

Be Gentle 331

Chapter 331 Standing Up for His Woman!

"Get your manager here," Luke said.

One of the sales clerks frantically went to the manager's office.

Soon, the manager arrived on the scene.

He was shocked when he saw Luke. Then, he bowed and said fawningly, "It's rare that you visit my little store, Mr. Crawford. Can I help you with anything? I'll get someone to wrap up anything that you want."

Luke did not say anything. He opened his wallet. The selection of gold cards inside was dazzling.

He picked out one and handed it to the manager. "Everything in the store."

Sue's eyes opened wide. She wanted to applaud Luke.

'Wow, our boss is so cool!

'Not only is he incredibly generous, but he is also very protective. That'll show those despicable people!'

"Alright, very well. Now, everything in the store belongs to you. You can do whatever you wish," the manager said excitedly.

Then, the manager took the credit card away to process the transaction.

The sales clerks were speechless.

silently seething. Why did Bianca deserve Luke's

even more determined to marry him. After all, wealthy and handsome men like his were

Melissa was not going to let the

man might look handsome and seem rich, but he favored the woman whom she hated. That made her hate the man

don't care who you are, but you'd better mind your own business!" Melissa said rudely, "That woman might have stolen my necklace. Do you want to harbor a thief? My necklace is custom-made. It's very

away from the country for a very long time. Her social circle consisted of young men and women who came from wealthy families. She was not acquainted with Luke, nor did she pay attention to the financial news to know who he

that the man was just the typical rich and

pointed a finger at Bianca while trying to contain her anger. "No matter what you say, I'll have to search her body. Why would she be afraid of being searched if she's not guilty?" "What if I don't have your necklace?" Bianca asked calmly. She did not have anything

don't find the necklace on you, I'll apologize to you publicly and compensate you for your time!" Melissa ahead and search then." Bianca spread her arms, inviting Melissa to

and walked close. She was going to reach for Bianca's

However, Luke's hand gripped her wrist like an iron clamp. It felt like he was almost going to break her wrist. "Stop it. Who gave you *the authority?*"

The sales clerks looked at each other and dared not **say anything**.

Anyone who could afford to shop there was wealthy and influential. The sales clerks could not afford to cross any of them and therefore chose to stay silent.

Luke seemed hostile because he was impatient. Melissa trembled out of fear, but she pretended to be calm. "Please let go of me, mister. Otherwise, I'll involve the police in this!"

With her free left hand, she took out her phone and prepared to dial 911.

Luke snatched her phone and threw it heavily on *the floor!*

The phone was instantly smashed into bits. Melissa's mouth opened wide when she saw her new phone was destroyed. She did not expect that the man might look gentle, but was actually so **violent!**

"I'll pay you back for the phone, but I'd like to see you try touching my woman!" Luke said **viciously**.

Melissa stood rooted to the floor.

Luke took Bianca's hand and they headed toward the door. Before they left, Luke turned around and said to Sue, "I'll leave the rest to you."

Sue nodded quickly and said, "Thank you for placing your trust in me, Mr.

handle the rest

not believe her luck. Now, the boss had recognized her and had even ordered her around as though she was

indeed her lucky star. Sue felt that her status was elevated whenever she was with Bianca. Now, she felt like she was at the same level as Mr.

went on, she would be getting a raise

followed behind Luke. He had tightly held her fingers in his palm. The man's large hands were warm and solid, and Bianca felt safe holding them. She sighed, wondering why would drama follow her everywhere

Everything happened so suddenly.

not worth it for you to buy so many expensive things,"

continued to hold her hand and walk away from the store not saying a word. She continued, 'I think

Luke noticed that Bianca was wearing high heels. He slowed down his footsteps and looked at her with his handsome face. "You don't have to worry about me. It's not a lot of money." "Alright, I won't worry about you then." Bianca knew that Luke had an assertive personality and a wealthy

that single transaction, he had probably spent more money than Bianca could earn in her entire lifetime. However, the amount was negligible

tonight is Old Mr. Norman's 70th birthday. There will be many VIPs in attendance, but you don't have to worry. Just stay by my side," Luke said as he caressed her long

Chapter 332 Her Heart Quivered Uncontrollably

Night fell, and a sky of stars shone over the earth.

The outdoors might be thick with snow, but Millennia Hotel was brightly lit. Old Mr. Norman's 70th birthday party was held there.

All the important figures from the business, political, and military circles were there.

The hotel was decorated grandly with a gigantic crystal chandelier, a warm fireplace, and an extravagant mural.

Old Mr. Norman sat straight, dressed in a classic suit. He carried the authority of a politician in each of his movements.

He remained spirited even though he was old. Currently, the guests were offering their birthday wishes to him.

Every guest in attendance was a socialite.

Old Mr. Norman might have retired, but he was nonetheless influential in the political circle. Furthermore, his son Jack was also an important figure, and the guests were eager to suck up to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Norman were in the lobby greeting the guests. Queenie was in her element, while Jack was not very fond of such situations.

