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Jimmy Avelino waited, he wasn't sure if his eldest son would come or not. But he hopes that he showed up. He hopes he still regards him as his father, the man whose index finger he wrapped around his tiny little palms when he was born.

He wants to see his family united again in love. The bond they shared all these years shouldn't shatter before his eyes as the man and father of the house without being able to do anything about it.

Every one of them is going to intensify their search for Selen. She might have gone into hiding, to have her babies and live a quiet secret life. She might still be afraid of crossing the Avelino's without realising that the entire family was in search of her.

Jimmy kept hoping, Julian was present and Katherine also had arrived. She looked sad and unhappy, her life has been filled with so much disappointment that at this point, her marriage was at the verge of collapse.

"I don't know if Clancy will come but I honestly look forward to seeing him" Jimmy Avelino stated, his anxiousness prying out of its hiding place. He wants to see his son, that's undeniable.

Julian saw how desperate his parents were, he knew they wanted to see Clancy. His mother was particularly unwell and his brother hadn't come to see her. He doesn't care anymore.

According to him, Selen and his kids are somewhere that he didn't know. If his kids can be without their father, it's the same if his parents can live without him for the rest of their lives.

He stood up and said "excuse me" and stepped out. He took his phone and called Clancy. He expected him to come, but he might suddenly change his mind and wouldn't notify them about it. He'd done that before.

"Is there a problem?" Clancy's question came first as soon as he answered the phone. He'd decided he was going to come, and that's exactly what he was doing.

Why was Julian calling him then?

"We're waiting for you Clancy...are you coming?" Julian asked. He can only persuade his elder brother. There's nothing else he can do besides that.

"In two minutes, I'll be in the estate" Clancy responded and hung up. He soon drove into the estate and saw Julian waiting for him. His chauffeur parked in the driveway and Clancy stepped out and asked "You should be inside?"

"Yes, we should be in already" Julian chimed and hugged his brother. Together they chuckled and got in. Clancy got to the dinning and saw his parents, both sighed softly

for relief.

"Clancy my dear" Rose Avelino chimed. She was happy to see her son. She got up and met him midway. She crossed her arms around his waist and said "I missed you my son...I missed you so much " she stuttered.

She started sobbing. It hurts her that she was unfair in her attitude towards Selen. And to know that she was hurting her grandchildren. She understands how Clancy feels and she justifies his actions in cutting ties with her.

Clancy didn't dodge, he didn't stop his mother from hugging him, he just stood unmoved and shut his eyes. He missed her too. He is so attached to his mom when growing up.

Whatever she did, she thought she was helping him. And in the end it wasn't really her fault. He was the one who destroyed Selen and his kids and not anyone else. He'd only ruined her and threw her to the gutters for others to trample upon.

"Forgive me son...please forgive me" Rose pleaded, her tears running down her cheeks as she held firmly to her son. "I was wrong, Clancy, mummy apologises to you..." Rose sobbed.

"My kids mum...Selen...I can't find them..." he trailed off. If he finds her, he will know that the search is over and he will eventually get united with his kids.

But he doesn't know if she's fine or had complications after she disappeared from the hospital like the doctor said. Selen left the hospital unannounced despite being told she needed a bed rest because of the threatened abortion.

"We'll find them all, Clancy. Your father is promising you that we'll intensify our search outside London and England. We'll find her and the kids and we'll bring them home. This is their home and they'll come back to their home" Jimmy promised.

Later that evening, Clancy strolled to the servant's quarters, he walked into the room where Selen lived back then, that year when she was innocently brought into his life. He should have known that she's not favoured.

He gets irritated by her, not because of the reckless night he spent with her. But because she was the bride the Williams family had forced down his throat because he was in the wrong and prefers to settle the grieved family outside the court.

He had no option than to grant their request after paying a huge compensation fee, only to find out that the real beneficiary of the compensation wasn't aware of it and to fully conceal it, she was sent away from home in the disguise of marriage.

He glanced around the room, it was neat and well kept. It's a tiny narrow room. How was she able to live in such a space for three months? He'd never come this far in the estate hence he had no idea how the place looked.

And even if he did, the way he felt about Selen back then, he wouldn't care if she sleeps in the garage or the open space. The resentment back then, was thick and oozing out of him towards her in thick contempt.

He glanced at the bed and saw the picture portrait of Selen and her mother when she

was younger. He was the reason why she lost her mother and was also responsible for her to live in destitute with three children all by herself.

Can she take care of them? How is she surviving being a single mother or perhaps she has found love and has moved on. Can she really move on with the triplets?

"Clancy" Katherine called, standing by the doorway. She'd been staring at him for some minutes and he didn't realise it. She saw how lost he looked and a quiet yawning spread all over his facial expression.

Clancy heard his name and knew whose voice it was. He stiffened but didn't turn to glance at her nor respond to her. He kept his gaze on her picture and picked it up. As he gazed on it, it was as if he was understanding the bond the mother and daughter shared.

What a bond he broke, a relationship he shattered and two happy souls separated by him. He sighed softly and felt tears clouding his eyes.

He glanced away with a quiet snuffle.

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Katherine came over and crossed her arms around Clancy's bicep. She leaned her head gently on his upper arm and stayed still for a while. He didn't push her away and he didn't initiate a conversation either.

"I'm sorry for everything, Clancy" Katherine apologised for the up-tent time. She'd lost count of how many times she'd apologise and pleaded to him to forgive her. He was mad with mum the most.

But talking about it, she played a significant role in all that happened. She was the one who went to Selen and made her sign the divorce papers. She was the one who instigated mum that sending Selen away was the best decision.

