Chapter 23 Kimberly Had Endured Much In Her Marriage

Since Kimberly had already mentioned it, she clearly had a strategy in mind.

Mabel looked at Kimberly expectantly and requested her plan.

Kimberly narrowed her eyes, taking a moment to think before responding with determination. "Let's start by collecting evidence of their scheme to steal project secrets. Once we have concrete proof, we'll expose them all at once."

Her voice was cold and firm, reflecting the seriousness with which she viewed these betrayers as enemies.

Mabel was briefly taken aback, but a look of relief filled her eyes, and she couldn't help but smile.

"We'll proceed as you suggest. I'll begin looking into their conspiracy immediately. Whatever you decide, you have my full support!"

Mabel was not naive. She noticed a shift in Kimberly, particularly when she spoke of Declan. The loathing in Kimberly's eyes was clear.

At first, Mabel thought Kimberly's talk of divorce might be just an impulsive reaction or a mere disagreement with Declan. Now, she was convinced.

Kimberly felt a surge of emotion upon hearing Mabel's support.

In her previous life, Mabel had always shown her unwavering trust and support, no matter what.

Unfortunately, since Declan had rescued her when she was young, she had always seen him through an idealized lens. Even when she felt something was wrong, as long as Declan soothed her with his words and simple explanations, she believed him and refrained from questioning further.

But deep down, she had doubts. Declan often dismissed her concerns with shallow excuses, knowing well that Kimberly would trust him as blindly as Mabel trusted her. His justifications were weak.

The downfall of the Holden Group and Mabel's misfortune was largely due to her misguided trust.

Kimberly harbored deep remorse towards Mabel. Now granted a second

"Are you actually hoping she gets divorced?"

Rocco, who valued his strong moral principles, couldn't help but feel disappointed in his childhood friend.

"Chris, some thoughts are better kept inside. Don't rush into actions that might disrupt someone else's marriage, or you'll lose my respect."

"Are you out of your mind?" Chris replied, amused by Rocco's caution. He scoffed and walked towards the villa across the street. "I have no intention of being anyone's secret lover."

Rocco, Chris, and Felix had grown up together.

Even though Rocco had lost his parents and been cast aside by his calculating relatives, his parents had been close friends with Chris's family. After leaving the Braxton family, Rocco had lived with the Howard family for a decade.

Renee had become quite fond of Rocco, treating him as if he were her own grandson.

To those on the outside, Rocco was practically a Howard, though he seldom attended business events, choosing instead to immerse himself in the medical field.

Even someone as detached from gossip as Rocco was aware of the scandalous nature of Declan and Valerie's relationship; their indiscretion was well known.

They made no effort to hide it.

It was evident that Kimberly had suffered greatly during her year of marriage to Declan.

"But securing a divorce might not be so straightforward." Chris stopped suddenly, his tone somber and deep.

Rocco, caught by surprise, nearly walked into him. He stopped abruptly, his eyes wide in astonishment.

"Declan won't agree to a divorce? Why not? Doesn't he have feelings for Valerie?"

