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## CLEOPATRA

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"HIStory" is called such as it has proven to be  
somewhat unfair to women-folk,  
"HERstory" is often missing as women lumber  
under a man-dominated yoke.

Sometimes when a woman succeeds, it is  
presumed it is because of her charms, her  
beauty.

It is thought she uses her womanly wiles to  
avoid any duty!

However, this is not the case, as our story you  
will notify –

Sometimes a girl must do what a girl must do,  
just to get by!

The account of the Queen of Egypt, Cleopatra,  
shows us such a lady.

It was a time of much hardship, when Egypt's  
future looked rather shady!







Egypt: rich in culture, abundant in treasure,  
ever-influencing, like its golden sands –  
Once a world power it surpassed all the  
surrounding lands.

However, like its sands, things shifted and  
changed when first Greece and then Rome  
seized power.

Inter-marriage with these foreigners started the  
Egyptian culture to devour.

Egypt's future looked bleak and was in a  
worrying disrepair state.

Then a glimmer of hope – a 14 year old princess  
for her country displayed a love that was very  
great!

For 4 years she ruled alongside her father until  
he died and then she was forced to marry her  
brother, aged ten!

Women could only co-rule with a male, in a  
time dominated exclusively by men!







As time went by, people started believing the  
much-loved Cleopatra was reincarnated as Isis  
the Goddess.

Though her relationship with her Brother-  
husband ended up in quite a mess!  
Boldly Cleopatra removed her Brother's name  
from official documents and only her face  
appeared on government coin.

With such boldness, the modern day word  
"Psycho" and "Chick" you could start to join.  
A female Pharaoh was completely unacceptable,  
Only by being subordinate to male co-rulers  
could this notion be respectable!

This so called "Psycho Chick" as a ruler did not  
her competency feign,  
Even though there were those in the royal court  
who preferred a male, albeit a spoilt child, over  
Egypt to reign!

She was forced to flee and try raising a rebellion  
while in exile,

Her incompetent Brother-husband then would  
commit an act against Caesar that proved to be  
most vile!







If anyone actually thought a male would be a better ruler, such ones would be wrong!

Cleopatra slyly may have started a rumour which got to Brother-husband's ears before long.

He was childish enough to listen to gossip and started to think that to gain Julius Caesar's favour he would have to one of Caesar's enemies behead.

However, presenting as a gift was not Caesar's political enemy but his deceased daughter's husband, yes his son-in-law instead!

Enraged Julius began plans for Egypt to Rome annex.

However, Cleopatra would have to use her feminine intuition and charm Caesar's plans to vex.

While in exile, Cleopatra could not achieve her political goal.

She had to get Caesar on the side of Egypt, so herself in a carpet she did roll!

Smuggled and delivered to the palace, Caesar could not believe what he did see!

Cleopatra really did everything, not only to thwart her incompetent Brother-husband but also Egypt from Rome to free!







The very might of Rome stood behind  
Cleopatra, the Psycho Chick.  
It was a definite advantage that Caesar, at age  
52, was completely with her lovesick.  
Brother-husband tried his best with a civil war  
Psycho Chick to overthrow.  
He however, drowned in the Nile during a  
retreat, his boyish inexperience his woe.  
Psycho Chick was re-instated with another  
brother as Queen.

Although her essential relationship with Caesar  
back in Rome caused quite a scandalous scene.  
The lovers eventually had a son together named  
Caesarian, meaning "Little Caesar."  
A golden statue of Cleopatra was erected in the  
temple of Venus, showing the love of the  
Roman geyser.

Cleopatra tried her son's future to secure by  
suggesting Caesar name him as his heir.  
Julius refused, choosing his grand-nephew,  
Octavian, which seemed completely unfair!







This decision, to refuse his son proved to be fatal, as in 44BC, Julius Caesar was assassinated!  
Octavian had involved others in a conspiracy which had him as dictator abated!  
It was a dangerous place to be, as Cleopatra and her son were visiting in Rome.  
Sharp at wit, she knew it was best to high-tail it out of there and rather go back home.  
Things were not much better there; her co-ruler brother had died, poisoned by their older sister!  
Her enemies ever mounting, to gain control of Egypt, she had to become a strong resistor!  
She chose her son, Little Caesar as co-regent with her,  
And made political alliances with other nations to stop her enemies from taking Egypt's treasure.







It was then that Mark Antony had to stand in  
Julius Caesar's place to fill the vacuum.

He made contact with the Queen as he needed  
assurance that Egypt would the role of ally  
assume.

In time, Mark Antony arranged with Cleopatra  
to meet.

He was most surprised, as he did not expect  
such a lovely creature to greet!

She arrived in pomp and ceremony, how she  
Antony did charm!

