

## **Game Over 211**

### Chapter 211 Elizabeth Is Here

With their arms linked, they walked into the hotel, where the staff led them to the banquet hall on the first floor.

Instead of the bride and groom, the Wade Family welcomed the guests at the entrance.

Celine and Richard were welcoming the guests at the entrance. As everyone knew Matthew's parents were not around

anymore, they could understand why there was no one from the Hilton family to welcome the guests.

Richard, dressed in a silver-gray suit, seemed lively with a broad smile. One could tell he was genuinely happy.

Meanwhile, Celine wore a long white evening gown and gorgeous makeup, making her look elegant.

When they saw Elizabeth, their face fell.

In a cold voice, Richard uttered, "She didn't show up when we asked her to come over for gown fitting So, that's because

she's attending the event with someone else."

With a sneer, Celine said, "Darling, both of your daughters are so capable. Tia is marrying the head of the most influential

family in Mistwood, while Lazy will be marrying into the second most powerful family."

As Richard glanced coldly at Dominic and Elizabeth at the front, Dominic walked up to them and said calmly, "Mr. Wade,

Mrs. Wade, congratulations"

Although Celine and Richard were not fond of Elizabeth, they would still show respect for Richard.

"Mr. Campbell, this way, please. Your parents are inside. Do you need my help to show you where they are?"

Nodding slightly, Dominic answered, "No. I am here with my girlfriend today"

He implied he was not ready to let Elizabeth meet his parents.

Holding Dominic's hands, Elizabeth stood by his side gracefully and stunningly.

After they entered the banquet hall, Celine let out a sigh.

"Darling, Lizzy is not willing to tell us anything at all. I guess she doesn't see us as her family anymore."

Old Mr. Wade should see this to realize what kind of person his precious granddaughter is.

Richard's gaze darkened as he muttered, "There's no way she could marry into the Campbell family."

She has three children, and yet she wants to marry into the Campbell family. In her dreams.

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Seeing Richard siding with her now, Celine thought Elizabeth wouldn't pose as a thrent even after she returned to the

Wade residence.

After Elizabeth followed Dominic into the banquet hall, the usher led them to their seats.

Nicolas and Leonard, who came to attend the event, stood at the lounge entrance on the second floor, seemingly chatting

with each other.

Suddenly, Nicolas pointed at Elizabeth and Dominic, who walked to their seats with their arms linked.

Narrowing his eyes, Nicolas said, "Look, Luke. Lizzy is here and has also brought a male companion. I'm telling Matt."

Looking down the stairs, Leonard saw Elizabeth and thought of that woman.

As it had been days since he last saw her, he was surprised he missed her.

He grinned, stood straight, and walked into the lounge behind him

Matthew, who was dressed in a black suit and sitting on the couch, brought the cigarelle between his fingers to his lips

from time to time

He didn't seem like someone getting engaged, but he seemed as if he was about to go to war.

Sitting beside him, Nicolas picked up a glass of wine and slowly took a sip.

“Matt, Lizzy is here too

When Matthew heard his words, his eyes sparkled before he glanced at them.

“What is she doing here? I did not send her an invitation.”

That dumb woman. Does she enjoy seeing me getting engaged to another woman?

Matthew’s tone was cold and terrifying while the temperature in the room slightly dropped.

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Nicolas clutched the wine glass elegantly while swirling the wine gently.

“I bet she came with Dominic. She is his female companion for today. Lizzy looks so beautiful, and the gown suits her

perfectly.”

Then, Matthew rose to his feet and strode out of the lounge.

Leonard grinned and stated, “Matt, the bride has been waiting for you at the lounge on the first floor all this time, but I don’t see you getting so worked up.”

How could he? He just can’t wait to dash to Lizzy’s side when he hears she is here.

After exchanging looks, Nicolas and Leonard smiled and followed Matthew out of the lounge.

Matthew stood near the stairwell railing and glanced down to look for Elizabeth’s silhouette.

## Chapter 212 Greedy For Money

Meanwhile, Elizabeth sat at the table in the banquet hall. Dominic, who sat close to her, picked up a piece of fruit with a

fork and fed it to her.

Elizabeth was taken aback as she tilted her head back before eating the fruit he offered.

“Dominic, I can do it myself.”

They had been photographed countless times along the way from the entrance to the banquet hall. He made it seem like

something was going on between them by sitting close to her and feeding her fruits intimately.

Besides, she could already sense an intent gaze on her, making her feel a chill running down her back.

However, after glancing around, she did not spot anyone staring at her.

The gaze was familiar, but cold and terrifying

When Dominic saw her blushing, he flashed her a faint smile with his lips quirked up.

“I am willing to serve you.”

With that, Elizabeth chuckled. A genuine, happy smile spread across her face.

Matthew’s face fell when he saw her smiling face.

