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Clive felt terrible seeing his wife in pain and had gone as far as to suggest an abortion to alleviate her pain.

Jasmine had heard of husbands who doted on their wives, but this was the first time she had ever heard of a husband who suggested something as drastic as abortion as a solution.

Elisa said, "Of course she's not going to get an abortion! She thinks it's a ridiculous suggestion, understandably so, but that doesn't stop my brother from trying to persuade her to get an abortion. He keeps harping about ever since she got pregnant, she hardly had any appetite at all, and would regularly throw up anything she ate, even vomiting bile at one point.

"She's lost a lot of weight and it's causing my brother a lot of stress. Right now, my parents are at home every day to help keep an eye on her because they're worried that one of these days, my brother is going to force her to go to a hospital for an abortion."

That explained why Mrs. Stone had not been seen lately.

Jasmine expressed her concerns, "Why aren't you guys taking her to the hospital if she's been throwing up so much?"

"We did, the doctor prescribed some medicine but it doesn't seem to be effective. She's currently pretty much strapped to the bed all day to conserve energy. They said she had a low progesterone count. So there you have it, being a mother sure isn't easy."

She admired all the mothers around the world.

Jasmine noted, "Anyway, Seren usually just goes to some nearby supermarket to get her groceries and should be back soon. When she comes back, you can ask her to let you take Sonny back home. He's a wonderful and smart boy. I'm sure your brother will change his mind once he sees the boy."

"Well, I sure hope so too. I already asked for Liberty's permission as well. The moment I told her what my brother had been planning to do, she was furious and began scolding my brother. She mentioned that she was going to pay a visit after she finished up with work."

Everyone was overjoyed when they found out that Alice was with child.

The Hunt sisters were very thoughtful and gave her many supplements to help with the

pregnancy. The Yorks did the same and did not cheap out on gifts.

Nobody foresaw that Alice would go through such a difficult pregnancy.

"They say that pregnant women like to eat sour food. Why don't you buy something sour for her and see if it helps with her vomiting?"

Elisa shook her head. "That's not going to help her. It doesn't matter what she eats, she's still going to throw them up regardless. Usually, she starts vomiting shortly after she eats.

"She does have the appetite for food, only she ends up throwing up anyway."

After witnessing her sister–in–law's harrowing pregnancy, Elisa, an unmarried woman, found herself traumatized by it.

Why did men not have to bear the pains of pregnancy?

Jasmine had run out of advice to give as she was very much out of her depth since she had never been married, much less had a child before.

What were they supposed to do if even the medicine prescribed by the doctor was useless?

Elisa waited for a while and soon, Serenity returned with Sonny.

After being told the reason for Elisa's visit today, Serenity grew frantic and quickly called Zachary and gave him the bad news that she was not going to deliver lunch for him today. She told him to grab lunch at Wiltspoon Hotel instead.

She needed to pay a visit to Elisa's home.

Zachary expressed somberly, "Alright, but don't forget about me tonight."

Serenity chuckled and assured her, "Don't you worry, we have the rest of our lives to spend together."

This made Zachary feel better.

After they ended the call, Zachary gave Clive a stern talking to. If not for Clive's dramatic reaction, Serenity would not have had to change her plans and pay an emergency visit to the Stones.

Serenity took Sonny with her and when she was told that her sister was planning to join them, she picked Liberty up on the way. With that, the crew followed Elisa to the Stones' villa.

They passed by Remy's villa which was still under renovation and noticed Remy's car parked outside. Elisa casually mentioned to Serenity, "Remy comes by pretty often to check on the renovation progress."

If it was her, she would have assigned such menial tasks to someone else instead of having to waste her time coming here every day.

Serenity remarked thoughtfully, "Remy attaches a lot of importance to this house, so it makes sense that he wants to keep an eye on the progress in person. Renovation is a very delicate process that takes a lot of time, so it's better for him to supervise in person. That way, he can immediately make arrangements when things go wrong to save time and money in the long run."

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Back when Liberty and Hank got married and their place was getting renovated, Hank had no time to monitor the progress. Liberty was the one who paid for everything but had no time to oversee the progress either since she was busy with work, so the task was left to Serenity who had time to help keep an eye on things.

