

A Life Debt Repaid

Chapter 23

Noel checked the time, but it was only 3 PM. “In another couple hours.”
“Can’t you leave early?” Mandy Jessop was clearly upset. “I’d like you to go shopping with me.”

Noel appeared slightly hesitant.

In the past, she could just leave work without a word since her father would not say a thing.

But now, Cordy had taken control, and Noel was worried she would notice and use it as an excuse to harass her.

Even so, she had even less reason to upset Mandy. If she wanted to marry Kyle without issue, she certainly needed his sister’s favor

After weighing her options, Noel agreed to it anyway. “I’ll be right there.

Where are we going?”

“Radiant Global.”

“Be there in twenty minutes.”

Hanging up, Noel drove to the mall.

Meanwhile, Cordy was drafting a design in her office when her phone rang too.

She gave it a casual glance but eventually put away the draft and answered it. “Mr. Levine.”

“When will you call me something else?” That familiar voice was ever deep and magnetic.

“Why would you like me to call you? Levine? John? Or do you have some nickname I don’t know about?”

John did not expect her to be so agreeable. He spaced out for a moment before he chuckled. “The way you say all that almost makes no difference, except...”

“Except what?”

“Darling.”

His tone was calm and mesmerizing.

While Cordy was speechless, he said, “It’s alright. Take your time.”

As if he did not mind.

Cordy was pursing her lips—he was certainly thick-skinned.

Ignoring his flirting, she asked directly, "How can I help you today?"

"Are you free right now?"

"No."

"Dicky is looking for you."

"Look, Mr Levine..."

"Have you forgotten about the 17th?"

"It's just the 15th," Cordy said, even checking the calendar as she replied.

"The 17th is an important event, and everyone attending should dress grandly for the occasion. If it's

convenient for you, please help me get Dicky a tuxedo and try have an international teleconference"

He took a pause after saying all that, and added, "Walter would be driving Dicky over to you. They'll be arriving soon if there are no delays. I'm counting on you."

Having sent Dicky over without giving her a chance to say no, he hung up after telling her everything.

Cordy took a deep breath and maintained her composure.

She saved her draft, turned off her computer, and picked up her handbag to leave her office.

She had just arrived downstairs when she saw Walter's car waiting at the front entrance.

Richard Levine's little face was basically pasted against the car window, his round eyes lighting up with excitement when she saw her arrive.

"Mommy!"

The crisp, tender voice was genuinely a remedy for the soul.

Cordy could not resist hurrying to the car

Fine!

While she disliked John's overbearing nature, she missed Richard since it had been half a month since she saw the boy.

They soon arrived at Radiant Globe, the premier mall in North City.

Cordy held Dicky's little hand and made a beeline for the boutique.

However, they immediately ran into Noel and Mandy the instant they arrived, who were chatting and picking expensive dresses with the store assistant's introductions

"I thought you didn't like John Levine. Why would you dress so grandly for his grandfather's birthday?" Noel teased Mandy on purpose.

"Why would I dress up for him? I'm just dressing up for myself!" Mandy said smugly. "And turn every head at the banquet while I do."

“You’re beautiful, and your figure is stunning. Everyone would definitely be watching...”

Before Noel could finish flattering Mandy, she turned and noticed Cordy holding a little boy’s hand and speaking calmly with a store assistant, as if not noticing their presence.