

CHAPTER FOUR
THE
**MASTER
SWORD**

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I CAN'T
CRACK ITS
ARMORED
SHELL!



IT'S NO USE!

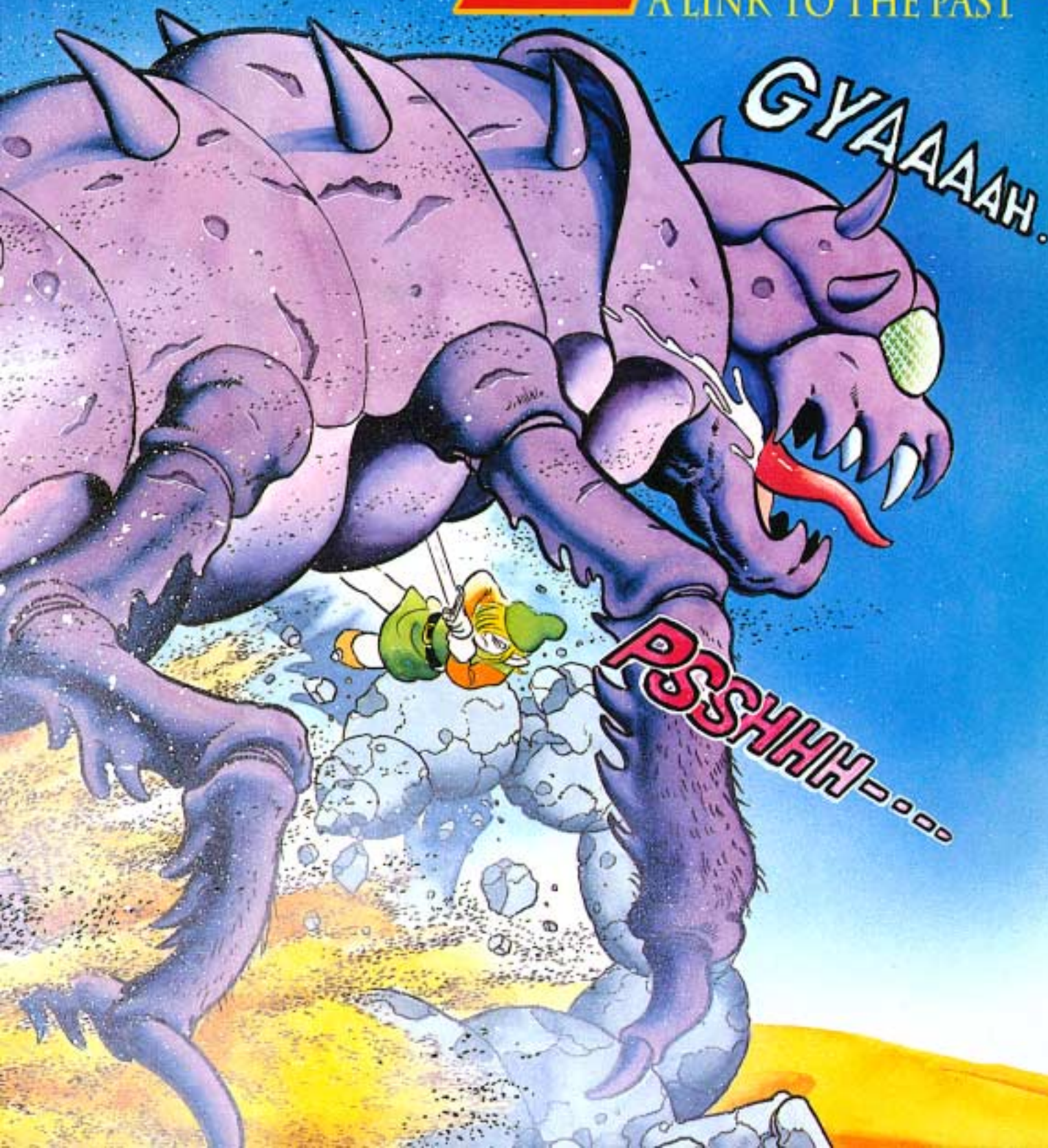
GRRROAARR!



A-HA!



