

HOURS LATER...

THAT... WAS EXACTLY WHAT I NEEDED, STEVEN.

I CAN'T BELIEVE... HOW MANY TIMES WE... FUCK.  
\*GIGGLE\*

WHAT A DAY.

YEAH, IT WAS INCREDIBLE, BUT...



...I CAN'T  
REALLY GET  
GOOD SLEEP  
WHEN SHARING  
A BED.

SO  
COULD  
YOU...

OH. YOU  
WANT ME TO...  
LEAVE?

YOUR  
BUNGALOW IS  
JUST RIGHT  
THERE, SO...

YEAH.

INTIMATES

I CAN  
TOTALLY GO  
BACK TO MY OWN  
ROOM.

THAT'S NOT A  
PROBLEM.

AND, HEY, I  
HAD A REALLY  
FUN TIME  
TONIGHT.

WE  
SHOULD  
DO THIS  
AGAIN.

YEAH,  
FOR  
SURE.



SO... I GUESS  
I'LL SEE YOU  
TOMORROW.

YEAH. YOU  
KNOW WHERE TO  
FIND ME.


UH-HUH.

THEN,  
GOOD  
NIGHT?

YEAH,  
YOU TOO.

Day Five

I TOLD  
YOU THIS  
WOULD  
HAPPEN,  
JULES.

A woman with short black hair and bangs, wearing a purple bikini, is sitting on the edge of a swimming pool. The pool has green mosaic tiles. In the background, there is a wooden building with a thatched roof and a garden with pink and yellow flowers. Four speech bubbles are overlaid on the image, containing text.

IT'S NOT  
LIKE I'M  
SURPRISED OR  
UPSET ABOUT  
IT.

I JUST  
THOUGHT-

YOU  
THOUGHT YOU  
WERE **MAKING  
LOVE**, BUT THAT'S  
NOT WHAT  
HAPPENED.

YOU **FUCKED**.  
THAT'S ALL HE'S  
INTERESTED IN.



DON'T GET ME WRONG, IT SOUNDED LIKE THE SEX WAS **INCREDIBLE**, BUT THAT'S ALL IT WAS. **SEX**.

GOD, I FORGET HOW CLOSE WE ALL ARE HERE.

YEAH, NO HIDING THOSE **MOANS** OF YOURS. **\*GIGGLE\***

OH, GOD.

GIVE ME A BREAK. YOU'RE NOT EMBARRASSED ABOUT THAT ANYMORE.

WHAT MAKES YOU SAY THAT?



THAT TOP  
PAIRED WITH  
YOUR NEW...  
**HEFT UP TOP.**  
THAT'S HOW I  
KNOW.  
**\*GIGGLE\***



A woman with dark hair and bangs, wearing a purple bikini with a floral pattern, stands on a wooden deck by a swimming pool. She is looking down and to the right with a slight smile. The background features lush tropical foliage, including palm trees and ferns, under a clear blue sky. A thatched umbrella and wicker chairs are visible behind her. Six comic-style speech bubbles are overlaid on the right side of the image, containing text about her body changes.

IT'S A  
PRETTY  
**DRASTIC**  
CHANGE,  
RIGHT?

AND  
LOOK AT  
THAT SMILE!  
YOU LOVE  
THEM!  
\*GIGGLE\*

I DO.  
WHEN THIS  
ALL STARTED, I  
HOPE I'D HAVE  
SMALLER  
BREASTS,  
BUT...

I'M  
REALLY HAPPY  
WITH THIS  
SIZE.

I'D  
IMAGINE  
THEY'LL GET A  
TAD BIGGER,  
BUT NOT BY  
MUCH.

SPEAKING OF  
CHANGES...



IS MY HAIR  
ALWAYS GOING  
TO LOOK LIKE  
*THIS?*

I THOUGHT IT  
WOULD BE-

*HA!* I  
KNEW IT!  
*\*GIGGLE\**



WHAT?  
WHAT'S SO  
FUNNY?

WHEN I  
SAW YOU  
COME OUT  
IN THAT **BIKINI**, I  
KNEW YOU'D ASK  
ABOUT YOUR  
**HAIR**.

WHY?

BECAUSE  
YOU'RE FINALLY  
EMBRACING YOUR  
**FEMALE** BODY.

YOU WANT TO  
LOOK **ATTRACTIVE**,  
WHICH MEANS YOU  
WANT YOUR HAIR TO  
LOOK **BETTER**.

WOW,  
YOU...

NAILED IT,  
RIGHT?



WHEN I LOOKED IN THE MIRROR THIS MORNING, IT WAS LIKE SEEING MYSELF FOR THE FIRST TIME.

