

I NEVER WANTED TO CHANGE THE WORLD.

I JUST DIDN'T WANT IT TO CORRUPT ME.

AVOID JOINING A POPULATION ADDICTED TO CONNECTIVITY AT THE COST OF INTIMACY.

TO FIGHT BECOMING SELF-OBSSESSED WHILE THEY FELL INTO THEIR NEED FOR ACCEPTANCE.

THEY MASTERED GROUPTHINK AND CALLED IT PROGRESS. THEY MADE REBELLION UNCOOL.

THEY ALL GOT ON A TRAIN AND JOINED HANDS, AND IF YOU QUESTION IT OR DEBATE THE CHOICE OF DIRECTION--

YOU'RE THROWN OFF.

ALWAYS THE GHOST AT THE FEAST!
OH MY GOOD FUN.

BUT THIS IS IT! TIME TO CHOOSE! YOU EITHER GET ETERNAL LIFE WITH TEDDY--

OR YOU GET TO PLAY THE HERO AND GET A BIG FAT NOTHING!

WHAT'LL IT BE? WHAT DO YOU REALLY WANT?

ONCE UPON A TIME I HAD A YOUTHFUL EXUBERANCE TO BURN IT ALL DOWN.

BUT I GREW UP.

ALL I WANTED WAS TO LIVE SOMEPLACE IN PEACE WITH THE MAN I LOVE.

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO KILL ME.

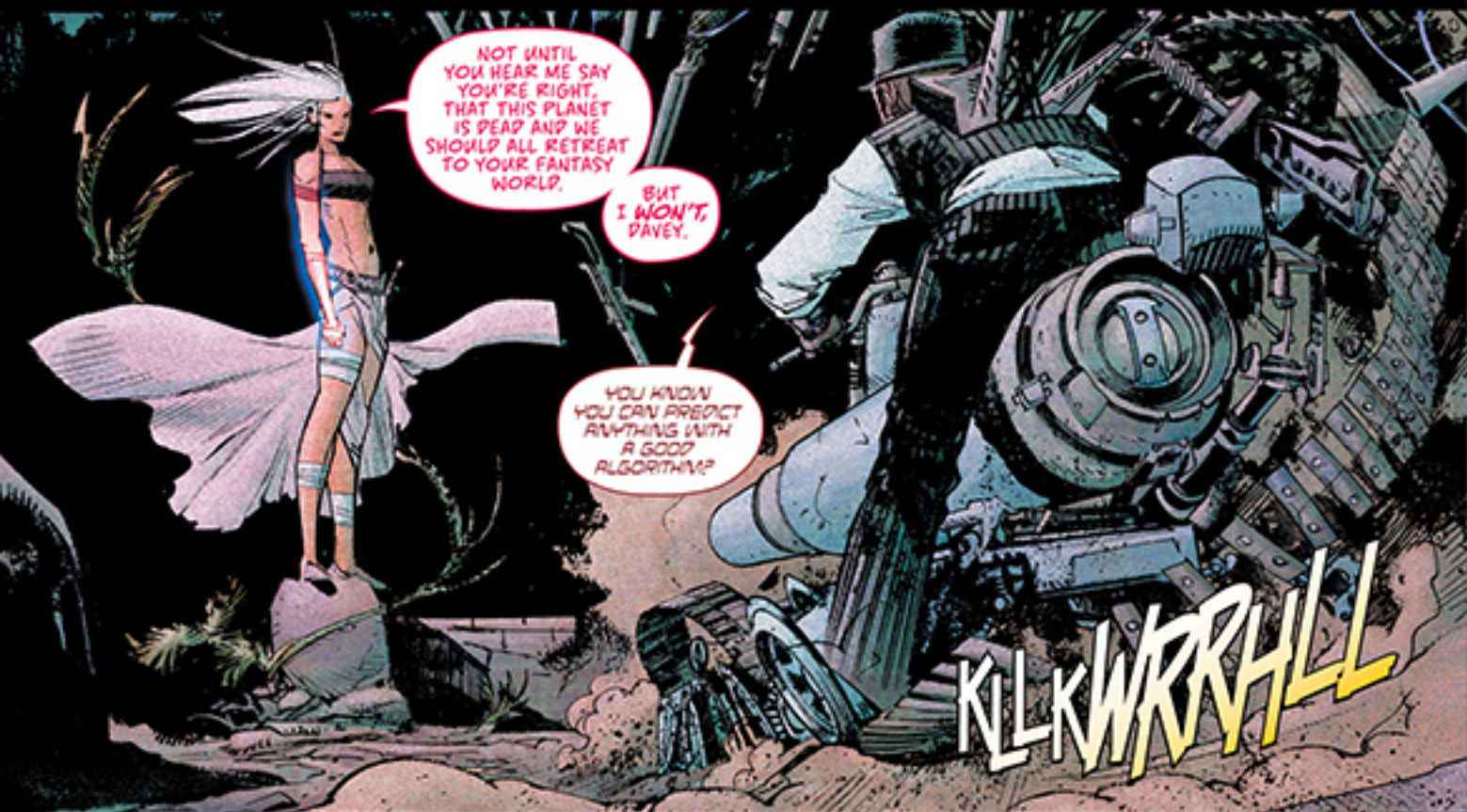
BUT PAVEY TOOK THAT AWAY.

