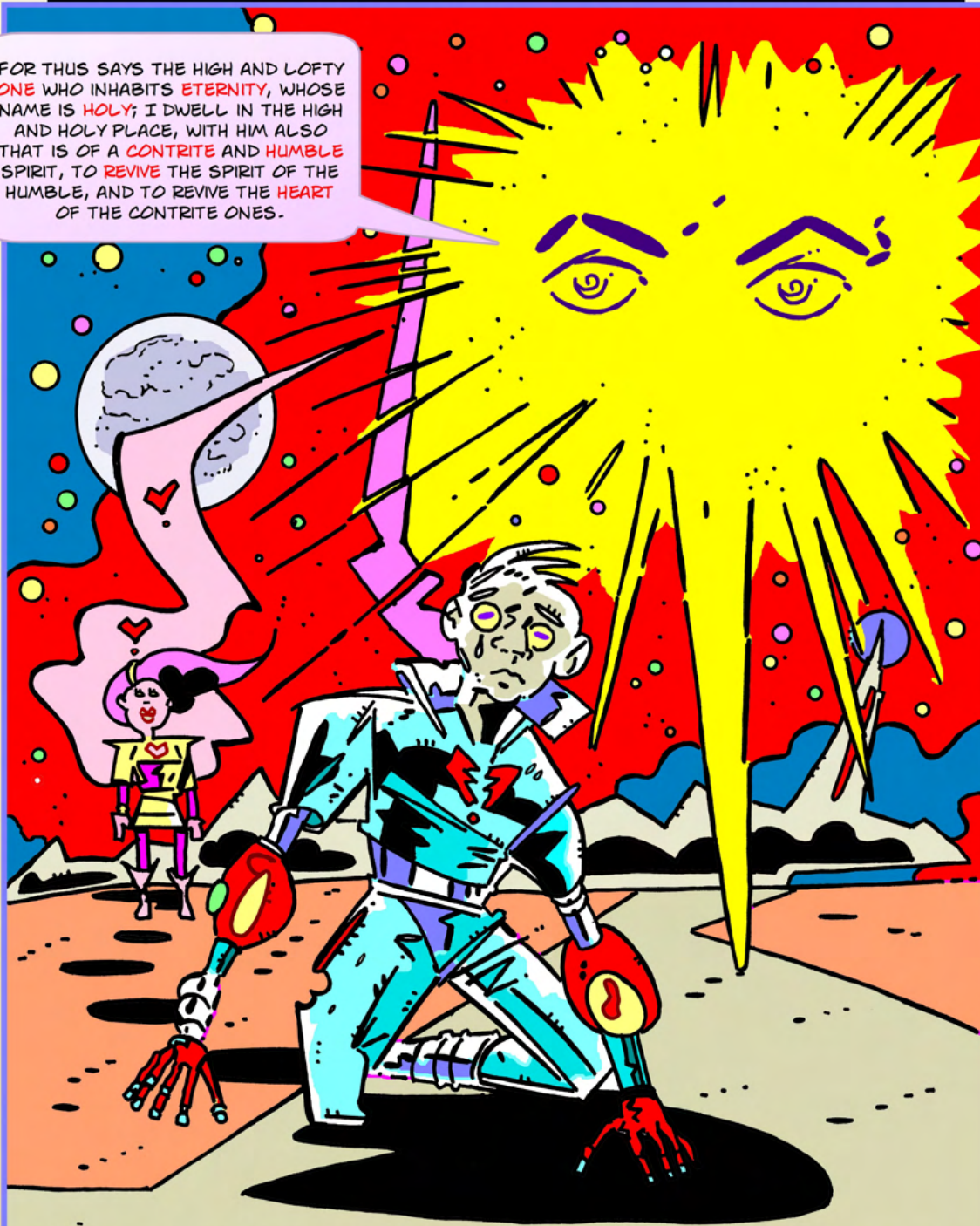




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FOR THUS SAYS THE HIGH AND LOFTY  
ONE WHO INHABITS ETERNITY, WHOSE  
NAME IS HOLY; I DWELL IN THE HIGH  
AND HOLY PLACE, WITH HIM ALSO  
THAT IS OF A CONTRITE AND HUMBLE  
SPIRIT, TO REVIVE THE SPIRIT OF THE  
HUMBLE, AND TO REVIVE THE HEART  
OF THE CONTRITE ONES.



# BROKEN SOUL

# REATTITUDES

SORROWFUL ARE THE MEEK, FOR  
THEY SHALL INHERIT A LIFETIME  
OF HEARTACHE.  
SORROWFUL ARE THE KIND, FOR  
THEY SHALL BE FORGOTTEN.  
SORROWFUL ARE THE GENTLE,  
FOR THEY SHALL BE TRAMPLED.



SORROWFUL ARE THE GOOD AND  
DECENT, FOR THEY SHALL BE IGNORED.  
SORROWFUL ARE THE WISE, FOR THEY  
LIVE IN A WORLD OF FOOLS.  
SORROWFUL ARE THE HONEST, FOR  
THEY SHALL BE DEFENSELESS.

