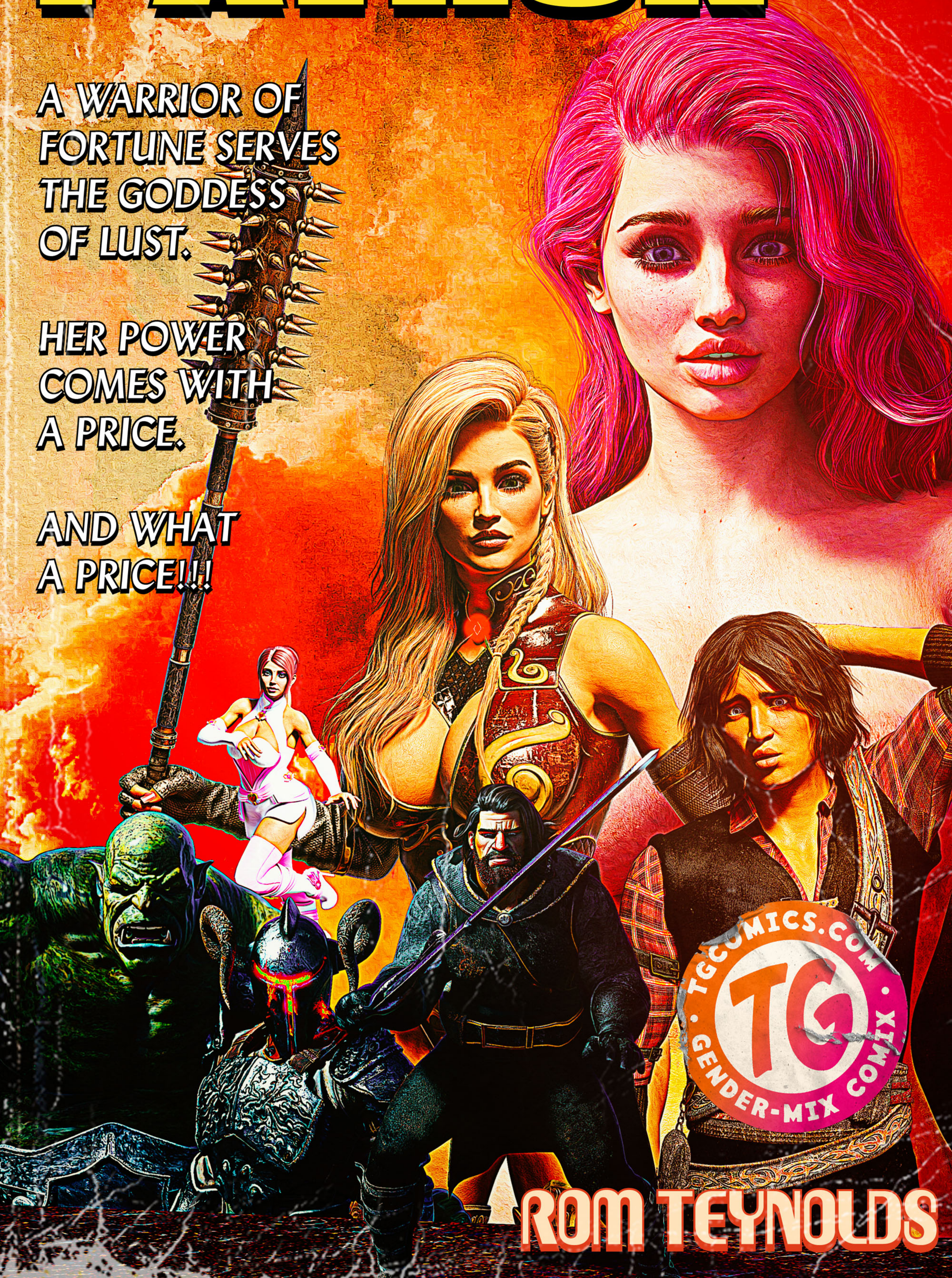


THE PATRON

A WARRIOR OF
FORTUNE SERVES
THE GODDESS
OF LUST.

HER POWER
COMES WITH
A PRICE.

AND WHAT
A PRICE!!!



ROM TEYNOLDS



HGHH!

ARGH!



I'M **READY**,
YOU SON OF A
BITCH!



UGH, WHY
DO I FEEL SO
WEAK?









