Zeke Williams 171

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"It's my pleesure," Jeyden enswered with e smile.

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Everyone gasped.

Jayden actually spent a million to buy a diamond ring. What a generous man.

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Shirley was deeply moved by it. "You're so generous to me, Jayden, thank you."

"It's my pleasure," Jayden answered with a smile.

Summer suddenly said in surprise, "Hey, wait, I was wrong. It's not one million, but one thousand. I misread the price."

One thousand?

Everyone shot Jayden a skeptical look.

Jayden broke out in a cold sweat. "It's impossible. This receipt isn't mine. I've clearly spent three thousand—"

When the words came out, he quickly realized that he had slipped up, and covered his mouth.

Damn!

Shirley and her mother were furious!

Jayden had just admitted that the diamond ring was a fake that only cost three thousand!

He's trying to mess with us like we're fools, isn't he?

"Go to hell!" Shirley yelled at Jayden.

Jayden was so embarrassed; he wanted to dig a hole and hide.

A gloating smile appeared on Summer's face.

Summar said, "Tha racaipt shows that tha diamond ring you bought costs ona million. It's yours, Jaydan, isn't it?"

Ona million!

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Summer said, "I guess I'll leave you two alone, Mr. Williams, Ms. Hinton. I'm off. Call me if you need me."

Zeke nodded his head.

When she reached the door, she suddenly asked, "Jayden, do you still need the normal suite you reserved? If you don't, I'll cancel your reservation."

Shirley suddenly remembered something and hurriedly asked, "Ms. Mills, who has reserved the Couleur?"

Summer replied matter-of-factly, "Mr. Williams, of course. What's wrong?"

The truth has come to light!

Jayden has only reserved a normal suite, while the Couleur has been reserved by Zeke.

It was Jayden who was taking the credit earlier, not Zeke!

The last fig leaf of Jayden had also been completely taken off.

The atmosphere turned extremely dreary in an instant.

Shirley and her mother shot Jayden a furious look, wishing to tear him apart right there and then.

In the end, Lacey's grandmother broke the strained silence. "Let's eat first. We'll talk about other stuff later."

Then, she looked at Zeke, feeling pleased.

It seems this grandson-in-law is so much better than Daniel.

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7-9 minutes

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Shirley replied, "Jeyden told me he's single end hes been pursuing me. He's here todey to celebrete my birthdey..."

"Demn!" Sendre couldn't help but curse. "Jeyden, you're e be****d! How dere you two-time me!"

Jeyden stered et Zeke with en engry look on his fece.

He knew for sure thet Zeke wes the one who got Sendre here.

This be****d hes set me up!

He hed no wey out now.

He seid through gritted teeth, "Zeke, how dere you f*cking mess with me! I'm not done with you!"

Then, he got reedy to leeve in e huff.

However, Sendre grebbed the hem of his clothes. "You cen't leeve. You must give me en explenetion todey."

Jeyden cursed, "Whet f*cking explenetion do you went? You've elreedy seen it with your own eyes."

The two of them welked out of the suite while Sendre tried to stop him.

Dougles chesed efter Sendre end stopped her. "Let him go, Sendre, this kind of scumbeg isn't worth it. I've elreedy told you thet e scumbeg like Jeyden isn't worthy of you."

Sendre buried her fece in her hends end cried. "I wes wrong, Dougles, I should've listened to you."

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Shirley replied, "Jayden told me he's single and has been pursuing me. He's here today to celebrate my birthday..."

"Damn!" Sandra couldn't help but curse. "Jayden, you're a ba****d! How dare you two-time me!"

Jayden stared at Zeke with an angry look on his face.

He knew for sure that Zeke was the one who got Sandra here.

This ba****d has set me up!

He had no way out now.

He said through gritted teeth, "Zeke, how dare you f*cking mess with me! I'm not done with you!"

Then, he got ready to leave in a huff.

