

## **Luna & Joshua 1451**

### Chapter 1451

Ding!

The elevator doors slide open.

Heather strode out of the elevator and said to the man following behind her, "Father, I've always respected Jim, but what he did this time has crossed the line! "

As she said this, she let out an exasperated sigh and continued, "I know that ever since Jim found out that he's not you and Mother's real son, he's

thought of himself as an outsider like me...but...he's still your son...

"How can he do something like this? He knew fully well that Mother had fallen ill and can't afford to be aggravated right now, yet he still brought the woman who killed Aura to see her.

"Is he trying to kill Mother?"

Heather wiped her tears and added, "Father, I know Jim has always been worried that an outsider like me will receive such good treatment that I'll compete against him for the inheritance...

"But ever since what happened last time, I've learned from my mistake, and I don't even hold any

position in Landry Group anymore, so why is he still doing this?

“The Landry family fortune already belongs to him, so why is he trying to kill Mother so that you will be upset and pass on the inheritance to him?”

Charles followed behind her with an air of dominance and malice so powerful that the entire hallway felt

as though it had frozen over.

He narrowed his eyes.

He did not understand why Jim had become a person like this. He had not inherited the kindness and humility of his mother Lucy at all!

The two of them arrived at Rosalyn’s ward. Jim, who had been staring intently at Luna and Rosalyn inside the room, furrowed his brows and turned when he heard their footsteps.

Smack!

The first thing he felt was the shooting pain of Charles’ slap!

Charles had instilled all the strength in his body within this slap.

Despite being almost 190 centimeters in height, Jim was as skinny as a lamppost after having lost

weight due to his constant worrying.

Therefore, Charles' slap was so forceful that Jim staggered backward and had to grab hold of the edge of a window to stop himself from falling.

The imprint of Charles' hand surfaced on his face. After steadying himself, Jim wiped away the blood at the edge of his lip and glared at Charles. "It's already so late. What are you doing here, Father?"

Charles narrowed his eyes and scoffed. "If I hadn't come, I probably won't be able to see Rosalyn ever again! "

He pointed at Jim's face in fury and snapped, "You good -for-nothing rascal! Even though you're after the inheritance, you shouldn't have brought the murderer who killed Rosalyn's daughter here to see her! What are you trying to do?"

Jim narrowed his eyes and glanced at Heather coldly.

At this moment, Heather was standing behind Charles, a triumphant smile playing on her lips.

"You say that Luna is the murderer who killed Aura, eh? " Jim squinted at Charles coldly. "What evidence do you have to prove that Luna killed Aura?"

"All the investigation results in Banyan City have come out, and it showed that after killing the florist,

Aura had set fire to Joshua and Luna's home with gasoline!

"How can you say Luna killed her, then?"

Charles grew even more outraged when he heard this. He let out a snort and said, "Are you an idiot?"

Banyan City is Joshua Lynch's territory. Do you think he'll let us find out the truth of what happened?"

"That's right." Heather could not help pursing her lips in approval. "Of course Joshua would want Luna

to appear innocent. That's why no matter what she does, he'll help her cover up the truth!" Charles'

expression darkened when he heard this. "Heather is right."

Chapter 1452

Charles stared at Jim in fury and snapped, "Aura is your half-sister, but not only did you not help her

when she was in Banyan City, you even let her die!

"If that's not enough, not only did you defend Luna, but you even brought her here to visit Rosalyn!

What are you up to?"

Charles glanced through the window and into Rosalyn's room as he said this.

As soon as he saw what was going on inside, he was so shocked that he could not say anything.

At this moment, Luna was sitting next to Rosalyn's bed, resting her head on Rosalyn's shoulder.

Rosalyn, who should have been outraged by this, was staring at Luna with tenderness as she gently stroked her hair.

This scene...

This was not how two rivals should have behaved.

They looked more like a pair of long-lost mothers and daughters instead!

