



# TENDER MERCY





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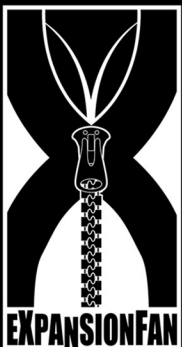
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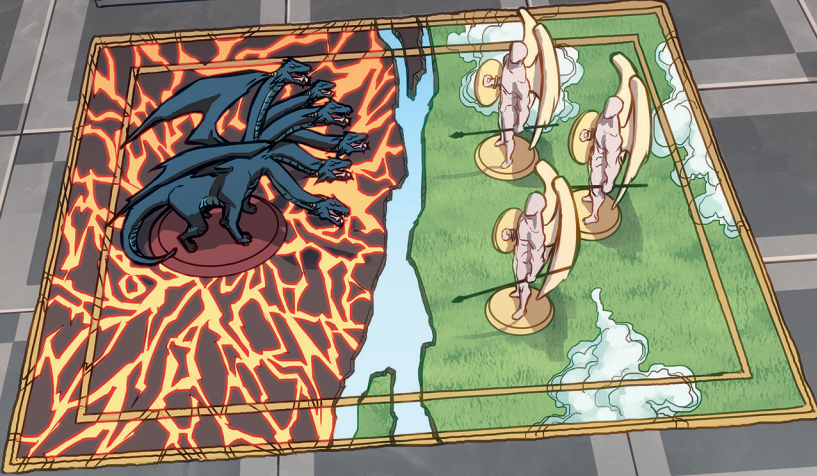
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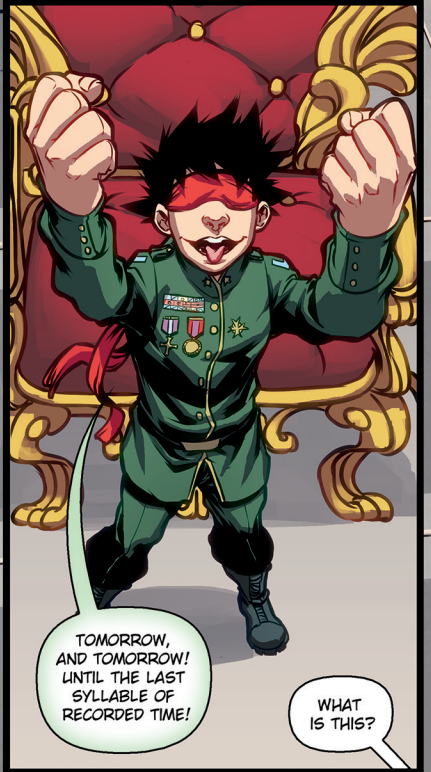
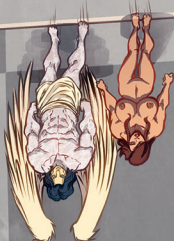
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MAKE READY  
THE SHIPS! TOWERING,  
WITH BLACK SAILS!



BLOW, WINDS!  
AND CRACK YOUR  
CHEEKS! RAGE! BLOW!  
YOU CATARACTS AND  
HURRICANES,  
SPOLIT!



TOMORROW,  
AND TOMORROW!  
UNTIL THE LAST  
SYLLABLE OF  
RECORDED TIME!

WHAT  
IS THIS?



MOST WOULD SEE AN OLD, BEARDED MAN. PERHAPS FROM AN OLD PAINTING. YOU SEE THE TRUTH. A BLIND, MAD CHILD, PITCHING ETERNAL WAR.



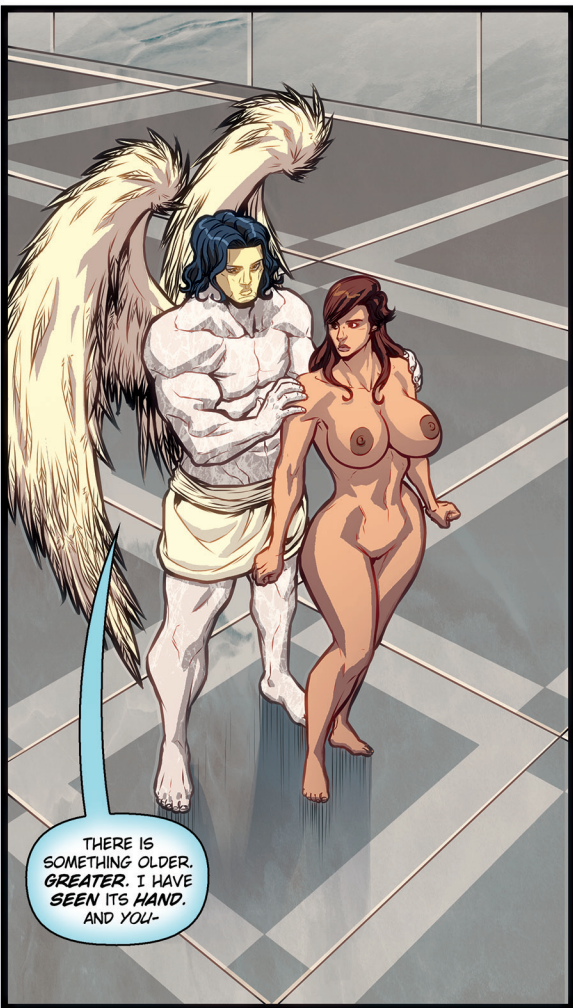
AMAZING GRACE, HOW SWEET THE SOUND!

IS THIS IT?