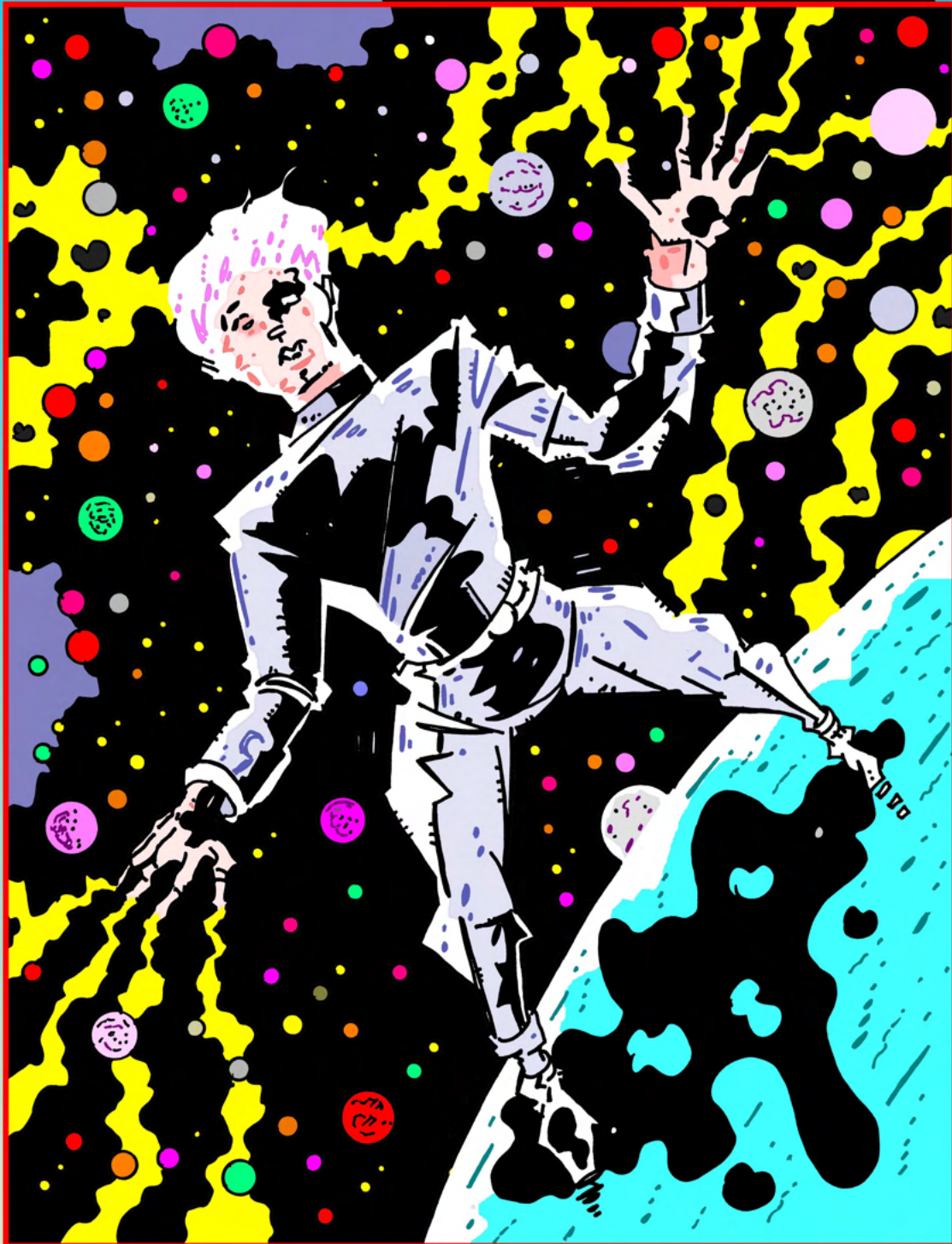
SORROWFUL ARE THE FAITHFUL, FOR THEY  
SHALL BE BETRAYED.  
SORROWFUL ARE THOSE WHO SEEK THEIR  
CREATOR, FOR THEY SHALL BE PARIAS.

**CHURCH OF THE BROKEN SOUL**


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# PROLOGUE

"In that night did God appear to Solomon,  
and said to him, 'Ask what I shall give you!'"



SHALL I ASK SOMETHING FOR THIS BRIEF LIFE WHICH LASTS BUT A MOMENT?  
WHAT A FOOLISH WASTE THAT WOULD BE OF SUCH A DIVINE INVITATION.  
OR SHALL I ASK SOMETHING WHICH I WOULD HAVE BOTH IN THIS LIFE  
AND TO ALL ETERNITY?  
I HUMBLY ASK THIS REQUEST OF YOU:  
GIVE, GRANT ME THIS THING—  
TO BE CLOSER TO YOU THAN ANY MAN HAS EVER BEEN.



IF A MAN CARRIES A CROSS FOR MANY YEARS  
DON'T CONDEMN HIM IF HE SHOULD FALL  
BENEATH THE BURDEN  
OR AT TIMES CRY OUT IN PAIN  
OR EVEN IN ANGER...  
LEST GOD SEE IT AND THIS CROSS BE PASSED  
TO YOUR OWN SMOOTH AND UNBURDENED  
SHOULDERS.

THROUGH DETERMINED AND PASSIONATE PRAYER ONE PERSON'S REALITY CAN BECOME MANY PEOPLE'S REALITY.



ALL WHO WILL FOLLOW JESUS AND BE LIKE HIM  
MUST SOONER OR LATER PASS THROUGH  
GETHSEMANE...AND THERE IS NO TELLING HOW  
LONG WE WILL LINGER THERE.

I LAY MY SOUL BEFORE  
YOU, BLESSED FATHER...  
AND ALL THE SUFFERING  
YOU HAVE ORDAINED FOR  
ME WHICH MY MIND  
CANNOT COMPREHEND.



I DON'T ASK FOR DELIVERANCE. I  
ONLY ASK FOR DIVINE SYMPATHY.  
NO ONE CAN UNDERSTAND...NO  
ONE CAN ENTER INTO THE DEPTHS  
OF MY SORROW...NO ONE CAN BE  
THERE WITH ME...  
BUT YOU, O LORD.

# THE FURNACE OF AFFLICTION

THERE ARE MANY  
"CHRISTIANS" WHO THINK  
THEMSELVES TO HAVE "GREAT  
FAITH" WHEN WHAT THEY'VE  
REALLY HAD IS AN EASY LIFE.



UNTIL YOU HAVE SUFFERED PROFOUNDLY  
AND THAT FOR MANY YEARS,  
YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO SPELL "FAITH".

"DREAM BIG DREAMS!"  
SAY OUR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS.

"AIM FOR THE STARS!"  
SAY OUR TRAVELLING  
"MOTIVATIONAL" SPEAKERS.

"YOU CAN BE WHATEVER  
YOU WANT TO BE!"  
SAYS VIRTUALLY EVERY CHILDREN'S  
TV SHOW AND MOVIE!

