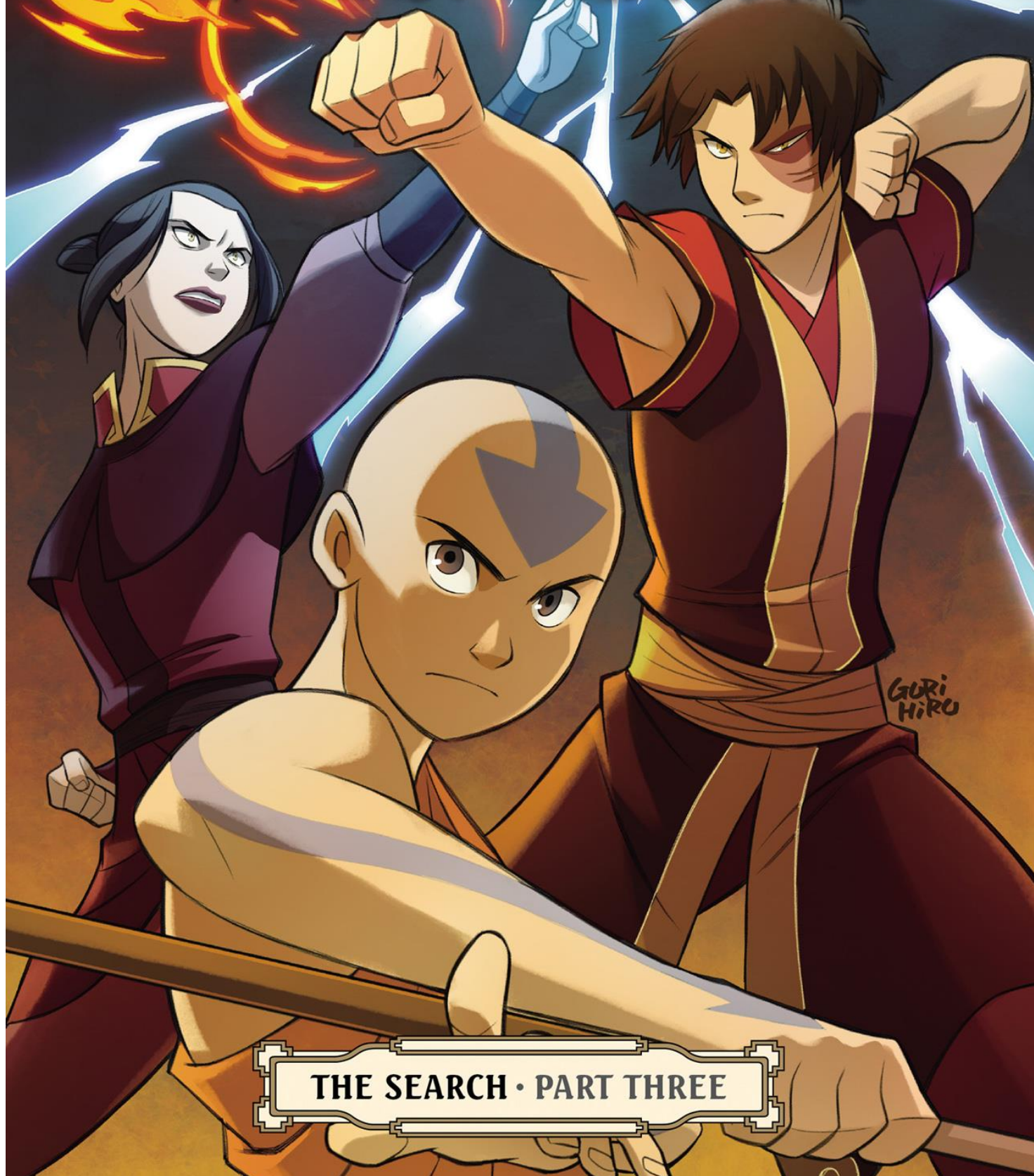


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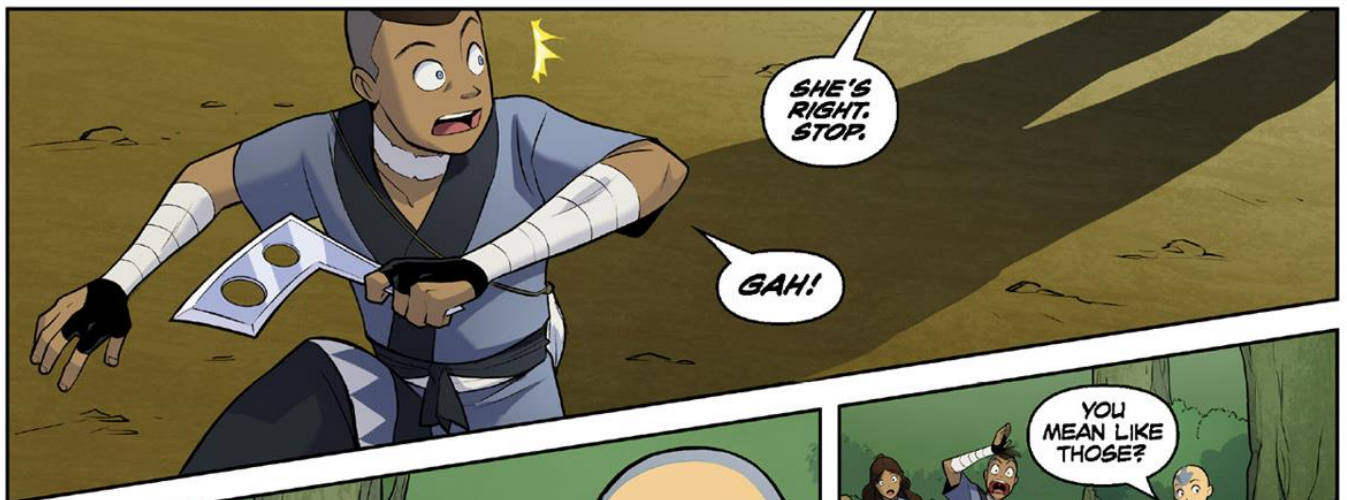
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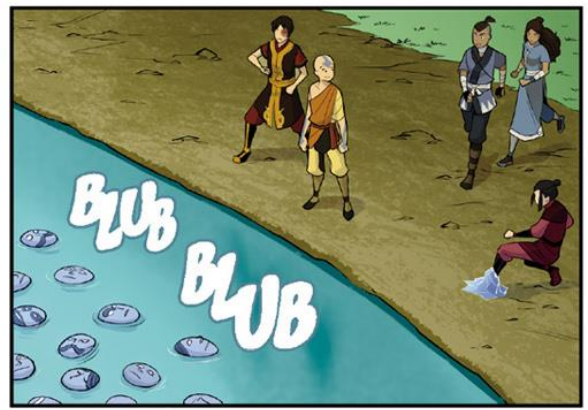
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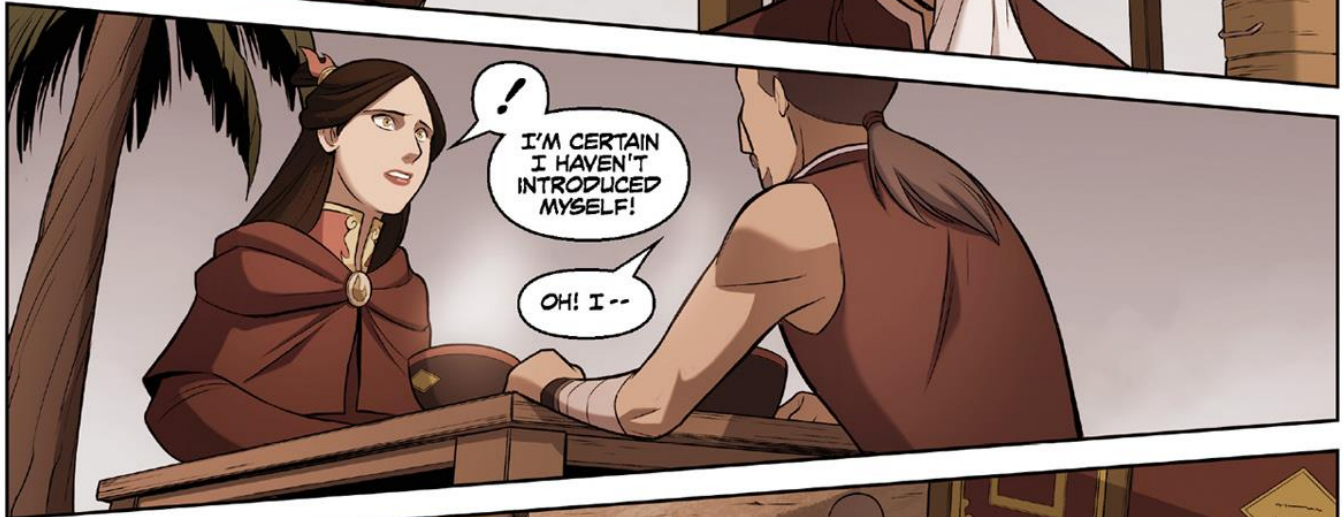




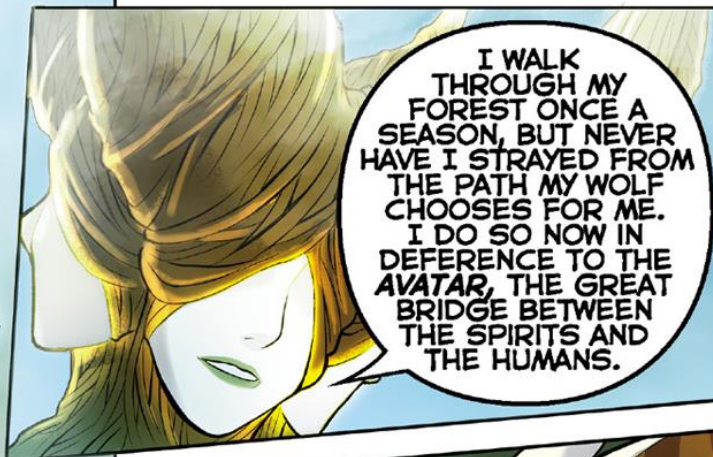










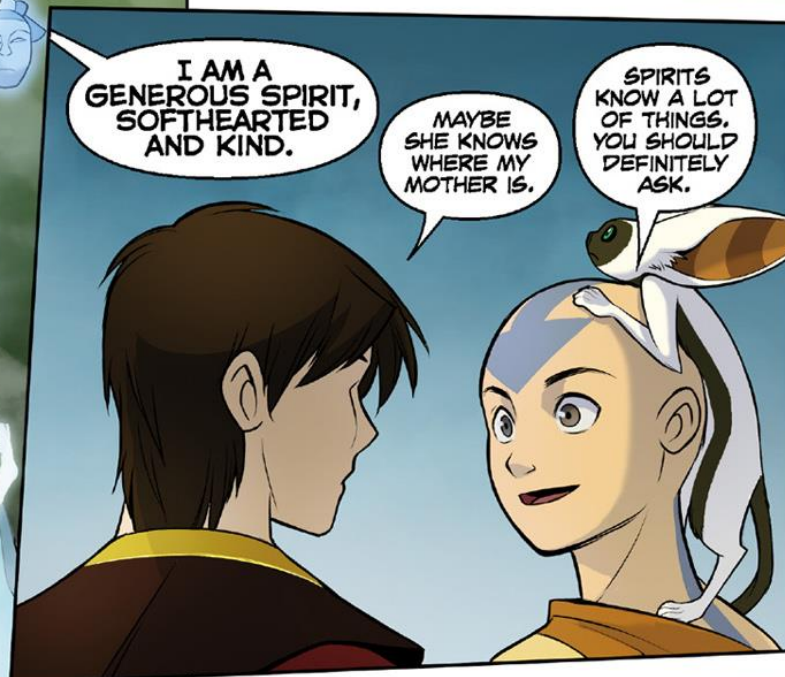


I WALK THROUGH MY FOREST ONCE A SEASON, BUT NEVER HAVE I STRAYED FROM THE PATH MY WOLF CHOOSES FOR ME. I DO SO NOW IN DEFERENCE TO THE AVATAR, THE GREAT BRIDGE BETWEEN THE SPIRITS AND THE HUMANS.



