

THE DIVORCE PRESCRIPTION

Chapter 1041

Every word from Hailey struck like a hammer, each one pounding Rebecca further down. Her mind went blank.

She didn't know how to defend herself. Perhaps there was even nothing left to say.

No matter how hard she tried to cover her mistakes, the truth always found a way to leak through.

Hailey had noticed. And now, she was exposing it in front of everyone.

The students edged closer.

"Rebecca, why are you so quiet? How could you afford a 500-dollar nightgown?"

"It's not just Hailey anymore. We're all starting to question you."

"At first, we genuinely felt sorry for you when you kneeled in front of Hailey. But now, it's pretty obvious that you're the one acting the most suspicious."

Rebecca stammered, "B-but... I didn't buy that nightgown. Someone else gave it to me. It was a gift."

"And who exactly would give you such an expensive piece of clothing?"

Rebecca quickly turned to Olivia. "Olivia, you were the one who gave me that nightgown. Have you forgotten?"

After a moment, a realization hit Olivia. "Oh, that's right! For your birthday a while back, I had a friend bring you a nightgown from abroad. This must be it."

"Yes, Olivia, you remember now. Given my financial situation, there's no way I could've afforded such an expensive nightgown. It was the very first gift I ever received. Because it meant so much to me, I never had the heart to wear it.

"It wasn't until I stayed at Hailey's house that I finally decided to put it on. It's such a shame that Hailey misread the situation and went as far as taking a photo of me. How could she think I was trying to seduce her fiance?"

With just a few words, Rebecca managed to deflect the blame onto Hailey once

more.

Hailey hadn't anticipated that the nightgown was a gift from Olivia, but that detail didn't matter. Eventually, Rebecca's true colors would be exposed.

Today was just the start.

"Rebecca, I see now that I misjudged you," Hailey said. "But in the future, you need to be more careful with people's boundaries and avoid actions that could be seen the wrong way. If you hadn't crossed those lines, I wouldn't have misunderstood you."

The students immediately rallied behind Hailey.

"Hailey has always been warm and generous. Plus, she's sincere with those she cares about. Remember, she took you in out of kindness. The least you can do is respect her boundaries."

"That's right, Rebecca. Get up quickly. If you keep kneeling like that, people might think Hailey's the one bullying you."

Rebecca was stunned. Was she really at fault just for kneeling?

Though fury churned within her, she kept it buried deep inside.

There was no denying she had lost today.

Hailey moved closer, offering her hand. "Come on, get back on your feet."

Rebecca grasped it firmly and stood up. "Thanks, Hailey."

"There's no need to thank me," Hailey replied. "The road ahead is long, and we've got all the time in the world."

Rebecca was no longer concerned with hiding her true intentions. "Exactly. There's plenty of time. We'll take it slow."

Despite everything that had

happened, Olivia remained firmly on Rebecca's side. "Hailey, let's settle this once and for all. Not every woman is after your fiance. I get that women are attracted to men but that doesn't mean you need to be so suspicious of every woman around him."

The students gathered around once more.

"Hailey, who is your fiance?"

"Is your fiance really that irresistible? Does he have women throwing themselves at him?"

Olivia spoke up. "A clever woman knows how to hold on to her man rather than waste her time chasing other women away. Don't you agree, Hailey?"

Hailey's lips curled into a smirk. "My fiance didn't hit Rebecca with a bottle for no reason. Think about it, Olivia. He was in the shower when Rebecca suddenly barged in out of nowhere.

"Was he supposed to just stand there and let her see everything et

These days, even men need to learn, protect themselves. It's a new world out there

The students started to voice their opinions.

"So Hailey's fiancé acted on instinct when he hit Rebecca. It's completely understandable given the circumstances."

"Honestly, your fiancé seems like a really good guy."

"It's clear you two are totally head over heels for each other."

"If some random woman showed up in my boyfriend's bathroom, I'd be glad if he reacted the same way."

Everyone began to envy Hailey and Jonah's relationship.

Rebecca was taken aback. Had her actions today actually worked in Hailey and Jonah's favor?

Somehow, she had only managed to reinforce Jonah's image as a devoted and caring man.

