

SECRET WARS

THE MULTIVERSE WAS DESTROYED! NOW, ALL THAT REMAINS...IS BATTLEWORLD!

PREVIOUSLY ON

X-MEN '92

While investigating Cassandra Nova and her Clear Mountain Institute, the X-Men have been trapped inside the sinister Mind Field and subjected to psychological reconditioning! Meanwhile, the militant heroes of X-Force have arrived at the X-Mansion to discover that Professor X is dead.

As X-Force attacks the Clear Mountain Institute, Cassandra Nova's sinister therapy session with the X-Men comes to an abrupt end thanks to the psychic intervention of Psylocke. Unfortunately, that leaves Cyclops and Jean trapped in the Mind Field, with some of their teammates recruited to be part of Nova's plan for a new Westchester - a plan that includes the assassination of Baron Kelly!

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WAIT--

PROFESSOR X IS ALIVE!

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM, BETSY? WHO DID THIS?*

SURPRISED YOU HAVE TO ASK, WORTHINGTON. DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE YOUR FORMER MASTER'S HANDIWORK?

APOCALYPSE IS DEAD, CABLE! WE'RE FINALLY FREE OF MEN LIKE HIM AND MAGNETO, AND IT'S PAST TIME YOU ACCEPTED THAT!

I WISH YOU WERE RIGHT, BUT THERE'S PSIONIC ENERGY ALL OVER XAVIER, AND I'VE ONLY FELT IT IN ONE OTHER PLACE-- APOCALYPSE'S CLONE TANKS!

BETSY?

I'VE NOT HAD THE EXPERIENCE WITH APOCALYPSE THAT CABLE HAS, BUT THERE'S DEFINITELY A STRONG PSIONIC TRACE HERE. THIS ATTACK CAME FROM INSIDE THE MIND, NOT THE MANSION.

IF XAVIER WAS ATTACKED, THIS COULD BE THE BEGINNING OF THE END! WHERE'S CYCLOPS AND HIS TEAM? WE NEED TO WARN THEM!

IT MIGHT BE TOO LATE, BISHOP. LOOKS LIKE XAVIER WAS RESEARCHING THE CLEAR MOUNTAIN INSTITUTE-- THE X-MEN WENT THERE THIS MORNING AND HAVEN'T CHECKED IN SINCE.

WHAT IS CLEAR MOUNTAIN?

*YOU ALREADY KNOW IF YOU READ X-MEN #172 CHAPTER 2! --JORDAN "DETAILS" WHITE.

IT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING NEXT. IF SOMEONE OUT THERE WANTS TO RESTART THE WAR, THEN WE'LL GIVE IT TO THEM!

