

THE ARCHMAGE

RETURNS AFTER.

4000

YEARS

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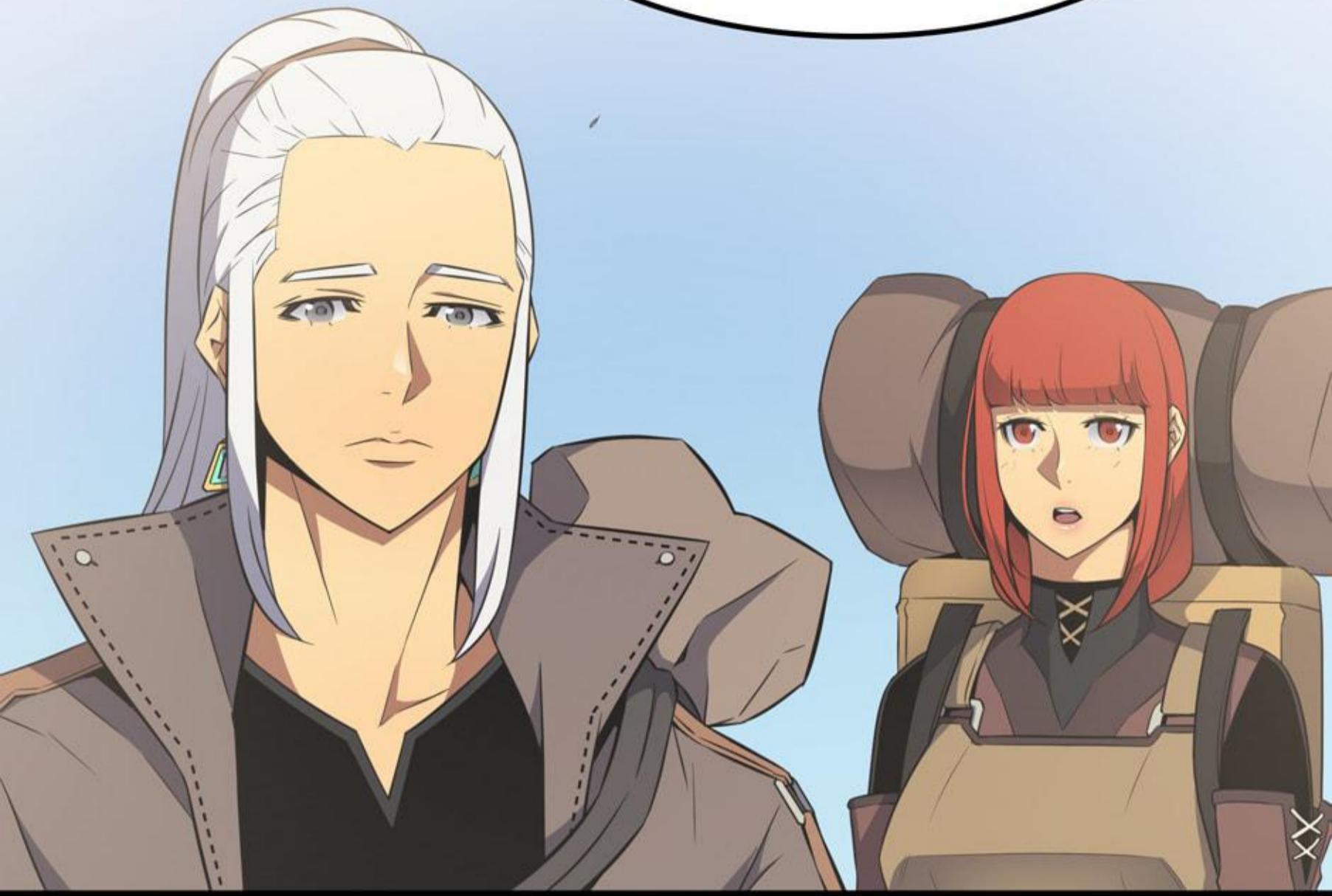
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THE BASILISKS TAILS...?



WHAT SHOULD
WE DO, FREI...?



YOU'VE

COME ALL THIS WAY FOR US...

BUT THE SITUATION WE'RE FACING IS QUITE COMPLICATED.

AH... SO YOU
MUST BE FREI BLAKE!



I APOLOGIZE
FOR HAVING MADE NO
PROPER PREPARATIONS
TO RECEIVE YOU....!



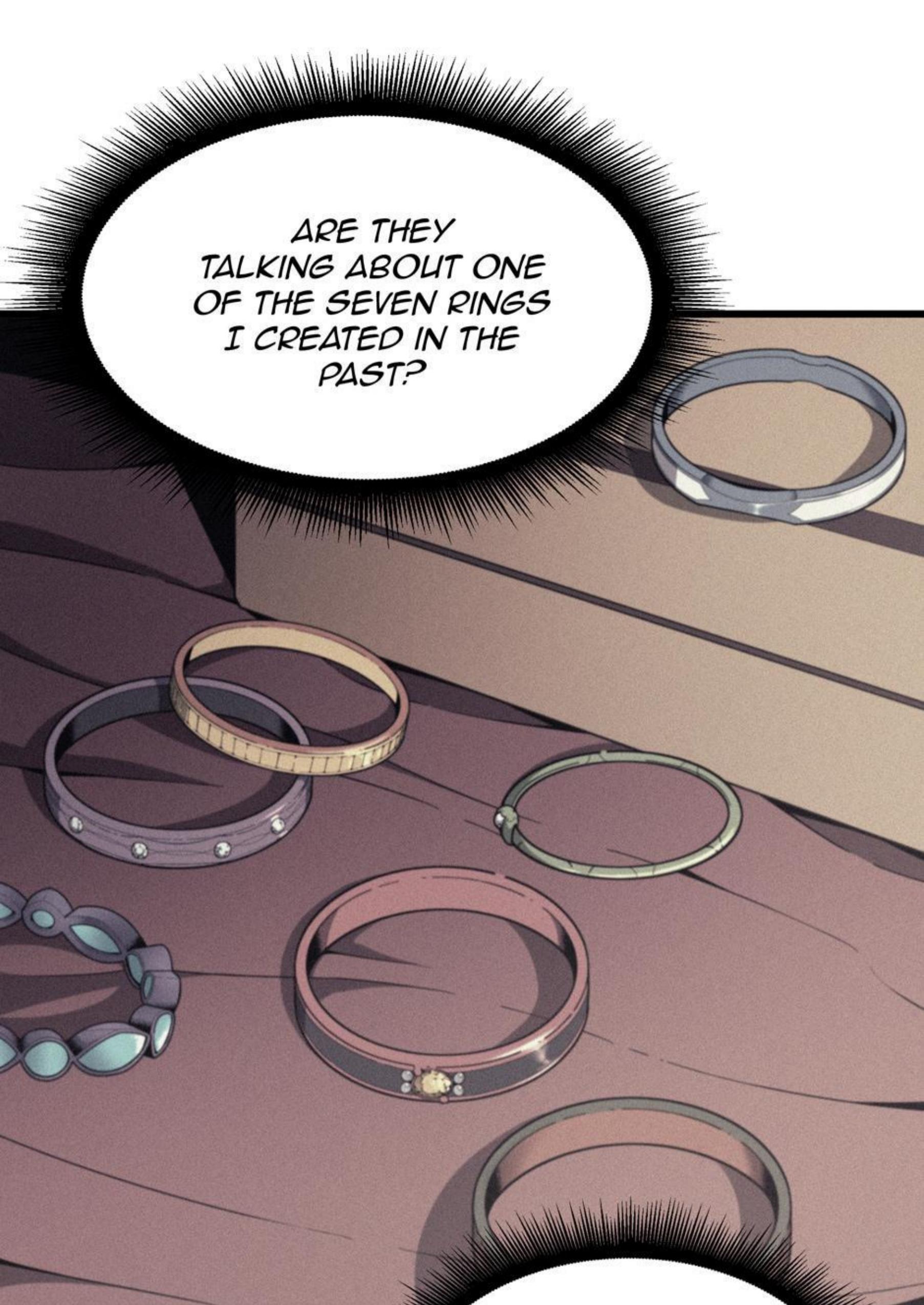
SO WHAT
ARTIFACT DID THEY
TAKE FROM US?



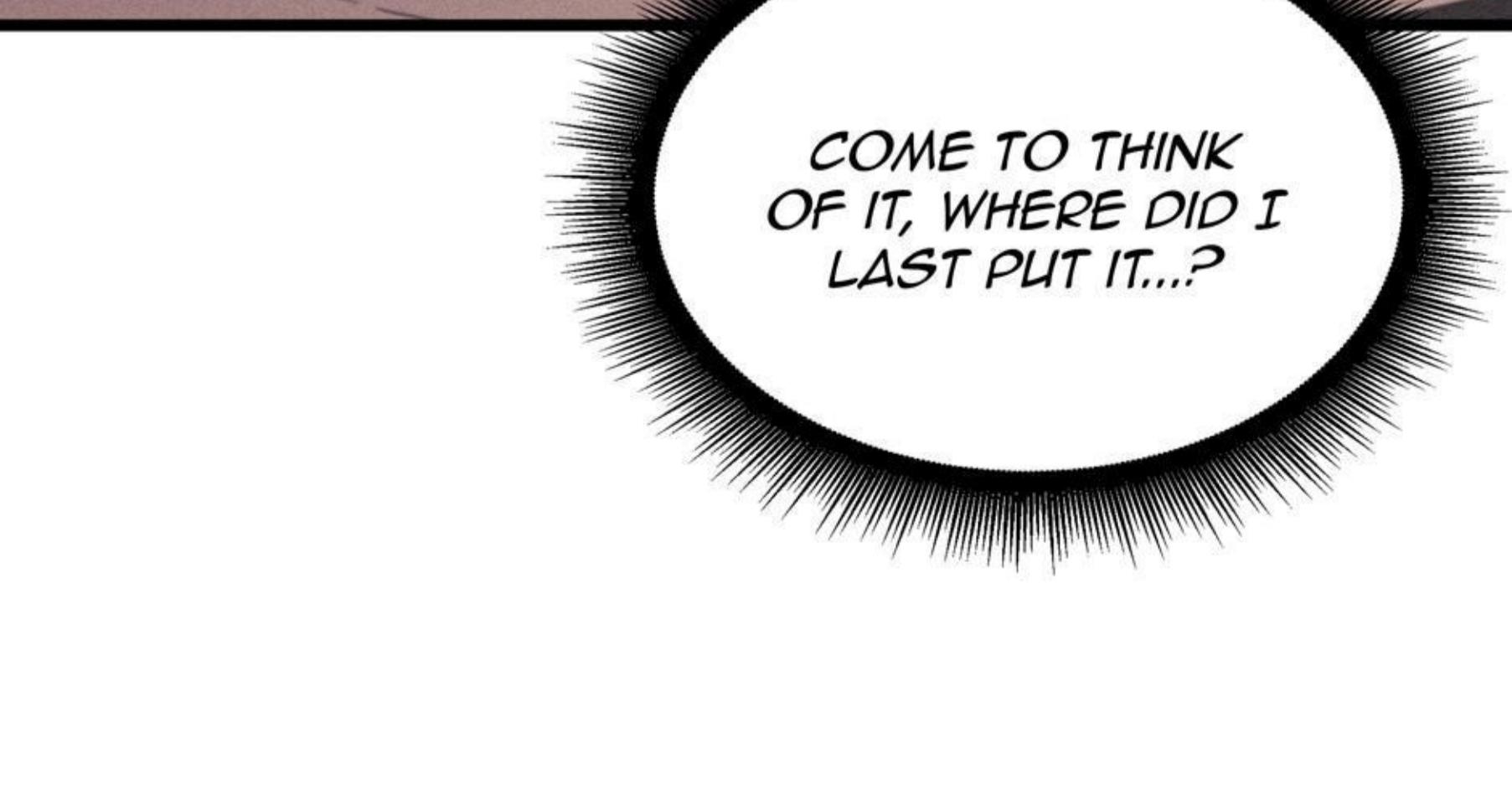
THE RED RING!



