

MY BEST FRIEND STEVE ROGERS ONCE TOLD ME "BEING ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS MEANS DOING WHAT'S RIGHT, NO MATTER WHAT IT COSTS."

STABLE DATA CONNECTION ESTABLISHED! S.H.I.E.L.D. SERVER SECURITY IS IMPRESSIVE, BUT IT'S NO MATCH FOR MY TECH-PAC.

THREE MINUTES AND WE'LL BE GOOD TO GO.

I TRY AND LIVE BY THAT WISDOM EVERY DAMN DAY.

WE DON'T HAVE THREE MINUTES!

MY SENSORS ARE PICKING UP SIX ARMORED ENEMIES HEADING OUR WAY... FAST!

IT'S NOT EASY...

...AND IT NEVER WILL BE.

EXCELLENT! I WAS GETTING BORED WATCHING NORBERT FONDLE MACHINERY.

BUT THAT'S FINE...

SAY THE WORD AND IT'S GO-TIME!

...NOTHING WORTHWHILE EVER IS.

OKAY, TEAM, SHOW ME WHAT YOU'VE GOT.



# THUNDERBOLTS

THERE IS NO HIGH ROAD: PART ONE  
"POWER AND CONTROL"

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BATTLE-TESTED BRUISER.  
ABLE TO INCREASE HIS  
SIZE AND MASS.

## MOONSTONE:

KARLA SOFEN--  
BRILLIANT PSYCHOLOGIST  
WIELDING ANCIENT ALIEN  
COSMIC POWER.

## THE FIXER:

PAUL NORBERT EBERSOL--  
MECHANICAL GENIUS USING  
ADVANCED ADAPTABLE  
TECHNOLOGY.

## WINTER SOLDIER:

JAMES "BUCKY" BARNES--  
HIGHLY-TRAINED OPERATIVE WITH  
ADVANCED COMBAT SKILLS AND A  
BIONIC ARM. NEW LEADER OF THE  
THUNDERBOLTS.







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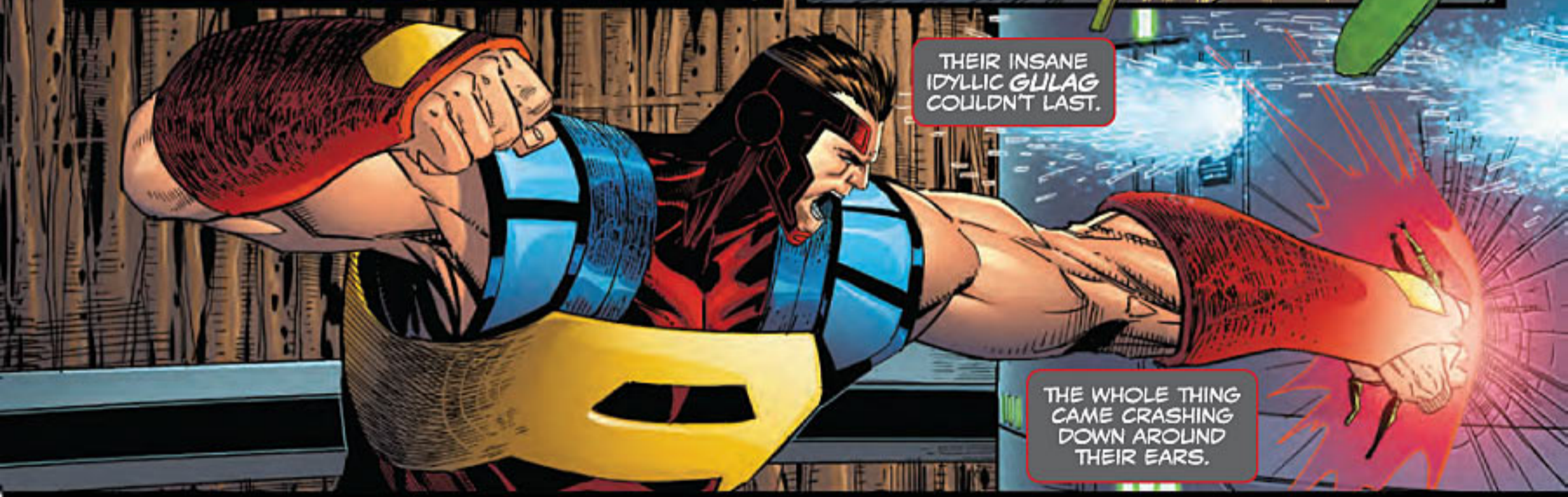
I DON'T KNOW IF STEVE WILL UNDERSTAND MY NEW MISSION.

THE **GREATER GOOD** I'M FIGHTING FOR.



S.H.I.E.L.D. CREATED A PRISON FOR SUPER VILLAINS BY ALTERING REALITY, WIPING THEIR MINDS AND STRIPPING AWAY THEIR IDENTITIES. MAKING THEM ALL THINK THEY LIVED IN A SLEEPY TOWN CALLED **PLEASANT HILL**.

THEY EVEN RECRUITED FORMER CRIMINALS LIKE ABE TO HELP RUN THE PLACE.



THEIR INSANE IDYLIC **GULAG** COULDN'T LAST.

THE WHOLE THING CAME CRASHING DOWN AROUND THEIR EARS.



NOW WE HAVE TO CLEAN UP THE MESS AND MAKE SURE IT NEVER HAPPENS AGAIN.