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ONCE SHE WAS THE MIGHTY THOR. NOW DR. JANE FOSTER WIELDS NOT THUNDER, BUT DEATH. AND LIFE. AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. SHE IS THE LAST OF THE VALKYRIES—WARRIOR GODDESSES WHO FERRY THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO FALL IN BATTLE TO VALHALLA, THE LAND OF THE HONORED DEAD. WIELDER OF UNDRJARN THE ALL-WEAPON, DEFENDER OF MIDGARD AND ASGARD ALIKE, SHE IS...



IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE WAR OF THE REALMS, EARTH'S VILLAINS ARE OUT TO OBTAIN THE MAGICAL WEAPONS LEFT BEHIND—including DRAGONFANG, THE SWORD OF THE LATE LEADER OF THE VALKYRIES, BRUNNHILDE. JANE SWORE TO RECOVER THE SWORD, BUT WHEN IT FELL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ASSASSIN KNOWN AS BULLSEYE AND HE STABBED HEIMDALL THE ALL-SEEING THROUGH THE CHEST, SHE REALIZED HER MISSION HAD CHANGED.

WITH A HEAVY HEART, JANE DESTROYED DRAGONFANG SO IT COULD NEVER BE ABUSED AGAIN.

BUT IT WAS TOO LATE TO SAVE HEIMDALL. NOW, TO GRANT HIS FINAL WISH, VALKYRIE WILL LEAD HIM ON A JOURNEY—NOT TO VALHALLA, BUT TO ALL THE AFTERLIVES HE HAS NEVER SEEN.

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UNDER-HEVEN--HOME OF THE ANCHORITES--A RELIGIOUS ORDER OF SORTS. THEY PRAY FOR THE LOST SOULS OF DEAD ANGELS.

WHICH DOESN'T MEAN THEY'RE FANS.

AAHH!

ANGEL!  
ANGEL!

RUN!



MALE CHILDREN ARE ASSIGNED--OR ENSLAVED--HERE AT BIRTH. IN THIS REALM, YOU'RE EITHER A PLUTOCRAT OR A PENITENT--

--OR AN EXILE, IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT.

NOT MY IDEA OF HEAVEN.

