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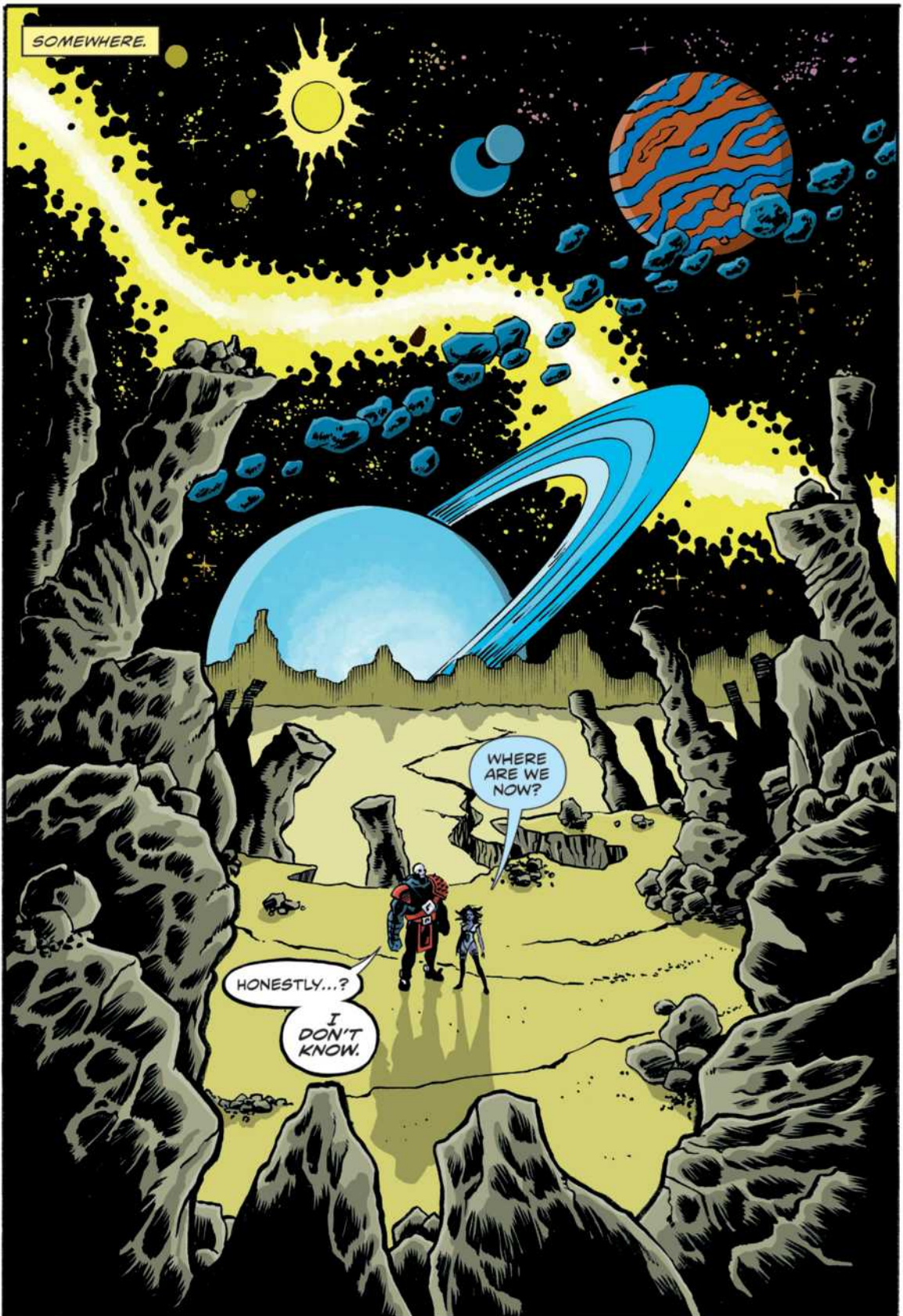
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SOMEWHERE.



WHERE ARE WE NOW?

HONESTLY...?

I DON'T KNOW.

AN EPIC TALE  
ON A TRULY  
COSMIC SCALE  
TOLD BY..

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I DON'T WANT TO LOOK ANYMORE. IS THIS EARTH YET?

IT'S EARTH. BUT... ERM... LET'S TRY FOR SOMEWHERE MORE LOCAL, BOTH GEOGRAPHICALLY AND... CHRONOLOGICALLY.



EARTH?

NOT QUITE.



OOO. THIS FEELS LIKE I'M CLOSE.

YOU ARE, YOU REALLY ARE...!

...BUT?

THIS ISN'T THE BEST DAY TO MATERIALIZE.

GO AGAIN.



DEATH? DEE? LEVEL WITH ME.

I'M A SCIENTIST, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET HOW TO CONTROL THIS BLASTED KEY THING, SHOULDN'T I?

BUT WE'VE BEEN BIPPING AND BOPPING ALL OVER THE UNIVERSE...

REALITYSPHERE.

...FOR WHAT FEELS LIKE MONTHS NOW.

WHAT IS IT I'M NOT DOING?

WELL... THAT IS... AH...

WHAT? WHAT?!

YOU'RE A MORTAL WOMAN.

I MEAN, A STRONG, INDEPENDENT, MODERN WOMAN.

AND A SCIENTIST.

MAYBE YOU'RE JUST... WELL...

...GETTING A BIT TOO EMOTIONAL ABOUT THIS.

EMOTIONAL? EMOTIONAL?!!

I'LL SHOW YOU E-BLOODY-MOTIONAL!

HERE WE GO.











AH, MASTER DEATH. WE'VE BEEN RATHER CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR ABSENCE.

THE SUPREME HERSELF HAS REQUESTED YOUR AUDIENCE AS SOON AS YOU ARE ABLE.

I'LL GET RIGHT ONTO THAT. SEE IF YOU CAN GET THIS QUEUE MOVING, SET.

HEY!



YOU FORGET ABOUT ME?!

I HAVE DUTIES HERE, I'M AFRAID, CHRISSEY. YOU HEARD WHAT SET SAID...



SO THAT'S IT IS IT?

WE SPEND THREE... MONTHS... MILLENNIA... EONS TOGETHER?

WHATEVER THEY WERE!

AND NOW YOU'RE JUST WHAM-BAM-THANK-YOU-MA'AM?!



CHRISSEY, DON'T BE LIKE THAT.

THE TRAUMA OF LINGUIDED TRAVEL THROUGH SPACE-TIME CAN PLACE AN INCREDIBLE STRAIN ON--



INCREDIBLE STRAIN?!

MISTER, I HAVE NOT BEEN HOME IN A LENGTH OF TIME THAT CANNOT BE ACCURATELY DEFINED IN WORDS ALONE. I HAVE NOT WASHED.

I HAVE NOT SPOKEN TO A SINGLE SOUL OTHER THAN YOU...

...AND, BABE, I DON'T EVEN KNOW...



...IF YOU HAVE A SOUL!

FZZT

WAIT, I HAVE A SOUL! I HAVE...

...ALL THE SOULS.

:(SIGH):