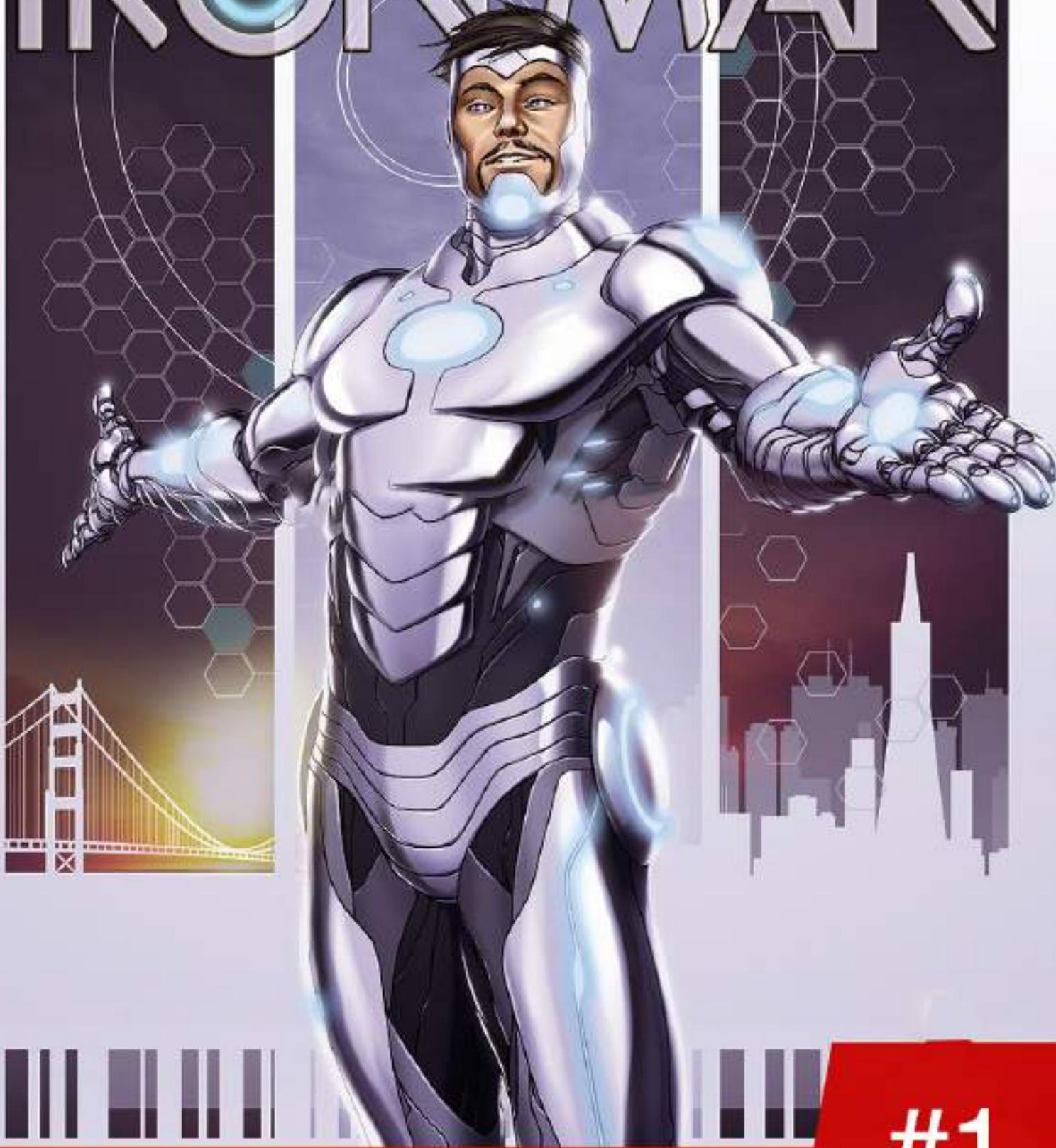


SUPERIOR IRON MAN



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MARVEL

AVENGERS
NOW!



EXTREMIS 3.0



BE BEAUTIFUL • BE INTELLIGENT • BE HEALTHY • BE IMMORTAL

BE SUPERIOR



Tony Stark is a technological visionary...a famous, wealthy and unparalleled inventor. With the world's most advanced and powerful suit of armor, Stark has valiantly protected the innocent as an invincible bright knight known as IRON MAN.

But when his mind was altered, a more selfish and devious personality surfaced. Can Tony Stark still be a hero when he thinks he's superior?

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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE...

INDUSTRIALIST TONY STARK IS ONE OF THE SMARTEST AND RICHEST MEN ON THE PLANET. WITH HIS HIGH-TECH ARMOR HE PROTECTS EARTH AS THE INVINCIBLE IRON MAN.



DURING A WORLD-THREATENING BATTLE WITH A PSYCHIC-POWERED RED SKULL, IRON MAN AND AN ARMY OF HEROES DEFEATED THE VILLAIN...



BUT THE PSYCHIC FALLOUT CHANGED THE PERSONALITIES OF THOSE ON THE BATTLEFIELD.



WHILE MOST WERE EVENTUALLY RESTORED, A MORE SINISTER TONY STARK EVADED CHANGING BACK...AND HE HAS SOME SPECIAL PLANS FOR THE WORLD HE SWORE TO PROTECT.



