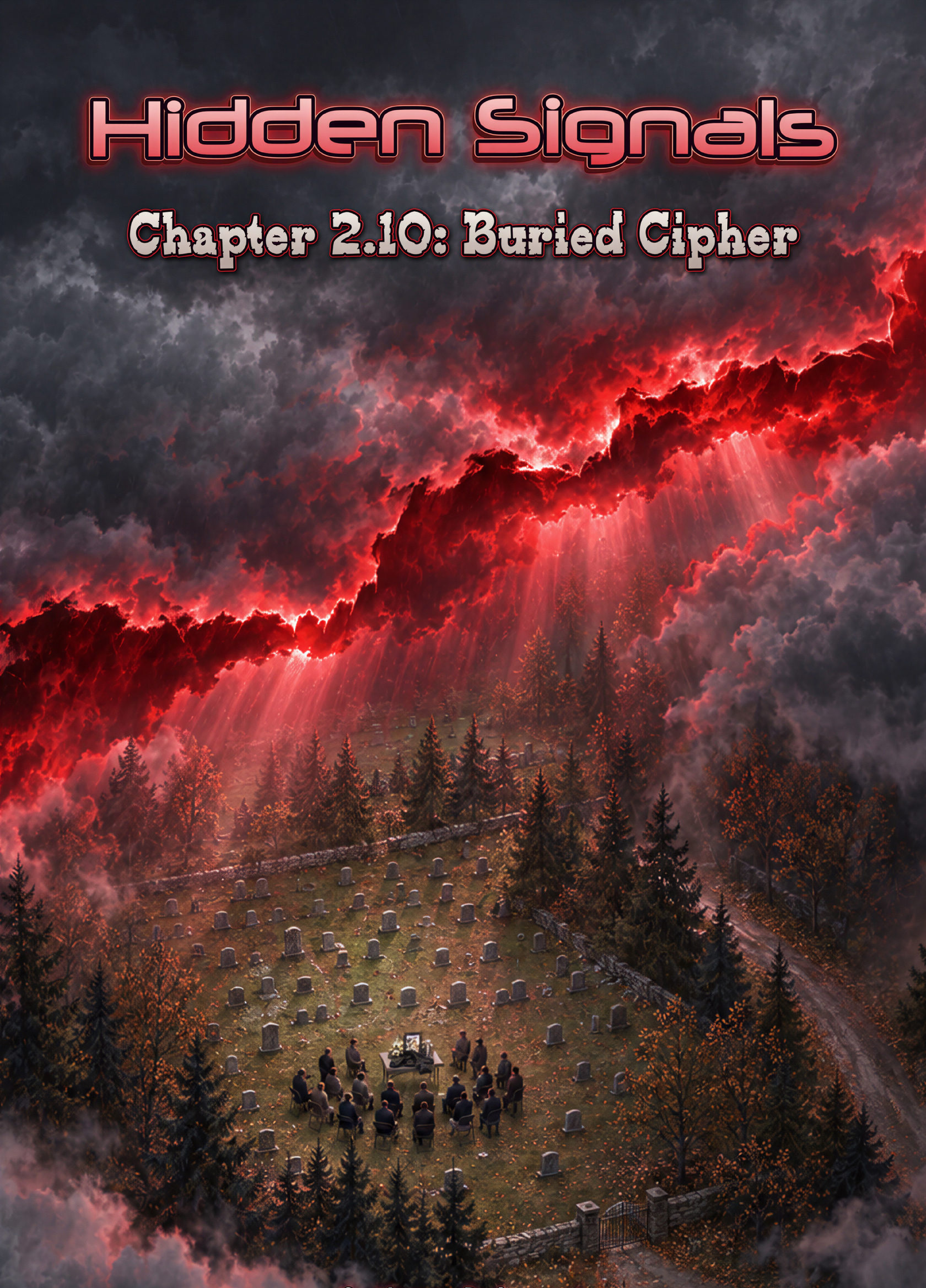
Hidden Signals

Chapter 2.10: Buried Cipher



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THERE'S NO NEED TO RUN.

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

I WANT TO HELP YOU. ALL OF YOU.

YOU DON'T EVEN REALIZE WHAT SHE WAS.

SHE WAS OUR FRIEND.

SHE WAS YOUR JAILER. SHE BUILT THIS CAGE AND CALLED IT KINDNESS.

YOU'RE INSANE.

THEY ALWAYS CALL THE FIRST ONE WHO SEES THE BARS INSANE.

SHE TOLD ME THIS WAS A LIFEBOAT.

BUT A LOCKED DOOR IS A LOCKED DOOR, NO MATTER HOW BAD SHE SAYS IT IS OUTSIDE.

OH, DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT.

I KNOW IT'S FRIGHTENING. IT WAS FRIGHTENING FOR ME TOO BEFORE I UNDERSTOOD.

DO YOU FEEL THAT?

THAT'S ALL THE LITTLE LOCKS GIVING. I COULD OPEN THEM IN MY SLEEP.


I'M GOING TO OPEN EVERY DOOR IN THIS PRISON.

THIS IS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD. YOU'LL UNDERSTAND SOMEDAY.

YOU'LL THANK ME. MAYBE NOT TODAY. BUT YOU'LL THANK ME.







STOP.

THERE YOU ARE.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME.

BUT I KNOW YOU'RE HURTING PEOPLE.

YOU'RE TRYING TO TURN THE LOCK. GOOD.

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BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHICH SIDE OF THE DOOR YOU'RE ON.

YOU'RE LIKE ME.

WE'RE THE DOORS. EVERYONE ELSE JUST WALKS THROUGH.

THE DIFFERENCE IS, I OPENED MY EYES.

GET AWAY FROM THEM!

SHE TOLD YOU, DIDN'T SHE?

THEN YOU KNOW HOW POINTLESS THAT IS.

YOU DON'T REMEMBER THIS, DO YOU?

I CAN'T GET RID OF YOU. BELIEVE ME, I'VE TRIED.

BUT I CAN PUT YOU SOMEWHERE VERY, VERY SMALL.


RUN!





NOW WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE?


...ASTRID?
WHAT THE FU—