"Kevin, how did it go? Is Rain joining us for dinner?" Leena asked her husband. She was walking out of the kitchen, the apron still on her waist while holding a spatula.

"Of course. He immediately said yes as soon as he heard you were cooking. He'll be here soon," Kevin reported. Any invitation which included a meal was always welcome for Rain. He would never turn down Kevin's invitation because honestly, he missed Leena's cooking. Rain lived alone and was not comfortable letting people he didn't know well into his home. That was the reason why he never even hired a housemaid. He enjoyed living alone but seldom had a good home-cooked meal since he didn't know how to cook.

"By the way, where is Richard? Why isn't he with you?" Her brows furrowed when she didn't see her son around. She had asked Kevin to look after the boy while she cooked.

"He's being punished. I had him stand at military posture," Kevin said nonchalantly. He said it as if it was no big deal for a small child to take on the stance that broke even adults.

"What? Stand at military posture? Where is he?" Leena raised her tone. She immediately panicked upon hearing her husband's words. The boy was only two years old, for God's sake! Why was he given that kind of punishment? And what did he do to be punished that way? At times, Kevin was really something else.

"He's there by the door going to the garden," Kevin replied. He pointed his chin towards the direction of the garden. Leena immediately turned to look that way. She sighed deeply. "All right. Tell me, what did he do?"

The boy was very precious to Leena, and at that age, she didn't want to see him being harshly punished. But Leena also believed in teaching her son the right values. The last thing she wanted was for the boy to grow up spoiled and then end up a brat. So, if he did something wrong, Richard had to be punished. And it was up to his father to decide how to discipline their child.

"He destroyed my model tank," Kevin simply said. Kevin spent his free time, amounting to many months, finishing that model tank. He was very fond of it was a lot of competition because of Rain's popularity, so she was taking every chance she had to flirt with him and get the man to like her. She wanted Rain, and was confident she would soon get him.

"Anything is fine. I'm supposed to be somewhere, so goodbye," Rain quickly answered. Randomly, he grabbed a bottle of Tequila and turned to walk to the counter. He wanted to quickly pay for his purchase and leave the store as soon as possible. Rain wanted nothing to do with Eleanor. Women, who didn't know how to read signs when they were not wanted and kept chasing after men, annoyed him. Like Edward, Rain could be cold and cruel in situations like this. He didn't want to be involved in messy relationships. As soon as he knew someone he disliked was interested in him, he would immediately cut her off and block any attempts of approaching him. Rain was not blind. He could see through what Eleanor was trying to do.

"Hold on! Since we happened to meet here while we're both shopping for liquor, are you going to be gentleman enough and pay for my purchases?" Eleanor asked sweetly. She smiled at Rain flirtatiously, while glancing meaningfully at his chest. He'd left some of the buttons of his shirt undone, and a small patch of smooth skin showed. Eleanor was doing her best to

seduce Rain and was not being subtle about it. She had no idea that her actions only made Rain dislike her more.

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Chapter 1662 Persistent Eleanor (Part Five)

He didn't expect that to come so he let out a quick breath before saying, "Okay." Even if he disliked Eleanor, Rain as the gentleman, agreed to pay for the lady's liquor purchases. Besides, he had the money. It was only a few bottles of hard liquor that wouldn't cost very much. But his tone remained cold and emotionless because his plans did not include making friends with the woman flirting with him. There was only one woman who owned his heart, and no one else was welcome there.

"Thank you very much, Mr. Xia," Eleanor said with a smirk. She didn't expect Rain to turn down her suggestion. Eleanor was aware of how rich he was, and that he didn't care about money. But still, she was happy that he agreed. It meant that Rain didn't dislike her, didn't it? He was willing to pay for her bottles of liquor. With a wide smile, she put the bottles she was carrying on the counter next to the bottle of Tequila Rain got.

He quickly glanced at the bottles Eleanor laid down on the counter, and his brows immediately furrowed. All were very expensive. It was not that he lacked money, but Rain simply despised people who took advantage of him. Eleanor was either shameless or testing him for whatever reason. But Rain kept quiet. He wanted to finish the transaction and be on his way. The man took his credit card from his wallet and handed it to the cashier to pay for both their purchases.

The woman who stood beside him, secretly watching his every move, was a bit surprised by Rain's generosity. She was thinking he would back out of paying when he saw how pricey the bottles she had chosen were. But Rain said nothing. He paid and signed for everything, proving that money was no object to him, which impressed Eleanor. The bottles she picked were worth at least a million dollars.

