

Revenge Against My Ex-husband

Chapter 67 Distracted

Edric parked his car at the entrance. At the same time, Margaret had also reached their house in her own car.

The duo went into the villa, both irate. The maid, Loraine Bush, was shocked when she saw Margaret's sorry state. She asked, "What's wrong?"

Margaret didn't answer Loraine. She threw her purse on the sofa and hissed, "Let's talk!"

"Okay!" Edric spat out a word and flounced himself onto the sofa. He looked at Margaret coldly and asked, "What do you want to talk about?"

Margaret was smirking with fury when she saw how indifferent Edric was. "Edric, how can you be so cold-blooded? I am your mother, but you didn't do anything when that woman splashed the water on me. Look at how arrogant that woman has become!"

"You asked for it!" Edric sneered, "As a well-educated individual, how dare you interfere with other people in public? You even attacked her in front of her child! You should already consider yourself lucky that you got off with just that!"

"How could you talk to me in such a tone!" Margaret squealed, incensed. "Your father passed away at a young age. I had to manage both the company and take care of you at the same time for so many years. Do you think it was easy for me?"

"Ever since I start remembering things, you've been mentioning it non-stop. Mom, aren't you tired of it?" Edric asked. "Which single mother in this world has it easy? Compared with others, at least Dad left the company to you. With that company as your income source, you didn't end up homeless, and you won't have to worry about your survival. You're one lucky single mother if I can be frank, as it's not that case for others."

Edric got emotional. When he thought of how Irene had been forced to such an extent over the years, he felt extremely exasperated. If it weren't for Margaret, who had been controlling him with all these excuses, and her involvement, he and Irene wouldn't have become such strangers.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have blamed himself like that, and he wouldn't need to live in such pain. They would have their own children, and they would live a happy life.

Thinking of those things, Edric's anger erupted like a volcano. "It's said that maternal love is meant to be selfless and not to ask for returns. Why have I never felt this before? Ever since I could remember, you have been chaining me by your side. If I didn't behave as you wanted me to in the slightest, you would always tell me off. Other mothers want their children to be happy, but in your eyes, there's only the company and wealth, not me. I always wanted to ask you, am I really your son?"

"Edric? What is the meaning of this? What happened?" Margaret stared at Edric. It was as if she was looking at a stranger.

"Why do you have to torture me like this?" Edric's eyes turned red. "I would rather you abandoned me back then and found yourself another man than to tie me up for a lifetime with all these excuses. I would rather you throw me in the orphanage than live this life that is worse than death!"

Hearing Edric's words, Margaret's eyes widened in shock. Was that how his attitude should be when he was talking to her? She was his mother! "You disobedient b*stard..."

Before Margaret could finish her sentence, Edric interjected her immediately, "Disobedient? If I'm a disobedient son, why would I let you torture the girl I love and obey your orders as well as force her out of the house? Furthermore, I have been turning a blind eye to her while she wanders around there, penniless! You've been guilt-tripping me for decades, aren't you tired of it?"

"How... How dare you say that to me?" Margaret quivered with rage. Edric had always been obedient to her, so she never had the chance to reflect on her actions. Thus, she always thought that what she had done was for Edric's good.

This was the first time Edric told her his actual thoughts. How could she take it?

Margaret felt that Edric was purposely going against her for Irene's sake. "How could you raise your voice at me for that woman? That d*mned woman must have poisoned your mind! You are going to ditch me, aren't you?!" Margaret screamed, "If she hadn't gone against me, would I have done that to her?"

"Gone against you? You're still living in that stupid dream of yours, aren't you? Do you think I'm blind?" Edric was extremely disappointed with Margaret. "Ever since Irene married into our family, you've always disliked her and nitpicked on her. However, she tolerated everything for me, but you went even further to humiliate and torture her. Mom, you're also a woman and a mother. Why couldn't stand in her shoes?"

"Why should I stand in her shoes? She's infertile! I even took her around to seek medical advice. You two have been married for three years, and I have never given up on her. She was the one who betrayed you! Worse still, she viciously pushed Lily and caused Lily to have a miscarriage! Otherwise, why would I treat her in this way?"

Anger thrummed through Edric's veins when he saw how stubborn Margaret was. "How could she give birth to a child when she had such an evil mother-in-law! Didn't you always say that Irene was infertile? What do you think after seeing that beautiful child next to her just now?"

Margaret was speechless.

"Mom, don't you have anything to say?" Edric looked at Margaret sarcastically.

"I..." Margaret had nothing else to say.

"Don't you want to know what kind of life Irene had been through after being driven out by me? Let me tell you! She was forced to marry another guy after being driven out by a ruthless billionaire like me. She didn't love that man at all, but in order to survive, she had no choice but to marry a man who she didn't love."

"I wasn't the one who forced her to do that. I just wanted you guys to divorce. I didn't say I wouldn't give her money," Margaret retorted.

"Yes, it was me who didn't want to give her money, but do you know why I was being so cruel to her back then?" Edric bellowed fiercely.

"You forced me to! You used death to threaten Irene and me so we would get a divorce. But I didn't want to! I never wanted to divorce her! But I couldn't watch you die, so I asked the lawyer to draft that agreement. I made the conditions sound as harsh as possible thinking that she wouldn't sign the contract. However, my plan ended up pushing her to fall into despair instead! She signed the agreement without hesitation! In order to force her to come back, I used every means I could think of. I made sure that she couldn't find a job so she would come back to me, but I never thought that she would persist till now!"

