## Chapter 101

I Just Want to Hear You Say That You Love Me

Miles just received 500,000 from Stella's investments.

What a coincidence! Could this be Mom's trick, or is it really a coincidence? Why would she transfer the money one day before Stella transferred the money to me? If she knew about Stella's plan to invest, then this might genuinely be her trick!

Adele certainly wanted to tell Miles that Stella used the money that she gave her to invest. However, Miles didn't believe that it was possible because Stella had already mentioned investing a long time ago. The only reason Stella didn't transfer him the money was that she experienced some delays, and Adele took advantage of this chance to pull a trick.

Everything took just one day. Mom is really a master manipulator.

Miles knew Adele full well, but he felt like he just got to understand Stella. Despite that, he knew that Stella wasn't someone like that.

On the other hand, Stella found out that 500,000 miraculously appeared in her bank account, and it was evident that she wouldn't accept the money from Adele. Hence, she added Adele's phone number into her account so that she would be able to message her, as she didn't have Adele's bank account number.

'Is this Mrs. Grant?' Stelle asked in advance to prevent any unwanted mistakes.

'Miss Johansson?'

Stella didn't reply to her. Confirming that this person was Adele, she immediately transferred the money back to her using PayPal. However, since she could only transfer 200,000 at most using PayPal, she got her staff to add Adele by claiming that they had something to discuss with her. Adele wouldn't accept their friend requests if they told her that they added her to give her back her money.

After Stella's staff managed to add Adele, they immediately transferred 200,000 and 100,000 back to Adele, respectively.

Annoyed, Stella also left Adele a message. 'Do you think your son is only worth 500,000?'

A while later, Adele replied to her message. 'I've already blocked all of your workers. You should know the reason why.'

At that moment, Stella was so pissed that she felt like she was about to cry. Adele was from the upper class, so she naturally didn't want her account to be spammed by retail workers. However, Stella obviously couldn't tell her workers that.

At her shop, her workers kept complaining to her as well. "Miss Johansson, she's so ungrateful?!"

'Miss Johansson, if you transferred the money back to me, does that mean that what we agreed on previously doesn't count anymore?'

Stella replied. 'Don't be worried, Mrs. Grant. I only like people with the same interests as I do, and your son doesn't have that yet.'

It wasn't like she wanted to be rude, but Adele's behavior had crossed her bottom line. At that moment, she was so mad she felt like her heart was about to combust.

Right then, Adele took a screenshot of what Stella said and sent it to Miles, thinking that he would misunderstand Stella along with the 500,000 she took to invest, as he still didn't know that Stella had already returned the 500,000 sent to her.

Miles was in his office when he received the screenshot of Stella and Adele's conversation.

Similar interests? Matthew? Hmph! Miles harrumphed mentally.

Then, he contacted his secretary to get him a plane ticket to Murdough.

Stella felt mentally exhausted by the time she returned to her house during noon. However, right when she got to her house's entrance, she saw Miles smoking in front of her door, and he squinted his eyes at her from above when he noticed her.

"Why are you here again?" Stella asked.

"Again? Do you honestly not want me to come over?" Miles retorted with annoyance.

Still, Stella refused to answer because she was too tired to argue with him. Right after she entered her house and took off her high heels, Miles pulled her into his embrace before he pushed her against the door behind her.

"A person with similar interests?" Miles stared at Stella with jealousy evident in his eyes.

Stella came to a realization of what happened right then. Adele had taken a screenshot of their conversation and sent it to Miles. Immediately, she felt betrayed, for she knew that Adele would deliberately leave out most parts of the conversation and cherry-pick certain parts to show Miles. Her mood was already in the dumps today, so she looked to the other side and refused to say anything.

"Are you going to tell me who you share similar interests with? Matthew? Huh?" Miles' hoarse and raspy voice made his voice sound even lower.

Stella moved her head again, still refusing to talk. Is this mother and son duo here to bully me today?

When Miles noticed that Stella looked like she wasn't in a good mood, he lifted her and took her to the bed. However, what was odd was that Stella didn't even try to fight against him as she knew that she wasn't his match, and trying to fight would only make her even more tired.

Still, Miles couldn't help but get triggered by Stella's expression, and every time he was angry, he would start teasing her.

He started getting rougher as Stella clung to his neck, and she could feel her bottom becoming a wet mess. Although she knew that Miles wasn't responsible for that, she couldn't help but feel embarrassed about it, as it was as if she had been anticipating him.

Right then, Miles latched his lips onto Stella's ear and asked, "Who do you love?"

"Do you even have to ask that?" Stella sounded angry, as if she was about to flip.

Firstly, Adele blocked all of her workers to make her feel the inequality between humans, and then she proceeded to send Miles a screenshot of their conversation. Soon after, Miles came over to pick on her when she was in a bad mood.

