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## Chapter 431 Taking Care Of Estela

After finishing breakfast with mixed feelings, Roxana led Estela out of the dining room. She had barely left when she became aware of the prevailing tension in the room. The brothers were kneeling on the sofa with a serious expression on their faces, watching Luciano closely; who was standing on the other side, as if he had seriously offended them. When she looked at the expressions of the children, Roxana couldn't help but frown.

She assumed they didn't want Luciano for her. However, she remembered that they had hit it off the first time they all met. Since then, her only goal was to stay away from Luciano, but the brothers seemed to have a grudge against her. No matter how hard she tried, Roxana couldn't figure out the reason. When the siblings saw Roxana and Estela leave, they looked away and welcomed them with a bright smile.

-Mommy!

Roxana pushed her thoughts aside, and smiled back. Andrés and Bautista gave him a warm look.

"Is she going to kindergarten with us?"

Roxana looked at Luciano. That was what she had decided over breakfast, but she wasn't sure where she stood. Luciano walked out the door without saying a single word. Roxana was surprised and accompanied the children to the exit and she realized that Luciano was watching them from the car. She lowered her head to look at Estela, who released her hand.

Estela ran to Luciano's car and stood by the window, giving him a sad look. She wanted to stay by Roxana's side. Luciano could know what his daughter was thinking and he also perceived the guilt that Roxana felt for the girl. Therefore, he gave her permission.

"You can go with Miss Jerez."

Estela came bounding back with Roxana, her eyes shining with joy.

"Miss Jerez, my daddy said I can go with you!"

Roxana breathed a sigh of relief, ruffled her hair, and led Estela to the car. She assumed that Luciano would leave once he left Estela in her care. However, just after putting the children in the car, she noticed the Bentley in front of them slowly pulling away and driving in the direction of the kindergarten. Roxana followed him from behind, surprised.

During the drive, the car was filled with the voices of excited children. Estela was very happy, since she spoke more than usual. After all, it had been a long time since the last time she went with the brothers to school. Roxana couldn't help but think about the dinner she had with Jonatan last weekend. She had

mentioned Estela's mood swings. That time, she even suggested that her condition could improve if Roxana stayed with her. At that moment, she realized that she was right. Still, she had no right to keep her by her side, and Sonia would never allow it.

When he looked at Estela's bright smile in the rearview mirror, a feeling of reluctance invaded his heart. In fact, she began to wish that the path was longer. Before Estela could have any more fun, the kindergarten appeared in her field of vision. As she watched the Bentley pull up, Roxana also stopped the car some distance away before getting out with the children.

At the same time, Luciano came down with a pink backpack in his hand and approached them. It was then that Roxana remembered that Estela's backpack was in her car.

What the hell is going through her mind? He could have given me the backpack and gone straight to the office ».

#### Chapter 432 In A Difficult Position

Just as Roxana approached to take Estela's backpack, Luciano withdrew his hand with an indifferent expression. He turned and walked in front of them.

-Come on.

Roxana came to by herself when the children pulled her sleeve, she held her hand and followed Luciano behind her. Pilar was already waiting for him at the entrance to the garden. Seeing the group, she smiled and told Roxana:

—Miss Jerez, it's been a long time since I last saw you.

Lately, Lisa or Magali were the ones who had taken the children to kindergarten. She couldn't deny that it had been a while since the last time Roxana came.

"Indeed, it's been a long time," she replied. "Have Andrés and Bautista caused you problems in class?"

Pilar waved her hands quickly.

"They are both the most obedient students in the class. You have nothing to worry about.

Roxana was relieved to hear that and she handed the children over to Pilar. However, Estela took her hand and refused to let go. She didn't want to be separated from her, since it had been a long time since they last saw each other. Although Roxana felt that her heart was melting about how Estela did not want to be separated from her, she had to steel herself and had to let go of the little girl's hands. After all, classes were about to start while she had to go to work.

"Be a good girl, Ella. I have to go to work. Why don't you play with Andrés and Bautista?

Disgust was written all over her face. Seeing that, Andrés and Bautista quickly held Estela's hand and comforted her.

