



YOU DARE TOUCH MY BRIDES, DEMON?!

THEY ARE MINE TO DESTROY, NO ONE ELSE'S!



I DID NOT KILL THEM ALL, ONLY THIS ONE--AFTER SHE GLADLY MURDERED HER SISTER-WIVES IN EXCHANGE FOR BLOOD. HER HUNGER MADE HER WEAK AND EASY TO SEDUCE.

IF YOU WERE A BETTER PROVIDER, SHE NEVER WOULD HAVE TURNED AGAINST YOU--

--BUT YOU FAILED HER, JUST AS YOU FAILED YOUR MORTAL WIFE, ALL THOSE CENTURIES AGO!



I SWEAR BY SATAN'S HORNS I WILL TEAR OUT YOUR VILE THROAT!

HE IS TRYING TO LURE YOU OUT, VLAD. HE KNOWS YOU ARE A THREAT TO HIM.

I AM MORE THAN A THREAT!

YOU GOTTA STAND IN LINE, DRAC. I HAVE A LOT OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS WITH TALL, DARK, AND GRUESOME.

WHAT ABOUT YOU, TOOTS? CAN YOU DO THE RITUAL?

YES, I BELIEVE SO. THE MONKS WHO RAISED ME TAUGHT ME ANCIENT LANGUAGES--INCLUDING THE ONE USED IN THE NECRONOMICON EX MORTIS.




WE WILL HOLD THEM OFF FOR AS LONG AS IT TAKES YOU TO COMPLETE THE SPELL.

I WAS TRAINED TO BE A WARRIOR, NOT A WIZARD. I SHOULD BE FIGHTING ALONGSIDE YOU AND THE OTHERS!

I KNOW YOU CAN DO THIS, EVA. YOU WERE ALWAYS FATED TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM EVIL--JUST NOT IN THE WAY YOU IMAGINED.





WHEN I WAS
TORN APART BY THE
GENERAL'S MINIONS,
I THOUGHT I WOULD
NEVER SEE YOU
AGAIN. I JUST WANT
TO TELL YOU--

TELL
ME WHAT,
MICHAEL--?



FOR
CRYING
OUT
LOUD!



JUST
KISS
HER
ALREADY!

PLEASE,
DO NOT
ENCOURAGE
THEM!



COME--
I WILL TAKE
YOU TO THE
TEMPLE.



YOU
MUST CLEAR
YOUR MIND OF
DISTRACTIONS
AND PREPARE
YOURSELF FOR
THE RITUAL.



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I APPRECIATE YOUR HELP AND HOSPITALITY, BROTHER JIANJUN--BUT DOESN'T IT BOTHER YOU THAT SOMEONE FROM ANOTHER FAITH WILL BE USING BLACK MAGIC IN YOUR TEMPLE?



YOU MAY BE A CHRISTIAN, AND I A BUDDHIST--BUT WE HAVE BOTH DEDICATED OUR LIVES TO THOSE THINGS THAT *LIFT* HUMANITY FROM THE *DARKNESS* AND BRING IT CLOSER TO THE *LIGHT*: KINDNESS, JUSTICE, WISDOM, TRUTH, AND PEACE.



WE WORSHIP DIFFERENT GODS, BUT OUR GOALS ARE THE SAME: TO SAVE OUR WORLD, AND ALL WHO DWELL UPON IT, FROM ETERNAL SUFFERING.



AND, IN THE END, THAT IS *ALL* THAT TRULY MATTERS.



OKAY, YOU CUE BALLS! TIME TO SACK UP! IT'S ABOUT TO HIT THE FAN!

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME ON THE DEADITES THAT ARE JUST WALKING SKELETONS. GO FOR THE ONES THAT STILL HAVE THEIR EYES AND SOME MEAT ON THEIR BONES. YOU GROK ME, CURLY?

YES, CHOSEN ONE, I--



GROK KKK!



DAMN IT! NOT AGAIN!

AHHHH!



I'LL HANDLE THIS--!

IS THAT A GOOD THING?

NOT IF YOU'RE MORTAL.

