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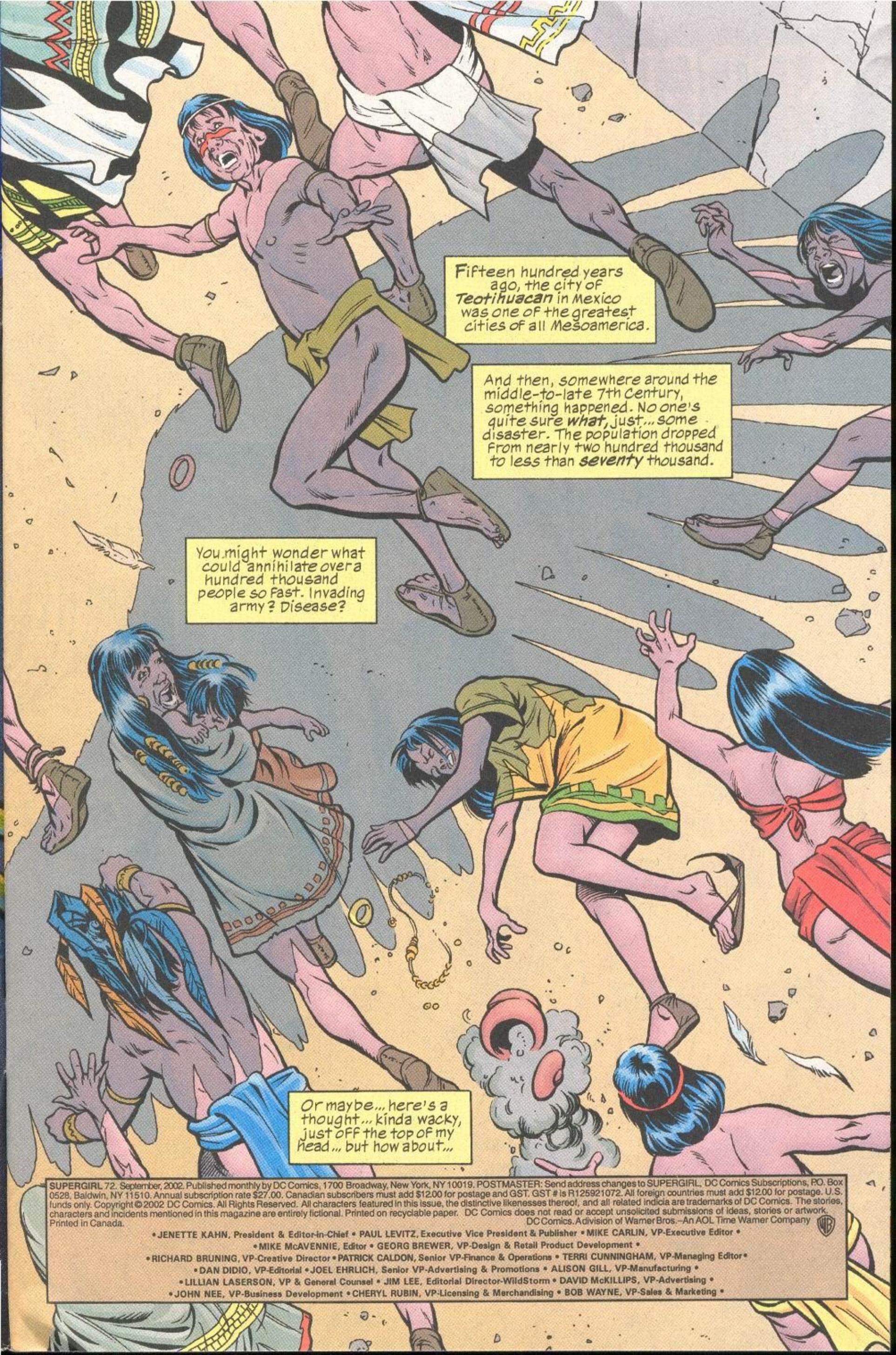
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Fifteen hundred years ago, the city of Teotihuacan in Mexico was one of the greatest cities of all Mesoamerica.

And then, somewhere around the middle-to-late 7th Century, something happened. No one's quite sure what, just... some disaster. The population dropped from nearly two hundred thousand to less than **seventy** thousand.

You might wonder what could annihilate over a hundred thousand people so fast. Invading army? Disease?

Or maybe... here's a thought... kinda wacky, just off the top of my head... but how about...

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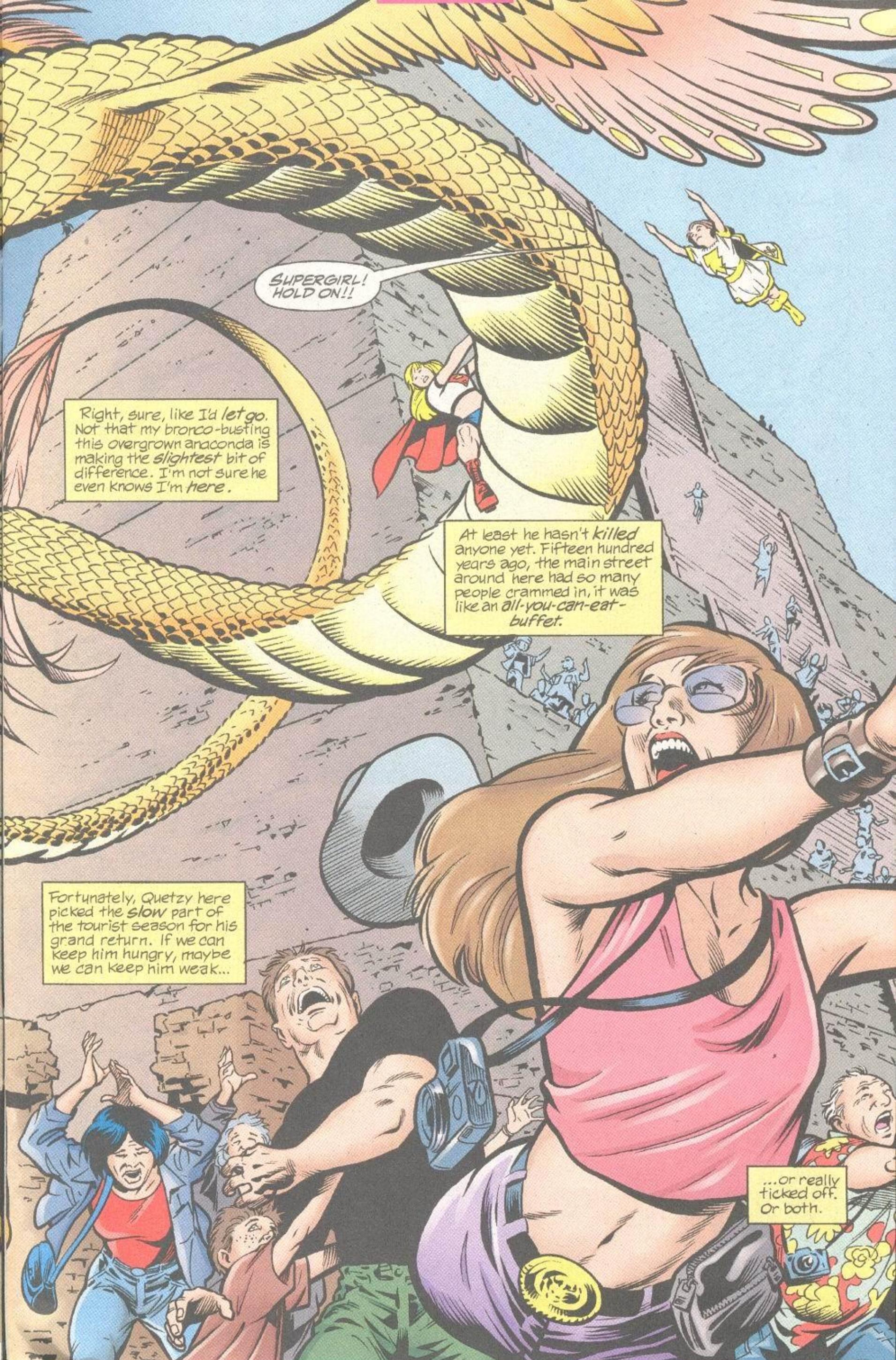
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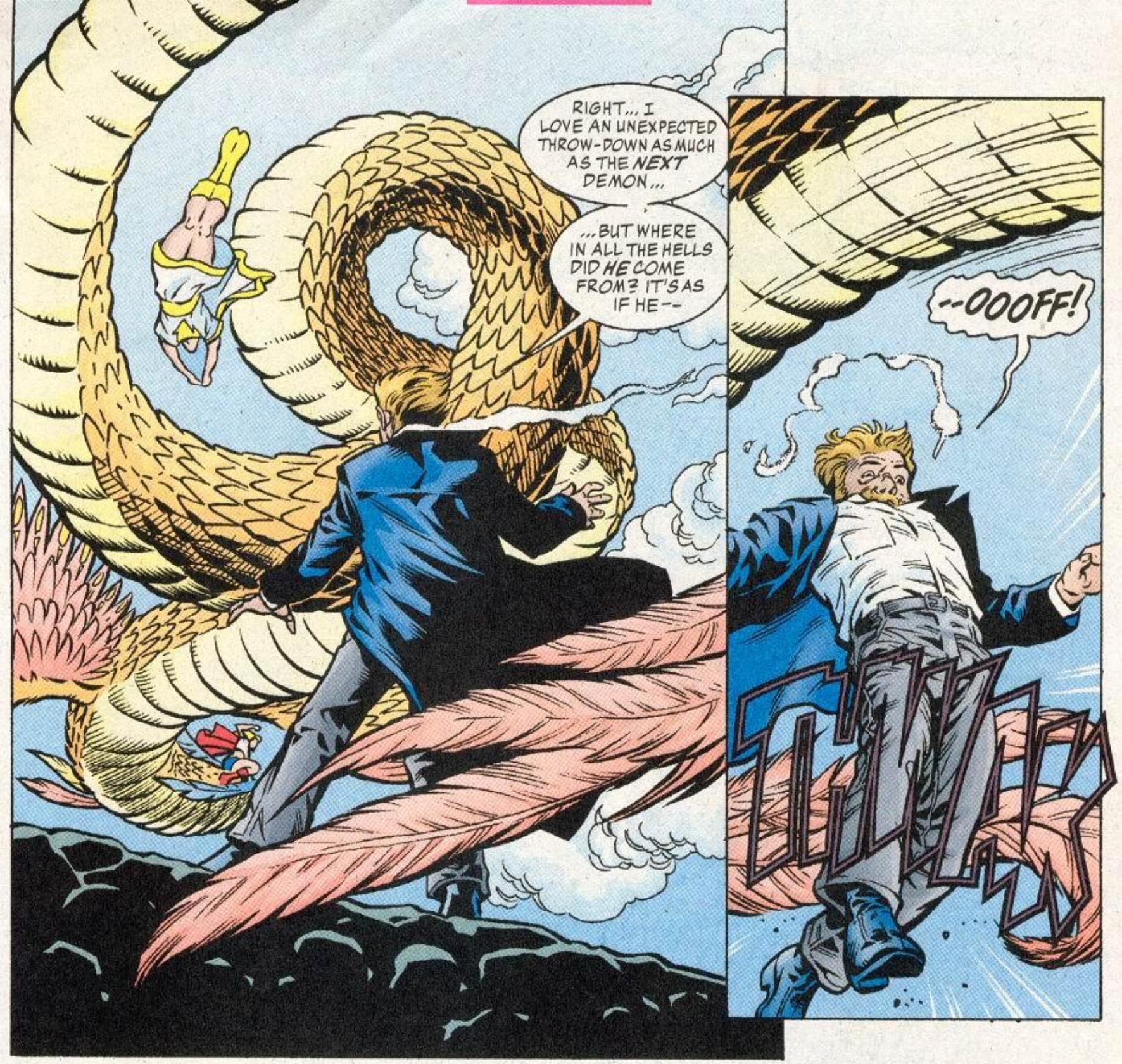
...a honkin' big flying serpent god called Quetzalcoatl, who not only tore up the city a millennium and a half ago...