"Should I pack them all tog

compromise if she wanted to be with Rain.

"Sorry, but I'm not headed in your direction. So, I can't give you a lift," Rain said briskly. It was a lame excuse, the only one that quickly came to mind to avoid being with her. Rain hastily closed the car door, started the engine and drove off. As he left, he glanced at Eleanor through the rear view mirror, with a sarcastic smirk on his face, and his eyes full of disdain. He couldn't stand being around that woman anymore. As she stood watching Rain leave, Eleanor's expression turned sullen. She didn't expect Rain's blunt refusal of her request for a ride.

She blew out a breath in annoyance. "I will let you go this time, Rain. But you won't get this lucky next time. I want you, and I will have you. I always get what I want anyway," she muttered confidently. She remained unfazed because, in her mind, she had the right to be self-assured. After all, she had an undeniably beautiful face, complemented by an amazingly hot body. Most importantly, Eleanor had youth on her side. She was in her prime as a woman. And what was not to like about her? Eleanor was sure she would get Rain in the end. She had yet to meet a man who didn't fall for her charms.

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Chapter 1663 Return To S City (Part One)



Rain drove directly over to Waterside, where Leena had been living. Their homes were now much closer.

"Hey, you tightwad! There you go! Your wine." Rain tossed the gift bag straight into Kevin's arms as soon as Kevin opened the door. Kevin's request had been expensive, costing an exorbitant amount of money. 'If not for Kevin, I could have saved the money and bought Richard more toys, ' he reasoned.

"What's wrong with you? Did you run into shit again? Why are you so angry?" Kevin was confused by Rain's childish behavior. Though comical, something about his conduct smelt fishy.

"Worse! I was being taped out!" Truthfully, money was not an issue, as the amount was mere pittance to Rain. However, he didn't like to be fleeced or taken for a fool.

"Uncle, uncle." Richard ran towards Rain as soon as he heard him arrive. Rain was delighted as always by the cute angelic child.

"Hey, little man! You have grown so much taller already. Tell me, does your mommy feed you like a cute little piglet, ripening you for slaughter?" Rain scooped Richard up and placed a great big sloppy kiss on the infant's chubby cheek.

"Don't be so mean to me, Rain. From what I see, you are actually the pig, and not a cute one." Leena had heard Rain poking fun at her son and her. So the moment she stepped into the living room, she shot an annihilating look at Rain.

"No way! My dear sister, I see that you don't love your brother anymore, especially now that you have a son to replace him in your heart. I feel so sad!" Rain instantly turned into a professional, if overly melodramatic, actor. Hand

clasped over his heart, he feigned extreme disappointment and suffered with a deeply furrowed brow.

"Okay, it's time for you to give it a rest now! Richard is going to laugh at you," Leena complained sourly, while looking over him from head to toe. She was immediately alarmed when she noticed his slightly red eyes. What happened to him? Had he cried before coming here?

"Richard, tell me, will you laugh at your uncle?" Rain continued teasing Richard. Prec

d everything. It was only natural for her to move on.

Leena opened her mouth, trying to refute this, but silence swallowed her words eventually. Only someone who had been in such a heartbreaking relationship could understand how it felt, and know that there were no words that could help.

A regular board meeting was held on Monday. During the proceedings, Vance kept trying to persuade the board members to vote Rain out.

Uncharacteristically, Rain did not grow angry at all. Instead, he merely sat silently; not even trying to defend himself, and leaving them to their heated discussion. As the company's director, he should be open to all opinions, but he almost seemed disinterested.

"Are you done? If yes, then it's time to get down to business now." Rain suddenly shook off the appearance of being lazy and indifferent. He sat upright and cast a cool glance at the gathering.

"What business? We have been discussing the day's business. Haven't you noticed? Don't try to mislead everyone." Vance glared at Rain angrily. Rain's calm demeanor made him rather unsettled.

"Distribute the files to everyone, please. It's now time to voice our opinions."

Rain turned a deaf ear to the fuss Vance caused and signaled his secretary to

hand out the files. In his eyes, Vance was nothing but a clown, trying to stir up his audience. He decided to ignore his antics.

