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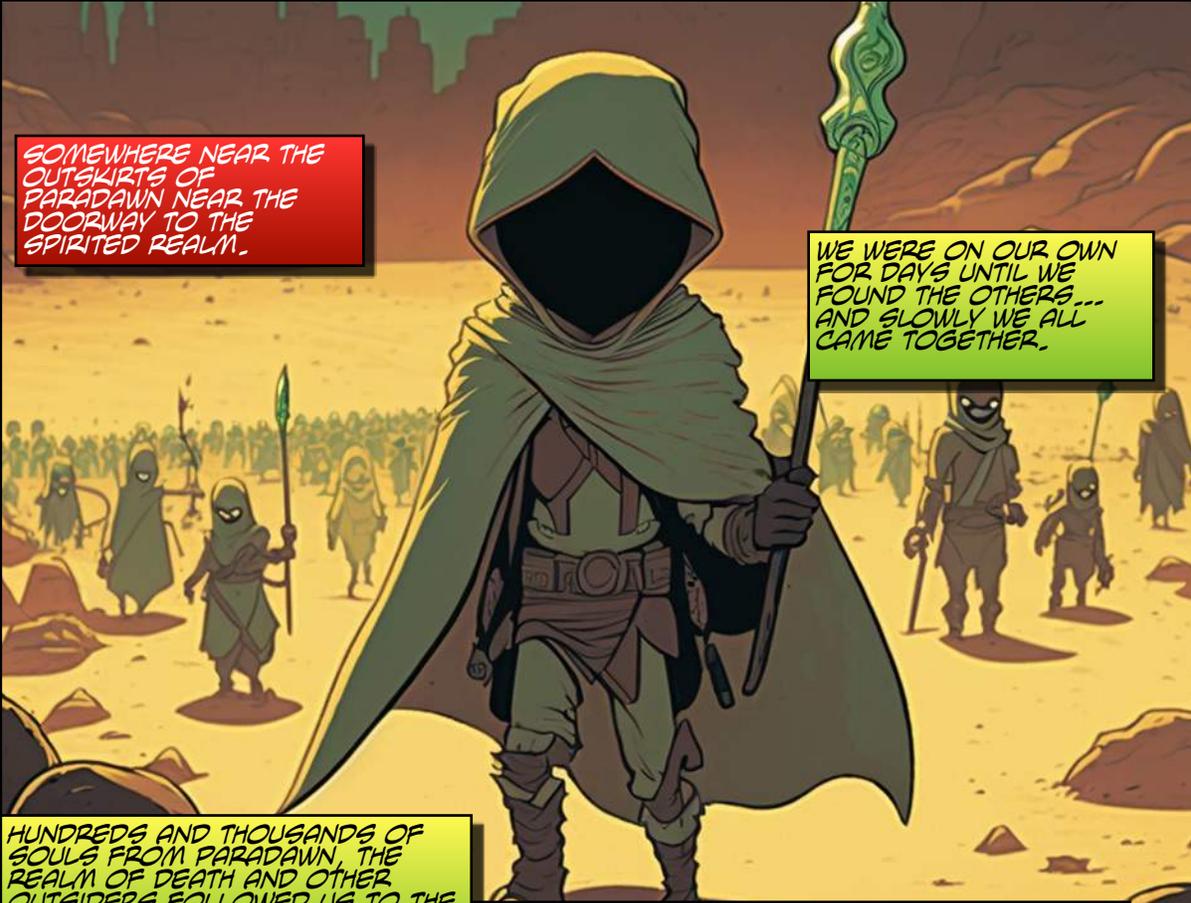
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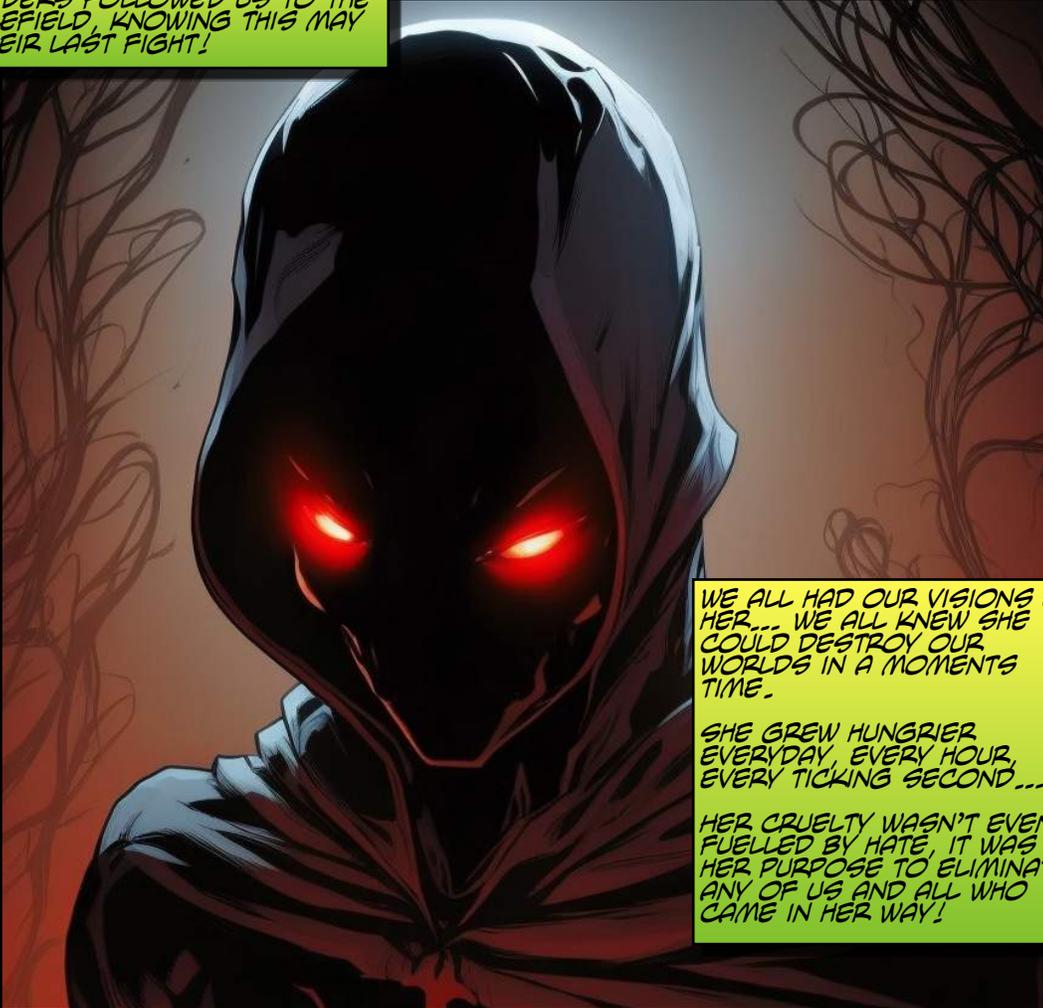
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SOMEWHERE NEAR THE
OUTSKIRTS OF
PARADAWN NEAR THE
DOORWAY TO THE
SPIRITED REALM.

