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Chapter 121

After Ingrid hung up. Shaun asked, "What did Rick say?"

Ingrid snorted and scolded in a high pitched voice, "What else can Rick say? How could Rick take Joanna's son away?"

"Joanna failed to take after her son, and now she's slandering Rick like a mad dog!"

"What a b***h. It would be great if Joanna's son had been kidnapped. Oh, right. I heard that some people specialize in kidnapping children.

"Those traffickers would deliberately c*le **children, throw them out on the street, and ask them to beg for money.

"Haha. It would be great if Joanna's da***n son was taken away by those traffickers!"

Shaun frowned and said, "You're being vicious. Joann is my daughter, and her child is my grandson. How can you curse Irvin like that?"

"Oh, Joanna is your daughter. Then how about Roxy? Roxy would have not become what she is today if it wasn't because of Joanna. And now you're still defending Joanna!"

Shaun said, "I'm not defending Joanna!"

Without waiting for Shaun to finish, Ingrid waved her hand and said impatiently. "Never mind. I don't want to argue with you. I'm going out to play poker!"

As she spoke, Ingrid went upstairs to get her handbag and was about to leave.

Shaun complained, "All you do every day is play poker. How much money did you lose in playing poker?"

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Ingrid would tell Shaun she had lost money in poker after she secretly gave the money to her two cousins and failed to make the accounting right.

Actually, Ingrid used all the money to support her two cousins.

However, Ingrid's cousins did not take the money without doing anything. They would do their best to serve Ingrid. After seeing her cousins, Ingrid would feel really good.

Ingrid said, "I'll know when I've had enough! Don't be so annoying!"

When speaking. Ingrid took her bag and left.

Today, Ingrid had asked her two cousins out to negotiate..

Each of Ingrid's cousins had asked Ingrid for 2 million dollars. Ingrid delayed it for so long that her cousins almost lost patience.

Ingrid hated her two cousins deeply now. She finally realized what her cousins really wanted and was not going to continue the relationship with them.

Unfortunately, Ingrid's cousins had recorded many videos of them "playing poker" together.

Sitting in the photography studio and considering for a while, Joanna decided to call the police.

Joanna said, "I can't wait any longer. I'm calling the police now!"

Jaydon replied, "We can't call the police now because we don't have any evidence. Even if the police arrest Derick, if there's no evidence, they'll just keep Derick up for 24 hours at most. Then Derick will be free again."

Joanna and Jaydon were still figuring out a plan.

Bruce thought for a moment. Then he took out his phone to call Derick.

Beep. Beep Beep.

Derick's phone rang. He immediately picked up after he saw that it was Bruce.

“Hi, Bruce?” said Derick,

Bruce frowned and asked. “Where are you?”

Derick answered, “Oh, I’m outside. What’s the matter, Bruce?”

Roxanne and Bruce had not gotten married yet, but Derick and Ryan had already treated Bruce as a family member and called Bruce by his first name.

“I’m looking for you. Where are you?” Bruce’s tone was cold.

“Right now?” asked Derick.

“Yes!” said Bruce.

Derick said, “Well, I’m afraid I don’t have time now. Maybe later?” Derick had just sent another bag to that barely-known star, and now he was dating her.

Bruce replied, “No. Where are you now? I’ll send a driver to pick you up.”

Derick said, “Bruce, I’m really sorry. Honestly, I don’t have time to see you now. How about another day? I’ll buy you lunch another day. I gotta go!” Then Derick hurriedly hung up the phone.

Noticing Bruce’s tone was bad, Derick knew Bruce would probably not give him something good if he went to see Bruce. Besides, Derick was guilty and did not dare to see Bruce.

The girl asked curiously, “Who’s that?”

Derick replied, “Hey. Nothing. It’s just my brother-in-law.”

The girl’s eyes lit up. She said, “Your brother-in-law? Isn’t that Mr. Everett?”

Derick straightened his back proudly and replied, “Exactly!”

“Why did Mr. Everett call you?”

“Nothing. Oh, by the way, I saw Bruce had a great car in his garage days ago. I’ll ask my sister to drive it out another day and give it to you!”

Hearing this, the girl became ecstatic and cried, “Really?”

“Babe, when have I ever lied to you? My brother-in-law is Bruce Everett, the richest man in Greyporth. You’ll live a wonderful life if you agree to be mine!”

After that, Derick took that girl to bed.

20 minutes later.

Boom! Someone kicked the door open when Derick and the girl were busy in bed.

About eight muscular men in black barged in without explaining.

Derick and the girl were so frightened that they hurriedly covered themselves with the blanket. Derick asked, “Who are you? What do you want?”

“Get up and come with us!”

Derick took a closer look at the leader of the men in black and recognized that man was Bruce’s bodyguard. Then Derick sighed in relief and asked, “Did Bruce send you?”

“Cut the crap and come with us!” Those burly men did not let Derick ask any questions and dragged Derick down from the bed.

Derick was in a terrible state, shouting, “Wait, wait! At least let me put on my pants!”

Soon, Derick was brought to the studio. He was disheveled and only wore a pair of pants.

