

# PREACHER

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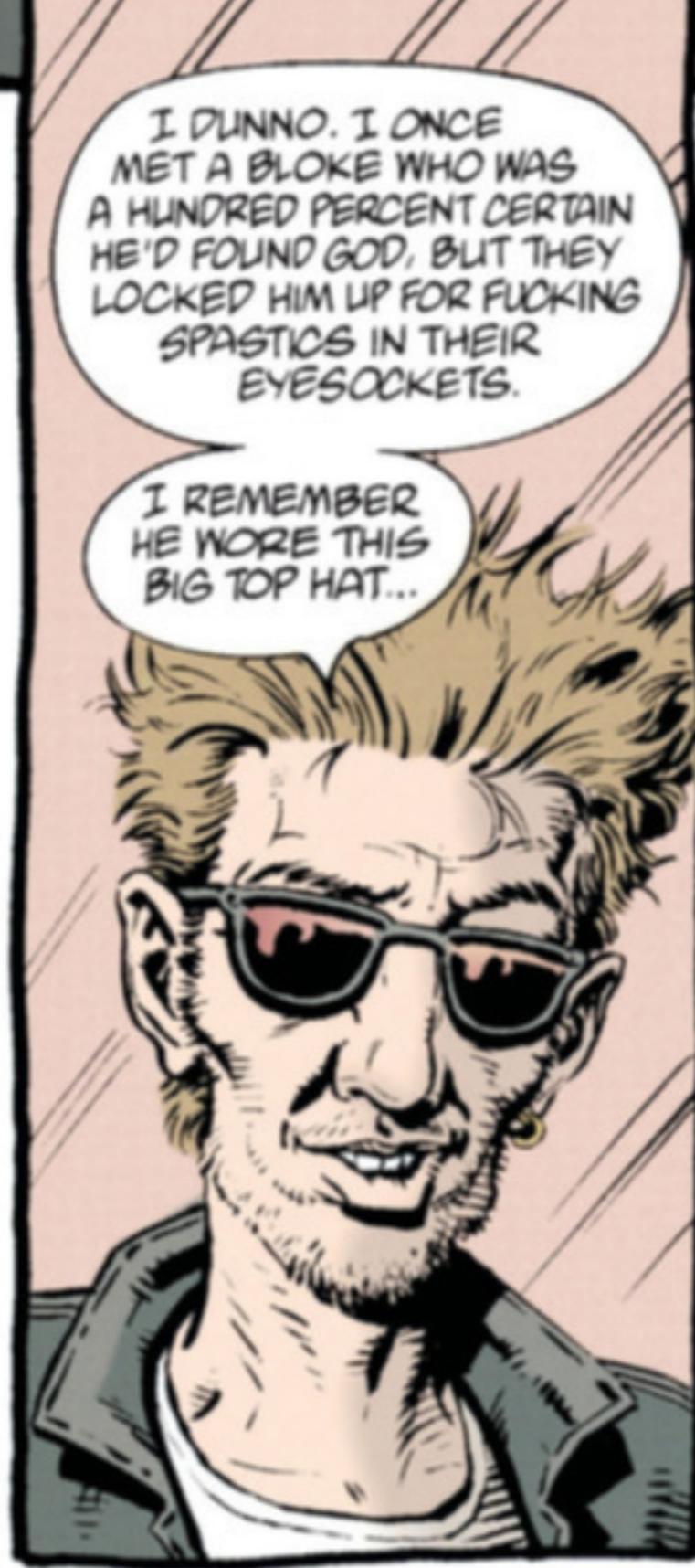
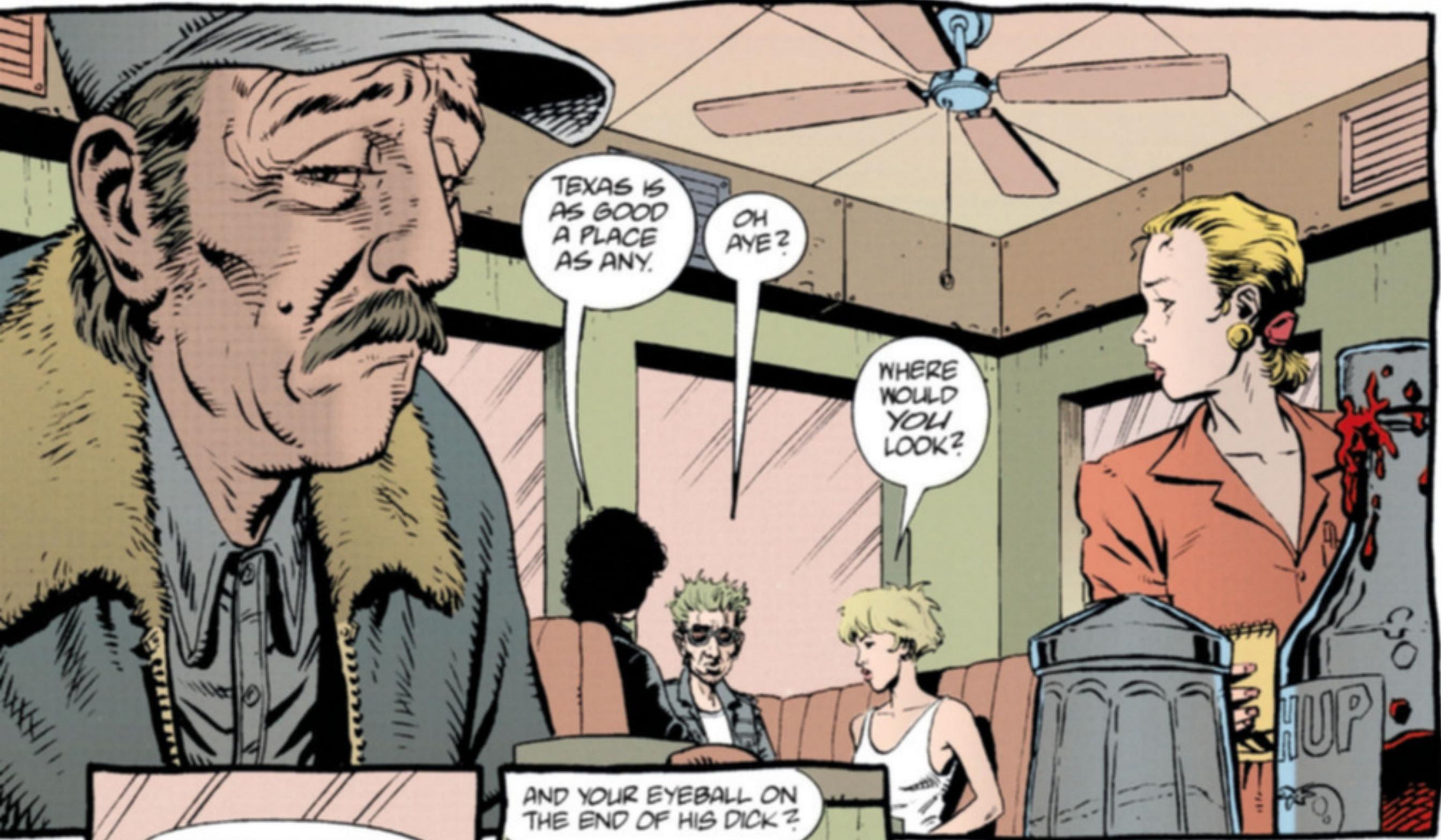
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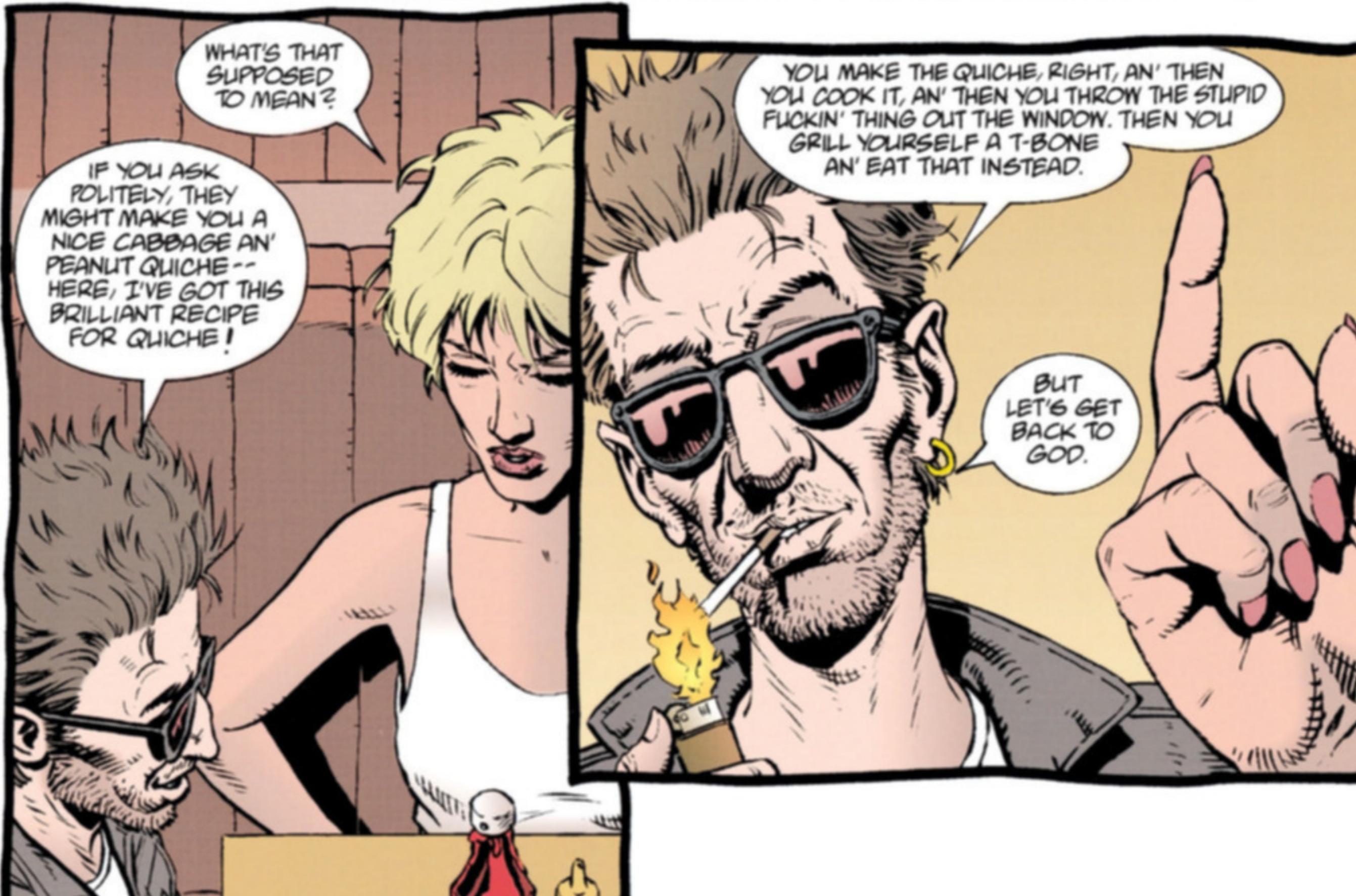
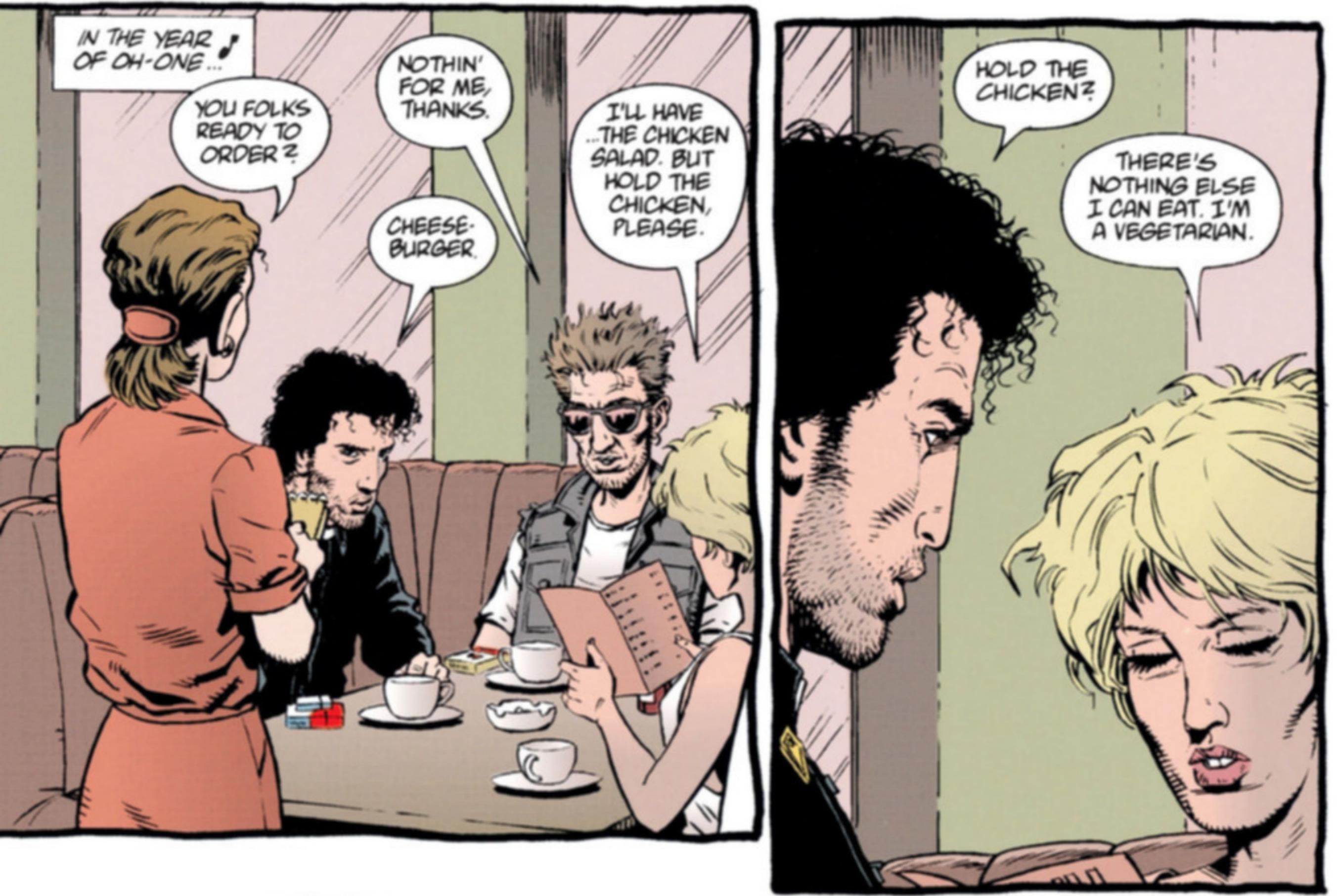


