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"My dear. We're already old. We're not afraid of gossip. We just want you to live a good life," Mrs. Sweeney said with red eyes.

Having a baby out of wedlock meant her daughter would be walking on a difficult path in the future.

Lina's nose felt sore. Her parents had been worried sick about her, and she could not do anything to make it up to them.

Looking at his daughter, Mr. Sweeney said sternly, "If you can keep the baby, are you sure you won't regret giving birth to them? Raising a baby is unlike raising a pet. Life is going to be tough."

Lina took a deep breath. "I've made up my mind. I won't regret it. As long as the baby lets me be their mommy, I won't give up on them."

"Okay. Then give birth to the baby. We can afford to raise a child, can't we?" said Mr. Sweeney. Since his daughter had made such a decision, as her father, he would take good care of her and the unborn child!

Lina's tears could not help pouring out again.

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"My dear, don't cry! Crying hurts the body, and it'll be harder to prevent a miscarriage. Don't cry. Don't cry!" Mrs. Sweeney quickly wiped away her daughter's tears. "Okay, I won't cry. I won't cry!" Lina struggled to hold back her tears.

All she wanted now was to keep her baby!

Grace rushed to the hospital after learning the news of Lina's hospitalization.

She was dumbfounded when she found out that things between her best friend and Hadwin Stephenson were completely over. After she bid goodbye to Lina the day before yesterday, she thought Lina and Hadwin Stephenson were getting back together, but it turned out to be the opposite.

"What happened?" asked Grace.

"We're not meant for each other. Of course, we shouldn't be together." Lina smiled bitterly and said, "But I'll give birth to this baby. Grace, I seem to understand why Kyla chose to give birth to Nelson now. Maybe I'll bring up the child alone, just like Kyla."

Grace said, "How are you alone? You have your parents and me. Don't forget, your child is going to call me 'Godmother'!"

Remember what you said to me? If you ever have children, your children will be my children too!"

Lina froze. When the long-forgotten words came out of her best friend's mouth again, they brought back memories of that year.

Her eyes reddened and she said, "Yes, you're my baby's mommy too."

"Alright, you don't have to worry about anything. I have your back! Lina, I have your back," Grace said in a firm voice. She would protect Lina and prevent her from getting hurt again!

When Grace was discharged from the hospital, Jason came to pick her up.

Seeing her frustration, he asked, "What's the matter?"

"Lina said she and Hadwin Stephenson are completely over. She intends to give birth to the baby and raise them alone," Grace said with a sad look on her face.

Jason raised his eyebrows as if a little shocked. "Did Hadwin Stephenson agree to this?"

Grace said, "Yeah. Hadwin Stephenson promised Lina that they would not have anything to do with each other anymore. The day before yesterday, Lina seemed determined to get

back together with Hadwin Stephenson. How did it turn out

like this?"

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"Didn't you ask?"

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"Lina didn't want to talk about it, so I didn't pursue it." Grace pondered for a moment and said, "Jay, can you find Hadwin Stephenson? I want to see Hadwin Stephenson and ask him what happened."

"You care so much about Lina," he muttered.

"She's my best friend." Without Lina, she would not be here right now.

"What about me? Do you care more about her or me?" asked Jason as he suddenly leaned over and put his face right in front of Grace.

Those bright peach blossom eyes stared at her intensely. They were amorous and full of longing.

Even though he knew how much Lina meant to her, he still

could not help wanting her to care more about him. He wanted all her attention. If he could not get all of it, then... he at least hoped he could get the most!

He was greedy, but only for her.

She said, "You can't be jealous of this too, right? You're my husband while Lina is my friend. There's no comparison!"

“Yes, I’m even jealous of this. It’s silly, isn’t it?” His lashes fluttered slightly as he slowly looked down. His long fingers. helped her fasten her seat belt.

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What he said made her heart ache a little. Just as he was about to withdraw his hand, her hand suddenly caught his.

After a few days of recovery, she was able to grasp things now, but not too hard.