“Mr. Everett, we’ve got Derick here!”

When Joanna saw Derick, she became even more agitated. Joanna asked, “Derick, did you take my son away?”

When speaking. Joanna pounced on Derick. She looked like a lunatic.

Derick sneered. Then he looked at Joanna arrogantly and said, "Are you crazy? Why would I take away your son?"

Joanna retorted, "It must be you. I checked the surveillance and found that you showed up at the photography studio in the morning. No one has a reason to take my son except you!

"Tell me where my son is now! If you don't, I'll call the police!"

Derick said, "Go ahead. Anyway, I don't know where your son is! I've never seen him before either!"

Derick looked like he was not afraid of anything.

Derick thought, "There are no surveillance cameras in the photography studio, and no one has seen me take that kid away!

"Besides, I have a compelling alibi. Even if the police interrogate me, they won't get anything out of me."

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Bruce raised his eyebrows and said, "Are you still not going to say it?"

Derick covered his scalded arm and hesitated for a while.

Then Derick replied, "Bruce, I don't know where Joanna's son is."

"Hahaha." Bruce laughed sinisterly.

Bruce said, "I didn't even tell you which child Joanna lost. How did you know Joanna's son but not her daughter was missing?"

Hearing this, Derick paused and realized he had given himself away.

Everyone only asked Derick if he had seen Joanna's child. No one had told Derick if it was a boy or a girl.

Derick looked around nervously and stammered, "Bruce, I... I'm just guessing."

Bruce said, "It looks like I should push you harder."

When speaking, Bruce gestured to his bodyguards..

Immediately, four bodyguards stepped forward. They took Derick down, grabbed his ankles, and turned him upside down. Then, they stuffed Derick into the toilet bowl again.

A bodyguard kept pressing the flush button.

The water kept rushing into Derick's nose.

Derick could not breathe this time. He could not even struggle. Water flowed into Derick's nose and throat.

"Ugh! Ugh!" Derick kept coughing.

Derick twisted his body and tried to struggle.

Unfortunately, Bruce's bodyguards were all one-in-a-million combat experts. Dealing with Derick was a piece of cake for those bodyguards.

Derick's body fell straight into the toilet bowl, and his head was tightly stuck in it.

At this moment, Derick was in fear of drowning. Derick had never been tortured like this in his life.

Bruce asked, "How about that? Can you tell me the truth now?"

was getting weaker and weaker, Bruce finally asked his bodyguards to let

his

pitiful, with his

face such brutality and turned

and have no evidence to confirm it.

"Bruce, stop torturing Derick."

and continued to interrogate Derick, "Where is the child? This is your last chance. You know I

a feeling that Derick had taken away the child. Moreover, if Bruce wanted an answer from a person, he would definitely get

a few times,

count to three. If you don't answer me, I'll get some lo throw you into the sea to feed

open sea. Then, they tied their enemies up

people would spend money to hire those gangs. After taking the money, those gangs would finish their job without

counted

beating faster.

shouted, "Bruce, don't forget you're

Derick's shouting and continued, "Two."

I swear I don't

Bruce stood up and snapped his fingers at

indication and took out a black plastic bag. They were going to put it

was so scared that he peed

L... I'll tell you. I'll

back to herself and asked, "Where is

terrified and stammered, "You child is...

words were like a clap

Derick said, Joanna gasped, and her feet were so weak

the roof!”

and

and the bodyguards also ran toward

floors and a cistern on the roof.

imagine what would happen if a four-year-old child was thrown into a

they reached

ten-foot-tall cistern with a diameter of about five

up the ladder of

had no handrails and

did not care if it was dangerous now.

He grabbed Joanna’s wrist and dragged her down, saying, “Joanna, it’s dangerous up

over and

the lid of

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The bodyguard had no choice but to pull open Irvin’s little hand. Then he carried Irvin up

Three hours ago.

Derick covered Irvin’s mouth and nose, and Irvin fainted. Then, he put Irvin into a trash bag and lifted Irvin to the roof. After that, Derick threw Irvin into

the cistern

After tinking into the water, Irvin felt the coldness from the water and woke up.

Fortunately, Joanna had sent Davian and Irvin to learn how to swim since they were young. Therefore, Irvin quickly surfaced after sinking into the water. However, Irvin was just a child and did not have good stamina.

Irvin had been grabbing the water pipe for three hours.

After working for a while, the bodyguards finally rescued Irvin.

“Here he is! He’s out!”

“Irvin!” Joanna immediately rushed forward as if she was on steroids.

Irvin’s body was wet, and his face was pale. He widened his eyes in fear as if he was too shocked to speak.

“Irvin, it’s mommy!” Joanna quickly pulled Irvin into her arms and hugged Irvin as she wailed.

“Mommy?” Irvin was stunned and scared. After a while, he burst into tears.

Earlier in the cistern, Irvin relied on his willpower to hold on for three hours in the water. He knew he was safe since he saw his mommy. Thus, Irvin cried in grievance and fear.

“Irvin, baby, it’s alright! It’s all mommy’s fault. I’m so sorry!” said Joanna.

