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# ∀JELLYFISH

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A NEVER-  
ENDING  
DREAM.  
EVEN NOW.

IT'S  
BEEN...

SINCE  
THAT DAY  
...

THE DAY I  
MET  
GRIFFITH





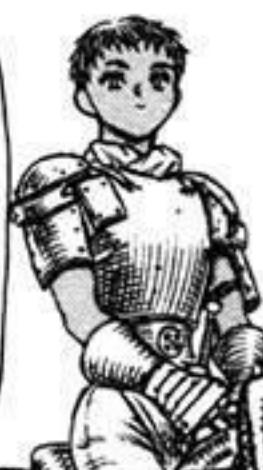
IS A MIRACLE

A  
MIRACLE

EVENTUALLY,  
I GREW  
STRONG  
ENOUGH TO  
BE A  
SOLDIER



AT THAT  
TIME THE  
HAWKS  
WERE  
SERVING  
THIS  
BARON



YES, TO  
ME...  
GRIFFITH

VERY  
RICH.  
HE GETS  
WHATEVER  
HE  
WANTS.



HE'S A  
WELL-  
KNOWN  
NOBLE

HE HAD  
THIS SICK  
OBSESSION



BUT THERE  
WAS A  
RUMOR  
ABOUT HIM

ONLY CUTE  
LITTLE  
BOYS; HE  
IMPRISONED  
THEM IN THE  
CASTLE

HE WOULD  
PICK UP  
YOUNG BOYS  
FROM NEARBY  
VILLAGES AND  
KEEP THEM  
WITH HIM

BECAUSE  
ONCE, I HAD  
ALMOST  
BECOME LIKE  
ONE THOSE  
BOYS

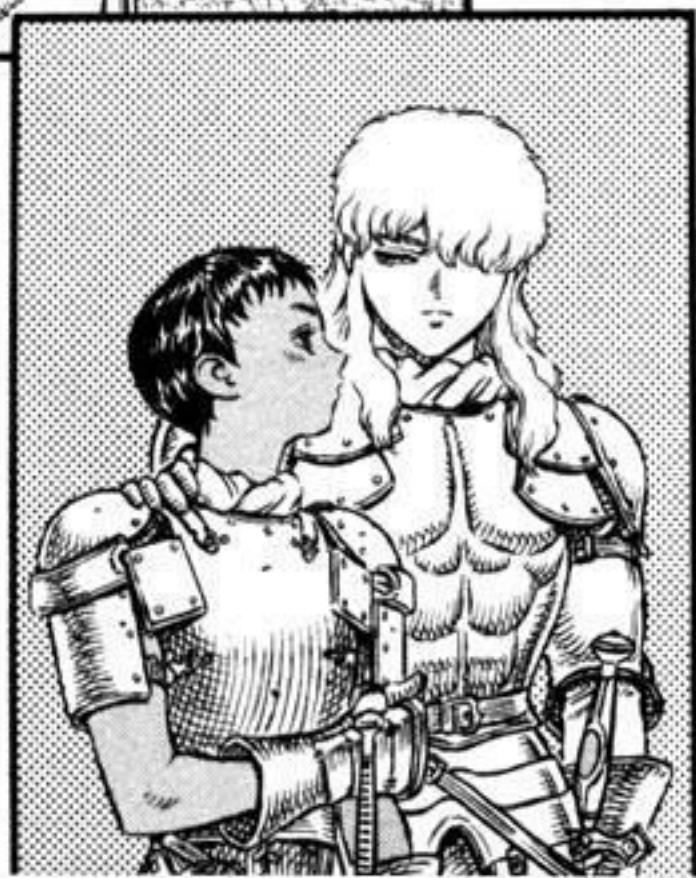
MY OWN  
HORRIBLE  
AND  
DISGUST-  
ING  
MEMORY  
WAS  
BOthering  
ME

EYES  
EMPTY OF  
ALL FEEL-  
INGS, BUT  
FEAR.

ALL  
THE  
BOYS  
HAD...

