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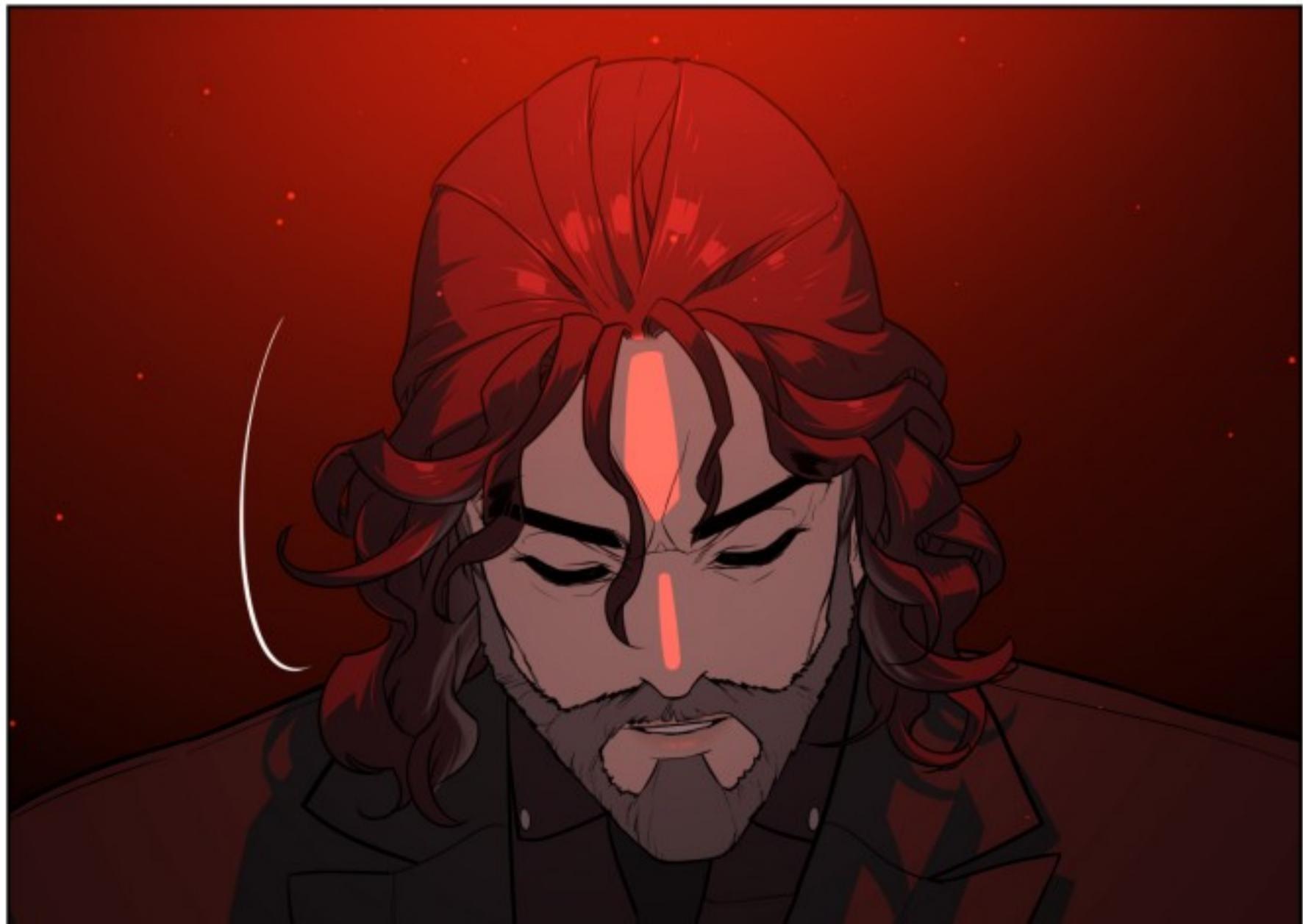


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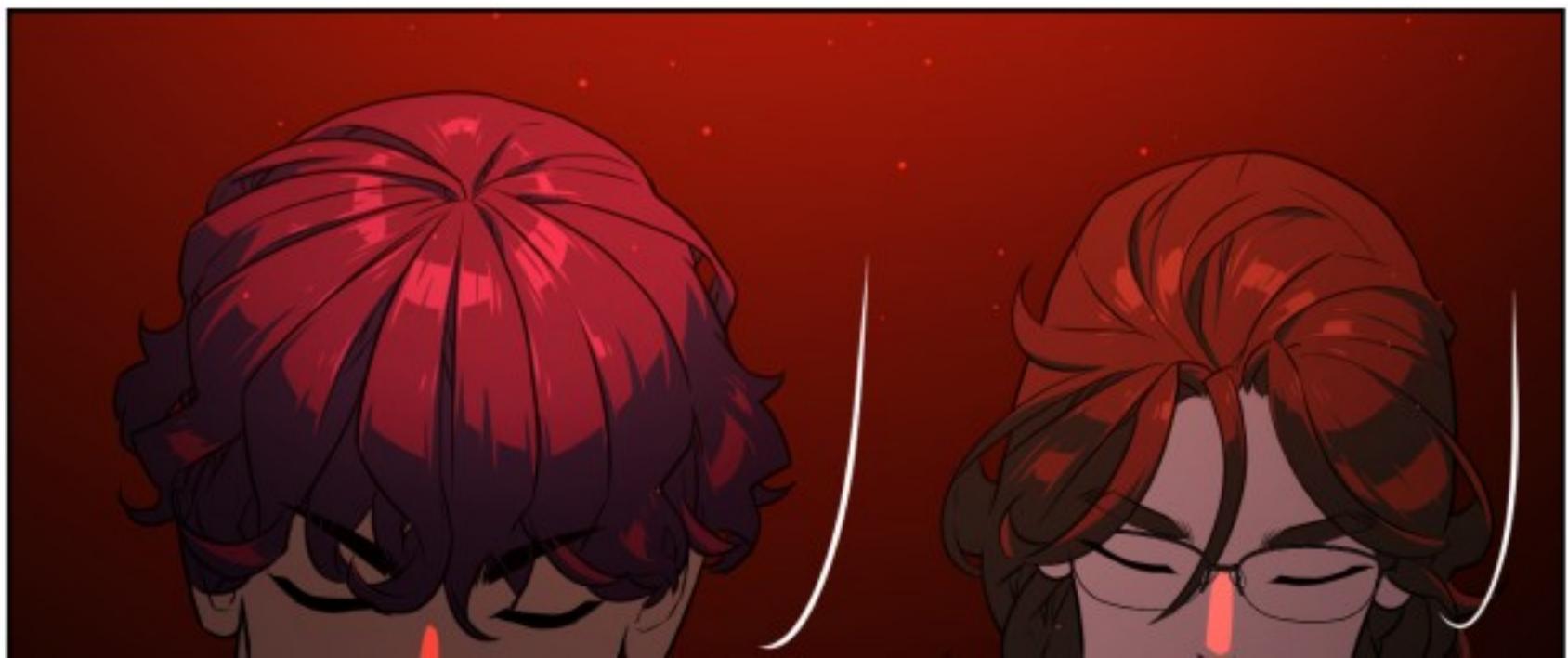
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SHOW YOUR
REVERENCE TO
GOD.





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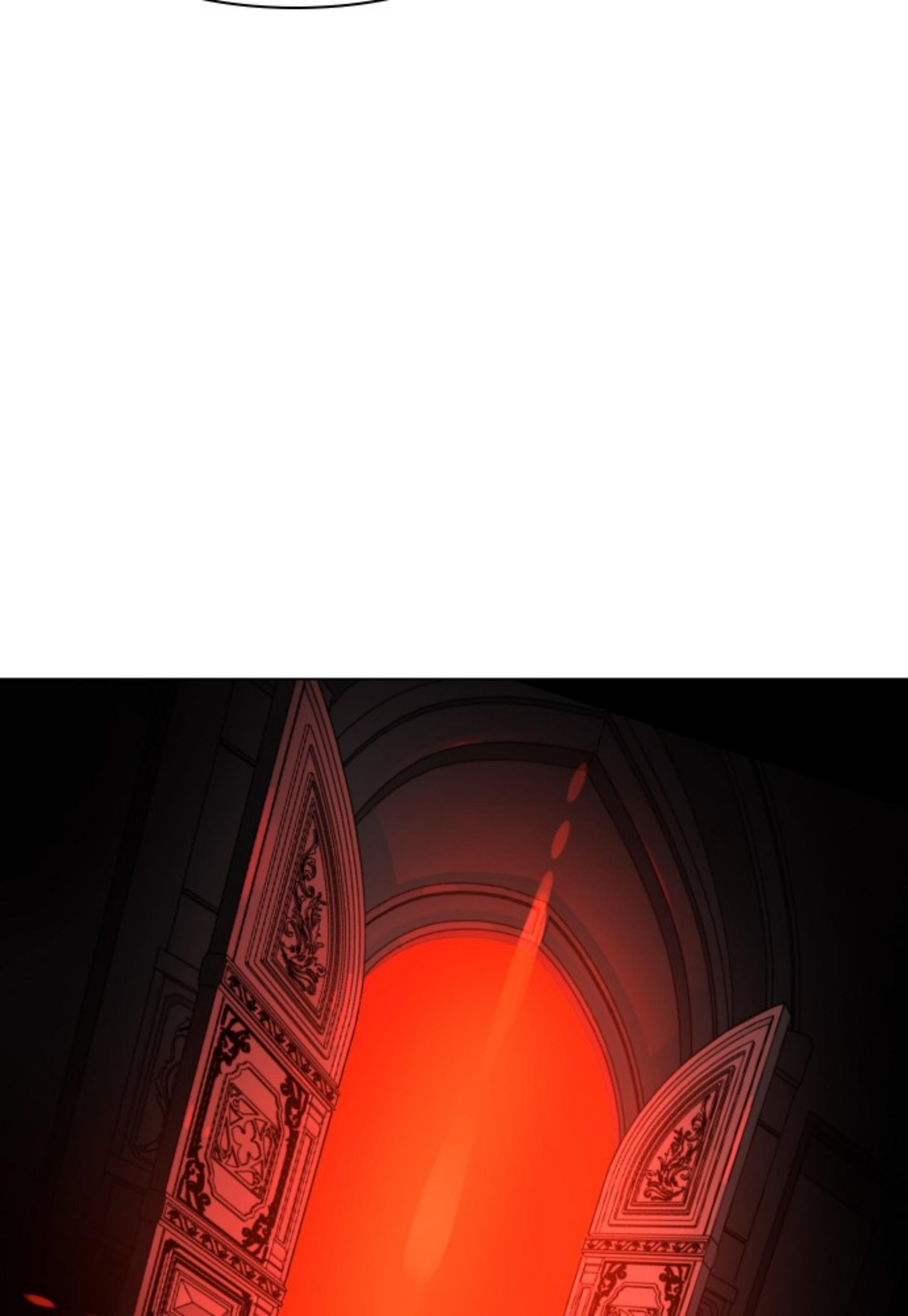
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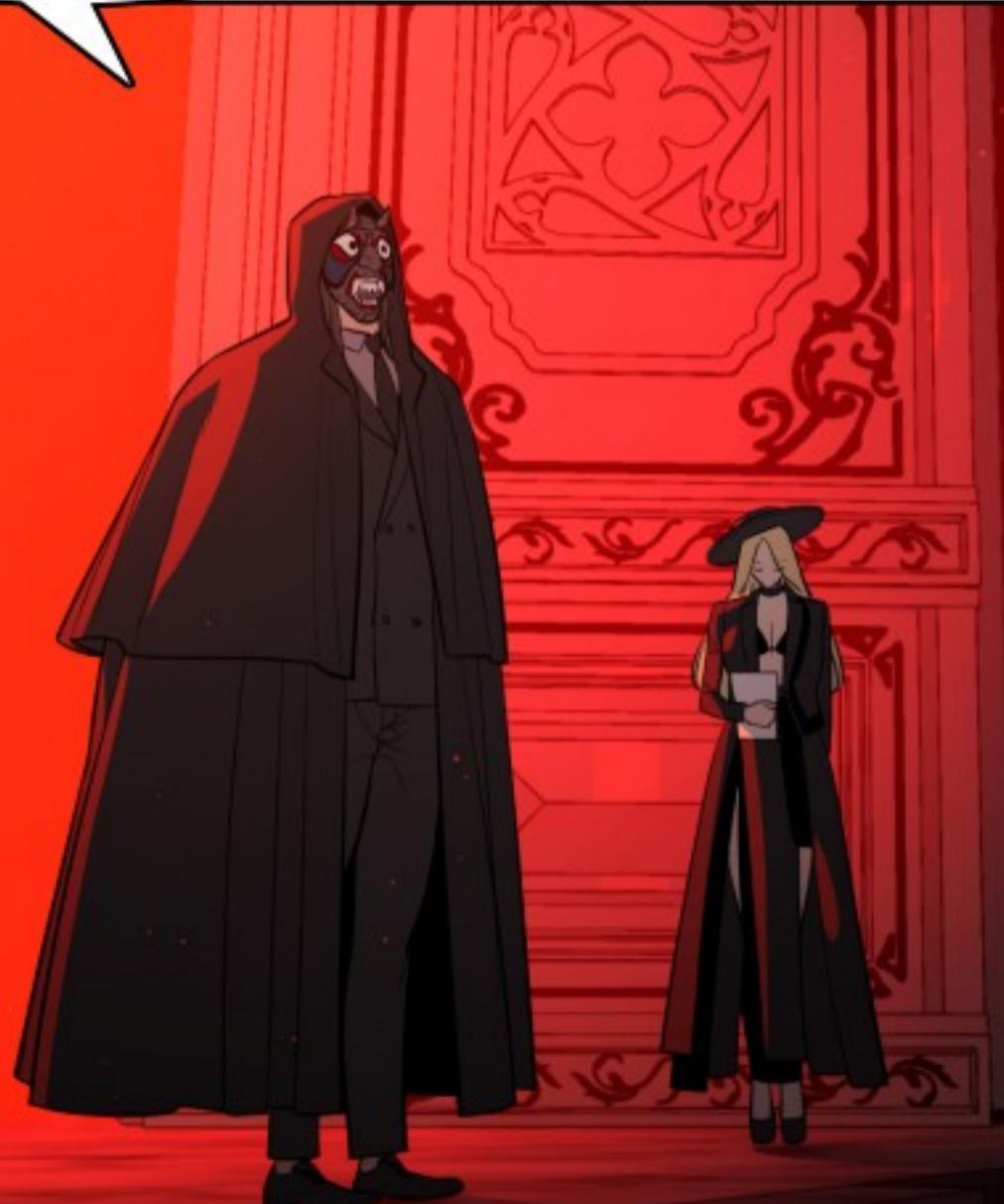
THE GENERAL
MEETING FOR EXECUTIVE
MEMBERS IS NOW CALLED
TO ORDER.







