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Veronica shrugged and then she bowed deeply to Elizabeth. "Grandma, I'm very sorry for that."

"Ha!It's alright."

Elizabeth's reaction was totally beyond Veronica's expectations. Meanwhile, Elizabeth was elated and she grabbed hold of Veronica before studying the latter as she circled her. "Gosh! I read on the news two days ago that you're the Larsons' daughter and I didn't believe it then. I can't believe that you're actually the one. If I hadn't gotten the preemptive information from the news, I would have definitely been shocked."

"Grandma, aren't you angry with me?"

Veronica had initially assumed that Elizabeth would be unhappy to see her reveal her actual look. However, Elizabeth wasn't the least bit upset at all.

"Gosh, I'm more than happy for you! Why would I get angry?"

Just then, Elizabeth held Veronica's hand tenderly. "Come to think of it, you look exactly like Tiffany. The only difference is the mole on your nose. Your eyes look bigger, and are more expressive and prettier than hers. You little brat! You're so pretty, yet you disguise yourself as such an ugly-looking person!"

Just then, Elizabeth had so much to share with Veronica and the former conveniently overlooked Tiffany. Tiffany was significantly displeased about it, but she didn't dare to reveal her displeasure.

"Veronica, where have you disappeared to lately? Do you know that Mom and I have been searching for you all this while?"

Tiffany, who was the best at putting on an act, stepped forward and grabbed Veronica into a tight hug. "I knew it! It's no wonder that I felt a sense of familiarity when we first met. It's obviously because you're my younger sister. Did you know in advance about our relationship? Did you put on that ugly disguise because you didn't want to come back home with me?".

The tears suddenly streamed down Tiffany's face as she sobbed. Her 'heart wrenching' performance pained those who saw her.

Meanwhile, Veronica stood there with a stunned look as Tiffany hugged her. The former's entire body was stiff and she felt as if she had been struck by lightning. The

sensation she felt right now

Veronica knew that her acting skills were as good as Tiffany's, so she reached out to push Tiffany aside. The former contemptuously refused to continue this act with

with a great excuse for her decision to put

just recovered from

Elizabeth from the shocking revelation, Veronica was unable to suffer

protection, Veronica would definitely know how much Mom missed you all of these years? She has been searching I just didn't like it. Is this a sufficient explanation?" Veronica anxious to locate me so that they can get rid of me in the been located, but she has been brought up by her adopted parents all this while so she would quickly go back and inform your parents. It's just nice too, because I've got some obvious from Elizabeth's words that it the tears on her face. Subsequently, she walked Why just something that I to the point you find break, so

home and then bring your parents over too. Let's have dinner together," Elizabeth commented as she basked

fists tightly to the point that her fingernails became deeply embedded into her palms. She was extremely jealous to see Elizabeth being so fond of Veronica, but she could only put on an obedient front and nod her head. "Alright, grandma.

care less about responding to Tiffany, as she was mainly concerned about Elizabeth. "Grandma, when did you get discharged from the hospital? How are

dissolved,

continued to chat with each other as Matthew turned around and walked off to

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Elizabeth's words caused Matthew's expression to darken significantly

However, he recalled the doctor's repeated instructions of avoiding angering her before she was discharged from the hospital, so he could only nod his head perfunctorily. "Okay."

Meanwhile, Veronica was extremely gleeful to see Matthew getting told off.

However, she stopped smiling and turned to Elizabeth. "Grandma, Matthew's right. My background is indeed not a good match for them."

"Well, it's good that you know your position." Matthew agreed with her words.

However, as soon as he said that, there was a loud 'bang' that sounded, as Elizabeth had immediately flung the cup in front of her at Matthew's feet. "I told you to shut up! Are you deaf or what?"

Just then, Elizabeth had a thunderous expression as she stared at Matthew. However, as soon as she turned to Veronica, she showed a warm and inviting smile. "Silly girl, what are you on about? Why are you considering whether you're a good match for them or not? You're a kind and obedient child who's very pretty too. Besides, you have a university degree, so you're definitely a worthy match. Self-confidence is important in a girl. Trust me,I have good judgment so if I reckon that you're good enough, then you definitely are!".

At that point, Veronica could feel Elizabeth's kindness and the former was significantly touched.

