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Chapter 431 Phantomflake Awakens

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'No. Not now. I can't leave just yet...' Abigail thought to herself when she felt her pounding heart and throbbing head. It was the same signs and symptoms that she was going to leave Abigail's body.

She never imagined receiving a love confession from Nathan today. Furthermore, they were facing a life-threatening situation because of a certain sniper.

Their parachute got hit and Nathan lost control of its movement. They were falling very fast! Nathan was now aware of the great danger they were facing.

Nathan tried to remain calm. There was no way they could land properly without getting hurt. He prepared himself to protect Abigail. He hugged her body to shield her. But sooner or later, both of them would hit the ground.

'Damn it!' Nathan cursed inwardly. For the second time around, he was afraid... afraid of losing someone. The only thing on his mind right now was how he would protect Abigail.

"Abi... don't be scared. I got you." Nathan whispered in her ears as he tightened his grip on her body. He didn't hear any response from her.

Thud!

Thud!

Thud!

The next thing that happened was both of them hitting several trees before they hit the ground. Nathan winced in pain and he felt the impact.

Break!

Crush!

Not only the branches, but he heard the breaking of bones. He got hurt as their bodies hit the rock. He was still hugging Abigail when their bodies continued rolling down from the cliff.

Nathan's heart sank when he saw Abigail's bleeding head and her unconscious figure.

"Abi... wake up..." Nathan tapped her face tenderly.

But Abigail was no longer responding. Nathan panicked. The memories of him holding Monica's lifeless body came flashing to his mind.

'Abi... no! NO! Please wake up...'

Nathan was also losing consciousness. He was badly injured as well. He couldn't move his leg as a sharp branch pierced his flesh. Nathan was also bleeding so hard, making him so weak.

With his remaining strength, Nathan just hugged Abigail in his arms. Before he knew it, he collapsed and fainted. The two lay unconscious on the ground. Both were injured and bleeding. If they couldn't be found quickly, both of them might die.

From a distance, the sniper watched Abigail and Nathan through his telescope. He picked up his phone and dialed someone's number.

"It's all done." The sniper reported to his Boss. The sniper immediately left his post after reporting his mission accomplished.

'There is no way they can survive that fall. Furthermore, no one will think that there are people who need to be rescued in this place. By the time their family members realize that they are missing, the two will be cold corpses.' The sniper was confident that no one would save Abigail and Nathan.

[At Stephen's Place...]

In the Phantomflake's ward, the miraculous thing happened once more. The patient who had been lying in a coma for a very long time finally woke up. And this time, this was for real!

Gasp!

Phantomflake gasped as she snapped her eyes open. Her hand removed the oxygen mask and she tried to get up. But her body was so weak! She could feel the numbness of her muscles. She had difficulties moving around.

Breathing heavily, Phantomflake looked at her hands and shifted her gaze to her surroundings.

'No! This can't be...' The realization scared her to the core. She was back to her original body!

"N-Nathan... Abigail... they are in danger!" Phantomflake mumbled in her hoarse voice.

In her panicking mode, she tried to move, removing the IV drip in her hand. No one was around! She needed to ask for their help.

Thud!

Phantomflake tried to get up but her feet were still so weak. She ended up falling to the floor. She couldn't stand as her legs were still adjusting. She was immobilized for two years. This was a natural body reaction for the patient who was in a coma for a long time.

"Help! Help! Stephen! Cherry!" Phantomflake shouted for help, hoping that Cherry and Stephen were just nearby.

She needed their help. Her heart was about to burst from too much worrying about Nathan and Abigail.

"Bam-Bam! Are you here?!! Help me!" Phantomflake felt so desperate.

"Damn it! Where are the people here?" She tried to stand up but failed. Her legs were very weak.

She clenched her fists tightly, her eyes getting misty. She punched her legs several times. "You need to stand! Stand!" she said through her gritted teeth.

For the first time, Phantomflake felt so helpless. But her desire to save Nathan and Abigail was strong.

With all her strength, She crawled toward the door. She had to tell someone that Nathan and Abigail were in danger.

Just when she reached the door, someone finally entered the ward. Cherry was surprised when she saw Phantomflake on the floor. She immediately bent over to help her.

"Sissss! You're awake!" Cherry was so happy. She hugged Phantomflake as if there was no tomorrow. But there was no time to rejoice.

"Sis, don't be afraid. You are safe here. No one will try to hurt you." Cherry comforted her, thinking that Phantomflake was trying to escape.

But Phantomflake shook her head. "Black Rose... where is Stephen? Call him now. ASAP!"

Cherry was taken aback for a moment when Phantomflake mentioned Stephen. How did she know she was in Stephen's place? She could remember Stephen now?

"Go, Black Rose. Find him now!" Phantomflake pushed her away from her. Cherry could feel the sense of urgency in her voice.

Cherry set aside her confusion. She had to follow Phantomflake's order. She was about to leave when Phantomflake held her elbow thus stopping her.

"Sis?"

"Inform Stephen that Nathan and Abigail are in danger. He needs to conduct a search and rescue mission in Caceres Hill and the surrounding forest." Phantomflake didn't want to waste any more time. Cherry should tell Stephen right away about Nathan's and Abigail's situation.

Cherry: "..."

"Go, Black Rose. We are running out of time. The two might die!" Phantomflake commanded her with her authoritative voice.

"O-Okay... Sis!" Cherry immediately left the room, looking for Stephen.

When Cherry left, Phantomflake leaned on the wall, closing her eyes. She was silently praying that Nathan and Abigail were safe.

'I swear... once I regain my strength, I'll catch that sniper... and the person behind him!'

Chapter 432 I Saw Them With My Own Eyes

Day Fifty...

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As per the command of Phantomflake, Cherry immediately searched for Stephen although she didn't know what happened to Jane. Was she imagining things? Perhaps, an illusion? But how come Phantomflake knew about Stephen, Nathan, and Abigail?

Despite this confusion, Cherry was someone who would listen and obey Phantomflake's order. Furthermore, she could hear the urgency in her voice. She sounded like it was a matter of life or death situation.

"Have you seen Stephen?" Cherry asked the nurse she bumped into the hallway.

"Doc Stephen is in his study," the nurse replied.

"Go and check, Jane. She woke up! I will call Doc Stephen," Cherry informed the nurse so that she could monitor Phantomflake's condition. She was alone in her room.

The nurse was surprised because the coma patient finally woke up. She quickly proceeded to Phantomflake's room.

Meanwhile, Cherry headed to Stephen's study room.

Cherry barged inside the room without knocking. Stephen was reading some documents when he was interrupted by Cherry's sudden intrusion.

"Is there something wrong, Che?" Stephen asked her in puzzlement. He put down the files as he looked at her, observing her expression.

"Stephen... We need to find Nathan and Abigail! They are in danger!"

Stephen frowned when he heard that. "Why? What's wrong?"

"I don't know the complete details... but I received a tip that they were in Caceres Hills... and they need to be rescued." Cherry avoided mentioning Phantomflake's name. She was afraid Stephen wouldn't listen to her if she would tell him that the information came from Phantomflake. Even she, herself, couldn't understand how a coma patient learned about the danger Nathan and Abigail were facing.

Stephen fell silent for a moment, assessing Cherry's facial expression. He noticed something odd with her reaction. Stephen was a psychologist so he could easily see through her. She was hiding something.

"Cherry, tell me the truth. Who gave you this information? I hope this is not a prank." Stephen's expression turned serious. This had something to do with his best friend's safety so Stephen wanted to make sure that this was not a joke.

Stephen could see some hesitation in her eyes. But he sensed that Cherry was not making up a story.

"Doc Stephen... don't be shocked but... Jane is now awake. She's the one who informed me about this. She said you have to mobilize a search and rescue operation—" Cherry couldn't finish her words as Stephen dashed out as soon as he heard that Jane regained consciousness.

