



OKAY, THIS IS STARTING TO RING A BELL.

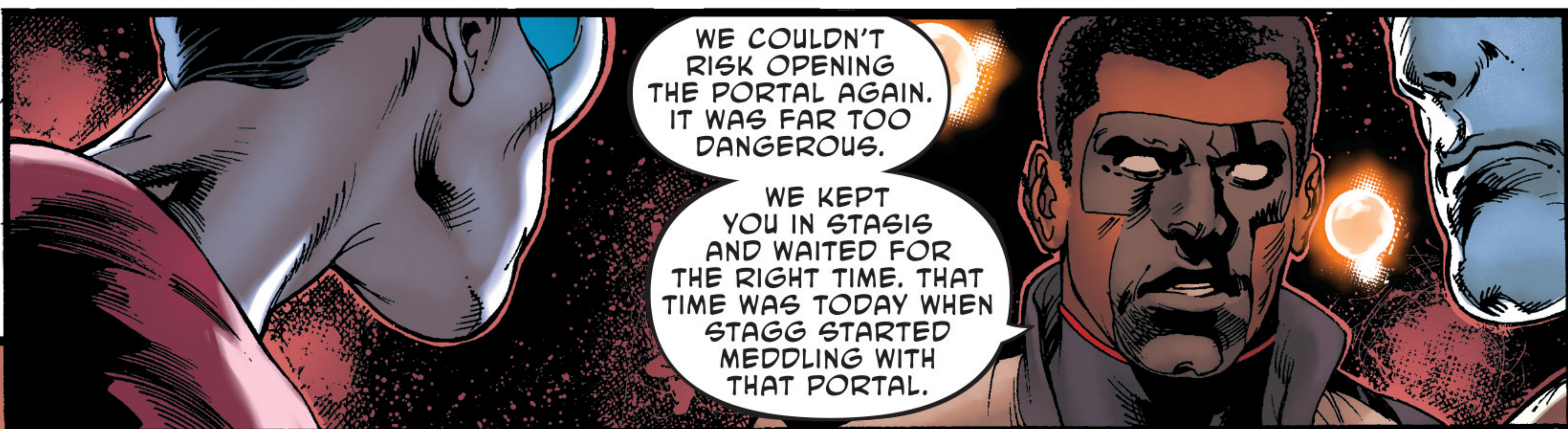
I REMEMBER BATS TALKING ABOUT THIS DARK MULTIVERSE STUFF. HE SAID IT WAS LIKE A FLIP SIDE...A TWISTED NIGHTMARE REFLECTION OF UNFORMED WORLDS AND WHATEVER.

A BIT OF AN OVERSIMPLIFICATION.

BUT I SUPPOSE THAT IS A FAIRLY ACCURATE STARTING POINT.

