

## Midnight 541

### Chapter 1253 - 541: Why Did Joshua Use That Word?

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Ted always thought that since Simon went to Country Z to make trouble for Joshua and they both fell in love with the same woman, Simon and Joshua were totally incompatible.

But Ted was pretty sure that Joshua and Simon had joined forces at present.

Joshua, who was thoughtful, couldn't fail to take into account Ted's strongmen on Stacy Island and the organization's retaliation. But it seemed Joshua didn't care about it at all now, which meant he had already figured out how to solve these problems.

Even if Joshua was his son, Joshua had no foundation in the organization. It was impossible for him to get rid of the organization unless someone else could come forward justifiably to take over it completely.

It was undoubtedly Simon King. Even if there were any different voices in the organization, Simon would suppress them.

Joshua and Simon worked together. Joshua wanted Ted, while Simon wanted his organization. They were really his good sons. They tried to deceive him in a bid to catch him off guard. It had to be said that the plan looked perfect.

So, even if Ted had been kept in the dark, he almost figured it out soon.

Joshua looked at him indifferently. He had no idea what Ted was thinking and had no interest in it.

"It's none of your business." Joshua said coldly, "Do you choose to go with me or..."

"Bam!" There was a loud bang, and then the earth shook.

Even if the sound insulation of the study was perfect, the two of them could still clearly feel the vibration outside.

Both Joshua and Ted's faces turned pale at the same time.

Something went wrong!

Ted hurried to the door, but suddenly a strong wind blew behind him. He swerved to block Joshua's attack.

Joshua's attack was like a storm, and Ted had no choice but to hide. He was good at fighting, but he was not young. However, just parrying Joshua's attack like that made him a little overwhelmed.

"What are you doing?!" Ted snarled as he retreated, "Now there's something going on out there. You don't go out to check it with me, but you're actually trying to think about how to deal with me?"

"I don't trust you!" Instead of stopping his attack, Joshua attacked more swiftly and fiercely. "I need to make sure what is going on, but before I can make sure that you're not involved, I have to subdue you first!"

"You..." Ted tried to speak, but the study door was flung open, and two of Joshua's bodyguards directly entered the room and joined him in the fight.

Instantly, Ted's situation got worse.

Seeing that his men had not come to rescue him, Ted confirmed his previous suspicions. Joshua couldn't reach Stacy Island no matter how powerful he was. Only the people from the organization could be transferred to Stacy Island, and only Simon could transfer them.

It must be Simon who had managed to get his men to sneak on the island, and then, with these spies' help, Ted's men were brought down.

"Just give up resistance!" Joshua said in a deep tone. His goal was never to kill Ted. When he thought about Stacy's suffering, he thought he would be too kind to Ted if he let Ted die.

Ted paused, and a bodyguard stepped forward to grab him.

Then the bodyguard took out handcuffs and handcuffed him to a chair.

There was a volley of gunfire outside. It didn't sound very clear, but it still gave people pressure.

"You, stay and keep an eye on him. Don't let him run away," Joshua said to the bodyguard, "I'll come back to pick you up when I know what's going on outside."

The bodyguard agreed. Joshua was ready to leave the study with another bodyguard.

"Bang-" With a loud sound, the whole villa shook again.

"Joshua, I'm afraid it's not as simple as you thought," said Ted, with a chill in his eyes.

Then he said coldly. "There's a secret passage under the desk in the southwestern corner of the first floor. You can go out that way. Believe me once, and perhaps I can help you!"

Joshua gave him a cold look. He really couldn't trust Ted.

"Perhaps I will try to believe you when you 'atone' later!" Joshua said and went straight out of the study.

Ted looked helplessly at the handcuffs on his hands, and doubt arose in his heart. Atone? Why did Joshua use that word?

Joshua took his bodyguards to the living room downstairs, where shots kept ringing out, and the battle was very intense.

Walking through the entrance door would make him an easy target, so Joshua took his bodyguard to the room Ted had just mentioned and quickly found the secret passage under the desk.

Looking at the secret passage, Joshua's eyes dimmed slightly before he finally walked in.

They made their way through the secret passage to leave the villa. There were not gunshots outside.

"What happened?" Joshua took the walkie-talkie from his bodyguard's hand and asked in a deep tone.

There was a volley of gunfire from the other end, and a voice said angrily, "Master Denmark, Simon King's men turn against us!"

Joshua's eyes went dark. He asked calmly, "Tell me exactly what happened!"

The man on the other end hurried to tell him the story roughly. After secretly picking them up on the shore, the spies Simon had arranged on the island took them to kill the invisible sentries on the island.

But just as they had fully controlled the island, several spies suddenly defected, and a heavily armed army showed up on the island. Joshua's men had been defenseless, so they were caught off guard, and they were at a disadvantage now.

Joshua's mind raced. Judging from the current intelligence, it was indeed Simon's men who had abnormal behavior. It even looked as if Simon intended to kick down the ladder and take this opportunity to kill Ted and him directly.

Joshua, however, did not think this was true. It was not something that Simon would do. He was a bit unscrupulous, but he wouldn't do things like that.

But now, whether Simon had defected or not, Joshua had to erase the accident first.

"Report your location," Joshua demanded in a deep voice.

The different positions were reported, and soon Joshua had a rough picture in his mind and then figured out the enemy's position.

Then, according to his men's positions, he organized them to launch an effective counterattack.

Joshua was fully prepared this time. Many of the people he brought with him were from Katherine, and some of them were very excellent veterans.

Katherine hated the organization as much as he did, so she wasn't willing to give up such a good chance. Although she didn't act in person, she was perfectly happy to help him find some right hands.

#### **Chapter 1254 - 542: They Were Dragged Into A Dangerous Situation**

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Under Joshua's command, their unsatisfactory situation quickly reversed.

Then, according to the terrain he had known very well, Joshua directed them to chase.

The men who attacked them did not panic but retreated systematically towards the southwest of the island.

A huge parking apron Ted had repaired in the southwest, with just a few planes parking. They retreated in its direction, apparently intending to escape.

"Chase them!" Joshua said in a deep tone. But if they just chased the other party, they could unnecessarily stop them. Joshua thought for a while and said the names of several excellent men Katherine had given him.

"You set up a special squad to get ahead of them and disable the planes from taking off! I'm sure it won't be difficult for you!" Joshua ordered.

"We can have a try!" Several men were interested in Joshua's proposal.

Upon receiving a positive reply, Joshua was ready to follow them with his bodyguards and catch up with those who had given them a sneak attack.

All of a sudden, a very loud bang sounded from behind!

Joshua turned his head around instantly, and then his pupils shrank!

Before his very eyes, the beautiful seaside house Ted had built collapsed in an explosion.

Joshua's fingers tightened slightly. Ted was still in the villa.

With such an explosion, even if he were lucky, he would be buried under the rubble.

