

# THE ARCHMAGE

RETURNS AFTER.

# 4000

YEARS

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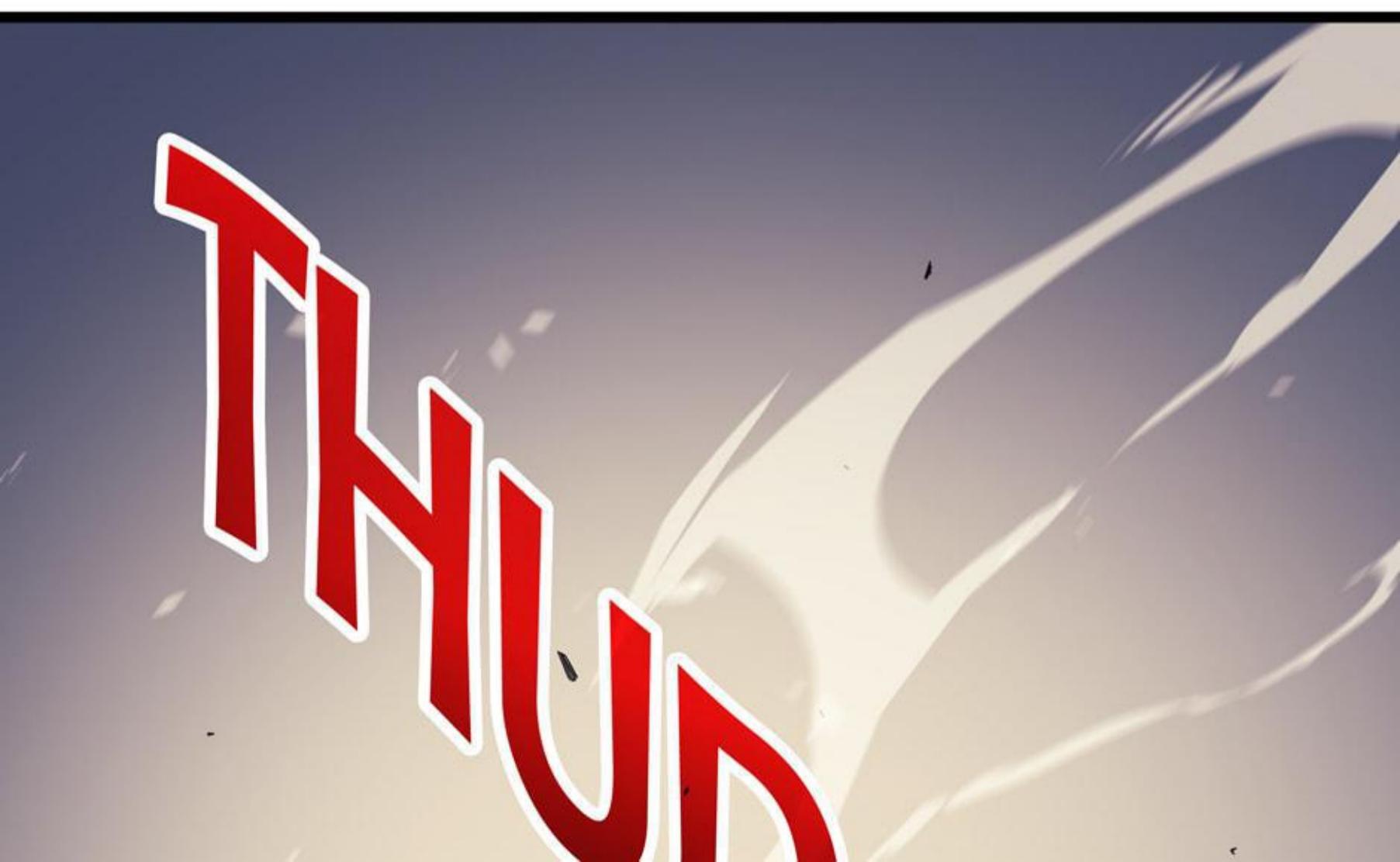


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UGH!



THUD

HAA

TCH...  
YOU GOT ME.

HAA



IT JUST MEANS  
I'VE GOTTEN USED TO  
YOUR MOVEMENTS  
NOW.





DON'T BE  
RIDICULOUS. I WAS  
UNDERESTIMATING  
YOU.

HAA

IT REALLY  
WORKS!



HAA

THIS IS  
AMAZING!

IT'S A LOT  
EASIER TO CONTROL  
IT WITH THE TECHNIQUES  
YOU'VE TAUGHT US,  
LADY ISABEL!

YOU ARE  
AMAZING, LADY  
ISABEL!



YOU ARE ALL EXAGGERATING.  
THIS IS ALL THANKS TO YOUR OWN EFFORTS.

ISABEL'S LESSONS ARE PRECISE AND EASY TO UNDERSTAND.

IT SEEMS THE REST OF THE DARK ELVES HAVE REALLY OPENED UP TO HER.

THAT'S NICE.

HOW IS THE  
ELIXIR COMING  
ALONG?

I WAS TOLD  
IT SHOULD BE  
FINISHED BY THIS  
EVENING.

THEN YOU'RE  
ALMOST THERE!



YOU'LL  
REACH TIER 7...

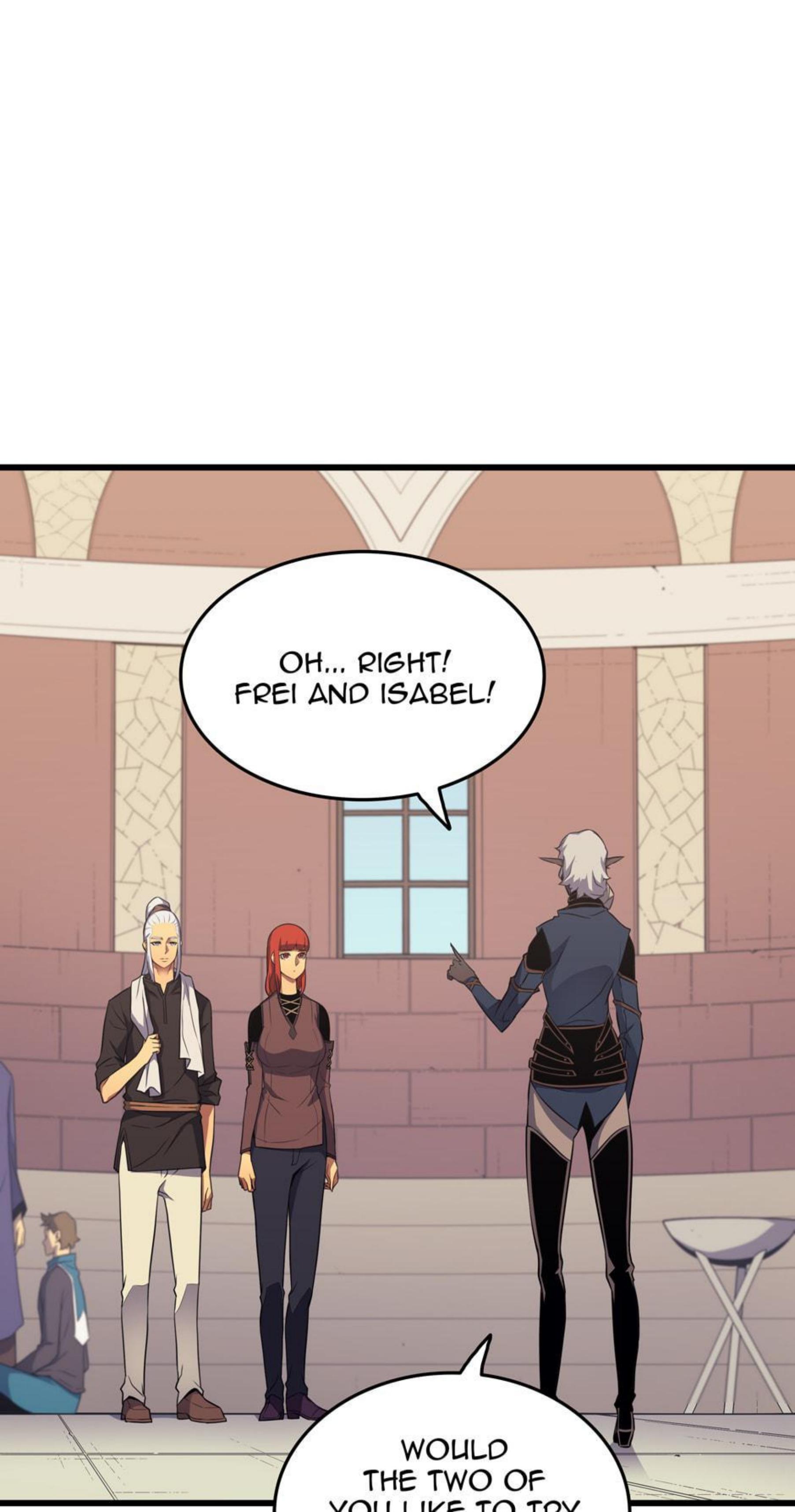




IT'S ONLY  
THE BEGINNING.  
I'VE GOT A LONG  
ROAD AHEAD.



TIER 7...?



OH... RIGHT!  
FREI AND ISABEL!

WOULD  
THE TWO OF  
YOU LIKE TO TRY

DO YOU LIKE TO TRY  
OUT ELEMENTAL  
SUMMONING?

OH...

ELEMENTAL?!