Jim let out a chuckle when he saw the shocked look on Charles' face. "Do you think this is how two mortal enemies should behave, Mr. Landry?"

Charles was rendered speechless by the sight before him.

How... How could this be?

Heather bit her lip and quickly blocked Charles' view. "Father, please don't be tricked by this.

"Mother is gravely ill now, and she's probably confused. Maybe...she misses Aura so much that she's hallucinating and mistook Luna as Aura."

As she said this, Heather wiped her tears away. "Poor Mother..."

“The daughter she has raised was discovered to be someone else’s, and Luna killed her biological daughter.

“Now, she’s in such a delirious state that she mistook a murderer as her daughter...”

A twinge of pain shot through Charles’ heart when he heard this. He took a few steps back, pain and fury etched in his eyes.

The person that he owed the most was Rosalyn.

In the past, he had canceled his engagement with Rosalyn to be together with Lucy, but in the end, Lucy had died a tragic death.

After Lucy’s death, he had been in so much grief that he mistook Rosalyn, who had taken care of him, as Lucy in his confused state.

Later down the line, Rosalyn had gotten pregnant and gave birth to their daughter...

As soon as he thought of this, Charles felt as though someone had stabbed a knife through his heart.

He understood the pain and agony of missing someone so much to mistake other people as them.

Charles lifted his head and stared at Jim with bloodshot eyes. “Even though Rosalyn isn’t your birth mother, she has raised you for so many years!

“How dare you treat her like this, knowing that she has fallen ill? Do you have a heart?”

Jim let out a sneer and turned to glance at Heather, who was still blocking Charles’ view of the room. “

He’s talking about you. Mother has raised you for so many years, so why are you treating her like this?”

The color drained from Heather’s face. “I don’t know what you’re talking about.”

“Is that so?” Jim snickered and signaled for his assistant to approach them. “Actually, I have done

something for Aura while I was in Banyan City.

“After she died, I went to the police station to collect a sample of her DNA. Then, I returned and

compared it to Father, Mother, and your DNA.

“Do you want to guess what the results were?”

Chapter 1453

“What else would it be?”

Heather’s expression darkened as she snatched the report away from Jim. “Are you suggesting that

Aura wasn’t Mother and Father’s daughter, and instead Luna is?

“It’s already been confirmed that Aura was their daughter, so you’re just making this DNA report up to

mislead us! “

With that, she flipped the folder open.

As she had expected, the information within the file confirmed that she and Aura were blood-related,

whereas neither of them was related to Charles or Rosalyn!

A glimmer of malice flashed through Heather’s eyes. She extended her hands as though she were

about to tear the papers apart. “Aura is already dead, so why are you choosing to insult her using this?

Do you have no heart?”

Before she could rip the folder apart, Jim snatched it back from her and sneered, “Heather, you say that

I faked this report, so why are you so desperate to destroy it? Are you afraid that Father and Mother will

see its contents?”

As he said this, he handed the report to Charles and added, “It’s okay; I understand how you’d think I

’m trying to insult Aura. After all, you’re her sister, and of course you’d protect her, just like how Luna

and I are siblings, and I’ll always protect her, too.”

With that, he took out a transparent resealable bag that contained a few strands of hair within it. “I



pulled these hairs off Luna's head just now.

"Aura's body has already been burnt to ashes, so you can't tell me these belong to Aura, can you? If

you don't believe me, then I '11 go inside and pull a few more off Luna's head."

With that, Jim reached up and plucked a strand of hair off his head, then Charles'. He tossed all these

hairs into the transparent bag and said, "With the advanced technology we have now, it'll take only a

few hours to know the DNA comparison results.

"Do you want to take this risk, Heather?"

The color drained from Heather's face when she heard this.

Judging from the way Heather looked, as well as her anxiousness to destroy the DNA report...

Charles could put two and two together. After all, he was not an idiot.

He furrowed his brows and flipped the folder open.

