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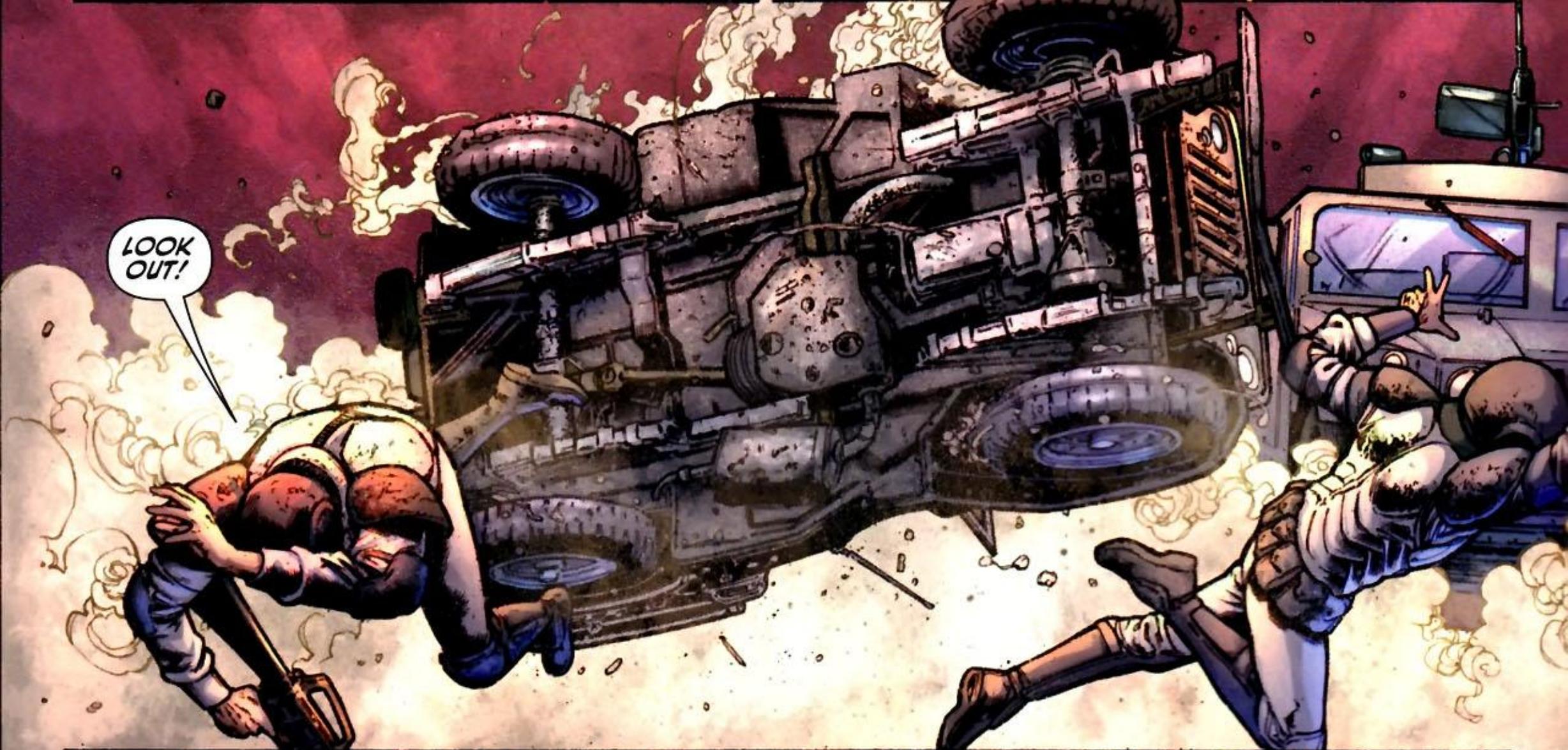
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ASK ME, THESE SO-CALLED AMAZONS AREN'T SO TOUGH, ESPECIALLY IN A TOE-TO-TOE FIGHT.