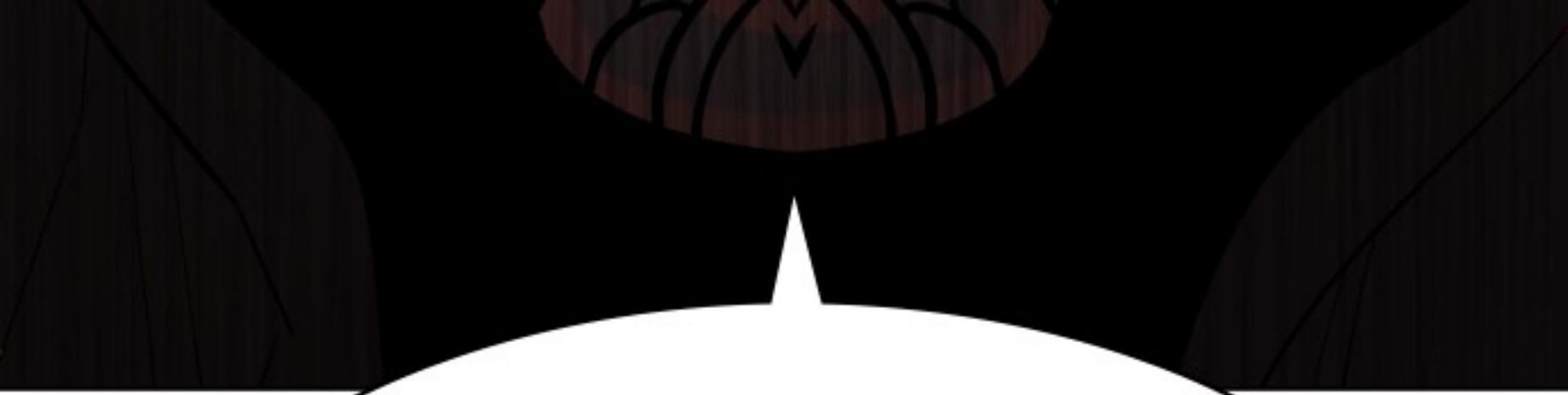
THE REBELLION
WILL TAKE PLACE
SOON.



WE'LL BE ABLE TO
ACHIEVE EVERYTHING WE
DREAMED OF AFTER
"THAT DAY."

SO LET
ME ASK YOU
THIS.





WHY CAN'T
ANY OF YOU BRING
ME THE PUREBLOOD'S
HEART?

MURMUR



MURMUR

THE TENSION
IS PALPABLE.

MURMUR

MURMUR

THEY CAN
PROBABLY SENSE
THE SYSTEM IS
BREAKING DOWN.

I CAN UNDERSTAND
WHY THEY FEEL THAT
WAY. THE ANGELS OF DEATH
WHO THEY HAD REVERED

WHO THEY HAD REVERED
AND FOLLOWED HAVE BEEN
KILLED OFF ONE BY ONE.

HEY, HEY.
PIPE DOWN.

THIS ISN'T A
PLACE WHERE YOU
CAN CHIT-CHAT.

MURMUR

MURMUR



MURMUR

RAGE



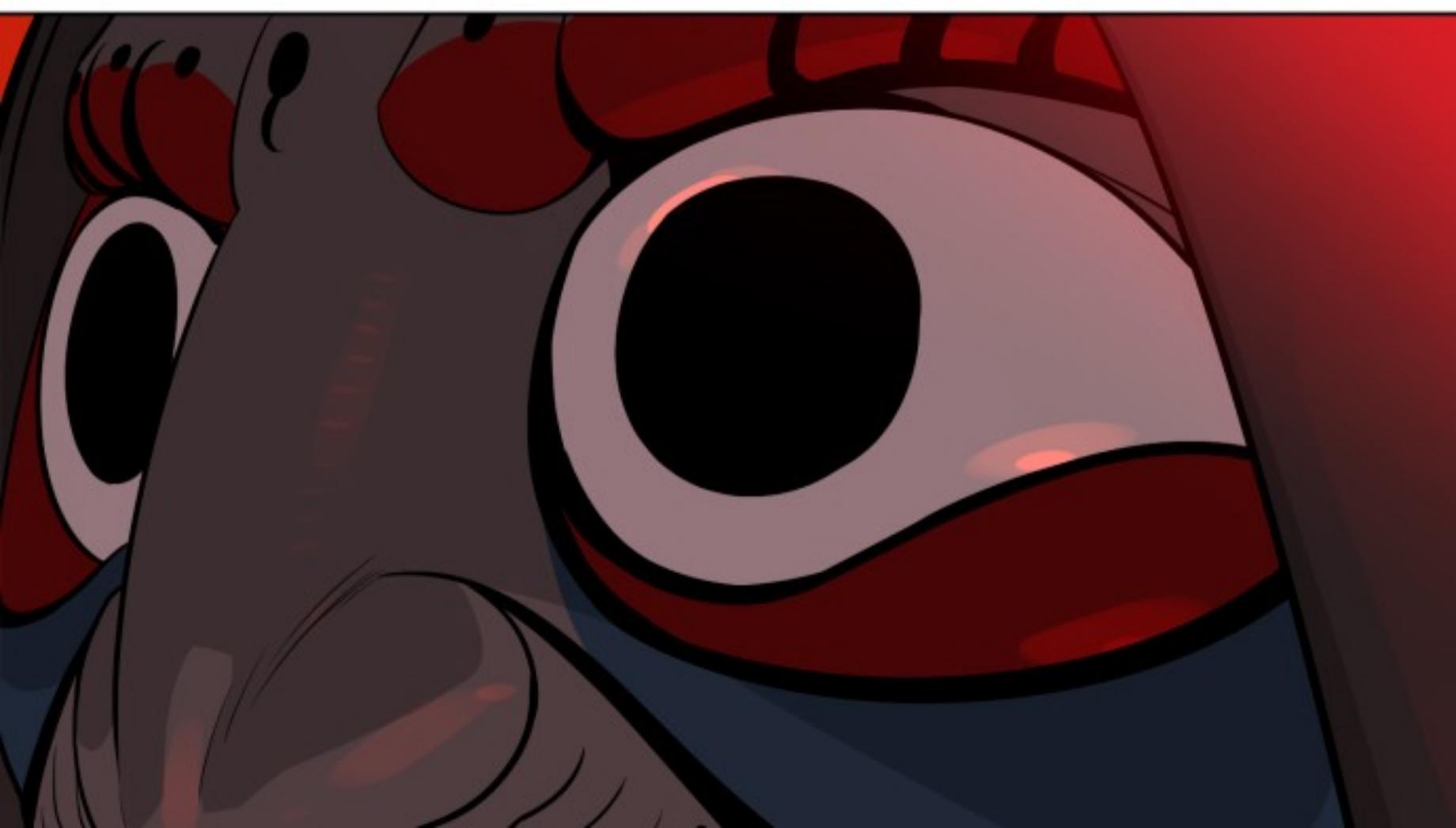




WHAT THE
HELL DO YOU THINK
YOU'RE DOING?



I HAVE
SOMETHING I WANT
TO SAY TO GOD.





THIS SON OF
A BITCH HAS GOT
SOME NERVE.

YOU'RE IN
THE PRESENCE
OF GOD.



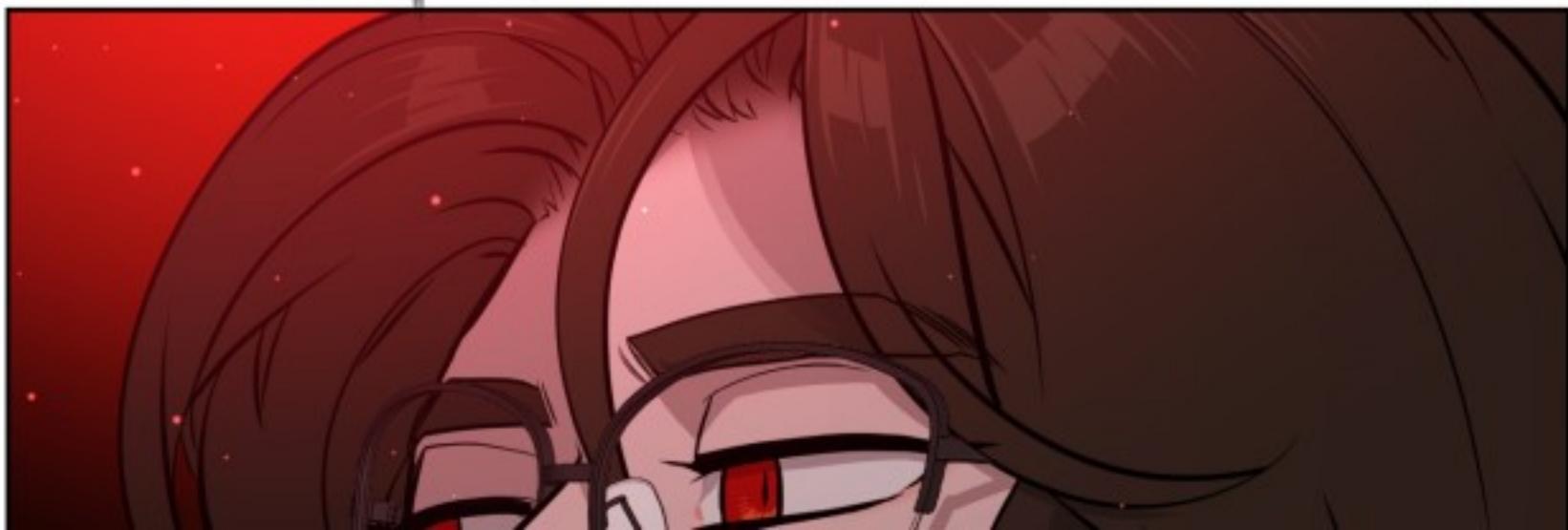
**STOP DRAWING
ATTENTION TO
YOURSELF OR
ELSE YOU'LL
REGRET IT.**

SILENCE.



YOU MAY
SPEAK.

WELL, HE'S
FLICKED.





I'LL GET
STRAIGHT TO
THE POINT.

WE'VE NOTICED
THAT SOME VACANCIES
HAVE OPENED UP AMONG
THE ANGELS OF
DEATH.

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**PLEASE GIVE US
THE CHANCE TO TAKE
THEIR PLACES.**



IF YOU DO,
I'LL RISK MY LIFE TO
BRING YOU WHAT YOU
ASKED FOR.



EVEN THE
ANGELS OF DEATH
ARE DYING AT THE
HANDS OF THAT
PUREBLOOD.

WHAT CHANCE
DO ANY OF US
ORDINARY VAMPIRES
HAVE THEN?

SO PLEASE...



...GIVE US
SOME OF YOUR

SOME UP YOUR
BLOOD.

HOW DARE
THAT SON OF A BITCH
THINK HE HAS THE
RIGHT TO ASK
THAT OF GOD?





BUT THE
BIGGER PROBLEM
IS...



...THE OTHER

VAMPIRES ARE BEING
SWAYED BY WHAT
HE SAID.

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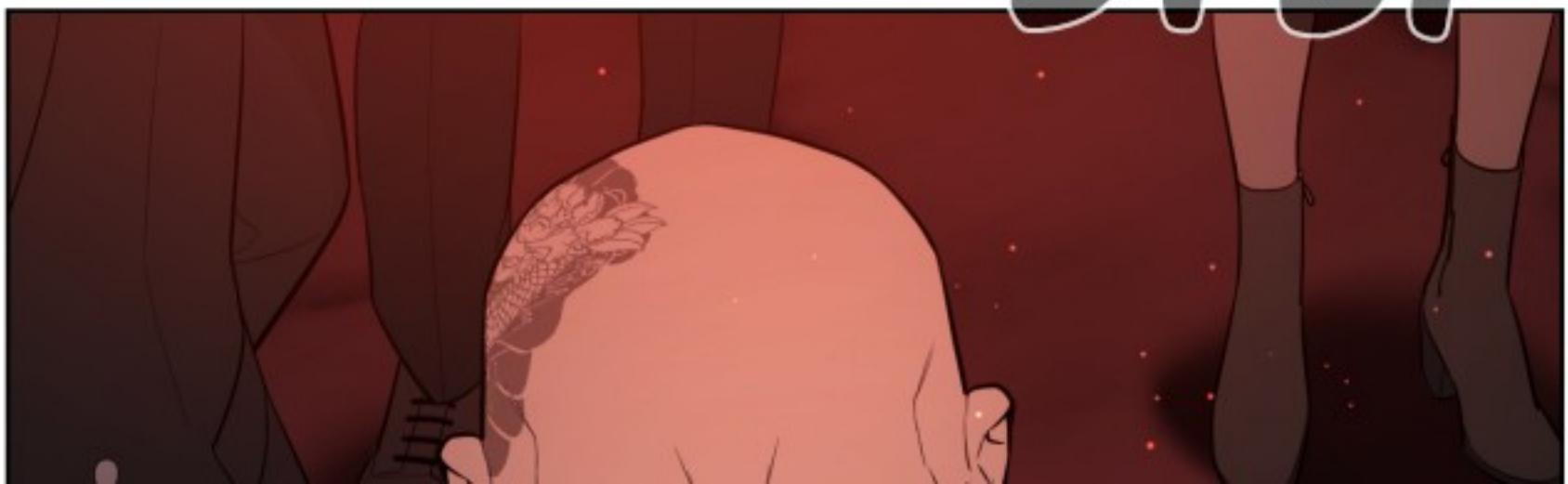
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VERY WELL.

