

THE ARCHMAGE

RETURNS AFTER.

4000

YEARS

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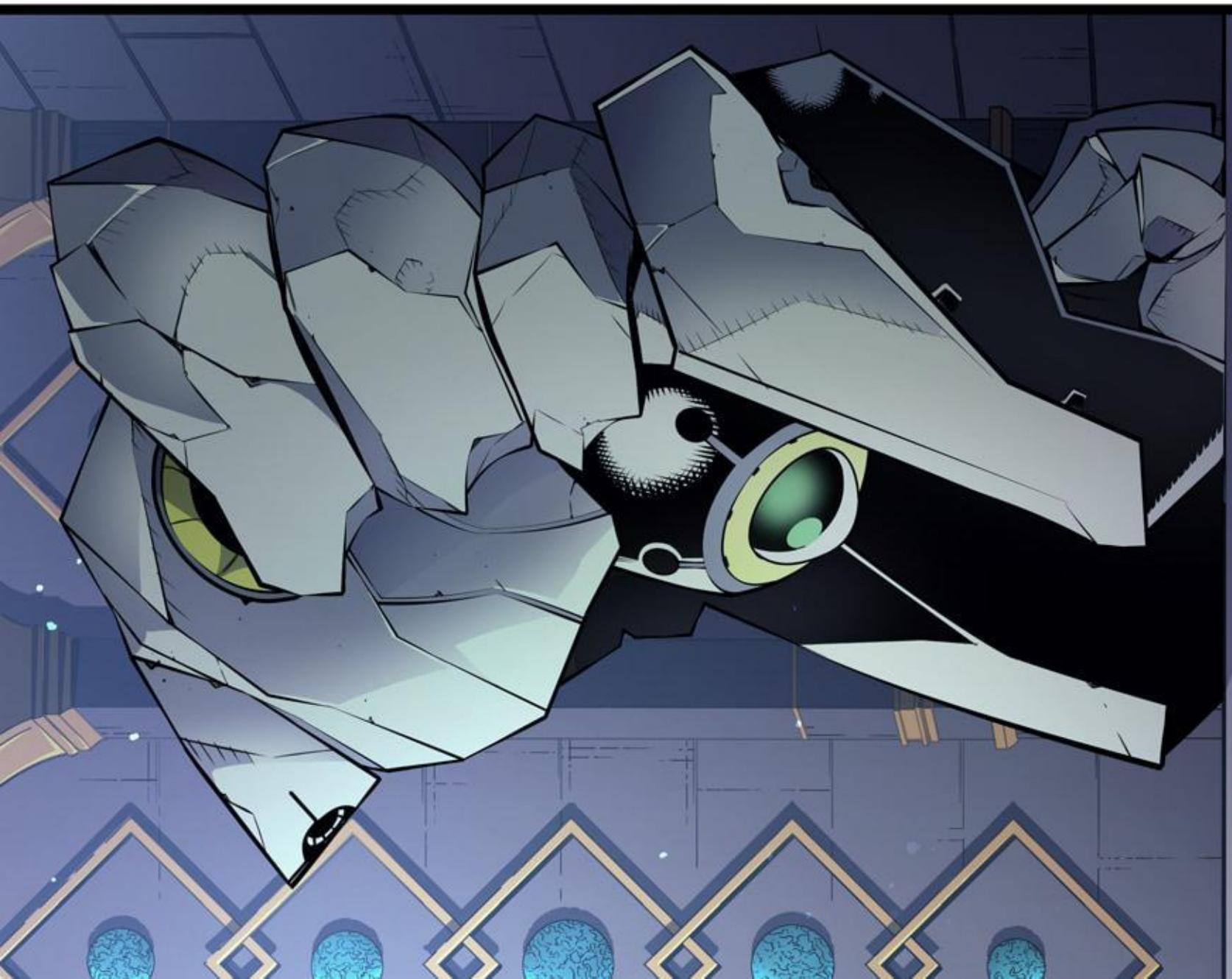
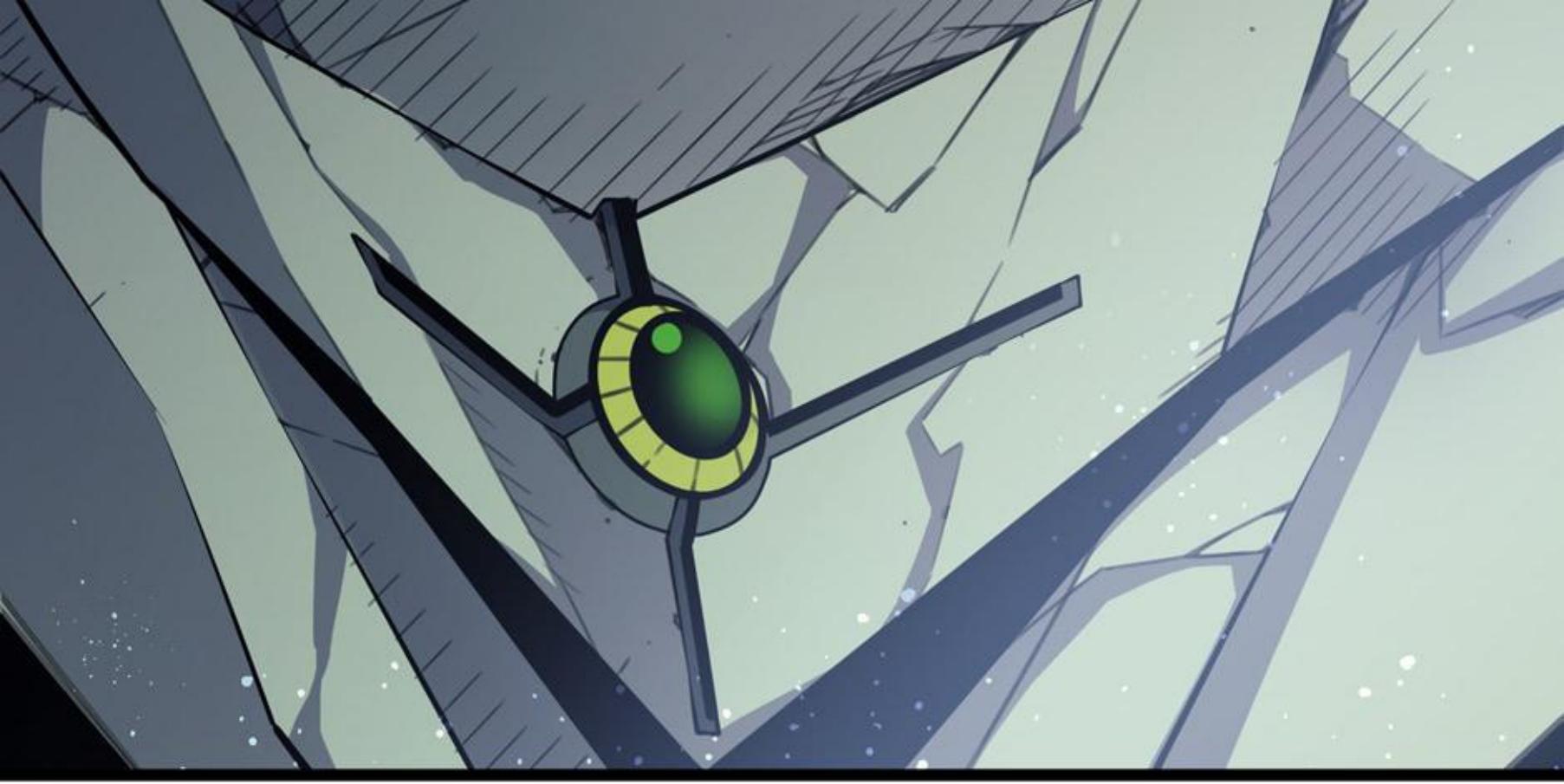
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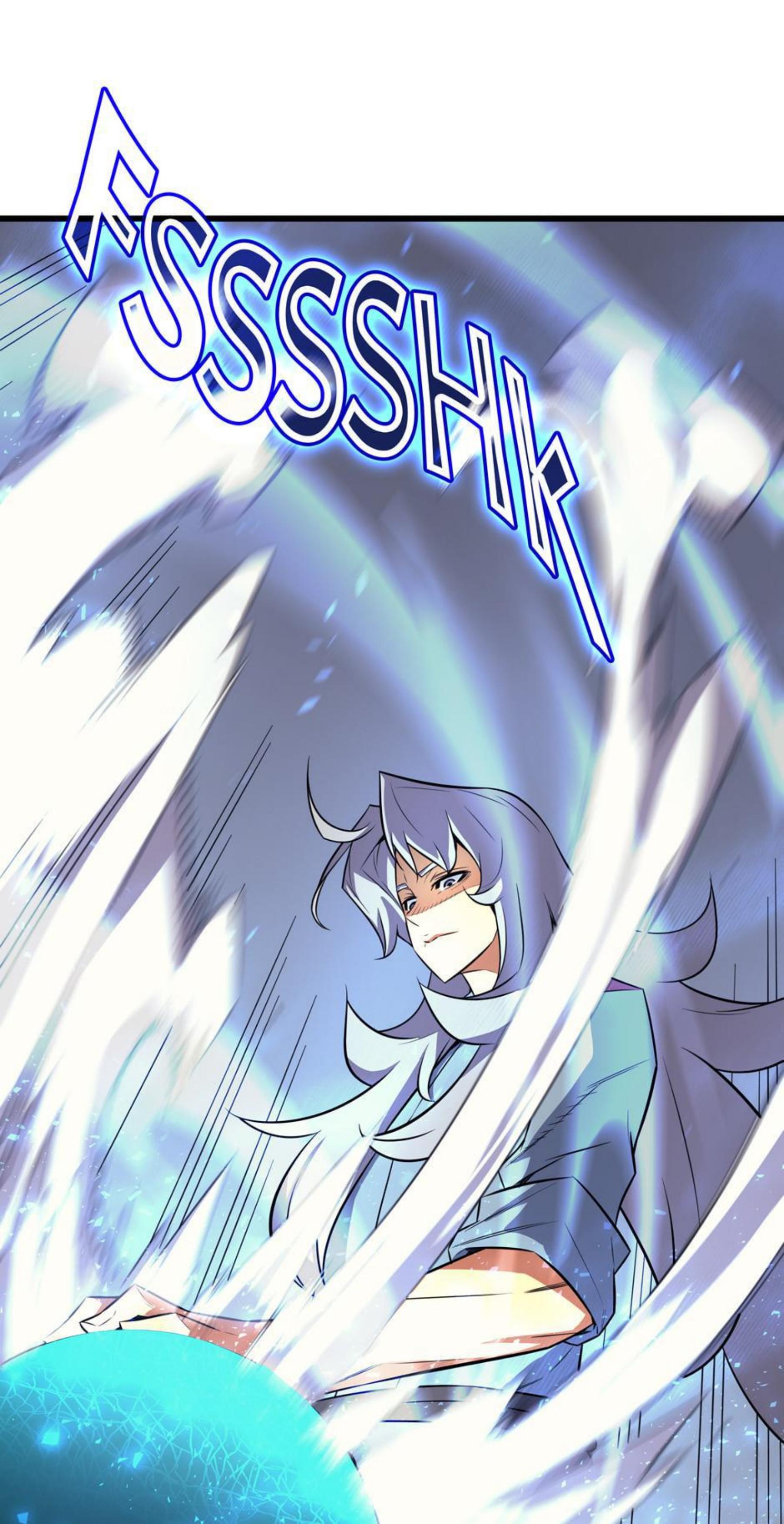






