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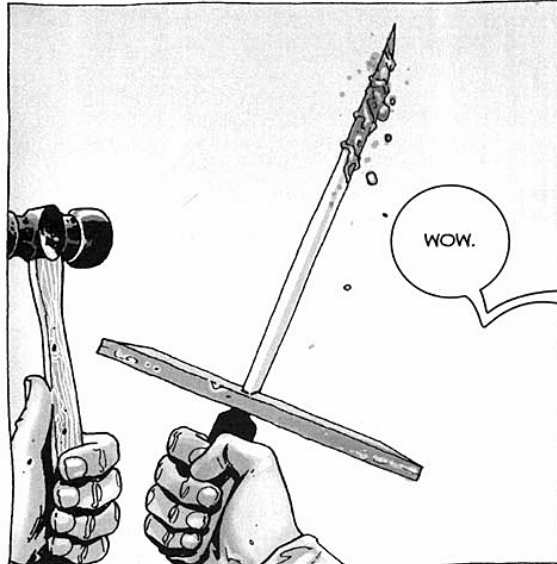
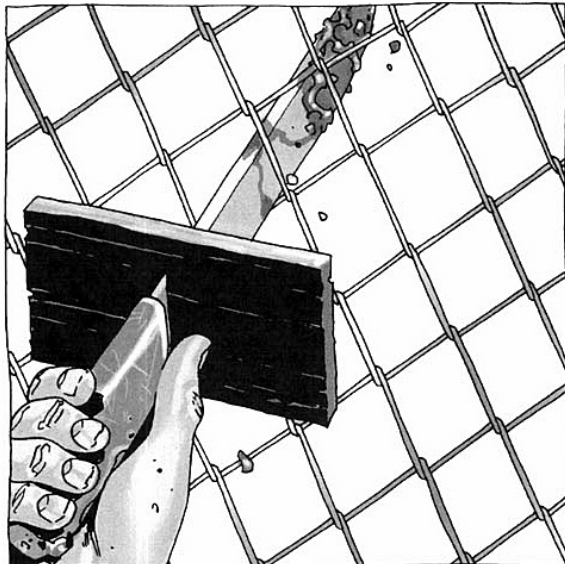
















IT WORKED--  
IT **REALLY**  
WORKED. I  
CAN'T BELIEVE  
IT.

TOO  
COOL.

GLENN.



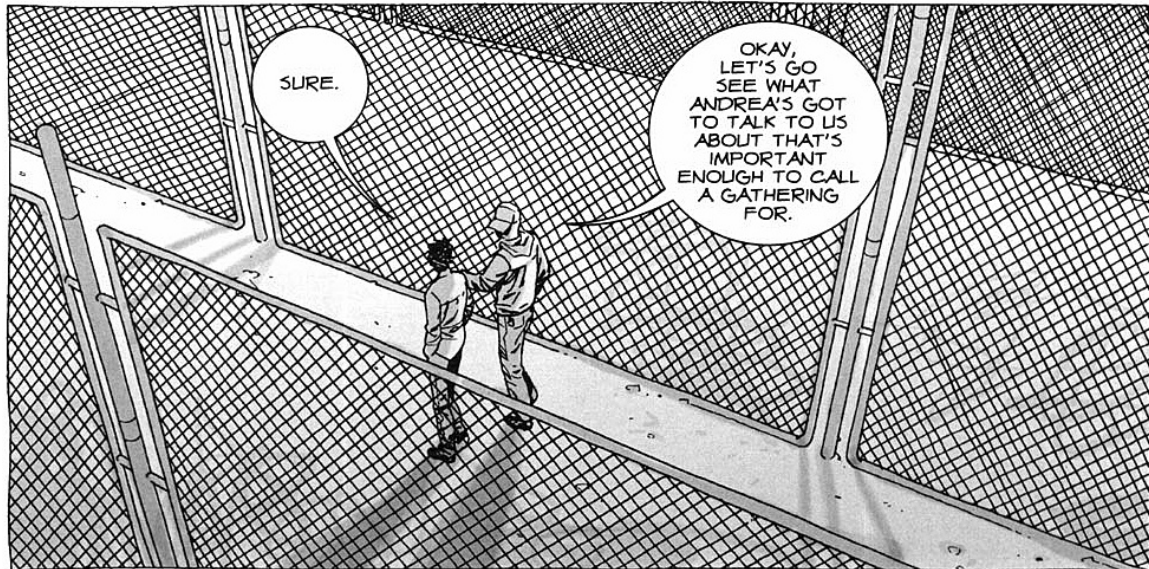
OH, HEY  
MAGGIE.  
WHAT'S  
UP?

