

THE UNIVERSE
IS *NIGHT*.

MOST OF IT COLD, DARK
NOTHING, PUNCTUATED
BY OCCASIONAL BRIGHT
LANTERNS.

BUT THE UNIVERSE IS NOT
THE *BLACKEST* NIGHT.

I KNOW, FOR I AM
TEMPUS FUGINAUT.

IT IS MY DUTY TO WALK
THE DARK BACK ROADS OF THE
MULTIVERSE, SEEKING TEARS IN
THE FABRIC OF SPACE-TIME, AND
PRESERVING THE BOUNDARIES
BETWEEN DIMENSIONS.

ON THIS
PATH, I HAVE SEEN
DARKNESS.

AND I HAVE SEEN THE
FULFILLMENT OF THE
GREEN LANTERN CORPS'
GRIMMEST PROPHECY...



...WHEN THE DEATH-GOD, NEKRON, UNLEASHED THE POWER OF THE **BLACK LANTERN**, AND USHERED IN THE CREATION OF A NEW CORPS.



THE BLACK LANTERNS ATTACKED OTHER LANTERN BEARERS AND SPREAD **DEATH** ACROSS THE GALAXY...



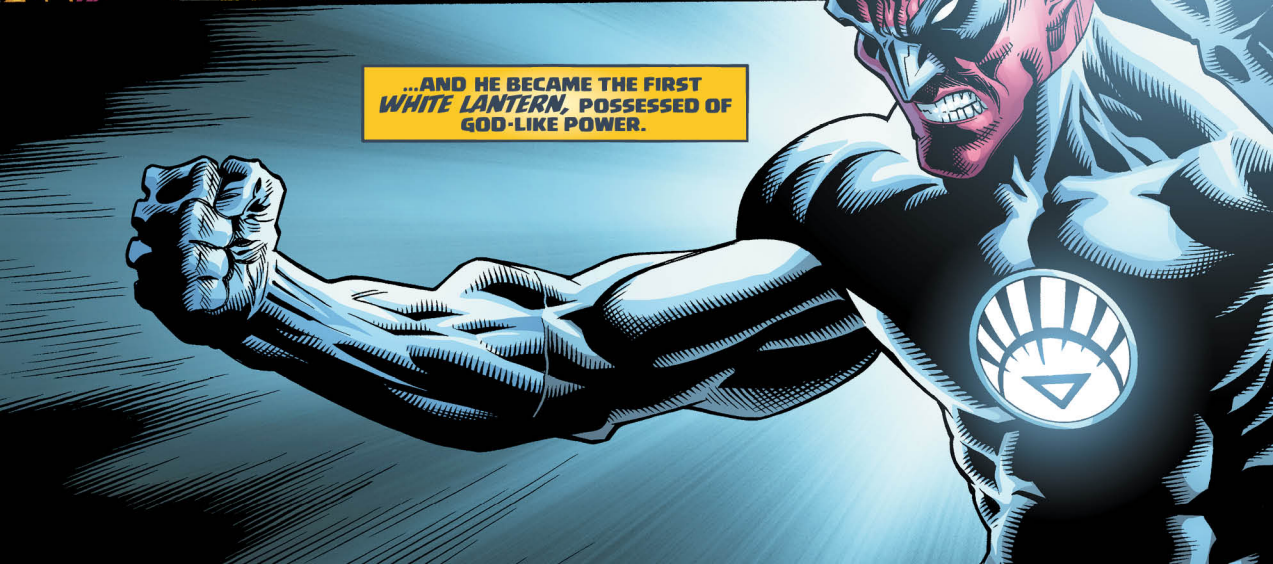
...UNTIL THEY WERE MET BY A UNITED FORCE OF LANTERNS--THE **COLOR CORPS**--LED BY A GREEN LANTERN...

...HAL JORDAN.



EVEN JORDAN'S MOST BITTER ENEMY, THE FORMER GREEN LANTERN **THAAL SINESTRO**, BATTLED AT HIS SIDE WITH HIS YELLOW RING OF FEAR.

AS THE FIGHT RAGED ON, SINESTRO CALLED UPON THE POWER OF **LIFE** ITSELF...



...AND HE BECAME THE FIRST **WHITE LANTERN**, POSSESSED OF GOD-LIKE POWER.



