

INVADERS OF MARS

CHAPTER 3



"I REMEMBER THE FIRST TIME
I SAW YOU, DEJAH THORIS."

"IT WAS DURING A PARADE
COMMEMORATING ONE OF YOUR
FATHER'S MILITARY VICTORIES."

"IT SEEMED TO ME THE
ENTIRETY OF HELIUM WAS THERE,
CHEERING FOR TARDOS MORS
AND KANTOS KAN."

"CHEERING FOR YOU."



"I HAD NEVER SEEN ANYONE
LIKE YOU, PRINCESS."



"YOU WERE
PERFECTION."



"I WAVED, I CALLED
OUT. I DID EVERYTHING
I COULD TO GET YOUR
ATTENTION."



"BUT YOU DIDN'T
SEE ME."



"IN ALL THE YEARS THAT
FOLLOWED, NO MATTER
WHAT I'VE DONE..."



...YOU'VE NEVER SEEN ME.

AND THEN YOU PICKED THE SOLDIER FROM JASOOM.



LOOK WHERE THAT'S GOTTEN YOU.

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO PUT ME IN HERE, VUSH TANZAR.

YOU CONSPIRED WITH THESE INVADERS TO PUT HELIUM UNDER THEIR HEEL.

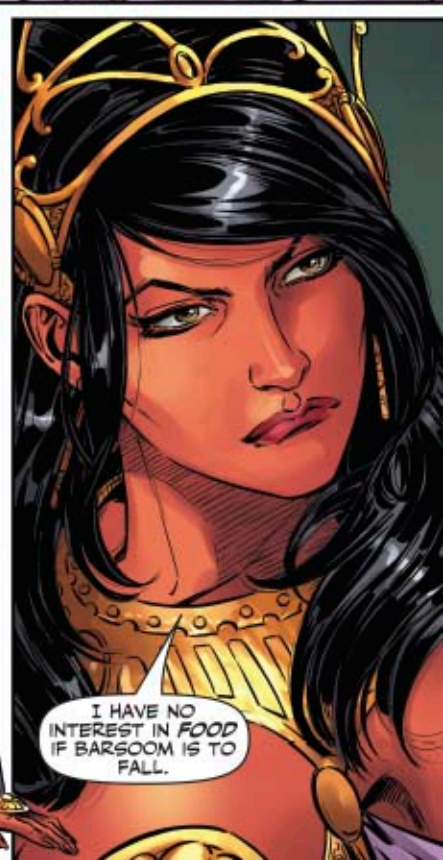


AND YOU COULD HAVE HAD A BETTER FATE. YOU COULD HAVE HAD A BETTER LIFE.

WITH ME.

YOUR DINNER.

I'M NOT HUNGRY.



I HAVE NO INTEREST IN FOOD IF BARSOOM IS TO FALL.



POOR DECISIONS ARE NOTHING *NEW* FOR YOU, PRINCESS.

YOU THINK I SHOULD DECIDE TO *BETRAY* BARSOOM?



WHAT HAS *BARSOOM* EVER DONE FOR ME?

IGNORED ME?

BELITTLED ME?



BROKE MY *HEART*?

WHATEVER YOUR *FEEBLE* JUSTIFICATION, THERE CAN *NEVER* BE A REASON TO *BETRAY* YOUR OWN PEOPLE.

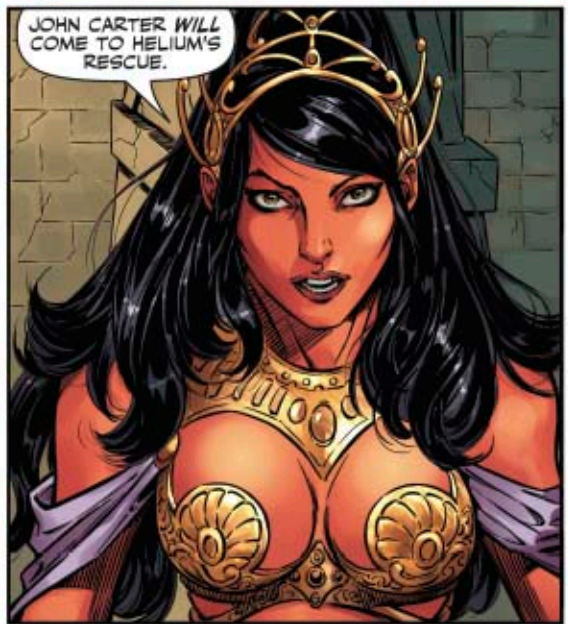


MY OWN PEOPLE *DROVE* ME TO THIS.

AND JOHN CARTER WILL SEE THAT YOU AND THE *KAHORI* ARE *THWARTED*.



YOUR JOHN CARTER IS *DEAD!*



JOHN CARTER WILL COME TO HELIUM'S RESCUE.