However, his father wanted his birthday celebration to be grand, and that was why Jack had organized one for him.

birthday, Grandpa! I wish that you will remain healthy and prosperous always!" Leia's sweet voice could be heard amid the bustling

was dressed in a pure white oblique shoulder evening gown for the party. She wore an appropriate amount of make-up on her petite face, which made her

fact, she looked elegant and ethereal, as though she was not from the

so many important guests around, Old Mr. Norman could not treat his

was not too enthusiastic either. "Thank you for coming to visit me even though you're so busy," he said
Leia's smile froze on her face.

Mr. Norman imply that she seldom

knew that even if she visited him, he would not want to see her anyway. She was not one to bring contempt upon

Leia hid her true feelings in front

smiled sweetly and handed a gift box to her grandfather. "You're my one and only grandfather, Grandpa, and it's your birthday today. I'll have to visit you no matter how busy I am. I can find other jobs, but I only have one

Old Mr. Norman was indifferent toward Leia's flattery, but *Old Mrs. Norman* was smiling from ear *to ear*.

"**You're so** considerate, my dear Leia. I heard that you were overseas for a movie shoot lately. Are you still jetlagged?" *Old Mrs. Norman* said gently as she held Leia's hand.

Leia mischievously stuck her tongue out. "I'm fine now, Grandma. I'm still very healthy. I bought this present for Grandpa when I was overseas. I hope you'll like it, Grandpa." "What did you buy, Leia? You shouldn't have spent so much money on a present..." *Old Mrs. Norman* opened the wrapping as she *spoke*.

In the box was a tobacco pipe made of carved jade. One could see that it was worth a lot of money.

"You're so considerate, Leia. Just a few days ago, the old man mentioned to me that he wanted a tobacco pipe, and now his wish came true on his birthday. How did you know that your Grandpa wanted a pipe?" *Old Mrs. Norman* smiled and said.

Old Mr. Norman looked at Leia with a complicated gaze but did not say anything.

Leia smiled. "As long as Grandpa likes it."

Once, when she was in her grandparents' house, she overheard her grandparents' conversation and found out that *Old Mr. Norman* liked to collect antique tobacco pipes. That was what gave her the inspiration for the present.

"**You're** so nice to your Grandpa, Leia. That makes me jealous. Never mind, it's his birthday today. He deserves the attention," *Old Mrs. Norman* said deliberately, but one could see that she was looking at Leia with a loving *gaze*.

The guests were envious of how Leia was close to her grandparents.

Old Mrs. Norman's neck and said coyly, "I'm not that heartless, Grandma. I've prepared something for her hand, and her agent that stood by the side brought over an exquisite for you, Grandma!" Leia handed it to *Old*

Mrs. Norman was surprised. She opened the box and found a classic-looking

the female guests looked at the shawl

a pretty shawl!" "The embroidery is so well

Norman was delighted when she heard the praise from

interjected appropriately. "Madam, Leia was the one who did the embroidery on the shawl. She spent more than a month doing that and even declined several movie

female guests exclaimed in surprise when they

did Leia really embroider that? Oh my, that looks amazing!" The guests seemed to be

Chapter 333 Bianca Seems Inexplicably Familiar

The woman who stood next to Luke was beautiful.

Bianca was dressed in a purple evening gown. When she moved, she was as graceful as a flower.

The shape of her eyes was like crescent moons whenever she smiled, and those eyes were sparkling like stars.

Queenie had seen many outstanding young women, but the young woman in front of her felt somewhat familiar.

What made Queenie most surprised was that the young woman's facial features looked similar to her when she was young...

When Bianca saw Queenie, she also thought that the elegant middle-aged woman seemed somewhat familiar too.

Queenie had gentle features. At the dinner party, her makeup and clothes hid her true age. Everyone thought that she was noble and friendly.

"Welcome to Old Mr. Norman's 70th birthday party. This way, please..." Queenie greeted the young couple.

Queenie was fond of Bianca because she thought that the young woman looked familiar. However, when her eyes fell on Luke, she was entirely captivated.

The young man was tall and well-built, and he carried a dominating presence. He was much more handsome in real life than in magazines. Leia had good taste, but...

"Mrs. Norman." Luke nodded slightly and greeted Queenie.

Luke as though she was her future mother-in-law. She was very satisfied, i 'The young man indeed looks outstanding, but why does he bring another woman to Old Mr. Norman's

know Leia's feelings for him?'

though Queenie was fond of Bianca at first glance, she was protective of her daughter, and she hoped that Bianca was not by

twenty years ago, she had lost her birth daughter. At the lowest point of her life, Leia had appeared in her life like an angel from heaven and alleviated the pain of the loss of her child,

many years, Queenie treated Leia like her birth

uneasy when she saw another woman appear by the side of the man her

woman's intuition is very sensitive. Bianca noticed Queenie's change in

did not understand why the noble and elegant woman would regard her as an enemy the first time they

That made Bianca feel apprehensive.

not have that worry. He held a gift box in his left hand and Bianca's hand in his right, walked around Queenie, exchanged some pleasantries with Jack, and walked toward Old

Norman was currently sipping

He already had a mountain of birthday presents in front of him. They were mostly healthcare products and *local specialties*.

