

Luna & Joshua 1931

Chapter 1931

Bonnie had been standing outside the pantry for a while.

After Roanne brought her to Mickey to fix her broken finger, Bonnie rushed here as soon as she was done.

She was still worried about Gwen, after all.

Bonnie and Luna both knew the lengths that Charlotte was willing to go to just to get what she wanted, and Gwen, on the other hand, had been suffering from ill health for quite some time.

When Gwen first suggested the idea of disguising herself and Bonnie to trick Charlotte, both Bonnie and Luna were against this idea.

However, because Gwen had insisted, and even Luke had agreed, the two of them finally relented.

Despite this, Bonnie was still worried that Charlotte would, in a way, harm Gwen. Therefore, as soon as she was done, she sprinted toward the pantry without even thinking twice about her condition.

However, she never thought that...

The first thing she would see when she arrived was the scene of Jim intentionally hurting himself to save Charlotte.

She stared dazedly at Jim's red, blistered palm and suddenly felt as though something was missing from her heart.

Did Charlotte...mean that much to him?

Did Charlotte mean so much to him that he would put himself in danger to protect her?

What about her?

For the past year that she and Jim had been together, the thing she feared the most was Jim falling ill.

After all, Jim's father, Charles, had a psychiatric condition, so Bonnie had been worried that this disease was hereditary.

Therefore, over the past year, she had been buying Jim medications and supplements that would aid his mental stability and even started brewing herbs and traditional medicine that would help him, which was an impressive feat considering she had never cooked for anyone in her life.

There were a few occasions when she had accidentally fallen asleep sitting next to the stove out of exhaustion.

Every time this happened, Harvey and June would stumble upon her and wake her up, teasing her and telling her not to do something dangerous like this again.

However, she continued to do so in her spare time, all because she wanted nothing more than for Jim to be safe and healthy.

Alas...

The man she had taken such meticulous care of had put his bare hand on a boiling kettle to protect another woman.

Charlotte should have received the punishment she deserved....

Why did Jim have to suffer this pain when he had not done anything wrong at all?

Was this love?

If this was the case, then Jim had never loved Bonnie at all.

As soon as she thought of this, Bonnie met Luke's shocked gaze, forced out a crooked smile that looked more like a grimace, and turned to walk away.

The second she turned around, her tears fell silently down her face.

How stupid was she?

She should have known that coming to see Jim would not yield the outcome she wanted, yet she still held onto sheer dumb hope, hoping that he would be able to remember her.

In the end, reality slapped her squarely across the face, and mercilessly so.

Bonnie strode away from the pantry determinedly.

From this day onward, Jim Landry was dead to her!

“Luke?” Seeing that Luke was standing motionless at the door, Gwen furrowed her brows and chased after him.

When she reached Luke’s side, she caught sight of Bonnie walking away with her head held up high.

“She had probably been here for a while now...she must have seen everything.” Luke let out a sigh, put his arm around Gwen’s shoulder, and said, “I guess this might be a good thing. It’d b e good for her to learn to let go of someone unworthy of her time.”

Gwen immediately fell silent when she heard this.

She let out a bitter chuckle and lifted her head to glance at Luke’s chiseled face as though she wanted to say something. However, she opened her mouth, but nothing came out. Luke glanced at her,

frowning, having noticed that she had something to say.

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Gwen sniffed and quickly shifted her gaze away, unwilling to meet Luke's gaze. "I just suddenly remembered something.

"To you, I'm not someone worthy of your time, too, so why do you still want to keep me?"

Luke's frown grew even deeper upon hearing Gwen's words.

A split second later, he pulled Gwen closer to his body so forcefully that it was as though he would break her like a porcelain doll. "You're worth it; you're the only thing in my life that's worth my time."

Gwen closed her eyes as she let the feeling of being suffocated by Luke's embrace envelope her.

Was she?

Luke had said before that anyone he did not love was unworthy of his time.

At this moment, Gwen had finally confirmed a thought she had been having for a while.

She did not love Luke.

Not even a little bit.

“Are you okay, Jim?”

Meanwhile, inside the pantry, Charlotte leaped forward to clutch Jim’s blistered palm and sobbed, “I’ll ask the butler to summon a doctor right now! Hold on, Jim!”

With that, she quickly got up and sprinted to the door.

