

I DID  
HAVE A  
FAMILY,  
TYLER...

I *DO* HAVE A  
FAMILY.

MY WIFE AND I  
TALKED AT LENGTH  
ABOUT WHAT THE  
CHANGE WOULD MEAN,  
AND LIKE I SAID...  
HOW COULD I SAY  
NO?

IT WAS HARD  
AS HELL TO LEAVE  
THEM, BUT THIS HAS  
GIVEN ME THE MEANS  
TO HELP THEM AS  
DAVE NEVER  
COULD.

THEY'LL  
NEVER WANT  
FOR ANYTHING IN  
THEIR LIFE, WHICH  
MAKES THE  
SEPARATION  
EASIER.

SO, YOU WERE  
MARRIED TO A  
WOMAN... BUT NOW  
YOU'RE, UM...







DATING  
MEN?


YES, I  
AM.

WERE YOU  
ATTRACTED TO  
MEN-

I ASSUME  
YOU ALREADY  
KNOW THE  
ANSWER.

YEAH, I DO.  
I JUST... THE  
THOUGHT OF BEING  
ATTRACTED TO  
MEN...





I WON'T LIE;  
IT'S A STRANGE SIDE  
EFFECT OF THE  
PROCEDURE.

NOT AS  
WEIRD AS  
THE EYES,  
BUT...

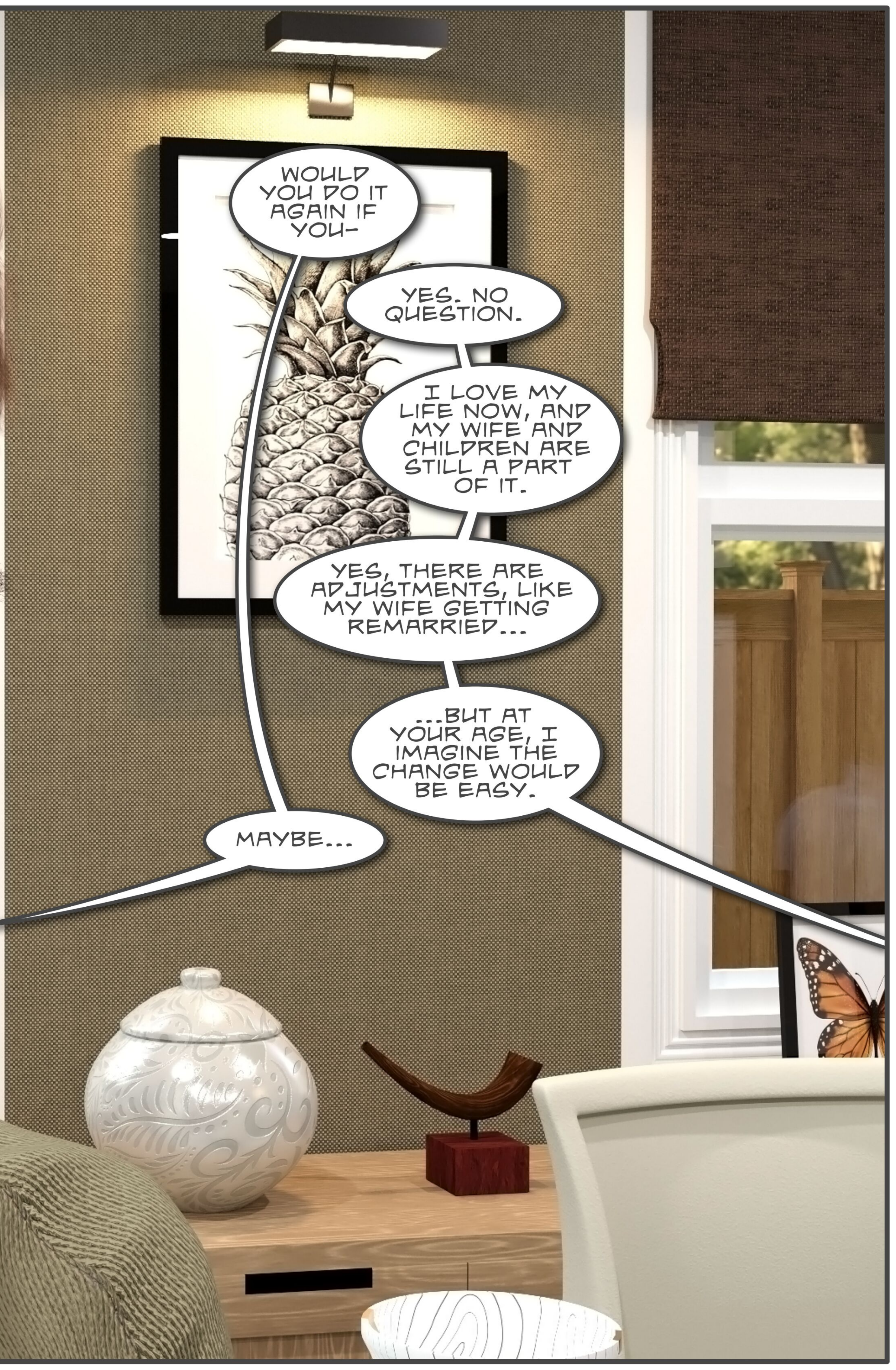
IT GIVES US THE  
BIOLOGICAL DRIVE TO  
REPRODUCE, YET WE  
CAN'T GET  
PREGNANT.

