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Zachary looked at Serenity, who was also looking at him. He asked her, "Do you want to go to your sister's house to take a look?"

Serenity looked at the time on her phone and said, "Hank won't be back at this time."

She paused and added, "My sister will take care of her own affairs. I'll do my best to help her if she asks for help."

Zachary then stayed silent.

He was texting someone on his phone.

A few minutes later, he suddenly said to her, "You're not in a good mood. Why don't you call it a day? I can accompany you wherever you want to go."

After a brief silence, Serenity said, "I don't have anywhere to go."

Lately, Serenity's mood would worsen drastically at the mention of her sister's marriage.

Serenity and Liberty only had each other for so many years. After Liberty got married, Serenity thought her sister had found a good home and that what awaited her would be a lifetime of happiness. However, the cruel reality was a slap in the face. Liberty's marriage was falling apart whereas Serenity and Zachary were still trying hard to advance their relationship, so Serenity did not know how that would turn out.

Serenity thought, 'Will our lives always be this tough?' "If you're willing to trust me, just come with me and leave the rest to me." Serenity met his dark and deep eyes that were often so cold that

she could not fathom what he was thinking.

However, at that moment, Serenity saw his concern for her in his eyes.

She felt a warmth in her heart.

Serenity nodded. "Okay. I'll pack up now. We can go out for a walk and feel the cool breeze."

Suddenly, she saw Snowball lying under the cash register and asked softly, "What about Mrs. Lane, Snowball, and the kittens? Should we send them home first?"

Zachary reached out to her.

"What do you want?"

"Your car keys."

Serenity took out her car keys and asked, "Can Mrs. Lane drive?"

"Yes."

The workers in the York family were required to be able to drive because the Yorks lived far from the city center. If the workers did not know how to drive, it would not be convenient for them to get to work.

Zachary took the car keys, turned his head, and called out in a deep voice, "Mrs. Lane."

Mrs. Lane, who was hiding in the corner trying not to be the third wheel, heard Zachary and hurried over. "Mr. York."

Zachary handed Serenity's car keys to Mrs. Lane and said, "Serenity and I won't be going home so soon. These are the car keys. You can bring Snowball and the kittens home first."

He took out his bunch of keys and removed a house key. "This is the key to the house."

Mrs. Lane took the keys. "Thanks. I'll take Snowball and the kittens home first."

She thought, 'Mr. York should have let me leave with the pets earlier so I wouldn't have laughed until my stomach hurt.'

Mrs. Lane quickly left with the pets.

Serenity stood beside Zachary and said, "Let me take in the shelves at the door first."

Zachary stood up silently, turned around, and went out to help her bring in the shelves that were outside before keeping them away. "What did you stock up on again?"

Zachary pointed to the result of Elisa's shopping spree and asked Serenity, thinking that those were new stocks for the store. Serenity looked at it and replied, "That's Ms. Stone's haul. She was in a bad mood earlier and bought all those things but didn't have much use for them, so she gave them to me. There are two more big boxes of toys for Sonny. Earlier today, Hank's mother brought Lucas here just to snatch those toys from Sonny."

She only told Zachary about Lucas fighting with Sonny over the . toys and did not explicitly tell him that those toys were also from Elisa.

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When Zachary heard that, he frowned and wanted to say something, but Serenity continued, "Jasmine and I will compensate Elisa in other ways. We won't take advantage of her."

Serenity and Jasmine could not stop Elisa from putting those things at the bookstore. If they did not accept it, they could not imagine Elisa's degree of anger, so they had to accept it first.

When Jasmine and Serenity were tidying up earlier, they had a

good idea of how much those things were worth. In the future, they would find an opportunity to return the favor to Elisa.

"It's not a matter of taking advantage of her. Your store isn't that spacious. You already have so many bookshelves and storage boxes, yet Ms. Stone keeps stuffing things into your store. It's not like you can sell them. Isn't that just taking up unnecessary space?"

Actually, Zachary was just annoyed because he did not occupy any space in his wife's store, and Elisa beat him to it.

