

...WIDESPREAD ALARM AT THE NEWS THAT BOTH STARS IN THE DISTANT SIRIUS SYSTEM, SIRIUS A AND ITS WHITE DWARF COUSIN SIRIUS B, HAVE BECOME UNSTABLE AND ARE VIOLENTLY EXPANDING--TO THE POINT THAT THEY WILL SOON TOUCH, SETTING OFF A CHAIN REACTION THAT IS EXPECTED TO DESTROY THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE...



**BREAKING : THE SIRIUS SITUATION**



GOING TO DIE...ALL GOING TO DIE.....ALL GOING TO DIE...ALL GOING TO D

ALREADY THE BRIGHTEST STAR IN THE NIGHT SKY DUE TO ITS RELATIVELY CLOSE PROXIMITY TO OUR OWN PLANET, SIRIUS A HAS NOW BECOME EVEN BRIGHTER-- RESULTING IN 24-HOUR DAYLIGHT ALMOST EVERYWHERE ON EARTH.

NASA HAS ANNOUNCED A MISSION TO HALT THE GROWTH OF THE TWO STARS, EMPLOYING A SPACE SHUTTLE ADAPTED TO CARRY EXPERIMENTAL FASTER-THAN-LIGHT ENGINES--AND AN ALIEN ARTIFACT SUPPLIED BY THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA...



**BREAKING : THE SIRIUS SITUATION**



ABANDON HOPE...ABANDON HOPE...ABANDON HOPE...ABANDON HOPE..

AH, YEAH, WE DON'T REALLY DO STARS, IF YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN--BUT WE DID BRING BACK THE SACRED OMMMM...GEM FROM DIMENSION NINETEEN. THAT OUGHT TO DO THE TRICK.

I MEAN IT WAS REALLY HARD, WE HAD TO FIGHT A SPACE-DRAGON AND EVERYTHING...

OH, NOT A LOADA \*\*\*\*\* COBBLERS...!



**BREAKING : THE SIRIUS SITUATION**



THIS IS THE END MY ONLY FRIEND, THE END...THIS IS THE END MY ONLY FRIEND, THE E



THOSE \*\*\*\*\*  
HAVE BOTTLED IT! OMMMM...  
GEM, 'OO DOES THAT \*\*\*\*\*'  
FEATHERED \*\*\*\*\* THINK  
HE'S KIDDIN'?

PPFF!



YOU WOULD  
KNOW, I  
GUESS.

EH?

WELL, YOU SEE  
HIM ALL THE  
TIME--SINCE  
YOU JOINED  
THE--

I  
\*\*\*\*\* TOLD  
YOU ABAHT  
THAT...!



CONSTANTINE...?

AN'  
WOT DO YOU  
WANT?

WHY  
DID YOU...  
BRING ME  
HERE...?

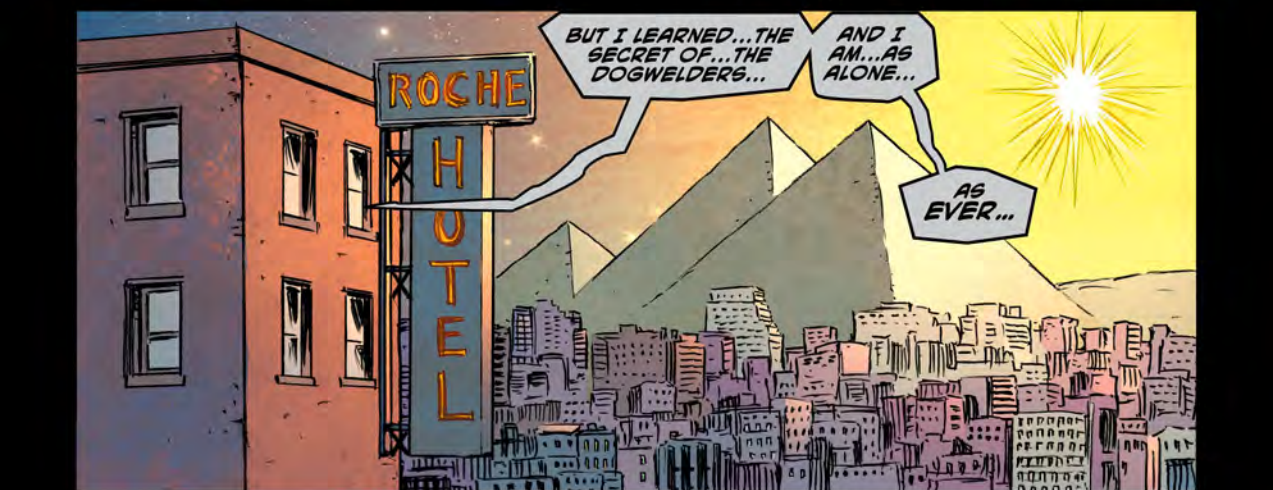
YOU  
PROMISED ME...  
KNOWLEDGE  
OF...MYSELF...