AND IT  
ISN'T...  
WEIRD?

NO. IT WAS  
LIKE... I'D ALWAYS  
HAD THESE  
FEELINGS.

LIKE  
I WAS  
ALWAYS A  
STRAIGHT  
WOMAN.





WOULD YOU DO IT AGAIN IF YOU-

YES. NO QUESTION.

I LOVE MY LIFE NOW, AND MY WIFE AND CHILDREN ARE STILL A PART OF IT.

YES, THERE ARE ADJUSTMENTS, LIKE MY WIFE GETTING REMARRIED...

...BUT AT YOUR AGE, I IMAGINE THE CHANGE WOULD BE EASY.

MAYBE...



I CAN KEEP ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS, BUT I THINK YOU SHOULD TALK TO SOMEONE YOU KNOW AND TRUST.

LIKE... ADAM?

DO YOU TRUST HIM?

HE'S LIKE FAMILY... AT LEAST THE CLOSEST I HAVE NOW.

THEN TALK TO HIM.

WHAT? JUST TELL HIM I'M A CANDIDATE AND SEE HOW HE RESPONDS?



LATER THAT NIGHT...

YOU'RE A  
CANDIDATE!?

A *DIADEM*  
CANDIDATE!?

YEAH. GLORY'S  
EYES WERE...  
GLOWING. IT WAS  
WEIRD.

