

## **Pregnant 1501**

### Chapter 1501: Chloe's End

She was also extremely happy that she could come up with such a plan with Edward tonight.

She admitted that she was waiting for Edward on purpose. Knowing that he would be back late, she had stayed up waiting for him.

She had two days left, and she could not let it go to waste like that. She should at least fight for a chance for herself. Otherwise, she would not be satisfied when she left. However, she had never expected to be given a huge surprise tonight.

When she was waiting for him in the living room, she saw that Edward did not return to his room immediately after she returned. Instead, he sat at the bar counter and started drinking!

If he was drunk, could they have sex after? At the thought of that, her heart began to beat faster.

Previously, she found that Edward was really difficult to get close to, but now, she suddenly found it was a piece of cake.

Tonight would be an opportunity — an excellent opportunity. Hence, she did not hesitate to go over and drink with Edward. Even though she could not wait for him to get drunk, she would act as if she was deeply in love with him.

Edward drank a lot, whereas Chloe accompanied him and only took a few sips. Toward the end, Edward leaned against the bar counter, obviously drunk.

Chloe suppressed the excitement in her heart. She did not expect Edward's alcohol tolerance to be so bad. In fact, she was prepared for Edward to drink for a long time.

She used her hand to push Edward. "Edward, wake up. Wake up..."

Edward did not move.

"It's easy for you to catch a cold if you sleep here. Edward, shall I send you back to your room?" Chloe asked.

Still, Edward did not reply. It seemed like he was drunk.

Not in the mood to think about why Edward was different from usual tonight, Chloe immediately tried to help Edward up from the bar counter. Then, she let his body lean on her as she helped Edward up the stairs.

Chloe walked carefully, afraid that she would accidentally drop Edward.

Fortunately, she managed to use all her strength to help Edward into her room.

That was right. It was her room, not Edward and Candice's room. After all, how could she miss such a great opportunity?

When Edward woke up tomorrow, they would have slept together, and she would accuse him of forcing it on her. She would like to see how Edward was going to explain himself to her and her parents.

Then, she thought about what was going to happen next and became even more excited, so she hurriedly went to take off Edward's clothes. Looking at the strong muscles on Edward's body and that perfect outline...

He had the best figure among all the men she had seen. His looks were also the best. How could that woman, Candice, take advantage of such a good man like him? Even if she did not get what she wanted tomorrow, she felt that everything would be worth it as long as she could sleep with that man.

After taking off Edward's shirt, she started to take off Edward's pants when Edward moved, seemingly uncomfortable. Chloe was shocked as she thought Edward had woken up, but unexpectedly, all he did was turn around.

She thought about it for a moment and decided not to take the rest of Edward's clothes off. Instead, she stripped herself naked before approaching Edward.

She was actually a little nervous and trembling. After all, it would be her first time sleeping with a man — and a drunk man at that. However, it also made her excited, and she leaned over to kiss Edward's lips.

She had been looking forward to that day for a long time. She had always felt that such perfect lips would be very sensual to kiss. For that, Candice was really lucky.

Chloe's lips were only less than one centimeter away from Edward's lips when the door was kicked open. Chloe was so shocked that she screamed. She had no idea what was going on.

In the next second, she quickly took the blanket to cover her body and could only watch as several men in black suits appeared in her room, looking very imposing.

"You... Who are you? How could you barge in here? Do you know this is where the Leader lives? You'll be shot!" Chloe shouted in fear.

She was on the verge of having a mental breakdown.

In the villa, because of the loud noise, Candice, who had not fallen asleep, got up from the bed. She followed the direction of the voice and arrived at Chloe's room, where she saw Chloe trying her best to cover her naked body with the blanket.

Then, she saw a naked man sitting up on Chloe's bed. The lower half of his body was under the same blanket as Chloe, and the upper half of his body was completely naked. Candice looked at the scene in front of her and immediately understood what it meant.

She had reminded Chloe not to provoke Edward because neither Chloe nor the Nicholsons could afford to offend him. However, Chloe was still so stupid.

Candice just stood there and watched the scene unfold.

"Edward, who are they? I'm so scared. You have to protect me. Boohoo..." When Chloe saw that Edward had woken up, she quickly made herself seem pitiful.

She continued to lean against Edward's body, looking like she was so frightened that she did not know what to do. However, at that moment,

Edward suddenly pushed her away, lifted the blanket, and got out of bed.

Outside the door, Candice's eyes flickered instinctively as she was afraid she would see something inappropriate. Even though she had seen it many times, fortunately, his pants were still on. Therefore, it meant that Chloe's attempt had failed.

"Edward..." Chloe watched him leave in disbelief.

The men in the black suit treated Edward with respect, and Edward said to one of them, "Did you record it?"

"Yes." One of the men in the black suit answered and handed over a black phone with both hands.

Edward took the phone and watched the replay of the surveillance footage on the phone.

He said, "Put her in the detention center first."

