

FRANK CASTLE was once a decorated Marine officer, an upstanding citizen and family man. Then his family was violently taken from him when they were accidentally killed in a mob hit. From that day on, Frank Castle shed his old identity and became a force of cold, calculated retribution and vigilantism known as

# THE PUNISHER

PREVIOUSLY

After following a chain of political crime and corruption all the way to Washington, D.C. Frank realized his place wasn't cleaning up the government, but cleaning up the streets. So the Punisher returned to Los Angeles and executed drug lord and government puppet Hector Del Sol for all of L.A. to see. His victory was short-lived, as Officer Stone, once a fan of the Punisher, blamed him for the explosion of gang violence in L.A. and beat both Frank and his coyote Loot nearly to death.

Eight months later, it's not just the people of L.A. that are in danger, but the entire planet! As the end draws near Frank faces the death of everything the only way he knows how...



## FINAL PUNISHMENT: PART ONE

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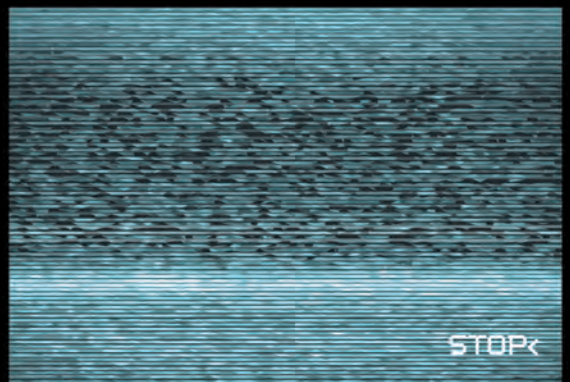
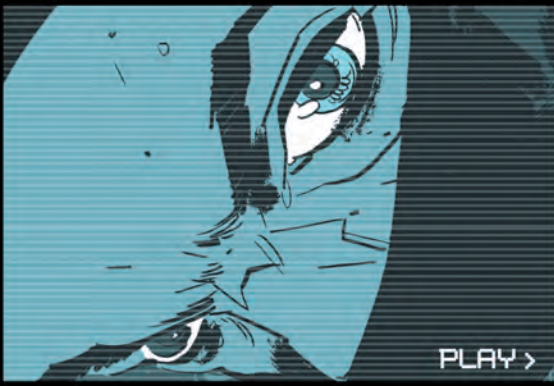
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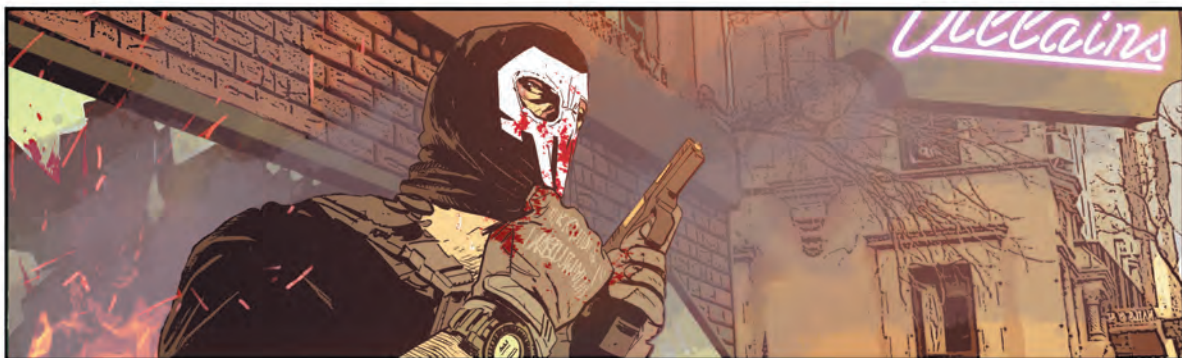
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A RIDE,  
SOLDIER?



I KNOW  
YOU'RE IN THE  
MIDDLE OF, UH,  
GOING OUT WITH  
A BANG.

BETTER  
THAN A  
WHIMPER.

BUT I  
WONDER IF  
YOU'D BE  
INTERESTED  
IN A JOB.

THERE'S  
SOMETHING I  
THOUGHT YOU  
SHOULD SEE.



WHERE  
IS THIS?

TIKRIT.

THAT'S  
A LONG WAY  
OFF.

NOT WITH  
OUR RIDE. IN ALL  
THIS TURMOIL YOU'D  
BE AMAZED HOW EASY  
IT IS TO MAKE OFF  
WITH AN EXPERIMENTAL  
MILITARY HIGH SPEED  
AIRCRAFT.



