



42. Gifts

"Welcome sir, welcome mam" said the manager of the restaurant "reservations under the name winters" henry said. "Yes sir, this way please" he said and took them to their table.

Henry and evelyn got settled in their seats. "Its a beautiful place dad" she said looking around "I'm glad you liked it" he said. A waiter came and greeted them, he handed them the menus.

Henry placed the menu card down and looked at his daughter "evie" he called. Evelyn looked at him "yeah?"

He smiled and took out a box wrapped in a gi wrap "this is for you, your graduation gi . I'm proud of you princess" he said with a big smile. Evelyn smiled in return and took the gi and opened it, it was a gorgeous watch.



"Dad its beautiful" she breathed happily. Henry took the watch and placed it on her wrist. "Now it looks even more beautiful" said henry admiring the watch in his daughter's small wrist.

"Thank you dad" evelyn said "your very welcome sweetheart" he replied, henry stared at her innocent face and his eyes started to water. "evelyn I'm extremely sorry and before you say that its not my fault let me tell you that it is. Its all my fault that you're in this situation and suffering so much. I failed as a father, i-i'm sorry" henry said, his voice broke at the end.

Evelyn bit her lip to control her tears "d-dad you tell me, did you had any idea that storms will do such type of thing" she asked calmly and henry mumbled a "no" "can you ever think about hurting me" evelyn whispered "never" came henry's reply. "You had no idea something like this will happen dad, then how can it be your fault" evelyn said with a smile.

Henry looked up at her daughter who was smiling "you think you're good in hiding your pain" suddenly he said, this made evelyn's smile drop. "You think i didn't heard you crying" he said holding her hand. Evelyn looked away, yes she was crying herself to sleep these days because of them.

"All these things are su ocating dad" she said still looking down "i can't run away from them, can't hide, but i think its best if i just accept this as my fate" she said with a sigh. "Evel-" she cut him o "everything will be okay if i don't fight this anymore" she mumbled. Henry was on the verge of crying.

Evelyn took a deep breathe "how lets order I'm super hungry" she said with a smile which they both knew was completely fake. Henry nodded not wanting to upset her more.

The father daughter duo ordered and then talked about di erent things while joking around. Even if it was for couple of hours only, but they both enjoyed.

Evelyn laid on her bed, storms were on their way to pick her up for dinner. She didn't bothered to change and remained in the same clothes she wore for her graduation.

At this point evelyn didn't felt anything. She realized that all her crying won't gonna get her out of this situation. Evelyn felt as if slowly she was losing her mind.

She sighed and got up from her bed, evelyn fixed her hair and went downstairs. When she reached the end of the stair her phone dinged indicating she got a message. It was ace, they reached her house.

Evelyn informed henry that she was leaving and as a reply she got a defeated sigh and a nod from him. They both knew that nothing could be done now.

She opened the front door and the storms car came into her view. The trio came out of the car, she went towards them. "Ready puppy?" asked elijah taking her hand in his "yes" she replied timidly. Noah and ace smiled at her.

They sat inside the car, evelyn remained quiet. She felt empty, no emotions nothing. The trio was as usual sitting close to her, she was like a drug to them and they were dangerously addicted to her. "You're so so , so warm kitten" ace whispered in her ear, she didn't said anything.

A er some time the car stopped. Chase opened the car door and they came out. Noah extended his hand for evelyn which she took.

They entered inside the five star restaurant. The owner himself was standing their to greet them. "Its such an honor to have you here Mr. Storm" he said and they shake hands and turned towards evelyn "good evening young lady" he said politely "hello" evelyn replied with a small smile.

"Everything is ready sir, please come this way" the owner said and lead them to their tables. Evelyn looked around in awe, everything was beautiful. "Please enjoy" he said and le . Elijah pulled a chair for evelyn, she mumbled a 'thank you' and settled down. Ace and elijah sat beside her while noah sat in front.

She noticed that there were no other people around. Evelyn frowned at the thought of being alone with the storms. "Babygirl" called noah, she looked up and saw the trio staring at her with a smile. "Y-Yes?" she stuttered.

Storms looked at each other and smiled. They pulled out gi box from their suit jackets. She looked at the boxes and then at the brothers.

They just smirked and opened the boxes themselves. Ace was holding a cute gold bracelet in his hands, he took evelyn's wrist and placed it there.

