

LISTEN. I'M GOING TO TAKE--

PLEASE ALLOW ME TO SPEAK.

NO. YOU LISTEN TO ME. I'M IN CHARGE AND WE HAVE TO BACK OFF THE CASE FOR THE TIME BEING.

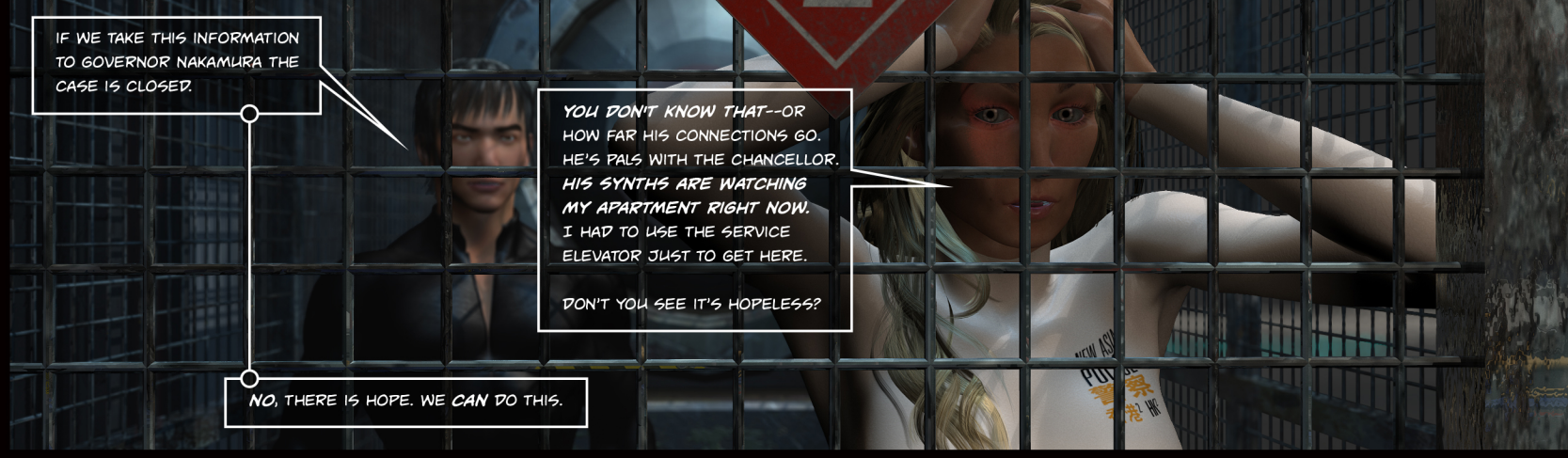
THAT'S IRRATIONAL. I'VE MADE A POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION. DR. COLBERT'S ASSAILANT AND THE SERIAL RAPIST ARE THE SAME.



I KNOW. IT'S LEE CHEN. HE GAVE ME A FULL CONFESSION MINUTES AGO--AT THE SAME TIME HE THREATENED MY DAUGHTER.

I HAVE HIS MEMORY PRINTS OF THE ATTACK ON DR. COLBERT. ONE HUNDRED PERCENT CONFIRMATION OF A CAPITAL CRIME.

HE HAS CREATED HIS OWN T-CLASS SYNTHETIC ALMOST EXACTLY LIKE ME. IT'S NAME IS DAI AND SERVES AS THE COLONEL'S SURROGATE. THE COLONEL KEEPS THESE EXPERIENCES FOR HIS OWN USE.