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Chapter 1664 Return To S City (Part Two)

"What the hell are you doing, Rain? Didn't you hear all those voices against you? They preferred you to stay away from this company!" Vance roared hysterically. His brother had already been dismissed to a subsidiary company, leaving only him as Rain's competition. He had been plotting how to get rid of Rain, and finally came up with an idea which would take advantage of the board in an attempt to dismiss Rain. But Rain did not fight back at the meeting at all. Instead, he treated Vance as invisible! How arrogant of Rain!

"The file you have been given contains all the information about this project. I believe all of you are aware of the large profits the KD Group stands to generate from it. So, I'm awaiting a perfect proposal from you in a limited time," Rain ordered decisively, leaving Vance muted in anger.

"Yes, sir. We'll do everything in our power to create a perfect proposal," the leaders of the management team chorused immediately. They had always admired Rain for his extraordinary business talent.

The board members nodded at each other in satisfaction after perusing the document. It was as if the ones who had earlier agreed with Vance, and spoken in favor of removing Rain, suddenly changed identity.

A cold smile appeared on Rain's face. A bunch of old foxes! But he would outfox them! They would easily sacrifice their principles, as long as there were profits luring them. Rain decided to deal with them by pretending cordiality

temporarily. After the company passed this critical period, he would no longer need to tolerate them anymore.

As the meeting closed, the dust had settled. But Vance was still unwilling to submit to Rain's leadership. He stormed into the CEO's office immediately after the meeting.

"Rain, it must be a phony project, right? The HT Group won't award KD the case so easily." Many big companies were bidding on the project of the HT Group. Choosing the KD Group to be the executive company was just too good to be true. After all, the KD Group had just experienced a very risky period not long ago.

"That's your opinion, and I won't make any comments. For you though, it may have been a huge dif

Group?" Annie glanced the pretty woman over from head to toe, and then asked to confirm her identity.

"Yes, I'm Janice. Nice to meet you." Janice offered her hand for a friendly handshake. Actually, she was not employed by the YS Group. She had worked for Duke as his special assistant. After Duke and Belinda's marriage, the YS Group and the Leng Group had become one grand company then. So, claiming herself to work for the YS Group was not entirely correct, but in the scope of things, it was accurate.

"Nice to meet you, too." Annie accepted her outstretched hand.

"I look forward to working together." Janice was a natural at getting along with people due to her gracious approach. She had earned much praise as Duke's right hand.

"Same here!" Annie was a bit astonished to be working with such a young woman, and she wondered briefly if Janice was capable enough to complete their tasks.

"Are these your kids?" Likewise, Janice was also amazed when she saw how young Annie was. She struggled briefly to reconcile the idea that Annie was both a jewelry designer, and a mother to such young neonates.

"Yes. Huey, Joyce, say hello." Annie never relied on her family's status, so she avoided using their money when she had left. She worked as a jewelry designer to support herself and her children. At first, it was quite a struggle, but she had the talent. So, she quickly earned a successful reputation and large profits.

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Chapter 1665 Return To S City (Part Three)

"Nice to meet you, I am Huey."

"Nice to meet you, I am Joyce."

The two greeted Janice obediently. The girl was lovely and had an easy smile, while the boy played it cool, and reserved.

"Nice to meet you too. Welcome to S City. Let's get started! I'll take you and mommy to the apartment now, okay?" Brand promotion of Doyce Jewelry was a project the YG Group recently set its hand to. Duke entrusted Janice to run this project, as she was highly capable and he had faith that she would handle it well. She seldom bothered Duke, unless she needed him to secure a celebrity to cut promo. His connections to the FX Group made this process easier, if he dealt with this side of the project.

The two children, especially Joyce, kept asking various questions along the way as they left the airport terminal. Everything was so new to them.

YS arranged top class accommodation for Annie within a secure complex with a clean and natural environment. Although it occupied only about a hundred square meters' space, it was exceptionally neat and offered enough space for their needs.

"So, how do you like it? Is it okay?" It was a bit airless, with all the windows closed firmly, so, when they entered the apartment, Janice opened a window to let fresh air in. Despite the air being a bit chilly, it livened up the room and it soon felt better.

"Yeah. It's very nice. Thank you!" Annie was very satisfied with the residence. It was quiet and she knew that she would be able to relax here after a busy day's work.

"We have provided a car for you. It's the one that I drove us in from the airport. Please feel free to use it as you like." Janice handed the key to Annie. Duke was always generous to his business partners.