I'M SURE IF  
YOU HAVE A SOURCE

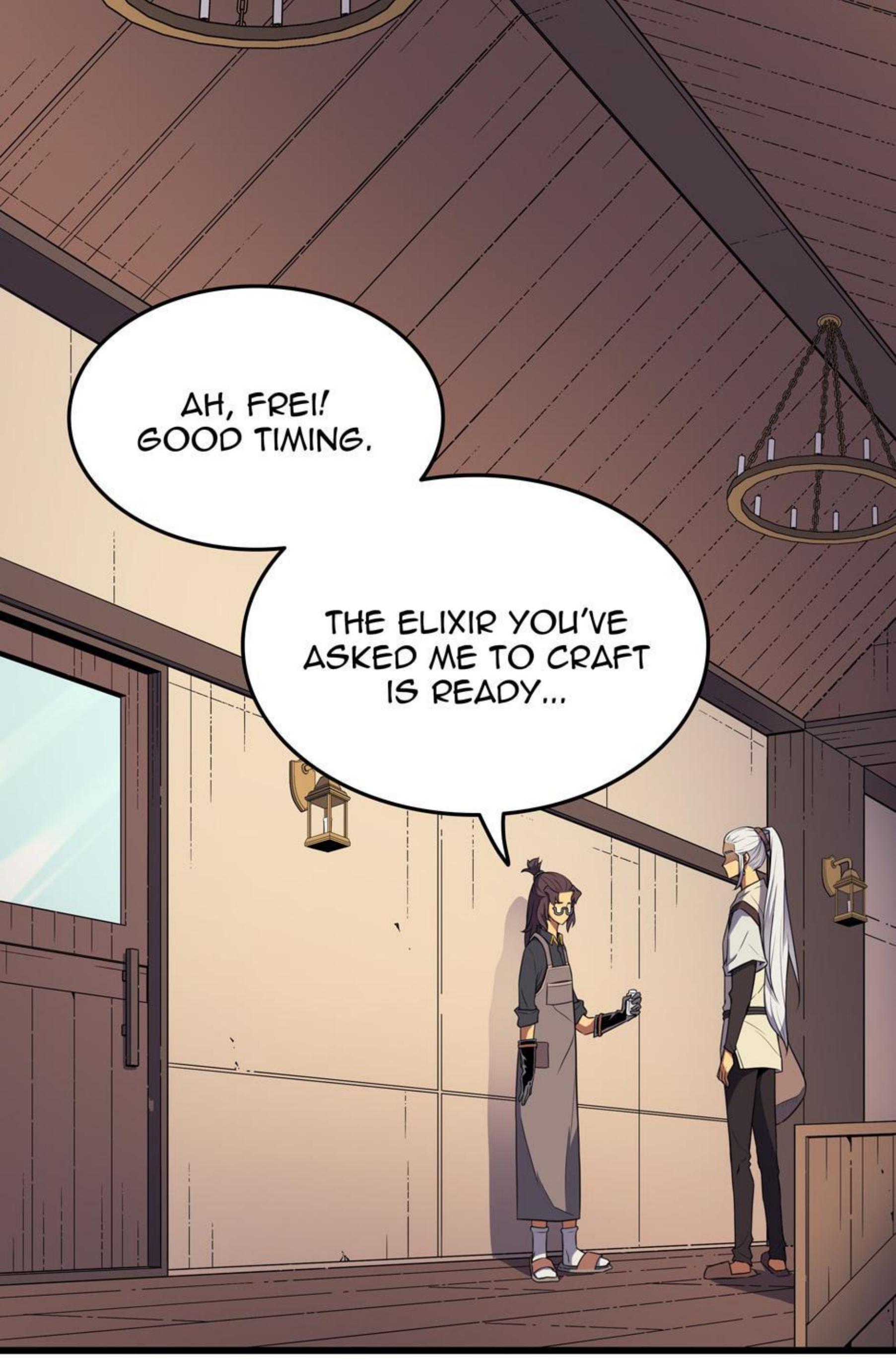
YOU MAKE A CONTRACT  
WITH AN ELEMENTAL THAT  
SUITS YOU, IT WILL BE OF  
GREAT HELP IN THE  
FUTURE.

YOU TAUGHT  
MY KIDS THE ART OF  
MAGIC, SO IN RETURN  
I'LL TEACH YOU...

THE TRADITIONAL

DARK ELF METHODS  
OF SUMMONING AN  
ELEMENTAL.

PROFESSOR  
ADELIA, I'M BACK.



AH, FREI!  
GOOD TIMING.

THE ELIXIR YOU'VE  
ASKED ME TO CRAFT  
IS READY...





BUT ARE YOU  
SERIOUSLY  
THINKING OF  
DRINKING  
THIS?

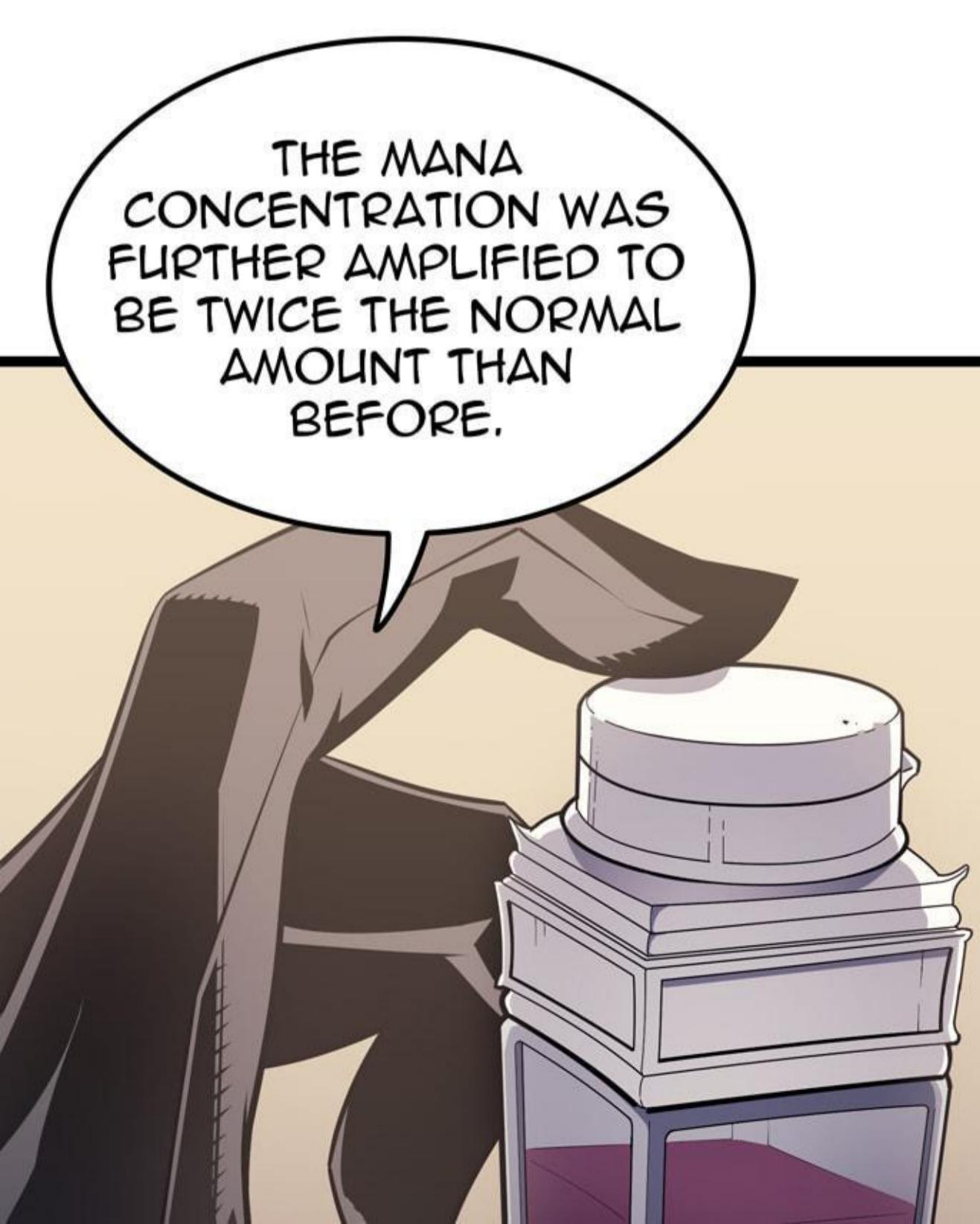
I STRONGLY  
ADVISE YOU  
NOT TO...

DID YOU FAIL?



NO, ON  
THE CONTRARY.  
IT'S QUITE THE  
OPPOSITE.

THE POTION WAS  
AN OVERWHELMING  
SUCCESS.



THE MANA  
CONCENTRATION WAS  
FURTHER AMPLIFIED TO  
BE TWICE THE NORMAL  
AMOUNT THAN  
BEFORE.



