

Luna & Joshua 241

Chapter 241

“Joshua, I missed you so much.”

In the bedroom back at the villa, Alice closed the door and hugged Joshua tightly from behind.

“All these years out there, a few times, I almost wanted to give up, but at the thought of you and the children... You’re my motivation that kept me alive... Luckily the children and I are back at your side now.”

Her tears soaked through Joshua’s shirt and into his bare back.

His heart felt as if it had been harshly grabbed and squeezed by an invisible hand.

He turned and pulled her into his arms. “Don’t worry, from now on, I won’t let you suffer anymore.”

“Okay.” Alice sniffed, “I hope the woman that stole our children... will soon be punished by the law.”

She lay on his chest, her tears falling in rivulets. “ You saw the situation too, Nellie and Neil are both on her side, they don’t even want to acknowledge me as their mother. The sooner she’s convicted, the sooner the children will grow to accept me...”

Joshua frowned.

The hopelessness that was written on her face when she was taken away by the police appeared

before his eyes.

His heart skipped a beat.

Then, a moment later, he sighed, "We should take this slow, study the case in detail."

Somehow, even though there was solid physical evidence, he still felt that Luna had a valid reason

behind all these.

Back then, how she saved Nellie and protected Neil, he saw all of it clearly with his own two eyes.

Even though her actions could not compensate for her evil deeds, the children still cared deeply about

her.

If he tried to get rid of this issue as fast as possible, he might leave a bad impression on the children.

Alice frowned in displeasure. She lay on his chest. "But I think the children won't like me as long as

she's here..."

"You should trust our children." Joshua softly ruffled her hair. "Be a good girl."

She hesitated for a second. "Alright."

Then, she raised her head and circled her arms around his neck, her eyes gentle. "Joshua, I've missed

you so much.”

The air was filled with anticipation.

In front of him was the face of the woman he had been missing for six years.

Joshua found it hard to control himself, he leaned down and instinctively tried to kiss her...

But when their lips were two centimeters away from touching, he stopped.

Maybe they had been apart for too long.

In a split second, he found he could not kiss the woman in front of him.

“Daddy! “

Suddenly, a child’s clear voice rang out from the entrance.

Joshua hurriedly raised his head.

Nellie stood at the entrance, her eyes red and puffy. “I want to sleep with you tonight.”

Alice frowned in displeasure. “Nellie, you’re already six years old. Once a girl grows up, she can’t sleep

in the same bed with her Daddy anymore.”

“Who said I’ve grown up, I’m still a kid! “

Then, she glared at Alice harshly. “I insist on sleeping with my Daddy, why are you jealous?”

Joshua chuckled helplessly at the little girl's words.

He stood up and walked to the door, heaving her into his arms. "Which mother will be jealous of her daughter? Daddy will accompany you tonight."

Hearing him, Alice bit her lip, piling a pitiful expression on her face. "But Joshua, tonight is our first night together in six years..."

Joshua laughed lightly with Nellie in his arms, "We have all the time we want in the future, tonight we'll accompany Nellie first. You should get some rest."

Then, he turned, carrying the little girl in his arms.

Riding in her father's arms, the little girl turned around and stuck her tongue out at Alice challengingly.

The woman glared at Nellie furiously, then turned and sat on the bed, stewing in anger.

Finally, she managed to approach Joshua, finally,

she became the Mrs. Gibson that he loved with all his heart.

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Then out of nowhere, two children, a boy and a girl appeared, and Luna Gibson after plastic surgery.

She closed the door, took out her phone furiously and dialed a number.

“Hello, Mr. Walter. Make some arrangements for Luna die in jail.”

Right then, a series of knocks sounded on the door. “We’ll talk later.”

She put down her phone and forced a smile onto her face, then opened the door, “Who is it?”

“Ms. Gibson, it’s me.”

Outside the door stood Neil in his pale-yellow pajamas. He cocked his head to the side, looking at her

innocently, “I went to look for Daddy, Daddy

said he’s accompanying Nellie tonight, so he asked me to come accompany you.”

Under the shine of the lights in the corridor, the little guy looked cute and innocent, like he would not

even hurt a fly, she could not help but like him.