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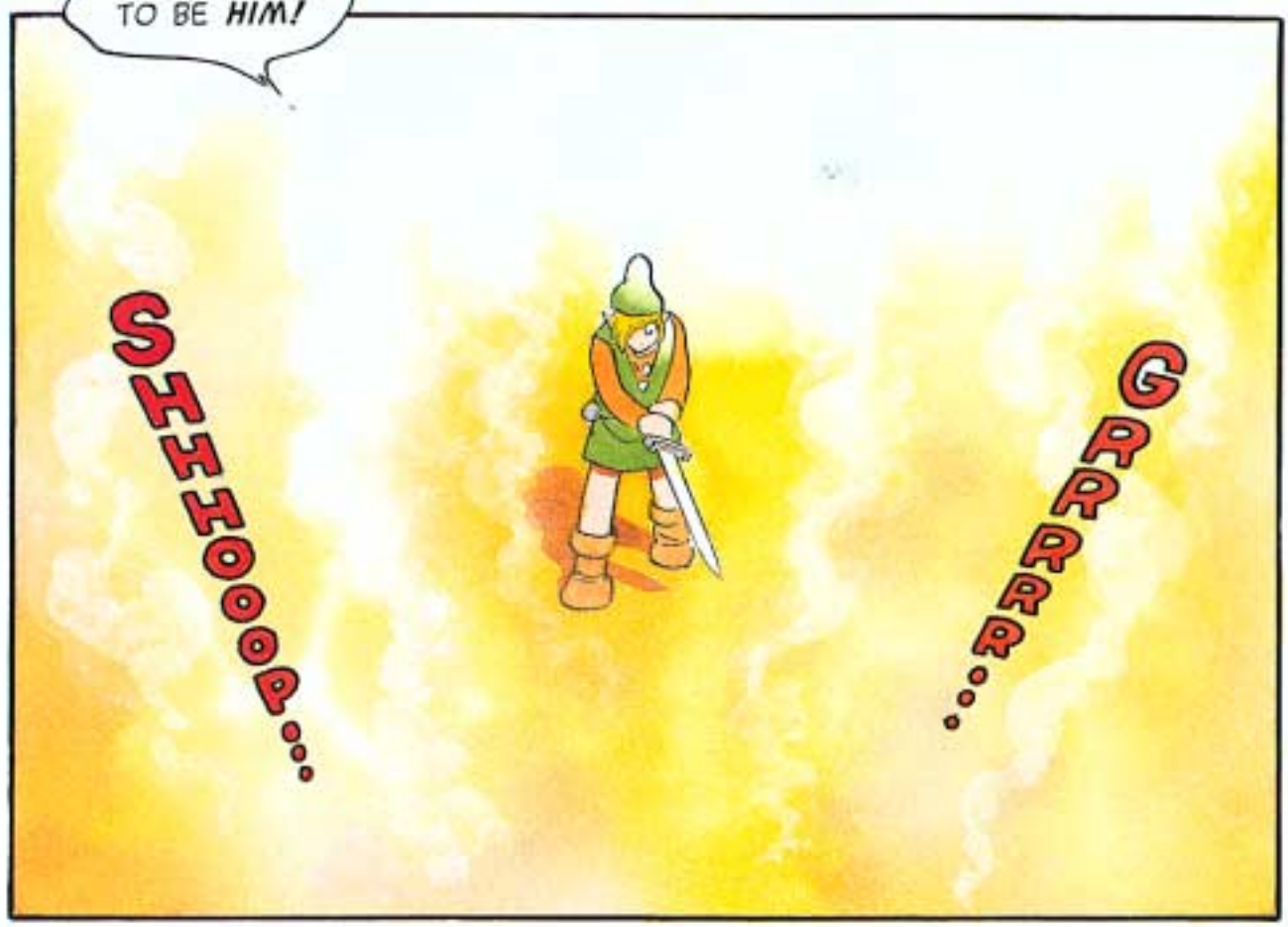


