

THE RUTHLESS

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WITH STACIA WALTON SEEMINGLY LOST IN SPACE, IT IS UP TO ARIEL, THE 'BOOB OF THE GODDESS' TO INCREASE STACIA'S INFLUENCE AND FURTHER HER ABENDA ON EARTH.

WILL AMELIA PASS ARIEL'S TEST AND BECOME ONE OF STACIA'S FABLED PRIESTESSES?

AMELIA, A PROMISING MARKETING PRODIGY, HAS CAUGHT ARIEL'S EYE.



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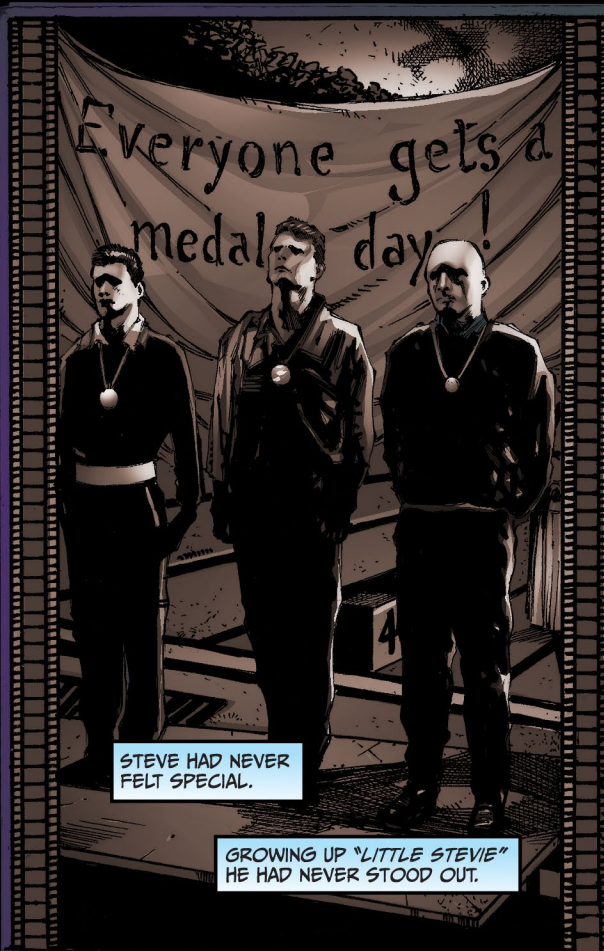
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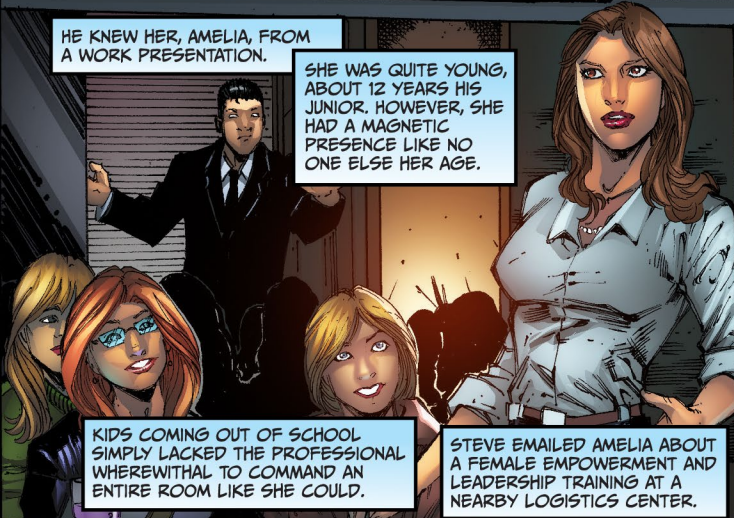


STEVE HAD NEVER FELT SPECIAL.

GROWING UP "LITTLE STEVIE" HE HAD NEVER STOOD OUT.



HE HAD GIRLFRIENDS, BUT NO ONE WITH WHOM HE REALLY SHARED A STRONG BOND WITH. THEY WERE EITHER TOO MUCH WORK, PETTY, OR SHALLOW, HE WAS EITHER UNAMBITIOUS, BORING, OR A STEPPING STONE TO THE REAL DEAL.