...but now seems out for a repeat performance!





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BAALZEBUB?!

GREETINGS,  
MARCUS... OR "BUZZ,"  
AS I NAMED YOU.

IT HAS BEEN A  
WHILE, HAS IT NOT?  
OR AT LEAST A WHILE  
FOR YOU. AN EYEBLINK  
AS A LORD OF HELL  
WOULD MEASURE  
TIME.

BAALZEBUB... WHY  
HAST THOU FORSAKEN  
ME? WHY HAST THE LORD  
OF THE FLIES ALLOWED  
ME TO BE REDUCED TO THE  
WRETCHED STATE I  
PRESENTLY INHABIT?

YOU  
SPEAK RATHER  
PLAINTIVELY FOR  
ONE OF YOUR USUAL  
INSOUCIANCE.  
BETTER TO  
ASK...

... WHY HAVE  
YOU FORSAKEN ME?  
SET ASIDE MY INTERESTS  
TO SERVE THE CHAOS  
LORDS... AND THEN DEVELOP  
FEELINGS OF LOVE FOR A  
FORCE FOR GOOD, SUCH  
AS SUPERGIRL?

SO  
YOU  
SAY.  
MY BELOVED  
LILITH WOULD  
HAVE YOU AID HER IN  
HER... PROJECT. HER  
AGENTS HAVE ALREADY  
APPROACHED YOU. YET  
SUPPOSEDLY YOU  
WAVER.

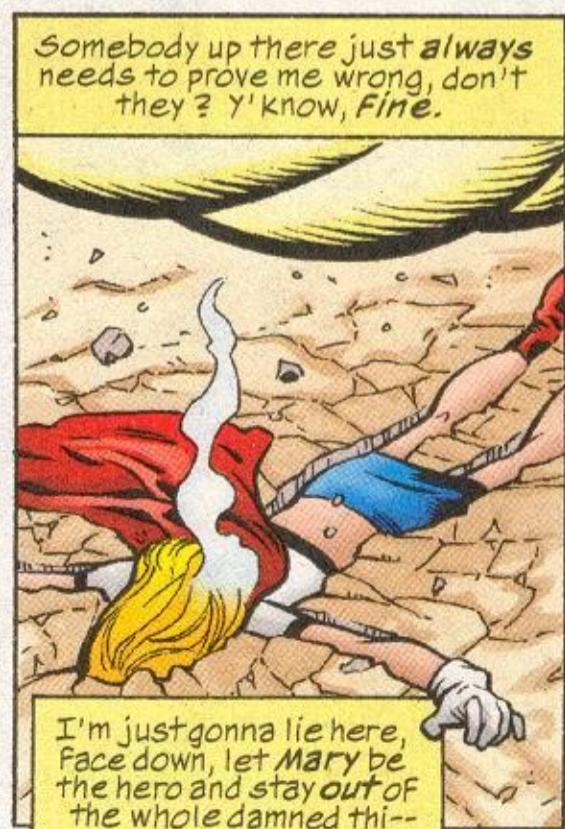
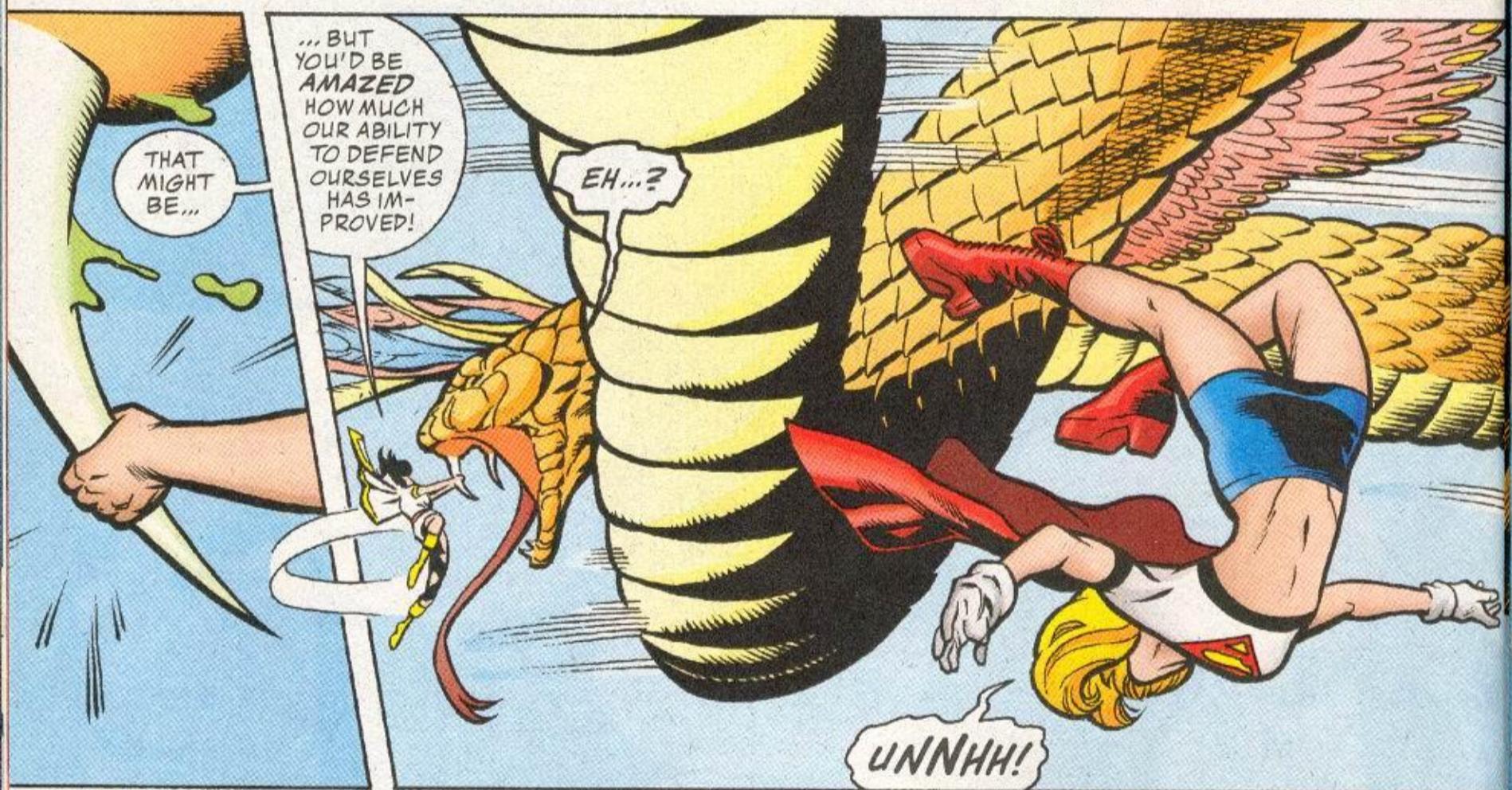
THOSE  
FEELINGS ARE  
GONE, LORD! I  
DON'T GIVE A  
TOSS ABOUT THE  
SILLY LITTLE  
BINT!

