

Cinderella And Her Beautiful Octuplets

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Arianna is seen climbing down the stairs. She was with the kids in their room when she heard noises and decided to come see what was going on.

"What's going on?" Arianna asked and both Hannah, Brandon, and Jessica turned to Arianna.

"Jessica, you are back. I have been trying to call you" Arianna said as her eyes came in contact with Jessica.

"You should ask your daughter what she's been doing with Jeff Mikealson," Brandon said and stared at them without saying a word and then walked away.

"Honey, what happened? What are you doing with Jeff Mickelson? I know you went to his house today" Arianna said and Jessica scoffed

"How did you know I was with him at his house? You had me followed?! When I thought today could get any better" Jessica said and sighed softly

"Jessica, you don't have to do what Brandon says. I know Jeff is a monster and he might have hurt you, but you do not have to marry him" Hannah said and tears slipped down Jessica's eyes.

"No, He hurt my feelings, all this time he's been playing me and using me to get to you and Brandon and the company. No, I won't let go just like that, he's going to pay for it" Jessica said as she wiped her tears, stood up, and walked away from them.

Arianna sighed not knowing what to say. Her daughter was feeling hurt. She never wanted Jessica to experience this, now she felt she'd failed as a mother.

"I failed her. I have failed as a mother and a parent. I failed Jessica. I was supposed to make sure she doesn't get hurt" Arianna said sadly and Hannah sat beside her.

"No, don't say that, you didn't fail as a mother, you are the best mother in this world.

Take a look at me, I would still be that girl whom Jeff used years ago, but then you came into my life and helped me.

And Jessica is lucky to have a mother like you.

The wedding is not going to happen, I can stop it if you want me to" Hannah said and Arianna paused for some minutes before she finally spoke.

"No, you are not going to stop the marriage. I want it to happen. Jeff has crossed the line, he's crossed the boundary this time and he's not gonna go Scott free.

He needs to be taken down once and for all, this time for good" Arianna said and Hannah went silent as she didn't know what to say.

Just then the front door opened revealing Micheal Adams.

"Hey, Micheal. I didn't know you would be here" Hannah said as she stood up.

"Yeah, Mrs Mackenzie called me," Micheal said and Hannah turned to Arianna.

"Yes I called him, there's something I want him to do for me," Arianna said and Hannah nodded and then turned to Micheal.

"I will leave you guys to talk," Hannah said and was about to walk away when Micheal called her, making her stop.

"Hannah " Micheal called and she turned towards him.

"I heard They found the culprit and it was Liam. I'm glad your name has finally been cleared" Micheal said and Hannah nodded in response before walking away.

"You said Jeff needs to be taken care of. What happened?" Micheal asked as he sat beside Arianna.

"Yeah, he hurt Jessica," Arianna said

"What do you want me to do? Do you want me to take him off the picture for good?" Micheal asked

"No, I don't want him to die. Yet! He needs to suffer, I would start by stripping him of all his wealth and everything he's ever worked for, till he's got nothing" Arianna said as she felt so much anger inside of her. "And how are you gonna do that?" Micheal asked.

Meanwhile, Jessica is seen in her room sitting on her bed looking sober when the door opens revealing Alexander, the butler.

"Hey," Alex muttered as he walked inside the room, closing the door behind him.

"Hey," Jessica muttered in response.

"I heard everything just now. I'm so sorry you have to go through all of that" Alex said and Jessica nodded.

Alex sat beside her and Jessica stared at him and placed her head on his shoulder.

"My best friend was part of this too. I knew Krystal wouldn't just convince me to marry Jeff because she never liked him from the beginning.

I remember the first time I told Krystal about Jeff, she told me to find someone else that Jeff wasn't a good match for me and then all of a sudden she came to my house to convince me Jeff was the one for me. I was just so dumb" Jessica said calmly, sounding so sad and depressed.

"I'm so sorry, Jessica," Alex said. Alex has always liked Jessica, even if he knows the both of them cannot be, he just hates to see her in so much pain.

"Jeff was so nice and sweet to me. He knew how to get to me. He treated me like a queen and I fell for him.

The way he treated me was just too good to be true. That son of a bitch" Jessica cried. She thought she'd found the one, not knowing Jeff was just using her.

"Hey, stop crying alright? If there's Anything you want me to do to help, I would gladly do it" Alex said and Jessica nodded and wiped her tears.

All she wants now is to make Jeff pay and nothing else.

She stood up at once.

"Where are you going?" Alex asked

"To Brandon," Jessica said and walked out of her room.

Meanwhile, Hannah is seen in Brandon's study room speaking with him.

"I know Jeff, he's a sick bastard, but you don't have to make Jessica marry him," Hannah said to Brandon.

"Jessica marrying Jeff is the only way we can get back at him. Can't you see what I'm seeing Hannah?

Jeff is not going to stop, he's gonna keep trying to get back at you. He's going to keep trying to get back at me and my company, thereby putting everything and everyone's life in danger.

Jeff is nothing without all his wealth, therefore we need to cut off the source of his power and the only way to do that is for Jessica to marry him" Brandon said and Hannah sighed softly. "But Brandon...."

"I'm in, I will marry Jeff. Just tell me what to do, all I want is to make Jeff pay" Jessica said, cutting off Hannah's speech.

Hannah turned to Jessica and sighed softly.

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Hannah sighed softly and walked out of the study room leaving Jessica and Brandon all alone. Their mind was already made up and there was nothing she could do about it.

It wasn't like she had a soft spot towards Jeff because he deserved whatever was coming for him, but instead, all she could think about was Jeff's Son, David.

David was still a child, if Jeff went down, his child was gonna suffer. He's still a kid and doesn't deserve such.

She just wished David was not Jeff's child and was hers. Jeff doesn't care about his child, because if he did, he wouldn't do whatever he was thinking about. She sighed as she climbed down the stairs. Micheal was about to leave.

"I will be on my way, Hannah," Micheal said and Hannah smiled.

"It was nice seeing you today," Hannah said and Micheal nodded in response, before opening the door and walked out of the house.

A few minutes after he walked out, the door opened again, and then the Devil in black walked in, dragging a luggage inside the house.

Both Hannah and Arianna kept staring at her wondering who owned the luggage.

"Alexander, I need some help here" Grandma Elizabeth yelled and turned only to see Hannah and Arianna staring at her.

"Oh wow, guess who we have here, The gold digger. I thought you left with your kids, what are you doing here?" Elizabeth asked and Hannah rolled her eyes.

"You have no right to ask me what I'm doing here. Besides, this is my husband's house and I can come and go anytime I want, and guess what? This time, I'm back to stay for good " Hannah said and Elizabeth scoffed.

