UNFAITHFULLY YOURS

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Based on Malachi Chapter 2: 1-16. Charlie and Diana are married. Charlie is cheating on Diana. She is about to find out.

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Charlie Diana Charlie is on stage, on the phone talking to his mistress. С Tuesday was great. When we can meet again? I can't wait? When are you free this week? Thursday? I might be able to manage that.... [Enter Diana carrying Charlie's jacket. Charlie notices her and changes tone of his voice.1 Yes, thank you for your call. I'll be in touch. Goodbye. D Who was that Charlie? C Er, no-one. D Well it must have been someone. С It was a wrong number. D A wrong number.. that you promised to call back? С It was one of those PPI things. I said I'd be in touch just to end the call. You know how persistent they can be. D [Doubtfully] I see. С Is that my jacket? D Yes, I reckoned it needed dry-cleaning. It seems to have rather a lot of blonde hair on it. С Does it? D Yes, I don't think it is yours so I was wondering who it belonged to. Oh, it's probably Gerald's dog. He brought it into the office. C

- D I didn't know Gerald had a dog.
- C Oh, yes, he's just got one. A Labrador thing. Er .. a golden retriever. A long haired golden retriever.
- D I see. And does this long haired golden retriever make a habit of jumping on your shoulders.
- C Yes, he is a puppy you see. Not trained yet. And it took quite a shine to me for some reason.
- D Yes, that is most surprising given your hatred of all things canine. What is its name?
- C Er., Goldie I think.
- D What a surprise. [Pause] I was also checking through the pockets before I send it to the cleaners.
- C [Worried] Oh, were you.
- D Yes, and I found this. [Holds up a receipt] It is a receipt from the Hilton hotel for last Tuesday.
- C Probably from that conference I went to with work.
- D Yes, the conference in Birmingham.
- C That's right.
- D Which makes it rather surprising that this is from the Hilton Hotel in Bristol. And it is for a double room in the name of Mr and Mrs Smith. Paid for on your credit card.
- C Ah. Bristol must be a mistake, and I wanted a double room so I had plenty of space...
- D [Confronting] Charlie, are you seeing another woman? Tell me straight.
- C What, Diana, how can you think that? I have never been unfaithful to you. I promise.

THE END

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