I WAS KINDA WANTING  
TO TALK TO YOU--WE  
HADN'T REALLY HAD A  
CHANCE TO DO THAT  
SINCE, WELL--SINCE  
I SHOT  
THOMAS.

YOU  
UP FOR  
THAT?

TOTALLY--  
OF  
COURSE.

BUT, UH, IT  
LOOKS LIKE IT'S  
ABOUT **THREE**  
AND ANDREA  
WANTED TO MEET  
EVERYONE IN THE  
CAFETERIA FOR  
SOMETHING. CAN  
IT WAIT UNTIL  
AFTER  
THAT?



SURE.

OKAY,  
LET'S GO  
SEE WHAT  
ANDREA'S GOT  
TO TALK TO US  
ABOUT THAT'S  
IMPORTANT  
ENOUGH TO CALL  
A GATHERING  
FOR.





LORI COMING?

NO, SHE'S NOT FEELING WELL TODAY. I THINK THE MORNING SICKNESS HAS BECOME ALL DAY SICKNESS. SHE'S DOING FINE OTHERWISE, SHE JUST DIDN'T FEEL LIKE BEING AROUND EVERYONE WHILE SHE FELT SO ROTTEN.

I'LL BE GIVING HER A FULL REPORT.



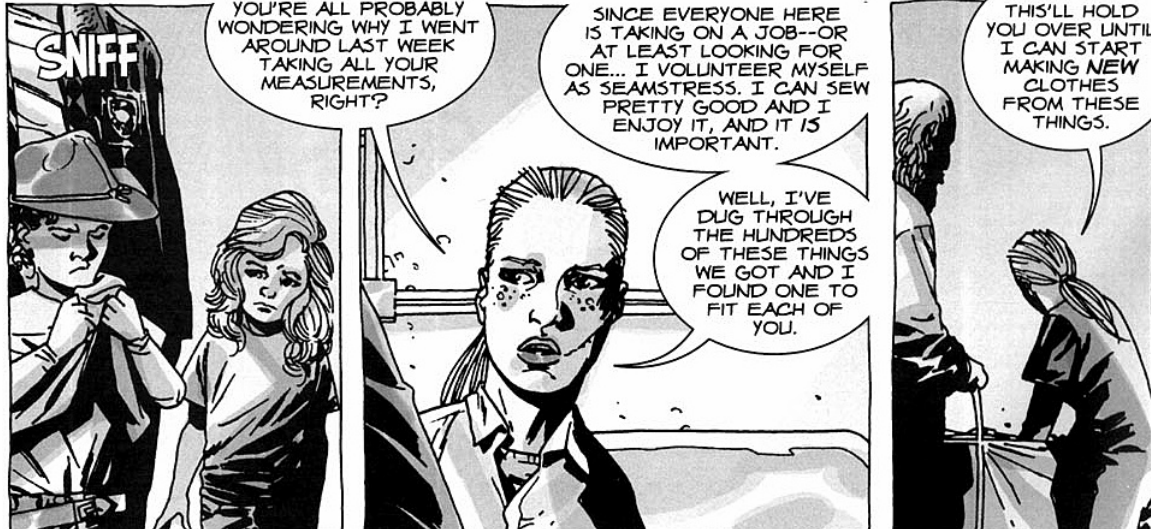
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING. WE HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE GETTING THE CART UP THE STAIRS. I'LL TRY TO MAKE THIS WORTH THE WAIT.