Alice hesitated for a while, but finally tilted her body to the side. “Come on in.”

The moment Neil entered the room, Alice shut the door.

The little guy wiped the smile off his face and sat down elegantly in a chair. “Ms. Gibson you do look

exactly like my Mommy from her photos.”

Alice turned and sat on the bed, putting on a gentle front, and looked at Neil. “Of course, I’m your

biological mother.”

“Yeah.” Neil smiled and nodded faintly. “Since that’s the case, why not the four of us go and get a paternity test done tomorrow? We’ll ask Mr. Joshua Lynch to bring us, and get the test done on the spot. Then, we can finally be together as a family. What do you think?”

The little guy’s words made the smile disappear from Alice’s face in an instant!

If they did a paternity test with Joshua, her trick would be exposed right away!

She narrowed her eyes. “What do you mean, kid? Are you still worried I ‘m not your biological mother?”

Neil changed into a more comfortable posture and looked at her. “You can only convince me and my sister with a paternity test. If the results show that you are indeed our biological Mommy, on the spot, we’ll change and call you our Mommy, what do you think?”

Alice stared at him for a while.

A moment later, she sneered, “Are you purposely trying to scare me off?”

The little guy was brilliant, suggesting a paternity test the moment he stepped in, going straight to the point.

He must be certain she was an imposter, that was why he was so bold.

“I’m here to strike a deal with you, Ms. Gibson.”

Neil yawned, his gaze light and uncaring. “The moment you came you sent my Mommy to prison, if we don’t obey what you say, I know you must have an inside man. I ‘m worried about Mommy’s safety and you’re worried we would expose you with a paternity test.”

Alice kept her eyes trained on Neil coldly.

“So, you want to use this to strike a deal with me?”

“Yeah. “ The little guy crossed his legs and looked directly at her. “We’ll each get what we want, otherwise if we have no choice, we will make Mr.

Joshua Lynch arrange for all of us to complete a maternity test. I think he will agree to me and my sister’s request.”

Alice narrowed her eyes at him, keeping them trained on Neil’s eyes.

The little guy met her eyes without an ounce of fear.

A long moment later, Alice laughed lightly, “Are you sure, you won’t expose me if I let Luna go?”

“It’s not that I won’t expose you, I just won’t play the paternity test card.”

Neil barked out a laugh, “You won’t promise that you’ll never hurt our Mommy again, am I right? It’s just that we need to cooperate at this moment.”

Then, the little guy yawned. “I ‘m tired, I’ll give you another five minutes to consider.”

Alice gritted her teeth furiously.

He was Joshua’s son after all, so smart that he pissed her off.

A moment later, she narrowed her eyes. “I’m curious about something. Why didn’t Luna expose her true identity as Luna Gibson, but continued this charade under her current identity? If she wanted to return to Joshua’s side, wouldn’t it be faster if she exposed her identity as Luna Gibson? Why was she hiding the truth?”

Neil narrowed his eyes.

If she found out, she would stir up a bucketload of trouble again. So the little guy pursed his lips and smiled. “Because we just want something from that idiot Lynch, we’ll leave once we have it.”

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At dawn the next day, Joshua was awakened by Nellie who was lying in his arms.

The little girl poked her finger into his cheek. "Daddy, why are you so handsome?"

Her childish ways drew a chuckle out of him. With sleep still in his eyes, he ruffled her hair softly. "Isn't it nice to have a handsome Daddy?"

"Of course, it is!" Nellie smiled, her eyes slanting upwards into little crescents, and held his face, planting a kiss on his cheek. "You'll look even better if you can release Aunty Luna."

At the little girl's mention of Luna, Joshua's gaze turned dark. He glanced at Nellie. "Do you want her to be released so badly?"

"Yeah!" Nellie hugged his arm. "Since I could remember, she was the one who has been taking care of me, if she wasn't nice to me, I wouldn't appear in front of you, happy and healthy, am I right? She's so nice to me, I can't bear to see her suffer."

He frowned. He saw with his own two eyes how nice Luna was to Nellie. She was actually a kind woman. But, why did she do something like that all those years ago...

The little girl's dark eyes were trained on Joshua. "Daddy, can you let Aunty Luna go?"

