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PULLED FROM HIS OWN ERA AND RAISED IN A FAR-FLUNG FUTURE, NATHAN SUMMERS HAS TRAVERSED TIME IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE HUMAN AND MUTANT ALIKE. HE IS THE LINK BETWEEN THE PAST, THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE. HE IS KNOWN BY MANY NAMES, BUT TO MOST HE IS SIMPLY THE MAN CALLED...

CABLE

AFTER REUNITING WITH HIS ESTRANGED DAUGHTER HOPE, CABLE SET OUT TO FIGHT A TECHNO-ORGANIC MONSTER THAT'S BEEN TORMENTING HIM FOR YEARS. DURING THE CONFLICT, THE MONSTER DUG INTO CABLE'S MIND, FORCING HIM TO CONFRONT THEIR LONG AND SORDID HISTORY. FIRST, REVISITING THEIR CONFLICT DURING THE MESSIAH WAR. THEN, BACK TO THE AGE OF THE HELLFIRE HUNT WHERE X-MAN LEARNED CABLE HARBORED A HORRIBLE SECRET ABOUT THE MONSTER. FINALLY, BACK TO CABLE'S EARLY DAYS LEADING X-FORCE WHERE HE FACED THE MONSTER FOR THE FIRST TIME.

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2,000 YEARS IN THE FUTURE.

...I ONCE SAW A GUY WHOSE WHOLE BODY WAS MADE OF ICE!

YEAH? WELL, I KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN MAKE THEMSELVES INTO ANYTHING.

THAT'S A LIE AND YOU KNOW IT!

IF LORD APOCALYPSE'S GUARDS HEAR US...

YOU KNOW WHAT THEY DO TO PEOPLE WHO TALK ABOUT FULL-SCANS*..

THEY MAKE THEM DISAPPEAR.

I HEARD APOCALYPSE HIMSELF CUTS THEIR TONGUES OUT.

*FULL-SCAN=MUTANTS.

GUYS, I DON'T WANNA TALK ABOUT THIS--

YOU SCARED?

LIKE YOU WERE ON THAT CLIFF?

I SAW A FULL-SCAN ONCE.

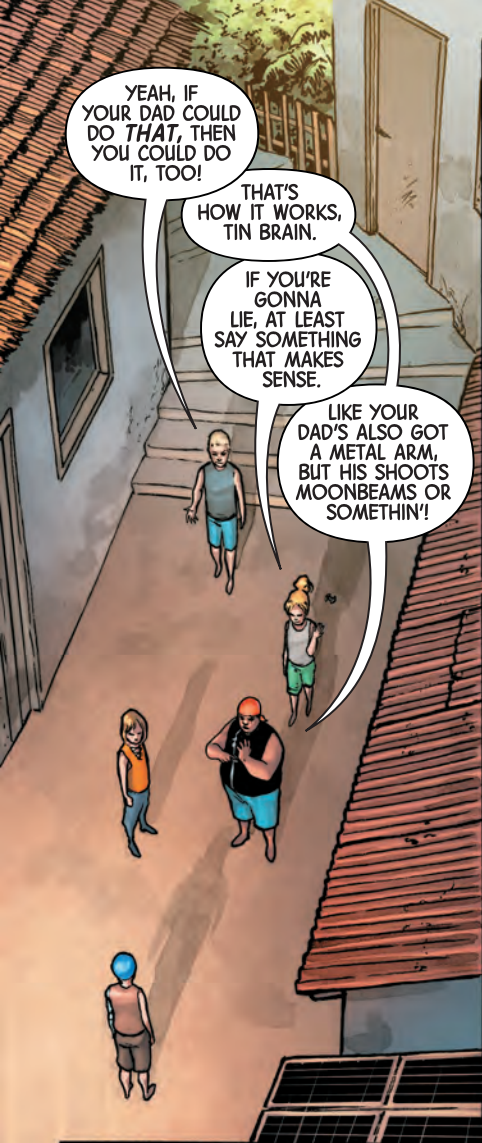
WAS IT THE GUY WHO GOES BAMF AND DISAPPEARS?