"Says the Divorced wife. you must be joking because I know you and Brandon are divorced" Elizabeth said and Arianna laughed.

"Then you got misinformed. Brandon never signed the divorce paper and as long as he didn't sign it, this house and everything he has belongs to me" Hannah said as she waved her hands, flaunting the Diamond ring on her finger. Elizabeth glared at her disgustingly.

"In case you are curious, Brandon got her the ring," Arianna said and Elizabeth scoffed

"Now I know what happened to the Kardashian's stolen ring," Elizabeth said

"What's going on here?" Brandon asked.

He and Jessica could be seen climbing down the stairs.

He then saw a big luggage beside Elizabeth.

"Is someone moving in?" Jessica asked and Elizabeth smiled.

"No, I went shopping, most of my clothes were old and I needed to change of wardrobe," Elizabeth said Jessica didn't say a word instead she walked away. Just then Brandon heard his phone ring, it was a call from the DPO.

He quickly answered the call and walked away from them.

"Hello," Brandon muttered as he answered the phone call.

"Hello, sir. Liam has been requesting to see you, he said he has something important to tell you" the police officer said and Brandon sighed softly.

The police officers were easy on Liam and listened to what he says because of the connection he had when he was with him.

"I will be there in a jiffy," Brandon said and ended the call. He hopped inside his car and zoomed off.

Brandon is seen with Liam, sitting in an empty room. There was a police officer with them but Brandon asked him to leave and give them some privacy. "What did you want to talk about?" Brandon asked as he maintained a straight face.

"I know you hate me, Brandon. But I'm sorry.

I just wanted to tell you the truth about everything" Liam said and Brandon nodded and asked him to continue.

"I knew from the start that Rhoda wasn't the woman you raped years ago. I was the one who paid her and told her everything she was going to do because you were so eager to find that lady and if you didn't, it might ruin our friendship. I had to think of something. Rhoda started acting out and was posing to be a threat to Hannah and her kids. I warned her several times but she threatened to expose me to you.

Until she kidnapped Jayden and I found out. She planned on killing Jayden, but when I found out she held him hostage, I confronted her and she tried to kill me.

I didn't mean to kill her, it was a mistake. I was so scared that I had to lie and make it look like Hannah did it.

I'm so sorry Brandon, please forgive me" Liam cried and Brandon kept staring at him without saying a word.

He felt speechless. He then stood up and gave Liam one last stare, then walked out of the room leaving Liam all alone.

At the Colby's Mansion

A Black car screeched to a halt in front of Colby's mansion. Brandon alighted the car and walked inside the house, where he met Arianna playing with the kids.

It was already dark outside, which meant Hannah and the kids would be spending the night. Brandon didn't know why, he felt a leap of joy in his heart.

He climbed upstairs and went to his room which is also Hannah's room. He opened his door and the room was empty.

He wondered why Hannah wasn't in the room. Just then he caught a glimpse of Hannah's phone on the bed.

He sighed softly knowing she must be somewhere around the house. He was about to walk out of the room when he saw Hannah walk out of the bathroom with a towel wrapped around her chest and a towel wrapped around her hair too.

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Brandon swallowed into nothing as he stared at her flawless skin. Hannah, who had now noticed Brandon's presence in the room, yelled at once.

"What are you staring at?" She yelled and Brandon, who was already in deep thoughts, jolted out of it.

"What's wrong? Ain't you my wife? Besides, if I see a thing I haven't seen before, I would throw a thousand dollars at it" Brandon said and Hannah frowned.

"I need to get dressed, leave," Hannah said and Brandon rolled his eyes.

"Seems like you've forgotten we are married, it's high time we start doing what other couples do," Brandon said and sat on the bed not willing to leave the room.

"We ain't a couple. I'm still waiting for you to sign the divorce papers. Do you think we are good because I came here?"

Oh, you are wrong, Brandon, I only came here because of the kids and I'm here now because they refused to go home with me and Arianna begged me to stay. So please, stop making it look like it's because of you. Besides, the both of us will never work and just so you know, I have someone else already" Hannah lied as she stared at Brandon whose facial expressions changed immediately.

Brandon stood up from the bed and moved towards Hannah, who took a step back.

With every step Brandon takes, Hannah takes a step backward, till her back hits the wall.

She swallowed hard as she stared at Brandon who was staring deep into her eyes like he was searching for something that had gone missing.

"Did you mean it when you say you have someone else?" Brandon asked, looking straight into her eyes. The looks he was giving her were driving cold shivers into her veins.

"No, alright! No!!" Hannah said and tried pushing him away when suddenly, her towel loosed and fell from her chest leaving her naked in front of Brandon.

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"No, Alright, No!" Hannah said and tried pushing Brandon away when her towel suddenly loosened and fell from her chest leaving her naked in front of Brandon.

Brandon felt his heartbeat increase and his manhood became so hard as a rock as he stared at the petite woman who was now naked in front of her.

She looked so beautiful, he thought as he was lost staring at her collar bone, down to her succulent breast, down to her flat tummy. He felt he was losing control at that moment. He quickly turned and looked away.

"I'm sorry, I.... I... I am sorry" he said, still looking away.

Hannah, who felt so shy and angry at the same time, quickly picked up the towel and wrapped it around her chest and then took her clothes.

She walked inside the bathroom and quickly put on her clothes, when she came out of the bathroom, Brandon Was already gone.

She sighed softly and sat on the bed, that bastard, she was sure going to kill Brandon when next she saw him, she thought as she felt so nervous, her heart was beating fast. Brandon had just seen her nakedness, oh no!! She muttered as she lay on the bed and buried her head on the pillow.

Meanwhile Brandon on the other hand is seen in the guest room, sitting on the bed, he just couldn't get his mind off what he had just seen.

He felt his temperature increase.

He walked inside the bathroom with his clothes on, he stood under the shower and let water pour on him. He closed his eyes as the water kept running from his head down. He felt his body become calm, and then he finally walked out of the bathroom and changed into a towel.

He sat on the bed and sighed softly. He wondered what was going on in Hannah's mind, she must be feeling so angry right now. He thought.

It was morning and a new day. Hannah had woken up so late.

she rushed out of bed and took her shower.

She walked inside the room searching for clothes to wear but she didn't find any. She could wear the clothes she wore yesterday. She had packed all her clothes out of this house. She then decided to wear one of Brandon's clothes. She wore his shirt which looked so big on her and then one of his shorts which looked big on her too.

She walked out of the room and walked to her children's room but they weren't there. Just then she saw Jessica climbing the stairs.

"Hey, have you seen my kids?" Hannah asked

"Yes, Mom took them shopping," Jessica said as she stared at the clothes Hannah was putting on.

