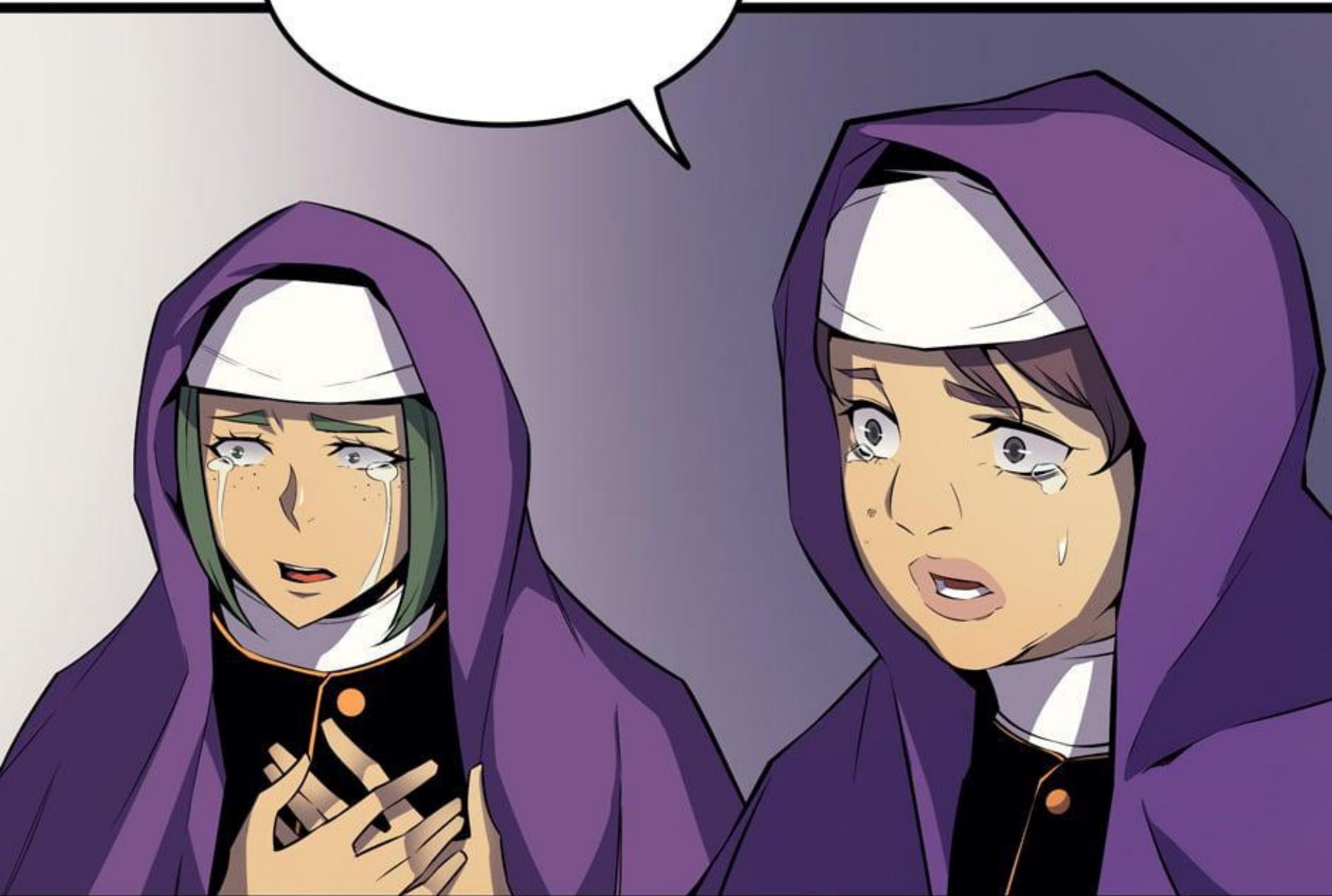
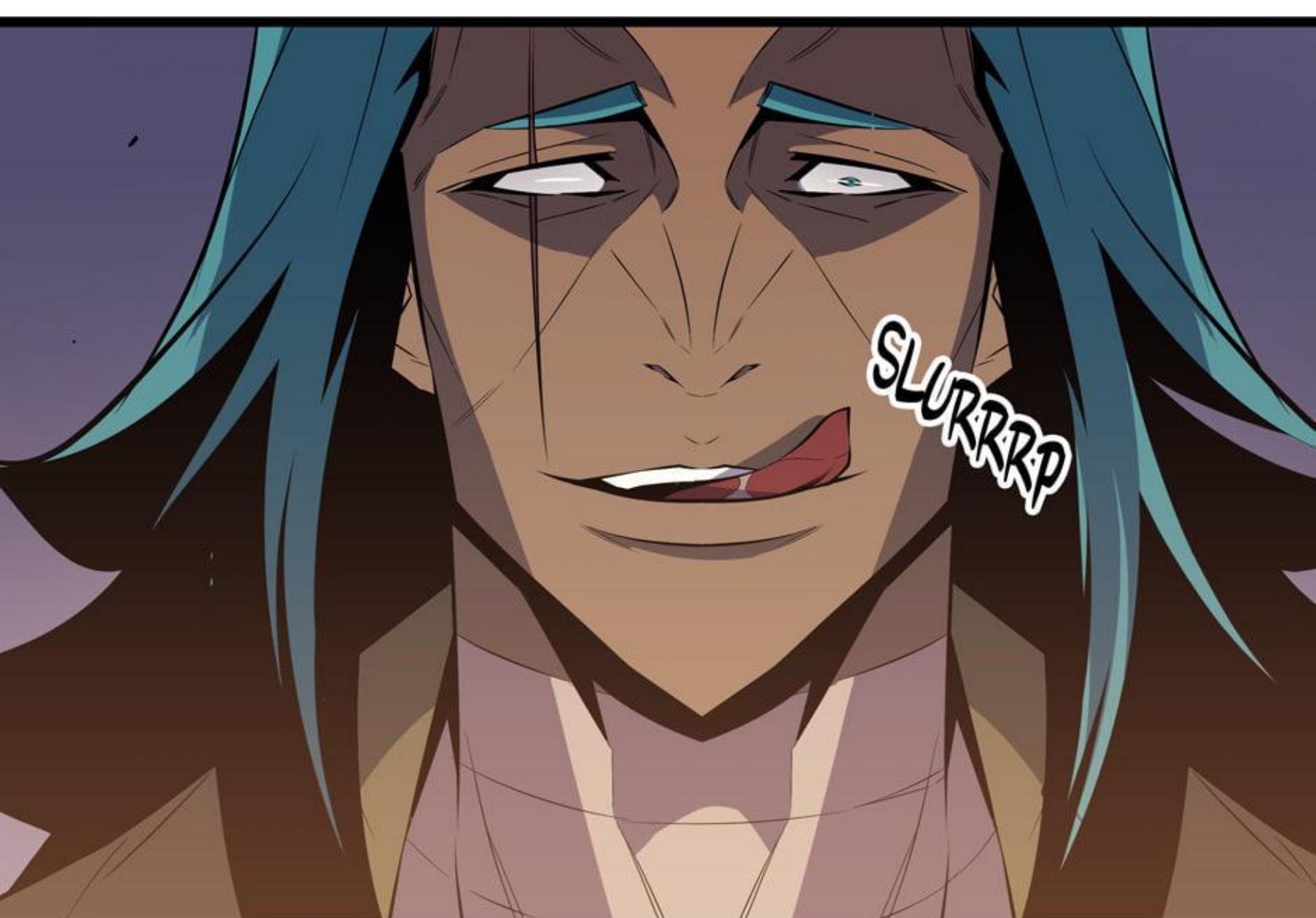


LADY SONYA...





LOOKS  
LIKE SPENDING  
A MONTH IN THESE  
SHITTY MOUNTAINS  
ACTUALLY PAID  
OFF, EH?

HAA  
HAA

YOU'RE  
QUITE THE  
DELICIOUS LASS

DELICIOUS LASS  
AS THE RUMORS  
CLAIMED, SONYA  
AQUARED.

BORN INTO THE  
PRESTIGIOUS HOUSE  
OF KNIGHTS AS THE ELDEST  
DAUGHTER AND GIFTED  
AT SWORDPLAY,



YOU'RE  
SAID TO BE THE  
GENIUS KNIGHT THAT  
RECEIVED THE TITLE OF  
RAINSTORM FROM  
HIS MAJESTY...

HAA  
HAA

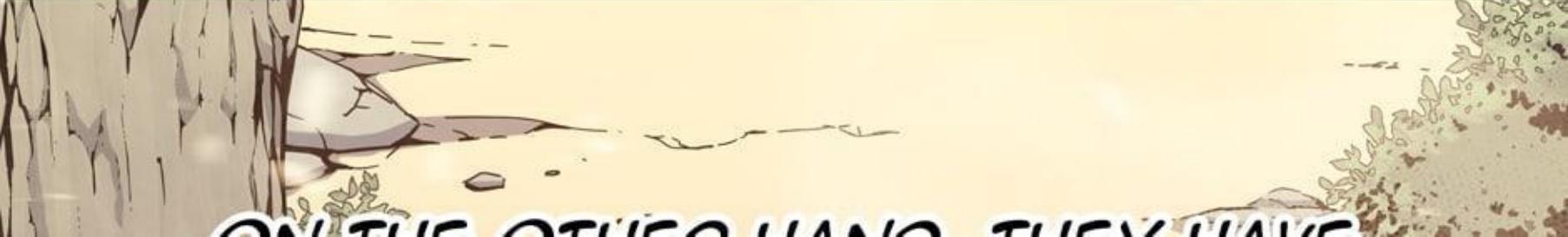
OUR KNIGHTS HAVE BEEN ANNIHILATED...

**THE ONLY ONES REMAINING ON OUR  
SIDE ARE TWO MAIDS AND SIR LUTHER...**



BUT SIR LUTHER  
RETIRED A LONG  
TIME AGO...

THE ONLY ONE  
WHO IS CAPABLE  
OF FIGHTING  
RIGHT NOW  
IS ME.



ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY HAVE

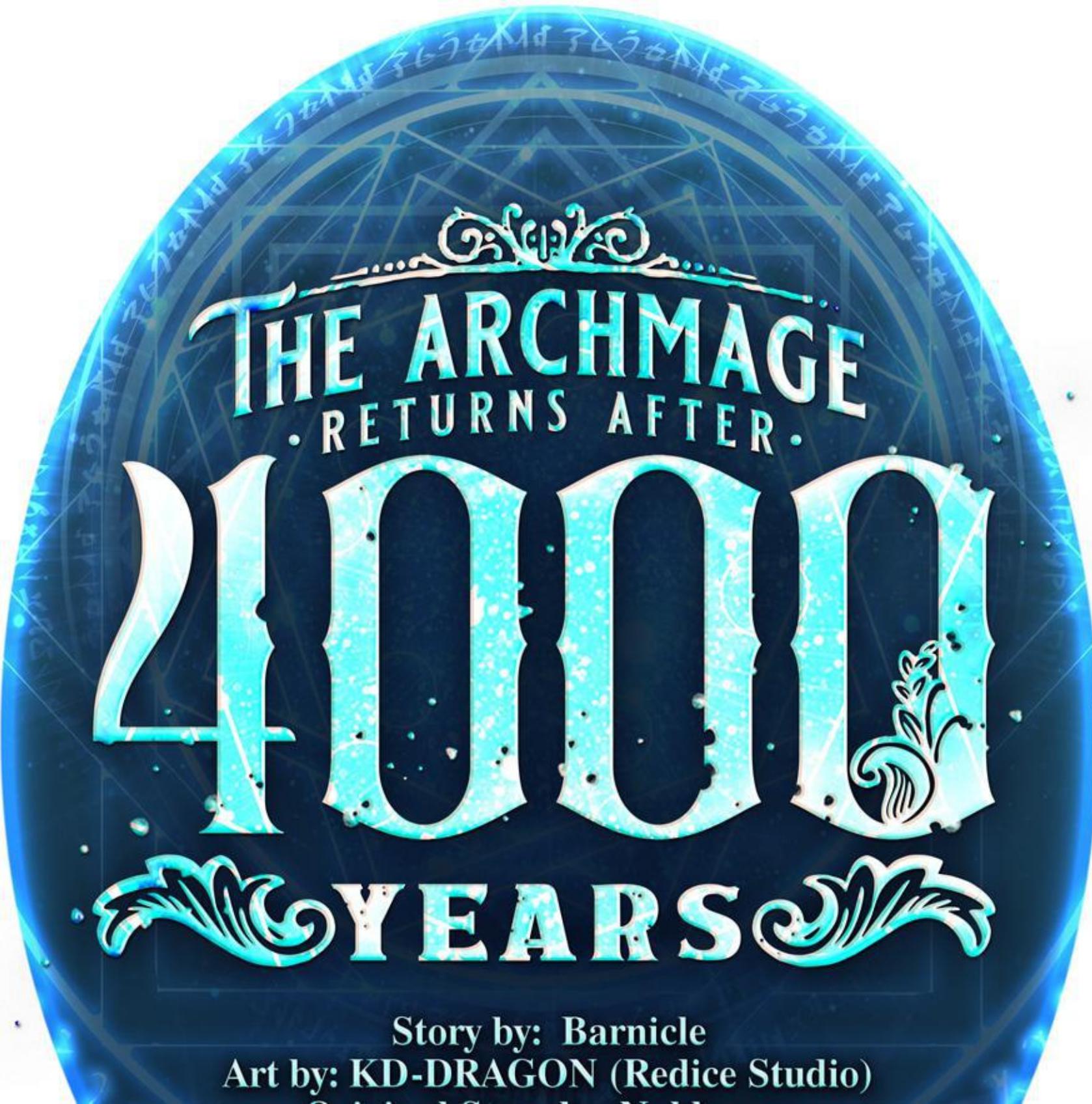
ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY HAVE  
A LITTLE MORE THAN TWENTY ON  
THEIR SIDE... NOT TO MENTION  
THEY'RE ALL QUITE SKILLED.







THIS IS THE WORST  
POSSIBLE SITUATION... SHIT!



THE ARCHMAGE  
RETURNS AFTER  
**4000**  
YEARS

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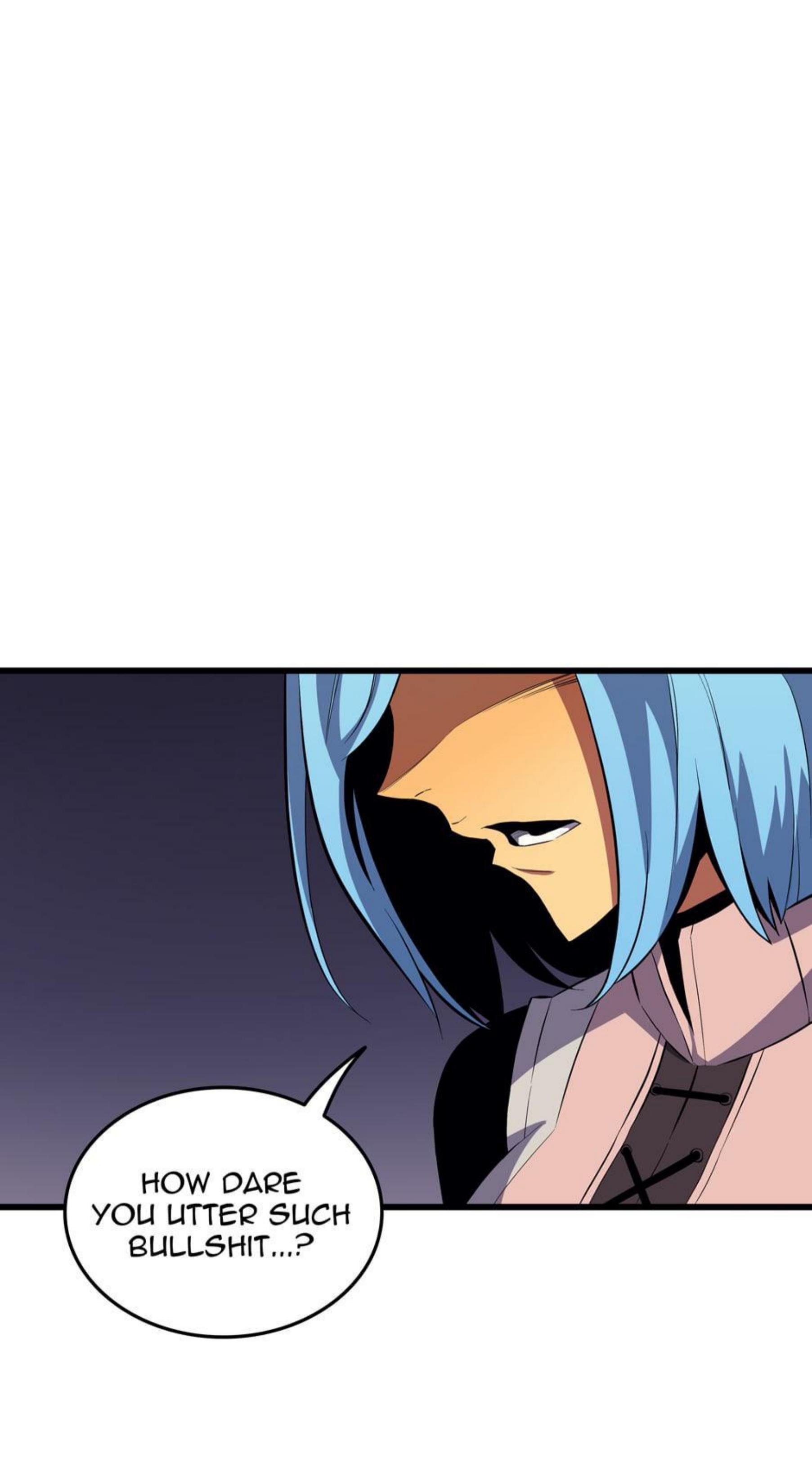
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BUT I'M  
CURIOS ABOUT  
ONE THING...



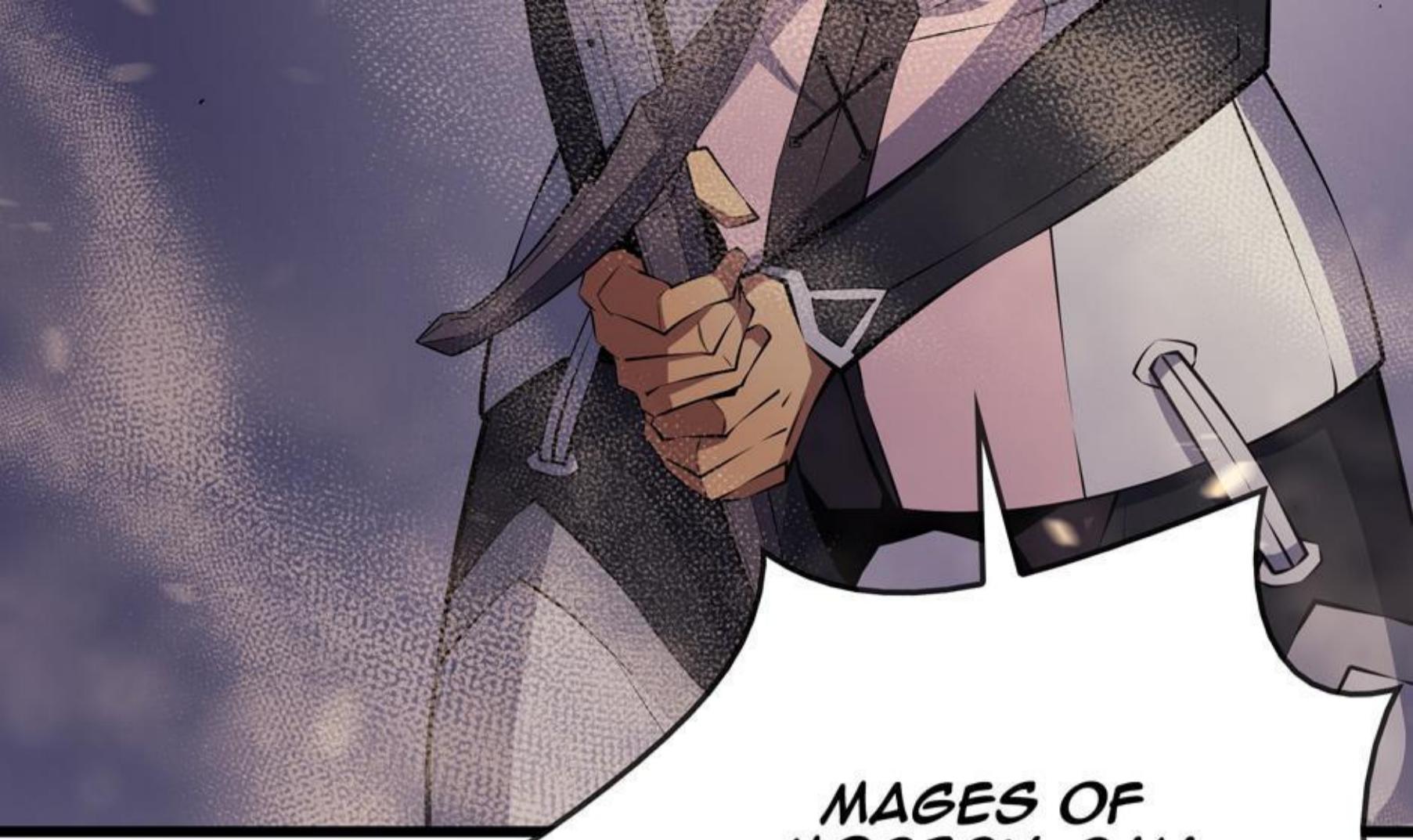
WHERE IS  
YOUR HIRED  
BATTLE MAGE?



HOW DARE  
YOU UTTER SUCH  
BULLSHIT...?