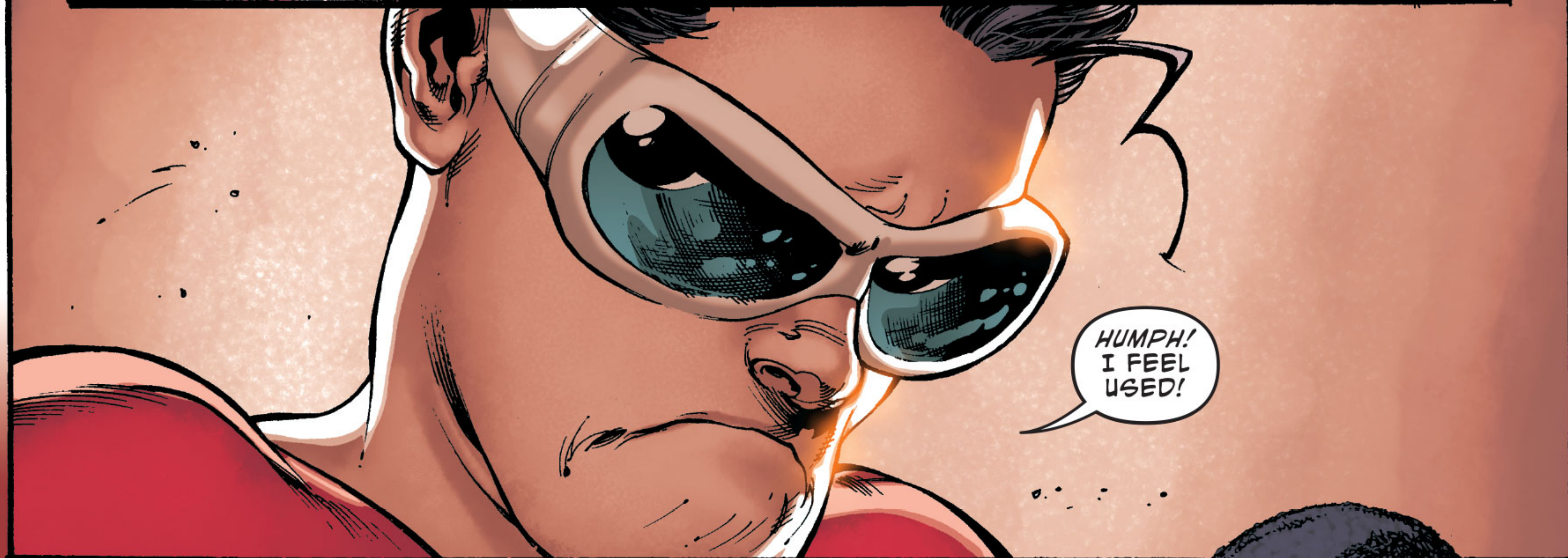


WAIT-- SO WHAT, YOU AND BATMAN JUST LEFT ME ASLEEP LIKE THAT?!

