

EONS AGO, DURING A WAR BETWEEN THE ANGELS OF THE TENTH REALM KNOWN AS HEVEN AND THE GODS OF ASGARD, THE NEWBORN DAUGHTER OF ASGARD'S RULERS, ODIN AND FREYJA, WAS SEEMINGLY MURDERED BY THE QUEEN OF ANGELS. IN RESPONSE, ODIN BANISHED THE TENTH REALM TO ANOTHER DIMENSION. BUT UNBEKNOWNST TO NEARLY EVERYONE, THE CHILD WAS ACTUALLY SAVED BY ONE OF THE QUEEN'S HANDMAIDENS AND RAISED TO BELIEVE SHE TOO WAS AN ANGEL -- THAT ALDRIF OF ASGARD WAS ANGELA OF HEVEN.

RECENTLY, THOR AND LOKI LEARNED OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE TENTH REALM AND THEIR LOST SIBLING, RESULTING IN BOTH HEVEN'S RETURN TO OUR DIMENSION AND ANGELA'S TRUE IDENTITY BEING REVEALED TO ALL, INCLUDING HERSELF. WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF HER TRUE HERITAGE NOW PUBLIC, ANGELA HAS BEEN CAST OUT OF THE TENTH REALM AND WANTS NOTHING TO DO WITH ASGARD...



...WHICH SEEMS STRANGE, CONSIDERING SHE'S CURRENTLY ON THE RUN WITH HER FRIEND, THE RECENTLY RETURNED-FROM-THE-DEAD SERA, AFTER STEALING ODIN AND FREYJA'S NEW BABY. A FURIOUS THOR (NOW GOING BY ODINSON) SENT THE DEADLY VALKYRIE TRIBE THE DISIR TO RETRIEVE THE CHILD, BUT ANGELA HAD SOME BACKUP OF HER OWN: THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY. THE GUARDIANS HELPED DEFEAT THE DISIR, BUT THEY THEN DEMANDED TO KNOW WHY ANGELA HAD KIDNAPPED HER OWN SISTER. SO ANGELA REVEALED TO THEM THAT THE BABY WAS CURSED WITH THE POWER OF SURTUR, AND THAT HEVEN IS THEIR ONLY HOPE. BUT ONCE THERE, WILL THEY GET RID OF THE CURSE OR JUST GET RID OF THE CHILD?

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DEEP SPACE.

THIS IS HEVEN. SERA AND I ARE EXILES, SO THEY WILL NOT BE EXPECTING OUR PRESENCE. STILL--IF THEY FIND US, THEY WILL PREVENT US FROM REACHING THE CITY'S FURNACE.

SO WE'LL TAKE A DETOUR AND SNEAK IN VIA THE UNDER-CITY OF THE ANCHORITES...

GOO-GOO

THAT GETS US ALL THE WAY TO THE FURNACE. THE OLD GIRL'S ON ITS LAST LEGS, BUT WE CAN STILL USE IT TO SIPHON OUT THE POWER OF SURTUR FROM THE CHILD...

...WITH YONDER MACHINERY, WHICH WE PREPARED IN ADVANCE.

IF WE MESS UP, WE DISCOVER HOW MANY ANGELS CAN DANCE ON OUR RESPECTIVE HEADS IN STOMPY ANGEL STILETTOS.

EVERYONE IN?

IS THAT A WEAPON?

KIND OF LIE DETECTOR.

STAY STILL WHILE WE SCAN THE PAIR OF YOU. YOU'VE KIND OF LOST OUR GOOD GRACES FOR SOME REASON.

K-GLK



ARE YOU GOING TO DO ANYTHING TO ENDANGER THE CHILD?



