Luna & Joshua 2761

Chapter 2761

Yannie's entire body froze when she heard this.

She quickly hung up the phone and turned around.

Thomas was standing behind her in his usual clothes, frowning.

Due to the drug's effects, Thomas looked frailer than usual, and his face was as pale as a sheet of

paper. Despite this, his eyes were filled with worry and concern. "Who were you talking to? Who

disrespected you? Is it Luna or Joshua?"

Yannie's heart lurched at this. She bit her lip and shook her head. "Nothing."

With that, she reached out to grab hold of Thomas' hand. "Let's go. We need to ... go visit your father

quickly."

Thomas furrowed his brow. He turned her around so that he was clasping her hand and pulled her into

his arms. Yannie, you're the love of my life, and I won't let anyone

harm you.

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"You don't have to hide anything from me. If Luna or Joshua were being unfair to you or tried to hurt

you, you have to tell me, and I'll always be on your side."

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Then, he lowered his head and gently pinched her nose. You're Riley's mother-the mother of my child

and my

future wife. Who else will be on your side if not me?"

Yannie suddenly felt like crying at this. She bit her lip, nodded, trying to stop her tears from falling, and

removed herself from his arms. "Let's go."

Thomas was a little annoyed by how reluctant she seemed to be close to him. He furrowed his brow

and pulled her into his embrace once more. "What's wrong, Yannie?"

He did not recall ever upsetting her, and judging from her conversation on the phone, he was not the

one who had disrespected her, so why was she behaving so hostilely?

Did he do anything wrong?

He did not even sleep with Denise while they were at Howard Mansion, so why was Yannie so upset?

"Nothing." Yannie bit her lip, removed Thomas' arm from her waist, and then said, "I just think we

should get to your father's as soon as possible.

"Mr. Lynch called just now saying that your father has just woken up, and if we don't get there soon,

your stepmother might start telling him lies about you."

Then, she turned and strode towards the elevator.

A glimmer of sadness crept into Thomas' eyes as he watched her leave. It seemed that Yannie was

upset about something to do with him.

Even if she were angry about something else, she would never behave this way toward him.

However, no matter how hard he tried, he could not seem to recall what he had done to anger her.

Therefore, he had no choice but to sigh and follow her into the elevator.

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"How dare you even show your face here, Thomas Howard!" the man stormed toward their direction.

Chapter 2762

Yannie did not know who this man was, but when she saw him storming toward Thomas in anger, she

instinctively leaped in front of Thomas to shield him.

Smack! The man's slap landed on Yannie's face harshly.

The entire hallway fell silent at this.

Everyone, including the tall man and Thomas, who had just emerged from the elevator, were too

stunned to speak.

A split second later, Thomas pulled Yannie into his arms and shot the man a murderous glare. "Dan, if

you have anything against me, you should come at me like a man instead of hurting innocent women!"

Yannie realized that this tall man was none other than Dan Howard, Thomas' half-brother.

Dan immediately regained his composure upon hearing this. He shot his brother a cold look and

snapped, "If this woman hadn't come out of nowhere, you would've gotten it!"

With that, he stormed toward Thomas once more, shouting, "How dare you even show your face here

after hurting our dad like this? Not only that, but you even let your woman protect you?"

Dan was a lanky man, so when he stormed toward Thomas, he kicked up a gust of wind that seemed

to take over the entire room.

Yannie was worried that Thomas, in his weakened state, would not stand a chance against him, so she

tried to pry herself out of Thomas' grip, but instead, she was trapped.

Thomas reached out to stop Dan's fist and, in doing so, lowered his head to smile at her. "I'm always

here to protect you. No matter what happens, you don't need to protect me."

At this moment, Dan raised his other arm in preparation. for combat.

Thomas curled his lips into a smirk, shoved Yannie aside, and grabbed Dan's other hand before he

could bring it down on him.