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USSSHHH







A YOUNG
MAN APPEARED
THIS TIME.



THAT'S ALSO
SCHEIZER.

IT LOOKS
LIKE HE'S SET IT
SO THAT EVERY TIME
WE PASS THROUGH THE
GATES, HE GAINS A
FEW YEARS ON HIS
APPEARANCE.

THOUGH I'VE

NO IDEA WHI.



ALRIGHT,
IT'S THE SECOND
QUESTION.

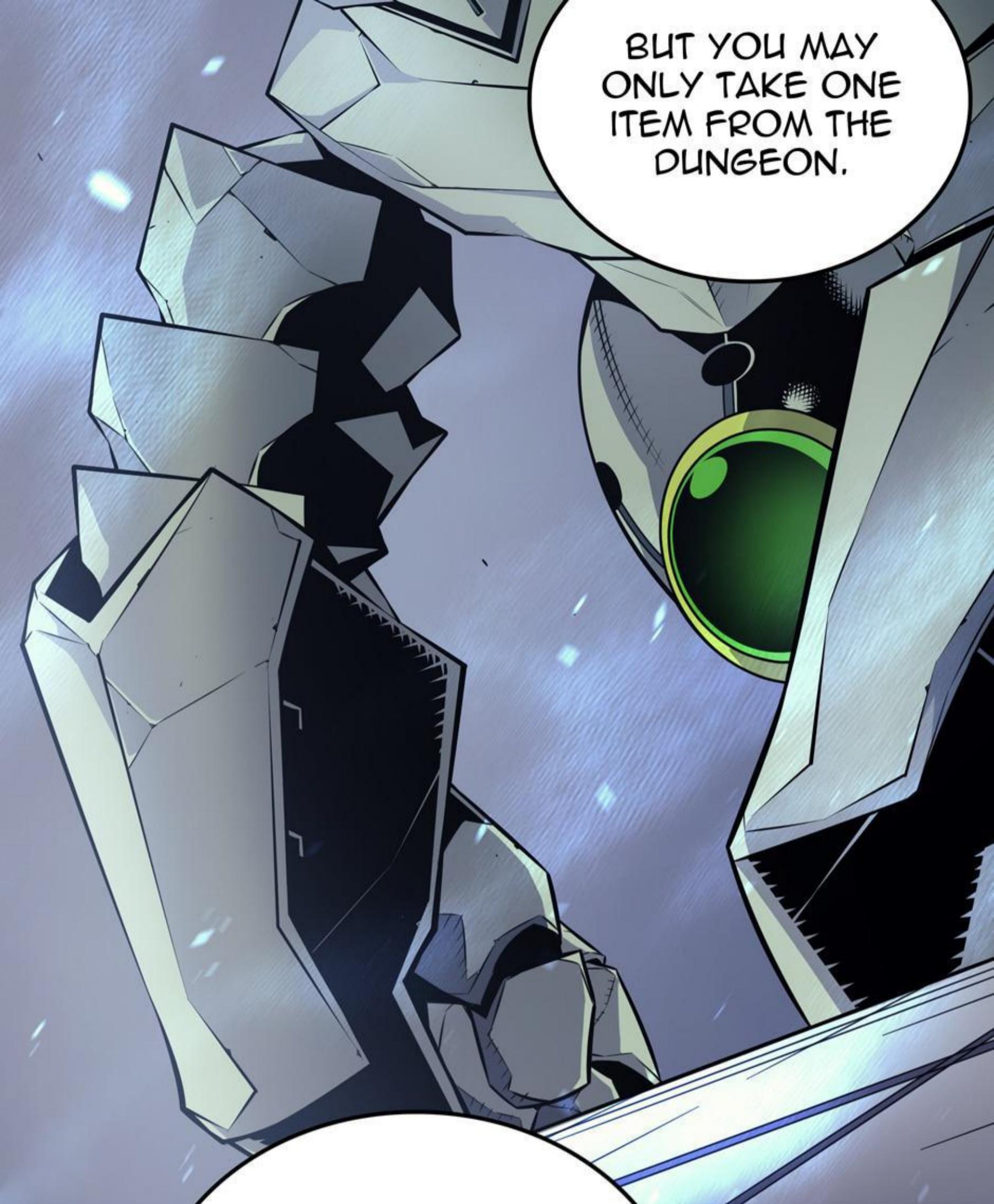


THE SECOND
QUESTION?

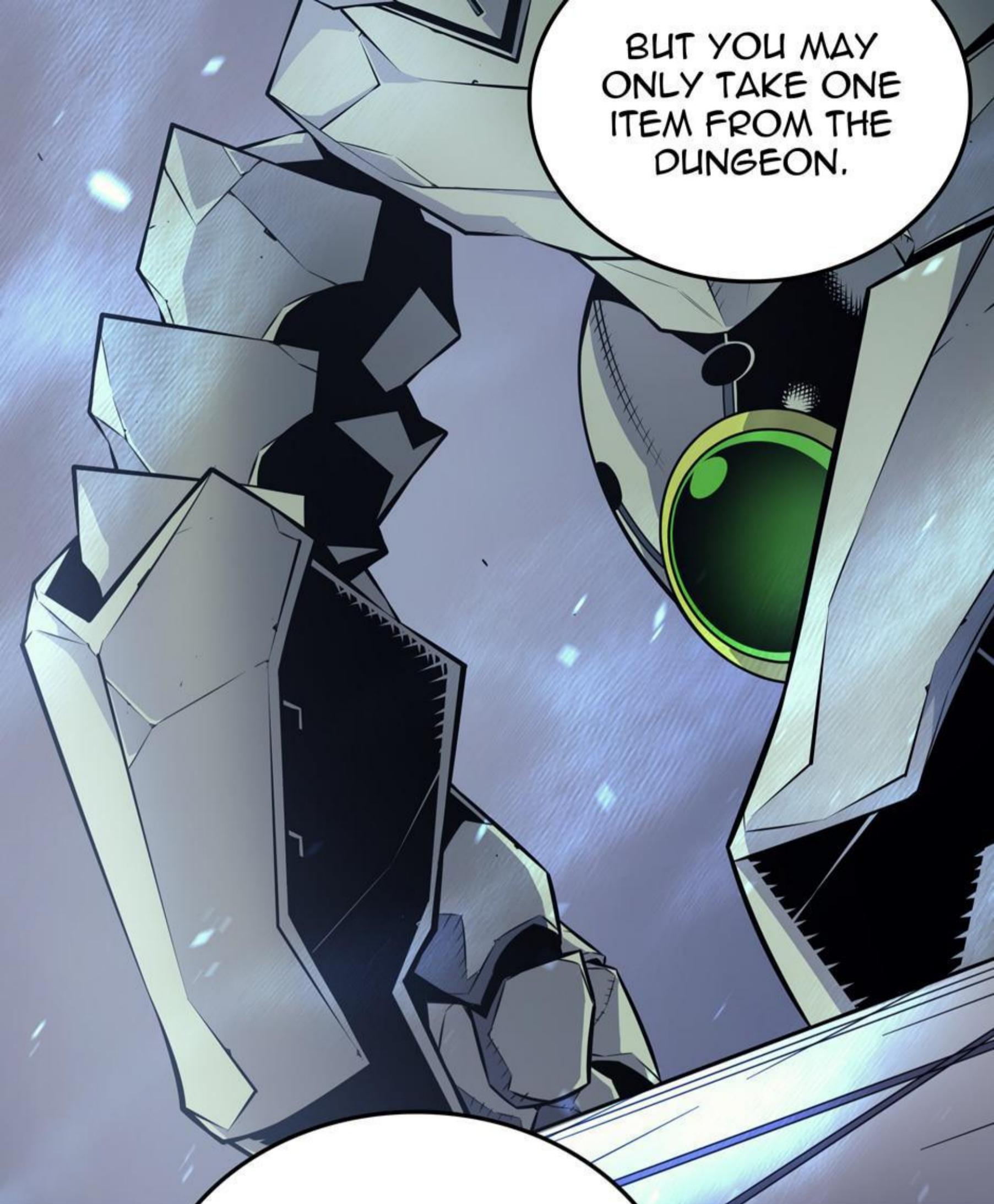


AH, SORRY
ABOUT THE LACK
OF EXPLANATION!

I'VE PREPARED
GREATER TREASURES
THE MORE YOU
ADVANCE INTO THE
DUNGEON.



