

Love Slave 225

225 Accusations and Defenses

"I guess nowadays people don't need papers to get married..." I mumbled.

"It's not about our preferences. Her father won't allow it," he replied before he heaved a sigh.

"Is it because you're too poor for her?" I asked without mincing my words.

I wouldn't be surprised if Elizabeth's father saw Kyle as someone who isn't worthy of his daughter. Knowing what the real Kyle was like, if I had a daughter, I'll keep her far away from him for sure. On top of that, if I had a fortune as massive as that of the Chase family then I would work triple hard to safeguard it and keep it away from Kyle. I knew from my time with Kyle that he was a decently well-off city boy; however, I doubt that his fortune could compare to that of the Chase family.

"When did you become so mean?" he asked before he rolled his eyes at me.

"I guess I'm right then..." I said before I laughed a little mercilessly.

"It's not just about the money. He hates me and basically thinks that I'm a good-for-nothing person," Kyle said before he shoved some food into his mouth.

"I can see where he's coming from and I have to say that I truly agree with him on this one," I replied before I flashed Kyle a smile.

"Have you had enough? Did you drag me out to dinner with you just to chew me out about this?" Kyle asked with clear irritation.

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"You know when I heard that you married Elizabeth Chase, I did wonder why someone like her would want to marry someone like you..." I said as I tilted my head a little to the side.

Kyle's eyes narrowed at me, and I could tell that he wasn't pleased with what he had just heard. However, I didn't care what he thought of what he felt.

"You might not believe it, but I'm trying my best to make things work out with her and also her father," Kyle said.

"Does that include stealing my storyboard and my ideas from me too? You wanted to win that competition to impress Elizabeth and her father, is that it?" I asked before I shook my head from side to side in dismay.

I found it so difficult to believe that I used to really like this guy. I thought that he was great and a very caring person. How did he turn out to be such a cheating loser?

"Instead of bringing up the past, I think you should be more worried about the present and how to handle the future. I told you before to stay away from Ace. He's got something fishy going on for sure..." Kyle said with a sneer.

"Don't you dare badmouth Ace!" I snapped at him immediately.

"I don't know why you like that guy so much..." Kyle muttered as if talking to himself.

"You just don't like Ace because he was engaged to Elizabeth, right?" I asked before I grinned wryly at him.

"That too, but I still don't like him. I don't know what Elizabeth's father sees in him, honestly. He's all over the place. I'm not saying that I'm a great guy, but Ace is just all over the place..." Kyle said with a look of disgust.

"What do you even mean by that?" I asked.

"I think he's not committed to anything. He was working for Jessen's and Hill's under his father and then one day, he just randomly leaves. He left the company and the country for that matter. Then suddenly, he comes back to take over. I don't even think he's serious about his job right now either..." Kyle said with a shrug.

"Don't act and speak like you know Ace when you don't know anything about him. Ace works really hard and he is very committed to his work," I argued passionately.

I've seen Ace stay up late at night and I've seen him so excited and tired about his work. Ace works harder than any of us just to keep the company together and moving forward at an amazing pace. The way Kyle spoke as if he knew everything about Ace really pissed me off.

"I doubt it. One day, he'll just get sick of it all again and then he'll take off to some random island in the tropics where he can enjoy life sunbathing on the beach..." Kyle said sarcastically.

I had no idea why Kyle seemed to hate Ace so much, but it probably boiled down to the fact that Ace was engaged to Elizabeth and that they could be engaged in an affair right now.

"I don't think so. I think that Ace has changed, and he is now very serious about his job and working for the future of the company. Rather than worrying about Ace, I suggest that you worry about your relationship with Elizabeth first," I snapped at him heatedly.

Ace has changed and I was there by his side all the way through his journey of change. It was probably true to a certain extent that Ace didn't take his job completely seriously before. He used to skip out on many meetings and hid away to take naps during workdays. However, he always showed interests when it came to key projects that were vital to the company's performance. Lately, especially since he'd made that promise with his father, he's been working terribly hard to grow the company. Of course, I had no idea whether he was going to run off to a faraway island somewhere or not in the future; however, if I had to bet on it, then I would bet that it wasn't very likely.

"We'll both see about that sooner or later..." Kyle said, and it was clear that he wasn't at all convinced.

"Are you...worried that Ace and Elizabeth will get back together?" I asked while wondering if I also feared that alternative as well.

"They were never really together. I know this...but that doesn't mean that they don't want to be together now. Maybe things have changed..." Kyle replied solemnly.