"Yes," the man in the black suit replied.

Chloe was still dumbfounded. 'Detention center? What's going on? Who are they going to put in the detention center? Moreover, isn't Edward drunk? Why is he suddenly so clear-headed? What's going on?'

At that moment, she saw a man in a black suit approaching her.

His face was cold as he said, "Ms. Nicholson, are you going to put on your clothes and leave with us, or are we going to have to take you away by force?"

"Are you crazy?" Chloe immediately came back to her senses, and at that moment, she started to break down.

She could not believe what was happening. She was just sleeping with Edward. Why was she getting detained?

What right did they have to detain her? She was the daughter of the dignified minister, Mr. Nicholson. How could they do whatever they wanted to her?

"What crime have I committed for you to detain me? What crime have I committed?" Chloe screamed.

She could not accept what was happening to her.

The man in the black suit's eyes darkened, and he said coldly, 'You sexually harassed the Leader of the Harken. According to the laws of Harken, you have harassed the Leader of Harken and caused physical and mental harm to him.

This crime is punishable by death.."

Chapter 1502: Chloe's End: The Death Struggle

“This crime is punishable by death.”

Chloe could not believe her ears.

What did he mean by ‘punishable by death’? What she did was just a very normal thing between a man and a woman. There was no law stating that doing that could lead to jail time or death!

She could not accept what was happening before her.

She looked at Edward and saw that he was already walking toward the door. She called out to him in a panic, “Edward, don’t go. Tell them the truth. I didn’t harass you, and I didn’t hurt you. What happened between us is-”

Edward suddenly stopped in his tracks. It was not because Chloe called him, but because he saw Candice at the door, looking at everything that was happening in front of her indifferently.

“Edward, help me.” Chloe thought Edward was listening to her, so she quickly put on a pitiful expression. ‘Wasn’t I just drinking with you? We were drunk and that was why we... I didn’t harass you, did I? Can you tell them to leave? I’m so scared.”

No man would be able to withstand seeing her weak, and she refused to believe that Edward would remain indifferent when she had been wronged to that extent.

She looked at Edward’s bare back with anticipation and suppressed her impulse to jump at him. If it were not for that group of people suddenly rushing in, she and Edward would already be having sex.

Looking at Edward’s bare upper body, she felt her mouth go dry. She had never looked forward to sleeping with a man so much. Her throat moved slightly as she looked at Edward helplessly.

She thought that he would turn around and help her. However, all she heard was his cold voice say, “The law will give you a fair answer.”

Chloe’s eyes widened. She did not believe that Edward would say something like that.

Just now, she even thought that it had nothing to do with Edward. Since those people were Edward’s bodyguards, who would rush out to protect Edward whenever something happened, they must have thought that she was hurting Edward in bed. That was why they appeared so abruptly.

However, at that moment, she could not even lie to herself. Edward’s cold attitude made her feel that Edward planned everything.

That was right. She remembered Edward telling those people earlier to send her to the detention center — it was Edward’s instructions, but why did he do that?

Was it just because she seduced him? Did all men not want to be seduced or charmed with such methods? Even if he did not like it, he would not reject it, but why did he have to treat her like that?

At that moment, she was dumbfounded as she watched Edward leave. She still refused to believe that trying to get someone in bed would convict her. She did not commit murder or arson. What right did they have to say she was guilty?

The moment the man in the black suit approached Chloe and tried to take her away by force, Chloe let out a shriek of despair. Her deafening cries echoed inside the villa, and it sounded so tragic.

Candice, on the other hand, just listened indifferently. She thought she would at least have some compassion for Chloe. Although she would not say that she sympathized with Chloe, Chloe was her biological sister after all, and she thought that their blood relation would at least be able to make her feel something.

However, it did not. It was as if the woman who was being treated rudely was just a stranger to her. She could look at Chloe coldly and watch her struggle in those men's arms.

Just then, her eyes flickered because the man in front of her was blocking her line of sight. She looked up at him.

"Let's go back to the room," he said in a low voice.

Candice pursed her lips and nodded slowly. She did not say anything about Chloe at all. Since Edward had decided on it, she could not go against it.

After she followed Edward back to the room, Edward went to take a shower first. This time, he took a long time to shower, and when he came out, his body was already red from all the scrubbing, like he was disgusted by Chloe's touch.

The two of them lay on the same bed. After what happened to Chloe, Candice could not fall asleep. She already knew that it would not end well for Chloe if she provoked Edward, but she did not expect it to come so quickly. Chloe had planned it for a long time and had been looking forward to it..

Chapter 1503: Chloe's End: The Death Struggle

However, to Edward, taking Chloe down was a piece of cake. As long as he wanted to, anyone would die.

As expected, it was dangerous to be with the Leader of a country, and she should be more careful.

In the quiet room, Edward reached out and pulled her into his embrace. Just a moment ago, they were so far away from each other, but now he was hugging her tightly.