When she passed by Luna, Charlotte shot her a murderous glare and snapped, “It’s all your fault! If it weren’t for you, Gwen wouldn’t have gotten hurt, and neither would Jim. You doomed us all, you bitch!”

With that, she strode out of the room and disappeared.

Luna remained motionless, staring at Jim, who was trying to ignore the excruciating pain of his burnt palm. When she saw this, she could not help feeling as though an invisible hand was squeezing her heart.

She closed her eyes and stood motionless, defeated and utterly exhausted.

“It’s not your fault,” Joshua’s low, gentle voice rang out from the pendant around her neck.” You shouldn’t blame yourself for what happened. Also, you shouldn’t loiter too long there; come home as soon as you finish signing the contract. We wouldn’t want anything else to happen.”

Luna bit her lip, but she was so exhausted that she could not summon the energy to do anything apart from murmuring in response.

She never thought that her meeting with Jim would end so terribly and result in so many people getting hurt.

Soon, Jim's secretary finished drafting the contract.

Luna returned to the living room, where she signed the contract after glancing through it and making sure everything was correct.

When she, Luke, and Gwen left Landry Mansion, Charlotte was sitting in the living room, carefully applying some soothing balm on Jim's burn. "Jim, I know that I matter the world to you, but please... please don't hurt yourself for me again in the future."

Luna could not help sneering when she heard the feigned concern in Charlotte's voice.

Her words were dripping with worry and concern, but she had not uttered a single word when Jim had tried to mitigate Luke's anger toward her.

Not only that, but the first person to leap forward and stop Jim from putting his hand on the burning hot kettle was not her, but Luna instead.

If Charlotte truly cared about him, why would she be so slow in responding and stopping Jim from hurting himself?

Luna's heart was filled with a sense of helplessness and hatred-toward Charlotte-when she left Landry Mansion.

She was so preoccupied by her thoughts that she did not notice someone missing-Bonnie.

It was only after they had returned to Joshua's house that she finally realized that despite leaving Landry Mansion before them, Bonnie had yet to return to Joshua's place.

Luna was just about to take out her phone to call Bonnie when she suddenly remembered that Bonnie's phone was still broken.

Just as she was pacing herself, trying to figure out what to do, she received a call from a strange number.

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"Hello, is this Ms.

Luna?" a strange, unfamiliar voice rang out from the other end of the line.

Luna furrowed her brows and quickly answered, "Yes, speaking, and you are..."

"My name is Sean Wheeler, and I'm a car mechanic." The man's voice sounded rich and deep as he said, "Long story short, I came across a woman passed out on the side of the road when I took out the trash just now.

"She had no phone or identification on her, but I noticed that she seemed pretty ill, so I sent her to the nearest clinic.

After she woke up, she gave me this number and told me to contact you.

"She told me her last name is Craig.

Can you come pick her up?"

There was a hint of embarrassment in the man's voice as he explained, "I didn't bring any money out with me, so I couldn't pay for her treatment.

Can you bring some cash with you to pay the doctor too?"

Luna's entire face lit up when she heard this.

After enquiring about the clinic's address, Luna stormed out the door without even bothering to change

her clothes.

However, she had just taken two steps when someone grabbed hold of her arm.

She turned around with a frustrated look on her face.

Behind her, Joshua had picked up a trench coat from the coat rack next to the door and was standing behind her.

“You’re too impatient; I’m not going to let you drive alone.”

With that, he strode over to his black Masevati without even turning back.

Luna pursed her lips slightly, lunged toward the door, opened the door, and got in.

“Give me the address,” Joshua said impassively as he started the car.

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Luna quickly recited the address that Sean Wheeler had given her.

This was a very rundown part of town, so Luna quickly took out her phone and pulled up her navigation app, thinking that Joshua probably did not know how to get there.

However, to her surprise, he shot her an impassive glance and stopped her.

“No need; I know how to get there.”

Luna turned to stare at him, wide-eyed in disbelief.

She had lived in Merchant City for six years with Malcolm, and it was officially a year since Hunter had brought her here.

However, even with seven years' living experience in this city, she still was not entirely sure of the location of this clinic, so how could Joshua possibly know how to get there?

"I'm much more familiar with Merchant City than you are now."

Luna rolled her eyes at him.

"Don't patronize me; how long have you even been here?"

"One year and twelve days." Joshua explained as he stared at the road ahead, his head placed elegantly on the steering wheel, "It has been one year and fifteen days since Hunter Quinn abducted you."