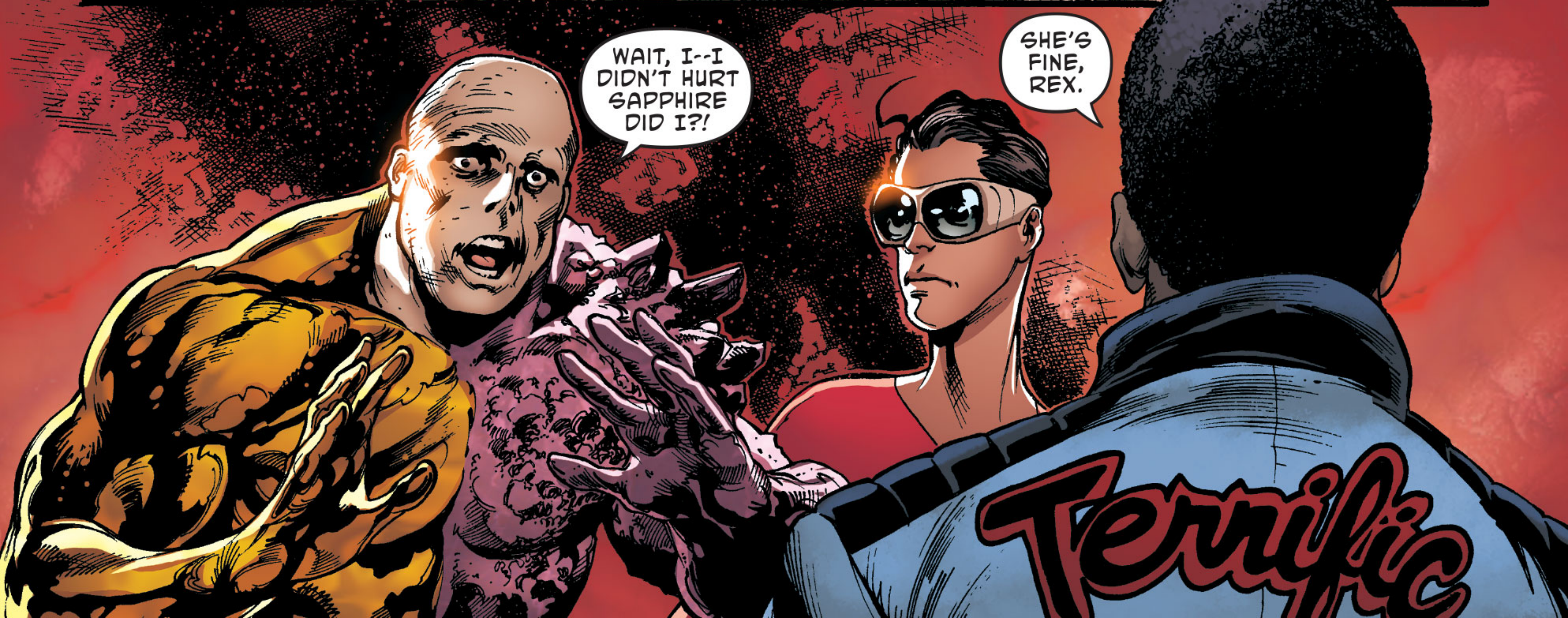


WE COULDN'T RISK OPENING THE PORTAL AGAIN. IT WAS FAR TOO DANGEROUS.

WE KEPT YOU IN STASIS AND WAITED FOR THE RIGHT TIME. THAT TIME WAS TODAY WHEN STAGG STARTED MEDDLING WITH THAT PORTAL.



HUMPH! I FEEL USED!



WAIT, I--I DIDN'T HURT SAPPHIRE DID I?!

SHE'S FINE, REX.

Terrific



WHAT'S THAT THING DOING THAT FOR?



IT'S PICKING UP SOME SORT OF MULTIVERSAL *BEACON* FROM THE LANDMASS BELOW US. BUT THAT...

...THAT'S THEORETICALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

THERE SHOULD BE *NO LIFE* FROM THE MULTIVERSE LEFT IN THIS PLACE. EXCEPT US, OF COURSE.



PLASTIC MAN, CAN YOU BRING US DOWN?

GEE, I DUNNO KNOW, MR. *FAIR PLAY*, AM I GOING TO TURN INTO A GIANT EGG AGAIN FOR A FEW YEARS IF I LISTEN TO YOU?

THAT IS UNLIKELY.



YOU WANT TO BE PUT TO SLEEP, I CAN HELP WITH THAT, RUBBER LIPS.

JUST DO WHAT HE SAYS SO WE CAN GET OUT OF HERE, WOULD YA?



WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO GO OUT THERE.

REX, YOU CAN USE YOUR ELEMENTAL POWERS TO STAY SAFE. AN EVEN MIXTURE OF MAGNESIUM, CARBON AND TITANIUM SHOULD BE IMPERVIOUS TO THE EFFECTS OF THE DARK ENERGY HERE.

STAGG SHOULD HAVE CALCULATED THAT *BEFORE* HE PUT YOU IN CONTACT WITH THE PORTAL.



YEAH, THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS OLD STAGG IS GONNA ANSWER FOR WHEN I GET BACK, TRUST ME.

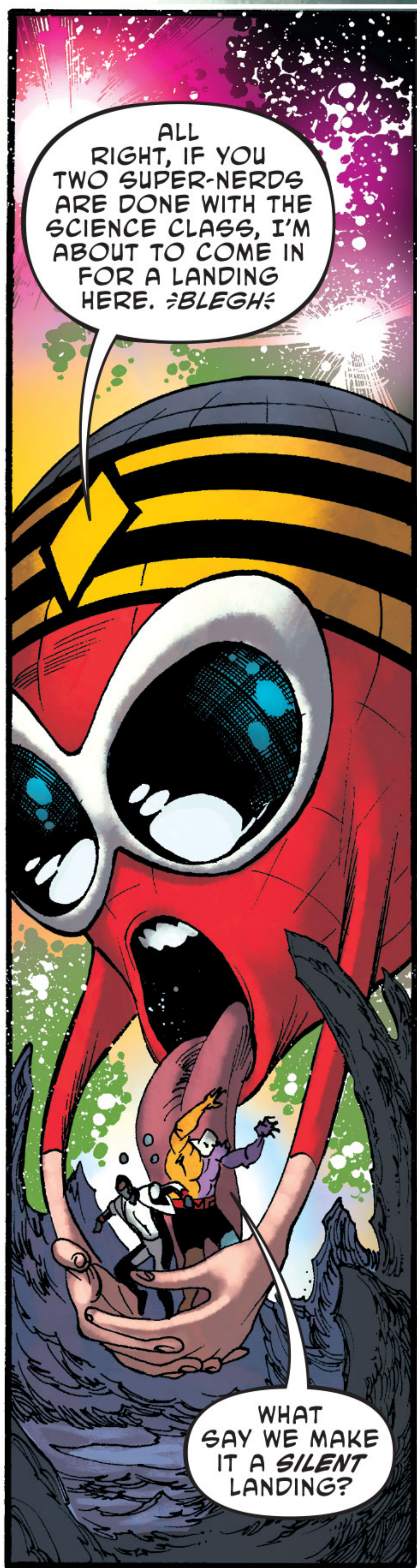
ANYWAY, THANKS FOR THE HEADS UP.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?



