

Revenge Against My Ex-husband

Chapter 135 Mother and Daughter

After closing the private room door, Rowane seated herself opposite Marie, who had a very unpleasant look on her face. Marie asked, "Miss, what do you want from me?"

Rowane stared at Marie and bit her lip. The woman in front of her looked somewhat similar to her. For some reason, she had a vague hint of expectation that Marie was her mother.

Meanwhile, Marie looked at Rowane with disgust. Margaret had stated that she wanted Rowane to have children with Edric. In fact, both Rowane and Edric were pretty close. As a result, Marie subconsciously felt uncomfortable when she saw Rowane and spoke in a very unpleasant tone.

"I..." Rowane pulled out a pendant from her pocket and put it on the table. "Do you recognize this pendant?"

Marie's expression changed when she saw the pendant. She picked it up and inspected it carefully. "Why do you have this?"

"Is it yours?" Rowane glanced at Marie eagerly.

"Yes!" Marie picked up the pendant. "It's a family heirloom of mine. My mother left it to me, but I accidentally lost it. Why do you have it?"

"It was given to my foster parents by the orphanage director. She said that the pendant was given to her for safekeeping by the person who sent me to the orphanage. She also mentioned that it belonged to my mother and that if I found the owner of this pendant, I could find my mother... I've been searching for her for years... Mom! I finally found you!" Tears rolled down from Rowane's eyes as she sobbed uncontrollably.

Marie looked at Rowane in astonishment. At that moment, she had a flashback to a scene in the dead of winter. A woman in a thick cotton coat handed a newborn baby to a thin man. "Take this sinful child away immediately! Send it as far away as possible!"

As ordered, the man reached for the baby and vanished into the cold winter. That very night, her pendant disappeared as well. Marie had always thought she lost it by accident, but to her surprise, it had been taken away! Upon realization, she was fuming with rage. How dared that wretched man stirred up such a massive mess for her! What should she do now?

While Rowane was still crying, Marie's mind had already gone through several turns. A huge fuss now laid before her. Should she accept Rowane as a daughter?

Looking at Rowane's current reaction, Marie knew that she would be persistently searching for the truth if Marie denied it. After all, the truth would always prevail. It would be bad if she accidentally exposed what happened back then.

But deep down, she did not want to admit it. As Marie gazed at Rowane's exquisite features and recalled her relationship with Edric, she was sure that Rowane must've done some research before coming to her. Gritting her teeth, Marie had made her decision. She had no choice but to accept Rowane. In any case, maybe Rowane could be of help later.

With that in mind, her face immediately took on a sad and bitter expression, and tears rolled out of her gorgeous eyes. "My child, my poor child! It was my fault that I put you in the orphanage, but I didn't have a choice!"

She took Rowane in her arms. "I can't live with you since I was not yet married at that time, so I was forced to send you to the orphanage. I went back to look for you, but instead, I heard that you were adopted."

There was no lie in her words. Ever since Marie heard that Rowane had been sent to an orphanage, she had secretly visited her. It wasn't until Rowane was adopted that she was relieved and forgot about Rowane.

"My adoptive parents died. But before they left, they told me the truth. They told me to take this pendant and search for my birth mother... I... I never thought I'd really find you!"

Rowane felt happy from the bottom of her heart. Although Marie had left her at the orphanage unattended, Rowane had always believed that she had done it for a reason. Rowane, at this moment, was thrilled to have found her biological mother!

Marie, however, did not share her thoughts. To her, Rowane was destined to be a nuisance. To avoid further chaos, she must find a way to deal with this matter. The two hugged each other as they cried, and both were lost in their own thoughts.

Meanwhile, Irene was having dinner with Kinsey when she received a call from Edric. Upon hearing what she was doing, he bombarded her with a series of questions, hoping to know every single detail of hers. Babbling like an old lady, he did not realize that Irene was so annoyed by him.

It was said that women in love would lose their logic, but this also applied to men, for that was what happened to Edric. He now felt afflicted with worries and anxiety every day.

He felt that there was a reason for Irene's sudden change of attitude toward him, but he couldn't tell why. In fact, he was afraid that all the good things he saw now were only an illusion. He was worried that one day when he pushed open the door to his house, he would find Irene gone like before.

