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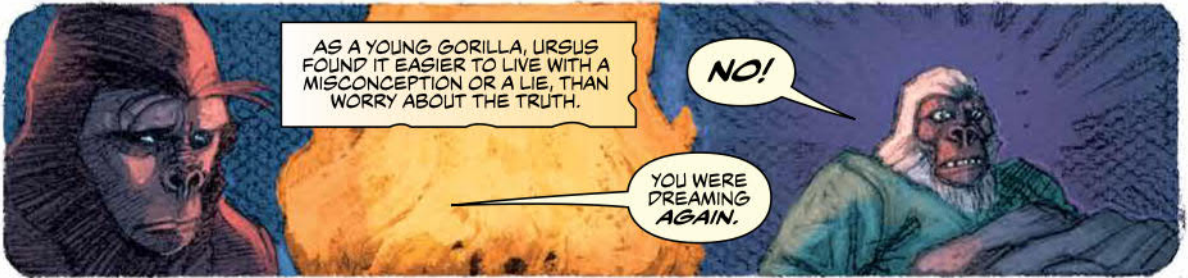
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20th
CENTURY
FOX

MANY YEARS AGO.

URSUS NEVER KNEW HIS **TRUE** PARENTS. HE HAD BEEN ADOPTED WHEN HE WAS STILL AN INFANT.

HIS GUARDIAN, KANANAIOS, **MAY** HAVE BEEN HIS UNCLE, OR A FAMILY FRIEND, OR A STRANGER.





THERE, DO YOU SEE, URSUS?

YES, KANANAIOS, I SEE...



...BUT THERE ARE MORE OF THE ANIMALS THAN THERE ARE OF US.

NOT US.

YOU.



THAT IS THE WILL OF THE LAWGIVER.



ME?



IT'S DONE.



THE LAWGIVER IS PLEASED. I AM PLEASED.

THANK YOU.



I AM BUT THE MESSENGER.

THIS IS YOUR HOLY MISSION....

...SO SAYS THE LAWGIVER.

IT IS AS I SAY...

...THE ONLY GOOD HUMAN...

...IS A DEAD HUMAN.

NOW.

IT WAS OFTEN SAID, IN *AMUSED* WHISPERS THROUGHOUT APE CITY, THAT GENERAL URSUS AND DR. ZAIUS BICKERED LIKE AN OLD MARRIED COUPLE.

LISTEN TO IT--IT MAKES NO SENSE, ZAIUS.

I'M TRYING TO LISTEN, URSUS BUT YOU KEEP TALKING.

THEY KNEW EACH OTHER BEFORE EITHER HAD A TITLE IN FRONT OF THEIR NAME-- MORE THAN *HALF* THEIR LIVES...

OKAY... I KNOW WHAT HAPPENED... THE OXYGEN MIX IN MY HYPER-SLEEP CHAMBER IS MALFUNCTIONING-- I'M NOT GETTING ENOUGH AIR.

THAT'S WHAT THIS IS--AN OXYGEN DEPRIVATION-FUELED HALLUCINATION. WE WERE WARNED ABOUT THIS IN TRAINING.

OH GOD...

FOR A BRIEF FRACTION OF THAT TIME, THEY WERE FRIENDS.

...I'M GOING TO DIE IF SOMEONE DOESN'T STABILIZE MY O-2... DIE IN THIS INSANE NIGHTMARE.

I'VE GOT TO HOLD ON TO MYSELF.

MY NAME IS JOHN LANDON.

RESPECT CAME ONLY WHEN IT SERVED A PURPOSE.

I AM AN ASTRONAUT ON A DEEP SPACE MISSION. THE OXYGEN LEVELS IN MY HYPER-SLEEP CHAMBER ARE OFF BALANCE.

RIGHT NOW THIS IS A DREAM, BUT **BRAIN DAMAGE** WILL SET IN IF I DON'T GET THE PROPER OXYGEN LEVELS.

I NEED TO GET THE ATTENTION OF TAYLOR OR DODGE OR STEWART--ONE OF THEM CAN HELP.

DID YOU HEAR WHAT IT SAID, ZAIUS?



ONE OF THEM CAN HELP? THERE ARE MORE.

THE CREATURE IS DELUSIONAL URSUS. YOU SAID IT YOURSELF--IT MAKES NO SENSE.

RESPECT CAME AS GRUDGINGLY AS IT CAME INFREQUENTLY.



I WILL GET ANSWERS FROM THE BEAST.

URSUS!



WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?!

I JUST WANT TO SEE MY WIFE--MY FAMILY.



KRAK



YOU CAN TALK...

CHOK



THWAM



...ANSWER ME!