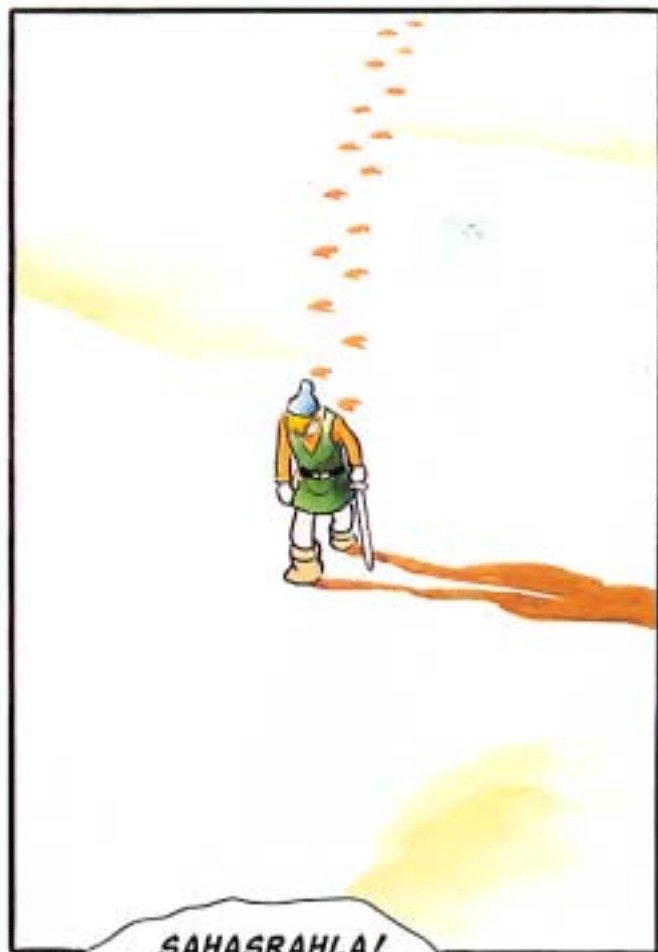
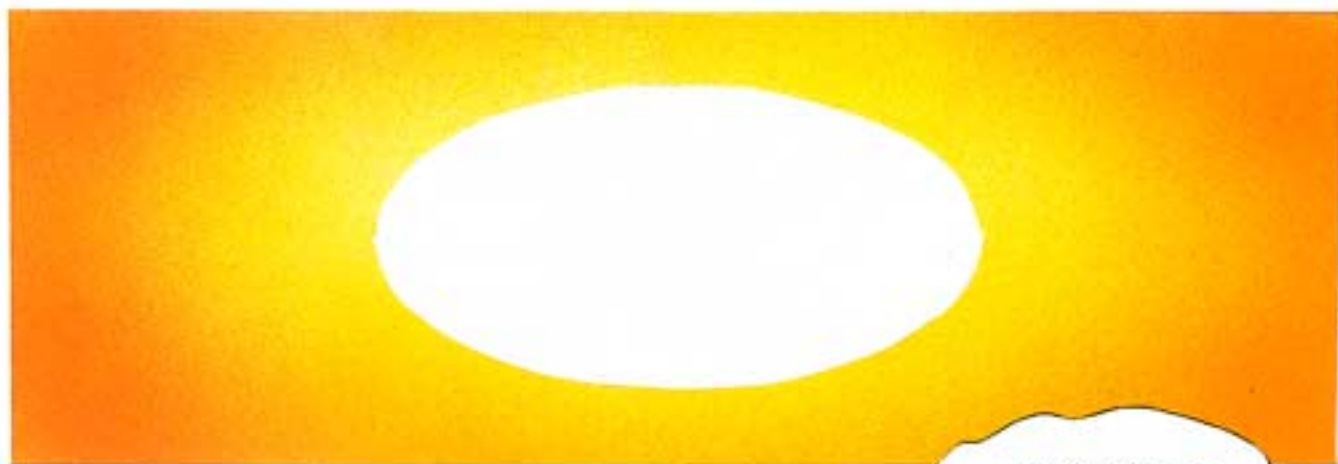
GYAAAAAH.

PSHHH...



IT'S GOING TO BE HIM!

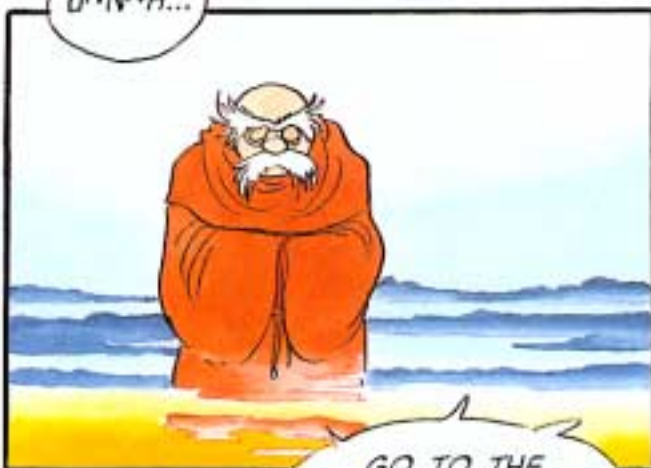




**PANT
PANT**

THIS DESERT
GOES ON
FOREVER!