Seeing Joanna cry like this, Bruce’s heart ached. Bruce also got teary eyes as if he could feel Joanna’s pain. Then Bruce could not help hugging Joanna and Irvin tightly.

Bruce said, “Irvin is weak now. Hurry up and send him to the hospital.”

“Right. Right! I need to go to the hospital!” Joanna hurriedly carried Irvin and walked toward the stairs.

Irvin was cold. He must be sent to the hospital now.

At this moment, Joanna could not be bothered to blame Derick.

A group of people rushed to the hospital.

Twenty minutes later.

Bruce, Joanna, and the others took Irvin to the hospital

Joanna said, “Doctor, please save my child!”

Soon, Irwin was sent to an emergency room.

Irvin was greatly frightened to death. Fortunately, his life was not in danger.

On the contrary, Joanna could not hold on any longer. She closed her eyes and fell.

Bruce cried, “Joanna, are you okay?” Then he caught Joanna and asked a doctor to come over.

Within a minute, Joanna was also sent to an emergency room.

Bruce’s heart was beating faster. He paced anxiously outside the emergency room.

After a while, the doctor finished the examination for Joanna and walked out of the emergency room.

Then Joanna was taken out by the nurses.

“Doctor, is everything okay with Joanna? She kept trembling uncontrollably

from hypoglycemia. Coupled with the sequela caused by overdosing

What’s that?”

on the prescription. Most women take it to treat

tightly. He thought, “If so, does Joanna

is that possible?

such a strong woman. How come

sending Joanna to ward and giving her two bottles of glucose IV. She may need a long
said
ward with glucose IV. dripping into
Bruce could not help
IV. was finished, Joanna woke up from
Joanna woke up too fast and accidentally touched the
and said, "Don't
She threw the pillow away and said, "I'm going to see
did not care about anything but her son. Joanna did not even remember to put on her shoes and
hurriedly ran toward
son is fine now. He's
I need to check Irvin by
stop Joanna, so he could only bring her to see Irvin.
in his arm.
and gently held Irvin's hand. Tears ran down
what she would do if Irvin died.
gently hugged Joanna's shoulder and comforted her,
cried, she suddenly thought of something. Then she suddenly raised her head and looked at Bruce with
bloodshot eyes.
bastard Derick? I must kill him!"
I've got people to keep an eye on him."
instantly gritted her teeth in hatred. Her entire body was trembling. Joanna murmured, "This crazy
bastard. I
price!"
me. However, if they hurt my children, I will fight them
with her
two cousins finally showed who
off and took many indecent photos of her. Then, they played all kinds of "games" with Ingrid..
making it rough for Ingrid. Moreover, they did not care about
these exciting "games." However, ever since each of her two cousins asked Ingrid for 2 million dollars

negotiations, Ingrid could not even stand straight. Her lower abdomen hurt terribly.

Ingrid was about to go home, her

Beep. Beep. Beep.

and saw that there were several missed calls. Oddly, they

the phone and asked,

voice came from the other end of the phone, "Mrs. Haynes, has Derick

hated it when people spoke to her without introducing themselves. Thus, Ingrid immediately pulled a long face and asked, "Who are you? Why

I'm Derick's

this, she said in a softer tone, "Oh,

men in black suddenly took Derick away! I didn't know what to do, so I'm

Some men in black took Derick away? Who

over the phone, "I don't know. They said Mr.

now. I'm afraid that something will happen to him. All I can do is to call you, but I couldn't get through your phone

body went cold, and she felt a premonition of something horrible. Then Ingrid replied, "Oh, okay. I got it."

phone, Ingrid hurried to the garage. She ignored the pain in

through, Ingrid said anxiously, "Hi, hubby!"

Have you lost all your

replied, "No. Is

"No, Rick's not

heart beat faster. Ingrid said, "Someone just called me and told me that Bruce had taken

away? Why

"How would I

to call Bruce and ask him

oh, on it

the side and felt nervous, "Dad, what happened?"

mother just called and said Bruce had taken Rick away. Hurry up and call

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Ingrid and Shaun's faces changed. They began to suspect that Derick had kidnapped Joanna's stin until now.

However, Ingrid was always unreasonable and would argue with anyone even though she did not have advantages. Thus, Ingrid would defend Derick even if Derick did something wrong.

Ingrid shouted, "You can't just do what you want to my son, no matter what happens.

"Who do you think you are? How dare you beat my son up like this?" Ingrid shouted and untied her son, distressed.

Roxanne gingerly shook Bruce's arm and said, "Bruce, maybe this is just a misunderstanding.

"Derick is my younger brother. Why can't we talk things out? Why did you have to beat him up like this?"

Shaun also complained, "Joann, Rick is also your younger brother. How can you beat your brother so badly?"

"We're a family. Why can't we talk things out? Look at your brother. A sister should never do this to her brother."

Joanna retorted, "Hmph. Derick wouldn't have done such a crazy thing if he treated me as his sister! Why don't you ask Derick what he had done first?"

Shaun frowned but still spoke arrogantly, "As long as Ingrid and I are here, you don't have the qualification to teach Derick a lesson, no matter what he did."