At that moment, Joshua did not know how to describe the feelings in his heart.

He had no feelings for Ted. The Denmark family had given him enough fatherly love and maternal love, so he didn't need to look for parents' care and comfort from others.

But knowing that Stacy had suffered so much, it was the first time he had ever hated Ted for his unfeeling and hated why he had such a father.

But now... the man he was ready to take away for torture just died like that...

Joshua felt vaguely empty. If Ted died like this, it seemed a little too comfortable for Ted. Perhaps it was because of this that he felt a little... sad?

The emotion was only momentary, and Joshua soon came to his senses and headed southwest for the airfield again.

Apart from the ruins of the villa, Ted and Madeline fell in a mess on the nearby lawn, while the bodyguard arranged by Joshua had completely fainted in the blast to protect Madeline.

"Cough, cough..." Madeline pushed aside the bodyguard on her unhappily and even looked at the bloodstains on her body in disgust. She was so angry that she kicked the unconscious bodyguard.

"Asshole! You actually dared to grope me!"

Ted stood up. His eyes were very cold as he coolly reminded her, "If it weren't for his help, you have been dead."

Madeline's movement paused slightly. The next moment, she immediately fawned on Ted, "Uncle King, I didn't see what happened clearly, so I got him wrong... I thought he was trying to grope me..."

Ted turned his head around and looked elsewhere. He really felt disgusted to look at Madeline.

Back then, he didn't want Madeline to marry Simon. Madeline's grandfather saved Ted's life on a mission. However, the old Carter was badly injured and passed away soon after.

Ted asked the old Carter if he had any wishes. The old Carter said he had a lovely granddaughter, and he hoped she could marry one of Ted's sons.

Ted didn't want to say yes, but Madeline was only four years old at that time, and she was very lovely and sensible, and Madeline's mother was a gentle, polite lady, so Ted agreed.

He originally thought that with the Carter family's upbringing, their children wouldn't be too terrible. If the two children liked each other, it would not be a big deal for him to give them a wedding when they grew up. It could also be considered a joke if they didn't like each other.

But god knew Madeline, this wench actually grew more and more dishonest and acted ostentatiously with this marriage.

Ted saw it all. Although he was very angry, he did not punish the Carter family. It had been his intention to leave the marriage to Simon. If Simon couldn't handle a single woman, Simon wasn't eligible to control the whole organization.

So Ted didn't like Madeline at all.

"Don't be angry, Uncle King. I'm so worried about your safety that I don't pay much attention to other things..." Madeline wore a pitiful look. "I was locked up and tortured by Simon for so long before I was rescued by... Ian Flores's men, but luckily they were not wary of me, so they brought me to this island.

I don't know until now that Simon's uncle Ian Flores is a bad guy! He secretly lay dynamites under the villa to kill you and Brother Joshua! I'm terrified of dynamites, but I'm more afraid that some accident would happen to both of you! I risked my life to save you, Uncle King..."

Madeline looked as if she was about to cry.

Ted was more annoyed. Did Madeline really know her identity? He was kind of her elder, but she actually dealt with him the way she dealt with men?

What was more, even if Madeline hadn't come, he wouldn't have gotten hurt?

How could those handcuffs trouble him? He had removed the handcuffs and subdued the bodyguard before Madeline could reach his study to alert him.

He had planned to leave with the bodyguard, but Madeline suddenly appeared and told him that explosives had been buried in the villa.

Initially, they had enough time to leave, but Madeline was so frightened by the explosion that her legs went limp, which slowed them down.

Joshua's bodyguard tried to carry her away, but she unreasonably felt disgusted as she thought that he was so dirty that he shouldn't touch her. In conclusion, they were dragged into a dangerous situation by Madeline step by step.

In the end, they rushed out the moment when the explosion began. Joshua's bodyguard protected her, but she actually treated her savior so unkindly.

Obviously, this woman had hurt Ted, but she insisted that she had saved him.

Ted took out his phone and dialed a number, "All come here!"

Soon, a few agile people came to him from different corners.

Madeline's eyes lit up. She had heard that Ted was surrounded by a group of subordinates who mysteriously appeared and disappeared, and each of them had extremely powerful strength.

She said excitedly. "Uncle King, we've got men. We can kill the attackers and avenge yourself on them..."

### **Chapter 1255 - 543: Joshua Denmark, I Want To Kill You**

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Ted's eyes went cold. He gave a wink, and the man near Madeline injected her with anesthetic drugs. Before she could finish the sentence, she felt a pain in the back of her neck and fainted directly.

Ted surrounded him. They asked in a low voice, "Head, what to do now?"

Joshua had the upper hand, but whichever side they joined, it would tip the balance.

Ted looked darkly in the direction of the gunshot before his face became subtle.

Both Simon and Joshua wanted him to die. It seemed that over the years, he had been such a failed father that his own sons hated him like this.

Maybe... The explosion was also a good opportunity. If they didn't want him to exist globally, he would do what they wanted.

"Let's go." Ted's eyes fell on the bodyguard and Madeline. His face suddenly turned cold. "Take them with you."

If they were left, his plan to feign death would not be able to succeed.

A group of people quietly left with the injured bodyguard and unconscious Madeline.

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On the airport apron, the special squad Joshua dispatched had completed the mission smoothly.

The planes had been destroyed, and Joshua's men had caught up with the kidnappers; the situation had been settled.

Joshua raised his hand slightly, and the shots died away. Now, these people were sitting ducks, but Joshua thought he needed to watch out if the other party would still struggle.

Then Joshua's men began to shout, persuading the other side to give up the resistance.

Suddenly, a man who seemed to be the leader stepped forward and shouted, "Joshua, look, who is she?!"

With that, a woman was pushed forward.

Joshua's pupils shrank instantly at the sight of the woman! It was none other than Stacy Sloane!

Gunshots rang out beside her, but she still looked dazed as a fine porcelain doll.

Joshua felt stifled in his heart. He raised his hand quickly, and the shooting stopped instantly.

Stacy had suffered so much that he didn't want to put her in danger anymore.

"Let her go, and I'll let you go!" Joshua said in a deep tone. His eyes fell on the leading man wearing a mask on his face, who looked no longer young.

Joshua furrowed his eyebrows tightly. He did not like people who were so sneaky because it could easily remind him of Simon. He felt that this person should have something to do with Simon for some reason.

"Hum! Do you think I believe you?!" The leading man sounded heartless, "Joshua Denmark, I want to kill you!"

Joshua's eyes darkened. "Fine, I'll be your hostage instead of her."

There was a silence as if the masked man could not believe that Joshua would actually make such a request. It was a perfect proposal for them.

"Master Denmark," said a man beside Joshua as he became worried instantly, "you can't go! They said they wanted to kill you..."

