Luna & Joshua 2021

Chapter 2021

"Since Charlotte said that Shelly is her daughter, you can go see if she has the same stretch marks on her belly as I do."

Luna narrowed her eyes and continued, "After all, she gave birth to Shelly about the same time as I did, so if she had been telling the truth, she would have the same scars as I do.

"If you don't trust me, Mr. Landry, you can ask the doctors for their professional input."

Jim narrowed his eyes, but before he could say anything in response, Joshua pulled Luna into his arms

Charlotte's hair and nails to perform a DNA test with Shelly's. A DNA test like this won't lie."

and said with a small smile, "If you still don't believe us, Mr. Landry, you can secretly bring Ms.

With that, he curled his lips into a smirk and added, "Not only that, but you can also test Bonnie and Harvey's DNA to know which member of your little family is real and which are fake."

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Jim was more inclined to believe Joshua's words than Luna's. Thus, he narrowed his eyes and said curtly, "I will."

He was about to close his door when Joshua strode over and handed him a recording device. "Since you're in a hurry, Luna and I will not waste your time anymore. "You can listen to the recording on this device on your way; it won't take you long." With that, he turned around and left, dragging Luna with him. Luna furrowed her brows when she heard the engine start behind her. "What you said to him just now made me feel like an idiot." She had been so desperate to prove Charlotte wrong that, on impulse, she had lifted her shirt to show her stretch marks to show Jim the difference between a mother and a woman who had never given birth before. At that time, plenty of ideas had popped into her mind, but neither of them had been to ask him to do a DNA test. She had not thought of the most straightforward way at all, so when Joshua suggested that Jim perform a DNA test on Shelly, Luna was so humiliated that she wanted to crawl into a hole. "You're not an idiot." Joshua curled his lips into a smile and gave her a small hug

before helping her into the car.

Just as he was about to close the door behind her, he lowered his body and placed his face next to her
belly. Then, he gently lifted the hem of her shirt.
"Joshua!" Luna could not believe that Joshua had lifted her shirt in broad daylight and even put his face
so close to her private area.
She was so startled that her heart felt like it would leap out of her chest. He could not possibly be trying
to
However, to her surprise, he grabbed hold of her hand, which was trying to cover herself back up.
He lifted her shirt once more and pressed a kiss onto her stretch marks.
Even though he was not a woman, he knew how much women valued and tried to preserve their
beauty and youth.
The amount of skincare and beauty products on Luna's dressing table was enough to prove this.
However, this vain, self-conscious woman had been willing to get pregnant for him over and over again

Joshua's kiss felt a little ticklish against Luna's skin, but apart from that, she could not help feeling a

and had borne four beautiful children for him.

little embarrassed. Her entire face was as red as an apple as she exclaimed, "What are you doing?!"
"I'm sorry." Joshua let out a small sigh. "I promise I'll use protection in the future.
"Let's not have any more children, and don't worry; I'll help you find a way to get rid of your stretch
marks."
His warm breath brushed against Luna's soft belly, making her face turn an even deeper shade of red.
She bit her lip and desperately tried to pry his head away from her abdomen. "What on earth are you
talking about? What protection? I haven't even agreed"
"Haven't even agreed to what? Get back together and go home with me?" Joshua stood up and lifted
her chin gently, forcing her to meet his smiling gaze. "That wasn't what you told me in bed last night."
Chapter 2022
"After everything is done, I'll give each of you ten million dollars.

"Why would I lie to you? All I want is to create an explosion so that the children on the plane will never

"Don't worry; I will stick to my word and give you what I promised..."

see the sun again.