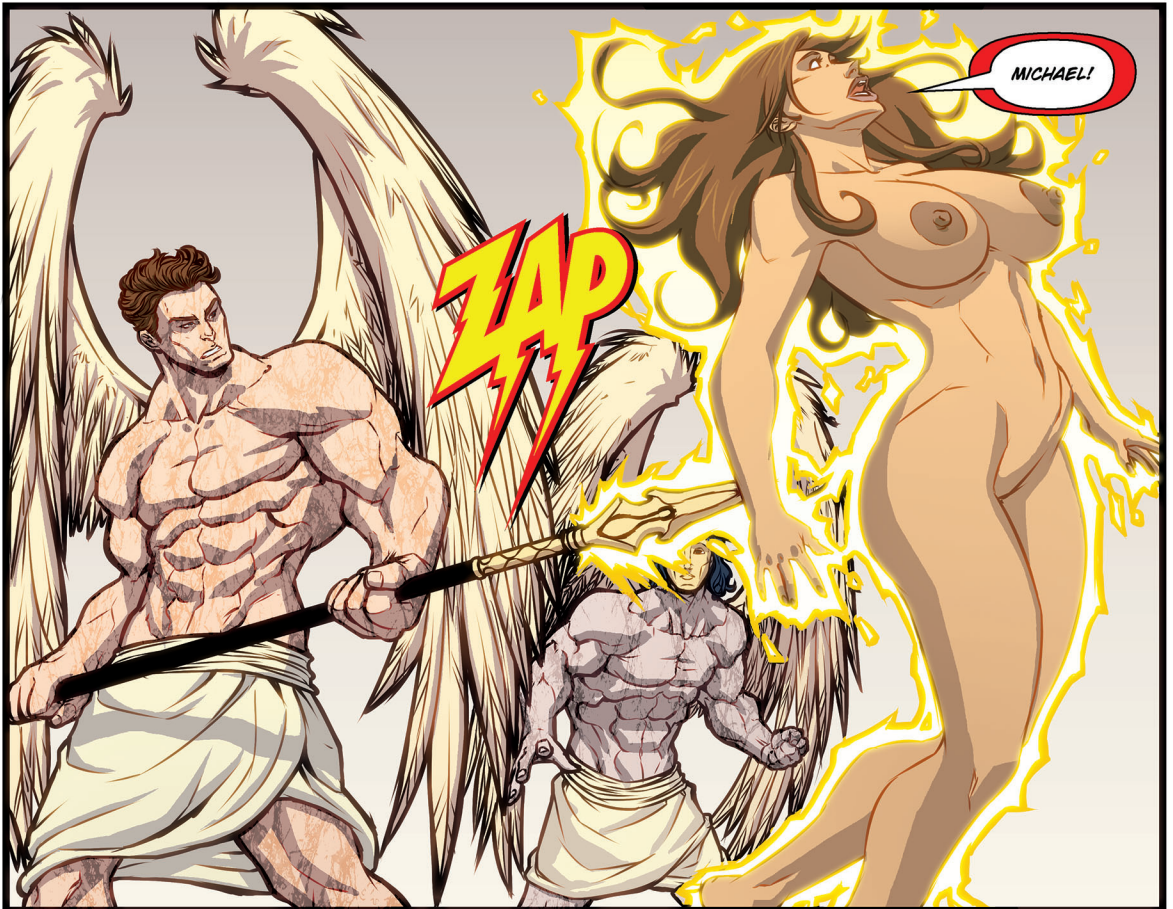
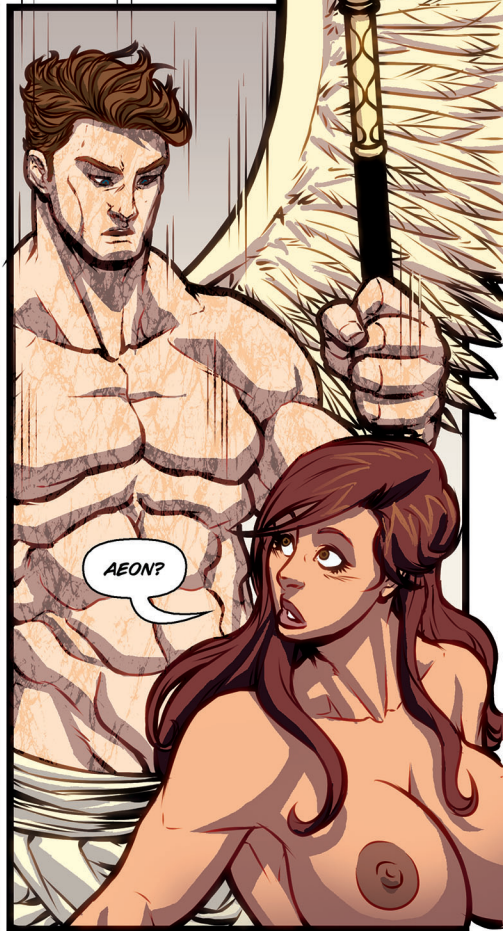
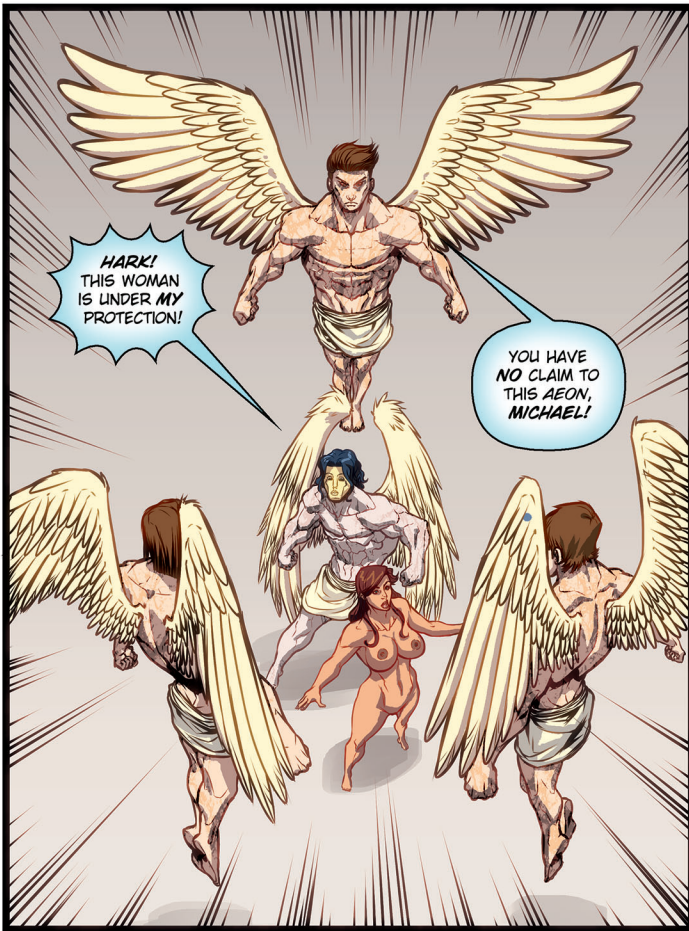


