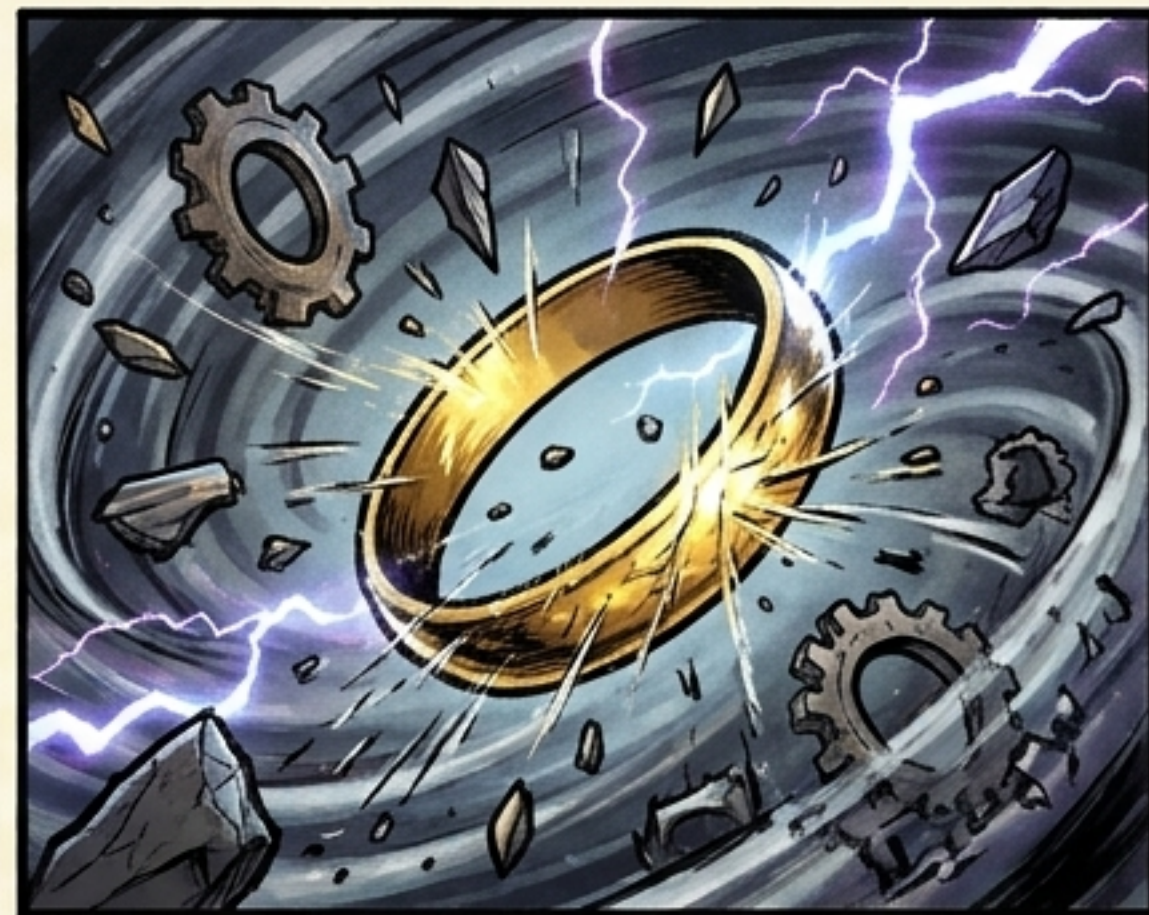




Constant friction inside a piercing channel rapidly abrades thin gold plating.

It was a tough neighborhood and shiny coats never lasted long on these streets.