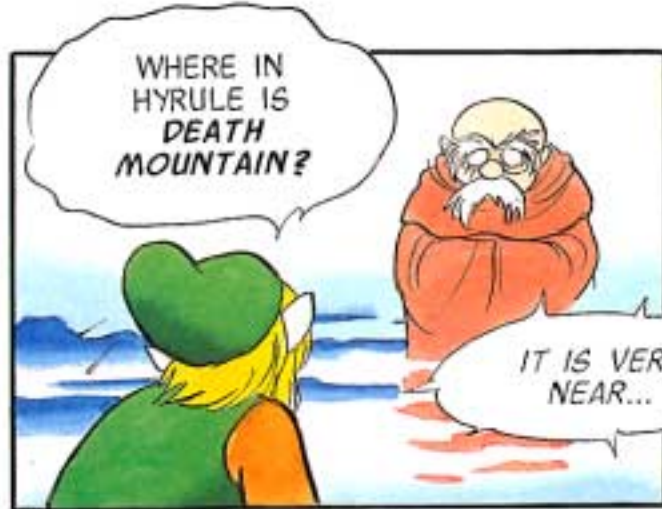
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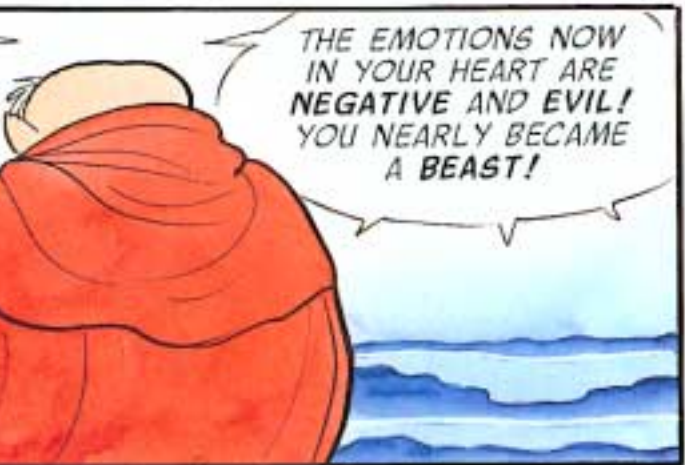


SAHASRAHLA!
AM I GLAD TO SEE
YOU! I NEED
WATER!

**LINK! YOUR
PRIORITY SHOULD
BE FINDING THE
NEXT
PENDANT...**

**GO TO THE
TOWER OF HERA
ATOP DEATH
MOUNTAIN...**





YOU PENETRATED THE GATE TO THE DARK WORLD... THAT WICKED REALM HAS THE POWER TO CHANGE YOUR BODY TO REFLECT YOUR HEART...

THE EMOTIONS NOW IN YOUR HEART ARE NEGATIVE AND EVIL! YOU NEARLY BECAME A BEAST!

BUT SAHASRAHLA,
AGAHNIM KILLED MY
UNCLE! AND NOW
HE'S HOLDING
ZELDA!

ONLY ONE
FORCE IS STRONG
ENOUGH TO OPPOSE
EVIL AND
HATRED!

YES, LINK, BUT
YOU CAN NEVER WIN
WITH HATRED ALONE...
EVEN IF YOU WERE
VICTORIOUS, DARKNESS
WOULD CONSUME
YOU!

HMMM...

LINK!

WHAT HAPPENED
TO SAHASRAHLA?!

NOW ZELDA!
MORE
ILLUSIONS?!

WHY ARE
YOU HERE?!

WE ARE IN OUR
DREAM...IF TWO
PEOPLE DREAM THE
SAME THING, THEY
WILL MEET...

DREAMS...
MIRAGES...IT'S
ALL SO
CONFUSING!

IT'S MAKING
ME EVEN MORE
EXHAUSTED
THINKING
ABOUT IT!

THIS IS
A DREAM?



THE
TOWER OF
HERA!

IT LOOKS
LIKE MY *TROUBLES*
ARE BEGINNING
AGAIN!

