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The next morning, Zachary woke up early, feeling something fluffy against his chin. He opened his eyes in confusion and saw Yasmin, sleeping in his arms, and her head was tucked under his chin. It looked like Yasmin had considered Zachary's arms as her cozy nest. In fact, they were sleeping facing each other. She nestled in his arms with one of her arms wrapped around his waist, while their legs were entangled with each other.

She slept in a most inadequate posture. Perhaps, she thought his arm as her pillow. But he still liked it. Zachary smiled, looking at her with adoration in his eyes. In fact, he felt satisfied embraced by her. Since he'd figured out his feelings for Yasmin last night, he seemed to enjoy his good night's sleep. Now that the two of them were in the same room and sleeping on the same bed, he felt peaceful in his heart.

As his sleepiness vanished, he regarded Yasmin from head to toe while she slept peacefully. Since she was lying on her side, he could only see the half of her face, which was again covered by her silky hair. Her smooth and delicate skin, long and curly eyelashes, beautiful red lips... everything was enchanting. After watching her cautiously for a long time, Zachary heaved a deep sigh. She was the most beautiful and attractive woman he had seen in his life. Staring at the beauty in his arms, his desire was getting more and more intense.

In order to fulfill his great plan of pursuing her to become his wife, he needed to proceed step by step. Zachary couldn't act rashly. He was afraid that if he rushed things, it might scare her away. Since his lust was overpowering his body and mind, he gently moved away from her. He was about to look away, but Yasmin's 'disheveled' body made it impossible for him to take his eyes off her. He inhaled sharply as he took in her beauty.

Although Yasmin wore a normal pajama set of vest and casual shorts, Zachary could almost see her plump breast covered by a pink bra properly. She tossed and turned in her careless sleeping position.

Her slender and white legs were delicate and exposed. Looking at her sleeping comfortably, Zachary felt helpless while holding back his urge to kiss her. It was the first time that he had such a strong desire for a woman, and he really wanted her. Although Yasmin behaved friendly with him, she wasn't an

easy girl to persuade. Now, they were just ordinary friends, but if he acted rash and scared her away, the loss would outweigh the gain.

After weighing the pros and cons, Zachary suppressed his overwhelming urges, got out of the bed and ran into the bathroom to take a cold shower.

About twenty minutes later, Yasmin woke up. She opened her eyes and saw the untidy room. After recalling what happened yesterday, she didn't find Zachary beside her, instead the sound of running water came from the bathroom. So, Zachary was taking the shower. Realizing that, Yasmin lifted the quilt and looked at her clothes. They were all intact. It seemed that Zachary behaved himself very well. But on second thought, she remembered that Zachary wasn't interested in women. So, it made sense why Zachary didn't do anything to her. Otherwise, she would have doubted her own charm.

She didn't really mean that she'd have liked if something happened between them. But he didn't even react while sleeping beside her in the same bed. As a beautiful woman, she couldn't help but doubt whether her charm had weakened to not invoke a man's desire. Perhaps, it was because this man had no interest in women. Yasmin took out a comb to comb her hair while thinking about Zachary.

A while later, Zachary came out of the bathroom. Yasmin raised her head to look at him when she heard the noise. Zachary stood there in all his glory with only a towel wrapped around his waist. Looking at his exposed upper body, Yasmin forgot to blink for a few seconds. Several crystal-clear water droplets rolled down his bare chest making it impossible for her to think straight. His abdominal muscles were perfectly defined and he wore a sexy smile on his handsome face. His figure was a perfect inverted triangle and it was too damn amazing. If this sexy man was interested in women, she'd have already pounced on him.

In order to restrain his desire, Zachary took a cold shower for more than half an hour. He went to the bathroom in such a hurry that he forgot to bring any clothes with him. Additionally, he carelessly wetted the clothes he'd been wearing before. So, he could only come out wrapping his private parts with a bath towel provided by the hotel.

Zachary had planned to put on his clothes while Yasmin was still asleep. He didn't expect that she'd already been up. However, meeting her fascinated

eyes as soon as he came out, Zachary felt relieved. It seemed that this silly girl was quite interested in him.

“Idiot, you are drooling.” Zachary couldn’t help but smile evilly and teased Yasmin, who was obviously infatuated by his good looks.

