

Kendall sacrifice 51

Chapter 51 My Heart Aches for You

☒ Jackson's mood lifted because Kelly was still caring about him. "Yeah, don't worry about it. Nobody can see me naked. Nobody but you."

☒ "I'm going in now, Jackson. I'll call you later." She hung up before he could say anything. Can't let Mom hear that. She then took her car keys and went inside hurriedly.

☒ "Miss Kelly, welcome home." The maid was coming downstairs, holding a glass of milk.

☒ "Is Mom upstairs? She didn't drink her milk?"

☒ The servant answered, "The madam is upset for some reason. She wouldn't drink this."

☒ "Do you know why she's upset? Is this about Kendall?" Kelly wanted to know why Charlotte wanted her to come home all of a sudden.

☒ The maid shook her head. She had no idea either.

☒ Since she could not get any answers, she said, "You should get some rest. Give me the milk."

☒ The maid gave Kelly the milk. Charlotte had a mild case of insomnia, and she would have a glass of milk every night to help her sleep. Kelly held the glass of milk and came to Charlotte's room, then knocked on the door. "Mom? It's me, Kelly."

☒ "What is it?"

☒ "Mom, you wanted me to come home, remember?"

☒ A moment of silence later, Charlotte said, "It's alright now."

☒ Kelly clenched the glass tightly. And I thought something urgent came up. I came all the way back right after she told me to, and now she says it's alright? "You haven't had your milk yet, Mom. You should drink up." Kelly was upset, but she hid it well. She kept the patient daughter act going and said, "You need a glass of milk to sleep better."

☒ "I don't want to. I'm really upset, Kelly. Go away and don't disturb me."

☒ "You can tell me what's troubling you, Mom."

☒ Charlotte said nothing. A few minutes later, Kelly called out to her again, but Charlotte ignored her. In the end, she turned around and went back downstairs.

☒ Adam came back in a hurry a moment later.

☒ "Dad." Kelly stood up, still holding her phone. She just texted Jackson and knew that he had changed into new clothes, cleaned his wounds, and gotten his injections. She felt better knowing that.

☒ "Where's your mother, Kelly?"

☒ "She's in her room. I knocked on her door, but she wouldn't come out. She didn't even drink her milk. Did you cheat on her or something, Dad?"

☒ Adam smiled sheepishly. “No. I’ll see your mother now.” He went upstairs quickly.

☒ Kelly thought that her father must have cheated on Charlotte. Does Dad have a mistress out there somewhere? Did he sire another kid? She was curious and worried. Kendall’s already taking a cut from the inheritance. If another kid comes into the equation, they won’t give much to me.

☒ Her curiosity egged her on, and she went upstairs quietly. Kelly came to her parents’ room and listened to the conversation within. She could hear sounds of arguments, and her mother seemed to be crying. Kelly could not hear the content no matter how much she tried though, so she went back to her room.

☒ Adam sat beside his wife, holding a packet of tissues. He kept pulling tissues out to wipe Charlotte’s tears away. The man whispered, “I didn’t mean to hide this from you, honey. Dylan said I can’t tell you about it.”

☒ “You guys kept this a secret from me? Kendall, my poor girl. She’s not going to have any sex life now.” The fact that her only daughter was married to a crippled, impotent, and evil man like Dylan crushed her heart. “She just came back to us for a year. We haven’t even made it up to her yet, and now she’s married to... to him. It’s all your fault, Adam. If you refused the Colemans’ request, Kendall wouldn’t have gone to see Dylan. None of this would have happened then!” Charlotte yelled at Adam as she cried her heart out.

☒ Adam held her shoulders. “Yes, yes, yes. It’s all my fault. Now calm down. Kendall isn’t a pushover. She must have married Dylan willingly.” A pause later, he said, “Don’t you realize she has been a bit different ever since that time?”

☒ Charlotte stopped crying for a moment. “What are you talking about? She’s our daughter.”