BUT  
STILL, I  
FELT A  
COLD  
CHILL  
IN MY  
SPINE

NOWA-  
DAYS,  
THINGS  
LIKE THAT  
ARE  
PROBABLY  
COMMON



HE PLACED  
HIS HAND ON  
MY SHOULDER

...  
I STOPPED  
SHAKING...  
IT WAS  
AMAZING

BUT  
JUST  
THEN...

AFTER  
SEVERAL  
BATTLES

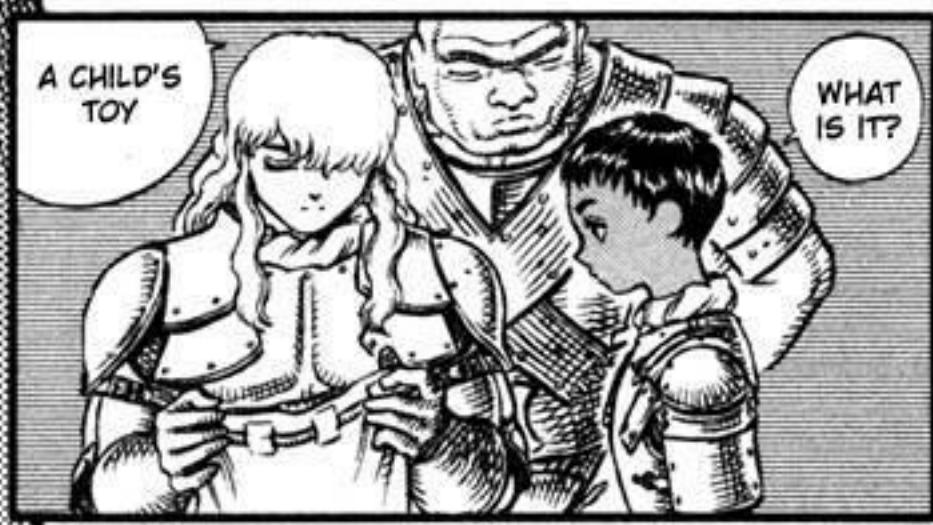
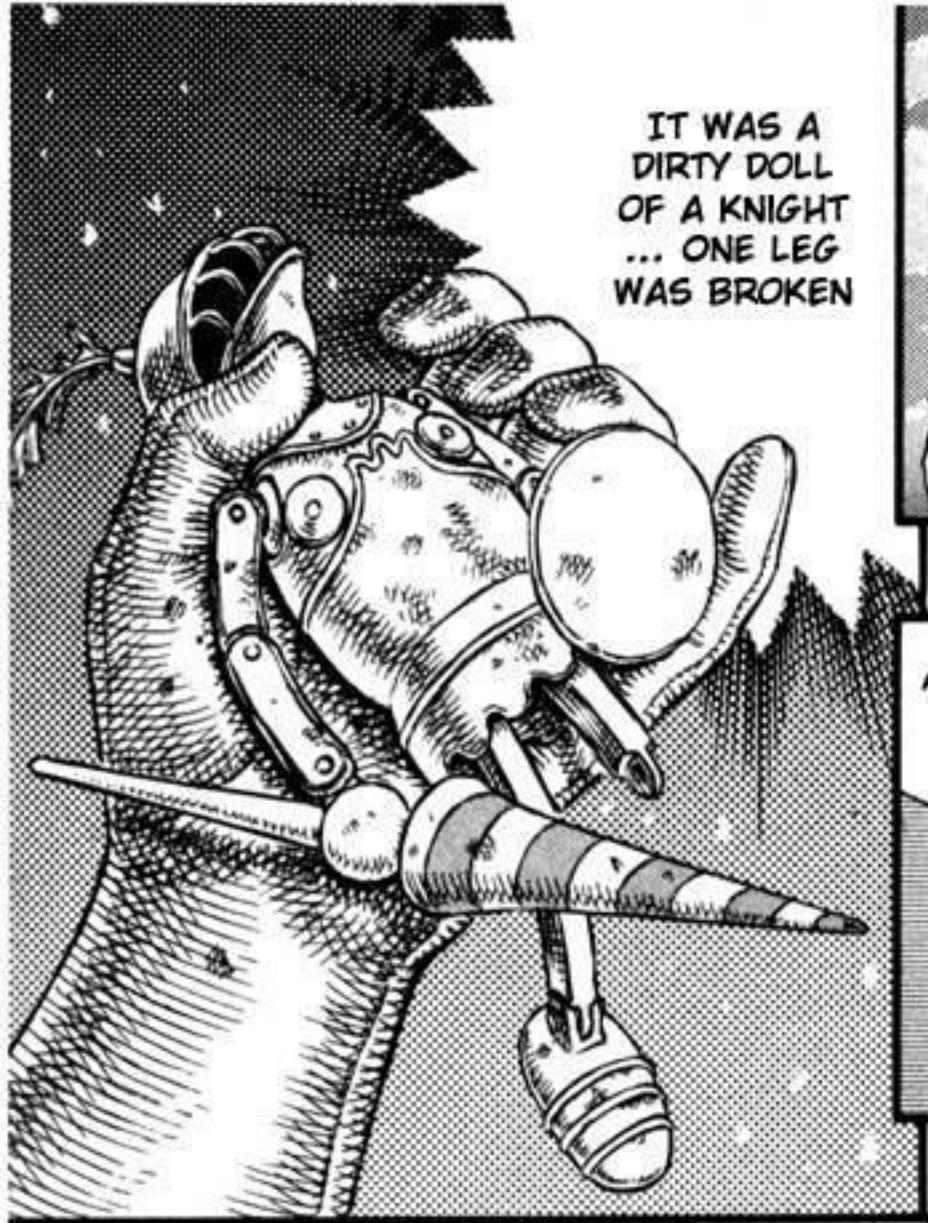
LATER  
ON...