She experienced firsthand what it was like renovating a new place and could naturally relate to how Remy felt. Still, she had a sense that the true reason Remy came so often was that he wanted to see Elisa.

Elisa was a rather sharp—witted person as well but this was an occasion where her perceptions failed her—she did not realize Remy had his eyes on her at all.

Perhaps she stopped caring so much about these things since she failed to win over Zachary.

Elisa drove to the main entrance of the villa and remarked, "Good point, he mentioned something about buying this villa for his sweetheart and went on about how they would spend their married life here.

"I don't know who this sweetheart of his is supposed to be, but based on how attentive he has been regarding the renovation, I'd say he cares a lot about this person."

Elisa suddenly grew envious.

Everyone she knew had found partners.

She was the only one who was all alone.

Where was her Prince Charming? The man who would love her unconditionally? Where in the world was he and when were they fated to meet?

"Since Remy is your neighbor now, don't you visit him now and then? Did you manage to probe some information and find out who his sweetheart is?"

Serenity tried to dig information out of Elisa.

Meanwhile, the housemaids came out and opened the gate leading into the villa. The car drove past the entrance and Elisa mentioned candidly, "He hasn't said anything. Seren, why don't you ask your man and see if he knows something?"

"He's not privy to other people's affairs and unless Remy himself hands him an invitation to his wedding, I doubt they're ever going to talk about this sweetheart of his."

Elisa smiled, that did sound like Zachary.

Josh was the one who loved gossiping.

He was always privy to the latest happenings; he had a talent for it.

"Ms. Elisa, Mr. Clive had just got home and immediately began persuading the missus to go to the hospital to get an abortion. Mr. and Mrs. Stone are furious and their patience is running out."

The housemaid promptly relayed the situation to Elisa after she stepped out of the car with the others.

When the maid noticed that the Hunt sisters were here as well, she made sure to greet them politely.

"My brother is unbelievable..."

Elisa quickly took Sonny into the house with Liberty and Serenity trailing behind her. Each of them was carrying bags of nutritional products they brought as gifts.

Meanwhile, Remy had someone inform him of what was happening inside the house.

When he was told that Elisa had returned home, he promptly instructed his bodyguards to keep an eye on the renovation while he carried some food and went to press the doorbell at the neighboring house.

The previous housemaid was just about to return to the house when she heard the doorbell ring again. She swiftly turned around and went to the entrance, immediately recognizing Remy standing outside. She opened the door for him and made a guess, "Mr. Johnson, are you here for the lady?"

"That's right, I brought some snacks that she might like. She's home, isn't she?" he said as he motioned to the bag of food he was carrying.

"She just got home. Please, come in, Mr. Johnson. However, would you mind waiting a while. before going in to see her? There's a little bit of a, let's say, situation going on right now."

Mr. Clive was insisting on taking the missus to the hospital to get an abortion. Remy was very understanding, "It's okay, I can wait."

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"Mr. Johnson, why don't you wait at the gazebo for now."

The servant led Remy to the gazebo and apologized profusely for the inconvenience caused.

Remy was a very understanding man, "It's okay, why don't you get back to your work."

He sat down at a stone–carved table under the gazebo and placed the snacks he brought for Elisa on the table.

He did not inquire what was going on inside the house.

Ever since he bought the villa next to the Stones, it gave him an excuse to regularly come over and pay a visit to the Stones. At this point, most of the housemaids in the family recognized and treated him very politely. They would respectfully invite him into the house every time he came around.

This time was the sole outlier where they did not invite him into the house immediately. He figured some sort of emergency must have happened and decided to not be too probing, especially since he was an outsider.

If they would not tell him, he would not ask either.

After all, he was nothing more than a neighbor.

"Mr. Johnson, let me get you a glass of water."

Although they were not letting him into the house yet, they still made sure to make him feel welcome.

Remy thanked the maid with a bright smile.

The servant stepped out of the gazebo and quickly marched into the house.

Inside the house, Clive's parents were huddled together on the couch. Mr. Stone was doing what he could to comfort his wife's restlessness. "Clive is only doing this out of love for Alice, please don't hold it against him. The boy is not in a rational state of mind right now."

Serenity poured a glass of water for Mrs. Stone.

