

CIVIL WAR III

WHEN EUGENE "FLASH" THOMPSON LOST BOTH LEGS SERVING HIS COUNTRY, HE FORMED A SYMBIOTIC BOND WITH A BODY-MORPHING ALIEN PARASITE THAT ENABLED HIM TO CONTINUE HELPING OTHERS. NOW, FLASH IS SWASHBUCKLING HIS WAY ACROSS THE UNIVERSE AS

VENOM: SPACE KNIGHT

EARTH'S HEROES PREVENTED A CATAclysmic EVENT THANKS TO AN INHUMAN NAMED ULYSSES WHO HAS THE ABILITY TO SEE THE FUTURE. NOW, EARTH'S GREATEST CHAMPIONS ARE FORCED TO MAKE A CHOICE: PROTECT THE FUTURE...OR CHANGE IT?

FLASH IS BACK IN PHILADELPHIA TO FIND HIS FRIEND ANDREA BENTON, BEARER OF A PART OF THE VENOM SYMBIOTE KNOWN AS MANIA, ALONG WITH A HELL-MARK. FLASH CAN'T REST UNTIL HE'S DONE RIGHT BY ANDI, AND VENOM CAN'T MASTER HIS ANGER UNTIL MANIA'S BEEN CLEANSED. FLASH'S FRIENDS SET OFF TO RETRIEVE A RESTORING ELIXIR FOR MANIA, BUT THEY'VE BEEN CONFRONTED BY SPACE KNIGHTS! MEANWHILE, FLASH RAN INTO HIS OWN TROUBLE. ALTHOUGH HE WAS IN THE MIDST OF DEALING WITH ULYSSES' PREDICTIONS, THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN ONLY KNOWS VENOM AS A MENACE, SO HE RUSHED TO PHILLY, BELIEVING FLASH NEEDED RESCUE. A TENSE CONFRONTATION ENDED WITH VENOM ENVELOPING SPIDER-MAN!

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**INSIDE THE
VENOM SYMBIOTE.**

now.

I ACCEPT
YOUR SURRENDER,
VENOM.

UM,
HELLO?

ANYBODY?



ANY
CHANCE
THERE'S WI-FI
IN HERE?



I LOVE WHAT YOU'VE DONE WITH THE PLACE, VENOM. MINIMAL, YET HOMICIDAL.

YOU ARE CALLED SPIDER-MAN?

YOU SERIOUSLY DON'T REMEMBER ME?

UM, IS IT ME, OR DID WE JUST LEAVE EARTH?

THIS IS A MEMORY. MY MEMORY. OF MY HOME.

PLANET OF THE SYMBIOTES, HUH?

... DO YOU CALL EARTH, "PLANET OF THE HUMANS"?

SOMETIMES.

THIS IS KLYNTAR.



I WAS BORN HERE. MY PEOPLE, WE'RE BRED TO BE AGENTS. AGENTS OF THE GOSMOS.

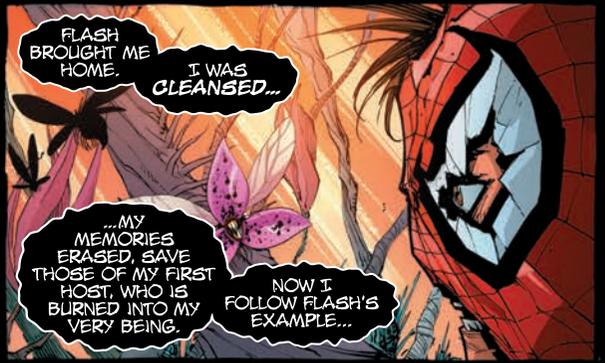
NOT GONNA LIE, THIS ISN'T EVEN THE CREEPIEST EGG HUNT I'VE EVER BEEN ON.



MY FIRST HOST WAS... NOT WORTHY. HE CREATED A THIRST IN ME.

I WAS ADDICTED... NO...

...I AM ADDICTED... TO RAGE.



FLASH BROUGHT ME HOME.

I WAS CLEANSED...

...MY MEMORIES ERASED, SAVE THOSE OF MY FIRST HOST, WHO IS BURNED INTO MY VERY BEING.

NOW I FOLLOW FLASH'S EXAMPLE...

...I TAKE THINGS ONE DAY AT A TIME.

I AM NOT THE VENOM YOU ONCE KNEW. I WILL NOT ENTER YOUR MIND. I WILL NOT FEED ON YOUR RAGE.



WHAT? I DON'T HAVE ANY--

RESPECTFULLY, YOU ARE TEEMING WITH IT.



TEEMING WITH RAGE FOR ME. IT IS DESERVED, I'M SURE.

YOU HAVE NO IDEA. LITERALLY.



THAT SPOT YOU SEE OVER THERE?

IS THAT THE WAY OUT?

IN A MANNER OF SPEAKING, NOT ALL OF ME WAS CLEANSED.

IT IS THE REASON FLASH AND I ARE IN PHILADELPHIA.