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WITH FRIENDS LIKE THESE

PART ONE

AND I KNOW HE
BELIEVES IN ME.
SHLP
SHLP

GET IM
JESUS!

HA!

LAZER!

HE OSU!

NOOO!

DROWNED



HE DIED
4 SINS

SHLP
SHLP

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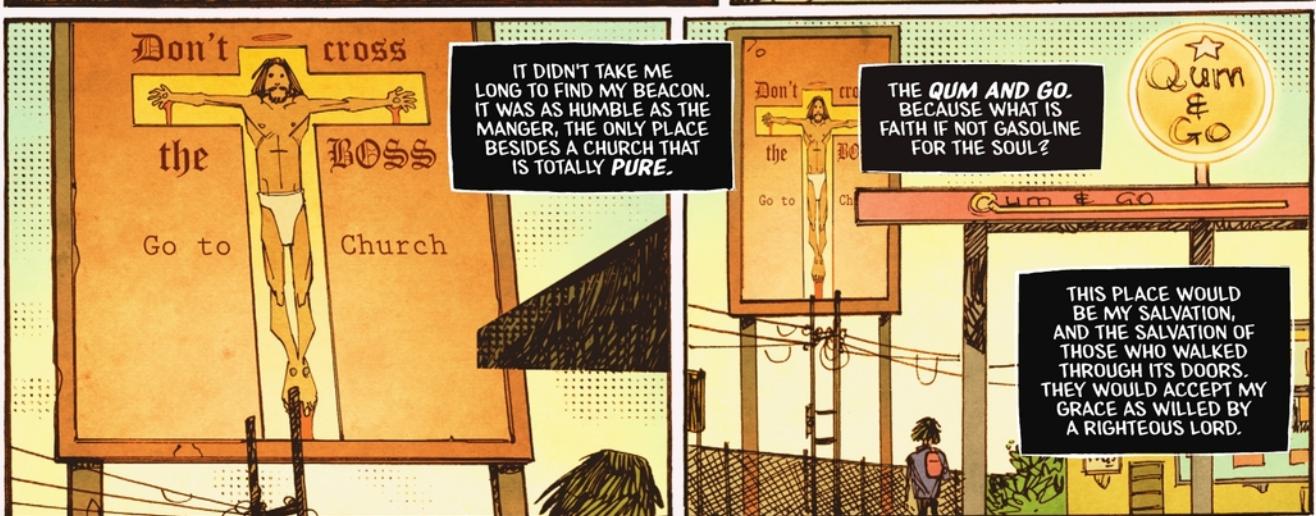
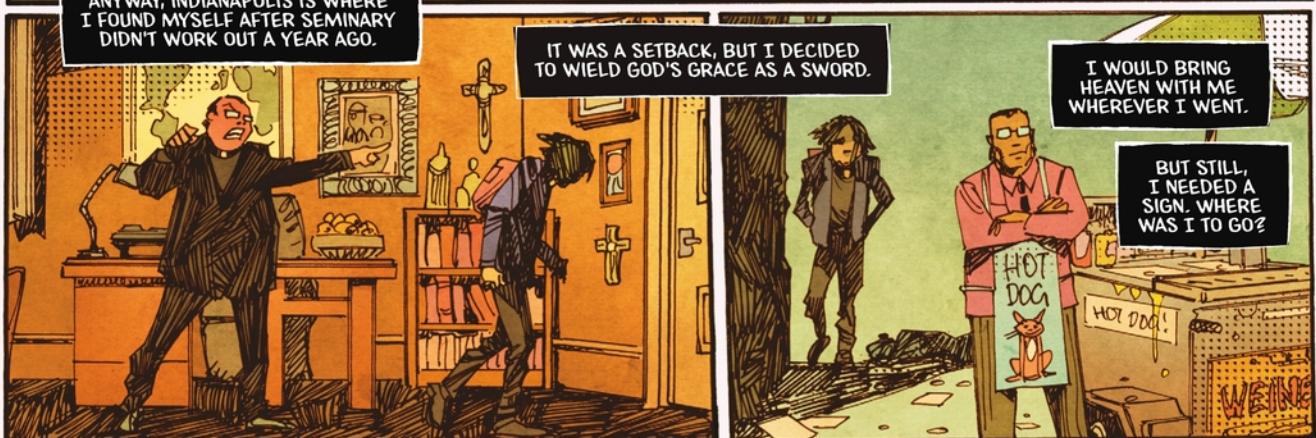
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SOME DAYS I DON'T KNOW IF I'LL EVER FIND WHAT HAS SOILED SCUZZ'S SOUL. BUT I DO KNOW THAT IT IS MY DUTY TO SAVE THAT VERY SOUL FROM ITSELF.