Everyone knew that Old Mr. Norman was an honest and *upright politician*.

Once, a bureaucrat had tried to stuff a huge sum of money into a gift box in an attempt to bribe him. However, Old Mr. Norman instantly launched an investigation on that bureaucrat, which sent him to *prison*.

Old Mr. Norman's resolute decision had intimidated the other bureaucrats who wanted to use money to influence his *decision*.

They wanted to overthrow him, but Old Mr. Norman was connected with a more influential *VIP*.

Those people had no choice but to **behave**.

That was why Luke admired Old Mr. Norman.

Nowadays, there were not many honest and upright politicians like him.

Even after Old Mr. Norman retired, Luke nevertheless kept *that respect*.

He placed his gift into the pile and greeted Old Mr. Norman. "It's your 70th birthday today, Old Mr. Norman. I would like to wish you a healthy life. I brought you some cake from overseas, and I hope you'll like it." "Thank you, Luke. You know that I love cake, and you even bought some from overseas. I don't know what else to say." Old Mr. Norman laughed **heartily**.

Old Mr. Norman knew who Luke was. He was Old Master **Crawford's grandson**.

were younger, Old Mr. Norman and Old Master Crawford were close friends. One became a politician, and the other became a businessman. The differences between the two grew bigger, and they drifted apart from

their opinions might be different, Old Mr. Norman nonetheless admired Old Master Crawford, who had founded T Corporation and built it from the

Crawford's biggest regret was Zachary. That had made Old Mr. Norman look down upon Old Master Crawford's son, who only knew how to

only use that Zachary had was that he birthed an outstanding individual

Luke's leadership, T Corporation thrived both in and out of the country and had caused an economic boom in A

Mr. Norman admired that accomplished

was curious when he saw the pure woman next to Luke and asked curiously, "Luke, your partner
some reason, Old Mr. Norman was well-disposed toward Bianca at first
he did not treat his granddaughter Leia that
eyes were transfixed on Luke from
was dressed up formally and was especially charming. Leia's infatuation was brimming from her
Chapter 334 Queenie Meets Bianca...

Leia clenched her fists. How could Bianca be a match with the outstanding Luke?

Old Mr. Norman's eyes sparkled when he heard Luke's introduction of the woman. "Bianca Rayne? Is she
the same person that designed my new house?" "Yes, Old Mr. Norman, I am the one who designed your
house. If you have any feedback or suggestions about the design, you can contact me about anything."
Bianca's tone was gentle and soft, which satisfied Old Mr. Norman greatly.

'Mm, this young woman is not bad. Not only is she courteous, but she's also modest about her talents.'

Old Mr. Norman thought that Bianca was an extraordinary match for Luke.

At the same time, Old Mrs. Norman noticed her granddaughter's unpleasant expression.

From observing how Leia had never once looked away from the man, she knew that her granddaughter
had a crush on Luke. 1

However, when Luke said that the woman next to her was his girlfriend...

Leia's expression darkened instantly, and that had made Old Mrs. Norman feel sorry for her.

Old Mrs. Norman truly loved her granddaughter, unlike Old Mr. Norman.

She did not seem pleased with Bianca when she saw that Bianca had snatched Luke's love away from
her granddaughter.

Old Mrs. Norman sized up Bianca with a harsh gaze. "The young woman next to you, Luke, which family
is she from?"

Luke did not like how Old Mrs. Norman looked at Bianca, but he did not say it.

held Bianca's hand even more tightly. "She's not from any remarkable family, but she has won my
heart."

Norman sneered when she heard that Bianca was not a

her gaze on Bianca became even

young woman's appearance and bearing were outstanding, but Old Mrs. Norman was biased against
her. She thought that Bianca's modest mannerisms were a sign of

was baffled about why Old Mrs. Norman was so visibly hostile

the first time that she had met Old Mrs. Norman and Queenie, but for some reason, they looked at her

as though nothing happened. He hugged Bianca's waist and nodded at Old Mr. Norman. "I won't bother you any further, Sir. I'll bring her

could feel that Bianca was

frank, he would not want to participate in boring social gatherings like these if not for Old Mr.

Luke. Make yourselves at home," Old Mr. Norman said

Luke brought Bianca away.

looked on as the couple left. Her eyes flashed with an array of emotions. No one knew what she was

The five-star hotel had all sorts of amenities, such as internationally- themed bars, restaurants, cafes, and other entertainment outlets. It was like a mini holiday resort.

Luke brought Bianca to the observation *deck*.

The observation deck was behind an immense floor-to-ceiling window. Next to it was an oval crystal coffee table.

On the coffee table were a teapot and several exquisite porcelain cups. On the sides were two wicker chairs decorated with *wreaths*.

