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Her Good Qualities Jack's gaze gradually darkened as he stared at their leaving figures from behind. Their current relationship is genuinely baffling me. I can see that Lucian inclines to win Roxanne back, but I cannot figure out her stance. Complicated emotions surged within Jack when he was reminded of Roxanne's appearance as she stood under the lights earlier. She's clueless about my feelings.

Along the way, Lucian wrapped his hand around Roxanne's wrist tightly. He exerted a great force on her wrist and caused her to be in pain. "Let go of me!" She tried to break free of his grip, but her futile attempt merely prompted him to grab her more closely and firmly. Lucian decided never to let go of her hand anymore because when he had done so earlier, Roxanne almost approached another man. She had no choice but to give up after a few times of struggling in vain and having her complaints disregarded by Lucian the whole time. As a result, she allowed him to drag her along to the roadside. The driver had already driven the car over. The driver got out of the vehicle when he saw them walking toward the car.

Then, he politely opened the door to the backseat and waited for Lucian and Roxanne to get into the car. Roxanne hesitated, looking at the opened car door. Although the vehicle's backseat was very spacious, she still thought she would be too close to Lucian if they sat together in the backseat. However, before she could come up with an excuse to refuse, Lucian had already placed his hands on her shoulder authoritatively and ushered her into the car. By the time she registered what had happened, she heard the sound of the car door closing. The driver swiftly returned to the driver's seat. Lucian told the driver Roxanne's address.

Then, the car began to move and was soon heading in her house's direction in no time. Throughout the ride, dead silence filled the air inside the car. Roxanne thought he would say something, but unexpectedly, he remained quiet even after a long while. She let out a sigh of relief inwardly. I can live with this. Since he's quiet, I don't have to worry about him spouting nonsensical words. A wave of drowsiness washed over her right after she put down her guard. The temperature inside the vehicle was optimal, and the car's interior was noiseless. In addition to being under the influence of the alcohol she had drunk earlier, Roxanne could not help but begin dozing off under such a conducive ambiance. She dug her fingers into her palms to force herself to stay awake, but that method was ineffective.

Soon, she fell asleep without realizing it. Even though the driver had tried his best to keep the ride steady, there were still some unavoidable bumps on the road.

Amidst her grogginess, Roxanne knocked her head against the car window and reflexively tilted her body sideways, causing her head to drop to Lucian's side. Sitting next to her, Lucian noticed her movements for some time, but he simply stayed silent. Lucian's anger, provoked by Roxanne's multiple refusals to his offer and her decision to walk up to the other two guys, had yet to dissipate. Therefore, he was afraid of uttering any words he might regret if he spoke at that moment. He frowned slightly when he saw Roxanne shifting her body weight to the other side due to her uncomfortable sleeping posture. Judging by how her face flushed after she dozed off, she probably consumed alcohol.

The sight of her appearance jogged his mind, causing the scene at the hotel the other night to resurface in his mind for a moment. That night, she was caught up in a similar drunken, drowsy state, questioning him in a mumble about why he had failed to notice her good qualities. Lucian felt a little heavy-hearted as he recalled the incident that night. Ultimately, he could not stop himself from reaching out and pulling her into his arms so that she could rest more comfortably. He didn't know if his accidentally exaggerated motion had startled her because, to his surprise, Roxanne, who had been sleeping soundly moments ago, suddenly woke up in a daze. Sensing her movements in his embrace, Lucian knitted his brows slightly and instinctively stopped moving.

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"Mommy, is Essie not coming today?" Those words confused Roxanne even more. She could not understand why they would suddenly bring Estella up. "It's late. Essie should be sleeping already." Archie and Benny tilted their heads in puzzlement. "But wasn't it Mr. Farwell who sent you home just now? Didn't Essie

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I wonder if they noticed the tension between Lucian and me. Did they sense anything weird? Roxanne studied their expressions for a while. Realizing they were only focused on looking for Estella, the former sighed with relief and forced a smile. "Mr. Farwell and I met at work. Just like you two, Essie is also waiting for Mr. Farwell at home." The children nodded in understanding and started asking Roxanne about her day. Roxanne was so overwhelmed by her thoughts that she briefly answered the children and urged them to return to their beds before retiring to her room to wash up. While she was washing up, Lucian's words during the car ride echoed in her mind. They filled her heart with complex feelings and even slowed her down in everything she did. By the time she stepped out of the bathroom, an hour had passed. Suddenly, her phone that was on the table lit up.

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"Then, what? Spit it out. There's nothing we can't tell one another."

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Madilyn know nothing of the recent events that happened between Roxanne and Lucian.

However, judging by Roxanne's expression, Madilyn knew the relationship was the very reason the former was fccling troubled.

