

The More the Merrier Chapter 591 –

Chapter 591 Arissa Secretly Investigates Raphael

“Ms. York, you should go get some rest too. Mr. Frank said that you haven’t had any rest since morning!” Tim proposed.

Deep down, he was worried that Arissa would continue to dwell on the previous topic.

“Issa, is that true? In that case, you should get some rest. Don’t wear yourself out!” Mary looked at Arissa with concern.

“Since it’s already past afternoon, I don’t feel tired now. Grandaunt, do you want to try some bananas?”

With that, Arissa peeled a banana for Mary.

“Sure!”

Mary took it but immediately handed it over to Tim.

Meanwhile, Tim kept shifting his gaze from Mary to Arissa.

Seconds later, he couldn’t help but ask, “Ms. York, why did you call her Grandaunt?”

Arissa caressed Tim’s hair upon hearing it. “Well, she is my grandaunt now.”

While Tim looked at Mary shockingly, Mary nodded and said with a grin, “That’s true.”

The next moment, Tim’s eyes glinted with delight.

“Who is your grandaunt?” Just then, Jasper’s voice sounded.

At the same time, Gavin, Zachary, Oliver, and Jesse also heard it and looked at them curiously.

“Ms. York calls Grandma Grandaunt!” Tim exclaimed while Arissa and Mary smiled.

Arissa waved at the kids and said, “Sweethearts, come here and greet your Great-grandaunt!”

“Hi, Great-grandaunt!” Gavin said in a sweet voice.

The next moment, Zachary, Oliver, Jasper, and Jesse followed suit.

“Hi, Great-grandaunt!”

“Hi all!” Mary was touched.

Gavin turned to Tim and said, “Tim, you should address Mary as Great-grandaunt like us!”

Tim looked at Gavin for a while before turning his gaze to Mary.

Mary smiled at Tim in response.

Deep down, Mary didn't mind if Tim addressed her as his great-grandaunt like other kids.

Arisa caressed Tim's head and said, “Well, you can still address Mary as Grandma if you like.”

After gazing at Tim for a while, Tim suddenly said, “Great-grandaunt!”

“Good boy!”

Feeling overjoyed, Mary looked at the six kids lovingly.

“Try some bananas!”

“Thank you, Great-grandaunt!” The kids replied and grabbed the fruits on the plate.

Arisa peeled another banana for Mary and said, “Grandaunt, you should eat more bananas. They are good for your health and rich in fiber.”

“Sure.”

Perhaps because Mary was delighted, she had a good appetite and enjoyed the fruits with the six kids.

As Mary began telling stories to the kids, Arissa silently left the room.

“Bradley, please investigate Mary's son. Also, find out what the villagers think about him. Be careful not to expose your identity.”

“Sure. I'll do it right now!”

With that, Bradley turned around to work on it.

Later, Arissa wanted to see Benjamin but didn't enter the room because he was in the middle of a meeting.

When Shaun and a few doctors headed toward Mary's ward, Arissa decided to join them.

The doctors checked Mary over and injected an IV drip on her arm.

Noticing that Arissa seemed worried, Shaun came up to her to explain Mary's condition.

"We inject an IV drip for Mdm. Mary to control her blood sugar level. The result is not bad and better than yesterday."

Arissa heaved a sigh of relief upon hearing it. "Thank you so much!"

"Don't mention it, Arissa. We're indebted to Mdm. Mary for raising Tim. Hence, we should help cure her illness."

Mary could hear their conversation. After a while, she gazed at them and said, "Thank you so much. I know you haven't gotten enough rest because of treating my illness."

"No worries. We're used to working for several days without much rest. Sometimes, we even have to perform surgery for patients for dozens of hours straight! Our exhaustion means nothing as long as we can cure your illness!" Shaun consoled Mary in a friendly tone.

In the meantime, Mary felt touched because they didn't disdain her for being a country bumpkin.

Before this, Mary had never encountered anyone who was kind-hearted enough to treat her like a family member.