"Stop leaving us hanging, Hailey. Who exactly is your fiancé?"

"Yeah, we're all dying to know!"

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Hailey smiled and said, "You'll find out when the time comes."

"Alright then, let's stop bothering Hailey."

"We should grab a bite."

With that, a few female students pulled Hailey away. Before long, the crowd of onlookers began to disperse.

Rebecca and Olivia stood frozen. Rebecca's anger surged, and she dug her nails into her palm. This was nothing like she had envisioned.

It was infuriating.

"Olivia, did I mess up again?" she asked.

"No, Rebecca, you didn't!" Olivia reassured her. "Just forget about it. Let's move on and leave this behind us."

"But Hailey doesn't want to be friends with me anymore."

"Even if she doesn't, you've still got me. I'll always be your best friend," Olivia replied.

Rebecca nodded. "Alright, let's get something to eat as well."

Just as Hailey was having lunch with a few of her classmates, a sudden stir spread through the crowd.

"Breaking news!"

"What is it? Tell us!"

"I just heard that Mr. Pilsner is coming to give a lecture!"

Jonah was on his way, and although it had been some time since he last visited Aspenfield University, given his prominence on campus, the news spread like wildfire.

Hailey fluttered her long eyelashes in surprise. Jonah hadn't said a word about this.

Why had he chosen today to return?

The students around her buzzed with excitement.

"Yay, Mr. Pilsner is back!"

"Mr. Pilsner is more than just a handsome face. He's also exceptionally intelligent. The way he speaks at the podium is absolutely riveting!"

"Alright, stop daydreaming. Don't you remember? Mr. Pilsner already has a girlfriend!"

"Whoever she is, she's one lucky woman."

As Jonah's girlfriend, Hailey couldn't help but agree. She was indeed quite happy.

"Hailey, Mr. Pilsner's lecture is about to start. We should head in!"

Hailey clutched her design drafts. "I still have one more design to finish."

"That's

you can do it later. But

you can't miss Mr. Pilsner's class. If

you skip

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Soon enough, Hailey was ushered into the lecture hall by her classmates. As she hoped to stay under the radar, she made her way to the very last row.

While Jonah was the talk of Aspenfield University, Hailey had no interest in latching onto his fame.

Still, wasn't he supposed to be busy today?

He'd been swamped with work at the office for the past few days. So what made him suddenly decide to give a lecture here?

Just then, two familiar figures appeared. It was none other than Rebecca and Olivia.

Both of them took their places in the second-to-last row. As Hailey glanced up, she saw Rebecca staring right at her.

Rebecca felt like an ever-present shadow, impossible to shake off.

Hailey chuckled coldly and turned her head.

With Jonah's class right around the corner, the lecture hall quickly filled to capacity.

Everyone eagerly awaited his entrance.

Suddenly, a wave of excitement rippled through the crowd. "Look! Mr. Pilsner's here!"

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As Hailey glanced up, she caught sight of Jonah's tall, striking figure.

He had finally arrived.

Although Jonah had given lectures here before, the students' enthusiasm hadn't waned. In fact, it only seemed to grow.

The moment Jonah walked in, the entire hall buzzed with excitement.

"Hello, Mr. Pilsner!"

"Mr. Pilsner, it's been too long!"

"Mr. Pilsner, we didn't think you'd come back to teach, but here you are! Looks like our wish has come true!"

The students were ecstatic, their eyes lighting up as they gazed at Jonah.

Jonah was dressed in a custom-tailored black suit. Underneath, his crisp white shirt was complemented by a tie.

He held a book in his hands, and his long, elegant fingers captivated anyone who noticed.

With confidence, he walked to the podium, his piercing gaze sweeping across the room.

Almost immediately, the chatter died down. Jonah held the room in his grasp, his presence radiating authority. The enormous lecture hall seemed to stand still, wrapped in a heavy, almost tangible silence.

Before long, Jonah spoke up. His deep, magnetic voice resonated throughout the hall. "Good afternoon, everyone. It's a pleasure to be here once more and learn alongside all of you."

Seated in the back, Hailey couldn't tear her eyes from him. Even from the furthest row, Jonah seemed to shine, his magnetic presence reaching out to her.

