

MERCY SPARK™

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SPECIAL

**OH SH*T!
SHE'S
BACK!**

ALLOW ME TO
REINTRODUCE
MYSELF!



**HEAVEN'S DEVIL
RETURNS THIS FALL**

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MERCY SPARX WAS BORN IN THE LAND OF SHEOL, A STRANGE PLACE BETWEEN HEAVEN, HELL, AND PURGATORY. AGAINST HER WILL, SHE WAS SENT TO OUR WORLD, CHARGED WITH A MISSION FROM **GOD**. A DEVIL-GIRL LIVING AMONGST US, HUNTING ROGUE ANGELS ON EARTH, DOING **HEAVEN'S DIRTY WORK**.

OR AT LEAST SHE DID.

THINGS WERE SO MUCH SIMPLER THEN.

CUT TO A STORY OF BETRAYAL, CONSTANT MANIPULATION BY THE COSMIC WARRING BUREAUCRACIES OF HEAVEN AND HELL, MERCY'S OWN **MOTHER**, FAUSTIA, TRYING TO TAKE OVER THE WORLD, AND HER DAD... DON'T EVEN ASK ABOUT HER DAD.

IT ALL ENDED WITH MERCY HOLDING PURE **OMNIPOTENCE** IN HER HANDS, ULTIMATE POWER THAT SHE TOOK ONE LOOK AT... AND **CAST ASIDE**.

SAVING EARTH, HEAVEN, AND EVEN HELL FROM THE RULE OF FAUSTIA, AND IN THE PROCESS, PUTTING HERSELF **OUT OF A JOB**.

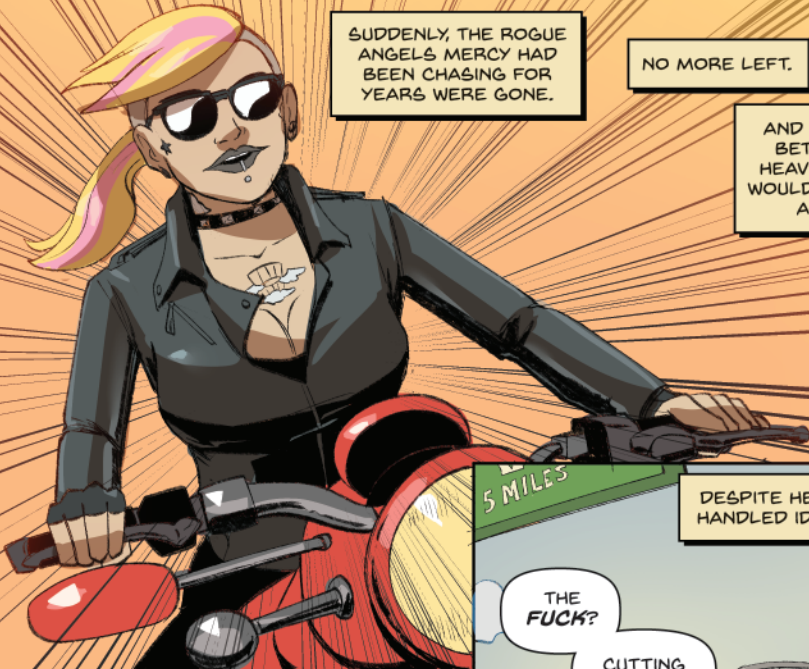
SUDDENLY, THE ROGUE ANGELS MERCY HAD BEEN CHASING FOR YEARS WERE GONE.

NO MORE LEFT.

AND WITH A WHOLE NEW DEAL BETWEEN THE ANGELS AND HEAVEN, IT WASN'T LIKELY ANY WOULD BE FALLING FROM GRACE AGAIN ANY TIME SOON.

MERCY GOT WHAT SHE WANTED. TO BE LEFT ALONE.

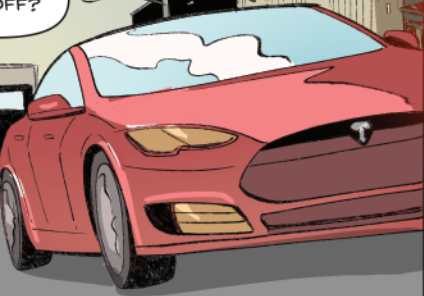
AND SHE LOVED IT.



DESPITE HER TRACK RECORD, SHE HANDLED IDLE TIME RATHER WELL.

THE FUCK?

CUTTING ME OFF?



EXCEPT FOR WHEN SHE DIDN'T.



CUTTING ME OFF?!

OH NO, YOU...



DIDN'T!!!