**DO YOU  
HONESTLY BELIEVE  
THAT A PROUD LINEAGE  
OF POWERFUL KNIGHTS  
WOULD RESORT TO  
HIRING A USELESS  
MAGE AS AN  
ESCORT?!**

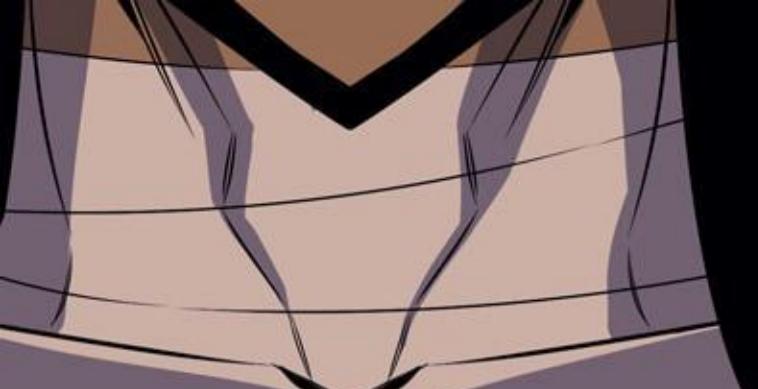




MAGES OF  
MODERN-DAY  
ARE NAUGHT BUT  
WEAKLINGS!

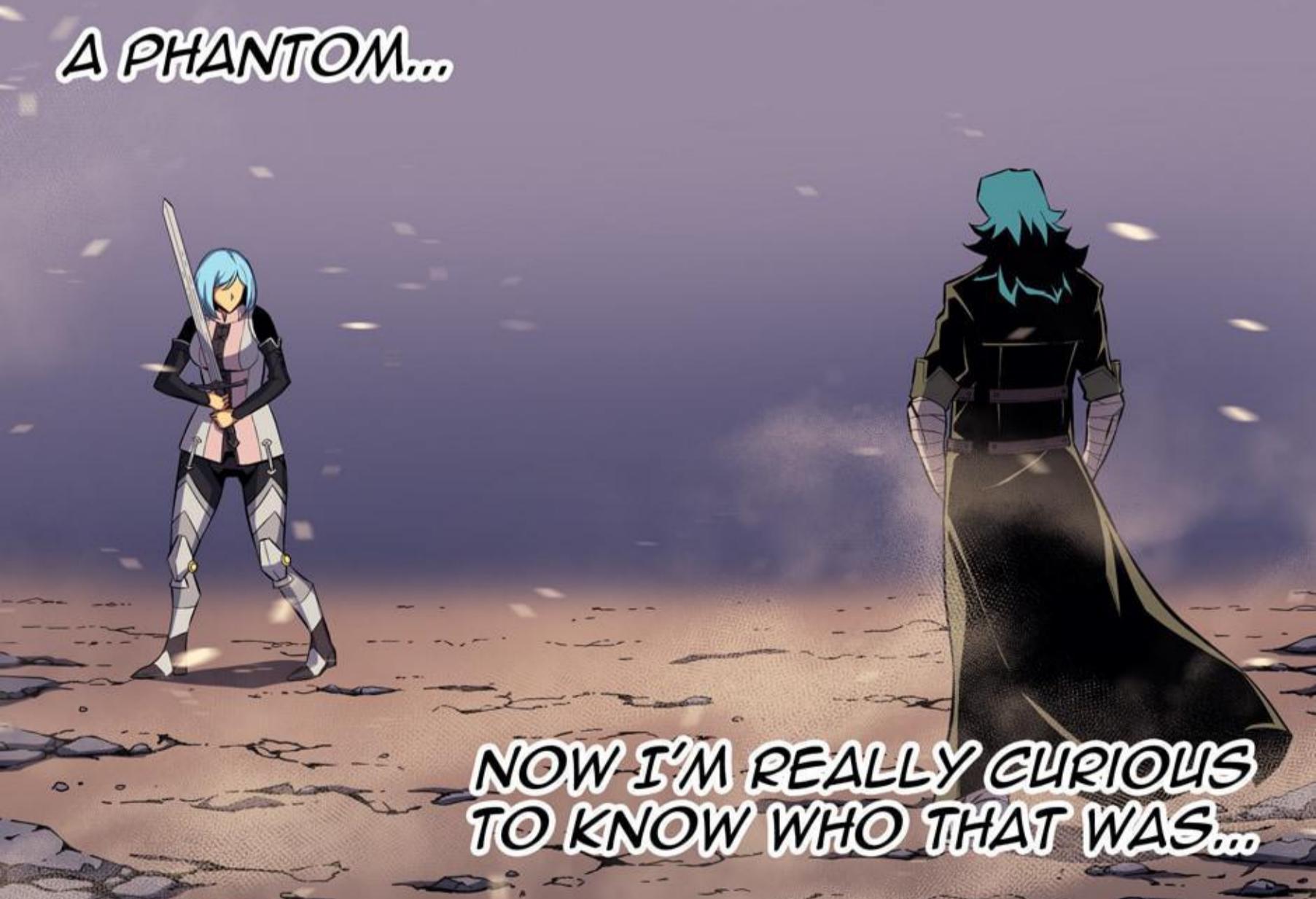


THAT'S WHAT  
I THOUGHT...



THE GUY WHO  
ICED MY BOYS ISN'T  
INVOLVED WITH THE  
AQUAREEDS,

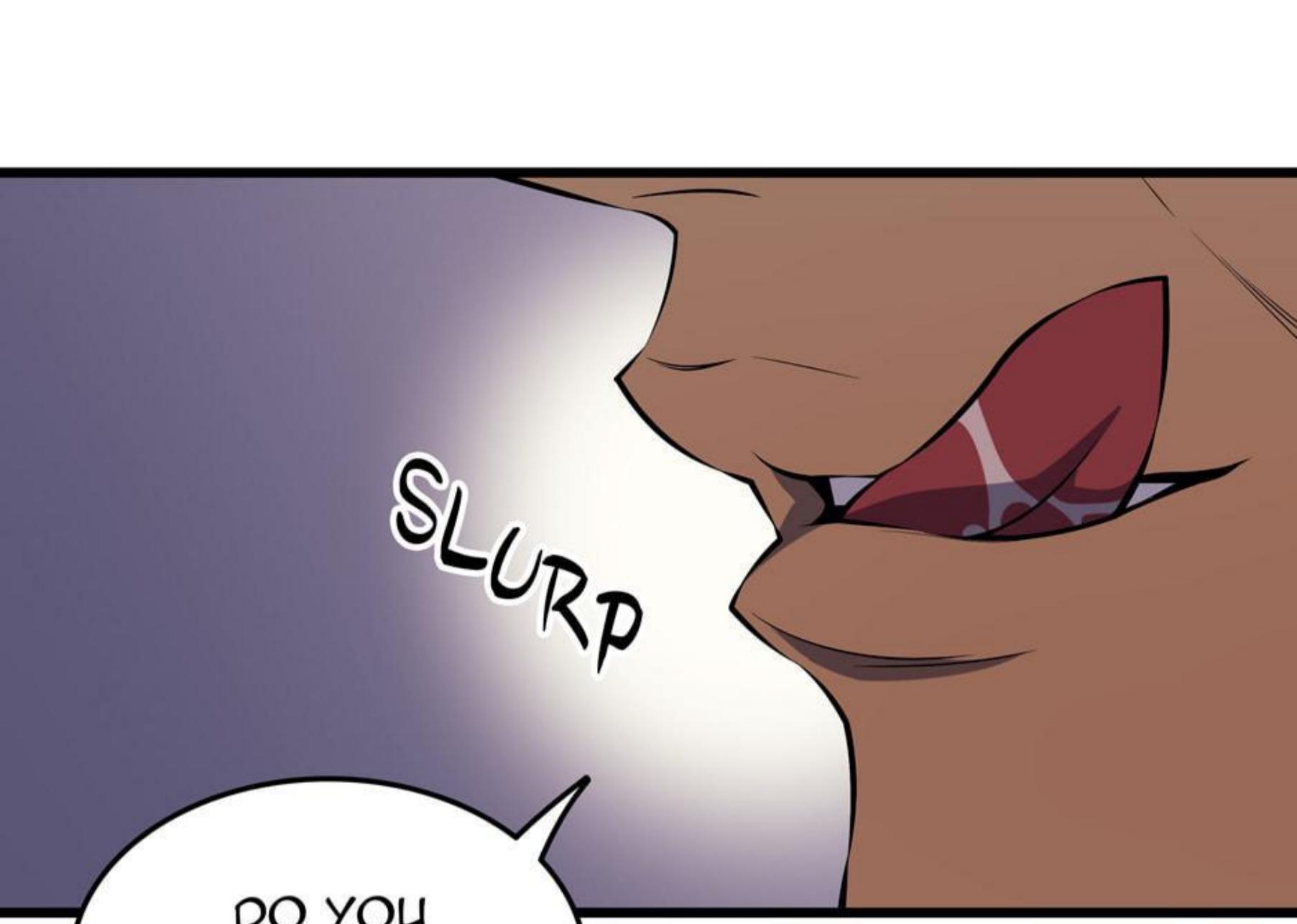
A PHANTOM...



NOW I'M REALLY CURIOUS  
TO KNOW WHO THAT WAS...

OH, BUT DON'T  
WORRY. WE AIN'T  
GONNA KILL YOU  
RIGHT AWAY.

WHAT ARE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT?!



SLURP

DO YOU  
REALLY NEED  
TO ASK?

I THINK YOU'RE  
A SMART ENOUGH  
GIRL TO KNOW WHAT'S  
COMING FOR YOU IN  
THIS SITUATION,  
RIGHT?







TO THINK THAT  
GUYS LIKE US WOULD  
ONE DAY GET A CHANCE  
TO BANG A REAL  
NOBLEWOMAN.



A RARE  
OCCASION,  
WOULDN'T YOU  
AGREE?



GRIT

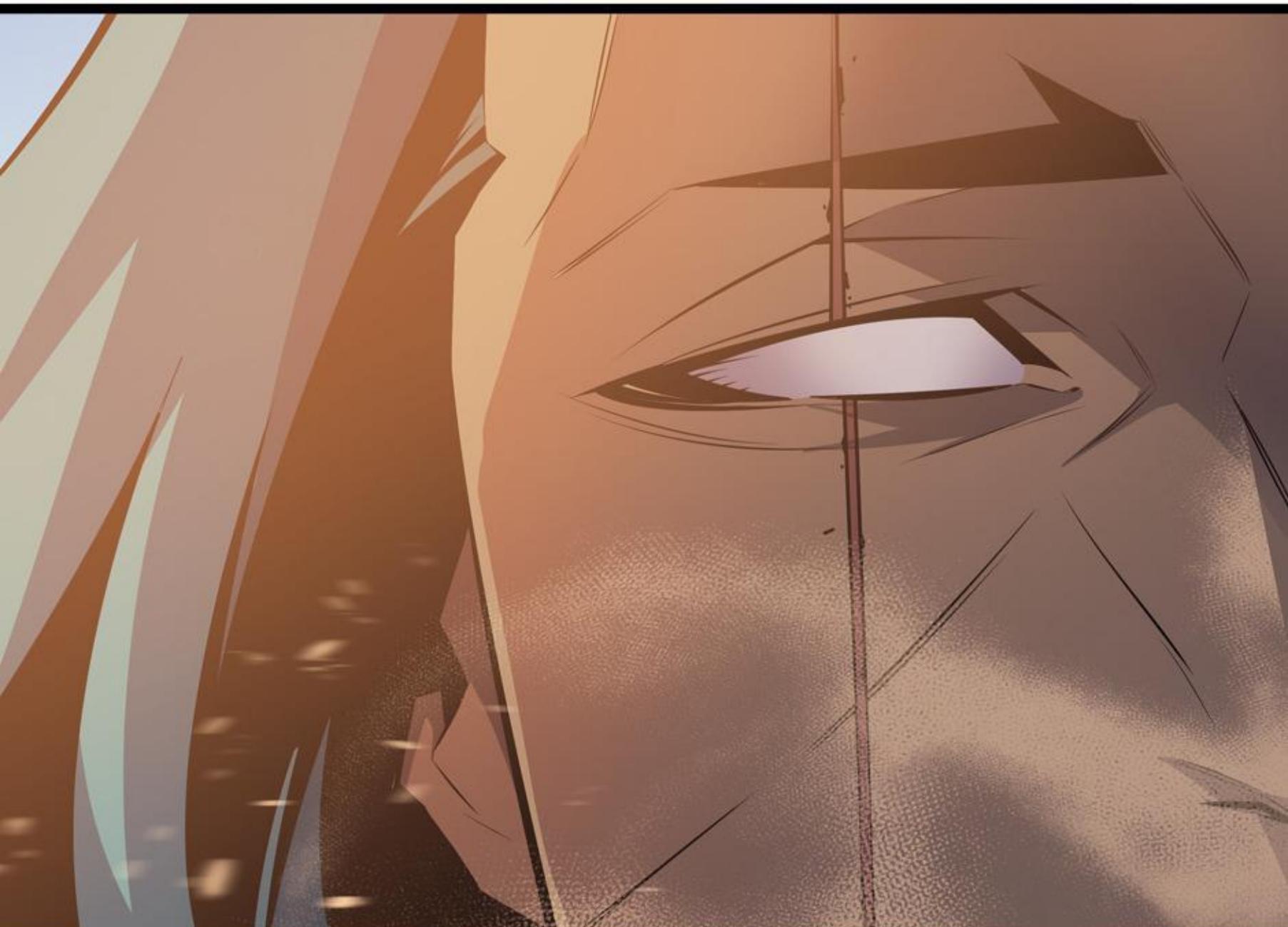
SHUT THE  
FUCK UP...

