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The More the Merrier Chapter 331 Let Me Apply It For Her

Benjamin gave Shaun the side-eye.

Having recovered his smile quickly, Shaun prescribed some medication for Arissa.

“Once you’ve applied this a few times, you’ll be fully recovered.

I hope you’ll be more careful the next time you drink coffee.

Or else, you’ll just end up making someone else worry.

”

Arissa blushed after she was lectured by him.

“Thank you,” she thanked him while receiving the medication.

Shaun replied with a smile, “You should thank him instead!

”

He then pointed at Benjamin.

After giving him the side-eye, Arissa ranted, “Why should I thank him?

If it wasn’t because he wanted to drink coffee, I wouldn’t have scalded myself.

”

Benjamin snapped, “Well, you should watch what you’re drinking next time!

”

While Arissa was filled with exasperation, Shaun was dumbstruck by Benjamin’s feistiness.

"All right now, Benjamin, calm down.

It's understandable for Mrs.

Graham to be in a bad mood due to her scalding herself.

So, you have to be more understanding.

After all, when you were having your allergy, didn't she coax you patiently?

You should pick up a thing or two from her instead," he advised Benjamin.

"If there's nothing else, I'll be taking my leave now.

"

Benjamin shot him a glare.

"Yeah, yeah.

Just get lost now, will you?

"

Shaun frowned.

Only Benjamin is capable of kicking me out once I am of no use to him.

Stumped by Benjamin's treatment of Shaun, Arissa thanked the latter, "Sorry to have troubled you to come all the way here.

"

"Don't worry about it.

I'm just doing my job.

Remember to apply the medication," Shaun replied cordially.

After all, he was under Benjamin's employ as the latter's family doctor.

If he didn't manage to arrive in time, Benjamin would likely end his career as a doctor.

Arissa nodded in acknowledgment.

“Thank you!

”

“Don’t mention it!

”

Feeling the weight of Benjamin’s piercing gaze, Shaun quickly packed up and nodded at them to bid goodbye.

He reckoned he was still in time to join the children on their outing.

Even though Arissa ignored Benjamin, she still felt the immense pressure he emitted from standing by her table.

When their eyes met, she peered into the depths of his eyes and wondered what he was looking at.

“What is it, Mr.

Graham?

” she asked plainly.

“Next time, don’t be so polite to Shaun,” he reminded, stunning Arissa.

“Give me the medication, I’ll apply it for you.

”

When Benjamin reached out his hand, Arissa avoided it and insisted softly, “I’ll do it myself.

”

“How can you do it yourself when you can’t even see it?

” Benjamin scoffed.

Arissa pursed her lips in response.

But it’s just too embarrassing for him to apply the medication for me.

"I have a mirror.

"

Pursing his lips, Benjamin stared intently at her.

"In that case, you should apply it right away.

"

Just as he spoke, he returned to his desk.

Subsequently, Arissa used the reflection on her phone's screen to apply the medication.

The moment the medication made contact with her tongue, she was overwhelmed by how bitter it tasted.

Grimacing in response, she spat it out at once.

"What are you doing?

" Benjamin's deep voice rang out.

When Arissa looked up, she was greeted by a demanding look on his face.

After drinking a few mouthfuls of water, she explained, "The medication is too bitter for me.

"

Benjamin scoffed, "And here I thought you have a high tolerance for pain since you've criticized me for complaining about my medicine.

"

Arissa was embarrassed after being reprimanded by him.

"How is that the same?

All you had to do was swallow your medication, while I have to apply it on my tongue.

Obviously, I'm not afraid of pills.

”

Benjamin snorted, “If you want to get better, just apply it quickly.

”

Arissa turned her head away, as she no longer wanted to speak to him.

After a while, she finally applied some medicine on her tongue.

Later on, when Benjamin invited her to join a meeting, she was stunned.

“Isn’t today the weekend?

What kind of meeting are we having?