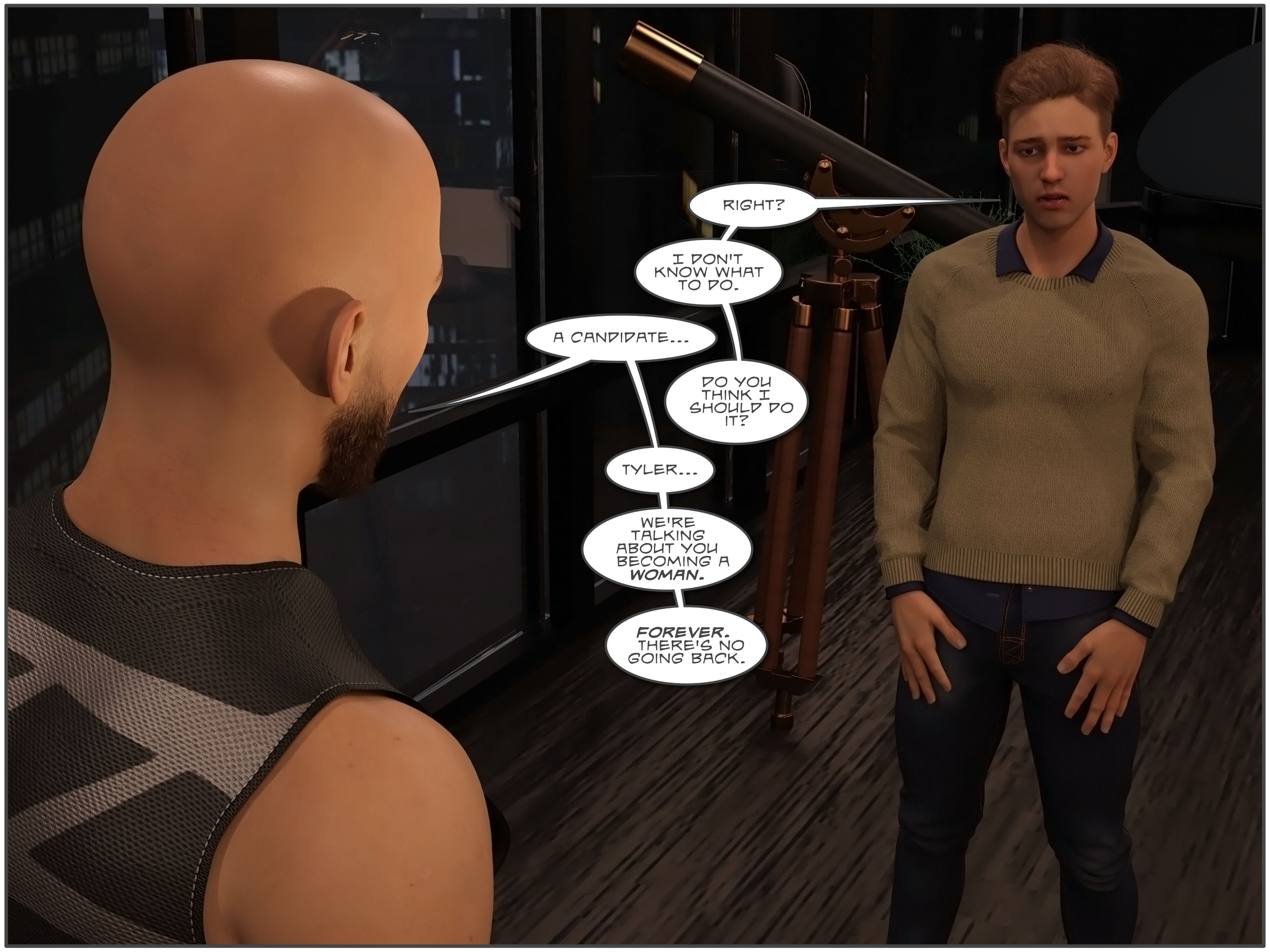
YOU?

A CANDIDATE?

I CAN'T...  
YOUR...

FUCK,  
TYLER!





A CANDIDATE...

TYLER...

WE'RE  
TALKING  
ABOUT YOU  
BECOMING A  
WOMAN.


FOREVER.  
THERE'S NO  
GOING BACK.

DO YOU  
THINK I  
SHOULD DO  
IT?

I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT  
TO DO.

RIGHT?





THE IDEA OF  
BEING A WOMAN  
DOESN'T BOTHER  
ME.

IT DOESN'T?

NO. IT'S THE  
IDEA OF WORKING  
FOR THE COMPANY  
THAT TORE MY  
FAMILY APART.