On the contrary, Nicolas watched delightedly and exclaimed, "Matt, Lizzy knows how to seek revenge after all! Haha!"

That woman usually seems like a person who is generous and doesn't hold grudges. I did not expect that she would show

up with another man at Matt's engagement party and be so intimate with the man. Now that I see them, they look

great

together, like a match made in heaven.

Matthew turned around and leaned against the railing as he could no longer watch.

Leonard smiled and said, "Matt, why don't you elope with her? That seems so cool."

After gently tapping the railing with his long fingers, Matthew took out his phone and sent a message.

He texted Esme: Make Dominic stay away from Elizabeth.

He sent the text to Esme, who was welcoming the guests on Matthew's behalf at the lobby. When Esme saw the message on his phone, his expression slightly changed.

As Matthew had given him a difficult task, he had no choice but to have Gracie and the rest welcome the guests.

Almost every employee in the company had arrived. Those who worked in the CEO's office were close to Matthew, and they were busy attending to the guests with Esme.

stage.

Esme entered the banquet hall and searched around before he spotted Elizabeth sitting at the second table near the

After walking up to Elizabeth, he leaned closer to her ears and stated, “Ms. Wade, everyone from the CEO’s office is

helping out. Why are you sitting here? Please follow me and help us out.”

In fact, Esme dared not ask Elizabeth to do anything and only wanted her to try the dishes in the lounge backstage.

This should be a good excuse. Besides, I can only think of this idea at the moment.

Elizabeth glanced at Dominic at the side before asking, “Mr. Mack, I did not receive such a notice! Do I get paid for

working overtime?”

As she cared more about the money, she was willing to do it if she would get paid.

I could save up more in the next month. By saving up monthly, I might be able to buy a small house after some time. By then, our family will have a proper home. I never feel safe staying in a rented house. Who knows when the landlord will decide. to use the house for herself? By then, I will have to look for a new place to stay. Besides, a home is essential for the children’s childhood, and I wish to provide them with a permanent home that will remain in their childhood memories.

Esme frowned slightly. What’s wrong with Ms. Wade? Why is she responding this way? Her man is getting engaged to another woman and will be taken away from her soon. How could she not mind it at all?

At the thought of it, Esme felt sorry for Matthew. Does Ms. Wade have no feelings for Mr. Hilton after all? Could it be a

one-sided love? What a pity!

“Of course, you will get paid five times the wage.

When Elizabeth heard his words, she stood up immediately.

“I’ll go then.”

After turning around to look at Dominic at the side, she flashed him a sneaky smile.

“Dominic, I’m sorry. I am Mr. Hilton’s secretary and still have work to do. I’ll be back to accompany you after I finish

working.”

After finishing her words, she was about to leave happily to earn some money when Dominic suddenly grabbed her hand.

Chapter 213 Saving Up For A House

Due to her money-grubbing personality, Elizabeth insisted on taking up this job anyway, since she would be paid five

times as much for her overtime work.

guy

She patted Dominic’s hand and said, “I’ll be back real soon. Just stay here and wait for me.”



She then withdrew her hand and followed Esme away

The man upstairs stared at the man below who had grasped Elizabeth's hand as his eyes darkened.

After all, men would understand other men better. Matthew was very well aware that Dominic liked Elizabeth very much.

As he had not appeared in her life before that, Dominic was able to get closer to her.

However, now that he was there for her, Matthew would not give Dominic the chance to do so anymore.

Nicolas watched as Elizabeth followed Esme away and felt disinterested after that.

"Malt, you're just too mean to her. Since you're already engaged to another woman, can't you just let Lizzy date another

too?"

Regardless of how odd his words sounded, it was natural and right for Elizabeth to date someone else if Matthew got

engaged to a woman.

Matthew replied coldly, "I didn't get engaged willingly. Moreover, the engagement will be annulled later."

With that, he strode away leisurely and entered the lounge.

Leonard patted Nicolas's shoulder and said, "Unlike you, Matt's a very faithful guy. The engagement party was clearly a

show put up by him for the others to see. Deep in his heart, Matt only has feelings for one girl alone."

Nicolas was perplexed. "He's already a powerful figure now, so why can't he make decisions about his marriage for

himself?"

In his mind, Nicolas thought Matthew was someone who could do anything that he wanted without a care in the world.

Since he's usually unafraid of any threats, why is Matt behaving so strangely this time?

Leonard raised his eyebrows and smiled. "I'm sure it's because of Hector. Since his health is getting worse, only he can

make Matt give in."

Nicolas nodded his head slightly. "You're right."

Both of them then entered the lounge together. At that time, Matthew seemed to be in a better mood as he held his

wineglass, sipping the wine in it.

Shortly after, the door was pushed open. It was Elizabeth and Esme who entered the lounge.

The waiter then came into the room, serving them the dishes that were supposed to be served for the wedding reception.

