Her Vengeful Rebirth (Calista) Novel Chapter 101

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Amidst the turmoil, several fighters had inadvertently ventured dangerously close to the adversary's lines Ultimately, when the foes executed their self–destruction strategy, though these fighters pulled back, the visceral aftermath scattered far and wide–flesh and blood flung across the battlefield. Tragically, some were caught in this ghastly spray, among them Kallum, who bore the brunt of it.

Ryder's expression darkened as he remarked, "Mr. Kallum, are you insinuating that..."

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Just then, his communication device began to chime insistently. He swiftly attended to the call, and the voice of Quintus, tinged with panic, permeated the line from the other end.

"There's a dire situation. Ryder! A handful of us, about four or five, have started feeling terribly ill. Those individuals who attempted to thwart our efforts earlier, they're all carriers of the disease!"

Ryder was struck by an overwhelming sense of disbelief. What manner of illness could manifest so quickly and spread with such virulence?

A sudden flicker of dread pierced his thoughts. "K Virus!"

Kallum spat out yet another mouthful of blood. The phrase "K Virus" simultaneously flashed across his consciousness. For the first time in his existence, a profound sense of fear overtook him.

Should it indeed be the K Virus, the likelihood that he might never again lay eyes on Calista was agonizingly high. That departure they had recently might well have been their final goodbye.

Ryder was dumbfounded by the severity of the situation. The contingent that had just departed numbered in the thousands—two thousand, to be precise. If all were to fall victim to this virus, merely to target Kallum, it spoke volumes of the enemy's mercilessness; it was almost demonic in nature.

What was more, the K Virus, known for being incurable, would not typically be unleashed unless there was an intent to decimate an entire nation—to obliterate the very fabric of the world!

The virus, which first surfaced over two centuries ago, had claimed upward of a million lives since its

emergence.

When the initial outbreak struck Turlen, the global community of virus research experts converged to try to manage the situation.

Despite their efforts, the virus proved unstoppable and incurably lethal, spreading swiftly and universally fatal within a month. During those despairing times, the grim recourse was to euthanize those afflicted. Their remains were incinerated in large numbers, their ashes buried deep underground.

Over a hundred years previously, an epidemic had devastated an entire city. Ultimately, the entire area. was cordoned off under strict quarantine, The government of Turlen mandated that all residents remain indoors, effectively scaling all exits and condemning the inhabitants to a fate of isolation. To this day, that place remains deserted, now notorious as a haunted ghost town where, if one dares to visit at night, the eerie sounds of frantic knocking can still be heard.

If the entire group of people was infected, this could spell the end of Lostaria.

At that moment, Kallum, still able to think clearly, hastily communicated with the Lostarian government, alerting them to the potential resurgence of the K Virus. The officials, upon realizing the gravity of the threat, quickly dispatched their most elite unit to tackle the virus with decisive and rapid action.

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Fortunately, the scene of the recent encounter had been a deserted urban area, which aided significantly in containing any potential spread of the virus.

Kallum remained composed as he issued another directive, this time to Gunner, to quarantine the afflicted individuals and transport them to the military district. Though the K Virus was formidable, a development. had been made in the form of an antibody. If administered within the first two hours of infection, it offered a slim one percent chance of survival.

He then relayed a detailed message back to his home nation, emphasizing the critical importance maintaining national defense measures.

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Soon, the physical toll became too much for him, and beads of sweat the size of beans began to form and trickle down his forehead.

"Hurry back! Get to the military district! There's still a chance if we administer the antibodies now..." Ryder urgently directed the pilot, who promptly executed a sharp turn.

Meanwhile, Kaiser tried to speak but found himself overwhelmed, unable to articulate a word. Those afflicted with the K Virus typically suffered a fever for three days, with many succumbing to the fever

alone.

At that precise moment, Kallum's communication device unexpectedly rang again. He instinctively answered, only to be greeted by a shrill voice that resonated with menacing calm. "Mr. Kallum... Your reputation precedes you..."

Kallum tensed, biting his tongue to maintain his focus, yet the voice on the other line continued with a measured cadence.

"Although we've never met, Mr. Kallum, you've caused me considerable suffering. There's a proverb in your nation, reprisal for a wrong should be directed at the perpetrator.' If it weren't for your intervention, military might have advanced unchecked. Your creation of the antiviral capsule thwarted what would been a swift conquest of your nation! We've been strategizing this for decades, but you've thwarted ry step. Mr. Kallum, surely you must realize who I am by now, correct?"

Indeed, he recognized the voice as that of Uriah Jurickson, the mastermind of the unrest within Lostaria, a man of ambitious designs.

Kallum's eyes became bloodshot with fury as he demanded, "Where is Calista? Where is she!"

"I had no idea you were such a romantic, Mr. Kallum. Initially, I dismissed her as a trivial matter, but clearly, I was mistaken," the voice taunted, followed by a sinister chuckle.

Then, chillingly, the voice instructed, "Come, young lady, tell him who you are."

A palpable silence ensued, yet it felt as though Kallum sensed something, his voice quavering slightly. "Calista?"

Calista herself had never anticipated finding herself in such dire straits. Shortly after her fall, she found herself encircled. Had it not been for her injured thigh, she might have evaded capture far more adeptly.

Once captured, though, she quickly resigned herself to her fate.

Kallum carried a significant burden, not merely of personal attachment but of broader implications. She couldn't allow herself to be used as leverage against him. Thus, even when Uriah taunted her by prodding her wound with a knife, she remained stoically silent a testament to her resolve.

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Uriah's eyes gleamed with intrigue as he observed the young woman's fortitude, finding her quite fascinating.

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Nevertheless, Kallum was absolutely convinced that Calista had been taken captive. With a heavy heart, he

unlike anything he had felt before. shut his eyes, experiencing a surge of ang

"What are your intentions?" Kallum inquired.

"What do you think?" responded Uriah, his voice seething with a fury matching that of Kallum's. "Due to your interference, all that I had—my followers, my funds, my strategies—they've all been obliterated! I find myself on the verge of being hunted down, like a stray dog without a shelter, stripped of everything! What do you presume I intend to do now?"

His tone was thick with deep—seated bitterness. The work of generations, from his father's time to the present, had been on the cusp of seizing control of Lostaria, only to see their efforts completely dismantled by an outsider. What could his intentions possibly be?