All necessary to protect her kingdom and bring  
them under no harm.

It is true that the one thing a man cannot resist;  
His lust will increase with a beautiful woman as  
catalyst.

Antony then extended his stay in Alexandria,  
he really was besotted.

Psycho Cleo thinking politically, the  
relationship encouraged, her ties with Rome  
becoming further knotted







The house of Egypt had been divided for many  
a year.

Cleopatra was not going to allow her power-  
hungry family to drive her into fear.

Her Psycho Chick had to do what was necessary  
Egypt to protect.

She knew her family was incapable as rulers and  
would her people neglect.

First a traitorous Egyptian General had a very  
fatal lesson to learn;

And then Cleopatra's sister was killed on the  
steps of a temple where she from Psycho Chick's  
wrath did sojourn.

Many accused Cleopatra of manipulating  
Antony to kill these enemies with such Psycho  
Chick malice,

However, to protect her own, a mother will do  
anything no matter how "callous".

The love affair was cut short when Antony left  
Cleopatra, with twins very pregnant!

Proving that heartache finds all, no matter if  
royal, cunning or resplendent!







It was as a very single woman, Psycho Cleo gave  
birth to twins, a girl and a boy.

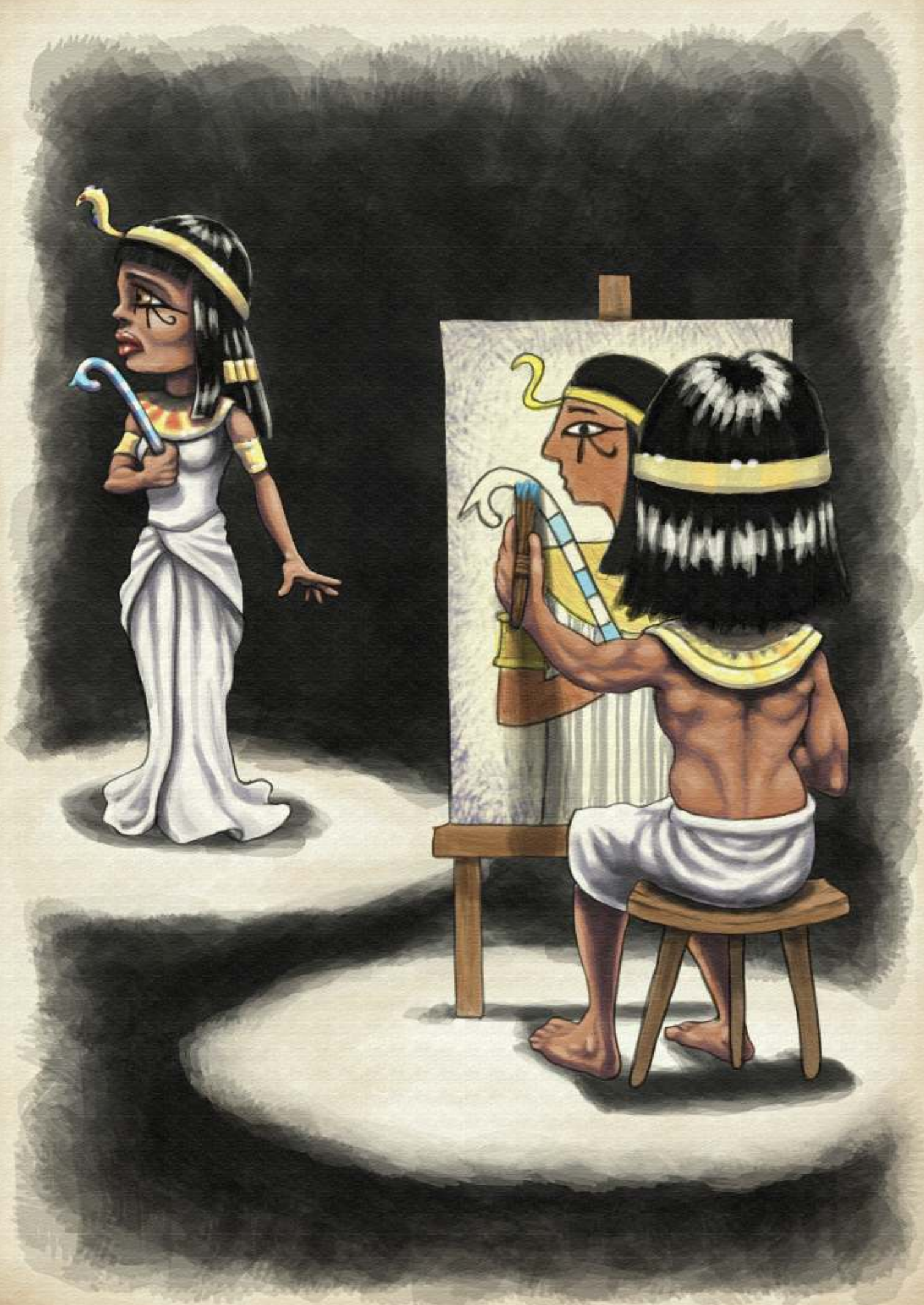
Always passionately caring for and protecting  
them, her children shared her love and joy.  
Cleopatra, even though dubbed a Psycho Chick,  
mainly by Roman propaganda,  
Was a well loved and worshipped leader, her  
people could see through all the slander.  
In the years that followed she did all she could  
to keep her enemies at bay.

