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Damien was a tyrant and a bully.

He did not even bother to hide it!

Above all, he was the descendant of the most powerful ancient family in Erudia.

Even the second-most powerful ancient family had to answer to him.

Who in Erudia would dare to offend him?

That was the reason he pranced around on his high horse and did whatever he liked.

Everyone was beneath him.

Especially back in North Hampton, no one could stop him.

Ruining a mere wedding was child's play to him.

Jonah heaved a sigh and silently retreated to the back.

What could he do if Damien refused to heed his advice?

He was just asking for it at this point.

"Aren't you going to kneel yet, Emma?" Meredith yelled, along with several others.

The fate of Levi, as well as the Lopez and Black families rested on Emma's shoulders now. She had the power to help them soar through the ranks.

Hence, they were more frantic than anyone else at the scene.

After all, this involved their own interests.

Emma inhaled deeply and was about to kneel when a large palm held her back.

"My mother will never kneel before anyone! Not even when the sky falls and the earth crumbles!" Levi stated coldly.

"As for me kneeling before you? You can forget about it! But if you kneel before me right now, perhaps I'll spare your pathetic excuse of a life!"

His words startled everyone.

The moment he spoke those words, the entire venue was filled with gasps.

Everyone stared at him in wide-eyed disbelief.

Isn't he openly challenging Damien?

He even wants Damien to kneel?

He must be kidding!

Is he insane?

"Hahahaha..." Booming laughter escaped Damien's lips.

"Great. I see you have a spine! Or to be more precise, you're an arrogant fool who knows no better. You don't realize how powerful the Garrison clan is and the dangers you would be facing. An ignorant person knows no fear."

Damien's lips curled into a sneer.

Meredith and the others were utterly disappointed.

Just like that, the opportunity to make it big slipped away...

Levi clearly had it right in the palm of his hand, but he threw it away.

"Mr. Damien, please give us one more chance. Why don't we kneel for you? We will definitely discipline Levi after this," Meredith and some of them begged.

They were unwilling to let such an opportunity slip away.

Damien looked at Levi and said, "See? They're more sensible than you."

"But I told you that you'd only have one chance. I've given it, so there are no more chances now."

The Lopez and Black families were unable to accept how things had turned out.

Disappointment flooded them; utter disappointment!

Is Levi a f*cking idiot?

How could he turn down such a good opportunity?

What's he acting all high and mighty for?

His damned pride cost us a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Damien smiled. "You're as stubborn as a mule, Levi, but you will kneel at my feet."

"Damien, today is my wedding day, so I won't hold this against you. Now, leave at once!" Levi lowered his voice the best he could as he spoke to Damien.

If today wasn't his big day, he would have shred Damien into pieces right in front of everyone.

He had messed up his wedding with Zoey once.

He did not want it to happen a second time.

Hence, he would spare Damien's life this time around and settle the scores after everything was over.

"How dare you chase Mr. Damien away, Levi? Are you mad?"

Of course, Meredith and the rest did not dare to step on Damien's toes.

Damien feigned a sigh. "I never wanted to attend this wedding. I only came to take a look and present you a huge gift!"

With that, he ordered his men, "Bring the gift over!"

He fixed his gaze on Levi with a grin. "This is a gift I've specially prepared for you. I hope you like it!"

A car drove in.

An object was carried down the car and moved into the wedding venue.

Boom!

Upon seeing the gift prepared by Damien, everyone's expression changed drastically.

Especially Levi...

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It wasn't because of him, but the present that Damien gave.

He had given the couple a funeral wreath, a coffin, and a gravestone.

Both the gravestone and the wreath had Levi's name clearly written on them.

It was preposterous for Damien to gift him something like this on his wedding day.

It was quite obvious that he had cruel intentions.

A hush fell over the entire room. Instantly, the temperature in the room fell by a few degrees.

Everyone was shocked by Damien's gift.

Who in their right mind would send these as wedding gifts?

Zoey was furious, too.

She had her perfect wedding all planned out nicely. Now, she would have to live with this unhappy memory for the rest of her life.

Azure Dragon, Kirin, Ezra, and the others were so livid they were about to burst.

Who dared to stir up trouble at the God of War's wedding?

They could not tolerate it!

No matter how they tried to hold back their anger, they felt as though they were about to explode.

White Tiger, who had the fiercest temper among all of them, gazed at Damien with his eyes full of murderous hatred.

His thoughts now were very simple. First, he would kill Damien. Then, he would make his way up to Oakland City and kill the entire ancient family to which Damien belonged.

"Well, looks like you've developed quite a liking towards my gifts! I won't bother you anymore—go ahead and get married!"