"Don't worry," Joshua explained in a low voice. "They want to kill me, but they're not going to do that now. If anything happens to me, never let them go so that they can never leave. But if they let me stay and they hold me hostage, they can leave. As long as they are not stupid, they will not do anything to me at this moment."

Joshua's guess was pretty much what the masked man thought. He knew that if Joshua was willing to act as a hostage, he could get out safely. If Joshua was in his hands, he could torture Joshua slowly even if he kept alive.

Whatever he thought about it, it was a great deal. But the masked man hesitated. He knew better than anyone that Joshua, his opponent, was not a pushover.

"Good!" The masked man finally made up his mind. He wanted Joshua's life, but he didn't want to die here.

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A few speedboats galloped at full speed and berthed quickly at the harbor.

Hazel rushed down from the speedboat. Simon hurried to chase her and grabbed her arm. "Pumpkin, don't worry..."

"Let me go!" Hazel shook off his hand and looked at him with a cold face. "I agreed to take your boat, but I didn't promise that I'll obey you!"

Simon's eyes grew darker.

James had secretly instructed the pilot to slow down the helicopter, so Simon caught up with Hazel when he took the speedboat.

He spent a lot of time explaining to her that he didn't betray Joshua, but she still didn't trust him.

In the end, James said that the island was very dangerous and that if they went there by helicopter, the target would be too obvious, and they might become an easy target and hold Joshua back, so Hazel agreed to go aboard Simon's speedboat.

"The island is very dangerous now. Haven't you heard gunshots before?" Simon said helplessly, "Can't you believe me for once?"

"Aren't the gunshots caused by your uncle?" She looked at him coldly. "Simon King, how can I trust you? Would you choose Joshua between your uncle and Joshua?!"

To gain Hazel's trust, Simon did not hide his speculation. So Hazel had already figured out that the man who took Stacy away to threaten Joshua was probably Ian Flores's subordinates!

The current situation was very disadvantageous for Joshua. She knew Joshua too well. Even though he pretended that he didn't care about his family, he cared about his relationship with them more than anyone else. As long as Stacy was around, he would be on the defensive.

Simon and Joshua were merely partners, but Ian Flores, who attacked Joshua, was Simon's uncle! Plus, what Ian was doing was obviously for Simon's good as he tried to kill Joshua for Simon. Under such circumstances, how could she trust Simon?

Even if Simon really did not know his uncle's plan, who could guarantee that Simon wouldn't turn against Joshua after meeting with his uncle?

Simon's eyes dimmed. Although he could understand Hazel's feelings, he was still sad that she didn't trust him at all.

"I'll help Joshua. Trust me." Simon promised with a solemn face. "I swear by my dead mother."

Hazel froze, looking at him in disbelief.

Simon's dead mother should be the past he did not want to mention, but now, he actually said such a severe oath that she could really not leave like this.

"We don't know anything about this island, Hazel," James said in time. "It's too dangerous to act alone. I suggest continuing following Simon."

**Chapter 1256 - 544: He Had Only One Chance**



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She nodded slightly as James gave her an out. She looked at Simon with a complicated expression. "I'd like to believe you this time... Simon, please don't lie to me."

Even at this time, she was still very hesitant.

Because if she made the wrong choice and trusted the wrong person, then she would likely... lose her most beloved man, which would be a consequence she really couldn't accept.

"I understand," said Simon gravely. "If anything happens to him, I'll give you my life!"

She bit her lip hard. She turned away and ignored Simon's remark.

Simon waved his hand, and his men protected Hazel in the middle.

"The previous sound seemed to come from that place." James pointed to the southwest of the island.

"That's the tarmac on the island," Simon's pupils suddenly shrank. "Let's go!"

The gunshots suddenly stopped, which made them very panicky in the heart. It was so oddly quiet. Could it be... that someone was injured?

Hazel didn't dare think too much. She followed them closely.

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Joshua stepped out and motioned that he was unarmed before going in the direction of the attackers.

The masked man was none other than Ian Flores! Simon just assumed that all this was arranged by his uncle, but Simon did not think that it was his uncle who kidnapped Stacy and came to Stacy Island himself!

Ian had planned to kidnap members of the Sloane family to threaten Joshua, but he accidentally found Stacy.

Stacy was certainly a better hostage for Ian. He intended to put her to better use, but he hadn't imagined that he would have to be forced by Joshua to use her to escape.

He waved his hand fretfully to beckon his men to let go of Stacy and ordered Stacy. "Go ahead. Someone will pick you up."

Stacy had already gotten better, so she could understand simple instructions and followed them. Ian knew this after abducting her, so now he just gave her simple orders.

Stacy obediently walked forward.

Joshua breathed a sigh of relief as he watched Stacy walk toward him.

Stacy didn't walk quickly. Although Joshua was worried, he did not quicken his pace.

Joshua's eyes turned deep as Stacy drew closer.

Ian aimed his gun straight at Joshua, afraid that something would happen!

Joshua walked calmly. When he saw Stacy nearly walk past him, he walked past Stacy without a glance.

Seeing this scene, Ian loosened the gun in his hand slightly.

Suddenly, Joshua turned around and held Stacy to fall on the ground!

He had only one chance!

Ian was shocked and furious. Joshua Denmark is really playing tricks!

He moved his finger and was about to pull the trigger when he heard his men shout, "Get down!"

Aware of the danger, Ian's body was faster than his mind, and he quickly got down.

Bang! Thick smoke exploded, making Ian and all his men cough.

"Smoke bombs!" Ian covered his nose and mouth with hatred. He shouldn't have underestimated Joshua. He actually fell for Joshua's tricks!

The smoke was so thick that Ian couldn't see where Joshua was, so he fired in Joshua's direction in succession according to his memory.

The gunshots rang out. Joshua ran in the direction he had come from, protecting Stacy.

Suddenly, Stacy's pace stopped, and she looked at the nearby Stacy Island. Her blank eyes were suddenly filled with anger and disgust!

"Ah!" she screamed, ran away from Joshua as fast as she could, and ran wildly in the opposite direction!

Joshua's face paled, and he hurried to run after her! When Ian heard Stacy's scream, Ian fired straight in their direction!

When Stacy reached the edge of the cliff, Joshua grabbed her by the wrist and pulled her backward. "Be careful!"

A bullet grazed his arm, creating a long line of blood. Joshua's strength decreased, and Stacy broke free of his wrist and ran toward the cliff again!

Joshua ignored the injury on his hand and ran after Stacy again helplessly.

"Ah!" All of a sudden, she slipped, and her whole body fell towards the cliff! Joshua reached out quickly and grabbed her wrist.

Stacy looked up blankly at Joshua holding on to her, her frightened eyes brightening. His appearance made her feel at ease for some reason.

"... Son... My son," she called his name softly. Over these days, Joshua didn't come to visit her, but Grandpa Sloane always brought a picture of Joshua to Stacy and helped her know about her son.

Finally, at this moment, Stacy recognized Joshua.

