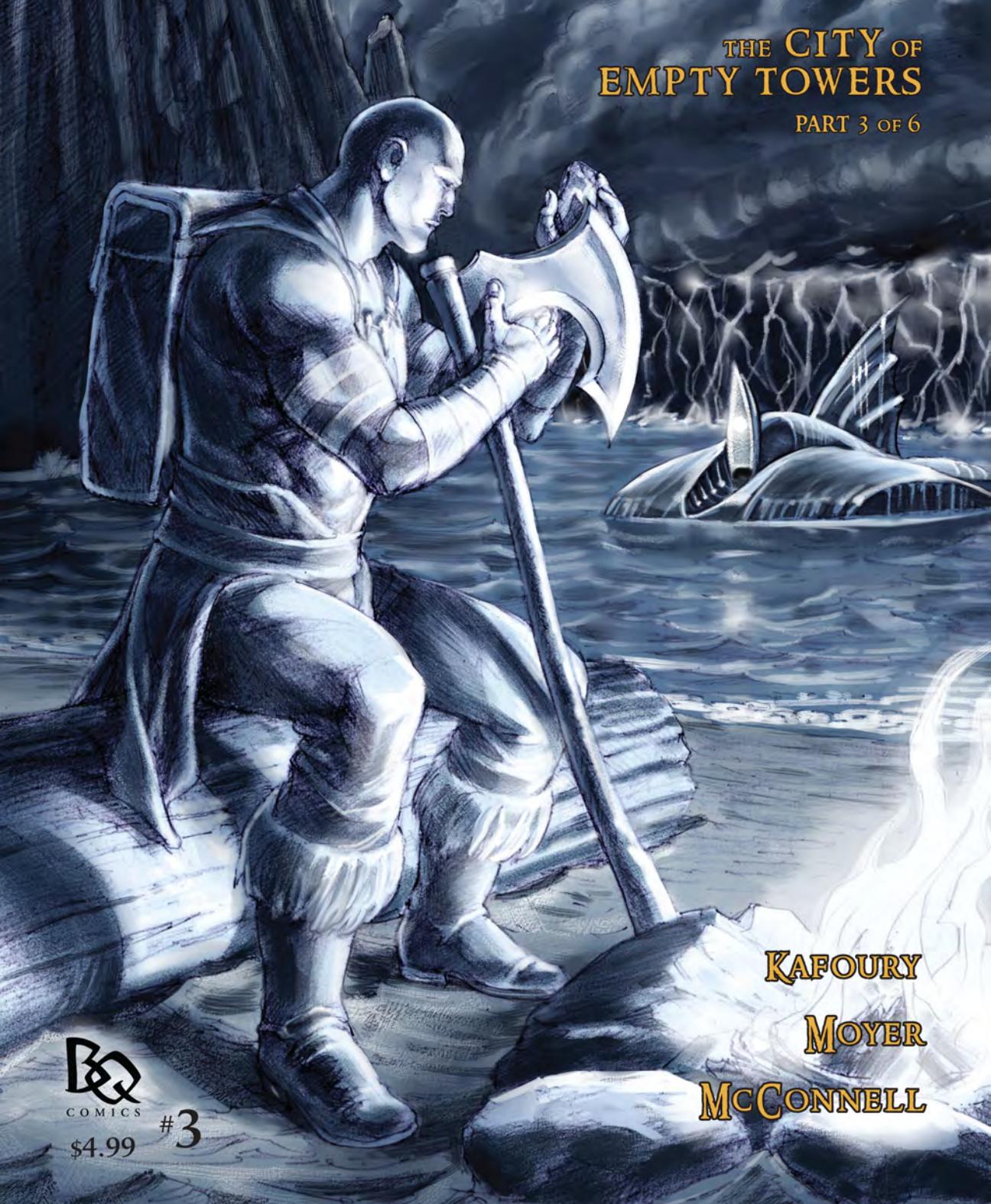


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KA'SELL

Betrayed and enraged,
I roam to
the roar of the waves.

To find a hut
and heal my wounds.

To burn my cloak
and make a necklace
of animal teeth

I must shave my
face and head.
To purge.

Next I must unravel
how to find
Ka'sell

And how to prove
my worth to
Tyon.