BUT THE ANCHORITES AREN'T JUST MONKS. THEY'RE MAGICIANS, DEVOTED TO A SINGLE TASK--

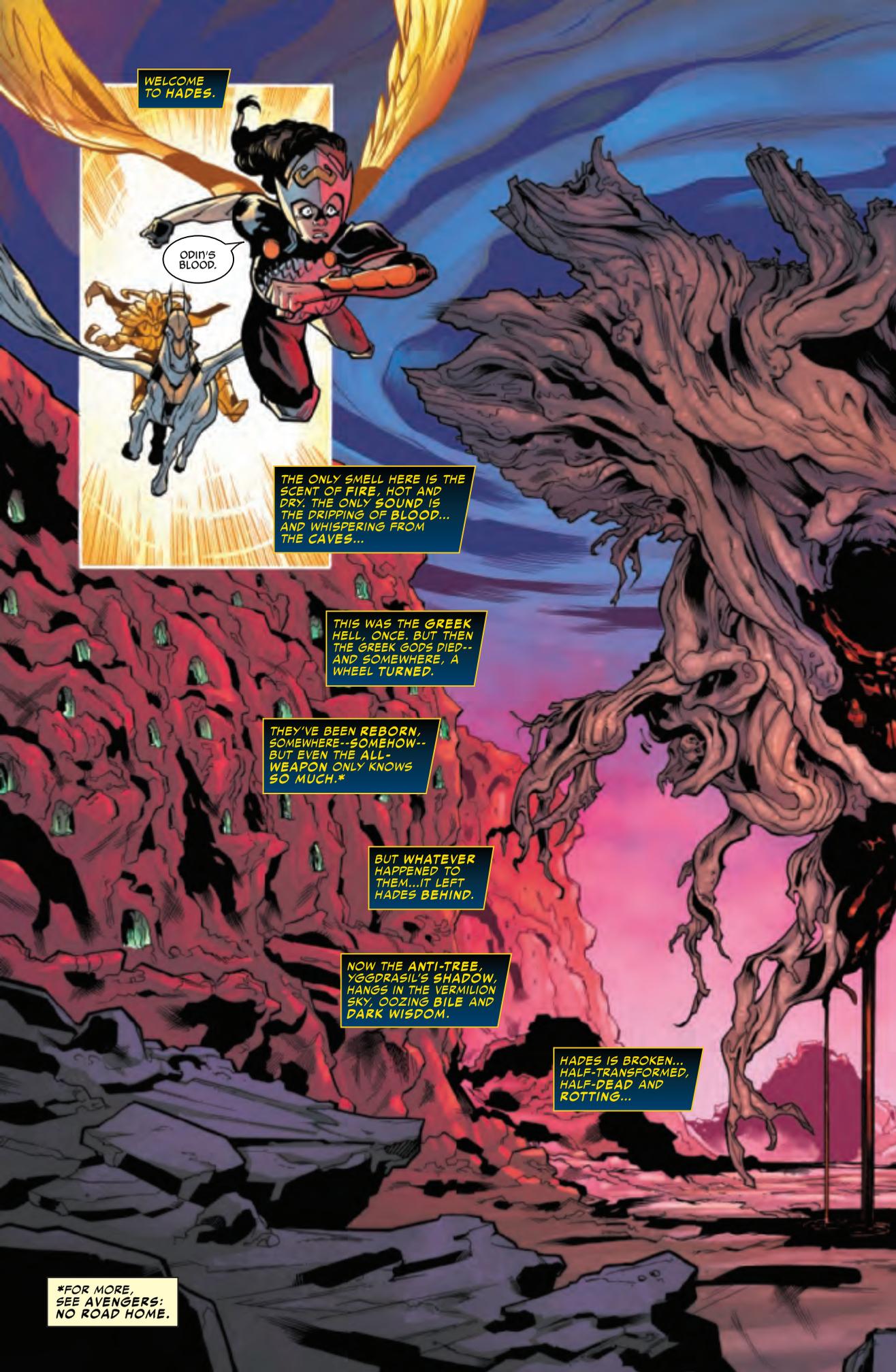
--CREATING OR STEALING AN AFTERLIFE FOR THEIR ANGELIC MISTRESSES.

...  
THIS WAY.

IT'S TOO LATE FOR THE QUEEN--BUT THEY FOUND ONE. A DISUSED AFTERLIFE.

THE SUREST WAY TO OUR DESTINATION... AND THE MOST DANGEROUS.





WELCOME  
TO HADES.

ODIN'S  
BLOOD.

THE ONLY SMELL HERE IS THE  
SCENT OF FIRE, HOT AND  
DRY. THE ONLY SOUND IS THE  
DRIPPING OF BLOOD...  
AND WHISPERING FROM  
THE CAVES...

THIS WAS THE GREEK  
HELL, ONCE. BUT THEN  
THE GREEK GODS DIED--  
AND SOMEWHERE, A  
WHEEL TURNED.

THEY'VE BEEN REBORN,  
SOMEWHERE--SOMEHOW--  
BUT EVEN THE ALL-  
WEAPON ONLY KNOWS  
SO MUCH.\*

BUT WHATEVER  
HAPPENED TO  
THEM...IT LEFT  
HADES BEHIND.

NOW THE ANTI-TREE,  
YGGDRASIL'S SHADOW,  
HANGS IN THE VERMILION  
SKY, OOZING BILE AND  
DARK WISDOM.

HADES IS BROKEN...  
HALF-TRANSFORMED,  
HALF-DEAD AND  
ROTTING...

\*FOR MORE,  
SEE AVENGERS:  
NO ROAD HOME.