Clear tears fell from her eyes, and Joshua felt pain. He grabbed her wrist hard and comforted her in a low voice, "Don't be afraid. I'll save you..."

"Stop it! Ceasefire!" When Simon arrived at the tarmac, he saw Ian's men standing in a group and shouted angrily, "If you don't stop fighting, don't blame me for disowning and killing you!"

After that, the gunshots stopped.

Hazel stood in the middle of Simon's men. She, who had been kept in suspense, was finally relieved. Now she was so excited that she almost wanted to cry.

Finally, finally, catch up with them in time...

Her eyes searched quickly in the crowd, and soon she saw Joshua trying to pull Stacy up on the cliff's edge.

"Joshua..." Hazel called his name in a low tone and walked toward him with limp legs.

Ian led the men to walk out of the hidden corner. He looked at Simon in the distance and took off his mask.

"Uncle?" Simon's pupils suddenly shrank. He hadn't expected that it was really his uncle who did it! Despite all the speculation, Simon had been quietly hoping in the heart that Ian would have nothing to do with it. But right now, he couldn't find any excuse to defend Ian.

Simon roared angrily. "What the hell are you doing?!"

"Simon, I know I will test your patience this time," Ian said, looking at Simon grimly. "but even if you hate me or rebuke me, there's one thing I have to do!"

With that, he suddenly raised his hand, and the sniper in the corner aimed his gun at Joshua!

"Uncle!" Simon shouted furiously and hurried to warn Joshua, "Joshua, be careful...."

However... It was too late.

Hazel's pupils shrank, and the next moment she felt the world turned pale.

She watched Joshua get shot in the head, and the blood ran down his forehead. She watched him fall off the cliff with Stacy...

How did that happen? She had already arrived on time!

## **Chapter 1257 - 545: It Was All His Fault**

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Hazel walked to the edge of the cliff in a daze. Looking at the surging waves, she shouted silently, "Joshua, you liar...."

He said he wouldn't leave her. He made a clear promise that he would definitely come back. He had promised her that when he came back, he would tell her everything.

They... hadn't had a wedding yet!

Two lines of helpless tears ran down her cheeks. Why was that?

It was clear that Joshua saw her and called her name so gently just now, but the next moment, he was shot and fell down the cliff, with a face full of blood...

"Hazel!" Seeing that she was about to follow and jump, Simon quickly stopped her. "Calm down! James has taken some people to go down to look for..."

Hazel broke free of his hand and said fiercely, "Let me go! It's all your fault! I shouldn't have believed you. I shouldn't have believed you...."

Simon's eyes dimmed as he could not contradict.

Her accusations and her tears cut back and forth in his heart like a sharp knife.

When he saw Joshua fall off the cliff, Simon suddenly realized that he didn't want Joshua to get hurt or die. He hated Joshua and even disliked him from the bottom of his heart, but he also admired Joshua's abilities, resolution, and boldness.

In their cooperation, Joshua had perfectly finished what he should do, but Simon trusted his own men so much that Ian took advantage of it. It was also because Simon wasn't on guard against Ian. If he had disarmed his men first or had someone protect Joshua, all this would not have happened.

Hazel was right. It was all his fault.

"Simon," Ian had been completely captured by Simon's men, but he was looking very excited and mad now. "They're all dead! The asshole Ted who killed your mother has been blown up by me! His little bastard son, who has been shot and fallen into the sea, must be dead too! The organization is yours now. No one is going to compete for it with you. It's all yours...."

There was a sudden rush of hatred in Hazel's eyes. It's this man's fault, this man's fault!

She grabbed the gun from Simon and pointed it at Ian. "I'll kill you!"

A gunshot rang out. Ian let out a cry as a bloody hole was left in his shoulder.

Seeing her emotions completely out of control, Simon quickly grabbed the gun from her hand and hit her in the back of her neck to make her faint.

Her body collapsed. Simon reached out his hands to hug her. "Hazel, I'm sorry. I'll punish my uncle...."

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Hazel woke up in the hospital.

She opened her eyes and saw the white ceiling and James by the bed.

"Where's Joshua?" Hazel asked, sitting up straight.

"I'm still looking for him," James replied.

Her fingers tightened slightly. When she fainted, the hospital gave her an intravenous drip. She swiftly removed the needle and lifted the quilt to get out of bed.

"Hazel," James stopped hurriedly, "you're very emotional now. You'd better not go. Take a rest..."

"James, we were around... when he fell, and you went to look for him immediately at that time. How could you not find him? You don't want me to go there," she said, her eyes growing misty and her uncontrollable fear spreading fast in her heart. She raised her eyes and asked, trembling, "is it because he's..."

She was so sad and scared that she couldn't say the next words.

She didn't dare to imagine the scene where Joshua was dead. She really didn't want to see a cold dead body... she was scared it was because James and others were worried that she wouldn't be able to accept the fact that Joshua had been dead that they kept it from her.

"... If so, I want to see him!" Hazel bit her lip. Her heart seemed unable to breathe. Escapism was never her style.

"I'm not lying to you, Hazel," James said helplessly. "I haven't found him yet."

"How is that possible?!" Hazel looks at him in shock.

The cliff on the tarmac was too steep for people to go straight down. James had to take the men back to the harbor and take a speedboat as fast as he could. But when they went there, they couldn't find Joshua and Stacy. Even as they expanded their search, they couldn't find them.

Simon didn't know how to face her, so he handed her to James. Simon was still on Stacy Island, leading the search for them.

"You didn't lie to me?" Hazel stared at James.

No news was good news for her now. Even if Joshua hadn't been found, it would... be better for her to face a dead body. As long as he was not found, he was probably still alive. Perhaps he had been swept away somewhere else, perhaps he had been saved by someone else... In this way, she could always have hope.

"I'm not lying to you," James said seriously. "Hazel, just think, even if Joshua was killed, Aunt Stacy shouldn't be hurt. But this time Aunt Stacy also disappears...."

Hazel's fingers tightened. James had a point. Even Stacy was also missing. It looked like they really hadn't found anyone yet.

Taking a deep breath, she said in a deep voice, "I'm going to Stacy Island!"

She was going to look for Joshua. Whatever the outcome, she could not escape. Joshua had said he would not leave her alone. She was willing to believe him.

James shook his head. "Hazel, you can't go..."

"Why?" She looks at him with a puzzle. "Since you say you aren't lying to me, why do you stop me from going to Stacy Island?! Don't worry, I won't make trouble!"

James was a bit helpless. He sighed. "Hazel, I don't want you to go because your body..."

"Why?" she interrupted impatiently. "I'm fine! Get out of my way! Don't stop me!"

"Hazel," James frowned, "if you don't think about yourself, shouldn't you think about the baby in your body?"

"What?" A bolt of thunder exploded in her heart, and she looked at him in disbelief, her hand unconsciously put on her flat stomach, "... Baby?"

