1.1 Exterior. Night. Overhead shot of a midtier US city. Think of like a Cleveland or Houston. One massive tower stands taller than all else on the city's skyline. This is the tower of gods. Lesser gods of Olympus that do not consort as much with Zeus conspire here.

Caption

Born of God and man.

### Caption

I never felt at home in either world.

1.2 Street view of the entrance to the massive building. Have very ornate trimmed doors and other trappings of wealth. They are made from glass. In front there is a doorman greeting people passing by.

Caption

Desperate to belong.

1.3 Our protagonist, Asclepius, is mid-walk toward the entrance. We are viewing him behind at this point. But we can see he is dressed in a large trenchcoat and fedora ala Thing or Raphael.

### Caption

I did everything to make mankind love me.

1.4 The doorman calls out to Asclepius. Maybe you want the doorman to hastily position himself in front to impede Asclepius.

### Caption

They worshiped me for it instead.

**DOORMAN** 

Sir, please--

2.1 Interior. We are looking at the lobby of the building. There are people milling about or lounging in luxury. No care in the world because nothing can touch them.

### Caption

Nothing could displease me more.

2.2 Crash. The doorman comes flying through the door. If you made them glass, have the glass shattering and flying in the air alongside him.

SFX

**CRASH** 

Caption

You see, my father was Apollo.

Caption

And as gods do, he took a mortal.

2.3 Asclepius stands in the open doorways with his hands holding explosives in them.

Caption

Problem is... my mother was a princess.

**ASCLEPIUS** 

Everyone out!

**ASCLEPIUS** 

Now!

2.4 People are in shock rushing around like their heads are cut off due to this crazy situation.

Caption

She was betrothed to another.

3.1 Three large security guards rush at Asclepius.

## Caption

Despite carrying the seed of a god...

3.2 The first large guard tries to lunge at him with a massive punch.

## Caption

She returned to her lover.

3.3 Asclepius slips the punch with ease.

### Caption

This enraged Apollo.

### Caption

He killed my mother.

3.4 He returns with a massive uppercut. The hand is still holding the explosive device so this is a huge loaded punch and dangerous at hell.

### Caption

As my mother laid on her funeral pyre...

### Caption

The gods took pity.

3.5 The guard lands at the feet of guard #3.

## Caption

They cut me out of my dead mother's body.

4.1 Guard #2 has circled to Asclepius' side as this was happening and now is bull-rushing him.

## Caption

Living amongst the gods as a child was no life.

4.2 The guard blast him in the side with a massive tackle. Asclepius' fedora goes flying.

## Caption

Even those pity granted me a place among them...

### Caption

Sneered at the half blood.

4.3 Asclepius lands with a sick snap sound.

SFX

Snap

### Caption

Tiring of this, I escaped to the land of man.

- 5.1 Asclepius has rolled to his side and he see he has broken his arm.
- 5.2 Asclepius has stood back on his feet with his broken arm dangling hideously.
- 5.3 Suddenly the arm is glowing and has snapped back into place.
- 5.4 Reaction shot of guard #3. He is freaking out.

**GUARD** 

Oh god...he's a healer.

5.5 Guard #2 is retreating as he calls out to his fellow guard.

GUARD #2

Fall back.

GUARD #2

Code Olympus!

6.1 Asclepius has walked over to the elevators. Several are open ready for use.

## Caption

I was blessed with this gift.

6.2 Asclepius tosses one of his explosives into an open elevator.

## Caption

The power to heal every hurt.

6.3 He continues his path toward the staircase.

## Caption

This made the gods furious.

6.4 As he gets to the staircase doorway, the explosives go off. Can we get a giant opaque boom in the background of the panel?

### Caption

Zeus struck me down.

7.1 Even before Asplecius can even get to the bottom stair, a guard in full battle armor rushes at him.

### Caption

But as I said, he was not alone in his anger.

#### **BATTLE GUARD #1**

Stop where you are.

7.2 Asclepius is in the middle of taking off his trench coat.

### Caption

You would think someone so all powerful wouldn't need allies to do what he did to me.

7.3 He hurls it at the guard's head.

### Caption

Who knew the gods could be cowards?

7.4 The coat catches the guard square in the face.

7.5 Before the coat can even fall, Asplecius has followed up with a massive punch to the guard's face.

### Caption

None of them will escape what is coming to them.

7.6 He gets no time as now another guard is coming down the top of the staircase. He is moving his hand toward where his gun is.

### **BATTLE GUARD #2**

Who are you suppose--

- 8.1 Asclepius is rushing up the stairs. It's hard to see but at the same time he is reaching for his pocket.
- 8.2 He tosses a pair of brass knuckles.
- 8.3 The brass knuckles hit the man as he fired his gun.

SFX

Whack

SFX

Blam

- 8.4 The guard is dropping his gun as Asclepius draws near him on the stairs.
- 8.5 Asclepius blasts the guard right in the jaw with a punch.
- 8.6 With the guard out, Asclepius reaches for the brass knuckles. But as he does we can see another guard rushing down the flight of stairs above him.