A woman's cold voice rang out from the recording device and echoed within the car.
Jim clutched his steering wheel tighter when he heard this.
He was more than familiar with this voice.
Even with just a few syllables, he could tell that this voice belonged to Charlotte, much less a whole
monologue like this.
This was a recording of Charlotte's conversation with the flight crew in Banyan City.
Soon, the recording ended.
The next audio clip that played was the confession of one of the men who had conversed with
Charlotte on the phone.
"Mr. Smith, none of us knew that one of the people this woman was trying to kill was Mr. Joshua
Lynch's son!
"She told us that she wanted to kill the children of the Landry family from Merchant City, who were
mortal enemies with Lynch Group. ,
"We knew that the Landry and Lynch families had always had a vengeance between them, which was
why we agreed to help her"

There was a hint of regret and pain in that man's voice as he continued, "We wouldn't have done this i
we had known Mr. Lynch's son was on that flight. Not only thatbut we've learned from our mistakes
now!"

The man's voice was shaking from immense fear. "According to the post-flight report you showed me just now... I wouldn't have been able to save us all if I had been on board that plane!

"Thank God Young Master Nigel was cautious and had switched us out with the best flight crew in

Banyan City. Otherwise, the consequences would've been dire!

"This woman was trying to kill us! She's a snake!

"She asked us to prepare bombs for the explosion and reassured us that we would be able to parachute out of the aircraft before the bomb went off, but according to that report, she had rigged the plane so that it would crash even before it reached the designated explosion site!

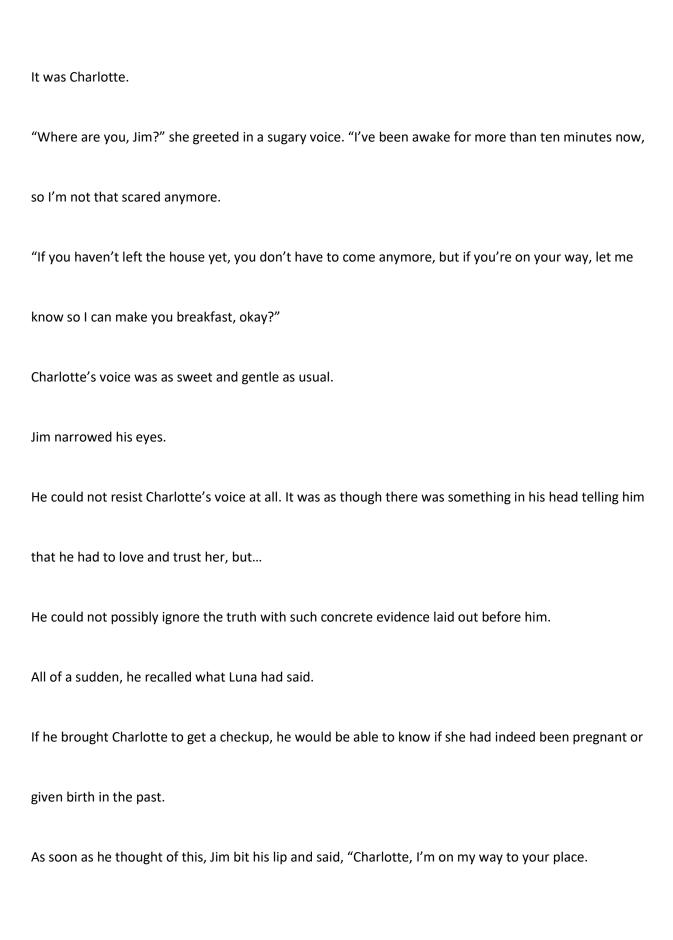
"This woman hadn't intended to give us the money she promised at all! Instead, she tried to kill us so we would shut our mouths! She's absolutely evil!"

Jim narrowed his eyes, and his hands tightened on the steering wheel.

He could not confirm if the man on the recording was telling the truth or not, but one thing was certain.
Charlotte's voice was real. He was sure of it.
It was not because of how familiar he was with her voice, but because
The day before, he had accidentally barged into Charlotte's room in search of something while she was
on a call.
At that time, he had overheard her saying the words, "Don't worry, I will stick to my word and give you
what I promised"
It was precisely the same as what he had heard on the recording.
Jim narrowed his eyes and played the audio clip once more, but he deliberately turned up the volume
this time.
He was right. Just as Charlotte said these exact words in the recording, he could vaguely hear the
sound of a door creaking open, then Charlotte's voice growing softer and softer.
Finally, she stopped talking altogether.
That was because Jim had approached her and mouthed to her, asking her who she was on the phone
with.