SCUZZ IS A HOST TO MANY DEVILS. YOU'D HAVE TO BE AS BLIND AS THE MAN WHO RECEIVED THE MIRACLE OF SIGHT FROM JESUS NOT TO SEE IT.

OUR MANAGER, REGGIE, KEEPS CALLING THE COPS ON SCUZZ. BUT REGGIE IS WRONG. SCUZZ DOESN'T NEED THE POLICE. HE NEEDS TO BE SAVED. HE NEEDS THE GENTLE HAND OF A SHEPHERD TO LEAD HIM TO THE GREENEST GRASSES.



I KNOW
MY BELIEFS
MIGHT SEEM
STRANGE, PARTNER.
THE WAY OF THE
DIRTMOUTH
ISN'T FOR
EVERYONE.

BUT WHEN I
FIRST FOUND THE
FUCKMOTHER'S YOUTUBE
CHANNEL A YEAR AGO, I WAS
A DRUNK AND A GAMBLING
ADDICT. SHE TAUGHT ME THAT
THE WAY TO FREEDOM FROM
SIN IS TOTAL EXPRESSION
OF OUR STANKY,
BALL-CHEESE-
FLAVORED
MINDS.

IT SEEMS
TO BE WORKING,
FRIEND.

THE HORRORS
I HAVE SEEN AND
KNOWN ALMOST
BROKE ME.

NO ONE
TREATS A VET
WITH RESPECT
ANYMORE.
NOT SINCE THE
HIPPIES RUINED
'NAM.

THAT'S
WHY I DON'T
REPLACE THE
NOSE. I WANT
PEOPLE TO KNOW
WHAT I LOST
FIGHTING FOR
PEOPLES' RIGHT
TO COMPLAIN
ON TWITTER.

BUT THE
FUCKMOTHER'S
GOT DOUBLE-D
HANGERS OF FAITH
AND GREASY, SHIT-
COVERED BALLS,
ILLED WITH
THE LORD'S
BLESSING!

AND
SHE DOES
SPREAD
THE FAITH.
IT'S ALL
OVER ME
NOW.

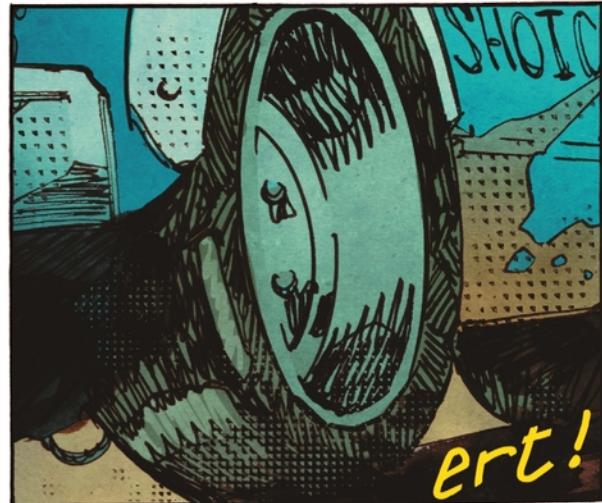
DURING
HER LAST
FACEBOOK
LIVESTREAM, THE
FUCKMOTHER TOLD
ALL OF US TO SAY
FUCK AT LEAST
ONE HUNDRED
MOTHERFUCKING
TIMES A
FUCKING
DAY!

SAY FUCK
FOR LUCK AND
THE NAZARENE,
THAT'S THE
FUCKMOTHER!

THE
ALMIGHTY
CERTAINLY
CHOSES
STRANGE
VESSELS!

YOU
BET YOUR
LITTLE BUTTHOLE.
AND I FEEL SO
MUCH BETTER
FOR IT.

ASS.