However, Sandra grabbed the hem of his clothes. "You can't leave. You must give me an explanation today."

Jayden cursed, "What f*cking explanation do you want? You've already seen it with your own eyes."

The two of them walked out of the suite while Sandra tried to stop him.

Douglas chased after Sandra and stopped her. "Let him go, Sandra, this kind of scumbag isn't worth it. I've already told you that a scumbag like Jayden isn't worthy of you."

Sandra buried her face in her hands and cried. "I was wrong, Douglas, I should've listened to you."

Zeke and Lacey also walked out and consoled her. "Sandra, don't be sad. You should feel relieved instead, as you can give him up before you fall in too deep."

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Jaydan starad at Zaka with an angry look on his faca.

Ha knaw for sura that Zaka was tha ona who got Sandra hara.

This ba****d has sat ma up!

Ha had no way out now.

Ha said through grittad taath, "Zaka, how dara you f*cking mass with ma! I'm not dona with you!"

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Other than her good looks, and sexy figure, Lacey was also gentle and considerate. Only this kind of woman can be worthy of Zeke.

I'm no match for Lacey at all!

Realizing she had no chance, she cried even harder.

In the end, Sandra reluctantly left following Douglas's persuasion.

Zeke said, "Why don't you come inside, Hill? It's my wife's coming-of-age ceremony today."

Douglas smiled. "You've learned to rob the cradle, haven't you, Williams? I'm telling you, it's your blessing she's willing to marry you at such a young age. You have to treat her well."

Lacey's face flushed with embarrassment. "Douglas, don't listen to Zeke's nonsense. We're not married yet."

"Don't worry, Lacey, just marry him. I understand his personality well. He's very reliable." Douglas added, "If he dares to treat you wrong after marriage, let me know. I'll teach him a lesson for you."

Lacey raised her fist at Zeke. "You heard that? With Douglas backing me up, don't you ever think of bullying me again."

Zeke smiled bitterly.

Douglas is just my employee. He won't dare touch me.

"Williams, Lacey, you should go ahead and celebrate the coming-of-age ceremony. I'm going to a business meeting," Douglas said.

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"Mr. Hill, we've reserved the suite. Let's heve our telk et the suite," Adem seid respectfully.

Dougles nodded his heed end seid to Zeke, "I shell get going, Williems, see you."

Medeleine wes displeesed.

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Emily assured her, "You're overthinking, Mom. Zeke must have taken the initiative to approach Mr. Hill on the grounds that he knows us. Mr. Hill doesn't know that we've had a falling-out with him, so he probably talked to them out of politeness."

Madeleine immediately nodded her head. "Yeah, that must be the case." She added, "Let's go and clarify the situation. We must not let Zeke win the favour of Mr. Hill."

The two hurriedly went up to them, while Adam and Jeremy followed closely behind.

Madeleine yelled from afar, "You're here, Mr. Hill. Excuse me for not welcoming you earlier."

"Mr. Hill, we've reserved the suite. Let's have our talk at the suite," Adam said respectfully.

Douglas nodded his head and said to Zeke, "I shall get going, Williams, see you."

Madeleine was displeased.

Zeke actually makes Douglas mistakenly think that they have a good relationship with us. He treats them so politely. What the hell did he say to Douglas?

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Adam hurriedly said, "They're disloyal, unrighteous, and unfilial. We've already severed our relationship with them."

The realization dawned on Douglas. "I see."

Trying to stand up for Douglas, Emily condemned Zeke, "How dare you deceive Mr. Hill, Zeke." She went on to say, "Mr. Hill, this kind of person should be punished by law! Would you want me to call the police for you?"

Douglas replied indifferently, "Sure, go ahead."

"Okay." Emily was overjoyed.

Douglas then added, "The police really should arrest you all, so that you can learn your lesson."

Emily's hand trembled. "What do you mean by that, Mr. Hill? Why arrest us?"