I'D SOONER BITE  
MY TONGUE OFF

THAN  
BECOME YOUR

BECOME YOUR  
PLAYTHING!







HEY,  
DON'T LET US  
STOP YOU.

IF YOU CROAK,  
THEN WE'LL JUST  
HAVE OUR FUN  
WITH THE WOMEN  
BEHIND YOU.



WE'VE BEEN  
STAKING OUT  
ON THIS SHITTY ASS  
MOUNTAIN JUST FOR  
THIS OPPORTUNITY  
TO CAPTURE  
YOU ALIVE.





I'M SURE YOU  
NOTICED THAT MY  
BOYS ARE PRETTY  
DARN THIRSTY  
RIGHT NOW.



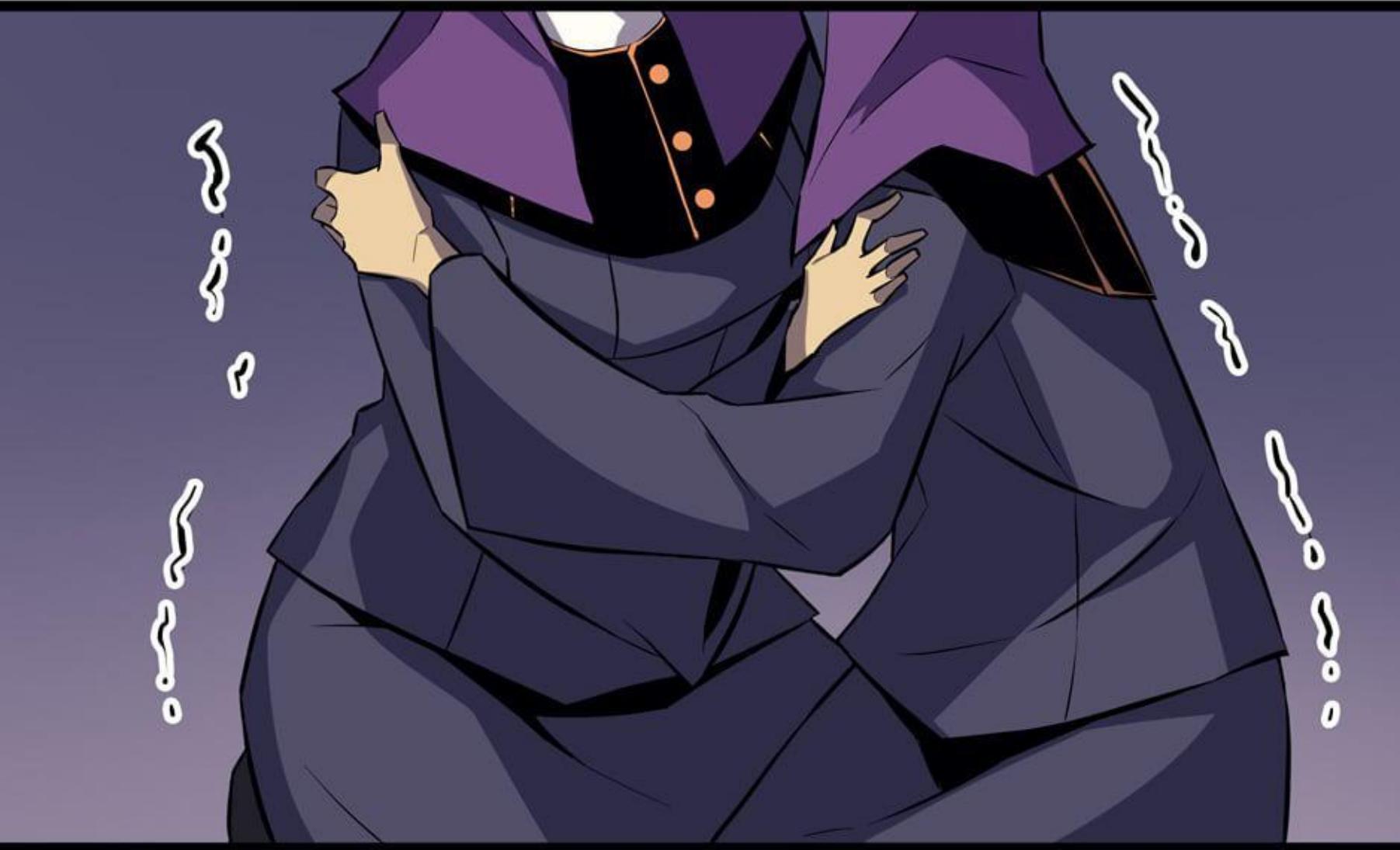
AND LET  
ME TELL YOU,  
THOSE WOMEN  
WILL WISH THEY  
WERE DEAD WHEN  
MY BOYS HAVE

MY BOYS HAVE  
THEIR FUN.

FUCKING BASTARDS...



**SO THAT'S WHY THEY'VE  
SPARED THOSE GIRLS!**



W-WE...

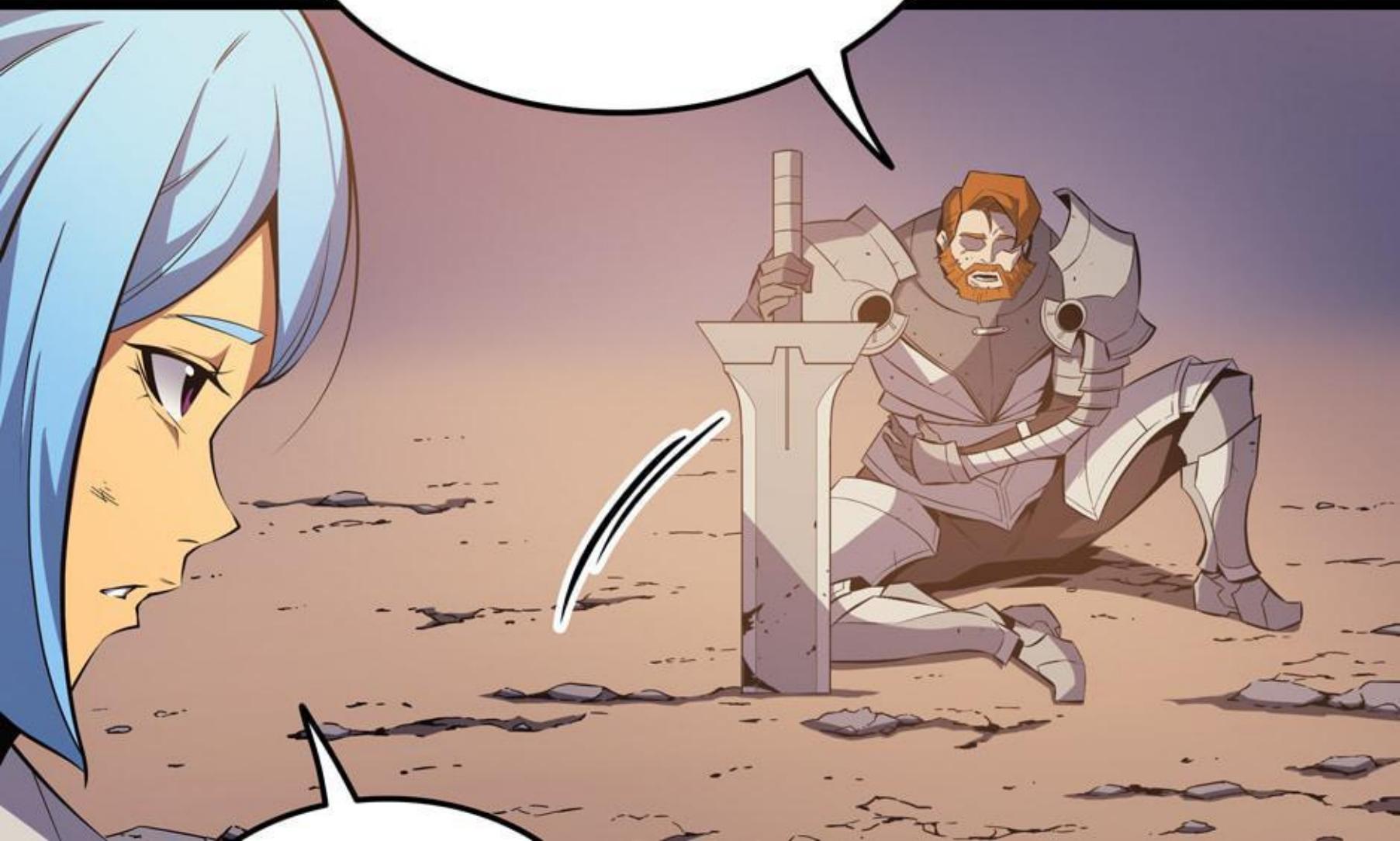
WE CAN'T  
LET OURSELVES  
DRAG YOU DOWN,

MILADY!



