

THE UNTAMED

KILLING FLOOR

PREVIEW
EDITION



STRANGER
COMICS

The vast and volatile world of Asunda...

“Let no man put Asunder,” was probably the inspiration for the name of a fantasy world that started to take shape over twenty five years ago. I take little credit for that, however. This was a world that wanted to be created. It was in the hands of the Gods.

The fantasy genre has exploded in almost every form of media. Novels, movies, television, video games, board games, card games and merchandise.

But fantasy comics have not gotten the respect they deserve. Even those that achieve some popularity are isolated. One series. Often, one character. We all love the Cimmerian, and every world needs one central hero, but a world should be just that. Vast, interconnected, and full of complex characters who could all be the stars of their own tales. What other publishers have given you for superheroes, we want to give you for dark fantasy. A diverse world rich in culture that reflects our global audience.

Which character will turn you into a fan? Essessa, our fallen Vorkasian vampiress, or Dusu, the human with an animal's heart beating in his chest? Perhaps the half orc Sin, who finds no welcome among humans or orcs. Buxton, the world-weary dwarf, enslaved to the Goddess of Death and forced to collect souls with his cursed axe? Maybe Hareth, the killer who will try in death to be the father he should have been in life?

Or more likely the one who binds them all together. You may have heard of Niobe in her solo title, NIOBE: SHE IS LIFE, which I wrote with actress and social media giant Amandla Stenberg, however Niobe is present in some form in every title we have released. She was introduced in THE UNTAMED: A SINNER'S PRAYER as a young orphan girl with a destiny far beyond the walls of the one horse Town of Oasis, and she can currently be found in ERATHUNE, where after the growing pains of SHE IS LIFE, our hero is finally becoming the warrior queen she is destined to be. Her influence can even be felt in DUSU: PATH OF THE ANCIENT, where we meet the family she lost even before birth.

And now she features in another tale about family, though not her own. We are back to the young girl on the run from the devil, protected by a dead man who returned for vengeance but instead saved a child of destiny. Now she is at his side as he searches for what became of his family in the ten years since he was murdered. Meanwhile, however, Essessa hunts them mercilessly, and all the people whose aid they need would rather see Hareth dead again and Niobe turned in for the price upon her head.

THE UNTAMED: KILLING FLOOR will help build the budding legend of Asunda's core hero while continuing the tale of Hareth, the first mentor on her long journey for salvation. It is said we all have something to teach, but Hareth knows only one skill of great use. Can he teach a child blessed by the Goddess of Light to embrace the darkness when survival is at stake?

Asunda is a brutal place, and even the best of us hide demons within.

Sebastian A. Jones

IN A LIFE
BEFORE...

IT IS
SAID THAT
CHILDREN OF THE
MOON CANNOT
BE KILLED BY
PLAGUE OR
POISON.

BUT I
HAVE OFTEN
WONDERED,
DO YOU BLEED
SILVER? DO
YOU KNOW
PAIN?

LET
US FIND
OUT.





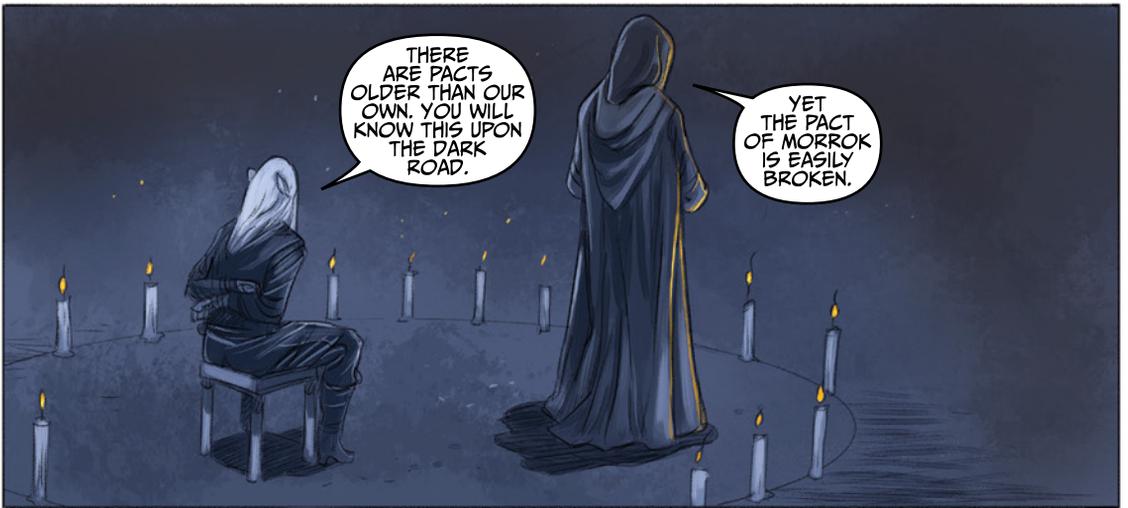
YOU WILL DIE
IN THE
LIGHT.