RED RING?



ARE THEY
TALKING ABOUT ONE
OF THE SEVEN RINGS
I CREATED IN THE
PAST?



COME TO THINK
OF IT, WHERE DID I
LAST PUT IT...?

OH, LOOK
WHO IT IS!

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WHY, IF IT ISN'T
MASTER VENIAN?

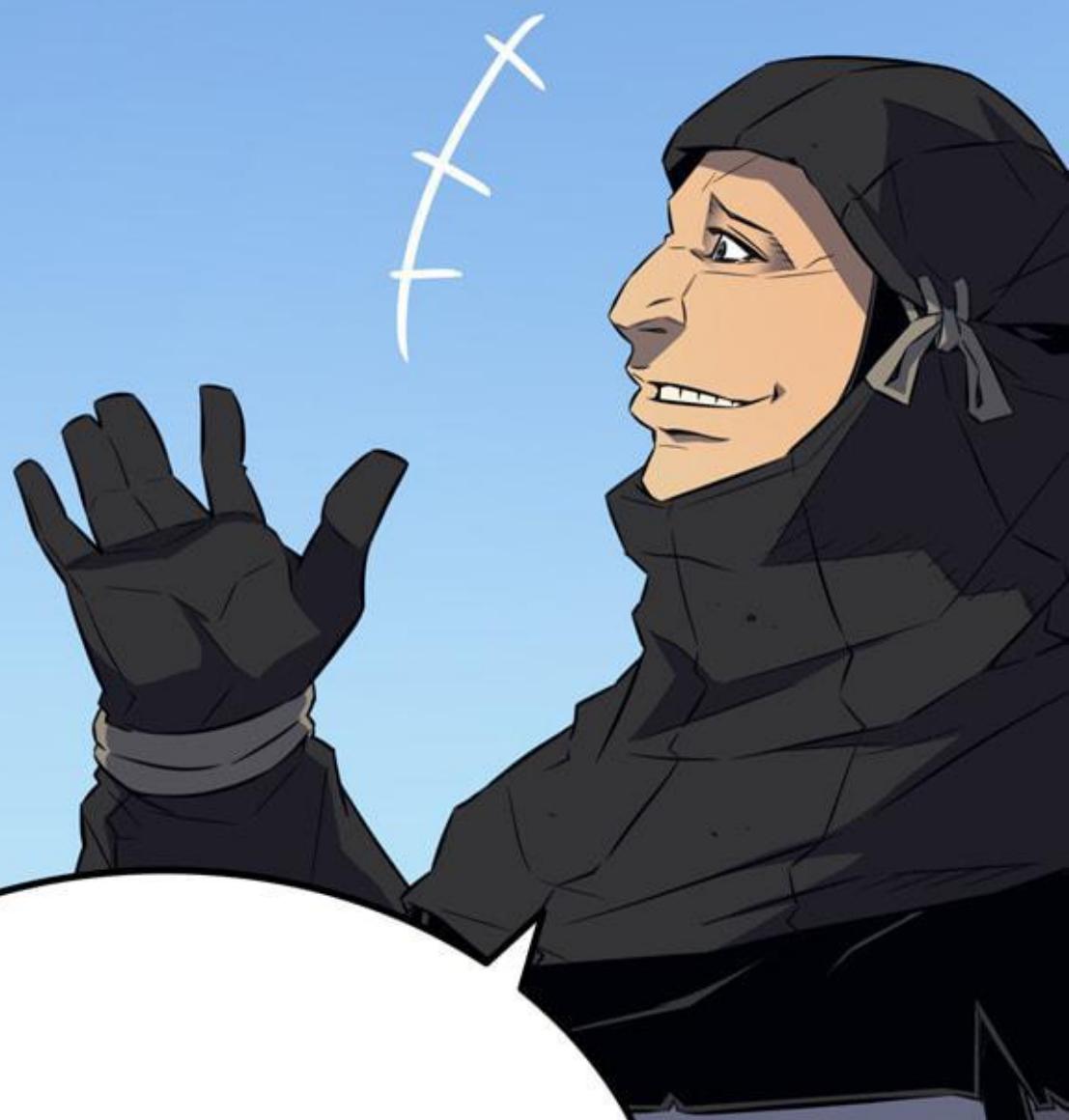
WE WERE
LOOKIN' ALL OVER
FOR YOU!

A female character with short, wavy green hair and green eyes. She is wearing a red zip-up hoodie over a black top. A small, blue and yellow triangular emblem is visible on the left side of her chest. She is looking slightly to the right with a neutral expression.

ROUNDER ANTOINE...

WE SEEM
TO RUN INTO
EACH OTHER
MORE OFTEN
AS OF LATE.

YOU SOUND
QUITE UPSET TO
SEE ME!



WE'RE MERELY
HERE TO RELIEVE YOU
OF SOME UNNECESSARY
RELICS AS AN ACT OF
GOODWILL!

BWAHAHA!



WELL, I'D LOVE
TO CHAT OVER A CUP
OF TEA, BUT WE'RE
A BUSY LOT.

LET'S MEET AGAIN
SOME OTHER TIME,
TROWMAN RINGS!

BWAHAHA!





I APOLOGIZE FOR
SUCH A SHAMEFUL
DISPLAY.

DESPITE HAVING
INVITED YOU HERE TO
RECRUIT YOU, WE ENDED
UP EMBARRASSING
OURSELVES...



WHAT ARE THESE
ARTIFACT WARS YOU
MENTIONED EARLIER?

WELL...



IT'S JUST AS YOU
HEARD. A FRIENDLY
COMPETITION BETWEEN
MAGES OF THE CIRCLES
WITH MAGIC ARTIFACTS
ON THE LINE.



SO YOU PLAY
GAMES WITH MAGIC
ARTIFACTS AS THE
PRIZE?

HAHA...

YOU'RE
PROBABLY
THINKING IT'S
CRAZY BETTING
SUCH PRIZED
RELICS FOR
SPORT...

BELIEVE IT
OR NOT, IT WAS A
DESPERATE MEASURE
PUT IN PLACE TO REDUCE
FRICTION BETWEEN CIRCLES
AND PROMOTE FRIENDLY
COOPERATION.



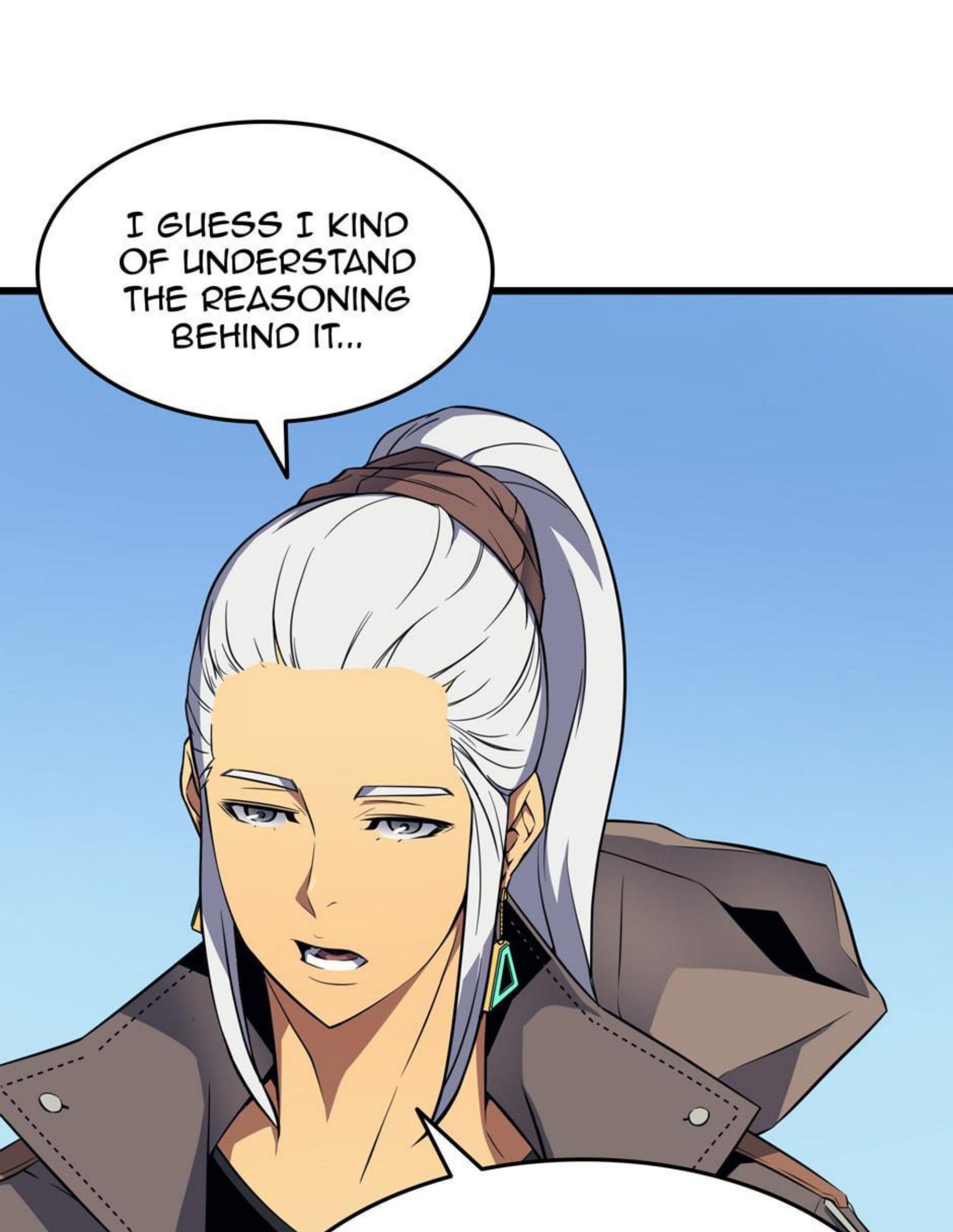
THAT WAS
THE ORIGINAL
INTENTIONS BUT IT'S
ALL GONE SOUTH
NOW...

COULDN'T
YOU JUST
REFUSE THEIR
CHALLENGE?



IT'S NOT AS EASY TO
REFUSE THEM DUE TO THE
PRETENSE OF IT BEING A
FRIENDLY COMPETITION
BETWEEN CIRCLES...

YOU SEE, IT
BECOMES HARDER
ON US OVERALL SHOULD
THEY BRAND US AS AN
UNFRIENDLY AND
UNCOOPERATIVE
CIRCLE.



I GUESS I KIND
OF UNDERSTAND
THE REASONING
BEHIND IT...

SO BASICALLY, THE
BASILISKS TAILS ARE
LIKE A GROUP OF HYENAS
THAT ARE PREYING ON THE
TROWMAN RINGS WHEN
THEY'RE AT THEIR
WEAKEST.

IT'S NOT JUST
THEM EITHER.

THE CIRCLES
AROUND OUR TERRITORY
HAVE CREATED A FORMAL
ALLIANCE OF SORTS
AGAINST US.

WHENEVER
MASTER VENIAN OR THE
OTHER EXECUTIVES ARE AWAY,
THEY WOULD HAPPILY TAKE
TURNS TO RAID US.

YOU PROBABLY
UNDERSTAND WHAT
KIND OF SITUATION
WE'RE IN AT THE
MOMENT, RIGHT?





IN ACTUAL FACT,
IT'S A LOT WORSE
THAN THE RUMORS...

WE'RE ONLY A
TENTH THE SIZE OF OUR
GLORY DAYS AND THE FEW
REMAINING ELITES WE HAVE
WITH US ARE ALL AWAY ON A
PILGRIMAGE TO FURTHER TRAIN
THEMSELVES TO BECOME
STRONGER.



WE'RE DOING ALL
WE CAN TO PREVENT
OUR CIRCLE FROM BEING
ABSORBED INTO OTHER
CIRCLES...

