

IF YOU RUN ON LIES
LONG ENOUGH THEY
BECOME YOUR TRUTH.

DWEEP-
DOP





SUCH DELICATE FABRIC WE
CONCEAL OUR MOTIVES IN.

COLORS TO OBSCURE
THE TRUTH OF OUR HEARTS.

NO ONE IS A BAD PERSON
IN HIS OR HER OWN MIND.

WE ARE ALL NOBLE
PROTAGONISTS.



MY ENTIRE LIFE
I'VE BEEN A
JACK-IN-THE-BOX.

HIDING.

COILED.

WAITING FOR HER TO
CRANK THE WHEEL.

THINK
WE'RE FAR
ENOUGH
DOWN?

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OKAY--
THAT'S AS DEEP
AS WE'RE GETTING
THIS HEAVY
PIECE OF



ENOUGH TO KEEP
YOU
HIDDEN.

A TOP
SPINNING.
NEVER
SLOWING
DOWN.

LEST I BE SEEN FOR
WHAT I REALLY AM...

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WAIT
HERE. STAY
QUIET.

DON'T
LEAVE THE JUMP
RADIUS.

DON'T
COME OUT FOR
ANYTHING.

WHAT
ARE YOU
SAYING?

YOU'RE ALL PROTECTED
WITH THE HELMETS—THE
MILLIPEDS WON'T BE ABLE
TO FIND YOU DOWN
HERE.

BUT THE
SHAMAN AND
I...

THEY ALREADY KNOW.

WE'RE A
LIABILITY.

NONE OF THEM
ROTTEN ENOUGH
TO SUGGEST
THE OBVIOUS.

THERE'S AN
ARMY COMING,
KADIR.

YOU'LL
DIE UP
THERE.



SO NOBLE.

IF I STAY
DOWN HERE
WE'LL ALL DIE.

SO FULL
OF



DON'T WORRY,
THOSE BUGS DON'T
HAVE A HIGH-TECH,
SUPER SHAMAN
BACKING
THEM UP.

I HAVE
THE SPIRIT OF
THE GREAT
RAVEN TO
SHARE.



THERE'S ONLY
FIFTEEN
MINUTES
LEFT—

W-WILL
YOU MAKE IT
BACK IN
TIME?



I DON'T
KNOW.

MAYBE
NOT.

AREN'T YOU
SUPPOSED TO
TELL ME
SOMETHING MORE...
REASSURING?

I'M
DONE LYING,
AND YOU'RE
TOO SMART TO
PATRONIZE,
NATE.



ALWAYS SAW YOU AS THE KIND OF GUY WHO'D CHEAT AT MONOPOLY WITH HIS KIDS...

I WAS WRONG ABOUT YOU, MAN.

NEON BILLBOARD FLASH: BIG HERO SAVING THEM...



...FROM THE SITUATION HE CAUSED.

CHANDRA...?

YES?

I JUST WANTED TO... TO SAY...

WHAT?



...NOTHING.

EGOTIST'S PLAY TOY FINDS NEW DISTRACTION.



YOU HAVE FAMILY BACK HOME, SHAMAN?

WIFE, NINE CHILDREN, SEVENTEEN GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

GOOD. WE'VE BOTH GOT PLENTY TO LIVE FOR.

PURE

BUT WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER.



IF THEY'RE ABOUT TO DIG THE PILLAR'S LOCATION OUT OF EITHER OF US--

I UNDERSTAND.

HE'LL DO WHAT NEEDS DOING.

SEEN WHAT HAPPENS WITH A PILLAR IN THE WRONG HANDS.

IF IT COMES TO THAT, DO ME A SOLID--