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I UNDERSTAND
THE PREDICAMENT
YOU ARE IN.

STEP

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IF ANYBODY ELSE
WANTS TO BE AN
ANGEL OF DEATH,
SPEAK UP.



H-HOLY
SHIT.



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CHILL



CHILL

I'VE NEVER
SEEN ANYONE THIS
INTIMIDATING!



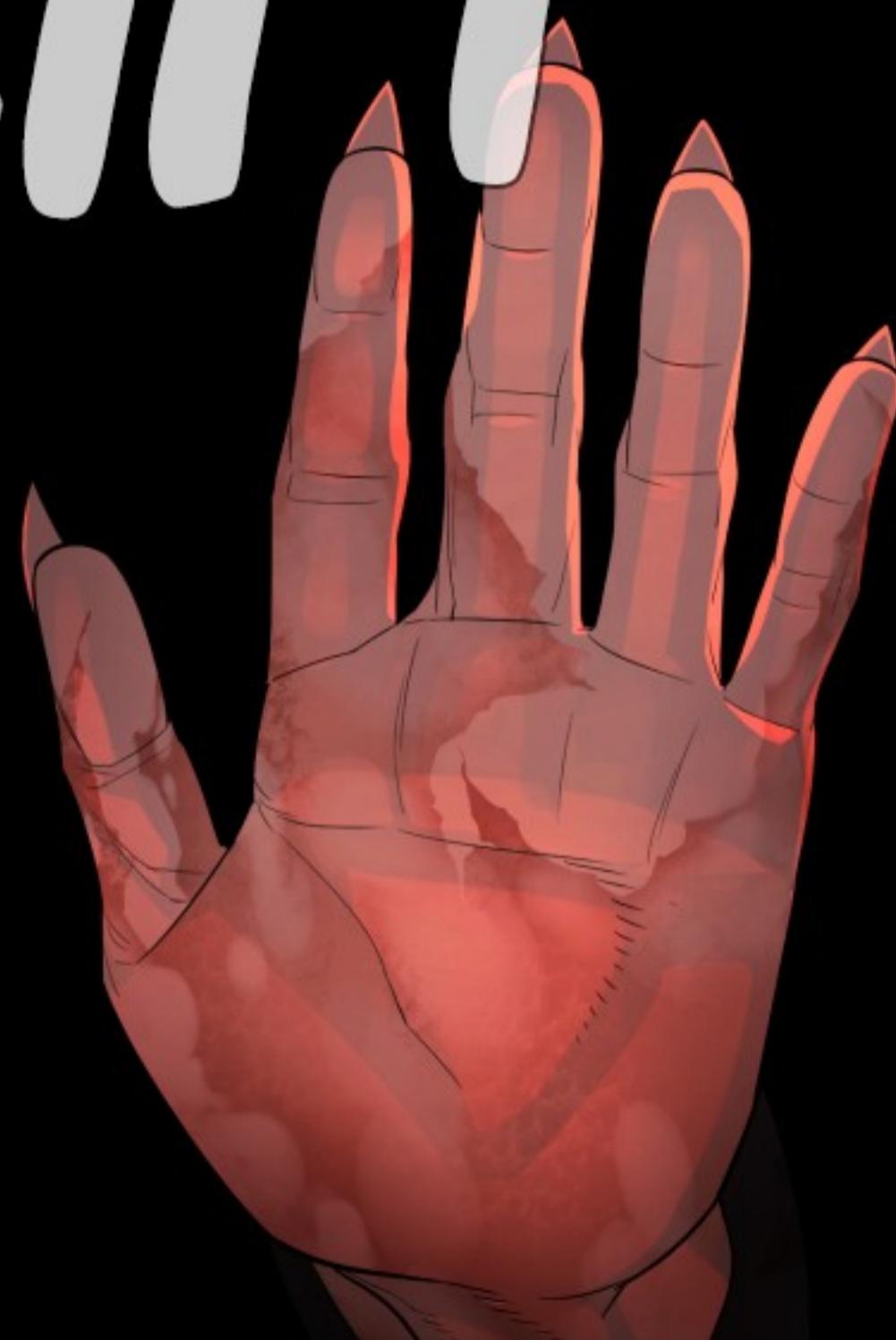
I'D LIKE
TO TAKE THIS
OPPORTUNITY!

SO WOULD
I!

HOW CAN WE
PROVE THAT WE'RE
WORTHY?

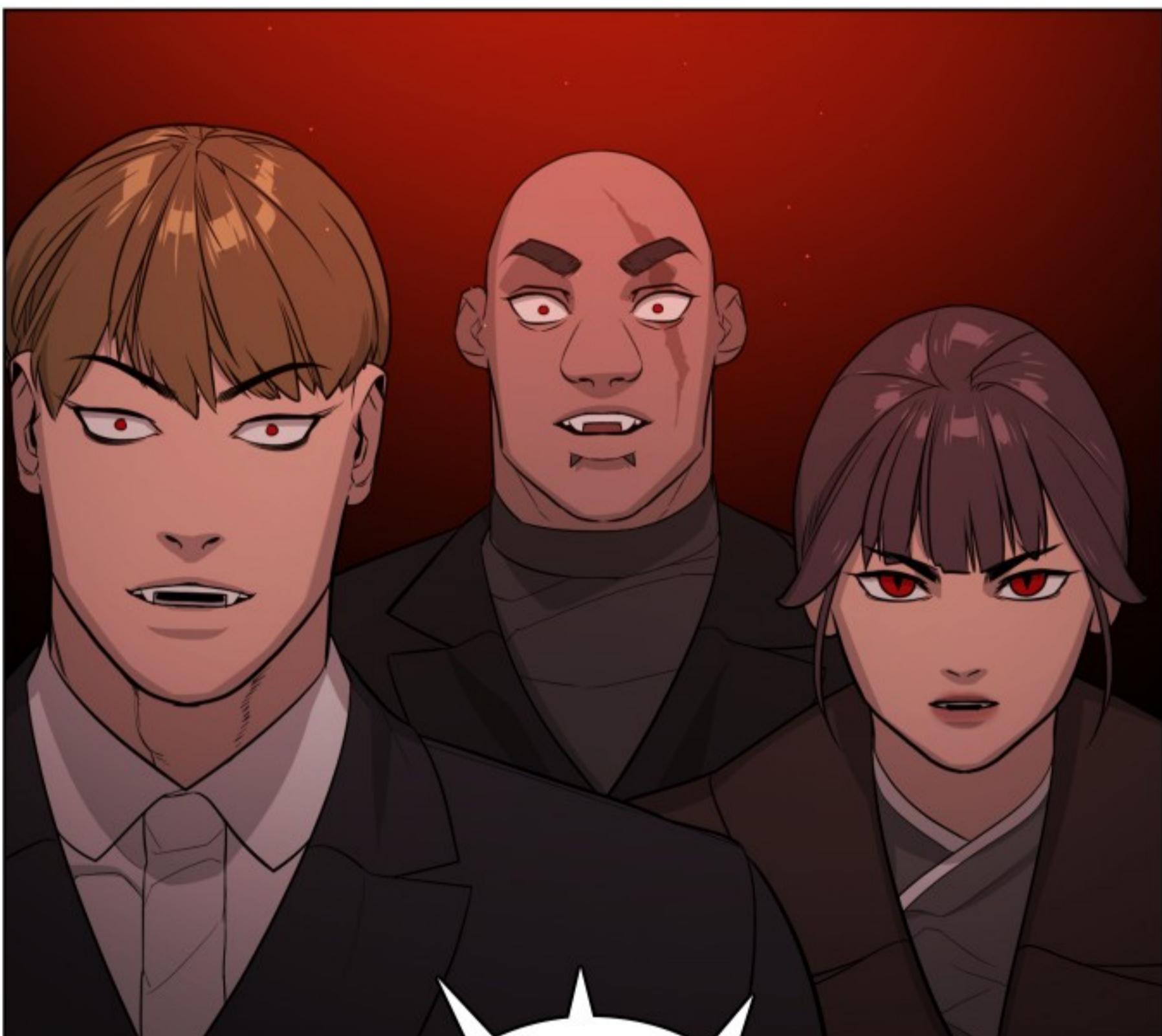
WORTHY?

LIFT





YOU DON'T
HAVE TO DO
ANYTHING.