AND IF I DON'T STOP HIM...



HE'S GOING TO TAKE IT AWAY FROM EVERYONE.

YOU... WHAT?



NOT UNTIL YOU HEAR ME SAY YOU'RE RIGHT, THAT THIS PLANET IS DEAD AND WE SHOULD ALL RETREAT TO YOUR FANTASY WORLD.

BUT I WON'T, DAVEY.

YOU KNOW YOU CAN PREDICT ANYTHING WITH A GODD' ALGORITHM?

KLLKWRHLL



MINE GAVE ME 90% ODDS YOU'D CAVE IN RIGHT NOW, FACE TO FACE WITH THE MAN WHO KILLED YOUR GREAT LOVE, HAVING SPENT YOUR EMP JUICE, MY BIG GUN SHOW...

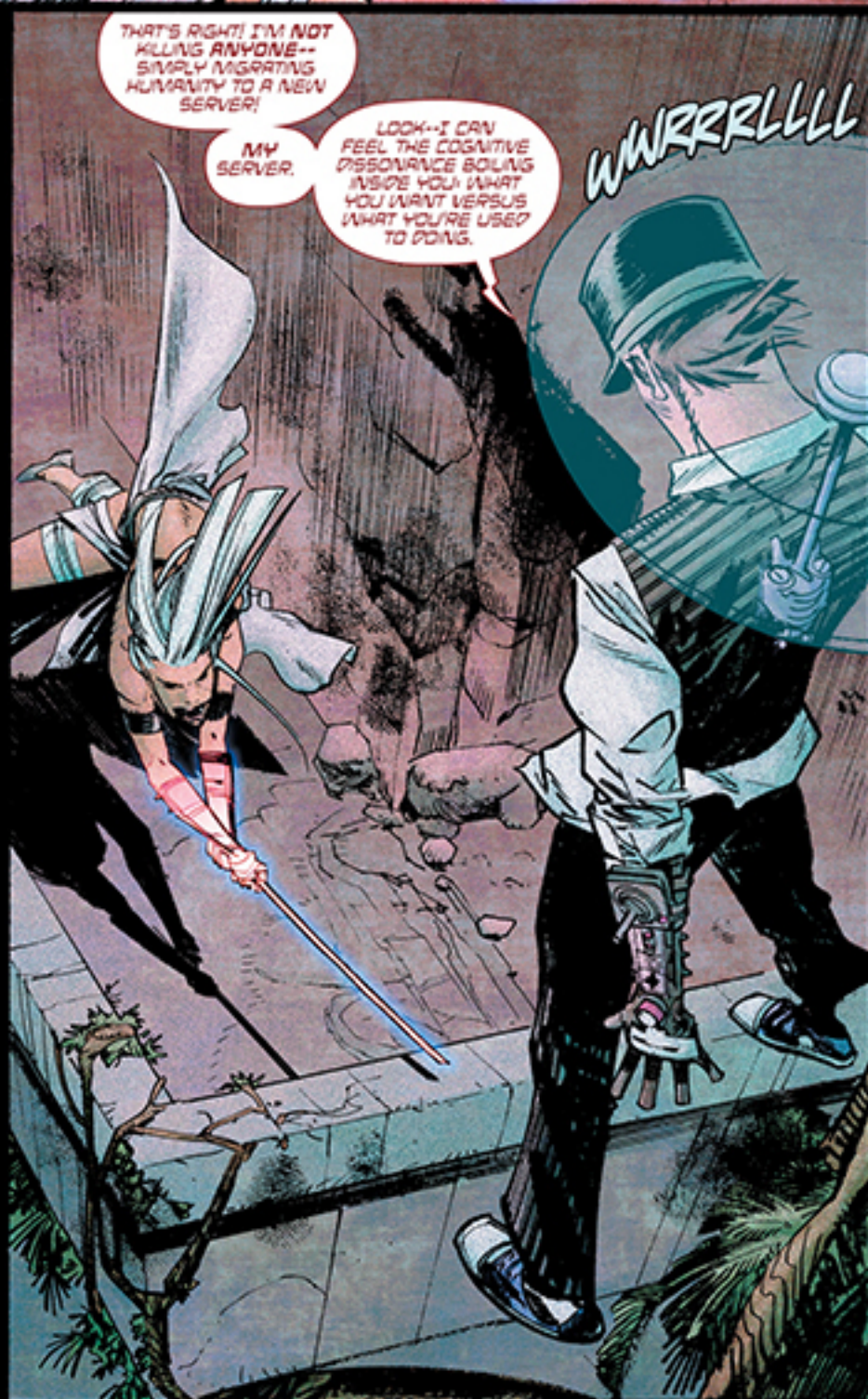
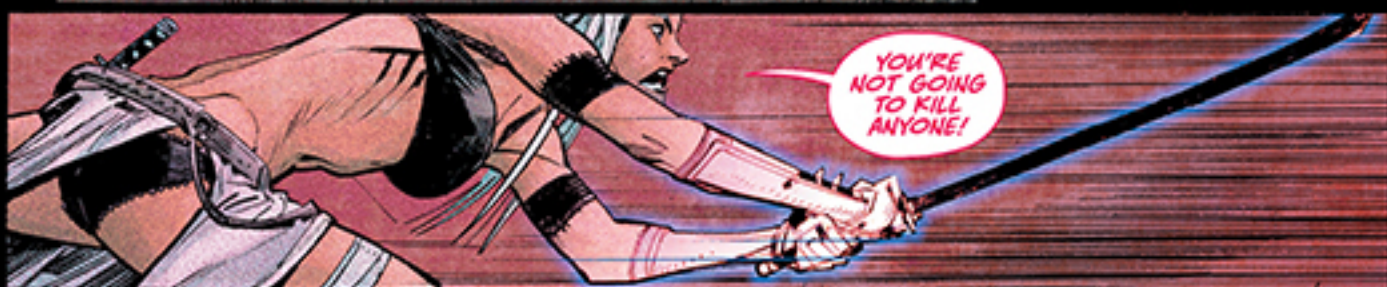
IT WAS ALMOST GUARANTEED TO PUSH YOU TO DO THE SMART THING.