SEE? WHAT'D I TELL YA?

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT, SO YOU'RE GREAT BRIDGE GUY! NOBODY EVER SAID YOU WEREN'T!



I AM A GENEROUS SPIRIT, SOFHEARTED AND KIND.

MAYBE SHE KNOWS WHERE MY MOTHER IS.

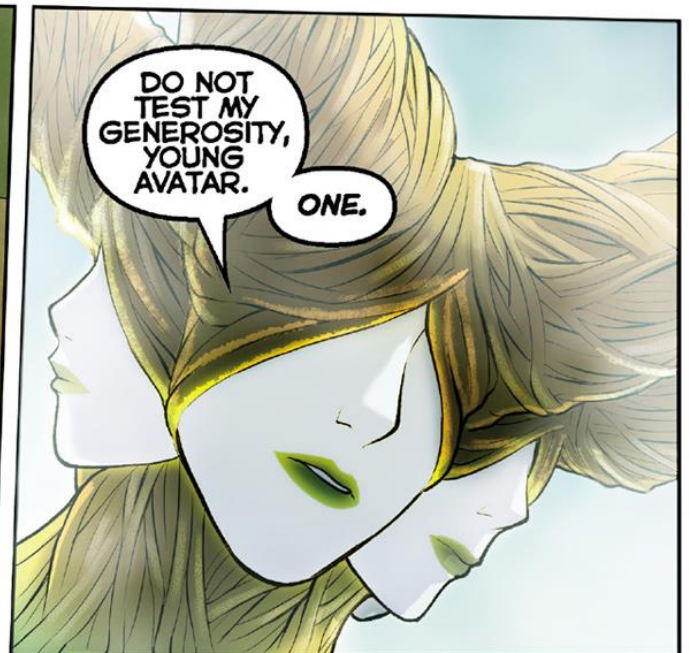
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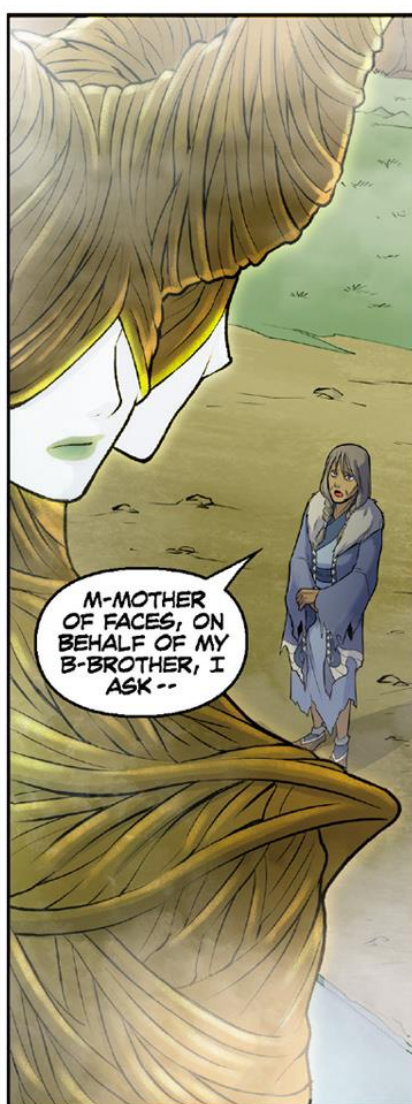
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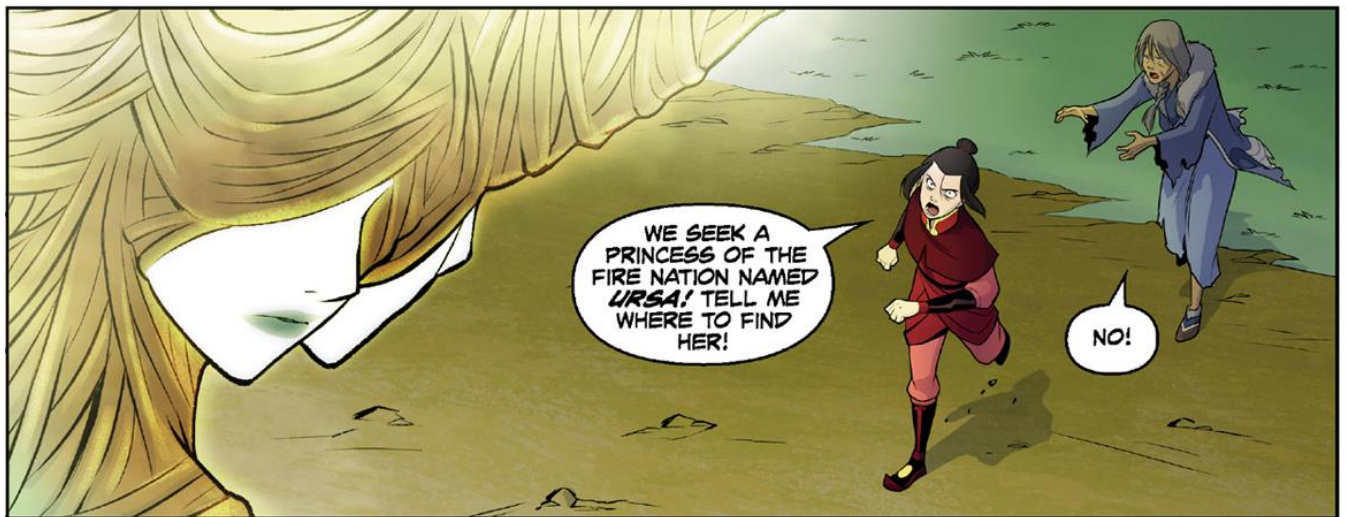
THE ONE BECAME THE MANY.



EACH SEASON, I GRANT ONE FAVOR TO ONE HUMAN. YOU MAY MAKE YOUR REQUEST NOW.

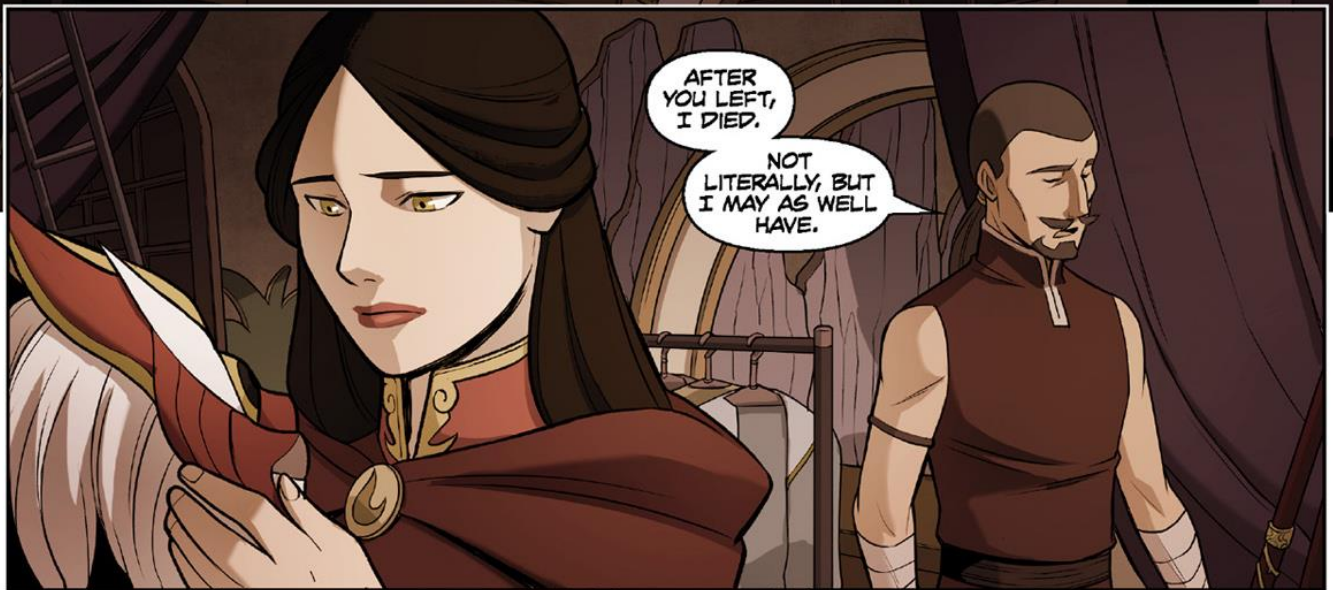


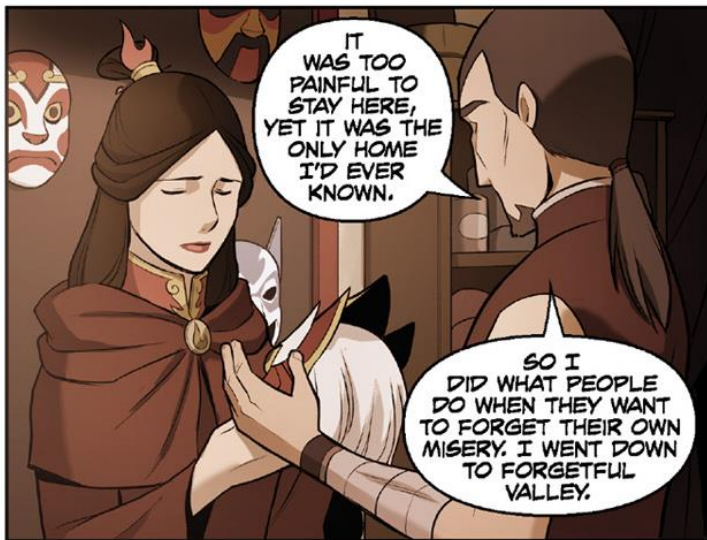


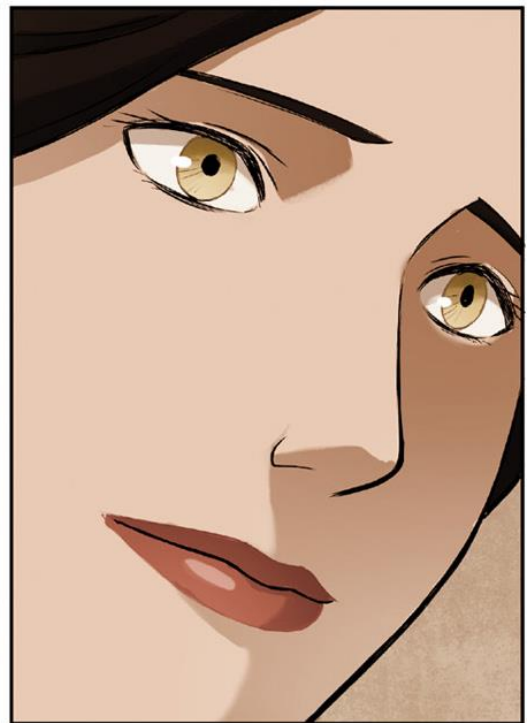
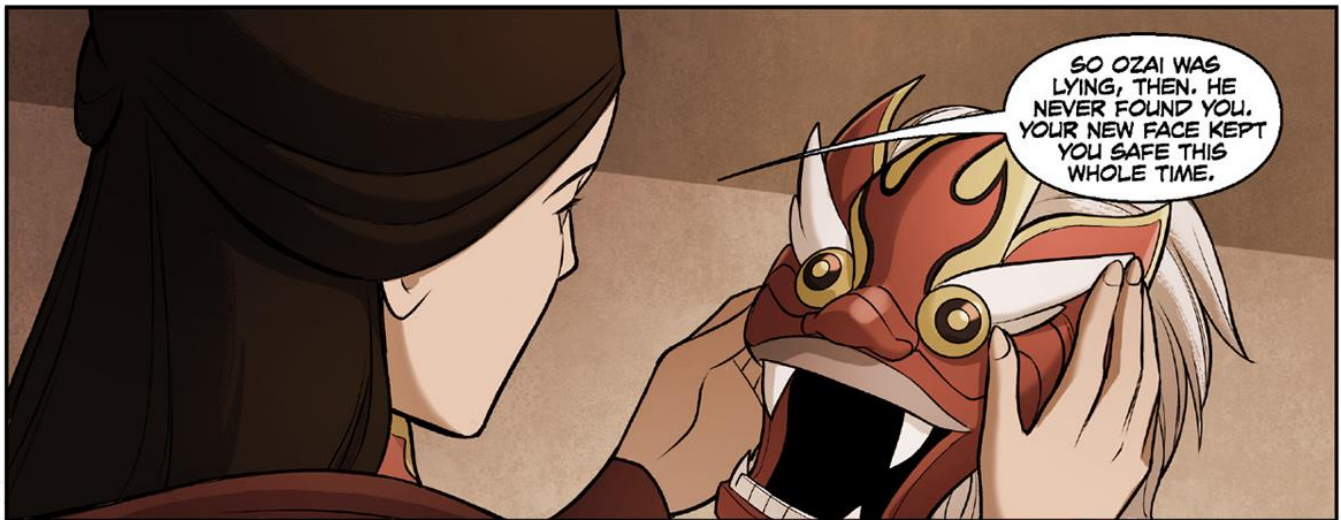














BUT IF I GOT A NEW FACE...A NEW IDENTITY...MAYBE I COULD RETURN TO THE CAPITAL CITY UNDETECTED!