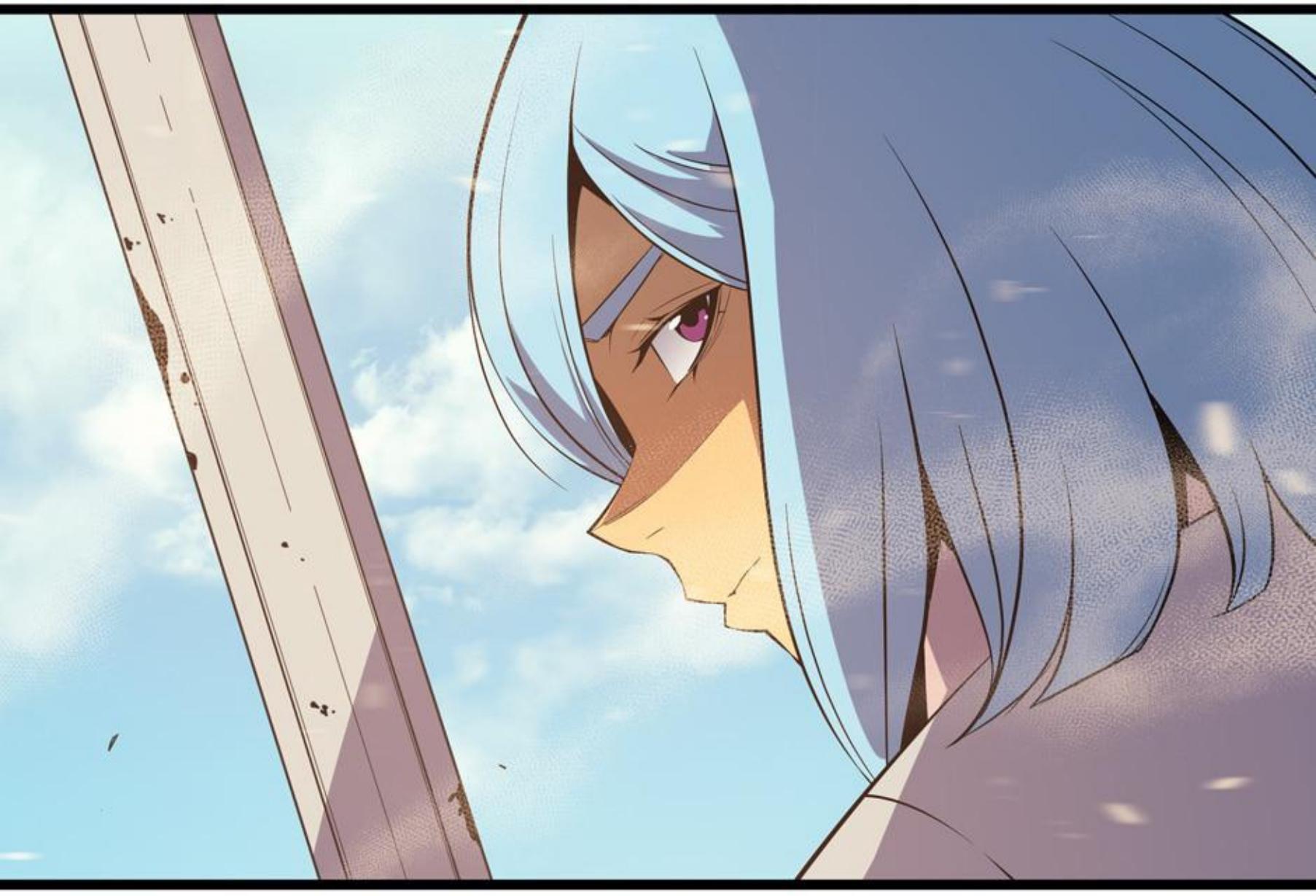


I WILL GLADLY  
DIE IF IT MEANT  
DEFENDING YOUR  
HONOR, LADY  
SONYA.



SIR LUTHER...





SIGH





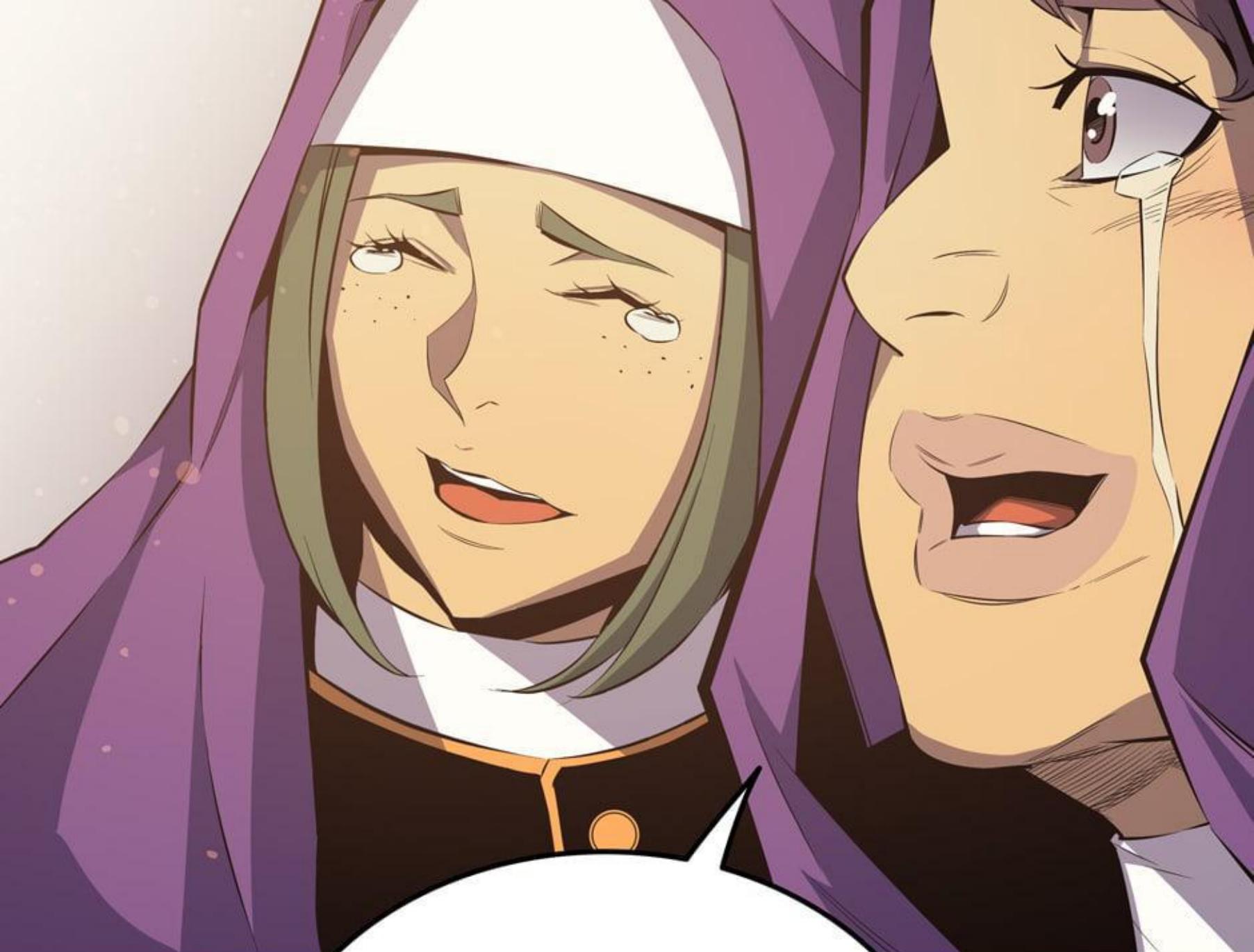
I'M SORRY...



FOR DRAGGING YOU  
INTO THIS MESS DUE  
TO MY INCOMPETENCE  
AS YOUR MASTER...



NONSENSE,  
MILADY.



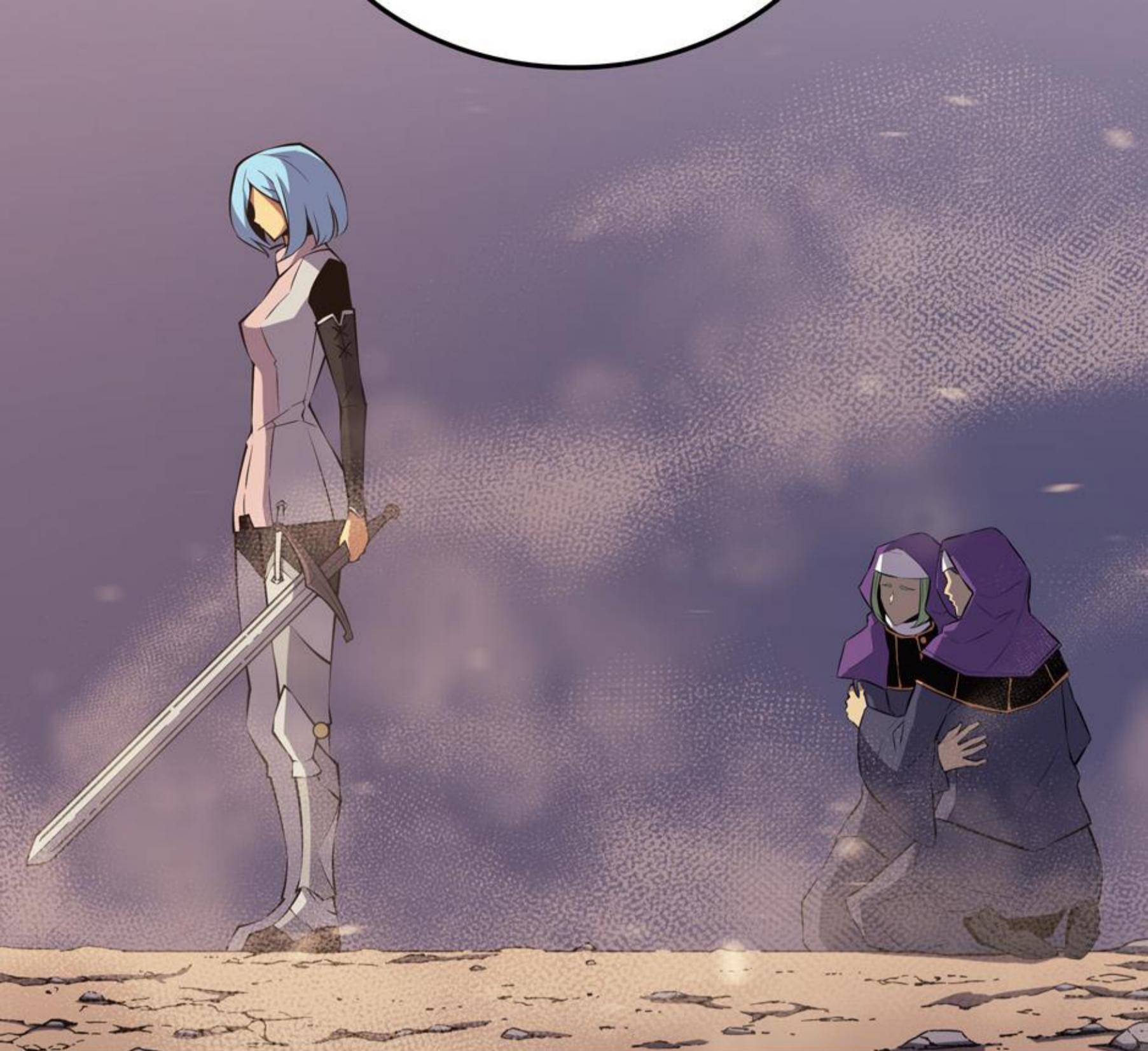
WE GREW UP  
ON THE GOOD  
GRACES OF THE  
RESPECTABLE  
AQUAREED  
HOUSE.