NAH, IT WAS AN OLD WOMAN WITH CLAWS IN HER HANDS!

WHAT ABOUT YOU, DAYSRING?

WELL...UHM... MY DAD CAN SHOOT LASERS OUT OF HIS EYES!

THAT'S THE WORST LIE YET!

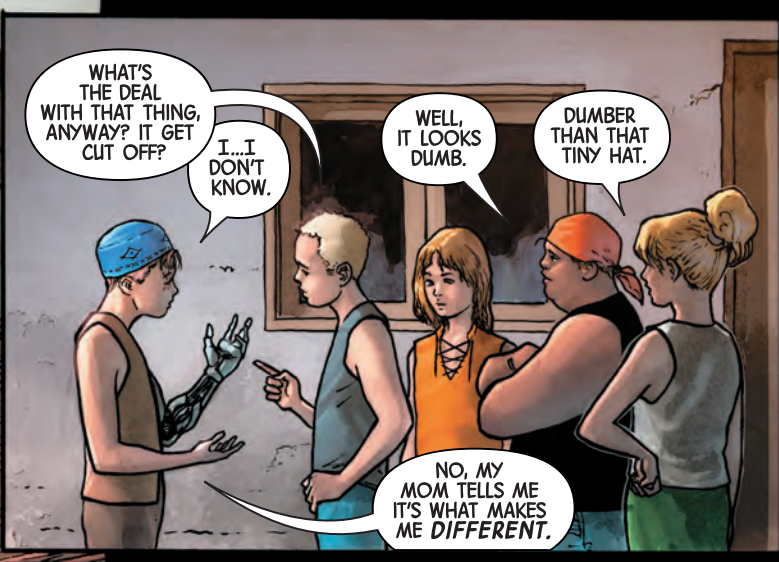


YEAH, IF YOUR DAD COULD DO THAT, THEN YOU COULD DO IT, TOO!

THAT'S HOW IT WORKS, TIN BRAIN.

IF YOU'RE GONNA LIE, AT LEAST SAY SOMETHING THAT MAKES SENSE.

LIKE YOUR DAD'S ALSO GOT A METAL ARM, BUT HIS SHOOTS MOONBEAMS OR SOMETHIN'!



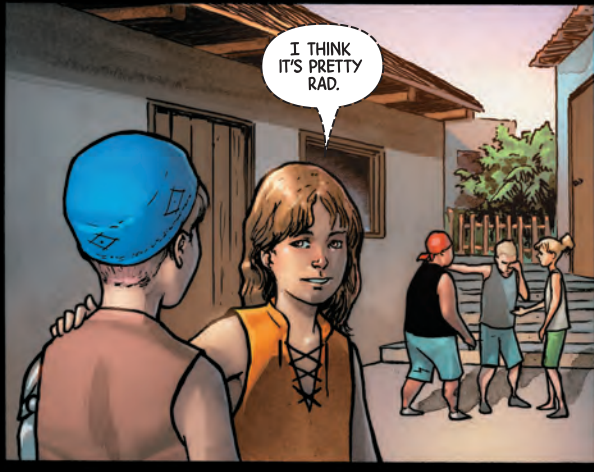
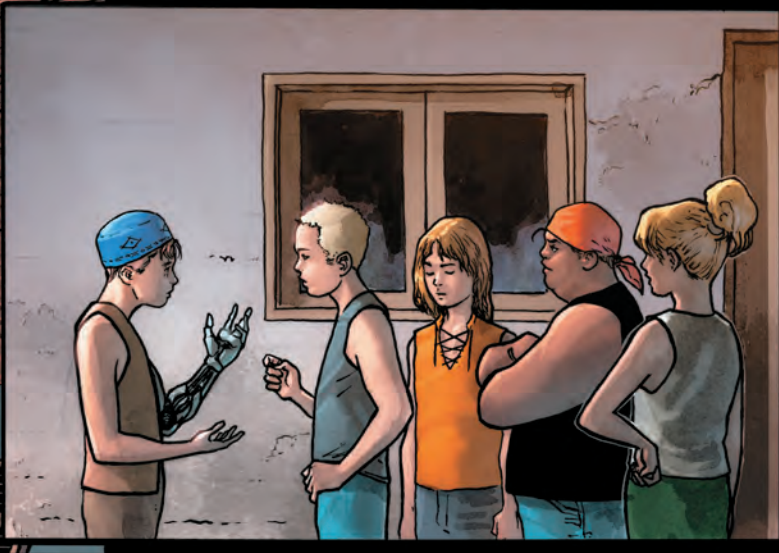
WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THAT THING, ANYWAY? IT GET CUT OFF?

