

THE COIN



a tg/tf story

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SOME WHERE IN CHINA---



SHIT I
KNEW I WAS
LOST...
WHATEVER WAS I
THINKING DOING A
THESIS ON OLD
ANCIENT CHINESE
TEMPLES

WELL AT
LEAST THIS
PART OF THE
VILLAGE IS A
TOURIST TRAP...
HAHA

DYLAN HEDGES 25
YEAR OLD HISTORY
STUDENT...

NOPE
CAN'T READ THIS
SHIT NO MATTER
WHAT WAY ROUND
I TURN IT!

HUFFFF





SORRY WAS YOU TALKING TO ME?

HUH GUESS YOU CAN TELL EH?

OHOO I GET IT A CHINESE PROVERB YEAH?

WOAH THIS OLD WOMAN IS GOOD AT FLEECING TOURISTS... *HAHA*

ERR HOW DID YOU?

I MUST'VE BEEN THINKING OUT LOUD...

YOU LOST YES?

SOMETIMES WHEN YOU GET LOST, YOU FIND YOURSELF!

YOU WANT FIND WAY TO TRIPITAKA'S TEMPLE YES?

GIVE COIN WILL TELL YOU!



COIN WILL SHOW
WAY... YES?

Shakke



A close-up shot of a hand dropping a gold coin into a dark metal bowl held by another hand. The background shows a stone wall and a wooden door. There are white flowers scattered on the ground.

VERY WELL IF IT HELPS ME TO FIND TRIPITAKA'S TEMPLE!

HUH... NEXT SHE'LL BE PUSHING A VISA MACHINE OUT IN FRONT OF ME!

IT'S ALL I HAVE UNTIL I FIND A CASH MACHINE LADY!

YOU GIVE BUT LITTLE WHEN YOU GIVE OF YOUR POSSESSIONS. IT IS WHEN YOU GIVE OF YOURSELF THAT YOU TRULY GIVE

IT IS ALL I REQUIRE!



HEY WHAT'S WITH THE SPECIAL EFFECTS LADY?

ERRR HOW YOU DOING THAT?

AS DYLAN BECAME
DISORIENTATED HE
FOUND EVERYTHING
AROUND HIM BEGIN TO
BLUR...

SHIT WHAT THE
FUCK?

HEY WHAT IN THE
FUCK?

WHERE DID MY
CLOTHES GO?

WHAAT THAT'S
SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

WHAT?

I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU
ARE LADY BUT WHATEVER
DRUG YOU'VE MANAGED TO
BLOW ON ME-

THIS HAS GOTTA BE
SOME DRUG SHE'S USED
ON ME?

SHÈNGNÁN
NEED NO
CLOTHING!

YOU ARE LEFT
OVER MAN
YES?

YOU NO MARRY
OR HAVE NO OTHER
NO?

NO DRUG ONLY
TRUTH!





WHAAA NOO I
CAME TO SEE
TRIPITAKA'S
TEMPLE?

WHAT THE
FUCK SHE
KNOWS MY
NAME?

LOOK I DON'T
KNOW HOW
YOU'RE DOING
THIS BUT-

WHAT ARE YOU
GOING ON ABOUT?

IF YOU WANT
HAPPINESS FOR AN
HOUR, TAKE A NAP. IF
YOU WANT HAPPINESS
FOR A DAY, GO FISHING.
IF YOU WANT
HAPPINESS FOR A
MONTH, GET
MARRIED.

YOU
TRAVEL ALONE
AND ARE SAD... I
SEE THIS IN YOUR
SPIRIT!

YOU CAME IN
SEARCH OF
YOURSELF
DYLAN!

HMMM THIS
ONE IS TRULY
LOST...

HERE DRINK!

YOU FOUND
WHAT YOU SEEK,
AND NOW YOU
FORGET WHY YOU
SEEK IT?

A TEMPLE DOES
NOT HAVE TO BE A
BUILDING!

HERE DRINK
DYLAN HEDGES
AND ALL WILL
BECOME WHAT YOU
DESIRE MOST!

WHAT ARE YOU
CRAZY... I NEED
TO-

PLEASE
WHATEVER YOU'VE
DONE TO ME I
WON'T?

WHAAA?

HUSH... JUST DRINK, THEN I CAN SEE ALL YOU DESIRE AND PLACE YOU ON A PATH THAT WILL BE YOUR DEEPEST DESIRE!

I DON'T-
IT TASTES....

IT IS THE LIFE ONCE PAST YOU TASTE... BUT IT WILL BE CLEAR SOON...

IT NO DRUG, IT IS AS YOU WOULD SAY MAGIC... AND YES I CAN HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS!