PREPARE TO BODYSLIDE BY SIX--

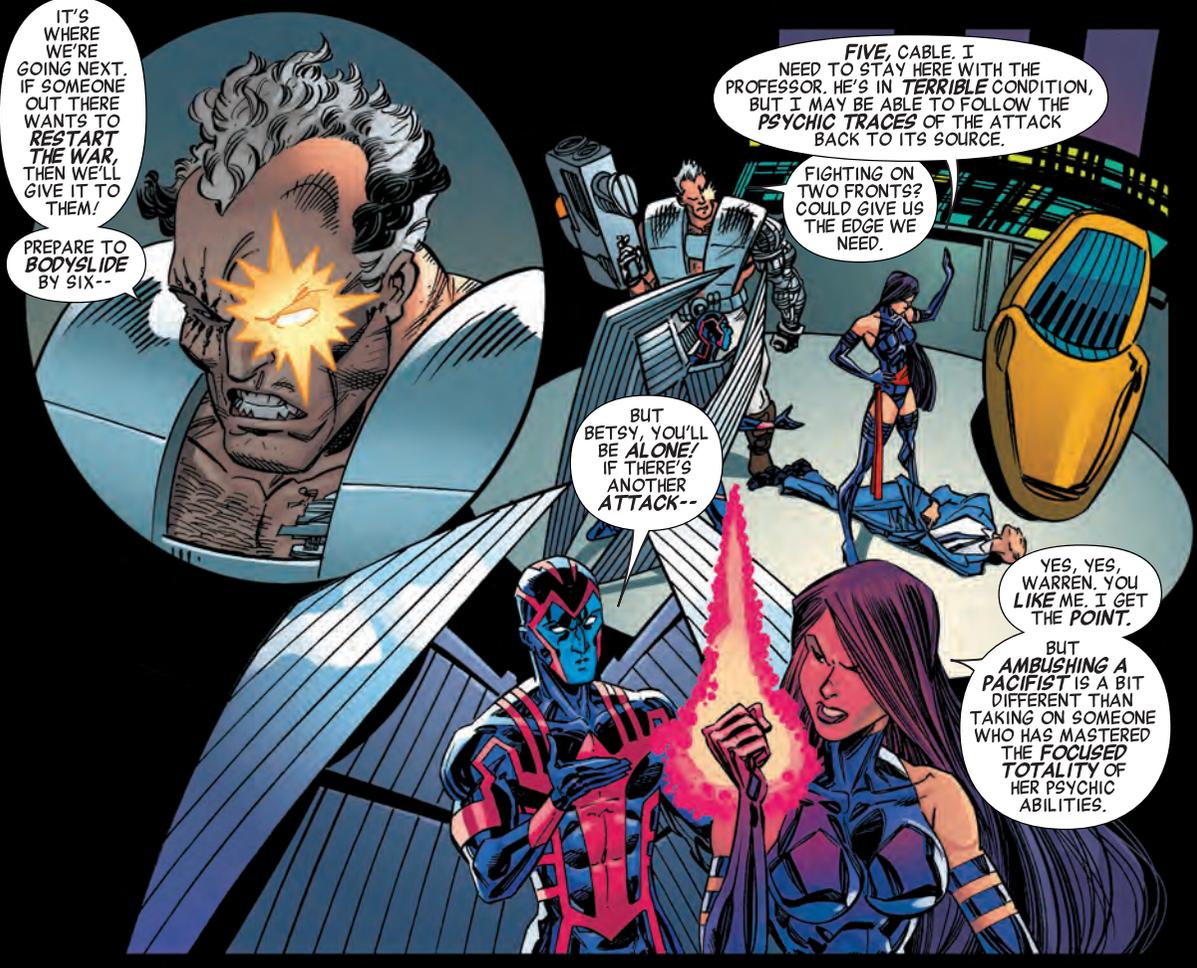
FIVE, CABLE. I NEED TO STAY HERE WITH THE PROFESSOR. HE'S IN TERRIBLE CONDITION, BUT I MAY BE ABLE TO FOLLOW THE PSYCHIC TRACES OF THE ATTACK BACK TO ITS SOURCE.

FIGHTING ON TWO FRONTS?? COULD GIVE US THE EDGE WE NEED.

BUT BETSY, YOU'LL BE ALONE! IF THERE'S ANOTHER ATTACK--

YES, YES, WARREN, YOU LIKE ME. I GET THE POINT.

BUT AMBUSHING A PACIFIST IS A BIT DIFFERENT THAN TAKING ON SOMEONE WHO HAS MASTERED THE FOCUSED TOTALITY OF HER PSYCHIC ABILITIES.





LOOK SHARP, ARCHANGEL. IF WE'RE DEALING WITH SOMEONE WHO COULD TAKE OUT THE X-MEN, WE'LL HAVE ENOUGH TO WORRY ABOUT OURSELVES.

LIKE WHETHER WE CAN TELEPORT STRAIGHT TO THE FIGHT SCENE OR SIT THROUGH MORE BORING EXPOSITION?

I'M WARNING YOU, WILSON...



REST, CHARLES. ALLOW ME TO MOVE THROUGH YOU WITH THE SILENCE OF A NINJA. WE'LL FIND YOUR ATTACKER...



...AND MAKE THEM PAY.





ELSEWHERE.

I KNOW YOU'RE HERE SOMEWHERE.

THERE'S NO USE HIDING. I--



HM. THAT'S ODD.



NO MATTER.

IT'S NOT AS THOUGH YOU'RE REALLY THAT HARD TO FIND, IS IT? NOT WITH ALL THAT POWER YOU'RE TRYING TO KEEP **BOUND** UP INSIDE YOU.