Hearing what Shaun said, Joanna was speechless. Joanna did not want to continue the conversation with them. She thought, "I knew it. Dad is always biased."

is charged with an intentional

this, her eyes widened. Then Ingrid retorted sternly, "That's impossible. Who did Rick don't make any slanders. You'll see when the police arrive."

this, Ingrid lost a little of her aggressiveness and

Derick, "Did you take

not dare to speak. It seemed that Derick admitted what he had you be so stupid? How could you do such a thing?

your sister, and her

to Joann

stuttered, "The

dreadful because he thought that the child
mom, I was just hot headed. It was a one-time lapse in judgment. I didn't do it on
voice and shouted, "What did
had goosebumps. She said to Shaun, "Why are you yelling? You
tell me what
burst into tears.
finally felt a lingering fear. He had committed the crime of intentional homicide and would
heart attack. Shaun clutched his chest and
was dumbfounded. She hit Derick in exasperation and shouted, "Derick! Are you out
was also terrified and cried, "Rick, did you
Irvin into a cistern and almost killed
Ingrid and Shaun were relieved

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Ingrid said exasperatedly, "Hey, do you have to call the police for this? It's no big deal."
Hearing Ingrid's words, Joanna was speechless and furious, retorting, "No big deal? Wow, you are
excellent at putting things lightly Derick committed a crime of intentional homicide!"
Ingrid shouted, "Your son is alive, isn't he? This is a prank at best! How can you be like this, thinking of
ways to send your brother to prison!"
Joanna didn't bother to continue the conversation with Ingrid. Thus, Joanna said, "I don't want to
continue to talk with you. Just wait for the police and let them judge."
"Did Derick play a prank or commit a crime? I'm sure the police will have their judgment!" Joanna
turned around and was about to leave after finishing
her words.
Joanna did not want to waste one more second on Ingrid and Derick.
"Don't you walk away from me!" shouted Ingrid.
Joanna replied, "I don't want to talk with you!"
Realizing that Joanna was serious, Ingrid panicked.
Roxanne was also anxious and said, "Intentional homicide? Derick will be charged as an attempted
murderer even if he didn't kill anyone! If so, Derick will still be sentenced."
Ingrid snorted coldly and replied, "No need to worry. How come this is Intentional homicide? Joanna just
intimidated us, so don't listen to her! It is a prank at best."
When Shaun heard Ingrid's words, Shaun was so angry that he felt his heart even more painful. Then he
raised his hand to slap Ingrid and shouted, "You are such an ignorant woman!"
Ingrid widened her eyes and wanted to launch a drama when Shaun slapped her. However, looking at
Shaun's horrible face, Ingrid did not dare to say a word because she knew Shaun was really angry.
Derick shouted, "Mom, I don't want to go to jail! Please help me. I don't want to go to jail!"
Shaun replied, "Why did you do such a s**d thing back then since you know the price is going to jail? It's

good for you to go to jail for a few years. Maybe things in the jail will change you, so you won't do more bad things to destroy society's stability!" Shaun was so disappointed in his son for the first time.

When Ingrid heard this, she was completely anxious and said, "Hubby, Rick's reputation will be ruined if he really has to go to jail. How can he continue his career in Greyport in the future?"

Roxanne hurriedly held Joanna's arm and said, "Joann, please forgive Rick this time. I believe Rick already learned a lesson."

Joanna flung Roxanne's hand away and said coldly, "No way. If I forgive Derick this time, he will do it again! Derick has to accept the punishment by law for committing a crime"

Roxanne said, "Derick is our brother, and we are a family. Do you have to make our relationship so bad?"

Then Roxanne begged Bruce, "Bruce, say something to Joann!"

Bruce frowned and said, "This is your family's business. I can't step in to persuade Joanna."

Ingrid tugged at Shaun's sleeve and begged, "Hubby, do you really want Rick to go to jail? His life will be ruined if he is sent to jail!"

Shaun just said those words out of anger. Derick was Shaun's favorite child. Thus, it was impossible that Shaun would sit back and do nothing to save

Derick.

Shaun said, "Joann, I apologize to you on behalf of Rick.

"After all, Rick is your brother. Do you really want him to go to jail?"

Joanna sneered and replied, "Derick has never viewed me as his sister, so why should I view him as my younger brother?"

"Also, you're family. I'm just an outsider!"

Ingrid was so angry that her heart ached. She gritted her teeth and said, "Hubby, did you hear Joanna's words? She is ashamed of us after she got married.

"Joanna has long stopped treating herself as a member of the Haynes family. She either tricks Roxy or harms Rick. Joanna causes lots of trouble for us. If I were you, I would slap this **h!"

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Hearing Joanna's words, Ingrid flared up again and shouted, "Did my son commit a crime? It's pt up to you to judge!"

Shaun warned Ingrid, "Shut your mouth right now!"

Then Shaun said, "Joann, just forgive Rick this time. I'm begging you. If Rick goes to jail, how can he have a foothold in Greyport?"

"Rick was in a moment of madness but learned his lesson. Please forgive him this time. I'm kneeling to beg you!"

