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Chapter 631 I Won't Abandon You

“Caroline, you should know very well that your apology is not what I want,” Evan said.

Caroline’s heart was racing. “I don’t understand what you mean.

Evan’s eyes gleamed with a smile. “Now that we’ve resolved Daniella’s situation, you should see that there’s no connection between her and me, then or now.”

Caroline lowered her gaze and took a sip of water. “Evan, do you think Daniella’s acting alone in all of this?

Evan furrowed his brow. “What do you mean?”

Caroline continued. “If Daniella was on her own, I’d have exposed her right from the start yesterday.”

“So you’re saying someone else is involved?” Evan asked.

Caroline nodded. “I can’t be sure, but it’s just a hunch.”

“Do you have a plan? Evan inquired.

Caroline remained silent, already carrying out her plan and awaiting the outcome.

Meanwhile, Daniella had moved back to International Residence. She couldn’t muster the courage to leave her home, as the bodyguards stationed at her door prevented irate internet users from entering.

She anxiously chewed on her nails while curled up on the sofa. "Why is this happening to me? It should be Caroline who faces everyone's scorn! How did I become the target? I wish Caroline would pay for taking everything that's rightfully mine. She deserves to suffer!"

Suddenly, her phone rang, and she viciously grabbed it when she saw Hector's caller ID.

"Mr. Hendrix!" Daniella's face contorted in anger.

Hector remarked nonchalantly, "Can't handle a single setback?"

"You're the one who pushed me into this mess! I followed your instructions, and look where it got me!"

Daniella yelled.

Hector replied calmly, "Think you can shout at me here? Remember, I have evidence of your crimes."

Daniella exploded. "Go ahead, expose me! What's the difference between my current situation and being in prison?"

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"You're giving up, huh? Seems I've misjudged you," Hector scoffed.

Daniella was taken aback. "I forgot that Mr. Hendrix is Casey! I have no one else to turn to. If I fall out with Casey now, how will I regain my standing in Angelbay?"

Daniella apologized, "I'm sorry, Mr. Hendrix, Please guide me."

Hector sneered. "Don't contact me again if you can't keep your composure."

He hung up, leaving Daniella trembling as she stared at her phone.

“Is Casey abandoning me? No, Evan’s support is uncertain, so I can’t afford to lose Casey,” she thought.

After half an hour, Daniella called Casey. He answered after a while.

“Casey...” Daniella began, her voice hurried.

Casey paused briefly before replying. “Ella.”

Daniella felt a tightening in her chest. “Casey, are... you going to abandon me too?”

Casey chuckled reassuringly. “Don’t talk nonsense. I won’t desert you, no matter how others misunderstand you.”

Daniella sighed with relief. ‘Casey must have intentionally provoked me earlier to help me regain my composure.’

“Where are you? I’d like to see you,” she said, tears welling up.

Casey replied gently, “It’s best if you stay in for now. Send me your address, and I’ll come to you.”

Chapter 632 Let’s Get Engaged

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After ending the call, Daniella quickly texted Casey the address for International Residence.

Half an hour later, a knock at the door startled Daniella. She struggled to open it but threw herself into his

arms upon seeing Casey. I'm scared, Casey." She sobbed.

Casey casually patted Daniella's back and suggested, "Why don't we talk inside?"

Daniella nodded eagerly, leading Casey into the house. They settled on the sofa, with Daniella leaning on him. "Casey, what should I do next?" she asked.

"You can't do anything right now. I think it's best for you to stay out of the spotlight," Casey said as he wrapped his arm around Daniella's shoulder.

Daniella nodded, listening intently to Casey's plan.

"It's not easy to handle Caroline. Maybe you should consider changing your approach," Casey proposed.

Daniella sat up straight. "What do you mean by changing my approach?*

Casey replied, "That's something you'll need to figure out on your own, Ella."

Daniella shook her head in dismay. "I can't make peace with this, Casey."

Casey reassured, "Evan treated me poorly and made me a target, yet I'm still fearless, right?"

"You're different. You have the Jordans backing you. They won't harm you," Daniella pointed out.

Casey smirked. "If that's the case, I'll be your backer."

Daniella's eyes widened in shock. "Casey... are you serious?"