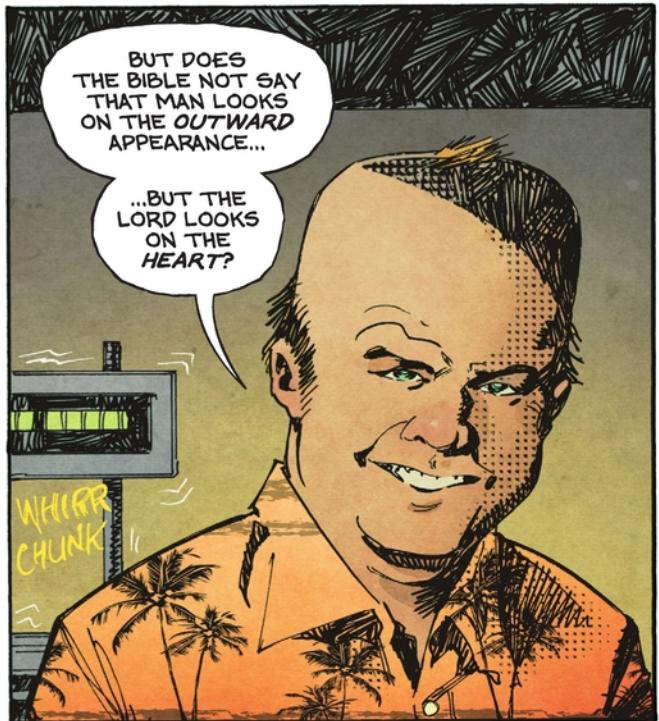
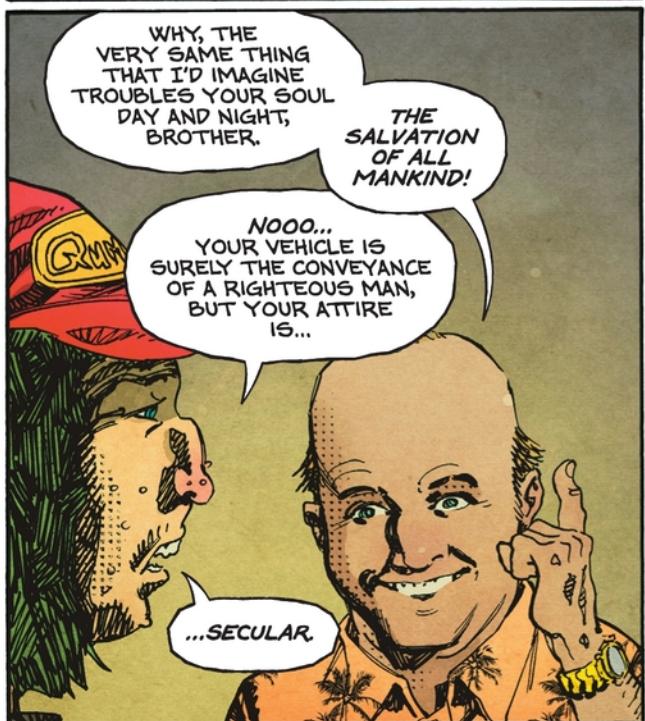


...THEN I
SAW IT...

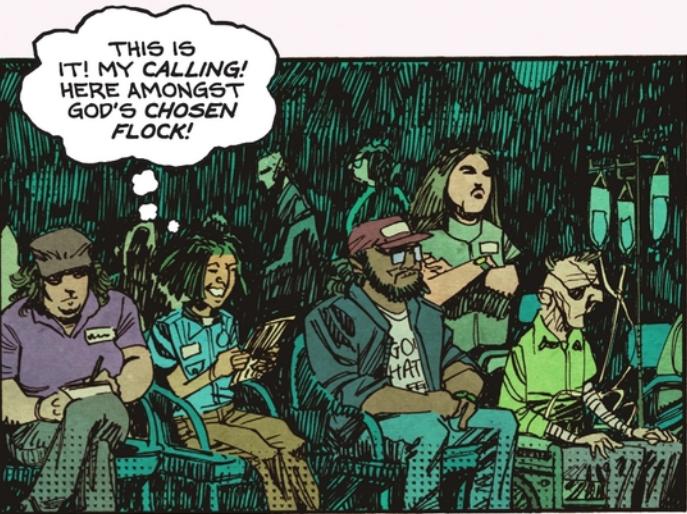


...SALVATION!











AND EVER SINCE,
EXORCISM HAS BEEN AN
ESSENTIAL FUNCTION OF
THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. BUT AS YOU
NO DOUBT KNOW, THE CATHOLIC
CHURCH HAS TROUBLE REACHING
EVERYONE.