"Oh" Hannah said as she breathed out in relief. It was weekend and she had forgotten.

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"I didn't have anything to put on, I had to wear his " Hannah said as she smiled

"They look good on you. You can borrow one of my clothes, Jeff will be coming over later in the day for the wedding preparation " Jessica said and Hannah nodded in response, before walking away. Hannah felt so hungry and decided to go get herself something to eat. She walked inside the kitchen and met Elizabeth taking some fruits from the fridge.

She walked past her and decided to dish out food for herself. Elizabeth stared at her and looked away but then turned to her when she realized she was putting on Brandon's clothes. "Oh, tell me you had sex without telling me you had sex," Elizabeth said and Hannah turned to her.

"You don't have to make the whole house know you had sex with my grandson, please there are children in this house," Elizabeth said and with that, she walked out of the kitchen. Hannah rolled her eyes. So, wearing male clothes initially means you slept with them, she thought as she scoffed.

She dished out her food and walked out of the kitchen, she sat at the dining table and ate gently.

After she was done eating, she walked back to her room upstairs. She opened the door and walked inside the room and to her surprise she saw Brandon.

"Hey," Brandon muttered and Hannah stared at him without saying a word. Brandon sighed looking for the right word to say to her. He knew she was still angry with him about last night.

"I'm sorry about last night, I promise I didn't see anything," Brandon said as he stared at Hannah, it was then he noticed she was putting on his clothes.

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She looked so petite in his clothes and he won't lie they looked so good on her. A smile escaped his lips.

"You liar!" Hannah yelled and wondered why he was smiling at her.

She moved towards Brandon and did the unexpected by kicking him so hard on his leg.

"Argh!" Brandon muttered like he was in deep pain and Hannah hit him so hard on his chest, this time harder than the one she hit him on his leg.

Brandon groaned in pain and Hannah stared at him angrily.

"Good for you! You are a pervert, you tried to take advantage of me last night" Hannah yelled feeling so angry and then she punched him again on his chest.

Brandon fell on the ground and held his chest, acting like he was in deep pain and was about to die of it.

Hannah stared at him and walked away from him. She was about to walk out of the room when she turned and still saw him still groaning in pain.

She didn't know if he was pretending or not, but it looked so real. Hannah sighed and walked towards him.

"Hey, stand up. Does it hurt that much? Are you okay? I'm sorry I hit you, please stand up" Hannah said as she tried helping him stand up from the ground but he had so much weight, she could barely lift him from the ground. She kept trying to help him stand up and all of a sudden, she fell on top of him.

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She kept trying to help him stand up and all of a sudden, she fell on top of him and their lips came in contact.

Brandon became silent as he stared at her beautiful face. It was like all the pain he felt had disappeared, it was then Hannah realized he'd been pretending all along like he was in a deep pain. Hannah quickly stood up and stared at Brandon, not knowing what to say.

"I know you are pretending to be in pain," Hannah said angrily, hands akimbo and Brandon sighed and stood up.

"Okay now you've caught me, I wasn't pretending though, my chest hurts," Brandon said as he stood up and then moved a bit toward Hannah.

He took her hands and placed them on the left side of his chest, where the heart is located. Hannah could feel his heart beating.

She stared at his face as she felt a strange feeling running through her veins.

Her eyes moved to his lips and then to his Adam's Apple, it was then she realized how handsome and breathtaking the man standing in front of him was.

"Hannah quickly removed her hand and slapped him on his chest.

"Stay away from me," Hannah said and she turned and was about when Brandon held her hands making her stop.

"I haven't gotten the opportunity to apologize properly for what I did. I'm sorry for accusing you of killing Rhoda, I should have believed you when you told me you didn't kill her.

I should have stopped the police from taking you away, I'm sorry, Hannah.

I have wronged you in so many ways than I can imagine, I just hope one day you forgive me and give me a chance" Brandon said and Hannah didn't say a word. "Please could you and the kids move in back? I promise to be a better father to the kids and a better husband to you" Brandon said and Hannah turned to him.

"I already brought the kids, and I have given you the chance to be a better father to them already but you see the both of us, I cannot give you that chance.

I will say this over and over again, the both of us cannot work out. This was all a contract marriage in the first place that was eventually gonna end in the future. And you do not expect me to forgive you for what you did in the past and let go easily.

Even if I say I forgive you, I would be lying and it will hunt me for the rest of my life, and knowing you are the man who forced himself on me years ago, it's just....." Hannah paused, trying not to bring up those memories. "I understand, But just so you know, I won't stop until I make it up to you. I won't stop until you give me a chance.

And thank you for bringing the kids yesterday" Brandon said and Hannah nodded and was about to leave when she turned and spoke.

"I won't, because of how I feel, separate my children from their father. The kids would be living here with you and Arianna" Hannah said "What about you?" Brandon asked

"I would stay if you agree to stay away from me," Hannah said and Brandon's facial expressions became a sad one.

He sighed softly and then nodded.

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"Fine, you can stay here, I promise I will stay away from you," Brandon said and Hannah smiled at him.

"My dress looks good on you, you should wear it more often," Brandon said and Hannah rolled her eyes.

"Jeff would be coming over for dinner later in the day. We have a wedding to plan" Brandon said and Hannah nodded in response.

He stared at her for a few seconds and was about to leave the room when he suddenly turned towards her.

"If I'm going to stay away from you while you live here then I'm gonna have to do this," he said and moved towards her and suddenly he placed his lips on hers and kissed her passionately, like his life depended on it. Hannah became numb instantly, she didn't fight him or push him away, instead she let him.

He pulled away from the kiss and stared at her,

"We have to pretend to be a real couple out there today, after that, I promise to stay away from you," Brandon said as he removed a strand of hair from her face.

He then kissed her on her forehead and then walked out of the room.

Hannah jolted out of her thoughts as she realized what had just happened, Brandon fucking kissed her, she thought as she sat on the bed.

She placed her hands on her lips, she didn't know why but she liked the kiss.

Meanwhile, Jessica is seen walking out of the house. She needed to meet up with her best friend Krystal. She had texted Krystal and asked her to meet up with her. Her plan was to confront her.

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She walked out of the house, hopped inside her car and drove off to the location they wanted to meet. It was the bar where Jessica had first met Jeff.

Her car came to a stop in front of the bar, she climbed out of the car and walked in. There she met Krystal speaking to a guy she recognized.

That was Dave, Jeff's friend. She knew Dave and Krystal had something going on between them.

"Hey," Jessica muttered as she walked towards them.

"Hey, thank God you are here, I was about to call you. I miss you so much" Krystal whined and kissed Jessica on her cheeks.

