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PETER QUILL—BORN ON EARTH TO A HUMAN MOTHER AND ALIEN FATHER—SET OUT FOR A LIFE OF ADVENTURE AMONG THE STARS AS STAR-LOARD. HE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY AND SPENT YEARS FIGHTING AND DEFENDING WITH THE RAGTAG GROUP OF MISFITS.

EVENTUALLY, LIFE TOOK HIM DOWN A NEW PATH. PETER TOOK OVER FROM HIS FATHER AS EMPEROR OF THE PLANET SPARTAX, CHOSE RESPONSIBILITY OVER THE SWASHBUCKLING ANTICS OF HIS PAST, STARTED A FAMILY, AND HAD A FALLING-OUT WITH THE GUARDIANS.

NOW HE IS SIMPLY...

OLD MAN QUILL



"DON'T FEAR THE REAPER"

WHEN PETER QUILL'S STRATEGIC MISCALCULATION LEFT HIS PLANET UNDEFENDED, THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH OF TRUTH DESTROYED SPARTAX. BLAMING HIMSELF, QUILL SPENT YEARS IN SELF-IMPOSED EXILE. BUT THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY HAVE PULLED HIM INTO ONE LAST MISSION—AND CHANCE FOR REDEMPTION: RETURN TO EARTH TO RETRIEVE AN ARTIFACT TO STOP THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH OF TRUTH FROM DESTROYING OTHER PLANETS.

THE EARTH'S HAD A ROUGH GO OF IT SINCE QUILL HAS LAST BEEN THERE, WITH DOCTOR DOOM CURRENTLY OVERLORD OF THE WASTELANDS THAT REMAIN AFTER THE SUPER VILLAINS TOOK OUT THE PLANET'S HEROES.

AFTER ENDURING MANY TRIALS ON HIS QUEST, PETER FINALLY FOUND HIMSELF WITHIN REACH OF THE ARTIFACT, BURIED IN THE REMNANTS OF THE BAXTER BUILDING. BUT HIS EFFORTS WERE THWARTED BY THE ARRIVAL OF GLADIATOR AND THE CHURCH'S IMPERIAL GUARD, WHO MADE A DEVASTATING DECLARATION: THE GUARDIANS ARE LONG DEAD, AND PETER'S BEEN ALONE ON HIS QUEST. BUT WHAT REALLY HAPPENED TO THE GUARDIANS...?

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ARCHIVE SHIP OF
THE CHURCH OF
UNIVERSAL TRUTH.**

**THREE
MONTHS
AGO.**





THERE'S NO "I" IN TEAM, DRAX!

THERE IS ONE IN "GUARDIANS," I GUESS...

...BUT HONESTLY, YOUR MONOLOGUE WAS JUST BORING THE #&%& OUT OF ME.



STAY FOCUSED, YOU TWO! THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE A STEALTH MISSION--

--TO SPRING THE ONE BEING THAT CAN TAKE DOWN GALACTUS AND STOP THE CHURCH!



WE ARE THE GALAXY'S LAST HOPE, AND OUR CHANCES OF SUCCESS GO FROM SLIM TO NONE IF ONE OF THESE KNIGHTS LIVES LONG ENOUGH--

SLICE



--TO SOUND AN ALARM!



WHAT... WHAT HAVE I DONE?



I...?SOB?... I DON'T BELIEVE ANYMORE.



MANTIS, WHAT THE FLARKIN' HECK DID YOU DO TO HIM?

I MADE HIM FEEL THE EMOTIONAL PAIN OF THOSE WHOSE WORLDS THE CHURCH DESTROYED...

WOW, THAT SEEMS CRUELER THAN JUST SHOOTING HIM.

WHY? I FEEL THAT PAIN EVERY WAKING MOMENT.



THERE WAS A TIME WHEN I COULD HAVE TAKEN OUT ALL FOUR WITHOUT MUCH EFFORT...

WE'VE ALL GOTTEN OLD, MANTIS...YOU JUST WEAR IT BETTER THAN THE REST OF US.

AH, GEEZ, YOU'RE JUST GOING TO MAKE HER SICKER WITH THAT SCHMALTZY CRAP. YOU SURE ARE MAKING ME NAUSEOUS.

I HAD FORGOTTEN HOW ANNOYING YOU CAN BE, YOU RABBIT VERMIN!



NOW I REMEMBER WHY IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE OUR LAST MISSION... ?SIGH?

MANTIS, ARE YOU GETTING A READING ON THE POWER SOURCE YOU DETECTED?

WE DON'T KNOW HOW LONG THE MILANO WILL STAY CLOAKED...AND ONCE THEY NOTICE THESE GUARDS ARE DOWN WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MOVE QUICKLY.



IT'S FUZZY, BUT IT FEELS LIKE HE'S CLOSE. ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THOSE DOORS...BUT THERE'S A COMPLEX LOCKING MECHANISM.

OOH, I CAN BLOW IT UP!

WHAT PART OF "STEALTH MISSION" DIDN'T YOU UNDERSTAND? NO--



--WE'LL DO IT THE OLD-FASHIONED WAY.



BE READY FOR COMPANY. THE GUARDS WILL BE ONTO US ONCE WE FREE THE MIGHTY...