

I NEVER
IMAGINED I WOULD
SPEND EVEN A MONTH
WORKING IN A PLACE
LIKE THIS.

IT IS FAR
TOO LUXURIOUS
FOR AN ORDINARY
EMPLOYEE,

ESPECIALLY
FOR MY VERY
FIRST DAY.

TRUTHFULLY,
I AM
UNEASY.

SOMETHING
FEELS OFF.

AND YET,
A QUIET VOICE
INSIDE ME
WHISPERS TO
SIMPLY ENJOY
THE MOMENT.

WHATEVER
IS MEANT TO
HAPPEN...
WILL HAPPEN.

MAKING
FULL USE OF
THESE FACILITIES
IS UNDENIABLY
PLEASANT.

OH—
BLACK PAJAMAS.

I THOUGHT
THERE WAS
AN UNSPOKEN
RULE THAT BLACK
BELONGS TO
THE NOBLES.

BUT SINCE
NO ONE IS
WATCHING...

KYAHHAHA—!

EACH CASTE
POSSESSES ITS OWN
DOMINANT COLOR,

GOVERNED BY
AN UNSPOKEN LAW.



PROLES ARE
DISCOURAGED FROM
WEARING BLACK,

THE COLOR THAT
SYMBOLIZES POWER,
CONTROL, AND THE RIGHT
TO COMMAND.

BLACK IS THE COLOR
OF THOSE ENTITLED
TO DECIDE THE FATE
OF OTHERS.

THE MORE
TIME PASSES,

THE MORE
SUSPICIOUS THIS
ALL FEELS.

EVEN
THE FOOD I
ORDERED WAS
FREE.

DO I NOT
HAVE TO PAY
FOR ANYTHING?



THIS IS
UNSETTLING.

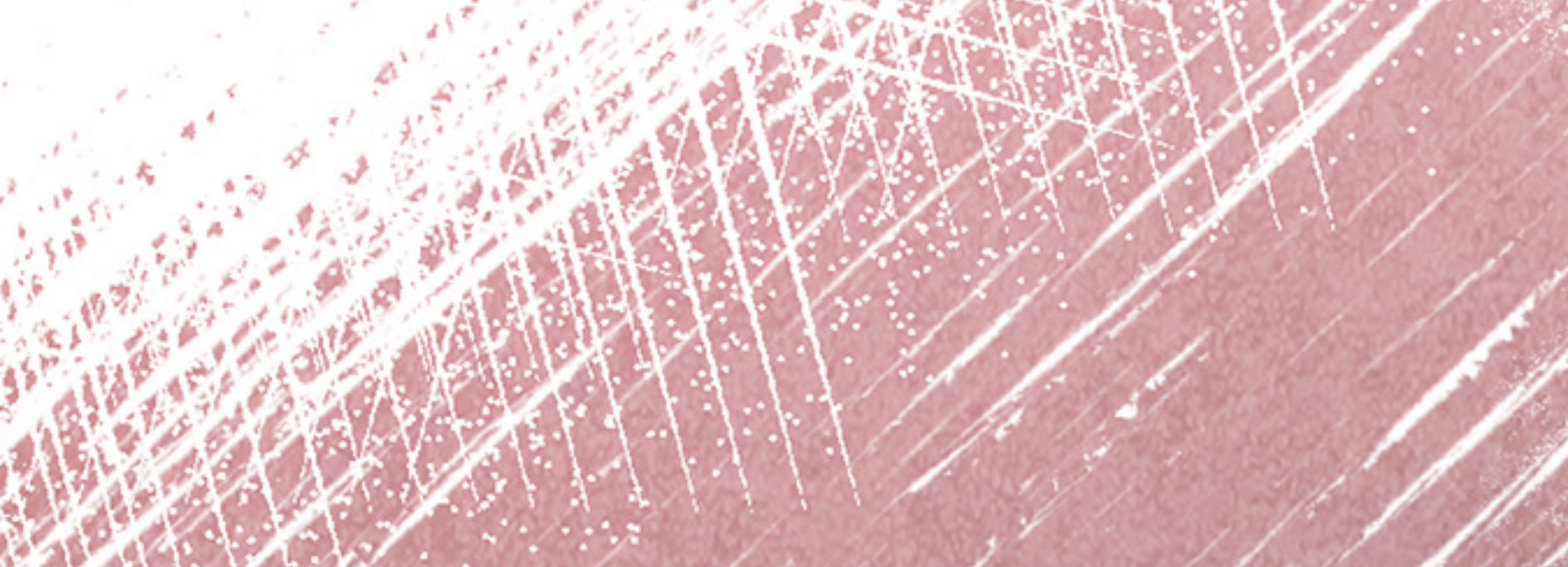
I SHOULD
INVESTIGATE..