"We will play with you, Ella. You don't have to be sad.

Estela wanted to ask Roxana if she could stay instead of going abroad, but she decided not to, since she was afraid of being disappointed by her answer. Since Estela refused to leave, Roxana couldn't bear to leave her either. Just when she felt lost, Luciano walked discreetly into the space between her and Estela, blocking her view.

"Miss Jerez and I still have to go to work. Since it's class time, you should go in together with the brothers.

Luciano leaned forward to help Estela put on her backpack. He placed her hands on her shoulders authoritatively and turned her around. Only then did Estela enter the kindergarten behind Andrés and Bautista. Roxana sighed when she saw the backs of the children. She faked a smile to say goodbye to Pilar before turning to go back to her car. Just when she had taken two steps, Luciano's voice sounded behind her.

### -Do you feel better?

The reason why he had agreed to take Estela to see Roxana was also because she wanted to know her state of health. However, she had not had a chance to speak before this moment. Hearing that, Roxana felt a strange sensation in her heart. Luciano's eyes darkened, he was about to continue when he saw her turn to look at him.

-I feel better. Thank you for worrying, Mr. Fariña. Roxana gave him an indifferent look. "Also, I hope you avoid bringing Ella to my house from now on. She puts me in a difficult position.

Roxana might not be able to tell Estela that, but she had no problem telling him. Luciano made a disappointed face.

"You should save those words for Ella. Besides, you know her condition. Once she starts throwing a tantrum, I have no choice but to give her what she wants.

After saying that, she got into her car before Roxana could react.

### Chapter 433 A Smooth Collaboration

During his trip, Roxana's harsh words continued to occupy his mind. He thought that having taken Estela to see her would make her heart waver. But he didn't expect her to be so callous.

«Despite the concern that Estela felt for her, he was still able to say something as harsh as that he should never take her to see her again. Roxana really hates to see me.

When Luciano arrived at the office, his expression was as grim as ever.

"Mr. Fariña." Camilo greeted him. "Mr. Quevedo came to see you this morning and is waiting for you in his office."

Luciano tried to control himself, nodded before entering his office with Camilo following close behind. The moment he entered, he looked at Jonatan sitting limply on the couch with some documents next to him. Seeing Luciano, Jonatan took the papers with a smile and took a seat on the opposite side of the desk. He raised an eyebrow and said,

"Why were you so late today?

Luciano frowned.

"I went to take Estela to kindergarten.

Jonatan nodded, then handed over the documents and began their discussion of the project. Due to the close relationship of the two families and the many happy collaborations they had previously shared, the two men managed to end their conversation quickly. Despite having obtained the conclusion he was hoping for, Jonatan did not leave. Instead, he changed the subject to Roxana.

"By the way, my contact at Solare called me, saying that the negotiations with Dr. Jerez have been completed. From the looks of it, everything is still running smoothly.

Jonatan was trying to take credit from Luciano indirectly. Mentioning Roxana, Luciano couldn't help but think about what he had said, which caused her somber expression to drop onto his face. Jonatan was taken aback by his friend's reaction, which was the opposite of what he expected, and he frowned.

"Why do you look so upset when I mention Dr. Jerez?" Did something happen between you that I don't know about?

Before Luciano could answer, Jonatan advised him with a serious tone.

"Everyone knows how you treated Dr. Jerez before. Therefore, you have to be patient in your attempt to get it back. Also, don't forget that she is a woman and Ela's biological mother. That alone is enough for you to put up with her.

"I know," Luciano answered without enthusiasm.

Jonatan was stunned for a moment, having only received a brief response to his advice that he had offered with good intentions.

"What do you know?"

Luciano shot him a look.

—The collaboration with Roxana is going very well.

In other words, everything he said just now was of no use. Jonathan released a resigned sigh. Suddenly surprised by the meaning behind Luciano's words, he looked at him puzzled.

"How did you know?"

"All this time, I have been responsible for the liaison with the supplier of Solare's medicinal herb. As for Roxana, of course she would not inform Luciano about the matter on her own account ».