☒ “I’m not saying anything. I’m just saying that she’s an opinionated woman. We don’t know her that well even though it has been a year. She must have her reasons for doing this. Don’t get too upset, honey. As long as she did it willingly, all we can do is pray for her and wish for her happiness. Dylan has a chance to heal, and once he does, maybe his impotence will heal too.”

☒ Charlotte shoved him away. “I know you’re happy this marriage happened. You got yourself a powerful ally out of it, but think for our daughter, will you? The Colemans are powerful, while Kendall grew up in a village. She’s not the scheming type. How on earth can she even find a footing in a family that’s so precarious?” If the women in that family attacked her, it’d be fatal.

☒ “Dylan’s there. As long as he’s there, nobody will do anything to Kendall.”

☒ Charlotte glared at him. “If Dylan’s not crippled and impotent, he’d be a great man to marry, but...”

☒ “Alright, stop glaring at me. You can ask Kendall why she did it when she comes home. I bet you she agreed to it. You didn’t tell Kelly, right? Dylan doesn’t want anyone to know, so we have to keep this a secret too.”

☒ Charlotte felt her heart getting torn to pieces again. It’s not enough that my daughter married an evil man, but he wants to keep the marriage a secret too! When Kendall comes back, I’ll grill her for answers. If Dylan forced her into this, I’ll make him free her even if it kills me.

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☒ It was three in the morning, and Dylan was woken up again by that luscious dream. This time, he was sweating too. He stared at the ceiling. In that dream, he was having sex with a woman, but he had no idea who she was. The mystery was frustrating him. A long while later, he wanted to get up, but then he realized someone was holding him. Kendall. Wow, she still won't let me go even when she's asleep? How shameless. Frustrated, he pulled her hand away and tried to kick her out of the bed, but raising his leg was difficult enough, so he gave up. He glared at her for a long while before he slowly sat up.

☒ Just when he was about to get off the bed, Kendall suddenly called out to him, "Dylan..." He turned around.

Chapter 52 A Wild Challenger Appears

☒ Kendall did not even open her eyes, but she was still muttering his name. Hm, she's dreaming, I guess. She's dreaming about me? The look on her face changed into the expression of agony a moment later. She flailed her arms in the air, calling out in pain, "Baby. My baby..."

☒ Baby? Dylan frowned. Who is this baby? He noticed her shedding a tear, and it annoyed him. Dylan pushed her. "Hey, Kendall."

☒ Kendall woke up from the push. When she saw Dylan before her, she fell into a trance for a long time. Eventually, she snapped out of it. Oh, I was dreaming. She had dreamt of her past life—the moment her baby died, and how helpless she was.

☒ "Had a nightmare?"

☒ She sat up and wiped her tears away. Kendall admitted, "I did." She asked, "What? I can't have a nightmare now?"

☒ He looked at her in silence. She eventually felt nervous, so she tried to liven things up, but he suddenly knocked her on her head. "Hey, quit knocking me! You didn't even tell me this time!" Annoyed, she pounced at him. He was caught off guard, and he fell backward. She was on top of him, and they almost fell from the bed. Still, she still knocked on his head a few times as payback.

☒ Petty.

☒ "What's with you and flicking or knocking on my head? I used to be smart until you did all these things to my head." She got up after getting back at him, but then she felt guilty seeing him lying on the ground just like that. She helped him up, muttering, "Don't blame me for this. You started it first. You could have just told me what you wanted to know and not resort to violence. Oh, and shoot straight. No metaphors too. I'm an idiot. My comprehension skills are basically nonexistent."

☒ "Who's this 'baby'? You mumbled that name in your sleep."

☒ "Oh, she was my daughter."

☒ Huh? "You have a daughter?" None of the data shows this.

☒ “I had her in my dream, but someone took her away right after I gave birth to her. I screamed and cried as I tried to take her back, but you woke me up before I could take my kid back,” she lied as naturally as she breathed.

☒ Dylan heaved a sigh of relief. And I thought I was gonna be a father. “Get back to sleep. I’ll be in my study,” he answered and left.

☒ Kendall wanted to push him out, but she stopped the moment he said he was going to his study. Amos had told her about the rules before. Dylan’s study was a forbidden zone. Not everyone had the privilege to enter it.