Now, she was holding his hand as hard as she could.

“What’s the matter?” He looked up at her with some confusion.

“You’re not silly. Why would my Jay be silly? It’s just because you love me so much.” She said as she looked at him sternly, “Jay, Lina is the most important friend in my life. If she’s in trouble, I’ll try everything possible to help her, but you... are the man I’ll share my life with. I won’t hesitate to trade my life for yours!”

He was stunned. His dark eyes stared straight at her. He did not even notice the tears falling from his eyes.

His heart was beating wildly, and his blood seemed to boil. He

had just heard the most beautiful voice telling him how much

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she loved him.

“Jay, why are you crying? Don’t cry! I... I didn’t say all these to make you cry,” Grace said in a panic as she fumbled to get a tissue and wiped away his tears.

The next moment, he instantly held her in his arms. “Grace, just love me like this forever, okay?” He wanted her to love him. He wanted her to love him very much!

His scent enveloped her, and she leaned against his chest to feel his warmth. Then, she raised her hands, hugged him back as hard as she could, and answered, “Okay!”

Jason had no problem finding Hadwin Stephenson, but the results surprised Grace.

The airport... Hadwin Stephenson was now in Emerald City’s airport, ready to leave Emerald City!

“Hadwin Stephenson’s leaving? That’s too soon!” Grace said in disbelief. Then, she said to Jason, “I want to go to the airport. I want to see Hadwin Stephenson and ask for clarification! I have to do it no matter what!”

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“Okay, I’ll go with you,” said Jason as the car headed for Emerald City’s airport.

Once they reached the airport, Grace met Hadwin

Stephenson in the VIP lounge.

Hadwin Stephenson was in a black trench coat, and next to him was a black suitcase.

"You're leaving Emerald City?" asked Grace as she panted. After finding out he was in the VIP lounge, she and Jay ran

over.

"Can't I leave Emerald City?" Hadwin Stephenson looked at Grace indifferently and said, "I came to Emerald City for business. Now that it's done, I'm going home."

Grace quickly asked, "What about Lina? Do you know that Lina is still lying in the hospital bed?"

"So what?" he interrupted coldly. "What does it matter to me what's going on with her?"

"You..." Grace immediately stepped forward and raised her hand to slap Hadwin Stephenson's face.

Slap!

A loud slap rang out in the VIP lounge. Fortunately, it was a small separate room and no one else was there.

Hadwin Stephenson looked coldly at Grace, exuding a dangerous aura.

Jason quickly pulled Grace aside, afraid that Hadwin Stephenson would harm her.

"Hadwin Stephenson, I'll fight with you if you want!" said Jason.

Hadwin Stephenson sneered, raised his hand to touch the cheek that was slapped. "Jason, what's the matter? Your wife slapped me in the face. Not only won't you apologize, but you're also going to bully me like this? Do you really think I'm afraid to lay a hand on you just because Emerald City is your territory?"

"I told you, I'll fight you if you want!" said Jason.

The two men confronted each other, and the atmosphere seemed like it would explode at any time.

Grace said, "Hadwin Stephenson, I did slap you in the face, but I think one slap isn't enough! Lina was miserable enough

when you broke up with her. Five years later, you messed

with her again. Lina is lying in the hospital, but you're here. planning to leave? What on earth does Lina mean to you?"

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Hadwin Stephenson softly spat out the words, "What's the matter? Are you trying to get justice for Lina? Listen to me, Lina is the one who doesn't want me. She's the one who's trying to distance herself from me. She doesn't trust me at all! I'm just leaving her life as she requested!"

"What happened between you two? Why did she suddenly change her attitude when she was planning to get back together with you? Did you two argue?" asked Grace.

Hadwin Stephenson froze a little. 'Lina was planning to get back together with me?' However, he soon laughed at himself. Lina had spoken to him so resolutely. There was no use dwelling on the past.