SHE *NEVER*
TAKES THIS LONG.
YARANIA?!



WHOOSH!



CRISTON!
GOOD TO SEE
YOU.



SHE
THOUGHT WE'D HEAR
FROM YOU SOON. JUST
IN THE NICK OF TIME,
REALLY.









WHEN YOU **SCREAMED** YOUR HOLLOW GRIEF INTO THE WILD WINDS ATOP THE GODS' MOUNTAIN, **WHO** HEARD YOUR CRIES FOR **VENGEANCE?!**

DID THE WARRIOR LEND YOU HIS **SWORD?**
DID THE MAGE LEND YOU HIS **WAND?**



NO. **ONLY** THE LADY ANSWERED. SHE LENT YOU HER POWER IN THE NAME OF REVENGE AND SUFFERING AND PAIN. SHE DEMANDED **SERVICE** IN RETURN, AND YOU PLEDGED YOURSELF.



I KNOW.
I'M **SORRY**,
I...









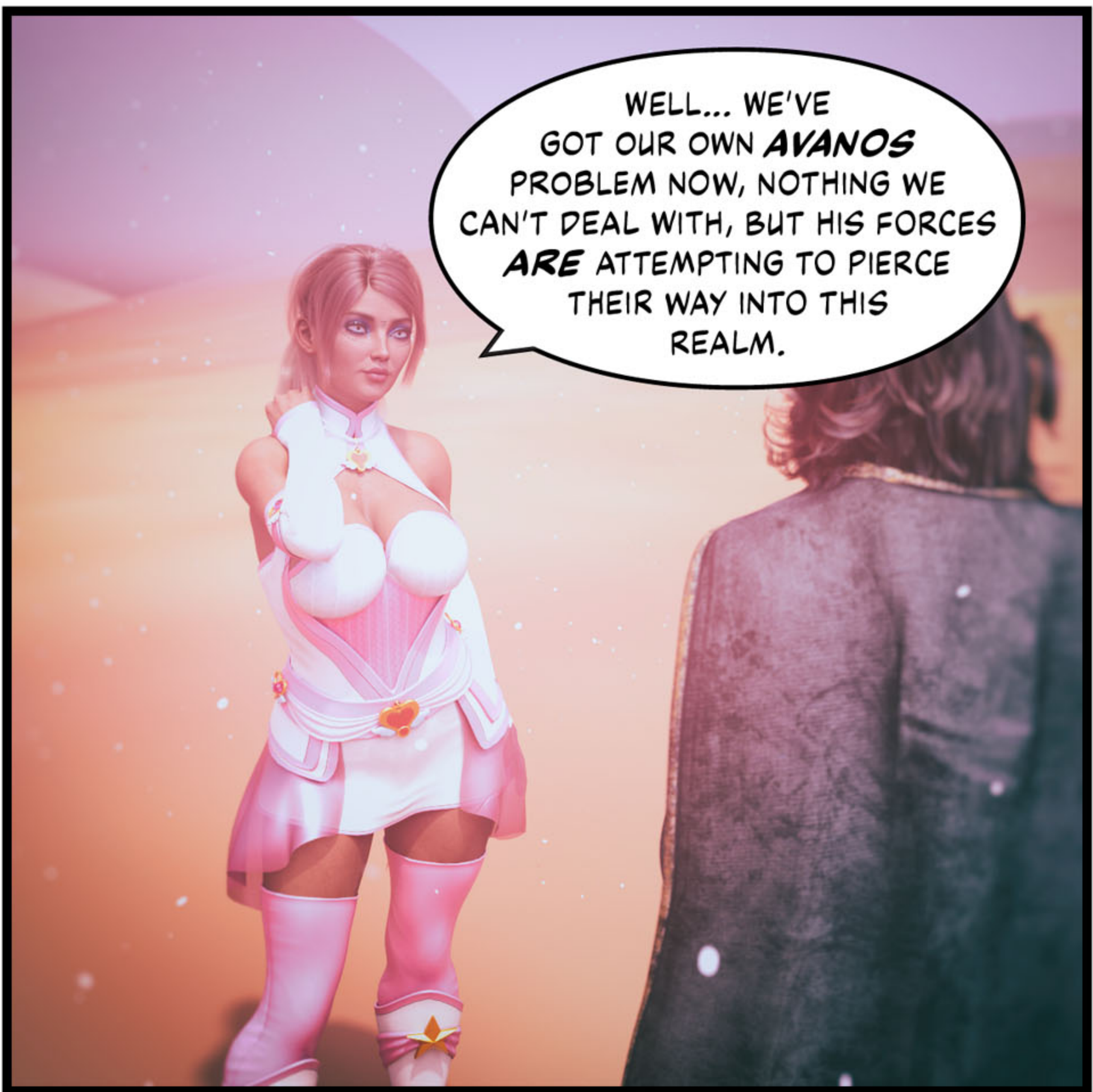
I'LL **NEVER**
GET USED TO
THAT.