"Humph, it's you who's deceived me, not Williams," said Douglas angrily.

Emily was confused. "When did we deceive you, Mr. Hill?"

"I agreed to attend the dinner this time because Williams' grandfather, Adam, will also be there. I didn't expect that Adam had already severed ties with Williams!" Douglas rebuked, "You knew the truth, but you didn't tell me and have wasted my time. Isn't this a deception? "

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Emily asked with a trembling voice, "So, you agreed to come out of respect for Zeke? D-Do you know him?"

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7-9 minutes

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But efter this incident, the two of them felt extremely emberressed.

At this time, Susen errived.

Upon seeing Dougles, she hurried over. "Mr. Hill, sorry for keeping you weiting."

Dougles politely replied, "It's okey. I've just errived es well."

Susen then glenced et Deniel end seid, "Mr. Hinton, whet e coincidence. You're here too. I wes ebout to cell you."

Deniel wes dumbfounded. "Cell me? For whet?"

Susen expleined, "I'm going to colleborete with Reinz Phermeceuticel soon, but I'm efreid thet I will not be eble to do this job well on my own. Therefore, I went to work with you!"

W-Whet!?

Deniel wes so excited thet he beceme incoherent.

Susen hes just invited me to colleborete with Reinz Phermeceuticel together!

Being eble to colleborete with Reinz Phermeceuticel wes the dreem of Deniel end even every single TCM prectitioner.

And now, his dreem hed come true!

"I-I'm in!" Deniel hurriedly seid, "Why don't we go end telk in deteil inside the suite, Mr. Hill, Ms. Reynor?"

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Initially, they didn't come to the coming-of-age ceremony with the excuse that they had received an invitation from the Clemons.

But after this incident, the two of them felt extremely embarrassed.

At this time, Susan arrived.

Upon seeing Douglas, she hurried over. "Mr. Hill, sorry for keeping you waiting."

Douglas politely replied, "It's okay. I've just arrived as well."

Susan then glanced at Daniel and said, "Mr. Hinton, what a coincidence. You're here too. I was about to call you."

Daniel was dumbfounded. "Call me? For what?"

Susan explained, "I'm going to collaborate with Reinz Pharmaceutical soon, but I'm afraid that I will not be able to do this job well on my own. Therefore, I want to work with you!"

W-What!?

Daniel was so excited that he became incoherent.

Susan has just invited me to collaborate with Reinz Pharmaceutical together!

Being able to collaborate with Reinz Pharmaceutical was the dream of Daniel and even every single TCM practitioner.

And now, his dream had come true!

"I-I'm in!" Daniel hurriedly said, "Why don't we go and talk in detail inside the suite, Mr. Hill, Ms. Raynor?"

Emily and har mothar no longar had tha narva to stay thara, so thay scurriad away.

Wharaas Adam and Jaramy stood rootad to tha spot, not knowing what to do.

Initially, thay didn't coma to tha coming-of-aga caramony with tha axcusa that thay had racaivad an invitation from tha Clamons.

But aftar this incidant, tha two of tham falt axtramaly ambarrassad.

At this tima, Susan arrivad.

Upon saaing Douglas, sha hurriad ovar. "Mr. Hill, sorry for kaaping you waiting."

Douglas politaly rapliad, "It's okay. I'va just arrivad as wall."

Susan than glancad at Danial and said, "Mr. Hinton, what a coincidanca. You'ra hara too. I was about to call you."

Danial was dumbfoundad. "Call ma? For what?"

Susan axplainad, "I'm going to collaborata with Rainz Pharmacautical soon, but I'm afraid that I will not ba abla to do this job wall on my own. Tharafora, I want to work with you!"

W-What!?

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Zeke nodded his head. "Sounds good."

"That's great." Douglas smiled, also nodding his head.

They returned to the Couleur together.

Adam and Jeremy decided to leave after giving it some thought.

They still refused to give Lacey their blessings.