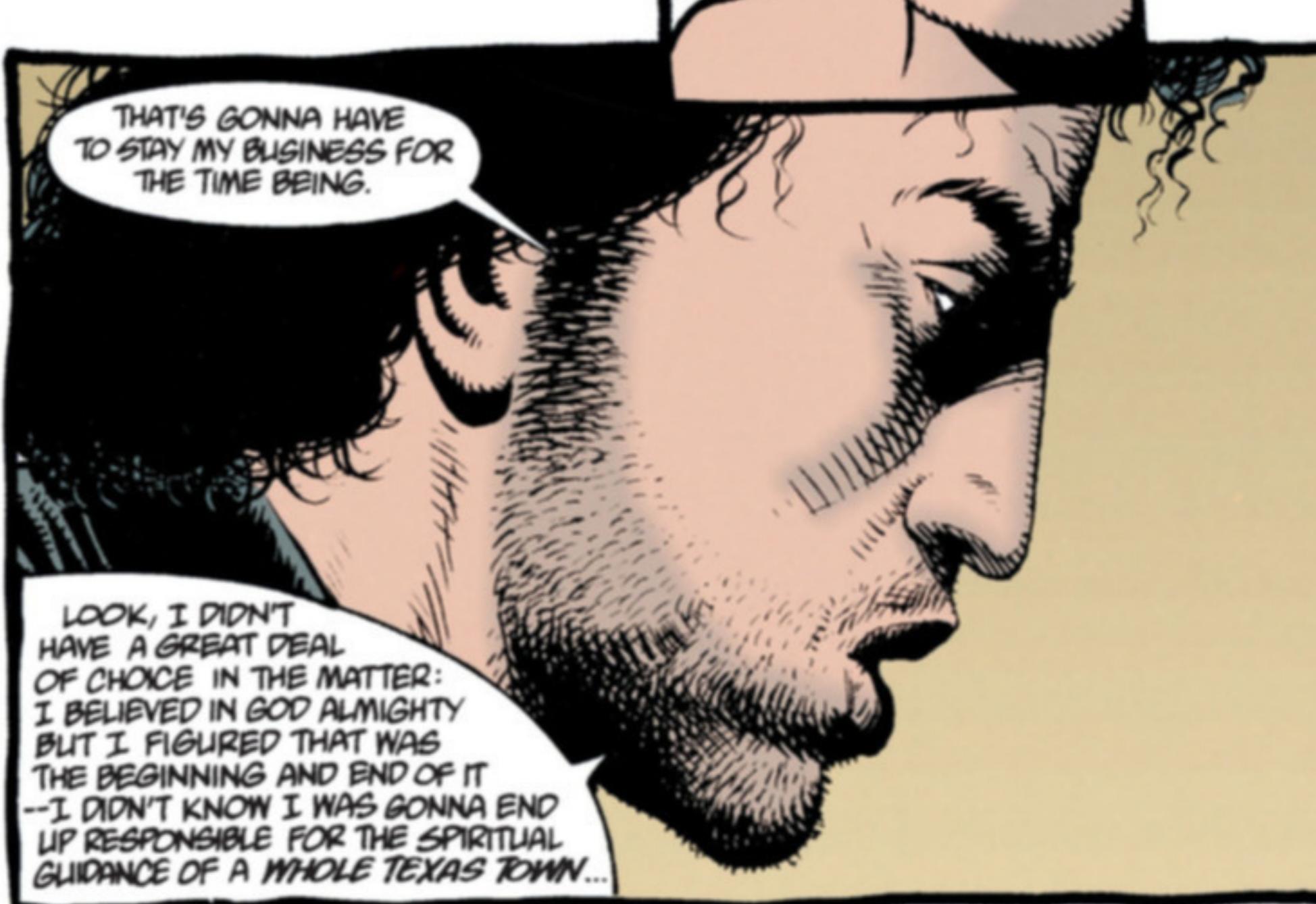
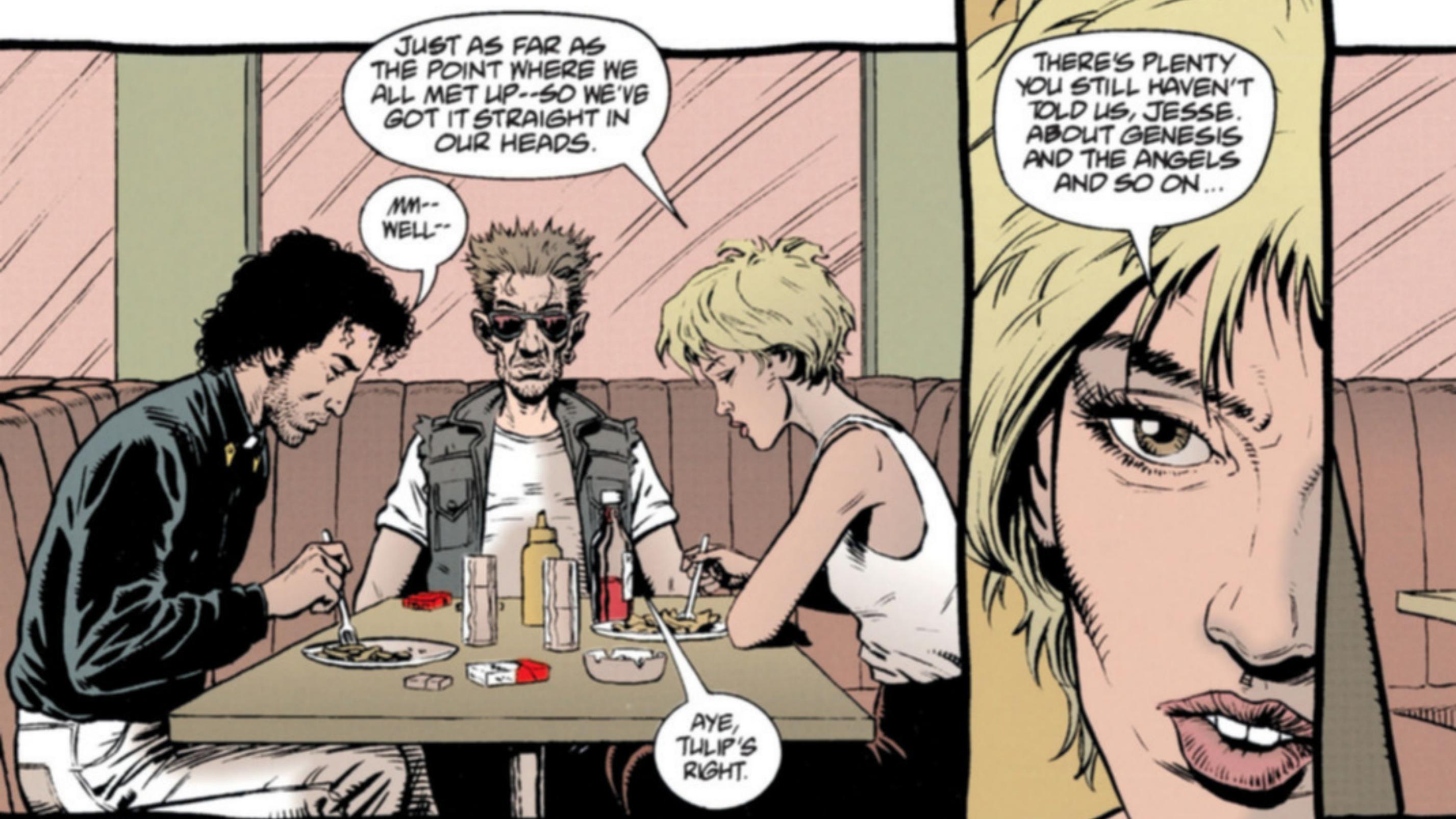
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THE TIME  
OF THE ♫  
PREACHER...

THIS WHERE  
YOU'RE  
GONNA START  
LOOKIN' FOR  
HIM, JESSE?

FIVE ACES DINER







...AND THE  
LESSON'S  
BEGIN.