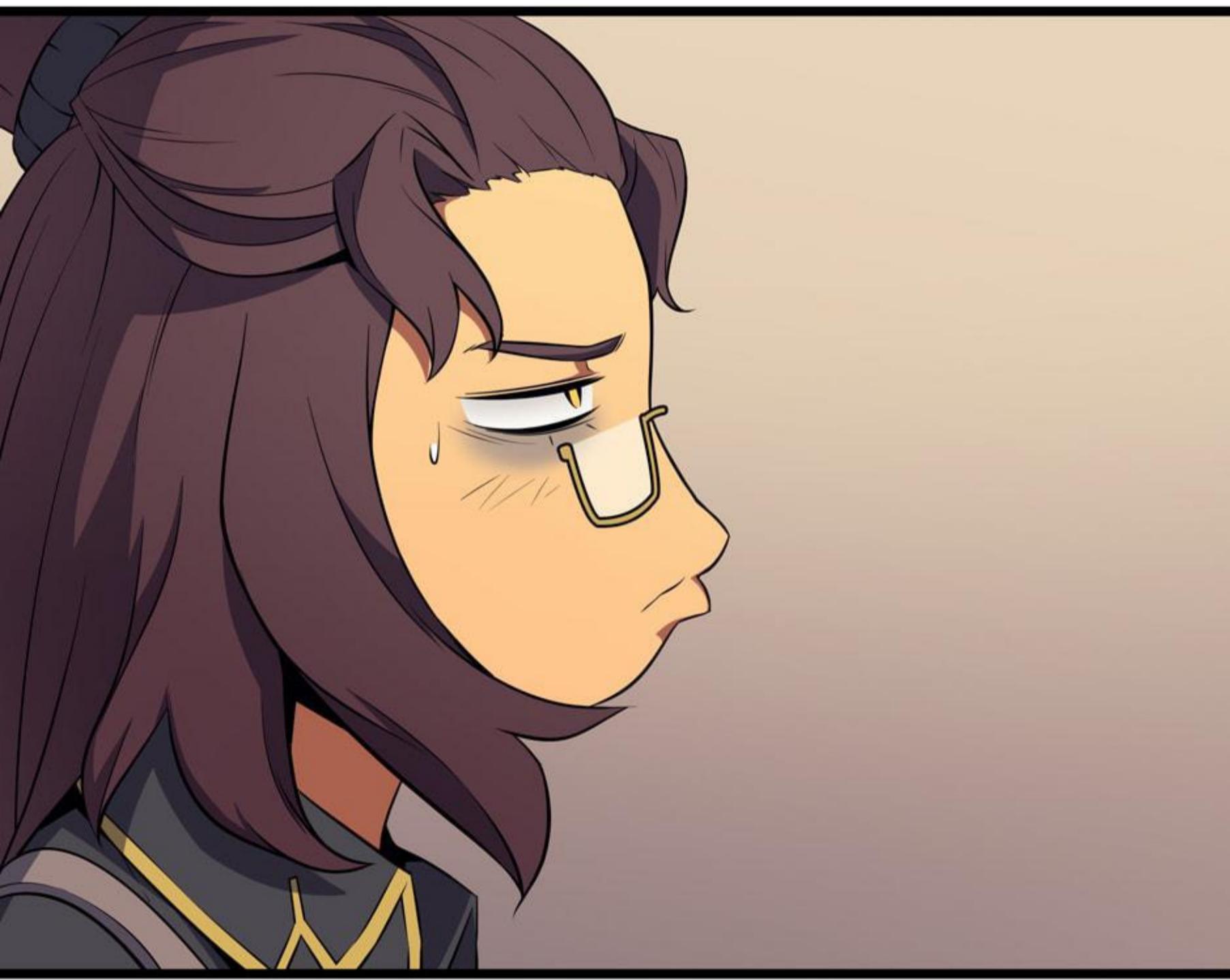
BUT CARELESSLY  
DRINKING IT WILL  
MELT YOU DOWN TO  
THE MARROWS OF  
YOUR BONE.

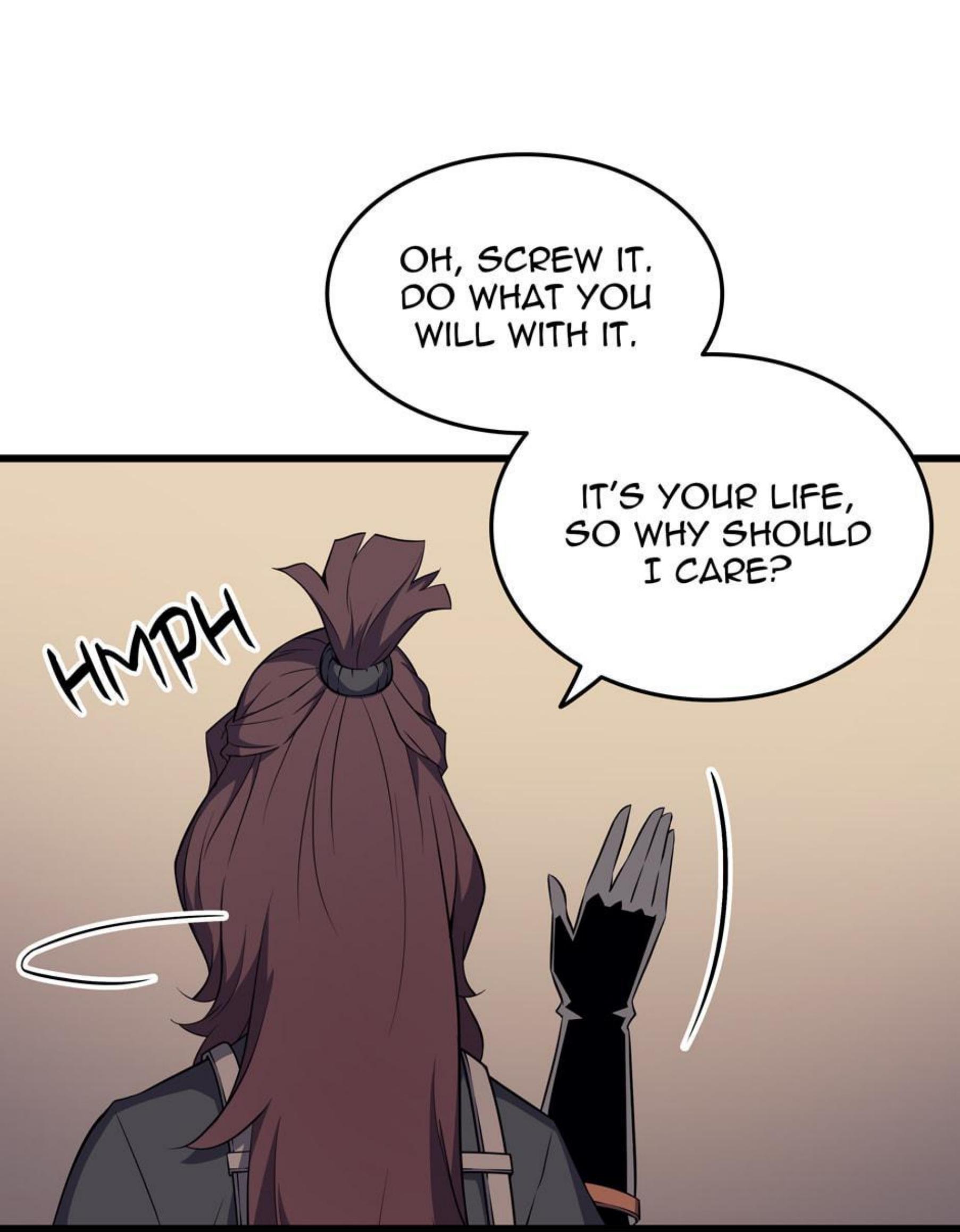
HAHAHA!

NOW THAT'S  
WHAT I WANTED  
TO HEAR!

TUP







OH, SCREW IT.  
DO WHAT YOU  
WILL WITH IT.

IT'S YOUR LIFE,  
SO WHY SHOULD  
I CARE?

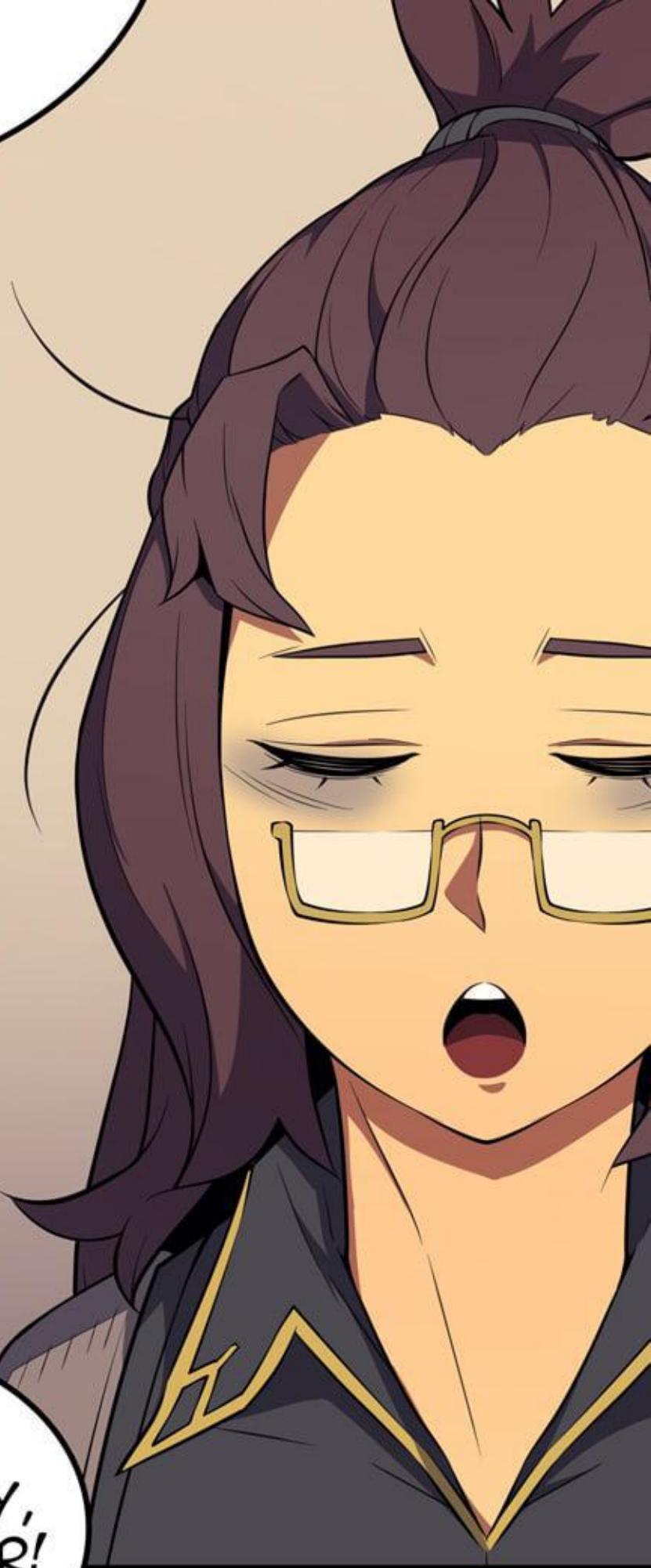


JUST DON'T  
COME HAUNTING ME  
IN MY SLEEP WHEN  
YOU'RE DEAD,  
GOT IT?

