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Camila fell into a pair of strong arms and was wrapped around a warm embrace.

Instinctively, her body shrank. Then, she looked at Isaac and whispered, "What are you doing? You scared me to death."

Isaac shot her a look and replied, "You're the one who's naked. Are you trying to seduce me?"

Camila was rendered speechless.

Did she do it on purpose?

It was all because of him.

She whispered to him in a pleading tone, "Please, I'm tired. And it's already late."

Isaac nodded and took her into the bathroom.

Upon entering, he didn't do anything else to her.

Recently, Camila had lost so much weight, which was why he didn't want to tire her out unnecessarily.

Glenda suddenly came over and knocked on the door. "Sir, Willie is already here. He says he has something urgent to tell you."

Upon hearing this, Camila pushed Isaac and said, "You go out first!"

Isaac slightly squinted his eyes at her. "Do you really want me to leave?"

Camila looked away and pursed her lips.

She wanted to say yes, but she knew she couldn't just say that out loud. So, with a smile, she wrapped her arms around his neck from the bathtub and said, "Then don't go."

The next second, there was another set of knocking.

This time around, it sounded louder and more urgent.

"Sir..."

Isaac stood up and walked out of the bathroom. Then, he took a tissue and wiped the wet spot on his neck.

He opened the door and asked, "What's up?"

As soon as Willie heard Isaac's voice, he ran over and said, "Mr. Johnston, I got something today."

The look on his face was very serious.

"What is it?" Isaac asked.

Willie handed him an envelope.

Upon taking it, Isaac immediately opened it and saw a photo inside. When he saw what the photo contained, his expression changed.

"Come with me," he said as he closed the door and headed straight to the study.

Behind him, Willie followed him.

For more than ten minutes, the two of them stayed in the study before leaving.

When Camila came out, Isaac had already left. She ate something casually and kissed Joe on his cheeks. "Glenda, thank you for taking care of Joe for me," she said with gratitude.

Glenda smiled at her and replied, "I'm only doing my job."

Indeed, Camila was grateful to Glenda from the bottom of her

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heart. Glenda was very responsible and took good care of Joe. Because of her, Camila was able to go to work without any worries.

Before she could leave, she remembered to ask, "Did Isaac leave?"

Glenda nodded. "Willie came here. It seems that they were talking about something urgent."

Camila nodded.

On her way to the hospital, she checked her cell phone and saw the news about Audrey. The result of today's trial would be made public once it was finished.

Was the reason for Willie's visit related to the matter concerning Audrey?

The thing about Audrey was already supposed to be nailed and shut. Nothing unexpected should happen anymore.

The more she thought about it, the more she couldn't figure it out. Once the car stopped and arrived at the hospital, Camila collected her thoughts, got out of the car, and walked in.

When she entered the hospital, Josiah had just left his office and was already finished checking the ward as well as the patient's medical record. When he saw Camila arrive, his face turned serious. "You just got here?"

Camila looked away in guilt. She walked closer to him and tried to explain what had happened. "I didn't mean to be late..."

"A doctor told me that the lounge isn't enough," Josiah cut her off. "Clean up the storage room and use it as the lounge for the time being. Finish this today, and then file the patient's file dated last month."

When Camila heard this, her eyes shot wide open. "But there are so many things in the storage room. I can't possibly move them all by myself—"

"Then you shouldn't have spent so much time sleeping!" Josiah scolded before promptly leaving.

He had always been strict with Camila.

He made her do everything.

Now, he was making her clean up the storage room and file a patient's file. This was definitely a punishment for her.

These tasks were so labor-intensive that it couldn't be finished within a single day.

Despite that, he still made her do it within such a short amount of time.

What a crazy man!

Despite that, Josiah was a great doctor. Camila truly admired him.

That was why she would do whatever he told her to do.

It wasn't until four o'clock in the afternoon that Camila finished moving all the things inside the storage room. She was so tired from working that for the entire day, she only drank two bottles of water and ate nothing.

