

MY NAME IS LINEAGE. IF YOU CAN HEAR MY VOICE, YOU ARE LIKE ME-- AN INHUMAN.

WHETHER YOU JUST BECAME ONE AFTER AN ENCOUNTER WITH THE TERRIGEN CLOUD ROLLING AROUND THE PLANET...

...OR YOU'RE WITH ONE OF THE OLDER GROUPS. ENNILUX, ATTILAN, OROLLAN, OR ANY OF THE OTHERS...

I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR ALL OF YOU. IT'S THE SAME MESSAGE, BUT I THINK YOU'LL HEAR IT DIFFERENTLY DEPENDING ON WHETHER YOU'RE NEW OR OLD.

HERE IT IS. LISTEN CLOSELY.

SCREW 'EM.

ALL THOSE OLD FACTIONS AND FAMILIES-- THEY'VE BEEN ON THE PLANET FOR A VERY LONG TIME, LIKE TWENTY-THOUSAND YEARS, SOME OF 'EM.

THEY THINK THAT GIVES THEM AUTHORITY OVER US. OWNERSHIP, EVEN. LIKE WE'RE SUPPOSED TO JUST SIGN UP TO SUPPORT THEIR CAUSES, BELIEVE WHAT THEY BELIEVE.

JOIN THEIR ARMIES. FIGHT FOR THEM.

DIE FOR THEM.





FORGET IT. WE'RE THE NUHUMANS. WE'RE OUR OWN FACTION, AND THERE ARE A HELL OF A LOT MORE OF US THAN THERE ARE OF THEM.

IF SOMEONE TRIES TO TELL YOU WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR POWERS, YOU SHOW THEM WHAT POWER IS. LIVE YOUR OWN LIFE.

I'M HERE IN NEW ATILAN, RIGHT AT THE HEART OF ONE OF THE BIGGEST SEATS OF INHUMAN POWER ON THE PLANET. I TOOK IT FROM THEM. HOW?

BECAUSE I DECIDED TO.

ANY ONE OF YOU CAN DO THE SAME THING.

YOU MAY WONDER WHY I'M TELLING YOU THIS.

IT'S SIMPLE ENOUGH.

THIS IS OUR PLANET. IT ALWAYS WAS.



"YOU KNOW HOW WHEN YOU *STUDY* SOMETHING, YOU GET TO A POINT WHERE YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT IT REALLY *IS*, INSIDE AND OUT?

"I THINK YOU ALSO GET A PRETTY GOOD PICTURE OF WHAT IT'S *NOT*."

"THAT'S WHAT ENNILUX--OR THE CAPO, REALLY--FIGURED OUT ABOUT THE INHUMAN CODEX. SURE, IT'S A DATABASE OF THE ENTIRE INHUMAN GENOME.



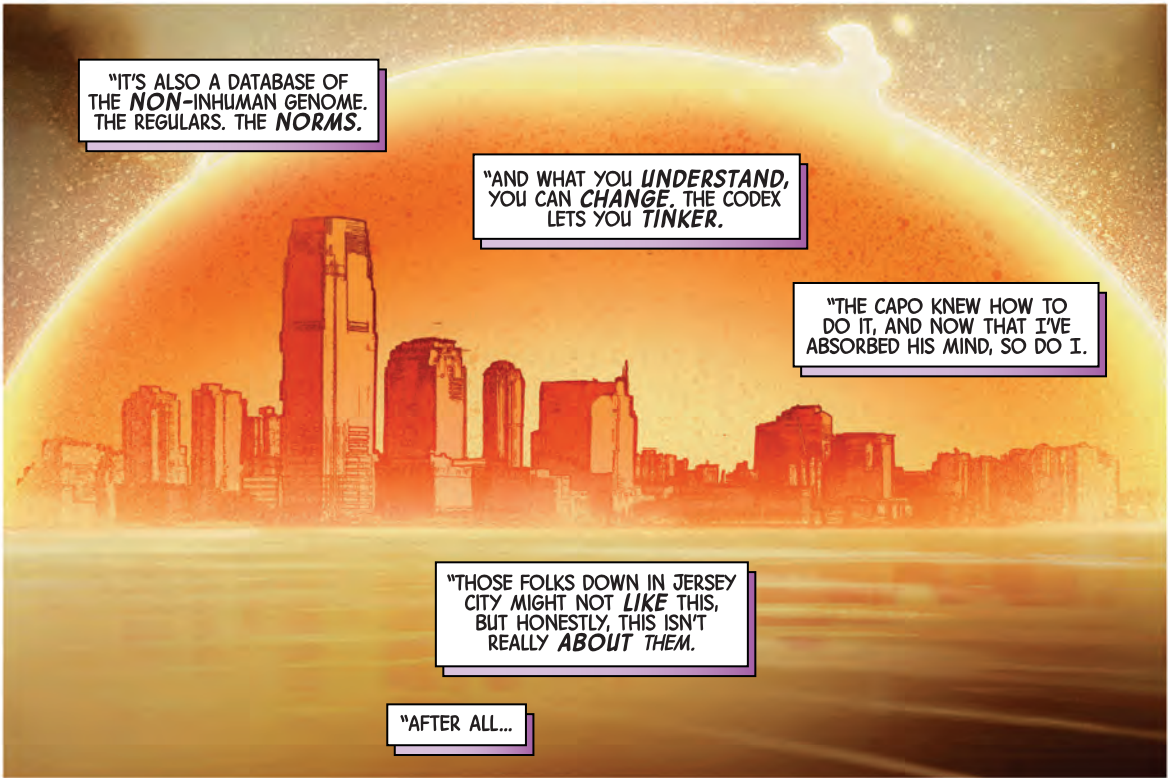
"IT'S ALSO A DATABASE OF THE *NON*-INHUMAN GENOME. THE REGULARS. THE *NORMS*."

"AND WHAT YOU *UNDERSTAND*, YOU CAN *CHANGE*. THE CODEX LETS YOU *TINKER*."

"THE CAPO KNEW HOW TO DO IT, AND NOW THAT I'VE ABSORBED HIS MIND, SO DO I."

"THOSE FOLKS DOWN IN JERSEY CITY MIGHT NOT *LIKE* THIS, BUT HONESTLY, THIS ISN'T REALLY *ABOUT* THEM."

"AFTER ALL..."



"...THEY'RE ONLY HUMAN."

UH-OH.



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