

# Married at First Sight [On-Going]

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## Chapter 4501

“Romina, what’s going on with you? Why do you look so scared?” River asked softly, noticing her reaction.

Romina was indeed with Serenity. And with just a few casual words, River managed to scare his long-time nemesis. He had known Romina for years, but this was the first time he’d ever seen fear on her face.

The way she looked at him—it was like she’d seen a ghost.

He couldn’t help but laugh inwardly. *This is so satisfying.*

Romina asked cautiously, “...Are you River?”

“I am. You don’t recognize me anymore, Romina? That really hurts. I still remember you. Even if you turned to ashes, I’d recognize you.”

River’s voice was so soft it felt like it could melt, and his gaze was equally gentle.

Romina got goosebumps hearing him speak like that.

Serenity, watching silently, thought to herself, *Wow, he really picked it up fast.*

“Auntie!”

Belle called out sweetly, and Maverick greeted Romina too.

Serenity turned to her brother-in-law and said to Romina, “Don’t mind him. Let’s go shopping.”

Romina kept looking at River with suspicion.

She pulled Serenity aside and whispered, “Seren, what’s going on with River? Why is he suddenly being so nice to me? He used to yell every time he saw me. He was never like this. I thought he was just naturally bad-tempered. Or... did you scold him, and now he’s pretending in front of you by being nice to me?”

Serenity replied, “I didn’t scold him. I just told him he should be nicer to women. If he keeps being rude, no girl will want him. He’s 31 and still single. Everyone’s worried about his love life. We even wanted to set him up, but he lives in Eaglioncile, so far from home, and that makes it tough.

So now, he's still a single guy at 31. Honestly, part of why I came on this trip was to keep an eye out for any decent girls around him. I wanted to help him out and maybe even push things along a little."

Romina hesitated. "Seriously? He's not just playing some sneaky trick on me?"

"If he were, don't you think you'd have seen it before? He's been butting heads with you for years. But has he *ever* acted this nice to you when he was scheming?"

Romina shook her head.

"Exactly. He's not plotting anything. He's just trying to be nice now because I told him to. That's all."

Romina let out a breath, but still said, "I'm just not used to River being like this. Seren, can you tell him that he can save the niceness for other girls? I'm his enemy—it's weird when he's nice to me. I'd rather argue with him like always."

Serenity laughed. "Come on, don't you think this side of him is refreshing? You've been fighting him for so long—you should get to know every side of him. Whether he's nice or nasty, if you can handle it all, then his sweet talk won't catch you off guard."

Romina thought about it and figured she had a point.

She turned to look at River.

He stood a short distance away, holding a child in one arm, making no move to follow or eavesdrop on their conversation.

When their eyes met, River smiled gently at her.

Romina shivered and quickly looked away, then whispered to Serenity, "You say that, but this still feels like a trap. You're his sister-in-law—you're obviously going to help him set me up."