Liberty and Elisa made Alice sit with them on the couch and remained on guard so Clive could not take her away.

Clive was ruffling his hair irritably.

Did he not want the child?

Of course he did. He wanted nothing more than to have a child with Alice, but her difficult pregnancy and her severe condition were driving him insane. She would throw up everything she ate and had lost pienty of weight since the start of the pregnancy. It was a very stressful experience for him as well.

The way he saw it, his wife's well-being held priority over the unborn child.

Sonny approached Clive and stared curiously at his uncle. Something flickered in the little man's eves like stars in the night sky.

"Uncle!" Sonny greeted Clive warmly.

Clive looked at Sonny.

Sonny was a very healthy boy. His skin glowed with a bright red tint underneath and despite his young age, it already seemed like he would grow into a handsome boy. He was adorable and looked like a human-sized doll that stepped out of the storybooks.

Whenever people met him, they were filled with an urge to hug him tightly and shower him with affection.

Clive was not immune to Sonny's charms either.

He carried Sonny in his arms.

"Uncle, are you feeling sad? Is everything ok?"

Sonny was very sensitive and felt Clive's restless mood boiling inside him. He wrapped his arms. around Clive's neck and planted a gentle smooch on his cheeks to comfort

him and said innocently, "Mom kisses me whenever I'm feeling sad. It makes me feel better.

"Do you feel better now?"

Clive was completely enamored by Sonny's innocent display of affection and smiled. He rubbed his cheek against Sonny's and said lovingly, "Uncle feels better for now."

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How nice it would be if childbirth was simple and effortless. He would like for him and Alice to raise their child without Alice having to go through such a harrowing experience.

If a man could get pregnant, he would be more than willing to bear the pain of pregnancy rather than let Alice suffer.

A housemaid went up to Elisa and whispered something in her ear.

Elisa told the servant something in a hushed voice and sent the maid away. After that, she turned to Alice and told her, "Alice, please don't hold it against my brother. He's a little out of it right now, you can see how even my mom is telling him off."

Alice could not deny that she was rather upset.

She has been married to Clive for years now and the only reason they had pushed off having a child was that Clive was very possessive and wanted her all to himself. To appease him, she had been on the pill the entire time to avoid a pregnancy.

It was to the point where rumors were beginning to surface that she was infertile.

At last, the couple had finally agreed that it was time for a baby.

She was pregnant in no time and was more than ecstatic about the prospect of having a child. Although it was still relatively early, just the fact that there was now a life growing inside her womb, a child who she and Clive could call their own, had brought her great pride. The child was to be the heir to their bloodline.

Her intrinsic maternal love has never felt stronger than the present moment; she regarded the child inside her as more important than her very life.

How could she be expected to abort the child?

Clive had been needlessly harping about taking her to the hospital for an abortion, insisting that they should give up on ever having children and it should just be the two of them forever.

He justified it by saying that he had two brothers and they could bear the responsibility of preserving the bloodline.

Alice was livid.

She initially thought Clive was just rambling, but it turned out that he was serious.

She eventually told Mr. and Mrs. Stone about this, and they were understandably furious to hear of this.

She had not told her parents about this just yet, knowing that they would probably be so enraged that they would barge through the front door to give Clive a beating, "Elisa, your brother went as far as to schedule an appointment with the doctor. How do you expect me to not be upset?"

She vented her frustration to her sister-in-law.

Clive clutched Sonny tightly in his arms a short distance away and said in a hurt voice, "But I can't stand to see you suffer, so it's better to call it quits. If you truly like children that much, we can take in Sonny and he can spend time with you every day."

"Serenity, are you listening to all this nonsense this man is spouting?"

Mrs. Stone was completely baffled by such a proposition, she grabbed Serenity's hand and turned to Clive, "Sonny is Liberty's son, how dare you have the nerve to take the boy away from her?"

Serenity hurriedly diffused the situation, "Aunt Audrey, don't overexert yourself. Let's just calmly talk to Clive about this. It's not that he doesn't want the child, he's just very worried about Alice."

She turned to Clive and continued, "Sonny is going to start attending preschool starting September so he won't be able to spend time with you guys every day. Think about this, Sonny looks very cute, doesn't he? One day, you and Alice can have a child as cute as him as well.

