

DOWN AND OUT IN BEVERLY HILLS 1-1

JERRY

Who made this dressing?

DAVE

My mother.

JERRY

Too much onion.

DAVE

You could at least say thank you.

JERRY

For what?

DAVE

For the food.

JERRY

Thanks.

DAVE

For saving your life.

JERRY

Think my clothes are dry?

DAVE

You can keep the robe.

JERRY

You might ask me to thank you again.

DAVE

You're tough... How did you get to this moment, Jerry?
How did you get this... can I use the word... "low"? I
mean, you're obviously an intelligent guy.

D.A.O.I.B.H 1-2

JERRY

Well, I was in love and it ended. I took it pretty bad. I was teaching acting.

DAVE

Ah! Show business. They're all nuts.

JERRY

I had been pretty active politically in the sixties, then I started acting. I was in love with a girl in the class and she walked out on me and I cracked. The girl was beautiful... one in a million... she became very successful. You might know her.

DAVE

Who?

JERRY

Linda Evans.

DAVE

On TV? Dynasty?

JERRY

Got some more cranberry sauce? It was before Dynasty... between Big Valley and Dynasty... I just got low after we broke up and for about a year I was in bad shape... but that didn't do it really. I did drink a lot... used some drugs... then my sister... my younger sister, died from leukemia. That did it. We were real close... because we were orphaned so young. So I just lost my... incentive... I didn't care what happened to me, so I learned to survive on the street.

DAVE

I'm sorry.

D.A.O.I.B.H 1-4

DAVE

You from Brooklyn?

JERRY

Flatbush Avenue.

DAVE

I grew up around Ebbets Field. (pause) Did you ever try to get a job and go straight?

JERRY

Let's face it, Dave. I'm one of life's losers. I played the game and I lost. You get tired of playing a losing game.

DAVE

Nahhh. You just need a little bit of luck. I mean, look at me: one day I was selling cheap lingerie out of my piece of shit car and the next day, I'm opening up my own business. Luck and timing. Luck and timing.

JERRY

Got any dessert?

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JERRY

Well, time for me to hit the road.

DAVE

Where are you going?

JERRY

That's a personal question.

DAVE

Jerry, you sure you're alright?

JERRY

Yeah.

DAVE

You could stay here if you want for a couple of days... until you get straightened out... You could sleep in the cabana.

JERRY

Stay here? Got any low-cal Root Beer? I can't sleep on that bed.

DAVE

Too hard?

JERRY

Too soft. I'm used to the sidewalk.

DAVE

Well, do you think you might be able to rough it for a night or two?

JERRY

(beat) I'd be grateful. I haven't had a room to sleep in in three years... not since I left Brooklyn.