WE WERE ON OUR OWN
FOR DAYS UNTIL WE
FOUND THE OTHERS...
AND SLOWLY WE ALL
CAME TOGETHER.

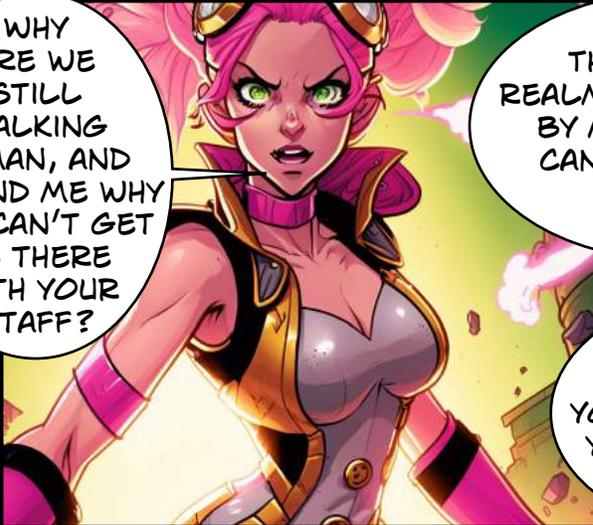
HUNDREDS AND THOUSANDS OF
SOULS FROM PARADAWN, THE
REALM OF DEATH AND OTHER
OUTSIDERS FOLLOWED US TO THE
BATTLEFIELD, KNOWING THIS MAY
BE THEIR LAST FIGHT!



WE ALL HAD OUR VISIONS OF
HER... WE ALL KNEW SHE
COULD DESTROY OUR
WORLDS IN A MOMENTS
TIME.

SHE GREW HUNGRIER
EVERYDAY, EVERY HOUR,
EVERY TICKING SECOND...

HER CRUELTY WASN'T EVEN
FUELLED BY HATE, IT WAS
HER PURPOSE TO ELIMINATE
ANY OF US AND ALL WHO
CAME IN HER WAY!



WHY ARE WE STILL WALKING TUMAN, AND REMIND ME WHY YOU CAN'T GET US THERE WITH YOUR STAFF?



THE SPIRITED REALM IS PROTECTED BY MY MAGIC... I CANNOT TAKE US THERE!

AND PLEASE SWITCH BACK TO YOUR GOBLIN FORM, YOUR SCARING THE LITTLE ONES.