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Chapter 592 Robs The Cradle And Have Six Kids

"Dr. Bailey, your medical skills are impeccable even though you're young. I'm sure you must be a top student in your class!"

Shaun beamed with delight upon hearing Mary's compliment.

"Mdm. Mary, I'm not that young anymore, for I'm almost thirty."

"Oh? I thought you are in your early twenties and have just graduated!"

Mary looked at Shaun with surprise, for she couldn't tell he was almost thirty.

Meanwhile, Shaun was overjoyed after receiving Mary's compliment.

Just as Kingsley came in, Shaun said smugly, "Mdm. Mary has said I'm in my early twenties and have just graduated!"

As his lips twitched, Kingsley said to Mary, "Mdm. Mary, don't be fooled by his look. He's already thirty this year and will be thirty-one after celebrating his birthday!"

With a smile, Mary said, "Is that so? I can hardly believe it. Besides, all of you look young!"

Kingsley couldn't help but feel joyful. "Am I young too?"

Mary nodded without hesitation. "Definitely! You're as young as Mr. Graham!"

Kingsley grinned and asked, "Mdm. Mary, do you know how old Benjamin is?"

Shaking her head, Mary said, "Isn't he roughly the same age as you?"

"You're right. Benjamin is thirty-two years old and two years older than us."

Immediately, Arissa turned to Kingsley in disbelief. Is Benjamin really thirty-two years old?

"Daddy is thirty-two years old! Mommy, how old are you?" Gavin asked curiously.

Arissa responded with a smile, "I'm twenty-six this year!"

Instantly, Gavin's mouth widened. "Daddy is six years older than Mommy!"

"He's a little old!" Zachary chimed in and nodded.

"He's so old!" Jasper followed suit.

"He will be almost forty when Mommy is thirty years old!" Oliver added in exaggeration while pushing his glasses.

Meanwhile, Kingsley and Shaun were amused when they heard the kids commenting about Benjamin's age.

As Arissa smiled at the kids, Mary casually asked, "Issa, did you have your first baby when you were twenty?"

After giving it some thought, Arissa nodded and replied, "Yes, you're right!"

Upon hearing it, Kingsley and Shaun exchanged glances and thought to themselves.

At that time, Benjamin was twenty-seven, while Arissa was only twenty. My goodness! He was robbing the cradle!

The next moment, Benjamin and Shaun were even more shocked after looking at the six kids.

Benjamin is impressive. Not only that he has robbed the cradle, but he even has six kids! I'm so jealous!

Arissa was amused when she noticed the change in their expressions.

"What are you thinking of?"

Squinting his eyes, Kingsley asked curiously, "Arissa, were you still studying at the university back then?"

Arissa nodded. "Yeah! Why?"

"It's nothing!"

Kingsley flashed Arissa a smile but silently teased Benjamin for laying a finger on Arissa when she was so young.

Kingsley was interested to know how Benjamin and Arissa got together. However, he bit his tongue after recalling how Danna schemed against Arissa in the past.

Later, Kingsley couldn't help but ask another question with a grin. "Arissa, is Benjamin dating you now?"

Feeling slightly curious, Arissa looked at Kingsley for a while and responded, "No."

As expected, Kingsley couldn't believe his ears.

"He has said that he doesn't like me. In that case, why would he date me?" Arissa explained while pursing her lips.

Arissa vividly remembered Benjamin's arrogant face when he warned her against having feelings for her.

Kingsley's lips twitched when he heard it. "Well, men seldom reveal their inner thoughts!"

Arissa flashed Kingsley a smile and argued, "As far as I know, men always claim that women never say what they feel."

Kingsley chuckled at it and said, "Arrisa, Benjamin might be handsome, but he's a boring person. If he doesn't like you, he wouldn't have let you come close to him within half a meter. All the more so, he even—"

As Kingsley was speaking, he made a gesture to insinuate their intimacy.

Arrisa's face reddened almost instantly.

"You got it wrong. We didn't do anything!" Gritting her teeth, Arrisa lowered her voice to deny the claim.

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Chapter 593 He Is An Iceberg

Kingsley was observant. He noticed her blush and smiled. "He didn't kiss you?"