"I miss you too," Jessica said as she sat down. Just then she saw Jeff walk towards them and join them.

"Hey, I didn't know you would be coming" Jessica muttered as she stood up and hugged Jeff then kissed him on his cheeks.

"I just wanted to surprise you, Krystal said you wanted to meet up with her, so I said we should hang out" Jeff said and she Raised her eyebrows wondering this is how Krystal tells Jeff everything they've been talking about. She and Jeff both sat down.

"So, Jessica I heard you and Jeff are both getting married," Dave said and Jessica smiled.

"Yeah" Jessica muttered

"Congratulations, I'm so happy for you. Jeff is a good man and you both deserve each other" Dave said and Jessica scoffed inwardly.

"We sure do deserve each other because this time, you will learn not to mess with the Colbys," Jessica thought.

"So, Jessica, have you guys fixed a date for the wedding?"

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"So, Jessica, have you guys fixed a date for the wedding yet?" Krystal asked

"We haven't. But you know what, you are eager for this to happen, so I'm I. So, why are we waiting? Why not start planning now, the venue is available already" Jeff said and Jessica stared at him and laughed, nervously. "Well, I can hardly plan a wedding in three weeks," Jessica said in response.

"But your brother and Hannah did theirs in a few days," Jeff said and Jessica raised her eyebrows

"And how did you know about them doing their marriage in a few days?" Jessica asked

"This is Atlanta, news flies around," Jeff said and Jessica turned to Krystal. She remembered telling her how Brandon had gotten a wife in a few days and boom they were married. She didn't tell her that it was a contract marriage. "It's impossible to plan an event of this season in just three weeks," Jessica said and Jeff laughed.

"You are a Colby. If you throw enough money, you can make anything happen, besides, three weeks is plenty of time, unless you have a reason to want to delay," Jeff said and Jessica sighed.

"What is it, Jessica? Are you scared of marriage? Common Jessica, marriage is a good thing, rip off that band-aid so you won't ruin the best thing that has ever happened to you, aside from me of course the" Krystal said and Jessica smiled. "Okay then, you will be coming to see my family today, so we can tell them we fixed a date already," Jessica said and Jeff smiled at her.

Just then Jeff heard his phone ring, he stared at the phone screen and then turned to Jessica. It's a call at the office.

"It's a call from the office, I have to go now, I will see you later," Jeff said as he stood up and kissed Jessica on her cheeks before walking away.

Dave then stood up and walked away too, he owns the bar and his attention was needed.

Krystal heard her phone ring, it was a call from her mom,

"I have to go now, my mom is calling me, I promised to help her get something," Krystal said and stood up before walking away.

Jessica sighed softly and took a sip from the drink that was on her table. She kept staring into nothing, lots of thoughts going through her mind.

As much as she hates to marry Jeff, she has to do it. Jeff has done enough already and needs to be stopped.

She carried her bag and stood up, just as she was about to walk out of the bar, she mistakenly collided with a strange man and her bag fell on the ground.

"Oh my goodness, I'm so sorry, I wasn't watching where I was going to, I'm so sorry," the strange guy said as he bent and helped Jessica pick up her bag and some few things that had fallen from the bag. "It's okay, I was the one who wasn't watching," she said as she closed her bag and stared at the strange man.

"My name is Matthew, it's nice meeting you or rather colliding with you," the strange guy said smiling as he brought out his hand for a handshake.

***** At the Colby's Mansion*****

Arianna and the kids had just gotten back from the shopping they went to. They didn't only go shopping, they went to the park and had a lot of fun.

They looked so happy and were discussing the fun they had at the park while they went to their room. They missed having fun with their grandma and they were glad they were now with their grandma. Arianna raised her head and saw Elizabeth sitting at the dining table, drinking coffee. She rolled her eyes as she stared at Arianna.

Arianna scoffed and looked away from her, climbing up the stairs to her room.

Just then a soft knock was planted on the front door and Alexander who was seen climbing down the stairs rushed to open the door.

It was a delivery man, he had delivered some clothes Brandon had ordered for Hannah.

"Whose clothes are those?" Elizabeth asked surprised

"It belongs to Mrs Colby. Mr. Brandon had ordered them for her" Alex said and Elizabeth raised her eyebrows wondering why Brandon had ordered new clothes for her.

Alex quickly rushed and climbed upstairs to Hannah's room. He planted a soft knock on the door and Hannah opened the door.

"Hello ma'am, Mr. Brandon asked me to give you the clothes," Alex said and Hannah took the clothes from him and muttered a thank you.

Alex then went back to the kitchen where he was supervising the cooks.

"Make sure the chicken is well cooked," Alex said as he walked out of the kitchen with a maid and asked her to clean the dining table and set the dishes.

Elizabeth wondered what was going on. The only time the maids act this way and Alex supervises this way, it only means someone is visiting or an urgent occasion is coming up. "Alex" Elizabeth called.

"Yes ma'am" he responded.

"Is Brandon expecting someone or holding a welcome party for Hannah?" Elizabeth asked curiously, wondering what was happening.

"No ma'am, it's Miss Jessica who is getting married. Her fiancée would be coming over today" Alex said and Elizabeth stared at him shocked.

"What? She's getting married and no one cared to inform me? Last time I checked I was part of this family" Elizabeth said looking as furious as ever.

Just a heads up: is the only place to read the complete version of this book for free. Don't miss out on the next chapter-visit us now and continue your journey! Just then the front door opened and Jessica walked in with an event planner, and some other few people, who held flowers and some decoration things in their hands. "You can drop your things there, I'll get back to you," Jessica said as she saw Grandma Elizabeth walking towards her.

"You are getting married and no one bothered to tell me" Elizabeth muttered and Jessica sighed.

"Everything happened so fast, you barely stay at home so I didn't have the chance to tell you about it.

Now you know about it, go get dressed, my fiancée is on his way. We would be having dinner" Jessica said and just then she saw Brandon walking towards her. "What's all this? Who are these people? Report to my study room now!!" Brandon muttered as he went to his study room with Jessica trailing behind her. He locked the door of his study room and turned to Jessica.

"What's all those things downstairs? We haven't fixed a date yet, why are they bringing in decoration things?" Brandon asked, looking confused. "Jeff wants the wedding to happen soon, I don't want to delay it, it's gonna make him feel suspicious" Jessica responded as she sat on the chair. Just then Alex walked inside the study room.

"Sir, the gate called, Jeff has arrived," Alex said and Jessica stood up at once.

"Tell Hannah to come downstairs, Jeff has arrived, and also tell my mom too," Brandon said and Alex nodded before walking out of the room.