BUT I LEARNED...THE  
SECRET OF...THE  
DOGWELDERS...

AND I  
AM...AS  
ALONE...

AS  
EVER...











SIRIUS...

THE  
DOG...  
STAR...

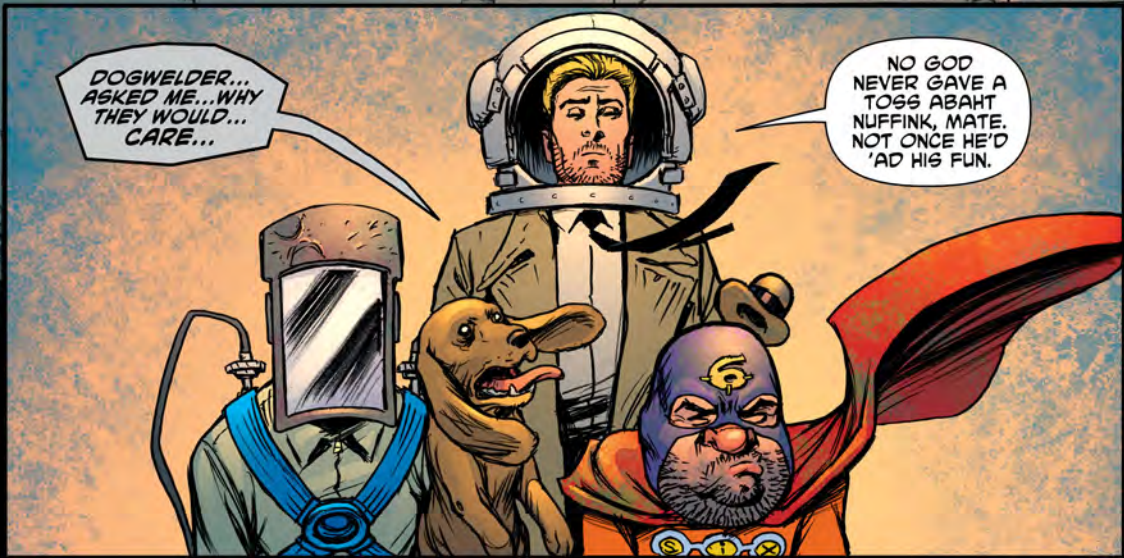
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I ASKED... WHY THE GODS... WOULD ALLOW IT...



DOGWELDER... ASKED ME... WHY THEY WOULD... CARE...

NO GOD NEVER GAVE A TOSS ABAHT NUFFINK, MATE. NOT ONCE HE'D 'AD HIS FUN.



"IT AIN'T JUST THE \*\*\*\*\* CHAOS THE SELFISH \*\*\*\*\* CAUSE WHEN THEY'RE SORTIN' AHT THE FINGS THEY SHOULD'VE GOT RIGHT IN THE FIRST PLACE--"

"IT'S ALL THAT POWER THEY LEAVE LYIN' AROUND AFTWARDS, INNIT?"



"FORTUNATELY, A FEW FORWARD-FINKIN' INDIVIDUALS 'AVE ALWAYS BEEN ON 'AND TO SORT FINGS AHT..."

'ERE! THIS IS ALL A BIT BLEEDIN' PREVIOUS!