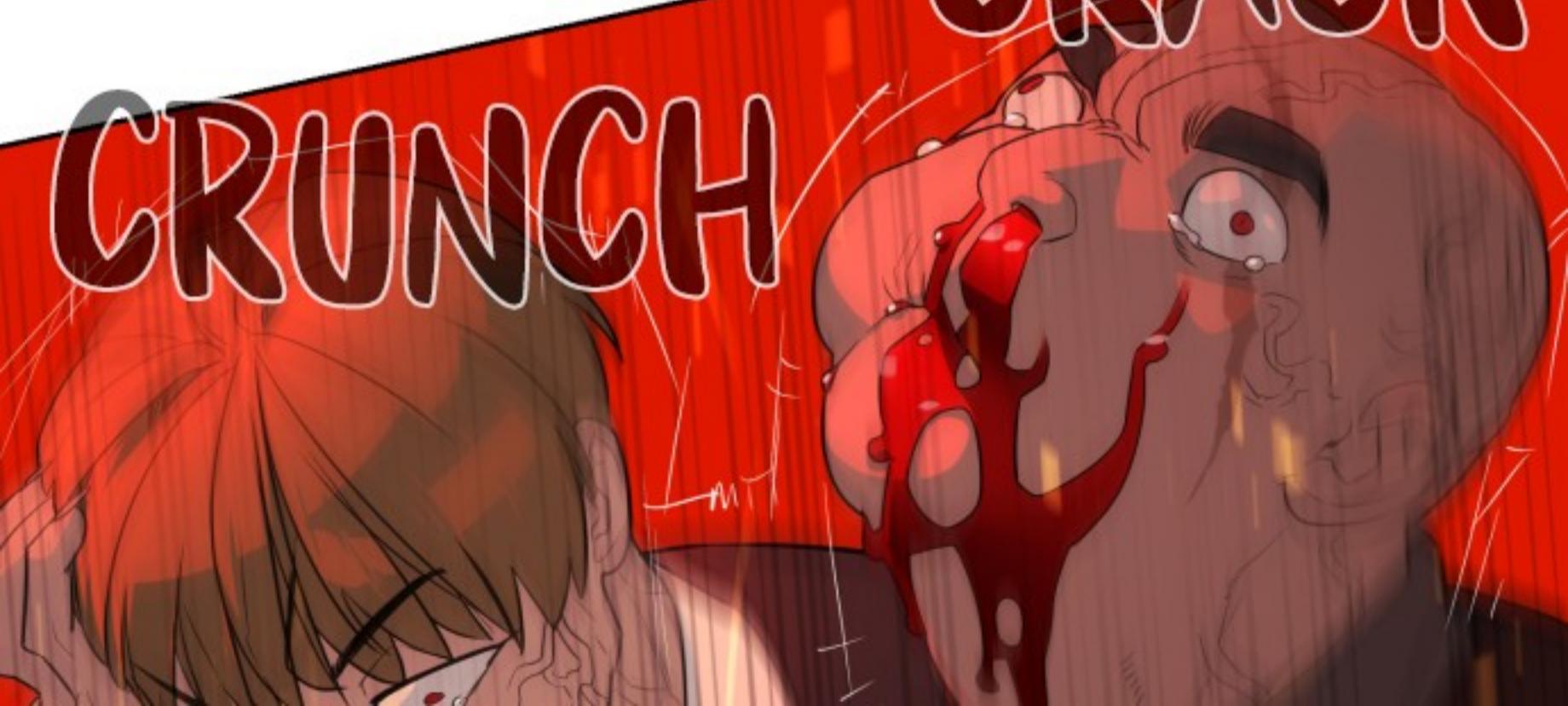


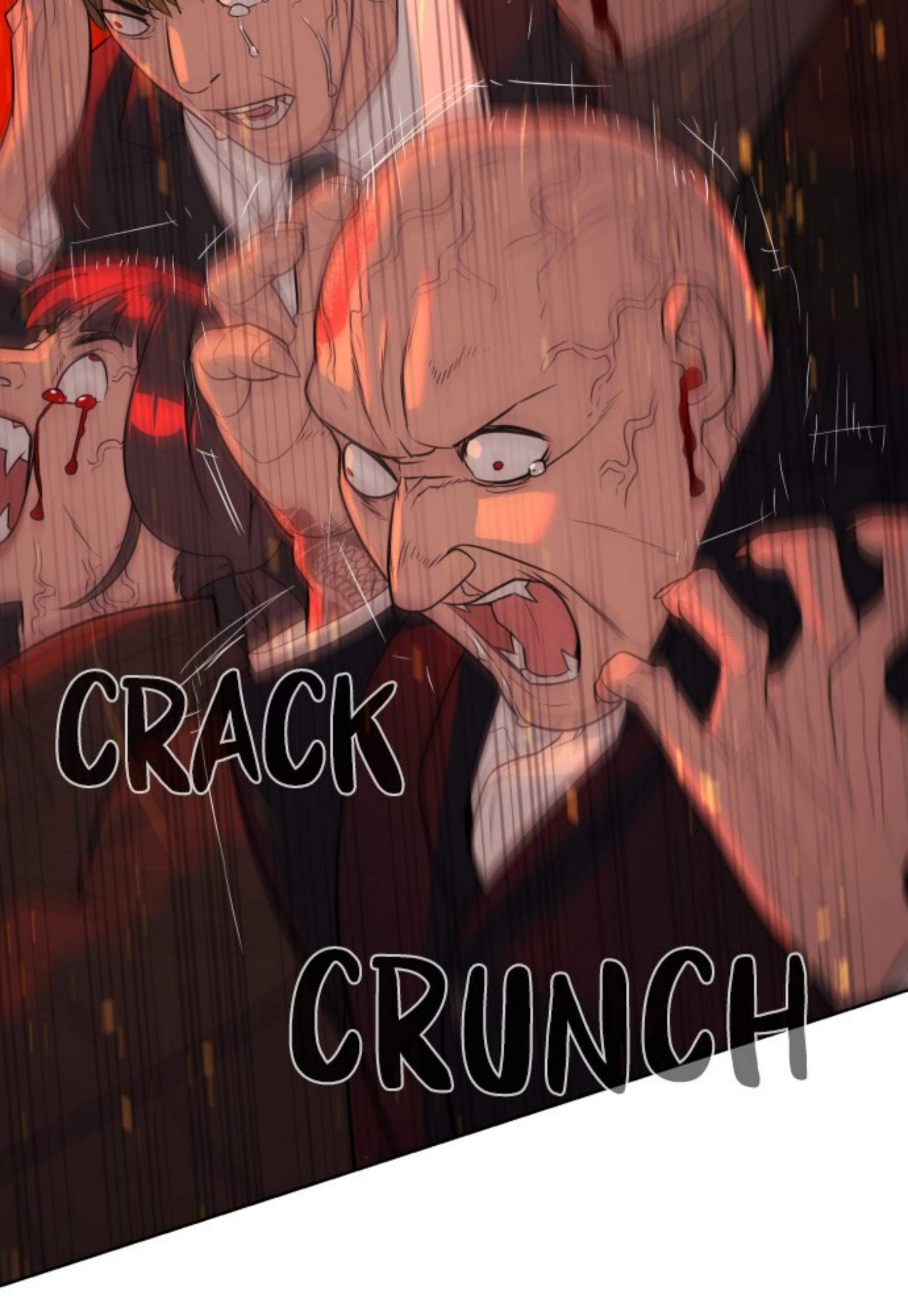
WHAT?

AAAHHHH!

CRACK

CRUNCH





CRACK

CRUNCH



P-PLEASE,
I DON'T WANT
TO DIE!

АИИИ!
АИИИИ!

CRUNCH

CRACK

AAAHHH!

CRACK

I-I CAN'T
STAND THE
PAIN!

SNAP



RIP

AARRGGHHH!

BANG







HOW DID HE
DO THAT?

MURMUR





MURMUR

HE KILLED
THEM WITHOUT
EVEN MOVING A
FINGER!

HOW
DISAPPOINTING.

FLAP



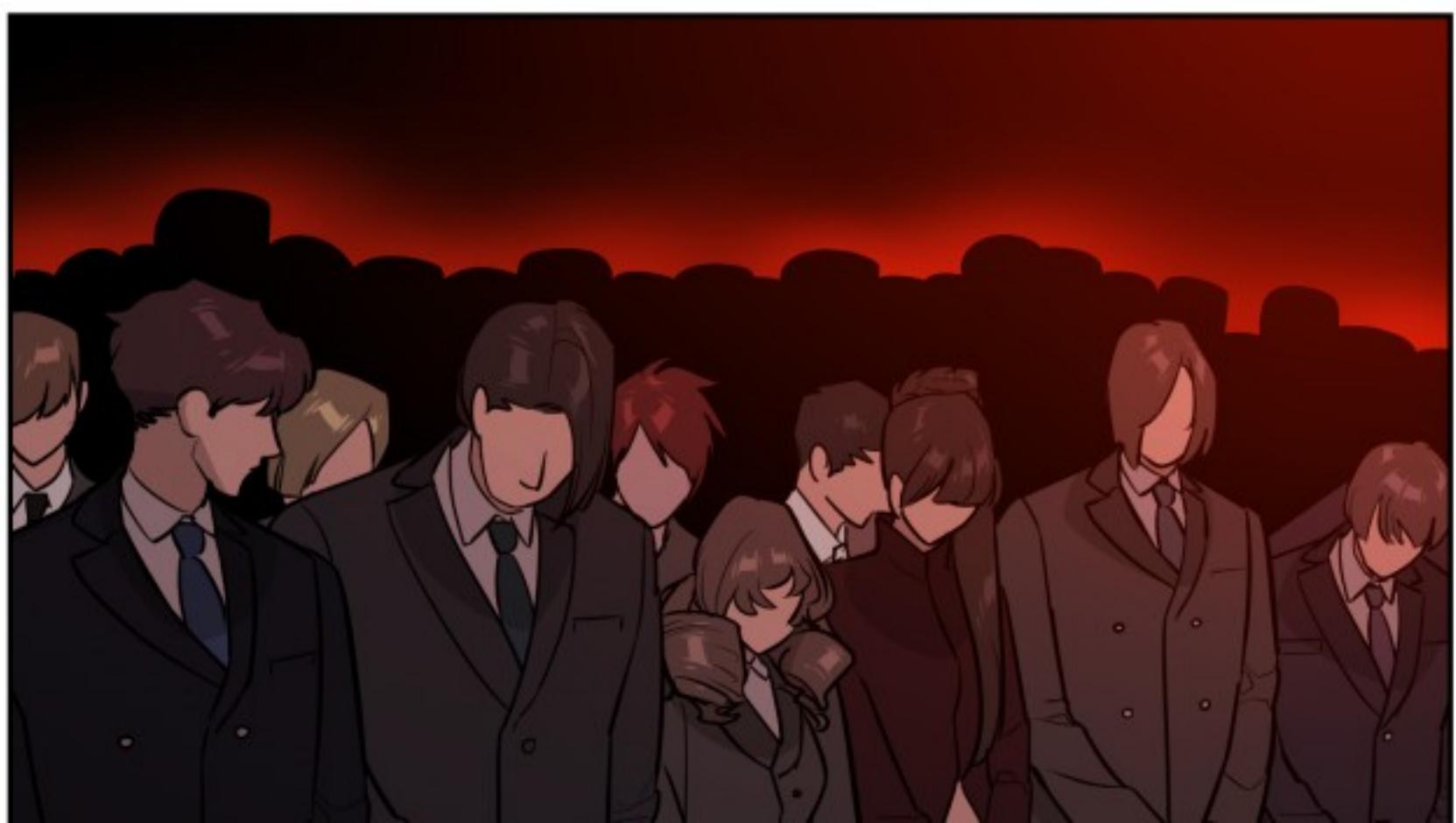
NONE OF THEM
WERE ABLE TO HOLD
OUT LONG ENOUGH TO
BE WORTHY OF
THAT POSITION.



TURN

DOES
ANYBODY ELSE WANT
TO BE AN ANGEL

TO BE AN ANGEL
OF DEATH?





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FUCKING
FOOLS.

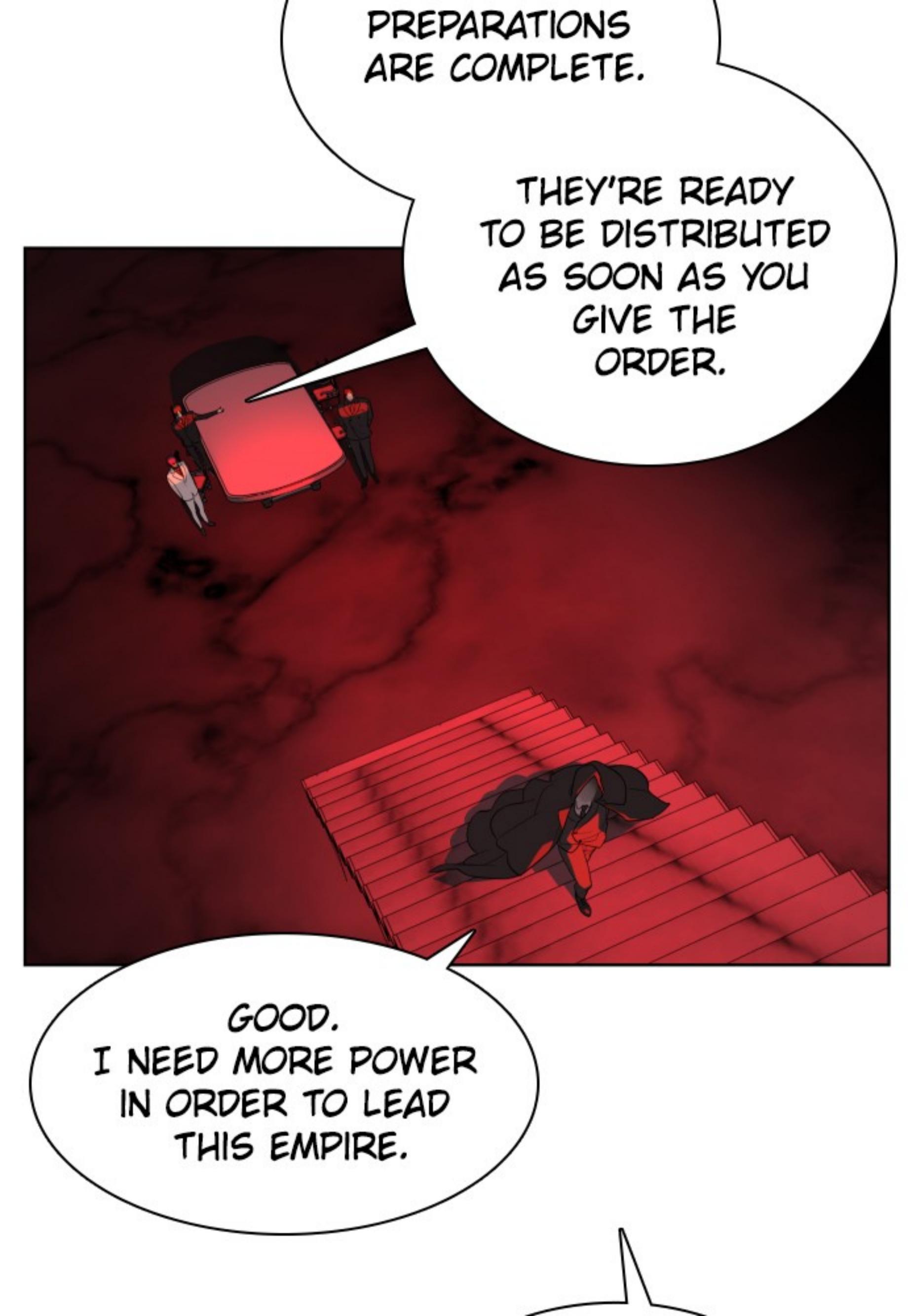




THEY SHOULD
HAVE JUST KEPT
THEIR HEADS
DOWN.

