

## Chapter 413 A Stupid Woman

Josie felt like she was being suffocated. Taking a deep breath to calm herself down, she asked, "What in the world will make you give up custody of Ray?"

"There's no way I'll do that!" Wendy refused flatly.

"This woman is being way too proud! Josie could hardly stand it any longer and shouted at Wendy, "Don't go overboard!"

'She set up an appointment with me. As soon as we met up, she asked me to relinquish custody of my son. Who on earth has taken things too far this time?'

Feeling a headache coming on, Wendy realized that Josie was a stubborn and bossy woman who took things into her own hands without listening to what other people had to say.

"You'd better let go of this notion that I'll leave Ray to you. If this is the whole reason behind you coming to me today, I'm sorry to have to say this, but that is impossible!"

"Don't be so certain," said Josie in a cold voice.

Wendy let out a long sigh and tried to put some reason into her head. "Mrs. Oliver, you also have two sons. Just to be clear, if someone tries to take your sons away from you, will you so readily agree?"

"Not in the slightest!" Josie pounded the table with her fists angrily.

Wendy just wanted Josie to see her point of view, but little did she expect that Josie would become so angry. 'She is so scared that I will take Ryan away from her. Is she so controlling that she will do everything in her power to keep Ryan around?'

Wendy decided to put an end to this meaningless discussion. She pulled on her scarf and asked, "Is there anything else?"

It appeared if Josie was done speaking, Wendy would pick up her things and leave right away.

Josie was enraged. Getting straight to the point, she took out a check

from her bag and shoved it in Wendy's direction.

Wendy gave the check a casual look. There were so many zeroes on the check that it blinded her from seeing exactly how much money it was. She cocked her eyebrows and asked, "What's the meaning of this?"

"This money is for the custody of my grandson! I hope this number will persuade you." Josie snorted. "Even though you are Ray's mother, he has suffered a lot throughout these years. You have raised Ray for the last four years. I am willing to give you ten million dollars a year as compensation."

Looking down at the check, Wendy could not help but sigh. 'Do rich people really think that money can solve everything? That was what Brian did before, and Josie just now. Forty million dollars!'

It was indeed a lot of money in Wendy's eyes, but compared to Raymond, it mattered very little.

As for how Josie was acting, Wendy was not offended. She just thought that Josie was being ridiculous.

Wendy held the check in her hands and gently tapped it with her finger. Then she gave the check back to Josie.

Josie's face visibly darkened. "Is this not enough?"

Before Wendy could get a word out, Josie said with cold features, "Wendy! My advice is for you to stop and think things over! Forty million is not a small amount of money. As long as you don't spend unwisely, it will be enough to last you your whole lifetime."

"I've told you that the matter is out of the question! I will not give up custody of Ray!"

"Tell me, how much will it take for you to change your mind? Name your price."

Wendy rubbed her forehead out of perplexity. 'She will never understand. We are too different. Like apples to oranges.'

She was left with no choice but to repeat her words. "I have said that I will not consider this. Nothing you say will make me give up custody of Ray!"

Josie clenched her teeth. In her eyes, Wendy was just a materialistic girl. To her, the only reason why Wendy didn't agree was that the amount

he will still feel the same way five or ten years from now? In this world, the most temperamental thing is love. Why do women always work so hard? It is so that they can make more money! Money makes the world go round! Take the check, give up custody of Ray, and then break things off with Ryan. Wendy, you are only twenty-four years old. With the money, you can start over and be with any man your heart desires. Besides, you are still young. If you enter a new relationship later on, it will be no trouble at all for you to have another child. What are your thoughts on this?"

Wendy did not say a word.

Seeing how quiet she was being, Josie went on, "Wendy, I think you should know that women like us should always leave room for retreat. If you insist on staying with Ryan and keeping custody of Ray, have you thought about what type of consequences you might face?"

"What consequences are you talking about?"

Squinting her eyes at Wendy, Josie said in a loud voice, "At this time, you are free to do whatever you want because Ryan likes you now. But if one day, he has a change of heart, and you have offended me, do you think you can continue to live a peaceful life?"

She was using threats and temptation to talk Wendy to come to her terms.

Wendy had a smile on her face. She set down the check, turned her eyes to Josie, and smiled, "You shouldn't have come in the first place."


"Wendy!" Josie's eyes were ablaze with a terrible light.

"First of all, if I'm really after money, then you money you provide is not enough to entice me. To my knowledge, Ryan is the richest man in the country with over one hundred billion dollars to his name. With how he feels towards me, I can become his wife any time I want. Besides, whether you believe me or not, if we get married, he will never have a prenuptial agreement drawn up."

Josie's face darkened even more.

Wendy's smile became even brighter. "If what I want is money, I'll be sure to cast a wider net. Even if my relationship with Ryan doesn't become something more and we don't end up getting married, Ray is still his son and nothing anyone says or does will ever change this. According to our national law, illegitimate children also share the rights of legitimate children. Hence, as long as Ryan doesn't write up a will, Ray can inherit

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his property if something ever happens to him."

The more Wendy had her say, the more enraged Josie got.

Wendy shrugged her shoulders out of indifference and said, "Tell me, with all these things in mind, how could it be possible for me to leave so easily with just your measly one hundred million dollars?"

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