Esper 20

Chapter 20: Lethal Protector

"I think... I am passing on..."

"What?!" Rudy exclaimed. "You can't just leave like that. You belong to me!"

Angelica's body stopped shining, and everything went back to normal.

"Uhh... did I stop you from passing on?" Rudy uttered with a curious yet anxious look on his face.

"Actually... I don't think I was passing on..." Angelica muttered. She moved her hand to touch Rudy before saying, "I think this happened because you named me."

Angelica tried to touch Rudy, and she was able to touch him.

"I can touch you..." she said with a cheerful smile on her face.

"Yes..." Rudy was happy too, but he was also worried.

"Does that mean you can't go back into my body again?" he asked with an anxious look on his face.

"Let me try." Angelica tried to go inside Rudy's body, and she disappeared from Rudy's sight.

'I think I can still stay in your body...' she said from inside Rudy's body.

Rudy sighed in relief and muttered, "Thank fuck. Because I had no idea how I was going to explain everything to mom."

Rudy left the room to head downstairs, but at the same time, Rebecca was coming upstairs at full speed. She didn't see Rudy and ended up bumping into him. And because of that, she slipped and fell down the stairs, but Rudy grabbed her before she could hit the ground.

"Are you okay?!" he asked with an anxious and concerned look on his face.

Rebecca nodded in response and noticed Rudy was carrying her in his arm like a princess.

"Uhh... you can let me down now," she said with a little flushed face.

"Yeah..." Rudy was about to let her down, but he noticed a scrap on Rebecca's leg and said, "I will take you to couch."

Rudy carried Rebecca in his arms and placed her on the couch. Then, he went to the kitchen to grab a first aid kit, but he couldn't find one.

"Where is the first aid kit, mom?" Rudy asked while looking through the drawers.

"We don't have them," Rebecca replied.

'Right... we never used them...' Rudy sighed and said, "I have them in my room. Stay right there! I will be back."

Rudy dashed upstairs to his room, grabbed his wallet, and teleported to the street he always walked to go to school.

In the corner, there was a pharmaceutical shop. He bought a bottle of Savlon, a cotton roll, and some bandages.

After buying them, he glanced around to ensure no one was looking at him and teleported back to his room. Then, he went downstairs and started applying it to Rebecca's leg.

"Why would you waste money on this? It's just a little scrap," Rebecca said.

"A small injury can lead to a big infection, mom," Rudy asserted. "If it catches an infection, we can get thousands of dollars in hospital bills for saving 10\$ for the disinfectants."

Rudy patched up Rebecca's scrap and said with a smile on his face, "So it's better to take precautions. I don't want you to hurt yourself."

Rebecca's face flushed as she patted Rudy's head and said with a smile on her face: "I never knew you have become so mature."

"Of course, I am the man of the house," Rudy said with a proud face.

Rebecca pinched Rudy's cheek and said, "You are too small to be called..." Rebecca stopped when she recalled what she had seen last night when she went to Rudy's room.

"Well..." Rebecca averted her gaze and said, "Umm..."

"Why were you in such a hurry?" Rudy asked with a curious yet calm look on his face.

"Oh, right?!" Rebecca exclaimed and pointed her finger at the table in the living room. "You won't believe what happened!"

On the table, snacks packets were opened.

'So she opened them, huh?' Rudy played dumb and asked, "What happened?"

"So... I was going to make breakfast, but then I noticed we were out of milk, so I thought maybe I should make something from the snack. But when I opened it, I found a 100\$ bill!"

"Wow! That's great!"

"Not only that. When I opened another packet, I found another 100\$ bill!" Rebecca said with a huge smile on her face.

"Really?!"

"And then I opened all 30 packets and found 100\$ bills in 27 packets! Can you believe it?!"

"That's unbelievable!"

"With this money, we can pay our rent without worry, and we won't have to worry about the next month either," Rebecca asserted.

"Yes. So..." Rudy placed his hands on Rebecca's shoulders and said with a gentle smile on his face: "You don't have to do multiple jobs."

"But..."

"No buts."

"Fine. I will limit my jobs for the next month, but only until we run out of this money."

'Don't worry, mom. I will get us rich using my superpowers, and then you won't have to do any jobs.' Rudy uttered to himself.

He glanced at Rebecca and saw her smiling and rejoicing with a happy face.

'Her smile looks so beautiful. It's the most beautiful thing in the world. And her happy face is just... bliss. I rarely got to see her happy in my past life.'

'But this time, I can do anything to protect her and her smile. I will crush anyone who comes in the path of my happiness. I will change my morals, bend my ideals, and throw away my innocence. I can be the god to bless her and the devil to protect her and those who I hold dear.'