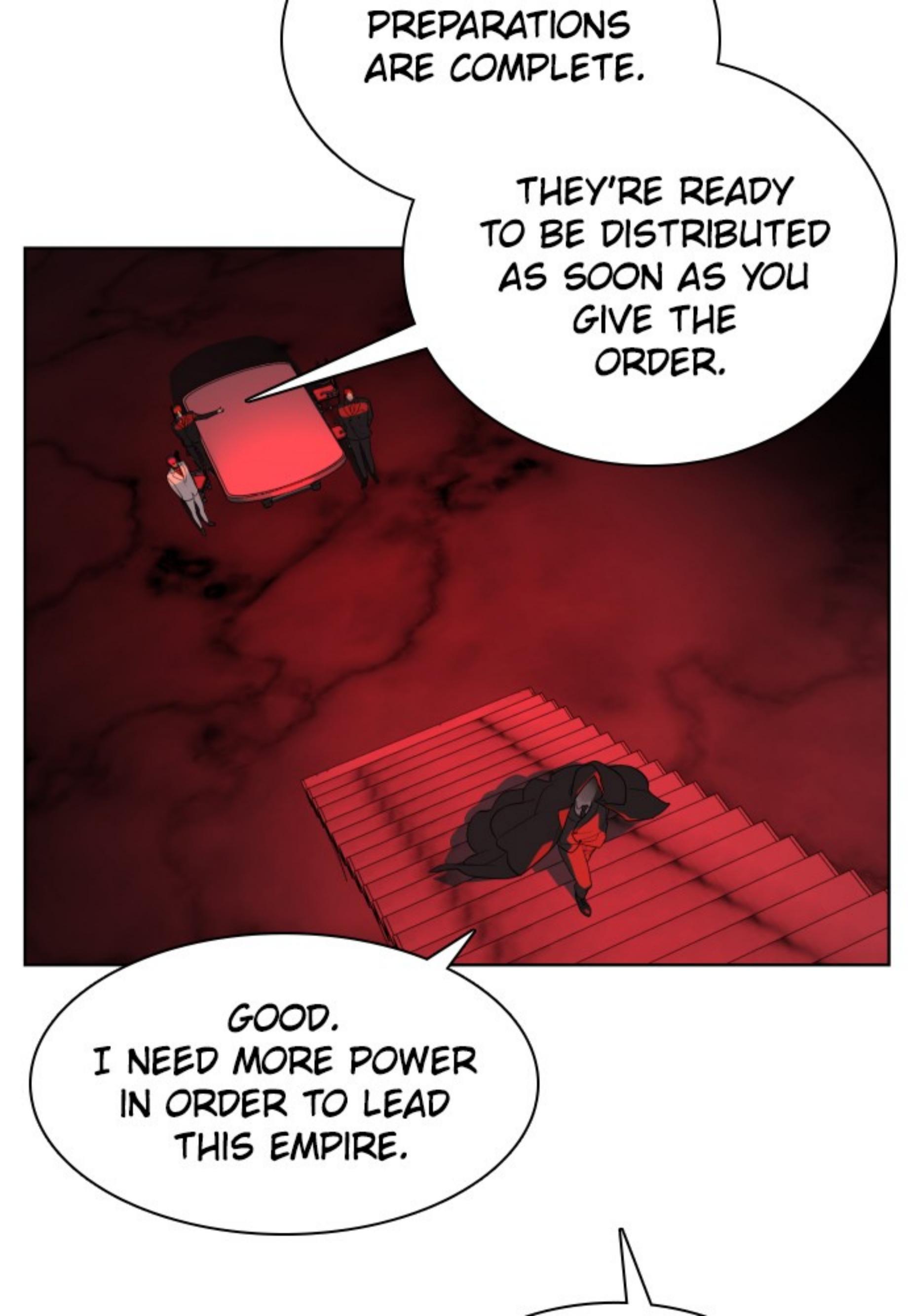
ARE THE
PREPARATIONS FOR
THE NEXT STEP
UNDERWAY?

ALL THE



PREPARATIONS
ARE COMPLETE.

THEY'RE READY
TO BE DISTRIBUTED
AS SOON AS YOU
GIVE THE
ORDER.



GOOD.
I NEED MORE POWER
IN ORDER TO LEAD
THIS EMPIRE.

YOU KNOW
WHAT I NEED,
DON'T YOU?





I'LL GO
NEVER HER

AFTER HER
THIS TIME.

ARE YOU SURE
YOU CAN DO IT?
YOU'VE SEEN HOW
POWERFUL THAT
PUREBLOOD IS.

I'M NOT
GOING IN WITHOUT
HAVING SOMETHING
UP MY SLEEVE.



YOU MIGHT
DIE, YOU KNOW.

I KNOW,
BUT IT'S WORTH
RISKING MY LIFE
FOR.



**BECAUSE IF
I PULL IT OFF, I'LL
BE GUARANTEED A
HANDSOME REWARD.**



YOU'RE TOO
GREEDY.

THAT'S
BETTER THAN
BEING A PERVERTED

ASSHAT LIKE
YOU.

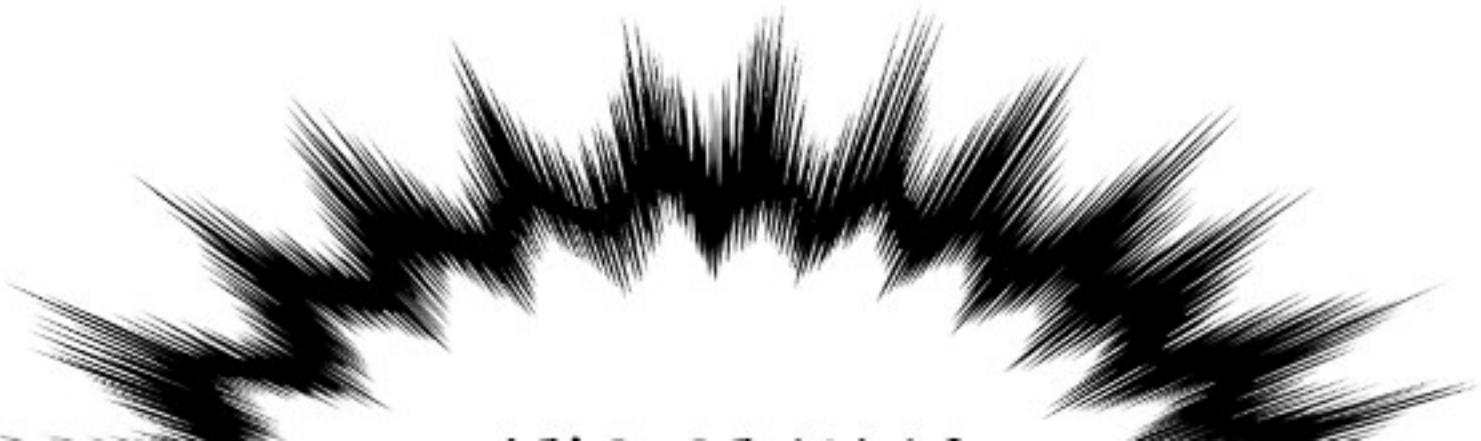
DO YOU KISS
YOUR MOTHER
WITH THAT
MOUTH?

THERE
YOU GO, BEING A
DOUCHE AGAIN.





BUT IT
JUST DOESN'T
ADD UP.



HE'S SENDING
US IN ONE BY ONE
TO GO AFTER THE
PUREBLOOD.

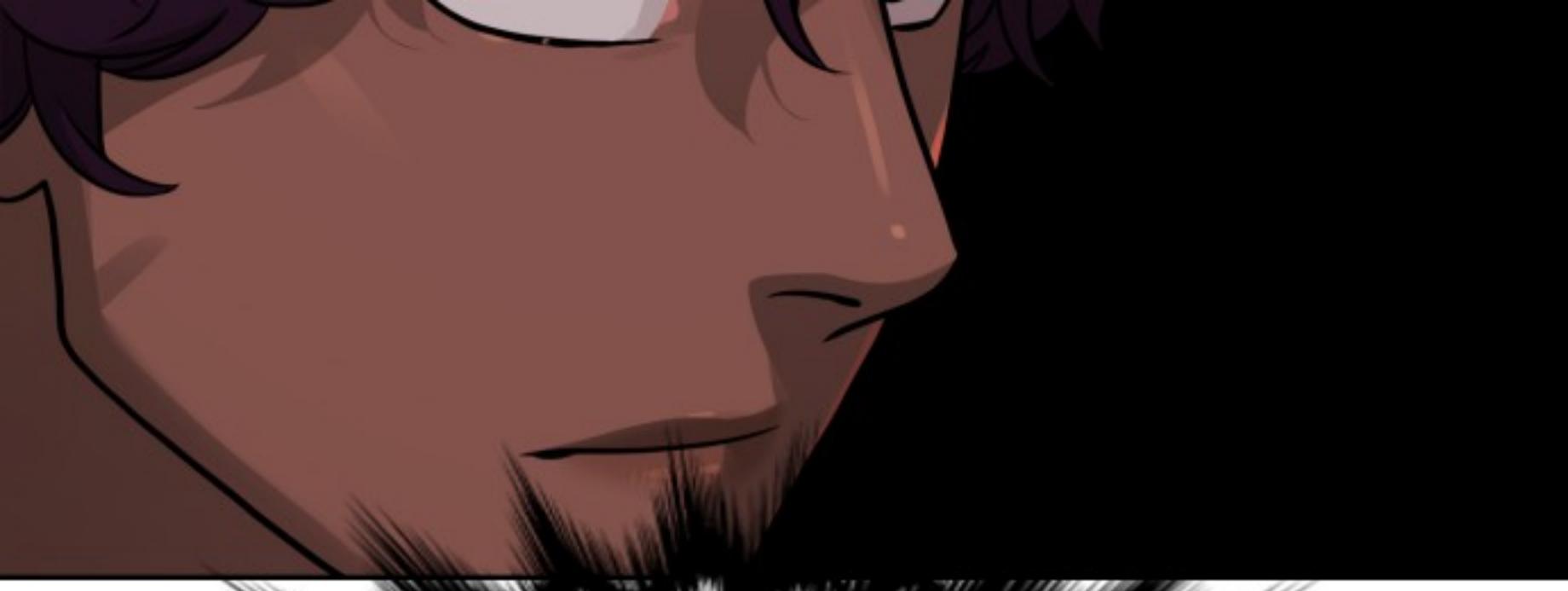


BUT EVERY TIME
SHE FIGHTS ONE OF US,
SHE REGAINS ANOTHER
ABILITY

ABILITY.

DOES HE
HAVE AN ULTERIOR
MOTIVE?

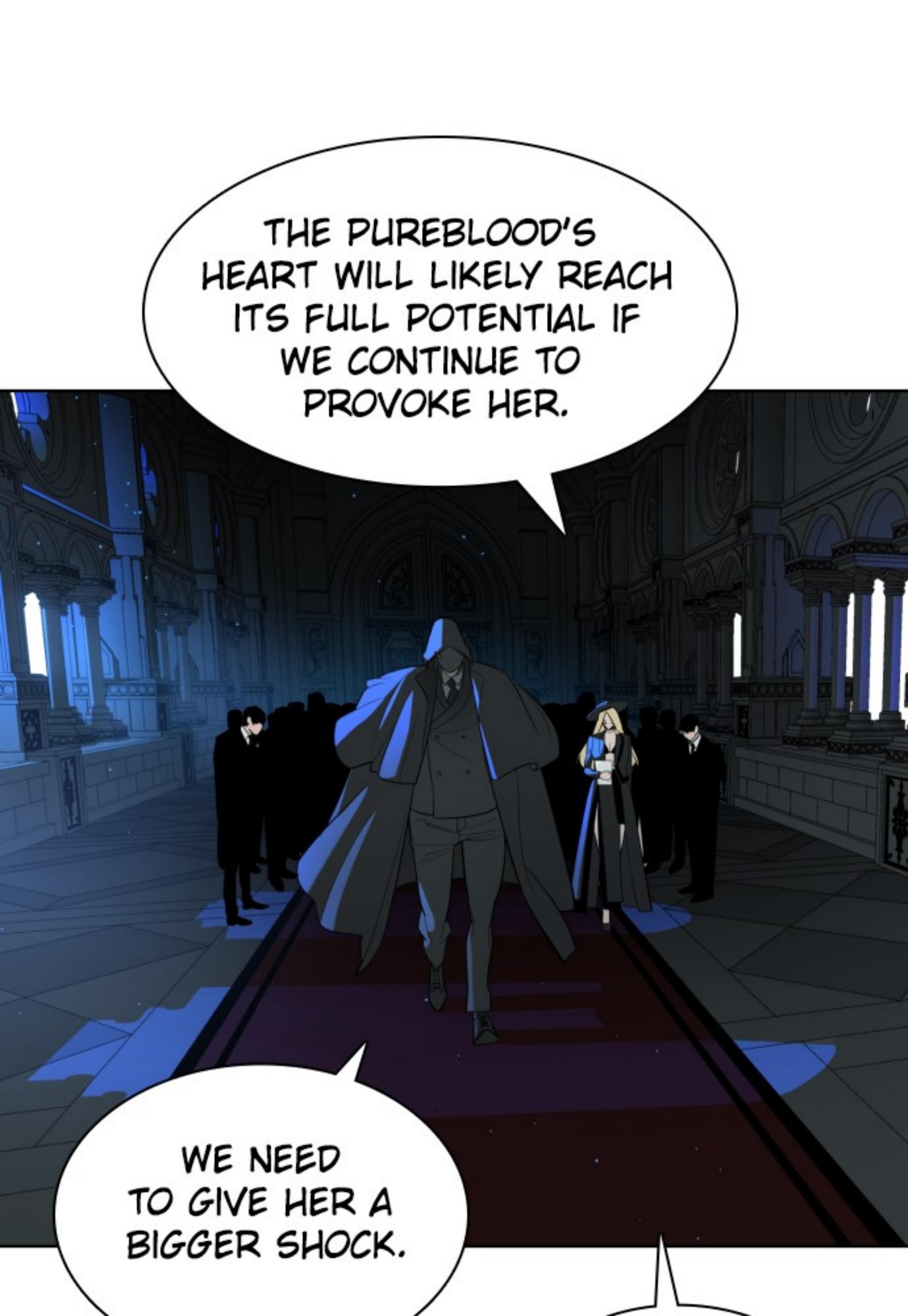




WELL, IT'S NOT
LIKE I GIVE A SHIT
AS LONG AS I GET
REWARDED
FOR IT.







THE PUREBLOOD'S
HEART WILL LIKELY REACH
ITS FULL POTENTIAL IF
WE CONTINUE TO
PROVOKE HER.

WE NEED
TO GIVE HER A
BIGGER SHOCK.

A BIGGER
ONE?

YES.



SUCH AS
SACRIFICING SOMEONE
SHE CHERISHES RIGHT
IN FRONT OF HER.

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POUR

IT DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE IT'LL
LET UP ANYTIME
SOON.



IT'S A SUDDEN
SHOWER SO I
THINK IT'LL PASS
QUICKLY.

LET'S JUST
WAIT A LITTLE
AND SEE.



WHAT'S AT THE
TOP OF YOUR BUCKET
LIST IF WE MANAGE TO
TURN THE WORLD BACK
TO NORMAL?

WHAT?
OH. UM...



DO YOU WANT TO
GO TO AN AMUSEMENT
PARK WITH YOUR SIBLINGS?
OR DO YOU WANT TO GO ON
A TRIP WITH FRIENDS FROM
YOUR COLLEGE?