Yasmin blinked, averted her gaze while wiping her mouth subconsciously. Her face flushed in embarrassment. But soon she realized there was no saliva and he was actually playing with her. Yasmin came to her senses at once. She glared at him whose smile widened seeing her getting heated.

In fact, he was amused by her reaction. He went towards the bed with a big smile, then took out his clothes from his backpack and began putting them on.

Now that his distracting bare chest was covered, Yasmin realized how annoying this guy actually was. He could not stop making fun of her for at least once. She muttered, “Yes, you have a good figure, but it’s nothing compared to what I’ve seen before.” As she said that her gaze dropped on the lower part of his body, which seemed to mess with her imagination.

Zachary’s good mood was ruined after what he heard from Yasmin. ‘Did she mean about other men’s bodies? Did she really mean they were better than mine?’ His face darkened instantly.

Ignoring Zachary’s serious expression, Yasmin continued, “But as a homosexual, you’re well-built.” Judging from Zachary’s delicate face, Yasmin had thought that he was the bottom. But after seeing his muscular body, she changed her original idea. According to her experience of observing the male models’ figure in fashion magazines occasionally, Zachary’s figure was no worse than those models’. She had always been straightforward, so she blurted out her opinion without thinking much.

Hearing that, Zachary’s face became darker. ‘So, she thought I was gay?’ He looked at Yasmin’s face with clenched jaws. She had really pissed him off by her comment. If she was suspecting his sexuality, then she should also face the consequences!

By then, Zachary had already put on his shirt. He wanted to go to the bathroom to put on his pants, but now he suddenly wanted to tease Yasmin. If she thought he was a homosexual, then he would change his clothes in front of her. Because she’d think he was doing it without having any feelings for her. She was such a fool!

A smirk appeared at the corners of his mouth as he walked over to Yasmin's side. "Idiot, since you're doubting my size, I've decided to show it to you." As he spoke, he pretended to pull off the bath towel.

Yasmin sensed something strange in Zachary's smile. Obviously, she lied. She had never seen any man's naked body before. Seeing the creepy action of Zachary, Yasmin jumped up from the bed reflexively and quickly turned her back to him. "Don't mess around. I'm sorry. I shouldn't have said that." She shouldn't have joked about the dignity of a man. Although this smiling man was gay, he was also a man. One should never offend a man's self-esteem.

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Hearing these words coming from this shameless man, Yasmin was left at such a loss for words. However, she realized that she couldn't say or do anything that would irritate Zachary right now, because it would only make things difficult for her. Thinking it would be better to just suck up to him, she said, "Sir, you are the best! Let me just brush my teeth and freshen up, and then we can go." Upon saying this, she quickly ran into the bathroom.

Looking at Yasmin's receding figure, Zachary's anger disappeared almost instantly. Truth be told, Zachary was only teasing Yasmin and wasn't actually planning to take off the bath towel. He never would've expected that she would react the way she did!

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Letting out a soft sigh, Yasmin really regretted what had happened in the hotel earlier. At first, she really wanted to fight back. Unfortunately, she ended up getting scared off by Zachary's shamelessness. Thinking of how she ran away with her tail between her legs and the complacent smile on his face, she couldn't help feeling depressed. At that moment, she should have pulled

herself together and said, "Go ahead and take it off. I won't mind taking a look at it." The more she thought of it, the more furious Yasmin became. Because of this, she wasn't in the mood to talk to the scheming man next to her at all.

Noticing the displeasure written all over Yasmin's face, Zachary knew that he couldn't provoke her at this point. Otherwise, he would only make this little woman think more badly of him. In any case, Zachary hadn't explicitly said to her that he wasn't gay. Now, he was waiting for an opportunity to clear up the misunderstanding. What was more, he would meet Yasmin's parents soon. So, he was also thinking about how he should behave himself in front of his future parents-in-law.

Both of them seemed to be lost in thought, which made the silence last even longer than it should. Finally, Yasmin broke the silence and said, "Hey, we should decide what we're going to talk about in advance. We can't risk getting our parents suspicious in case we make a slip-up."

"Okay. Let me know what you have in mind. I will remember it." After taking a glance at Yasmin out of the corner of his eye, Zachary held the steering wheel and looked straight ahead, waiting to hear about their made-up love story.

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At this point, while Zachary was driving, he went along with Yasmin's plan to make a simulation of meeting their parents. With this, the two of them started talking more and more.

