



GATHER TO ME...



...HEAR THE TALE I HAVE TO TELL.



LEARN THESE LESSONS, THAT YOU MAY ALL GROW TO BE COURAGEOUS THARK WARRIORS.

WHAT TALE THIS TIME, SOLA?

THE WARHOON AND THE WHITE APE?

THE STORY OF THE SHAGGY CALOTP

STOP TOUCHING ME!

DID NOT!



THIS IS
A STORY YOU
HAVE NOT HEARD
BEFORE...

...THE TALE OF
A GREAT THARK
WARRIOR WHO FACED
DEATH IN THE
DESOLATE WASTES
OF BARSOOM!



IS THIS A TRUE
STORY?

WHO IS THE
WARRIOR?

PATIENCE.



LET THE
TALE UNFOLD
AS IT MUST...

...LET IT BEGIN
WHERE IT *BEGINS*.

HE WHO IS *MIGHTIEST*
AMONG ALL THARKS, OUR
JEDDAK TARS TARKAS,
RODE OUT FROM THE
GATES HELIUM.

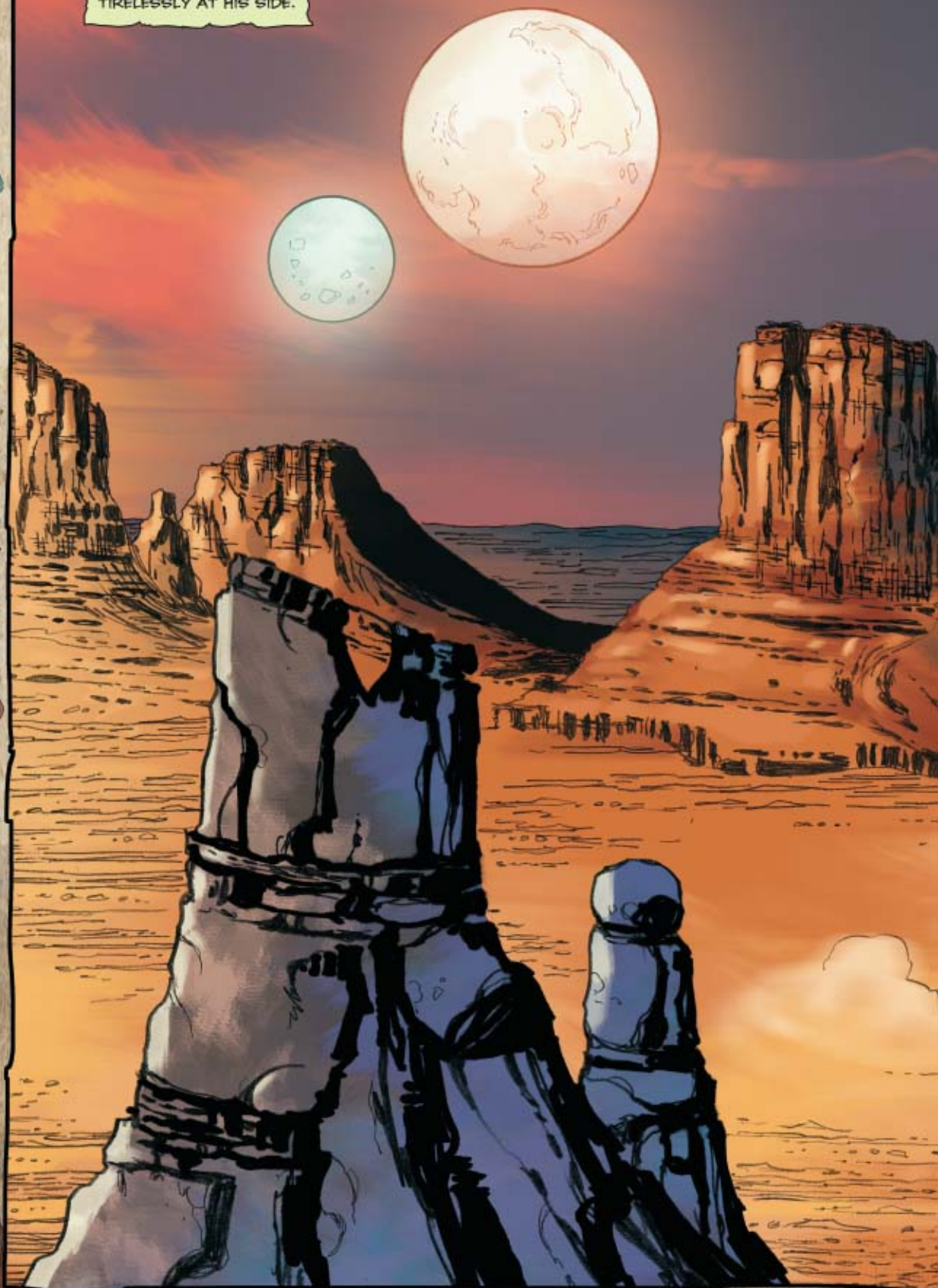
HE HAD DEFENDED THE GREAT
CITY, AND OUR WORLD ITSELF,
FROM *ALIEN INVADERS*. AT THE
SIDE OF HIS FRIEND *JOHN CARTER*,
WARLORD OF *BARSOOM*, AND HIS
WIFE, *DEJAH THORIS*, PRINCESS
OF HELIUM.



BUT *JOHN CARTER*
AND *DEJAH THORIS*
HAD DEPARTED HELIUM
ON A JOURNEY...AND
THEN *DISAPPEARED*.

SO *TARS TARKAS* SET
FORTH ON A FAVORED
THOAT, ACCOMPANIED
BY *JOHN CARTER'S*
LOYAL *CALOT*, *WOOLA*.

TARS TARKAS RODE IN
THE DIRECTION TAKEN
BY JOHN AND DEJAH'S
FLYER, WOOLA RUNNING
TIRELESSLY AT HIS SIDE.



THEY TRAVERSED
THE DESOLATE
WASTES, FINDING
NO TRACE OF THEIR
MISSING FRIENDS.

THE SANDS OF
BARSOOM HAD
NEVER SEEMED SO
VAST AND EMPTY.