BUT PERHAPS
AFTER A NAP.

See you
later, world!





HAVE
A GOOD REST,
LORD ROSENCHILD.

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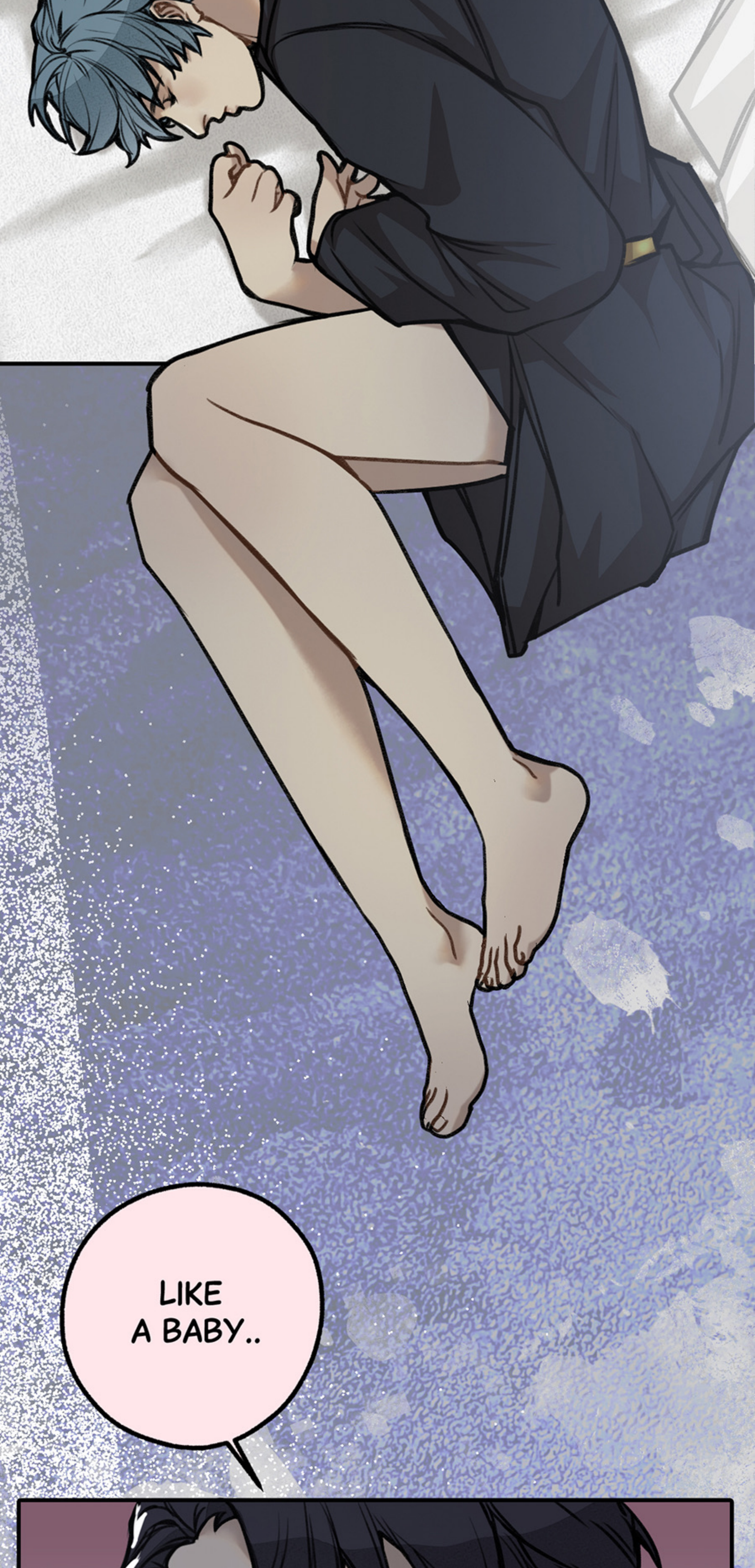


WHOOOSH—



MY, MY...

