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STAFFORD, EARTH.

So, we've
been back for
a year.

After two years,
we escape a hell
dimension to find
ourselves trapped
inside by a pandemic.

Which could be ironic, but with
what we know about the amoral
god that lurks outside time and
space, feels more like trolling.

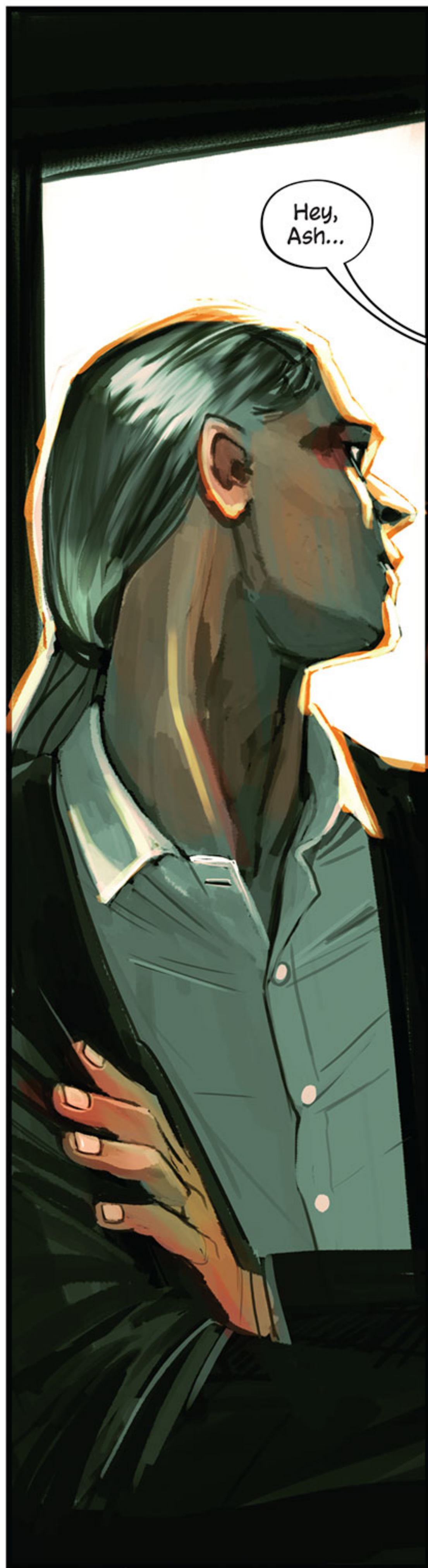
"Hey, Ash--we were
discussing what
escapism was for.
Have another year
to chew it over."

Thanks, Die,
fuck off forever.

And I have a
two-year-old.

He didn't trust
the weird stranger
at first...

..."You and me, kid.
You and me."



Hey,
Ash...



Don't you
dare wake him,
motherfucker.

Babysitter
is paid. We are
going out.



Well, Sophie,
don't *you* wake
him up with the
"motherfuckers"!

The real horror:
how little time
I've had to do
anything about
my gender
bullshit.

And the
weirdest
thing?