MAYBE I COULD AT LEAST SEE MY CHILDREN AGAIN...MAKE SURE THEY'RE OKAY!

BUT WHAT THEN? WOULD YOU STAY IN THE CITY, HOPING TO CATCH A GLIMPSE OF THEM FROM TIME TO TIME? WATCH THEM GROW UP FROM AFAR? WHAT KIND OF LIFE IS THAT?

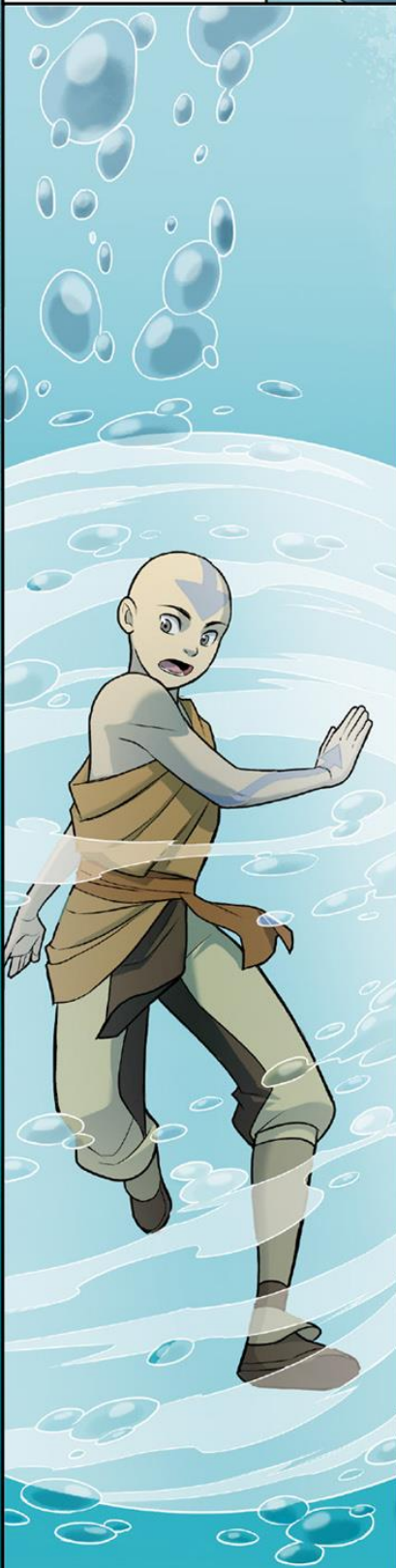
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE.

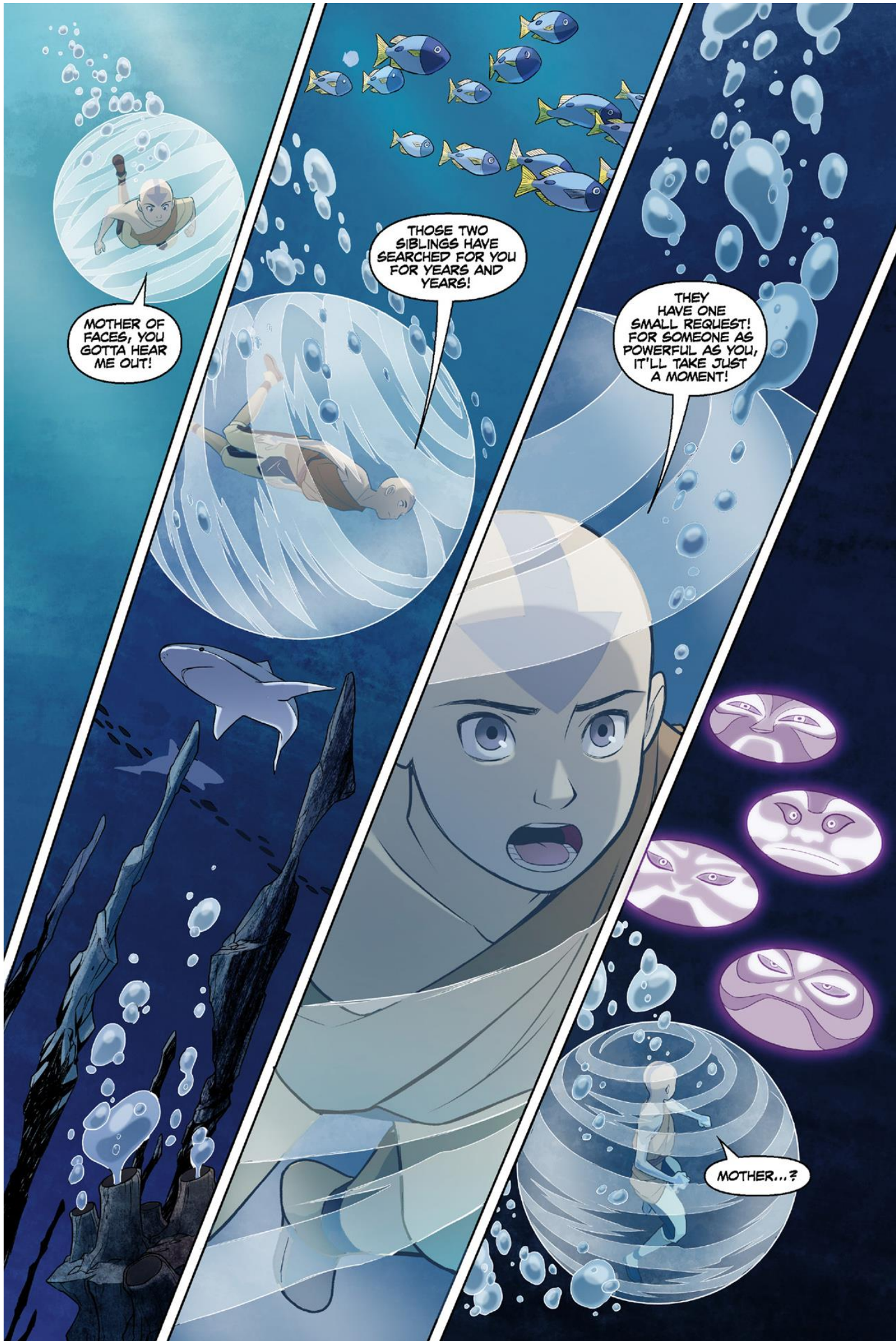
THEY'RE ALWAYS HERE. A PART OF ME WONDERS WHAT THEY'RE DOING... WONDERS IF THEY'RE HAPPY OR SAD OR IN PAIN... ALWAYS.

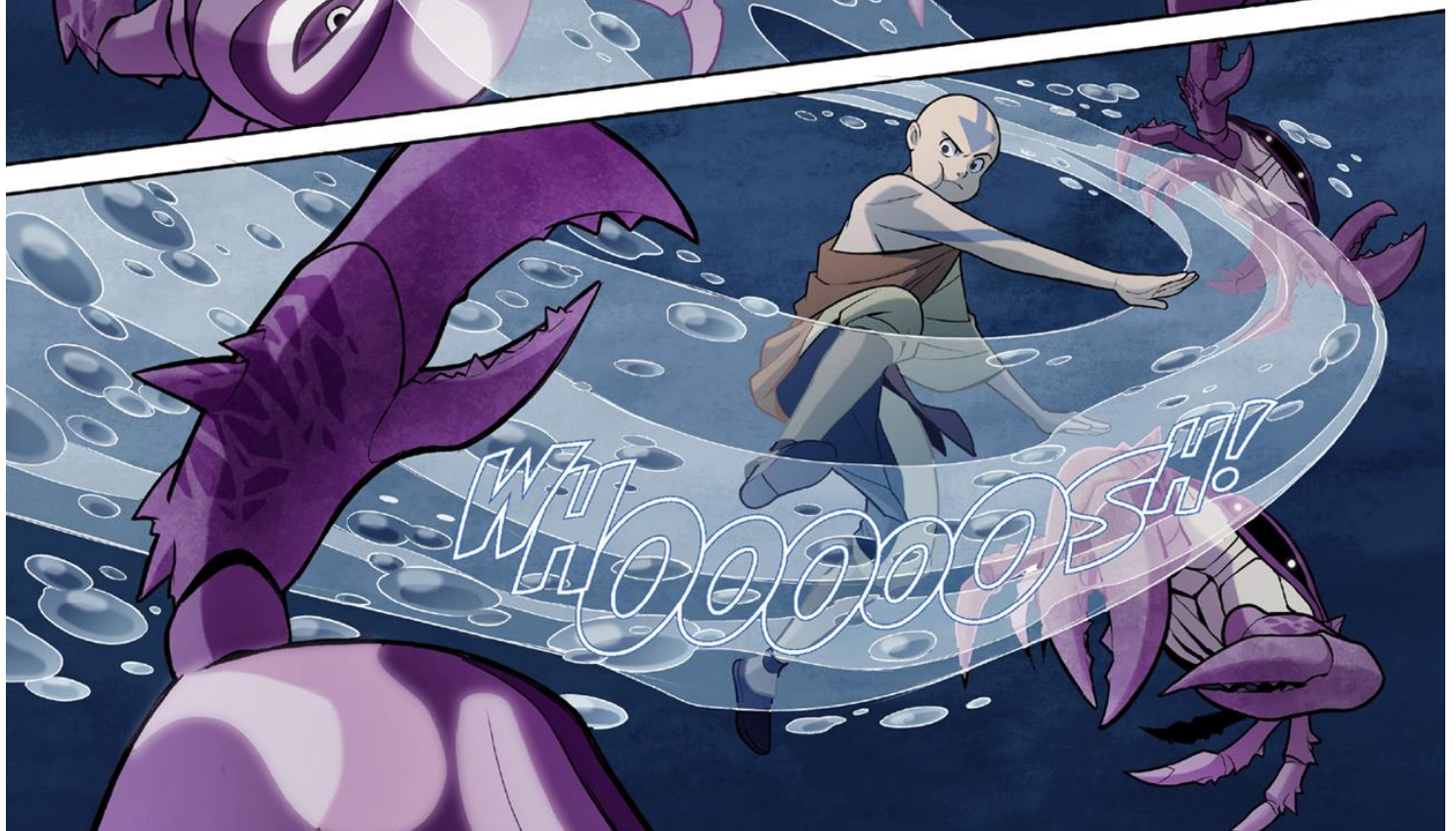
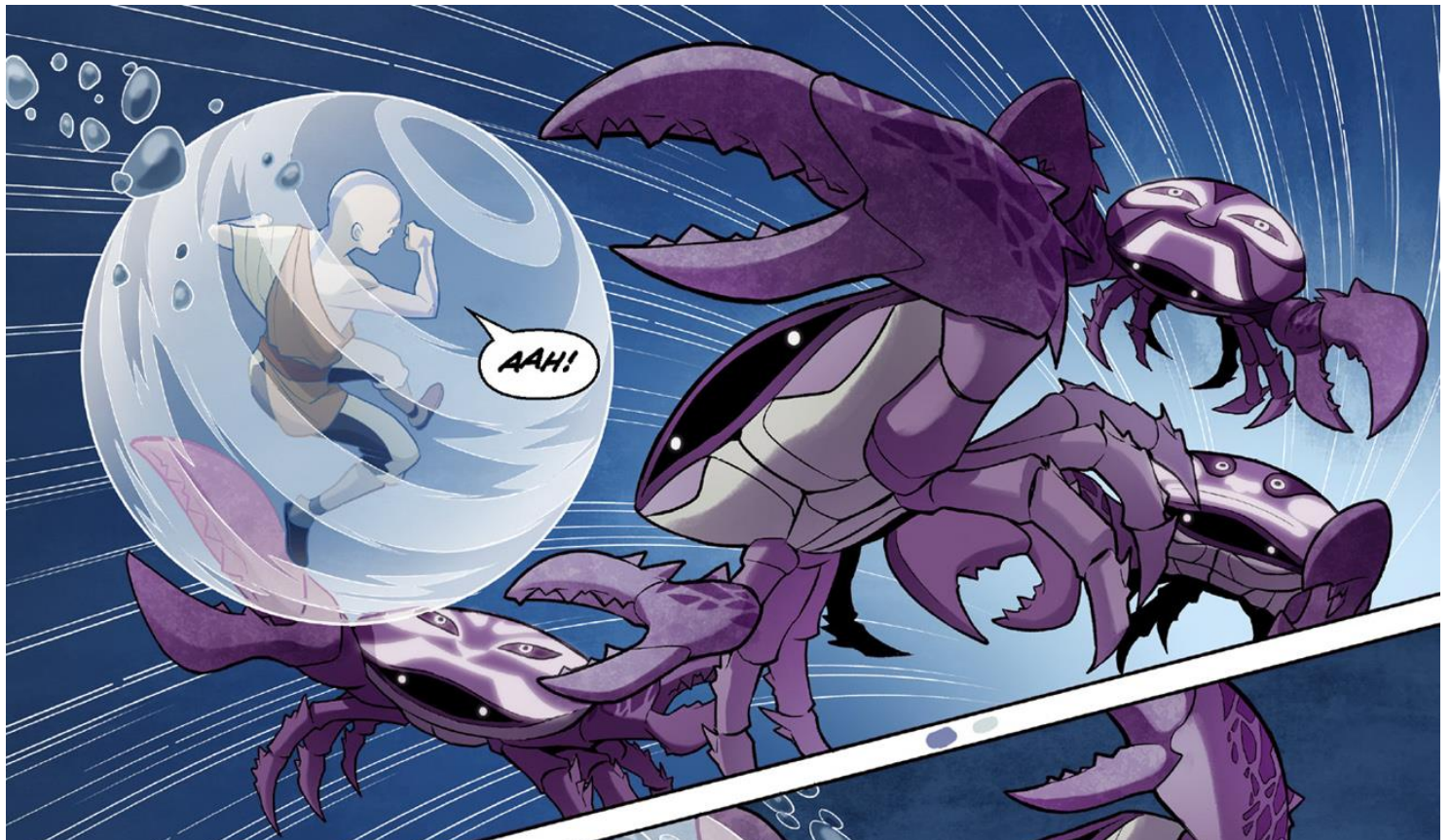
IT'S TORTURE.

