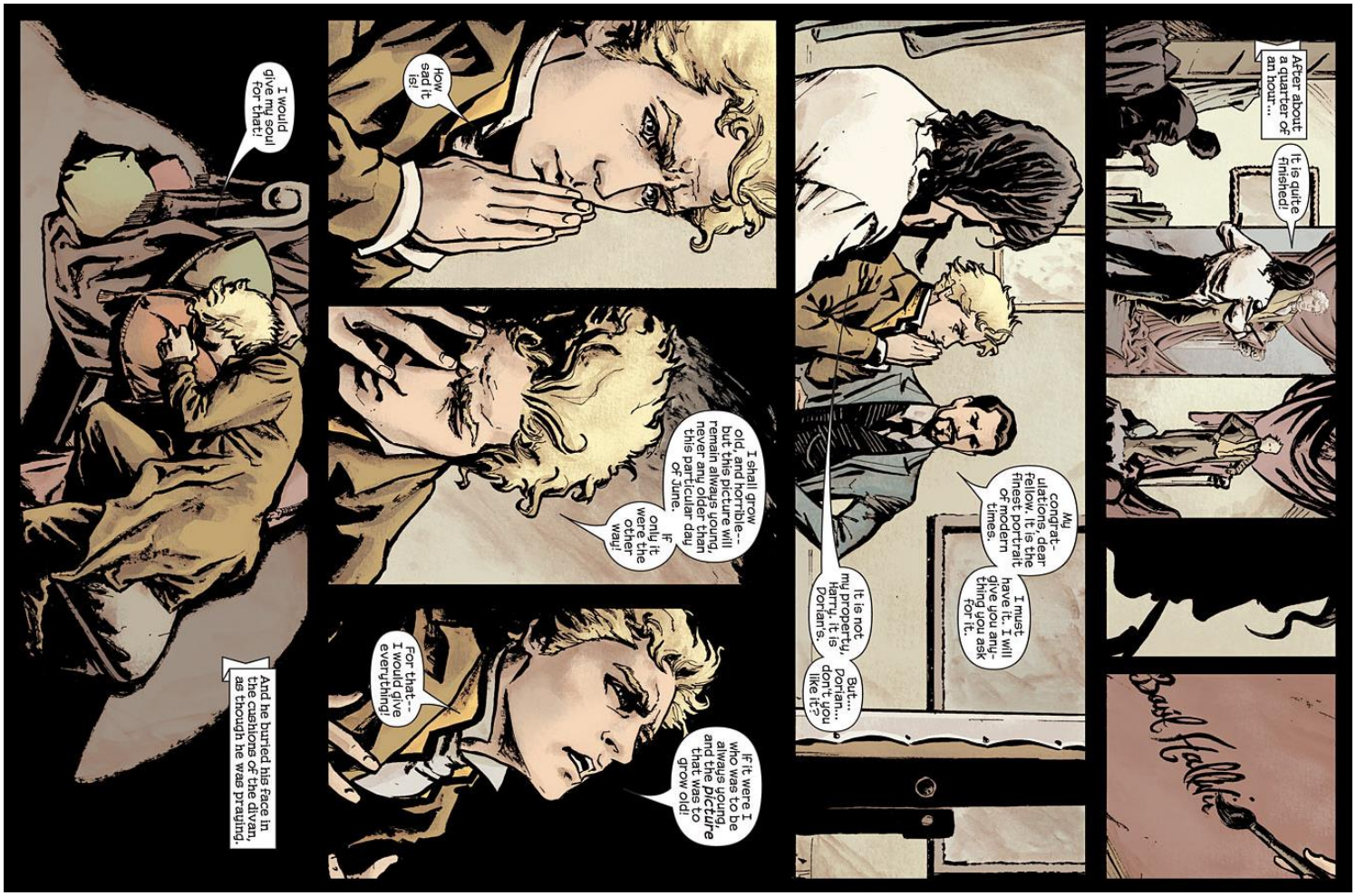

The Picture of Dorian Gray – Marvel comics 2008

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Later that day.

Harry, I want to finish this picture today.

Would you think it awfully rude of me if I asked you to go away?

Am I to go, Mr. Gray?

Oh, please don't, Lord Henry.

I can't bear Basil when he's in one of his sulky moods.

Then stay, Harry, please.

But Dorian, don't pay any attention to what Harry says.

He has a very bad influence over all his friends, with the single exception of myself.

Have you really a bad influence, Lord Henry?

All influence is immoral, Mr. Gray.

The terror of society, which is the basis of morals--the terror of God, which is the secret of religion--these are the two things that govern us. And yet--

Just turn your head a little more to the right, Dorian, like a good boy.

I believe that, if one man were to live out his life fully and completely--were to give form to every feeling, expression to every thought--

--the world would gain a fresh impulse of joy.

The only way to get rid of a temptation is to yield to it.

You yourself, Mr. Gray, with your rose-red youth and your rose-white boyhood, have had passions that have filled you with terror...

...day-dreams and sleeping dreams whose mere memory might stain your cheek with shame--

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Stop! Don't speak! Let me think--or rather, let me try *not* to think.

Basil, the air is stifling here. I must go sit in the garden.

I am so sorry. When I am painting, I can't think of anything else.

I will go with you, Mr. Gray.

I must work up this background... but don't keep Dorian too long.

This is going to be my masterpiece!

You were quite right to come out here... but you must not allow yourself to become sunburnt.

It would be unbecoming.

Why should that matter?

Because you have the most marvelous youth, and youth is the one thing worth having.

I don't feel that, Lord Henry.

No, not now. But someday, when you are old and wrinkled, you will feel it terribly.

Now, wherever you go, you charm the world.

But when your youth goes, and your beauty with it, you will suddenly discover there are no triumphs left you.

Realize your youth while you have it.

Be always searching for new sensations, and be afraid of nothing.

Youth! *Youth!* There is absolutely nothing in the world but youth!

Dorian... Harry...do come in.

The light is quite perfect in the studio now.