Then, he gave a sharp twist

"Agh-!" Dan's wails of agony echoed through the hallway.

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"Thomas Howard! Is hurting your father not enough that you now want to hurt your brother too?" Tina

quickly sprinted over, shoving Yannie out of the way in annoyance, and grabbed hold of Thomas' arm.

"Let go of him!"

Thomas curled his lips into a sneer. "I hadn't intended to harm him at all, but..."

He narrowed his eyes and glanced at Yannie, whose cheek was red and swollen from Dan's slap. "He

laid his finger on Yannie."

He gave another sharp twist, and with another howl of pain, Dan finally slumped to the ground limply.

Tina quickly stormed forward to check on him.

Even though Dan had always been tall, he was surprisingly malnourished and weak for his size, so he

could not stand a chance against Thomas at all.

At this moment, both his arms lay limply by his sides as though Thomas had dislocated them.

Tina was both upset and concerned by this. However, she had no choice but to lift Dan off the ground

and go off in search of a doctor, all the while muttering profanities about Thomas under her breath.

After the two of them left, Thomas furrowed his brow and strode over to Yannie's side. He placed one

arm around her shoulder as he gently touched her cheek with his other hand. "Does it hurt?"

It was his fault for accidentally hurting Senior Howard; if Dan had attacked him because of this, he

would not have resisted. Not only that, but he would have welcomed Dan's wrath and announced that

he had already received the punishment he deserved.

After all, Senior Howard had done plenty of bad things

toward him throughout the years, so this would put the two of them even.

However, Dan slapped Yannie instead.

This was what had sent Thomas over the edge and broken his arms out of rage.

"I'm fine." Yannie felt a little uneasy at the intimate position they were adopting. She pursed her lips,

removed herself from Thomas' grasp, and then pointed at Senior Howard's room. "You'd better go

quick."

Thomas furrowed his brow. "What's going on, Yannie?"

Why was she desperately trying to avoid him?

"You should go visit your father first," Joshua's voice rang out from behind him. "You'll find out what

happened with Yannie soon enough."

Chapter 2763

Both Thomas and Yannie lifted their heads in unison upon hearing this.

At this moment, Joshua was standing at the door to Senior Howard's room, staring calmly at them.

It was clear that he had been inside the room all this while and had only emerged when he heard the

commotion. This explained why Tina and Dan were waiting outside the room instead of being with

Senior Howard.

At the thought of this, Thomas glanced at Yannie, frowning, then at Joshua. He hesitated for a moment

before finally making his way across the hallway, circling past Joshua, and entering the room.

The door slammed shut behind him.

Yannie quickly strode over to Joshua's side and whispered, "Mr. Lynch, Thomas' father..."

"He's fine," Joshua replied calmly. "Thankfully, Thomas' bullet did not hit anything critical, and so he's

currently stable. However ... "

He turned to glance at the closed door and sighed. "The misunderstanding between them will only run

deeper from here on out.

"In the future, you'll need to try harder to get Thomas and his father to reconcile.

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Yannie bit her lip when she heard this.

A split second later, she lifted her head to stare at Joshua. "Mr. Lynch, I know you and Luna want

nothing more than for Thomas and me to work things out, but..."

She let out an exhale. "I'm sorry, but... I don't think I can continue being with Thomas anymore."

She took a small step back to increase the distance between her and Joshua, then lifted her head to

stare at him in determination. "I'll help Thomas patch things up with his father, but unfortunately, I won't

stay to help him any further than this.

"I feel that I need some time apart from him to think things through, and vice versa."

Joshua furrowed his brow upon hearing this. "Do you care about what happened between him and

Denise?"

"How can I not?" Yannie curled her lips into a bitter smile. "Unfortunately, I'm

not as forgiving and selfless as some people. I can't possibly accept what happened between the two

of them ... "

She bit her lip and recalled the sounds she had heard while being tied up outside the room. She would

never be able to forget the cries of pleasure emanating from within the room.