IT WAS THE  
BOY WHO  
HAD JOINED  
THE HAWKS  
HALF A YEAR  
AGO TO TRAIN

HE WAS  
ONLY ABOUT  
10. JUST A  
NAMELESS  
KID

NO ONE CARED TO  
LOOK AT THE  
CORPSE OF A  
SOLDIER IN TRAIN-  
ING THAT HAD DIED  
ON THE BATTLE-  
FIELD

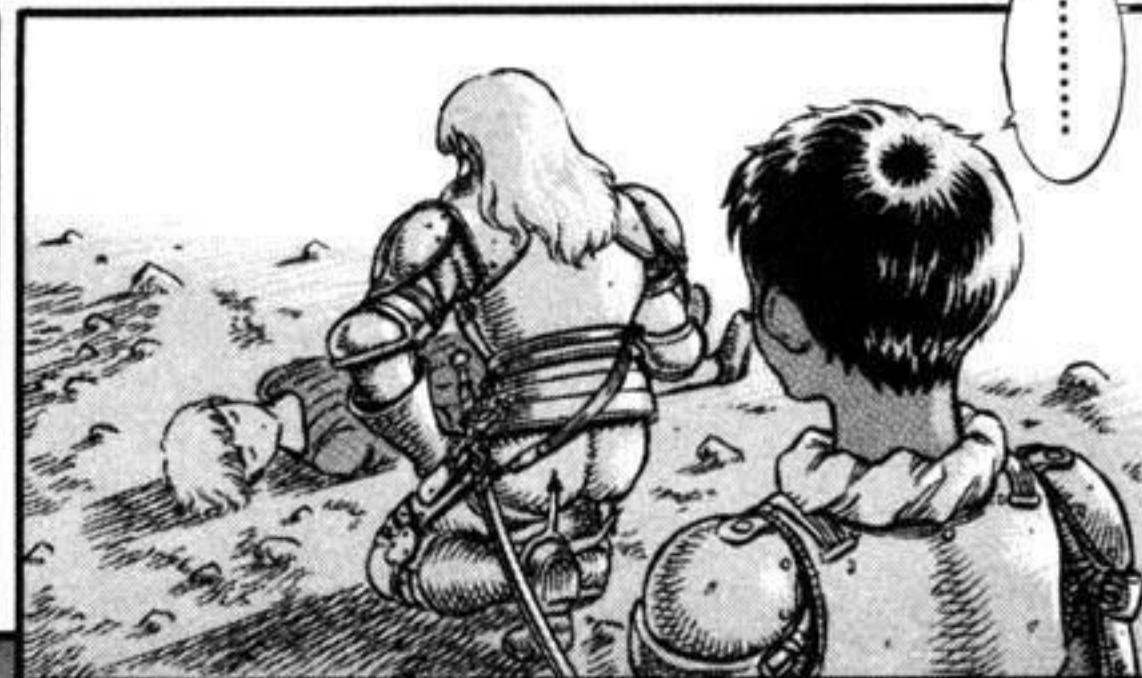
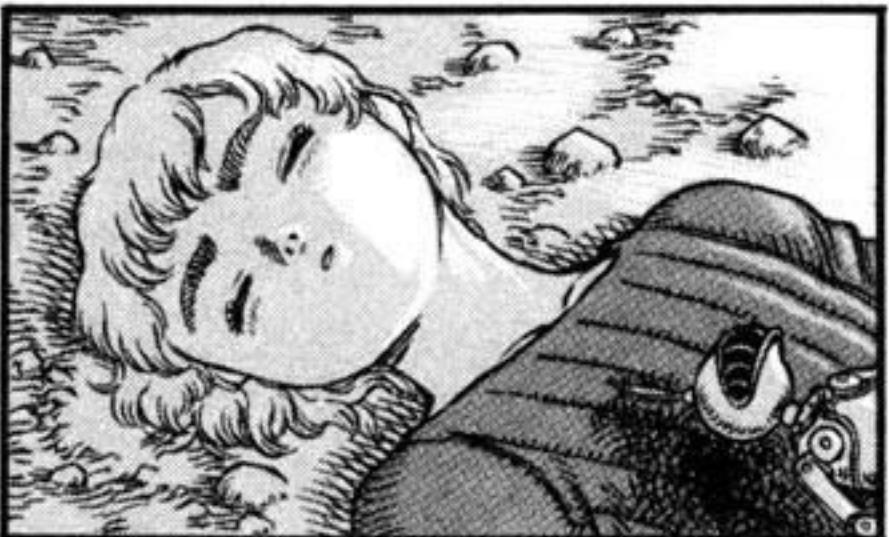
BUT...  
GRIFFITH  
FOUND HIM

