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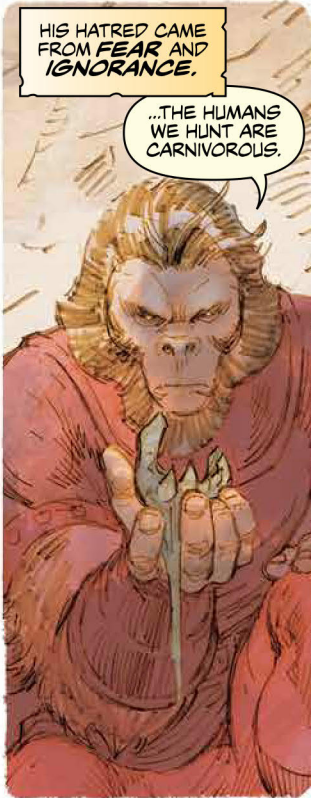
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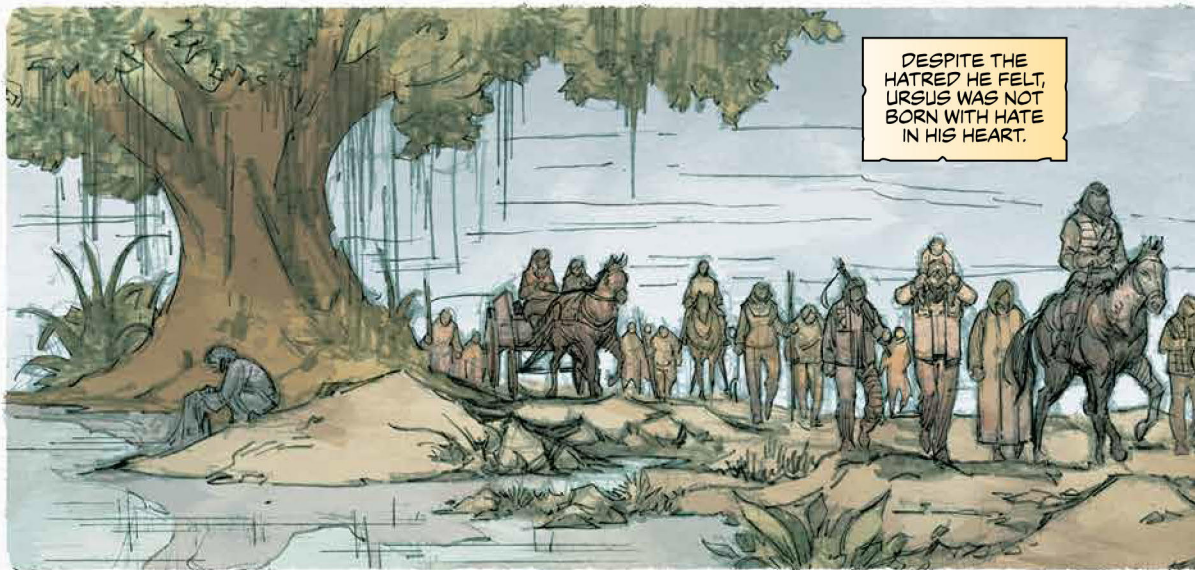
**MANY YEARS AGO.**

FOR AS LONG AS HE COULD REMEMBER, URSUS ALWAYS HATED HUMANS.

IT...IT IS LIKE SOMETHING FROM A NIGHTMARE.

AT LEAST WE KNOW IT IS TRUE...





DESPITE THE HATRED HE FELT, URSUS WAS NOT BORN WITH HATE IN HIS HEART.