THE ALGORITHM IS NEVER WRONG.

IT SAID IF YOU DON'T GIVE IN NOW, IT'LL JUST TAKE A MINUTE.

YOU DON'T THINK SO-- BUT YOU TOTALLY WILL.

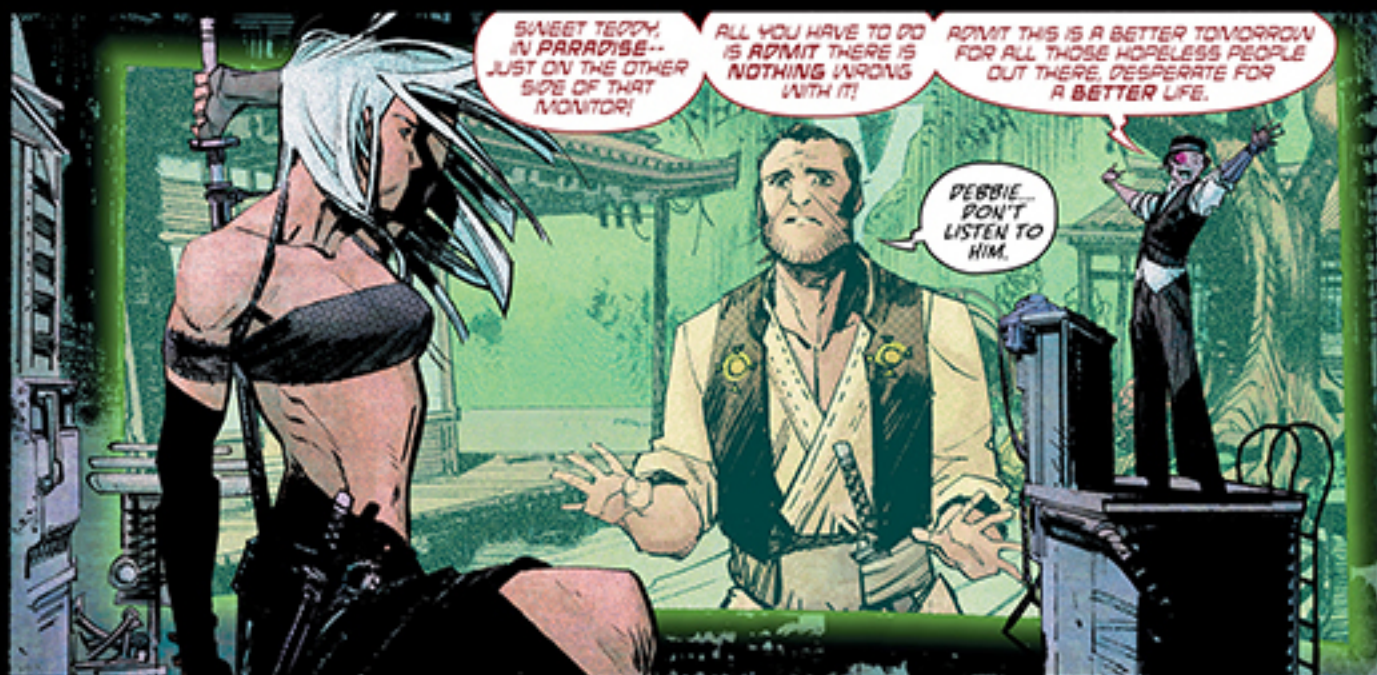




WELCOME TO
**PROFESSOR
SPARKLE
DREAM
EMPORIUM!**

YOU HATED
TECHNOLOGY YOUR
WHOLE LIFE, RALLIED
AGAINST IT, WAGGED YOUR
FINGER, AND SNEERED
DOWN YOUR NOSE, LIKE
SOME STODGY OLD MAN
BARKING AT THE
CLOUDS.

BUT LOOK AT
WHAT IT CAN
OFFER!



SWEET TEDDY,
IN PARADISE--
JUST ON THE OTHER
SIDE OF THAT
MONITOR!

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO
IS ADMIT THERE IS
NOTHING WRONG
WITH IT!

ADMIT THIS IS A BETTER TOMORROW
FOR ALL THOSE HOPELESS PEOPLE
OUT THERE, DESPERATE FOR
A BETTER LIFE.

PEBBIE--
DON'T
LISTEN TO
HIM.



PLANET
TRAUMA!

WHERE
THERE'S NO
SICKNESS, NO
FAMINE, NO
WAR, NO
STARVATION.

THEY'RE
ALL GOING TO
THANK ME
FOR IT.

YOU'LL
SEE.



LOOK AT THE HISTORY OF
MANKIND. PEOPLE LOVE
TO CHOOSE GROUP THINK
OVER INDEPENDENT
THOUGHT.