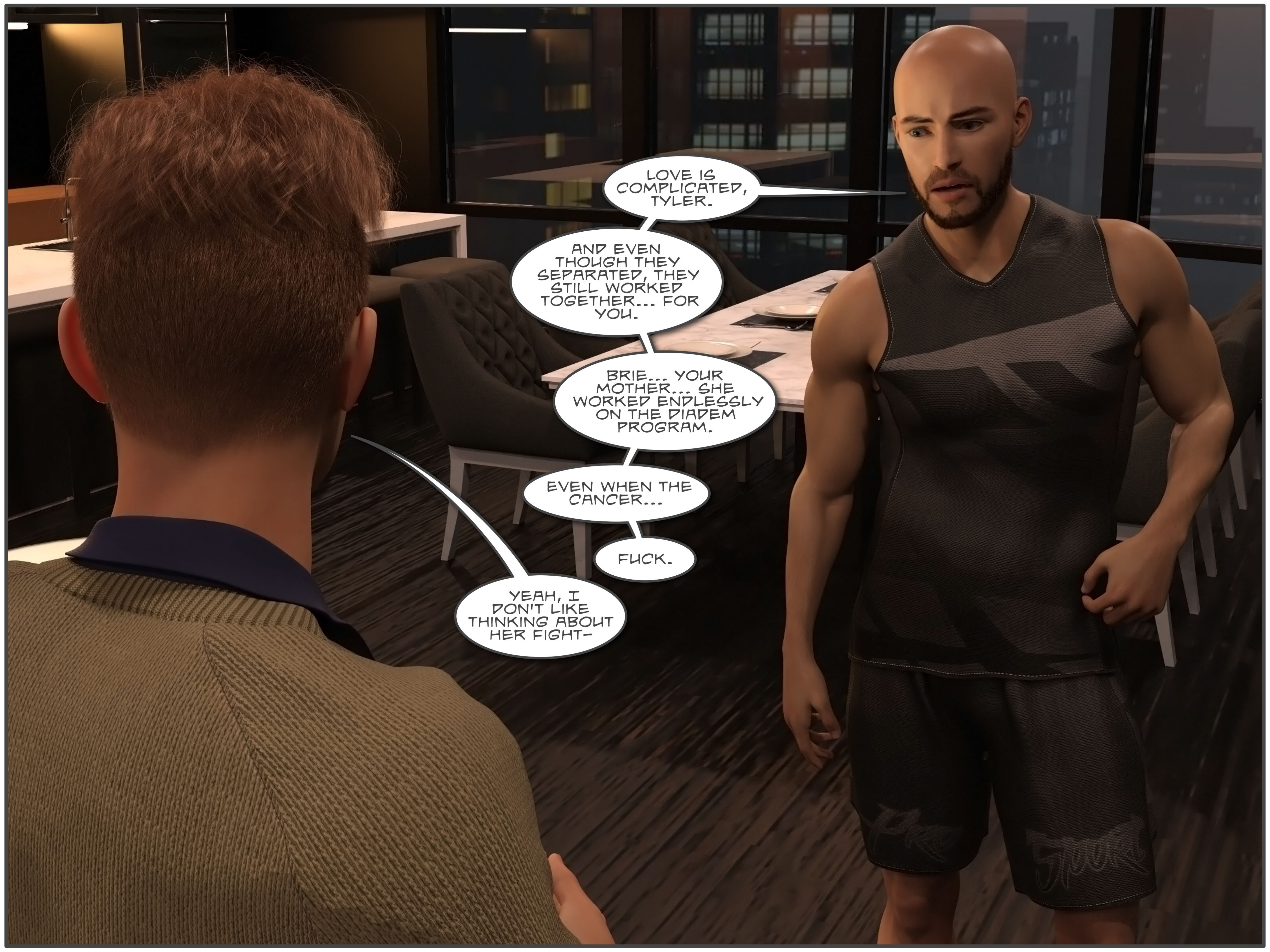
THAT'S  
WHAT  
WORRIES  
ME.

BRIE AND  
GLENN DIDN'T  
SEPARATE  
BECAUSE OF  
THE WORK.

THEY...  
THEY JUST  
GREW  
APART.

BEFORE  
DIADEM, THEY  
WERE HAPPY, AND  
AFTER...





LOVE IS COMPLICATED, TYLER.

AND EVEN THOUGH THEY SEPARATED, THEY STILL WORKED TOGETHER... FOR YOU.

BRIE... YOUR MOTHER... SHE WORKED ENDLESSLY ON THE DIADEM PROGRAM.

EVEN WHEN THE CANCER...

FUCK.

YEAH, I DON'T LIKE THINKING ABOUT HER FIGHT-





I DON'T LIKE THINKING ABOUT THAT EITHER, BUT I'M TALKING ABOUT THE **CANCER** ITSELF.

YOU KNOW THAT'S HOW SHE DISCOVERED THE **DIADEM** PROCEDURE, RIGHT?