I'VE NO IDEA WHAT TRIP THIS OLD WOMAN HAS SENT ME ON, BUT MAN WHATEVER THE DRUG IS IT'S-

WHAT THE FU?

WHERE'S HER HAT GONE?

WHAT OHH ERR NO I DON'T HAVE ANYONE I DESIRE-

GLUGG

NOW LET ME SEE WHO YOU DESIRE TO BE!

YES YOU DO DYLAN... YOU LIKE ACTION LADY ON PICTURE BOX!

clap



A comic-style panel featuring a man and a woman. The man, on the left, has brown hair, a beard, and is wearing dark sunglasses. He is shirtless and holding a dark, shallow cup in his left hand. He is looking towards the woman. The woman, on the right, has long, dark, wavy hair and is wearing a white top with a red strap. She is looking at the man. The background is a plain, light color. The entire scene is framed by a green border.

I FINISHED CAN I ERR?

YOUR HAIR?

WHAT YOU MEAN YOU DISHED THAT OUT OF MY MIND?

WHAT NO I ERR?

YOU DO... MAN AM I ON SOME TRIP OR AM I NOT?

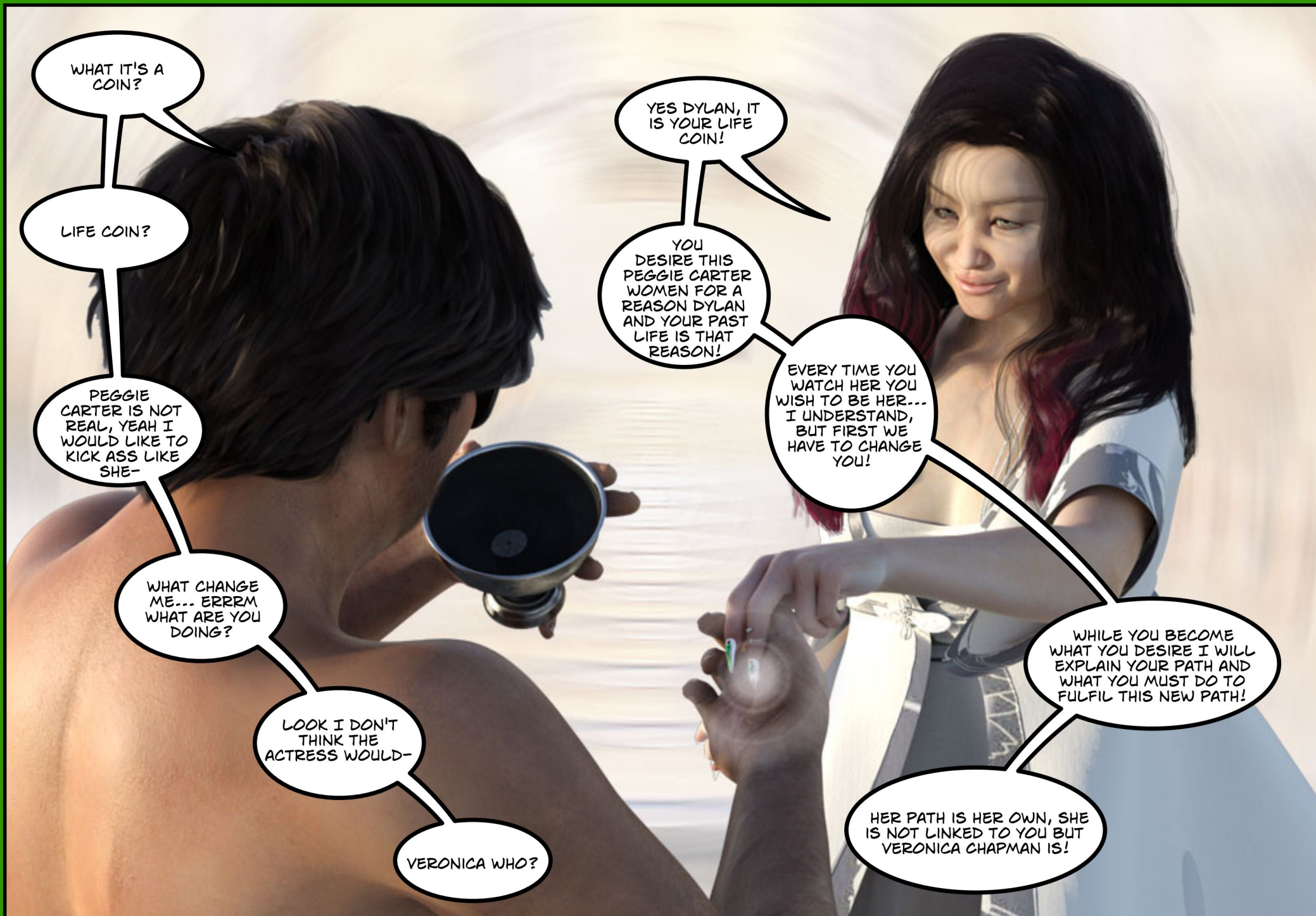
HMMM I CAN SEE PAST LIFE HAS LED YOU TO THIS DESIRE.... IT IS NATURAL, WE LIVE MANY PAST SOME GOOD SOME NOT SO GOOD!