Esme smiled gently and said, "Ms. Wade, you can stay here and sample the dishes with Mr. Hilton. Feel free to make a list

of any dishes that do not appeal to you."

A look of surprise flashed through Elizabeth's eyes as she looked at the handsome man.

Undeniably, Matthew looks exceptionally handsome today. Looks like he's in good spirits these days.

As Elizabeth sat at the table, she picked up her fork and asked, "Would you like to have a taste as well, gentlemen?"

After all, she felt embarrassed having to sample the dishes by herself.

Before this, Elizabeth truly had no idea there was a job that offered lavish and sumptuous food while earning five times

the usual wage. It was indeed the best job she could have ever imagined.

However, Nicolas merely waved his hand dismissively as he smiled faintly.

"Help yourself then. We're not hungry yet."

Upon hearing his words, Elizabeth decided to go ahead and picked up her fork to taste the first dish. As soon as she ate it,

her eyes narrowed instantly. It was so delicious that she could not find any fault with it.

Leonard furrowed his eyebrows. So Elizabeth doesn't have any feelings for Matt. She seems so happy while tasting those

dishes. I don't see any signs of her feeling heartbroken at all,

Calmly sipping his wine, Leonard sighed inwardly. Matt is such a pitiful person.

Meanwhile, Matthew stared at Elizabeth, who was happily munching away. She's really enjoying her food,

Hence, he said in a nonchalant voice, "Feed me a bite of that, Elizabeth."

Just then, Elizabeth lifted her head, frowning slightly at his words.

"Which dish would you like to have, Mr. Hilton? They're all quite delicious. Let me serve some onto your plate."

With five times more than the average wage offered to her, Elizabeth definitely had to do anything in order to please her

boss!

Matthew's eyes darkened slightly "Anything's fine. Just feed me whatever that you think is delicious."

As he spoke, Matthew emphasized the words "feed me" as his stares became more and more intense and affectionate.

Elizabeth then picked up some of the dishes she had just tasted. Despite her displeasure, Elizabeth approached Matthew,

who was sitting like a big boss and resting his arms on the armrest of the couch.

He stared at her deeply with his dark eyes, waiting for her to serve him.

#### Chapter 214 The Bride Appears

She felt somewhat displeased, for she felt as if she was his maid at that moment.

However, Elizabeth had to suppress her discontent as the thought of earning more money came to her mind. She needed

to earn money quickly, so she could buy a house of her own as soon as possible.

With that thought in her mind, a smile flitted across her face as she carefully delivered the food to his mouth.

Matthew then opened his mouth and ate the food.

As he chewed on the food, Matthew's gaze became even more unfathomable while he stared at her.

Elizabeth was considered a mentally strong person. If it were for someone else, they would not have been able to withstand his intense gaze.

Nicolas laughed. "You're being treated like a king now, Matt!"

While she fed him some of the other dishes, Elizabeth remarked, "Mr. Ferguson, since Mr. Hilton offered me five times more than the usual wage for just sampling the dishes, I would certainly treat him like a king now.

With that, she approached Matthew and winked at him.

"Is there anything else you'd like to eat, Your Majesty? I'll be glad to feed it to you."

Elizabeth felt a bit disgusted after saying such words herself.

However, she wanted to be as pretentious as possible in order to disgust or annoy them as much as she could.

Upon hearing her words, Leonard spat out a mouthful of wine. He quickly pulled out the handkerchief from his pocket

and wiped his mouth.

“I was only choked by the wine. This is some strong wine indeed! Please carry on. Just pretend that I’m not here.”

Matthew was very offended by Leonard’s sudden actions. He glared at Leonard coldly, sending shivers down the latter’s

spine.

Leonard rolled his eyes at him. That punk sure is happy right now, since he’s being served like a king by the woman he loves. He obviously doesn’t want to be bothered at the moment.

In the meantime, Nicolas was tempted to pull out his phone to take a picture of Matthew enjoying himself.

However, he dared not try to do so. Instead, he could only observe silently with his own eyes.

gown

Just then, the lounge’s door was pushed open again. Tiana entered the room while carrying the hem of her bright red

“Matthew, the banquet’s about to start soon. We have to head downstairs and get ready for it.”

Her voice was filled with joy as she spoke. But when she saw Elizabeth feeding Matthew, she stood frozen on the spot,

looking dumbfounded.

Behind Tiana were a few of her cousins, as well as some socialite friends from the upper echelons of society.

While her expression changed suddenly, Nicolette noticed that Elizabeth was in the room and ran over to her cheerfully.

“Lizzy! You’re here too?”

Elizabeth glanced at Nicolette and replied. “Yes. You look beautiful today, Nic!”

All the girls in the Wade family wore the same dress that day as they accompanied Tiana. It was obvious that this was

Celine’s idea.