Her business sense lead to trade with the East  
which brought Egypt from the poverty demise  
they faced in her Father's day.

Her people called her Philopatris, "She who  
loves her country"; yes she truly served her land.  
It was evident that a man was not needed as  
Egypt flourished under her nurturing hand.  
She never forgot the common people, even  
making sure her portraits were done in the less  
fashionable Egyptian style.

She to them was the reincarnate Isis, the  
Goddess of magic and giver of life, just as was  
the River Nile!







Mark Antony returned four years later, once  
again on the war path.

Even though Psycho Chick needed his backing,  
you could imagine her initial wrath!

Enthralled by her passion, Antony, even though  
married in Rome, with this powerful woman  
had to reunite.

This time he knew he had to stay and married  
her according to Egyptian rite.

It was during their marriage that Psycho Cleo  
had child number four,

While Antony expanded his empire by  
conquering more.

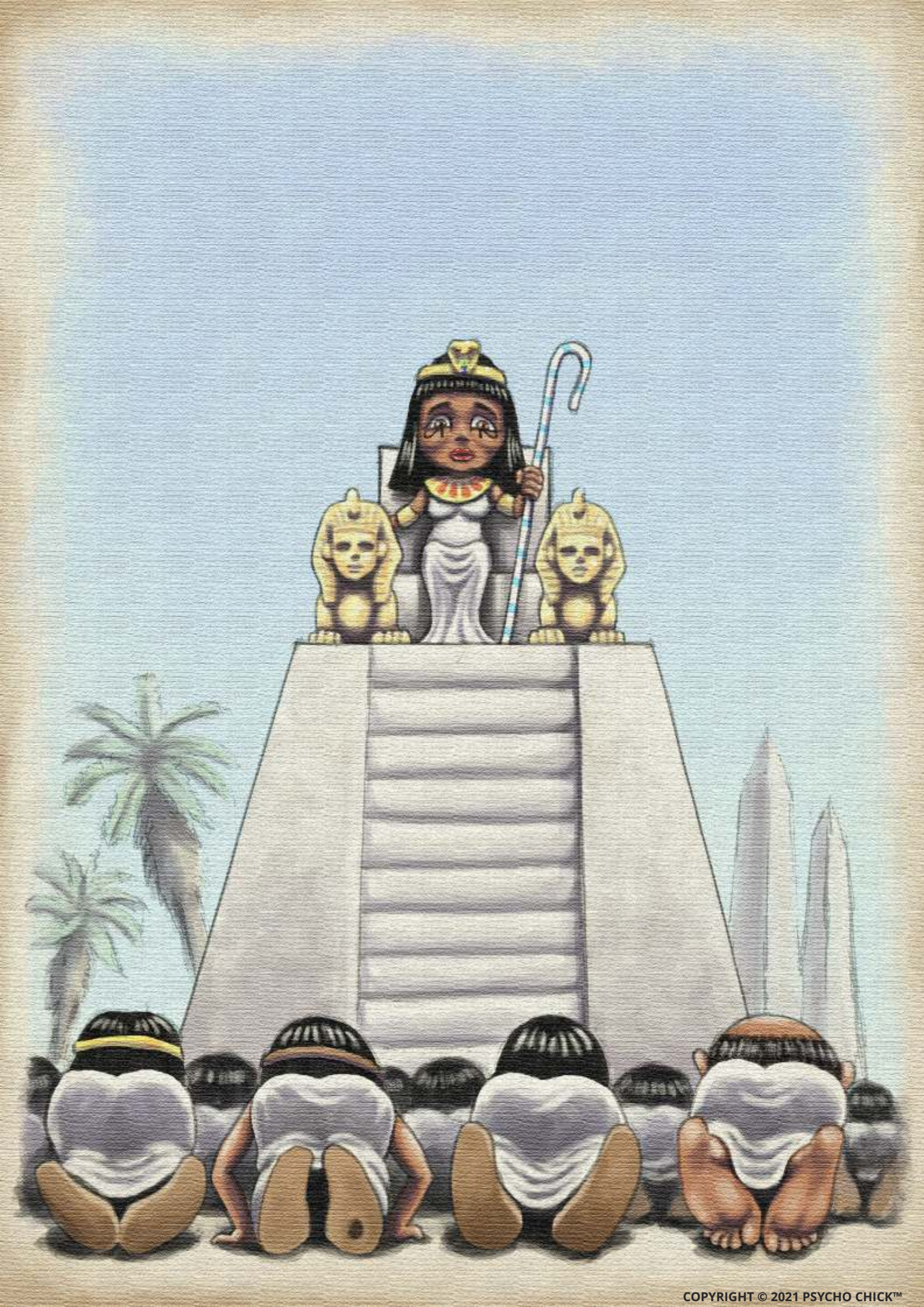
It came to pass that each child over a different  
district was crowned,

