

After Divorce 861

Chapter 861 Daddy Is Lying

Soon, Lucian stopped his car in front of James' psychiatric clinic. As Lucian had made the call while he was on the way, James was already waiting at the door.

After getting out of the car, Lucian walked over to the other side to carry Estella, who was still crying. Upon seeing his outstretched hands, she dodged to the side.

"Let me do it," James offered as he stepped forward. He reached out to Estella and said gently, "Essie, good girl. Let me carry you."

Estella shook her head and choked out, "I want Ms. Jarvis..."

James couldn't help but frown in confusion and glance at Lucian.

Lucian had mentioned that Estella wouldn't stop crying on the phone earlier, but he did not get the chance to explain what had happened in detail.

Meeting James' eyes, Lucian furrowed his brows and said, "Let's talk inside."

the girl again. "Ms. Jarvis will be here soon. Come with me first and

stared at James doubtfully for quite

gave nothing away. After all, he

his expression, Estella finally stretched her arms toward him and allowed him to carry her out of the car.

them, she whimpered and hid her face in James' chest. It was clear that she did not want to

he saw his daughter's attitude toward him. Nevertheless, he stayed quiet and followed

as he looked at the little girl in his

behavior before, but this was the first time she had

in the

sat down while holding Estella and signaled Lucian to

had toned down to a mild and

James turned his gaze to Lucian. "So,

his temples. With a deep voice, he began, "It's because of me. She's been wanting to tell me something since last night, but I didn't communicate with her

again, Lucian tried his best not

Chapter 862 Do You Like Her A Lot

"Is that true?" James looked down at the girl in his arms. Estella shook her head vigorously.

Obviously, what Lucian had just mentioned were not the real reasons—or at least not the only reasons—that Estella was crying so badly.

James turned his attention back to Lucian with a helpless expression. “If you’re going to be so secretive, then I won’t be able to help you.”

Lucian was a bit bewildered to hear that. It was not that he was being secretive; those were really the only possible explanations he could think of.

However, since James had put it that way, it must mean that he was missing out on something. At that realization, Lucian started thinking hard.

Estella stayed in James’ arms with the back of her head facing Lucian. It was as if every cell in her body was resisting her father.

Suddenly, Lucian remembered that Estella seemed to have started crying after he said something during their call.

What did I say back then?

down at Estella and asked, “Essie, what did

one who had been

trusted him more

“Daddy doesn’t keep his promises!

shot Lucian a glare

up and

autism. As expected, her two recent episodes were all

words, Lucian finally recalled what he had said on the phone. He

at Roxanne at that time that

Estella remained silent.

you

a fit of anger at that time. I said that Roxanne might not be

agitated by something, she would even scream from time

their hearts

knew the reason now, James urged Lucian, “I got it. You

If he continued

Chapter 863 Agitate Her

Estella pursed her lips and fell silent for a long moment before slowly shaking her head. I still like Daddy, but...

“Daddy lied. Daddy is a bad person.” A smile finally broke out on James’ face. “You’re angry with your daddy, but your daddy is angry with Ms. Jarvis.”

Estella immediately shook her head. “Daddy cannot be angry with Ms. Jarvis.” James was astonished.

He knew Estella was exceedingly fond of Roxanne, but he did not realize it was to this extent. Lucian must be exasperated.

Seeing that Estella was going to lose her cool again, James uttered hastily, “I’ll punish him for you. He knows he’s in the wrong too.”

Estella calmed down, but she remained sullen. “I want Ms. Jarvis as my mommy. I don’t want anyone else!”

James glanced at the door. He could only agree on Lucian’s behalf. “Okay. Only Ms. Jarvis.”

Estella finally quieted down and lay on James’ shoulder, sniffing occasionally.

and gently touched her eyes. “Do

noded between

only did she feel awful, but

patted Estella’s hair and comforted her, “How about

she nodded obediently in

her under hypnosis,

did not go far, so he had heard their

no longer heard Estella’s voice after a while, he entered

couch when he

the room, he shot him a look, and they

she?”

before she wakes up.

