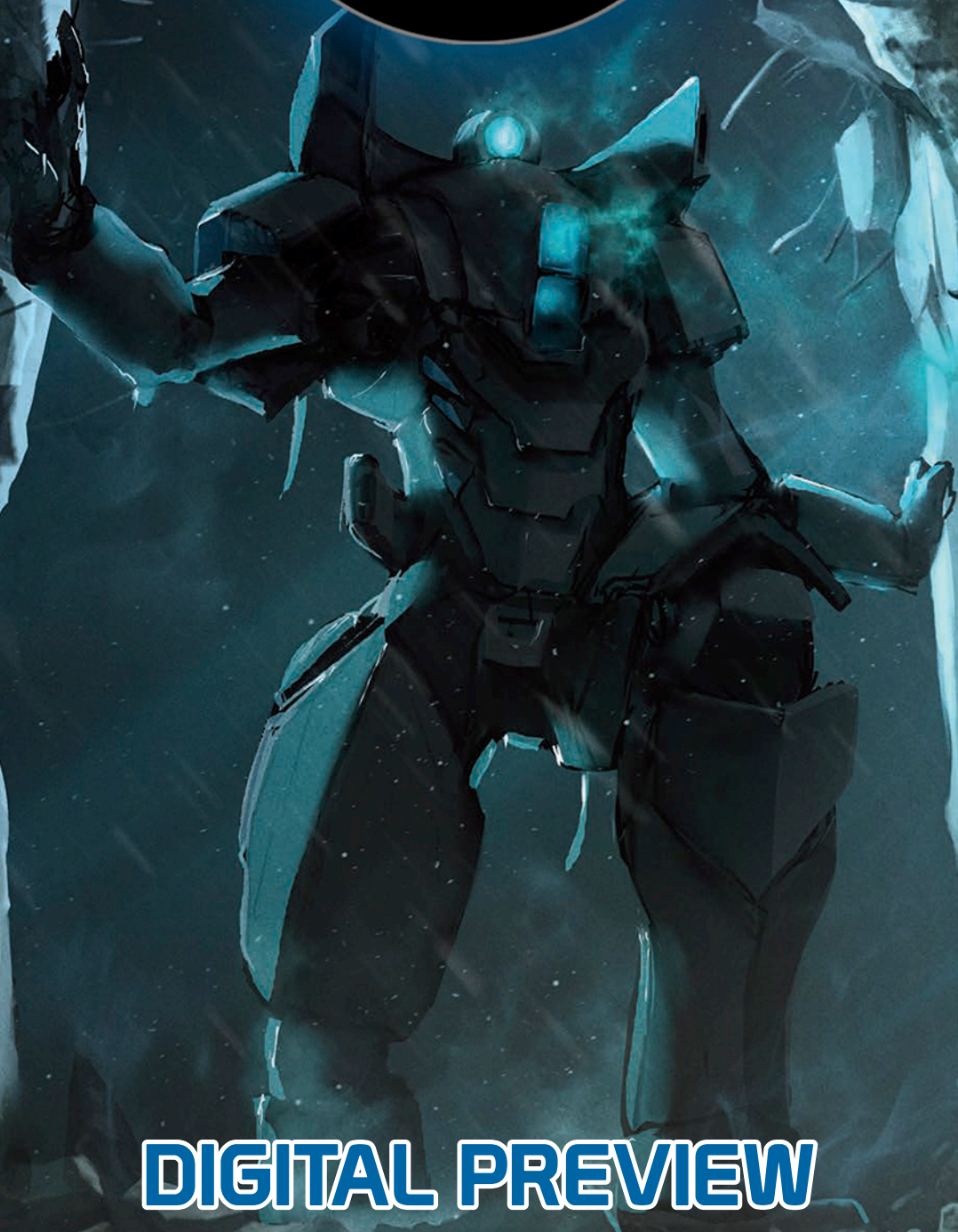


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GLOOM

THEY HIDE FEAR FROM SIGHT,
FLOWING TENTATIVELY IN THE GLOOM,
FLICKERING TENDRILS OF LIGHT,
LURKING DOOM.

AND ONCE SAVIOUR OF OUR PLIGHT,
SACRED SCRYER OF MANS ARC,
THE FOUNDATION OF OUR MIGHT,
ALL FORGOTTEN IN THE DARK.

AND THEY WALKED THE FORBIDDEN PATH,
TO SPAWN AN UNTHINKING CREATION,
AND BORN FROM THE VOID WAS WRATH,
UPON US A BLIGHTED DESOLATION.

UNDER THE BOSOM OF THE EARTH,
TO SET THE WRONGS OF NATURE RIGHT,
THOSE FOREVER CURSED GAVE BIRTH,
AND BROUGHT FORTH THE SHEILD OF NIGHT.

AND NO LONGER CAN THE GAMBIT REST,
WITH DEADLY HOPE CLASPED IN HAND,
FORBIDDEN STAR IN UNYIELDING CHEST,
IT WALKS UPON THE LAND.

MAY THEIR ARMS NEVER LANGUISH,
FOR EVERY ONE BY CRIMSON HAND TAKEN,
THE RAVAGED EARTH BLEEDS IN ANGLISH,
AND THE RED SKY IN OUR HEARTS AWAKEN.



HOW DOES IT LOOK?



*NOTHING HERE BUT US
CHICKENS.*



THERE SHOULD BE AN
INTERSECTION UP AHEAD-



/POSSIBLE TARGET AHEAD.
/SET UP FIRE SUPPORT.

/REAR PASSIVE SENSOR.
/HIGH ENERGY EMISSION
/END HIBERNATE

/THREAT IDENTIFIED.
/REACTOR EMERGENCY
CRASH START
/SYSTEM END READY
STATE
/ENGAGING TARGET.





I'M IN POSITION. LIGHT IT UP.

/ TARGET MARKED

- FIRING -



UNAUTHORIZED FLYING VEHICLE, ENGAGING



SOLID HIT



TARGET DISABLED.

IT DIDN'T EVEN SPAZZ OUT.
NO EASY LAUGHS, CHEAP
THRILLS...



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