☒ Dylan pushed himself into the elevator and went to the study on the second floor without asking the bodyguard for help. As usual, he sat behind his desk and took out the faceless portrait. Dylan spent a long time looking at it before tucking it away. He then turned his computer on and drafted a plan for Kendall. She wants to be a businesswoman and protect Parker Corporation, but she has no plan of attack. She does this at random. He could not stand that.

☒ A long, long time later, the darkest moment had finally passed. It was about five in the morning, and dawn had broken through. Dawn came early in this season. After he came up with the plan for Kendall, Dylan looked at the time and picked his phone up to call Toddy.

☒ “Sir?” Toddy was still asleep when Dylan called him. He woke up and yawned as he asked, “What do you need, sir?” It’s an ungodly hour.

☒ “Toddy, I want you to look into Kendall and Jackson’s relationship. I want all the details.”

☒ “Um, okay.”

☒ “Alright, that’s all. Get back to sleep.”

☒ He hung up, but Toddy could not sleep anymore. He was curious, but he would not ask anything. Dylan would not say a word even if he did. Nobody could force him to say anything unless he wanted to talk about it himself.

☒ Kendall found it hard to get back to sleep after she had a nightmare and was woken up by Dylan. She read some webnovels on her phone before going back to sleep, and the sun was already shining a few hours later, but she was still asleep. Amos had to knock on the door to wake her up.

☒ “Young Mistress Kendall,” Amos called out to her from outside the door. “Are you awake?”

☒ “Yes, Mr. Miller. I’ll come out in a minute. What do you need?” She sat up and scrambled to get her phone to look at the time. Holy smokes? It’s already nine?

☒ “Miss Zorn is here, and she wants to see you.”

☒ Kendall hurried to get changed, and she asked, “Miss Zorn? Which Miss Zorn?”

☒ A moment of silence later, Amos said, “Her name is Yasmine.”

☒ “Oh.” I forgot about her. This b*tch is Kelly’s best friend. She embarrassed me at her birthday party in my past life. Wait, why does she want to see me? And in the mansion, no less. I mean, of course she

knows I'm here. Kelly must have told her, but why did she come? Wait. Does she have a crush on Dylan?
"Mr. Miller, tell Miss Zorn to give me ten minutes."

☒ "Of course." Amos left.

☒ She came out of the room about fifteen minutes later. Without Charlotte nagging her, she wore whatever that felt comfortable. This time, it was a striped T-shirt and long black pants. It was just like what she wore back at her foster parents' house, but it suited her well.

☒ Amos seemed to know she would come out right at that moment, as he and the other servants were already waiting outside. "Good morning, Young Mistress Kendall!"

☒ More than ten servants greeted her at the same time, much to her surprise. "Oh, um, good morning, everyone." She smiled. It's already a bit late though.

☒ "If you please, Young Mistress Kendall, it's time for breakfast." Amos extended his arm, inviting her into the dining hall for breakfast.

☒ "I thought Miss Zorn wanted to see me."

☒ "I asked Master Dylan about it, and he wants you to have breakfast first. You can see her if you want to, but it's perfectly fine if you don't."

☒ Yasmine was here for a confrontation. With Dylan out of the way, nobody would protect Kendall, so Amos asked Dylan what he should do. Once he got his master's orders, he could protect Kendall in Dylan's place.

☒ Should I have breakfast or see the woman who threw me under the bus in my last life first? Duh. That was a rhetorical question. Food comes first. Yasmine can wait.

☒ Yasmine was standing outside, looking annoyed. Two men in black were standing before her, and she asked, "What's Mr. Miller doing? I told him to get Kendall here, so where is she?" She would have barged into the place if it were not for the fact that this was Dylan's house. The Zorns were on par with the Mendelsons in Orapolis, and they were only second to the Colemans in terms of power. Yasmine was the princess of the Zorns, just like how Alice was the princess of the Colemans. She had always been the center of everyone's attention and was spoiled rotten. How dare Mr. Miller let me wait? She's just a country bumpkin!