He said, "Don't despise me."

Candice was stunned. In the darkness, she looked at Edward and saw him looking straight at her at that moment.

She quickly shook her head. "No, I won't. You guys didn't even do it."

When Candice said that, she even smiled. Moreover, even if they did do it... she would not dare to despise him for it.

She now knew what Edward's stance on marriage was. They were in a marriage with no love. It was a kinship that did not care about loyalty but about whether they could help each other.

"I said, I'm despicable." Edward enunciated each word.

Candice bit her lip.

At that moment, she did not know how to reply to him. She wanted to say that he was indeed despicable for using Chloe to achieve some of his political goals.

She did not know why she had thought about it to that extent, but after tonight's incident, the first thing that came to her mind was that Edward definitely had other motives for doing that. It was definitely not just because Chloe provoked him.

"As the leader of a country, you need to think of the bigger picture. I'm just a woman. I won't question any of your decisions... Mm." Candice's heart skipped a beat.

She watched as Edward suddenly kissed her so hard that it was hard to breathe. It was as if he did not want to hear her continue. There was also a kind of feeling that he did not like how calm she was.

Candice did not reject or take the initiative. In front of Edward, she had become... unusually docile.

The next day, Edward left early in the morning, and Candice received a call from her father at 11 a.m. At that time, she was playing with Legos with Paige, who had just finished class.

She looked at her phone, knowing that some things could not be avoided. Then, she patted Paige's head, walked to the side, and picked up the phone. "Dad."

"What happened to Chloe? I have just received news that Edward has sent her to the detention center!" The voice on the other end of the call sounded emotional.

Candice replied, "Last night, Chloe seduced Edward when she was drunk. She was caught by Edward's bodyguards and was sent to the detention center on the grounds that she was harassing the Leader of the country. I couldn't plead for Chloe in front of Edward."

Chloe expressed her helplessness — that she would try her best to avoid unnecessary harm.

"Your mother and I will be back soon. We're boarding the plane now and will be back in South Hampton City in about three hours. Is it convenient for you to come and meet us?"

Candice glanced at Paige, who was playing at home. "Sure, I'll wait for you guys at the Nicholsons' residence."

"Alright."

The other party hung up.

Candice put down her phone and walked straight to Teddy, who was helping George downstairs. It was rare to see George leaving his room the last two days.

"Teddy, I have something to sort out at home, so I'll leave the kids to you. If Edward comes back and asks for me, just tell him that my dad is looking for me. He probably won't ask too much," Candice said bluntly.

"Yes, Madam." Teddy was always extremely respectful to her.

Chloe lowered her head to look at George, who was in a wheelchair. She stroked his hair very naturally. "Be good at home and don't cause Teddy any trouble." "I'm not a child." George looked displeased. "You should tell Paige that."

Candice smiled. She felt that teasing George was fun. Although Edward and George clearly had the same bad temper, why did she like George so much more?

However, she did not say anything else and went upstairs to get changed.

"Candice," George suddenly called out to her.

That little wimp had been calling her by her name, and it really made her a little unhappy.

"You wouldn't be so stupid as to go back and plead for your sister, right?" George asked her.

Why would she? She was not so stupid as to offend Edward.

"Why? Are you worried about me?" Candice asked George.

George's face was slightly red. It was probably because he was embarrassed that his thoughts had been exposed.

He quickly retorted, "Who's worried about you? I just don't like your sister very much. On top of that, how dare she try to seduce my father? That's why I told you not to plead for her.. Stop being so narcissistic!"

Chapter 1504: Chloe's End: The Death Struggle

"Why are you so agitated?"

"I'm not agitated. I just don't want to lower myself to a woman's level." George pushed his wheelchair to the side.

When would that little brat be more honest with his words?

Candice smiled. Then, she got up and went upstairs, quickly got changed, and went downstairs to give Paige some instructions before leaving the hall.

After leaving, George, who was watching TV in the living room, turned to look in the direction Candice had left. He thought to himself, 'Hopefully, this woman wouldn't do anything stupid.'

"Do you like her too?" Teddy suddenly appeared beside George.

George was startled, but he quickly looked away and denied it. "No way."

Of course, Teddy did not expose him. Instead, he said, "I don't know why, but she gives me a very familiar feeling. If I hadn't seen your mother's body being sent away because she passed away during labor, I would've thought that your mother had come back to life."

George was startled again, and he looked up at Teddy.

Teddy met George's gaze and said slowly, "You must've suspected it, no?"

He had never thought of his mother coming back to life. Therefore, even if Candice gave him a special feeling, he had never thought about it.

Furthermore, when his father confirmed his marriage to that woman, he did an investigation on her and found out she was a real person. That was why he had never thought that she would have any other identity..

'It's impossible.' George denied his thoughts.

If it were really his mother, she would not marry his father again.

Candice returned to the Nicholsons' residence and waited.

