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After the Earth was used up, we found a new solar system and hundreds of new Earths were terra-formed and colonized. The central planets formed the Alliance and decided all the planets had to join under their rule. There was some disagreement on that point. After the War, many of the Independents who had fought and lost drifted to the edges of the system, far from Alliance control. Out here, people struggled to get by with the most basic technologies; a ship would bring you work, a gun would help you keep it. A captain's goal was simple: find a crew, find a job, keep flying.

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AND SO I SAY TO YOU ON THIS FINE DAY, CITIZENS OF CONSTANCE, THAT YOUR LIVES ARE NOT DEFINED BY THAT WHICH YOU ENTER THIS WORLD, BUT RATHER WITH WHAT YOU LEAVE BEHIND ON IT



OUR LIVES, FROM THE MOMENT WE ARE BORN TO WHEN WE DRAW OUR LAST BREATH, ARE NOTHING MORE THAN A SERIES OF COMINGS AND GOINGS.



IF WE LIVE OUR LIVES AS WE SHOULD, WE GIVE OF OURSELVES WITH EACH ENTRANCE AND EXIT. IF WE DON'T...



"...WE TAKE."

WELL, NOW...



THIS IS A SITUATION.



REALLY? AND HERE I WAS THINKING IT WAS 一大坨大便.

SIR, IT DISTURBS ME THAT I'M INCLINED TO AGREE WITH JAYNE.



THAT MAKES TWO OF US.

WHERE WERE WE?



YOU WERE ABOUT TO SURRENDER THE COIN TO ME...



...OR I WAS ABOUT TO SHOOT YOU IN THE FACE.

YOUR CHOICE.






DON'T SUPPOSE
IT MATTERS TO YOU,
OUR BEING HERE
FIRST?

YEAH,
I USED TO
THINK SO.

YOU SUPPOSE
RIGHT, THOUGH I
DO APPRECIATE THE
PREACHER YOU
BROUGHT ALONG AS
A DIVERSION. THAT
WAS ALMOST
INTELLIGENT.



CAN WE MOVE
THIS ALONG, OTT?
I COULD SPRAY
THEM ALL DOWN
IN A MICRO AND
WE'LL BE OFF
THIS MISERABLE
ROCK.



YES, YOU
COULD.
IT'S YOUR
CALL,
MALCOLM.



C'MON,
MAL...

WE CAN DO
THIS -- STARTING
WITH THE
FREAKY ONE.

THERE'S
TOO MUCH
COIN AT STAKE
NOT TO...

ZOE?

I'LL BACK
YOU EITHER
WAY, SIR.



YOUR
DECISION,
MAL...







GUT THEM.

ALL OF THEM!!!

浑蛋!



DON'T WORRY, MAL. I'LL FIX THIS 妖女.

JAYNE, NO!

WE'RE IN A VAULT. THE CONCUSSION ALONE'LL KILL US--



AAARRGGGHHH!

BOOM.









“GONNA TAKE
A WHILE FOR THE
STINK OF THIS TO
PASS.”



“JUST A SEWER,
JAYNE.”

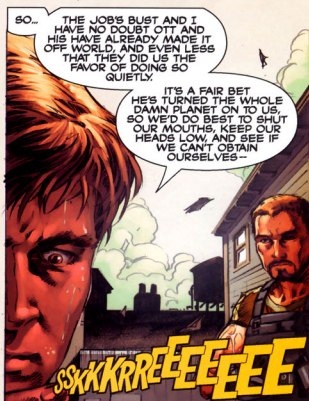
“WERENT
TALKING ABOUT
THE SEWER.”



“NOW AINT
THE TIME,
JAYNE.”

“UNDERSTOOD?”

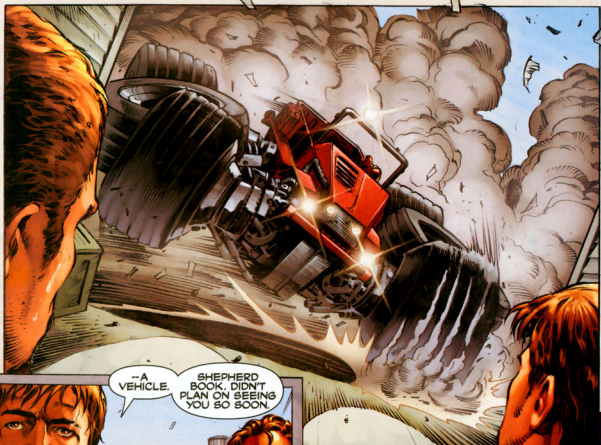
“WELL, YOU
JUST BE
SURE AND SAY
WHEN.”