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Chapter 53 Love Letter From Dylan?

☒ The two men in black did not respond to Yasmine's question.

☒ Her face darkened even more when she realized she was being ignored. Hence, she couldn't help but dial Dylan's number.

☒ The call went through but was left unanswered. It was the same for a few more calls that she subsequently made.

☒ This enraged her even more.

☒ Meanwhile, Kendall was well aware that allowing Yasmine to wait for so long would enrage her, but she couldn't care less.

☒ In the past, she had been resentful of Yasmine for embarrassing her at the banquet and at her own inability to confront Yasmine. Kendall was well aware that Yasmine had a lot of hooligans under her control and confronting her would be a matter of life or death.

☒ However, even if she didn't have Dylan by her side, she wasn't afraid of Yasmine anymore.

☒ After all, Yasmine was just a spoiled brat.

☒ The chef at the Coleman Family had exceptional culinary skills and Kendall was having a great time eating.

☒ "Young Mistress Kendall."

☒ Just as she was happily having her food, Amos placed an envelope by her side.

☒ "My letter?" she inquired as she picked up the letter.

☒ It was rare for people to use letters now since phones were so common.

☒ "Before he left, Young Master Dylan instructed me to pass this letter to you," he reassured.

☒ He was overjoyed that Dylan had finally come to his senses and even wrote a love letter to Kendall.

☒ Furthermore, he was also aware that Dylan had stayed with Kendall all night yesterday. Despite knowing that nothing happened between them, it was a good sign that they stayed together.

☒ "It's from Dylan?" Kendall immediately placed her utensils down after learning that the letter was from Dylan.

☒ Her curiosity won out over all the delectable food on the table.

☒ Wow! Dylan? I never expected him to be the type to write love letters! Is it mushy? Or unromantic like him?

☒ She curiously opened the envelope before taking out the folded paper in it and putting the envelope down.

☒ Then, she carefully flipped open the folded letter with both hands. There was only one piece of paper in it.

☒ Well, one paper appeared to be a little less, but if it was filled with words, she wouldn't mind.

☒ Presently, Amos was still standing beside her. He didn't mean to peek, but he couldn't resist the urge to steal a glance at Dylan's love letter.

☒ 'Life Plans' were the two words to first enter both Kendall's and Amos' sights.

☒ Kendall smiled as she continued to read, but as she read, her smile faded and was replaced by a thoughtful expression.

☒ Amos, on the other hand, realized after taking a peek that it was all his wishful thinking.

☒ It wasn't a love letter at all!

☒ Since it was not a love letter, he had no desire to read any further. He didn't even look at the letter again despite the fact that he was still standing by her side.

☒ After reading this 'revenge plan' drafted by Dylan, she felt as if her mind was clearer now. He wanted her to learn the ins and outs of running a business before seizing control from Kelly.

☒ As Kendall was the true young lady of the Parker Family, her parents would definitely side with her. So, as long as she could learn how to manage a company and demonstrate to them that she was capable of taking over Parker Corporation, she would have complete control.

☒ There would be no place for Kelly then.

☒ All the woman's efforts over the years would simply be Kendall's dowry.

☒ Kendall stuffed the letter back into the envelope and continued eating after finishing the 'revenge plan.'

☒ When she finally had enough of all the food and exited the house, Yasmine appeared as if she was going to tear Kendall apart.

☒ "Kendall Parker!"

☒ Yasmine really wanted to kick Kendall right now, but her upbringing had prevented her from doing so. Suppressing her rage, she sarcastically said, "It's extremely difficult to meet you. You are the first person who made me wait so long in the sun! How dare you!"

☒ Kendall responded with a smile, "I didn't ask you to wait for me in the sun. There are numerous trees in the yard that provide shade; you can sit or stand under any of them, but you insist on standing in the sun. Don't blame me for your choice."

☒ Yasmine was enraged when she heard that, especially since Kendall had said them with a smile.

☒ In the past, Kendall had always been silent in front of Yasmine because she never got along with the young ladies from wealthy families.

☒ This was the first time Yasmine realized that Kendall was, in fact, good with words.

