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SUPERIOR IRON MAN

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BE SUPERIOR



Tony Stark is a technological visionary...a famous, wealthy and unparalleled inventor. With the world's most advanced and powerful suit of armor, Stark has valiantly protected the innocent as the golden Avenger known as IRON MAN.

A recent battle with a mentally powered villain has altered Stark's mind. With a more arrogant and aggressive personality surfacing, Stark used San Francisco to beta test his newest invention: the EXTREMIS 3.0 App. It can improve people's lives, making them more attractive, smarter, and healthier...for a **cost**.

As Tony's behavior became increasingly erratic and immoral, Pepper Potts activated a fail-safe that Tony himself made eight years prior; a full backup copy of Tony's mind. Operating from within empty armor, the copy was intended to fix Tony—or replace him. In Resilient's space station, the copy entered Tony's mind to determine if he was a lost cause, only to discover that Tony's plan to improve the Earth included engineering the 'sacrifice' of a percentage of the population. Before the copy could act, however, Tony shorted out its armor and prepared to continue on the warpath toward Pepper Potts...

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TONY? TONY!

DAMN
IT!

WHAT
HAPPENED?

WE LOST
COMMUNICATION
WITH THE RESILIENT
SPACE STATION.

WHY ARE
THERE TWO
TONYS?

THE MAN
YOU KNOW IS
NOT TONY STARK.
SOMETHING HAS
CHANGED IN
HIM.

HE SAID
HE WAS
GOING TO
HELP ME.

HE...
MAYBE HE
WAS.

I DON'T
WANT YOU
TO HURT
HIM.

I DON'T
WANT TO HURT
HIM EITHER. BELIEVE
ME. I WANT TO UNDO
WHAT'S BEEN DONE TO
HIM. I JUST WANT
HIM BACK.

I NEED TO
KNOW WHAT'S
HAPPENING UP
THERE.

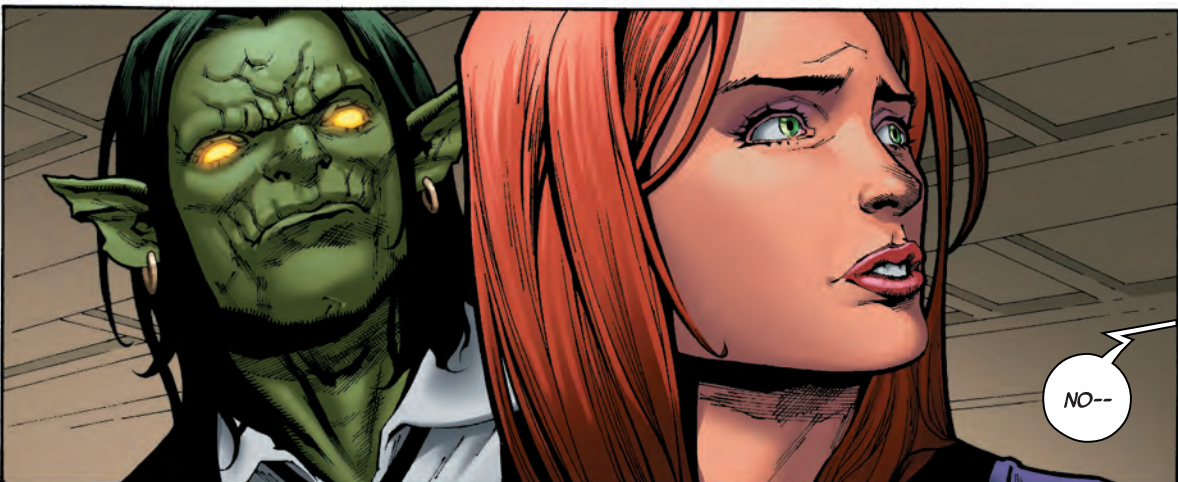
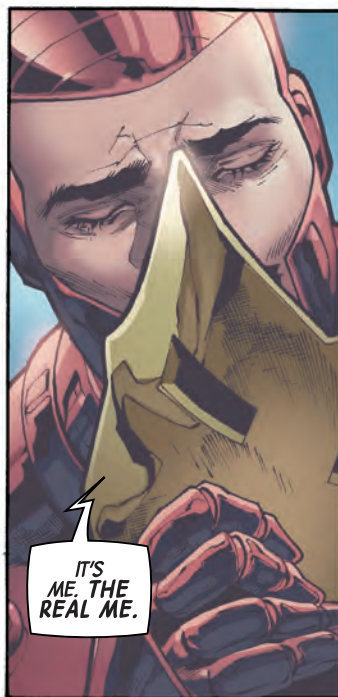
HE CALLED YOU
MY STEP-
MOM.