Hadwin Stephenson said coldly, "Grace, I don't have to tell you that. What happened between Lina and me is none of your business! I can forget about the slap today, but that doesn't mean you can do it again. If you do it again, I won't let you off easily even though you're the mistress of the Reed family!"

With that said, Hadwin Stephenson dragged his suitcase and left the VIP lounge.

Grace bit her lip slightly and turned to look at Jason. "Was I too

impulsive just now? I just wanted to find out what happened,

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Hadwin Stephenson's indifference toward Lina made her boil with anger. She lost control of her temper and slapped him!

Jason said, "You just care too much about Lina. Besides, judging from Hadwin Stephenson's behavior, nothing will change even if you slap him."

When Hadwin Stephenson heard Lina's name, there was immense sadness in his eyes!

In Jason's opinion, it was not that Hadwin Stephenson did not love Lina and dumped her. It was more like Lina had hurt him so badly that he was greatly disappointed.

"But judging from what Hadwin Stephenson just said, it seems that Lina was the one who caused the problem between them.

Lina wants both of them to have nothing to do with each other. Hadwin Stephenson is only doing what she wants. You should ask Lina if you want to find out the answer," said Jason.

Grace sighed. "Then I'll wait for Lina to calm down first before

asking her..." As they were on the topic, she said with difficulty,

“There’s no point in asking again. Judging from Hadwin Stephenson’s attitude earlier, he doesn’t care about Lina at

all. Lina might not be happy even if they got back together.”

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“Perhaps... it’s not that he doesn’t care but he cares so much. that he was badly hurt,” Jason said thoughtfully.

“What do you mean?”

“Lina probably hurt Hadwin Stephenson more,” said Jason.

“How is that possible? How could Lina hurt Hadwin Stephenson? Lina is now lying on a hospital bed. We have no idea if she can even keep the baby in her belly!” said Grace.

Jason did not argue with Grace on this issue and just said, “I’ll contact Municipal Women’s Hospital and ask them to save the baby in Lina’s belly no matter what.”

“Yeah, okay,” said Grace as she nodded. She only hoped nothing would happen to the baby in Lina’s belly. Even though Lina had decided to separate from Hadwin Stephenson, she could feel how much Lina cared about the baby in her belly!

In the evening, Grace received a phone call from her mentor, Old Lawyer Watts. He was happy for her upon learning that she had found her missing child.

Old Lawyer Watts said on the phone that he wanted to come to Emerald City to see the three children, especially Jasper. Old Lawyer Watts had watched her grow up. He adored her as if she was his own granddaughter. After Grace returned to

Emerald City, the old lawyer missed Jasper very much.

“My wife is coming with me,” said Old Lawyer Watts.

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“Mrs. Watts is coming too?” Grace was surprised. After all, It was not easy for Mrs. Watts to walk long distances due to the condition of her leg. Hence, she never liked to go to other places.

“Yes, she’s been going on about seeing your three children these days and has prepared presents for them,” said Old Lawyer Watts.

“Okay, I’ll pick you up at the airport!” said Grace. After

finishing the call, a pair of arms wrapped around her waist as a soft voice rang in her ear. “Who are you going to pick up?”

“My mentor and his wife are coming to Emerald City. I’m going to pick them up,” said Grace.

“I’ll go with you,” he said.

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"No, I can go alone if you're busy with work," she said.

He insisted and said, "I'll go with you. They're your mentor and your mentor's wife. Don't you always say how grateful you are to them? They've been good to you and Jasper. In that case, I'm also grateful to them!"

Grace leaned against Jason's chest and muttered, "Yes, they were very kind to me and Jasper. If it weren't for them, my life there would have been much harder. I almost ruined my mentor's reputation not long ago. I'm quite embarrassed about it."

"Don't worry. I'll repay your mentor and his wife. I can give them anything they want," said Jason.