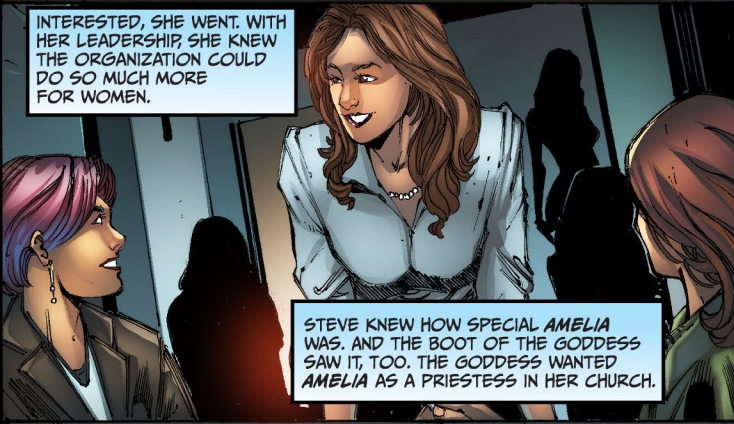


HE KNEW HER, AMELIA, FROM A WORK PRESENTATION.

SHE WAS QUITE YOUNG, ABOUT 12 YEARS HIS JUNIOR. HOWEVER, SHE HAD A MAGNETIC PRESENCE LIKE NO ONE ELSE HER AGE.

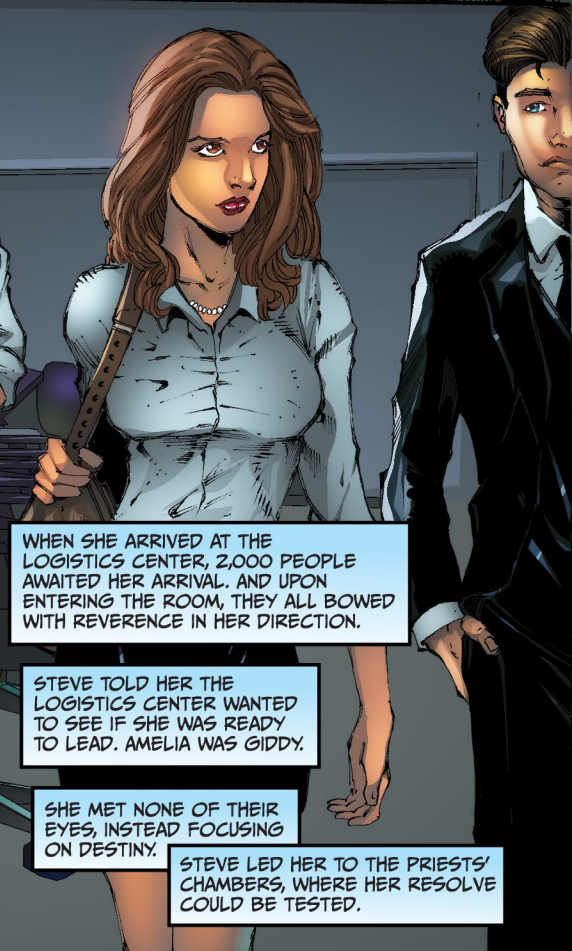
KIDS COMING OUT OF SCHOOL SIMPLY LACKED THE PROFESSIONAL WHEREWITHAL TO COMMAND AN ENTIRE ROOM LIKE SHE COULD.

STEVE EMAILED AMELIA ABOUT A FEMALE EMPOWERMENT AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING AT A NEARBY LOGISTICS CENTER.



INTERESTED, SHE WENT. WITH HER LEADERSHIP, SHE KNEW THE ORGANIZATION COULD DO SO MUCH MORE FOR WOMEN.

STEVE KNEW HOW SPECIAL AMELIA WAS, AND THE BOOT OF THE GODDESS SAW IT, TOO. THE GODDESS WANTED AMELIA AS A PRIESTESS IN HER CHURCH.