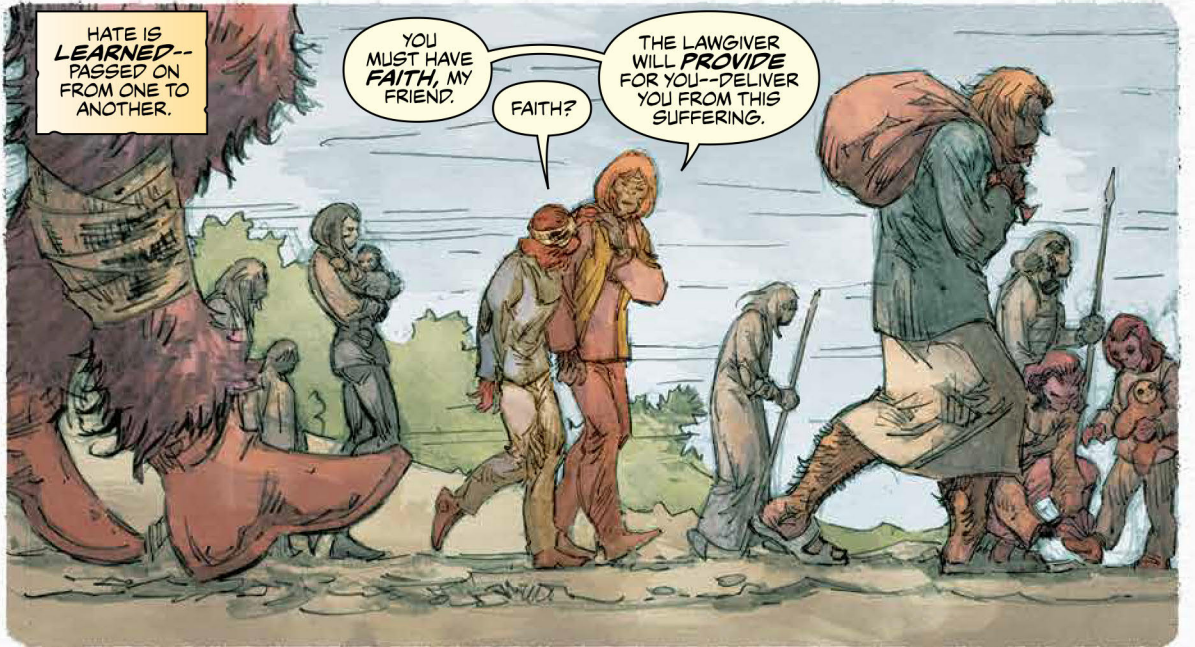
NO APE IS BORN WITH HATE IN THEIR HEARTS.

YOU SOUND LIKE KANANAIOS. DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN KILL EVERY HUMAN ON THE PLANET?

WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME, QAMA?

HATE IS **LEARNED.**

I WANT YOU TO FIND **PEACE**--TO NOT BE A TWISTED, TORTURED SOUL LIKE KANANAIOS.



HATE IS **LEARNED**--PASSED ON FROM ONE TO ANOTHER.

YOU MUST HAVE **FAITH**, MY FRIEND.

FAITH?

THE LAWGIVER WILL **PROVIDE** FOR YOU--DELIVER YOU FROM THIS SUFFERING.



URSUS, FOR WEEKS WE HAVE TRAVELED FROM ONE VILLAGE TO THE NEXT, LOOKING FOR SURVIVORS OF THE HUMANS' RAMPAGE.

WE'VE SEEN SO MANY HORRORS. WILL IT EVER END?

I DON'T KNOW.

THESE HUMANS ARE... DIFFERENT.

WE MUST DESTROY THEM.



BUT YOU, URSUS--THERE'S MORE TO YOU THAN HATE, MORE THAN DARKNESS. I SEE A LIGHT IN YOUR SOUL.



ALL THIS TALK OF SOULS, OF DARKNESS AND LIGHT--YOU SOUND LIKE A CHIMPANZEE POET.

THERE IS NO LIGHT HERE, ONLY DARKNESS. JUST LOOK AROUND YOU.



HATE TAKES ROOT WHEN ONE SPEAKS BUT DOES NOT LISTEN.

MY FAMILY IS DEAD--KILLED BY SAVAGE HUMANS. AND YOU TALK TO ME OF FAITH? THE LAWGIVER WILL SAVE ME FROM MY PAIN?

THERE IS NO LAWGIVER.



HATE TAKES SHAPE WHEN THOUGHT IS CLOSED OFF.

I'M SORRY YOU FEEL THAT WAY.

I HAVE SEEN UNTHINKABLE HORRORS THESE LAST FEW WEEKS, AND YET I STILL BELIEVE IN THE GRACE AND DIVINITY OF THE LAWGIVER.

URSUS LEARNED HIS HATE--HIS FEAR AND HIS IGNORANCE--FROM THE GORILLA WHO RAISED HIM.

HOW IS THE CHILD, DR. CEPHINA?

THE FEVER SEEMS TO HAVE PASSED, BUT HE NEEDS **MEDICAL** ATTENTION, AND **FOOD**.