Gripping Calista's face, a cold smirk curled on Uriah's lips. "I demand the munitions you possess, and 1 demand your life!"

In his desperation to flee, his desire to claim Kallum's life became evident—it was the only means to extinguish the rage that consumed his heart.

Calista narrowed her eyes and spoke in a raspy voice. "Kallum... if you attempt to rescue me, I'll kill myself first! Show some backbone! Don't... forget your duties!"

Kallum's hand clenched tightly around the communicator upon hearing Calista's voice.

Calista's words ignited a fury in Uriah. In a fit of rage, he struck her, the sound of the slap traveling through the communicator and causing blood to once again trickle from the corner of Kallum's mouth.

"Did you orchestrate the virus infections among those people earlier? Do you know the gravity of your

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contract the K Speaking of this drove Uriah to absolute fury. He had instructed his most trusted men to Virus. With over two thousand of his soldiers encircling and entrapping Kallum's five hundred, he was convinced that, even if Kallum survived, he would inevitably contract the disease.

Who could have foreseen that Kallum would remain so vigilant? Not only did he maintain his distance, but he also ensured his followers did likewise. That explosion, despite its horrific aftermath, had not even grazed Kallum's skin.

When the news reached him, Uriah, overcome with rage, executed several of his own men on the spot.

In essence, over two thousand of his men had perished fruitlessly, while Kallum had an extraordinary stroke of luck to have survived.

Finding no other option, he thought to use Calista as leverage against his adversary. Surprisingly, this

tactic had some effect.

Uriah then ordered his men to drag Calista away before he bellowed into the communicator, "What am I doing? I'm exacting vengeance! Weren't you deemed capable? If you could overcome Influenza T, then surely the K Virus would be manageable for you! But my patience has limits. If you genuinely care for this woman, then exchange your munitions and your life, for her!"

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Otherwise, he would have surely fled, rather than deliberately walking into a trap.

A spark of murderous intent flared in Kallum's eyes. The adversary had lost all reason, and Kallum found himself at a loss for words with such a madman.

"Where are you?" Suppressing his rage, he asked, each word measured and deliberate.

"I'm at Mount Goldfall! You have two hours. If you fail to appear within that time frame, this woman's life is forfeit! Also, you may only bring four people with you and four vehicles of munitions. That should suffice, right?"

"Of course," Kallum responded. It's more than enough to kill you!

After the communication ended, Kallum's eyes were bloodshot with fury. He tilted his head, giving a chilly glance to Ryder. "I remember that the individual we developed in Lostaria was stationed near Mount Goldfall, correct?"

Ryder, taken aback, responded, "Mr. Kallum, that's our primary team in Lostaria. Mr. Fairchild had instructed that it should not be disturbed unless the country is facing imminent destruction!"

Kallum narrowed his eyes, a cold chuckle escaping him. "This is a critical juncture for the survival of Lostaria! If Uriah had the audacity to unleash the K Virus once, he would not hesitate to do so again! If he does not perish, before his departure, Lostaria will certainly face ruin! Therefore, he must not be allowed to escape with his life."

Any man bold enough to harm his beloved would inevitably face dire repercussions, potentially even death.

"When Ryder heard these firm words, he yielded somewhat. He quickly issued a command, then addressed Kallum with a noticeably stern voice.

"You really must make your way to the military district for the vaccine, Mr. Kallum. If this truly is the K

we ought to seize even that slim one percent chance of survival! You will be safe, you must trust

However, time was a luxury Kallum did not possess.

Internally, Kallum scoffed, his thoughts filled with disdain for Uriah, whom he saw as nothing but a dangerously ambitious madman, a murderer at heart. Uriah had set a deadline of two hours, but Kallum knew well that if he failed to appear within that window, Uriah would not hesitate to kill Calista. The mere thought of such a grim outcome was unbearable to him.

"The course is set for Mount Goldfall," Kallum declared resolutely.

"No way!" Ryder objected in alarm, "Mr. Kallum, there's absolutely no need for you to endanger yourself. The Shadow Assassins are already in place. You should have faith in their expertise and skills!"

Kallum responded with icy pragmatism, "Ulric belongs to a prestigious family with centuries of influence, having built up immense wealth and power through their loyalists, enough to buy munitions capable of devastating Lostaria! Even now, as he finds himself comered and ready to flee, he will not be alone. Even with the Shadow Assassins present, I cannot be at peace!"

"Mr. Kallum, is Calista's life worth more than your own? What is the disparity between your status and hers? She comes from a prestigious family, true, but she is essentially an ordinary girl. How deeply are your feelings for her? Have you thought about how ur actions might impact your parents? They have

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only you as their son!"

This time, Kallum found himself hesitating longer than usual, wrestling with his thoughts as he weighed his duty against his personal feelings and the expectations of his family.

Despite the flush of fever that colored his cheeks, his eyes glinted with a clarity and determination that belied his physical condition. Finally, with measured deliberation, he began to speak again. "Elijah, set our destination for Mount Goldfall!"

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"Mr. Kallum!" Ryder exclaimed, barely able to mask his disbelief. It was inconceivable to him that Kallum would risk everything, even his last breath, for the sake of a woman.

Kallum, lips pursed in firm resolution, clarified his decision. "If I go to the military district now, my chances of survival would be barely one percent. Yet, if I refrain from attempting to rescue her, her likelihood of death is almost certain.

His unwavering resolve to save another seemed to soothe the scaring pain that racked his body. Never before had he felt such composure or grasped the stakes so clearly.

His gaze was fixed intently to the right as he continued, "I am prepared to gamble my meager chance of survival against her almost certain chance to live. Thus, we set our course for Mount Goldfall!"

Meanwhile, Calista found herself confined, overhearing conversations in Turlenian outside her cell. She coolly assessed her situation

From what she could gather, the tide had turned once the antidote was introduced. Consequently, Uriah had severed ties with his uncle, who continued to resist the Lostarian government while Uriah planned his escape from the country. His bitterness over past failures was palpable, and it was this resentment that drove him to capture her as a way to reach Kallum.

The discussions outside hinted at the use of the K Virus. Fortunately, it seemed his plans had not succeeded, and Kallum remained unharmed.