Charlotte had appeared a little nervous when he did that, but soon, she regained her composure and
gestured to him that she would find him as soon as she was done.
When Charlotte's voice reappeared in the recording, Jim could hear the faint sound of a door closing.
It had happened exactly the way he remembered it.
If this recording had been a fake, how could Joshua and Luna have known every detail, down to the
exact moment he had entered and left Charlotte's room? How could they have faked this?
Chapter 2023
A twinge of pain shot through Jim's heart as he thought of this.
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If Charlotte had indeed tried to kill Harvey and Shelly '
He could not imagine what would have happened if Nigel had not gotten on the plane with them. If
Nigel had not been there, would he still be driving to his and Charlotte's new house at this moment,
free of sorrow and grief?

Just as Jim was immersed in his thoughts, his phone rang.



"I went to see Shelly this morning, and she's adorable."

Charlotte's expression darkened at the mention of Shelly's name. She scoffed and said icily, "Well, it's undeniable that she's cute, but unfortunately, she had spent so much time with Bonnie that she likes her more now..."

She let out a sigh'and added, "If only there's a way for us to get custody over her...

"I hear that in a custody lawsuit, the judge is more likely to rule in favor of a couple that can provide a good home instead of a single parent.

"Jim, should we get married as soon as possible so that we can earn custody over Shelly

Jim narrowed his eyes when he heard this. "But there's one thing you haven't thought of, Charlotte,

which is that we don't need to get married to win custody over Shelly."

Charlotte fell silent when she heard this.

A split second later, she asked in puzzlement, "Have you thought of something, Jim? ... I can't think of any way that we can win custody over Shelly unless we're married..."

Jim let out a chuckle as he parked his car in front of his and Charlotte's new house. Then, he said, snickering, as he entered the house, "Charlotte, have you forgotten that you're Shelly's birth mother?"

Charlotte's entire body stiffened when she heard this.

A split second later, she let out an awkward chuckle and said, "That...that's right.

"I'm Shelly's mother, so I don't need to get married to win custody over her..."

Jim narrowed his eyes when he heard her sheepish tone. "Charlotte, you told me that Shelly is your daughter, so she's technically a piece of you, but why can't I help but notice that from the moment Shelly reappeared in our lives...you haven't even given her a second glance? "Are you...really her

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mother?"

Charlotte froze when she heard Jim's voice ring out from behind her. She put down the phone, regained her composure, and lifted her head to glance at him. "What are you talking about, Jim?"

There was a twinge of hurt on her face. "Do you think I lied to you?"

She bit her lip as tears slid down her cheeks. Staring at him, she spoke, sounding like she was choked with tears, "Jim, I narrowly escaped death when giving birth to Shelly, but for some reason, you think I'm lying to you and that I'm not Shelly's birth mother at all. Is that what you think after all?"

Tears brimmed in her eyes as she asked, "What did you hear from other people? You're right, I don't
appear to be at all concerned about Shelly as I should've, but this is all your fault, isn't it?"
She lifted her head to fixate her tearful gaze on Jim's face and whimpered, "When Shelly was born, yo
forbade me from seeing her because you were worried I wouldn't be able to take good care of her.
"Not only that, but as soon as she was born, you told me to leave Merchant City and handed her over
to Christopher to look after her.
"You told me that Christopher is a doctor, and he also has experience taking care of his daughter, so
you'd feel more reassured to have him take care of Shelly.
"After that, Christopher brought Shelly with him when he flew to Banyan City to find Bonnie, and"
She sniffed and said with a sorrowful look, "Bonnie was the one who had come up with Shelly's name,
and as her birth mother, I couldn't help but be devastated by all this.

She let out an exhale and added, "You're suspecting that I'm not Shelly's mother based on the way I

"She's my daughter, but for some reason, Bonnie was given all the credit! How do you think I feel?

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behaved toward her yesterday, right?"