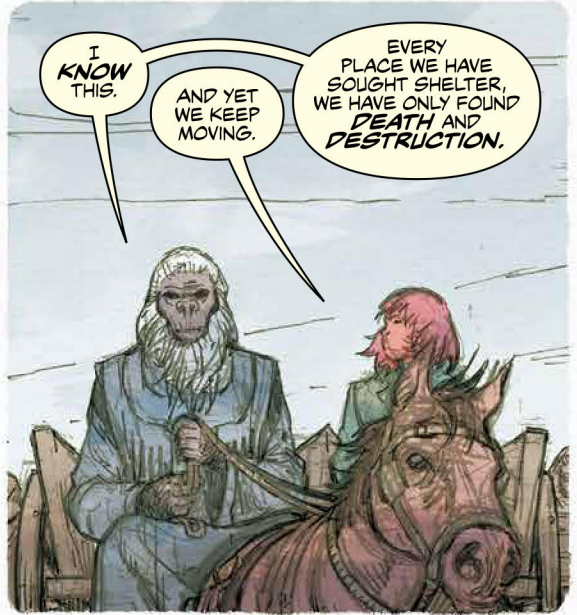
WE CAN'T KEEP **TRAVELING** LIKE THIS. THERE ARE TOO MANY WOUNDED, TOO MANY HUNGRY.



I **KNOW** THIS.

AND YET WE KEEP MOVING.

EVERY PLACE WE HAVE SOUGHT SHELTER, WE HAVE ONLY FOUND **DEATH** AND **DESTRUCTION**.



I HAVE TRAVELED THIS LAND ALL OF MY LIFE, AND SEEN ALL KINDS OF HUMANS, BUT NEVER ANY LIKE THESE.

THEY ARE **SMARTER**, MORE **DEADLY**. I FEEL AS IF THE **LAWGIVER** HAS SENT THEM AS A TEST.



WE **WILL** FIND A PLACE TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.

TERMINUS?

TERMINUS. IF EVER THERE WAS A COMMUNITY BIG ENOUGH TO **DEFEND** ITSELF FROM THE RAMPAGING HUMANS, IT IS TERMINUS.





**APE CITY.  
NOW.**

THERE IS NO HIDING FROM THIS.

HOW MANY WERE IN THE MARKETPLACE YESTERDAY? HOW MANY SAW AND HEARD THE TALKING HUMAN?

AND IT IS NOT JUST THE ONE-- THERE HAVE BEEN TWO. TWO TALKING HUMANS, AT THE SAME TIME.



EVERY ONE OF US **KNEW** A DAY LIKE THIS COULD COME.

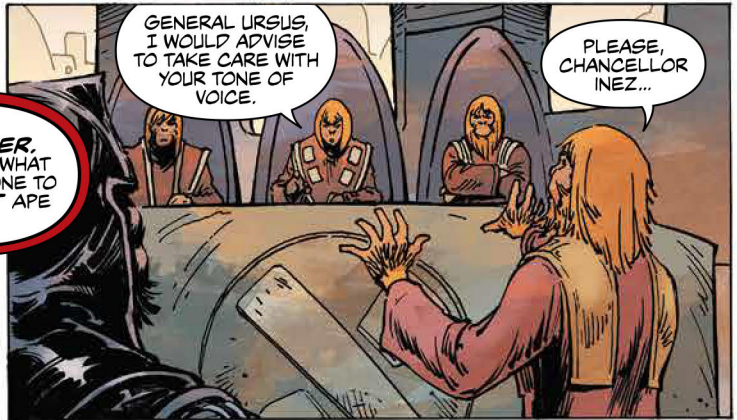
WE NEVER IMAGINED IT WOULD BE THIS **BAD**-- THAT WE WOULD BE FACING THIS PARTICULAR REALITY...



...BUT WE MUST FACE IT.

STOP WASTING TIME AND **ENDANGERING** APE LIVES!

GIVE THE **ORDER**. LET ME DO WHAT MUST BE DONE TO **PROTECT** APE CITY.



GENERAL URSUS, I WOULD ADVISE TO TAKE CARE WITH YOUR TONE OF VOICE.

PLEASE, CHANCELLOR INEZ...



...GENERAL URSUS MEANS NO **DISRESPECT**. THESE ARE THE TIMES THAT TRY APE'S SOULS.

URSUS, PLEASE, **LISTEN** TO ME...



GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME!

**THWAK**