After a while, Wyatt and Claire came back anxiously and asked, "What happened to your sister?"

Candice did not hide anything and told them everything that happened yesterday.

Wyatt said resentfully, "Why is Candice so ignorant? She can't just mess with any man! Doesn't she know that being with the Leader of a country is as dangerous as being with a tiger?"

"What should we do now? Could Chloe really be sentenced to jail for her lewd behavior? I heard Harken has very strict laws to protect its Leader. With Chloe's situation, she could really be sentenced to death," Claire said nervously.

At that moment, she was on the verge of tears.

As Harken's law that protected the country's Leader had rarely been used throughout history, very few people knew of such laws until an accident happened.

"Why didn't you stop your sister?" At that moment, Claire was so anxious that she began to complain.

She could not accept that fact and was a little angry at Candice.

Candice pursed her lips and said, "I didn't know Chloe had such thoughts, so I couldn't stop her."

"You guys live together. How could you not tell?" Claire questioned Candice.

"Mom, do you think I should be able to tell that Chloe had some improper thoughts about her brother-in-law?" Candice asked.

Claire was stunned.

Claire was a little embarrassed at that moment.

"Since you knew, why didn't you discipline Chloe, Mom? Not to mention Edward was the one Chloe was having improper thoughts about. Even if it were any other ordinary person, it is immoral and shameless, and it should be stopped, right? Not only did you not do that, but you even helped her!" Candice's righteous words made Claire blush.

She stared blankly at Candice for a long time before she said reluctantly, "How would I know? What nonsense are you talking about?"

"In that case, please don't talk nonsense, Mom," Candice said confidently.



For a moment, Claire was intimidated by Candice's aura.

"The most important thing for us now is to think of a way to prevent Chloe from being severely punished by the law instead of blaming each other here."

Candice enunciated each word.

Claire could not refute her.

Wyatt quickly said, "Candice is right. The most important thing now is to keep Chloe out from serving jail time."

"Have you thought of any solutions?" Claire quickly asked Wyatt. "I can't accept Chloe going to jail. She's still at such a tender age. If she really goes to jail, her life will be ruined.."

Chapter 1505: Chloe's End: The Death Struggle

"Calm down." Wyatt was also a little irritated at the moment.

How could Claire calm down at a moment like that? However, she had no choice but to suppress her emotions.

Candice said, "I think we should visit Chloe now and ask her about her situation."

"Yes, let's go take a look at Chloe now. She must be scared out of her wits being in the detention center for so long!" Claire quickly said.

Wyatt agreed, and the family went to the detention center together.

After going through a series of formal procedures, they finally saw Chloe, who was locked up in an independent room. Chloe's eyes were swollen. It was obvious that she had cried all night.

When she saw her parents, she burst into tears. "Dad, Mom, you're finally back. I'm so scared. I'm so scared..."

Claire hugged Chloe. "Chloe, don't be afraid. Your father and I are back. We will protect you. Don't be afraid."

"Mom, you don't know how scary this place is. I'm so scared here. If you guys didn't show up, you might not have been able to see your daughter," Chloe said miserably. She also looked extremely pitiful.

Seeing that, Claire's heart broke. The mother and daughter burst into tears in prison.

Chloe asked, "Mom, can I leave with you now?"

Claire froze.

Chloe looked at them in disbelief. "Can't I leave? No, I don't want to stay here for a second. There are rats here, and they ran past me last night. No, Mom, I can't stay here. I'll die."

"Be quiet!" Wyatt suddenly roared at Chloe.

Chloe was shocked to see Wyatt lose his temper. Her eyes were red as she looked at Wyatt pitifully and did not dare to cry anymore.

“How can you still have the cheek to feel wronged after doing something so snametlll( wny aren’t you retlectlng on wnat you did and wny you’re IOCKed up?” Wyatt berated.

Chloe’s eyes were red, and tears streamed down her face again. “Dad, I was really drunk. That’s why I did that to Edward. I was really drunk.. Sis quarreled with Edward yesterday, and Edward was in a bad mood, so he was drinking at home. I thought that I could help Sis and Edward patch up their relationship by accompanying Edward to drink and putting in a good word for her. My alcohol tolerance is not great to begin with, and I got drunk. That was why I lost my sense of propriety...’

Candice really impressed by Chloe’s lies, and she finally understood why Claire was so biased toward Chloe. Chloe was really good at pleasing people.

“Are you stupid? If your sister and your brother-in-law were quarreling, why did you get involved?”

“I was just... worried about my sister and brother-in-law. If Sis and Edward have a fallout, with Edward’s status, it might affect our family. I was also doing it for the sake of our family. I didn’t expect things to turn out like this?” The more Chloe spoke, the more aggrieved she sounded.

Candice listened coldly from the side. She was impressed and amused at the same time.

Did Chloe forget that Edward had video evidence? If they both had drunk sex, why would they send her here?