# THE TIME OF THE PREACHER

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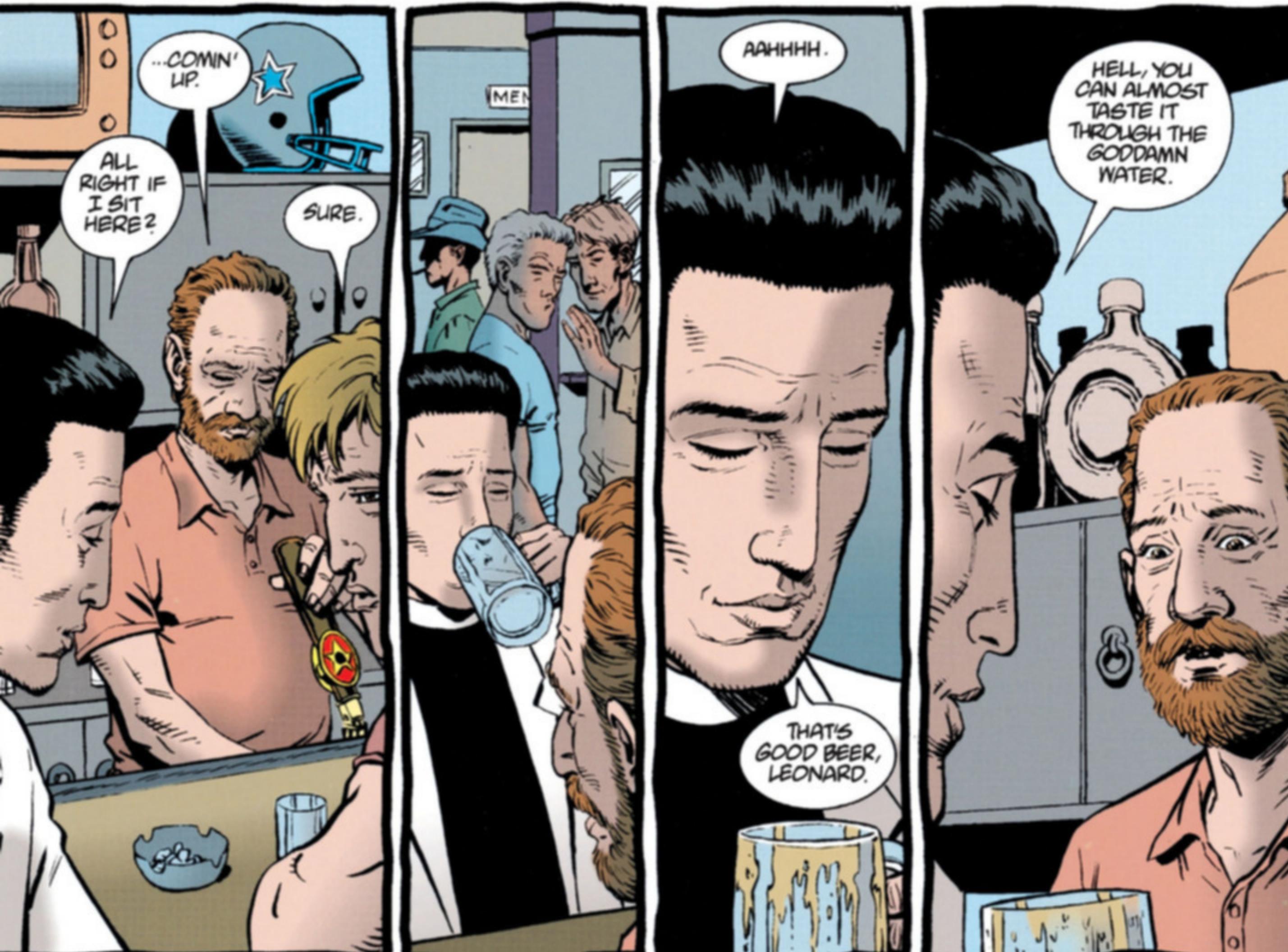
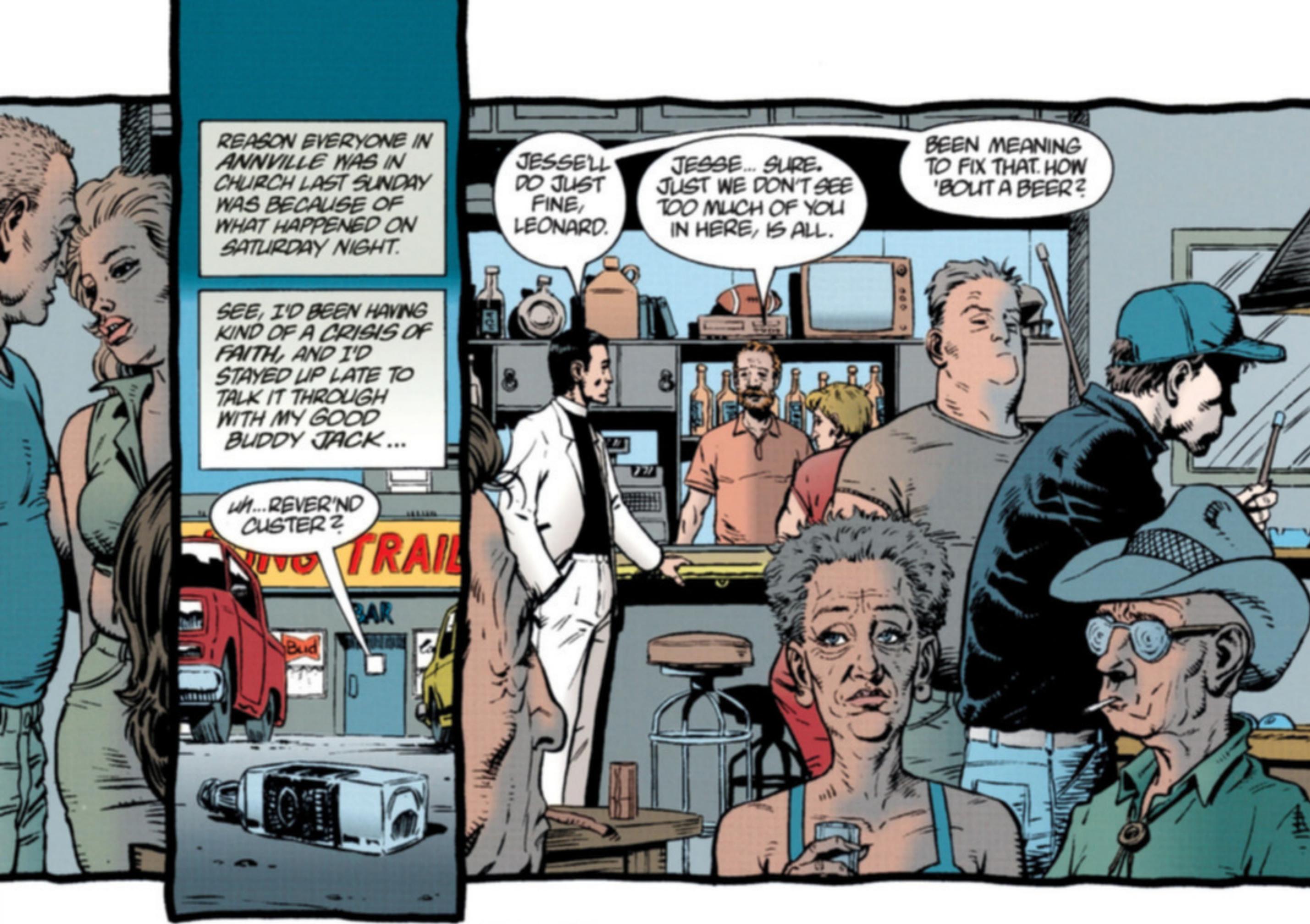
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LIKE THE MOVIE KATE SHOT IN YOUR BARN,  
HUUH? JUST HER AN' A PIEBALD STALLION--  
WENT STRAIGHT TO VIDEO, WAY I HEAR IT.

I'VE NEVER  
SEEN THIS  
WOMAN BEFORE  
IN MY LIFE--

UH--

BUT LEAVIN' ASIDE MICHAEL  
HERE--WHO'S GOTTA BE THE  
ONLY MAN FROM ANNVILLE  
THAT EVER WENT TO CALIFORNIA  
--LET'S MEET THE STARS  
OF THE SHOW...

REVER'ND, YOU'VE  
HAD A LITTLE TOO MUCH  
TO--REVER'ND--

PAT AN'  
TERRY  
MORROW.

NOW YOU BETTER JUST  
WATCH YOUR FUCKIN'  
MOLITH, CLUSTER...

WHO RAPED THAT  
HITCHER GIRL NO MATTER  
WHAT THEIR DADDY PAID  
JUDGE SHEBIN.

OR HOW MANY  
TIMES THIS TOWN  
CAN CHANGE THE  
GODDAMN SUBJECT.

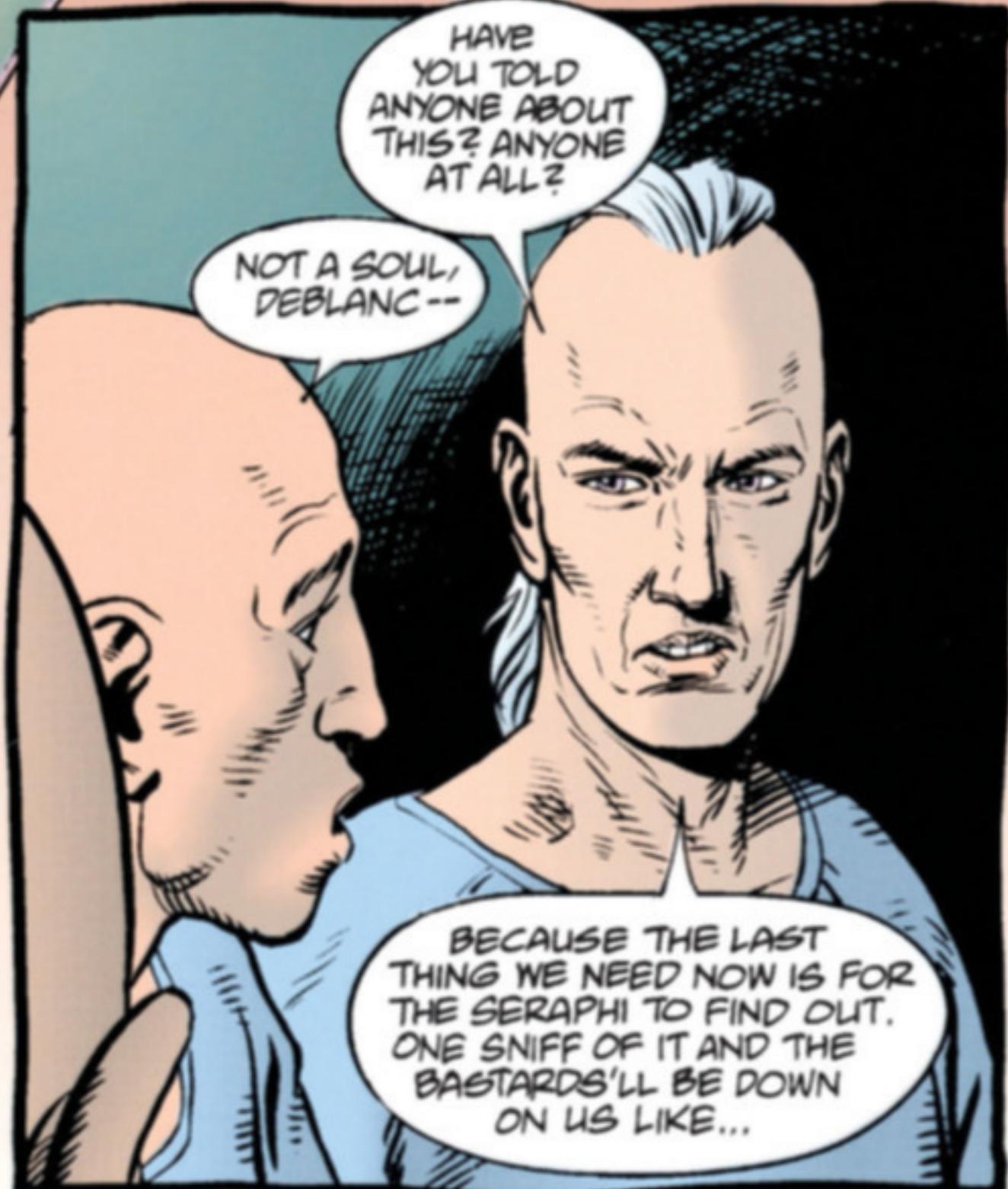
I SEE YOU EVERY  
SUNDAY, THE FEW OF  
YOU BOTHER TO SHOW  
UP, AN' YOU THINK YOU  
CAN SING A FEW GOD-  
DAMN HYMNS AN' THEN  
ACT LIKE SAVAGES FOR  
THE REST OF THE  
WEEK?

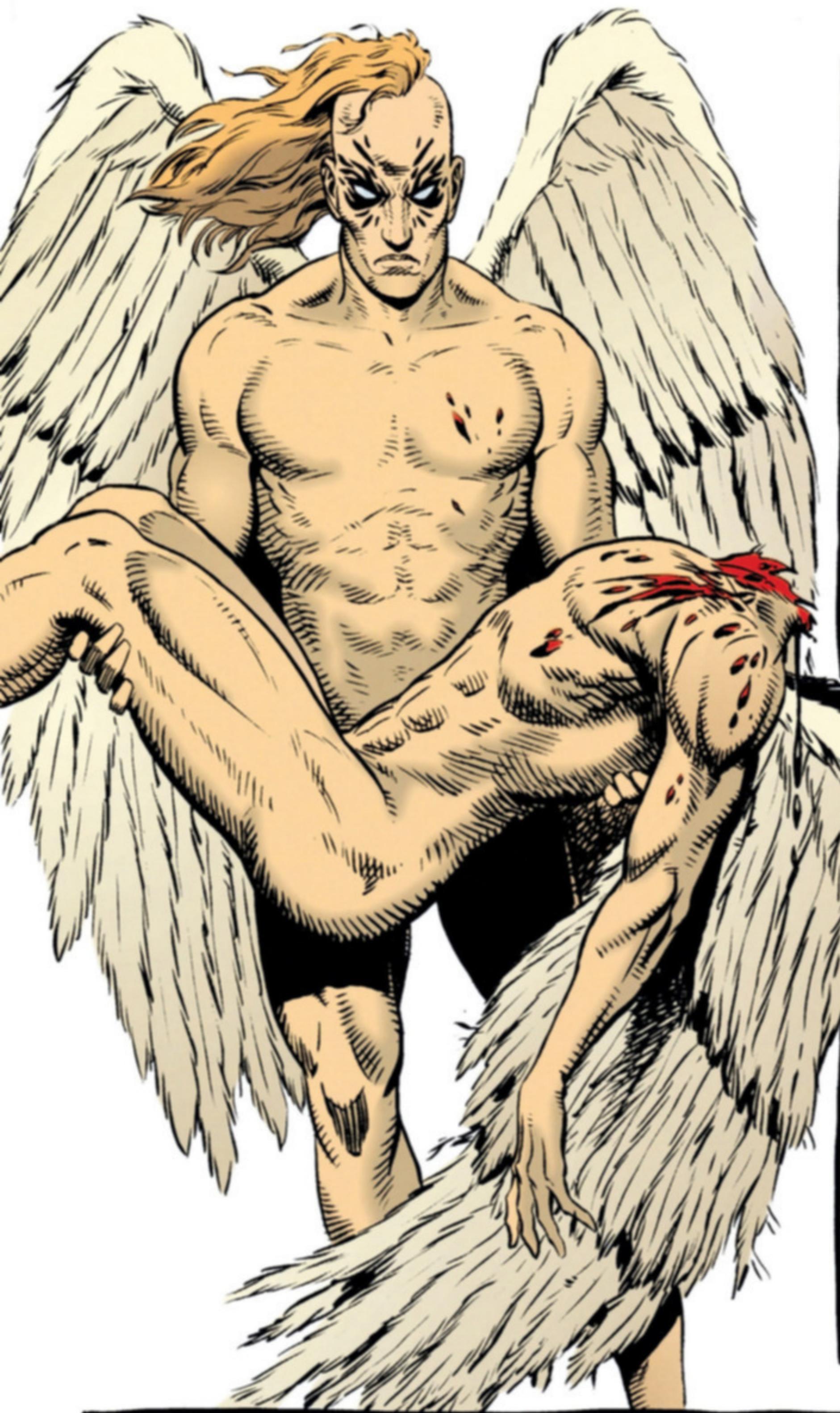
YOU'RE FUCKIN'  
DRIVIN' ME INSANE  
AN' I'M HERE TO TELL  
YOU, THAT AINT THE  
WAY IT WORKS--



HEAVEN:

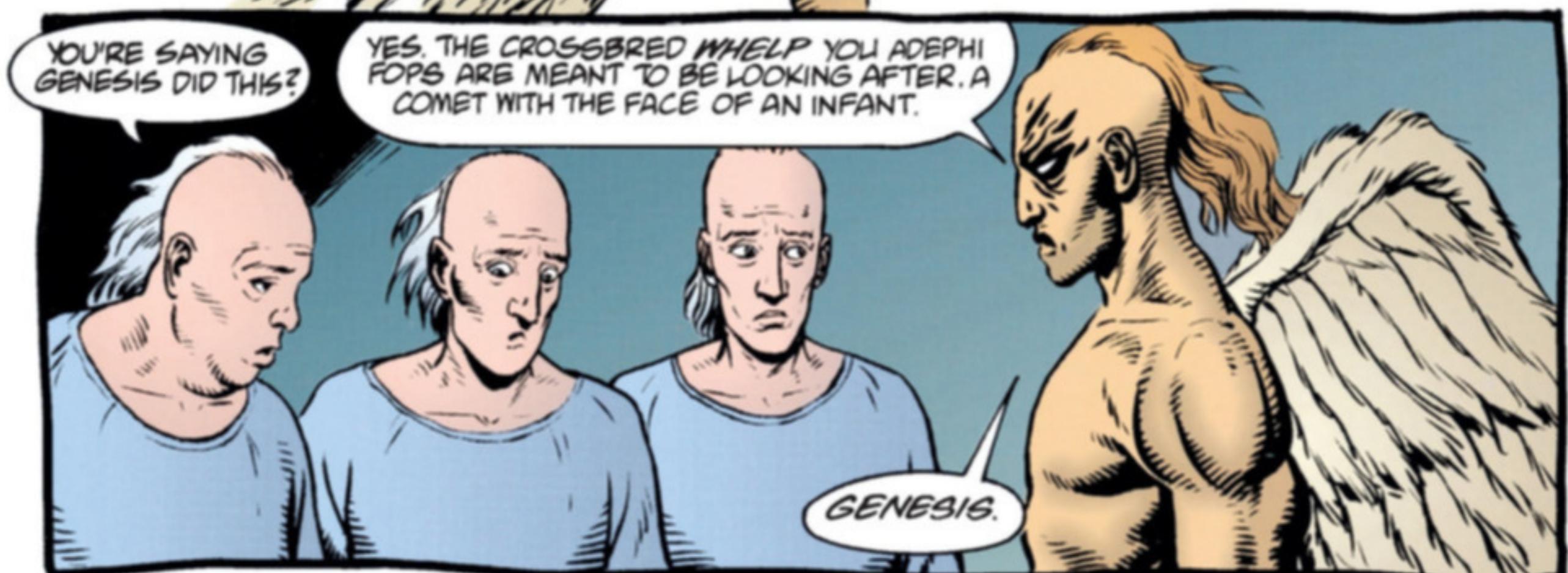
...AND WE RECKON  
IT BROKE OUT RIGHT  
ABOUT... HERE.

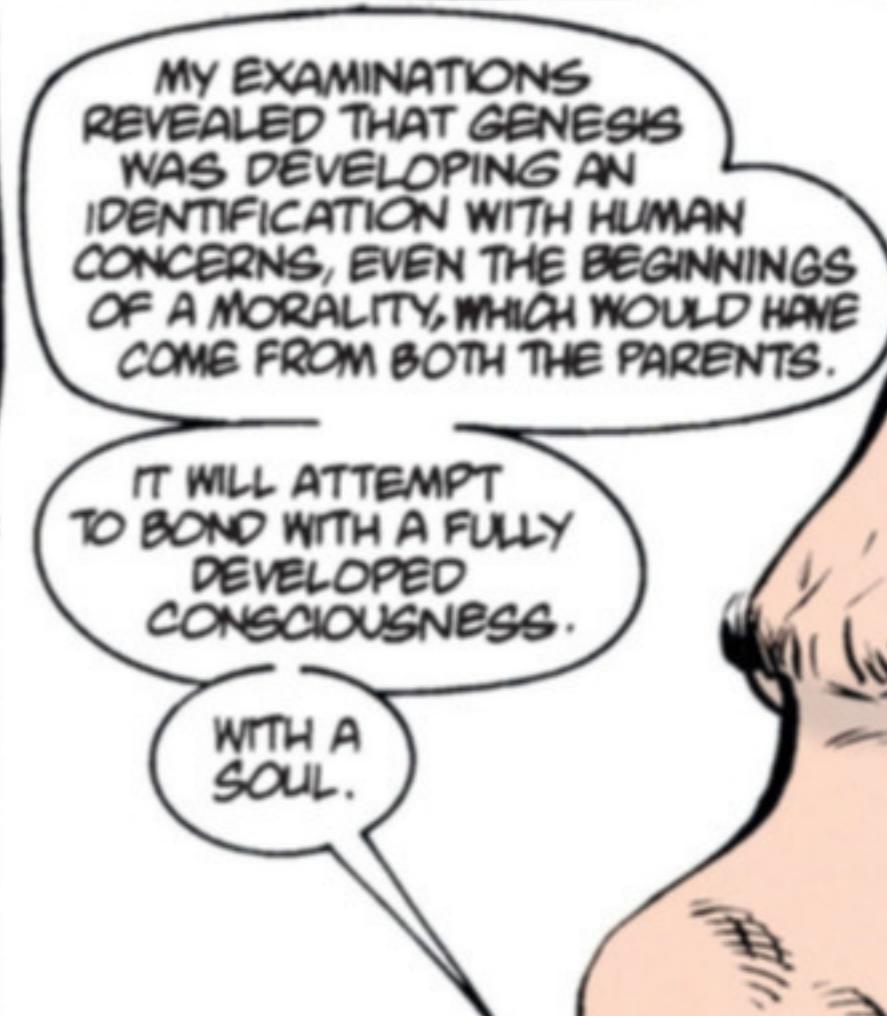




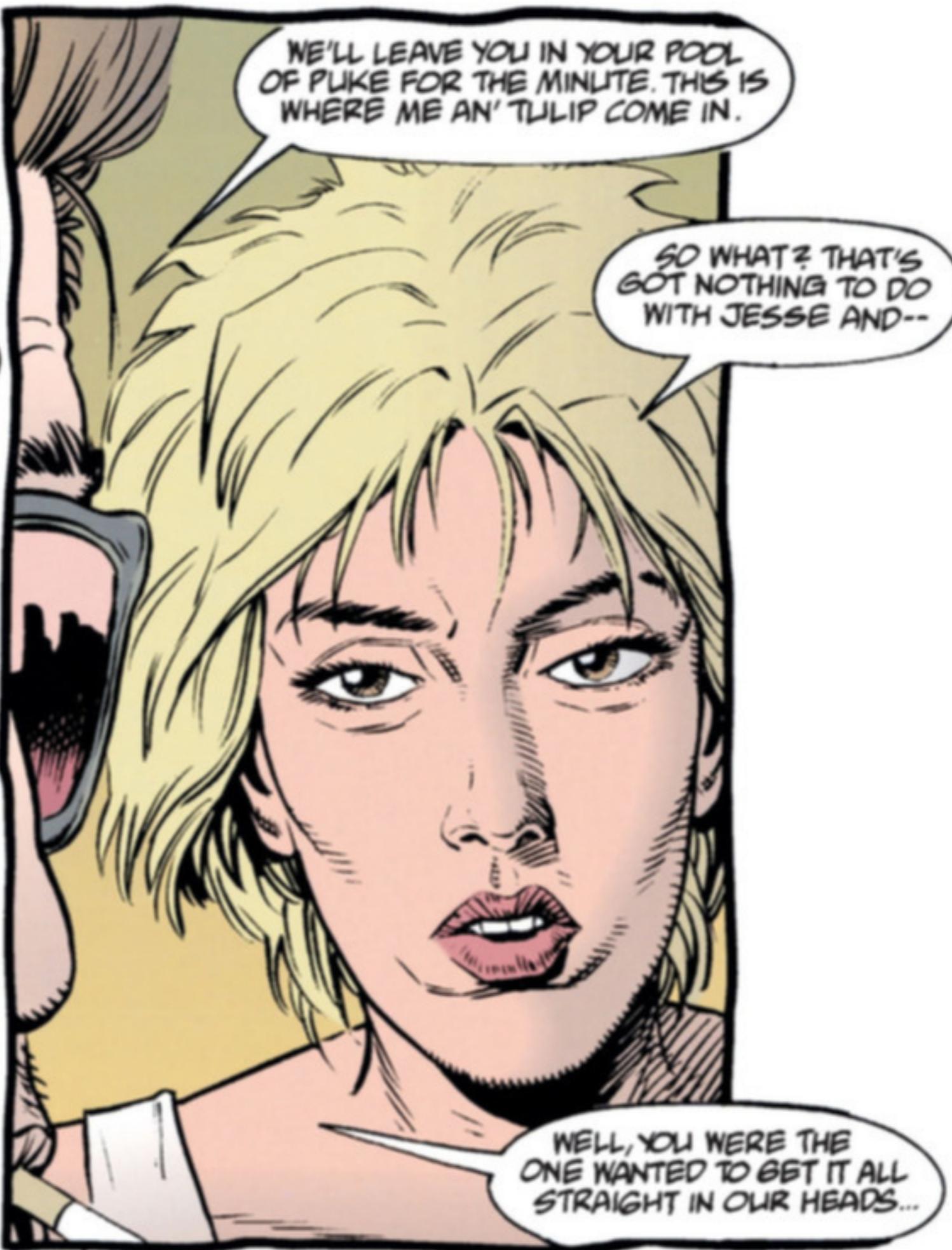
THIS USED TO BE  
MY BROTHER. AN HOUR  
AGO WE WERE CIRCLING  
IN THE STRATOSPHERE  
WHEN YOUR ENTITY  
CAME CHARGING OUT  
OF THE RISING SUN  
AND DID THIS TO HIM.

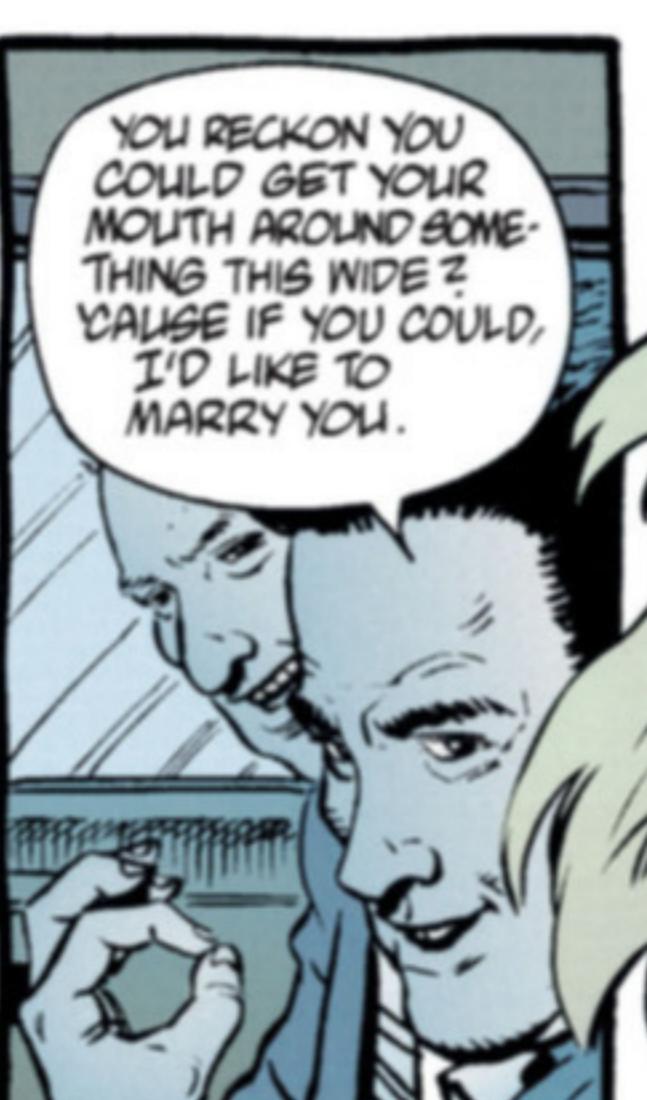
WHAT ARE  
YOU GOING TO  
DO ABOUT IT?