As soon as he laid eyes on the text, he could feel the blood rise in his chest.

Jim quickly placed a few photos he had brought from Banyan City into Charles' hand and said, "These

are the pictures of Luna before she underwent her

plastic surgery. And this is one of her and Joshua Lynch. I'm sure it's convincing enough."

Charles' hands started to tremble as he gazed at the photos in front of him.

That face...was identical to how Rosalyn had looked when she was younger!

However, after getting married to him, Rosalyn had been preoccupied with taking care of both him and the Landry Group. On top of that, she even had to formulate drugs to suppress his uncontrollable emotions...

Because of this, she had been under so much stress that she aged quickly, so much so that he did not even realize it until it had happened.

Therefore, as soon as he saw these photos of Luna, Charles could not help but feel like crying.

He suppressed his emotions and lifted his head to glare at Heather. "Aura is your biological sister?"

Heather's face was as pale as a ghost. At this point, she knew that she had no way of hiding the truth anymore, so she grabbed onto Charles' arm and started sobbing, "Father, I...I had no idea!

"I always thought that...Aura was you and Mother's daughter...and Luna is my biological sister...

"I...I had no idea about any of this..."

She bit her lip and added, "Maybe she had tricked me, just like how she had deceived you... I believed

her when she said she was your real daughter...”

With that, she lifted her head to stare at Charles pitifully. “But Father...you and Mother...didn’t notice this either, did you?”

Charles felt as though someone had stabbed him in his heart.

Chapter 1454

Charles narrowed his eyes and pushed Heather’s body away from the glass window.

Inside the room, Rosalyn smiled as she chatted with Luna.

Charles watched the weak smile on Rosalyn’s face through the glass.

It had been a long time since he last saw her smile.

Ever since she married him, she had been subjected to nothing but jeers and taunts.

People called her a mistress and accused her of breaking Charles and Lucy apart...

She was called plenty of insulting things, yet she had endured all of them through the years. She would always tell her that everything was fine, but he had not seen her smile like this for a long time.

Charles could not stop himself from pushing the door open.

As soon as the door was swung open, Luna's voice rang out from within the room, "Nigel is a skilled hacker, Neil is a kind and loving boy, and Nellie is a talented designer.

"The three of them are extremely well-behaved children. If you... If you can survive this, you'll have a chance to meet them in the future..."

When she heard the sound of the door creaking behind her, Luna let go of Rosalyn's hand and stood up, gently wiping away her tears. Then, she let out an exhale and said, "Mrs. Landry, it's getting late now, so I'd better go home and rest. The children will be worried about me if I sleep too late.

"We'll meet again in the future! "

With that, she gave Rosalyn a small bow and turned to leave.

"Luna...Luna! " Seeing that she was about to leave, Rosalyn quickly got out of her bed to grab hold of her.

All the IV drips and electrodes attached to her body were pulled apart, causing the machines and medical equipment to clatter onto the floor.

The IV drip bottle crashed onto the floor and broke into smithereens.

However, Rosalyn, who had always been gentle and cautious, took no notice of this at all and sprinted

toward the door to grab hold of Luna's arm.

Luna turned around when she heard the crash behind her.

The first thing she saw was Rosalyn's injured feet as she stepped onto the shards of glass, causing blood to seep out across the floor.

However, Rosalyn stared at Luna's face as though she could not feel any pain at all. "You... Please remember to come back and visit me.

"I'll hold on. No matter what you choose... I still hope that you'll come back to visit me! "

Luna clenched her teeth. Even though she was feeling all sorts of emotions in her mind, she did not show them on her face. Instead, she stared at Rosalyn's bare, bloody feet and replied, "I will. You should get some rest, Mrs. Landry."

With that, she turned and left.

"Mother! " Jim stormed into the room, picked Rosalyn up, and placed her back onto her bed.

Luna left the room.

Charles glanced first at Jim, then at Heather, who was standing expressionless at the door.

