

## Chapter 356 Why Is Gracie Here

Although the doctor told Janessa to get up only after a week, she only asked for two days off and decided to go to work.

In the past few days, Rayan hadn't come back. Slowly, Janessa became used to sleeping alone, without Rayan beside her.

However, that peace was merely the prelude to the storm.

Janessa had thought that the biggest change in her life at that moment was the possibility of breaking up with Rayan. But Janessa didn't expect the situation to become so serious.

Even after many years, Janessa still beat herself up when she remembered how careless she was during this period of peace.

Janessa asked for a morning leave. After preparing to go to work in the afternoon, she was about to leave when she heard Rayan's car. Honestly, she had missed Rayan so much. Without thinking, Janessa ran toward the front door to welcome him. However, instead of a smile, Rayan scowled at her as soon as he saw her. The smile on Janessa's face completely disappeared when she saw Gracie behind Rayan. The woman walked inside the house arrogantly. Seeing Rayan's anger toward her and Gracie's taunting smile, she knew something was wrong.

"Why is Gracie here?" Janessa panicked inside. However, she tried her best to hide it. She would never show her weakness in front of this woman. Rayan and Gracie came together, which meant he brought Gracie here for a reason.

Gracie had occupied a house of the Lu Group in the past. Now, did she want to stay in this house again as she did before?

Janessa already thought about the possible results of the matter. However, she never thought it would be this one.

At first, Janessa was too stunned to speak. But she gathered her courage and asked, "Why did you come here? You should know that you are not welcome here." Without looking at Rayan, Janessa directly glared at Gracie and asked her to leave.

Despite Janessa's threats, Gracie was confident because she came here with Rayan. At that moment, Janessa was merely like a cat hissing at a lion, which made Gracie chuckle to herself.

"Who are you to chase me out? I'm Rayan guest, you see," Gracie said with a sarcastic smile. Ignoring Janessa, Gracie walked in and looked around the decoration of the villa.

She was pleased with the design of the house. It was ten times better than the villa of the Lu Group. No wonder Rayan didn't return to that villa. The decoration style and location of this villa were both Gracie's taste.

Even if this place was Janessa's now, it didn't matter. This place would soon become Gracie's. Janessa would leave soon. When that happened, everything would go back to her. This villa, Rayan, Lu Group—everything. She couldn't wait for that day.

Gracie enjoyed seeing the shock and disbelief on Janessa's face. 'Janessa, in the end, you can't defeat me,' Gracie thought.

Gracie continued looking around the house complacently. Although she liked the decoration style of the house very much, Janessa still lived here before. Once that woman left this place, she would have it renovated immediately. She didn't want even the door or the paintings on the wall to remind her that her mortal enemy lived here with Rayan. Gracie studied one of the paintings on the wall and smirked. She already had the blueprint of what she wanted this villa to look like in her mind.

Janessa was stunned. She glared at him coldly and asked, "Rayan, what does this mean?" Janessa couldn't believe it. She and Rayan were lovers. Even if they had a quarrel, it was a matter that was only between the two of them. Now, why did Rayan suddenly take Gracie back? Without even explaining things to her?

Furious, Janessa thought, 'Were the two of them reconciling in front of me to spite me?'

"Janessa, don't you have anything to say to me?" Instead of answering her question, Rayan asked coldly.

Ever since they got back together, Rayan had never talked to her in this tone.

Janessa snapped back at him. "What am I supposed to tell you? Now that you have brought another woman home, what do you want me to say about it?" Janessa didn't want to show weakness and stared at Rayan stubbornly.

Janessa and Rayan looked at each other silently. However, anyone could see the anger in their eyes.

"Don't you have anything to say? Anything at all?" Rayan was losing patience. Even Janessa could see that. However, she didn't want to back down.

"Don't you think you should explain it to me?"

Rayan looked at Janessa's stubborn expression and became more furious. Honestly, he was a little disappointed in her. He wanted to give Janessa a chance to confess. However, Janessa didn't even say anything.

