

EXT. MANSION -- POOL AREA/BAR -- NIGHT

JASPER KELLOGG -- 33, handsome, fills out a suit well -- stands at the bar watching the cocktail party. He sees SERENA crossing towards him, smiles at her as she approaches.

SERENA

Are you not having fun? Or are you a stand-on-the-sidelines kinda guy?

JASPER

Oh, I'm not at *all* a stand-on-the-sidelines guy. I run a private equity firm that specializes in--

SERENA

(finishing for him)
Alternative energy. I know. I Googled you.

JASPER

(surprised)
How'd you get a phone in here?

SERENA

I convinced some nineteen year-old PA from Kansas to let me use his.

JASPER

Impressive. Who else did you Google?

SERENA

Well, I didn't have a lot of time...

JASPER

But you started with me. Good choice.

He smiles, charming. A little laugh from Serena.

SERENA

So, where are you from, Jasper?

JASPER

Lotta places, actually. Born in Bahrain. Grew up in Texas. But I've been living in New York since college.

SERENA

Whereabouts?

JASPER

Do you know the city?

SERENA

Of course. It's one of my top three.

JASPER

(considers for a beat,
then--)

Rome?

SERENA

No. But very close. That's probably number four.

Jasper gives it a smidge more thought. Then--

JASPER

I'm gonna go out on a limb here and say Budapest.

SERENA

Wow. That's actually my number one.

JASPER

Right? Paris can kiss Budapest's ass, as far as I'm concerned.

SERENA

(laughs)

Yeah. All that shitty food and crappy art.

JASPER

Budapest has soul!

SERENA

I know. It's what Paris was 100 years ago, or so they say.

They share a smile, consider each other for a moment.

SERENA (CONT'D)

So what're you doing here? On this show?

JASPER

(shrugs)

Same thing as you.

SERENA

(a smile)

Looking for a husband?

A beat. He grows more serious. Then--

JASPER

I took myself to Zimbabwe last year. On an incredible tour. We went out for a swim at sunrise in this rainwater pool. It was stunning -- peach-colored light, the sound of Victoria Falls in the distance... All my senses were... overwhelmed with beauty. But then I looked around and realized, it was just me and a bunch of strangers on a tour.

(then)

I don't ever want to feel that alone again.

A beat as that lands for both of them. She's ready to marry him now.

SERENA

So what are we gonna do about that?

JASPER

(a naughty smile)

You're gonna give me the first one-on-one date.

SERENA

(another smile)

Then you better earn it.

On Jasper, watching Serena walk away...