

Gin Rickey Sides

Jimmy/ Dr. Scheider

DR. SCHNEIDER

Good morning, James. How are you today?

JIMMY

Morning, Doc. Can't complain.

DR. SCHNEIDER

That's good to hear. Tell me about your week.

JIMMY

What do you wanna know?

DR. SCHNEIDER

Whatever you're willing to tell me.

JIMMY

Gotta say, Doc. It was a pretty boring week.

DR. SCHNEIDER

How so?

JIMMY

How so? It was average. Nothing to report.

DR. SCHNEIDER

Nothing?

JIMMY

What do you want to hear?

DR. SCHNEIDER

I want to hear what you did this weekend. Start there.

JIMMY

Well, it was Friday. Then the next two days went by, and now I'm here. Doc, really. There's nothing to tell.

DR. SCHNEIDER

Nothing? You just sat and waited for the weekend to pass and on Monday morning you finally stood up?

JIMMY

It's not like that, no.

DR. SCHNEIDER

Then what?

JIMMY

Just a mundane weekend. Nothing of note.

DR. SCHNEIDER

The mundane is ok. Most of our lives are mundane. That's not bad. It's not always boring either. Mundane can be a good thing. We establish routines in the mundane, and that says a lot about who we are. You know, there's this pool hall I play at on Sunday mornings. Same time, same people, same dollar twenty five buy in. But it's exciting! I shoot pretty well, and I usually win. You might call that a mundane routine.

JIMMY

And what does that routine say about you?

DR. SCHNEIDER

That I like to gamble and I don't go to church.

JIMMY

Mundane doesn't suite me.

DR. SCHNEIDER

Have you visited your park recently?

JIMMY

No. Well, yes I have. It was Friday.

DR. SCHNEIDER

Really?

JIMMY

Yeah. It was Friday and I was at the park and I was walking around and there was a bench so I sat.

Jimmy Monologue

JIMMY

I learned pretty quickly that in this job, you can't play by the rules. Those who do never win, and those who win never do. That's not to say I play dirty - no way, Jose. But if all that's standing between me and some crook is a locked door? Well, that fella's gonna need a new door. That's the kind of thing they don't teach you at the academy. And my new partner? Heh. Let me guess. Recent graduate. Top in her class. Daddy was a statie, mom fed him dinner at quarter to 6 every night. Skim milk. Meat and potatoes. Sit up straight. Did you say your prayers? I'll close the door. Sweet dreams. The televisions too loud dear, Laurence Welk is gonna wake her up! You know the type.

Mugger/Victim

MUGGER

Excuse me, do you have the time?

VICTIM

Why certainly, it's -

The victim checks their watch and the mugger grabs the victim. The mugger holds a knife to them.

MUGGER

All right here's how this is gonna play out. You're not gonna run, you're not gonna scream, you're not gonna make any noise. You're gonna reach back, grab your wallet and hand it over, capisce? NOW!

VICTIM

Please. Please don't hurt me. You can have it.

MUGGER

Come on, come on!

VICTIM

Here, take whatever you want. Just please don't hurt me.

MUGGER

Shut up!

The mugger takes the wallet then hits the victim, knocking them to the ground.

VICTIM

Please, just take it and leave!

MUGGER

This is all you got? Where's the cash?

VICTIM

It's all I have on me, I promise. That's all.

MUGGER

You got more at home? Well lookie here. 1424 Harrison Ave. Only a few blocks from here. Anyone home?

VICTIM

No, please don't -

MUGGER

IS ANYONE HOME? Tell me now.

VICTIM

No one's home. It's just me. No one's there.

MUGGER

Say, why don't I race you there? You take the bus and I'll go on foot. Good luck!

Protester Monologue

PROTESTER

Hey! Hey! Listen up! Hey over here! Gather round, come on. Hear me out.

(gathering themselves)

This is not justice. What we saw today was an abuse of power. Power that they think they have over us. But they don't, all right? The power they think they have comes from the people. People like you and you and you you you you you and me. Regular people. I am sad - devastated to hear the outcome of this trial. As we all are. But I am not discouraged. Despite what happened in there, this does not depress me. It fills me with hunger. Hunger for change. Hunger for revolution. We will not be discouraged. We will not be defeated. And while we are alive we will fight for change. Next weekend, June 26th, we meet right here. Keep your ear to the ground and let's change the world.

(leading a chant)

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Barkeep; Robber

BARKEEP

All right buddy, time to go.

ROBBER

I'm almost done here.

BARKEEP

Listen... we closed twenty minutes ago. I can't let you stay any longer.

ROBBER

I hear ya.

BARKEEP

Down the hatch. You're not driving, right?