# THE ODYSSEY part two

# WHISPERING GODS



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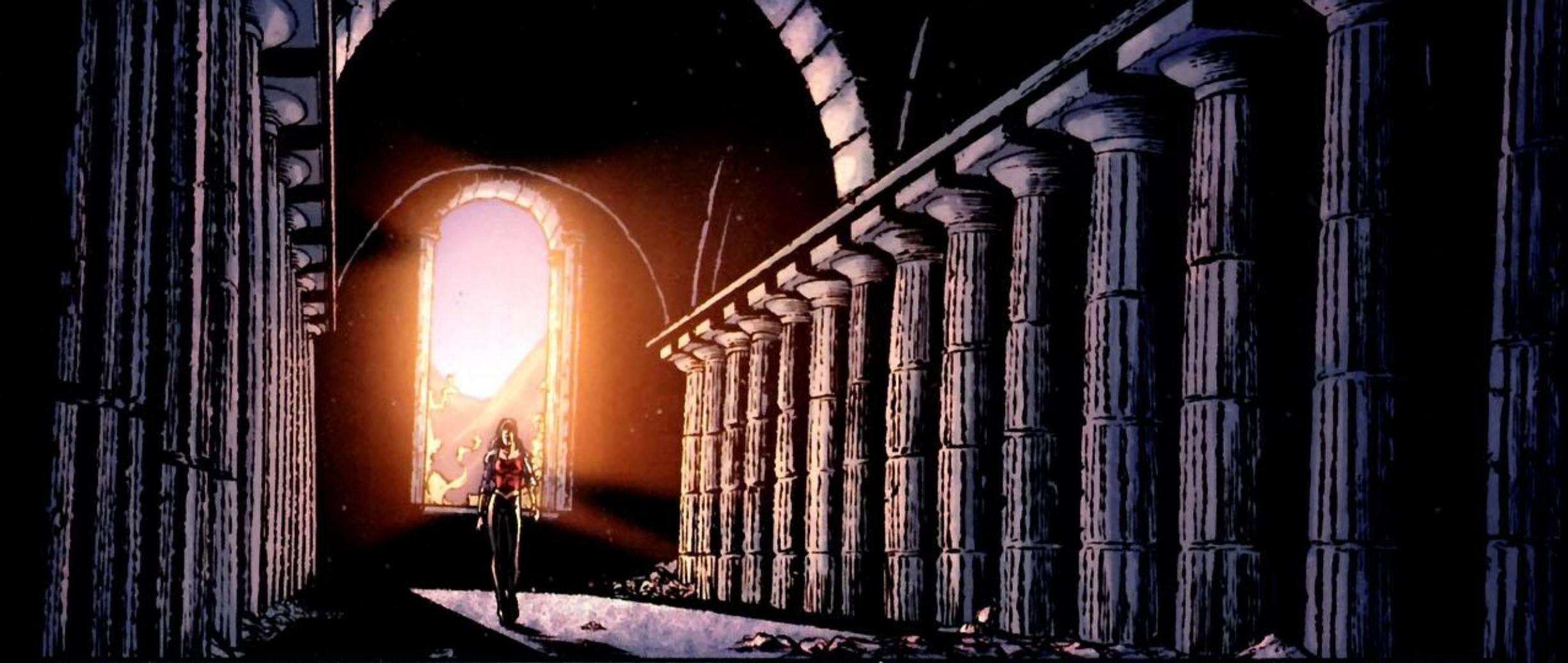
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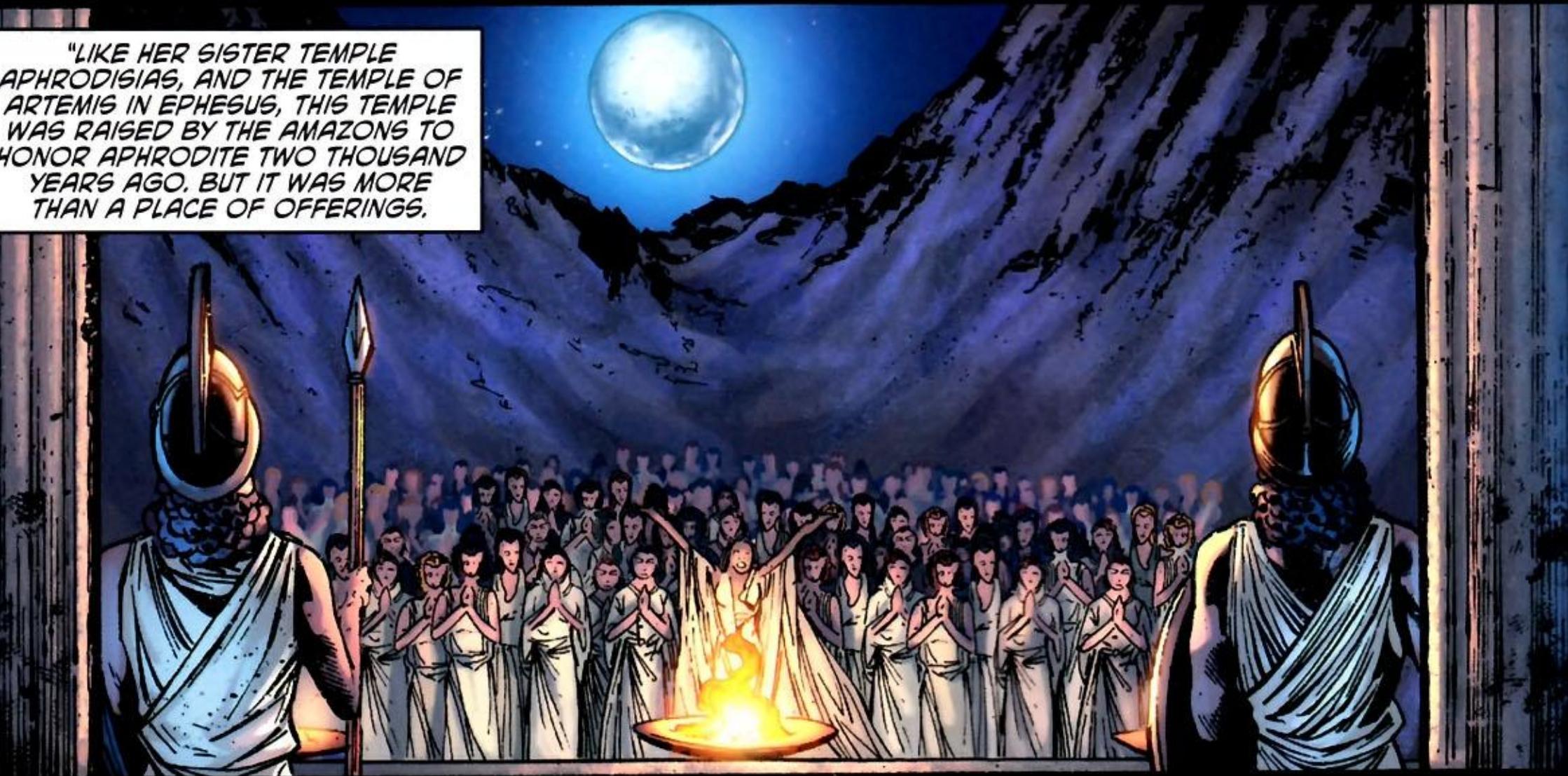
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"LIKE HER SISTER TEMPLE APHRODISIAS, AND THE TEMPLE OF ARTEMIS IN EPHESUS, THIS TEMPLE WAS RAISED BY THE AMAZONS TO HONOR APHRODITE TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO. BUT IT WAS MORE THAN A PLACE OF OFFERINGS.