Sighing, he patted her head gently, "This isn't something I can decide alone."

Both him and Alice were the victims in this case. It was useless if he alone forgave Luna because the

one who was hurt the most was Alice.

“Then if Aunty Alice doesn’t want to take action anymore, will you stop too, Daddy?” Nellie asked him, her big eyes looking at him expectantly.

Joshua remained quiet for a long while. A second later, he nodded. “If she doesn’t want to take action anymore, I won’t either.”

“You promised! “ With that, Nellie climbed out of bed, and flew into the bathroom to wash up.

Looking at the little girl’s retreating back, Joshua shook his head and followed her into the bathroom to wash his face.

When he carried Nellie downstairs for breakfast, Neil and Alice were already seated at the dining table.

“Good morning, Mr. Lynch.” Sitting on his chair, Neil raised his arm in a lazy greeting.

Joshua set Nellie down into her chair and glared at him solemnly. “Call me Daddy.”

The little guy rolled his eyes. “Isn’t it enough for Nellie to call you Daddy?”

Then, he turned and glanced at Alice. “Pretty Gibson, you agree with me, don’t you?”

Joshua sat beside Alice, his expression dark and angry. “You call your biological father Mr. Lynch and

your biological mother Pretty Gibson?”

Neil pouted. “I’ll address all of you however I like.”

“You! “

“Joshua.” Alice frowned and interrupted him. She forced a gentle expression onto her face and glanced at Neil. “It’s fine if the kids call us that, it’ll take them some time before they accept us.”

In fact, she was the one who would not be able to take it if the two kids addressed her as their mother all at once.

Joshua snorted coldly but said nothing.

The four of them started eating, each busy with their own thoughts and schemes.

After breakfast, Alice pulled Joshua onto the sofa. “I have something to say to you.”

Hearing her words, Neil wiggled his eyebrows at Nellie. The two children approached them, starting a game of legos on the carpet in front of the sofa.

Alice rolled her eyes silently. The children were still so young and yet there was no end to their plans and schemes. Playing their legos right in front of them, it was obvious they just wanted to eavesdrop on her conversation with Joshua.

“What’s wrong?” Joshua’s low voice pulled her thoughts back to the man in front of her.

She coughed softly, “I think we should let Luna off the hook.”

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Joshua frowned but remained silent.

“I gave it a lot of thought last night, even though Luna made a mistake all those years ago, but she did treat the children well. It’s partly because of her that our children are so good and obedient. She’s made up for her mistakes, I just want to move on.”

Joshua frowned. “Is this really what you think?”

“Yeah.” Alice reached out her hand and held Joshua’s. “The children like her so much, I don’t want them to get sad because of her. Besides, she’s the Design Director of the Lynch Group now, a rare talent, your company needs her. That’s why, I was thinking, maybe we should give her another chance to turn over a new leaf.”

She sounded so sincere even the children playing with legos on the floor could not help but admire her.

No wonder she dared to become an imposter and take someone else’s identity.

Her acting skills were superb! “Lulu, I’m glad you agree.”

Sighing, Joshua pulled her into his lap and hugged her tightly, “You’re as kind as you used to be.”

He remembered Luna to be a kind and gentle woman, just like how she was right now.

Yesterday, looking at her as she squeezed Luna’s neck and how she insisted he get rid of Luna, he was taken aback.

He thought she had changed.

But now, hearing her words, he felt as if the rock on his chest had finally been lifted. His Luna Gibson had not changed at all.

“Call me Alice.”

She lay on his chest and reminded him softly. “I don’t want to use that name any longer.”

Joshua nodded, smoothing her hair gently. “Alice.”

He hugged her tightly into his arms. After a long moment, he sighed, “One more thing.”

He lowered his eyes, fingers gently caressing her brows. “How do you plan to deal with... Aura?”

Previously, he never took action against Aura, merely locking her up, because he wanted to wait until

Luna was home.

He wanted to listen to her opinion, wanted to hear her make her own decision. Now, she was finally home. This matter should be decided by her.

Alice's body stiffened slightly.

"That woman almost killed Nellie and me several times." Beside them, Neil played with his legos and rolled his eyes. "Don't tell me you're going to let her go?"