Luna furrowed her brows and took out her phone to glance at the time.

He was...right.

After putting down her phone, she gave him an awkward smile and said, "I thought you were just

bullshitting me.”

After all, why would someone as busy as Joshua have the time to remember such mundane dates?

“I remember everything.” Joshua curled his lips into a smile and said, with a hint of helplessness in his

deep voice, “I remember every second of every day we spent apart.”

Seven years ago, Luna, who was pregnant with their triplets, had disappeared from his world.

One year ago, when she disappeared once more, Joshua had naturally been in a state of frenetic

worry.

Every single second without her felt like a century, so how could he possibly forget that?

A surge of warmth spread through Luna’s heart when she heard this.

She bit her lip and did not dare to meet Joshua’s gaze.

Instead, she fixed her eyes on the road before them.

Joshua remembered every second they spent apart.

This man, who had just arrived in Merchant City a year ago, knew all of the roads in this city and could

even locate such a small clinic in the rural part of town.

He...seemed to have done and sacrificed a lot for Luna, but what about her? It seemed like...she had

not done anything for him in return.

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Except...

The only thing Luna seemed to have done for him was giving birth to a daughter whom she had lost just mere minutes after her birth and could not track down, even until at present time.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna clutched the jade ring inside her coat pocket tightly.

This was the ring she had gotten from Jim.

As soon as she returned to Joshua's house after picking up Bonnie, she would be able to help Joshua uncover the truth of his Aunt Lucy's death.

Just as Luna was immersed in her thoughts, the car had already arrived at the clinic near the factory Sean Wheeler worked at.

He had not been lying when he told her how rundown the clinic was.

Joshua parked the car, and as soon as the car screeched to a halt, Luna flung the door open and stormed into the clinic. "Bonnie!"

“I’m here.”

The clinic was astonishingly small, with only a chair, a small bed, and a tiny table for the doctor to do his work inside it.

At this moment, Bonnie was lying on the bed, her face pale, as she chatted with the man sitting next to her.

The man looked like he was in his early twenties, and even though his face and body were covered in dirt and smudges, he was still a handsome young man.

When he saw Luna and Joshua, who were both dressed in clean, expensive clothing and emanated auras of grace and power, the man quickly stood up and stared at Luna earnestly, “Are you Luna? I’m Sean Wheeler, the man who called you.”

Luna nodded and extended her hand to him. “Pleasure to meet you. Thank you for saving my friend.”

The man froze for a moment and immediately reached his hand out to shake Luna’s.

However, as soon as he did so, he caught sight of how dirty his hand was, and he quickly drew it back, laughing awkwardly. “I’d better not shake your hand; mine is filthy.”

With that, he pointed at the bed behind him and said, "Your friend is right there.

"The doctor said that she had fainted due to low blood sugar, and she's fine now after the doctor gave her some glucose in an IV drip.

As soon as she heard this, Luna took out a stack of bills from her pocket and handed it to Sean. Then, she thanked him once more and quickly walked away to find Bonnie.

The man counted the number of bills, took one out, and handed the rest to Joshua. "I don't need this much."

With that, he scampered away to find the doctor, clutching the single hundred-dollar bill in his hand. "I'll go pay the doctor right now."

Joshua furrowed his brows as he watched the man leave. "You..."

The man paused for a moment, then turned to smile at Joshua. "Is there anything I can help with, Sir?"

Joshua furrowed his brows but shook his head.

Seeing this, the man quickly strode away.

Meanwhile, Luna was trying to help Bonnie up from the bed after asking her if she was fine.

However, Bonnie was so weak that she could not stand up on her own, and Luna alone could not bring

her to the car.

Therefore, she wanted to ask Joshua for help.

After gently placing Bonnie back on the bed, Luna came out of the room and patted Joshua's shoulder.

"Come help me bring Bonnie to the car. What are you looking at, anyway?"

"Nothing." Joshua furrowed his brows as he stared at the man's retreating figure. "Even though he's covered entirely in dirt and dust, I still can't help feeling that...he looks a lot like someone I met when I was a child."

With that, he shook his head and added, "Nevermind. I must be mistaken."

He turned and followed Luna into the small room.

Bonnie looked even paler and frailer than he had thought. Joshua frowned at this sight and asked,

"What happened to you?"

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"I can't hide anything from you after all." Bonnie smiled bitterly. "I didn't expect you'd come, and if Luna had come to pick me up alone, I would've been able to hide this from her, but..."