He moved in a flash, reaching Phantomflake's room. Stephen didn't know how fast he moved just to see her. Cherry could only run and follow him from behind.

Bam!

Stephen pushed the door open and his eyes scanned the room, searching for Jane. He stood frozen in his spot the moment his gaze fell on Jane's face.

'Jane is awake! She is awake!' Stephen couldn't contain his joy and excitement. After a few seconds, his feet began to step forward, closing their gaps.

Jane was sitting on the edge of her bed while being checked by the nurse. Stephen pushed the nurse aside and pulled Jane into a hug.

Jane was surprised when Stephen hugged her tightly. 'This is not the time for this. He should find Nathan and Abigail.' Jane crumpled her face and gently pushed him away.

"Stephen, you have to find Nathan and Abigail. They might be in danger. Search the Caceres Hills and the surrounding forests." Jane spoke spontaneously.

Stephen was stunned in silence. 'She called my name. Did she remember me? But how about Nathan and Abigail? How did she know that they are in danger?'

Seeing the confusion and disbelief in Stephen's eyes, Jane reached out, grabbing his shirt. She looked straight into his eyes, not breaking their eye-to-eye contact.

"Steph... There is no time to spare. You have to move now!" Jane said in her pleading tone. She clutched his shirt tightly. Her worries and concerns were evident to her face.

Stephen could only bob his head. Without wasting any more time, Stephen dialed Axel's number. If something went wrong, Axel could respond immediately as Nathan's right hand man. He knew that Axel could mobilize Nathan's men faster.

"Axel! This is an emergency! Mobilize your team! Search for Nathan and Abigail at Caceres Hill and forest! ASAP!" Stephen didn't know why but when it came to Jane, he couldn't say no to her. And he believed her no matter what.

After informing Axel, Stephen also called the police department. He wanted to maximize the police force to speed up the search.

Jane heaved a sigh of relief when Stephen started to move. But her heart was still heavy because she didn't know what happened to Nathan and Abigail after her soul was transferred back to her original body. The last thing she remembered was that Nathan hugged her tightly when their parachute got hit.

Stephen had observed that Jane was still anxious. He wanted to comfort her so he stroked her hand and said, "Don't worry. We will find Abigail." He thought she was worried because of Abigail since they knew each other.

"I will go there myself," Stephen added.

Jane bit her lower lip and bobbed her head. She would be more at ease if Stephen would go there. "Just stay here and lie down. You still need to recover your energy."

"I will take care of my sis. You can go now, Doc Stephen." Cherry joined them.

Stephen said goodbye to them to join the search and rescue. He had just left the house when he received a confirmation text from Axel. Indeed, Nathan went to Caceres Hill together with Abigail. He booked the entire place for today.

When Stephen read Axel's message, he suddenly became nervous. What if something bad happened to the couple? He couldn't fathom as to why Jane knew about this.

Both Stephen and Axel were now on the way to Caceres Hill. Axel mobilized the members of Syphiruz to find and track their Supreme Leader's current location. They just hoped his phone was switched on so that they could track him quickly.

Meanwhile, Cherry accompanied Jane in her room. She didn't leave her side. She felt so happy just watching her.

"Sis Phantom..." Cherry grabbed her hands. There were lots of things she wanted to ask her.

"Black Rose..." Jane already expected that Cherry would ask so many questions.

"How... how did you know that Abigail and Nathan are in danger?"

Jane felt conflicted for a moment. "I saw them with my own eyes. My soul..."

Cherry: "..."

Chapter 433 The Search And Rescue

Day Fifty...

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[At Caceres Hill...]

Axel's team arrived at Caceres Hill. He confirmed that Nathan's car was there. Chantha accompanied him when she heard about the emergency situation.

They didn't know what exactly happened to Nathan and Abigail. They only received an urgent call from Axel, mobilizing them to do a search and rescue operation.

Axel's team began to search the area. They divided the team into four groups. Each group was composed of ten members. Spider and Joker led the two groups while Axel and Chantha headed the other groups.

Axel went to the view deck to search for Nathan and Abigail. But he saw no one. Only the picnic set and basket were left behind. There was no sign of the couple.

He immediately called the other teams to report using his handheld radio.

"Negative. The Supreme Leader is not here. Find him in the nearby forests." Axel dispatched the other teams to the surrounding forests.

Axel kneeled on the ground, checking the items that were left behind in the view deck. He heaved a frustrated sigh upon seeing Nathan's bag and Abigail's pouch. They both left their phones before doing the paragliding.

"Damn it! We can't locate them using their GPS." Axel massaged his temples.

'Master... where are you? What happened to you and Miss Abi?' Axel started to feel anxious.

Joker's team used two helicopters to find them. Chantha's team and Spider's team were roaming around the nearby forests. They also brought Bloodhound and Labrador retriever to help them with their search.

A few minutes later, Stephen also arrived at Caceres Hill together with the police force. They joined the search.

"Did you find them?" Stephen asked Axel as soon as they met at the view deck.

Axel shook his head feeling dejected. "Their phones and belongings are here. But no sign of them."

"Have you informed Uncle Xu?" Stephen asked Axel. "We need to tell him about this."

"I understand," Axel promptly responded.

The two immediately contacted Old Man Xu.

Old Man Xu was hanging out in his study room together with Ethan when he received a call from Axel.

"Hello?" Old Man Xu's puzzled voice was heard from the other line.

"Chairman Xu... something came up. We are currently searching for your son. We received a tip that he and Abigail were in danger." Axel informed the old man.

Old Man Xu's eyes widened in shock. "What?!"

But Old Man Xu stopped at the realization that Ethan was sitting with him. He didn't want his grandson to worry. For the time being, he wanted to keep this from him.

"Grandpa? Are you okay? Is there something wrong?" Ethan asked his grandpa with his innocent eyes. He looked at him expectantly, waiting for his reply.

"Oh. Nothing. Grandson... may you excuse me for a while?" Old Man Xu stood up.

Ethan just bobbed his head, clueless about the danger his father and Abigail were facing.

Old Man Xu ruffled Ethan's hair and smiled at him, concealing his negative emotions. But the moment he stepped out of his study room, Old Man Xu's expression darkened and became serious.

He made sure to go out so that Ethan wouldn't overhear his conversation with Axel.

"What happened to my son and Abigail?" Old Man Xu was worried for both of them.

"I'm sorry, Chairman... but I can't give you an answer for now. We are still trying to find out the situation," Axel politely responded.

"Find them! If something bad happens to them, I don't know how I will face my grandson and explain this to him. Find my son and Abigail. ASAP!" Old Man Xu talked with authority.

"We are doing our best, Chairman Xu. I will update you as soon as we get progress with our search."

Little did Old Man Xu know, Ethan followed him. He overheard the conversation.

'Something... happened to my Mom and Dad? Are they missing?' Little Ethan felt like his world crumbled at that certain moment.

[At Stephen's place...]

Cherry was still confused by Jane's last remarks.

["I saw them with my own eyes. My soul..."]

Cherry just smiled awkwardly. She thought Phantomflake could see the illusion as an aftereffect of her coma condition. She might feel disoriented about reality and imagination.

Cherry decided not to ask Jane some questions. Maybe this was not the right time to do that. In the end, she didn't comment further. She just stepped out of the room to get some food for Jane.

Cherry had just left the room when Bam-Bam showed up in front of Phantomflake.

"Masterrrr!!!! Congratulations! You are back to your original body!" Bam-Bam flew toward her.

Jane squinted her eyes as soon as she saw Bam-Bam. She immediately grabbed his two wings, holding Bam-Bam in place.

"M-Master?" Bam-Bam stuttered when he noticed the sharp glare Jane was giving him. "Are you mad? Aren't you happy that you've returned to your body?"

"Yes. I have no reason to be happy. Nathan and Abigail are in danger! You should help me, Bam-Bam! Find them! Save them! They might be injured!" Jane said pleadingly.

