

## **Multiverse 321**

### Chapter 321: The future (2)

"Why the hell is he still alive? Shall we go and kill him? And here I will go for his head so that he doesn't do what he did in another universe." Thor said.

"Firstly, we have control over the infinity stones. Vision has the mind stone. And all other stones are safe. With the kages, Oa, with Strange and the last is with us." John said.

"Second, Thanos' history isn't so simple. Especially in other universes. I need answers. And even if he comes, we can beat him back. I killed one of his Black Order the last time I went into deep space. So don't worry about it. Shall we see the future now?" John continued.

"Go on. Let me see what their future has in hold." Tony said.

The scenes continued and this time the last movie of the whole saga was shown. The sacrifice of Tony, Natasha and the death of Thanos at the end.

"Told you, you mess with time. Time will come to mess with you." Barry said as he felt he had seen the story so many times. He, breaking the timeline and then suffering the consequences.

"Got to say. I didn't expect the other me to be so amazing. Time Travel. I need to go through quantum technology." Tony said.

"You can ask Hank about it. But be ready to face criticism." John replied.

"And now the real reason why I called you all. The real reason why I defended Loki. Let me show you where he vanished after his disappearance from the New York War from a broken timeline." John said as he started showing where Loki had gone after he escaped using the Tesseract.

And then the TVA showed up with their fancy gadgets. The more the people saw about TVA the more they were surprised. Their control of timeline and destiny and others always having a path.

"Isn't that the guy who came to catch me?" Frigga questioned.

"Yes. Queen it was the same guy. Now he is an agent." John said.

"Oh. No wonder."

The story continued on as they saw different versions of Loki and at the end meeting Kang. A scientist from the 30th century. The story ended with the death of Kang and making a whole new bunch of timelines.

"I thought I was narcissistic. The first award should go to Loki." Tony said while all looked at Loki. They all found it weird that another version of him fell in love with a whole new version of himself.

"So this TVA is hunting down Loki's from all universes?" Banner asked.

"Yes. And probably will come for Loki soon." John said.

"So you have been fattening me up for all this time so as to send me away to the jaws of this Alioth and this so-called 'the one who remained'.?" Loki asked as he felt anger of being deceived.

"Yes. Kind of. Kang isn't a huge problem for us. And we don't have time for him. So I want you to handle him." John said as he mentioned that person's name.

"I refuse. That person has control over time." Loki said.

"Do you think you have a say in this? TVA will come for you no matter what. Thanos isn't going to kill you so you will divert from the storyline. Kang must be brought down by an Asgardian. And it can only be you." It was Thor who said this time. He was more knowledgeable now after receiving wisdom and strength so he had an idea of how the world worked now.

"Et tu, brother?" Loki said in a sad tone.

"You came to Earth to bring reign and terror. You didn't even finish your jail time. Do you think such transgressions will go unchecked?" Diana asked.

"Fine.. Fine.. I will go for this Kang. But I will take over TVA." Loki said as his eyes twinkled. He saw the power that TVA had. Absolute control over time. He wanted that.

"And you will have to kill the other you. Not Sylvie. The other Loki." Tony reminded as all still thought there was another Loki who would arrive when their Loki would be caught in future.

"I will. Falling in love in such tumultuous times. What a bunch of jokes. But after all the punishment and giving me bad looks must stop. Deal?" Loki said.

"Deal but you will have to be successful in what you are going to do. I would love to send you help but TVA won't take another worlder." John said. They all nodded as all the different people that came from other universes were never hunted by TVA after they changed the timeline.

And all other universes had their own story so TVA wasn't all high and mighty as it showed.

"So yeah, this is the story you all need to know for now." John got up as he removed the enchantment from the surroundings. The whole plot took more than a day to show to all of them

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Yes, I know many will say that why are the Avengers are so happy go lucky and not doubt MC. Well firstly, the MC has proven many times that what he saw are just dreams of parallel universe. He literally said here that what he saw was from parallel universe, not theirs. And secondly, I wanted to keep it that way as the doubt part is for other universe Avengers.

Chapter 322: A call

"I got to say. This universe is glad to have you around John." Steve said.

"But this came at a cost. The emergence of Black Winter and I don't know how I affected the multiverse. This is just the start. And thanks for trusting me even after I am responsible for all the mess too." John

replied as he felt shy. His influence has already awakened a sleeping monster. He didn't know how many more monsters had awakened because of him.

"There is nothing you can do. We gain in one hand and lose in another. Balance should always be there in the universe. Even if your influence might have made all the people cross over to our universe, we gained new friends and comrades in turn. And if your magic was responsible for this, it wouldn't mean that someone is deliberately doing this." Thor replied as he still trusted John and had never seen John going and doing some magic to bring people. If John had done, his magic would have been sensed by other a long time ago, but it was never the case.