COME ON. LET'S GO DOWN TO FORGETFUL VALLEY, IKEM.

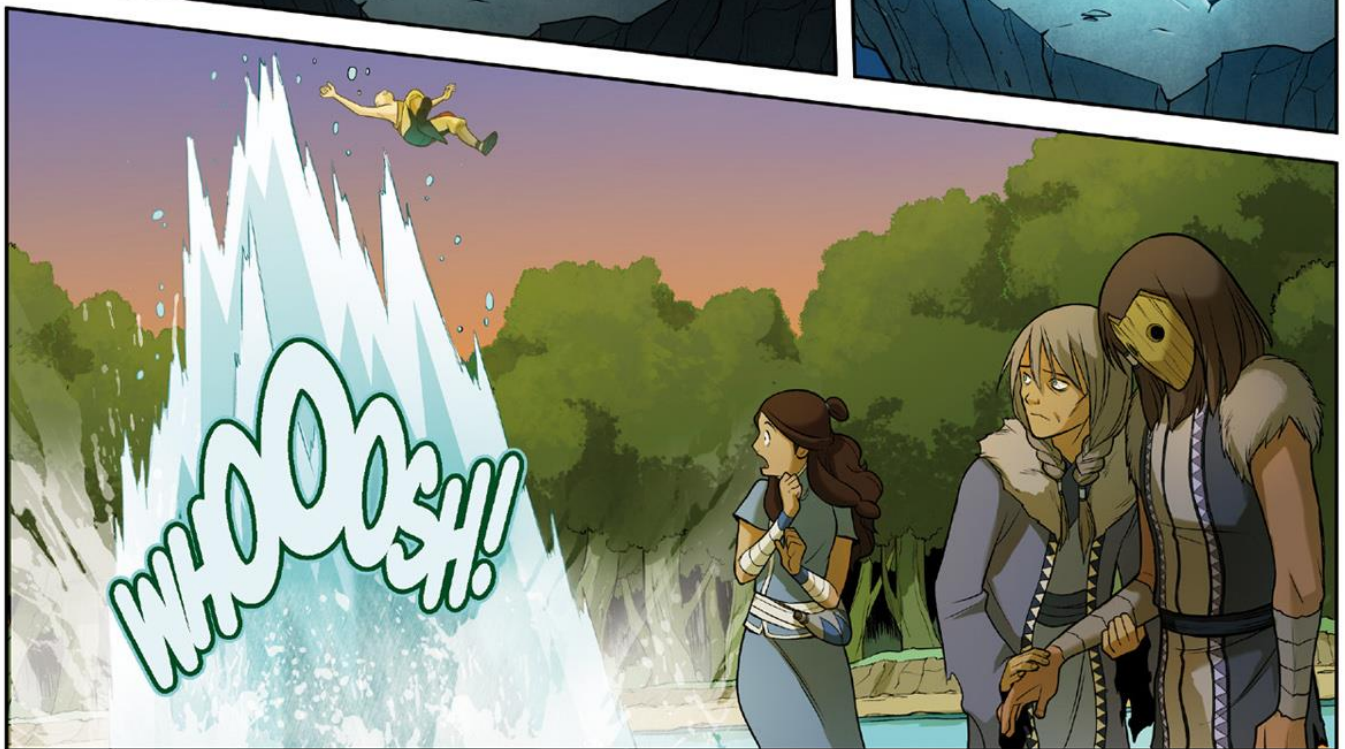
LET'S GO MEET THIS SPIRIT OF YOURS.



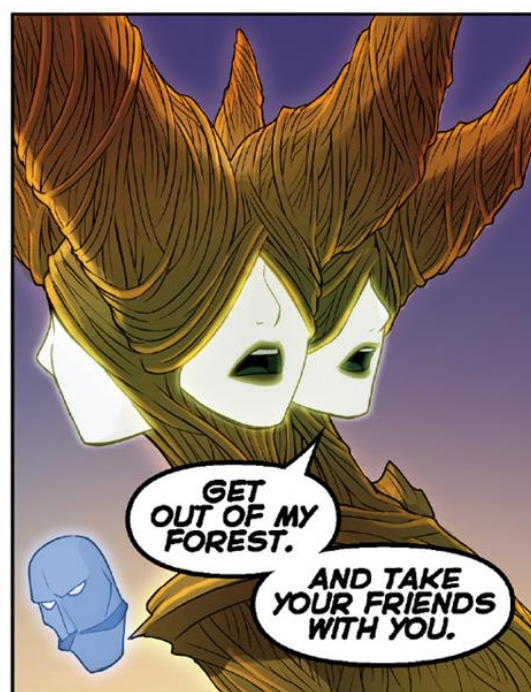
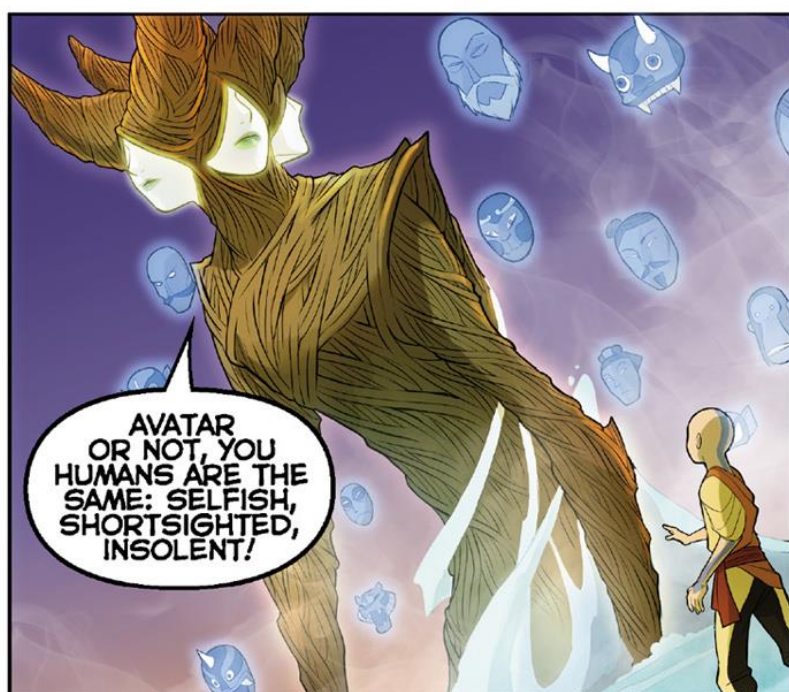
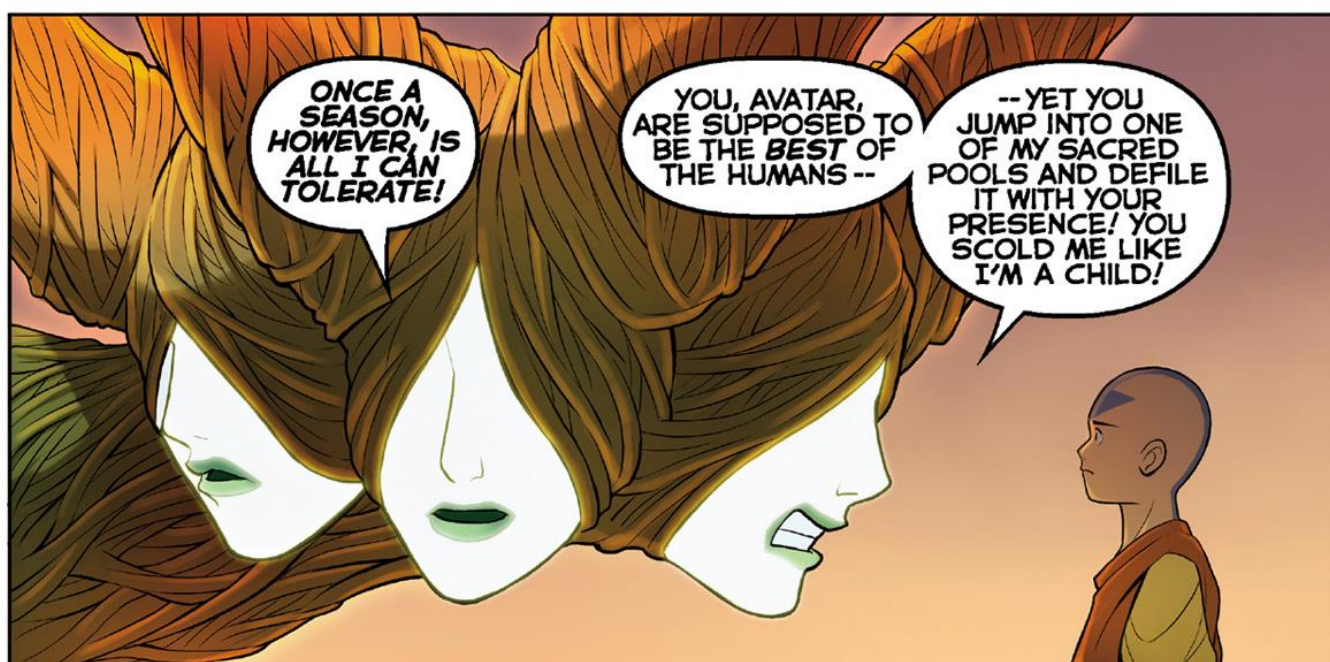










