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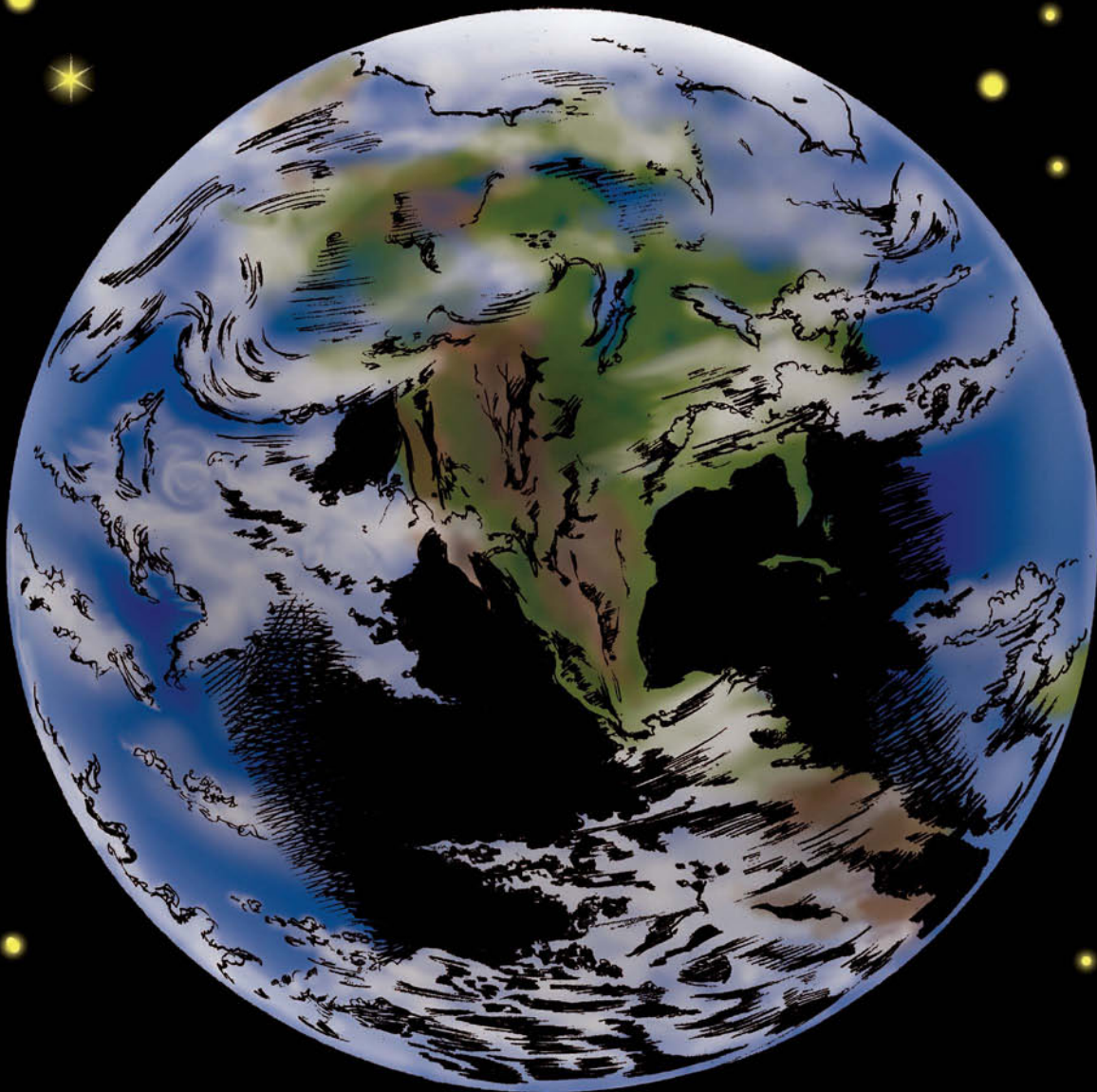