After delivering his presents and rubbing Levi Garrison the wrong way, Damien turned to leave.

He enjoyed the feeling of slowly torturing someone to death, instead of killing them off instantly.

He wanted to see how stupid Levi would look when he was furious but completely helpless.

Torturing Levi to death sounded like an excellent plan.

In fact, by the time he was through, Levi would not want to live anymore—but he also wouldn't be able to die.

Damien knew that Levi was close to exploding with rage.

However, he didn't have the ability to go up against Damien, and could only force himself to not lash out.

White Tiger roared loudly, "Boss, allow me to kill off this insolent fool!"

This time, nobody tried to stop White Tiger.

This was because they shared the same idea as him—to kill Damien.

Since he had committed such an appalling act against Levi, he had to pay the price for it!

"Boss, one word from you is all I need! When I hear it from you, I'll make sure to raze the home of the Garrison family in Oakland City to the ground!" Ezra and the others cried, pleading with Levi to let them take revenge.

They were so furious that they couldn't tolerate Damien's behavior anymore, especially when they saw that Damien was about to get into the car and drive off.

Levi's thoughts mirrored theirs quite exactly.

Just as he was about to issue a kill order on Damien, he caught Zoey's eye.

Don't do it.

Zoey shook her head almost imperceptibly, warning him not to behave recklessly.

Damien's goal was very simple. He wanted to aggravate Levi so that Levi would feel obliged to kill him.

He would then have a solid reason to finish Levi off, and the Garrison family would get away scot-free.

Damien was a very smart man. Even his actions, which seemed unplanned and reckless, had been carefully calculated in view of his grand plans.

"Let him leave!" Levi snapped, taking a deep breath to steady himself.

The audience let out a sigh of disappointment

"Keep this coffin! Remember not to throw it away or damage it! I'll be using this on Damien Garrison one day," Levi said blandly.

"Got it!" A spark of excitement lit up in White Tiger's eyes again.

Levi was making plans for the future; he would use these items when he had an opportunity to get back at Damien.

He decided to let the fool revel in his happiness for a few more days...

The wedding continued on as though nothing had happened.

Aside from Damien's intrusion, everything went perfectly as planned.

"Sorry, Zoey. I'm afraid your dream of a perfect wedding was ruined," Levi apologized.

"No worries! Actually, don't they say that the most beautiful memories are the ones in which we feel regret? I'll forget about it soon enough. You've given me a wedding that was more than perfect!"

"I support you for holding your ground against the Garrison family! In fact, I'm very pleased with it. Let me join you in the dangerous task of seeking revenge against them!" Zoey said.

"Don't worry. I'll never kneel before anyone—not now, not ever! Frankly, I doubt it's of any concern—the Garrison family won't do anything to me," Levi promised her.

"Yes, I know that. Even if you were to start a fight against the Garrison family, they have no reason to respond to you."

Changing the topic naturally, she continued, "By the way, where's the surprise you promised me?"

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"Ah, the surprise! Of course." Levi laughed brightly.

Everyone in the audience turned to look at them.

Under all their gazes, Levi took out a customized necklace along with a ring and helped Zoey put them on.

Seeing the necklace and ring made out of reconstituted ammunition cases, Zoey felt extremely touched.

These were much more valuable than necklaces and rings that cost millions.

Zoey grabbed the necklace tightly in her hands. "This is the best gift I've received in my entire life!"

She then glanced at Levi and commented, "But this can't be the surprise you were planning on giving me, right?"

Levi had put in so much effort to organize the wedding.

There was no way these two pieces of jewelry were his surprise.

Levi had announced to everyone that he had not been to jail at all. Perhaps he would use this time to explain everything to them once and for all.

"Well, go ahead and tell me! I hope you'll personally let me know what this surprise is. I've been waiting for this for so long!"

Zoey looked at him in eager anticipation.

Levi's expression looked rather conflicted.

If Damien hadn't intruded on their wedding today, he would've told Zoey all of his secrets and revealed his true identity.

After all, he was already wearing his military uniform...

Now that the arrow was already on the bow, he had no reason not to fire.

If he didn't reveal at least a little something, Zoey was bound to be very confused.

"To tell you the truth... I'm the mysterious boss of the Morris Group!" Levi blurted out.

Because of the matter with the Garrison family, he was temporarily unable to reveal his identity as the God of War.

However, it was now the right time to reveal his identity as the boss of Morris Group, since the Garrison family already knew about it anyway.

Hearing this, murmurs ran through the crowd. The audience was stunned by what he had just said.

The Lopez and Black families were especially flabbergasted.

Slowly, they all turned to look at Levi with disbelief on their faces.