HOW ARE
THINGS, **ANYWAY?**
YOU'RE A LONG WAY FROM
YOUR REVENGE MISSION. THE
FORCES OF AVANOS AREN'T
EXACTLY **SITTING**
AROUND.



THE VILLAGE.
THE BEAST WAS
TROUBLING THEIR
LIVESTOCK.



WELL... WE'VE
GOT OUR OWN **AVANOS**
PROBLEM NOW, NOTHING WE
CAN'T DEAL WITH, BUT HIS FORCES
ARE ATTEMPTING TO PIERCE
THEIR WAY INTO THIS
REALM.



WOULD I BE
RIGHT IN SAYING YOUR
MISSION HAS GONE
A **LITTLE** OFF-
TRACK?



I JUST...
EVEN WITH HER
HELP, I'M **STILL**
STRUGGLING.



TRUST
ME, SHE'S GOT
SOMETHING IN MIND FOR
YOU. SOMETHING
SPECIAL.



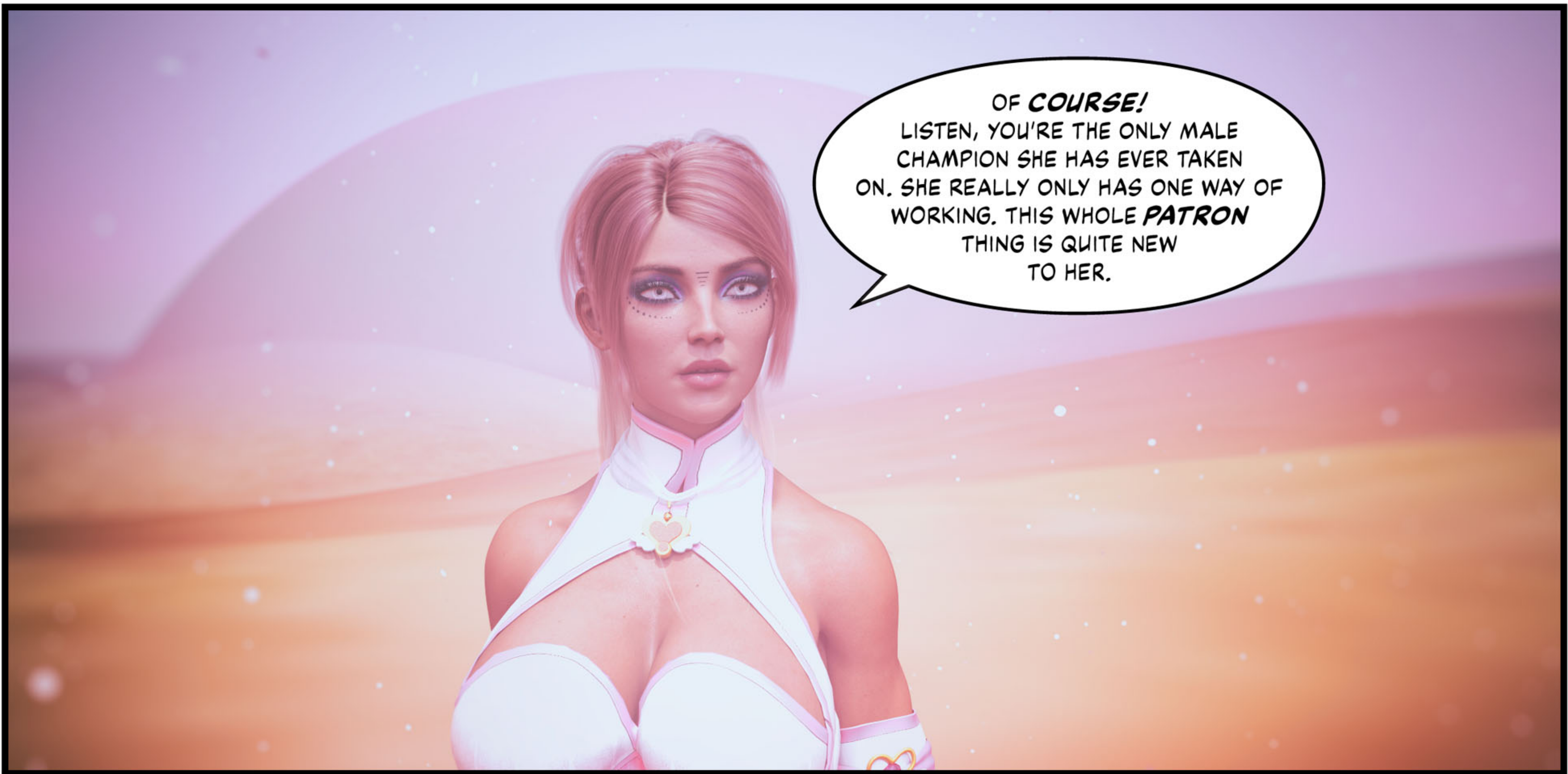
WHO'S THE
TARGET?



