



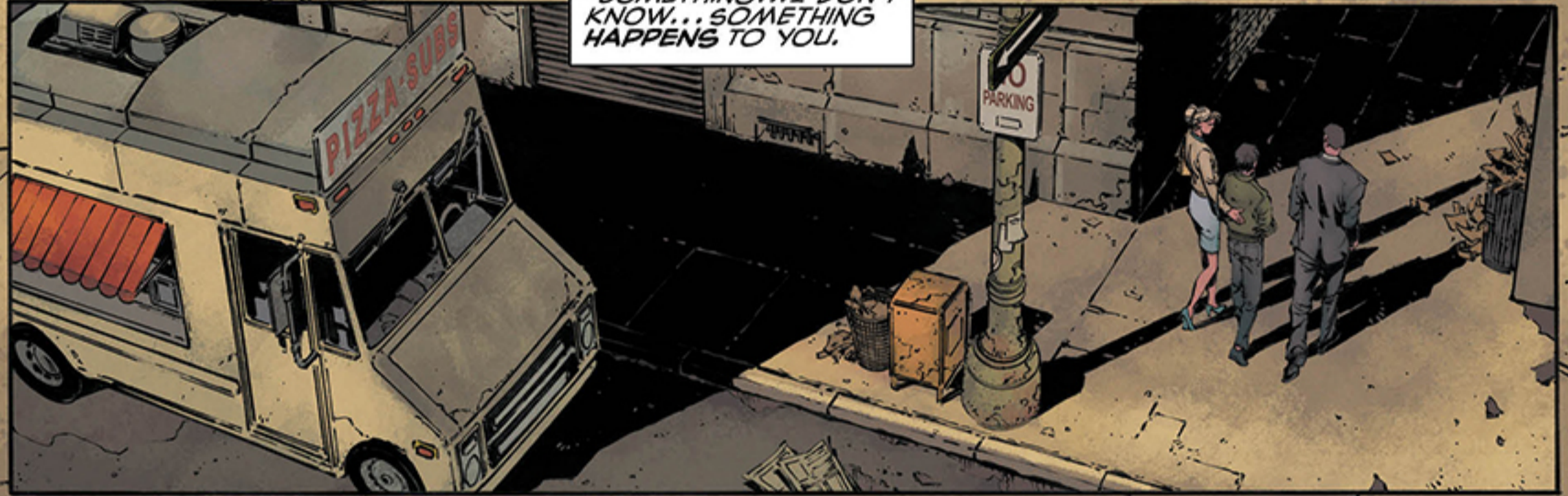
GOTHAM CITY.
PARK ROW.

THEN.

"WHEN YOU GROW UP
HERE IN GOTHAM...

"I MEAN, WHEN
YOU'RE REALLY
RAISED IN THE
PISS AND SMOKE
OF IT..."

"SOMETHING... I DON'T
KNOW... SOMETHING
HAPPENS TO YOU.