Veronica shot a look at Matthew, who was sitting off to one side with a cold expression on his face, and she noticed that he was seated quite stiffly on the couch. From his expression, she could tell that he seemed quite resigned toward Elizabeth's actions. Truth be told, Veronica had never seen such an awkward expression on his face.

Just then, she was rather tickled by the situation. At the same time, she also realized that Matthew was indeed very filial toward Elizabeth.

"Grandma, you're the best!"

Veronica didn't want Elizabeth's efforts to be in vain, so the former didn't directly reject the latter's suggestion.

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"There's no need to be so courteous with me." Elizabeth smiled.

Suddenly, her expression turned stern and she moved closer to Veronica to ask softly, "By the way, I never got to ask you-why do you loathe Tiffany? Are you actually that reluctant to go home?"

Elizabeth's consecutive questions were ones that Veronica refused to answer.

Elizabeth clearly sensed Veronica's attitude too, so she spoke up. "Darling, I'm not trying to make you go back home. I just wanted to let you know if you don't want to go back, you..."

a moment and patted herself on the chest.

within Veronica and the latter could no longer contain her emotions. The tears welled up in her eyes, causing

relationship with Elizabeth, Matthew had saved Veronica during the fire. Then, he had saved her once again when she

far as to be Veronica's strong support to fend off the pressure very likely to be inflicted by

a stranger to her, yet the older woman treated her so well merely

you tearing

was frantic upon noticing the tears that threatened to spill over Veronica's eyes. Glaring at Matthew, Elizabeth muttered, "Why are you still standing there?

was a slightly displeased look that flashed across his eyes. This despicable woman is so good at putting up an act!

for the tissue

fine. Don't cry. With me around, I won't let anyone bully you. Even if the Larsons are

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allow them to

don't want to go back home.

took the tissue

Bloomstead, the person who had helped her the most, other

of light in her darkened life in Bloomstead, and they lit up her way, ensuring

Veronica think of her

grandmother had doted on her the same way and

grandmother, her grandfather had also regarded her as

tell me honestly-why are you reluctant to

made a guess that Veronica didn't want to go back to the Larsons. After all, it was all quite evident from Veronica's

curious as to the reason for

onto the tissue in her hand before she pursed her lips. She turned

you looking at him? You can be frank with

"Is that true?"

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"They..."

the Larsons' various misdeeds but right now, she didn't have a single piece of

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she didn't reveal it, then the Larsons would definitely try all sorts of unscrupulous ways to target her and force her to go back. By then, it would be a piece of cake

a single incident. "The Larsons have known about my presence for quite some time now and they wanted me to go back. It was because they actually wanted me to donate my bone marrow to Randy.

Right now, though, it's likely that they want me back because the press had previously revealed that they have another daughter that

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Furthermore, most of the items in the residence were preserved in their original style and design. Everything gave out a strong retro vibe. One would feel as if they had taken a step back into the past as they became immersed in the surroundings.

There was a door by the wall to the right of the large living room that led to the room next door.

Meanwhile, Matthew trailed after Elizabeth and entered the room. Subsequently, he shut the door after him.

Elizabeth stood in front of Matthew and lifted her head to look at him. "Did you hear that? Do you realize what sort of woman you've chosen?"

"Grandma, what are you trying to say?"

"What am I trying to say?! Did you hear Veronica's words? The Larsons' are despicable!"

"Grandma, can't you tell that Veronica's trying to use you?"

In regard to this, Matthew was quite sensitive about it and he was very displeased.

"I'm her grandmother, so how can it be considered as making use of me? Furthermore, I was the one who asked her about it!" Elizabeth retorted.

"She already knew that you had a stroke and can't sustain any shock, yet she chose to tell you so much. Her motives are impure."

He stood regally tall and his handsome features were full of coldness.

"That's bullsh\*t!" Elizabeth couldn't help spewing profanity at that point. "Since when did telling the truth is equivalent to impure motives? I don't care about anything else, but I'll have you know that you'd better make sure you keep Tiffany under control; otherwise, don't blame me for forbidding her from entering our home."

Elizabeth didn't force Matthew to annul the engagement because she took into account that he liked Tiffany. Also, the former was worried that the Kings Family's reputation would be affected if they called off the engagement with the Larsons at this point.