EEEEAGGH!

BUT IN BETWEEN THE OUTBURSTS, SHE FOUND TIME TO RECHARGE. REFLECT.

EVEN TRAVEL.

NOT THAT OLD HABITS EXACTLY DIED.

EVEN SAW HER SHOW UP ONLINE SOMETIMES.

BARTENDER! ANOTHER FOR MY COLLECTION, PLEASE.

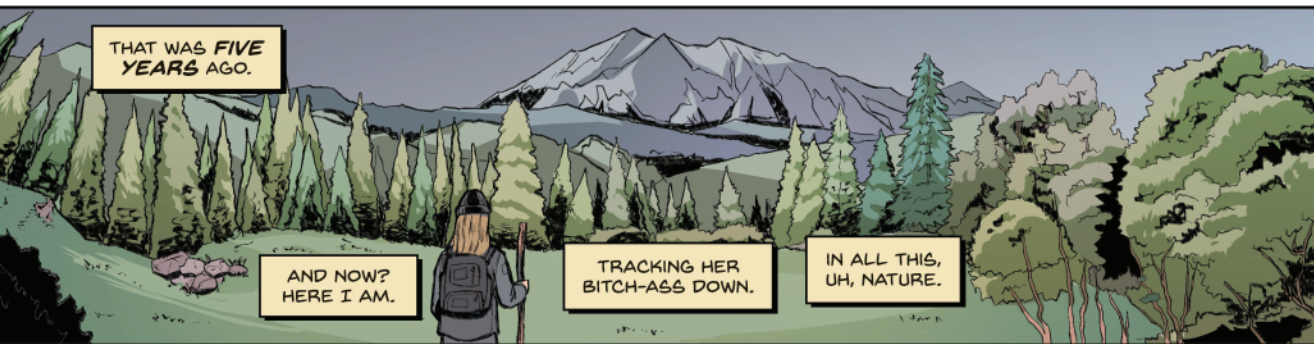
¡PUTA MADRE, ÉSTA BORRACHA!



AHH, NOW TO SMOKE INSIDE A CAFE.



WHITE CLAAAAWW!



THAT WAS FIVE YEARS AGO.

AND NOW? HERE I AM.

TRACKING HER BITCH-ASS DOWN.

IN ALL THIS, UH, NATURE.



THIS IS... NOT WHERE I EXPECTED TO FIND **MERCY SPARK**.

NOT SURE HOW I'LL REACT WHEN I FINALLY SEE HER.

SERVING AS A GADGET MAN, SIDEKICK, AND **BESTIE** FOR YEARS. DEVOTING MYSELF TO A LITERAL **DEVIL**, ONLY TO BE GHOSTED.



FIVE YEARS. IT'S FUCKED UP.

THEN AGAIN, THE BREAK PROBABLY ADDED A FEW YEARS BACK TO MY LIFE.



DAMNIT.



YOU'D THINK HEAVEN WOULD PROVIDE A MAGIC COMPASS OR SOMETHING.



BUT NAH, JUST A BURNER PHONE WITH COORDINATES ON A MAP.

WELL, HELLO.

LOOKS LIKE HER HANDIWORK. IS THIS CONFIRMATION?

YUP. SO MUCH CONFIRMATION.



DAMN, GIRL, YOU SAVE THE WORLD JUST TO LITTER IT INTO OBLIVION?



MAYBE IT'S JUST OTHER RANDOM JACKASSES.

NOPE! BRIMSTONES!



