

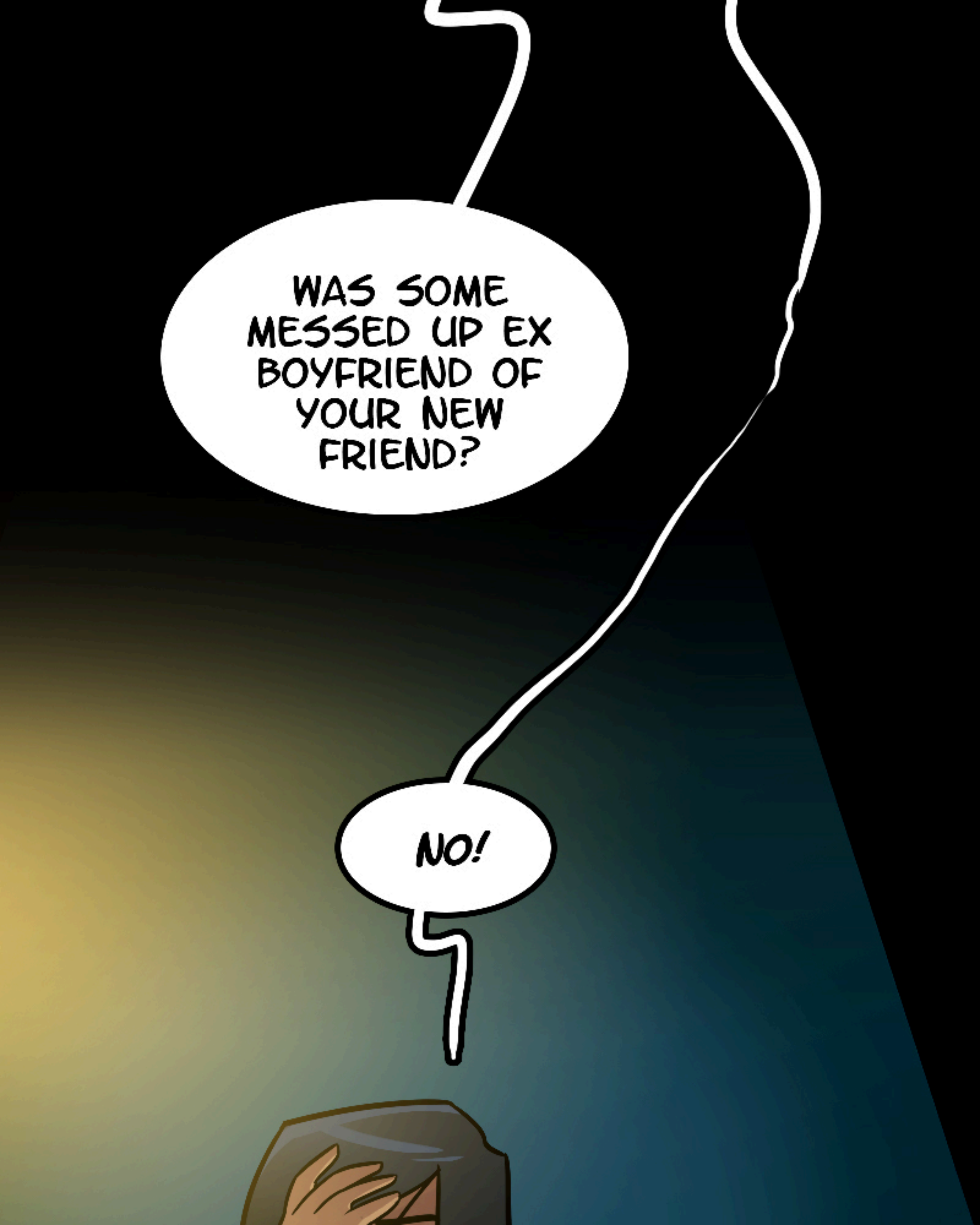
SOMEONE
BROKE IN AND
ATTACKED
YOU!?



A cartoon illustration of a person's upper body wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt. A large white speech bubble with a black outline is connected to the character by a white line. The speech bubble contains the text "DID THEY STEAL ANY THING?". Another white line extends from the bottom of this bubble towards a smaller white speech bubble in the lower right corner.

DID THEY
STEAL ANY
THING?

NO.

A comic panel with a dark background. A large white speech bubble at the top contains the text 'WAS SOME MESSED UP EX BOYFRIEND OF YOUR NEW FRIEND?'. A smaller white speech bubble below it contains the text 'NO!'. A hand is visible at the bottom, holding a dark, rounded object. The background has a yellowish-green gradient on the left and a dark blue gradient on the right.

WAS SOME
MESSED UP EX
BOYFRIEND OF
YOUR NEW
FRIEND?

NO!





WE NEED
TO CALL THE

TO CALL THE
POLICE.

NO,
VELIX.

WE CAN'T
JUST NOT REPORT
THIS-





A cartoon illustration of a hand with a speech bubble. The hand is rendered in shades of brown and tan with black outlines and is positioned in the lower-left corner. A white speech bubble with a black outline extends from the hand towards the upper-middle of the frame. The background is a dark, solid color.

I SAID NO,
VELIX!!





XADA... YOU
WERE ASSAULTED
IN OUR HOME-



DON'T YOU
THINK THAT
WARRANTS-



IT'S NOT
GOING TO HELP!!
OKAY!?



