

Happiness 171

The Promise of Happiness

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Xavian asked in fear, "Mommy, do you know who tried to hurt you?"

"The person who drugged and threw me into the river was just a minion. In my drugged state, I heard him call his employer 'Madam. The culprit who hired him is most likely a woman who is in her thirties,'" Natalie recalled.

She unstrapped the carry-on bag that was tied to her calf and continued, "Fortunately, I always carry around these pills that can detoxify poison quickly. I managed to swallow them before I lost consciousness. Otherwise, I would have really died in the river."

All of a sudden, Xavian seemed to have remembered something.

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He hit his head hard with his fist and exclaimed, "Silly me! I was so happy that you returned home safe that I forgot to do something important!"

Natalie asked, "What is it?"

Xavian picked up his phone and dialed a number as he answered, "Mommy, now that you have returned home, I need to let Mr. Bowers know that you're safe. Mr. Bowers was so worried when he found out you went missing. He dispatched all the yachts from the Bowers family to look for you at the river..."

Before Xavian could finish speaking, Natalie took the phone away from him and said, "You can't call him now, Xavian."

Confused, Xavian asked, "But why not, Mommy? Mr. Bowers did not get any rest these days as he was busy looking for you. If he didn't know you came back safely, he wouldn't stop looking for you!"

Natalie was stunned when she heard Xavian's words.

The night she fell into the river and was rescued by a fishing boat, she slept for a long time because of the medicine's side effects.

She had no idea that Samuel had dispatched all the yachts of the Bowers family to search for her. Neither did she know that he was so persistent in looking for her.

"Xavian, my hyper-realistic mask has fallen off because I've been in the water for too

long. I don't know where it went, so I need time to get a new one. I can't tell anyone who I am yet, including Mr. Bowers," Natalie pinched Xavian's cheek and explained.

Samuel's domineering but gentle attitude had moved Natalie and earned her trust.

However, she remained clear-headed.

Until I have exacted my revenge, I cannot let anyone know who I am.

Xavian fell into deep thoughts. He had witnessed how hard Samuel tried to look for Natalie, but at the same time, he was fully aware that his mother had been living in hate all these years. She had given up a lot in order to gain revenge for herself and for Jennie.

After moments of hesitation, Xavian chose to listen to Natalie.

"Then I will let Mr. Bowers know that you're safe as soon as you received the mask," he said.

Natalie agreed, "Okay."

The mask should

only take three or four days to arrive. Samuel is a big, strong man. He'll be able to wait a few more days, can't he?

After the conversation with Xavian, Natalie, who was not able to properly bathe herself during the days she was missing, went to take a bath.

Still thinking about Samuel, Xavian gave him a call when Natalie was in the bathroom

"It's me, Mr. Bowers," he greeted as soon as Samuel answered the call.

Samuel's voice sounded desperate and hoarse. "I'm sorry, Xavian. I still can't find her. But I promise you, I won't give up until I find her."

All of a sudden, Xavian almost teared up. *I've found myself a good stepfather.*

He was not allowed to tell the truth, but he could not bear to see Samuel in such a state. "Mr. Bowers, you should take care. I'm sure Mommy is still alive somewhere! I think she just can't contact us for some reason."

Samuel smiled upon hearing Xavian's words. "That's exactly what I want to hear."

He went on, "Thank you. You take care, too. Leave everything to me. I promise you that I'll find her."

After ending the call, Samuel turned to gaze at the river. Suddenly, he started coughing violently.

His face was

pale and he was obviously unwell. However, he did not stop looking for his beloved woman.