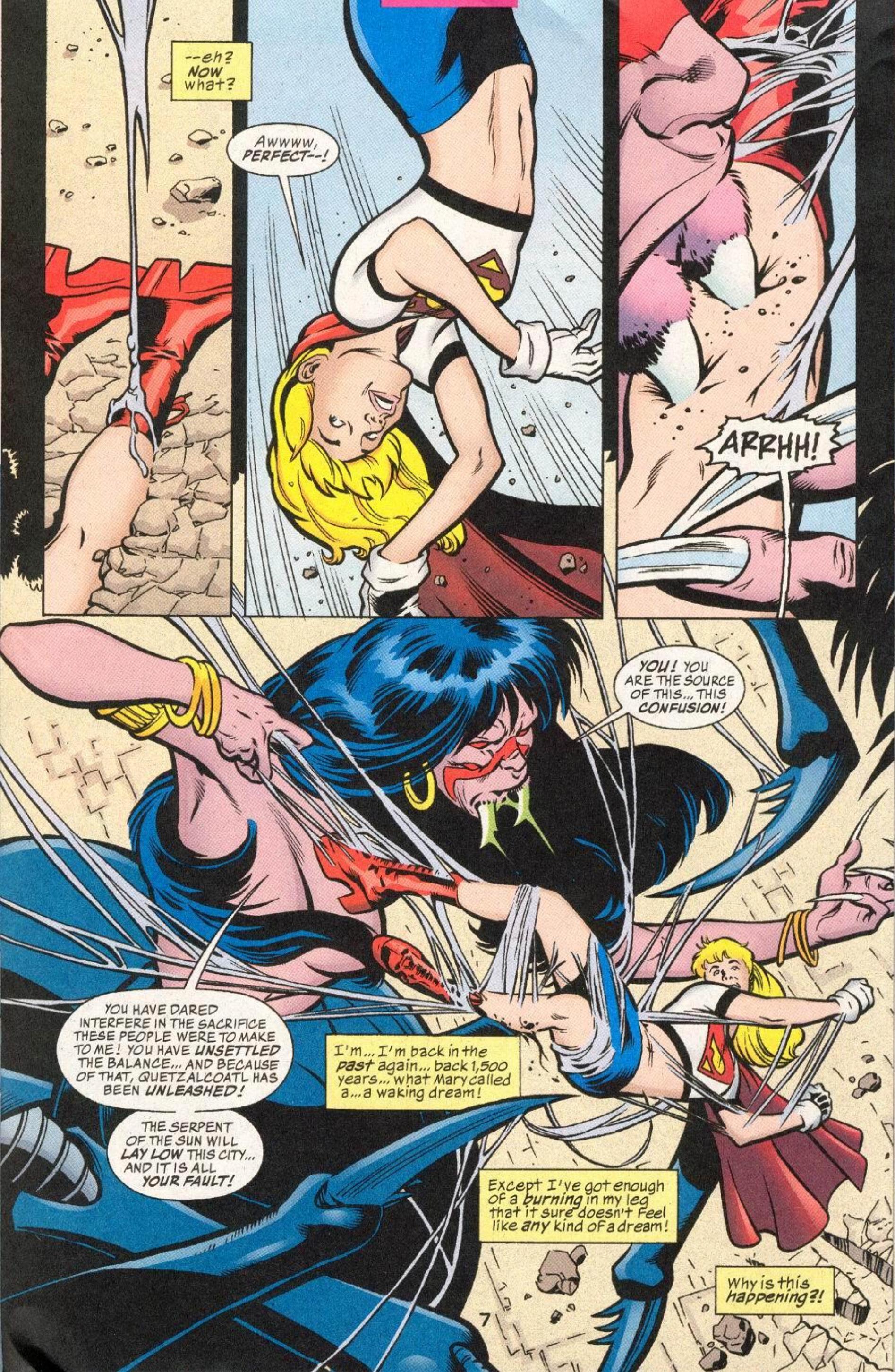
THAT'S NOT  
TRUE. I'M NOT  
WAVERING... JUST  
CONFUSED. ALLI-  
ANCES SEEM TO  
BE SHIFTING, AND  
NO ONE'S GIVEN  
ME SPECIFICS.

THIS... THIS  
REALITY BENDING...  
IS THAT PART OF THE  
PLAN? IS LILITH, THE  
DEMON MOTHER,  
CAUSING IT?

NO.

SUPERGIRL  
IS.





OF COURSE... THAT'S WHY IT'S HAPPENING!

IT'S BECAUSE OF HER! BECAUSE OF SUPERGIRL!

YES. SHE HAS SPENT SO MUCH TIME TRAILING THE CHAOS STREAM...

...THAT IT'S BEGIN TO AFFECT HER. IT'S INTERACTING WITH HER...

...WITH HER... WHAT? I MEAN, SHE'S LOST THE EARTH ANGEL ASPECT OF HER. SHE HAS NO ACCESS TO ANY SORT OF DIVINE POWER...

...DOES SHE?

THAT NEED NOT CONCERN YOU. ALL THAT MATTERS IS THAT YOU DO AS LILITH REQUIRES. SHE HAS PROMISED YOU THE EARTH ANGEL SUPERGIRL TO DO WITH AS YOU WISH, IF YOU COOPERATE.

BUT I PROMISE YOU MORE. A FULL REINSTATEMENT OF YOUR POWERS, AND ELEVATION IN STATUS. I EVEN HAVE A LEGION AWAITING YOUR COMMAND, SHOULD YOU COME THROUGH.

AN IRRESISTIBLE OFFER, LORD, AND ONE I GRATEFULLY ACCEPT.. WITH ONE PROVISO.

DICTATING TERMS TO HELL? THERE IS THE IMPERTINENCE I RECALL.

I SIMPLY REQUEST KNOWLEDGE, LORD. WHAT DOES THE DEMON MOTHER HOPE TO GAIN?

WHY, THE RESTORATION OF HER FAVORED SON...

...THE ONE CALLED CARNIVEAN. THE CARNIVORE.

HE WAS MY GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT, MY DEAR. A DEMON OF SUCH PERFECTION THAT THE PRESENCE ELEVATED HIM TO THE RANK OF ANGEL.

IT RESPECTED HIS POWER, IF NOT HIS POLITICS. OR PERHAPS THE PRESENCE WAS TAKEN BY THE CHALLENGE OF "REORIENTING" HIM.

AFTER ALL, WHEN ONE IS OMNIPOTENT, IT'S HARD TO FIND SUCH A THING AS A GENUINE CHALLENGE.

BUT MY CARNIVEAN, HE WAS ABLE TO SEE THE PRESENCE FOR WHAT IT WAS. HE TURNED AGAINST THE PRESENCE, AND THE PRESENCE, WELL ... IT NEVER APPRECIATED ANYONE WHO STOOD UP TO IT.

