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Chapter 1681: The Breakup

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Chapter 1683: Bella Has Been Kidnapped

Shelly stared at Katie coldly and sarcastically.

After Katie said that, she was also a little embarrassed. She, too, knew that she had not raised Bella in all the years and was ashamed to say that she wanted Bella back now.

The two of them stood at the entrance for a while, with Shelly not responding to Katie. For one, she felt that Katie was not worth her time, and she even thought she had heard a joke.

Three years ago, Katie said she would leave the child to her. Yet, three years later, she wanted Bella back. There were no free lunches in this world.

“Shelly, I'm sorry. I know this might be unfair to you, but...” Katie mustered her courage and said when she saw that Shelly did not respond. Shelly interrupted her, “You can save it. I won't agree.”

Katie looked at Shelly in a daze.

With Bella in her arms, Shelly walked straight into the neighborhood. “Don't come looking for me again. I won't agree to it.”

Katie quickly pulled Shelly back and said anxiously, “Shelly, I have my reasons. I really had no choice. Can you listen to what I have to say?”

“There's nothing much for you to say.” Shelly was cold. “There are some things I don't want to say in front of Bella, but I'm sure you know your place. So, don't appear in front of me again.”

Not wanting to waste any more time with Katie, Shelly pushed Katie's hand away and left with Bella in her arms.

“Shelly, it's so late. Can you take me in?” Katie suddenly said, “I came all the way here and waited for you all night. I haven't even eaten dinner. Can you at least let me stay for one night?” Katie said.

Shelly pursed her lips.

Katie continued, “Shelly, I'm begging you. Can you just let me and Bella stay under the same roof for one night?”

Shelly looked at Katie, who was only three years older than her but got married early in their hometown. Not many of them would go to university, so they would get married and have children after graduating from high school. Katie was one of them.

Most of the women in their hometown were really uncultured, ignorant, and old-looking. Katie was 24 years old, but she looked at least 30 years old right now.

In the end, Shelly's heart softened, AND She said, “Yes.”

Katie quickly smiled and kept thanking Shelly. “Shelly, thank you. Thank you.”

Shelly did not want to be so cold to Katie either. Otherwise, Katie might take Bella away. With that, Shelly brought Katie into her house.

As Katie followed Shelly in, she could not help but sigh. “Shelly, is this your home?”

Shelly nodded. “Yes.”

“The last time I came to see you, you didn't even have a house of your own. You're really capable to have a house in just a few years! Unlike me, who takes care of my children, husband, and mother-in-law at home every day without any income. I really envy you for being able to have your own house in such a big city like South Hampton City,” Katie said sincerely.

Instead of replying to that, Shelly said, "Katie, you can stay in Bella's room tonight, and Bella will sleep with me."

Katie was stunned for two seconds before she looked at Bella. When Bella met Katie's gaze, she quickly dodged and hid behind Shelly. It was obvious that she was afraid of the person in front of her.

"As you can see, Bella is very afraid of you." Shelly said, "Why don't you go take a shower first? Did you bring a change of clothes?"

"Yes," Katie quickly said.

"Go ahead."

Katie nodded, not daring to say anything else.

Shelly watched as Katie walked into the bathroom and said to Bella, "I will send her away tomorrow. Don't be afraid. You'll be sleeping with me tonight."

"Alright," Bella replied in her innocent voice.

"Good girl," Shelly praised Bella.

After that, she made Bella watch television on the sofa while she went to the kitchen to prepare noodles for Katie.

She had heard Katie say that she had not eaten anything all night, so since there were only oats and fruits at home, she made some porridge. When Katie came out of the shower, Shelly said, "Come and eat." Katie was a little touched as she walked over and saw a bowl of porridge.

"Eat," Shelly said coldly. "I'll give Bella a shower.."

Chapter 1684: Bella Has Been Kidnapped

Katie nodded silently, and Shelly brought Bella into the bathroom.

The moment they walked in, Bella cried out, "It stinks..."

She was so disgusted that she covered her nose.