Plop! As Shaun spoke, he really knelt in front of Joanna.

Joanna immediately said, "Dad, get up. Don't do this." Joanna felt disgusted and quickly looked away to avoid looking at Shaun.

Shaun continued, "If you refuse to forgive Rick, I will keep kneeling!" Then Shaun was about to kneel in front of Joanna again.

Joanna was annoyed and frustrated. Joanna immediately held Shaun up and said, "Dad, please. Stop it."

"Shaun's eyes turned red, and tears rolled down his chubby cheeks. Shaun said in a muffled voice, ""Joarin, Rick is your brother! You can't be so heartless as to send him to jail!"

When speaking, Shaun held his chest and took a few deep breaths. It looked like Shaun could not catch his breath.

Ingrid shouted, "Your father has a heart disease. Take out his pills!"

Hearing Ingrid's order, Roxanne replied, "Got it! Got it!" Then Roxanne hurriedly took out a bottle of pills from Shaun's pocket.

Roxanne put several pills into Shaun's mouth. After that, Shaun took a while to recover and finally could breathe again.

Roxanne cried as she patted Shaun's heart, "Dad, how do you feel now?"

Joanna stood by the side nervously and asked, "Dad, are you alright?"

Ingrid rebuked Joanna in a high-pitched voice, "Hmph, your father has heart disease and high blood pressure. Are you trying to kill your father with your stubborn attitude and harsh words?"

Shaun rolled his eyes and warned Ingrid, "Just keep silent!"

Ingrid snorted, "Hmph!"

Shaun took another deep breath and looked at Joanna pitifully, saying, "Joann..."

Joanna closed her eyes and let out a breath. Then Joanna interrupted Shaun, "Dad, enough. Stop talking"

some slack but I need a written guarantee

guarantee?" asked

crime and sign the document. If Derick dares to hurt my son again, I'll give the evidence to the police."

said, "Okay, okay. I'll get Rick

to go to Irvin's bed and apologize to

will do

wrote a guarantee and went

saying, "I'm so sorry!

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"Enough. Enough! Rick, you've completed it. Save some

let's leave

speaking, Ingrid hurriedly went forward to hold Derick. Then Derick hobbled out of

seriously injured but did not dare to stay in this hospital for treatment. Shaun and Ingrid hurriedly brought Derick to another

in distress. She checked Derick's wounds and said, "You are such a silly boy. Even if you wanted to do

"Oh my, who

Everett. He burnt me with his own hands. Bruce is not my brother-in-law. I don't want to see Bruce as a member of our

it was not because of Bruce! No one would know I did

to you? You're Mr. Everett's brother-in-law. No, I can't believe it. I'll

it hurt?" asked

can it not hurt?" replied Derick.

and said, "Aww, my sweetheart. My heart aches so much. It's all Joanna's fault! Don't worry. I'll avenge

Ingrid's words, Shaun was angrier and said, "Enough, Ingrid. Stop saying such words. The reason why Rick did such a crazy thing is because you always spoil

spoiling Rick?" said

spoiling Rick, you're turning him

the end,

that his lips

Shaun said, "You have been unaware of your mistake

your son are incurable!"

retorted, "Hmph! You're the incurable

realized Roxanne was not in the car. Thus, Ingrid asked, "Where's

another hospital and did not even notice that

with Mr. Everett if she doesn't

of Bruce, Ingrid

"Unbelievable. Bruce picked the side with an outsider. He's always on

that's all because of your good daughter Joanna. She's seducing Bruce. I think Bruce and Roxy's marriage is

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Bruce looked down at her from above. His hawk like eyes seemed to be seeking credit.

Joanna took a deep breath and slowly exhaled.

She didn't want to say anything now—not a single word.

Seeing she was still silent, Bruce pursed his lips proudly and walked toward Joanna from the opposite side of the bed.

“Without me, your son might have been dead! Shouldn't you express your gratitude?”

Facing Joanna, Bruce was extremely thick-skinned, as if everything was to be expected.

Joanna took a deep look at Bruce and had mixed feelings.

She was naturally grateful to him. However, after hearing what he said, the gratitude suddenly turned into ashes.

“Say something!” Bruce stretched out and wrapped his arm around her shoulder.

“What do you want?” Joanna's pupils constricted, revealing a faint sharpness.

“Judging from his expression, he probably wants me to compensate him with that again!” Joanna thought. The last bit of good impression she had of him was ruined.

Bruce sneered and pinched her chin. “Look at your eyes! You look like you want to kill me! Damn woman, you don't have any conscience!”

“You're crazy. Let go!”

Bruce pinched her chin even tighter and said, “I saved your son. Aren't you going to thank me?”

Joanna struggled impatiently and slapped his hand away.

“Thank you! How's this? Is this enough?”

“You're not sincere at all!”

Joanna rolled her eyes angrily. “Didn't you want me to thank you? I've already said it! What else do you want?”

Bruce choked in anger.

“There's nothing else left. You can go back now!”

“Kicking me to the curb after using me?”

“You heartless woman. You need to be taught a lesson! The more you behave like this, the more I want to punish you!”

