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**THE JUSTICE LEAGUE OF
AMERICA**
POWER AND GLORY
PART SIX

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NOTHING BUT MASSIVE SEISMIC ACTIVITY IN THE ARCTIC, BATMAN.

NEAR HIS FORTRESS THING.

HAVE TO ASSUME RAO HAS HIM.

HERE.

THIS ONE OF THOSE PROPHET'S STAFFS?



THEY SEEM TO USE THEM FOR EVERYTHING FROM HEALING AND BAPTISM TO OFFENSIVE WEAPONRY.

WONDERED IF YOU COULD HACK INTO IT, VIC.

OKAY, LET ME SEE...

HE'S THAT POWERFUL? RAO, I MEAN. HE CAN TAKE OUT SUPERMAN?

DIDN'T THINK ANYBODY COULD REALLY DO THAT.

GOD, WHAT AM I EVEN DOING HERE? IT'S INSANE.



WHEN RAO FIRST SHOWED UP, HE GLOWED RED AND SUPERMAN FELL OUT OF THE SKY. WE ALL SAW IT.

RED SOLAR RADIATION. EXPOSURE TO ENOUGH OF IT WILL CANCEL A KRYPTONIAN'S POWER.

ANYTHING WE COULD USE AGAINST RAO?



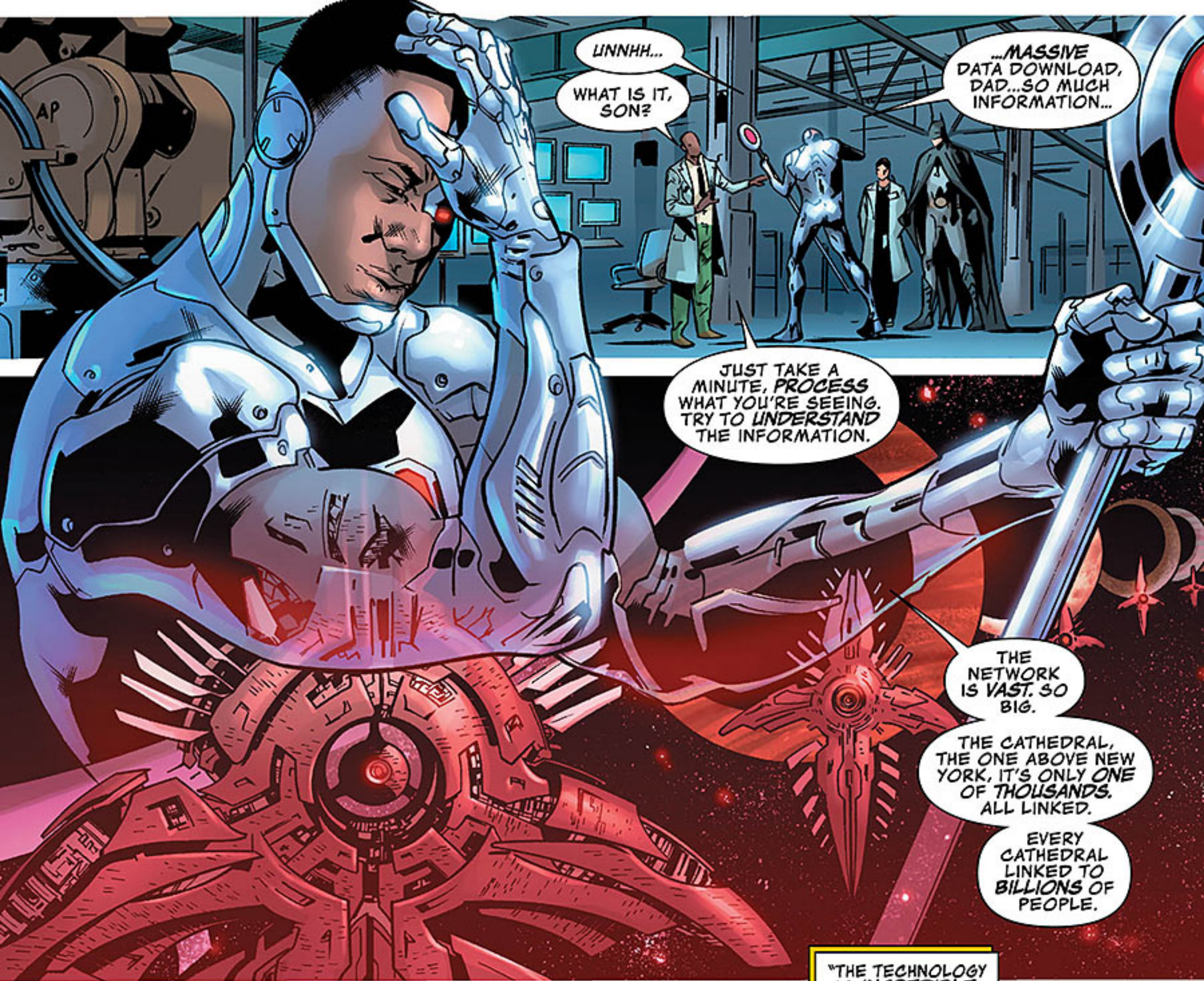
HAVE TO ASSUME NOT, DR. STONE, OR HE'D HAVE BEEN AFFECTED, TOO.