This man, whom we've always regarded as a beggarly loser, turns out to be the mysterious boss of Morris Group?

That Morris Group to which Triple Group could barely hold a candle?

Meredith and the others were so stunned that they stood up from their seats...

They were all trembling from head to toe, especially Aaron and Caitlyn.

Thinking back to the incidents that had happened back in North Hampton, both of them felt thunderstruck. They gazed at Levi as though their eyeballs were going to pop out of their sockets.

The Lopez and Black families gazed at each other in fear.

Before this, they had found no explanation for the preposterous acts Levi had been displaying. Now, they finally realized what had been going on all along.

He was the boss of Morris Group; there was no need for him to be afraid of anyone.

He also had no special reason to fear the Lopez and Black families, either.

When Zoey heard this, she burst into a loud wail. Her body trembled as she cried; tears cascaded down her face uncontrollably.

It was as though a dam had burst inside her.

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This was why the boss of Morris Group had kept helping her without any demands for compensation.

This was why Levi had been working at Morris Group under his disguise of a nobody.

This was why Iris stammered like an idiot and spoke vaguely and evasively after she came back from meeting the mysterious boss.

This was why Levi Group had changed its name to the Morris Group.

Everything had been pointing to the fact that Levi was the head of Morris Group.

Aside from Levi, nobody else in the world would treat Zoey so well.

Actually, when Levi informed her that he had a surprise for her, she had already had her suspicions about what he was going to tell her.

The signs had been there all along. With hindsight, it was painfully obvious.

In fact, Zoey's suspicion started when she noted Iris's strange expression after the latter learned of the identity of that mysterious boss.

When she thought back on it, all the signs led to Levi being that person.

Hence, even before the wedding, she had already guessed that the surprise would have something to do with his identity.

But she still wanted to hear the confession from Levi himself.

Finally, she received the confirmation that she wanted.

Zoey threw her arms around Levi and cried, "Levi, you're still the biggest hero to me!"

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At that moment, an image of Levi from six years ago flashed across her mind. Back then, he was young and idealistic.

Without help from anyone else, he had managed to make a name for himself and establish his company through his own efforts.

This was what she most admired about Levi.

Even after six years, Levi still retained the bravado and tenacity he had in his younger days.

However, he had learned to be less aggressive and to hide his powers when necessary.

Other than that, his achievements and his character remained much the same as before. Zoey felt that he had even improved somewhat.

She was very pleased with how Levi was right now.

She didn't care about the number of achievements he had. As long as he still possessed the fortitude he had back then, she would be satisfied.

"To me, this is the biggest surprise you could have given me," she continued to sob, drenching the front of his suit.

Levi wiped the tears from her face and gazed at her with conflicted emotions.

In his heart, he added: Actually, this isn't the surprise I intended to tell you! The real surprise must be hidden from you for now.

However, it would only take him a while more to clear things up with the Garrison family. By then, Zoey would find out for herself, too.

He believed that the day would come soon!

Although Levi had just announced that he was the mysterious boss of Morris Group, nobody at the wedding aside from Zoey could feel happy for him.

Sure, as the head of Morris Group, Levi Garrison had the most prestigious status out of everyone in South Hampton and its surrounding lands.

However, the Garrison clan was intent on creating trouble for him.

This lent a touch of sorrow to Levi's small bit of achievement.

In front of a tremendously powerful clan like the Garrisons, the Morris Group was practically nothing.

Worse still, Levi and the Garrison clan went back a long way and they loathed each other bitterly.

Levi was in for a very rough and dangerous time.

While he was the esteemed boss of the Morris Group, he was still nothing but an ordinary person to the Garrisons.

"Oh, Levi! We are all very happy to hear that you're the boss of Morris Group. However, the little power you have is nothing compared to that of the Garrison family. You must be delusional if you think you can take them down!"

Jason had a very clear understanding of the Garrison family's power. He knew that if Levi tried to go up against them, he would be destroyed instantly like an egg that had been hurled against a rock.

Even Emma tried to dissuade him. "My son, I'm already very proud of you for your achievements. However, this is the Garrison family you're up against. Why don't you let me go to them and plead for your life on your behalf? Why can't we live peacefully instead of stirring up trouble with them?"

Meredith and the others agreed immediately. "Exactly! Just get down on your knees and prostrate yourself before Mr. Damien! It shouldn't be that hard."

"Can you survive on dignity alone? Forgive me for being blunt, but you're too hung up on dignity!"

"Exactly! As long as you kneel before Mr. Damien and plead for your life, you'll be recognized as a young master of the Garrison family. You'll have as much riches and glory as you'll ever need. Isn't that a great deal?"