Zachary thought Elisa was always monopolizing his wife, so his hatred for her was deeper than his love rival, Shawn Lowe.

It was also because Elisa was a woman, so he could not say, "Serenity, I don't like that you're spending so much time with Elisa. I'll get jealous, so you should cut ties with her." If he dared say such a thing, Serenity would look at him strangely, and he would be embarrassed.

"Our house is spacious. Why don't I move these things home then?"

Zachary was speechless.

He was already upset that Elisa's things were taking up space in Serenity's store, yet Serenity wanted to move these things home?!

"Let's go."

Zachary lowered his head, not wanting to argue with Serenity over something like this. Serenity was a carefree person, and Zachary would often get more frustrated when they had a conflict.

This was something he had experienced before.

When Serenity was angry, she went on a shopping spree and spent tens of thousands of dollars using his card. Besides, she went about her day as usual and was still happy. On the contrary, Zachary got so mad that he went back to his villa. If Grandma May had not found a way for them to get back together, Serenity would still be ignoring Zachary..

"Okay."

Serenity went along with him and no longer continued the topic. They got into Zachary's car together after closing up the shop.

As soon as Serenity got in the car, she saw a child safety seat in the back seat.

Zachary explained, "I send you to work sometimes, and Sonny is too young to sit on his own, so I bought a child safety seat." Serenity listened to his explanation and looked at him quietly. After a long while, she said in a serious tone, "Mr. York, what will you do if I fall in love with you one day?"

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The caring and thoughtful side of this man moved her heart.

Zachary looked at her for a moment before he leaned over, wrapped his arm around her waist, and pulled her to his side. His

handsome face approached her, and his thin lips pressed against her red lips. He then moved his lips from hers and whispered in her ear, "I don't know what will happen because you haven't fallen in love with me yet."

Serenity was speechless.

She raised her hand, pushed his muscular body away, and put on her seatbelt as if nothing had happened. "So where are you taking me to so I can forget my worries?"

Zachary straightened his back. "Since you're in my car, just follow my lead."

"Hmm... why don't we go to the beach to get some fresh air?" Zachary smiled. "Sure." He started the car and asked her, "Did you pay for the bed and wardrobe?"

He did not receive any bank transaction notification, so he figured she spent her own money.

"Yeah. I forgot to bring the card you gave me for household expenses when I went out shopping, so I paid for them. We're married, so there's no need to be so calculative, right?" Zachary pursed his lips. She was clearly the one who was being calculative.

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Serenity said she wanted to go to the beach for some fresh air, so her wish was Zachary's command.

Of course, he could not bring her to the Seaview Villa.

Fortunately, during this season, the beach was not as busy as it was in the summer at this hour. There were only a few tourists scattered around the beach.

The couple walked on the soft sand while the waves crashed onto the shore. The sea breeze messed up Serenity's hair and she was feeling chilly.

Zachary suddenly stopped in his tracks, so Serenity followed suit and asked him, "What's wrong?"

He took off his suit jacket and handed it to Serenity. "It's quite windy today. You should wear my jacket."

Seeing that Serenity did not take the jacket from him, Zachary continued, "Are you gonna put it on yourself, or do you want me to help you?"

Serenity had no choice but to take his jacket and put it on. She asked, "Aren't you cold?" "I am, but I'm more afraid that you'll catch a cold."

Serenity looked at him and laughed, "Mr. York, your answer is different from the ones on TV shows. The male lead will usually say, 'No, I'm not cold. You can wear it.'"

Of course, his answer was honest.

"If I'd known that the sea breeze was so strong and chilly, I wouldn't have requested to come here."

Serenity put on his jacket and instantly felt warm.

She tilted her head to look at him, and he happened to be looking at her. Their eyes met, and he said, "Although I feel cold, I won't shrink up like you. I'm wearing a long-sleeve shirt, anyway. It's definitely warmer than your short-sleeve blouse."

"Well, now that you mention it, I feel less guilty."