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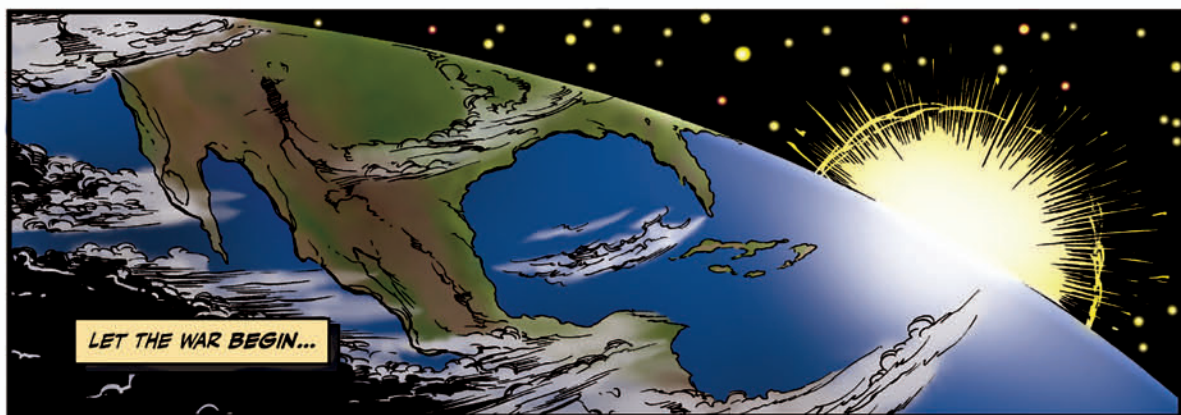
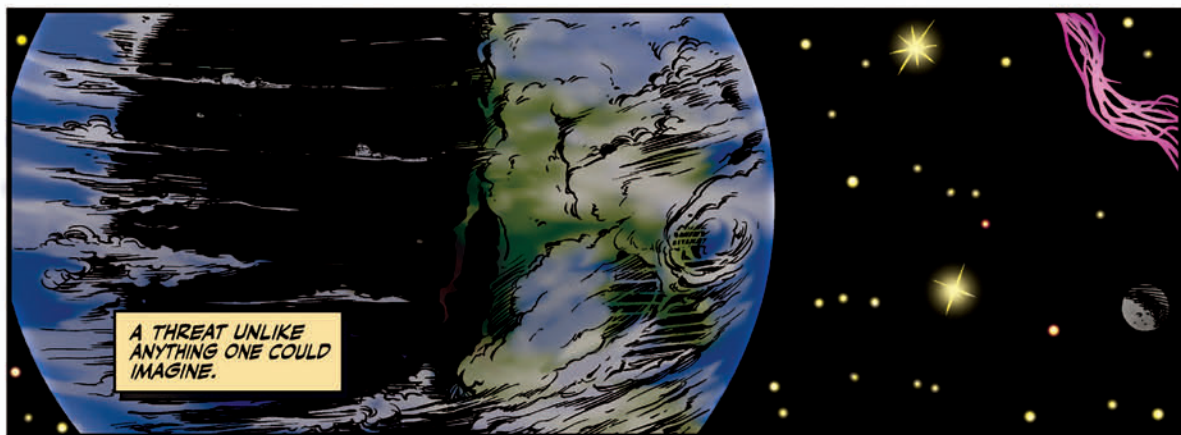
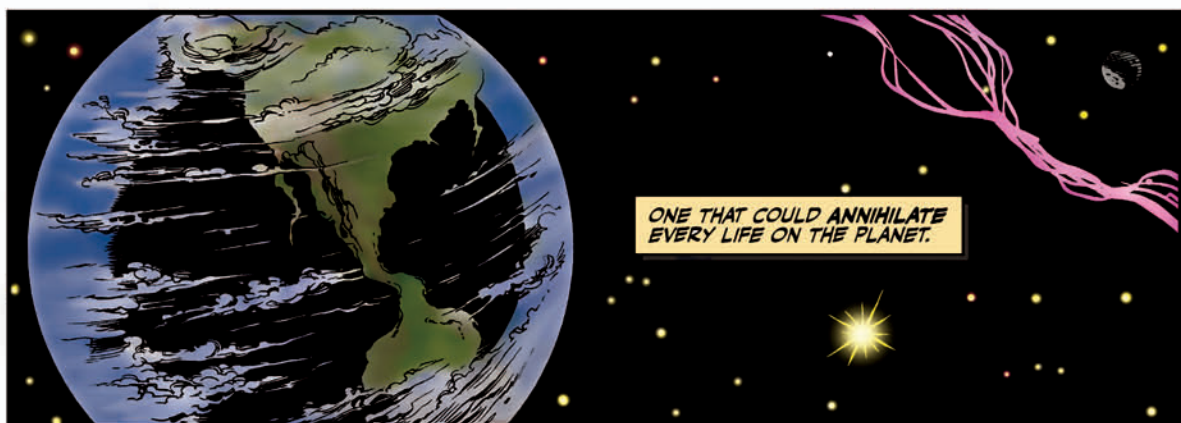
EARTH. HOME TO SEVEN BILLION PEOPLE. DESPITE A HISTORY OF WARS AND DISAGREEMENTS, ITS PEOPLE LIVE LARGELY IN PEACE.