"Master... I can't intervene... but I can help you find them. That's the only thing I can offer. If they are injured, healing them is out of my ability. But if you want... I can transfer Nathan's soul to someone's else body if ever he is about to die– Ouch!"

Bam-Bam groaned when Jane smacked his forehead. Jane didn't like Bam-Bam's suggestion of transferring Nathan's soul.

"Master! I'm just kidding. I won't transfer Nathan's soul. We still have an unfinished mission! I mean... You..." Bam-Bam took his words so that Jane wouldn't twist and snap his wings.

"Let's talk about that later! Just go and find them. We have to tell Stephen about their exact location. I don't have any idea if they are severely injured or not." Jane was worried-sick for both Nathan and Abigail.

"Okay, Master! Let go of my wings. I'm going to find them!" Bam-Bam gave Jane a reassuring smile.

Jane immediately let go of Bam-Bam. In just a blink of an eye, the magical creature disappeared from her sight.

Jane pursed her lips while putting her hands together. 'Go Bam-Bam. Please find them as soon as possible. I can't let them die... Nathan and Abigail shouldn't die....'

Chapter 434 Abigail's Worse Condition

Day Fifty...

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[At Caceres Hill...]

Bam-Bam teleported to Caceres Hills after receiving Phantomflake's request. Abigail and Nathan shouldn't die so he had to find them as soon as possible. But this task was just a piece of cake. He still had a tracking spell connected to Abigail's soul.

In just a few minutes, Bam-Bam found Abigail's location. He gasped when a bloody scene greeted his sight. Both Nathan and Abigail were bleeding. They were lying unconscious on the ground, Nathan hugging her. Their bodies and faces were covered with bruises.

Bam-Bam flew toward them, assessing the two. "Tsk, Tsk, Tsk... They got broken bones... but fortunately, they are still breathing. I can already imagine how my Master will react if something bad happens to these two."

Bam-Bam shrugged and trembled, shivering at the thought of facing Phantomflake's wrath. He moved closer to Nathan and Abigail, checking their current condition. Bam-Bam sighed helplessly when he saw Abigail. Her body hadn't completely healed and now, she got injured once again from this fall.

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Jane couldn't be at ease without knowing what happened to Nathan and Abigail. She was supposed to be the one there. But unexpectedly, Nathan confessed his feelings for her, making her go back to her original body.

Jane clutched her chest. Her heart was clenching at the thought of Nathan confessing his feelings for her. What would happen to them now? The real Abigail would never remember their moments together. She wouldn't accept Nathan's feelings because she loved Dave, not Nathan.

Furthermore, the person who made him fall in love again was Phantomflake, not the real Abigail. Nathan wouldn't realize that the person he admired was Phantomflake herself.

'Damn it! Things are getting more complicated. How about Ethan? He will be waiting for us to fetch him. He will be sad if he learns that Nathan and Abigail are hurt.' Jane clenched her jaws. She couldn't wait to catch the assassin who targeted them.

'I need to be strong! I can't do anything if my body is weak!' Jane covered her face using both hands. She was feeling problematic at this moment.

"Masterrrr!!!!" Bam-Bam's loud voice brought her back to the present.

"Have you found them? How are they?" Jane asked Bam-Bam expectantly.

"Yes. I found them. They were both injured but breathing. However, Abigail needs immediate medical assistance. Her condition is worse than Nathan's condition." Bam-Bam informed her immediately.

"Tell me!" Jane said with urgency in her voice.

Using his magical power, Bam-Bam showed Jane the location where he found the two. "I need their exact coordinates, Bam-Bam."

Jane's heart throbbed when she saw Nathan's unconscious body. He was still embracing Abigail. She could tell that Nathan did his best to protect her. The anger surged up in her heart. She wanted to kill the person responsible for this.

Bam-Bam and Jane were still talking when Cherry entered the room, holding a tray of food. Jane had no appetite to eat anything.

"Black Rose... I need to borrow your laptop. Now!" Her commanding voice reverberated in the entire room. Cherry could only put down the tray and followed her order.

It did not take too long before Cherry returned, holding her laptop. She gave it to Jane immediately. The next thing she heard was the tap-tap sound of the keyboard. Jane's fingers were so fast.

Fifteen seconds later, Jane showed her screen to Cherry. "This is the exact location where they can find Nathan and Abigail. Inform Stephen about this."

"Okay, Sis. I got this."

Cherry quickly dialed Stephen's number. As per Jane's order, she relayed her message, telling Stephen about the exact location of Nathan and Abigail.

Stephen wondered because Cherry was able to locate them. He immediately shared this information with Axel's team. The Syphiruz Mafia headed to the identified spot right away. The intel was correct and accurate. They found their Supreme Leader and his girlfriend, Abigail.

It took them twenty minutes to transfer them to the helicopter. Joker's team was driving the helicopter, heading to the nearest hospital. Stephen and Axel left Caceres Hill to go to the hospital.

Abigail and Nathan were still unconscious when they reached the hospital. The doctors immediately took care of them. They were VIP patients that they needed to treat right away.

Stephen, Axel, and Chantha waited outside the operating room, pacing back and forth. Soon, Old Man Xu called Stephen.

"How's my son? What happened to him and Abigail?" Old Man Xu asked him as soon as the call got connected.

"Uncle, I think someone tried to kill them. Nathan and Abigail went paragliding. Upon checking the parachutes, we found out that it was damaged and was hit by several bullets. This is not an accident. This is a premeditated plan."

"Okay. Please update me about their conditions. I have to find my grandson. Ethan is missing!" Old Man Xu sounded very anxious.

"What? Ethan also went missing?" Stephen was surprised.

"Yes. I think he overheard our conversation. I just found out that he left the mansion upon checking the CCTV footage. I already mobilized the Sparks Family guards to find my grandson." Old Man Xu sighed deeply, worrying about his son and grandson.

"Don't worry, Uncle. Ethan is a smart kid. He will find his way back." Stephen wanted to console Old Man Xu.

"Sigh! I know. But still... he is just a kid... a five-year-old kid." Old Man Xu couldn't help but feel anxious.

They were still talking over the phone when the door of the operating room slid open. The doctor assigned to Abigail finally came out. He had a sullen look on his face. Stephen excused himself for a moment to ask the doctor.

"Doctor, how is the patient? Is she safe now?" Stephen could feel the tension as he watched the doctor. He didn't look good.

The doctor exhaled sharply before speaking up. "Doc Stephen... I'm sorry to tell you... but the patient is in a coma state."

"What? Coma State?" Chantha was the one who reacted first. She heard the doctor's words. "How are we going to say this to our Master?!! And Young Master, Ethan?"

"And to Abigail's family?" Axel also butted in. He was aware that Abigail was a member of the Yan Family. They just found her. And now, she suddenly got into this coma state. "Her grandfather is gravely ill. I don't think he can take this piece of bad news."

The atmosphere surrounding them became heavy. Axel, Stephen, and Chantha became quiet for a long moment. The doctor explained further why Abigail fell into a coma.

"We will move her to the ICU. But I recommend transferring her to the big hospital in Towerville City. They are well-equipped there."

"I understand, Doc. Thank you." Stephen softly said. He was worried that Jane would be sad to hear this news. Not only Jane but many people would be affected by this— Nathan, Ethan, Old Master Yan, and Dave.

'Who did this? Who is their target? Was it Nathan or Abigail?' Stephen was still trying to figure out who the possible culprit was when suddenly a little voice was heard from the back.

"Uncle Stephen... where's my Mom and Dad?" Ethan showed up.

Stephen: "Ethan?"

Chantha: "Young Master Ethan, how did you find us?"

Axel: "..."

Chapter 435 Second Part Of Her Mission

Day Fifty...

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After overhearing the conversation between his grandpa and Stephen, Ethan left the Xu Mansion and returned to Sparks Mansion, riding a taxi.