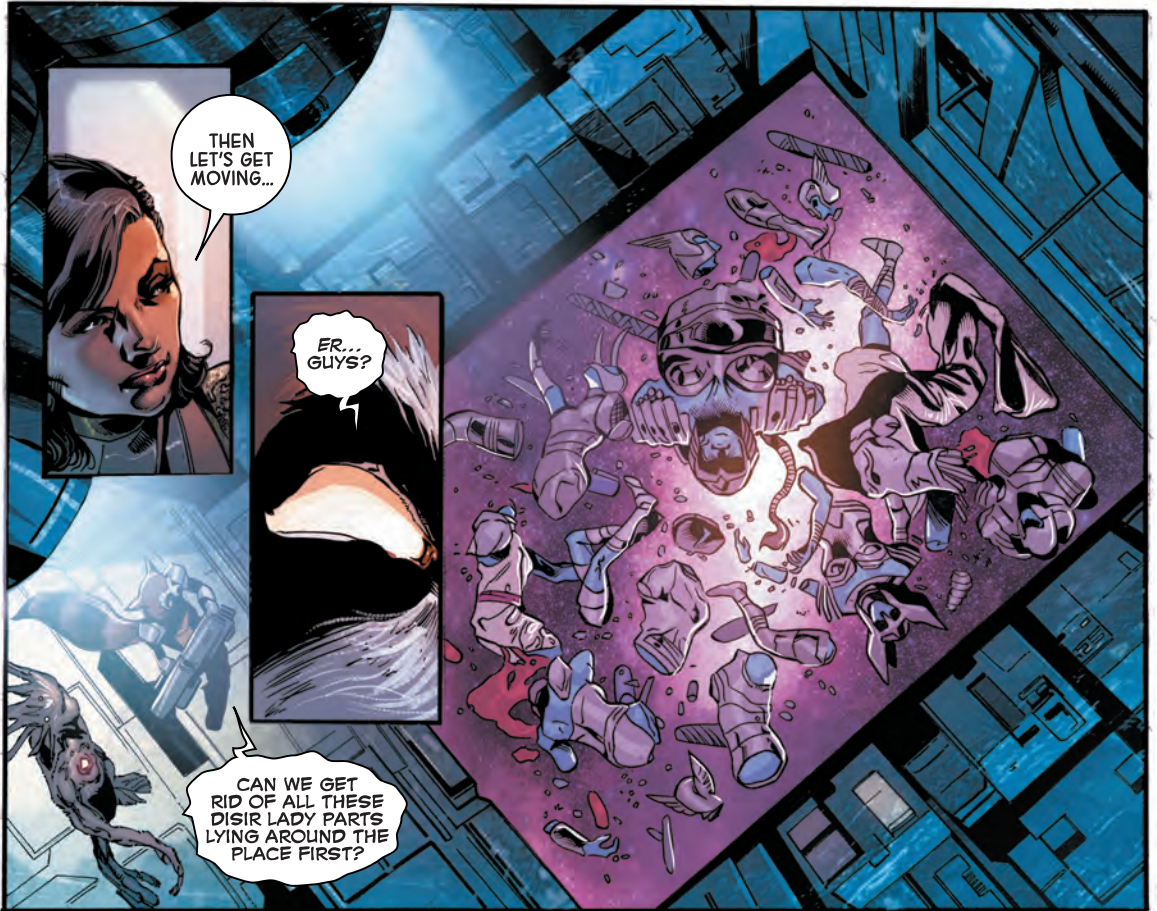
EXCEPT TAKE HER THROUGH A PLACE FULL OF HEAVILY ARMED ANGELS? JEESH.

THE CHILD WILL BE IN NO MORE DANGER THAN MYSELF.

SHE'S TELLING THE TRUTH. SIGNALS ARE CLEAN.



AND NO RIBBON-WAGGING OF ANY SORT.