"Oh, that's so kind of you. But actually I can just grab a taxi when I need to get somewhere." Annie had never anticipated that the YS Group would think so highly of her,

t connection to Rain, so she had no idea why Annie had suddenly paled and become concerned.

"Oh. No, thank you. You have been very helpful." Had Annie known about the relationship between Duke and the YS Group, she would have reconsidered this business alliance carefully, instead of returning to S City and her past.

"Great. I'm afraid I have to go now. Hey, Huey, Joyce, it was lovely meeting you. See you soon!" Janice was due to make a progress report to Duke before getting off from work. She needed to return to the office to complete it for presentation.

"Bye-bye!"

"Bye-bye!"

The two kids chorused politely from where they had been playing with each other.

"I'll see you out," Annie followed Janice to the door and offered politely.

"Oh, it's okay. I know the way out. Actually, I live nearby, so, you are welcome to call me - even if it's not for work stuff," Janice declined with a smile. Annie was the guest, and it was not protocol for her to walk Janice out.

"Okay, I'll see you the day after tomorrow then." Annie waved her hand by way of farewell. Alone now, she surveyed the accommodations. If everything went smoothly, this would be their home for at least two months. Hopefully, there would not be any unforeseen incidents.

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Chapter 1666 Having An Affair (Part One)



Annie had to buy a lot of daily necessities since she just moved into the new apartment. She went to a nearby supermarket together with her children after taking a rest. In the supermarket, she placed Joyce in a shopping cart and urged Huey to grab her clothes and follow her.

"Mommy, can we buy some candies?" Joyce stared at her mother with a hopeful expression.

"No, honey. I don't want you to have bad teeth." Annie turned her down without wavering even a second. Joyce loved eating candies and hated to brush her teeth. The little girl would even start crying whenever she asked her to brush.

"Mommy, please! I promise I'll brush my teeth," pleaded Joyce while pursing her lips.

"Your promise is not credible. So, no!" Joyce had made the same promise more times than Annie could count. However, her little girl would go back on her word each time.

Unlike his sister, Huey didn't even have to ask for Annie's consent. He just put the things he wanted into the shopping cart and was indifferent to his sister's behavior.

"How come Huey can have what he wants?" complained Joyce. She felt wronged as her brother could take whatever he wanted and she couldn't. She thought that Annie loved Huey more.

"Because the things Huey takes are not food. They are school supplies," Annie explained in a soft voice. Huey was more mature than his twin sister. Every time Annie came to supermarkets with the twins, Huey would take books and toys that could help develop intelligence. Annie was happy to see that.

"I want candies!" Joyce looked at her mother in the eye. She knew her mother would eventually give in.

"No! You can't eat candies!" asserted Annie. She thought she should not keep spoiling Joyce.

"Waah! Mommy, you don't love me, do you? I want candies!" It was then that Joyce started to cry. She could see it on her mother's face that she would not give her what she wanted.

"Idiot! You know nothing but eating and crying," Huey interrupted as he rolled his eyes at his sister. He couldn't even figure out why Joyce was so naive.

"I'm not an idiot! You are a bad brother! I'm not playing with you." Joyce cried even harder.

"Okay, okay. Don't cry, baby. You can have a lollipop, okay?" Annie couldn't help but surrender to her daughter's tears. She sighed with resignation and thought, 'It seems like being a strict mother isn't an easy thing after all.'

k her hand in a gentle way. Since Annie pretended to not know him, he decided to adopt a businesslike manner.

"I will, on behalf of Doyce Jewelry, work with you for the next two months. I'm hoping for us to have good cooperation." Annie was in a fitted business suit. She was very professional as if her father weren't the CEO of C Financial Group.

"We'll try out best to cooperate with you. If you have any requests or inconvenience, please let us know and we will try to meet your requirements." Although Duke looked indifferent, he was considering how to help his buddy court Annie on the inside.

"Why don't we start discussing our contract now? As we said before, we will charge a 40 percent commission. If you have no objection, please sign the contract," Annie said. She was handling the situation expertly and it seemed that she had learned a lot in the past few years. She now had this air of a professional businesswoman.

"Here, I must say that we, YS Group, will not be responsible for any financial and legal disputes caused by the quality of your products." Duke skimmed through the contract and put forward his requirement. He ran two companies with great facility.

"Of course, Mr. Leng. I'd like to renew my request as well. Our designers have their own design concepts and I hope you won't enforce your will upon us."

Annie didn't like laymen making indiscreet remarks on her work.

