THE Y FILES
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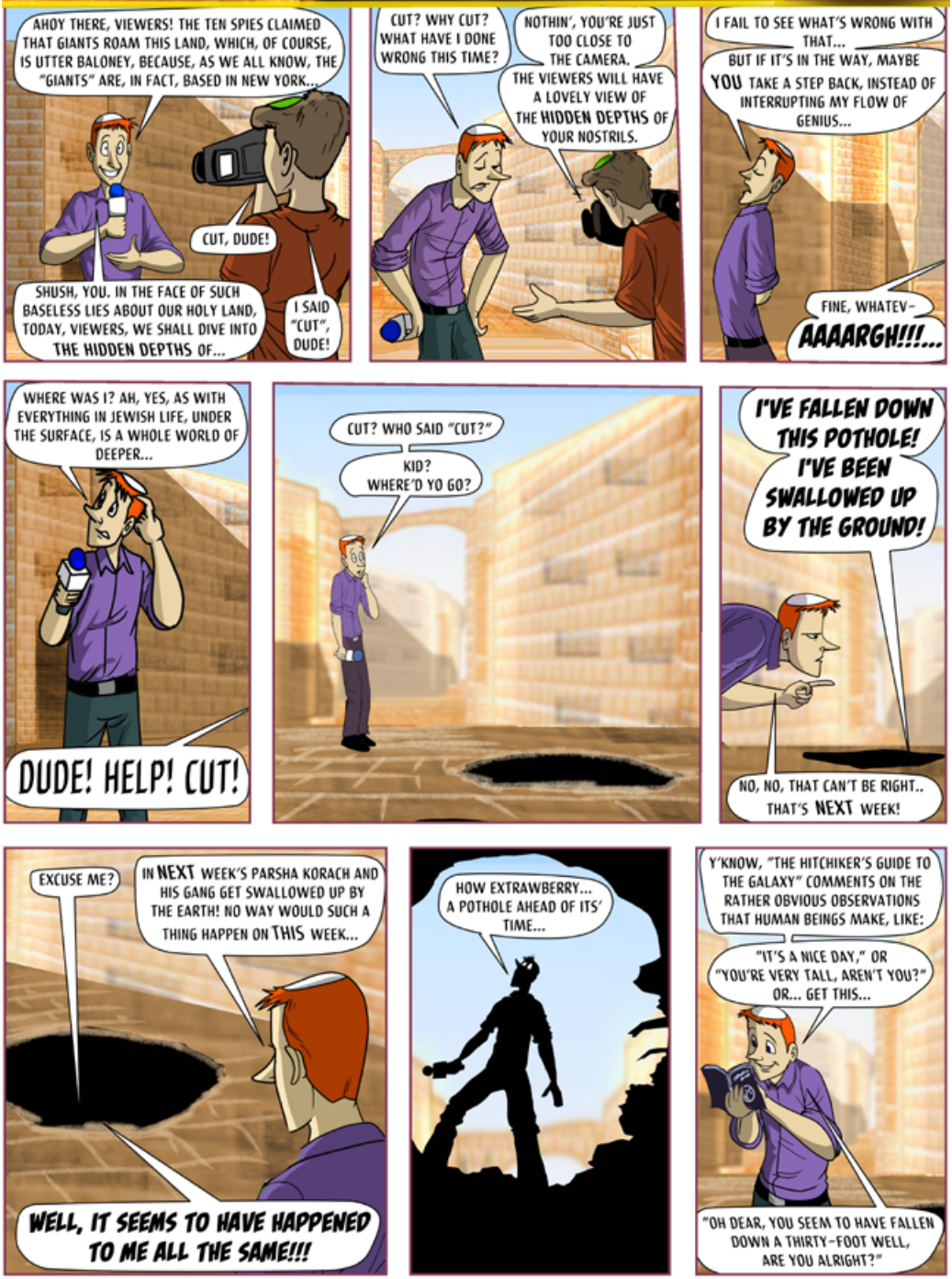

GREAT. WELL, IF THAT'S YOUR WAY OF SHOWING SYMPATHY, DUDE... WELL... I CAN'T SAY I'M SURPRISED...

NOW HOW ABOUT HELPING ME UP OUT OF HERE?

HMM... THINKING... THINKING... YOU'LL HAVE TO FORGIVE ME, THIS DOESNT COME NATURALLY TO ME...

I'LL BELIEVE THAT...

HURRY UP, DUDE! THERE'S A RAT DOWN HERE THAT'S GIVING ME A "HARD STARE"...

I'VE GOT IT! EUREKA! I'VE GOT IT!!

YEAH?

BEING SWALLOWED UP BY THE GROUND IS RELEVANT FOR PARASHAT SHALCH, AFTER ALL!!

WAIT... WHAT?

THE SPIES SAY TO MOSHE THAT "IT IS A LAND THAT DEVOURS ITS INHABITANTS", RIGHT?

WHICH IS A TERRIBLE THING TO SAY AGAINST OUR PRECIOUS HOLY LAND, ISN'T IT?

"GIANTS", THEY SAID... "PLAGUES", THEY SAID...

DUUUUUUDE...

BUT REBBE NACHMAN OF BRESLOV SAYS THAT IF IT APPEARS IN THE TORAH, THERE MUST BE SOME TRUTH IN IT!

IT IS, IN FACT, A WONDERFUL COMPLIMENT FOR THE LAND! (EXCEPT THAT THE SPIES OBVOUSLY DIDN'T MEAN I TO BE...)

THE LAND OF ISRAEL "ENVELOPES" ANYONE WHO LIVES IN IT, AND "DIGESTS" THEM INTO ITS OWN HOLINESS! WE DON'T JUST LIVE ON THE LAND, WE LIVE IN THE LAND, WE BECOME COMPLETELY AT ONE WITH ITS HOLINESS!

YEAH, COOL, GREAT, THANKS FOR THAT, DUDE, REAL INSPIRING AND ALL...

DOESN'T THAT JUST SEND A CHILL DOWN YOUR SPINE, WHAT A PRIVILEGE IT IS TO LIVE IN THIS LAND OF G-D?

TOTALLY. HEY, Y'KNOW WHAT ELSE SENDS A CHILL DOWN MY SPINE? THE DRIP OF THIS SEPTIC TANK DIRECTLY ABOVE ME...

OH, DON'T BE SUCH A GROUCH, KID! GRAB HOLD OF THIS ROPE...

THINK HOW LUCKY YOU ARE! SOME PEOPLE LIVE THEIR LIVES CONSUMED BY ANGER, OR BY HATRED...

...WHEREAS YOU, MR. KID, ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO LIVE HERE, WHERE THE ONLY THING CONSUMING US IS THE HOLY LAND, WHICH...

...FAR FROM HAVING GIANTS ON IT... IN ITS HIDDEN DEPTHS ARE THE HOLIEST AND GODLIEST...

...SEWEGE ZOMBIES!!! DON'T EAT ME!!!

WHA...? DUDE...!

SOMEONE GET ME THE CONSUMER'S HELPLINE!