Finally, he could not help chasing after Luna and stopping her as she waited for the elevator. "Luna!

Dad wants to have a chat with you."

Luna turned to glance at him impassively. "Dad? I didn't know you were a comedian, Mr. Landry."

A twinge of pain shot through Charles' heart when he heard this. He let go of Luna's arm and said in a

low voice, "I know...I don't deserve to be your father..."

"In the past...I shouldn't have sent you to the orphanage...just because I was unwilling to admit my

relationship with Rosalyn and admit that I had betrayed Lucy..."

Chapter 1455

Luna closed her eyes and let out a bitter chuckle.

When she was in the ward with Rosalyn, she pitied her because she knew that, like herself, Rosalyn

was a woman who would sacrifice everything for the man she loved.

Maybe she had inherited Rosalyn's loyalty.

After Lucy died, Rosalyn knew fully well that Charles' heart did not belong to her, yet she willingly

looked after him and helped him take care of the Landry Group as a friend.

This went on for three years until, one day, Charles had too much to drink and mistook her for Lucy.

The two of them slept together, which led to Luna's birth.

However...

Charles was unwilling to admit that he had slept with Rosalyn since this was a betrayal of his promise

to Lucy. Therefore, he sent Luna, who was so young that she could not even remember anything yet, to

an orphanage in Sea City.

When Rosalyn found out, she quickly rushed to the orphanage to search for her. Joseph, who had

been working at the orphanage at that time, saw this and switched out his daughter Heather with Luna.

This was how Heather had become the heiress of the Landry family, while Luna was raised by the

Gibsons, who had never treated her as their own, no matter

how outstanding she was. All of this was Charles' fault.

However, Rosalyn had told Luna not to blame Charles for this.

"It was all my fault. I shouldn't have given birth to you without letting Charles know, and I shouldn't have

told your grandfather about this. If your grandfather hadn't forced Charles to marry me, he wouldn't

have abandoned you out of desperation...”

As soon as Luna recalled what Rosalyn had told her with her barely audible voice in the ward, she felt as though someone was pricking her heart.

She stared at the man before her and could not understand why someone as kind and gentle as Rosalyn would sacrifice so much for him.

Charles felt his heart leap into his chest when he saw the cold look in Luna’s eyes. He could not help recalling what had happened when he had abandoned Luna at the orphanage...

At that time, Luna had just learned to walk and talk. When he turned and left, he could hear her high-pitched wails. “Daddy! “

At that time, the sound of her voice pained him so much that he could barely breathe, but...he still chose to leave her.

He had even thought that without this child, he would not have to marry Rosalyn anymore and that he would be able to keep his promise to Lucy.

More than 20 years passed...

Luna’s eyes were still as clear as he remembered, but she would never call him Daddy again.



At this moment, the look in Luna's eyes was so murderous that it was as though she were looking at her mortal enemy.

Charles' heart sank, and he got onto his knees with a thud. He reached out to grab hold of Luna's hands. " My daughter... I 'll never be able to make this up to you..."

Luna was shocked by Charles' sudden action. She quickly flung his hands away and exclaimed, "Mr. Landry! Please get up! I don't need you to kneel for me, and I'm not your daughter either! "

Heather, who had been watching all of this unfold from a distance, curled her lips into a sneer and said, "Luna, can't you forgive Father, knowing how guilty he's feeling?"

"Father is getting old now, and his knees are brittle, so why are you letting him kneel for you?"

Luna bit her lip and glared at Heather, then lowered her head. "Mr. Landry! Please get up! I have nothing to do with you at all!

"I was no longer your daughter nor a member of the Landry family ever since you abandoned me at the orphanage. Please let go of me! "

However, Charles gripped Luna's hand with all his might, determined not to let go of her.

"Luna," he bleated in a low, hoarse voice. "You saw how your mother looked. If you hadn't shown up, she wouldn't have survived past today at all. Please, I beg you..."