Zachary pursed his lips and said, "If you're worried that I'll catch a cold, you can hug me. That way, I can feel your warmth and won't feel cold anymore."

Serenity almost choked on her saliva.

Was he flirting with her?

Seeing that Serenity was silent, Zachary knew she would not hug him, so he continued walking forward.

Within minutes, Serenity caught up to him and returned his suit jacket to him.

Before he could speak, she quickly said, "You're taller than me, so even if I hug you, I won't be able to block the wind for you. Why don't you put on your jacket and hug me instead?"

Zachary's face was cold when Serenity handed his jacket back to him, but after hearing what she said, he quickly took his jacket and put it on. He could not wait to pull her into his arms.

"Let's find a place to sit," he suggested. Serenity had no objections.

Zachary and Serenity were hugging each other while walking slowly. It was considered a breakthrough in their relationship as husband and wife.

They finally found a quiet place and sat on the sand.

As they sat, Serenity leaned against Zachary's chest while he hugged her. She felt warm and cozy. "Mr. York." "Hmm?"

"You usually put on a cold and serious face, but your embrace is warmer than I imagined."

Zachary looked down at her. "Oh? You've imagined me hugging you?"

Serenity was speechless.

Zachary pursed his lips and smiled.

He hugged her a little tighter. "I was going to bring you to the beach for a nice seafood dinner this weekend, but since Liberty is going to talk to Hank about the divorce, I'm guessing you won't be in the mood for a holiday with me here. I'll treat you to a seafood supper later tonight."

"Now that you've mentioned it, I'm hungry. Let's go eat now."

Zachary laughed. "Okay. I'll stay with you tonight no matter what."

Serenity stood up and said with a smile, "Don't make empty promises! Will you strip dance if I ask you to?" Zachary was at a loss for words.

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Serenity laughed.

She suddenly wanted to see Zachary strip dance.

Zachary stood up and flicked her forehead and she winced from the pain.

"I don't even know what's in your head. You're always so unpredictable."

Serenity put it out there again, "Nana always tells me to jump you, strip you, and sleep with you so she can have a great granddaughter. I'm still thinking if I should fulfill Nana's wish."

Zachary flicked her forehead again when he heard this. "Ouch!"

It was painful, so Serenity took revenge by pinching his cheeks. "Serenity."

Zachary grabbed both of her hands and looked serious. Serenity's playfulness vanished abruptly when she met his deep eyes. She said cautiously, "Mr. York, just say what you want to say. Your serious look is scaring me."

"Listen."

"Mhmm, I'm all ears."

"Whether we sleep together or not, it's our privacy, so we should follow our hearts. Don't sleep with me just because someone tells you to."

Zachary did not want their first time to be because of his grandmother's interference.

Just like when they got their marriage license, Zachary told his grandmother that how he treated Serenity was his business, and that his grandmother should no longer interfere in their affairs.

"Oh, you're worried about this?"

Serenity felt relieved instantly. She pulled her hand back from his big palm, turned around, and walked back. She said as she walked, "I'm just kidding. I won't do that just because of what Nana said."

She also felt that romantic relationships should come naturally.

Zachary looked at her back in silence.

He felt like he was right, but at the same time, he was missing something

Zachary missed the chance for her to jump him, strip him naked, and sleep with him.

However... It was still too early for them to sleep together because they were not in love yet.

It was just like how Zachary answered Serenity's question earlier in the car when he said, "...because you haven't fallen in love with me yet."

Zachary could finally see their situation clearly. He hurriedly strode forward and matched her pace. He treated his wife to a seafood feast at a beachfront restaurant for supper.

Serenity asked for two bottles of beer. "I like to order two bottles of beer when I have supper with Jasmine. It's nice to drink beer and eat at the same time."

Zachary was deshellng the shrimps for her and replied, "Beer's the only thing you can drink with your level of alcohol tolerance."

Serenity blushed. "I know I have a low alcohol tolerance, but I can take two bottles of beer. I'll just sleep soundly at most."