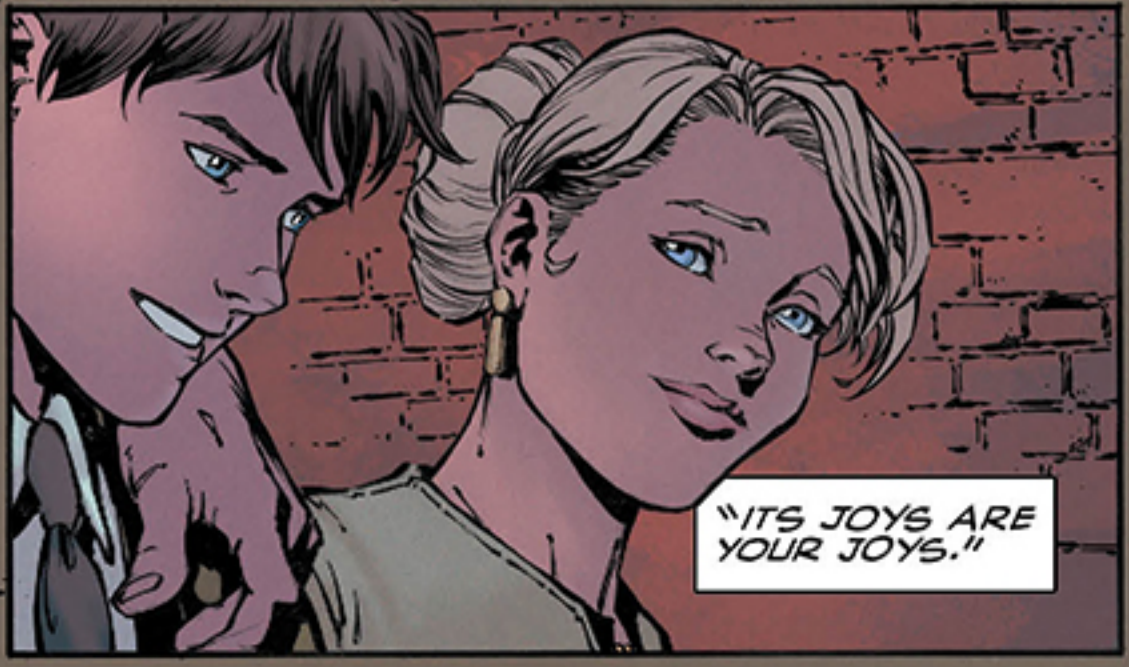
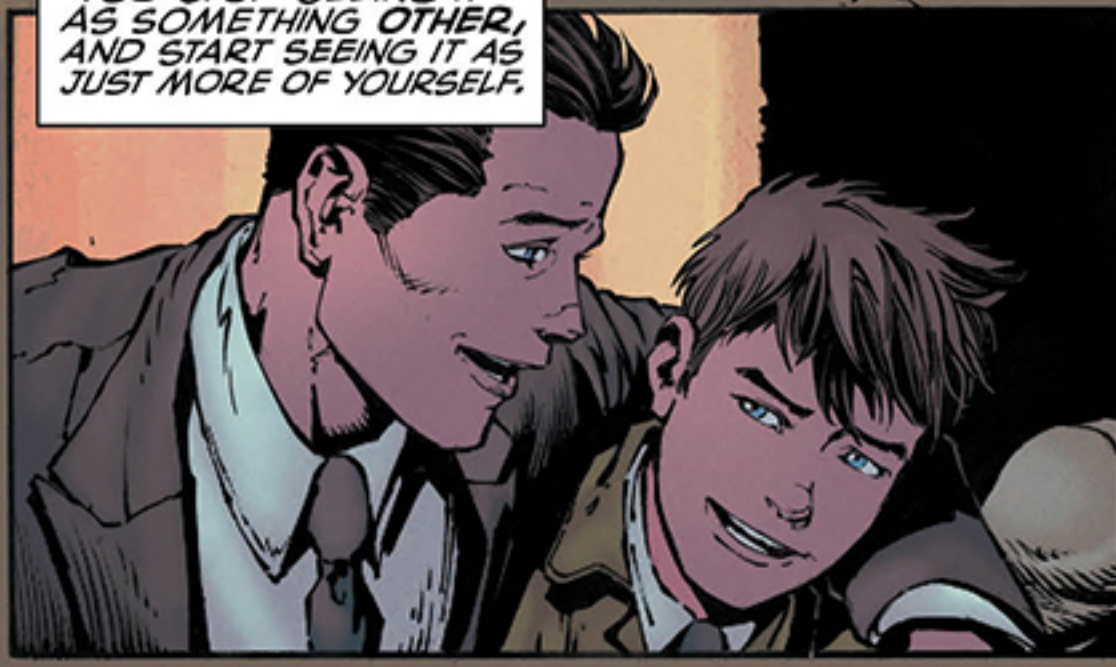


"IT'S NOT THAT YOU
GET TO LIKE IT.

"LIKE, PISS IS
STILL PISS.
SMOKE IS
STILL SMOKE.

"IT'S MORE LIKE
YOU SORT OF
BECOME IT.

"YOU STOP SEEING IT
AS SOMETHING OTHER,
AND START SEEING IT AS
JUST MORE OF YOURSELF.



"ITS JOYS ARE
YOUR JOYS."