"Of course we can't let her go." Alice narrowed her eyes and smiled suggestively. "But Joshua, she's my sister after all..."

Neil and Nellie looked at each other immediately.

This woman!

She wanted to let Aura go?!

They worked so hard for so long and finally, Aura was in prison, but now this woman wanted to release her?!

Joshua frowned and looked at her. "What do you want to do?"

"It was wrong of her to try and harm our two children. But she's my sister, my parents' favorite

daughter. If we really did anything to her, I'm afraid my parents won't be able to withstand it. Why not..."

Alice laughed lightly, "We buy her a flight ticket, send her overseas, and let her off as long as she doesn't come back for the rest of her life."

Then, she lay on his chest gently. "This way, not only will she never have the chance to hurt Nellie and Neil again, my parents won't cause trouble for us, it's like killing two birds with one stone."

"No! "

Nellie's eyes turned red in an instant, she flung the lego out of her hands. "I want her to be punished by the law! I don't want to let her go!"

That woman was so evil, why would they let her go!

Then, she pointed at Alice agitatedly. "Why are you taking her side! Aren't you afraid I 'll tell Daddy.

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"Nellie."

When the little girl was agitated, Neil grabbed her hand.

"I'm sorry, she's too agitated."

The little guy held onto Nellie then turned and looked coldly at Joshua. "Since you already made this decision, we don't have the right to oppose you.

Children's words are not worth much anyway. But you have to promise, Aura won't appear in front of us ever again for the rest of our lives. Otherwise, we won't acknowledge you as our father."

Then, he pulled Nellie's hand and went upstairs.

Alice narrowed her eyes and watched the two siblings retreating backs, then smiled wryly. "This child."

Joshua sighed, "You really plan to... send Aura to Europe?"

"Yeah." Alice smiled faintly. "Aura has been spoiled by our parents, she stopped studying after graduating middle school. Why not enroll her in a boarding school, let her catch up on her education, maybe she'll then become more cultured?"

Joshua sighed, "Your plans are still the most well-rounded."

Not only could they ensure his in-laws' feelings were not hurt, but they could also make Aura experience life as if she was in prison, and stop her from causing any further trouble. It was a perfect plan.

But...

It could not compensate for the pain and suffering Nellie and Neil went through.

“Neil, why did you stop me!”

Back in the children’s room, Nellie was so angry she started crying. “She did it on purpose, she wants

to release Aura! I want to threaten her, to make her change her mind! “

“Nellie!”

The little boy furrowed his brows tightly. “We’ve already threatened her and made her release Mommy!

Now, she has Mommy in the palms of her hands, we don’t have much choice! “

Nellie cried and bit her lip, “Then we are just going to let Aura go like that?”

“Of course not.”

Neil narrowed his eyes.

“Don’t forget, once she’s in Europe, she’s in our godfather, Malcolm Quinn’s stronghold! “

The little girl raised her head immediately. “That’s right.”

That evening.

In the Banyan City prison.

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Luna sat on the bed in a daze, staring with empty eyes at the tiny window.

Early that morning, she was brought to the interrogation room. They had been interrogating her the whole day.

They threatened her, intimidated her, and insulted her.

That day, she experienced verbal assault that she had never experienced before. They seemed to find it bothersome to attack her physically, so instead, they launched verbal attacks against her to break her mentally.

It was just a single day, but to Luna, she felt as if the day lasted for a whole century.

She did not know when she would be able to leave, she did not know how long she could withstand this.

Maybe, one day, she would succumb to the pressure. Either she would die.

Or confess.

In the bed opposite her, Aura was tidying her clothes and humming at the same time.

She raised her head, glanced at the despondent Luna, and laughed, "You've been staring at the

window for so long, did you see anything noteworthy?”

Luna frowned and pulled her thoughts back. “I’m leaving soon, I’m packing my stuff.”

Aura laughed cheerfully and glanced at Luna, “You didn’t expect this, did you?”

Luna narrowed her eyes. “You can leave?”

“Of course I can.” Aura chuckled, continuing her sleek motions in packing her clothes, “You didn’t expect this, did you? You were the one who sent me in here, now I’m leaving but you’re the one staying behind! “

She smiled, satisfied with herself. “Still confused?”