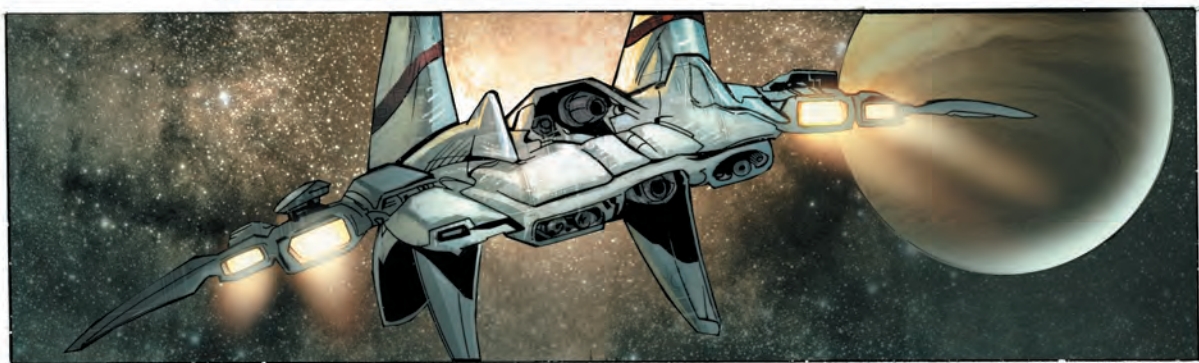
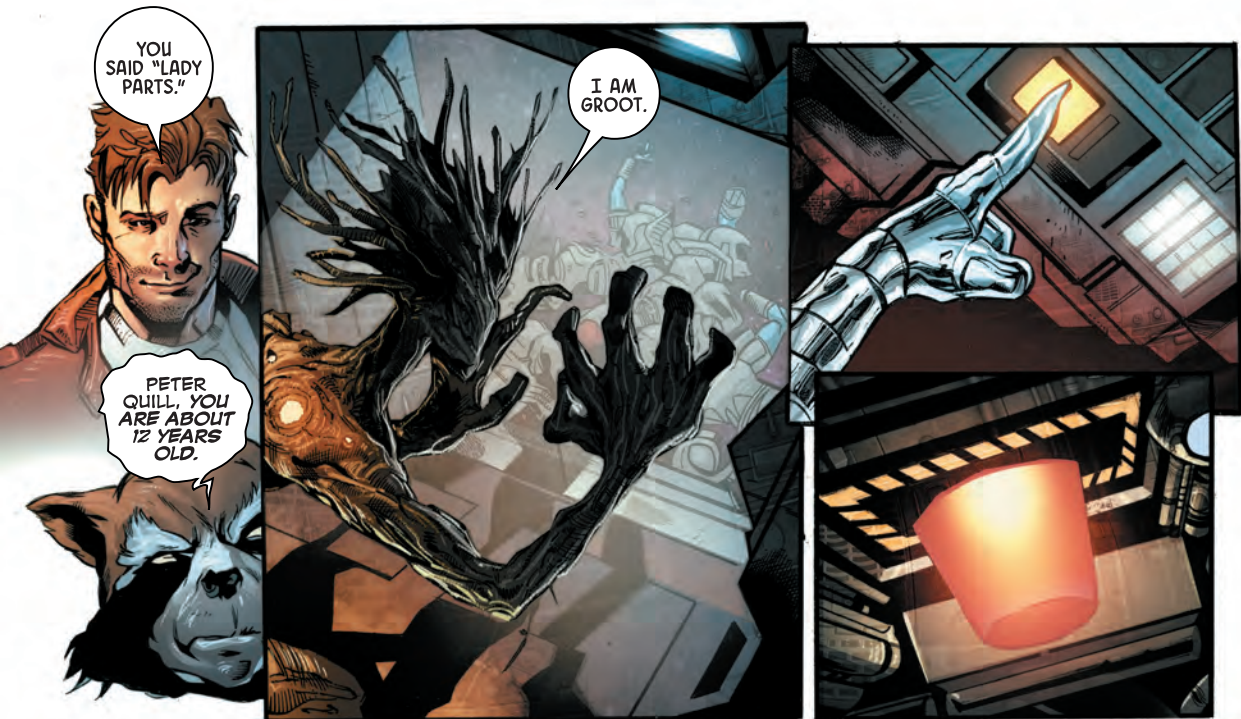


THEN LET'S GET MOVING...



ER... GUYS?

CAN WE GET RID OF ALL THESE DISIR LADY PARTS LYING AROUND THE PLACE FIRST?





MY
FOOTSIE
IS ALL
ITCHY!

SCRATCH
IT,
SOMEONE.

THIS
IS NOT
THE TIME,
HLOKK.

QUEEN
HELA!

MAKE
US WHOLE
ONCE
MORE!

IN
TIME, BRÜN,
YOU HAVE A
MISSION TO
COMPLETE.

TELL US
WHAT YOU'VE
LEARNED.



THEY ARE
TRAVELLING
TO THE ANGEL'S
HOME WITH
THE CHILD.

THEY ARE
TRAVELLING
TO HEAVEN.



ASGARD
IS IN YOUR
DEBT,
HELA.



LET ME
GUESS: NOW
WE ALL SIT
DOWN FOR
A NICE
SENSIBLE
CHAT AND
SORT OUT
OUR
DIFFERENCES,
YES?

IT
HAS GONE
BEYOND
A MERE
HUNT.

NOW THE
ARMIES OF
ASGARDIA
MUST
MARCH.

THE
ANGELS
HAVE
RUINED
ONE
SISTER
OF MINE.

THEY
WON'T
GET
ANOTHER.