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WHEN **MATT MURDOCK** WAS A KID, HE LOST HIS SIGHT IN AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING RADIOACTIVE CHEMICALS. THOUGH HE COULD NO LONGER SEE, THE CHEMICALS HEIGHTENED MURDOCK'S OTHER SENSES AND IMBUED HIM WITH AN AMAZING 360-DEGREE RADAR SENSE.

AFTER A BATTLE AGAINST **THE HAND**, MATT'S SOUL WAS FRACTURED, INFECTED BY THE SEVEN DEADLY SINS AND POSSESSED THOSE CLOSEST TO HIM, INCLUDING HIS FORMER LEGAL PARTNER, **FOGGY NELSON**. POSSESSED BY **PRIDE**, FOGGY TOOK MATT TO COURT TO SHUT DOWN **SAINT NICHOLAS'**, THE CHURCH AND YOUTH HOME WHERE MATT HAS BEEN WORKING.

FUELED BY HIS OWN SELF-LOATHING AND CRISIS OF FAITH FOLLOWING THE DISAPPEARANCE OF **JASON**, ONE OF THE WARDS OF ST. NICK'S, MATT CONCEDED THE CASE. FRUSTRATED BY MATT'S REFUSAL TO LITIGATE, **PRIDE** EXORCISED ITSELF WITH THE PROMISE OF RETRIBUTION IN THE FORM OF ITS BROTHER **WRATH**.

FREED FROM **PRIDE**, FOGGY REVEALED THE WHEREABOUTS OF **JASON**--WHO HAS BEEN POSSESSED BY THE FINAL DEVIL: **WRATH!**

# DAREDEVIL

## "INTRODUCTORY RITES"

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WELL,  
WHAT WILL IT BE,  
DAREDEVIL?!

WHO  
LIVES, AND WHO  
DIES?

FORTY STORIES ABOVE  
MANHATTAN, THE DEVIL  
WRATH, A MONSTER  
BORN OF MY RAGE, HAS  
POSSESSED A CHILD  
I WAS SUPPOSED  
TO PROTECT.


WRATH HAS ABDUCTED  
MY BEST FRIEND FOGGY  
NELSON AND BULLSEYE,  
MY WORST ENEMY.

IT WANTS ME TO  
CHOOSE ONE OF  
THEM TO SACRIFICE.












THE THINKING PART OF ME  
KNOWS I CAN'T DEFEAT WRATH  
WITH VIOLENCE AND ANGER.



IT KNOWS MY ONLY CHANCE  
HERE IS TO DENY THE DEVIL'S  
POWER BY CHOOSING PEACE  
OVER MY OWN FURY.



BUT THE PART OF  
ME THAT FEELS  
DOESN'T CARE.



MY FATHER'S DEATH.  
CHILDHOOD IN HELL'S  
KITCHEN. THE ENDLESS  
PARADE OF PEOPLE  
WHO'VE TRIED TO  
KILL ME.

ONE THING'S  
KEPT ME GOING  
THROUGH ALL  
OF IT--



--MY  
ANGER.







NOW YOU UNDERSTAND.



YOU'LL NEVER BE RID OF ME.

UHH!



BECAUSE YOU NEED ME.



WRATH HAS KEPT YOU ALIVE YEAR AFTER YEAR.



KEPT YOU SAFE FROM THREAT AFTER THREAT.



BUT I REQUIRE SACRIFICE.



AND YOU MUST CHOOSE.













CHOOSE.




MY BEST FRIEND  
AND MY WORST  
ENEMY PLUMMET  
TOWARD THEIR  
DEATHS.

THERE'S NO TIME  
FOR CLEVER PLANS  
OR NOBLE SPEECHES.





A full-page comic book illustration of Daredevil. He is shown from the chest up, swinging on his signature red and yellow ropes. He is wearing his iconic red mask and suit, with a determined and slightly pained expression on his face. The background is a vibrant red with a halftone dot pattern and swirling white lines that suggest motion. In the center, there is a vertical strip of green, textured ground. Two other figures, also in red and yellow suits, are seen falling away from him in the background, one towards the bottom left and one towards the middle right.

IF I WAS TRULY  
A MAN OF GOD,  
I WOULD AGONIZE  
OVER MY DECISION.

BUT I'VE  
NEVER FELT  
MORE LIKE  
A DEVIL.



I THROW  
BULLSEYE A  
LIFELINE WHILE  
CATCHING  
FOGGY.