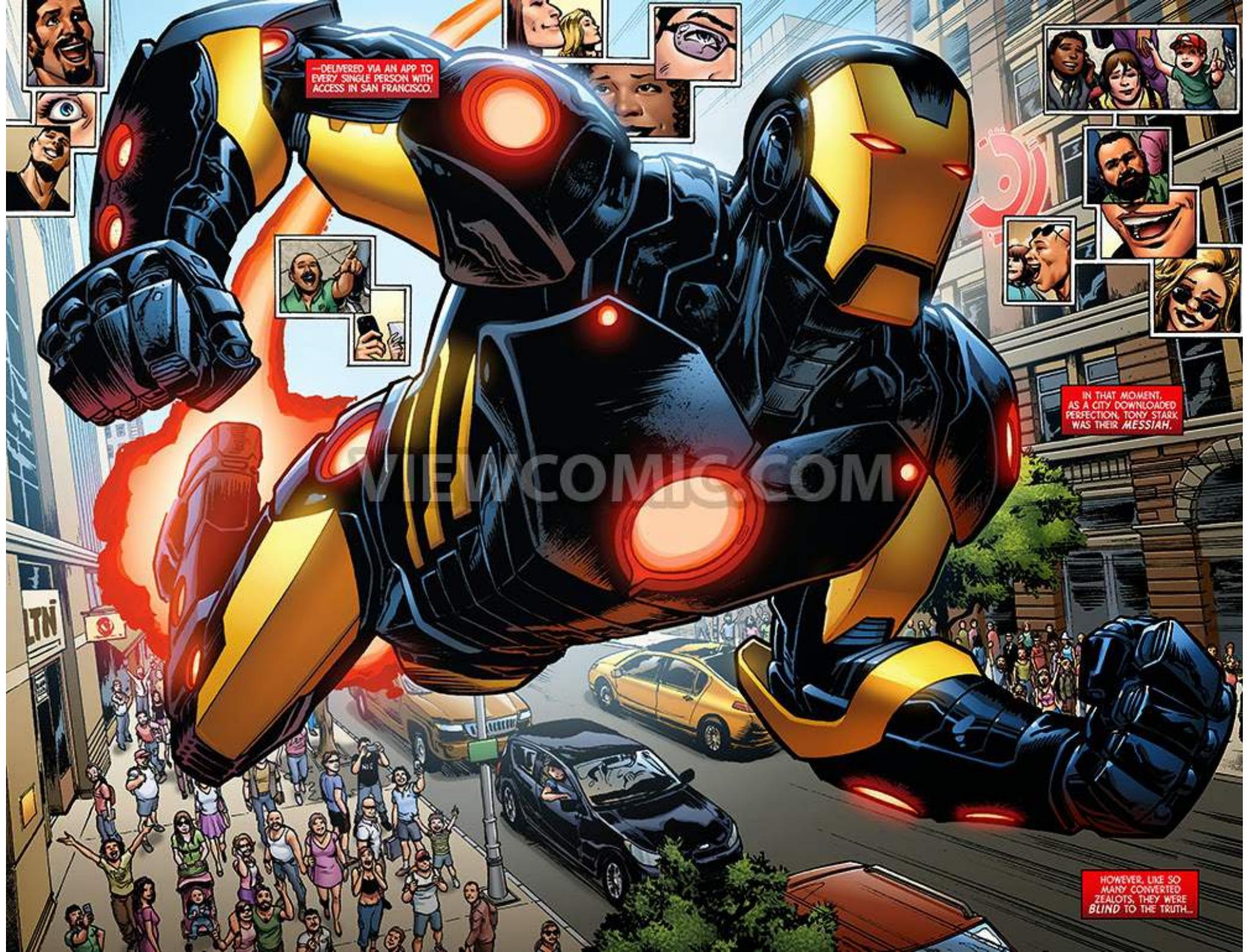
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A TECHNO-VIRUS DESIGNED TO TRANSFORM YOU INTO THE VERY BEST "YOU" YOU CAN BE. BEAUTY, MUSCLE TONE, HEALTH--



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OKAY, SAN FRANCISCO. IT'S TIME TO LOOK PRETTY FOR ME.





—DELIVERED VIA AN APP TO
EVERY SINGLE PERSON WITH
ACCESS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

IN THAT MOMENT,
AS A CITY DOWNLOADED
PERFECTION, TONY STARK
WAS THEIR MESSIAH.

HOWEVER, LIKE SO
MANY CONVERTED
ZEALOTS, THEY WERE
BLIND TO THE TRUTH.

ONE WEEK LATER.

LOOK OUT!

RUN!

AGHHHH!

CRUNCH

HNF.

SHE-HULK, WHAT DO WE HAVE?

HE CALLS HIMSELF "TEEN ABOMINATION."

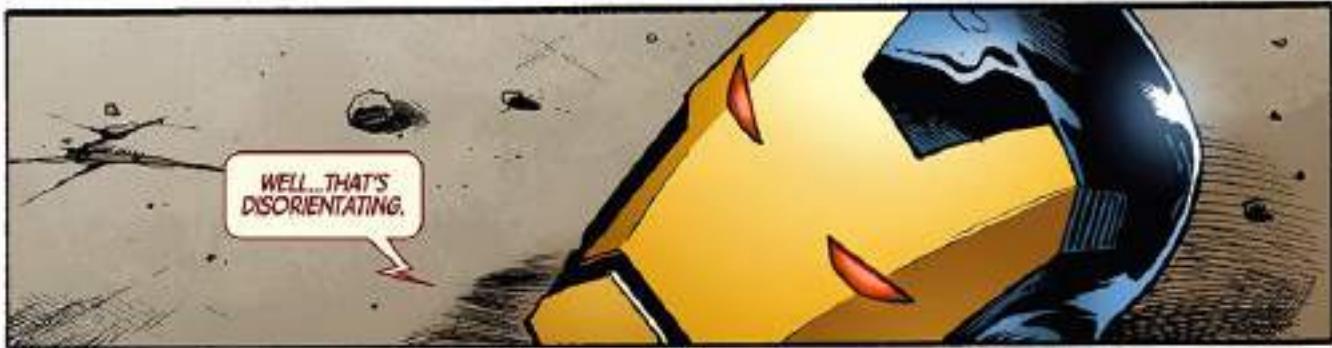
THAT'S A TERRIBLE NAME.

I TOLD HIM THAT HE DIDN'T TAKE IT WELL.

WHY WOULD YOU CHOOSE AN AGE-SPECIFIC NAME? WHAT HAPPENS WHEN HE TURNS TWENTY?













PEPPER!

GET
IN THE
POOL.

THAT'S NOT
GOING TO
HAPPEN.

DON'T WORRY
IF YOU DON'T
HAVE A BATHING
SUIT. WE'RE ALL
FRIENDS HERE.

REALLY?
WE'RE ALL
FRIENDS? NAME
ONE OTHER PERSON
IN THE POOL.

UHHH...