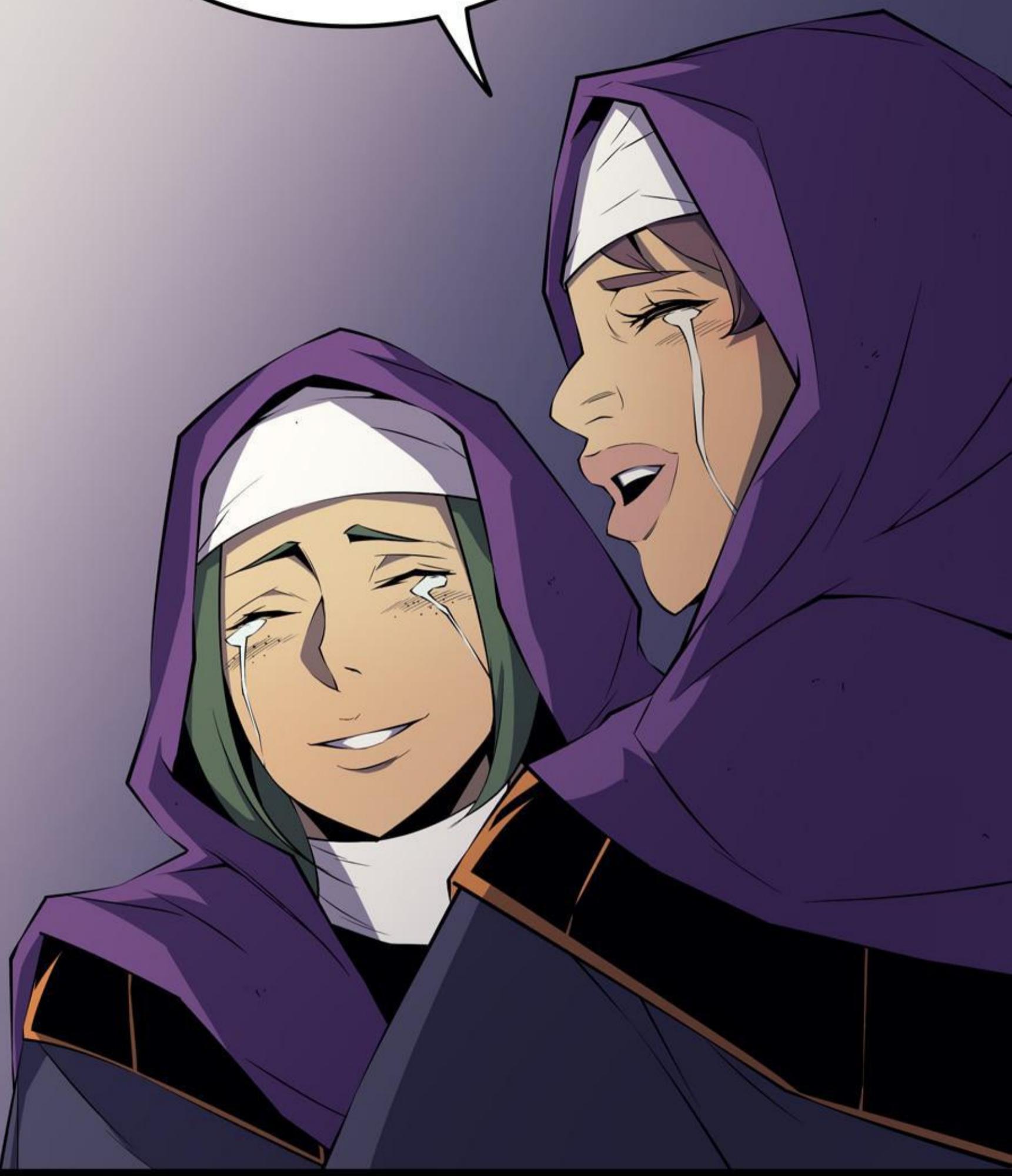
WE BEG  
YOU, MILADY.

WE PLEAD  
YOU TO GRANT  
SWIFT AND PAINLESS  
DEATH WITH YOUR  
BLADE.



IT WOULD BE  
DISHONORABLE TO  
REUNITE WITH OUR LADY

IN HEAVEN IF WE BECOME  
PLAYTHINGS TO THOSE  
ANIMALS.



SO BE IT...

CLENCH

LET US  
REUNITE IN  
HEAVEN PROUDLY  
AND WITH  
DIGNITY.

HEY HEY,  
WHOA THERE!

WHAT THE  
FLICK ARE THESE  
CRAZY BITCHES  
SAYING?

TO UPHOLD  
THE HONOR  
OF THESE  
TWO YOUNG  
MAIDENS...!



AND TO  
UPHOLD HONOR  
FOR THE HOUSE  
AQUARREED...!

I, SONYA  
AQUAREED...

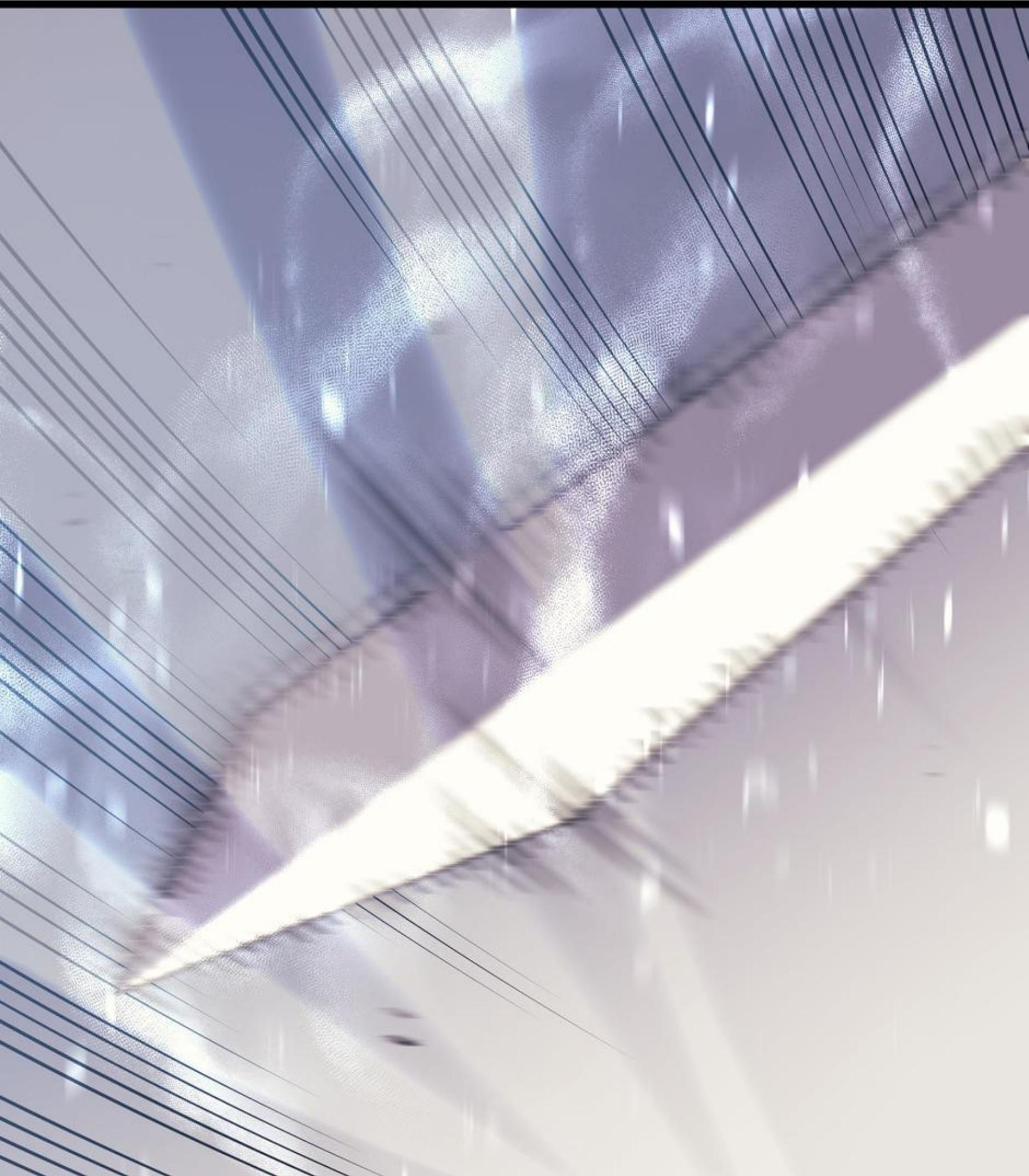
SHK

GLADLY PLEDGE  
MYSELF TO ESCORT  
YOU ON YOUR NEW  
JOURNEY TO THE  
AFTERLIFE!



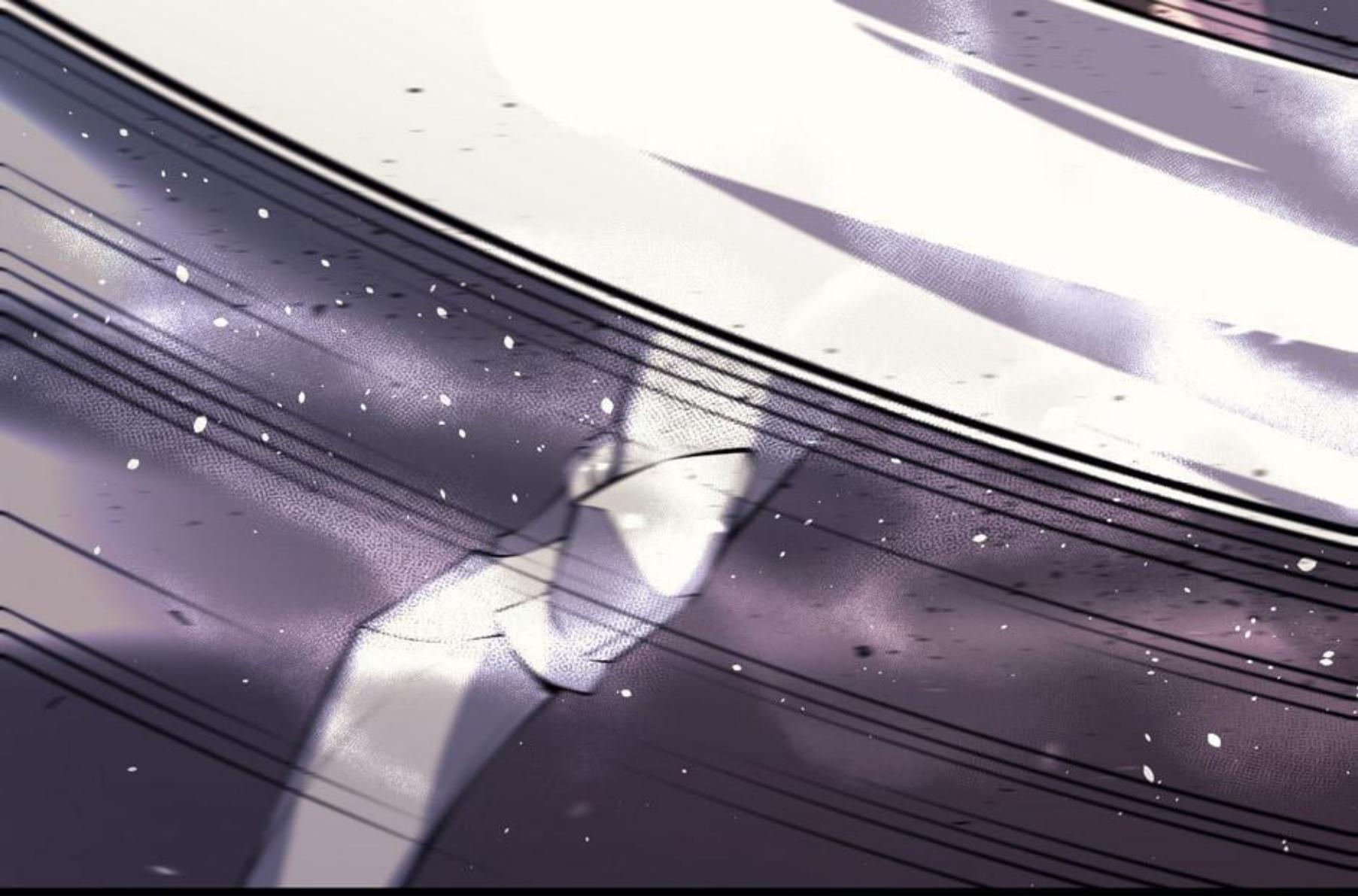
WHAT ARE  
YOU DOLTS  
DOING?!