With that in mind, Jonatan shot his friend a suspicious look.

"Did he have his men spy on Dr. Jerez?"

"I went to Solare for two days and just got back yesterday," Luciano said casually.

Jonatan was surprised, reflected more on the matter and realized that the period in which Luciano traveled coincided with that of Roxana. On top of that, he remembered that Luciano specifically asked him what time Roxana would visit Solare.

"In that case, it makes sense that Luciano would also have traveled to Solare after learning about Roxana's trip. Besides, he definitely would have attended the party held that night."

#### Chapter 434 He Won't Turn Down This Chance

"It's not surprising that you asked me before about when Dr. Jerez would travel to Solare. And yet, I thought you were bothering me about my work. I didn't expect it to have been for selfish reasons!" Jonatan sneered at him when he connected the dots.

Luciano responded with a silent but somber look.

«Yes, I did it for selfish reasons, but Roxana was not grateful at all».

Jonathan raised his eyebrows and continued to press him.

"In that case, you must have attended the party that night. So how did it go? Did you make any progress with her?

As soon as he said those words, he looked at the somber expression on Luciano's face.

"It seems obvious that there was no improvement."

Jonathan was still confused by the situation.

«Despite everything Luciano has done to woo her, why does he continue to be indifferent? This is the first time I've seen Luciano put so much effort into conquering a woman. Anyone in Roxana's position would have thrown herself into her arms without restraint. It seems that Dr. Jerez is a unique woman for having caused Luciano so much pain. Leaving that aside, what is my friend thinking? Why doesn't he give up on the woman who continues to infuriate him? ».

Jonathan felt very confused by everything, and he couldn't help but ask:

"Is he still ignoring you like before?"

Luciano frowned and remained silent.

"What do you plan to do with Dr. Jerez?" You've done a lot for her, but she continues to ignore your feelings. Are you sure you want to continue with this?" Jonatan couldn't imagine how much his friend wanted Roxana.

Camilo was standing to one side and had heard his comment, he took a look at Luciano and remembered the cold attitude that Roxana had with her boss. Since she returned to Chepa, he had always been present in all of Luciano and Roxana's interactions. It was obvious to him that Roxana was trying to avoid Luciano. However, her boss had never stopped caring about her.

"This time, it seems that Mr. Fariña's feelings are real."

With that thought in mind, Camilo answered discreetly on Luciano's behalf:

"Mr. Quevedo, considering how well you know Mr. Fariña, I'm sure it's obvious to you how important it is for him to get Miss Jerez to settle down." stay by your side.

Just as he finished speaking, both men turned to see Luciano's reaction. His silence was an implicit way of saying that he agreed with what Camilo had said. Jonathan pondered for a moment before responding with a smile.

"In that case, I will definitely help you come up with a plan. Didn't you mention before that you wanted me to make her stay instead of going abroad?

Luciano raised his eyebrow slightly, aware of what Jonatan's plan was.

"Now that the problems at the research institute have been resolved, Dr. Jerez would probably go abroad, once the collaborations with a couple of companies have stabilized," analyzed Jonatan.

Luciano's face darkened.

Considering her attitude towards me, it is certain that she will leave without hesitation once she is done with her work. If she didn't send someone to watch her, she could leave without my knowing."

The thought of Roxana disappearing from her life again caused her to frown, and she asked Jonatan:

"What do you suggest?"

Jonathan perceived the annoyance of his friend, and smiled confidently.

"Don't forget what I do. As a person in the medical industry, I know better than anyone what Ms. Jerez wants. If I'm not mistaken, she specializes in traditional medicine. In that case, there's no way I'd turn down the opportunity I'm going to offer you.

#### Chapter 435 Give Him A Chance

Luciano, seeing that Jonatan was very confident, asked:

"What is it?" Stop keeping me in suspense.

Jonathan gave a casual smile.

—To develop traditional medicine, our country provides the best environment to do so. I am sure that this was the objective of Dr. Jerez when she decided to return. It's just...