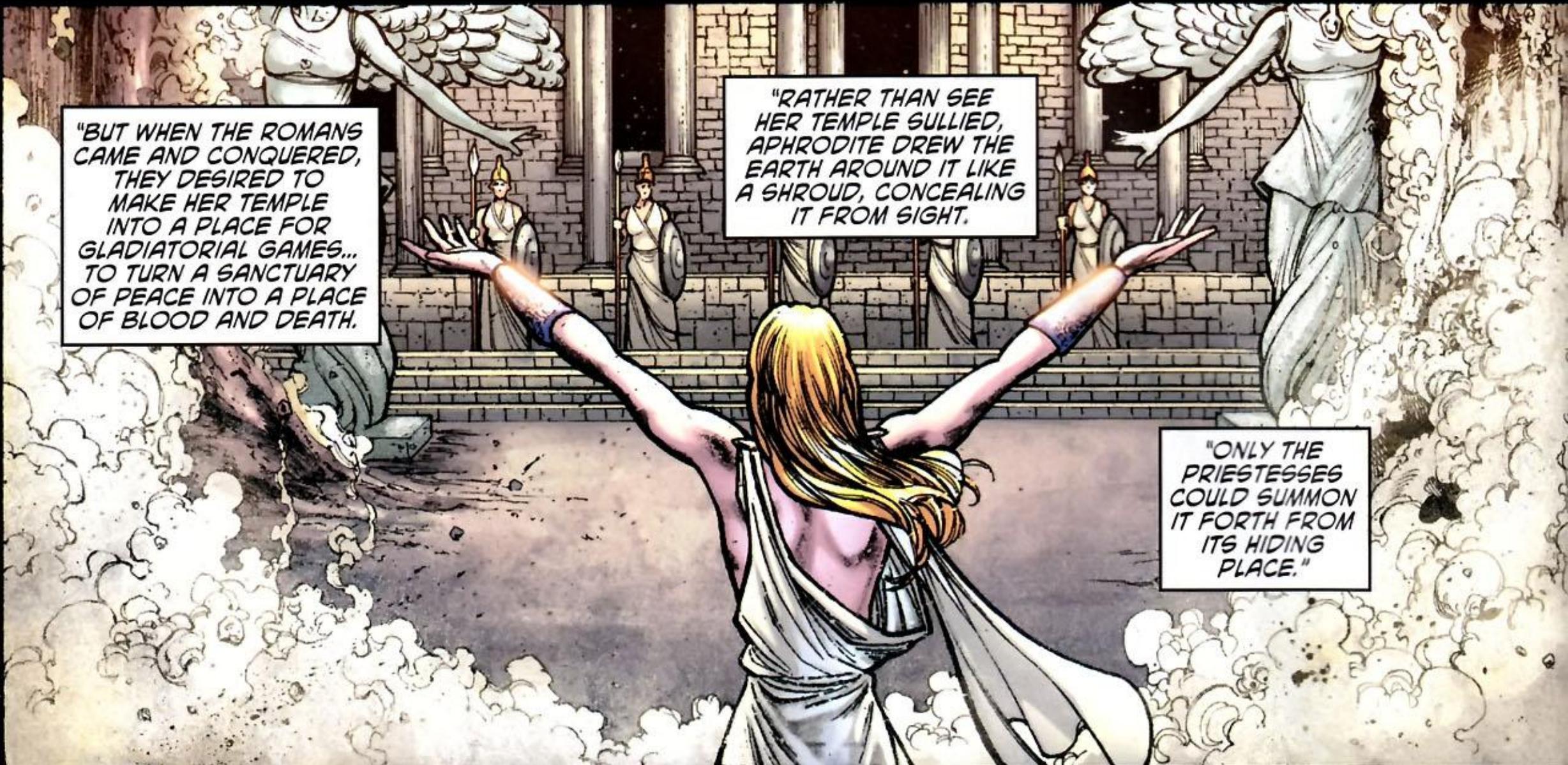
"APHRODITE HERSELF WOULD COME AND WALK AMONG US... SHE WOULD HEAR OUR PRAYERS, AND MAKE THEM MANIFEST.