Finally, Yasmin felt a bit confident about their plan, and she said, "Buddy, let's pray that everything goes well!"

Hearing this, the corners of Zachary's mouth twitched a little. "When did I become your buddy?"

"That night, you told me that we're going to be best buddies in the future." Yasmin said these words while looking at Zachary as if she was looking at an idiot. Then, she went on and added, "Or would you prefer that I call you bro instead?"

Hearing her innocent response, Zachary helplessly covered his face with his hand and thought, 'I'm just shooting myself in the foot.' The serious expression on her face rendered him speechless.

However, before Zachary could gather his thoughts and give her a response, Yasmin suddenly said, "Can you drive slowly? I'm going to take a nap." Upon saying this, she leaned back against the passenger seat, closed her eyes, and got some rest. Yasmin really couldn't understand why Zachary was getting so worked up because of the word 'buddy'. He wore a deep frown and hadn't said anything for a while. The silence made Yasmin feel a bit sleepy. In truth, she had actually always been quite lazy and wasn't really the type who was good at thinking. So, she went ahead and closed her eyes as soon as she was done talking.

Looking at Yasmin, who had already closed her eyes and was quietly leaning against the seat, Zachary felt so helpless. 'This girl is so impatient. She could've at least waited for my response. After all, this involves the future of our relationship. If this dense girl keeps thinking of me as a buddy, I won't stand a chance at all.'

Yasmin took a nap while Zachary was driving. As a result, silence filled the air inside the car.

About two hours later, Yasmin was awakened by the touch of someone's hand on her face. She opened her eyes and saw that Zachary was touching her face. Seeing that she was finally awake, Zachary pinched her cheek even harder, and the smile on his face became even brighter.

Truth be told, she felt so good to see such a handsome man when she opened her eyes. However, she thought it would've been much better if he wasn't pinching her cheeks while wearing a devious smile on his face. Yasmin stretched out her hand and tried to shake off his hand. Then, she angrily said, "Zachary, get your hand off me!"

At this point, Yasmin pouted and her white tender face turned red. Zachary, on the other hand, actually seemed quite pleased with what he did. This girl was sleeping soundly and wouldn't wake up to his gentle call. When he saw her smooth face up close, he just couldn't help himself from pinching her cheek to tease her a little, but he enjoyed touching her soft, smooth cheeks so much that he just couldn't stop...

Zachary withdrew his hand with a big smile on his face. Then, he said, "Idiot, we're already in your neighborhood. Do you want me to go there with you now?" The neighborhood was located near the center of the city. It covered a large area and had a small number of residents. There were vintage and imposing buildings everywhere. It was the central residence of senior officials assigned by the government.

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It was only at that moment that Yasmin noticed that the car had been parked and the surroundings outside the window seemed familiar. However, since she just woke up and wasn't really a morning person, she said crossly, "No, thanks. I'll just see what they're going to do tomorrow." She grabbed her backpack, opened the door, and got out of the car. Then, she turned around and waved at Zachary before entering the community.

'This idiot has a bad temper. But, people say that you should endure everything for the one you love. So, I guess I don't really mind,' Zachary

thought to himself and sighed, looking like a saint in love. It wasn't until Yasmin's figure was completely out of sight that Zachary started the car and drove back home.

When Yasmin entered the house, she saw her parents watching TV on the sofa, leaning so close to each other. The second they heard the door open, the two turned to look at her at the same time. Zara was the first to react and quickly walked to the door. "You're back. Come in!" After saying this, Zara excitedly pulled her daughter's hand and looked around the door, but the expectant look on her face disappeared almost instantly. At that moment, she was raring to ask her, 'Where is my son-in-law?' However, when she saw the look on Yasmin's face, she decided not to say anything, otherwise she would only reveal what she was really thinking.

Yasmin knew full well that her mother wouldn't usually be this excited to welcome her into the house. Judging from the expression on her mother's face, Yasmin knew that her mother wanted to pull her in as soon as possible only because she thought that her future son-in-law was with her. At that moment, Yasmin couldn't help but wonder whether she really was Zara's biological daughter or not.

As soon as Yasmin saw that her father had stood up to welcome her, she rushed into his arms with an aggrieved expression on her face, trying to find comfort from him. However, her mother was so quick to react and threw herself into her father's loving arms before she could do so. Then, she heard her mother say in an indifferent tone, "Eh, eh, my husband's embrace only belongs to me. If you want someone to hold you, you should go find yourself a husband."