MY LIFE
IS A SHADOW
THAT DEEPENS
IN DEATH.



MORKAI
MYTHS WHISPERED
WHEN THE WORLD
SLEEPS.



THERE
ARE PACTS
OLDER THAN OUR
OWN. YOU WILL
KNOW THIS UPON
THE DARK
ROAD.

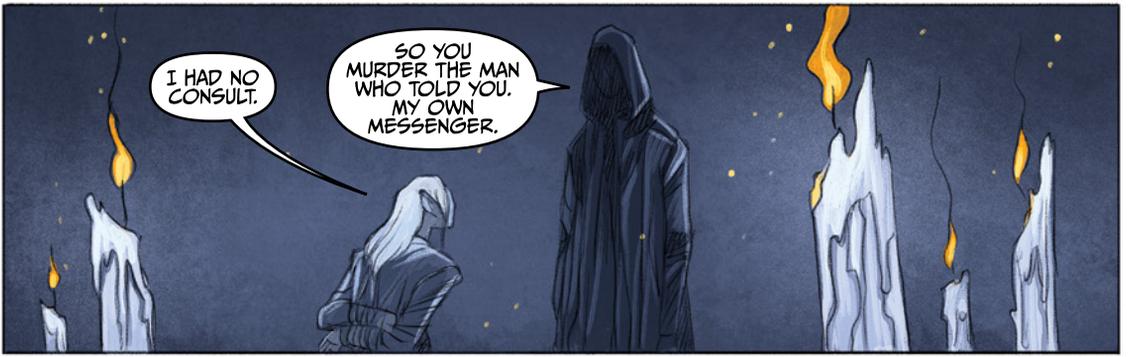
YET
THE PACT
OF MORROK
IS EASILY
BROKEN.



I WAS...
UPSET. YOU
RAISED THE
PRICE.



TO COVER
THE COST OF
SECRECY FROM
HAJA, ASARRA
BAY HAS MANY
SPIES.



I HAD NO CONSULT.

SO YOU MURDER THE MAN WHO TOLD YOU. MY OWN MESSENGER.



IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN YOU TO BRING SUCH NEWS. BUT THAT IS WHY YOU SENT HIM.

HE WAS INNOCENT.



DO NOT WEAR THE MASK OF ANGELS. INNOCENCE WAS LOST THE DAY HE MET YOU.

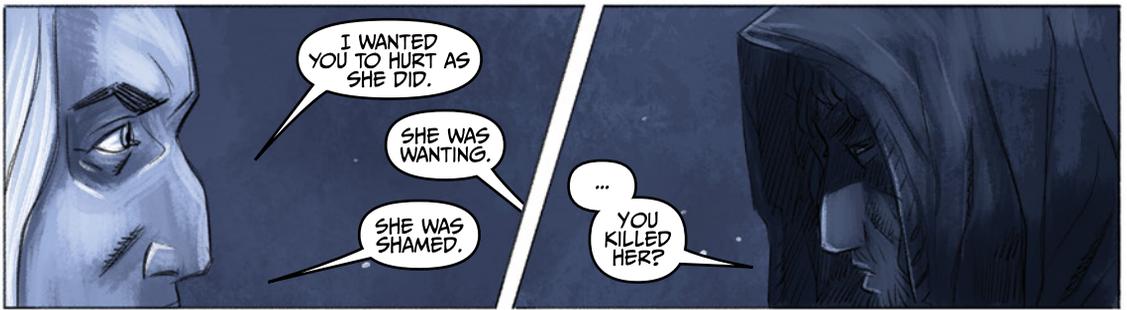


HE HAD A CHILD.