“Would you like a drink?” “If I drink, should we stay here for the night?” Serenity stuck out her tongue playfully and thought, ‘Right, he has to drive tonight, so he can’t drink.’

Thus, Zachary peeled the shrimp and debone the fish for Serenity while she ate, drank, and talked about her sister.

Zachary knew that Serenity was still worried about her sister’s future even if he was spending time with her.

Serenity ate most of the food on the table. As a foodie, she had a big appetite, and Zachary finally witnessed it. Zachary thought, ‘At least she has such a hobby. That way, I can use this to win her over. I don’t know what to do if she’s always as invincible as she was when she beat up Noah Hunt and the thugs.’

It was already dark by the time they were done eating and drinking. The couple headed back home. As soon as they got in the car, Serenity leaned against the passenger seat and said to Zachary, “I’m going to take a nap. Wake me up when we get home.”

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Zachary took off his suit jacket and handed it to Serenity. “Wear it and take a nap.”

Since they were no longer at the beach, Serenity accepted and covered her body with the suit jacket before she took a nap.

Zachary turned off the music in the car to not disturb her.

He drove the car in silence while Serenity took a nap. After a while, they arrived at Brynfield.

The bodyguards were wandering in the lobby because their boss was out of their sight all night. After the bodyguards saw Mrs. Lane came back with the missus’ pets, they found out that their boss was taking his wife out on a drive. The bodyguards were anxious, but no one dared contact the boss for fear of disturbing the couple’s privacy. At that moment when the bodyguards saw Zachary’s car, they quickly dispersed as they were afraid that the missus would see them.

Jim ran the fastest and almost dove right into the bushes.

That was because the missus could recognize him.

Zachary pretended not to notice the bodyguards’ reaction. Serenity was plain ignorant. Otherwise, she would have discovered that something was wrong since the bodyguards always hung around the lobby every day. Zachary parked the car, unfastened his seat belt, and called out, “Serenity, we’re home.”

Serenity slept soundly and did not hear him.

It was probably because she had two beers.

Zachary nudged her twice, but Serenity fell to the side and did not show any signs of waking up.

“You fall into such a deep sleep after drinking only two bottles of beer. You’d better drink less in the future.”

Zachary got out of the car, went to the passenger seat, and opened the car door. He leaned in and unfastened Serenity's seat belt before pulling her into his arms to carry her out of the car.

The bodyguards, who dispersed but did not go far, saw this scene and rubbed their eyes in disbelief.

After confirming that what they saw was real, the bodyguards turned around and hurried back to their apartments in the same building to sleep.

It seemed like the boss and his wife were doing great.

Zachary carried Serenity upstairs and rang the doorbell to their house.

Soon after, Mrs. Lane came and opened the door. "Mr. Z-York, what happened to Ms. Hunt?" .

Mrs. Lane almost called him Mr. Zachary again.

"She had two bottles of beer and fell dead asleep."

Zachary carried Serenity into the room.

Mrs. Lane finally understood what happened. She closed the door and locked it. "Mr. York, do you need my help?" Mrs. Lane asked as she walked over.

"Just open the room door for me."

Zachary motioned to Mrs. Lane to help him open the door to Serenity's room.

Mrs. Lane did as she was told.

"Mrs. Lane, you can go back to bed. She won't make a fuss because she'll sleep soundly with alcohol in her system."

Mrs. Lane responded and turned to go back to her room.

Even if the missus made a fuss, the boss would handle it.

Zachary walked to the bed with Serenity in his arms. He put her down gently and helped her take off her shoes. He even pulled the quilt over her before he stood up to leave. Looking at her, Zachary suddenly thought of something when he was about to walk away. He turned around, bent over, and kissed Serenity's lips. After stealing a kiss, Zachary turned around and walked out contentedly. When he reached the door, he stopped again.

Since Serenity was in such a deep slumber, he could take the opportunity to get her copy of the agreement back!