Taron forgive me.
I must not fail.



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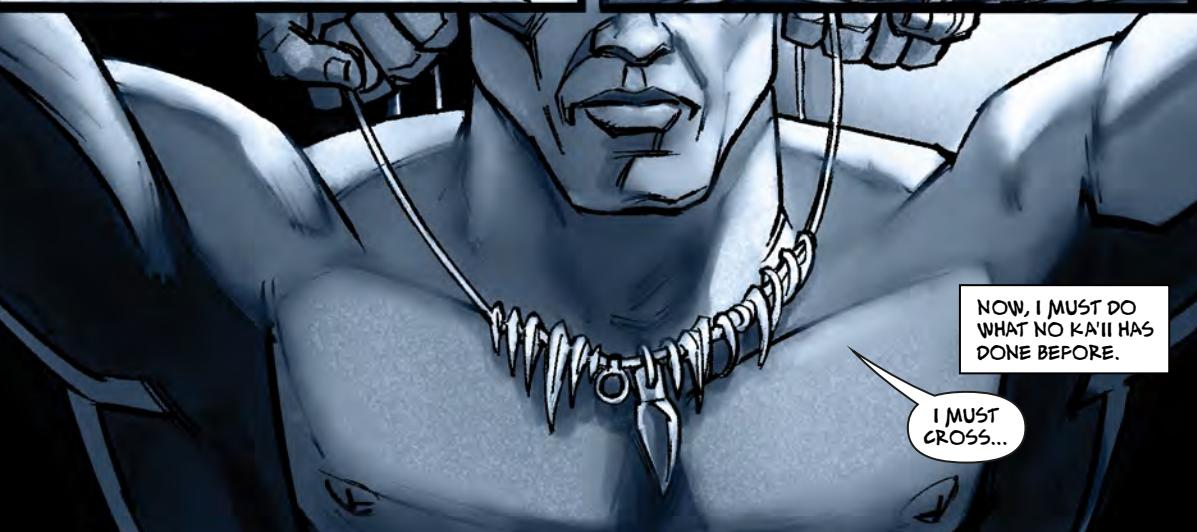


MONTHS HAVE PASSED
SINCE MY PALL.

MY SON, I
PROMISED TO
RETURN. AND I
SHALL. BUT I NO
LONGER FACE A
SINGLE BATTLE.
THIS IS WAR.



IN WAR, KA'II SHED THE LAYERS OF
OUR PAST. TO BEGIN ANEW. REBUILT.
MIGHTIER. BETTER PREPARED.



NOW, I MUST DO
WHAT NO KA'II HAS
DONE BEFORE.

I MUST
CROSS...