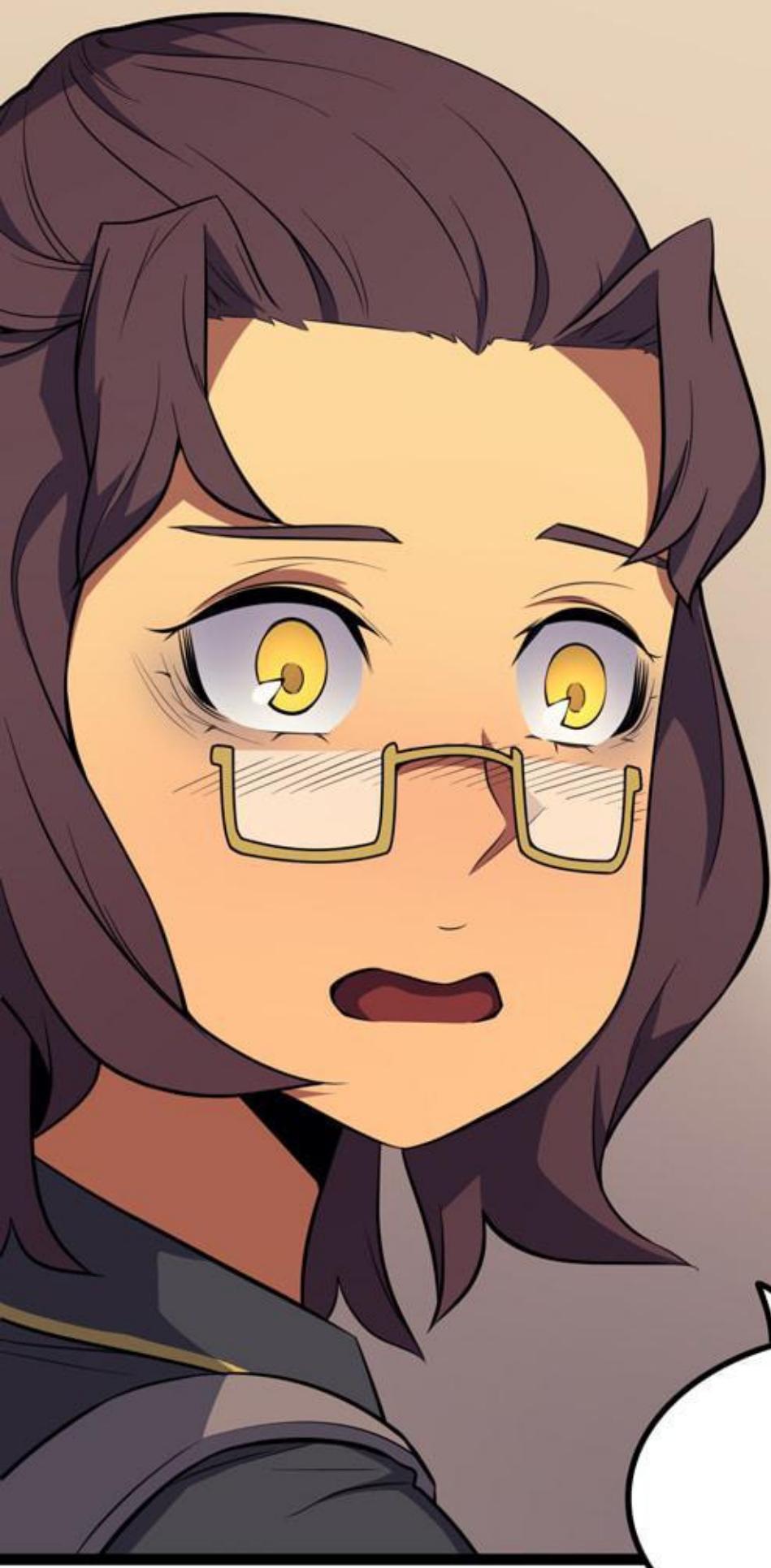
GOT IT?



BY THE WAY,  
PROFESSOR!



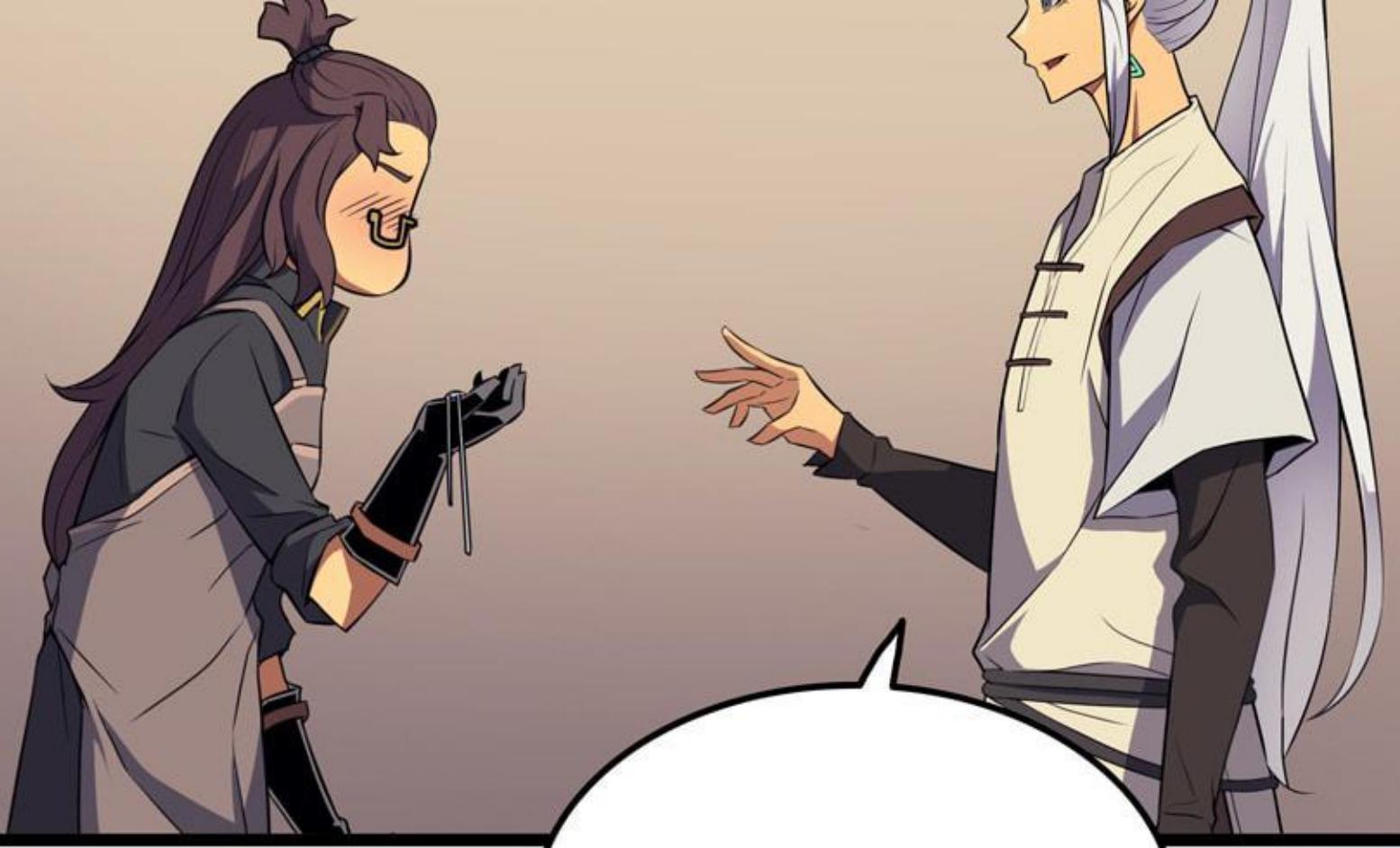
THIS IS JUST A  
LITTLE THANK YOU  
GIFT FOR YOUR  
TROUBLES.



HUUH...?

WHA-WHAT  
IS THE MEANING  
OF THIS...?





IT'S THE  
EIZ AMULET.

Y-YOU...!  
WHAT ARE YOU  
THINKING?!



HUH?

I-I'M A  
PROFESSOR  
AND YOU'RE A  
STUDENT!!

TH-THIS IS A  
FORBIDDEN AFFAIR!  
THE WORLD WON'T  
ACCEPT SUCH A  
TABOO!!

UM...  
PROFESSOR...?

I, ERR...  
DON'T REALLY  
KNOW WHAT YOU'RE  
GOING ON ABOUT,  
BUT...

JUST LETTING  
YOU KNOW THAT  
EQUIPPING THAT WILL  
DRASTICALLY IMPROVE  
YOUR CONCENTRATION  
AND FOCUS...



THAT RUBY  
ON THE AMULET  
CAN...

NO, YOU IDIOT!  
W-WE CAN'T BE  
SEEN DOING  
THIS!!





TAKA  
TAKA  
TAKA



THAT RUBY  
ALLOWS YOU TO  
MEASURE MANA MORE  
PRECISELY...

TAKA  
TAKA

TAKH



SHE'S A  
STRANGE WOMAN,  
I'LL GIVE HER  
THAT...