SHE WAS TRYING TO FIND A WAY TO **STOP** THE **CANCER** THAT KILLED HER FATHER.

THE SAME **CANCER** THAT KILLED HER, AND...

**\*GASP\***  
**HOLY CRAP.**

TYLER. I DON'T THINK IT'S A COINCIDENCE THAT YOU'RE A CANDIDATE.



ARE YOU SAYING MOM PLANNED THIS!?

YOU HAVE THE SAME MUTATED GENE THEY DID, DON'T YOU?

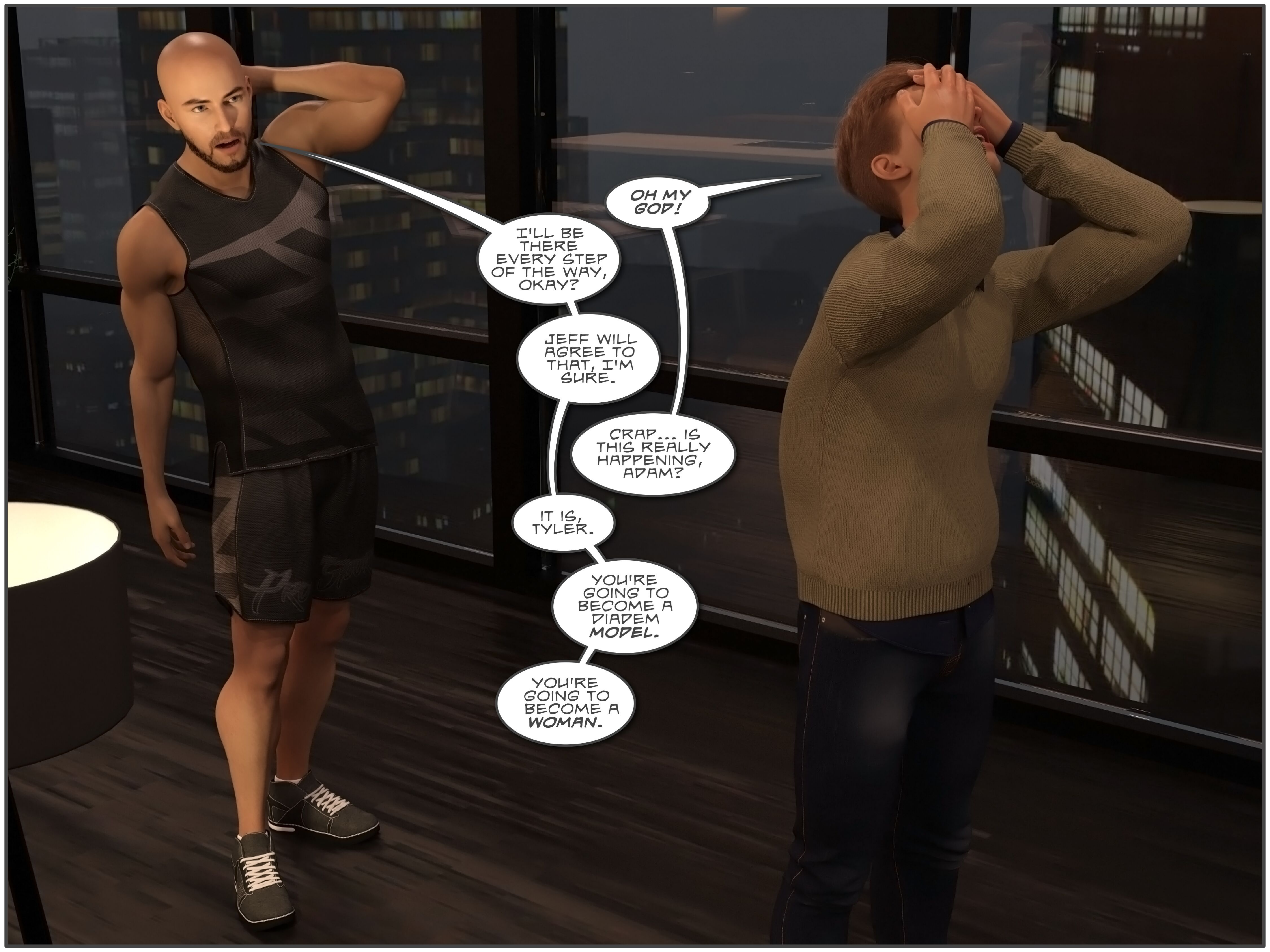
AND THE DIADEM PROCEDURE ENSURES THAT WOULD NEVER LEAD TO-

I... I DO.