"ITS MISERIES ARE YOUR MISERIES."



"IT'S RISEN. IT'S FALLEN. JUST LIKE YOU HAVE."

"IT'S BEEN SPOILED. IT'S BEEN ABUSED. JUST LIKE YOU HAVE."



"AND BECAUSE OF THAT, IT'S BENT JUST LIKE YOU'RE BENT."



"AND YOU HAVE TO FORGIVE IT THE WAY YOU HAVE TO FORGIVE YOURSELF."



"SO THE PISS AND THE SMOKE, IT STILL GETS ME."



"I STILL FEEL LIKE RETCHING WHEN I GET A SMELL OF THE WORST OF IT."



"LIKE, I JUST NEED TO GET AWAY FROM IT, ANY WAY I CAN."



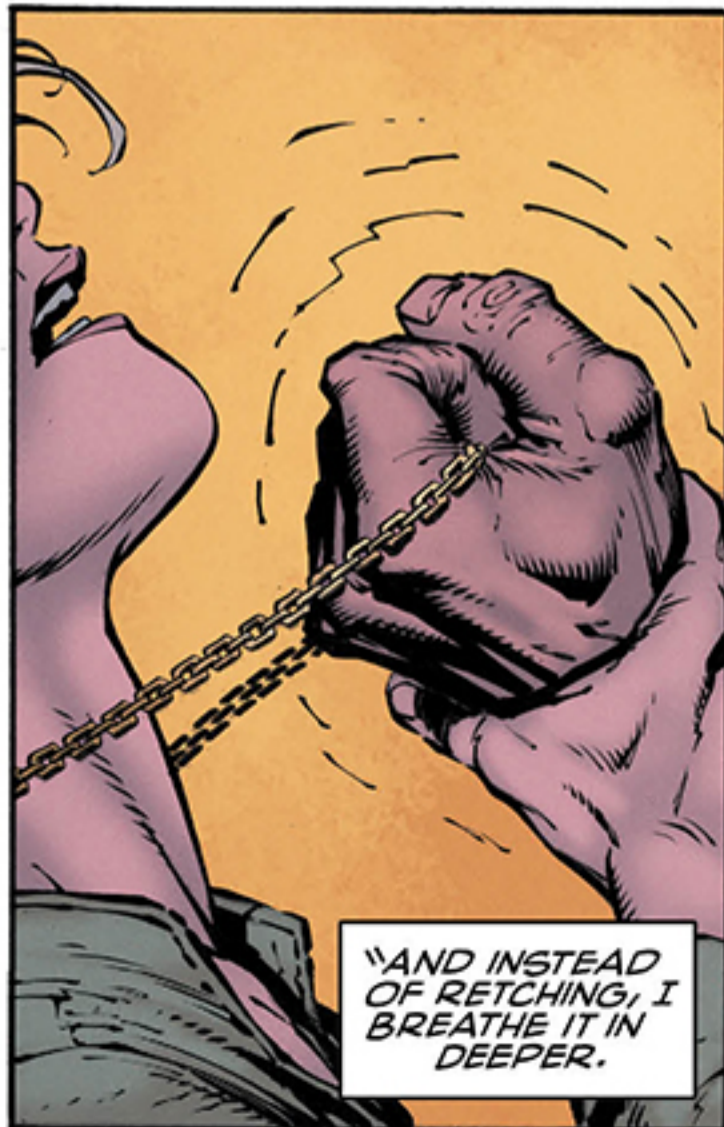
"BUT, BEING FROM HERE, I KNOW... SOMEHOW I KNOW WHERE THAT ALL COMES FROM."



"I UNDERSTAND ALL THAT'S IN ME, TOO."



"AND SOMEHOW, THAT--THAT MAKES IT BETTER."



"AND INSTEAD OF RETCHING, I BREATHE IT IN DEEPER."



"AND I SMILE."