”

“A department managers’ meeting.

”

Benjamin glanced at her.

“Hurry up now.

”

After packing her things, Arissa followed him quickly.

Just when she thought he was trying to pull her leg, she was surprised to see the meeting room filled with people.

Blinking her eyes, she hurried to her seat at once.

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Benjamin swept his gaze across the room and saw that everyone was present.

However, some of them didn't have time to change into formal clothing, while others got their buttons mismatched.

"Next time you're here for the meeting, make sure you dress properly before entering the office!

"

The moment Benjamin reprimanded them, they straightened their clothes at once.

As he swept his gaze across the room again to inspect, everyone felt edgy in their seats.

"Let's begin!

"

Based on routine, everyone took their turns to present their reports.

In the meantime, others snuck a glance at Benjamin and were unsettled upon seeing the grim look on his face.

When it was Arissa's turn, Benjamin decided to skip her on the account of her scalded tongue.

"Ms.

York, you will report to me later.

As for the rest of you, continue.

"

Glancing at him, Arissa saw that Benjamin was listening intently to the progress reports from the other departments.

Whenever there were any problems, he would resolve them decisively.

Throughout the meeting, he would exude the impressive aura of a charismatic leader.

Arissa was filled with admiration when she watched how efficient Benjamin was at work.

After the meeting was chaired for an hour, it finally came to an end.

“Mr.

Graham, are you feeling better now?

”

“Mr.

Graham, why don't you rest for a few days more?

”

The department managers expressed their concerns.

“As you can see, I've already recovered,” Benjamin declared.

He then turned to Arissa and said, “Arissa, come with me to my office.

”

Stumped, Arissa had no choice but to follow him under everyone's surprised gazes.

Once they were gone, the managers began to gossip.

“Mr.

Frank, what's Ms.

York's relationship with Mr.

Graham?

”

It was obvious to them that Benjamin treated Arissa differently.

In fact, they seemed to be quite close.

Ethen beamed.

“Whatever it is.

Just take good care of Ms.

York.

”

Considering how sharp everyone was, they could read between the lines of what Ethen had said.

“When did they start going out with each other?

”

Sweeping his gaze at the managers in the room, Ethen grinned.

“All right now.

Stop being busybodies.

There’s no way I’m going to answer a question like that.

Also, have your departments finished your work on schedule?

If not, you’d better get it done so that you will not end up pleading for an extension when you fail to deliver.

By then, there’s no way I’m going to help you.

”

“Mr.

Frank, I’ll buy you a drink when you’re free!

”

“I’ll buy you lunch!

”

“Let’s go to the club!

It’ll be on me.

”

Ethen pursed his lips.

“I don’t have the time.

”

Oblivious that everyone else was gossiping about them, Arissa followed Benjamin back to his office.

The moment they returned, the latter dove back into his work.

“Mr.

Graham...”

“Get back to work,” Benjamin grunted before typing furiously on the keyboard.

“Don’t I need to present the report to you?

” Arissa asked.

Benjamin glanced at her.

“If I had wanted you to report it, I would have asked you to during the meeting.

Why would I wait till now?

”

Arissa seethed.

But that’s not what you said earlier!

“Is your tongue better now?

”

Arissa raised her brow when she saw the concerned look in his eyes.

“I have no trouble talking.

”

It was no longer painful.

All she felt was a little numbness.

“Mmm-hmm,” Benjamin grunted before adding, “if Gavin finds out, he will blame me for it.

”

Arissa rolled her eyes at him.

“Don’t worry.

I won’t tell the kids about it.

”

Returning to her desk, she wondered what the big deal was for him to admit that he cared for her.

Hmph!

After he saw the smug look on Arissa’s face, Benjamin let out a sigh before throwing himself back into work.

Suddenly, Arissa’s phone rang.

When she saw that it was an unknown number, she ended the call without answering.

After a while, it rang again, causing her to frown in annoyance.