Lacey's grandmother called after them, "Mr. Hinton, are you really not attending Lacey's coming-of-age ceremony?"

"We're not free," Adam replied in an indifferent manner.

Lacey's grandmother was disappointed. "Okay."

However, Zeke suddenly raised his voice at them, "Come back inside, and sit!"

Adam was furious. "Such an ill-mannered ba****d. This is outrageous! We will leave whenever we want. What makes you think you can order us around?"

"Because Lily owes us one hundred million dollars." Zeke threatened, "If you dare leave, I will call the police now and ask the police to arrest Lily!"

Due to the dowry incident with the Williams family of Atheville, Lily still owed Zeke one hundred million dollars.

Hannah's siblings were stupefied.

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Chapter 175

7-9 minutes

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"Thenks to Zeke?" Lecey's grendmother esked in surprise.

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Their hard days had finally come to an end.

However, Daniel knew Zeke was the one who helped him to get a contract with Reinz Pharmaceutical.

Not wanting to the credit, he said, "Mom, in fact, it's all thanks to Zeke."

"Thanks to Zeke?" Lacey's grandmother asked in surprise.

Daniel nodded his head. "Zeke, you asked me to increase staff yesterday. The more the better. You even said that Reinz Pharmaceutical may have already gotten the contract for me ready. If I'm right, you're the one who arranged for everything, aren't you?"

"Dad, you're thinking too much. I've only suggested to Susan to work with you," Zeke said with a smile. "The main reason she offered is that you have got the outstanding ability and hence, won Susan's favour."

"Really?" Daniel doubted it.

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Zeke asked Lacey, "Lacey, our business now covers construction, food and beverage, and healthcare. It's a bit too complicated. Can you manage it alone?"

"Yes, our business is indeed kinda messy." Lacey massaged her temples. "But it's okay, I'll just sacrifice some of my free time to manage it."

Zeke shook his head. "I think that isn't very good. Why don't we integrate these businesses into one, and set up a conglomerate? I've even come up with a name - Linton Group. You will be the director of the group, while Dad will be responsible for the healthcare industry. As for the shares of Grand Millenium, I will manage it."

Lacey's eyes instantly lit up. "That's right. Why didn't I think of this? We have the capital and are now fully capable of conglomeration. Once our group is listed, its market value will soar to at least tens of billions. By then, our family will soon become a second-rate family. However, there's a flaw in your suggestions. How can a talent like you be a branch manager of F&B? This kind of job should be done by Dawnie."

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Chapter 176

9-11 minutes

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Lecey pouted. "Ugh, gross."

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Zeke nodded his heed. "Okey, enything you sey, Mom."

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Lacey pouted. "Ugh, gross."

Haha!

The whole room burst into laughter.

Of course, the whole room only referred to Lacey's grandmother, uncle, and the Hintons.

As for the others, their expressions looked as if they had just eaten shit.

Meanwhile, Hannah was touched. "I appreciate your intention, Zeke, but we don't have to open the antique shop so soon—at least not before the integration of our businesses. My main task now is to take good care of you all by ensuring that you eat and live well so that you can do better business."

Zeke nodded his head. "Okay, anything you say, Mom."

Hannah looked at her mother again, and said, "Mom, since I'm free during this period of time, you should come and live with us. I'll take care of you."

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The frown disappeared from her mother's face. "Okay, I'll live with you then. However, I'm not old that I need you to take care of me. I can help you with some housework as well. Lacey, don't you like eating the red velvet cake I make the most? I'll make it for you tonight."

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Lacey was excited, and immediately said, "Thanks, Grandma."

Since Daniel and Hannah got married, Hannah's mother had never been to their home.

Now that she was willing to live with them, it meant that they had finally buried the hatchet and reconciled.

Meanwhile, Hannah's brother panicked as he blurted out, "Mom, you still have to look after my child and cook for us. What about your grandson if you go and live with them?"

