



BLOOD.

I SMELL IT.
I TASTE IT.

IT POUNDS
IN MY EARS.

BUT IT IS HIS
BLOOD I WANT
TO SPILL.

UKKKK--!!

DESPERO.

CRUN
HGN



FOOLISH
MAN! WITH
THE POWER
OF THE NTH
METAL...



...I
CAN DO THIS
FOREVER!

AND HE'S RIGHT. HE CONTROLS THE NTH
METAL. I CAN EVEN FEEL MY OWN ARMOR
WEAKENING, SUBMITTING TO HIS WILL.

OUT OF TIME

part 6: **BLOOD and METAL**

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HAWKMAN CREATED BY GARDNER FOX

BUT I WILL
STOP HIM.

NO MATTER
THE COST.



YOUR WILL IS FORMIDABLE, HAWKMAN.

FWOOOSH



PERHAPS I WILL MELT THE NTH METAL FROM YOUR SMOLDERING CORPSE!

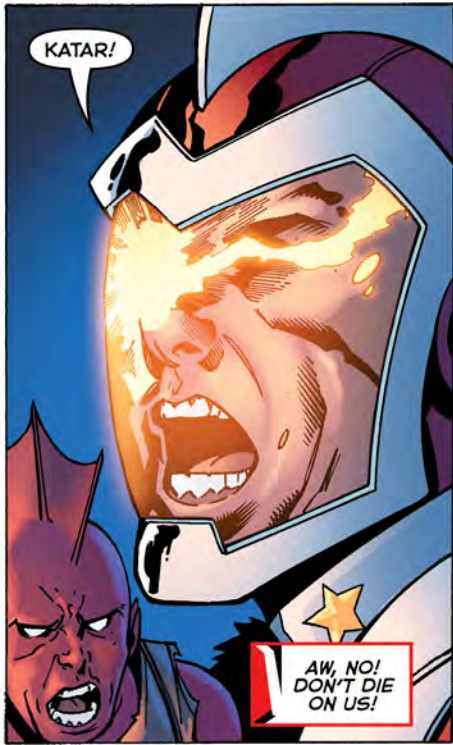
YEARRRGH!

sssssss



THWACK

ZZZAAART



KATAR!

AW, NO! DON'T DIE ON US!



IF THE FATE OF THE UNIVERSE RESTS ON ME AND A NEWBIE GL, WELL...

...I KNOW HOW THAT'S GONNA END.



GET UP,
KATAR! HE'S
COMING
BACK!



GOTTA DO
SOMETHING.



THESE ZOMBIFIED
FOLKS UNDER
DESPERO'S MIND
CONTROL ARE
DAMN STRONG.

FOOSH



AH!
KRAL,
KATAR'S
DOWN! WE
NEED TO
HELP
HIM!



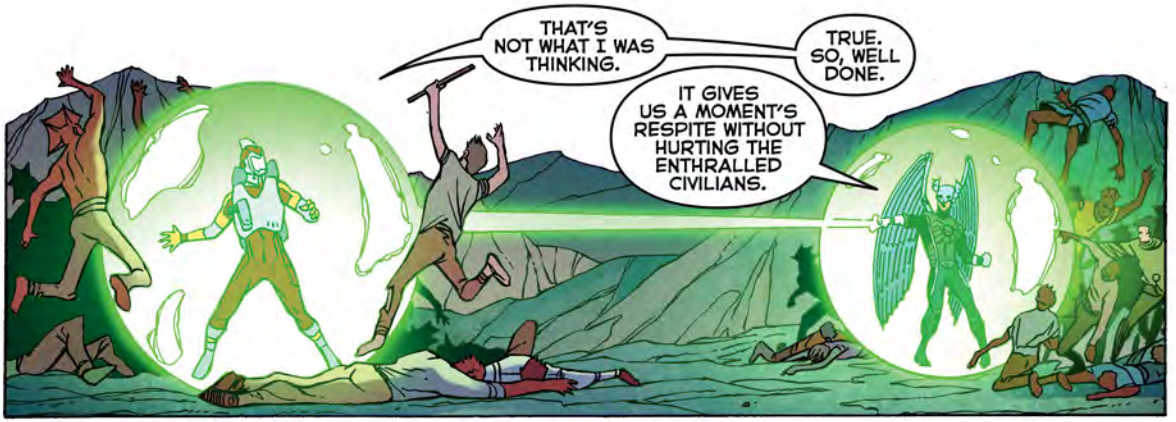
I CAN
SEE THAT, ADAM!
I MUST...

...CONCENTRATE...

...HELP MY
FRIEND...



CONCENTRATE,
KRAL. FOCUS.
DO THIS!



THAT'S NOT WHAT I WAS THINKING.

TRUE. SO, WELL DONE.

IT GIVES US A MOMENT'S RESPITE WITHOUT HURTING THE ENTHRALLED CIVILIANS.



HOW ABOUT YOU GO LOW--



EXCELLENT SUGGESTION!

AAAIIIEE!!

KER-RACK

AAAAHHHH!

UNNNN--!



AND I'LL GO HIGH!

FOOSH!



THERE YOU ARE, KATAR.

15° 4'

THANK GOD.



THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO WAKE UP TOMORROW--IF THERE IS ONE--WITH BUMPS AND BRUISES.



A SORE, BUT MUCH BETTER, ALTERNATIVE TO WHAT DESPERO WOULD GIVE THEM!