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Chapter 3831

After Archer and Rosalind left, Veronica went back to the hospital after packing her things.

Mason was sitting on the hospital bed talking on the *phone*.

But he was speaking in a foreign language, and Veronica didn't understand what he was saying at all.

After all, the only foreign language she knew was English.

After Mason finished his call, Veronica asked, "Who were you talking to just now?"

"I was talking to the person in charge at the school," he said.

"School? Stanford University?"

"No, it's the school I was originally attending. I had planned. to return there in two months, but since I'm not planning to go back now, there are some things I need to take care of," Mason said.

Veronica's face lit up. "So you'll complete your studies domestically?"

"Yes," Mason replied.

"That's great!" she exclaimed, but then she seemed to

remember something. "Will you still go abroad for further studies in the future?"

"Even if I do, I'll go with you! If you don't want to go abroad, then we'll just stay here together," he said.

Veronica felt a wave of sweetness in her heart. "We'll be together in the future and won't be separated, right?"

"Otherwise?" he looked at her. "Did you forget what you promised me?"

His voice, once cold, now seemed a bit dangerous.

"I didn't

forget, of course not!" Veronica quickly said, leaning in to kiss Mason's cheek. "I love you so much, how could I bear to be separated from you? I just wanted to confirm it because I was afraid you might forget."

It seemed that since they had opened up to each other after experiencing life and death together, she had become bolder.

Mason's cheek turned red, and he stared at Veronica. "You-

" but his tone was no longer dangerous. Instead, he seemed a bit confused and cute.

This kind of Mason made Veronica unable to resist teasing him. After all, she hadn't seen him look so cute in a long time.

"Do you like it when I kiss you?" she asked.

He pursed his lips and gave her a white look. "Why are you asking this?"

"If you like it, I can kiss you more in the future. Of course, if you don't like it, I'll try to be careful not to m ake you unhappy," she said, her eyes shining.

This expression clearly shows that they are watching their prey fall into a trap.

Mason remembered when they were younger, sometimes

Veronica would tease him just for fun, enjoying the sight of his blushing face.

Even though he knew she was teasing him, he would still along with it, obediently answering and blushin g. And when he saw her smiling face, he felt warm inside.

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"...I like you." His thin lips spoke the truth, and his cheeks turned even redder.

She gazed at his increasingly crimson cheeks, unable to resist reaching out and gently cupping his face. "Our Mason is becoming more and more handsome."

"You...like me?" He whispered.

"Of course I do. From the first time you came to my house when we were kids, I thought you were very c ute, like a doll. Back then, I even wanted to dress you up in a little dress and put your hair in pigtails to m ake you look even cuter." She said.

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Speaking of which, this was also her childhood regret.

At that time, she wanted to dress him up like a doll, but he never agreed.

Mason felt a headache coming on when he heard this.

"But back then, you were pretty and cute. Now, although you're still cute..."

Veronica didn't finish her sentence before Mason interrupted her. "I don't think I'm cute at all now."

"You're very cute, especially with your blushing face. It makes me feel like I want to take care of you like a big sister!" Veronica said, planting several kisses on Mason's rosy cheeks.

Seeing Veronica still wanting more, Mason held her face and said, "Do you know how easily that sentence you just said can be misunderstood?"

This sentence could easily lead to misunderstandings, but he didn't say it out loud.

"Misunderstanding? Did I cause you any misunderstandings?"

Veronica blinked and said, "But I don't think there's anything to misunderstand. Your current appearance is really attractive, and it's only natural for me to be attracted to you!"

Oh my god, her words were like a catalyst to him!

At this moment, Mason only wanted to push the person

in front of him down and kiss her fiercely, making her understand the consequences of teasing him...

Just then, a voice suddenly sounded, "Oops, did we interrupt you guys?"

Veronica turned her head and saw Jasper and William standing at the door of the ward. William's expression was normal, but Jasper was staring with great interest.

Huh?!

Veronica only realized afterwards that her and Mason's posture at the moment was incredibly ambiguous!

Both of them were holding each other's faces, and it seemed

like they were about to kiss in the next second!

"N-no, you misunderstood!" Veronica quickly let go and explained.

Mason then slowly let go of her, but unlike Veronica's flustered

expression, Mason looked as if nothing had happened.

"Veronica, what do you think I misunderstood?" Jasper asked with a burning gaze, innocent yet cunning.

Well, now it was Veronica's turn to blush and feel at a loss for how to answer Jasper's question.

Mason spoke up, "Alright, what are you here for?"