"Don't you know you're pregnant?" James said in amazement, "The doctor says you're six weeks pregnant."

She felt bewildered. She was... pregnant?

Previously, Hazel had mistakenly assumed that Joshua didn't want children so early because he gave in to her, so she had been pestering him all that time.

### **Chapter 1258 - 546: Please Find Him**

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She lowered her head, her hand gently resting on her lower abdomen.

They didn't take contraception measures while she pestered him.

Joshua wanted contraception, but she didn't allow it. Joshua obeyed her, but God knew she won the lottery now.

The child came quite unexpectedly.

Hazel gently caressed her flat stomach, feeling the life inside.

Tears rolled down her cheeks, and her heart, which had been flurried and despairing, suddenly felt a burst of warmth. She and Joshua had a baby. How would Joshua be willing to abandon her and the baby?

"He must be safe," Hazel said, raising her tear-stained face to stare at James with a determined look.

"Joshua would never lie to me. He said he would come back, and he will. Please find him!"

"I will!" James made a solemn promise.

As the search continued, they began to expand the search area, not only on Stacy Island but also on the islands adjacent to Stacy Island and hospitals, ports, fishing boats, and other places in the coastal cities of Country Z.

Strangely, it seemed both Stacy and Joshua had disappeared entirely.

Hazel kept waiting. In the beginning, she was upset, scared, and panicky, and then she became despairing. Even though there had been no word from Joshua, Hazel never gave up looking for him.

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"Hazel, wait for me..."

Joshua stood on the edge of the cliff and tenderly held out his hand to her.

"Joshua..." Hazel tried hard to yell, but even though she did her best, she couldn't make a sound. Although her legs were filled with lead, she desperately ran in his direction. However, before she could touch his hand, he fell from the cliff with his gentle smile...

Hazel opened her eyes.

She held out her hand and wiped the tears on her face. She awakened from her dream again.

Over these days, she seemed to dream about Joshua less and less, perhaps because she was getting more and more sleepy.

Although the search for Joshua still continued, Hazel was clear that everyone thought that Joshua had been dead.

But she didn't think so. She firmly believed that Joshua must still be alive somewhere in the world.

Hazel knew her thoughts were ridiculous, but she had the intuition. Her sixth sense was always accurate. Before Joshua's business trip, she had a feeling that she would be separated from him for a long time, and after his business trip, she had a vague feeling that something bad would happen to Joshua. All this had come true.

So, even when everyone else gave up, she insisted that he would come back.

She felt her head was very painful. She rubbed her temples, and a ringing sounded.

"Jaxson... I'll be there for today's meeting... Well, you arrange..."

Hanging up the phone, Hazel got up to wash up. When she went downstairs, she found Harry and Rachel waiting for her at the table.

"Hazel, are you up?" Rachel immediately gave her a glass of milk. "You said yesterday that you had a bad appetite. I just made some appetizing dishes for you. Have a taste...."

"Hazel, come and sit down," Harry said. "Did you sleep well last night? Let me check your body..."

Looking at their enthusiastic eyes, Hazel smiled.

After the accident with Joshua, her family came directly to Denmark Residence to accompany her. It was also because there were people who loved her accompanying her that this period of time was not so difficult for her.

After breakfast, Hazel said goodbye to them and left for the Denmark Group.

The news of the accident with Joshua couldn't be hidden. Denmark Group also had chaos naturally. But before the directors in Denmark Group could make trouble, with the help of Jaxson, Hazel took full control of Denmark Group, making those directors give up.

But there were always some restless directors, so she had to be present at the meeting.

When she arrived at Denmark Group, Hazel got out of the car. Suddenly, she stopped walking. She looked at a car parked in a corner nearby, and anger rose in her heart instantly.

The next moment, she walked directly toward the car and tapped on the window with a cold face.

The window was wound down, revealing Simon's helpless face.

"Why are you following me?" she asked angrily. "How many times do I have to repeat it? You're not allowed to follow me!"

Simon got out of the car and whispered, "Hazel, I'm worried about your safety..."

"Don't bother!" she said coldly.

"Even if you're mad at me, you shouldn't be careless with your own safety." Simon frowned.

"Sir, I'd like to ask you," she sneered. "who made me unsafe?"

Simon suddenly became dumb, unable to say a word.

It was because of his fault that Joshua was killed. In order to make an apology to Hazel, he locked Ian up at her disposal. But after Ted died inexplicably, there were a lot of people in the organization who didn't obey him. So while Simon was busy subduing the organization, Ian escaped secretly.

Simon used the power of the organization to look for him, but he couldn't find Ian at all.

Because he was worried that Ian might retaliate against Hazel, Simon stayed in Country Z, secretly protecting her.

Nonetheless, Hazel didn't trust him anymore. She even thought that he let Ian go on purpose.

"What, you forgot it so soon?" Hazel sneered. "Do you want me to remind you that I wouldn't have been in danger if you hadn't let your uncle go? Simon, stop trying to pretend that you're kind-hearted!"

These words cut through Simon's heart like a sword.

Seeing her walking away directly, he caught up with her. "I know that no matter how I explain it, you won't believe me. But even if you don't think about yourself, you should think about your body!"

She stopped abruptly, her hand resting on her slightly protruding belly. Her eyes softened, but she insisted, "It's none of your business. I'll take care of my safety myself!"

"Hazel...." Simon tried to continue explaining. He grabbed her by the wrist, but she shook his hand off.

But neither of them knew that someone was hiding in the dark, taking pictures of them staying together!

**Chapter 1259 - 547: Something Was Familiar To Him**



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The candid photos were quickly sent to Madeline's email.

Madeline couldn't wait to pick out some photos in which Simon and Hazel were close before rushing to Ted's room.

Ted had just coaxed Stacy into sleeping. When Madeline came, disgust could not help but rise in his heart. But in the end, he let her in.

Madeline showed Ted all the pictures and said with indignation, "... Uncle Ted, look at these pictures! After Joshua disappeared, Hazel soon forgets about Joshua and is in love with someone else, Joshua's brother!

Although she and Joshua didn't have a wedding, they did get a marriage license, and she is Simon's sister-in-law. But as a sister-in-law, she actually seduces her brother-in-law. How shameless this woman is..."

Ted frowned unhappily.

He had been ready to feign death but happened to run into Stacy and Joshua, who fell into the sea. After he rescued them, his dead heart was invigorated by the presence of Stacy.

Even without the organization, Ted still had a lot of properties. In the end, he took Stacy and Joshua to a manor in Country M.

There happened to be a doctor of great medical skill in Ted's men. Joshua was shot in the head, but thankfully, the bullet which went through his skin bounced out after hitting his skull because of the angle.

So Joshua's injury seemed very serious but was not as fatal. Having said that, the gunshot left Joshua in a coma for a long time because there was congestion in his brain. When Joshua woke up, he forgot everything.