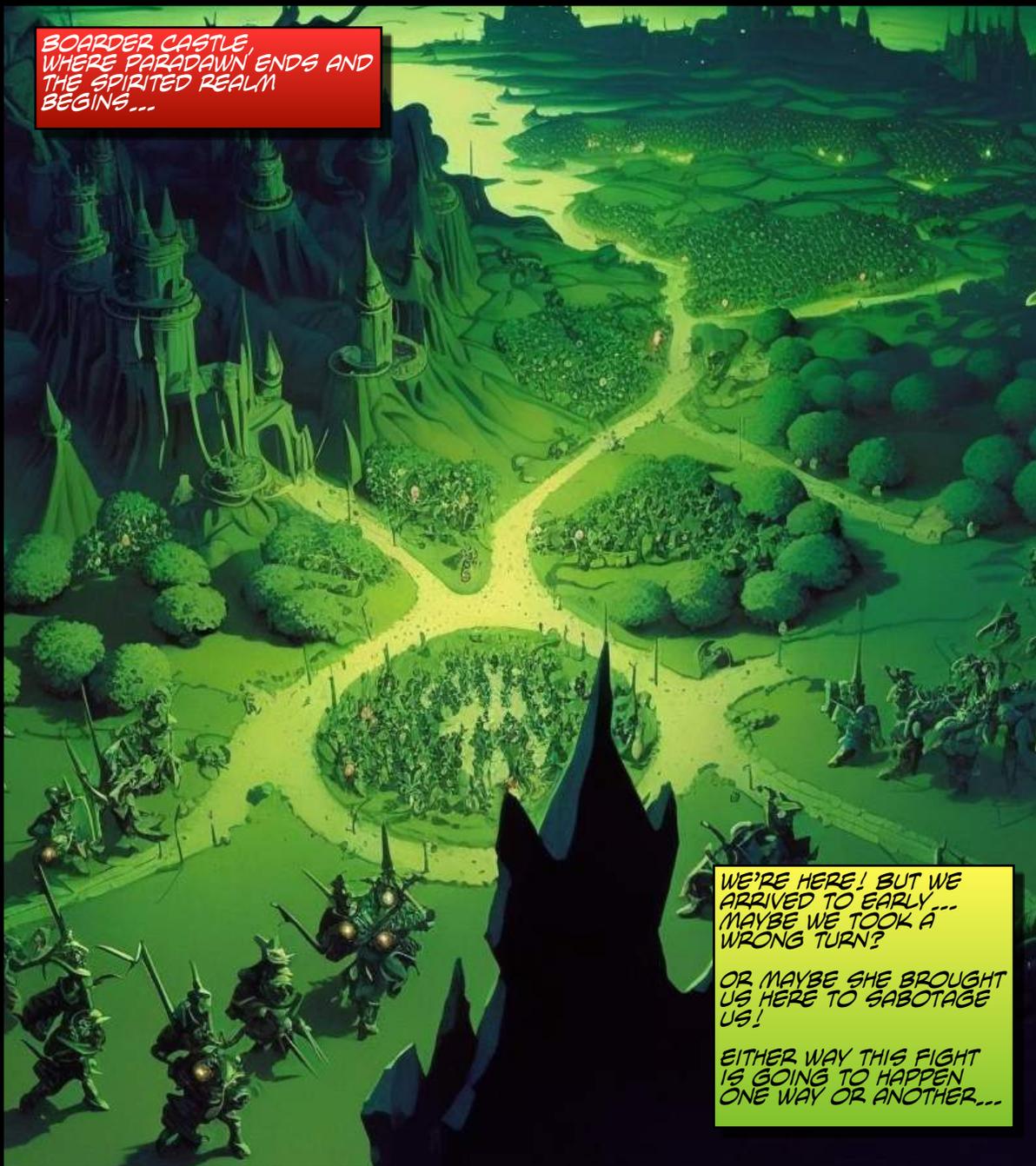


FINE, BUT I'M NOT CHANGING INTO THAT GIANT OGRE AGAIN, EVEN IF I DO MAKE THE KIDS LAUGH!



WAIT...WE'VE ARRIVED! BUT, SOMETHING ISN'T RIGHT...

BOARDER CASTLE
WHERE PARADAWN ENDS AND
THE SPIRITED REALM
BEGINS...



WE'RE HERE! BUT WE
ARRIVED TO EARLY...
MAYBE WE TOOK A
WRONG TURN?

OR MAYBE SHE BROUGHT
US HERE TO SABOTAGE
US!

EITHER WAY THIS FIGHT
IS GOING TO HAPPEN
ONE WAY OR ANOTHER...

BE AWARE
SOLDIERS!
SHE COULD BE HIDING
IN PLAIN SITE WAITING
TO ATTACK US.





THERE IS SOMETHING COMING FROM THE DISTANCE...A FORCE OF SOME SORT.



IT COMES FROM THE EAST AND I CAN SMELL ITS VENGEANCE COMING FOR US ALL!



WE MUST BE READY FOR HER!

GATHER MY FELLOW TROOPS
PREPARE FOR THE FIGHT!



WAIT...I HEAR SOMETHING...



THIS RUMBLING, IT REMINDS ME OF THE DAYS TO WHICH I WAS BEING HUNTED BY THE DARKER SPIRITS. I KNOW THIS SOUND! DANGER IS COMING...



IT SOUNDS LIKE FOOTSTEPS, BIG FOOTSTEPS.



SHE IS COMING. I SENSE HER. I KNOW THIS PRESENCE. IT IS FAMILIAR...



WELL SHE
DEFINITELY PICKED THE
WRONG PERSON TO PICK
A FIGHT WITH.
I WON'T STAND
DOWN!

BOOOOOM



THE SUN IS
SETTING, THIS MEANS
SHE IS CLOSER...

BOOOOOM



I WORRY SHE MAY
FEEL EAGER TO ATTACK
FROM WITHIN. SHE IS
KNOWN FOR HER
TRICKERY.

BOOOOOM



SHE HAS ARRIVED.
BUT... THAT IS NOT THE
DARK ENTITY...

BOOOOOOM



THE ANCIENT
ONE SUMMONS
HER WARRIOR
AND TRANSMITS
HER THOUGHTS
TELEPATHICALLY
TO THE OTHERS.