“SO... THE JOB'S BUST AND I
HAVE NO DOUBT OTT AND
HIS HAVE ALREADY MADE IT
OFF WORLD, AND EVEN LESS
THAT THEY DID US THE
FAVOR OF DOING SO
QUIETLY.”

“IT'S A FAIR BET
HE'S TURNED THE WHOLE
DAMN PLANET ON TO US,
SO WE'D DO BEST TO SHUT
OUR MOUTHS, KEEP OUR
HEADS LOW, AND SEE IF
WE CAN'T OBTAIN
OURSELVES—”

SSKKRRREEEEEEEE



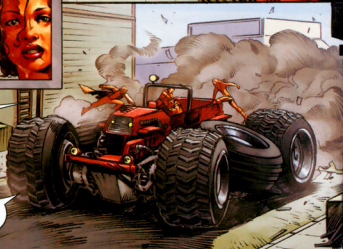
-A VEHICLE. SHEPHERD BOOK, DIDN'T PLAN ON SEEING YOU SO SOON.



I IMAGINE THAT'S RIGHT.

SHINY RIDE, CAN WE KEEP IT?

NO, WE CERTAINLY CANNOT.



SO... HOW GOES THE FLOCK?

AT THE MOMENT? TO THEIR HOMES.

TO FETCH THEIR GUNS.





WASH.



WASH,
YOU HEARING
ME?



MOTHER!

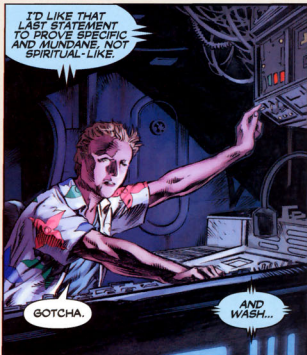
WASH.



WASH, I AM
DECIDEDLY
NOT YOUR
MOTHER.

RIGHT, BUT
I ASSUME YOU
DIDNT CALL JUST
TO TELL ME
THAT...

CHANGE OF
PLANS. LOOKS LIKE
WE'LL BE LEAVING
THIS WORLD A BIT
SOONER THAN
ANTICIPATED.



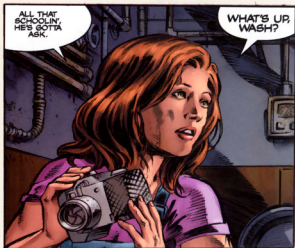
I'D LIKE THAT
LAST STATEMENT
TO PROVE SPECIFIC
AND MUNDANE, NOT
SPIRITUAL-LIKE.

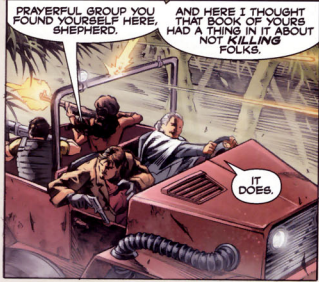
GOTCHA.

AND
WASH...



HURRY.





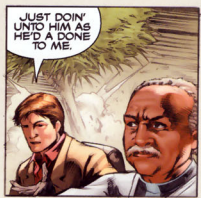
PRAYERFUL GROUP YOU FOUND YOURSELF HERE, SHEPHERD.

AND HERE I THOUGHT THAT BOOK OF YOURS HAD A THING IN IT ABOUT NOT KILLING FOLKS.

IT DOES.



COMES A BIT BEFORE THE ONE ABOUT NOT STEALING.



JUST DOIN' UNTO HIM AS HE'D A DONE TO ME.



STOP CHASIN' US! WE DON'T GOT YOUR DAMN MONEY!

GO CHASE THE PEOPLE WITH THE MONEY!!!



JAYNE, YOU YELLING LIKE THAT'S ONLY GONNA MAKE THEM WANT TO SHOOT YOU MORE.

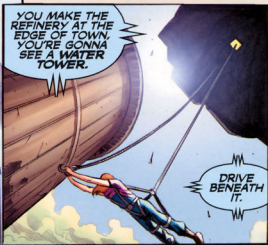
HOW YOU FIGURE?

BECAUSE IT MAKES ME WANT TO SHOOT YOU.

WASH, HOW'S PLAN B COMING?



WE'RE A WHISPER AWAY FROM YOU, MAL.



YOU MAKE THE REFINERY AT THE EDGE OF TOWN, YOU'RE GONNA SEE A WATER TOWER.

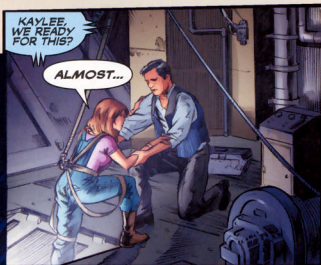
DRIVE BENEATH IT.



