

MANY STRANGE TALES TRAVERSE
THE LANDS, NONE STRANGER THAN
THAT OF THE LEOPARD-HEADED
WARRIOR...

SOME
CLAIM HIS
ARRIVAL
HERALDS
DARK
TIMES TO
COME...

BUT TO
THOSE WHO
HAVE FOUGHT
ALONGSIDE HIM,
BELIEVE
OTHERWISE.

THAT
THE ONE
KNOWN
ONLY AS
GUIN, IS
DESTINY'S
OWN HAND
AT WORK.

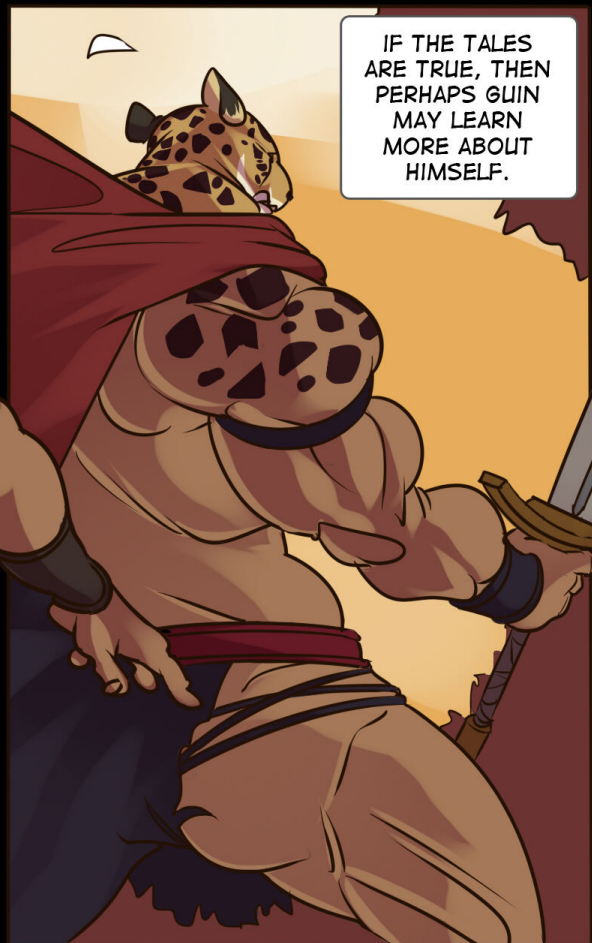




SIMILIAR TALES SPEAK OF A LION-HEADED BARBARIAN FROM ACROSS THE SEAS, THE AUTHENTICITY OF WHICH BEGS INVESTIGATION...



THAT CURIOSITY HAS LED GUIN TO THE FAR-FLUNG LANDS OF **SAVALIA**, ALSO KNOWN AS **RED EARTH**.



IF THE TALES ARE TRUE, THEN PERHAPS GUIN MAY LEARN MORE ABOUT HIMSELF.



THE REVELATION HOWEVER, BE IT A BLESSING OR A CURSE, IS SOMETHING THAT GUIN WILL HAVE TO LEAVE TO CHANCE.



WHERE...
WHERE AM I?







I AM **LEO**,
KING OF
SAVALIA...

ONCE I WAS A
NORMAL HUMAN BEING,
BUT A CURSE LEFT ME
IN MY CURRENT
STATE...

AND NOW,
TO FIND ONE
SUCH AS YOURSELF
HERE...



I HEARD RUMORS
OF ANOTHER BEAST
MAN IN THESE LANDS.
I WAS SEARCHING
FOR ANSWERS...

ANSWERS?



ANSWERS CAN
WAIT UNTIL WE
GET YOU DOWN
FROM THERE.

ALTHOUGH,
I HAVE MY OWN
SHACKLES TO
DEAL WITH.





OUUUHHHHH!

SQULECH
SQULECH

THE LESS
YOU STRUGGLE,
THE EASIER IT
WILL BE...



THEY FEED OFF
THEIR HOST WITHOUT
CAUSING HARM.

STAY
CALM AND
YOU'LL BE...