All went back to sleep and rest as this narration took a long time and everybody needed to digest what they had just gained. That parallel universe was a reminder of how lucky they were.

None returned home and all stayed back at Asgard for 1 more day to have a proper rest. Only Peter returned home as his aunt called him. His mind was blown by what he had seen. He had never known that there were so many amazing things in the universe.

He thought the Avengers were powerful enough to handle the universe like they did on two occasions but now when the whole story came out, he understood that he was naive and nobody is safe. It was either kill or be killed.

After another day of rest all the Avengers returned home. They had a good time at Asgard but now it was time to get to work. John spent the rest of his time with animes as now he needed a power up. He was thinking of spending fan values to get himself a boost.

He called Lex to know how his works were received by the audience. Lex gave a positive response saying that people of Nova loved his works. Especially after the introduction of Phantom drive, people believed that there was Krypton and even some went into search for that planet.

And green lantern too helped in people believing that the movies were real. Even though not all got close to the Green lanterns, their presence and videos showing their fights were famous and thus John's work too became famous.

John was happy to know all of this. Even though he hasn't gained much fan value, whatever could be added he would take it gladly. And now all he needed was a platform to show the power of the Avengers. This will boost his fan values by a large number.

And that platform came when Rocket called John after a week of returning from Asgard. Emma had already left by that time so he was alone when the call came.

"Hey John. what's up?" Rocket said.

"Hey. I am good. What about your missions? Is everything going well?" John asked as he knew there must be a reason for his call.

"We all super. Groot has been helping us a lot. Listen. I called you for a reason." Rocket said.

"I know you have called for a reason. You never call just to check me up." John mocked.

"Hey, what's that supposed to mean? I call my friends." Rocket said.

"That's a lie." came the voice of Drax from behind.

"It's fine. Now tell me, why did you call?" John asked.

"Actually we are on the way to your Earth. We have got intel that Thanos has gathered a massive army to attack Earth and take the space stone from you all." Rocket said in a very serious tone. But when John heard it, he gave a huge smile.

He had been waiting for this for such a long time and now finally it was here.

"I understand. Come to the Ring. We will handle it." John replied.

"Why does it look like you are happy that Thanos will be attacking? Rocket asked as he was confused to see the smile on John's face.

"Of course I am happy. I have been waiting for this battle for a long time. Let him come." John said.

"You are weird. I will get there in a few hours." Rocket said as he ended the call.

John was happy that Thanos was coming. Now he needed to keep the dwarves of Nidavellir safe. He directly teleported to Asgard in the main hall. As he appeared he saw Atreus sitting on the throne talking with Thor and Frigga.

"John, why are you here? Came for another round of vacation?" Thor joked.

"No. Thanos is coming. Evacuate Nidavellir." John said.

"Thanos? ... I understand." Thor said as he became serious. And then he too vanished from his place. Atreus and Frigga too had a serious face.

"Do you want Asgard to help?" Atreus asked.

"It will be fine if you send Kratos and Loki. No need to send soldiers. We have our own." John replied.

"Queen Frigga, how is everything going on with Aldrif. Did she believe you yet?" John asked.

"He did believe us after we got the Queen here and made her accept her past. Her plan to torture her but later thought otherwise as she wanted to make her the Queen in order to spite on Odin."

"What a spiteful woman. I advise you not to let Aldrif out early. You need to make sure that she doesn't have feelings for Heven. She had lived there for centuries. I am sure she won't take it in a good way of Asgard ruling over them."

## Chapter 323: A fake stronghold

John then went to the Hall of Justice.

"Avengers, Thanos is coming. Meet me at the Hall." John said after wearing the helmet. AS he said that people started appearing in the main hall as Guilty Spark started teleporting people to the main hall. Some were on Earth while others were far away so Guilty Spark was responsible for transportation.

After waiting for 5 minutes everybody appeared in the main hall. All had a serious look in their eyes. This time Fury joined too. The Avengers just saw Thanos devastating everything with his army in John's illustrations and now they would have to face him for real.

"How far is he?" Wayne asked.

"I have no idea. The Guardians of the Galaxy will be coming soon. We can ask them." John replied.

"We will need an army to face him." Vision said.

"We do. And for that reason, I have asked for help from others too." John said and as he said that 5 kages appeared near them. All were surprised that even 5 kages had come.

"Welcome my friends." John said.

"Yo...Thanks for letting us join." Naruto said. The kages came with their own guards too. Shikamaru was one of them.

"Shikamaru and Wayne can decide how to face him. I have already explained the thing about Thanos to them long ago." John said. All nodded their heads as they knew that both Shikamaru and Wayne would be perfect in handling the strategy to face Thanos. The Avengers knew about the strategic mind of Shikamaru from the animes and thus allowed him to give his ideas while making the strategy.