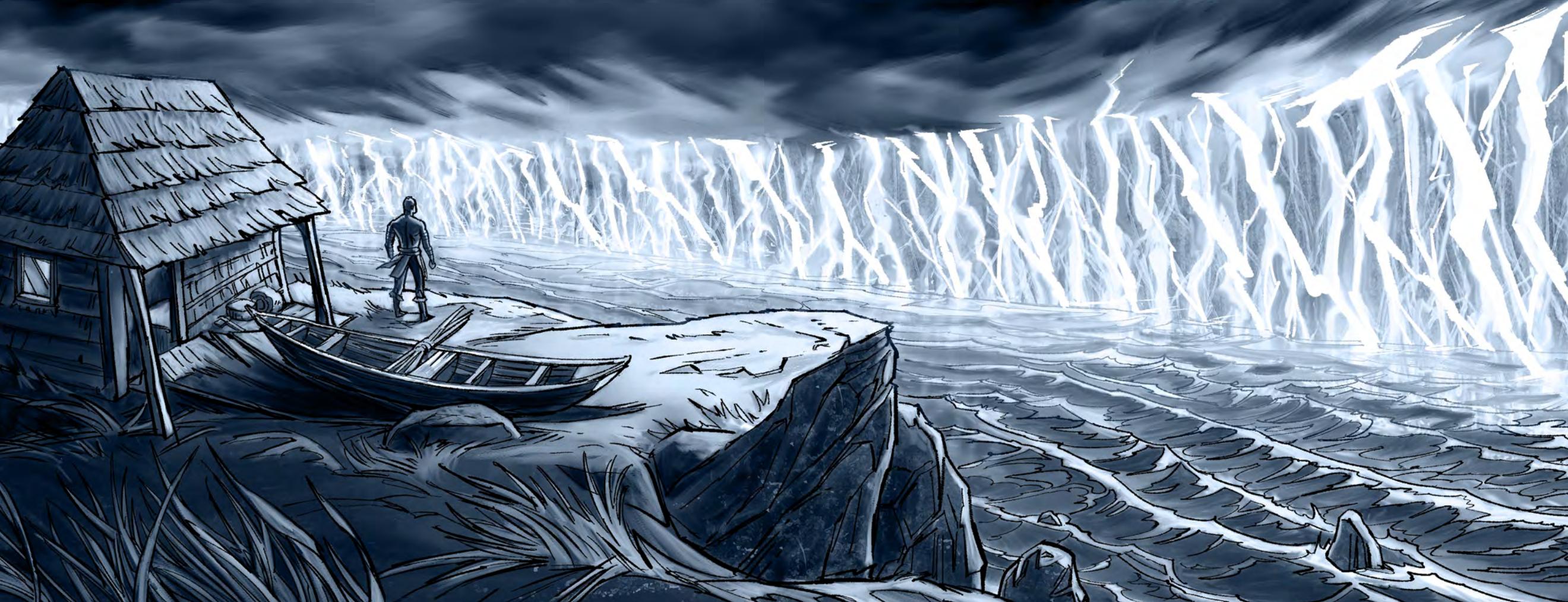
The Chain of Wrath!

THE UNCONQUERABLE
WALL OF STORMS!

NO KA'II HAS CROSSED THIS ROLLING,
EVER-MOVING SEA. YET LEGENDS OF
PLATU'S ELDritch MAGICS AND
UNIMAGINABLE RICHES PERSIST.

KA'SELL SAID I WAS NOT READY TO
FACE THE TRUTH ABOUT HER - OR THE
INVADERS ON "PLATU'S UNSEEN CITY."

HOW COULD SHE GET TO PLATU?
AND HOW EVER SHALL I CROSS?



WHAT CAN IT ALL
MEAN? WHY DID
KASELL BETRAY
ME? HOW MANY
LIES HAS SHE
TOLD?

AND WHY LEAVE ME
TO THE SWARMING
Q'NATZ?



HOW COULD I
ESCAPE SO MANY?



THEN I SAW THE
SWORD--MY
SINGLE CHANCE.



AND I
LUNGED.





KA'SELL.

SHINING WARRIOR
BELOVED WIFE.

WHY?



WHY DID YOU ABANDON
TARON-- YOUR ONLY SON?

WHY DID YOU BETRAY ME?



WHAT THREAT
AWAITS ME IN
PLATU?

