

LET ME TELL YOU THIS STORY THE WAY IT WAS TOLD TO ME.
IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT, DON'T SHOOT THE MESSENGER!

SO... THERE'S A PLACE, A UNIVERSE BESIDE OUR OWN, THAT'S CALLED THE **DREAMLANDS**...
FROM WHAT I HEAR, IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A GREAT PLACE TO GET LOST IN...



THE PROBLEM IS, THE "DREAMLANDS" BORDER MANY OTHER UNIVERSES AND REALITIES,
INCLUDING THE ONE THE **OUTER GODS** WERE EXILED TO. THOSE ARE TERRIFYING CREATURES
WHOSE ONLY GOAL IS REACHING OUR DIMENSION, REUNITING WITH THE **GREAT OLD ONES**
(EVEN MORE TERRIFYING CREATURES) AND CAUSING DEATH AND DESTRUCTION.



ANYWAYS, THANKS TO NYARLATHOTEP (ONE OF THE MONSTERS, MOVING FREELY IN THE MULTIVERSE), THE OUTER GODS HAVE BEGUN THEIR INVASION, LEAVING THE DREAMLANDS...

...WHICH THEY RAVAGED...

...AND THEN USED AS A GATEWAY TO OUR REALITY, ENTERING THROUGH PEOPLE'S DREAMS.

DREAMS PROVIDED THEM A WAY IN. THE INVADING ARMIES PASS THROUGH THEM ON THEIR WAY HERE.

BUT REFUGEES FROM THE DREAMLANDS FOUND THEIR WAY THROUGH THAT PASSAGE, TOO.

AMONG THOSE REFUGEES, THERE WERE THREE SURVIVORS FROM THE CITY OF ULTHAR, WHERE NO MAN MAY KILL A CAT (IF YOU EVER HAPPEN TO MEET ONE OF THE "CATS OF ULTHAR," YOU'LL KNOW WHY!).

THEY CAME TO OUR WORLD LOOKING FOR THE DESCENDANTS OF RANDOLPH CARTER, AN ANTIQUE DEALER, THE BEST FRIEND OF A CERTAIN HORROR WRITER, AND OH, ALSO A MULTIVERSAL TRAVELER... WHO HAPPENS TO BE CAPABLE OF WIELDING THIS MYSTICAL SILVER KEY.





