

★ MY NAME IS BOOSTER GOLD.

Aw, WHO AM I KIDDING? YOU KNOW WHO I AM.

WHAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW IS THAT IN THE FUTURE, WHERE I'M FROM, MY REAL NAME IS MICHAEL JON CARTER.

\*TRANSLATED FROM KRYPTONIAN. --Paul

<DOWNLOADING LOCAL LANGUAGE: ENGLISH.>\*

YOU ADORN YOURSELF WITH THE HOUSE OF EL'S MARK.

GENETIC SCAN CONFIRMS YOU ARE LIKELY OF THAT HOUSE.

YET YOU ARE NOT LISTED IN ERADICATOR DATABASE.

QUERY: WHO, EXACTLY, ARE YOU?

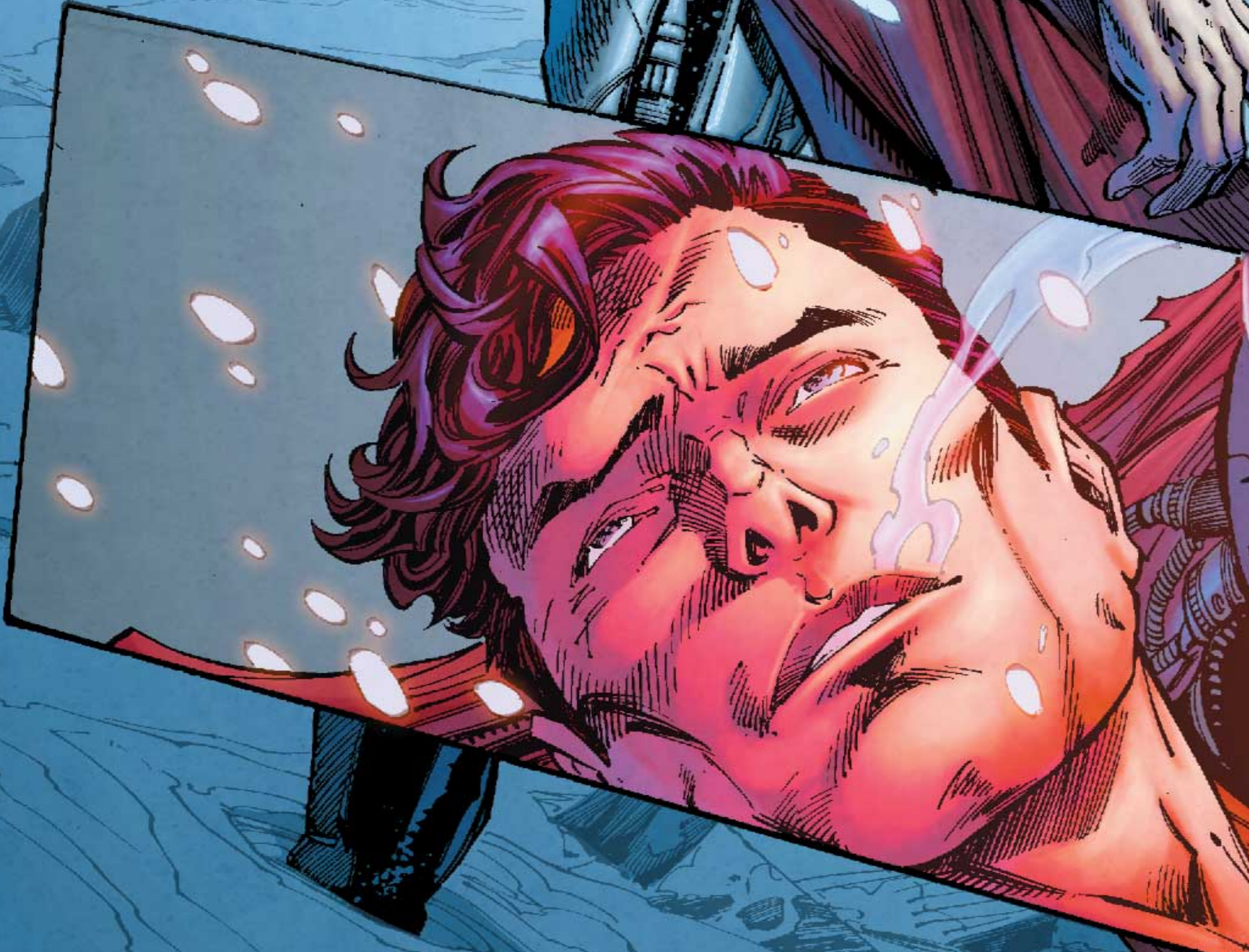
MOST PEOPLE THINK OF ME AS A LIGHTWEIGHT, FOR SALE TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

TRUE, THOSE "SHIELD THE GOLD" ADULT DIAPER ADS DIDN'T HELP.