For now, no one in the Wade family dared to go against Celine’s opinions anymore. Furthermore, the Wade family members wanted their own daughters to attend the banquet in hopes of having them marry into a wealthy and reputable

family

Meanwhile, Rachele smiled faintly and added, “Tiana, Lizzy’s waiting on your soon-to-be husband!”

Tiana merely pursed her lips and replied, "She is currently Matthew's secretary, so this is actually a part of her job. There

is no need to make a fuss over it, since she will also be serving me in the future as well."

She spoke so loudly that everyone in the room heard her words.

The socialites who were behind Tiana also heard her remarks, and they considered Elizabeth as a mere servant as well.

At the same time, Elizabeth continued to feed Matthew Frustrated by Tiana's words, Elizabeth then took a large piece of

roast turkey meat and shoved it into Matthew's mouth.

Matthew, who was still enjoying being fed by Elizabeth, was shocked by her actions. He then chewed with all his might. Ist

she trying to choke me to death? This piece of meat is so huge that it is stretching my mouth out of shape!

Elizabeth could only raise her brows, signaling to him that she felt apologetic as the piece of roast turkey meat was indeed

a large chunk of meat.

Tiana then came up to Matthew and sat next to him. She then reached out to hug his arm and said coyly, "You sure know

how to enjoy while you let your secretary feed you! I'm famished too! I want to eat some of what you're having as well. Can I



get her to feed me as well?”

After that, Tiana turned to look at Elizabeth and said, “Ms. Wade, be careful when you feed me. Don’t mess up my lipstick, okay? If you do a good job in feeding me, I’ll let Mr. Hilton give you a raise.”

. Even though Elizabeth valued money a lot at first, she did not appreciate the money that came from Tiana instead.

Chapter 215 Something Happened

The two socialites who came in together looked at each other. They felt pity looking at Elizabeth.

Elizabeth used to be famous among the socialites, but she ended up like that.

The two couldn’t help but look at her with pity.

Suddenly, one of the ladies gave the other girl a gentle nudge and said, “Adeline, look at that necklace. Didn’t your brother

show you the photo of it?”

The girl named Adeline looked at it seriously a few times and then nodded at her friend.

“Denise, it’s that necklace! My brother said someone bought it for one hundred and fifty million.”

Denise’s

s eyes

widened. “Wow, then she...”

The two ladies didn't dare to belittle Elizabeth anymore because they felt that her identity must be extraordinary.

After hearing what Tiana said, Elizabeth replied flatly, "Ms. Wade, I'm so sorry I only serve Mr. Hilton "

After saying that, she walked to the dining table and took some dishes. She tasted them first and chose a few dishes of her liking before taking them to Matthew and feeding him.

Of course, Matthew wouldn't refuse, However, Tiana who was sitting next to Matthew became more and more annoyed. She kept glaring at Elizabeth.

Nonetheless, Elizabeth didn't care. Her purpose was to earn money that day.

In the lounge, the woman in a beautiful purple gown walked here and there.

She walked gracefully and looked extremely beautiful.

All the people inside were attracted to her. Their eyes couldn't help following her

Right then, a waiter came in with two boxes and said, "Mr. Hilton, someone sent you an engagement gift"

Meanwhile, Elizabeth continued to sit at the table and try the dishes. After all, others could only see but not eat. Hence,

she thought her job was not bad.

Matthew glanced at the two boxes and had no idea who would send him gifts. He said gently, "Open them up."

The waiter opened the boxes, and two white wreaths appeared in front of everyone.

Tiana's eyes suddenly lit up. "Who sent this?" she asked.

It was her engagement day with Matthew. Although it was not their wedding yet, it was still an auspicious day. She

wondered who would send them such inappropriate gifts.

However, Matthew felt nothing at all. With his current status, it was not surprising that many people wanted to suppress him and get rid of him.

Hence, he didn't take the matter to heart at all.

However, Tiana was not happy. "Matthew, you must find out who did this. How can we see something like this on our big

day? It's a bad omen.

Although everyone in the lounge was surprised, Nicolas and Leonard were not astonished at all. After all, they were savvy and had seen a lot of things. Something like that was not even worth mentioning

Upon seeing the wreaths, Elizabeth merely raised her eyebrows and continued to try the next dish.

It was something that she expected too. An engagement party hosted by someone like Matthew would definitely make many people jealous of him. Therefore, it was not surprising that some people would send something like that to him to upset him on his big day

Suddenly, she felt that it was not easy to be an influential figure like Matthew.

"Why are you worrying so much? It's considerate of them not to send any bombs to us today."

Hearing the word “bombs,” Tiana, her two cousins, and the two socialites were all shocked. A hint of fear flashed across

their eyes.

Tiana couldn’t help but purse her lips. She asked, “What? Would someone send bombs to our engagement party?”

She had never thought that Matthew’s woman would need to go through such ordeals.