THE POLICE
AREN'T GOING TO
BE ABLE TO DO A
THING ABOUT
THIS!!



PLEASE,
VELIX...

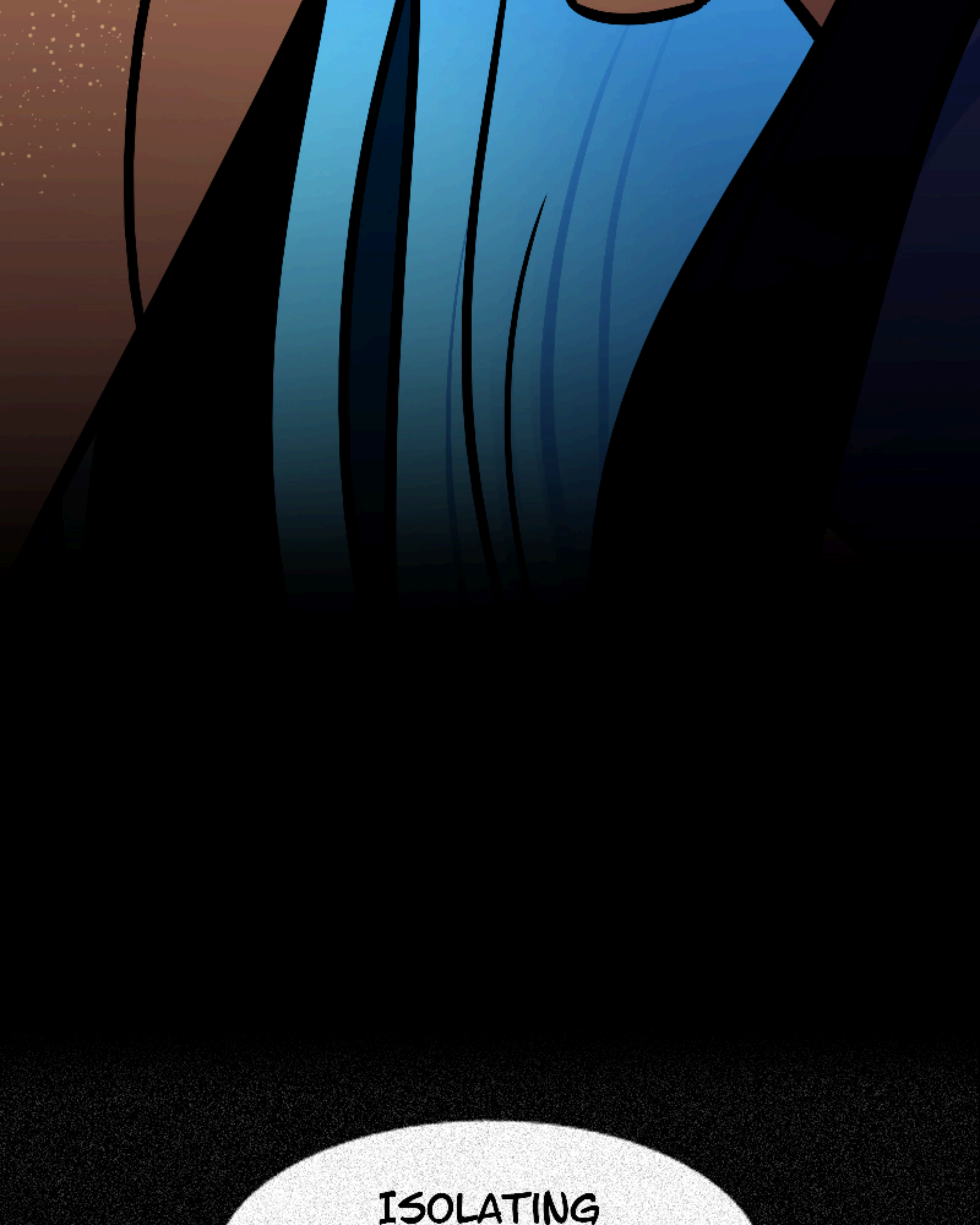




I DON'T
WANT TO FIGHT

WANT TO FIGHT...
I DON'T WANT TO
YELL...



