

Trapped by the Ruthless Billionaire by Lucia Love

Chapter 48

48 – Hunter’s secret, Caleb’s trouble “What happened? Caleb asked Cathan after he hung up. Cathan was as murky as a cloud of rain, making Caleb disturbed.

“He doesn’t seem to need our services. From the looks of it, we will soon be jobless,” Cathan voiced with a grim expression. The three of them used to be inseparable but it seemed that things had changed a lot since Jenna came into the picture. Casper spends every free time he gets with her.

“That’s Impossible. Our job is always secure.” Caleb didn’t know what was going on in Cathan’s mind and responded with his understanding but when Cathan clarified, he was struck with a realization.

“Well, we might be moved to guard somebody else if Casper continues to ignore us.” There were other Blade seniors they could be transferred to but of course, Casper would still be assigned bodyguards whether he liked them or not. Caleb didn’t agree totally and was about to respond when Hunter interrupted them.

“Let’s get this mess cleared guys, stop talking like women.” He was a man of action and worked with precision and speed. Having prevented anyone from coming around by blocking the entrance and keeping the security men at bay till the blood was well cleaned and the bodies disposed meticulously. Though they had called the secret cleaning agency in charge of stuff like this, they couldn’t stand there and do nothing.

“He is so annoying,” Cathan chuckled. Hunter had no entitlement to join them because he wasn’t a Blade but Casper allowed it because of Jenna. He was just afraid of how many more rules were going to be broken before Casper got married to his arranged bride.

“That’s why you should let me beat him. I don’t know why Casper allowed him on our team.” Caleb didn’t know why he was still angry with Hunter. Perhaps it was due to his relationship with Peggy. For as long as he was concerned, Hunter was a coward, toiling with the emotions of an innocent woman.

“His girlfriend is a friend to Jenna, remember?” Cathan hinted in a bitter tone while he helped wrap one dead body with cling film plastic wrap. Caleb nodded as they continued to gossip about Hunter like he was non-existent.

“Jenna has Casper in the palms of her hands now. He only does her bidding,” Caleb acknowledged. How could he have known that the man greatly feared would have a woman as his weakness?

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“That is a big problem,” Cathan hinted, while Hunter listened from the side like he wasn’t paying attention. For as long as they were doing something and not being idle, he didn’t distract them anymore. “What do you mean?” Caleb asked while wrapping another dead body. “What happens when Casper gets married?” Cathan asked. Caleb paused and stared at him like a fool.

“You don’t seem to know our cousin. I foresee that he isn’t going to marry his arranged bride,

“Caleb let out. From how Jenna had become the air, food and water around Casper, how could he marry somebody else? He knew so well that Casper would never toy with Jenna’s emotions but Cathan’s opinion was different.

“That’s impossible. How can he suffer so much for the Blades only to let go of everything?”

Caleb confirmed the Cathan wasn’t thinking straight. He had forgotten how to read the signs.” No wonder Hunter said you talk like a woman. Be prepared for war.” Cathan wasn’t offended. He detected that Caleb had something up in his sleeves. “Do you – know something I don’t know?”

“No. Just study our cousin closely. He’s changing every day. Do you have any idea as to why?” Caleb wasn’t going to spoon feed him. They were too old for that “No.” Cathan knew but he just wanted to see if his assumptions were the same as Calebs’ but it only made Caleb irritated.

“Then you can’t understand anything I’m saying. I think that little girlfriend of yours has eaten your brain. That reminds me. I have to speak to Peggy.” At the mention of Peggy’s name, the hairs on Hunter’s skin stood still. “You mention her name again and I’ll add you to these dead bodies,” he growled.

Caleb was excited. Perhaps if he beat Hunter, he could earn his respect.“Why don’t we settle it? I already said I love her. You don’t seem to. Just leave her for me.” He began to taunt Hunter again. The agents from the cleaning team arrived so Cathan pulled Caleb aside and asked in a whisper after removing his gloves. “You love her?”

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“No. I’m just toiling with him,” Caleb confessed in a whisper. Cathan was pallid and was about to speak when Hunter pulled Caleb by the arm.

“Alright. Come to my hotel after making sure that this mess is out of here.” He released Caleb’s arm and began walking towards the elevator. “Hey, where are you going?” Caleb asked after him. He was enraged to see Hunter behaving like a senior to them.

“To the control room. Don’t you want the footage destroyed?” Hunter asked in a taunting tone. They claimed to be smart but they forgot the cameras. Why are they even bodyguards? Hunter only shook his head and went into the elevator after hearing the ding sound. Caleb was ashamed that he hadn’t thought of it but couldn’t shoulder the blame, hanging it on Cathan. “I said it. You are becoming dumber and dumber. Is sex all you do with your girlfriend?” He asked Cathan in a mocking tone, resurrecting anger inside of him. “Now you are becoming annoying,” Caleb said irritably before recalling something and asking, “Will you go and see him because of Peggy? Stop messing with the guy.” “Why should I? She’s interesting to talk to. Her mind seems to be filled with so many fallacies, it’s interesting,” Caleb let out a half smile. Cathan didn’t duel on it anymore. Since the

cleaners had finished, he just wanted to be with Kate. For as long as the bodyguards hadn’t called him, it meant everything was fine. “Let’s join the girls at the party. I don’t trust these mafias.” “You’re right.” Caleb agreed. While Cathan went to join Kate and Peggy, Caleb went in search of Hunter in the control room. Coming out, they bumped into each other. “I always knew that you were blind.” Hunter taunted Caleb after regaining his stand. He almost fell.