I WASN'T SCARED OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING OR THOUGHT I LOOKED WEIRD... I LIKED WHAT I SAW.

I GET IT. YOU'RE ALMOST DONE TRANSITIONING.

AND YOUR HAIR IS THE LAST THING THAT WILL CHANGE. IT'LL BE PRETTY DRASTIC.

HOW MANY MORE DAYS?

I'D PUT MONEY ON TOMORROW.



ADAM!

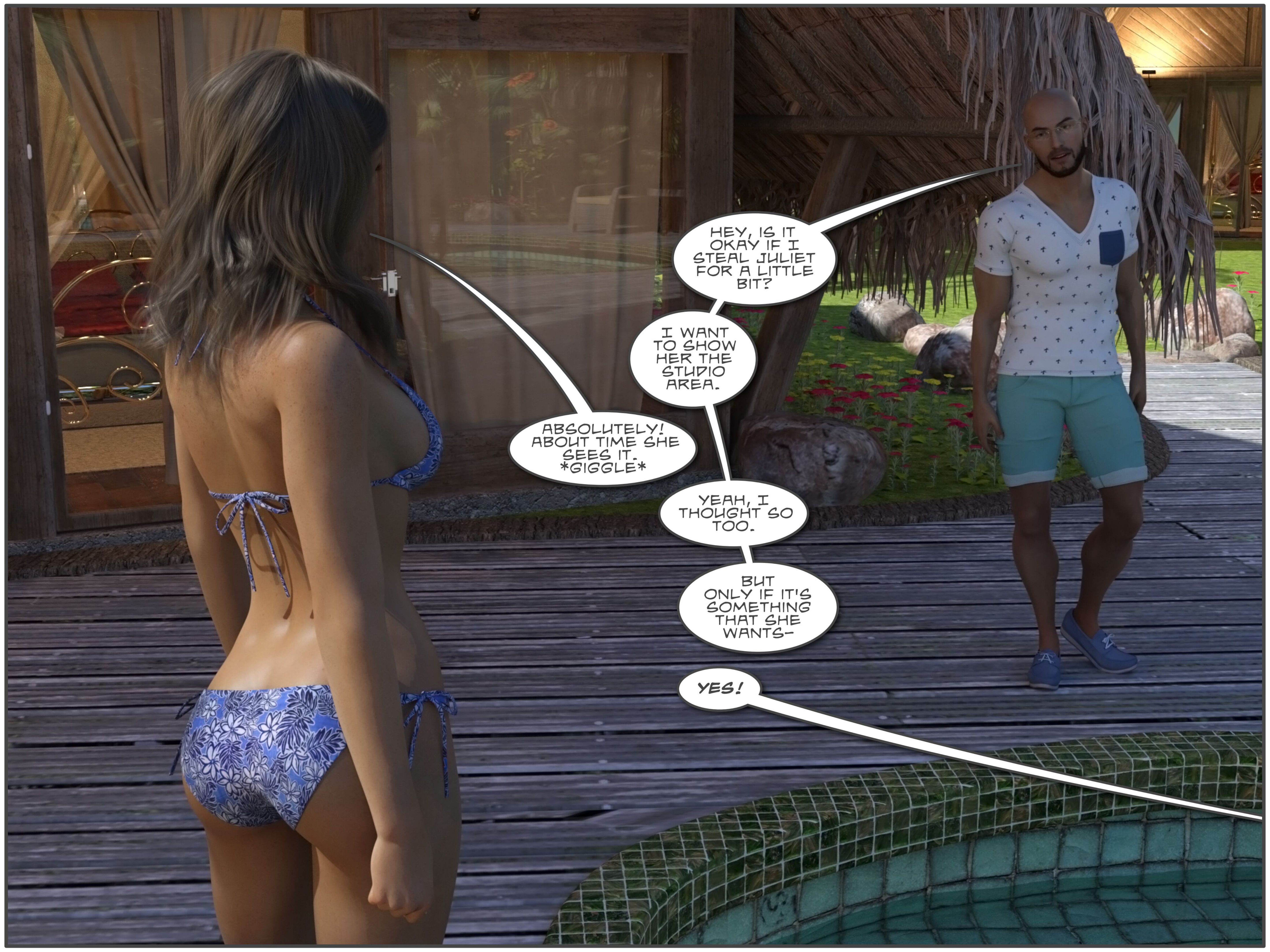
I DIDN'T  
SEE YOU  
THERE.

SORRY. I  
DIDN'T MEAN TO  
STARTLE YOU.

I'M OKAY, AND  
YOU REALLY THINK  
I'LL BE DONE  
TOMORROW?