"My mentor won't accept it. He's a man of the highest integrity. He has no other hobby than studying law. He cares the most about his wife. Her leg has always been my mentor's sore spot." With that said, Grace seemed to recall something and said, "By the way, I'll take my mentor's wife to see Dr. Russell and see if Dr. Russell can fix her leg."

"What happened to her leg?" asked Jason.

Grace said, "I think she got into an accident and hurt her knee. From then on, she limps a little whenever she walks and can't walk long distances. It's also difficult for her to walk up and down the stairs. My mentor keeps saying that he caused the accident and feels terribly sorry for his wife. He has taken his wife to many renowned hospitals and specialists in the country over the years, but her leg isn't getting any better."

"When they're here, take her to Dr. Russell. I'll find some specialists to examine her leg as well," said Jason.

Three days later, Jason met Old Lawyer Watts and his wife when he accompanied Grace to the airport.

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Jason recognized Old Lawyer Watts at a glance. After all, he had investigated everything Grace did in L City before. Hence, he received a lot of information about Old Lawyer Watts as well, but his wife... He remembered that there was a photo of her included in the information, but he had only glanced at it at the time and had no impression of her.

Mrs. Watts did not look old. She was almost in her 60s but looked like she was just about to hit her 50s. Standing next to Old Lawyer Watts in a simple and elegant modified Tang suit, she looked much younger than her husband.

"Hello, I'm Jason. I've heard about you from Grace for a long time but haven't had the chance to meet you until now. Thank you for taking care of Grace," said Jason as he extended a polite handshake to Old Lawyer Watts.

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When he reached out his hand to Mrs. Watts, she did not reach out her hand and just kept staring blankly at him.

Jason narrowed his eyes slightly. "What's the matter? Is there something wrong?"

"Oh, n-nothing." Mrs. Watts turned pale and quickly reached out her hand to shake hands with Jason.

However, she let go as soon as she shook his hand. It was as if she was afraid of something.

For a moment, the atmosphere became a little strange.

"Mentor, Mrs. Watts, the car is parked outside. Let me take you there," said Grace as she quickly smoothed things over.

"Okay... Okay, let's get in the car first," said Old Lawyer Watts as he took his wife's hand and walked forward.

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Jason stepped out to catch up. He glanced at the hand he had just shaken with Mrs. Watts before staring thoughtfully at the figure walking in front of him.

'What is Mrs. Watts... afraid of?' Her hand was obviously trembling when he shook it!

Old Lawyer Watts and his wife had already booked a hotel. They did not want to stay in Reed Residence, hence Jason and Grace sent them there and planned to have dinner with them in a famous hotel in Emerald City.

The triplets were all present for dinner. Besides the triplets, Veronica Barlow and William also came.

Veronica Barlow was here because of Mason. Speaking of which, Mason stuck to Veronica Barlow like taffy. Except when Veronica Barlow went to school, Mason would follow her

wherever she went.

It had become more obvious-especially after Mason's identity was exposed.

Grace had consulted a psychologist and understood that the child was suffering from emotional distress. In some ways, he

had imprinted on Veronica Barlow.

It was because Veronica Barlow was the only one who protected Mason back then. The little one instinctively depended on her.

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On the other hand, William came because of Jasper Reed's insistence.

Old Lawyer Watts looked at the triplets with joy and handed out red envelopes to the children. Meanwhile, Mrs. Watts took out three braided bracelets with gold longevity locks.

"It's for the three children's safety," said Mrs. Watts.

Old Lawyer Watts said, "My wife weaved these three bracelets herself. They took her almost a month to finish."

Grace could see that the weaves were different from what she usually saw in the commercially sold bracelets. Mrs. Watts's weaving pattern appeared very complicated.

"Thank you, Mrs. Watts," said Grace as she took the three bracelets and let the three little ones wear them.

As there were only three bracelets, Mrs. Watts prepared two more red envelopes and gave them to Veronica Barlow and William respectively.

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At dinner, Jason nonchalantly asked, "Mrs. Watts, your accent is a little different from the locals of L. City. I wonder where you're from?"