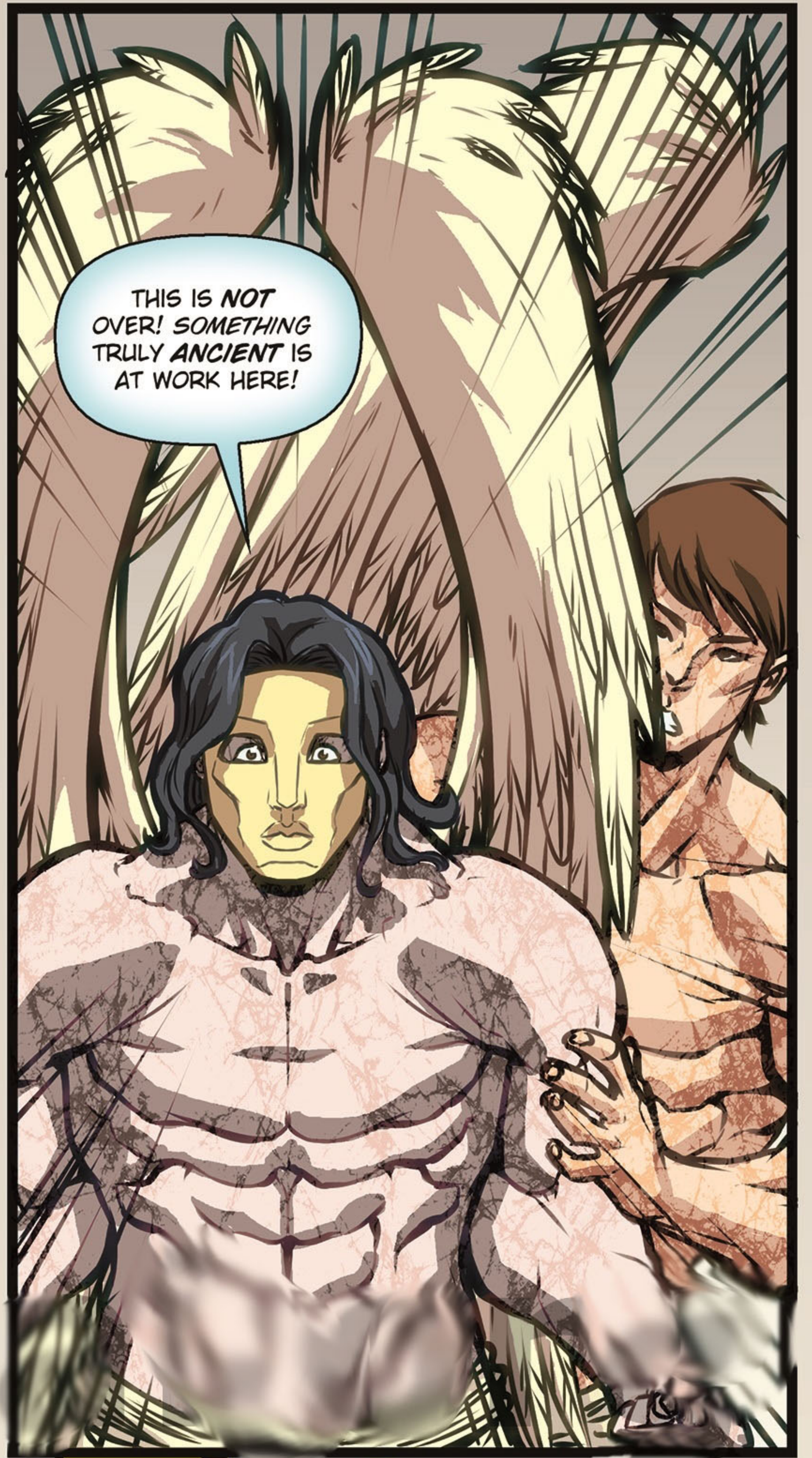
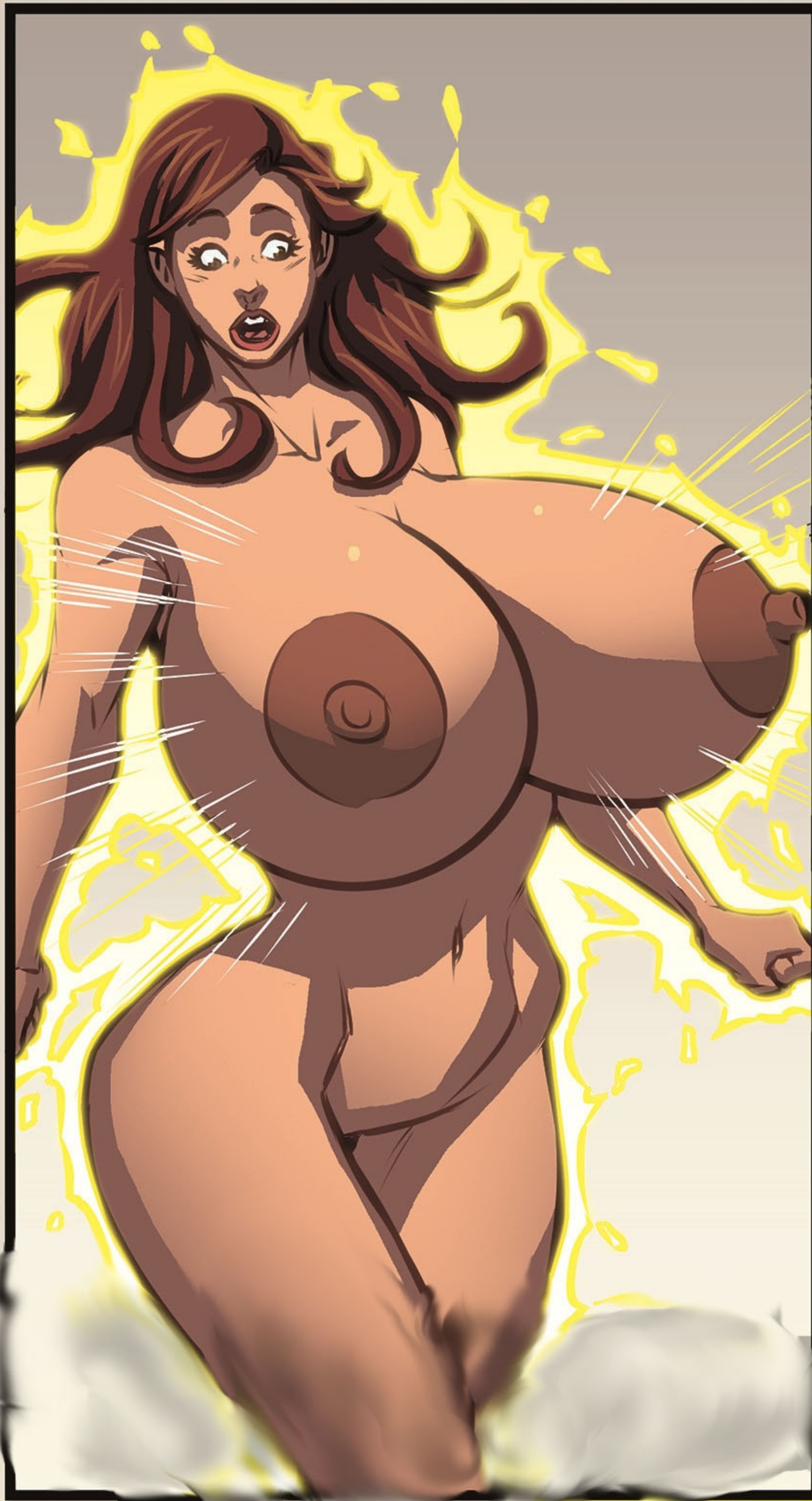
IS THIS IT? IS THIS ALL THE ORDER AND POWER IN THE UNIVERSE?