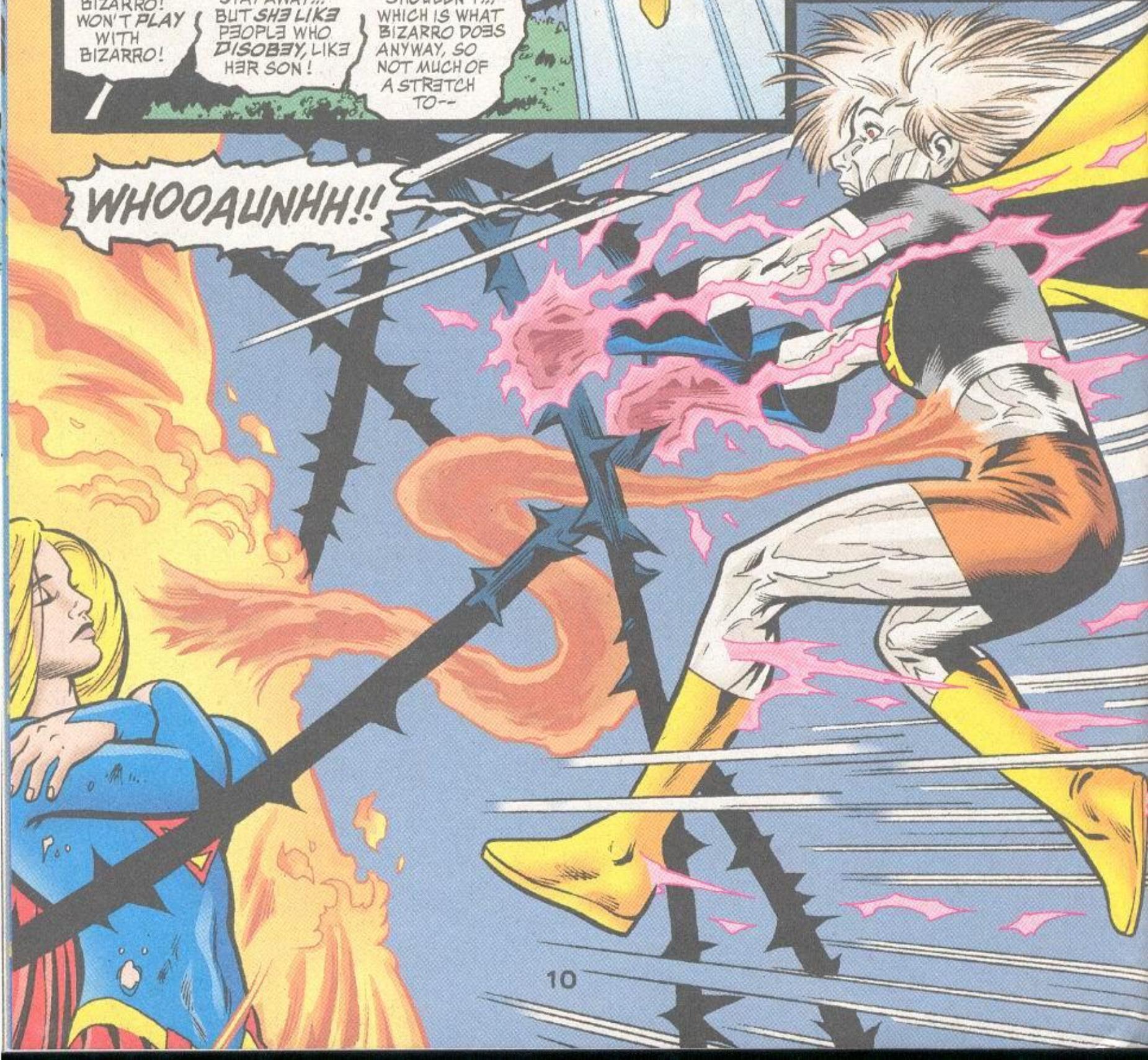
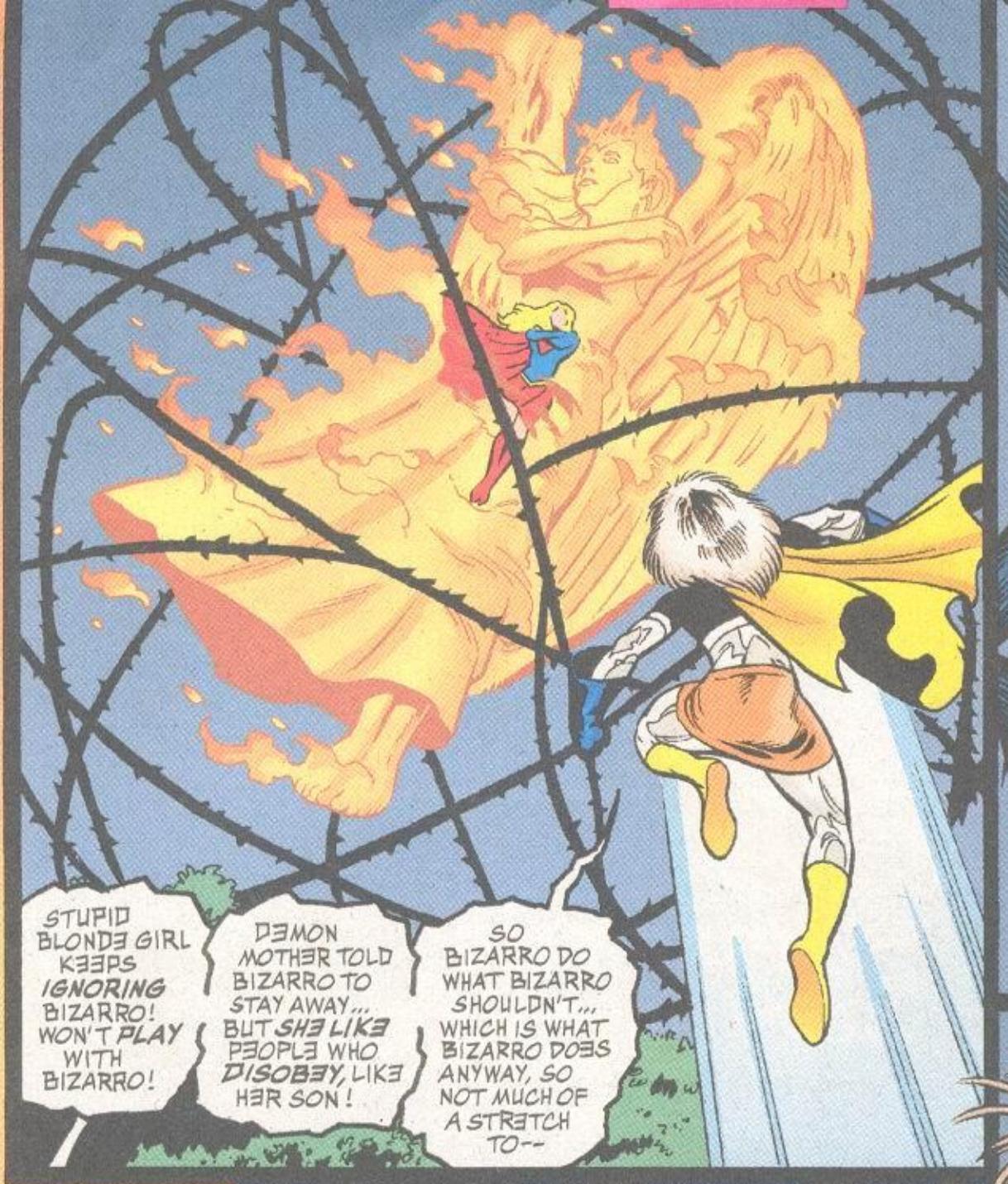
IT DOESN'T LIKE ANYONE ELSE TRYING TO BE ON TOP. INDEED, WHEN IT MOLDED ADAM IN ITS OWN IMAGE, IT TRANSFERRED SOME OF THAT ARROGANCE TO ITS CREATION.

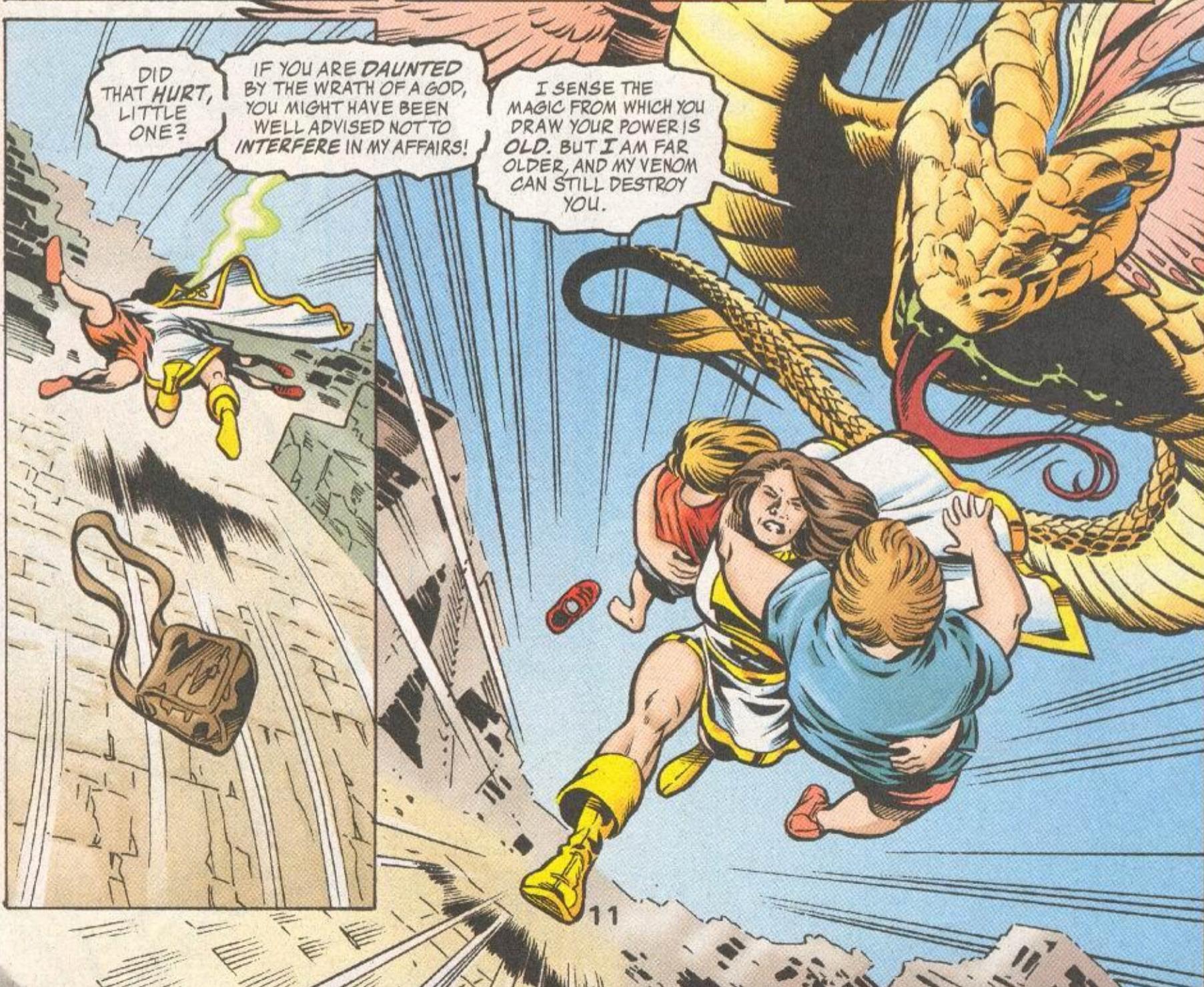
ONLY THE MOST SUBMISSIVE OF SOULS WILL DO.