Me, Watts paused what she was doing and said a little drily, m... from a small place, but I moved to L. City a long time ago."

"Really?" Jason smiled faintly. "Which small place did you come from? Maybe I've been there too."

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The glass Mrs. Watts was holding slipped out of her hand, spilling its contents onto the table.

Old Lawyer Watts and Grace hurriedly took paper towels to help wipe the table.

Old Lawyer Watts asked his wife, "What's come over you?"

"I'm just... a little nervous." Mrs. Watts gasped and said, "After all, I'm meeting the patriarch of the Reed family... upon coming to Emerald City. I've only seen him in the newspapers... before this."

Jason said, "Mrs. Watts, you're the wife of Grace's mentor, so I consider you as my mentor's wife too. You don't need to be nervous with me. Don't think of me as the patriarch of the

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"Jeson..." The words gently came out of Mrs. Watts's mouth

ter quite some time.

Jason replied with a smile.

The atmosphere warmed up again. After the meal, Jason said to Grace on the way home, "Your mentor's wife seems to be afraid of me."

Grace said, "She's probably nervous. She said it herself, it's the first time she saw someone whose name she has only read about in the newspapers. Mrs. Watts is only a housewife. My mentor feels sorry about his wife's legs, so he doesn't let her work. Naturally, she hasn't met many people. It's natural for her to be nervous when she meets you. After all, the rumors about you..."

"Rumors? What rumors?" Jason raised his eyebrows and

seemed to look at Grace with great interest.

Grace immediately felt awkward. The rumors about him were definitely nothing good. They called him ruthless and cold-blooded. In Emerald City, anyone who offended him would end up miserably.

"Hmm? What rumors? They made your mentor's wife so nervous." Jason continued asking.

"They... say you're cold-blooded and merciless, and you rule Emerald City. Anyone who upsets you will end up miserably..."

uttered Grace.

Jason took Grace's hand and said, "Then you can tell your mentor's wife not to worry. Even if she does upset me one day, I won't do anything to her-for your sake."

He said as he stroked her fingers. "Do they still hurt recently?"

"They don't hurt anymore. I'm bringing Mrs. Watts with me when I go see Dr. Russell for a follow-up check-up tomorrow. I'll ask Dr. Russell to have a look at her leg," said Grace.

"Do you want me to go with you?" said Jason.

"No thanks. I'll just go with Mrs. Watts. If you go, she might get nervous again," she quipped.

He smiled and did not continue the topic. However, his

lowered eyelids covered the contemplation in his eyes.

'Was she really just nervous? But why do I still think Mrs. Watts is afraid of me?'

However, it seemed to be a little different from ordinary fear.

After all, many people feared him, but Mrs. Watts's fear

seemed to be mixed with some hints of expectation.

Am I imagining things? Or is there really something else going

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The next day, Grace took Old Lawyer Watts and his wife to Dr. Russell. She asked Dr. Russell to examine Mrs. Watts's leg.

After checking her leg, Dr. Russell said, "Your leg isn't weak because of your knee. It's because your hamstring was cut before and it didn't heal properly. The older you get, the easier it is for complications to arise. Besides, you've broken your joints before. That's why your leg never healed.""

Old Lawyer Watts and his wife did not have much hope at first.

However, they looked at Dr. Russell differently after he said so.

Old Lawyer Watts asked enthusiastically, "Is there a way to

heal it?"

"I can try giving her an operation. It'll be much easier than what Grace had to undergo!" said Dr. Russell.

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When Grace heard this, she instantly knew that Dr. Russell had some confidence in his treatment plan. However... Mrs. Watts's hamstring was cut when she was younger? It surprised Grace.

'Was it cut by accident or did someone... cut her hamstring? If someone did it, who would do such a cruel thing to a woman?'

After carefully consulting Dr. Russell about the operation, Old Lawyer Watts and his wife decided to go back and talk it over before coming to a decision.

Grace took the two elderly back to Reed Residence and arranged for them to have lunch there.