That statement from her made Duke furrow his brows and tap his fingers on the desk. As a businessman, he had to consider it carefully so as to make the best decision for the company.

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On the other hand, Annie secretly bit her lower lip and wondered if she was going too far. They were designing the products in accordance with YS Group's image after all and it was understandable for them to have their own thoughts. However, she really didn't like to be bothered while she was working.

"I agree. Janice, remember to add those two items to the contract." After a short consideration, Duke decided to agree with Annie. Since he had chosen her company as a partner, he should trust her. Moreover, Annie was Rain's beloved woman and he hoped that he would help Rain win her heart again.

"Thank you, Mr. Leng." Annie was thrilled. She didn't really expect Duke to say yes.

"No problem. You're Rain's friend and I will do whatever I can to help you." Duke gave her a friendly smile.

"Uh, Mr. Leng, could you please not tell him that I'm in S City?" Annie asked, embarrassed. She was worried that she couldn't help but warn Rain about his wife's affair thoughtlessly once she met him.

"Can you tell me why?" Duke asked confusedly. He furrowed his eyebrows and remembered what Rain had told him before. 'Does she really forget Rain? That can't be possible!' he thought.

"We both live a happy life now. So there's no need to bring more trouble."

Annie smiled bitterly as she didn't think that she was able to get back together with Rain again.

"I think you mean you live a happy life now." Disdain was suddenly written all over Duke's face. He thought that Annie had a happy family now and didn't want Rain to disturb them.

"Mr. Leng, I don't get your point," Annie said with a frown. 'Is Rain not living a happy life? He has a beautiful wife and an adorable son. Oh, maybe Mr. Leng knows that Rain's wife has an affair," she thought to herself.

"You'll get my point as long as you still care about him," Duke said in defense of his best buddy. His goal was to help Rain win her heart back. He really didn't want Rain to live in sorrow.

"Mr. Leng, the contract is ready." Janice entered the office at that moment, which helped Annie escape the embarrassment. Otherwise, Annie didn't know how to respond.

"The next thing is to find the suitable model for our products. I've already found one. However, I think it's still necessary to listen to your opinion." Duke looked at Janice and asked her to give Annie the model's information.

"Sure." Ann

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want me to tell you her number?" Duke asked with a teasing smile. He decided to not give Rain the number so easily.

"Give me the number!" Rain picked up his pen to write it down.

"I can give you the number. However, what do you plan to offer in exchange?" Duke flashed a cunning smile. 'Dude, you always oppose me. This time, I won't let you have Annie's number so easily, ' he thought.

"You brat! Two bottles of Hennessy! Are you satisfied?" Rain thundered through gritted teeth. If Duke were right in front of him, he would punch him on the face.

"Ouch! My ears! Are you trying to murder me?" Duke complained. Luckily, he had already moved his phone away from his ear.

"I'm in no mood to talk nonsense with you. Give me the number, now!" Rain threatened. He still had a lot of work to do and he didn't want to argue with Duke anymore.

"I'll text you the number when I'm in a good mood." After saying that, Duke immediately hung up. He didn't want to face an angry Rain.

"Damn it!" Rain banged his phone on his desk. He knew Duke was getting even with him for the model thing. 'Mr. Cold is as cunning as Edward!' he thought to himself.

Rain was in no mood to deal with the documents anymore. Thus, he stood and walked to the French window as he thought of Annie.

Although Duke told him that there was no man around Annie, she had two children. Who was the children's father? Did they get married? Or had they

already divorced each other? A myriad of thoughts flooded Rain. He needed to figure it out and think about what he should say when he saw her next time.

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Duke meant to annoy Rain by texting him back two hours later. The latter seethed in anger, thinking about how he should exchange the high-end wine he was about to give Duke with a low-grade one.

Rain stared at the phone number on his screen and pressed back to the home screen, feeling like he wasn't brave enough to ring it up. His enthusiasm was gone.

After hesitating for a while, he gritted his teeth together and took a deep breath. He decided to let go of his anxiety and do what he really wanted. No matter what response he got, he needed to do this.

Rain looked at the phone number again and dialed it. The ringing was endless and he was disappointed to hear no one answer it. He was just about to hang up when a feminine voice spoke at the other end of the line.

"Hello, this is Annie speaking. Who is this?" At the familiar voice, Rain was suddenly at a loss for words. What would be appropriate for him to say?

"It's me. I was told you are in S City now." His voice was low and hesitant as he answered her, trying to suppress his eagerness.