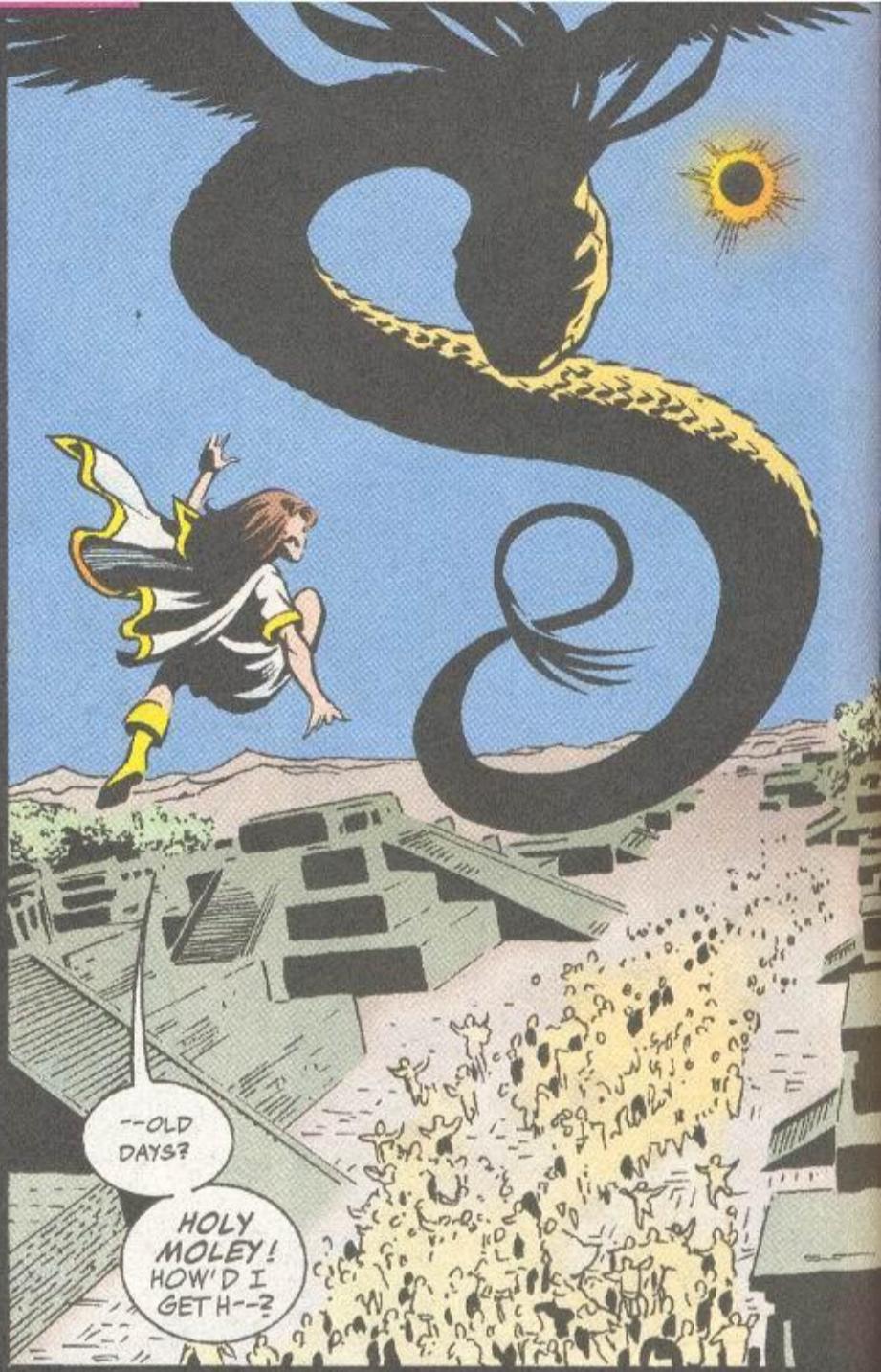
AND CARNIVEAN, LIKE HIS MOTHER, WAS NEVER MUCH FOR--

BIZARRO? MY CHILD, WHERE HAVE YOU GOT OFF TO--?

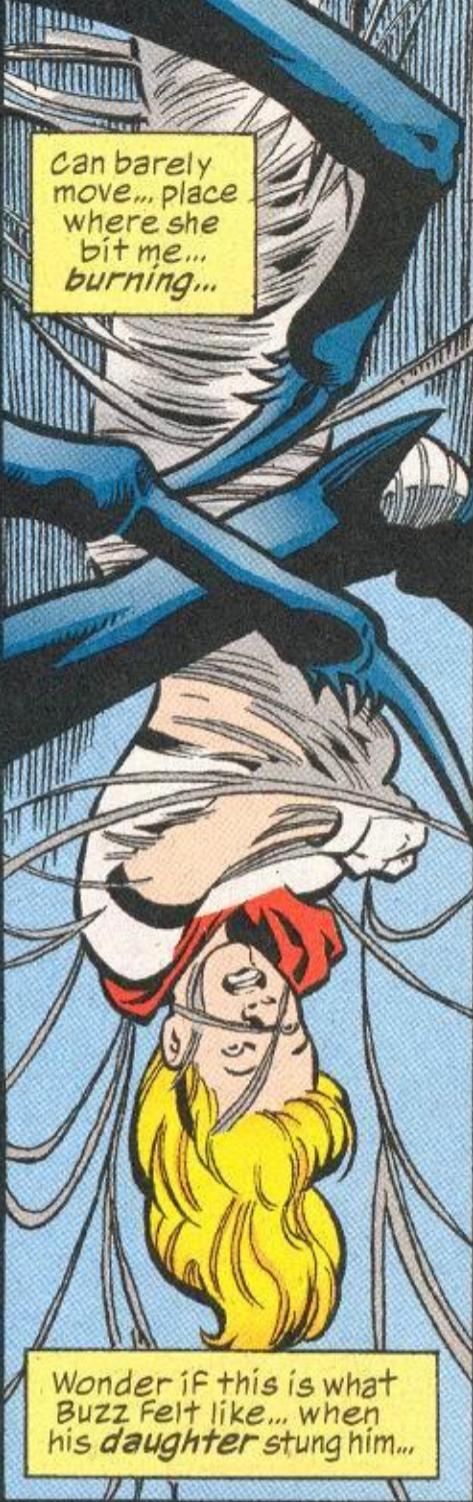
NO! I TOLD YOU TO STAY AWAY FROM HER!

