

Chapter 106 Morning Talk

After seeing the guests out, Gordon returned to the guest room and said, "Alana, father asked to see you in the study. Please take it easy and make sure you explain things slowly to him. If you do it that way, he will understand."

"Gordon, do you know why father asked for me? I'm scared."

Alana's stomach was fluttering. The thought of Byron questioning her frightened her.

The men they had invited were all potential business partners and connections of the Shen family, and she had refused them all. Her father must be livid with her.

Moreover, Eric had turned his phone off, so she couldn't contact him.

"Don't worry about it. I'll take care of everything here. Just go! He's your father. I'm sure he won't give you a hard time," Janessa said. Her comforting words worked. Alana was able to summon up the courage to meet with her father.

She had no choice but to go to him. Byron was the master of the house, and what he said was final. Gordon and Alana both wouldn't dare to disobey him.

With Alana gone, Gordon finally had the chance to talk with Janessa.

"You look like you've lost some weight recently. Has work been stressful lately?" Gordon wanted to ask her this question the moment he saw her. Janessa looked visibly thinner.

After all, she had gone through so much these past few months. Unfortunately, Gordon couldn't be the one to care for her.

"Me? I'm fine. I've been eating more lately, so I thought I would've gained some weight by now!" Janessa touched her face and smiled sheepishly at Gordon.

Recently, she heard the news from Alana that Gordon was kept under house arrest by his parents. It seemed like the Shen family was determined to keep them apart.

Mrs. Shen's words still rang in her ears.

"Make sure to eat regularly. I think you would look more beautiful if you put on more weight." As Gordon looked at her delicate shoulders, he wanted nothing more than to hold her in his arms. However, Janessa looked at her watch and was about to leave.

"It's getting late. I won't be waiting for Alana to come back. Please tell her that I'll call her later." Because of Gordon, the Shen family would never let her spend the night at their house.

"I... I'll arrange a driver for you." Gordon tried to say more, but he couldn't think of the right words to say. He left the room to arrange a car for her.

Janessa also had some matters to attend to, so she quickly gathered her clothes and went home in the car Gordon arranged for her.

When she returned home, she tried to call Eric, but his phone was turned off.

After taking a steaming hot bath, Janessa felt more relaxed. As she looked at her clothes strewn all over her sofa, she pulled out the note from her bag.

She immediately recognized Rayan's bold and aggressive handwriting.

They were already divorced. Why would Rayan buy a dress for her?

Janessa recalled seeing the dress during fashion week. At the time, she remembered being fond of it, but she didn't have the money to buy it.

Much to her surprise, Rayan ended up purchasing it for her.

What could his actions mean?

She carefully put the dress, jewelry, and shoes back into the bag. Tomorrow, she would return them to Rayan.

The next day, Janessa woke up early. Before she got out of bed, she received a WeChat message from Linda, who asked her to come to her office that morning.

Did Linda want to speak with her because she wasn't willing to work overtime last night?

When Janessa arrived at the office, she noticed that Sally didn't look so good. The only reason Sally ordered everyone to work overtime was to prevent Janessa from leaving. However, she didn't expect Janessa to ignore her words and left right after. Sally had to work overtime until ten o'clock in the evening with everyone else.

By the time Sally got home and took a shower, it was almost midnight!

Janessa headed straight for Linda's office. Linda didn't scold her and only stressed the importance of the plan with the Gu Group.

"This project is of utmost importance to the company. The top executive assigned it to you personally. Don't screw it up." Linda shot Janessa an envious look. The plan should've been hers, but Mr. Lu assigned it to Janessa instead.

If it were an ordinary assignment, Linda wouldn't have been so bothered. However, Rayan even hired another planner, Liana, to work with Janessa.

Because of that, Linda lost her opportunity to be involved in the project.

Janessa had a more comfortable work experience at the planning department ever since Liana started working there. Working with Liana limited her interaction with her other coworkers. Janessa liked her new work partner.

The two immediately got on with each other the moment they met.

When Janessa was about to leave the office in the evening, Corbin came down from the CEO's office to deliver some clothes and jewelry to Janessa. "Mr. Lu has scheduled dinner with the Gu Group tonight. As the lead planner of the project, your attendance was requested."

Rayan even picked out clothes for her to wear, so how could she refuse?

Janessa felt helpless as she looked at the pile of clothing and jewelry. There was already a set for her at home, and now she had another set. It seemed like she had no choice but to go to the dinner with the Gu Group.

"Corbin, will you also be attending the dinner party?" In these kinds of events, there were often drinks. Janessa had never been a good drinker. What if the other party wanted to drink a lot of alcohol tonight?

"I don't want to go, but it seems I have to. What a shame! I had a date with my girlfriend tonight, but now I have to cancel!"

Corbin whined. As the others passed by Janessa, they looked at the large bag of clothes and jewelry in envy. They couldn't help but feel jealous that she had received a gift from Rayan.

"Janessa, you are the pride of our department! I believe in you!"

"Wow, this is limited edition!" One of Janessa's colleagues was deeply interested in fashion, which meant that she immediately recognized the clothing that was given to Janessa.

Looking from afar, Sally tapped her nail on the table in displeasure.

Why did Janessa get so many opportunities to attend business trips and dinners with the CEO? Corbin was also attending tonight! Janessa was out of her league!

Janessa ignored all of them and grabbed a taxi to Amy's studio. After getting her hair and makeup done, she sent Corbin a message to ask where the dinner would be.

She planned on going there by herself, and she didn't expect Corbin to reply so soon.

"Mr. Lu has prepared a car for you. The car should be waiting for you outside."

A car for me? Outside?

Was Rayan inside the car too?

Janessa hesitantly walked out of the studio and found Rayan's car parked outside.

He decided to bring a different car tonight. It was a limousine.

Janessa couldn't help but feel impressed with the car. The car was so large that she didn't have to sit so close to Rayan.

After getting inside the car, Janessa made sure to sit as far away from him as possible.

"Think twice before you answer Nolan's question tonight."

"What could he mean by that?" Janessa thought to herself.

Janessa looked up at him in confusion. Why would he suddenly tell her something like that? Did he think she was a stupid person?

She merely nodded in answer.

The two of them drove towards the restaurant in silence.

Rayan was the first to leave the car. He turned back and reached a hand out to Janessa.

She took his hand without hesitation and got out of the car. After that, they entered the private room side by side.