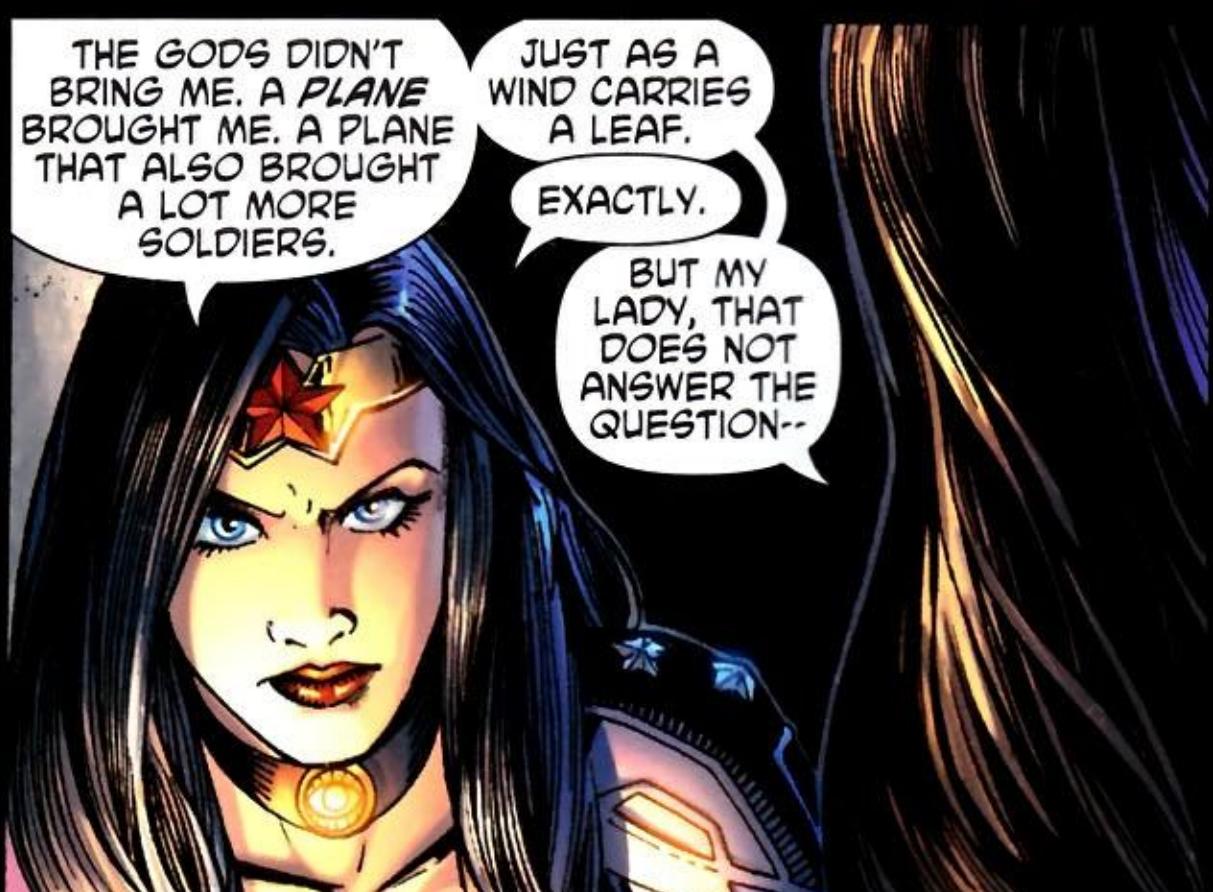


"BUT WHEN THE ROMANS CAME AND CONQUERED, THEY DESIRED TO MAKE HER TEMPLE INTO A PLACE FOR GLADIATORIAL GAMES... TO TURN A SANCTUARY OF PEACE INTO A PLACE OF BLOOD AND DEATH.