"GOD IS YOUR SELF-  
HELP COACH IN THE SKY  
EMPOWERING YOU TO  
ACHIEVE ALL YOUR  
GOALS AND AMBITIONS!"  
SAYS THE MEGA-POPULAR  
TV "PREACHER".

"DENY YOURSELF...TAKE UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME..."

"HE WHO SAVES HIS LIFE SHALL LOSE IT,  
BUT HE WHO LOSES HIS LIFE FOR MY SAKE SHALL FIND IT..."

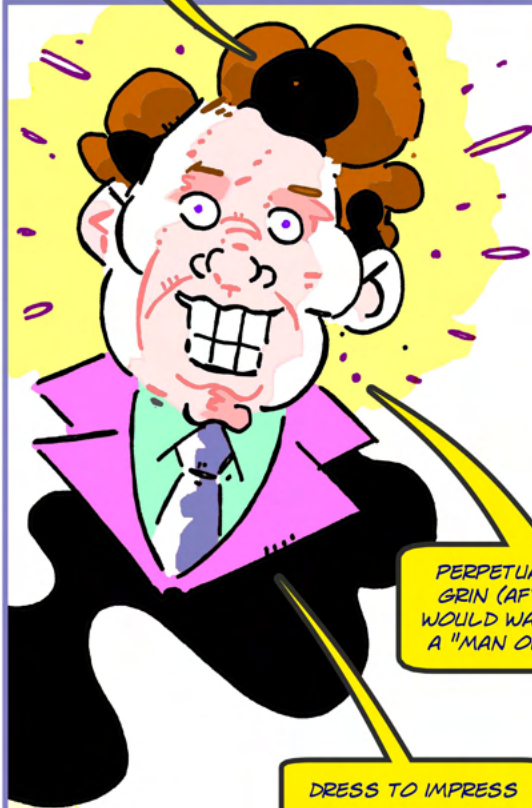
"WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT A MAN IF HE SHALL GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD,  
AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL?"  
SAYS JESUS THE SON OF GOD.



# FEEL YOU'RE "CALLED TO THE MINISTRY"?

...THEN DO US ALL A FAVOR:

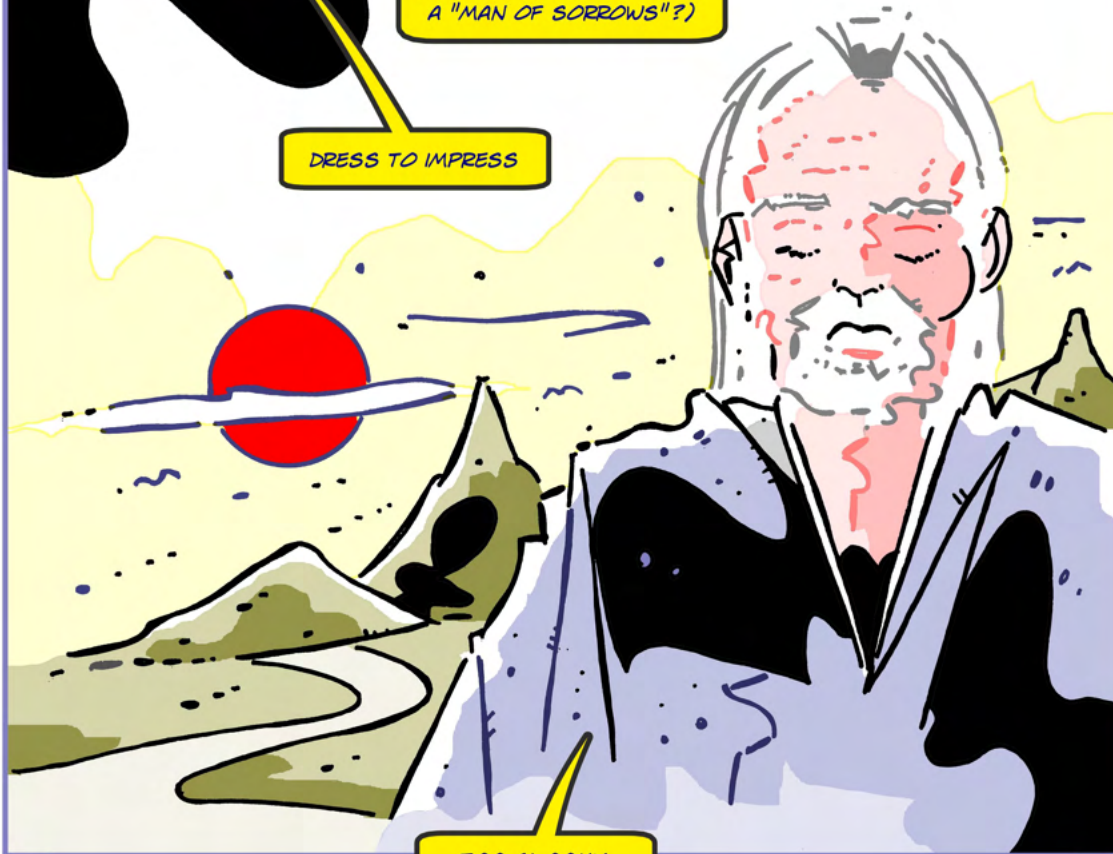
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PERPETUAL CHRISTIAN-GRIN (AFTER ALL, WHO WOULD WANT TO FOLLOW A "MAN OF SORROWS"?)

DRESS TO IMPRESS

- A. NIX GOING TO "BIBLE SCHOOL" (IE, RELIGIOUS COOKIE-CUTTER METHODOLOGY FACTORY).
- B. GRAB YOUR BIBLE, GO INTO THE WILDERNESS (ALONE WITH GOD), AND SUFFER FOR FORTY YEARS- THEN YOU MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO PEOPLE THAT'S ACTUALLY WORTH LISTENING TO...
- C. ...AND OH YEAH- GET A REAL JOB SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPONGE OFF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THEY CAN DEVOTE THEIR MEAGER RESOURCES TO THE TRULY DESTITUTE WHO REALLY NEED IT OR TO ACTUALLY SPREADING THE WORD OF GOD- AND THEN PREACH AND SERVE GOD BECAUSE YOU LOVE HIM (AND PEOPLE)- NOT BECAUSE YOU LOVE MONEY.