When he arrived at the mansion, he headed to his playroom where he could find his robotic friends. Powy, Riemc, and Star S helped him in tracking Abigail and Nathan.

Since Stephen and Axel brought their cell phones with them, Ethan was able to track the hospital. The young boy got worried because the place in the GPS tracker was a hospital. It only meant something happened either to his father or to Abigail.

Ethan rushed out of the mansion. At this time, Ethan asked their family chauffeur to bring him to the hospital. He didn't have time to tell his grandpa because he knew his grandpa didn't want him to know about the situation.

With his own initiative, he made a move, searching for Nathan and Abigail. He ended up meeting Stephen outside the operating room.

"Where are they? Are they okay?" Ethan repeated his question, looking for them.

Stephen, who was utterly surprised by Ethan's presence, stepped forward, closing their gaps. He held Ethan's shoulders and said, "Your Dad is still in the operating room. He received several injuries... but his life is not in danger. He will be fine."

Ethan's eyes teared up. "How about Miss Abi? My Mom?" The young boy could no longer hold his tears. He was worried sick for both Nathan and Abigail.

Stephen was not able to respond right away. He looked up, glancing at Axel and Chantha. They knew that Ethan would be heartbroken once he learned that Abigail was in a coma.

"Uncle Steph? What happened to my Mom?" Ethan could sense that Stephen was reluctant to disclose information regarding Abigail's condition.

Failing to get an answer from Stephen, Little Ethan turned to the doctor who was silently standing next to Stephen.

"Doc, where is my Mom? What happened to her?"

The doctor hesitated for a moment. He stared at Stephen with a questioning gaze. The doctor seemed to ask Stephen whether he should tell the kid or not.

eaglesnove1,coM Ethan became impatient. Without waiting for them, he barged into the operating room. He immediately looked for Abigail.

"Mom! Mom!" Ethan ran in the direction of Abigail. She was now in the stretcher bed, getting ready to be transferred to Intensive Care Unit.

Ethan's heart sank when he saw Abigail with an oxygen mask and unconscious. He was about to hold her but stopped when he noticed something. Ethan's expression changed, confusion resurfacing in his eyes.

The nurses watched the boy in amusement. He was not supposed to be there.

"Where did this kid come from? What is he doing here?" The nurses whispered at each other.

Stephen and the doctor also entered the operating room, following Ethan. Stephen held Ethan's shoulders. The young boy was not wearing a medical gown.

"Ethan, let's go out. We can't stay here. We should wear proper medical gowns to avoid transferring harmful microorganisms to Miss Abi. Her current health condition is very delicate." Stephen explained, convincing Ethan to step out for a moment.

But Ethan was not paying attention to his words. Ethan's eyes were fixed on Abigail's face. Then his gaze moved from top to bottom as if Ethan was searching for something. After a while, Ethan crumpled his face and his eyes teared up while saying, "Where's my Mommy? She's not here."

Stephen and the doctor exchanged glances with one another. They thought Ethan was so shocked that he couldn't recognize Abigail. Perhaps, he was shaken by this incident, making him in denial.

"Don't worry, dear. Your mommy only needs time to heal and recover. We will transfer her to the big hospital in the city." The doctor also tapped Ethan's shoulder, consoling him.

"Where is she? Where is she? She's not here!" Ethan raised his voice. His face filled with fear and panic.

"Ethan, calm down. Let's go out first..." Stephen tried his best to bring Ethan outside. Then he motioned the nurses to transfer Abigail to the ICU.

Ethan cried and cried while hugging Stephen's legs. "Uncle... where is mom? My Mom? She's not my mom."

Stephen didn't know what to do. This was the first time he saw Ethan in this vulnerable state. In Stephen's point of view, Ethan was just shocked after seeing Abigail's condition, that's why he reacted like this. It seemed like he was searching for someone who was not there as if he couldn't accept the fact that Abigail was in that sorry state.

Stephen could only hug the poor boy while stroking his back. He tried his best to comfort him.

Meanwhile, at Stephen's place, Phantomflake got a chance to have a private talk with Bam-Bam. The magical creature returned so she requested Cherry to leave. She told Cherry that she wanted to be alone and rest.

But little did she know, Jane just wanted to talk to Bam-Bam. There were lots of things she wanted to ask him. Furthermore, she asked Bam-bam to check Nathan and Abigail in the hospital a while ago.

"How are they? Is Nathan safe? How about Abigail?" Jane couldn't hide her worries and concerns for the two. She wanted to visit them but Cherry forbade her from leaving the house. She had just regained her consciousness and her body was still weak.

"You don't have to worry about Nathan, Master. He is safe. He has some fractures but they will heal in one to two weeks. Abigail, on the other hand, is in a coma." Bam-bam paused for a moment, scratching his face using his paw.

"When her soul returned to her body, her injury from the fall on the 13th floor of Centerville Hotel a few months ago also returned. But it was not that life-threatening as compared to before because your soul healed some parts of her body and your energy was transferred to her."

Jane didn't know if she should feel glad about that news or not. "Okay. Can you please help me monitor her condition? I owe her a lot. She must survive. Her family is waiting for her... Grandpa... I mean Old Master Yan will be devastated by this. He had just found his missing granddaughter... and now, this happens." Jane was sympathizing with Abigail and her family.

"Sigh. Master. Stop worrying about Abigail. You have to worry about yourself. Now that you are back to your original body, everything will change. Your relationship with Nathan is still..." Bam-Bam stopped talking when he noticed Jane's sharp gaze.

Jane was aware of this. Bam-Bam didn't need to remind her or emphasize her conflict with Nathan.

"I know. Nathan still hates me. And he wants to kill me." Jane felt disheartened by that thought.

"M-Master... the truth is... There is something I have to tell you. Hmm... In fact, your mission is not yet done... You are now in the second part of your mission. Tomorrow... is the 51st day of your mission."

Jane glanced at Bam-Bam with a questioning gaze. "What do you mean by that? What second part of my mission?"

Bam-Bam made sure to distance himself from Jane before answering her question. He was worried that Jane would grab his wings again and twist them out of annoyance and irritation.

"The first part of your mission is making him fall in love using Abigail's body. You succeeded. And now, the second part is... ahem, still the same. You have to make him fall in love with you in the remaining 50 days...as Phantomflake... as Jane... your real self."

"If you fail to do so ... you are going to die ... after 50 days."

Jane: "..."

Chapter 436 Nathan's Command

Day Fifty-One...

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Nathan regained consciousness at around 1:00 o'clock in the morning. The moment he opened his eyes, he immediately turned to his side, searching for Abigail. His heart pounded so hard against his chest when he didn't see her. The last thing he remembered was that he was hugging her before he lost consciousness.

Nathan tried to get up but he groaned in pain when he suddenly moved. He just realized that he was already in the hospital. His right hand was fractured. He also got an injury in his left leg. It was pierced by a sharp branch of a tree when they fell and hit the ground.

The worry and concern for Abigail were evident on his face. He endured the pain since he wanted to leave his ward to find Abigail.

'Where's Abi?! I need to see her.' Nathan clenched his teeth. He was mad because he failed to protect her. He didn't anticipate that kind of accident during the paragliding. He was blaming himself for the incident.

Nathan removed his IV drip and got off the bed. He winced when his injured leg touched the floor. He had difficulty standing so he had to hold the bed for him to stand up.

He was in that state when the door of the ward slid open. Stephen returned after checking Abigail's VIP room. Both Nathan and Abigail were transferred to the big hospital in Towerville City.

"Nate!" Stephen dashed in his direction to support him. "What are you doing? You are supposed to lie on your bed. You are badly injured."

Nathan grabbed Stephen's right arm tightly. "Where is Abigail? Is she safe? What happened to her?" He bombarded Stephen with so many questions. He couldn't control his emotions. He lost his composure because of the fear and anxiousness.