MERCY! LISTEN...



THERE IS SOMETHING OLDER. GREATER. I HAVE SEEN ITS HAND. AND YOU-







WORK THAT SHIT, SET!

SILENCE! THE RITUAL... REQUIRES... CONCENTRATION.

PLIP PUP PLIP PUP

CAN YOU SUCK MY TITS DURING THIS RITUAL? MY NIPPLES ARE IN TOTAL BONER MODE RIGHT N-

I SAID SILENCE!



...HUMZU RESILEK TZISCII HMARM FRESSU ZAPAT...

THE FUCK? IS THAT EVEN A LANGUAGE?



WHOA!  
HEY NOW,  
I-



IS THIS  
GOING TO,  
UH...

...KEEP  
GOING LIKE  
THIS?

**THE  
BEAST  
RISES!**



SHIT! MY BODY BETTER COME BACK FROM THIS, FUCKER!

**SQUIRT!**



WE DO IMPORTANT WORK, WOMAN!

IT FEELS LIKE I'M FULL OF WATER! I'M GONNA EXPLODE!

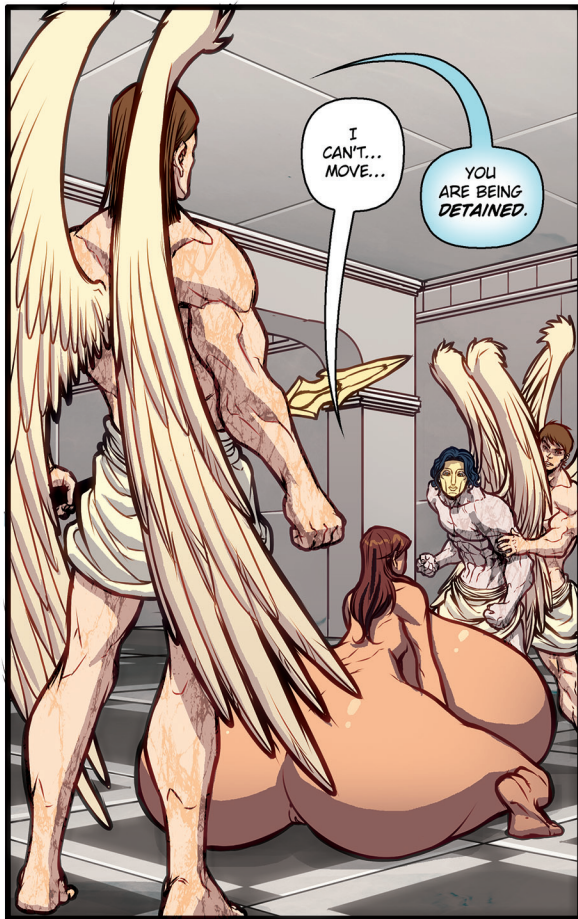


NONSENSE. YOU WERE MADE TO DO THIS.