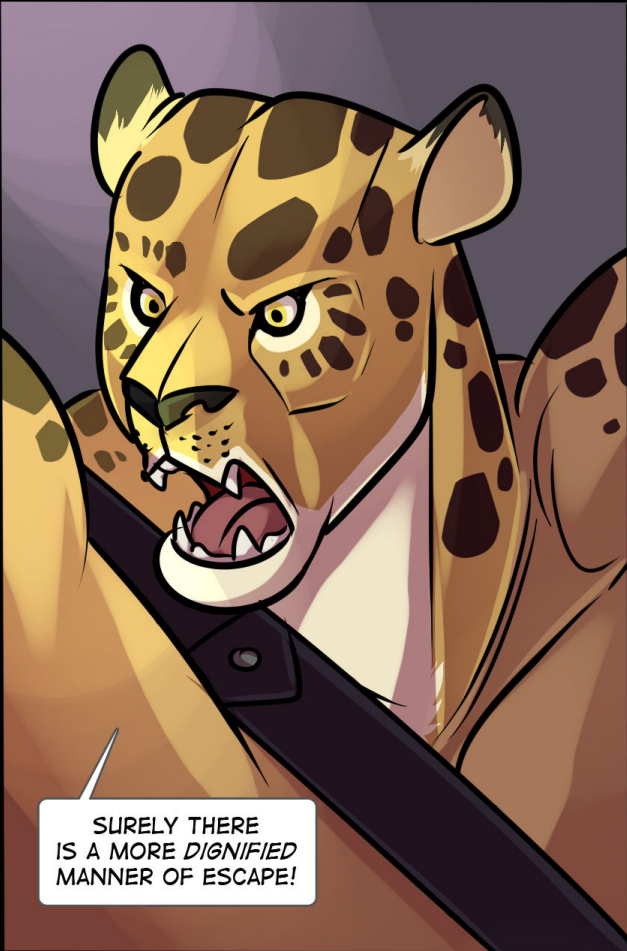
AAAAHH
AAAAHH



UNNHHH!!



SURELY
YOU *JEST*...







THEY SENSE
YOUR TENSION.
THE EASIEST WAY
TO FIX THAT...

ITH
DIFFF!

SHLURP

HOOO...
OOHHH!!





LEO!
UNGH...
THIS CAN'T
BE RIGHT!

RRRIIPPP!



SHHHH!

SHHHH!
SHHHH!

SHHHH!



GUH...



I CANNOT
BELIEVE THIS...
BUT I'M ACTUALLY
ENJOYING IT...

SUCH...
BLISS.





I ONCE POSSESSED AN EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF FLORA AT THE ROYAL COURTYARD.

THE TENTACLES WERE OF PERSONAL INTEREST, ONCE THEY GREW OUT OF HAND, I HAD THEM MOVED UNDERGROUND.



AND NOW THAT YOU'RE FREE OF YOUR BINDS...



IT IS A BLESSING THAT YOUR PAST TIME PROVED USEFUL.

WAIT, WHAT?



AND
EVERY
KING...



NEEDS
HIS QUEEN!

SNAP?





BOW BEFORE
YOUR KING!
BEND TO MY
WILL!

YOU'RE
INSANE!
LINHAND ME!



WHRRRR!!!



IT
COMES...



HERCULES
RUSH!!



THE GODS
HAVE GRANTED
ME FAVOR.

NEVER HAD
I EXPECT TO
FIND ANOTHER
SUCH AS
YOURSELF...

WHETHER
YOU SEE YOUR
CURRENT STATE
AS A GIFT OR
CURSE, THAT
IS ENTIRELY
UP TO YOU.

I DON'T HAVE
THE ANSWERS
YOU SEEK. IF IT'S
OF ANY CONSOLE,
WE ARE PROBABLY
THE ONLY TWO
OF OUR KIND.





YOUR
JOURNEY
HERE MAY NOT
BE ENTIRELY
IN VAIN...



IF YOU
SERVE ME,
THERE IS MUCH
MORE THAT I CAN
TEACH YOU...



WITH LEO'S GUIDANCE, GUIN EVENTUALLY BECAME RULER OF HIS OWN COUNTRY, THE KING OF CHEIRONIA.

THE TWO REMAINED IN CONTACT FOR YEARS.

A SECRET BOND BETWEEN A LION AND A LEOPARD.



same place tonight?
LEO

READY AS ALWAYS, MY LIEGE.

END

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