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DOCTOR STRANGE



SORCERER SUPREME WITH SOMETHING TO PROVE.

MEPHISTO



RULER OF A REALM OF HELL; COLLECTOR OF SOULS, CORRUPTOR OF GODS.

WONG



A POWERFUL MYSTIC AND STEPHEN'S LONGTIME FRIEND AND ASSISTANT, WONG RECENTLY LEFT HIS POST OVER AN ETHICAL DISAGREEMENT.

BATS



A VERY GOOD BOY, BATS DIED WHILE PROTECTING STEPHEN STRANGE, SO LOKI RESURRECTED HIM AS A GHOST.

BLADE



A.K.A. ERIC BROOKS. PARTIALLY INFECTED WITH VAMPIRISM AT BIRTH WHEN HIS MOTHER WAS BITTEN, BLADE HUNTS CREATURES OF THE NIGHT.

ELSA BLOODSTONE



DAUGHTER OF A ONCE-IMMORTAL, NOW-DEAD MONSTER HUNTER, ELSA INHERITED HER FATHER'S JOURNALS, BLOODGEM POWERS AND VOCATION.

IRON FIST



A.K.A. DANNY RAND. ORPHANED MILLIONAIRE DANNY WAS RAISED IN THE IMMORTAL CITY K'UN-LUN, AND WON THE MYSTICAL POWER OF THE IRON FIST.

MOON KNIGHT



A.K.A. MARC SPECTOR/JAKE LOCKLEY/STEVEN GRANT/MR. KNIGHT, EX-MERCENARY DISCIPLE OF THE EGYPTIAN MOON GOD KHONSU.

DOCTOR VODOOD



A.K.A. JERICHO DRUMM. FORMER PSYCHOLOGIST AND MASTER OF VODOODO MAGIC, JERICHO RECENTLY FOUGHT EVIL AS PART OF THE AVENGERS UNITY SQUAD.

MARK THING



FORMERLY THEODORE SALLIS, VICTIM OF AN ACCIDENT MIXING SUPER-SOLDIER SERUM AND SWAMP MAGIC, GUARDIAN OF THE NEXUS OF ALL REALITIES, WHOEVER KNOWS FEAR BURNS AT HIS TOUCH.

CRUISE RIDER



A.K.A. JOHNNY BLAZE. FORMER STUNT RIDER JOINED TO A SPIRIT OF VENGEANCE.

THE SCARLETT SPIDER



A.K.A. BEN REILLY. RESURRECTED SPIDER-POWERED PETER PARKER CLONE, BEN'S BEEN THROUGH ENOUGH TO DRIVE ANYONE MAD, BUT HE'S TRYING TO BE GOOD.

MEPHISTO CLAIMED LAS VEGAS AND THE AVENGERS. THEN, HE THREW JOHNNY BLAZE, LAST HOPE OF WONG AND HIS MIDNIGHT SONS, FROM THE TOP OF THE HOTEL INFERNO.

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MY FRIEND, DOCTOR STEPHEN STRANGE,
ATTEMPTED TO RESURRECT THE FALLEN
CITY OF LAS VEGAS A FEW DAYS AGO.

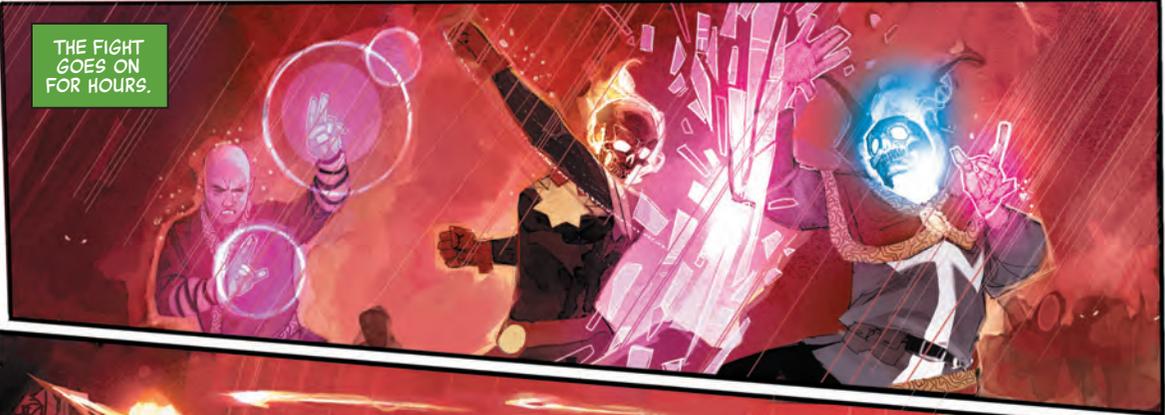
TO SAY THE VERY
LEAST, IT DID NOT GO
QUITE AS PLANNED.

SO HERE WE ARE,
A MAKESHIFT TEAM
OF MIDNIGHT SONS
AND DAUGHTERS...

...FIGHTING
THE HORDES OF
HELLFIRE AND
BRIMSTONE...

...SCREAMING
IN NEON...

...AND BATHED
IN BLOOD.



THE FIGHT
GOES ON
FOR HOURS.



THE DEAD, THE
DYING, AND THE
DAMNED LOSING
GROUND WITH
EVERY MINUTE.



I TELL MYSELF WE
CANNOT KILL THESE
DEMONS OR THESE
RIDERS, FOR THEY ARE
INNOCENTS AND ALLIES.



IN TRUTH, I FEAR WE
COULDN'T KILL THEM
IF WE WANTED.



WITH EACH MOMENT AND
WITH EVERY INCH OF GROUND
WE LOSE, I FEAR MEPHISTO
WILL WIN THIS WAR.

I KNOW
THEY ALL
FEEL IT. THE
DESPAIR THAT
ACCOMPANIES
DOOM AND
DEATH.

AND YET...
WITHOUT
A WORD,
THEY KEEP
FIGHTING.

TWO DARK FORCES WARRING
FOR THE SOULS OF THE WORLD
IN THE HEART OF A NEW HELL.

THE DARKNESS
THAT SEARCHES
FOR THE LIGHT.

AND THE DARKNESS
THAT DEVOURS
IT.



THE DARKNESS WITH TEETH.

VWVR



WELL, HELLO. NICE OF YOU ALL TO SHOW UP LIKE THIS.



WAS THAT...THE PLAN? SENDING A PAWN OF HELL TO FACE ITS KING? ON HIS OWN TURF? IN HIS NEW KINGDOM?

NOW THAT I'M SAYING IT ALOUD DOES IT SEEM DUMB TO YOU YET?
IT REALLY SHOULD.

RRRRRRRRRRRR



THANKS SO MUCH FOR THE NEW BIKE, BY THE WAY. I LOVE IT!



I'M AFRAID YOUR DELIVERY BOY DIDN'T QUITE MAKE IT.



I HAVE TO ASK...



WONG, THIS WAS YOUR DOING, YES?

I KNOW HOW SCARY THIS ALL MUST BE FOR A GLORIFIED BUTLER, BUT... WELL...



YOU LED JOHNNY TO HIS DEATH.

YOU'VE LED ALL OF YOUR LITTLE SOLDIERS TO THEIR DEATHS...

TELL ME...



...HOW DOES THAT FEEL?