"We will be so lucky today if we can get through the hour without you and Jeff blowing each other's heads off," Jessica said as she took the cup of alcohol from the table and poured it in her mouth before walking out of the study room. TBC

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"We will be so lucky today if we can get through the hour without you and Jeff blowing each other's heads off," Jessica said as she took the cup of alcohol from the table and poured it in her mouth before walking out of the study room. Alex is seen opening the door for Jeff. He walked inside the house while staring at the interior design of the house. it looked so beautiful and the house looked so big, he thought.

Just then he saw Jessica, Brandon, and Arianna walking towards him.

Jessica moved towards him and hugged him then kissed him on his cheeks.

"Hey, I'm glad you came, this is my mom.

Mom this is my fiancée "Jessica said and Arianna smiled.

"Hello, Mr Jeff. Welcome to the family" Arianna said and Jeff smiled and then turned to Brandon who stared at him with no expression on his face.

"We've already met, Brandon Colby," Jeff said as he brought forth his hands for a handshake but then Brandon pulled him into a hug and whispered in his ear

"I do not like you, but my sister seems to be so stubborn because of how much she loves you.

For the sake of my sister, I'm going to bury the hatchet. I won't let my sister suffer because of what happens between us. Although, do not think I forgive you for kidnapping my kids" Brandon said and pulled away from the hug. Jeff smiled at him.

"Welcome to the family, dinner has been served. Let's go eat before it gets cold" Arianna said and led the way to the dining, leaving Jessica and Brandon alone.

"Where's Hannah?" Jessica asked

"She would be down in a minute, she needs some minutes alone," Brandon said. Jessica nodded and they both went to the dining room and sat on the chair while the maid dished out the food.

Elizabeth came and joined them at the dining table. Arianna knew things were about to get dirty since Elizabeth was there.

Just then Hannah is seen climbing down the stairs and putting on the red dress Brandon had gotten for her. She was looking as beautiful as ever. She was the most beautiful woman in the whole building at that moment. "Oh, Hannah is here," Elizabeth said and they all turned towards her direction as they stared at her beautiful dress, admiring her beauty.

Hannah walked towards them and sat close to Brandon.

"You look pretty," Brandon said with a smile on his face.

"Thank you" Hannah muttered and smiled at him in return. Brandon had already told her they needed to act like a real couple.

Jeff on the other hand kept staring at Hannah, she was looking so beautiful more than ever and so different from when she was with him.

It was then Jeff realized he had just lost this beautiful woman to Brandon.

Elizabeth, who noticed Jeff staring at Hannah, smiled inwardly. Now this is about to get tough, she thought.

"So, Jeff, your mom didn't come with you," Arianna said, drifting Jeff's attention away from Hannah.

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"She's not in town, she left to do something important, don't worry, she will attend the wedding," Jeff said and Arianna smiled and continued eating.

"I can see how much Jessica loves you, I wonder what you did to her that made her love you this way," Brandon said and Jeff smiled and held Jessica's hands. "Jessica turned me into a better person and I love her too," Jeff said and Jessica rolled her eyes.

"So Jeff, I heard you've been married twice," Elizabeth said and Jeff smiled at her.

"Grandma!" Jessica muttered as she shut her with a deadly glare.

"No, it's fine!" Jeff said, smiling broadly, looking like a gentleman.

"Yes, I have," Jeff said in response.

"So, what happened to your last two marriages?" Elizabeth asked smiling

"Uhm, my first wife and I got divorced. My second wife, she left and a few weeks ago I found out she had died" Jeff said as he stared at Hannah and then looked away.

"Oh, I'm so sorry about her death, may her soul rest in peace.

I heard the rumor that your first wife was a barren woman but then all of a sudden she gave birth. Is that true? What if she was cheating on you while you both were still together?" Elizabeth asked and Jeff stared at Hannah who maintained a straight face while eating her food.

"Uhm, Jeff you should go get your lawyers while I get mine, it's time to make it official," Jessica said and smiled.

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"Sure, yes course," Jeff said and stood up.

"I will be back with my lawyers. Thanks for this sumptuous meal" Jeff said and they all smiled at him, except Hannah of course who maintained a straight face.

It was so obvious Hannah didn't like Jeff and the sight of him irritated her so much.

"I'll see you to the door," Jessica said, stood up, and walked out of the dining room with Jeff. A few minutes after she came back looking furious.

"What were those questions you were asking Jeff? Were they necessary?" Jessica said and Elizabeth rolled her eyes.

"I'm sorry alright, it's just a harmless question. I'm still wondering why you chose to marry Jeff.

There are lots of men out there and then the only man you saw was Jeff Mikealson, the guy who kidnapped Brandon's children and tried to kill Hannah....." Elizabeth said like she was a better person. "Please do not forget to add the part you played in the plan of killing me," Hannah said as she continued eating.

"Whatever!! So you all gonna sit and watch her marry Jeff?" Elizabeth asked, looking confused. No one was reacting the way she expected them to react, instead, they were all in support of her. She knows Jeff wasn't just getting married to Jessica for love, he had something under his sleeve.

"Since when do you care about who Jessica married or anything about this family?" Arianna asked and Elizabeth stared at them angrily.

"Enough!!! I'm going to marry Jeff, and that is final, if you are not okay with it Grandma, please leave the house and after the marriage, you can come back"

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"Enough!!! I'm going to marry Jeff, and that is final. If you are not okay with it Grandma, please leave the house and after the marriage, you can come back" Jessica said and walked away angrily. "Okay I'm out of here," Arianna said as she stood up and went to Jessica's room. She planted a soft knock on the door and Jessica opened the door.

"Hey," she muttered as she walked inside the room, closing the door behind her.

"That was such good acting. She bought it, she thinks you are in love with Jeff" Arianna said Jessica laughed and just then she caught a glimpse of the wedding dress on the bed.

"Is that my wedding dress I wore the day I got married to your father?" Arianna asked as she picked up the dress, staring at it with a smile on her face. Memories of the wedding came to her head. "Yes, I kept it," Jessica said and Arianna turned to her and hugged her.

"This is supposed to be the happiest moment of my life where I marry the man of my dreams" Jessica muttered. Arianna became speechless.

This is a time every girl dreams of and it should be with the man they love. Jessica was hurting so badly.

"Do you want me to call off the wedding?" Arianna asked

"No, you saw how he acted cool today pretending he loves me when he knows he's using me.

No, I'm not going to end this wedding. It's going to happen" Jessica said and just then she heard her phone vibrate.

"And now, my so-called fiancé is back with his lawyers," Jessica said and stood up before walking out of the room and going downstairs to meet Jeff.

"You are back with your lawyers," Jessica said and Jeff nodded in response as he smiled and kissed Jessica.

"Time to make this thing official, you ready?" he said smiling and Jessica laughed.