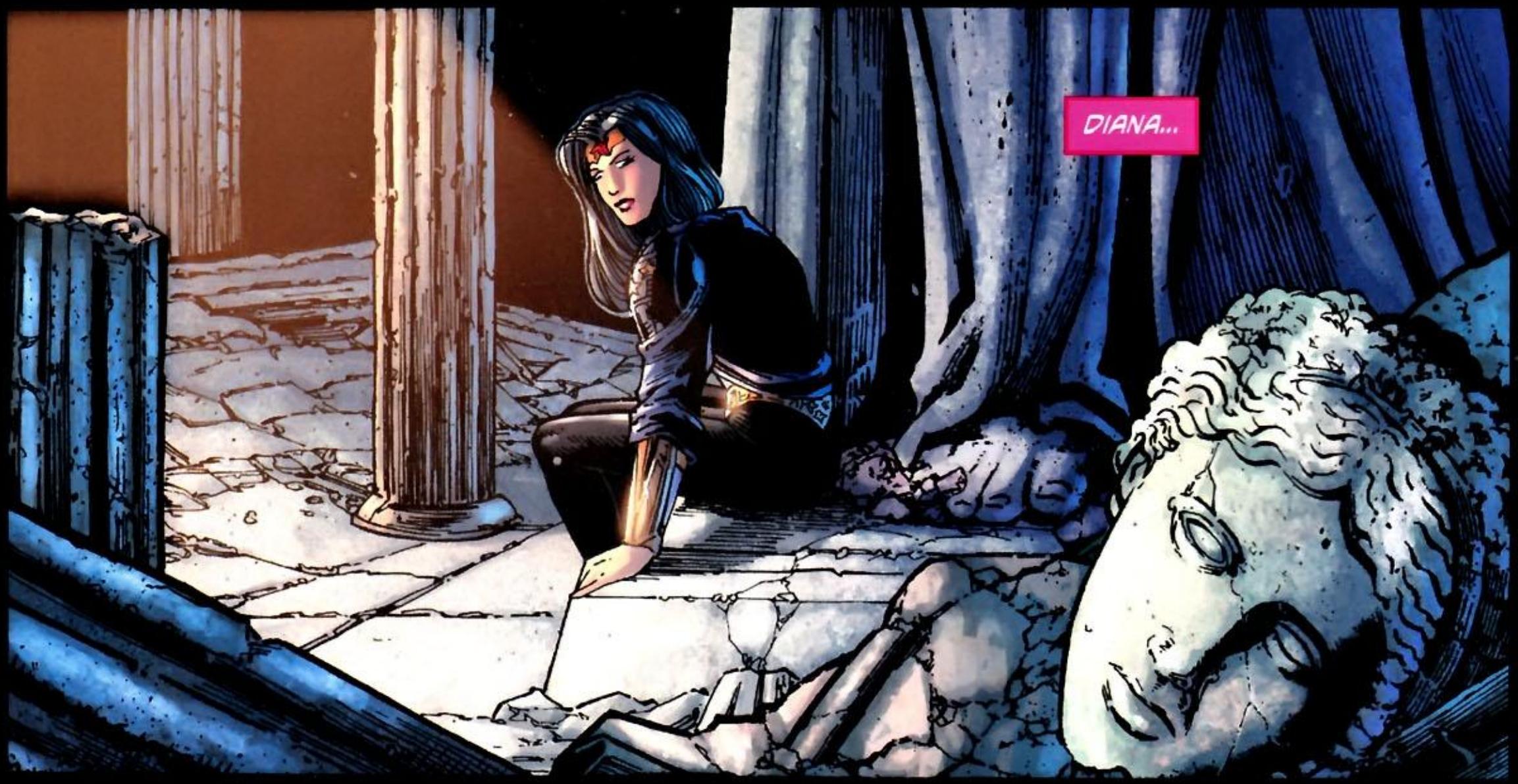
"RATHER THAN SEE HER TEMPLE SULLIED, APHRODITE DREW THE EARTH AROUND IT LIKE A SHROUD, CONCEALING IT FROM SIGHT.