TK
TK
TK

TK
TK
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YES. IN A
WAY, I GUESS
I AM. AND I
PROMISE WE'LL
TALK AS SOON
AS--

SO ARE
YOU THE
REASON MY
DAD DIDN'T
WANT ME?





--IT'S NOT OVER.

HUH?

HOW MANY TONY'S ARE THERE?

WHAT THE HECK IS GOING ON?

WHAT'S GOING ON IS THERE'S ONLY ONE TONY. THAT ONE IS A DIGITALLY BACKED-UP IMPOSTER TONY.

APPARENTLY WEARING ONE OF MY FAVORITE SUITS.

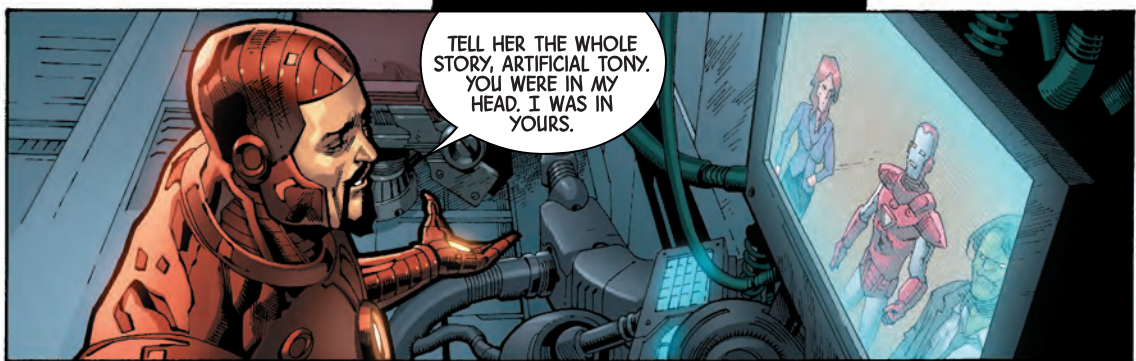
SO, NO MATTER HOW EFFECTIVELY I TAKE HIM DOWN, HIS ENTIRE PROGRAM IS STORED SOMEWHERE, MEANING HE CAN JUST POP UP AGAIN.



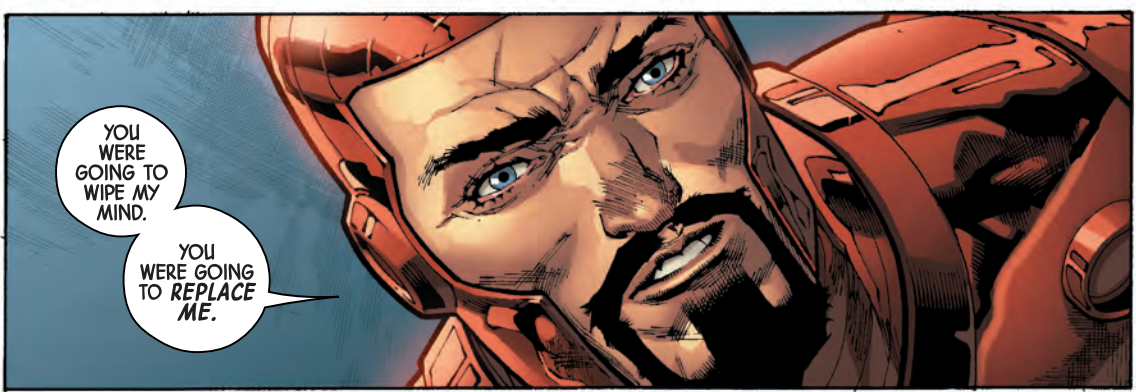
WHAT HAPPENED?

WELL, THE SHOULDER PADS WERE A BOLD CHOICE BUT I WAS FEELING IT AT THE TIME.

A PIECE OF HIS ARMOR GOT IN. HE TOOK OUT THE MARK II'S MEMORY FROM THE INSIDE.



TELL HER THE WHOLE STORY, ARTIFICIAL TONY. YOU WERE IN MY HEAD. I WAS IN YOURS.



YOU WERE GOING TO WIPE MY MIND.

YOU WERE GOING TO REPLACE ME.