YOU KNOW
HOW IT TAKES
THREE SEPARATE
FLIGHTS JUST TO
GET TO DELAWARE?
HOW HARD IS THAT
FROM **THE
VATICAN?**

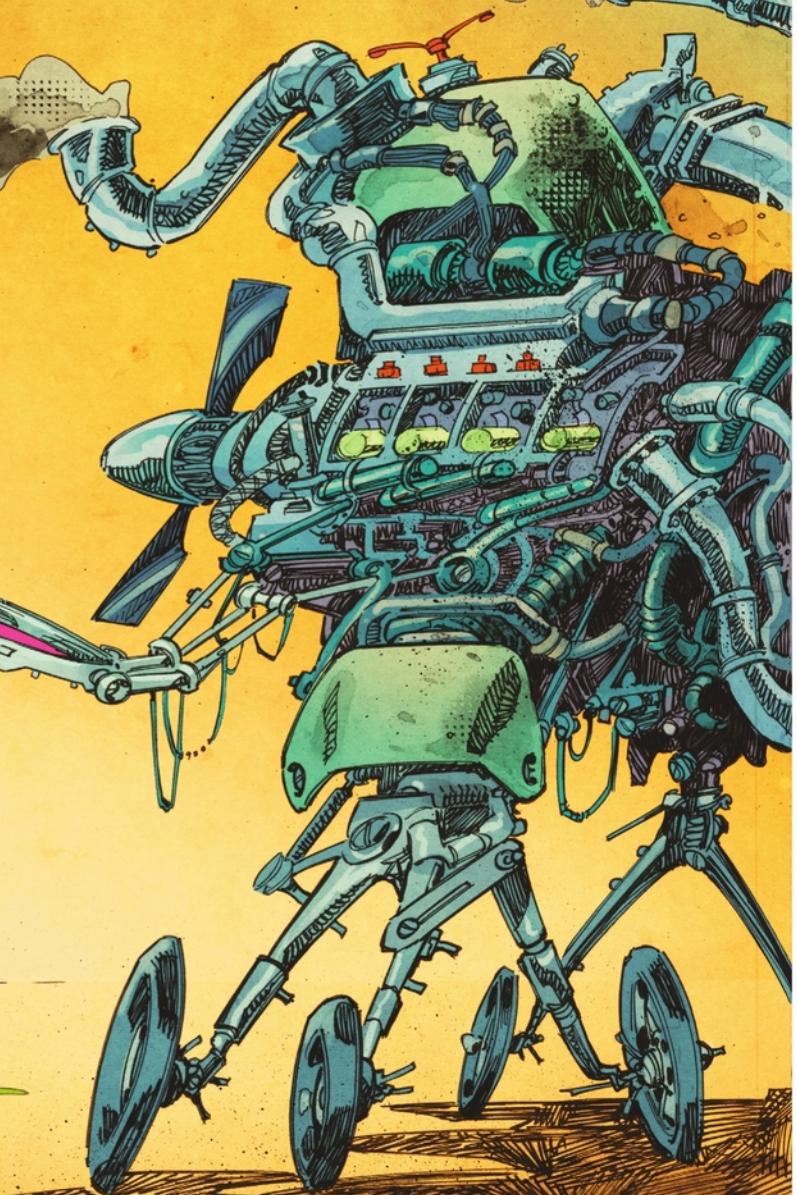
THAT'S
WHY
I SAY, IN
THE SPIRIT
OF LUKE
10:19...

"BEHOLD!"
I GIVE UNTO YOU
POWER TO TREAD
ON SERPENTS AND
SCORPIONS, AND OVER
ALL THE POWER OF
THE ENEMY, AND
NOTHING SHALL
BY ANY MEANS
HURT YOU!"

BELIEVERS,
I GIVE
YOU...



**...THE SPIRIT
PLUNGER!™**

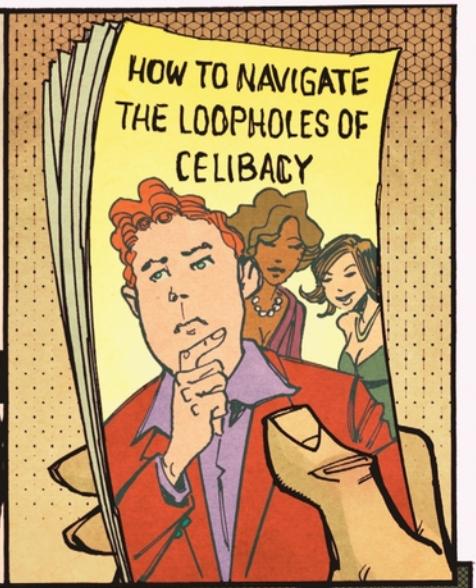












YOU GOTTA
STOP SAYING "YOUR
MOTHER SUCKS COCKS
IN HELL," DAVE. EVERYONE
KNOWS THAT'S FROM
THE EXORCIST.
IT'S HACK.