POW SHHH







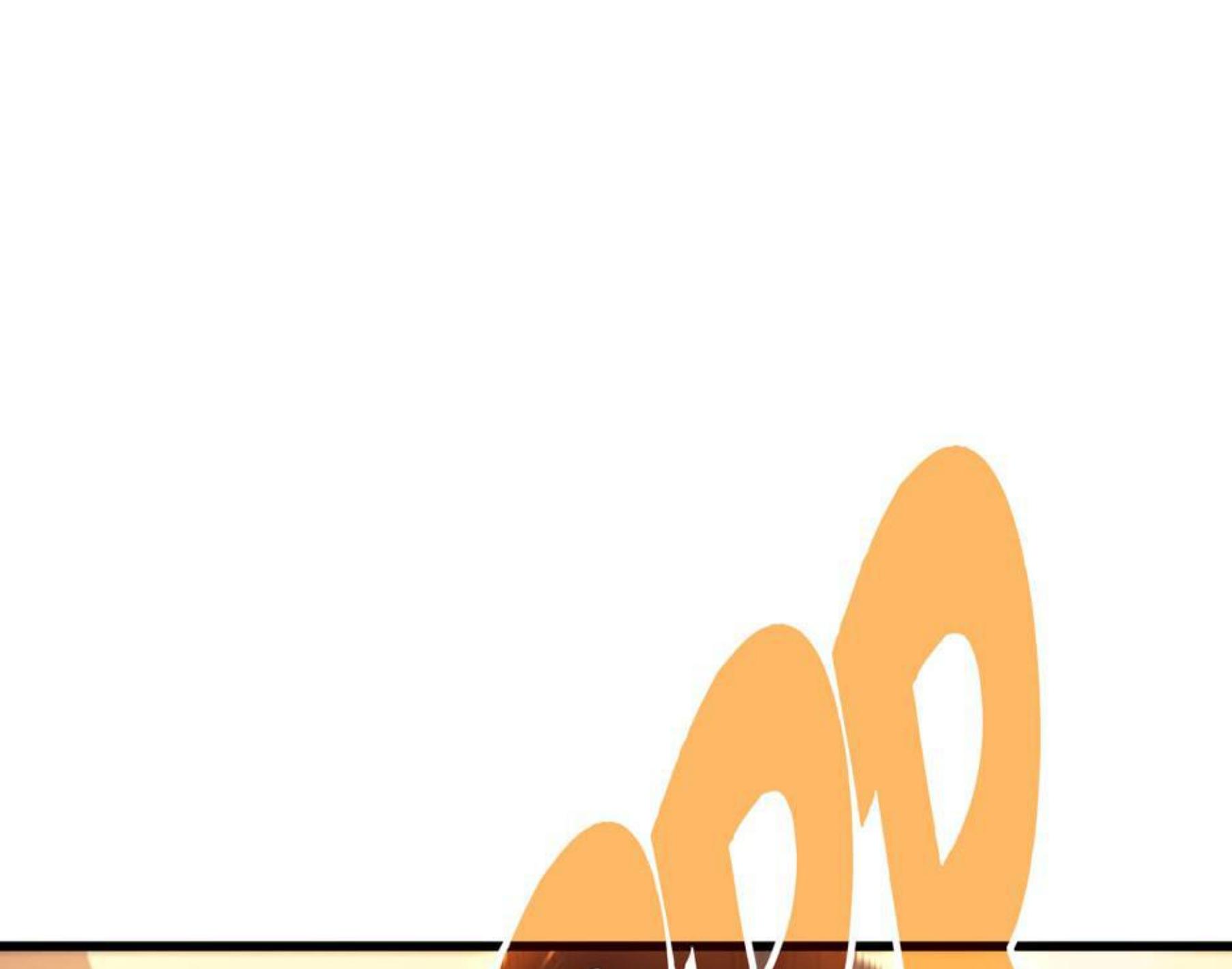
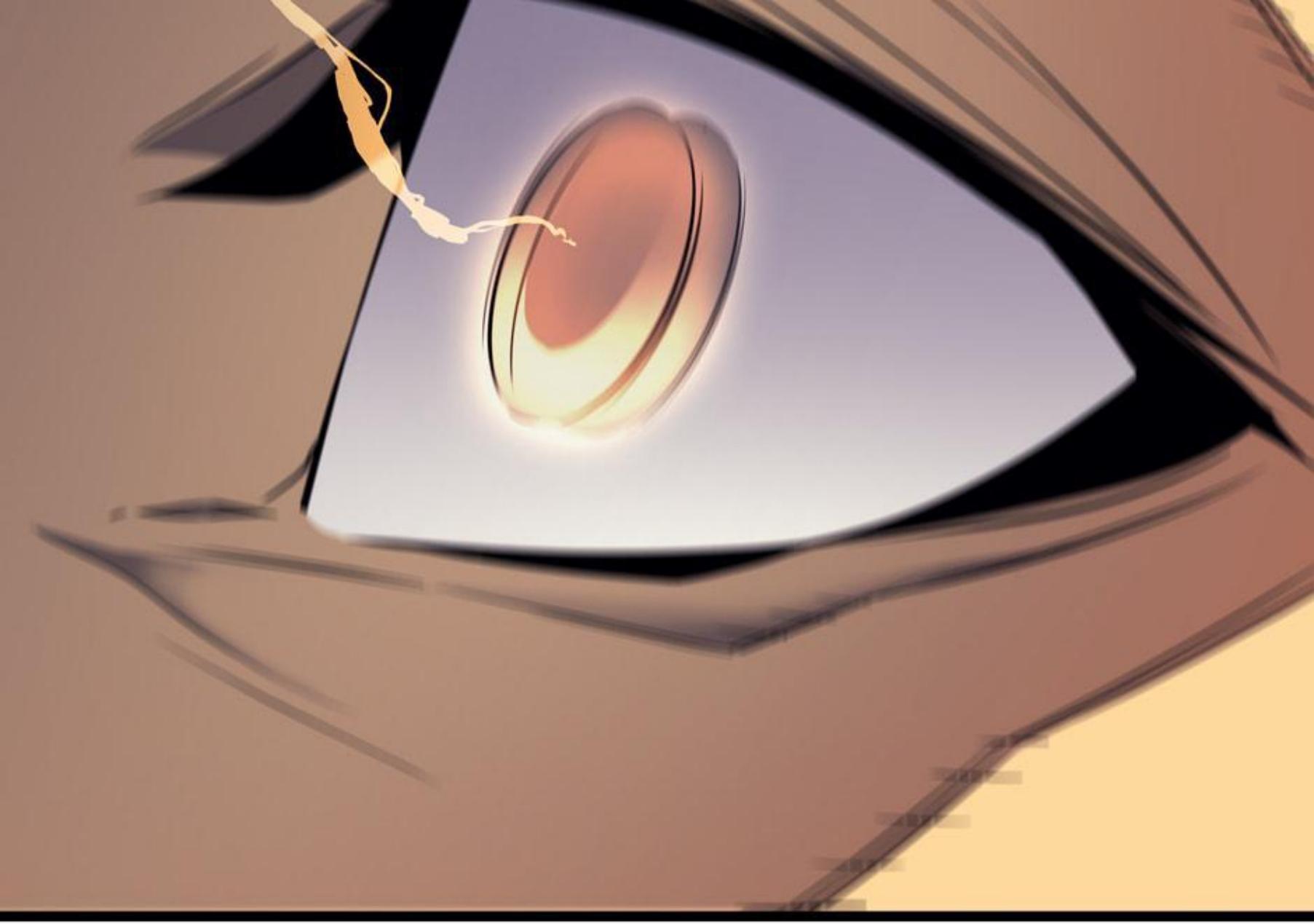








THUMP





SSSH



SAY, ISABEL...

IS REACHING  
TIER 7 AN AMAZING  
FEAT IN THE HUMAN  
WORLD?

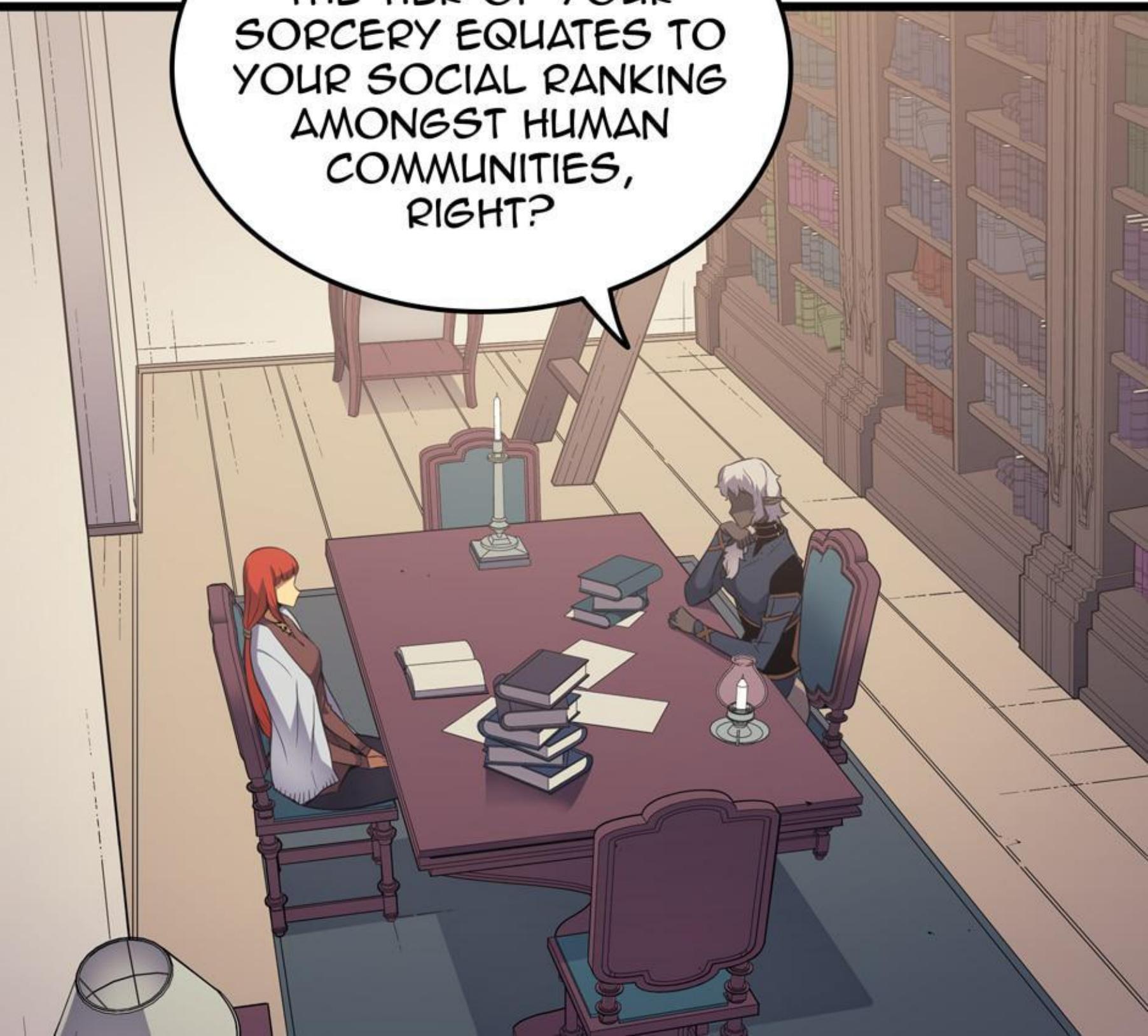
WORLD?