AS YOU'LL NOTICE, I'VE DITCHED MY REGULAR CLOTHES IN FAVOR OF THE ORANGE JUMPSUIT THAT MAKES AXEL LOOK SO FRIENDLY.

BUT Y'KNOW--NO PROMISES.

AS YOU ALL KNOW, WE NEVER HIT A CLOTHING STORE DURING OUR LONG TREK TO THIS PLACE, AND WHILE MOST OF YOUR CLOTHES ARE HOLDING UP NICELY--WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO COME UP WITH SOME ALTERNATIVES SOON.

LET'S FACE IT, SOME OF YOU ARE STARTING TO STINK EVEN AFTER THE CLOTHES HAVE BEEN WASHED. THESE GARMENTS HAVE BEEN THROUGH A LOT.



YOU'RE ALL PROBABLY WONDERING WHY I WENT AROUND LAST WEEK TAKING ALL YOUR MEASUREMENTS, RIGHT?

SINCE EVERYONE HERE IS TAKING ON A JOB--OR AT LEAST LOOKING FOR ONE... I VOLUNTEER MYSELF AS SEAMSTRESS. I CAN SEW PRETTY GOOD AND I ENJOY IT, AND IT IS IMPORTANT.

WELL, I'VE DUG THROUGH THE HUNDREDS OF THESE THINGS WE GOT AND I FOUND ONE TO FIT EACH OF YOU.

THIS'LL HOLD YOU OVER UNTIL I CAN START MAKING NEW CLOTHES FROM THESE THINGS.

SNIFF







YOUR NAMES ARE ON THE TAGS. PASS THEM AROUND AND LET ME KNOW IF THEY DON'T FIT RIGHT.



I'LL BE MAKING SHORTS FOR THE WARMER WEATHER THAT'S COMING-- AND OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS I'M GOING TO TRY TO MAKE SOME WARM COATS USING THE PILLOWS AS STUFFING.



I HOPE YOU LIKE ORANGE AND WHITE BECAUSE ALL I HAVE TO MAKE CLOTHES WITH ARE SHEETS AND THE JUMPSUITS THEMSELVES.



IF ANY OF YOU HERE ACTUALLY KNOW HOW TO SEW, PLEASE LET ME KNOW. WITH AS MANY OF US HERE AND NO SEWING MACHINE I KNOW I'M GOING TO NEED ALL THE HELP I CAN GET.

OH, AND IF YOU'VE GOT ANY REQUESTS FOR STUFF, LET ME KNOW, I'LL DO WHAT I CAN.

ONCE YOU'VE GOT A JUMPSUIT YOU CAN GO, THAT'S REALLY ALL I WANTED TO SAY. BUT PLEASE, TELL ME IF THESE DON'T FIT, WE'VE GOT HUNDREDS OF THESE THINGS. DON'T HESITATE TO ASK FOR MORE, TOO--THERE'S PLENTY TO GO AROUND.







LORI--  
ARE YOU  
FEELING  
BETTER?

NO.



I DON'T KNOW  
HOW I CAN. I  
CAN'T GET IT  
OUT OF MY HEAD,  
RICK, I CAN'T STOP  
DWELLING ON IT.  
THOSE MONSTERS  
OUTSIDE ARE  
ONE THING BUT  
ANY OF THE  
PEOPLE IN HERE  
WITH US COULD  
CAUSE US JUST  
AS MUCH HARM  
ANY TIME.



THOMAS AND DEXTER ARE  
DEAD, LORI. I'M KEEPING AN  
EYE ON MICHONNE--SHE'S  
LOCKED IN HER CELL AT NIGHT,  
SHE'S NEVER CARRYING A  
WEAPON, AND WE'RE ALL  
KEEPING A CLOSE  
EYE ON HER.

WE'RE BEING  
MORE CAREFUL  
NOW--I'M BEING  
MORE CAREFUL  
NOW.