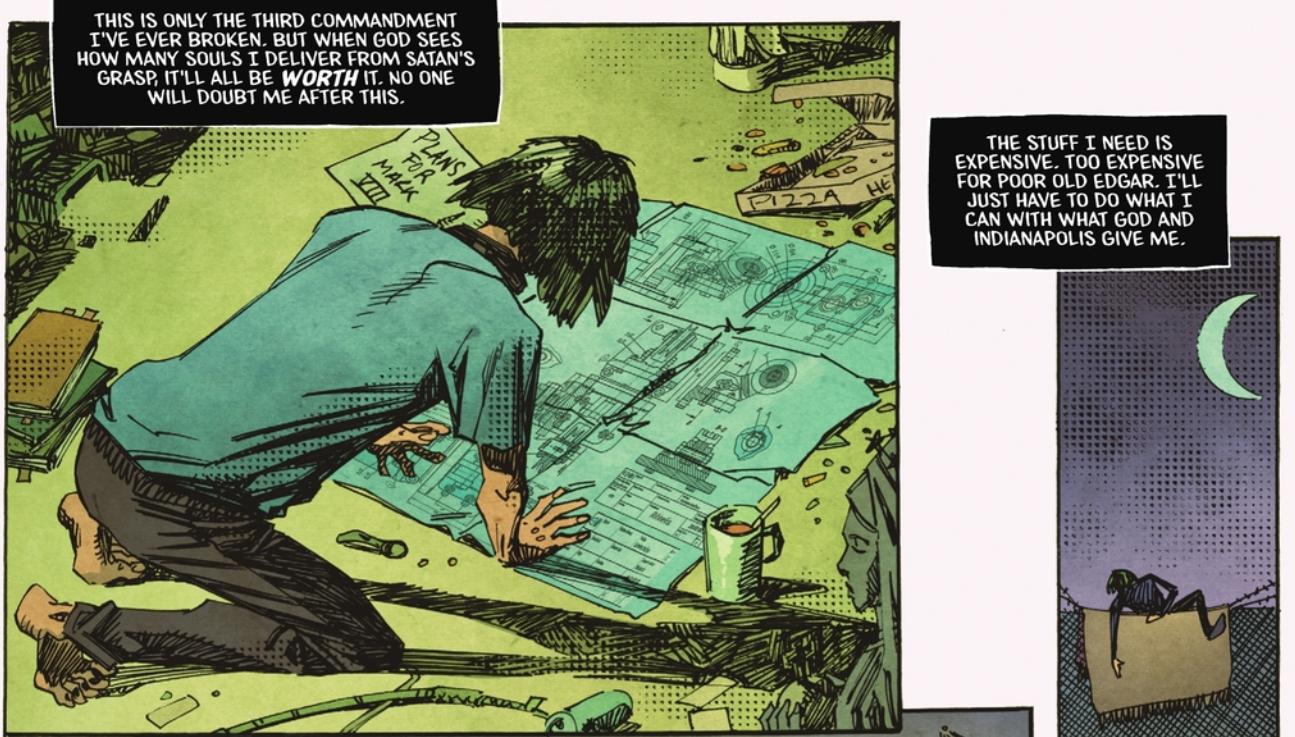
I DON'T KNOW,
MAN. PERSONALLY, IF
I'M COMING TO SEE A
POSSESSED DUDE AND HE
DOESN'T SAY "YOUR MOTHER
SUCKS COCKS IN HELL," IT'S
LIKE GOING TO SEE BILLY
JOEL AND HE DOESN'T
PLAY "PIANO MAN."

SO WHAT
DO YOU THINK
WOULD HAPPEN IF YOU
ACTUALLY TURNED ON
THE MACHINE? LIKE,
REALLY TURNED
IT ON?