NO IT IS
NOT!
MEET MY CREATION
DEATH KNIGHT!!!
SHE WILL
OBLITERATE YOU
ALL!



I
KNOW YOUR
DEATH KNIGHT.
HER POWERS
WILL BE
TESTED
TODAY!

AND
I AM
COMING FOR
YOU MISTRESS
OF DARKNESS...
CONSIDER YOUR
WARRIOR
DEFEATED!

SHE WILL DESTROY YOU ALL! SHE HAS THE MIGHT AND STRENGTH OF A THOUSAND ARMIES AND HAS NEVER LOST A BATTLE. MEET YOUR DOOM!!!

YOU WILL ALL PERISH AND DIE!!



MY LORD, YOUR HUNGER AWAITS YOU AND I WILL DELIVER YOUR FIRST SACRIFICE! HOW SHALL I SERVE YOU MASTER?



KILL THEM ALL!!! EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM!





IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO MEET YOUR MATCH DEATH KNIGHT!



SEE ME FOR MY TRUE SELF. I AM CHARIOT!



GODDESS AND DESCENDENT OF ATHENA, AND YOU WILL NOW ANSWER TO ME!!!



HA HA GODDESS! MY POWERS ARE STRONGER THEN THE GODS! NOW **DIE!!!**



KILL HER...



MAKE THEM SUFFER!



BUT I DO NOT
FIGHT ALONE...
I FIGHT AMONGST
OTHER GODS!



I INTRODUCE TO YOU
MY DEAR FRIEND...
TUMAN! GOD OF THE
SUPERNATURAL AND
MAGIC, DESCENDENT
OF THE ELKING, BUT
WE KNOW HIM AS...



THE ELF WITCH!

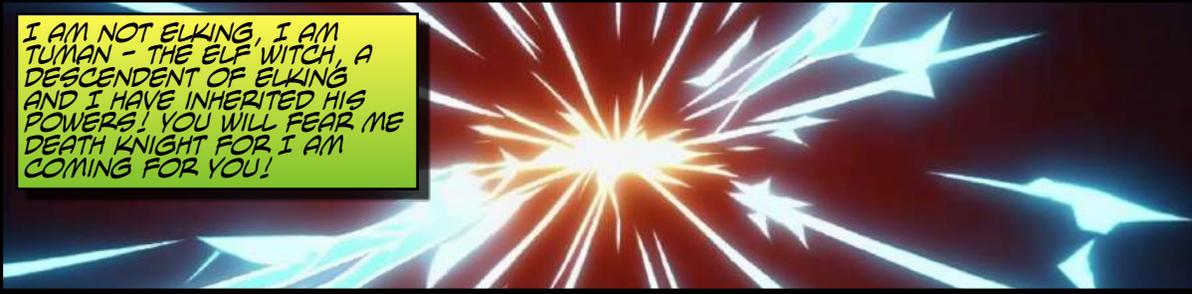


GOBLINS,
ELVES, WITCHES AND
WARRIORS
ATTACK!!!



NOOOO!!!
IT CANNOT BE...
THE ELF WITCH
KING,
HE IS DEAD!
HOW HAS HE
RETURNED?

I AM NOT ELKING, I AM TUMAN - THE ELF WITCH, A DESCENDENT OF ELKING AND I HAVE INHERITED HIS POWERS! YOU WILL FEAR ME DEATH KNIGHT FOR I AM COMING FOR YOU!



АНННН!



SWWWWEEEEE



I CAN'T...THEY ARE TOO POWERFUL...







AND I WILL
COME FOR
YOUR SOUL
CHARIOT.
HAHAHAHA!



JUST TRY ME!
I'VE DEALT WITH
DEMONS LIKE YOU
BEFORE,
AND THE ONLY WAY TO
CONQUER YOUR
DEMON IS TO TAME
IT AND CUT OFF
IT'S HEAD!



SHE IS
AFRAID
CHARIOT!
ATTACK NOW!



AFRAID?
HAHAHA YOU
WILL NEVER
DEFEAT ME.
HAHAHAHA!



WE WILL.
TOGETHER



YOU
WILL
ALWAYS BE
OUTNUMBERED
WHEN WE
UNITE!



YOU MAY HAVE
WON THIS BATTLE,
BUT YOU AND YOUR
FRIENDS WILL
CRUMBLE. IF YOU
WANT ME YOU'LL HAVE
TO COME FIND ME IN
THE SPIRITED
REALM.



THAT DOORWAY, WE HAVE AN OPENING INTO THE SPIRITED REALM THROUGH THERE. THERE IS AN ANCIENT RELIC THERE THAT CAN OPEN A DOORWAY TO THE OTHER REALMS FROM THIS SIDE OF THE DOORWAY, AND WE CAN TRAP THE DARK ENTITY THERE! WE HAVE TO MOVE NOW!



THERE IS A GATEWAY INSIDE THAT CAN TAKE US ALL TO THE SPIRITED REALM! BUT WE MUST HURRY BEFORE THE SUNSETS OTHERWISE WE CAN LOOSE OUR CHANCE TO GO!



CHARIOT, ANUBIS LET'S GO!