OR DO YOU
WANT TO GO
TRAVELING?

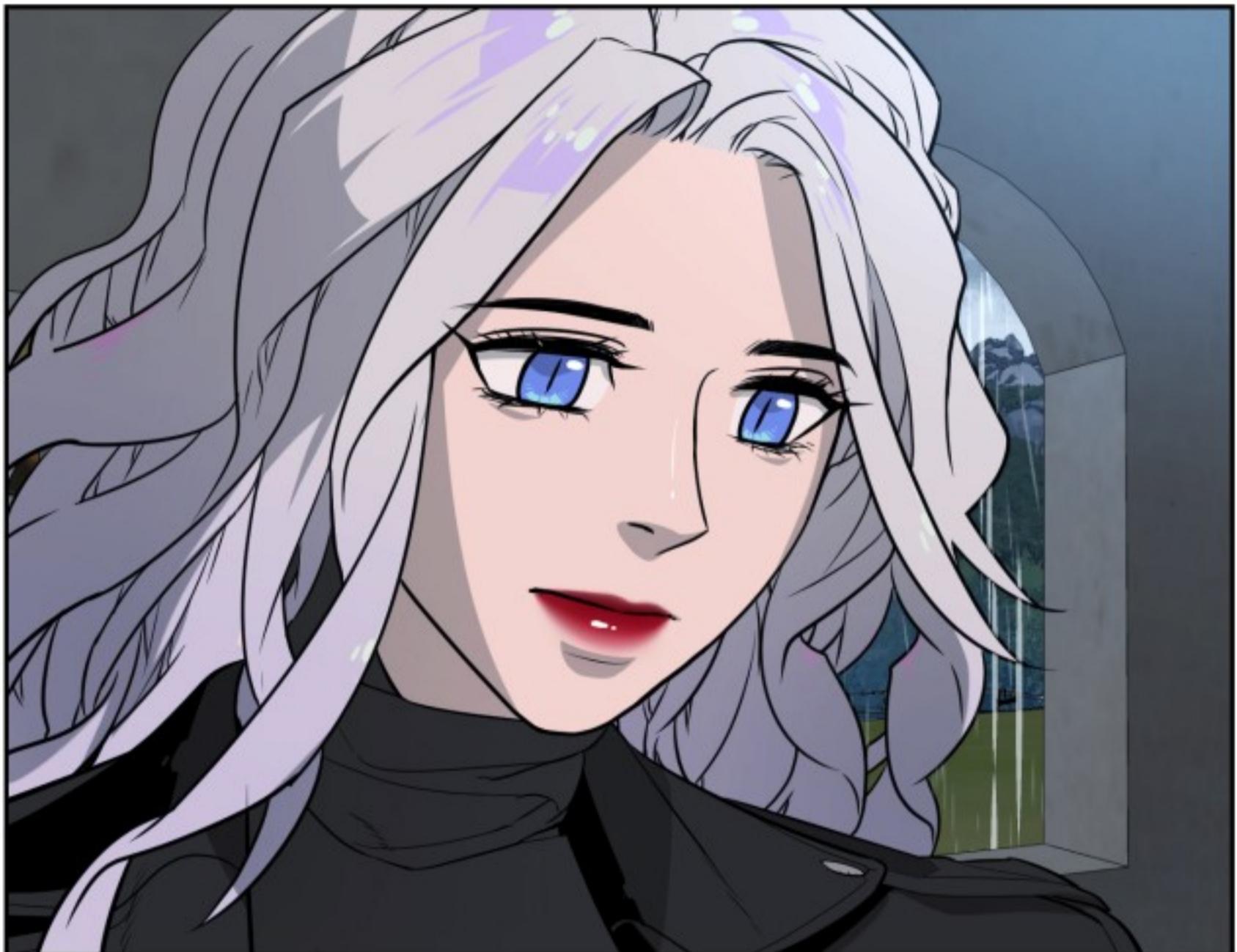




UM, WELL...

TO BE HONEST, I HADN'T
THOUGHT ABOUT IT AT ALL!

I THOUGHT ABOUT IT AT ALL.



FOR ONE THING,
I DIDN'T HAVE ANY TIME TO DAYDREAM
ABOUT STUFF LIKE THAT EVER SINCE
I STARTED GOING AFTER THE
ANGELS OF DEATH.

AND FOR ANOTHER,
I'M NOT SURE IF I HAVE THE RIGHT
TO DREAM OF A HAPPY FUTURE
LIKE THAT.



I'M NOT
SURE

SURE.

I'LL PROBABLY
THINK OF SOMETHING
SOMEDAY.

WATCH
OUT!



DARN IT,

DARN IT,

DIDN'T I TELL
YOU NOT TO GRAB
ME THERE?

SPLASH



SORRY, SORRY.
I THOUGHT THEY
WERE HANDLES.

DIRTY OLD
GEEZER.

PHEW,
I THOUGHT THERE
WAS A VAMPIRE
OR SOMETHING.



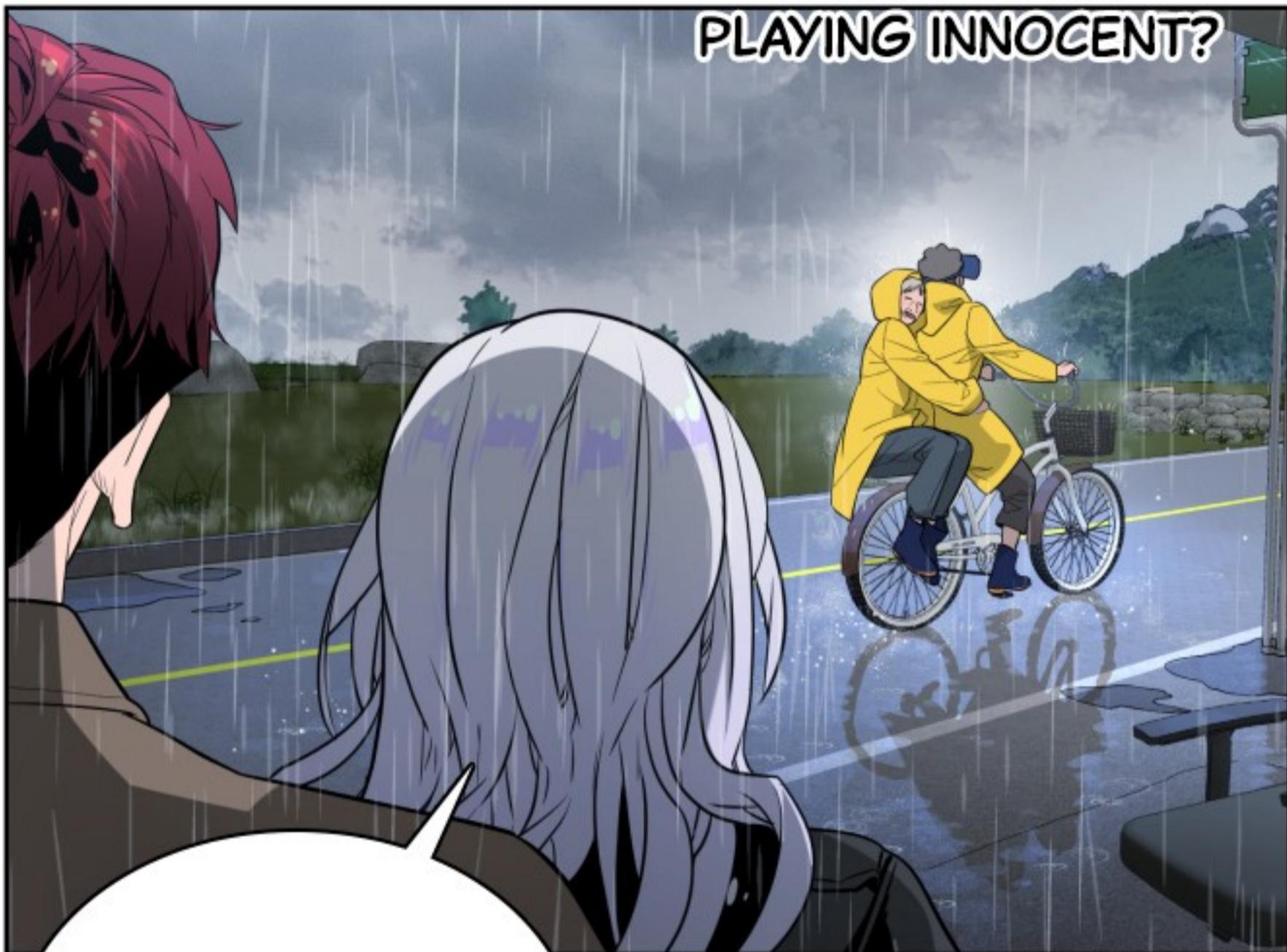


WHY DON'T WE
TEST THE MATTRESS
TONIGHT, IF YOU KNOW
WHAT I MEAN?

LOOK AT
THIS OLD FART.
DO YOU REALLY
WANT TO HAVE
AT IT?

HAVE AT
WHAT?

NOW YOU'RE
PLAYING INNOCENT?



WHAT A
CUTE COUPLE.

IT'D BE NICE
IF EVERYONE WAS
LIKE THAT AT THEIR
AGE.

WHAT?
DID I HEAR THAT
RIGHT?

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN? DON'T
YOU THINK IT'S CUTE
THAT THEY'RE RIDING
A BIKE TOGETHER?

OHH,
SO THAT'S WHAT
YOU MEANT.



?

OH,
I'VE THOUGHT OF
SOMETHING TO LOOK
FORWARD TO WHEN THINGS
GO BACK TO THE WAY
THEY USED TO BE.





I'M NOT LOOKING
FORWARD TO DOING
ANYTHING IN
PARTICULAR.



I JUST WANT TO
GET THINGS BACK TO NORMAL
AS FAST AS I CAN SO I CAN SHOW
MY BROTHER AND SISTER A WORLD
THEY HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO
SEE BECAUSE THEY WERE
BORN INTO THIS ONE.





WHAT ABOUT
YOU?

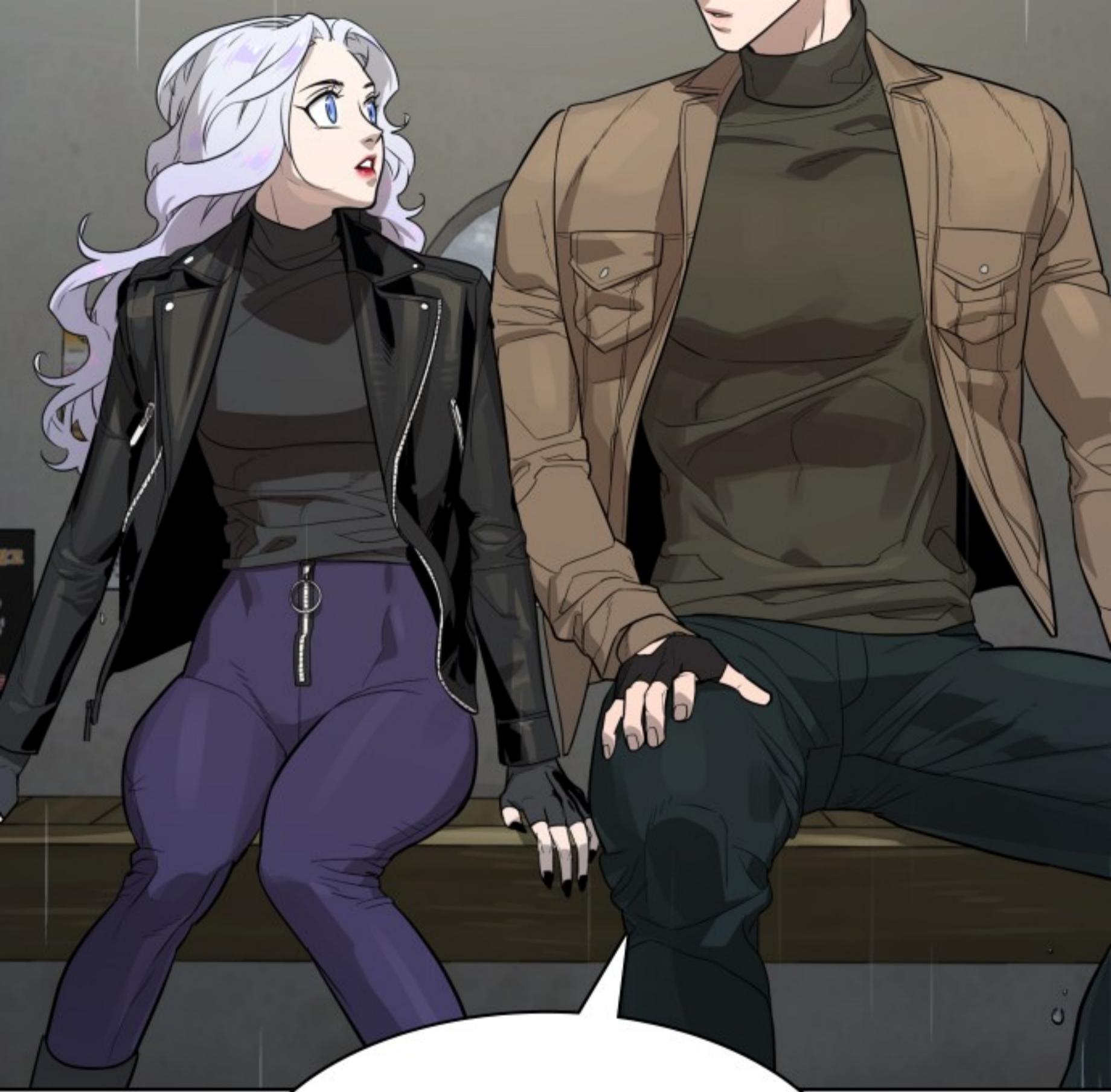


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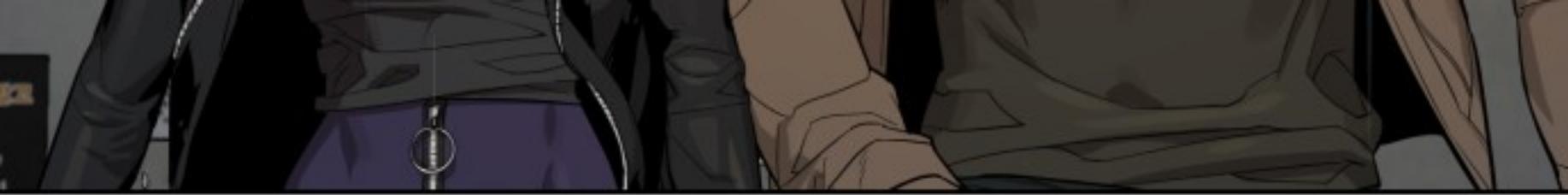
I WOULD ALSO
LIKE TO BE ABLE
TO DO THAT.





