



IS THIS WHERE THE PATH TO POWER LEADS?

I'M SORRY, SENATOR BRAXIS --

-- THE IMPERIAL THRONE CANNOT INTERFERE IN LOCAL POLITICS.



TO MANIPULATION...?

WHAT'S NEXT?

CONFIRMATION FROM ADMIRAL MULLEEN --

BUT YOU PROMISED --



TO DESTRUCTION...?

-- THE OFFICERS SUSPECTED OF ANTI-IMPERIAL SENTIMENTS HAVE BEEN ROUNDED UP AND ELIMINATED.

FINANCE MINISTER GAHG REPORTS THAT IMPERIAL ANNEXATION OF THE ASSETS OF DEFEATED SEPARATIST PLANETS IS NEARLY COMPLETE.

TO SIMPLY ACQUIRE MORE?



ANYTHING ELSE, PESTAGE?

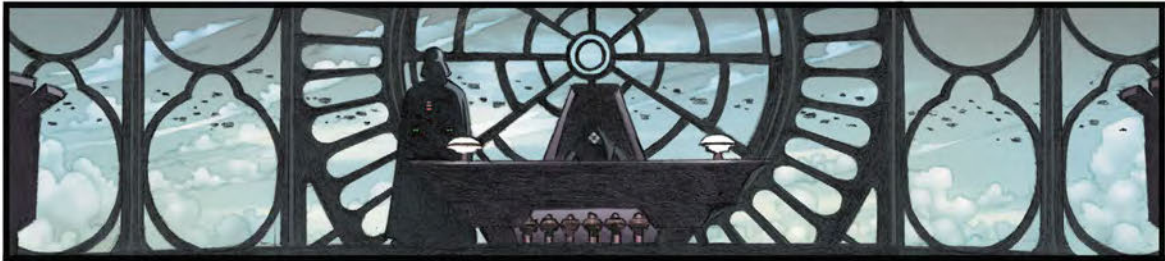
PER YOUR ORDERS, A BRIGADE FROM THE 501st HAS BEEN DISPATCHED TO NEW PLYMPTO TO END THE FIGHTING THERE.

EXCELLENT.



THAT WILL BE ALL FOR NOW.

GUARDS, YOU ARE DISMISSED.



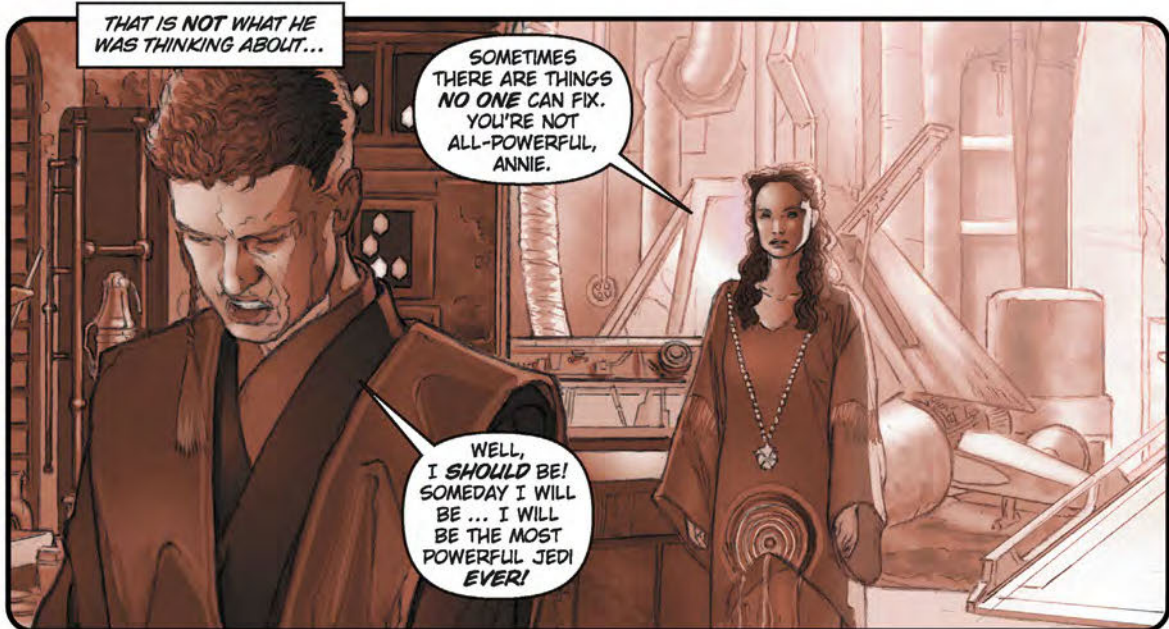
ARE THE LESSONS OF KESSEL SO SOON FORGOTTEN, APPRENTICE? GIVING IN TO YOUR EMOTIONS NEARLY LED TO YOUR DESTRUCTION.