SO DID MY SISTER.

THIS IS WHY YOU KILLED HIM.



I WANTED YOU TO HURT AS SHE DID.

SHE WAS WANTING.

SHE WAS SHAMED.

... YOU KILLED HER?



NO, HARETH. YOU DID. MY PEOPLE BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF THE WORD.

WHILE YOUR KIND RUT LIKE DOGS AND DIE.



YOU WILL SUFFER, SEREVA.



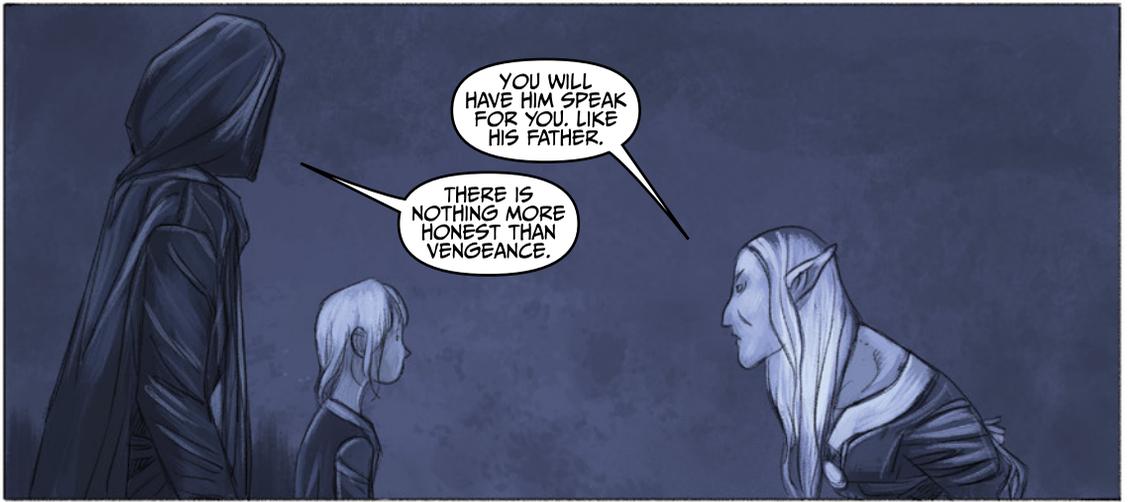
FOR HOW LONG, A NIGHT? TWO NIGHTS? THAT IS BUT A MOMENT, A YAWN OF BREATH TO THE IMMORTAL MORKAI.

I AM READY TO DIE, HARETH, JUST AS WE ARE ALL READY TO BE REBORN IN THE SHADOW OF MAGGA.

WHEN OCEANS SWELL IN SILVER AND THE SUN NO LONGER BURNS. FROM THE DARK WE SHALL RISE, AND BLANKET THE WORLD IN THE LONGEST NIGHT.



COME, BOY. IT IS TIME TO END HIS SONG.



YOU WILL HAVE HIM SPEAK FOR YOU, LIKE HIS FATHER.

THERE IS NOTHING MORE HONEST THAN VENGEANCE.



I - I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS. PL - PLEASE DON'T MA - MAKE ME DO THIS.



HE IS TOO SCARED TO SPEAK!

YOU DIDN'T WANT YOUR FATHER TO DIE EITHER, DID YOU?



YOU CANNOT GET HIM BACK, BOY. BUT EACH CUT WILL NUMB THE PAIN FOR A THOUSAND DAYS.





