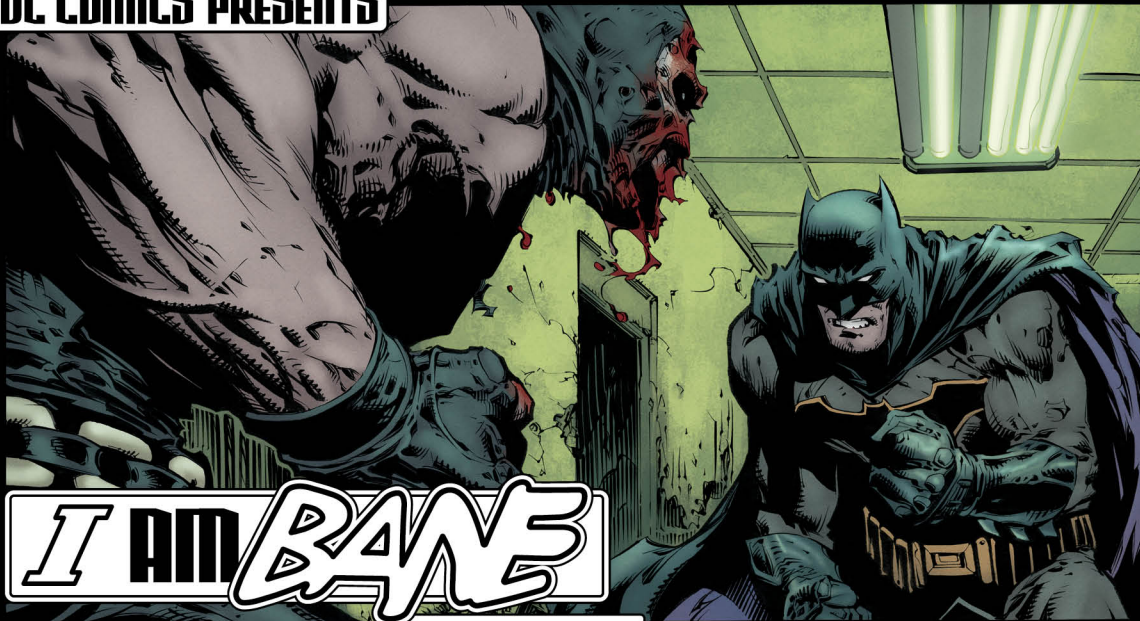


DC COMICS PRESENTS



I AM BANE

PART FIVE



TOM KING-SCRIPT • *DAVID FINCH*-PENCILS
DANNY MIKI & *TREVOR SCOTT*-INKS
JORDIE BELLAIRE-COLORS • *DERON BENNETT*-LETTERS
FINCH, MIKI & *BELLAIRE*-COVER
TIM SALE & *BRENNAN WAGNER*-VARIANT COVER

DAY FIVE

REBECCA TAYLOR-ASSOCIATE EDITOR
MARK DOYLE-EDITOR
BATMAN CREATED BY *BOB KANE*
WITH *BILL FINGER*
BANE CREATED BY *CHUCK DIXON*,
DOUG MOENCH & *GRAHAM NOLAN*



THIS IS THE END, BATMAN.

IT WAS THE PLANE.

