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CHAPTER FOUR: "ROAR"



Long ago, the Kree experimented on primitive beings across the universe, resulting in the creation of THE INHUMANS. But prophecy warned of THE MIDNIGHT KING, an Inhuman who would bring about the annihilation of the Kree, so they ended up destroying all but five of the then-fledgling Inhuman tribes. In time, BLACK BOLT of the Inhumans of Earth would come to rule those five tribes.

But now they are nearly all dead. A faction of the Kree, enraged at the devastation of their homeworld, has removed Ronan the Accuser and the Supreme Intelligence from power and ordered all Inhumans to return to their rightful place under the thumb of the Kree—or die.

To prove their threat, their mysterious soldier VOX murdered the entire population of New Artilan, including Black Bolt's brother MAXIMUS and faithful companion LOCKJAW. When Black Bolt confronted the Kree on the ruins of Hala, Vox slit his throat, seemingly destroying his voice.

But Vox underestimated the power of a whisper. Even with his strength reduced, Black Bolt broke out of his prison. Now he goes to war.

And so too does his family, who have recruited a gone-to-seed former Thor named Beta Ray Bill to their cause.

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ONCE UPON A TIME THERE WAS A HORSE AND A DOG...

...AND EVERY SO OFTEN THEY WOULD SAVE THE WORLD.

YOU WILL GO NO FURTHER, VILLAIN...

THESE PEOPLE ARE UNDER THE PROTECTION OF BETA RAY BILL!

GRRR!

AYE, AND THE MIGHTY LOCKJAW!

THESE PEOPLE HAVE COME TO THE KINGDOM OF BLASTAAR! THEY WILL PAY THE DUES OF BLOOD ON MY SOIL!

YOU HAVE COME HERE ALONE WITHOUT YOUR HONOR-BOUND GOD-BROTHER! AND YOU HAVE THROWN YOUR HAMMER INTO THE DARKNESS OF THE NEGATIVE ZONE, WHERE EVEN ITS ENCHANTMENTS WILL LEAVE IT ADRIFT!

YOU HAVE ALREADY LOST THIS FIGHT, WAR HORSE!

AYE, BUT DO I NOT HAVE MORE THAN ONE HONOR BOUND TO MY NAME?

AND DO I NOT STILL KNOW A FEW TRICKS THAT YOU DO NOT?

PERHAPS YOU KNOW THIS WORD, FIEND...

I BELIEVE IT IS...

...*"FETCH"*?

THIS WAS BUT ONE OF MANY ADVENTURES FOR THESE TWO NOBLE WARRIORS IN THE TIME THEY BOTH WALKED THIS EARTH.

AND IN THIS ADVENTURE, AND IN ALL THE ONES BEFORE IT AND AFTER IT, THEY WERE VICTORIOUS.



NO ONE KNEW OF THESE TALES, AS NEITHER THE HORSE NOR THE DOG WOULD TELL A SOUL OF THEM.

BUT THEY HAPPENED. THE DOG AND THE HORSE WERE BROTHERS. THEY WERE HONOR BOUND AND BATTLE BORN.

IN SHORT, THEY WERE FRIENDS.



AND PERHAPS, SOMEDAY, WE WILL HEAR MORE OF THESE FORGOTTEN STORIES.



BUT NOT TODAY. NO...





A WEAPON. A VERY DANGEROUS WEAPON.

THE KREE BUILT HIM. HE SEEMS TO HAVE A COMBINATION OF OUR SKILLS AND POWERS.

ELEMENTAL-BASED PROJECTILES LIKE CRYSTAL, SOME SORT OF SONIC-BASED POWER LIKE BLACKAGAR, AND HE CAN TELEPORT LIKE...

LIKE...



AYE.



WEAKNESSES?



NOTHING OBVIOUS.



BUT I'M VERY OPEN TO IDEAS...