"Yes, I am. No one will bully you with me around," Casey declared, cupping Daniella's face.

Overwhelmed with disbelief and gratitude, Daniella leaned in and kissed Casey passionately, seeking comfort and security in his embrace.

Casey gazed at Daniella with a sly grin. This foolish woman is all mine now."

Casey left International Residence after a joyful session.

Daniella curled up in the bed, shaking constantly, and her face was pale. She caressed her face, which was still throbbing in pain after being squeezed by Casey.

Casey had rammed into her like a changed man half an hour ago.

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She had been begging for mercy, but Casey would clutch her face to prevent her from making any sound.

The tearing pain from her lower body almost knocked her out of consciousness a few times, yet Casey.

did not show any intention of stopping.

It was her first time being scared of engaging in sex.

Daniella gnashed her teeth. "I can't tell anyone or run because I will lose the person who can help me!"

That night, Caroline returned to Bayview Villa with the children. She received a call from Paige as soon as

she stepped out of the car.

"Hello?" Caroline answered.

Paige's voice brimmed with excitement. "I've already told Alex about it, Carol."

Caroline was taken aback. "So soon?"

"Yeah, I figured I'd tell him sooner or later. Rather than keeping it to myself and feeling restless, I decided

to tell him now," Paige explained.

Caroline admired Paige's courage. "Judging by your tone, Alex must be thrilled."

"He's ecstatic! He said he's taking me on a vacation! Why don't you come with us, Carol?" Paige

suggested.

Caroline hesitated, but Paige continued. "Why hesitate when it's a celebration of your best friend's

pregnancy?"

Caroline finally relented. "Well, I just didn't want to intrude on your alone time together."

Paige giggled. "What! Alex has already invited Evan, too!"

Chapter 633 Feeling Sad Because of Him.

"Did he agree to go? He probably doesn't enjoy crowds, right?" Caroline asked, puzzled.

"At first, he didn't. But he agreed after Alex told him you'd be joining!" Paige chuckled.

Caroline said, "You acted without consulting me."

Paige replied, "Yikes, what do you mean by acting without consulting? We're going on vacation after

Mardi Gras!"

"Okay..."

Caroline ended the call and entered the villa.

Liora rushed over and asked with excitement, "Mommy, are you going on a holiday?"

Caroline gently touched Liora's nose. "Yes, your godmother is pregnant and invited us to celebrate."

"Pregnant? Is she having a baby?" Liora tilted her head in confusion.

Caroline nodded. "Yes, she's carrying a baby in her womb. You're going to be a big sister, Lia!"

"Really? I'm going to be a big sister?" Liora jumped up in excitement.

“Yes. I’m visiting the hospital tomorrow.” Caroline led Liora to the living room, holding her hand.

Tyler turned and asked, “Are you going to see the doctor about Axel?”

Caroline nodded. “Evan told me Axel will be discharged before Mardi Gras, so I want to confirm the exact

time. We can’t leave Axel alone if we’re going on a trip.”

Tyler got up and said, “Mommy, can I come with you?”

“Me too, Mommy!” Liora chimed in.

Caroline smiled. “Sure, we’ll go together.”

The next day, Caroline took the children to the hospital.

Caroline heard Evan’s voice as she arrived at the doctor’s office.

“How is Axel?”

Richie replied, “Mr. Jordan, your son will be released from protective isolation later. His condition is

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full recovery.”

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Tears welled up in Caroline's eyes upon hearing the news. She lowered her head and told the children,

Axel will meet you later. Are you excited?"

"Don't cry, Mommy. Axel doesn't want to see you sad because of him," Liora comforted Caroline by patting her waist.

Tyler handed Caroline a tissue. "Wipe your tears, Mommy."

"Thank you," Caroline said as she took the tissue and wiped her tears away.

Evan soon walked out of the office and found Caroline standing at the door with their children.

He was momentarily stunned before saying. "Axel is doing quite well. He'll be released soon." 1

"I heard that. Axel is working hard to get well!" Caroline said, smiling with tears of joy.

Evan looked at Caroline in amazement. It had been a long time since he had seen her so joyful. He regretted not telling her about Axel's condition sooner.

Half an hour later, Axel was wheeled out of protective isolation.

He wore a cap and mask, with a pale face and dimmed gaze.

