

**You have  
two choices**



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Jerry is the manager of a restaurant. He is always in a good mood.



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When someone would ask  
him how he was doing, he  
would always reply,



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"If I were any better, I  
would be twins!"



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Many of the waiters at his restaurant quit their jobs when he changed jobs,



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so they could follow him  
around from restaurant to  
restaurant



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# Why ?



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# Because

# Jerry was a natural motivator.



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If an employee was having a bad day,

Jerry was always there, telling the employee how to look on the positive side of the situation.



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Seeing this style really made me curious, so one day I went up to Jerry and asked him :



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"I don't get it! No one can be a positive person all of the time. How do you do it?"



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Jerry replied, "Each morning I wake up and say to myself, I have two choices today. I can choose to be in a good mood or I can choose to be in a bad mood."



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I always choose to be in a good mood.

Each time something bad happens, I can choose to be victim or I can choose to learn from it. I always choose to learn from it.



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Every time someone comes to me complaining, I can choose to accept their complaining or I can point out the positive side of life.

I always choose the positive side of life."



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"But it's not always that easy," I protested.



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"Yes it is," Jerry said.



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"Life is all about choices.  
When you cut away all the  
junk every situation is a  
choice.



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You choose how you react to situations.

You choose how people will affect your mood.

You choose to be in a good mood or bad mood.

It's your choice how you live your life."



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Several years later,  
I heard that Jerry  
accidentally did  
something you are never  
supposed to do in the  
restaurant business.



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He left the back door of his restaurant open



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In the morning,  
he was robbed by three  
armed men.



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While Jerry trying to open the safe box, his hand, shaking from nervousness, slipped off the combination.



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The robbers panicked and shot him.



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Luckily, Jerry was found quickly and rushed to the hospital.



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After 18 hours of surgery and weeks of intensive care,



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Jerry was released from the hospital with fragments of the bullets still in his body.....



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I saw Jerry about six months after the accident.



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When I asked him how he was,



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he replied, "If I were any better, I'd be twins. Want to see my scars?"



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I declined to see his wounds, but did ask him what had gone through his mind as the robbery took place.



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"The first thing that went through my mind was that I should have locked the back door," Jerry replied.



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"Then, after they shot me,  
as I lay on the floor, I  
remembered that I had two  
choices: I could choose to  
live or could choose to die. I  
chose to live."



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# "Weren't you scared"

## I asked?



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Jerry continued, "The paramedics were great. They kept telling me I was going to be fine."



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But when they wheeled me into the Emergency Room and I saw the expression on the faces of the doctors and nurses, I got really scared.



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In their eyes, I read 'He's a  
dead man.'



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I knew I needed to  
take action."



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"What did you do?" I asked.



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"Well, there was a big nurse shouting questions at me," said Jerry. "She asked if I was allergic to anything."



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'Yes,' I replied.



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The doctors and nurses  
stopped working as they  
waited for my reply.



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# I took a deep breath



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and yelled, 'Bullets! I  
am allergic to Bullets!'



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Over their laughter, I told them,  
'I am choosing to live. Please  
operate on me as if I am  
alive, not dead'.



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"Jerry lived thanks to the skill of his doctors, but also because of his amazing attitude.



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I learned from him  
that



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every day you have the  
choice to either enjoy your  
life or to hate it.



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The only thing that is truly yours -- that no one can control or take from you-



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is your attitude,



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so if you can take care of that,  
everything else in life  
becomes much easier.



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Now you have two  
choices to make:



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1. You can delete this message or

2. You can forward it to someone you care about.



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I hope you will choose #2.

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