The feeling was similar to what he felt before— the feeling of seeing his loved one bleeding to death in his arms. He was scared of losing someone he loved once again. He had just accepted his feelings for Abigail. He had just admitted that he liked her.

Nathan had a bad feeling when he noticed Stephen's sullen look.

'No! Don't tell me... something bad happened to Abigail? Oh God... Please no.' Nathan's heart raced even faster at that thought. He didn't know if he wanted to listen to Stephen or not.

"Nate... Abigail... is in a coma."

Nathan froze the moment he heard that. He felt like his world just crumbled before his eyes. He lost the ability to speak. And his heart clenched, feeling suffocated.

'No! This can't be. Why her? Why it has to be her?'

Nathan slumped his body onto the bed as he sat down. Every ounce of his energy was drained because of that piece of bad news.

"How could this happen?! This is my fault... I shouldn't have convinced her to do paragliding with me. It's my fault!" Nathan punched his chest. He had mixed emotions right now– Fear, Anxiousness, Anger, and Regret.

Stephen grabbed his hand, stopping him from hurting himself. "Nate, calm down. This is not your fault. There is another person involved here. Someone tried to kill the two of you. Your parachute was destroyed by the bullets. There was an assassin!"

Nathan was taken aback for a moment. He felt so bad after hearing that. There was a gleam of bitterness in his eyes as he laughed humorlessly. "Assassin? Again? Someone tried to kill the woman who is so important to me... for the second time around?!"

Stephen didn't know how he would console Nathan. He could understand his pain... his anger.

"Nate... we are not sure yet who is the target. It's either you or Abigail. Axel and others are still investigating it." Stephen watched Nathan intently. He was contemplating whether he should tell him about Phantomflake or not.

'I don't think this is the right time to tell him about Phantomflake waking up. His emotions are not yet stable. I am afraid that he might vent his anger and frustration on Phantomflake.' Stephen was thinking of Jane. As much as possible, he didn't want Nathan to confront Phantomflake at this moment.

Meanwhile, Nathan was surrounded by a chilly aura. His expression darkened with rage.

"Call Axel now. I have to talk to him!" Nathan mumbled through his gritted teeth.

Just to calm Nathan down, he followed his instruction. Stephen called Axel, summoning him. Fortunately, Axel was still awake. He was busy with the investigation.

From the Syphiruz Headquarters, Axel drove back to the hospital to meet Nathan. He arrived after fifteen minutes. He sensed the urgency in Stephen's voice so Axel sped off and drove as fast as he could just to reach the hospital.

Axel headed straight to Nathan's VIP ward. Stephen and Nathan were already waiting for him.

"Sir," Axel immediately approached Nathan. He stood next to his sick bed where Nathan was silently sitting down. Axel was supposed to ask Nathan but he stopped his words after noticing the frightening aura surrounding his Boss.

'He might have heard the news already,' Axel thought to himself.

"Axel, as my right-hand man... I will give this important and urgent task to you. Catch the culprit as soon as possible! Do whatever means as long as you can catch him." Nathan gave his command in his authoritative voice. Stephen and Axel could sense that Nathan was furious. He was hell-bent to find whoever did this to them.

"Yes, sir. I understand. I will do everything to solve this case as soon as possible!" Axel accepted the mission and reassured Nathan.

"Start your investigation... with Madam Lu! She has the motive to do this! You know what to do! If you have to torture her just to get an answer from her... do it! Use our connection so that you can get her out of prison without her family noticing it. Bring her to our Dark Room!"

The Dark Room was the place where members of Syphiruz were torturing their enemies just to get intel and information from them.

Axel and Stephen exchanged glances with one another. Nathan could be the devil incarnate once he was provoked. He would show no mercy. Someone dared touch his bottom line. Nathan wouldn't back down.

Because of this incident, the devil was awakened. He would strike back and attack aggressively just like what he did two years ago when he annihilated Phantomflake's clan.

eαglesnovel After receiving the order from Nathan, Axel immediately left and started his move. He would target Madam Lu first.

On the other hand, Nathan made a request from Stephen.

"Steph... please bring me to her. I want to see... Abigail." Nathan's expression softened when he mentioned Abigail's name. He needed to see her no matter what.

Stephen just bobbed his head. He prepared Nathan's wheelchair. Nathan had difficulty walking because of his leg injury. He pushed the wheelchair toward the other room. Abigail's VIP room was attached to Nathan's room.

"Have you informed Abigail's family?" Nathan asked Stephen as they approached Abigail's VIP room.

"Not yet. I'm waiting for you to wake up. But we have another problem, Nate."

Nathan glanced up, giving Stephen a questioning gaze. "What is it?"

"Your son... Ethan... He already knew what happened to you and Abigail. And he was greatly affected by this."

Chapter 437 Nathan's Curse?

Day Fifty-One...

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Nathan felt conflicted at the mention of his son. He knew Ethan. If he was emotionally unstable because of what happened to Abigail, how much more Ethan? That son of his was very fond of her. He loved Abigail so much as if she was his mother.

"How's Ethan? How did he react upon knowing what happened to Abigail?" A hint of worry flashed in his blue eyes.

"He cried a lot. I think Ethan can't accept that Abigail is in a coma." Stephen paused for a moment, contemplating whether he should tell Nathan how Ethan had acted strangely a while ago.

After careful consideration, Stephen decided to reveal Ethan's current emotional state. "Nate, Ethan might be shocked by this incident. The moment he saw Abigail, he couldn't recognize her. He kept on searching for his mom, telling me that Abigail was not her."

Nathan frowned deeply when he heard that. He was also confused. Ethan was a smart boy. He was also strong-willed. It was so unusual for him to act like that. He seldom saw him crying and weeping.

"He fell asleep after crying so much. Uncle took care of him in the Xu Mansion," Stephen added.

Nathan felt heartbroken because even his son was suffering too much. When Monica died, Ethan never shed a tear because he was too young at that time. He didn't understand the situation yet. But now, he was five. He could discern the situation. He was sad and afraid to lose Abigail whom he was treating as his second mother.

"Fetch Ethan later. I will talk to my son, myself."

"Okay, Nate." Stephen promptly responded.

Soon, the two men entered Abigail's VIP Ward. Nathan's eyes set ablaze after seeing Abigail's current condition. Her head was wrapped by a bandage and she was wearing an oxygen mask. Some parts of her face had bruises.

"Leave me alone..." Nathan coldly mumbled.

Stephen just bobbed his head, silently leaving the ward. When Nathan was left alone inside, he moved his wheelchair closer to the sick bed. His eyes turned red, holding his tears. He cursed himself inwardly.

'I failed... again. Why can't I even protect every woman I love? Why? What curse is this? Every woman who got closer to me was getting hurt...' Nathan smiled bitterly at that thought. Nathan grabbed Abigail's hand, holding onto her tightly.

"Abi... please be strong. You have to live... You must survive this. Don't leave us..." Nathan slammed his eyes shut, gnashing his teeth. His heart was filled with anxiety.

'I will not let you die. I keep Phantomflake alive for a long time. I know... you will also wake up. You will recover. I will do everything I can to keep you alive!' Nathan swore inwardly. He planned on transferring Abigail to the Syphiruz Medical Facility. In there, he could monitor her. And they had much more advanced medical equipment than this hospital.

Nathan stayed inside Abigail's ward for an hour, just holding her hand and watching her. Stephen entered to advise Nathan to take a rest. He was also injured so he needed to recover and recuperate.

Nathan just agreed to return because Stephen convinced him that he had to conserve his energy in order to find the culprits. Nathan must recover quickly so that he could deal with the culprit by himself.

He had just returned to his VIP ward when he received a call from Axel.

"Master. Madam Lu is in our hands now. Chantha started the interrogation in the Dark Room," Axel reported to their Supreme Leader.