"Axel!" Liora called out in excitement.

Axel's body tensed briefly before he raised his head to see Caroline, Evan, Tyler, and Liora at the door.

“Daddy... Mommy... Ty... Lia...”

Caroline instantly shed tears upon hearing Axel’s hoarse voice. “Axel...”

Caroline knelt down, sobbing. She wanted to touch Axel’s emaciated face but was concerned that her hands weren’t clean.

“You can touch him,” the nurse reminded her.

Caroline nodded. “Thank you.”

She placed her hand on Axel’s hand.

“Axel, I’m sorry I’m late,” Caroline said, tears in her eyes as she held Axel’s cold hand.

Chapter 634 I Have a Strict Wife

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Axel tightly pressed his lips together, tears filling his eyes upon hearing Caroline’s words.

“It’s okay, Mommy. I made it through,” Axel reassured her, wiping away Caroline’s tears with his hand.

Caroline held Axel’s hand and confessed guiltily, “I blame myself for not noticing your condition, for feeling helpless when you were in pain during your treatment. I’m so sorry, Axel...”

Caroline wept as Axel recalled the pain of his bone marrow extraction and treatment.

Axel embraced Caroline tightly and whispered, 'No need to apologize, Mommy. I don't want you to be sad because of me. I've worked hard to recover so I can see you happy. Please don't cry, Mommy. It makes

me sad, too."

Tyler and Liora also shed tears as they witnessed the emotional scene.

Liora wanted to join the hug, but Tyler stopped her. She said through her tears, "Don't stop me from hugging Axel..."

"Don't touch Axel with your dirty hands," Tyler reminded Liora after drying his own tears.

Liora retorted, "My hands are perfectly clean!"

Tyler looked at her skeptically, "I doubt it."

Liora shot back, "Still cleaner than yours!"

While Axel continued to cry, Liora and Tyler bickered with each other.

Evan reflected on the distinct personalities of his triplets.

Upon learning of Axel's release from protective isolation, Alex and Paige rushed to the hospital.

Paige cried tears of joy when she saw Axel in bed. "You're amazing, Axel! You beat the illness!"

Axel wasn't used to Paige's enthusiasm, but he greeted her with a smile. "Hello, Godmother."

Paige pulled Alex over and handed Axel some gifts, "I brought you lots of delicious food and toys. You must work hard to regain your strength!"

Caroline teased, "Are you treating Alex like a delivery service?"

"I'm more than happy to do it! Paige is my boss, and I'll do whatever she says!" Alex replied excitedly,

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Evan couldn't help but scoff. "Like an obedient puppy."

"Hey! I'm just treating my woman right! You don't have to be jealous even if you don't have a significant other!" Alex shot back at Evan, displeased.

Evan's expression turned serious. "Can you please be quiet?"

Alex raised his chin confidently and pulled Paige closer. "What are you going to do? I have a woman of my own!"

"Back off! You're annoying! Stop clinging to me!" Paige pushed Alex's arm away in irritation.

Liora couldn't contain her laughter, "Uncle Alex, you're embarrassing!"

Alex scratched his head and grinned. "What can I say? I have a strict wife..."

"Who are you calling a strict wife? Paige glared at Alex.

Alex cowered and said, "Sorry, I don't have the guts to complain about you. Please don't be mad at me,

Paige. Stress isn't good for the baby."

"Baby?" Evan looked at Paige, puzzled. "Are you pregnant?"

Paige nodded. "Yes. I found out yesterday during a check-up with Carol."

Evan said casually, "I'll grant you paid leave after Mardi Gras."

Paige protested, "No need, Mr. Jordan. I can still work. I don't want my job to be affected by something,

minor like this."

Evan insisted, "You'll take paid leave."

"Great! I'll start my leave next month!" Paige accepted with gratitude.

Chapter 635 Together

Paige and Alex stayed for a while before they departed.

Axel hadn't been discharged from the hospital yet, even after coming out of protective isolation. Caroline suggested staying back to keep him company.

Evan took on the responsibility of looking after Liora and Tyler.

After Evan left, Caroline met with Axel's attending physician. "Dr. Webber, can we travel with the child?"

Richie replied, "He's recovering quickly, so a trip should be fine. However, it would be best to have a doctor accompany you."

