

## Chapter 248 Adrien Lied To Her

It took Celia by surprise. In a recent conversation, Adrien informed her that the Kane Group was experiencing a difficult financial situation. He had no way of redeeming the ring. It even took him quite a while to raise the \$50, 000 he lent her.

How could Cerissa and Mabel go shopping at the Global Mall if he was so financially strapped?

Celia noticed upon closer inspection that the shopping bags held by the mother and daughter were all from luxury labels.

Celia's mom had gone shopping with her for these labels when she was younger, and the prices weren't much different from what they were paying today.

She came to terms with the fact that Adrien was likely lying to her. Everything he mentioned regarding a financial crisis and a shortage of funds at the Kane Group was completely false. He squandered the ring on Cerissa and Mabel! That belonged to her mom! What a reprehensible thing for Adrien to do!

Celia's anger grew. She felt terrible for her mom after realizing that Adrien had sold her thing so that Mabel and Cerissa could waste money here at the posh mall. What he had done disgusted her to no end.

Almost instantly, Tyson picked up on her emotions. Following her gaze, he caught a glimpse of Cerissa and Mabel.

He'd already met Cerissa in Davina. Not too recently, he'd requested that someone look into Cerissa. He knew she was Celia's half-sister.

He didn't get to see Mabel's face, but he inferred that she was Celia's stepmother Mabel, based on how close she was to Cerissa.

He had already instructed Briar to discreetly eliminate the Kane Group via stock manipulation. The stock price of the Kane Group, at this time, ought to be continuing its upward trend.

The Kanes likely wouldn't understand the gravity of the situation. He could only imagine that when he saw the mother and daughter shopping joyfully together.

He had already ordered Briar to purchase the shares of the Kane Group from several individual investors, and the value of his holdings continued to rise. Now, he could get ready to buy the Kane Group and avenge Celia.

Celia grabbed Tyson by the arm and said, "Tyson, let's shop someplace else." as he was mulling over the plan.

Seeing the mother and daughter was something she truly wanted to avoid. She could potentially reveal her true identity if she got into an argument with them now.

In any case, she was seeing Tyson's grandpa today and hadn't got back the sapphire ring. For the time being, she was forced to put up with both the mother and daughter.

Tyson didn't make a single move as Celia prepared to leave. When she looked up, she saw him shake his head. "I like this store a lot. Let me help you choose a dress."

After he finished speaking, he bent and hugged Celia, hoping the warmth of his embrace would help ease her nerves.

"Listen to me, Cece, please."

Slowly, leaning against him, Celia began to relax. She had no choice but to agree with her soft-spoken Tyson.

She would, at the very least, make an effort to avoid a brawl with the mother and daughter.

Not to mention, they wouldn't draw attention to themselves around Tyson. As a matter of fact, if they did come clean about the substitute marriage, it would only hurt them.

"Okay." In Tyson's embrace, she nodded.

After Tyson released her, Cerissa and Mabel walked inside the store.

The shop assistant welcomed them cheerfully and escorted them around the store.

"You have arrived at the right place. Our store has just started selling this season's newest arrivals, and they're all limited-edition collectibles from all around the world."

Tyson and Celia received zero attention from the shop assistants. They ignored it and continued shopping for clothing.

Cerissa was delighted by the shop assistant's flattery. There was a haughty lift of her chin as she surveyed the racks of clothing. When she spotted Celia, she let out a loud yell, "What on earth are you doing here?"