Kingses were a major family, so any slight action

he cared much more about Tiffany's act

rumors out there were that Matthew was a cold and merciless guy but unbeknownst to everyone, he was an extremely

make a phone call." Elizabeth waved him off and walked to the couch in the room and took a

out of the room

strode into the living room and he coldly shot a look at Veronica, who was sitting on the couch, before grabbing her by the wrist. "Come with

his sudden actions.

room and made his way to the pavilion in the little garden at the back. Subsequently, he turned his arm and held her against a pillar. He then grabbed her by the collar and growled in a

features accentuated his handsome face, and his expression clearly exuded coldness at the moment. Coupled with his ferocious expression,

Veronica maintained a calm expression and smiled at him. "Matthew, why are you so angry all of a

slight

those words to Elizabeth earlier, but that didn't mean that she had plotted the initial

Matthew narrowed his eyes and reached out to hold Veronica's chin up before

responded with a scoff and the smile on

"Challenge you?"

the reason for me being kidnapped. As for

hid the whole truth from her because you're in love with Tiffany, so don't you

a great act of being deeply in love with Tiffany and yet, you went behind her back to engage in an illicit relationship with me. Is she aware of all this? Besides, why do you live in the penthouse of Twilight Club? Is it actually because of its close distance to your office? I don't think so! It's all because there are plenty of women with various figures at Twilight Club for you to pick and choose from, so it's like your personal harem! Matthew Kings, don't you dare regard yourself so highly! Is your grandmother really

keep saying that I have ulterior motives, but I'm quite suspicious right now. Back then, you suggested for me to give birth here, but you purposely got engaged with Tiffany in a haste and made me realize this so that I would miscarry. Did you

had never considered

now, she suddenly realized that Matthew's actions

and he knew that she was Tiffany's sister, so he had forced himself on her and then hastily gotten engaged with Tiffany

intentions of allowing her to bear a child with the Kings' family name. Furthermore, he

it was because of the pressure from Elizabeth that

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"Bro, you should also address me as your dear sister." There was a slight smile on her flawless face.

Just then, Matthew's eyes met hers. "Are you even worthy of that?"

"Well, regardless of whether I'm worthy or not, I'm now Grandma's god granddaughter and your sister. There's no difference as to whether you admit it or not. Don't you think so, brother?"

Their eyes met each others' and although both appeared to be smiling happily, in actual fact, they were secretly having it out and neither of them wanted to give in to the other.

Matthew wasn't tolerant of others' flaws. Moreover, it was related to Elizabeth-the person he respected the most-so his attitude toward Veronica took a complete turn the moment he realized that she had used Elizabeth.

"Life and death are no different too. That's because ... "

He paused for a moment before caressing her chin with his index finger. Then, he calmly mentioned word by word, "It's all within a flick of a finger."

"Tsk! I'm really scared of your threats, darling brother!"

Veronica frowned and she purposely showed a frightened expression before suddenly bursting into laughter.

She lifted her head to look up at him. She continued to smile but shortly after that, her smile dissipated bit by bit and her expression turned cold. "As long as your grandmother is around, you'll spare my life for the sake of her happiness. Come to think of it, you're such a filial grandson."

Just then, Veronica made a thumbs-up gesture at him.

"Bro, I do feel drained seeing you make so much effort to be a great fiance and a filial grandson at the same time."

She lifted her hand to push his hand aside and before poking him on the chest with her slender finger. "Good luck to you!"

With that, Veronica smiled meaningfu

turned around to

He glanced at the woman who had already walked off

I'm actually such a despicable and scheming person?! Matthew thought to himself, but he didn't realize that he also

for his

the living room and sat down to

Rachel and Tiffany turned up at

gifts and they fawningly greeted Elizabeth as soon as they saw her. "Old Mrs. Kings, how are

are here to visit you

over the supplements to the servants

at them and there was a flash of annoyance across her face, but she maintained a calm front. "You shouldn't have.

them exchanged polite pleasantries while Veronica sat on the couch. Just then, she calmly

for 2 million from her previously, this was the second time that

them looking like lap dogs wagging their tails in front of Elizabeth, and she felt

You... You're... Veronica, aren't

discovered Veronica sitting by the side. And so, Rachel instantly walked over. "Tiffany told me earlier that you were here with Old Mrs. Kings, but I didn't

act and she couldn't contain her sobs

skills were indeed as

while? Ever since you left Bloomstead, we've been searching high and low

at her parents, and there

Right now, even though the latter knew that her parents were just putting on an act of being concerned, she couldn't contain the intense jealousy she felt as soon she saw

you guys should spend some time with Veronica. I need to

so she came up with a random excuse and wanted to

they moved forward to stand in front of Veronica. "Veronica, you must have experienced so much suffering all of these years. Come on

Tiffany must have

her eyes were red-rimmed. Furthermore, she couldn't quite

Veronica sat on the couch and shot

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"There's..."