"Please don't go. Stay with us, will you?"

"I admit all the mistakes I had committed in the past, and I promise I'll make it up to you in the future"

"She doesn't need you to make it up to her, nor will she stay." Before Charles could finish his sentence, a cold voice rang out from the direction of the stairwell.

Both Luna and Charles froze, then glanced in the direction of the voice.

Joshua, dressed entirely in black, was standing at the stairwell, his lips curled into a cold sneer.

It seemed that he had been here for a while.

Seeing that the two of them were staring at him, Joshua smirked and strode over to them. Then, he

flung Charles' hand away from Luna and pulled her into his arms.

Charles was enraged by this, and he clenched his fists in fury. "Joshua Lynch!"

How dare this man appear before him?

He still had not gotten over what Joshua had done to Landry Group, which had almost rendered them bankrupt! How dare this man appeared before him and even put his hands around his daughter?

“Yes, that’s me.” Joshua curled his lips into a smirk and pulled Luna’s body closer. “Let me introduce you, Mr. Landry. This is Luna.

“She’s my wife. She was in the past, and she’ll continue to be my wife in the future.

“The Landry and Lynch families have been nemeses for many years, and for my wife to visit Mrs.

Landry while she’s gravely ill is already a generous favor. Please don’t overstep your boundaries, Mr.

Landry.

“She’ll never return to the Landry family, nor will she need you to make up for your mistakes.”

With that, Joshua and Luna disappeared into the elevator.

However, as soon as they entered, Charles grabbed hold of Joshua’s arm and shouted with bloodshot eyes, “You let go of my daughter! “

“Your daughter?” Joshua snickered as though he had heard the world’s most hilarious joke. “Did your family ever raise her, even if just for a day? Not only did you not, but you even took in Aura, the woman who had been targeting Luna all these years, as your Own.

“If it weren’t for you, Aura wouldn’t have made my son lose his memories, nor would he hurt Luna and me!

“If it weren’t for you, my daughter wouldn’t have gotten poisoned, and Granny Lynch wouldn’t have died just to give the antidote to my daughter.”

As he said this, Joshua flung Charles’ hand away. “Mr. Landry, my sons and daughter are also Luna’s sons and daughter.

“You abandoned Luna in Sea City and helped other people harm her, so what right do you have to ask Luna to return to your side?”

With that, Joshua pressed the close button. The elevator doors slid close.

Joshua pulled Luna into his arms and held her tightly. “Luna.

“Please come home with me, okay?”

Chapter 1457

The elevator descended from the top floor of the hospital.

All throughout the elevator ride, Joshua held Luna close to him.

Luna remained silent as she let him hold her. However, she did not say a single word in response to what Joshua had said.

Joshua, too, knew that Luna's mind was probably in a jumble of emotions, so he did not force her to give him an answer.

The elevator arrived on the first floor.

Luna slowly stepped out of the elevator as though her soul had been sucked out of her body.

What was Joshua doing here? How much did he overhear between her and Charles?

Joshua guessed that Luna must not have been in a mood to talk, so he did not say a word throughout the car ride back to Tea Cottage.

The two of them sat in the backseat in silence, gazing blankly at the passing view.

The air between them was eerily silent.

Never had they imagined that...one of them was a Lynch, and the other was a Landry.

Mortal enemies.

The Landry family had murdered Granny Lynch's daughter, Lucy, while the Lynch family killed Charles '

brother, Colin.

These two people's lives were entwined with numerous acts of vengeance and sabotage that almost led to Landry and Lynch Group's bankruptcies.

On top of that, with Granny Lynch's death added into the mix...

Many, many years of hatred and hostility. The car soon arrived at Tea Cottage.

As soon as the car stopped, Luna pushed open the door. Just as she was about to close the door behind her, Joshua frowned and called out, "Luna."

Luna lifted her head in response.

"The reason I came to Merchant City is to bring you home so that I can give you a proper wedding and the three children a home. Please don't disappoint us."