"I have been waiting and fantasizing about this moment my entire life," Jessica said and Jeff stared into her eyes. She was looking so happy.

"First, I have got a surprise for you," Jeff said as he brought out some files from his bag and gave them to Jessica.

"I got you a land where you can set up the publishing company you have always dreamt of. Alongside with 35% shares of the Mikealson's company," Jeff said and Jessica stared at him surprised. "Why the sudden burst of charity?" Jessica asked as she stared at the files.

"Consider it my first task as your spouse, making you happy. But I do have an ulterior rationale.

I want you to give me 35% of Colby co in return" Jeff said as he took the files from Jessica and put them back in his bag.

"And why is that?" Jessica asked

"That this ridiculous family battle is over," Jeff said

"But I will have to wait until after the wedding to get the company and the shares," Jessica said in response.

"Sure," Jeff said in response and Jessica smiled.

"Then let's wait, I think we have ourselves a deal," Jessica said

"And a sweet marriage," Jeff said in response and they both laughed.

Meanwhile, Hannah is seen standing upstairs staring at both Jeff and Jessica while they speak.

Just then Arianna walked and stood beside her.

"He's so good at pretending," Arianna said as she started at Jeff

"That's one of his specialties, " Hannah said in response as she stared at Jeff with pure hatred in her eyes.

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All the memories of the past ran through her mind, she remembered how she caught him and Rhoda in bed and he didn't feel guilty about it.

He made her lose her job and everything, he practically ruined her life, she thought as she tighter her fist.

Arianna placed her hands on hers and she became calmed instantly.

"He's going to pay for everything he did. This is the best time to get your revenge on him" Arianna said and Hannah nodded in response. *****Wedding Day *****

A lot of people could be seen in the Colby's mansion, eating and drinking, while also familiarizing with each other.

Krystal had just arrived with Dave.

"Maid of honor duties calling, I have to go find the bride," Krystal said and kissed Dave on his cheeks before walking away.

Jeff has arrived with his mom. David didn't come with them, they left him with a family friend of theirs.

"Brandon" Jeff called as he saw Brandon talking to some men.

"Hey, you are here," Brandon said and Jeff nodded.

Jeff took two glasses of drinks and gave one to Brandon.

"Cheers to a new beginning," he said and they both cheered and drank.

"The wedding is about to start," Brandon said as everyone started moving to the reception.

Meanwhile, Jessica is seen in her room putting on a wedding dress while the makeup artist beautifies her face.

Krystal was with her encouraging her and telling her how beautiful she was looking.

When they were done, they left, Jessica all alone in the room. Jessica sighed softly as she stared at her reflection in the mirror.

Just then she saw Hannah standing by the door, staring at her.

"Are you gonna keep staring at me or walk in?" Jessica said and Hannah smiled and walked in.

"You look beautiful," Hannah said as she stood behind Jessica.

"How are you feeling?" she asked and Jessica sighed softly.

"This is supposed to be the happiest day of my life.

This is a day every little girl dreams of, but now it is a nightmare" Jessica said

"If you want me to go out there and call off the wedding, I will do so. You don't have to do this. Just tell me anything you want me to do" Hannah said and Jessica paused and then stared at Hannah. "No, you don't need to end the wedding, I need your help on something else," Jessica said and Hannah nodded in response.

She then brought out a paper for Hannah to sign which she signed. Just then Arianna walked inside the room.

"It's time for the bride to walk in," Arianna said as she walked inside the room.

Jessica, who was looking so nervous, stood up and took a deep breath, before walking out of the room.

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A lot of people could be seen sitting at the reception. Brandon is seen sitting at the front row while on the other side, Grandma Elizabeth could be seen sitting in the front row with Rosa sitting close to her. Krystal walked past everyone while holding a flower, with a smile on her face, and then sat in town.

Next, it was time for the Bride to walk in and everyone stood up.

Jessica stood and Arianna stood beside her.

"It's now or never," Jessica said as she took a deep breath and then Arianna walked her down the aisle.

Jeff stood beside the officiant and smiled as he saw Jessica walk towards him, he felt all his dreams were about to come true. He felt more than happy.

This was going to be the happiest day of his life, he was finally gonna get his revenge on Colby and ruin their lives.

Arianna went back to her seat and sat down while she watched Jeff and Jessica stand facing each other with a smile on their face and the officiant standing in front of them.

"Dearly Beloved, we have gathered here this day to celebrate the union of Jessica Colby and Jeff Mikealson.

Marriage is an honorable estate, Not to be entered into lightly, but reverently and respectfully.

If anyone here can show just cause why this couple should not be lawfully joined together, then speak now or forever hold their peace" The officiant said and everyone kept staring at each other. After a long silence, no one spoke.

"Okay, I guess I will have to continue," the officiant said and they both took their vows.

"I pronounce you both husband and wife," the officiant said and everyone stood up cheering joyfully as they clapped their hands.

Jeff held Jessica's hands and they both walked out of the reception and went to Brandon's study room.

With Arianna, Brandon, Rosa, Hannah, and Elizabeth trailing behind them.

Immediately, they entered the study room, and Jessica met her lawyer standing by the corner of the study room.

And two papers on the table waiting for both partners to sign.

They both took the pen at once and signed on the paper.

"Now we are family and now husband and wife," Jeff said and Jessica rolled her eyes at him.

"We are only a couple if we are legally married," Jessica said and Jeff chuckled

"What are you talking about? This pretty feels legal to me" Jeff said in response.

"Well, unfortunately, bigamy is illegal in Georgia.

You can't marry someone if they are married to someone else" Jessica said and everyone stared at her surprise.

"What are you talking about?" Jeff asked as he felt his heartbeat increase at once and just then a strange handsome dude walked inside the study room.

"This is Matthew, my husband" Jessica said and Matthew smiled and stood beside Jessica.

Matthew was the strange guy Jessica had met in a club the day she went to see Jeff and Krystal.

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Jessica smiled as she stared at Matthew having a flashback of how they both met at the bar.

How They both collided with each other the first day they met each other and how nice Matthew was to him.

They both had a few conversations and Jessica decided to pay him to be his contract husband. They both went to court that day and got married.

"My marriage to Matthew is completely legal, which means ours isn't.

Read the fine print, as I said, unless we are married, My 35% shares to you is null.

But you didn't include anything like that in your contract. Which means the land and 35% of the Mickelson are still mine" Jessica said Jeff stared at her with shock in his eyes.

"I'm sorry what just happened? I thought this was a real marriage. Why wasn't I informed about all of this?" Grandma Elizabeth said as she stared at all of them confused. "I'm out of here," Rosa said and walked away angrily.