ME HAVING THE SAME CANCER THAT KILLED HER AND GRANDPA.







I'LL BE THERE EVERY STEP OF THE WAY, OKAY?

JEFF WILL AGREE TO THAT, I'M SURE.

CRAP... IS THIS REALLY HAPPENING, ADAM?

IT IS, TYLER.

YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME A DIADEM MODEL.

YOU'RE GOING TO BECOME A WOMAN.

OH MY GOD!





YOU'LL BE THERE?

I WILL. THE FACILITY IS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC.

AND YOU'VE DONE THIS—

I WAS THERE WITH KELSEY, AND HONESTLY? IT'S LIKE A VACATION.

A VACATION WHERE I BECOME... A WOMAN.

YEAH. NO MORE DRIFTING NOW, BUDDY...




FIVE DAYS LATER...



HOLY CRAP.





I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MANY SECURITY CHECKPOINTS IN MY LIFE.

I TOLD YOU ON THE FLIGHT OVER THAT THEY TOOK SECURITY **VERY** SERIOUSLY HERE.

TRUST ME, THE LAWYERS HAMMERED THE PRIVACY AND SECURITY CONCERNS PRETTY HARD.

MANY PEOPLE WANT TO **KNOW** HOW THE PROCEDURE WORKS...

...AND MOREOVER WANT TO GET AN UP-CLOSE **VIEW** OF IT HAPPENING.

ALL THAT SECURITY IS THERE FOR YOUR SAFETY. REMEMBER THAT.





SO... IT'S LATE, BUT WE CAN TALK IF YOU-

I THINK I'M READY TO SLEEP. IT'S BEEN A LONG DAY ON THAT PLANE.

ARE YOU SURE? IT'S YOUR... LAST NIGHT...

YEAH, I'M GOOD.

OKAY. I'LL BE RIGHT HERE, AND GLORY'S ALREADY IN THE BACK.

YOU NEED ANYTHING JUST-



I'M  
OKAY,  
ADAM.

I'LL FALL  
ASLEEP AS  
SOON AS MY  
HEAD HITS THE  
PILLOW.