I DO.

AND I  
TOTALLY  
AGREE.

A woman with long, wavy brown hair, wearing a blue and white floral bikini, stands on a wooden deck, looking towards a man. The man is bald with a beard, wearing a white short-sleeved shirt with a small black pattern and teal shorts. They are in a tropical setting with a thatched roof building and a swimming pool in the background.

HEY, IS IT  
OKAY IF I  
STEAL JULIET  
FOR A LITTLE  
BIT?

I WANT  
TO SHOW  
HER THE  
STUDIO  
AREA.

ABSOLUTELY!  
ABOUT TIME SHE  
SEES IT.  
\*GIGGLE\*

YEAH, I  
THOUGHT SO  
TOO.

BUT  
ONLY IF IT'S  
SOMETHING  
THAT SHE  
WANTS-

YES!



I MEAN, I'D LIKE TO SEE IT.

GREAT. DO YOU HAVE TIME NOW?

I HAVE ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD.

THEN... LET'S GO.

SURE.

YOU TWO HAVE FUN. \*GIGGLE\*



WHOA.

YEAH, IT CAN BE A BIT OVERWHELMING.

I CAME AND TURNED ON EVERYTHING EARLIER SO YOU COULD GET A REAL TASTE OF WHAT THIS IS.

THIS IS... A LOT.

IT IS...





...BUT I DIDN'T BRING YOU HERE TO SHOW YOU ALL THIS.

OH?

I'M SORRY FOR BEING SUCH AN ASS YESTERDAY, JULIET.

I WAS OUT OF LINE, AND YOU'RE RIGHT... I NEED TO BE MORE SUPPORTIVE OF YOU.

I APPRECIATE THAT, BUT I WAS BEING A LITTLE NEEDY-

NO. YOU  
DON'T NEED TO  
APOLOGIZE FOR  
ANYTHING.

YOU'RE THE ONE  
WHO'S HAD THEIR  
ENTIRE LIFE FLIPPED  
UPSIDE DOWN, NOT  
ME.

I WAS SO  
FOCUSED ON HOW  
THIS CHANGE AFFECTED  
ME, BUT I'M DONE  
WITH THAT.

I'LL  
SUPPORT YOU  
HOWEVER YOU  
NEED ME TO,  
JULIET.

WELL, FOR  
STARTERS...

...YOU CAN CALL ME **JULES**.



I DO. I REALLY DO, BUT **JULES** IS A FUN NICKNAME PEOPLE CLOSE TO ME USE.

I THOUGHT YOU LIKED **JULIET**?


**JULES**. YEAH, I CAN DO THAT.

OTHER THAN THAT, JUST BE **HONEST** WITH ME.

LIKE, POINTING OUT HOW YOU'RE ALREADY ACTING LIKE A **MOPEL**?

WHAT?





YOU'VE BEEN UP ON THE BALLS OF YOUR FEET MORE THAN YOU PROBABLY REALIZE.

AND HOW IS THAT-

YOU KNOW *WHY* WOMEN WEAR HEELS, DON'T YOU? IT'S NOT JUST FOR THE STYLE OR CONFIDENCE.

IT'S A LITTLE REDUCTIVE, BUT THEY LIFT THE BUTT AND MAKE YOU WALK, WELL, MORE *FEMININE*.



SO YOU'RE SAYING MY BUTT LOOKS BETTER WHEN I'M ON MY TIPPY TOES?

UM... YES.

THEN YOU'RE **ADMITTING** MY BUTT LOOKS GOOD?

**ADAM?**

YEAH. YOU HAVE A NICE... BACKSIDE.

MAYBE YOU WANT TO TAKE SOME PICTURES OF THIS *BACKSIDE*?

I CAN'T.

WHAT HAPPENED TO I'LL SUPPORT YOU HOWEVER YOU NEED?

NO, I MEAN, I *LITERALLY* CAN'T.

DIADEM DOESN'T ALLOW PHOTOS MID-CHANGE.

AS SOON AS STEVEN SIGNS OFF THAT IT'S DONE... I'LL DO IT.



REALLY? YOU'LL DO A PHOTOSHOOT WITH ME? IT WON'T MAKE YOU UNCOMFORTABLE.