However, a wave of unease washed over Calista.

In her previous life, Kallum had returned abruptly to his homeland. Given his significant role in Lostaria, why would he return amid an ongoing war? The K Virus... Uriah...

Calista furrowed her brows. In her previous life, she hadn't been able to visit Kallum and knew far too little

him. However, at that point, she knew she had to leave that place.

They had injected her with a sedative when they confined her, but Calista possessed a unique constitution that delayed the effects of any drug. Her apparent weakness was merely a ruse. In truth, she still had the strength to break free from her bindings.

Silently, she untied herself and cautiously peered through a crack in the door. Outside, two armed guards stood watch, with patrolling sentinels visible in the vicinity. The odds were against her, but she knew she had to attempt an escape within the next two hours, especially if Kallum was indeed coming to her rescue. She needed to avoid endangering him at all costs.

All her personal items had been confiscated, but she retrieved a needle hidden within her chest.

The Energy Locking Needle, fully concealable inside her chest, now provided her with a small measure of security, Clutching the needle, she felt a renewed sense of empowerment.

Meanwhile, Kallum had reached Mount Goldfall and confirmed his infection with the K Virus. After a period of uncertainty, his resolve had crystallized.

Calista was awaiting his rescue. Pinning his hopes on a mere one percent chance of survival simply could not measure against her safety.

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Ryder knew there was no circumventing Kallum; the only viable option was to have the military district. dispatch an antibody as quickly as possible.

However, everyone was aware that the effectiveness of the antibody decreased dramatically over time. If there was originally a one percent chance of survival, that likelihood diminished to nearly one—thousandth of a percent after the two—hour mark.

Upon receiving the update, Shadow Assassins had already made their way to Mount Goldfall. Although this was their debut mission, their intent to kill was undiminished.

As Kallum viewed the imposing mountain peak, he let out a cold chuckle. If his end was near, then he would ensure that those who pursued him would join him in demise.

Indeed, Uriah had his forces ready. His choice of Mount Goldfall was strategic, as the mountain's hollow core held potential resources for a future resurgence.

If Kallum brought a significant force, Uriah was undeterred. And if Kallum came with only four, their defeat would be even swifter.

However, Uriah received word that Kallum had continued on his path to the military district and not deviated toward rescuing Calista. It was then he realized something crucial–Kallum didn't care about Calista: he never intended to rescue her.

What a nuisance! I knew it, no woman would lead Kallum to his demise. So, what's the point of keeping her alive?

"Bring that woman here!" Uriah commanded.

At that moment, Calista was seizing her chance to escape. She was confined in a wooden shed and had discovered a loose plank on the floor. With her bare hands, she dug at the ground beneath it, applying all her strength until the plank broke, revealing an escape route.

eady scoped out the area through a crevice and confirmed no one was directly behind the shed.

After crawling out, she dashed into the surrounding forest, only to encounter guards stationed throughout. It was clear this was Uriah's secret base, likely fortified from the mountain's peak to its base.

A surge of anxiety overwhelmed Calista when suddenly, a furious roar erupted from behind. "She's gone!"

Without hesitation, Calista swiftly scaled a tree.

In her previous life, Calista had found herself fleeing so frequently that she had developed a range of survival skills. Her heightened senses and swift movements enabled her to deftly navigate into the thickest parts of the tree canopy. It wasn't long before a search party arrived, led by Uriah himself, whose pale face seemed to radiate sheer fury, his blue eyes blazing with a fire of wrath.

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Uriah was resolute, fueled by a fierce desire to kill the woman so thoroughly.

"Boss, there's no trace on the ground, she didn't come this way!" one of the searchers reported back after a thorough inspection of the area.

This made sense to the searcher. A woman, fleeing in sheer panic, would undoubtedly leave numerous signs of her passage. Yet, the absence of such traces here meant she couldn't possibly be in this vicinity.

Their cultural biases led them to underestimate the capabilities of Chanaean women, assuming the rope's failure was due to a simple lack of thoroughness.

Uriah, however, was not convinced. His teeth clenched in frustration, he shouted toward a cluster of trees, "Young lady, do you even realize? Your lover has abandoned you; he hasn't come at all! So, even if you manage to escape, it's futile, there's no one to rescue you; you can't possibly escape this mountain alone!"

As he yelled, he scanned his surroundings meticulously. How could a woman, forsaken by her lover, maintain her composure under such circumstances?

"What a pitiful state to be in, I had thought you might be of some use. But it turns out you are utterly insignificant in Kallum's eyes! Given that, there's no point in you continuing to live! If you come out now, I'll allow you a dignified death. Otherwise, I'll sell you to the most backward country to become a prostitute! You'll be abused by vile men who stink of rats! You'll never be able to reclaim your life!"

He continued to taunt her, believing that the combined weight of betrayal and the threat of death would break her spirit and force her to act impulsively.

However, Calista was no ordinary woman and was not so easily provoked.

Despite Uriah's cruel words, the idea that she had planned her escape within two hours to save Kallum from danger now seemed absurd. He hadn't come to rescue her at all; he had left her to her fate.

Still, she understood that when national issues/family duties, and personal responsibilities were at stake, romantic feelings were of little consequence. Besides, her relationship with Kallum had not even developed into something profound yet.

Even though a coldness touched her heart, her expression did not waver. She melded with the branches and leaves, becoming nearly indistinguishable from her surroundings.

Uriah waited but saw no sign of disturbance, ultimately giving up, convinced that his target was not there. Since Kallum was unlikely to come, he couldn't afford to waste more time waiting for Kallum's forces to potentially arrive and eliminate him. Therefore, he resolved to capture Calista before he departed.

"Go, bring over a few dogs!" he commanded.

Calista's thigh was wounded, and although she could hide the scent of blood from humans, wild beasts were another story altogether.

A shiver of fear ran through her as she glanced down at the makeshift bandage on her thigh, sensing the imminent danger

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Calista lifted her head slightly, her eyes wide. In comparison to Uriah, even the most ruthless assassins who killed without a second thought seemed like saints.

The refugee camp housed a hundred thousand people. In a fit of rage, Uriah had condemned these hundred thousand souls to a merciless fate, his cold–bloodedness knowing no bounds.