TONY...P

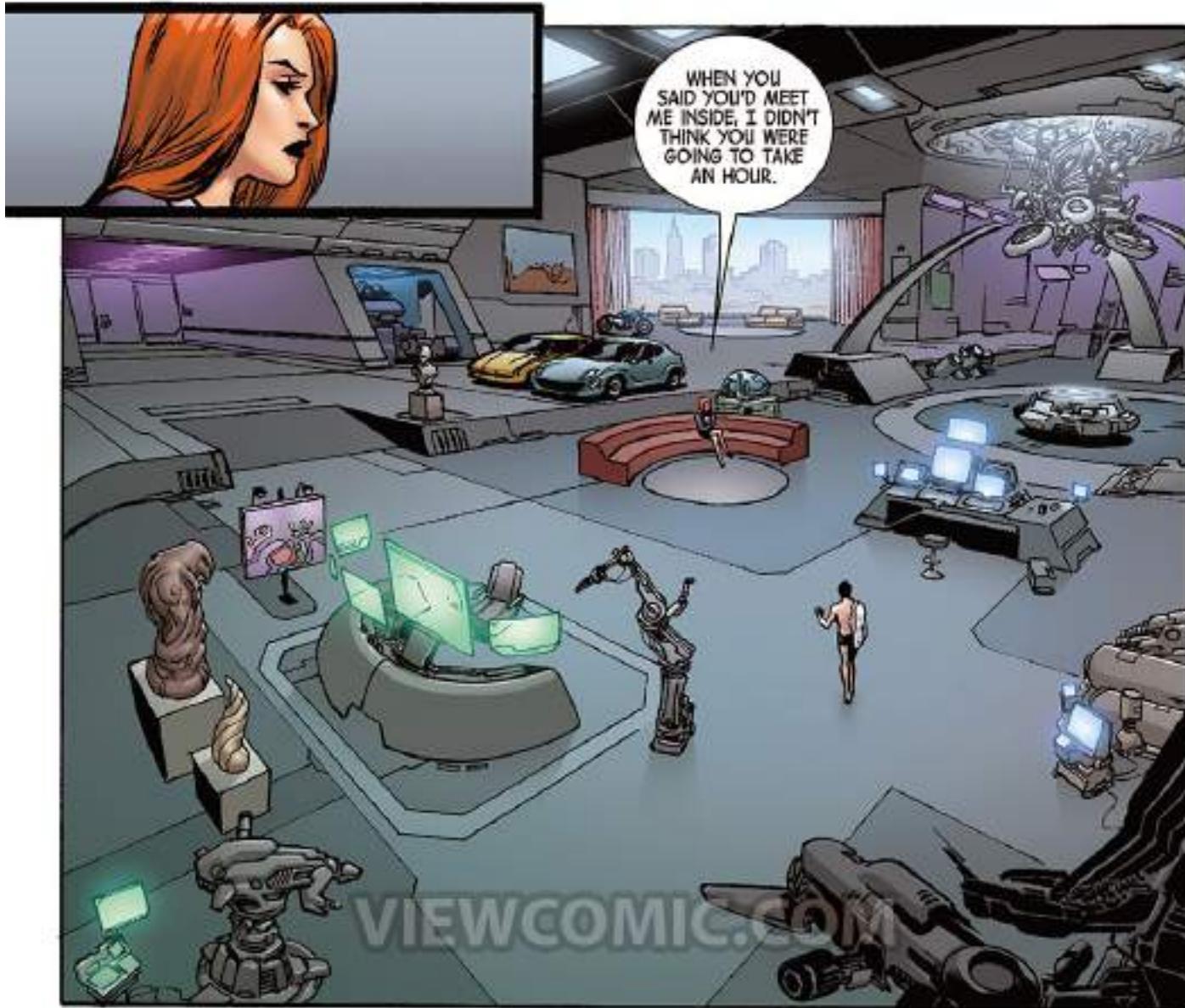
WE
NEED TO
TALK.

FOUR
LITTLE
WORDS THAT
CAN RUIN
ANY DAY.

AND WE'RE
TALKING ABOUT
A DAY WHERE MY
HEAD WAS BEATEN
OFF BY AN ACTUAL
MONSTER.

NOW.

I'LL
MEET YOU
INSIDE.







I WILL
BLEMISH THE
ABSOLUTE HELL
OUT OF YOU IF YOU
TOUCH HER
AGAIN.

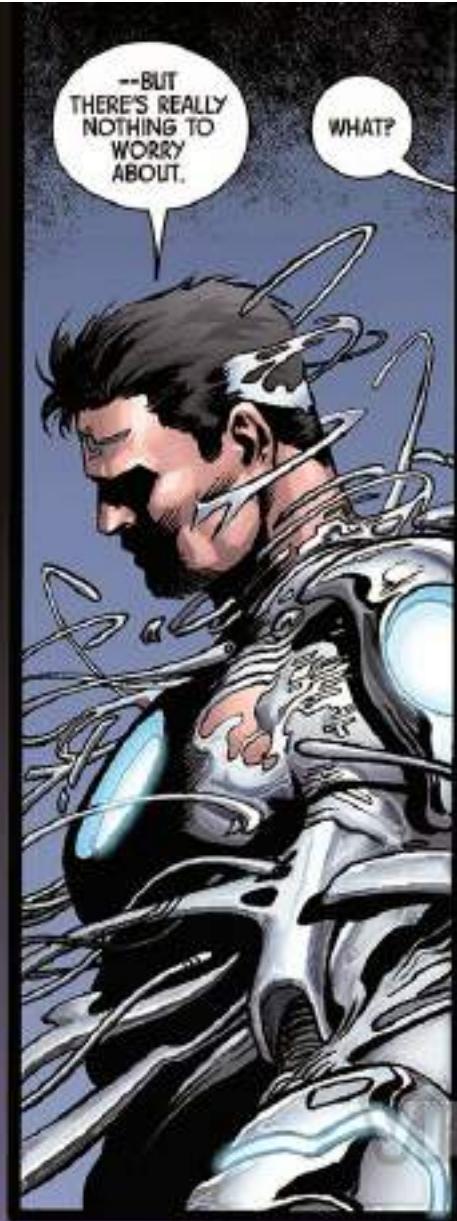
JUST ONCE
I'D LIKE TO
MEET A NICE
MOB.

