



A Life- Changing Question

The Inspiring Story of Abigail
and Marcus

Imagine This Scenario...



Imagine you are sitting in a warm cafe when someone walks in. They look tired, and they ask for 'spare change'.

What would you do? How would you feel?



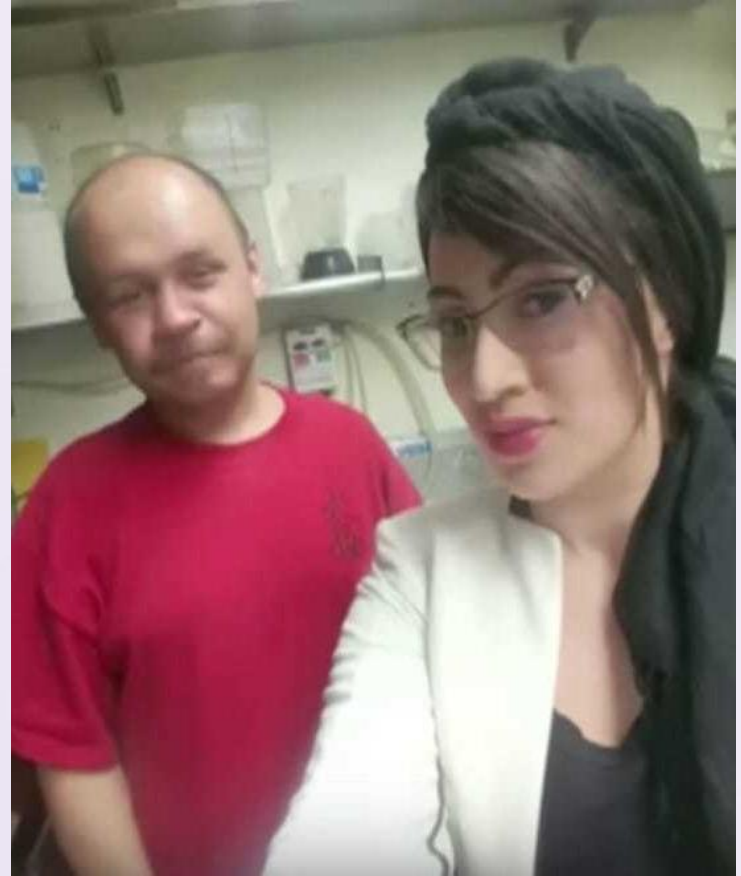
Example

Spare change means the small coins someone might have left over in their pocket.

Meet Abigail and Marcus

Abigail owned a cafe called 'The Abi's Cafe'. One day, a man named Marcus came in asking for money.

Instead of just saying yes or no, Abigail asked him a very big question: **'Why don't you have a job?'**



Was it rude to ask?



Abigail asked Marcus why he was jobless. Some might think that is rude. What do you think?

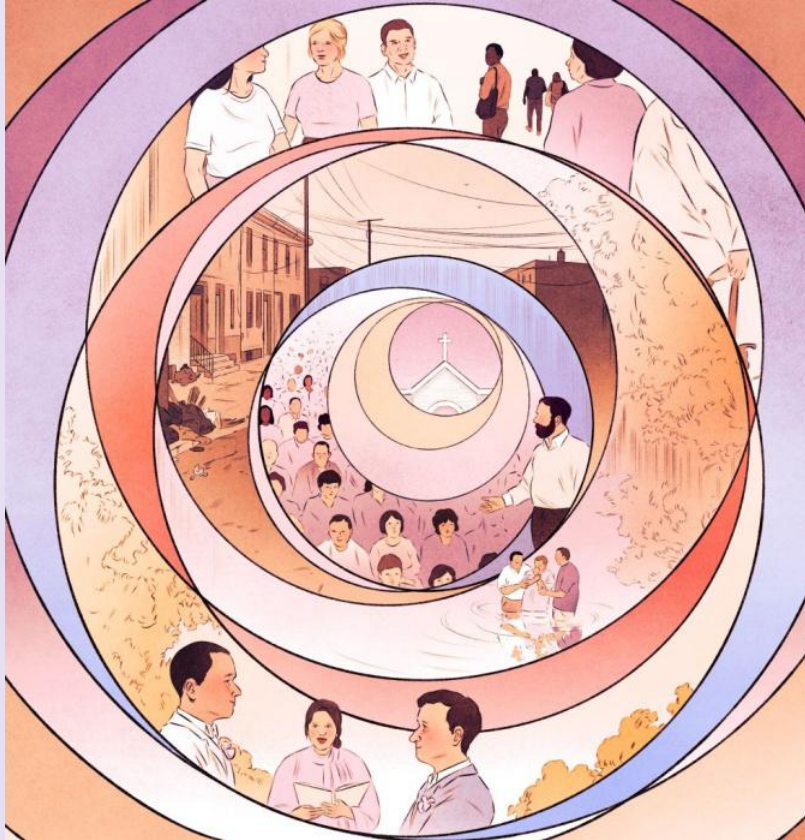
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You might have said...