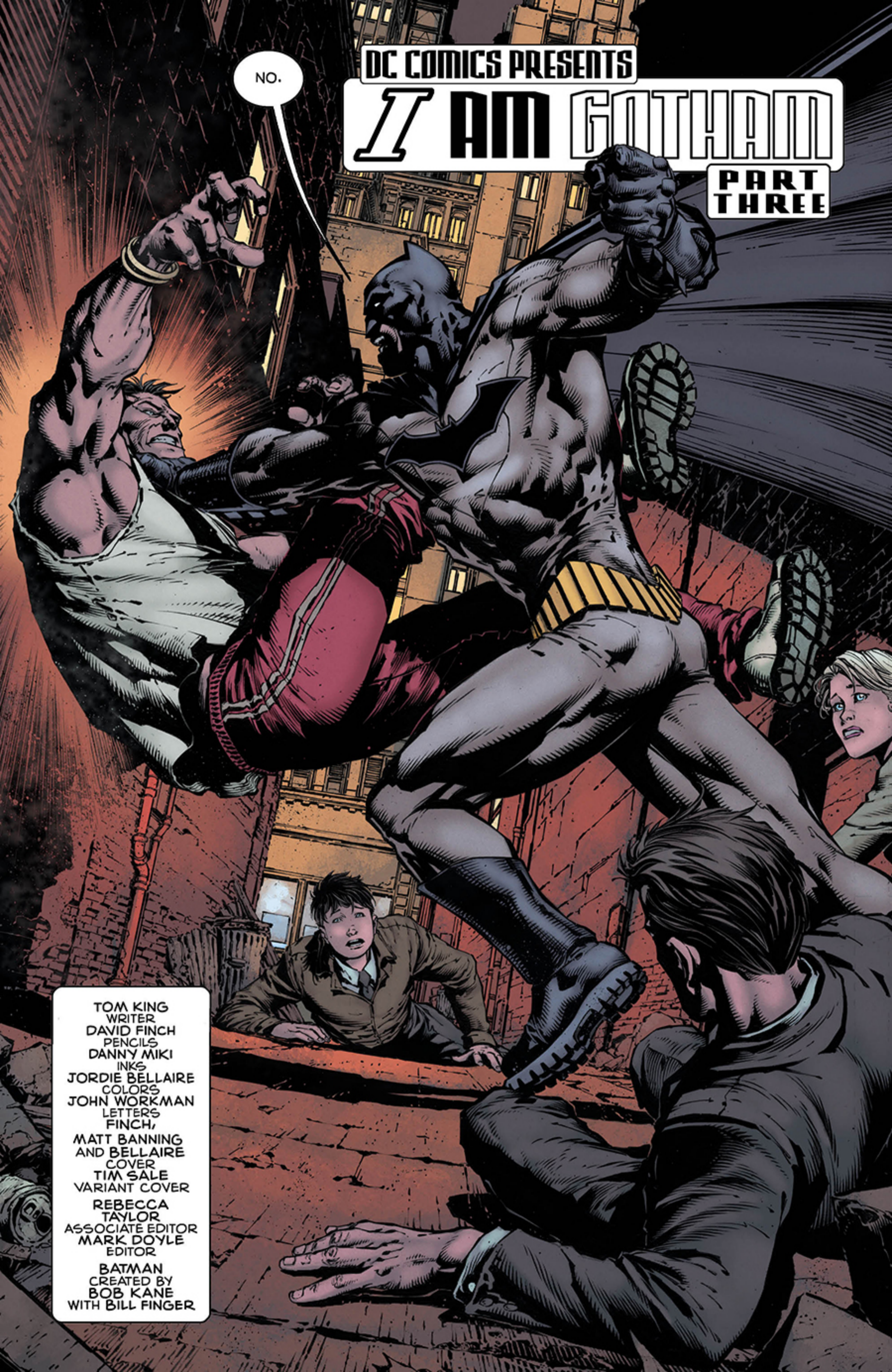
"AND I SHOUT IT. GOOD AND LOUD..."