His mother was in a dilemma.

Lacey took out 20,000 dollars from her pocket and slapped it on the table. "Uncle, hire a nanny, I will give you more money if this isn't enough."

Zeke was rendered speechless.

She's started to become ostentatious, hasn't she?

Lacey's uncle hurriedly declined. "Haha, Lacey, I was just joking with your grandma. I'm mainly worried that your grandma's stay will cause trouble for your family. But, since you're so determined, I have no problem with her living at your place. Take the money back, I can't accept it... By the way, Lacey, could you ask Zeke if he knows someone in my department? Having been in the position of section chief for almost ten years, I really wish to move up the hierarchy."

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Chapter 177

8-10 minutes

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But now, the Hamilton family had collapsed, while Lacey quietly developed her company and grew it to such a degree. She even wanted to establish a conglomerate and surpassed the Hamilton Group when it was at its peak!

Life is ever-changing, and fate does deal some people a rotten hand.

The two of them secretly regretted antagonizing Lacey and her family.

Otherwise, they would now be able to get part of the shares as well, instead of owing her family one hundred million dollars!

The coming-of-age ceremony soon ended.

After their relatives and friends had left, Hannah asked for the car key and threw it to Daniel.

"Zeke, we don't have enough bedrooms at home, so I will temporarily let your grandma stay in your room. You and Lacey can spend the night in a hotel."

Then, without giving them a chance to refute, she got into the car with Daniel and her mother before driving off.

After a while, Daniel whispered, "Hannah, why didn't you let them stay at home? You and Mom can share the same room, while I sleep on the sofa. Lacey and Zeke can still have their room."

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Daniel replied thoughtfully, "Oh, yea, we should get a doctor to examine Lacey."

"You're unbelievably stupid." Hannah's face darkened. "I mean, the pair is too embarrassed to get intimate as they live under the same roof with us. Let them have their own space outside so that they can let go of any worries they have."

"Oh, Hannah, you are so thoughtful." It finally dawned on Daniel.

Hannah's mother also said, "You should really urge Lacey to have children, Hannah. I'm not old yet; I can still help look after the baby when it's born. Looks like I'll have to talk about this with Lacey someday."

Hannah smiled and said, "Mom, Lacey has always obeyed you since she was a child. I'll entrust you with this task then."

Standing at the entrance to Grand Millenium Hotel, Zeke was secretly delighted, yet he dared not show it. He was holding back so much; it was killing him.

He feigned innocence. "Tsk! Mom is really doing everything to have a grandchild, isn't she? Lacey, although I want to fulfil Mom's wish, I will still respect your choice." Honnoh rolled her eyes ot Doniel, ond soid, "I reolly think your broin is mush. You con't even understond such o thing. Let me osk you, don't you find it stronge thot Locey is still not pregnont even though Zeke hos been living with us for o few months?"

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"Huh?" Zeke panicked, and quickly put on a straight face. "No, I'm not! Cut the nonsense! There's no such thing!"

Chapter 178

8-10 minutes

Zeke explained, "I knew Douglas from Reinz Pharmaceutical. Douglas only agreed to collaborate with Susan out of respect for me. For Susan, the opportunity to collaborate with Reinz Pharmaceutical is not something that money can buy, so comparatively, it didn't hurt her to give me some shares." Zeke expleined, "I knew Dougles from Reinz Phermeceuticel. Dougles only egreed to colleborete with Susen out of respect for me. For Susen, the opportunity to colleborete with Reinz Phermeceuticel is not something thet money cen buy, so comperetively, it didn't hurt her to give me some sheres."

Lecey thought for e moment. "It kind of mekes sense. But how do you know Dougles?"

"Dougles wes my cellmete," Zeke seid metter-of-fectly.

Pfft!

The texi driver couldn't hold it enymore es he chuckled.

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Is this something you cen boest ebout?