Every time she was reminded of this and laid eyes on Thomas...she would feel strangely frustrated.

She loved Thomas, she truly did, but it was precisely because of how much she loved him that she

could not stomach the idea of him having slept with another

woman.

At the thought of this, Yannie sighed and said, "Thomas doesn't know about what happened yet. I'll tell

him the truth after he recovers from all this, and I'm sure he will respect my decision."

Joshua's expression darkened upon this. Finally, he let out a sigh of resignation and asked, "Well, what

are you going to do in the future?"

"I'll bring my mother back home to Merchant City or..." Yannie paused for a moment. "Or perhaps we'll

go to Sea City and Banyan City.

"You and Luna are from Banyan City, whereas Gwen is from Sea City, the two places I'd like to visit

eventually. Perhaps I'll even consider traveling the world with my mother."

Joshua pursed his lips. "Have you ever considered what will happen to Riley in the future?"

Chapter 2764

Yannie was a little shocked when Joshua brought up Riley.

A split second later, she let out a bitter chuckle and said, "I'll leave Riley with Thomas."

Riley was sick and needed to be hospitalized long-term for her treatment.

Unlike Thomas, Yannie knew she was not wealthy nor possessed Thomas' intelligence, so she would

not be able to provide Riley with the lifestyle she deserved. Things would be different if Riley were to

live with Thomas.

Thomas would provide only the best for her so that she would grow up a healthy, happy child.

At the thought of this, Yannie curled her lips into a smile and glanced at Joshua. " Mr. Lynch, are you

bringing up Riley...to try to convince me not to leave?"

Joshua narrowed his eyes and shook his head. "It's shameful to use a mother's child to keep her

hostage, so I never intend to do anything like that."

Yannie's heart lurched when she heard this.

A split second later, she paused and said, "Well...what are you trying to say, Mr. Lynch?"

Joshua furrowed his brow and explained slowly, "Thomas is my cousin, so it might not be my place to

say this, but the truth is, even though I agree that he will be an amazing father, he's still not capable of

raising a daughter all by himself.

"You, on the other hand, are far more thoughtful and considerate than he is. When you were helping

Luna, I could tell that you, like your mother, helped her greatly when it came to small details.

"Besides, your mother also once helped Luna and I take care of our three children, so...

He fixed his gaze on Yannie and continued, "If you truly want to leave Thomas, I strongly advise you to

bring Riley with you, where she'll be better off."

Yannie never expected Joshua to say this to her.

She was so stunned she could not even speak, and after a long moment, she finally lifted her head to

stare at him dazedly, biting her lip. "Mr. Lynch, you...

"Riley used to be my and Luna's adopted daughter, so it's only natural we'd want her to be happy.

Besides ... "

He fell silent for a long time before finally adding, "She and our second daughter were born at the same

time and eventually switched out for the other, so in a way, we're fated to be.

"Even if Thomas were not my cousin, I'd still want her to grow up happily and healthily.

"I'm making this request on behalf of the child, but if you feel that Riley will be a burden to you and

affect your life ... "

"No!" Yannie bit her lip and interrupted him before he could even finish his sentence. "That's not what I

meant at all! Riley ... "

Yannie could not stop her tears from falling anymore. "I'd never want to give up on Riley if I had a

choice, but..."

She lifted her head to stare at Joshua with tear-stained eyes. "After I leave Thomas, my mother and I

will have no choice but to return to our former lifestyle, and we can never afford to provide Riley the

same kind of lifestyle Thomas can, so ... "

Joshua paused for a moment.

He had never considered this before.

"Luna and I will help you. The first few years you decide to live on your own, we'll continue providing

you financial support so that Riley gets the health treatment she needs, but after a few years, we hope

to see you becoming more and more independent to a point where you can raise Riley on your own.

I'm sure it won't be difficult for you."

When Luna left him...she had raised three children on her own against all odds.