Yet, his subordinates displayed remarkable loyalty, even voicing concerns for Uriah's safety during such times.

"Whether to activate or deactivate Plan B, it requires your fingerprint and password, Boss. It would be best if you don't risk your life and exit Lostaria safely. How could the lives of those lowly beings compare to your safety, Boss?"

"It's all right," Uriah replied, a cruel gleam in his eyes. "I've already modified the system. It now requires just a password to start or stop. You all are my most loyal subordinates! So, who among you is willing to sacrifice their life for revenge? I will send a plane for you and ensure your family is well cared for!"

At that moment, a young boy, merely fourteen or fifteen years old, stepped forward, his eyes alight with unyielding fervor and admiration as he looked up at Uriah...

*For the sake of your plans, Mr. Jurickson, I am prepared to undertake the mission!" he declared with determination.

"Excellent!" Uriah commended the boy, clapping him on the shoulder as a gesture of approval, "The refugee camp is close by. Soon, you'll blend in disguised as a refugee. Your destination is the large dead tree at the camp's center, where you'll locate the explosives setup. The password is..."

He leaned in closer, lowering his voice to a whisper to share the secret code with the boy. The prospect of orchestrating such a devastating event, knowing he could observe the explosion from his escape plane due to the proximity, brought a sinister thrill to Uriah. He rationalized that if these individuals refused to submit to his rule, they deserved their grim fate.

From a distance, Calista observed the exchange intently. Her exceptional eyesight and acute hearing served her well, although she couldn't hear their whispered conversation, she could read his lips

As Uriah mouthed the password, Calista's lips silently mirrored his, confirming the digits in her mind.

Four-Three-Seven-Nine. It's a four-digit password.

She desperately wished to relay this information, but a quick survey of her surroundings reminded her that she lacked any means of communication. This realization left her feeling a wave of frustration.

Once he received the password, the young boy boarded a plane and swiftly departed.

Suddenly, the barking of dogs pierced the air, causing Calista's muscles to tense. She then heard Uriah's laugh as he stooped to greet the approaching animals. "My dear children..."

These were Uriah's pet wolfdogs, notorious for their ferocity as they were raised on human flesh. Yet under Uriah's command, their savage nature was subdued. They whimpered softly and affectionately nuzzled his hand.

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In no time, someone brought the rope previously used to bind Calista, still marked with her blood.

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"Find this woman and tear her apart!" Uriah commanded as he released the leash, unleashing the wolfdogs in the direction he suspected Calista had taken.

Calista braced herself, familiar with the imminent danger, yet the intensity of this moment brought a sharp clarity that she was perilously close to death.

This man has no regard for life. I want neither to die nor to be sold. What should I do?

Just then, a gunshot rang out in the distance, bringing a momentary sense of relief to Calistia, while Uriah's previously amused expression instantly darkened, his features twisting into a stormy glare. "Who's

there!"

Amidst intermittent static, voices crackled through the intercom.

"Boss, we've encountered a breach at Mount Goldfall... currently, it's unclear who... but there's a sizable group-"The report was cut short by screams, leaving Uriah's expression even grimmer.

Among the many who sought my downfall, who could this new threat be? Kallum? Impossible.... He has already gone to the military district; surely, he couldn't have mustered such a force. Who then possesses such capabilities? Regardless, I can't just sit back and do nothing!

Though Uriah was momentarily distracted from Calista, his nature wouldn't allow him to overlook any affront. He swiftly delegated the task to his henchmen with a grave voice. "If you find that woman, there's no need to report back. Just kill her on the spot!"

"Understood!"

"Prepare the plane. If we cannot hold them back, we need to retreat swiftly."

"Roger that!"

As Uriah's men followed the wolfdogs toward a potential hiding spot, Uriah, surrounded by his loyalists. hastily departed the scene.

While Uriah was coordinating his retreat, Calista seized the moment to act. She tore off her blood–soiled bandage, skewered it onto a branch, and flung it beneath another tree to mislead the wolfdogs. She then quickly wrapped her wound with her outer garment to stem any further bleeding.

Soon after, the pursuers and the wolfdogs converged at the base of the tree, where the beasts ferociously tugged at the blood–soaked cloth.

"That woman must be nearby! Spread out and search for her!" commanded the leader. While the others fanned out, the leader struggled to retrieve the cloth from the wolfdog's mouth.

At that moment, Calista descended gracefully from her perch, her presence nearly imperceptible. Her movements were light and poised, and as she approached the man, the needle in her hand glinted ominously under the dim light.

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a frontal assault.

The air was thick with the cacophony of gunfire and the harsh sounds of battle. Maintaining communication with the military district, Kallum found himself at the heart of a brutal conflict.

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Mount Goldfall was a crucial stronghold for Uriah in Lostaria, housing his ultimate reserve of resources essential for a possible resurgence.

With the dangerous K Virus in play, it was imperative for Kallum and the people of Lostaria that Uriah not escape with his life. The risk of the havoc he could wreak if left unchecked was unimaginable.

Uriah had initially planned a staunch resistance, but upon realizing the overwhelming odds against him due to the superior strength of his opponent's forces, he swiftly opted to flee.

Driven by both cruelty and a deep—seated fear of death, Uriah was prepared to abandon his position at the first sign of defeat.

Halfway up the mountain, Kallum noticed several aircraft circling overhead, clearly not there for an assault but likely arranged for an evacuation.

Acting swiftly on this observation, Kallum issued orders.

Following his strategic directive, the teams split their focus: one provided defensive cover while the other targeted the aircraft with heavy weaponry.

The ensuing barrage resulted in several thunderous explosions, leading to the downing of a plane. This spectacle pushed Uriah to the edge of despair, filled with the premonition of his looming demise.

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Who the hell were these well–trained troops and where did they spring from? Apart from Kallum, who else possesses such capability?

With the realization that Kallum's forces were primarily positioned in the military district, Uriah mistakenly assumed that Kallum would not compromise his position over a woman. Yet, who else possessed such a large reserve of munitions apart from Kallum?

As the evacuation plane became untenable, Uriah's only alternative was a secretive escape route through the mountain.

Thanks to Kallum's rapid mobilization and decisive leadership, his team's ascent up the mountain took merely an hour.