"Of course, I'm here to see you. Mommy also asked me to tell you that the police will officially prosecute Daniel next week. You and Veronica will need to testify in court, of course..." Jasper smiled at Veronica, "Mommy said if Veronica doesn't want to testify, she can apply not to attend."

However, the operating procedures at that time will be a bit troublesome.

"No, I'll go to court!" Veronica said, "I am the main victim and witness, it is only natural for me to go to court!"

"But Veronica, will you be okay if you do that?"

"Don't worry about me, I'm just going to court to testify against a killer!" Veronica reassured Jasper, who was worried.

"Okay, anyway, Mommy will come to the hospital with Daddy tonight, so you can just tell Mommy when the time comes,

Veronica." Jasper said.

"Okay." Veronica agreed.

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"By the way, in about a week, Mason will be discharged from the hospital. Veronica, do you want to stay at our house too?" Jasper suddenly suggested.

Veronica's face turned red, "Stay...stay at your house?"

"Yes, although Mason will be discharged from the hospital,

his mobility will still be limited. Veronica, you have been taking

care of Mason all this time, so why not stay at our house

together to make it easier for you to continue taking care of

him? Besides, you have stayed at our house before, and your

room is still there."

In the Reed family, there is a room for Veronica. When Mason

used to live with the Barlow family, he would sometimes need

to stay at the Reed family for a few days, and Veronica would often accompany him there.

Naturally, the Reed family also prepared a room for her.

Later, although Mason had a falling out with Veronica and went abroad, Veronica's room in the Reed family was still kept and no one had touched it.

It was only now that Veronica learned that her room in the

Reed family was still being kept.

Jasper's suggestion was very much appreciated by Mason.

Mason looked at Veronica and asked, "Do you want to stay at

my house and take care of me?"

Veronica's face turned even

redder. She hadn't thought much about living with him before, but now it felt like they were cohabiting, even though...well, there were other people in the

house.

But facing Mason's direct gaze, Veronica answered honestly,

"Of course, if it won't be a bother to your family."

"Why would it be a bother? My parents would be thrilled if

you stayed with us," Jasper quickly interjected, adding, "And

Mason would be happy too, right Mason?"

"Yes, I would be happy," Mason replied calmly.

Veronica felt like her face was on fire and couldn't help but admire Mason's ability to answer so calmly without changing his expression!

Unlike her, who couldn't hide her emotions at all.

After spending about an hour in the hospital room, Jasper and William left.

Curiously, Veronica asked Mason, "How come my room was

kept? Weren't you studying abroad at the time? Did you really want to keep my room?"

She was being a bit subtle, but strictly speaking, she thought he would have wanted to erase everything related to her, which was why he chose to hypnotize his feelings away.

"I did consider getting rid of your room. On the night before

I left for my studies abroad, I stayed in your room all night and thought about whether to throw away everything inside!" Mason replied.

"Then why didn't you?" Veronica asked curiously.

"I couldn't bear to. I was afraid that if I threw everything away, I would never be able to find it again," Mason said.

Even though he hated her at the time and wanted to erase his feelings for her, he was still conflicted about her.

So in the end, he hypnotized his feelings away but kept her

room.

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"I'm sorry," Veronica held Mason's face and said, "If only I

had realized my true feelings earlier, we wouldn't have gone through such a big circle."

"If you really feel sorry, then love me even more," he said.

"Okay," she agreed, kissing him on the lips, so sweetly!

From now on, she would love him constantly, giving him lots and lots of love, all the love she hadn't given him before.

Once, he

was her little brother, but in the future, he would be the one who would accompany her for life!

Chapter 3834

After Jasper and William left the hospital, Jasper suddenly stopped in his tracks. "Did Daniel really say that Lawrence encouraged him to do all this?" he asked.

"Yes," William replied. "But the police have already questioned

Lawrence, and he didn't admit to anything. At the same time,

Daniel's testimony is just one—sided, and there is no evidence

to prove that it was really Lawrence who encouraged him. It could be that Daniel deliberately implicated someone else to reduce his own guilt."

"If he really wanted to implicate someone else to reduce his guilt, why would he implicate Lawrence? Daniel and Lawrence don't even know each other, and he probably doesn't even know Lawrence exists!" Jasper exclaimed loudly, his face filled with a painful contradiction.

When she learned that Daniel's testimony mentioned Lawrence, the feeling was like being heavily cut by a sharp blade, it was extremely painful.

Lawrence? How could it be Lawrence?!