Joshua could not help feeling sad at the thought of this.

He turned his head away and continued, "Of course, you and Thomas need to discuss this at great

lengths as to who should gain custody of Riley.

"The only reason I decided to talk to you about this is just to give you my opinion. I hope you don't feel

too burdened by the prospect of having to raise Riley on

your own.

"Finally, I hope that you and Thomas will part ways after talking things through instead of leaving him

without any closure. Otherwise, he won't cease to flip the entire world upside down in search of you."

Yannie bit her lip and was silent for a long time before finally nodding. "I will."

Chapter 2765

Inside the room, Thomas could not help frowning as the stench of antiseptic struck him.

He strode over to Senior Howard's bed, sat down in the chair, and swept his cold glance across his

father's pale face. "I can't believe you're still alive."

Senior Howard never thought this would be the first thing his son said to him after accidentally shooting

him. He immediately flew into a rage. "You good-for nothing son! You wanted to kill me after all, didn't

you?!"

Thomas scoffed. "I never wanted to kill you, but your wife and son wanted me dead."

Thankfully, Tina's plan had not worked, and he did not end up sleeping with Denise at all. Otherwise,

Yannie would surely be upset and refuse to be with him any longer.

If that happened, not only would Riley lose a mother, but he would lose the only woman he ever

loved...

To him, this was even worse than death.

Senior Howard was so furious to hear this that he broke into fits of cough. "You bastard!"

Thomas rolled his eyes as he watched his father's face turn red from his coughing fit. Finally, he

reached out to pat Senior Howard's back reluctantly. "Why are you so upset when it's not even the first

time we disagreed on something?"

Senior Howard shot him a cold look out of the corner of his life but did not reply.

Finally, after he stopped coughing, Thomas drew his hand back and said, "When Joshua called me, he

told me that you're fine and didn't suffer much injuries, so why are you coughing so hard now? Did the

doctors make a mistake?"

Senior Howard rolled his eyes at him. "I wouldn't be coughing like this if you hadn't come to annoy me!"

With that, he closed his eyes and let out a sigh. "Your cousin and I had a long talk just now.

"He told me that the reason you had given all the evidence of your aunt's death and your uncle's

involvement in this to him was that...you wanted him to help you take back your inheritance."

He opened his eyes to stare at Thomas. "If that was truly what you wanted, you

don't have to do anything more.

"I'll hand Howard Group over to you right this instant."

Thomas' entire body froze when he heard this. He met his father's gaze with disbelief. "You..."

How could this be?

Senior Howard and Tina were the ones who had killed his mother, and everything Senior Howard had

done was to take what rightfully belonged to Eanne as his. How could such a selfish and greedy man

voluntarily hand over his inheritance?

Even if it were because Senior Howard was too old to continue running the business, he would still

rather hand it over to Dan instead of Thomas.

This was why Thomas had sought out Joshua's help to take back his inheritance and avenge his

mother's death.

All of a sudden, Senior Howard claimed that he would hand over the company willingly.

"Are you surprised?" Senior Howard let out a bitter chuckle and lifted his head to stare wistfully at the

wall as though his thoughts had drifted somewhere far, far away. "If this had happened a few days ago,

I would've been just as surprised as you are, but now...I truly want to hand over Howard Group to you."

Senior Howard closed his eyes and said, "I know that I owe your mother too much and if I had known

earlier ... "

He let out a sigh and opened his eyes to stare at Thomas. "If you had told me earlier that all you

wanted was the family inheritance, I would've obliged."

Thomas furrowed his brow and suddenly felt as though there was a lump in his throat.

Finally, he let out an exhale and asked in a hoarse voice, "Did...something happen to you? What did

Joshua say to you?"

Chapter 2766

Senior Howard turned to the side to look at Thomas. He paused, but it was evident he had something

to say.