LOVE.
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PEOPLE NEED TO
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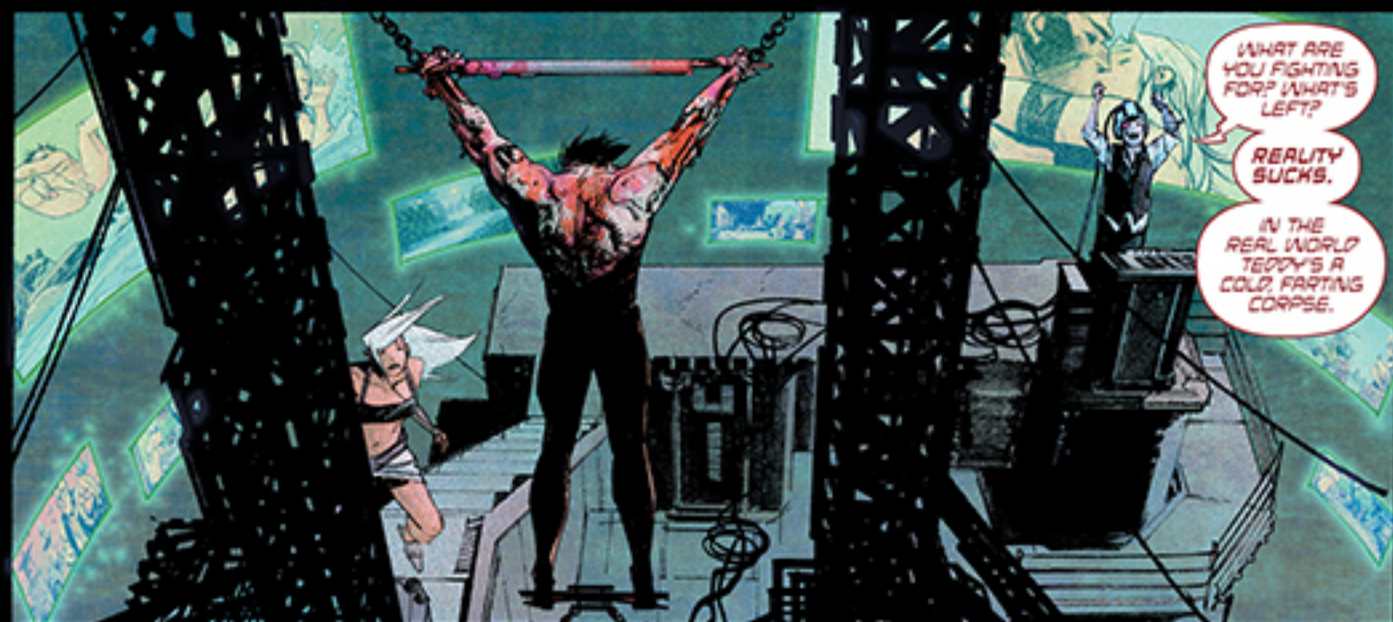
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THAN ANYTHING--
RELIEVES YOU
OF THE BURDEN
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THIS IS
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WANT,
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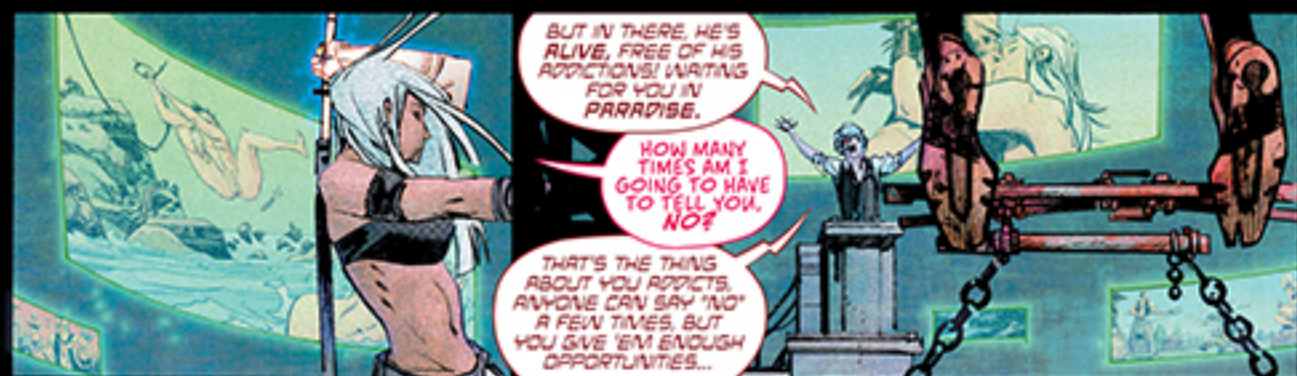
PATCH
THE
TYPE



WHAT ARE YOU FIGHTING FOR? WHAT'S LEFT?

REALITY SUCKS.

IN THE REAL WORLD TEDDY'S A COLD, FARTING CORPSE.



BUT IN THERE, HE'S ALIVE, FREE OF HIS ADDICTIONS! WAITING FOR YOU IN PARADISE.

HOW MANY TIMES AM I GOING TO HAVE TO TELL YOU, NO?

THAT'S THE THING ABOUT YOU ADDICTS, ANYONE CAN SAY "NO" A FEW TIMES, BUT YOU GIVE 'EM ENOUGH OPPORTUNITIES...



...AND EVENTUALLY THEY ALL CRACK.

I'M NO ADDICT.



WHAT? COME ON!

YOU CAN'T BE CODEPENDENT AND DELUSIONAL.

TOO MANY BROKEN BITS FOR ONE PERSON.



REFUSING TO ABANDON SOMEONE YOU LOVE ISN'T CODEPENDENCE.

THEN DON'T ABANDON HIM, GO TO HIM.

ONCE YOU TELL ME I WAS RIGHT AND YOU WERE WRONG.

HE'S GOING TO KILL EVERYBODY, PEBBIE.