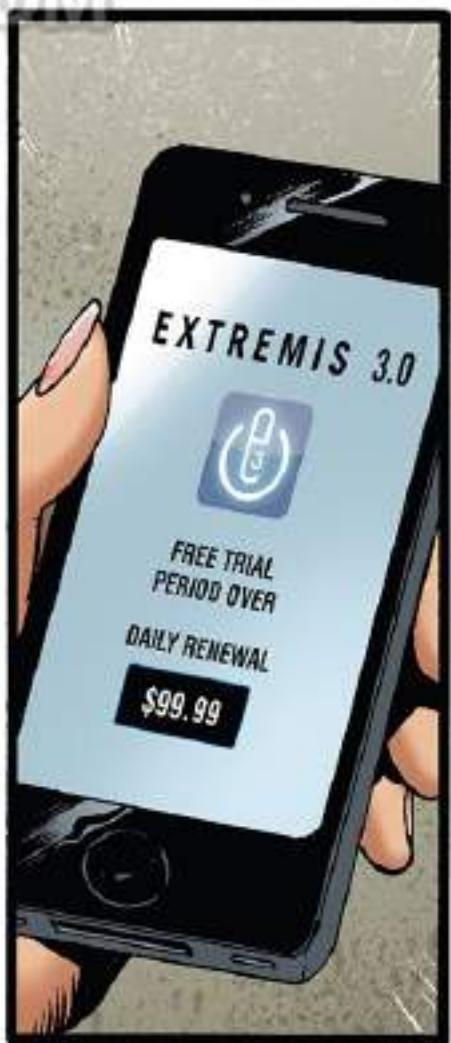
IS THAT
TOO MUCH
TO ASK?

JUST A
LARGE GROUP OF
PEOPLE WHO COME
TOGETHER WITH FIRE
AND PITCHFORKS AND
STORM AN ORPHANAGE
WITH SOFT TOYS AND
A PROMISE OF A
BETTER LIFE.

DAREDEVIL!







DO YOU
HAVE ANY IDEA
WHAT THEY'LL DO
TO GET THAT
BACK?



I WANT
TO WATCH.



"YOU WARNED
ME--"





...THIS
IS WHAT WE
PLANNED
FOR.

TO BE CONTINUED...

Tony Stark gifted a new Extremis app to the people of San Francisco. Perfection--downloadable through any smart phone.

Those who couldn't afford it were desperate to get it back, and desperate people--



But it wasn't a gift. It was just a taste.

He tore it away, and he made his utopia prohibitively expensive.

DON'T SCREAM.





*Stark Island.
Formerly
Alcatraz.*

I guess it's fitting
that Tony chose the
former home to
criminals for his new
base of operations.

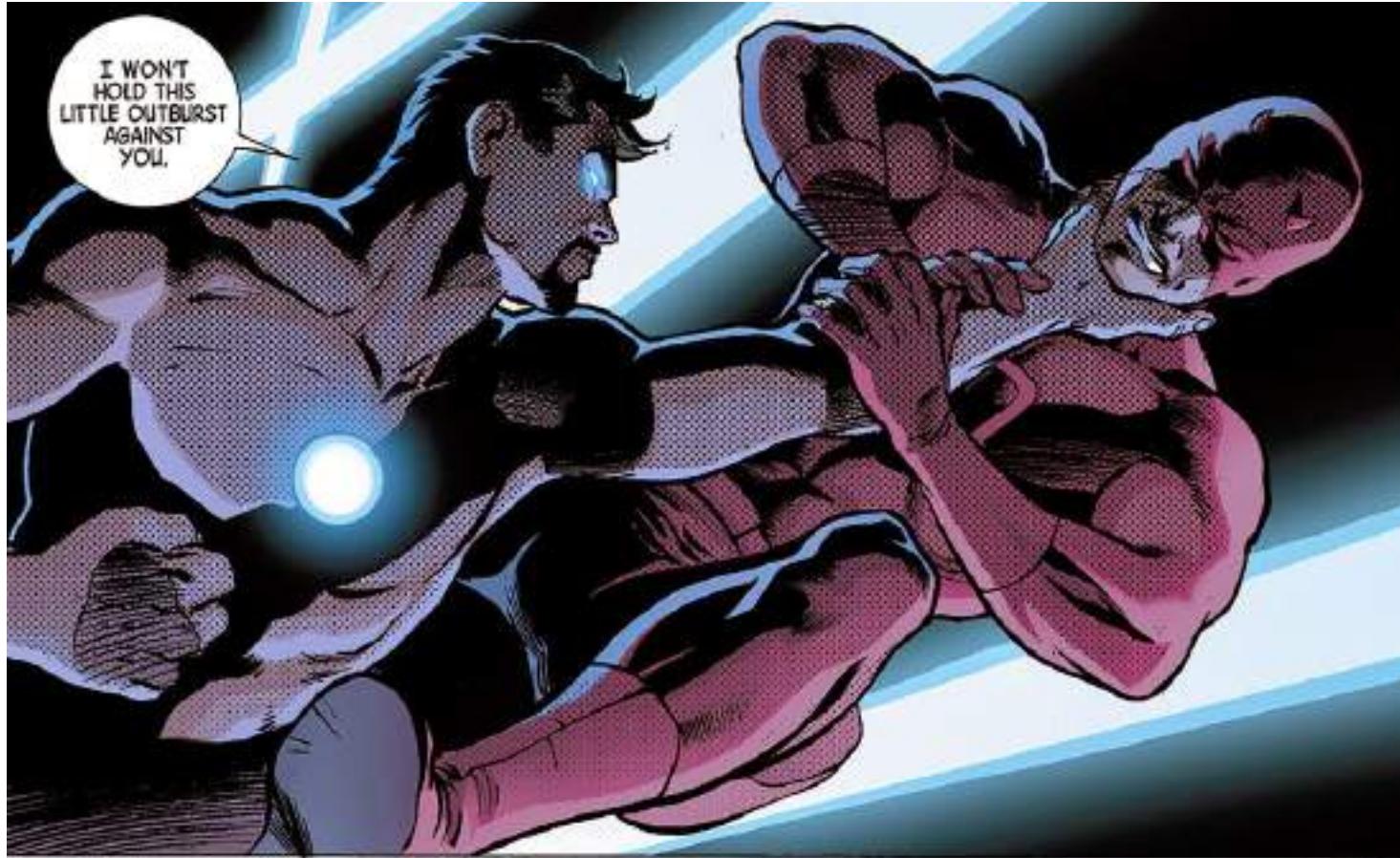
Because he's
holding the entire
city ransom.

STARK

GOT
SOME
BAD NEWS,
STARK—

--I'M
SHUTTING
YOU DOWN.

I WON'T HOLD THIS LITTLE OUTBURST AGAINST YOU.



YOU KNOW YOU'RE ALWAYS WELCOME, BUT IF YOU DO COME BACK...





I hate the sea.
It's one of the
places where my
radar sense is
useless.



Amplified sound
with no direction,
No sense of smell.
No touch.

Nature's sensory
deprivation tank.



And from the height I've
just fallen from, I have no
idea how deep I am.

