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Chapter 350 I Guess He Did I

Speaking of the quarrel, Janessa was reminded of the reason behind it.

Yesterday, she had a pretty long conversation with Gordon. However, she didn't get much useful information. It appeared as if her only option was to wait until she could meet Alana.

Janessa skipped lunch. After what seemed to be forever, she finally finished all of her tasks. It was time to go.

At the lounge, she rested her slender body against the sofa for a quick rest.

"Janessa, you are a freaking workaholic!" Corbin went out of the office to hand some documents over to Rayan when he saw Janessa getting some rest at the lounge.

"I have no other option. After all, assistants are hired to do practically everything. Work is always so busy!" Janessa exclaimed. The tone in her voice made it clear just how exhausted she was.

"Yeah. Well, I'll leave you to it. Rest well. I still have some work to tend to," Corbin bid his goodbye with a smile and proceeded to walk into the office.

The ringing of her phone interrupted Janessa's peaceful period of relaxation. It was a message from Alana.

"Janessa, are you doing anything tonight? Let's have some dinner," the message read.

Energy flowed through her tired bloodstream the moment she saw Alana's text.

Janessa did not have it in her to ask Alana out but lo and behold, here was Alana, taking the initiative to ask her out.

Hastily, Janessa typed a quick reply to finalize their appointment.

Finally, Janessa clocked out with her bag on her shoulder.

Rayan had planned on driving Janessa home once he had gotten off work.

However, when he walked out of the office, Janessa was nowhere to be found.

Rayan's heart sank. Without taking a second glance, Rayan took the car key and prepared to leave.

Corbin was standing just behind him. He witnessed how upset Ryan appeared to be.

'Wasn't he fine just a minute ago? This is odd. Did anything happen to him again?' he thought.

When Janessa arrived at the restaurant, Alana was already there, patiently waiting for her.

"Alana, you're quite early. I'm sorry, the traffic was awful today," Janessa apologized as she sat opposite Alana.

their table.

"I'm good with what she ordered. That would be all. Thank you," Janessa said. When the waiter left, Janessa meticulously planted

"It's all good. I've ordered your favorites. Do you want anything else? It's my treat!" Alana motioned for the waiter to approach

her eyes on Alana.

It had only been half a month since they last saw each other, but it appeared as if Alana had shed a considerable amount of weight.

"Alana, I've been meaning to ask. Is there something going on with your family? I heard from Leona that the contractor ran away. The project is far from being over, right? Did he disappear with the funds?" It wasn't Janessa's intention to put Alana in such a difficult place. However, solving the problem was their priority.

Alana heaved a heavy sigh and took a sip of her wine.

Janessa took her sweet time. After all, patience is a virtue. Besides, she had all the time in the world today. She had nothing better to do but patiently listen to Alana.

After a moment of silence, Alana started opening up.

"My family's project was fine and the former contractor had a good relationship with us. He was great at his job. However, when his wife gave birth, he had to leave. We had no choice but to get in touch with someone else. We didn't expect the new contractor to..." Alana trailed off.

Janessa handed her a piece of tissue. She sympathized with her. Alana grew up with a silver spoon in her mouth. Handling their family business was an unexpected decision. It wasn't exactly her cup of tea.

Janessa knew exactly what Alana was going through. One could even say that they were on the same boat.

"I have no idea if my dad or my brother had some conflict with someone. This new contractor seemed to be holding a grudge against our family. We looked into his work history. He had a clean record until he started working for us. I just can't put my finger around it. My dad treats his employees very well. So does my brother. How could they do something like this?" Alana's mood became even more somber with each passing minute. She had a hard time comprehending things. Lately, she had been spending her time learning things about the company. The frustration was killing her.

like a whisper. She couldn't tell anyone what she knew. But she trusted Alana.

"Alana... I think your family's incrimination has something to do with me," Janessa said in a voice so soft that it almost sounded

After all, Janessa had a hunch that it might really be her fault.

"What does it have to do with you? You're Mr. Lu's girlfriend. Is it because he doesn't approve of your past relationship with my brother?" Alana asked. Lately, Gordon had not been coming to see Janessa. However, Rayan frequently visited her before the New Year. It was when Alana lived with Janessa.

It was only natural for Rayan to be upset. However, the rest of their family had nothing to do with it. It was quite unbelievable for

Rayan to do such a thing.

"It's not Rayan. It goes way back. Do you remember the time when I was about to file a divorce?"

"Yeah. What about it? Gracie had just come back then."

"Rayan withdrew a lot of my funds, so the Qiu Group was handicapped. I was desperate then. Later I met someone who gave me

the money so we could continue the operations of the Qiu Group."

"What did he want in exchange?" A number of things came up in Alana's head. This kind of transaction was not unheard of.

Even good friends do business in exchange of personal interests. It was nothing but a barter of one's resources. What mattered the

most was the man's request.

"He wanted me to steal information form the Lu Group. I know it was wrong but I was desperate then. My mother just passed

"I understand now. That was why you kept on insisting to work for the Lu Group despite your separation. What I don't get is how does this affect our family?" It was nothing but a deal between Janessa, the mysterious man, and Rayan. The Shen family was out

away and Rayan threatened to leave me at that time. It was difficult for me to go back to the Qiu Group. I had no other choice so I

"I fell in love with Rayan. I knew he felt the same way when I went to Y Country. I don't think competing for money or properties is a big deal. You wouldn't be able to take those things to your grave. Love comes with a lot of hardships. I chose Rayan."

"You think this is the man's revenge for your defiance? Did he plan this so you would be forced to work for him? He must be pretty smart. Our family's project started half a year ago. If it was really him, then he must be quite sharp."

Alana was flabbergasted. She couldn't believe that a man would do all that just so Janessa would cooperate with him. It didn't make sense to Alana.

However, if you look at it through a business perspective, it was undoubtedly wise.

After all, a lot of deals in the business world were made under the table. It wasn't surprising at all.

Larry would do anything to get what he wanted. However, his refusal to admit that he tried to destroy the Shen family confused

Janessa.

"Yeah. That's why I'm worried that this might have happened because of me. I just feel it."