Hoping that she would be able to go home before midnight, she decided not to take any breaks. Thus, after taking a deep breath, she went straight to filing immediately.

But before she could, Josiah appeared at the door. "I'll ask another doctor to do that. Come with me."

Camila put down her things and followed Josiah.

Although he was serious and strict with her, Josiah still made the effort to teach Camila new things.

Whenever there was a surgery scheduled, he would bring her along. This time, he decided to bring her with him because he had just been assigned to a rare medical case.

Josiah walked into the ward and handed the X-ray to Camila.

"Tell me what you see here," he said coldly.

While studying the X-ray, she heard someone call her name.

"Camila."

When she turned to the direction of the sound, she saw Jaylen standing at the head of the bed.

Her eyes widened in surprise. "What are you doing here?"

"This is my mother," he introduced, pointing at the bed.

It was only then that Camila noticed the woman lying on the bed.

"I heard that Dr. Singh is an expert in heart disease, so I took my mother here," Jaylen explained.

Camila paused for a while before continuing to study the X-ray handed to her.

"The patient is suffering an acute heart failure. She's having palpitations, and her heart valve is severely narrowed. This kind of disease is very dangerous!" Camila answered.

Hearing this, Josiah nodded with satisfaction. Then, he turned to the patient and said, "My plan is to operate on your mother as soon as possible. As we speak, her life is in danger."

"What's the risk of the surgery?" Jaylen asked.

Josiah paused for a while before answering, "It has a 50% success rate."

Obviously, Jaylen wasn't satisfied with the odds. It was like gambling away his mother's life.

"But if she doesn't have the operation, it would be impossible for her to recover," Josiah added calmly. "I can give you some time to think about it. However, I hope you don't take too long."

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"If you want your mother to live, I'm afraid she has no other choice but to undergo surgery."

After saying that, Josiah left with Camila.

Once they were far away from them, Josiah asked her, "What do you think of this operation?"

Quickly, Camila answered, "It's definitely the best choice to perform the operation as soon as possible. Every time the patient's heart becomes unstable, there's a chance that she could die. On top of that, her heart valve is also narrowing. There's a very high risk that her heart can stop beating at any time."

Josiah nodded, looking satisfied. "Good." Then, he asked, "Do you know the patient's family?"

"I do," Camila answered with a nod.

"I see. If he wants to talk to you about it, you have to make sure that he fully understands the situation."

"I will," Camila replied.

As soon as they finished talking, Camila heard someone call her name. When she turned around, she saw Jaylen standing in front of her.

Josiah seemed to have expected this already and said, "Go ahead."

Camila nodded at him before leading Jaylen away.

"Shall we find a place to talk?" Camila asked.

Jaylen agreed without hesitation. After all, there was something he had to ask her.

They decided to head towards the small garden behind the hospital. The environment there was quiet enough for them to have a proper conversation.

"There's something that I'd like to ask you. Please answer honestly," Jaylen began. "Is there a way that my mother can forego the operation?" As soon as he asked this, Jaylen looked straight into Camila's eyes.

"No," Camila answered, shaking her head firmly.

"You see, my father has already passed away, and my mother is the only family that I have left. She's very important to me. Sometimes, I don't want her to discipline me, but deep down, I know she's just doing it for my own sake," Jaylen said. This was the first time he had allowed himself to be vulnerable and shared to other people what was going on in his mind.

Camila empathized with his predicament and said, "But if you want to have a longer time with your mother, your best choice is to have this operation. You must've heard about Josiah's reputation when you came here, right? I think you can trust him."

Jaylen kept staring at Camila's face, as if trying to study her expression.

This made Camila uncomfortable. She looked away and said, "I still have work to do. I'm leaving now."

But before she could stand up and turn around, Jaylen grabbed her wrist. "Can you stay with me for a while?"

Camila was adamant. "I still have work to do."

She tried shaking off his hand, but he wouldn't loosen his grip.

When he saw a man coming towards them not far away, he further tightened his hold on her.

Suddenly, he pulled Camila into his arms!

