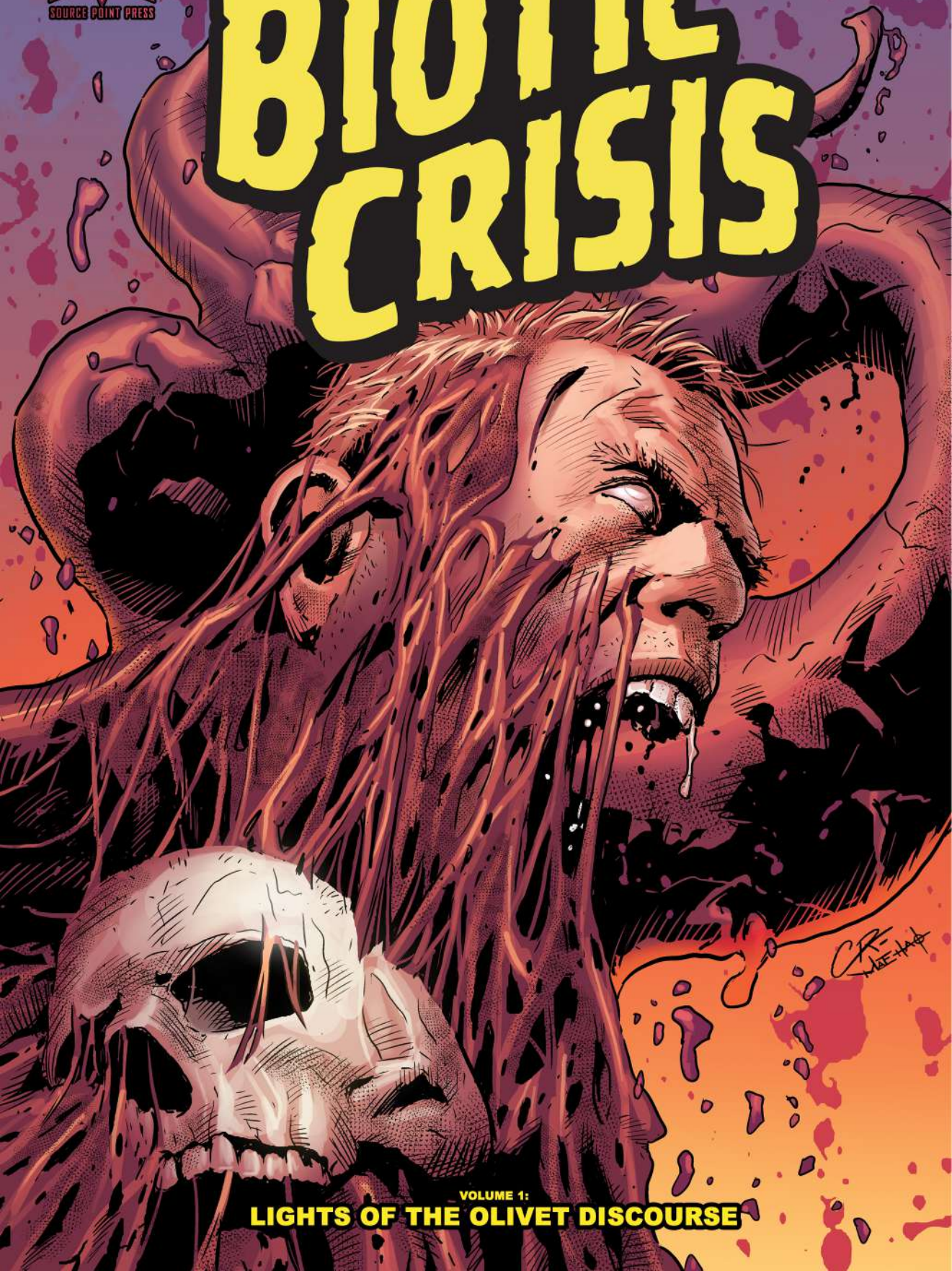




THE BIOTIC CRISIS



VOLUME 1:
LIGHTS OF THE OLIVET DISCOURSE



YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE BETTER THAN ANYONE --

YOUR POINT, SCARANO?

YOU'VE SPENT MOST OF YOUR CAREER STUDYING THEM. WHAT KIND OF RESISTANCE ARE WE FACING?



I'M TALKING NUMBERS, THE KIND OF FIREPOWER THEY POSSESS, TEMPERAMENT, VOLATILITY...

LIKE I SAID, IF THESE [REDACTED] ARE WILLING TO HIT MILITARY BASES TO OBTAIN A BIOLOGICAL AGENT TO BRING WHAT THEY BELIEVE TO BE THE END OF THE WORLD, IT'S SAFE TO SAY THEY'RE GONNA BE LOOKING FOR A FIGHT.



I THINK WHAT THE SERGEANT IS TRYING TO SAY IS THAT WE LET THESE [REDACTED] JIM JONES THEMSELVES.

BUT IF THEY WANNA START [REDACTED] WE AIN'T ABOVE SENDING THEM TO MEET THEIR MAKER.



OH, IS THAT WHAT HE WAS TRYING TO SAY?



THANK YOU FOR CLEARING THAT [REDACTED] UP FOR ME, GOYER. ANYTHING ELSE YOU CARE TO MANSPLAIN WHILE YOU'RE AT IT?



FZZZZZZT



VIKING TWO-ONE, THIS IS VIKING ZERO-ONE. WE'RE IN POSITION!

COPY THAT ZERO-ONE.