I FEEL LIKE I'M GONNA BURST...

IT'S KINDA HOT... CAN WE-

NO TIME FOR PLEASURE, SUCCUBUS!



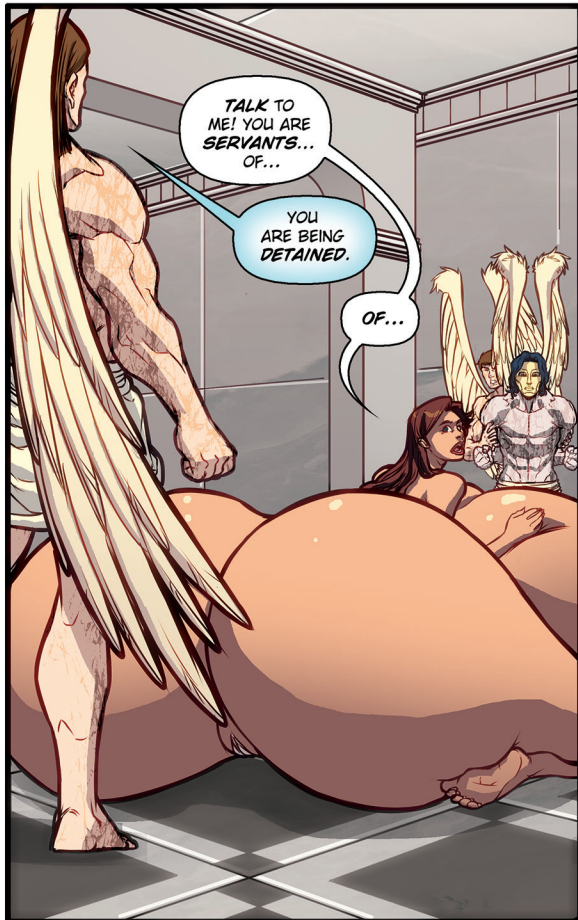
I CAN'T... MOVE...

YOU ARE BEING DETAINED.



ARE YOU... TAKING ME AWAY? WHAT'S... HAPPENING?

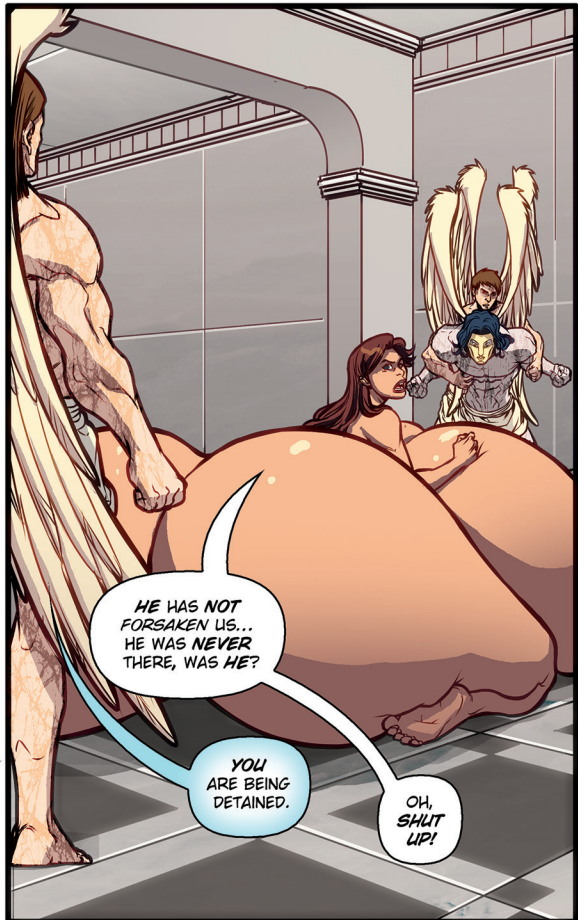
YOU ARE BEING DETAINED.



TALK TO ME! YOU ARE SERVANTS... OF...

YOU ARE BEING DETAINED.

OF...



HE HAS NOT FORSAKEN US... HE WAS NEVER THERE, WAS HE?

YOU ARE BEING DETAINED.

OH, SHIT UP!



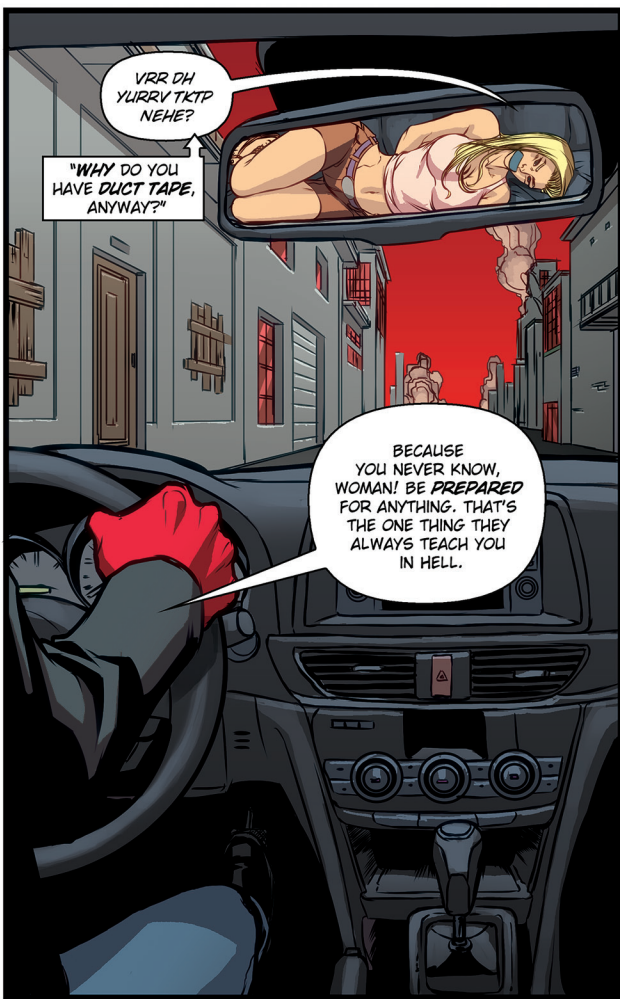
"...IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT..."