Bonnie let out a small sigh.

Joshua was so sharp and observant that just one glance at her was enough to convince him that something was different about her.

Bonnie knew that if she did not admit the truth, Joshua would still have another way of finding out.

Therefore, there was no point in hiding the truth.

After letting out another sigh, Bonnie propped herself up on the bed weakly.

She extended her pale, almost colorless hand to take a piece of paper out of her pocket.

As soon as she saw this, a bad feeling crept into Luna's heart.

She stormed forward and snatched the paper out of Bonnie's hands.

As soon as she laid eyes on the neatly printed words on the page, Luna felt as though she had been struck by lightning, and she took a small step back in shock. "Bonnie, you..."

"I underwent an abortion. I can't possibly keep this child anymore." Bonnie let out a forced smile and said, her eyes etched with sadness and morose, "Luna, when I was at Landry Mansion just now, I saw with my own two eyes as Jim put his bare hand on a boiling hot kettle to protect Charlotte.

“He was willing to put himself in danger to protect her, and before this, he had told me that I mattered less to him than even a finger of hers.”

As soon as she thought of this, Bonnie could not help letting out a self-deprecating chuckle. “Even after this, I still refused to believe the truth, and I thought that as long as I tried harder, Jim would eventually remember me, that everything would go back to normal. How stupid I am.

“Seeing what he was willing to do for Charlotte made me understand the difference between Charlotte and me.

“To him, I’m the person that matters the least, so much so that even after losing his memories, he can remember everyone, including you and Charlotte, except me.

“He doesn’t remember me at all, not even a single bit. Even though I’m pregnant with his child, he still refused to give me a second glance.

“I guess we were never meant to be after all.”

With that, Bonnie closed her eyes and curled her lips into a smirk. “Even though getting pregnant with this child is akin to a miracle for me, I don’t want my child to go through life without a father. I don’t want

my child to suffer a life full of loneliness.

“My childhood was tough enough, and I don’t want my future child to have to go through the same.”

Luna bit her lip when she heard this.

She clenched her fists next to her and opened her mouth to say something, but no words came out.

Finally, she let out a sigh, strode over to Bonnie’s side, and pulled her into a tight embrace.

Since Bonnie had already gone through with the abortion, it was too late to change anything, and she did not want to say anything that would upset Bonnie further.

“That’s okay. It’s about time you start afresh now, Bonnie. My brother...he isn’t worth your time now.”

Joshua could not help frowning when he heard this. “You said that Jim isn’t worth your time now, but what if he regains his memories?”

“The Jim we know now isn’t the same person as the one we used to know.”

With that, he walked over to Bonnie and fixed his dark, penetrating stare on her eyes. “Jim is now under someone else’s control, so don’t you think it’s a little cruel of you to break up with him and get rid of his child without his consent now?”

Luna immediately furrowed her brows in disapproval when she heard this. “Joshua!”

Why was Joshua saying things like this, knowing that Bonnie was upset enough? Besides, why did he have to bring up the fact that Jim was under Charlotte's control?

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She and Bonnie were very well aware of that fact already!

However...

Luna knew that it was too hard for Bonnie to continue waiting for Jim anymore.

Not everyone could go through the pain of being abandoned by a loved one.

Bonnie had already been abandoned by Jason once in the past. With that traumatizing experience,

Luna did not think it was wrong of her to choose a more rational option that prioritized herself more.

"I'm telling the truth." Joshua continued to stare intently at Bonnie. "Ask yourself this; how much do you

love the Jim that was with you before he lost his memories? How can you leave him and get rid of your

child, knowing that he's just sick and out of his mind now? How can you be certain that Jim will never

wake up from this one day? What if he does? How do you think he'll react if he regains his memories

one day and finds out about what you did?"

Bonnie could not help gripping the surgery consent form tighter when she heard Joshua's words. She bit her lip and stared at Joshua with rage. "That's enough! Joshua Lynch, you keep saying that I shouldn't give up on Jim and get rid of our child, but have you ever thought about the emotional turmoil I'm in after being hurt by him so many times?"

"What if I forced you to watch Luna get together with another man? Would that feel good for you?"

"Have you ever experienced the feeling of watching the person you love sacrifice everything for another person and refuse even to give you a second glance?"

"You haven't! You've never been through the same pain I have, so what right do you have to lecture me about this?"