After several seconds of silence, Madilyn suggested seriously, "If that's the case, why don't you... think about it? Why don't you try dating him?"

Madilyn was, after all, not Roxanne herself. Hence, it was easier for her to accept the fact that Lucian had feelings for Roxanne compared to the latter.

Ever since Roxanne returned, Madilyn had witnessed the former and Lucian together several times. She had to admit that the duo looked good together.

If Lucian truly had a change of heart and wanted to make up for the mistakes he made six years ago, Madilyn did not mind letting her best friend give Lucian a go.

Besides, she could tell Roxanne could not refuse Lucian because of the bond he had with the children.

If that's the case, she might as well give him that he wants and try dating him. They can just break up if they really don'have feelings for each other. At least they tried it out.

of course, Roxanne did not know what was on Madilyn's mind. Therefore, a look of panic appeared on her face the second she heard Madilyn say that.

Meanwhile, Madilyn was too focused on weighing the pros and cons of their relationship that she barely noticed her best friend's expression.

After mulling it over, Madilyn palled Roxanne on the shoulder, saying solemnly. "I mean it. If Mr. Farwell has changed his mind and wants to pursue you, you don't have to shut him out because of what happened six years ago. You can still consider dating him."

Her words caused Roxanne's frown to deepen.

Madilyn was about to continue when she suddenly remembered the two boys beside her. She turned to them and waved dismissively. "Go ahead and play on your own for a while. I have something important to discuss with your mommy."

Seeing the mysterious look on her face, the boys nodded innocently. Deep down, they knew Madilyn was going to talk to Roxanne about Lucian,

When the boys were out of their sight, Mucilyn findly turned her head and continued. "If Mr. Farwell is sincere about his feelings, I don't see why you can't give him a chance. Besides, you dont have anyone you like at the moment, and he's the biological father of the two kids. Who knows? You might find yourself a raccolto him once you dale liim. If it really doesn't work out, you can just break up with him. Ii's not a big deal, anyway."

Upon hearing her justification, Roxanne pondered for a moment before voicing her concern. "But how would I know if he's sincere about it? Also, he already has a fiance, and she's Aubree."

Hearing that, Madilyn frowned, looking more serious. "If you give him a chance and get to know him gradually. I'm sure you'll find out if he's being sincere or not. As for Aubree..."

Madilyn sounded hesitant at the mention of Aubree's name.

After all, she knew how Lucian treated Aubree back then.

As an outsider to the situation, she would not believe Lucian could give up on Aubree so easily.

Still...

Madilyn kept quiet for a moment before reluctantly littering. Although I can't accept how he treated you six years ago, it also proved that he wouldnt let someone he loves feel aggrieved. So, if he really likes you, he'll definitely explain things to Aubrec."

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After giving her advice, Madilyn suddenly asked, "So? Was I right? Is Lucian really pursuing you?"

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She was so focused on forgetting Lucian's existence that she did not expect him to watch her every move. In fact, he even came over to help her as soon as she finished cooking.

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Roxanne looked confused when she saw Estella sitting down beside her. "Have you not had your breakfast, Essie?"

Estella nodded innocently. "Daddy says we're going out to have breakfast together."

Roxanne was taken aback by her words.

It was too late for Lucian to stop Estella from speaking by the time he realized she was going to sell him out. In the end, he could only frown and avoid Roxanne's gaze, pretending as if nothing had happened.

Meanwhile, realization finally dawned on Roxanne. So, Lucian has planned out the schedule for today without informing me about it. No wonder he broke his promise and brought Estella here to pick us up. But it looks like I've accidentally ruined his plan.

For a moment, Roxanne did not know what to say to lighten the awkward atmosphere.

Oblivious to the awkwardness between the adults, Estella took a bite of Roxanne's cooking and said happily, "Mm! Ms. Jarvis' cooking is the best!"

## **Chapter 662 Look Intimate**

Estella's voice brought Roxanne back to reality. Roxanne felt strangely guilty as she glanced at Lucian, who was still standing at the corner. She hesitated for a while before saying softly, "Come and join us, Mr. Farwell. You haven't had your breakfast, too, right?"

Lucian frowned, but he still took a seat beside the children. The truth was, he had planned out the schedule for the day. He did not expect Roxanne to go straight into the kitchen before he could inform her about it.

The atmosphere at the breakfast table was the same as usual. Roxanne and the children enjoyed themselves happily while Lucian sat quietly in his seat, Enter title...

looking extremely out of place.

When they finished their breakfast, it was still too early to go to the concert.

Hence, Roxanne played with the children at home the entire morning.

Soon, noon arrived. Lucian suggested taking them out for lunch, to which Roxanne agreed, despite recalling the misunderstanding from that morning.