Ted allowed Madeline to stay to accompany Joshua because Ted had to take care of Stacy and was worried that there wasn't a suitable person to take care of Joshua.

However, Ted didn't expect Madeline to be so restless. Even at the manor, she kept an eye on Hazel in Country Z, occasionally snitching on Hazel.

Ted could see through Madeline's little tricks, but he also disliked Hazel.

Although he didn't believe Madeline, it was true that both of his sons liked Hazel. Thinking Joshua and Simon almost fell out over a woman, Ted hated Hazel very much.

What was more, after Joshua's disappearance, Hazel directly ceased to be faithful and fell in love with Simon, which made him feel that she was unfeeling and selfish.

"Enough, put them away," Ted said indifferently. "How's Joshua?"

"... He has completely recovered." Madeline added, regretfully putting away the pictures, "but he still can't remember what happened in the past. The doctor said that when the blood clots on his brain disappear, maybe he can get his memory back. But..."

"But what?" Ted frowned.

"But it's also possible... that he will lose his memory forever. The very thought of it makes me sad for Joshua." Madeline squeezed out a few tears to pretend she felt sad for Joshua, but in fact, she was tremendously happy and hoped that Joshua would never get his memory back.

After being taken to the manor by Ted, she was actually able to stay with Joshua and take care of Joshua. Every time she thought of it, she was extremely happy! Besides, Joshua had lost his memory. Although he was not very close to her, at least he did not reject her as before!

Madeline had been waiting for the day when Joshua would be moved by her tenderness. She didn't believe Joshua would never have feelings for her after staying together for a long time.

"It's not a bad thing for him if he can't get the memory back," Ted whispered. At least, if Joshua remembered what had happened before, Joshua might not get along well with him now.

Ted instructed, "Enough, ask Joshua to come here."

An alarm went off in Madeline's mind. She braced herself against her fear of him and asked bravely, "Uncle Ted... May I ask what you want to talk to Joshua about? Are you going to... ask him to bring Simon back?"

There was a flash of disgust in Ted's eyes about how he wanted to throw this troublesome woman out! But then he furrowed his brows slightly.

Joshua had been completely cured, so Ted did intend to ask Joshua to Country Z to bring Simon back. Ted thought his family had been separated for so long that it was time to reunite.

Nonetheless, he only mentioned it to Joshua and didn't tell anyone. How did Madeline know about it? Could it be that during her time with Joshua, the two of them had developed such a relationship that they could talk about everything?

Ted didn't know he was completely mistaken. Joshua had never told Madeline about that. It was just that Madeline overheard their conversation accidentally. Ted had been so focused on Stacy lately that he didn't notice Madeline's eavesdropping.

Madeline was distraught when she saw Ted keep silent, so she said eagerly, "Uncle Ted if you really want Joshua to go to Country Z, let me go with him! Although he gets better, there should always be a familiar person to take care of him, right? Besides, he has forgotten everything, so it would be too strange for him to return to Country Z. If I'm with him, I can also help him. Most importantly..."

With an evil glint in her eye, she spoke, "Simon would unnecessarily obey Joshua now. If Joshua thinks of something, they might start fighting again for Hazel. What if the two brothers fall out? If I follow Joshua, I can persuade them."

She knew exactly what Ted cared about. The last thing he wanted to see was his sons fighting each other, which was also his weakness. As long as she mentioned it, she was sure Ted would give her permission to follow Joshua.

Ted paled. Madeline had her own intended plan, but what she said was exactly what he was worried about.

"I'll think about it," Ted said in a deep tone.

She didn't get a positive answer, but Madeline knew she had succeeded.

A few days later, Joshua took Madeline to leave the manor and flew straight to Country Z.

Arriving at the Imperial Capital, Joshua felt everything was familiar to him somehow.

"Joshua..."

A faint call suddenly rang in Joshua's ear. He froze, and he felt for some reason that someone was waiting for him.

"Dad!"

Suddenly, a little kid like a piece of dough, who was about three years old, clutched Joshua's leg.

#### **Chapter 1260 - 548: He's Just A Little Kid**

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Joshua lowered his head. When he looked at the adorable handsome boy, a burst of warmth rose in his heart somehow.

"Where did you bastard from? Who is your dad? Why are you yelling at random?!" Madeline broke out into curses despite herself with shock and anger when she saw the kid suddenly appeared.

"Wow—" The little dough, which was scared by her, opened his mouth to cry directly.

Joshua turned his head around and gave Madeline a cold look. "He's just a kid. Miss Carter, please show your upbringing."

Madeline was embarrassed and angry. Joshua actually rebuked her for being ill-bred.

Blame it on the little bastard! Madeline thought maliciously in her heart. But the next moment, she was dumbstruck as she saw Joshua's movements.

Joshua leaned over to gently hold the dough in his arms and tickled him. Looking at the uncle, the little dough kept giggling.

Madeline was jealous and exasperated from the bottom of her heart. She had been accompanying Joshua. Joshua was not at all close to her, but at least he was not close to anyone else, either. However, now he was actually so kind to a strange child!

"Sorry, sorry..." A young, strange woman rushed up hurriedly. She awkwardly took the baby from Joshua's arms. "I'm the baby's mother. I didn't expect he'd run off when I failed to watch him."

When Joshua saw the child open his arms to her, he confirmed that it was the child's mother, so he handed the child over to her.

"Children like to run, be careful," he said in a deep tone.

"I will, I will," the mother repeated and still felt a little frightened. "Thankfully, my baby has met you, a good man. It would be best if you liked children very much. Thank you so much..."

The eyes of Madeline, who were originally indignant, suddenly lit up. Does Joshua like kids? So if she managed to be pregnant with Joshua's baby, wouldn't she be able to own his heart?

Seeing the mother keep expressing her gratitude and walk away with the baby, Madeline hurried to come to Joshua. "Joshua," she said with an obsequious face, "Joshua, I like children, too. They are soft and lovely, like little angels. It would be much fun to have a lovely baby around..."

There was a touch of sarcasm in Joshua's eyes. If Ted hadn't insisted, he wouldn't have allowed such a woman to follow him.

"I never expected Miss Carter to be such a caring person."

Madeline said, "Yeah, I've always been very caring."

"But one child is unlikely enough?" Joshua wore a half-smile.

Madeline was so happy that she almost fainted! What did Joshua mean? Was he implying that he wanted her to be pregnant with many children for him?

"Not enough. Of course, the more children, the better!" she hurried to speak.

"In that case...." There was a flash of amusement in his eyes, and he said to the bodyguard behind him, "You, take Miss Carter to a kindergarten. There should be many children for Miss Carter to show her love."

"What?" Madeline's jaw dropped. Why did Joshua react differently from what she thought?!

She said hastily. "I, I don't mean that...."