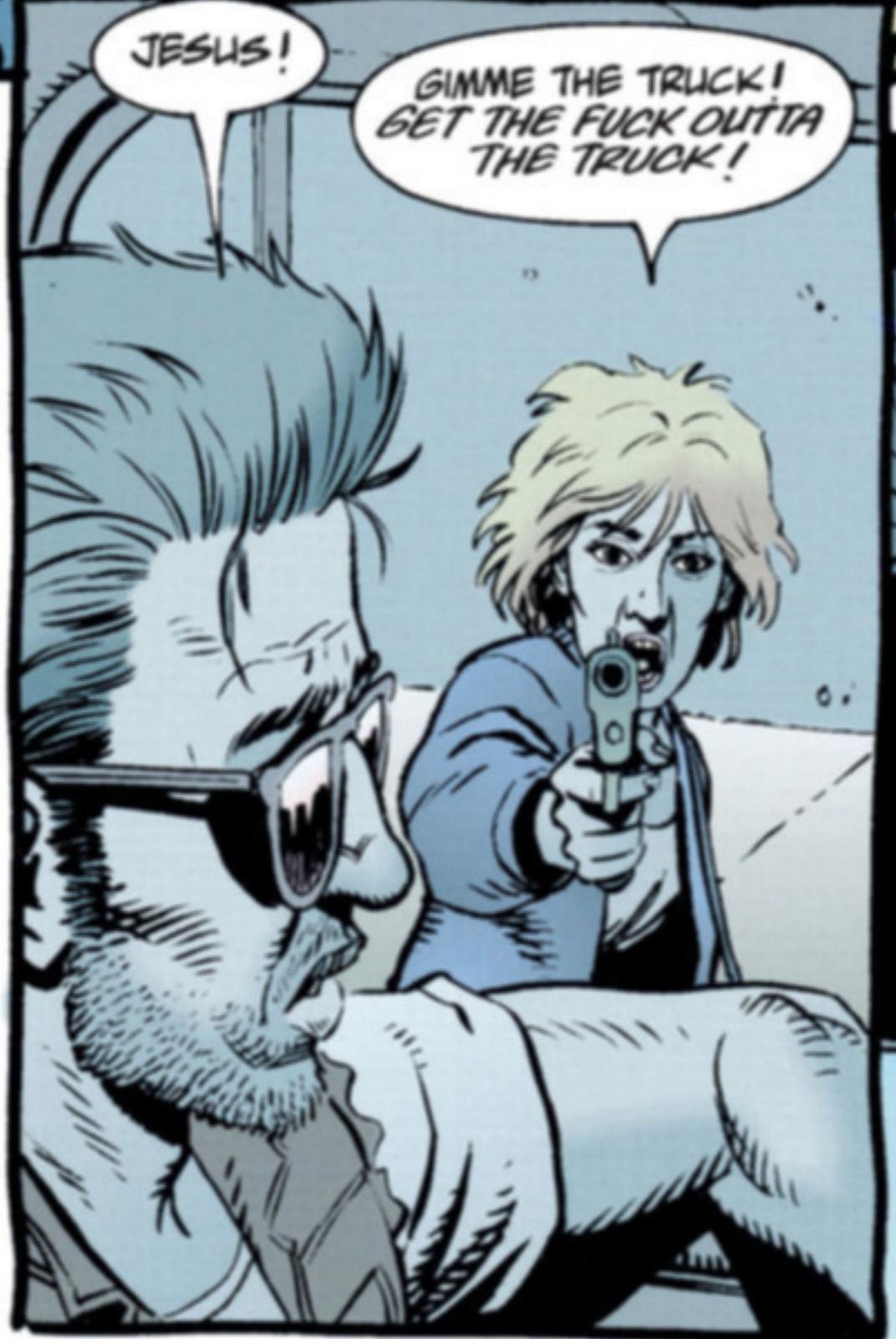




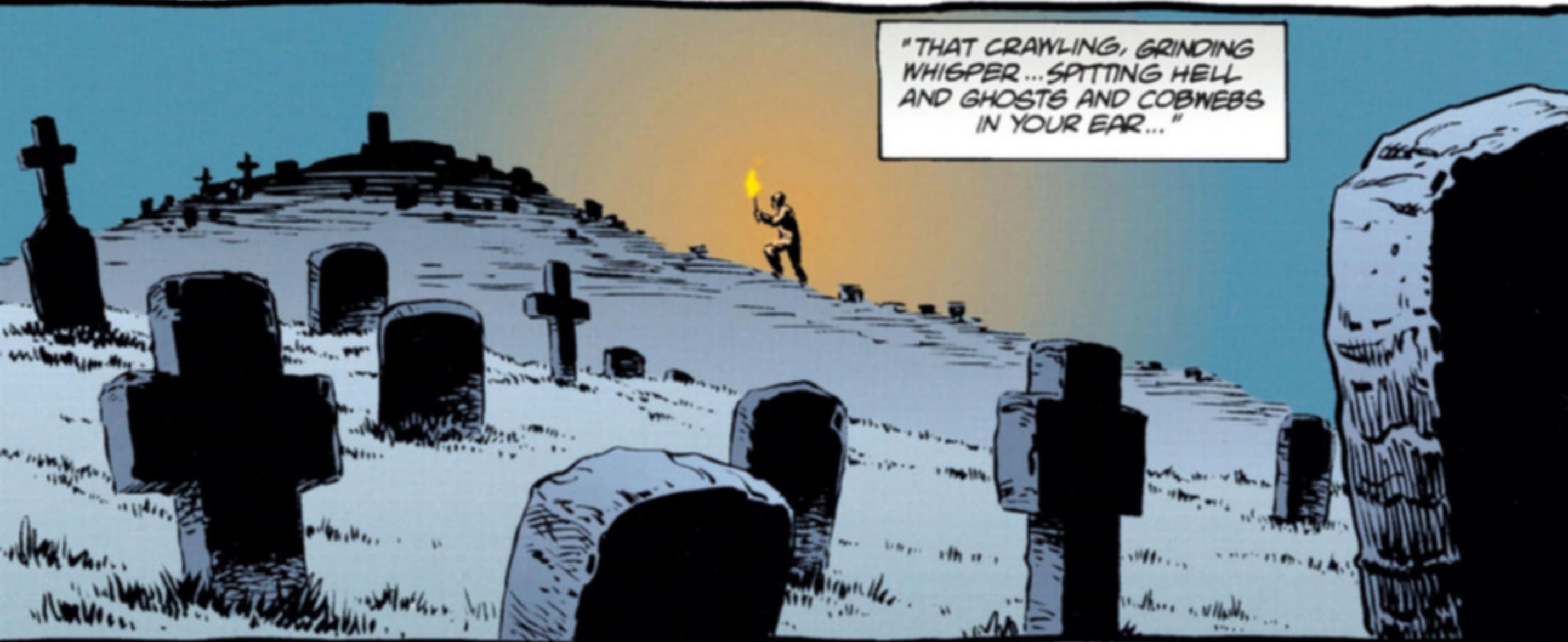


















...EVERYONE IN ANNVILLE CAME TO CHURCH THE NEXT MORNING. EVERYONE. I USUALLY GOT MAYBE TWENTY PEOPLE SHOWING UP: THIS TIME I HAD DAMN NEAR TWO HUNDRED.

NOW, EITHER MY PRAYERS HAD BEEN ANSWERED AND THE WHOLE TOWN HAD SEEN THE LIGHT AT ONCE--

OR THEY'D ALL HEARD ABOUT YOU GOIN' MENTAL THE NIGHT BEFORE.

"REVEREND CUSTER'S LOSIN' HIS MIND! LET'S GO SEE, MAYBE HE'LL JERK OFF ON THE BIBLE OR SOMETHIN'!"

I FIGURED THAT WAS A LITTLE MORE LIKELY, BUT YOU ALWAYS HOPE...

ONE LOOK AT THEIR FACES, AND I COULD TELL THE GOOD LORD WAS USING MY PRAYERS TO WIPE HIS ASS.

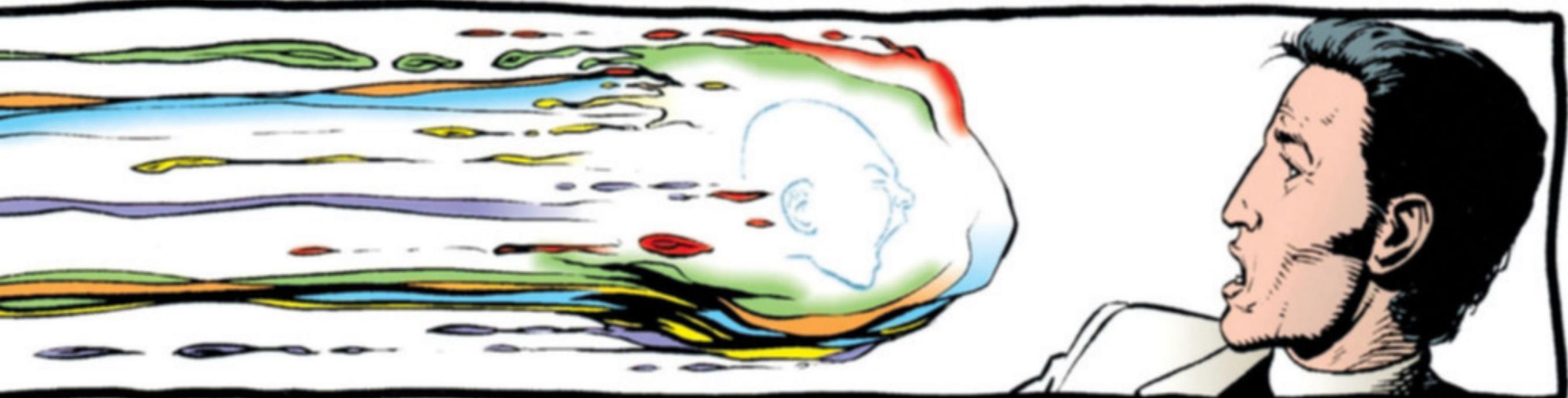
UH...GOOD MORNING.

IT--  
IT SURE IS NICE TO SEE SO MANY OF YOU FOLKS HERE THIS MORNING...

JUST OUT OF INTEREST--WHAT WOULD YOUR SERMON HAVE BEEN ABOUT?

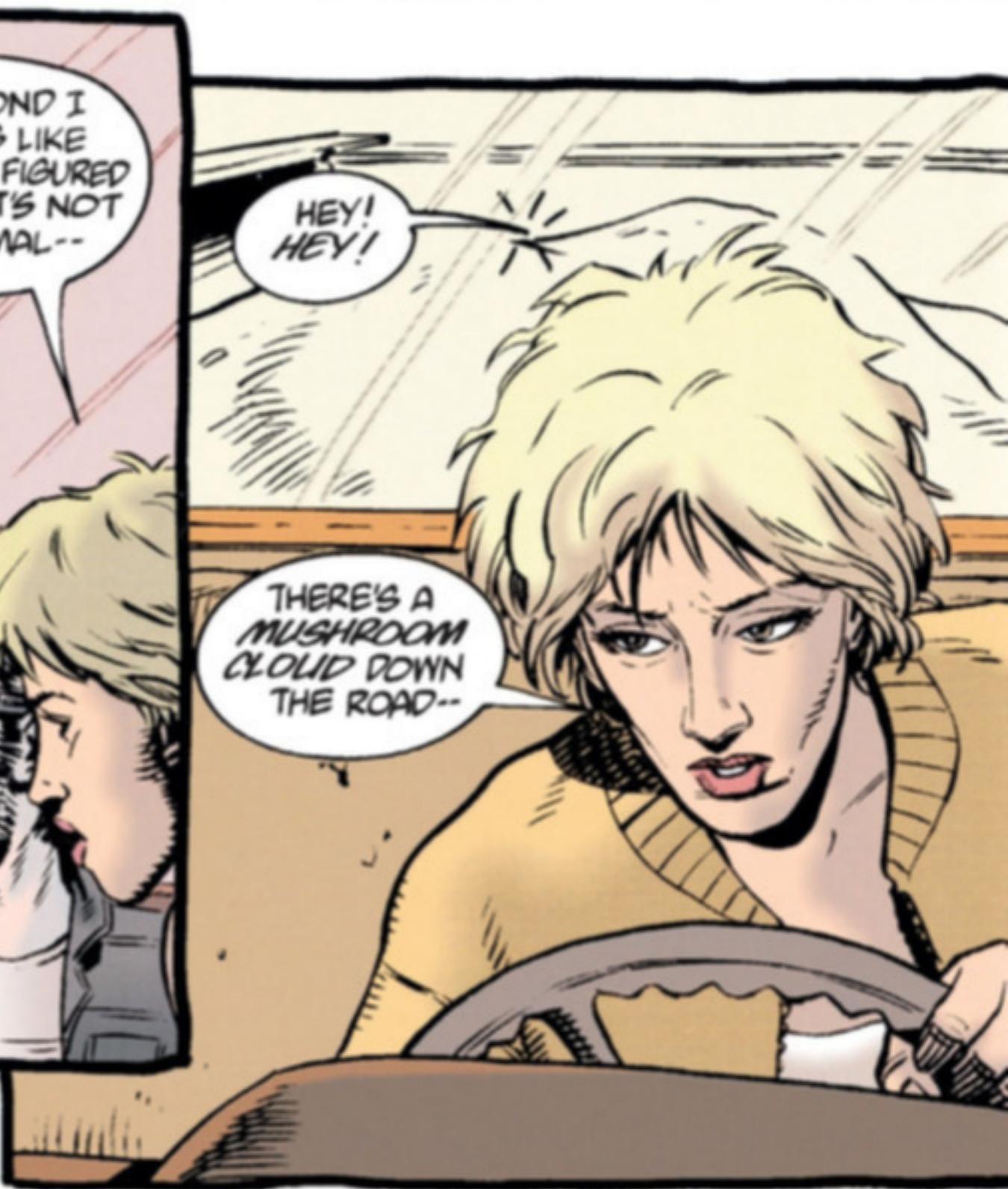
FORGIVENESS.