And because of that, Edric would remind Irene not to forget to think of him every morning before leaving the house. He would give her a phone call during work to inquire about her whereabouts. Even when he came home at night, the first thing he would ask was, "Irene, did you miss me?"

Irene found Edric's behavior strange. After hanging up the phone, she sighed. "Do you think he's faking it? Does he have to be so clingy?"

Kinsey giggled. "You shouldn't ask such questions to people like me who have never dated before. However, I do think that Edric is probably faking it. After all, you haven't seen him miss you as much in the three years you've been apart. How could he suddenly be so attached to you? If you think about it, it doesn't seem normal..."

Irene nodded. "I think so too, but why do you think he's pretending? Does he have to?"

"I haven't finished my words yet. What I mean is that Edric is either faking it or really loving you, and only you can figure that out. I, an outsider, can't give you the answer."

Irene glared at Kinsey. "Where do I find the time to figure that out? I have to hurry up and get pregnant in the next week or so."

"Actually, sometimes, I find Edric's a nice guy, but the fact that he has a disgusting mother is a huge minus," added Kinsey.

"Don't mention it. As the saying goes, once bitten, twice shy. I still get chills thinking about her. Say, how could I have been so stupid back then?" Thinking about the past, Irene found herself hard to believe.

"That's because you love him. A woman in love has zero intelligence. You had fallen head over heel for him, so naturally, you don't care about yourself. All you can think about is him. Therefore, you are willing to endure any form of torture for him." Kinsey sighed. "Irene, do you really not love Edric at all? Not even the slightest?"

"I don't have time to think about that!" Irene replied.

Kinsey reminded Irene, "It's not just about Eden now. If you're pregnant, it's about the second child as well. Are you going to raise both of these kids without a father?"

"As soon as Eden is healed, I'll consider finding a father for them," answered Irene.

"The love of a biological father is not the same as the love of a stepfather. Irene, if Edric is true to you, you can absolutely start over with him. Even for the sake of the children, you should consider him. Provided, of course, that he loves you and has no other agenda," analyzed Kinsey.

Irene was silent. Kinsey was right in saying that the love of a biological father was not the same as the love of a stepfather. Her heart cracked a little as she thought about Eden's look of longing for his father's love.

She was indeed resentful of Edric. But after he told her the truth, she realized that she had been handling things in an extreme way. Therefore, it was partly Irene's fault that the two of them had turned out this way.

Her heart was completely consumed with anger and hatred the moment Lily showed her the pregnancy test and said, "I'm pregnant and it's Edric's baby."

Back then, Deborah had seduced Steven, and now, Lily had snatched Edric away. This was too much for Irene to take! The pain of not being able to conceive for a long time and the pain of what she perceived as betrayal consumed her heart. That was why she became crazy and irrational.

So much so that after Edric's lawyer showed up with the divorce papers and offered such harsh conditions, she signed the divorce without any hesitation.

Couples usually argued in divorce, but she didn't even give Edric a word of explanation, nor did she need to. Just like that, hatred sustained her to leave Edric.

For all these years, she could not get over the hurdle of how Edric could betray her. However, the truth of the matter was that she might have misjudged Edric. If that was the case, her hatred and insistence at the beginning would have been totally unnecessary.

Kinsey was right. Irene should indeed think about her future with Edric, and Eden.

Just then, Kinsey received a call from the TV station and left, while Irene sat in the booth for a moment before getting up to leave. But when she passed by the door of the room Rowane had just entered, she heard people crying coming from inside. Irene subconsciously stopped in her tracks. If she heard correctly, not only Rowane but Marie were also crying inside. What was going on in there?

Irene had no intention of eavesdropping. However, the sound of wailing inside sounded way too strange. Besides, she didn't expect to hear Rowane calling Marie 'Mom'. Startled, Irene rushed out of the hotel.

While on her way back, Irene kept on muttering to herself. She had often dealt with Marie in her previous visits to the hospital and knew that Marie had always been single. Irene was positively taken aback now that Marie suddenly had a daughter.

As she thought about Marie and Malcom's relationship, Irene's heart missed a beat. Could Rowane be their daughter? If so, wouldn't that make her Jordan's half-sister?

Should she tell Jordan about this?