And Psycho Cleo with the title, "Queen of  
Kings" was bound!

In Rome, fear began to stir at the implications  
of unleashing the Psycho Chick beast –

She was quite capable of becoming empress of  
the world if she could gain support of the East!







When fear sets in it starts its suffocating grip.  
Before it choked the life out of the Roman  
Empire, the source in the bud someone had to  
nip.

The fallacy of this Psycho Chick grew – a  
seducing prostitute and magic practicing witch  
– added to the myth.

The only solution was this powerful woman to  
be done away with!

Since the betrayal, Antony did not get along  
with Octavian, Julius' grand-nephew.  
These animosities rotted and decayed, for many  
years they did stew.

Continuously the two for power vied,  
Her connection with Julius dictated that  
Cleopatra stayed on Mark Antony's side.  
Then the time came for the senate to declare  
war on Psycho Cleo and on Egypt!

It was time to cross this female Pharaoh, who  
was now equal to a man, from the manuscript!







Mark Antony was also not a complete fool. He knew his relationship with Cleopatra was just as beneficial as her treasury was a necessary tool. Armies do not run on courage alone, the cost is great for any military campaign.

On the other hand, Octavian knew those vast treasure chests were vital to ensure his complete Empire-reign.

Cleopatra did not want a blood bath so she started with Rome negotiations.

With a large bribe she proposed for her and Mark Antony to retire from their royal stations.

This would only be if there were guarantees that her children would be safe and given their birth-right.

She wanted them to carry on her legacy by ruling over Egypt and her people would be left without blight.

The bribe was taken but the answer to her terms was vague and no actual agreement was met. Immediately Cleopatra set Little Caesar off to India as for their lives she began to fret.







War was imminent as the lust for wealth and power escalated – which would spell Rome's eventual doom.

Psycho Chick did her best to secure her children's future and then stashed her sought after riches in her tomb.

In a last attempt to stop Octavian, she threatened to burn the treasure!

Octavian would agree if she presented him with Mark Antony's head! Psycho Cleo now showed her displeasure!

She knew her best chance was to take Octavian on by war ship.

It was a long shot but hopefully of the two forces they could themselves better equip.

Ever the warrior, Psycho Chick join Mark Antony's fleet, together they would stand, all options now depleted.

On seeing the fleets of Rome, Mark Antony's troops cowardly retreated!

They then joined Rome and so with might invaded!

Psycho Chick could do no more, in her mausoleum she herself blockaded!







Psycho Chick had done all she could and tragically Egypt lay defeated, things went from bad to worse.

Mark Antony showing a lack of fortitude at his defeat, into depression he himself did submerge. He thought Cleopatra was dead, all was lost and he then stabbed himself in his abdomen!

In the meantime, Cleopatra was attempting to avoid capture and being displayed like a trophy by Octavian the Roman.

Mortally injured Antony was carried to die in the arms of Cleopatra, his wife.

It was then that Cleopatra heard that Roman soldiers had intercepted her son, Little Caesar and ended his life!

Stricken with grief, Psycho Chick provoked an asp and with two pricks on her arm ended it all! Her heart broken by her incredible loss – her dear son, her husband and her inability to protect her people, as they sadly into Roman rule did fall!







The sorrow and mourning of Egypt was so  
great!

The end of the line of Pharaohs came, Egypt  
became a Roman state.

Psycho Cleo's other three children were taken  
back to Rome and Mark Antony's legal wife  
took care of them as if her own!

Try as they may, the Roman's could not the  
legacy of Cleopatra the "Psycho Chick" destroy!  
She all her talents of wit, charm and beauty  
could employ.

HERstory has shown that women have many  
powers and many faces –

Despite opposition, she can change, adapt and  
grow; many men cannot even tie her laces!

Her heart is big and will always find a way to  
overcome trials;

She will use what she is given and intelligence is  
one of her greatest wiles.

Yes, a girl may do what she has to do to get by,  
But, she will always triumph – she is WOMAN  
that is why!