YOU SAY I LOOK OLD, PERHAPS I LOOK BETTER... BUT TELL ME OF THIS PEGGIE?

YES DYLAN I DID, AND YOU DESIRE HER NOT PHYSICALLY EITHER!

YOU NEED NOT WORRY, MANY HAVE SAME DESIRE... BUT I SEE HOW YOU DESIRE SUCH FICTITIOUS FEMALE!

LOOK INTO CUP!



WHAT IT'S A COIN?

LIFE COIN?

PEGGIE CARTER IS NOT REAL, YEAH I WOULD LIKE TO KICK ASS LIKE SHE-

WHAT CHANGE ME... ERRRM WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

LOOK I DON'T THINK THE ACTRESS WOULD-

VERONICA WHO?

YES DYLAN, IT IS YOUR LIFE COIN!

YOU DESIRE THIS PEGGIE CARTER WOMEN FOR A REASON DYLAN AND YOUR PAST LIFE IS THAT REASON!

EVERY TIME YOU WATCH HER YOU WISH TO BE HER... I UNDERSTAND, BUT FIRST WE HAVE TO CHANGE YOU!

WHILE YOU BECOME WHAT YOU DESIRE I WILL EXPLAIN YOUR PATH AND WHAT YOU MUST DO TO FULFIL THIS NEW PATH!

HER PATH IS HER OWN, SHE IS NOT LINKED TO YOU BUT VERONICA CHAPMAN IS!



WHAAAA ARE YOU DOING TO ME?

I ERR DON'T UNDERSTAND... PLEASE I BEG YOU STOP!

I... ERR ALWAYS WANTED TO BE, BUT I COULD NOT?

FIRST I MUST LINK YOU TO THE COIN, THEN YOU WILL CONTINUE WHO SHE ONCE WAS!

WE ALL LIVE MANY LIVES DYLAN, YOUR UNHAPPINESS IN THIS LIFE IS LINKED TO A PAST LIFE!

FIRST I GIVE YOU WHAT YOU DESIRE MOST FROM YOUR LIFE AS DYLAN YES?

LET THE GLOW OF WOMANHOOD TAKE YOU DYLAN!

WHAAA NOOO
PLEASE I

THIS
CAN'T BE
HAPPENING IT
MUST BE A
DREAM... YES A
DREAM THAT'S
WHAT IT IS!