Arching one of his eyebrows slightly, Matthew said, “If you want to be my woman, you’ll have to go through all this. If you

can’t take it, it’s better to call off the engagement.”

Looking at Tiana’s pale face, Elizabeth thought she had made the right choice to attend the event, for she had just

witnessed a good show.

She couldn’t exact vengeance on her own. Nonetheless, she was happy to see her enemy being overwhelmed by fears and

threats.

Tiana stammered, “Matthew, I didn’t mean that. I just didn’t expect that...”

Matthew lit a cigarette, and the blue flame flickered. He put the cigarette near his mouth and took a deep drag

“Get rid of the wreaths now!” he commanded.

His voice was cold and emotionless.

Suddenly, Elizabeth's phone rang, and she answered it quickly

"Ms. Elliott"

"Lizzy, bad news. Something happened. A group of people rushed into the house and took Abby away. They want you to bring the money to them."

Chapter 216 Did He Want To Piss Me Off

Elizabeth dropped the fork. "What? How could this happen?"

She stood up and walked at a fast pace,

"Ms Elliott, call the police now."

"Lizzy, did you borrow money from Josh's company? They said that if you call the police, Abby will not be able to come

home."

Hearing that, Elizabeth suddenly remembered.

It's that five hundred thousand! It's been three days, but Jessica hasn't sold the house yet. What should I do?

"Where are Antony and Arthur? Aren't they around?"

If Antony and Arthur happened to be around, there was no way those people could take Abby away. Each of them was a

black belt in taekwondo. In fact, she had only been able to become a black belt after being trained by them.

“Lizzy, they went out just now. That’s why those people could take Abby away.”

Cody cried as she spoke. Never in her entire life had she come across such a terrifying scene. It was really frightening.

Those violent people had also smashed almost all the things in the house.

Those men looked so fierce and vicious. It was heartbreaking for her to see Abby cry so desperately

Elizabeth pursed her lips and said, “Ms. Elliott, don’t worry. I’ll head home right away.”

However, her tears couldn’t help falling when she ended the call. She quickly raised her hand and wiped them

As soon as she reached out her hand to open the door, someone grabbed her hand.

“What happened?”

Matthew looked deeply into her eyes. When he saw her tears, he felt a tug at his heartstrings.

Elizabeth turned to look at the people in the lounge and shook her head.

“Mr. Hilton, I’ve tried the dishes. There is no problem with all the dishes. I’ve finished my work. I’m sorry, but I have to

leave now.

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Elizabeth withdrew her hand, opened the door, and left in a hurry.

Matthew frowned and felt that something was wrong with her.

He took out his phone and dialed a number.

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goes. Text me from time to time

After hanging up the phone, he held the phone tightly. What happened to that woman again? Why was she crying?

However, he was upset when she refused to tell him what had happened

Right then. Tiana approached him and said. It's about time. Matthew Let's go downstairs."

It was not until then that Matthew came to his senses. He nodded slightly and went downstairs with his companions

At that time, the emcee had started his opening speech on

ready too

age. Both the Hilton family and the Wade fi

Hector was also in the hall. He wore a suit that da and and high-spirited.

Chelsea was wearing a dark red dress. looking noble and elegant

She stood beside Hector and took a glance at him

“Hector, are you happy today?”

Hector looks good today. I guess he can recover faster now that he has gotten

he wants

Chelsea also hoped that Hector would recover soon and not leave her alone.

Nonetheless, Hector kept staring at the two little boys who were standing not far away. They were wearing the same little

black suit, and their hair was styled. They looked very handsome

The more Hector looked at them, the more he felt that they looked like Matthew Six years ago, he had let Matthew and

Elizabeth have children first before they married

At that time, he was afraid that Matthew would object to the idea. That was why he had made such arrangements.



Never had Hector expected that things would turn out that way. His great-grandsons were right in front of him. However,

he could

word about it, nor could he tell the others

He was getting impatient.

He raised his head to look at the stage where the wedding photos of Matthew and Tiana were playing on the screen

Those photos were photoshopped Matthew was not in the mood to take any wedding photos with Tiana at all.

However, Tiana wanted to take wedding photos with Matthew badly In fact, she wanted to spend more time with Matthew

so that she could get closer to him.

Matthew didn't give her any chance. In the end, the wedding company could only photoshop a few photos and use them on the engaged couple's big day.

Hector raised his hand and patted his leg. He didn't understand why Matthew didn't want to marry Elizabeth. Why did insist on marrying Tiana? Did he want to piss me off?

The more anxious he was, the more helpless he felt. He could only keep patting his leg.

Chapter 217 Canceling The Engagement

When Hector slapped his thighs, Chelsea shot him a glance and asked, "Hector, what's wrong?"

Seeing that the old man did not stop hitting his own thighs, Chelsea was scared out of her wits.

“Help, where’s the doctor?” she yelled.