Sitting on the wicker chairs, one could look at the starry sky as well as the city *below*.

Most importantly, not many people went there, and it was a tranquil place.

"If you're not comfortable in the hall, then you can stay here. I'll bring you home when I've done my obligations." Luke carried Bianca to a *wicker chair*.

Then, he kissed her cheek, opened his wallet, and handed her a credit card. "Take the card and buy anything you want. However, you have to be back here before midnight, in case I can't find **you**."

Luke spoke to Bianca as though he was speaking to a **child**.

Bianca stood up awkwardly from the chair. "I know. I'm already **an adult**.

Would I go missing? I'll just wait for you here."

After getting assurance from Bianca, Luke went back to the banquet hall.

CEO of T Corporation, Luke might seem carefree, but there were certain obligations that he had were certain people he had to

left, Bianca lazily looked around

was an introvert, and she was not used to social situations. Moreover, it was the first time she had attended a socialite event, which made her even

she could be slightly

that Old Mr. Norman was a kind

she could not forget the strange gazes from Queenie and Old Mrs.
not understand why they seemed to be hostile toward
she did not trouble herself over that. After all, that was probably the only time that she would meet
toward the event hall from the
the hall, the ladies and gentlemen behaved elegantly, and relaxing music played from the
while holding wine glasses. It was like a scene from a television

Chapter 335 She Might Have Mistaken Them for Mother and Daughter...

Bianca's eyes looked at Queenie, who was daintily sipping her tea!

She no longer had any positive impressions of that woman.

Bianca knew that many people opposed her relationship with Luke because of their mismatched statuses, but she did not expect that the woman whom she had met for the first time was already asking her to leave Luke on her own accord.

"Whatever your motives might be, Mrs. Norman, I will not leave him," Bianca said coldly. She did not have any respect for Queenie.

Queenie fiddled elegantly with her teacup, but her words were harsh." Bianca, you are newly in love with Luke, and you might find that everything is romantic. However, you should know that falling in love is different from marriage. It's not a matter between two individuals but two families.

"Luke is Allison Tanner's son, and I am good friends with Allison. I know her very well. She wouldn't agree to an unremarkable woman like you being introduced into the household. Without your parents' blessings, your marriage won't last long.

"What do you think you can bring to the Crawford family with your status?

I'm afraid that you'll be nothing but a burden..."

heaved. "Mrs. Norman, you don't have to worry about what transpires between Luke and me. I only know that I love him, and he loves me. That's enough for the two of us. I admit that my family background isn't anything remarkable, but that's not a reason that we should break

gently, though it was as sharp as a knife. "You live in a fantasy world! Do you think that you only need love in a marriage, Ms. Rayne? When I said that a couple needs matching statuses, I'm not talking about just your families. How about your worldviews, your ambitions, and even your finances? All of those need

know about Leia's family background. We fully support our daughter marrying Luke, and we can bring to T Corporation human and financial resources that will cause it to

gone to elite schools since she was a child. Her results have always been top of

be in the entertainment industry, but the education she received is almost the same as Luke. The two of them are a perfect match. I'm asking you to leave Luke for your own good. You might think that there

are no problems now, but wait until Luke comes to his senses from his initial infatuation and realizes that you're not a suitable partner for him. When that happens and he suggests that the two of you breakup, you'll suffer a lot

stood up from the chair

girl's delicate body was trembling, but she

posture was like a poplar

you keep on saying that Leia is a suitable match for Luke, but have you ever asked Luke's opinion? Do you know if he likes Leia?" Bianca said

"Matching status is indeed important in a marriage, but a marriage without love is like a pond **without fish**.

"I don't know what brought you and your husband together. Maybe Mr. Norman pampers you, and you don't understand how despairing it can be to be stuck in a loveless marriage. I can tell you with my experience, Madam, that when two people who don't love each other are bound by marriage, it would be torture even if they stood near each other, much less live together. Luke doesn't like your daughter. Would you rather your daughter be a grass **widow?**" **2**

Bianca thought that Queenie would at least frown, become angry, or give her a retort. Perhaps she would act like in cliched romance dramas, throwing a check with a huge sum at her while humiliating her...

*If that were the case, Bianca would ride on her anger and continue arguing **with Queenie**.*

To Bianca's surprise, Queenie seemed indifferent toward her words. Her gaze was gentle, and her patient expression made Bianca wonder if she was in the wrong.

Bianca became more alert.

Queenie was the wife of a politician. No wonder she could maintain her *composure!*

Queenie smiled when she saw that Bianca had become more alert. She placed the teacup on the coffee table and said gently. "Bianca, it's my fault for making such a sudden request. Leia has admired Luke for a very long time, and my daughter rarely has someone that she loves. I'm her mother, and it's normal for me to fight for my daughter. I hope you don't mind what I said earlier; what I did was out of love for *my daughter*."