As they exited the house, Roxanne thought of driving herself—including the boys—to the lunch location. However, the moment she met Estella's gaze, her heart softened, and she instructed the boys to enter Lucian's car.

She took the passenger seat while the children happily sat in the back as they discussed the concert that was happening that night with great excitement. As she listened to their discussion, she felt much more relaxed, and a smile

appeared on her face.

Lucian's gaze softened as well when he saw the smiles on Roxanne's and the children's faces.

The restaurant Lucian had made a reservation in was located on the busiest road in the city center, which was quite far from Roxanne's house.

It took them some time to arrive near the mall and park the car.

By the time they arrived at the restaurant's entrance, it was already the peak hour for lunch.

Thankfully, Lucian had made a reservation beforehand, so they did not have to waste time queueing up.

The waiter led all five of them to a table by the window.

In the meantime, someone was watching them with eyes wide open in the corner of the restaurant.

"Frieda? What's wrong? What are you looking at?" Hasso Levandi asked the person in front of him, perplexed.

The restaurant was well known among the rich in Horington, but not everyone was able to get in. In fact, other people, apart from the few prestigious families, did not even have the right to make a reservation there.

Though Hasso's family was wealthy, they were merely a family that had recently made a fortune. They were nowhere near the rich's social circle.

That day, Frieda suddenly requested to have a meal at that restaurant. In order to not disappoint her, Hasso had queued up early in the morning to get a table. Just as the meal was going well, Frieda suddenly seemed distracted and began staring at the table beside the window.

Hasso could not understand what was going on.

Regardless, Frieda did not seem to hear him. She kept her eyes fixed on the group of five who were sitting by the window.

This b\*tch. Didn't Sonya and Aubree teach Roxanne a lesson already? How dare she share a table with Lucian and Essie? And why do they look so intimate?

Sensing Frieda's displeasure, Hasso followed her gaze in puzzlement, only to find the quintet, which left him even more confused.

His family had just become wealthy, so he barely knew much about the rich. As the family's second heir, who was new to all that, he had no clue who Lucian was. When he gazed at the quintet, he only thought of them as an attractive and harmonious family.

He did not know why Frieda was glaring at them so fiercely.

# **Chapter 663 New Clothes For Estella**

"Frieda, do you know them?" Hasso couldn't help but ask. Frieda slowly returned to her senses and glanced at him with furrowed eyebrows. The disdain

in her eyes swiftly faded. "There's bad blood between me and that woman." "What did she do to you?" Hasso asked, confused. Frieda pursed her lips and put on an angry look. "She stole my friend's man. I can't stand that."

Hasso was momentarily stunned when he saw his goddess getting angry. He then stood up and assumed a posture as though he was going to help her get revenge. "I'll teach that woman a lesson!"

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Frieda couldn't help but roll her eyes. Quickly schooling her emotions, she gently kicked his leg under the table. "Sit down! Don't act so rashly. It'll be embarrassing if you make a scene!"

Because she kicked him very lightly, he thought she was flirting with him. He sat back down obediently and asked, "What do you plan to do, then? I'll do whatever you ask!"

Frieda smiled. "Let's follow them and see what they're up to."

Hasso agreed without hesitation.

Roxanne and the others knew nothing about the duo's existence.

After lunch, there was still some time before the concert started. Roxanne had wanted to bring the children to have fun somewhere. To her surprise, Lucian suggested taking them to the mall.

Roxanne asked hesitatingly, "Is there anything you need to buy?"

In her opinion, shopping in a mall together like that was basically something only a family would do.

She was worried that outsiders might misunderstand, especially when they were bringing three children along.

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## **Chapter 664 Matching Dresses**

Roxanne did not really buy any new clothes for the children after returning to the country. The clothes that they had were basically bought by Madilyn.

Lucian was even less experienced in buying clothes for children. Looking at the various stores in the children's clothing section and feeling somewhat overwhelmed, he simply let the children choose what they wanted.

"Ms. Jarvis!" Estella suddenly tugged on Roxanne's sleeve. Perplexed, Roxanne trailed the girl's line of sight and saw a store with simple decorations. Many of the clothes inside the store were sets of adult and children's clothing. Enter title...

Clearly, the store was selling matching outfits. Because they were in a high-end mall, a lot of the matching outfits inside were formal clothing.

It was the first time Estella had seen similar-looking clothing for adults and children. She was very excited about the prospect of wearing matching dresses with Roxanne. Roxanne, however, was a little hesitant.

She could more or less guess what the girl was thinking. However, she was already making a big concession to help pick the girl's clothes. If she were to wear matching outfits with the girl, people would undoubtedly misunderstand their relationship.