Jonathan shot him a look. There was no need for him to finish the sentence. Roxana had returned to Chepa in order to expand the field of traditional medicine. Unfortunately, she did not expect to run into the Fariña family and be forced to leave. She met Jonatan's gaze, and Luciano grimaced in frustration.

"But if the proposal is attractive enough, I am convinced that Dr. Jerez would be willing to stay for the sake of traditional medicine research," Jonatan said. —I know you've heard about the prestigious families that live in isolation within Chepa. Among them, the Dorante family used to cause waves within the field of ancient medicine. Unfortunately, they were disappearing from the public eye. But recently they began preparing to come out of their isolation to offer medical consultations. I am convinced that Dr. Jerez would be interested in that matter.

Even Luciano couldn't help but be impressed when he heard about the Dorante family. At present, the most prestigious family within the medical association in Horneros was the Quevedo family. Even now, they paled in comparison to the Dorante family.

For generations, the Dorante family had worked closely with traditional medicine physicians. In fact, legend had it that his ancestor was a royal physician, who not only possessed extraordinary medical skills, but had also maintained a collection of ancient medicine books from the palace. Those books were then passed down through generations to this day. Whenever anyone doubted his family's heritage,

they would test his skills and the authenticity of his medical books, humiliating detractors in the process.

At present, those ancient medical books had become a priceless treasure. Having stayed out of the spotlight for a very long period of time, the Dorante family slowly began to reveal themselves once more. Every so often, they would send someone to provide medical consultations, although you never knew when. If someone needed his services, he had to leave it to chance. Despite being one of the most prestigious families in the Homeros medical circle, the Quevedo family only found out about this because of Alfredo's relationship with the Dorante family.

Since Roxana specialized in traditional medicine, she had definitely heard of the Dorante family. Therefore, if she found out about the medical consultation, perhaps it could be reason enough to stay in Chepa. When Jonatan looked at the thoughtful expression on his friend's face, he blurted out another piece of news with a smile.

"Besides that, the Dorante family is not only going to provide medical consultations this time. I heard that after the event, they plan to establish a research institute in Chepa to further expand the influence on traditional medicine. They will look for more organizations to collaborate with. In my opinion, apart from Dr. Jerez's research institute, no one else is worthy enough to do it. I am sure that Dr. Jerez will take the initiative to work with them when she hears this news.

Jonatan meant it, putting aside the fact that he was trying to help a friend. After all, he had seen Roxana's medical skills with his own eyes. Over the years, none of the most famous doctors in the world had been able to cure Alfredo until Roxana appeared. No one in Chepa was more skilled than her when it came to traditional medicine.

Jonatan had planned to seize the opportunity on behalf of the Quevedo Group. After all, the Dorante family would probably work with them out of respect for Alfredo. However, if Roxana became his competition, he was more than happy to step aside to give her a chance. After all, the Quevedo Group was already working with Roxana's research institute and, therefore, they would be collaborating with the Dorante family as well.

# **Chapter 436 No Disappointments**

After Luciano listened to Jonatan's explanation, his expression began to soften. He knew Roxana's personality very well. Traditional medicine was undoubtedly one of the most important things in his life. If such an opportunity fell into her hands, Roxana would likely choose to stay in Chepa and fight for the opportunity to collaborate with the Dorante family.

"What do you think of my idea?" Jonatan smiled proudly.

A small smile appeared on Luciano's face.

-Not bad. If you can make him stay, I'll owe you a favor.

Grupo Fariña did not delve into the depths of the medical industry and did not have many connections

to the Dorante family either. In other words, Luciano didn't have much to say about it. Even if he managed to give Roxana a chance with that family, she might reject her if Luciano told her. It would be a great loss if that happened. However, if his friend broke the news to Roxana, it would seem more official. Jonatan raised his eyebrow mischievously in response.

"You can pay me back with money when you two get married.

After saying that, Jonatan stood up and left before Luciano could say another word. After leaving the Grupo Fariña facilities, he did not return to his office. Instead, he headed straight for the Quevedo residence. He had thought through the plan carefully and decided that it would be much more convincing if Alfredo was the one to break the news to Roxana instead of him. If Alfredo personally informed him of the opportunity, chances were he wouldn't suspect a thing.

