

# The Promise of Happiness

## Chapter 39

Natalie let Ross go, completely unaware that Natasha had seen the entire scene unfold.

“How should I address you?” Ross asked with his brows furrowed, as though he found it hard to even ask that question.

“Since we’re out of the office, I’ll address you as Ross, and you can call me Natalie.” Natalie was used to her carefree lifestyle, which she had adopted since she was young. She was definitely not used to becoming the center of everyone’s attention, more so to be addressed as the Chairman.

“N-Natalie?”

“Yeah.”

Observing the awkward expression Ross put on as he tried to force her name out of his lips, Xavian burst into laughter. “My Mommy doesn’t bite! You don’t need to be afraid of her!”

“You are..?”

Natalie bent down and ruffled the young child’s head and said, “This is my youngest son, Xavian Nichols.”

“Youngest son?”

“Yes. He has an older brother.”

Ross carefully observed Natalie and Xavian. He was once again startled by this young

woman.

She was only in her mid-twenties and had already given birth to a set of twins. Furthermore, she had single-handedly built the Dream Company. There was so much more to Natalie than what met the eye.

“What about their father?”

“Their biological father had gotten himself into trouble with the law and disappeared. I’m guessing that he found his final resting place in the countryside

somewhere.”

“I’m sorry, I didn’t mean to,” Ross instantly apologized.

“It’s all right.” Xavian smiled up at Ross and tugged the end of his shirt. “My brother and I are working really hard to find a new partner for my Mommy. We’ve already found someone, but my Mommy is too stubborn to say yes.”

“Please help my brother and me to convince her so that we can finally have a step dad!” Xavian said with a firm expression.

However, what came after his request was a strong flick to the forehead by his mother.

“Ouch! Mommy, aren’t you afraid of hurting me?”

“Are you still going to speak nonsense?”

"I won't anymore." Xavian shook his head and frowned.

The three of them then left the market and headed to a nearby restaurant.

Ross, who was clean-shaven and clad in a suit, led the way toward their destination with Xavian walking next to him. The two of them looked like a father bringing his adorable son out for a trip.

As the duo caught the attention of the people around them, the passersby craned their necks to look for the mother. They were expecting to see a beautiful woman that could fit into the picture of the perfect family.

However, their expectations were shattered the moment they saw Natalie, who had freckles all over her face.

She was... too ugly!

Once the three of them entered the restaurant and found their seats, Ross and Xavian immediately opened the menus. Both of them were very considerate of Natalie and were the epitome of gentlemen.

The heartwarming scene caused every waitress in the restaurant to be filled with jealousy.

"How is it possible that an ugly lady like her managed to snag a handsome man and give birth to an equally good-looking child?"

"She must have done something amazing in her past life to deserve this!"

"Exactly! Have you seen how well her husband is treating her?"

Steven was walking out of a private room with the intention of smoking when he overheard the waitresses' gossip.

Unable to suppress his curiosity, Steven glanced over to the table and instantly found Natalie having a lovely dinner with another man.

Unbelievable!

Steven was already well aware that Natalie's capabilities were well above average, but he did not know that this freckled woman was this capable.

Not only did she manage to tame the two children from the Bowers family, but she was also able to snag such a handsome young man for herself.

One really could not judge a book by its cover.

It really did not matter if a woman was pretty or not, as long as she was capable

Steven soon lost his earlier desire to have a smoke. He turned around and returned to the room.

There were two other people in the said room. One of them was Samuel, and the other was Yohan Kennedy, a close friend of the two brothers.

Noticing how Steven had entered the room not even a few minutes after he left for a smoke, Yohan couldn't help but tease him. "Are you that fast?"

Steven paid no attention to Yohan and instead sat down next to Samuel. "Sam, guess who I saw just now?"

Samuel pursed his lips into a thin line and said nothing.

Even after getting ignored by his brother, Steven did not let it get to him, for he continued describing vividly what he saw. "Sam, I saw Natalie and her boyfriend."

"Her boyfriend is pretty good-looking, I'll admit, but not as handsome as we are. He's probably as good-looking as Yohan."