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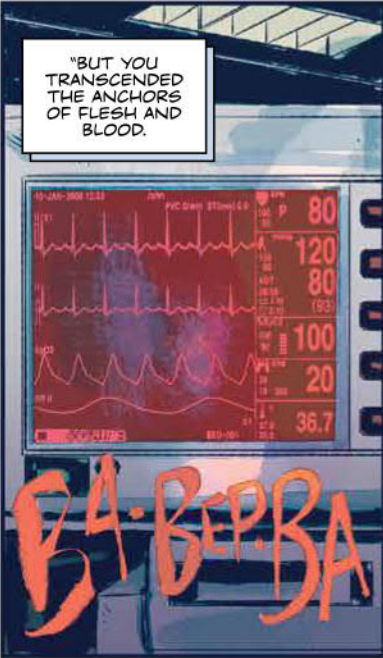
BOOM!
STUDIOS



"EVER SINCE THEY
FOUND YOU, THEY'VE
KEPT YOU HIDDEN.



"OR SO THEY
THOUGHT.



"BUT YOU
TRANSCENDED
THE ANCHORS
OF FLESH AND
BLOOD.



"I DOUBT SUCH
PHYSICAL
TRIVIALITIES
EVER HAD A
HOLD ON YOU.



"BUT THEY
NEVER PIECED
THAT TOGETHER,
DID THEY?"





IT TOOK ME A WHILE TO FIGURE IT ALL OUT.



I SPENT MONTHS PLANNING ELABORATE ABDUCTION SCENARIOS.

I GATHERED FOLLOWERS.

I RECRUITED AGENTS WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT.

I STOCKPILED WEAPONS.



I INTENDED TO GO TO WAR.



WHAT ELSE COULD I DO?

GOD WAS BEING HELD PRISONER BY INFIDELS.

MY FAITH REQUIRED ACTION.



IT TOOK ME A WHILE TO FULLY UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU WERE TRYING TO TELL US.

IT'S NOT MY FAULT, REALLY.

LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, I'VE BEEN CONDITIONED TO BELIEVE ONLY IN WHAT I CAN SEE AND HEAR AND TOUCH.



FLESH IS MERELY PART OF THE EQUATION.

I DIDN'T NEED TO SEEK YOU OUT.

YOU WERE ALWAYS RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF ME.



I
BROUGHT
THEM TO
ME.



I
GATHERED
THOSE WHO
COULD SEE
YOU.

I BROUGHT
THEM TOGETHER
SO THEY COULD
RE-MAKE YOU.





"...SO YOU COULD SEE
THE WORLD WE HAVE
MADE TOGETHER."

"...THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT HAS
DECLARED A STATE
OF EMERGENCY..."



"...WITH
DANGEROUS RIOTS
SPILLING OUT INTO
THE STREETS..."

"...FUELED, IT
WOULD APPEAR, BY
THE REVELATION
THAT THE EMPTY
MAN VIRUS HAS
MUTATED..."



"...AND
THAT PHYSICAL
MANIFESTATIONS
OF THE DISEASE
ARE APPEARING."



"MANY
BELIEVE THAT
THE GOVERNMENT
HAS BEEN HIDING
THE TRUTH..."

"...THAT THE
EXISTENCE OF
THESE ALIEN BEINGS
HAS BEEN HIDDEN
FROM THE PUBLIC
EYE UNTIL NOW..."



"...AND THIS HAS
SPARKED A CHAIN
REACTION OF VIOLENCE
IN NUMEROUS
METROPOLITAN AREAS
AROUND THE
COUNTRY."