THAT OR HE'S POWERED BY MORE THAN JUST YELLOW SOLAR RADIATION.

I'M IN.

IT'S A NODE OF SORTS, CONNECTED TO SOMETHING ELSE. CHANNELS INFORMATION, ENERGY, BOTH TO AND FROM A SOURCE. PROBABLY THE CATHEDRAL OR SOMETHING IN IT.

I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THE SIGNAL.



LNNHH...
WHAT IS IT, SON?

...MASSIVE DATA DOWNLOAD, DAD...SO MUCH INFORMATION...

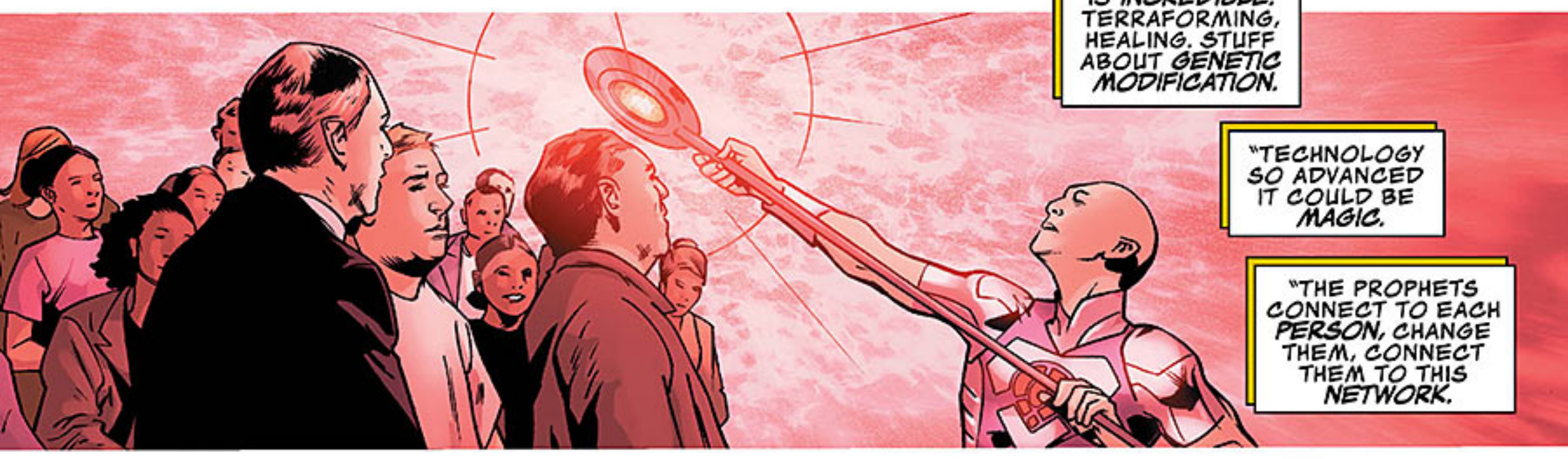
JUST TAKE A MINUTE, PROCESS WHAT YOU'RE SEEING. TRY TO UNDERSTAND THE INFORMATION.

THE NETWORK IS VAST, SO BIG.

THE CATHEDRAL, THE ONE ABOVE NEW YORK, IT'S ONLY ONE OF THOUSANDS. ALL LINKED.

