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On the white marble spiral staircase, Justin stood with his hand in his pockets, the designer suit outlining his lean and elegant figure as he descended the stairs with graceful steps.

Zoe stared at Justin. His handsome face, which radiated superiority, made her gape in awe. She even forgot to cry momentarily.

This man was indeed every woman's dream husband.

She was right to cling to him, even if she had to throw away her shame and dignity.

She must obtain this man, no matter what!

"Justin, what do you mean? You assaulted my granddaughter, but now you're saying it's her fault?"

Logan narrowed his eyes as he asked coldly.

Justin curled his lips mockingly. "Why repeat this and embarrass granddaughter?"

The crowd was stunned. What did Justin mean by that? Could be more to that night's incident?

Zoe's face turned pale. She hid in Logan's arms and bit her lips, no daring to speak.

"You...!"

Logan was not young anymore. The anger got to him, and his face turned red as he almost could not catch his breath.

‘Justin! What nonsense are you spouting? Don’t act recklessly in front of your elders!’

“Reckless?”

Justin chuckled, but his gaze was exceptionally sharp. “I’m only stating the facts. Zoe, are you willing to swear on your life that you weren’t at fault for this?”

A chill ran down Zoe’s spine, and her heart thumped madly.

“Will you swear that you are innocent and knew nothing about the incident that happened at the hotel?”

Justin’s gaze was as cold as the abyss, staring at her like a police officer scrutinizing a criminal.

“I...”

Zoe put on an innocent and naive act. “Justin, why would you say so? Swear on what? That night...

Didn’t you ask me to meet at the hotel?”

Justin’s pupils shrank.

He thought Zoe would argue, but he did not expect her to fabri story.

“We agreed to meet in Room 2051. I reached first, but you didn’t show up for a long time, so I wanted to take a shower while waiting for you.”

“I didn’t expect you to arrive as soon as I finished showering. Isn’t this what happened that night?”

Teardrops hung on Zoe’s eyelashes. Her eyes were red and swollen, as if what she said was true.

“Justin, I didn’t know why you’re unwilling to admit everything. But no matter what you say, I won’t blame you. If you want me to swear, then I will!”

Zoe gritted her teeth as she raised three fingers. “I, Zoe Hoffman, swear to God that I did not say a single word of falsehood. Otherwise, I’ll die a miserable death!”

Swear? How ridiculous.

Does God really exist?

Zoe did not believe in God or karma. She only knew that she must obtain whatever she wanted, no matter how dirty the means.

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In that instant, Justin felt that the situation was ridiculous.

He thought that even though Zoe had gone down the wrong path, she would still admit her fault when

confronted. He thought she would still have a trace of her childhood innocence. After all, she was his best friend's only sister.

But it turned out he had overestimated Zoe's character.

She was only related to Ryan by blood, but she was nothing like Ryan in other aspects.

Zoe was corrupted. Perhaps she had been this way since the start, but Justin had a natural filter for her because she was Ryan's sister.

Since that was the case, there was no need for him to show mercy for the sake of his best friend.

"Zoe! What are you saying? Dying a miserable death? If anything happened to you, how could I live on?"

Claire took out a handkerchief and wiped her tears.

"Zoe is my only granddaughter and the apple of my eye! We raised her in luxury, and she has never suffered. She was willing to curse herself to prove her innocence because of you. This just proves that she's speaking the truth!"

Logan patted Zoe's head while glaring at Justin. "Although Zoe is a little spoiled, she has never lied before! Is Nigel's grandson a coward who does not dare admit his doings?"

Justin narrowed his eyes. His fingers tightened into a grip, suppressing his burning anger.

“Chairman Hoffman, your words are a little too harsh!”

In front of so many people, Gregory could not tolerate someone else insulting his son and even involving his father. He had to maintain his pride. “Focus on the matter at hand! Just tell me what you want. Both of our families are famous in Savrow. It’s already unsightly for you to cause a stir at my house tonight. Do you really want to make an enemy out of the Salvador family?”

Zoe’s eyes shone with a vicious light.

She dragged her grandfather along this time to use his influence to force Justin to marry her.

She did not want to have a fallout with the Salvador family. That would be a worse situation for her!

“Chairman Salvador, I only have two reasonable requests.”

Logan’s expression darkened. “First, I want your son to apologize to Zoe! He was the reason Zoe got surrounded by reporters that almost ruined her reputation! I wanted you to hold a press conference, but you are right about how our families are both influential and prominent. If it becomes a big deal, your image will be tarnished. So, I’ll make do with a private apology from your son, and I won’t pursue the matter further.”

The servants surrounding them could not bear to continue listening. All of them looked indignant. 'How dare this old geezer dare to bully our young master! We should let the dogs out on this old geezer!'

"Mr. Hoffman! What mistake did our young master make? Why should he apologize to Ms. Zoe? Aren't you overstepping your boundaries?"

The crowd turned around, surprised to see Wilma walk out angrily, standing up for Justin.

Shannon hid behind Gregory. She was first stunned and then let out a sinister smile.

She had long disliked Wilma, that troublesome woman. Wilma had Justin's support over the years and did not even respect her.

Now that Wilma stood up for this bastard, there would be a good show!

"Wilma, go back." Justin was stunned and urged her in a low voice.

"Young Master, I can't stand to see them bully you!" Wilma's eyes were teary.

She had been watching from the stairs for a long while, holding herself back. When she heard Logan forcing Justin to apolo

Zoe, she could not take it anymore.

"Chairman Salvador, Mrs. Salvador, how can a servant come out speak so arrogantly? Where are her

manners?" Claire sarcastica looked at Wilma.