"John doing this will expose the ninjas to the world if we fight on Earth." Fury said as he still didn't want the ninjas to be out in public view. The ninjas had been the secret protector of the Earth and under SHIELD so he didn't want any light in them.

"We will not fight on Earth, but Mars." Shikamaru replied.

"Huh. Is that even possible? How shall we bring Thanos to Mars?" Wanda asked.

"We can use the space stone as bait and put it on Mars. I am sure the scent of it will pull him towards that planet." Shikamaru said.

"Ok. But what if he attacks Oa instead of us?" Steve asked.

"He is not dumb enough to attack Oa. The moment he attacks Oa it will call all the lanterns of the universe. Oa isn't a toy that can be invaded so easily. He will need an infinity stone. And space stone will be a good one to start with for him." Wayne replied as he gave his own thoughts.

As they were discussing, Thor appeared in the Hall.

"Tell me that Nidavellir is safe." Wayne asked.

"It's safe. I have transferred all of them to Asgard. And the forge is closed. Thanos can never find them." Thor replied.

"Good. One problem out of the way. So now we have the main problem. How to make the space stone not an obvious bait?" Tony asked. All got into thinking about it.

"We can make a fake stronghold on Mars where men will be posted. We will make it such a way that the energy from the space stone will leak a little. That will attract his attention." John said.

"Thanos will not be dumb enough to fall for this obvious trap. He has seen how powerful we are. You even killed a member of his." Strange said.



"We did, but he had never seen our power. He only knows of Avengers during the New York battle. He has an army, I am sure he will be prepared but he would still underestimate us." Steve said.

"That is true. And he has amassed a huge army. I am sure he thinks that his power and army will be strong enough to face us." Diana said.

"Will it be even feasible?" Banner asked.

"We will not be sure until we try. He is coming to give us a battle. So it shouldn't matter to him where we fight him. He might suspect that it would be an ambush but he would face it anyway. The difference will be, he will assault this fake stronghold that we build," John said.

"But how will you explain to the public the emergence of the shinobi world?" Fury asked as he was still stuck there.

"What to hide? We can just tell them that the Naruto world has always been present but on other planets." John said.

"That is possible." Fury said as he got into his own thoughts. And as they were talking they heard a noise coming from outside the hall of justice. They were confused about the noise until GAIA notified that the Guardians of the Galaxy had arrived. They all went out to meet their new space comrades.

The Avengers knew about them from the illusions of John, even if John didn't show much of them, at the end they helped fight Thanos.

Chapter 324: Assemble and Plan

"Quill, you will never be in the front line fighting Thanos." Tony said.

"Who are you? Do you know me? John told you about me?" Peter asked as he was confused why this guy with a mustache spoke to him first.

"I don't know you but I have seen what you have done in another parallel universe." Tony replied indicating the fight where they were almost close to defeating Thanos but his momentary anger destroyed everything. Even though Strange said that this was the only way, Tony being a believer that he himself controls his destiny called it bull.

This was the reason why Tony's first words were to take Peter out of the way.

"What's that supposed to mean?" Quill asked as he felt vindicated that he was targeted by an unknown person the moment he came to the Ring. He actually wanted to hold his gun at the forehead of Tony but he also knew that John was present here and even the Teen Titans. Their power levels weren't something he could match against.

"It's not supposed to mean anything. We thank you for your call. Don't listen to Tony, he can be a pain in the ass." Steve said as he went to greet them. He got glared at by many of the members.

"What? I am pretty sure of what you saw and many of you hold the same prejudice." Tony said.

"That world that is that world. This is our world. Nothing is the same here." Victor said.

"Fine.. Fine.. " Tony mumbled.

"John, you have quite an amazing place to say. I have never seen such a place ever in my life in all my years of cosmic travel." Rocket said.

"Yeah. We are lucky to have this Ring. You must have played Halo." John said.

"I am Groot."

"Yeah. This Ring is from the Halo world." John replied.

"Damn. I should move here to live." Rocket said.

"Come in. We can discuss the battle strategy in the Hall." Wayne said as he invited the Guardians of the Galaxy inside the Hall of Justice. The Guardians of the Galaxy were surprised that there were so many people among the members of the so-called Avengers.

And they have seen some of them before but many were new faces. All took their seats and introduced themselves properly to each other. And then the discussion commenced on how to face him.

They would need to evacuate a part of Mars as their battle will be held there. Gamora informed them that they had 3 week to get ready for the battle. As they have discussed before, they finally decided to keep the space stone and make a fake stronghold in Mars away from the public.

Umbrella would be responsible for fast construction of the stronghold while the Kages will give some ninjas as fake protection. If everything goes as planned, then Thanos will take the bait.

Tony first proposed using normal robots for this, but Shikamaru refused saying that would be too much of a sham to be believed by Thanos. They needed to make this stronghold as real as possible. So they had to bring real people in. After a proper discussion and thinning out the details, Tony called Pepper to make construction.