As he spoke, Bruce had already reached out and forcefully hugged her.

Every time he faced her, his desire to conquer her grew crazily. He was never satisfied.

Joanna struggled with all her might, but he continued to kiss her forcefully. "... T—This is a hospital. Don't do anything rash..."

The intensity of his kiss remained forceful, giving the woman a sense of being overpowered. His arms were incredibly sturdy, and she couldn't resist when he trapped her.

When Joanna was almost out of breath, he stopped. He looked at her, who was weak all over, teasingly. "Look at you. You can't stand it when I kiss you, right?"

Joanna took a deep breath and calmed herself down. She punched him a few times in exasperation. "Can you stop touching me?"

his eyebrows slightly. The playfulness in his eyes intensified. "If you don't love me, will you have such

Joanna heard this, she was speechless with

handle, adept at pursuing women, and

able to take it,

would give in to

cursed, "You're sick! Don't touch me again!"

Why can't I

not your

wouldn't be so nice to

can you stop fooling around?" Joanna's eyes instantly turned red again.

Just a while ago, you were begging me with tears streaming

with me, you push me away! I'm forgiving and don't want

heard this, she gritted his teeth. "This man has no shame in

do you want me to thank you?"

don't want to owe you a favor either. You can make a

chuckled. "You're so stingy. I can only make

"Yes!"

request is for you

her head and rejected coldly, "I can't do it!"

that I can make a request?"

the hospital bed. I'm not in the mood to joke around with you! If

hospital. Can you be more serious?"

I not serious? I'm asking you to
angry that her heart ached. She
mention it! As long as
nothing more than for her to accompany him. He had already forced her many times, so
all out. She would accompany him for
smiled teasingly. "Then
you want?"
his face close to
bad. I want you to
finish, Joanna said with a straight
such dirty thoughts!" Joanna thought. She knew he would make such a dirty
the last time!"
deliberately said, "I haven't even said what I wanted. How is it disgusting?"
I can spend
it sound like I want to
request is to make me a bowl of noodles! What are you thinking? Or do you want
face instantly turned red.
made for me last time are not bad. I want you to make me another
she looked at Bruce in surprise.
request too
but Joanna could not believe it! He was a difficult man to deal with,
asked in disbelief.
shrugged. "Can't I?"
choked. She stared at his eyes, trying to see through his scheme.
corner of his eyes as he looked at her teasingly. Then, he raised his eyebrows slightly and winked at her.
you looking at me like that because you think
PH!

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Joanna rolled her eyes and opened the ward door.

Outside the ward, Roxanne stood in a daze.

She must have stood there for a long time as her face was filled with despair and grief.

Joanna was shocked. She blurted out, "Why are you here?"

Roxanne squeezed out a faint sneer, looking at Joanna coldly. "Why can't I be here?"

Then, go ahead!" Joanna said, avoiding Roxanne and heading towards the corridor.

"Stop right there!" Roxanne's voice suddenly became shrill.

Joanna turned around and her expression was extremely gloomy. She did not want to see anyone from the Haynes family at all.

"What do you want?"

Suddenly, Roxanne smiled miserably like an injured little white rabbit. "Why do you... have to s***h my boyfriend?"

Roxanne questioned as she gasped. The bridge of her nose trembled like a pitiful, dehydrated goldfish.

"Roxanne Haynes, I'll repeat it once more! From the start to the end, I never thought of s***ng Bruce from you!"

"But Bruce is my fiancé now. Do you really think it's appropriate for you to be involved with him like this?" Roxanne's voice fluctuated between high and low, with a hint of breaking down.

The patients and nurses who passed by all turned their heads to look at her.

Bruce heard the commotion and hurried out of the ward.

"Roxy, what are you doing here?"

Roxanne blinked and tears rolled down her face. "I'm here to see how loving my fiancé and my sister are!"

Bruce's expression darkened. He wanted to go forward and put his arm around her shoulder. "I'll send you back first!"

"I don't want to go back!" Roxanne retreated. She looked at Bruce with tears streaming down her face as her neck swayed uncontrollably.

Her pale and beautiful face was filled with hurt, grief, helplessness, and disbelief.

She was the best at pretending to be weak and helpless. It was also because of this trick that Bruce could not bear to be cold to her.

"Stop fooling around!"

"Bruce, can't you leave my sister? Why must you be with her?"

Bruce's face darkened. "I'm telling you to stop fooling around!"

Roxanne took another step back and sniffed. "If that's the case, I'll back out! Don't worry, I won't bother you again..."

Bruce looked at Roxanne in frustration.

Her eyes were filled with despair and desolation, and there was even a hint of death.

If he mentioned breaking up, she would definitely commit suicide again.

"Roxy, I've told you before that I agree to marry you, but I can't be faithful! If you're still willing to marry me, I'll hold the wedding as scheduled!"

"I'm sorry if you can't accept it!"

When Roxanne heard this, she finally turned hysterical "But why did you have to choose my There are so many women in Greyport. Why did you have to choose her?"

"I'm hurt by you. I can't accept a third party in our relationship! I'll completely disappear and fulfill your wish"

As Roxanne spoke, she turned around and ran out frantically.