BUT YOU MAY
ONLY TAKE ONE
ITEM FROM THE
DUNGEON.



IF YOU TRY TO
CHEAT AND TAKE
MORE THAN ONE, MY
CUTE GOLEMS BEHIND
YOU WILL DO WHAT
THEY DO BEST!



YOU'LL BE
WALKING OUT OF
HERE THE MOMENT
YOU GET A SINGLE
QUESTION
WRONG.



YRIS
PEACEFOUNDER.



AH~

WHAT AN
ANNOYING LASS
SHE IS.

GRUMBLE
GRUMBLE





I COULD NEVER
UNDERSTAND WHAT
GOES ON INSIDE THE
MINDS OF WITCHES,
I SWEAR.

BLAH

WHILE WE'RE
STRUGGLING TO SAVE
THE WORLD,

SHE'S HEAD
OVER HEELS FOR A
MAN AND CARES LITTLE
WHETHER THE WORLD
BURNS TO ASHES
TOMORROW.

BLAH

BLAH



A MAN?

YRIS PEACEFOUNDER...
IS HE TALKING ABOUT THE
LEGENDARY BLACK
WITCH?



THE BLACK WITCH

YRIS PEACEFOUNDER.

A WOMAN WITH
JET BLACK HAIR
AND A MYSTERIOUS
SMILE ON HER FACE
AT ALL TIMES.





SHE FIT THE
TITLE OF THE
BLACK WITCH
DOWN TO THE
LAST LETTER...

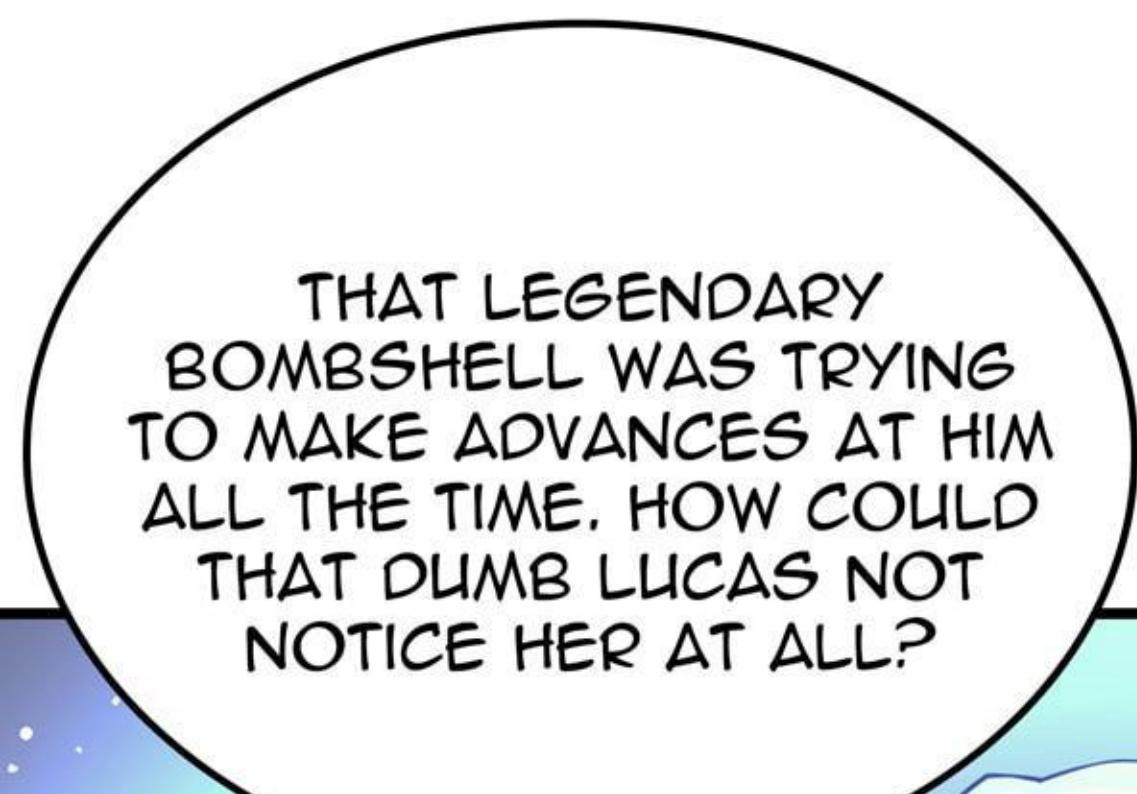
COULD THERE
BE A MAN IN THIS
WORLD WHO COULD
HONESTLY RESIST
HER CHARMs?

I DON'T THINK THERE
EVER WAS A WOMAN AS
ATTRACTIVE AS YRIS...





BUT FORGET ABOUT YRIS. IT'S THE MAN WHO I FIND DETESTABLE AT TIMES.



THAT LEGENDARY BOMBSHELL WAS TRYING TO MAKE ADVANCES AT HIM ALL THE TIME. HOW COULD THAT DUMB LUCAS NOT NOTICE HER AT ALL?



HE CLEARLY DIDN'T HAVE A TALENT FOR READING A WOMAN'S FEELINGS.



BLUSH

WHAT?

ARE YOU
SHITTING
ME?!

CONSIDERING
HOW CRAZY HE IS
FOR WOMEN, HE SURE
IS CLUELESS ABOUT THEM.
MAKES YOU WONDER IF A
GUY THAT DENSE COULD
REALLY BE AS GREAT A
MAGE AS EVERYONE
THINKS HE IS.

SOMEHOW
THAT'S EXACTLY
LIKE FREI.

THOUGH HE
DID MASTER THE
MAGICAL ART OF
STUPIDITY...

SNAP





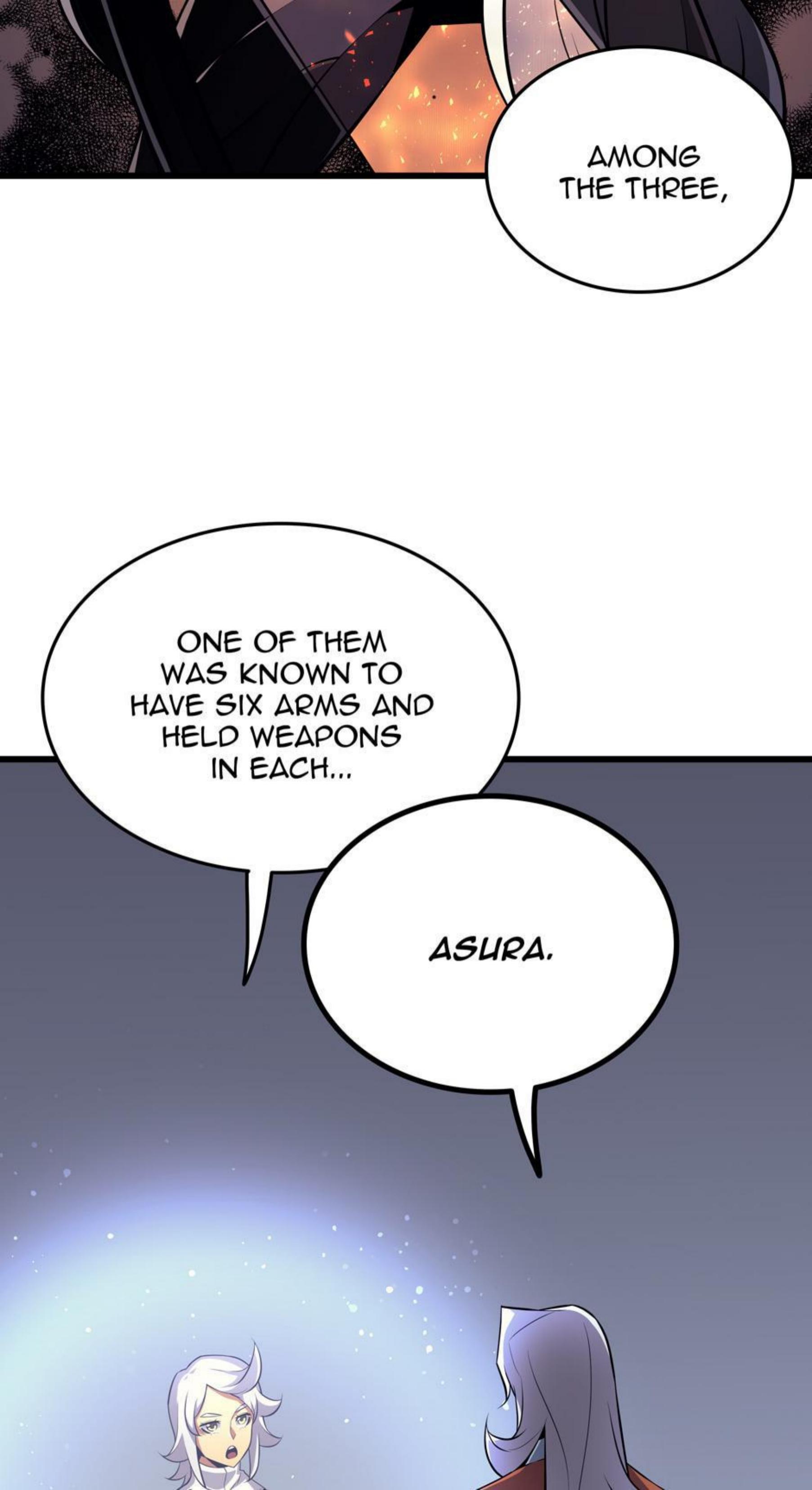
I'M WILLING TO
BET THAT GOLEM
BEHIND YOU ISN'T AS
DENSE AS HE WAS
WHEN IT CAME TO
WOMEN.

OH, RIGHT.
THE NEXT
QUESTION...

YOU LITTLE
ASSHOLE...

YRIS WAS
KNOWN TO HAVE
A CONTRACT WITH
THREE POWERFUL
DEMONS AT HER
COMMAND.