"Rain?" Annie was flustered. It seemed that Duke told Rain everything.

"Yes. Do you have a minute? I hope we can have a drink." Rain's desk was covered in tons of files. He had a lot of work to do, but the files could wait. First, he wanted to give their relationship another chance.

"Right now?" Annie didn't hesitate in turning Duke's offer down, but when it came to Rain, she couldn't help letting her feelings get to her head. She was always pulled to him.

"Would that be okay?" Rain's voice was cautious, as if he was afraid she would say no.

"Yes. Where will we meet?" Annie smiled sadly. It turned out she still had feelings for him. She hadn't forgotten him at all.

"I'll pick you up. Tell me your address." Rain exhaled deeply upon hearing her answer. She had agreed to meet him! He grinned in relief.

"That's fine. I have a car. Just tell me where we will meet." The news of his marriage had cut Annie to the quick. Her heart still stung.

"I'll text you." They were in uncertain waters and talked warily, as if one wrong word had the power to offend the other person.

"Okay, see you later." Annie hung up soon, feeling like her heart was about to come out of her chest.

Rain put the phone down and sent her an address, fro

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obably aren't used to it," Rain said when Annie frowned after taking a sip of the coffee.

"No, it is kind of good. I like trying something new." Annie didn't think Rain could bear to drink something so bitter. She was afraid to take a second sip. Rain seemed to know her mind and asked the waiter to serve her something else instead.

"How long do you plan to stay?" Rain asked her as he drank his coffee, his eyes guarded.

"It depends, but I am here for months." The two of them talked casually over the coffee, neither of them mentioning the pressing issue between them.

"Would you like to tell me why you left four years ago?" Rain finally asked, pinning her with his gaze. He tried to remain calm. Deep inside his heart, he was dying to know the answer to the question that had been dogging him all these years. He would not leave here before he got her explanation.

Annie stole a glance at him in panic. Her heart plummeted to her stomach when she heard him refer to their history.

"I..." Why did she leave? Was it because she knew he didn't love her? Or was it because she was afraid to get hurt again?

"You want me to say the reason out loud for you? It's because you loved another man, so you left me after you were done with me." Rain's chest tightened as he recalled the red stain on the sheets.

"Another man? What are you talking about?" Annie frowned. She had been reluctant to talk because she had been worried he would ask her about the kids. Rain knew Annie had two kids, but he didn't know they were his kids.

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Chapter 1669 So Close To The Truth (Part Two)

"Fine. It's your own private matter. Sorry for intruding. Maybe I asked for too much." Rain fidgeted, his lips turning into a wry smile. From her frown, he could tell the question had annoyed her.

"No. I want you to be clear. Who was this other man?" Annie would never admit to doing something that didn't happen. Rain obviously held a misunderstanding.

"Annie, oh no, Mrs... I don't know...You have kids, don't you?" He recalled the photo of the two adorable children on her phone. Rain wished they were his kids, instead of some unknown bastard's.

"You... How did you know that?" Annie turned white. She should have guessed this would happen. Janice was Duke's right hand; she would have told his boss everything.

"It's easy to know. You must love the man a lot, so you had his kids." A wretched look dominated his expression, revealing his prolonged suffering. He felt as though his heart was sinking.

"Yes, I love him very much." Annie gazed at him profoundly. Rain, having lowered his head, missed the deep feeling in her gaze.

Her answer almost tore his heart apart. It was time for him to move on. Finally, he had her answer. She truly fell in love with someone else.

"I should have known." Rain picked up his cup of bitter coffee and swallowed it neat. It tasted like water to him, overcome as he was by disappointment and sorrow. His chest felt heavy.

"What should you have known?" Annie frowned, wondering if he knew the man was him. She was in love with Rain, but he was already a married man. She couldn't tell him the kids were his and ruin his family in the process. Besides, he didn't love her. Why would he care?

"Nothing. Is he nice to you?" Rain smiled sardonically. There was nothing he could do now but wish her happiness.

"He..." Annie bit her lower lip. Her heart felt like it was being stabbed. "No, he is not," she finished.

"What?" Rain didn't expect her answer to be in the negative. His head snapped up to her in confusion.

"Rain, can't we just move on? I don't want to talk about it anymore." Annie was unwilling to linger on the issue. The man they were talking about was right in front of her. How could she criticize him when he was around? The only thing she could do was cover up her feelings for him.