After a while, he sighed heavily. "You'll...find out what Joshua has said to me sooner or later. Actually, if

you want to inherit the family's property, you don't have to find Joshua since it's our family business...

But, it's good that you get him here. At least, you let me understand something..."

He extended his hand and gently placed it on his injured abdomen.

"I'm still physically frail now. Once I feel better, we can proceed with the transfer procedure. You're

right. Half of the Howard Group's wealth was earned by your mother with her sweat and blood. It

shouldn't be given to outsiders."

Thomas furrowed his brow. "What's gotten into you?"

This was unlike his father's typical behavior. Every time his father saw him, his father would be

infuriated and scold him for not being accomplished, wanting him to leave his sight as soon as

possible. It was unlike him to admit that he was wrong and was sorry to his mother. What kind of curse

had Joshua cast upon his father?

"Joshua Lynch..." Senior Howard sighed. "He can see further and more than me. Maybe I'm really

getting old."

After complimenting Joshua, he looked at Thomas. "You'll need to learn more from Joshua, but you

have to keep your promise.

"After I pass everything to you, you need to give him the evidence of how your aunt passed away. He's

here because of his family too. He's a pitiful man... If I'm not around in the future, I'll be less worried

knowing he's around to take care of you."

Thomas furrowed his brow vehemently as he impatiently listened to what his father said. He was so

clueless. "Since you refused to tell me what Joshua said to you, I'll ask him later."

He then glanced at his father coldly. "Are you lying to me when you say you are giving me Howard

Group?"

"Of course not." Senior Howard smiled. "You are my son; why can't I give it to you? Of course..."

He paused. "You must remember to be filial to me and not dump me after I give it to you. Also, you'll

have to bring Riley to see me."

Thomas cocked up his head and wanted to reject this, but he saw his father's gray hair at the

sideburns.

He could not bring himself to say those gruesome words. It had been years since he talked to his father

so privately like this.

If he did not accidentally shoot his father, it was impossible for him to come to see his father and be so

close to him. Now that he looked at his father, he noticed that the old geezer...was really getting old.

He paused and stared at Senior Howard. "You want me to take Riley to come to see you? Why don't

you wait for Dan to get married and have kids to see your grandchild?"

All these years, Senior Howard had been preferring Tina and Dan. He had never put in thoughts on

Thomas. Why was Senior Howard trying to be a good father to him and requesting him to bring Riley to

see him all of a sudden? Was he worthy of being Riley's grandfather?

As Thomas brought up Dan's name, Senior Howard's face changed instantly.

After much consideration, he sighed. "Once I pass everything to you...I'll let Tina and Dan leave the

house."

Thomas furrowed his brow vehemently.

'Has this old geezer really changed? What magic did Joshua use?' he thought.

Chapter 2767 When Thomas left the ward, Joshua was nowhere to be seen. Yannie was the only one

sitting quietly on the chair playing with her phone. He furrowed his brow. "Where's Joshua?" Yannie

pursed her lips and said, "He said he has something to do, so he left." She then put away her phone

and stood up, staring at Thomas. "How did the talk with your father go?" "It was alright." Thomas

sighed. "I'll send you back first." At this time, he could not tell what Senior Howard was up to with the

abrupt change in his mood and thoughts. Had the old geezer truly decided to pass the family to him

and kick Tina and her son out of their residence...or was the old geezer just trying to comfort him while

planning something else? He could not tell.

He could only take one step at a time.

Yannie did not say anything else, looking at Thomas zoning out in his thoughts. She turned around and

walked with him toward the elevator "Stop right there!" came the shrill, demanding voice of a woman.

Yannie and Thomas stopped walking and looked in the direction of the voice. At the far-away end of

the hallway, Tina was walking toward them fiercely.

"Thomas Howard! Go and apologize to Dan!" Thomas twisted and dislocated Dan's hands, though it

was not serious as the doctor had made necessary treatments to undo the damage. Still, Thomas

could not just be forgiven easily for that!