"It's over, you lose.

You lied to me from the very beginning and used me to get to my family" Jessica yelled feeling hurt.

"Your family destroyed my family. They killed Rhoda, the mother of my son and sent me to jail" Jeff yelled as tears gathered in his eyes.

"They sent you to prison because you kidnapped the octuplets and tried to kill Hannah.

You started this whole feud, and even if that was true, what did I ever do to you?

You know what?

Don't answer that, we can discuss it at the next Mikealson beard meeting" Jessica said looking furious.

"This is not the end" Jeff yelled as he started at all of them.

"As Jessica said, it's over, you lose again, this time.

And Jeff, you should know the divorce paper you sent years ago, I finally signed it.

I would be coming for 50% of Mikealson's company and the house you and your family leave now belongs to me because that is what was stated in the beginning when we got married in the past. See you in the next Mikaelson's board meeting," Hannah said as she stood beside Jessica.

"And what made you think after everything you've done, my sister would just wake up and get married to you and you expect me to sit and watch it happen?

I thought you were wise Jeff" Brandon said and stood beside Hannah while they all had a victorious smile on their faces.

"Everything you own now belongs to the Colby, we would love to sell them to you but I don't think you have enough money to buy them from us.

Now you would know better than messing with my family.

We would do anything in our power to protect this family and nothing, not even your stupid revenge can come between us" Arianna said as he stood beside Brandon.

Jeff had become so speechless, that he stared at them with shame in his eyes and then walked out of the study room.

Elizabeth on the other hand stared at all of them as they stood beside each other.

They planned this whole thing all this while and made it look like it was real, she thought as she stared at them.

Hannah smiled as she hugged Jessica. They had planned this all along and their plan worked but one thing they didn't add to the plan was Jessica bringing someone else into the picture as her husband.

She loved this family so much and would do anything in her power to protect this family because at the end of the day, family is all you've got and family is everything.

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A Black car screeched to a halt in front of the Mikealsons's mansion. Jeff alighted the car and walked inside his mansion looking so furious. Immediately he walked inside, he saw David and Rosa sitting together and watching TV.

He walked past them and went to his room where he locked the door.

"Argh!!!" he groaned as he sat on the bed ruffling his hair. He took a deep breath trying to calm himself down but he just couldn't. He felt so much rage inside of him.

The company and everything he suffered to build was all gone in just one day.

He needed to do something about it, he could not lose everything he worked so hard for. He cannot lose it.

No, it cannot happen. He thought as he stood up and picked up the bottle of alcohol that was on the table in his room.

He drank from it and then hit the bottle on the wall making it shatter into pieces.

"I will make you all pay for this Colby!" he yelled, tears streaming down his cheeks.

"You will all pay for this!!" he said looking so angry and then he sat on the ground and started crying.

Jessica is seen sitting at the dining table, eating the wedding cake when Matthew comes and sits beside her.

"Hey, I thought you'd left," Jessica said as he took a spoonful of cake and put it in her mouth.

"Uhm, no, I decided to spend some time before I leave," Matthew said smiling.

Jessica finds his smile very contagious, she smiles at him in return.

"You can stay with me before we sign for divorce and I can pay you your complete money so you can leave," Jessica said and Matthew nodded, staring at Jessica.

"I didn't mean you'll stay in my room if that's what you are thinking. There are lots of rooms in this house and you can pick one and make yourself comfortable" Jessica said and Matthew nodded. Jessica stood up and was about to leave when Matthew spoke and she turned to him.

"You look beautiful," he said and Jessica felt her cheeks turn red. She looked away from him and smiled before walking away.

Grandma Elizabeth on the other hand stood by the stairs as she watched both Jessica and her new husband, called Matthew.

She felt Matthew was too good to be true, there was something about him that she just couldn't put together, she was gonna find out, she thought.

"Whatever you are thinking about, I would advise you to stop thinking about it," Arianna said as she moved towards Elizabeth and stood beside her.

Elizabeth rolled her eyes and was about to speak when she heard her phone vibrate.

She brought out the phone and saw it was a text message from a strange number.

She smiled as she stared at the message.

She walked away from Arianna and went to her room to change her dress. After she was done, she quickly rushed out of the house, hopped inside her car, and drove off.

*****Hours Later *****

Hannah, Arianna, and the octuplets could be seen playing downstairs and Brandon could be seen speaking with Alexander the butler.

While the decorators could be seen packing the things they used in decorating the house for the wedding.

when suddenly the front door burst open revealing Elizabeth and an Advanced man.

Everyone turned to both Elizabeth and the advanced man at once.

"Home sweet home" the man muttered as he stared around the house, admiring the interior design of the house.

"Robert" Arianna muttered softly in shock.

Hannah turned to her kids and asked them to go wait for her in their room.

The kids nodded in response and went to their room.

"Uncle Robert" Brandon called out in shock, surprised to see him.

"Brandon" Robert muttered with a smile on his face as he moved towards him and hugged him so tight.

"I thought you were in prison?" Brandon asked and Robert smiled.

"Well, I'm out on parole. I'm back" Robert said, smiling.

"I can see you've done a lot of changes to this place, it looks so different" Robert said smiling.

Robert is the elder brother to Brandon's father, Wilson Colby.

Robert had been in prison for more than 15 years now. Wilson, Brandon's father framed him for doing drugs and made him go to prison years ago, now he is out of prison and is back to take back all Wilson had stolen from him. "Camilla Colby Montez. Who thought you would have survived?" Robert said as he turned to Arianna, observing her new looks. She was looking more beautiful than ever.

She looked so different from the woman he knew years ago.

Robert has always liked Arianna but in return Arianna never liked her.

"Well, surprise, I did survive. Welcome back from prison, I wish you go back to prison and rot in hell" Arianna said as she stared at Robert angrily. Memories of what had happened years ago came rushing inside her head.

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"They did say you changed a lot, I didn't believe it up until now," Robert said and was about to move towards Arianna when Brandon stood in front, stopping him.

He smiled and raised his hands as a sign of surrender.

"Brandon, I mean no harm, I promise. I just don't have anywhere else to go, I promise I will find myself a new place to live once I settle down" Robert said and Brandon stared at him and then he finally spoke.

"You can stay here for some time but do not cross your boundaries or go close to my mom if you do not want to get on my bad side," Brandon said and Robert raised his hands in surrender.

He stared at Hannah wondering who she was.

She must be Brandon's wife Elizabeth told me about, he thought and then finally walked towards Elizabeth and took the bag she was holding, from her before climbing up the stairs to find himself a room in the house. Brandon turned to Elizabeth.

"You don't bring in just anyone to my house without informing me about it. This is my home and not yours" Brandon yelled and Elizabeth flinched.

