



THERE IS BUT
ONE GREAT TRUTH
IN THIS LIFE:

THE HIGHER YOU
ASCEND, THE
FURTHER YOU
MAY FALL.



MY NAME
IS LARKA

AND I HAVE LOST
EVERYTHING.



THOUGH
FALLEN, I AM
NOT BROKEN.

I WILL CLAW
MY WAY BACK
UP FROM THE
BOTTOM.

FIND THE
TRUTH I SEEK.



I AM LARKA, BUT
ONCE I HAD A
DIFFERENT NAME.



HALT!
ENOUGH OF
THIS.
RETURN
TO THE
BARRACKS.

ONCE I WAS CALLED
DEJAH THORIS,
PRINCESS OF
BARSOOM.

BUT THAT LIFE IS
NO LONGER MINE.

TOMORROW YOU'LL
BE ASSIGNED TO YOUR
UNITS...ASSUMING YOU
SURVIVE THE NIGHT.

NOW I AM LARKA,
AND I HAVE FALLEN
SO VERY FAR.



DAYS AGO

ANOTHER PERFECT
BARSOOM SUNRISE.
I WILL NEVER TIRE
OF THE VIEW FROM
THIS BALCONY.



THANA, YOU
NEEDN'T FUSS OVER
CLEANING ANY LONGER. YOUR
PRINCESS REQUIRES YOUR
ACCOMPANIMENT.

YES, YOUR
HIGHNESS...ALMOST
DONE...



ENOUGH OF THAT.
YOU KNOW YOU MAY
CALL ME DEJAH.

I KNOW, YOUR
HIGHNESS. YOU ARE
VERY KIND...BUT IT IS
NOT MY PLACE...

HUSH NOW. LET
US BE FREE OF THE
CONFINES OF THIS
ROOM...





...AND VENTURE
OUT INTO THE
BEAUTY OF
HELIUM!

AS PRINCESS,
IT IS MY DUTY TO
TEND TO THE NEEDS
OF MY PEOPLE.



THIS PLACE...IT IS
AT THE CENTER OF
EVERYTHING.

TRULY HELIUM IS NOT ONLY
MY HOME, BUT MY WORLD.
HERE I CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE.

WITH YOUR
SHARP MIND AND
ABILITIES, I HAVE
NO DOUBT YOUR
ACTIONS IMPACT
US ALL, YOUR
HIGHNESS.

YOU FLATTER
ME, THANA.
BUT NOW WE
SHALL—

PRINCESS.



PLEASE STOP WHAT
YOU'RE DOING AND
COME WITH US.

YOUR IMMEDIATE
PRESENCE IS
REQUIRED IN THE
THRONE ROOM.

ANOTHER
DAY DARKENED
BY POLITICS.
LET US BE ON
OUR WAY.



I AM AT
A LOSS.

WE MUST FIND
THE TRUTH OF
WHAT HAPPENED
HERE, WE MUST--

JOHN!

WHAT'S GOING
ON HERE? WHY IS
THE ROYAL THRONE
UNOCCUPIED?

DEJAH, MY
LOVE.

I'M SORRY
TO SUMMON YOU
SO URGENTLY,
BUT...THERE'S
BEEN AN
INCIDENT.

TELL ME WHAT
HAS TRANSPIRED.

HE'S GONE.

WE DON'T
KNOW HOW
OR WHY...

...BUT IT'S
YOUR FATHER.
OUR JED.