She didn't even seem sorry at all. With that, the last strand of Rayan's patience was running out. He slowly took out a photo from the pocket of his suit.

Then, he threw the photo onto the ground without mercy.

In the picture, two people were smiling while holding wine glasses in one hand.

It looked like a celebration of successful cooperation.

Janessa recognized herself in the photo. The other person was a man with grey hair.

Seeing the horror on Janessa's face, Rayan gritted his teeth in anger. Recognition was evident in her expression. In a low voice, he asked, "Before you ask me why I took Gracie here, why don't you explain that picture first?"

Rayan had thought about the reasons. However, nothing made sense. It was not until Gracie told him the truth that he realized what that photo meant.

"I..." Janessa tried to talk. However, nothing came out of her lips. She was too stunned to speak. Looking at the photo, she didn't know how to explain herself to Rayan. She was indeed the woman in the photo. The other person was Larry. Janessa remembered that when they reached an agreement, Larry asked her to drink a glass of wine with him to "celebrate the victory," or so he said.

Janessa also thought it was too early to celebrate victory at that time. However, she was unsuspecting because some people always liked to be affirmed.

Who knew that Larry had planned everything ahead? This must be taken by someone sent by Larry. At that moment, Janessa realized how clueless and careless she had been.

However, the question was, how did Rayan have the photo? Who sent him?

As Janessa looked at Gracie who was sitting on the sofa leisurely, a bold idea came to her. 'This woman...'

Gracie looked at her with contempt and spoke. "We already know the truth, Janessa. You conspired against the Lu Group with Larry. Of course, we know him. He's the one who was purchasing the shares of the Lu Group recently. With this photo, I have reason to believe that you took advantage of the chance of working in the Lu Group. Your divorce from Rayan was merely an excuse. Your real purpose was to become Larry's spy and provide evidence to Larry to destroy the Lu Group in one go!" Gracie held her head high as if she was the hostess of this house.

"You are accusing me of betraying the Lu Group with just a photo as evidence, is that what you're saying? Who are you to say that to me? How dare you accuse me?" Janessa said bitterly. Janessa never thought that she would quarrel with Rayan because of this thing.

She also didn't expect that Gracie would meddle in their fight. However, she was also relieved that it was merely a photo. Although this photo could be used as evidence against her, Janessa could still change the situation in her favor.

Janessa was still feeling lucky when Gracie sighed and stood up. She took something from her bag and showed it to her. It was a CD.

As soon as Janessa recognized what was on Gracie's hand, her heart stopped. Her brain froze as she broke down.

Gracie smiled. "Of course, I can't convict you just by a photo. I wouldn't go see Rayan if I had no irrefutable evidence. Don't you think so, Janessa?" Gracie shook the CD in front of Janessa.

"Don't you think this looks familiar?" With a complacent smile, Gracie put the CD closer to Janessa's face and waved it.

How could it not feel familiar with it? It looked exactly like the CD she received before. It turned out that the sender of that CD was Gracie! The person who took the photo was none other than Gracie. No wonder she thought that person who took the photo knew the position of the cameras of the Lu Group.

After all, that person avoided all the cameras perfectly.

Janessa felt helpless. 'So, that's what happened,' she thought.

Gracie spoke. "Do you have anything to say? Just so you know, I have recorded all your conversations with Larry. I even recorded your conversations with Gordon and Rylan..." Gracie trailed off and looked at her viciously. Then, she chuckled. "Janessa, how could you have something to do with so many men?" With Gracie's last words, Janessa felt like her last armor was mercilessly torn apart. Without regard to her feelings, Gracie told the reason why she worked in the Lu Group and became close to Rayan as if it was the truth.

Gracie even went further by describing her relationships with Gordon and the others ambiguously.

This was an opportunity to defeat Janessa. So, Gracie, without hesitation, added fuel to the fire to completely crush her.

Upon hearing Gracie's words, Rayan became increasingly sullen.

"Janessa, do you have anything else to say?"