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Jasper remained calm as he tapped Wendy on the arm, signaling for her to calm down.

"I'll take care of these two," Jasper said.

Wendy nodded and said angrily, "Jasp, you must teach them a lesson this time."

"Teach them a lesson?"

Jasper smiled as he said slowly, "I've already taught them a lesson, but it seems that they aren't in touch with reality yet. Lessons... aren't enough for people like them."

Jasper was smiling, but Wendy, who knew him like the back of her hand, knew he was furious.

Wendy knew Jasper was this angry because Mark had malicious intentions toward her. Her heart glowed with the warmth of that knowledge.

"I'm going to have to trouble you with something."

Jasper said to Julian, "Call them and tell them that your plan has succeeded."

Julian did not understand what was going on, but he could sense the iciness hidden within the calm expression on Jasper's face.

Without asking more questions, he nodded and took his phone out to make the call.

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restaurant near

Steve smoked on cigarettes as they stared at the silent phone on the table, panic building within

Suddenly, the phone rang.

immediately answered

smiled broadly

his excitement

and said, "That was Julian on the phone. He told me that he has successfully taken control of Jasper and Wendy. All we need now is for you to grace them with your presence, Young Master

he clapped Steve on the back gleefully. "Not bad! I'll remember

he said sinisterly, "I wonder how

chance to humiliate Jasper. I'll make him lie on the floor and watch me have fun with

two excited men hurriedly stood up and

minutes, Mark had brought Steve

grin on his face as

slapped him and forced him to crawl

to step on Jasper's face and ask him who was

Schuler, she could pretend to be high and mighty all she liked. He would see if she could continue maintaining that aristocratic

screams must be music to

excitement as he imagined the scene. He

The door soon opened.

was standing

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Mark and Steve felt as if they were going crazy.

LIVE

An error occurred. Please try again later

Their elation fell from the heights of heaven to the pits of hell the minute they saw Jasper... They did not know what to do.

They really did not know what to do.

In their imagination, Jasper had been lying in a pool of blood, ready to either hurl curses or get on his knees and beg when he saw them.

No matter what, he should not be sitting on the couch in one piece and sipping on red wine, looking as if he was awaiting their arrival?!

Who was the mastermind in their elaborately planned scheme?

Steve began sweating profusely as he panicked.

Mark's lips trembled as the sparkle left his eyes.

looked

a calm expression on his face as he walked toward the couch Jasper was sitting

to accept surfaced in his mind as

been betrayed by

stared at Julian in

acting as if he had not

slapped Steve. Gritting his teeth, he said, "This is the

was shocked by Mark's

the other side, afraid to meet Mark's furious expression. His

had his smugness

downed the rest of the wine before

that's

this is all that idiot Steve Quare's fault. He's the one who coerced me into this. I never wanted to seek revenge against you. He was also the

Laine, please forgive

this would happen. His father had wanted him to apologize,

by the humiliation

happen when his family learned of this accident that would undoubtedly

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Mark yelled out in pain as he stumbled backward with his head in his hands. Blood oozed out between his fingers.

Jasper took a napkin and carefully cleaned the stains on his fingers. The gaze he directed at Mark and Steve was impossibly cold.

"It's normal that you want to attack me, but we only look at a man's power.

"If I lost, that means my ability isn't up to par. Then I should surrender myself to you.

"However, that means you should do the same if you've lost.

"You should have never, ever, directed any of your filthy thoughts toward my woman."

Mark felt his head throbbing and spinning as he raised it to look at Jasper. At that moment, he did not bother taking any more chances and decided he might as well say while grinning evilly, "Shut the f*ck up with your bullsh*t! Of course, you're in the right when you've won!

"Kill me if you can!

"But do you dare to?