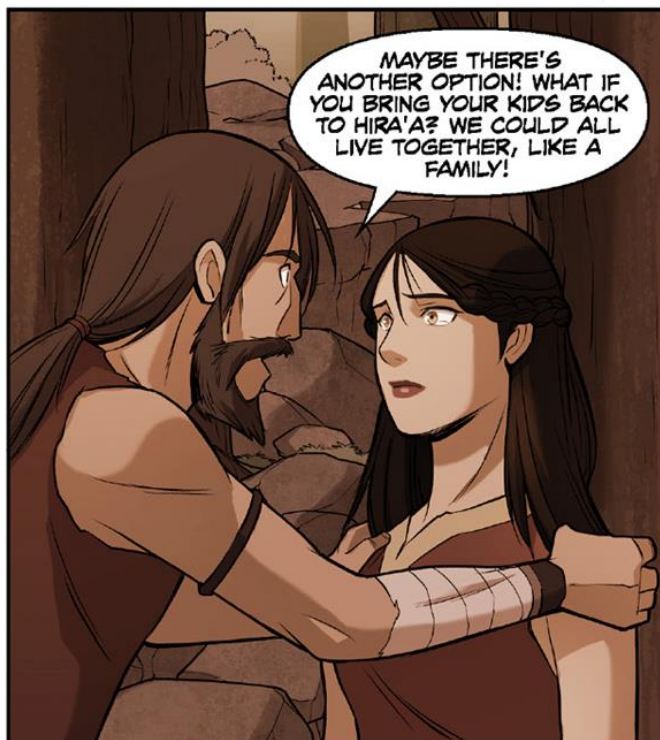


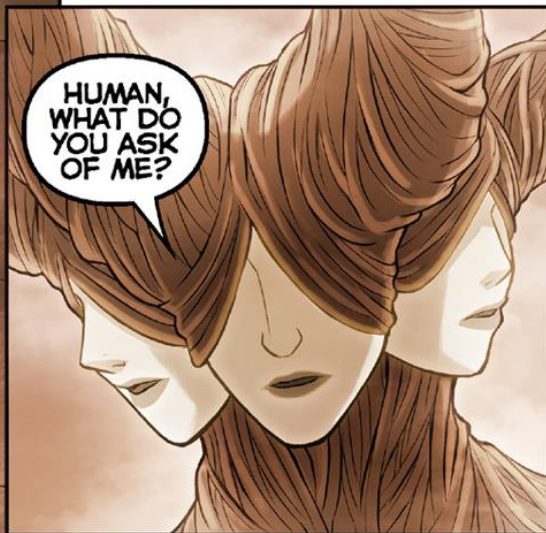
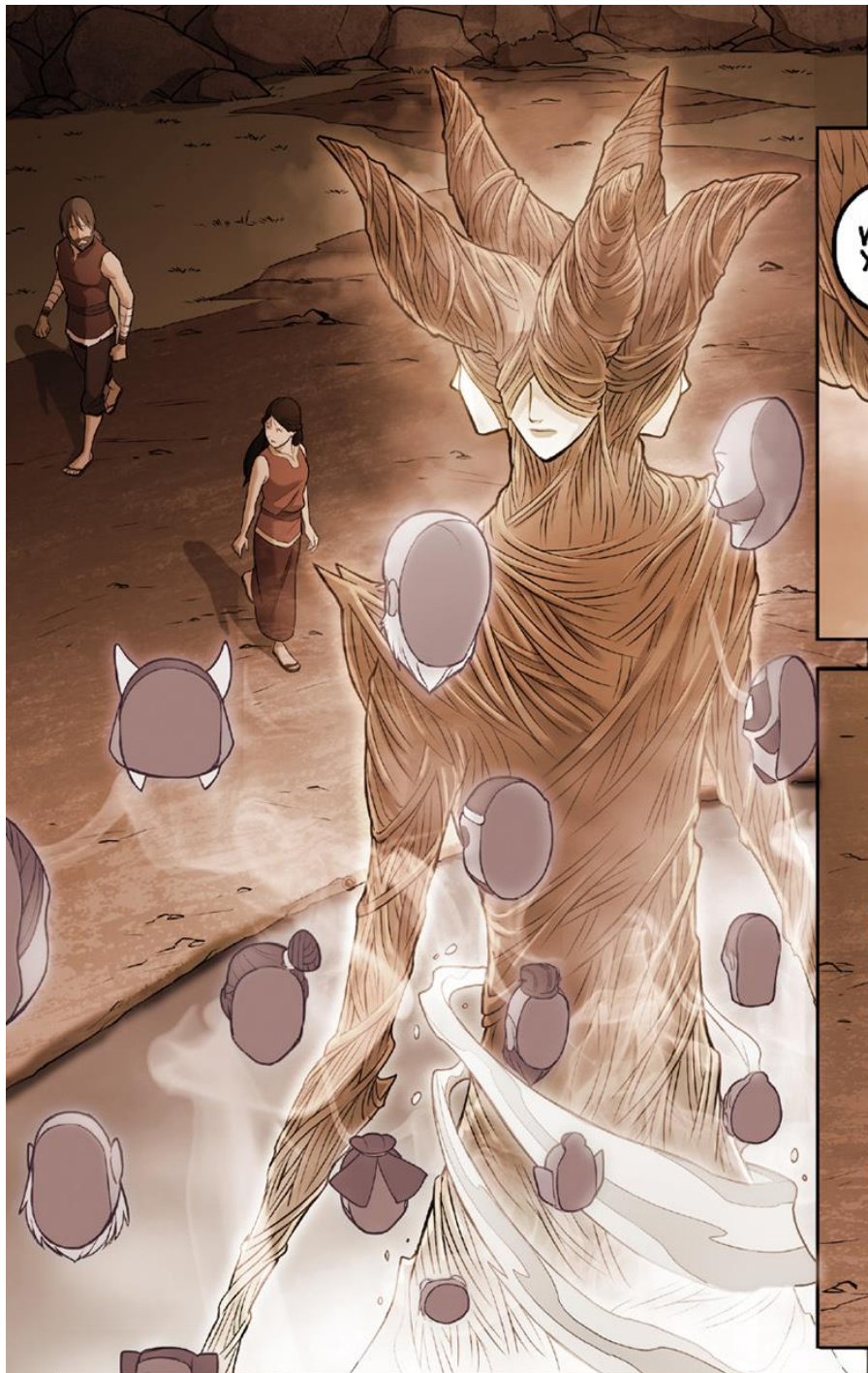


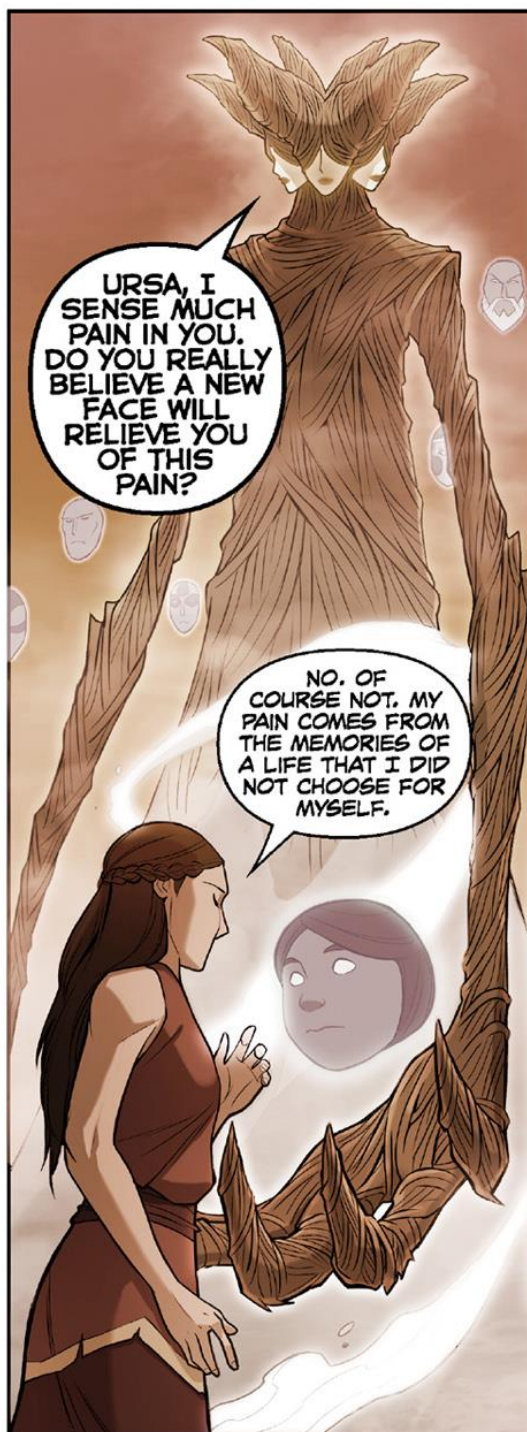






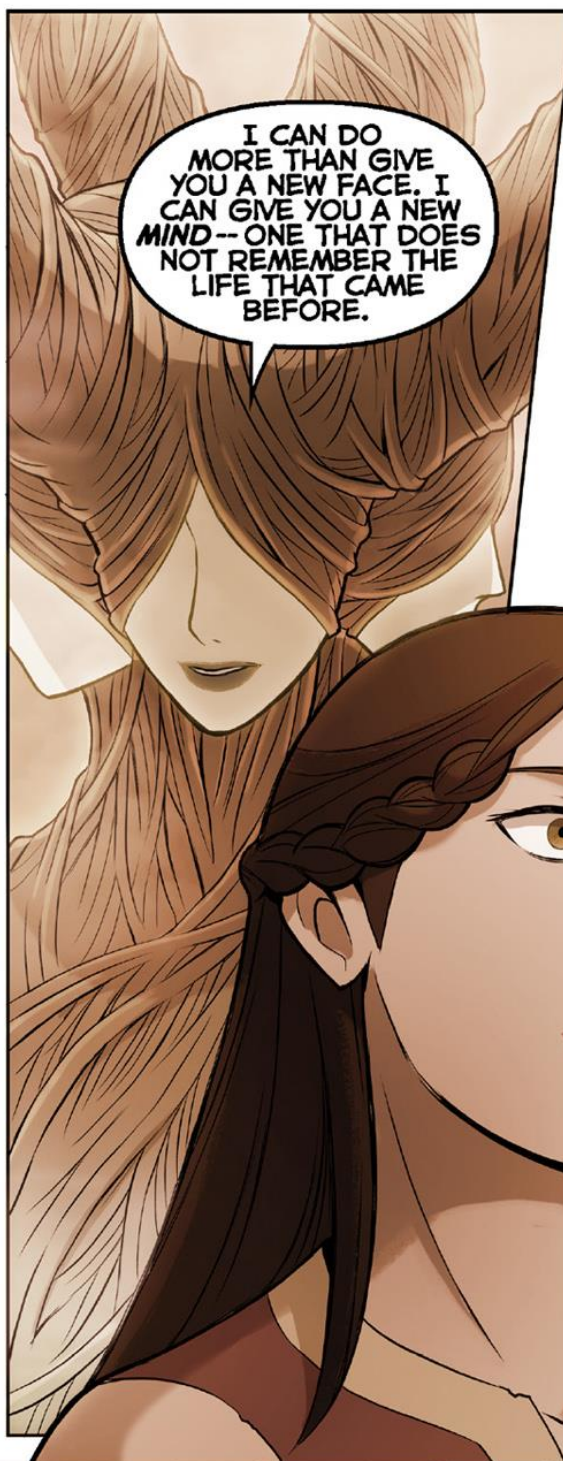






URSA, I SENSE MUCH PAIN IN YOU. DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE A NEW FACE WILL RELIEVE YOU OF THIS PAIN?