Shelly quickly flushed the toilet. It was Katie who did not flush the toilet, and the entire bathroom was also covered in water. Hence, Shelly gave the bathroom a little cleaning before giving Bella a bath. Bella said to Shelly, "Mommy, I don't like that person outside." Shelly's hand, which was washing Bella's hair, paused.

Then, she smiled and said gently, "I know. She will leave tomorrow."

"Okay." Bella smiled brilliantly.

She was happy because she thought that she would not have to see anyone out there tomorrow.

Shelly patted Bella's head. The way she saw it, she had raised Bella for so long that she had never thought of giving Bella to anyone.

She quickly gave Bella and herself a bath before bringing Bella straight to her room to sleep. She deliberately kept Bella away from Katie so that they would not have any contact. Since Katie was cruel enough to leave Bella behind back then, she had no right to take Bella away now.

After coaxing Bella to sleep, Shelly walked out of the room. Naturally, Katie was still in the living room.

Shelly glanced at the dining room and then at the kitchen. When she walked in, she saw that the bowls were washed but had water stains. On top of that, the kitchen counter was covered in water. Therefore, she washed the bowls again and dried them before wiping the counter clean.

Katie looked at Shelly and said after a while, "Shelly, you're so particular." In her hometown, they did not care about the water stains. She just had to Shelly, on the other hand, did not respond to Katie's comment.

After she was done with the kitchen, she walked to the sofa in the living room and sat down with Katie. She said, "Katie, you should leave tomorrow morning."

Katie was a little hurt, but Shelly would not be soft-hearted.

"Shelly, I know that you're prejudiced against me and that it was my fault for leaving Bella for you. But at the end of the day, Bella is my child, and I want to take her back." Katie said uncomfortably, "All these years, the thought of Bella has been keeping me up every night, and I haven't been able to sleep well."

"Since you think about her every night and can't get a good night's sleep, why didn't you come and visit Bella earlier?" Shelly mocked.

"I know you look down on me and think that I have no dignity, but the truth is that I couldn't afford to raise Bella back then. Because of Bella's disability, I didn't dare to take her back and be laughed at." As Katie spoke, tears flowed out of her eyes, and she looked like she felt bad for what she did.

"So now that Bella's ears have finally been healed, you want to take her away?"

Katie, you can't be so selfish!"

"I didn't come to take her away because her ears had been healed. In fact, I didn't know her ears had been healed. It's just that our hometown is being renovated into a new village, with our land and houses have been expropriated, our family has moved from the countryside to the town. We've also received some money from expropriating the house, so our conditions are much better now, and I'd like to take Bella back. We can finally support and raise her ourselves," Katie quickly explained.

"Forget it. You have three children at home. If you take Bella back with you, you won't be able to take care of her." Shelly said bluntly, "I won't let you take Bella away."

“Shelly...”

“There's nothing much for you to say.” Shelly was very determined. “Leave tomorrow morning and don't come looking for me again. I will take good care of Bella. When she grows up, I will tell her about her biological parents. If she's willing to go back and acknowledge you, I will not object to that. But before that, you can't take her away!”

Katie still had something to say, but Shelly had already stood up and returned to her room. Her attitude was firm. There was no room for discussion regarding Bella.

Shelly got up the next morning. When she opened the bedroom door, she saw Katie already making breakfast in the kitchen.

Shelly hurried over to see that Katie had made a mess in the kitchen. Despite that, she held it in and did not say anything.

Katie said enthusiastically, “Shelly, I'll cook for you and leave after breakfast.”

Shelly looked at Katie and nodded.

“I've made scrambled eggs. Wait for me on the sofa.”

Shelly turned around and walked straight into the bedroom, where Bella was still sleeping.

Although she did not want Katie to take Bella away, she was not as cruel as to make keep them away from each other..

Chapter 1685: Bella Has Been Kidnapped

When she went to wake Bella up, Bella opened her eyes in a daze. "Mommy, I want to sleep."

"Be good. Let's get up and eat breakfast." Shelly coaxed Bella.