Arrisa did not know what to say.

This jerk. No wonder Benjamin told me to ignore him.

She walked away from him and went to accompany Mary.

Kingsley chuckled quietly.

Shaun patted Kingsley's shoulder and whispered in warning, "Be careful. Benjamin might come after you!"

Kingsley shrugged and replied, "I didn't do anything!"

Shaun scoffed.

"If I'm not mistaken, they were cuddling on the couch..." Kingsley whispered to Shaun.

"Who were cuddling?" Jesse looked up at Kingsley and Shaun curiously.

Kingsley looked at Jesse's curious gaze and smiled. He held Shaun closer and said, "We were cuddling."

Jesse looked disgusted and ran to Jasper.

"Mr. Watts, I never knew you were someone like that!" Jasper said disdainfully.

Oliver looked disgusted too.

Zachary and Gavin also looked aghast upon hearing Kingsley. "What a sissy. How embarrassing!"

Shaun quickly pushed Kingsley away and stood by the side, not wanting the children to think he was a sissy.

On the other hand, Kingsley's expression darkened, and he argued, "How is that sissy?"

"Everyone can see that is sissy! Hmph!" Gavin looked disgusted.

His reply prompted Kingsley to tear up in exasperation.

Arisa let out an amused chuckle.

"Mr. Watts, you won't be able to find a wife if you behave like this!" Jesse took a good look at Kingsley and reminded him solemnly.

Shaun and the others could not help but laugh upon hearing that.

"Haha!" Even Mary could not help laughing. "Kingsley is elegant and good-looking. However, a man should be more manly."

Initially, Kingsley felt comforted by Mary's words but hearing the second half of her sentence made him dejected again.

"Mdm. Mary, I'm not usually like this. I was only joking, so please don't misunderstand!" Kingsley explained.

Mary chuckled.

However, Gavin continued to roast him and said, "You are usually like this!"

Kingsley glared at Gavin. "Gavin, you are rude today. How can you say that? Am I usually like that?"

"Yes, you are extremely sissy compared to Daddy!" Gavin replied.

"Haha!" Arissa did not stop herself from laughing.

Kingsley flushed with fury. "Your father is a poker-faced iceberg. Don't you know that is abnormal?"

Suddenly, the air turned tense and shrouded with a sense of threat.

Kingsley felt his senses tingling and turned around to find himself looking straight into Benjamin's chilling gaze. He instantly felt numb with fear, and a chill spread down his neck.

Then, his mouth twitched and formed an awkward smile. "Benjamin, it was all a joke. I wasn't criticizing you!"

Benjamin glared at him coldly and turned to Shaun. "Can you prescribe some medicine to keep him from rambling like a lunatic?"

"I'll prescribe some for him soon!" Shaun answered.

Kingsley's expression darkened. However, he did not say anything when he saw Benjamin's stern gaze.

I'm not sick. Why should I take medicine?

Meanwhile, Arissa watched their interactions and found them funny.

"Arissa, come here!" Benjamin called Arissa over.

Arissa looked at Benjamin in confusion and went to him.

Benjamin glanced at his watch and said, "I will go out for a while. You are to stay here and not go anywhere!"

Arissa looked at him strangely. "You should go ahead and deal with your matter. I will stay here to accompany Grandaunt!"

Benjamin's gaze flickered, and he frowned. "Grandaunt?"

Arissa smiled and explained that she accepted Mary as family and decided to call her Grandaunt.

Benjamin understood and nodded. "Don't go anywhere!"

Arissa pursed her lips. "Okay, I understand!"

Benjamin took another glance at her before leaving with Ethen.

Arissa was curious about where they were going.

Meanwhile, Kingsley saw that Benjamin was leaving and caught up with him. "Benjamin, where are you going?"

Benjamin glared at him. "Are you free?"

Kingsley blinked bewilderedly. "I'm all right!"

Benjamin glanced at Ethen, and Ethen immediately pulled Kingsley aside.