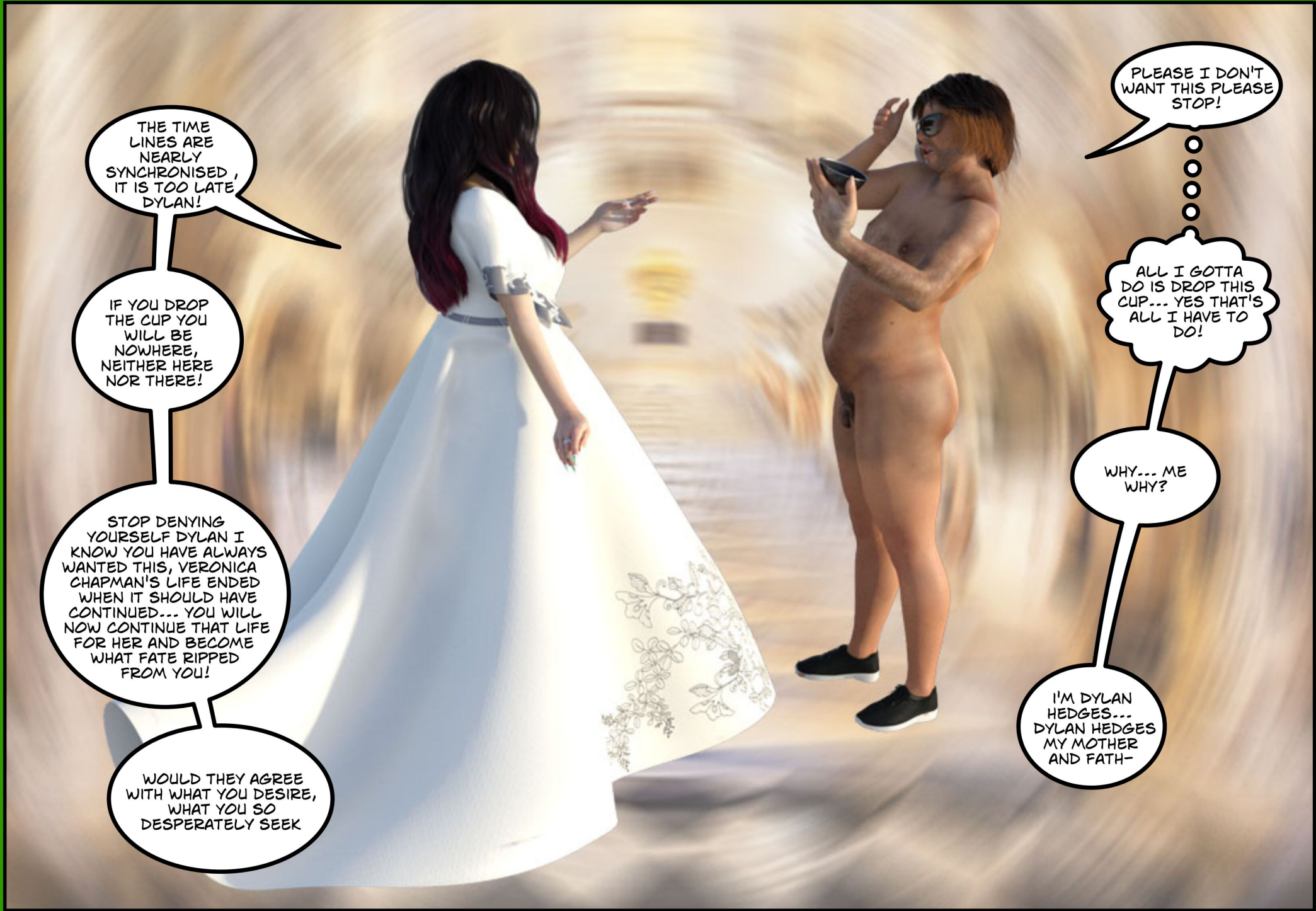
NNNN YESSS,
YES I DID, BUT
THEN I WAKE AND
NO IT IS NOT!

BUT WHAT
ABOUT MY
PARENTS NO I
CAN'T DO THIS!

AND WHEN
YOU'VE HAD
THOSE DREAMS,
YOU'VE WELCOMED
THEM AND WOKE
WISHING IT WAS
TRUE... YES?

DO NOT FEAR
THAT WHICH YOU
DO NOT KNOW
DYLAN...

Streamers



THE TIME LINES ARE NEARLY SYNCHRONISED, IT IS TOO LATE DYLAN!

IF YOU DROP THE CUP YOU WILL BE NOWHERE, NEITHER HERE NOR THERE!

STOP DENYING YOURSELF DYLAN I KNOW YOU HAVE ALWAYS WANTED THIS, VERONICA CHAPMAN'S LIFE ENDED WHEN IT SHOULD HAVE CONTINUED... YOU WILL NOW CONTINUE THAT LIFE FOR HER AND BECOME WHAT FATE RIPPED FROM YOU!

WOULD THEY AGREE WITH WHAT YOU DESIRE, WHAT YOU SO DESPERATELY SEEK

PLEASE I DON'T WANT THIS PLEASE STOP!

ALL I GOTTA DO IS DROP THIS CUP... YES THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO DO!

WHY... ME WHY?

I'M DYLAN HEDGES... DYLAN HEDGES MY MOTHER AND FATH-



HOW MANY YOUNG LADIES HAVE YOU SEEN AND WISHED TO BE.. MRS ROOS YOUR ENGLISH TEACHER?

SHE WAS BEAUTIFUL AND... AND YES I DREAMED OF BEING HER...

MY GOD MY HAIR IS GETTING LONGER, MY SKIN?

I WAS ONCE THIS VERONICA IN A FORMER LIFE?

WAKING UP IN HER BODY DYLAN, DO NOT LIE TO YOURSELF!

THAT'S IT DON'T FIGHT IT, YOUR LIFE IS WASTED AS DYLAN, BUT AS VERONICA, YOU CAN NOW LIVE THE LIFE YOU WAS DENIED ALL THOSE YEARS AGO!

YES YOU WAS... NOW TAKE COIN!

YOU MUST
KEEP COIN
SAFE... NEVER
LOOSE COIN!

IT IS WHAT
LINKS YOU TO
HERE...

YES DYLAN HEDGES,
ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS
FIND TRIPITAKA'S
TEMPLE AGAIN!

WHAAA DO I DO
WITH IT NOW?