How could Lawrence be involved with Daniel? Even if Lawrence hated the Reed family, hated her, but the revenge

she imagined did not include the death of her family!

Daniel's actions almost caused Mason and Veronica to lose

their lives.

She couldn't believe that Lawrence was the mastermind

behind all this!

But if it wasn't Lawrence, why did Daniel mention him in his testimony?

Her mind was filled with all kinds of contradictions, constantly debating.

"I know you don't want it to be Lawrence. The police will eventually find out the truth. If it's not Lawrence, he won't be falsely accused, and Daniel won't get a reduced sentence because of it," William said.

"But what if it is Lawrence?!" Jasper's voice trembled as her hands clenched tightly at her side. The mere possibility made her feel physically ill.

"If it is him, then I will help you in the way you want," William replied.

Jasper's eyes widened suddenly. "What...do you mean?"

"I mean, if it really is him, and you want him to go to jail, we

don't have to do anything. We can just wait for the legal system to take its course. After all, your parents won't let the person who almost killed Mason get away, even if it's

Lawrence."

William paused for a moment. "But if you don't want him to go to jail, then I will find a way to clear his name."

"You..." Jasper looked shocked.

William's simple statement of "finding a way to clear his name" would likely involve a lot of resources and connections, and might even lead to him committing a crime himself!

"What's wrong? Why are you looking at me like that?" William reached out to touch Jasper's face.

"You...don't have to do something like this for Lawrence," Jasper murmured.

"It's not for him. I just don't want you to regret anything related to Lawrence in the future," William said. "If he really did commit a crime, and you didn't help him, you might feel guilty and regretful. That's the last thing I want to see."

"But even so, I don't want you to commit a crime for Lawrence's sake," Jasper said. "If we let a criminal go free by making an innocent person commit a crime, what's the point? We'll just end up with another criminal."

"But..." William began.

Jasper interrupted him.

"Like you said, if Lawrence really did commit the crime and ends up in jail, I'll feel guilty and regretful. But if you commit a crime to protect him, won't I feel guilty and miserable too?"

William pursed his thin lips, seeming unsure of what to say.

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Jasper gave a bitter smile. "Now, I just hope that Daniel was talking nonsense."

Earlier at the hospital, she had pretended everything was fine in front of Mason and Veronica. But now, all her disguises had been stripped away, leaving only bitterness and unease.

"Shall I take you back

to the Reed family first? You need to rest. You haven't been sleeping well lately, and your dark circles have gotten worse," William suggested.

"No need. I want to go back to school first," Jasper said. Today was the weekend, and there were no clas ses. But she knew that Lawrence would be in the chemistry lab during this time. There were some things she needed to ask him face—to—face.

"Then let me accompany you back to school," William said.

"I can go by myself. You've been with me all these days, and you must be tired. You should go back and rest," Jasper said, raising her hand to hail a taxi.

But in the next moment, William grabbed her hand. "Are you going to find Lawrence?" he asked.

Jasper nodded lightly.

"That's too dangerous!" William exclaimed. "If Lawrence

wasn't involved in Daniel's plan, then it's fine. But if he was,

then he's a dangerous person now. He may hate the Reed

family more than you think. If you go to him alone, no one can guarantee that he won't harm you!"

"I'm just going to the

school to find him. Even if he really wants to harm me, he won't do it so obviously at school," Jasper

said. "Besides, if he really wanted me dead, he had many

opportunities before, but he didn't take them."

So in Jasper's view, if Lawrence really wanted to retaliate against her, he wouldn't directly harm her. Inst ead, he would choose to hurt someone she cared about to achieve his goal

of revenge.

"Just because he didn't do it before doesn't mean he won't do it in the future," William said gravely. "Anyway, if you really

want to find him, I have to accompany you."

The two of them faced off.

Normally, when William and Jasper have a disagreement, William is always the one who backs down.

But today, William had no intention of backing down.

After a while, Jasper finally said, "Will you come with me back

to school? When I find Lawrence, I want to talk to him alone.

I'm afraid he won't say certain things if you're standing next to

me."

"Okay." This time, William agreed.

William drove and the two of them headed towards the

school.

On the way, he caught a glimpse of Jasper from the corner of

his eye. Jasper was looking down, absentmindedly picking at her fingernails.

This habit usually only appeared when she was upset.

Even though they were now boyfriend and girlfriend and

closer than before, Lawrence was still a taboo topic that

Jasper didn't want anyone to touch.

William couldn't intervene in the matter between Jasper and

Lawrence.