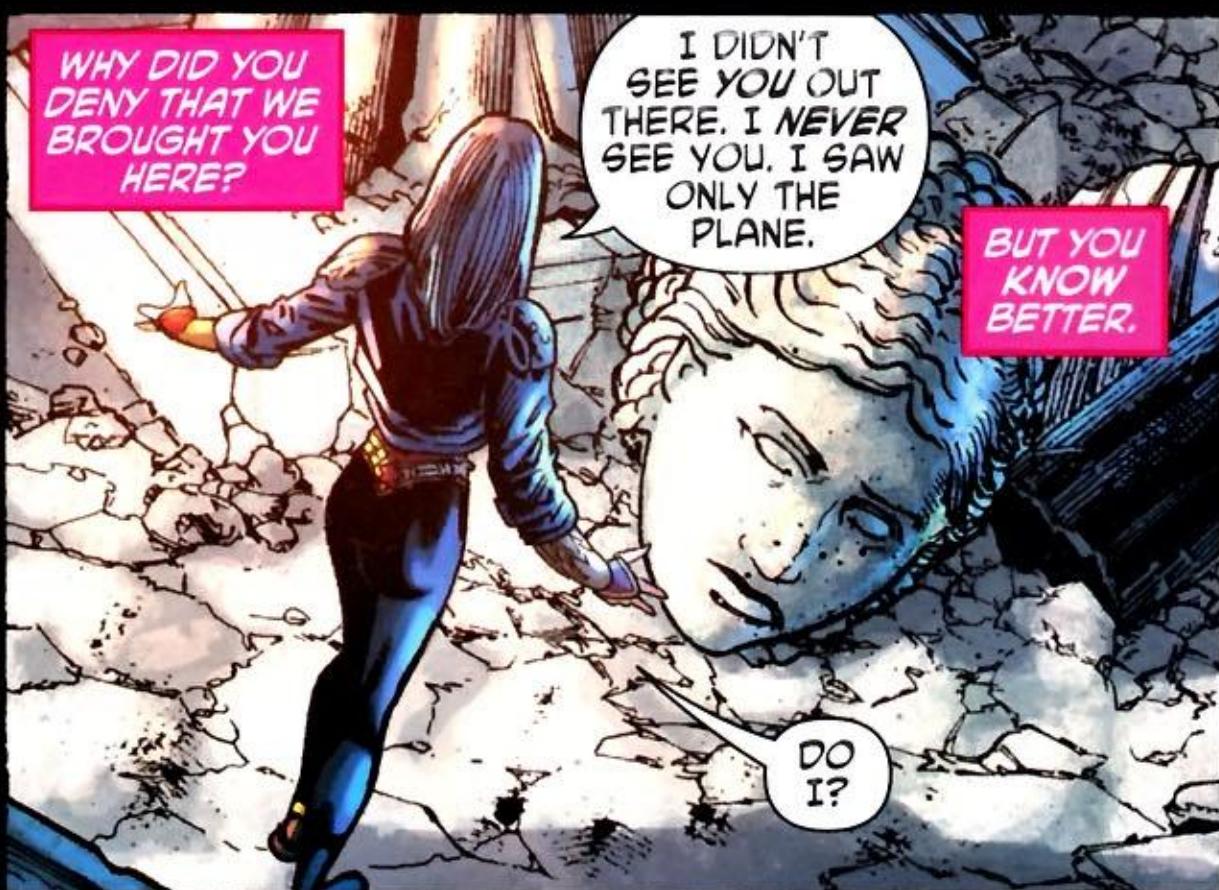
"ONLY THE PRIESTESSES COULD SUMMON IT FORTH FROM ITS HIDING PLACE."











YEAH, WELL,  
MY HEART AND  
I AREN'T ON THE  
BEST OF TERMS  
RIGHT NOW.

YOU WILL HAVE TO  
LEAD THEM OUT  
OF HERE, DIANA.  
YOU WILL HAVE  
TO SAVE THEM.

DO YOU KNOW  
WHAT'S COMING?  
HAVE YOU LOOKED  
OUTSIDE? HAVE  
YOU SEEN--

--OF COURSE  
YOU'VE SEEN, YOU  
KNOW EXACTLY  
WHAT'S OUT  
THERE.

THEIR WEAPONS  
CAN KILL EVEN US...  
EVEN ME...AND  
THERE ARE A LOT  
OF THEM. I DON'T  
KNOW IF I CAN  
SAVE THEM  
ALL.

NOR WILL YOU. TRY AS  
YOU MAY, YOU CANNOT  
SAVE THEM ALL.

THEN  
WHAT'S THE  
POINT?

TO LEARN TO  
BEAR A QUEEN'S  
BURDEN OF LIFE  
AND DEATH, AND  
NOT LET IT DESTROY  
YOU. AND IN SO  
DOING...SAVE AS  
MANY AS YOU CAN.

THEN YOU COME DOWN  
HERE AND DO IT! YOU COME  
DOWN HERE AND CHOOSE  
WHO LIVES AND WHO  
DIES!

GET DOWN HERE IN THE DIRT WITH  
THE REST OF US! CLIMB DOWN  
OUT OF OLYMPUS OR WHEREVER  
THE HELL YOU'RE HIDING AND  
DO SOMETHING!

IT IS NOT  
YET TIME. I  
CANNOT...

...I  
CANNOT...

I HEARD A  
VOICE...WERE YOU  
SPEAKING TO  
SOMEONE?

NO...  
NO ONE...

...NO  
ONE AT  
ALL.

"CAN  
SHE BE  
MOVED  
NOW?"

YES. SHE HAS ENTERED A HEALING COMA. WE CAN BEAR HER, EVEN ROUGHLY, WITHOUT DOING HARM.