Caroline was relieved and asked, "Will he be discharged tomorrow?"

Richie said, "It would be nice to have him home for Lundi Gras. After all, he's been in protective isolation all by himself for a month."

Caroline replied with gratitude, "Thank you."

When Caroline returned to the room, she found Axel already asleep. She gently caressed his face, and he

slowly opened his eyes as if he sensed it.

Caroline stopped her movement and said, "I'm sorry for waking you, Axel."

Axel shook his head and replied, "It's okay, Mommy."

Caroline asked, "Are you hungry? Shall I get you something to eat?"

"I'm not hungry. I have a question for you, Mommy," Axel cautiously said.

Caroline smiled and asked, "What is it, my dear?"

"Mommy, will you and Daddy reconcile?" Axel asked.

Caroline was taken aback. "Why do you ask?"

Axel explained, "I didn't see you two arguing today. A lot has happened in the past month, hasn't it?"

Caroline pulled back her hand, sat down, and gently pulled Axel into her arms. "My dear, a lot has indeed

happened recently. However, it's a complex situation. I can't give you a definite answer about the future

between your father and me, but I can tell you this. If we can overcome our differences, we'll be together."

She would carefully consider her decision for the sake of her children now that Daniella's situation had

been resolved.

Axel leaned against Caroline with his eyes closed. "I'll respect your decision, Mommy."

Caroline kissed the top of Axel's head. "And I'll work hard for you."

"I will work hard to convince myself to accept Evan again," she thought.

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At 10:00 p.m., Caroline put Axel to bed and prepared to lie down on the other bed. Just as she was about

to get into bed, Evan entered.

She looked at him in surprise and whispered, "Why are you back? Where are the children?"

"They're at Bayview Villa with Eira," Evan replied.

Caroline said, "You sent them back to Bayview Villa?"

Evan nodded and sat down. "You should be more at ease knowing they're with your nanny rather than my

service staff."

Caroline lowered her gaze, not sure what to say. After all, Evan was telling the truth. She would have been.

worried if he had left the children at Villa Rosa.

Caroline asked, "Will you be leaving again later?"

Evan smiled at Caroline. "Do you want me to stay?"

Caroline blushed. "That's not what I meant."

Evan said, "Let's spend Lundi Gras together tomorrow."

Caroline replied, "It's probably crowded at my house tomorrow night. If you don't mind-"

Evan raised an eyebrow. "Do you think I'd mind your family members? Or do you not want Axel and me to

be there?"

Chapter 636 Permission Granted

Caroline said, "You can come with us. I'd like to spend Lundi Gras with Axel as well."

Caroline stood up and announced, "I'm going to the restroom."

As she walked past Evan, he reached out to grab her arm, pulling her into his arms before she could react.

He held her tightly, not intending to let her go.

Caroline's eyes widened in shock, and she blushed, exclaiming "What are you doing? Let go of me. Our child is here!"

"Caroline," Evan whispered against her neck, sending a shiver down her spine.

A numbing sensation overwhelmed her, and Caroline pushed at him. "Let go of me before you talk."

Evan spoke gently, his deep gaze fixed on her, "Let's be together."

or body stiffening

Caroline was stunned, at his words. Her heart raced, and she struggled to find her words, thinking, 'Should we? The timing doesn't seem right, but I can't find a good reason to reject him.'

While Caroline pondered, Evan continued. "You don't have to give me an answer now, but I hope you'll consider my proposal."

Caroline relaxed slightly and replied, "Give me some time, please..."

Evan insisted, "Set a deadline."

Caroline remained silent, about to respond when Evan's phone rang. She pushed him away and said, "

Take the call first."

Evan nodded, answering his phone. "What is it?"

Reuben reported, "Mr. Casey and Ms. Love got engaged, sir!

Evan's expression darkened. "When did that happen?"

"Last night. We've been monitoring information from your father's staff. They said Mr. Casey received your father's permission last night."

"Understood." Evan hung up the call.

Caroline looked at him with concern. "If Casey gets engaged to Daniella now, it can significantly impact

MK."

Evan smirked. "He should be prepared to lose his job if that's what he wants!"