What would happen between Jasper and Lawrence this time?

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How much longer will Lawrence continue to hurt Jasper?

If Lawrence's revenge doesn't

stop here, William will have to find a way to prevent him from doing anything else.

But if he does decide to take action

against Lawrence, he must keep it a secret from Jasper and not let her find out.

Otherwise, given how much she values Lawrence, she may not forgive him.

At this point, William felt the suffocating feeling in his chest becoming stronger.

The car arrived at the school and William and Jasper got out together.

Jasper checked the time and estimated that Lawrence should still be in the school laboratory, so he said to William, "Let's go to the laboratory."

"Okay," William replied.

As they arrived at the laboratory door, they saw Lawrence coming out of the room.

The three of them looked at each other, each with their own thoughts.

Finally, Lawrence's voice broke the silence, "Are you two here to see me?"

"Yes, I have something to ask you," Jasper said.

"Ask me something?" Lawrence raised an eyebrow. "What about Mr. Barlow? Does he also want to ask me something?"

"No, he's just accompanying me," Jasper said.

"Well then, shall we go inside

the laboratory to talk? There's no one inside now, and I don't want unrelated people to hear our conver sation," Lawrence said.

"Okay," Jasper agreed.

"Wait a minute!" William interrupted. "Let's go somewhere else. There's no need to talk in the laboratory. We can find a place in the school where there's no one around. I'll stand far away and just watch, I won't be able to hear what you're saying."

Lawrence chuckled, "What's the matter, Mr. Barlow? Are you afraid I'll do something bad to Jasper in the laboratory? Also, I'm not interested in being watched by others while I'm talking

to someone. If you don't want to go to the laboratory, then we

don't have to talk."

As Lawrence spoke, he gestured to leave.

Jasper stopped Lawrence and said, "I can go into the lab!"

Then she turned to William and said, "Wait for me outside for a while."

"But..." William's face was filled with worry.

"It's okay, what could happen here?" Jasper said, following Lawrence towards the lab.

But before entering the lab, they needed to put on lab coats.

Lawrence handed Jasper a lab coat and said, "Put this on."

Jasper took the lab coat and put it on. She watched as Lawrence walked up to the glass door of the lab and unlocked it with his fingerprint.

The two of them entered the lab and the glass sliding door closed automatically.

This was Jasper's first time in the school's chemistry lab. It was similar to the lab Lawrence had taken her to outside of school, with all the bottles and containers that she couldn't understand.

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Of course, she knew that many of these things were dangerous, so she tried to stay away from them and definitely didn't touch them.

"So, what do you want to talk to me about? Or do you have any questions for me?" Lawrence stopped walking and turned to Jasper.

Jasper looked at Lawrence's handsome face and remembered what he looked like when he was a child.

She had thought of what she wanted to ask him on the way there, but now that she was face to face with him, she hesitated.

If he really was the manipulator that Daniel had mentioned, what should she do?

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Just as she hesitated, Lawrence suddenly *added*, "By the way, if you have any electronic devices on you, they will malfunction once you enter here. This is to prevent anyone

from stealing data from the lab."

Jasper was taken aback and asked, "Are you worried that I will record our conversation?" Lawrence just smiled and said nothing. Jasper suddenly realized why Lawrence insisted on having this conversation in the lab, and she had a feeling of

what he might ask.

er pursed her lips and said, "I didn't record anything."

awrence asked, "So what do you want to ask me?" Jasper

asked, "What is your relationship with Daniel?" Lawrence

replied, "We've met twice, but we're not close. As you know, we

don't have a good impression of the Reed family, so when we

meet, we naturally chat for a few words."

Jasper then asked, "Do you know about Daniel's plan to

retaliate against Mason and Veronica?" Lawrence smiled slightly and said, "Yes, I know. Doesn't your family know about it? He wants to retaliate against Mason and Veronica, and

he has been thinking about it for a long time. After all, he thinks that his current miserable life is all beca use of the Reed family! Having money and power is great, you can easily

manipulate other people's lives!"

Jasper denied it and said, "No! The Reed

family has never done such a thing! It wasn't Mason who made Daniel's father embezzle, nor was it Mason who made Daniel's mother sick. All Mason did was give some money to make Daniel and

Veronica break up!"

## Lawrence

sarcastically asked, "Doesn't that count as manipulating other people's lives?" Jasper replied, "But that was Daniel's own choice!" Lawrence hinted, "Yes, it was his own choice, so this time, he will retaliate against Mason and

Veronica, right?"