WE WON'T  
LET ANYTHING  
HAPPEN  
AGAIN.



BUT AXEL IS STILL  
HERE--AND PATRICIA  
SHE--THERE'S NO  
TELLING WHAT SHE  
COULD DO  
NEXT.



AXEL IS HARMLESS, BUT  
WE'RE NOT IGNORING HIM,  
AND PATRICIA IS JUST  
INCREDIBLY NAIVE, OR  
STUPID... I DON'T  
THINK SHE'D--

LORI...  
YOU'RE  
SHAKING.

I  
KNOW,  
RICK.

I  
KNOW.





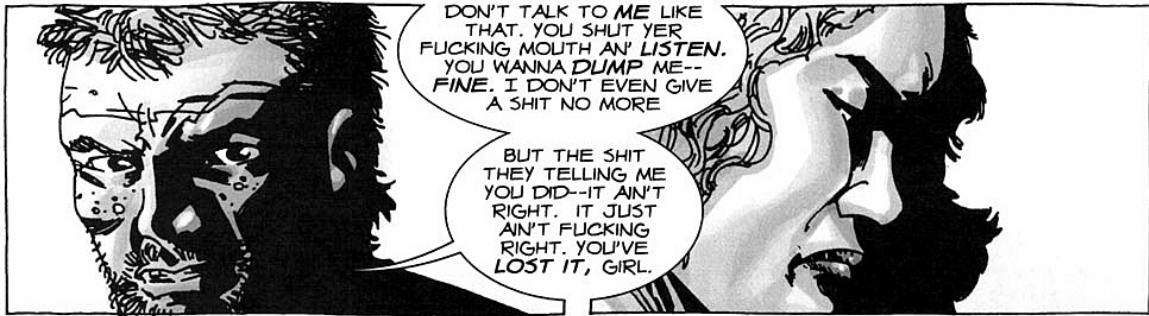
AIN'T NO ONE TALKING TO YOU, PATRICIA

JUST LEAVE ME ALONE. PLEASE JUST LEAVE ME ALONE.



DON'T TALK TO ME LIKE THAT. YOU SHUT YER FUCKING MOUTH AN' LISTEN. YOU WANNA DUMP ME-- FINE. I DON'T EVEN GIVE A SHIT NO MORE

BUT THE SHIT THEY TELLING ME YOU DID--IT AIN'T RIGHT. IT JUST AIN'T FUCKING RIGHT. YOU'VE LOST IT, GIRL.



YOU LET THAT KILLER OUT AND HE ALMOST KILLED YOU--AND THEN-- THEN YOU WAS GONNA LET THEM TWO--THEM TWO KICK ALLA US OUTTA HERE.

YOU SIDED AGAINST US WITH--WITH--

...A COUPLE NIGGERS.



I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW I AIN'T TALKIN' TA YOU NEITHER. YER DEAD TO ME.







SO, I'M HELPING LORI IN THE KITCHEN PREPARE FOOD FOR EVERYONE. HERSHEL IS FARMING. ANDREA'S GOING TO BE MAKING CLOTHES ALL DAY. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE DOING?

A LITTLE BASKETBALL... MAYBE A NAP, I'LL PROBABLY PRACTICE WITH A GUN IF WE FIND MORE BULLETS JUST SO I'M NOT SO BAD AT IT. ALL IN ALL--NOT A WHOLE HELL OF A LOT, ACTUALLY. I DON'T SEE WHY I CAN'T CONSIDER THIS MY RETIREMENT. I MEAN, ODDS ARE THESE ARE THE LATTER YEARS OF MY LIFE.



DON'T TALK LIKE THAT! AND YOU'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING, LAZY BONES!

I'VE GOT TO KEEP RESTED UP FOR THE NEXT TIME YOU GUYS NEED MY HAMMER! WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF I WAS EXHAUSTED FOR THE NEXT ZOMBIE ATTACK?



OH, HI.

WE, UH, DIDN'T SEE YOU COME IN.