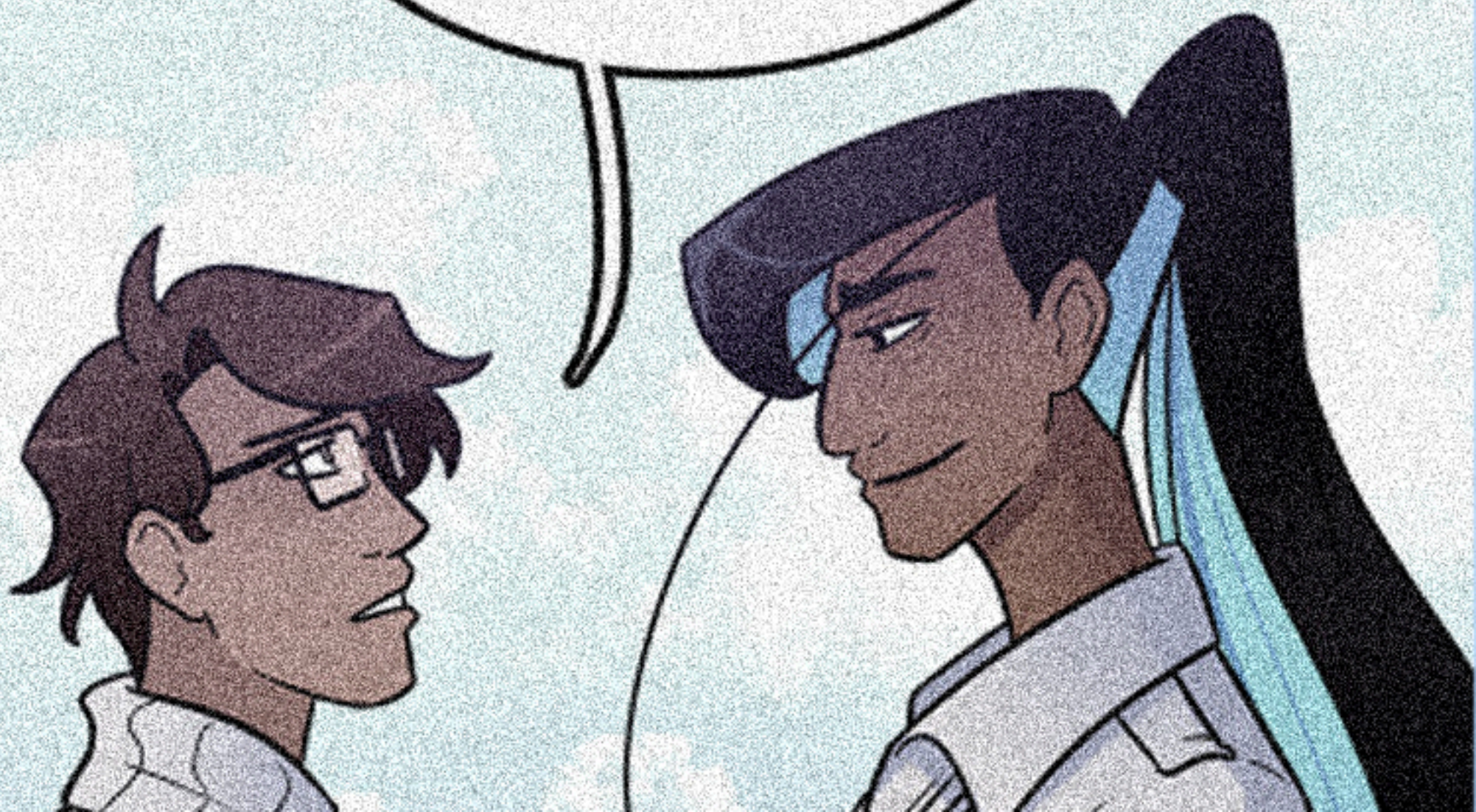


ISOLATING

YOURSELF WITH
THIS PROBLEM ISN'T
ANY BETTER.

IF YOU
AREN'T GOING TO
TALK TO ME ABOUT
IT-

IS THERE AT
LEAST SOMEONE
ELSE YOU CAN
LEAN ON?