Just as Floch tried to figure out a reply, Elizabeth suddenly poinied out, "At the very least, there should be a minimum of three to five million for it to be acceptable."

"Three to five...?" Rachel froze and her tears halted all of a sudden. She turned back to glance at Elizabeth, but she didn't dare to say a word despite her anger. On the contrary, she went along and nodded with an apologetic smile. "You're right, Old Mrs. Kings. You're quite right indeed."

However, Floch didn't pay much heed and he instantly lied through his teeth. "Yeah, I think so too. There is about three million in there. The money is compensation for the poor girl."

He was quite the two-faced person and at that moment, he was utterly tempted to wring Veronica's neck.

"You..."

Just then, Veronica lifted her hand to take the card and she was just about to say something when Elizabeth stood up abruptly and walked toward her. "Veronica, give the card to me and I'll check the balance for you."

Elizabeth was very insistent and she clearly showed that she was on Veronica's side. The former's action was an obvious indicator that she didn't trust the Larson couple as she snubbed them directly.

Meanwhile, Veronica was stunned at first and soon after that, a wave of gratitude flooded her. Elizabeth is too kind to me! I must have been an exemplary human being in my past life to have been granted this encounter with her in this current life.

"Mr. Randall, call and check for the balance on this card." Elizabeth handed over the card to her servant by the side and muttered, "We must be clear with matters that involve money. Otherwise, it would be troublesome if anything got mixed up."

"Yes, of course. You're definitely right!" Floch hastily agreed but he couldn't control himself from wiping off the beads of sweat on his forehead guiltily as he regretted his actions.

the card from Elizabeth and walked off to find out

Elizabeth took a seat by Veronica's side and she lovingly held the girl's hand. With a doting look, she asked, "Are you hungry? You've

concern was exactly like a loving grandmother

and Veronica, there was a glint in their eyes

had been prepared to get rid of Veronica, but Rachel had interjected and said that since Elizabeth doted on Veronica, then they should just directly announce Veronica's identity to the public and bring her home. In the future, they would be able to make use

all, the Kings Family had an invincible presence in Bloomstead. If the Larsons managed to bring Veronica

would definitely elevate their positions in the social circle of Bloomstead. In the future, this

Rachel's analysis, he instantly clapped his hands with joy and agreed to it. Shortly after that, they announced

mentioned that this card has

the servant walked over and handed the card to Elizabeth

expression on her wrinkled face darkened. She held the card and immediately flung it

a mistake. It's a mistake. There used to be three million inside but I donated it to the Red Cross.

make them look bad, but he also realized then that she seemed to be overly concerned about Veronica. Just then, he plotted in his mind and

the money. However, she could only apologize repeatedly, "Old

"Why are you apologizing to me? I'm not the

actions. "Grandma, you're too kind to me!" She clung to Elizabeth's wrist and leaned closer to nuzzle herself against

mistake.

Veronica. Your dad's just too busy with work. Mistakes occur, so please don't mind

that. "I only have one father and he's living in the countryside!" She rebuked mercilessly, blatantly showing her

at putting up an arrogant

you? She just got back and

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Veronica took out a black-colored card which had a major bank's name embossed in gold. In fact, it looked quite classy.

As soon as the card was taken out, everyone was momentarily stunned and their eyes widened. There was no mistaking the shock on everyone's faces, especially Tiffany. As soon as she saw the card, she couldn't contain her anger and her delicate features were distorted with jealousy.

"This... Is this... the Centurion Card?"

Just then, Floch caught his breath in a deep gasp and he instinctively turned to glance at Rachel. At that moment, he was stunned beyond words.

"Ha! Now that's about right."

Elizabeth shot a look at Matthew with a happy smile on her face. "You're Veronica's brother, so that's the least you can do."