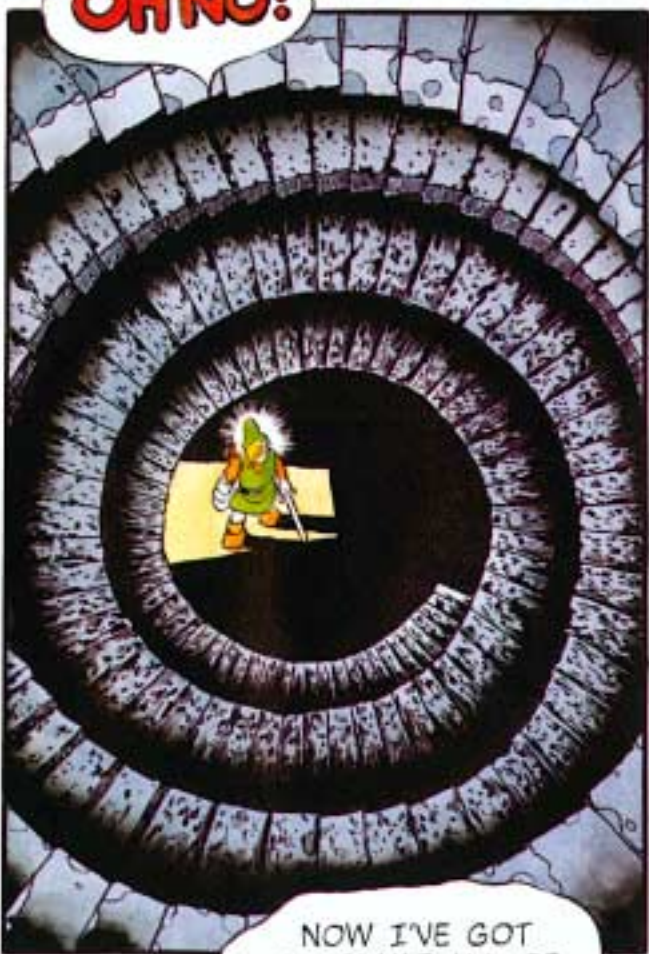
OH NO!

NOW I'VE GOT
TO *CLIMB* ALL OF
THESE *STAIRS*?!

I'M
THIRSTY...

MY ARM
ACHES...

IT'S HOT...
I HOPE
IT'S
WORTH IT!



FOOSH!

WHO TURNED
ON THE
LIGHTS?



SKITTER!

WHAT IN THE
WORLD!?



LINK... THE
PENDANT IS THE
THIRD EYE...



HEY!

I OUGHT TO BE
PRETTY GOOD AT
THIS BY NOW!

ARE YOU
KIDDING?!



MONSTER
EYES!

IT'S IMBEDDED
IN THE MONSTER'S
FOREHEAD!

I'M GLAD THIS
IS THE LAST
PENDANT!



YOU SHOULD
BE ABLE TO JUST
LIFT IT OUT...



MY ARM!
IT'S BACK TO
NORMAL!!

WHOA!
AFTER THOSE
STAIRS, I GET A FREE
RIDE DOWN!



KASPLAT!

LINK! YOU HAVE DONE
WELL! YOU RECOVERED
THE PENDANTS! NOW
GO FORTH TO THE
LOST WOODS!



CAN'T I
REST FOR
A WHILE?

LOST
...IIII...

LOST
...IIII...

NO...
IF YOU REALLY
ARE THE LEGENDARY
HERO OF
HYRULE...

...THE SWORD OF
EVIL'S BANE WILL SELECT
YOU AS ITS BEARER!

THE SWORD WILL
SELECT ME?

WHAT IF IT
DOESN'T?

YOU WILL NEVER
BE ABLE TO ENTER
THE DARK WORLD
AND FIND YOUR
PARENTS!

ARE MY
MOTHER AND
FATHER REALLY
STILL ALIVE?

THEY DWELL
NOW IN THE
DARK WORLD...