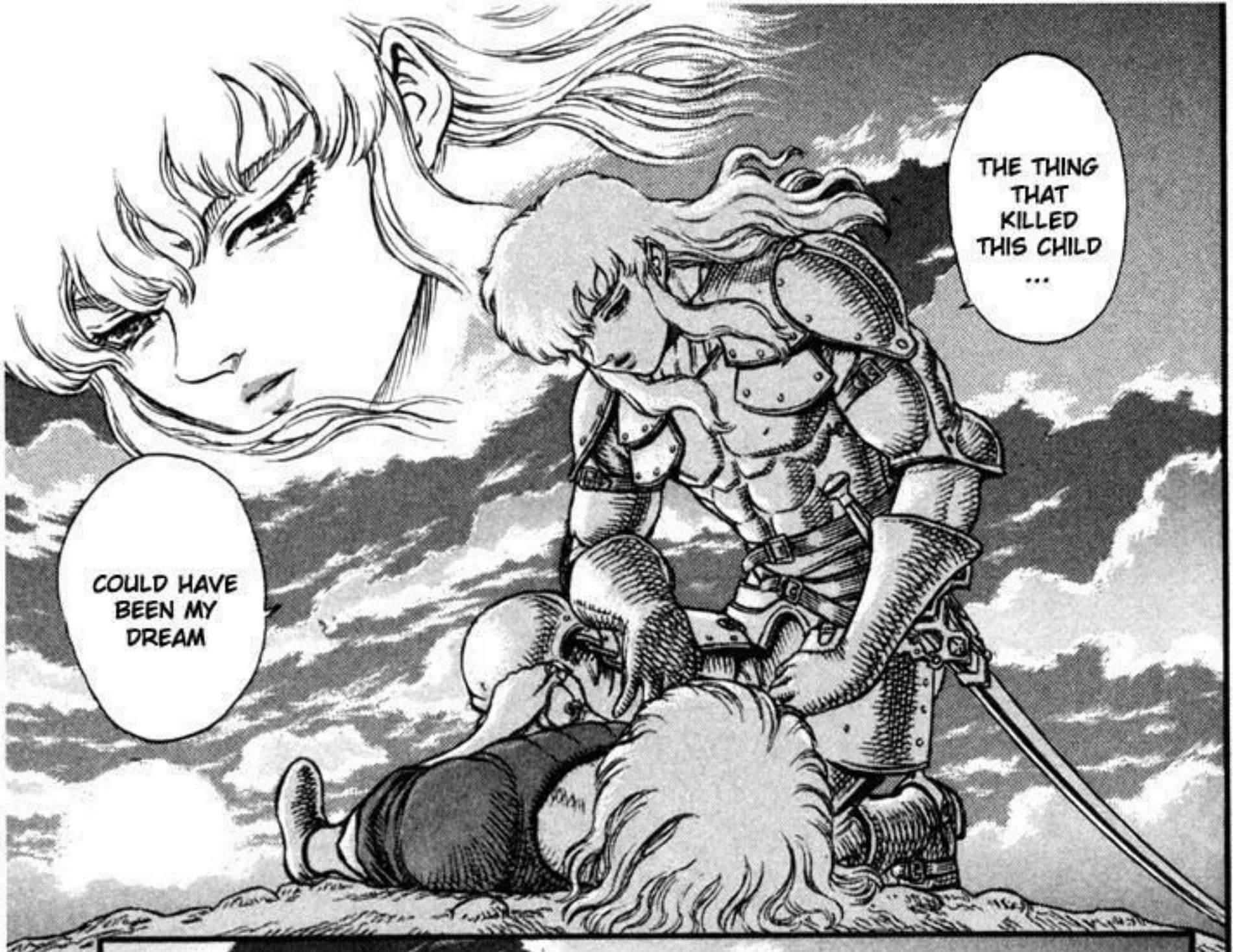


I WERE  
THE HERO  
OF A  
STORY

HE  
ALWAYS  
LOOKED  
AT ME AS  
IF...

I  
REMEMBER  
HIM WELL





COULD HAVE  
BEEN MY  
DREAM

THE THING  
THAT  
KILLED  
THIS CHILD  
...



TO SAY  
A WORD  
...

I WAS  
UNABLE  
...