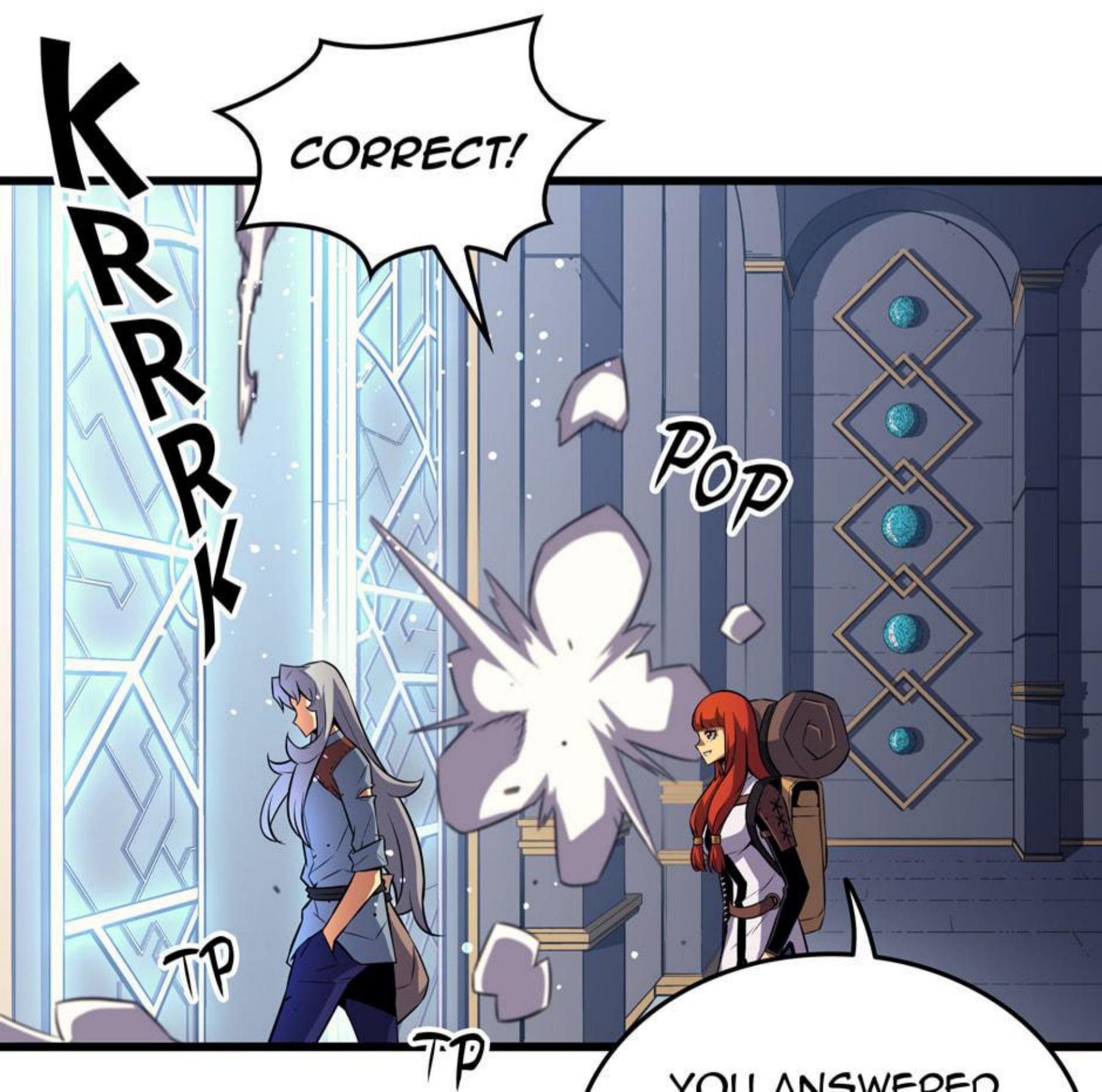


AMONG
THE THREE,

ONE OF THEM
WAS KNOWN TO
HAVE SIX ARMS AND
HELD WEAPONS
IN EACH...

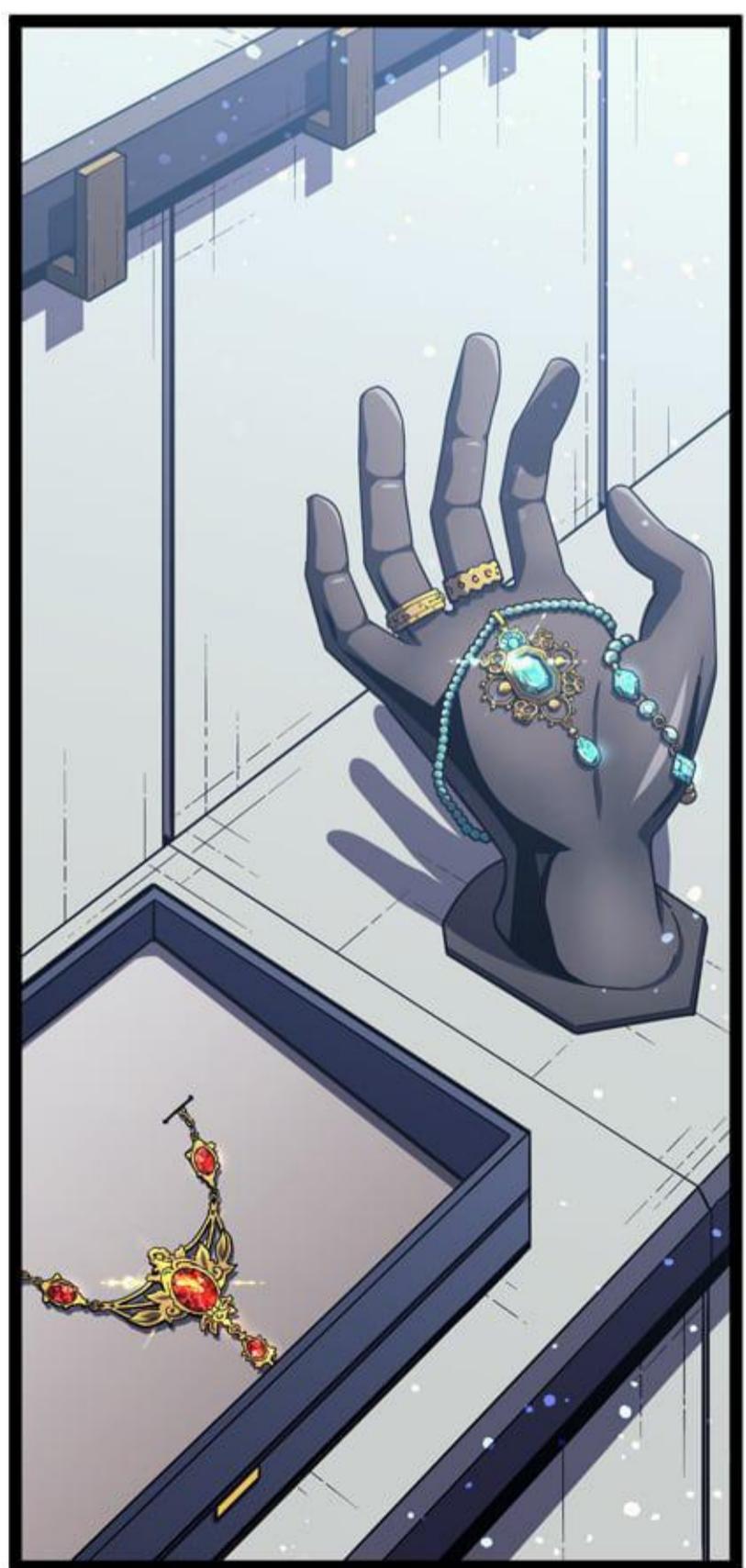
ASURA.





YOU ANSWERED

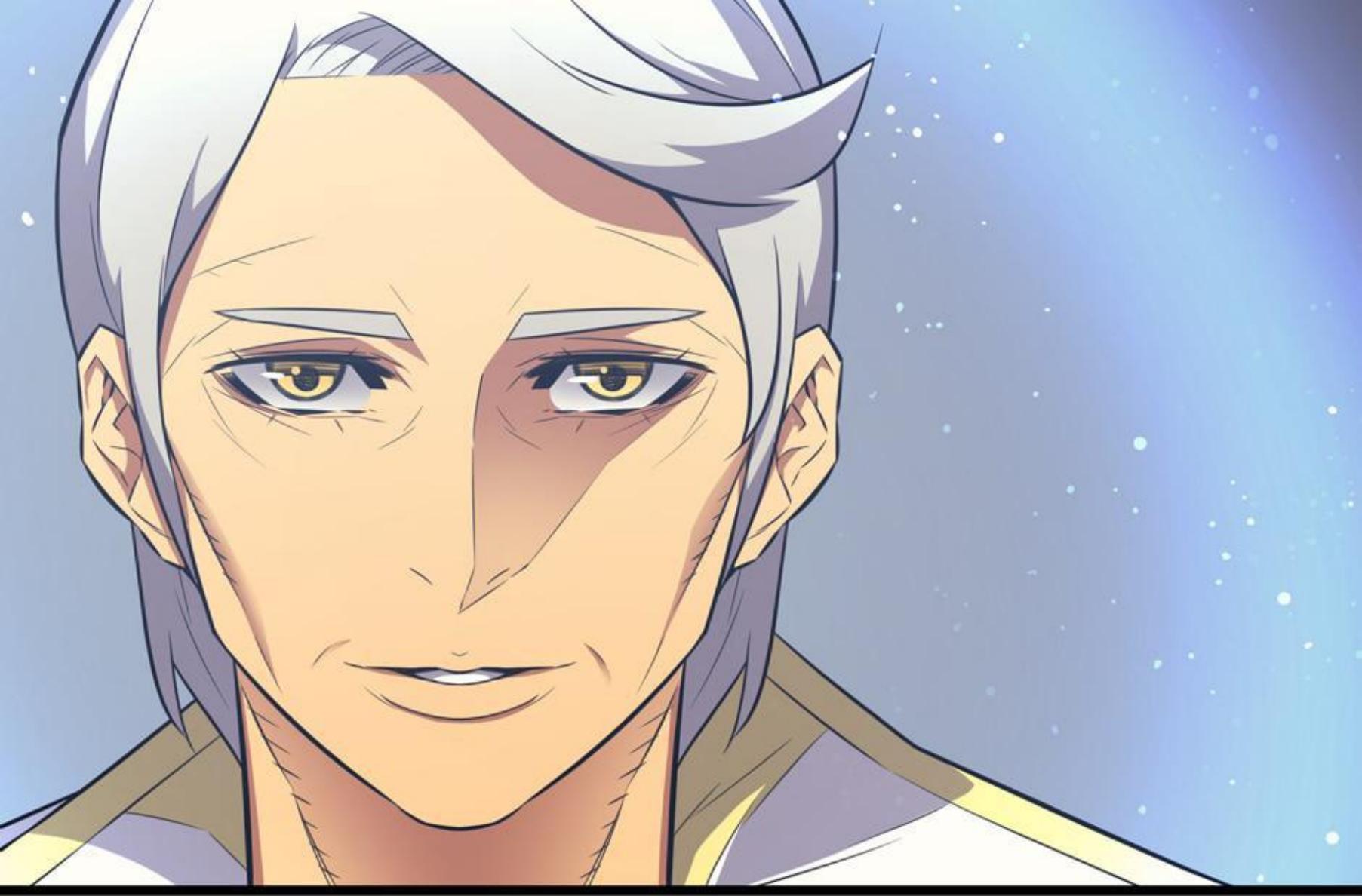
YOU ANSWERED
WITHOUT LISTENING
TO THE WHOLE
QUESTION? THAT'S
IMPRESSIVE!