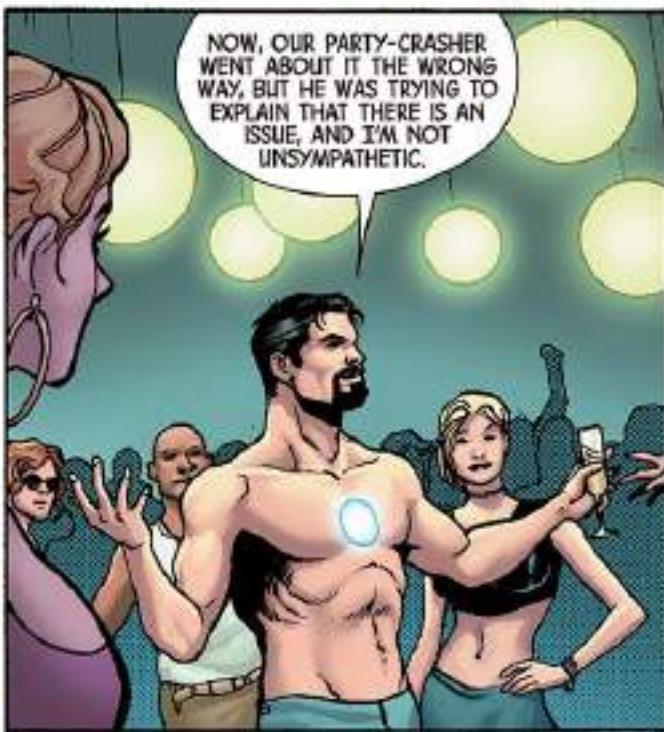
The only way
to know which
way is up is from
the decreasing
pressure on my
eardrums.

A close-up of a hand reaching out of the water. The fingers are spread, and small bubbles are clinging to the skin.

But I'm not
thinking about
that.

All of my abilities have
been replaced by wild
thrashing while my brain
screams "Don't drown."

A close-up of a hand reaching out of the water, similar to the previous panel. The fingers are clenched, and bubbles are around them.











...SIMON.

AH, I
CAN SEE WHY
YOU'RE SO
CONCERNED.

A COUPLE
OF DAYS AGO, HE
HELD A WOMAN AT
GUNPOINT, SHE POSTED
AN IMAGE ONLINE AND
IT'S SPREADING FAST
ACROSS ALL SOCIAL
NETWORKS.

SIMON
LOOKS SCARED
IN THIS
PHOTO.

I CAN
SEE THE FAMILY
RESEMBLANCE.

WHAT?

YOU'RE GOING
TO COME BACK
DOWN THERE WITH ME.
WE'RE GOING TO TELL
PEOPLE IT WAS ALL PART
OF THE SHOW. YOU'RE
GOING TO BE VERY
QUIET AND SMILE
VERY WIDE.

AND
YOU'RE
GOING TO
DOWNLOAD
YOUR FREE
EXTREMIS.

NO...
PLEASE,
I DON'T
WANT--

DAVID.
BE SMART.
THERE'S NO
OTHER WAY
OUT OF
THIS.

YOU'VE
JUST TRIED
TO KILL ME IN FRONT
OF THOUSANDS OF
PEOPLE, AND THEIR
CAMERAS. YOUR SON
IS IN TROUBLE. I CAN
MAKE THAT SITUATION
MUCH WORSE
FOR HIM.

ALSO--





NOWHERE.

HNG



MATT?

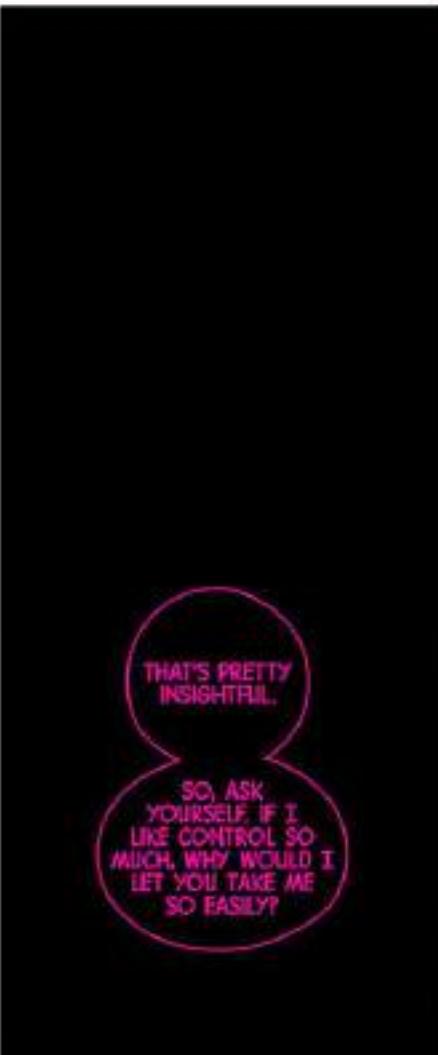
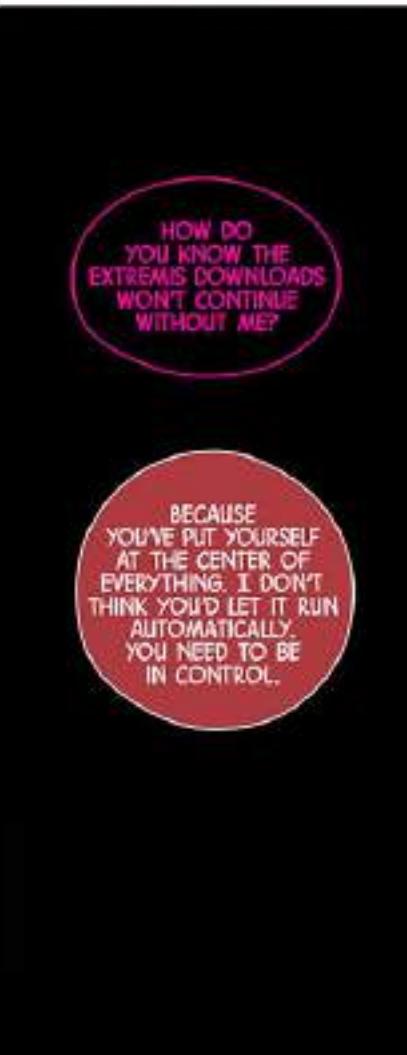
YOU'RE
DISCONNECTED.

A SMALL
E.M.P.