Luna closed her eyes and let out a bitter chuckle but did not reply.

She turned and gently stroked her stomach out of Joshua's view.

She, too, wanted to give this unborn baby...a home.

However, everything was leading in an entirely different direction, out of her control.

She could not change her birth parents, nor could she change the fact that she was born into the Landry family.

Before meeting Rosalyn, Luna had thought that she would be able to keep her distance from the Landry family, but after seeing how sad and helpless Rosalyn was...

Luna was starting to have second thoughts.

Maybe it was true that blood was thicker than water.

Perhaps it was because she and Rosalyn were too similar, and she could understand the pain she was going through perfectly.

Not only that, but Luna was thinking of giving Rosalyn a proper goodbye, but she knew that as soon as she returned to the Landry family, she would never be able to reconcile with Joshua ever again.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna felt her footsteps grow heavy. She slowly trudged into Tea Cottage, with Joshua watching her in silence.

He could tell from her silence and how she looked that she was hesitating. He bit his lip and recalled what Christopher had told him when he held him by his neck in the hospital.

“Actually, I have an idea that might prevent you and Luna from having to stay apart.

“If Rosalyn hadn’t fallen ill, Luna wouldn’t have agreed to visit her at all. I’m guessing that the Landry family will use Rosalyn’s illness as an excuse to force Luna to return to their side. Therefore, if we can cure Rosalyn before that, Luna will no longer have to return to the Landry family.

“As I said previously, there’s a cure for Rosalyn, but I’m missing a crucial ingredient called the Clinging Root, which grows on the edge of steep cliffs. “On top of that...it’s only found in Banyan City.”

Joshua closed his eyes and suddenly felt his body grow heavy.

Christopher had shown him the photos of the Clinging Root that he needed.

Joshua had seen those plants before, at the cliff where Fiona had plummeted to her death.

He had almost died there.

Joshua fell into silence for a long time, then finally took out his phone.

Chapter 1458

“Lucas, I’m making a quick trip back to Banyan City tomorrow.”

Lucas froze when he heard this. “Sir...are you sure about this?”



“We’ve just managed to get back on our feet here in Merchant City. On top of that, Luke has already taken over eighty percent of the gangs here.

“We’ll succeed very soon, so are you sure you want to leave Merchant City at a time like this?”

Joshua let out a sigh and replied, “I’ll return on my own. You and Luke can stay here and continue keeping an eye on things.

“But you can declare to the public that you’ve left with me so that people will think Lynch Group has given up trying to conquer Merchant City, okay?”

Lucas remained silent for a moment, then nodded. “Help me book a flight for tomorrow.”

With that, Joshua hung up the phone. Christopher would never lie to him.

He did not care whether this Clinging Root would be able to cure Rosalyn, nor did he care whether

Luna would go home with him after Rosalyn was successfully cured.

All he knew was that even if there were only a glimmer of hope...he would take it!

Luna spent the entire night tossing and turning. Bonnie, too, tossed and turned alongside her.

Even after knowing that Jim and Luna were just half- siblings, she was still upset, partly because of

Luna and partly because of how Jim had treated her.

She could not understand why Jim had refused to tell her that he had taken Luna to visit her birth mother.

What was wrong with telling her the truth? Did she mean so little to Jim that she did not deserve to hear any explanation?

As soon as she thought of this, Bonnie let out a sigh and clutched Luna's hand. "I don't think you should give up on Joshua so easily. He's...one of a kind."

This was the first man Bonnie had ever come across that was so loyal and dedicated that he was willing to sacrifice so much for Luna.

Luna closed her eyes and let out a bitter smile. "I don't want to give up on him either. It's just that..."

"Well, why not this?" Bonnie propped herself up and stared at Luna. "You should let Joshua wait for you.

"Didn't you say your mother won't survive long? You should let Joshua wait for you and return to his side after your mother has passed away.

