



GRANT?

GRANT,
WAKE UP.

AGONY, HEAD PULSING,
BLOOD IN MY MOUTH,
SMELL OF BURNING--

--A TERRIFIC START.

THIS IS NOT GOING TO SPOIL MY BRIGHT NEW TOMORROW.

NO.

JUST A MINOR SETBACK.

WHAT HAPPENED?

WE WERE HIT WITH AN EXPLOSIVE AS SOON AS WE ARRIVED.

WON'T LET THIS [REDACTED] ON MY BIG TRIUMPHANT HERO MOMENT.

I'M GOING TO SAVE MY CREW AND RETURN HOME WITH THE KEY TO UNLOCKING ALL OF MANKIND'S PROBLEMS...

...OR THE PANDORA'S BOX THAT WIPES OUT ALL OF MANKIND.

ONE OF THOSE.

THE PILLAR ENGINE?

FORTY SECONDS AWAY FROM QUANTUM CORE MELTDOWN.

NO BIG DEAL.

DO WE KNOW WHICH OF THE SUITS WE TRACKED?

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL.

OKAY.

NOT AN ISSUE.



THERE'S A SOLUTION TO EVERY PROBLEM.

I DETECT MULTIPLE LIFE FORMS... MANY MORE DEAD THAN ALIVE.

DOESN'T MATTER WHAT'S OUT THERE.



ONE OF MY TEAM IS STUCK IN IT.

HOW FAR TO THE SUIT'S BEACON?

LESS THAN A MILE.

OKAY.

NOT TOO FAR.



THE MAGICAL GODHEAD ON TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN CLEARED UP MY BLUES.

NOT LETTING THE DESTRUCTION OF THIS PILLAR IN A WORLD FULL OF DEAD BODIES GET ME DOWN.

DETECTING MULTIPLE ENERGY LEAKS IN THE QUANTUM DRIVE.

GOT IT.

GRAB WHATEVER I CAN AND GET OUT.

THE SWORD I USED TO KILL KADIR.

GUILT: DOESN'T HELP THE HAPPY VIBE.



MINOR SETBACK.

SIMPLY FIND ANOTHER WAY TO TEAR THROUGH THE WALLS OF REALITY AND---

YOU---

RUMBLE



YOU HAVEN'T WALKED THE UNBOUND PATH YET---

--THE DRAINS
WILL SOOTHE
YOUR SUFFERING,
GRANT MCKAY.

AND
THERE
IT IS...

...THAT FAMILIAR KICK IN
THE [REDACTED] OF ENDLESS

YOU WHO
BROUGHT
US PIL'AR!

YOU HAVE
EARNED
THE RESTFUL
RELEASE!

[REDACTED]
DISORIENTED--
SWING GOES
WIDE.

NO PROBLEM.

EVERYTHING
IS GREAT.

SCOPE LOCATION:
BATTLEFIELD--
TANKS, ARROWS--

--BEEN HERE
BEFORE--

GRANT,
MINIMUM
SAFE DISTANCE
IS FIFTY
FEET--

YOU FIGHT
TO STAY
ALIVE, BUT
YOU ARE
NOT ALIVE,
AVATAR.

YERSAHAH!



THAT IS OUR
GIFT--TO
FREE YOU
FROM
THIS LIE!

--BLACKOUT PAIN.

SPARK, FLUTTERS--



YOU'VE
DONE YOUR
PART.

GET OUT OF
MY HEAD!

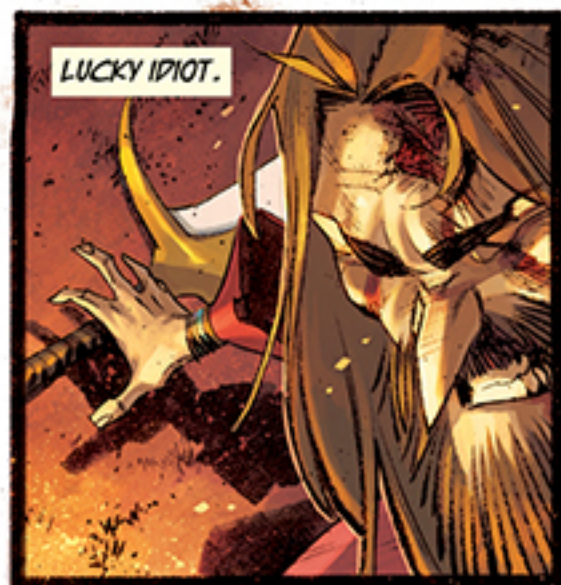
CALM
YOURSELF.

BE GLAD
FOR YOUR
TRUE
BIRTH.



GRADOOM!

PILLAR ENGINE
GOES BOOM.



LUCKY IDIOT.



SKREE--!

SHAWKK

IDIOT: NEVER CONSIDERED
THE HANDHELD PILLAR I LOST.



MILLIPEDES: EXPANDING/GROWING.
THEY SHOULDN'T BE HERE.

INTERPRET: SHAWN SAID THE
MILLIPEDES WERE A DEATH CULT.

A DEATH CULT WITH A
PILLAR I DROPPED.

BUT WHAT ARE
THEY DOING HERE?

ONLY ONE ANSWER:



BLACK

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