Caroline didn't say more, knowing Evan had a plan to handle Casey,

+15 BONUS

Later that night, Caroline slept on the caregiver bed while Evan reviewed documents on the sofa.

Caroline wanted to ask if Evan wanted to rest, noticing his face illuminated by dim lighting, but she

hesitated. There was only one bed, and Evan would never allow her to take the sofa.

Overwhelmed with emotions, Caroline closed her eyes, her mind filled with her conversation with Evan.

Soon, she drifted to sleep.

Caroline felt discomfort in her abdomen the next morning. She opened her eyes to find Axel sitting on the

bed, smiling at her.

Caroline was surprised. "You're up, Axel."

Axel nodded. "Mommy, where's Daddy?"

Caroline glanced at the empty sofa and stood up, rubbing her eyes. "Is your daddy..."

Before she could finish her sentence, she felt an arm sliding around her and exclaimed, "Gah!"

Startled, she turned to see Evan lying behind her—he had slipped into bed without her notice.

Evan opened his eyes drowsily upon hearing her scream and asked, "You're awake?"

Chapter 637 Welcome Home

Caroline glared at him. "Why are you sleeping here?"

Evan replied, "You should ask yourself why you kicked the blanket."

Caroline felt embarrassed and exclaimed, "What nonsense are you talking about!"

wouldn't have to squeeze into the small bed with you if I could stop you." Evan sat up and glanced at

Axel. "You can leave the hospital today, I'll drop you off at Bayview Villa first."

Axel was briefly shocked before he smiled. "Sure,"

Caroline glared at Evan, wondering if he had heard her.

At 10:00 a.m., Axel was discharged from the hospital.

Evan sent him and Caroline back to Bayview Villa and said, "I'll come over later."

Caroline nodded and got out of the car, holding Axel's hand.

Tyler and Liora rushed from the living room when they entered the villa.

Liora cheered with excitement upon seeing Axel. "Congratulations on getting out, Axel!"

Tyler smiled at Axel. "Welcome home."

Axel nodded. "Thank you."

The kids invited Axel to play in the living room while Caroline called out to Eira, who was busy in the kitchen.

"I'm here!"

Eira ran out of the kitchen. "How can I help, Carol?"

Caroline asked, "Is it okay that you're not celebrating Lundi Gras with your family?"

Eira smiled. "My parents have a tradition of traveling during Mardi Gras. So please, let me stay with you,

Carol."

Caroline nodded. "Sure. Join us for the festivities. Come with me to buy some food later."

Eira said, "Of course!"

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In the afternoon, Caroline and Eira bought a variety of delicious foods like barbecued ribs, gumbo, king cake, and more.

By the time they returned home, it was already 4:00 p.m., and Paige and Alex had arrived.

Paige wanted to help with the heavy bags of food.

Caroline stopped her, saying. "You shouldn't lift heavy things during pregnancy."

Paige pouted, "Why am I being treated like a deadbeat just because I'm pregnant?"

"A pregnant woman shouldn't be doing anything strenuous!"

Alex arrived and gently held Paige's hand. "Go inside first and leave this to me."

Paige walked into the villa.

Eira exclaimed, "Paige is so lucky to have a partner who treats her well."

Caroline smiled at her. "You deserve a good partner, too."

"Don't tease me, Carol." Eira blushed.

Caroline carried a bag of food and headed toward the villa. Before entering, she received a text message from Greta.

Greta: [Carol, Uncle Tom and I wanted to wish you Happy Mardi Gras in advance! We'll be spending time with your grandfather, so we won't be coming over. Please give our regards to the children.]

Caroline was about to reply when Greta Venmoed her three times, each for 2,800 dollars.

Caroline was shocked.

Caroline: [Aunt Greta, what are you doing?]

Greta: [This is a gift for you and the children from Uncle Tom and me. I'll be upset if you decline it]

Caroline didn't want to hurt Greta's feelings, so she accepted the money and thanked her.

Caroline: [Happy Mardi Gras to you and Uncle Tom.]

Kenny and Scott walked in not long after bringing the items indoors, adding excitement to the villa's atmosphere.

Caroline called Neil from her bustling house.

Chapter 638 Pretending

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Caroline playfully teased, "Eira and I will be really busy if you don't come."