Where do you think she got all the information about you?”

Aura yawned. “Alice Gibson came to me, before you and our parents. The moment she arrived in Banyan City and heard I was in prison; she came here to visit me. We struck a deal, I would tell her about you and the children.”

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“In exchange, she promised to release me.”

In an instant, Luna's face turned pale as a ghost.

She had been working so hard and finally, Aura was in prison.

But alas, once that Alice appeared, everything she did was in vain.

"I told you, you're too stupid." Aura whistled, "You purposely erased all physical traces of Luna, you

didn't want to admit you're Luna Gibson. If you don't want to be Luna Gibson, tons of people are willing

to take your place. Now, Alice Gibson has become Luna Gibson but you have no way of proving your

identity. Say, how pitiful are you? You spent so much time and effort to get me in here, and for what? All

she needs is a few whispers in his ears, and I'm out of here."

With that, she yawned. "Say, when she gave him her suggestions, do you think they just slept

together?"

Luna's heart squeezed in her chest. It hurt.

But she still forced a calm smile onto her face. "What does it matter if they're together? Do you think he

hasn't been with many women?"

Aura paused; she was just going to say Joshua had only had Luna Gibson alone...

Then she changed her mind. What should she tell her?

So she shrugged. "You're right. I had him too. What a pity."

Luna felt disgusted.

She changed her position, showing Aura nothing except a cold view of her back.

At that moment, the door was unlocked.

The female warden walked in frowning. "You can leave now."

Aura was delighted. "I can go now, right?"

The warden glanced at Luna sitting in the distance. "Both of you can go now."

"It seems like the two little kids are quite smart after all."

Changing out of their prisoner's jumpsuit, Aura and Luna walked out of the changing room.

In the corridor, Aura said coldly, "Who would've thought you could walk out of here with me?"

What a waste, she had asked Alice to bribe all the guards and prisoners in the jail, to teach Luna a

lesson.

Luna looked forward expressionlessly. She did not want to acknowledge Aura.

This woman named Alice Gibson appeared out of the blue, spoiling her entire plan.

She even used Luna Gibson's identity to destroy all of her previous efforts! By releasing Aura.

In the future, it would be easier to make pigs fly than make Aura pay the price for her crimes again.

With this thought, waves of despair surged in Luna's chest.

The night was dark.

Two cars were parked outside the police station.

One of them was Joseph and Natasha's car. The other belonged to Anne and her boyfriend John.

Luna and Aura stepped out of the police station, one behind the other.

"Dad! Mom! "

As if on purpose, the moment she walked out of the door, Aura raced toward Joseph and Natasha.

"I missed the two of you so much! "

Natasha and Joseph hugged Aura tightly, one on each side. "Our darling daughter..."

The family of three hugged each other and started crying.

Luna looked on expressionlessly as they indulged in their familial love for each other.

Actually, she belonged to the Gibson family too.

But at that moment, she looked at the three of them standing in the distance and felt the memories of

the time they spent as a family of four drifting further and further away.

Maybe she should have known a long time ago.

She should not have foolishly hoped for something like familial love.

When she was watching them in a daze, Aura turned and smiled eerily at her. "Ms. Luna, you and I

have a long way more to go." Natasha frowned, glanced at Luna in disgust, then turned and patted

Aura's back. "Why are you talking to someone like her who has no conscience?"

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Standing in the cold wind, Luna stared as the three members of the Gibson family climbed into their car

and drove away.

Since they were children, their parents' love was focused solely on Aura. She did not get a single bit of

it.

"Luna! "

When she was stuck in her daze, Anne had already rushed toward her.

"Are you okay?" "I'm fine."

Anne hooked an arm through hers intimately and said, “Come on, we’ll go to my house for soup! “

The three of them boarded John’s car. On the way, Anne chattered non-stop about the coincidence that day.

That day, because of Luna’s pregnancy tests, a misunderstanding was caused between Anne and John, and that later led to his promotion.

Luna looked outside the window, the scene from that day appearing in front of her eyes.

The night before, she and Joshua had slept together for the first time in six years.

But sadly, she did not get pregnant. A surge of sadness gushed in her chest.