THE NEXT
QUESTION.



HE'S AGED AGAIN.

I GOT IT.

THE REASON YOUR
APPEARANCE AGES
AS WE PROGRESS
DEEPER INTO THE
DUNGEON...

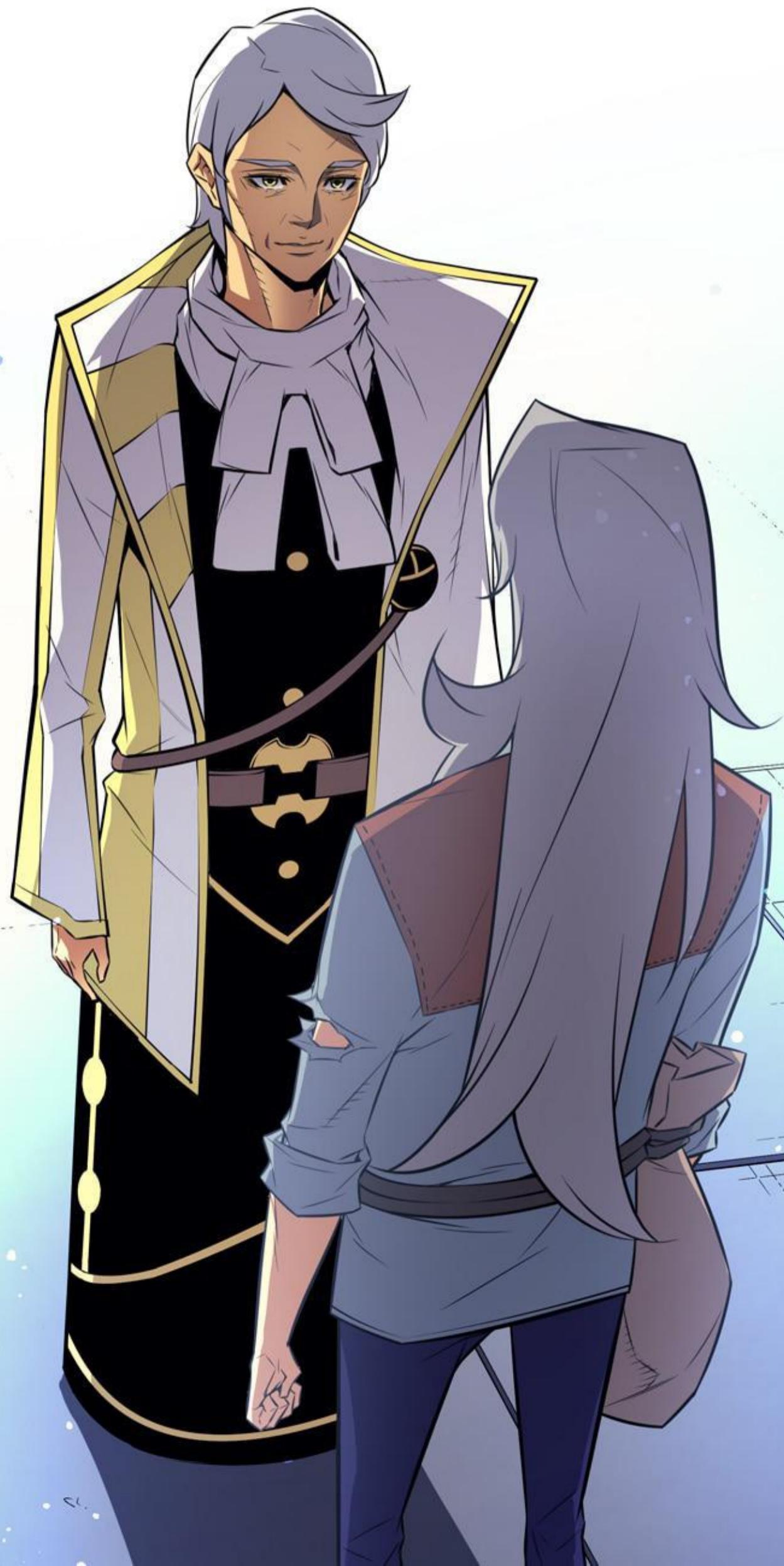
THIS PLACE...

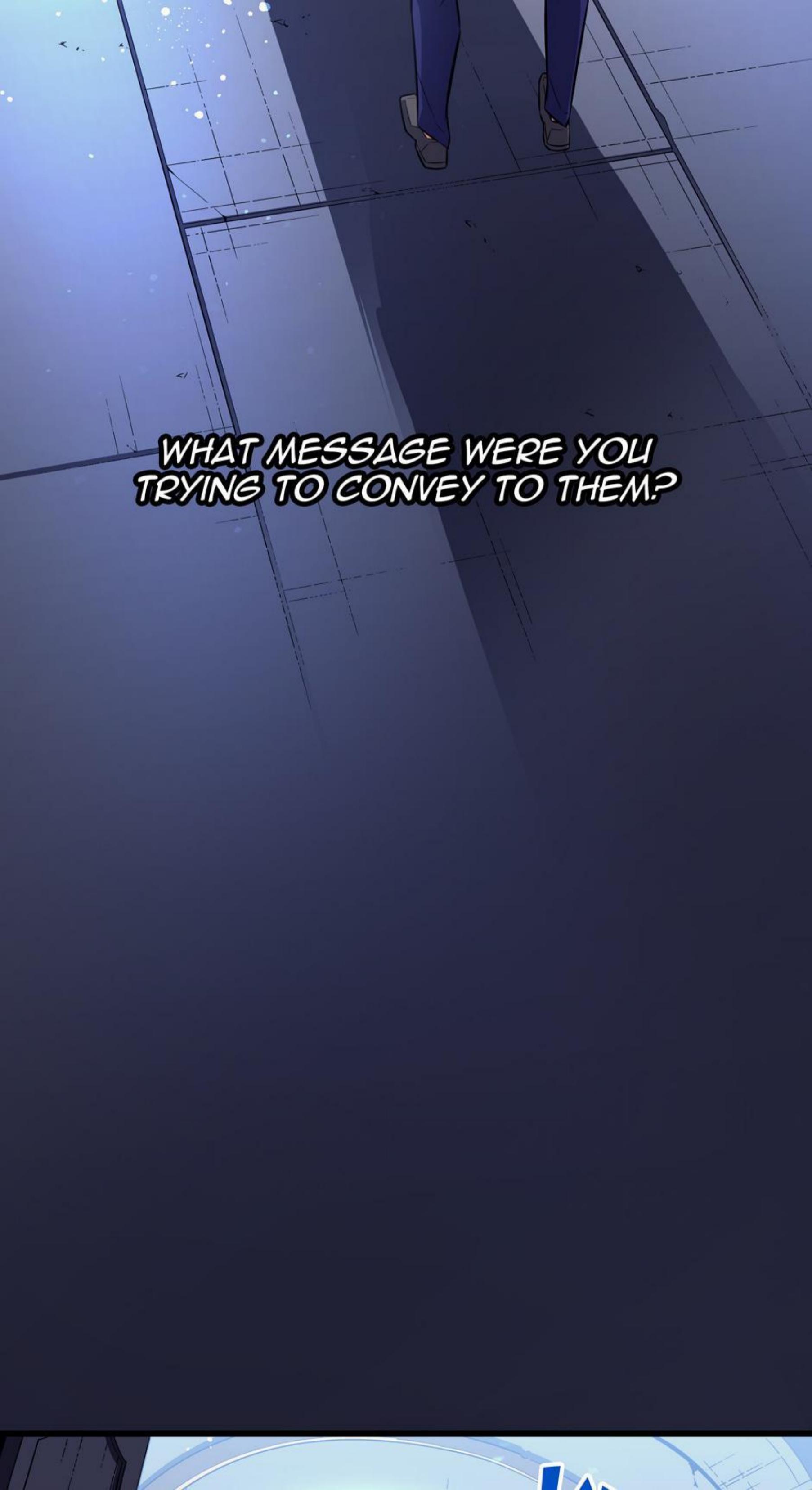
**THIS WHOLE
DUNGEON IS YOUR
PERSONAL DIARY.**

SCHEIZER...

**WHAT WERE YOU
TRYING TO SAY WITH
THIS CREATION OF
YOURS?**

AND TO WHOM...?