While Jonatan entered the house, Alfredo was exercising with the help of a caretaker. Seeing that Jonatan had suddenly returned, he asked him confused:

"Are you back so soon?" Don't have work in the office?

Jonatan approached him to help support Alfredo's other arm with a smile.

"Actually, Grandpa, I'm here to discuss something with you.

Alfredo nodded.

-Forward.

"It's about the Dorante family's medical consultations. Is it okay if I ask you to tell them about Dr. Jerez so she can join the consultation? Jonathan asked.

His grandfather knew the Dorante family. Perhaps he could have an opinion regarding the medical consultation. Alfredo nodded his head immediately.

-Of course. He already intended to do it, even if you hadn't asked me.

The Quevedo family had been in the herb supply business for years. That said, the family had impeccable respect for traditional medicine. In all his years in the industry, Alfredo had never met someone as established in traditional medicine as Roxana at such a young age, with the exception of the Dorante family. Needless to say, Alfredo would not miss this one chance.

Also, he could see Roxana's passion for traditional medicine and he knew how valuable this opportunity would be for her. By the time he found out that the Dorante family would give a Medical Consultation, he had already planned to introduce them to Roxana. Realizing that Alfredo was also thinking the same thing, Jonatan breathed a sigh of relief.

"So... regarding the collaboration with the Dorante family with the research institute," he asked cautiously, testing the ground.

Of course, Alfredo understood what he was trying to say, and instantly gave his grandson a deep look.

"Do you have feelings for Dr. Jerez?"

Jonathan's jaw dropped. The only thing he felt for Roxana was only admiration. Besides, Luciano had his eyes on her. How could he betray his friendship with Luciano by feeling something for Roxana? To his misfortune, everyone seemed to have misunderstood their relationship, and he was too upset about it. Seeing Jonatan's expression, Alfredo realized that he had made a mistake and gave him an understanding smile.

-OK. Regarding the topic you were talking about, the Dorante family are the ones looking for a partner. They will have the last word. I can't comment on it.

"I'm just letting you know beforehand. When everything comes down between the Quevedo family and Dr. Jerez, and her family chooses her institute instead of ours, please don't be disappointed.

Alfredo just laughed carelessly.

"Dr. Jerez is a skilled competitor. Besides, if the Dorante family thinks that she is the best option, what can I say? Don't worry. There will be no disappointments at the end.

Jonatan was relieved to see how tolerant his grandfather was being in this matter.

"In that case, I'll need your help to inform Dr. Jerez about this opportunity.

Alfredo agreed without hesitation.

# Chapter 437 I Won't Let You Down

That night, Roxana personally went to the Quevedo residence to show her gratitude. During dinner, Alfredo subtly mentioned the news regarding the Dorante family.

—Dr. Jerez, the Dorante family is planning to give a medical consultation. Would you be interested in being a part of it? If she is, I can help her introduce them to you.

Surprise was written all over Roxana's face. Although she had spent most of her life abroad, the Dorante family were no strangers to her. In the world of traditional medicine, they were nothing short of legendary. Younger people in the industry were always hearing about her legacy, yet they rarely had the chance to meet them in person.

Since Roxana lived abroad for a long time, it was even more difficult for her to meet that family. Still, she had wanted to meet and interact with them. After all, the Dorante family were extremely skilled in

traditional medicine. The family also owned a selection of books on the subject that had been handed down from generation to generation. Everything related to the Dorante family left Roxana speechless.

The old books on traditional medicine that Javier owned were a huge contributing factor for her to achieve the medical skills she had at that time. The books that the Dorante family owned were far superior to those of her professor. Each of those books were rare and valuable that not even wealth could secure them. For those who studied traditional medicine, those books were worth much more than gold and silver.

If she had the opportunity to read them or even have the guidance of the wisest people in the Dorante family, Roxana had no doubt that her medical skills would improve a lot. If she was given the opportunity, she had planned to visit the family before returning to Chepa. To her disappointment, when she returned, she discovered that the Dorante family had drifted away from society a few years ago. It seemed as if the family had stopped interacting with people they didn't know.