"Just kill her if she won't talk," Nathan ruthlessly said. He didn't care about Madam Lu's life. He was willing to kill anyone for the people he loved.

"Are you sure about this, Nate? Can't you reconsider? Madam Lu is still Abigail's grand aunt." Stephen didn't want Nathan to kill another person just for his revenge. "You should calm down, Nate."

Nathan fell silent for a moment. "She is evil. She schemed against her own brother, making him sick. Do you think she deserves to live after what she had done to Abigail and Abigail's grandfather?"

"Nate... Just think it over... Killing people is not the answer to everything..." Stephen was trying his best to change Nathan's mind.

Nathan just remained silent.

Knock! Knock!

Nathan and Stephen were interrupted when they heard a knock. Before they could say a word, the door slid open and Aiden came into their view.

"Nateeee!" He yelled as he ran in his direction. Aiden just heard the news of what happened to Nathan and Abigail. Stephen had to go back to his place so he called Aiden, requesting him to watch over Nathan on his behalf. Stephen couldn't wait to see Jane.

"Bro, how are you? Are hurt somewhere? How about Abigail? Where is she? How did this happen?" Aiden spoke spontaneously, his eyes scanning Nathan from top to bottom and his hands checking his body.

Nathan narrowed his eyes at Aiden. Their best friend was being so dramatic once more. Stephen had to grab his shirt and pulled him away from Nathan.

"Stop pestering Nate if you don't want to get beaten," Stephen warned Aiden in a whisper.

Aiden immediately covered his mouth using both hands while eyeing Nathan apologetically.

"Nate. I have to go home first. Aiden will be here to watch over you. If you need anything, Aiden will help and assist you." Stephen bade his goodbye. He was dying to see Jane. He hadn't talked to her yet because he got busy processing everything in the hospital. He had to take care of Ethan and Nathan. Stephen felt so exhausted today.

"Just leave Nathan to me. I promise to take care of him!" Aiden raised his hand as if he was making an oath.

eαglesnovel Stephen watched him meaningfully. Before leaving, he reminded Aiden not to annoy and bother Nathan. "Aiden. You have to behave. Just do and say nothing to Nathan. I assure you... Nathan is not in a good mood."

Aiden smiled sheepishly before bobbing his head frantically. "Yes, Boss. I know what to do."

Stephen just sighed helplessly. He was doubtful and uncertain whether Aiden would be able to stop his blabbering mouth. What if he would annoy Nathan? He would suffer a consequence.

[At Marco's Place...]

He had been sleeping soundly in his apartment when he heard a loud banging on his door. The noise awakened him from his sleep. Marco got off his bed and cursed inwardly.

"What the heck? Someone is courting death!"

Marco stormed toward the door. He was ready to punch the person outside. However, he was slapped as soon as the door was opened. Veronica was glaring at him sharply. She started pounding his chest using both hands.

"How dare you?! I told you to kill Abigail... but I didn't tell you to kill Nathan! What did you do?!" Veronica was furious. She heard the news that Nathan and Abigail were hospitalized when Axel could the medical facility. He told them to prepare because Abigail and Nathan would be transferred to the medical facility the day after tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Marco just grabbed Veronica's hands, stopping her. "What the hell are you talking about, Veronica?" he feigned ignorance.

Chapter 438 She Wants To See Him

Day Fifty-One...

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Marco denied Veronica's accusation.

"I have nothing to do with this," Marco said with conviction.

However, Veronica didn't believe him. "If not you, then who targeted Abigail and Nathan yesterday?" She yanked her hands away from Marco.

"I don't know!" Marco feigned innocence. He knew how important Nathan was to Veronica. She would never let him hurt Nathan. Because of that, Marco's hatred and jealousy intensified further.

"If I find out that you have involvement with this incident... I swear... I will sever ties with you! Don't contact me ever again. Let's forget that we know each other!" Veronica threatened him.

"Don't you dare hurt Nathan, otherwise, I will kill you myself!" Veronica pushed him before turning around to leave. She stormed out.

Marco just stood in his spot, rubbing his cheek while watching Veronica's back. He clicked his tongue and shook his head helplessly. Only Veronica was treating him like this. If she was just another woman, Marco would never let her lay a finger on him. He kept receiving a slap from this woman.

"Damn it! I'm crazy for liking her." Marco smiled bitterly. When Veronica disappeared from his sight, Marco dialed someone's number. The registered name on his screen was Raven.

[At Stephen's Place...]

Stephen brought breakfast to Phantomflake's room. But the moment he entered the room, Jane was nowhere to be found. Stephen got worried because he didn't see Jane. He thought Jane already left his house. She hadn't regained her strength yet. She shouldn't leave the place.

Stephen put down the tray of food and stepped out of the room to search for Jane. He began looking for her in the garden area. When he didn't see her, Stephen headed to the CCTV control room.

Upon checking the CCTV footage around the house, he found out that Jane and Cherry were in the gym. Stephen heaved a sigh of relief after seeing her. The thought of Jane leaving without saying a word scared him to the core.

Stephen continued watching the two ladies for five minutes. He could tell that Jane was so determined to regain her strength and recover. She wanted to walk on her own. Cherry was helping her by massaging her muscles and practicing her walk in the middle of the two bars. Jane was using the two metal bars as her support to stand up and walk back and forth.

Jane was in a rush. She had a lot of things in mind... so many unsolved mysteries. And now, she had to start from scratch and win over Nathan's heart.

While Jane was trying her best to stand and exercise her legs to walk again, she was thinking about Bam-Bam's last statement.

'I want to kill that magical creature. How could he do this to me?' Jane still couldn't believe that she still had a mission to do related to Nathan. And her life depended on this mission... her so-called "survival".

Bam-Bam immediately fled after telling her the mission. Jane didn't get the chance to ask him further. The magical creature got scared by her dark expression so he fled away in an instant.

"Sis, I think you should rest. You haven't eaten breakfast yet. You have to take it easy. You are safe here. The Syphiruz Mafia won't find you here." Cherry convinced Jane to take a rest. "Yes. You should rest..." Stephen suddenly butted in. The two women were surprised by his sudden appearance.

When Jane met Stephen's gaze, he quickly put on a gentle smile. Cherry could only smile inwardly. She could sense that Stephen liked her sister, Jane, aka Phantomflake.

"Doc Stephen... Can you watch my sis for me? I will just prepare her breakfast and bring it here." Cherry wanted to give Stephen and Jane some privacy to talk. She didn't know if Jane's memory returned and she finally remembered Stephen.

Cherry was aware that Stephen erased Jane's memory. And she had a child. However, Cherry didn't know that Jane lost her child. If she could find a chance, she would try to ask if Jane could remember something about her past... most importantly, her child and her child's father.

"Cherry, I already prepared her breakfast. I left it in her room. You can take it and bring it here." Stephen informed her.

"Okay, Doc! Copy." Cherry waved at them.

Jane just focused on her steps, not wasting her time. She let Stephen watch her.

"Jane... can you remember me... now?" Stephen asked her anxiously. Deep inside, he was hoping to hear that Jane could finally remember him.

Jane halted on her step and glanced at Stephen. 'Shit! What should I tell him? I still don't have any recollection of him. But I will look very suspicious to him if I don't explain how I was able to recognize him because I searched for him as soon as I woke up.'

In the end, Jane bobbed her head. "I can remember some... but not everything. You were my psychologist before. That's all I could remember."

Stephen's eyes lit up when he heard that. He was glad that she could remember him. At the same time, he was grateful because Jane couldn't remember her tragic past.

"Jane... thanks for your help. We were able to save and rescue Nathan and Abigail. But I am curious. How did you know that they were in danger? You had just woken up from a coma?" Stephen began questioning her.

Jane bit her lower lip. She had to be cautious when answering this question. They might think she was crazy or had some illusions. Furthermore, the truth was very hard to believe. Even Black Rose didn't believe her.