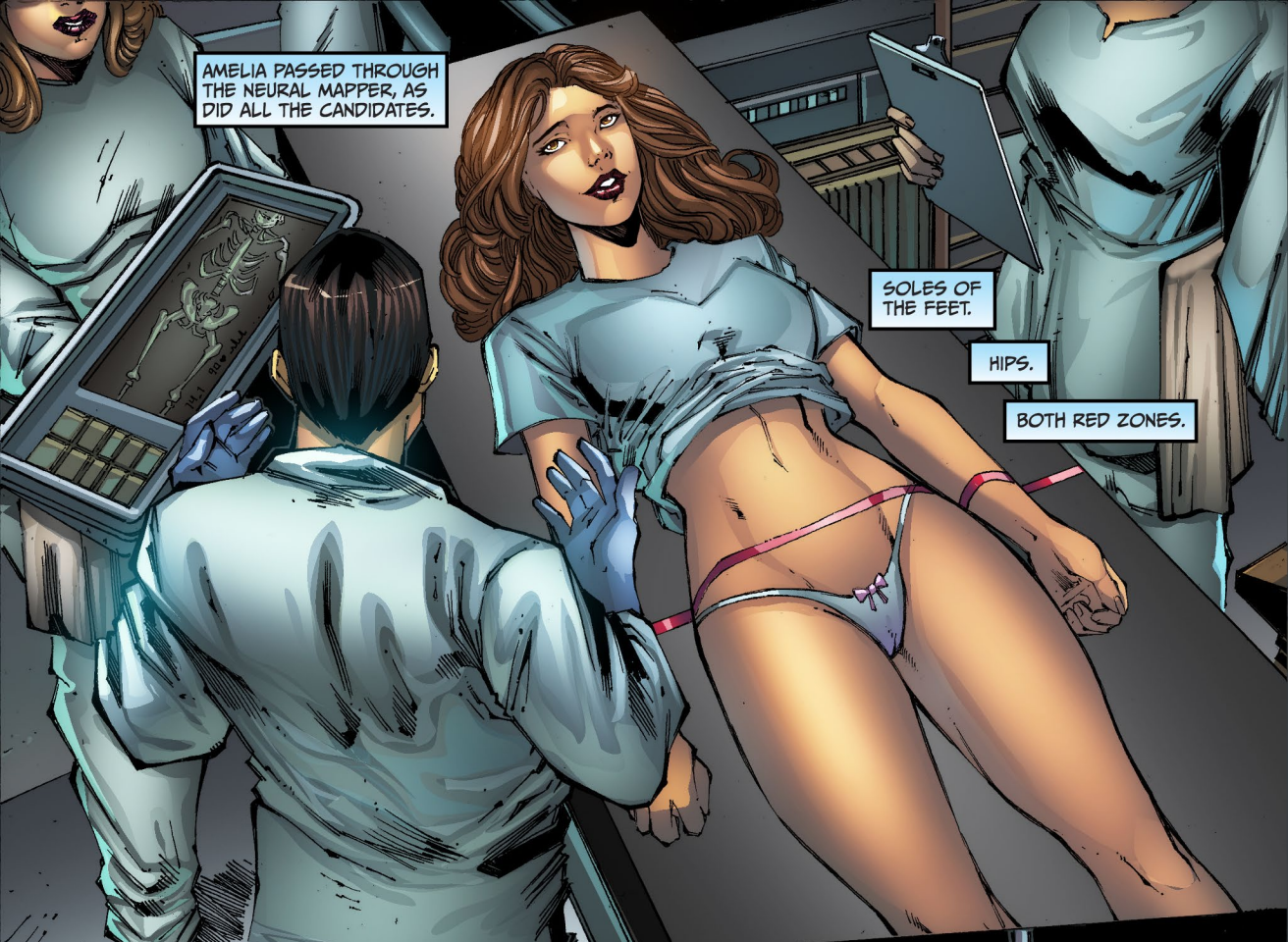


WHEN SHE ARRIVED AT THE LOGISTICS CENTER, 2,000 PEOPLE AWAITED HER ARRIVAL. AND UPON ENTERING THE ROOM, THEY ALL BOWED WITH REVERENCE IN HER DIRECTION.

STEVE TOLD HER THE LOGISTICS CENTER WANTED TO SEE IF SHE WAS READY TO LEAD. AMELIA WAS GIDDY.

SHE MET NONE OF THEIR EYES, INSTEAD FOCUSING ON DESTINY.

STEVE LED HER TO THE PRIESTS' CHAMBERS, WHERE HER RESOLVE COULD BE TESTED.