Although Bella was unwilling, she agreed obediently.

Shelly carried Bella to wash up and help her get dressed before they walked out of the bedroom. By then, Katie had made porridge and placed it on the dining table.

"Shelly, Bella, come over and have breakfast." Katie was very enthusiastic.

Shelly carried Bella over. Seeing the three bowls of porridge on the dining table, Bella wrinkled her little nose, not very happy.

Katie asked, "Shelly, where's the honey?"

Shelly had a vivid memory from her childhood that back in their hometown, breakfast was usually porridge with honey.

At that, she said, "There's none at home. I'll go down to get some and buy some buns while I'm at it."

"Alright," Katie replied.

Then, Shelly said to Bella, "Bella, be good and eat the porridge first. I will buy you your favorite milk buns."

"Alright." Bella nodded obediently.

As Shelly walked to the door, she said to Katie, "Keep an eye on Bella for me." "Don't worry." Katie quickly nodded.

Shelly did not think too much about it either. Just like that, she walked out of the house and went downstairs to buy some honey and milk buns.

At the thought that Katie might not have had milk buns in the countryside before, she bought quite a few, hoping that Katie would eat more. Hence, she went home with a few more milk buns in her hands.

However, as soon as she returned home, she was stunned! There was no one at home, not Bella or Katie.

She hurriedly ran into the bedroom. "Bella! Bella!"

When no one responded, she rushed into the room where Katie had slept last night. Seeing that Katie's clothes were no longer in the room, she suddenly had a bad premonition about it.

She whipped out her phone and dialed a number. At that moment, even her fingers were trembling. She quickly and anxiously dialed Katie's number, but a mechanical voice came from the other end of the phone, saying that it was switched off.

Then, she hurriedly ran out of the house. However, there was no sign of Bella or Katie in the entire neighborhood or at the entrance. Her eyes were red from the panic, and she was on the verge of breaking down.

She knew very well that Katie had left with Bella, but she could not let Katie take Bella away. Hence, she told herself to calm down. Since Katie had taken Bella back to her hometown, she would follow them to her hometown now.

With that thought in mind, she quickly returned home to get her wallet with her identity card and bank cards. She did not even bring a change of clothes before she left the house, hailed a taxi, and went straight to the train station.

She knew that Katie would definitely catch the train and not take a flight. However, when she went to the train station, she could not find them anywhere. Left with no choice, she gritted her teeth and took a taxi to the airport.

The train ride would take 12 hours, whereas a flight would only take four hours. If she took a flight, she could just go straight to the train station there and wait for Katie to show up.

She thought about it and quickly bought a return ticket back to the city. Including the waiting time to board the plane, it took Shelly six hours to get to the airport and another hour to get to the train station.

She calculated the time and figured out that Katie would arrive in six hours by train at the earliest. Therefore, she waited at the exit, not letting anyone off.

At the seven-hour mark, the trucks from South Hampton City had made several trips, but Katie was still nowhere to be seen. She kept calling Katie until her phone was almost out of battery.

However, she did not dare to go to the train station to rent a power bank as she was afraid that she would miss Katie if she turned around. Knowing that Katie would definitely take the train back, she told herself to calm down.

She kept waiting, and 12 hours later, Shelly finally saw Katie coming out of the train station at 3 a.m. She was so excited that she hurried over and grabbed Katie, who was coming out of the station.

Katie jumped in fright, and when she saw Shelly clearly, she was shocked.

“Why are you here?” Katie asked in horror.

“Where's Bella? Where's Bella?” Shelly asked directly, not wasting any more time with Katie.

Katie's eyes flickered, and she did not answer for a long time.

“I'm asking you, where is Bella?” Shelly roared, her expression ugly.

Shocked, Katie quickly said, “Isn't Bella with you? Why are you here now- Ah!”

Chapter 1686: Bella Has Been Kidnapped

Katie screamed as Shelly grabbed Katie's hair and shouted angrily, "Where's Bella?"