She wiped her tears and sniffed, "Well, you're wrong. From the moment Shelly was born, I had never been given a chance to bond with her, and because of this, I can't help feeling distanced from my own daughter...

"Maybe you're right; maybe it was my fault. I shouldn't have neglected her just because

I never had the chance to bond with her.

"Because you weren't on my side in the past, there was nothing I could do but relent to all these unfair changes. I knew that I wouldn't be able to see Shelly, so I even stopped hoping at all, but things are different now.

"Now that I have you, Jim, I think that I should start caring more about our child."

She lifted her head to stare at Jim and said in a hoarse voice, "Jim, I want you to bring Harvey and Shelly over so that we can live together as a family.

"If Harvey hates me, why don't you just let Shelly come live with me by herself? Can you do that?

"I've always longed to spend some time together with my daughter, but I never had the chance to do

so...

"If I can spend some alone time with Shelly and bond with her as mother and daughter, I promise I'll take care of her and not neglect her anymore!" As she said this, Charlotte's gaze was fixated on Jim, her face etched with hopefulness. The expression on her face made Jim's chest tighten. He could not possibly reject Charlotte's request, but... He let out an exhale and turned his head away so as not to meet her tantalizing stare." Charlotte, I think we still need to talk this through. Harvey will never want to be separated from his sister, and at the same time, he hasn't warmed up to you yet. If you want to bring Shelly over, we have to first find a way to take care of Harvey. "I think it's best that we take this slow." Charlotte narrowed her eyes when she heard this., She clenched her fists out of Jim's sight. Jim used to cling onto her every word, especially after she poisoned him for the second time.

The first time she did this, he had still gotten mad at her and tried to take revenge on her for following



He paused for a moment before saying, "Shelly is the product of our love."

Charlotte nodded, then buried her head against his chest and sobbed under her breath." You've changed, Jim. I asked you to come over because I had a bad dream last night, but the first thing you did when you arrived was scold me instead of reassuring me."

Jim sighed when he heard this and pulled her closer to his arms. "I'm sorry; I was so preoccupied with Shelly that I forgot about your dream..."

Charlotte sighed. "I don't blame you..."

The two of them sat down on the sofa and cuddled for the rest of the morning.

All the while, Charlotte had been trying to lure Jim into the bedroom so they could have sex, but for some reason, no matter how obedient Jim was...he still could not bring himself to even kiss her, much less do anything more than that.

Every time it seemed as though they were about to take things to the next level, Jim would find an excuse to let go of Charlotte.

After an entire morning of push-and-pull, Charlotte was so frustrated that she wanted to crack her skull



Chapter 2026

After leaving the house, Jim returned to Landry Mansion.

He did not go into his study to work but instead went into his room and slumped on the bed in

exhaustion.

For some reason, every time he was about to take things further with Charlotte, he would pause and

suddenly remember Bonnie's face.

It was as though there was a voice in his head telling him not to betray her.

Jim was puzzled by this. Why was he feeling guilt toward Bonnie for being together with Charlotte?

He tossed and turned on the bed but could not seem to fall asleep.

All of a sudden, he heard the voices of children shrieking in laughter.

Jim furrowed his brows and immediately opened the balcony door in search of the noise.

He found it at last.

The voices came from the direction of the house Bonnie was staying in next to his.

At that moment, the morning sun was warm and bright, and Bonnie was sitting in the yard, rocking a

stroller while Harvey and June played in the garden.

Sean stood straight-backed behind her, and occasionally, Bonnie would turn around to chat with him.

However, most of the time, she was beaming at Shelly or watching Harvey and June play with a smile.

Jim could not help frowning when he saw this.

He could not help feeling a little uneasy as he watched Bonnie's smiling face.

This was the happiest he had ever seen her, but for some reason, the happier she looked, the more

upset it made him.

Did this woman not claim that she loved him? If so, why had she never smiled at him that way before?

Jim narrowed his eyes as he continued watching her.