Although she was already used to being in this kind of situation, her mother's cruel words made her feel even more depressed. It was unfortunate that she had a mother who always treated her so differently. Yasmin helplessly looked at her father, Adriel Olson, but her father, who had always been good to her, seemed to agree with what her mother said this time. Right now, he looked at his wife dotingly and then glanced at his daughter. "Your mother is right. You should find someone to marry as soon as possible. After all, you're not getting any younger." After saying this, he looked at his wife and lovingly nodded his head in agreement as a sign of praise.

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Yasmin was used to seeing her parents being intimate often. She knew that pretending to be pitiful couldn't change her low status in this family. So, she had learned to ignore her parents' close proximity who were so in love with each other. This time also, it didn't differ. She just picked up her luggage and went to her room quietly.

Sometimes she really didn't understand how her parents made a perfect couple where her father, Adriel, was the most serious person she had seen and her mother was the liveliest member of her family. The two of them had been an affectionate couple for decades. She had heard that her mother Zara was the most beautiful girl in her school. Of course, not that stereotypical cold-hearted beauty kind. She chased after this popular, talented but indifferent man Adriel in the university for several years, and finally got him. Although their university love story was really interesting, they had to experience a lot of hardships in the latter years. Even though they were separated from each other because of work and encountered several conflicts in their lives, their feelings for each other never faded away. On the contrary, they loved each other more and more as time went by. Time didn't change Zara's lively and optimistic character.

Adriel was the City Mayor while Zara worked as the director in the city hospital. They were a busy couple who worked hard every day. Even though the two of them didn't have much time to spend with each other, they lived a fulfilling life. Over the past few years, Zara had been training a successor to her. Except for some major operations that she had to perform in person, she didn't have much works to do. So, in her spare time, she thought about her daughter, Yasmin and how she should get married soon. It didn't matter if Yasmin was reluctant, she had to get married because Zara wanted her to. According to Zara, when a woman was in her young age, she had more and better choices for her husband. Zara talked about this with Adriel, who always spoiled his wife unconditionally anyway. This time also, he agreed with her at once. Therefore, in the past two years, although Yasmin was working in another city, she had been suffering every now and then with the blind dates arranged by her mother.

To be honest, as Yasmin grew older, she envied the relationship between her parents more. For so many years, she had been waiting for the right person to appear in her life, the one who would love her the most. When she hit her puberty, there came a person in her life. By his appearance, he resembled her father so much. So, she actually took a liking in him. But, before she had time to confess her love to him, he disappeared all of a sudden. Then Zachary

came. He could have been a potential partner. He was good in all aspects and she actually liked him. Unfortunately, he was gay.

After unpacking her bags, Yasmin was called out by Zara to have lunch. Whenever she came home, they always talked about various subjects together during lunch hours.

At the dining table, while eating the delicious food cooked by Zara, Yasmin had to listen quietly about the advices Zara gave for the upcoming meeting with Zachary's parents. She kept on talking about the dos and don'ts while Adriel nodded and agreed with his wife from time to time.

At one point, Zara felt that her daughter was not listening to her. So, she asked Yasmin to repeat what she just said. In order not to let her mother pestering her anymore, Yasmin said concisely, "Tonight, our family and the Estrada family are going to the Starry Restaurant to have dinner together. I should dress up, behave politely, and act like a lady. Right?"

"Well, that's it. You can take a nap after lunch. I'll take care of your clothes after you get up." Zara looked distastefully at the casual clothes that Yasmin was wearing. She felt the need to intervene in picking up an elegant dress for her daughter. "You must dress up well!"

"I will Mom! Can I eat in peace now? Besides, Dad, control your wife. She is too wordy." Yasmin had no choice but to plead with her nagging mother and serious father.

"You bad girl, you always think I'm annoying. After you get married in the future, I won't have chance to annoy you anymore," Zara said sadly.

Yasmin always fell into the trap of Zara's emotional blackmailing. "Well, mother, I won't get married then, so you can keep nagging me. Okay?"

Hearing her daughter's words, Zara immediately showed her true colors and the feigned sadness she had worked hard to cultivate disappeared in a moment. "Don't even think about it. Marry a good man as soon as possible, so that I'll be at peace." Although no parents wanted their daughter to leave, they had to get her married one day. Zara wanted to marry Yasmin to someone whom they were acquainted with already, so that she'd miss her less in the future. Therefore, in Zara's eyes, Zachary was the best son-in-law.