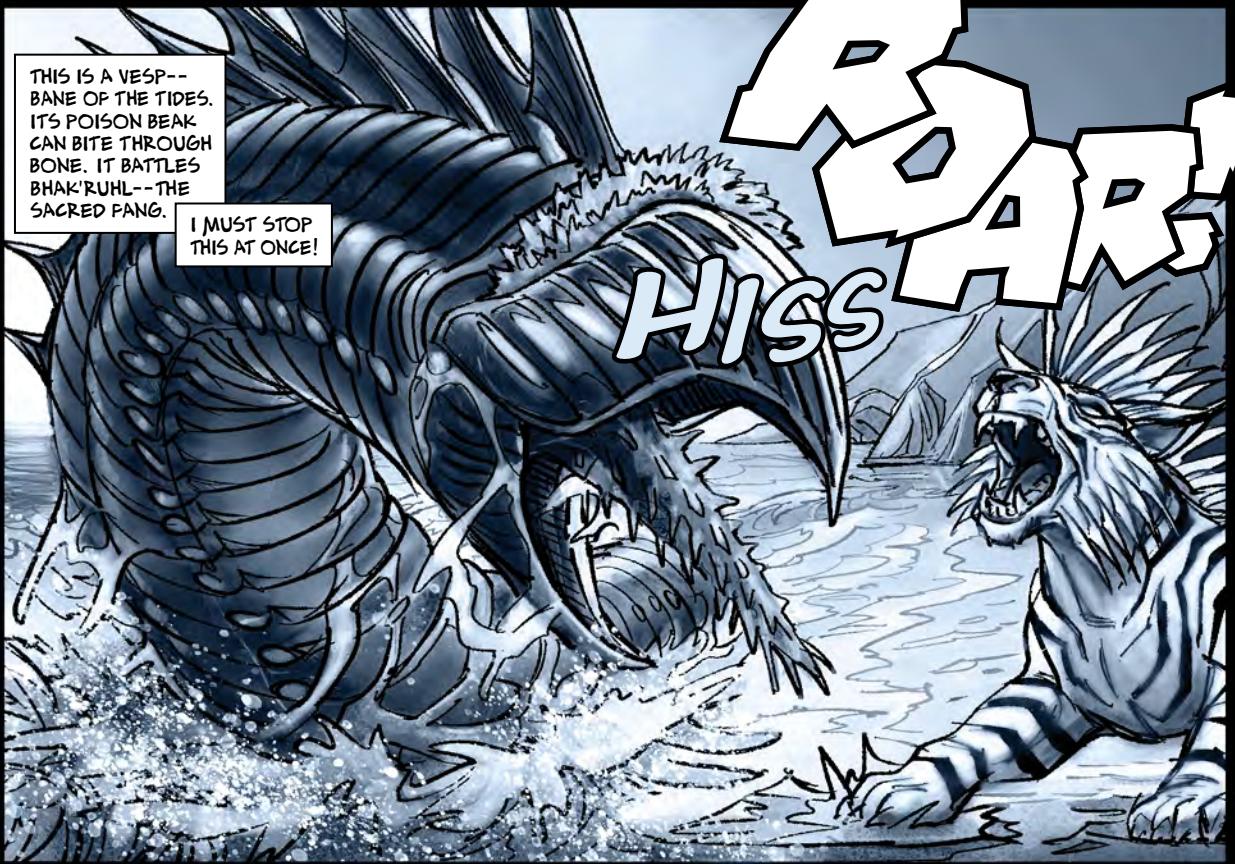


AND HOW SHALL I GET THERE?



THE CHAIN OF WRATH MOCKS
ME--WRITHING AND THUNDERING.
STILL UNCONQUERED.









SHE MOVES FOR MANY LEAGUES,
AND NEVER LOOKS BACK.



THE DUNES
FINALLY GIVE WAY
TO THE LUSH.



BY THE SPIRITS! DID BHAK'RUHL
MEAN FOR ME TO FIND...

...THIS?



WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY! IT HAS BEEN OVER ONE THOUSAND CYCLES SINCE LAST I HAD COMPANY. I AM SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

I AM NO'MADD.
CHIEF OF B'LINN.
WHAT ARE YOU
CALLED?

I AM NOT NAMED.
I AM AN AH'KEE
ARK. A SHIP. I AM
NOT A PERSON.

YOU
ARE NOT
ALIVE?

I THINK
I LIVE, YES.
BUT NOT AS
YOU DO.

ARE YOU
A FISHER
BOAT?

WELL, I SUPPOSE ONE COULD FISH.
BUT I WAS BROUGHT INTO BEING TO
CARRY THE AH'KEE. NOT FISH.

YOU CAN
CROSS THE CHAIN
OF WRATH?

OH YES! I HAVE
NEVER DONE IT! BUT I
WOULD LIKE TO! WOULD
YOU ALSO LIKE TO?

IF YOU WOULD BE SO KIND AS TO RELEASE
ME FROM THIS... STRANGE PLANT?

I WILL
DO SO AT
ONCE.

THANK YOU, NO'MADD--MY
ONE AND ONLY FRIEND--MY BEST
FRIEND--THE GREATEST FRIEND
IN ALL THE LANDS OF ITH!

DID YOU
SAY YOU
WERE OF THE
AH'KEE?

I DID.

TRULY?
MY TEACHER
TOLD TALES
OF THEIR
EMPIRE.

IN MY YOUTH, IN WHISPER'S CAVE.

WHO ARE THESE BEINGS YOU PAINT SO FEVERISHLY?