Now that this new unknown ‘Luna Gibson’ had appeared, it would be almost impossible for her to get pregnant with Joshua’s child again.

Not too long later, they reached Anne’s home.

John helped Anne set up the pot for the soup then shrugged on his jacket and left. “I won’t be in the way of you two best friends reconnecting.”

When the sounds of his footsteps disappeared at the end of the hallway, Anne heaved a sigh of relief, clutching Luna’s hand in grief and said, “I was almost shocked to death when Neil called me and told

me you were at the police station! What happened, why would your doppelgänger suddenly appear?”

“Someone has her eyes on the position as Mrs. Lynch.”

Luna sighed and told Anne about everything that happened recently.

“Oh my god, how could something like this happen?”

Anne’s heart ached uncontrollably. “Neil said he can take care of the situation over there at Blue Bay

Villa, you don’t have to worry about him and Nellie. You should stay here with me for now.”

“Thank you.” Luna raised her wine glass and emptied it.

Anne could tell she was in a bad mood, but she did not know how to comfort her, all she could do was

match her glass for glass.

Then, she became drunk.

Leaning on Anne’s shoulder, Luna’s tears soaked through her clothes.

“I just want to save Nigel, to give my children and myself a good life, why is it so difficult? Why can’t I

make Aura and Joshua pay for their actions?”

Anne hugged her tightly, “Everything will be alright.”

She comforted Luna all the way till midnight. Finally, Luna fell asleep.

She switched off the lights in the room and tidied up the mess on the coffee table.

However, when she went downstairs to throw out the trash, she ran into Joshua.

He stood beside his car smoking and did not notice Anne's appearance.

She hesitated for a second, but mustered her courage and approached him.

"Mr. Lynch?"

The man turned around, saw it was her and took a drag off his cigarette elegantly.

"You're still awake? " Anne glanced at the cigarette butts at his feet. There were more than ten of them,

at least.

"Mr. Lynch, your beloved wife is back, shouldn't you be in her arms at home right now? Why are you

here?"

Joshua paused and smiled. "I can't sleep."

The woman he had been missing for six whole years was finally back, like what Anne described, he

thought he would be sleeping peacefully with his wife in his arms.

But somehow, he just could not fall asleep.

His love for her had been carved into his heart and his bones throughout the past six years, but

whenever he wanted to get intimate with Alice, his body rejected it instinctively.

What's more, when he was hugging Alice, he would think of Luna.

Tonight he tried for a long time and yet he still could not fall asleep with Luna Gibson in his arms like he

used to six years ago.

Finally, he had no choice but to leave the house with work as an excuse and left her alone at home.

Unconsciously, he arrived here.

He threw the cigarette butt onto the floor and crushed it with his foot. "Where's Luna?"

When she left the prison tonight, he was watching from afar as she boarded John's car.

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"She was in a bad mood, so she got drunk and fell asleep."

Joshua's eyes darkened.

After a second, he sighed in a low voice, "That's understandable."

The two children that she had poured all her time and effort into raising for six years were now

suddenly back in their parents' arms, maybe she was having a hard time accepting that fact?

"Mr. Lynch." Anne frowned. "I have a question."

"Go ahead."

"You always said in public that you love your wife, you want her home and you would be good to her

your entire life. But now that she's really back, you come here in the middle of the night. Have you...

fallen for Luna?"

"Ms. Zimmer, you tell a good joke." Joshua denied without a moment's hesitation. "I'm just expressing

my concern." His lips lifted in a faint smile. "After all, she once poured all her time and effort into my

children."

Anne laughed.

"Fine if you don't want to admit it. I'm going back up. You should go home soon, in case people

misunderstand."

Back in her room, Anne instinctively took a peek downstairs before climbing into bed.

The man remained where he was, lighting yet another cigarette.

She rolled her eyes. Joshua Lynch Early the next morning, the hungover Luna was rudely awakened

by the ring of her phone.

The call was from Shannon.

The once proud and haughty Design Director was now Luna's assistant.

On the other end of the phone, she laughed, as if trying to flatter Luna, "Director, you haven't been to the office in two days, are you coming in today to guide us with some work? After all, us at the design department need you to come up with the design scheme."

