

## Desperation 43

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Jessica quickly shifted her approach, speaking sweetly and gently to recapture Jeremy's attention. "Jeremy, look over there."

Jeremy followed her gaze and saw a large projection screen nearby, ready for video playback.

Jessica picked up a remote control lying nearby and pressed the play button.

The screen then began to display a video montage.

It was a montage of photos of Jessica and the Ramos family, spanning from her childhood to the present.

The first image showed a one-year-old Jessica being held by Evan and Bertha.

Then, there was a photo of her at two years old, playfully playing behind Jeremy. There was a touching moment of Jessica being

fed by Frankie at four.

mu at age five.

And a proud display of her first drawing was gifted to Jeremy

Each image that appeared was filled with familial affection and nostalgia.

After watching the video, Jeremy couldn't help but feel his eyes begin to sting with tears forming.

"Jessica, this is..."

Jessica beamed. "Jeremy, I edited this video myself. It's not very good, so don't make fun of me." Jeremy reassured her, wiping a

tear from the corner of his eye. "Silly girl, how could I ever make fun of you? This video contains so many memories of our family.

I am more moved than anything."

The others around them chimed in with their praises, and some even moved to tears by the sentimental video.

Jeremy looked at the big screen with a sense of nostalgia as he watched the video edited by Jessica. It brought back a flood of

memories from their past.

He suddenly realized he had been somewhat neglectful of Jessica lately and felt regretful. Jeremy mused, 'I really shouldn't have

been so distant. Jessica is such a caring and understanding sister. I shouldn't be treating her coldly.

Jessica noticed the change in Jeremy's expression and smiled smugly to herself.

She was adept at playing the card of familial affection.

Effortlessly, she used this tactic to regain Jeremy's trust.

Jessica then glanced at Ashley, who was not far away, her eyes brimming with the pride and scorn of a victor.

Over on the other side, because they weren't too far away, Joseph also saw the video being played on the big screen and was

momentarily speechless, exclaiming, "Seriously, this is so pretentious!" Joseph then worriedly glanced toward Ashley.

He pondered, "I can tell that Ashley values family deeply. Seeing Jessica being so cared for by the Ramos family in the video, I

wonder if it might upset her. The Ramos family really puzzles me. They finally found their true lost heiress and brought her back

home. However, instead of welcoming Ashley, they treated her harshly while showering affection on the one who isn't their real

heiress. It's as if they've lost their minds!"

However, looking over at Ashley, Joseph noticed her exquisite face showed no sign of disturbance as if she was watching a

clown's performance.

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"What's wrong" Ashley asked, raising an eyebrow as she noticed him looking at her.

Joseph replied. "Oh, nothing! I was a bit worried... but now, I see I was overthinking it

Ashley thought, I know what he's worried about. But from the moment I cut ties with the Ramos family and my heart went cold, I

stopped expecting anything from them. Now, they mean even less to me than strangers.

As Jessica finished playing the carefully edited video of family moments, successfully moving Jeremy to tears, she was about to

put down the remote control.

Unexpectedly, another video started playing automatically on the big screen.

A sound of crying suddenly resounded, startling everyone.

“Please, let me go!” The voice begged amidst sobs.

The crowd, hearing the voice, looked toward the source of the sound.

One of them thought, “Damn! What is this? Who’s crying? It’s chilling!”

The crowd looked toward the screen in unison.

They then saw a video displaying a dimly lit room.

In it, Jeremy lay unconscious on the ground, bound with ropes, showing signs of having been beaten.

Alongside Jeremy were Jessica and Ashley, each tied to a chair, appearing to be victims of a kidnapping.

Jessica was terrified. She kept crying and pleading for help.

It was Jessica’s voice that had been heard crying.

Ashley with her hands tied behind her back and a few strands hid her stunning face.

Her hair disheveled, still couldn’t

She tried to calm Jessica, saying, “Don’t cry, Jessica, it’s going to be okay.”

Jessica, sobbing uncontrollably, said, “Those thugs kidnapped us, they’re going to kill us, they definitely will!”

Despite being the same age as Jessica, Ashley looked at her with a firm gaze, treating her like her own sister. “Don’t be afraid,

Jessica, I’ll protect you....

Just then, the door was kicked open, and a tall, burly man entered the room.

He first kicked the unconscious Jeremy and then approached Ashley and Jessica with a menacing laugh and raspy voice. Today,

I’m going to kill that useless Jeremy! You’re his sisters, Which one of you is willing to die for him?”

This video was so sudden and unexpected that everyone watching it was stunned and unable to react at first.

Jeremy recognized the man in the video, and his expression turned grim.

He thought. I’ll never forget this man. He was one of the criminals who kidnapped me! When I was kidnapped. I was knocked

unconscious and didn’t know what happened afterward. I only knew that Jessica heroically saved me while Ashley selfishly

abandoned me and ran away. Why am I now seeing this video of the abduction?”

Seeing this unexpected video, Jessica felt a chill run down her spine, and her hands trembled in fear.

She pondered fearfully, 'How can this be happening? I thought I had destroyed this video long ago. Why is it being played now?'

'Stop it!'

Jessica then picked up the remote control and frantically tried to turn off the video.

But the moment she pressed on the remote control, it didn't work!

The video still continued to play on the big screen!

Jessica pondered anxiously. "What's going on? Who is playing this video! Stop it! Don't play it anymore!"

However, her prayers went unheard.

The video continued playing, with the sinister-looking kidnapper asking Jessica and Ashley, "Come on, both of you are Jeremy's

sisters. Who's willing to die for that loser?"

The fact that Jeremy had been kidnapped was not a secret, and as those around them recalled the incident, they instantly

formed a judgment in their minds upon hearing the kidnapper's question.

"It must have been Jessica who stood up for him!"

"Yeah, I remember Jeremy once mentioned that it was Jessica who saved him back then. Ashley just knew how to run away!"

"Although Jessica is not his biological sister, she was willing to die for Jeremy. How can Ashley compare to her?"

Jeremy, too, thought the same. Although he was unconscious at the time, he later learned that it was Jessica who had saved

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But in the next moment, the video showed Jessica, faced with the kidnapper's question, hesitating before shaking her head

violently.

"I don't want to! I don't want to die for Jeremy! Kill him if you must, but don't kill me!"