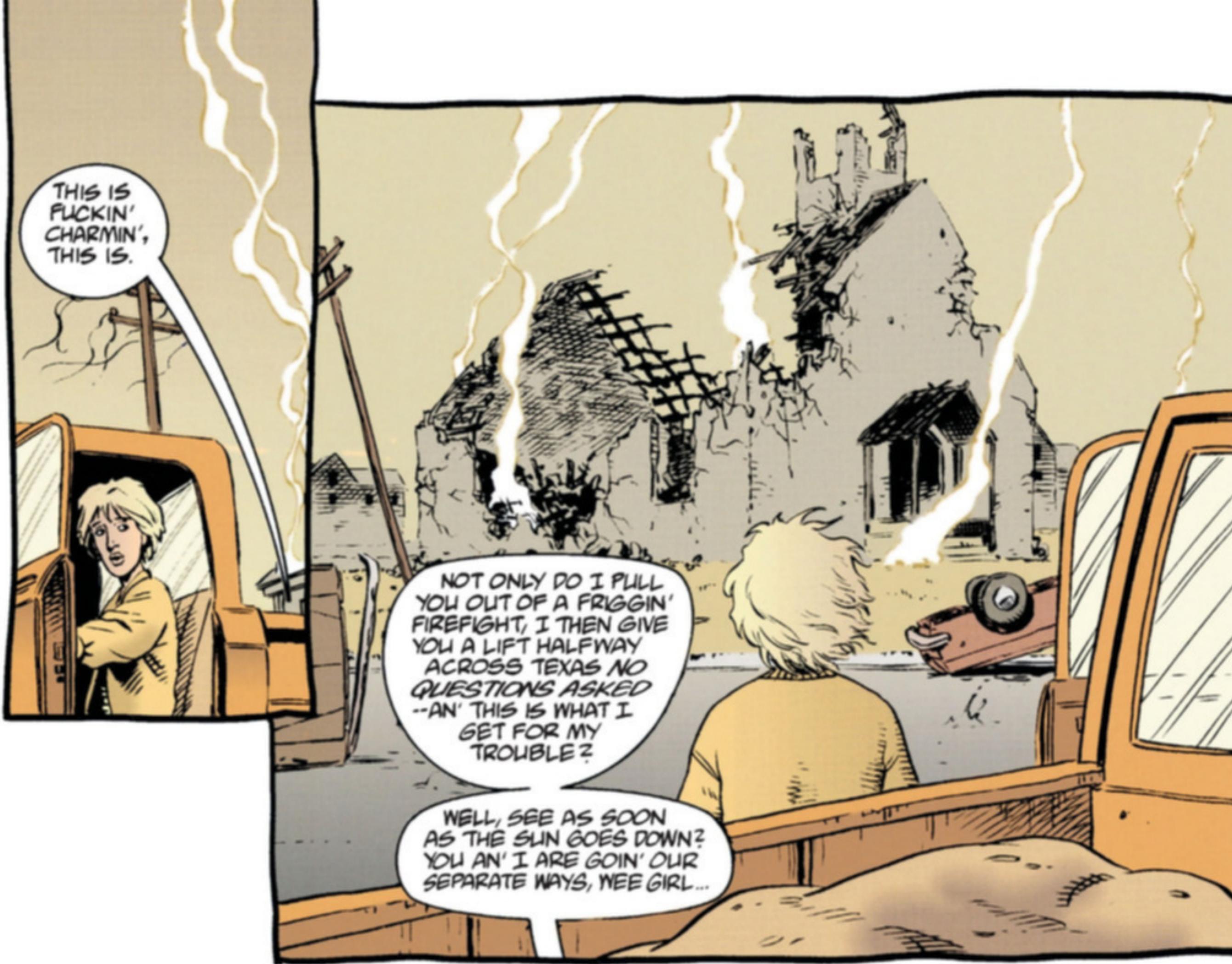
ANYWAY, THEN WHAT HAPPENED WAS--







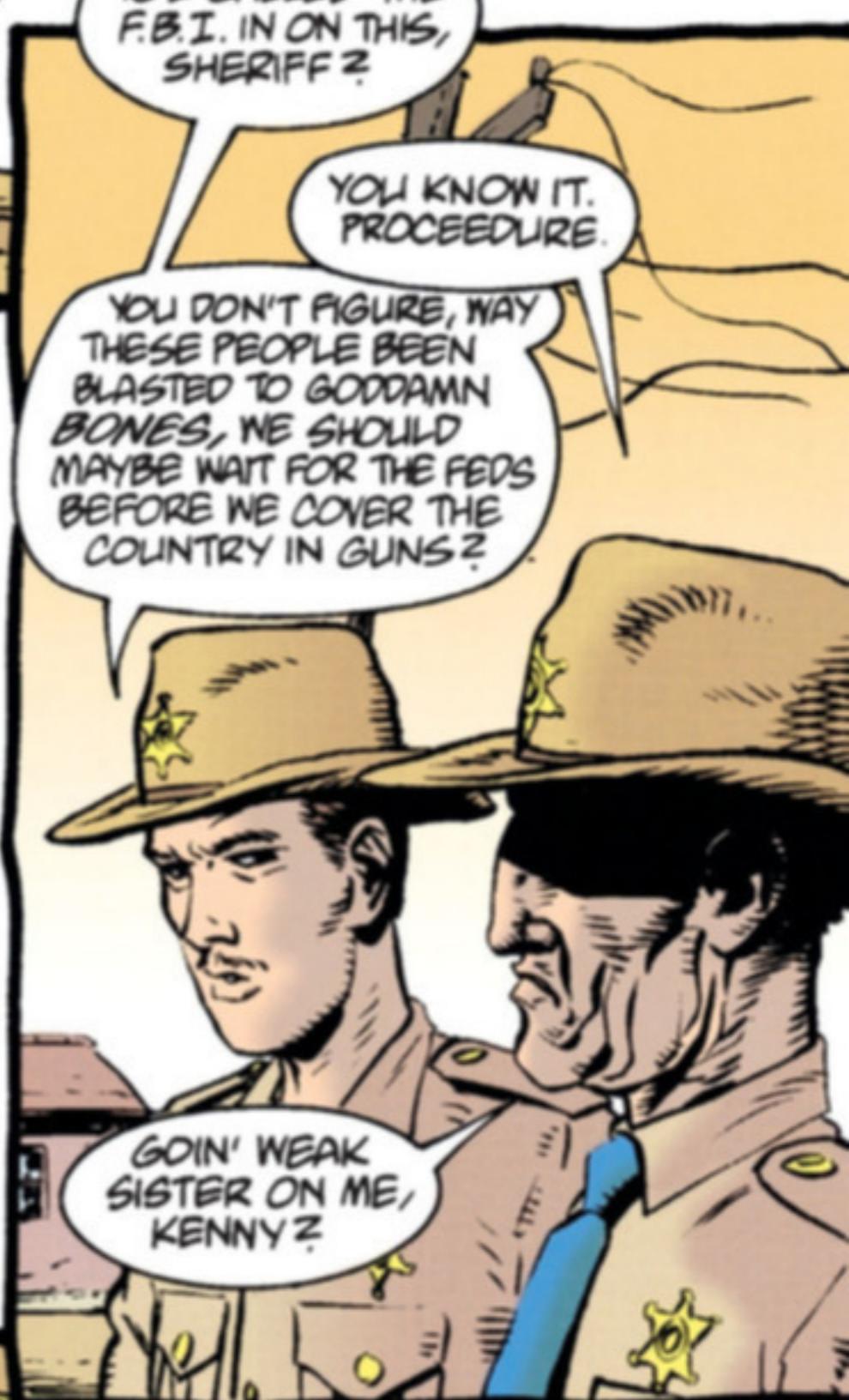














AH, GOD!  
MY FUCKING  
HEAD!

ARE YOU  
SURE YOU'RE  
ALLOWED TO  
USE LANGUAGE  
LIKE THAT?

JESSE...?

TULIP?

I  
DUNNO...  
IT'S...

I'VE GOT THIS THING  
IN MY MIND, LIKE I'VE  
SUDDENLY REMEMBERED  
ALL THIS SHIT--EXCEPT  
IT'S NOT MEMORIES, IT'S  
BEEN SHOVED IN MY  
HEAD FROM OUTSIDE...

CHRIST IT  
HURTS...IT'S  
-TELLING  
ME...

LET ME GUESS: IT'S  
GOD, AND HE SAYS WOMEN  
ARE ALL WHORES AND HE  
WANTS YOU TO  
PUNISH THEM?

CASSIDY,  
SHUT UP.

WHAT'S  
IT TELLING  
YOU?

GET THE  
FUCK OFF!  
WHAT IS  
WRONG WITH  
YOU, FOR  
CHRIST'S  
SAKE?