TOO GLOOMY (DOESN'T SELL!)

# AMERICA'S "RELIGIOUS LEADERS":

## THE ALMIGHTY GOD... OR THE ALMIGHTY DOLLAR?

IT'S SO HEART-BREAKING THAT AT A TIME WHEN OUR PEOPLE ARE IN SUCH DESPERATE NEED FOR CLEAR SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE THESE ARE THE COVETOUS SCOUNDRELS WHO REPRESENT THE CHRISTIAN FAITH TO OUR NATION.



NO ONE BEGRUDGES A "MINISTER" AN HONEST SALARY IF THEY WORK HARD AND AREN'T A LOAFER (AS MANY SADLY ARE), BUT OUR PROBLEM TODAY, AND IT'S A PERNICIOUS ONE- IS THE RAMPANT GREED AMONG PROFESSED "RELIGIOUS LEADERS" WHO ENRICH THEMSELVES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, BRINGING SHAME AND REPROACH UPON CHRISTIANITY. THAT IS WRONG...AND EVIL.

# IT TAKES INCREDIBLE STRENGTH TO CHOOSE GOOD...



## ...WHEN EVERYONE ELSE IS CHOOSING EVIL.

THE TRUTH IS- PEOPLE CHOOSE EVIL OUT OF WEAKNESS, NOT OUT OF STRENGTH.  
IT'S EASIER TO CHOOSE EVIL THAN TO CHOOSE GOOD.  
IF THE MAJORITY ARE EVIL, IT'S EASIER TO FIT IN WITH THE CROWD,  
AND TO MOVE IN THE SAME DIRECTION AS THE HERD,  
THAN TO BE DIFFERENT, TO STAND ALONE, TO CHOOSE GOD AND GOOD-  
THIS TAKES FAR GREATER STRENGTH.

# FUNNY THE THINGS CHRISTIANS WILL GET PASSIONATE ABOUT...

SUNDAY MORNING...

YAWN! WONDER WHAT TIME THE GAME STARTS TODAY?

...AND MILLIONS OF PEOPLE... PEOPLE YOU ENCOUNTER EVERY DAY... FRIENDS... NEIGHBORS... LOVED ONES... ARE ON THEIR WAY TO ETERNITY IN THE LAKE OF FIRE...

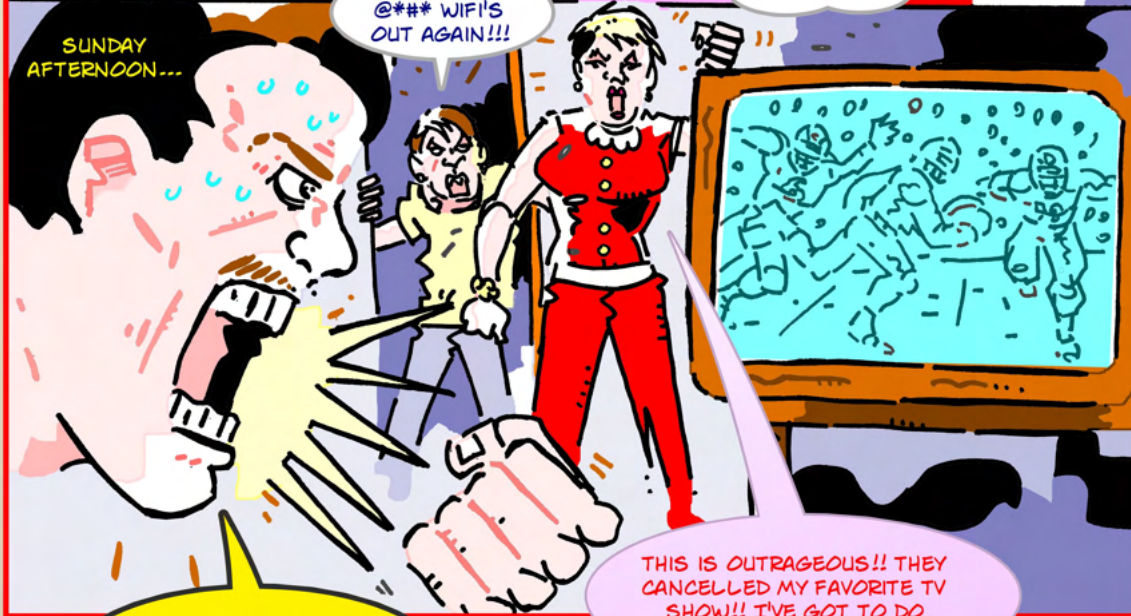
OKAY- WE'LL MEET YOU AT "SILVER STABLE" FOR LUNCH AFTER CHURCH...



CAN'T WAIT TILL WE GET HOME SO I CAN GO ON "BLOOB TUBE"...

DAD!! THE @### WIF'I'S OUT AGAIN!!!

SUNDAY AFTERNOON...



THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS!! THEY CANCELLED MY FAVORITE TV SHOW!! I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS!!

MY TEAM'S GOT TO WIN THE STUPOR BOWL OR I'LL BE DEPRESSED FOR A WEEK!!!

I **HATE** THESE @\*\*\*  
CHRISTIANS!! WHY CAN'T  
THEY BE **OPEN-MINDED**,  
**LOVING** AND **CARING**...

...**LIKE ME??**



# ENIGMA

WHY IS IT THAT THE MOST CLOSED-MINDED INDIVIDUALS I'VE  
EVER MET ARE THE ONES WHO PROFESS TO BE "OPEN-MINDED"?

WHY IS IT THAT THE FIRST PEOPLE TO TRY TO SILENCE THE  
RIGHTS OF OTHERS TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ARE THOSE  
WHO SAY THEY'RE AGAINST CENSORSHIP?

I GAVE **EVERYTHING** I HAD  
BECAUSE OF MY GREAT **LOVE** FOR  
YOU. WILL YOU NOT **LIVE** FOR ME?



