

Chapter 417 Saving His Virginity For Her

Josie was speechless. She was fully aware that she and her husband were to be blamed. However, she couldn't admit it in front of Wendy.

"Okay, I think we're going a little off the rails here," Josie said as she straightened her back.

Wendy snorted.

Josie was mildly irked by her reaction but kept on going. She coughed and cleared her throat. "At that time, Ryan was taken to Spring County. Fortunately, there were only two kidnappers. They made the mistake of thinking that Ryan couldn't run away because he was still a child and was seriously injured. They let their guard down. Ryan then used that opportunity to escape. Luckily, there was a little girl who helped him. That was how he escaped."

"A little girl?" Wendy repeated.

"Yes." The light in Josie's eyes dimmed. "He said that when he finally got home. He was seriously wounded. He knew that Nellie was the one behind all of this. It was a traumatic experience for him, and he fell ill afterwards."

Wendy felt her heart tighten.

"He had a high fever and was put on an IV drip for two days. Thankfully, he slowly recovered. But when he woke up, he lost his memories!"

Wendy's mouth turned agape. "He lost his memories?!"

"Maybe it was because he had lost too much blood at that time and was delirious..." Josie's voice started to crack, which made her stop for a moment. Then she resumed, "He could recall everything including the girl when he woke up. But he couldn't remember the exact location where he was abducted and the face of the girl that saved him."

Wendy exhaled a sigh of relief. She had initially imagined that Ryan had

lost his memories in a very dramatic fashion similar to a TV show.

"Ryan was usually aloof. But after he recovered, he became even much colder. I was worried about him, so I resigned from the company in order to take care of the two brothers. At that time, Ryan suffered from insomnia. He would often go into a trance whenever he was in school. He would spend hours just staring out of the window. Both his father and I were worried about him, so we pulled him out of school for a while so that he could rest at home. We hired the best psychiatrists to help him with his condition. Slowly, he got better."

Wendy's heart clenched even further. 'So that's how he became an insomniac.'

"Anson and I tried our best not to stimulate him. It was only Luke that managed to get under his skin. Luke followed him with a smiling face all the time no matter how cold his face looked and how angry he appeared. As time passed by, we were surprised that Ryan no longer pushed him away even though it was still clear that he didn't like Luke very much."

Wendy heaved another sigh of relief. 'It all makes sense to me now. So that's why ever since I've met Ryan, he and Luke are always together.' Learning this, she made a mental note to be kinder to Luke the next time she saw him.

"Ryan's condition gradually improved. Although he was still cold, he got better at socializing with others. He even started having friends around him! Seeing him interacting with other children made me and Anson feel relieved. But one day, Anson fell ill. Since Ryan was already old enough then, we decided to hand over the company to him. He's a genius! Although he didn't have any business experience at first, he was able to learn everything he needed to know very quickly. Because of his expertise and leadership, he was able to take the Oliver Group to a new level!" Josie's face was teeming with pride.

Wendy tried her best not to roll her eyes. 'I already know about this part! You don't have to emphasize it. Can't you just go to the point?'

Josie also realized that she had strayed away from her original point. She cleared her throat and gathered her composure. 'It's not my fault! After all, I have a great son! Any mother would've been proud and never shut up about it!'

More importantly, she was telling this story to Wendy. She wanted to make sure that Wendy could see how large that gap was between her and Ryan.

"For many years," Josie continued, "he has never mentioned that girl to us. We thought he had already forgotten about her. I didn't expect that once he took over the company, the first he would do was to look for her. At first, I didn't take it seriously because I thought he was just doing it to repay the girl for saving his life. But when we talked about it, he said he would marry her!"

Wendy almost gasped, but managed to stifle it. 'Marry that girl?!' Wendy clenched her fists. Her heart started to sink. She never saw that coming. A burst of emotions began to swell inside her, but her mind found it hard to articulate these feelings. Something was blocking her throat that made it hard for her to breathe.

All of a sudden, Wendy remembered something. No wonder that Ryan told her that he liked Spring County. He had asked Kane to give Odette enough support just because Odette was from Spring County. 'If the girl who saved him appears, what will he do?' As the thought festered in her head, Wendy grew frustrated.

Upon seeing Wendy's gloomy look, Josie smiled. "As far as I know, Ryan has been looking for her for many years. He's never had sex with anyone; he's keeping his virginity for her."

Wendy knew that Josie's intention was to alienate her from Ryan. She took slow, deep breaths and tried to calm herself down. Although she was fuming deep inside, she tried her best not to give Josie the satisfaction of seeing her explode. With a forced smile, she said, "Really? I'm so sorry. But Ryan has now fallen in love with me."

She put heavy emphasis on the word "now" purposefully. This was to



remind Josie that Ryan had already forgotten about that girl and had started a new relationship with her.

But as soon as she finished talking, Josie began to laugh.

Wendy narrowed her eyes. "What are you laughing at?"

"You are pathetic!"

Wendy growled. "You..."

"You're just a substitute!"

Wendy took a deep breath. 'Don't be angry. Josie's doing this on purpose,' she reminded herself inwardly.

"I can already tell that although Ryan has chosen to be with you, he has never given up looking for that girl!"

The rage brewing inside Wendy was starting to reach the tipping point. That last remark pushed her over the edge. She could no longer tolerate her for another second. "Are you done talking?" she snapped.

"No," Josie's lips curved into a sinister smile. "I just want to tell you that Ryan is a very stubborn man. Once he sets his mind on something, there's nothing you can do to stop him. He said that he will marry that girl. He will not go back on his word. Wendy, the only reason why Ryan chose to be with you is because he hasn't found that girl yet. He'll abandon you as soon as he finds her!"

Wendy looked dazed. She was at a loss for words.

"When he finds that girl, what do you think is going to happen?" The smile on Josie's face grew wider. She was a master at fully exploiting one's weakness. Her words were like a knife, slicing through Wendy's fragile heart with surgical precision.

Wendy felt like she was drowning.

"Oh! By the way, I forgot to tell you. According to Luke, Ryan has already gotten a lead on that girl. What a surprise!"

Wendy kept sinking deeper and deeper into the ocean of her own sadness.