HUH?

WE'VE ONLY

WE'VE ONE,  
STARTED VENTURING  
INTO THE KNOWLEDGE OF  
THE SORCERY PRACTICED BY  
HUMANS, SO I HONESTLY  
CAN'T UNDERSTAND  
THE SYSTEM.

I'M ASSUMING  
THE TIER OF YOUR  
SORCERY EQUATES TO  
YOUR SOCIAL RANKING  
AMONGST HUMAN  
COMMUNITIES,  
RIGHT?



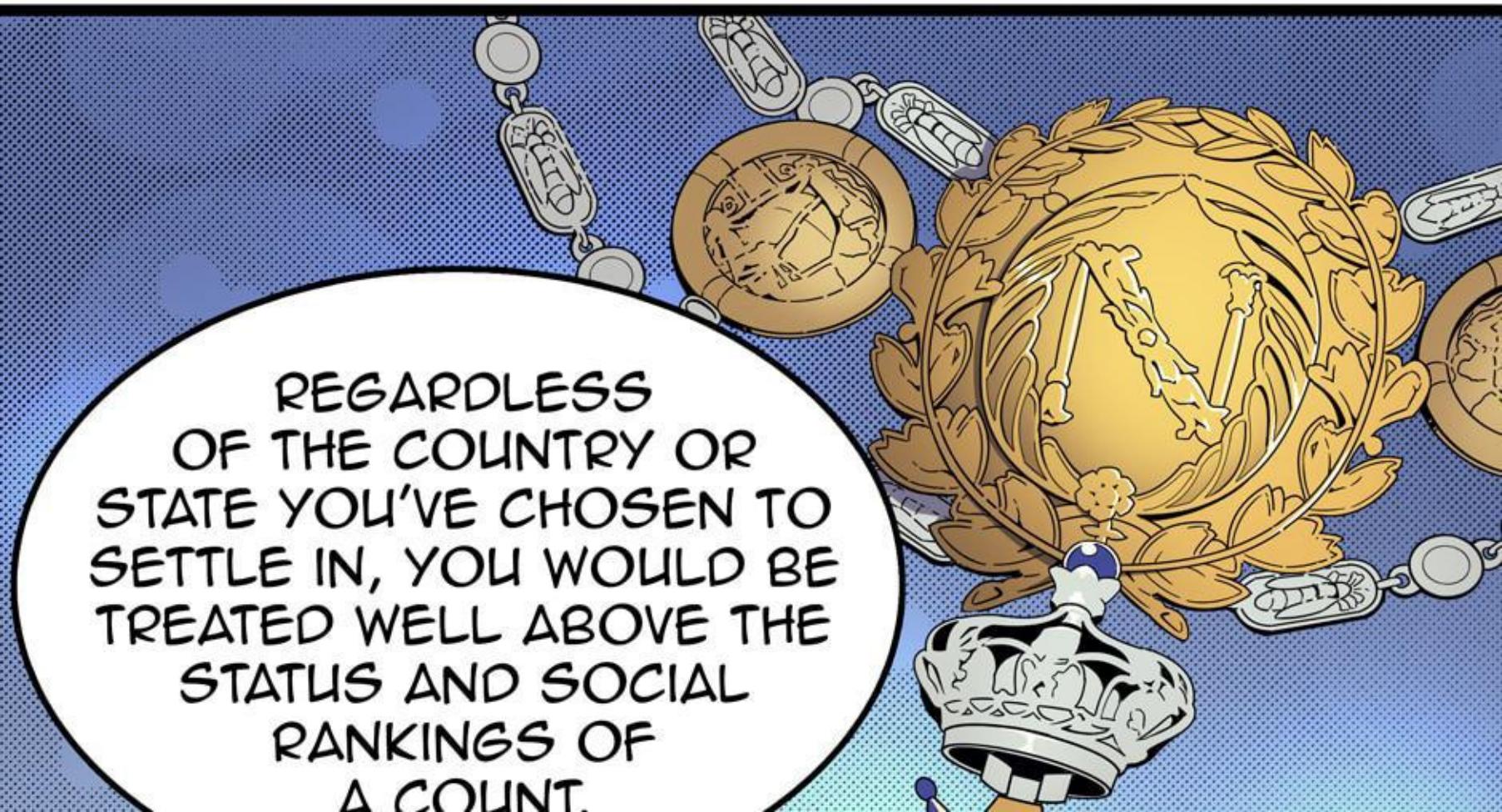


OH,  
I SUPPOSE  
IF I HAD TO  
EXPLAIN IT...

FOR THE 7TH TIER...  
PEOPLE IN THAT BRACKET  
WOULD GENERALLY BE  
REFERRED TO AS AN  
ARCHMAGE.



REGARDLESS  
OF THE COUNTRY OR  
STATE YOU'VE CHOSEN TO  
SETTLE IN, YOU WOULD BE  
TREATED WELL ABOVE THE  
STATUS AND SOCIAL  
RANKINGS OF  
A COUNT.



YOU'LL ALSO  
HAVE YOUR NAME  
ENGRAVED ON THE  
IMPERIAL SLATE.

IN OTHER  
WORDS, YOUR  
NAME WILL FOREVER  
BE RECORDED INTO  
HISTORY.



AH...

SO DOES  
THAT MEAN FREI HAS  
AMBITIONS TO CLIMB  
THE SOCIAL LADDER  
AND BE RECORDED  
IN HISTORY?



FREI...

HE SAID THIS  
IS MERELY THE  
BEGINNING.



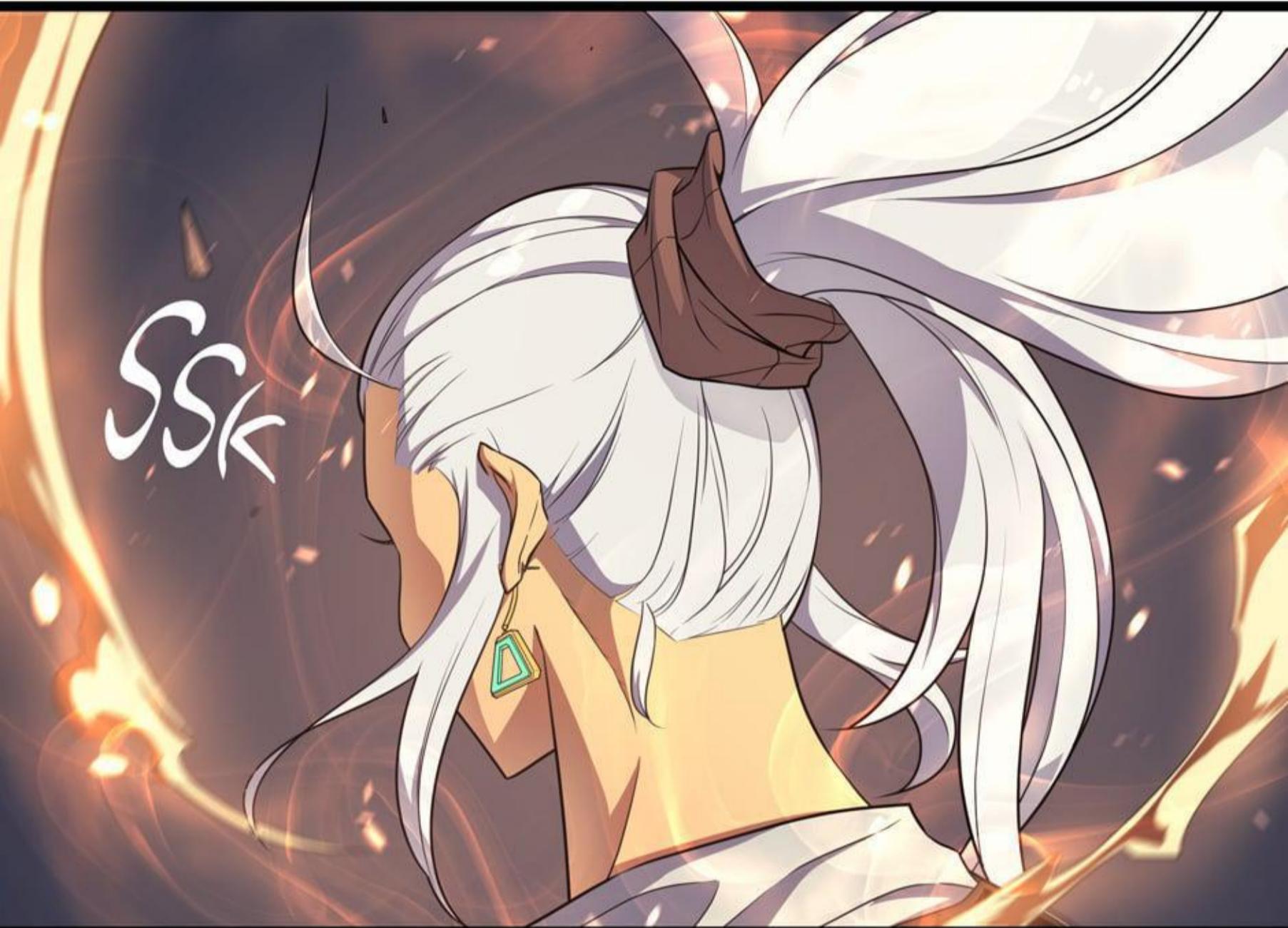
HIS TRUE  
MOTIVES ARE...

A LOT MORE  
AMBITIOUS THAN  
SIMPLY CLIMBING  
SOCIAL LADDERS OR  
BEING REMEMBERED  
BY HISTORY

BY HISTORY....



HIS OBJECTIVE  
IS THE DEMIGOD.