“Roxy!”

Joanna looked at Bruce coldly. “Hurry up and chase after her. Don’t let her do anything stupid again!”

When Bruce heard this, he could not care less about Joanna and hurriedly chased after Roxanne.

“Roxy, stop right there!”

Roxanne had only run a few steps when Bruce caught up to her.

“Bruce, I won’t disturb the two of you anymore!”

“What are you going to do?” Bruce held her hand tightly.

Roxanne struggled with all her might. She cried until she was out of breath,

”

Although she didn’t say that she was about to commit suicide, her posture was already telling Bruce her intentions

The people around them stopped in their tracks.

“Isn’t this Mr. Everett and Miss Roxanne? Why are they quarreling in a hospital?”

“I heard that Miss Roxanne caught Miss Haynes getting involved with Mr. Everett again!”

“Miss Haynes is already divorced. Yet, she’s still pestering her ex-husband!”

“Right? An ex-wife shouldn’t continue to disrupt the other party’s life! Miss Haynes is a terrible woman!”

“You can’t say that. No woman can let go of such an outstanding man like Mr. Everett!”

The people around them could not help but whisper and judge.

Bruce frowned and ignored Roxanne’s cries. He bent down and forcefully picked her up.

Then, he stormed towards the underground parking garage.

At the underground parking garage.

“Bruce, let go of me and let me die!”

“If I die, no one will disturb you again, let alone stand between you!”

Bruce did not reply. He hugged her and stuffed her into the front passenger seat of the car,

“Bruce, let me out. Don’t worry about me. Boohoo...”

Bruce took a deep breath. He looked at Roxanne coldly. “Stop making a fuss!”

Roxanne cried, “I’m not making a fuss. I’m serious about it. I’m willing to make room for my sister and let her have you!”

Bruce could not help but sneer when he heard that.

She had already snatched Joanna’s position.

If she hadn’t lied to him back then, he would never love her.

Roxanne continued sobbing. “I know you don’t love me anymore. I can’t accept the fact that you love my sister and you have a change of heart. I’d rather die than suffer like this!”

“Bruce, please don’t make me feel so much pain again. I really can’t take it anymore!”

“This feeling is worse than death...” Roxanne cried as she spoke. She constantly expressed her grievances and love for him.

Bruce was not touched at all. Instead, the more he listened, the more disgusted he became.

This woman was skilled at ensnaring men. She often weaved webs to trap them completely.

However, men were most afraid of being restrained. The more she wanted to trap him, the more he wanted to escape.

Bruce interrupted Roxanne’s crying and asked coldly, “Roxanne, what happened to the car?”

Roxanne suddenly stopped crying upon hearing Bruce's question.
"... Car? What car? Bruce, what are you talking about?"

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Seeing Bruce had found Gavin to confront him, Roxanne was frightened and uneasy.

Bruce's face was covered with a layer of coldness. "Why are you so nervous?"

"I'm not nervous!" Although Roxanne denied it, her heart was about to jump out of her throat.

Bruce examined Roxanne with a sinister expression.

"Bruce, don't look at me like that. Do you... not trust me?" Roxanne's body went numb from his stare.

As she spoke, her tears fell again. She looked weak and helpless.

Bruce did not say anything else. He just smoked silently and waited.

While waiting, Roxanne became even more uneasy.

She wanted to find an opportunity to call or send a message to Gavin to warn him not to spout nonsense.

Unfortunately, Bruce was watching her. She had no chance at all.

Half an hour later!

Gavin was brought to an office.

There was a huge double-sided mirror in the office.

Bruce and Roxanne were behind the mirror. They could see Gavin's every move.

However, Gavin could not see them.

Seeing Gavin, Roxanne's face turned pale. Her fingertips dug into her flesh uneasily.

Bruce crossed his legs and quietly observed Gavin's every move through the double-sided mirror.

With his status, he couldn't show up personally..

He was the wealthiest man in Greyport. If word got out that his fiancée cheated on him with a poor kid, it would be too embarrassing-

Therefore, he would leave it to his subordinates to ask. Even if they had an improper relationship, they would not make it public.

However, someone like Bruce would not be willing to suffer in silence.

In the office.

Gavin looked at the few bodyguards in suits and leather shoes with cold expressions. He was so frightened that his mouth went dry and his scalp tightened.

“May I ask why you brought me here?”

There was a professional smile on Andy’s face. “Oh, Mr. Tate, don’t be nervous. I invited you here to briefly understand the situation.”

Gavin’s gaze became even more uncertain as he stuttered, “Understand the situation?”

“Have you seen this car before?” Andy turned on his phone and showed a photo of a Maybach to Gavin!

When Gavin saw the car, he was so frightened that he panicked and broke out in cold sweat.

“Y–Yes..

and found that you were the one who drove the car and hit a tree!”

do it on purpose. Besides, the

frowned slightly. “Sir, the so–called repairs caused damage to

be repaired at the original factory! The repair fee for this car is as high as car is this?

already in debt. Now, he had to

as well jump off

expression changed as he changed the topic. “So, we want

Ms. Haynes? Why would she let you

this, his wandering eyes instantly froze.

a more serious problem than crashing a

cheated on Bruce with him,

death.