LOOK WHO'S
EATEN TOO MUCH
AND FALLEN ASLEEP
LIKE A BABY.



LIKE
A BABY..



A BABY DOLL.



ANDRE,

ANDRE..

PLEASE
HELP ME...

THEY'RE
COMING.

THEY..
THEY HARM
ME...

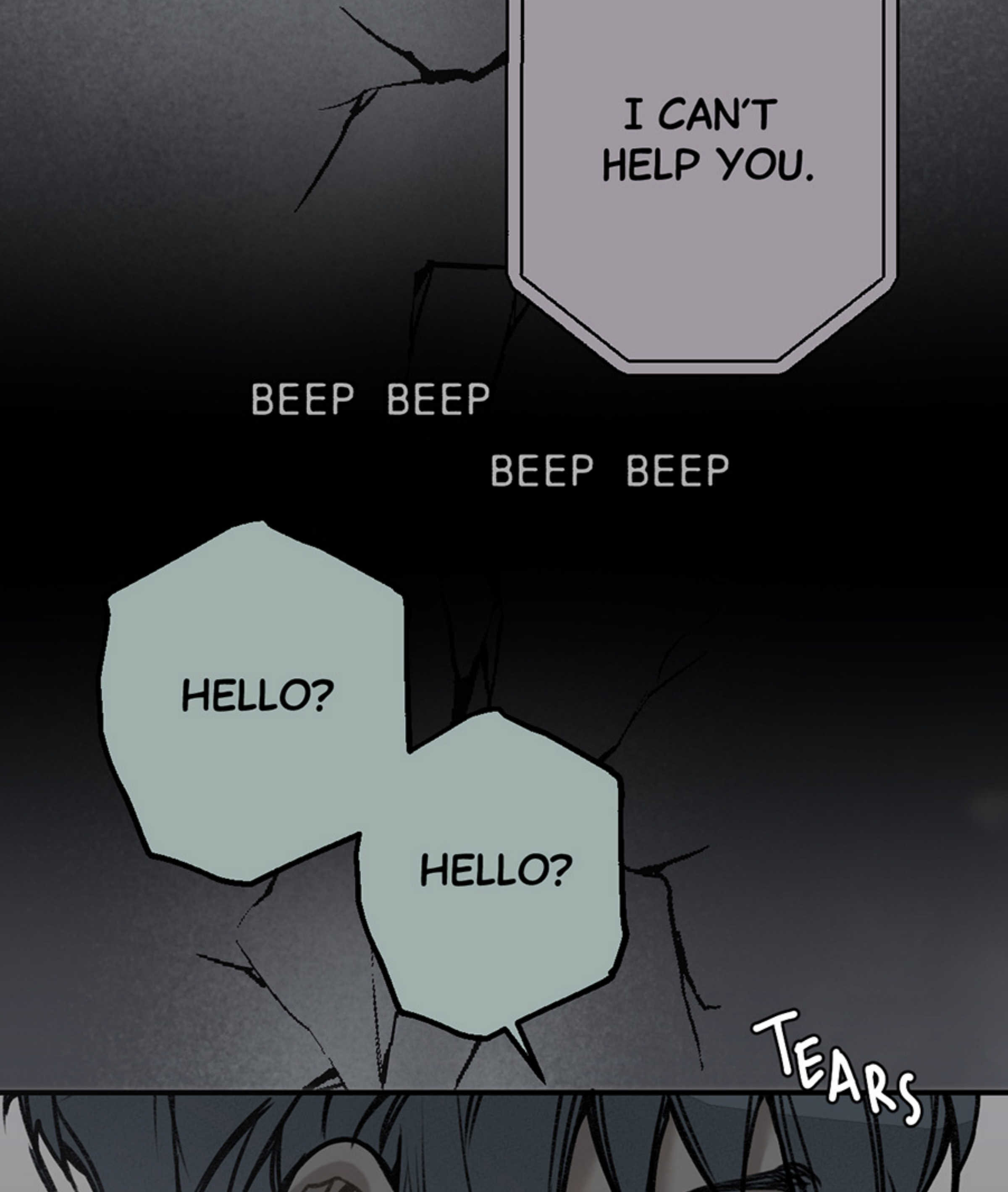
I—I DON'T
UNDERSTAND
WHY THEY'RE
LOOKING FOR
ME...

