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[Song Recommendation: D4vd - Here With Me.]

Kate couldn't help chuckling, "Cheesy as always."

Henry's lips perked up when he saw her smile, 'As expected, Kate is much more beautiful when she is relaxed and happy. What should I do to keep her in a good mood all the time?' He wondered.

Kate returned her gaze to the sunset and muttered, "The sunset is nice," Kate said. "But isn't this quite far from Los Angeles?"

Henry laughed lightly, "Well, we drove for about four hours. We're actually closer to San Francisco than to Los Angeles." 1

"That long?" Kate was surprised. She thought they had been driving for an hour at best. But maybe because she was so deep into her sorrows that she didn't realize how long she had been sulking.

It was very unlikely for her to be this dramatic. She was usually in control over everything in her

life before, even when Matt and Erin broke her heart.

'Could it be because of my pregnancy? Maybe there's some hormone that changes as I get pregnant,' Kate assumed.

"I'm sorry that you have to see me like that. It's very unlikely of me to cry," Kate said abruptly. "It must've been a pain for a young man like you to handle a moody woman."

Henry's smile dissipated. His lips thinned as he had a lot of questions in mind, but in the end, he simply asked, "Did I upset you?"

"Huh? No, not at all," Kate replied, then she weighed her words for a second and revoked them a little. "Well, I'm not mad at you, but I'm mad at the circumstances around us. I'm mad that I can't do anything against Erin..."

Kate sighed. Her heart began to ache again as she recalled what Erin did to their mother and how powerless she was against her.

After all, her mother always believed Erin more than her. Erin was the darling of the family, so every word that came out of Erin's lips would

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affect their mother in every way possible.

One good news from Erin would bring countless joys to their mother.

And one bad news would send her into constant worry and even weaken her already precarious health.

Meanwhile, Kate was always expected to be the elder, more mature sister. She had to support everyone in the family since she was the oldest, and she was naturally a responsible woman who wouldn't let her family starve. 2

Kate also wasn't as close to her mother, simply because she could feel her mother's disappointment whenever they met because Kate couldn't bear a child for her husband. It was like a shame that Hilda had to endure.

"I was frustrated with my situation, and your presence only made it worse. That's why I got upset," Kate said, clearing her throat feeling a little embarrassed, "Sorry for making you worry, but thank you for trying to calm me down."

"My presence only made it worse?" Henry asked. He got even more confused about the situation.

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He didn't know what the problem was between Kate and Erin, and Kate didn't seem to be open to discussing it, so it only frustrated him even more. 1

Kate went silent after that. She was considering whether she should tell Henry about what was bothering her. She ought to keep this problem with Erin to herself since it was nobody's business.

But maybe

Just maybe ...

She wanted someone who would listen to her, even if he wouldn't help, at least that someone could hug her tight and tell her everything would be alright.

Kate looked up at Henry, and their eyes met as Henry hadn't taken his eyes off her since the beginning.

Kate saw the usually deep and mysterious eyes brooding while waiting for her to speak. He seemed to be very concerned about her.

'Just like that night,' Kate thought. 'You're staring

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at me with a brooding look in your eyes, as if my problem is yours as well. As if the whole world didn't matter as long as we are together.'

'Just like that night, you will be the closest person in my life, Henry Grant,' Kate thought before she mustered her courage to open her mouth. 1

"Yes, you just made it worse," Kate said. "I never told you this, but Matt cheated on me with none other than my own sister, Erin. She is a sucker for a handsome face, and you, Mr. Henry Grant, just made the biggest mistake ever by showing your face to her. She will go crazy and start pestering me about you. She will start doing crazy things just to get your attention, and... and...."

Kate got upset again as she imagined all the problems Erin would cause after this. She remembered how Erin literally drooled because she saw Henry. It was a red flag that shouldn't have happened if Henry didn't do stupid things, such as flaunting his charm everywhere like a peacock. 3

"Then I will make sure to distance myself from

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her. Isn't that enough?" Henry said carelessly. This wasn't the first time a woman became crazily obsessed with him, and it certainly wouldn't be the last.

Usually, he'd ignore that woman completely or break her heart as cruelly as possible, so she'd give up and move on with a grudge in her heart. So Henry thought this whole Erin problem wouldn't be such a pain.

"You don't understand, Henry...." Kate sighed. "My sister is crazy. Do you know what she did to get a new credit card from me? She called our mother who has a heart problem, and told our mother that I beat her and kicked her out of the apartment."

"She gave our mother a small heart attack that forced her to get treated in the hospital," Kate said. "She did the same thing again yesterday, calling our mother in front of me, and then threatened to say something absolutely shocking to give our mother another heart attack that could kill her. She did all that just because I blocked her credit card." 1

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