She shot Joshua another murderous glare and added, "You can't even bear to watch Luna get engaged to another man, yet you're asking me to watch Jim and Charlotte get married and even try to talk me out of getting an abortion."

"I'm not a saint, you know, so don't ask this of me when you yourself can't even do it!"

Joshua narrowed his eyes when he heard this. He stared at Bonnie, about to say something else, when

suddenly, someone pushed open the door.

Sean Wheeler strode into the room and extended his hand to Luna, revealing about 50 dollars worth of change in his palm. "The doctor said that the only thing she did was put an IV drip on her, so she's only going to charge forty dollars. Here's the change."

Luna was a little surprised by this. She could not believe that this young mechanic would return the change to her.

She thought that...

As soon as she thought of this, Luna curled her lips into a smile and shoved the money back into

Sean's hands. "I don't want this money, so you can keep it and buy yourself a drink as a reward."

However, Sean shook his head. "I didn't do anything to deserve a reward, so I can't take your money."

Luna furrowed her brows and turned to glance at Bonnie.

According to Bonnie's stubborn temperament, she knew that Bonnie would never allow Joshua to help her into the car after their fight.

However, Luna was not capable of carrying her all the way to the car on her own.

Therefore, she smiled at Sean and said, "Alright then, why don't you help me bring my friend in the

car?”

Sean fell silent for a moment, then nodded in agreement. A split second later, he walked over to Bonnie and, without warning, lifted Bonnie from the bed in his arms.

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“You—” Bonnie could not help letting out a shriek of surprise as she was lifted off the bed without warning. However, Sean held her even closer against his body as he replied reassuringly, “Don’t worry, I’ve got you.” Bonnie bit her lip and immediately wrapped her arms around his neck, trying to stop herself from falling.

Sean turned and strode out of the room, carrying Bonnie in this amorous position all the way to the car.

Luna remained motionless, staring in disbelief at the scene before her. She had simply asked Sean to help her bring Bonnie out to the car, but she did not expect him to carry her out. Joshua glanced calmly at a baffled Luna and remarked, “Well, you were the one who asked him to help.”

With that, he turned and strode out of the room.

Luna stared dazedly as Sean carefully lowered Bonnie into the backseat of Joshua’s car in the

distance.

Even though it seemed a little unfair to Jim, for some reason...she could not help thinking that these two would make an adorable couple.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna let out a sigh and gently knocked on her head to chase away her thoughts.

After all, Bonnie would never fall in love with a mechanic she had met on a chance encounter just hours after getting an abortion.

After putting Bonnie in the car, Sean turned to grin at Joshua and Luna. "Just now, you told me to help you get her into the car, but I don't think it'd be fair of me to take fifty dollars from you just by doing that,

so I decided to do it even quicker and more efficiently in a way that will make it your money's worth!

"After all, I usually charge this same amount for carrying sacks of heavy stuff too."

Luna was a little speechless by this. If it were not for the fact that this man looked earnest and sincere, one would easily think that he was trying to feign innocence. After all, Bonnie was an attractive woman, and not only had he taken advantage of her, but he was even charging them to let him do that. Anyone

would think that he had done this on purpose, but judging from the simple look on his face, he had done so out of good intentions.

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Noticing the expression on Luna's face, Sean furrowed his brows and took a small step back." Did I do something wrong?"

"No, you didn't. You did a great job." Joshua walked over, blocking Luna's view of Sean, and smiled at him. "Your name is Sean Wheeler... Did you get your last name from your father?"

"No, Wheeler is my mother's maiden name. I think my father was a Lynch, but I've never met him before, so I'm not too sure."

Joshua furrowed his brows upon hearing this.

"Well, if there's nothing else here, I'll be off now."

With that, Sean turned and walked away. Joshua furrowed his brows and could not help finding this even more familiar as he watched him leave.

Finally, Joshua, unable to refrain himself, called after Sean, "Hey, Sean Wheeler, I need a driver and

car mechanic. Are you interested? Don't worry; I pay well."

Sean's entire face lit up as soon as he heard this.

He turned around and stared at Joshua with a look of absolute delight. "You pay well? How much are we talking about here?"

Seeing that he was interested, Joshua curled his lips into a smile and pointed at his car. "Get in. My assistant will talk through the terms with you later."

Sean hesitated for a moment, but before he could reply, Bonnie rolled down the car window and said with a smile, "Come with us. He pays all the servants and employees that work for him very well.