Yasmin was used to the quick change in Zara's attitude. The best way was to ignore her, so Yasmin concentrated on eating quietly after that.

After lunch, the whole family went to take some rest. Around three o'clock in the afternoon, Zara came and pulled Yasmin up from her sleep. Then Zara took out a few sets of clothes that she had chosen and asked Yasmin to try them on one by one.

Yasmin continued fidgeting around in a daze. After more than half an hour, Zara finally confirmed which dress Yasmin should wear tonight, and then proceeded to prepare Yasmin's hair and makeup. Zara had the basic knowledge in makeup. When she was young, she used to be an amateur makeup artist herself. So, it wasn't a big deal for her to give Yasmin a beautiful makeover. Ignoring Yasmin's skeptical gaze, Zara smiled proudly. Her genes had contributed a lot to her daughter's beautiful appearance.

After sitting in front of the mirror and doing makeup for a long time, Yasmin was finally relieved. With her mother's non-stop chatter, Yasmin no longer felt sleepy. She noticed Zara's complacent expression before looking at herself in the mirror. Tonight, she was wearing light makeup and her bangs were tied behind her head. The rest of her soft curly hair was draped over her shoulders. Her delicate face looked exquisite. Overall, she looked very elegant in this strapless floral dress.

"Mom, good job!" Yasmin turned back and looked at Zara, praising her mother sincerely. Zara nodded satisfactorily. Well, she looked good and was happy about it. But it certainly didn't mean she was ready for marriage. In fact, Yasmin was depressed thinking about it.

"Mom, you should also dress up now. Don't be a disgrace to our family." Yasmin arose from her seat and pushed Zara out of the bedroom and closed the door.

"You bad girl, watch your mouth. How can I disgrace our family? It's all my credit that you are looking beautiful now!" Zara protested standing outside the door, but there was no response from Yasmin. So, she shook her head then went to her own bedroom to dress up.

The two families had agreed to meet at six o'clock in the evening at a well-known restaurant in the Olkfield. When Yasmin and her parents arrived at the restaurant, Zachary and his family had already been waiting for them in a private cabin.

When Zachary saw his future parents in law entering the cabin, he immediately stood up and greeted them politely. He even pulled out chairs for them to sit down like a gentleman that he was.

Yasmin followed her parents. After her parents sat down, she greeted Zachary's parents with a polite smile, "Hello, Mr. Estrada, Mrs. Estrada."

"Yasmin, you look so beautiful! Don't be nervous. Please take a seat," Juliet said to Yasmin in a gentle voice. Yasmin realized that Juliet looked more beautiful than the photo and behaved more elegantly than she had expected. After welcoming Yasmin, Juliet winked at Zara to show her approval, which was immediately got reciprocated by Zara the same way.

Meanwhile, Zachary was slightly distracted seeing Yasmin dressed like this. The few times they had met in the past, he had always seen her dress casually. But tonight, she looked elegant and dignified, as if she had changed into a completely different person.

The simple but classy strapless floral dress that she wore, was highlighting her fair skin. Her tall and slender figure looked so graceful with her long hair and bright smile.

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It wasn't until Yasmin sat down so gracefully next to him that Zachary came back to his senses. The two were sitting next to each other, as arranged by Zachary's mother, Juliet. The reason was quite obvious. Noticing that Zachary had been lost in thought for a while, the smile on Juliet's face became even brighter. 'Good, the two of them look perfect together.' Thinking of this, she gently nudged her husband with her arm.

"Now that everyone's here, let's have dinner. Please help yourself." After receiving a hint from his wife, Callum said this with a smile.

Zara quickly answered, "Mr. Estrada, we're going to be a family from now on. There's no need for us to be so formal with each other."

Yasmin, who was quietly sitting aside, was left at such a loss for words as she listened to such an intimate conversation between her and Zachary's parents. 'Why do I feel like these people aren't meeting for the first time and are just

having a typical family dinner instead? It looks like this marriage has been decided without asking for my opinion...’ Although Yasmin had some issues with what was happening, she didn’t let it show on her face. She and Zachary were working together. It was good that their parents were so into it. At the very least, they wouldn’t have to go on those tiresome blind dates anymore in the future.

