

DARK MAN

THE DARK WORDS

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Chapter One: Magical Words

The Dark Man sits against the bare bricks of a wall.

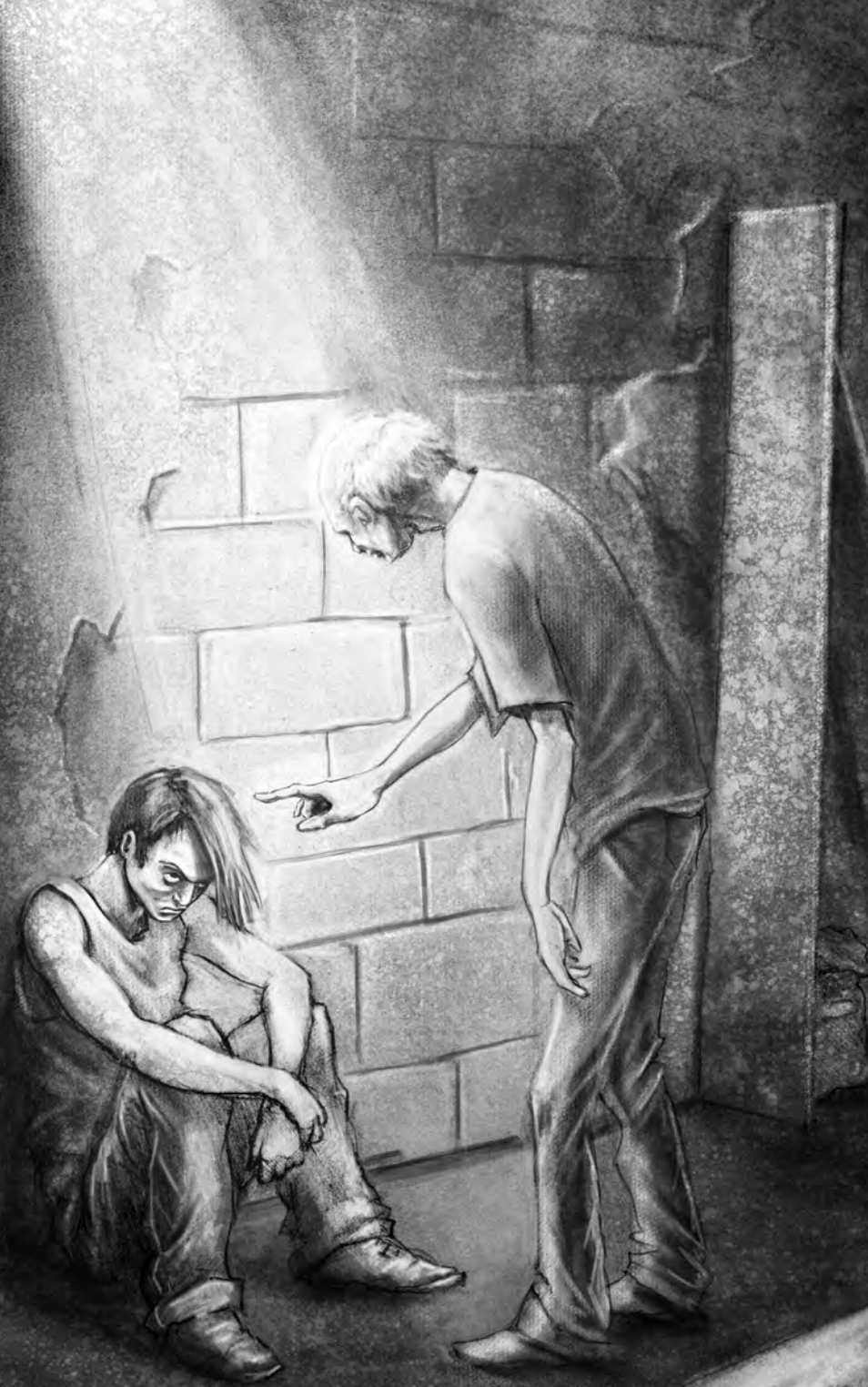
He is in a ruined store.

The sun shines through a hole in the roof.



The Dark Man wants to sleep, but he cannot.





Suddenly, he feels that he is not alone.

He opens his eyes to see the Old Man standing before him.

“You do not look well,” the Old Man says.

“I am very tired,” the Dark Man replies.

The Old Man nods slowly.

“I want you to leave the city tonight,” he says.

“An old document that has been lost for many years has been discovered. It is deep in the forest. It must not fall into the wrong hands.”

“Why is it so important?” the Dark Man asks.

“The words on the document are magical,” the Old Man says. “They are very powerful.”

Later, the Dark Man is walking through the forest.

It is night, and he is walking far from the trail.