"Let go of me! Ow! Let go of me!" Katie cried out in pain. She probably did not expect Shelly to be so crazy!

"I'm asking you, where is Bella? Tell me... Ah!"

Shelly was suddenly pushed to the ground by a strong force. When she hit the ground, she looked up fiercely at the burly man who had suddenly appeared in front of her. The man's face looked ferocious and scary!

"Hubby, hubby!" Katie quickly pulled the man back.

The man looked like he wanted to beat Shelly up, but Katie stopped him.

"She's Shelly. Don't hit her." Katie tugged at the man.

The man glared at Shelly and said sarcastically, "So this is the woman who helped raise my daughter!"

"Let's go." Katie glanced at Shelly on the ground and quickly dragged the man away.

"You're not allowed to leave!" Shelly got up from the ground.

Ignoring the pain in her body, she ran up to them and said, "Katie, if you don't tell me where Bella is, I won't let you go."

"Shelly, Bella is my daughter. Her whereabouts don't concern you, so don't worry about it. Go back! Without Bella, your life will be a little better!" "Katie!" Shelly really wanted to kill Katie.

Now, she regretted it buying her breakfast and giving Katie a chance to be alone with Bella! After all, she did not expect Katie to be so evil as to... She did even dare to imagine the scene of Katie taking Bella away by force!

“Enough!” Katie's husband stood in front of Shelly, his expression terrifying.” Bella is my daughter. What right do you have to interfere in her affairs? I'm telling you, get lost immediately, or don't blame me for being rude to you!”

“If you don't hand Bella over, I'll call the police! I'll call the police immediately!” Shelly roared.

“Go on! Bella is my daughter. What's the use of calling the police? If you call the police, I'll accuse you of kidnapping my daughter and get the police to arrest you!” the man said fiercely.

Shelly broke down. Ever since Katie had taken Bella away, she had been holding her emotions in. She kept telling herself that as long as she came to the train station earlier, she would be able to see Bella.

However, when she saw that Katie was alone, she could not even bring herself to imagine where Katie had left Bella, and her emotions finally erupted.

She rushed over and grabbed Katie's hair. She said fiercely, “Tell me, where did you take Bella? Tell me!”

Her voice sounded so heart-wrenching that it was as if she wanted to perish together with Katie. On the other hand, Katie felt like her scalp was going to fall off from Shelly's tugging, so she cried out in pain.

Seeing that, Katie's husband quickly tried to push Shelly away, but no matter how hard he tried, Shelly would not let go. Hence, Katie's husband also beat Shelly up non-stop.

The situation was out of control, and it instantly attracted the attention of the police, who hurriedly went over to separate them.

However, Shelly's eyes were red from the fight. As she could not hear anything from the outside world or feel any pain, she grabbed Katie's hair and refused to let go. Katie was in so much pain that she wanted to die.

Finally, Katie could not hold it in anymore. "I gave Bella away. I sent her away when I was in South Hampton City. It's useless for you to look for me now!"

Suddenly, Shelly seemed to come back to her senses. As soon as she loosened her grip, the police quickly separated them.

"What is this?" The police officer's expression was extremely stern. "Come with us to the police station."

"Officer, you've misunderstood. We're sisters, and we fought because we had some disagreements." Katie endured the pain in her scalp. "We'll go back immediately."

The police officer stared at them. He could vaguely see that Shelly and Katie had some similarities, even though Shelly looked much better.

"Is that so?" the police officer asked Shelly.

Shelly did not say anything as her mind was filled with Bella and what Katie said about her giving Bella away.

She snapped back to her senses. "Who did you give Bella to?"

"Explain to the police first. After that, I'll tell you," Katie quickly said.

Shelly gritted her teeth and said to the police, "She's my sister. We just had a conflict. "

"Show me your identity card."

The two of them took out their identification cards. After the police confirmed it, they educated them again before letting them go.

The moment the police left, Shelly quickly asked Katie, "Who did you give Bella to? Who?"

"Shelly, calm down." Katie looked at how agitated Shelly was and still felt a

lingering fear. She said, "Bella has been sent to a good family. You don't have to worry!"