AMELIA PASSED THROUGH THE NEURAL MAPPER, AS DID ALL THE CANDIDATES.

SOLES OF THE FEET.

HIPS.

BOTH RED ZONES.



AMELIA WAS TOLD THE RULES OF THE TEST.

SHE COULD LEAVE AT ANY TIME: SHE SIMPLY HAD TO SAY THE SAFE WORD "GODDESS."

THEY ASSURED HER, IF SHE DIDN'T SAY THAT WORD, SHE COULD BECOME ONE HERSELF.

SHE WOULD WIELD REAL POWER AND HAVE DOMINION OVER SEVERAL THOUSAND OF THE RUTHLESS'S FOLLOWERS.



STEVE WOULD LEAD THE TEST.

AMELIA'S HEART PUMPED AS FAST AS STEVE'S. HE HAD BEEN HER MENTOR FOR THE LAST FEW WEEKS AND IN THAT RELATIONSHIP DEVELOPED AN UNLIKELY, AND MINOR, CRUSH OF SORTS.

THIS SEEMED PERFECT TO HER. SHE WANTED HIM TO EXPERIENCE HER BODY BUT SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO OFFER IT IN ANY SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE MANNER.



THE BAR IS SUSPENDED HIGH ENOUGH SO AMELIA IS FORCED TO HER TIP TOES.

IN THIS POSITION, SHE CANNOT PROTECT HER SENSITIVE SOLES.

AMELIA TWISTS AND TURNS, GRUNTING, AND GIGGLING.

SHE CANNOT DANCE TO ESCAPE.

STEVE'S TICKLING FINGERS SEND SHIVERS UP HER SPINE.

THE BOOT OF THE GODDESS HERSELF, ARIEL, STANDS NEARBY TO WATCH THE PROCEEDINGS.

THE TEST IS FOR AMELIA.

SHE ISN'T TO INTERFERE.

AND FOR STEVE.





IF STEVE FAILS, BOTH ARE CAST FROM THE CHURCH.

IT IS A HARSH PENALTY, BUT AS STACIA ALWAYS SAID "THE UNIVERSE IS FAR MORE UNFORGIVING THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE."

IF STEVE SUCCEEDS AND BRINGS UP AMELIA'S TRUE NATURE, BOTH SHALL BE REWARDED.

IN THE PROCESS, THEY WILL FALL IN LOVE AND TO BE WED.

SHE WILL SERVE AS LEADER FOR THOUSANDS OF STACIA'S DEVOUT FOLLOWERS, AND HE WILL AID HER IN WHATEVER CAPACITY SHE NEEDS.



THEY WILL BOTH GIVE
AND TAKE POWER FROM
EACH OTHER, AS THE
GODDESS DESIRES.



THEY WOULD FORM A LASTING
UNION, UNBREAKABLE BY ANY
MEANS EXCEPT DEATH.



LIKE THE MARRIAGES OF OLD.



IT HAS BEEN 50 MINUTES, AND AMELIA STARTS BREAKING DOWN PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY.

EVERY TEN MINUTES, SHE IS GIVEN EXACTLY 60 SECONDS TO CATCH HER BREATH AND REHYDRATE.