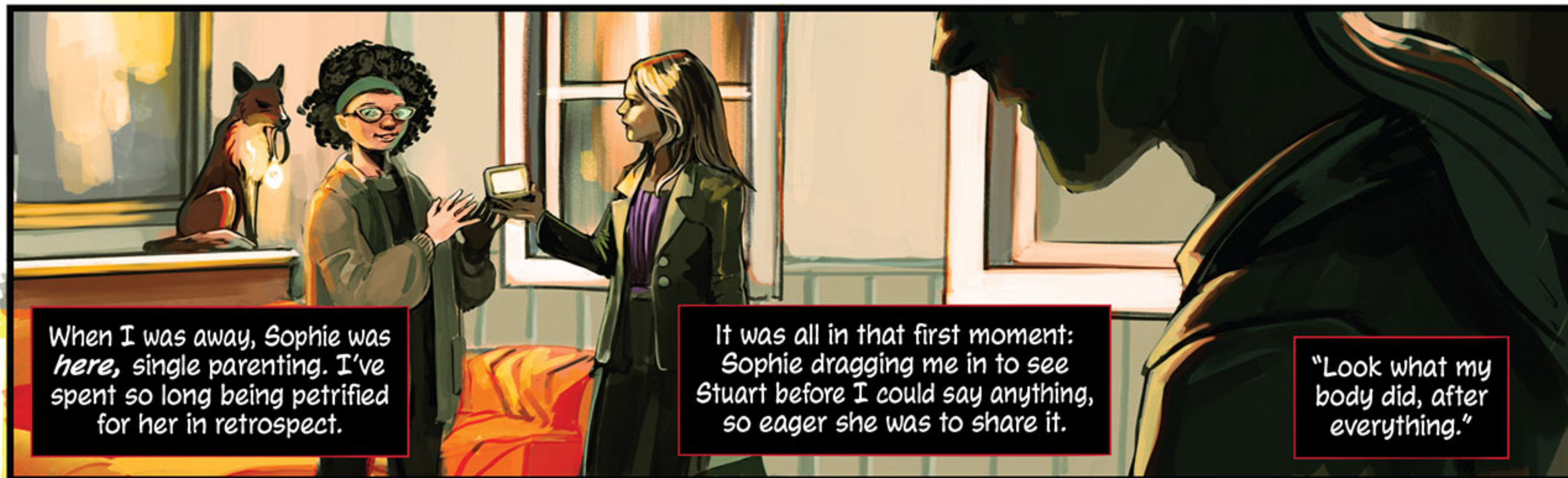


Being called
"Daddy" just seems
to take priority.

Everything is a role
for me. Right now,
I play it and play it
as well as I can.

Another distraction
from doing anything
else?

Guilt.



When I was away, Sophie was *here*, single parenting. I've spent so long being petrified for her in retrospect.

It was all in that first moment: Sophie dragging me in to see Stuart before I could say anything, so eager she was to share it.

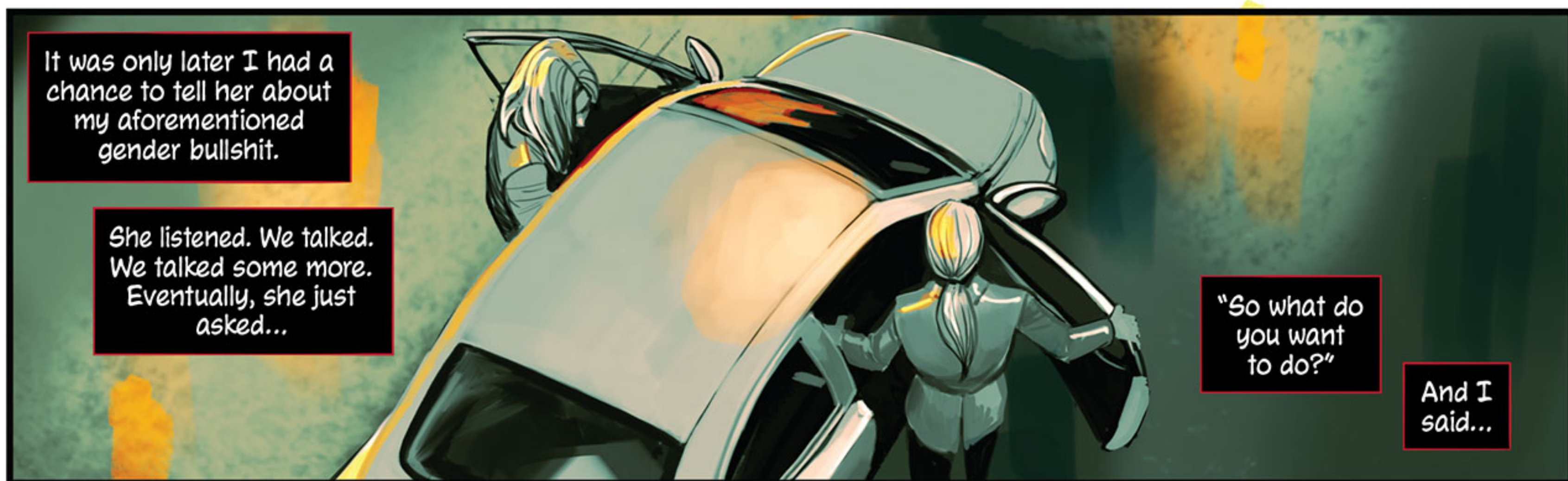
"Look what my body did, after everything."