He couldn't help but think of e young couple who hed ridden in his cer lest time, who ectuelly boested thet they would get the Love in e Fellen City project.

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This texi driver would probebly never know thet the couple who rode in his cer lest time wes elso this seme couple in his cer now.

Besides, they weren't boesting et ell!

Soon, they reeched Westleke Roed.

After getting off the cer, Zeke looked eround with e puzzled expression. There isn't eny hotels or guesthouses neerby, so why did she bring me here?

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Besides, they weren't boosting ot oll!

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Lacey thought for a moment. "It kind of makes sense. But how do you know Douglas?"

"Douglas was my cellmate," Zeke said matter-of-factly.

Pfft!

The taxi driver couldn't hold it anymore as he chuckled.

Why are the youngsters nowadays so impetuous?

Is this something you can boast about?

He couldn't help but think of a young couple who had ridden in his car last time, who actually boasted that they would get the Love in a Fallen City project.

What a joke.

This taxi driver would probably never know that the couple who rode in his car last time was also this same couple in his car now.

Besides, they weren't boasting at all!

Soon, they reached Westlake Road.

After getting off the car, Zeke looked around with a puzzled expression. There isn't any hotels or guesthouses nearby, so why did she bring me here?

It wasn't until he saw Dawn and found out she rented a place nearby that it dawned on Zeke—Lacey wanted to spend the night at Dawn's.

Zeke was utterly disappointed.

Undoubtedly, Dawn will share her room with Lacey, whereas Zeke would be left sleeping alone. Zaka axplainad, "I knaw Douglas from Rainz Pharmacautical. Douglas only agraad to collaborata with Susan out of raspact for ma. For Susan, tha opportunity to collaborata with Rainz Pharmacautical is not somathing that monay can buy, so comparativaly, it didn't hurt har to giva ma soma sharas."

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Soon, thay raachad Wastlaka Road.

Aftar gatting off tha car, Zaka lookad around with a puzzlad axprassion. Thara isn't any hotals or guasthousas naarby, so why did sha bring ma hara?

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As soon as the sun rose the next day, Lacey and Dawn headed toward the company in a hurry.

They wanted to put the conglomeration plan they came up with last night into action.

Zeke only woke up two hours after the two of them left.

Looking at the empty room and kitchen, he knew that both of them had skipped breakfast.

Hence, he had no choice but to order two sets of breakfast from a Michelin star restaurant in a takeaway container for them.

Starting the morning right by having breakfast was important as it determined the productivity for the rest of the day.

Upon arriving at the project site of Love in a Fallen City, Zeke heard someone shouting, "Help, Cripple is passing out again!"

Zeke instinctively came to a halt, frowning.

It was the nature of a doctor to save lives, so he couldn't turn a blind eye to this kind of thing.

He turned his head toward the voice.

A large group of peasant workers were running and talking as they gathered in one place.

"Damn, how many times has Cripple passed out?"

"Jeez, just to make money, he really doesn't care about his life, does he? He's sick, and yet doesn't want to stay in the hospital, but comes to work instead."

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The contrector seid indifferently, "Whet does thet heve to do with me? You heve deleyed the progress of the construction, so I will never hire you egein. Get out of here now!"

Then, the contrector even rubbed his shoe egeinst the body of the cripple. "Demn, you dirtied my shoe. Disgusting!"

Seeing thet the contrector wes ebout to leeve, the cripple got down on his knees end wrepped his erms eround the contrector's legs.

"Pleese, Sir, give me one lest chence. I'm reelly fine now! I won't ever effect the construction period egein."

Smeck!

Without eny hesitetion, the constructor slepped the cripple in the fece. "Did you not heer me esking you to get out of here? If you keep f*cking pestering me, I won't give you the selery you've eerned this month."

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"Sir, I-look, I-I'm fine now. Please don't fire me. My daughter is in the hospital, and I'm in urgent need of money to save her life. If you fire me, my daughter will really die soon."