BUT IT  
DOESN'T  
MATTER.

NOOO!

I MADE MY  
CHOICE...





...AND NOW I  
HAVE TO LIVE  
WITH IT.







AND JUST LIKE  
THAT, THE DEVIL  
WRATH IS GONE.



I CAN FEEL IN MY SOUL  
THAT IT HASN'T JUST  
TELEPORTED AWAY. IT'S  
RETURNED TO HELL.

BUT WRATH  
WASN'T DRIVEN  
BACK BY THE  
WORD OF GOD.



IT WENT HOME  
BECAUSE IT  
DID ITS JOB.



IT DIDN'T DRAG  
ME BACK TO HELL  
BECAUSE IT  
DOESN'T NEED TO.



IT'S ALREADY  
PROVEN WHAT  
I AM.





MATT, YOU  
SAVED MY LIFE  
AT THE COST  
OF ANOTHER  
MAN'S.



**THE  
FOLLOWING  
MONDAY...**



FOGGY,  
BULLSEYE  
WAS--

I KNOW!

I KNOW  
HE WAS A  
BAD PERSON, AS  
BAD AS THEY  
COME.



BUT THAT  
DOESN'T MATTER!  
I'M ALIVE BECAUSE  
HE'S DEAD.

THE...THE  
SOUND HIS BODY  
MADE WHEN IT  
HIT, MATT...

I'M SORRY,  
FOGGY. REALLY  
SORRY.

THE LAST  
THING I WANTED  
WAS TO PUT MORE  
WEIGHT ON YOUR  
SHOULDERS.



I KNOW.

I ALSO  
KNOW IF YOU  
HAD IT TO DO  
IT OVER, YOU'D  
DO THE EXACT  
SAME THING.

TAKE CARE  
OF YOURSELF,  
OKAY?



THREE DAYS LATER...



ELEKTRA!  
THANK  
GOD!



YOU DON'T  
KNOW HOW HAPPY  
I AM THAT YOU  
REACHED OUT.

THERE'S SO  
MUCH I NEED TO  
TELL YOU. SO MUCH I  
GOT WRONG THAT  
I NEED TO--



MATTHEW,  
I'M SORRY,  
BUT I...I CAN'T  
DO THIS. NOT  
NOW.

I CAME  
HERE TO FILL YOU  
IN ON WHAT LITTLE  
I'VE LEARNED  
ABOUT THE  
KINGPIN.



I...  
OH, OH,  
S-SURE.

SORRY.



WHERE IS  
FICK NOW?

THAT'S WHAT'S  
BOTHERING ME,  
I DON'T KNOW. AND  
I KNOW HOW TO  
LOCATE PEOPLE,  
MATTHEW.

DON'T  
WORRY, WE'LL FIND  
HIM. WE JUST  
NEED TO--



I'LL FIND  
HIM, MATTHEW.  
NOT WE.





THESE PAST MONTHS...THINGS CAN'T JUST GO BACK TO THE WAY THEY WERE. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT, RIGHT?

MY BRAIN DOES. MY HEART THOUGH...



I'M SORRY. I'M...I'M BEING SELFISH.

I... I GUESS SOME SPACE BETWEEN US MAKES SENSE.



ELEKTRA... I HAVE NO RIGHT TO ASK THIS, BUT I NEED TO ASK ANYWAY. THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT YOU'VE BEEN PROVIDING ST. NICK'S WITH...

I'M PREPARED TO CONTINUE PROVIDING IT. BUT THAT IS...NOT CURRENTLY NECESSARY.