**WHAT MESSAGE WERE YOU
TRYING TO CONVEY TO THEM?**



CORRECT.

KRRPK



CORRECT.

KRRPK





IMPRESSIVE.

WE'RE NOW
IN THE FIFTH
ROOM.

HOW COO

HOW ODD...

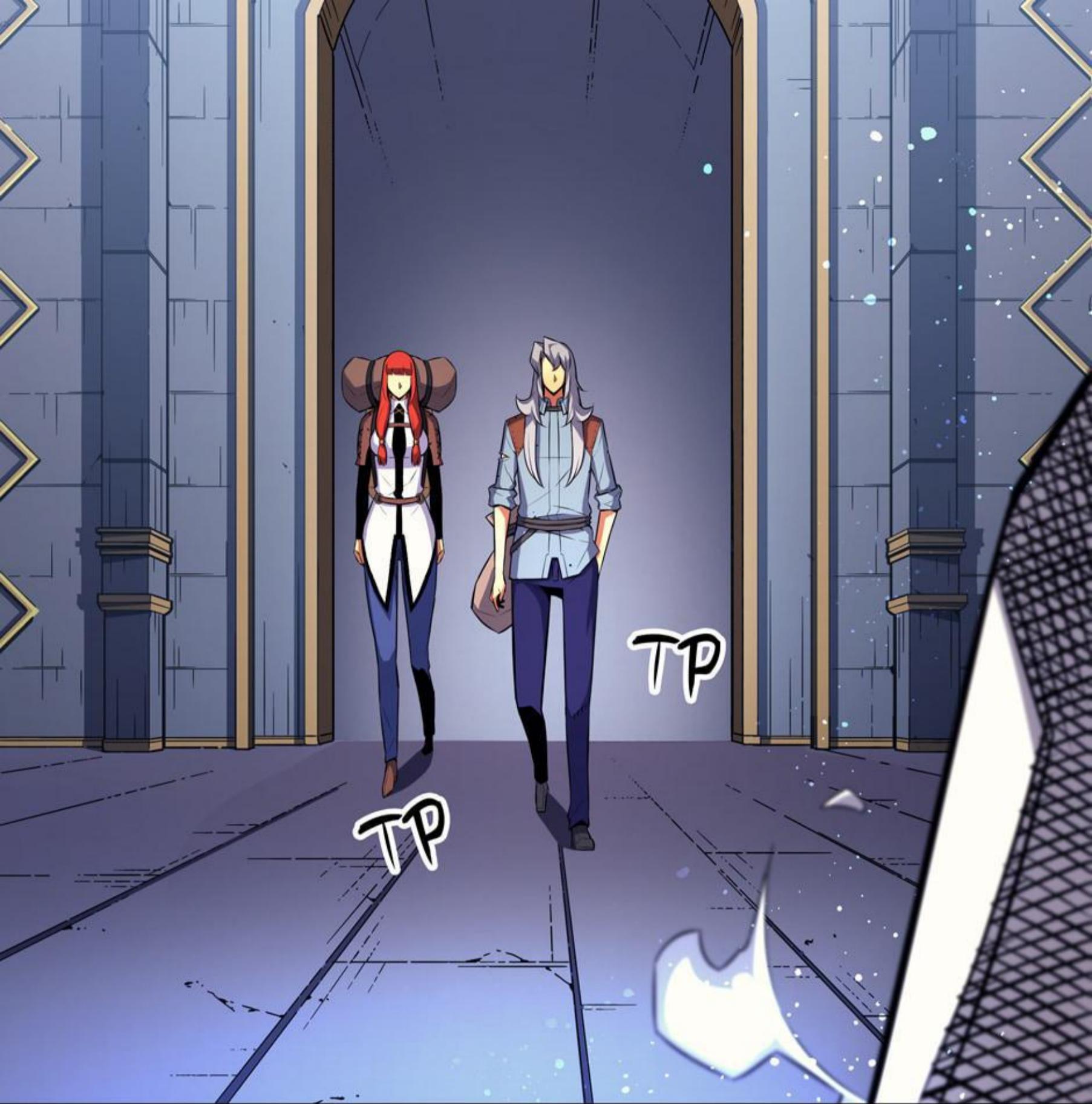
THE QUESTIONS
WE'VE GOTTEN SO
FAR HAD NOTHING TO
DO WITH MAGECRAFT.
THEY WERE ALL JUST
RANDOM TRIVIA...





WHAT WAS
HE THINKING?

I THINK IT'S
MORE IMPRESSIVE
THAT YOU MANAGED TO
ANSWER ALL OF THEM
CORRECTLY...



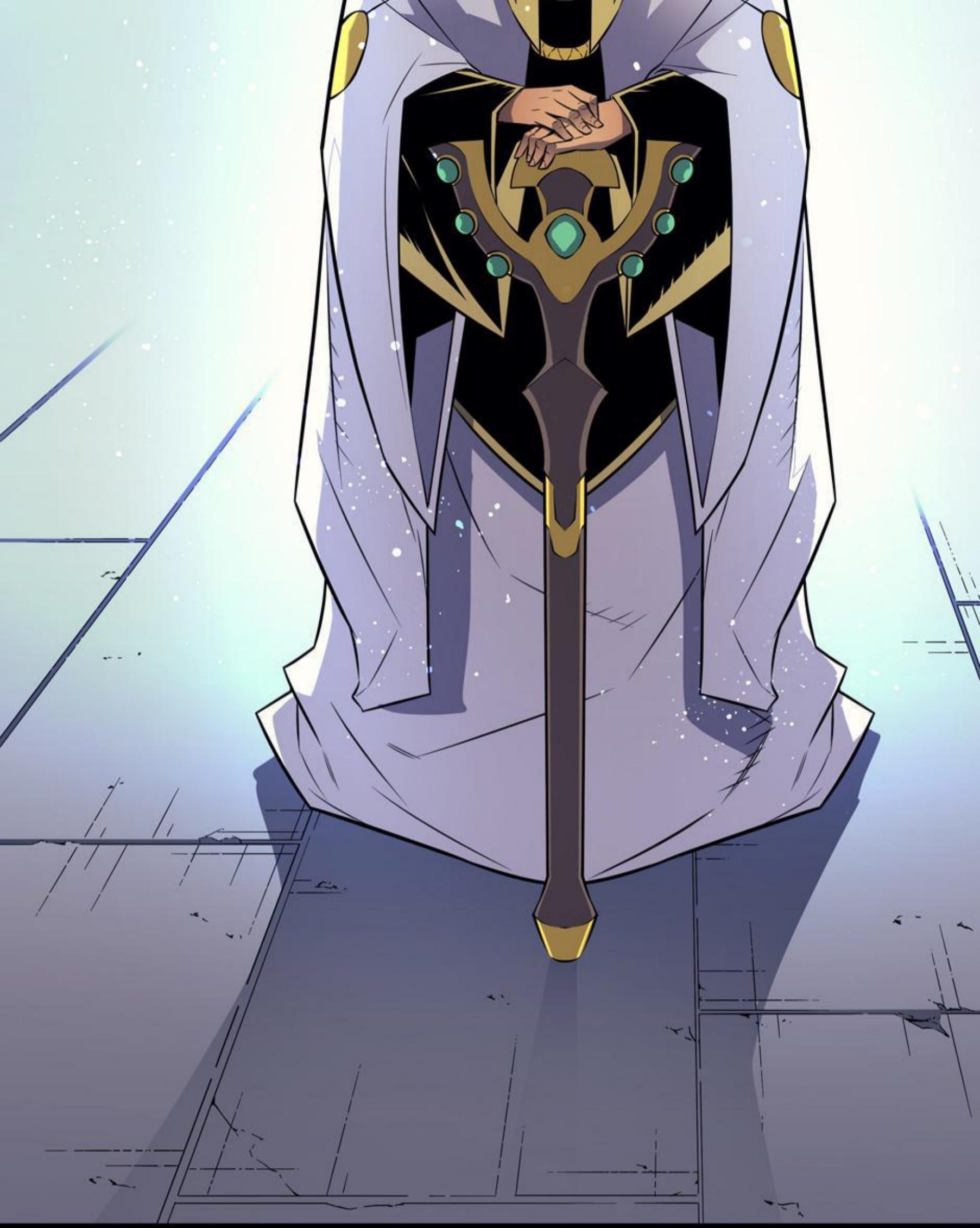
THIS IS THE
LAST ROOM.





SCHEIZER...







LUCAS TROWMAN.