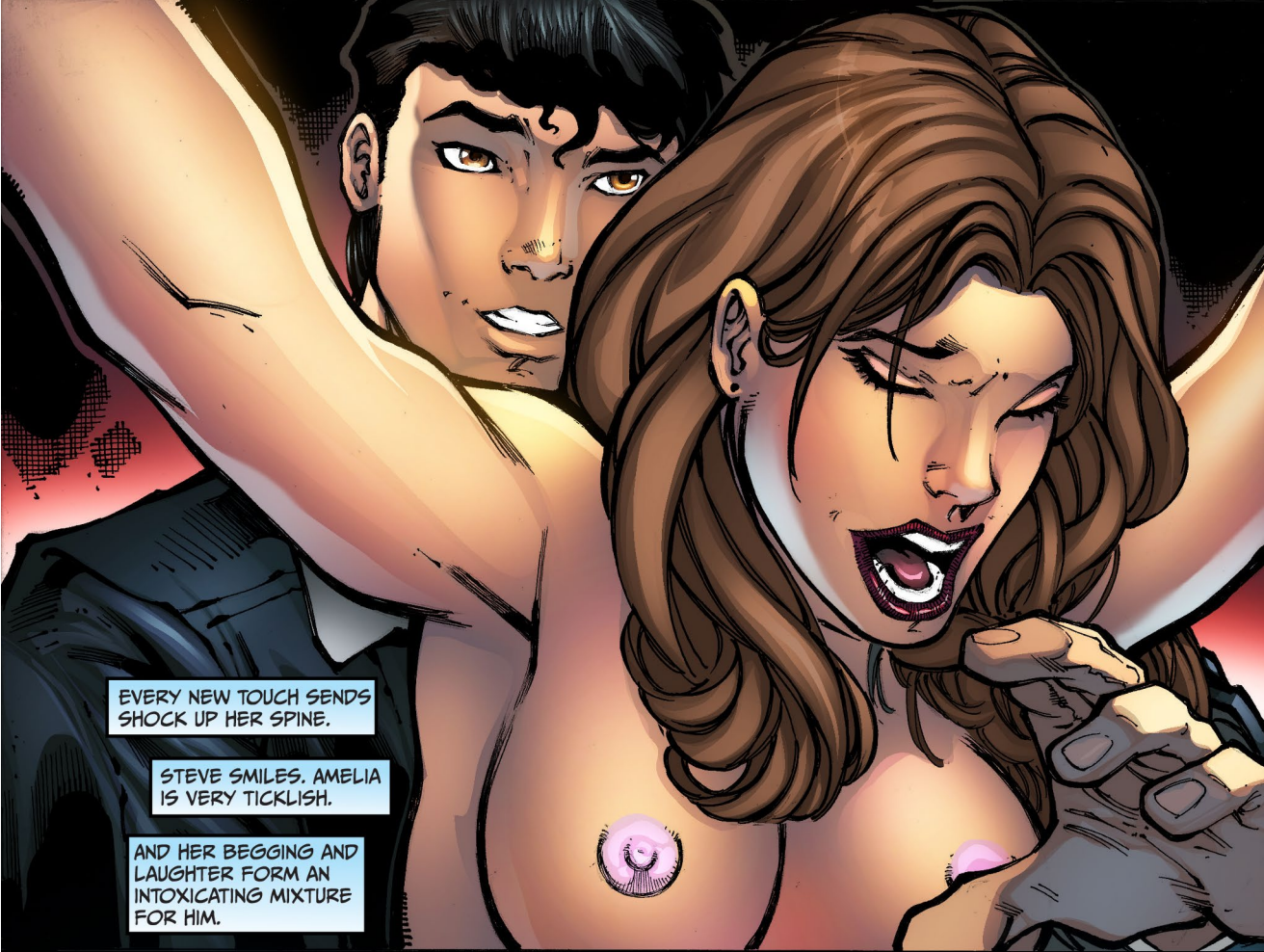


THEN STEVE, DETERMINED, CONTINUES HIS ASSAULT.

HE CANNOT HIDE HIS DESIRE FOR AMELIA.

SHE HAS BEEN HIS DEVOTED PUPIL.

AND NOW, EVERY INCH OF HER PERFECT BODY QUIVERS WITH LAUGHTER.



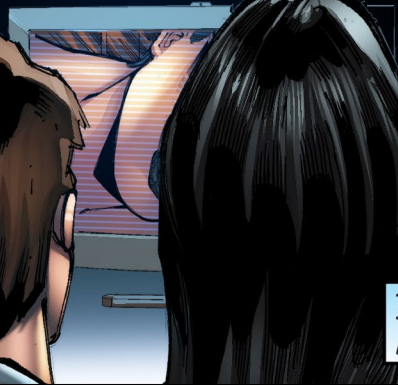
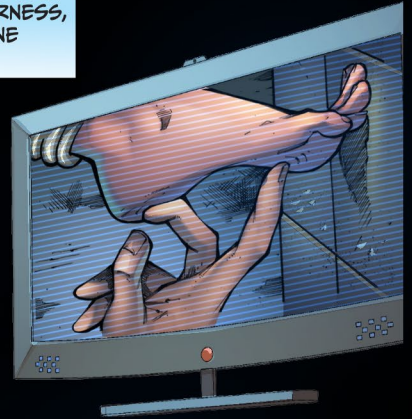
EVERY NEW TOUCH SENDS SHOCK UP HER SPINE.