“What do you want me to say, child?” Claire looked as if she had expected better from Chloe. It was obvious that she believed Chloe’s words.

“Mom, can you take me out? I don’t want to stay here, not even for a second.”

Claire quickly asked Wyatt, “Can you think of a way to get Chloe out first? We can explain the rest to Leader alone, okay?”

“I just asked. Apparently, the Leader has personally given the order that we can visit her, but we can’t take her out.” ‘Why?’ Claire was even more agitated. “Can’t you release her on bail?”

“The Leader has the authority to do so.”

“T-T-Then, can’t he let Chloe out first because we’re family?”

“Do you think he would’ve sent Chloe here if he accounted for our relationship?” Wyatt was also a little angry at that moment.

Regardless, Claire could not accept it and was extremely annoyed by it.

Chloe naturally could not accept it either.. At that moment, she suddenly saw Candice who was not involving herself in the matter, and quickly said, “Sis, can’t you plead for me? I’m here because of you? Can’t you beg Edward for me?”

Chapter 1506: Chloe’s End: The Death Struggle

The moment Chloe said that, Wyatt and Claire looked at Candice. They probably thought that Chloe's suggestion was a good one too.

Candice pursed her lips and said, "As Dad said earlier, if Edward wanted to consider our relationship as a family, he wouldn't have chosen this method. Instead, he would have settled it privately. Since he chose this method, it must mean that he never thought of letting it go."

"You haven't even tried. How would you know it won't work? Sis, are you afraid that it will affect your position as the Leader's wife? Are you afraid that you will anger Edward if you plead for me? If you are, just say it. Don't let me have any expectations of you..."

"Yes," Candice admitted.

Chloe looked at Candice in disbelief. She did not expect Candice to answer so readily.

"Firstly, Edward is the Leader of this country, and like any great Leader, he is unpredictable. If I'm not careful, I might provoke him. Secondly, even if Edward was not the Leader of this country and we're ordinary people, you seduced my husband. Why do I have to plead for you instead?" Candice was a little sarcastic. "Do you think it'll work?"

"Like I said, I only did what I did because I was drunk. I wasn't seducing him at all. I was trying to mediate the conflict between you and Edward. I was doing that for you."

"Chloe, I should remind you that since Edward sent you here, there must be sufficient evidence to prove that you've committed a crime. Yet, you keep saying you were drunk. Aren't you afraid of being humiliated?"

"I..." Chloe bit her lips and refused to admit it. "Candice, you speak with such dignity, but you're just afraid that it'll affect your status and position. I never thought you'd be someone who wouldn't care about your sister for the sake of your own interests!"

"If you really want to put it that way, I'll answer you plainly. Yes, I'm such a person, so I won't interfere in your case with Edward"

"Candice, how could you do this to your sister!" Claire could not stand it anymore. "You two are sisters, after all. Blood is thicker than water. How could you treat her like this-I'

"Enough!" Wyatt roared.

Claire and Chloe were stunned by Wyatt's temper.

"Chloe, apologize to your sister!" Wyatt said.

Chloe thought she had heard wrongly. She looked at her father in disbelief and said, "Dad, it's her fault. Why do you want me to apologize? I'm in this place because of her. Why do you want me to apologize? Ever since we were young, you've been biased toward her. You've even ignored my feelings because of her. Now, no matter the situation, you're still on her side. Am I really your biological daughter?"

Chloe broke down and started crying.

At that moment, Claire could not care less anymore. She shouted at Wyatt,

“Chloe didn’t do anything wrong. What right do you have to make Chloe apologize? What right do you have to defend Candice?”

“Whose fault is it? Do you think I don’t know Chloe has been spoiled by you since she was young? If not for Chloe back then...” The veins on Wyatt’s face popped. “I don’t want to talk about the past anymore. If Chloe has a death wish, so be it. I don’t care anymore!”

Wyatt was about to leave when Claire threatened him. “Wyatt, if you leave today, I will die in front of you!”

“Sure! Die right now!” Wyatt was also furious.

“Y-Y-You!” Claire could not complete her sentence for a long time.. Then, she scolded Wyatt, “You’d rather lose your daughter for the sake of power, huh?”

You and Candice are the same — both selfish! One day, God will punish you for

Chapter 1507: Chloe’s End: True Colors Revealed

Heart-wrenching screams echoed throughout the prison.

Wyatt looked at Claire with an ugly expression. He did not expect the family to be in such a mess because of Chloe’s matter.

He said fiercely, “Claire, Chloe is who she is now because of you. If you hadn’t doted on her since she was young, tolerated her every time she made a mistake, and stood on her side unconditionally after she made a mistake, Chloe wouldn’t be ignorant!”

“Do you mean I’m ignorant too?” Claire argued with Wyatt. “If that’s the case, why are we still living together? Let’s get a divorce. Let’s get a divorce immediately!”

“You think I don’t dare to do it, do you?” Wyatt asked coldly.