Lucian nodded.

Lucian and himself before sitting on

Chapter 864 I Watched Essie Grow Up

Lucian felt slightly helpless when he heard James’ words. When did I try to oppose Essie? All this while, he had been trying to get Roxanne back.

However, Roxanne had not been moved by his actions. She even got close to another man. How could he stand that?

Did he not have the right to get angry? James stared at him with a grim expression. "Based on my observations, Ms. Jarvis is a good candidate to be Essie's mother. She takes good care of Essie. The only shortcoming is that she has two other children." He took a sip of his coffee. With a meaningful look, he probed, "You wouldn't care about those two children's existence given your personality, would you?"

Lucian pursed his lips. "You should know this is not something I can decide."

In other words, he was telling James it was not him who could not accept the two children. It was Roxanne who wouldn't accept him.

Surprise flashed across James' eyes. He did not expect Lucian to encounter this kind of situation, given the latter's qualifications.

smile when he saw Lucian's frustrated

"Even if that's the case, I can see that Ms. Jarvis likes Essie a lot. No matter what happens between you two, I would advise you not to prevent Essie from meeting Ms. Jarvis. I've already told you that spending time with Ms.

many calls and messages he had ignored from Roxanne on the way here and

her, saying that Ms. Jarvis would arrive soon. She'll undoubtedly have another tantrum if she wakes up and doesn't see Ms. Jarvis. Her trust in me will

Lucian's expression gradually darkened.

a while ago, but now

comfort

replied in a deep voice, "I'll

that as he was

come here? Why does he have to make it

to explain. Instead, he said, "I'll go

because he could still comfort Estella if she woke

Chapter 865 Demanding To See You

James was the driver, while Lucian sat at the back of the car with Estella. Suddenly, Estella scrunched up her face and muttered something under her breath.

Lucian creased his brows and leaned closer to Estella to hear what she was saying. "Mommy..." Estella mumbled. As she spoke, she even grabbed onto Lucian's clothes.

Although she was still sleeping, Lucian could see that she had grown attached to Roxanne.

His gaze darkened as he thought about the woman. James had also heard Estella, and he cast a complicated glance at the rearview mirror. Through the rearview mirror, he saw Lucian's grim expression and sighed soundlessly.

"Essie needs a mother. Until you meet a woman you like, you shouldn't prevent Essie from seeing Ms. Jarvis regardless of your opinion of her."

After a long moment, Lucian replied in a deep voice, "I'll take note of that."

he knew it would be pointless to continue since he did not know

had been waiting outside the Farwell residence for quite some time, as Lucian did not reply to

I'll contact you when Mr. Farwell returns," Catalina advised her upon

Roxanne's eyes glimmered. "I..."

longer. I was already late just now. This time, what if they come back

as important as Archie and Benny to her even though she had only known

dependent Estella was on her that made her want to reciprocate the same feelings

you. Mr. Farwell might have brought her to see you. You can go home and take

lit up, and she nodded gratefully at Catalina. "Thank you. I'll

she quickly turned

with their laptops when she got home. Archie was researching the stock market, whereas

put down their laptops and ran to her when they saw that

Chapter 866 Why Does It Matter

"Mommy, why did you come back by yourself? Where's Mr. Damaris?"

Although they did not like Jack, they brought him up to distract Roxanne.

Roxanne shook her head. "Something cropped up, so I returned first."

Hearing that, Archie and Benny heaved sighs of relief. However, they could not help but worry when they looked at Roxanne's expression.

Roxanne was worried about Estella, so she was not in the mood to chat. She said to Archie and Benny, "I'm sorry. I feel slightly unwell. I won't be able to bring you guys out to play."

Before she left in the morning, she had promised to bring them out after she returned.

