

The Aftermath of Illusion

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Summary: Clark is vulnerable to something other than Kryptonite, and the consequences could be disastrous.

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I had a glimpse this week of what it might be like if someone else had my powers.

Someone destructive. Someone dangerous. Someone criminal.

I wish I could say it was someone else, but it wasn't. It was me.

It wasn't my fault. Not really. I am apparently as susceptible to hypnosis as anyone else. But knowing I wasn't in my right mind doesn't make me feel any less guilty.

I gave a young boy back to his kidnapper.

He must have been terrified.

Every time I think about it, I feel slightly sick.

It was naive of me to think that hypnosis wouldn't work on me. My powers are all physical, so why would they protect me against something that isn't? As for being an alien... Well, so much of me works like a normal, human male that it makes sense that my brain does, too.

The consequences could have been absolutely disastrous.

I guess it goes to show how strong the mind truly is.

One thing's for sure. I'm starting to share Lois' opinion of magic.

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