“Divorce, immediately!” Claire had lost all her rationality.

Candice looked at Claire acting impulsively and believed Claire was the reason Chloe had such a twisted personality. She finally saw it for herself. As a parent whose child made a mistake, instead of telling her own child off, Claire picked at other people's mistakes.

Candice originally thought that such people were only mentioned in gossip and entertainment, but today was really an eye-opener for her.

"Candice, Dad and Mom are about to get a divorce because of you, but you're still so indifferent to the situation. Do you even have a conscience?" Chloe suddenly pointed the finger at Candice.

Chloe's ability to shift the blame was unparalleled.

Candice looked at Chloe coldly. "I really don't understand. This matter is so simple and easy to understand. It's clear who is at fault. How can you twist things to such an extent?"

"What did you say-I'

Candice immediately interrupted Chloe. "First of all, whose fault is it to seduce someone else's husband? Was it my fault because I didn't keep a close eye on my husband?"

"I've already explained that I didn't seduce him. I was just drunk-"

"Even if you were drunk, do you think it's a matter of course for you to sleep with a married man? If you did it unintentionally, shouldn't you be ashamed? How can you be so shameless as to think that it's okay?" Candice sneered. Chloe was about to say something, but she was suddenly rendered speechless by Candice.

"Secondly, when you ask others for help, what makes you think others must help you and that not helping you would be treason?" Candice continued to mock Chloe. "Who do you think you are? The Queen? And everyone has to worship you unconditionally?"

"You!" Chloe's face turned red from Candice criticizing her.

“I’ll say it one last time. Whether or not to pursue this matter is not up to me or Dad to decide. It’s Edward’s decision. If he didn’t want to pursue this matter, he wouldn’t have chosen to do it this way. Since he’s doing it this way, this is not child’s play to him, and you should understand the true meaning of this matter. Don’t assume that you can pretend it never happened because you were fooling around. You can never predict what the Leader of a country will do,” Candice said coldly and clearly.

“You haven’t even tried, so how could be so certain? You just don’t want to help me. You want me to be punished and to stabilize your position. All men have liked me since we were young, and you’re just jealous of me. You’re afraid that Edward might really like me, so you can’t wait to see me go down! Candice, do you think I don’t know about your selfish thoughts? At the end of the day, you’re doing all this to benefit yourself!”

“You really think too highly of yourself, Chloe! Who exactly do you think Edward is? Would he care about someone like you? Look in the mirror and see what it is you have to make men like you. Get to know Edward’s ex-wife, Jeanne, and compare yourself to her!” Candice sneered, and she looked at the person in front of her with a contemptuous smile. “Chloe, it’s important to know your place.. In Edward’s eyes, you’re nothing!”

Chapter 1508: Chloe’s End: True Colors Revealed

“Candice, you’re just jealous of me! You’ve been jealous of me since we were young!” Chloe refused to let the matter go.

She refused to admit that men were not attracted to her.

“Why would I be jealous of you? Am I jealous that I’m not good-looking or that my figure isn’t good enough? Am I jealous of your lack of culture, morals, and self-awareness? Am I jealous of you because you can seduce men or that you failed to seduce a man?” Candice said calmly.

Chloe was completely exposed, but she did not believe that she was as embarrassing and useless as Candice described. What right did Candice have to say that about her?

“Who do you think you are? Do you think you have what it takes?” Chloe roared.

She was no longer putting on an act, and all her emotions erupted.

“I’ve never thought of myself as superior, nor do I think I’m superior, but I know my limits. I know who I can’t mess with and who I can’t get. Unlike you, who thinks too highly of yourself.”

“Candice!” Chloe was so angry that she wanted to fight Candice to the death.

No one had ever said that to her in her life. She had been the one to bully Candice since she was young, and Candice had never bullied her, so she could not accept Candice treating her like that. She would never admit what Candice had said either — she was certain that Candice was jealous of her.

She pointed her finger at Candice's face. "Let me tell you, Candice, if I can't seduce a man, you can't either! If Edward doesn't like me, he definitely won't like you. Otherwise, he wouldn't have given you birth control pills! Candice, so what if you're the Leader's wife? It's just for show. Don't be smug and act like you're superior here. One day, you'll end up the same--"

Just as Candice was about to speak, a familiar male voice suddenly sounded from the door. "Do you have the final say in who I like?"

The cold voice sounded angry.

Candice turned her head, and so did everyone else. They looked in the direction of the door and saw that Edward had suddenly appeared.

Candice bit her lip lightly. She and Chloe had been brazenly arguing just now, and their voices were so loud that she did not know how much he had heard.

"Do you think you have the final say in my matters?" Edward stood in front of Chloe and questioned her.

At that moment, Chloe was so frightened by Edward's aura that she could not say a word for a long time. The others naturally felt the same, and the atmosphere in the room was tense.