Edric didn't feel better even though he spat out all these secrets that he'd been hiding. In fact, he felt even more suffocated.

"In order to survive, she chose to marry that man. But, when she was about to get married, her husband had an accident and passed away. Her child was born without his father. She had been living with this child alone. Only God knew how much she had suffered all these years. She shouldn't have needed to endure these things, but because she married a coward, a cold-blooded man like me, she fell to such a state. Do you understand?"

Margaret, of course, would never show any sympathy towards Irene. "There's nothing we can do about the past. Won't the problem be solved if you just gave her some money?"

Listening to Margaret's nonchalant suggestion, Edric smashed the tea table in front of her with his fist. "Do you think this is a problem that can be solved by money? Huh!"

"So what do you want? She has already married and has a child. This is a fact that can't be undone. What else can we do except for giving her money?" Margaret rebuked.

"Ah, I've come up with the best solution. Marry Irene again and treat her child as my own!" replied Edric.

"Are you crazy?" Margaret jumped up.

"I'm not. This is the result of my careful consideration during this period of time," Edric answered.

"No! I won't allow you to do so!" Anxiousness quickened her vein. "Edric, there are many ways we can make it up to her. There is no need to marry her again, right? You and Lily have already decided on the date of engagement. We've even gotten everything prepared. We just have to wait for the date of engagement. What do you make of Lily if you are going to turn her down at this point in time?"

"You can compensate her with money!" Edric responded coldly.

Wasn't that what she said to Edric just then? Edric immediately used it against her. Margaret was dumbstruck by Edric's words. "Edric, Lily is an untouched virgin. It's really not easy for her to take that step for you given the fact you are a divorcee. Why don't you think in her shoes?"

"Then who will think in Irene's shoes?" Edric retaliated. "You're the one who prefers Lily over Irene. You deal with it yourself. I'm going to take Irene back now. No one can stop me!"

"If you really are going to do that, then I will end my life here and now!" Margaret threatened.

"Mom, aren't you sick of using that same excuse every day?" Edric looked at Margaret in disgust. "The same method should only be used once. It will only be annoying if you use it again and again."

"You..." Margaret didn't expect that Edric would say such cruel words. Margaret had no cards to pull at the moment.

"I remember that you used to say that if I don't have a child, you can't face Dad after you pass away, right? I don't have a child now, do I? Mom, I know you won't kill yourself right now!" Edric sneered.

Margaret's face turned red, but she couldn't rebuke him. Edric turned on his heel and went upstairs. After a few steps, he turned back and yelled, "I won't be at anyone's mercy this time. I'll decide my own life!"

That day, Deborah accompanied Steven to an event, and Lily was alone at home. She felt a little lonely as no one was at home. She went back to her room alone after she was bored with watching TV in the living room for a while.

She didn't know why she had a feeling of uneasiness. Did something happen?

Just as she was thinking about it, the phone rang. She picked it up and heard a soft female voice. "Miss Cook, it's me."

"Lorraine?" Hearing the voice of Edric's maid, Lily had a bad hunch.

"Mrs. Myers and Mr. Edric just had a huge fight," Lorraine relayed.

"Why did they fight?" Lily asked.

"They fought because of Irene. Mr. Myers knows that Irene had given birth to a child..." Lorraine detailed everything about that fight to Lily. The more Lily listened, the more frightened she became.

After Lorraine finished her report, Lily hung up the phone in a hurry. Lily was in a state of confusion. What should she do? What should she do now?!

Why was Deborah not back yet? She picked up the phone and called Deborah. The phone rang twice before it was rejected. Lily couldn't sit still anymore. She hurriedly opened the door and went downstairs, only to hear the sound of the car. Deborah and Steven were back.

Deborah came in with Steven with a smile on her face. Lily knew that they must have a whale of a time attending that day's event.

Lily tamped down her emotions and came forward. "Mom, I have bought a new set of clothes. Would you like to have a look for me?"

Deborah nodded and said, "You head upstairs first. I'll make you a cup of tea for your dad first."

"Go ahead. I'll ask Maisy to make the tea for me." Steven was in a good mood.

"I'll make it. I'm afraid that you won't be used to it if Maisy makes it," Deborah replied and immediately went to make tea for Steven. Lily was very anxious, but she didn't dare to show it out. Having no choice, she went upstairs alone.

A few minutes later, Deborah entered Lily's room. "Did you call me here because you got some bad news?"

Lily nodded and told Deborah what Lorraine had heralded to her. "It was smart of you to leave a spy by Margaret's side. Otherwise, we wouldn't have known anything," remarked Lily.

"That's why, you must always leave a trump card when you do things. Didn't you disagree with me when I asked Lorraine to stay there previously?" Deborah said.

"I was afraid that it might lead to unnecessary trouble. Lorraine was also someone who knew what we had done in the past. It would be bad if she exposed it by accident," Lily answered.

Back then, Lily couldn't have made Irene infertile if it wasn't for Lorraine's help. When Edric was on a business trip, she asked Lorraine to give Irene sleeping pills and secretly took her to a clinic for sterilization.