QUICK!  
STOP HER!



**FLASH**

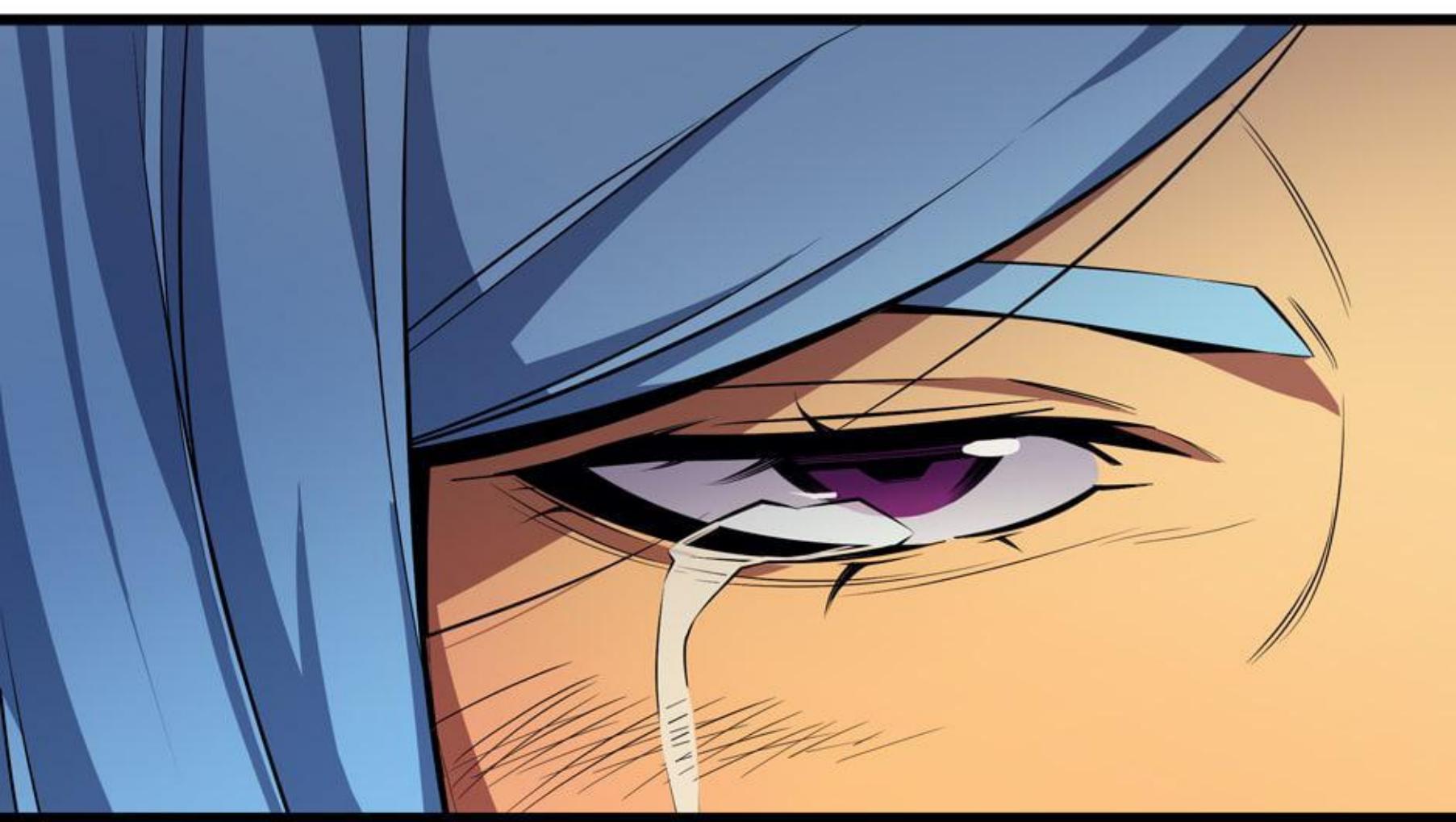
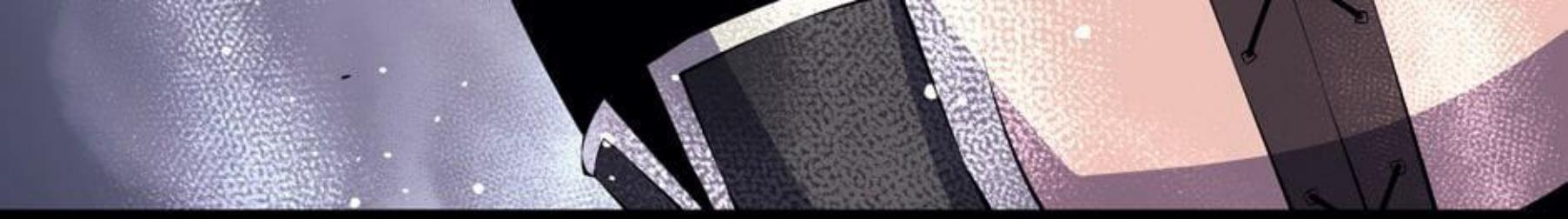




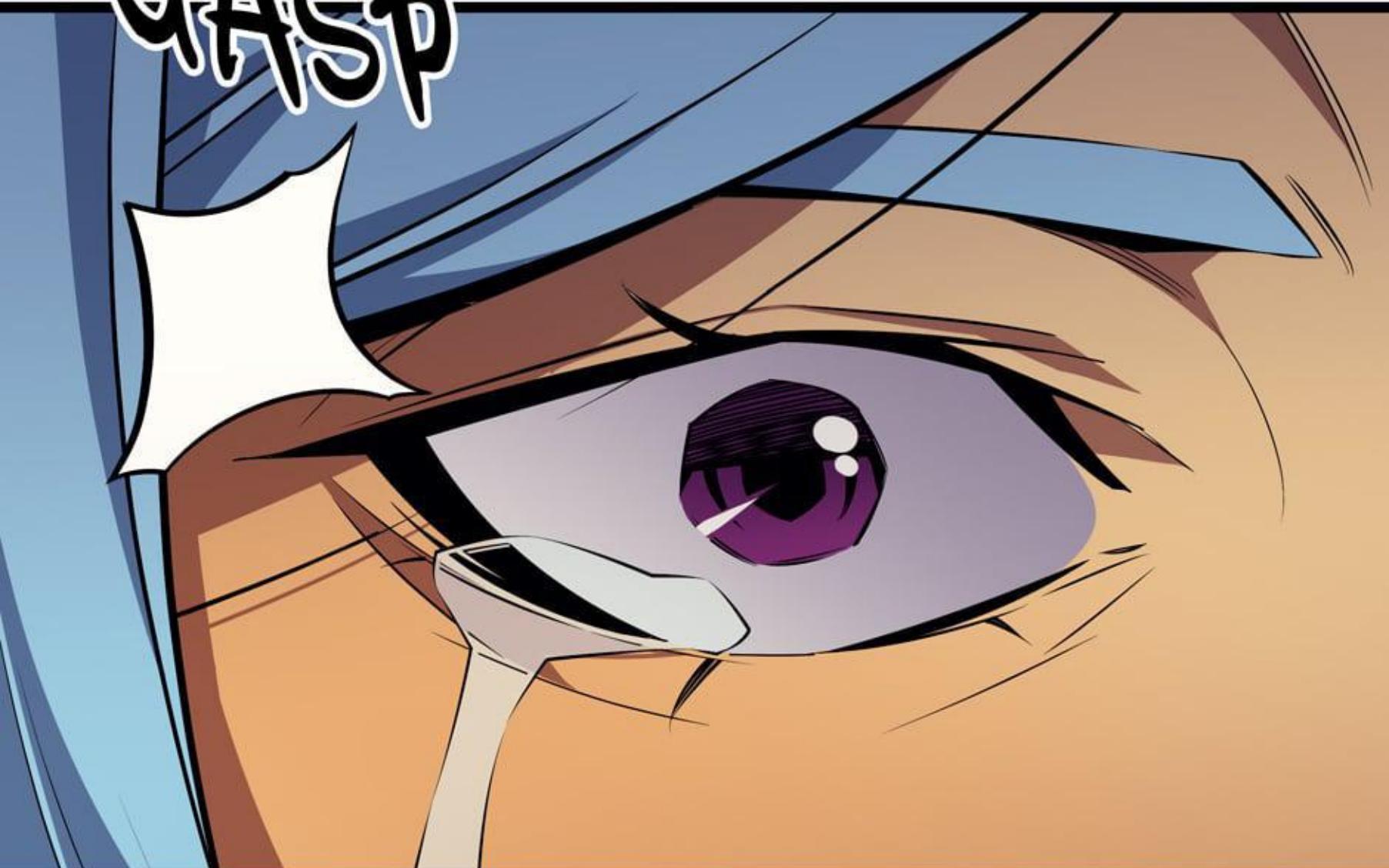
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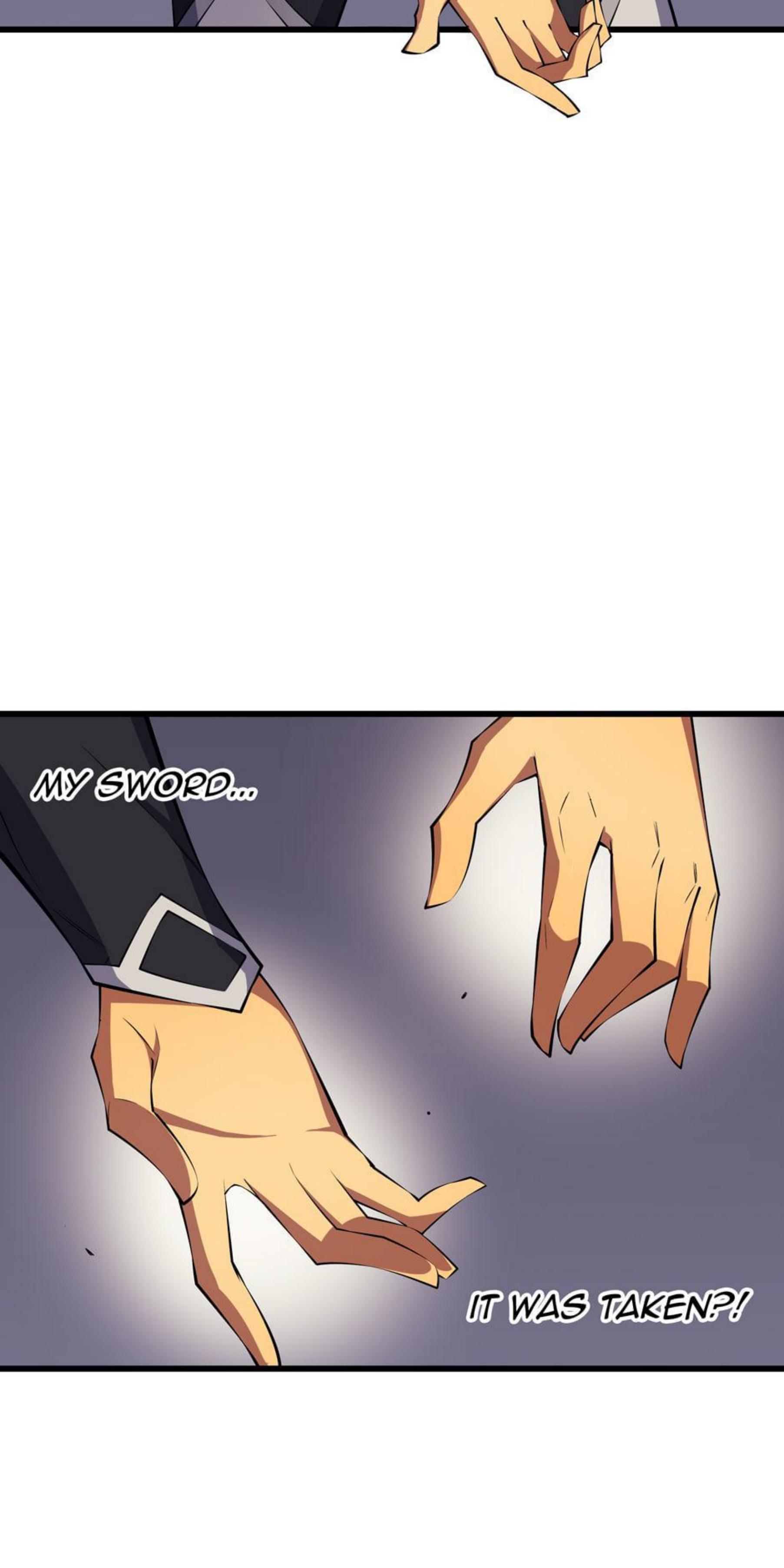


