**The Dark Knight  
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**Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale):** Targeting me won't get their money back. I knew the mob wouldn't go down without a fight, but this is different. They crossed the line.  
**Alfred:** You crossed the line first, sir. You squeezed and hammered them to the point of desperation. And in their desperation they turned to a man they didn't fully understand.  
**Bruce Wayne:** Criminals aren't complicated, Alfred. We just need to figure out what he's after.  
**Alfred:** With respect, Master Wayne, perhaps this is a man that you don't fully understand either. A long time ago, I was in Burma. My friends and I were working for the local government. They were trying to buy the loyalty of tribal leaders by bribing them with precious stones. But their caravans were being raided in a forest north of Rangoon by a bandit. So we went looking for the stones. But in six months, we never met anyone who had traded with him. One day I saw a child playing with a ruby the size of a tangerine. The bandit had been throwing the stones away.  
**Bruce Wayne:** So why steal them?  
**Alfred:** Well, because he thought it was good sport. Because some men aren't looking for anything logical, like money. They can't be bought, bullied, reasoned or negotiated with. Some men just want to watch the world burn.