Jasper stared at Lawrence and suddenly asked directly, "Does Daniel's actions this time have anything to do with you? Did you instruct or suggest anything to him?" She didn't want to beat around the bush anymore and asked directly what she

wanted to know.

"And what about you? What kind of answer do you want to

hear?" Lawrence asked in return.

"I just want to hear the truth," Jasper said.

"I did say a few things to Daniel, but whether or not he took them seriously and acted on them was his own choice," Lawrence said, admitting to his involvement while also distancing himself from it.

But this statement also made Jasper understand that Daniel's

confession, although partly motivated by a desire to clear

his own name, was also partly true - Lawrence really was

involved in this matter.

Although all Lawrence did was talk and say a few things.

But sometimes, words can be the most persuasive and can

lead to the worst outcomes!

"Why? Why would you do this? Even if you hate me, hate that my parents didn't help your family back then, Mason and

Veronica have nothing to do with it! They have no grudges against you!" Jasper stared at Lawrence and asked loudly.

"But they can hurt you, can't they?" Lawrence said coldly, "You

can only blame Mason for being your brother and Veronica for being the person your brother loves."

Jasper felt like she was in an ice cave. "Just because of that, you want to kill two innocent people?"

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Lawrence approached Jasper, "It's not me who wants them dead, it's Daniel!"

Jasper stared at the person in front of her in a daze. Was this really the Lawrence she used to know? The Lawrence who was pure and clean and could play pure music?

Over the years, she had regretted over

and over again the way they had parted, even without listening to his explanation.

And later, when he needed help the most, she didn't answer his calls in time, so he had been missing for so many years, and even when

he suffered a great disaster in his own home, she couldn't help him in time.

She blamed herself, but she never blamed anyone else.

Because she understood right from wrong, she knew that the root of all this was Lawrence's parents bor rowing money everywhere under the name of the Reed

family, and Lawrence's mother using that money for gambling, which eventually led to increasing debts.

So her parents cut ties with the Abbott family, and Jasper

didn't feel like they did anything wrong.

The only mistake was that she heard Lawrence and his parents' conversation and thought that Lawrence was only pretending to be her friend for his own benefit, not genuinely, so she ended their friendship.

If she had listened to his explanation instead of ending their friendship right away, at least they would still be friends, and those debt collectors might not have resorted to such extreme mea sures, and Lawrence's parents might still be alive.

And Lawrence... wouldn't have lost his parents and disappeared for so many years.

"You... have changed!" Jasper murmured, finally realizing this fact.

"Who wouldn't change? Do you think I can still be the same after all these years?" Lawrence said coldly, "Do you think I would still be the naive kid who only wanted to please you with a word from you, and practice piano until my fingers almost bled?"

"No, I said you have become like Daniel, always blaming others for your mistakes, but never examining your own mistakes, because this way, you can transfer all the guilt and sense of wrongdoing onto others, and you yourselves can become 'innocent', right?" Jasper spoke frankly.

Lawrence's face suddenly became very ugly,

"What do you mean by always blaming others for your mistakes?!"

"Isn't it true? Your parents' death, in the final analysis,

was because of your mother's gambling and your father's indulgence towards her." Jasper said.

This was the first time she had spoken so bluntly in front of him.

"Shut up!" Lawrence suddenly shouted, "The dead should be respected, how can you say such things?!"

"That's true, but because the dead should be respected, even though I have known this all along, I haven't said it like this, but the more I don't say it, the more you blame the Reed f amily for your parents' mistakes, so now I have to say it like this!" Jasper said, "Lawrence, if you want to blame me, to resent me, to retaliate against me, I can understand, but you shouldn't take reven ge on my family!"

Lawrence's facial expression was gradually distorting, "Jasper of the Reed family, you speak so righteously, but if I put you in the middle of an explosion to retaliate against you, would you accept it?"

Jasper said calmly, "It's not about accepting it, it's just that I wouldn't hate you that much."

Lawrence sneered, seemingly mocking Jasper.

Jasper continued, "If it's a meaningful death, I'll accept it, but if it's a meaningless death, why should I accept it? If you want revenge on me, I understand, but that doesn't mean I have to accept death as the price of my fate."

Because she still had her family who loved her, and William.

If something really happened to her, how sad would they be?

Chapter 3839

"I owe you, first because back then,

I heard your piano playing and found you, and kept you by my side. To me, my words changed the fate of your family, so I often think, if

I hadn't insisted on finding you, your family's life wouldn't have changed, and your mother might not have developed a gambling addiction."