Even for a rookie without any foundation like her, it would be almost impossible for her to touch the handle of the Dorante residence. Adding the obstacle of the Fariña Group to the picture, Roxana had no choice but to give up on her plans. When she heard the opportunity being presented by Alfredo, Roxana felt like she was dreaming.

"I'm very interested, but won't it be too much trouble for you?" I heard that the Dorante family had no contact with outsiders in recent years.

Seeing Roxana's surprised expression and knowing her indisputable love for traditional medicine, Alfredo was delighted.

"I guess you can say I'm a friend of the family. It shouldn't be too hard for me to get you a spot at the doctor's office," Alfredo assured him with a smile.

"But if I were to ask a favor on your behalf, you must be spectacular. Do not embarrass me.

Even after hearing Alfredo's words, Roxana still felt a bit indecisive.

"Great Mr. Quevedo, his family have already helped me enormously. You don't have to do this for me...

Before she could finish speaking, Alfredo gave her a look of disagreement. Roxana, realizing that, kept silent immediately.

-You saved my life. You deserve everything that the Quevedo family has given you. Furthermore, I am willing to introduce you to the Dorante family. It's a decision I've given a lot of thought to. Being a prestigious family in the medical world, people like me should support brilliant minds like you. There are not many young people specializing in traditional medicine in Chepa anymore. You have a lot of potential. If you get the opportunity to interact with the Dorante family, it can serve as an opportunity for you to hone and improve your medical skills. If you miss the chance, even I would feel sorry for you!

At that moment, Jonathan intervened.

-Indeed. Doctor Jerez, I have seen your abilities with my own eyes, not to mention that the Dorante family is planning to build a research institute in Chepa, after the medical consultation, they are looking for a partner. If you can get their attention at the event, your institute might have an opportunity to collaborate with them.

Roxana felt a knot in her chest when she heard the news, and she instantly accepted.

"In that case, thank you for giving me this opportunity, great Mr. Quevedo!" Don't worry. I won't let you down!

Alfredo responded with a cheerful smile. At the same time, Jonatan breathed a sigh of relief and immediately sent Luciano a text about the news.

## Chapter 438 Take Good Care Of Ela

When Roxana returned home after having been at the Quevedo residence, Andrés and Bautista were already waiting for her. That night, the children did not greet him at the door as usual. Instead, they were sitting on the sofa and seemed to be dejected. No one knew what was going through their minds. Roxana shot Lisa a confused look, but she just shrugged in response.

"They've been like this since I went for them tonight.

Andrés and Bautista had been happily playing with Estela. However, all three of them suddenly became sad when they saw Lisa walking towards them. On the way back, it was clear that Andrés and Bautista were distraught. Since then, his spirits had not improved. At first, Roxana was very happy and she was looking forward to the medical consultation by the Dorante family. However, when she looked at the discouraged faces of her children, the anticipation in her heart was quickly replaced with concern.

-What happened today? Did you have a fight with her friends? Her," she asked gently as she took a seat next to them.

Only when they heard the sound of her voice did the children look at her. Disappointment was written all over her small face. Roxana's heart began to ache.

-What happened? Would you like to tell me?

At that moment, Bautista began to speak softly.

"Mommy, why didn't you go get us tonight?"

On the other hand, Andrés, he just looked at her with pursed lips. Roxanne was surprised.

"I...I had to do something tonight. Someone helped me solve the problem with the research institute. I had to visit them and thank them.

After that, he hesitantly asked.

"Are you sad because I didn't go for you?"

The two children nodded in response. Roxana rarely took them to kindergarten. When she did it this morning, the children thought she would go through them too.

Estela had also thought the same thing. That's why she had been very excited all day. Unfortunately for her, Roxana was not the one who came for them. When Estela looked at Lisa, her eyes turned red with disappointment. Andrés and Bautista were upset when they saw the expression on her face. They knew that Estela loved Roxana, and lately her mother had been avoiding her. Although Estela continued to play with Andrés and Bautista in kindergarten, they could see that she was clearly sad.