Queenie acted amiably, as though what she did earlier was because she loved her *daughter*.

could not argue further, seeing that Queenie had apologized first without losing her

nonetheless felt that the air on the observation deck

up from the chair and looked kindly

gaze seemed to be complicated when she saw that Bianca looked similar to her. "That's all I have to say for now. I'm not going to force you, it's just that I find Leia to be a more suitable partner for Luke. Maybe

you might feel uneasy because of what I said, but what I said is indeed the truth. You're an intelligent child, and maybe you should rethink your

left, Bianca sat on the wicker chair. Her heart

the tea in large gulps. The tea was slightly sweet, but it tasted bitter in her

Norman liked Luke Crawford. No wonder that celebrity seemed to be hostile to

believed that Luke loved only her and no other woman. Otherwise, Queenie's words might cause her to be suspicious

Mrs. Norman was a formidable adversary.

Chapter 336 Get Luke In Bed With You

"You're overthinking it. There are so many people in the world who look like each other. Look at Leia. She has two stunt doubles at work that look like her... It's nothing out of the ordinary. If people who look alike are related to each other by blood, then there are so many pairs of long-lost parents and children in the world," Queenie said carelessly.

Even when she said so, her gaze fell on the red wine in the glass.

The bright red liquid seemed to reflect the defiant figure on the observation deck.

The young woman named Bianca Rayne might look frail, but she was not easy to handle.

Queenie's gaze returned to calmness.

Bianca was an obstacle in her daughter's path to pursue happiness.

Queenie would do anything so that her daughter was happy.

She had owed too much to her birth daughter, who had left the world prematurely, and she would spend all her love and care on Leia. 2

After greeting several important guests, Leia sat next to the bar counter with her friend and ate from a fruit platter.

friend was named Charmaine Weish. Like her name, she was full of seductive

beauty was different from Leia's pure

knew how to dress up. She looked like a fashion model from a magazine at all

Leia was first brought to the Norman family, she dressed shabbily, and the other socialite daughters often laughed at her. Eventually, she became friends with Charmaine, the illegitimate daughter of the Weish family. Charmaine was the one who had instilled a fashion sense in

had her way of winning a

cunning and scheming. Otherwise, she would not have survived in the Weish family as an illegitimate learned a lot

the two young women were talking, Leia's eyes remained transfixed
easily guess what Leia was

She elbowed Leia and joked at her, "Keep your eyes away from Mr. Crawford's pants, Ms. Norman. If you like him so much, why don't you take the opportunity to confess to *him*, *hmm?*"

Then, she flashed a mischievous smile at **Leia**.

Leia instantly blushed. "What do you know? I truly like him, but I'd be so embarrassed if he rejects my advances. Moreover, he already has someone he likes."

Leia could not help but feel jealous when she remembered how Luke had pampered *Bianca*.

More than jealousy was a feeling of **dejection**.

"So what about it? Even if they're married, he can always divorce her, and they're not even married yet! You have to fight for your own happiness, Leia. If he doesn't know what you think, then you should let him know..."

Charmaine lit a cigarette and dragged it lazily. Even Leia, as a woman, was bewitched for **a moment**.

She glanced enviously at Charmaine. "How should I let him know? There's no use. My Mom said that the fastest way to a man's heart is by his stomach. I made some chicken soup and sent it to him in his office, but he ignored me anyway. I'm not going to embarrass myself like that anymore." "Just watch me, silly!" Charmaine flicked her hair, winked at several men who were chatting not far away, and inadvertently flashed her cleavage. Then, she quickly covered up her chest with a **shawl**.

As expected, those men stopped their conversation and **gulped hard**.

brimmed with desire as they looked

you see that, Leia? All these men might look serious, but they're all the same inside. If you treat them with your body, they'll do anything for you. You're a famous celebrity from a wealthy family, and you have an excellent figure. There's no reason why a man would

close to Leia's ear and continued to convince her. "It's your grandfather's 70th birthday today. Everyone here is an important person in their social circle. Say, if Luke makes out in bed with you, do you think that he'll be able to deny it? This is the perfect

her arms and looked embarrassed. "Do you... think that it can happen, Charmaine? How should I get him in bed with me? I've never done it with a man before, and I've heard that it'll

had a strict upbringing. Her parents never allowed her to mingle with men. She had obeyed her parents' teaching, and even when she was in the entertainment industry, she had never shot any kissing scenes. Her doubles would replace her in the scene, which was an oddity in the

the director and producer could not say anything about it because of Leia's father, even though they were extremely

her parents, not because she did not have any desires, but because she was afraid that her parents might disown her if she did not behave. If that happened, she would be reduced to that miserable life once

not want to experience that ever

was why she had been "obedient" over

Chapter 337 Feeling Uneasy

Leia saw her reflection in the glass panel.

The pure white evening gown with an oblique shoulder had a plunging V neckline that revealed her fair cleavage. The pleats behind revealed a large portion of her back.

The gown also had a high side slit that caused her long and slender legs to move in and out of sight as she walked.

With her pure looks and seductive gown, Leia believed that she was beautiful and bewitching.