"A child is a symbol of love and commitment between a married couple, so how could you say no to that?"

Clive scowled.

"But Alice hasn't stopped throwing up. Just look at how much weight she's lost! It hurts me to see this, so if it's going to take so much just to have a child, then I would rather not have a child at all." Mrs. Stone was filled with violent rage and immediately began casting her eyes around the room to find something to fling at Clive. She rose sharply and marched to Clive to snatch Sonny from him, then he jabbed a kick at him while shouting, "Pregnancy is hard? Do you think being a mother is any easier?" "If you don't want to have a baby, you shouldn't have gotten Alice pregnant in the first place. Now that she's pregnant, you have to see it through with her. You can't just suggest an abortion like it doesn't mean anything. You're killing your child! That's murder! "You keep talking about how difficult pregnancy is, but do you know how harmful abortion is for a woman? Abortion does more damage to the body than childbirth and she's at the point of her pregnancy where a medical abortion won't do. If she's going to abort the child, she's going to have to take the surgical route, which is more harmful!" Clive was speechless. Liberty chimed in, "She's right, abortion can be very harmful to women. Also, she's been pregnant for three months, hasn't she? Just hang in there a little longer and the violent vomiting should pass. At this point, abortion is just going to make things worse for her. 

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"Liberty, you've done this before. Do you have any advice on how to stop her vomiting?"

Now that he learned the risks of abortion, he relented from putting Alice through it.

Liberty answered, "I can't stop her symptoms, but I suggest if things don't get any better, you can go to the doctor for more advice. When I was pregnant with Sonny, I didn't vomit that much."

During her pregnancy, she had also heard tales of other mothers experiencing terrible and severe symptoms. She was glad that her pregnancy was a relatively easy and stable one.

In severe cases, some people did not stop vomiting until the child was born.

"We went to a doctor, but it's not helping," Clive said irritably.

"Then she just has to tough it out and things will get better eventually. All I can tell you is that you should stop telling her to get an abortion. That's only going to make her feel stressed which doesn't help. Ideally, you should keep her in a relaxed state through the pregnancy both mentally and physically."

Alice rose and said, "Clive, if you ask me to have an abortion again, I will divorce you. I want the child and I will raise him myself if I have to."

"My love."

Clive quickly approached Alice and took her hand, "My love, you're going to kill me if you're seriously asking for a divorce. Alright, alright, I won't ever bring up abortion again. Let's work through this pregnancy together and once our baby is born, I'll teach the baby a lesson for putting you through so much pain."

"Don't you dare hit our baby! If you do, I'm taking the baby with me and staying with my parents."

"Okay, okay, no hitting. I promise to never hit the baby."

Clive cared about his wife more than anything. Upon knowing the dangers of getting an abortion, he finally gave up on the option altogether. Furthermore, Sonny contributed with his mere presence. Clive was enamored with Sonny and realized just how much he liked children.

"Let's just have one child, no more in the future."

After seeing firsthand how difficult pregnancy was, he decided that one child was all they needed, and no need for a sibling for the child.

After seeing that Clive had let up at last and vowed to not talk about abortion anymore, Alice yielded as well, "Alright, one child is good enough. No more, no less."

She thought that being pregnant was terrible as well.

Everyone heaved a sigh of relief upon seeing that Clive had found an apt middle ground.

Mrs. Stone took Sonny back to the couch and sat down. She glared at Clive and warned, "I will kick your butt if I ever hear you talking about abortion again. Now that you know how difficult being a

mother is, you better learn to have more respect for your mother as well."

"Okay, mom," Clive and Elisa echoed the same response.

The Stones' children had always been nothing but loving and loyal toward their parents.

"Seren, Liberty, why don't you two stay for dinner?" Mrs. Stone proposed after she peeked at the time. She then gently patted Sonny's head, "Sonny, would you like to sleep over for a night so you can play with us?"

Mrs. Stone was completely captivated by Sonny.

Serenity smiled and stated, "Even if you don't invite us to stay for dinner, we're just going to stay here and eat regardless."

"If Mom stays, I will stay too!"

Although Sonny was fond of his aunts, he preferred to be in his mother's company.