Hailey could hear the rapid thump of her heartbeat in her ears.

From the corner of her eye, she noticed Rebecca seated a few rows ahead. Her eyes were also fixed on Jonah, completely mesmerized by his charm.

Hailey could sense Rebecca's resolve. It was clear she was scheming to win Jonah's heart.

Hailey's lips curled in a sneer. She saw right through Rebecca-this was Melody, hiding behind a new name.

With Ewan out of the picture, Melody had reinvented herself as "Rebecca" to pursue both Jonah and Hailey.

But no matter what, Jonah belonged to Hailey. She wouldn't let anyone take him away from her.

Jonah stood at the podium and addressed the crowd. "Actually, I'm not here to give a lecture today."

The students spoke up at once.

"Wait, Mr. Pilsner, aren't you here to teach us?"

"Mr. Pilsner, did you come just to visit us?"

"That would be such an honor!"

Jonah's lips curled into a knowing smile. "Actually, I'm here to make an announcement."

He was about to reveal something in front of the entire campus.

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Hailey was caught off guard. She hadn't expected Jonah's appearance today, let alone the fact that he had something to declare publicly

The students urged him on.

"Mr. Pilsner, what's the big announcement?"

"Come on, Mr. Pilsner! Don't keep us in suspense. We're dying to hear it!"

Jonah scanned the crowd. "Let me take attendance first. I want to make sure everyone's here."

With that, he pulled out the roster and began reading the names aloud.

"Nora!"

"Here!"

The roll call went on until a familiar name cut through the air.

"Rebecca!"

Rebecca had been waiting for this moment. With a bright smile, she answered, "Here, Mr. Pilsner!"

Jonah raised his head, his eyes meeting hers.

Without missing a beat, the students chimed in.

"Mr. Pilsner, do you know Rebecca?"

"Mr. Pilsner, you didn't look at anyone else like that when you called our names. Looks like you've got a favorite!"

As the teasing from the crowd grew

louder, Rebecca's cheeks t

bright red. Nonetheless, the

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Winning Jonah's affection would make her the woman everyone else envied.

She craved those jealous stares more than anything.

Beside her, a classmate couldn't help but ask, "Rebecca, what's your relationship with Mr. Pilsner?"

"Rebecca, why is your face so red? Are you dating Mr. Pilsner?"

"With both of them being so good-looking, I think they'd make a perfect match."

"Rebecca, are you Mr. Pilsner's girlfriend?"

Everyone knew Jonah had a girlfriend, but no one knew her identity.

In an instant, Rebecca turned shy. "Mr. Pilsner and I aren't in the kind of relationship you think. Please, don't spread rumors. People might get the wrong idea."

As she spoke, Rebecca purposely glanced at Hailey.

She was well aware that Hailey was Jonah's fiancée, but the thought of unsettling her gave her a secret thrill.

Hailey, on the other hand, was completely unfazed.

Just then, Jonah spoke up casually. "Yes, I know Rebecca."

While he openly confirmed he knew her, he didn't elaborate on how they were acquainted or the nature of their relationship.

Still, that single remark was enough to set off a wave of speculation.

The students looked at Rebecca with envy.

"Rebecca, how could you keep that a secret? Why didn't you tell us you know Mr. Pilsner?"

"I'm sure you're his girlfriend. Don't bother denying it."

Rebecca's face reddened further. "Please, stop saying that."

Meanwhile, Jonah carried on with the roll call. "Kendrick!"

"Here!"

Jonah soon reached a familiar name. "Hailey!"

Sitting in the back row, Hailey responded loudly, "Here!"

Jonah glanced over at her and continued, "Earlier, I mentioned I had an announcement. Well, here it is. I'm getting married!"

His words hung in the air, leaving the lecture hall in stunned silence.

The news was too sudden for anyone to fully process.

"Mr. Pilsner, you're getting married?"

"What's the hurry, Mr. Pilsner?"

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Jonah stood at the podium, his eyes filled with joy and warmth. "It's actually not sudden at all. My

girlfriend and I have been together

for four years. I've asked her to

marry me more times than I can count, and finally, she said yes.