She nodded at herself, satisfied.

She might look down on Charmaine's sexual habits, but she had to admit that Charmaine had great fashion sense. After many years of friendship, her fashion sense was influenced by Charmaine.

The guests offered praise to Leia as she walked by.

Some men even asked her for her number, which greatly satisfied Leia's pride.

However, she was feeling extremely nervous, even more so than her shooting her first movie.

Her heart thumped wildly as she looked at Luke, who was talking to some other people...

She frowned.

a way to get Luke into a room with

she was figuring out something, a small figure ran in from the side and knocked squarely

was lost in thought and did not pay

was wearing high heels. Her high heels twisted, and she fell on the floor. The small bottle in her hand slipped from her fingers and rolled

watched as the small plastic bottle holding the hallucinogen rolled forward until it stopped next to the feet of a rough and

was tall and muscular. He was dressed in military fatigues and had a beard on

button of his shirt was undone, and the bronze-colored muscular chest was revealed. He looked extremely rugged, though his gaze flashed with danger

looked like a reaper of the dead, and he inspired fear in whoever was looking

the small plastic bottle that stopped to his boots, bent down, and picked it

was a line of Greek on the bottle: "ippaKO yia to

it, he carefully brought his nose close to the opening and sniffed it slightly. Sensing the familiar gas, he narrowed his eyes and glanced dangerously

brazenly fiddled with the bottle in his

Leia was both shocked and flustered when she saw the man pick up the hallucinogenic **drug**.

Charmaine had said that the bottle was labeled "cold medicine" in Greek. Normal people would not suspect anything.

The man did not seem like he was well-educated. He should not know what the words **said**.

Leia felt slightly at ease when she thought of that.

She was about to land on the floor when a gentleman grabbed her waist in time so that she did not have to "kiss" the *floor*.

"**Are you** OK, Ms. Norman?" The man rubbed Leia's waist and did not look like he was going to let go. His eyes were brimming *with admiration*.

Leia was Jack Norman's only daughter. The man thought that if he could win her heart, it would be very helpful to grow his business.

He believed that all the single men in attendance would be thinking of the same **thing**.

Leia looked at the man who seemed to be in his thirties. His face was rather unremarkable and filled with pimples. Even though he was wearing an expensive suit, it could not hide his pot **belly**.

Leia was immediately repulsed by his looks. However, she maintained **her composure**.

"*Thank you, Sir. I would've hurt myself. Can you please let me go now?*" Leia *said dismissively*.

pot bellied man heard her say that, he sheepishly let her

walked toward the child who had knocked into her and was planning to reprimand

child was a five or six-year-old boy. He was incredibly handsome. His eyes were big, round, and animated, and his eyelashes were long

was dressed in a white tuxedo, and he looked like Prince Charming who had walked out of a fairy

name was Simon Holston, the only son of

the party with his father. When he was playing with a few other children, he accidentally bumped into a pretty lady. When he saw the lady walking toward him, he pulled his cheeks and stuck his tongue out. Before the lady could say anything, he ran away like the

he did not run away, the lady might complain to his father. If that happened, his father would spank him when they

Leia was furious. 'What a brat!'

could not lose her temper in public, especially not to a

smiled helplessly and walked in front of the bearded man. She looked at him with her sparkling eyes and said gently, "I'm sorry, Sir, I've dropped my cold medicine earlier, and I saw that you picked it up. Could you please return it

man's name was Wayne Blatt. His father and grandfather were military officers, and he was in the special

He stared straight at Leia.

Chapter 338 Luke Humiliated Her In Public!

In the event hall.

"Cheers!" Three equally outstanding men with different appearances clinked their wine glasses together. They attracted the attention of many women around them.

It could be said that the three individuals amassed the wealth of the entire A City.

The first was Luke Crawford, the CEO of T Corporation, the second was Percy Mallory, CEO of Mallory Corporation, and the third was Jim Holston, the chairman of Holston Corporation. Not many people knew that the three people with different personalities were good friends in college.

The three of them have maintained a close relationship since then.

Luke's facial features were impeccable, and his temperament was calm and mature. His profound gaze was dangerous and penetrating, which caused men to tremble and women to be flustered. Even though the man was famous in the business circles inside and outside of the country, he had kept a clean-living image and was the top target of admiration for female socialites in A City.

Jim Holston was unbelievably handsome. He had mixed-blood features, and his amber-colored eyes were sparkling with intelligence, passion, and elegance.

Holston Corporation, his family business, was worth tens of billions. He was a shrewd person; he might seem kind and gentle, but everyone who knew him knew that he was very good at manipulating personal relationships and was the typical wolf in sheep's clothing.

He was a notorious womanizer and often appeared in the gossip section of many newspapers and magazines.

