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Two figures appeared suddenly, darting over in a flash.

Ashley instinctively became alert, but when she looked up, she saw it was Jeremy and Matthew.

Bertha was stunned for a few seconds. "Jeremy? Matthew?"

Once she recognized her sons, Bertha immediately started questioning them, "You two haven't come home recently. Where have

you been? Your dad and I have been worried about you so much. Do you know that?"

Jeremy didn't respond to Bertha's questions. His first concern was Ashley, and he asked anxiously, "Ashley, did Mom bully you

just now?"

Matthew was equally anxious. "Ashley, if Mom bullied you, tell me, and I'll help you!"

Matthew and Jeremy had been coming to the front of Royal Entertainment every day, hoping for a chance to see Ashley.

When they arrived and saw Bertha talking with Ashley, they rushed over without a second thought, worried that Bertha might be

bullying Ashley.

Seeing Jeremy and Matthew appear before her, Ashley frowned slightly.

Jeremy immediately understood that Ashley was annoyed by their noise and bothered by their presence.

Matthew knew it too, feeling like his heart was pierced by thousands of needles at Ashley's disgust and disdain, filling him with

intense sourness. and regret.

Bertha, completely ignored by her two sons, shouted with suppressed anger, "You two rascals, speak up! You haven't even come

home these past few days. Where have you been?"

Though she scolded them, her concern was evident in her tone.

Jeremy then turned to Bertha, his eyes full of disapproval. "Mom, we've only been gone a few days. Why are you so worried?

Why don't you show the same concern for Ashley, who's been away from the Ramos family for so long?"

Bertha was left speechless, not knowing how to argue back.

Ashley looked over at the three of them indifferently, feeling suffocated. by the Ramos family members crowding around her.

As Ashley turned to leave, Matthew carefully stopped her, pleading, "Ashley, please don't go yet. I have something for you..."

Before Ashley could respond, Matthew quickly turned to Bertha, his expression stern. "Mom, why are you here looking for

Ashley? I overheard you earlier. Do you want Ashley to forgive Jessica and Frankie?"

Bertha's face, showing signs of aging despite good care, was filled with deep worry. "Matthew, you don't understand the situation

Jessica and

Frankie are in now..."

Matthew coldly interrupted her. "Of course I know. Jessica deliberately. knocked over the water bottle, ruining Ashley's design.

She deserves the criticism online! If Jessica were here, I wouldn't just scold her. I'd hit her!"

Bertha's eyes widened in disappointment. "Matthew, how can you say. that? Jessica is your sister!"

Matthew scoffed, "Sister? Does Jessica share a blood relationship with me? No! Wake up, Mom. Why are you protecting

someone like Jessica with such ill intentions?"

Bertha trembled with anger, stammering, "You...You..."

Jeremy joined in. "Mom, Matthew is right. Why protect someone like Jessica? The Ramos family has provided her with

everything since she was young. We've done more than enough for her!

"And Frankie, too! Would he be in jail if he hadn't falsely accused Ashley of pushing you? He's getting what he deserves! Why

should Ashley forgive them?"

Bertha, shaking with rage, suddenly slapped Jeremy across the face.

"Jeremy! Frankie is still your elder brother. How can you say such things? To say that him being in jail is deserved, that's too

much!"

Jeremy's face turned to the side from the slap.

He lowered his eyes, his handsome face emotionless. He touched his cheek, feeling both pain and swelling.

Jeremy looked up, meeting Ashley's gaze.

He paused, feeling a rush of surprise and happiness, and smiled, "Ashley, don't worry about me. I'm not hurt."

Ashley was speechless, her voice flat. "Who's worried about you? Even if you were beaten to a pulp, I wouldn't bat an eyelid."

Jeremy's smile froze on his face, turning bitter.

It felt like his heart was being crushed and tormented by a gripping hand, making even breathing painful.

Hearing these words, Bertha pointed at Ashley with burning anger, her eyes turning to Jeremy. "Listen to what she's saying!

Even if you were beaten to death, she wouldn't care about you! Why do you still call her your sister when she's like the devil?"

Jeremy's expression suddenly darkened, his voice cold and sharp. "Say one more thing against her and see what happens."

This time, Jeremy didn't even call Bertha 'Mom'

Shocked by Jeremy's threatening words, Bertha was gasping for breath in anger. "Jeremy...you..."

Jeremy's face was stern, his eyes showing a fearless determination. "Ashley saved my life. If she asks me to die now, I will do it willingly."

The surprise on Bertha's face grew, her eyes and mouth wide open in shock.

She never expected her son to be willing to go to such lengths for Ashley.

He felt such remorse toward Ashley....

Ashley glanced at Jeremy indifferently her expression unchanged.

Matthew pressed his lips, looking at Bertha in disbelief. "You want Ashley to forgive Frankie and Jessica, but why can't you

consider Ashley's feelings? She's your biological daughter."

Bertha's eyes showed no emotion. "Ashley is indeed my biological daughter, but I raised Jessica from a young age, and my

feelings for her are deeper. What's wrong with that?"

Matthew quickly looked at Ashley, worried these words might hurt her.

However, having faced countless disappointments, Ashley had grown indifferent to the motherly love and kinship she once

yearned for.

Bertha's words couldn't stir a ripple in her heart.

Jeremy, frowning, immediately saw through Bertha's lie. "Ashley has been back with the Ramos family for two years and has

been more attentive and filial to you than Jessica. Yet, you can't even give her a sliver of love!"

Bertha argued irrationally. "Which parent doesn't have favorites? I just prefer Jessica. What's wrong with that?"

Ashley's expression was indifferent. "If that's the case, why did you and Evan look for me two years ago and bring me back to

the Ramos family?"

"We did it because... Bertha started, then suddenly stopped.

"Why?" Ashley stared at her, sensing there was a reason behind this.

Jeremy and Matthew exchanged glances, both filled with confusion.

Two years ago, Bertha and Evan told them they had finally found their long-lost biological sister and were bringing her back to

the Ramos family.

Could there be another reason for bringing Ashley back to the Ramos family?