IT'S TRUE THAT WE
REALLY SEEM TO LACK
ANY PRIDE IN OURSELVES AS
MEMBERS OF THE TROWMAN
RINGS. ALL WE DO NOW IS
COMPLAIN AND GEMIND

COMPLAIN AND REMIND
OURSELVES OF OUR
GLORY DAYS.

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BUT MASTER VENIAN
STRICTLY INSTRUCTED ME
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH
WITHOUT SUGAR-COATING
ANYTHING AT ALL.

AH,

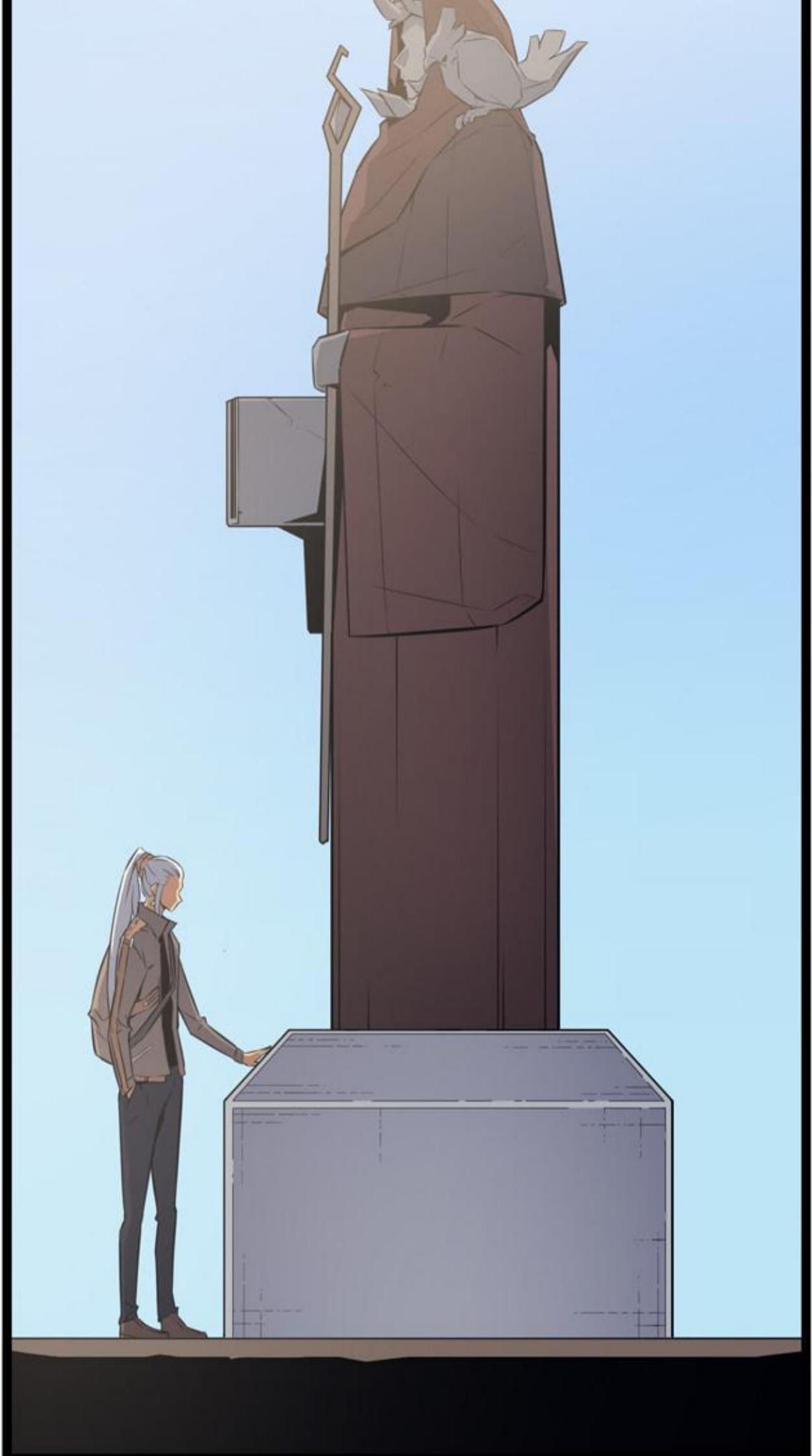
FREI, LOOK...



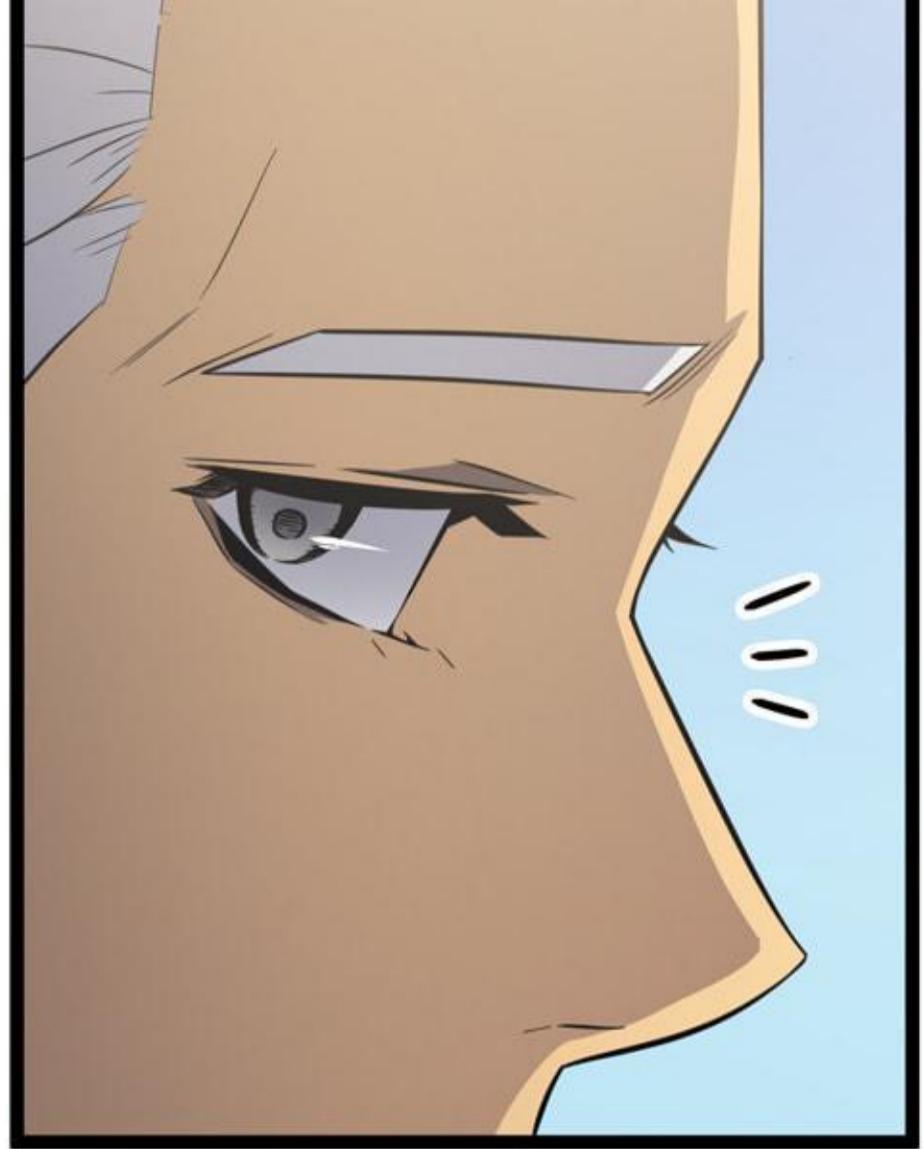








DO YOU ADMIRE
LORD LUCAS?



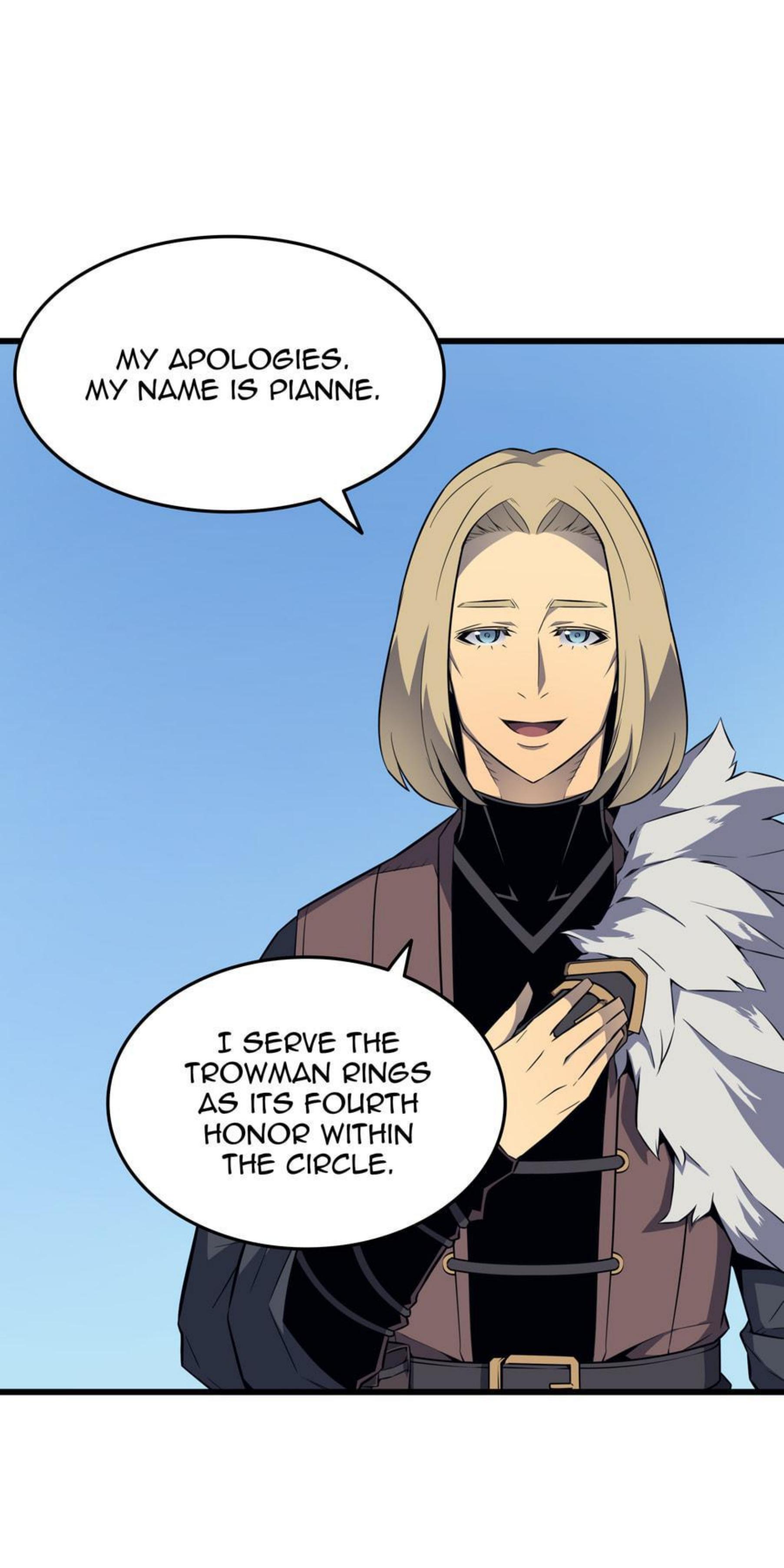




NO...

NOT IN
PARTICULAR.

AH...
HAHA, WHAT
A SHAME.



MY APOLOGIES.
MY NAME IS PIANNE.

I SERVE THE
TROWMAN RINGS
AS ITS FOURTH
HONOR WITHIN
THE CIRCLE.

I'M FREI BLAKE.

