

THE PLANET MALTUS.

HOME TO THE GUARDIANS
OF THE UNIVERSE.

TEN BILLION YEARS AGO.

FINALLY!

I WILL DESTROY
YOUR CIVILIZATION.
WIPE OUT YOUR
ENTIRE SPECIES.

FACE THE
WRATH OF---

VOLTHOON,
THE FIRST LANTERN!





THIS HAS GONE TOO FAR.

HE IS MAD.



WE BROUGHT THIS ON OURSELVES.

THAT IS AN EXCESSIVELY EMOTIONAL RESPONSE, GANTHET.



GUARDIANS, OUR CONNECTION TO THE EMOTIONAL SPECTRUM IS WEAK.

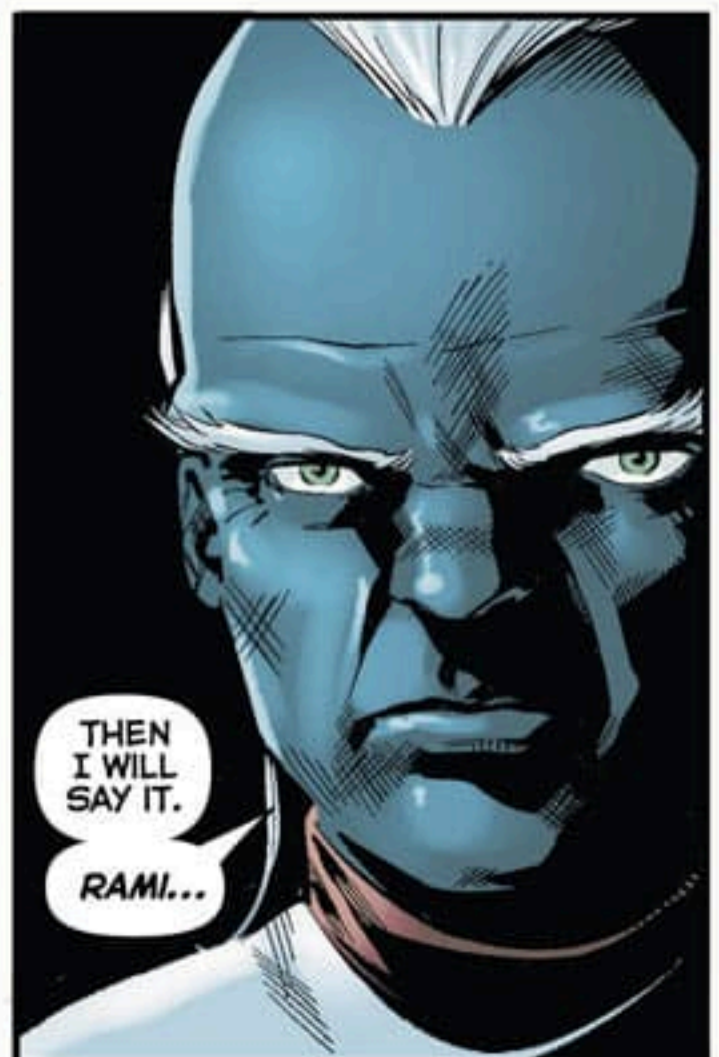
WE CANNOT STAND AGAINST HIM.

AS OUR INTELLECT HAS METASTASIZED, OUR BODIES GROW SMALL...



ALL OUR ACHIEVEMENTS... OUR WHOLE PLANET WILL BE A GRAVEYARD...

ENOUGH DWELLING ON THE PAST. WE NEED TO SAVE OUR FUTURE.



THEN I WILL SAY IT.

RAMI...



...WE NEED YOUR RINGS.

FINALLY.

YOU FINISHED BLATHERING WHILE THE WORLD BURNS?



THAT IS DEFINITELY AN EXCESSIVELY EMOTIONAL RESPONSE--

ARE YOU SURE THIS WILL WORK?

WE DON'T EXACTLY HAVE ANY OTHER OPTIONS.



WE MAY HAVE NO CONNECTION TO THE EMOTIONAL SPECTRUM, BUT THERE'S ROUGHLY 7E+19 BILLION SENTIENT LIFE-FORMS OUT THERE WHO STILL DO.

WE JUST NEED TO ASK SOME OF THEM FOR HELP.