Claire suddenly said with tears in her eyes, "Edward, Chloe is young and insensible. If she has done anything to offend you, please forgive her and don't hold it against her, alright? She's actually a kind-hearted person. She's just a little willful because she's been spoiled by us. On account that we're family, can you let it go?"

Edward turned to look at Claire. He did not care about what she said.

His cold voice rang out loud and clear in the enclosed space again. "Would a kind-hearted person be so cruel to her own sister?"

"Chloe and Candice were just quarreling, like how two sisters would. It's not what you think. They've been like this since they were young. They'll be fine after a quarrel. Otherwise, it'd affect their relationship." Claire quickly put in a good word for Chloe.

"What I'm talking about is that nine years ago, when Chloe tricked Candice into drinking a drug that made Candice unconscious, causing Candice to have an accident during the drill." Edward enunciated each word.

Chloe's face turned pale in panic, and she looked at Edward in disbelief.

How did he know? At that time, Edward was not even in politics. They were in different worlds, so how could Edward know?

"Impossible." Claire insisted, "Chloe would never do such a thing."

At that moment, she was still a little agitated because of what Edward had said.

Candice was surprisingly calm. It was as if she was not the victim of this incident and had nothing to do with it.

However, if that was the truth, it could explain why she suddenly had an accident during the drill. Apparently, her skills were perfect, and there was no way she could have made such a careless mistake..

#### Chapter 1509: Chloe's End: True Colors Revealed

"Minister Nicholson, don't you know everything?" Edward ignored Claire and turned to look at Wyatt.

Wyatt's expression sank. He even felt a little ashamed.

Back then, in order to protect Chloe, he had indeed hidden the truth. After all, he was selfish. Having lost a daughter, he could not lose a second one. Therefore, the moment the truth came out, he used his power to hide all of it and turned the incident during Candice's drill into an accident.

To keep the real reason a secret, he did not tell anyone — not even Claire — nor did he expose Chloe. However, because his impression of Chloe was ruined and he could not get over it, he could not bring himself to treat Chloe too well. Even so, his selfishness made him keep it a secret.

Candice looked at her father's expression and sneered. That was why, in everyone's eyes, her father treated her the best. Yet, when faced with a choice, he would selfishly choose to protect Chloe and let others misunderstand that she was the one who made a mistake and ended up in the accident.

She remembered seeing the news back then. Most of the people in the news felt sorry for her, but there were still some haters who said her skills were not up to standard and that she was just being flattered. Some said she was too proud and complacent because she was famous at a young age..

In any case, her reputation was partly affected because of that incident, but her father still chose to protect his other daughter.

From a rational standpoint, what her father did was understandable. Back then, she was so severely injured that nobody knew if she would wake up and he was afraid of losing his second daughter.

However, emotionally, even though she had no recollection of what she had gone through in the past and did not seem to feel much about it, she still felt a little angry. Even an outsider would probably stand up for Candice. It was simply unfair!

"Minister Nicholson." Edward did not get an answer, so he called out to him again.

Wyatt had been holding his emotions back for a long time. At that moment, he finally nodded heavily. "Yes, it's true that I covered up all the truth."

"No, Dad. I didn't do it. Don't listen to that nonsense. How could I harm my sister? How could I harm her? Don't think of me as such a bad person. I'm not that bad—"

"Enough!" Wyatt roared. "If I had known that you were so unrepentant, I wouldn't have covered up everything. I should've exposed you!"

"Dad, I really didn't do it. Someone must have wrongly accused me. You have to believe me..." Chloe refused to admit it.

Wyatt's expression turned even uglier. "You still won't admit it at this point!"



The hospital found sleeping pills in the juice you gave your sister back then!” Shocked, Chloe could not say a word for a long time.

“I saw you give that glass of juice to Candice with my own eyes. Do you think I’m blind?” Wyatt said fiercely.

“I didn’t make that juice myself. Someone must’ve framed me on purpose.

Someone must be jealous of my sister’s talent, so they deliberately framed me.

That must be the case—”

“Chloe, how many more lies can you tell? You said you made the glass of juice yourself back then, and now you’re saying it was someone else who made it? If you insist on that, I’ll take out the evidence and hand it over to the court for judgment!” Wyatt was so angry that his body was trembling.

He did not expect his daughter to be so cruel. It was as if he had accepted that his own daughter would be so vicious.

“No, you can’t!” Chloe panicked. “Dad, you can’t do this. You can’t!” By saying that, she had tacitly agreed to have plotted against Candice back then.

At that moment, Chloe broke down and fell to the ground. She thought no one else knew about it, but now it seemed that the whole world knew.

In that case, was her usual act of pretending to be kind, cute, and innocent not a slap in her face? Was she not like a clown to them?

Feeling ashamed from being exposed, she lay on the ground with a hideous expression and looked extremely miserable.

“Did you really drug Candice back then?” Only then did Claire come back to her senses, and she looked at her daughter in disbelief.

