

Chapter 24

"Hey, Mr. Lester, is this the Miss Byrd you were talking about? Quite a looker!" The girl's laughter was melodious and incredibly soft.

It was like a gentle spring shower that made people involuntarily steal a few more glances

Leslie took a deep breath and glanced at Carlos.

With a raised eyebrow, he gestured, "Come, sit beside me."

Although it was a private booth for two, sitting next to Carlos would make it quite cramped.

However, Carlos forcefully pulled Leslie down to sit beside him.

"She is..." Leslie began, looking at the girl.

"Guess her age," Carlos chuckled, a bewitching smile playing on his lips.

"Eighteen or nineteen?" Leslie sized up the girl.

With delicate features, big watery eyes, and dressed in a white dress, her long black hair flowing, the girl looked incredibly innocent.

Who was she?

Carlos invited her out, so what's all about?

Was his wooer or something?

"Miss Byrd, you've flattered me, but I'm delighted to meet you! I'm Carlie Moran,"

The girl stood up, smiling warmly at Leslie.

Leslie hesitated for a moment, then heard Carlos laugh lightly, sensing a hint of possessiveness.

"What? Feeling jealous?"

Leslie shot him a look, shaking hands with Carlie.

"She's your assistant now. You'll understand why I introduced her to you soon,"

Carlos explained lightly, embracing Leslie around the waist. "Actually, she's 30 this year."

When Leslie heard this, she immediately looked at Carlie in shock!

How could she maintain it so well?

"Carlie, you may leave now."

Carlos said indifferently. Carlie smiled at Leslie, "Miss Byrd, I'll be leaving first. I believe we'll meet soon."

"Goodbye." Leslie didn't say anything. She didn't know what Carlos's intentions were.

After Carlie left, Leslie stood up from beside him and sat across from Carlos.

"Carlie is my assistant. Carlos, I'm still a student; why would I need an assistant?" Leslie didn't know what's Carlos up to.

"You'll understand later. You're too vulnerable alone; you need an assistant," Carlos chuckled, standing up and moving to sit beside Leslie.

Leslie heart skipped a beat. She stared at Leslie, keeping her guard up.

"Hey, am I that scary?" Carlos said, somewhat vexed.

Other women couldn't even get close to him.

Yet Leslie, who said she'd marry him, acted like he was a plague!

"I... I'm not used to sitting so close to a man I've only met a few times,"

"That's true. My little one has never been in love before,"

"Carlos, you're shameless!" Leslie furrowed her brows, her face turning even redder.

Carlos smirked and reached out to pull Leslie into his arms.

Leslie struggled a bit, and Carlos laughed in her ear, "Behave, I just want to hold you."

The scorching heat sprayed on her earlobes, causing her face and ears to turn red. "Carlos, let me go."

"Leslie, since you promised to marry me, let's take our time to build our relationship. We can get married after you graduate. Consider this our dating phase; hugging and cuddling is what lovers do!" Carlos chuckled, his words carrying a shameless tone.

Leslie felt that the soft lips landed on her earlobe.

She was scared out of her wits and immediately pushed away Carlos!

The trauma from Jensen's betrayal still haunted her, so she was resistant to any man approaching her too intimately.

Pushed back, Carlos's expression darkened, a trace of hostility in his eyes. His large hand grabbed Leslie's shoulder, and she was abruptly pulled into his embrace.

Leslie didn't expect Carlos to get angry. Looking into his furious eyes, she bit her lip. "Let go of me! You promised not to touch me!"

"Leslie, no woman has ever rejected me like this!"

Carlos felt annoyed about her refusal and couldn't control his emotions. Faced with this little girl's rejection, he involuntarily lost control.

Leslie's lips trembled, and her face was burning.

Before she could think of what to do, Carlos suddenly lifted her chin and kissed her forcefully.

Leslie's eyes were wide open. The passionate aura made her a little dizzy. Carlos's tongue invaded her small mouth, and the gentle plundering almost caused her brain go blank.

But at this moment, the door was kicked open!