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STEPHEN STRANGE WAS A PRE-EMINENT SURGEON UNTIL A CAR ACCIDENT DAMAGED THE NERVES IN HIS HANDS. HIS EGO DROVE HIM TO SCOUR THE GLOBE FOR A MIRACLE CURE. INSTEAD, HE FOUND A MYSTERIOUS WIZARD CALLED THE ANCIENT ONE, WHO TAUGHT HIM THE MYSTIC ARTS AND OPENED HIS EYES TO THE MAGIC BEHIND REALITY. THESE LESSONS ENABLED STEPHEN TO BECOME THE SORCERER SUPREME, EARTH'S FIRST DEFENSE AGAINST ALL MANNER OF MAGICAL THREATS. HIS PATIENTS CALL HIM...

DOCTOR STRANGE

NOW...

TASKED WITH THE PROTECTION OF EARTH FROM ALL THINGS MYSTIC AND MAGICAL, DOCTOR STRANGE WILL DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THE INNOCENT--NO MATTER THE PERSONAL COST.

"THE CHOICE"

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MOMMY CAN'T
GET A **CELL SIGNAL**
RIGHT NOW, BUT AS SOON
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COMES BACK, WE'LL FIND
THE **HIGHWAY**
AGAIN.

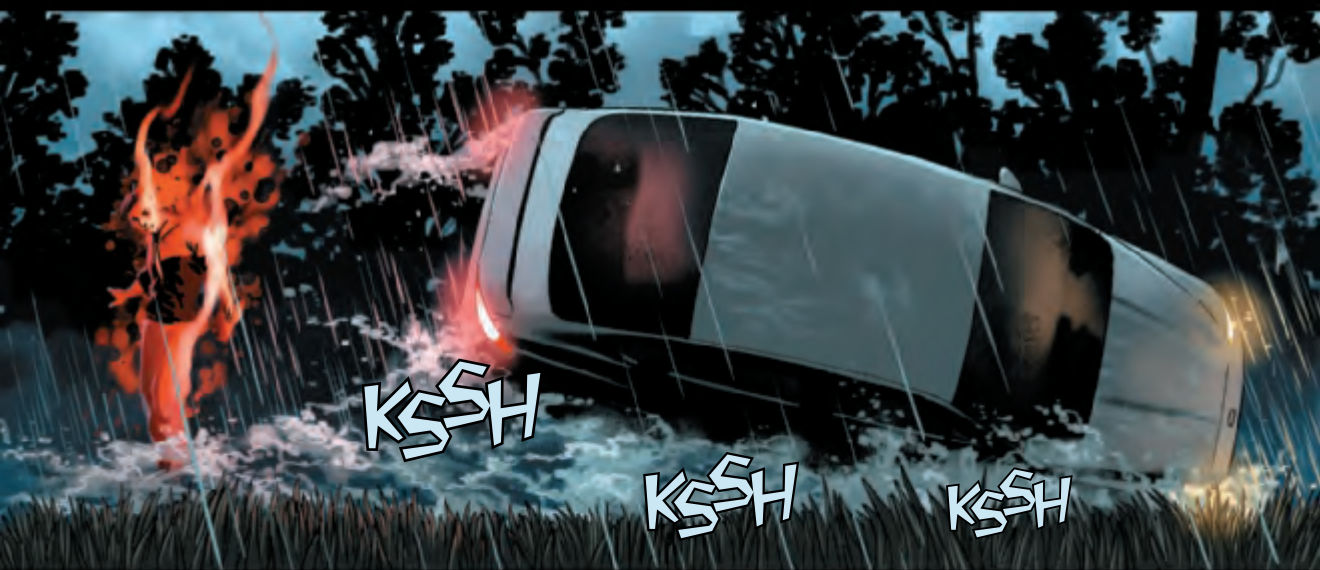
WHY DON'T YOU
CLOSE YOUR EYES FOR
A WHILE? MOMMY NEEDS
TO PAY ATTENTION TO
THE ROAD, AND--

HOLY--!



BOO.

SKREEEEEEEE



KSSH

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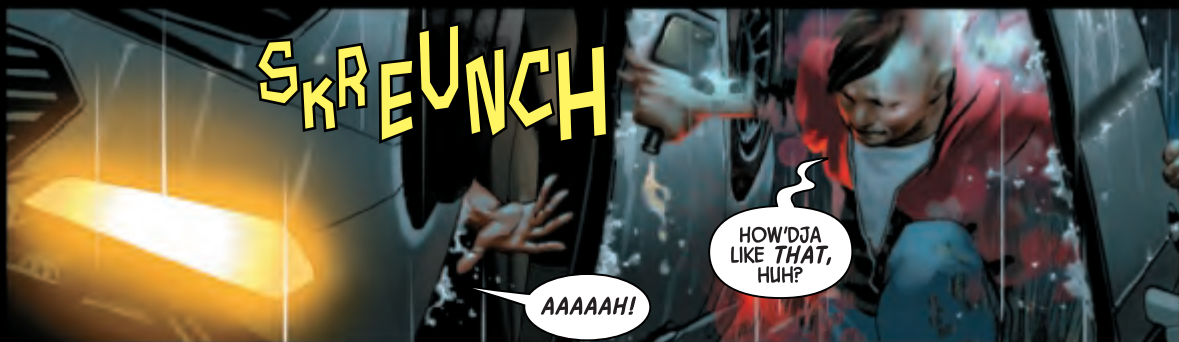


OH
GOD.

OH MY
GOD!

OH
GOD.

DANNY!
ARE YOU OKAY?
ARE YOU--





OH NO. SHE
WASN'T
ALONE--!

DANNY,
WHERE ARE
YOU?

SAY
SOMETHING!

WHERE'S
MY BABY?
DANNY!



LET ME
SHED SOME
LIGHT.

I SENSED A
SPECTRAL FORCE
AT WORK IN THIS AREA.
WHAT HAPPENED
HERE?

I DON'T
KNOW! THAT--
THAT THING SUDDENLY
APPEARED IN THE
ROAD, AND--



DANNYYYY!



DON'T
MOVE
HIM!

I'M A
DOCTOR. LET
ME EXAMINE
HIM FIRST!



PUPILS DILATED.
TRAUMATIC BRAIN
INJURY FROM THE
IMPACT. A BLOOD
VESSEL HAS
RUPTURED--

--AND FROM
IT, BLOOD'S LEAKING
QUICKLY INTO THE
SPACE BETWEEN HIS
BRAIN AND HIS SKULL,
AND THAT SPACE
CAN TAKE ONLY SO
MUCH PRESSURE.

THAT'S THE VERBAL
DIAGNOSIS, AS BAD
AS IT SOUNDS. HERE'S
WHAT I'M NOT
SAYING OUT LOUD:

WITHOUT A PINPOINT-
PRECISION OPERATION,
THIS BOY HAS ONLY
MINUTES TO LIVE, AND HE
CANNOT BE MOVED.