"You're a good girl, Essie. How about we look at other stores?" She leaned over and tried to divert Estella's attention.

However, Estella refused to move her gaze away from that store. Her watery eyes were filled with hope.

It was also the first time Archie and Benny had seen that type of clothing. They

glanced at Lucian with slight anticipation, but they didn't have the courage to say it.

Seeing that the children refused to move, Roxanne looked at Lucian helplessly to seek his help.

Their eyes met for a short moment before he averted his gaze. Clearly, he wanted her to take care of the mess.

Roxanne's head was starting to hurt.

Before she could say anything, Estella had already pulled her sleeve and led her to the shop.

With no other choice, Roxanne followed the girl inside. I hope she doesn't make any outrageous requests.

"Welcome!" The employee had been watching them for a long time. Her eyes were filled with excitement when she saw them finally entering the shop.

They were the most good-looking family she had met ever since she started working there. If I can get their approval to take a photo of them together later and hang that picture at the entrance of the shop, our sales will undoubtedly soar!

At the thought of this, the employee became more and more welcoming toward them.

"You kids are so adorable! What type of clothes do you like? I can help you all try them out," the employee offered as she smiled at the children.

The children were dazzled by the many choices available, as it was their first time picking out clothing for themselves.

Roxanne had wanted to pick the clothes for the children. However, when she thought about how the shop only sold matching outfits, her mind was abuzz with chaos and she lost the mood to shop. She could only leave the children to look around on their own.

Suddenly, Estella tugged her sleeve again.

Upon returning to her senses, Roxanne followed Estella's line of sight, her nerves stretched taut.

She saw two dresses in front of them. One was a simple fishtail dress, its shoulder straps and hem of the skirt decorated with small diamonds. It looked simple and had an unobtrusive design. The other was a pure white princess dress that came in a smaller size. The hem of the skirt was embellished with pearls, making it look much more charming and adorable.

While there were differences between the two dresses, their overall style was similar enough that people would know that those two belonged to a matching set at a glance.

Estella looked at the dresses, then at Roxanne with anticipation written all over her face

#### **Chapter 665 Watch What You Say**

Roxanne furrowed her eyebrows slightly. She was about to explain to Estella that matching outfits were meant to be worn with her daddy and mommy when the employee beat her to it.

"You have such a good eye, little girl! This set of matching dresses really fits you and your mommy!" Roxanne was stunned. She glanced at Estella before shifting her gaze to the employee, wanting to deny that statement.

To her surprise, before she could speak, the girl was already hugging her arm. The latter even called out sweetly, "Mommy!" For a moment, Roxanne didn't know how to respond.

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Estella, on the other hand, was filled with anticipation. Daddy said he'll make Ms. Jarvis my mommy. It should be fine if I call her Mommy right now! Roxanne was stunned for a long time. When she recollected herself, she turned to look at Lucian and wondered how he would react.

Lucian loves Essie very much, so I bet her real mommy probably holds a very important spot in his heart. He'll probably correct Essie's mistake soon.

Lucian furrowed his brows when his eyes met hers. After staying silent for a few seconds, he approached Estella expressionlessly and looked down at her from above. "Watch what you say, Essie."

Estella didn't expect her attempt at helping her father chase after Roxanne would cause her to be reprimanded.

"No! I want Ms. Jarvis to be my mommy," Estella, her eyes red, mumbled aggrievedly, upon hearing his stern tone and gave him an accusing look. "You said—"

Seeing that he was going to be sold out by his own daughter again, Lucian said in a deeper voice, "Don't trouble Ms. Jarvis, Estella. If you like the dress, I can buy it for you."

The employee standing at the side didn't expect their relationship to be that complicated. "Sir, our clothes are sold in sets..."

Lucian glanced at Roxanne and uttered, "Then bag these two dresses."

Of course, Estella knew what her father meant. He was going to buy both dresses, but she would only wear the princess dress.

Realizing that, she became even more aggrieved and angry. "No! I don't want it anymore!"

She wanted to wear the matching dress with Roxanne.

Lucian frowned as he stared at Estella, who was throwing a tantrum.

At that moment, the atmosphere between the father and daughter became very tense.

Roxanne's heart ached as she took in Estella's reddened eyes and the way

Lucian educated the child.

In order to comfort the girl, she leaned down, looked into her eyes, and asked, "You want me to wear the matching dresses with you, right, Essie?" Estella sniffled and nodded vigorously.

Roxanne suppressed the strange emotion in her heart and smiled. "Okay. Let's go and try out the dresses."

With that, she got up and grabbed the dresses from the employee's hands. Estella's eyes slowly lit up when she heard that. After shooting her father a furious look, she turned away and entered the fitting room while holding Roxanne's hand.