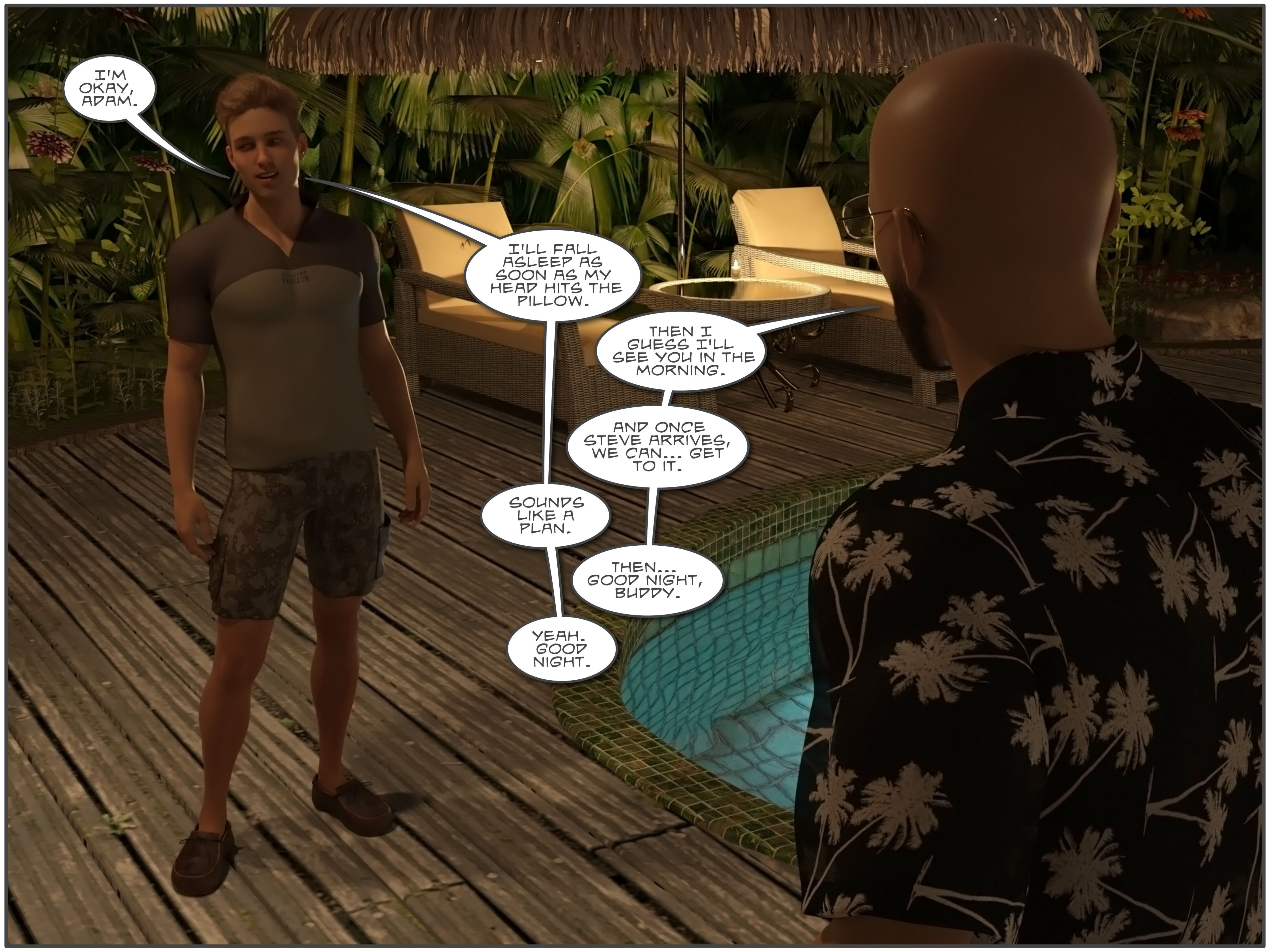
THEN I  
GUESS I'LL  
SEE YOU IN THE  
MORNING.

AND ONCE  
STEVE ARRIVES,  
WE CAN... GET  
TO IT.

SOUNDS  
LIKE A  
PLAN.

THEN...  
GOOD NIGHT,  
BUDDY.

YEAH.  
GOOD  
NIGHT.





GEEZ...

THIS PLACE IS  
FANTASTIC.

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE THIS IS  
MY ROOM FOR  
THE NEXT-

TYLER?

HUH?



WHAT  
THE...!?


W-WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING  
HERE?

I WANTED  
TO MAKE  
SURE YOU GOT  
SETTLED IN  
OKAY.

B-BUT  
YOU'RE...  
WEARING...

Dilusvee



A woman with long, wavy brown hair and glowing blue eyes stands in a red, long-sleeved, open-front robe. She is positioned on a wooden deck next to a swimming pool, with light-colored curtains behind her. The scene is presented as a comic book page, with several speech bubbles containing dialogue. The woman's expression is thoughtful, with her hand near her chin.

IT'S YOUR  
LAST NIGHT  
AS A MAN,  
TYLER.

AND I... I'M  
SORRY, BUT I GOT  
THE IMPRESSION THAT  
YOU NEVER... YOU  
KNOW.

I-I  
CERTAINLY  
DON'T  
KNOW.

IT'S NOTHING  
TO BE ASHAMED  
OF, AND IT FEELS  
WRONG TO LOSE  
YOUR MANHOOD  
WITHOUT...

LOSING YOUR...  
VIRGINITY.

W-WHO  
TOLD YOU I  
WAS A  
VIRGIN?  
ADAM?

TO BE CONTINUED...