"But... Old Mrs. Kings, this is the Centurion Card and it's got unlimited credit. Matthew gave this to Veronica so casually, but what if she spends unnecessarily? After all, this card can be used to purchase anything and it can even be used to buy a plane!"

After the direct snub, Rachel intentionally came up with an excuse to maintain her image and she purposely analyzed Matthew's "kind move." From her words, she intended to put across to everyone that Veronica had, in fact, originated from the countryside so it was very likely that she would splurge frivolously with so much money on her hands.

"Yeah, Mom's right! Grandma, Veronica just came back to Bloomstead from the countryside, so she hasn't been exposed to the urban lifestyle. If she's given too much money all at once, it might not be a good thing for her." Just then, Tiffany echoed Rachel's words.

After listening to everyone's words, Veronica finally understood that the black card in her hand was in fact the renowned Centurion Card that could be used to buy anything, even a plane.

Initially, she had thought that this was a VVIP card because of Matthew's exalted status. It was no wonder that the salesperson had looked at her strangely when she went shopping, and they had also been especially accommodating.

big deal. I only have one god-granddaughter so she deserves all the best things on earth."

and she turned to Veronica. "Next time you encounter any problems at all, come to me or your brother. You've got us supporting you, and I definitely won't allow anyone to bully you! As

Veronica could sense that Elizabeth was very happy. There was a sharp glint in the latter's clouded eyes as she

she was quite sure that Elizabeth's words were intentionally directed at the Larsons, so Veronica was quite

was nothing else that could be done, so the Larsons' moods were fouler than ever. Meanwhile, Floch awkwardly put away the card in his hand and he no longer dared to mention

together. It was then that Floch truly grasped the fact that Elizabeth was indeed very fond of Veronica, so he couldn't help himself and suggested for the girl to return home with them. However, his suggestion was met with Elizabeth's

with Tiffany in tow, while Matthew volunteered

and whispered her thanks into the latter's ears. "Grandma, thank

big deal. I'm your grandma so it's natural for me to dote on you. I'm happy enough as long as you come back regularly to visit me." Elizabeth was truly very fond of Veronica. This was even more so after Veronica saved Elizabeth's life. That made Elizabeth fonder of

toward Veronica

our way now." Veronica waved at Elizabeth and turned around

bade farewell one after the other to Elizabeth and walked out of the Kings Residence

short distance from the backyard of the house to the front and as they walked on the paved stone path, Floch mentioned to

so you should be

to be married, it was quite frustrating

as wary of Veronica as before, because she was no longer a threat. Now that she was Elizabeth's godgranddaughter, she

her lips pursed. At that moment, she was

just obeying the Kingses'

words managed to render everyone speechless. After quite some time, Rachel

of

for him to stop. It wasn't

then, the group made their way to the entrance and left after going into their respective

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After that, Matthew strode toward the car and pulled open the door to get into the

car

Upon noticing Veronica seated in the front passenger seat, he instantly muttered, "Come to the back."

"I'm perfectly happy here. Why should I move to the back?" Veronica coldly snorted with a haughty toss of her head as she remained in her seat.

Meanwhile, Thomas, who was in the driver's seat, glanced at Matthew's darkened expression in the rearview mirror and he instantly offered, "The front passenger seat of this car isn't suitable for passengers."

"Why?"

"Because..." Thomas paused for a moment as his brain worked overtime. Thinking of an excuse, he rambled, "There is something wrong with the seat. I've been planning to get it fixed but I just haven't had the time to do so."

# "Something wrong?"

Just then, Veronica intentionally rocked back and forth in her seat, but she didn't find anything wrong with it. However, she noticed that Thomas didn't seem like he was joking.

In the end, she had no choice but to open the door and get out of the car to go to the back seat. Then, she took a seat next to Matthew.

The car moved slowly and drove off to the Twilight Club.

Throughout the journey, Veronica and Matthew sat far apart from each other, and she turned her head in the direction of the window to look outside. She didn't bother to talk to him at all.

Meanwhile, Matthew maintained his silence too.

Suddenly, it was Thomas who voiced out and broke the silence in the car.

"Miss Murphy, there is a cell phone on the backseat armrest and your bank card and sim card are all sorted. I went to collect it for you in the afternoon.

In fact, Veronica had submitted her application for a reissue of her identification card on the day that the fire occurred, which was why she was able to get it sorted out now. Meanwhile, Thomas had already helped her to purchase a new phone and applied for another sim card for her on his way back.