“Just as you are a coward,” Caleb daringly retorted.

“Didn’t you have something to tell me?” Caleb was impatient and didn’t want to banter unnecessarily. Hunter turned grim.“Yes, follow me.” He headed towards his hotel room. Caleb followed amicably and sighed, “To your room? I hope you don’t intend to rape me.” Hunter was irritated and asked, “do you want Peggy or not?” “Of course, I want her.” Caleb felt that Hunter was hiding something and was determined to know. If pocketing the truth was the only way, then so be it. “Are you sure? Because for as long as I reveal this secret, there is no turning back.” Hunter knew that the Blades, though ruthless, were honest. There was no way Caleb was lying about his feelings for Peggy. Caleb was slightly guilty and feigned offense. He was eager to know about what Hunter was hiding. “What? You don’t believe me? Do I look like I’m joking?” “Alright, since you want her, you have her. Pursue her and win her heart.” Hunter observed Caleb’s features when he spoke. He watched as Caleb’s countenance changed from curiosity to anger.

“Is that all you want to tell me?” Caleb was getting upset: after they had reached Peggy and Hunter’s hotel room, he could only tell him to pursue Peggy. Couldn’t he have said that at the car park? There was definitely more to it so he took a deep breath and asked, “Did you not say that you love her? Why are you giving up without a fight?” Hunter was gloomy and his face fell. “Because I can’t make her happy.” “She seems happy to me.” Caleb was confused. Did Hunter and Peggy fight secretly? They always seemed to be happy together.“That is a pretense. Here. She cries every night.” Hunter gave Caleb his phone. A video of Peggy crying was being played. Caleb felt a strange pain in his heart when he saw her curled up in a sofa bawling into a pillow, most probably to muffle the sound of her tears. “You asshole. What did you do to her?” His anger boiled, as he darted his gaze at Hunter

Hunter lifted his hands as a form of surrender. “Nothing. She wanted a taste of sex and I couldn’t give her that so she thought I didn’t love her. She didn’t show any dissatisfaction before me but went into hiding to cry. The video was secretly taken, though it aches me.”

Caleb could see that Hunter wasn’t lying and got even more upset. How could he love her and not be sexually attracted to her? It didn’t make sense to Caleb. All the people he knew to be in love had done it with their partners and in Hunter’s case, they even lived together. “You keep punishing her. If you don’t love her, then stay away f

“I love her. That’s why I’m letting her go. I want her to be happy.” Caleb had heard that phrase before. Yes, it was from Peggy. Now that Hunter used it, it completely lacked substance. “If you love her, then keep her and give her what she wants.”

Hunter facepalmed in pain and turned to face the large win

can never have an erection.” “What? That isn’t funny stop joking.” What a lame excuse? How could a man like Hunter no have an erection which was like saying his cock was dead. Caleb didn’t believe him. “I know it’s funny but I’m not joking.” Hunter went around and sat on the bed. He was shivering slightly, Caleb got worried. His tone was devoid of jokes as he went to sit beside Hunter and asked,“Hey, what happened to you?” Hunter closed his eyes tightly like he was trying to forget but how could he? “Before I met Rahman, I was a secret service assassin. I was given an assignment but when I got to the venue, someone else had done the job but the person killed a wrong target. Before I could flee the scene, I was apprehended by a gang but fought my way out. When I realized it was a plan by someone in the agency to set me up, I quit the secret service and joined Rahman but little did I know that they were still looking for me.”

He shook his head with a bitter expression. “I didn’t introduce my sister to Rahman when I met him. Not Peggy. My biological sister. Someone attacked Rahman’s gang because a member raped and killed his sister.” Hunter clenched his fists and forced himself to explain while Caleb listened attentively,

“The description fit me so they attacked me at home. I thought my sister was in school because I dropped her myself so I fought them without thinking, knowing that she was safe. I killed four men and when I was about to kill the fifth, I heard her scream from upstairs.”

Hunter was shedding tears like a woman and his hunk body trembled. Caleb could only pat him on the shoulder, urging him to continue.“I was so scared of whatever they must have done to her and got distracted. Before I made my way to the stairs to go to her, my manhood was slashed through my pants.” “I didn’t have to check on my sister anymore. She was dumped beside me, after being raped and killed right in my house because I couldn’t protect her. Till now, I have no idea why and how she got back home after I personally dropped her at school and usually picked her up

Silence reigned for five minutes. Caleb knew he wasn’t done but there was no need to rush him. Soon, Hunter broke the silence. He seemed to have regained himself. “They later realized that I was innocent. The culprit was apprehended and justice was served. I personally eliminated each and every member of that gang after my recovery.” “Before then, Rahman had paid for my treatment. Well, what could be done has been done but I have never been the same. I don’t have sensual feelings and no erections after all the surgeries so, I have accepted my fate.” Caleb was devastated and his mood was sour. Now he understood why Hunter was so possessive of Peggy. His love for her was pure and he wasn’t lying because he could only love her as a sister. Guilt welled up inside of him upon realizing how he judged and taunted him wrongly. Hunter was brave and selfless. He just earned Caleb’s respect. “I’m very sorry Hunter, I didn’t mean to…”

“It’s worth it. You love Peggy so I know that she’ll be safe and happy with you.” Caleb opened his mouth, then shut it. He opened it again and shut it. What is going to happen now? Should he tell Hunter the truth? Confusion wedged in his heart.