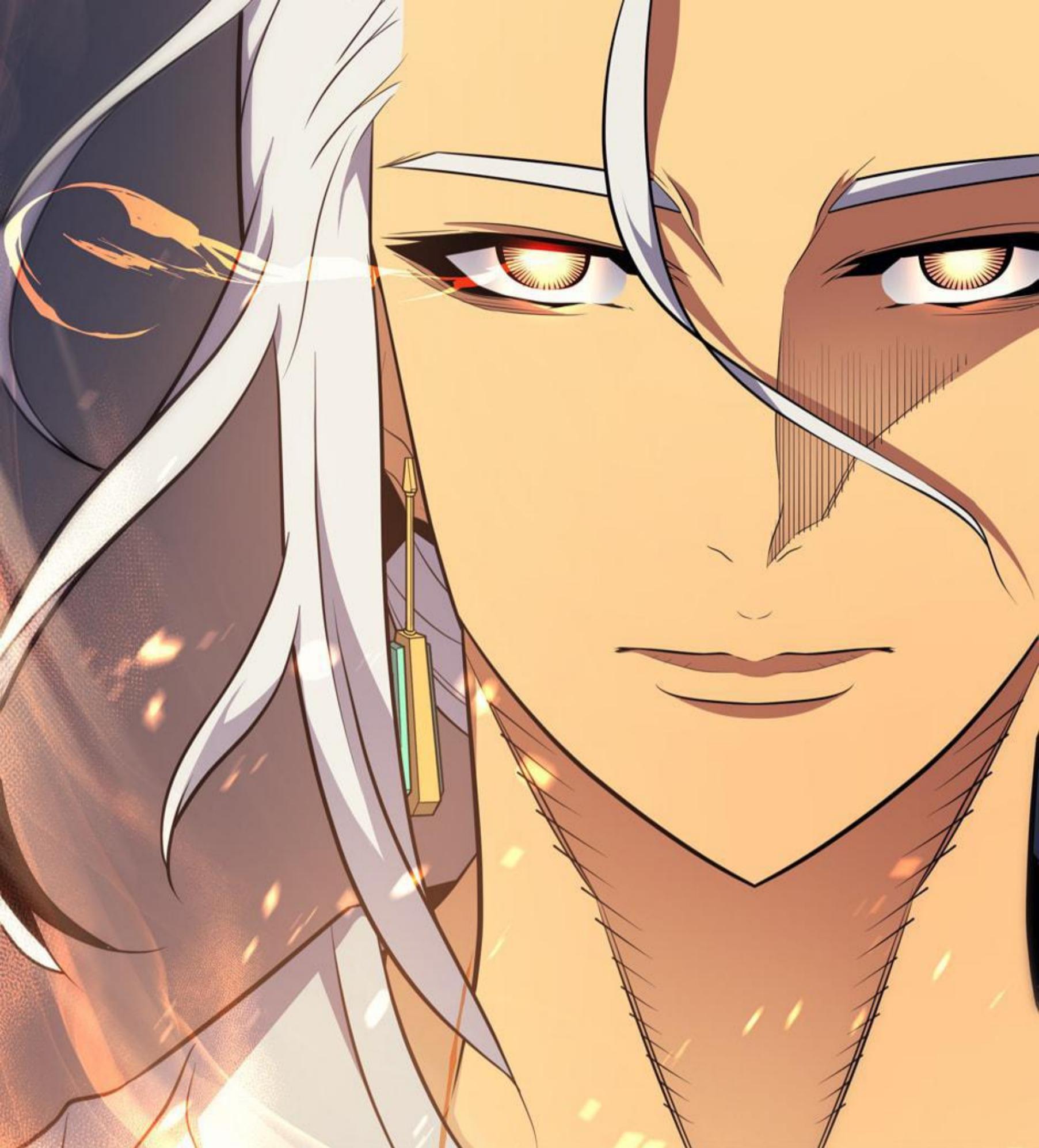




HE WISHES  
TO RECLAIM THIS  
WORLD FROM THEIR  
INFLUENCE.

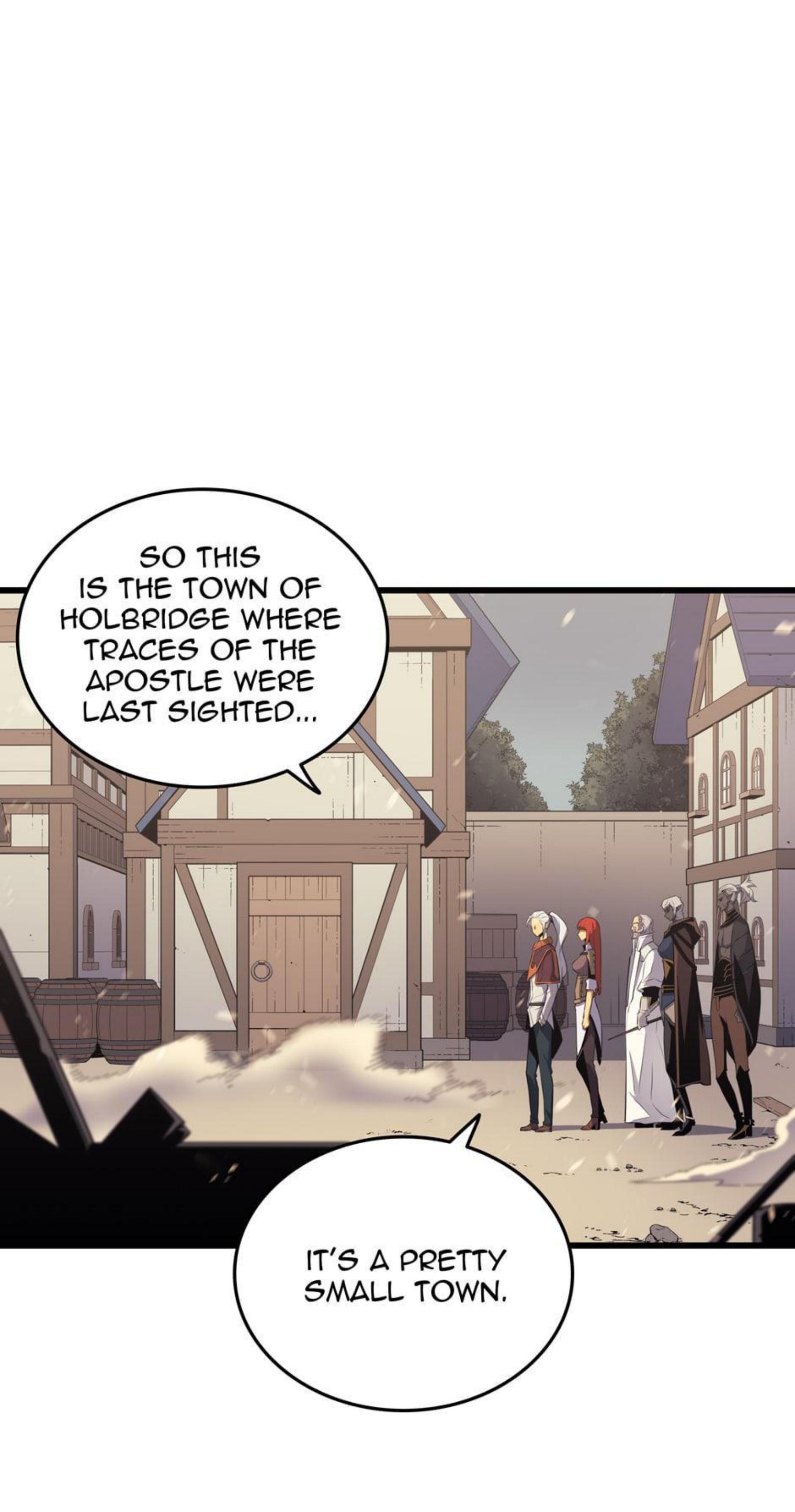


I FINALLY  
REACHED TIER 7.









SO THIS  
IS THE TOWN OF  
HOLBRIDGE WHERE  
TRACES OF THE  
APOSTLE WERE  
LAST SIGHTED...

IT'S A PRETTY  
SMALL TOWN.



IT'S QUITE EERIE...