NOTHING. IT
MIGHT AS WELL
BE A FUCKIN' DYSON
WITH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
ON IT. WHY DO YOU THINK
WE'RE ON THE ROAD SELLING
BLUEPRINTS TO RUBES
AT FIVE HUNDRED DUCKS
A POP? THEY STILL
HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT
HOW TO MAKE
IT WORK.



FORGIVE ME,
FATHER, FOR I
MUST SIN.



I COULDN'T DECIPHER
WHAT MOST OF THE
PARTS WERE IN THE
INSTRUCTIONS.

BUT I KNEW
WHAT FELT RIGHT.

ALL OF IT IS
COMING TOGETHER!

PRAISE HIM!



KEEP OUT,
NERDS!

WHAT IN
THE FLIPPETY,
CARPET-MUNCHING
HELL AM I DOING OUT
HERE AT THE FUCKING
DUMP AT MIDNIGHT
FOR YOU,
EDGAR?

SCREEECH

YOU'LL
SEE, ELK!
TONIGHT THERE
WILL BE A
MIRACLE!



JUST
ONE LAST
STOP.



YOU
WANNA GO,
TRASH CAN?
YOU WANNA
GO?

BARK
BARK



AS HELPFUL AS ELK CAN BE,
I KNEW THIS HAD TO BE DONE
ALONE. I RESPECT HIS FAITH,
BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW HAVING
A **NON-CATHOLIC** IN THE
ROOM WILL AFFECT THINGS.

TRUST
ME, SCUZZ,
YOU'LL BE A NEW
MAN AFTER
ALL THIS IS
DONE!

AND SO WILL I! WHO KNOWS
WHAT NEW DOORS THIS
WILL OPEN? RETURNING TO
SEMINARY? TELEVISION?

THAT'S WHY I'VE GOT TO **DOCUMENT**
THIS. NOBODY WILL BELIEVE ME
UNLESS I HAVE EVIDENCE OUTSIDE
OF THAT HORRIFIC SCREAMING MEAT.
WHO KNOWS HOW LONG A DEMON
LASTS ON THE EARTHLY PLANE?

I HEARD
THERE WAS
DIET COKE
HERE!

THE VATICAN?

FREE ME,
FUCKER!

I JUST HOPE THEY DON'T MIND
THAT I'VE TAKEN OFF MY SHIRT. I DON'T
HAVE TOO MANY AND I DON'T KNOW HOW
MESSY THIS IS GOING TO BE. I HEARD THE
POSSESSED VOMIT DURING EXORCISMS.

OKAY!

ARE YOU
READY TO
RECEIVE YOUR
SALVATION?

YOU DON'T
GOTTA TIE
ME UP!
I'LL
SUCK YA!

GOOD! NOW
LET'S GET
STARTED.

HERE GOES
EVERYTHING.

WUCKA-CHUCKA
WUCKA-CHUCKA
SWOOSH!



I WISH I'D FOUND INSTRUCTIONS TO GO ALONG WITH THESE BLUEPRINTS, BUT MR. POSITANO MADE IT SEEM SIMPLE ENOUGH.

FOR EVERYTHING ELSE, GOD WILL GUIDE ME.



AN EYE INTO GOD'S CREATION! HOW LUCKY AM I?

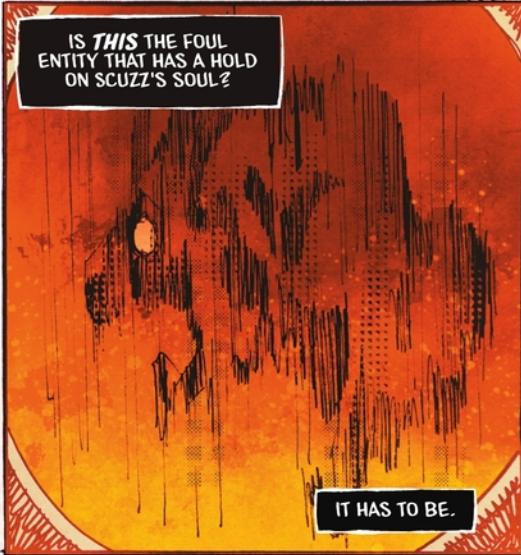


CERTAINLY NO EVIL THERE.

THAT'S IT!