Luna rubbed a spot between her eyebrows. "Wasn't I fired?" "Fired?"

On the other end of the phone, Shannon paused. "

Are you perhaps cracking a joke? Someone like you, you're so famous, besides you were directly appointed by President Lynch's father, who could fire you?"

Luna climbed up from the bed, it took her a long while before she could gather her wits about her. "I'm going into the office today."

Since she was not fired, she still had to work.

After all, this was the only connection between her and Joshua now.

It was not because she cared about Joshua, but because...

With the two little children by Joshua and Alice's side, she had to try her best to approach them.

Sucking in a deep breath, she climbed out of bed and started washing up.

Anne leaned on the door to the bathroom and yawned. "Guess who I saw last night after you fell asleep?"

Luna frowned and glanced at her. "Who?" "Joshua Lynch."

Her hand that was cleaning herself paused slightly.

A second later, she laughed self-deprecatingly, "That joke's not funny."

"I'm not joking."

Anne winked at her. "Imagine this, Joshua didn't really love you six years ago, he was just putting on an act. And now, Alice Gibson used your identity and returned to him. She started making decisions the moment she returned, to let you and Aura go. If I was Joshua, I would hate her too, of course, I wouldn't be all lovey-dovey with her."

Luna paused for a second, and looked at her helplessly. "So?"

"I think you still have a chance, try your best to

seduce him. Besides, you'll run as soon as you get pregnant, you don't plan to spend the rest of your life with him."

Luna paused. "We'll talk about this later." Her mind was in a mess.

After tidying herself up, Luna slung her backpack on and walked downstairs.

The moment she walked out of the door to her building, Luna was surrounded by the reporters that were hiding outside.

"Ms. Luna, may I ask why you're staying here instead of Blue Bay Villa?"

"Ms. Luna, I heard Mr. Lynch's ex-wife, Ms. Gibson is back, what do you plan to do?"

"Has Mr. Lynch dumped you?"

"You were dumped the moment you announced your relationship with Mr. Lynch, Ms. Luna do you still plan on working at the Lynch Group?"

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Facing the reporters with their cameras in all shapes and sizes, Luna frowned.

Why would these reporters be here at Anne's apartment?

Only the Gibsons who were outside the police station, Joshua, Anne, and her boyfriend knew she spent the night at Anne's apartment.

Joshua did not have to humiliate her with a scheme like this.

So this could only be Aura's plot.

She snorted. Such a troublemaker, stirring up trouble for her the moment she was released from jail.

Her sister was dedicated indeed.

With this thought, she barked out a laugh, swiped her hair back elegantly and said, "I'm sorry, but you should ask Mr. Lynch about this instead. I did announce my relationship with Mr. Lynch and his ex-wife did come home. Whether we would break up or not, and whether I will continue working at the Lynch Group, these are all Mr. Lynch's decisions, aren't they? Should I tell you his address?"

Her calm and collected expression, and how she turned their questions against them silenced the reporters.

"If there's nothing important, I'm heading to work now."

With that, she held onto the strap of her bag and walked out of the crowd of reporters elegantly.

When she left the housing area, Luna climbed into a taxi and her phone rang.

It was Joshua.

Luna hesitated for a second but answered.

“I saw the news.” On the other end of the phone, the man’s voice remained cool and detached. “I asked

Lucas to take care of it.”

She curled her lips emotionlessly. “Thank you, Mr. Lynch.”

There was a long silence from the other end of the phone.

“Last night I wanted to visit you but your friend said you were asleep.”

She turned and looked out the car window. “If you have anything to say, just tell me through the phone.”

Joshua sighed faintly, “Alice is back now, there’s no need to continue our charade. Thank you for taking

care of Nellie and Neill all these years. Alice and I will take good care of them. In the future, you

should... try not to see them. Children’s emotions come and go in an instant, I hope they can get along

with Alice, and slowly grow to accept her as their biological mother. Your work at the Lynch Group will

remain the same, but you don’t have to teach Nellie anymore, I’ll hire another teacher.”

Luna clutched her phone tightly, listening to Joshua’s arrangements on the other end, she felt like

crying and laughing at the same time.