The only other person he trusted besides his mother was his Aunt Ser. He could be friendly enough with the others such as Jasmine, Elisa, and Zachary, and did not mind spending time with them. However, past a certain threshold, he would begin crying for mom.

Mrs. Stone turned to Liberty, "Liberty, your diner is closed during the afternoon, right? Why don't you and Sonny hang out here until dinnertime, and we will have the driver send you home after dinner?"

"Sure," Liberty agreed without pause.

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Serenity said, "Aunt Audrey, Liberty wants to go to the car dealership to buy a car, and I have to go back to the bookshop later. Are you and Elisa free to accompany Liberty to look at cars? I don't think it is safe to roam the streets every day riding her e—bike with Sonny. That's why I suggested she buy a car. Zachary said he would give her one, but she didn't want it."

"I am capable of buying a car myself. I don't need Zachary to give me one. I know Zachary is my brother–in–law, but I can't take his things just like that and be a freeloader. I don't want people to say that our family wants to take advantage of your in–laws."

They were poor, unlike the rich Yorks. However, Liberty does not intend to be a burden to her sister.

She did not want any benefits from the Yorks.

Touched, Serenity said, "Liberty, Zachary wouldn't think badly of it, and neither would my in–laws."

Serenity knew her sister would always be considerate toward her.

"I know Zachary and the in–laws won't think that way, but I still don't want those people out there to say that about you. There was a time when Granddad and the others often troubled Zachary by asking him for money, which affected your reputation to some extent.

"It was fortunate that everyone knew the conflict between us and our old folks. Most of them sympathize with you. However, as your sister, I can't do things that drag you down. Besides, I'm also capable of earning money, and I can buy whatever I want with my own money. That way, I can spend the money with peace of mind and joy."

Better to rely on oneself, than to rely on others.

Elisa said, "Seren, you go on with your work. We'll go with Liberty for the car survey."

"I'll leave it to you.

Elisa glared at Serenity and said, "Say that once more, and I'm going to be mad at you."

Serenity giggled.

A maid entered abruptly and said, "Sir, Madam. Mr. York is here."

All eyes were on Serenity.

Red-faced, Serenity mumbled, "What brought him here?"

Elisa teasingly replied, "He's here because he misses you, duh. Our house is like a lion's den to him. It's only because you are here that he dares set foot in our house."

After giving Elisa a light punch, Serenity stood up and said, "I'll show him in."

"I'll go too.".

"Elisa," Mrs. Stone called out to her daughter, clearly disapproving of her accompanying Serenity to greet Zachary.

Elisa explained, "Remy is here. He is sitting out there at the gazebo as we speak. I'll go bring him in."

Earlier, when the housemaid told Elisa about Remy's arrival, she ordered the maid to brew some tea and serve it to him along with some fruits and refreshments.

Now that the situation between Clive and Alice had been settled, she was reminded that Remy was still outside. It would be rude to keep him waiting.

"Mom, have someone prepare cutlery and plates for two."

Elisa locked Serenity's arm in hers and walked out.

Mrs. Stone exchanged glances with her husband.

Whenever their daughter was at home, that new neighbor of theirs would find an excuse to drop by. Sometimes, he would even stay for meals.

Elisa and Remy got along harmoniously. So long as Remy dropped by, she would almost always. spare some food.

In the past, Remy would politely decline the offer. However, he has become more daring over time. All it took was for Elisa to ask, and he would blissfully stay for a free meal.

It was obvious to both Mr. and Mrs. Stone how the two felt about each other. They were once young and in love too.

Remy would either bring some of Elisa's favorite snacks or some inexpensive nicknacks every time he visited. His actions were able to please Elisa time after time.

Perhaps he had fallen for Elisa.

Furthermore, Remy was the fifth young master of the Johnsons. He was on par with Zachary in every aspect, and thus an excellent match for Elisa. However, Mrs. Stone took into consideration. that the Johnsons live in Annenburg, which was quite far away. As Elisa was her only daughter, she was reluctant to marry her daughter off to a distant place.

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All members of the Stone family including Mrs Stone hoped that flisa would go for a young and talented man from Wiltspoon. By getting married in her city, it would be convenient for them to meet each other frequently.

They would know right away if Elisa got treated poorly at her in laws' house. If she married far away, no one would know how their daughter was doing.