MASTER ... I...



YOU FEEL YOU SHOULD BE DOING *SOMETHING*, DON'T YOU, LORD VADER?

WHAT WOULD YOU DO? LEAD THE 501st? *HUNT THE JEDI? TRACK DOWN ANAKIN SKYWALKER'S FORMER MASTER?*



THAT IS NOT WHAT HE WAS THINKING ABOUT...

SOMETIMES THERE ARE THINGS NO ONE CAN FIX. YOU'RE NOT ALL-POWERFUL, ANNIE.

WELL, I SHOULD BE! SOMEDAY I WILL BE ... I WILL BE THE MOST POWERFUL JEDI EVER!



...BUT VADER SAYS NOTHING.

BE PATIENT. YOU WILL SOON HAVE A NEW ASSIGNMENT.

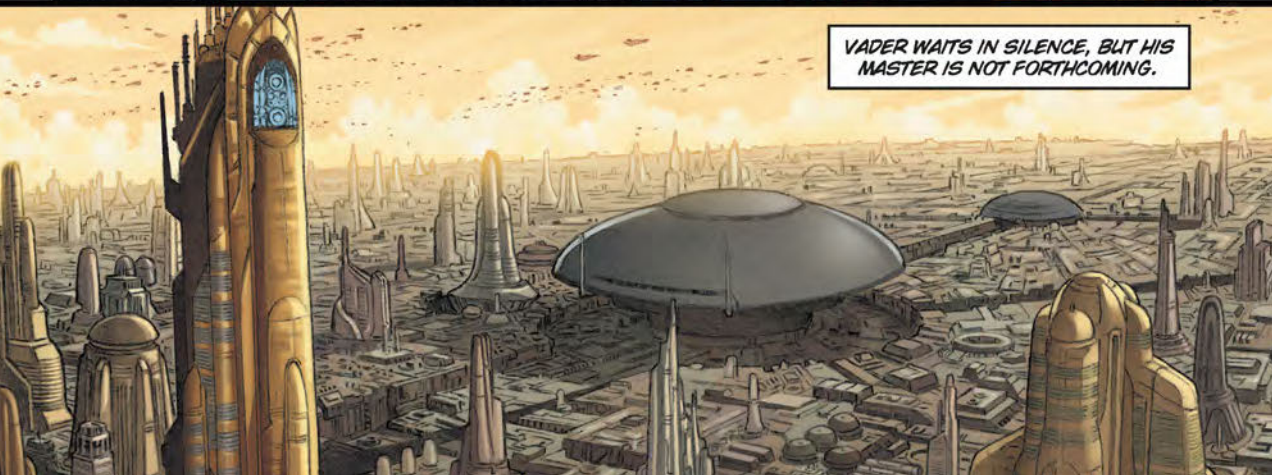


VADER WONDERS IF THE ASSIGNMENT WILL REVEAL ANYTHING OF HIS MASTER'S PLANS FOR THE FUTURE -- HIS PLANS FOR WHAT TO DO WITH THE POWER OF THEIR NEW EMPIRE...



...OR WHETHER IT WILL BE JUST ANOTHER VENTURE OF ACQUISITION AND CONSOLIDATION?

VADER WAITS IN SILENCE, BUT HIS MASTER IS NOT FORTHCOMING.



**NEW PLYMPTO, IN
THE CORE WORLDS.**

**THIS IS THE NOSAURIANS' LAST
STAND. THEIR ADOPTED GENERAL --
FORMER JEDI GENERAL DASS
JENNIR -- KNOWS THE END IS NEAR.**

**AFTER ORDER 66, JENNIR WAS
FORCED TO SEEK AID FROM HIS
FORMER ENEMIES. THE SEPARATIST
NOSAURIANS ACCEPTED HIM, AND
HE JOINED THEIR CAUSE. NOW HE
OVERSEES ITS DEMISE.**

**HIS SPIES REPORTED THE ARRIVAL
OF IMPERIAL REINFORCEMENTS
DURING THE NIGHT. HE KNOWS
THEIR TANKS ARE APPROACHING,
AND HE KNOWS HE LACKS THE
STRENGTH TO STOP THEM.**

**THE CAUSE FOR WHICH THEY'VE
FOUGHT IS LOST, BUT THERE IS
STILL ONE PURPOSE THIS
LITTLE ARMY CAN SERVE...**