UH--

SHIT YOU  
WOULDN'T  
BELIEVE--

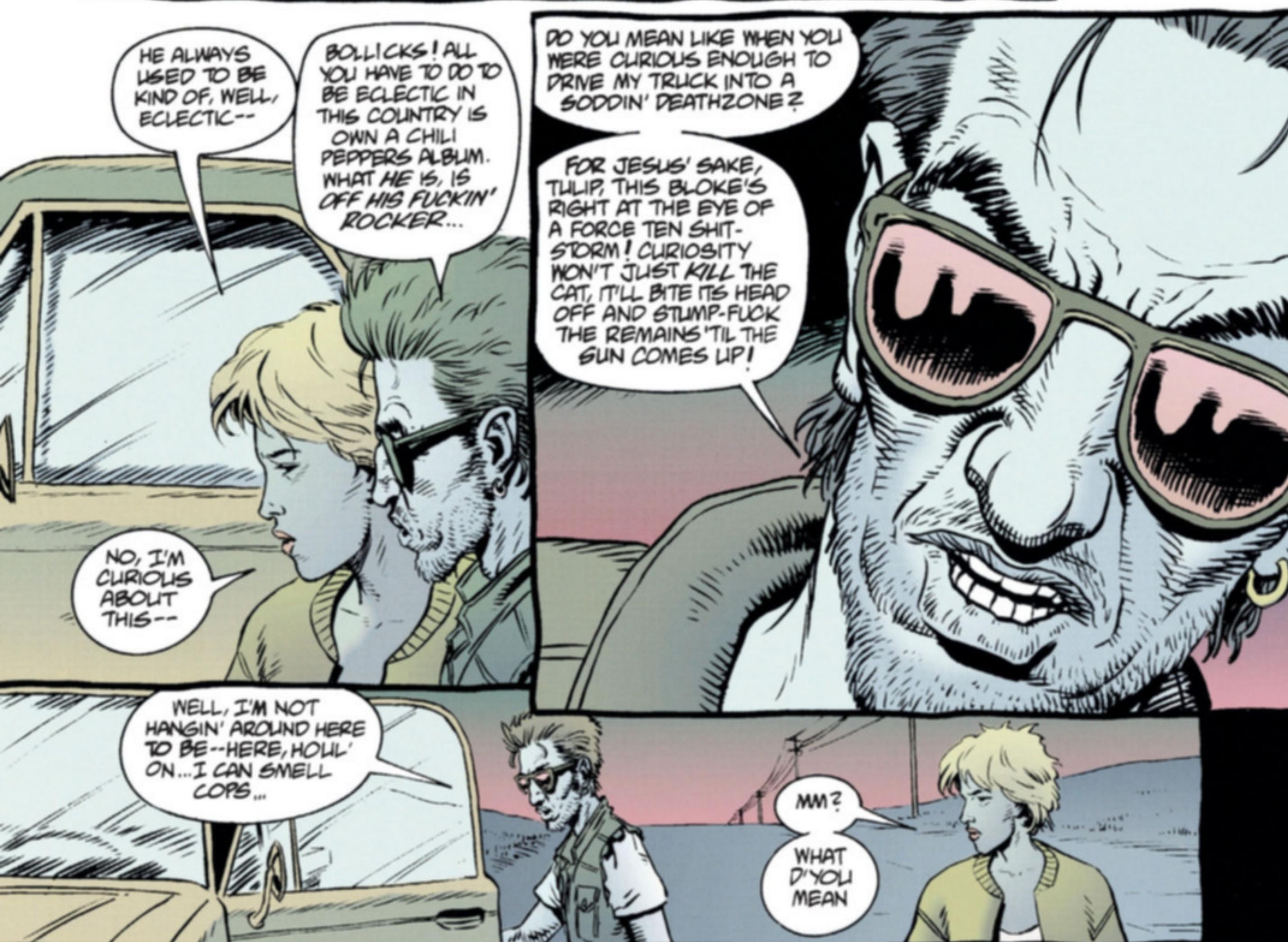
ABOUT A GUY  
AND A GIRL  
WHO FELL IN  
LOVE AND SET  
THE WORLD  
ON FIRE,

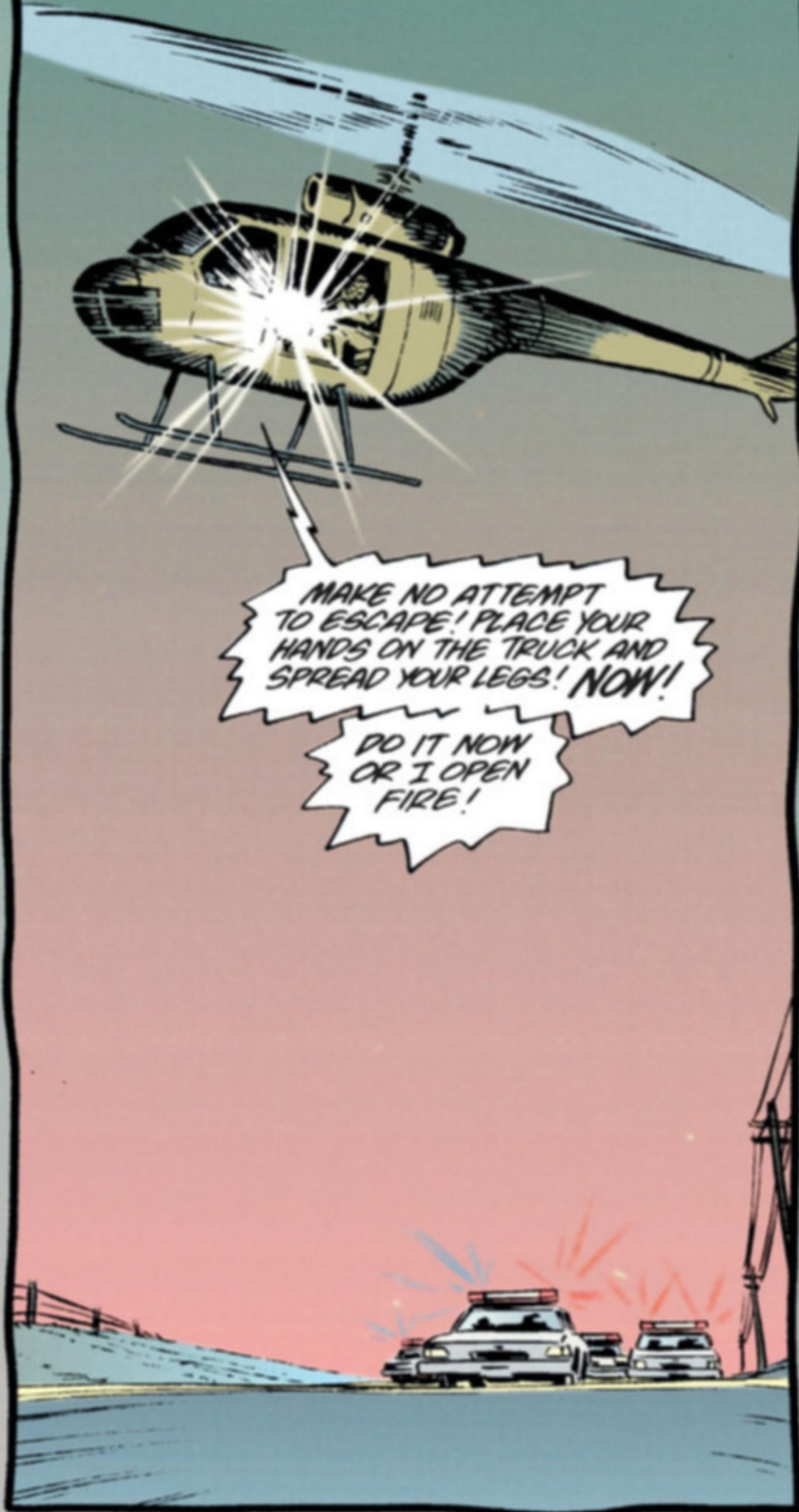
AND THE KID  
THEY HAD,

AND SOMETHING  
MASSIVE BEHIND  
IT ALL, SOMETHING  
NO ONE'S EVER  
SUPPOSED TO KNOW...

BUT WHATEVER IT  
TELLS ME, WHAT-  
EVER IT SAYS, IT  
SOUNDS LIKE--

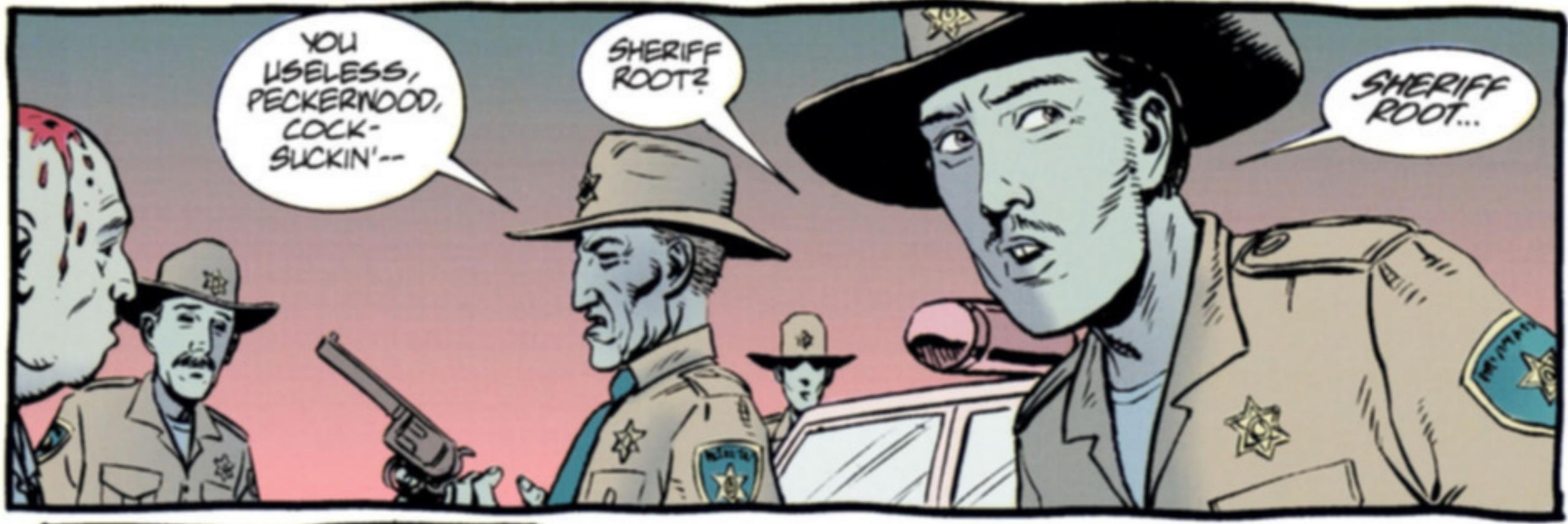
IT SOUNDS  
LIKE THE WORD  
OF GOD.













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**PREACHER**  
**BOOK ONE**  
graphic novel

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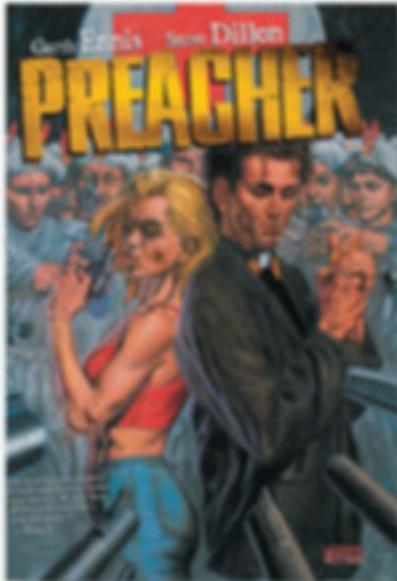
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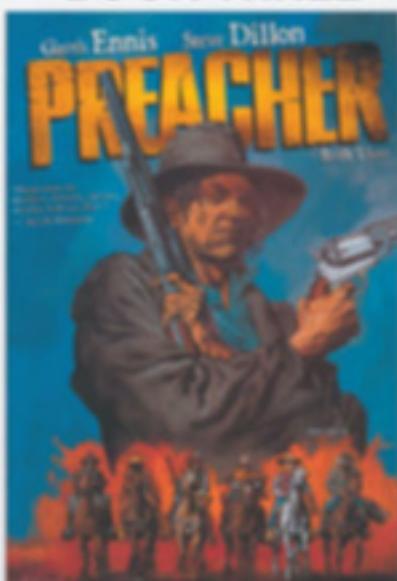
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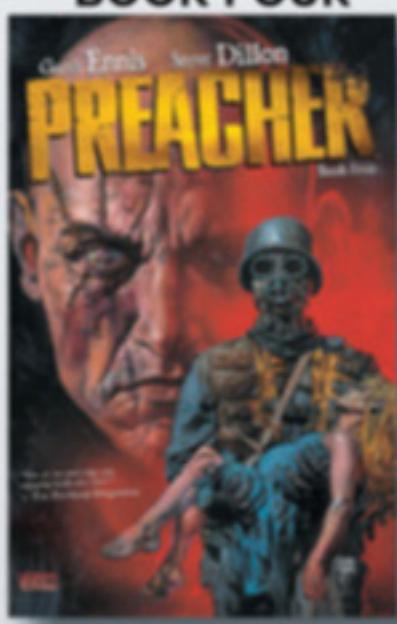
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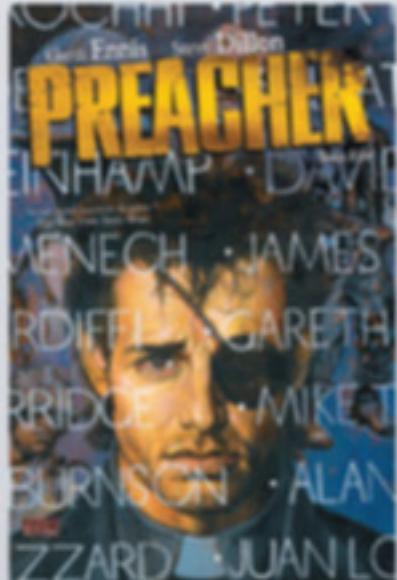
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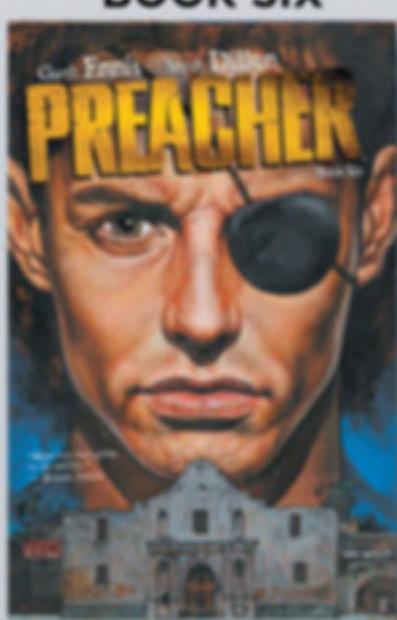
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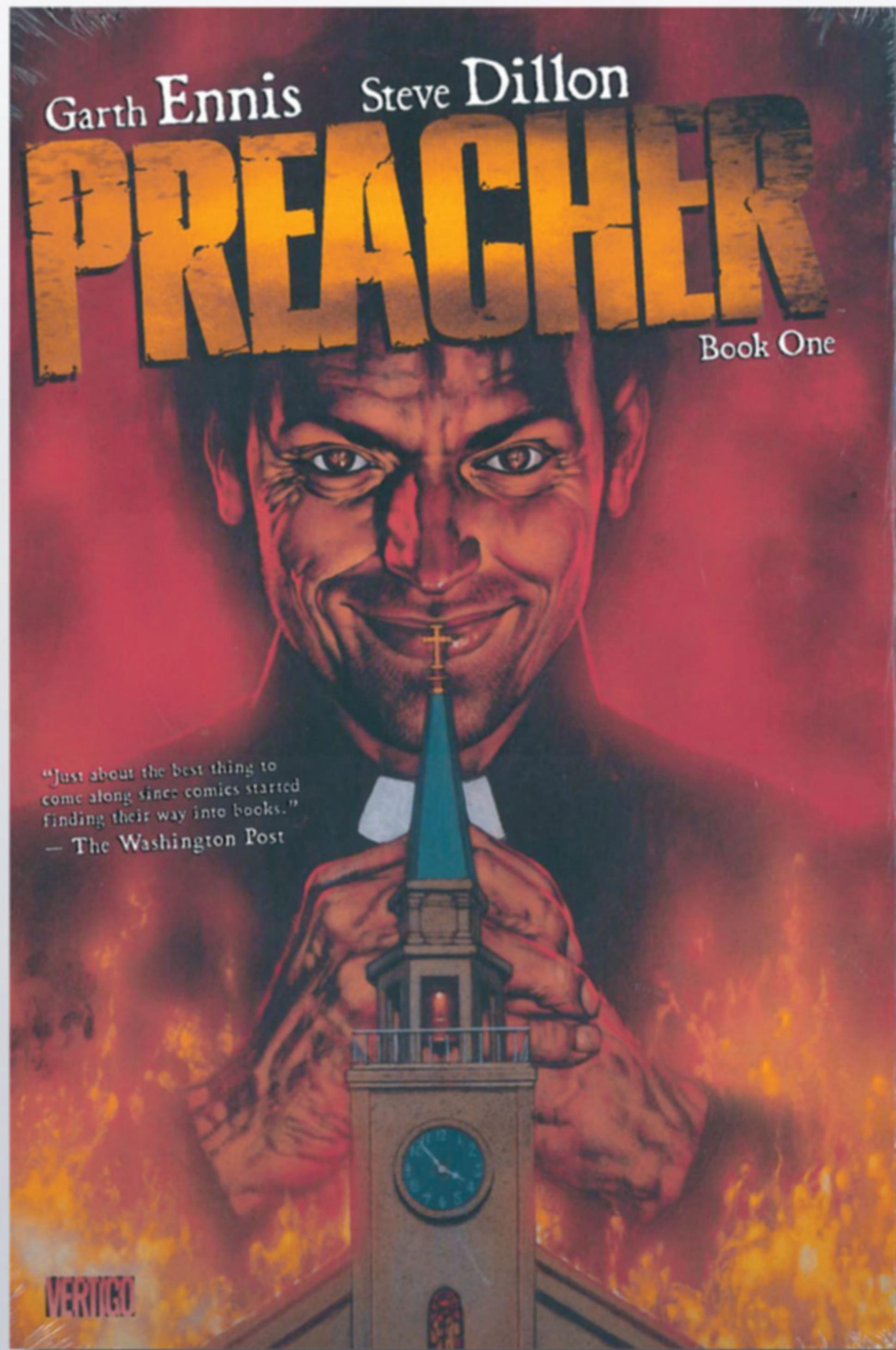
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BOOK SIX



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# All Saints' Congregational

BASED ON THE POPULAR CULT COMIC BOOK FRANCHISE OF THE SAME NAME, "PREACHER" IS A SUPERNATURAL, TWISTED AND DARKLY COMEDIC DRAMA THAT FOLLOWS A WEST TEXAS PREACHER NAMED JESSE CUSTER, WHO IS INHABITED BY A MYSTERIOUS ENTITY THAT CAUSES HIM TO DEVELOP A HIGHLY UNUSUAL POWER. JESSE, HIS BADASS EX-GIRLFRIEND TULIP AND AN IRISH VAGABOND NAMED CASSIDY COME TOGETHER, AND WHEN THEY DO, THEY ARE THRUST INTO A CRAZY WORLD POPULATED BY A CAST OF CHARACTERS FROM HEAVEN, HELL AND EVERYWHERE IN BETWEEN.