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Estella nodded innocently. "Daddy says we're going out to have breakfast together."

Roxanne was taken aback by her words.

It was too late for Lucian to stop Estella from speaking by the time he realized she was going to sell him out. In the end, he could only frown and avoid Roxanne's gaze, pretending as if nothing had happened.

Meanwhile, realization finally dawned on Roxanne. So, Lucian has planned out

the schedule for today without informing me about it. No wonder he broke his promise and brought Estella here to pick us up. But it looks like I've accidentally ruined his plan.

For a moment, Roxanne did not know what to say to lighten the awkward atmosphere.

Oblivious to the awkwardness between the adults, Estella took a bite of Roxanne's cooking and said happily, "Mm! Ms. Jarvis' cooking is the best!"

## **Chapter 662 Look Intimate**

Estella's voice brought Roxanne back to reality. Roxanne felt strangely guilty as she glanced at Lucian, who was still standing at the corner. She hesitated for a while before saying softly, "Come and join us, Mr. Farwell. You haven't had your breakfast, too, right?"

Lucian frowned, but he still took a seat beside the children. The truth was, he had planned out the schedule for the day. He did not expect Roxanne to go straight into the kitchen before he could inform her about it.

The atmosphere at the breakfast table was the same as usual. Roxanne and the children enjoyed themselves happily while Lucian sat quietly in his seat, Enter title...

looking extremely out of place.

When they finished their breakfast, it was still too early to go to the concert.

Hence, Roxanne played with the children at home the entire morning.

Soon, noon arrived. Lucian suggested taking them out for lunch, to which Roxanne agreed, despite recalling the misunderstanding from that morning.

As they exited the house, Roxanne thought of driving herself—including the boys—to the lunch location. However, the moment she met Estella's gaze, her heart softened, and she instructed the boys to enter Lucian's car.

She took the passenger seat while the children happily sat in the back as they discussed the concert that was happening that night with great excitement.

As she listened to their discussion, she felt much more relaxed, and a smile appeared on her face.

Lucian's gaze softened as well when he saw the smiles on Roxanne's and the children's faces.

The restaurant Lucian had made a reservation in was located on the busiest road in the city center, which was quite far from Roxanne's house.

It took them some time to arrive near the mall and park the car.

By the time they arrived at the restaurant's entrance, it was already the peak hour for lunch.

Thankfully, Lucian had made a reservation beforehand, so they did not have to waste time queueing up.

The waiter led all five of them to a table by the window.

In the meantime, someone was watching them with eyes wide open in the corner of the restaurant.

"Frieda? What's wrong? What are you looking at?" Hasso Levandi asked the person in front of him, perplexed.

The restaurant was well known among the rich in Horington, but not everyone was able to get in. In fact, other people, apart from the few prestigious families, did not even have the right to make a reservation there.

Though Hasso's family was wealthy, they were merely a family that had recently made a fortune. They were nowhere near the rich's social circle.

That day, Frieda suddenly requested to have a meal at that restaurant. In order to not disappoint her, Hasso had queued up early in the morning to get a table. Just as the meal was going well, Frieda suddenly seemed distracted and began staring at the table beside the window.

Hasso could not understand what was going on.

Regardless, Frieda did not seem to hear him. She kept her eyes fixed on the group of five who were sitting by the window.

This b\*tch. Didn't Sonya and Aubree teach Roxanne a lesson already? How dare she share a table with Lucian and Essie? And why do they look so intimate?

Sensing Frieda's displeasure, Hasso followed her gaze in puzzlement, only to find the quintet, which left him even more confused.

His family had just become wealthy, so he barely knew much about the rich. As the family's second heir, who was new to all that, he had no clue who Lucian was. When he gazed at the quintet, he only thought of them as an attractive and harmonious family.

He did not know why Frieda was glaring at them so fiercely.

# **Chapter 663 New Clothes For Estella**

"Frieda, do you know them?" Hasso couldn't help but ask. Frieda slowly returned to her senses and glanced at him with furrowed eyebrows. The disdain in her eyes swiftly faded. "There's bad blood between me and that woman." "What did she do to you?" Hasso asked, confused. Frieda pursed her lips and put on an angry look. "She stole my friend's man. I can't stand that." Hasso was momentarily stunned when he saw his goddess getting angry. He then stood up and assumed a posture as though he was going to help her get revenge. "I'll teach that woman a lesson!"

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Frieda couldn't help but roll her eyes. Quickly schooling her emotions, she gently kicked his leg under the table. "Sit down! Don't act so rashly. It'll be

embarrassing if you make a scene!"

Because she kicked him very lightly, he thought she was flirting with him. He sat back down obediently and asked, "What do you plan to do, then? I'll do whatever you ask!"