I'M ISABEL
TRIEZENEIN.

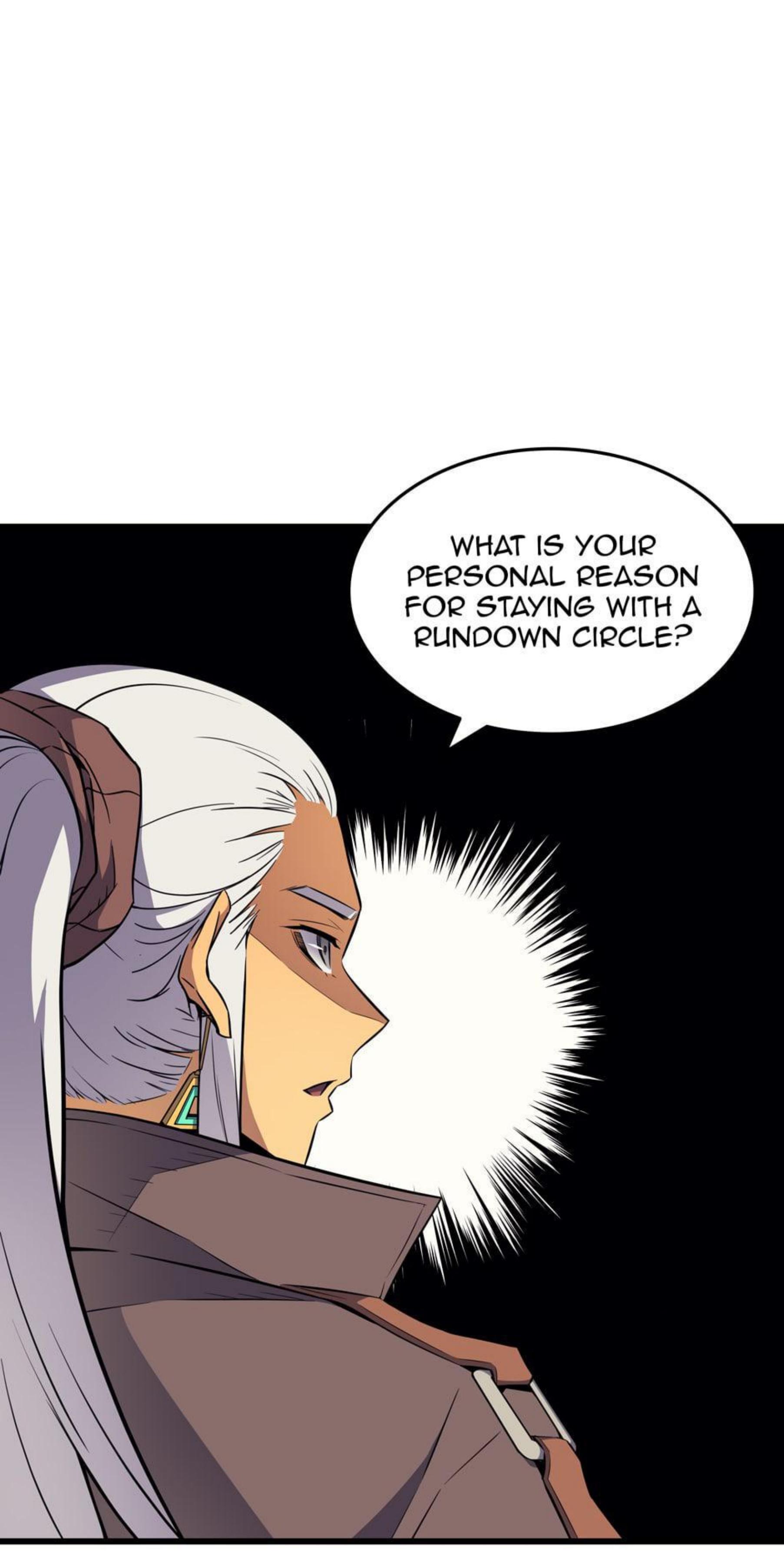
I'VE HEARD
MUCH OF YOUR
EXPLOITS.



HONOR PIANNE...
IF IT'S OKAY WITH
YOU, CAN I ASK YOU
A QUESTION?

CERTAINLY,
ASK AWAY.





WHAT IS YOUR
PERSONAL REASON
FOR STAYING WITH A
RUNDOWN CIRCLE?

HUH...?

IT'S NOT
JUST YOU.

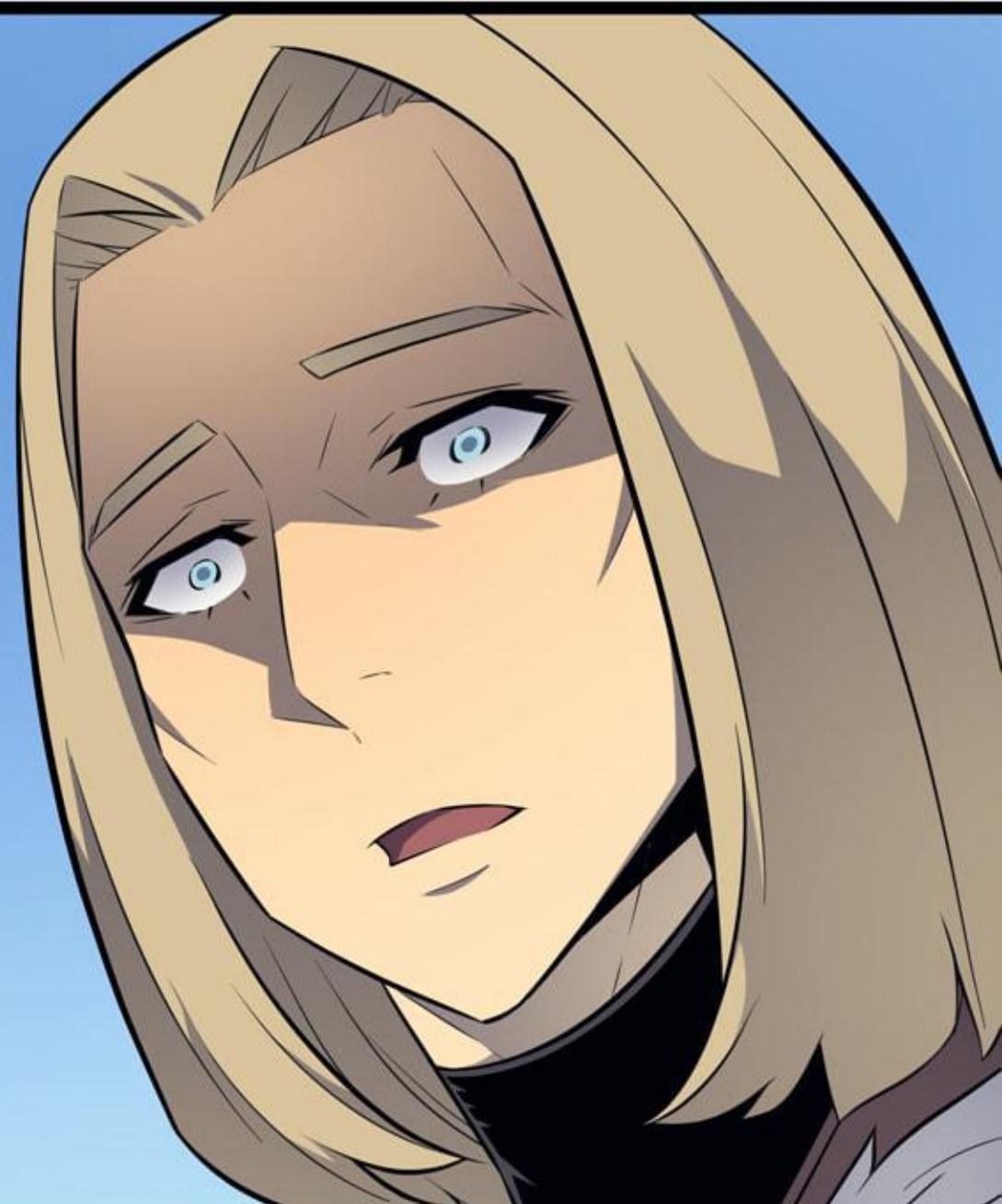
HONOR
JIZZELAN.

MASTER VENIAN...



WITH YOUR
SKILLS, YOU WOULD
BE WELCOMED INTO
ANY CIRCLES OUT
THERE.

WHY DO YOU
REMAIN ON THIS
SINKING SHIP, BAILING
WATER ONLY TO DELAY
THE INEVITABLE?

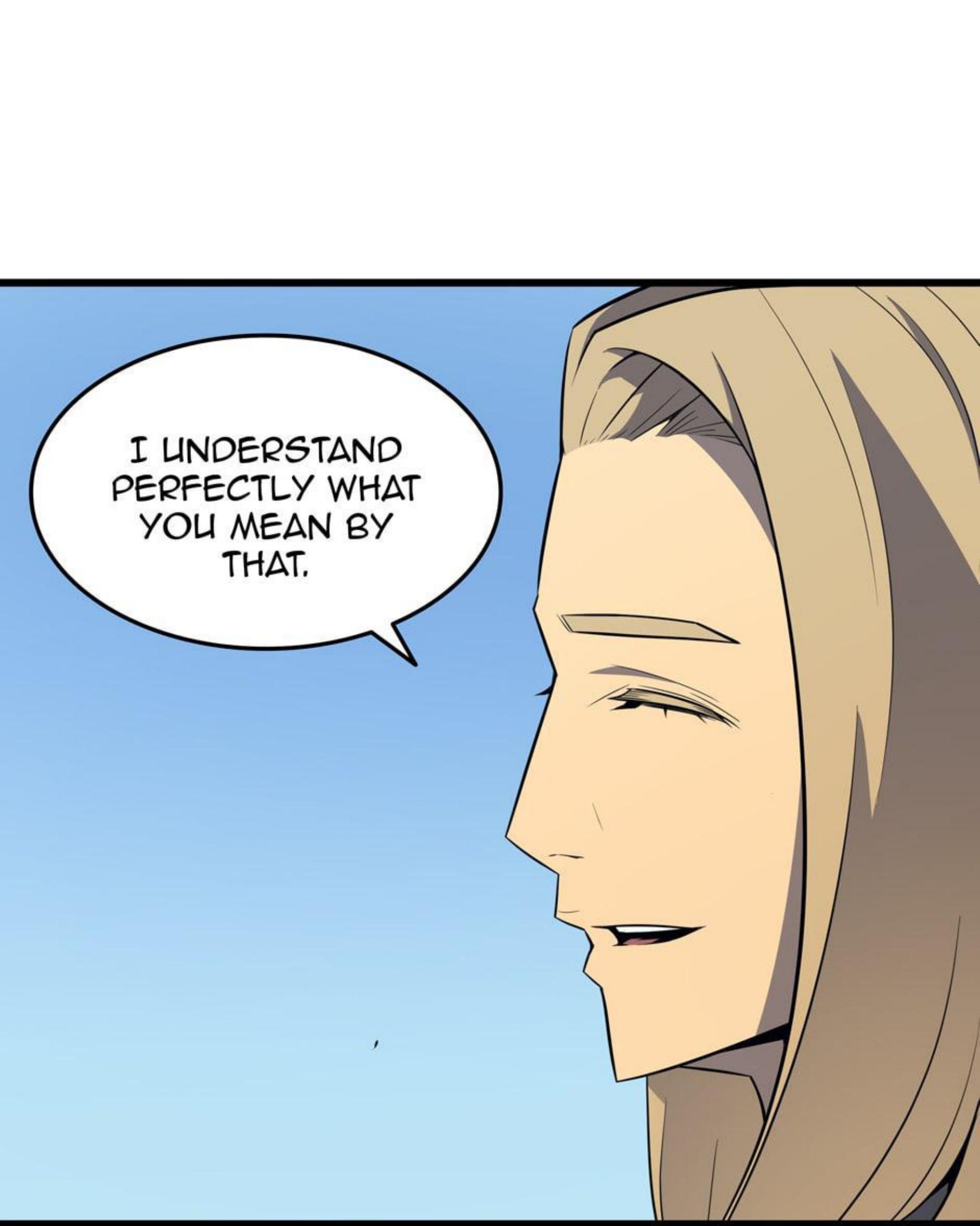




FREI...!