Puzzled, Neil asked, "Aren't Scott and Kenny helping out? Isn't Paige there?"

Caroline explained, "Paige is pregnant, so I won't let her help. The kids are with Scott and Kenny, so they can't free themselves either."

Caroline thought about how Alex had become overly devoted to Paige.

Neil was surprised and asked, "Is it Alex's?"

Caroline replied, "Paige has never been with another man besides Alex."

Neil assured, "I'm sorry, I'm picking up the drinks, and I'll be there in 15 minutes."

Caroline cautioned, "Drive safely."

After ending the call, Caroline hesitated about calling Evan. It was almost 5:30 p.m., so he should be done

with work. She decided to send a text message.

Caroline: [Dinner will be ready soon. When will you be here?]

Caroline waited for Evan's reply but didn't receive one. She put down her phone and helped Eira serve the

food.

Meanwhile, at Jordan Residence.

Evan sat at the dining table casually. Draco occupied the main seat, with Adam, Casey, and Daniella on

either side. The atmosphere in the dining room felt heavy, contrasting with the lively atmosphere outside.

Adam couldn't bear the tension any longer and raised his glass, stuttering, "F--Father, Happy Mardi Gras."

Draco clinked glasses with Adam and said casually, "Thank you, cheers."

Adam quickly finished his drink, feeling uneasy about the strange atmosphere in the room.

Casey handed the bread to Daniella and addressed Draco, "It's Lundi Gras, and I couldn't bear the thought

of Ella being alone. So, I brought her here to join us and help her get used to our family, Father."

Draco's expression softened slightly upon hearing Casey's explanation. He then turned to Daniella,

speaking coldly. “Since you’ve become part of our family, you should act like a newlywed. Casey has always had health issues, yet you haven’t even cooked for him. You’re not behaving like a wife at all.”

Daniella looked up at Draco in surprise. She hadn’t expected Draco to demand that she cook.

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‘I’m supposed to be a newlywed, and I have to do servant’s work? Are all the servants gone? I won’t let

you order me around if I had any other choice!’ Daniella thought, but she forced herself to reply

respectfully, “Understood, Father.”

Daniella left the dining room, her expression turning resentful when no one was looking. She thought, ‘I’ll

get back at this humiliation someday. It’s Caroline’s fault! The old man wouldn’t treat me like this if not for

her.”

Draco’s gaze shifted to Evan, who frequently checked his watch after Daniella left. He sneered and

remarked, “If you didn’t have to follow my ridiculous rule, would you be here?”

Evan replied coldly. “I wouldn’t be here if it weren’t for your unreasonable demands.”

Adam quickly scolded him, “Evan! You can’t talk to our father like that!”

Chapter 639 Part Ways Without Joy

“How is that any of your business?” Evan asked coldly.

Adam was about to speak, but Draco hit the table and placed his glass heavily on it. He shouted at Evan, “Do you still have any manners in you?”

“Father, Evan is just lively. It’s normal for him to have a strong personality. Please don’t get angry,” Casey said calmly.

Casey’s comment only infuriated Draco further.

He glared sternly at Evan. “We’ll never have peace in this family as long as you’re here!”

“I’m returning the favor, just as it is. I believe this family is tainted as long as Casey is a part of it,” Evan retorted with a scoff.

Draco’s anger flared, and he slammed the table again. “Get out of here, you piece of shit!”

Evan stood up and slowly buttoned up his jacket. “It’s clear that I won’t share a meal with a sex offender at the same table.”

Without looking back, Evan walked out of the dining room.

However, as he walked away, a coffee pot was hurled at his back, soaking the back of his outfit in scalding coffee.

“Get out of here! It’s better if you never come back, you ungrateful bastard!” Draco snarled.

Evan's expression remained solemn as he walked away without turning back. He crossed paths with

Daniella, who was leaving the kitchen with a bowl of soup.

"Evan, are you leaving?" Daniella asked, her voice tinged with surprise.

Evan replied coldly, "I've underestimated your capabilities."

Before she could explain herself, Eyan walked away, perplexing Daniella.

Meanwhile, Reuben sat enjoying a hamburger while watching the crews on their floats. After swallowing a

bite, he noticed Evan and called out, "Mr. Jordan!"