NO. OF COURSE NOT. MY PAIN COMES FROM THE MEMORIES OF A LIFE THAT I DID NOT CHOOSE FOR MYSELF.



I CAN DO MORE THAN GIVE YOU A NEW FACE. I CAN GIVE YOU A NEW MIND-- ONE THAT DOES NOT REMEMBER THE LIFE THAT CAME BEFORE.



WILL I REMEMBER HIM?

IS HE A PART OF THE LIFE YOU WISH TO FORGET?

NO.

THEN YOU WILL REMEMBER HIM.



HOW ABOUT MY CHILDREN? WILL I REMEMBER MY CHILDREN?

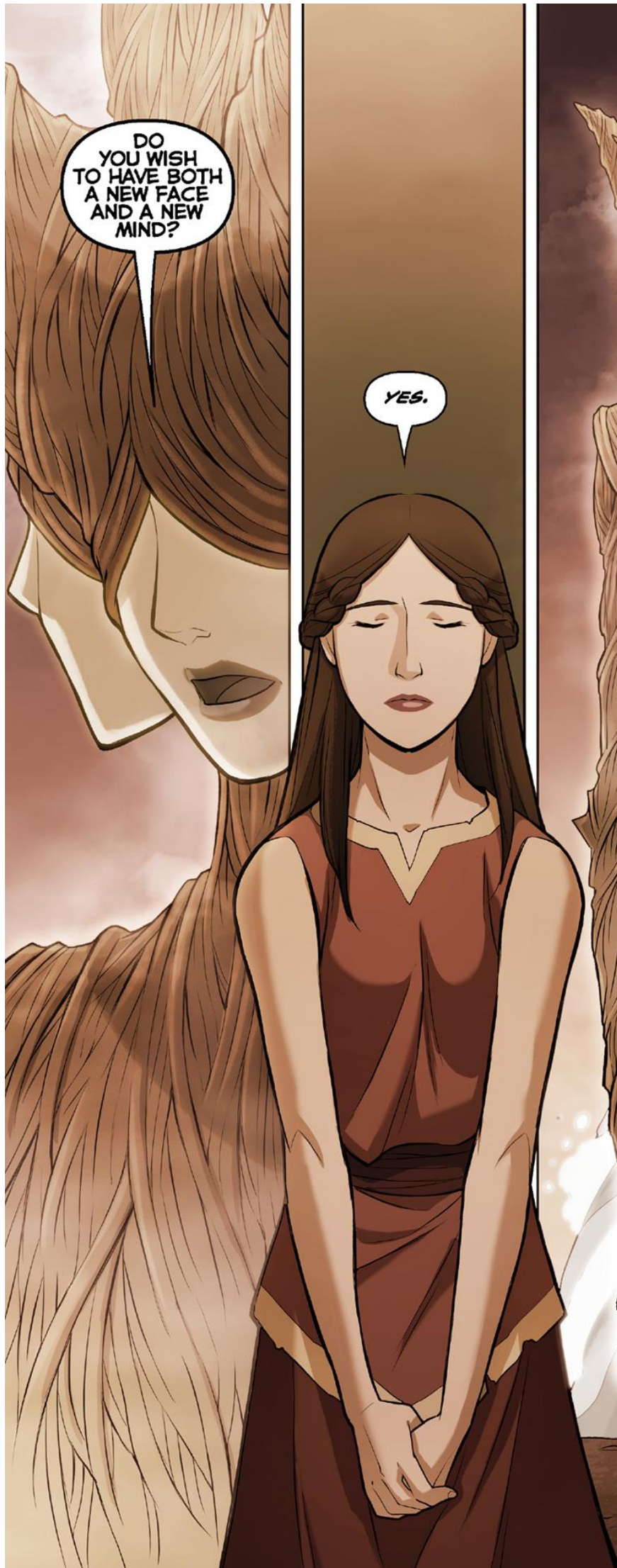
ARE THEY A PART OF THE LIFE YOU WISH TO FORGET?

YES.

THEN YOU WILL NOT REMEMBER THEM.

YOU MUST DECIDE.

ZUKO... AZULA... I'M SO HORRIBLE...

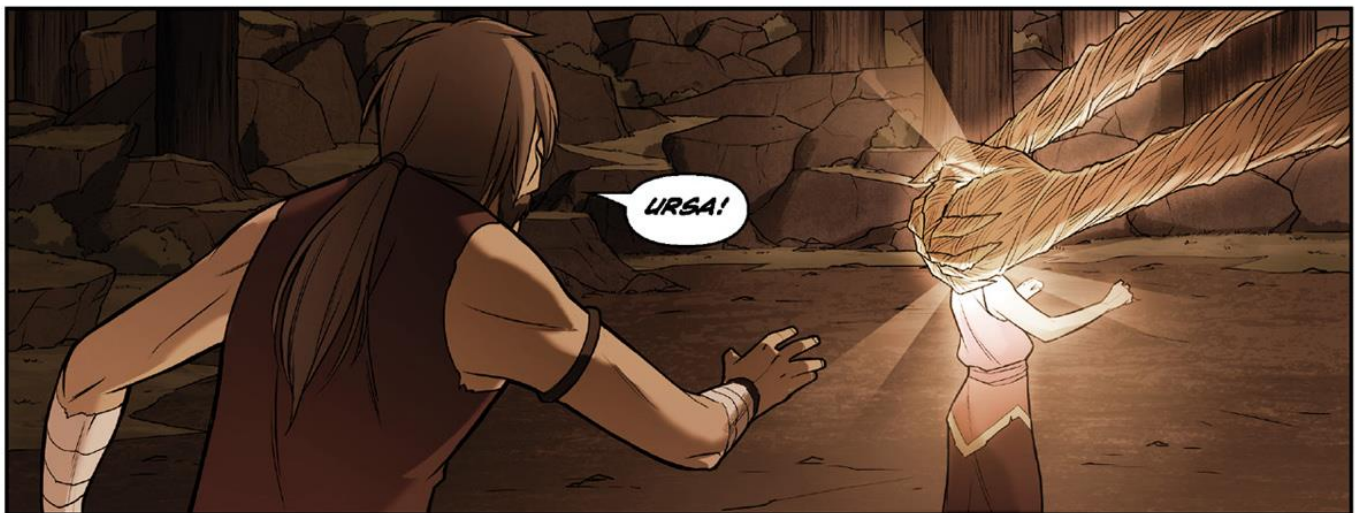
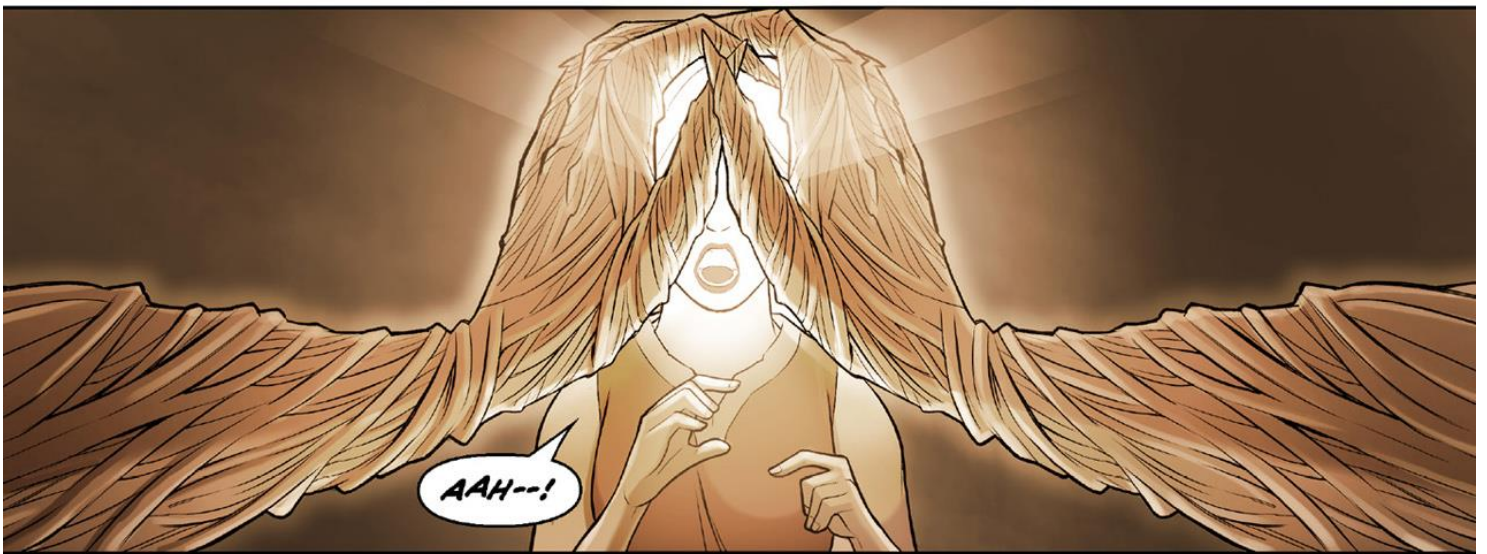
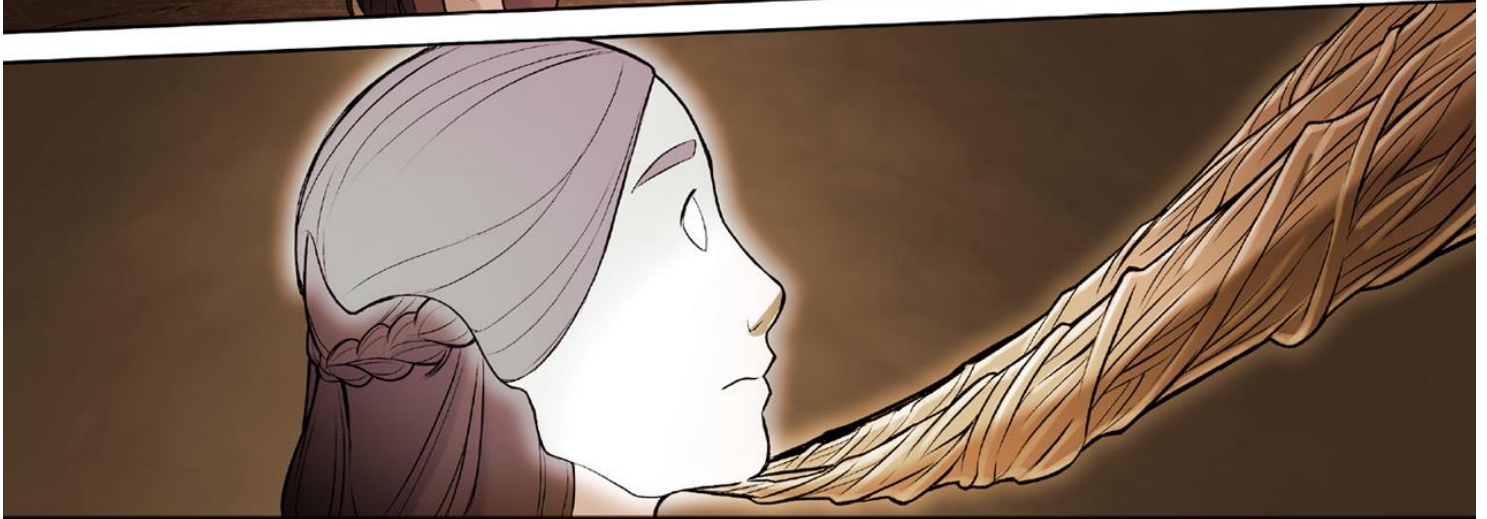