Shortly after, they moved to the lounge and could no longer be bothered with any ceremonies,

Chelsea had initially wanted to go on stage, yet now, she had given up the thought. She only wanted Hector to be fine.

Tiana stood next to Matthew, waiting for the emcee to announce their names so that they could go on stage.

Never in her life had she felt so nervous. She kept taking deep breaths

Although she was not getting married on this day, she would officially carry Matthew’s last name after the day was over. The man would belong to her, and she would become the envy of every woman.

Moreover, she would also become the leading lady of the Wade family, and no one would dare to snatch her position away. The more she thought about this, the calmer she became

I can’t embarrass myself later I absolutely can’t.

live

The emcee said excitedly. “Let us invite the future bridal couple on stage!”

Matthew strode onto the stage as Tiana followed hurriedly behind. Suddenly, she twisted her ankle and almost fell

Rachelle helped Tiana up and said, “Tiana, be careful.”

“I know,” replied Tiana in an icy tone.

She lifted her dress, raised her chin, then walked onto the stage proudly.

The couple’s appearance made everyone cheer and clap in delight

The reporters’ cameras were facing both of them directly while live-streaming the ceremony to the public.

The engagement ceremony was a pivotal event in Mistwood Thus, everyone was looking forward to it, eager to witness it

Standing beside Matthew, Tiana looked at his handsome face. However, on such an occasion, Matthew was not afraid at all. His strong aura was enough to intimidate everyone.

She pursed her lips. I’ll make this powerful man submit to me. I’ll also make him fall in love with me and treat me as his

one and only

While the emcee was introducing the couple, Matthew’s expression was darkened slightly. At that moment, the phone in

his pocket rang

At first, he refused to pick it up. Yet, when he saw that it was the subordinate who followed after Elizabeth, he answered the call, pretending as if no one was around.

“What is it?” he asked.

“Mr. Hilton, Ms. Wade got into a van, but we didn’t manage to stop it. I heard from Cody that the loan sharks wanted to collect a debt, so they kidnapped Abby Ms. Wade is cooperating with them because she wants to rescue her daughter,” said the voice over the phone.

Matthew’s face fell after he heard what his subordinate said. He instructed, “Check their whereabouts. I’ll be there right

away”

Hanging up the phone, Matthew took the microphone from the emcee and said, “The engagement has been canceled. Everyone can stay and feast. Enjoy your meal”

With that, he walked off the stage Tiana was stunned. She then quickly came back to her senses and went after him.

“Matthew, why did you cancel the engagement?” she asked.

She was unable to maintain her composure. All the guests are here. This day should’ve been my most glorious day. How did it end up like this? There’s no way I’ll let him leave; I just can’t

She then quickened her pace, trying to grab Matthew’s hand.

However, the footsteps he took were huge, so Tiana failed to catch up to him. On top of that, her high heels were too tall. She accidentally twisted her ankle and fell on the stage.

“Matthew...” she called out to him miserably while stretching her arm out in the direction he was leaving.

Unfortunately, the man did not stop. He left the ballroom with no hesitation.

Tears rolled down Tiann’s face. She looked downright pathetic at that moment.

Celine swiftly got on the stage and helped her daughter up. "Tia, are you injured?"

She examined Tiana's body briefly and saw that her daughter's expression was gloomy and grim. Yet, right then, not a

single

person was willing to step forward to give them a hand.

Only Celine, a mother who truly loved her daughter, would reach out to Tiana.

The latter plunged into her mother's embrace and asked, "Mom, what do I do? He doesn't want to get engaged anymore."

Despite knowing that the relationship between them was fake and was merely a deal, she was willing to devote herself to it

Hence, she did not understand why Matthew could not hold out a little longer.

Chapter 218 Rescue My Daughter

Stroking Tiana's back gently, Celine said, "Tia, your father and I won't let Matthew off easily. Our daughter is not a pushover. We'll make him pay for this"

Tiana cried so hard that her makeup was smudged. She looked at the guests below the stage.

Happiness was written all over their faces as they ate with great relish.

They're really ruthless Can't they see that I'm so upset? It seems like they're all here to have a good laugh at me. She bit her lip and swore in her mind. I must win Matthew over By then, this will serve as a slap in everyone's faces.

She believed that she was Matthew's legitimate wife and that she was the only one who was worthy of him.

Meanwhile, after Elizabeth got into the van, the few men stared at her lasciviously. Every now and then, they would glimpse at her chest as well as her dress which had a high slit.

She blocked their view with her hand as her eyes dimmed.

I was in such a rush just now that I didn't even have time to change my clothes. Later, I have to change them. If not, it will be inconvenient to save Abby in this dress.

One of the men rubbed his chin and said, "Eugene, this woman looks really gorgeous. I've never seen a woman this beautiful. I wonder what she'd taste like."

The man next to him elbowed him and said, "They only want money. It's better if you don't touch her."