WE DON'T
HAVE TO TALK
ABOUT THAT,
YET.



AM I GOING
TO... IS SHE GOING
TO **TURN** ME
INTO...



OF **COURSE!**
LISTEN, YOU'RE THE ONLY MALE
CHAMPION SHE HAS EVER TAKEN
ON. SHE REALLY ONLY HAS ONE WAY OF
WORKING. THIS WHOLE **PATRON**
THING IS QUITE NEW
TO HER.



IT'S GOING
TO BE **FUN**. YOU DO
US A FAVOR, AND SHE'LL
DO ONE RIGHT BACK,
SHE **PROMISES**.



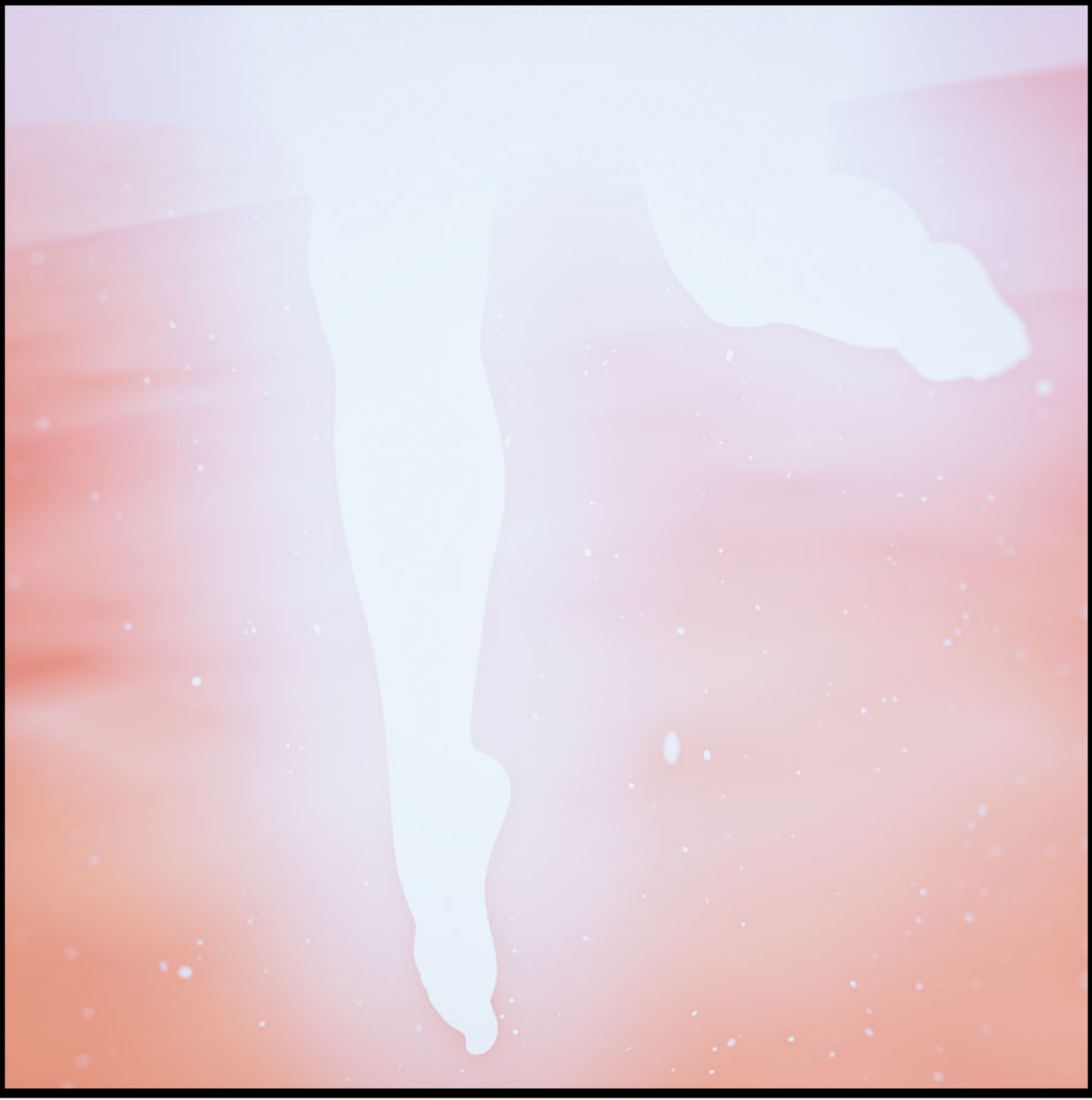
OKAY, I'M
READY...