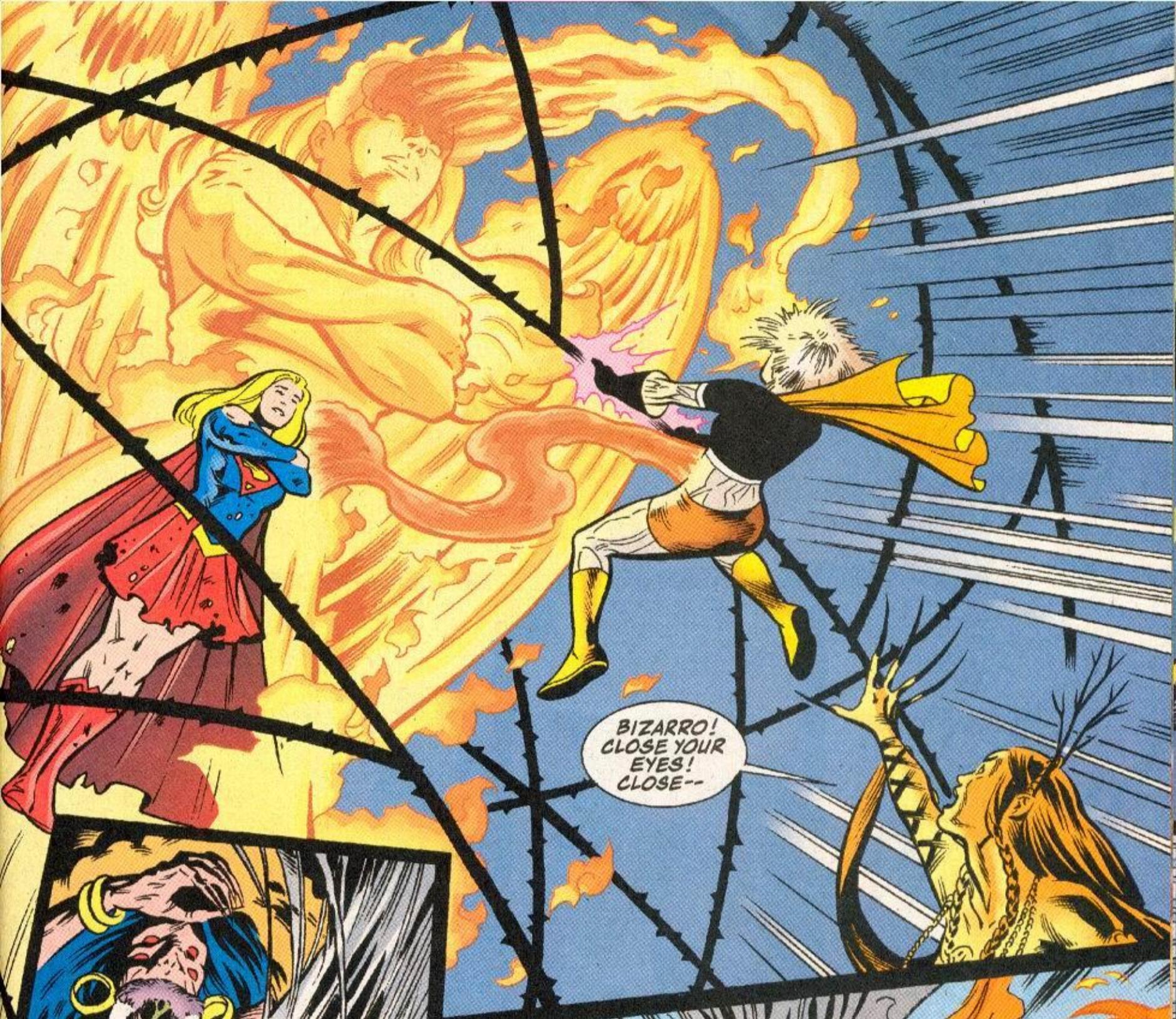


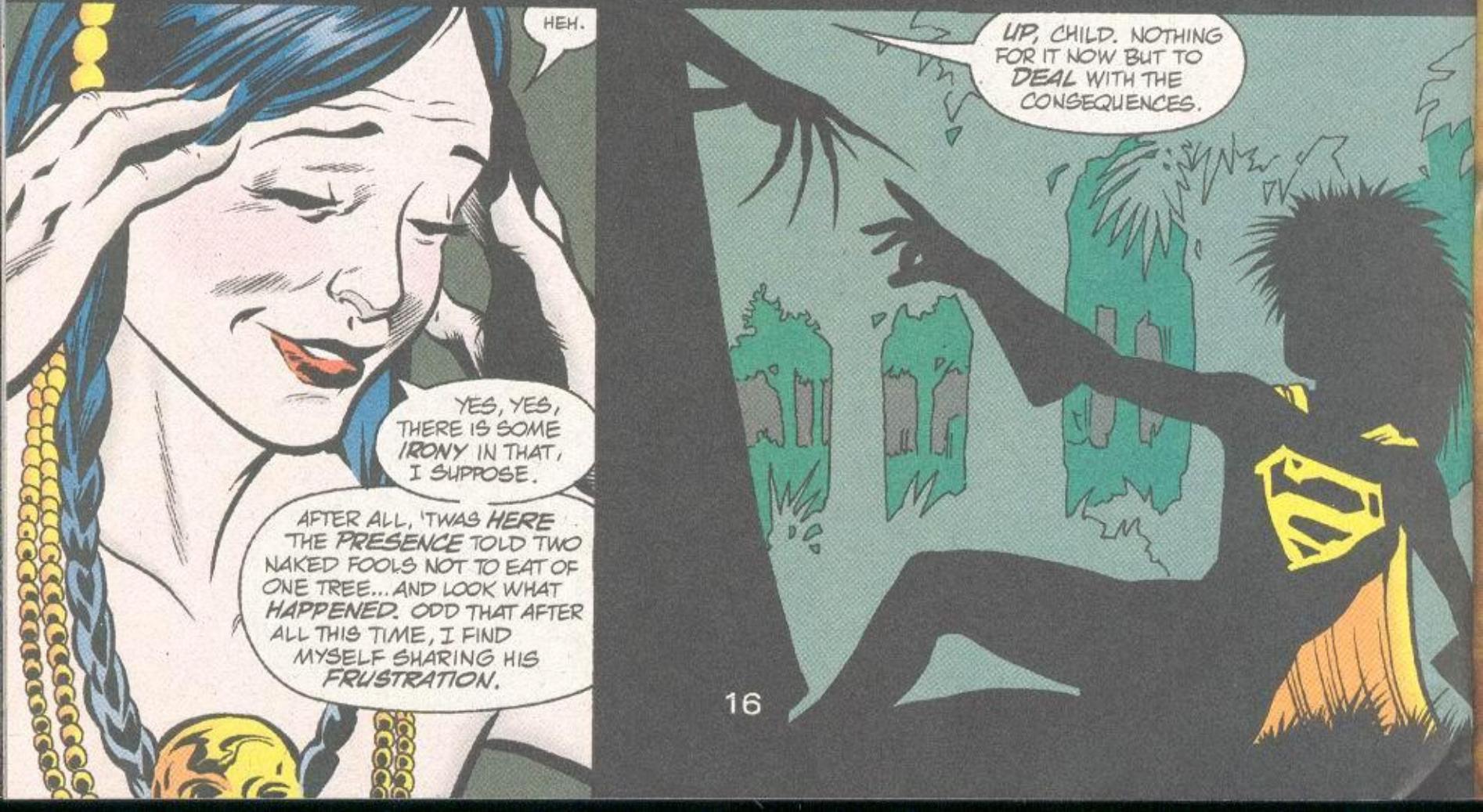


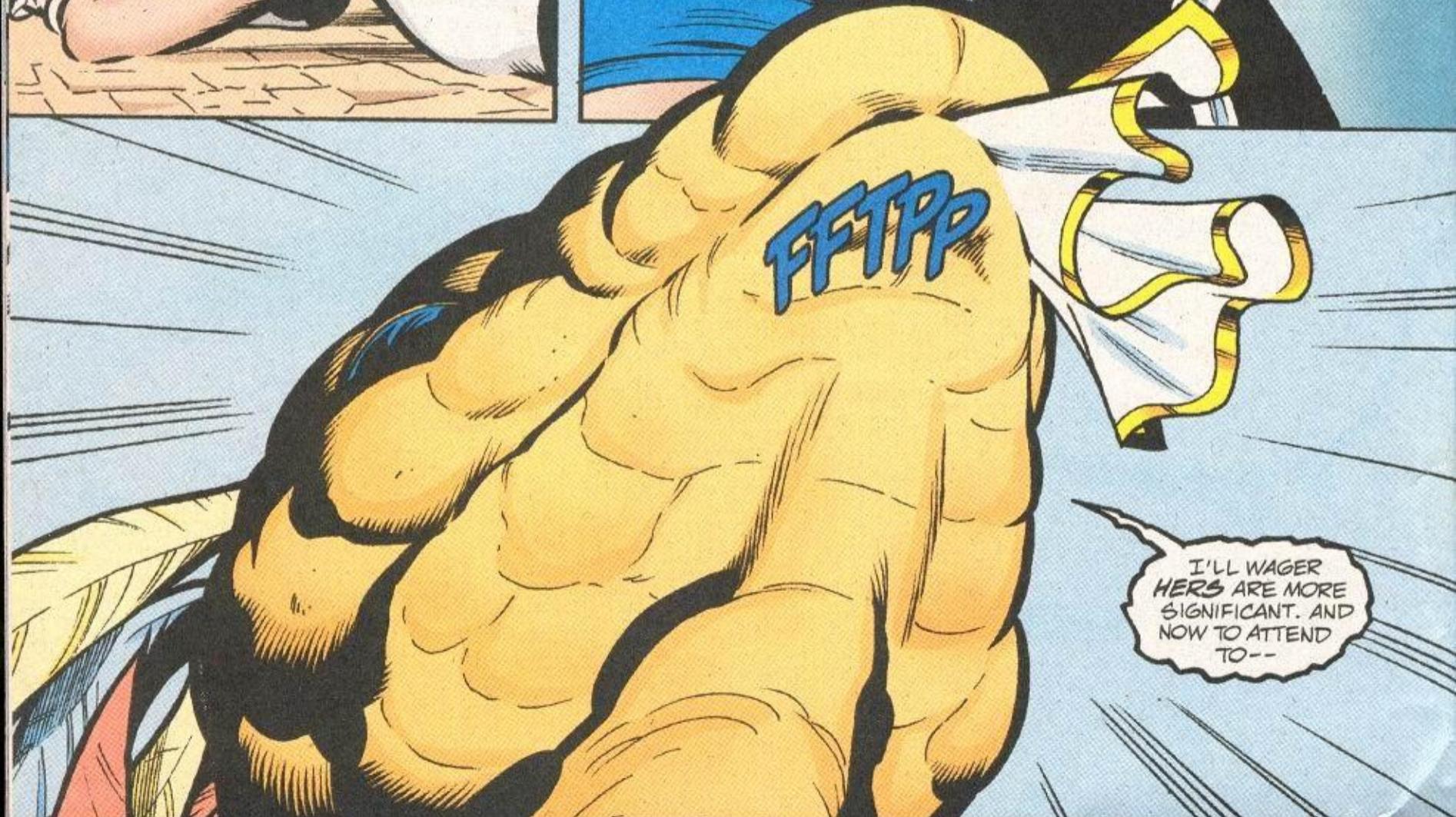
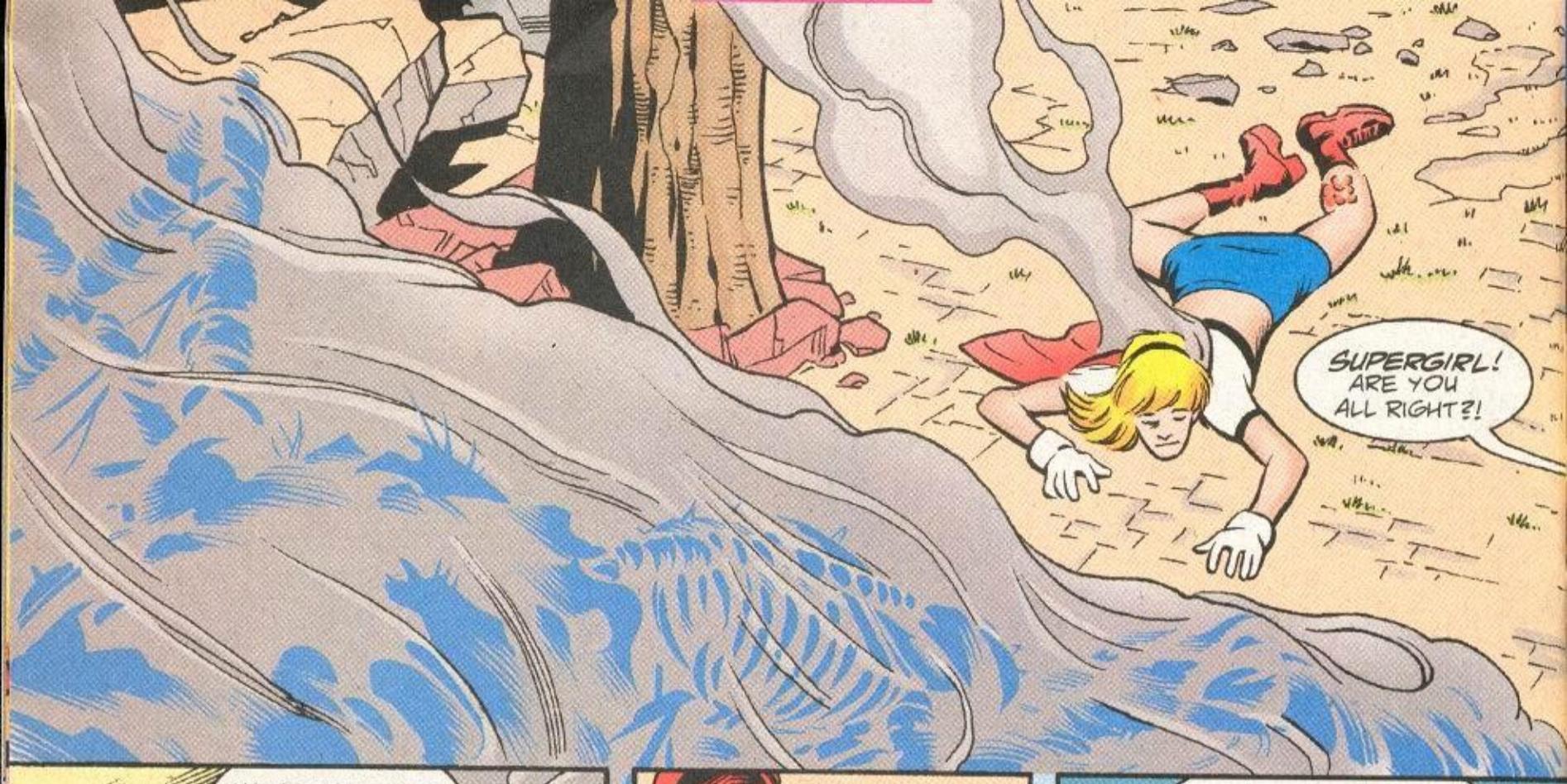