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Zachary acted on his idea. He sneaked around Serenity's room and rummaged through her things like a thief. After searching all the places where Serenity might hide the agreement, Zachary still could not find her copy of the agreement. Where did she put it?



Zachary stood in front of the dresser as he stared at it while trying to recall any corners which he might have left out.

He had rummaged through all the drawers. Finally, his gaze landed on a piece of paper on the table with a golden hairpin drawn on it. He picked up the paper. .

Serenity's drawing was excellent.

Why did she draw" is golden hairpin?

Zachary could not guess Serenity's intention of drawing a golden hairpin. He flipped it over and saw that it was the agreement he was looking for.

Serenity doodled on the reverse side of her agreement.

No wonder he could not find the agreement after he ransacked her room.

Zachary folded Serenity's copy of the agreement and stuffed it into his pants pocket. He then walked to the bed and sat at the edge of it. He stared at Serenity's sleeping face for a while and stretched out his hand to pinch her cheek lightly.

He smiled slyly and said, "Serenity, you're stuck being my wife for the rest of your life!"

If Grandma May was present, she would have slapped him in the face.

Zachary, who said he would never chase after his wife, was now sneaking around Serenity's room.

After Zachary stole Serenity's agreement, he returned to his room happily. He then took out his copy of the agreement, took a lighter, hid in the bathroom, and burned the two copies to ashes, which he flushed down the toilet.

Unless Serenity could turn back time, she would never find that agreement again.

It was midnight when Liberty woke up.

She had not showered yet.

She wanted to coax her son to sleep before she showered, but she did not expect she would doze off.

Liberty got up and went out to check the front door if it was locked. Seeing that it was not double-locked from the inside, Liberty knew that Hank was still out.

"He's not back at this hour, which means he's either pretending to be dead or avoiding me," Liberty muttered.

She did not believe that Hank was unaware of what his mother did.

It might even be Hank's plan.

Hank looked upset when he found out that Liberty was working at Lewis & Co. It was probably because he thought she could not find a job since she had left the workplace for more than three years and was she was obese. However, she managed to join Lewis & Co., which was equivalent to a slap in his face.

Hank was probably the last person who would want Liberty to go

to work.

Hank's mother did not return to Bright Boulevard after she made a fuss that afternoon. Instead, she brought Lucas home.

She was probably afraid that Liberty would settle the score with her after work.

Liberty called her mother-in-law, but her mother-in-law did not dare answer. Thus, she sent a reproachful message to her mother in-law. However, her mother-in-law did not reply and pretended to be dead.

Hank was the same.

Liberty went back to the room and took a shower. After coming out of the bathroom, she picked up her phone and called Hank.

This time, someone answered the phone.

Liberty yelled, "Hank Brown! What time is it now that you're still not back yet?!"

After a moment of silence, the person on the other end of the phone said, "Hank is taking a bath. Why are you calling him? You can leave a message, and I'll relay it to him later."

It was Jessica Yates.

Hank went for business entertainment, and Jessica was his secretary, so she accompanied him.

Since they drank some alcohol and perhaps Hank had been planning it for a long time, Hank hugged Jessica and did not let her go. Jessica played hard to get, but in the end, they fell on the bed together.

Jessica changed her mind after she slept with Hank.

She wanted to publicly challenge Liberty and steal Hank away from Liberty.

Jessica wanted Hank to divorce Liberty so she could marry Hank and become a manager's wife.

Chapter 387 Liberty's mind went blank for a moment.

She did not expect Jessica to answer Hank's phone.

Liberty then took the phone away from her ear and recorded the call.

Zachary's friend helped Liberty to investigate and collect evidence of Hank's adultery. However, the evidence he had could only prove that Hank was emotionally cheating on her because Hank did not sleep with Jessica.

At that moment, the cheating pair was probably together, so Liberty thought of recording the call first.

"Who are you?"

Jessica was smug when Liberty kept silent. Liberty's reaction was just as Jessica had imagined it to be.

After Liberty found out that Hank was cheating, she made a huge fuss. Hank was so annoyed that he wanted to divorce her regardless of his son's custody.