SOMEONE SAID THERE WERE WEIGHTS IN HERE. I WANTED TO DO SOME LIFTING.



YEAH, RIGHT BACK THERE-- YOU CAN'T MISS IT.

THANKS.



YOU WANT--?

YEAH.





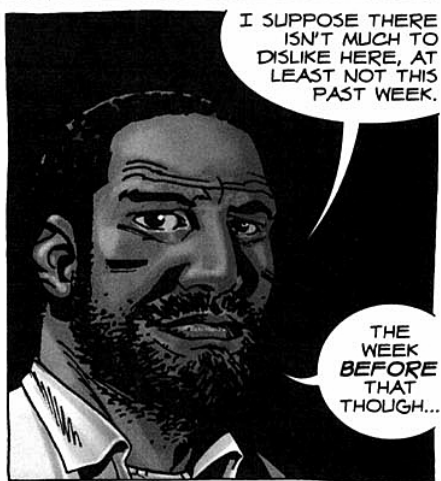
SO, YOU LIKING IT HERE SO FAR?

I'M OUT OF THE RAIN, I'VE GOT MORE PEOPLE TO TALK TO, AND I HAVEN'T HAD TO DECAPITATE A WALKING DEAD PERSON IN A WEEK.

HUH?



I LIKE IT HERE, YEAH.



I SUPPOSE THERE ISN'T MUCH TO DISLIKE HERE, AT LEAST NOT THIS PAST WEEK.

THE WEEK BEFORE THAT THOUGH...



WAIT--I DO RECOGNIZE YOU-- YOU PLAYED A SEASON FOR THE FALCONS DIDN'T YOU? WAS THAT IN NINETY-NINE? TWO THOUSAND?



OH GOD-- YEAH, I DID. NINETY-EIGHT, THOUGH. YOU FOLLOW FOOTBALL, HUH?



I FOLLOW THE FALCONS. THEY'RE MY SECOND PASSION, AFTER WEIGHT-LIFTING.

YOU WEREN'T VERY GOOD IF I'M REMEMBERING YOU RIGHT.

I CAN SEE THAT.

THAT'S ONE WAY OF PUTTING IT.



C'MON, TYREESE, LET'S LEAVE MICHONNE ALONE TO DO HER EXERCISE.

ONE SECOND, CAROL.







NOT VERY FLATTERING, HUH?

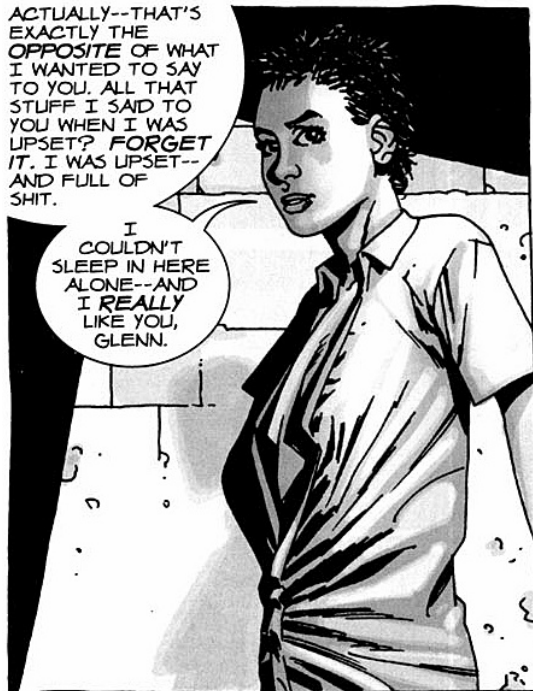
I DON'T KNOW-- I THINK IT'S *CUTE*. LIKE YOU'RE WEARING PAJAMAS OR SOMETHING.

YOU'RE SICK.



LISTEN--IF YOU WANT ME TO MOVE MY STUFF OUT OF THE CELL, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED TO TALK TO ME ABOUT--I WAS PLANNING ON DOING THAT TODAY ALREADY.

SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY IT. I DON'T REALLY WANT TO HEAR IT--IF THAT MAKES SENSE.



ACTUALLY--THAT'S EXACTLY THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT I WANTED TO SAY TO YOU. ALL THAT STUFF I SAID TO YOU WHEN I WAS UPSET? FORGET IT. I WAS UPSET-- AND FULL OF SHIT.

I COULDN'T SLEEP IN HERE ALONE--AND I REALLY LIKE YOU, GLENN.



REALLY??



EVERYTHING AROUND US IS SO UNCERTAIN THESE DAYS...

I MIGHT AS WELL HAVE ONE CONSTANT IN MY LIFE--A GUY WHO CARES ABOUT ME. PUSHING YOU AWAY WOULD BE STUPID.



BESIDES, I REALLY NEED TO GET LAID.



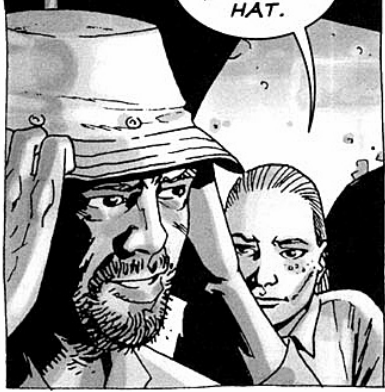
YOU'RE RIGHT, THIS ISN'T SO BAD AT ALL. I COULD GET USED TO THIS. IT SURE WILL CUT DOWN ON ANY "WHAT WILL I WEAR TODAY" TIME.



SEE, I TOLD YOU. AND IT FEELS GOOD TO GET OUT OF THOSE OLD CLOTHES DOESN'T IT?

ABSOLUTELY. ANOTHER COUPLE MONTHS AND I'D HAVE TO CHASE THOSE CLOTHES DOWN TO WEAR THEM.

NOW IF ONLY WE COULD GET RID OF THAT HAT.



THAT AIN'T HAPPENING, YOUNG LADY.



A GIRL CAN HOPE, CAN'T SHE?



DALE, ARE WE STAYING?



I DON'T KNOW.

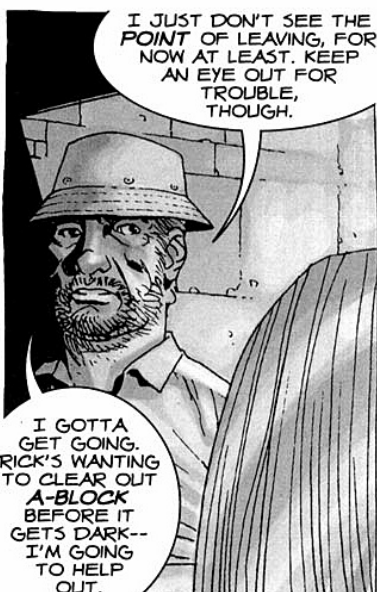
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FOR NOW.

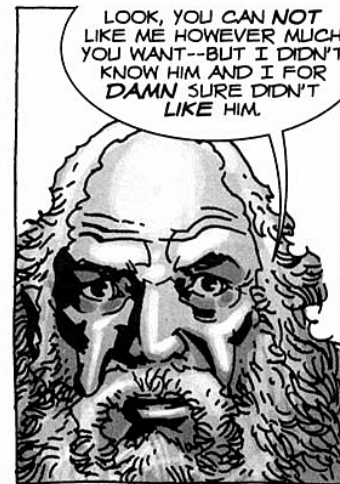


I JUST DON'T SEE THE POINT OF LEAVING, FOR NOW AT LEAST. KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR TROUBLE, THOUGH.

I GOTTA GET GOING. RICK'S WANTING TO CLEAR OUT A-BLOCK BEFORE IT GETS DARK-- I'M GOING TO HELP OUT.