MIKAYAH...





I'M SORRY.



I CAN'T
HELP YOU.

BEEP BEEP

BEEP BEEP



HELLO?

HELLO?

TEARS



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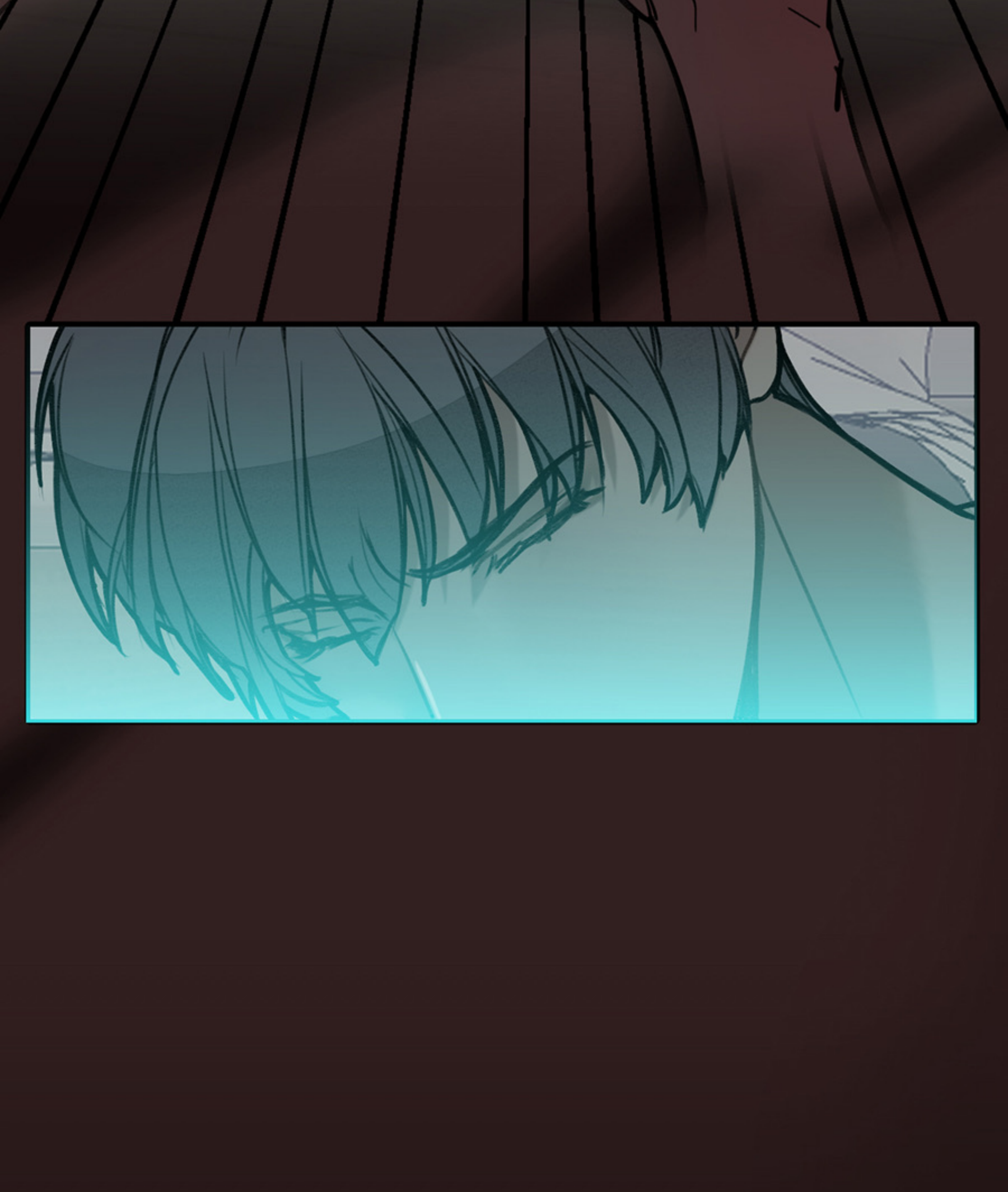
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WHAT'S
THIS
SCENT?