If I had reached the Farwell residence earlier, I might have been able to bring the three of them out together...

Roxanne was filled with remorse.

Archie and Benny could feel the sadness in Roxanne's tone. They smiled and said, "It's okay. We only said that because we didn't want you to leave with Mr. Damaris in the morning. Mommy, if you're feeling unwell, you should come in and rest."

As soon as they said that, they wanted to support her to the couch so she could sit down.

However, Roxanne stood still.

She had only returned home to check if Lucian had brought Estella to her place.

Since there was no sight of Estella, she did not know if she should stay or head back to the Farwell residence and wait.

Archie and Benny noticed Roxanne's hesitation and shared a look. They moved forward and grabbed one of Roxanne's arms each.

Roxanne let them lead her to the couch since she didn't want to turn down their good intentions.

Archie poured a glass of water and handed it to her. "Mommy, have some water."

looked at the glass of water and smiled absent-mindedly. "Thank

and lowered her gaze. All she could think about was

was wailing so miserably just

had thought Roxanne would explain the situation to them after

a considerable amount

asked, "Mommy, did something happen? You can tell us if anything happens. Although we're still young, we can still

melted, and she glanced at

off and could not

know

anxiously, "Mommy,

as mixed feelings surged within her

so upset because she could not make it in time. Now,

to her, she had viewed Estella as

dawned on her, she

must have thought of me as her mother. Yet, I hurt her. Why does it matter if I act as her mother before her birth mother returns? At least she won't be this upset, and

Mommy Loves You

is it because of Essie?"

thought had suddenly occurred to him because the first thing Roxanne had asked when she expression changed immediately when she heard her son guess perceptive! He guessed the reason in wrong with Essie?" Benny

concerned about Estella when they saw the look on Roxanne's face. However, they also knew that if they revealed how

their best to hide away the worry and anxiety bubbling in their the question that had been bothering her, "Would you be angry boys exchanged looks and, without hesitation, shook their heads in unison. at them

held out their hands. They pinched their thumbs and angry with you, Mommy! We will melted when she took in the sincere expressions on and whispered comfortingly into her ear, "Essie must feel the same

Chapter 867 Mommy Loves You Forever

"Mommy, is it because of Essie?" Archie asked.

The thought had suddenly occurred to him because the first thing Roxanne had asked when she arrived home earlier was whether Estella had been there.

Roxanne's expression changed immediately when she heard her son guess correctly.

Archie is so perceptive! He guessed the reason in an instant!

"What's wrong with Essie?" Benny asked in a puzzled tone.

The boys grew concerned about Estella when they saw the look on Roxanne's face. However, they also knew that if they revealed how worried they were, Roxanne would only become sadder.

So, the boys tried their best to hide away the worry and anxiety bubbling in their chests.

Roxanne hesitated a little. In the end, she asked the question that had been bothering her, "Would you be angry with me if you wanted to see me, but I didn't show up in time?"

and, without hesitation, shook their heads

looked at

sheepishly and held out their hands.

with you, Mommy! We will forgive you as long as

in the sincere expressions on the
around Roxanne and whispered comfortingly into her ear, "Essie
lightly, but still, she could not
the situation with the boys
still recall the way Estella had been when she
improve. If
mother and asked
her face. "Essie cried and cried, but
crinkling their faces in concern as they
must have cried up a storm! I wonder how Essie
were wrecked with worries, they still put on smiles as they comforted Roxanne, "Even in such a
situation, we'll still forgive you, Mommy!
Roxanne was touched.

Chapter 868 Fretted

"Ms. Jarvis."

Jack stood at the door with his assistant in tow. His brows twitched when he saw the expression on Roxanne's face. "Did I come at the wrong time?"

Roxanne swallowed her disappointment and plastered a smile on her face. "No, no, I've just got home."

Jack nodded lightly at her reply. His eyes swept past her and landed on the two boys.

"Hello, Mr. Damaris," the boys greeted him politely as he surveyed them.