"I am to be blamed for everything that happened. I should have thought of her parting words, when she said I would one day remember what I've done and regret it greatly..." Katherine paused and sniffled.

Clancy was still. He hadn't heard that part of the whole incident. Selen Williams knew what she meant. She already knew that he would regret treating her that way when he found out about the pregnancy.

Katherine continued "And today, Clancy, I regret my actions. I think I have paid for my sins. I have, and I am afraid of this pattern taunting me for the rest of my life"

Clancy sighed and placed the photograph in his hand back to its place. It baffles him how her things had been neatly kept despite being away for years. They should have kept her, that was more important than keeping her things.

"How much have you paid for your sins compared to what I am going through? No one bears the brunt of Selen's disappearance than me. Whatever you think you are going through, it's a shadow of my pain and inner suffering" Clancy explained.

"No, you're wrong on that brother" Katherine rebuffed and let go of his biceps. She walked over and stood in front of him and sighed "I have been married for five years Clancy, and I have suffered miscarriages more than I could bear.

Mike is withdrawn from me and doesn't want to make love to me anymore because he assumed I wasn't capable of giving him a baby. It's a waste of effort, that's what he said.

And why I think I am paying for my sins is because a dream usually precedes my miscarriage..." Katherine choked as her trembling voice turned into a sob.

Clancy just stared at her. He doesn't know what to say to her. Maybe sob and empty your burden or withhold your tears and bottle up your pain, causing more harm. He just glanced away and saw the tiny wardrobe where Selen's things were kept.

He walked towards it when Katherine continued "The tears of Selen and the bloody threat of a miscarriage that she experienced repeats itself in my dreams and when it does, I'll lose the pregnancy again..."

At this point, Clancy paused. What is Katherine saying? He saw the CCTV footage of what they did to Selen and he saw the blood. She was soaked in her own blood and unconscious when she was taken to the hospital.

He still doesn't know how the pregnancy was saved. That volume of blood for fetuses at three months? He doesn't believe in miracles but what he saw that day, makes him realise that miracles do happen on rare occasions.

He'd kept that clip and it taunts him each time he watches it. But no matter what happens, he is never going to discard that clip. Was it the same scene, playing itself in Katherine's dream?

"I had visited psychiatric hospitals and even tried getting help from a psychologist but none of it was making a difference. In exactly three months of my pregnancy, I will have that dream and I'll lose my babies" she concluded.

She knew they were wrong. She was wrong and mum was, too. But Selen's babies survived. Why was she suffering so much? Had she cursed her from being a mother?

Clancy sighed softly and opened the closet. A few dresses were hung in the closet. They absolutely belonged to Selen. He saw the dress, the one she wore on the night when they met. The night they made their babies.

He took the dress and decided he was going home with it. That was the only time he ever had a proper conversation with Selen. After that night, he was being hostile and ruthless towards her.

He'll have the servants move everything in that room that belongs to Selen into his room. She was supposed to be the one occupying that room in the first place.

"Did you even hear what I said Clancy?" Katherine asked. He didn't even turn to glance at her nor say a word to all she'd said. Did he hate her this much or he just doesn't feel

concerned about her pains and losses?

"Of course I heard you" he replied and turned to face her "But there's nothing I can do about it. I suffered too, and I'm still suffering. My kids are breathing somewhere on this planet or probably this continent and I haven't set my eyes on them.

Do you know what that means? Can you guess how old they are now? I am a father, Katherine but I don't even know what my triplets look like. I know you are suffering, but I am too.

And this would never have happened if you had been sensible enough to place a call to me that my wife was pregnant and you were going to send her away. You are a woman, Katherine, do you have no pity for another woman who was pregnant?

Even if the child in her belly wasn't mine, you should have a bit of humanity in you. You shouldn't have treated her the way you did. You saw how much she bled and you're not concerned about it.

Even if Selen is paying for the greediness of the Williams, what about the babies in her belly? Should they share in the errors of their predecessors? What do you now want me to say?

I think we all need to manage whatever we're going through and keep searching for her. Perhaps we will find her one day and then she will forgive us. I hope you are able to have a baby of yours and I also hope you don't lose Mike.

That guy loves you despite your senseless acts. Having him and keeping him should be your priority now, Kath"Clancy blurted. He was trying hard to keep his tempers in check. Katherine is really annoying.

"But I want your forgiveness first, Clancy. If I get yours, I know that one day I'll get Selen's. Please forgive me, brother" Katherine pleaded. Her brother is hurt beyond words, she knows.

While waiting to see Selen and get pardoned, she can begin from her own brother. She hopes things get a little better for her after now.

"If it's me, you have my forgiveness Kath. I hold no grudge against you or mum anymore. If I still do, I wouldn't be here sharing a dinner with you" Clancy declared.

After what dad said earlier, he knew that only he was to be blamed for what happened. He was the one who sinned and hurt Selen, not his family. He'd placed her in a position and they accorded the respect that is due to that position.

Katherine smiled, wiping her tears off. This is a milestone achieved. If she got his pardon, she's closer now to getting her guilt washed away than before.

"Thank you Clancy," Katherine appreciated and went to him hugging him. Clancy forced a smile and hugged her, kissing her temple.

"I love you Clancy," Katherine said, placing her head against his torso. Being away from her brother for a few years was more hurting to her than what she felt when she learnt that Selen was pregnant without a wedding consummation.

"Do I need to tell you again, that I've always loved you?" Clancy asked and the siblings

chuckled.

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