I...I DON'T KNOW.

WELL, IT LOOKS DUMB.

DUMBER THAN THAT TINY HAT.

NO, MY MOM TELLS ME IT'S WHAT MAKES ME DIFFERENT.



I THINK IT'S PRETTY RAD.



DON'T WORRY, I WON'T TELL THEM YOUR SECRET.

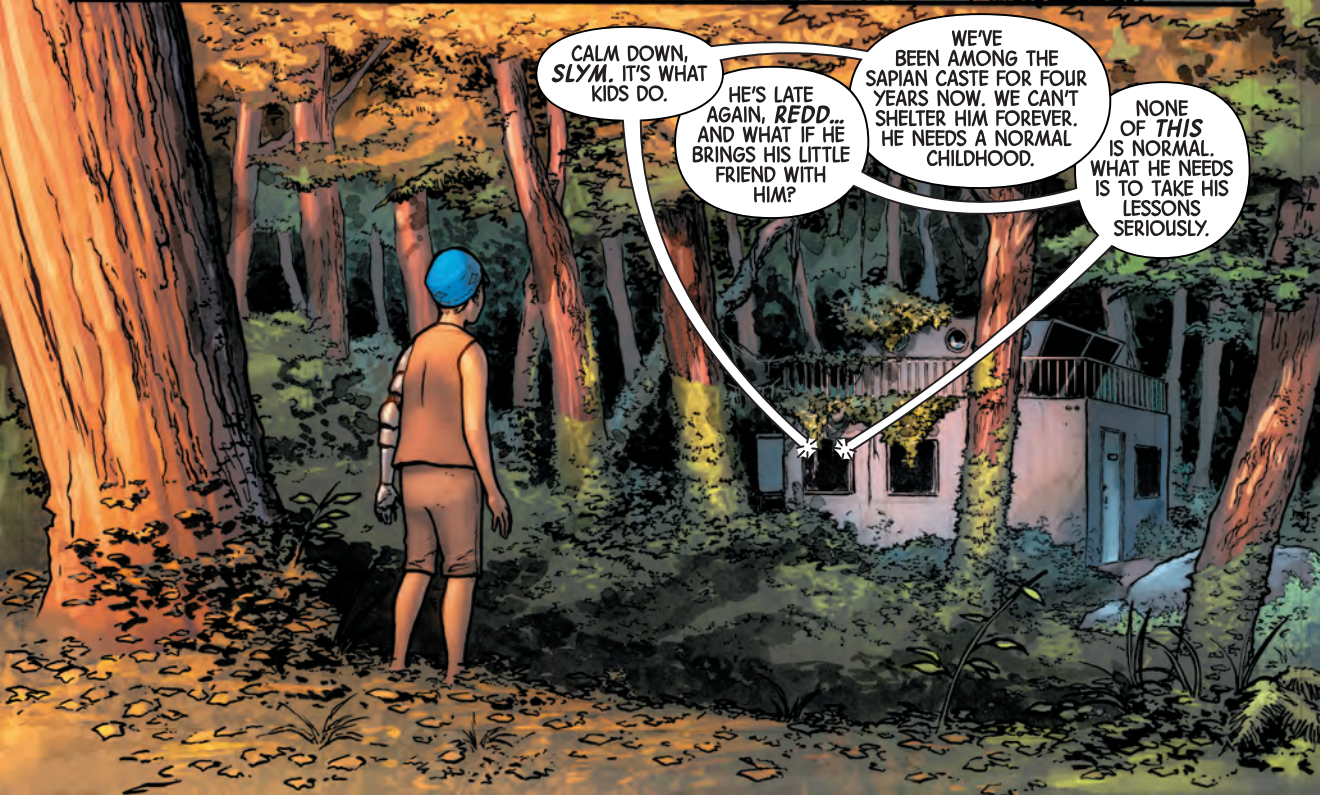


WHERE YOU GOIN'? C'MON, DAYSPRING!

WE DIDN'T MEAN IT.

I'M ALREADY LATE. I GOTTA GET HOME.

AWW, LET HIM GO.

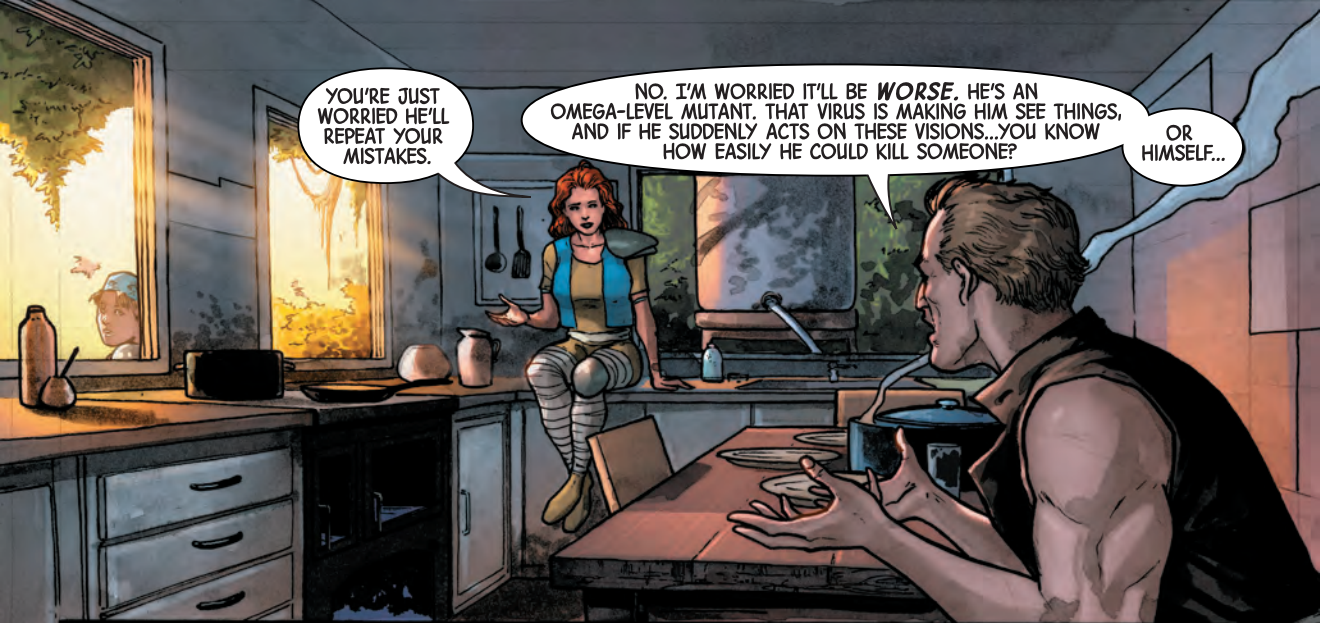


CALM DOWN, *SLYM*. IT'S WHAT KIDS DO.