# JESSE CUSTER

**DOMINIC COOPER**

Trying to fulfill a promise to his dead father, former criminal Jesse Custer has returned to his hometown of Annville, Texas, to lead his father's church as the town preacher. But when he's inhabited by a mysterious entity, he's forced to wrestle with a new kind of mission.



# TULIP O'HARE

**RUTH NEGGA**

A volatile, hell-raising force of nature, Tulip O'Hare is Jesse Custer's ex-girlfriend and one true love. She's also a gifted criminal who's not afraid to steal, cheat or kill to get what she wants.

# CASSIDY

JOSEPH GILGUN

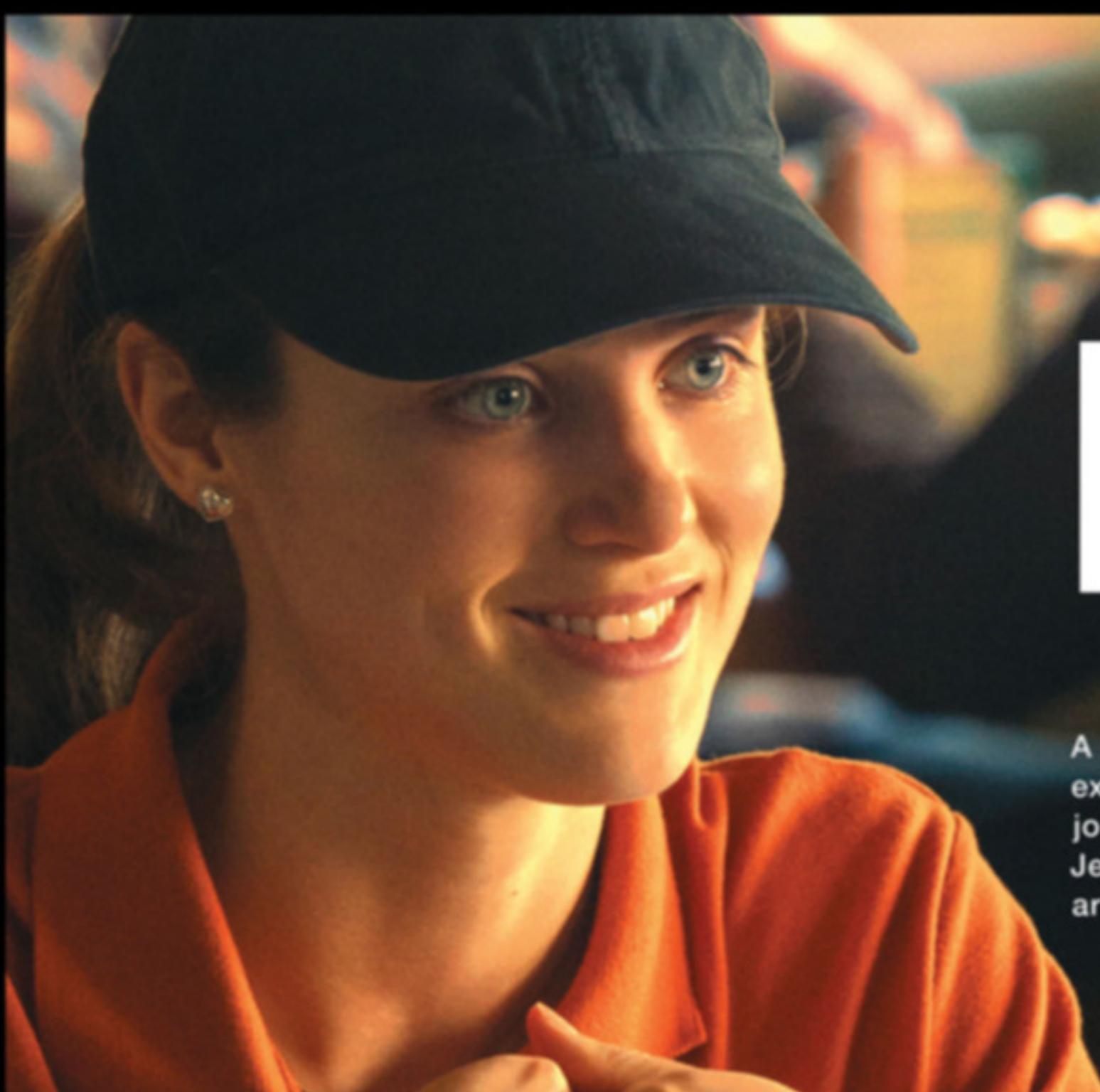
Cassidy is an Irish vagabond, a glutton for every possible vice, and when he stumbles across the weird town of Annville, he quickly becomes Jesse's most wild-ass, bestest friend. He's up for any kind of adventure, his hedonistic lifestyle and humanist views are constantly at odds with Jesse's faith.



# EMILY

LUCY GRIFFITHS

A young widow and single mother of three, Emily excels in the practicalities of life, juggling several jobs and upholding her church duties for Preacher Jesse Custer, but simmering beneath the surface are a whole lot of dark and debased desires.





# SHERIFF ROOT

W. EARL BROWN

Sheriff Root is Annville's local lawman, a tough, conservative redneck who loves his deformed son but is dubious of Eugene's faith in Preacher Custer.



# EUGENE AKA “ARSEFACE”

IAN COLLETTI

Teenager Eugene Root has the heart of a saint and the face of a monster. Despised by most, he finds solace in Jesse's sermons and is the new preacher's biggest fan.





# DEBLANC AND FIORE

ANATOL YUSEF AND TOM BROOK

Strangely mysterious government agents DeBlanc and Fiore are heading up a top-secret investigation that has led them right to the doorstep of Jesse Custer.



# DONNIE SCHENCK

DEREK WILSON

Donnie is all brawny ambition. When Preacher Jesse Custer resurfaces and publicly undermines his role as the town bully, Donnie's hell bent on evening the score.



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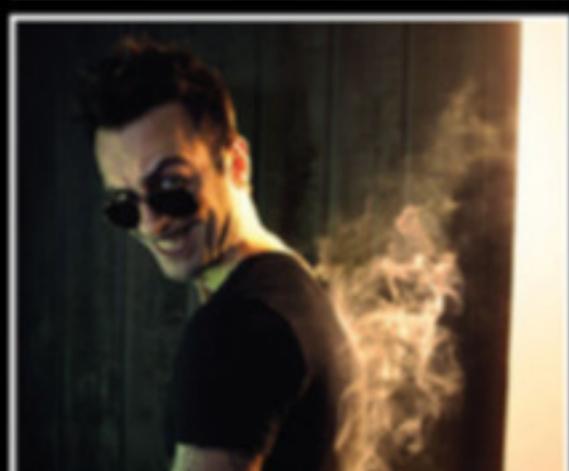
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MAGENTA BLACK  
YELLOW CYAN

"It was the time of the preacher..."

As first lines go, that's a hard one to forget. That was how it started more than 20 years ago, when comic book fans opened the very first issue of **PREACHER**, the new brainchild of Garth Ennis and Steve Dillon, who had previously blown minds and torn new orifices with their gutsy run on **HELLBLAZER**.

**PREACHER** was altogether something different, though. It was a creation uniquely their own, and unlike anything that had been done in comics before or since. If you want to talk about the sacred and the profane, you'll find no better manifestation of it. The story of Jesse Custer, the titular preacher, on a hunt to find God and send Him back to Heaven, was iconoclastic in the truest sense of the word: it challenged



readers' conceptions of religion, America, and good taste. Its philosophical ponderings were deep, its humor dirty, and the action combined the best of Sam Peckinpah westerns with the gore of classic horror.

Why revisit the past like this all of a sudden? Well, because for once it's a good thing that history is about to repeat. Jesse and his pistol-packing ex-girlfriend Tulip and their Irish vagabond pal Cassidy are hitting the road again, but this time as the main characters of a brand-new television series from AMC and Sony Pictures Television.

Produced by Seth Rogen and Evan Goldberg, the guys behind *Neighbors* and *This Is the End*, as well as many other films, *Preacher* casts Dominic Cooper (*Captain America: The First Avenger*) as Jesse. Joining him as Tulip and Cassidy are Ruth Negga (*Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*) and Joseph Gilgun (*Misfits*), respectively.

And don't worry, your other favorite characters are coming along for the ride. Ian Colletti will be playing Arseface, and Rorschach himself, Jackie Earle Haley, will portray the unforgettable Odin Quincannon.

*Preacher* premieres on AMC on Sunday May 22 at 10/9c, giving you plenty of time to catch up on the original comic. All six volumes are currently in print and ready for a spot on your bookshelf.

Plus, long-term fans and new addicts alike can pick up the oversize, slipcased **ABSOLUTE PREACHER VOL. 1** hardcover



in July, collecting the first 26 issues and offering an exclusive bonus section. There's even a new introduction by Goldberg and Rogen!

Ain't no two ways about it: the time of the **PREACHER** is now.

-- Jamie S. Rich, Senior Editor

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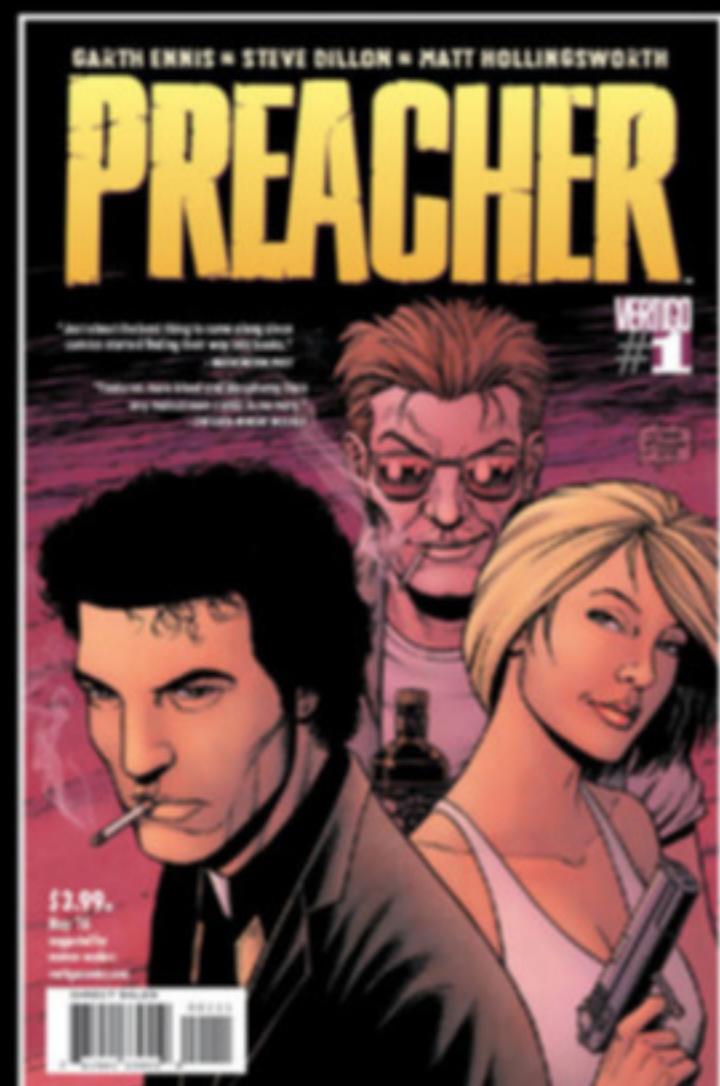
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**BREAKING BAD, THE FAST AND THE FURIOUS AND THIS IS THE END**



**THE BEGINNING IS NIGH**

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