

JERRY

What do I do? How do I spin this?

AVERY

Oh honey. It's spun.

She keeps moving, adding an extra snap to the packets.

JERRY

What did I do to you?

She is furious with his question. Doesn't he know?

AVERY

It's all about you, isn't it?
Soothe me, save me, love me --

JERRY

Could you just stop moving?

AVERY

I have to finish my job --

JERRY

Everything's on the fucking run!
Everything --

She stops. Walks to him, framed by a bank of t.v. monitors.

AVERY

Jerry. You and I are salespeople.
We sell --

JERRY

Look, I don't want a --

AVERY

It's not "love me." It's not
"trust my handshake." It's make
the sale. Get it signed. There

shouldn't be "confusion" about that.

JERRY

Go ahead. Jump right on into my nightmare. The water's warm.

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AVERY

So honesty is outlawed here, I can't be honest?

She turns and exits again. He follows.

JERRY

Tell you what -- I'd prefer loyalty..

AVERY

What was our deal when we first got together? Brutal truth, remember?

JERRY

I think you added the "brutal."

She stops, slaps down another media packet. Blows a troublesome piece of hair out of her face.

AVERY

Jerry, there is a "sensitivity" thing that some people have. I don't have it. I don't cry at movies. I don't gush over babies. I don't start celebrating Christmas five months early, and I don't tell a man who just

screwed up both of our lives --
'oh, poor baby.' That's me. For
better or worse. But I do love
you.

Jerry looks at his fiancée. Standing here, watching Avery coldly clasping her media packs to her chest, she looks different to him.

JERRY

Avery --

She knows what's coming. She moves fast to avoid him.

AVERY

Don't say it. We're both ragged
out right now.

JERRY

-- stop --

She exits back into the main ballroom. For a moment, she stops. They face off. This is it. They are quickly interrupted by overweight, talk-show voiced CURTIS WEINTRAUB,
45.

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CURTIS WEINTRAUB

Hey! Curtis Weintraub from the
Sports Popper! Haven't seen you
two since the Cuervo Gold Rock 'n
Sock Charity Six Flags Budfest!
Hello!

Neither look at him, they remain fixed on each other. Curtis gets a whiff of what he walked into.