SMELLS SO
DISTINCTIVE..



CEDAR..WOOD..

YOU ARE
SAFE WITH
ME.



BANG

BANG

BANG

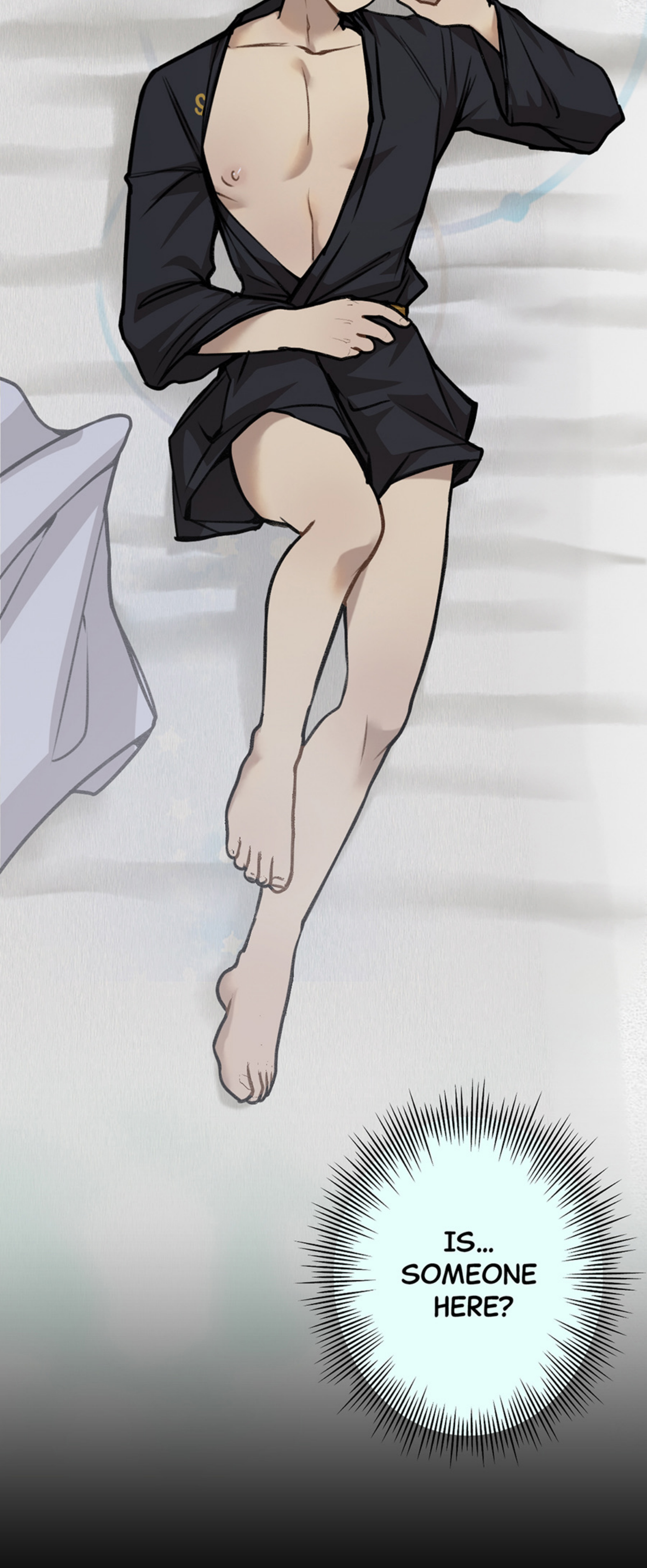


NG...

DID YOU
SLEEP WELL IN
MY BED, WRAPPED
IN MY PAJAMAS,
BABY DOLL?



IS...
SOMEONE
HERE?



YOU LOOK
PEACEFUL.

ALMOST AS
IF THE WORLD
HASN'T TOUCHED
YOU YET.

CEDARWOOD
SCENT...

Rub
Rub

MM...?

HOW LONG
WAS I ASLEEP...?

LONG ENOUGH
FOR YOU TO
FORGET WHERE
YOU ARE.

THAT'S ALL
THAT MATTERS.