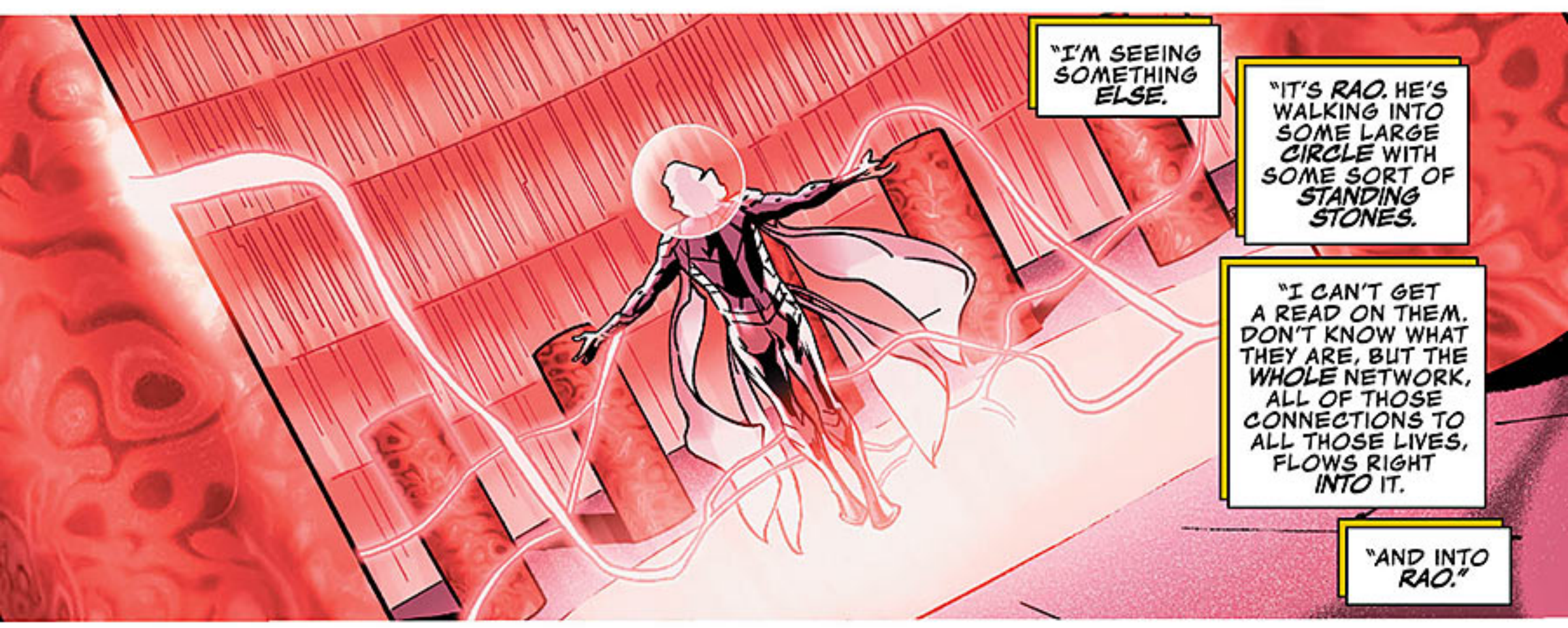
EVERY CATHEDRAL LINKED TO BILLIONS OF PEOPLE.

"THE TECHNOLOGY IS INCREDIBLE. TERRAFORMING, HEALING. STUFF ABOUT GENETIC MODIFICATION.



"TECHNOLOGY SO ADVANCED IT COULD BE MAGIC.

"THE PROPHETS CONNECT TO EACH PERSON, CHANGE THEM, CONNECT THEM TO THIS NETWORK.