Jim had a five-year-old son, but no one knew who the mother was.

that could not stop many women from falling for

Mallory's beauty was almost feminine. His skin was as fair as snow, which was a stark contrast to the sapphire ring that he wore on

was dressed in a black trenchcoat, which made him look elegant and dapper. He might be the CEO of Mallory Corporation on the surface, but no one knew that he was the mafia kingpin of A City, whose merciless ways made people tremble with

chatting with the two other men, but his gaze occasionally glanced toward the observation

punched Luke's shoulder. "I didn't expect that you're the first one to find a wife among us, Luke. Not bad, your wife is very

smiled bewitchingly. "You aren't too bad either. Your son is already five years old. I wonder who is his his wine glass toward Jim. "I'm curious

when he saw his two best friends intending to find out his secrets. "Tsk, Percy, didn't you ask Luke when he had his twins too? Did he tell you the answer? He's been keeping the identity of the twins' birth mother as a secret from us, and we only know who she is very recently. Say, if you can't find out anything from him back then, what makes you think that you can find out anything from me? Would you believe it if I said that my son's mother is an otherworldly

Percy rolled his eyes at Jim.

and took a sip of his wine but

The three elite men started talking **about business**.

Leia walked toward them.

She was immersed in the entertainment industry for many years, and she knew how to behave in public.

Everywhere she went, she was like a brilliant lantern that attracted everyone's **eyes**.

"Luke..."

Leia swayed in front of the three people and grabbed onto Luke's arm as though she was very close to *him*.

Her eyes stared at him for a while, then turned to look at his two friends." Good evening, gentlemen. Are you *Luke's friends*?"

Percy and Jim looked at each other. Their eyes flashed with **anticipation**.

'Doesn't the woman know that Luke hated strangers **touching him**?'

Luke frowned sullenly.

disgusted by Leia touching him, or any stranger touching him for that matter. However, he did not wish to lose his temper in public, and he discreetly pulled his arm

sorry, Ms. Norman. I'm not fond of acquaintances touching me," he said

at her arm and felt slightly awkward for a

her smile, though she sounded aggrieved.

Jim observed the interaction curiously.

Norman's daughter have a crush on

know that Luke has a pair of twins, and the identity of their birth mother is

she mind that she'll be a mother of two children if she

knew how to alleviate the awkward situation. He stretched out his right hand and said, "Nice to meet you, Ms. Norman. I am Jim Holston, the person in charge of Holston Corporation. I've seen your movies before. I thought that you're already very beautiful on the silver screen, but I didn't expect that you look even more beautiful in real life. Are you old friends with our

knew who Jim and Percy were. The two men might be extremely desirable bachelors, but one of them was a notorious playboy, and the other looked sinister. She was more fond of the virtuous Luke, who did not have any

Chapter 339 Hoisted by Her Own Petard

It was the first time that Jim and Percy had met Bianca.

Bianca was beautiful like a pearl, and her femininity was unique.

She exuded a motherly charm when she was patiently comforting the naughty Simon.

Luke's eyes had been eagerly transfixed on Bianca's pure face the moment she appeared. That made Leia extremely jealous.

"Daddy"

Simon held Bianca's hand, walked up to his father, and hugged his leg. "Daddy, I found this beautiful lady at the observation deck. She's Lanie and Rainie's mommy, and she's very nice. Can you find me a mommy as nice as her?" He happily introduced Bianca to his father.

Jim pulled his son's ear and pretended to be angry. "You brat, I've found so many mommies for you, but they've all ran away because you keep pranking them. What makes you think that I'll find another one?"

Simon pouted, covered his eyes, and pretended to cry. "Daddy, those women are ugly and stinky. They don't smell as nice as this lady. And, and... they're all wicked witches. They treat me nice when you're around, but once you're gone, they abuse me... Boo hoo hoo, my daddy doesn't love me, and I don't have a mommy. Nobody wants me..."

Bianca's motherly instincts flared when she saw how miserable the cute boy was.

She carried Simon into her arms and comforted him. "Be a good boy, Simon. Rainie is your age, and she doesn't cry that easily..." "I wish you were my mommy, boo hoo..." Simon said as he hugged Bianca's neck. His eyes were red, and he seemed incredibly aggrieved.

there was not a single tear in those

helpless. He knew that his son was a cunning one. Simon might sound like he was bawling hard, but he was only howling without actually

an innocent woman like Bianca would fall for his

I don't wanna be with Daddy anymore. He's a baddie. Hmph! I love you, Madam. Can you bring me around to play?" Simon looked at Bianca with his

was utterly charmed by Simon's handsome looks. "I'll bring the boy around the place, Luke. Can you let me know before

Bianca's hand. "Alright. Call me if you

landed a kiss on her lips in front of

not too worried about their safety. After all, the five-star hotel had many hidden surveillance cameras that ensured the safety of all the important guests in

Bianca blushed instantly. "I know."

had given up on trying to convince the man to keep his displays of affection private. However, she nonetheless felt warmth in

a regular in this hotel, Ms. Rayne, and I know this place quite well. How about if I bring you around?" Leia said eagerly to Bianca, holding down the jealousy in her

Ever since Queenie went to talk to Bianca, Bianca was wary about Leia, who coveted *her man*.

