


THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

# BUBBLE

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The Flash is depicted in a dynamic, vertical pose, surrounded by a swirling blue vortex of water. He is wearing his signature red and yellow suit with a lightning bolt emblem on his chest. His right arm is raised, and his left hand is near his face. The background is a deep blue, suggesting an underwater environment. Several inset panels show close-ups of his face, a large eye, and a fish, all rendered in a blue-tinted style.

"SUFFERING THE DISORIENTING EFFECT OF THE *FOLDED MAN'S* TELEPORTATION POWERS, THE FLASH WILL FIRST WONDER HOW EXACTLY HE CAME TO BE *TWO THOUSAND FEET* BENEATH THE PACIFIC...

"...THEN HE'LL FEEL THE *BONE-CRUSHING* PRESSURE OF THE OCEAN DEPTHS. HIS SURVIVAL INSTINCT WILL TAKE OVER. *PANIC* WILL SET IN.

"PANIC WILL LEAD TO REFLEXIVE MOVEMENT. MOVEMENT WILL *DEplete* THE BODY'S STORE OF *OXYGEN*.

"AND TO ESCAPE HIS PREDICAMENT, THE FLASH WILL REQUIRE A LOT OF MOVEMENT.

"THE *TRAUMA* WILL BE *AGONIZING*."

"OH, HE'LL SURVIVE. BARELY."

"GASP!"

"HUFF!  
GHNN!"

"OCULAR CAPILLARIES HEMORRHAGED. EARDRUMS RUPTURED. LUNGS WRACKED WITH PULMONARY EMBOLISM."

"ENDOWED WITH POWERS OR NO, THE HUMAN BODY ISN'T DESIGNED TO TRAVEL GREAT VERTICAL DISTANCES UNDERWATER IN MERE SECONDS."

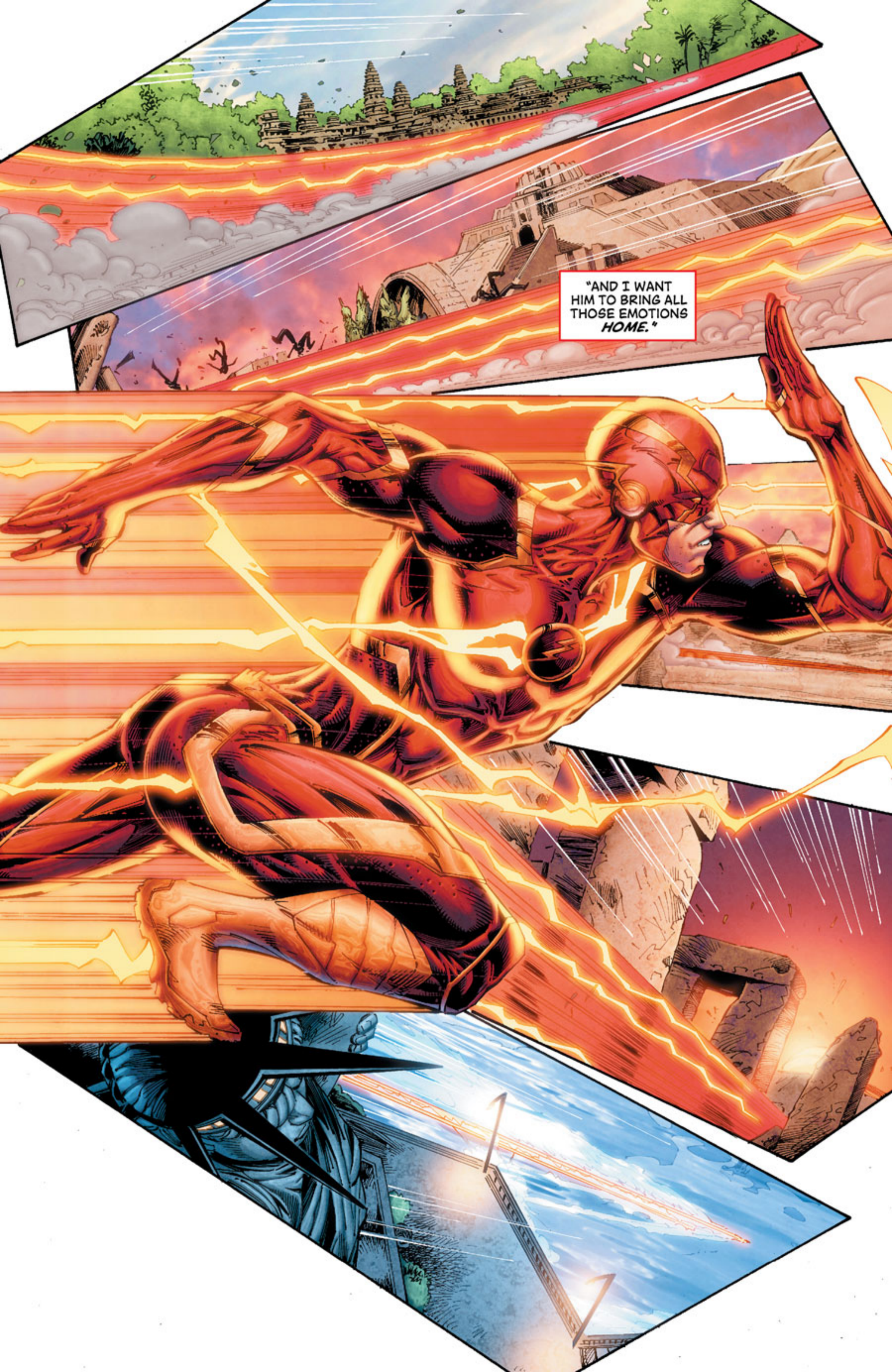
"BUT HE'LL RECOVER. HIS ACCELERATED HEALING ABILITY WILL SEE TO IT."