Pepper was confused by this sudden plan, Tony didn't give her an explanation and just told her to execute. He didn't want to make her nervous, saying that there would be a war soon.

The Guardians of the Galaxy stayed over at the Ring. The Guardians of Oa were informed about Thanos. So the Guardians ordered the return of all Lanterns, but this must be done in a hidden manner.

John was sure that Thanos must have noticed the emergence of Green lanterns so he would definitely keep an eye at it. So the Lanterns needed to be back in a stealth manner.

John was excited about the battle. All his cards would be on the table and the people of the universe would get to know of him and his works. That was all he cared about. John needed a boost of fan values. And this battle would be enough for all the people to know of John's works.

Though it might launch Earth into an interstellar era, he didn't care anymore. Black Winter was coming and now even Knull loomed over his head. He needed to be as ready as possible.

John was sure that Thanos would lose. But before the battle he would need some answers from him. The eternals. His brother. His actual motivation in killing half the universe.

Soon in Mars the work started and Umbrella was able to make a huge building with underground facilities. Umbrella made the installation as real as possible for a stronghold. All the technological facilities were used as much as possible to make it fast and leave no traces that the stronghold was made recently.

The ninjas joined in as fake security. Everything looked set and now all they had to do is wait.

Chapter 325: Thanos (2)

1000 light years away from Solar System

Sanctuary II (Spaceship of Thanos)

"My liege, the initial reports suggests that the space stone is being held under a stronghold on a planet that the Earthlings called Mars. The humans recently colonized Mars and have moved the space stone there." Ebony Maw said.

"What about the power stone?" Thanos who was sitting in throne asked Maw who was on his knees talking. On the side were Obsidian and Glaive.

"The power stone is still at Oa. Under the eyes of the Guardians. My liege I would suggest attacking Oa after we get hands on one infinity stone." Maw said.

"Hmmm....what happened to the dwarves of Nidavellir?" Thanos asked.

"We went there, but there was nobody in the forge." Maw said.

"Do you know how this happened?" Thanos asked. He had been stressed a little lately. Not a long time ago, they lost Midnight. Glaive, who was the husband of Midnight, went mad when he got to know of it. He wanted to go and avenge her, but Thanos stopped him saying it wasn't time yet.

Now finally they have amassed a huge army and soldiers but again they have been struck. It was like someone was deliberately stopping him from getting the stones.

"We don't know yet my liege." Maw said.

"Then we shall start with the space stone. After we get this, we will decimate the Avengers, avenge Midnight and get the mind stone. Then we will have enough power. Then the so-called army of Green Lanterns wouldn't be able to stop us." Thanos said. Glaive who listened to all of this clenched his fist.

They were finally about to avenge his dead wife. He wanted to tear this man apart. Even though none knew of the person who murdered her, they were sure that they belonged to the Avengers. So Glaive couldn't wait to take revenge on the person.

"As you command my liege. We will leave for Mars right away. It will take some time to reach the planet." Maw said.

"Is LexCorp still refusing to sell the phantom drive technology to us?" Thanos asked.

"Yes. My liege, that arrogant Lex Luthor still refuses. We should have killed him when we had the chance." Glaive said.

"It's unnecessary. We will soon sit at the top, and we won't need his technology anymore." Thanos said. All nodded their heads. Sanctuary II soon went to a jump point and started travelling to the direction of the planet Mars.

It took them a week to reach Mars.

"My liege we have reached Mars." Maw said.

"How is the stronghold looking? Is it an ambush?' Thanos asked.

"The stronghold looks authentic with real people in them. It was built to house a very powerful weapon, so the probability of this being an ambush is very less. And even if it is, even if there might be Avengers, we have a huge army to confront them. The Avengers are nothing but a few men. What can a few men do against a large army?" Maw said. Thanos nodded his head but he always felt that it might not be that easy.

Sanctuary II went straight to the stronghold altogether as Thanos suggested. He wanted to attack the stronghold with full force. He had done enough to wait to care about anything else. The spaceship levitated in the air above the stronghold.

The spaceship was so huge that it created a shadow over the building. The people in the building went into full panic mode and alarms were set off. Thanos after seeing this was a little relieved as he was still thinking it might be an ambush. Even though he didn't care about the Avengers they had proved to be quite a problem for them on multiple turns.

Thanos, Glaive and Obsidian came down the spaceship with a small army of Chitauris behind them.

The people in the stronghold took up weapons and guns. They pointed it at the small army of Thanos, showing the resolve to fight against an unknown enemy which has appeared.

"Kill them." Thanos ordered. The Chitaur attacked after receiving the order. The men who were defending started shooting at them. The Chitauris too started using their guns on them.

As the battle started one such attack from the Chitauris managed to create a huge explosion on the humans. But when the dust settled there were no dead bodies. Thanos's eyes squinted when he saw this.