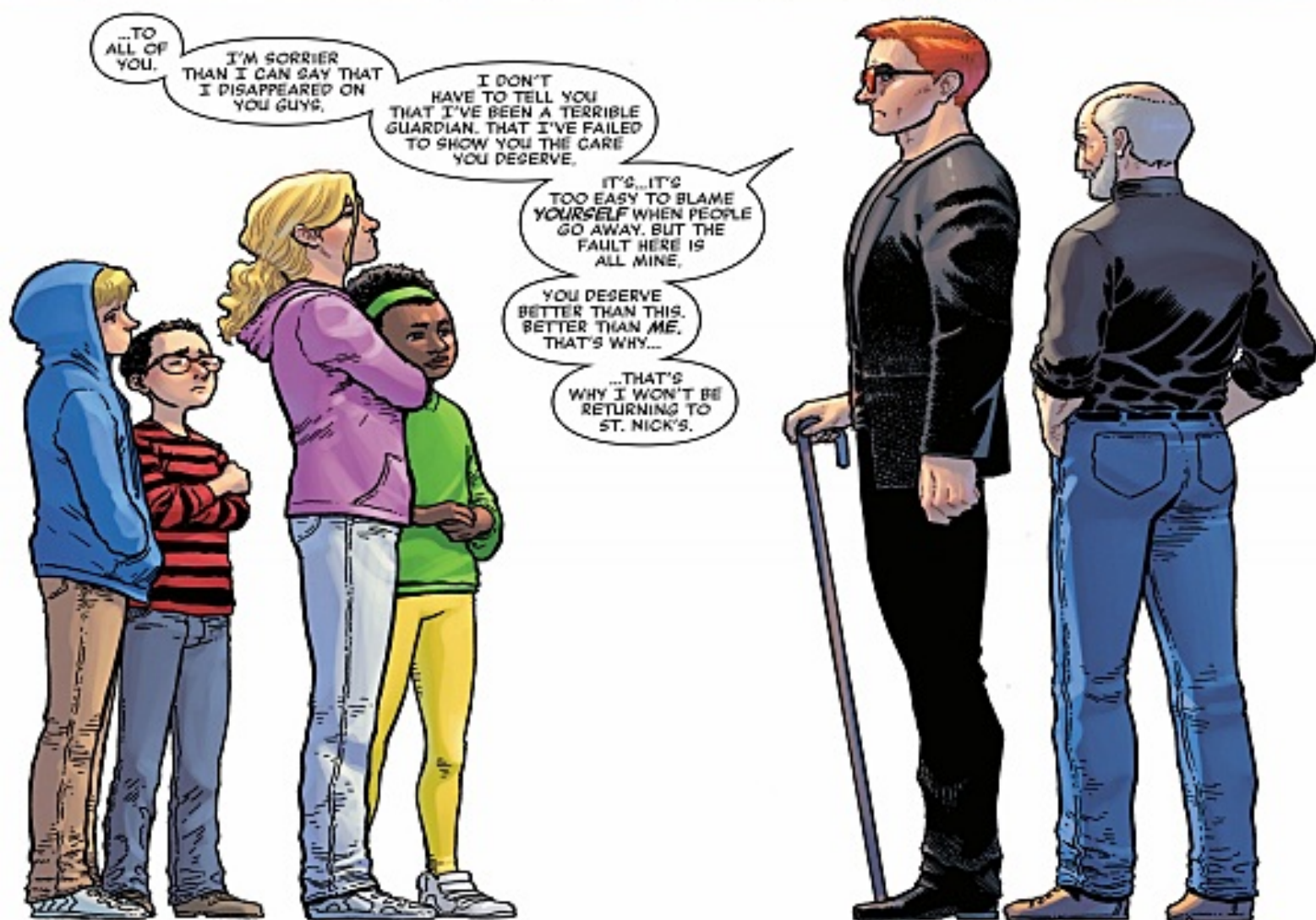
WHY NOT?

BECAUSE WILSON FISK LIQUIDATED ALL OF HIS ASSETS AND DONATED THE PROCEEDS TO CHARITY BEFORE HE VANISHED INTO THIN AIR...



...WITH THE LARGEST SUM GOING TO ST. NICHOLAS' YOUTH HOME.









I SAY MORE  
CAREFULLY CHOSEN  
WORDS, BUT THEY  
DON'T MATTER.

I'VE BROKEN  
SOMETHING  
HERE.

AND TALK  
ISN'T GOING  
TO FIX IT.

AS THE KIDS QUITE  
UNDERSTANDABLY  
GIVE ME THE SILENT  
TREATMENT, JAMES'S  
ECHOES IN MY HEAD.



MY BRETHREN,  
NOT MANY OF YOU  
SHOULD BECOME  
TEACHERS...




...FOR YOU KNOW THAT  
WE WILL FACE A MORE  
SEVERE JUDGMENT.