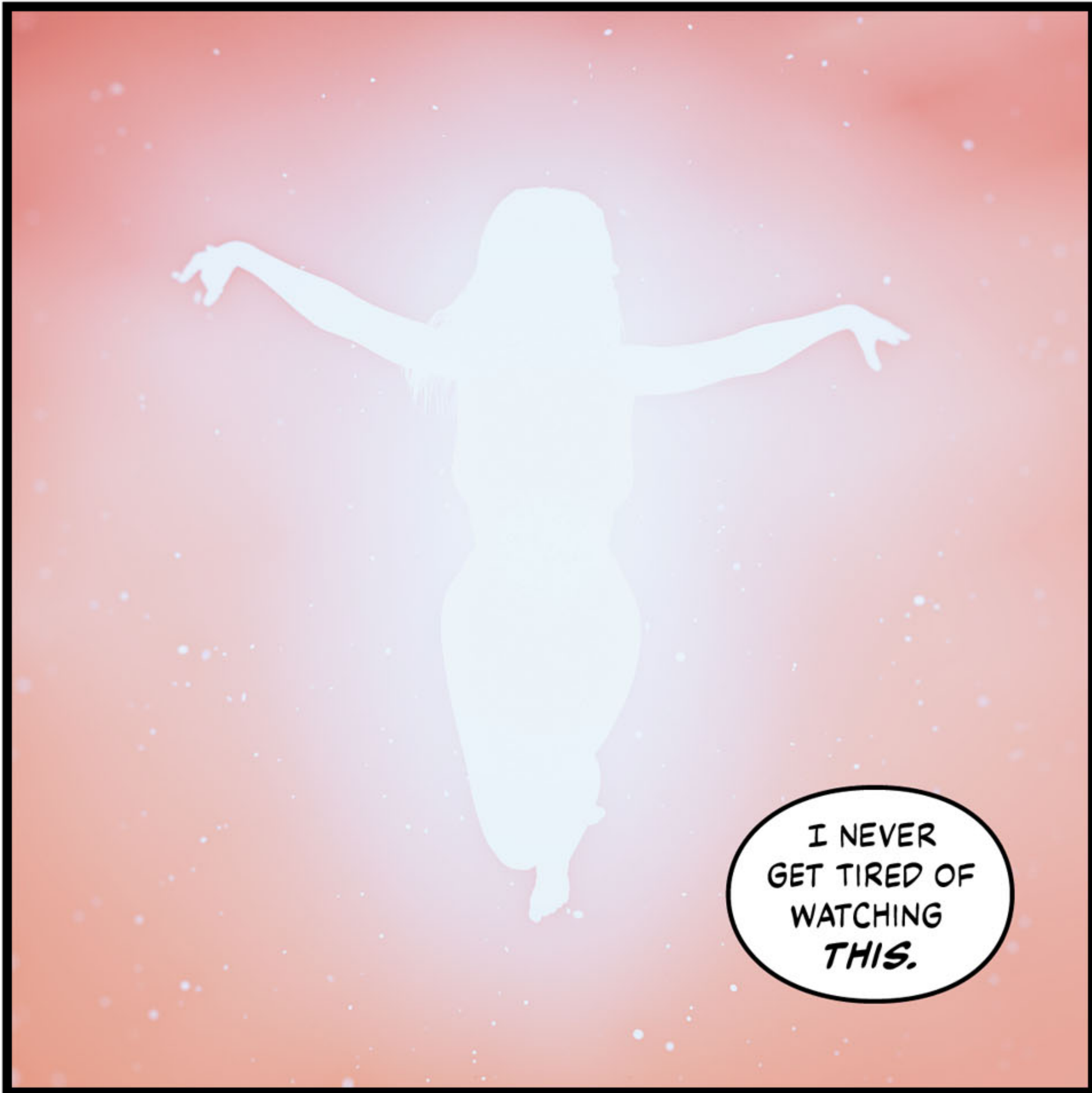


YOU **SAY**
THAT...



BUT
YOU'VE **NEVER**
BEEN READY
BEFORE.







I *WASN'T*
READY.





WE FOUND A CANDIDATE WHO'S GOT A **HIGH** ASTROLOGICAL CHANCE OF BEING THE HEIR OF THE HIGH-KING OF ALL OF **ARAGOR**.

HE'S CALLED **TWIG**, SON OF VIGGO. SON'S SON'S SON BLAH BLAH... OF THE LAST KING.

WITH THE **CURRENT** TROUBLE ON THE SPIRIT SIDE, WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN **GET**.