NOW THAT I'VE HAD TIME TO PREPARE, I HAVE CALIBRATED MY T-SPHERES TO PROJECT A FORCE FIELD AROUND ME.

I SHOULD BE SAFE AS WELL.



ALL RIGHT, IF YOU TWO SUPER-NERDS ARE DONE WITH THE SCIENCE CLASS, I'M ABOUT TO COME IN FOR A LANDING HERE. *BLEGH!*

WHAT SAY WE MAKE IT A *SILENT* LANDING?



YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE A REAL ATTITUDE PROBLEM, METAMORPHO.



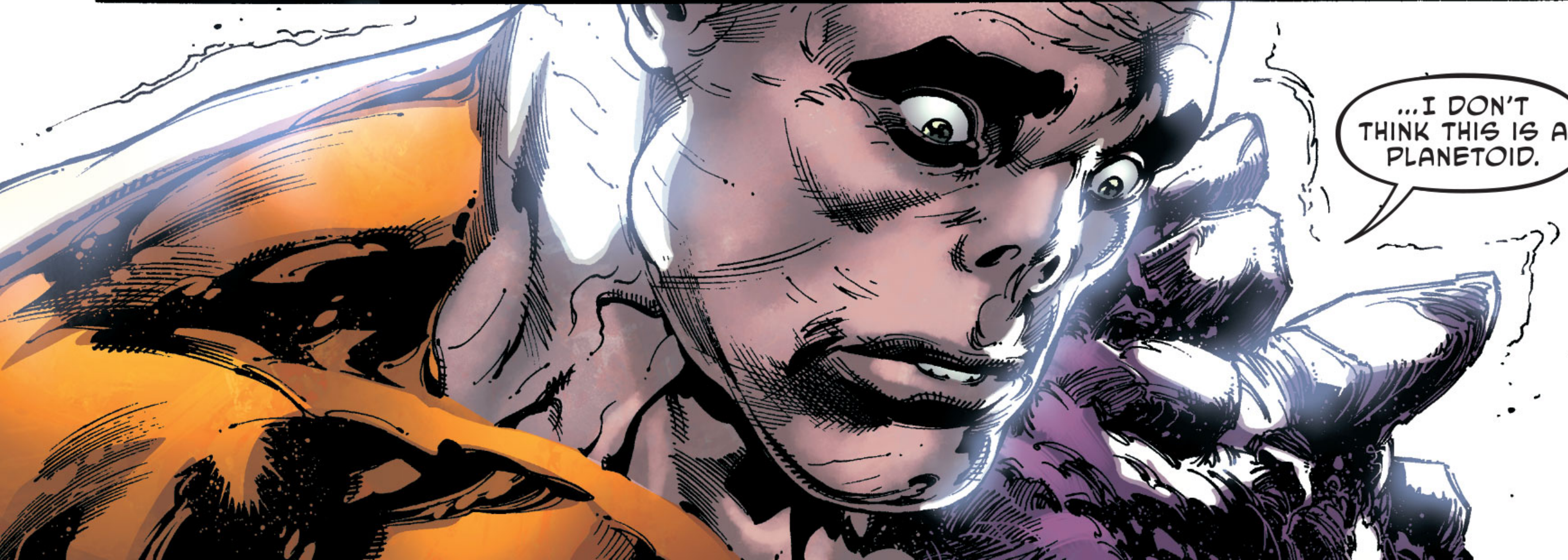
YEAH, I KNOW.

IT'S PART OF MY CHARM.