WHAA WHY?

YOU MEAN I CAN
COME BACK?

YOU MEAN YOU?

KEEP COIN
SAFE, LOSE COIN
AND LIFE TRAIL
WILL CEASE TO
EXIST!

YOUR BONE
AND INTERNAL IS
SHIFTING...
WOMANHOOD
APPROACH DYLAN...
WHAT YOU DESIRE...
BE LIKE PEGGIE
CARTER YOU
CAN!

CUP NOT
NEEDED YOU
HAVE COIN!

AARGHHHHH
FUCKKKKK?

WHHHY
DOES IT AAAAGH
HURT... IS IT
SUPPOSED-

FUCKKKK IT
HURTS SOOO
MUCH!!!!

I DROPPED
CUPAGGHHHH!

A close-up illustration of a hand with red-painted fingernails holding a dark, circular coin. The hand is positioned over a scroll with intricate line art depicting a landscape with trees and a figure. The background is dark and blurred. Two speech bubbles are present: one on the left and one on the right.

YES YOU
ARE COIN
ABSORB LAST
OF WHAT WAS
DYLAN... SOON
HAVE WOMB SOON
WILL BECOME
FEMALE!

OHH MY
GOD I AM
ACTUALLY
BECOMING A
WOMAN?

PLEASE YOU SAID I COULD COME BACK... HOW?

OKAY... *GROAN* WHO IS SHE?

OHHH SHEEET FUCKK THIS HURTS!

krakkk

WELL WHO IS SHE?

WHAT KIND OF LAME ASSED REPLY IS-

FUCKKKK AAARGHHHH

rumble

YOU NO NEED GLASSES, VERONICA HAS GOOD EYESIGHT!

AT LAST YOU ASK RIGHT QUESTION!

SHE IS YOU AND SOON YOU WILL BE HER!



SOON WOMAN
YOU WILL BE,
PAIN IS BEING A
WOMAN!

AHH SEE YOUR
VOICE IS NOW
HARMONISING!

YOU WILL
SPEAK JUST AS
VERONICA DID,
YOUR VOICE IS
NOW HERS!

OWWW
PLEEEZZ IT
HURTS!

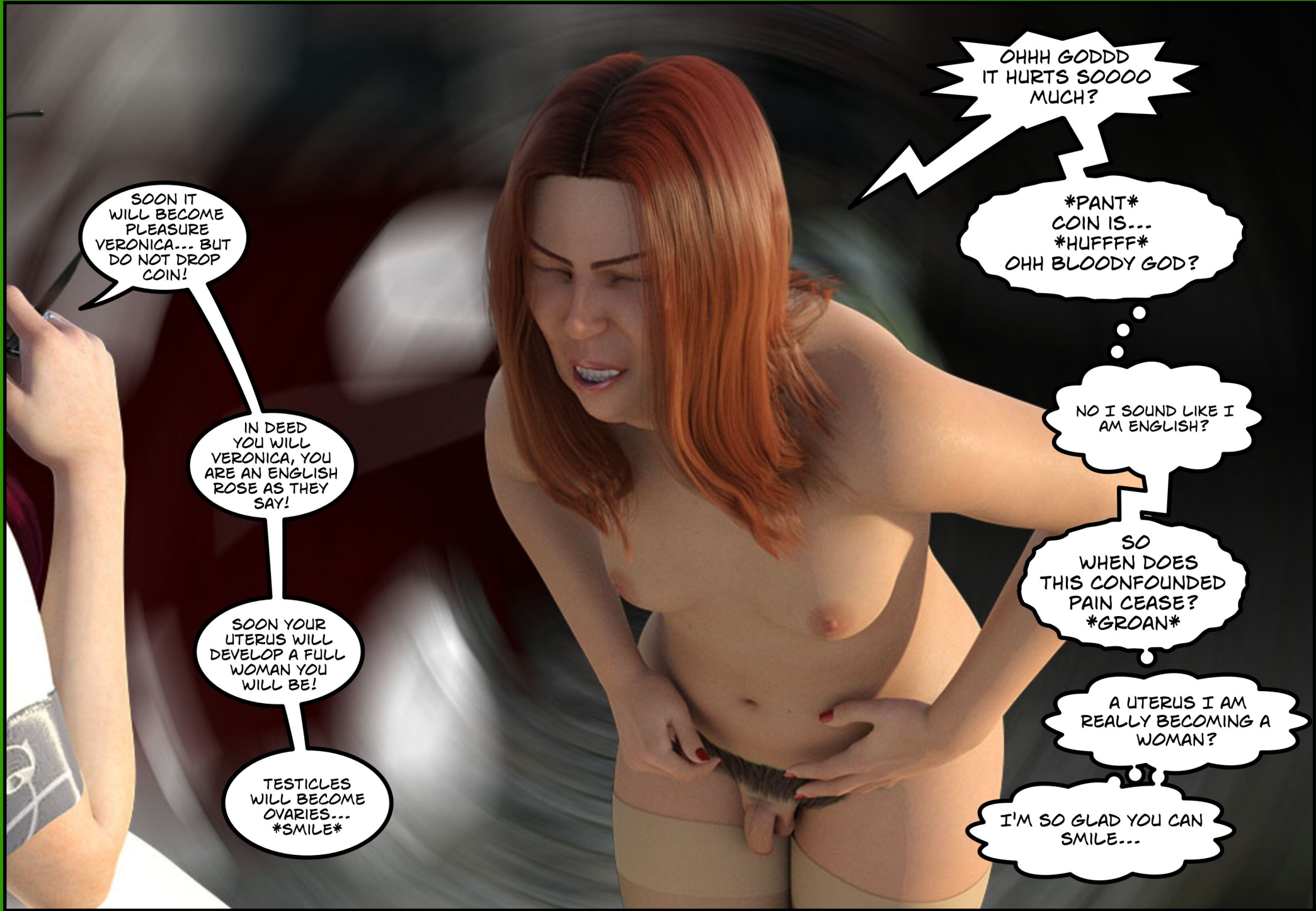
PLEEEZZ I
BEG Y...