EXPECTING THAT, NO MATTER WHAT PROBLEMS MAY ARISE IN THE FUTURE, THEIR GOVERNMENTS--INDEED, THE VERY PEOPLE THEMSELVES--WILL SEE THEM THROUGH IT.



HOW LITTLE THEY KNOW--

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METRO CITY.

Ever since Aztekoth escaped,* I've been here, waiting.

His quest has always been the reclamation of the Cortes Stone, housed in the gallery ever since Robert Latham procured it.

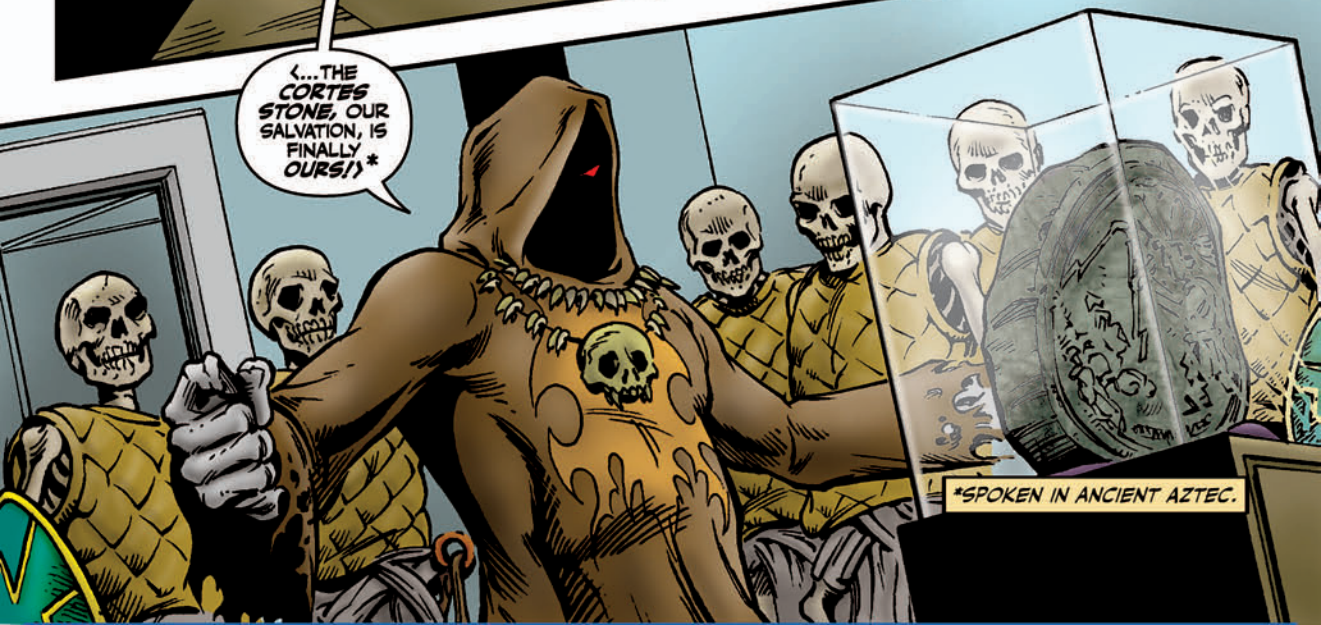
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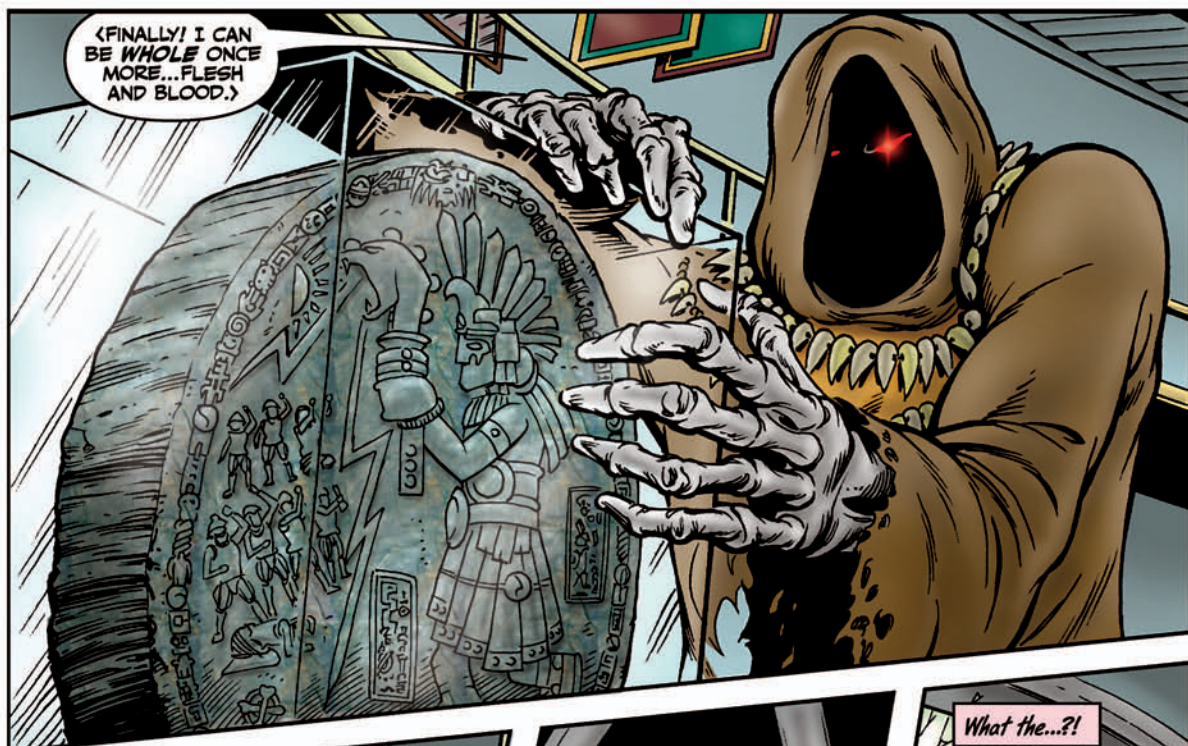
As devious and dangerous as the creature is, if he wants the stone, he'll need to come back here.