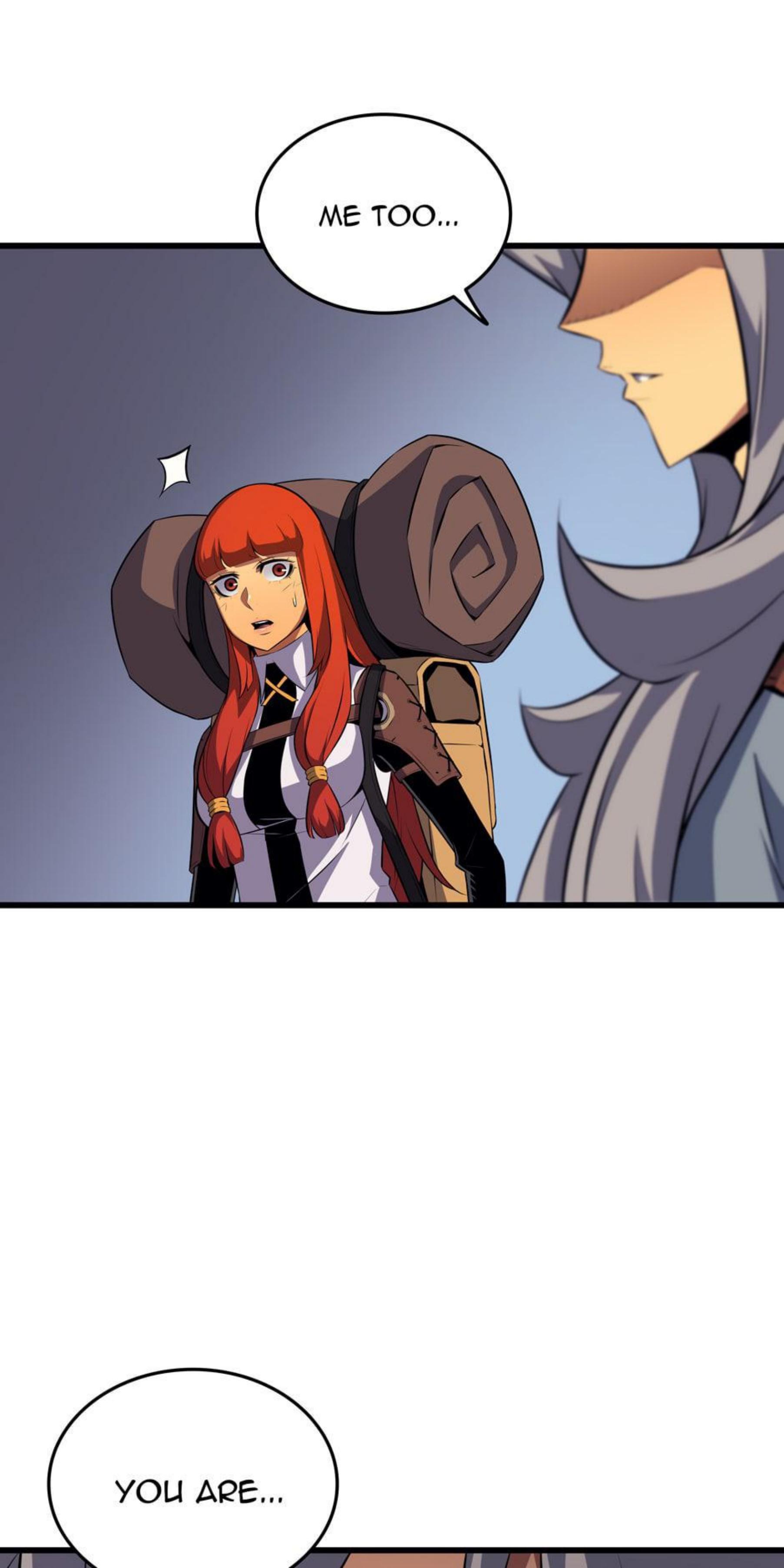
THE MAGE WHO
WAS SAID TO HAVE
REACHED THE PINNACLE
OF MAGECRAFT AT
THE MERE AGE
OF FORTY...

THE GRAND
ARCHMAGE OF
HUMANITY...

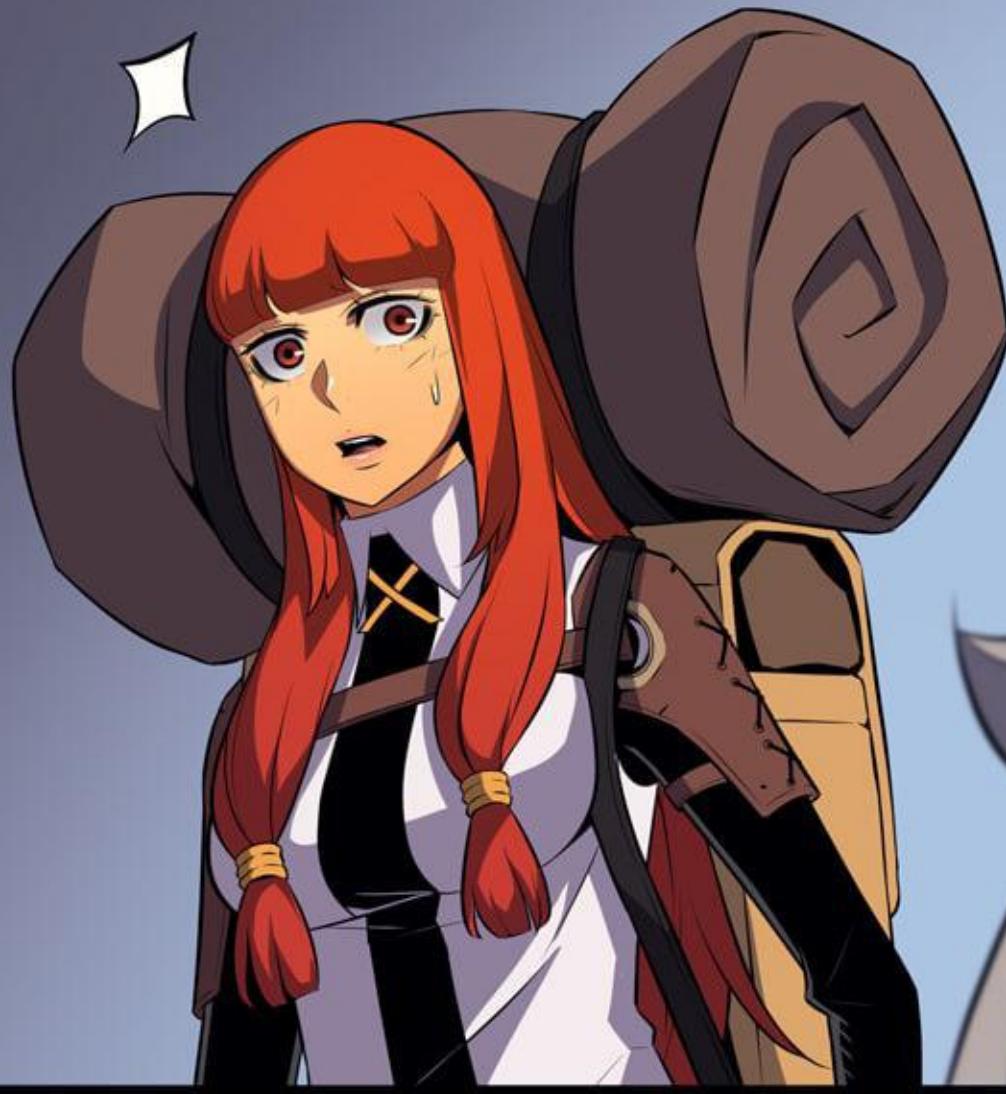




**'TIS MY LIFE'S
GREATEST PRIDE AND JOY
TO HAVE KNOWN HIM AS MY
DEAREST FRIEND.**



ME TOO...



YOU ARE...



**MY DEAREST
FRIEND...**



WHAT?



NOW THEN, THE
FINAL QUESTION.



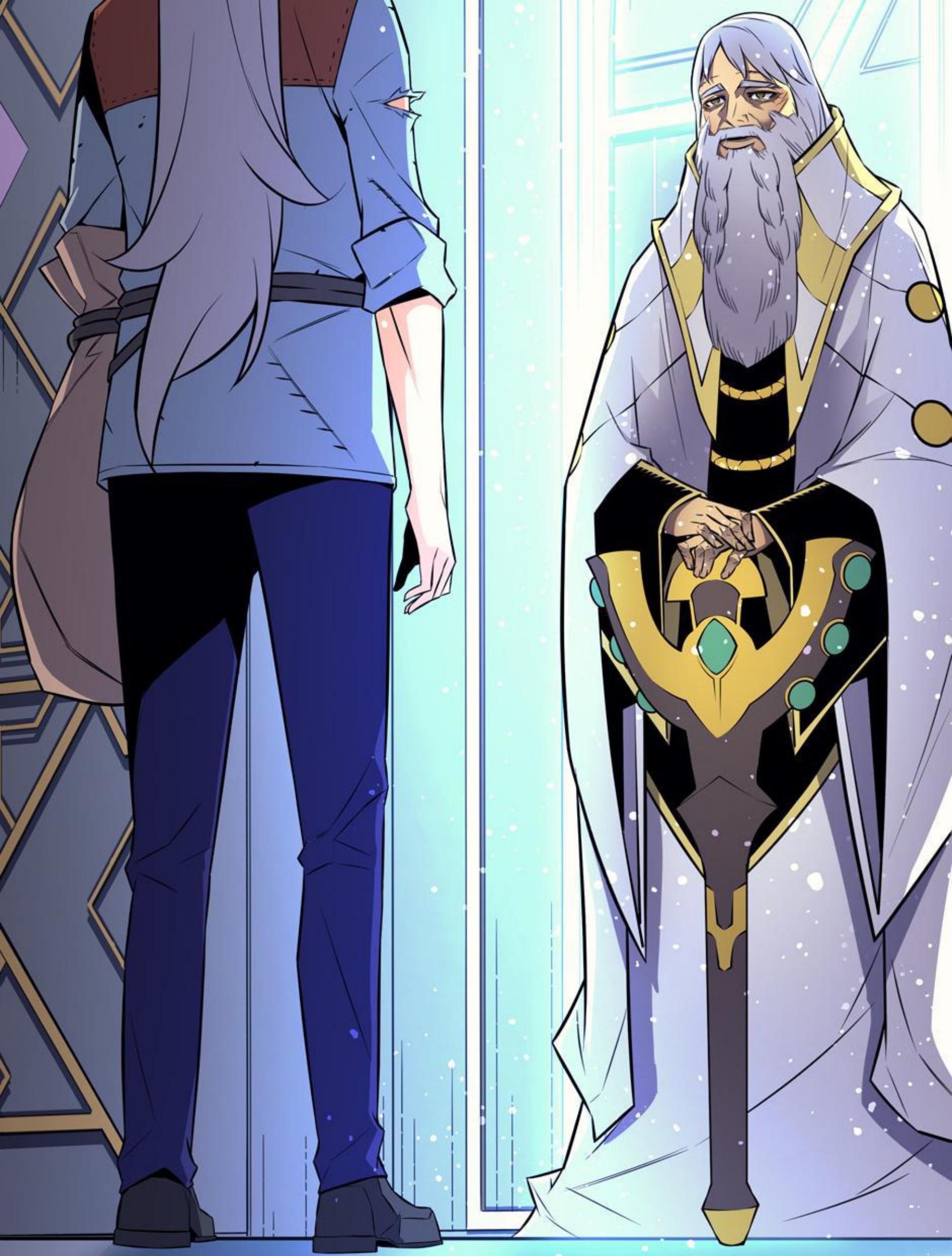


I WOULD
LIKE FOR YOU TO
CALL ME BY MY
TRUE NAME.