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For a few seconds, Camila was stunned. She pushed Jaylen away as soon as she snapped back to her senses.

"What's wrong with you?" she scolded, her brows furrowed.

Why did he suddenly hug her?

She was livid!

Who did he think she was?

Meanwhile, the person who was coming over couldn't see Camila's expression since her back was turned.

The only thing he could see was the annoying smile on Jaylen's face.

"I'm sorry," Jaylen apologized, his voice almost sounding like a whisper.

"You'd better agree for your mother to have an operation as soon as possible," Camila said. Her eyes were staring daggers at him.

Then, she stood up and quickly returned to the hospital through the back door.

Had she looked back, she would've seen Isaac's gloomy face.

Jaylen's action was for this exact purpose.

When he caught a glimpse of Isaac, he held on to Camila just to annoy him.

He had never won Isaac in the past, which was why wanted to piss him off.

When he saw his face darkened, Jaylen's mood brightened. He had never smiled like that ever since his mother got sick.

He played ignorant and raised his hands. "Hey, don't misunderstand me. I'm just here because my mother is sick. Camila wanted to comfort me just now. You're not jealous or angry at me, are you?"

Hearing this, Willie gnashed his teeth and was about to throw a punch.

But before he could raise his hand, Isaac shot him a look that made him stop. "Don't trouble yourself just to beat him up."

Willie withdrew his hand and snorted. "Shame on you! You know she's married and has a child, right? Why are you still pestering her? Is that what your mother taught you? How can you seduce a married woman?!"

"What did you just say?" The expression on Jaylen's face turned threatening.

He wouldn't have been so angry had Willie just scolded him.

However, he couldn't stand it whenever someone said something bad about his mother.

"Didn't you hear me? Are you deaf?" Willie didn't back down. He wasn't afraid if an altercation broke between the two of them.

"You're courting death!" Jaylen rushed towards Willie and grabbed his collar.

"Really? Do you really think you can beat me?" Even though Jaylen was right up in front of his face, Willie wasn't afraid. He was confident that he would win if ever the two of them fought.

After all, he was a skilled fighter.

Jaylen gnashed his teeth and threw a punch, landing straight on Willie's jaw.

If he couldn't defend his mother's honor, what kind of man was

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he?!

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Willie didn't expect that punch.

The force knocked him awake. Now, he was ready to fight back.

As the two men tussled, Isaac just stood aside. After a while, he frowned and said, "Willie, there's something important we need to do!"

By that, he meant that they shouldn't be wasting time on such meaningless things.

Hearing this, Willie threw Jaylen to the floor.

Naturally, Jaylen was no match for him.

Standing over Jaylen, Willie warned, "From now on, stay away from Camila! She's Mr. Johnston's woman!"

After saying that, he walked up to Isaac and wiped the blood from the corner of his mouth. "Sorry, I shouldn't have wasted my time with him. I just couldn't stand it!"

Isaac didn't say anything.

After all, Willie was defending him.

Shortly after that, Isaac headed straight towards the back door.

Meanwhile, Camila was the one who made the operation plan. It was a task that was entrusted to her by Josiah himself.


She stared at her computer for a long time and worked hard.

She was so consumed by her work that she didn't notice someone enter the door.

It wasn't until Isaac came to her desk that she noticed his presence. "Why... why are you here?" Camila said, immediately standing up in surprise.

Then, she smiled and added, "Are you here to pick me up from

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work?"

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Isaac went straight to the point. "I want you to go abroad with me."

At first, Isaac was only planning to inform Camila that he had to go out for a while. He didn't plan to take her with him since Joe needed someone to take care of him. Besides, he wouldn't be away for too long. However, when he saw Jaylen embracing her, he changed his mind. On top of that, Jaylen's mother was receiving treatment in this hospital. That meant Camila and Jaylen would be interacting more often.

On the other hand, Camila hasn't worked for over a year and had just come here a few days ago. Moreover, the department she was in was currently short-staffed, which was why she couldn't ask for any time off.

"Why? Is there something important?" she asked.

