

IT
MUST BE THAT
YOU'VE EXPERIENCED
MORE THAN ME,
DIANA...

CHILDREN OF THE GODS

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...BUT I JUST CAN'T GET OVER THIS PLACE.

INCREDIBLE!

BUT I'M FORGETTING, YOU WERE OUT IN THE WORLD BEING "WONDERFUL", WHILE I WAS STUCK HIDDEN AWAY IN GREECE.

ALL THIS AND YOU JUST KEEP STARING AHEAD, LIKE YOU'RE BORED OR SOMETHING.

I'M STARING AT YOU, BROTHER--MY VERY OWN BLOOD WHO CHOSE TO BETRAY ME.

I'M NOT BORED. I'M... HONESTLY, I CAN'T DECIDE HOW I FEEL.

SADNESS, ANGER, DISAPPOINTMENT-- PLENTY OF ALL THREE.

CONTEMPT. HATRED? THAT, TOO--

AND I DIDN'T HIDE YOU AWAY, YOU DID THAT YOURSELF. COWARD!



WILL YOU SHUT HER MOUTH, JASON, OR SHOULD I?

--AND THE FACT THAT IN TURNING ON ME, YOU'VE THROWN IN WITH THIS TWISTED CREATURE ISN'T HELPING.



SO THIS PLACE--YOU FOUND AN ANCIENT BEACHHEAD FROM NEW GENESIS--PROOF THEY WALKED THE EARTH MILLENNIA AGO.

GRAIL SAYS THERE WAS AN EVEN EARLIER WORLD CALLED URGRUND...IT MAY HAVE BEEN THEM--



I DO NOT CARE.



LISTEN TO ME, JASON. THINK.

THIS WITCH HAS BEEN MURDERING THE CHILDREN OF ZEUS, ALL OF WHOM, DESPITE OUR NEVER MEETING THEM, WERE OUR HALF-BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

SO IN THAT WAY, TOO, YOU'VE TURNED YOUR BACK ON YOUR OWN BLOOD.



I SAID, BE QUIET!

EVEN HERCULES, WHO YOU CLAIM WAS YOUR FRIEND AND TEACHER...

...DOESN'T THAT MATTER AT ALL?

ANNIE!

NO, GRAIL, STOP!

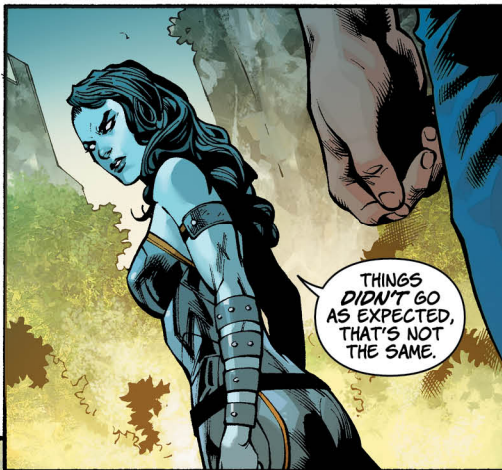
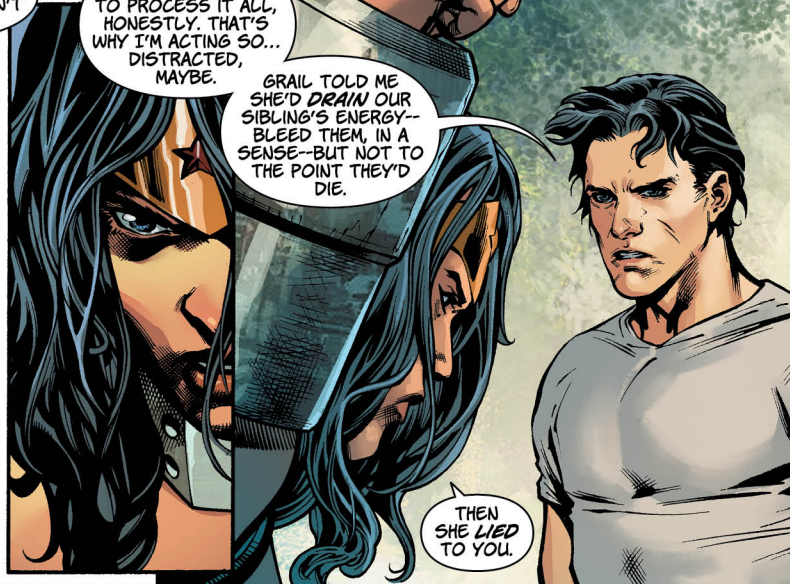
I'LL ANSWER HER. I WANT TO.

DOES IT MATTER TO ME, DIANA? THE DEATHS? I DON'T KNOW...

I'M STILL TRYING TO PROCESS IT ALL, HONESTLY. THAT'S WHY I'M ACTING SO... DISTRACTED, MAYBE.

GRAIL TOLD ME SHE'D DRAIN OUR SIBLING'S ENERGY-- BLEED THEM, IN A SENSE--BUT NOT TO THE POINT THEY'D DIE.

THEN SHE LIED TO YOU.



THINGS DIDN'T GO AS EXPECTED, THAT'S NOT THE SAME.



SO IT WAS AN "ACCIDENT" YOU KILLED THEM ALL? WHO ARE YOU TRYING TO FOOL?

JASON, YOU CAN'T BE THAT GULLIBLE.



I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO THINK, I TOLD YOU.