"Didn't you say you needed the money to help your sister get better?"

As soon as he heard this, Sean nodded obediently and decided to get into Joshua's car.

However, before doing so, he still took off his soiled and dirtied worker's uniform so as not to stain Joshua's car.

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The four of them returned to Joshua's house together.

Joshua had already informed Lucas of their impending arrival on their way home, so as soon as the car pulled to a halt, Sean was brought into the backyard by Lucas.

Dr.

Laura Sues was also standing at the door, waiting for them alongside Lucas.

“Ms.

Craig.” As soon as the car stopped, Dr.

Laura strode over and approached Bonnie, smiling.

“How are you feeling now?” Bonnie glanced at her, frowning, and nodded in reply. “I’m doing okay.”

With that, she opened the door and tried to get out of the car.

Luna quickly grabbed hold of Bonnie’s arm to help her down, while an observant Dr.

Laura caught hold of Bonnie’s other arm.

As the three women entered the door, Dr.

Laura kept inquiring about Bonnie’s condition with a concerned tone, appearing to be a very considerate and professional doctor.

However, for some reason, Luna felt a hint of hostility directed toward her.

From the moment she stepped foot on the ground, she could feel the hostility in Dr. Laura's gaze, and even though she was talking to Bonnie on their way into the house, she kept glancing at Luna frequently. This made Luna feel a little uneasy. Therefore, as soon as Bonnie was settled in, Luna quickly left the room after giving Bonnie a few words of advice. "Ms. Luna," Dr. Laura called after her, smiling.

Luna froze in her steps, frowning. "Yes?" "You don't look too good to me. Which room are you in? Would you like me to take a look at you after I finish treating Ms. Bonnie here?"

Luna curled her lips into a smile. "There's no need for that. I'm as healthy as a horse. Even if I'm not feeling well, I'll go to a hospital myself, so you don't have to worry about me, Dr. Suess."

With that, Luna turned and strode away.

Dr. Laura turned around, a look of slight embarrassment on her face, and chuckled awkwardly as she gauged Bonnie's pulse. "Your friend right here doesn't seem to have a good temper..." Bonnie gave her a small smile in return. "Luna is one of my most mild-mannered and good tempered friends, doctor. If you think she's behaving hostilely to you, why don't you reflect on how you treated her? "Luna is kind

and forgiving, but that doesn't mean she's an idiot. She can still tell people's intentions through their actions and the way they look at her." Bonnie's words made Dr.

Laura narrow her eyes, but she did not say another word.

Instead, she lowered her head and inspected Bonnie carefully. "Ms. Bonnie, Mr. Lynch told Mr. Bean on the phone just now that you had just undergone an abortion, but according to my examination..."

Bonnie glanced at her, smirking. "What's wrong?" She shifted into a comfortable position on the bed

and fixed her calm gaze on Dr. Laura's slightly pale face. "Are you going to rat on me? "Dr. Suess, if

you're planning to do so, I advise you to think twice. My best friend Luna already has a bad impression

of you, and if you do anything to irk me, she'll be even more displeased at you.

"If that happens, I'm sure you won't want to know the consequences..."

Dr. Laura pursed her lips slightly upon hearing this. A split second later, she let out a slight cough and

replied in a low voice, "Don't worry, I won't tell. It's just that..."

"The baby is about a month along, and if you want to hide the truth, you'd better start hunting for a new

boyfriend soon. Otherwise, you won't be able to hide your bump any longer.

Bonnie narrowed her eyes and glanced at Sean, the young mechanic talking to Lucas in the backyard.

“I have my plans.”

Chapter 1939 When Dr.

Laura Sues came out of Bonnie’s room, Joshua was talking on the phone in the

living room

The members of his company’s higher management were reporting on the outcome of the tactics they

had employed against Landry Group that afternoon.

“Alright, that’s enough now. Just keep me updated if there are any changes.

Thanks for your work, everyone.”

Every single syllable of Joshua’s low, melodic voice hammered against Dr. Laura’s thumping heart.

She could not resist handsome, successful, independent men like this, much less one that possessed

such an angelic voice.

Truth be told, Joshua had caught her eye ever since he arrived in Merchant City.

At that time, her colleagues at the hospital would pore over the daily news and gossip about how

handsome, rich, and attractive this newcomer Joshua Lynch was.

