

Chapter 903 Miserable Situation

Contrasting with his once-vibrant and assertive demeanor, Watkins had undergone a noticeable transformation.

Half of his hair had turned gray, and his face bore the marks of life's trials, all telling tales of the hardships he had endured in Salem.

Presently, Watkins clung to someone's arm as if begging for something.

Liam couldn't help but furrow his brow at the sight. Watkins had been his confidant, and there lingered a sense of appreciation for him in Liam's heart.

Witnessing Watkins humbly beseeching another person left a slightly bitter taste in Liam's mouth.

Without hesitation, Liam approached them, his curiosity piqued by the unfolding scene.

At that moment, Watkins implored the young man before him, his voice heavy with despair.

"My wife is ailing, Aeneas. Could you please lend me some money to cover her medical expenses as a token of our past relationship? I promise to repay you."

The young man was none other than Watkins's former secretary, Aeneas.

Aeneas scowled as Watkins tugged at him, his eyes

brimming with impatience.

Frustrated by Watkins's persistent proximity, Aeneas retrieved his bulging wallet, extracted several bills, and flung them to the ground with disdain. He spat out his words.

"If it weren't for our past acquaintance, do you think you have any right to drag me down the street like this? I might be wealthy, but I'm certainly not foolish! Watkins, you've become a dog unwanted by everyone. If I were to lend you money, how could I ever expect it to be repaid? Get lost!"

With that, Aeneas forcefully shook off Watkins's grasp.

Collapsed on the ground, Watkins stared at the bills before him, his face contorted with bitterness.

It had been him who had paved the way for Aeneas, elevating him to his current position.

Regrettably, the Hoffman family endured a catastrophic setback, which subsequently led to a significant reshuffling within the Kingland Group.

Because of Watkins's unwavering support for Liam during that period, the senior executives at Kingland Group, whom he had deeply trusted, callously suppressed him and even terminated his employment.

Conversely, Aeneas was propelled up the corporate ladder by betraying Watkins and pledging allegiance to those senior executives.

Following his departure from Kingland Group, Watkins embarked on his own entrepreneurial journey.

However, to his dismay, his fledgling company faced

relentless suppression from the Kingland Group, eventually succumbing to bankruptcy.

As a consequence, Watkins found himself sinking deeper into financial hardship.

Had it not been for his wife's urgent medical needs, Watkins would never have resorted to begging Aeneas.

Reflecting on the hardships he had endured in recent years, bitterness welled up within Watkins, his fists clenched in silent determination.

Yet, even in the face of adversity, he held no regrets.

He steadfastly believed that Liam would eventually reemerge, rallying his comrades to reach new heights once more.

However, he had to swallow his pride now.

The light in Watkins's eyes dimmed, the urgency of needing money to cure his wife weighing heavily on him. Reluctantly, he had to yield to Aeneas.

"I beg of you. Please, lend me the money!" he pleaded.

Observing that Watkins was still unwilling to depart, Aeneas's gaze grew stern.

Yet, in the next instant, he had a sudden realization. He said, "Watkins, I can extend a helping hand, but I'm uncertain if you'll make the most of this opportunity."

Upon hearing the possibility of securing another chance to borrow money, Watkins's eyes sparked with hope. He nodded eagerly and vowed, "Rest assured. I'll seize this opportunity with all my might!"

Seeing Watkins's swift agreement, Aeneas donned a sly smile.

"I've heard that your former boss, Liam, has returned to Salem. Now, I'm not suggesting you borrow money from Liam. After all, he's destitute now." With a smirk on his face, he added, "Though Liam may not offer any financial support, if you can make him kneel and kowtow at the Kingland Group's gate to seek Benedict's favor, I'll provide the funds for your wife's treatment."

Aeneas was well aware of the strong animosity that the branch of the Hoffman family in charge of Kingland Group harbored toward Liam.

Simultaneously, he recognized the close relationship between Watkins and Liam. Watkins had remained loyal to Liam. If Watkins could ask Liam to do that using the excuse of his financial incapability of curing his wife, Liam would have no choice but to agree.

The mere thought stirred Aeneas's imagination about the success that could await him through this plan.