Tina wanted Thomas to pay the price. At the very least, she wanted Thomas to apologize to Dan.

Otherwise, it would be a waste after how long Dan cried!

"Apologize?" Thomas laughed mockingly. "You want me to apologize to Dan? Did a donkey kick your

brain?"

What he had done was twisted and dislocated Dan's hands. Tina and Dan had taken every chance to bully him over the years. Even his mother's death was related to Tina. What audacity did this woman have to request him to apologize to Dan? Did she apologize for playing a part in contributing to his mother's death? "Thomas Howard!" Tina gritted her teeth loudly and gave Thomas a death look." What's wrong with Dan hitting you because you hurt your father? More importantly, he accidentally struck that woman instead of you. Do you have to be so mad and dislocate his hands? "I'm only requesting you apologize to him and not have someone dislocate your hands or cause trouble for you and this woman, yet you're still unwilling to apologize to him? You've crossed the line!" She then kicked open the door of Senior Howard's ward. She stared at Thomas and said, "Don't leave if you dare. Let's go talk some sense in front of your father and let him judge!" Yannie frowned at those words. Everyone knew all Senior Howard cared about were Tina and her son Dan. If she wanted to let Senior Howard be the judge of this cast, Thomas would always be in the wrong regardless of the situation!

She furrowed her brow. "Why should we go and let Senior Howard judge? The surveillance camera is

the best witness. If you look back at the surveillance, you can clearly see how your son was the one

who started the fight, and I was the one who stood in front of Thomas so he was not hurt.

"Your son was the one who was wrong. You want Thomas to apologize? Fat chance!" She walked and

stood in front of Thomas as though shielding him. In the past, she never thought about protecting

Thomas. She had always thought Thomas was a man, strong enough to face everything.

However...she just wanted to do something for him before she decided to leave once and for all. Even if

it was just some meaningless protection, she was willing to do it.

"Oh, my!" Tina sneered. "Well, well, Thomas Howard. You need a woman to shield you now?"

Chapter 2768

"Go figure. The men in the Howard family are all the same; you're all dependent on women!"

Tina smirked as she stared at Thomas coldly. Her words were potent with mockery as she continued,

"Howard Group is at its glory now because your father had gotten help from your mother. I thought it

was different for you when you found yourself a village girl, but it's still the same. You need this woman

to come to protect you now? How amusing!"

Her words were downright insulting.

Thomas furrowed his brow. As he was about to retort, Yannie interjected, with her arms wide open in

defending Thomas, "Hey, are you listening to yourself? You insulting Thomas like that also means

you're insulting your husband and your son. Aren't your husband and son from the same family as

Thomas? Are you saying your son, Dan Howard, is also a man who relies on women too?"

Yannie's face and tone were cold when she said that.

Tina never expected such sharp remarks from Yannie. She was stunned and did not know how to

counter

"Come in here, all of you," rang the frail yet firm voice of an elder interrupting the fight between Tina

and Yannie.

man,

"Your father heard everything!" Tina snorted as she gave Thomas a deadly stare. "Go in there if you

have the nerve and let your father be the judge!"

She knew Senior Howard adored her for most of his life and had been on her side too. Thomas was

just some rebellious son who got kicked out of the house and had never spoken to his father for several

years.

If Senior Howard was the judge, she was the clear winner. Knowing this, she would want Senior

Howard to force Thomas to apologize to her son.

She thus turned and entered the ward haughtily.

Thomas narrowed his eyes when he saw how prideful Tina was and followed her into the ward.

In fact, he was curious. Senior Howard had just promised he would give Thomas everything and kicked

Dan and Tina out of the house, so he wanted to know whose side the old geezer would be on as he

had a fight with Tina.

Yannie furrowed her brow when she saw Thomas was about to enter the ward. She pulled Thomas'

sleeve and said with worry, "Thomas, why don't we just

leave?"