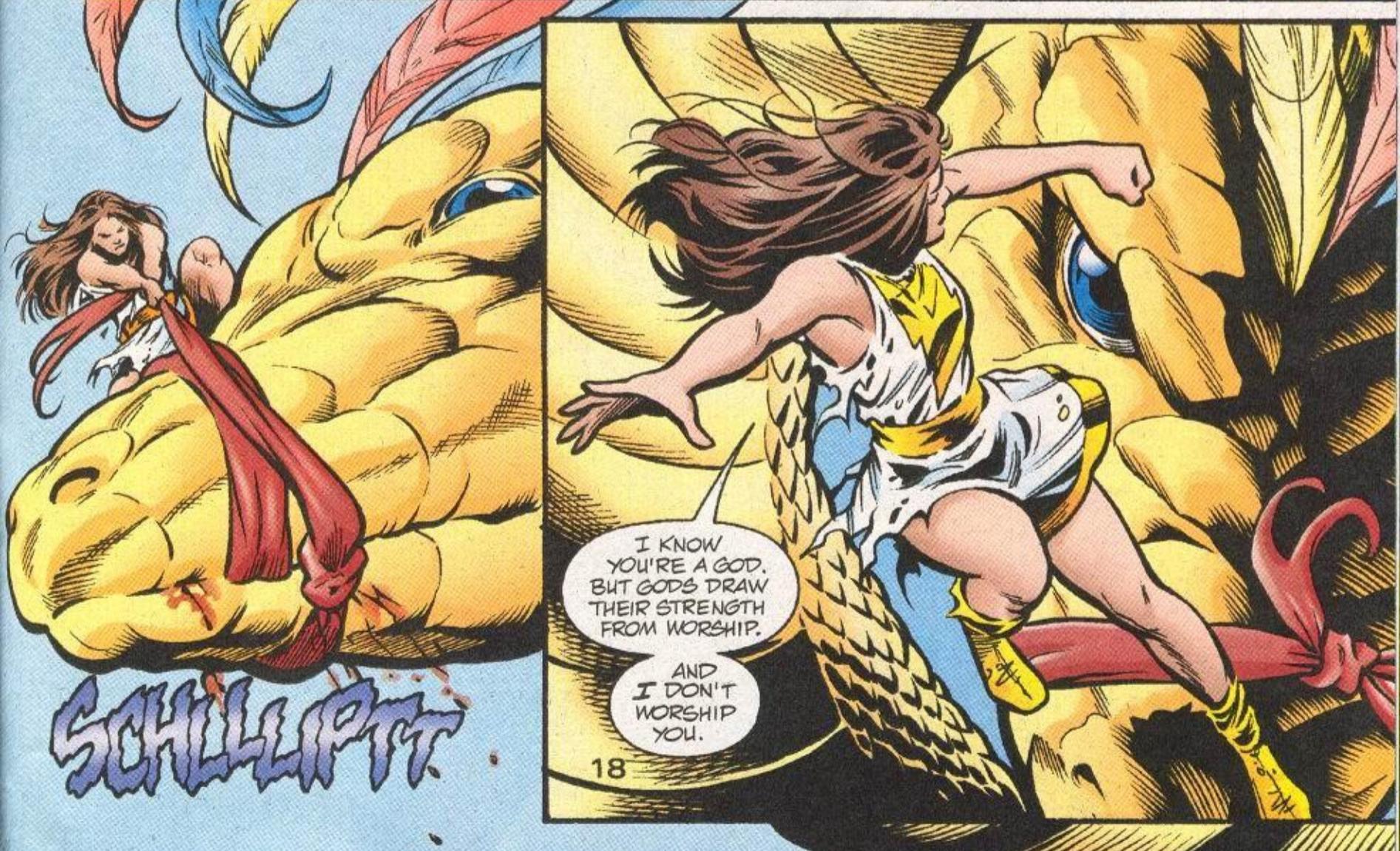
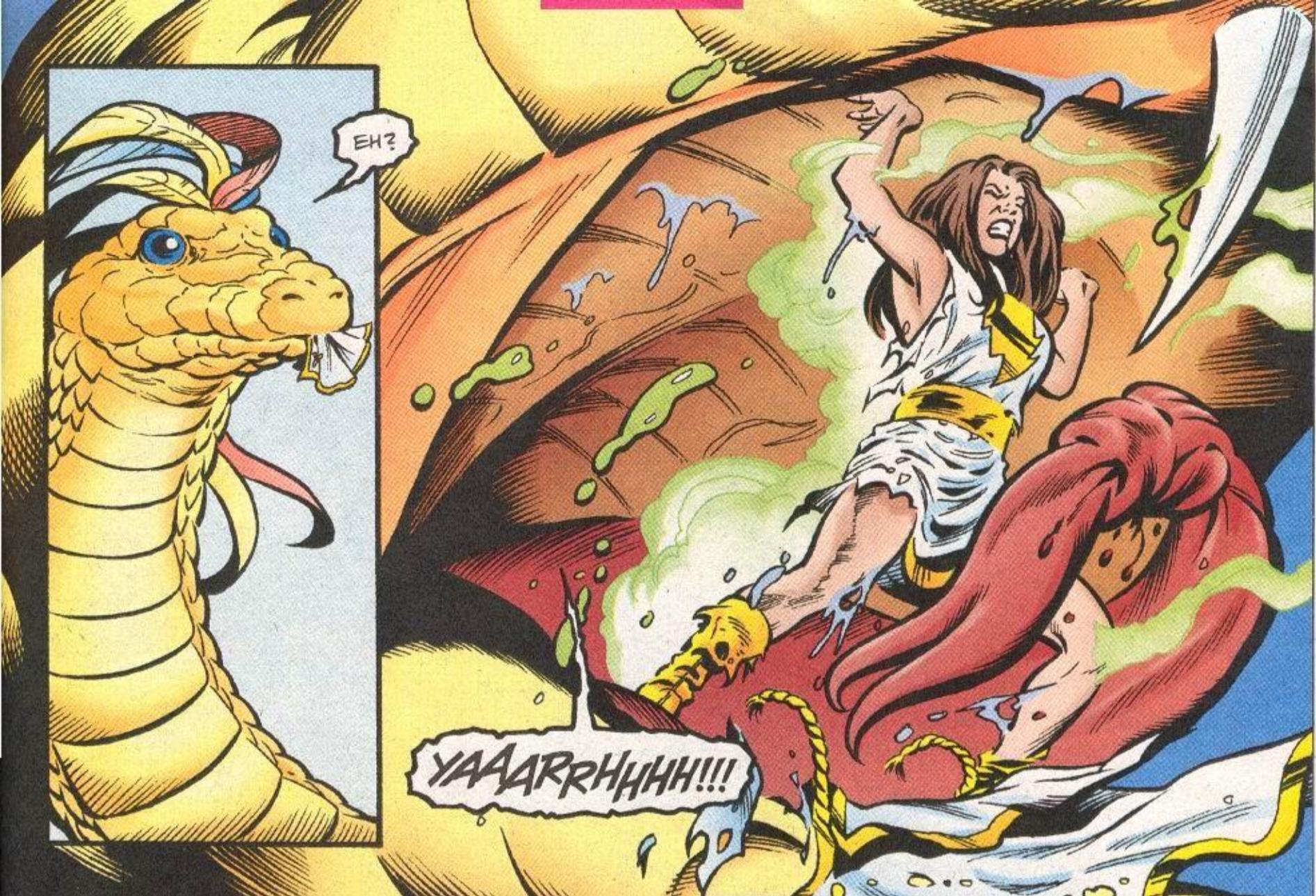