"Besides, are you willing to put Zoey through this sort of danger? What if you put the child inside her belly in danger as well? Have you ever thought about that?" As for the Lopez and Black families, they much preferred the idea of sucking up to the Garrison family.

Levi's status as the boss of the Morris Group made him as useful as the "p" in raspberry.

In fact, he was in a great deal of physical danger himself.

They could not count on him to protect them.

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"Levi, you might be very strong in other areas but there are two weaknesses of yours we must point out," Robert said sternly. "Firstly, your worldview is way too limited. Secondly, you are a poor judge of situations and do not know how to turn them to your advantage."

"It's just as Damien said——your privileged circumstances and the small bubble of people you interact with have caused you to have a narrow view of the world. You should maintain a heart of humility. There are many out there who are stronger and much more powerful than you are. Are you so reckless and arrogant that you want to go up against them?"

"Besides, the Garrison clan is choosing to ignore your lowly status and is accepting you back into their family as long as you kneel before them. Don't you see the opportunity that's been given to you?"

Everyone agreed very much with Robert's words.

Levi was too crazy for his own good. Trying to talk sense into him would do no good.

It was quite possible that what happened six years ago might happen again.

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Harry threw a look of contempt at Levi. "Levi, if you act recklessly, you'll only put yourself and Zoey in danger! What can dignity do for you when you're dead and six feet underground?"

"Exactly! Before an opportunity like this, dignity is nothing!"

"Levi, you're a smart man. Why can't you see what's the best option for you?"

"As the saying goes, no matter how vicious a tiger is, it will not eat its own child. Until now, the Garrison family has refused to accept you as one of them because of your lowly status. In addition, no matter how many waves you make in your career, it's nothing to them!"

"The Garrison family is way up there in prestige and power. They value their honor very much and will never stoop to offer you a spot among them. As long as you accept defeat and say something pleasing to your father, you'll find your place among them again. Is kneeling really so demeaning when it comes to your own family? You shouldn't feel any shame at all!"

Everyone was pointing fingers at Levi.

To them, kneeling before the Garrison family seemed a low price to pay for the riches and glory that would come after.

After all, was dignity still worth anything in this era?

Under these circumstances, practically nobody would still hold on tightly to their dignity.

So why was Levi Garrison so determined to make things difficult for himself?

How important was something like dignity, something as insubstantial as a wisp of smoke in the air?

Levi shot everyone a look. "Firstly, the Garrison family has never treated me as a member and I've never thought of myself as one of them, either. Secondly, I value dignity very much. It's something that I will never throw away for all the riches in the world!"

"You...you must be thick-skulled!"

Harry and the others were so furious that they almost exploded at him instantly.

"This is the most you're ever going to achieve in your life! You won't be able to take another step forward," Meredith hollered.

Robert banged viciously on the table and roared, "Are you still concerned about your dignity at this moment? What good can dignity do for you?"

However, Zoey stood resolutely by her husband and argued, "I think Levi is right; that little dignity is more important!"

"Why do we have to give up our dignity and beg others for our lives? They're just going to treat us like a bunch of dogs!"

Jason sighed helplessly and said, "My dear girl, I'll be honest. Being a lapdog of the Garrison family isn't such a bad thing. In fact, it's a dream for many people who are willing to fight to the death for such an opportunity."

Meredith and the others nodded in agreement.

Jason was right!

A dog of the Garrison clan still enjoyed a position more privileged than most other people in Oakland City.

Besides, Levi was the son of the next patriarch of the Garrison family!

"You're still too young to understand what we're talking about. You're too idealistic about these sorts of things. You should face reality! When you're at our age, you'll regret the decision you made today!"

Zoey gazed at everyone in disbelief.

None of them care about their dignity!

They even profess their desire to be a dog of the Garrison family!

Thankfully, Levi already had everything planned out.

Zoey said coldly, "Alright, stop talking now. Everyone has a different point of view. If we continue to discuss this, it might end in an argument."

With that, the wedding concluded hastily.

Although there were many mishaps throughout the ceremony, Zoey had no regrets about the wedding. This was all she had ever wanted.

"No matter what happens after this, I'll always be right next to you!" she said to Levi, smiling.

"Don't worry! With me around, I won't let you or our child go through any sort of suffering!"

Meanwhile...

"Mr. Damien, I didn't know Levi Garrison would be such a hard nut to crack!"

Damien laughed cruelly. "Well, the blood of the Garrison family runs in his veins, so it's only natural that he's a little rebellious. But I'd like to see how long he can keep up that act of his. I'll make him face the cruel reality of life. He'll end up kneeling before me and throwing away his dignity!"

"Mr. Damien, we're all looking forward to that! Haha..."