

Chapter 10 Don't Play The Victim Card On Me Again

Witnessing Simone finally confronting her, Jodie couldn't help but feel a sense of satisfaction. Simone is becoming more and more irritable. This is great! she thought to herself. Apologizing with a hurt expression, she said, "I'm sorry, I didn't realize you would mind the living conditions here. I assumed you would follow the production team's arrangements and stay with us." In doing so, she implied that Simone couldn't handle hardship and disliked the poor living conditions.

Aaron also looked at Simone with a frown and said, "If you don't want to stay here, you don't have to. There's no need to speak to Jo like this." Simone is so jealous; she can't stand the sight of Jo and keeps picking on her regardless of the situation. He continued, "The production team mentioned that we would be filming in the countryside. If you find the conditions here unsatisfactory, you shouldn't have come." She even deliberately picked a fight with our family for this spot. What's the point of it, anyway?

Simone raised an eyebrow and told Jodie, "When did I say I disliked these living conditions and refused to follow the production team's arrangements?" Then, she turned to Aaron with a cold expression and said, "I was simply expressing my opinion, telling your sister not to speak for me. Is that wrong? If you want to defend your sister, that's your business, but please don't take sides without reason and deliberately twist my words. Besides, what you say isn't law here, and this isn't your home either. Not everyone has to cater to you and your sister."

Zac let out a whistle, adding fuel to the fire. "Well said! No one here is obligated to cater to you guys."

Aaron glared at him for provoking the situation. He then turned to Simone in displeasure and asked, "So, what did you mean?"

Simone pointed to the bed in the room. "This bed consists only of wooden boards and has no mattress or bedding. How are we supposed to sleep on it? You and your sister can endure hardship and sleep on these bare wooden boards for three weeks, but I'm not capable of doing so. That's why I told your sister not to speak for me. My original intention was to suggest that we discuss this with the production team and ask them to provide us with some mattresses and bedding."

This response left Aaron and Jodie speechless, especially Jodie, who felt embarrassed by Simone's sarcastic remark. She had only wanted to prove that she could endure hardship and follow arrangements, but she hadn't noticed the lack of a mattress on the bed, making it impossible to sleep at night. This allowed Simone to mock her, and she couldn't refute Simone since Simone herself had claimed she couldn't sleep on it.

Zac chimed in with a laugh. "I can't even stand sleeping on such bare wooden boards for a day, let alone three weeks."

Keira echoed, "Sorry, I can't do it either."

How could anyone sleep on this bare wooden board for three weeks? Even though it was summer now and the weather here was bearable, cooling down at night, one would still need something to cover themselves to avoid catching a cold. Besides, sleeping on a wooden board like this would make one's whole body ache the next morning. That's easy for you to say, Jodie.

Eric also stated, "I can't do it either. Plus, my body won't be able to handle it after sleeping like that for a few days." He hadn't wanted to get involved at first, but if they didn't discuss this with the production team and instead let Jodie decide that they would sleep on these bare wooden boards for three weeks, who could endure it?

This wasn't about being pretentious or enduring hardship. It was simply unrealistic, and there was no need for it.

Jodie didn't expect her words to provoke discontent among the others. She cursed Simone inwardly for intentionally stirring things up. Her eyes welled up with tears, and she bit her lip, saying, "Sorry, I forgot to consider the bedding just now." Then, she explained, "What I meant was, even if there are no wardrobes or desks, if the male guests can stay here, we female guests can do it too. That's what caused the misunderstanding." Raised as a wealthy heiress in the Gray Family, she had servants who changed and cleaned her bedclothes, so she never thought to consider the bedding issue.

Seeing her like this, Aaron felt sorry for her and comforted her. "You grew up pampered, so it's normal not to think about these things."

Simone looked at Jodie and said, "I didn't say anything just now, did I? But your eyes have welled up with tears, making it seem like I bullied you. I was just being honest, so please don't play the victim card on me again."

Back in the Gray Family, Jodie would often play the victim card on her like this; after just a few words from Simone, Jodie's eyes would well up with tears as if she had been bullied. In reality, Simone hadn't done anything at all. However, even with the entire Gray Family present, they would blame her without any reason, assuming she couldn't tolerate and thus mistreated their dear Jo...

Now that Jodie was resorting to the same old trick again, Simone had to point it out intentionally. Of course, once Jodie's actual relationship with Aaron came to light in the future, her 'playing the victim card again' would be exposed for sure.

Simone had planned from the beginning how to set traps for Aaron and Jodie continuously. Of course, these two had only themselves to blame for being relentless and picking fights with her. They wouldn't have fallen into these traps if they had stayed quiet without causing trouble on the variety show. As for the backlash, she didn't care about it; after all, these two's fans had always been critical of her. The more criticism she faced now, the more the tide would turn in her favor in the future.

Indeed, at that moment, Aaron and Jodie's fans were criticizing Simone in the live chat. One of them commented, 'Isn't this goody two shoes going too far? She's bullying our little fairy.'

Another agreed. 'That's right! She's made our little fairy almost cry.'

Another commented, 'She grew up pampered, so it's normal for her not to pay attention to these things. Does Simone have to keep picking on her?'

'Simone is so shameless! Who is she to say she won't cater to Aero and the little fairy? She isn't even worthy of that!'

'I feel like she's intentionally picking on Aero and his sister. She's so annoying.'

'She must have tried to seduce Aero without success. That's why she became jealous and intentionally targeted the little fairy.'

'It saddens me to see my little fairy on the verge of tears due to bullying.'

'Exactly! Simone is so malicious.'

Simone's fans were left speechless when they saw how Aaron and Jodie's fans insulted her. One of them responded, 'What right does your little fairy have to speak for all the guests?'

Another agreed. 'Exactly! You guys are the ones with an inflated ego here.'

'Simone is simply stating the truth. How is that bullying the little fairy?'

'There's nothing wrong with this wooden bed! It's impossible to sleep on in the first place, so how is Simone finding fault with her?'

Unfortunately, Simone's fan base was much smaller than Aaron and Jodie's, so a barrage of insulting comments soon drowned out their voices.

Upon seeing the situation, Zac's fans could not tolerate it any longer. One commented, 'Your little fairy is the goody two shoes here, okay?'

'I think that little fairy is a hypocrite. She previously implied that Simone couldn't handle difficulties, then pretended to be hurt and pitiful when she was in the wrong.'

'Growing up being pampered is not an excuse to avoid responsibilities, okay?'

'That's right! Who didn't grow up being pampered by their family?'

'Simone was speaking the truth, and her tone and actions were not excessive. How is that bullying?'

'It's actually Jodie who has been a pretentious troublemaker since the beginning of the live stream.'

'The fans of the Gray siblings are just like the people they idolize—pretentious and hold double standards.'

'Simone is right. Isn't this hypocrite playing the victim right now? She just tried to pull the same trick on Zachy.'

'Still referring to her as a little fairy, huh? What a laughable public image.'

'Compared to this pretentious little fairy, I prefer Simone. This beautiful young lady is genuine and straightforward.'

Zac's fan base was much larger than Aaron and Jodie's combined. Moreover, his fans were even more sharp-tongued and perceptive, quickly leaving the other party speechless.

As the live chat turned into a heated argument, the atmosphere in the courtyard also became tense.