"Oh?" Joshua's cold eyes fell lightly on her. "Do you mean that you don't love children or that you don't have love?"

His statement choked her up. She hadn't expected that she would shoot herself in the foot! If she denied it now, wouldn't Joshua think she was very hypocritical?

Eventually, with reluctance, Madeline was sent to the kindergarten by Joshua's bodyguard.

To get rid of Madeline, who was tiresome, Joshua drove to the villa Ted had prepared for him. The villa had been cleaned before he came.

Hardly had Joshua arrived when Ted called.

"Mr. King," Joshua spoke quietly.

"..." Ted had initially intended to say something to him, but 'Mr. King' choked Ted up.

He opened his mouth helplessly. "Joshua, I'm your father."

"Sorry, I can't feel it," Joshua spoke quietly. "If you're talking about parents' desire for controlling children, that's pretty obvious."

"..." Ted was even more helpless.

After Joshua woke up, he forgot everything, but he was unwilling to call Ted's father. Joshua's reason for this was that he didn't feel Ted was his father at all. But when he faced Stacy, Joshua was willing to call her mother gently. This made Ted stifled.

Ted also knew that Joshua gave him a dig now because Joshua was not happy with Madeline following him around.

"I asked Madeline to follow you only because I wanted her to take care of you. I didn't mean to spy on you," Ted explained.

Joshua gave out a sneer, unwilling to say anything else.

Ted was a little guilty somehow. He made the call just because Madeline snitched on Joshua, so no wonder Joshua didn't believe him.

"Well, take care of your own business, and I won't say much," Ted said, "but remember, you go to Country Z only because you must bring your brother back. This must be done as soon as possible. Joshua, don't stay too long in Country Z."

Joshua frowned a little. Instead of saying yes, he calmly asked, "Mr. King, why do you urge me to go home so quickly? Are you afraid of something?"

Ted had a headache. He had always been proud of Joshua's exceptional intelligence, but when that intelligence was used to fight against him, who was his father, it was a little tiresome.

"I've told you your brother misunderstood me... And he now runs the organization. If you spend too much time in Country Z and try to take him on, you're going to suffer."

"Is that why you want me to kidnap him?" Joshua jeered.

"... I don't want you guys to fall out." Ted was helpless and said in a deep voice, "Three days. I'll give you three days. You must bring Simon back!"

Ted believed in Joshua's ability. Three days was enough time for Joshua to bring Simon back. In addition, Joshua wouldn't run into Hazel in such a short time. Even if they did meet, with Madeline around, Ted didn't think Joshua would be able to become entangled with Hazel.

"Got it," Joshua said Indifferently and hung up directly.

Ted was keeping something from him, but whatever it was, he was going to find it out.

**Chapter 1261 - 549: Who Is This Woman?**

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But Joshua planned to do as Ted said first and took Simon back to the manor.

He turned around to look at the assistant Ted had arranged for. He was a gentle, young man about his age named Barry Watson.

"Have you found out Simon King's recent whereabouts?" Joshua asked.

"The email about his whereabouts has been sent to your mailbox," Barry replied.

Joshua nodded. He opened his mailbox and read the email.

The email clearly showed Simon's whereabouts along with photos. It seemed that Simon did not try to hide his own whereabouts, so Joshua's men could find him so quickly.

However, judging from Simon's appearance and actions, Simon seemed sneaky, following someone.

Suddenly, Joshua's eye fell on one of the photos, and his pupils shrank slightly.

In that photo, besides Simon, there was Hazel. Although there was only one side of her face on it, and the outline of her face was not clear, Joshua felt as if his heart thumped for a bit.

"Who is this woman?" He whispered, pointing to the photo.

Barry gave the photo a look. "This seems to be the woman Master Simon is chasing. She's president of the Denmark Group."

"Is that all?" There was a little resentment in his eyes.

"I'm sorry, Master Joshua," said Barry, somewhat terrified. "I only kept an eye on Master Simon. If you need it, I'll Investigate the woman right now...."

It was not that Barry didn't want to say more about Hazel. It was just that he didn't know anything about Hazel.

Although Ted gave Joshua a lot of people, all the people who followed Joshua were not very clear about the situation of Country Z because Ted knew that if Joshua was followed by a person who knew what had happened to Joshua in Country Z, Joshua would probably notice this and find the truth.

Joshua frowned slightly. For some reason, when he saw the photo and heard Simon was chasing her, Joshua felt very upset.

He singled out all the photos and marked them. Hazel could be vaguely seen in the corners of these photos.

"Simon cares about her very much," Joshua said firmly.

"... Yes." Barry added, "Master Simon has been secretly protecting her."

"In that case," Joshua's eyes turned slightly dark, and a wicked smile suddenly played on his lips, "then kidnap her."

"Huh?!" Barry's eyes widened with shock. He didn't stay with Joshua for a long time, but he knew Joshua's personality. This kind of thing like kidnapping innocent people didn't seem like something Joshua would do!

"Why?" Joshua looked at him indifferently. "Since Simon cares so much about her, if we kidnap her, wouldn't we be able to subdue him and make him obey?"

"This..." Barry didn't know what to say.

"Besides, don't tell anyone." Joshua's eyes narrowed. He had a bad feeling that if Ted knew it, Ted would definitely stop him!

"... Aye." Barry had no choice but to agree.

"Where's Madeline?" There was unhappiness on Joshua's face. He didn't care about Madeline, but he was worried that she would do something bad.

"When she got to the kindergarten, she left quietly," Barry answered.

"Find out where she goes," Joshua repressed his disgust. His eyes softened slightly as they rested on Hazel, "and check her whereabouts, too."

Barry agreed immediately.

If Ted knew that Joshua's way of bringing back Simon was to kidnap Hazel, Ted would simply vomit blood. The last thing he would like to see was Joshua and Hazel met each other!

Madeline was sent to the kindergarten, but how could she stay in the kindergarten, behaving herself?

She had already had someone stalking Hazel, so she directly called him to know about Hazel's whereabouts. After that, she secretly left the kindergarten and headed for Hazel's current destination.

Hazel made an appointment with the doctor for antenatal care today. Hardly had she gotten off the car at the hospital gate when she couldn't help getting angry.

Simon was actually still following her. Furthermore, this time he didn't follow her secretly but followed her openly. He even got out of the car and came to her.

"What do you want?!" she asked, trying hard to suppress her anger. If it had not been for the baby in her belly, she would have lost her temper.

"Keep your company in the antenatal care," Simon said lightly. "Besides, your child and I are related by blood..."

She got angry instantly. "Who said you and my child are related by blood?! Enough, Simon King!"

"How can you say so?" Simon said slowly. "Either way, it's my brother's kid, isn't it, sister-in-law?"

Hazel's anger dissipated. Simon's words really made her unable to refute.

"Who is your sister-in-law?" She gritted her teeth.