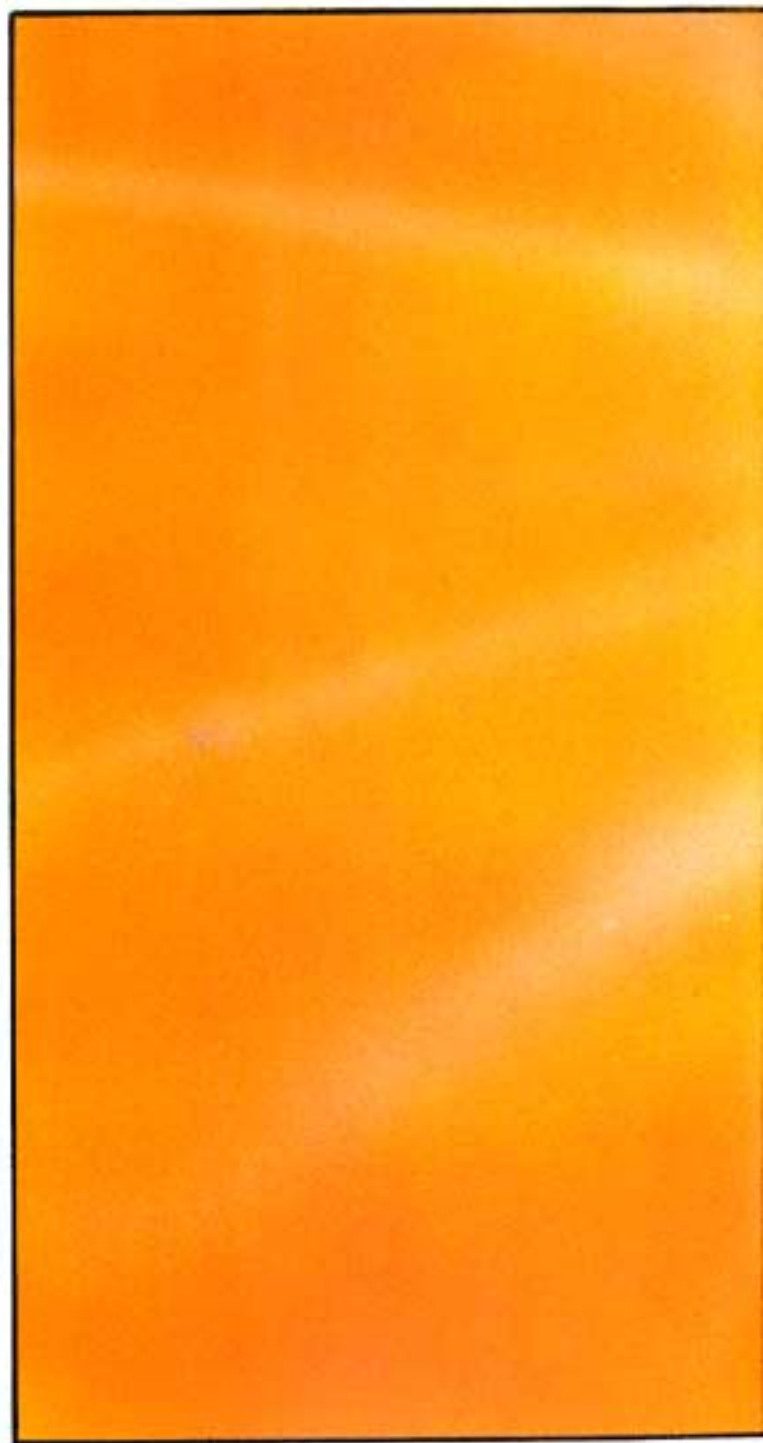
YOUR PARENTS
WERE KNIGHTS OF HYRULE...
BUT THEY STUMBLED INTO
THE DARK WORLD...

AFTER THEY
DISAPPEARED, YOUR UNCLE
ADOPTED YOU AND
SHIELDED YOU FROM THE
INTRIGUES OF THE
ROYAL FAMILY...

A-HA!