"I don't have a scientific explanation... But all I can say is that... I had a vision. It's like a dream. I saw them in my dream," Jane lied with a straight face.

Stephen just stayed silent for a moment, observing her. He was a psychologist so he could tell that Jane was hiding something from him. She was not revealing the truth. But he would respect it. He didn't want her to feel uncomfortable in his presence because of his questioning.

"Okay. I understand. We owed you this... Jane." Stephen was so kind toward Jane. He was putting her well-being in consideration first before anything else.

"Steph... How's Nathan? And Abigail..." Jane could no longer hold her curiosity. Stephen was the one who stayed with Nathan and Abigail last night.

Stephen was taken aback for a moment. He didn't expect Jane to ask about Nathan. She was supposed to hate Nathan. Stephen recalled that Phantomflake knew Nathan's identity as the leader of the Syphiruz Mafia.

eαglesnovel "Why did you ask me to search for them? Aren't you angry with Nathan? I know you know his identity." Stephen was very direct, confronting Jane. He wanted to understand her and figure out why she chose to save her enemy.

While looking at her, Stephen didn't see any hint of hatred or anger in Jane's eyes. 'Why? Does she care about Nate? I thought... she hates him...'

Jane crumpled her face. It was so hard to avoid Stephen's questioning. 'Damn it! Stephen is a smart guy.'

"I don't hate him. In fact, I owed him... for keeping me alive," Jane said meaningfully.

Stephen just bobbed his head. Then his eyes became sullen. "Nate is not fine... another important person in his life got hurt."

Jane's heart clenched when she heard that. She could already imagine the devastation Nathan was feeling because of what happened to Abigail.

'I want to see him...' Jane chewed on her lips. She already missed Nathan.

"Steph, can I visit the hospital?"

Chapter 439 Ethan's Special Gift

Day Fifty-One...

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[At Xu Family Mansion...]

Ethan shut himself inside his room. He had no appetite to eat. He was just sulking in his bed, doing nothing.

Knock! Knock!

"Grandson... this is your grandpa. May I enter?" The old man couldn't leave his grandson because he was worried about him.

Ethan lazily got off the bed and decided to open the door. His bright expression was gone. His eyes were empty.

Old Man Xu felt heartbroken seeing his grandson acting like this.

"Ethan, what's wrong?" Old Man Xu held his shoulders and guided him to the bed. They both sat down, facing each other.

"My Mom is gone. I don't know where to find her." Ethan sniffed, trying to hold his tears.

"Whose Mom are you talking about?" Old Man Xu didn't know if Ethan was referring to Monica or Abigail.

Ethan grabbed the teddy bear he won in the carnival and hugged it tightly. This bear was representing Phantomflake.

"My Mom... Abi..." Ethan looked down, pursing his lips.

Old Man Xu heaved a deep sigh. He stroked his hair and said, "Don't worry, Ethan. Your Dad will do his best to help Abi recover. We can bring her abroad. Our medical facility is complete with medical equipment." Old Man Xu was comforting his grandson.

But his words didn't have any effect on Ethan. He shook his head. "My Mom is missing... she is not the one in the hospital. I will find her, Grandpa!" Ethan glanced at his grandpa with a hopeful look in his eyes.

Old Man Xu became more worried about Ethan. His words didn't make sense to him. Missing? Finding her? But Abigail was in the hospital.

"Let's go to the hospital, Ethan. Let's visit your father." Old Man Xu tried to convince him.

But Ethan refused to go with him. "Grandpa, I wanna go home." Ethan planned on asking his robotic friends Powy and Riemc to find Abigail (Phantomflake).

Unknown to everyone, Ethan had this extraordinary ability. He had a gift– seeing spirits, and supernatural beings. Ethan could hear and see Bam-Bam. And he could see Phantomflake's soul inside Abigail's body. The face he could see was Jane... not Abigail.

When Phantomflake's soul left Abigail's body, Ethan could no longer recognize Abigail. He was looking for Phantomflake... who was now back to her original body.

Only Ethan could recognize Phantomflake once he saw her.

"Are you sure? Don't you wanna visit your father in the hospital today?" Old Man Xu asked him again.

"I will visit them later, Grandpa. Let's drop by the house first." Ethan was referring to the Sparks Mansion.

Meanwhile, at the hospital, Stephen brought Jane with him. He couldn't refuse her request. At first, he thought she wanted to see Abigail. But little did he know, Aside from visiting Abigail, Jane would like to see Nathan to find out how he was doing.

"Where is Nathan's room?" Jane asked Stephen as they stopped in front of Abigail's ward. Stephen was assisting and supporting Jane while walking.

"The room next to this room," Stephen replied. He couldn't help but wonder why Jane kept on asking Nathan and searching for him.

Jane glanced at the closed door. She had the urge to go there and turn the doorknob to see Nathan.

"Jane... I think it's best for you not to see Nathan. His emotions are unstable right now. He is super stressed about the incident that happened to Abigail. As much as possible, you should avoid meeting him. He hasn't known yet that you are awake. I didn't tell him."

Jane had conflicting thoughts when she heard that. Part of her wanted to see Nathan and reveal to him that she was the other Abigail whom he had learned to love for the past few months. But she knew Nathan wouldn't believe her.

Jane just bobbed her head before they entered Abigail's VIP ward. When she entered the room and sat down on the chair, she asked Stephen to leave her for a moment.

Stephen also agreed because he planned to be a watchman outside the door. Who knows Nathan would suddenly enter Abigail's ward? Nathan shouldn't meet Jane inside.

When Stephen left, Jane watched Abigail closely. She grabbed her hand and her eyes scanned Abigail's body from top to bottom.

She felt sorry for Abigail. She had woken up but the real Abigail was put in a coma.

"Abi... since you are back to your body... I am hoping that you will be healthy. I owe you a lot... so I will do my best to protect you." Jane started talking to her.

"Dave is waiting for you. Once you wake up, I promise to fix things. I am sorry for making everything complicated... for you and Dave... for you and Nathan..." Jane pursed her lips. She didn't know how she would start again.

Nathan was now in love with Abigail. And he would be hurt if Abigail couldn't remember him.

Jane reached out, caressing Abigail's cheeks. Her expression softened as she thought of Abigail as her younger sister.

She was still in this emotional state when Bam-Bam appeared once more. Jane shot him a deathly glare.

"Why are you here again?" Jane sounded upset. She was angry at Bam-Bam.

Bam-Bam just smiled sheepishly, maintaining his distance from Jane.

"Master. Don't get mad at me. I'm trying my best to give you a second chance to live. Without my interference, you might have died a long time ago." Bam-Bam tried to justify his action.

Jane squinted her eyes at him and scowled at him. "Second chance? Then why do I have to die if I fail to win Nathan's over in the remaining 50 days?"

Bam-Bam scratched his face. "Master... Nathan's love will save you from your demise. Just trust me. I meant no harm to you."

Jane's frown deepened further when she heard that. "Bam-Bam, what do you want from me? Why are you doing this to me? And how about Abi? Why did she end up in a coma?"

"Master... Abi should have died after falling. How could someone survive a fall from the 13th floor of the building? She is in a coma because her body is not yet healed. As I told you before, your soul and life essence were the ones who helped her body recover little by little.

They were still talking when Jane and Bam-Bam heard Nathan's cold voice outside. The two gazed at the closed door.

"Stephen, get out of my way. Why are you stopping me from entering the room?" Nathan's angry voice was heard behind the door.

Jane and Bam-Bam exchanged glances with one another. Jane's heart started to pound rapidly upon hearing Nathan's voice. She was hoping to see him.

"Master! In your mission... you are not allowed to reveal that your soul was transferred to Abigail's body. You can't tell Nathan about it! That's the most important rule of your new mission." Bam-Bam warned her.

"What will happen if I try to tell him about our soul swap?" Abigail asked him expectantly.

