

# SLIDERS™ ULTIMATUM

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WELCOME TO ONE DIMENSION  
WHERE THEY NEVER HAVE TO  
SING "SEND IN THE CLOWNS!"

IS THIS THE  
END RESULT OF A  
DOZEN DEGREES IN  
SCIENCE? CAN THIS  
BE WHY I HAVE  
AMASSED A LIFETIME  
OF KNOWLEDGE?

PROFESSOR  
MAXIMILLIAN  
ARTURO.

PROFESSOR...CHILL,  
OKAY? GET WITH THE  
PROGRAM. LAUGH.  
CLOWN, LAUGH!

WADE  
KATHLEEN  
WELLS.

THIS AINT THE WAY I  
WAS SUPPOSED TO  
LAND  
BACK IN SHOW BIZ!

REMBRANDT  
"CRYING MAN"  
BROWN.

YOU'RE A PRO,  
REMBRANDT-  
YOU'LL KNOCK  
'EM DEAD!

PHYSICIST  
GUNN MALLORY.



SPACE BREAKS DOWN AT THE QUANTUM LEVEL, SWIRLING OPEN A MOMENTARY TUNNEL ACROSS DIMENSIONS.

THEIR JOURNEY BEGAN AS AN EXPERIMENT, BUT BECAME A CURSE--

--TRAPPING THEM INTO TRAVELLING BETWEEN COUNTLESS ALTERNATIVE REALITIES.

UNTIL NOW, IT HAS BEEN LIKE BEING CAUGHT FOREVER, BETWEEN HEAVEN... AND HELL.

LET'S SLIDE!

# RAPTURE

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EARTH ONE  
MO' TIME.



IN A MOMENT,  
IN THE TWINKLIN'  
OF AN EYE, AT  
THE *LAST TRUMP*  
THIS CORRUPTION  
MUST BECOME  
*INCORRUPT!*

MORTAL SHALL  
HAVE PUT ON  
*IMMORTALITY!* DEATH  
IS SWALLOWED UP!  
GRAVE, WHERE IS THY  
VICTORY?

FOR THE  
*TRUMPET* SHALL  
SOUND & TOOT,  
TOOT & AND WE  
SHALL BE  
*CHANGED!*

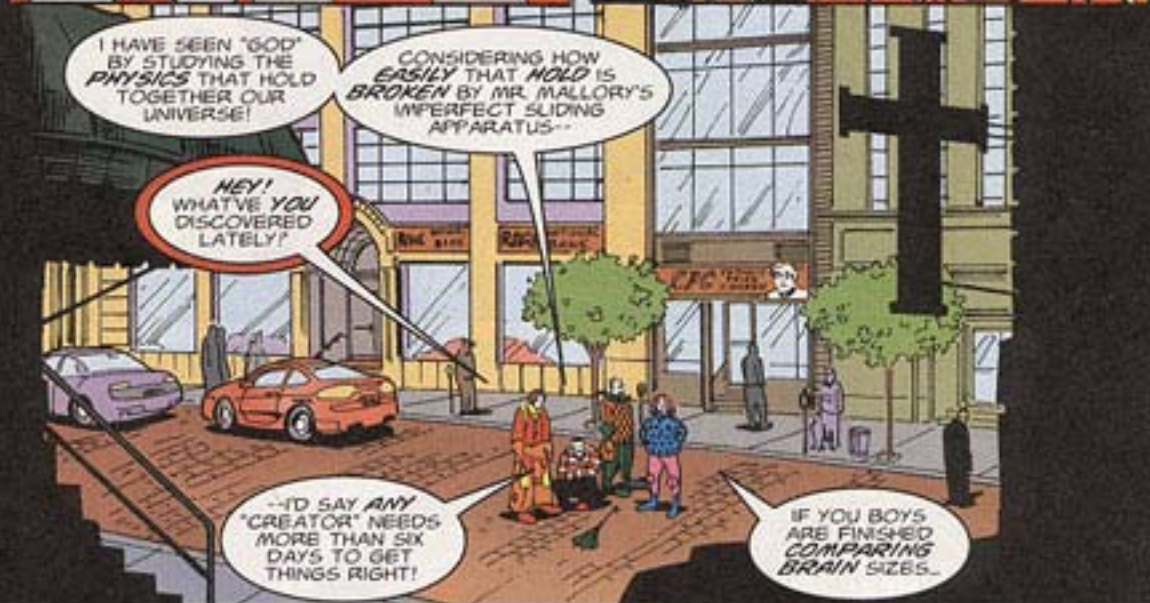


BUT WOE ON  
THE *SINNERS*  
NOT FIT FOR THE  
LORD'S TABLE!  
FOR THEY ARE  
CAST INTO OUTER  
*DARKNESS!*

SKOOM



FORCED TO RETURN TO  
THIS VEIL OF TEARS THEY  
SHALL BE! AND AMONG THE  
*UNWORTHY*, GREAT WEEPINGS  
AND GNASHING OF TEETH!