LONG BEFORE THE KA'II, THERE WAS THE AH'KEE! TYON'S CHILDREN! THEIR KINGDOMS STRETCHED ALONG THE WAVES!

A NOBLE RACE! AS GENTLE AS THEY WERE WISE! UNDONE BY DARK SORCERY!

HOW?

A PLAGUE WHICH LEFT NO SURVIVORS!

YES, THE AH'KEE ARE GREAT. AND WISE! THEY AND THEIR SORCERS BROUGHT LIFE AND MAGIC INTO THE LAND.

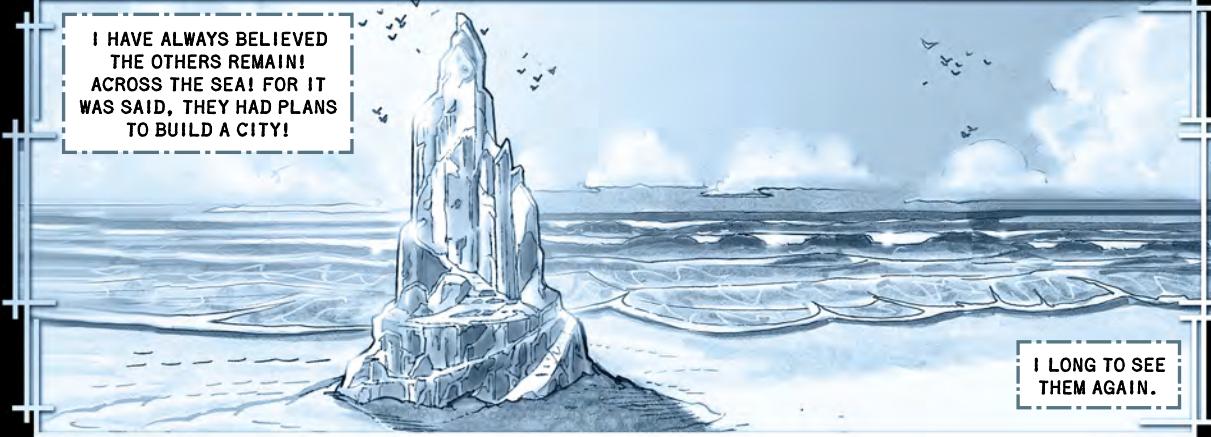


THERE WAS A PLAGUE. NO ONE KNOWS HOW IT SPREAD SO FAST. IT WAS HARD. BUT IT DID NOT DESTROY THE AH'KEE.

MANY TRAVELED TO FAR HAVENS IN GIANT ARK SHIPS, MUCH LARGER THAN I. THE SHIPS TOOK THEM ACROSS THE SEA!



I HAVE ALWAYS BELIEVED THE OTHERS REMAIN! ACROSS THE SEA! FOR IT WAS SAID, THEY HAD PLANS TO BUILD A CITY!



I LONG TO SEE THEM AGAIN.

AN AH'KEE CITY
ON PLATU?

I SPEND THE DAY
PACKING PROVISIONS.

I SPEND THE NIGHT
IN DREAMS OF DEATH.
AND OF... WHISPERS?

FEAR
NOT.

I WILL
GUIDE THE
BOY.

AFTER MY
DEATH?

GOOD MORNING, FRIEND NO'MADD!
THIS IS AN EXCITING DAY INDEED!
MUCH ADVENTURE AWAITS US!

LET US
BEGIN, ONWARD,
SHIP! TO THE
AH'KEE CITY!

HOORAY!

AT MIDDAY, I PAUSE FOR WHAT MAY BE MY FINAL MOMENTS OF REST.

WHAT A LOVELY DAY! ARIZ SHINES SO BRIGHT!

YOU KNOW THE TALE OF ARIZ?

THE SUN GOD. EVER IN QUEST OF TYON'S LOVE. BUT SHE REJECTS HIM. SO, HE CHASES HER AROUND THE SKY. FOREVER.

HE IS UNWORTHY.

AND CREEPY!

HA. MY PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT ONLY A SHOW OF MIGHT WILL EARN HER LOVE.

THE AH'KEE KNEW BETTER.

EXPLAIN?