"Katie, do you see Bella as your daughter or not? How can you give her away just like that? Are you crazy?"

"I did it for your and Bella's sake. You can't raise Bella as a single woman for the rest of your life. You have to get married too!" Katie said righteously.

"Who did you give Bella to? Where did you send her? What's their contact number? Tell me!" Shelly screamed.

Katie gritted her teeth and kept quiet, which provoked Shelly again.

"Enough! Why are you telling her so much? Bella is our daughter. There is no need to explain anything to her." With that, Katie's husband left with her..

Chapter 1687: Nox Helps Shelly To Find Bella

"I'll have you know that even if Bella is your biological daughter, human trafficking is a crime! As long as I call the police, you'll be arrested immediately!" Shelly shouted at their backs.

Upon hearing that, Katie and her husband stopped in their tracks.

Her husband's expression was ugly. "Who do you think you are? What right do you have to interfere in our family's matters? Believe it or not, I will beat you to death?"

“Go on!” Shelly said fiercely, “Even if you kill me, it's a life for a life! I'm all alone anyway. I'm not afraid of death!”

“You!” Katie's husband was livid, and his veins were bulging, making him look very ferocious.

“I'll count to three.” Shelly took out her phone.

In fact, her phone was already out of battery. However, her acting looked real.

“If you don't tell me where Bella has been sent to, I'll call the police immediately!”

“How dare you!”

“What do I have to be afraid of?” Shelly was determined.

Katie's husband felt a little scared when he saw Shelly getting serious, so he turned to look at Katie, who was also threatened by Shelly.

Her eyes reddened as she said, “Shelly, we had no choice. My youngest son has been diagnosed with leukemia, and we need a large sum of money. I had no choice but to hand Bella over to someone else. Don't worry, the other party's family is very good. They won't mistreat Bella!”

“Didn't you sell the land for a lot of money? Can't you use that money to treat your son's illness?” Shelly roared.

Katie's actions truly shattered her worldview!

“I need that money too. Shelly, I have three sons. Don't I have to leave them some money? Otherwise, how can they get married in the future? I know you grew up in a big city, but that's the tradition where we come from. Only sons can carry on the family line. Bella will get married sooner or later, so wouldn't it be the same if we sent her away earlier? Weren't you sent away like that too?”

“Look at how good your life has been since you left our hometown. You've become much prettier, and you have a house in the city. Although we're selfish, we're doing this for Bella's good!”

Shelly could not take it anymore. How long would it take those people to change their mindset of favoring sons over daughters? Were women so worthless to them?

She said, “I don't want to waste my breath on you or hear any explanations from you. Your explanations disgust me! Right now, all I want to know is who you gave Bella to and where you sent her! If you don't tell me, I'll make the call!”

As she spoke, she was about to make a call.

“Shelly!” Katie quickly went forward to stop her.

Shelly waved her hand and dodged.

“Shelly! I actually don't know where Bella has been taken to!” Katie was so flustered that she finally admitted it.

Shelly's face turned cold.

“I was introduced through an intermediary. After that, I went straight to South Hampton City, and that was where Bella was sent away. The other party said he was afraid that we would look for her in the future, so he gave me the money without leaving any information. I'm not lying to you. I really don't know where Bella is!” Katie's eyes were red. “Even if you call the police now, there's nothing I can say. Please, can you let me go? I'm really not doing well!”

While speaking, Katie suddenly knelt in front of Shelly. There were not many people coming and going in the wee hours of the morning, but there were still a few people who looked over.

“My life is very difficult as it is, and I don't have any source of income. Now that our youngest son is sick, none of the in-laws are willing to give us money to treat our youngest son, and neither is our family. Don't you know how our family treats us? They don't see us as their daughters at all. Now that I'm married, I'm part of someone else's family, and Mom and Dad will never care about me. Have they come to visit you all these years? For all you know, they might've forgotten about you! ”

Shelly suppressed her emotions and glared at Katie.