**BUT IN
THE UNIVERSE'S
MOMENT OF
NEED, SINESTRO
CHOSE TO *SHARE*
THE POWER.**



**AND WITH THAT CHOICE, A NEW *CORPS*
OF *WHITE LANTERNS* WAS BORN...**



**...AND THE BLACK
LANTERNS WERE
*DEFEATED.***



**BECAUSE OF
SINESTRO'S CHOICE,
HAL JORDAN SAVED THE
DAY ONCE AGAIN...**

**...IN *YOUR*
UNIVERSE.**

**BUT THIS
IS NOT *THAT*
STORY...**

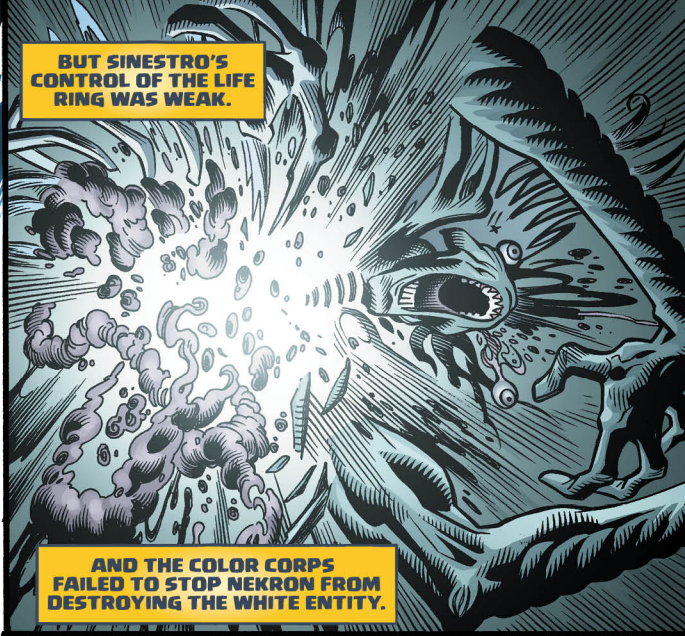


IN ANOTHER WORLD, SINESTRO, FACED WITH SHARING GODLIKE POWER WITH THE MAN HE BELIEVED HAD STOLEN HIS DESTINY...

...REFUSED.



BUT SINESTRO'S CONTROL OF THE LIFE RING WAS WEAK.



AND THE COLOR CORPS FAILED TO STOP NEKRON FROM DESTROYING THE WHITE ENTITY.

THE INVIGORATED UNDEAD BEINGS SWEEPED OVER THE HEROES, KILLING THEM...



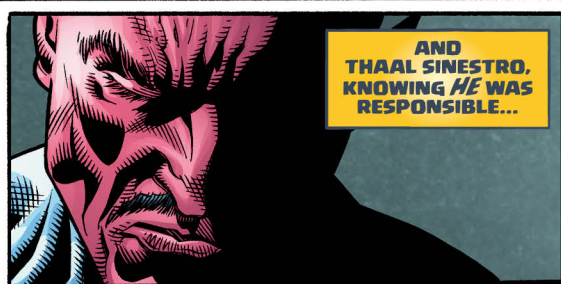
...AND RESURRECTING THEM AS BLACK LANTERNS, AN ARMY GROWING EXPONENTIALLY BY THE SECOND.

AND THUS,
IN THE WAR LIGHT
AND DARK...

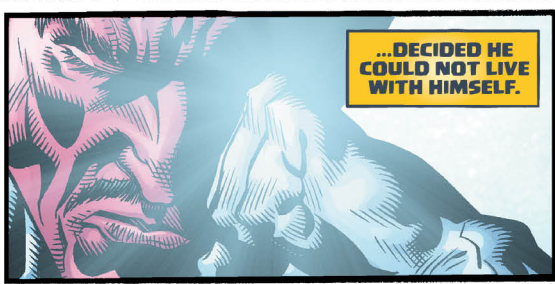


...OF LIFE
AND DEATH...

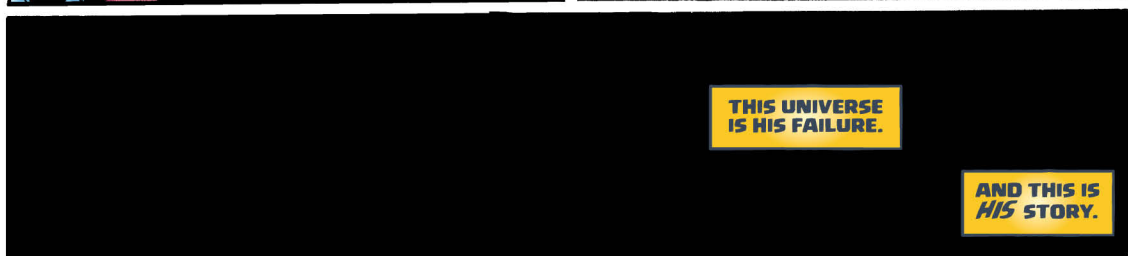
...LIFE
LOST.



AND
THAAL SINESTRO,
KNOWING *HE* WAS
RESPONSIBLE...



...DECIDED HE
COULD NOT LIVE
WITH HIMSELF.



THIS UNIVERSE
IS HIS FAILURE.

AND THIS IS
HIS STORY.