Following her mother’s instructions, Yasmin politely said to the elders, “Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Estrada.” Yasmin was as cheerful and lively as her mother. However, she grew up in a family of high-ranking officials and had been educated to be elegant and dignified from a very young age, so it was quite easy for her to be polite as her mother asked. That being said, she couldn’t help feeling a little uncomfortable deep inside, since it was easier to just be herself.

Zachary was somewhat surprised when he saw Yasmin acting this way. ‘It turns out that this girl is actually a two-faced woman. But, since my parents have taken a liking to her, we’re going to have a promising future.’

The two families got to know a little more about each other at the dinner table, and from time to time, the parents would ask the young couple how they got along with each other. There was such a pleasant atmosphere in the room. During this period, both Zachary and Yasmin behaved gracefully and politely, and they also seemed to be so affectionate with each other, which made their parents, who had been looking forward to this moment for so long, very happy.

After dinner, the parents came up with an excuse to go out, saying that they were going to have a get-together so that Zachary and Yasmin could have some time for themselves. Moreover, they asked their children to enjoy their ‘alone time’.

In the end, the two people who had been unfairly left behind had no choice but to spend their so-called ‘alone time’. It was already seven o’clock in the evening when they came out of the restaurant. Zachary had everything carefully planned out for this date. According to what couples usually do on a date, he took Yasmin to see a movie. Yasmin was the one who chose which one they were going to watch. It was a horror movie that had become a box office hit recently.

At this point, Zachary had already gotten used to Yasmin's tendency of ruining the 'date' atmosphere. Even though she was dressed like a fine lady, she was still the same careless girl. In the cinema, Yasmin was casually eating the snacks in her hands while watching the horrible scene with great enjoyment. This helped Zachary get a deeper understanding of her.

Since Yasmin seemed to be so engrossed in the film, Zachary had no choice but to switch between watching her and watching the movie from time to time. He thought to himself, 'I honestly thought that Yasmin chose the horror film because she came here with someone. I thought for sure she would cling to me in fear during scary scenes and then we can have some intimate contact.'

Unfortunately, reality was a little too cruel. Looking at Yasmin, Zachary felt as if she was just watching a comedy. This seriously left him speechless.

In Ariosia, after having dinner and buying clothes with her elder brother Mike on Friday, Ashley stayed at home the next whole day. She felt bored, so she decided to go to the Guzman Group with Mike.

In the CEO's office of the Guzman Group, Mike lowered his head to review the documents. Sitting on a chair not far away, Ashley looked at the company's financial, operational, and other internal documents. Her brothers asked her to read these things. Although Ashley was training in a different company and Mike had already taken over the Guzman Group, he thought that it was more than enough for his sister to become a senior executive in the Guzman Group given her talent. For this reason, he wanted her to be familiarized with his company's business as soon as possible.

The siblings spent most of their time in the office. They went to a restaurant nearby during lunchtime. In the afternoon, Mike had to leave for a while to take care of some business, so he asked Ashley to go home first.

After leaving the Guzman Group, Ashley stopped by the food market before heading home. There was a rule in the Guzman family, the servants in the family had the day off on Sundays, and in turn, the two of them had to take shifts every Sunday. According to their parents, the point of this was to train the two of them to become independent. Normally, when their parents were at home, Ashley and Mike would go home for dinner during holidays. Every Sunday, the siblings would get the chance to put their cooking skills on display. The two of them would take turns cooking for the whole family.

Although this unwritten rule was a bit unthinkable for rich families, the Guzman family had always relied on their own efforts and ability to make a fortune, and they made it a point to follow the concept of being prepared for the worst even in times of peace. Under the guidance of their parents, Ashley and her brother didn't dare to complain. Although the two of them were a little wet behind the ears at the beginning, both of them could now cook with such ease.

Today was a weekend. Since Ashley didn't have anything much to do, she decided to buy a few things at the market and cook something for dinner. "If you don't have any plans for tonight, go home for dinner. I'll cook." Ashley texted her brother.

After that, she hailed a taxi to the large-scale food market of the city.

It took Ashley about 20 minutes to finish her shopping and buy some simple ingredients including soup materials. When she was about to exit the market, she heard the sound of someone falling down. When she looked around, she found that an old man had fallen down. The loud noise attracted the attention of a lot of passers-by.