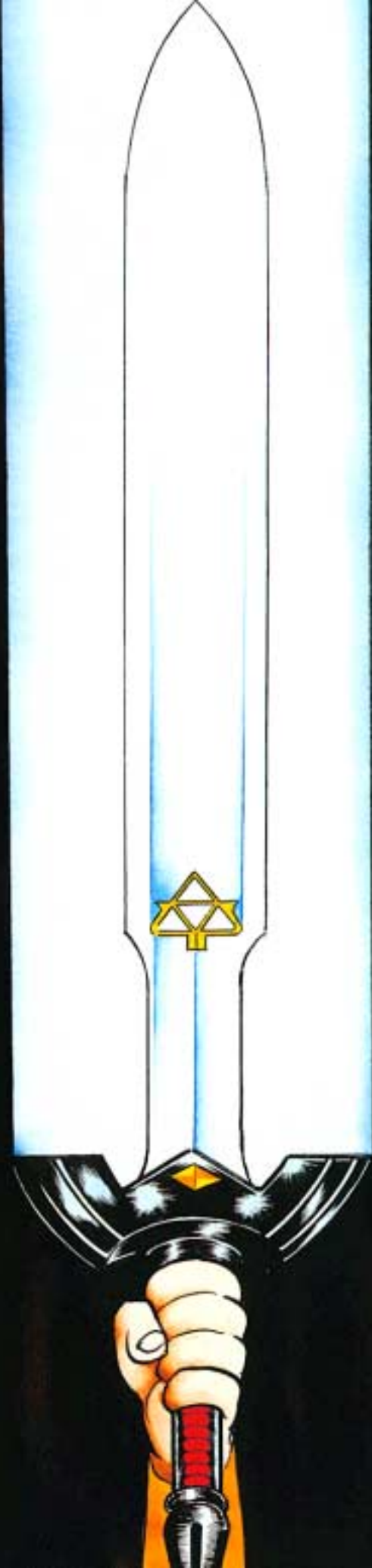
IF YOU TRULY
ARE THE HERO...

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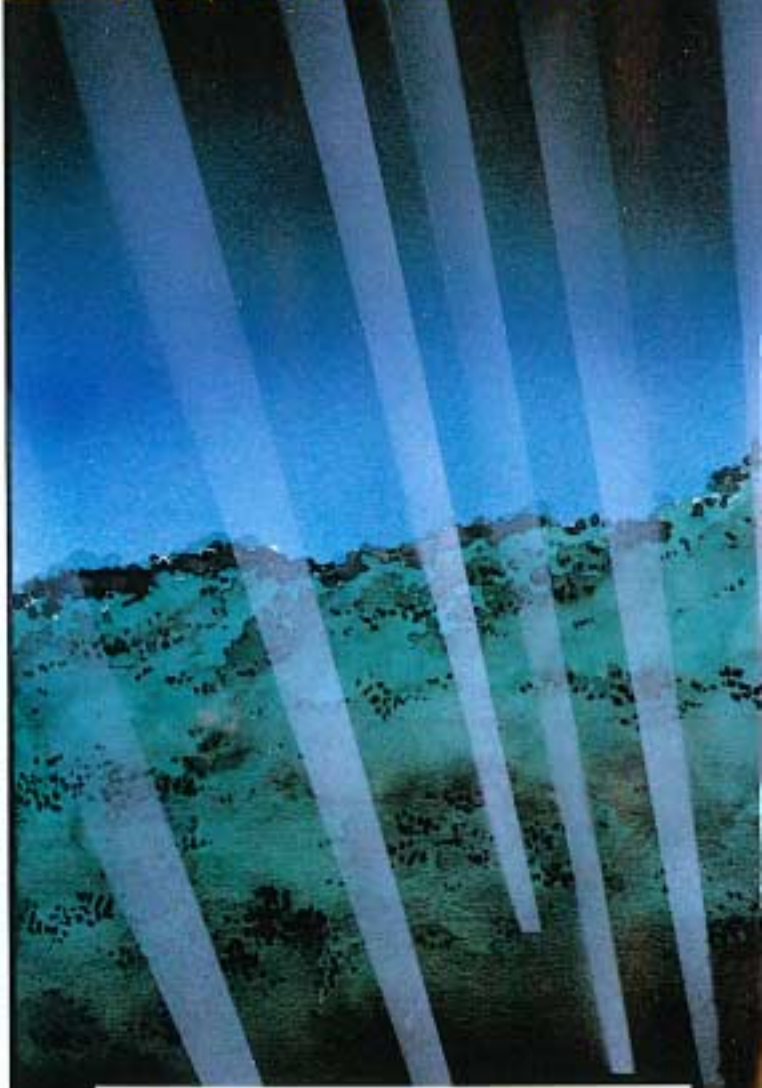


THE
MASTER SWORD!





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THE YOUNG HERO, LINK, IS FINALLY BEGINNING TO REALIZE THE EXTENT OF HIS DESTINY AFTER WINNING THE THREE PENDANTS OF VIRTUE. WITH THE MASTER SWORD FIRMLY IN HAND, ALL THAT REMAINS IS FOR HIM TO RESCUE ZELDA! CAN LINK MEET HIS ULTIMATE CHALLENGE?