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Mary replied directly, hearing this, since she was not here to talk about the old days with him. "Where is Irish?"

Mary couldn't get through her phone and couldn't find her at her house, so she could only come here to ask Joseph.

"She is living with me. She is safe." Joseph calmly announced.

"Safe?" Mary sneered and retorted, "Do you think I don't know what happened that day? The administrator of the residence community had told me. Irish has become the main issue because of you. Are you satisfied now? Do you still think she is safe with you? There is only one way to ensure her safety. You have to leave her."

Instead of being irritated, Joseph said indifferently, "What is done cannot be undone. We can't change anything even if I break up with her. Then why do I have to leave her in this way?"

Mary was speechless about his words, but soon she frowned and said, "Joseph, what do you think about this situation?"

Joseph took his cup, sipped it, and said deferentially, "Isabel has to be with me, and that is what I am thinking about."

"And then?" Mary continued to ask.

"What?" Joseph was confused.

Mary was annoyed and slammed the desk, "Joseph, though Irish is my niece, I have treated her as my daughter in these years. Do you want to let her be with you but don't get married to her? Are you even a man if you have that idea?"

Joseph stared at her and replied calmly, "You have misunderstood me."

"Don't talk nonsense. Today you have to tell me that you will get married to her? If you want, then you have to hurry, but if you don't want to, then leave her as far as possible and don't come to bother her anymore." Mary said harshly.

Joseph was silent for a while.

After seeing this, Mary gnashed her teeth and stood up abruptly, "Give me the address. I have to fetch her back."

But Joseph didn't reply.

"You can't be so disgraceful. What do you mean now that you don't want to get married to her but still don't want to let her go? Do you think she is your mistress?" Mary would definitely slap him if they weren't in his company.

Joseph didn't get annoyed but looked calm and stared at Mary, who was indignant, saying in a low voice, "Don't worry. I will get married to her."

Obviously, Mary didn't expect that he would be so straightforward, so she was slightly shocked by his words and sat down again, asking suspiciously. "Are you serious?"

"Yes, I am serious." Joseph firmly declared.

After thinking for a while, Mary ceased to be angry and asked, "Well, when will you marry her?"

She was not begging him to marry Irish, but she felt sorrowful for her upon recalling those rumors. She treated Irish as her own daughter, so she couldn't bear that anyone would hurt Irish.

If Irish didn't tell firmly to her that she loved this man so deeply, Mary would definitely not allow her to be with Joseph, and it was not until now she still thought Joseph fit her. Joseph was a complicated man, and she couldn't see through his mind, but she thought Irish should be with a simple man whose background was innocent, like Adam.

But all the parents in the world loved their daughter, including Mary. And she didn't want to force her to do something she disliked.

Mary asked Rachel before her grave if she would agree that Irish would be with Joseph for the rest of her life.

But she couldn't get any response. In this way, Mary, even more, hated Henry and Shirley, as well as the Runestone Group.

It was like a vicious circle.

Joseph thought for a while but then replied seriously and sincerely, "Please give me some time and, at least, wait for the rumors to pass because it will be fair to Irish, and she doesn't have to bear others' condemnation.

Though Mary didn't want to hear this kind of explanation from Joseph, she had to admit he was right. If they held a wedding at this crucial moment, Irish would encounter a huge dilemma.

"Anyway, you can't let Irish get hurt. If she were falsely wronged, I would kill you." Mary warned him.

Joseph replied in a low voice, "Rest assured, I will protect her."

After Mary left, Joseph started his work again.

When Daisy knocked into his office with a pile of documents in one of her hands and held lunch with another hand, she saw that Joseph was staring at the computer while frowning. She said nothing but put down the lunch beside him and made a cup of coffee for him.

Joseph stopped his work and said thank you to Daisy.

Daisy cleaned the reception room and said with a weak voice, "The secretary of the Secretariat is too high-hat. How can she let people come in without an appointment?"

Joseph smiled but remained silent.

Daisy put the documents on his desk after cleaning. "These are the papers about Key Group's activities in recent days. I heard that Leo is interested in a diamond mine in Russia."

"It is not surprising since he lost the diamond mine in South Africa and found another diamond mine in Russia as an alternative." But soon, he frowned and replied, "But as far as I'm concerned, the quality of the diamond in Russia is not suitable for the jewelry of Key Group."

"I don't get much information about that diamond mine, but I knew that it belonged to a rich businessman before. Perhaps it is because he met many problems in his business, so he decided to sell it out." Daisy analyzed and then continued, "I think that Key Group has made enough preparation and has a good comprehension of the quality of the diamond, or how could Leo let out this information? After all, his minor movements can cause endless troubles for our company, so why did he not go ahead with it?"

Joseph nodded as if he was absorbed in his thought.

"Do you think it is necessary to remind Mr. Henry?" Daisy suggested, "Leo still carefully making decisions when you were in charge of the Runestone Group, but now it seems that he is going to combat with our Runestone Group against Mr. Henry going back to the board of directors. I am afraid that he has huge ambition."

Joseph didn't express his comments but knocked at those documents and said, "Hand these to Mr. Henry."

"Okay."

"What's more, release the news that our Runestone Group is willing to provide Key Group with a brilliant technical team if Key Group is going to mine the diamond mine in Russia."

Daisy was shocked and blinked her eyes with doubt, "What?"

She couldn't figure out why Runestone Groups would like to help Key Group.

"Follow my words."

"Well, how about Mr. Henry..."