The Princess and the Pauper (Arabella)

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"If every brother gifted you three million bucks every now and then, along with the fortune from the old lady, how many houses you reckon you could buy in a year? Who needs love when you can have property?"

Serena looked down, remaining silent.

"Serena, next thing we should do.' Martha whispered in Serena's ear, plotting something.

Meanwhile.

Arabella arrived at Villa Cascada, where Jack reported, "Boss, those guys from last night woke up, but they're not spilling a word.

Tough nuts to crack."

"No worries, no rush. I need to visit the lab first."

Watching her leave, Jack thought, how cool she looked when she's in business mode!

Arabella got back to analyzing the powder from yesterday, feeling like she'd missed something. As she was busy, her phone vibrated.

It was a call from Crystal Temple.

"Crystal?" Arabella paused, puzzled.

"Arabella dear, where are you? I'm at Reflections Villa!" Crystal's voice came over the phone. "The servants said you left early this morning. Are you out having fun? Can I join you?"

"I'm out with a friend"

"Oh, alright. When will you be back?"

"Probably not anytime soon.

"Clark is also not at home. Can you finish your work by lunchtime?

We could have lunch together. I heard Summerfield has this beautiful cave restaurant that everyone's raving about."

Crystal wanted to bond with her future sister-in-law, but also because she found Arabella's cold demeanor comfortable.

However, Arabella politely declined the invitation after realizing Clark's intentions, saying, "Maybe not at lunch. I'll treat you another day."

"Oh, I can't let you pay! Let's plan another day to check out that restaurant, and I won't bother you and your friend anymore."

Crystal chatted a bit more before hanging up.

Looking at the beautiful garden of Reflections Villa, Crystal felt a bit bored since Mr. Collins and Mrs. Collins were not at home.

At that moment, Serena called out softly, "Crystal?"

"Serena dear, Crystal greeted her with a friendly smile.

"Are you here for Clark? He's out and there's no one else at home.

Would you like to go out for a bit, maybe grab lunch?"

Serena thought that it would be good to bond with Crystal in case she became her future sister-in-law.

Having one more friend was always better than having one more enemy.

But Crystal laughed, "Maybe another day. I just remembered I have something to take care of. I'll be going now."

Serena felt awkward but still managed to smile, "Alright, we'll plan for another day."

After Crystal left, Martha couldn't help but comment, "She clearly doesn't want to bond with you. She was all over Arabella earlier and even asked her out for lunch. But the moment you mention it, she suddenly has something to do. Who is she fooling?"

Serena didn't expect Crystal to be so calculating, only wanting to bond with Arabella.

"After all, you're just an adopted daughter.' Martha added fuel to the fire, "Serena, do you see the difference now?"

The biological child was always favored.

An adopted child was still an outsider in this family!

Back at Villa Cascada, Arabella's experiment was still not completed. Hearing that Clark had arrived, she turned to see a tall figure standing in the doorway.