Who can it be?

Benjamin looked in her direction.

“Why aren’t you picking up?

”

Returning his glance, Arissa went out to answer it.

“Hello, Ms.

York.

”

Arissa was stunned.

“Who are you?

”

“Ms.

York, I’m Ms.

Adams’s lawyer, Leon Landon.

Can we meet?

”

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When Arissa heard who it was, she was filled with a sense of hostility.

“I’m sorry.

I don’t think there’s a need for us to meet.

”

With that, she ended the call.

Why is Danna’s lawyer calling me?

Is she trying to threaten me again?

The next moment, her phone rang again.

Caught by surprise, she ended the call without a second thought.

Taking a deep breath, she suppressed the hatred welling inside her before returning to the office.

Before she sat down, she received a message from Leon.

It read: Hello, Ms.

York, my client would like to speak to you.

Can you meet us outside?

My, my.

How persistent.

They must be crazy if they think I would agree to meet them.

Arisa snorted in response.

She didn't want to have any interaction with Danna, for she wasn't going to back down with regard to the lawsuit.

Consequently, she blacklisted Leon's number.

Sensing something amiss, Benjamin asked, "What happened?"

"

Arisa looked at him.

"I got a call from Danna's lawyer.

"

Benjamin lifted his brows in surprise.

"What for?"

"

"He said that Danna has something to tell me.

" Arisa didn't mind sharing with Benjamin.

“Just ignore her,” Benjamin advised.

Arissa nodded before steadying her emotions and settling back into work.

When Leon failed to contact Arissa, he had no choice but to get back to Danna.

Given that the case was now handled by Benjamin’s legal team, the only way Danna could turn it around was to work on Arissa, which she instructed Leon to do.

In fact, she was confident that her strategy would succeed.

Consequently, Arissa was surprised when Leon came to see her straight.

After buying some pastries in the afternoon to satisfy Benjamin’s craving, a stranger stood in her way when she was leaving the shop.

“Ms.

York!

”

With his briefcase in hand, Leon handed his name card over.

“I’m Leon Landon, can you spare me a few minutes of your time?

”

Upon realizing who he was, Arissa scowled.

“Didn’t I reject your request in the morning?

Why are you still here to see me?

”

“It’s just something that I feel you should know.

Or else, you might regret it.

”

Being professional, Leon added, "If you don't feel comfortable, you can get your lawyer to come.

"

Leon stared at Arissa earnestly, confident that she wouldn't do it.

Arissa furrowed her brows.

"Danna and I have nothing to talk about.

" She couldn't wait for Danna to suffer the punishment she deserved.

"It won't hurt just to listen, right?

Whatever you want to do after that is your choice.

I won't interfere.

"

Arissa scrutinized Leon.

Even though he was sent by Danna, he did have a point.

After all, she wouldn't lose anything just by listening.

With Benjamin's bodyguard nearby, she figured Leon was no threat to her, especially since they were in public.

"Fine.

We'll talk inside.

" Arissa gave him a look.

"Sure.

" Leon ushered her in cordially.

Both of them entered the pastry shop, as it was more convenient to talk inside than on the street.

"I still have to return to work.

Whatever it is you want to say, make it quick.

" Arissa hurried him while putting down her things.

After nodding in acknowledgment, Leon ordered two glasses of lemonade.

Only then did he get right on to business.

"Danna didn't tell me everything.

All she wants me to do is to pass you a message.

"

Arissa knitted her brows.

"What is it?

"

If there really was something to say, why didn't he tell me over the phone?

Instead, he insists on meeting in person.

"She said, 'Arissa, do you remember how many children you gave birth to?

"

Arissa's heart instantly sank as a sense of dread crept into her.

What does Danna mean?

"Is that all?

" Arissa gave Leon an unsettled look.

Leon nodded.

"That's it.

That's what she wanted me to tell you.

I'm not sure what it really means though, since she didn't give me the details.

