A detailed illustration of an autumn forest scene. In the foreground, a stream flows over several small waterfalls, surrounded by large, dark rocks and fallen leaves. The middle ground shows a small, rustic cabin with a porch, situated on a grassy hillside. The background is filled with tall, thin trees, many of which are bare, while others have bright orange and yellow foliage. The sky is a mix of warm orange and purple tones, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall style is painterly and atmospheric.

THE WORLD WILL BREAK
YOUR HEART--BUT IT
GETS TO--

IT GAVE YOU ONE IN
THE FIRST PLACE.



DON'T WORRY.
IT'S JUST YOU AND
ME IN HERE NOW.



AND I DON'T FEEL
LIKE [REDACTED]
AROUND ANYMORE.



NOT UP FOR
ANY MORE
SMALL TALK.



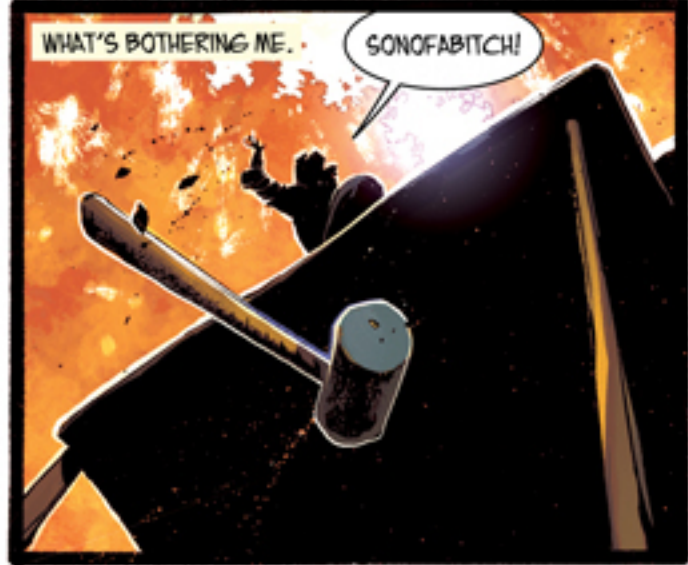
I WANT TO GET DOWN TO IT.

HEY,
CHUCK!



I WANT TO TALK
ABOUT WHAT'S
BOTHERING YOU.

KLANN



WHAT'S BOTHERING ME..

SONOFABITCH!



I WANT TO SOLVE IT...

...ONCE AND FOR ALL.

SORRY 'BOUT THAT.

MY OWN FAULT.

NOT USED TO VISITORS.

ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO SNEAK UP ON A MAN AS HE HAWKERS.



SOUND OF A HUMAN VOICE CERTAINLY SHRIVELS MY PECKER.

HEH, I'D HAVE CALLED FIRST BUT...

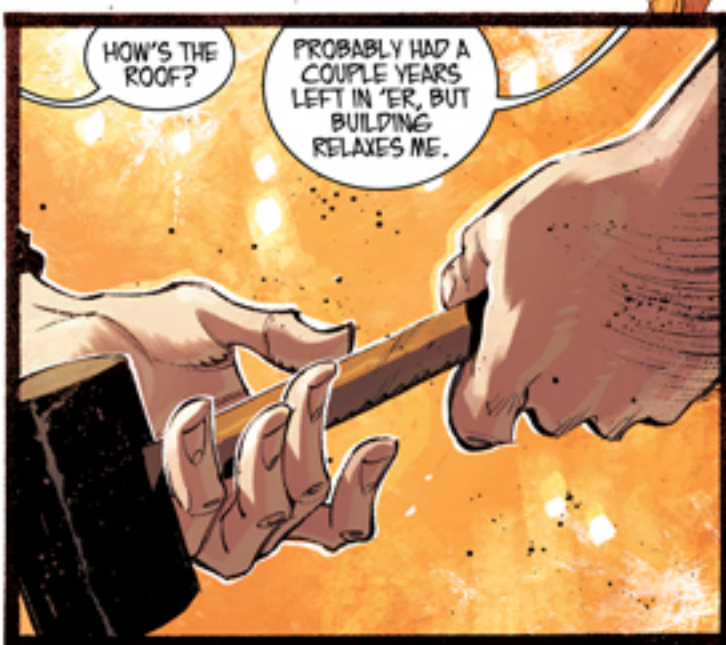
NO PHONES. THAT'S WHY WE LIKE IT OUT HERE, AIN'T IT, NEIGHBOR?



HOW'S THE ROOF?

PROBABLY HAD A COUPLE YEARS LEFT IN 'ER, BUT BUILDING RELAXES ME.

HOW ABOUT AN EASIER OPTION?





ISOLATION'S AN INTERESTING THING.

WE COME OUT HERE LOOKING FOR IT, BUT ONCE WE GET IT--AND DON'T GET ME WRONG, THERE'S A LOT OF PEACE TO IT--BUT ONCE WE GET IT--



CHUCK, IF I'M BUGGIN' YOU COMING AROUND JUST LET ME KNOW.

NO, DON'T GET ME WRONG.

I'M GLAD TO FIND ANOTHER REFUGEE OF THE SMOG TO COMMISERATE WITH.



THOUGH A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, WHEN YOU FIRST ARRIVED, I WOULDN'T HAVE ADMITTED IT.

KESH



I'M NOT A HUGE FAN OF MY FELLOW MAN.

GOT THAT IN COMMON.



YOU LIVE LONG ENOUGH IT'LL BEAT THE [REDACTED] OUT OF YOU.

YOU EITHER GET USED TO SWIMMIN' IN THE [REDACTED]...



...OR YOU GET OUT OF THE POOL.



...I GOT HIM INTO SOME BAD TROUBLE.

HAR'LOGH
THE DEFILER!
WILL FILL YOUR
LUNGS WITH
BOILING PISS!

THEY SAY TO FIND
WHAT YOU LOVE AND
THEN LET IT KILL YOU.

I TOOK THAT
TO HEART.

BROKE ALL THE
LAWS OF NATURE.

CREATED THE PILLAR TO SAVE
HUMANITY--THOUGHT I COULD
MAKE EVERYTHING BETTER--

--DIDN'T EXACTLY DO THAT.

SAKKI!

MOTHERS
WILL SUCK SHIT
FROM THE
INTESTINES OF
THEIR
CHILDREN!

BELIEVED IN A RESPONSIVE
UNIVERSE THAT WOULD
REWARD MY FIGHT AGAINST
BLOODLESS BUREAUCRATS.

PIGESTING THE
FRUIT OF THEIR
LOINS FOR
ETERNITY!

I WILL DEFECCATE YOUR
REMAINS ON THEIR
CORPSES.

SPENT THE PAST YEAR IN AN
ASYLUM WHILE MY SON WAS
LOST IN THE EVERVERSE.

MY WIFE MARRIED
TO A MAN I HATE.

CHOKKI!