"SO TAKE
YOUR TIME."

BEING FREE DOES NOT RELEASE A MAN
FROM HIS WORD. IT IS MORE ETERNAL
THAN THE LIFE THAT SPEAKS IT.



I GAVE MINE
TO PROTECT A
CHILD. NOT FOR
THE WORLD SHE
WILL SAVE...



...BUT FOR THE
WOMAN WHO
BORE MY OWN.



I NEED HER
TO KNOW I
CAN CHANGE.



BUT LIES ARE EASY FOR
A SINNER. THEY KEEP ME
ALIVE, OR SO I PRETEND.

A BLANKET OF SATIN
TO COMFORT A
BLISTERED SOUL.

BEAUTIFUL TO TOUCH.
EASILY CUT.



IF THE WORLD IS A PUZZLE OF MAGIC, EACH LIE STEALS A PIECE. UNTIL THERE IS NO MORE.

OUR WORD IS POWER.

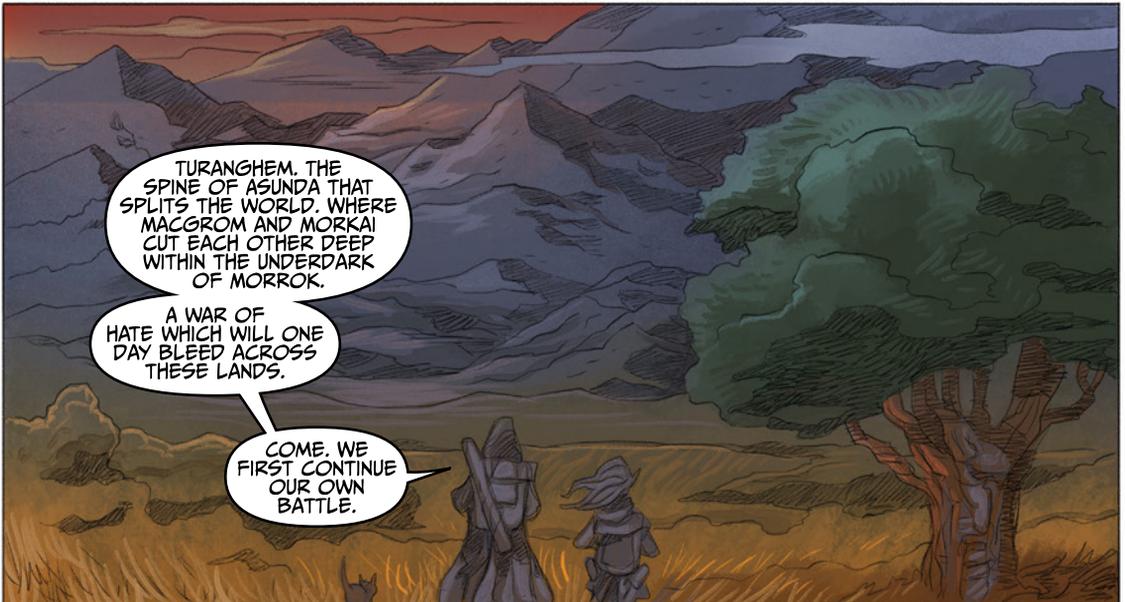
OUR WORD IS PRAYER.



AND HE IS LISTENING.