But based on the information I have, you have five children.

Could it be that you have more than five?

"

Arissa clenched her fists as the words 'more than five' looped in her mind.

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After leaving the pastry shop, Leon's words kept echoing in Arissa's mind.

When she desperately tried to recall the details of her delivery, she felt a chill down her spine.

Before I lost consciousness, did Danna take one or two babies away?

Arissa wasn't certain of what happened back then.

Or is she just saying something like that out of desperation?

Back in the office, she remained in a daze, lost in thought about the matter.

If there is still one or even two children out there, where have Danna taken them?

Arissa shivered at the thought of what Danna was capable of.

Noticing her listlessness, Benjamin was perturbed.

"Arissa," he called out in a deep voice.

However, she never responded until he did so a few more times.

“Huh?

”

When he saw how out of sorts she looked, his frown deepened.

“Come here,” he ordered, maintaining an earnest gaze on her.

Walking over, Arissa still had the pastries she bought in her hand.

“What happened to you?

” Benjamin gave her a piercing look.

Arissa responded, “It’s nothing.

”

Benjamin furrowed his brows.

“In that case, what’s with that look?

Do you need me to show you your face in the mirror?

”

Pursing her lips, Arissa refrained from telling him about it, for she was still uncertain if there was still a child out there.

“Uhh, Mr.

Graham, here’s what you ordered.

”

When she saw the food she was holding, she handed it to him.

“You eat it,” he replied.

Arissa shot him a glare, “Huh?

Aren’t you going to eat it?

”

Benjamin returned his gaze to his documents.

"I'm not hungry.

"

Arissa's lips twitched upon his answer.

Then why did you get me to buy them for you in the first place?

Are you crazy?

Taking back the food, she returned to her desk and began digging in.

Subsequently, Benjamin shot her a glance before heading to his break room.

After closing the door, he strode to the balcony and gave his bodyguard a call, who coincidentally was about to inform Benjamin of the matter.

"Who did Arissa run into just now?

"

"Ms.

York met with a lawyer just now, Mr.

Graham.

"

Benjamin wrinkled his forehead.

"Danna's lawyer?

"

"Yes.

"

The bodyguard reported what he saw.

"They spoke for a few minutes.

”

Benjamin narrowed his gaze.

“Do you know what they were talking about?”

”

“I couldn’t hear them because I was too far away.”

”

After ending the call, Benjamin gave Jonathan a call next.

“I need you to find Danna’s lawyer and question him on what he has told Arissa.”

”

“Arissa met with Leon?”

” Jonathan was shocked.

“Yes, just a moment ago,” Benjamin answered grimly.

His intuition told him that Leon must have threatened Arissa.

Or else, she wouldn’t have looked so shaken.

“I’ll call him right away.”

”

With an icy stare, Benjamin looked far out at the cityscape and waited for Jonathan’s update.

After ending the call with Benjamin, Jonathan called Leon at once.

However, Leon did not pick up.

“Let’s see how long you can avoid me!”

” Jonathan cursed as he continued to make the calls.

Despite trying for a long time, he didn’t manage to get through.

Just when he was about to give up in exasperation, Leon finally answered, "Mr.

Patterson?

"

Jonathan sniggered when he detected the smug tone in Leon's voice.

"Leon, do you have a death wish?

"

"Mr.

Patterson, why are you flaring your temper at me?

Have I offended you in any way?

" Leon asked gleefully.

"Why did you meet with my client?

I'm going to get you for this in court!

Also, did you threaten Arissa?

" Jonathan demanded candidly.

Leon replied with an innocent tone.

"Mr.

Patterson, this must be a misunderstanding.

There's no way I would dare to threaten her.

I simply conveyed a message from my client to her, that's all.

"

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Jonathan snorted, "What's the message?"

You could've gone through me instead of seeing my client behind my back.

"

After warning Leon, he questioned again, "So?"

What did you tell her?"