IT'S NOT YOU HARMING HER THAT WORRIES ME.

GET READY. WE'LL GO ON MY SIGNAL.



THEY DO NOT ATTACK.

NO POINT. ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS WAIT FOR US TO STEP OUTSIDE AND KISS THE KILL ZONE.

PERHAPS...AND PERHAPS WE MAY YET SURPRISE THEM. WE HAVE FOUND SOME WEAPONS STORED BELOW, AND--

IT'S DONE--

--THE OPENING IS BARELY BIG ENOUGH FOR ONE BODY, SINGLE FILE, BUT--

GOOD. IT'S ENOUGH.

WHAT'S ENOUGH?

I HAVE HAD AS MANY AS WE COULD SPARE DIGGING THROUGH THE BACK WALLS OF THE TEMPLE TO CREATE A WAY OUT.

IT APPEARS WE HAVE SUCCEEDED. BUT WE CANNOT GET THROUGH MANY AT A TIME. IT WILL BE SLOW--

BUT AS SOON AS ANYONE STARTS OUT THE BACK, THE RENT-AN-ARMY OUTSIDE WILL HEAR IT.



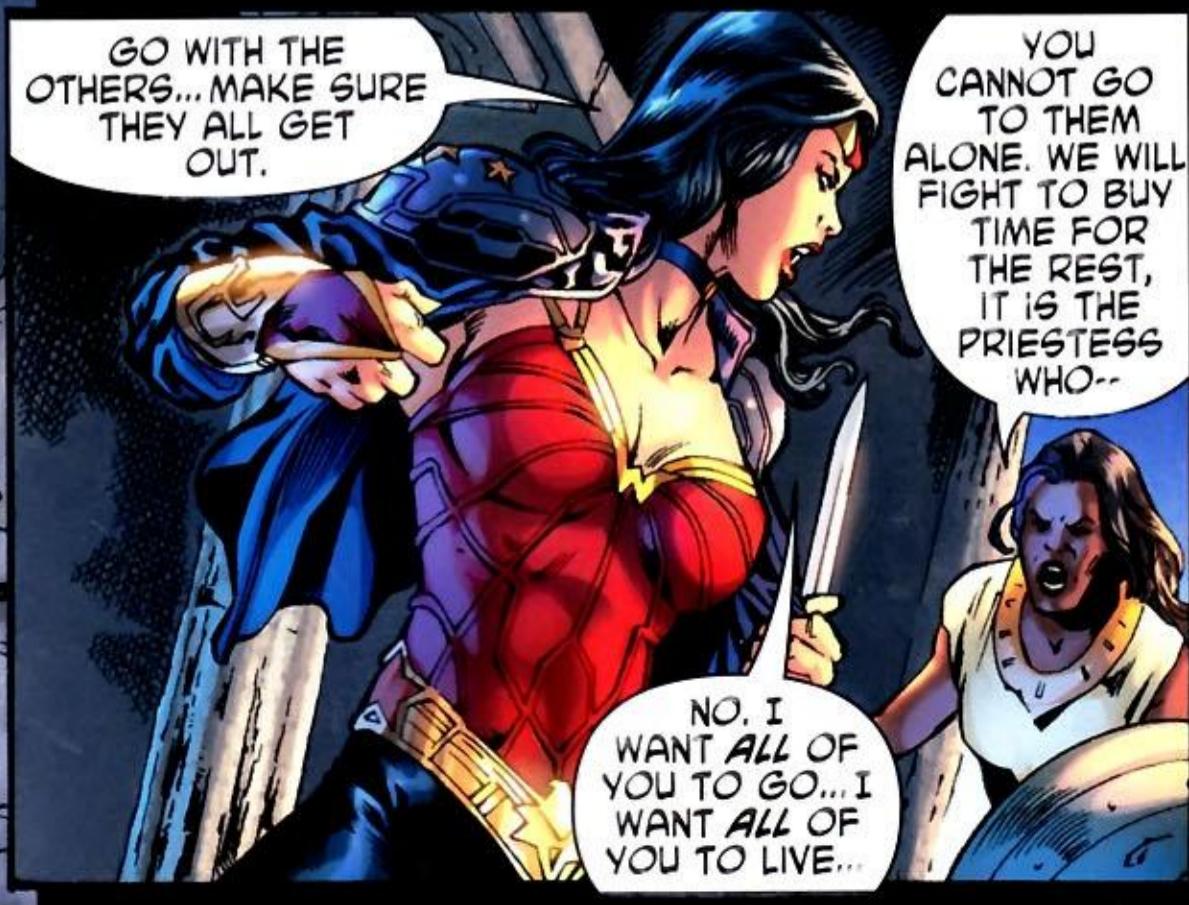
ALMOST CERTAINLY.

THEN I GUESS YOU'RE GOING TO NEED A DISTRACTION.

