

## The Ugly Lady Strikes Back

### Chapter 20

Zack Cassidy nodded respectfully. "Fifth Master, what would you like me to do?"

"Make the third most popular topic on the internet stay in the number one spot for a week." Stanley Batton proceeded to walk upstairs after that.

Zack seemed utterly confused as he scratched his head. When did their fifth master start caring about the most popular topics on the internet?

Didn't he always ignore such things?

Moreover, who was unfortunate enough to get on his nerves?

Zack immediately searched for the piece of news. When he saw that it belonged to Emily Quest, he immediately understood what was going on.

This woman must have done something to Xyla Quest yet again.

As a realization hit him, Zack ran after Stanley. "Oh, right. Fifth Master... Your mother has returned."

Before Zack could finish speaking, a noble-looking middle-aged woman with long curly hair walked down the stairs. She was dressed in a white silk cheongsam and a shawl made from the same color's fox fur.

Stanley seemed surprised. "Mother... Why are you home?"

"Have you seen the latest news on the entertainment bulletin?" Sharon Lindt frowned unhappily.

"I never care about such things."

"Do you know that your wife is being bullied?" Sharon asked domineeringly.

"I do."

"Then, why didn't you get rid of those b\*tches? Are you keeping them around for the new year celebrations? She is still your wife no matter what," Sharon added.

"Is that why you left Dad behind and came back from overseas? So that you can tell me that?" Stanley seemed somewhat confused.

"Do you think I came back because I missed you instead?" Sharon rolled her eyes at him.

Stanley sighed helplessly. "It's my own business. I know what to do."

"D\*rn right you should. Despite having a beautiful wife, you don't even look at her. If I made the right guess, you probably haven't even met the girl in person yet, have you?" Sharon could not help but look down at Stanley.

"Do you know what I've been thinking about recently?" Sharon asked again.

"What is it?" Stanley raised his brows at her.

"I wonder if the issue lies with your sexual orientation. Are you in love with Zack Cassidy? Is that why you don't even care about your wife? It's highly suspicious that you two are never apart from each other."

Stanley was at a loss for words. He could not help but smirk coldly.

Meanwhile, Zack's face had turned green.

Zack felt extremely confused.

"Before you received your marriage certificate, I showed you her picture. However, you tossed it into the trashcan without even looking at it. Later, you even threatened to file for divorce if I showed you stuff like that again.

"After that, I told you that your wife has become very beautiful after being cured by your grandfather... You still chose to ignore me and even blocked me on WeChat.

"More importantly, forget the fact that you won't reach out to your wife. You wouldn't even let me, or your dad, reach out to her.

"In summary, it might be true that you really don't like women. Is that true?" Sharon asked solemnly before she glanced at Zack.

"If I were gay, what would you do?" Stanley asked playfully.

"Of course, I would wish you all the best and hope that you let go of that girl. It's miserable to be a gay man's wife. Although our family needs her greatly, I would like you to let her go.

"If you aren't gay, I hope you can try to get closer to her. I really do like her. I would never get sick of that face of hers," Sharon added.

"I never expected you to be this open-minded," Stanley teased.

"Well, what kind of person are you?" Sharon still seemed unsettled.

"You've guessed it wrongly this time," Stanley answered.

"What do you mean?"

"I've already met her, but she doesn't know who I am."

"Huh? What does that mean?"

"There's nothing to it... Just stay out of this. And don't say more than you should."

Stanley continued upstairs as he spoke.

Hearing this, Sharon's eyes immediately lit up. She quickly ran after Stanley. "What do you mean, really?"

Only then did she notice that Stanley's shirt was soaked in the front. "What happened to your shirt? Is that blood?" She seemed horrified.

"You really are my biological mother. You have finally noticed." Stanley rolled his eyes at her.

"I was paying too much attention to my daughter-in-law and forgot about you. I'm sorry. What happened to you?" Sharon asked worriedly.

"I'm fine. My wound, from before, reopened. It's already been taken care of."

"Why are you so reckless?" Sharon asked in a reprimanding tone.

"It's fine. I'm heading back..."

"Wait a second. You have not answered my question. What's going on between you and Xyla?"

Stanley continued to walk away without saying anything.

Sharon looked confused. She turned around to face Zack. "You, explain to me."

"Ahem, I think he means they have met, but Miss Xyla does not know about Fifth Master's real identity."

"Does she not know about his real identity? How did he introduce himself to Xyla?"

"I'm not sure about the specifics. All I know is that Miss Xyla seems to think that our Fifth Master is part of a gang," Zack answered with a straight face.

"Pfft... How did Xyla end up thinking he's one of those people? However, he does look a little intimidating. He might be the kind of person who kills others and burns houses down."

While she spoke, Sharon nodded approvingly at her own statement. The look in her eyes had become certain.

'Is this really his biological mother?' Zack wondered.

"Therefore, does that mean he plans to approach Xyla with that identity? Why is he doing that? Does he find it meaningful?" Sharon asked.

"Perhaps, it's the first time in his life someone doesn't treat him like a prince. It might be something refreshing for him. I'm not too sure," Zack answered.

"Do you think he treats her well?"

"He does. In fact, he just asked me to make the post about Emily Quest, the most popular topic on the internet for a week."

"That's wonderful! It looks like it won't be long before they truly fall for each other. I will go to the temple to make an offering tomorrow." Sharon excitedly played with her hair before running upstairs.

When she reached the top of the stairs, she stopped and turned around to look at Zack. "Zack Cassidy... I think one week is far too short. Make it an entire month and make sure nobody can take it down."

Zack nodded mechanically. 'They really are cruel.'

"However, what's wrong with him? How did he suddenly get connected with Xyla?" Sharon asked yet again.

Zack shook his head to indicate that he was unsure.

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Meanwhile, in the Sullivan family's villa, there was a tense atmosphere in the air.

"What is wrong with Emily Quest? Tom, is this the woman you have chosen? She's embarrassing the Sullivan family every single day!

"We fought hard to stop internet users from boycotting the Sullivan family's consumer goods. Our stock price was beginning to recover too. Now, she's causing us more trouble!"

Tony Sullivan, Tom's father, was sitting on the couch when he fiercely slammed his phone onto the coffee table after reading the news about Emily Quest being arrested.

Tom Sullivan stood across from him with his head down.

Meanwhile, Tom Sullivan's mother, Bailey Ronson, sat with an equally unhappy expression next to Tony Sullivan.

Next to them, Tom Sullivan's eldest brother, Julian Sullivan, sat quietly on a single couch and observed everything with a wry smile.

However, the smile appeared very briefly and went unnoticed.

Very soon, he resumed his usual calm and mild expression.

"I think we should just forget about this woman. Before the engagement, everything was fine. However, ever since you two became engaged, all her bad qualities have surfaced.

"What would happen if you two get married? If she does these awful things every day, what would happen to our business image?" Tony Sullivan seemed absolutely enraged.

Tom Sullivan shivered before he bowed respectfully. "I'm sorry, Dad. If it pleases you, we can call the wedding off immediately."

"Tom... Are you serious?" Bailey Ronson seemed excited.