She knew Senior Howard would not be on Thomas' side. If Senior Howard and Tina used something to

threaten Thomas, Thomas would have no choice but to apologize to Dan!

"It's alright." Thomas curled up his lips and smiled lightly. He grabbed Yannie's hand in return. "Let's go in."

With Yannie's hand in his, he walked into the ward together with Yannie.

"There, there. You actually dare to come in here." Tina snorted when she saw them walking into the

ward. She looked back and changed her expression immediately like she was acting. Instead of the

fierce look she had before, she tried to make herself look pitiful. "Honey, you need to help me and Dan.

Dan was angry at Thomas for hurting you and couldn't help but slap Thomas just now, but he struck the

wrong person. This woman here, Yannie, rushed out of nowhere and took the slap for Thomas! Maybe

Thomas was trying to act manly in front of this woman because, as Dan's brother, mercilessly twisted

and dislocated Dan's hands!

"You know Dan has always been my precious son. I took care of him and doted on him since he was

born. When has he ever suffered such pain before? He was next door and cried terribly because of the

pain. I only wanted Thomas to apologize to Dan, but he's so stubborn. He even said Dan deserved it...

You have to help me and Dan!"

While she was talking, she used the corner of her eyes to peek at Thomas and

Yannie pleasingly as though sure things would go her way. Yannie bit her lip and grabbed Thomas'

hand quietly. "But-" "Don't say anything for now," interjected Thomas softly before Yannie could finish.

He cocked up his head and looked at Senior Howard coldly. "Tell me what's your take on this," Thomas

said.

Chapter 2769 Senior Howard furrowed his brow and looked at Thomas and Tina. Lastly, he closed his eyes and said with a plain tone, "Why did Dan hit Thomas?" The question caught Tina off–guard; she never thought Senior Howard would ask that question. After a while, she pursed her lips and said, "Didn't I just say it? He was angry because Thomas shot you." She then added, "Don't you know how much Dan cares about you? Not like someone else here. Dan would've fought the person who hurt you with his life if the transgressor wasn't his brother." Senior Howard sneered, "Is that so? You say Dan cares about me. How does he do that? Using my cars to gamble and losing them to someone else? Or spending my money behind my back?

Tina's eyes blew wide open in shock. She looked at him with a stupefied look." You..."

After a while, she bit her lip and lowered her voice. "There are outsiders here. Why are you talking about these? I'm telling you that Thomas twisted and dislocated Dan's hands. We can talk about everything else later." "Outsiders?" As soon as Tina finished talking, Thomas curled up his lips into a smile. "Aunt Tina, who are you calling outsiders? Is it me or my fiancee? How come I didn't understand what you just said?" He placed his arm on Yannie's shoulder and looked at Senior Howard challengingly. "Tell me who is the outsider?" Tina's face flushed pale. "I'm referring to..." "There's no outsider here." Senior Howard did not even bother looking at Tina as he coldly declared, "Since Yannie is Riley's mother, then she's my daughter–in law. She's not an outsider."

After that, he looked at Tina coldly, "You said Dan wanted to hit Thomas because he was angry

Thomas hurt me. With that same logic, Thomas dislocating his hands for hitting Yannie is justified."

Tina was baffled by the sudden turn of events.

She bit her lip. "How is it that he deserves it? He did it because of you..."

"Did he do it because of me, or was it just to find a reason to hit Thomas because I

was injured? You know it yourself!" Senior Howard snorted and closed his eyes. I'm tired. This ends

here."

He waved his hand. "You may all leave."

Thomas' eyes narrowed at this. Before this, he was dubious of Senior Howard's motives when he told

him he was passing everything in the family to him. He thought the old geezer was putting up a show

for him to see.

Currently, he was not certain anymore as he stared at Tina's pale face. 'The old geezer...isn't acting?'

he thought.