"Oh—You're really efficient. Thanks!" Veronica was quite happy.

"You don't need to thank me, Miss Murphy. It was all under the Young Master Matthew's instructions. You should thank him." Thomas smiled at her. Just then, Veronica suddenly stopped talking and she lowered her head to open the box to reveal the latest top-selling 5.7-inch widescreen 5G cell phone. It was a fashionable model that cost around seven thousand.

the sim card into the phone and turned it

she didn't

at her from the side of his eye. However, his expression turned increasingly

the phone,

were a lot of messages that popped up on the screen and she clicked on one of them. It turned out to be from Xavier. 'Where are you right now?

from Xavier too. 'Darn it! Why didn't you contact me when

Hurry up and answer the

a missed call

been bribed by the Larsons. The Larson Family has destroyed

the hell are you right

I'm really sorry but I have no other option. The Larsons threatened me with the

moment, Veronica had received nearly thirty text messages on her cell phone. Some of them were from Xavier and Cody. There were a

and she

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the

that you? Where are

out from the other end

them currently being miles apart. At that moment, she felt a warm, fuzzy feeling well up within her.

this while, Xavier had helped her so much and Veronica was sincerely grateful

by her side, had a thunderous look on his face and his

didn't even do much, yet she expressed her thanks to him? I saved her life but she didn't even show

you're back. Was it... Matthew who

quite contain the disappointment in his voice as

We just got

I'm still around Pierson Harbor because I was looking for you. I didn't realize that you had gone back. I'll head back right away and I should be able to

silent after saying that. Subsequently, he mentioned

great that you're

past ten days that she had been missing. Despite his abilities, he was no match for Matthew's capabilities, and Xavier was

a lot of self-reflection and he realized that he was

Hurry up and get back. I'll

Veronica heard that he was still in Pierson Harbor, she couldn't contain the sad feeling that welled up within

ones who treated her kindly, so much so that Veronica had no idea how to

wait for me,"

continued their conversation for a short while

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"You're just finding all sorts of excuses!"

Just then, Veronica rolled her eyes at Matthew and she felt that he was being utterly unreasonable. She got the feeling that only his limbs had evolved since the Stone Age, but his brain was still stuck in the prehistoric age. In short, he was an utter moron.

However, Veronica didn't want to continue arguing, so she leaned against the window and remained silent as she closed her eyes.

At that point, the car descended into silence.

Finally, they arrived at the underground parking site of the Twilight Club. The two of them subsequently got out of the car and walked into the elevator, one after the other.

Thomas handed over the keys to Matthew before driving his own car back home. The former adamantly refused to get involved in the matters of the bickering couple.

In the confined space of the elevator, Veronica tried her hardest to squeeze herself into a corner to maintain as much distance from Matthew as she could. Every move she made clearly indicated her loathing for him.

"Why are you standing so far apart from me?"

Meanwhile, Matthew, who was standing ramrod straight, glanced at her with a frown and there was a significantly displeased look on his handsome face.

"I'm keeping my distance because I need to stay away from people like you. Idiotic behavior can be contagious," Veronica casually commented as she lifted her brows. Matthew's expression instantly darkened the moment he heard that.

Just then, he reached out and pulled her toward him. Then, he held her captive in his arms as he growled, "Why don't you try repeating that again?"

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Veronica struggled to get out of his embrace but despite her struggles, she couldn't seem to extricate herself from his tight hold.

In the end, after realizing that her efforts were futile, she decided not to struggle unnecessarily.

And so, she looked up and glared at him. "I said I need to stay away from people like

you."

"What about your next sentence?"