Frieda smiled. "Let's follow them and see what they're up to."

Hasso agreed without hesitation.

Roxanne and the others knew nothing about the duo's existence.

After lunch, there was still some time before the concert started. Roxanne had wanted to bring the children to have fun somewhere. To her surprise, Lucian suggested taking them to the mall.

Roxanne asked hesitatingly, "Is there anything you need to buy?"

In her opinion, shopping in a mall together like that was basically something only a family would do.

She was worried that outsiders might misunderstand, especially when they were bringing three children along.

Lucian glanced at Estella, who was sitting next to Roxanne, and said, "It's been a while since I've bought Essie new clothes. I don't know what girls like to wear, and since we have time today, I'm hoping you'll be able to help, Ms. Jarvis."

When Estella heard that, she promptly nodded as she looked at Roxanne expectantly.

Her grandmother had always been the one buying clothes for her. She wanted to wear the clothes that Roxanne picked out for her.

Roxanne's heart softened when she saw the pitiful look in the girl's eyes, and so she nodded in agreement.

With that, all of them left the restaurant and went straight to the mall next door. Meanwhile, Frieda, who only had a few mouthfuls of her food, stood up with the intention of following them when she saw them leave.

"Frieda, there's still so much food left," Hasso called out to her in distress as he looked at the table full of food.

Annoyance flashed past Frieda's eyes. She turned around and reproached,

"They're gone! If you want to eat, we can come back here next time!"

Hasso's heart ached for the wasted food, but he still went along with his goddess and followed her.

The two followed them from a distance. When Frieda saw them entering the children's clothing section in the mall, she unwillingly stopped in her tracks, then pulled Hasso to the nearby women's clothing section, knowing that they would stand out too much and easily get caught.

"Hello, Miss. What type of clothes do you like?" An employee promptly arrived in front of them.

Frieda was bent on keeping an eye on Roxanne and the others. So, when she

heard that, she swept her gaze past the clothes, picked a few expensive ones, told the employee her size, and asked the employee to bag them up. At the side, Hasso felt immense pain when he saw her splurge like that. However, he liked her pretty face very much, and he wanted to climb the social ladder through her, so he had no choice but to endure the pain and pay for her clothes

#### **Chapter 664 Matching Dresses**

Roxanne did not really buy any new clothes for the children after returning to the country. The clothes that they had were basically bought by Madilyn.

Lucian was even less experienced in buying clothes for children. Looking at the various stores in the children's clothing section and feeling somewhat overwhelmed, he simply let the children choose what they wanted.

"Ms. Jarvis!" Estella suddenly tugged on Roxanne's sleeve. Perplexed, Roxanne trailed the girl's line of sight and saw a store with simple decorations. Many of the clothes inside the store were sets of adult and children's clothing. Enter title...

Clearly, the store was selling matching outfits. Because they were in a high-end mall, a lot of the matching outfits inside were formal clothing.

It was the first time Estella had seen similar-looking clothing for adults and children. She was very excited about the prospect of wearing matching dresses with Roxanne. Roxanne, however, was a little hesitant.

She could more or less guess what the girl was thinking. However, she was already making a big concession to help pick the girl's clothes. If she were to wear matching outfits with the girl, people would undoubtedly misunderstand their relationship.

"You're a good girl, Essie. How about we look at other stores?" She leaned over and tried to divert Estella's attention.

However, Estella refused to move her gaze away from that store. Her watery eyes were filled with hope.

It was also the first time Archie and Benny had seen that type of clothing. They glanced at Lucian with slight anticipation, but they didn't have the courage to say it.

Seeing that the children refused to move, Roxanne looked at Lucian helplessly to seek his help.

Their eyes met for a short moment before he averted his gaze. Clearly, he wanted her to take care of the mess.

Roxanne's head was starting to hurt.

Before she could say anything, Estella had already pulled her sleeve and led her to the shop.

With no other choice, Roxanne followed the girl inside. I hope she doesn't make any outrageous requests.

"Welcome!" The employee had been watching them for a long time. Her eyes were filled with excitement when she saw them finally entering the shop. They were the most good-looking family she had met ever since she started working there. If I can get their approval to take a photo of them together later and hang that picture at the entrance of the shop, our sales will undoubtedly soar!

At the thought of this, the employee became more and more welcoming toward them.

"You kids are so adorable! What type of clothes do you like? I can help you all try them out," the employee offered as she smiled at the children.

The children were dazzled by the many choices available, as it was their first time picking out clothing for themselves.

Roxanne had wanted to pick the clothes for the children. However, when she thought about how the shop only sold matching outfits, her mind was abuzz with chaos and she lost the mood to shop. She could only leave the children to look around on their own.