If Liberty did not cry or make trouble, Hank and his family would think that Liberty was looking forward to a divorce and would make her stay instead.

"I'm Hank's secretary, Jessica Yates. Who are you?" Jessica asked knowingly. "Who am I? I'm his wife! Where is Hank? Where are you, and what are you doing?! Get Hank to answer the phone!"

Liberty's volume increased as she spoke, which made her seem angry.

Jessica felt a sense of victory over Liberty's anger.

Jessica did not hang up and said, "I told you, Hank is taking a shower, so he won't come out so soon. Didn't Hank tell you that he has business entertainment tonight? I'm his secretary, so I have to accompany him.

"We drank alcohol, so we can't drive. Hank got us a hotel room and thought we could sober up before going home. I didn't expect you to call in the middle of the night to check on him."

Jessica uttered the latter part of that sentence in a weird tone.

"There are so many chauffeurs, so why didn't you call him one to send him back? Why did you two insist on staying in a hotel? Are you two doing something behind my back?! Are you?!"

"My husband didn't come home after midnight, so why can't I call to check on him? That's my prerogative as his wife! What does it have to do with an outsider like you?!" Liberty shouted on the phone hysterically.

On the other end of the phone, Jessica was calm and had a smile on her face.

"Jessica Yates, are you staying with my husband? What have you both done?!" Liberty roared over the phone.

"Hank is drunk, so I need to take care of him, and staying in the same room will be more convenient. We didn't do anything, Mrs. Brown. Don't think too much. I'm just taking care of Hank on your behalf, so you should be thanking me instead of yelling at me." Liberty felt disgusted when she heard Jessica addressing her as Mrs. Brown.

Sure enough, mistresses were really thick-skinned.

She told herself to just bear with it and listen to the nonsense Jessica was saying.

"I don't need you to take care of my husband. Tell me the address of the hotel right now, and I'll pick him up."

Jessica replied gently, "Mrs. Brown, you still have to take care of your son. It's already midnight. If you come here to pick Hank up, who will help you babysit? Don't worry, I'm right here, so I'll make sure Hank gets proper care. It's very late, so you should go to bed."

Jessica hung up the phone right after. Jessica guessed that Liberty would go berserk at home. After the call was disconnected, Liberty checked the recording to make sure that the call was recorded.

Liberty cursed Hank after she saved the recording.

Beep

Liberty received a new message on WhatsApp.

She opened it and saw that it was from Hank. No, it should be sent by Jessica since she was using Hank's phone. It was the location of the hotel that came with a message typed by Jessica.

(This is the address. Are you free to come over?)

Liberty was furious when she saw it. Jessica could not hold it in anymore and wanted to openly challenge her.

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Liberty knew that she had to take care of her son and could not leave her son home alone at this hour just so she could catch the cheating pair in the act.

Liberty was contemplating if she should call her sister.

Should she disturb her sister at this time?

After hesitating for a while, Liberty felt that it would be beneficial to her to seize this opportunity to capture more evidence of Hank's

adultery.

Thus, she called Serenity.

Serenity slept so soundly after drinking two bottles of beer that she did not know Zachary carried her upstairs.

Liberty called Serenity repeatedly, which forced Serenity to wake up.

Serenity took her phone and answered the call without looking at the caller ID.

"Hello, who is it...?"

"Seren, it's me, Liberty."

"Liberty, what's wrong?"

Serenity, who was gradually regaining her senses, remembered that Liberty was going to bring up divorce to the scumbag Hank and thought they got into a fight again. Serenity's sleepiness instantly disappeared. She suddenly sat up on the bed and asked anxiously, Liberty, what's the matter? Did Hank abuse you again?"

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“He didn’t come home and said he would be back very late because he has business entertainment. It was almost one o’clock in the morning, and he was still not back yet, so I called him. But Jessica Yates answered the call, and the two of them were sleeping together.”

“Do you want to go and catch them in the act?” Serenity immediately

read her sister’s mind. “I need evidence of them cheating. That way, I’ll have the upper hand.”