Evan glanced at him and said, "Take me to Bayview Villa."

Reuben replied, "Yes, sir!"

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When they got into the car, Evan looked at Reuben through the rearview mirror and said, "You can have dinner at Bayview Villa later."

Reuben was taken aback. "But, sir--"

"Caroline won't mind," Evan said coldly.

"Yes, sir."

Reuben knew Caroline wouldn't mind, but Evan wanted him to join the dinner because it was an important event. He couldn't help but sigh when he noticed Evan's somber mood. He knew that every

Lundi Gras, Evan and Draco would part ways without joy.

At Bayview Villa, Neil brought some good liquor to the dinner, and Caroline joined in for a few drinks to celebrate. However, she kept stealing glances at the window.

Kenny followed Caroline's gaze and asked, "What are you looking at, G?"

"Huh? Oh, nothing, just the fireworks," Caroline said, snapping back to reality.

"We'll be playing with fireworks later, too. Why are you so fixated on them?" Kenny asked as he stuffed his

mouth with food.

Paige smiled at Caroline and teased, "You're waiting for Evan, aren't you?"

Alex chimed in. "That's for sure. Caroline is getting impatient because Evan hasn't shown up yet."

Caroline glared at them and retorted, "Isn't the food enough to keep you all quiet?"

While Paige whispered secrets with Caroline, Neil observed Scott nonchalantly. He noticed that Scott's mood remained unaffected when they mentioned Evan.

Neil wondered about Scott's feelings toward Caroline, thinking, "Doesn't he get jealous at all when

someone teases her about other men?

Chapter 640 Get Married

Scott turned to Neil, sensing his gaze, and asked with a faint smile, "What's happening?"

Neil hesitated briefly, then spoke. "I need to talk to you."

"Sure," Scott replied as they moved away from the dining table to the yard.

Neil got to the point, "Tell me honestly, how do you feel about Carol?"

Scott adjusted his sweater collar and replied, "Isn't it clear I've been by her side for five years?"

"But you didn't seem jealous when they mentioned Evan earlier," Neil said, studying Scott closely.

Scott grinned. "I'm over 30 now. I can control my emotions."

Leaning against the car, Neil remarked, "You seem a bit too casual about it."

"I've realized there's no future for Carol and me," Scott said calmly.

"Why not strive for it then?" Neil asked.

"If striving worked, we'd have been together already," Scott replied.

Neil felt regretful about Scott not being with his sister. It was rare to find a man so considerate toward

Carol

“Scott, find a suitable lady and get married,” Neil suggested.

“Nah, I’m content being by her side like this,” Scott declined.

Neil sighed. “You don’t need to sacrifice yourself forever.”

Scott remained silent for a while, then said, “I’m willing to sacrifice for peace of mind.”

Nell was stunned, struggling to understand Scott’s remark.

‘What does that even mean? Is he into self-punishment?’ he wondered.

“It’s quite cold outside. I’m going in,” Scott declared before heading into the villa.

Meanwhile, Evan’s car pulled into the yard.

Nell watched as Evan got out and approached him cautiously.

“Please, don’t upset Carol on Lundi Gras!” Nell warned.

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Evan glared at him coldly. “There’s no conflict between us at the moment.”

He walked past Neil and into the villa without acknowledging him.

Neil called after him, “If you’ve chosen her, don’t hurt her anymore, or you’ll answer to me!

Evan stopped but didn’t turn around. “I’ll tolerate your rudeness this time because you’re Caroline’s

brother.”

He entered the villa without looking back.

As Evan disappeared inside, Reuben couldn't help but tell Neil, “Honestly, Mr. Jordan has done a lot for

Ms. Shenton...”

Neil sighed. “Go inside and join the dinner.”

In the living room, the voices and laughter ceased when Evan arrived.

Alex stood up, walked to Evan, and patted his back. “Hurry and take a seat. You're quite late. We're almost

finished eating...”

Alex's expression froze as he pulled his hand back, astonished. “Why is your shirt wet, Evan?”

He circled around Evan and sniffed. “Coffee? Who spilled coffee on you? he asked anxiously.

Caroline looked at Evan in amazement, thinking he had been at Jordan Residence earlier. ‘Did Evan's father harass him on a joyful occasion like this?’ she wondered.