Although the Johnsons were extremely cultured, both Mr. and Mrs. Stone were still reluctant to marry Elisa far away.

Since Remy had not confessed his love to Elisa, it would be hard for them to discuss this topic with Remy.

Zachary saw Remy sitting under the gazebo as he got out of his car.

Remy stood up and greeted him with a smile.

"Why are you sitting here alone, Mr. Johnson? Not going inside?"

Zachary walked over naturally upon seeing a familiar face who was also a major client of his company.

"Seems like I came at an awkward time," Remy replied with a smile.

Zachary figured out what he meant right away.

"Are you here for a family visit, Mr. York? Or are you here to pick up your wife?"

Zachary murmured, "Both."

"Wow! The power of love is strong indeed," Remy joked with Zachary.

"Neither friends nor rivals are everlasting in this world."

Remy laughed at the remark. Zachary would never step into the Stones' villa if Zachary's beloved wife was not Mrs. Stone's niece, and neither would he ease his cold relationship with Clive.

Although it was difficult for the York Corporation and the Stone Group to cooperate, at least the hostility between them had died down after the meeting between the CEOs of their respective families.

Clive always wanted Zachary to call him cousin, but Zachary had no intention of doing it.

Clive was down in the dumps. Zachary was willing to approve Elisa as his cousin, but Clive did not get the same treatment. After all, Clive was not held in high regard by Serenity, unlike Elisa.

"Babe."

"Remy."

Serenity and Elisa both came out of the house. They called out to the two men who were at the gazebo while walking toward them.

Remy said to Zachary, "Your sunshine is here."

Zachary retorted, "Well, it seems to me that your shimmering moonlight is here as well."

The two briefly looked at each other. After picking up the things that he had brought over, Remy told Zachary, "I'll go ahead. I wouldn't want to be the third wheel."

Remy walked toward Elisa while talking.

"Sorry to have kept you waiting, Remy. I heard from the housekeeper that you were looking for me. What seems to be the matter?"

Elisa halted her footsteps in front of Remy.

Remy handed over the goods to her. Looking at her with a smile on his face, he said to her in a gentle tone, "I heard you liked the treats from this shop. I happened to pass by the store earlier today. So, I went ahead and bought some of your favorite treats for you.

"Here, this is for you."

Elisa received the gift and said, "I just mentioned it casually. If I'm up for some light bites, that place is my go-to. The place has a nice ambiance to it; quiet and peaceful too. I could sit there for an entire day.

"Thank you, Remy."

Even for something she said without much thought, Remy still took note of it. He even went out of his way to buy those snacks and gift them to her. Elisa got to experience firsthand how it felt to be valued by someone.

However, Elisa recalled that Remy once mentioned having a crush on someone. Not wanting to be involved in a competition for a man's heart ever again, she quickly expelled the weird happiness welling up in her heart.

She adored Zachary for years, alas, to no avail.

As she witnessed how lovey–dovey Zachary and Serenity were as a couple, she could not help but feel envious.

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"It's nearly time for lunch. I don't suppose your kitchen is ready yet. Do you want to join us?"

Remy was quite at home at the Stones' residence since he had the pleasure of dining there a few times. He said, "My kitchen is still under renovation, so I don't have any cooking facilities yet. There will be a lot of people dining in the hotel at this hour. I don't think I can get a private dining room for myself. I'd love to have lunch at your place."

With a smile, Elisa welcomed him into the house.

As for Zachary and his wife, Elisa needed not to attend to them.

Standing next to Zachary, Serenity stared at the backs of Elisa and Remy before telling her man," They look good together."

Zachary only had his eyes on Serenity. Following her comment, he took a quick glance at the pair and faintly uttered, "They do."

"It's obvious that Mr. Johnson has the hots for Elisa, but he's not being truthful to her about his feelings. Zachary–uh, I mean–Babe, can you try and put out feelers with Mr. Johnson?"

Serenity was most eager for Elisa to start dating again.

She could not shake the guilt that she stole Elisa's love every time she and Zachary appeared before Elisa.

Elisa was really into Zachary.

Able to read his wife's mind, Zachary held Serenity's hand and interlocked fingers with her as they walked out of the gazebo. He replied, "Sure, I'll try and get something out of Mr. Johnson. I'll encourage him to go after Elisa if he's romantically interested in her.