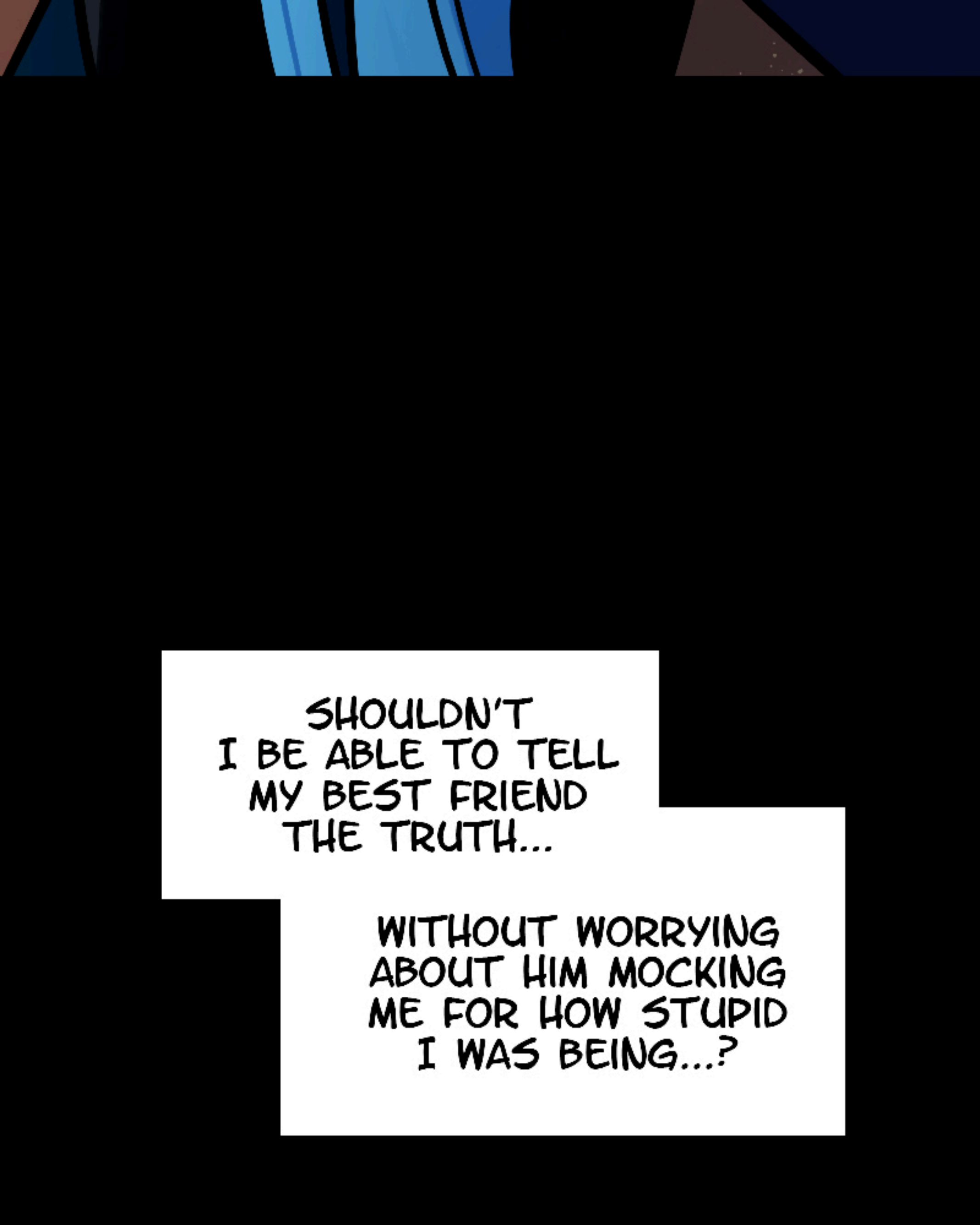




WHY CAN'T I
JUST TELL HIM...







SHOULDN'T
I BE ABLE TO TELL
MY BEST FRIEND
THE TRUTH...

WITHOUT WORRYING
ABOUT HIM MOCKING
ME FOR HOW STUPID
I WAS BEING...?



I PROMISE
I'LL EXPLAIN
EVERYTHING
TO YOU...

JUST GIVE
ME SOME TIME
TO CALM DOWN...
OKAY? PLEASE?





I JUST
NEED A
MINUTE...





...YOU'RE
RIGHT.

I'M SORRY.





I'M NOT
TRYING TO
RUSH YOU...

I'M JUST
REALLY WORRIED,
THAT'S ALL.



I KNOW...





THANK YOU,
VELIX...

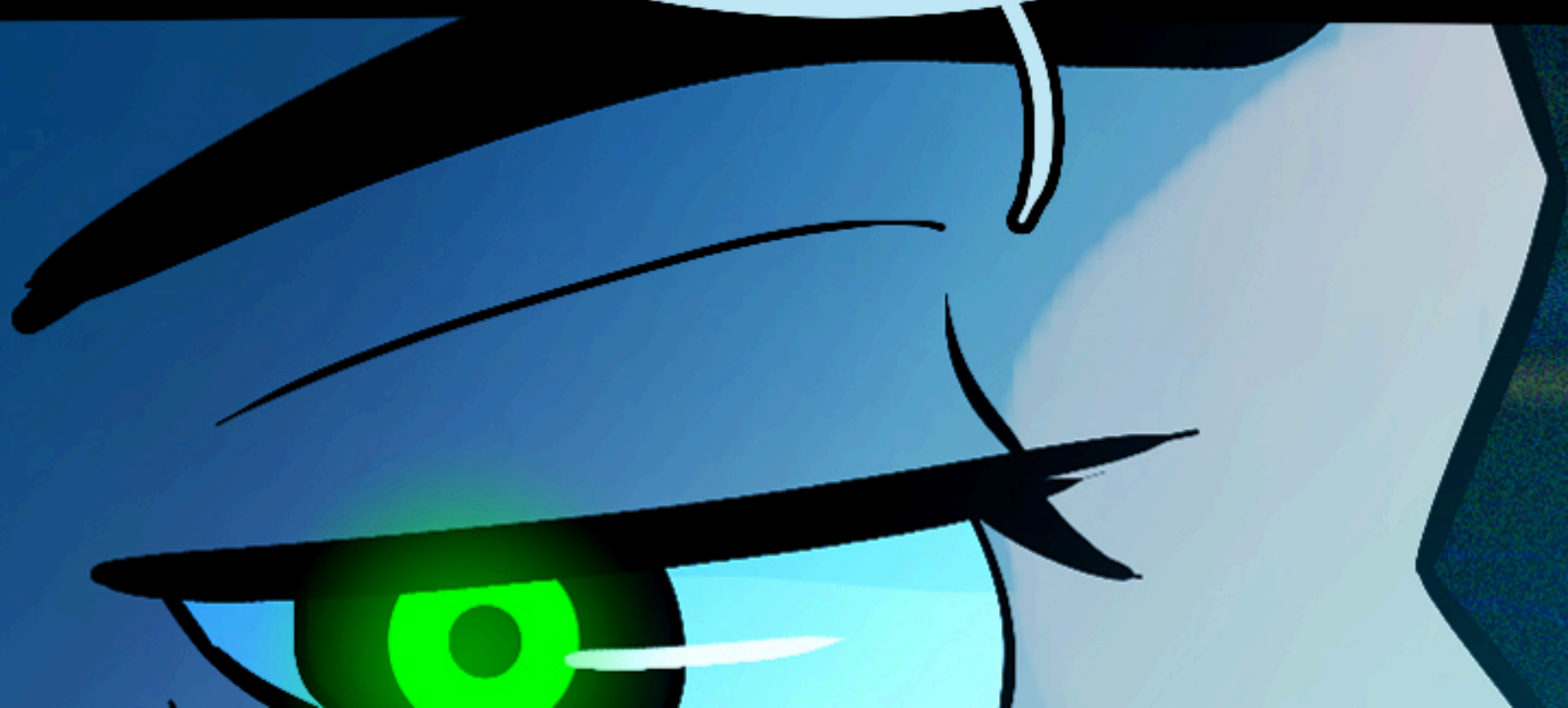
A stylized illustration of a hand holding a brown book. The hand is light-skinned with black outlines. A white speech bubble with a black outline extends from the hand. The background is dark blue with a subtle wavy pattern.