SKRATOOM



THE LIGHT,  
IT'S--IT'S  
TAKING  
THEM!



ISN'T IT  
GLORIOUS,  
FRIENDS?

JESUS,  
MARY AND  
JOSEPH.

EXACTLY, MY  
FRIENDS! AND ALL  
THE HOLY HOSTS  
WITH THEM! LIKE A  
SHEPHERD DIVIDETH  
HIS SHEEP FROM  
THE GOATS...

GOD SHALL SET  
THE SHEEP ON HIS  
RIGHT HAND, THE  
GOATS ON LEFT! HE  
HAS AGAIN GRACED  
US BY CALLING THE  
CHOSEN!

I'M ACOLYTE  
GEORGE. STAND  
WITH US, WON'T YOU?  
IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO  
HELP PUT THESE  
MIRACLES IN  
PERSPECTIVE!

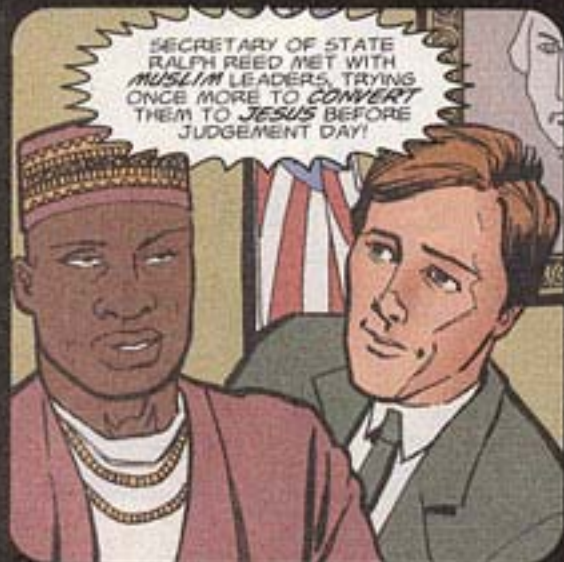
GATHER  
ROUND... LET  
US PRAY!

WHAT  
COLOR IS YOUR  
RAINBOW NOW,  
MISS WELLS?

Batter Street  
Electronics

Holy Cow  
Books

resident  
BUCHANAN  
"Taking US  
Right to The  
RAPTURE"



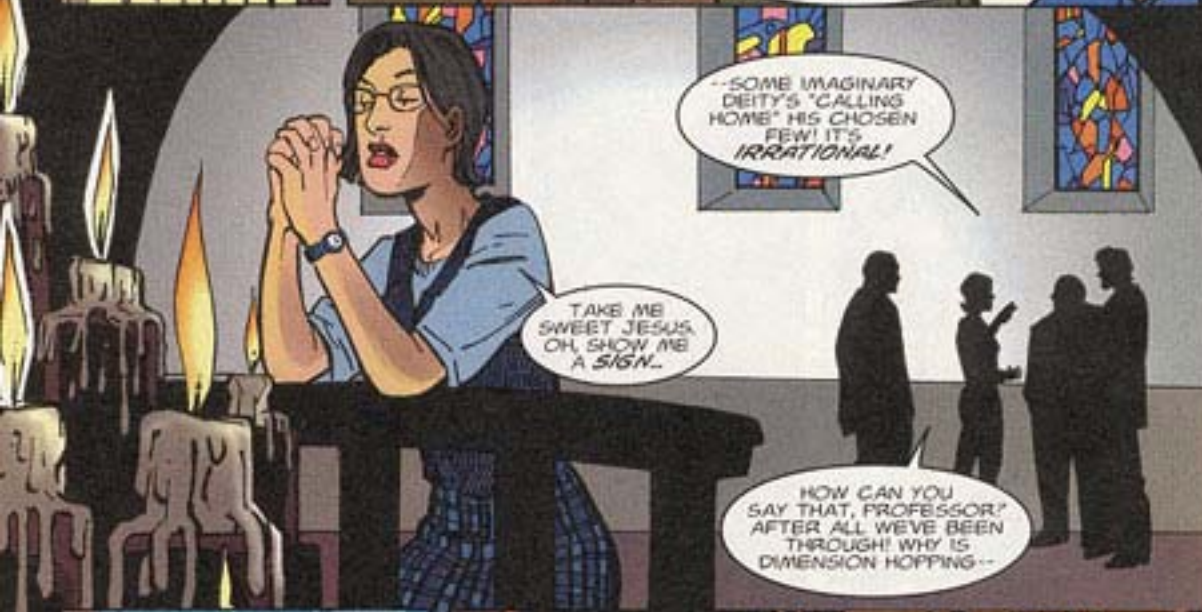


A SHORT WHILE AND A FEW CANDLES LATER.

