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"Your phone is ringing, Joseph."

Joseph ignored her words and lowered his head, but soon Irish stopped him and said with a smile, "Hurry up and answer the phone, don't delay your business."

The phone rang several more times before Joseph had no choice but to answer it.

Irish took the opportunity to clean up, and when she was combing her hair, she took a quick glance at Joseph but accidentally found that his eyes had turned severe.

He was just listening on the phone and did not say anything. After a long while, he said briefly, "Okay, I get it."

Irish knew something must have happened, so she stepped forward and asked, "What's wrong?"

Joseph kept silent for a while and replied, "Alston is dead."

"Ah?"

"He jumped from the building and committed suicide." After finishing his words, Joseph got out of the bathtub. Irish hastily took the bath towel and handed it to him. He put it around his waist and then walked out of the bathroom, and Irish also stepped out.

Joseph turned on the TV in the bedroom, and it was broadcasting the news about Alston's death. He jumped from the top of the diamond mine bidding hall at noon, and no pedestrians passed by at that time. When he was discovered, he was already dead.

"Why did he kill himself?" Irish asked while holding Joseph on the bed since she was perturbed by the scene on the news.

Joseph sighed and answered, "You should be aware of the cruelty in this industry. Every time you invest in a mine, you can't be sure if the mine you've invested in is priceless or worthless. There are many people who have invested in an empty mine like Alston. They invest all of their money but get nothing, so many people will choose to kill themselves."

"But we have taken over the empty mine." Irish was still confused.

Joseph thought for a while and then said meaningfully, "Perhaps he really suffered a great loss this time."

Irish frowned and thought for a long time and then shook her head, "I think that's so weird. I saw him yesterday, and he didn't look like a person who was about to commit suicide."

Joseph remained silent while Irish continued, "Joseph, don't you think it is weird? Try to think, if he had determined to commit suicide already, he wouldn't care about transferring the empty diamond mine and wouldn't protect that pink diamond either."

But Joseph still kept silent.

Irish took a deep breath and said, "Perhaps, it was not suicide but a murder."

"You think too much," Joseph finally said to her calmly and added, "The police have begun to investigate it, so we don't have to care if it was suicide or murder."

Irish also understood that, but she felt depressed about it. After all, it was a living person, and she just saw him yesterday.

"Go to find Tuell," Joseph said to her unexpectedly, and Irish was shocked. "It is time to get that rough diamond now."

Irish said hesitantly, "But what should I do if he insists on not giving it to me?"

Joseph shook his head lightly and said firmly, "No, you go to find him now. I am sure he will give it to you."

Irish was astonished again, and she was confused why Joseph was so confident. Obviously, Joseph did not intend to explain it to her and just patted her hands lightly and said, "Go ahead."

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When Shirley woke up, it was late in the morning the next day, and when she opened her eyes, she saw many people in her room. Roy and Ruby were sitting beside her, and they were pleased when they found she was awake. "Mom, you're awake." Roy was finally relieved.

Looking around, Shirley found that she was in her bedroom, and she murmured, "What's wrong with me?"

"You passed out in the garden and were discovered by our housemaid." Henry said seriously and asked, "How did you pass out in the garden at night?"

His words reminded her of what happened last night, and she began to scream with her head buried in the pillow.

Ruby and Roy were both startled by her, and Henry frowned since he was disturbed by her sharp screaming, so he roared, "Stop! Tell me what happened."

But Shirley didn't stop screaming at all. Though Roy was unsatisfied with his father's attitude towards his mother, he could do nothing but hold her and try to comfort her, "Mom, what's wrong with you? Are you sick?"

When he held her, Roy found that she was trembling, and her body was so cold that it stunned him. Ruby also found that something was wrong, so she was also anxious.

Shirley looked up, and her eyes were filled with fear. She grabbed Ruby and then grabbed Roy's hands and said in a quavering voice, "I saw the ghost in the garden."

Ruby was shocked and asked, "Mom, what are you talking about?"

"A ghost! I saw a ghost last night." Shirley was in a panic and couldn't help her messy image, hastily saying to Henry, "Henry, I really saw a ghost! She was dressed in a red skirt with long hair."

Henry frowned and said, "Don't talk nonsense!"

"I am serious!" Shirley was hysterical and shouted, "She didn't have a face, and when she turned to me, I still saw the back side of her head."

"Mom." Roy was confused and comforted her. "You must have it wrong. There is no such thing as ghosts in the world."

"No, I saw it. I really saw it."

Henry lost his patience and stood up, "Call our family doctor." Then he walked out of the room while Shirley was still muttering in panic.

Ruby and Roy sighed but couldn't do anything for her.

Kelly stood beside and kept silent for a long time, and they also turned to leave. Seeing her, William also followed her out of the room. When they left the room, he touched Kelly's arms and asked in a low voice after looking back at Shirley. "Do you trust your sister?"

"Trust that there are ghosts in the world?" After hearing this, Kelly sneered and then added, "Just as the old saying goes: A clear conscience fears not a false accusation. I am afraid that she has done too much, and she feels guilty. She deserves it."

William looked at Kelly's cold face and sighed helplessly, "She's your sister..."

Kelly looked at him weirdly and asked, "Do you think she is worth pitying?"

"Nonsense!" William frowned at her and left, then Kelly also snorted and went back to her room.