"Idiotic behavior can be contagious."

have

instantly bulged up, and she looked quite comical and cute just

just making assumptions that I'm talking about you. Is that my fault? Besides, did I even mention

swat the back of Matthew's hands. "Let go of me. Don't you know that it's inappropriate to

so don't you think that

a hint of

shiver down Veronica's spine and she gulped instinctively. "I'm warning you, Matthew Kings! If you dare touch me again,

scrutinized her for a moment before coldly exclaiming, "You look exactly like Tiffany, so where did you get the confidence to actually think that I would want to touch you?" His underlying meaning was that he would rather touch Tiffany than

was finally at ease the

Ding!

the ground floor and the doors

around to walk out

in the living room and turned to him. "You can sleep in the

us."

she resembled a deer

turned around to walk into the master bedroom

she finally took a seat on the couch, her expression weary. Just then,

no longer touched her. It was quite likely that he had some reservations now that they

warned him repeatedly, so he should

realized this,

sat there watching the drama. However, she found that it was quite boring, so she went to the bar and took out a bottle of red wine. Subsequently, she took out a wine glass

soon went

walked out of the master bedroom and went into the study room. After that,

she found it quite boring so she

suddenly realized that she didn't have any clothes to change into. However, she opened the cupboard in the room to find that it was actually filled to

clothes and noticed that it was all in her size. Is this for

it and went into the bathroom to take a shower. After her shower, she put on a pair

and 2 AM soon rolled by,

of the night, intending to

her bedroom slippers and pushed open the door

AM already. Why

surprised. Turns out the infamous domineering president is actually so busy with work that he doesn't even

was currently seated in front of his computer and he was on a conference call. The people

Kings! Your pretty little wife

#### Chapter 79

Veronica sat next to Matthew and he held up a glass of wine. Then, he sat there enjoying the wine.

The time ticked by gradually and they sat there enjoying their red wines. Meanwhile, Veronica continued to watch the reality TV show and it didn't take much to trigger a laugh from her. She laughed out loud from time to time, and she seemed to be in high spirits and she patted Matthew on the shoulders. "Look at them! *Ha*! This is too funny! That man's too silly."

"Oh-I can't stand this! This is so funny. My tummy aches so much from laughing too much!"

"The ice needs to be kept warm and using a blanket to wrap it up will only make it melt. Oh my gosh! Doesn't he have any common sense? This is too funny and cute!"

The huge condominium was generally quiet when Matthew was by himself and it was to the extent that one would not be able to sense any presence of a living person. However, Veronica's presence gave him

a feeling that he had never ever experienced. He was very engrossed in this homely sensation filled with so much joy and laughter, which was completely devoid of all the silence and coldness from before.

Just then, Matthew glanced at a giggling Veronica, who seemed to have lowered her guard around him. The happiness she experienced was very infectious and he found himself quite relaxed and happy too.

After quite some time, she finally fell asleep and she dozed off on the couch.

She looked quite cute and she resembled a naughty little girl who had just nodded off on the couch.

Meanwhile, Matthew held up the wine glass and downed the entire glass before placing it down. Subsequently, he walked toward her and lifted his hand, wanting to gently stroke her cheek. However, he suddenly recalled the guarded look in her eyes in the elevator and in the end, he merely took her into his arms to send her into the guest room.

Matthew leaned forward and gently placed her down on the soft bed but before he could move into a standing position, Veronica suddenly placed both of her hands around his neck and hugged him. At that point, he couldn't move a limb.

Just then, he frowned and tried to move, but she ended up hugging him tighter than

ever as she grunted. "You're so annoying," she muttered. "Stop moving."

As such, he couldn't bear to push her aside so he lay down next to her.

The soft bed sagged under Matthew's weight and Veronica suddenly sensed that there was something she could lean on next to her. In her mind, she thought that it was the huge teddy bear she had at home, so she instantly lifted her feet to place them over it.

Furthermore, she couldn't control herself and she nuzzled her face against Matthew's chest. Then, she found a comfortable position before falling into a deep slumber.

but Matthew found himself in an extremely

He could smell the distinct scent of her body and it triggered his senses, so it was pure

no longer contain himself so he pushed

him in a vise-like grip. She instinctively wound her

enjoyed placing both legs on top of the toy and it was very comfortable for her.

within him, and he couldn't

stand this tormenting situation, so he mercilessly pushed her aside and left the room in an awkward state. Truth was, Matthew was worried that he wouldn't be