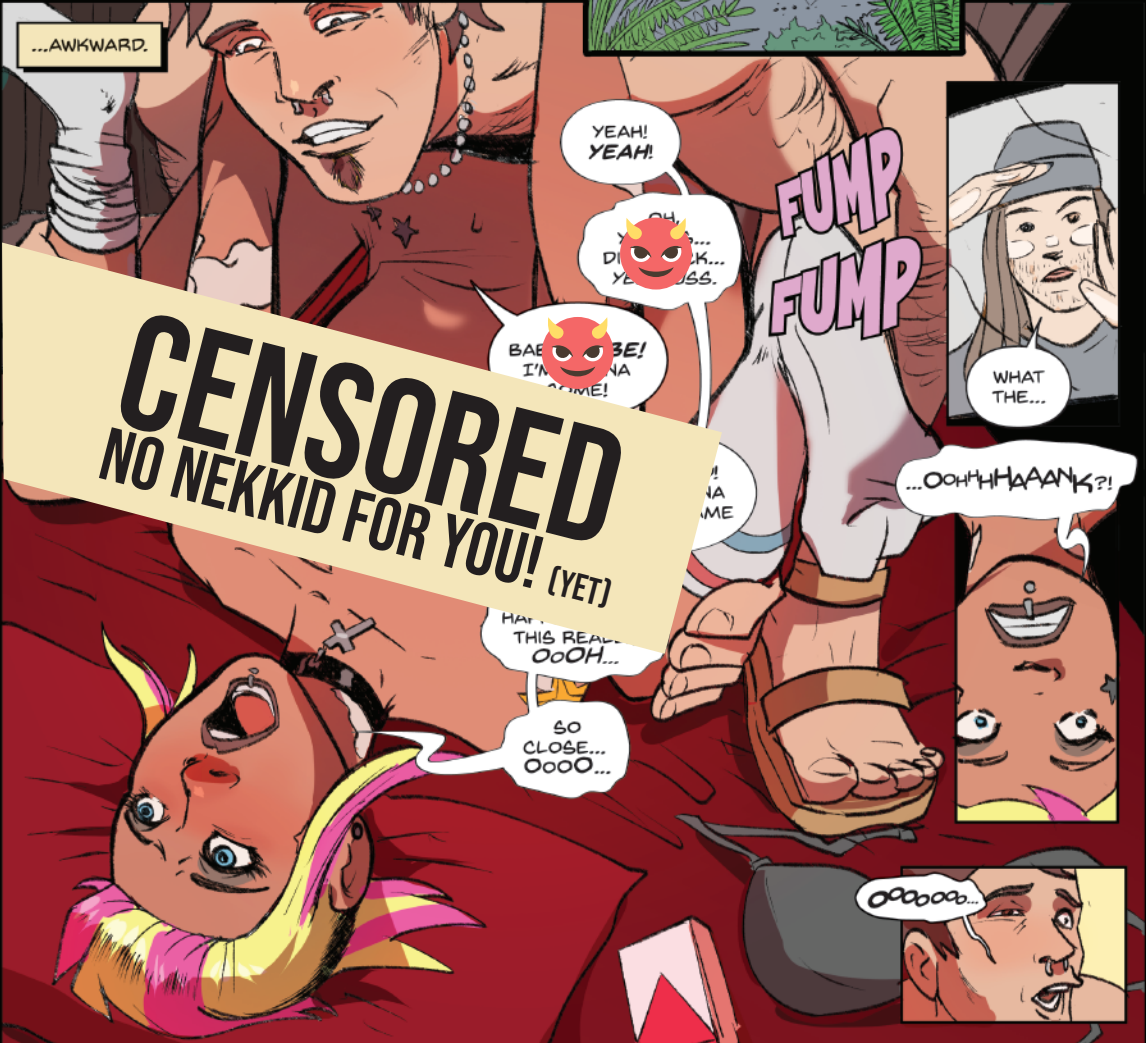
THE ONLY CIGS WITH A GRAM OF HELLFIRE CHARCOAL INSIDE.



BINGO! MAN, I HOPE I DON'T GO OFF ON HER WHEN I SEE HER. COULD BE...



...AWKWARD.



YEAH! YEAH!

FUMP FUMP

OH... D... K... YE... SS.

BAE... BE! I'M COME!



WHAT THE...

CENSORED
NO NEKKID FOR YOU! (YET)

...OOHHHAANKS?!

HAY... THIS REAL... OOOH...

SO CLOSE... OOOO...

OOOOO...

HAVE MORE MERCY

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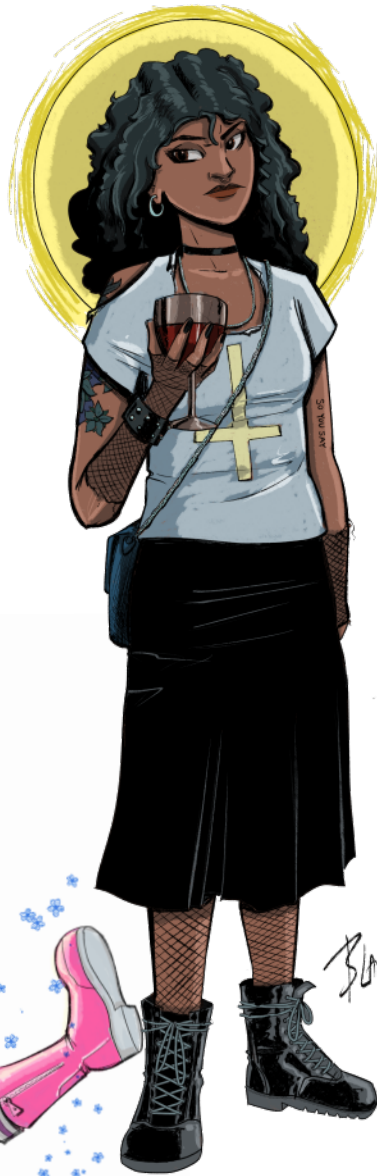
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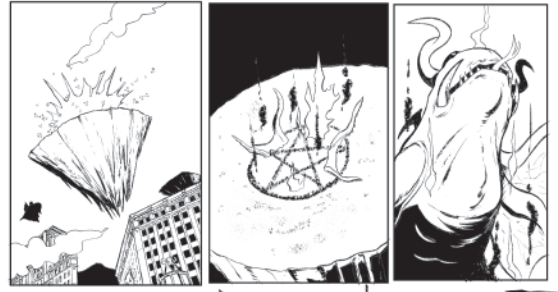


