

The Avengers - Sample

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EXT. MOUNTAIN LEDGE - NIGHT

Somewhere out in the European mountains, THOR throws LOKI into the side of the mountain. He raises the mighty hammer, MJÖLNIR. He looks down at his brother, who he thought to be dead and is angry to see him alive in this fashion.

THOR

Where is the Tesseract?

LOKI

(laughs)

I missed you too.

THOR

Do I look to be in a gaming mood?!

LOKI

Oh, you should thank me. With the Bifrost gone how much dark energy did the Allfather have to muster to conjure you here? Your precious Earth.

THOR drops MJÖLNIR, causing the mountain to quake. He picks up LOKI. His brother. Although THOR is pissed for what he has done, a family is everything to a man or god.

THOR

I thought you dead.

LOKI

Did you mourn?

THOR

We all did. Our father...

LOKI

Your father. He did tell you my true parentage, did he not?

THOR lets go LOKI, who walks away from THOR, causing an even bigger wedge between them.

THOR

We were raised together, we played together, we fought together. Do you remember none of that?

LOKI

(turns around)

I remember a shadow. Living in the shade of your greatness. I remember you tossing me into an abyss. I was and should be king!

THOR

So you take the world I love as recompense for your imagined slights. No, the Earth is under my protection, Loki.

LOKI

(laughs)

And you're doing a marvelous job with that. The humans slaughter each other in droves, while you idly threat. I mean to rule them. And why should I not?

THOR

You think yourself above them.

LOKI

Well, yes.

THOR

Then you miss the truth of ruling, brother. Throne would suit you ill.

Angrily, LOKI shoves his brother to the side. He walks back up to the ledge. Turns around.

LOKI

I've seen worlds you've never known about! I have grown, Odinson, in my exile! I have seen the true power of the Tesseract, and when I wield it...

THOR

Who showed you this power? Who controls the would-be-king?

LOKI

I am a king!

THOR

Not here! You give up the Tesseract! You give up this poisonous dream! You come home.

LOKI

I don't have it. You need the cube
to bring me home, but I've sent it
off I know not where.

Mjölnir flies back to his grasp.

THOR

You listen well, brother. I...

THOR IS KNOCKED OFF THE MOUNTAIN BY IRON MAN WHO TACKLES HIM IN
MID-FLIGHT.

LOKI

I'm listening.