CROAK

I... ERR M...?

OHHH
GODDD IT
HURTS?

WHAAA MY
VOICE?



SOON IT
WILL BECOME
PLEASURE
VERONICA... BUT
DO NOT DROP
COIN!

IN DEED
YOU WILL
VERONICA, YOU
ARE AN ENGLISH
ROSE AS THEY
SAY!

SOON YOUR
UTERUS WILL
DEVELOP A FULL
WOMAN YOU
WILL BE!

TESTICLES
WILL BECOME
OVARIES...
SMILE

OHHH GODDD
IT HURTS SOOOO
MUCH?

PANT
COIN IS...
HUFFFF
OHH BLOODY GOD?

NO I SOUND LIKE I
AM ENGLISH?

SO
WHEN DOES
THIS CONFOUNDED
PAIN CEASE?
GROAN

A UTERUS I AM
REALLY BECOMING A
WOMAN?

I'M SO GLAD YOU CAN
SMILE...



I CAN FEEL
MY BALLS
SHRINKING!



AAARGHHH
IT BLOODY
WELL HURTS!

MY VOICE
SOUNDS SO
STRANGE?



NOT FAR NOW
VERONICA!

YOU HAD
WONDERFUL
BODY!

WHEN CAN
I EXPECT IT TO
END?

PHEWWWWFF
PANT

THAT IS ALL
RIGHT FOR YOU TO
SAY
GROAN

IF YOU DON'T MIND,
I WILL BE THE JUDGE
OF THAT!

I CANNOT BELIEVE
THIS VOICE IS MINE, I
SPEAK SUCH PERFECT
ENGLISH?



ANGGGG OH
DEAR LORD!

Scluur



SUCH LOVELY
BREASTS
VERONICA!

ARE
THESE....



AND NOW YOU KNOW!

OH MY LORD I HAVE REAL BREASTS?

GOSH I ALWAYS WONDERED WHAT IT WOULD FEEL LIKE TO HAVE THEM?

Schuumm



OHHH
GOOD LORD
WHAT PAIN?

twereast

scuuuummm



THIS
IS AWFULLY
PAINFUL...
SIGH

Scriuuuuuuuu



OHhhh
MY
GOODNESS I
FEEL REALLY
STRANGE?

KRRRIKKK

KRRRIKKK

Schuuuuuummmmm

QUIVERRRR

OHHH MY
GODDDDD
YESSSSSSSS!

scluuuuuuurrrrrrrshhhppp!



OPEN YOUR EYES
VERONICA!

OHHH GOOD
LORD THAT WAS
WONDERFUL?

SHOULD IT
FEEL
WONDERFUL?



IT'S
TRIPITAKA
VERONICA!

THE
FEELING OF
WOMANHOOD IS
A MIRACLE IS
IT NOT?

YOU ARE
INDEED
VERONICA
CHAPMAN!

OHHH
WOW LADY,
THAT FELT SO...
UHMMM
MMMM!

YES YES OF
COURSE,
TRIPITAKA, SO
SORRY!

YES YOU'RE
SO RIGHT... SO
SEREEN!

OHHH
GOD AM I
REALLY A
WOMAN
NOW?



GOSH IF ONLY YOU COULD BOTTLE UP HOW I FEEL AND SELL IT... GOSH?