WE'RE DEEP
UNDERGROUND AND
SHIELDED. NO SIGNAL
IS GETTING IN OR OUT
OF HERE. NO LOCATING
DEVICES CAN TRACK YOU
HERE. YOUR ARMOR
ISN'T COMING
FOR YOU.

WHO?
WHAT DO YOU
WANT?

I WANT
TO KNOW HOW
MUCH OF YOU
IS STILL IN
THERE.



YOU THINK
I DIDN'T SCAN
FOR YOU IN
THE CROWD
YESTERDAY?

YOU
HONESTLY
THINK I DIDN'T
KNOW YOU'D
COME FOR ME
AGAIN?



BEING BLIND, YOU MAY NOT
UNDERSTAND THAT I SEE
EVERYTHING.

TAKING OUT
THE ELECTRONICS.
REMOVING ME FROM
ALL SIGNALS. THAT
WAS VERY
CLEVER.

BUT IT'S NOT
JUST ELECTRIC SIGNALS
ANYMORE. TECHNOLOGY
HAS TO MOVE BEYOND THAT.

SYMBIOTIC
BIOLOGICAL
TECHNOLOGY.

IT'S GOT
A LITTLE
BIT OF ME
IN IT.

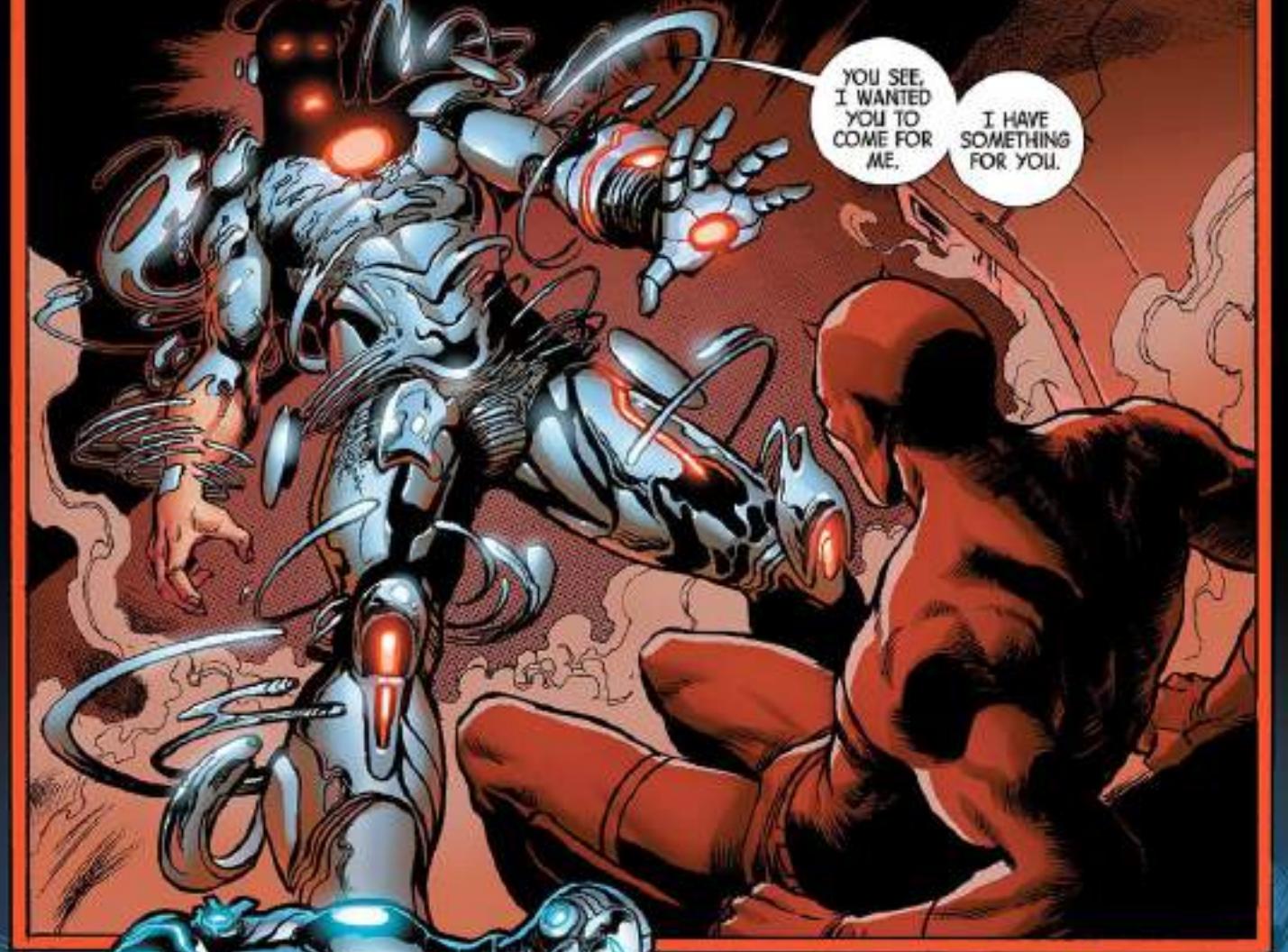
IT'S ALIVE,
MATT.

I CAN
FEEL IT.