I HAVE DONE MY TIME HERE TUMAN. I MUST FIND OUT WHO THIS DARK ENTITY IS ON MY OWN. THERE IS SOMETHING VAGUELY FAMILIAR WITH HER. YOUR BATTLE IS NOW WITH YOU. SHOULD YOU NEED ME, I WILL FIND YOU WHEREVER YOU MAY BE. WE SHALL MEET AGAIN, AT THE NEXT SUNSET!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GUIDANCE ANUBIS. YOU ARE A GREAT WARRIOR AND YOUR ARMY WAS NECESSARY TO DEFEAT DEATH KNIGHT. WE OWE YOU A DEBT OF HONOUR FRIEND.



I'M SURE WE WILL MEET AGAIN MY NEW FRIENDS! GOODBYE FOR NOW.



TUMAN AND CHARIOT ENTER THE CAVE LEADING TO THE DOORWAY TO THE SPIRITED REALM.

I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU TUMAN, LET'S GO.

YES OF COURSE WE MUST HURRY.

SWOOOSH

WE'RE HERE!

THE SPIRITED REALM, THE LAST HAVEN OF HOPE. ALSO KNOWN AS THE REALM OF THE SPIRITED SOULS, A PLACE WHERE ETERNAL LIFE IS REAL! HOME TO THE GODS AND HOME TO CHARIOT, ATHENA AND ALL MAGICAL CREATURES, SPIRITS AND SOULS OF THE KNOWN UNIVERSE!

IF THERE WERE EVER A HEAVEN THIS WOULD BE IT!



I FEEL HER PRESENCE. SHE IS IN HIDING...WAITING TO REVEAL HERSELF.



YES I
SENSE HER
PRESENCE AS
WELL.



SHE IS
COMING FOR
US!
I FEAR SHE IS
NOT ALONE
AGAIN.

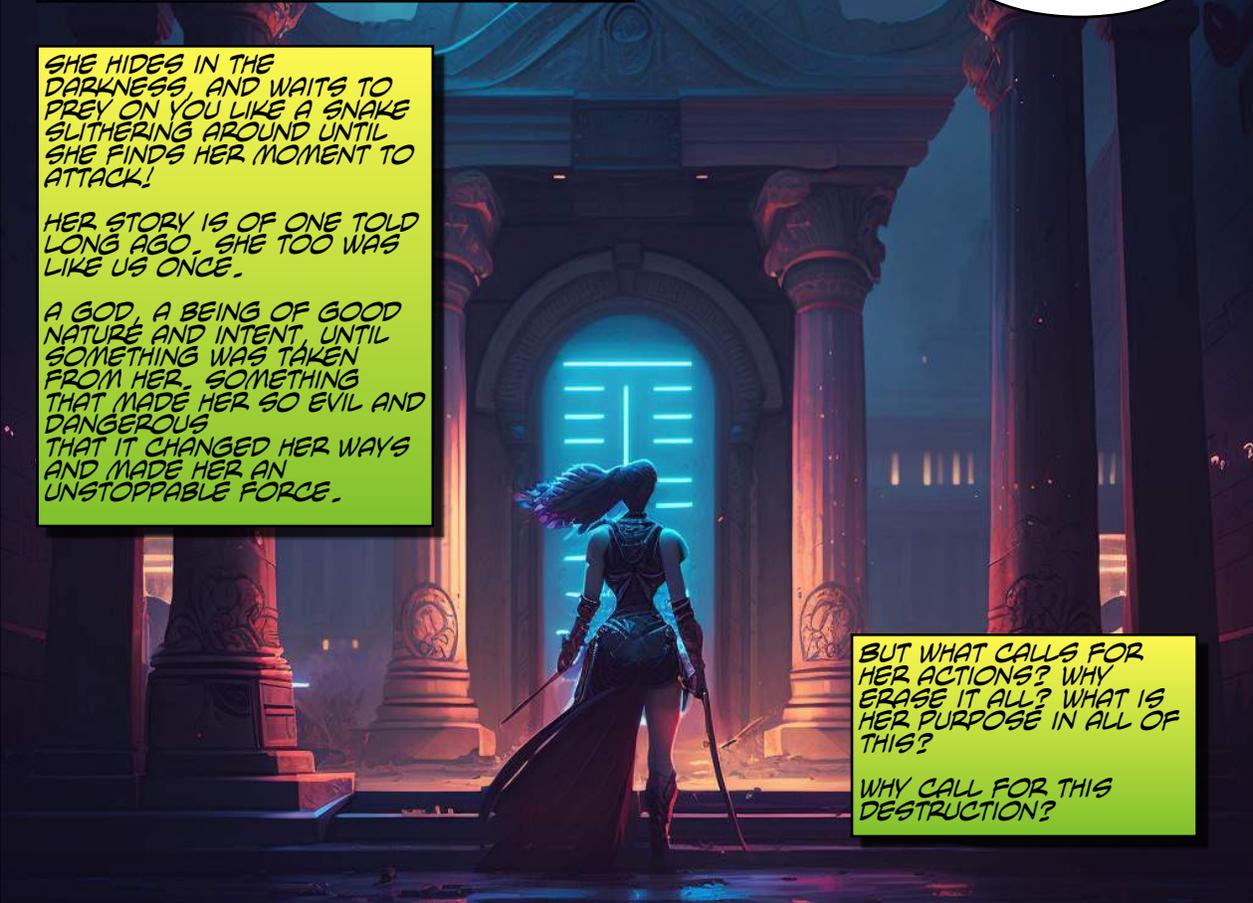


THE
DARK ENTITY IS
AMONG US!