"Mr. Watts, we are in the midst of an urgent matter, so stop fooling around! Otherwise, you give us no choice but to send you to the desert area to pioneer a business!" Ethen said.

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Chapter 594 Arissa Discovered What Tim Experienced

Kingsley looked at Ethen curiously. "What is it? Does Benjamin has something going on here?"

Ethen patted his shoulder. "Don't ask. I can't tell you!"

Why so mysterious?

Then, Ethen saw Benjamin entering an elevator and rushed to him.

Kingsley smiled as he met Benjamin's warning gaze and waved goodbye.

Seeing him, Benjamin pursed his lips and looked away.

Then, he instructed Ethen, "Get a bodyguard to watch him."

"Yes, Sir!" Ethen chuckled. Kingsley was a busybody, so Ethen was sure that he would follow them in secret.

After that, Benjamin came to the hospital's ground floor and noticed the suspicious Regan from the corner of an eye.

He narrowed his eyes and instructed Ethen, "Assign Kingsley this task!"

"Yes, Sir!" Ethen answered. He also noticed Regan and quickly called Kingsley on the phone.

Meanwhile, Kingsley was being watched by two of Benjamin's bodyguards when he received Ethen's phone call. After answering it, he said excitedly, "Listen, your boss asked me to watch someone!"

The two bodyguards followed him.

Benjamin felt at ease that Kingsley was following Regan.

Then, Benjamin and Ethen went to Rutaceae Village.

They did not meet Raphael but went to see the superintendent.

The superintendent knew who Benjamin was, so he quickly invited Benjamin into the office and served him tea.

After half an hour, Benjamin and Ethen left and rushed to Northstream.

“Don’t let Mdm. Mary finds out that Raphael is in there,” Benjamin ordered solemnly.

“Yes, Sir!” Ethen replied and went to inform everyone to keep the matter a secret.

Meanwhile, Bradley was stunned to see Benjamin’s car.

He went in and was astounded to discover that the police had arrested Raphael after a tip from Tim.

Thus, he thought for a moment and felt he should inform Arissa.

Soon, Arissa received a call from Bradley. She quickly left the ward to answer it in a secluded spot. “Bradley, did you find anything?”

“Boss, I just discovered that the police arrested Raphael after Tim’s tip. He...” Bradley paused and was worried that Arissa could not take what he was about to say.

“What did he do?” Arissa was stunned to find out that her son had reported Raphael.

It means Raphael has done something terrible.

“He abused Mdm. Mary and had beaten up Tim!” Bradley answered furiously.

Arissa was shocked by the revelation and felt heartbroken for Tim.

Mdm. Mary is weak from illness, and Tim is only a small child. How dare he abuse them? How can Raphael bear to harm his biological mother? He is a monster!

Arissa thought about her son growing up in such a frightening environment. Her heart sank and constricted painfully.

“Did it happen frequently?” Arissa asked.

“I have asked them for more details. The police have also gathered evidence. They told me that Raphael has a gambling addiction. He would demand money from Mdm. Mary and Tim. If they could not give him money, he would beat them up. Furthermore, he owes a lot of debt. The debtors came and messed up their home to demand payment. It

could be due to Mdm. Mary's severe injury that Tim reported to the police. I also found surveillance footage of Tim!" Bradley explained.

Bradley told Arissa everything he found in his investigation. He looked at how pitiful and helpless Tim seemed in the surveillance footage and felt sad for him.

"Do you have a surveillance footage?" Arissa clenched her fist.

Bradley hesitated before saying, "Yes, would you like me to send it to you?"

"Yes, send it to me!" Arissa wanted to know everything about her son.

She wanted to understand what he had gone through.

Soon, Arissa began watching the surveillance record.

Tim looked dirty and wore shabby clothes. She could not see his face clearly, but he seemed like a beggar.

Arissa felt her heart constrict. Seeing Tim like this, she finally knew he had been through a lot.

When she rushed from Dellmoor to see Tim for the first time, he had already changed his clothes.

It was probably Ethen who bought the clothes. Tim also had a bath, so he looked clean.