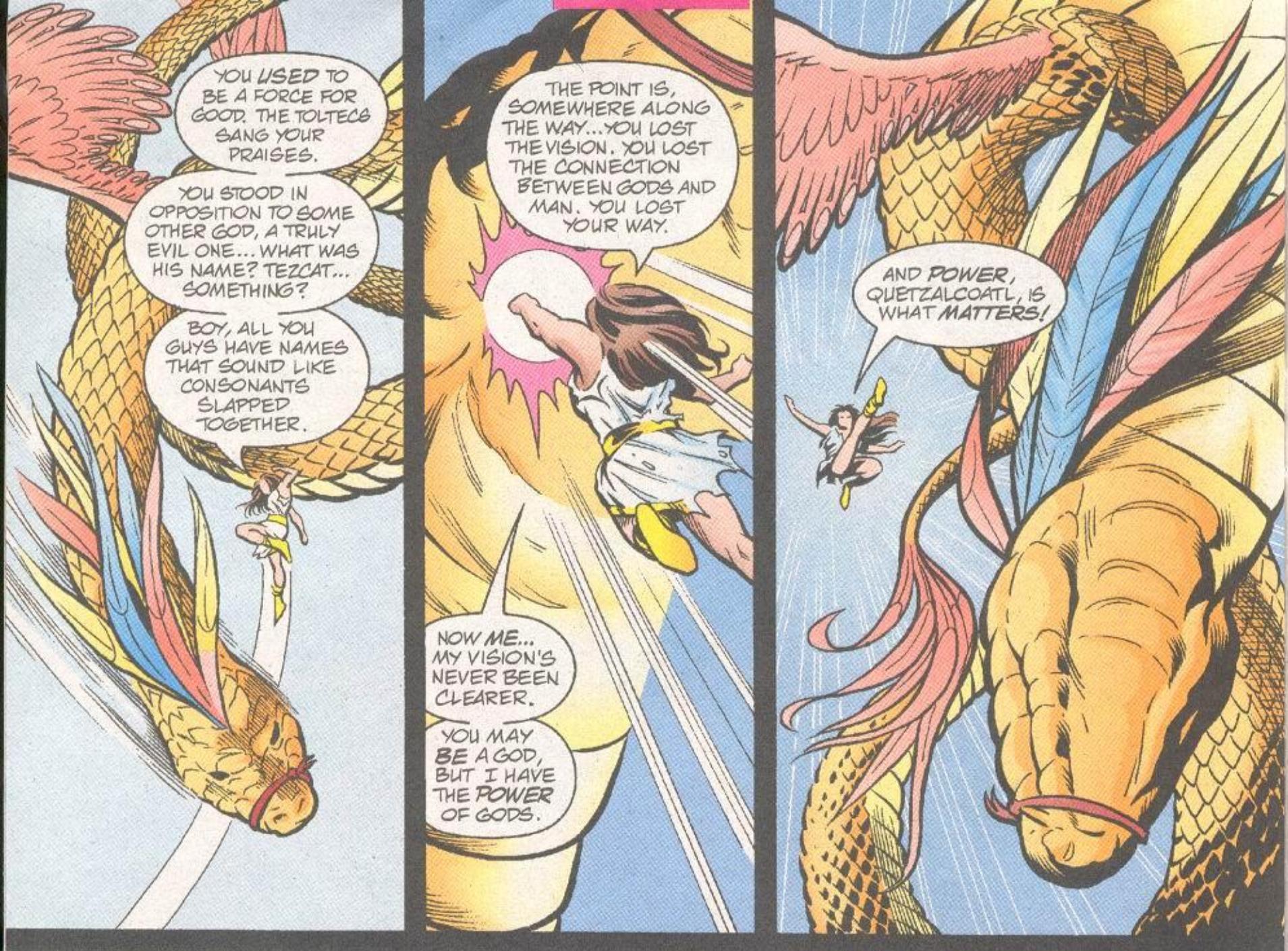


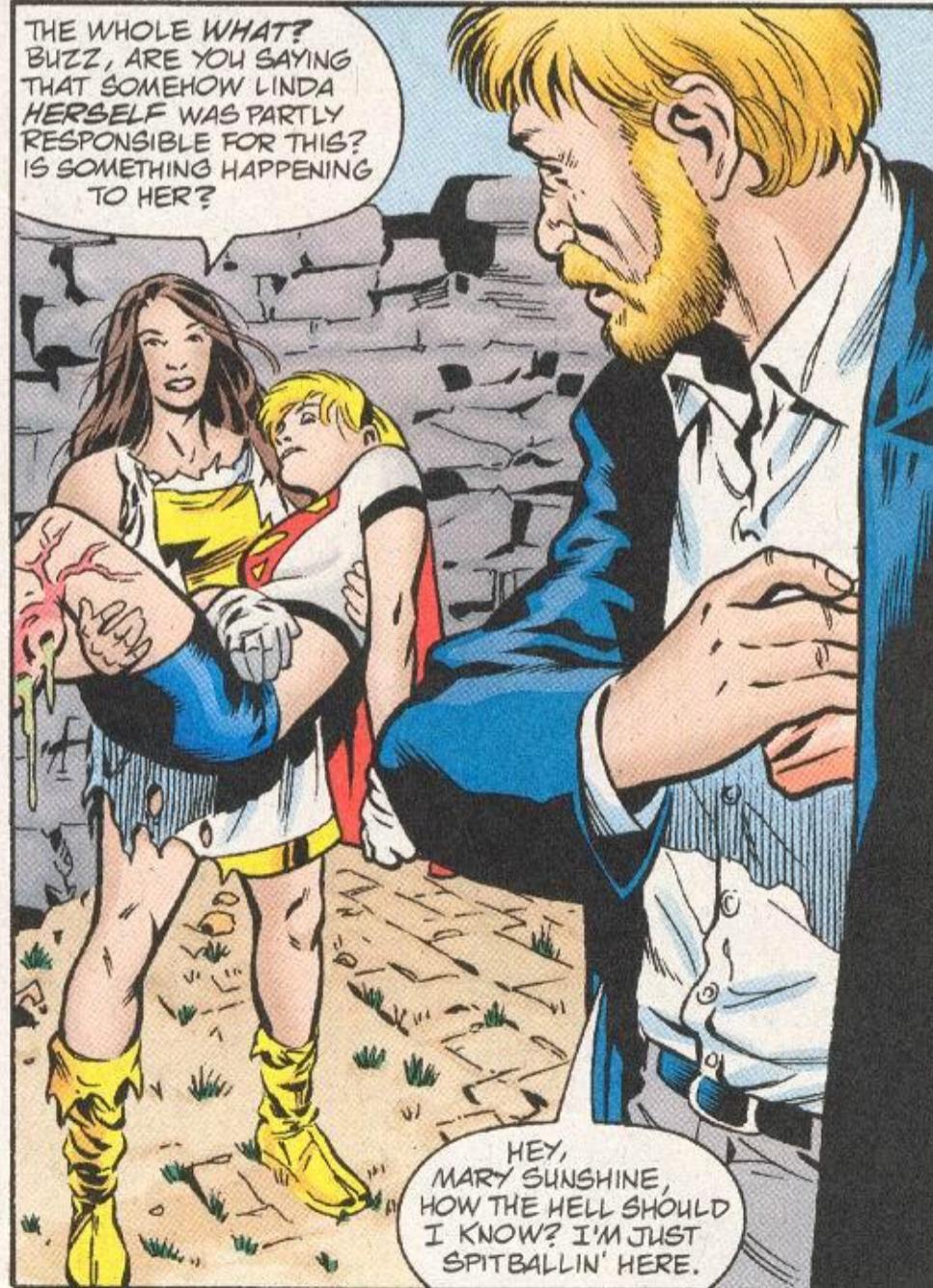
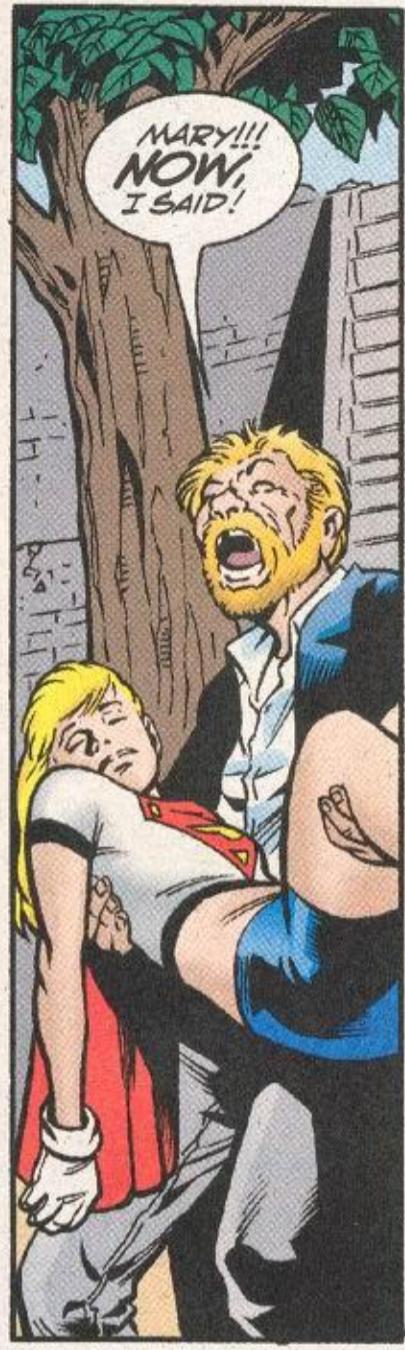


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IF VENOM FROM  
A GOD MADE HER  
ILL... THEN MAYBE  
HELP FROM ABOVE  
CAN CURE HER,  
TOO.

SHAZAM!!!

LINDA!  
LINDA, YOU  
OKAY?

BWATHBOOM

IT LOOKS LIKE  
IT'S CLEARED UP.  
THAT'S SOME  
LITTLE BOLT  
OF LIGHTNING  
YOU'VE GOT  
THERE.

PITY WE DIDN'T HAVE  
YOU IN NEW ORLEANS.  
WOULDN'T HAVE NEEDED  
DOCTOR FATHOUS TO...

I KNOW WHERE  
SHE IS.

WHAT--?

SUPergirl. THE  
OTHER SUPergirl.  
THE EARTH ANGEL.  
I KNOW WHERE  
LILITH IS KEEPING  
HER.

LET'S GO GET  
HER.