"Joshua is my biological brother anyway. You and he are married. You're my sister-in-law, of course." He wore a calm expression.

Her eyes dimmed slightly.

He exhaled and patted her on the shoulder. "Enough, Hazel, I've given up chasing you. Could you not show me an angry face anymore? Otherwise, I'd better continue to chase you."

"Get lost." She scolded him crossly and turned around to walk into the hospital.

With a wry smile, he followed her.

He really gave up.

It had been nearly three months since Joshua disappeared. Everyone thought he was dead, but his body was nowhere to be found. Nonetheless, Hazel was the only one who firmly believed Joshua was still alive.

Simon liked Hazel, but seeing that Hazel only had Joshua in her heart, he couldn't chase her anymore even if he wanted. Moreover, he was genuinely guilty of Joshua's death. He knew clearly that Hazel would never completely forgive him for the rest of her life.

So, compared to chasing Hazel, he wanted her to be happy. As long as he could stay with her with the identity of a family member and atone for his fault, he was happy.

After Simon caught up with Hazel, Hazel suddenly stopped.

She turned around in a daze, looking around blankly.

"Hazel, what's the matter?" Simon asked in surprise.

"... I don't know," she replied as she put her hand on her chest, absent-minded. "My heart suddenly missed a beat..."

It felt like... Joshua was nearby. Hazel didn't say this, but for some reason, she had a strange feeling that... he was here.

### **Chapter 1262 - 550: I Know Simon Very Well**

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She was dazed. Would it be just her illusion?

If Joshua did come back, why did he avoid her instead of meeting her?

"Let's go." She lowered her eyes somewhat sadly and turned around to walk into the hospital.

Simon looked around doubtfully but saw nothing suspicious. Finally, he caught up with Hazel.



In the corner of the parking lot, Joshua looked out the window of his car and looked in the direction where Hazel left with deep eyes.

Seeing Simon enter the hospital with Hazel, he felt a little jealousy somehow. Why would he be so unhappy? Joshua frowned slightly.

"Master Joshua, what should we do with this woman?" Outside the window, Barry stood with Madeline, waiting for Joshua's order.

Madeline looked panic-stricken.

Hardly had she followed Hazel to the hospital when Joshua's men caught her! To her surprise, Joshua also came!

Madeline was terrified to see Simon and Hazel not far away. She was really scared that Joshua and Hazel would meet. If they met, there would be no chance for her to be with Joshua! She hadn't even had the chance to drive a wedge between Joshua and Hazel!

Madeline wasn't relieved until Hazel and Simon left.

Seeing Joshua's cold eyes coming straight at her, Madeline shivered instantly. She said quickly, "Josh, Joshua, I follow Simon because I want to help you...."

"Who's the woman next to him?" Joshua asked flatly.

"I, I don't know..." Madeline denied it subconsciously, but the next moment, there was a flash of malice in her eyes, and she said with an innocent expression, "but she and Simon are so close, then she must be Simon's lover."

In a flash, Joshua's eyes went cold.

Madeline's heart missed a beat, but she gritted her teeth to suppress her fear and continued, "Joshua, I'm not talking nonsense. I know Simon very well. He has been a playboy, and the women around him are all his lovers.

What's more, Simon goes to a gynecological hospital with this woman, then she is more than just his lover. That woman's belly is slightly protruding. I think she must be pregnant with Simon's baby. They're probably here for antenatal care!"

Joshua's fingers tightened slightly.

He certainly didn't believe what Madeline said. He didn't like Madeline at all. However, he could also see it seemed that Hazel was really pregnant and that Simon went here with her for antenatal care.

Madeline stole a glance at him. She could not guess what he thought as his face darkened. But she hadn't forgotten why she came here. She came because she was afraid that Joshua and Hazel would become entangled with each other!

After thinking for a while, Madeline spoke again, "Joshua, it's just a woman. You really don't have to fall out with Simon over her. Don't forget that our purpose is to take Simon back. If we raise new issues, Uncle Ted won't be happy!"

Joshua gave her a cool look. "Are you afraid I will be entangled with that woman?"

"No, it isn't..." Madeline stammered instantly, "Joshua, I really did it for you..."

There was a little sarcasm in his eyes. Madeline must know something. The more she kept it from him, the more he wanted to know.

"In that case, let's try to lead Simon away," Joshua said simply.

"Yes, yes, yes!" Madeline nodded happily, "When Simon has led away, we can directly take him away, and then we can go back to Country M!"

"Well said," Joshua gave her an approving look. "In that case, you'll lead Simon away."

"Good... What?!" Madeline's face paled totally when she understood what Joshua meant.

Joshua actually wanted to use her as bait?!

Simon hated her very much. She had suffered a lot when she was imprisoned. If she fell into Simon's hands again, how could she survive?

"I think your idea is great, so I obey you," Joshua said flatly.

Madeline's face was white as a sheet. She almost wanted to slap herself! What the hell was she doing! she actually set herself up?!

Madeline said pitifully, "But, Simon doesn't like me..."

"Isn't that great?" Joshua spoke with a serious face. "So you, the bait, can work."

He really wanted her to act as bait! Madeline was going wild! Why did she think she had been set up by Joshua from beginning to end?

But things had gone to this point. If she refused, Joshua would doubt it.

In addition, Joshua didn't give her any chance to refuse.

"Barry, take her to act as planned," Joshua said quietly.

Madeline was taken away by Barry. Joshua got out of the car and went straight into the hospital.

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Normally, it was her parents or her brother who accompanied Hazel for care. Simon accompanied her today. Although he wore a mask on his face, he hugely surprised Dr. Lynch, who did the antenatal care for Hazel.

After helping Hazel with her antenatal care, she joked despite herself, "Mrs. Denmark, your husband finally is willing to come here with you?"

"He's not my husband," Hazel said coldly.

Dr. Lynch was somewhat embarrassed. She had met Hazel's family. The relationship between Simon and Hazel seemed very awkward. They didn't just like common friends. What was more, there were few male friends who accompanied a woman to do antenatal care.

Dr. Lynch, who thought she had seen through everything, couldn't help persuading, "Have you quarrel? Sir, I don't want to scold you, but your wife is now pregnant and needs a good mood to ensure the baby's healthy growth. Your wife has been here so many times, but how many times have you accompanied her? How can you be such an incompetent husband?"

Dr. Lynch berated Simon with righteous indignation. Simon had no choice but to listen helplessly and nod his head again and again, with an open mind.

Hazel tried to explain, but Dr. Lynch firmly believed Simon was her husband, so she said no more.

Joshua stood outside the doctor's office with slightly sullen eyes. He arrived when Dr. Lynch scolded Simon.

Husband and wife? Is Hazel really pregnant with Simon's baby?

When he saw Hazel didn't deny it, Joshua's eyes went cold, and his heart was full of jealousy. He took out his phone and sent a message.

"Action."