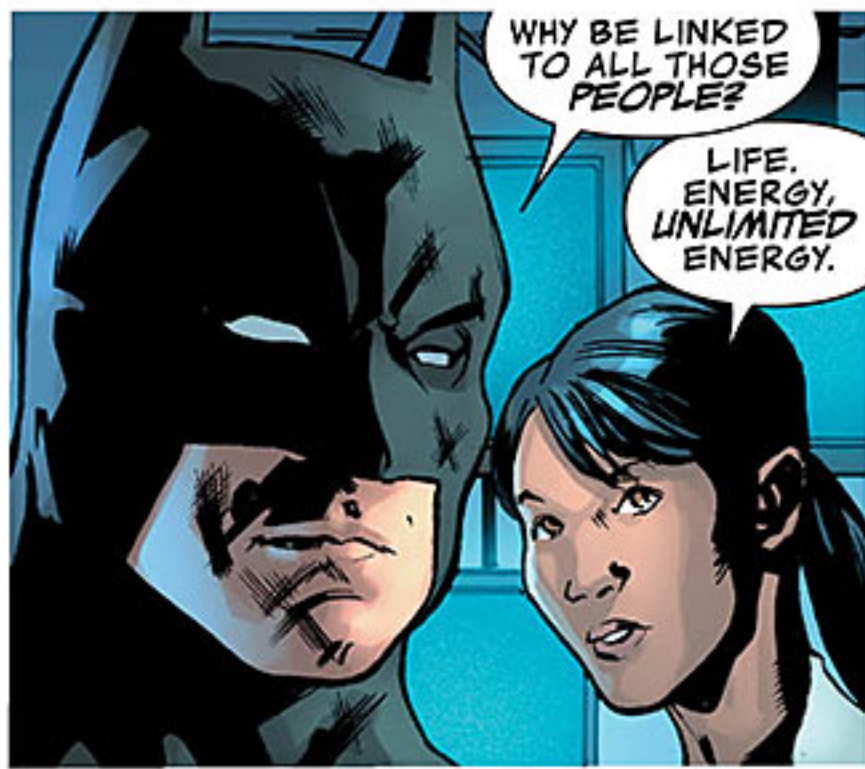


"I'M SEEING SOMETHING ELSE.

"IT'S RAO. HE'S WALKING INTO SOME LARGE CIRCLE WITH SOME SORT OF STANDING STONES.

"I CAN'T GET A READ ON THEM. DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY ARE, BUT THE WHOLE NETWORK, ALL OF THOSE CONNECTIONS TO ALL THOSE LIVES, FLOWS RIGHT INTO IT.

"AND INTO RAO."



WHY BE LINKED TO ALL THOSE PEOPLE?

LIFE, ENERGY, UNLIMITED ENERGY.



YES. THOUSANDS OF BILLIONS OF LIVES. MAKE THEM HAPPY, KEEP THE CATTLE CALM, HEALTHY BUT EACH ONE CONNECTED TO HIM, TO RAO.

ENERGY IS MOVING FROM ALL THOSE PEOPLE INTO THIS HUGE NETWORK, WITH RAO AT THE CENTER.



WHAT WOULD THAT DO?

ONE LIVING THING TAKING ENERGY FROM THE OTHER? THAT'S FEEDING, PREDATION.

THEY LIVE LESS AND HE LIVES A LOT MORE. THE LIFE ENERGY OF THAT MANY PEOPLE AT YOUR DISPOSAL COULD MAKE YOU VERY POWERFUL.

IMMORTAL. UNDYING. INDESTRUCTIBLE IF YOU DIDN'T MIND USING UP THE LIVES OF OTHERS TO KEEP YOURSELF GOING.



AND UNDER THIS YELLOW SUN, A KRYPTONIAN WITH THAT POWER?

HE'S STRONG ENOUGH TO BEAT SUPERMAN. HE MAY HAVE BEEN EVEN BEFORE HE GOT HERE. HE'S A KRYPTONIAN LIKE HIM BUT POWERED BY BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF LIVES.

HOW DO YOU FIGHT THAT?



IN THE HOSPITAL, THAT GUY SPINKS, WHEN I DEFIBBED HIM, HE WAS DIFFERENT, CONFUSED. LIKE HE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING. I THINK IT DISCONNECTED HIM FROM THIS RAO NETWORK.

WE'D HAVE TO DEFIB THE WHOLE WORLD, DR. WILLIAMS.

IT'S NOT JUST EVERYBODY ON EARTH, IT'S ALL THE OTHER WORLDS HE'S CONVERTED, TOO. ALL CONNECTED BY A NETWORK OF THESE CATHEDRALS.



WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO DISCONNECT HIM FROM EVERYBODY, EVERYWHERE!

WONDER WOMAN IS MISSING, AQUAMAN ISN'T ANSWERING. FLASH AND GL ARE GONE, AND RAO HAS SUPERMAN.

JUST US.

US VERSUS GOD.