The next second, Maw got a reading in his device which he had been carrying with himself. It showed the gamma radiation that had been emitting by the space stone from the stronghold just vanished.

"My liege, the space stone, just vanished from the stronghold. We don't know where it went." Maw was sad with a grave face. Thanos who listened to it looked at the other humans who were defending with their guns.

He could see that the people had a smile on their faces now.

#### Chapter 326: Everybody together

Then the guards who were defending the stronghold vanished from their places leaving behind the weapons. Thanos and Maw were able to see the people moving at high speeds behind with some difficulty. This way the shinobis who were on guard retreated. When Thanos turned his head he saw a man levitating wearing a cape and a golden helmet. This person had the Tesseract in his hand

At that point Thanos knew this was an ambush. Since he had already arrived on Mars even after he guessed that it might be an ambush, he couldn't go back now. He had brought an army with him so he had enough confidence to face a small group of people.

Even though this new guy who was levitating was a person he had never seen, he didn't care much. The person in the helmet levitated down opposite to him.

"You have been waiting for us?" Thanos asked.

"Oh yes. I have been waiting for you. It's been a long time for me. Almost 20 years. Waiting, making myself powerful enough to face you. But I got to say now that you are here I don't even fear you. But thank you for all the motivation you have given me all these years."

"You know all of this?" Thanos asked, raising his eyebrows.

"I know a lot. You have to be more specific." John asked.

"Then you know why I want that stone in your hand. I just want a new dawn in the universe. A universe which is grateful. A universe which will have a brighter future." Thanos said.

"Is that all your motivation Thanos? Answer me that at first." John said.

"Yes. This is all I ever wanted. I will kill half the population of the universe so that the other half could survive." Thanos said.

"Really now? Will you say the same if I bring your brother here?" John said. Thanos who had been calm all this time shuddered when John mentioned his brother. He looked at John for a few seconds and finally said.

"If you know my brother, then you must know why I am doing this. This is all the more reason for me to kill half the population. I don't want us all to just be a sacrifice for some God. I want us to control our own destiny. Not to be a food to them." Thanos said.

"So this was the plan? Kill half the population so that the Celestials can't be born. Do you even know maths? Will that stop the emergence? You will be stopping only the inevitable. At some point he population will reach it's max and emergence will occur anyway." John said.

"It might be. But I can only try. I have seen Titan being destroyed by my own eyes. My own planet. I can never allow others to face the same situation again. When others will know the truth in the future, they will follow my path and continue doing what I started." Thanos said.

"You are just a coward. Instead of confronting the Celestials you are here killing the innocents." John said.

"How dare you speak with my liege in that tone?" Maw said as he got annoyed by this new person's tone with his liege. Maw waved his hands. The soil surrounding John started rotating and creeping up on John to choke him.

John who saw this waved his hands. This small attack from Maw stopped in its tracks and instead behind Maw there was a huge hand structure made out of soil. The huge hit Maw with a huge force that threw him a few metres away.

"Your powers are quite weak. You must be popular with children." John said, using the same lines which Maw used when he faced Dr. Strange.



"Is this what you really want? You can join me and we can save this universe." Thanos said as he didn't even care that Maw was hit so badly. He didn't even look back at him. He wanted to convince this new person to join him. He could already see this golden guy was powerful and adding him will be very helpful in taking over time stone and mind stone.

"As I said before, you are just a coward. Instead of being a man and facing the Celestials you choose the other way. Do you think your cowardice can lead to any good?" John said.

"So you have decided to oppose me?" Thanos asked in a grave tone.

"No, my dear. I have decided to end you." John replied.

"So be it." Thanos said. And the next moment a dozens of small spaceships came flying down and landing. And from them, out poured the Outriders ( the aliens who attacked during Infinity war) and Chitauris. And then came the Leviathans.

They all landed over the stronghold behind destroying the newly made building. Maw too now got up, removed the dust from his clothes, came and stood by the side of Thanos.

"You think you are the only one with an army?" John said.

"Avengers. Assemble."

Chapter 327: The 2nd war

Huge portals started opening behind John. And out came the people. The first were the Avengers. Wayne was leading in front with all the members. Including the Teen Titans. Then came the Guardians of the galaxy.

Thanos was surprised to see his daughter among them. She had been missing for quite a long time. Even though she was away, Thanos always kept an eye on her and her new team which she formed recently. He got to know that their team had a Green Lantern too so he was sure she was safe.

And then came a whole new army of ninjas. With all the 5 kages leading in front from different big portals. Their numbers were huge. All of them stood side by side with John while the army was behind.

Tony even brought his iron legion too. Banner had already transformed into Hulk. The actual Hulk, not the professor Hulk.

Even the old Kages showed up for the war. John brought them too as he had sensed Thanos had amassed a larger army than the army he had during End game. Strange brought mages too for this war as they would help the Avengers a lot.