Behind the mirror.

at Gavin nervously. She was so scared that she did not

see the nervousness and uneasiness in

was definitely no innocence between her and

please answer my question!” Andy urged

Roxanne and I

enough to reveal his

speaking, Roxanne clearly heaved a sigh of

with Ms. Haynes, we

classmates. Other than that, we have nothing to do with each other!" Gavin
his expression had already
is all on Ms. Haynes,
to do with her. I saw that the car was luxurious, so I wanted
I'm sorry! ..." Gavin's mouth was dry, and he
could not afford to pay
asking when Bruce's voice came
a shrewd person. How could he not see that their relationship
was no need
again
Tate, we've understood the situation. You can go back now!"
speechless. He never thought that he
Andy ordered the driver to send Gavin
Roxanne's heart that was in her
you believe me now? I have nothing to
faintly. "I was just asking casually. Don't be so
evidence now was not enough to
intentionally let Gavin off the hook. Once he caught
have to worry about her seeking death. Even if she committed suicide, it would have nothing
expression softened a little, Roxanne quickly moved
voice was coy and coquettish. "Bruce, I don't want to go home tonight. I want to be with
took the
Bruce choked.
her with an ambiguous gaze as if he
more encouraged.
been in love for so long. I want to bring our relationship to the next

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When Roxanne heard this, her face turned red to the neck.
She finally knew Bruce was testing her and did not want to touch her.

...Bruce, do you dislike me?"

Bruce glanced at her and praised her teasingly, "Your figure is not bad! Your skills are also great!"

"Unfortunately, I'm exhausted today and can't lift my spirits!"

"Put on your clothes! Don't catch a cold!" Bruce threw Roxanne's clothes at her.

Roxanne decided to go all out. She rushed and hugged him, trying to salvage the situation one last time.

"Bruce, let me accompany you tonight!"

"I want to be your woman. I was too conservative in the past. I've already thought it through. I want to be your woman!"

Bruce smiled.

He would never touch an extremely hypocritical woman like her.

"Hurry up and put on your clothes. I'll get Andy to send you back!"

"Bruce..." Roxanne bit her lips and looked at him with tears in her eyes.

"I don't want to go home!"

"What do you want then?"

"I want you to accompany me!"

"Stop fooling around. I'm not in the mood today. Let's do it another day!"

"You always say that. But in fact, you don't love me anymore. I know it now!"

"You can say whatever you want." Bruce picked up the car key and left without looking back.

"Andy, send Ms. Haynes back!"

"Okay, Mr. Everett!"

"Bruce... Roxanne was furious.

Unfortunately, Bruce had already left. Roxanne put on her clothes and chased after him.

However, his car was no longer there.

"Ms. Haynes, let me send you back!" Andy maintained a professional smile.

Roxanne stomped her foot angrily. "No need. I can walk on my own!"

At the hospital.

It was already ten o'clock at night.

Joanna was still by Irvin's side, looking after him.

She had also been running around the entire day and was extremely nervous.

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not help but lie on

and felt someone putting a

and quickly opened

and saw Bruce.

moment, he was holding a suit and putting it on

suddenly sat up straight. "Bruce, why are

nervous she was, Bruce chuckled. "You still owe me

frustration. "This is a hospital. I can't make noodles

you going to

make it for you

I'll wait for you!"

nothing else here. You can go

this, he raised his eyebrows and smiled.

don't need your company. It's already so late. Hurry up and go back to sleep!"

noodles that

chase me away so badly? Don't you want to see me?"

pulled Joanna tightly into his

doing?

Can't I even touch

of me quickly. This is a hospital. Don't do anything

and whispered into her ear, "So I can

let go. I'm exhausted! I

appeared in his heart. "Joanna, are you tired of being with

like this? You're putting me

woman and enjoy my love for you, and

"I don't need you! Please stay away from me, and don't say these things to me

to keep a distance from you now. Can

voice woke Irvin

turned slightly and opened his eyes weakly. "Mommy!"

Joanna could not be bothered to argue with Bruce. She quickly went to Irvin. "Irvin, you're awake?"

looked at

son's head and said gently, "Baby, are you hungry? Do you

head slightly. "I'm not

been injected with glucose and was not

you feel uncomfortable

I want to sleep, and my

You've caught a cold. You'll

answering, he

eat something before you sleep, okay? You haven't eaten much all day. I'm worried about you."

"...Alright!"

you want to eat? Mommy will

eat...

Joanna heard this, she felt a little troubled! "We're in a hospital. How do I

her son wanted to eat them, she would find a way to make

and

"Yay!"

covered Irvin with a blanket and left

Miranda and ask her to go to the 24-hour

Joanna's tone when she spoke to Irvin, Bruce

can she be so gentle to another

was her son, that wouldn't do! In her heart, she should prioritize

to eat dumplings too!"

this, her eyes turned cold. "Didn't you just say you wanted a

"Dumplings sound tastier! I've changed my mind. I want some dumplings too!"

a low