KNOOOOOOOOO



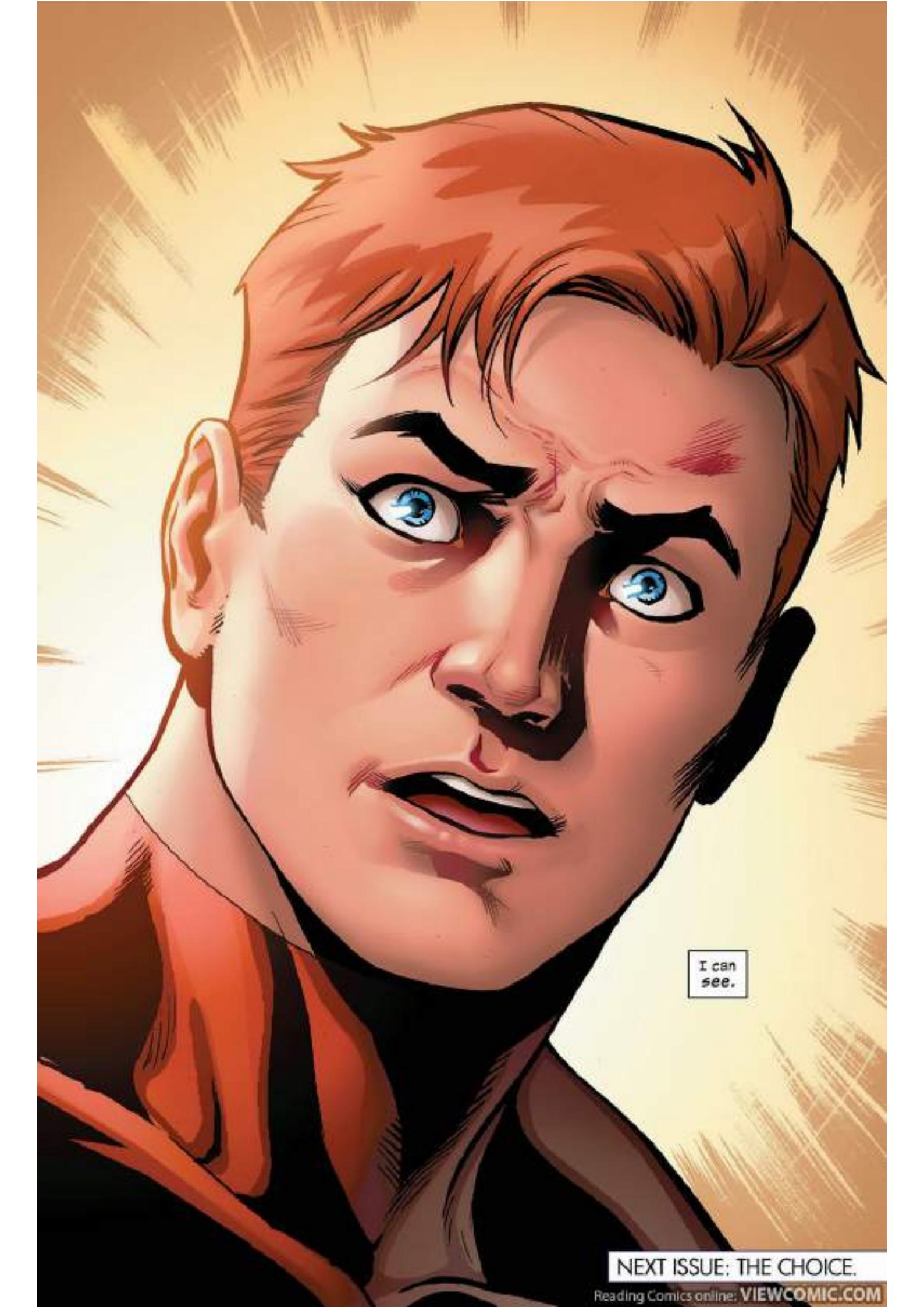


YOU SEE,
I WANTED
YOU TO
COME FOR
ME.

I HAVE
SOMETHING
FOR YOU.







I can
see.

NEXT ISSUE: THE CHOICE.

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I KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE
THINKING.

YOU'RE A
VERY LUCKY
MAN, MATT
MURDOCK.

YOU
GET TO SEE
AGAIN.

AND
THE FIRST
FACE YOU GET
TO SEE IS THIS
ONE.





MATT, YOU'RE SEEING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A VERY LONG TIME. STOP OVERTHINKING THINGS AND TAKE A MOMENT TO ENJOY THIS.

HAVE A DRINK WITH ME.

WHAT GIVES YOU THE RIGHT?

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT? I GIVE YOU SIGHT AND YOU--

WHAT GIVES YOU THE RIGHT TO PLAY GOD?

PLEASE, BEING A GOD CAN'T BE TOO HARD. I MEAN, IF THOR CAN DO IT...

YOU THINK THIS IS A JOKE?

I'M THE MOST INTELLIGENT, CAPABLE PERSON ON THE PLANET.

I'M NOT PLAYING GOD.

ALL THIS TIME...

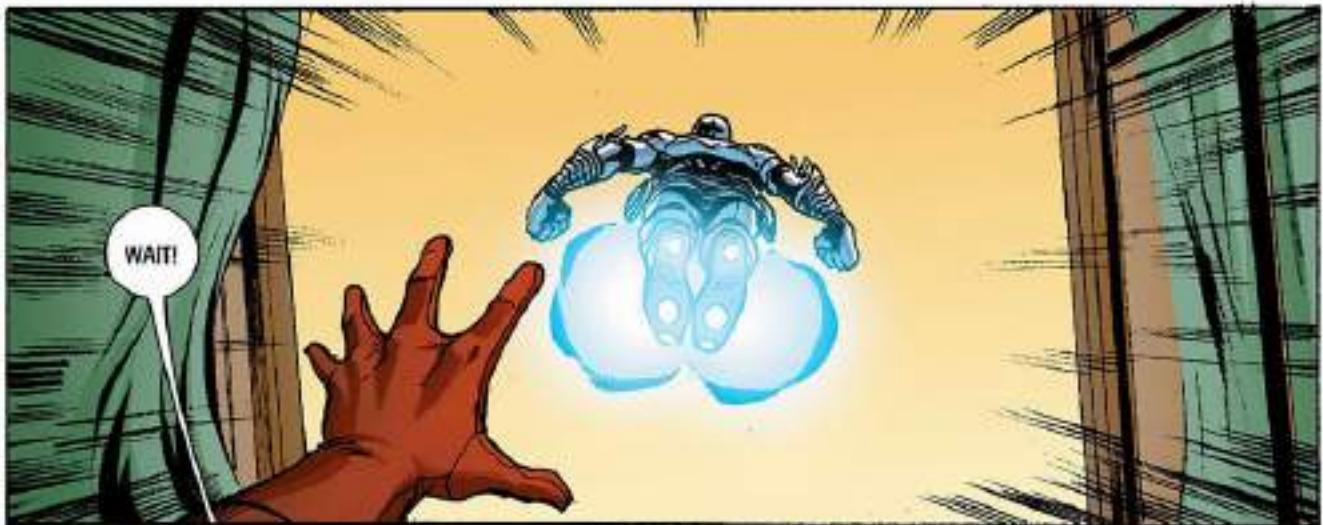
I'VE BEEN PLAYING HUMAN.











THE NEW
STARK ISLAND.
ALCATRAZ.



NAARGH!