Jasper murmured, confessing his guilt to Lawrence word by

word, "Secondly, I didn't listen to your explanation and broke off our friendship. Thirdly, you called me a t the most dangerous time, but I didn't answer. These twists of fate

are my guilt towards you, but this guilt is only mine, the Reed family doesn't owe you, nor does your family, you better remember that!"

Lawrence stared at Jasper fiercely, her words were like digging up the bloody truth that had been buried under his revenge.

Of course, he also understood that the ones to blame for his parents' death were his mother's gambling addiction and his father's indulgence, and those loan sharks who charged high interest rates!

But...his parents were already dead, and those loan sharks

who harmed his parents had been arrested and were receiving the punishment they deserved.

However, the anger and resentment in his heart still couldn't be quelled!

It was like needing a release

valve to vent, in order to let out the anger that had been suppressed in his heart.

And the Reed family was his release valve, allowing him to vent the anger that had been squeezed in his heart.

"Since you also said that you owe me, how do you plan to make up for these three debts of guilt?" Lawrence suddenly asked.

"The guilt I owe you, I've made up for what I could over the years, and for what I can't make up for, I don't think I can do anything about it," Jasper said.

"No way to make it up? You don't even ask how to make it up, how can you say there's no way?" Lawren ce sneered.

"Whether you want to take my life or leave me disabled to seek revenge, I won't agree," Jasper said.

"Aren't you afraid that I'll kill you right here, right now?" Lawrence said. "You know, this is a chemistry lab, everything inside is dangerous. It's easy to cause an explosion here."

"You won't," Jasper said firmly.

"What makes you so sure?" Lawrence asked coldly.

"If there really is an explosion here, neither of us can escape. Besides, if your goal is to kill me so easily, you had the chance before, didn't you?" Jasper said.

Lawrence pursed his thin lips. Yes, he had many chances before to kill her.

But strangely, he never had that thought.

The thought of letting her die never crossed his mind.

He thought of making the Reed family suffer, making them. pay for his parents' death!

But he never thought of Jasper that way.

Chapter 3840

He only wanted her to suffer, but he didn't want her dead.

"Marry me, leave Emerald City with me, and go abroad together!" Lawrence suddenly said. "If you're willing, I can let

go of my hatred, and you can make up for your guilt towards me. What do you say?"

Jasper was stunned. She never expected Lawrence to make

such a request.

"What are you joking about!" she exclaimed.

"Do you think I'm joking?" Lawrence replied. "I'm very serious

about this, but every time I'm serious with you, you seem to think I'm joking."

"So, you want me to marry you, leave Emerald City, all as revenge against me?" she asked.

"Do you think this is revenge?" he asked in return.

"Then what is it? What's the point of doing this?"

"Why can't you understand that it's because I love you?" he

said.

She suddenly widened her eyes, looking at him in disbelief!

If he said he hated her, resented her, or even wished she were

dead, she could understand, but he said he loved her, and she

couldn't understand.

Perhaps the once innocent and harmless Lawrence had liked

her very much. If there had

been no twists and turns between them, and they had grown up normally, there was a possibility that he would have fallen in love with her.

But so many things had happened between them, and he had even lost his family. He had been determined to take revenge on her, and now he said he loved her?!

"You—" she moved her lips, but her throat was dry, and she didn't know what to say.

"Jasper, I love you, and even I find that strange," Lawrence leaned closer to Jasper, his fingers hooking under her chin. "So as long as you're willing to make up for your guil t towards me, as I said, I might really be able to let go of my hatred and live a good life with you abroad."

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Jasper wanted to turn her head to look, but Lawrence still held

her chin, not letting her turn. "It's Mr. Barlow knocking,

but don't worry, this door is made of the highest level of bulletproof glass. Even if Mr. Barlow tries to break it down, he won't be able to."

"Lawrence, the person

I love is not you, so I can't marry you," Jasper said. "I'm sorry, I can find other ways to make up for my gu ilt, but what you're suggesting is not one of them!"

"Is it because of William? Is he the one you love?" Lawrence

asked.

"Yes. The person I love is him. He is my boyfriend and the

person I want to marry in the future!" Jasper replied without any hesitation.

Although there had never been any intense separation. between her and William, even when they had to be apart because they lived in different cities, they would regularly

meet and often video call, so she never felt that William had

ever left her.

This long-

lasting relationship gradually turned from liking to love, and she didn't know how deep her love for Willi am was, but she knew she wanted to live with him in the future, just like her parents.