ROBBER

Nope.

BARKEEP

Ok. Hey, seriously. Last chance. Throw it back. I gotta go.

ROBBER

Nah.

BARKEEP

Then you're done.

The Barkeep tries to take the glass, but the Robber stops them. A fight breaks out. The Barkeep is bested and the Robber takes cash from the drawer behind the bar.

ROBBER

Thanks for staying late.

The Barkeep engages once more. The robber reveals a gun. They fight but again, the robber wins.

ROBBER

Shame it had to come to this. You make a damn good Gin Rickey.

Solana/Bernard

SOLANA

You didn't tell me he was in that kind of condition.

BERNARD

I told you everything.

SOLANA

You weren't even close! Conspiracy theories about training videos? He missed the point completely.

BERNARD

He was close. So, so close.

SOLANA

He was way off! He rambled around like a freaking lunatic.

BERNARD

Because he thought he was on to something-

SOLANA

Because you pushed him too far! I had my pick of where I wanted to go. All these options. Some were shit. Some were great. And I put myself here. I chose to be here.

...Now's the part where you ask me why.

BERNARD

Why'd you chose-

SOLANA

Because of y ou. The great Chief Bernard. Because Chief Bernard looks good on a resume. Because Chief Bernard can get you places. Because Chief Bernard does what it takes to make "p rogress". Yeah, they often use that word when they mention Chief Bernard.

BERNARD

That was progress. You don't see that? How far he's come? We have to do what's necessary.

SOLANA

You think that was necessary?

BERNARD

It's what he needs.

SOLANA

Who are y ou to decide what he needs?

BERNARD

I'm the god damn Chief.

SOLANA

Enjoy it while it lasts.

Lina/Jimmy

LINA

Jimmy, baby!

JIMMY

Hi sugar.

LINA

Come here, you. Where you been?

JIMMY

Been working, dear. You know that.

LINA

Well I missed you either way.

JIMMY

Something smells good.

LINA

You need a drink?

JIMMY

No thanks.

LINA

Too late!

She pours two drinks. Jimmy zones out.

LINA

Where are you baby?

JIMMY

I don't know. Still on this trip I had earlier.

LINA

Oh! Anywhere exotic?

JIMMY

I swear I had it. These 3 scenes were connected and I just... I know they are, I just can't prove it. There's something about them that's so... familiar.

LINA

They're familiar because you've been around for so long. 14 years under your belt.

You're the best damn detective there is.

JIMMY

Think so?

LINA

Know so. They put you up with a rookie so she could learn from the best.

JIMMY

Yeah. Maybe there's no solving this one, though.

LINA

What are you talking about? You've solved every case you've ever been on!

JIMMY

Not yours.

LINA

No, not mine.

JIMMY

You still out there somewhere?

LINA

Somewhere.

JIMMY

And if I find you-

LINA

When you find me.

JIMMY

Will you tell me everything?

Bernard/Jimmy

BERNARD

Know what Jimbo? I can't believe what I've been hearing.

JIMMY

What's that Chief?

BERNARD

You. Out at bars. Getting into fights. Doc here's been telling me everything.

JIMMY

Didn't think you were allowed to do that. Thanks Doc.

BERNARD

Why lie? You wasted all that time playing grab-ass when you could have been proving to us you're better. You can give me the run around, you can give the rookie the run around, but why the hell would you give it to the doctor dedicated to helping you?

JIMMY

Chief, I don't know what you're talking about! I tell the doc everything!

BERNARD

Ah, bull shit! You're a disgrace! I should've never brought you back on.

JIMMY

Chief!

BERNARD

Your wife left you, Jimbo. Tough titty. It hap pens to the best of us. And you couldn't handle it! You wanted to find the guy that did it like this was some elaborate heist. Did you know that Solana? Jimmy here went out and found a guy to blame for his wife skipping town. He had his gun cocked and loaded. Ready to avenge his love! And then what happened?

BERNARD

I happened. I stopped your ass from making a mistake that could have put you on death row. I pleaded your case. Begged for intervention. Give you some time. Sort things out. Whatever chips I had, I cashed them in. Pulled every string, called in every favor. Cause I thought you could bounce back.

Jimmy's breath is quickening.

JIMMY

I can. I'm getting better.

BERNARD

You're a two bit cop. A failure. Give me your badge.

JIMMY

No. No no no please Chief!

BERNARD

Stand up like a man and give me your damn badge now!

JIMMY

I can't - I can't breathe.

BERNARD

You sure as hell better try!

JIMMY

Blood pressure. Chief please.

BERNARD

You're done in this city Jimbo! Done-zo!