I'M GLAD
YOU'RE HOME.





"I THINK HE'S
LUCKY THAT HE HAS A
FRIEND THAT CARES
SO MUCH."





CLICK





HEY
LACE...



A comic panel with a dark background. At the top, the lower portion of a character is visible, showing a dark blue jacket over a white shirt with pink horizontal stripes. A large white speech bubble with a black outline is positioned in the lower half of the frame. The text inside the bubble is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The bubble's tail points downwards towards the bottom center of the frame.

DON'T
MEAN TO
INTERRUPT...





I'M JUST
BRINGING UP
FRANKIE LIKE
YOU ASKED...

THANK YOU,
LACEY...







I'M GOING
TO GO AND
REBOOT THE
SECURITY
SYSTEM.

AND CLEAN
UP ALL THE
BROKEN GLASS.



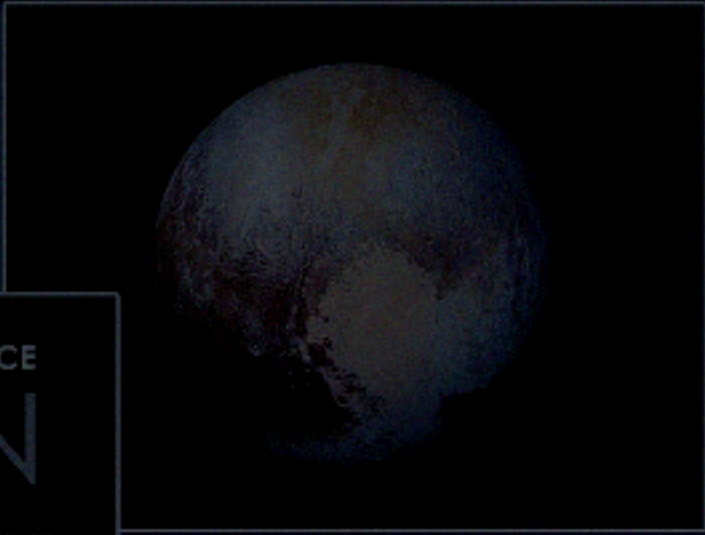


OKAY...









DESIGNED FOR DEEP SPACE

ORION

IMMEDIATE PROTECTION

ORION'S SERVICE MODULE (SM) PROVIDES IMMEDIATE PROTECTION FOR THE CREW DURING LAUNCH AND REENTRY. IT IS THE ONLY PART OF THE SPACECRAFT THAT REMAINS ATTACHED TO THE ORION CAPSULE DURING THESE PHASES.

SAFETY SHIELD

ORION'S SERVICE MODULE IS COVERED BY A SAFETY SHIELD THAT PROTECTS THE CREW FROM METEORITIC IMPACTS DURING LAUNCH AND REENTRY. THE SHIELD IS MADE OF A SPECIAL MATERIAL THAT CAN WITHSTAND HIGH TEMPERATURES AND IMPACTS.