UHMM OKAY I'M LISTENING?

YES YOU MENTIONED THIS EARLIER!

YES I UNDERSTAND, BUT HOW DO I RETURN?

NOW LISTEN CAREFULLY VERONICA...

DO NOT LOSE COIN... IF LOSE COIN, RETURN WILL BE NO MORE!

YOU ARE REAL WOMAN NOW... REAL WOMAN PROBLEMS!

YOU SEEK OUT TRIPITAKA AND RETURN COIN... NO COIN NO RETURN!



SO ALL I DO IS
GIVE YOU THIS
BACK?

WILL YOU BE
WHERE I FOUND
YOU TODAY?

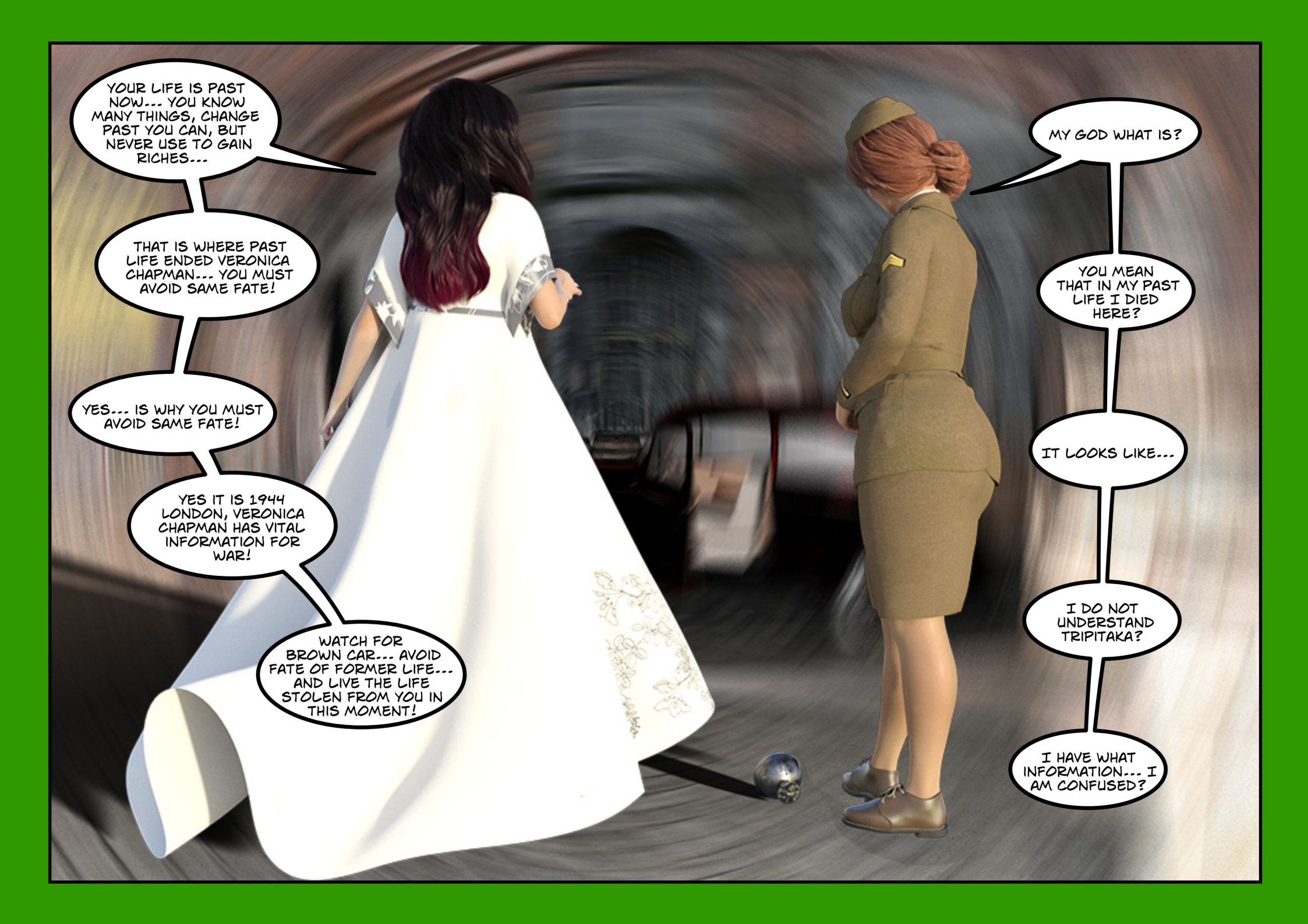
WAIT...
WHAT IS THAT
SUPPOSED TO
MEAN?