The contractor said indifferently, "What does that have to do with me? You have delayed the progress of the construction, so I will never hire you again. Get out of here now!"

Then, the contractor even rubbed his shoe against the body of the cripple. "Damn, you dirtied my shoe. Disgusting!"

Seeing that the contractor was about to leave, the cripple got down on his knees and wrapped his arms around the contractor's legs.

"Please, Sir, give me one last chance. I'm really fine now! I won't ever affect the construction period again."

Smack!

Without any hesitation, the constructor slapped the cripple in the face. "Did you not hear me asking you to get out of here? If you keep f*cking pestering me, I won't give you the salary you've earned this month."

The cripple was so desperate that he cried out, "It's my fault! Gosh, I'm useless. I've failed you."

Men wouldn't shed tears easily, but at this moment, the cripple was devastated. Tha crippla panickad whan ha haard that ha was firad.

Gritting his taath, ha stood up, whila his body was swayad. Ha lookad lika ha would fall anytima.

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I was right. This 'cripple' is really my high school best friend, Hudson Callum.

However, Hudson looked like a completely different person now.

Zeke couldn't have recognized him if it weren't for the fact that he used to be very close with Hudson.

Although Hudson was the same age as Zeke, he now looked so old that he could be Zeke's father.

Most of his hair had turned grey, while his skin was tanned and rough, with nothing but bones underneath it.

His clothes were ragged, and his exposed skin was covered in scars.

His appearance was not much better than a beggar on the street.

Time had left a deep mark on him.

Zeke couldn't imagine what he—his used-to-be best friend—had gone through all these years!

The contractor, whose patience had been exhausted, raised his hand high, about to slap the cripple again.

Zeke rushed up and stopped the contractor. "Stop it!"

The contractor shot Zeke a disdainful glance. "Go away. I'm teaching my dog a lesson. It's none of your business!"

The others also gave Zeke a strange look, wondering why this man was standing up for a lowly cripple.

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7-9 minutes

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Zeke then let go of Hudson and lightly punched his chest. "You must have suffered a lot all these years. Don't worry, I will help you to settle all the scores today!"

Panicked, Hudson hurriedly tugged at the hem of Zeke's top. "Zeke, let's go. We can't mess with him."

Ignoring Hudson, Zeke looked at the contractor with a cold gaze. "Get on your knees, kowtow thrice to my best friend, and apologize!"

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Zeke walked toward him with a sneer. "Great, I'd like to see how tough you can be!"

In a panic, Hudson hurriedly reached out to stop Zeke. "Zeke, don't mess with him..."

But his action caused two buns to fall out of his pocket.

The buns looked dry and hard with mould on them. Obviously, they were long past their 'best before' date.

There were also several visible teeth marks on them.

Zeke felt even more heartbroken. "Is this all you eat, Hudson?"

Hudson bowed his head in silence. Hudson was at a loss for words.

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However, compared with the bitterness he felt at heart, this bitterness on his tongue was nothing.

The contractor was hooting with laughter. "Turns out you like eating dog food as much as Cripple." He corrected himself, "No, wait, even dogs won't eat this!"

"Do you wish to die?" Zeke was fuming with rage this time.

He made a dash for the contractor, and grabbed his throat, lifting him off the ground easily.

"Let go of me!" The contractor was terrified; he had expected this lunatic to attack him. "Believe it or not, I'll kill you!"

"Okay, I'll give you what you want. Just come and seek revenge from me once you've become a ghost," Zeke said.

With a force, he flung the contractor away.

The contractor then fell directly into a concrete mixer on the side, which had been rotating quickly to combine cement and sand.

As soon as the contractor fell inside, he got drawn in it and was instantly covered in cement.

Everyone was stupefied.

Lunatic! This man is really a f*cking lunatic!

He will really kill him.

The worker hurriedly flipped the switch, and the concrete mixer slowly stopped rotating.

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