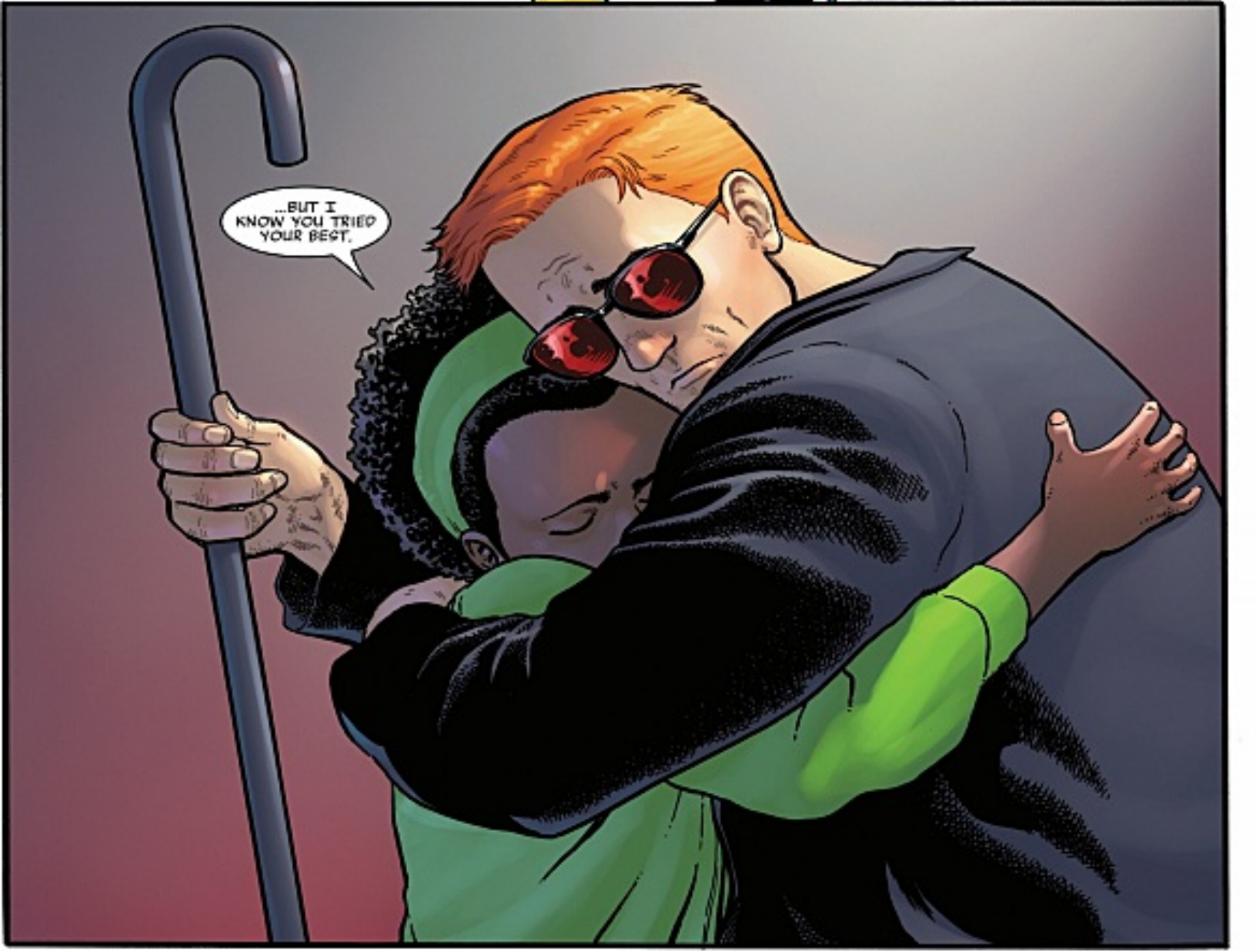


WAIT/  
FATHER  
MATT?




YOU REMEMBER  
WHEN WE MESSED  
SOMETHING UP, YOU USED  
TO SAY, "IF YOU TRIED  
YOUR BEST, YOU  
DIDN'T FAIL"?

WELL,  
YOU MESSED  
UP PRETTY  
BAD...



...BUT I  
KNOW YOU TRIED  
YOUR BEST.





CHLOE'S WORDS  
ARE A LITTLE  
BUOY THAT KEEPS  
ME AFLOAT.

AND AS I WALK AWAY  
FROM ST. NICK'S FEELING  
LIKE THE WORLD'S WORST  
SCREWUP, THEY HELP  
ME REMEMBER JAMES 3,  
WHICH TELLS US HUMAN  
BEINGS WILL ALWAYS  
SCREW UP.

FOR ALL OF US  
FALL SHORT IN  
MANY WAYS.

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