Kallum knew that failing to eliminate Uriah could lead to catastrophic consequences.

At that moment, Ryder approached hurriedly.

"Mr. Kallum, the antibody!" he urged, handing Kallum a vial.

By then, nearly two hours had glapsed, and the efficacy of the antibodies was highly questionable.

Previously, Kallum had ingested a potent antipyretic which kept him relatively coherent. Aware that administering the antibody (his late was unlikely to be ben

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The ultimate outcome of this action remained to be seen.

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Suddenly, a burly figure clad in black approached with urgent news. "Mr. Kallum, the enemy is retreating toward the rear of the mountain!" he reported.

Kallum's face set in a grim line. "I suspect that the interior of this mountain is hollow. Uriah would not have chosen this location as his hideout without such an advantage. Dispatch a team with a sonar detector to confirm. We must preempt their escape routes and ensure no one escapes alive from here!"

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eficial, he still proceeded, motivated by the

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"Roger that!"

Kallum rallied his elite troops into the fray with a precise command and an astute grasp of enemy tactics. His rapid penetration of Uriah's defenses signaled that victory was tantalizingly close.

It was regrettable, however, that throughout this conflict, he had yet to lay eyes on Calista.

His aggression was fueled primarily by the need to corner Uriah and annihilate his remaining forces in one fell swoop.

Given that Uriah was targeting his life, Kallum knew that, if comered, Uriah would undoubtedly use Calista as a bargaining chip against him. In such a scenario, even if it meant a life–for–life exchange, his objective would be fulfilled.

Internally, Kallum felt the temperature rising; the antipyretic and subsequent antibodies seemed to have no effect. It was clear to him that he was facing his own mortality. Yet, if his end was inevitable, then he was resolute that Calista must survive at all costs.

Suddenly, a sharp splat resounded as blood splattered across Calista's face. She had managed to eliminate that man in one clean strike, but dealing with the subsequent two wolfdogs proved to be more challenging.

Despite her injuries, Calista's strength and quick thinking prevailed, allowing her to dispatch the beasts as well.

After eliminating the threat, she quickly rose and found a place to conceal herself. Her swift actions were fortuitous; as anticipated, the sound of the wolfdog's yelp drew a man, intent on killing her.

han was instantly on high alert. They had initially split up because they believed that no matter who sta might encounter, her demise was inevitable. However, the sudden death of one of their own—if not by Calista's hand, then perhaps an unseen assailant—suggested a formidable enemy might be lurking.

Yet, he harbored doubts about Calista's capability for such skilled combat. With the relentless gunfire resonating from the mountain's base, it seemed plausible that enemy forces had infiltrated their ranks with nefarious intent.

As such, he never relaxed his grip on his firearm, sweeping his gaze across the surroundings, muscles tensed in anticipation of any threat.

Calista remembered him well; he was the man who had brazenly harassed her in Uriah's presence, revealing his shameless and reckless nature. Clutching a gun she had just seized, she considered her options. Her marksmanship, though decent, was no match for a professionally trained soldier, especially while wounded. Engaging him with the firearm, if she failed to deliver a fatal shot, would likely result in.

her death.

After careful deliberation, she opted to forsake the gun, instead creating a subtle, fragmented noise to draw him in.

The man's ears perked up at the slightest sound, his approach cautious, not wanting to alarm any potential adversary. He moved stealthily toward the source of the noise, rounding a large tree to confront what he presumed might be an enemy. To his astonishment, he discovered not a foe, but an unexpectedly

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appearance. Her exposed shoulders and wide, frightened eyes could stir a mix of emotions in any

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As Calista feigned vulnerability, clutching her chest as though trying to preserve her modesty, she spoke in Turlenian, suggesting a desperate bargain for her life. "As long as you don't kill me, I can fulfill any

of your desires!"

As she spoke, her grip loosened slightly, revealing more of her supple skin.

Embittered by the ongoing battle yet confident in his comrades capabilities, the man saw an opportunity for a vile indulgence before what he assumed would be her inevitable demise.

Enthralled by her beauty, which he had noticed previously, he couldn't resist approaching Calista.

As he moved towards her, Calista's face showed fear and shock. Yet beneath her terrified exterior, a glint of cold resolve shone in her fingertips, where she secretly held a silver needle.

While a needle was not a lethal weapon, it was enough for Calista to induce temporary paralysis, turning even the smallest opportunity to her advantage.

Elsewhere, Kallum had uncovered the secret entrance to a cave within Mount Goldfall. Using explosives, he gained the upper hand over Uriah.

The battle had tilted decisively in his favor. Most of Uriah's men lay defeated, and the responsibility of delivering Uriah to his demise fell squarely on Kallum.

The cave was laden with supplies- not just munitions, food, and medicine, but also stacked with gold. bars, evidently Uriah's financial reserve for a potential resurgence.

Uriah's blind vengeance had clouded his judgment; had he not been so consumed by revenge, he might

e utilized these resources to stage a formidable comeback

From afar, Uriah's curses filled the air. Kallum responded with a cold smirk, raising his hand as a dozen guns were primed and pointed toward the approaching threat.

Up to this point, Uriah remained confused about his assailant's identity.

The communication system had broken down, leaving him isolated and without updates on the unfolding situation outside. Therefore, he was forced to rely solely on his conjectures to piece together the clues.

Logically, he knew that most of Kallum's forces were stationed in the military district, deeply engaged in a fierce battle.

Considering his numerous adversaries, each preoccupied with their own dilemmas, Uriah pondered who could possibly have the motive and means to target him at this juncture. Is it someone from another nation, seizing the opportunity to strike amidst my misfortune?

However, the answer to his speculations became shockingly clear the moment he saw the figure before

him.

Kallum... But isn't he supposed to be in the military district?

Uriah's eyes widened in shock, a cold wave of fear washing over him as he pieced together the reality of

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1 Coin.

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Chapter 106 An Explosion

It turned out that Kallum, while operating a capable force in the public eye in Lostaria, also commanded a formidable, secretive force. This realization painted Kallum in a terrifying new light.

Kallum had been waiting at the end of the cave for some time, his posture rigid and commanding. exuding a deadly aura reminiscent of a sword ready to strike. His presence alone was enough to chill the spine.