WE NEED **SOMEONE** TO RALLY THE PEOPLE AGAINST AVANOS BEFORE THERE'S TOO MUCH DAMAGE DONE ON **EITHER** SIDE OF THE RIFT.



YOUNG TWIG IS IN A **JAM** RIGHT NOW, AND IT'S FORTUNATE YOU RAN OUT OF POWER AT **THIS** PRECISE MOMENT.



YEAH, **FORTUNATE**.



IF YOU'RE ACCUSING US OF **ANY** IMPROPRIETY, YOU CAN TAKE IT UP WITH **HER**.



DEFINITELY **NOT**.



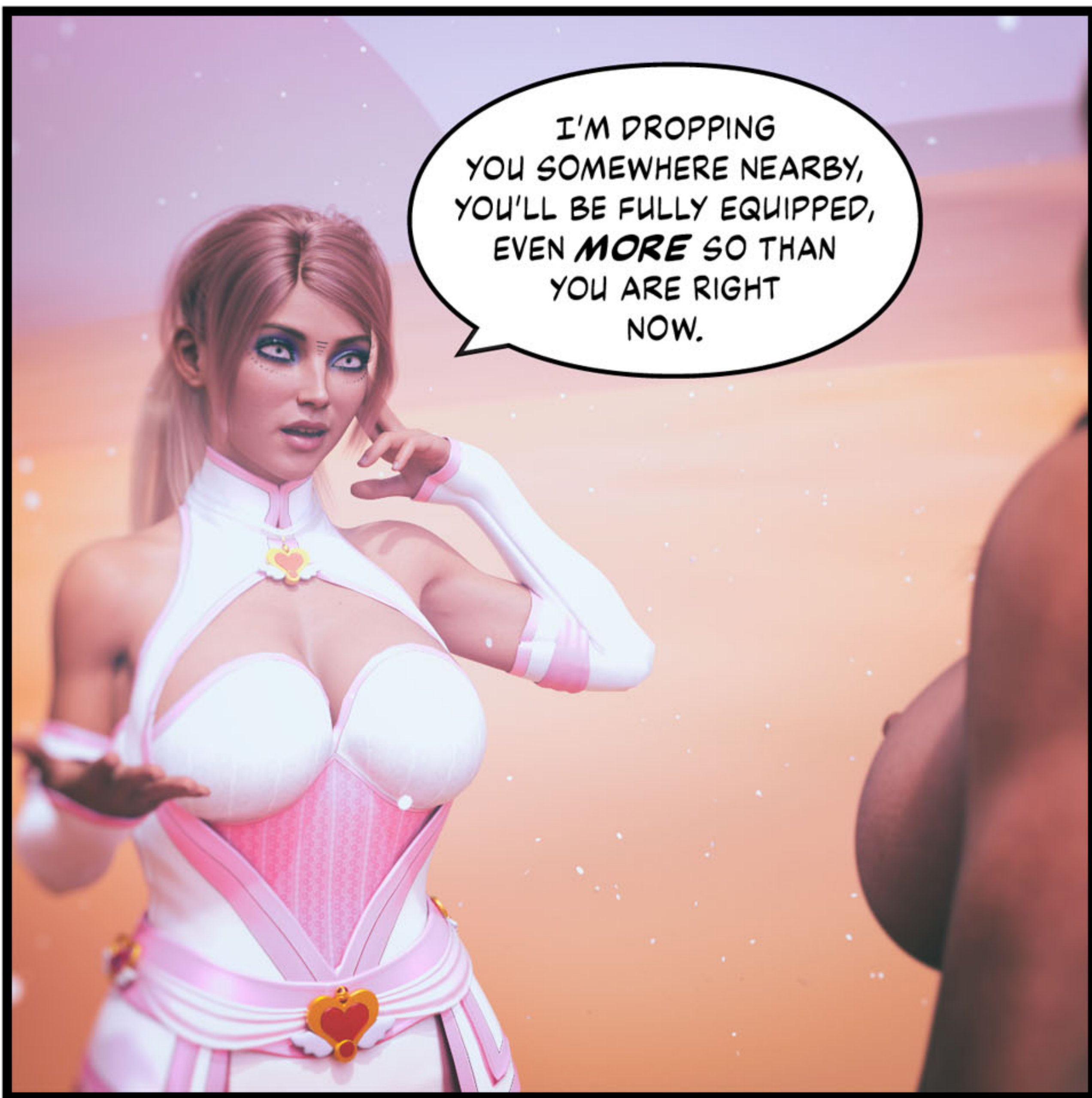
YOU'RE FORTUNATE, THOUGH NOT AS FORTUNATE AS **HIM**. WITHOUT YOUR HELP, YOUNG TWIG WILL DIE FIVE MINUTES AFTER THE MOMENT WE LEFT THE WORLD.