SHE HIDES IN THE DARKNESS, AND WAITS TO PREY ON YOU LIKE A SNAKE SLITHERING AROUND UNTIL SHE FINDS HER MOMENT TO ATTACK!

HER STORY IS OF ONE TOLD LONG AGO. SHE TOO WAS LIKE US ONCE.

A GOD, A BEING OF GOOD NATURE AND INTENT UNTIL SOMETHING WAS TAKEN FROM HER, SOMETHING THAT MADE HER SO EVIL AND DANGEROUS THAT IT CHANGED HER WAYS AND MADE HER AN UNSTOPPABLE FORCE.



BUT WHAT CALLS FOR HER ACTIONS? WHY ERASE IT ALL? WHAT IS HER PURPOSE IN ALL OF THIS?

WHY CALL FOR THIS DESTRUCTION?



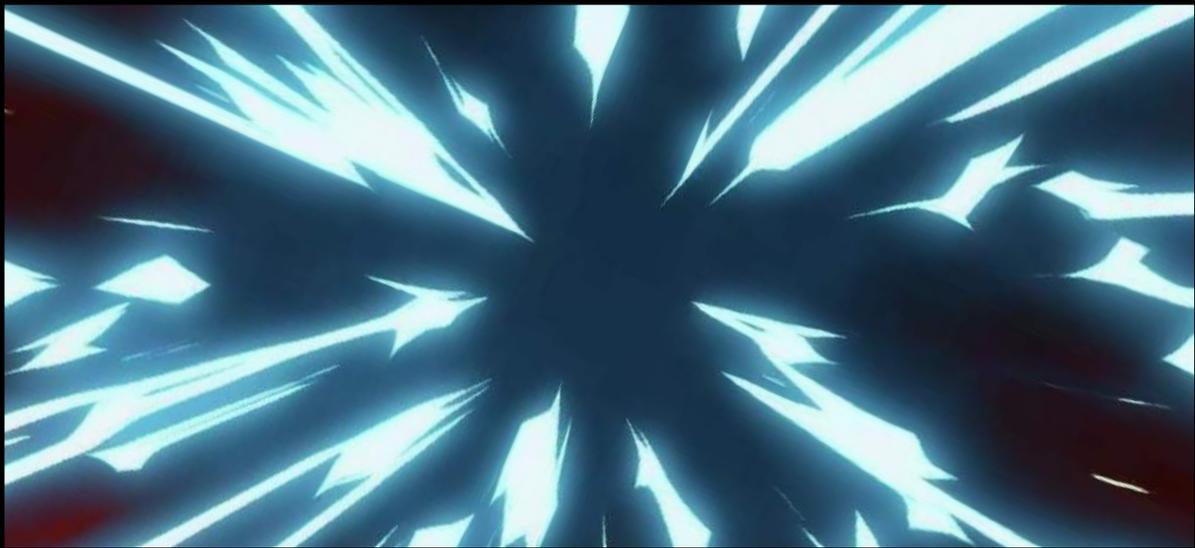
BECAUSE THEY TOOK EVERYTHING FROM ME? AND NOW I WILL TAKE YOUR SOUL!



YOU JUST TRY AND I WILL...



AHHHHHH!!!





CHARIOT IF YOU'RE IN THERE - FIGHT HER, YOU HAVE FIGHTED MUCH HARDER BEFORE AS SARAH! YOU CAN OVERCOME HER CONTROL.



CHARIOT IS GONE, SARAH IS GONE AND EVEN ATHENA IS GONE. ALL THAT EXISTS NOW IS ME.



YOU CAN ADDRESS
ME AS DARK
CHARIOT!



CHARIOT I KNOW,
YOUR STILL INSIDE OF
HER. REMEMBER...YOU
WERE ONCE A LOST SOUL,
I FOUND YOU AND BROUGHT
YOU TO PARADAWN.
YOU BECAME SOMETHING
NEW...SOMETHING
MORE...



WAIT...I, I
REMEMBER...



NOOOO!!!
GET AWAY



SHE FEARS YOU
SARAH! SHE FEARS
YOUR POWERS, AND
YOUR MIGHT! YOU
HAVE THE FIGHT IN
YOU TO CONTROL
HER!



SHE IS
MINE, TUMAN,
AND WE WILL
DESTROY
YOU!



YOU WILL NEVER DEFEAT ME.



I MIGHT NOT. BUT I CAN SILENCE YOU FOR NOW!

FEEL THE POWERS OF THE ELDERKING AND THE MAGIC OF MY PEOPLE!



DIE!!!