BUT ALL THAT CELEBRITY STUFF IS ONLY A COVER.

IN REALITY, I PROTECT TIME.

WHEN SUPERMAN HERE WENT INTO THE PAST LOOKING FOR ANSWERS, I WENT AFTER HIM.



Uhh...

I'M A MAN WHO'S HAPPY TO BE HOME AGAIN.

MY FRIENDS CALL ME...



DUDE.  
REMAND ME  
NOT TO GET  
ON YOUR  
BAD SIDE.

NORMALLY, A ROOKIE  
SURFING THE TIME  
STREAM IS BAD NEWS.

BUT THIS IS SUPERMAN  
WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

AND YOU CAN'T BLAME A GUY FOR  
WANTING TO KNOW IF HIS FATHER  
SURVIVED A PLANET'S ANNIHILATION.\*

WE HAVE  
A PROBLEM,  
BOOSTER.

Nuh-uh, SKEETS.  
WE'RE OBVIOUSLY BACK  
UNDER EARTH'S YELLOW  
SUN AGAIN...

...WHICH IS  
WHY SUPERMAN CAN  
ROCK THE CASBAH.

TAKE  
ANOTHER  
LOOK AT THE  
SKYLINE.

DID WE  
MISS OUR  
TARGET?

WHERE'D  
WE END  
UP?

PARIS?  
TORONTO?

# BOOM

GOTHAM  
CITY.

BUT  
NOT IN THE  
WAY YOU'D  
SUPPOSE.

\*SUPERMAN WENT SEARCHING  
FOR ANSWERS FOLLOWING THE  
EVENTS OF THE OZ EFFECT.  
--Paul

ARE  
YOU  
FREAKING  
KIDDING  
ME?

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WE'RE... HOME?!

GOTHAM CITY, 2462, MICHAEL.

SHORTLY AFTER YOU STOLE THE TIME SPHERE AND DISAPPEARED INTO THE PAST.

WE WENT FROM A PAST THAT WAS REBUILDING ITSELF--WHERE KRYPTONIANS SURVIVED--TO THIS?\*

MILLIONS OF PEOPLE--MY PARENTS INCLUDED-- WOULD HAVE LIVED, BOOSTER!

BY TAKING US AWAY FROM THAT SHARD OF TIME... YOU STOPPED THAT FROM HAPPENING!

**KRAMMM**

\*ACTION COMICS #993-994 HAVE BEEN BANANAS. --Paul

YOU...DO GET THAT THE RAMIFICATIONS WOULD RESULT IN DRASTIC CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE MULTIVERSE, RIGHT?

I HATE TO SAY THIS, BLUE-SEPH, BUT KRYPTON'S DEATH--THE PAST YOU KNOW--MUST STAY IN PLACE!

★ GUARANTEEING THAT SUPERMAN WILL HATE ME FOR LIFE.

WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH US BEING HERE IN YOUR TIME?

**BRAMMM**

MICHAEL IS A PUBLIC DISGRACE HERE, SUPERMAN.

HE STOLE THE TIME SPHERE, UNIFORM AND MORE AND NOW TOPS THE SECURITY BUREAU'S WANTED LIST.

HARDLY A SHOCK.

MAYBE I UNDERESTIMATED WHAT HAVING JOR-EL ALIVE MEANS TO SUPERMAN.

AFTER ALL, MY OLD MAN WAS A NIGHTMARE.

I THINK YOU'LL WANT TO SEE THIS, COMMANDER BRODERICK.

HE WAS AN ABUSIVE JERK. PUT MY MOM IN THE HOSPITAL...

WE'RE DETECTING CHRONAL ENERGY OUTSIDE GOTHAM THAT MATCHES THE STOLEN TIME SPHERE'S.

I'LL BE DAMNED.

OUR BOY CARTER IS BACK.

...AND ME ON THE ROAD TO BECOMING A CRIMINAL.

GENERAL ZOD TASKED US WITH YOUR APPREHENSION.

ERADICATORS DO NOT FAIL.

**SKAZZ**

SUPERMAN MIGHT'VE MISSED OUT ON BEING RAISED BY ONE OF THE ALL-TIME GREATS...

I DIDN'T LIKE INTERFERING WITH YOUR LIFE...

...BUT I COULDN'T LET HISTORY GET CHANGED.

ALL I WANTED WAS THE ANSWER TO A SIMPLE QUESTION.

**DID JOR-EL SURVIVE?**

...BUT HE REBOUNDED WITH THE KENTS.

THEY MADE HIM THE MAN AND HERO HE IS TODAY.