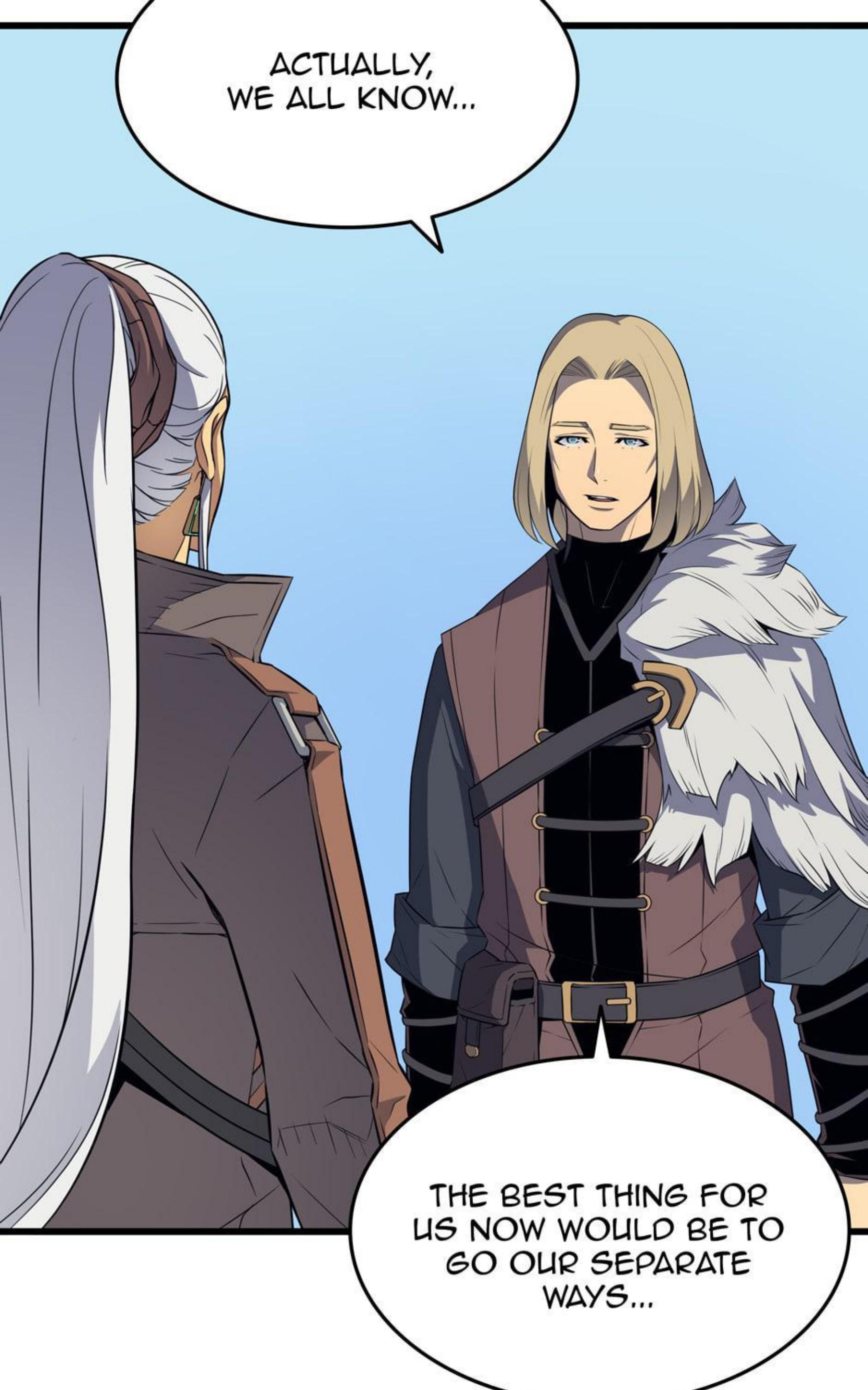
HAVE I NOT TOLD
YOU TO PICK YOUR
WORDS MORE
CAREFULLY...?

HAHAHA!
WHAT A PERFECT
ANALOGY! BY ALL
MEANS, YOU'RE
RIGHT.



I UNDERSTAND
PERFECTLY WHAT
YOU MEAN BY
THAT.





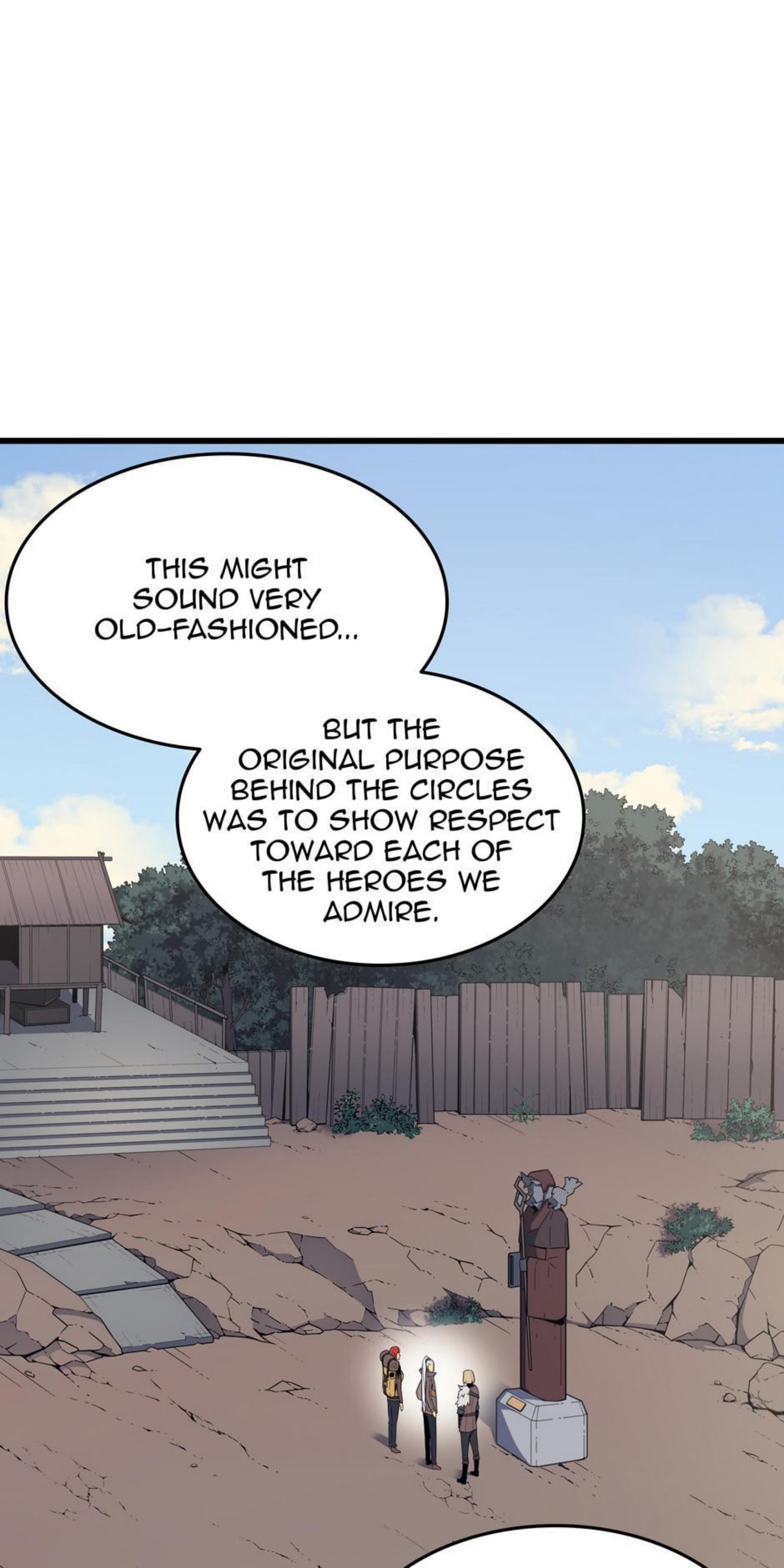
ACTUALLY,
WE ALL KNOW...

THE BEST THING FOR
US NOW WOULD BE TO
GO OUR SEPARATE
WAYS...



BUT WE CAN'T
BEAR TO DO THAT.

BECAUSE THAT
WOULD MEAN THE
TROWMAN RINGS WILL
BE NO MORE.

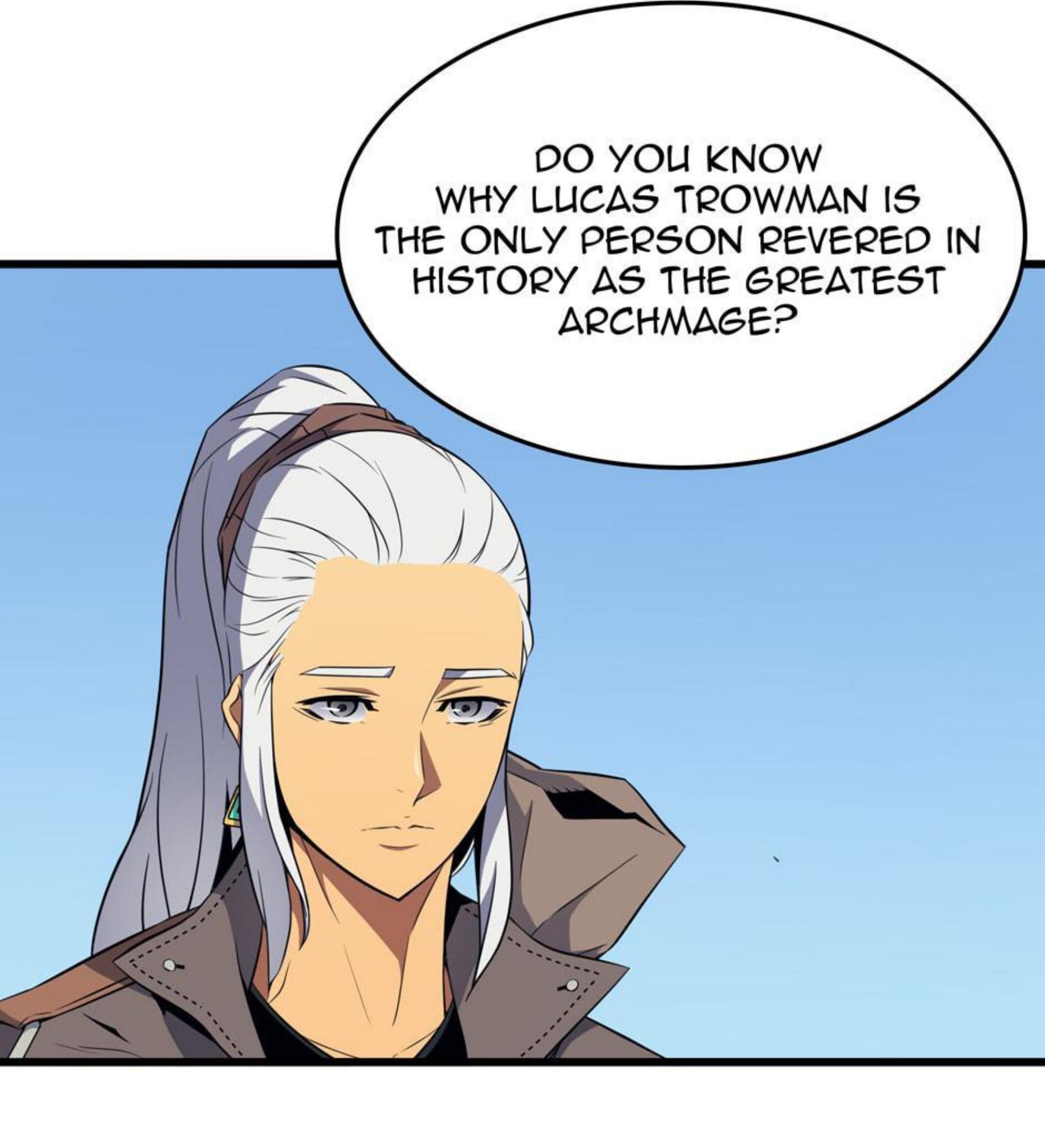


THIS MIGHT
SOUND VERY
OLD-FASHIONED...