She didn't want to take time off from work.

"I'm very busy right now, and I might not be able to ask for a leave. I just got hired here. I don't want to leave a bad impression to my superior—"

"I already told you that I can give you any position you want in any hospital," Isaac cut her off.

Hearing this, Camila gritted her teeth. It pissed her off whenever Isaac acted like he could get anything he wanted.

"Isaac, I have a dream of my own. Not everything can be measured by money and power. Is that the only thing that matters in your world?"

Isaac stared at her for a few seconds before turning away, saying nothing.

Willie glanced at her and thought that she was being ungrateful.

Camila was baffled. Was there something wrong with what she said?

Without thinking, she ran after him. She didn't want to have a quarrel with Isaac.

"Camila." She heard Josiah's voice call her from behind. "Have you finished the operation plan that I asked you to do?"

For a moment, Camila was stuck in a dilemma.

Oblivious to this, Josiah continued, "The patient has agreed to have an operation. Call and see if there's any available operating room right now."

As Isaac's figure began to recede in the distance, Camila reminded herself to explain everything to him later.

Then, she turned to Josiah and nodded. "Okay. I'll ask."

As soon as she learned that there was an operating room available, she arranged it immediately.

Once it was ready, Josiah asked for Jaylen's mother to be sent to the operating room.

When Camila approached him, Jaylen grabbed her arm and pulled her close. "This operation must be successful."

"Please trust Dr. Singh," Camila assured him.

Josiah would be the one performing the operation, and she was absolutely confident with his skills.

"What's wrong with your face?" Camila asked.

The last time she saw Jaylen, he was fine. Why was there a bruise on his face all of a sudden?

"Ah, well, I was bitten by a dog," Jaylen answered, averting his eyes away from her.

Camila was baffled by his response.

It was so obvious that someone had hit him. How would a dog even bite him?

What a lame excuse!

Even though Camila clearly didn't believe Jaylen, she had no more time to waste and pry further. "I have to go in."

She disinfected herself before walking into the operating room. Once everyone was ready, the anesthesiologist injected the anesthetic to the patient, causing her to become unconscious.

Camila assisted in making the pre-operation preparations.

After checking all the equipment, the operation began.

However, shortly after that, Josiah's hand began to tremble. It wasn't because he was having performance issues, but rather, he was suffering from a special kind of tremor. This had been actively treated recently, but this was the first time that he suffered a relapse during the middle of operation.

Noticing this, a look of worry flashed in Camila's eyes. "Dr. Singh, are you okay?"

Josiah turned to Camila and said, "You should do this."

Camila's eyes shot wide open. "Me?!"

"Yes, you," Josiah repeated. "Don't be afraid. I'm with you."

Camila nodded. This was a rare opportunity for her to apply her skills. "I will try my best," she replied calmly.

Since Josiah was there, she was confident.

So, she took Josiah's place and stood at the performer position.

After taking a deep breath, she focused her attention on the task ahead. Even though she had performed an operation before, it wasn't a heart operation.

As the operation went on, Josiah didn't utter a single word. He didn't need to, because the surgery was going well.

Once the operation was a success, the patient was sent to the

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ICU.

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Impressed by Camila's skills, Josiah nodded in satisfaction and praised, "You're a talented doctor."

Camila felt flattered by this and replied, "Well, you taught me a lot."

Josiah flashed a smile and said nothing else.

In his heart, he now regarded Camila to be his successor.

If his tremor wouldn't be cured, he might not be able to practice surgery anymore in the future.

This time, Camila managed to handle the situation.

However, he was unsure what would happen next time.

"Can I get off work earlier today?" Camila asked Josiah. She wanted to go back early today so that she could see Isaac and explain it to him.

Josiah said readily, "Yes, but just this once."

Camila's face lit up. "Thank you!"

She packed up and got off work.

When she got in the car, her phone suddenly rang.

As soon as she answered the call, she heard Aldrin's voice saying, "Camila, I have some clues about the thing that you've asked me to investigate."