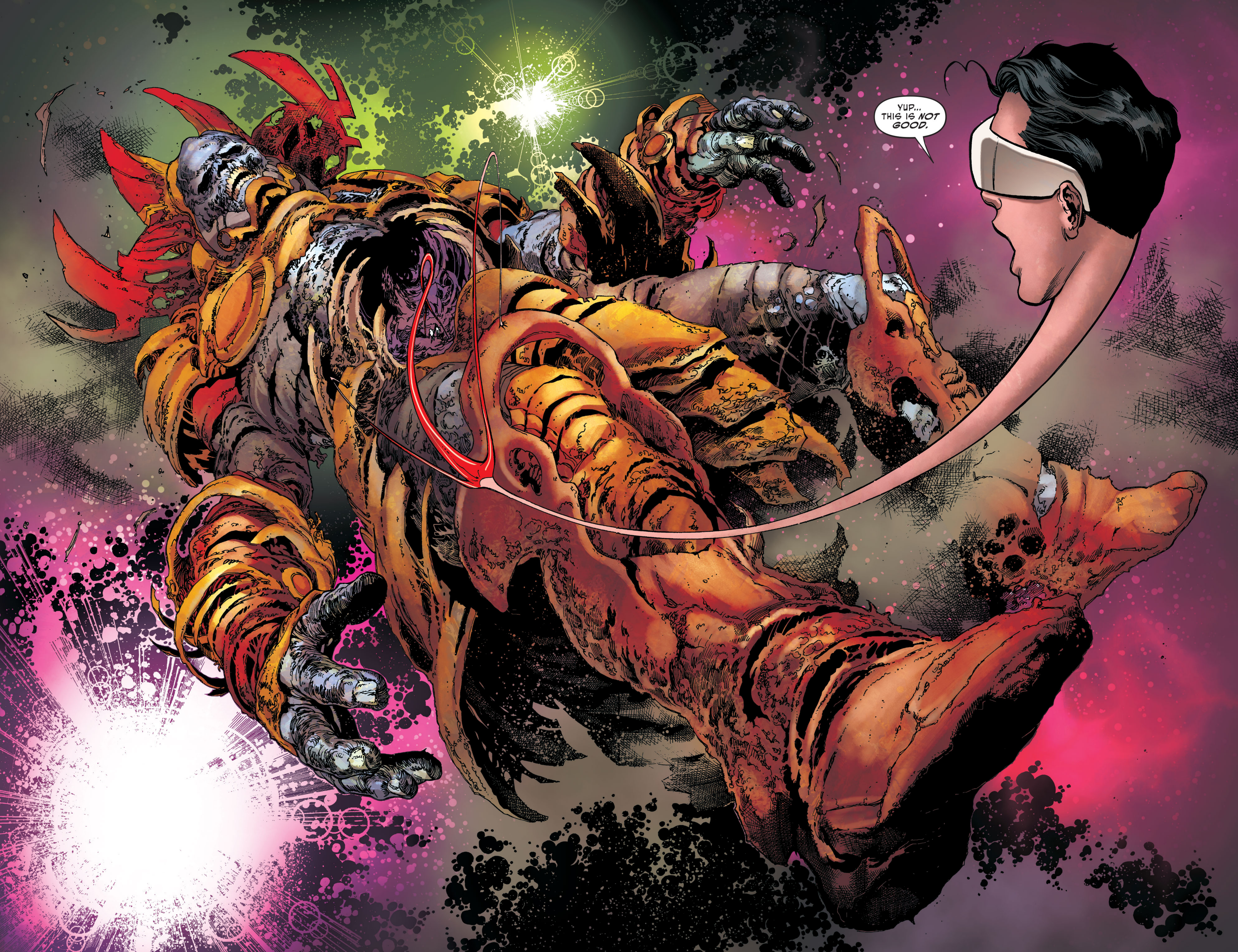
THIS WAY, THE T-SPHERES ARE LEADING US TO THE SOURCE OF THE BEACON. IT'S ONLY A MILE OR SO AWAY ACROSS THIS PLANETOID.



UM, GUYS...



...I DON'T THINK THIS IS A PLANETOID.



YUP...
THIS IS NOT
GOOD.