SCENE 2

INT. BAR - NIGHT - 5 DAYS LATER
Jeannie and Wes. Wes finishing a story, Jeannie looking stressed.

WES

...It was pretty awesome watching the whole global sales division eating shit.

JEANNIE I bet.

She takes a long drink. Then him.

WES

Are you...is everything-

JEANNIE
We need to-

WES

We've been needing to talk...

JEANNIE

WES

I've been all fucked up over the-

JEANNIE

Yeah, the wedding...

WES

What are you saying, baby?

JEANNIE

Um. Fuck.

WES

Jeannie?

JEANNIE

WES

Uh huh. Join six billion others. What the fuck are you saying?

JEANNIE

That I've been insecure...and dishonest-

WES

Oh, Christ-

JEANNIE

And maybe you're gonna hear some things. About that.

She grabs her drink and focuses intently on it.

WES

Oh, that's...

JEANNIE

And...I'm not...ready. To get married. Or be engaged. Or live with you-

WES

Oh, hey!

JEANNIE

But I really...I...like being with you.

WES

Are you...seriously? You like being with me? Like a pet? Or a waterfall?

JEANNIE

I want to be with you. And just see where that takes us.

Wes looks at her for a terribly long time. Finally, he just reaches over, takes her hand and slides off the \$250,000 ring on her finger. He methodically folds his napkin, sets it on the table.

WES

So...that's really sweet, your struggle and all. But...while you've been struggling, and sleeping around, I've been regularly--like clockwork--fucking Amanda.

Jeannie inhales sharply, a body blow.

JEANNIE

Amanda, the consultant I met at the office? Your prep school buddy?

WES

Yeah, Amanda. Because, y'know Jeans, I figured-

JEANNIE

You had a hedge. Avoid exposure, be risk-averse.

WES

I had a hedge. But actually, Amanda's more than a hedge. She actually loves me, she loves my overly tidy office, she loves my banana-shaped cock... I mean, I've always pretty much known Amanda was the girl I was pretty sure I'd marry. You were more my B Plan. Like my parents would really ever sign off on a beauty pageant runnerup from Spokane? Gimme a break. You were more of an experiment in socioanthropology. My family owns a fuckin baseball team. For fun. So fuck you, and fuck your little existential problems.

He starts to go, but Jeannie puts a gentle hand on his.

JEANNIE

Don't sell yourself short. I was your A Plan. And I fucked up.

Wes is teary, doesn't want to show it.

WES

I'm gonna check into Palihouse for a couple nights. Get your shit out before I get back.

He walks away.