Only from Asgard, not many people came. Kratos, Loki, Erza and Thor's close friends who should have died during the Ragnarok arc.

"You have your own army. We have ours." John said.

"You stole my line." Steve said. John just shrugged at it. While Tony looked at Strange and said.

"Hey, in how many possible iterations of our future do you think we will win the war?"

"This time I am pretty sure about all iterations." Strange said.

"You are damn right we will." Tony said.

Obsidian couldn't hold it any longer. He threw his chain hammer at Tony. Wayne, who was close by, stopped the hammer with one hand. And before Obsidian could react, Wayne pulled the hammer using huge force.

This pulled Obsidian in return. The force was so huge that he almost flew to Wayne. And then Wayne used his other hand to punch at the head of Obsidian. The next thing that Thanos's army saw made their eyes wide.

That punch of Wayne was so strong that he blasted the head of Obsidian into bits of flesh, spilling blood all over the ground. Obsidian couldn't even cry in pain and met a swift death by just a punch alone.

When all saw this even John raised his eyebrows. He knew that Bruce was strong now but did not expect him to get used to new powers totally by now.

"So you see Thanos, you should never have come here. You should have stayed hidden all this time never to show your face." Wayne said. Thanos's eyes squinted when he saw such huge power by Wayne.

He had seen him in videos during the New York War. He was never that powerful before. But here suddenly out of nowhere he lost another member of the black order.

Thanos then raised his double sided huge blade pointing at them. The army behind ran to them following Glaive and Maw's lead. The Avengers and the army of ninjas also ran towards the enemy.

Wayne, Wanda, Tony, Strange and others who could fly rushed towards them. Naruto and Sasuke both used the Kurama mode and Suasno mode to handle the Leviathans. Those shinobis who could fight enemies which were of bigger size than them also joined in this.

The ninjas clashed with the army of chitauris and outriders and even though their number was larger than the ninjas, they were seriously outgunned. The ninjas had speed and more strength. They used cold weapons but that was enough. Wherever there were many enemies outnumbering the ninjas, they used ninja techniques to counter attack.

The mages too helped the ninjas in attacking the army of Thanos. Thanos on the other hand was personally confronted by Tony and Steve. Tony had seen how the other himself lost in the fight against Thanos in Titan. Only a small mark cut on his face. He wanted to change that. He wanted to challenge himself. He specifically asked for this.

Steve joined him because he felt that Tony needed help and like the war in the endgame, he used the Mjolnir. After seeing the fight in illusions of John he wanted to try if he could lift it up. And as expected he was able to pick it up. So Thor gave him the hammer for him to use. The other members of the Avengers fought against the others.

The witches faced Ebony Maw. Ciri, Yen , Triss and Wanda faced Maw. And as expected he was overwhelmed easily. Even though he was able to defend for sometime against the attack, a slash from Ciri's Zireael cut one of the hands of Maw. His telekinetic powers weren't able to stop an attack that cut through space itself.

## Chapter 328: The 2nd war (2)

John on the other hand faced Glaive. He and Constantine together. And Glaive didn't even get a fighting chance. Both Constantine and John blasted Glaive by lightning. That lightning was strong enough to fry his body. Glaive died with regret that he couldn't avenge his wife not knowing that it was John himself who killed his wife.

This wasn't a battle. It was a slaughter. The Chitauris were dying like bugs and outriders too weren't far off from extinction on the battlefield after fighting for hardly 15 minutes.

The leviathans were confronted by kages. Both present and current ones. Naruto was able to easily kill the leviathans. And Sasuke joined him by cutting them down using his Susano.

Thanos who was still fighting Tony saw all of this. His precious army which he had gathered after such a long time couldn't even handle their first outright battle against a united army. He had faced many worlds over time but he had never seen such an overpowered large number of people.

In the last New York war, Earth had never shown such high strength and numbers. This was a well prepared ambush for him. Then he remembered John saying that he had been waiting for him for the last 20 years.

The enemy must have known about his strengths and weaknesses and prepared really well. The most astonishing part was that he was able to gather such amazing people around him.

Tony on the other hand was able to finally manage a cut on Thanos's hand. He was actually sad. He thought he would be able to kill Thanos alone but he was disappointed. His extremis vibranium armor was powerful, but it still fell short to kill Thanos.

Even though Tony wasn't on the losing side, he wasn't exactly winning either. John flew over to his place.

"Need any help?" John shouted while levitating near the fight. Steve and Tony both stepped back when John said that.

"He really is Thanos. My outright nemesis." Tony mumbled. Steve, who had been fighting against him, was breathing hard. This was probably one of the toughest fights he had to face even after having Mjolir and help from Tony.

Thanos on the other hand caught his breath from all the continuous fighting and gave instructions to use Sanctuary II to shoot down at all of them.