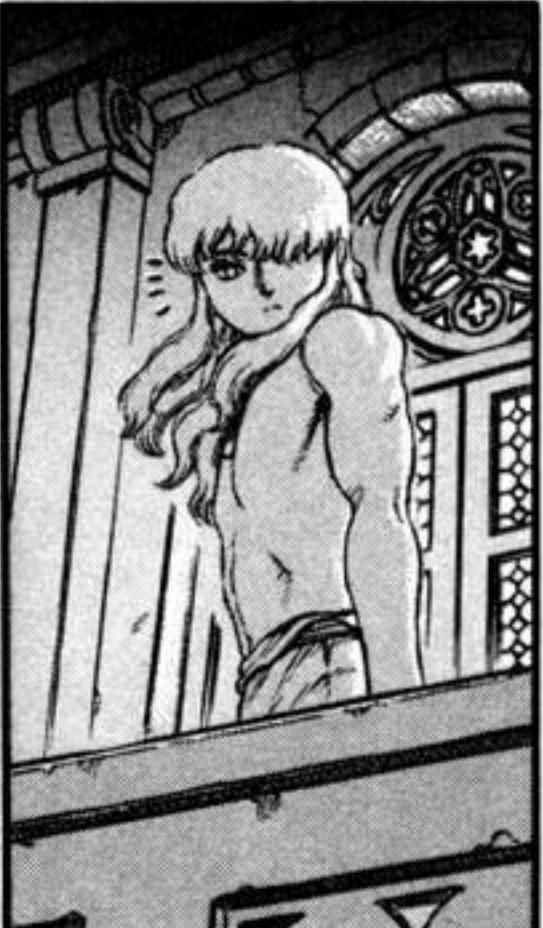
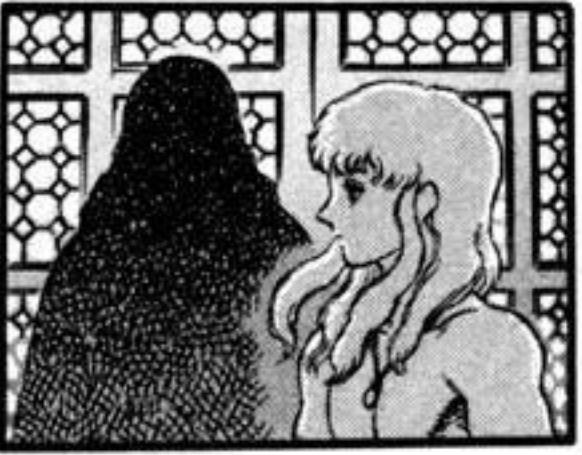
