

Chapter 130 A Unique Method

Four men were seated amongst the sofas scattered in the manor.

One of the men emitted a calm but arrogant aura, while the other one had a child-like innocence about him. He didn't look like a man in his thirties. The third man had cold eyes that would make anyone tremble, and the last man seemed like a gentle scholar.

"Rayan, I heard that your company is holding an anniversary celebration. Are you planning on inviting me to join in on the fun?" Leonard looked at Rayan with a playful glint in his eyes as he took a sip of his wine.

He had heard about the celebration days ago, but Rayan never mentioned it to him.

When the other men heard about this, they glanced up casually. Clearly they didn't have much interest in attending parties. It didn't matter to them if they were invited or not.

However, Leonard was known to tease people unnecessarily. He was notorious for being self-indulgent and decadent in his daily life.

Every day, he was photographed with a different woman in his arms.

His older brother was the heir to their family business, so he didn't have to worry about maintaining his image as much.

"Someone will be in contact with you very soon." When Rayan recalled the impossible task he had given Janessa, a satisfied smile teased the corner of his mouth.

The information of the men in the room was confidential. If Janessa refused to apologize to him, she would never be able to contact his friends.

Rayan was determined to teach Janessa a lesson for exploiting him.

When Leonard noticed the change in Rayan's expression, he signaled to the other men with a wink. Everyone in the room turned to look at Rayan.

"Who were you thinking of just now? Why do you look so smug?"

"He's obviously thinking about a woman," Leonard said with a wide smile.

"This must be a special woman," Van chimed in with a charming smile. If there were women in the room, their hearts would've fluttered.

The four men were all attractive in their distinctive ways. Either they were rich and powerful or famous for their handsome looks.

It wasn't easy for men like them to find genuine friends, so they treasured their friendship dearly.

"Stop with your wild assumptions. That woman is just an assistant of mine. Let's continue drinking." Rayan had no intention of telling them about Janessa. "We can discuss the matter at a later time. It will pop up eventually," Rayan thought to himself.

"I heard that Gracie was back. Why didn't you bring her today?" Caspian, who had been silent the entire time, suddenly asked. His cold tone seemed to make the temperature in the room drop.

"There's only four of us inside the room. Can you loosen up a little bit? Why are you always like this? So cold! The air conditioning in the room is functioning fine. We don't need another one, or else we would freeze to death,"

Leonard teased as he clutched onto a pillow as if he had been really cold.

"Gracie had undergone an operation recently. She's still recovering, so I decided not to bring her with me tonight." Rayan didn't want to say anything more about the matter. Gracie probably exhausted herself today, so it wouldn't be appropriate for him to drag her along to a party.

"Well, it's rare for all of us to be gathered like this. We live such busy lives. Let's stop talking about petty things. Tonight, all I want to do is drink! Waiter, will you please get me another glass of wine?"

Although Van was a university professor, he wasn't as stiff when he was in the company of his close friends. He especially enjoyed quarreling and bickering with Leonard.

The four men were chatting happily when a slim figure suddenly entered from outside.

"Please enjoy your night."

The waitress placed the wine on the table but didn't leave immediately after.

"There's no reason for you to remain in the room. You may leave now," Leonard grumbled as he glanced up at the disobedient waitress.

The waitress looked around at the four people present and smiled at them.

Leonard walked over to the waitress and asked, "Why won't you leave? Did someone send you over to spy on us?"

Although they were good friends, they were strict about keeping their gatherings secret. It wouldn't be wise for any of them to be seen together in public.

The other men inside the room immediately stopped speaking after hearing Leonard accuse the waitress of spying on them. They all turned their heads towards the two people who were facing off.

Rayan couldn't see who the waitress was because Leonard was standing in his line of sight. He assumed that she was just another woman who wanted to get close to them for their money and social status.

Although they all took care to keep their gatherings secret, one could still find their whereabouts if they were determined enough. It wasn't the first time this had happened. Several women tried to dress up as staff to catch their eye before.

"I'm here to deliver something on behalf of Mr. Lu."

A smug smile teased the corners of the waitress's lips. Leonard's brows furrowed in confusion at her words.

'No one in A City is known as Mr. Lu besides Rayan.

Did Rayan ask this woman to come here?"

Leonard turned to face Rayan with questioning eyes. "Rayan, do you have any idea who this woman is?"

As soon as Rayan heard the woman's voice, it felt oddly familiar to him. Her voice was similar to Janessa's. Now that Leonard stepped aside a little bit, Rayan looked past Leonard and confirmed that it was, in fact, Janessa.

How was Janessa able to find this place? How was she aware of his relationship with these men?

A barrage of questions flashed through Rayan's mind, but right now, he needed to explain who Janessa was.

"She is an employee of my company. Previously, I asked her to contact the three of you to send out your invitations."

Rayan glared at Janessa as he spoke, questioning her presence with his eyes.

Janessa didn't take notice of him. It was a journey for her to arrive at their gathering. No matter what happened, she would get this done. Janessa would handle Rayan's wrath at a later time. After reaching into her pocket, Janessa pulled out three gilded invitation cards and handed them to the men present.

Rayan's friends were aware that he was married in the past, but none had ever seen Janessa. They wouldn't have known it was her even though she now appeared right in front of them.

"Good evening, gentlemen. These will be your invitations to the twentieth-anniversary party of the Lu Group. Mr. Lu would love to have all of you attend the celebration." Janessa invited the people present in an official manner. Even if it was her first time meeting the gentlemen, she already knew their names. It seemed like she had done her research and made the appropriate preparations.

How did Janessa managed to gather enough of their information while there wasn't much revealed to the public?

"I see. This woman is an employee of yours. Mr. Lu, I appreciate all the effort you have undergone to invite us to your company's celebration. In the past, you used to give us our invitations directly. It seems like you're doing things differently this year,"

Leonard complimented. He assumed that Rayan had planned this encounter.

Caspian thoughtfully looked at the invitation in his hand. Van merely placed the invitation on the table and continued to drink. "You're mixing things up this time around."

Rayan was still baffled as to how Janessa managed to locate them. Things hadn't gone according to his plans at all.

Janessa walked over to Rayan with a pleased smile on her face. "Mr. Lu, I have finished all of my deliverables for the day. May I go home now?"