John had always known that Thanos would make such a move. He actually expected Thanos to use it much earlier. Then he remembered that he had been fighting nonstop against Tony and Steve. Naruto who got the cue from John through the system shouted

"Oh no. You are not going to piss on all the other hard work we just did. Kurama, it's our time."

Naruto proceeded to use 'Bijudama' while the guns were getting pointed at the ground. Since the guns were faster it shot first. Thor, Hal and Strange used their powers to stop the shots while Naruto conjured the 'Bijudama'.

After a few seconds of defending, the 'Bijudama' was ready. And Naruto shot at the spaceship which was raining fire. The 'Bijudama' flew straight to the spaceship and exploded with a loud bang.

The explosion was so immense that there was a huge shockwave around. The people on the ground and air had to literally protect themselves from the shockwave.

Thanos looked at all this with devastation showing his face. He sat down on a rock beside with sadness. He knew he had lost the battle. His army was crumbling very fast and nothing would remain after seconds. Even his spaceship was blasted away by a single man.

Thor, Strange and Wayne who were flying around killing whoever they saw irritating to their eyes came flying down near Thanos. Even Loki joined in this. He had seen how he was killed by Thanos, so he too wanted to join in the fun.

John of course was recording all of this from all possible angles with the help of GAIA. He would then give it to LexCorp to handle the videos and upload it to the web of the universe. This would surely bring attention to John's works. This was his main plan.

He wanted everybody to shine in this battle. He could have asked Wayne or Thor to just kill Thanos outright, but he stopped them from doing so. John lied to them saying this would help everyone getting recognition in the universe and Earth needed to keep some moves hidden. Even though Thor or Strange could have alone won the war, he advised them not to do so. They both agreed to it.

They understood that showing too much power might rub other empires the wrong way. And all the empires might even band together to attack them. They have enough on their plate, an annoying enemy was the least that they wanted now.

Thanos wasn't the only enemy in the universe.

"So Thanos, still think we fall short from Celestials?" John asked.

"Oye, what are Celestials?" Tony asked.

"I will explain it to you later." John said, stopping Tony who was interrupting.

"Do you really think you can defeat them? You haven't even seen how powerful they are." Thanos said seeing the ignorance of John.

"I have seen how powerful they are and what they can do. I know more of them, more than you and your brother combined. And I can say it now, we will face them and will defeat them." John said.

Chapter 329: A forgotten version

"You are just arrogant fools if you think you can face Celestials." Thanos said. Thor had enough of his words and just punched outright in his face. He had seen how the other version of him was beaten down. He needed to vent his frustration for the other version.

All looked at him when Thor did that.

"What? He was being annoying." Thor said. That punch from Thor made him fall back. It even broke his two teeth. This Thor wasn't the same Thor as the original one. He had become a Rune King now, so he had already surpassed the normal level of power.

John too at the next second hit Thanos with a punch. He was already in Shazam mode, so his punch was similar to that of Superman. He punched Thanos right on his abdomen. His punch hit Thanos so hard that he spit out saliva straight after.

"Since everybody is taking a turn, why don't I join in?" John said.

"Now you are just showing off." Tony accused as he was still salty about only being able to make a cut in his hand.

"Don't worry Tony, you will be powerful soon enough. Anti-metal will be of great help to you, I am sure." John said.

"I hope so. I don't want to be left behind." Tony replied. And as they were talking Hulk who had been running around wildly killing the enemies, came jumping by, picked up Thanos and threw him high up in the air.

"Hulk too remembers the beating I think." Steve said seeing Thanos coming down at high speed. All laughed when Steve said that. Even though the Avengers expected that it would be an easy fight, they didn't expect that whole battle wouldn't even last an hour.

They were literally having a good time. And this battle was required for all, as this would be a great morale boost against the upcoming danger. If they could face Thanos, then there was a chance they would be able to face Black Winter. They all needed to vent their frustration; they had been living under distress for quite some time.

Thanos landed with a bang. By this time he had broken many bones and was bleeding from his mouth. He had a deformed face and he looked like he was a few minutes away from dying.

"Still you think we are arrogant?" John asked. Thanos wanted to reply but all he could do was spit out blood from his mouth. By this time Gamora too came and surprisingly even Nebula.

Nebula, who had been imprisoned under the Guardians of the Galaxy from the moment she was caught, was also there. In this battle she begged Gamora to let her join. She wanted to see the death of his father. The one she hated so much.

Gamora had a sad look on her face, she knew that her father had done horrible things, but in the end he was her father. Thanos who saw his daughter standing on the opposite side had a sad look. For a moment he did think that the enemy might have the power to confront the Celestials.

But then he remembered the Celestials and knew this small power that the Avengers had wasn't enough. Thanos looked at John with determination and conviction that whatever he was doing was right. John sighed as he knew that he would never be able to change Thanos. Only thing he could do was give him an honorable death.