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Chapter 107 Wait For Me

With a gun pointed at him, Uriah dared not resist. His men raised their hands in surrender, their fear threatening to suffocate them.

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As Kallum's eyes fixed on Uriah, who was now cornered and desperate, his pupils narrowed, the intensity of his gaze revealing a raw, undisguised intent to eliminate any threat.

"Where is Calista?" Kallum's voice was sharp, his concern evident. Why is she not by Uriah's side? Did Uriah harm her?

Uriah realized the depth of his miscalculation. In his arrogance, he had underestimated Kallum's reach and resolve, assuming that Kallum would not risk everything for Calista and thus disregarding her as a valuable leverage point.

But Uriah, ever the schemer, quickly attempted to manipulate the situation to his advantage, despite his desperation.

"Let me go! Otherwise, I'll kill that woman! His voice was tinged with false bravado, clinging to the hope that Kallum might be deceived by his bluff.

Kallum, however, maintained his composure, observing Uriah closely. After a moment, he let out a short, mocking laugh, seeing through the facade.

"You're not holding her captive," Kallum stated flatly, his voice cutting through the tension. "That means I don't have to keep you alive any longer."

Uriah was taken aback, barely processing the situation before Kallum's forces opened fire. In a r attempt to shield himself, Uriah hid behind one of his own men.

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Although he was hit several times, none of the bullets were fatal. The realization that he was the sole

rvivor amidst the carnage sent waves of terror through him.

Kallum's a demon! An utter demon!

With that, Uriah exclaimed, "Y-you can't kill me! I've planted a bomb in the refugee camp, and I'm the only one who knows the code! If you kill me, a hundred thousand people will die!"

Kallum scoffed at Uriah's claim, then approached and hoisted him from the ground with ease. "Bomb? Password?"

"Exactly..." Uriah stammered. A palpable fear washed over him, his voice quivering with the weight of his impending doom.

"There's only half an hour left before the explosion! If you kill me, they'll all die!" he cried out, his blood- stained hands desperately clutching at Kallum.

This was the first time Uriah found himself in such utter disarray, his pride crumbling as he yearned to beg for mercy. "Let me go... and I'll give you the password right away..."

Kallum responded with a dismissive laugh, casually releasing his grip and watching Uriah tumble to the ground. Scrambling to his feet, Uriah seemed poised to grasp at Kallum's foot in a last–ditch effort to save himself.

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Only pure-bloods like me deserve to live. Everyone else should burn in hell!

However, Kallum coldly stepped on Uriah's hand before he could make another move.

Even with minimal force applied, Uriah winced in pain—a man of high society, unaccustomed to physical suffering, his pampered fingers writhing under the unfamiliar strain.

"Where is Calista?" Kallum demanded authoritatively, towering over Uriah, who felt the full weight of his own insignificance, as if standing before a God. How could he dare to suggest that Calista was possibly dead by then?

his teeth, Uriah was forced to admit her location through clenched teeth. "At the peak of the

Gritting mountain!"

With a slight shift of his foot, causing Uriah to wince again, Kallum smirked and pressed further, "How much of the K Virus do you still have in your possession?"

Knowing the stakes, especially with a hundred thousand lives hanging in balance, Uriah knew better than to lie. "The K Virus is too dangerous... Apart from those already exposed, there's none left..."

"And your uncle? He doesn't have any either?" Kallum probed further.

"My uncle is determined, still aiming to control Lostaria—he would never use the K Virus..." Uriah confessed, understanding that infecting the populace he sought to rule would be counterproductive.

Kallum found Uriah's honesty in this moment both satisfying and revolting. It was clear that even among rebels, there were lines that should not be crossed, yet Uriah had seemed to have lost all sense of moral boundaries.

Handing Uriah over to Ryder, who stood ready behind him, Kallum gave his orders, "Send a message to

military district, inform them about the bomb. Start evacuations immediately, and get as many people afety within half an hour."

He added, "And as for this man, keep him alive only until he gives up the password. If the bomb goes off, he dies too. Everyone else, follow me!"

Uriah, realizing the gravity of Kallum's words, covered his hand in shock. "Kallum! Are you trying to kill me? Don't you care about the lives of those hundred thousand people!"

A sardonic smirk curled on Kallum's lips. Facing his own imminent death, he had little left to lose. Moreover, he recognized the deep–seated malice in Uriah's eyes–a man of considerable influence and vengeful disposition was too dangerous to be left at large.

Additionally, Uriah's reckless tampering with the K Virus was proof enough of his decayed ethical compass. To Kallum, ensuring such a man never wielded power again was not just a choice but a necessity.

If it meant making the hard decisions, so be it; he had always been prepared to make sacrifices, whether on the battlefield or beyond.

He felt assured in his resolve, believing firmly that his decision to prioritize saving Calista was the most righteous decision he had ever made.

So, Calista, wait for me!

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Chapter 108 Cannot Die Now

At that very moment, Calista was sprinting with every ounce of strength she had.

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The landscape was engulfed in flames, as though the whole mountain had been set ablaze. Vast plumes of smoke rose, casting the sky in ominous tones of crimson and black.

Calista did not know the identity of those seeking to eliminate Uriah, yet she was firmly convinced of one truth–irrespective of their identity, they could not be trusted.

Her continued existence was now entirely reliant on her own resourcefulness and resilience. Despite the temporary numbing of the pain from her leg wound, Calista found she could still run. Nevertheless, the reality of her injury impeded her; no matter how swift her pace, she could never outpace an unscathed. assassin

She had just neutralized two adversaries, yet two more pursued her relentlessly. These remaining foes were tenacious, akin to maggots burrowing into bone, determined to bring about her downfall.

She could not afford to merely sit back and accept her fate. As dizziness began to cloud her vision, a creeping dread took hold in Calista's heart—she was feeling the effects of the drug that had been administered to her earlier.

Amidst this crisis, she was being actively hunted. Desperately fighting the encroaching vertigo, she sought refuge and a momentary hiding spot.

"Where did she go? That woman is truly remarkable! Even with her injuries, she's incredibly fast!" one voice remarked in the distance.

"Don't wander too far," another cautioned sternly. "That woman is dangerous. I just witnessed her break Ray's neck with nothing but her bare hands! She's no mere woman!"