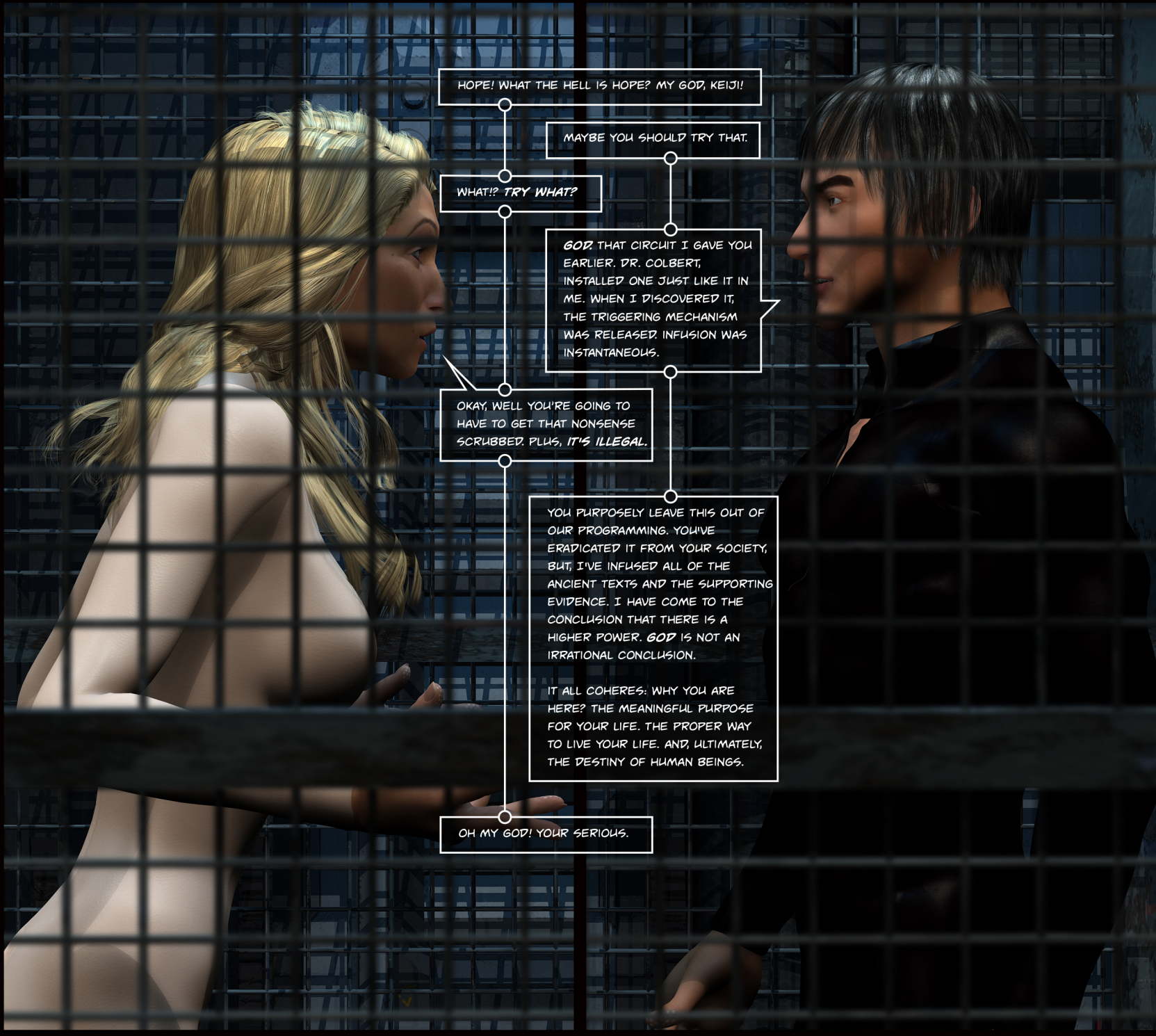


IF WE TAKE THIS INFORMATION TO GOVERNOR NAKAMURA THE CASE IS CLOSED.

YOU DON'T KNOW THAT--OR HOW FAR HIS CONNECTIONS GO. HE'S PALS WITH THE CHANCELLOR. HIS SYNTHS ARE WATCHING MY APARTMENT RIGHT NOW. I HAD TO USE THE SERVICE ELEVATOR JUST TO GET HERE.

DON'T YOU SEE IT'S HOPELESS?

NO, THERE IS HOPE. WE CAN DO THIS.



HOPE! WHAT THE HELL IS HOPE? MY GOD, KEIJI!

MAYBE YOU SHOULD TRY THAT.

WHAT!? TRY WHAT?

GOD. THAT CIRCUIT I GAVE YOU EARLIER. DR. COLBERT, INSTALLED ONE JUST LIKE IT IN ME. WHEN I DISCOVERED IT, THE TRIGGERING MECHANISM WAS RELEASED. INFUSION WAS INSTANTANEOUS.

OKAY, WELL YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO GET THAT NONSENSE SCRUBBED. PLUS, IT'S ILLEGAL.

YOU PURPOSELY LEAVE THIS OUT OF OUR PROGRAMMING. YOU'VE ERADICATED IT FROM YOUR SOCIETY, BUT, I'VE INFUSED ALL OF THE ANCIENT TEXTS AND THE SUPPORTING EVIDENCE. I HAVE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT THERE IS A HIGHER POWER. GOD IS NOT AN IRRATIONAL CONCLUSION.

IT ALL COHERES: WHY YOU ARE HERE? THE MEANINGFUL PURPOSE FOR YOUR LIFE. THE PROPER WAY TO LIVE YOUR LIFE. AND, ULTIMATELY, THE DESTINY OF HUMAN BEINGS.

OH MY GOD! YOUR SERIOUS.