"I'm sorry Brandon, he didn't have anywhere else to go, he's been in prison and just came out, and he's my son too and I can't leave him on the street," Elizabeth said and Arianna rolled her eyes.

"I'm only letting him stay here because he's family," Brandon said and with that, he walked away.

"Playing the pity card again. I hope you keep the dog you call son on a leash this time if you do not want him to go to prison for the second time" Arianna said and Elizabeth gritted her teeth angrily and walked away. "Seems like you hate Uncle Robert," Hannah asked as she sat down.

"He's a son of a bitch, he tried to force himself on me in the past," Arianna said and Hannah muttered "Oh,"

This was what Elizabeth was planning all this time, bitch!

That bitch, she knows what she's doing. She knows how much Robert despises this family and how much he wishes to have his revenge on this family and still yet she went and brought him out from prison. With Robert back in this family, hell was about to let loose and a lot of secrets were about to come into the surface.

Elizabeth had just drawn the battle line. She and Robert have just declared war.

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Meanwhile, Robert is seen in one of the guest rooms staring around when the door opens revealing Elizabeth.

"You were right, a lot has changed," Robert said as Elizabeth closed the door behind her.

"Yeah I know, but would you please stay on the low for now, I didn't work my ass out to bring you out of prison so Brandon could send you back, I do not want our plans to be ruined" Elizabeth said and Robert smiled. "Mom, I'm not going back to prison alright? You don't have to worry about anything. Everything will go as planned. Have you heard anything from my brother Wilson?" Robert asked

"No, he's not answering his calls nor his Text messages," Elizabeth said in response.

"Good. I'm back and now I'm going to take everything he took from me. His son is going to pay for what his father did.

A son is supposed to pay for his father's sin. So Brandon and his family will suffer for it" Uncle Robert said and Elizabeth smiled but then the smile slowly disappeared from her face.

She saw how they stood by each other against Jeff and it was just she and Robert, they had no chance against them.

But then a thought came in Elizabeth's mind. She quickly stood up.

"Where are you heading to?" Robert asked

"There's something I need to take care of," she said and walked out of the room.

Grandma Elizabeth is seen standing in front of the Mikaelson's porch.

She planted a soft knock on the door, the door opened revealing Rosa.

Immediately she saw Elizabeth and she frowned.

"Hasn't your family done enough damage to my family? What else do you want?" Rosa said looking furious.

"I know you must be angry at me, but I promise I am here for Jeff's good. I know a way I can help him get back everything he's lost" Elizabeth said and Rosa stared at her for a few seconds before opening the door for Elizabeth to come in. "Where is Jeff?" she asked

"He's in his room, come with me," Rosa said and Elizabeth nodded and they both went to Jeff's room.

Immediately they got inside, Elizabeth covered her nose as the whole room stinks of alcohol and they were broken glasses on the ground.

"Jeff" Elizabeth called as he saw Jeff looking miserable sitting on the ground.

Jeff raised his head and saw Elizabeth.

"What more do you want from me? Do you want to ruin my life more than it already is?" Jeff asked as he tried standing up from the ground but he staggered back and fell back on the ground.

"Jeff I have a deal for you, I am willing to help you get back everything they took from you," Elizabeth said and Jeff laughed

"I am not interested in anything, I am not interested, now get out" he yelled and threw the bottle of drink at them and it hit the wall.

Elizabeth and Rosa quickly rushed out of the room.

"He's your son, you should console him and help him back on his feet. All isn't lost yet. When he's ready and willing to talk, I will tell him the truth, as to how he can get everything back" Elizabeth said as she stared at Rosa. "What truth?" Rosa asked

"That would be a topic for another day," she said and smiled and with that, she walked away.

It was morning and Hannah had woken up so early, she prepared breakfast and rushed to go help the kids get dressed for school but they were already dressed up.

Arianna had helped them get ready for school early.

"Good morning Mommy" the kids echoed at once.

"Good morning sweethearts," Hannah said to the kids and then turned to Arianna.

"Good morning Mom," she said as she kissed her on her cheeks.

"Breakfast is set, come let's go eat, you don't want to be late for school," Hannah said and the kids rushed out of the room and rushed to the dining room. They sat on their chairs and started eating and just then Arianna and Hannah joined them.

Just then they saw Brandon climbing Down the stairs. Hannah looked away from him and pretended like she didn't see him.

"Brandon moved towards the children who greeted him and then he kissed them on their cheeks one after the other.

"Hi Mom," Brandon said and Arianna smiled at him.

"Daddy, our school will be holding a party this weekend, they asked us to come with our parents, would you be available?" Jayden asked.

"Jayden, I told you daddy will be busy with work, so he won't be able to attend, I and Grandma will both attend," Hannah said and the kids sighed sadly.

"I can clear all my schedule for that day, don't worry sweetheart, I will be available that day," Brandon said and the children yelled happily.

"You don't have to do that Brandon, mom here is gonna be there, right Mom?" Hannah asked

"I'm sorry Hannah, I won't be available that day, I need to meet up with a friend from the White House," Arianna said Hannah stared at Arianna and bit her lips. She knows what she was trying to do.

"I would do anything for my children so I will be there for them," Brandon said and Hannah rolled her eyes.

"Daddy, you and Mommy are supposed to wear the same clothes while coming," Audrey said and both Hannah and Brandon stared at each other.

"But....."

"Of course, we would put on the same clothes," Brandon said, cutting off Hannah's speech.

"Okay now, let's go," Arianna said as she stood up.

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"It's fine, I will drop them off, you and Brandon can go to the office together since you both work for the same company," Arianna said and Brandon nodded in agreement. After Arianna and the kids left the house, Hannah gave Brandon a bombastic side-eye.

"We are not going in the same car, I'm gonna use mine, while you go in yours," Hannah said as she stood up.

"You'll have no choice but to go with me, don't say I didn't tell you" Brandon said and Hannah stared at him without saying a word.

She went upstairs, changed her dress and put on light makeup, she took her bag and walked out of the house.

A few minutes later, she came back inside the house looking so furious.

"Why the hell is my tyre flat?" She yelled and Brandon shrugged.

"I don't know. I'm about to leave, you can come with me, besides we are going in the same direction" Brandon said as he stood up. "I....." Hannah's speech was cut off when she saw Jessica and her new husband climbing down the stairs laughing and giggling. They looked so happy together.

"Hello, Brother-in-law" Matthew muttered as he saw Brandon and moved towards him.

He brought his hands for a handshake which Brandon accepted with a smile on his face.

He didn't know why, there was something about Matthew, he looked so familiar like he'd seen him somewhere but he just didn't know where he had seen him. TBC