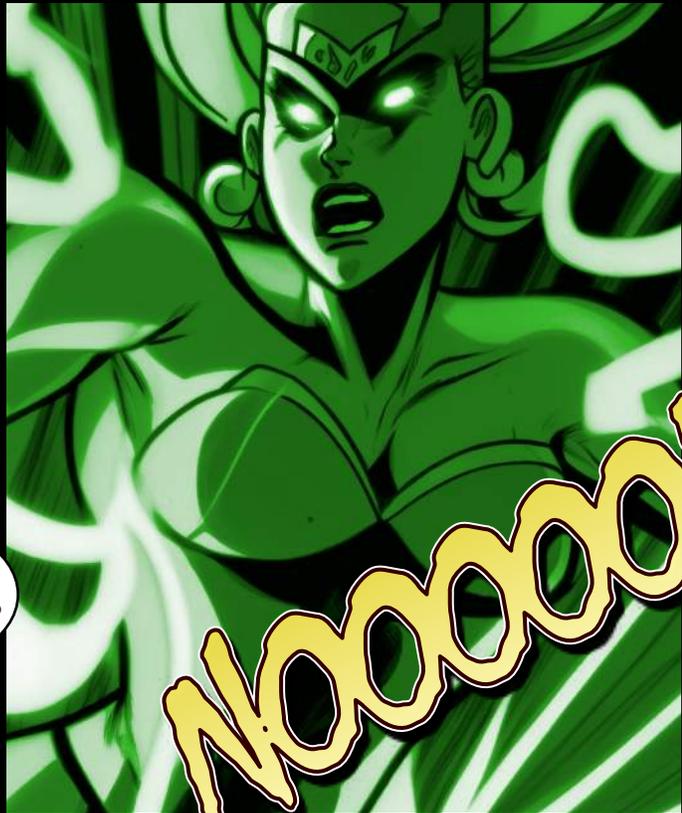
DEAD BY DAY,
ALIVE BY NIGHT,
CAST THIS DEMON OUT
OF SIGHT! TEMPERED
SOUL, BRIGHT INSIDE,
BRING YOUR SPIRIT
BACK TO LIGHT!



NOOOOOO!!!!
YOU CAN'T...



I CAN,
AND I WILL -
NOW LEAVE US
DEMON!



NOOOOOO!!!



IT'S DONE! SHE'S GONE FOR NOW.



WHAT... WHAT JUST HAPPENED?



WHERE ARE WE?



YOU WERE UNDER A SPELL AND COULD HAVE BEEN LOST FOREVER... BUT YOU WERE STRONGER THEN HER CHARIOT! YOUR MIND WAS MORE POWERFUL THAN HER HOLD ON YOU!



YES I COULD HEAR SARAH, AND ATHENA INSIDE OF ME FIGHTING HER OFF. WE...WE ARE MORE POWERFUL - TOGETHER.

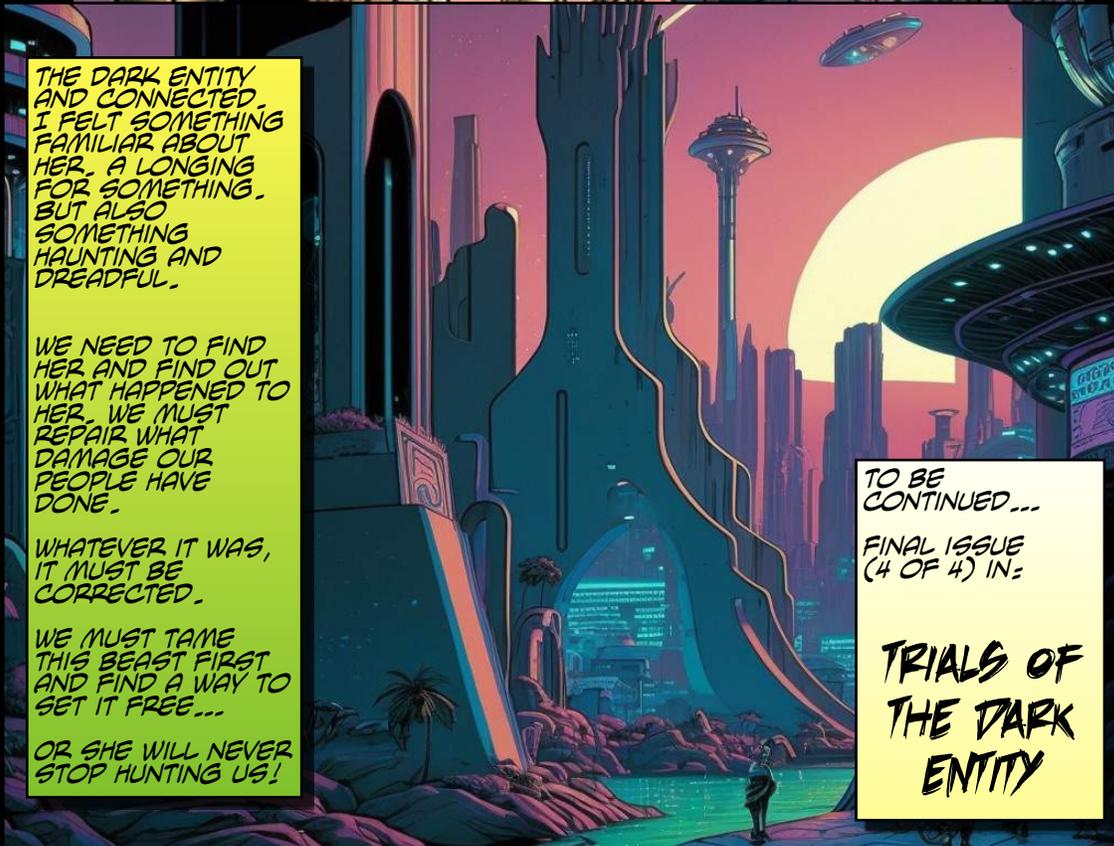


BUT SOMETHING INSIDE OF THIS DARK AND TAINTED SOUL AWAITS MORE DESTRUCTION.



