

"Something came up. That's why I'm late." Ethan stood outside the door, exuding a powerful aura, making it impossible for Janet to step forward.

"Why are you here? I want to go back. Get out of my way." Janet's voice broke with anger and sadness.

Seeing her red teary eyes, Ethan looked at everyone in the living room. Then, he gently grasped her wrist. "There's no hurry."

He took Janet back to the living room.

Sean put the bags on the table and opened them one after the other. After displaying everything on the table, he wiped the sweat off his forehead and retreated behind Ethan. Sean was tired of exerting all his physical strength to do his job.

Janet's eyes widened when she looked at the gifts. Expensive jewelry, watches, wine, and other rare antiques dazzled under the lights.

She wondered if these gifts were also knock-offs, like Ethan's expensive watch he had got from his friend.

Although the Lind family wasn't the most powerful family in the city, they had seen the world. They could differentiate fake from the real deal.

Janet tugged at Ethan's sleeve. "What were you thinking? They're not easy to fool! Forget it. If they find out these are fake, just tell them that I bought these," Janet stood on tiptoe and whispered in his ear.

A faint smile tugged at the corners of Ethan's mouth. Janet's words amused him. It was the first time

someone had thought he would give knock-offs as gifts. More than that, the way Janet wanted to protect him and take the blame brought a smile to his face.

He gently scratched her soft palm. "Don't worry. I never give a fake as a gift."

It took Fiona and Jocelyn a few seconds to recover from the shock. They finally shut their mouths and looked at each other. Both of them knew the gifts were invaluable.

Fiona smiled sweetly. "Ethan, this is your house too now that we're family. You don't have to bring gifts when you come. Moreover, these are too expensive. How can we accept them?"

Jocelyn was drawn to the diamond jewelry dazzling on the table. Moreover, the limited edition bracelet was her favorite among the others. Just as she was

about to pick it up and put it on her wrist, Ethan shut the velvet box.

He began to close the boxes and put them in the bag.

Ethan glanced at the mother and daughter who were greedily eyeing the gifts. "These were supposed to be gifts from the Lester family for you. But I just heard that you don't regard her as your daughter anymore. Such being the case, there's no need for me to give these gifts. You are a dignified family. I'm sure you don't care about these insignificant gifts."

Both Fiona and Jocelyn were dumbfounded.

Jocelyn anxiously tugged at her mother's sleeve.

"Mom! Say something. I really want that limited edition jewelry."

Fiona thought she was rich and had seen the luxuries

of the world, but clearly she was wrong. The Lind family was inferior to the Lester family in every way.

Even though Ethan was only an illegitimate son of the Lester family, it was normal for him to show his respect to his in-laws by gifting them.

Fiona regretted humiliating Janet when she could have used her to take advantage of Ethan in the future.

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