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So, he had chosen to remain silent, fearing that he might ruin her plans.

Memory confusion could resolve the awkwardness, but such self-damaging methods were not encouraged.

And it was his fault for leaving her with this dilemma.

He intended to give her enough time to cool down, fearing she might marry him on a whim. He hoped she would think it through, not expecting it to drive her to harm herself.

He should have just said yes at the time.

"Do you really want to marry me?" Adrian paused for a few seconds, then asked again. "Are you sure you won't regret it?"

"No regrets," Carina replied.

Carina couldn't think of a reason she might regret it. She had given up on love and was fine living alone.

She wouldn't pass up the chance to latch onto

Adrian, her rock of support.

It would be so satisfying to infuriate Stella and to utterly ruin Steve and Violet.

Her only fear was that Adrian would have second thoughts, so she needed to reassure him.

"Mr. Lorenz, we could sign an agreement. If you ever meet someone you like, or if you get tired of me, we can just get divorced.

After the divorce, I won't take a single penny of your wealth. I'll leave with nothing but myself."

She didn't care about the future; she only cared about the present.

Right now, she was burning with anger, and only Adrian could help her vent it.

Adrian ignored her last remark.

"Since you have no regrets," Adrian said, his gaze piercing into hers. "How about we get our marriage license as soon as you're discharged from the hospital?"

Carina was stunned. "Get married as soon as I'm discharged?"

"Too soon?" Adrian asked with a smile. "When would you like to do it? I'm flexible."

"Not too soon at all!"

Carina was just surprised he agreed so readily, and she quickly agreed, "Getting married right after I'm discharged, I'm fine with that!"

He had finally agreed, and she knew she had to strike while the iron was hot, or else he might change his mind.

Adrian stepped out and returned with a basin holding hot water and a white towel soaking in it.

"The basin and towel are clean. I can't help you now, but once we're married, I'll help you wash."

Carina hadn't understood at first, but then she looked at the basin and then at his calm gaze and suddenly remembered the confused words she had spoken earlier.

She thought Candice was coming and complained of feeling hot, asking Candice to help her wash up.

So, he meant that his current status wasn't appropriate, but after they were married, he could help her wash.

Her face flushed with embarrassment, and she stammered out a thanks.

Adrian set the basin on the floor.

"I just called Candice; she's downstairs now. Wait a bit, and she'll come up to help you. I'll leave when she arrives."

Carina simply replied, "Oh, okay."

"He really agreed?" Candice asked surprisingly.

With that confirmation, Candice was thrilled and energetically helped Carina scrub her back.

"Adrian agreed to marry you because he owes you his life. What does that tell you?

It shows he's a man of his word, and those who value their promises are usually very responsible."

Candice poked Carina's cheek with her finger.

"You need to make him fall in love with you. A guy like Adrian, if he really loves someone, he will treat her like a queen."

Carina was silent.

Made him fall for her?

What a joke! She couldn't even charm Steve, let alone hook Adrian's soul.

Candice threw a towel into the basin, pulled off

her clothes, sat on the bed, and half-embraced her.

"Carina, even though the marriage isn't for love, you still need to live your life and make your marriage work. Trust me, Adrian is truly worth committing to for life."

Candice hadn't encouraged Carina to pursue Adrian just for revenge.

Carina, consistently so bold and fierce in front of others, actually lacked security.

Before Stella was brought back to the Roland family, Carina was the cherished little princess, naive and delightful, loved by everyone as a little angel.

Then Stella stole the family's affection from her, and she fell out of favor, becoming quieter. Carina's grandmother, Sophia, pitied her and took her in for a few years.

Brad and Sophia didn't get along well, and Michelle had issues with her too. So, Carina's relationship with her parents worsened after she moved in with Sophia.

Sophia truly loved Carina, supporting her and treating her like a princess, sadly passing away early. When Carina was in high school, she passed

away, and soon after, Carina had her troubles.

After that incident, Carina went abroad for treatment, and upon returning, her personality drastically changed.

It wasn't sudden; she was alone overseas for five years. The Roland family felt disgraced by the incident and largely ignored her plight.

Steve, hindered by his mother, Yolanda, never visited Carina once.

A heart once burning with sincerity didn't cool in a day.

Carina might appear carefree, but her heart was full of scars.

Candice always felt that Steve, still immature and emotionally unstable, wasn't right for her.

Adrian, though older, was the most suitable man for Carina among those she knew.

Adrian was single for so many years, solitary and discreet, with no scandals, mature and emotionally stable.

Most importantly, he could provide Carina with emotional security and had the means to protect her.

Much better than the impulsive, quick-tempered Steve, who was quick to change his heart and cheat.

In Candice's eyes, it wasn't that Steve had no feelings for Carina.

His betrayal and cheating were more about revenge.

Revenge for the time Carina saved Adrian. He was too hypocritical to admit it.

His love for Violet wasn't that deep, just a delusion he convinced himself of over time.

Someday, he would regret it.



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