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"Mrs. Hoffman, you may not be aware of the situation in our family. Though Wilma is a maid, she has a high position in our house."

Shannon started to mock Wilma again. "She doesn't even respect us, the masters of the house, not to mention a few guests."

"Aunt Shannon, you should know why Wilma holds a high position."

Justin walked to Wilma and shielded her behind him. His cold and icy gaze shot toward Shannon like a knife, causing her to tremble in fear. "After my mother passed away, Wilma stayed by my side and took care of me, treating me like her son. She is my family and has accompanied me since childhood. In my heart, she is as important as my mother."

"Young Master..." Wilma was so touched that tears welled up in the corner of her eyes.

"I've also said that Wilma's only job in this house is to take care of you. She's not your maid. Isn't it normal for her not to treat you with respect, Aunt Shannon?"

The crowd snickered.

After all, in the Salvador family, Wilma was much more liked by the servants.

“You!” Shannon gritted her teeth in resentment, but any further comeback would make her look disgraceful.

“Besides the apology, I have another request.”

Logan ignored the fight between the women and continued coldly, “Chairman Salvador, given the current situation, there’s only one way to resolve this properly. We should enter a marriage alliance and let Justin marry Zoe.”

Everyone was shocked!

“You want me to marry Zoe?”

Justin laughed, but his eyes were cold. “Mr. Hoffman, what kind of person do you think I am? Do you think I’d take any woman to be my wife? Do you think any woman deserves it? I don’t indulge in worldly pleasures, but that doesn’t mean I’m not picky.”

His words stunned everyone!

Justin did not mention Zoe’s name, but every word seemed to strike at her heart!



Zoe's lips trembled. She was so mad that her face turned ashen.

"Justin, mind your words!" Gregory was displeased with Hoff coercion, but he did not want things to get ugly.

"Justin Salvador! How dare you!"

Logan grabbed his eagle-headed cane and slammed it on the floor. He was furious and roared, "Do you think that my granddaughter is not good enough for you? You even dared to humiliate Zoe. You..."

"As long as I'm alive, I will only have one wife."

Just as Justin's voice fell, the butler rushed over. "Chairman, Young

Master Justin, Ms. Bella Thompson is here!"

The crisp sound of high heels echoed in the hall.

Justin's breath hitched as he looked at the graceful figure walking toward them, his gaze burning with passion as he stared at Bella.

Zoe watched as Justin was completely enchanted by Bella. She was mad with jealousy, but there was nothing she could do.

That man's heart and eyes belonged to Bella. There was no space for any other woman.

If not for that person who provided her with a plan and her boldness, Zoe might not even have the chance to be in the same room as Justin.

“Oh! Young Madam!” Wilma called out delightfully.

“Young Madam! It really is the Young Madam!”

The servants did not dare to speak loudly, but they cast delighted and hopeful glances toward Bella.

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At this point, everyone knew that Justin’s heart belonged to someone else-his ex-wife.

Why did Bella suddenly appear now?

Did she hear that the Hoffmans were coming to force Justin’s hand in marriage, so she came to save him?

Bella wore a black bodycon dress and a black velvet designer suit jacket. Her shiny hair swayed to her waist, and her red lips were vibrant, making her look bold and beautiful.

Bella looked effortlessly beautiful and astonishing.

One confident glance from Bella was enough to completely crush

Zoe’s self-esteem.

Seeing Bella's sudden appearance, Claire immediately patted her chest to calm her nervous heart.

Claire had heart problems. When she thought about Bella's deeds, Claire felt that it would be tough to deal with her. She not bear the stress.

"Grandpa! She is the woman I mentioned to you! Bella!"

Zoe anxiously muttered in Logan's ear, "She always bullies me. Grandpa, you have to stand up for me!"

Logan gloomily stared at Bella's beautiful face, feeling a little complicated.

Although it was the first time Logan met Bella, her father, Wyatt, was his old acquaintance!

They could not be considered friends, but Wyatt's character was among the best in the elite society and was an influential figure. Logan could offend Gregory, but he did not want to offend Wyatt's daughter.

"Chairman Salvador, good evening. Sorry for my unannounced arrival. Oh, Chairman Hoffman, you're here too."

Bella smiled and humbly bowed to Logan. "Greetings, Chairman Hoffman."

She was elegant and knowledgeable, as expected of Wyatt's daughter!

Zoe anxiously urged, "Grandpa! Why aren't you saying anything? She's my bully and my love rival! She wants to snatch Justin away from me!"

Logan pursed his lips. He could not help his granddaughter.

He was a mighty figure who fought his way to the top in his years. How could he argue with a young girl like Bella? He w his dignity!

Justin's gaze was passionate as he stared at Bella's stunning b

His reason told him that he should be angry with her for hurting deeply, but his heart and body were burning with desire. The ragin hormones told him that he still longed for her.

"Ms. Bella, it's late. Why are you here?" Gregory smiled faintly, still maintaining a detached attitude toward his former daughter-in-law.

"Yeah. Ms. Bella, as you've said, your sudden visit seemed quite presumptuous."

Shannon smiled mockingly, ready to watch the show. "Didn't you see that we have distinguished guests? We are talking about important matters, and it's unsuitable for outsiders to be here. If we have good news, we will inform you."

Her words were threatening, holding a deeper meaning.

Justin's face darkened. He was about to speak when Bella chuckled." Mrs. Salvador, you've got it

wrong. I'm not interested in the conversation between your families at all. I came for you."

The crowd was taken aback and looked at each other.

Shannon was stunned, frowning. "Me? Why?"

"Do you want to talk about it alone, or should I discuss it openly here?" Bella smiled, her eyes shining

with a cold light.