Feeling somewhat disappointed, the chubby man said, "The task is completed as soon as we receive the money. Whatever happens next has got nothing to do with them. I want to get a taste of her."

With his eyes narrowed, Eugene said, "Sure. We'll see how it goes when we get the money)

She clenched her fists slightly upon hearing those bastards' words. She was itching to punch them.

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Ever since she injured someone, she had stopped using violence. However, on this day, she could barely hold herself

Yet, when she thought of Abby, she forced herself to keep calm and only deal with the men after rescuing her daughter.

After a ride that took more than an hour, the van finally stopped.

Elizabeth asked, "Mister, do you have spare clothes? Can you lend me a set? It's too cold outside. I'll freeze to death if I go

out like this."

She was in such a great hurry when she returned that she forgot to grab her coat. She just got directly into her car. Then,

when she arrived home, she did not enter the house as well. She got into their van straight away.

If she got off the vehicle now, she would be frozen to death.

After all, it was late winter at that moment. The temperature outside was merely around one to two degrees.

Eugene glanced at Elizabeth indifferently and got off the car. He walked to the trunk, took out a filthy military coat, and then threw it at her. "Get out of the car once you've put it on "

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Swiftly putting on the coat, Elizabeth thought that it was good enough to keep herself warm despite looking a little unsightly.

She tore off the edges of her dress, threw them away, and then buttoned up her coat.

The length of the coat was just right as it reached her ankle. Lowering her head, she noticed that her high heels were already gone. She believed that she might have lost them when she left the house earlier. Now, she could only go barefoot. Her toes curled up slightly.

She could already imagine the feeling of stepping on the icy ground. However, these worries were unimportant to her at such a crucial moment.

Her priority was to go to Abby's side and comfort her, telling her not to be afraid.

Elizabeth proceeded to get off the vehicle. When her feet touched the ground, the bitter chill in the air bit at her soles as her heart skipped a beat.

Without hesitation, she followed the two men into the dilapidated residential building.

The stairs were dark and mucky, and the walls were covered with numerous advertisement flyers, such as locksmiths, curing various diseases, and job hiring

Climbing onto the first flight of stairs and seeing the lights of the corridor come on, Elizabeth scanned the contents of the advertisement flyers.

Eugene turned around and glanced at her. "If you want to see your daughter, you'd better move quick. Don't get lost."

Elizabeth retracted her gaze and scurried her way upstairs, following him closely.

As they arrived on the sixth floor, they knocked on one of the iron doors. Just as it was pushed open from inside, someone came out and asked, "Did you bring her?"

The chubby man pointed at Elizabeth and answered, "That's the child's mother."

"Are you sure? You'd better not lead any cops here."

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Elizabeth fished out her ID card from her purse. "I have my ID with me, and I've previously signed a contract with you before. They should be proof that I'm the child's mother, so please let me see her."

The man eyed her, then the ID card in her hand, only proceeding to open the door once he ascertained that she was the same person on the card.

The thick, acrid cigarette smoke hovering in the air caused her to erupt in a coughing fit, and a few men were drinking and swinging fists at each other.

"Samuel, the indebted woman is here."

A man seated at the head of the table with a glass of alcohol glanced over.

Before Elizabeth came upstairs, she had deliberately ruined her makeup to appear less desirable.

Smudges of mascara rimmed her eyes like a panda, and she smeared bright red lipstick sloppily across her lips, giving her the appearance of an insane grin.

He quickly averted his gaze, clearly dismissing her without a second thought.

"Take your daughter and leave after paying your debt," he said coldly. A scar tugged his face as he spoke, making others feel slightly uncomfortable at the sight of that

Elizabeth slid the card to him. "The money's all there. You can swipe it, or I can transfer it to you."

She didn't want to use this card at first, knowing the five hundred thousand inside was from her grandpa.

She didn't want to use it; she couldn't.

Today was the exception. Abby was in their hands, and Elizabeth needed to save her

Pride and honor be damned. It wouldn't matter anyway if she lost Abby.

Samuel signaled for his subordinate to swipe the card while she stood in place guardedly. It was her first time observing the men's vulgar conversation and swearing while drinking.

Some affluent individuals were handsome and suave like Matthew, as well as men from the seedy underworld-odorous, filthy, vicious men with foul tempers.

Her grip tightened convulsively around her bag, and she silently thanked her lucky stars that she had streaked her

makeup beforehand.

Otherwise, those men would have devoured her alive. Leaving an impression on them could mean certain death for her.

Eugene and a burly man were among the men sitting at the bar table drinking. They were red-faced drunk from galing

alcohol while gorging on a plate of meat. Their voices overlapped each other until they were a muddle of noise.

Elizabeth cast a sidelong glance at the room where the subordinate had disappeared, puzzled as to why it took so long.

She wanted to pay up and leave as soon as possible with Abby. It was not a good idea to stay in the company of a bunch of drunken men.