STEVE SMILES. AMELIA IS VERY TICKLISH.

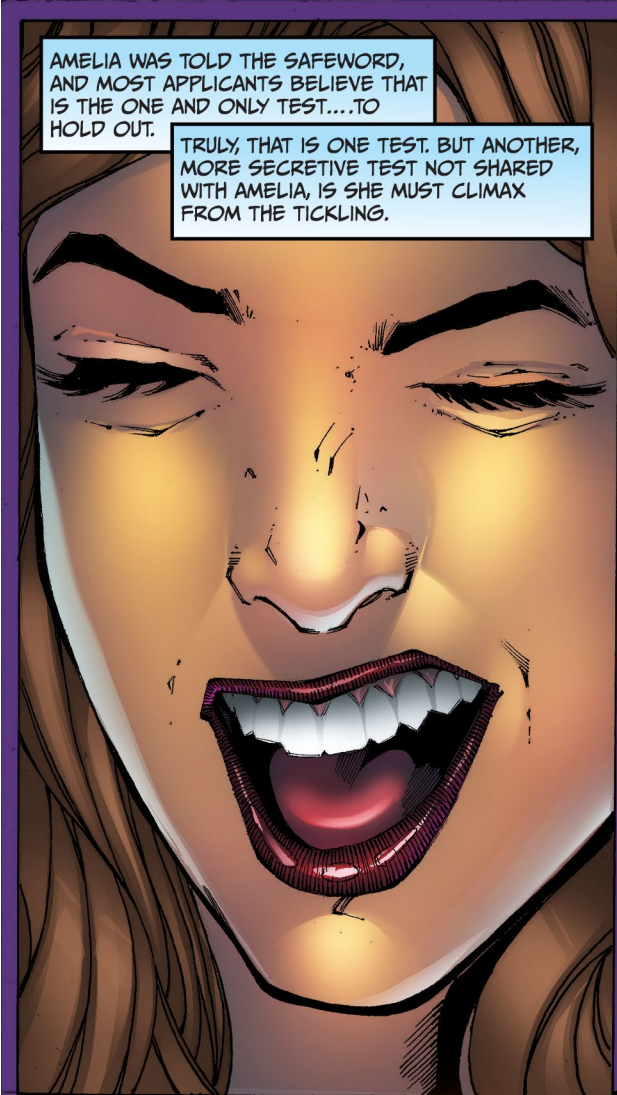
AND HER BEGGING AND LAUGHTER FORM AN INTOXICATING MIXTURE FOR HIM.

OUTSIDE, THE CONGREGATION WATCHES.

THEY WATCH, WITH EAGERNESS, TO SEE IF SHE IS THE ONE TO GUIDE THEM.