Did she somehow know that he was not at work today, so she had deliberately brought

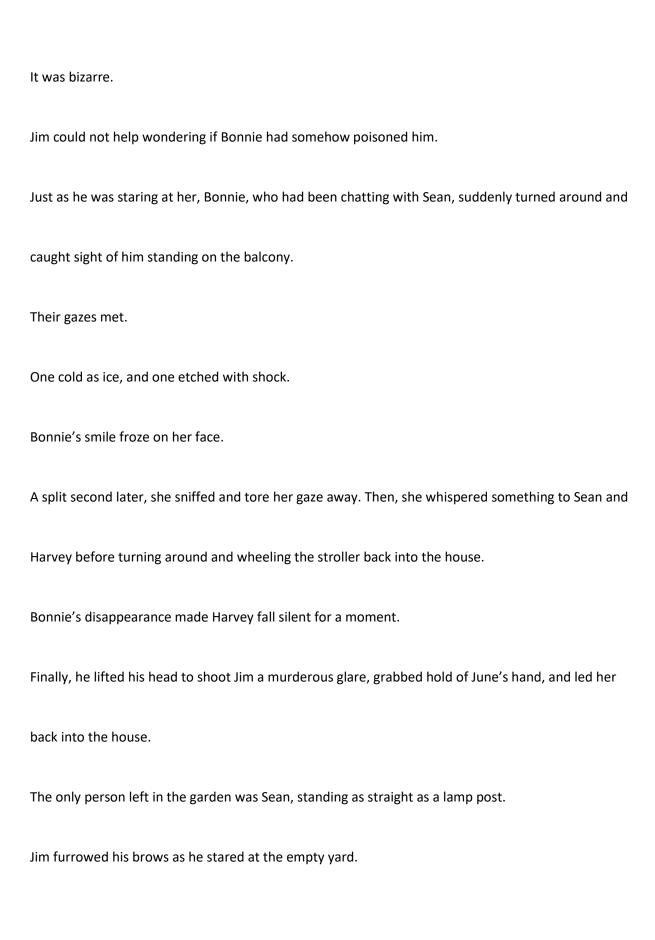
the kids out to the garden to play and make so much noise so that he would overhear?

Jim's expression darkened when he thought of this.

He narrowed his eyes as doubt crossed his mind.

This sly, deceitful woman had been constantly trying to break him and Charlotte up, but why did he

always recall her face every time he was about to get intimate with Charlotte?



After a long time, he returned to his room and walked to his study. He sat in his chair, let out an exhale,
and called his assistant in.
Soon, his assistant arrived.
"Help me bring these samples to a DNA Diagnostic Center for a cross-match." Jim placed a bag,
containing a few strands of hair, on the table with an air of exhaustion. The assistant nodded.
Chapter 2027
"Yes, Sir!"
With that, Jim's assistant left the room.
As he left the room, he bumped into the butler, who was carrying a tea tray for Jim.
The butler took one look at the bag the assistant was holding and immediately knew what it was for.
There were a few strands of hair contained within that bag, and it was clear that they were meant for
DNA cross-matching.
Considering that Harvey and Shelly had just returned to Merchant City the day before, it was obvious
who Jim wanted to perform this DNA test on.

As soon as he thought of this, the butler quickly arranged for a man to keep an eye on the assistant.

After that, he brought the tray into the study as though none of this had happened.

Inside the study, Jim was leaning against the back of his chair, the muscles on his face waning in exhaustion.

"Master Landry." The butler smiled after putting the tray down. "Aren't you going to spend some time with Young Master Harvey and Little Miss Shelly? It doesn't seem good to let them stay in a separate house after they had flown back just last night... The children will grow distant from you because of this."

Jim sneered but did not even lift his head to look at him. "Do you think we'll somehow grow closer because I spend more time with them?"

Jim lifted his face and fixated his bloodshot eyes on the butler, "Harvey already hates me, so do you think he'll change his mind just because I spend a little more time with him?"

The butler fell silent.

A split second later, he sighed and replied, "But Master Landry, you can't keep this on forever. Harvey is your son, and you can't possibly be distant with him for the rest of your lives..."