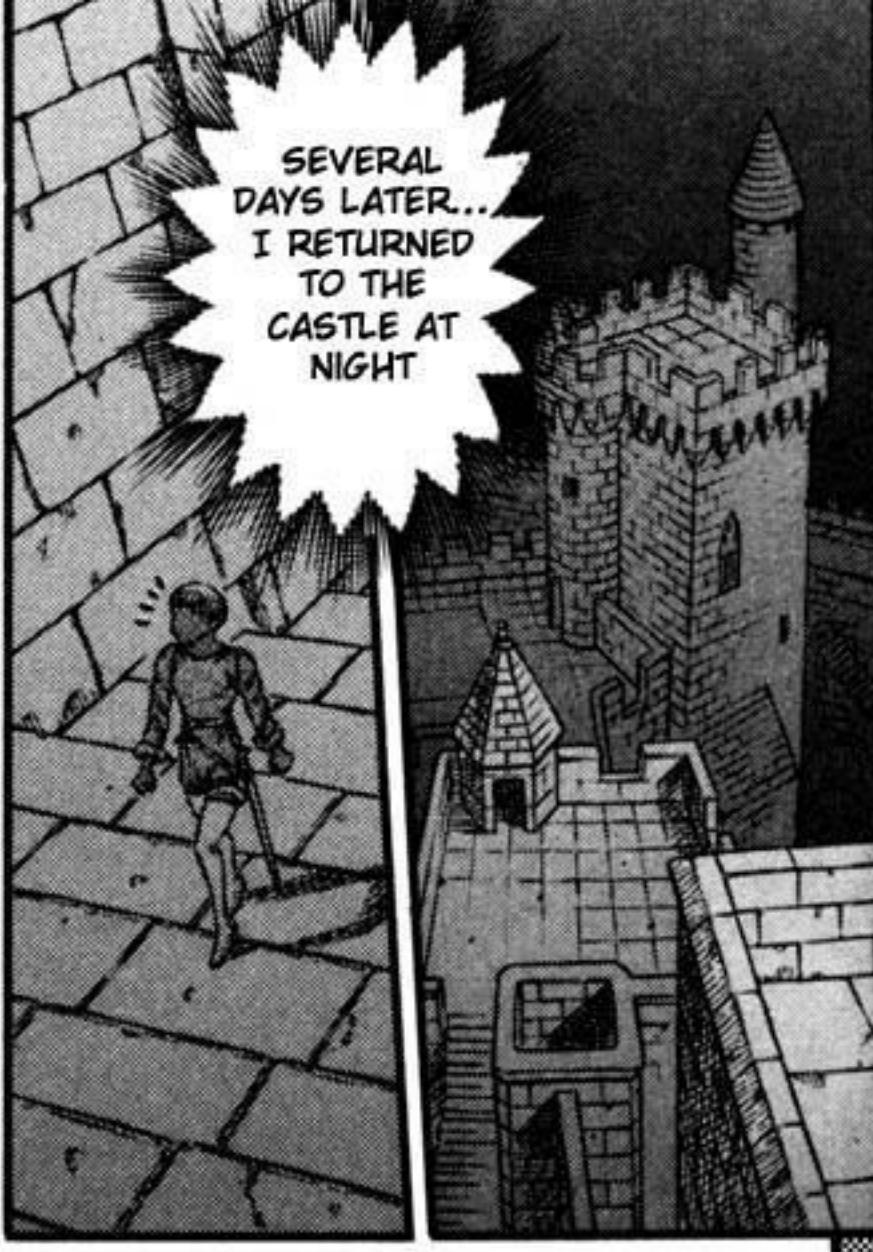