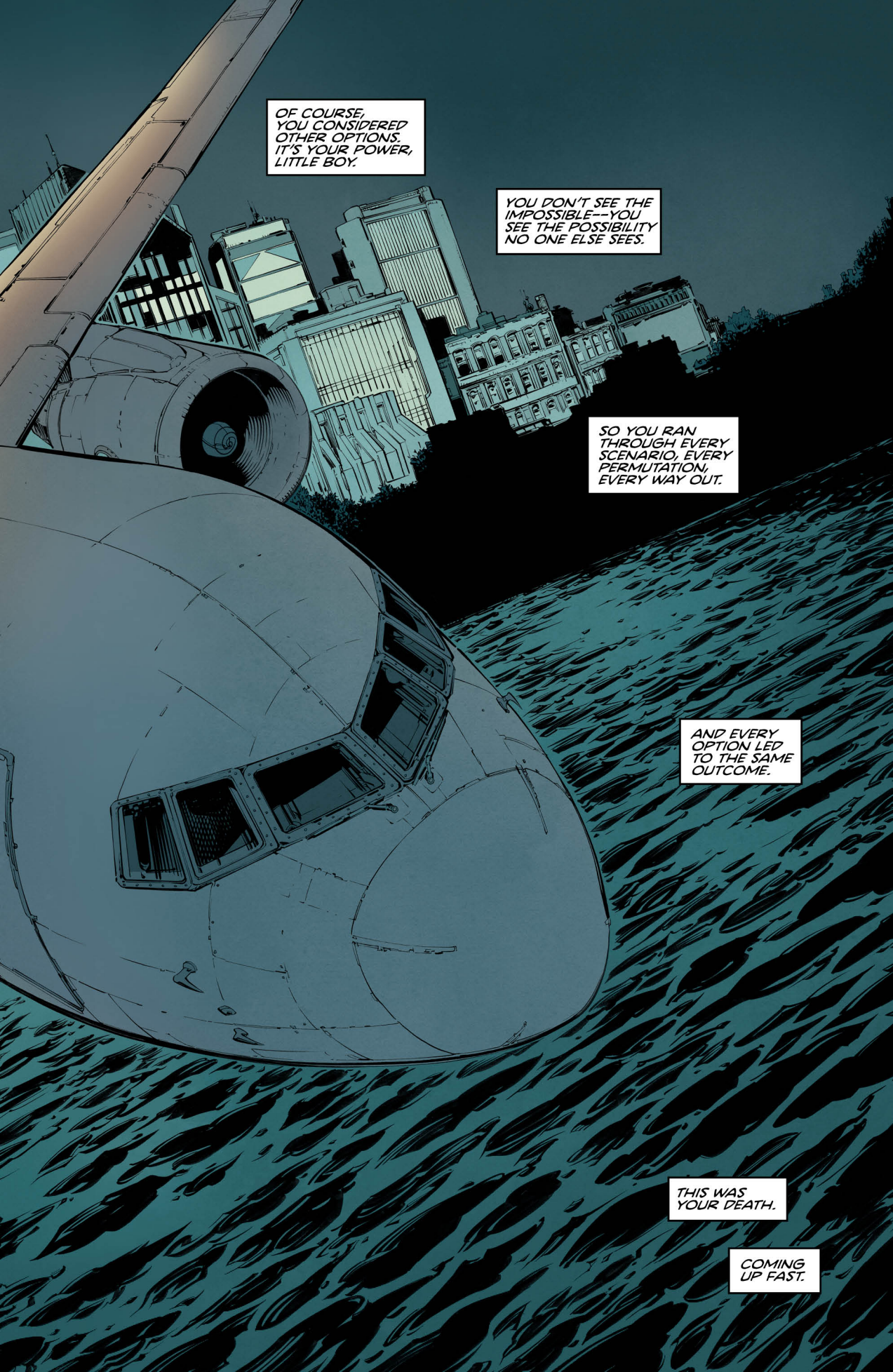


TO **SAVE** THE
PLANE, YOU NEEDED
TO **DICTATE** THE
ANGLE OF ENTRY.

TO **DICTATE** THE
ANGLE OF ENTRY,
YOU NEEDED TO BE
ON THE PLANE.

AND TO BE **ON**
THE PLANE AS IT HIT
GOTHAM HARBOR...

THAT WAS YOUR
DEATH. COMING
UP FAST.



OF COURSE,
YOU CONSIDERED
OTHER OPTIONS.
IT'S YOUR POWER,
LITTLE BOY.

YOU DON'T SEE THE
IMPOSSIBLE--YOU
SEE THE POSSIBILITY
NO ONE ELSE SEES.

SO YOU RAN
THROUGH EVERY
SCENARIO, EVERY
PERMUTATION,
EVERY WAY OUT.

AND EVERY
OPTION LED
TO THE SAME
OUTCOME.

THIS WAS
YOUR DEATH.

COMING
UP FAST.



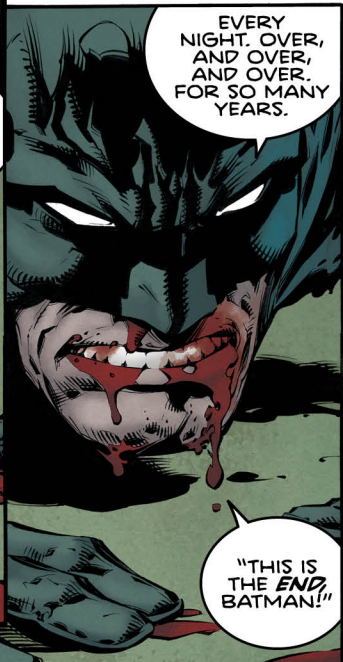
YOU KNOW HOW MANY TIMES I'VE HEARD THAT?



"REST IN PEACE, BATMAN!"

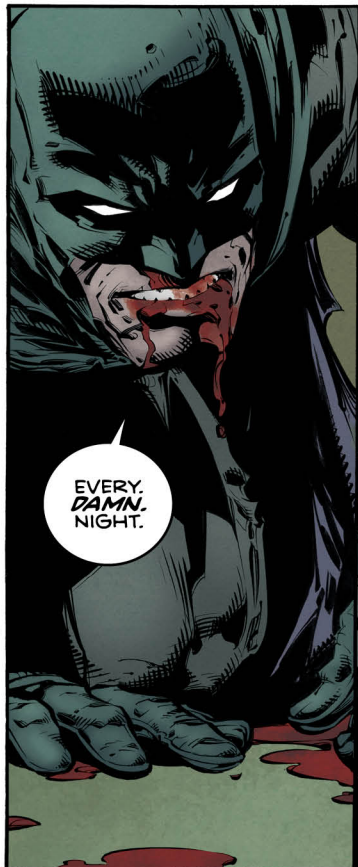
"THERE'S NO ESCAPE, BATMAN!"

"TIME TO DIE, BATMAN!"



EVERY NIGHT, OVER, AND OVER, AND OVER, FOR SO MANY YEARS.

"THIS IS THE END, BATMAN!"



EVERY. DAMN. NIGHT.



AND YET...



I'M STILL HERE.



I'M GOING TO KILL YOU.

EVERY DAMN NIGHT.

AAAAA!

BUT YOU DIDN'T DIE.

DID YOU?