ER... THAT'S **NOT** MUCH TIME!



NOT IMPORTANT.







SAVE TWIG,
SHOW HIM A GOOD
TIME, SPREAD **PLEASURE** AND
LOVE AND YOU'LL BE RIGHT BACK TO
FIGHTING MONSTERS AND WASTING
YOUR LIFE IN **NO**
TIME.



I'M **SURE** YOU'RE
WONDERING IF SHE'S GOING TO
BE GENEROUS AND **SHARE** SOME
OF HER ENTHUSIASM WITH
YOU...



HAVE NO FEAR.
OF **COURSE** SHE'S
GOING TO HELP
YOU OUT!











LOOKS LIKE
THE TARGET
TO *ME*.



JUST HAVE
TO RUSH IN
AND SAVE THE
DAY...



I WISH I
WAS FEELING A BIT
MORE READY FOR *BATTLE*
AND LESS READY
FOR *BED*.











THAT WAS
FUN, FELLAS.
WE'VE *GOT* TO
GET TOGETHER
AGAIN *SOON*.

THANK YOU!
I'M FOREVER IN
YOUR *DEBT*! THEY
WERE GOING
TO...









WE *SHOULD* BE SAFE NOW. I'VE BEEN LIVING HERE SINCE THE TOWN WAS RAZED THE *FIRST* TIME.


I'M SORRY THERE AREN'T MORE SUPPLIES. I GUESS I PICKED THE *WRONG* TIME TO...



WHOA! WHAT ARE YOU *DOING?!*



LISTEN, *LONG* STORY SHORT.



I'M A WARRIOR
IN **DEBT** TO ONE OF
THE HIGHER POWERS
OF THE ETHEREAL
PLANE.

I LOST MY
PARENTS AROUND
THE SAME AGE
AS **YOU**.


I SPEND MY DAYS
TRAVELING THE WORLD,
RIGHTING WRONGS, SLAYING
MONSTERS AND TRYING TO
TRACK DOWN THE FORCES OF
DARKNESS WHO KILLED
MY FAMILY.



TAKE
OFF YOUR
CLOTHES.

DID YOU MEAN
DARKNESS?

NO.



I WENT TO
THE GODS' MOUNTAIN,
AND I BESEECHED THEIR
POWERS TO HUNT DOWN
THE **KILLERS** OF
MY WIFE AND
FAMILY.