BUT THE
ORIGINAL PURPOSE
BEHIND THE CIRCLES
WAS TO SHOW RESPECT
TOWARD EACH OF
THE HEROES WE
ADMIRE.



I, FOR ONE,
DO NOT WANT TO
RELINQUISH THAT
FOUNDATION
AND BELIEF.

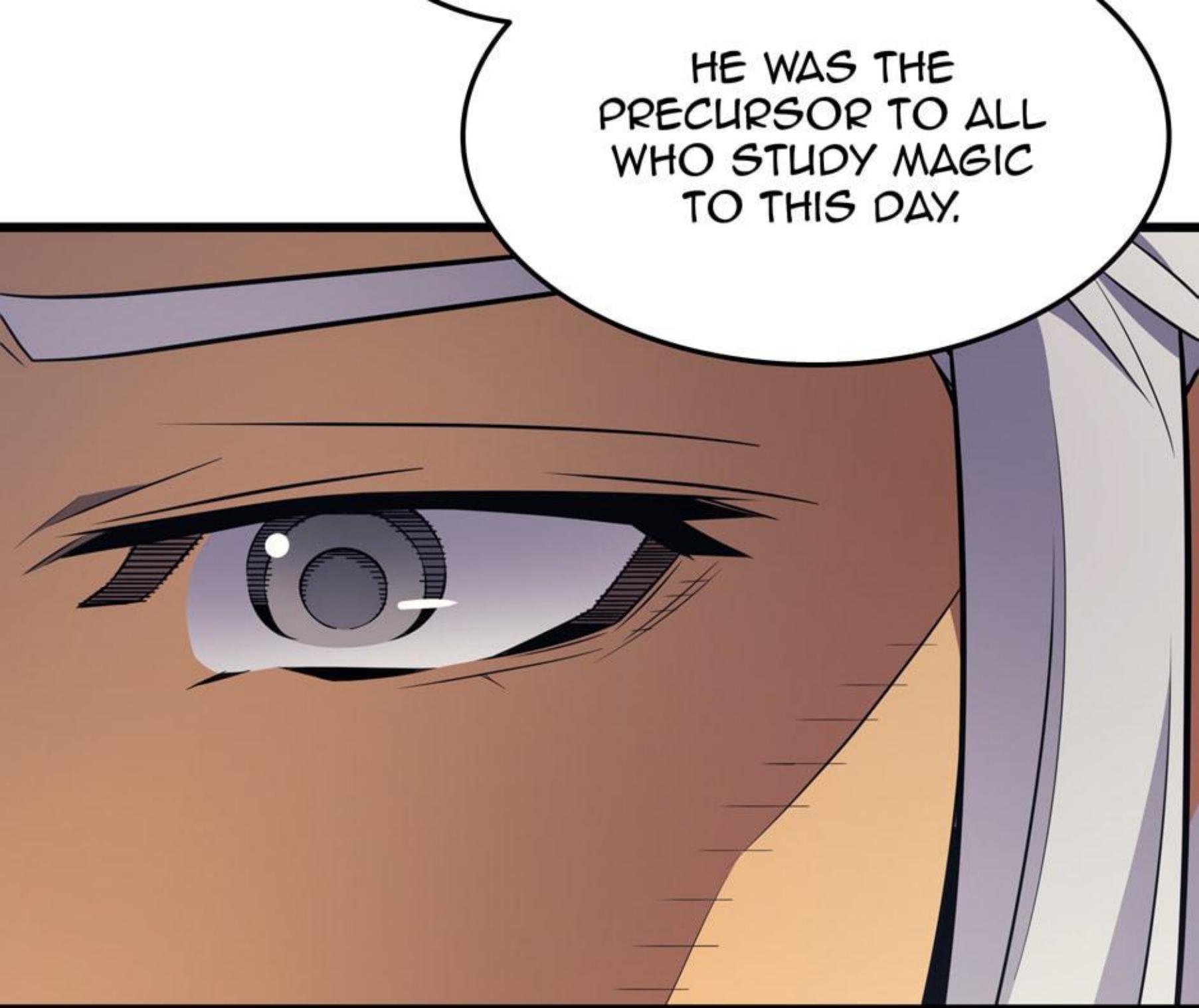


DO YOU KNOW
WHY LUCAS TROWMAN IS
THE ONLY PERSON REVERED IN
HISTORY AS THE GREATEST
ARCHMAGE?



OH GEEZ...
YOU'RE REALLY
FLATTERING ME...

BECAUSE
LUCAS
TROWMAN...

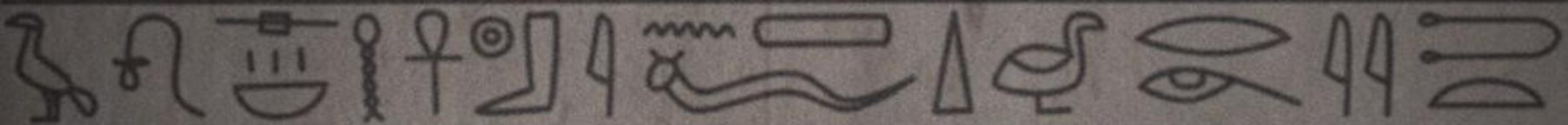


HE WAS THE
PRECURSOR TO ALL
WHO STUDY MAGIC
TO THIS DAY.

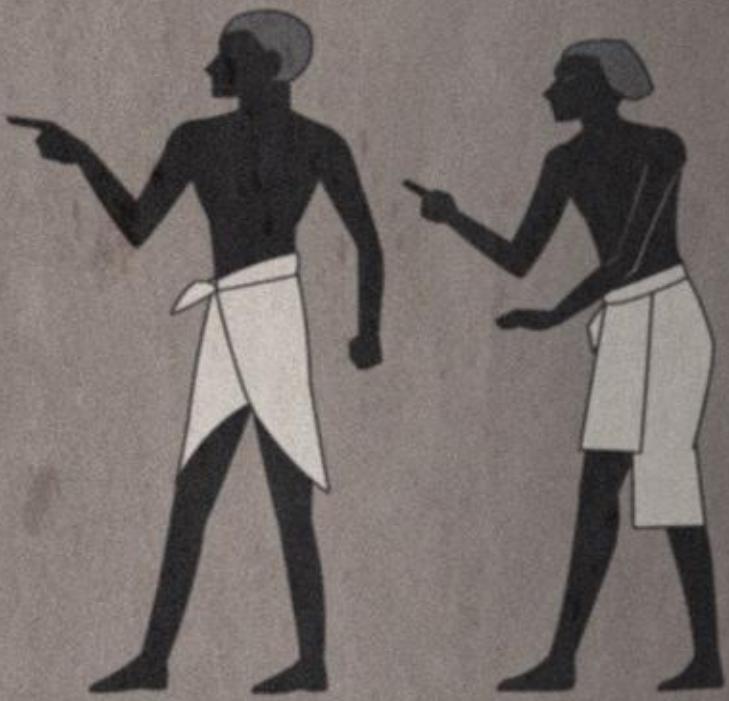
4,000 YEARS AGO...



**MAGES AND WARRIOR HELD
EACH OTHER IN CONTEMPT AND
THEY WOULD OFTEN FIGHT EACH
OTHER TO THE DEATH.**

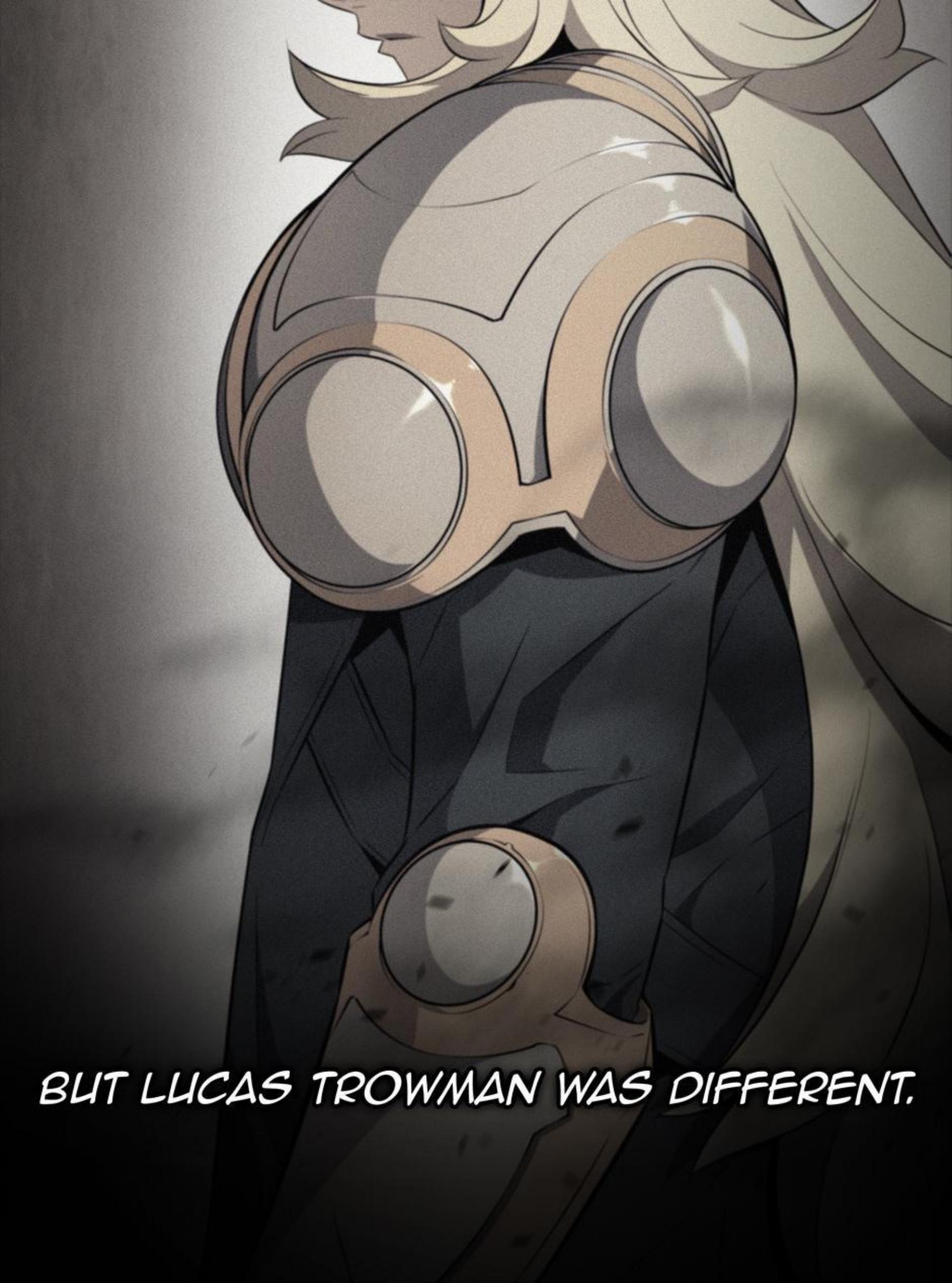


**YOU CAN GUESS WHAT
THEY DID TO THE WITCHES.**



**THEY BRANDDED EACH
OTHER AS HERETICS AND
NEVER CONSIDERED
THEMSELVES TRUE
COMRADES.**



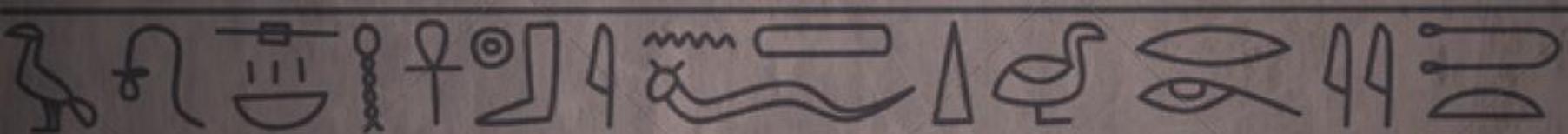


BUT LUCAS TROWMAN WAS DIFFERENT.