“Do you know where they are?”

“Jessica is so arrogant that she sent me the location of the hotel. Seren, I’ll go by myself. Can you come to my house and help me babysit Sonny? I’m afraid he’ll cry if he wakes up and doesn’t see me.”

“Liberty, I’ll go with you.”

“No need.”

“There are two of them! If you go alone and if there’s a fight, you’ll be at a disadvantage. You can send me the location of the hotel, and I’ll accompany you. I can fight better than you, so I can beat them up!” Liberty said, “Seren, trust me. I can do it myself. I’ll head out first, so remember to come over to watch Sonny.” She hung up the phone afterward. “Liberty!” Serenity called out to Liberty, but that did not stop Liberty from hanging up. She slid out of bed quickly, put on her shoes, and hurried out of the room.

Serenity moved fast, so she made some noise, which alarmed Zachary who was in his room.

Zachary came out of his room and saw Serenity running out the door.

“Serenity!”

Zachary instinctively shouted to stop her.

Serenity stopped, took a few steps back, and returned to the house.

“Mr. York? You’re not asleep yet? I have an urgent matter and need to go now.”

Serenity wanted to leave right after she said that.

Zachary strode over quickly. “Serenity.” He ran out of the house and pulled Serenity back just as she was about to rush into the elevator. His face was gloomy, and he asked her coldly, “Where are you going in the middle of the night? Can’t you wait until dawn to settle any urgent matters? You had a few drinks, so if you drive now, you’ll be driving under the influence. You’re not allowed to go alone!”

After a pause, he added, “If you must go, I’ll go with you!”

“Hank is with his mistress, and my sister wants to catch them in the act, so she asked me to take care of Sonny while she’s out. I’m worried about my sister, so I have to go and check it out. Mr. York, since you’re awake, please help me wake Mrs. Lane and send her over to take care of Sonny.”

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Serenity removed a key from her bunch of keys and handed it to Zachary while she said, “This is the key to my sister’s house.” Zachary’s dark eyes flickered.. He knew Hank was at a business entertainment.

Since Zachary asked Josh to investigate Hank and collect evidence of Hank's infidelity, the nosy Josh went above and beyond his task and sent someone to follow Hank discreetly.

Therefore, Josh knew what Hank was doing as soon as Hank left his office.

When Zachary was with Serenity in the evening, he took the time to send a message to Josh, telling Josh to look for an opportunity to fuel the flames so Hank and Jessica could make substantial progress. That way, they would have evidence of Hank betraying his marriage. This way, Liberty would get the upper hand from a moral point of view when she filed for divorce.

Now that Hank and Jessica finally slept together, was it a natural course of events or was it the result of Zachary's intervention?

Zachary could not determine which one it was, but the result was the same. "Do you know which hotel they are in?" "My sister won't tell me because she doesn't want me to go."

Serenity was a little helpless. When Liberty needed help, she pushed Serenity away at a critical moment and wanted to face this alone.

"I'll call my friend to check it out for you. He's best at looking into things."

"It's so late..."

"No worries, I'll treat him to dinner another day."

Zachary would just give Josh another day off.

"Serenity, don't leave. Wait for me here, and give me your car keys. I'll wake Mrs. Lane and ask her to babysit Sonny at Liberty's house while I go with you to look for Liberty," Zachary said to Serenity.

When Serenity gave him the car keys, he took them and went back into the house.

He then called Josh while he knocked on Mrs. Lane's room door.

Fortunately, Josh was a night owl who slept and woke up late. He would only arrive early at the office if there was some gossip to catch. Otherwise, he would arrive later than Zachary.

Josh was still wide awake when he received the call from Zachary.

"Where is Hank now?" Zachary asked in a low voice.

"He's at the Grand Hotel under the Stone Group. What's wrong? Is your sister-in-law looking for him?"

"Got it."

Zachary hung up the phone.

Josh was speechless.

Zachary did not even give him a chance to gossip a little.