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HANK! IT IS YOU!

I... UH... WELL.

HI.

CAN NEVER UNSEE. EVER.

LOOK, UH, I WAS GONNA BE SO PISSED AT YOU... I JUST...

UHM, LET ME JUST...

Y'KNOW, WHAT'S ONE MORE DAY AFTER FIVE YEARS?

I'LL COME BACK TOMORROW.

SOUNDS, UH, SOUNDS GOOD.

AND JUST LIKE THAT, WE WERE TOGETHER AGAIN. "REUNITED, AND IT FEELS SO..." LET'S JUST SAY 'FAMILIAR.'

TOMORROW.

UH, BABE, I'M JUST GONNA RUN TO THE, UH, FOOD.. PLACE? WHILE YOU MEET WITH THIS GUY I'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE?

YEAH, COOL, COOL. GO KILL A COUPLE HOURS, TRISTAN? PLEASE?

FOR YOU, BABE.

K BYE!

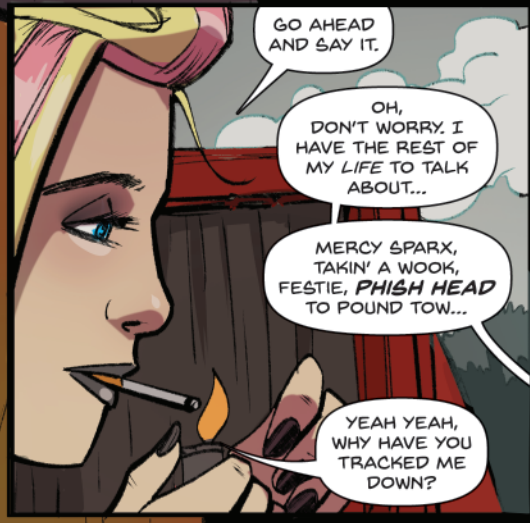


WELL, SO, UH, HI? HOPE YOU AND "TRISTAN" ARE BEING SAFE?

HA! MERE MORTAL BABY BATTER IN THIS DEVIL WOMB?

THOSE LITTLE SWIMMERS FRY UP REAL QUICK.

WELL, GUESS I LEARNED SOMETHING TODAY.

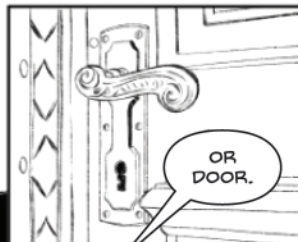


GO AHEAD AND SAY IT.

OH, DON'T WORRY. I HAVE THE REST OF MY LIFE TO TALK ABOUT...

MERCY SPARK, TAKIN' A WOOL, FESTIE, PHISH HEAD TO POUND TOW...

YEAH YEAH, WHY HAVE YOU TRACKED ME DOWN?



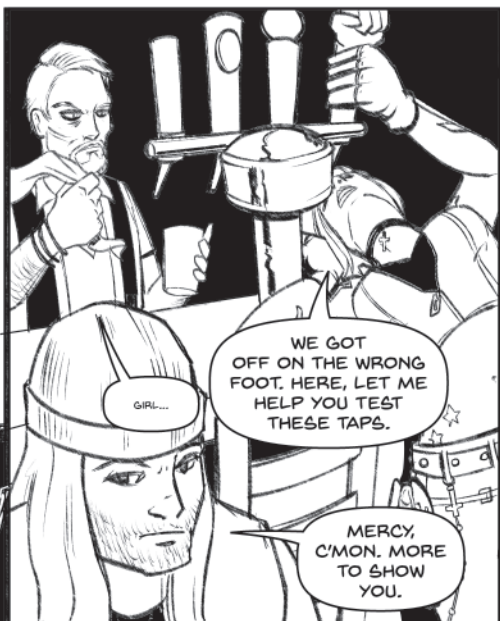


UH, WHO'S THE CREEPER? CAN WE IGNORE HIM?