She thought Chloe was a little willful but not to that extent. She thought that by giving Chloe most of her love and being so protective of her, Chloe would be an innocent little princess. Unexpectedly, the daughter she had raised was so vicious as to give her sister sleeping pills and cause a huge accident to happen during her sister’s drill.

Claire looked at Chloe in disbelief, unable to accept the truth, while Chloe was having a mental breakdown and no longer dared to deny it.

Her appearance really infuriated Claire, who suddenly went crazy and started yelling at Chloe. She probably could not control her emotions anymore because she was dealt such a hard blow.

Candice did not try to dissuade Claire, nor did the others.

Without even glancing at the mother and daughter, Edward said to Wyatt, “Minister Nicholson, you should know what to do next, right?” Wyatt looked at Edward and nodded slowly and heavily.

“Oh, right. This is a video of what Chloe did to me last night. Don’t say I wronged her.” Edward passed a phone to Wyatt.

Wyatt did not doubt that Chloe would go that far, but he took the phone silently.

After giving his instructions, Edward turned around and was about to leave when he stopped in his tracks. He said, "Candice." Candice's eyes flickered.

"Come here." He stretched his hand out to hold her hand

Candice looked at his clean and slender fingers.

Actually, she did not know what Edward was planning to do now! She did not even know whether she could return to his side..

Chapter 1510: The Truth Is Within Reach

Nevertheless, Candice placed her hand on Edward's palm. The moment she did that, she felt him heave a sigh of relief. It made her dumbfounded as to who between the both of them should be the one nervous. He held her hand tightly in his and said slowly, "I like Candice very much." He was talking to Chloe, who had gone crazy.

Chloe was stunned for a second. She then raised her head and looked at the tall Edward.

"I like her very much. The reason why I gave her birth control pills was that I didn't want to hurt her body." Edward said coldly, "Of course, I don't have to explain it to you. There's no need to explain it to unimportant people."

Then, he left with Candice, leaving the devastated Nicholsons in the prison room.

Outside the detention center, Candice and Edward sat in the car. The two of their fingers were still interlocked, but they did not speak.

"Candice," Edward suddenly called out to her.

"Yes," Candice responded.

"If you have any questions, you can ask me."

Chloe was silent for a few seconds. In fact, she had nothing to ask. She understood the nature of their marriage very well, so she did not mind it. She said, "You have your own considerations, and I respect your decision." It meant she would not interfere with the Nicholsons' or Chloe's matters.

Putting aside the fact that she did not feel much for the Nicholsons, the fact that Chloe had caused her to crash during the drill was enough to make her watch coldly from the sidelines.

"I'm talking about our feelings for each other," Edward said bluntly.

It was as if he had long expected that she would not intercede for the Nicholsons.

Candice's eyes flickered, and she looked up at Edward. "Didn't we walk about it that night? I don't really care about our feelings for each other. I'm content as long as we're a family. It doesn't have to be a passionate love...'

"I like you." Edward interrupted her.

Candice bit her lip.

"The reason why I like you is not to lie to Chloe, nor is it to lie to you. I really do like you," Edward said seriously.

He did not look like he was joking. Moreover, there was no need for Edward to lie to her.

Suddenly, she did not know how to accept his feelings for her, but she had thought it through. As long as Edward did not initiate a breakup, she would not leave.

She asked, "What about Jeanne?"

What she meant was, 'Have you forgotten Jeanne?'

Edward remained silent as Candice looked at him calmly.

In fact, she did not have much expectation of him, and she would not make a fuss over a dead woman. The point was, she really believed that it did not matter whether she liked him or not.

She said, "Edward, what we have now is great, so you really don't have to feel guilty. My only hope is that you don't hide anything from me. I'm not as weak as you think. As long as it doesn't go against my principles, I can accept it." "I do hope you can be a little weaker." Edward's voice was low and deep.

Candice stared at him.

"At the very least, make me feel like you need me."

Candice chose to remain silent because she did not want to rely on anyone, especially with anything related to the heart.

Silence filled the car again, and Candice was deep in her thoughts. She figured that although they would slowly return to their original lives after Chloe's matter and not quarrel like they were now, there would be a conflict between them. However, she always believed that time could wash away everything.

A week later, Wyatt resigned from his position as the minister of Harken due to his health issues. The control of Harken's army was handed over to Edward. Now, Edward had complete control over the entire Harken and became one of the few leaders in Harken's history to hold that power.

Candice was not too surprised when she read the news. From the moment Edward discovered Chloe's scheme to the moment she acquiesced to Chloe's actions, she had thought that Edward had other motives.

She seemed to know him very well, even though the two of them had not been together for a long time.

Candice's eyes flickered as she looked at the incoming call and slowly picked it up. "Dad."

"Candice, we're preparing to go abroad," Wyatt suddenly said.

Candice was a little surprised. She thought that exchanging power was enough and that Edward would not go so far as to be ruthless..