Just when she was trying to tactfully decline Leia's "good intentions," the boy next to her grimaced at Leia. "I don't want you to come with us. You're an ugly granny. I only want Miss Bea and no one else..."

Leia almost lost her temper when she heard what Simon *said*.

Not only the boy had called her ugly, but he called her a granny too!

She was young and beautiful, not a granny!

She might be well-mannered, but her expression was starting to turn **unpleasant**.

Bianca gently flicked Simon's head with a finger and alleviated the awkward situation. "You shouldn't be rude, young man. It shows that you're not well-educated. You're a gentleman, and you should treat people courteously, especially women. **Understand?**"

Simon nodded obediently and poked his tongue at Bianca. "Thank you, Miss Bea. I won't be so naughty **anymore**."

Jim's eyes nearly popped out of their sockets.

Was that soft-spoken boy the same naughty and stubborn little devil back at *home*?

That was an eye-opener!

Simon to the hotel's theme park. It was designed like a circus. The decorations and colors

park had many attractions, including slides, a jungle gym, a maze, a carousel, and a bubble gallery. It was many times more technologically advanced than normal

children there were children of the hotel guests, so there were not many people

played very happily, perhaps because the beautiful Miss Bea was

and Bianca hand-made many bubbles in the bubble gallery, and their laughter echoed far and

Wayne stood behind a log cabin, observing

that the man seemed to be interested in Bianca. She held down the disgust in her heart and asked, 'So what do you think of that woman? She's pure and beautiful, right? How about I get her into

moment, she changed her

thought that she could slowly change Luke's feelings

she realized that she could not tolerate

at how lovingly Luke treated Bianca, Leia only wanted to destroy

Chapter 340 Romance in the Snow

Wayne was very good at anti-reconnaissance. He pushed Leia's face toward his chest.

No one could see the woman in his arms clearly. They would think that he was a playboy flirting with a woman. After all, it was a common occurrence in high-class hotels.

That was how Wayne avoided detection by the hidden cameras.

He went out of the hotel with the half-conscious Leia in his hands.

After that, he flung her into a black luxury car and started to greedily tear her clothes.

Leia's gown was already skimpy. It did not take him long to remove all her clothes.

The man's brazen gaze devoured Leia, whose consciousness continued to slip away.

'Hmm, this woman has a fine face. I didn't expect that she also has an excellent figure that can bewitch any man!'

His body flared with the fires of desire, and he pounced onto Leia like a moth drawn to a flame!

'Oh!

'My god!

'What a perfect woman!'

loved that body dearly, but that made him want to ravage her

slowly regained consciousness from the violent

drug-fueled hallucination, she thought that Wayne was

brimmed with joy when she thought that the man of her dreams was touching

Luke... ahh... can't you be a little... gentler..." The man was biting her, but the pain had given her unspeakable

not tell who the person on top of her

his head and looked at the woman pinned under him. He was not very happy that she mistook him for someone

coldly, resolving that he would not treat the woman without

Luke, it hurts, no..." Leia frowned

yelped in pain, and tears were welling up in

eyes evoked pity, but that only made Wayne want to ravage her

'She's still a virgin?'

cackled evilly. That had made him want to be more violent

The sounds of passion echoed in the narrow space of the car.

"Ow..." Leia pouted and said coyly.

"Does it hurt? You'll be begging for mercy soon!" Wayne said.

*She felt as though her bones were **coming apart**.*

The strange feeling hurt, but the waves of pleasure made Leia moan. "Ahh ... ahh... I can't take it anymore..."

Even as she said so, her hands gripped Wayne tightly and did not let him go.

"So what is it? Do you want it or not?" Wayne said unhappily.

"Mmm... I want it..." She was about to pass out from that deadly *sensation*.

'No Wonder Charmaine likes to make out with men so much. The sensation is heavenly!' "Ohh... this feels great..." Leia closed her eyes and surrendered her body to the man.

"Bad girl, maybe I should let you see how naughty you've been!" Wayne took out his phone and pointed the camera at Leia's *body*.

Leia was unaware of all that!

All she knew in her stupor was waves upon waves of *unending pleasure!*

was experiencing utter bliss, thinking that the man of her dreams was finally hers! Luke, the object of envy of all young female socialites, was

to bear his child and claim him forever! With his child, her status would not be the same...

had started to snow when Luke and Bianca got out of the

a thick layer of snow covered the roads in the

it's snowing!" Bianca was happy like a child. She struggled out of Luke's hands, hopped onto an empty piece of land, and stomped on

barely ever seen snow in her life. That was why she was

it was almost midnight, there were many pedestrians on

a college town nearby, and many students walked in the streets in pairs. A playful boy shook a tree, and snow fell from

and play with me, Luke!" Bianca laughed and grabbed

ran excitedly on the

smiled helplessly as he looked at the childish Bianca. He put on the hoodie of the down jacket for her and redid

hair fell from both sides of

she smiled at him, she looked like a