“Shelly, my hands are tied. I had no choice but to let Bella save my son's life. No matter what, if I sold Bella, Bella would still be able to live a good life. But if I didn't, my youngest son would die. Please understand my situation!” Katie's eyes were filled with tears and she stared at Shelly..

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Then, she started crying, looking extremely miserable.

Shelly finally understood the saying, you make the bed that you lie in. Katie had only herself to blame for living such a miserable life. Hence, she just stared at Katie coldly.

Katie's husband also turned a blind eye to it. To him, he probably did not think much of Katie.

Shelly's eyes flickered, and she said, “Katie, tell me where Bella is. I promise I will give you money to treat your youngest son. How much does treatment for leukemia cost? Is 200 thousand enough? If I sell the house and add some of my savings, I can give you 200 thousand dollars! Just tell me where Bella is!”

Katie was surprised by Shelly's words. She did not believe Shelly would give her the money. Moreover, it was 200 thousand dollars!

Now that they had found a match for her youngest son's bone marrow, the doctor said that the surgery would cost more than 30 thousand dollars.

Coupled with the follow-up treatment, it would cost at most 50 to 60 thousand dollars. If she was given 200 thousand dollars, she would have extra money left to use.

“I mean what I say!” Shelly confirmed her offer when saw Katie remaining silent.

Katie looked at Shelly and was extremely moved, but she cried even harder.

She said, "What I told you just now is the truth. I really don't know where Bella went. This morning, I brought Bella to the designated place. Then, that person gave me 300,000 yuan in cash and left. The cash is still in my backpack. I'm not lying to you!"

If she had a choice, of course, she hoped to get the 200 thousand dollars from Shelly!

"Katie!" Shelly lost her temper.

"Shelly, between 200 thousand and 30 thousand, I will definitely choose the 200 thousand dollars. I swear, I'm not lying to you. I'm really not..." As she spoke, she started wailing again.

Shelly looked at Katie. In fact, she knew that Katie did not lie to her. There was no way that Katie would rather pick 30 thousand over 200 thousand dollars! Thus, Bella had indeed been sent to an unknown place.

At the thought of that, Shelly could feel herself falling backward as if she might faint in the next second.

However, she thought to herself, 'No! I cannot accept Bella leaving my side just like that. It's unacceptable!'

With that, she gritted her teeth and turned to leave. Since Bella had disappeared in South Hampton City, she should return to South Hampton City now to look for her.

She quickly walked to the self-service area of the train station, bought a power bank with cash, and left the train station. Then, she took a taxi to the airport and took a plane back to South Hampton City.

When she arrived at South Hampton City, the first thing she did was call the police. The way she saw it, no matter how hard Katie tried to plead for herself, it was useless. Since Katie had broken the law, she should be punished.

After she called the police, she went straight to the police station to explain what had happened. The police filed a case for her and told her to go back to wait for news. Once there was news, he would inform her in time. As such, Shelly could only leave the police station.

When she returned to the neighborhood, it was already nighttime. Shelly had even forgotten that she had not eaten all day, and she was mentally and physically exhausted.

Right now, her mind was still filled with Bella and her innocent and adorable smile. Tears streamed down her face, and she could barely see the road ahead.

The moment the elevator door opened, she walked out and walked towards the door of her house. However, there was a man standing at the door with a bouquet of flowers in her hand. It was Nox.

As with Jeanne's plan, Nox came to see Shelly a month later. According to

Jeanne, he should give Shelly process her feelings. If he had appeared when Shelly and Brandon had just broken up, Shelly would have rejected him. Thus, he counted the days, and finally, he could not hold back his love anymore.

In fact, he had been waiting at the door for at least an hour, but he just could not muster the courage to knock. The thought of Shelly's rejection made him inexplicably afraid.

'Damn it,' he thought. 'Am I still a man?'

Just as he finally mustered up the courage to knock on the door. He suddenly saw Shelly, who seemed to be in a daze, but upon closer inspection, he could see her tear-stained and haggard-looking face.