GASP









MY SWORD...

IT WAS TAKEN?!



WHEN DID THEY...?



TO THINK THEY  
WERE THIS SKILLED...  
THE SKULLSPLITTER  
BANDITS...

*SHIT...*

*CLENCH*





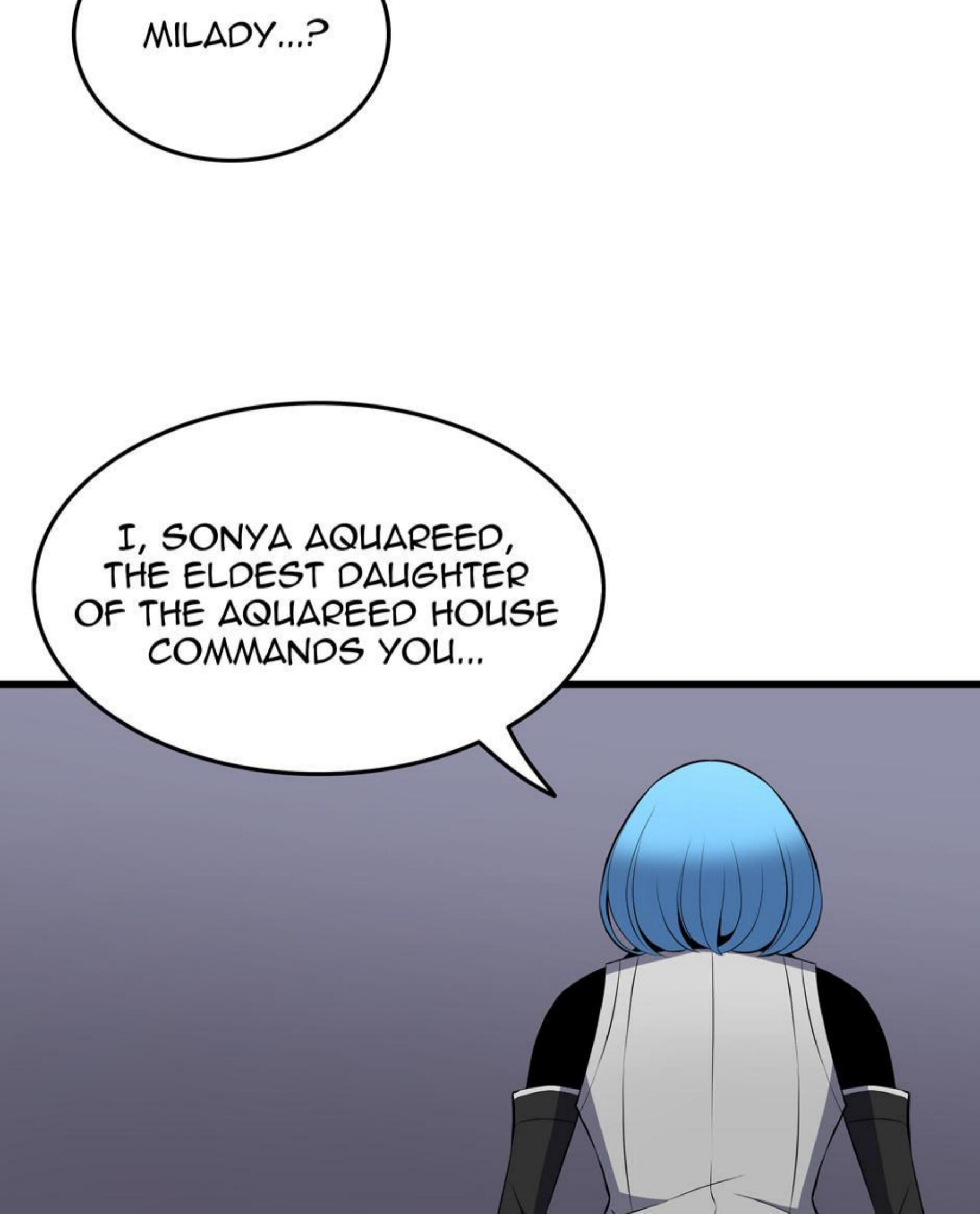
I NEVER  
WOULD HAVE  
THOUGHT I WOULD  
SUFFER THE WORST  
POSSIBLE HUMILIATION  
AS A KNIGHT...



FORGIVE ME...  
FOR BEING UNABLE  
TO GRANT YOU AN  
HONORABLE  
DEATH.



MILADY...?

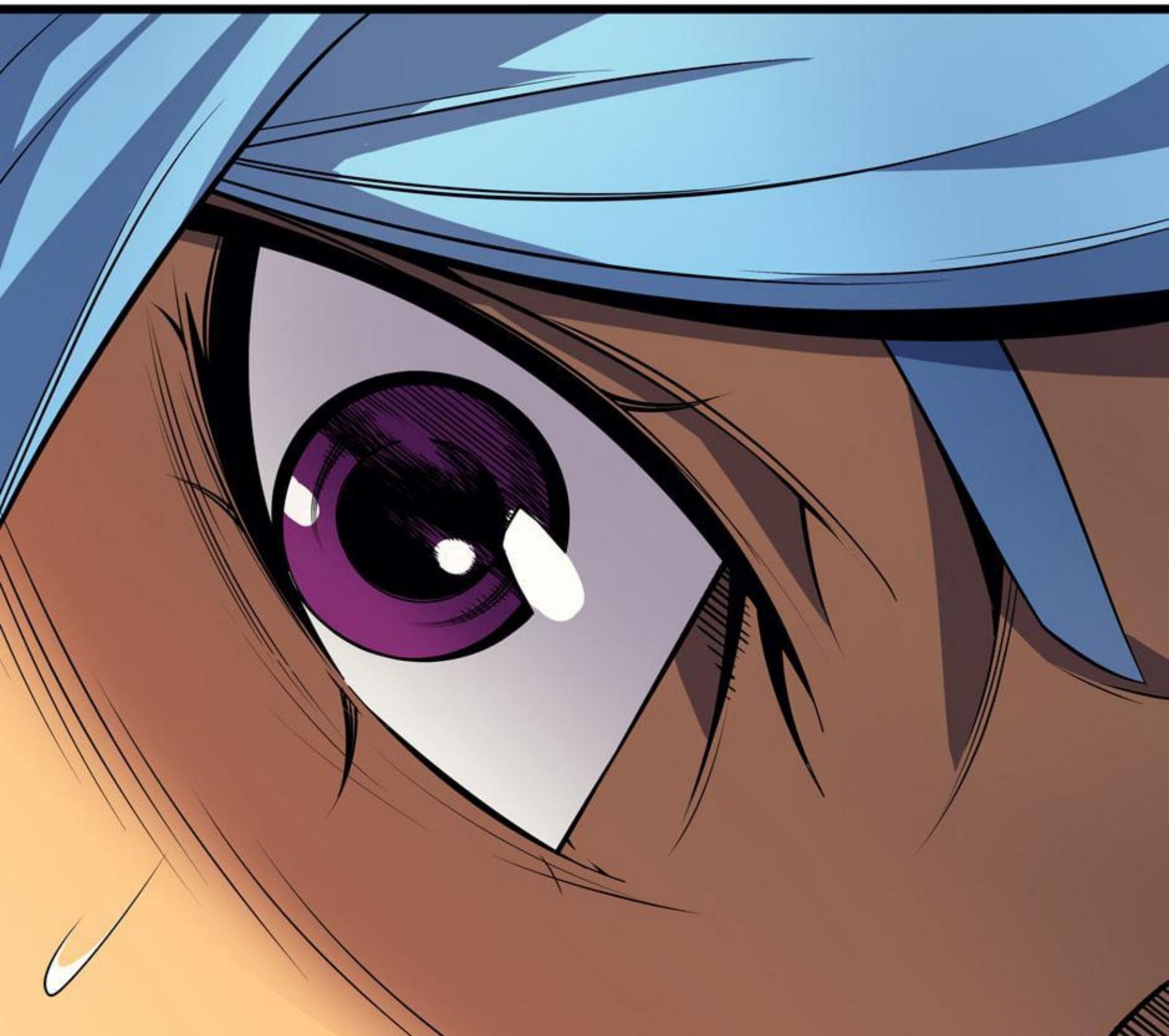


I, SONYA AQUAREED,  
THE ELDEST DAUGHTER  
OF THE AQUAREED HOUSE  
COMMANDS YOU...



TO BITE YOUR  
OWN TONGUES AND  
COMMIT...

LADY SONYA!





...  
SO YOU  
FINALLY SHOWED  
YOUR FACE,  
AYE?





**PHANTOM.**