IT'S NO
WONDER HE
WAS ASKING
ALL THOSE
STRANGE
QUESTIONS...

THEY WEREN'T ACTUALLY RANDOM AT ALL.

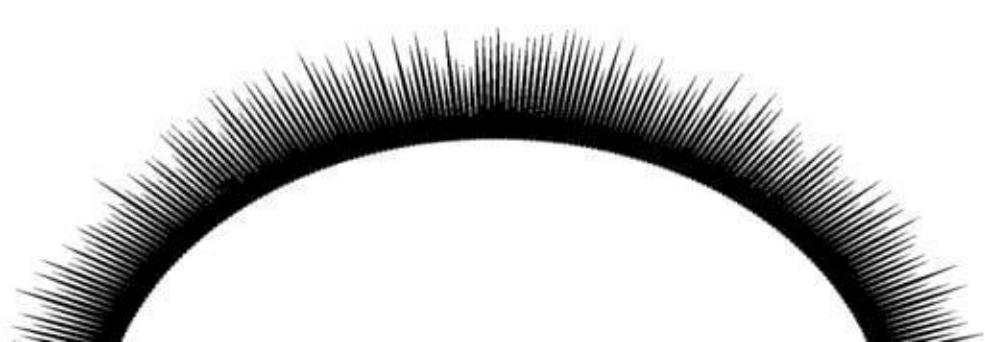


**HE WAS ASKING QUESTIONS
ONLY I COULD ANSWER...**

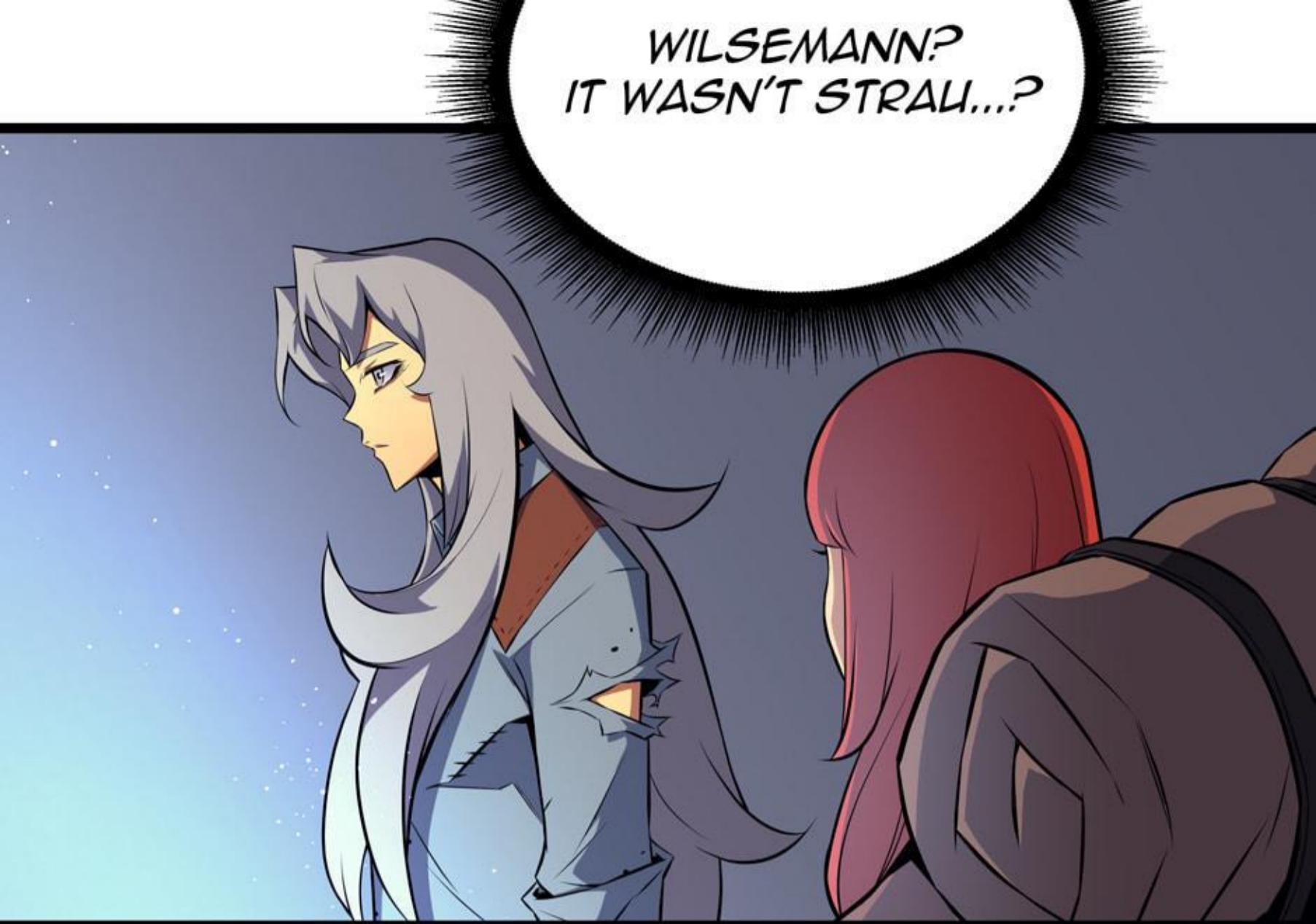


SCHEIZER...

WILSEMAN.



WILSEMAN?
IT WASN'T STRAU...?





HEAD INSIDE.



FSSSH



I'VE PREPARED
EVERYTHING YOU
NEED IN THE ROOM
BEFORE YOU.

WAIT...



I LEAVE THE
REST IN YOUR
HANDS...

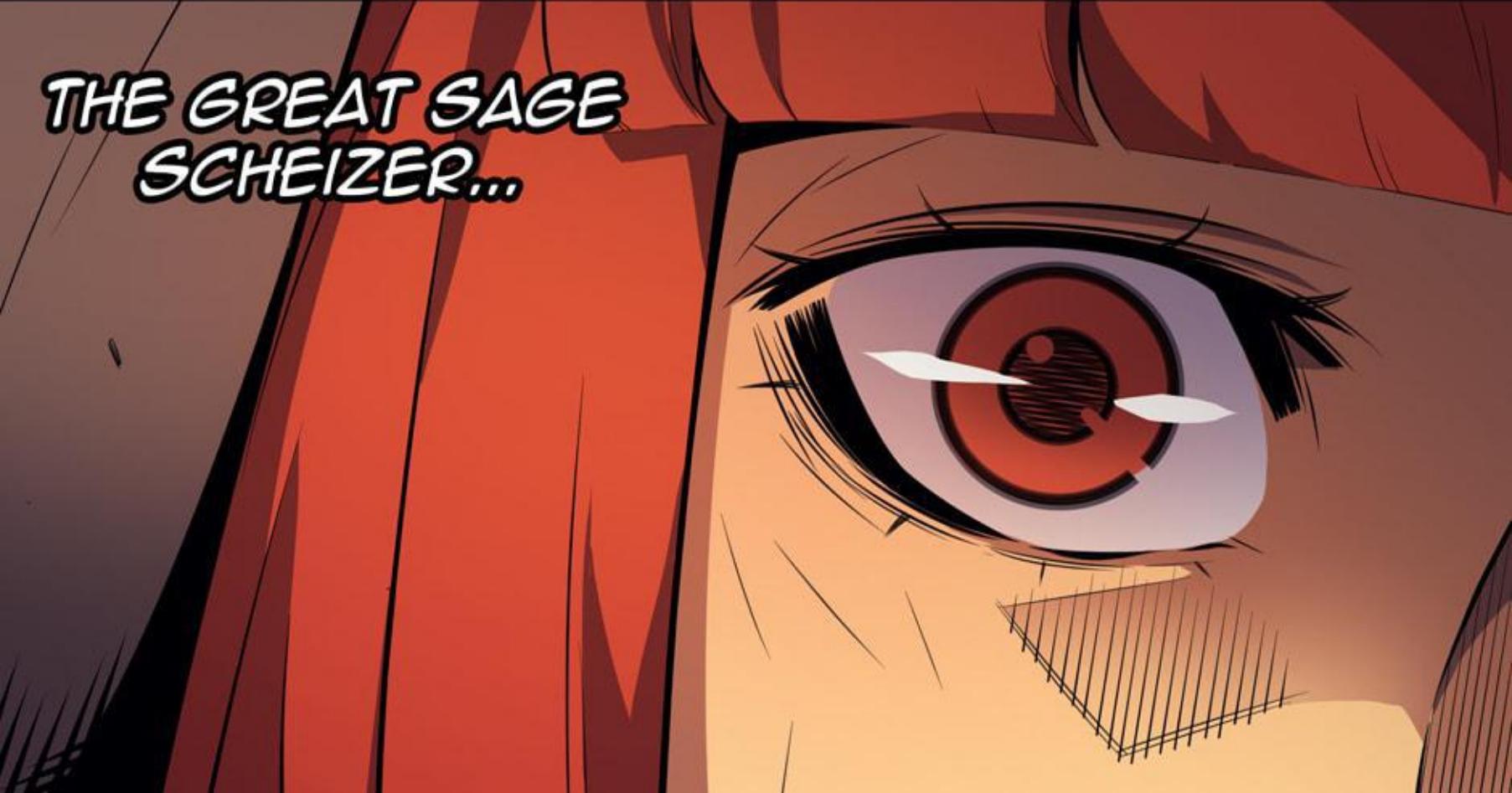
LUCAS, MY
OLD FRIEND.

DON'T GO!!



KRRRK







CALLED FREI...
LLUCAS...