"Do you really f*cking dare kill me?

to pay a life with

sole heir to the Zion family. You dare kill me while you're in

who still insisted on having the

your family losing its power would be much more painful than

Zion family as my playthings. When that happens, you, Mark Zion, will be worth even

chuckled while saying, "You've made quite a number of enemies in Brac County over the years, haven't

was you who contacted Harbor City and not

the f*ck are

hell do you

flown into a state of genuine

mastermind behind this since the

all been masterminded

could Julian's betrayal

could Jasper's calmness

was

he gain the power

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Steve shuddered when he heard what Jasper said.

He had realized something just by listening to Mark speak.

Which was that Jasper had used some sort of method to cause not only Mark but the entire Zion family to suffer extreme losses.

Then, he remembered when he met Mark today. Mark had a handprint on his face and was so furious that he could not wait to swallow Jasper whole...

Steve realized that he was in deep trouble now.

He did not have a background as powerful as Mark's. His family could not even be called a prestigious family. It was just that his family's company had the slightest bit of fame and fortune in Brac County...

With this little capital, how could he fight against Jasper who could cause the Zion family to suffer extreme losses?

"Jasper, we were classmates... We were high school classmates for three whole years. You'll keep that in mind, won't you?

"I know I've made a mistake. How about I kneel to you? I'll get on my knees and beg for forgiveness!"

Steve fell to his knees and

trying to live, slapping himself loudly each time. Within minutes, his cheeks had turned

narrowed his eyes as he stared at Steve who looked as red as a

Mark was nothing more than a worthless rich kid who was

different. He was more intelligent than he seemed and was much eviler. Steve

grovel in the blink of an eye when plans failed. Even a casual onlooker could

was easier to deal

truly poisonous ones. If you did not kill them now, they would cause you more

repeatedly. He made no action to stop Steve, nor did he say a

in his vision. His cheeks were

he said to Jasper, "Please forgive me. I swear

if

out his phone just as Steve allowed a flare of hope

Xavier Johnson who

do you do, Mr. Laine?" Xavier

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"Do what you're supposed to do. Tomorrow, no bank in Brac County will issue a loan to Future Industries, and they'll start demanding payments for loans that have already been made."

When Jasper finished speaking, he did not wait for Xavier's surprised reply before hanging up the phone.

At that moment, Steve felt the top of his head go numb as he stared at Jasper.

Jasper was going to kill his entire family!

"What... What are you doing?! Who did you call?!" Steve's voice shook while he asked his questions.

"Who would most enjoy seeing Future Industries fail in the entire Brac County?" Jasper asked calmly.

Steve shuddered as he roared, "What the f*ck do you want to do?!"

Jasper ignored Steve.

It was because Harvey Zion had arrived.

with his brothers

to give them a chance for

business. Harvey might be the head of

whom he had asked to apologize, did not bear good news. Rather, he was now being held

was showing no respect for the

but they were still one of the tyrants of Brac County. If JW Real Estate was so aggressive that they not only refused to accept their apology but even captured one of his people, would that

left with

room, Harvey immediately spotted Mark who had his hands wrapped around his bleeding head. He also saw Steve whose face had swollen to twice its size as he knelt before Jasper. His

Jasper Laine?" Harvey

replied calmly, "You're the head of

Schuler? I want to speak to

I think

trouble him with matters like this. I can take care of

richest man in the province and me as the tyrant of Brac

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"Dad, this was all Jasper's doing!

"He was the one who contacted the people at Harbor City!

"We've all been fooled by him!"

Jasper finally found an opportunity to yell out desperately.

He sounded miserable. It was as if he had finally gotten the chance to bed a beautiful woman but it turned out she had a thicker schlong than him.

Harvey's eyes widened after hearing that. He stared at Jasper in disbelief.

The expression on his face and the look in his eyes looked identical to the one Mark showed just moments ago.

Then, Harvey laughed.

"Not bad. I've been making my way around Brac County for more than 20 years, but this is the first time I've had a youngster run circles around me.

"You're Jasper Laine, aren't you? Well done. That was wonderfully executed."

Harvey pushed his bodyguards aside and stared straight into Jasper's eyes as he said calmly, "You've proven yourself by being able to deceive me at this age. Tell me, what do you want?"