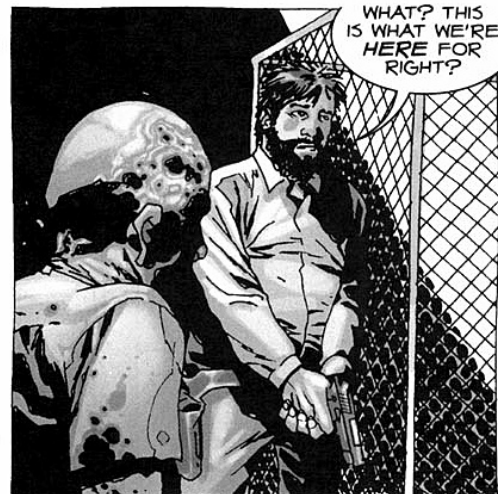


OKAY, HOPEFULLY MOST OF THE ROAMERS FLOODED OUT WHEN DEXTER AND ANDREW LET THEM LOOSE. IF THAT'S THE CASE, AND ALL WE'VE GOT IN HERE ARE LURKERS... THIS SHOULD BE EASY-- LIKE IT WAS WITH C-BLOCK WHEN WE FIRST GOT HERE.

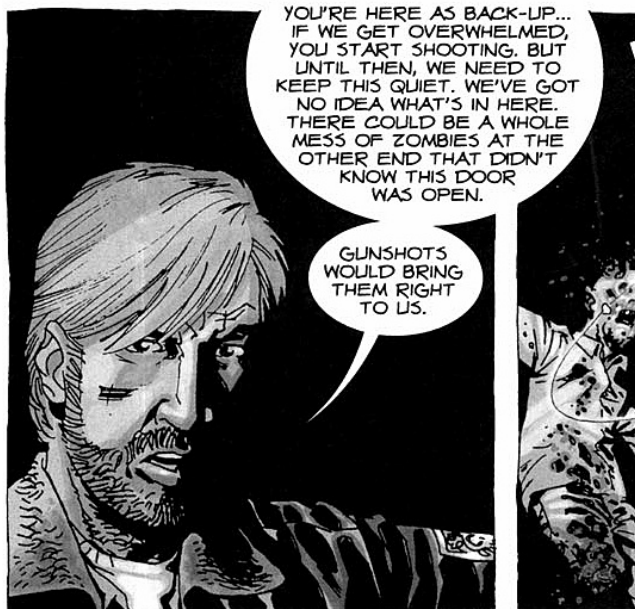
I GOT THIS ONE.



ALLEN-- NO!



WHAT? THIS IS WHAT WE'RE HERE FOR RIGHT?



YOU'RE HERE AS BACK-UP... IF WE GET OVERWHELMED, YOU START SHOOTING. BUT UNTIL THEN, WE NEED TO KEEP THIS QUIET. WE'VE GOT NO IDEA WHAT'S IN HERE. THERE COULD BE A WHOLE MESS OF ZOMBIES AT THE OTHER END THAT DIDN'T KNOW THIS DOOR WAS OPEN.

GUNSHOTS WOULD BRING THEM RIGHT TO US.



WHACK!

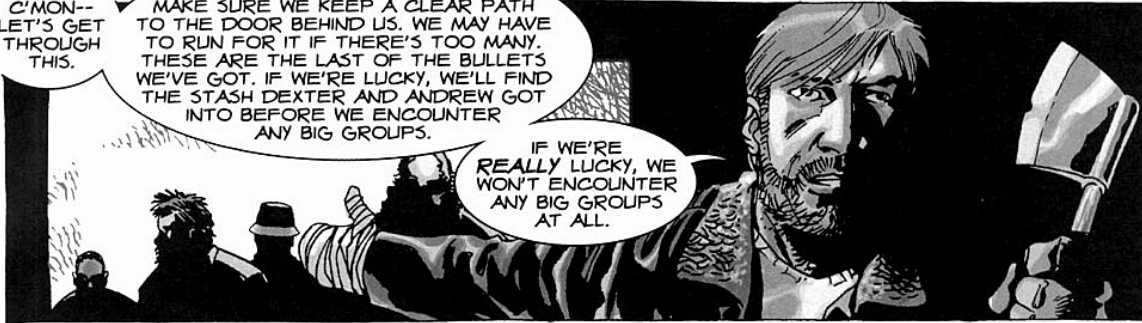
OH.