Her eyes darting to the door betrayed her growing anxiety.

Suddenly, a woman in a skin-tight red dress sauntered out. “The money is insufficient, Samuel!”

He locked his lethal gaze on Elizabeth. “Are you toying with us, Ms. Wade, by attempting to pay the ransom with insufficient money?”

Elizabeth hastily clarified, “There should be five hundred thousand inside, which is the principal amount. I’ll interest tomorrow, okay?”

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The events were too precipitated tonight, and she didn’t have time to look for Jessica. Hence, she only had five hundred thousand on hand and was hoping they would accommodate her.

They didn’t have to worry she would shirk payment since she had paid the principal amount.

Samuel barked a laugh. “Ms. Wade, what makes you think we’d make an exception for you?”

The woman beside him slung an arm around his neck and snickered.

“Let me do the math for you, Ms. Wade. You borrowed five hundred thousand and failed to pay it back within a month. As a result, you owe five hundred fifty thousand. Now you have deferred payment another month, and your debt has snowballed to another hundred thousand. Do you understand the concept of compound interest? Yours has accumulated to a total of two million.”

Elizabeth’s eyes widened comically. “Two million?”

“That’s correct. More accurately, it’s two million two hundred thirty thousand today. Tomorrow’s figure will be different.”

“This is daylight robbery! How could you tally like that?” Elizabeth fumed.

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That sparked a loud laugh out of everyone, and the woman chuckled seductively. "Are you just learning about this, Ms.

Wade?"

There seems to be no difference between high-interest loans and robbery, yet people still fall for it, namely me

Panic flashed in her eyes as everyone roared in evil laughter. What should I do now?

She blinked. I need to see Abby first

"I'll repay my debt, Samuel, but could you please let me see my daughter? I'll call my friend to bring the rest of the money. once I've made sure she's safe."

"Your friend? Can we trust her?"

Samuel sipped his drink and leveled a dark gaze on Elizabeth, thinking she was aggravating for knowing the terms and conditions when she agreed to borrow the money but was refusing to pay it back now

She raised her right hand like a boy scout "I swear that I'd pay this debt that my friend had incurred to cover her hospital bills. She's currently in the process of selling her house and will be able to pay off the loan once the sale goes through. I only need to make one phone call to her, and she will get the money here," she uttered breezily, but a cold sweat broke out along her

spine.

Elizabeth didn't know if Jessica had managed to sell her house. Even if she did, the sale might not have amounted to two

million

The more Elizabeth racked her brain over this, the more exasperated she felt at being duped out of so much money.

This is pissing me off. There's nothing I can do after saving Abby except to make up for this huge loss.

Samuel could see Elizabeth was sincere and turned to the woman beside him "Follow her and listen to her phone call, Andrea."

She untangled herself from him and hooked a finger at Elizabeth in a come-hither motion. "Follow me!"

Elizabeth followed her into a bedroom where she saw Abby tied up on the bed after the light switch was flicked on, her eyes swollen from crying

Abby immediately opened her eyes as light flooded the room, tears still rolling down her face.

Elizabeth dove for her and grabbed her face, "No need to be afraid anymore, Abby. I'm here."

She tugged the gag down from Abby's mouth, and Abby wept loudly. "I'm scared, Lizzy."

She rested her head on Elizabeth, and deep shivers racked her entire body. Everything that happened today must have been overwhelming for a child.

Tears pooled near the corners of Elizabeth's eyes, and she realized she had made a mistake this time.

She had assumed the company Josh worked at would be legitimate. Little did she know it was a loan shark in disguise. It's all my fault, and now Abby is paying the price.

Elizabeth squeezed her closer. "Don't be afraid, Abby. I'll always be by your side. You will never be alone again."

Pain wrenched her as the little girl in her arms cried her heart out in terror.

Andrea crossed her arms over her chest and watched the scene unfold with a disinterested expression. "You've seen your daughter, so make that call. If the money isn't here by sunrise, you and your daughter will be fish food."

Abby curled tighter into herself upon hearing that. Elizabeth patted her soothingly and undid her

Sweetheart. Get some sleep, and we'll go home when you wake up."

rope. "It's late,

Abby looked at her with wide eyes as Elizabeth drew the blanket over her and cradled her small face. "I'll be here. Don't be

afraid, and

go

to sleep."

Abby closed her eyes slowly. She must have been really exhausted.

Elizabeth took out her phone after Abby fell asleep and dialed Jessica's number.

"Is something wrong, Lizzy? It's late.

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Her background was rowdy. She must still be working.

“Have you sold your house, Jess? I made a mistake and thought I borrowed money from Josh’s relative, but they’re actually loan sharks. Now they have Abby hostage. Do you have money? Could you front me some?” Elizabeth sniffled,

knowing Jessica was dealing with her problems, too.