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THE WAR OF THE REALMS

After laying waste to nine of the Ten Realms, the Dark Elf King Malekith and his powerful allies have finally brought the War of the Realms to Midgard — the last realm standing!

When Malekith's ally the Queen of Cinders threatened to hunt down Laussa, the infant daughter of Odin and Freyja, Lady Freyja sent her son Balder and a team of heroes to guard the babe. And now they're being pursued by the God of War himself, Ares! The former Avenger is desperate to join his son Alexander in the Olympian afterlife, and Sindr has promised to send him there — in exchange for Laussa.

After running into a squad of Skrulls and a band of ghosts from the Old West, the team discovered that sweet little Laussa has a spot of demon in her blood thanks to the influence of the fire demon Surtur — who just happens to be the Queen of Cinders' dearly departed dad.

Demon or no, Laussa is still Balder's (adorable) baby sister, so the team resolved anew to protect her. But while they were distracted by a convention of henchmen, Ares kidnapped Laussa!

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Chapter Five:

"THE DAUGHTER OF ODIN"

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RARGH!

SILENCE!



RAAR
KSHSS
WHAM

CEASE YOUR
CATERWAULING!
I CANNOT HEAR
THE QUEEN OF
CINDERS!



YOU WERE
SAYING?

I WAS
SAYING: NOW
THAT YOU ARE FREE
OF BALDER AND HIS
ALLIES, I CAN OPEN
THE BLACK
BIFROST...

...SO THAT
YOU CAN BRING
THE BABY TO
ME.



DOES ALEXANDER
KNOW THAT HE AND
I WILL BE REUNITED
SOON?

ALEXAN--
OH! YES! OF
COURSE! YES! HE
SAYS HE'S...VERY
PLEASED.

WHAT? ARE
YOU WITH HIM
NOW? COULD I...
SPEAK TO
HIM?

YOU
WILL SEE HIM
AS SOON AS YOUR
TASK IS FINISHED,
FOOL!

THIS
CONVERSATION
IS OVER!



ARGH!

CRASH



DO YOU
TAKE DELIGHT
IN DESTRUCTION,
BRAT?

NAH...

EHEH EHEH







A PACIFIST
AGAINST THE GOD
OF WAR?

IT SOUNDS
LIKE THE BEGINNING
OF A JOKE.

SSILLLLAAAAAMMM

MMMM



...YEAH...
GOOD ONE...
HARDY-HAR-
HAR...

TELL
ME--



--HOW
COULD A
PACIFIST POSSIBLY
HOPE TO PROTECT
A BABY FROM
ME?



MOVIE
MAGIC,
JAGWEED.



THAT
MAGIC WILL
COST YOU YOUR
LIFE, YOU...YOU...
ACTOR!



HONESTLY,
ARES--



--PUNCHING
A GUY HOLDING
A BABY?

GAH!



I MEAN,
WHO DOES
THAT?



SO, KID...
YOU'RE NO
DOUBT ASKING
YOURSELF:
"HOW DID
SPIDER-MAN
HEROICALLY
APPEAR LIKE
THAT TO SAVE
ME?"

"IS IT AT
ALL POSSIBLE
THAT HE WAS
CLOAKED, RIDING
ON WONDER MAN'S
BACK THE WHOLE
TIME?"



YES, LAUSSA,
THERE IS A
SPIDER-MAN...

FLIP