I'D LIKE TO
SHOW YOU THE WORLD
AS IT SHOULD BE.







WAIT, WHAT?

THAT CAME
OUT WRONG!
I MEANT, UH....!

IT'S, UH,
BECAUSE YOUR
EYESIGHT MIGHT
MAKE IT HARD
TO SEE!

I HAVE
20/20 VISION...

THAT'S
INCREDIBLE...

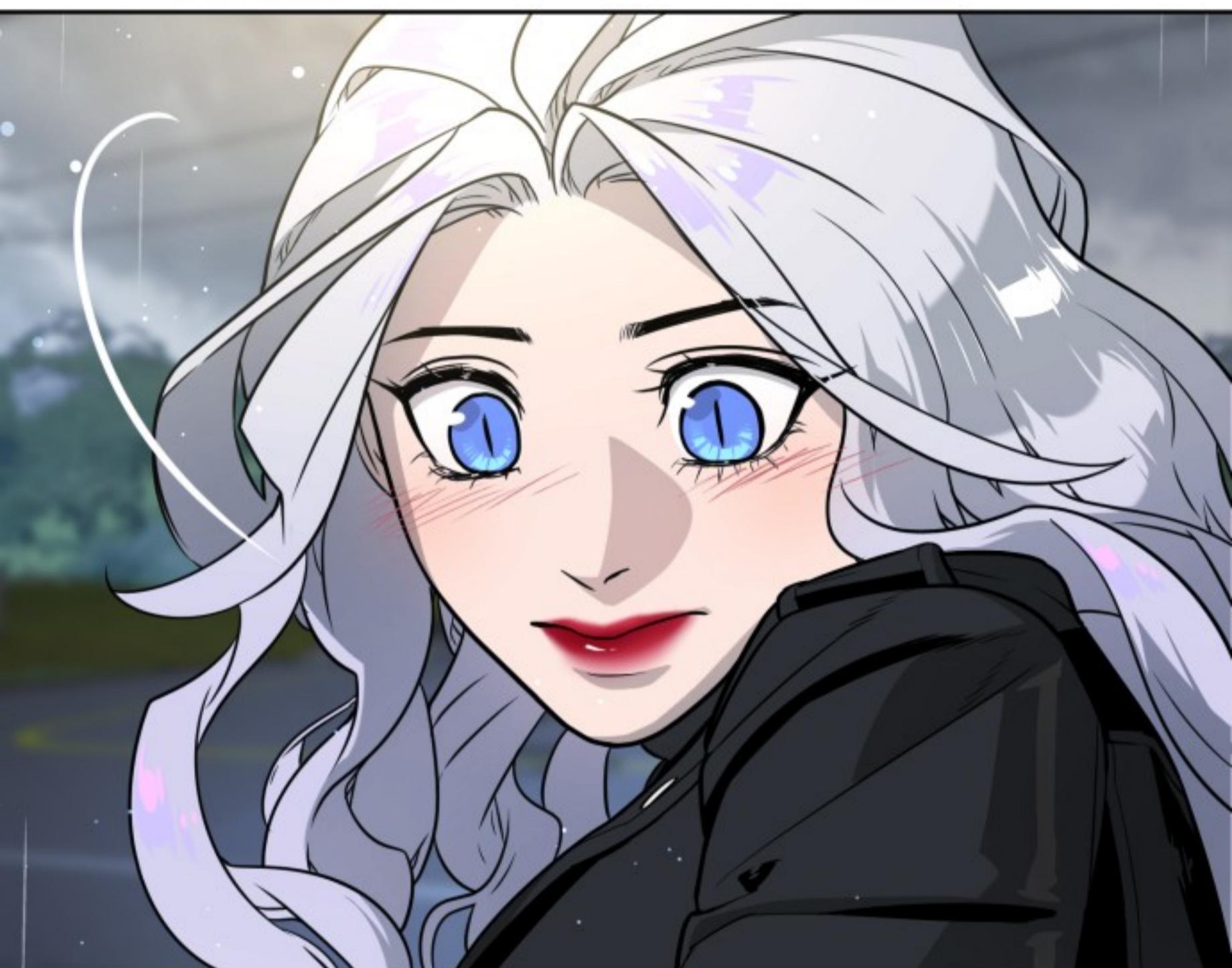
YOU KNOW WHAT?
I JUST REALIZED THAT
I HAVEN'T EVEN HAD ONE
CIGARETTE TODAY. WHERE'S
THE SMOKING AREA?





HAHA, DETECTIVE.
SOMETIMES YOU'RE
TOO FUNNY.

WHAT WAS THAT?
I MUST HAVE HEARD HIM
WRONG, RIGHT?



YEAH. THERE'S NO WAY
THE DETECTIVE WOULD THINK
THAT WAY ABOUT ME.

WAIT A MINUTE.
WHY AM I THINKING ABOUT THIS?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?



IT'S NOT
RAINING ANYMORE.





WHY DON'T WE
GET GOING?

RATTLE

MY BIKE
DOESN'T SOUND
RIGHT.

THAT BIKE'S BEEN
PRETTY TEMPERAMENTAL
RECENTLY. IT'S PROBABLY
BECAUSE IT'S GETTING
A LITTLE OLD.

WE'LL HAVE TO FIND
A REPAIR SHOP WHEN
WE GET TO OUR
DESTINATION.

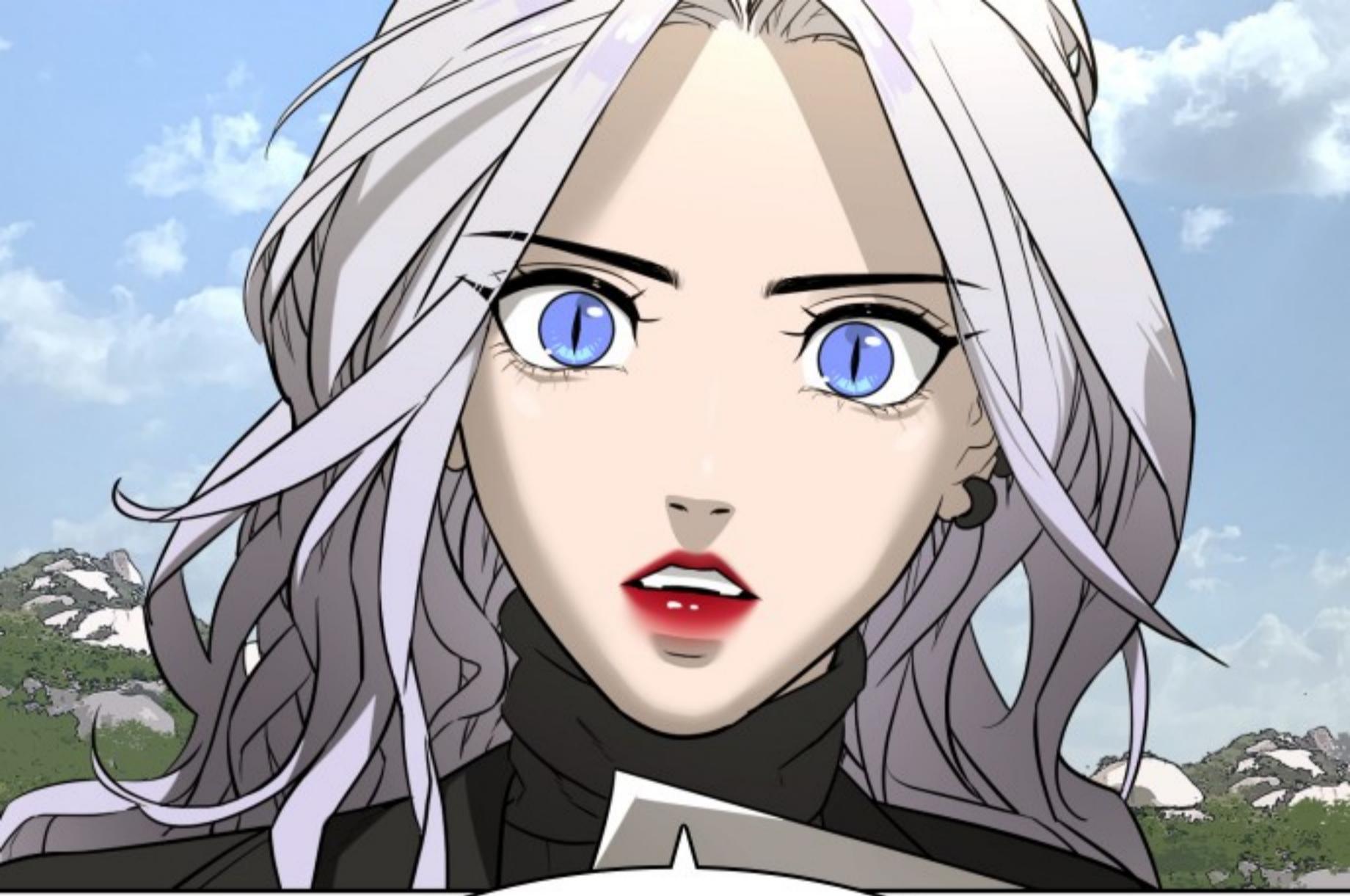
BY THE WAY,
WHY ARE YOU
LOOKING FOR
THIS GUY?



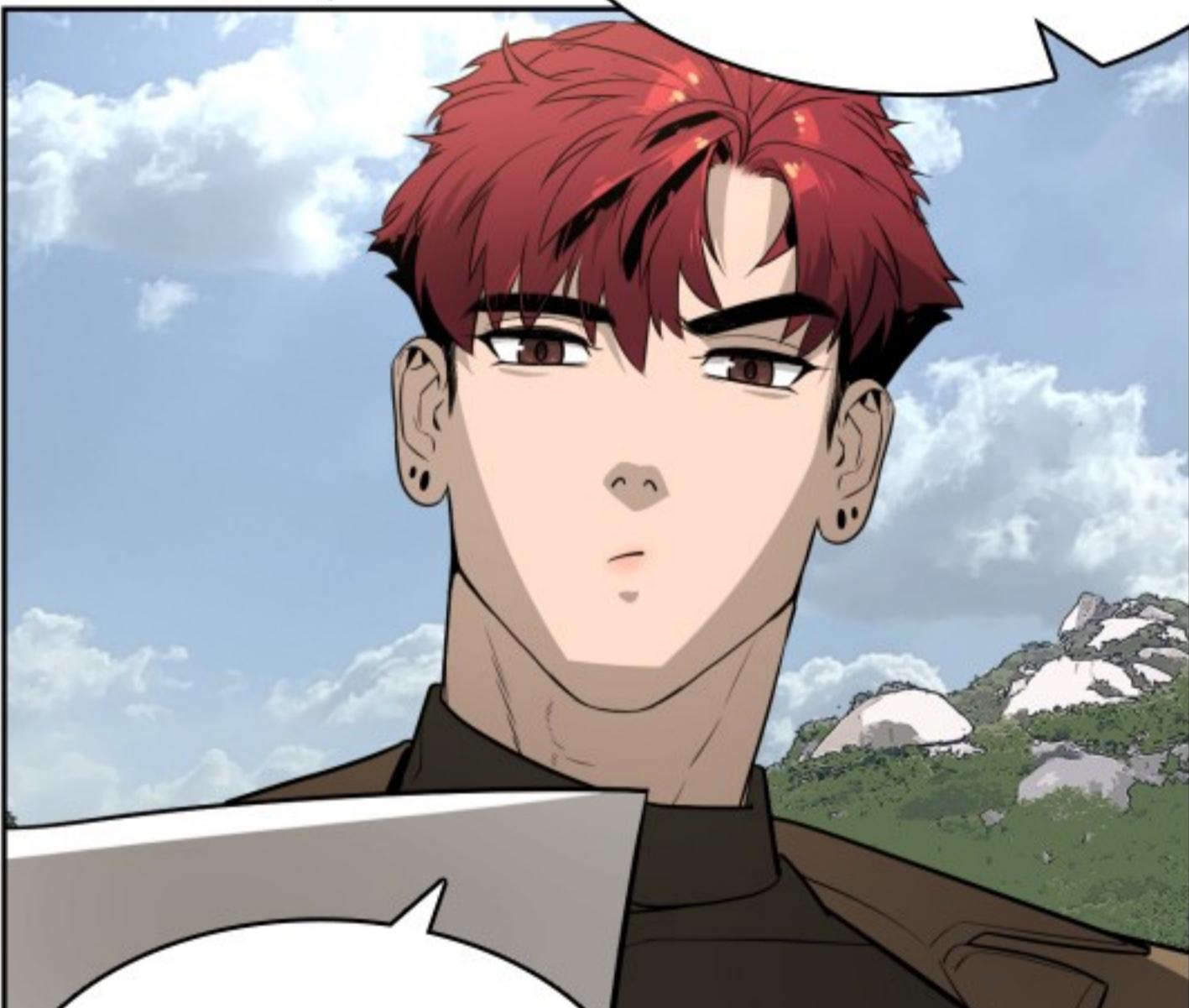
THE MOUNTAINS. HIS EFFORTS HAVE
HELPED TO GIVE THE VILLAGERS A
NEW LEASE ON LIFE.