AND THEY
SAY IT'S VERY, **VERY**
IMPORTANT TO KEEP
YOUR PATRONS
HAPPY.



NOW,
LET'S **DO**
THIS.













GODDESS!

OH!

OH!

IT'S INCREDIBLE!

OH!









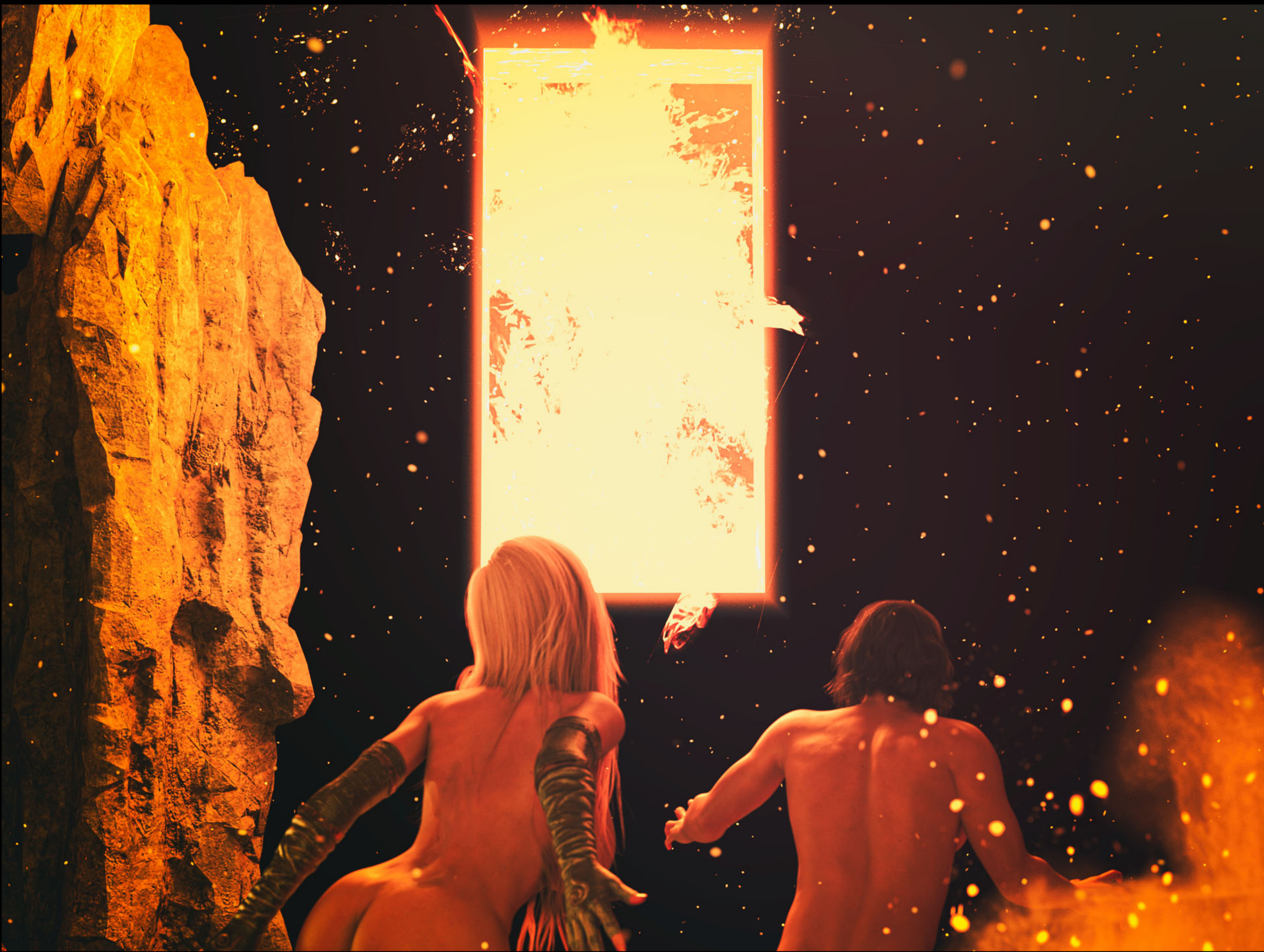


















HE-YAH!





CRISTON
AND TWIG ***WILL***
RETURN.



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A LANDS OF ARAGOR JOINT



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