The old man tried to get up by himself. However, he seemed to be having some difficulty getting back on his feet all by himself and wasn't making any progress. Seeing this, Ashley quickly walked up to him and helped him up.

This old man was about seventy years old, but he seemed stronger than most old people. In fact, his strong features seemed a little intimidating. Ashley guessed that the old man might have accidentally slipped down because of the slippery floor in the food market.

The old man thanked her sincerely, "Thank you, young lady!" Finally, the old man stood up with Ashley assisting him. But, when he tried to walk, he felt a sharp pain and couldn't help but scream.

Seeing this, Ashley didn't let go of the old man's arm and gently asked, "Sir, would you like me to accompany you to the hospital?"

Hearing this, a look of astonishment flashed through the old man's eyes. With confusion written all over his face, he looked at Ashley and gratefully said, "Young lady, thank you for your kindness. But, if you have something to do, I don't want to bother you."

“It won’t be good for you to go to the hospital by yourself. Let me accompany you. I’m free anyway,” Ashley sincerely insisted.

The old man simply nodded his head with a gentle smile, and a hint of satisfaction flashed across his eyes.

Sure enough, it didn’t take too long for him to encounter her. Seeing such a warm-hearted Ashley, Leonard nodded with satisfaction.

Indeed, the old man who fell down was Joseph’s grandfather, Leonard. The maid happened to ask for a leave today, so Leonard went to the food market to buy some food, planning to personally cook dinner for his grandson. Apart from that, he wanted to know whether Joseph had got a girlfriend. When Leonard found out that Joseph, who rarely ever paid attention to women, had special feelings for that beautiful woman, he had been interested in her ever since. He wanted to know more about the woman that his grandson fancied or possibly have someone investigate her. Much to his surprise, he happened to meet his future ‘daughter-in-law’ in the food market.

## **Perfect Match: Irresistible Desire For You – Chapter 35 - Tips**

Ashley was good-looking and was quite tall. Even if she was only wearing simple clothes, she still stood out. And an exceptional beauty such as her would surely attract the attention of many people in the food market. Because of this, Leonard noticed Ashley almost instantly. And when he finally got the chance to see her up close, he was a little surprised. When he met her for the first time, he recognized Ashley as the daughter of a rich family. It was rare for such a lady from a well-off family to be seen in the food market. What was more, she was doing the groceries by herself and was even so good at bargaining with the stall keepers, which Leonard found so surprising. ‘No wonder my grandson likes her. He has a good eye.’

While he was doing his groceries, Leonard secretly observed Ashley, who was nearby, and wanted to get close to her. However, he knew that if he randomly approached her at the food market, she might find it weird or get frightened, which could make her want to avoid him. When he saw that Ashley was done with her groceries and was about to leave the market, Leonard suddenly came up with an idea and pretended to fall near the exit in a hurry, hoping to make her notice him so he could achieve his goal. In the end, everything went according to his plan. Ashley helped him up without

hesitation. Unfortunately, due to his sudden movement earlier, Leonard ended up spraining his ankle for real when he fell.

'I'm too old to get hurt like this. I didn't take it seriously when I was young,' Leonard regretfully thought to himself when he felt the pain. However, after Ashley extended a helping hand and offered to accompany him to the hospital, Leonard felt satisfied both physically and emotionally. One could say that it was indeed all worth it in the end.

Leonard politely turned down her offer, but Ashley firmly insisted on taking him to the hospital. 'She really is a good person. She is beautiful but not arrogant, and she is kind and thoughtful. It's not often that you find such a kind woman.' Leonard looked intently at Ashley, feeling so pleased with her.

The two walked out of the market with Ashley assisting Leonard, then they took a taxi to the nearby hospital.

On their way to the hospital, Leonard took the opportunity to ask Ashley a few simple questions, such as "What is your name? How old are you? Are you married? How many people are there in your family?" And so on.

At first, Ashley answered each of the questions honestly. But, as Leonard started asking more and more personal questions, she couldn't help feeling a little confused. 'Is he checking if I'm eligible for permanent residency or something? Judging from the bold look on his face, he doesn't seem to be a bad person, but why is he asking all of these questions?' Feeling a bit doubtful and worried, Ashley didn't give a straight answer to some of his questions.