Suddenly, Estella tugged her sleeve again.

Upon returning to her senses, Roxanne followed Estella's line of sight, her nerves stretched taut.

She saw two dresses in front of them. One was a simple fishtail dress, its shoulder straps and hem of the skirt decorated with small diamonds. It looked simple and had an unobtrusive design. The other was a pure white princess dress that came in a smaller size. The hem of the skirt was embellished with pearls, making it look much more charming and adorable.

While there were differences between the two dresses, their overall style was similar enough that people would know that those two belonged to a matching set at a glance.

Estella looked at the dresses, then at Roxanne with anticipation written all over her face

# **Chapter 665 Watch What You Say**

Roxanne furrowed her eyebrows slightly. She was about to explain to Estella that matching outfits were meant to be worn with her daddy and mommy when the employee beat her to it.

"You have such a good eye, little girl! This set of matching dresses really fits you and your mommy!" Roxanne was stunned. She glanced at Estella before shifting her gaze to the employee, wanting to deny that statement.

To her surprise, before she could speak, the girl was already hugging her arm.

The latter even called out sweetly, "Mommy!" For a moment, Roxanne didn't know how to respond.

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Estella, on the other hand, was filled with anticipation. Daddy said he'll make Ms. Jarvis my mommy. It should be fine if I call her Mommy right now!

Roxanne was stunned for a long time. When she recollected herself, she turned to look at Lucian and wondered how he would react.

Lucian loves Essie very much, so I bet her real mommy probably holds a very important spot in his heart. He'll probably correct Essie's mistake soon.

Lucian furrowed his brows when his eyes met hers. After staying silent for a few seconds, he approached Estella expressionlessly and looked down at her from above. "Watch what you say, Essie."

Estella didn't expect her attempt at helping her father chase after Roxanne would cause her to be reprimanded.

"No! I want Ms. Jarvis to be my mommy," Estella, her eyes red, mumbled aggrievedly, upon hearing his stern tone and gave him an accusing look. "You said—"

Seeing that he was going to be sold out by his own daughter again, Lucian said in a deeper voice, "Don't trouble Ms. Jarvis, Estella. If you like the dress, I can buy it for you."

The employee standing at the side didn't expect their relationship to be that complicated. "Sir, our clothes are sold in sets..."

Lucian glanced at Roxanne and uttered, "Then bag these two dresses."

Of course, Estella knew what her father meant. He was going to buy both dresses, but she would only wear the princess dress.

Realizing that, she became even more aggrieved and angry. "No! I don't want it anymore!"

She wanted to wear the matching dress with Roxanne.

Lucian frowned as he stared at Estella, who was throwing a tantrum.

At that moment, the atmosphere between the father and daughter became very tense.

Roxanne's heart ached as she took in Estella's reddened eyes and the way Lucian educated the child.

In order to comfort the girl, she leaned down, looked into her eyes, and asked, "You want me to wear the matching dresses with you, right, Essie?" Estella sniffled and nodded vigorously.

Roxanne suppressed the strange emotion in her heart and smiled. "Okay. Let's go and try out the dresses."

With that, she got up and grabbed the dresses from the employee's hands. Estella's eyes slowly lit up when she heard that. After shooting her father a furious look, she turned away and entered the fitting room while holding Roxanne's hand.

After some time, they changed their clothes and came out of the fitting room. Roxanne brought Estella to a mirror. The latter smiled when she looked at the two of them in the mirror.

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Archie and Benny watched silently and enviously from behind.

They also wanted to wear matching outfits with their parents. However, they weren 't as bold as their younger sister. Knowing that Lucian was their father, they tended to act more reserved in front of him.

Roxanne looked at the happy smile on Estella's face, and her concern reduced grea tly. She patted the girl's head and said, "The dress really suits you, Essie. Let's tak e it off now so the employee. can bag them."

Estella shook her head without hesitation and grabbed Roxanne's hand tightly.

She did not want to take off the dress that quickly when it was rare for her to wear t he same clothes as Roxanne.

Roxanne could guess what the girl was thinking. Well, since we're already wearing these matching outfits. I don't think there is any difference if we wear the m for a little longer. She went along with Estella's idea and asked the employee to bag the clothes they were originally wearing.

After following the employee to the cash register, she was about to pay for the dres ses with her phone when Lucian pulled out his card and gave it to the employee.

Roxanne was slightly stunned, as she thought the action seemed a little too intimat e. With a frown, she said, "I can pay for it."

Lucian looked at her, then at Estella and said, "You didn't need to buy any clothes, Ms. Jarvis. You're only doing so now because of Essie. So I should be the one to p ay for it."