Jasper stood behind the couch, using it to rest his arms. He seemed to be smiling as he stared at Harvey and said coolly, "So, you think I'm doing all this to prove my worth to you?"

Harvey's face fell as he said, "Young man, you were still in your mother's womb when I took charge of the Zion family's business. It's worth more than ten billion dollars! I would advise you not to get too snooty."

"Is ten billion a lot?" Jasper asked calmly.

Harvey was angry now. In a cold voice, he said, "Don't be too arrogant. Not even Dawson would speak like that to me."

"That means you're not on that level yet. You might think you're in high society, but those actually in it can't even be bothered to look at you," Jasper said playfully as he shrugged.

"The larger the crowd, the higher the number of idiots. You're one of those idiots. Do you think you're royalty after making a name for yourself in Brac County, which was just a municipality a while ago?"

speak. He roared, "The audacity! And who

Mark. "I'm

face turned as white as a sheet when

in front of the father and son, Jasper took

had a somber expression on their faces when they

his phone to make a call that would cause his family's business, Future

going to do

to piss all over

shuddered, his eyes

Jasper dialed Dawson's number.

Dawson's sleepy voice rang out across the

"Jasper, what's the matter?"

on my end. You can begin exerting pressure from the province, Uncle Schuler. I've already dealt with the Zion family's shipyard. You can ask your friends from

grabbed his glasses from the bedside

reason, nor did he ask for details about the Zion family. He simply answered,

One word was enough.

into the real estate industry and causing economic

power rose, so did the number of people

Zion family was. If Jasper said they were to be defeated, he would make use of his resources to ensure that

Jasper hung up, he looked at Harvey whose eyes were glinting despite the stony expression on his face. He said calmly, "You were

Mark looked

in my mother's womb when you took over

walked over to Harvey from the couch. He

high position that you wouldn't be able to see it even if you incline

you're still rolling around in your business that's worth a measly billions

stung Harvey as much as

his flesh had

then, the ear-piercing sound of

It was Steve's phone.

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Harvey's face turned a bright shade of red as he curled his hands into fists and roared like a wounded animal.

"What should we do? How am I supposed to know that?!"

Harvey glared at Mark before he raised a hand to give Mark a resounding slap across the face.

"I asked you to come to apologize. Is this how you apologize?! Huh?!"

As Harvey bellowed, his vision went black and he nearly collapsed onto the ground.

In the end, he gritted his teeth and said, "The Zion family will preserve whatever power it can. As for the rest... we'll talk about them in the future!"

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Jasper had gotten himself another room to work in so that he would not interrupt Wendy's sleep.

When Jasper returned with Julian, he found Wendy curled up lazily on the couch and watching television.

"Done?" Wendy asked.

"Yes." Jasper nodded and asked gently, "Aren't you going to bed yet?"

for you," Wendy answered in

Jasper said, "It was a success. We should be able to move

get rid

for a moment. The Zion family owned several businesses, but only the shipyard was worth something. He did

have Mr. Lambert deal with it tomorrow," Jasper

and looked at Julian who was standing wordlessly at the door. She called out to him,

let alone beautiful women like Wendy, was

was one of

giggled, her liking toward the

salary is 30% of your annual salary. We'll sponsor two trips per

for the workload itself, it'll be harder for you at first since you'll be alone. But I'll continue adding members to Jasp's team of

was what Wendy had been thinking about

status in society was elevating, he needed to start paying

knew what would have happened if they had been

wanted Julian

Julian seemed much more reliable and better at combat than her dad's

what Wendy had said, but

his bodyguard, but he had not expected Wendy to be this

so, Jasper was

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Jasper laughed as he said, "Why are you looking at me? She's in charge here."

Julian immediately nodded and said, "You have such high expectations of me. I'll do my best to protect Mr. Laine!"

Wendy smiled and said, "Alright, that's that then."

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The next day, Brac County found itself in chaos.