ALRIGHT, CHANCES ARE THEY KNOW WE'RE HERE, SO OUR WINDOW IS EXTREMELY LIMITED.

DREJKA, RACCA, AVILES, AND RAMIREZ ARE ALREADY AT THE GATES RESIDENCE.



YOU, SCARANO, CRUZ, GOYER AND I WILL CUT HIM OFF AT THE CHURCH IF HE ATTEMPTS TO FLEE AND BRING HIM TO THE EXFIL POINT.



ANY CHANCE ANY OF THESE DOOMSDAY PLAN ON RELEASING THAT AGENT ON US?

THERE IS.

CHK-CHK



THEN WHY AREN'T WE PREPARING THE CBRN* SUITS?

WON'T MAKE A BIT OF DIFFERENCE.

WELL, ME...

CBRN: (PRONOUNCED C-BURN) HAZMAT SUIT THAT PROTECTS AGAINST CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL & NUCLEAR.

MEANWHILE: OUTSIDE
BOBBY GATES JR.'S HOUSE.









NONE BUT
THE FAITHFUL
BROTHERS AND
SISTERS...

STOP
RESISTING.

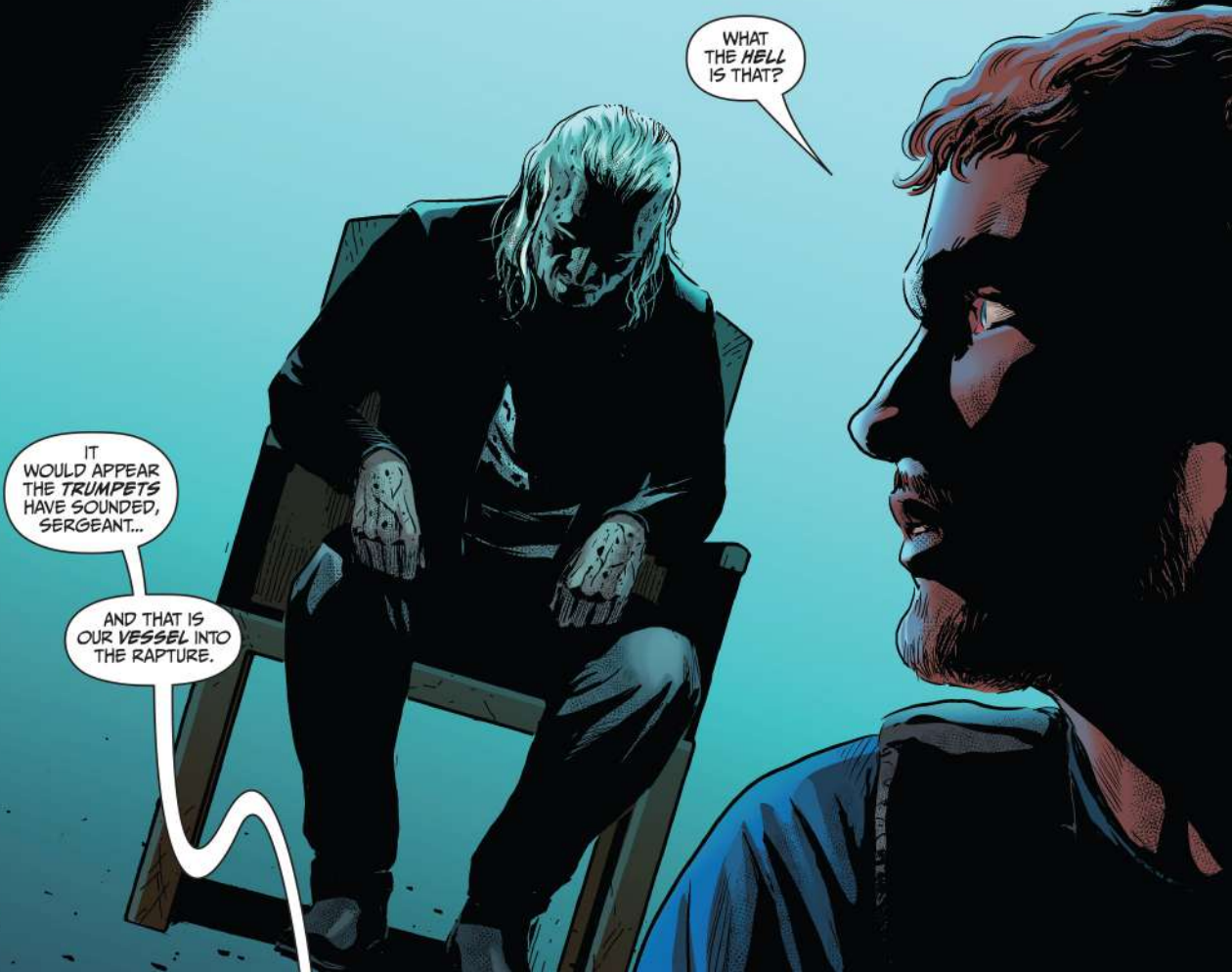


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BUT THE
FAITHFUL.



AND
I SAW THE SEVEN
ANGELS WHO STAND
BEFORE GOD, AND
SEVEN TRUMPETS
WERE GIVEN TO
THEM.

AND THE
SEVEN ANGELS
WHO HAD THE
SEVEN TRUMPETS
PREPARED
THEMSELVES TO
SOUND THEM.



IT
WOULD APPEAR
THE TRUMPETS
HAVE SOUNDED,
SERGEANT...

AND THAT IS
OUR VESSEL INTO
THE RAPTURE.

WHAT
THE HELL
IS THAT?