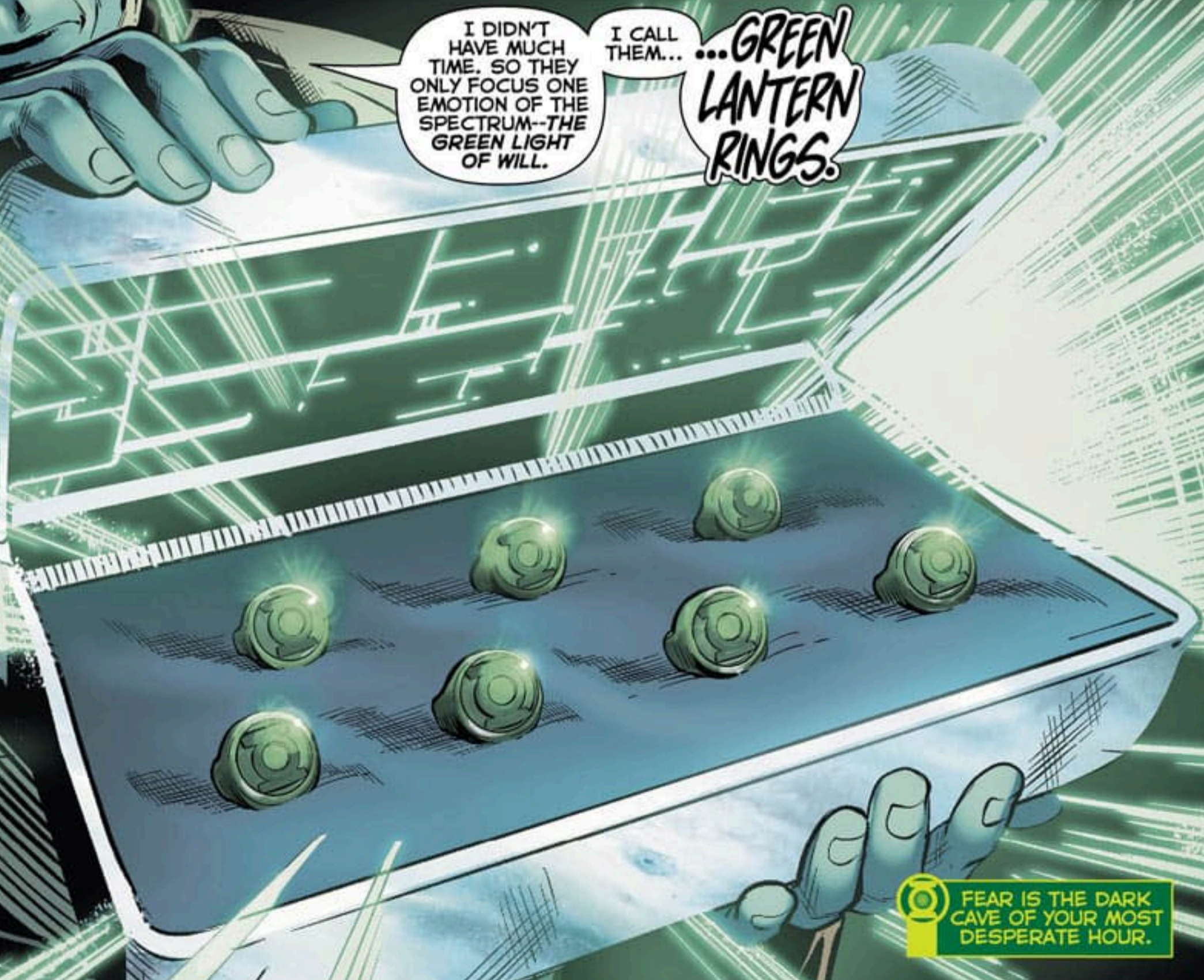
AND HOW CAN YOU KNOW WE WON'T BE CREATING MORE VOLTHOOMS?

BECAUSE THESE WEAPONS WILL USE THE GREAT HEART TO SCAN THE UNIVERSE FOR DEFENDERS WE CAN TRUST.

I DIDN'T HAVE MUCH TIME, SO THEY ONLY FOCUS ONE EMOTION OF THE SPECTRUM--THE GREEN LIGHT OF WILL.

I CALL THEM...

...GREEN LANTERN RINGS.



 FEAR IS THE DARK CAVE OF YOUR MOST DESPERATE HOUR.



RING
STATUS
REPORT.

POWER
RINGS ONE
THROUGH SEVEN
ONLINE.

SCAN
FOR SENTIENT
CANDIDATES
INITIATED.

COURAGE IS THE
LIGHT THAT LEADS
YOU OUT.

BUT THE
TRICKY
THING IS...

 ...THEY BOTH
COME FROM
WITHIN.

THAT'S MY
PARTNER,
SIMON BAZ.

TODAY.
COAST CITY,
CALIFORNIA.
MEMORIAL
PARK.

(NO, NOT THE OVERLY
STEROIDAL DEMON.)

AND THERE'S ME,
JESSICA CRUZ.

(NO, NOT THE MONSTER
WITH THE HOPELESSLY
DAMAGED HAIR.)

WE'RE GREEN
LANTERNS. WE
PROTECT THIS
PLANET.

BUT TODAY WE CAN'T
EVEN PROTECT EACH
OTHER FROM OUR
WORST NIGHTMARES...

...OURSELVES.