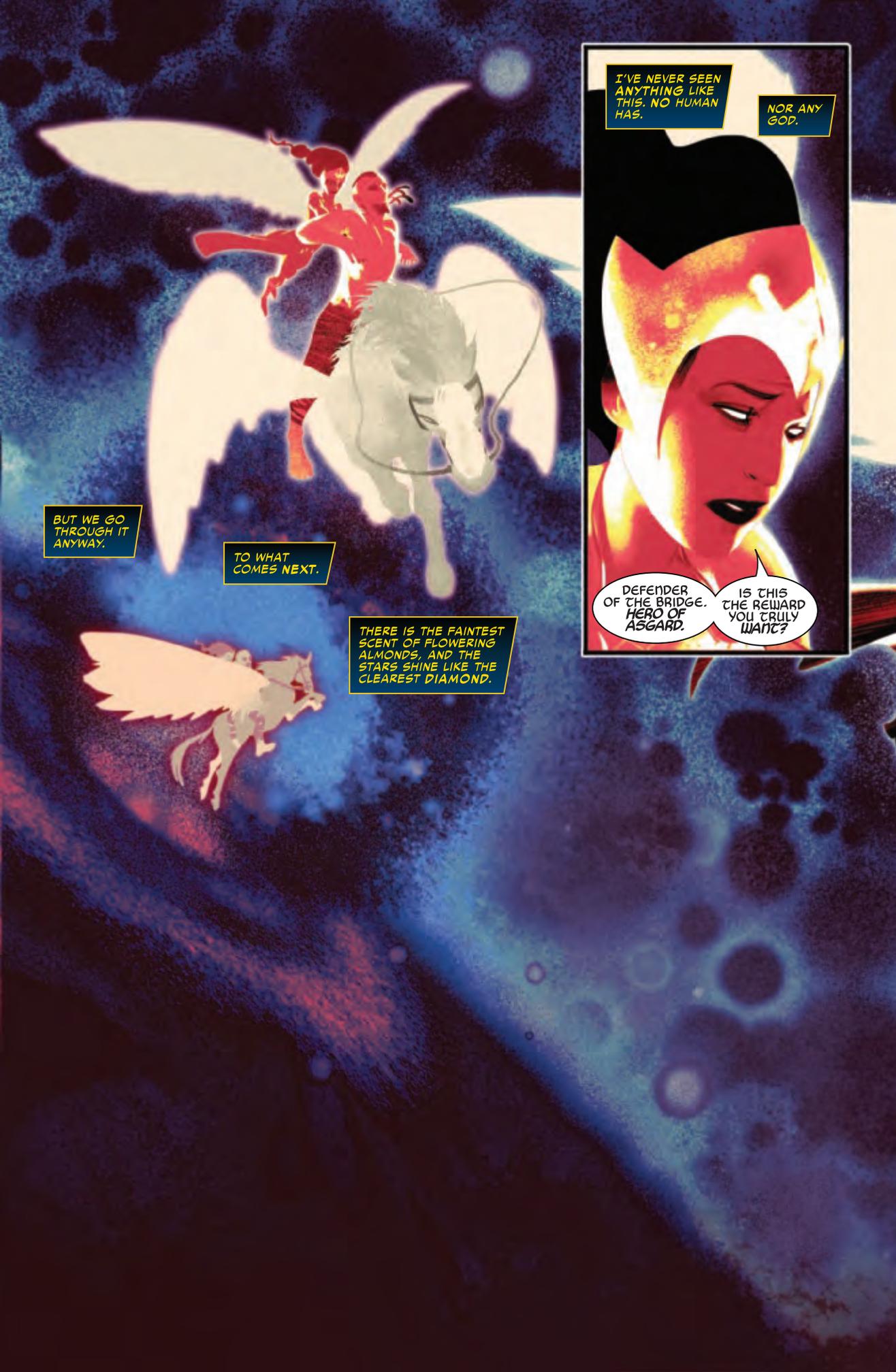


...HEAR YOU...

...AND SO IS ITS MASTER.

Y-Y-YES.

I HEAR YOU, M-MY LORD...I...



I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THIS. NO HUMAN HAS.

NOR ANY GOD.

BUT WE GO THROUGH IT ANYWAY.

TO WHAT COMES NEXT.

THERE IS THE FAINTEST SCENT OF FLOWERING ALMONDS, AND THE STARS SHINE LIKE THE CLEAREST DIAMOND.

DEFENDER OF THE BRIDGE. HERO OF ASGARD.

IS THIS THE REWARD YOU TRULY WANT?