Suppliers arrived at Future Industries, demanding payment, whilst banks refused to sign them a loan. Moreover, they had even demanded that Future Industries repay all their loans immediately.

Future Industries' financial support chain was on the verge of collapse.

Just when things could not get even worse, Ambition Corporation put out the word that the Quare brothers from Future Industries were laundering money from Ambition Corporation.

Xavier claimed that he was going to kill the Quare brothers.

Future Industries collapsed in an instant.

As for the Zion family...

one of the most famous families in Brac County, their shipyard piqued the attention of many when Harbor City

the various businesses they owned

an

any sort of relation to the Zion family immediately

as if a large invisible hand had crushed everything the

of the Zion family sat in Harvey's

family business was done for, members of the Zion family began stabbing each other in the back. They were hoping to take

at the head of the table. He seemed to have

ashes piling next

for the other members of the Zion family, they were arguing over how the money should be divided. They were all preoccupied

then, a group of people

day, Mr. Zion. I'm Mr. Lambert from JW Real

as he handed Harvey his name card. He felt ecstatic when he saw the chaos the Zion family

a few days ago, he had been at the disposal of the Zion family. Anyone

He felt jubilant as he arrived with

Mr. Lambert was ecstatic.

respect for Jasper who managed to pull

That man was horrifying!

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How much was the Zion family's shipyard worth?

The 800-tonne gantry cranes they had imported from Germany were worth 400 million themselves.

There were also the most advanced computer numerical control machines of the day, each of which had a starting price of 100 million.

The members of the Zion family understood that even if the machines were dismantled and sold as scrap metal, they would be worth way more than 50 million.

Which was why Jasper's offer of 50 million infuriated them.

Yet, did they have a choice?

No!

The Zion family was in shambles both on the inside and on the outside.

When they left the house, they were confronted with people demanding the Zion family to pay off their debts. When they returned home, every person in the family was calculating how they could get the greatest amount of money.

Most importantly, they understood one thing.

one besides Jasper Laine would dare

did not matter if there were great benefits or profits if you were not alive to

was why he had let Mr. Lambert drop by with a check for

enough money to divide between the family

Zion family decided to take the

was just enough to make the Zion family stop

would hurt them if

them even more if they

think

Herman Zion, was the first one

other

on Harvey's face faltered before he yelled, "Are you stupid or crazy? We inherited this shipyard from Old Master Zion. It's our family business and it's worth well over

yelling, he looked at his other relatives but realized that they did not look angered.

sank as he got

Second

Another woman spoke.

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Jasper got him to arrive at this time because he knew that the entire Zion family would either be arguing over the money or discussing strategies.

Harvey might be the head of the family, but who would be thinking for the family when they could not even protect themselves during a crisis like this?

Every member of the family had a share in the shipyard.

Now was the time to make off with as much money as possible.

With this interjection, Harvey would not be able to stop his family members' greed no matter how insistent he was.

"Mr. Laine also instructed me to only give you 20 minutes to think about it. It's been 15 minutes. I'll leave if you aren't going to agree," Mr. Lambert spoke pompously.

That caused members of the Zion family to have an even uglier expression on their faces.

"I'll sell!" Herman gritted his teeth as he stood and said, "I own 20% of the shipyard's shares!"

The rest of the Zion family could not sit still after hearing what Herman said.

"I'll sell too. I own 13%."

17%. I'll sell

place. Soon, Harvey was

was pale as he tugged on Harvey's shirt and said chokingly, "Dad, why

to have aged at least ten years as he said listlessly, "I'll

impatiently, he retrieved a contract

signed their names. Your family will

in Mr. Lambert's hands

name, Mr. Lambert took the contract and placed the 50 million dollar check on the coffee table. He smiled as he said,

Mr. Lambert roared with laughter as he turned

Harvey roaring in both anger and indignance. He sounded like a wounded

you fight against Mr. Laine with

as he got into the car

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a cryptic place. As the Zion family faced disaster, Jasper and Wendy were at Brac

treatment from the most elite medical gently