As soon as he thought of this, Jim clicked on the photo album. The first thing he saw was a photo of a woman's shoulder. Based on the time that this photo was taken, the only person this could be was Bonnie. There was a beautiful tattoo on Bonnie's right shoulder-a tattoo of a rose. Jim could not help zoning out as he stared at the photo before him. A split second later, he snapped out of it and tossed the tablet aside, sneering. This woman was far more adventurous than her looks suggested. She seemed like a prim and proper person, but one would never imagine that she would have such a tattoo on her shoulder. Why did she get such an intricate tattoo in such a spot? Who had she planned to show this to? How many men had she seduced with this tattoo? Chapter 2028 When the butler arrived at the little house, Bonnie was playing with Shelly tenderly with a small smile on her face. In her arms, the baby giggled and crooned.

The scene before him was so heartwarming that the butler did not feel like interrupting at all.

"Mr. Butler!" Harvey, who had just entered through the door, caught sight of the butler and immediately

leaped into his arms. "I missed you so much!"

The butler only had one son, Mickey. However, Mickey expressed no interest in getting married or settling down at all and instead spent most of his time buried in his research.

Because of this, the butler was extremely fond of Harvey because he reminded him of the grandson he would never have.

Back when Charles had still been in charge of the Landry family, he had told the butler smilingly that any grandson of the Landry family would be his, too.

Watching Harvey sprint over to hug him, the butler could not help feeling as though his heart would melt.

He picked up Harvey in his arms and glanced at Bonnie. "Hello, Ms. Craig."

Bonnie finally realized that the butler had arrived. She quickly put Shelly back onto the stroller and replied, "Hello, I didn't know you came."

She was not too familiar with this butler of the Landry family. After all, her relationship with Jim had
always been kept a secret, so she had rarely been over at Landry Mansion at all.
However, the butler warmed up to her surprisingly quickly. He smiled at her and said, " Ms. Craig, I only
found out about your move here this morning. Don't be shy; feel free to make yourself at home."
With that, he furrowed his brows and put Harvey down. "However, I have something I need to tell you."
Bonnie frowned when she saw how solemn the butler looked. "Harvey."
"Understood." Harvey nodded, then turned to glance at June, who was standing next to him. "Come
help me!"
June quickly sprinted over, and the two of them swiftly wheeled Shelly's stroller out of the room and into
theirs.
After the door closed behind them, Bonnie let out an exhale and poured the butler a cup of tea. "Just be
honest with me about whatever it is you want to tell me."
Seeing that Bonnie was so straightforward about this, the butler, too, decided to be frank with her. "I

just came out of Master Landry's study, and I saw his assistant leaving with a bag of hairs. I'm guessing

that he must've sent his assistant to conduct a DNA test." Bonnie lifted her head to stare at him. "A DNA test on who?" "Don't you know?" the butler sighed, fixated his gaze on somewhere distant, and said curtly, "Charlotte has been telling Master Landry that Shelly is their daughter ...but I find this a little fishy. "After all, Charlotte hadn't returned to Merchant City yet when Shelly was born. On top of that, Master Landry hated her down to her bones before he lost his memories. He couldn't have slept with her and impregnated her." Bonnie bit her lip nervously. She closed her eyes and recalled how in the past, with his arms intertwined around her, Jim had once promised that he would spend the rest of his life with no one else but her. She smiled bitterly. Chapter 2029 "You're right; Jim was a good person before losing his memories. He...never would've done something like that." However, every time Bonnie saw Jim for the past few days, she would feel a twinge of pain shoot

through her heart, not because of how cruelly he treated her, but because...

Every time she saw how coldly he acted toward her, she could not help recalling how gentle he was to her in the past.

Every time the thought that such a kind, determined, virtuous man would never be able to return crossed her mind, Bonnie would feel as though someone had stuck a knife deep into her heart.

"You're right about one thing; Master Landry was a good person before he lost his memories." The

butler let out an exhale and stared at Bonnie's face in determination. "Therefore, we have to try our

best to make him remember his past memories."

Bonnie shook her head, smiling bitterly. "I don't have the power to do that."

No matter how many times she tried to approach him, she could not make him recall their old memories together.