"AND I-"



YOU! YOU'RE THAT... THING THAT CAME OUT OF ME!

BROOD-MARE! GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN.



VRR DH YURRY TKTP NEHE?

"WHY DO YOU HAVE DUCT TAPE, ANYWAY?"

BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW, WOMAN! BE PREPARED FOR ANYTHING. THAT'S THE ONE THING THEY ALWAYS TEACH YOU IN HELL.



DON'T WORRY, I JUST NEED YOU AS COLLATERAL.

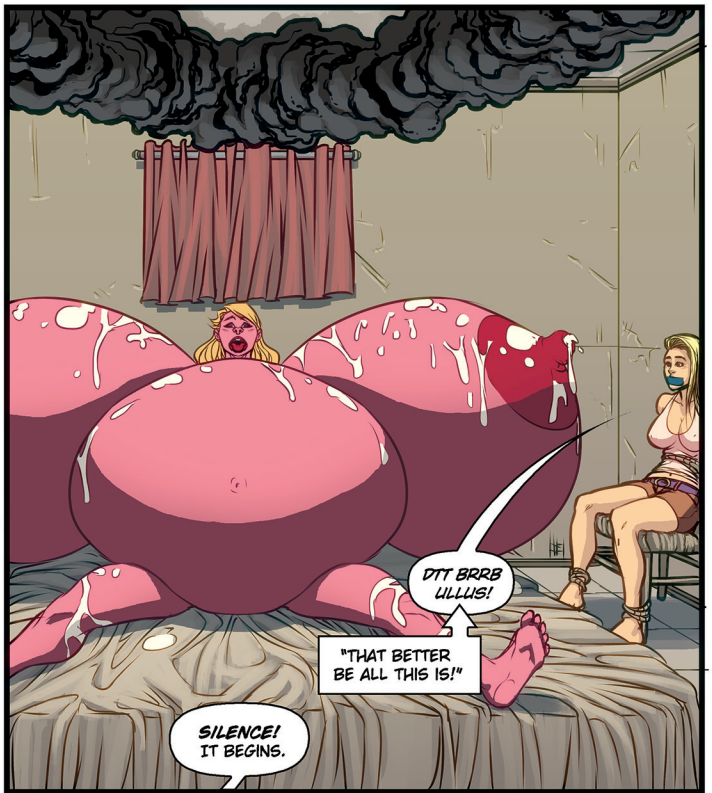


CAN'T HAVE INTERLOPERS RUINING THE PLAN.



YOU DIDN'T BRING HER HERE TO FUCK HER, DID YOU?

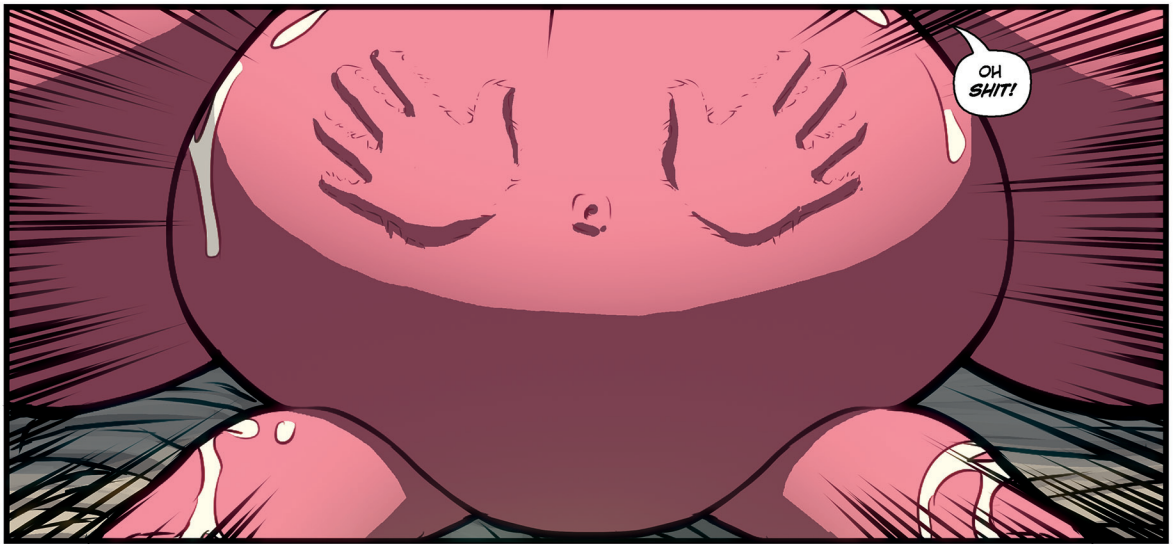
**NONSENSE.**  
THIS IS AN ORDINARY  
I-WAS-SPOTTED-SO-I-  
TOOK-A-HOSTAGE  
SITUATION!