WHAT *BLITHERING* IDIOTS OCCUPY THIS WORLD!



THEY ACTUALLY BELIEVE THEMSELVES TO BE *WITNESS* TO THE RAPTURE--



--SOME IMAGINARY DEITY'S "CALLING HOME" HIS CHOSEN FEW! IT'S *IRRATIONAL!*

TAKE ME SWEET JESUS. OH, SHOW ME A *SIGN*..

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT, PROFESSOR? AFTER ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH! WHY IS *DIMENSION HOPPING*--



--ANY MORE "RATIONAL" THAN SEEING SPIRITS?

THANK YOU, LORD!



YOU'RE SCIENTISTS, YOU AND GUINN! JUDGE THE *EVIDENCE!*

DON'T REJECT WHAT MIGHT BE, BECAUSE THE FACTS SUGGEST THE *IMPOSSIBLE!*



YOU GOTTA UNDERSTAND WHERE I'M COMIN' FROM.

I GREW UP IN THE CHURCH CHOIR. THAT WAS WHERE MY TALENT WAS TRAINED.

THAT WAS MY TICKET, TOO. OUT OF GEORGIA, AND INTO THE BIG TIME! THAT'S WHAT MARCUS CASTOR PROMISED ME.

"MOM AND DAD DIDN'T SEE IT THAT WAY! THEY SAID MY VOICE WAS A GIFT FROM GOD, AND THAT'S WHO I SHOULD USE IT FOR!"

"MARCUS SAID MY VOICE WAS GOLD RECORDS AND CADILLACS, AND ALL I COULD THINK WAS GOD HELPS THOSE WHO HELP THEMSELVES."









"...AND I HOPE YOUR  
**EXCOMMUNICATION**  
HAS NOT CLOSED YOUR  
MIND TO NEW IDEAS!"

THIS SLIDING  
TALE OF YOURS--IT'S  
FANTASTIC! AND  
I **EMBRACE** IT  
WHOLEHEARTEDLY!

IF FOR NO  
OTHER REASON  
THAN YOU'RE MY  
FIRST **VISITORS**  
IN YEARS!

CHECK THESE  
OUT! AS THE  
RAPTURE MOVEMENT  
PICKED UP STEAM, LOOK  
AT THE **PERSONALITIES**  
WHO **CHANGED**  
THEIR SONGS!

"MATERIAL GIRL  
GOES SPIRITUAL!"  
MADONNA BECAME  
A REAL NUN?



"HOWARD STERN--  
RADIO'S LAST  
SINNER!" I GUESS  
EVEN HE CLEANED  
UP HIS ACT, HUH?



ACTUALLY HE PROVED  
**UNREPENTANT** AND  
FLED TO THE DESERT!  
HE TRANSMIT'S FROM  
A UHF STATION.



...AND  
CONTINUES  
TO PROCLAIM  
HIMSELF, "KING  
OF ALL MEDIA!"

"BROTHER MILTON--  
VANGUARD OF THE LORD!"



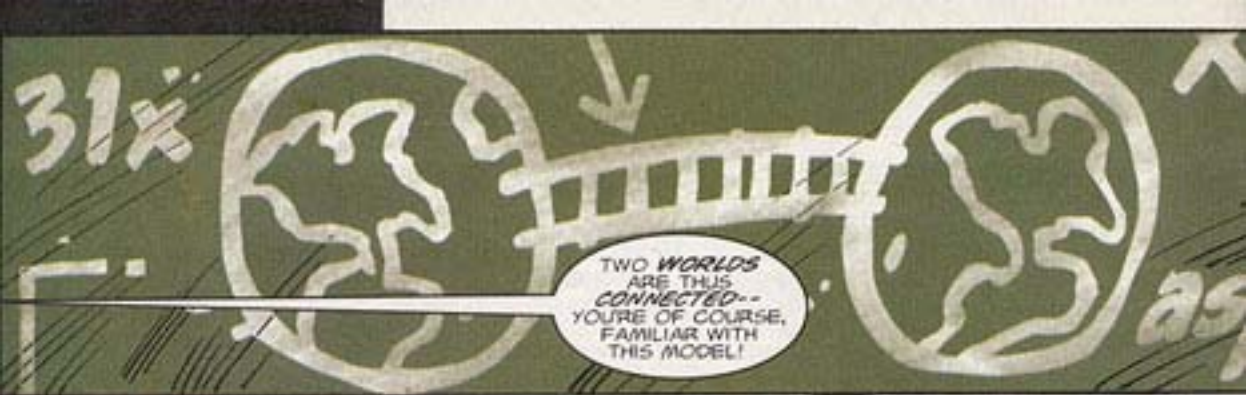
HE DID THE  
FIRST "SERIOUS"  
STUDIES ON THE  
VANISHINGS.