Estela was very happy when I finally got to see Roxana. Her unwillingness to not want to be separated from her that morning did not go unnoticed by her brothers. Therefore, they felt just as disappointed as Estela when her mother did not come for them. Roxana had no idea why Andrés and Bautista were sad. Before, Lisa and Magalí were in charge of taking the children to the kindergarten, because it had been busy, and the children had never been sad before.

"Mommy, now that the problem at the research institute is fixed, does that mean we'll be leaving soon? Baptist asked.

He still remembered when Roxana told them that they would leave the country as soon as he finished his work in Chepa. Afterwards, they would not be able to see Estela anymore and Estela would not be able to see Roxana either. Thinking about it, the children lowered their heads sadly. Hearing her children mention the issue of leaving the country, Roxana began to understand why they felt this way. She stroked their heads gently, and she gave them a comforting smile.

-Not yet. We may stay a little longer.

The children's eyes lit up.

-Oh really? Because?

Roxana's smile widened.

"There is something I have to do, so we will stay in Chepa. You guys have to take care of Ela in kindergarten.

Immediately, the children nodded enthusiastically. The sadness disappeared from their faces instantly.

As long as they were still in Chepa, Estela would still have the opportunity to see Roxana.

# Chapter 439 Don't Let Me Down

Once Andrés and Bautista had calmed down, Roxana was able to breathe easy. After dinner, she sent them to her room before retiring to her study.

According to Alfredo, the medical consultation organized by the Dorante family would be in two days, so Roxana had little time to investigate a little more about what this consultation implied and thus be prepared. Although she had already heard about this type of consultation provided by the Dorante family, she had never investigated anything more about it and she never imagined being able to participate in any of them. But, now that she was presented with such a unique opportunity, she was determined to give it her best.

However, he did not have much information regarding the medical consultation process, and the only means of investigation available to him at the moment was the least reliable: the Internet. Hopefully, I could get some hint of such a process.

Luckily for them, the Dorantes were a very mysterious family and, although they had already carried out several medical consultation sessions in the past, the information available on the internet about them was limited.

After spending hours searching without success, Roxana decided to call Javier. He didn't take long to respond and, without thinking about the matter, Roxana asked:

—Professor Laborda, what do you know about the Dorante family?

The question took Javier by surprise.

"The Dorante family withdrew from the public eye several years ago. Why such an unexpected question?

—I heard they're about to hold a medical consultation and was hoping I could learn a bit more about it, but I haven't been able to find enough information about them online. That's why I decided to ask you to see if you could provide me with relevant information," Roxana explained briefly.

After the explanation, Javier remained silent for a moment while he meditated a bit. Then he replied, "

I've been abroad for many years, so you'll have to excuse me." I don't know much about them either. But I can recommend you an online forum where you might be able to find what you are looking for. These types of forums usually deal with families of great prestige in the world of traditional medicine. I hope it helps.

—Thank you, Professor Laborda —said Roxana with a smile.

Javier, for his part, responded with a smile and, without taking it too seriously, changed the subject:

—Didn't you say you'd be back soon? How are things in Chepa? Do you need my assistance?

Javier was aware of what had happened with Roxana's research institute, but the distance prevented him from being of much help. Still, he already had a project lined up for her, and as soon as he got back, he could start working on it right away.

Roxana responded apologetically:

—The situation with the research institute has already been resolved, but... I think I'll stay here a little longer. I want to wait until the Dorantes' medical consultation is over.

If she managed to get the family's attention, the research institute could count on the possibility of collaborating with them and, as expected, Roxana was not going to let such an opportunity pass her by.

Meanwhile, Javier grunted on the other side of the line while he smiled and said:

—But I'm waiting for you here so you can be part of my main team.

Roxana felt guilty again.

"I'm sorry, Professor Laborda..." she said apologetically before she was interrupted by Javier's laughter.