It might depend on how she asked it.
She might have been trying to understand his story.
Maybe she wanted to help him find a way to earn money instead of just asking for it.

Marcus's Story



Marcus explained that he had been in prison, and now it was very difficult for him to find anyone who would hire him.

Abigail told him: **'Nothing is given to me for free. You want a job? I'll give you a job.'**

A Small Start

Abigail's business was struggling, so she offered Marcus work for two hours every day.



Step 1 - Marcus arrived early for his first shift.

Step 2 - Abigail gave him a sandwich before he started.

Sharing Half

When Marcus got his sandwich, he only ate half. He wrapped the other half up and put it in his pocket.

He told Abigail he was saving it for another person on the street who was also hungry.



Fun fact

Even when Marcus had very little, he still wanted to look after others.





Treating People Equally

Abigail believes that everyone should be treated with respect. She says she doesn't **judge** someone by how they look.

Some shops don't let homeless people use the toilet, but Abigail always says yes.

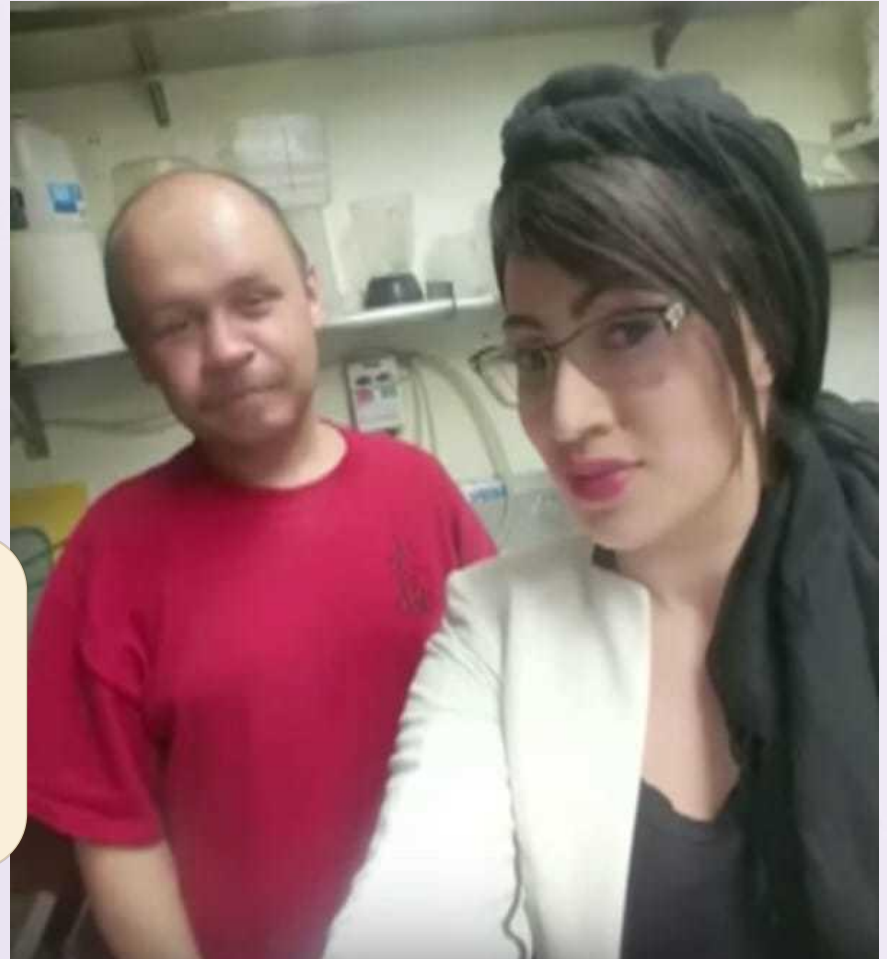
Success for Marcus

Marcus worked hard for two weeks. Because he was so reliable, Abigail offered him a **permanent job**. She even helped him learn how to save his money every week.



Key point

Abigail said: 'I want to help Marcus, but he also needs to want to help himself.'





Believing in Others

Abigail reminds us that she had help to get where she is today. People believed in her, so she chose to **believe in Marcus**.

In our school, we call this being part of a community where there are **'No Outsiders'**.

What Can We Learn?

Our Big Takeaway

This story shows us that a little bit of kindness and **believing in someone** can change their whole life.

We should always try to see the person, not just their situation.

