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AND SO OF
ALL MY KIND, I
WAS THE ONLY
CHOSEN.



THERE WAS
NO CHOICE AT
ALL. IT WAS
OBVIOUS THAT
SINCE I COULD
DO THIS, I
MUST.



AND SO
I BECAME
A GREEN
LANTERN.



I FOUGHT
WITH HONOR
AND TRUTH.



AND SO I
WAS CHOSEN
FOR A GREAT
MISSION.



A GREAT WEAPON, TOO POWERFUL TO BE DESTROYED, NEEDED TO BE HIDDEN AWAY.

I WAS GIVEN MEANS TO RESIST ITS POWER AND TO CARRY IT FAR FROM THE HANDS OF THOSE WHO WOULD USE IT FOR ILL.



AND SO I WENT TO ANOTHER PLACE. OUR UNIVERSE, BUT NOT TIME.



IT WAS A PLACE OF GREAT ISOLATION, WHERE THEY HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OR CONCERN OF THE GREATER REALITY.



AND SO THE UNIVERSAL RING WAS HIDDEN.



MY MISSION WAS COMPLETE, AND I WOULD RETURN HOME TO GLORY. BUT THIS WAS NOT ALLOWED.



AND SO
I REALIZED I
WAS MEANT
TO REMAIN
HERE.



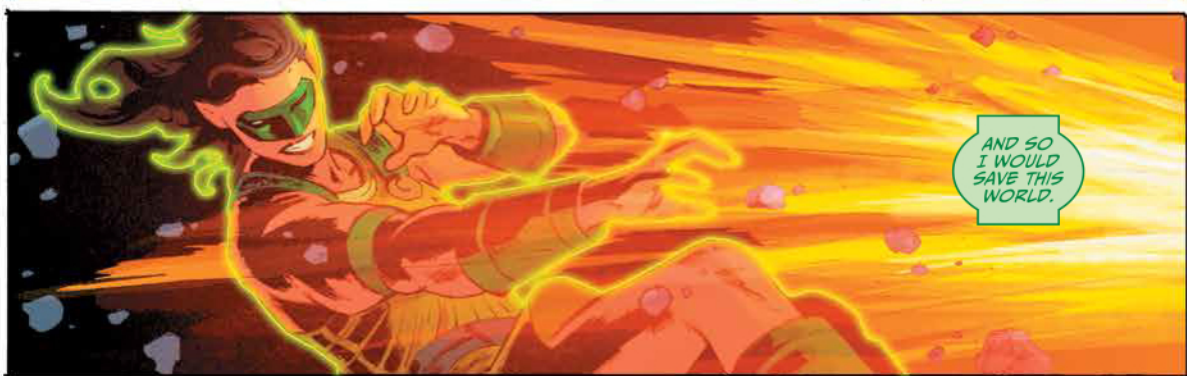
FOREVER.
I COULD NOT
RETURN TO MY
OWN TIME
THREAD, MY OWN
PLANET.



AND SO I
TURNED MY FACE
TO THE CHALLENGE
PRESENTED. THIS
WORLD WAS ON THE
BRINK OF GREAT
DESTRUCTION.



THIS
PLACE
NEEDED
MY AID.



AND SO
I WOULD
SAVE THIS
WORLD.





THAT IS *GREEN*, THE COLOR OF WILL.

IN THE HANDS OF THOSE WHO CAN WIELD THEM, THEY ARE OBJECTS OF TREMENDOUS *POWER*. BUT THERE ARE MANY. WHAT I SEEK IS UNIQUE, AND *WILL* GIVE ME DOMINION OVER THEM.



MAGIC.

NO, THIS IS *SCIENCE*. ALTHOUGH ONE SO ADVANCED THE DISTINCTION WOULD PROBABLY BE MOOT TO YOU. THIS RING IS OLD. PERHAPS OLD ENOUGH TO STILL HAVE THE WEAKNESS AGAINST *YELLOW*.

IS THIS SOMETHING THAT I COULD HAVE USED? AN OPPORTUNITY THAT I LEFT SITTING IN A CAVE?



NO. YOU HAVE TO BE EXTRAORDINARY TO WIELD THIS RING. YOU...ARE NOT.



THE UNIVERSAL RING *DRAINS* THE OTHER RINGS OF THE ENERGY THAT POWERS THEM, RENDERING THEM, AS JORDAN AND I DISCOVERED, POWERLESS.



THIS DEVICE IS CLEARLY INTENDED TO *BLOCK* THAT EFFECT. I CANNOT REPOWER MY RING, BUT THIS GREEN LANTERN RING RETAINS A FULL CHARGE. I WAS A GREEN LANTERN ONCE...

...PERHAPS I CAN BE SO AGAIN.