THE AH'KEE BUILT WEAPONS TOO, BUT THEY NEVER USED THEM. THEY BUILT TEMPLES, BUT NOT FOR TYON. TO HELP ONE ANOTHER!

I DO NOT UNDERSTAND.

INSTEAD OF SEEKING THE LOVE OF TYON, THEY TOOK CARE OF THEMSELVES! AND OTHERS! THAT IS WHY SHE LOVED THEM.

HMM.

LOOK! A FISH! I HAVE NEVER SEEN A FISH CAUGHT SO EASY!

PERHAPS TYON FAVORS YOU, NO'MADD?



THAT NIGHT, WE ENTER
THE CHAIN... WIND
GROWS TO TEMPEST...







IN DREAMS SEALED BY DARKNESS, I FEEL MY MIND SLIP INTO THE DEAD PAST.

KRAK!



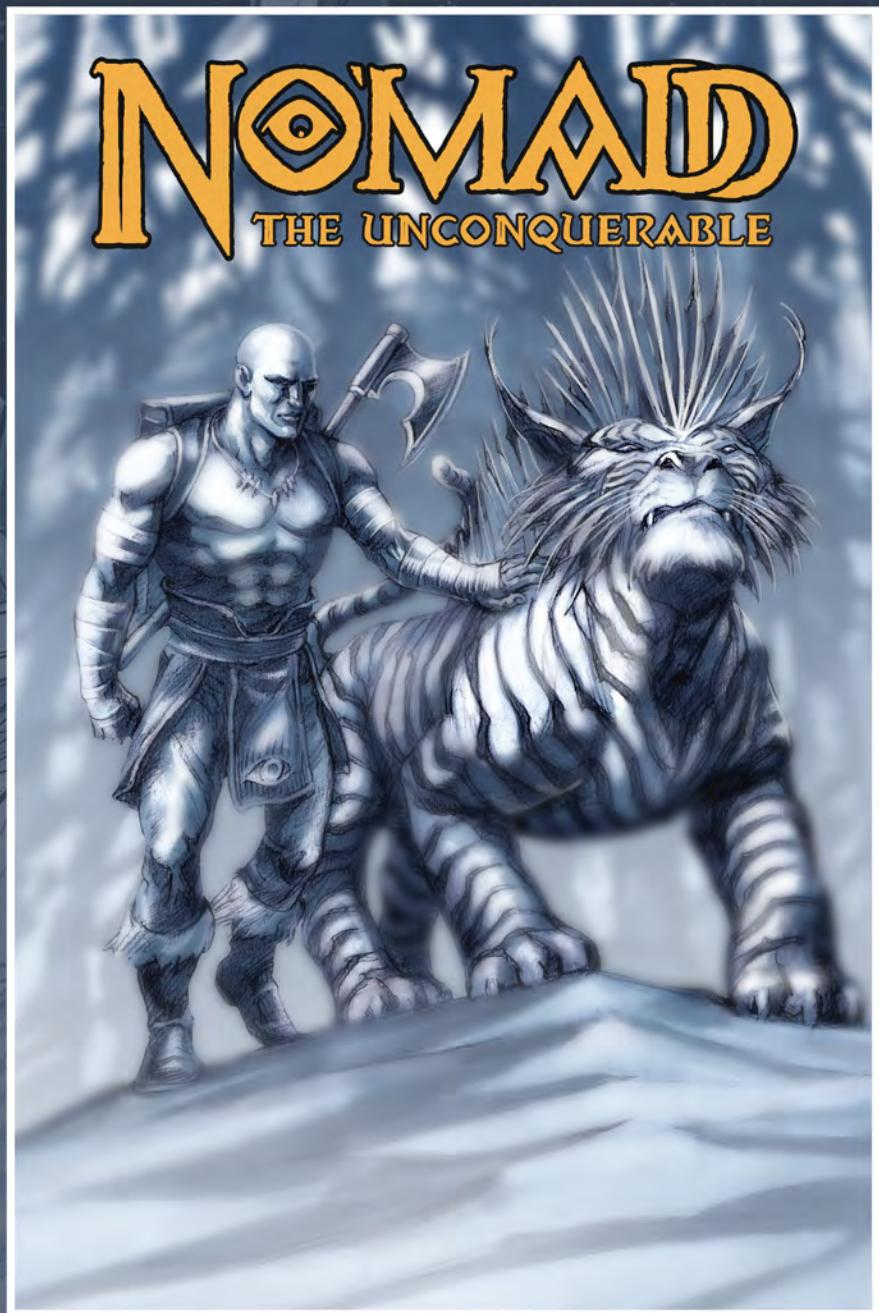
MY FATHER WAS CLENN.
HE WAS KNOWN AS
THE HUNTER.