☒ "Amos."

☒ Yasmine looked at Amos, who was standing behind Kendall, and politely greeted him in a soft tone. Then, as if to remind him, Yasmine said, "Look at her attitude, Amos. Her habit of shooting her mouth off will undoubtedly land Dylan into trouble. As Dylan's butler, you have to teach her proper manners."

☒ She had regarded Kendall as the Coleman Family's servant. After all, Kelly had told her about how Kendall had offended Dylan.

☒ Plus, Dylan took Kendall away after that. What else could it be other than wanting her to be his servant?

☒ Remembering that Kendall had the audacity to reject her marriage by threatening to kill herself in front of Dylan, Yasmine was really pissed off. If it isn't for... How is Kendall worthy of Dylan? Dylan should be mine! But...

☒ Yasmine's heart ached whenever she thought of Dylan's current situation. It was such a pity!

☒ Amos politely replied, "Thank you for your reminder, Miss Zorn, but Kendall is not under my command. Young Master Dylan will personally teach her everything she needs to know."

☒ Amos did not address Kendall as the young mistress in front of Yasmine.

☒ As long as Dylan did not reveal Kendall's identity, Amos would ensure that no one in the house revealed Dylan's marital status.

☒ Glancing at Kendall, Yasmine said with a smile, "It's your blessing to be taught by Dylan personally, Kendall."

☒ Dylan will definitely torture Kendall, Yasmine thought.

☒ "That's true. Even my ancestors are honored."

☒ Indeed, nobody could match Kendall's wit and her words rendered Yasmine speechless.

☒ "If you have no other matters, Miss Zorn, I'll need to leave first to get acquainted with the surroundings."

☒ Dylan had given Kendall one week to get herself familiarized with the Coleman Mansion. Otherwise, she would be a piece of dead meat.

☒ She couldn't imagine how he would punish her if she didn't remember the roads. "Let's go, Amos."

☒ "Sure." Amos nodded and followed her from behind before they both walked right past Yasmine.

☒ Before Yasmine could react, the both of them had walked away.

☒ Wait! She suddenly remembered that she came here to look for Kendall, intending to teach Kendall a lesson by using her position as the Colemans' guest.

☒ However, Kendall left right in front of her after only a few words.

☒ Yasmine realized that she had been played a fool by Kendall; the village girl had escaped while she was still stunned by what she had heard!

☒ She glared angrily at Kendall's leaving figure from behind before leaving Dylan's quarters and heading for the main house.

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Chapter 54 His Advice

☒ Toddy entered the president's office at Coleman Empire Holdings.

☒ "President Coleman."

☒ "I managed to gather information about him."

☒ Dylan did not even raise his head.

☒ Toddy then approached Dylan and handed him the few papers in his hand, saying, "I've gotten every detail about him."

☒ "Put them down. I'll check them out later when I'm free."

☒ Toddy then placed the papers on Dylan's right side, where the latter could easily pick them up when he had the time.

☒ Then, Toddy noticed that the two little mice were displayed at an eye-catching position.

☒ He knew that Dylan's wife gave these to him. Given how highly Dylan regarded them, the man must adore his wife as well.

☒ "You don't have to look at them. I'm not going to distribute them."

☒ That rendered Toddy speechless, but he added, "I can buy ten boxes of them," he said in reply.

☒ "Well, the ten boxes can't compete with my pair."

☒ Toddy had the impression that his superior was showing off his wife to Toddy, who was a single man.

☒ "We have a business relationship with Whittle Holdings, right?" Dylan inquired, his voice solemn. He continued without waiting for Toddy's response, "Make something out of it and subject them to losses. Then, spread word that Whittle Holdings have offended the Coleman Empire Holdings."

☒ "Okay."

☒ Toddy was intrigued by the reason for such instructions, but he did not inquire further and would unconditionally follow his superior's orders.

☒ "That's all."

☒ "Okay. I'll get back to work now. Do you want to hang out this weekend?"

☒ "My legs can't function well. I can't tag along with you all anymore. Just go with them; I don't want to ruin everyone's mood."

