

## Chapter 329

Acting cautiously, Xavier pretended to have a conversation with Matthew. While Matthew was distracted, he turned around all of a sudden and made a dash for it. But Matthew already had his guard up since a long time ago and chased after him the moment he turned around.

They engaged in a fight for about half an hour and it ended in Xavier being defeated and killed by Matthew.

Matthew set both of their cars on fire to not leave any evidence behind. Then, he took a detour on a road away from the main highway and quietly returned to Eastcliff without anyone knowing what he just did.

Xavier’s elder brother had called him just now and he knew that something was amiss, so he asked Travis to send someone to investigate immediately.

However, when they arrived at the scene, everything had been reduced to ashes and the Hughes had absolutely no idea who did it, and they never suspected Matthew.

After all, Matthew was labeled as a useless bum who relied on his wife. Nobody would have thought that a person who was called a wimp for three years would be capable of such a feat.

They suspected the Jacksons because after all, the Hughes wanted to destroy them, so they wouldn’t just be sitting ducks.

So the next day, the Hughes mobilized a big group of armed men to Eastcliff and demanded an explanation from the Jacksons. But in the end, they couldn’t do anything to them because of the lack of evidence.

To vent their frustrations, they wounded more than a dozen men from the Jacksons and left a bunch of insults before leaving.

Although the Jacksons were furious, there was nothing they could do about it. Since their family wasn’t as strong as theirs, they could only accept their fate.

But what peeved them the most was the reaction of the Ten Greatest Families.

Initially, the top ten families were in a coalition, but after the incident with the Hughes, the other nine families immediately kept a distance from the Jacksons.

It would have been fine if the other nine families only refused to help when the Hughes came to make trouble, but they seized this chance to take over quite a few of their businesses behind their backs.

These were the businesses which the Jacksons invested together with the other nine families. Previously, when things were peaceful among them, they invested and made money together, but now that the Jacksons were in trouble, the rest of them couldn’t wait to take over the Jacksons’ share in the businesses.

In addition, the people who were trying to get into the Jacksons’ good books before were now arrogant and domineering when they met them.

Even those who bore a grudge against them from before were using this opportunity to make a scene at the Jackson’s Residence, rendering the whole household restless.

In just a few days, the Jacksons, who were once glorious in Eastcliff, had now fallen to such a state. It was just like the saying, ‘everybody hits a man who is down’.

During this whole period, the Jacksons practically stayed at home all day and did not dare to go out. Right now, the main members of the family were sitting in front of Connor with worried and sad faces.

“Old Master, what should we do now? It’s obvious that the Hughes want to crush us. Are we just going to be sitting ducks?”

“Say something, Old Master. Why don’t we plead with the Hughes to let us off? Even if we’ll be their slaves, it’s still better than having our family ruined and dead!”

A round of discussion broke out amongst them, and most of them were hoping that Connor would plead with the Hughes again.

With his eyes closed and rosary beads in his right hand, Connor appeared as though he hadn’t heard them, and they turned even more outrageous when he didn’t say anything after a long time.

Finally, someone simply stood up and shouted, “Old Master, I think the incident with the Hughes happened purely because of the miscalculations in your planning. You’re getting old and your mind is getting slow, so you’re no longer fit to be in charge of the family. Why don’t you hand out all your shares and let our elder brother handle it? He can then discuss it over with the Hughes, and our family might still have some hope for survival!”

That made Connor pop his eyes open and he glanced at the faces around him, carefully taking note of their expressions. He knew that these people who wanted him to give up his authority were no longer loyal to him and they shouldn’t be kept any longer!