HE HAS
THE SAME NAME
AS SOMEONE FROM
MY CHILDHOOD
MEMORIES.

AND THEY
LOOK ALIKE.



I THINK I'LL BE
ABLE TO RECOVER SOME
OF MY MEMORIES IF I
MEET HIM.



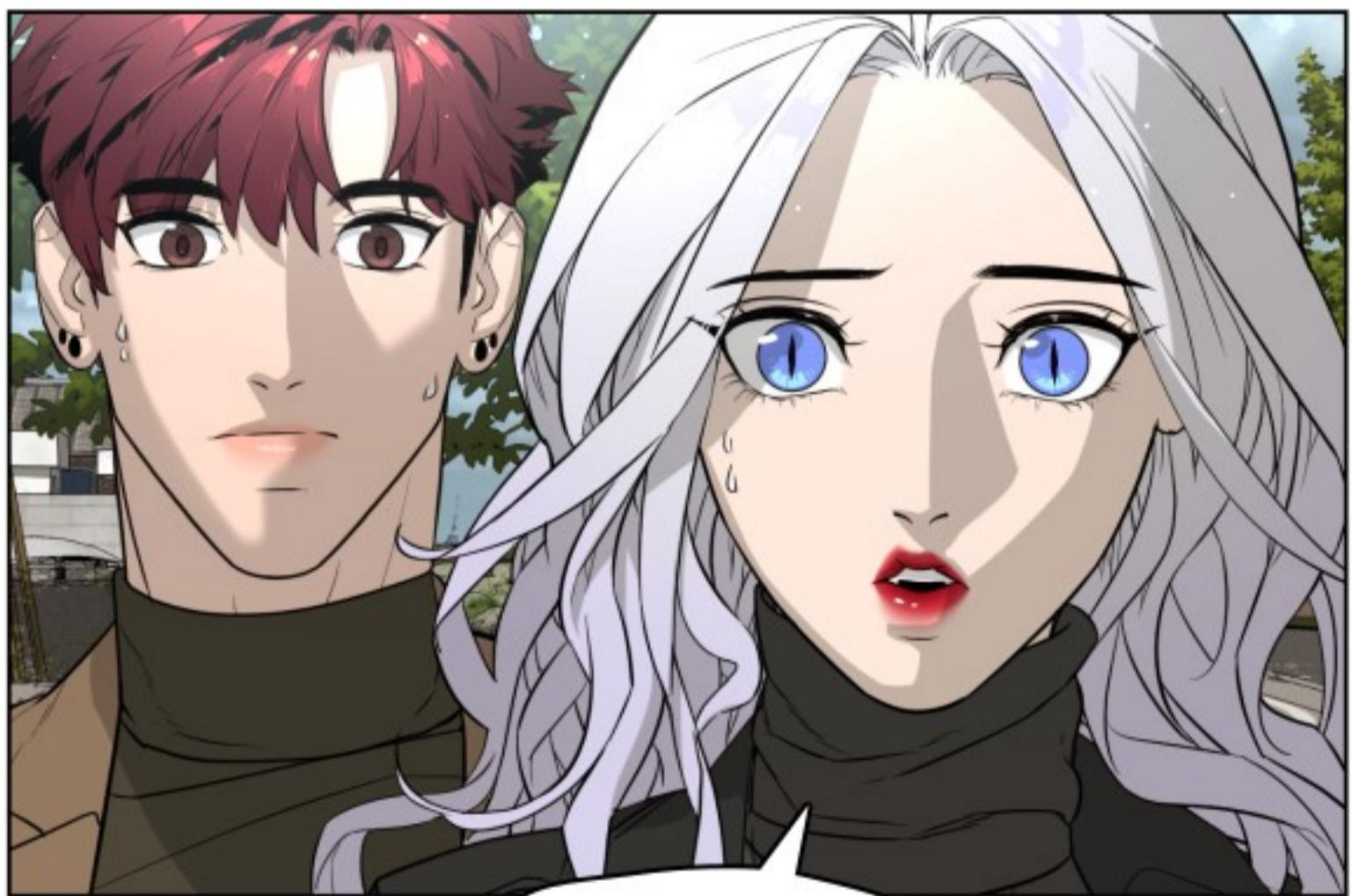
HMM...

WHAT'S WRONG?
ARE YOU NOT FEELING
WELL?

I'M FINE.
IT'S NOTHING.

THEN LET'S
START LOOKING
FOR HIM.





UM... SO...



WHAT DO YOU
WANT WITH MY
HUSBAND?

GRRRRR.

HUSBAND?
THIS MAN IS YOUR
HUSBAND?

ARE YOU
TRYING TO STEAL
MY MAN?



S-STEAL?
NO, NOT AT ALL...

LISTEN,
JUST YESTERDAY
I HAD A NICE MEAL WITH
MY HUSBAND, YOU HEAR?!
AND WE EVEN WENT TO
THE SALINA TOGETHER!
SO THERE!

I DON'T THINK
THAT'S WHO YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR.

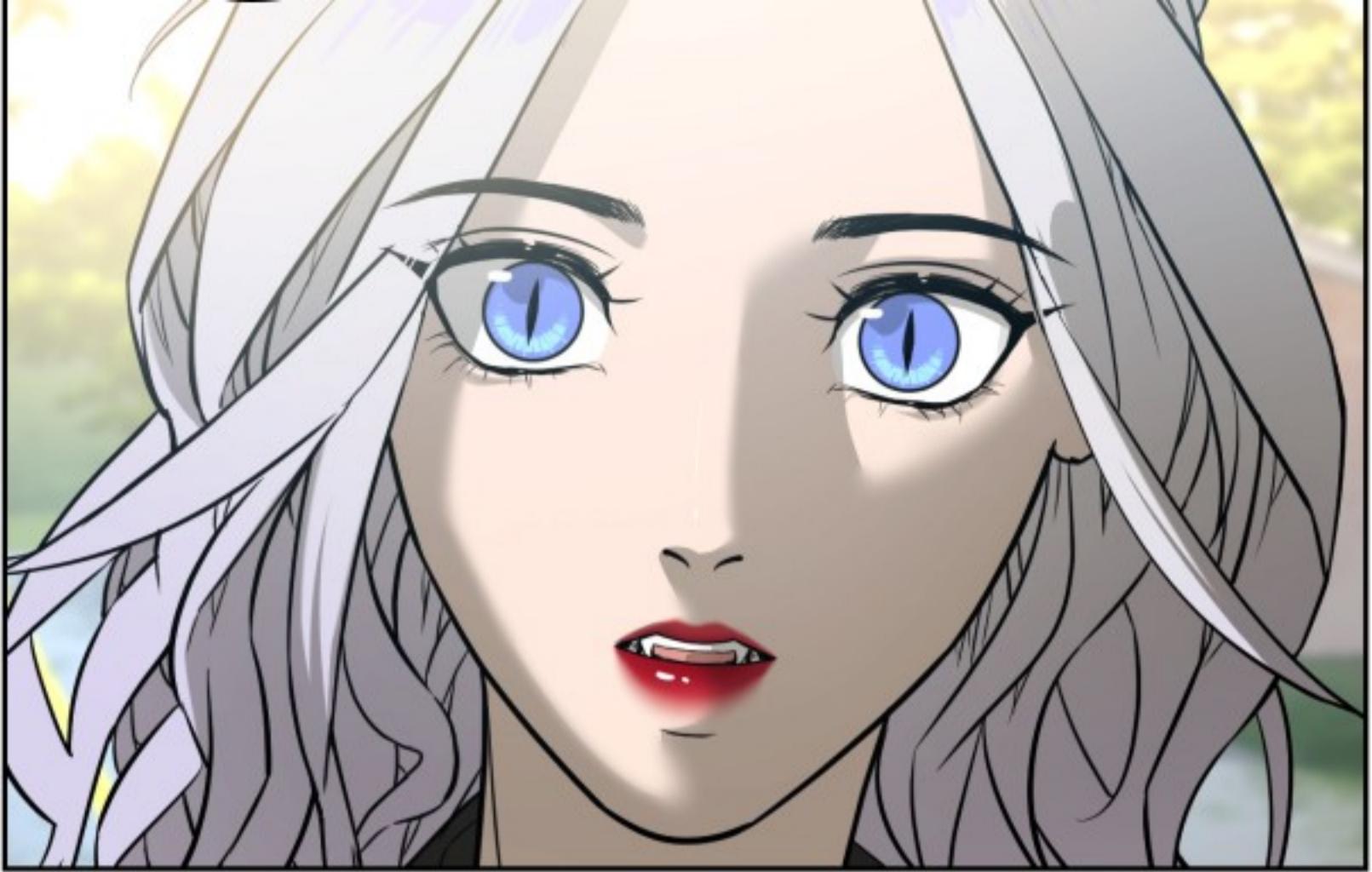




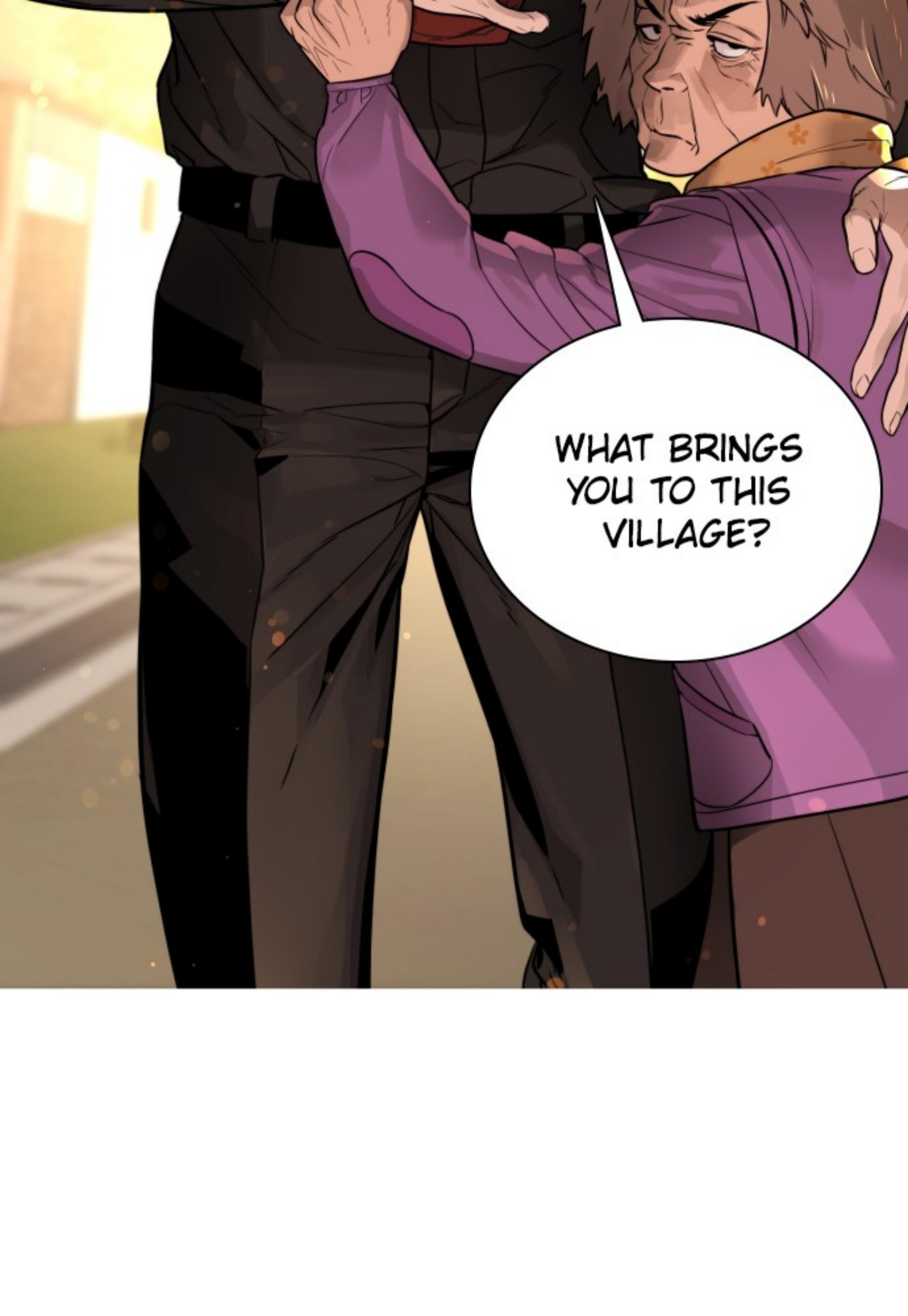
UM... THEN
LET'S JUST HEAD TO
THE PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPANY SINCE WE
DON'T HAVE
MUCH TIME.

THERE YOU
ARE, HONEY!

WHAT TOOK
YOU SO LONG?







WHAT BRINGS
YOU TO THIS
VILLAGE?

UNHOLY BLOOD

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