"Don't get wound up in this, Seren. Nothing will ever happen between Elisa and me even if you aren't in the picture. She's not my type."

Serenity refused to admit to it. "I'm not getting wound up. That reminds me, why did you come over? It must be exhausting for you to make trips back and forth."

The journey from York Corporation to the Stones' residence was a lot further than Zachary making his way to Wiltspoon Hotel.

Zachary would have time for a quick afternoon nap if he kept to the same lunchtime routine.

Now that he was here at the Stones' residence, Zachary would have to rush back to the office after lunch. He only had time for a quick shuteye in the car.

"I came because I missed you."

Amused, Serenity answered, "We leave home together every morning. Yet, you still miss me."

"I miss you every time you're not with me. I can't stop thinking about you and can't be bothered to do anything if you go somewhere far away and won't be home for days."

As if Serenity would believe him. Still, his sweet nothings made her feel loved.

He would only give his everything to his job and work his employees to the core when she was not around.

"Is Clive still being a d\*ck?" Zachary sullenly asked.

"We managed to talk some sense into him. At least he stopped insisting on Alice getting an abortion. Aunt Audrey and my sister said that the abortion will only cause more harm to Alice. He didn't want Alice to go through that, so he quit talking about it. I heard from Elisa that he was at it for days.

"His attitude rubbed Aunt Audrey the wrong way. Pregnancy is hard enough. Men should cherish and love their wives who are willing to bear their children."

Women did not have it easy during pregnancy. Plus, childbirth could prove fatal. Women were basically exchanging their lives for the birth of their babies.

Stopping in his tracks, Zachary turned his head and looked into Serenity's eyes with deep affection. "I will always love and cherish you, Seren."

Serenity grinned. "We have not been married for a year. We're still in our honeymoon period. Only time can tell whether you're able to cherish me forever."

"I will use a lifetime to prove my love to you."

Lowering his head, Zachary planted a warm kiss on her forehead. As she closed her eyes to enjoy the tender moment, he pulled her into his arms and sealed her lips.

Nevertheless, he quickly released her from his grip.

Zachary could not take things too far since they were at the Stones' residence.

Serenity did not share his thick skin.

"Come on. Let's have lunch."

Free from his hold, Serenity opened her eyes and locked fingers with him once again as they approached the magnificent house.

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After lunch at the Stones' residence, Zachary had to make his way back to the office. Remy no longer had a good reason to remain at the Stones' villa.

While eating. Clive had given Remy the dirty look multiple times.

Remy remained a gentleman and kept a smile on his face when meeting Clive's glares. It simply reflected poorly on Clive's manner, further infuriating Clive.

"Mr. Johnson, shall we leave together?" Zachary asked Remy.

Remy replied with a smile, "Sure. There's something I need to discuss with you too."

Serenity saw her man out the door. She was not in a hurry to leave as she wanted to spend some time with her aunt..

At the door, Zachary stopped and said to Serenity, "No need to see me off, Seren. I'm leaving with Mr. Johnson. Have a nice rest at your aunt's before returning to the shop."

His two bodyguards were at the shop. They could help Jasmine, so all the work did not have to fall on her.

"Get some shuteye in the car during your ride back. At least you won't feel tired in the afternoon. Don't drink too much coffee unless you plan on staying awake the whole night."

He would use his energy on her when he could not sleep.

Serenity urged him, reflecting her concern for him and herself.

Zachary answered, "I will."

He did not feel annoyed by her constant reminder at all. In fact, he felt loved.

As Serenity watched on, Zachary got into the car and rolled down the window to wave goodbye. With the car driving out of the Stones' residence, Zachary rolled up the window and stopped the car in front of Remy's home.

Remy asked, "Do you want to come in, Mr. York?"

Zachary did not turn down his invitation. He got out of his car and followed Remy into the highly sought—after villa. The residence was built on a huge piece of land.

"Mr. York, the place can be a little untidy since it's still under renovation. I hope you don't mind."

Remy took Zachary for a stroll around the yard. The renovation began inside the house, so it was a complete construction site inside. While there were building supplies piled up outside, the yard was in a better state than inside the house.