When she first found out about Jim's amnesia, Bonnie had told Luna that with their combined efforts, they would be able to help Jim recover his memories.

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However, their encounters over the past few days made Bonnie more and more unsure of herself, so

much so that she was starting to wonder if, even before losing his memories, she had never mattered to Jim at all.

Otherwise, why would he be able to remember everything except her?

"Of course you have." The butler sighed. "The reason why Master Landry doesn't remember anything about you is not that you don't matter to him, but because...you matter too much."

Bonnie was so shocked to hear this that she almost dropped her cup. She quickly placed the cup on the table, wiped the stains that had fallen onto her shirt, and let out another bitter chuckle. "Don't kid me now; how can I possibly...matter to him? He doesn't even remember me

"I've asked Mickey about this." The butler fixated his earnest gaze on Bonnie and explained," Mickey had always practiced under Mrs. Landry, even you know that, so he knows about the origins of this drug. The reason Mrs. Landry formulated this drug in the first place was to help Mr. Landry forget the love of his life, Lucy.

"Therefore, this drug was formulated with the intention of making people forget the person that mattered most to them. The more important someone was, the harder it was to recall any memories of

them."
The butler smiled when faced with Bonnie's shock. "Mrs. Landry always had a purpose for doing
everything she does, and even her medications were tailored to help Mr. Landry." .
Bonnie was a little dubious of this. "Shouldn't it be the opposite way round? Shouldn't one be unable to
recall memories of people insignificant to them instead?"
The butler chuckled. "Master Landry still remembers me and Mickey and most of the names of the
servants working for him, but do you think servants like us matter more to him than you, a woman he
had been in love with for over a year and even almost got married to?"
Bonnie did not know how to reply to this,
He was right.
Jim could remember all the names of the people who served him, but not her.
Could the butler be telling the truth? Was she truly too important to him that led to him being unable to
remember her?

Seeing that Bonnie's attitude had loosened, the butler lifted his cup and took a sip from it." I've already

sent one of my men to follow Master Landry's assistant, so I'll be able to get my hands on the DNA test

results as soon as it comes out.

"With concrete evidence, Charlotte's lies will finally be exposed, and this will be the perfect chance for

you to get close to Master Landry."

With that, he handed the key to the main building to Bonnie. "Ms. Craig, please don't give up on Master

Landry. If you do, you will have lost someone who truly cares about you."

With that, he stood up and was about to leave when suddenly, his phone rang. An expression of delight

crossed his face when he saw the number on the screen. "The results are out!"

Chapter 2030

Bonnie felt her heart leap into her chest upon hearing the butler's words.

She was willing to bet that Shelly was not Charlotte's daughter at all, but despite that, she still wanted

to know the results of the DNA test.

What if...what if things were not as she thought?

After all, Jim had never told her the identity of Shelly's mother.

The butler did not intend to hide the results from Bonnie either. Instead, he put the call on speaker, and





herself Shelly's mother, which means that she knew fully well who Young Master Harvey's mother was. "Not only that..." The butler fell silent for a moment before finally saying, "I heard that the reason Charlotte and Master Landry broke up was because of Young Master Harvey, so if he were really her son, they wouldn't have separated in the first place." Bonnie finally felt her heart calm upon hearing this. She wrung her hands and lifted her head to glance at the butler. "But..." Apart from Charlotte, who was the other woman whose DNA had been tested alongside theirs? The butler fell silent for a moment, as though he had seen through Bonnie's doubt, then finally made a decision. "Listen to me. "I'll help you look after Shelly, or maybe you can send Shelly to Ms. Luna's for a few hours, but whatever you choose, I suggest you bring Young Master Harvey to the DNA Diagnostic Center for a

test yourself.

"I suspect that...the second woman's sample might've been yours."

Bonnie's entire body stiffened upon hearing this. She stared at the butler, her face etched with disbelief.
"Howhow could that be?"
How could she possibly be Harvey's mother?
However, on second thought Bonnie bit her lip and suddenly recalled her lost child, whom she just
could not locate at all.