-Alright. She was just joking. If I allowed you to return to Chepa it was so that you could polish your skills in traditional medicine. This opportunity that is now presented to you does not come twice in a lifetime, so as your teacher, of course I want to wish you all the success in the world. I hope your consultation goes well. Don't let me down!

A smile formed on Roxana's face and she answered obediently:

—Don't worry. I will do my best.

"And don't worry about me here. Just let me know when you're ready to come back," Javier said sincerely.

Roxana felt moved.

-Thank you Professor.

Then, Javier asked about the condition of Andrés and Bautista and, upon hearing that they were fine, he ended the call feeling great relief.

#### Chapter 440 The Dorante Family Was Behind Everything

Roxana immediately searched for the forum that Javier recommended. As she entered, she noted that, despite the site's outdated format, many of the entries were fairly recent and most had to do with the Dorante family's medical practices. Many of the users were sharing their impressive resumes on the forum looking for an opportunity to participate in the consultation.

The deeper she got into the forum, the more the pressure increased for Roxana, who felt that she had to work hard and measure up. Otherwise, she would be disappointing everyone who didn't get a pass for this consultation, or at least that's what she believed, and this put a great weight on her shoulders.

After browsing the forum for a long time, he was finally able to find information regarding the previous consultations carried out by the Dorante family. This particular post was shared by an anonymous user who claimed to have participated in one of these queries before. Roxana then read the publication carefully twice. By the time she finished her reading, it could be said that she had almost completely memorized it.

According to the anonymous doctor, the Dorantes' medical consultations focused on congenital diseases and the places where they usually carried them out were abandoned orphanages or children's homes. The consultations were free for children and lasted three days. In addition, the participants in each of these consultations were renowned doctors specializing in the country's traditional medicine. The Dorante family also sent the younger members of the family to provide support during the consultation. Despite his young age, his medical skills surprised even the most experienced, which he was worthy of admiration for.

Through the years and thanks to these consultations, many children who had been abandoned by their families due to their congenital diseases had been able to receive much-needed treatment. Some of them even got to appear on magazine covers, but without giving credit to the Dorante family. This last was proof of how reserved the Dorantes could be despite their great achievements.

Roxana was a mother and had already lost a child, which is why children had a very special place in her heart and, when she learned that this type of consultation was intended for this audience, she could not help but feel admiration for the Dorante family. As if that were not enough, thanks to these consultations, the Dorantes had been able to carry out research and develop treatment plans for certain congenital diseases. Such treatment plans had such positive results that they became a reference model in the traditional medicine industry.

Tens of thousands of children with congenital diseases had been treated each year with the methods developed by the Dorante family, especially those with complicated congenital diseases that other doctors around the world had not been able to solve. Until then, such a high number of children receiving treatment seemed like a mere fantasy. Little by little, and while she continued with her investigation, Roxana felt more and more excited to meet the Dorante family in person.

Within the list of diseases for which the Dorante family had managed to find treatment, there were many that Roxana had investigated on her own. However, when her research was about to give results,

she suddenly found herself with the treatment for such diseases. Immediately afterwards, Roxana would investigate the reliability and validity of the treatment and, after discovering that it was a safe treatment, she would abandon her own investigation while showing respect towards the party responsible for such treatment. But the reality was that she had never imagined that the Dorante family was behind everything. There was no doubt that this was how the Dorante family had managed to maintain their legacy for generations.

Roxana deeply admired all the contributions that the Dorante family had made towards all these children and now she longed to have a good relationship with them. After all, and after the loss of a child, there was no person in the world who valued those little lives as much as Roxana.

After spending a moment in silence processing her emotions, she regained her composure and continued going through the rest of the posts. Once she had read most of these, Roxana finally managed to understand the basic outline of the medical consultation, which was very helpful in preparing for the consultation that was to come.

Roxana had been so engrossed with her reading about the Dorantes that she didn't realize that it was already after midnight. In fact, it was almost one in the morning by the time she finished reading it. Remembering that she had work the next day, she reluctantly turned off the computer and left her study. After taking a bath, she lay down on the bed while her mind continued to think about the doctor's office.