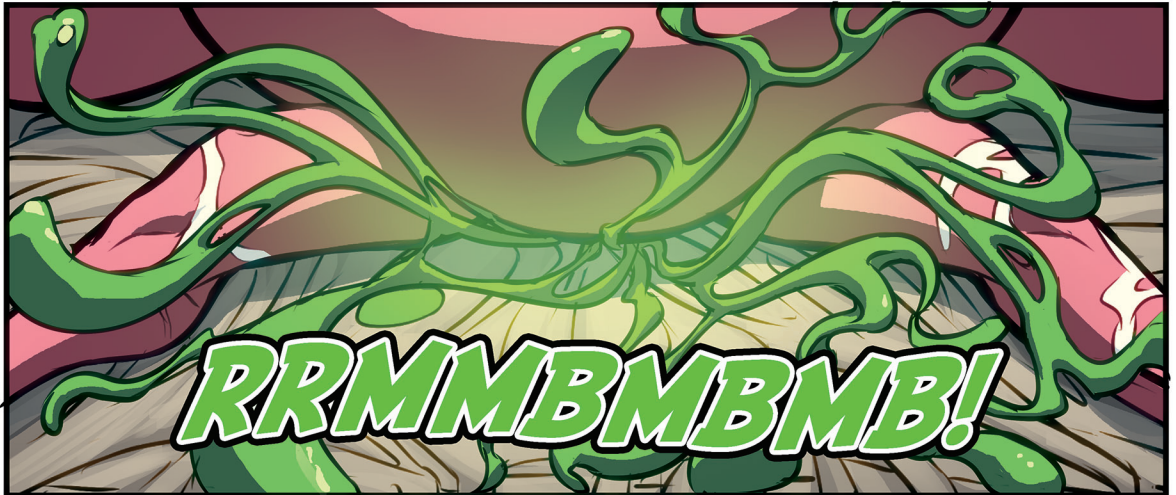
DTT BRRB  
ULLUS!

"THAT BETTER  
BE ALL THIS IS!"

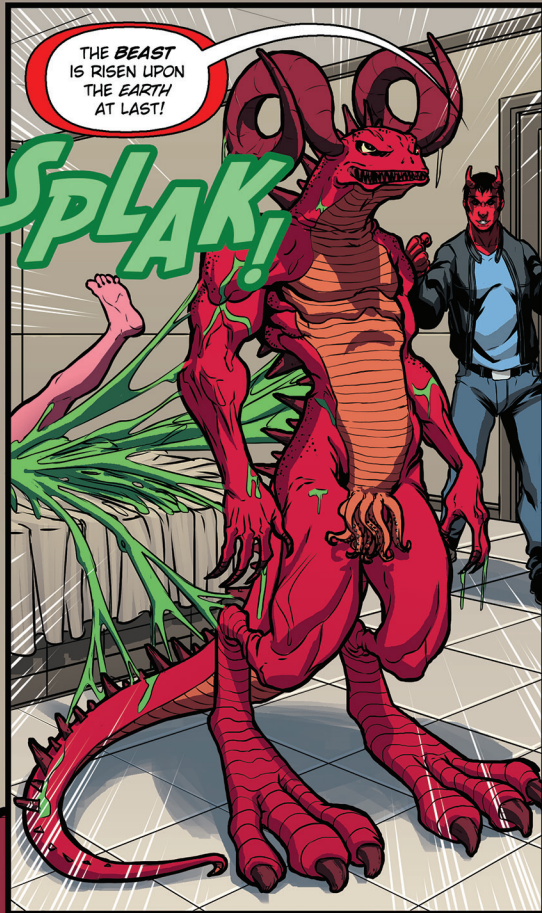
**SILENCE!**  
IT BEGINS.



OH  
SHIT!



**RRMMBMBMB!**

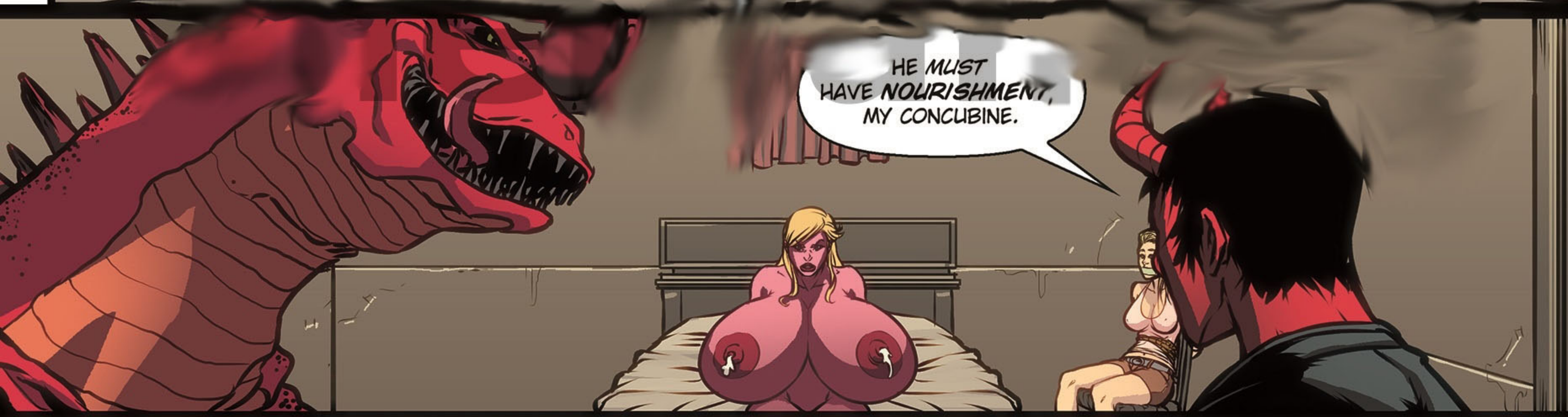




WHEW! THAT'S A RELIEF. I THOUGHT I'D BE STUCK LIKE THA-



DAMN IT!