ORION CAPSULE

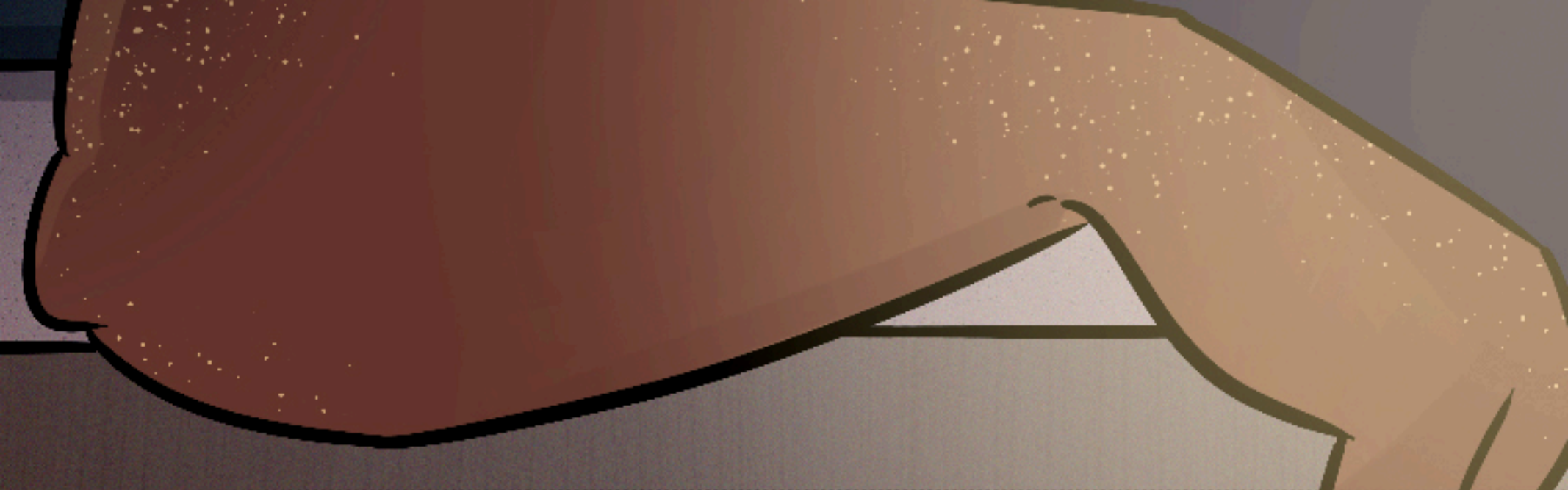
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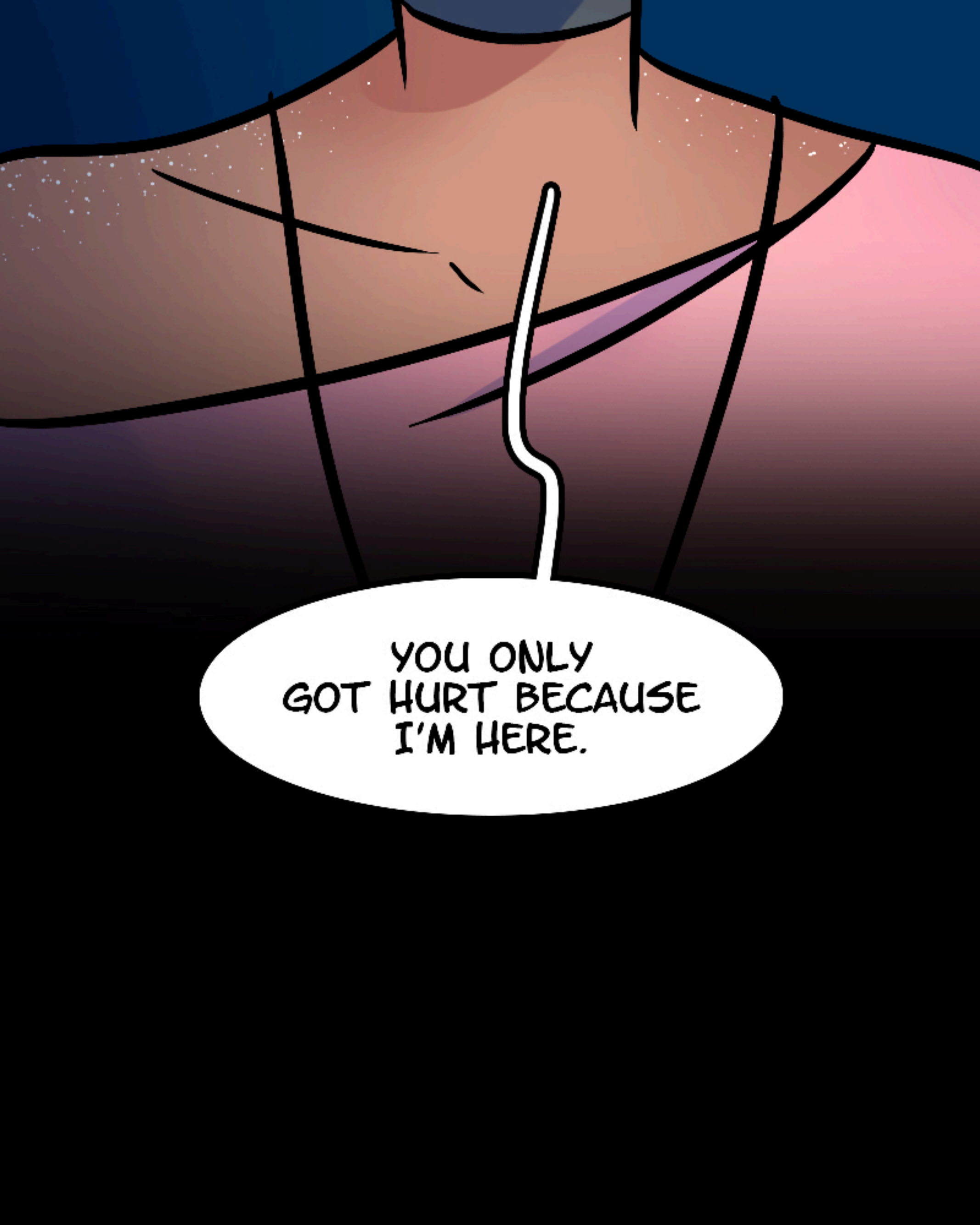