She only returned to get one of Joshua's 'seeds' to cure Nigel's disease.

But who would expect that now, by some cruel trick of destiny, she had turned into a kidnapping

stepmother?

And now, she was forced to part with her children whom she had raised for six years.

She closed her eyes, remained silent for a long while, then finally laughed softly, "Alright."

Hanging up the phone, her fingers brushed at the tears at the corners of her eyes.

When she woke up this morning, she received a long voice message that Nellie and Neil sent to her.

The children were smart and thoughtful, they were worried she would be sad, so they prepared a whole

speech filled with their warm words to try and make her happy.

But the more obedient they were, the harder it was for her to control her emotions.

She was not a good mother.

It was so simple, but she messed it all up.

And even now, she could not make Aura pay for her actions.

At the office, no matter where she went, fingers pointed at her and talked about her behind her back.

She knew what they were talking about, what they were laughing about, but she did not care.

She had no choice but to stay on at the Lynch Group.

Throughout the whole day, she buried herself in her work, not giving herself any downtime to rest.

In the evening after work, Luna walked to the bus stop, exhausted.

A car rolled to a stop in front of her.

The window rolled down and exposed Aura's smiling face. "I'm going to study abroad in Europe

tomorrow, should I treat you to a cup of coffee as a goodbye?"

Luna turned, not even bothering to look at her. "I'm not interested."

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"You're not interested, even if it's about your life and birth?"

"What life and birth?"

"I knew you would be interested."

Aura curled her lips into a smile. "Get in, I won't eat you."

Aura brought Luna to a coffee shop nearby. "Spit it out."

Sitting on the chair, Luna sucked in a deep breath

and looked at the woman in front of her with cold eyes.

Aura sipped her coffee. "I wanted to give some time as a buffer..."

Then, she set down the cup of coffee in her hands. "Hearing me saying I want to discuss your life and

birth with you, do you think, you might very

possibly not be, Mom and Dad's child?" Luna frowned and said nothing.

"It's understandable if you think that. After all, all these years Mom and Dad treated you like an adopted

daughter. But the truth is in fact the complete opposite."

Aura switched into a more comfortable position and lay her back on the sofa. "I'm not their biological

daughter."

Luna's hand that was holding her cup paused in mid-air.

After a long while, she finally found her voice. "How is that possible..."

Her parents loved Aura dearly. They bought her the best, the most expensive items. As her elder sister,

Luna could only get her pass-me-downs.

And now Aura was saying, she was not their biological daughter?!

“I’m not entirely unrelated to them.”

Aura raised her hand and rubbed her fingers against the ceramic cup. “I am Dad’s biological daughter.

We share the same father but were born to different mothers. When Dad had an affair, my mother and

Natasha got pregnant at the same time. When she was pregnant, my mother broke up with Dad. She

didn’t want me from the moment I was born. How could Dad let me suffer all alone in the world? So he

quietly switched me and your biological sister. I became the second daughter of the Gibson family,

while your biological sister was sent to an orphanage.”

Luna sat in the same spot, her body shivering from the sudden cold.

Aura, whom Natasha had loved and protected all these years, was the child of Joseph’s mistress?

Sucking in a deep breath, Luna bit her lip. “Aura, you can’t simply blab about your birth like that.”

“You don’t trust me?”

Aura’s lips curled into a smile and took out two DNA reports.

One belonged to Aura and Natasha.

The other belonged to Aura and another woman.

The reports showed that Aura and Natasha were not mother and daughter, but instead Aura was the other woman's daughter.

Aura lifted her cup elegantly and took a sip. "I'm going to Europe tomorrow to meet my birth mother, so I came here to tell you all these."

Luna looked at the two reports in her hands, biting her lip harshly.

"Then where is my biological sister?"

Aura shrugged. "How would I know? I'm not God."

She stood up. "If there's nothing else, I'll be leaving now. My dear sister, I won't be seeing you again."

Luna sat in the same spot, looked at Aura's retreating back, a mix of emotions surging in her chest.

Her father had an affair.

Aura was not her biological sister. Then where was her sister?

Suddenly, the image of the woman named Alice, who recently appeared in their lives, surfaced in front of her eyes.

Could it be...