Upon seeing Stella's teardrop on the pillow, Miles slowed down and became more gentle.

"I'm not a gold digger, and I've already returned all your mother's money to her." Stella's voice cut through the ambiguous atmosphere right then.

"I know that," Miles replied. He knew that Stella was an innocent woman, and he merely came over today just to hear her say he was the one she loved. Indeed, the two of them didn't have similar interests. On the contrary, Stella and Matthew suited each other better.

The jealousy that Miles tried very hard to suppress came up again because Matthew was his best friend. Moreover, he couldn't tell if Matthew liked Stella or not, as he had always been trying to get him and Stella to be together. Therefore, he couldn't express his anger anywhere.

Besides, Stella's crying made Miles feel really useless for not being able to protect her. After all, the person who hurt her was none other than his own mother.

He figured that she had already categorized him as someone like his mother by now.

Then, he planted a soft and gentle kiss on Stella's lips as an attempt to make her feel better.

Every time Stella was near him, he felt relaxed, as if she was the calamity in his life that prevented him from having any feelings toward other women. He only wanted to be with her every day and spent the rest of his life with her, but she kept making him jealous, causing him to have nowhere to release his pent-up sexual frustration.

Miles wanted to win her over, but this woman's heart was as if the cloud in the sky, and he couldn't seem to catch it no matter what. Since he couldn't win her heart, he might as well win her body.

Miles hated being on top of her and playing rough, but he couldn't control himself. Without allowing Stella any time to react, he started kissing her ear.

"Are you pregnant?"

The light in Stella's room wasn't turned on as Miles narrowed his eyes and started releasing his sexual frustration on Stella.

"No way! It's impossible!"

However, Miles immediately understood what she was trying to say.

"Are you trying to say that we are not doing it enough?" Indeed, the only time that they did it was a long time ago at the hotel.

"No. I'm saying that I'm not fertile, so it's hard for me to get pregnant!" Stella tilted slightly and narrowed her eyes before explaining. She had gone to the hospital to do a checkup the last time she missed her period, and the doctor told her that it was hard for her to get pregnant due to her body condition.

"We can just do it more frequently!" Miles exclaimed.

However, that wasn't what Stella was trying to say. Moreover, their relationship was too ambiguous right now, and she didn't want their relationship to continue this way.

That night, Miles did his best to send Stella to cloud nine. At the same time, Stella didn't seem to be against it because she loved it.

Gabriella used to be that thorn in Stella's heart in the past, but she realized that Gabriella was nothing after she negotiated with Adele. Once the fog was clear, Stella became more open to things.

The next day when she woke up, Miles was already dressing up, and he looked like he was about to leave.

"Are you leaving?" Stella was lying in bed with her head propped on her hand, making her look somewhat lazy but sexy.

"Yes." Miles turned around and gave her a glimpse as he took in her look right then.

"What are you going to do?"

"It's a secret!"

"You can't even tell me about it?" Stella asked again.

Miles grinned. From Stella's words, he could tell that she had already known that she was different from anyone else.

"Yes. It's a secret." After saying that, Miles told her to stay at home and sleep for a while longer if she was tired. As Stella was still tired from yesterday, she took another nap.

It was already noon when Stella woke up again. When she reached out for her phone, she noticed a message from Matthew. 'I've been thinking about transferring you to come work at the headquarters.'

However, Stella wasn't surprised to see that. She always knew that this day would come as Matthew obviously sent her to America to study so that she could be of use upon her return, and there was no need for her to design anything at her shop in Murdough, as it was just a retail store.

Since Matthew was already planning for her, she didn't have to worry about it anymore. Then, she got up to freshen up before she went to her shop.

The car that Zane gifted Stella had already been driven away, and when she contacted Zane to come over to take it back, he was chill about it and claimed that the car was a bad omen since it caused her harm. In the end, he drove it away to avoid her from seeing it as an eyesore.

When Stella was checking the accounts of their sales in the shop, she could vaguely hear her worker pushing someone around at the entrance.

Looking up, she noticed a homeless-looking man wanting to enter the shop to rest as he was drained. However, he was rejected by her employee because they claimed that he was too dirty and no one would enter their shop if he came in.

Stella watched on as she tried to find a suitable solution to this matter. The homeless man looked old, and it wasn't good if they just drove him out.

Right when she was about to say something, the man suddenly spoke to her. "Tsk, tsk, tsk. Young lady, from your looks, I can tell that your luck in career and marriage isn't in Murdough. Instead, you should look for them in the north! I can also see that you're having problems in your relationship."

Upon hearing that, Stella was taken aback. She knew that there were many experts in this world, so it wasn't surprising to run into someone who mastered the art of reading a person's life through their faces. But where exactly was north?