When the employee at the side sensed the ambiguous atmosphere between the two and saw Lucian's black card, she chimed in, "There's no need for you to be so cour teous with this gentleman, Miss. After all, a man should pay for a woman."

Then she grabbed the card in Lucian's hand.

Roxanne frowned and kept her phone. She knew the employee had misunderstood t heir relationship.

Before they left, the employee asked carefully, "May I take a photo of you with the girl?"

Roxanne refused politely, knowing what the employee was trying to do, and left with the children.

If she agreed, her picture with Estella would no doubt be put up in the shop.

By then, if anyone saw it or word got out, it might cause unnecessary misunderstandings.

Frieda watched as they exited the shop, and immediately, she noticed Roxanne and Estella had changed into new outfits. Why do their dresses look as though they we re made by the same person?

It wasn't until she stared at the dresses for a while that she realized they were matching

outfits. That b\*tch! Not only did she not learn her

lesson last time, but she's being more and more ridiculous! Even though she know s Lucian has a fiancée and that Essie will have a new mother in the future, she still has the gall to wear a matching outfit with her! Not only that, both of them look pr etty close to each other from the back! If I allow them to continue like this, won't R oxanne end up replacing Aubree?

At that thought, Frieda promptly pulled out her phone and took a photo of Roxanne and Estella before sending the picture to Aubree.

After that, she continued to follow them with a scowl. *The sky's turning dark*. *Let's* see *where they're* going.

"Frieda!" Hasso was holding bags of clothing when he turned around and noticed F rieda was already leaving the shop. He quickly went after her. "How much longer do we need to follow them? I've already made dinner arrangements..."

#### Frieda

pursed her lips, looking annoyed. However, when she turned to face him, her expre ssion changed. She held his arm petulantly and asked, "Is my friend more important tor is dinner more important?"

Giddy with joy that his goddess had taken the initiative to show him affection, Has so nodded. "Your friend, of course!"

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Frieda and Hasso followed Roxanne and the others for a while. Watching as they e ntered the concert venue, Frieda was so livid that she snapped a few pictures before sending them all to Aubree.

Aubree was already fuming when she saw the previous two photos that her friend h ad sent. When she received a few more photos of Lucian and Roxanne entering a v ery famous auditorium in the city with three children, her head buzzed as though it was about to explode.

She knew there would be a concert at the auditorium that day because she had aske d people

to help her procure two tickets to that concert. The tickets were meant for her and Lucian.

However, Lucian had rejected her invitation without giving her a reason.

Aubree could only convince herself that he must be busy with work, and so she had given those two tickets to her best friend.

However, little did she expect that the man had rejected her because he wanted to a ttend the concert with Roxanne.

Aubree was about to

lose her mind as she stared at the pictures when Frieda called.

She answered her phone with a scowl, only to hear the displeasure in Frieda's voic e.

"Did you see the pictures I sent you, Aubree?"

"Where did you see them?" Aubree asked through gritted teeth.

Frieda gave her a brief summary of what she had seen in the afternoon. When she f inished, she said angrily, "Roxanne's going way overboard! She's basically ignoring you! Mrs. Farwell has warned her before, but instead of repentin g, she even got closer to Lucian and Essie."

Upon learning that they even had lunch together, Aubree flew off the handle. "That b\*tch!"

I've spent much effort to convince Mrs. Farwell to warn Roxanne, yet Roxanne doe sn't seem to know any better.

"You must be careful, Aubree." Worried that nothing would come out of her effort, Frieda added, "Roxanne is Lucian's ex—wife and Essie's biological mother. Now that Essie's so attached to Roxanne, perh aps..."

She deliberately trailed off to let Aubree realize what she was getting at, and Aubre e did get her message.

Perhaps Roxanne and Essie *already* know *their relationship* with *each other*! And I know *Lucian has been* looking into *the* accident. *If he finds out about the truth, then* I'll no *doubt lose him!* 

At the thought of that possibility, Aubree panicked and her voice quavered. "Impos sible!" Frieda was very eager for her friend to teach Roxanne a lesson, so she continued to pour fuel into the fire. "I hope that's not the case too. However, seeing how intimate they are right now, it's not

impossible for Lucian to fall in love with her again, especially when she's quite a c rafty woman. I'm reminding you of this right now because I want you to prepare in advance. After all, you're the most suited for Lucian in my mind! Who does Roxa nne think she is?"

Aubree was so angry that her hands were shaking. "Thanks for the reminder. I got i t!"

It wasn't until Frieda said a few more things that she hung up the phone in satisfact ion.

Even though Aubree's phone screen had turned black, she felt as though she could still see those pictures there. "Roxanne, you b\*tch! Just you wait!"

Reflected on the black screen was her contorted face.