Then she asked me where the fuck I went.

I wanted to tell her about Die. I didn't.

We'd all already decided we wouldn't--the fear of infecting people was still there.

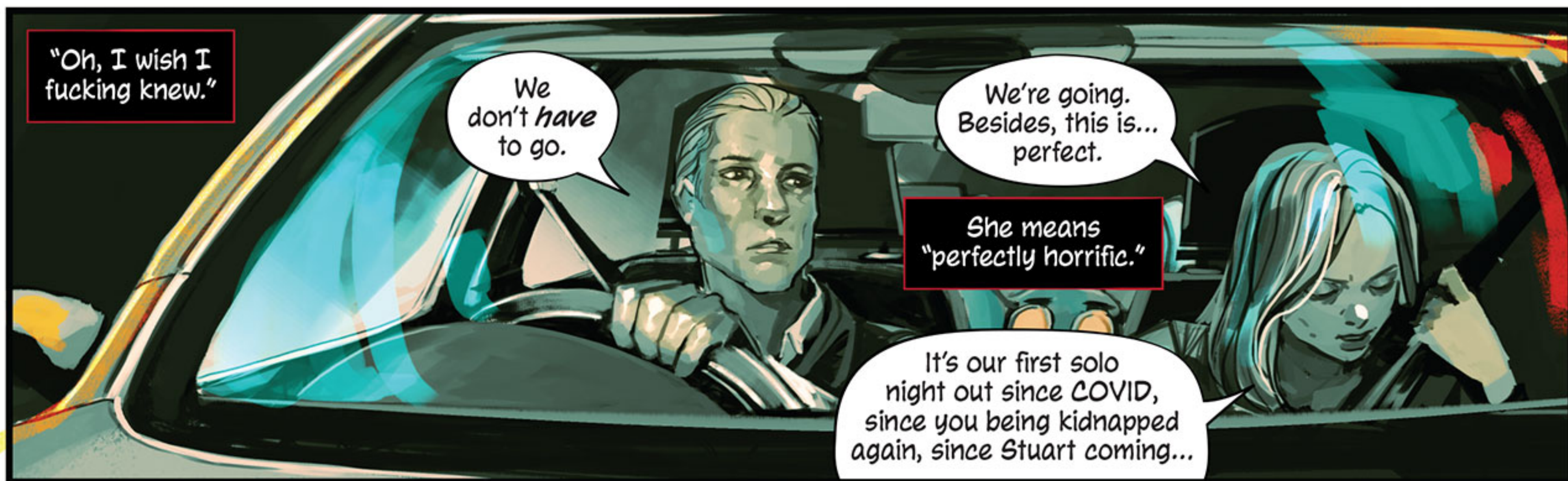


It was only later I had a chance to tell her about my aforementioned gender bullshit.

She listened. We talked. We talked some more. Eventually, she just asked...

"So what do you want to do?"

And I said...



"Oh, I wish I fucking knew."

We don't *have* to go.