SORRY- I'D RATHER WORSHIP AND  
FOLLOW SOME MINDLESS  
"CELEBRITY" WHO COULDN'T CARE  
LESS ABOUT ME! SEE YA!!!

**NEVER ARGUE WITH SATAN.**

C'MON- PROVE TO ME  
THERE'S A GOD!!



...FOR NO MATTER HOW CONVINCING YOUR ARGUMENT  
HE WILL NEVER AGREE WITH YOU  
FOR HIS MIND AND HEART ARE SET  
AGAINST GOD AND AGAINST GOD'S TRUTH  
AND SO MAY IT BE SAID OF HIS CHILDREN AS WELL.

# HE'S COMING TO YOUR CITY!!

PREYING OFF THE HURTS, HEARTACHES AND HOPELESSNESS OF  
DESPERATE PEOPLE HERE COMES...

## THE IRREVEREND ICHABOD MAGUS!



GOD USES **ME** AS HIS  
"INSTRUMENT" TO PERFORM  
**MIRACLES!** BUT, **YOU**  
MUST HAVE **FAITH**---

...AND YOU MUST  
**PROVE** YOUR  
FAITH TO GOD BY  
**GIVING** TO HIS  
WORK (I.E., MY  
"MINISTRY")---

THE BIGGER THE **MIRACLE** YOU  
SEEK- THE GREATER MUST BE  
THE **FINANCIAL SACRIFICE** YOU  
ARE WILLING TO MAKE AS  
**EVIDENCE** OF THAT FAITH!

WE'RE **BROKE** FROM ALL OUR  
MEDICAL BILLS BUT MY WIFE HAS  
**TERMINAL CANCER!** I'LL PUT MY  
GIFT OF \$10,000 ON MY **CREDIT-**  
**CARD**... THEN GOD WILL SEE MY  
FAITH AND **HEAL** MY PRECIOUS WIFE!

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"I UNDERSTAND THAT IF I (OR MY LOVED ONE) ARE NOT FULLY AND PERMANENTLY HEALED IT'S MY FAULT, NOT THAT OF ICHABOD MAGUS AND I WILL NOT HOLD ICHABOD MAGUS MINISTRIES CULPABLE FOR FALSE OR MISLEADING PROMISES OF DIVINE ASSISTANCE. I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH FAITH, THERE WAS DOUBT IN MY HEART, SIN IN MY LIFE (OR IN THE LIVES OF MY ANCESTORS), OR I DID NOT GIVE A SIZEABLE ENOUGH GIFT TO SHOW GOD I REALLY MEANT BUSINESS."



# FLASHBACK!

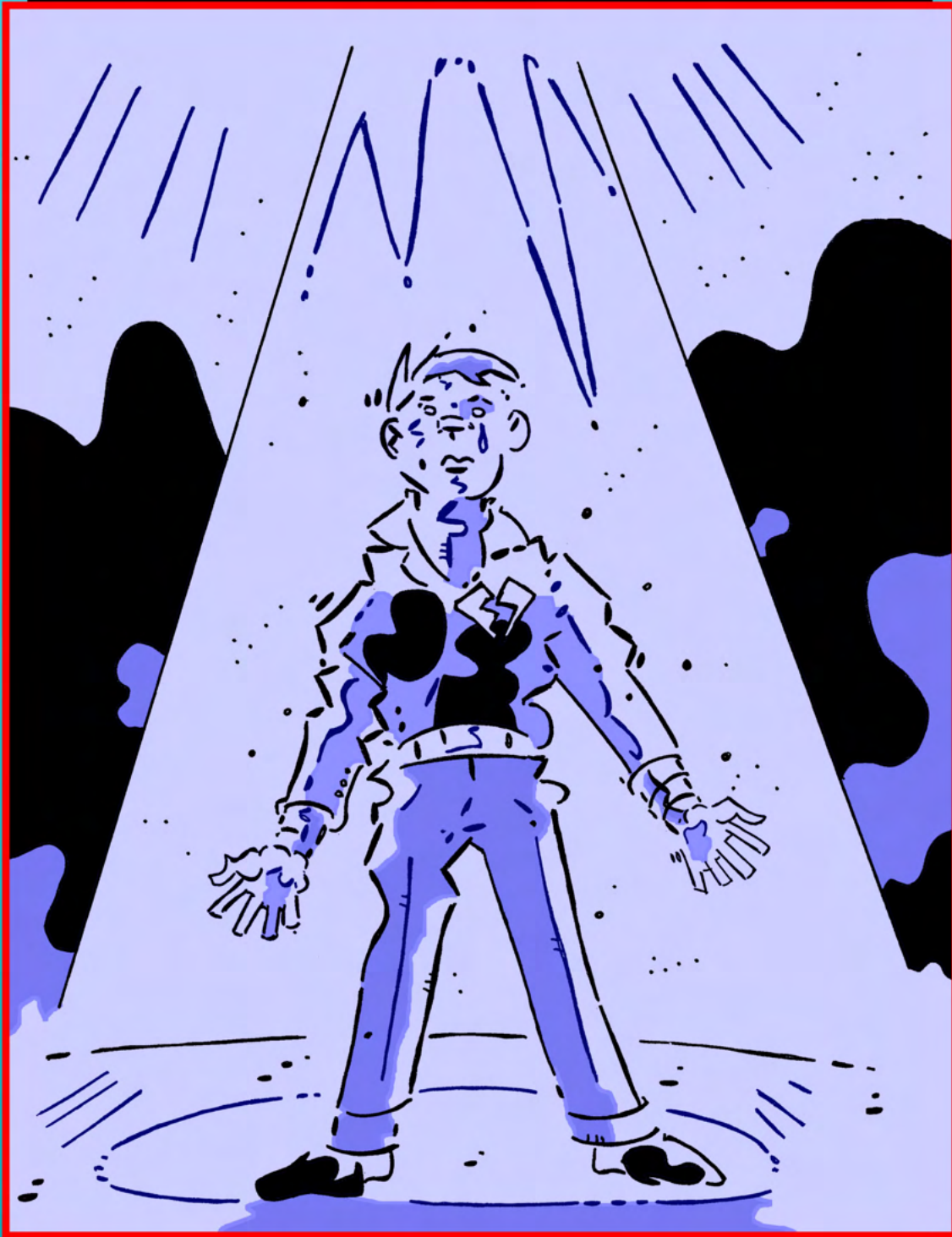
WHEN I WAS VERY YOUNG A FEW OLDER (AND MUCH BIGGER) BOYS AND I WERE SWIMMING IN OUR POOL IN THE BACKYARD. SUBSEQUENTLY THESE BOYS, WHO WERE SITTING ON PLASTIC FLOATS, THOUGHT IT WOULD BE "FUNNY" TO BEGIN RIDING OVER ME AND FORCING ME UNDERNEATH THE WATER. THIS HAPPENED SO SUDDENLY I DIDN'T EVEN HAVE TIME TO CATCH MY BREATH. I WAS STRUGGLING DESPERATELY TO GET MY HEAD BACK ABOVE THE SURFACE BUT AS ONE BOY'S FLOAT WOULD PASS OVER ME THE OTHER'S WOULD THEN ARRIVE KEEPING ME SUBMERGED...