"You will die instantly." Bam-Bam promptly responded.

"What the hell? Who made such a crazy rule?" Jane failed to control herself and accidentally raised her voice.

Nathan, Stephen, and Aiden heard her voice.

Chapter 440 Capturing Phantomflake

Day Fifty-One...

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Stephen's expression changed into a restless one when he heard Jane's voice. He looked at Nathan and Aiden. He could tell that the two also heard Jane's voice.

"Who is behind that door?" Nathan's firm voice echoed. He was glaring at Stephen sharply.

He was annoyed because Stephen stopped them from entering the room.

"Probably the nurse and doctor. They were checking her so they asked me to wait outside. Go back to your room, Nate. Let them finish their tasks first. They can't concentrate if you watch them. They will feel pressured in your presence." Stephen came up with an excuse, trying to convince Nathan to go back.

"Eh? Why do I feel like they are arguing inside Abigail's ward? Haven't you heard of it? The woman is shouting at someone. They are not supposed to fight inside the patient's ward!" Aiden butted in, unable to notice Stephen's sharp gaze.

Stephen had the urge to cut Aiden's tongue right now. He was giving him trouble. Because of Aiden's last remarks, Nathan had more reason to enter and check what was happening inside Abigail's ward.

"Stephen, move away. Let me pass through," Nathan said in his authoritative voice. The more Stephen refused the more Nathan became suspicious of him.

Nathan could no longer wait. He tried to stand with one leg, pushing Stephen using his left hand. Nathan had been grumpy and sensitive since yesterday.

Aiden immediately held Nathan's left shoulder, supporting him. Stephen wanted to stop him but it was too late. Nathan already twisted the doorknob, opening the door.

Nathan was shocked beyond belief upon recognizing the woman sitting next to Abigail's sick bed.

'What is she doing here? She is already awake? She regained consciousness...'

It did not take long before his shocked expression changed into anger and hatred. Nathan gnashed his teeth and shifted his gaze to Stephen. He felt betrayed at that certain moment. Stephen could only give him an apologetic look.

"Wait... Is that Phantomflake?" Aiden's voice broke the deafening silence. He was still clueless about the heavy tension surrounding them.

Meanwhile, Nathan's rage surged inside his heart upon seeing Phantomflake. She was the last person he wanted to see in this room.

Without saying a word, Nathan stepped forward, dragging his injured leg. He endured the pain of forcing his injured leg to make a step toward Phantomflake.

Jane just watched him inching closer and closer to her. She felt relieved seeing Nathan was safe. But the moment Nathan reached her spot, he immediately strangled her using his left hand. He grabbed her by her neck.

"What are you doing here?! Stay away from her!" Nathan lost his cool. He was reminded of the moment he lost Monica because of this woman.

Phantomflake killed Monica. That bad memory triggered Nathan, thinking that Phantomflake was there to take Abigail's life. Nathan had forgotten that Phantomflake and Abigail were acquaintances.

Jane felt suffocated and she was losing air. However, she didn't fight Nathan. She just let him strangle her to vent his anger and frustration. She was almost losing consciousness when Stephen intervened, pulling Nathan away from her.

"Cough! Cough!" Jane coughed and gasped for air while Stephen was dragging Nathan far away from her.

Aiden, on the other hand, froze in his spot. He was not able to react quickly. Everything happened so fast.

"Get. Her. Out. Of. Here!" Nathan yelled at Stephen. "Don't let her get near Abigail! She will kill every person important to me!" Nathan's eyes were bloodshot as he stared at Jane.

Jane felt her heart being crushed into pieces right now. Nathan thought she would hurt him and the important people around him.

'No, Nate. I won't do that... I will no longer hurt you. I will also protect the people close to you... especially Ethan...' Jane thought to herself. She felt like crying but she tried to hold her tears. Her heart sank because of the anger and hatred she could see in Nathan's eyes. They were all directed at her.

'He hates me so much...' Jane thought to herself, biting her lower lip as she looked away. She couldn't bear to see the hatred in Nathan's eyes. She was hurting inside.

As Stephen continued to separate Nathan from Phantomflake, Nathan threw a punch, hitting Stephen's jaw. "You betrayed me, Steph. How could you do this to me."

"Hey. Stop this already! How can you fight and argue in front of Abigail!" Aiden also approached the two men. He didn't want to take sides. Both of them were his best friends.

"Stephen, just leave... together with her." Aiden held Nathan for support and motioned Stephen to leave together with Phantomflake.

Stephen traced his steps toward Phantomflake, assisting her to stand up. Then he guided her out of the room, not looking back.

"Nate, calm down. You should listen to Stephen. I think Phantomflake came here to see her friend, Abigail. They know each other. She wouldn't hurt her." Aiden reminded Nathan as he tried to calm him down.

"Give me your phone," Nathan coldly said, ignoring Aiden's words.

Aiden could only sigh before handing his phone over to Nathan. Nathan immediately called Spider. He commanded him to capture Phantomflake and bring her to the headquarters. He didn't care if Stephen would get in his way. He should imprison Phantomflake and make her talk.

"If he will dare stop you from taking her away, I'm giving you permission to use force." Nathan gave his command.

"Okay, Supreme Leader. We got it. We will move now," Spider responded.

A few minutes later...

Stephen had just arrived at his place when Spider and his group surrounded them. Stephen stepped out of the car and he instructed Jane to stay inside and locked the car door.

"Doc Stephen, hand her over to us," Spider spoke up. "This is our Leader's order. You have to cooperate with us if you don't want to get hurt."

"No. I won't allow you to take my patient," Stephen firmly said.

Spider glanced at his men, motioning for them to attack Stephen. Three men charged forward, attacking Stephen while the other men tried to open the car door to capture Phantomflake.

Stephen showed them his fighting skills. He wouldn't give up easily. He would protect Jane even if it means opposing Nathan's order. Stephen was fighting a group of men. One vs Five.

Hearing the chaos outside, Cherry also showed up along with Stephen's guards. Cherry and the two guards helped Stephen fight Spider and his men. Cherry didn't know why those men were targeting Stephen and Jane. She wasn't aware that Spider and his group were from Syphiruz.

When Spider could no longer match Stephen, he resorted to using a weapon. He picked up his gun and pointed his gun to the easy targets— the bodyguards.

"Stop resisting, or I'll shoot them!" Spider threatened them, making Stephen and Cherry stop fighting.

Before Cherry and Stephen could make a move to rescue the guard, the car door was pushed open and Phantomflake alighted from the car.

"Put your gun down. I'm coming with you. Just don't hurt them."

"Sis, No!" Cherry objected. She couldn't let these men take Phantomflake away.

Stephen also shook his head. He didn't know what Nathan would do to Jane. They might torture her. She was still recuperating.

But Jane just gave them a reassuring smile. "Don't worry. Nothing bad will happen to me. I have to fix things." Jane decided to go with Spider willingly. She didn't want to ruin the friendship of Nathan and Stephen.

"I will come with you! If you will take her away, then take me with you!" Cherry yelled at Spider.

But Jane's expression changed. "Don't be stubborn, Cherry. Listen to me. This is my order." Then she glanced at Stephen. "Let me do this, Stephen. Don't interfere."

Cherry and Stephen exchanged glances with one another. They were reluctant to obey her. But they could see in Jane's face her determination. She wasn't afraid.

Spider ordered his men to hold Phantomflake, bringing her to their car. Stephen and Cherry stood there while clenching their fists.

"Who are these people, Doc Stephen?" Cherry asked him, watching Spider with her bloodshot eyes.

Stephen exhaled sharply. "They are Nathan's men."

Cherry was taken aback when she heard that. "Why are they taking my sis?"

Stephen fell silent for a moment. He couldn't let Cherry know that Nathan was the Supreme Leader of the Syphiruz Mafia. "I don't know. I'll talk to Nathan."