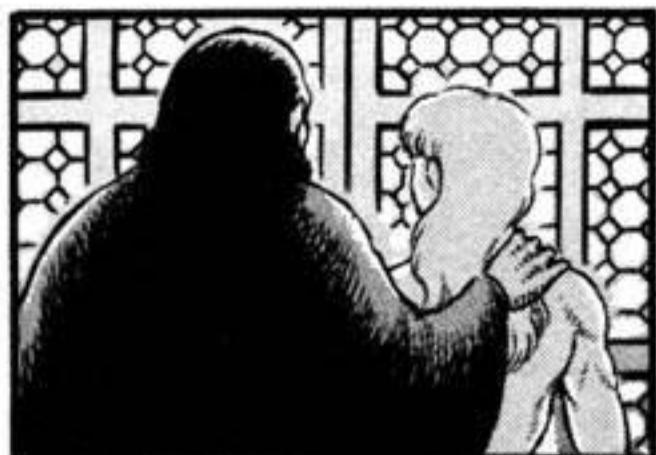
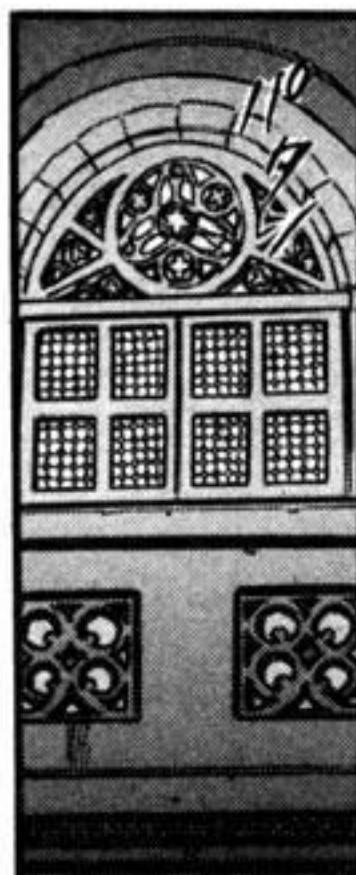
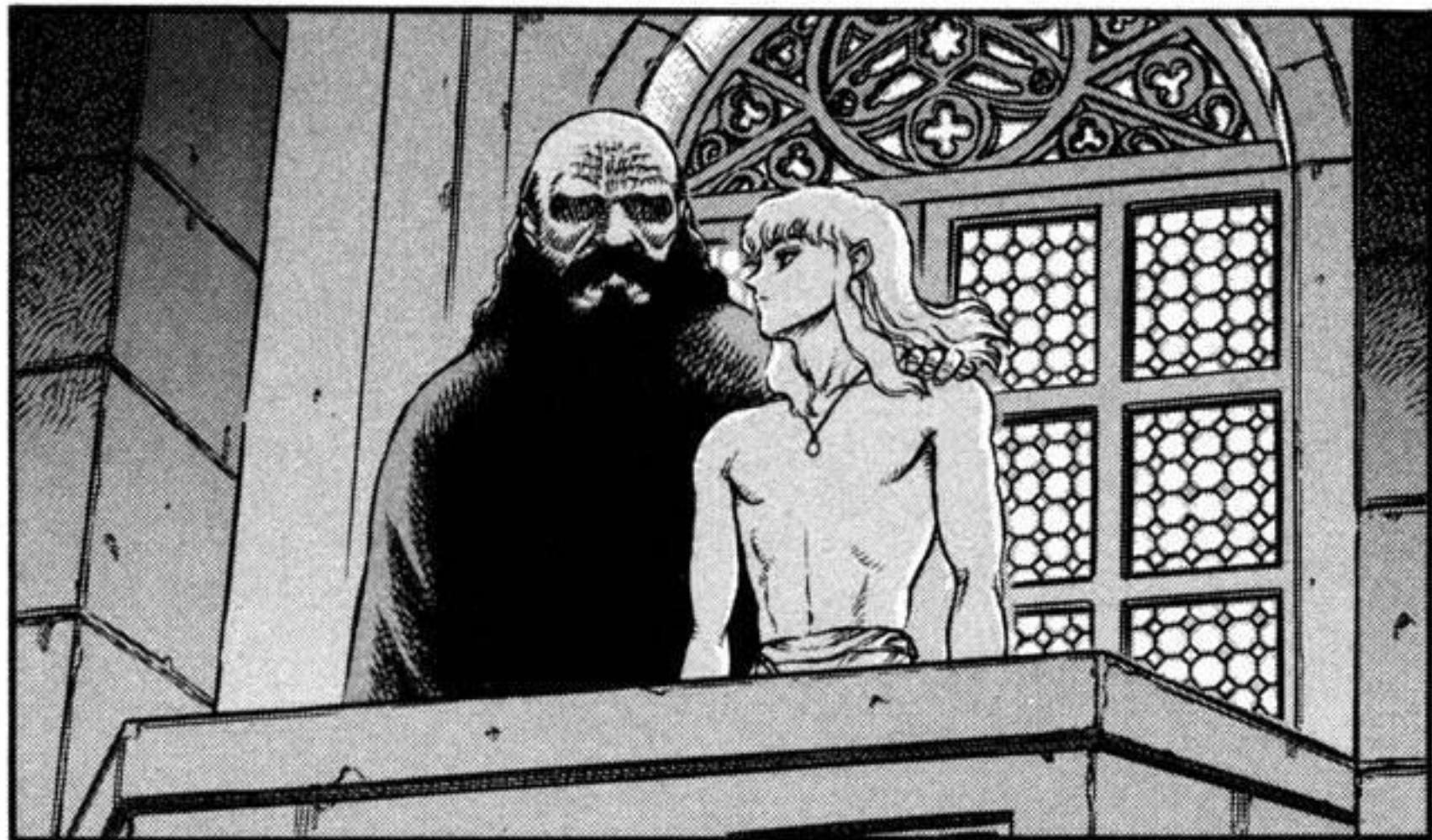
SORROW  
...