MY MOTHER
WAS YU--
THE STREAM.

THEY WERE THE BEST OF
THE KA'II. THEY LOVED EACH
OTHER AND THEY LOVED ME,
WHILE THEY LIVED.



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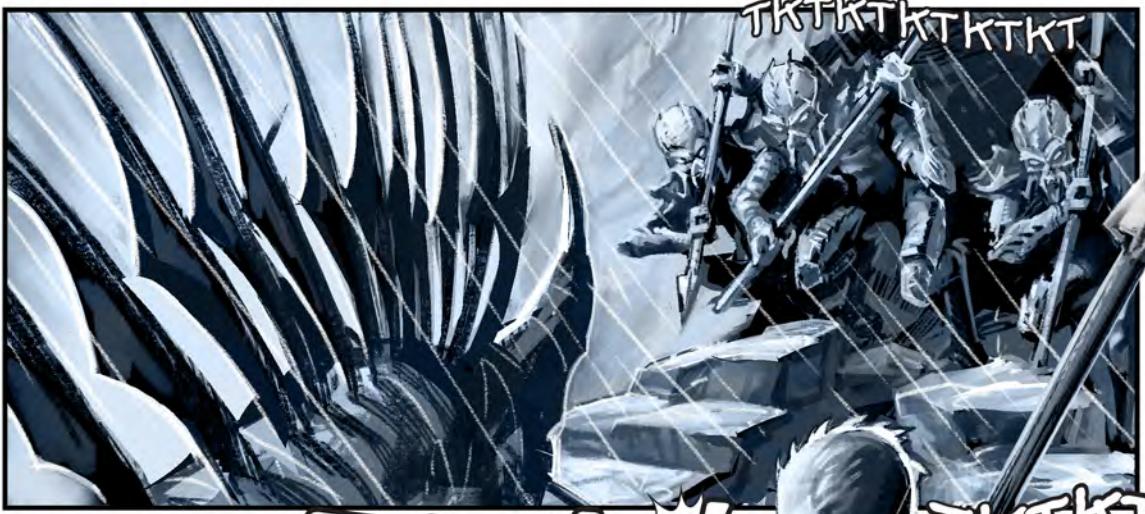




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QUEST

The Hermit & the Fang







RAWWWR!!!!



END

WHISPERS

HERMIT OF THE STONES





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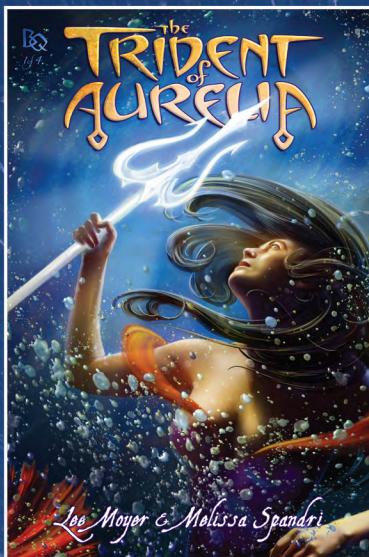
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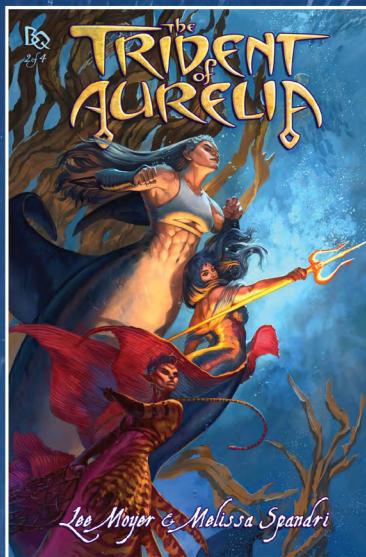
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