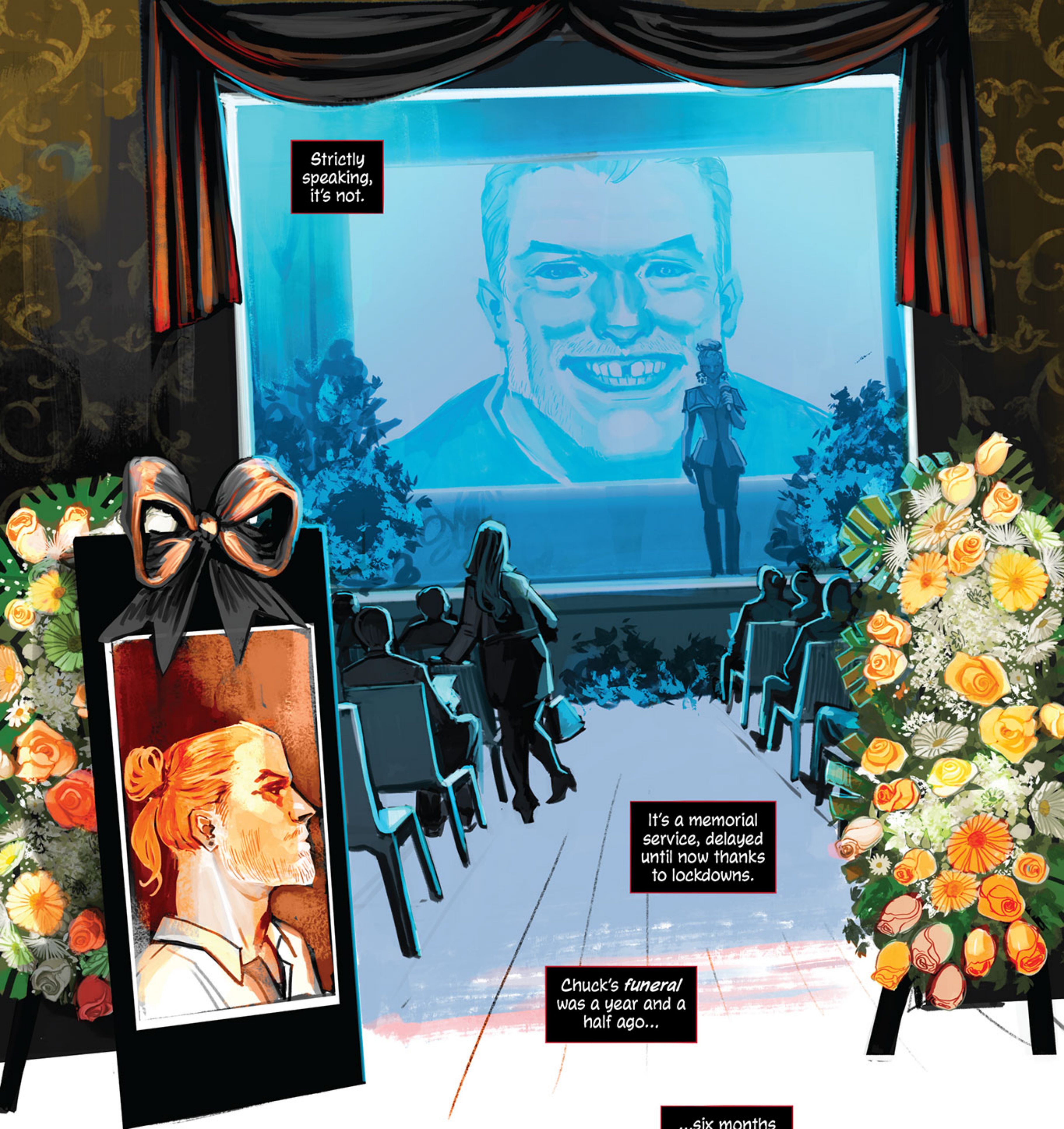
We're going. Besides, this is... perfect.

She means "perfectly horrific."

It's our first solo night out since COVID, since you being kidnapped again, since Stuart coming...



...and we're going to a funeral.



Strictly speaking,
it's not.

It's a memorial
service, delayed
until now thanks
to lockdowns.

Chuck's funeral
was a year and a
half ago...

...six months
before we got
back.



When his
body turned
up.

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STATS

All stats start at 2, plus 2 points assigned as you wish.

Str		Dex		Con		Int		Wis		Cha	
Guard Resets at the start of each fight		Health =Con Lose Guard Before Health		Willpower =Wis+Int		Defence Set by Gear					



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