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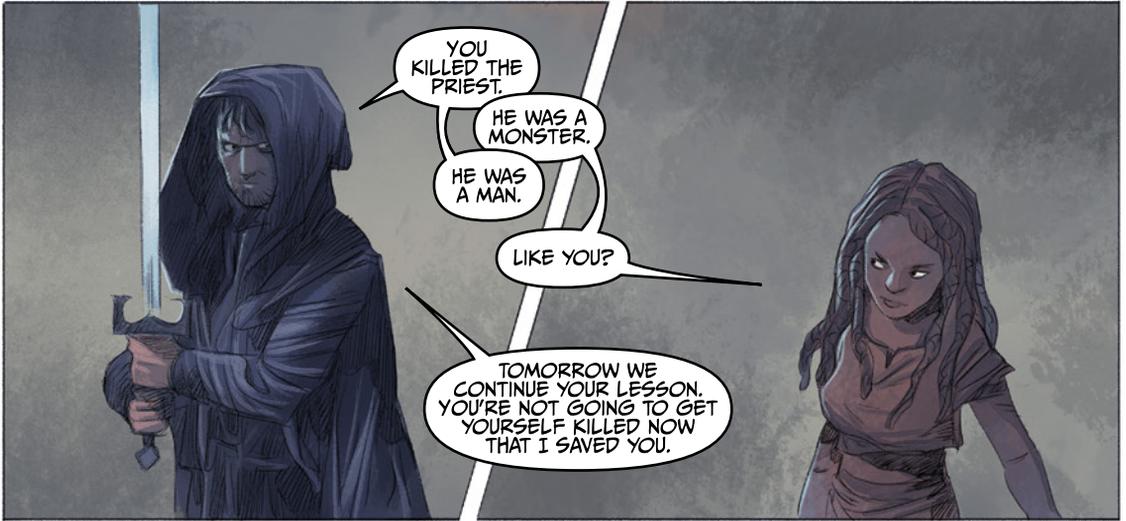
TURANGHEM. THE SPINE OF ASUNDA THAT SPLITS THE WORLD. WHERE MACGROM AND MORKAI CUT EACH OTHER DEEP WITHIN THE UNDERDARK OF MORROK.

A WAR OF HATE WHICH WILL ONE DAY BLEED ACROSS THESE LANDS.

COME. WE FIRST CONTINUE OUR OWN BATTLE.



I DO NOT WANT TO KILL ANYONE.



YOU KILLED THE PRIEST.

HE WAS A MONSTER.

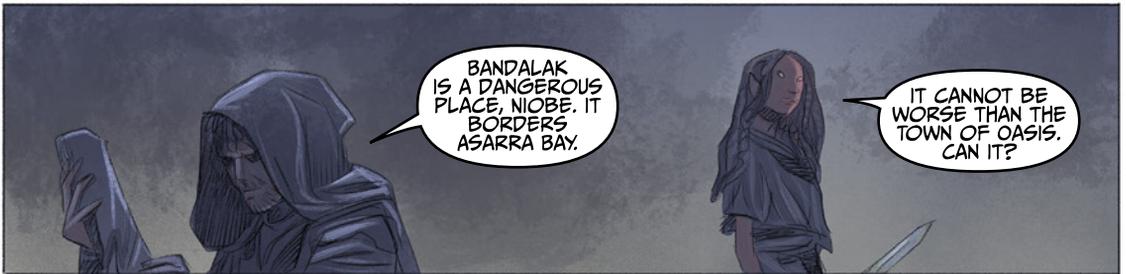
HE WAS A MAN.

LIKE YOU?

TOMORROW WE CONTINUE YOUR LESSON. YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET YOURSELF KILLED NOW THAT I SAVED YOU.



I SAVED YOU, REMEMBER?



BANDALAK IS A DANGEROUS PLACE, NIOBE. IT BORDERS ASARRA BAY.

IT CANNOT BE WORSE THAN THE TOWN OF OASIS. CAN IT?





WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WHEN WE GET THERE?

THERE IS SOMEONE WHO WILL KNOW WHERE MY FAMILY WAS TAKEN.

A FRIEND?



ONCE, IN OUR YOUTH. NOW HE WANTS ME DEAD.



DOES HE KNOW HE GOT HIS WISH?



I'M SURE HE WOULD LOVE TO FINISH WHAT THE UNTAMED COULD NOT.

IS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO COULD HELP?



YES. BUT THERE ARE MORE PAINFUL THINGS THAN DEATH.



IS THERE ANYONE YOU HAVEN'T BETRAYED?



I HAVEN'T BETRAYED YOU.



YET.

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NIOBE RETURNS
IN THE SEQUEL TO
A SINNER'S PRAYER
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WITH
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