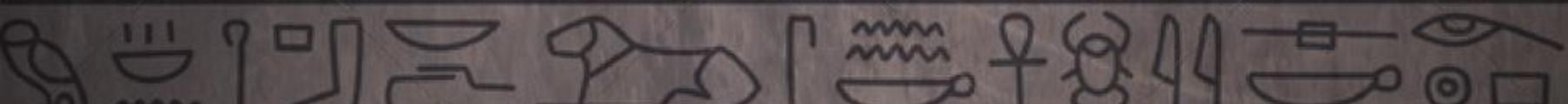
LUCAS TROWMAN WOULD SAY THAT...



**ANY WHO DESIRE TO STUDY MAGIC
ARE COMRADES AIMING TO ACHIEVE
THE SAME OBJECTIVE ON THE PATH TO
REACH THE PINNACLE OF MAGIC.**



**WARRIORS, MAGES, AND EVEN
WITCHES PERSECUTED HIM FOR
HIS BELIEFS, BUT HE NEVER
YIELDED TO THEIR VIEWS.**



**HE ENDURED AND UNITED
EVERYONE TO ACCEPT
ONE ANOTHER.**



WE, THE
TROWMAN RINGS,
BELIEVE...

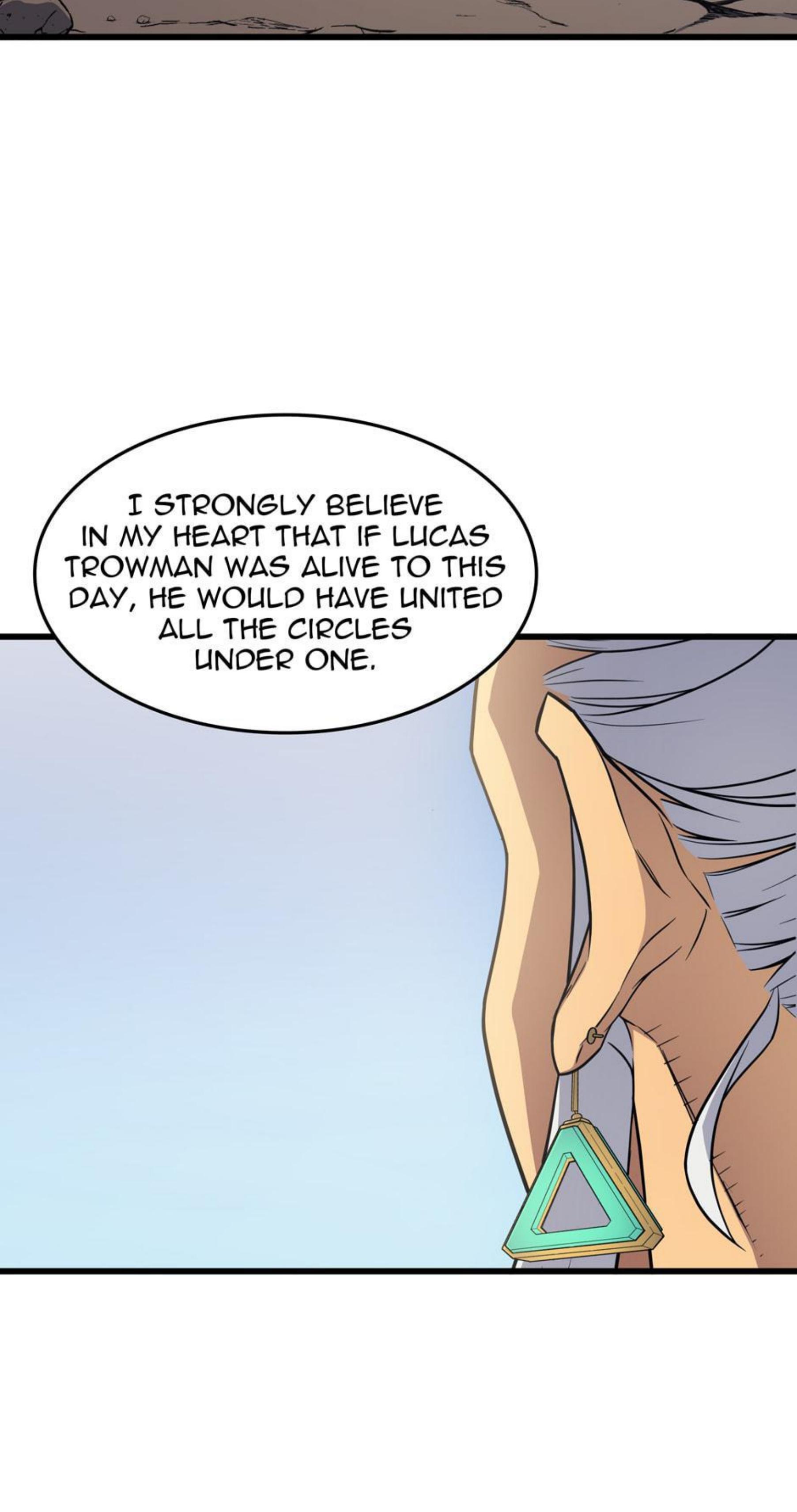
THAT IS THE
CALLING OF OUR
CIRCLE AND THE
REASON WHY WE
EXIST TODAY.



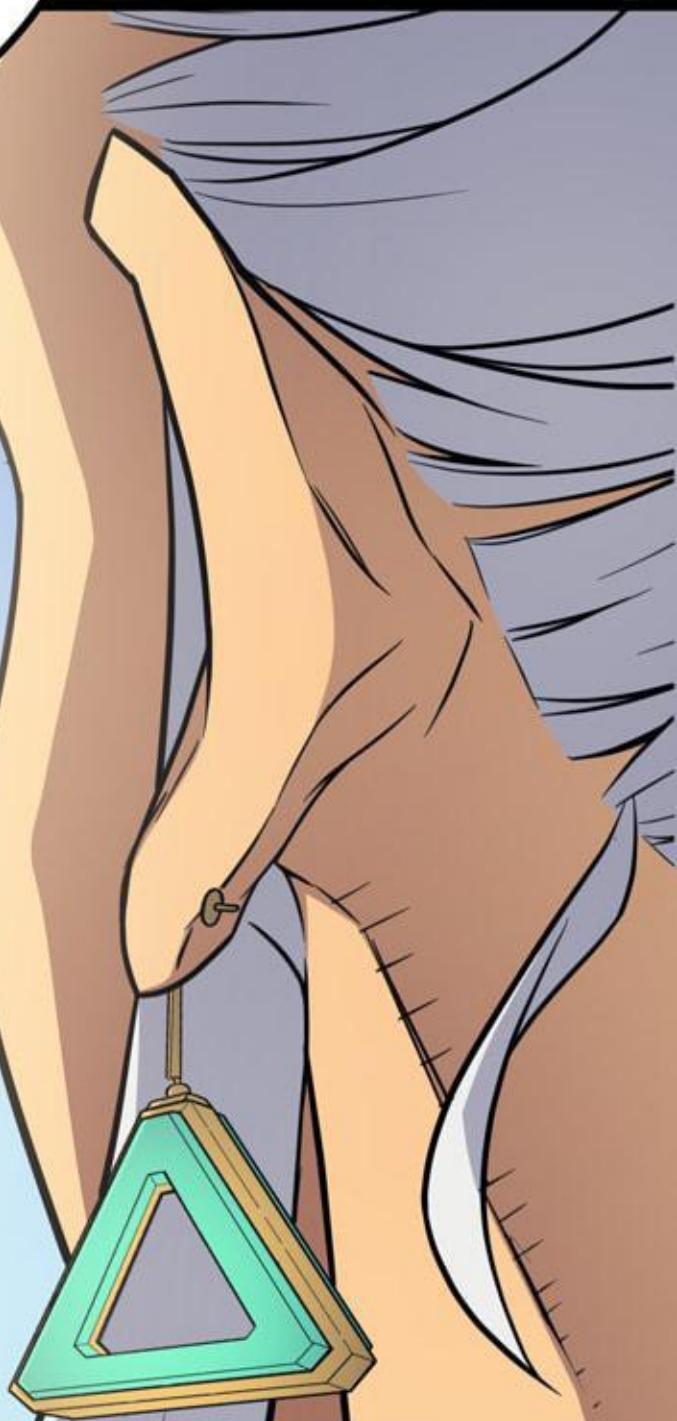
WE MAY HAVE
BECOME WEAK,
BUT WE WILL NEVER
GIVE UP.

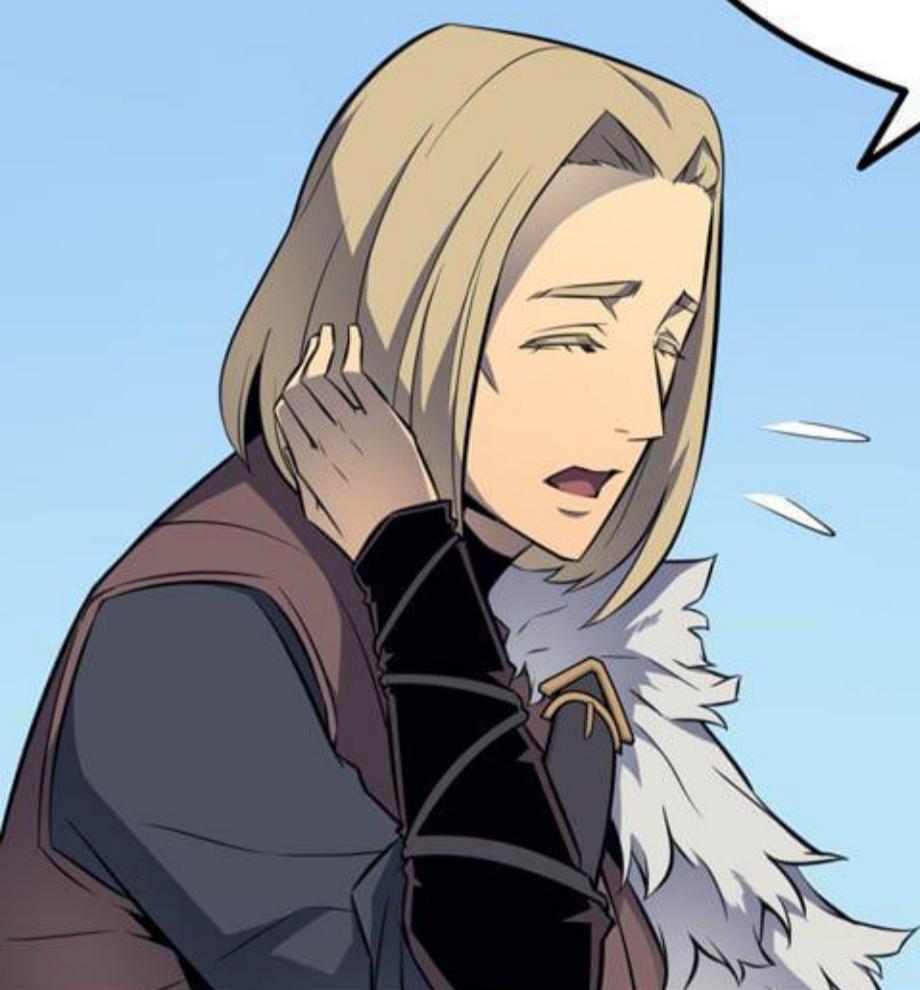


WE BELIEVE THAT
JUST AS LUCAS TROWMAN
BEFORE US UNITED THE WORLD
OF MAGIC, WE TOO WILL STAND
UNYIELDING AND ACHIEVE
THE SAME.