Veronica enjoyed a good night's sleep and woke up at 7 AM

before opening her eyes to take a look at her surroundings. At that moment, she realized that she

surprise and then she instantly felt

everything was fine with her. After she had confirmed that she hadn't been violated by the despicable Matthew, she finally breathed a

of Grandma!" Veronica couldn't help laughing

of bed, she freshened up before walking to the living

rummage in the pantry as well as in the fridge to find something to eat. However, she didn't

when she suddenly thought of Matthew, so she ended up getting him

condominium, she walked toward his room and knocked on his door. "Hey, it's

inside, so she pushed the door open to peek inside. Just then, she realized that the room

that point, she scratched

are you looking for me?" Suddenly, a voice rang out from behind her and it startled

around and glared at Matthew. "What is wrong with you?! It's dangerous to jump out at someone from behind!" Significantly startled, she patted herself comfortingly

frightened if you don't have a guilty

dressed in a dark shirt paired with dress pants, his short hair slicked up neatly. There were a few buttons undone on his shirt and there was a slight smile on his jaw-dropping handsome face that left one breathless. He was in the midst of unbuttoning the button

who did

description of the domineering president generally found in comic

precise, loathed that despicable guy, she couldn't quite stop herself from

a sound

"I went downstairs to have

she had said that, she headed toward the study room. "Can

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Just then, Veronica tried to contain her laughter. "Matthew, don't tell me that you've never tried such noodles before in all your life? You have to mix it up before eating it. If you don't, I'm afraid there won't be any taste."

She was in high spirits so she suddenly felt that his current behavior was exceptionally comical. In short, he was her source of entertainment for today.

"I don't usually eat this," Matthew replied with a sincere expression and he didn't lie to her at all.

Upon hearing that, Veronica frowned and shook her head. "You're not a regular human being."

She walked forward and reached out to grab the cutlery from his hands before mixing the noodles. After she had mixed the sauce and the noodles evenly, she finally handed over the cutlery to him. "Try this again."

And so, Matthew took the cutlery and glanced at her before scooping another portion to take a bite.

The first mouthful tasted mediocre.

Then, the next mouthful was acceptable.

Subsequently, he tried it a third time.

"Not bad," he commented while scooping some more noodles to taste them.

Matthew's table manners were impeccable and he ate refinedly while chewing each mouthful slowly. He ate the bowl of noodles as if he was eating a three-course meal in a fine dining restaurant. Throughout, he behaved very refined and elegantly, and it was quite a pleasure to watch him eat.

Meanwhile, Veronica sat across the table from him and she stared at him unblinkingly as he ate.

Matthew, on the other hand, continued to enjoy the noodles while glancing at her. Suddenly, an inexplicable feeling rose within him and he felt as if he was already married to a pretty little wife, who specifically prepared breakfast for him and then sat there watching him eat. The scene in his mind was warm, peaceful, and lovely.

The current sensation dissipated quite shortly but somehow, he yearned for it to linger on.

In no time, Matthew finished his breakfast.

As for Veronica, she suddenly smacked the table and placed a piece of paper in front of him. "Here you go. Please settle the bill."

Written on the A4-sized paper were the words, 'Large noodles-eight; fresh soy milk

-two; delivery cost-ninety. Total-one hundred!

Although the large portion of noodles didn't cost that much, Veronica had the makings of a cunning businessperson.

don't have cash but it's fine because it can go

a pen to him. "-sign

did you order this from? Why

sheet from her as

your sister and I'm Grandma's god granddaughter, so my net worth has increased leaps and bounds, no? If it was in the past then I could charge you less but right

a serious expression and her

point, Matthew couldn't find the words to rebuke

across his handsome face as

boss. Here, let me clear the table for

the bin before wiping the table. She

need to go to the office. You can stay here and call me if you encounter

ahead." Veronica nodded her

leave and it would be even better if he didn't

gathered his belongings and he left without

floor of the basement and Thomas was already waiting there in the car. As soon as Matthew entered the car, Thomas started the engine and drove off slowly in the direction of the

and realized that the latter seemed to be in an exceptionally

whole morning gaming

at 11.30 AM, her cell

it in her hand and glanced at the screen to see that it was a call from Xavier. As soon as she answered the call, his voice rang out instantly. "Roni, where are you? I'm back in

"l'm at..."

want Xavier to misunderstand so she replied,

meet at the

Okay, that

but Xavier had helped her plenty of times and she was only treating him to a single meal. As such, despite being torn about it, she

to switch off the game, her cell

take a look and realized that it

I'm gaming

now that she was resurrected, she was about to quickly finish it off and end the

go for

By the way, we were too busy for the past two days so I didn't get a chance to ask you, but where's

arriving back, so she had completely

after coming back to

there anything else? If not, then I'll get off the line

Beep! Beep! Beep!