

NEW YORK CITY, AT DAWN.

BACK TO WEATHERLADY CHRISSIE, ON THIS MORNING'S WEIRD WAKE UP...

...UNUSUALLY OVERCAST SKIES SEEM TO BE BLOCKING OUR EXPECTED SUNNY DAY FROM STARTING...

...ALL ALONG THE EAST COAST, NO SIGN OF SUNRISE...



< CALL TO PRAYER WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE IMAM'S SCHEDULE, EVEN THOUGH SUNRISE... >

BIZARRE.



WE ARE SHEEP, ALL DRIVING AROUND AS THOUGH THERE IS NOTHING WRONG.

AND THE SUN HAS NOT RISEN!



HAS EVERY CLOCK IN THE WORLD GONE MAD, OR HAS ALLAH STOPPED THE EARTH IN ITS PATH?



PLEASE... ALLAH HAVE MERCY ON US ALL.

IT'S TOO EARLY IN THE MORNING FOR THINGS TO GET THIS WEIRD. NO CHANCE FOR BREAKFAST FROM THE CART, NOT EVEN A CUP OF OVERPRICED COFFEE.

AND IT LOOKS LIKE NOBODY KNOWS WHAT'S ACTUALLY GOING ON. GUESS WE'RE ALL **REALLY** IN THE DARK.

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WHAT'S WITH THE SUN?

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IT'S THE RISING--
JESUS SAVE ME!

IT'S LOUSY WEATHER,
YOU NUT.





I CAN FEEL THE MAGICAL ENERGY IN THE AIR.

THIS ISN'T EVERYDAY NEW YORK WEIRD.



FEELS LIKE A MOMENT IN ONE OF THOSE DOPEY OLD CARTOONS MOM LOVED...WITH THE HERO LOOKING AROUND FOR A PHONE BOOTH OR SOMETHING...

...BET THERE WEREN'T ANY PHONE BOOTHS ON THE EAST SIDE EVEN WHEN SHE WAS A KID.



LET'S SEE IF ONE OF THE TRICKS KENT TAUGHT ME CAN WORK HERE...HE SAID IT WAS ONLY GOOD TO BUY A MINUTE OR TWO...

...BUT THAT'S ALL I NEED.



NABU, HIT "PAUSE."



YEAH!



HAVE TO ADMIT, THIS FATE GIG IS BETTER NOW THAT I'M STARTING TO GET LESSONS. THE DIY APPROACH TO MAGIC IS DUMB.



MUCH BETTER.



EXCUSE ME, FOLKS.

YOU CAN GO BACK TO YOUR MORNING COMMUTES NOW.

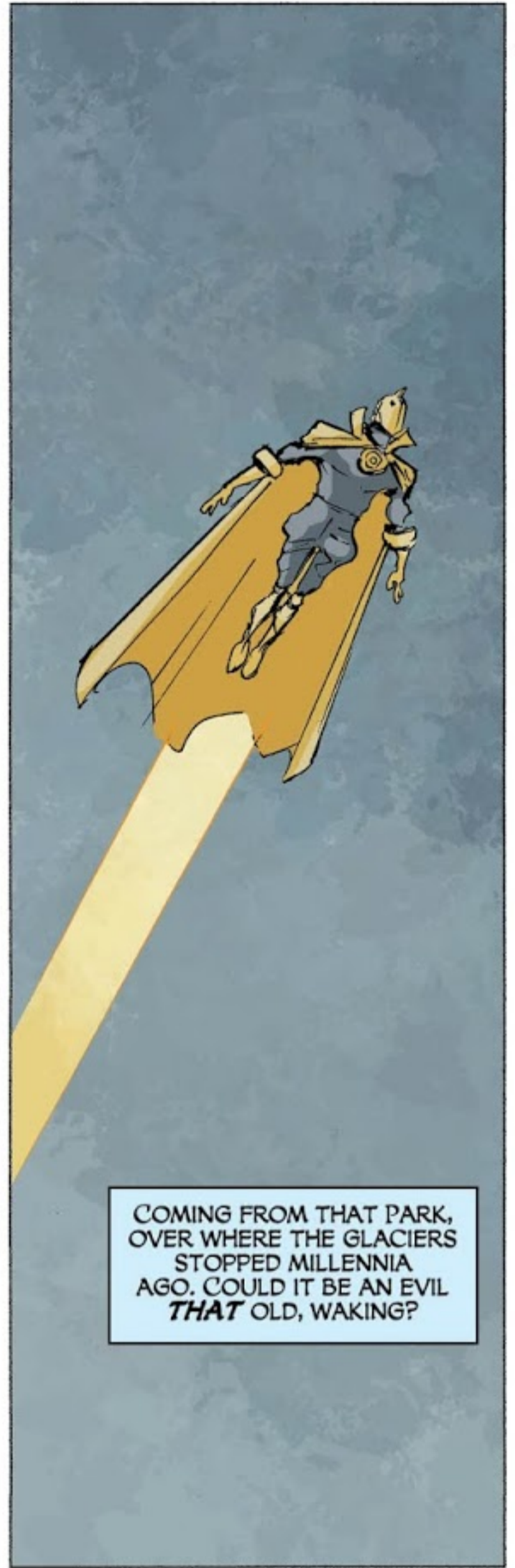


IT *IS* MORNING, ISN'T IT?

Khalid, are you okay?

MORNING OVER BROOKLYN, BUT AS DARK A DAWN AS ANY I EVER SAW WITH THE JUSTICE SOCIETY. THIS ISN'T JUST SOME DARK MIASMA, THE SUN GENUINELY ISN'T RISING.

THAT'S MAJOR DARK MAGIC.



COMING FROM THAT PARK, OVER WHERE THE GLACIERS STOPPED MILLENNIA AGO. COULD IT BE AN EVIL *THAT* OLD, WAKING?



OR IS IT ANOTHER FACET OF WHAT WOKE THOSE MUMMIES YESTERDAY?



THERE.

SUNLIGHT FROM BELOW?



PERHAPS I CAN GET IT BACK IN THE SKY WHERE IT BELONGS?