After waking Mrs. Lane, Zachary briefly explained what happened – and hurried back to his room. He found a black marker and painted the entire left side of his face to make it seem like a birthmark.

He hurried out the door after he painted his face.

Mrs. Lane had already left. Sonny was still young. Mrs. Lane was worried about Sonny and hurried over when she found out that Liberty had to leave the house.

Serenity was waiting for Zachary at the front door.

She was impatient and wanted to leave without Zachary several times, but she did not know where Liberty was at the moment.

When she saw Zachary coming out the door, she urged, "Come on, my sister might be... Why did you draw all over your face?"

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Zachary locked the front door and pulled Serenity out. As he walked, he explained, "My friend found out that your brother-in law is now at Grand Hotel, which is owned by the Stone Group. I work at York Corporation, and the two companies aren't on good terms with each other. I don't want people from the Stone Group to recognize me, so I painted half of my face black. No one will be able to recognize me now."

Serenity glanced at the birthmark that he drew.

Even when they were in a rush, Zachary could think of this detail, which showed how meticulous he was.

No wonder Zachary could be a white-collar executive at York Corporation.

Serenity finally believed Grandma May's praises for Zachary that he was a very attentive man.

Of course, Zachary would only be attentive if he cared about someone.

"Wash it off with soap water when we come back later."

Serenity ran a bookstore that sold stationeries, so she knew how to clean marker stains on the skin. Zachary wanted to say that she could help him clean the marker stain on his face, but he could not bring himself to say it.

He was a little embarrassed.

If Grandma May was there, she would have said, "What's the use of your mouth if you don't dare say anything?!"

Josh would say, "Boss, just say it boldly!"

Serenity, Zachary, and Mrs. Lane were busy going about their way. Meanwhile, Jessica hung up Liberty's call and knocked on the bathroom door.

Jessica went in after Hank opened the door for her.

After a while, the two came out of the bathroom together. Hank carried Jessica, who had a blush on her face. Anyone with a brain would know what they were doing in the bathroom.

Once they lay back down on the big bed, Jessica nestled in Hank's arms, and suddenly said, "Hank, I forgot to tell you that your wife called just now asking you to go home. Since I answered the call, do you think she'll misunderstand our relationship?"

Hearing this, Hank pushed Jessica away. He sat upright, widened his eyes, and said anxiously, "Why didn't you say so earlier?"

Jessica was upset when she saw his reaction and said aggrievedly, "I knocked on the door and went in to tell you about this, but you distracted me... That's why I forgot. Are you afraid that she'll find out?"

Hank's expression eased.

Hank hated Liberty. They did not stay in the same room after the domestic violence incident. Liberty would not let him sleep with her when he had the urge either.

He had desired Jessica for a long time and finally got a taste, so he got a little greedy.

"Darling."

Hank hurriedly hugged Jessica's shoulders and said apologetically, "I'm sorry I reacted poorly just now. I'm not afraid of Liberty finding out. In fact, I'm getting ready to divorce her anytime, but – Sonny is still young. I told you before that my parents will help me with pick-ups and drop-offs when Sonny goes to kindergarten.

Then, I'll divorce Liberty.

"If she finds out now, it'll deviate from my original plan. That's why I was anxious."

Hank was telling the truth.

He did not divorce Liberty right away because he wanted to wait until his son was a little older to be sent to kindergarten. After that, he could abandon Liberty.

"Then you should go back right now and explain to her so she doesn't get the wrong idea about us."

Jessica went back to being gentle and considerate as she urged Hank to go home.

Hank did not care anymore.

He said, "So what if she misunderstands us? I don't need to answer to her."

"What if she finds us?"

"So what? I'm repulsed by her ugly face. I'm a healthy and normal man. Does she want me to be abstinent? Jessica, I love you. You're my true love."

Hank hugged Jessica and comforted her. "Even if she does come over, I'll protect you. Besides, she'll never come here. It's so late, and no one else is home to watch Sonny. She won't leave Sonny home alone."