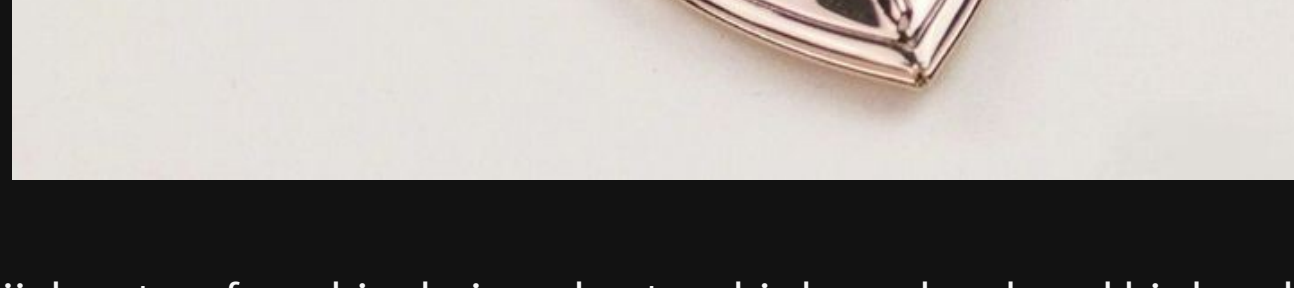


Noah got up and went towards evelyn, she gulped in fear. He stood behind her and gently moved her hair exposing her neck.

Evelyn felt something cold around her neck, she looked down and saw a beautiful rose gold pendant.



Elijah got up from his chair and got on his knee, he placed his hand over her ankle and evelyn's breathe hitched. He kissed her ankle and then placed a diamond anklet around it.



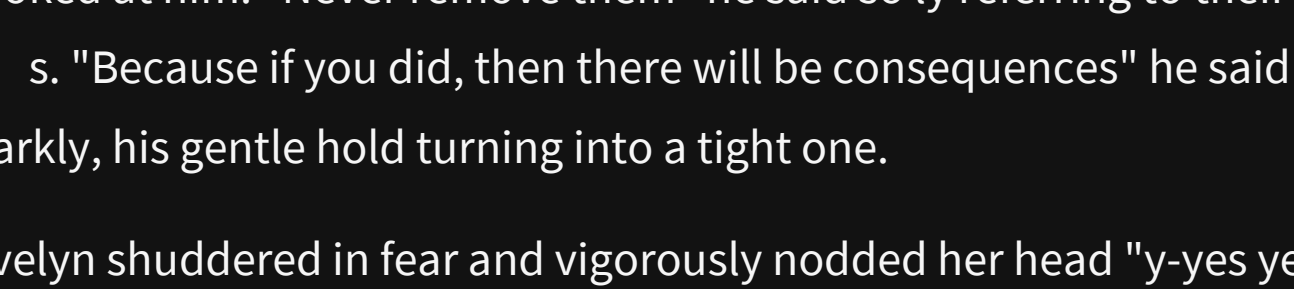
Evelyn looked at their gi s in bewilderment, they were beautiful. She looked at them "these are your graduation gi s little one" said noah with a smile.

"h-" she didn't knew what to say. "Thank y-you but you shouldn't have b-bothe-" "oh come on kitten, our beautiful fiance has graduated and she deserve these" ace said caressing her cheek.

Elijah held her hand and kissed it. "Puppy" he said, evelyn hesitantly looked at him. "Never remove them" he said so ly referring to their gi s. "Because if you did, then there will be consequences" he said darkly, his gentle hold turning into a tight one.

Evelyn shuddered in fear and vigorously nodded her head "y-yes yes" she said hurriedly. "Good girl" the trio said in unison.

Their food arrived , the brothers ordered all her favorite cuisines.



Ace cut a piece of steak and forwarded it towards evelyn, she looked at him but didn't dared to argue. She quietly opened her mouth, he smiled and started feeding her.

Evelyn was full but ace wasn't stopping feeding her "a-ace I'm full" she said so ly, but ace narrowed their eyes at her. She didn't ate that much. "You need to eat more little one" noah said "but I'm full" she said as politely as possible.

Ace sighed "okay just eat two more bites" he said sternly and she nodded. Evelyn loved food but she didn't had that much of diet.

The entire dinner the storms were the one talking, other then some 'yes' and hms evelyn didn't said much.

"I talked to the wedding planner, everything is perfect just some small preparations are le" elijah said sipping his wine. Evelyn's mouth went dry a er hearing that.

"Just one week kitten and then you'll be completely ours" ace whispered in her ear making her shudder in fear.

"Why are you so quite babygirl" noah asked, evelyn looked down at her hands. So many things were going in her mind.

"Why do you kill people" she blurted out, surprising the storms and shocking herself too.

Evelyn slowly looked up and saw the expression less faces of storms. "Why do you do that? Don't your family feel sad about it" she asked. This was the first time that she mentioned their family.

Evelyn could swear she saw some kind of glint in their eyes but it was gone in a second. The brothers were calm, dangerously calm, but then an evil smirk formed on their faces.

They stood up from their chairs, evelyn remained freezed in her seat. The storms were surrounding her. She suddenly flinched when noah touched her neck gently.

"You wanna know who was the first person we ever killed?" Asked elijah. Evelyn cringed at his question but soon found herself nodding. The trio looked at each other and smirked, a bitter smirk.

They bent down to whisper the answer in her ear, giving her the shock of her life.

"Our parents"

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