Every time her colleagues brought up the topic of Joshua, Dr. Laura would pretend as though she could not hear them.

However, she still could not help searching for Joshua's name on the internet and reading news about him in secret.

The moment she read the news about Joshua successfully defeating both the Landry and Quinn families—two of the most powerful families that had dominated Merchant City for over 20 years—and forcing them to team up to stand a fighting chance against him, Dr. Laura knew that this was the man she wanted to marry.

3 Only a powerful, successful man like him was fit to be her future spouse, and Joshua Lynch was the cream of the crop.

Therefore, Dr. Laura quit her job at the hospital and spent the next year working toward her goal until, finally, she seized the opportunity to become Joshua's family doctor.

The glimmer in her eyes grew even more determined as she stared at the tall, slender man sitting on the sofa.

The person she loved was just within her reach. One day, she would make Joshua Lynch hers! At this moment, Joshua hung up the phone. "Dr. Laura." Joshua did not even have to turn around to know that she was standing behind him. "How's Bonnie doing now?" Dr. Laura finally came to and approached him, smiling. "She's fine, although she's still a little weak after having undergone the abortion." Joshua narrowed his eyes and fixed his sharp gaze on Dr.

Laura's face as though he could see

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right through her lie. "Are you sure she went through with the abortion?"

Truth be told, Bonnie was not very good at hiding the truth. When they were still at the clinic, Joshua had already noticed a clue.

Even though the paper that she showed him and Luna was indeed a legitimate surgery consent form, the most crucial signature to signify the completion of the surgery was missing This meant that Bonnie had consented to the surgery and was on the waiting list, but she had chickened out and changed her

mind at the last minute, choosing not to go through with it in the end.

This was why the signature was not recorded on the consent form.

However, she still claimed that she had gone through with the abortion.

Joshua understood what she was trying to do; she just did not want to let anyone know that she still loved Jim.

After all, anyone would think that the most beneficial decision for her would be to forget about him.

However, it was because Joshua knew Bonnie had chickened out that he even dared to say the things he had said to her.

He was worried that Bonnie would regret her decision and put her child at risk again in the future, but at this moment, it seemed that she would not do so anymore.

“Yes...yes...” Dr.

Laura lowered her head nervously. “Ms. Bonnie has indeed gone through with the abortion...”

She did not dare to meet Joshua’s gaze as she stammered, “I gave her some medicine to make her feel better, so...” Joshua narrowed his eyes and snickered. “Alright, I’m not going to make things

difficult for you, Dr.

Laura.

You can go now.” With that, he leaned against the sofa and closed his eyes in exhaustion. As soon as

he closed his eyes, Joshua’s chiseled face was enveloped with an expression of gentleness.

Dr.

Laura could feel her heart thumping in her chest as she stared at the man before her.

She wanted nothing more than to pounce on him right this instant and tell him that she had been in love

with him for over a year!

However...

“Anything else you want, Dr. Laura?” Joshua asked, frowning when he sensed that the woman standing

before him had no intention of leaving. Dr. Laura immediately came to and let out an awkward chuckle.

“Well, there’s something I hope you can help me with...” She let out a sigh and explained, “I saw Ms.

Luna when I was bringing Ms. Bonnie in just now, and, seeing that she seemed unwell, I asked her

which room she was in so that I could offer to check on her as soon as I was done with Ms.

Bonnie, but she refused.

She told me that if she were really unwell, she'd go to the hospital herself and didn't need me to worry about her..."

With that, she bit her lip and said with a hint of sadness in her voice, "I don't know what she was implying with that. I'm a professional doctor, yet she insists on going to a hospital to seek treatment should she ever feel unwell instead of coming to me. "Besides, some diseases present late or without symptoms at all, and I wouldn't want her to end up seeking treatment too late..." Dr.

Laura let out another sigh and added, "Maybe Ms.

Luna mistook my kindness as something else and thought I was a busybody..." Joshua furrowed his brows and glanced at her impassively. "I think Luna looks perfectly fine." "That's because the two of you see each other every day, and thus, you can't tell if anything is wrong with her." Dr.

Laura sighed before turning to leave.

"Well, nevermind.

Maybe you think I'm a busybody too, but I was just trying to take care of her, considering how close she is to you..."

Joshua opened his eyes and glanced somewhat helplessly at Dr. Laura's retreating figure. "Dr. Laura, Luna doesn't have anything against you, but she and I got into an argument just now, so she must've been in a bad mood and must've accidentally taken it out on you."