Could it be... Had she been crying the entire month since Benjamin left? Was Benjamin that important to her? Did the breakup make her life that?

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Nox was furious, but before he could release his anger on Shelly, he saw Shelly collapse in front of him.

'F*ck!' he cursed. Did Shelly dislike him so much that she had to faint as soon as she saw him?

Nox quickly went over to help Shelly up. He called her name a few times, but he was still scared out of his wits. Hence, he quickly called the ambulance, picked Shelly up, and ran out like crazy.

'Shelly, don't you dare to die in front of me. If you dare to die in front of me... Damn it!' He realized that he was helpless against Shelly.

The ambulance arrived very quickly. Nox nervously carried Shelly into the ambulance that sent her to the hospital and the emergency room. Then, the doctor informed him that she had just fallen asleep from exhaustion.

Nox looked at the sleeping Shelly and was speechless. Was that woman crazy? He could not understand why that woman would want to make herself suffer like that!

Nevertheless, he stayed by Shelly's side as she slept. He did not know if beauty was in the eye of the beholder, but he thought Shelly looked really good when she was asleep. As he stared at her delicate features, he could not help but...

Jeanne said he could not touch Shelly. At the very least, he should not do anything too intimate when Shelly had no feelings for him. Therefore, he suppressed his urge to kiss Shelly and just sat beside Shelly, bored out of his mind.

After some time, Shelly's eyebrows twitched, which was a sign that she was about to wake up. Seeing that, Nox got very nervous. For some reason, he was that Shelly would wake up.

"Bella... No, don't leave me, Bella..." Shelly's words were unclear.

Nox frowned, wondering whether that woman was having a nightmare. She looked like she was in extreme pain.

"Shelly," Nox called her, trying to wake her up from her nightmare.

"Don't take Bella away. Don't take Bella away..." Shelly shouted.

Her body twisted and turned as if something terrible was happening in the dream.

“Shelly, wake up. You're having a nightmare... Oh.” Nox was suddenly stunned.

He had lowered his head to shake Shelly awake and did not expect Shelly to hug him tightly. It was as if she had grabbed onto a life-saving straw.

Nox did not dare to move. At that moment, his entire body had stiffened from Shelly's hug, but seeing Shelly so dependent on him gave him an unprecedented sense of satisfaction.

As he could not help but reach out to hug her back, Shelly suddenly opened her eyes in the next second. When she opened her eyes, their eyes met.

Nox's hand froze, not daring to touch Shelly. For some reason, he felt like he had been caught red-handed when, clearly, he had not done anything. Furthermore... it was Shelly who hugged him.

Nox quickly defended himself nervously, “You took the initiative. I didn't touch you!”

Shelly stared blankly at him for a long time before her eyes regained focus.

When she saw the person in front of her, the disgust on her face was obvious.

Nox also saw it and was naturally unhappy. Just how disgusting was he to her?

Shelly pushed Nox away, and Nox also let go of her.

“You threw yourself at me. I had nothing to do with it.” Nox looked innocent.

Instead of saying something, Shelly observed her surroundings, and only then did she remember that she had fainted.

When she fainted, she vaguely saw Nox, whom she thought was an illusion. However, it was really Nox. In her dream, she even dreamt of Nox helping her to save Bella... She bit her lip.

When Nox saw Shelly ignoring him, he got angry. However, he had no choice but to listen to Jeanne. After all, Jeanne had easily broken up Shelly and Benjamin, and he had done so much for nothing.

Even though he had yet to find out what Jeanne had done, he was truly impressed. Hence, he would listen to her every word.

The first thing Jeanne told him was not to lose his temper at Shelly; even if he was about to die of anger, he had to endure it. Judging from Shelly's fondness for Benjamin, she preferred men who were gentle..

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Nox calmed his breathing and endured it.

He said, "The doctor said you fainted because you were too tired. It's nothing serious. If you want to be hospitalized, you can stay for two more days; I've paid for it. But if you don't want to stay, you can be discharged. I'll head off now."