...I BEGAN TO DROWN AND ALL THE WHILE I WAS FLAILING ABOUT I COULD HEAR THE LOUD LAUGHTER OF THOSE TWO BOYS, OBLIVIOUS TO THE SERIOUSNESS OF WHAT THEY WERE DOING TO ME. HAD NOT MY MOTHER SPIED WHAT WAS GOING ON FROM THE KITCHEN WINDOW AND COME QUICKLY TO MY RESCUE I VERY LIKELY WOULD'VE "EXPIRED".

LOOKING BACK OVER THE COURSE OF MY PILGRIMAGE HERE OTHER POWERFUL ADVERSARIES, SUCH AS SORROW, TROUBLE, DISAPPOINTMENT AND DEPRESSION, HAVE ALSO ATTEMPTED TO DROWN ME UNDER THEIR WEIGHT AS WELL BUT MY GOD AND FATHER HAS ALWAYS SOMEHOW GIVEN ME THE GRACE AND THE STRENGTH TO CONTINUE TO PRESS ON TOWARDS HIS HEAVENLY KINGDOM.

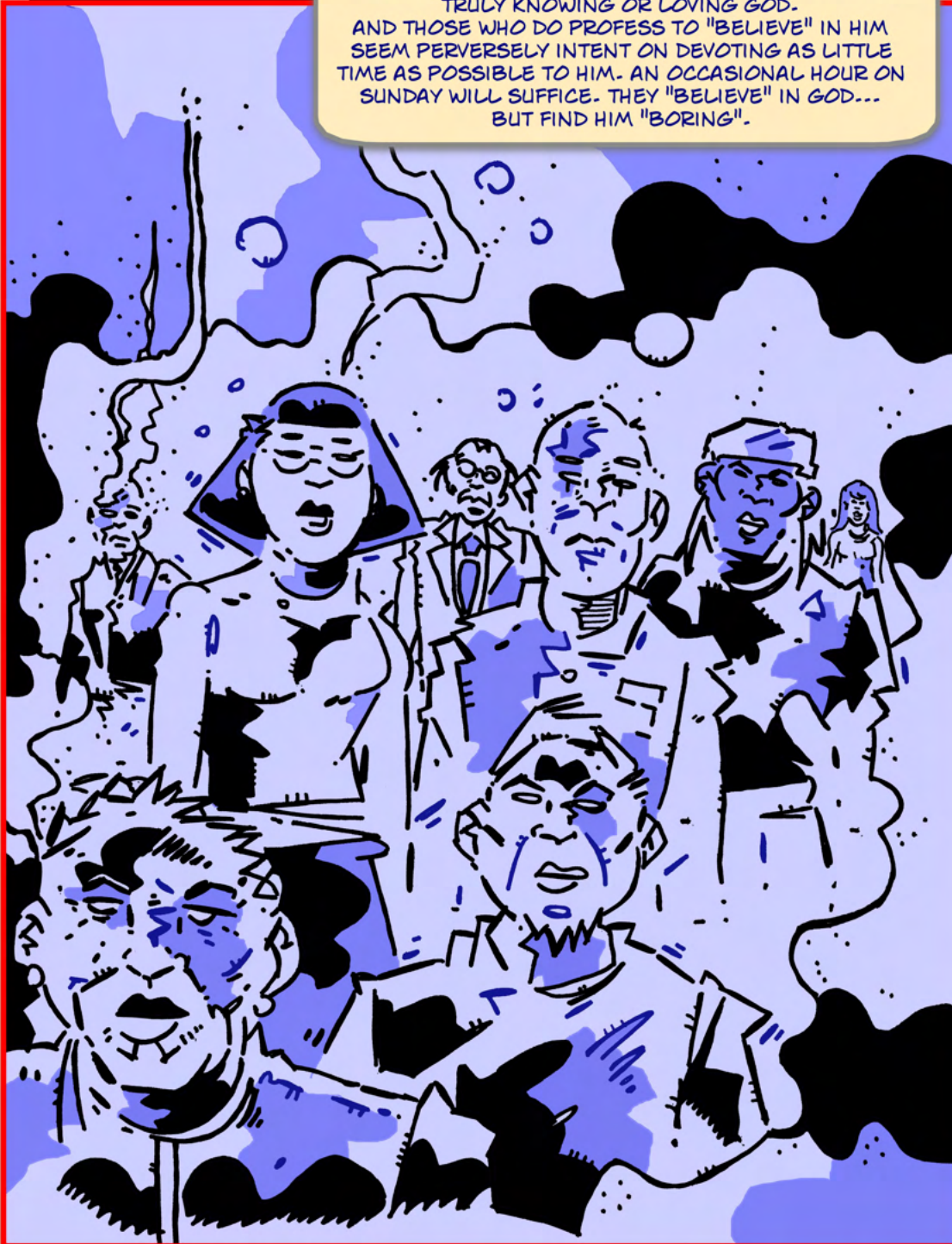
PRECIOUS HOLY SPIRIT,  
WHO ENABLES ME TO FACE EACH DAY IN THIS GODLESS, SATANIC WORLD-  
GIVE HEALING IN MY MIND, SO WOUNDED AND TORMENTED  
BY THE EVIL THINGS I SEE AND HEAR AROUND ME,  
BUT DO NOT REMOVE THE PAIN...