MERCY, THIS IS PIGEON. HE WORKS HERE. AND NO, YOU CAN'T IGNORE HIM.

THIS HER? HMM.

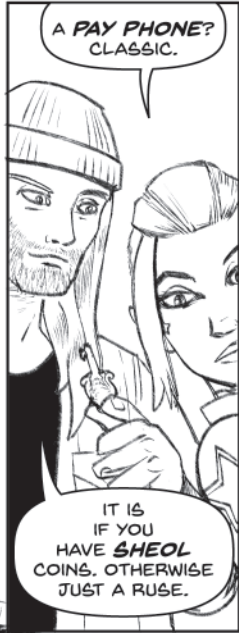
I EXPECTED SOMEONE MORE... PURPOSEFUL.



A PAY PHONE? CLASSIC.

WE GOT OFF ON THE WRONG FOOT. HERE, LET ME HELP YOU TEST THESE TAPS.

MERCY, C'MON. MORE TO SHOW YOU.



IT IS IF YOU HAVE SHEOL COINS. OTHERWISE JUST A RUSE.



THIS PLACE WAS A SPEAKEASY DURING PROHIBITION. THEY CASHED UP TO \$200K PER WEEK IN CHECKS HERE WHEN NO ONE TRUSTED BANKS.

HENCE THIS BITCHIN HIDDEN VAULT DOOR.



OPENING TO... TA-DA!

WOAHHHHH.

IT'S... AN EVEN SHITTIER BAR!

NO, YOU CYNICAL FUCKER.

OUR OWN SHITTY BAT-CAVE?

IT'S OUR OWN DEVIL-CAVE!

DEVIL CAVE.

BRASS KNIVES 2.0
OG IPOD OF DOOM
PENS 13
ASTIAN'S COINZ
ARSENAL
SHITZEN
WICKED GRANULUS
PUBLIC FUCKERY
UNHOLY H2O
Beer Goes Here



OKAY, HANK, YOU OUTDID YOURSELF.

HOW THE HELL'D YOU AFFORD ALL THIS? YOU GO ALL CRYPTO-BRO ON ME?

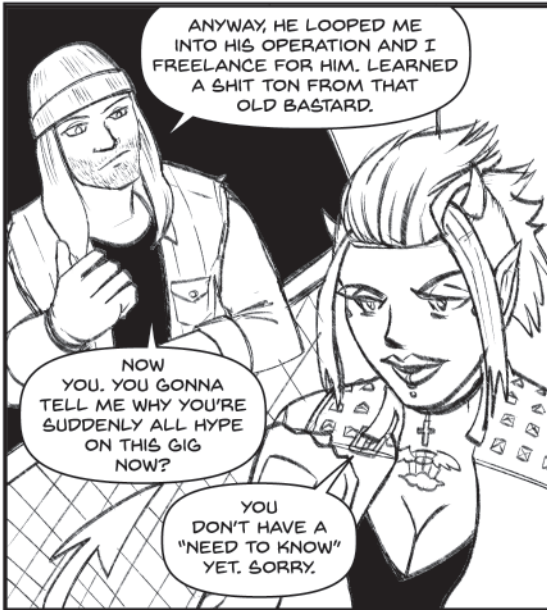
IT WAS WALLACE. HIS REAL ESTATE EMPIRE DOESN'T STOP IN NOLA.

WHEN YOU LEFT, THINGS WERE... WEIRD. THEN COVID HIT AND...



WHAT THE FUCK IS COVID?

SIGH.



ANYWAY, HE LOOPED ME INTO HIS OPERATION AND I FREELANCE FOR HIM. LEARNED A SHIT TON FROM THAT OLD BASTARD.

NOW YOU. YOU GONNA TELL ME WHY YOU'RE SUDDENLY ALL HYPE ON THIS GIG NOW?

YOU DON'T HAVE A "NEED TO KNOW" YET. SORRY.



BUT HEAVEN DID SAY TO BRING SOME OF THESE OLD CHACKIES ALONG.



THIS PLACE IS A TOTAL VIBE, HANK. GOOD JOB.



WAIT. YOU AND WALLACE DON'T HAVE SOME SECRET DICK-MOVE BATMAN PLAN TO TAKE ME DOWN IF I EVER GO OFF SCRIPT, DO YOU?

WHAM



MERCY SPARKX

NO MORE ANGELS LEFT TO FALL



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