☒ Dylan was emotionless when he said these.

☒ But Toddy noticed Dylan tightening his grip on the pen he was holding. Toddy knew that Dylan was, in fact, upset about his disability.

☒ However, he refused to follow the doctor's advice for physiotherapy despite the doctor's assurances that if he could stick with the physiotherapy, he would be able to stand and walk like everyone else in a couple of years.

☒ "Dylan."

☒ When Toddy addressed Dylan by name, he was assuming the role of Dylan's friend.

☒ “Simply follow the doctor’s advice and seek physiotherapy. Why not take advantage of the opportunity to recover? It’s been a long time since you’ve joined us for golf, hiking, horseback riding, or surfing!”

☒ Dylan simply pursed his lips tightly and remained silent.

☒ “You now have a wife and a family. Even if it’s not for yourself, you must consider your wife! I’m sure she’ll want you to go shopping with her hand in hand.”

☒ Hearing that, Dylan put down his pen and raised his head, thereafter looking at Toddy.

☒ After a brief moment of silence, Dylan responded, “I can go shopping with her in my wheelchair.”

☒ “If you can walk, you can take care of her. But now it’s the other way around; she’s got to look after you. Dylan, even though you don’t say who your wife is, the fact that you placed the two little mice in such a prominent location indicates to me that she is important to you. Given that, you must be hoping that you will be able to bring her happiness, right? But now, instead of looking after her, your situation will only make things worse for her. Will she be happy?”

☒ Dylan’s expression turned to an awful one.

☒ Kendall had stated unequivocally that she did not mind his disability. She was even willing to be a widow for the rest of her life.

☒ “Think about it yourself. I’ll leave now.”

☒ Toddy was tactful enough to know when to stop.

☒ After he left, Dylan took the investigation results given by Toddy.

☒ The papers were regarding Jackson and Kendall.

☒ When he finished reading them, he tore them all up and threw it in the garbage can next to him.

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☒ Kelly’s car stopped in front of the Goldlake Villa, but she did not immediately get down from the car. Instead, she looked around to make sure there were no other cars before putting on her sunglasses and a cap and exiting the car with her Hermès bag.

☒ When she arrived at the villa’s entrance, she took another look around and only pressed the doorbell after ensuring that no one was nearby.

☒ Within seconds, a servant opened the door for her.

☒ “Miss Kelly.”

☒ The servant immediately recognized Kelly and put on a fawning smile. “Would you like to drive your car in?”

☒ “That’s not necessary. I will be leaving soon.”

☒ While entering the villa, Kelly opened her bag and took out a small red box. She then handed it to the servant and gently said, "Amy, this is for you. I bought it earlier during my work trip, but I was so busy that I didn't have time to come earlier."

☒ Amy's smile brightened even more when she saw this. She said shyly as she took over the box, "Thank you very much for this present. Our young master is waiting for you inside."

☒ "I'll go in now."

☒ This was Jackson's villa, where he frequently met with Kelly privately.

☒ Kelly then went inside the house by herself.

☒ Unlike in the Whittle Family where they had a large group of servants, Amy and Zoe were the only ones here. Amy was in charge of housekeeping, while Zoe was in charge of the cooking.

☒ When Kelly entered, she was surprised to see that Jackson wasn't around. She paused for a moment before raising her legs and making her way upstairs.

☒ She quickly arrived at the room facing the east and knocked on the door.

☒ "I'm here, Jackson."

☒ However, there was no response from him.

☒ She was a little doubtful. Hence, she raised her hand and knocked once more.

☒ Suddenly, the door flung open, and she was drawn in by a pair of arms. Her lips were sealed as she felt herself pressed against the door.

☒ After a series of passionate kisses, Jackson stroked her face and said, hoarsely, "I love you, Kelly."

☒ Kelly raised her head and looked him in the eyes. Due to the kisses earlier, she was now panting heavily. With a flirtatious expression, she cuddled in Jackson's embrace. Her demeanor enticed him to kiss her again, but she covered his mouth with her hand.

☒ "I love you too, Jackson."