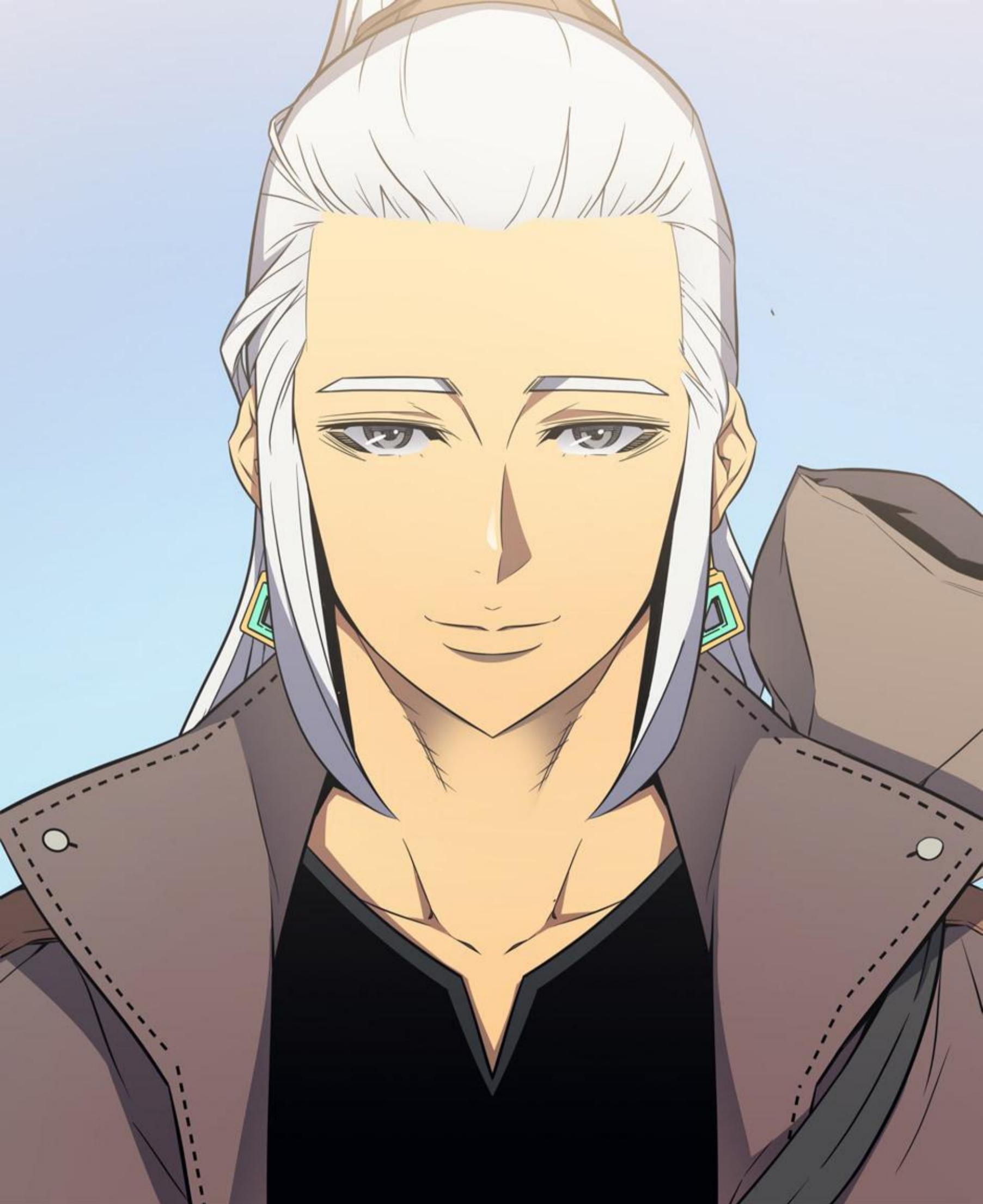
I STRONGLY BELIEVE
IN MY HEART THAT IF LUCAS
TROWMAN WAS ALIVE TO THIS
DAY, HE WOULD HAVE UNITED
ALL THE CIRCLES
UNDER ONE.

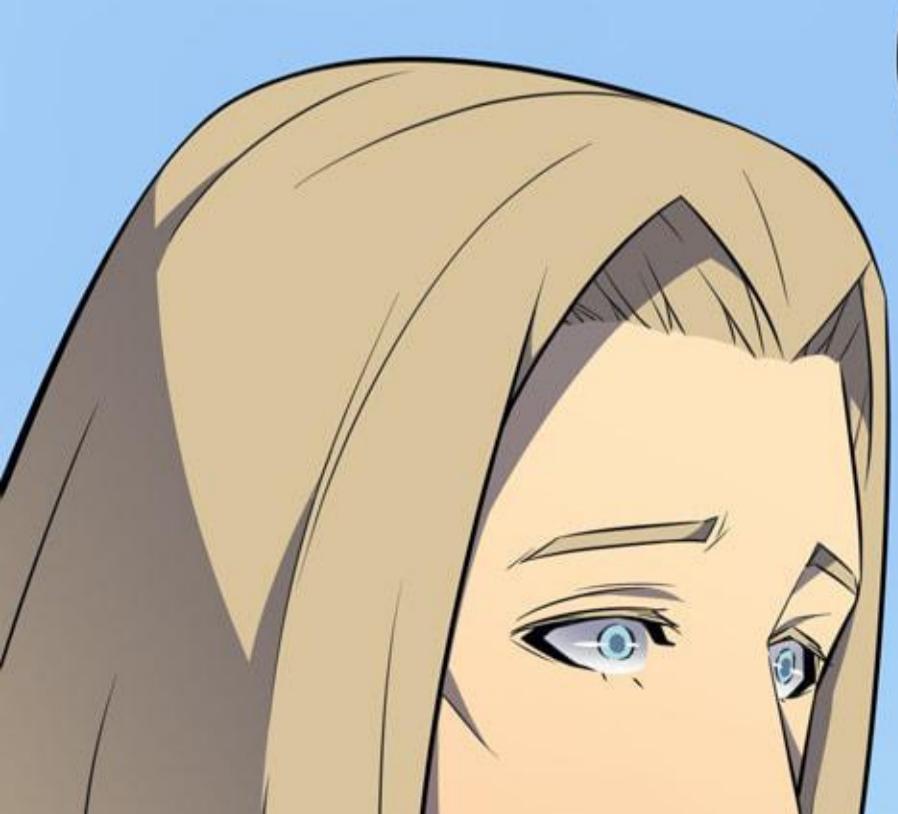




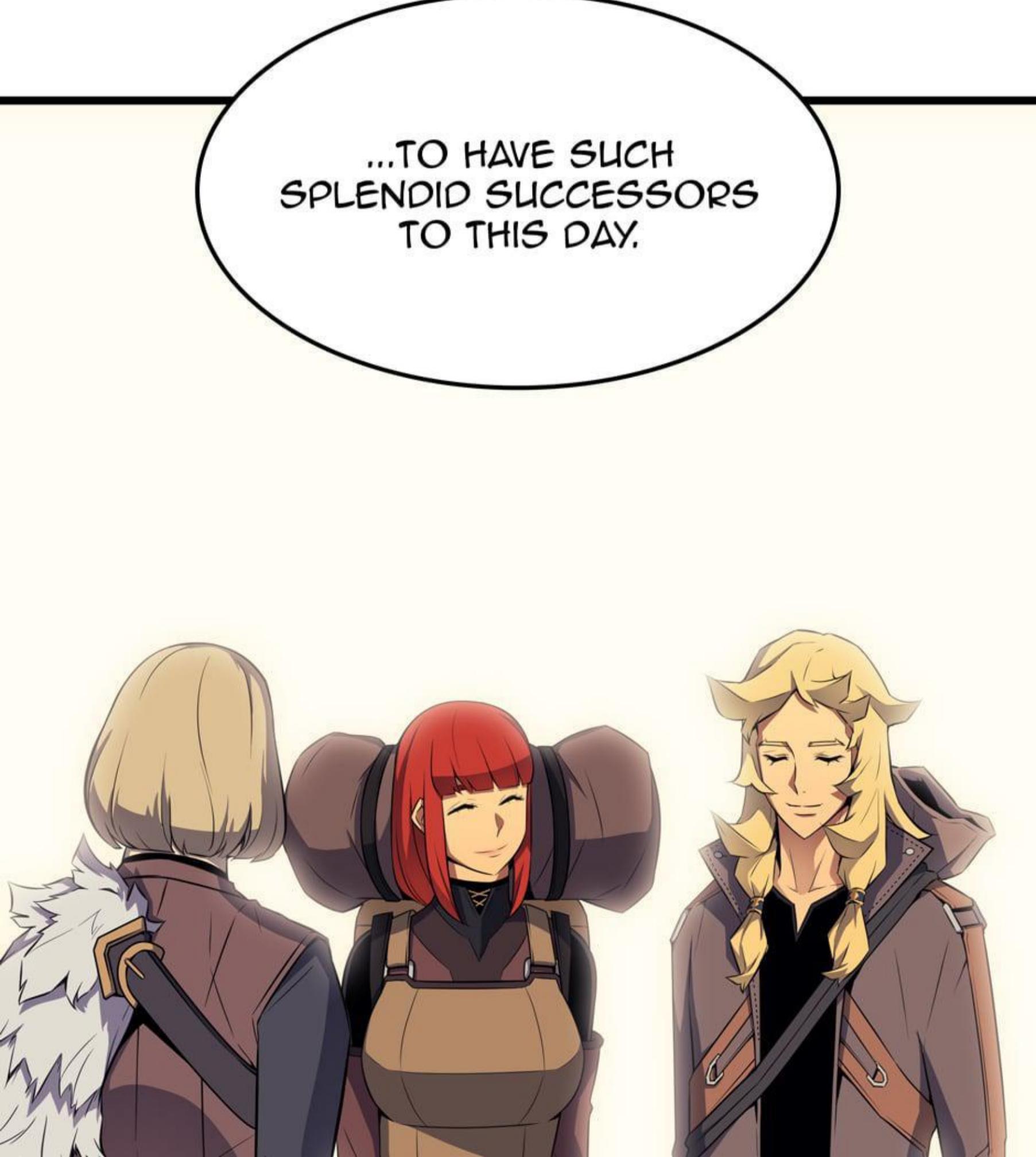
AH, MY APOLOGIES. IT
SEEMS I PRATTLED ON A
LITTLE UNNECESSARILY...

...?





LUCAS TROWMAN
MUST BE PROUD...



...TO HAVE SUCH
SPLENDID SUCCESSORS
TO THIS DAY.





WHAT...?
JUST NOW,
WAS I SEEING
THINGS...?

N-NO...
HE MAY FIND US
EMBARRASSING...





WHERE DO
YOU SUPPOSE
HE'S GOING?



I'M NOT
SURE...

HE ASKED ME
EARLIER WHERE HE CAN
FIND THE BASILISKS TAILS
AND THE OTHER CIRCLES
SURROUNDING US.





IT SEEMS HE'S
ALSO MORE INTERESTED
IN OTHER CIRCLES. OURS
HAS BECOME SHABBY
AND WEAK.

SIGH...



DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT TOO MUCH,
MASTER VENIAN. I'M SURE
WE'LL FIND SOMEONE
BETTER IN THE
FUTURE.



WHAT HE
ASKED ME AT THE
END STILL BOthers
ME, THOUGH...



**HE ASKED IF A
COMPLETE OUTSIDER
COULD ALSO PARTICIPATE
IN THE ARTIFACT
CHALLENGE.**