Old Lawyer Watts looked around after entering Reed Residence. He had a good look around and could not stop tutting and praising.

On the other hand, Mrs. Watts remained silent. Although she followed him and looked around, she did not make a sound.

When they passed Jason and Grace's master bedroom, Mrs. Watts suddenly said, "May I... enter this room and have a look?"

"Sure," said Grace as she opened the door. "This is my and Jay's bedroom."

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Mrs. Watts walked into the room, looked around, and walked

to the door that was connected to the next room. She raised her hand and gently opened the door.

It instantly showed the other room.

Grace said, "The room next door is my old room. We don't use it that much anymore. We only use it to keep clothes and personal belongings."

"The... design is good," Mrs. Watts said somewhat emotionally.

After lunch, Grace accompanied her mentor and his wife

to walk around Reed Residence's main house. When they passed by the mourning hall, Mrs. Watts's expression instantly changed.

"This is..."

"It's a mourning hall. Jay's father passed away when he was very young, so Jay's grandfather built a mourning hall here for Jay's father's memorial tablet. I think it's to hope the dead can rest in peace and give the living a place to mourn. Jay comes here to pay his respects whenever he misses his father."

Mrs. Watts trembled lightly. Only Old Lawyer Watts, who was

holding her hand, could feel it.

Old Lawyer Watts squeezed his wife's hand and said, "We've had a busy day today. Let's go back to the hotel to rest."

However, Mrs. Watts kept her eyes on the mourning hall. Her lips quivered as she said, "Grace, can you show us inside? Since we've come to Reed Residence today, I think your mentor and I should also offer incense to Jason's... father."

Grace hesitated a little. "But..."

"Grace, I can see you're doing very well now, so I want to pay my respects to Jason's father too. After all, you know that your mentor and I have no children. I have treated you as my own child all these years. It's only right for us to pay our respects to your father-in-law!" said Mrs. Watts.

"Alright then," said Grace as she led them into the mourning hall. A photo of Jason's father hung on the outer wall.

He had eyes like the calm water. He looked elegant and charming. Who would have thought that he would end up freezing to death on the roadside?

When Old Lawyer Watts and Mrs. Watts entered the mourning hall, they stared blankly at the huge black and white photo.

After a long time, Old Lawyer Watts murmured, "It's a shame he died young."

A flash of pain passed through Mrs. Watts's eyes. She eventually looked down and followed Grace into the inner

hall.

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The memorial tablets of Jason's father and Old master Reed were set up in the inner hall.

Mrs. Watts's eyes turned red when she saw the two memorial tablets. She quickly said, "I... I'll offer some incense!"

With that said, she picked up the unused incense sticks in front of the memorial tablets, lit them up, and offered them.

Old Lawyer Watts glanced at his wife and followed suit.

"Mrs. Watts, are you okay?" asked Grace when she looked at Mrs. Watts's red eyes.

"It's n-nothing. I just think it's a pity that your father-in-law... died so young," murmured Mrs. Watts.

"My father-in-law loved my mother-in-law too much. He lost the will to live after losing the person he loved. Maybe death was a relief for him," Grace said with a sigh. However, her father-in-law had left his pain to the living to bear.

“How... How did he die?” muttered Mrs. Watts.

“He froze to death by the roadside. That’s when Jay came back to the Reed family holding my father-in-law’s ashes,” said Grace.

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Mrs. Watts turned pale and wobbled a little.

Old Lawyer Watts immediately grabbed his wife. “What’s the matter? Are you feeling sick?”

“Yeah, I feel a little sick. I... I want to go back to the hotel and rest,” said Mrs. Watts.

“I’ll ask the driver to take you back to the hotel,” said Grace as the three walked out of the mourning hall.

When Old Lawyer Watts and his wife got back to the hotel, Mrs. Watts could not stop her tears and began crying her eyes out.

Old Lawyer Watts sighed too. Today was the first time he saw what that man looked like!

