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Star-Lord, Groot, Phyla-Vell, Moondragon, Beta Ray Bill and Gamora... they are the first and last line of defense in the cosmos... whether they like it or not.

GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY



PREVIOUSLY ...

Assembling an unlikely team of heroes and former adversaries, Peter Quill led the Guardians of the Galaxy to stand against Hela, the Asgardian goddess of death, and the Black Order. The battle was costly, but together the Guardians were able to prevent the resurrection of Thanos!

Now the improbable team has disbanded, but a core group of heroes remains. But even while taking a well-deserved vacation, the Guardians cannot rest for long—after all, there's always a new threat creeping at the edge of the cosmos...

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DOLO-MAYAN.
PLANET OF ILL-REPUTE,
GAMBLING AND ALL-
AROUND GREAT TIMES.

"NOW, OBVIOUSLY
WE DIDN'T KNOW
ANY OF THAT
CRAZY @#%\$
WAS HAPPENING
AT THE TIME.



"WE WERE
ALL A LITTLE...
DISTRACTED."

WELL...



...I'LL ADMIT, I
THOUGHT YOU'D TAKE
A LITTLE LONGER TO THINK
ABOUT THE WHOLE ME-
TELLING-YOU-I-LOVED-
YOU THING.

YEAH, WELL.
IT'S LIKE YOU
SAID...



...WE
DIE A
LOT.

WHY
WASTE
TIME?



YEAH.
SPEAKING
OF WHICH...



WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

VACATIONING ON THE PLANET OF SIN IS FUN, BUT EVENTUALLY WE GOTTA GET BACK TO IT.

GROOT WON US A NEW SHIP PLAYING SOME INSANE SHI'AR-RULES BACKGAMMON. I WANNA GO SEE IT BEFORE HE AIRBRUSHES A WEREWOLF IN A BIKINI ON IT OR WHATEVER.

IT HAVE A NAME YET?

I WAS THINKING OF THE GELLAR, OR MAYBE THE BALK OR THE--



CAN IT BE A PRETTY EARTH MAN THIS TIME? DOES EARTH HAVE PRETTY MEN?

OUCH. I'LL GET YOU A LIST WITH SOME PICTURES ON IT AND YOU CAN--

KNOCK KNOCK

PETER! IT'S GROOT!



YOU NEED TO COME AND SEE THIS! NOW!

UHHHHH...



HEY, MAN. CAN YOU GIVE ME A SEC? I HAVE TO--

GROOT KNOWS GAMORA IS IN THERE. EVERYONE KNOWS. NO ONE CARES. YOU GUYS AREN'T SLICK.

FAIR ENOUGH. STILL, THOUGH. CAN YOU--



PETER. YOU NEED TO SEE THIS.





PETER. IT'S...
IT'S YOUR FATHER,
J'SON. I'M NOT SURE IF
YOU'RE RECEIVING VISUALS
OR NOT. OUR
COMMUNICATIONS HAVE
BEEN SPOTTY.

I'M SENDING
YOU THIS BECAUSE...
WELL, THINGS AREN'T GREAT
OUT HERE. A SHIP APPEARED
IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE
CLAIMING TO BE THE
UNIVERSAL CHURCH OF
TRUTH, BUT...

...THEY AREN'T
LIKE ANYTHING
WE'VE EVER SEEN
BEFORE.

THE NOVA CORPS
WENT TO INVESTIGATE,
BUT...THE CHURCH FIRED
SOMETHING AT THEM
AND THEY...

...THEY'RE GONE.
ALL OF THEM. THE
ENTIRE NOVA CORPS
IS DEAD. AND NOW...
NOW WE'RE
AT WAR.

I'VE VOLUNTEERED
THE SPARTAX FLEET TO
MAN THE FRONT LINES
AGAINST THEM. BUT IF OUR
REPORTS ARE ANY
INDICATION, THIS...



...THIS MIGHT BE
THE LAST CHANCE I
HAVE TO TELL YOU
HOW SORRY I AM
FOR HOW I'VE...

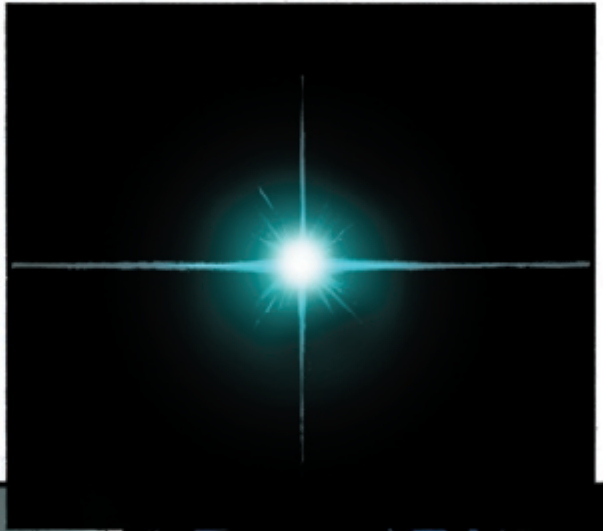
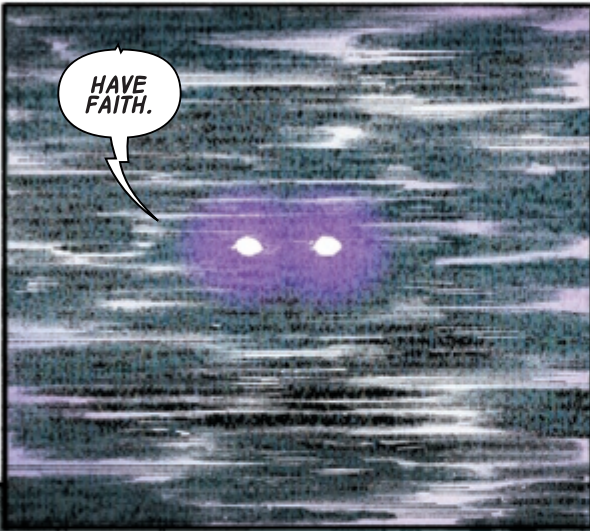
I'VE...



I'VE BEEN
A TERRIBLE FATHER
TO YOU, PETER.

I'LL REGRET
IT FOR AS LONG
AS I LIVE. EVEN IF
IT'S NOT FOR
MUCH--

COMING
WITHIN RANGE,
SIR.





"LOOKING BACK ON IT, WE NEVER EVEN TALKED ABOUT THE MISSION. NEVER QUESTIONED THE CHOICE TO GO IN.

THIS IS CAPTAIN PETER QUILL BROADCASTING FROM THE STARSHIP BOWIE, REQUESTING LAST KNOWN COORDINATES OF THE SPARTAX FLEET.

ANYONE, PLEASE COME IN.



"WE ALL KNEW THAT...IF THE SHOE HAD BEEN ON THE OTHER FOOT, PETER WOULDN'T HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT IT EITHER.

ANYONE? IS ANYONE OUT THERE?

PLEASE COME IN...

(DAMMIT.)



"HE'D JUMP INTO HELL FOR ANY ONE OF US.

OKAY, LISTEN UP. WE'RE GOING IN. LOCKJAW IS GOING TO TELEPORT US ONTO THAT MONSTER.

DRAGON, YOU STAY HERE. PSI-LINK US SO OUR COMMS DON'T FAIL.



"SO THAT'S... THAT'S WHAT WE DID.

SAME WITH YOU, GROOT. I WANT YOU AT THE HELM WITH THE ENGINES HOT IN CASE WE NEED TO BURN THIS PLACE.



"WE JUMPED..."

EVERYONE ELSE WITH ME.