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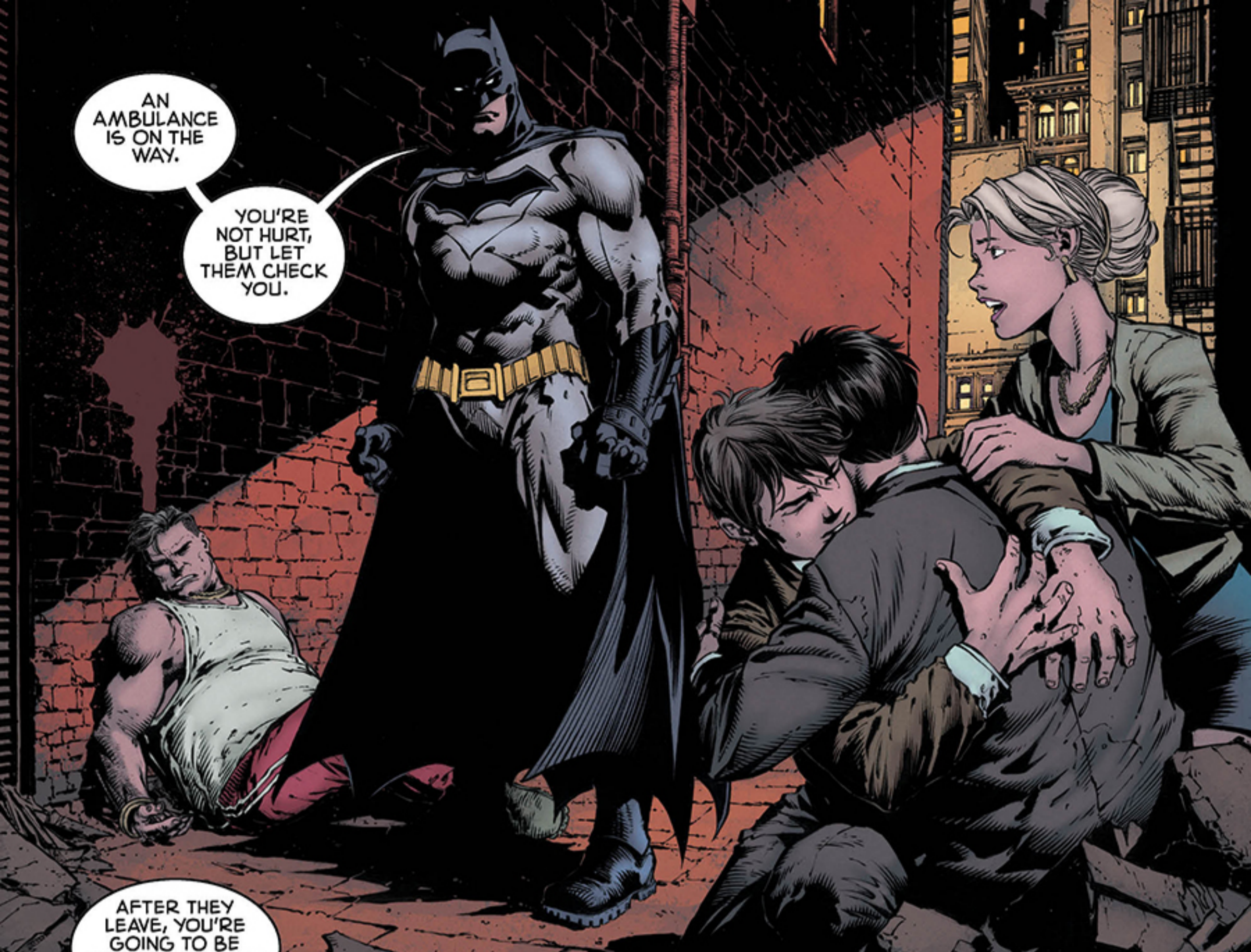
I AM GOTHAM

PART
THREE

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AN AMBULANCE IS ON THE WAY.

YOU'RE NOT HURT, BUT LET THEM CHECK YOU.



AFTER THEY LEAVE, YOU'RE GOING TO BE SCARED. SCARED FOR A WHILE.

AND THAT'S FINE. BE SCARED.



EVERYONE GETS SCARED.



BUT REMEMBER, ALL THAT MEANS IS EVERYONE GETS THE OPPORTUNITY TO FIGHT THAT FEAR.



EVERYONE GETS THE CHANCE TO BE BRAVE.