QUICKLY.

YOU WANT I SHOULD TAKE THE WHEEL FOR THIS, SHEPHERD?

I'D PREFER TO SURVIVE.



KAYLEE, WE READY FOR THIS?

ALMOST...



HOLD ON TIGHT.

WASH, WE'RE GOOD.



WELL, HERE GOES... 看我们怎么死吧!

gonna be close...

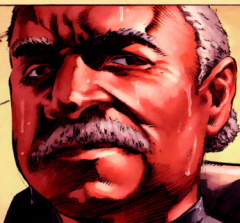


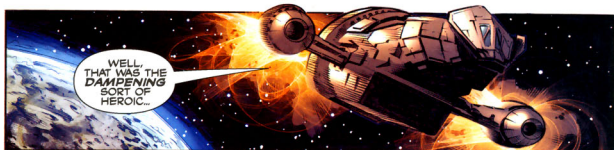
GORRAM IT, I'M WET LIKE A DIAPER.

EVERYONE OFF AND ABOARD, I'VE SEEN ENOUGH OF THIS WORLD.



YOU COMING, SHEPHERD...?





WELL, THAT WAS THE DAMPENING SORT OF HEROIC...



YEAH. MAN COULD CATCH HIS DEATH FROM THIS...

THAT'S NOT HOW I MEANT IT.



DON'T BE SUCH A GROUCH, JAYNE.

IT'S A HARD VERSE OUT THERE, AIN'T EASY GETTIN' PAID...



WE DID GET PAID, RIGHT...?

IS NOW WHEN, MAL?





RIVER? WHAT IN THE HELL ARE YOU--

BALL OF YARN...

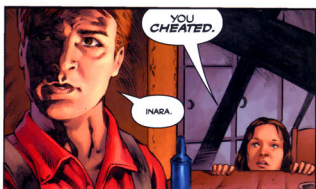
ALL KNOTTED AND TANGLED WITH DIFFERENT WEIGHTS AND COLORS.

THERE YOU ARE...

BUT PULL ONE STRING, YOU PULL THEM ALL...



I'VE BEEN LOOKING ALL OVER THE SHIP FOR HER.



YOU CHEATED.

INARA.



SIMON ASKED THAT I LOOK AFTER HER, AND RIVER WAS BEING SO KIND AS TO HELP ME PACK--

IF IT'S ALL THE SAME TO YOU, INARA, NOW'S NOT THE TIME TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION.

AGAIN.

MAL, I'M ONLY TRYING TO SET A SCHEDULE FOR MY DEPARTURE, AND WHILE I CAN, AND HAVE, APPRECIATED THAT YOU HAVE A BUSINESS TO RUN...

I MUST ASK YOU TO REMEMBER THAT I DO AS WELL.

LOOK, INARA, I'M GETTING YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO GO AS FAST AS I CAN. NOW, MAYBE IT'S NOT AS FAST AS YOU'D LIKE, BUT IT'S NOT EXACTLY NEXT DOOR AND I'VE GOT TO TAKE WHAT I CAN ALONG THE WAY. TO BE CLEAR...

...I WILL GET YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO BE, AND UNDERSTAND THAT'S NOT HERE.

MAL...

LET THE BALL OF YARN GO.



WHITEFALL.



DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BUT TURN YOURSELVES AROUND AND GO BACK TO WHEREVER IT IS YOU CAME FROM.

THE MAN DON'T SEE NO ONE UNINVITED, WHICH IS WHAT YOU ARE.

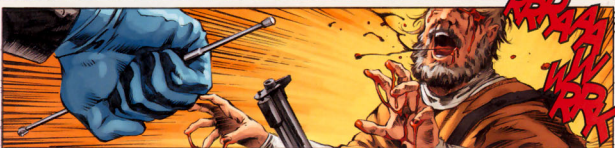
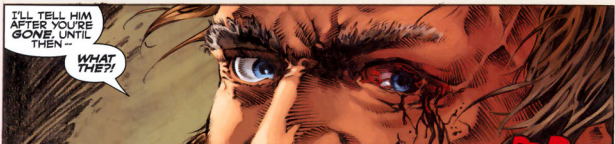


TELL YOUR MAN WE'RE LOOKING FOR MALCOLM REYNOLDS, JUST LIKE HIM.



I'LL TELL HIM AFTER YOU'RE GONE, UNTIL THEN --

WHAT THE?!





LOOKS LIKE WE'LL HAVE TO TELL HIM OURSELVES.