IT WAS MILTON'S  
WORK THAT MOST  
AGGRESSIVELY  
**PROMOTED** THE  
"IDEA" THAT THE  
RAPTURE WAS  
UPON US!



MY OWN  
**THEORIES** RAN  
AGAINST THE TIDE  
WAGINE A **BRIDGE**  
OF ENERGY, AS  
EINSTEIN AND ROSEN  
THEORIZED!





TWO WORLDS  
ARE THIS  
CONNECTED--  
YOU'RE OF COURSE,  
FAMILIAR WITH  
THIS MODEL!



HMM!  
I MIGHT  
HAVE...

BUT A LITTLE  
KNOWN, ECCENTRIC  
PHYSICIST NAMED  
HAWKINS--YOU'VE  
PROBABLY NEVER  
HEARD OF HIM!



HIS THEORY IS,  
IT'S NOT *ONE*  
OPENING BETWEEN  
DIMENSIONS, BUT  
*INNUMERABLE!*  
CONSTANTLY OPEN,  
BUT *MICROSCOPIC*  
IN NATURE!

IF THOSE *TINY HOLES*  
HAVE BEEN WORN DOWN--  
*TATTERED*--TO THE POINT  
THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE  
ARE VANISHING ACROSS  
DIMENSIONS...



LIKE THE ASTRAL  
PLANE YOU WERE  
TRAPPED ON,  
GUINN!



THERE  
IS GREAT  
DANGER  
HERE!

THE ENTIRE *WALL*  
BETWEEN WORLDS  
MAY SOON *CRASH*  
DOWN! AND THEN IT  
REALLY *WILL* BE  
THE END OF THE  
WORLD...

IN THE EPISODE,  
"GILIAN OF THE  
SPIRITS"--RERUN  
SOMEZ.

THE  
TRANS-AMERICA  
TEMPLE.

PEOPLE, LET'S  
PUT OUR HANDS  
TOGETHER FOR  
BROTHER MILTON  
AND HIS POWER OF  
PRAYER REVIEW!

THEIR SPIRITUAL  
SOUNDS HAVE PUT  
US EVER MORE IN  
TOUCH WITH THE  
HEAVENLY CHOR  
ABOVE!

I HAVEN'T  
*SUNG* THIS  
*FINE* IN  
YEARS!

AND THAT'S  
THE MAN  
RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THE MOVEMENT,  
HUH?

ACOLYTE--ANY  
CHANCE OF ME GIVING  
MY PERSONAL *THANKS*  
TO BROTHER MILTON?

HE'S QUITE  
BUSY, BROTHER.  
IT MIGHT TAKE A  
MONTH OR SO.

ALL I  
NEED IS FIVE  
MINUTES!

I'M SURE  
HE WON'T MIND  
IF I CATCH HIM  
BACKSTAGE...



...OR DOWN IN THE BASEMENT!  
IT'S LIKE A MAZE  
DOWN HERE...

...THE LORD WORKS  
IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS,  
THAT'S FOR SURE!



THE MAN  
OBVIOUSLY LIKES  
HIS PRIVACY...

YOUR EXPERIMENTS  
HAVE BORN  
DIVINE FRUIT,  
GUINN!



I AM ONLY GOD'S  
INSTRUMENT,  
BROTHER MILTON!

IT'S YOUR VISION THAT  
SAW MY HUMBLE  
"SLIDING" DEVICE  
COULD BE MADE  
A HARBINGER OF  
THE TRUE  
RAPTURE.



OH, MAN, WHY'S IT  
GOT TO BE, WHEN  
THERE'S A MAZE--  
THERE'S RATS?

BUT I'M AFRAID  
WE'VE PUSHED  
THE PROCESS TOO FAR!  
THE MINIATURE  
DIMENSIONAL HOLES  
ARE RUNNING  
TOGETHER...

IT'S LIKE  
A PIECE OF  
FRAYED FABRIC  
TEARING ITSELF  
APART!

SO...THE ILLUSION  
WE'VE SPAWNED IN  
THE NAME OF THE  
CREATOR WILL SOON  
OVERTAKE US.

SO BE IT,  
CLEARLY, WE  
TRULY *ARE*  
DOING THE  
LORD'S WORK,  
MY SON!

AFTER ALL,  
THE *WORLD'S*  
GOT TO END  
SOMETIME!

NEXT:  
WHERE THERE'S HEAVEN,  
THERE'S GOT TO BE HELL.  
BE BACK IN 30 FOR THE  
CONCLUSION OF SLIDERS:  
**ULTIMATUM-  
DAMNATION!**