Jeanne said he had to learn not to pester Shelly, which meant he should leave after finishing the matter so that Shelly would not find him annoying.

Today, he was just going to deliver the flowers and then leave. He had never thought of pestering her, and naturally, it was the same at that moment.

Just as he turned around and was about to leave, Shelly suddenly called out to him, "Nox."

Nox's body tensed up, and he told himself not to get excited.

He had to make himself look like he did not care as he turned around. "Is there anything else?"

"Do you still want to be with me?" Shelly suddenly asked him seriously.

Nox was stunned. Did Shelly wake up on the right side of the bed?

"If I agree to be with you, can you help me find Bella?" Shelly asked him calmly.

However, deep down, she was trying his best to control herself from breaking down and not thinking about the pain of having Bella taken away from her.

Nox was confused again. What the hell was Shelly talking about?

"My sister has sold Bella, and I don't know where she is now. I called the police, but they told me to go home and wait for the news. I don't know how long I can wait, but I'm afraid I won't be able to wait for Bella to return." "Speak clearly!" Nox became serious.

Shelly looked at Nox. In the end, she explained everything to him

Nox gritted his teeth. He could not believe such irresponsible parents existed in this world. He thought he was unreliable, but they were people worse than him!

"Help me find Bella, and I'll be with you again," Shelly repeated.

She knew nothing came for free. If she wanted Nox to help her, she had to make a deal with him.

She had nothing to trade with Nox, who already had everything he wanted. However, Nox was currently pursuing her. Regardless of whether he liked her or what would happen in the future, as long as she could find Bella again, she was willing to die, let alone be with Nox. After all, what more would a person who was unafraid of death care about?

Nox stared at Shelly. Then, without giving her an answer, he turned around and left the ward. After he left, he started to make phone calls and give instructions before personally joining the search for Bella.

He did not know too much about the relationship between Bella and Shelly. All he knew was that for Bella, Shelly was willing to throw away her studies, become a single mother that was looked down upon by others, and live such a hard life. Worse, she was willing to agree to be together with him for Bella's sake.

He knew very well how much Shelly hated him, yet she was willing to give up everything for Bella. Based on that fact alone, he could not fathom how important Bella was to Shelly.

After Nox left for a week, the police still did not have any concrete information. Coupled with the fact that Nox did not give her any promises or reply, Shelly was in despair.

Harken was huge. Where on earth was she going to find Bella? Bella might even have been taken overseas... Anything was possible.

She looked at her phone, where Nox's number was displayed on the screen. Her only hope was still Nox. If Nox could not do it, he could ask the Leader to do it for him.

In fact, she had a feeling that Nox could do it if he were willing to help her, but what reason did he have to help her?

Perhaps he was just unsatisfied with not having had her and only wanted her because he could not get her. Once he got her, he lost interest. What could she expect from Nox?

With that thought in mind, she quietly put down her phone and decided to make another trip to the police station.

She had just opened the door when she suddenly saw a man in front of her. Shelly's eyes flickered as she stared at Nox, who looked weak and dirty.

"Nox-" Before she could speak, she saw Bella walk out from behind Nox.

Upon seeing Bella's dirty appearance, she was shocked. However, it was the Bella whom she thought she would never see again.

The moment Bella saw her, her tears instantly flowed out. "Mommy...Mom..."

Shelly thought she was hallucinating. For the entire week, it felt to her as if Bella had never left her side the entire time. Hence, she did not dare to believe that it was real.

Then, she looked at Bella, who was crying as she hugged Shelly's calf. The real touch made Shelly's heart tighten and made Shelly realize that it was not an illusion.

Shelly slowly squatted down and hugged Bella tightly in her arms. The two of them were in tears.

Meanwhile, from the side, Nox watched as Shelly sobbed. He could not believe that, after much effort, he finally found Bella.

Then, he suddenly felt his vision go dark, and he fell to the ground. As expected, he would faint if he was exhausted to the bone.

He had initially despised Shelly for overworking herself, but now that he finally experienced it, all he wanted was to sleep peacefully for a day and a night!