Chapter 97 You Are The Biggest Culprit!

Gracie was beginning to get frantic. Janessa must have acquired some evidence against her, otherwise, Rayan wouldn't believe her words.

'What should I do? If he wanted to get to the bottom of this, he would have the resources to do so. What could I say to stop him from suspecting me?'

As she tried to come up with a plan, she unconsciously began to massage his shoulders harder.

Rayan noticed the difference, but he didn't say a word.

It took her a few minutes to figure out the right words to say. She was relieved to see the calm look on Rayan's face and lessened the pressure as she massaged him.

After massaging his shoulders for a few more minutes, Gracie's fingers started to ache. However, when she saw the relaxed look on Rayan's face, she was encouraged to continue.

She thought that he would ask her more questions, but he didn't say anything more.

"Are you tired? You should get some rest." He gave her hand a gentle pat to stop her.

"I'm fine. Do you feel a bit better? Did the massage feel good?" Gracie pouted. Her eyes watered in a matter of moments.

"I'm fine. You can stop now. I have to deal with these documents." He rubbed his forehead as he scanned the large pile of documents stacked on his desk.

Out of curiosity, Gracie discreetly looked over his shoulders. When she was certain that he didn't notice, she sat aside and waited patiently for him to finish.

She still couldn't tell whether he believed her or not.

Nonetheless, she had to be extra careful around him in the next few days.

An hour had passed, and Gracie began to feel peckish. She drank water to curb her hunger as she waited for him to finish working.

"Let's go and have lunch." Rayan took his coat and stepped out of the office.

Gracie followed him out shortly after. The two casually strolled out of the Lu Group together.

After coming down from the top floor, Janessa returned to her desk to organize her things. Her colleagues couldn't help but think that Rayan had finally fired her.

In their eyes, Janessa had a defeated look in her eyes as she packed her things.

When Sally heard Janessa come downstairs, she moved closer.

"Wow, if it isn't the traitor who screwed over our cooperation with the Gu Group. Why did you even bother to come to work today? Oh, I see. Are you here to take your things and leave?" Sally mocked.

She finally found the perfect opportunity to mock Janessa out in the open.

Before the scandal, Janessa was starting to get big-headed. Wasn't she so capable and arrogant in the past? There was nothing she could do about her situation now.

She had no choice but to leave the company.

Finally, Sally would get the chance to reclaim her throne. With Janessa come, she would become team leader again.

When she earned her position back, she could do as she pleased in the office.

Although Sally was thrilled with the thought, her colleagues weren't as pleased. Janessa had high standards when she reviewed her staff's work, but at least she treated them fairly. Her team members were judged by the quality of their work. If they produced a good plan, she would praise them instead of taking credit for their work.

However, if Sally became the group leader again...

They sighed deeply. This matter was out of their hands. It all depended on what their bosses decided.

Aside from Sally and Linda, no one from the planning department wanted to see Janessa leave.

All of them silently prayed that Janessa would stay.

"Janessa, we've been colleagues for some time now. Do you have something to say to us before you leave? We'll miss you dearly," Sally said in a sarcastic tone. After that, she grabbed a cardboard box from the storage room and placed it on Janessa's desk.

Janessa merely watched Sally take the wrong idea and move around her desk. Because Janessa had been gone for a few days, she simply came back to tidy up her belongings. It seemed like Sally couldn't wait for her to leave.

This woman was shameless!

No matter how much Sally goaded her, Janessa didn't respond. She continued to arrange her things in silence. The others began to whisper to one another frantically.

Shelby leaned forward to watch Janessa pack her things. Her lips quirked up into a smile as she continued to work.

"Please say something on the matter. We're all waiting," Sally continued. As she spoke, she noticed Janessa taking out all the things she had placed in the cardboard box.

What was she doing? Wasn't she fired? Why wasn't she packing up her belongings?

"Janessa, you don't have to leave your things lying around here. No one wants this rubbish. If you plan to leave the company, you need to take your belongings with you. I don't even want your things taking up space in the trash."

Janessa then cut the cardboard box into tiny pieces before she tossed them into the trash can.

"What are you doing?" Sally asked again.

"I'm trying to reorganize my desk. I have no plans on leaving. You brought the cardboard box so I could cut it up for you, didn't you?" Janessa replied.

It was obvious that Sally was eager for Janessa to leave. However, they were confused by Janessa's words. 'She wasn't fired?' they all thought to themselves.

Janessa wiped her desk before she turned on her computer to resume her work.

Sally's face twitched in anger as she watched her. Why was Janessa still here? This woman had made so many mistakes. How did she manage to keep her position in the company? Did Rayan make an exception for her this time?

How would he explain this to the stakeholders?

Sally couldn't understand why Janessa didn't receive any punishment for her crimes.

Was it because Rayan hadn't made a final decision yet? Is that why Janessa was still around?

"I don't think you're bright enough to figure this out. The best thing for you to do right now is to go back to your desk and rethink your plan," Janessa said before she walked past Sally to enter Linda's office.

There were several plans she needed to get updated. The investigation had taken up a large chunk of her time, and she needed to get back on track with the other work she needed to do. Today, Janessa planned on working on the projects she had set aside for days.

The turnover with Linda quickly finished. Within the day, the CEO's office had released an announcement that Janessa wasn't the person responsible for leaking the documents.

Linda couldn't understand how this happened, but she couldn't contest the announcement from the CEO.

When Janessa returned from Linda's office, she immediately called for a meeting with her team members and assigned them new tasks to work on.

This matter had finally come to an end, and Janessa was relieved to have it off her mind.

However, there was one thing she couldn't get out of her mind. In the afternoon, she noticed Shelby sneaking into the tea room alone. She wasn't acting like her usual self. Why did she look like she was doing something in secret?

Aside from that, when Shelby spotted Janessa, she avoided her inquiring glances subconsciously. When Janessa approached her, Shelby didn't greet her as she usually did and just returned to her seat with a guilty look on her face.