The landscape had been untouched for now. Remy did not move the decades—old trees away since Elisa suggested not to.

"How much longer will the renovation take?" Zachary asked in a husky voice.

After much thought, Remy answered, "I can probably move in next year."

The major facelift to the structure contributed to the length of time.

"The renovation can be time-consuming and bothersome. I always leave the task to my butler." All Zachary had to do was bring his suitcase in.

Remy smiled. "I can delegate the renovation to my butler for other properties, but this house means a lot to me. I want to do it myself to get the results I want. It will cost more time if we have to start over."

Tilting his head, Zachary glanced at Remy and showed understanding. "You do have to make an effort and make it special if you intend to make this house your marital home."

Remy curled his lips. "Yes. I only want the best. I let her participate in the planning so she will be pleased with the style of décor. I showed her the blueprints and asked for her opinions."

Seeing that Remy admitted his feelings for Elisa, Zachary paused and stared at Remy. He went straight to the point. "So are you saying that you have fallen for Elisa, Mr. Johnson?"

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Remy looked back at Zachary.

He was trying to read Zachary's thoughts through his expression.

Knowing what Remy was after, Zachary said, "Mr. Johnson, don't give me that look. I didn't love Elisa then. I don't have feelings for her now, nor will I be romantically involved with her in the future. She's never been my type."

This came from Zachary's heart.

Others may think Zachary could not accept Elisa because of his business rivalry with Clive.

Only Zachary knew that he simply did not see Elisa that way even though Elisa was not mean and unbearable as publicly rumored. Elisa was only being her authentic self.

Still, he was not into Elisa.

"You should pursue Elisa if you like her. It's really none of my business, but I was only asked to feel you out about your thoughts."

Remy asked, "Who sent you to ask me?"

Following the query, Remy realized the question was unnecessary.

Zachary's wife, Serenity, was Elisa's cousin. The girls were best friends before finding out they were family.

Serenity felt she did Elisa dirty when she found out that her husband was Elisa's crush. Nevertheless, Elisa had been gracious. Instead of turning against Serenity, she stood up for Zachary and persuaded Serenity to cherish Zachary. Serenity should not pass up on having a relationship with Zachary because of Elisa.

Otherwise, Serenity would regret it for life. Elisa mentioned that Zachary was marriage material since a proud woman like Elisa was willing to fall for him.

Due to Elisa's decency to let it go, Serenity and Zachary were able to get back together.

Their relationship was going stronger than ever.

"It must be your wife."

Remy added with a smile, "I should have known."

"Seren wanted me to put out the feelers. Why don't you confess your feelings to Elisa if you like her? Why aren't you going after her? What are you afraid of?"

Zachary barraged Remy with questions. Before Remy could answer, Zachary uttered, "You have seen what Seren and I have been through. I wonder if you have learned anything from us."

Remy had no words.

"I don't know if Elisa likes me." Remy was timid when it came to his crush.

He believed that he got on well with Elisa right now, and he craved the way they were getting along now Romy was afraid that Elisa might not let him into her heart and her house if he took their relationship a step further

The Stones were always watching him like a hawk.

Remy understood that the last thing the Stones wanted was for Elisa to marry off far away to Annenburg.

In fact, he was in charge of FC & Co.'s businesses in Wiltspoon, so he spent most of his time in Wiltspoon. Elisa would still be living in Wiltspoon if she were to marry him. At most, they would probably have to fly back to FC Manor during the festive holidays.

"I think you made a good impression on Elisa."

Zachary encouraged Remy to come clean with his feelings and woo Elisa.

Elisa's marriage would not matter to Zachary if she was not Serenity's cousin.

Now that they were related by marriage, Zachary hoped Elisa could find her true love. Serenity would only be able to put aside her worries when Elisa married someone as good as Zachary, if not better, and lived happily ever after.

Remy stared at Zachary for a while before responding, "Elisa and I are now friends. She doesn't have romantic feelings for me. She had been in love with you for a long time, and I want her to. come out of that and cool off before I can be truthful to her about how I feel. Her head will be clear then, and she'll know whether she loves me."

After much silence, Zachary uttered," Since you have an idea of what you want to do, I should let you carry on, Mr. Johnson."

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