Noticing that she seemed to be getting a bit hesitant to answer, Leonard realized that he accidentally got so into it that he unwittingly ended up asking some personal questions. In any case, Leonard still found out a few things about her. Her name is Ashley Guzman, she's 24 years old and unmarried. She's living with her brother and parents, and she is working in a big company right now.

Leonard apologized sincerely, "Please forgive my rudeness. I've been asking too much. Perhaps it's because I don't really get to talk to others that much. It's just that you're so warmhearted that I got a little too excited." When he saw that Ashley seemed to have lightened up a bit, Leonard knew that his ploy to

get her sympathy worked. So, he went on and said, "Can I call you Ashley? I hope you won't mind this old man's ramblings."

Hearing the old man in front of her say these words with a sad expression on his face, Ashley was caught off guard, and she smiled at him and said, "You can call me whatever you want. What's your name?"

"My name is Leonard Marshall. You can call me Leonard," Leonard replied briefly. 'I would love it if you start calling me Grandpa already.' Leonard really wanted to say the last part, but he knew that now was not the time for that, otherwise, he would just frighten her again.

After that, Ashley started calling him Leonard with respect.

Nodding his head with satisfaction. Leonard asked, "Ashley, weren't you worried at all that it might be a trick to blackmail people? After all, most people would probably just turn a blind eye when the elderly falls."

"First of all, the elderly tend to be weak. We young people should help them when we see that they are in trouble. Besides, how many elders would be willing to blackmail others at the risk of embarrassing, let alone hurting themselves? As far as I know, whether it's out of morality or some other reason, we should help the elderly when they fall down. Otherwise, we may miss the best chance to save their life." She then added in a firm tone, "And besides, how can anyone possibly extort money in a public place? And you don't really look like you're that kind of person."

"Yes! That's right. If the younger generation thinks like you, the people's social morality will improve and the world will be a much better place." Leonard sighed after hearing Ashley's thoughts.

Despite having been a retired military officer for many years now, Leonard still paid attention to relevant political and social issues. Truth be told, he only asked this question to ease the tension. However, he wasn't expecting to hear Ashley have such an opinion on this matter, but thanks to this, he got to find out a little bit more about her. 'Not only is this girl kindhearted, but she also has her own points of view. She'll be able to help me deal with things in the future.'

The two of them continued talking about this issue for a while until the taxi finally arrived at the hospital. Ashley helped fill up his registration form, and the doctor bandaged Leonard's sprained right ankle. After listening to the

doctor's advice, the two of them left the hospital. On their way out, Leonard expressed his gratitude over and over again, and even invited her to his home someday. Ashley simply smiled and accepted his offer. Finally, the two of them exchanged contact information with each other.

After seeing Leonard off in a taxi, Ashley took a taxi and went home as well.

By the time Leonard got back home, it was already evening. Joseph wasn't back yet. 'That workaholic. How is he going to have time to spend with a girl?' Leonard felt sorry that Joseph didn't live up to his expectations. Since Leonard's ankle was injured, it would be difficult for him to prepare dinner. And now he was feeling a little hungry, so he grabbed the phone on the table and dialed Joseph's number.

"Joseph, I'm hungry." Leonard didn't bother wasting any time and went straight to the point the second the call was connected. Then, he went on and added, "And, I sprained my ankle."

Joseph, who was still going through the documents, answered the phone call from his home. Before he could even ask why he called, his grandfather's voice rang in his ears. When he heard him say "I sprained my ankle," Joseph replied at once, "Grandpa, I'll be there as soon as I can. Just stay where you are and don't do anything, okay?" With that, he hung up the phone.

On the other end, Leonard felt a sense of fulfillment because he rarely heard Joseph saying such thoughtful words. After feeling proud for a while, he turned on the TV and leaned back on the sofa to kill time. He started thinking about how he could help make Ashley, who was virtuous and kind, his grandson's wife. Leonard just couldn't wait for his grandson to get married. So much so, that he didn't even realize that his plan wasn't going to work if Joseph, the person involved, didn't agree to his plan.

Just as Leonard was dreaming of a bright future, Joseph opened the door and walked in, holding some packaged food prepared by his assistant in his hand. After putting away the things he was carrying, Joseph walked to the sofa to check on his grandfather. Leonard, on the other hand, just kept watching the TV with a blank expression on his face. It wasn't until Joseph sat down next to him that he realized he was back home.

"Grandpa, did you sprain your ankle or did you hurt your head?" Joseph asked in his usual cold voice.