Jack nodded at them in acknowledgment before turning back to Roxanne. "The children are looking much better."

Roxanne was surprised and confused by Jack's remark. After a while, she recalled that the two boys had pretended to be sick earlier that morning.

She was so preoccupied with her worries about Estella that she had momentarily forgotten about that.

Now that Jack had reminded her of it, Roxanne glanced at her sons.

you for your concern, Mr. Damaris. We've taken some

Damaris?" Roxanne asked, guiltily

then turned and angled his head toward his car parked in the distance. "The medicine that you

nodded and followed him

Herbscape Group was immediately seized and taken over. If we had been one step too late, we wouldn't be able to secure

smile. Her thoughts

because of this medicine that she did not manage to

clouded over Roxanne's eyes. She slowed down her inspection of the

behavior and raised

had personally brought the medicine to Roxanne because he was curious

he had thought that it was

her, he did not think that

good. Thanks for the trouble, Mr. Damaris." Roxanne

affect your research," Jack replied calmly, pulling his

over to the two boys standing

that the two boys had

Chapter 869 Still Mad At Her

"Do you want me to keep this medicine for you?"

Jack didn't take those kids seriously. Instead, he turned around and threw the question at Roxanne.

Roxanne frowned as she pondered it for a while. "It's better to send it to the research institute. There's no point in keeping this with me."

"Then I will need you to come with us," Jack said.

Hearing that, Archie and Benny tensed up. The grips on the hem of Roxanne's dress tightened.

Just when she was about to agree to his request, she noticed the boys' unusual reaction. She glanced at them with concern.

The boys looked at their mother. "Mommy, aren't you unwell?"

It was only after the boys contemplated for some time that they finally came up with those words.

Roxanne's expression changed slightly. Her eyes grew gloomy as she thought of Estella.

well. I'll just tell the staff over there," Jack

head with a smile on her face. "It's better for me to

an eyebrow imperceptibly and decided

they heard that

said that she didn't have to go there. Why does Mommy insist

something to say to you.” Jack got into the car
nodded gratefully. After that, she returned to the entrance of the mansion with
again?” Benny tugged at the hem of Roxanne’s
“I’m going to the research institute and will be
what if Essie and Mr. Farwell come here
Roxanne
she was
upset if she doesn’t see you when
will be mad
kids were more
easy to please. As for
know what to
she felt that the chances Lucian would bring Estella over

Chapter 870 Why Are You Doing This

Meanwhile, a black Bentley across the road not far from Roxanne’s house slowly drove over.

When James caught a glimpse of the familiar figure, he snapped his head to Lucian and uttered, “That seems to be Dr. Jarvis. Is she going out?”

Lucian furrowed his brows and looked toward Roxanne’s house, only to see the woman getting inside a car.

The moment the car door was opened, the man, who was sitting inside, was revealed. At a glance, Lucian could tell that it was Jack.

Why did she even call me when she was there being with another man?

A grim look spread across Lucian’s face.

He had thought that Roxanne had realized her mistake.

James didn’t notice the change in his mood, and he wasn’t aware of the entanglement between them.

car. Feeling puzzled, he asked, “Is the man inside the car Ms. Jarvis’ business partner? We better hurry over. It looks

himself to accelerate

a U-turn and go back.” Lucian’s cold voice

that there seemed to be an unusual relationship between that man and Roxanne, James had

arms, unaware of what

seemed that she wasn't feeling comfortable as she turned

in his arms. His

sound made by Estella, his hand on the steering wheel stopped moving. Instead of making a U-turn, he slowed down the car and continued driving toward

doing?" Lucian

that you won't stop Essie from seeing Ms. Jarvis," replied James

Lucian's brows drew together.

hadn't seen that scene earlier, he naturally wouldn't want

she doesn't treat Essie sincerely, what's the point of letting Essie see

away, James suggested in a deep voice, "They're going to leave. Just give Ms.