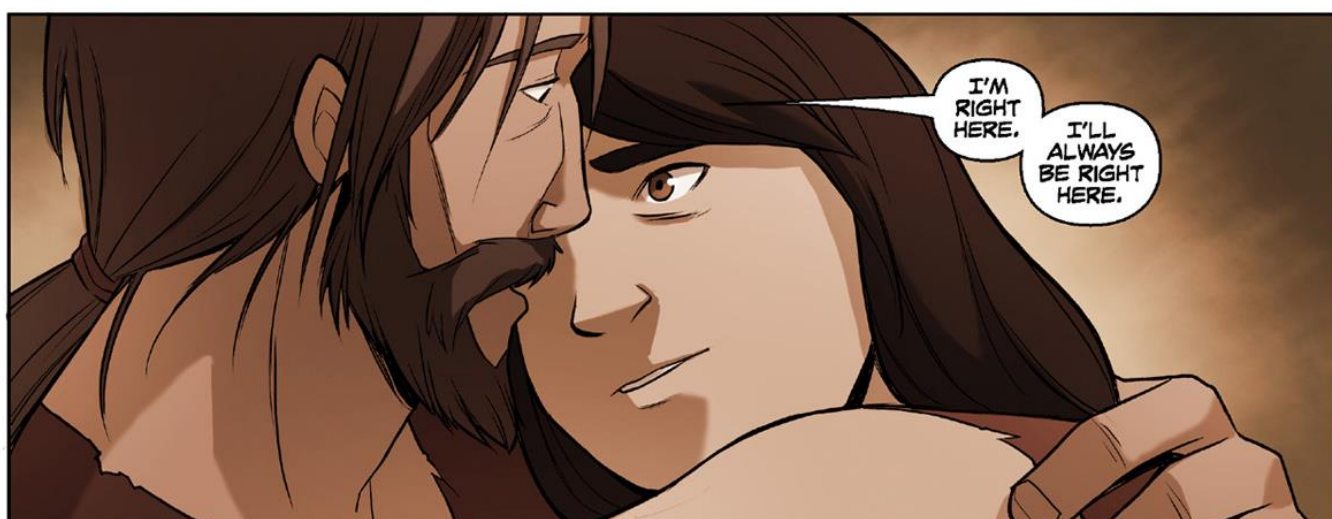
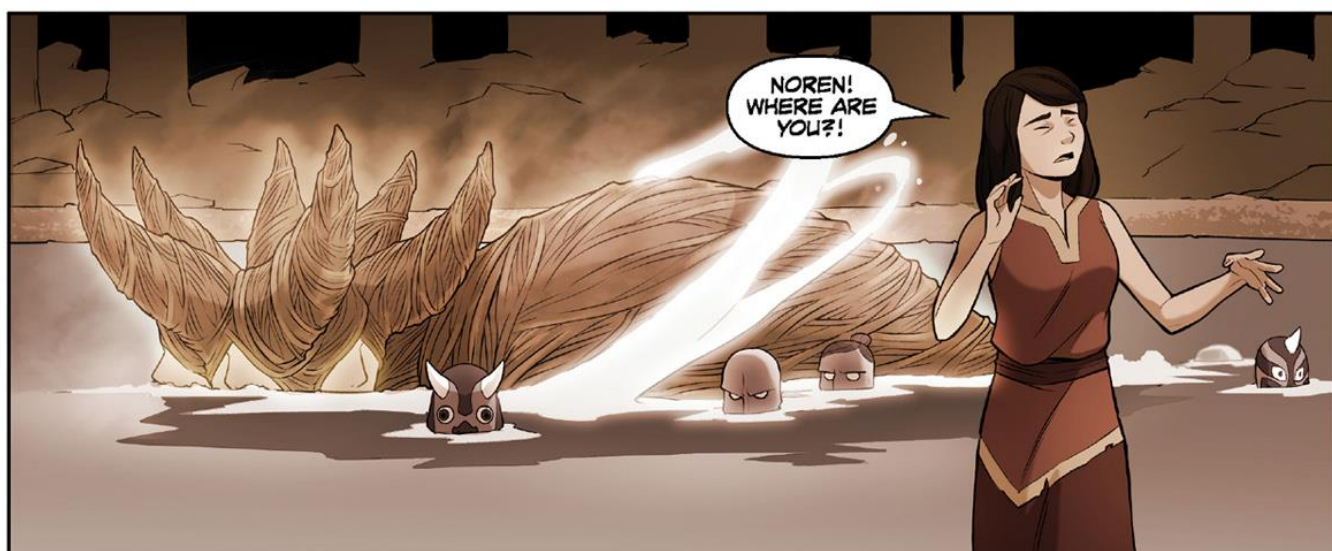
DO
YOU WISH
TO HAVE BOTH
A NEW FACE
AND A NEW
MIND?

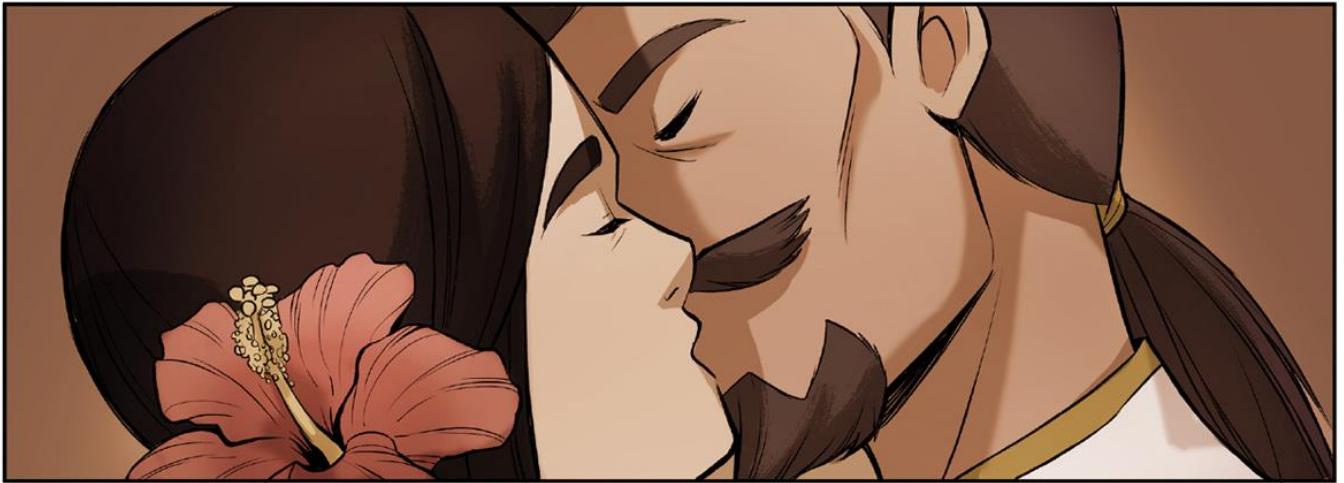
YES.



HOLD
STILL.





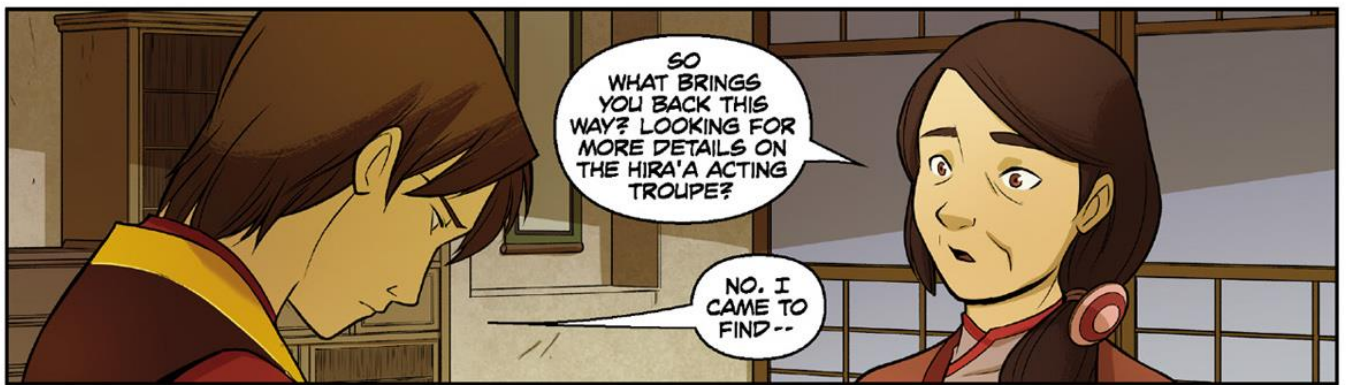










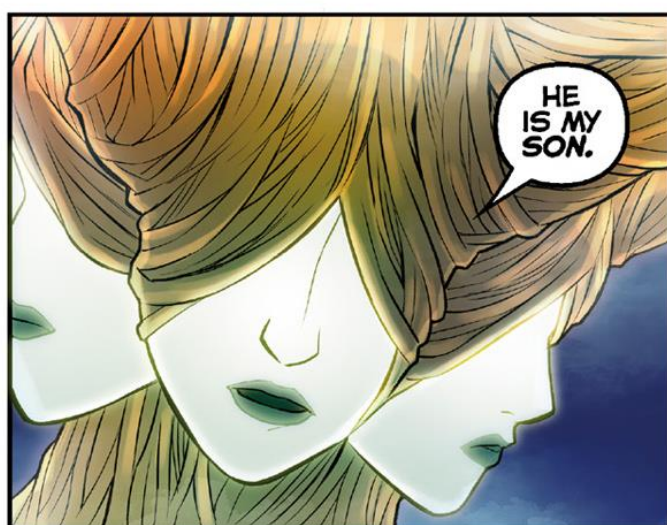


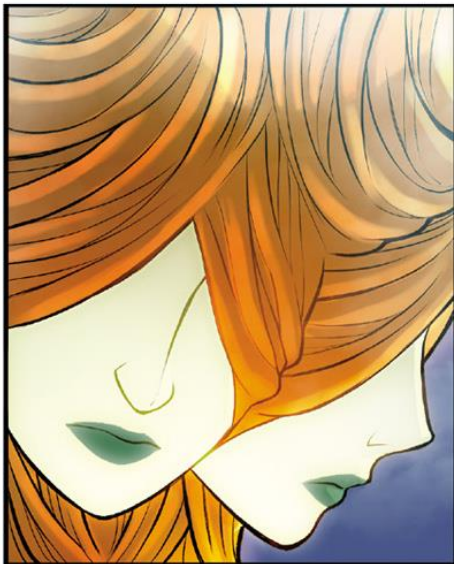


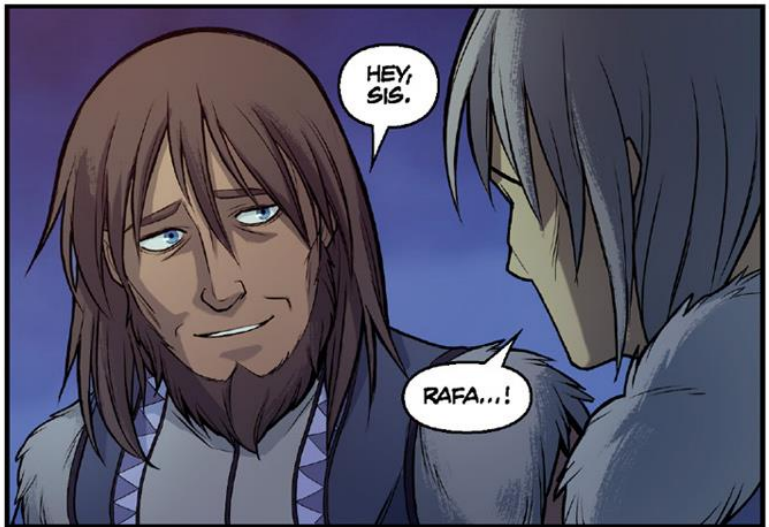
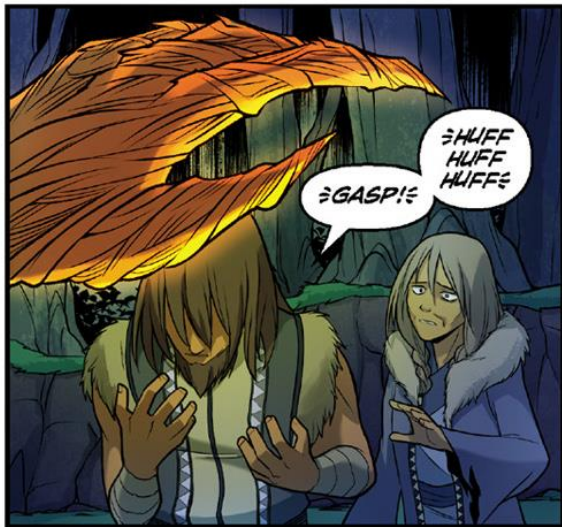












-- AND ANOTHER
BETWEEN A
MOTHER AND
A SON.