GO WITH THE OTHERS...MAKE SURE THEY ALL GET OUT.

YOU CANNOT GO TO THEM ALONE. WE WILL FIGHT TO BUY TIME FOR THE REST, IT IS THE PRIESTESS WHO--

NO, I WANT ALL OF YOU TO GO...I WANT ALL OF YOU TO LIVE...



"--SO I CAN SPIT IN THE FACE OF THE GODS, AND TELL THEM THEY'RE WRONG."





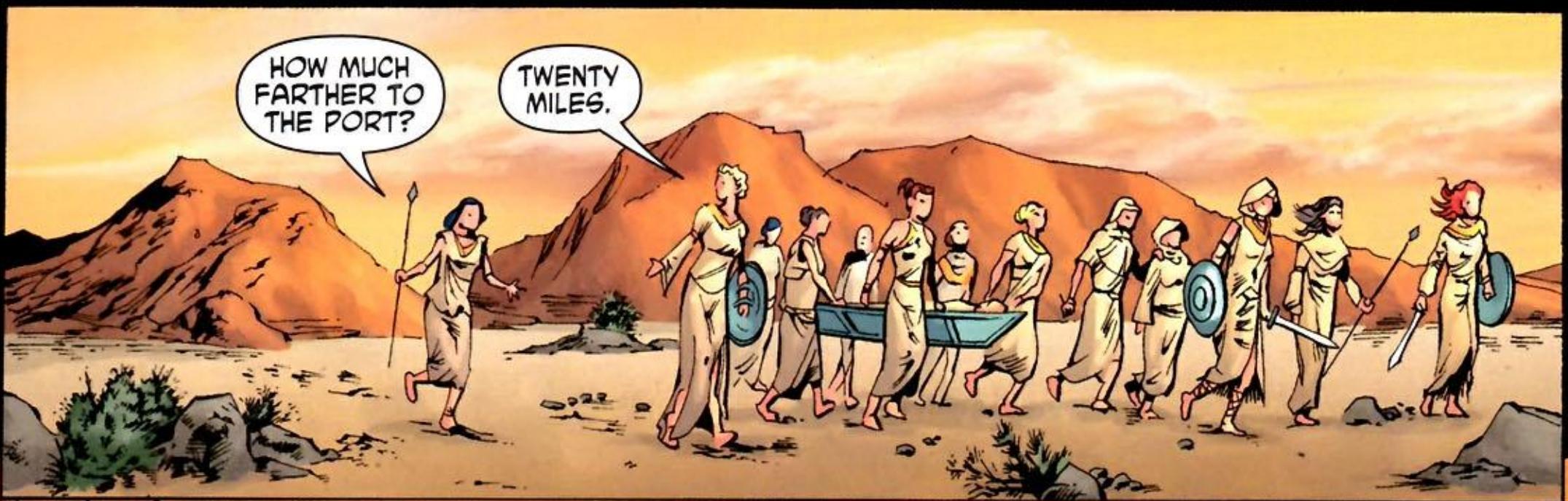












"...I  
KNOW."



**to be continued**

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# BALTIMORE COMIC-CON

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## BALTIMORE COMIC-CON = AWESOME

Greetings, DC Nation! We've been super busy racking up the frequent flyer points this month as the 2010 DC Nation Tour has been in full swing. I want to say a huge THANK YOU to all the fans we've met recently. You guys have been incredibly supportive and cool at the shows, and I think a big part of that is the excitement we all feel about the DCU right now. We've got all the Brightest Day titles, JMS on Wonder Woman and Superman, Grant Morrison's Bat-revolution, a new Teen Titans creative team, Paul Cornell's epic-in-the-making run on Action Comics, a new Superboy title, new creative teams on the Batman books, a new Jimmy Olsen feature that introduces Chloe Sullivan to the DCU, a new T.H.U.N.D.E.R Agents series, more First Wave amazingness, and so much more yet to come. We really hope you loyal members of DC Nation are enjoying the ride.

Now we have one last chance to get together and talk about comics this summer and it's a doozy. Please join us for the Baltimore Comic-Con on August 28th & 29th at the Baltimore Convention Center. If you are anywhere close to this event, you can't miss it. Heck, even if you aren't close to this event, you can't miss it! It's no secret that I love Baltimore Comic-Con. Not only is it my hometown show, but in my opinion it's also one of the premier events a fan can go to and be able to interact with an incredible mix of comics creators. It's a fan-friendly convention in every way imaginable. I'd guarantee that you would have a fantastic time if you attend the show, but our legal team gets a little twitchy when I start tossing out guarantees in this space. So I'll just heavily imply that you'll have a fantastic time if you go.

So let's review — come see us at the Baltimore Comic-Con on August 28th & 29th at the Baltimore Convention Center. For more information please visit [comicon.com/Baltimore](http://comicon.com/Baltimore)

Be seeing you in Baltimore!

— Ian Sattler Senior Story Editor, DCU

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