- 9.1 Asclepius is hitting the guard in the ankle with his brass knuckles. This is snapping the ankle.
- 9.2 As the guard is falling from the broken ankle, Asclepius rises to meet him with a headbutt.
- 9.3 The guard collapses on to the last guard Asclepius knocked out.
- 9.4 Asclepius is feeling a bit woozy from the impact to his skull. He has reached up to his head to steady himself.
- 9.5 His hands glow to heal himself.
- 9.6 He finally gets to the top of the first flight of stairs.
- 9.7 As he rounds the corner to advance upward he gets shot in the shoulder.

- 10.1 Asclepius collapses to the wall grabbing at his gunshot wound.
- 10.2 The guard attempts another shot.
- 10.3 The bullet hits where Asclepius was. What's left is a blood trail smeared alongside the wall.
- 10.4 He rushes up the stairs as three more bullets fly by his ear.
- 10.5 Whack. Big impact as Asclepius hits a flying knee strike to the guards face.

- 11.1 His ascent continues. As he steps past the guard that shot him he begins healing his gunshot wound.
- 11.2 Above him on the stairs is a group of panicked minor gods. They have ran out of whatever rooms they were in and are in various states of undress.
- 11.3 Low shot. The bullet that was in his arm has fallen on the step he is on.
- 11.4 The gods freeze in fear.

ASCLEPIUS Go!

11.5 The gods flee past him in a hurry.

# **PAGE 12 & 13**

- 12.1 & 13.1 Interior. We are now in a tight corridor. We get a long shot of the corridor. One end of the hallway is Asclepius. The other is a group of high tech guards. They all carry the stun batons. Throughout the hallway there are several doors.
- 12.2 Asclepius begins rushing at the group of guards.
- 12.3 Suddenly a massive guard crashes out one of the rooms.
- 13.2 The guard bulldozes Asclepius, crashing them into the far wall.
- 13.3 Pin against the wall as the guard grinds his shoulder into Asclepius' skull.
- 12.4 That skull begins to buckle and there is a sound like it is cracking from the pressure.

SFX

Crack

- 12.5 Asclepius desperately attempts to reach up to claw at the massive guards eyes.
- 13.4 The guard pulls his head back so Asclepius cannot reach his head.
- 13.5 Asclepius arms go limp from the serious amount of pain.

- 14.1 Now at the point of passing out due to the pain, his eyes have rolled back into his head.
- 14.2 Suddenly there is an enormous explosion blasting out of a nearby room.
- 14.3 Asclepius has sprung to life and punches the guard in his testicles. Yes he is still wearing those brass knuckles.
- 14.4 The massive guard drops to a knee from the intense pain.
- 14.5 Asclepius has climbed onto his back and begins to choke him out.
- 14.6 The massive guard's body collapses on the floor as the set of 5 guards from before start rushing past the room that just exploded. Basically they are having to run past an inferno.

- 15.1 Can't have a hallway sequence without the wall punch. So this panel Asclepius jumps at the wall.
- 15.2 He bounces off of it.
- 15.3 He blasts the first guard in the face with his fist.
- 15.4 He is midroll, recovering from toppling the first guard.
- 15.5 He springs up and throws a sidekick toward the second guard.
- 15.6 The guard catches Asclepius' leg.

- 16.1 The second guard throws Asclepius' leg in an attempt to throw him off balance.
- 16.2 Asclepius catches his balance.
- 16.3 The second guard swings his stun baton.
- 16.4 Forcing Asclepius to duck.
- 16.5 Asclepius bullrushes the second guard knocking him and third guard behind him into the fire from the exploded room.

- 17.1 Guard two and three land in the fire, while Asclepius lands upon them safely.
- 17.2 Asclepius rips the stun batons from guards two and three.
- 17.3 He throws the first stun baton at guard 4.
- 17.4 Guard 5 rushes down Asclepius but he runs into the end of the second stun baton.

18.1 Interior of an executive suite. Asclepius crashes into the room. He hasn't taken the moment to heal himself yet so he is worse for wear.

18.2 Sitting at a grand desk in Angelos. Daughter of Zeus.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Angelos.

18.3 Angelos looks at Asclepius with pompous contempt.

### **ANGELOS**

Who are you little god?

18.4 Asclepius spits out a bit of blood.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

I was like you.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

I know how Hera shunned you.

18.5 He continues as he begins walking toward her desk.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

But Zeus, your father took you in.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Sending you to be cleansed in Hades.

19.1 He arrives at the edge of the desk.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

He abandoned you there until it was convenient to bring you back.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

You should be filled with hate.

19.2 He knocks things off of her desk.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Instead of seeking revenge.

## **ASCLEPIUS**

You are here. Docile. Under thumb.

19.3 Angelos pulls a gun out of her drawer.

19.4 Shakily she points it at Asclepius.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

I will kill Hera who wronged you.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Then Apollo, who wronged my mother.

19.5 He leaps across the desk.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Then I will come for Zeus.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

Who wrongs us all.

- 20.1 The two wrestle over the gun.
- 20.2 The gun goes off.
- 20.3 Angelos lays blood flowing out of her.
- 20.4 Asclepius reaches down and brings her back to life.

## **ASCLEPIUS**

Not yet!

### **ASCLEPIUS**

This is the power Zeus feared.

20.5 He sits wearily in her chair.

## **ASCLEPIUS**

The power over death.

### **ASCLEPIUS**

I will kill Zeus over and over for every one of the humans, demi-gods and gods he has screwed.