WHEN I SAW
YOU IN THE CROWD,
I RECOGNIZED YOU
IMMEDIATELY BECAUSE OF
YOUR SCAR. I HAD LEARNED
ALL I COULD ABOUT URSA'S
LIFE IN THE ROYAL PALACE.
I KNEW IT WOULD COME
BACK TO HAUNT US
SOMEDAY.



FORGIVE ME FOR NOT
CONFESSING THE WHOLE TRUTH
WHEN YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS
WERE HERE, FIRE LORD. I HAD
HOPED TO GIVE YOU ENOUGH
INFORMATION TO SATISFY YOU,
YET STILL PROTECT MY HOME
HERE WITH URSA.

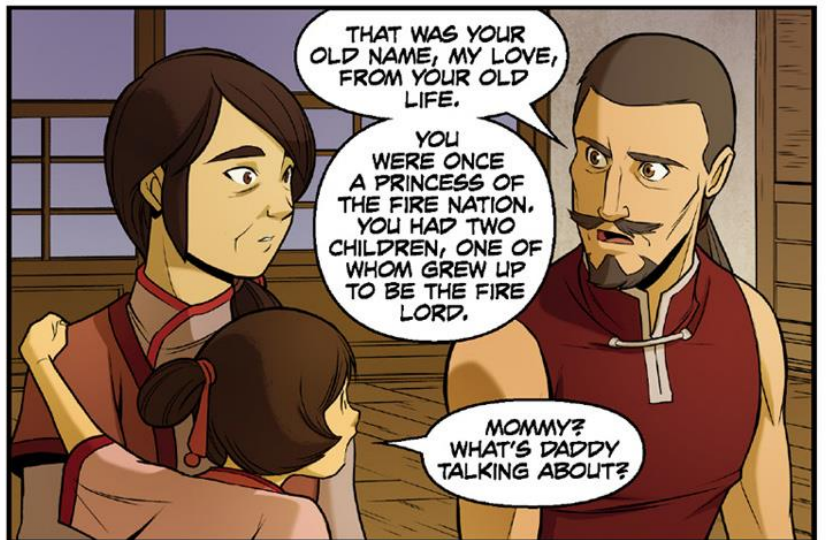


"URSA"... ?

THAT WAS YOUR
OLD NAME, MY LOVE,
FROM YOUR OLD
LIFE.

YOU
WERE ONCE
A PRINCESS OF
THE FIRE NATION.
YOU HAD TWO
CHILDREN, ONE OF
WHOM GREW UP
TO BE THE FIRE
LORD.

MOMMY?
WHAT'S DADDY
TALKING ABOUT?



YOU DON'T
REMEMBER ANY
OF THIS BECAUSE A
POWERFUL SPIRIT
ALTERED YOUR
MEMORIES.









I SAID
GET OUT OF
MY WAY!

NGH!



**YOU!
FINALLY!**

**I CAN'T
TELL YOU
HOW LONG
I'VE DREAMED
OF THIS
MOMENT!**



MOMMY!



**TELL ME,
MOTHER, DID
YOU HAVE TO HAVE
A NEW DAUGHTER
BECAUSE YOUR
LAST ONE TURNED
OUT TO BE SUCH
A MONSTER?!**



**STAY
BACK,
AZULA!**

**HA HA! BACK
FOR MORE,
SNOW PEASANT?!
WHERE'S YOUR
LITTLE TOY?**



**RIGHT
THERE.**





IT ALL
ENDS RIGHT
NOW!

WHUMP

I DON'T
KNOW...WHAT
YOU'RE...TALKING
ABOUT...



OH REALLY,
MOTHER?! SO I'VE
IMAGINED ALL THIS?
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN
TRYING TO TAKE ME
DOWN FROM THE
MOMENT I WAS
BORN?!



AZULA,
LET HER
GO!

STAY
BACK, ZUZU!
I'M WARNING
YOU!



IF WHAT YOU
SAY IS TRUE...IF
I REALLY AM YOUR
MOTHER...THEN I'M
SORRY I DIDN'T
LOVE YOU
ENOUGH.











NO, YOU'RE
WRONG.

OH,
STOP KIDDING
YOURSELF!

THE OTHER MORNING
WHEN YOU HAD ME OVER
THAT CLIFF, WHY DIDN'T YOU
JUST LET GO? YOU COULD'VE
GOTTEN RID OF ME AND
THIS LETTER!



IT WOULD
HAVE BEEN
SO EASY!

ADMIT IT!
YOU NEED ME
TO HELP YOU
BE FREE!



IN MY
HEART, I KNOW
--I'VE ALWAYS
KNOWN--



--THAT THE
THRONE IS MY
DESTINY.



THAT
MORNING ON
THE CLIFF...

AZULA,
OUR RELATIONSHIP
IS SO *MESSED UP*.
IT'S BEEN LIKE THAT
AS LONG AS I CAN
REMEMBER. AND MAYBE
IT'LL BE LIKE THAT
FOR THE REST OF
OUR LIVES.

BUT
ONE FACT
NEVER CHANGES,
NO MATTER WHAT,
YOU'RE STILL MY
SISTER.

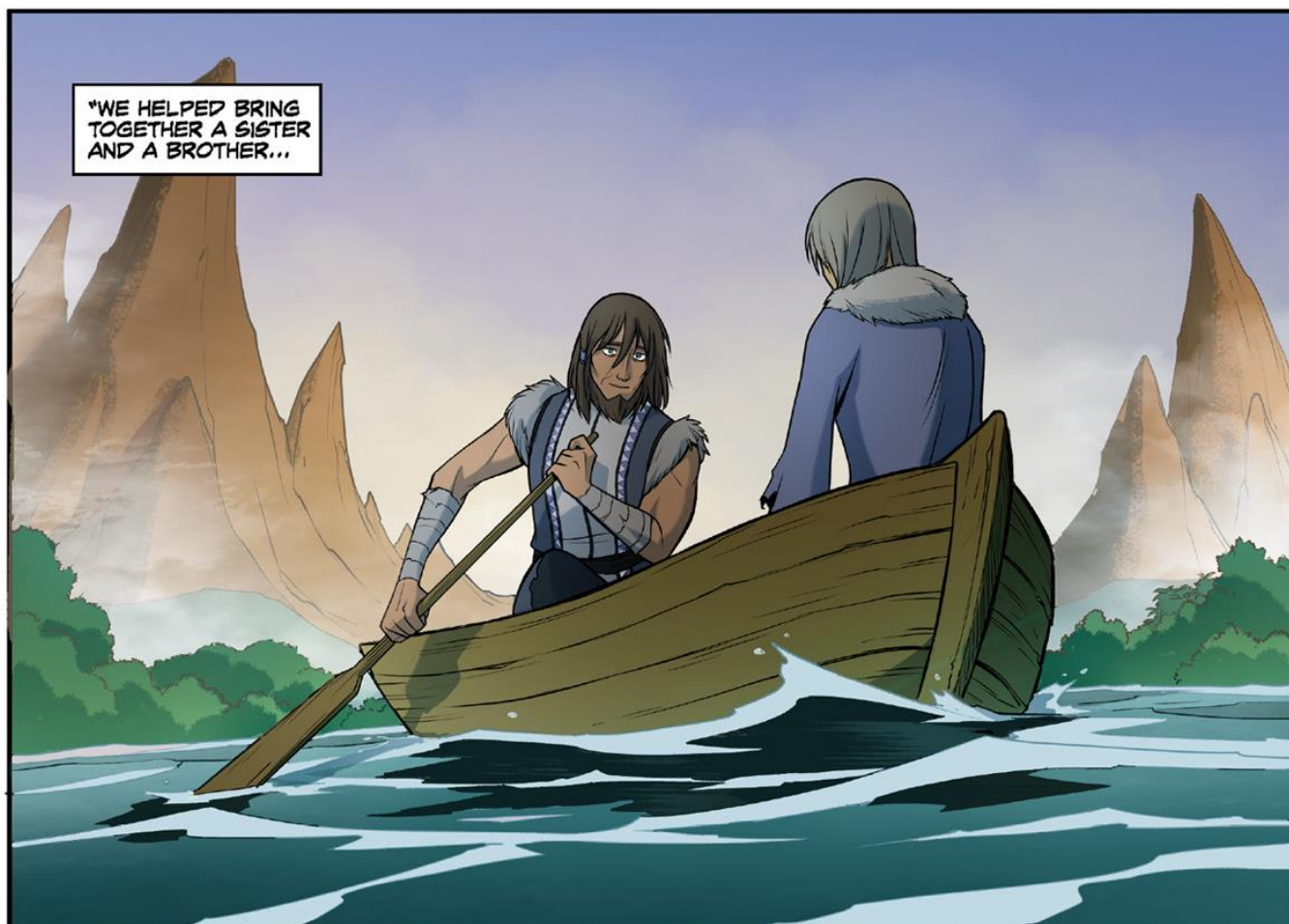




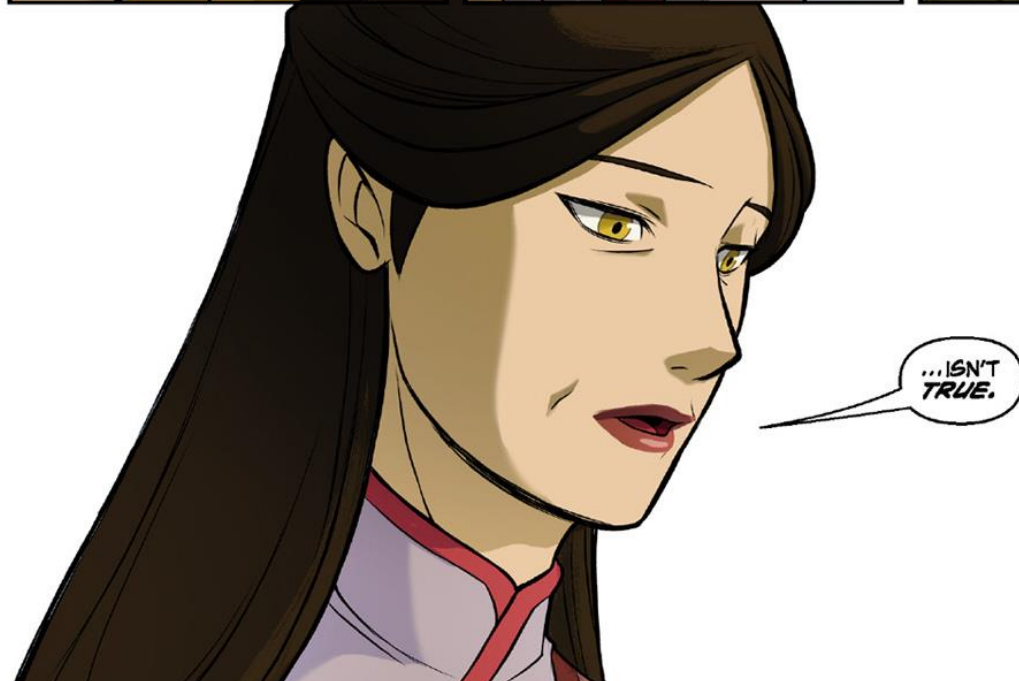






















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