Thanos deserved one. No matter what their ideologies were. In the end he cared for the universe. Though his care for it was a twisted one, at least he took responsibility for it. Very few could even think of undertaking such a massive task.

"I am sorry Thanos. You will have to die. Even though I know you care for this universe, we will have to end you. You are too much of a variable for us to let you live."

As John and others were ready to kill Thanos, a yellow rectangular door opened in between them. A man in a huge hat and a black mask came out. John squinted his eyes when he saw this unknown man coming out.

Well, unknown would be a wrong word here. He did know the man, but the version he knew of him wasn't the version he had seen before. John's mind immediately raced through all the comics he had seen the versions of this person for a few seconds and finally he remembered a forgotten version.

The version where most of the people tend to forget.

"This looks like a bad time to show up. Shall I come later?" the person said.



Tony, Thor and others didn't even waste a second and shot at this person. They weren't sure who this person was but that rectangular door reminded them of TVA so all of them suspected it was Kang so all of them shot at him.

### Chapter 330: Uatu

Then the most amazing thing happened. The lightning from Thor, Tony's laser blasters, Wayne's heat vision and even Steve's lightning all got stuck in mid air. It was as if the attacks couldn't travel in space any more. And after a second all the attacks vanished. All were dumbstruck by this. They never expected that this new guy would be so overpowered.

John's eyes squinted and now he was sure who this person was.

"Immortus, why are you here?" John asked.

"Immortus..... only they call me by that name. You really are the person they told me about." the person mumbled under his breath. nove(l)bi(n.)com

"Who told you what?" John, who was able to clearly listen to his mumbling, asked.

"You know who I am referring to since you called me Immortus." the person replied. John then nodded his head when he said that. He really knew who this guy was referring to.

"Why are you here? And not for a second lie to me." John asked in a stern tone.

"You are not powerful yet to threaten and intimidate me. You have not reached that level yet. I can't touch you but that doesn't mean I can't touch your friends." Immortus said.

"Try touching me or my friends. I am sure they will come for you the next second. Do you think your actions here will go unnoticed by them? You are in that position because that has been your destiny. It was set the moment you were born, so don't be all high and mighty in front of me."

"Are you sure about this?"

"Do you think you can deceive me? And even if you are given a free licence by them, we have the time stone. Do you think you are the only person who has control of time?" John asked. The people who were behind now understood why their attacks failed before. It was time powers, just like Kang used with Loki. He literally stopped their attack by slowing down time.

"You really know everything. Don't you?" Immortus said.

"I don't. I still don't know why you are here? You better be clear. Or I will ask Strange to beat the s\*\*t out of you." John said.

"You are scary, you know that?" Immortus said.

"I am not in the mood Rama-tut. I am not Fantastic Four. I have a very low tolerance. Strange, get the time stone." John said as Strange flew over seeing all the commotion happening near Thanos.

"Stop, stop. Jesus. You are one nasty guy." Immortus said.

"You have no idea how nasty I can be. You all sit high and mighty but when the real problems come, you just vanish from your positions. I have had fake Gods with you. You have no right to interfere after abandoning us now." John said but this was probably to the omnipotent gods who he was sure was listening and watching this battle.

"I am here to take away Thanos." Immortus said.

"Oh no you aren't." Tony said as he took out all his thrusters. Strange brought out the time stone. He always kept it with himself as it was safe that way. Wayne and others were ready to attack.

"You see Immortus, my friends here say no. So I just can't allow you." John said as his hands caught fire now turning into wings. Half of the body has already transformed.

"I don't have a choice. They asked me to bring him." Immortus said in a calm tone. His face didn't have fear.

"I don't believe you for a second." John said.

"He is speaking the truth." said a voice from the side.

"Huh!!" All turned their heads only to see a bald man with golden armor. He wore a blue cape behind him. John who saw this was really surprised now. If Immortus didn't surprise him much then this guy definitely astonished him.

"Uatu. You are not supposed to interfere." John said as he got his bearings back. Yes, it was Uatu, the Watcher.

"Who is this baldy? Another enemy of ours." Tony as he pointed his hands at Uatu. Wayne had seen this guy before in John's memories. So he had an idea who this was.

"Lower your weapons." Wayne spoke up. By now all the Avengers have arrived. The army of Thanos had already fallen with none remaining, even the leviathans were all killed. They were surprised to see totally new people in the field. Even the kages had arrived to see what the whole commotion was about.

"Wait? He isn't an enemy?" Thor asked. Wayne shook his head indicating that this new bald guy wasn't. Though they weren't sure why he wasn't, since John had still not attacked, it meant that there was more to the story than they know.

This new guy Immortus pissed John off by a notch for sure, but John's tone changed when he talked with this new person called Uatu.