I SAW SOMETHING IN HER WHEN SHE TOOK CONTROL OF ME. I SAW HER WEAKNESS.

OUR PEOPLE, THEY TOOK SOMETHING FROM HER LONG AGO. SOMETHING THAT MADE HER THIS WAY. SOMETHING UNFATHOMABLE. AND SHE WILL GO TO ALL LENGTHS TO DESTROY IT ALL IF WE DON'T CORRECT THIS.



THE DARK ENTITY AND CONNECTED. I FELT SOMETHING FAMILIAR ABOUT HER. A LONGING FOR SOMETHING. BUT ALSO SOMETHING HAUNTING AND DREADFUL.

WE NEED TO FIND HER AND FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO HER. WE MUST REPAIR WHAT DAMAGE OUR PEOPLE HAVE DONE.

WHATEVER IT WAS, IT MUST BE CORRECTED.

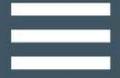
WE MUST TAME THIS BEAST FIRST AND FIND A WAY TO SET IT FREE...

OR SHE WILL NEVER STOP HUNTING US!

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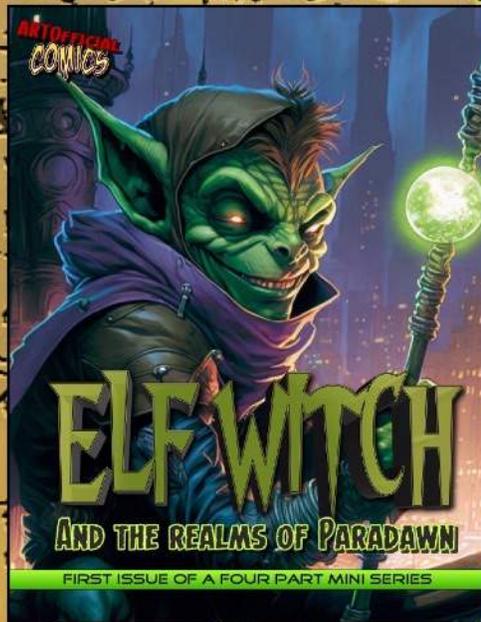
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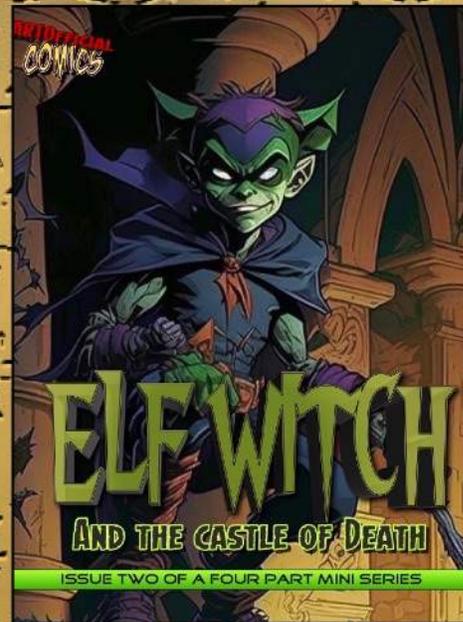


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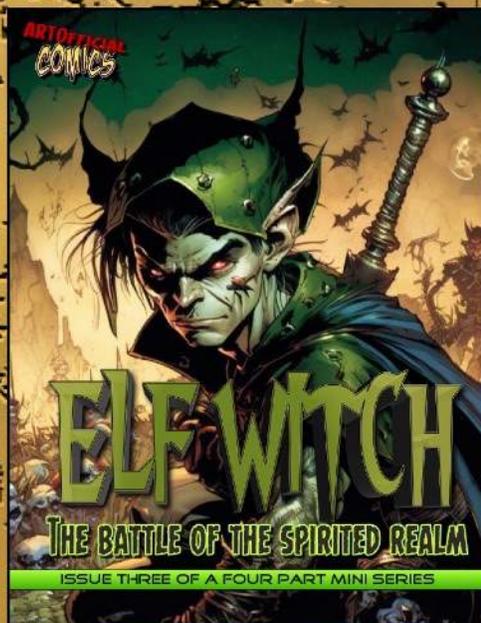
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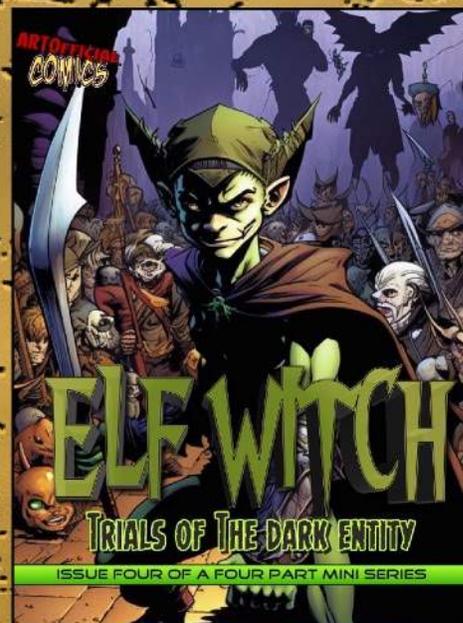
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