"By that time, none of the vengeance between the Landry and Lynch families will have anything to do

with you anymore, so you won't have to contemplate all this! "

Luna wrung her hands together upon hearing this. " Will this...work?"

"I think so." Bonnie shrugged and continued, "Every time he comes to see you downstairs, he'd say

he's going to wait for you until you are willing to see him. Since he has already said that, it wouldn't be

an issue for him to wait a little longer.

"Besides, you've loved him for so many years, and he's only now reciprocating, so it won't be cruel to

let him wait a while, will it?"

Luna nodded solemnly when she heard this. "All right then. When he comes today...I'll tell him this."

If Joshua were willing to wait for her...then she would forgive him for what he had done.

After Rosalyn would pass on, she would be able to return to Banyan City with him!

As soon as she thought of this, Luna could not help anticipating Joshua's appearance beneath her

window.

However...

She waited from morning till afternoon, and Joshua did not show up.

"That's strange. " Bonnie frowned as she relayed her doubt to Harvey through the phone. "Where did

your Uncle Joshua go?”

Harvey pursed his lips and replied in a clear voice, “ Uncle Joshua packed his bags and returned to Banyan City.”

Luna’s heart sank when she heard this.

Had Joshua...returned to Banyan City already?

Had he...given up on her after knowing she was a member of the Landry family?

Chapter 1459

When she noticed Luna’s pale face, Bonnie furrowed her brows and asked in a low voice, “When did Joshua leave?”

Harvey contemplated this for a moment, then replied, “He packed his bags and left last night. As for what time, I’m not sure either—he was gone when I woke up this morning.

“Uncle Christopher told me that Uncle Joshua went back home to find something very important to him.”

Bonnie’s expression darkened when she heard this. Luna chewed her lip and went back upstairs.

Suddenly, she felt that her anticipation and waiting for the whole day seemed like a joke.

When faced with choosing between the Landry family and Joshua, she had contemplated it because she did not want to become strangers with this man.

On top of that, she had listened to Bonnie's suggestion to make a promise to Joshua that she would return to his side and marry after Rosalyn died.

What happened in the end?

Joshua had told her just the night before that he came all the way to Merchant City to bring her home and give the children a home.

However, when she did not give him an answer, he immediately packed his bags and returned to Banyan City to 'find something very important.'

Therefore...

After all this time, Joshua had not changed one bit.

Anything meant more to him than Luna, whether it was his vengeance to the Landry family or a so-called 'important thing.'

As soon as she returned to her room, Luna leaned against the door, tears sliding down her face silently.

She had known since the start what kind of person he was, so why did she even expect that he would change? Why did she ever think that he would be different?

Would someone be able to change their personality and core beliefs just because they were subjected to punishment and challenges?

Pain engulfed Luna's entire heart. All of a sudden, her phone rang.

It was a call from Nellie.

"Mommy! " Nellie's clear voice rang out from the other end of the line. "Why did Daddy come home without you?"

Luna could not help crying when she heard this. She bit her lip and tried to suppress her emotions so that Nellie could not hear her crying. "Mommy still needs to take care of some stuff here... Has your Daddy reached home?"

"Yes! " Nellie's voice sounded cheerful. "He even bought us all presents!

"But we still haven't seen him yet. When we woke up this morning, he had prepared breakfast for us and set aside our presents!

“The servant told us that Daddy has come home, but he left again because he has something more important to take care of. He’ll come back to find us as soon as he’s finished with his work.”

Nellie smiled and added, “Mommy, what is Daddy so busy with? Do you know what it is?”

Luna gripped her phone tightly and bit her lip. “ Mommy...doesn’t know.”

It turned out that Joshua had left the house even before waiting for the kids to wake up.

It seemed that whatever he was searching for was indeed very important to him.

More important than her and the children.

Luna wiped her tears away and sniffed. “Nellie, you and your brothers have to take good care of yourselves...”