Imph, Ray was always led astray by his desires. It was only a matter of time before his downfall would be brought about by a woman."

"Stay alert. Our communication lines are down, and we're blind to the events unfolding lower down the mountain. Once she's dealt with, we must make our escape immediately!"

Camouflaged within a small depression in the ground, Calista's body was smeared with mud, blending her into her surroundings. The soil provided an excellent disguise, although her head felt increasingly heavy, as if she might succumb to sleep at any minute.

No, I can't let that happen! I have to pass on the password. If I don't, all those people will die, and my journey here would be all for naught!

Moreover, the military district is alarmingly close to the refugee camp. If Kallum's there....

A bitter chuckle escaped Calista.

Oh, Calista. Kallum has given up on you. Though it was for a noble cause, his decision affection... it never ran as deep as he claimed. Why are you still thinking about him?

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By then, the two men had closed in on her location. Hidden in a muddy hollow, she observed their cautious maneuvers, her heart racing, her gaze icy and alert.

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Just then, a rabbit darted into the bushes nearby. The men, mistaking the sound for Calista, spun around abruptly.

One stood guard while the other, armed with a gun, moved toward the bushes.

This is my chance!

A predatory gleam sparked in Calista's eyes. Despite her numerous injuries, if she passively awaited. capture, her end would be certain. However, she now saw an opening.

The man was about twenty meters away—within striking distance. She could take her shot!

Calista raised her gun, aiming at the man whose back was turned, completely absorbed in his guard duty. The double vision plaguing her only worsened. She bit down on her tongue and pulled the trigger with a loud bang. Without waiting to see if she had hit her target, she swiftly rolled into another patch of grass.

Despite her speed, the assassin, alerted by the gunshot, quickly traced her movements and caught up almost instantaneously.

He fired two shots, both missing their target, then advanced a few steps before Calista, leaping from a tree, seized his head and disarmed him.

The adversary was skilled. Though Calista was formidable, he managed to retaliate, knocking the gun from her hand and drawing his dagger.

Seizing the moment, Calista lunged, needle in hand, aiming for his neck. Drained of energy, the effects of her attack were minimal, but she did not relent.

Anticipating his next move, she fiercely bit into his neck. The numbness in his limbs caused by her initial assault allowed her to overpower him, and he collapsed.

reacted with a desperate thrust of his dagger. In a display of extraordinary ferocity, Calista grabbed his Te-wielding hand, refusing to loosen her grip even as blood surged from the wound.

The man, realizing the imminent danger, freed his other hand and began to strike her. Each blow was punishing, but Calista, driven by a primal urge to survive, clamped her teeth tighter around his neck, her grip unyielding.

No matter how madly he pounded on her or pulled her hair, she remained unmoved, biting down on his neck while clinging onto the hand that wielded the dagger.

It was a battle for survival with no room for a third outcome.

I can't die here. My enemies, my hatred, and my very life are at stake!

Fueled by these thoughts, her bite intensified, gradually diminishing the force of his blows until she had fully immobilized the hand with the dagger.

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"He's dead..." Calista murmured to herself, her tone hollow as she continued to bite him, only letting go after a lingering moment had passed.

She then methodically sat upright and, with a disconcerting serenity, checked his pulse. There was no doubt about it he was undoubtedly dead.

As she sat there, her body slackened, every muscle and limb throbbing with intense pain. It was only now that the stark realization that she had indeed taken a life firmly implanted itself in her mind.

Just moments before, she had been propelled by a singular, driving thought-she must not die.

Thus, every action she had taken was to stave off her own demise. But now, with those who had been pursuing her lying lifeless, the vivid memories of how she had dispatched each of them flooded back to her.

She had crushed the first man's skull, broken the second man's neck, shot the third, and bitten the fourth to death

Throughout it all, she exhibited not a hint of fear, no terror, nor any tremors of guilt.

Suddenly. Calista found herself laughing quietly, her hands covering her face. It was evident she was laughing, yet her expression could just as easily have been mistaken for one of wailing, albeit without shedding a single tear.

Have I transformed into a demon following my own tragic experiences? I've ended the lives of four individuals with such chilling precision! And even now, after their demise, I feel nothing... It's a numbness that terrifies me.

A deep sadness and an overwhelming fatigue washed over her. The distant echoes of gunfire were just that distant. Surrounded by the burning, jungle, she felt as though she had reverted to being the forsaken

forever hiding and fleeing, living in a perpetual state of fear.

I really want to sleep... No, wait! I still have the password!

Energy all but drained from her body, Calista frantically searched the dead man's body with trembling hands, but found no communication device. She staggered to her feet, but as she did, a wave of dizziness from the medication struck her, pushing her to her physical limits.

Her legs buckled, sending her to one knee. Then, a gunshot echoed through the air.

Calista gasped in shock, whipping her head around only to see the man she had shot earlier. Someone had delivered a fatal shot to his head, and he collapsed limply to the ground.

Clearly, her earlier shot had found its mark, but had not immediately killed him. Moreover, he had just attempted ah ambush. Luckily, someone had intervened on her behalf. Otherwise, her fate would have been sealed...

Struggling to remain conscious, Calista managed to lift her head, curious to see her rescuer. However, as the effects of the medication surged through her veins, she collapsed. Initially, she braced for impact with the ground, but, to her surprise, she found herself caught in someone's arms.

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man's arm.

With this, those people wouldn't have to die; there should be enough time... Could saving lives possibly balance out the sin of taking one?

Overwhelmed, Calista was no longer capable of such reflections as she slipped into unconsciousness.

Kallum tightened his embrace around her body. The sight of someone attempting to assassinate her had made his heart stop. Almost instinctively, he had fired a shot.

Thankfully, she was alive. Despite the numerous injuries she had sustained, she persisted resiliently in clinging to life.

After holding her briefly, Kallum suddenly released Calista with a hint of alarm and handed her over to Elijah who stood waiting behind him.

He was apprehensive that he might have already contracted the K Virus. Since Calista was injured and vulnerable, if she were to get infected, everything he had accomplished that day would have been for naught.

Initially, Elijah found it rather odd. Why would Mr. Kallum go to such lengths to save someone yet not even embrace them once! However, upon noticing the affection in the man's gaze, it was clear that he really cared about her.