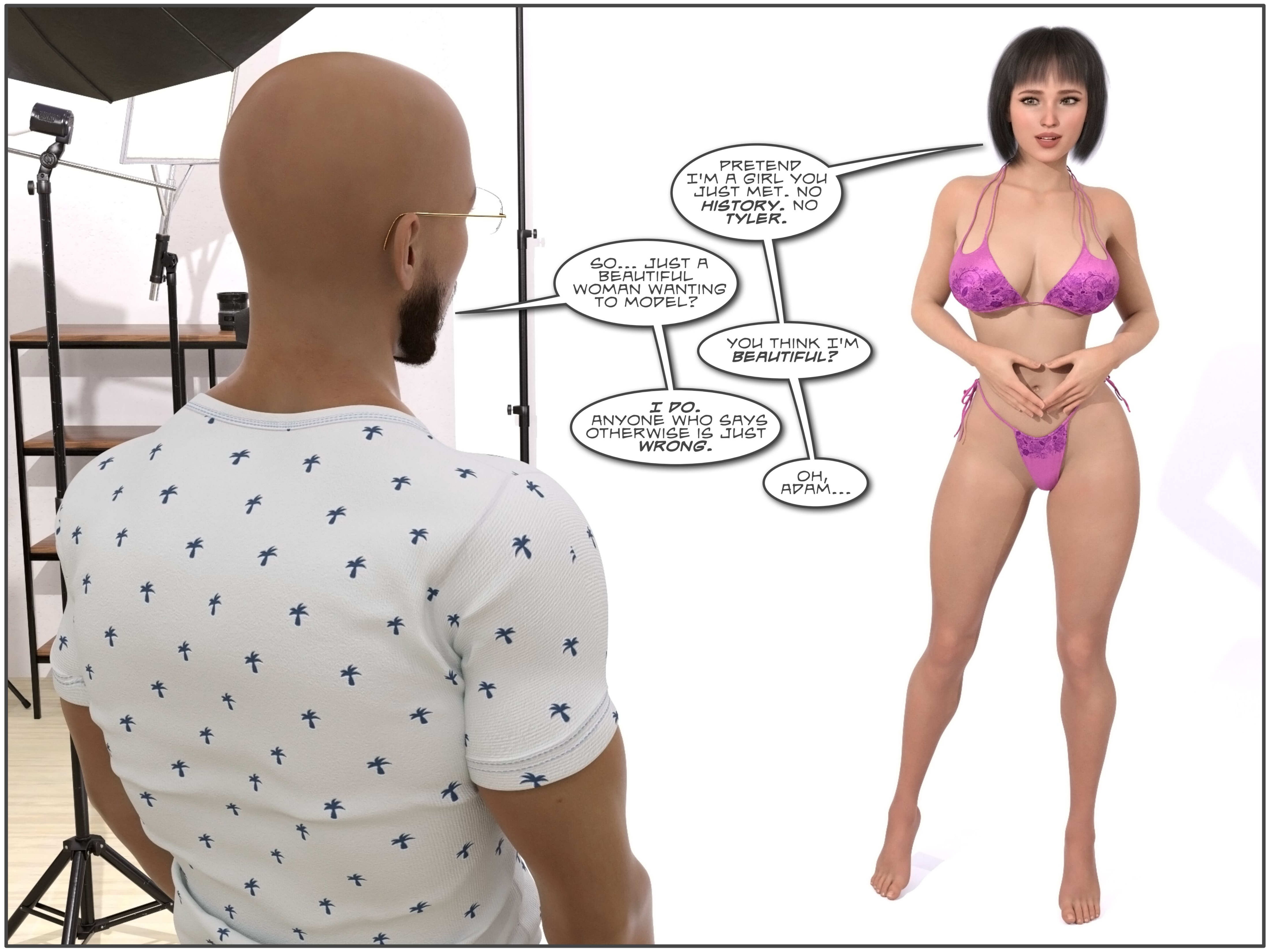
IT WILL, BUT I'LL ADAPT. I WANT TO SEE YOU AS THE WOMAN YOU ARE NOW.

WELL, WE DON'T NEED A CAMERA FOR THAT.

WHAT?

LET'S JUST... PRETEND.

PRETEND?



SO... JUST A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN WANTING TO MODEL?

I DO. ANYONE WHO SAYS OTHERWISE IS JUST WRONG.

OH, ADAM...

YOU THINK I'M BEAUTIFUL?

PRETEND I'M A GIRL YOU JUST MET. NO HISTORY. NO TYLER.



WHOA,  
WHOA,  
WHOA! WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING!?

YOU SAID  
YOU WANT TO  
SEE ME AS THE  
WOMAN I AM  
NOW.

I DO! I  
CAN SEE YOU  
AS A WOMAN  
WITH YOUR TOP  
ON!

BUT I  
NEED YOU  
TO SEE ALL  
OF ME,  
ADAM.

I... I  
WANT YOU  
TO SEE ALL  
OF ME.

JULES...



TO BE CONTINUED...