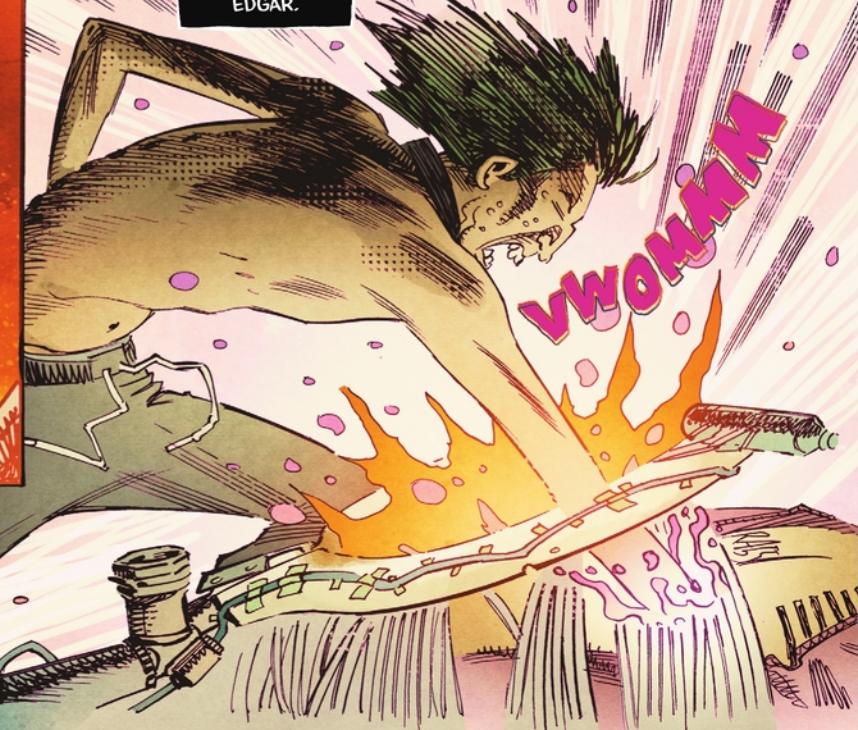
I THINK.

IS THIS THE FOUL ENTITY THAT HAS A HOLD ON SCUZZ'S SOUL?



IT HAS TO BE.

HERE COMES THE COURAGE, EDGAR.





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BATMAN THE LONG HALLOWEEN

Writer Jeph Loeb and artist Tim Sale have teamed up for some of the most memorable and stylish Batman stories of all time, starting with the holiday-spanning murder mystery *Batman: The Long Halloween*. The pair have reunited with *Batman: The Long Halloween Special*, a brand-new story that continues their saga and uncovers long-buried Gotham City secrets.

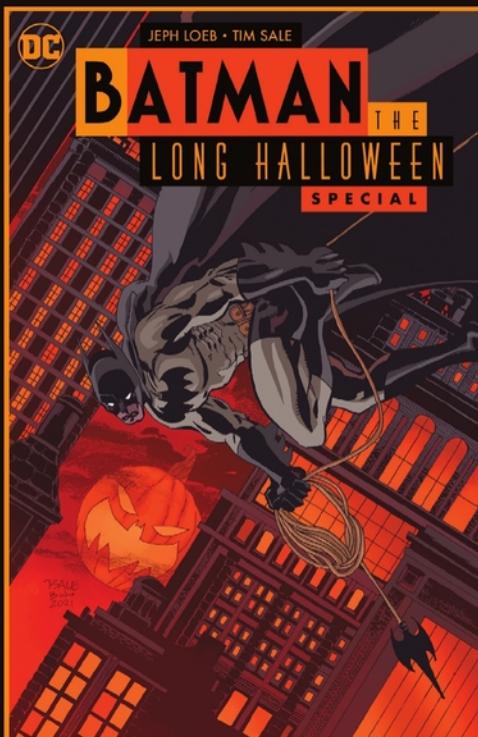
Need to catch up? Loeb and Sale's past Bat-collaborations are available as collected editions that, appropriately enough, make for engrossing reading all year round.

BATMAN: DARK VICTORY

The sequel to *The Long Halloween*, the 14-part *Dark Victory* picks up just a few months later and introduces Dick Grayson to Loeb and Sale's visionary take on Batman's world, as he takes on the mantle of Robin for the first time. *Dark Victory* finds Batman pursuing a new mysterious killer—the Hangman—as Two-Face's ascent in the crime world puts him at odds with the Falcone family.

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SON OF ULTRON

"THIS FAN...
THIS MONSTER!"