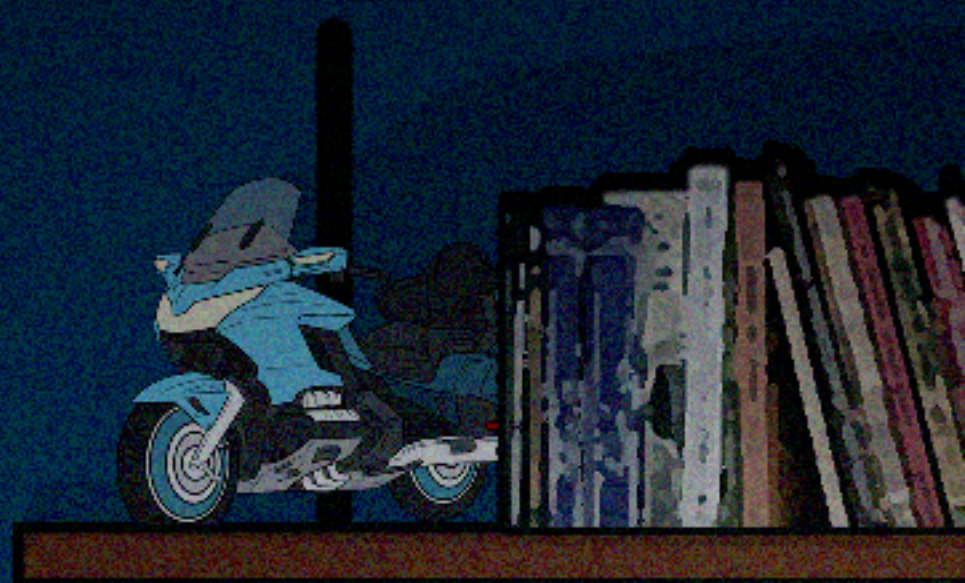


I'M SORRY...





YOU ONLY
GOT HURT BECAUSE
I'M HERE.





SIGH

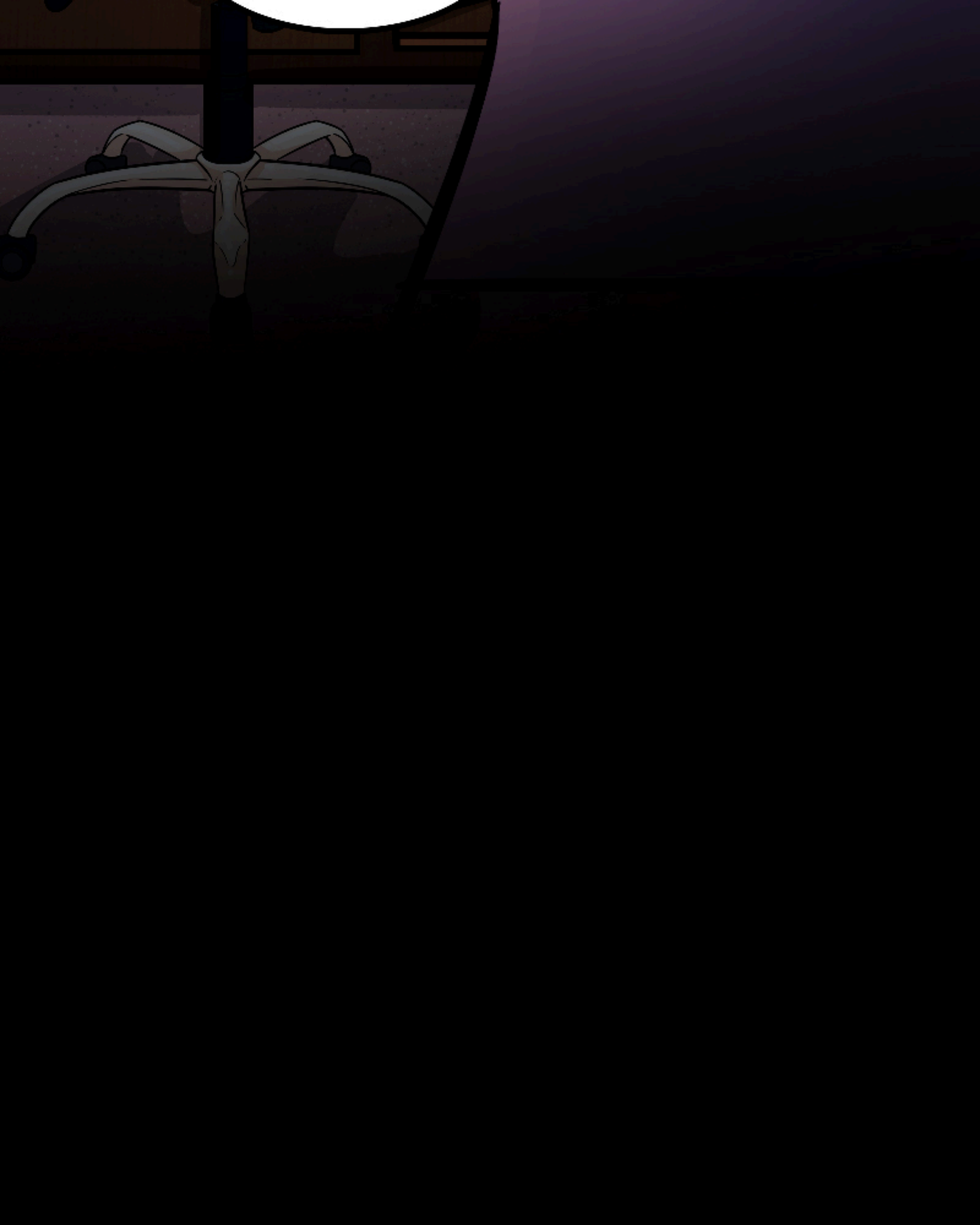
LACEY...

YOU DON'T HAVE
TO APOLOGIZE FOR

BEING HERE.

I WANT TO
HELP YOU.

OF COURSE
I DO.