"Take her back to tend to her wounds," Kallum instructed.

Upon hearing this, Elijah quickly breathed a sigh of relief, "Mr. Kallum, she's been rescued. You should seek treatment yourself! You're not just anyone... Even though the antibody wasn't administered in time, you'll definitely be okay!"

Kallum could fee! his body rapidly deteriorating, but he couldn't bring himself to voice these concerns. So,

remained silent, directly dialing the military district, and communicated the crucial password to them.

Ultimately, a hundred thousand lives were saved. Yet, who could have possibly anticipated that the hero responsible for their salvation was merely a young lady?

Not only had she adeptly evaded the clutches of those who pursued her, but she had also struck back, neutralizing those who sought to cause her harm and in doing so, she safeguarded countless lives.

This heroism was unmistakably characteristic of Calista.

Kallum had long recognized that beneath any changes, Calista retained a fundamentally kind–hearted nature. She had merely encased her intrinsic goodness within a shell of newfound resilience and determination.

Perhaps this transformation was fortuitous; he realized he might not always be there to protect her in the times ahead, but she had proven that she could indeed protect herself.

He believed that the memory of Calista's visage at that moment would linger with him until his final days.

Resolute and sharp, her figure set against the backdrop of a forest engulfed in flames, where the towering inferno could not even diminish the intensity of her presence. He felt immense gratitude for having been there to aid her—surely, this would be remembered as the most fortuitous decision of his life.

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the bodies were incinerated on the spot. Uriah had met his demise alongside those he had dismissed as "inferior."

The once loyal subordinates of the Jurickson family, indoctrinated from a young age, were now nearly entirely extinct. It appeared that their story had reached its definitive conclusion.

By the time Calista regained consciousness, she found herself back in her home country. The familiar settings enveloped her in a wave of confusion.

How did I end up here? Was the bomb successfully deactivated? Who saved me back then?

As she opened her eyes, the nurse overseeing her care was overcome with clation. "You're finally awake! You've been unconscious for six days!"

Without responding. Calista rubbed her temples. It was then the door swung open to reveal Benedict.

"Callie, you're finally awake!"

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He was trailed by Yelena and Quincy, who made it rather obvious that their visit wasn't merely to "check in on the sick."

Calista felt the urge to speak, yet the sharp pain in her throat prevented any words from forming. She could do nothing but listen attentively to Benedict's chastising tone.

"I can't believe you, you know. You were supposed to be relaxing on vacation, and yet somehow you managed to get injured and tumble off a cliff? You absolutely scared me to death!"

I fell off a cliff?

The realization that Benedict was oblivious to her recent perilous adventures caused Calista to exhale a sigh of relief. The implications of anyone discovering her escapades in Lostaria were dire; it would make- her a prime target for any remaining villains, ending her peaceful days once and for all.

However, Quincy seemed less than sympathetic, her voice tinged with acrimony as she remarked,

finally awake. Had you slept any longer, Mr. Kallum would have surely ended up with someone cu're

Calista fixed Quincy with a piercing stare, her eyes ablaze with intensity.

"Quincy! Stop spouting such nonsense, your sister has just awakened!" Benedict interjected with a tone of

concern.

Yet, it was evident that Quincy was agitated. Far from holding back, she only raised her voice further.

"Am Ically speaking nonsense? It's the talk of the town! Everyone is buzzing about how enamored Mirabelle is. Despite Lostaria being at war, she rushed to see Mr. Kallum as soon as she got back. And when Mr. Kallum got injured, she was the only one allowed to care for him, no one else was permitted near him If that doesn't tell you something, what will?"

sudden stab of pain pierced Calista's heart.

"You said... Mirabelle went to... Lostaria?" Calista's voice was raspy and strained, each word carefully enunciated.

"Exactly! Just a week ago, Mirabelle went to Lostaria! Then she returned alongside Mr. Kallum! Now, with Mr. Kallum injured, she's the one tending to him. I'm telling you, your fiancée title is in jeopardy!"

"Quincy!" Benedict exclaimed, attempting to halt her tirade.

But it was too late for Calista.

Seven days prior, the very day she had been captured and when Kallum had abandoned her. Had he left her to fend for herself against life—threatening dangers while he was romancing Mirabelle?

This thought had scarcely crossed her mind when suddenly, she spat out a mouthful of blood.

Kallum betrayed me!

Once this idea took root, Calista found herself grappling with a depth of hatred she had never known: a bitterness that even surpassed the resentment she harbored toward Quincy.

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"Callie!" Benedict cried out in shock. He quickly summoned a doctor. The doctor arrived promptly, first ensuring that all the relatives were ushered out before he began to examine Calista, carefully wiping away the blood.

Calista sank back onto the bed, and in that brief respite, her thoughts regained a semblance of clarity.

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"Ms. Stafford, your current condition is quite precarious. We urge you to steer clear of any severe emotional disturbances. Should you fail to comply, your condition might deteriorate further, complicating our efforts to assist you, the doctor advised with a stern tone.

Calista looked at him, her icy gaze briefly causing the doctor to falter, a rare occurrence in his career.

"I understand," she responded, her voice still hoarse but significantly steadier than before. "Thank you, Doctor. I will cooperate fully with the treatment."

She shifted her gaze away, allowing the doctor to breathe a sigh of relief, feeling as though he had narrowly averted a crisis. He promptly gave some instructions, left a nurse in charge, and made a hasty

exit.

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What she did not realize was that her aura had grown markedly more intense after personally taking multiple lives. Her cold, detached gaze now carried an unmistakable sense of danger, instilling deep- scated fear in anyone it landed on.

At that moment. Benedict re–entered, his face marked with concern.

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Initially, Benedict was hesitant to agree, but recognizing it was the first time Calista had sought to be closer to Yelena, he saw it as a positive development. After all, they were family and there was no need to perpetuate any strife.

Upon hearing this, Yelena's face lit up with a smile. "Absolutely, I'll take good care of Callie. Oh, Callie, you've had me so worried!"

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debacle, yet Calista had emerged unscathed! Managing this cunning b*tch is becoming increasingly challenging

Despite this, she replied with a confident grin. "Don't you trust me to manage things? Didn't you mention that work is piling up at the office? Go ahead, I'll handle everything here!"

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