## **Desperation 54**

Chapter 54

Ashley sat by the harp, pressing the strings with her left hand and plucking the strings with her right hand. With just a slight lift of

her index finger, the harp made a deep and far-reaching tone.

It was pleasant, making people think of ancient times.

This harp was worthy of being one of the top ten famous harps.

Ashley was surprised. The tone overwhelmed her, and then she was immersed in playing it.

Valentin looked at Ashley, who was immersed in playing the harp. A trace of warmth appeared in his cold and deep eyes.

He knew that The Land was the first song written by Ashley. She posted it on the Internet under the name Ash. The song

enjoyed popular love as soon as it was released and went viral for a while.

This song could be played with various instruments, but the most suitable one was the harp. The tune changed from gentle to

passionate. The emotions it contained were unique and strong. Valentin had listened to it so many times in private that he knew

the score by heart.

Zain sat on the sofa and enjoyed the music. He had boundless feelings even if Ashley finished playing the song. He praised,

"Ashley, you play the harp better than before. I have heard so many famous. harpers play the harp, but none of them are better

than you."

Ashley smiled, "Grandpa, I'm flattered."

Zain became anxious upon hearing this. I'm not flattering you. You played it very well. Ashley, do you like this harp?"

"I like it very much. Thank you."

"I'm glad that you like it. As long as you like it, my effort is not in vain."

Zain laughed heartily and pulled Ashley up affectionately as if he had endless words to talk to her. He completely ignored

Valentin.

Valentin stood alone and was speechless.

After lunch, Zain returned to the Kingsley Manor.

Ashley put away the harp. This harp needed to be stored properly. She put it in another place and returned to the living room.

Valentin was staring at her.

His eyes were deep. It seemed that he had been staring at Ashley for a long time.

Ashley's heart skipped a beat. She stared at him arrogantly. "Stop staring at me."

Valentin chuckled. He sat leisurely on the sofa and crossed his legs. He waved to her. "Come here."

Ashley didn't listen to him obediently. She stood still and refused. "No. Why do I have to come to you as you said?"

Valentin raised his eyebrows, stood up abruptly, and said casually, "Okay, since you don't want to come over, then I'll go over."

Ashley rolled her eyes.

How could Valentin be so cheeky?

Ashley glanced at him as Valentin walked over and deliberately walked towards the sofa.

She didn't want to have close contact with him anyway.

Ashley walked to the sofa and sat down.

Valentin raised his eyebrows slightly and smiled. He was not angry and returned patiently.

Seeing him coming back. Ashley immediately stood up and wanted to walk away.

However, the next second, Valentin held her shoulders, looked down at her with his deep eyes, i said in a low voice, "Why are

you escaping? I won't do anything to you."

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Ashley felt a sudden tightness. She glared at him. "What nonsense are you talking about? I don't want to see your bitten mouth."

Valentin grunted, tilting his head deliberately. He showed her the bitten corner of his mouth and said, "Then, why didn't you push

me away and bite me instead, huh?"

Ashley didn't know what to say for a while.

Valentin paused for two seconds, seeming to recall. "Let me think about how many times Ashley bit me last night."

Ashley was stunned.

Her eyes widened in surprise.

"Oh, I remembered it. You bit me at least three times..."

Before Valentin could finish speaking, Ashley stretched out her hand and covered his mouth, feeling ashamed and embarrassed.

"Don't say that."

Valentin chuckled, and his voice was low and magnetic. He was pleased.

Ashley glared at him, loosened her hand on his mouth, and turned to leave.

But Valentin held her wrist.

He gently rubbed her delicate skin. "Do you want to go to the racecourse tomorrow?"

Ashley was angry at this moment. She responded without looking back, "No!"

Valentin softened his tone, and there was a hint of coaxing in his magnetic voice. "The racecourse has your favorite white horse."

Ashley was intrigued.

She liked white horses. Not only did they look elegant and gorgeous, but they were also beautiful while running.

She had tamed a strong horse when she was a child.

But Ashley thought Valentin would mention the matter that she had bitten the corner of his again if she went to the racecourse

with him.

She had a headache just thinking about it, so she reluctantly refused. "No. I don't want to go there."

Valentin stayed at the back of her head. The hand that was holding her wrist moved down slowly, and he lightly scratched her

palm with his index finger. "Really?"

Ashley felt itchy in her palm.

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The itch spread from her hand and reached into her heart, and she even felt numb in her tailbone for a moment.

Ashley shook his hand off uncomfortably as if she was electrocuted. Then, she ran up the stairs without looking back. "No! I

won't go."

Valentin looked at her running back and raised his eyebrows slightly. He shouted in a casual tone, "Okay, let's go there together

when you want to go."

Ashley snorted. She whispered, "Humph! Who wants to go there with you?"

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Ashley was no stranger to the name Bryce Bryce was a male star. He was handsome, popular, and had countless fans.

Laura continued. "Every episode of this variety show will attract a lot of viewers. You are a newcomer in showbiz and probably

won't have many pictures. You can take advantage of this variety show and show up in public. It will be of great help to you."

Ashley was quite interested in the variety show. "Laura, when will it be recorded?"

"A week later."

"Okay. I get it"

Ashley just said a few words and hung up the phone. Then, she searched Great Surprise online. She had heard of the variety

show but hadn't watched it.

She was about to choose a episode of this variety show to watch when Laura called her again.

"Ashley, I just learned that Matthew will also participate in this variety show. The program team said he initially rejected the

invitation, but when he heard that you would participate, he changed his mind and agreed

"Matthew aimed at you. Ashley, you... Do you still want to go to this variety show?"

Laura knew that Ashley had severed ties with the Ramos family, so she deduced that the relationship between Ashley and

Matthew was not good.

Unexpectedly, Matthew would cause trouble for Ashley even if she just wanted to participate in a variety show.

Ashley sneered when she heard this, and she smiled sarcastically, "Of course. Why should I be the one to quit?"

She would not flinch just because of the Ramos family.

Since Matthew wanted to cause trouble for her, she would give him this opportunity.