And true to form.

Hard to make out for sure in this fog, but there appears no sign of Aztekoth...yet. He can't be far behind.

He won't escape me this time.





<FINALLY! I CAN
BE **WHOLE** ONCE
MORE...FLESH
AND BLOOD.>



With Max and Leena patrolling the city in my absence, I'm all alone. But I have the element of surprise, which I intend using to my advantage.

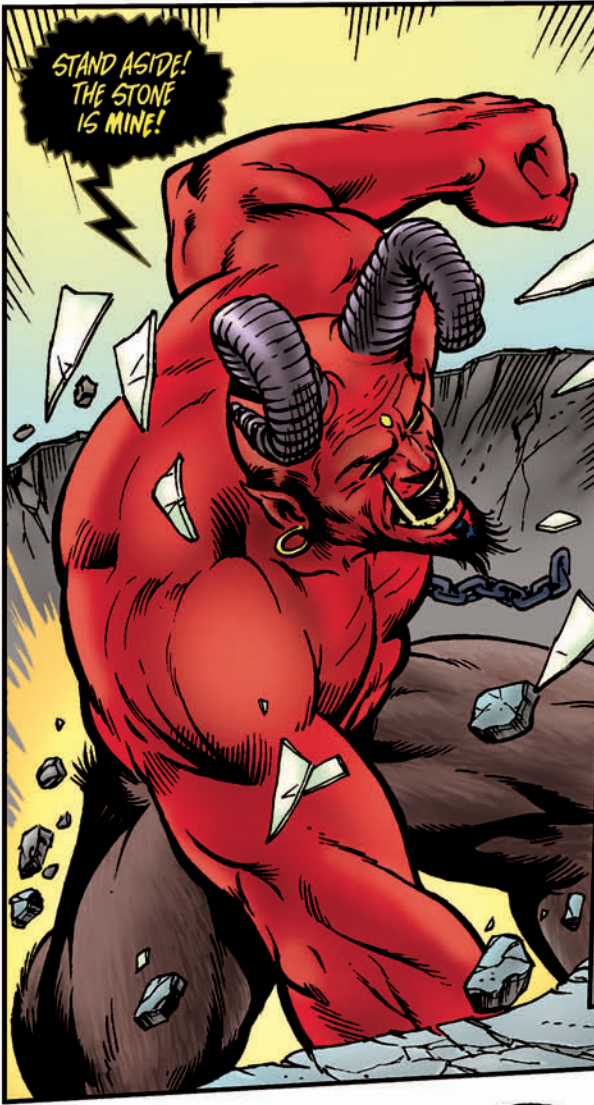


Blind the warriors, then deal with Aztekoth one-on-one, swiftly.



What the...?!

KRSHHH





--AS ARE
YOU!

I don't know who--
or what--that thing
is, but I have to
do something!

«FEEL THE
BURNING TOUCH
OF AZTEKOTH! DIE
AS YOU *DESERVE*,
INFIDEL!»