He could have inherited the Reed family and stood at the apex of Emerald City’s power and wealth, yet he died in such

a way.

“It’s my fault. It’s all my fault!” As if unable to contain the pain,

Mrs. Watts finally shouted, “I did Kim wrong. If I hadn’t left at the time, Kim wouldn’t have died! I killed him!”

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Old Lawyer Watts did not know how to comfort his wife and only patted her on the shoulder.

“He froze to death... A man like him ended up freezing to death. Milo, I never thought he would freeze to death!” sobbed Mrs. Watts.

For years, she had been speculating about the cause of his death but she never expected it to be this!

“It was because of me. It was because of me! If I hadn’t abandoned him and Jay, he wouldn’t have made this choice. I was corrupted with greed. I was ruthless!” Mrs. Watts kept pounding her chest. The delicate makeup on her face became streaked with tears.

“If he knows how sorry you feel, he’ll forgive you,” said Old Lawyer Watts.

“No, Kim won’t forgive me. He won’t forgive me...” Mrs. Watts said with agony.

She once thought she would never return to Emerald City or set foot in the Reed family’s house again.

However, she eventually learned that Jason was the husband

of Grace, who was her husband's apprentice. The small child

who had called her 'Grandma' for more than two years was her biological granddaughter! After finding out about

everything, she could not contain the longing in her heart

anymore.

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She wanted to see her son and her two other biological grandchildren whom she had never met.

Her heart was filled with unspeakable bitterness from the moment she stepped into the Reed family's house.

She had once tried every means possible to join the Reed family but could only sneak into Reed Residence without Old master Reed's knowledge.

She used Kim's feelings as a bargaining chip to enter Reed Residence. However, she underestimated the old master's cruelty, which eventually killed Kim and hurt her!

"He'll forgive you. If he loved you that much, he'd hate for you to be so miserable," said Old Lawyer Watts as he gently hugged his wife.

She had her right hamstring cut, and she was disfigured when he first met her, but he was strangely attracted to her.

They had been married for 20 years now. On the day he married her, she told him all about her past, but he still insisted on marrying her.

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However, she never revealed who her husband and son were.

She only told him that her husband was Kim and her son was Jason when they came to Emerald City!

"Once we cure your leg, we'll go home. No matter how upset or remorseful you are, don't give yourself away in front of Jason. I want you to be safe, got it?" said Old Lawyer Watts.

Mrs. Watts looked at her husband of 20 years with tears in her eyes. "Milo, I'm sorry to make you worry so much about me. If Jason resents and hates me, I'm willing to take it. I won't involve you."

"We're married. You're making me a stranger by saying such things. They won't know if we don't tell them. Jason didn't recognize you when he met you, did he? Once you undergo the operation on your leg, we'll return to L City and never set foot in Emerald City again," said Old Lawyer Watts.

The secret would forever remain a secret!

Grace told Jason about what had happened in the mourning hall at night. "Would you be upset if I let my mentor and his

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wife offer incense to your father and Old master Reed in the mourning hall?"

Jason asked, "They're your mentor and your mentor's wife. Why would I be upset? But why did you take them there?"

"I was taking them for a walk around the main house to help with digestion but we happened to walk past the mourning hall. Mrs. Watts said she would like to go in to see Dad and offer incense to him," said Grace.

Jason frowned slightly, "Was it Mrs. Watts who offered to do so?"

"Yeah, Mrs. Watts's eyes were red when she offered the incense. She said she wasn't feeling well, so I arranged a driver to take them back to the hotel," she said.

"Your mentor's wife is so sensitive that she started tearing up when offering incense," Jason said thoughtfully.

Grace said with a sigh, "It's probably because Dad died young. Speaking of which, Mrs. Watts has had a hard life too.

Today, I learned that the reason she can't walk normally is that she had her hamstring cut before. It's not just because

of the joint injury that was caused in the accident she was involved in."

Jason instantly stiffened. "She had her hamstring... cut before."