...FOR IT IS YOUR PAIN...  
THE PAIN YOU FEEL, THE GRIEF IN YOUR HEART  
WHICH HAS BECOME MINE AS YOU LIVE WITHIN ME.  
NO, TAKE IT NOT FROM ME...  
LEST I TOO DWELL IN THE ABOMINABLE DARKNESS.

# THE FORGOTTEN ONE

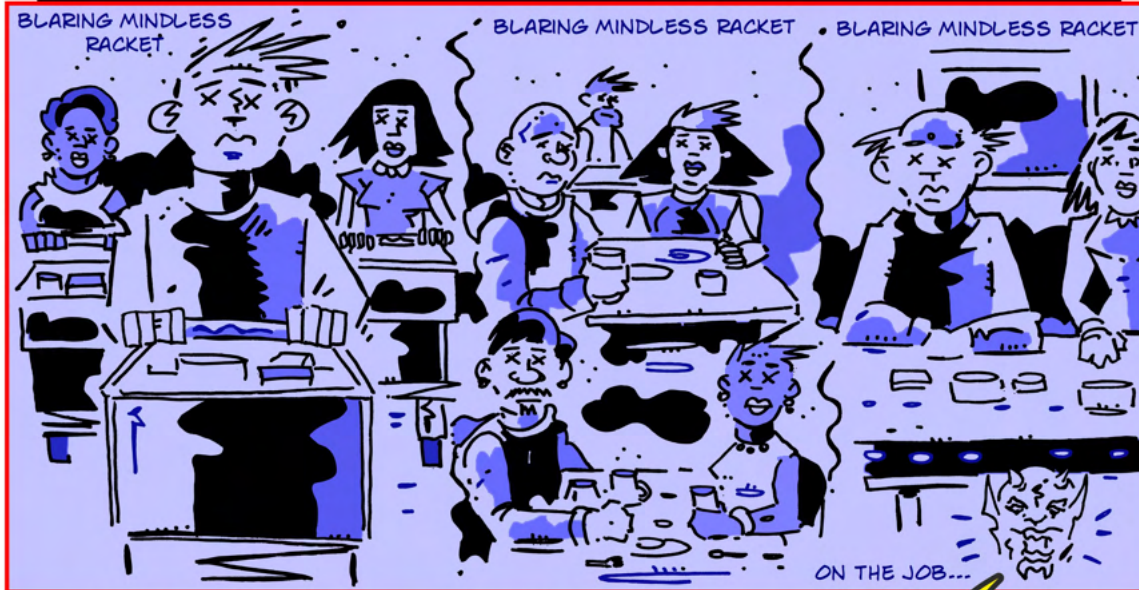
IT SEEMS I ENCOUNTER ALMOST NO ONE WHO HAS ANY GENUINE PASSION TOWARDS GOD. I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT BUT IT'S TRUE. THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE APPEAR TO HAVE ALMOST NO INTEREST IN TRULY KNOWING OR LOVING GOD. AND THOSE WHO DO PROFESS TO "BELIEVE" IN HIM SEEM PERVERSELY INTENT ON DEVOTING AS LITTLE TIME AS POSSIBLE TO HIM. AN OCCASIONAL HOUR ON SUNDAY WILL SUFFICE. THEY "BELIEVE" IN GOD... BUT FIND HIM "BORING".



WE ARE OBSESSED WITH SUCH TRIVIAL, MEANINGLESS, EMPTY THINGS WHILE WE IGNORE THE ULTIMATE REALITY- THE ONE WHO MADE US.

## "Be still and know that I am GOD"

WHY IS IT THAT PEOPLE TODAY DON'T KNOW GOD? IT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE NEVER STILL, NEVER QUIET. THEY'RE CONSTANTLY FILLING THEIR MINDS, THEIR EYES, THEIR EARS WITH NOISE, NOISE, NOISE. ENDLESS DISTRACTIONS, GODLESS "ENTERTAINMENT" AND THE EVER-PRESENT, CEASELESS, KNOW-IT-ALL (BUT ACTUALLY KNOW-NOTHING) VOICES OF THE WORLD.

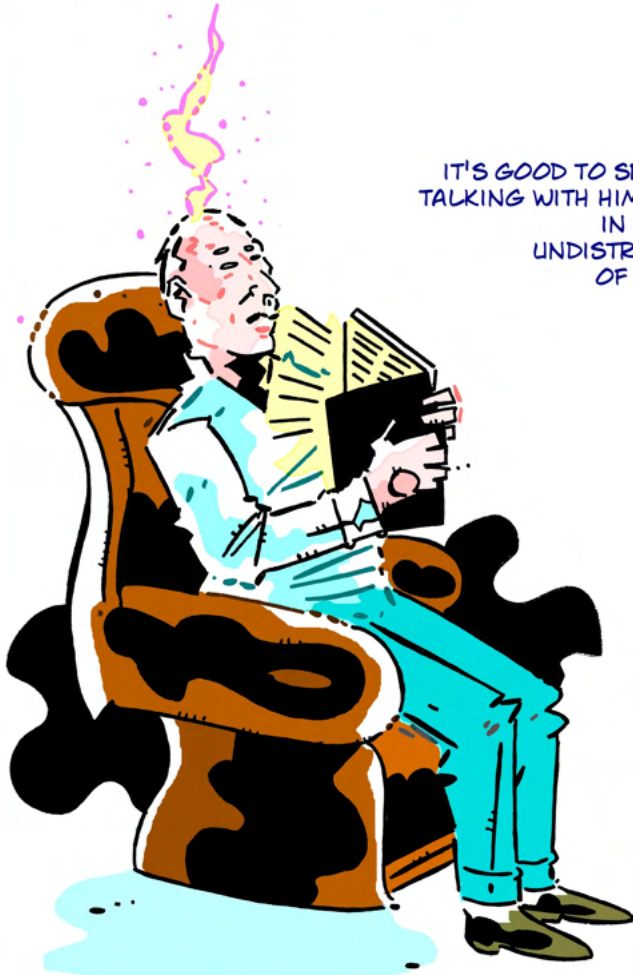


AT THE GROCERY STORE...

