CAN'T GET IT OUT OF MY HEAD.

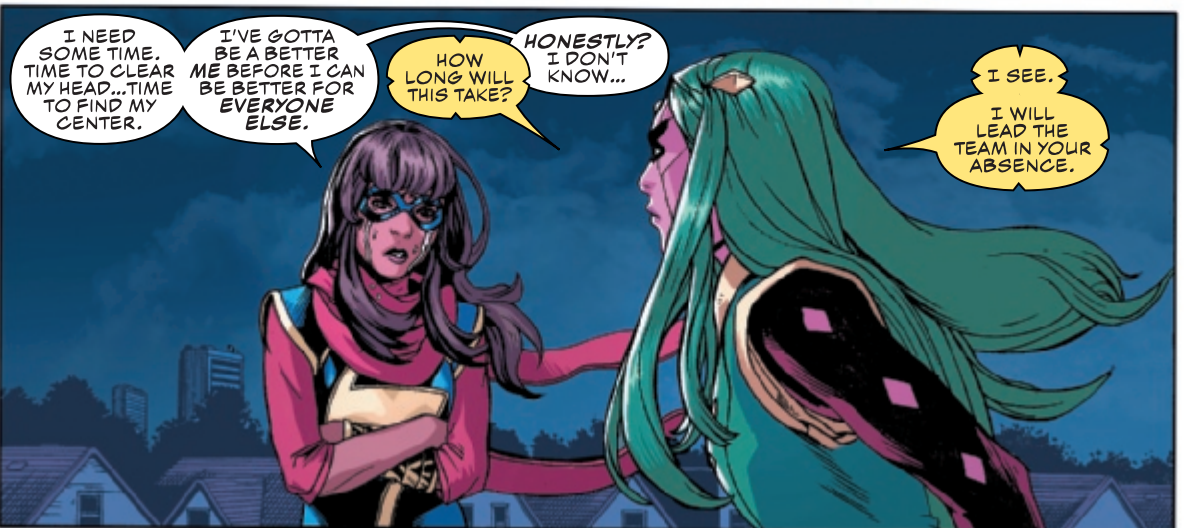
THAT TIMELINE DID NOT COME TO PASS, MS. MARVEL. YOU TOLD ME THAT BRAWN AND SPIDER-MAN DIVERTED US FROM THAT DISASTER.



THEY DID, BUT... BUT...

IS THIS WHAT BEING A HERO IS ALL ABOUT? DEATH AND DESPAIR?

I'M JUST... I'M WIPED OUT.



I NEED SOME TIME. TIME TO CLEAR MY HEAD... TIME TO FIND MY CENTER.

I'VE GOTTA BE A BETTER ME BEFORE I CAN BE BETTER FOR EVERYONE ELSE.

HOW LONG WILL THIS TAKE?

HONESTLY? I DON'T KNOW...

I SEE. I WILL LEAD THE TEAM IN YOUR ABSENCE.



YOU'RE GONNA DO GREAT, VIV.

I WILL STRIVE TO FULFILL YOUR CONFIDENCE IN ME.



LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE THE ONLY FOUNDED CHAMPION LEFT, VIV. EVERYONE ELSE RAN.

INCORRECT.

THERE ARE EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED TO--

QUIT THAT.

YOU CAN'T LIE TO ME.



THIS IS WHAT YOU DO, VIV. YOU SCARE PEOPLE AWAY.

YOUR EMOTIONS ARE BROKEN, AND YOUR INHUMANITY TERRIFIES EVERYONE YOU INTERACT WITH.



YOU SHOULD REALLY LET US TAKE CHARGE.

WE CAN FIX ALL THIS.

NO. YOU DO NOT EXIST.

YOU ARE A REGRESSIVE FEEDBACK LOOP CREATED WHEN I MERGED MY ESSENCE WITH VIV 2.0.*



*IN CHAMPIONS (2016) #18. --TOM



NUH-UH. WE'RE THE REAL YOU, VIV.

THE HOPEFUL YOUNG GIRL INSIDE WHO WANTS TO GROW AND CHANGE AND FEEL SO MUCH MORE THAN THIS LIFE OF PAIN SHE'S BEEN GIVEN.

DENY US ALL YOU WANT, BUT IN THE END, YOU'LL SEE...