However, the surveillance footage showed what Tim was usually like.

Bradley called her phone again. "Boss, don't be sad. You must take care of your health!"

"Okay!" Arissa sniffled and wiped the tears from her face.

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Chapter 595 Do Not Tell Him

"Bradley, can you go to the village to find out more about Tim's situation?" Arissa instructed Bradley.

Meanwhile, Bradley stood at the door and was about to head off. "Boss, I will go there now and call you if I find anything."

"Sure, be careful," Arissa reminded before hanging up the call.

She watched the surveillance footage again and sighed.

At the same time, Gavin and the other children also found out that Raphael had been arrested due to Tim. Thus, Gavin called Tim to meet in the neighboring room.

Zachary asked, "Tim, the police have arrested your Uncle Raphael. Did you report him?"

Tim looked at them for a moment before nodding.

Then, Gavin asked, "Why did you ask the police to arrest him? Did he do something wrong?"

Oliver and Jasper also looked at Tim curiously.

Tim nodded. "He hit Great-grandaunt!"

The other children exchanged glances.

Zachary asked, "Did he hit you too?"

He must have been violent that Tim reported him.

Tim looked down and shook his head. "He did not hit me!"

However, the four other children exchanged glances again and did not believe Tim.

"Tim, you have to tell us the truth. We will help you!" Jasper looked at Tim with a frown.

"Tim, you need to tell us the truth so that we can help you! We must punish bad people!" Oliver advised him.

Zachary asked, "Tim, are you sure he never hit you?"

Gavin added, "Tim, you can tell us. We promise we won't tell Mommy!"

Tim looked at them. After some time, he finally nodded and said, "He hit me before!"

"That monster! He is evil. How can he hit a child? Furthermore, how could someone hit his mother? He is worse than a beast!" Zachary responded furiously.

"How dare he hit Tim! I will teach him a lesson when I see him!" Oliver added. The four children were all furious after hearing what Raphael had done.

Tim was touched to see them feeling indignant on their behalf.

However, he remembered how vengeful Raphael was and felt afraid. "Do you think they will release him?"

Gavin and the others comforted him. "Don't worry. We will ask Daddy for help. He will know how to stop Raphael from leaving the prison."

"Other than hitting you and Great-grandaunt, did he do anything else?" Gavin asked.

Tim frowned and began to inform Gavin and the others of all the bad things Raphael did. "He loves gambling and borrowed money from loan sharks!"

After Tim finished speaking, Gavin, Zachary, Oliver, and Jasper hugged him. "Tim, we will protect you from now on. We won't allow anyone to bully you anymore!"

They all thought that Tim had suffered too much.

"Thank you!" Tim was moved by them.

"I hid from him sometimes, so he only hit me a few times. He had hit Great-grandaunt too when she was trying to protect me. In the end, she suffered a severe injury. One time, he hit her until she bled and fell to the floor..." Tim suddenly choked on his words and could not continue.

The other four children's hearts ached. They hugged him to give him strength.

"Tim, we should tell Daddy, and he will get people to teach Raphael a lesson!" Gavin said furiously.

"No, you must not tell Mr. Graham!" Tim looked down.

"Why not?" Zachary looked at Tim in confusion. "Although the police have arrested Raphael, he would be released in a few days if we don't ask Mr. Graham for help. While we can teach him a lesson ourselves, we are still children. It is better to lock him up. Thus, we need Mr. Graham's help for that!"

"I... I'm afraid that Mr. Graham will worry!" Tim bit his lower lip. He did not want to tell Benjamin what had happened, fearing that he would worry.

Gavin smiled and patted Tim's head. "Tim, even if we don't tell Daddy, he will still find out. Perhaps, he already knows about it. How did Daddy find you?"

Tim was stunned. "He found me in the hospital!"

"I believe Mr. Graham must have found you by following the clues. He searched for you the whole night!" Jasper stroked his chin.

Meanwhile, Oliver adjusted his glasses. "I think the surveillance cameras must have recorded you when you went to make a police report. They searched the entire city for you based on this clue."