HE MUST HAVE NOURISHMENT, MY CONCUBINE.

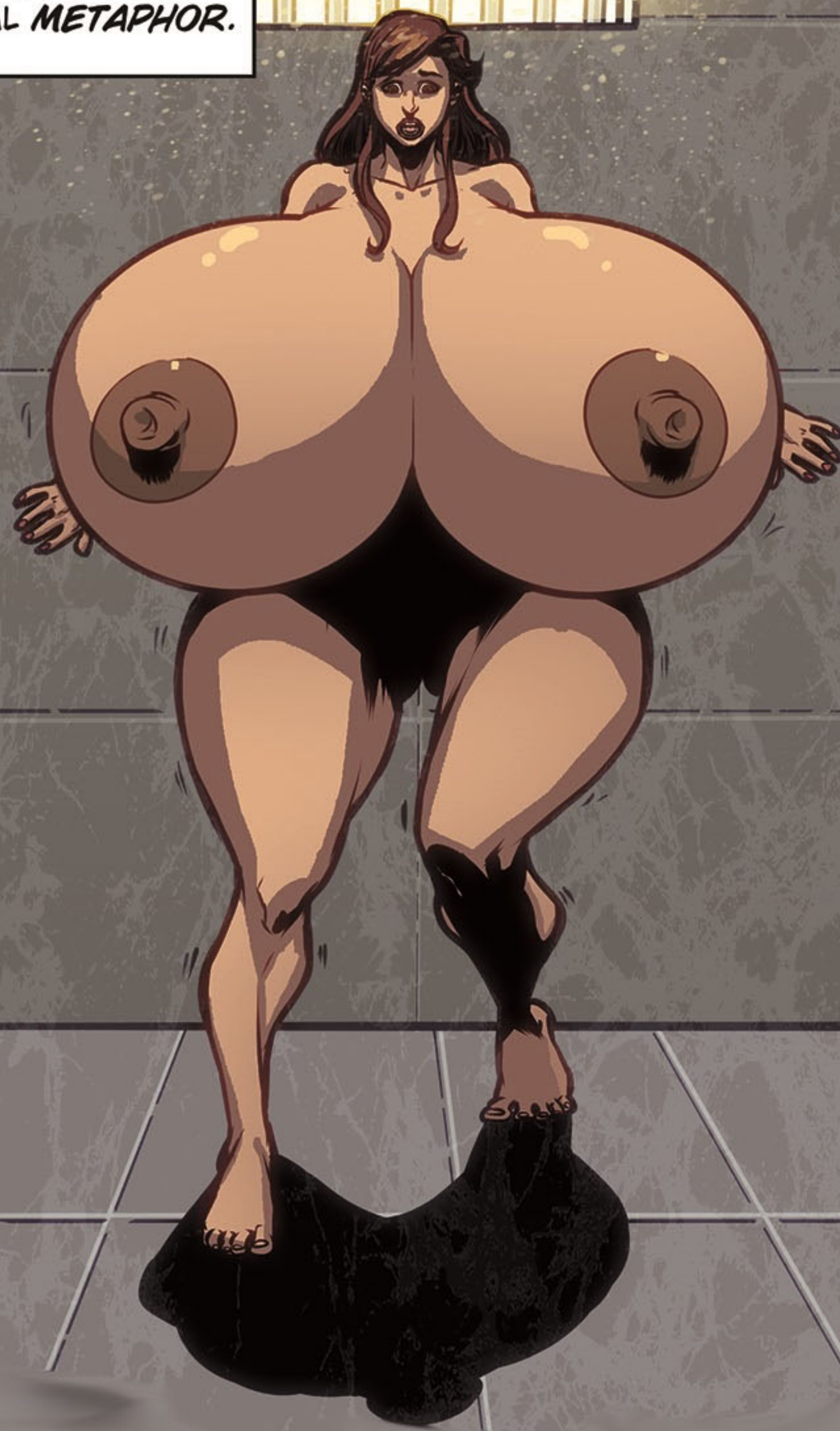


GO GET HIM A FUCKING CORN DOG, THEN! LEAVE MY TITS OUT OF THIS!

I'M *NAKED* AND ALONE IN A DARK ROOM,  
QUESTIONING EVERYTHING I BELIEVE IN.



SUCH A *PAINFULLY*  
LITERAL *METAPHOR*.



GAH!



WHAT?





WH-WHO ARE YOU?



MY NAME IS SOPHIA, AND HE'S JOSHUA. AUSPICIOUS NAMES, NO?

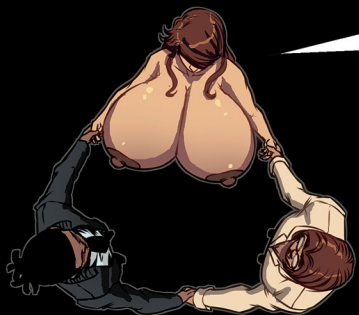


I DON'T UNDERSTAND.

ALL WILL BE REVEALED.

LET'S MAKE A MOVE WHILE THE SCREWS ARE STILL DAZED.

**VNNNNNNN!**



NO! THAT'S IT! I HAVE BEEN JERKED AROUND ENOUGH! I DEMAND ANSWERS! NOW!



THE TRUTH, MERCY?



YOU ARE GOD, MERCY, AS I AM AND AS JOSHUA IS.



THAT DOESN'T HELP ME.

LET ME EXPLAIN. DO YOU KNOW WHAT AN AEON IS?

NOT REALLY.

THEN LET'S START AT THE BEGINNING...

TO BE CONTINUED