"What's wrong with you?" Tina was infuriated to see Senior Howard not giving a fuck about her woes.

"How is this ending just like this? Dan and I are both worried and care about you, putting you first in this

situation. That's why he wanted to hit Thomas! If you just let it go like this, do you know how upset Dan

will be?"

"Aunt Tina." Thomas smiled as he hugged Yannie. "If you are truly worried, caring for my father and

putting him first, how can you come here to make a fuss about this mess when he just woke up and is

still not at his best? Do you truly care about his body or about you and your son's dignity more?"

Chapter 2770 Tina had a terrible look on her face after what Thomas said, and her eyebrows were

pressed in a firm line.

"What are you talking about? He's my husband, and Dan's my son. In my heart, my husband and my

son are equally important!"

After that, she glanced from the corner of her eyes at the man on the bed while trying to grovel,

"Furthermore, Dan's your father's son. If you treat Dan badly, that means you don't care about your

father!"

"Scram!" Senior Howard shut his eyes, not giving Tina the responses she wanted. He stretched his

hand out to massage his glabella. "The doctor said I need to rest. If all of you care for me, stop

disturbing me."

All of a sudden, he remembered something and said, "Get Mr. Zink here."

Mr. Zink was Senior Howard's personal lawyer.

Tina, baffled at how he was summoning his lawyer, furrowed her brow and looked at him. "Why do you

want Mr. Zink here?" Senior Howard rolled his eyes at Tina. "To get him to sue Thomas for causing

intentional injury. Are you happy?" Suddenly, Tina felt spirited. "Really?" She gloated while peeking at

Thomas. She said coldly, "That's right. Since he doesn't care about his father and brother, there's no

need to care about his feelings anymore. Sue him for intentional injury; that's the best for everyone. I

hope when we are in the court in the future, Mr. Howard here doesn't try to use the excuse of being a

family to plead for mercy!" With that, she snorted and left the ward as if she was on the runway. As she

left, she took out her phone to make a call. "Mr. Zink ... "

Yannie was scared to death as she heard the conversation between Tina and Senior Howard. She was

afraid Senior Howard would really sue Thomas.

She quickly let go of Thomas' arm and approached Senior Howard. "Uncle, I know there is a

misunderstanding between you and Thomas, but..." "What are you trying to tell him?" Thomas rolled his

eyes when Yannie tried to please Senior Howard. He extended his hand to grab Yannie's collar from

the back and pulled her back into his arms. "Just sue me if that's what you want. Do you think I'm

scared of you?"

He grabbed Yannie's clothes and forced her to leave the ward with him.

"Why did you stop me from talking with your father?"

She got pulled into the elevator. She looked at the closed elevator door and looked back at the man

behind her angrily. "I know you're not scared, but it's better to have one less issue to deal with. We

haven't helped Luna solve Gwen's problem yet, and you've yet to accomplish your mission. You

shouldn't waste your time fighting with your father.

"Also, I think your father still cares about you. Maybe after talking to him, he won't sue you for this.

Even if you quit the entertainment industry now, who knows if you'll return one day? It's not good to let

other people find out that your own father sues you to court!"

Thomas curled up his lips when he saw how Yannie panicked. After a while, he smiled even when

Yannie was still panicking.

"What are you laughing at?" Yannie was still angry. It infuriated her further to look at his look. "Can you

not underestimate everything? You're always like this, not giving a damn about anything, yet you're so

sensitive and weak... You can't always be like this!" The way Yannie pouted her lips looked awfully

adorable.

Thomas curled up his lips and extended his hand out to pinch Yannie's cute cheek. "It's alright. I have

you, don't I? Everything I simplified, you'll treat them seriously. With you around, I don't have to

change."

This irked Yannie. "Yes, I'm with you now, but what if I leave you in the future?" Thomas smiled. He

reached out his hand and pulled Yannie into his arms. With a soft, deep voice, he asked, "So, are you

going to leave me?"