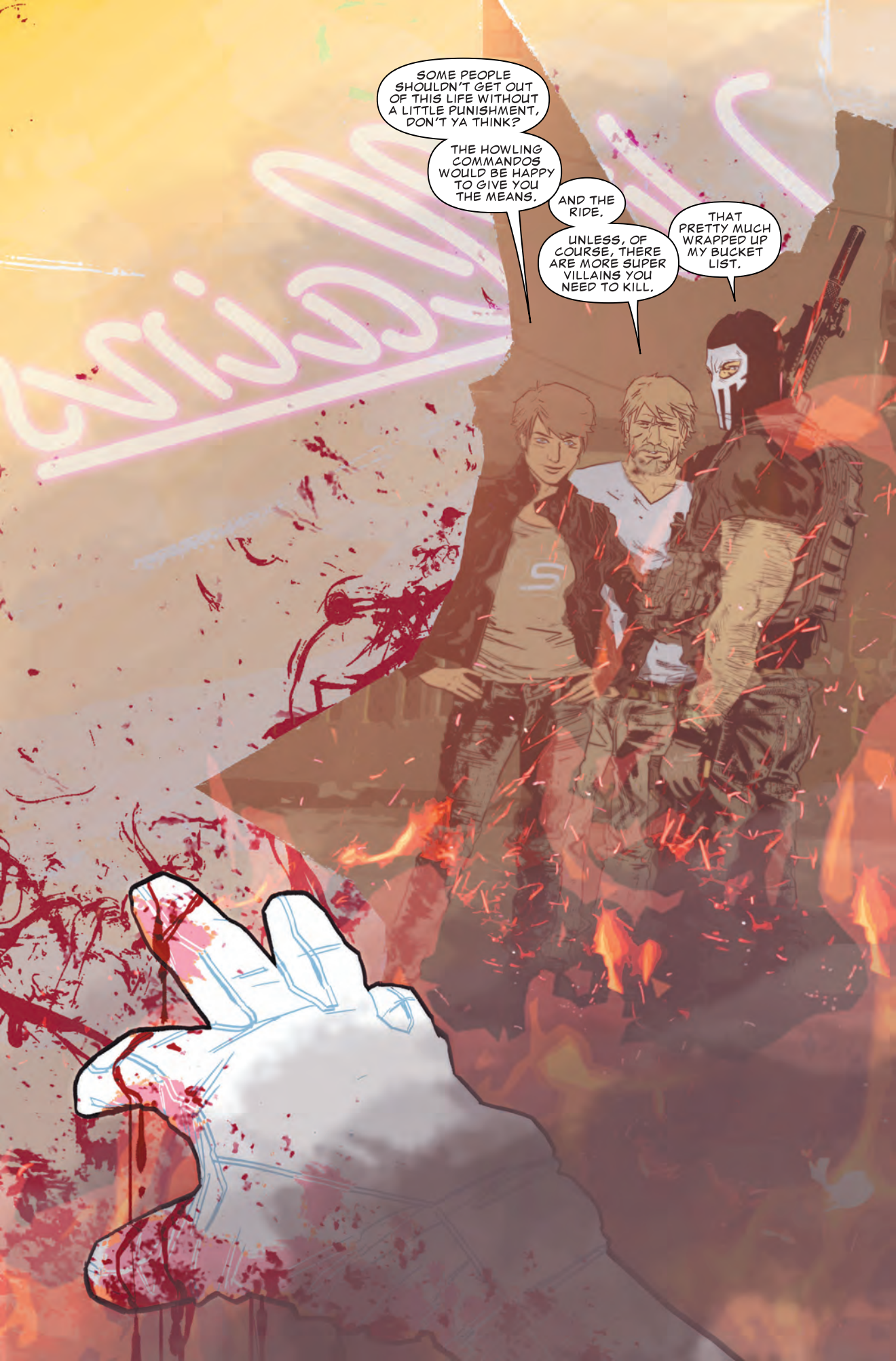
SOME PEOPLE SHOULDN'T GET OUT OF THIS LIFE WITHOUT A LITTLE PUNISHMENT, DON'T YA THINK?

THE HOWLING COMMANDOS WOULD BE HAPPY TO GIVE YOU THE MEANS.

AND THE RIDE.

UNLESS, OF COURSE, THERE ARE MORE SUPER VILLAINS YOU NEED TO KILL.

THAT PRETTY MUCH WRAPPED UP MY BUCKET LIST.



THREE HOURS LATER.  
TIKRIT.