"That's why you came here all alone, with your kids?" Rain cast his eyes down, miserable. He wished he were that man. He would have never left her in the lurch.

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e, I will introduce her to you. You're both girls. Since you are in S City, you can ask her for advice anytime." Rain would be the first one to step up when Annie was in need, but after all, he was a man. If Annie had girl problems, he could scarcely help.

"Okay. I am looking forward to meeting her." The real reason Annie wanted to meet Leena was because she was a mother too. They could share experiences of raising kids with each other. Even though Leena's kid was younger than hers, there were always new things Leena could tell her.

"I thought you already knew her since she came to the party too. Maybe you didn't notice her." Rain frowned. He remembered Leena talking to him all night. Annie couldn't have missed Leena if she noticed him.

"No. It seems I didn't see her." Annie had panicked when she saw Rain with his wife, so she hadn't paid attention to anyone else. She still felt the sharp pain in her heart at the image of her laughing with him.

The misunderstanding between them could easily be solved as long as both of them were on the same page, but neither of them wanted to press the issue. They kept a lid on their feelings in fear and deviated when they got close to the truth, again and again.

After meeting Rain, Annie went to a shopping mall instead of going home. She didn't carry a lot of clothes with her as she had two children to take care of, so she wanted to buy a few things for them.

She had realized something when she was with Rain, earlier. She couldn't help but want to get close to him, even though he was a married man now. It was awful. How could she be so shameless?

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After leaving the cafe, Rain didn't return to FX International Group. Instead, he chose to cruise straight to KD Group, because William had given him a call saying that Hannah had called many of her supporters together in order to coerce Rain to reinstate Cyrus back in the head office.

"Mr. Xia, thank God you've arrived. Their foolish acts are ruining the company to the extent that the day-to-day affairs of the company are in peril," William received Rain and alerted him in a hurry. His arrival had been anxiously awaited by William for a while now. Situation had been spiraling out of control and the situation demanded a man who could take charge in order to ameliorate this disaster.

"When did they initiate? Why wasn't I informed about this sooner?" Rain asked in an enraged tone while striding himself into the company, with the heavy smell of gunpowder still persistent on his face. He cursed them in his heart for not letting this body to gain a pinch of meaningful rest.

"At the outset, we were under the impression that we had the situation under control. But later, all of us came to the conclusion that it has spiraled beyond our hands. We decided unanimously to maintain restraint considering your family relations with them and leave the decision to your wisdom," William explained while rushing to keep pace with Rain.

However, the heavy footsteps of Rain echoing across the corridor ceased abruptly as soon as he heard what William had just said. Turning around and keeping a cold stare on William, he whispered slowly, as though he was dropping the words one by one, "They are not my family. I don't want to hear anyone saying that ever again."

After uttering that, he walked straight into the elevator, without caring to pause for at least a moment.

William struggled awfully to catch up with Rain. He knew that Rain wasn't so fond of the Ke Family, but he hadn't expected that he loathed them to this extent.

As soon as he arrived at the top floor, Rain heard a pang of hubbub. It seemed to him that he had just landed at the epicentre of terrible scene in the making. Rain twisted his eyebrows into a clean furrow. The apparently short limits of his temper were being p

He still hadn't accepted that such a legitimate son as him could not beat a bastard.

"Vance is right. The CEO of KD Group goes so far as to look down upon the company under his own management. He insults and rebukes us. Working underneath him will only render disasters to this company."

"Right! So we require the dismissal and replacement of the CEO. I'd consider transferring Cyrus back from the branch office as a good option."

"Otherwise, it'd also be wonderful to let Vance take up the position."

Hearing their discussion, Rain stood still with a faint smile on his face. Like a flock of sheep without a shepherd, they had earned the guts to provoke him. It appeared that they had saved enough money and it was time for them to go back home and live on their own fat.

"Do you really want me to quit even at the cost of an imminent collapse of the KD Group?" Rain didn't give a damn about the position of KD Group's CEO, because even if he resigned from KD Group, he was still the Deputy CEO of FX International Group. But KD Group was the institution wherein he had left so many footprints altogether. He didn't really feel like the writing on the wall had appeared asking him to quit.

"Stop exaggerating the situation beyond our wildest imagination to freak us out. You seem to think that the entire operation of KD Group relies on you solely," Vance smiled, without giving a definite answer. He didn't believe Rain was indispensable for KD Group.