WHAT I HAVE
ALREADY
LEARN'T?

YES NOW GO
LIVE VERONICA
CHAPMAN'S LIFE!

TRIPITAKA IS
WHERE
TRIPITAKA IS...
BUT ONE LAST
THING
VERONICA...

USE WHAT
YOU'VE ALREADY
LEARN'T WISELY
VERONICA
CHAPMAN



YOUR LIFE IS PAST NOW... YOU KNOW MANY THINGS, CHANGE PAST YOU CAN, BUT NEVER USE TO GAIN RICHES...

THAT IS WHERE PAST LIFE ENDED VERONICA CHAPMAN... YOU MUST AVOID SAME FATE!

YES... IS WHY YOU MUST AVOID SAME FATE!

YES IT IS 1944 LONDON, VERONICA CHAPMAN HAS VITAL INFORMATION FOR WAR!

WATCH FOR BROWN CAR... AVOID FATE OF FORMER LIFE... AND LIVE THE LIFE STOLEN FROM YOU IN THIS MOMENT!

MY GOD WHAT IS?

YOU MEAN THAT IN MY PAST LIFE I DIED HERE?

IT LOOKS LIKE...

I DO NOT UNDERSTAND TRIPITAKA?

I HAVE WHAT INFORMATION... I AM CONFUSED?

USE
WHAT YOU
LEARNT BUT
NEVER PROFIT
VERONICA
CHAPMAN!


WAIT PLEASE
YOU CAN'T LEAVE
ME HERE I...

GULP

WHAT IN THE?

VERONICA COME
ON YOU'LL BE
LATE!





VERONICA
CHAPMAN THE WAR
OFFICE WILL NOT
WAIT FOR YOU!

OH MY GOOD
LORD I... I'M
REALLY IN 1944
AND I'M A
WOMAN?

I'M A WOMAN?

NO ITS GOT TO BE
SOME DREAM, THIS IS
IMPOSSIBLE I AM DYLAN
HEDGES I AM A 25 YEAR OLD
LOSER, WHO ONLY DREAMT
OF BECOMING A WOMAN!

WELL THAT WOMAN
SEEMS REAL
ENOUGH...
HOLY JESUS I MUST
BE DREAMING?

HOW IS THIS
POSSIBLE?



WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT THIS DAME ANYHOWS?

SHE'S ONE OF THOSE SSO OFFICERS!

CAN'T BELIEVE WE'VE GOTTA GET DRENCHED FOR SOME TOFFE NOSED DOLL?

SHE'S GOT SOME IMPORTANT INFORMATION, FROM WHAT HQ TELLS ME!

WEL I HOPE SHE HURRIES UP I'M GETTIN BLOODY SOAKED!

CHALLENGE HOUDINI

THEATRE SECOND HOUSE FRIDAY JAN 22ND

FREE CONCERT MARCH 26TH

REWARD LOST

VACCINATION SMALLPOX PARISH OF LIVERPOOL SEE YOUR LOCAL PARISH NOW

MORRELL'S

PND 4957



WHAT ARE YOU DOING VERONICA COME ON!

HONESTLY YOU MAYBE MR CHURCHILL'S FAVOURITE, BUT TO ME YOU ARE SO INFURIATING IT MAKES MY HEAD ACHE?

OHH AND DON'T TELL ME YOU WAS ONLY VISITING MR WEBB FOR MEDICINAL PURPOSES!

I'VE GOT A BIG BUM?

I REALLY AM A WOMAN?



AND THIS COIN IS MY ONLY WAY BACK... BUT IF THIS IS 1944, CHINA IS UNDER JAPANESE CONTROL AND THEN THEY'VE GOT A REVOLUTION TO GO THROUGH?

ALL I GOTTA DO IS FIND TRIPITAKA, BUT HOW AM I GOING TO DO?

I'VE GOT TO WAIT A LONG FRIGGIN TIME TO EVEN BE ABLE TO GO TO THAT VILLAGE IN CHINA

OHHH FIDDLESTICKS!



VERONICA
PLEASE?

ERRR
YEAH I'LL BE
THERE IN A
MOMENT!

I AM STUCK
HERE... I'M A
GIRL AND I AM
IN THE ARMY...
SIGH

A woman in a grey military uniform and cap stands in the rain next to a vintage car. She is holding a rifle. The scene is set at night with rain falling heavily. In the background, a sign on a brick wall reads "VACCINATION SMALL POX SEE YOUR LOCAL PARISH NO".

THIS IS THE
LAST TIME I
DRIVE YOU
ANYWHERE
VERONICA
CHAPMAN....!

NOW GET IN THE
OTHER SIDE!

The end, but the beginning for Veronica...