Dr.

Laura's face lit up when she heard this.

Luna and Joshua had a fight? This was the perfect opportunity to drive a wedge between them! As soon as she thought of this, Dr. Laura let out another helpless sigh and turned around. "Well, since that was what happened, I won't take Ms. Luna's actions to heart. Why don't I go upstairs now and check on her?"

Joshua contemplated this for a moment, frowning, and finally waved his hand in refusal. "Nevermind.

She's not in a good mood now, and even if you were genuinely trying to help her, she wouldn't be able to appreciate it anyway. "It's all my fault; I shouldn't have gotten into a fight with her."

He glanced at Dr. Laura and added, "You can go home now, Doctor, and maybe you can check on Luna the next time you come here. It's best not to irritate her now that she's in a bad mood."

As soon as he said this, Joshua got up from his chair and strode upstairs. "Let me apologize to her."

Joshua's words were like a hard kick to Dr.

Laura's heart.

She stared at Joshua's retreating figure and clenched her fists next to her.

What was so good about Luna? Why did Joshua have to bow down to her every whim and fancy?

Why should a man like Joshua apologize to her? What made Luna so much better than everybody

else?

Chapter 1940

When Joshua went upstairs, Luna was sitting on a chair in his room, deep in her thoughts.

On the table before her laid two almost identical jade rings.

These rings were supposed to be a pair, and even though they were equal in size, the pattern on the

stones themselves were slightly different yet still matched.

There was something Luna could not understand when she saw these rings.

Before obtaining these two rings, she thought that the rings were a pair that was supposed to be worn

by a couple. As she finally obtained them and inspected them, however, she suddenly realized that

they were identical in size, and judging from the size, it was supposed to be worn by two men, which baffled Luna.

Why would Lucy customize two men's rings in the first place? Who had she intended to give these rings to? Just as Luna was puzzling over this, she heard the room door open.

Joshua entered the room. Luna glanced at him, frowning, and silently tucked the rings away. Then, she lifted her head to shoot him an impassive glance. "Are you done chatting with your precious Dr.

Suess?" Joshua could not help smiling when he heard the tone of her voice. "Are you still mad at me?"

Luna rolled her eyes at him. "What do you think?"

The things that Joshua had said to Bonnie in the clinic were too hurtful.

As a woman herself, Luna could understand the emotional turmoil that Bonnie had to go through in times like this.

She had been through a similar experience before. Six years ago, when she got into her accident, she would have given up all hope of living if it were not for the three babies inside her belly.

Bonnie's situation was not unlike the one she had been in six years ago.

It would be beautiful if Bonnie had chosen to give birth to the child, like how Luna had, but it was not wrong of her to choose the other option, which was to abort the baby, stay away from Jim, and start her life afresh.

Why did Joshua have to say such cruel words?

On top of that...

Since the surgery had already been done, there was no other point in him saying those words; it served no purpose apart from hurting Bonnie's feelings. Staring at Luna's face, Joshua let out a sigh and wanted to explain everything to Luna, but in the end, he chose not to.

Luna was an emotional person, and it would not benefit her to tell her that Bonnie's baby was still alive.

It would be better for all of them if Luna continued to think that Bonnie had gone through with the abortion.

Not only would Bonnie be able to give birth to the baby safely and in secret, but she would be able to sever her relationship with Jim once and for all.

As soon as he thought of this, Joshua curled his lips into a smile and pulled Luna into his arms. "Just now, Dr. Suess told me that you don't look well." Luna had just begun to soften at the feeling of

Joshua's embrace when she heard him bring up Dr. Sues.

At the mention of her name, the fire inside Luna's head was ignited once more. She shoved Joshua away from her and snapped, "Do you believe everything she says? Don't you dare tell me you can't tell that woman is interested in you!"

Joshua furrowed his brows slightly and replied, "But she's one of the best family doctors around, and Lucas spent a lot of effort to find her."

He lifted his hand to tilt Luna's chin down gently and scrutinize her face. "Well, you sure do look a little pale. Maybe you should treat her like any other doctor and let her examine you next time, hmm?" Luna scoffed and rolled her eyes at him. "I don't need her help."

With that, she pursed her lips defiantly and added, "If I'm feeling unwell, I'll go to Lincoln City to find Dr. Liddell; she's far more professional."