"She's going to be my bride! I didn't come here today to teach I came to

Share

this wonderful news with all of you. I'm getting married!"

Jonah's affectionate look sparked a chorus of excited reactions.

"Mr. Pilsner, who's your bride?"

"Could it be... Rebecca?"

"Rebecca, are you marrying Mr. Pilsner?"

"That explains Rebecca's reaction when Mr. Pilsner called her name earlier. You two were about to make it official in front of all of us!"

"I get it now. You came here to flaunt your love. We're all being completely swept away by it."

"Rebecca, you're so lucky!"

The flush on Rebecca's face vanished instantly. She hadn't expected Jonah to announce his marriage here today.

To make matters worse, the bride wasn't her—it was Hailey.

Rebecca's earlier antics had completely misled everyone. In reality, she had only wanted to provoke Hailey.

Flustered, Rebecca stammered, "Mr. Pilsner and I—"

Jonah turned to her. "Rebecca, are you saying that I'm marrying you?"

He asked the question without hesitation.

"I—"

Before Rebecca could say another word, Jonah cut her off. "Let me put everyone's

curiosity to rest. Yes, I do know Rebecca."

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Jonah openly admitted that he knew Rebecca.

The entire lecture hall erupted in an uproar. For the students, his words were almost like an official announcement. It was clear to them that Rebecca was his girlfriend.

"Damn, Rebecca, you're so lucky! When you and Mr. Pilsner get married, you'd better invite us to the wedding!"

This was exactly the kind of attention Rebecca had always craved. But now, those envious glances felt like a thousand cuts.

Flustered, she quickly tried to correct them, "No, you're mistaken. Mr. Pilsner and I aren't what you think we are..."

Jonah smirked. "Rebecca's right. Our relationship isn't what you're imagining. We're just acquaintances. She's not my fiancée."

The students were left in shock.

Whispers quickly spread through the hall.

"Wait, what's going on here?"

"But given how excited Rebecca was around Mr. Pilsner, I really thought they were dating!"

Jonah's gaze fell on Rebecca. "Back then, I didn't know who Rebecca was. I only met her because she's a friend of my fiancée. My fiancée even invited her to stay at our place for a while. That's how we became acquainted."

Considering the scene Rebecca had caused earlier in the cafeteria, it didn't take long for the students to put the pieces together.

"Oh my god, Mr. Pilsner... is your fiancée... Hailey?"

In an instant, every eye in the room shifted to the back row where Hailey sat.

Hailey had remained silent throughout the entire exchange. With Jonah there, she didn't need to say a word.

She had known from the very beginning that Jonah had come to stand up for her.

The events in the cafeteria must have gotten back to him, which explained why he had come all the way to Aspenfield University.

Jonah's gaze shifted toward Hailey as he stepped down from the podium. With confident strides, he walked toward her.

"Honey, I'd like to make our relationship public today. Is that okay with you?" he asked.

Jonah's deep, captivating voice carried across the campus as he addressed Hailey. The moment his words sank in, the entire hall buzzed with excitement.

"Oh my God, Mr. Pilsner's fiancée is Hailey!"

"We should've guessed it earlier. Mr. Pilsner and Hailey are a perfect match!"

Amid the cheers, Hailey's lips curled into a bright smile. "Of course, I don't mind!"

She stood up and walked to Jonah's side.

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keep tone, I didn't mean to

from you. I just didn't want

my personal life to distract you from your studies

"But the truth is, Jonah is my fiancé,

and we'll be getting married soon

When the time comes, we'll be inviting all of you to our wedding."

With grace and confidence, Hailey openly shared their relationship and the exciting news of their marriage.

At her announcement, the students sprang to their feet.

"Hailey, I can't believe you kept this a secret! How could you not tell us you and Mr. Pilsner were a thing?"

"Hailey, we're definitely coming to your wedding with Mr. Pilsner!"

Jonah reached for Hailey's hand, his fingers enveloping hers.

As their eyes met, a loving smile passed between them.

Then, turning toward Rebecca, Hailey spoke up. "Rebecca."

At the sound of her name, Rebecca froze. In an instant, all eyes shifted to her.