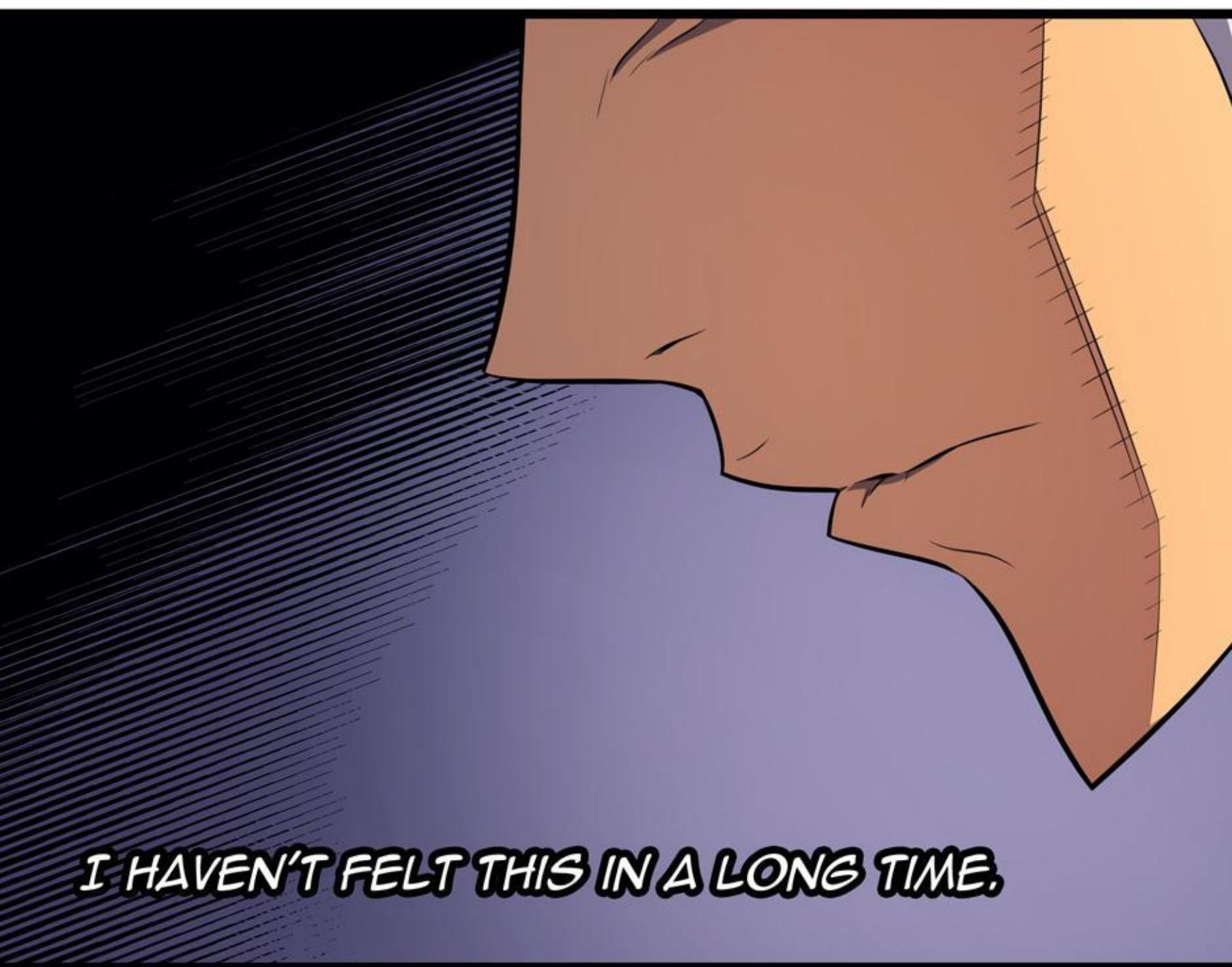


I HAVE A BAD FEELING  
ABOUT THIS...



I SENSE  
DIVINE POWER.

DIVINE  
POWER...?



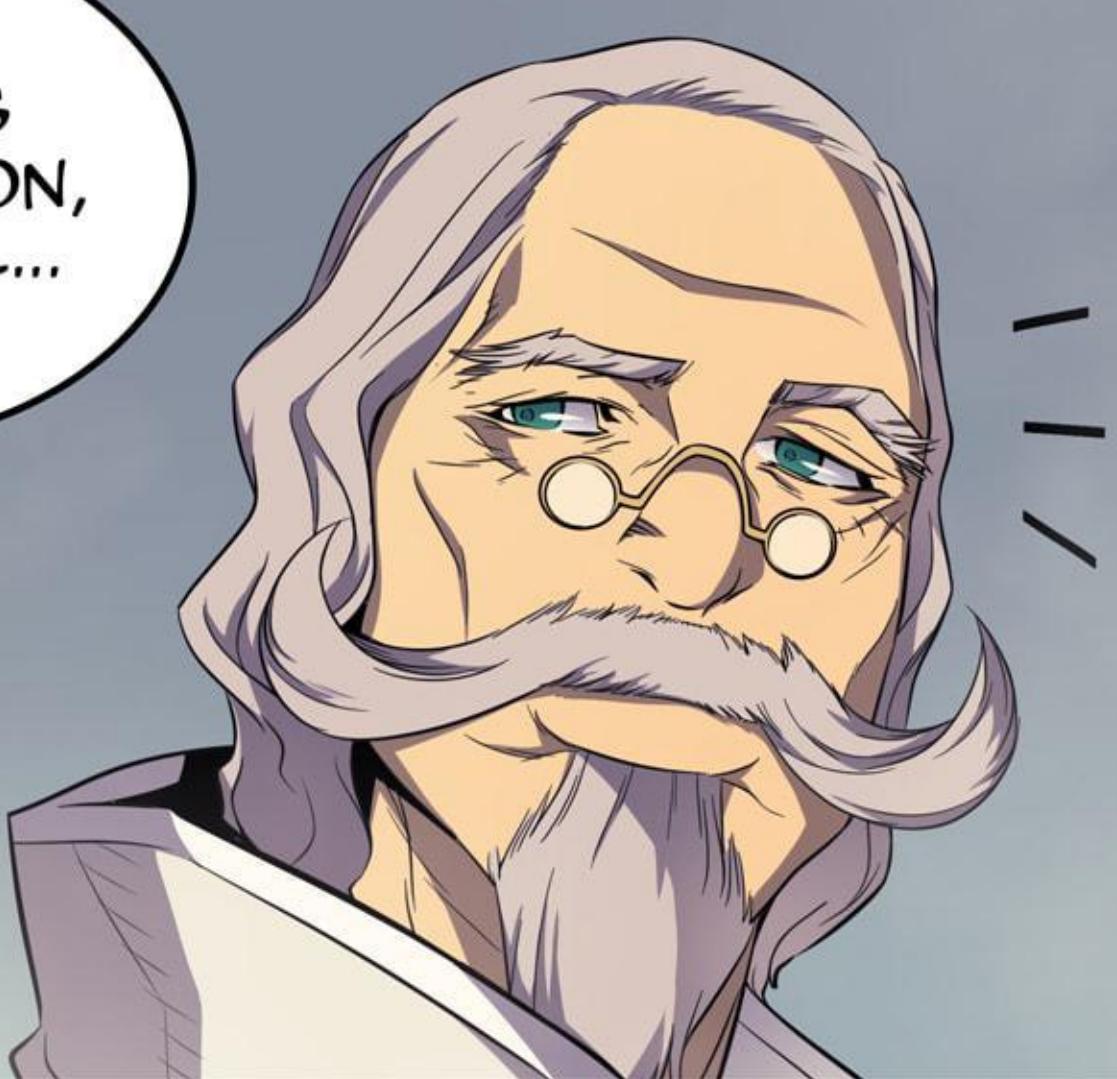
**I HAVEN'T FELT THIS IN A LONG TIME.**

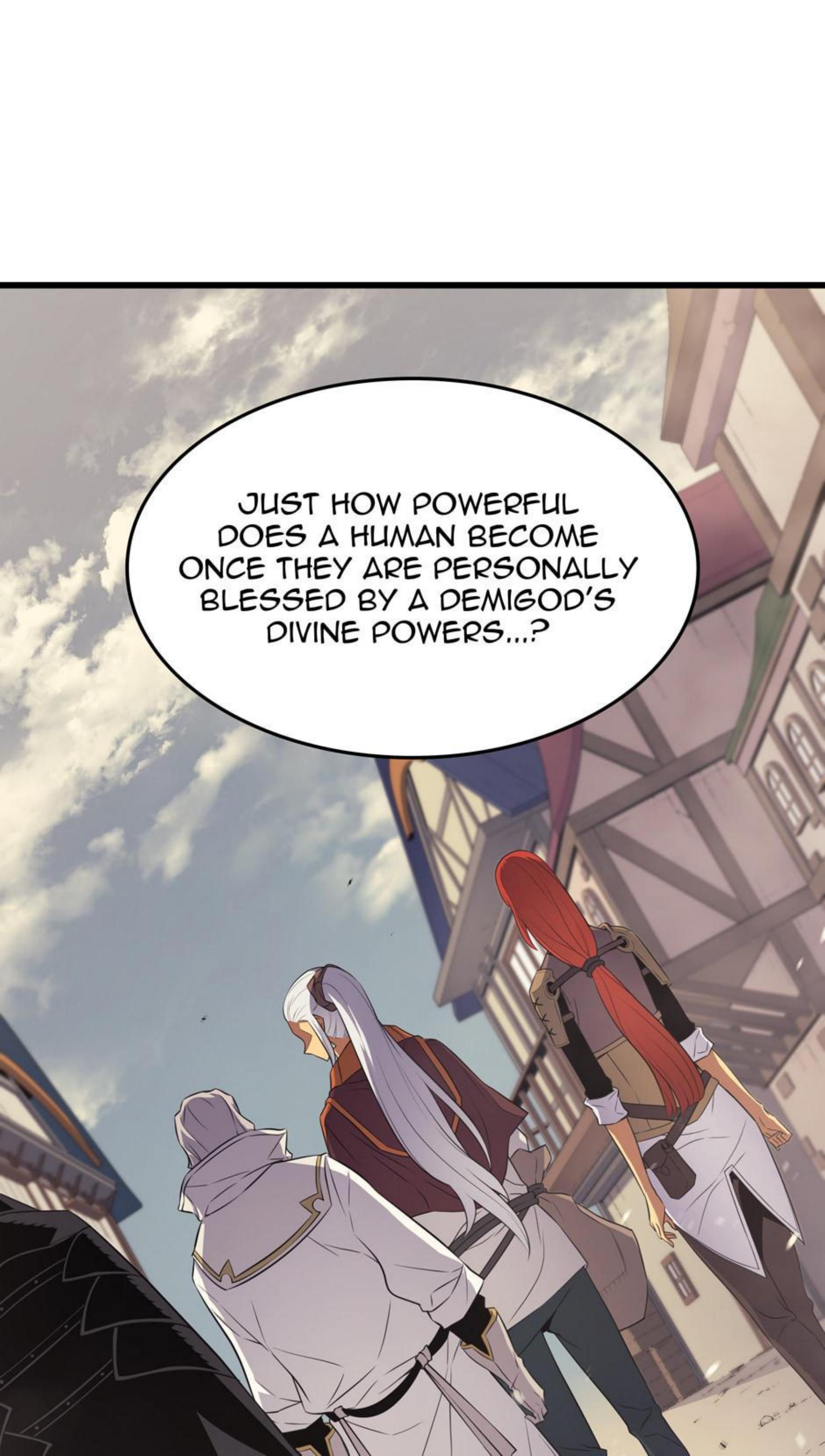
**HONESTLY...**

**IT'S A DISGUSTING**

IT'S A DISGUSTING  
SENSATION THAT  
MAKES YOU WANT  
TO THROW UP.

THIS BEGS  
THE QUESTION,  
LORD MIKEL...





JUST HOW POWERFUL  
DOES A HUMAN BECOME  
ONCE THEY ARE PERSONALLY  
BLESSED BY A DEMIGOD'S  
DIVINE POWERS...?