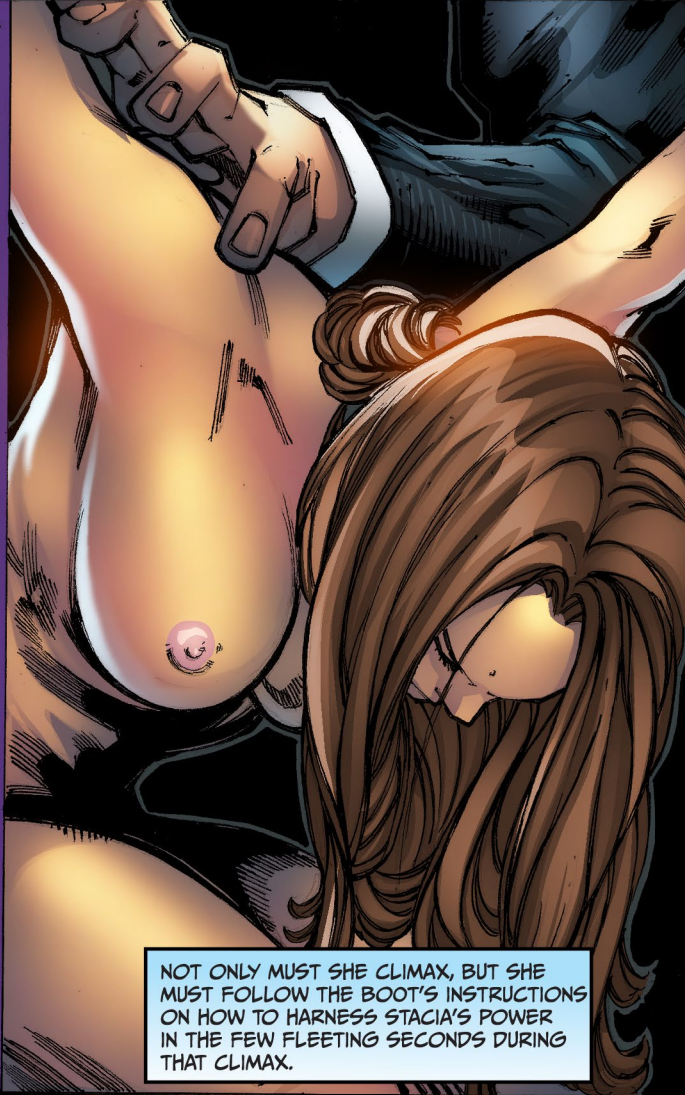


THEY HAVE SEEN MANY. SO, SO MANY, TESTED AND FAILED. THEY HOPE AMELIA IS THEIR NEW PRIESTESS.



AMELIA WAS TOLD THE SAFEWORD,
AND MOST APPLICANTS BELIEVE THAT
IS THE ONE AND ONLY TEST....TO
HOLD OUT.

TRULY, THAT IS ONE TEST. BUT ANOTHER,
MORE SECREITIVE TEST NOT SHARED
WITH AMELIA, IS SHE MUST CLIMAX
FROM THE TICKLING.



NOT ONLY MUST SHE CLIMAX, BUT SHE
MUST FOLLOW THE BOOT'S INSTRUCTIONS
ON HOW TO HARNESS STACIA'S POWER
IN THE FEW FLEETING SECONDS DURING
THAT CLIMAX.




IT IS A BRUTALLY HARD
TEST. ONLY 1 OUT OF 40
APPLICANTS PASS.



MOST TAP OUT.
THE TICKLING IS
TOO INTENSE.



OTHERS THAT STAY GRIT THEIR
TEETH AND REFUSE TO SUBMIT
THEIR WILL TO THEIR TICKLER.



THE RARE FEW THAT
ACTUALLY EXPERIENCE
A NATURAL TICKLEGASM
ARE NOT CAPABLE
OF HARNESSING
STACIA'S POWERS.



BUT AMELIA, DESPITE HER FRENZIED LAUGHTER AND MANIC TWISTING, DOES NOT TAP OUT.

SHE PLEADS, LAUGHS, GUFFAWS, GIGGLES, SQUEALS, AND A FEW TIMES EVEN SCREAMS.


BUT SHE NEVER TAPS OUT.

THE BOOT TELLS HER A SIMPLE TRICK: IF SHE IS ABOUT TO EXPLODE WITH ENERGY, FOCUS ON THE FOURTH DIMENSION... TIME.

FOCUS ON THE ROPES BINDING HER, AND HOW TO REPLACE THE CURRENT FOURTH DIMENSION TO ANOTHER DIMENSION TO THEM WHERE THE ROPES NO LONGER INHABIT THAT SPACE.

AMELIA BARELY COMPREHENDS. THE BOOT'S WORDS DON'T MAKE SENSE.

AS SHE IS NEARLY DEFEATED, STEVE WHISPERS SOMETHING IN HER EAR.



THE MAN WHO WAS NEVER SPECIAL, TOLD HER HOW SPECIAL SHE WAS "TO HIM."

SUDDENLY, AMELIA UNDERSTOOD. SHE KNEW HOW MUCH THIS WAS TURNING HIM ON. THIS WENT FAR BEYOND A SIMPLE TEST.

ENRAPPED, AMELIA EXPLODES WITH AN ORGASM THAT ROCKS HER ENTIRE BODY.



SHE FOCUSES HER RACING MIND ON THE FOURTH DIMENSION.

THE ROPES VANISH.

THE CONGREGATION ERUPTS IN APPLAUSE AND CHEERS AS THEY WELCOME THEIR PRIESTESS INTO THE CHURCH OF STACIA.