GRAFFITH  
IN A  
STATE  
OF

I HAD  
NEVER  
SEEN  
GRAFFITH  
LIKE THAT  
BEFORE

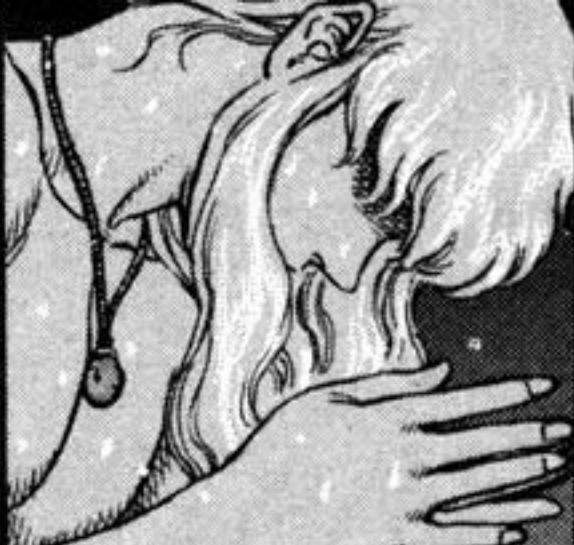
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MONEY

ESPECIALLY  
SINCE THE  
BAND OF THE  
HAWKS IS  
GROWING

THAT'S WHY  
OUR ARMY  
HAS TO HAVE  
MONEY

AN ARMY  
NEEDS  
MONEY  
YOU  
KNOW?

SOLDIER'S  
PAY,  
HORSES,  
FOOD,  
CLOTHING...  
THOSE  
AREN'T FREE



EH?

CAN'T WE JUST DO  
WHAT WE'VE BEEN  
DOING?  
WINNING BATTLES?

ONE DAY,  
WE'LL  
HAVE  
ENOUGH  
MONEY

BUT  
STILL  
...

DOING  
THAT...

I'M  
INTER-  
ESTED  
IN HIS  
MONEY

THAT  
OLD  
BARON,  
WAS  
INTER-  
ESTED IN  
ME



BESIDES  
...

IT WOULD  
TAKE TOO  
LONG

IT WAS  
"QUID  
PRO  
QUO"