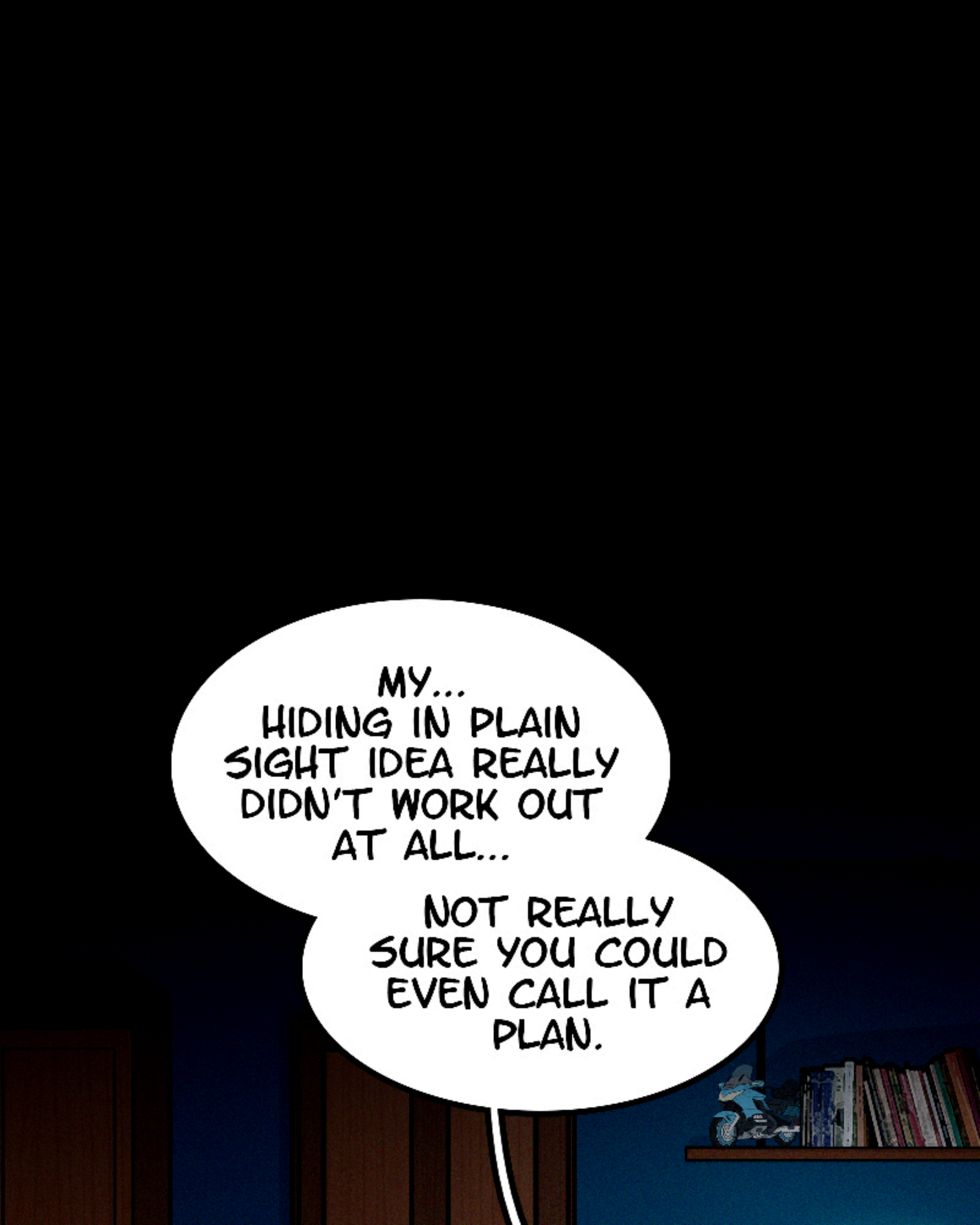


A comic panel featuring a character's torso. The character has a large, muscular build with a brown, textured skin or armor. They are wearing a dark blue garment. The background is a mix of blue and grey tones. Two speech bubbles are present: one in the upper right and one in the lower left.

I WOULDN'T
CHANGE ANYTHING
ABOUT US...

EXCEPT... I DONT
KNOW... BE BETTER AT
DEFENDING FROM
HUNTERS?

I GUESS?



MY...
HIDING IN PLAIN
SIGHT IDEA REALLY
DIDN'T WORK OUT
AT ALL...

NOT REALLY
SURE YOU COULD
EVEN CALL IT A
PLAN.



LIVE AND
LEARN, I GUESS... NOT
LIKE I HAVE ANY
EXPERIENCE IN THIS
KIND OF STUFF.

AND A SUPER
TALL ROBOT ASSASSIN
WAS MOST CERTAINLY
NOT ON MY LIST OF
THINGS I THOUGHT I
HAD TO PREPARE
FOR, HAHA.



HEY...



IT'S A
LOT...

BUT
IT'S GOING
TO BE OKAY,
ALRIGHT?







WE JUST
NEED TO COME
UP WITH A BETTER
PLAN OR...

A BETTER WAY TO
FIND ANSWERS ABOUT
YOUR SITUATION.

RIGHT...

SQUEEZE







RELEASE



HE DIDN'T
DENY IT...



AND HE SHOULDN'T.

HE KNOWS IT'S
MY FAULT FOR ALL OF
THIS HAPPENING...

I CAN'T
LET HIM KEEP
GETTING HURT LIKE
THIS FOR ME...

AH, HER
FOREHEAD

GEM IS
MISSING...





I'LL GO
GET IT!



OH- NO
IT'S OKAY-

I DON'T
NEED IT
RIGHT...

SHUT

NOW...







AH, GOOD.
JUST IN
TIME.

STEP

STEP





STEP



YOU AND
I NEED TO
TALK.



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