I KNOW I WAS ALONE, THEN GRAIL CAME ALONG AND SUDDENLY I WASN'T.



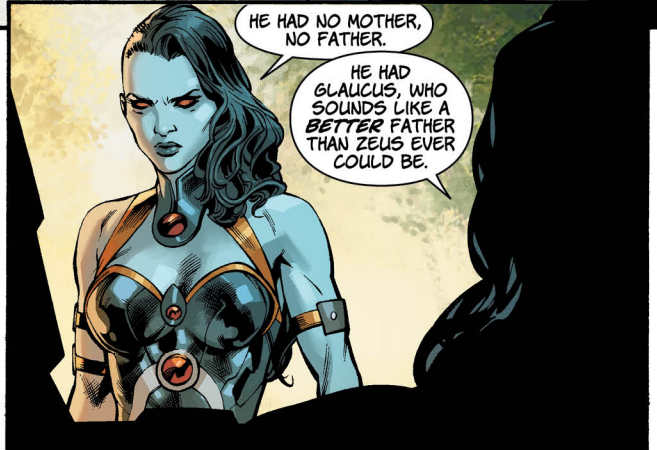
YOU KNEW WHO I WAS, EVEN IF I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT YOU YET. YOU COULD HAVE FOUND ME. REACHED OUT.



STOP LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO BLAME!

THIS IS ON YOU!

YOU SPENT SO LONG HIDING FROM HERA'S JEALOUSY, IT JUST TURNED INTO YOU HIDING!



HE HAD NO MOTHER, NO FATHER.

HE HAD GLAUCUS, WHO SOUNDS LIKE A BETTER FATHER THAN ZEUS EVER COULD BE.



AND NO, YOU DIDN'T HAVE MOTHER AROUND, BUT--

SHE DIDN'T THINK TO SEE ME, NOT ONCE.



OUR MOTHER IS A GOOD WOMAN-- COMPASSIONATE, LOVING-- IF SHE KEPT AWAY, SHE HAD HER REASONS.

YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE THAT.

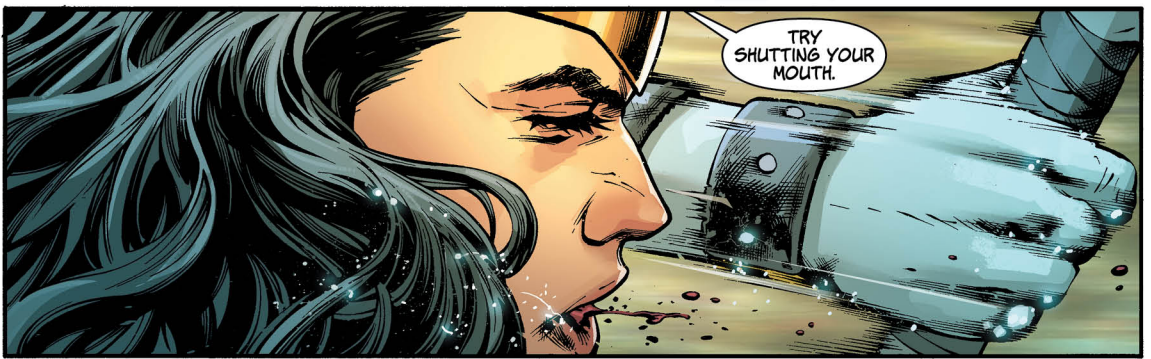


WHY SHOULD I?

BECAUSE I COME TO YOU WITH MY HEART FILLED WITH LOVE.

YOU'VE TURNED ON ME, YOU HAVE ME HERE, A CAPTIVE-- YOU STILL HAVEN'T EXPLAINED WHY-- AND YET...

...I'D STILL DO ANYTHING FOR YOU.

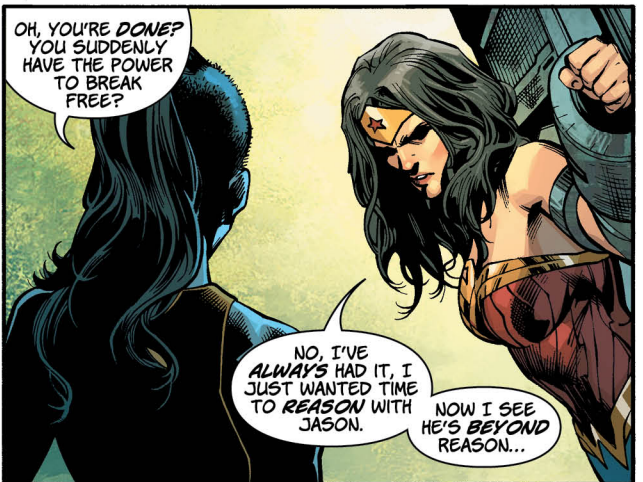


TRY SHUTTING YOUR MOUTH.



YOU, ON THE OTHER HAND--

--I'M DONE BEING YOUR PUNCHING BAG, GRAIL.



OH, YOU'RE DONE? YOU SUDDENLY HAVE THE POWER TO BREAK FREE?

NO, I'VE ALWAYS HAD IT, I JUST WANTED TIME TO REASON WITH JASON.

NOW I SEE HE'S BEYOND REASON...



...YOU'RE BOTH GOING DOWN!

BELIEVE ME, JASON, I TAKE NO PLEASURE IN HURTING YOU!

GH--

WE BEAT YOU ONCE...