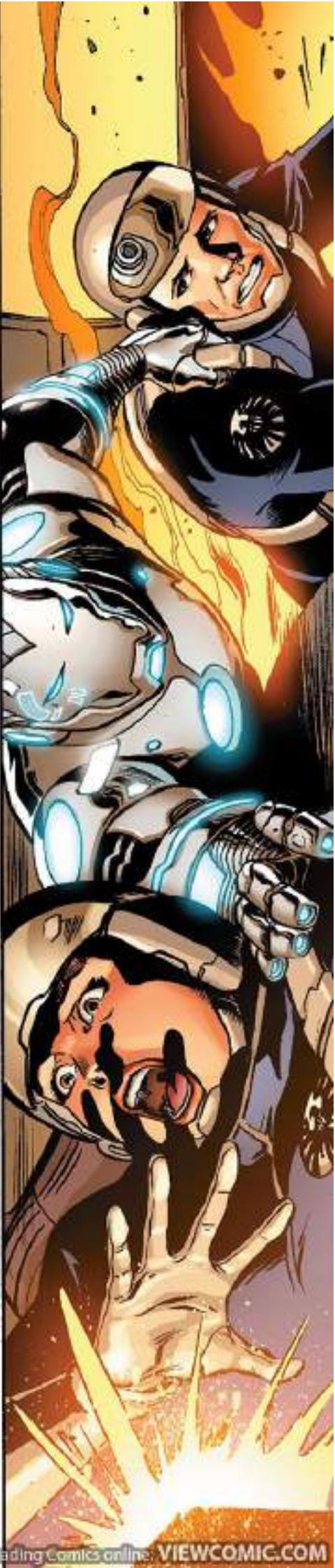
DAKKADAKKADAKKADAKKA



DAKKADAKKADAKKADAKKA















**KNOCK
KNOCK**

Hi, Foggy.

MATT?
WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOUR
FACE?

NOTHING
OUT OF THE
ORDINARY.

BUT I LIKE
THAT YOU STILL
ASK. ALL THESE YEARS
OF FIGHTING BAD GUYS IN
ALLEYS AND YOU'RE STILL
WORRIED WHEN I LOOK
LIKE I'VE BEEN FIGHTING
BAD GUYS IN
ALLEYS.

IS
SOMETHING
WRONG?

NO, I
JUST...







"--IRON SIGHT."

"A NETWORK OF DRONE CAMERAS, DESIGNED TO PROTECT ALL OF YOU, IS SPREADING THROUGHOUT THE CITY AS I SPEAK."

WHEN USERS DOWNLOADED THE FREE EXTREMIS APP, YOUR DATA WAS uploaded TO THE IRON SIGHT SECURITY DATABASE.

THE DATABASE KNOWS YOUR ONLINE HABITS, YOUR MOVEMENTS, YOUR LOCATION AND WHO YOU INTERACT WITH.

FRANCHISE!

"AND, THANKS TO INFORMATION GATHERED BY YOUR PHONE CAMERAS AND ACCELEROMETERS, THE DRONES HAVE ALMOST INFALLIBLE FACIAL AND GAIT RECOGNITION."

IDENTIFIED:
MASON THOMAS.

"IF YOU HAVE TOUCHED A PHONE OR TABLET, THE IRON SIGHT DRONES KNOW EXACTLY WHO YOU ARE."

IDENTIFIED:
CLAIRE MOONEY.

IDENTIFIED:
DANIEL HALL.

TO ANY WHO WOULD HARM ANOTHER CITIZEN, THERE IS NOWHERE FOR YOU TO HIDE.

SAN FRANCISCO IS NOW A CRIME-FREE ZONE.

I missed something.

Something on Canton Street, when Stark was distributing his free Extremis.

IDENTIFIED:
MATTHEW MURDOCK,
A.K.A. DAREDEVIL.
TRACK AND FLAG.

HOSTILE ACTION
DETECTED. EVADE.



I was listening to Tony manipulate that poor father.

But there was another sound. A wave of sound.

Almost inaudible, even to me.

Something I've never heard before.

The sound of all of those people downloading Extremis.

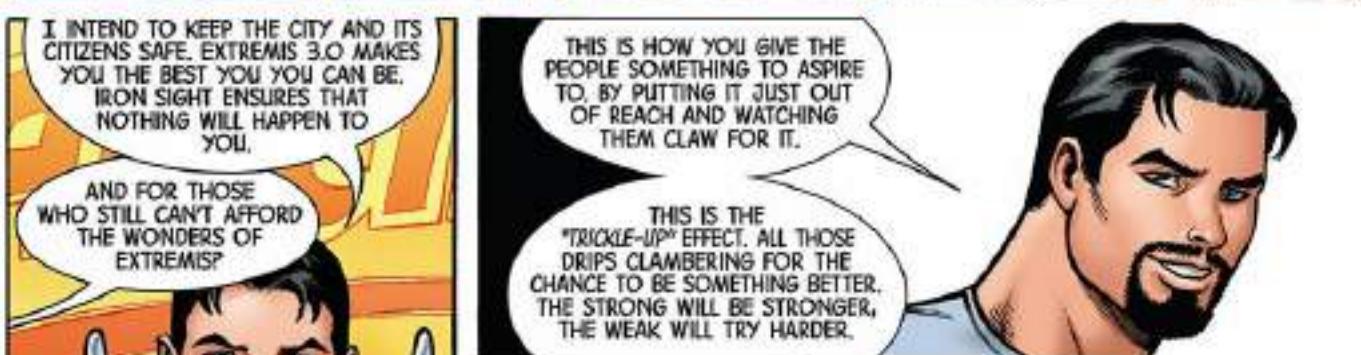


MATTHEW MURDOCK--

--YOU HAVE DESTROYED AN IRON SIGHT DRONE. THIS IS YOUR FIRST WARNING.

NO LEGAL ACTION WILL BE PENDING AT THIS STAGE, BUT A BILL HAS BEEN SENT TO YOUR HOME. YOU ARE BOUND TO PAY THIS WITHIN--









MARIA
HILL.



THE DIRECTOR OF S.H.I.E.L.D. DOESN'T HAVE TO COME ALL THE WAY OUT HERE. YOU COULD HAVE CALLED.
WE DID CALL, MANY, MANY TIMES, TONY.
THAT'S ENTIRELY POSSIBLE. I ACTUALLY HAVE NO IDEA WHO ANSWERS MY PHONE ANYMORE.



YOU BROUGHT A LOT OF GUNS AND SOLDIERS FOR A "TALK."



YOU ARE HARBORING THE FUGITIVE KNOWN AS TEEN ABOMINATION.



PLEASE DON'T SAY THAT NAME. IT'S AS RIDICULOUS AS IT IS ILL-CONCEIVED.