"I WOULDN'T HAVE IT ANY OTHER WAY."

"NOT YET."

"I WANT HIM SCARED. CONFUSED."

"ANGRY."



"AND I WANT HIM TO BRING ALL THOSE EMOTIONS HOME."

TO  
CENTRAL  
CITY! MY  
CITY!

*Eobard Thawne, aka Professor Zoom. Able to control the flow of time to make himself appear faster than everything--and everyone--else.*

*Roscoe Dillon. Master of centrifugal speed.*

*Magali. Can manipulate time to affect the age of organic and inorganic matter.*

*Block. Can slow, and even stop, the movement of atoms, creating impenetrable matter.*

*Alexander Selkirk. Speed Force scholar.*

*Xolani, aka the Folded Man. Collapses space-time to travel between any two fixed points instantaneously.*

YOU'RE **POSITIVE** YOU WON'T ALLOW ME TO DROP THE FLASH INTO A VOLCANO? DEPOSIT HIM ON THE **MOON**? THERE'D BE NO RETURNING FROM THAT.

I TOLD YOU, XOLANI. WHEN A HERO DIES, THEY BECOME A MARTYR. **STATUES ARE ERECTED. MUSEUMS BUILT.**

TRUST ME. I'M **WELL-VERSED** ON THIS SUBJECT.

WE'RE GOING TO **BREAK** THE FLASH. STRIP HIM OF EVERYTHING THAT DEFINES WHO HE IS. MAKE HIM NO LONGER A HERO.

THEN, WHEN I FINALLY TAKE HIS LIFE, HE WON'T JUST BE GONE. HE'LL BE **FORGOTTEN.**

SELKIRK, DID YOU FINISH THE SCHEMATIC?

YES. THIS DESIGN WILL PERFORM THE TASK YOU LAID OUT.

VERY WELL. ALL OF YOU, RETURN TO YOUR WORK. SELKIRK, I LEAVE YOU TO OVERSEE THE LOADING OF THE DEVICE.