IN A RESTAURANT...

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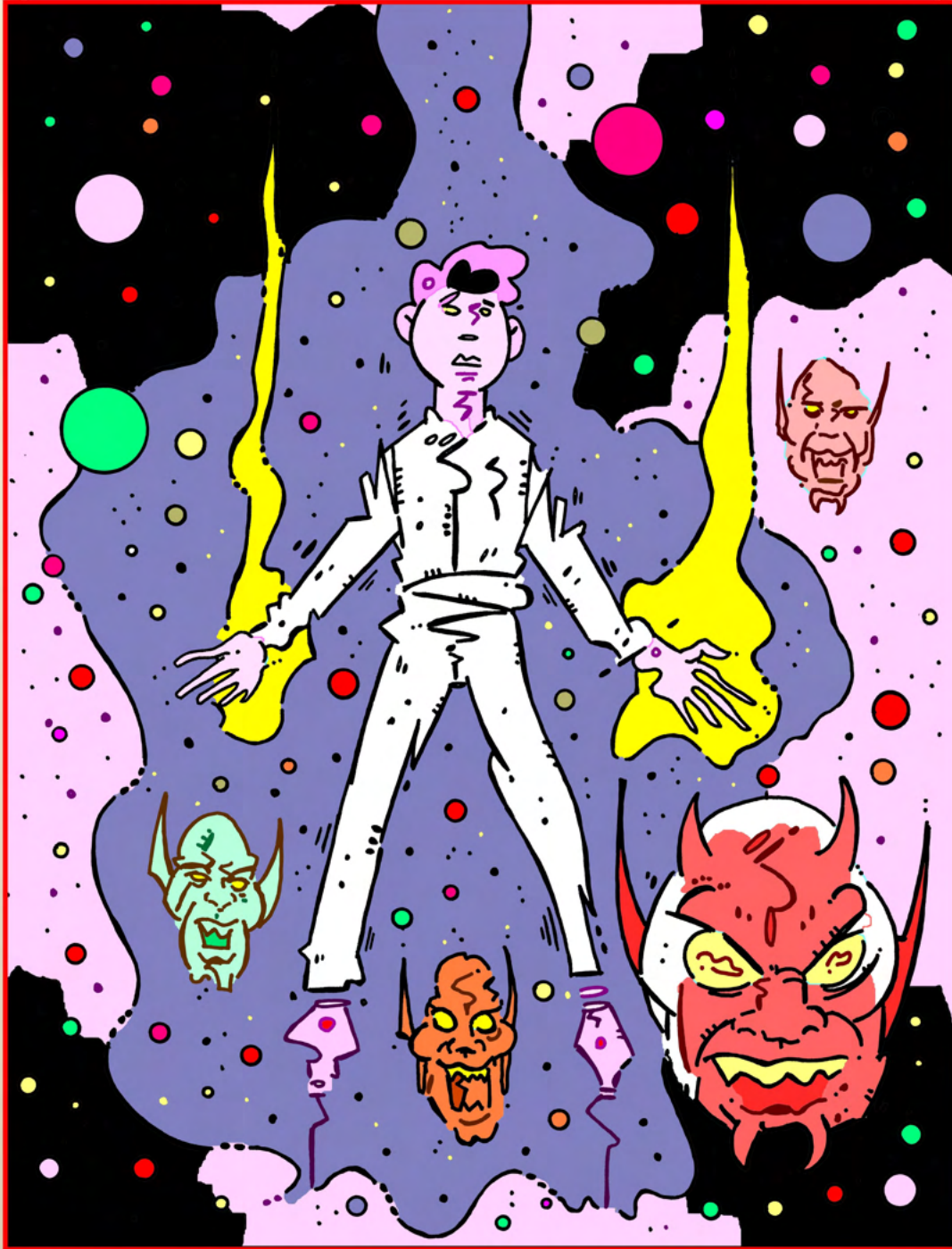
IT'S GOOD TO SPEND MUCH TIME ALONE WITH GOD. TALKING WITH HIM...MEDITATING ON HIS HOLY WORDS. IN THE QUIET STILLNESS, UNDISTRACTED BY THE EMPTY NOISE OF THIS LUNATIC PLANET.



WE BECOME LIKE THE THINGS WE FEED UPON. WE BECOME MORE LIKE GOD AND HIS BELOVED SON JESUS... OR, IF WE FOCUS ON THE VAIN THINGS OF MAN- MORE LIKE SATAN AND HIS LOST CHILDREN. WE WILL SEE THINGS GOD'S WAY... OR SATAN'S WAY.

# epilogue

THIS WORLD WHICH IS TO SO MANY A PARADISE IS TO ME A TORTURE CHAMBER.  
NOT JUST ONCE IN AWHILE BUT EVERY SINGLE DAY.  
THIS IS NOT THE WORLD I LOVE.  
THE WORLD I LOVE AND LONG FOR IS THE WORLD OF GOD,  
THE HOLY ANGELS AND ALL THOSE WHO LOVE GOD AS I DO.



THERE I WILL BE FREE FROM THE HORROR OF EVIL, WITHIN ME AND ALL AROUND ME.  
FREE FROM A WORLD RULED BY SATAN AND HIS SERVANTS WHERE EVIL IS GLAMORIZED  
AND GLORIFIED...WHERE GOD IS MOCKED, BLASPHEMED, IGNORED AND FORGOTTEN.  
WHEN GOD DECIDES THAT IT IS TIME FOR ME TO DEPART THERE WILL BE A FEW WHO  
WILL BE SADDENED BUT LET THEM REJOICE AS WELL. FOR IT WILL MEAN THAT I HAVE  
BEEN FINALLY GRANTED TO LEAVE THIS TORTURE CHAMBER AND TO ENTER INTO THE  
JOY OF THE LORD.