

Chapter 11 Why Would They Tell Him To Perform A DNA Test

Derick grabbed his right shoulder all of a sudden and groaned in pain, he shut his eyes tightly like someone enduring a deep pain. Katherine could sense that something was wrong, he rushed to him and took his hand off his shoulder, he was stunned to see that he was bleeding internally.

He was hurt in the same place he was injured when they first met. She had thought that he would heal in no time after treating him but many days had passed and yet the wound had opened up again.

"Hold on here, please. Let me get you my kit," she said and wanted to run away but he grabbed her wrist.

Katherine was shocked. Her heart raced. His grip on her hand wasn't tight or hard, infact, it was gentle. But she felt a burning sensation in her wrist and her heart reacted to it. She yanked her hand off immediately.

"What?"

"Just help me home, then you can treat me inside my room," he said.

"Oh! Aren't you punishing me again?"

"After you have healed me," he said bluntly.

"Okay..." Katherine walked closer to him and his scent filled her nostrils. His scents were so alluring and refreshing. She wished she could remain this close to him forever. What in the world was she thinking? She brought herself back to

consciousness but she didn't know where to hold him.

She was nervous to even touch him.

"It's not like I can't work," Derick saw her nervousness and began to walk to the house they both shared. Katherine heaved a sigh of relief. She then followed behind him, watching how tall and broad he is.

Once they were inside, the two kids stood and asked him, "where is our mommy?"

Katherine who was behind him appeared and said, "I'm here."

The children heaved a sigh of relief and went to hug their mommy, "mommy, we made that man punish you. We are so sorry." Although they were boys, they couldn't help but cry. They thought that Derick had heavily punished Katherine.

Derick turned and saw how emotional the kids are. He turned back and walked to his room.

"He actually didn't punish me," Katherine said.

"Really? Mommy, are you telling the truth?" Michael asked.

"Yes. He's injured at the moment and I need to attend to him. Go and stay with your sister. I'll be with you shortly." He said.

"Alright mommy," the two boys believed her then they walked to their sister's room. They were so relieved that their mommy wasn't punished.

Katherine went to pick up her kits then walked inside Derick's room. Derick sat on the bed, his back resting on the bed and his two legs long stretched on the bed.

Katherine placed her kits beside the bed then sat on the edge of the bed, "Marshall, this will hurt, please endure."

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"I have endured greater pain, just do your thing," his voice lacked emotions.

Katherine nodded and began to treat him. As hurtful as the stuffs she applied to him was, he didn't make a sound. No wonder he's called the god of war, she thought to herself.

After she was done, she arranged her kits well and spoke, "can I ask you a question?"

"Go on."

"How did you sustain this injury? I thought it was just a gunshot but it seems there is something more to this. I also think that you should have healed with my last treatment but now that have treated it again, I hope it heal totally. But if you can tell me how you sustain the injury, maybe I can know a more precise way to treat you." Katherine said.

"During the recently concluded war, I was shot by a very powerful bullet that weakened me. Nonetheless, I tried to escape, during my Hush, a big snake bit me in the exact same place. I don't know what type of snake it is but I know it's Vernon must be very powerful." He answered.

"Oh my! I'm so sorry, Marshall..." Katherine said, "I'll think of something else to do to help you heal permanently."

"Thank you." He said simply.

Katherine nodded, she suddenly spoke again, "You had a fiancée without bothering to inform me. Not like I'm questioning what you did, but do I also have the right to have a fiancée?"

"This marriage is ..."

"...not real, I know," she interrupted, "I'm just asking if I have the

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right to do what you do?"

"I didn't choose to have a fiancée, it's complicated..." He said, wondering if he should explain how he ends up having Donna has a fiancée or not. "Are you jealous?"

"Jealous?" Katherine scoffed, "Far from it."

"I think you punish Donna cause you are jealous that she's my fiancée?" He said. That was what he believed.

"For me to be jealous then I have to be in love with you but I'm not in love with you, neither are you in love with me. I'll return to Eastern Ocean City in a couple of months and we may never get to meet again for the rest of our lives so what is there to be jealous about?" Katherine said and stood, "anyways, I won't keep an affair outside of this marriage. I don't have to be like you. I should take my leave now."

"Your children..." He suddenly spoke.

Her heart skipped as soon as he mentioned her children, "who is their father and why are you not with him?"

"It's personal. Can you not ask me something like this in the future?"

He hummed and said, "your children wants me to perform a DNA test on them."

Katherine's heart almost fall off on hearing that. A DNA test? Gosh! Why does this kid always have to put her in trouble?

As troubled as her heart is, she smirked and asked, "we met a few days ago... Ignore those kids. They are just being childish."

He observed her for a minute and said, "you tell me whom their father is or I perform a DNA test." Not like Derick wanted

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to perform a DNA test, he was so sure he wasn't the kid's father, afterall, he had known the woman he had a night stand seven years ago. But he was curious to know whom the kid's father is.

Katherine didn't even know why her heart was palpitating, it's not like this man before her is her baby's father. He probably wants to perform a DNA test because he had the same resemblance with the kids.

Should she lie to him that the children's father is dead? It's too early to start their relationships based on lies. Yet, she can't tell him that her children were a product of a one night stand.

All of a sudden, Derick's phone rang. He checked and seeing whom the caller ID is, his face contorted a little, he dismissed Katherine before answering the call.

Katherine was glad he received a call at that sensitive time. Otherwise, she didn't know what she would have said. But why was he talking about doing a DNA test with her kids? Did he really mean it? Was he serious about it? Katherine was troubled. Katherine then decided to warn her kids to stop being troublesome. Why would they tell Derick that he should perform a DNA test on them?