C'MON--  
LET'S GET  
THROUGH  
THIS.

MAKE SURE WE KEEP A CLEAR PATH  
TO THE DOOR BEHIND US. WE MAY HAVE  
TO RUN FOR IT IF THERE'S TOO MANY.  
THESE ARE THE LAST OF THE BULLETS  
WE'VE GOT. IF WE'RE LUCKY, WE'LL FIND  
THE STASH DEXTER AND ANDREW GOT  
INTO BEFORE WE ENCOUNTER  
ANY BIG GROUPS.

IF WE'RE  
REALLY LUCKY, WE  
WON'T ENCOUNTER  
ANY BIG GROUPS  
AT ALL.



LOOK  
AT  
THIS.



OKAY, PIT STOP.  
LORI WOULD KILL  
ME IF I DIDN'T  
CHECK THIS  
OUT RIGHT  
AWAY.



CAROL IS GOING TO FLIP  
OUT. SHE WENT CRAZY  
OVER WHAT LITTLE BOOKS  
THEY HAD ON HERSHEL'S  
FARM. SHE'LL BE IN  
HEAVEN WHEN SHE  
SEES THIS.

LORI,  
TOO.

OH, YEAH--I FORGOT  
ABOUT THE LIBRARY  
BEING OVER HERE.  
NEVER HAD MUCH  
USE FOR IT  
MYSELF.

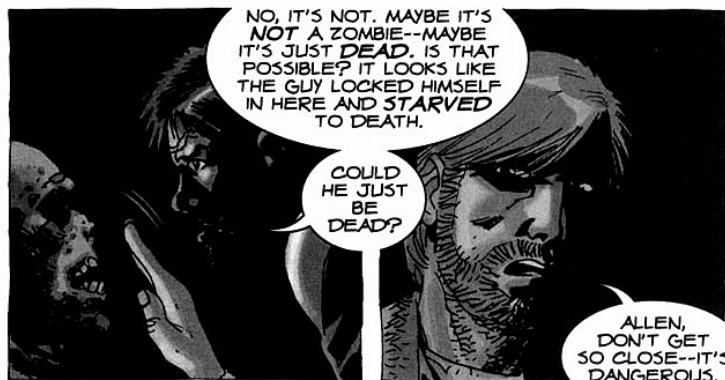




UH,  
GUYS.



IS THAT  
THING  
MOVING?



NO, IT'S NOT. MAYBE IT'S  
NOT A ZOMBIE--MAYBE  
IT'S JUST DEAD. IS THAT  
POSSIBLE? IT LOOKS LIKE  
THE GUY LOCKED HIMSELF  
IN HERE AND STARVED  
TO DEATH.

COULD  
HE JUST  
BE  
DEAD?

ALLEN,  
DON'T GET  
SO CLOSE--IT'S  
DANGEROUS.



AAAGH!

GRAH!!



OH,  
JESUS!!

WHUMP!



BLAM!  
BLAM!













SOMEONE'S SHOOTING SOMETHING. YOU THINK WE SHOULD GO BACK?

NAH, I DON'T HEAR ANY SCREAMING NOW THAT THE SHOTS HAVE STOPPED--IT WAS PROBABLY JUST ALLEN GETTING STARTLED AGAIN.

NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.



I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT.



HEY--WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THIS?



DON'T KNOW, LET'S SEE WHAT'S BEHIND IT.



WHAT'S THAT IN THE BACK THERE? SHINE YOUR LIGHT SO WE CAN SEE.



OH, MAN.









IS THAT A  
GENERATOR?

I  
THINK  
IT IS.

THIS  
MUST  
BE OUR  
LUCKY  
DAY.