HE'S LATE AGAIN, *REDD*... AND WHAT IF HE BRINGS HIS LITTLE FRIEND WITH HIM?

WE'VE BEEN AMONG THE SAPIAN CASTE FOR FOUR YEARS NOW. WE CAN'T SHELTER HIM FOREVER. HE NEEDS A NORMAL CHILDHOOD.

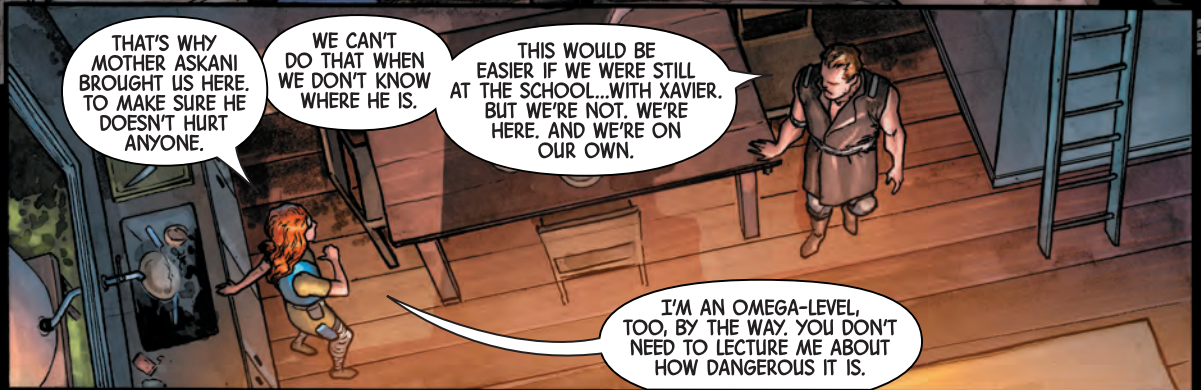
NONE OF *THIS* IS NORMAL. WHAT HE NEEDS IS TO TAKE HIS LESSONS SERIOUSLY.



YOU'RE JUST WORRIED HE'LL REPEAT YOUR MISTAKES.

NO. I'M WORRIED IT'LL BE **WORSE**. HE'S AN OMEGA-LEVEL MUTANT. THAT VIRUS IS MAKING HIM SEE THINGS, AND IF HE SUDDENLY ACTS ON THESE VISIONS...YOU KNOW HOW EASILY HE COULD KILL SOMEONE?

OR HIMSELF...



THAT'S WHY MOTHER ASKANI BROUGHT US HERE, TO MAKE SURE HE DOESN'T HURT ANYONE.

WE CAN'T DO THAT WHEN WE DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS.

THIS WOULD BE EASIER IF WE WERE STILL AT THE SCHOOL...WITH XAVIER. BUT WE'RE NOT. WE'RE HERE. AND WE'RE ON OUR OWN.

I'M AN OMEGA-LEVEL, TOO, BY THE WAY. YOU DON'T NEED TO LECTURE ME ABOUT HOW DANGEROUS IT IS.



BUT YOU'RE IN CONTROL. HE'S NOT. IF HE HAS AN EPISODE WHEN HE'S WITH HIS FRIENDS--

APOCALYPSE WON'T FIND HIM.

YOU CAN'T KNOW THAT, EVEN WITH YOUR POWERS. WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE. WE HAVE TO--



I ALREADY KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING. I DON'T LIKE IT.

IT'S HARSH, BUT HE'S SUPPOSED TO LEAD THE REBELLION AGAINST APOCALYPSE SOMEDAY. IT'S OUR JOB TO KEEP HIM SAFE.

THEN IT'S SETTLED.

YOU CAN BE THE ONE TO TELL HIM HE'S NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE FRIENDS ANYMORE.