“Mommy, are you crying?” Nellie noticed that Luna sounded different and quickly asked, “Did you and Daddy fight?”

The more considerate her daughter was, the more Luna felt upset. She bit her lip and replied, “No.

Mommy just...has a cold.”

Nellie fell into silence for a moment, then pouted and said, “Alright then, Mommy. Please take care of

yourself! Now that fall has come, the weather is getting colder, and it's easy to get sick! "

Luna sniffed. "You guys should take care of yourselves too... "

Luna clutched her phone tightly and gave Nellie a few parting words of concern before finally hanging up the phone.

As soon as she put down the phone, Luna slid along the door and plopped down onto the floor.

In the past, she used to think that she was the only person Joshua did not care about.

Chapter 1460

Luna realized something at that moment.

To Joshua, the children were not important either.

Luna lowered her head and placed her hand on her belly.

There was another child inside, one that was only a month old yet already had the unstoppable instinct to survive.

Was she willing to...give birth to this child and let it suffer?

This was a child that would not be a priority to its father.



All of a sudden, Luna was reminded of herself.

Many years ago, she, too, was deemed as unimportant by her birth father, Charles, and abandoned in the orphanage. In the end, she was switched out with another child, which led to her thereafter miserable life.

Would her child...suffer the same fate?

As soon as she thought of this, Luna closed her eyes and dialed Bonnie's number. "Help me buy some abortion pills."

Nigel, Neil, and Nellie were already six years old, and she was the only person who knew just how difficult it was to raise a child on her own.

Having the three of them by her side was more than enough.

Bonnie froze when she heard this. "Luna, don't be rash! You know that this child survived a fire!

"It's trying so hard to live, and you— "

"Bonnie." Luna closed her eyes and said, "Joshua has never thought of the children and me as priorities, so why should I bear another child for him?"

Bonnie fell into silence.

After a moment, she let out an exhale and said, “ Alright. I’ll go out and buy some for you right now. “

Banyan City.

Joshua and his men had been scouring the cliff tops for lo hours.

The bodyguards had gone for their lunch in shifts, but Joshua continued his search without stopping for food or water.

He remembered seeing the Clinging Root growing on the cliff’s edge outside Yellowstone Village.

However, he never expected that the storm in Yellowstone Village that had been raging for the past few days would have wiped out everything on the cliff.

No trace of the Clinging Root could be found.

Initially, he had wanted to find it at another place, but according to the villagers, only the sprouts of the Clinging Root would have been washed away by the rain.

There was a particular patch of Clinging Root that had grown on the edge of the cliff for almost ten years, through rain and shine. On top of that, this patch had potent healing properties

Therefore, Joshua decided to stay and continue searching for the lo-year-old Clinging root.

“Mr. Lynch, shall we take a break?”

It had been more than 10 hours, and the leader of Joshua’s search team was already exhausted.

However, Joshua frowned and shook his head. “ Continue searching.”

He wanted to find this Clinging Root as soon as possible and return to Merchant City by the next day.

Otherwise, if Luna were forced to return to the Landry family while he was gone, it would be too late!

As soon as he thought of this, Joshua tugged on his suspension rope and continued descending the side of the cliff.

However, for some reason, the latch on the suspension rope seemed to have gotten caught, and his entire body slid down uncontrollably—

“Mr. Lynch! “ The search team leader quickly descended after him, trying to save him from falling.

Joshua planted his feet on the side of the cliff a few times before finally managing to stop himself from falling.

He let out a sigh of relief and refastened the latch on his suspension rope. As soon as he lifted his

head, he caught sight of a flourishing patch of Clinging Root

growing out of a crack in the cliff.

Joshua grew excited when he saw this. Finally, he had found it!

He quickly climbed over and, using all the strength in his body, plucked the herb out and placed it into his bag.

However, he had used too much strength, and as soon as he stuffed the herb into his bag, his suspension rope loosened, and he plummeted down the side of the cliff—