

ANDROPHONIA // BRAVERY FROM THE BACKLINE

[ TS!US PAPYRUS : PHASE 2 ]



*“ALL YOU DO IS ABUSE THE KINDNESS OF THIS WORLD.”*  
*“YOU STRIKE DOWN WHOEVER TRIES TO FIGHT BACK WITH NO REMORSE...”*  
*“AND THOSE WHO TRY TO SEE PAST YOUR ACTIONS ARE ONLY USED.”*  
*“OVER AND OVER..”*  
*“...”*  
*“I KNOW THE REST HUMANITY IS NOT AS CRUEL AS YOU.”*  
*“BUT PEOPLE LIKE YOU..”*  
*“THEY MAKE ME UNDERSTAND THAT KINDNESS CANNOT EXIST WITHOUT CRUELTY.”*

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**ANDROPHONOVANIA**  
//  
**“UNSTOPPABLE FORCE”**

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[ REDEMPTION ISN'T SOMETHING YOU CAN TAKE BY FORCE.]  
[ IT STARTS WITH A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.]  
[ AND YOU'VE LONG BEEN OFF THAT PATH!]

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[ SEEING WHAT I SAW THROUGHOUT THE UNDERGROUND...]  
[ THOSE GLIMMERS OF HOPE I SWORE I SAW IN YOU.]  
[ THEY FADED LONG BEFORE I COULD BRING MYSELF TO ACT.]

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[ I HATE THAT I WAS TOO SCARED TO ACT.]  
[ I WAS GIVEN SO MANY CHANCES TO STOP YOU, BUT I..]  
[ I REJECTED IT ALL FOR **WHAT?!**]

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[ EVEN IF I WIN AGAINST YOU, I'M TERRIFIED OF NEEDING TO FACE THE WEIGHT OF  
WHAT I'VE DONE TOO.]  
[ I KNOW I COULD NEVER BRING MYSELF TO LOOK INTO THE GRIEVING EYES OF  
PARENTS WITH NOW FOREVER MISSING CHILDREN.]  
[ ..AND SAYING I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING!]

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[ THE IDEA OF ME LOSING HERE SHAKES ME TO MY CORE AS WELL.]  
[ SEEING THE UNMATCHED POWER OF HUMAN BRUTALITY..]  
[ I'M HORRIFIED WITH THE IDEA THAT I CAN'T POSSIBLY MATCH UP TO IT.]

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[ YOU'RE BOUND TO KEEP GOING.]  
[ TO YOU, I'M PROBABLY JUST A BLOCKADE..]  
[ NEEDING TO BE BROKEN DOWN LIKE THE REST.]

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[ I'M SADDENED WITH THE REALITY THAT ALL I'VE DONE WILL HAVE AMOUNTED TO  
NOTHING.]  
[ THAT NO MATTER WHAT I DID, YOU STEPPED ON AND USED MY FORGIVENESS TO KEEP  
GOING FORWARD.]

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[ ...THERE'S NO CHANGE IF I PUT MY ALL INTO THIS, IS THERE?]  
[ I'M HARDLY LEAVING A SCRATCH ON YOU.]  
[ THIS BURNING FEELING IN MY SOUL IS DIMMING AWAY JUST AS FAST AS IT CAME.]

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[ I-I'LL WARN YOU NOW!]  
[ STAND DOWN, AND I WON'T HAVE TO USE MY STRONGEST ATTACK!]  
[ I ALWAYS KEEP IT FOR LAST AS A BARGAINING CHIP!]  
[ I WONDER WHY NOBODY ELSE DOES THAT...]

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[ ...SO BE IT!]  
[ AFTER THIS TURN, YOU'LL BE PUT HEAD TO SKULL AGAINST MY SPECIAL ATTACK!]  
[ FINAL CHANCE, HUMAN.]  
[ DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YOU!]

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[ B-BLAST IT ALL!]  
[ THAT FEELING DEEP IN MY SOUL..]  
[ I CAN SENSE IT.]  
[ ...IT'S GONE.]  
[ MAYBE T-THERE..]  
[ WASN'T REALLY ANYTHING THERE.]  
[ BUT I KNOW ONE THING IS TRUE.]  
[ I CAN'T STOP NOW!]  
[ HERE GOES NOTHING.]  
[ MY STRONGEST ATTACK YET!]

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[ HUFF..]  
[ P-PUFF..]  
[ J-JUST..]  
[ L-LOSE..]  
[ PLEASE..]  
[ ...]

{ A final, slow orange bone moves at you, before falling out of the box and hitting the ground.}  
{ Papyrus falls to his knees, exhausted.}

[ OST 101 : “GOOD MORNING.”]

[ ...]

[ I SUPPOSE I WAS RIGHT.]

[ I CAN’T WIN.]

[ I NEVER COULD.]

[ WITH NOTHING LEFT TO PROTECT..]

[ IN A WAY, I THINK IT PREVENTED ME FROM TRULY GOING ALL OUT.]

[ NO DESIRE TO KEEP GOING WITHOUT EVERYONE ELSE.]

[ BUT I KNOW I STILL TRIED THE BEST I COULD.]

[ EVEN WITH THAT AFFECTING ME.]

[ EVEN WITH STILL HAVING THE FAINTEST BIT OF HOPE IN YOU LEFT.]

[ IT’S YOUR TURN NOW.]

[ DO AS YOU PLEASE.]

[ I THINK..]

[ I SHOULD TAKE A PAGE OUT OF SANS’ BOOK..]

[ AND TAKE A NAP.]

[ ...]

[ ..ZZZZZ...]

{ Papyrus is asleep.}

{ FIGHT } { SPARE }