"

Benjamin is still waiting for my update.

"It was just a short message.

I doubt there's a need for you to be so agitated about it.

Besides, it isn't really related to the case.

"

In response to Leon's refusal to tell him, Jonathan sharpened his tone.

"Leon, let me remind you again, are you really sure you want to make enemies of Benjamin?"

"

Once it was known that Benjamin was the plaintiff, many lawyers avoided the case out of fear.

Regardless of how much the Adams family was willing to pay, no one wanted to take the risk.

Coincidentally, Leon was desperate for money and savored the opportunity to fight Jonathan in court.

Otherwise, he, too, wouldn't have taken the case.

“What in the world did you tell Arissa?

” Jonathan demanded to know.

After mumbling some gibberish, Leon finally revealed what he said.

With no time to chide Leon any further, Jonathan called Benjamin at once.

“Benjamin, Leon’s exact words to Arissa on behalf of Danna were, ‘Arissa, do you remember how many children you gave birth to?’

”

Benjamin knitted his brows upon hearing that.

Didn’t Arissa give birth to five children?

Why is Danna trying to obfuscate the fact?

“Benjamin, could it be that Arissa gave birth to more than five babies?

”

Jonathan’s question startled Benjamin.

Meanwhile, Arissa was stunned when she looked up and didn’t see Benjamin around.

After checking her surroundings, she stared intently at his break room.

Does he really not want the pastries?

If he doesn’t, I’m going to finish them all.

At that moment, Arissa couldn’t help but think about Danna’s words and what her intention was.

Should I meet up with her to clarify?

Wrinkling her forehead, she found it difficult to stay calm.

But if I go and see her, wouldn’t I be falling into her trap?

Just then, Benjamin came out of his room, and he noticed Arissa's expression alternating between anger and frustration.

He walked over to her table and knocked on it.

"What are you thinking about?"

"

When Arissa looked up, they made eye contact with each other.

She averted her gaze by reflex.

"I'm not thinking about anything.

Do you really not want the pastries?"

"

Benjamin stared at her.

"No.

"

After grunting in acknowledgment, Arissa gathered her emotions and continued on with her work.

Nevertheless, she was unable to focus due to the turbulent emotions raging inside her.

When Benjamin returned to his desk, Arissa's phone suddenly rang, jolting the two of them.

Benjamin stared intently at her.

Glancing at her phone, Arissa broke into a smile when she saw that it was Gavin on the line.

A glint flashed across Benjamin's eyes in response.

Arissa answered the call with a gentle voice, "Sweetheart, what is it?"

"

Even though Benjamin recovered his gaze and continued working, his ears were pricked as he tried to listen in on their conversation.

"Mommy, what's for dinner?"

"

Arissa turned to look at Benjamin.

"I'm still not done with work yet and am not sure if I need to stay back.

So why don't you eat with Grandpa first?"

"

"But Mommy, Grandpa wants to eat together with you," Gavin conveyed Darius' words.

Arissa felt awkward as Benjamin had insisted that she finish her work.

She lowered her voice.

"Then, why don't you have a talk with Daddy and see what he thinks of it?"

"

Benjamin raised his brow.

"Mommy, is Daddy stopping you from leaving?"

"

Gavin then snorted, "I'll get the driver to pick you up, Mommy.

You should just ignore him and sneak out.

Worse comes to worst, you can just quit!

The boy exuded a frosty aura, taking after his father.

"Mommy, you haven't spent time with us today.

Are you not planning to have dinner with us too?"

”

Moved, Arissa replied with a smile, “All right.

I’ll be home for dinner.

”

She agreed to her son’s request as she couldn’t bear to disappoint him.

“We’ll be waiting!

” Gavin declared excitedly.

With that, he informed Darius and the rest of his siblings at once.

When Arissa heard the children’s cheer in the background, she broke into an affectionate smile.

After chatting for a while longer, she ended the call and accelerated her pace of work.