☒ "Do you really love me?"

☒ "Do you want me to show you my heart?" she asked, her eyes welling up with emotion.

☒ Jackson then pried open her hand which was covering his mouth, and kissed her on the lips lightly. Grudgingly, he said, "But you requested me to marry Kendall! Who knows how difficult it was for me to put up the show."

☒ "Aren't you having a good time? Look, you're not used to Kendall being uninterested in you now."

☒ "I was just acting in front of your adoptive parents."

☒ Kelly was not interested in continuing the conversation. Hence, she asked, "Where's your injuries? Let me have a look."

☒ Jackson then yanked her from his embrace and grumbled, “There are claw marks all over my hands and feet! The dogs in the Coleman Family are simply too frightening. They didn’t bite me much but when they tried to tear my clothes, they left a lot of claw marks on my limbs and even my neck. Fortunately, the marks on my neck aren’t visible. Otherwise, I wouldn’t dare to reveal myself.”

☒ Then, Jackson stroked his own face and continued, “If they dare to scratch my face, I will definitely kill them.”

☒ He was, obviously, pleased with his own looks.

☒ Following his words, Kelly checked on his injuries and said dearly, “Are the dogs insane? How can they cause you such injuries?”

☒ “It was Kendall!”

☒ Jackson was still terrified whenever he remembered the incident.

☒ Kendall saw him being chased and bitten by the dogs, but she did not save him or even ask anyone to get the dogs away from him. Jackson would have been bitten or scared to death if it hadn’t been for the fact that someone from the Colemans happened to come out.

☒ It was just too terrifying!

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Chapter 55 Be Content, Kendall!

☒ “Kendall was the one who let the dogs out?”

☒ Kelly’s eyes were filled with hatred when she asked that.

☒ “How dare she treat you in this manner? She slapped you before, and now she’s using the dogs! Even if the Colemans are domineering, I knew they won’t let their dogs out for no reason. So it was that country girl, huh?”

☒ “I had no idea who let the dogs out, but when I asked for her assistance, she did nothing but stand there and look. If Master Dylan didn’t come out, I might have been eaten by the dogs!”

☒ While struggling to recall the details of the incident, he continued, “Kelly, you reminded me of something... Perhaps it was Kendall who did it without Master Dylan’s knowledge.”

☒ “Master Dylan has no feud with you, so he won’t do that to you. It’s got to be Kendall!”

☒ She continued, bitterly, “Kendall and I are now fighting over our parents. She is their biological daughter, and my mother is already on her side. If she gets into Parker Corporation and gains my father’s trust in her ability to manage the company, there will be no room for me in the family! She has obviously returned to fight me over the Parkers’ assets!”

☒ Hearing this, Jackson wrapped his arms around Kelly and sat down on the couch in his room as he comforted, “Don’t be afraid of her, Kelly. She isn’t comparable to you at all. Even if she gets into Parker Corporation, she will never be able to do well with her abilities. But, just to be safe, we have to go ahead with your plan.”

☒ Then, he lovingly kissed her cheek and continued softly, “There’s no room for failure, Kelly. If we fail, you will have nothing. And if that happens, our relationship will be difficult to maintain. My mother will undoubtedly object.”

☒ Jackson’s mother no longer supported their relationship after discovering that Kelly was not the Parkers’ biological daughter.

☒ “I know that, and I won’t fail as well. From my many years of experiences in Parker Corporation, I am able to chase Kendall out. By the way, Jackson, is your mother aware of your injuries?”

☒ “I did not inform her. If she finds out, she’ll rush to the Colemans and cause a commotion, but we can’t afford to offend them.”

☒ “Aside from the Mendelson Family, who else in Orapolis would dare to offend them?” Kelly asked truthfully.

☒ She noticed that Jackson’s legs were trembling.

☒ Well, now that Kendall had been taken away by Dylan to be his servant, Kelly would just sit and wait for Kendall’s pathetic end!

☒ After chatting for a while, Kelly checked the time before she stood up and said, “I have to go now, Jackson. I need to accompany my father to a business negotiation in the afternoon.”

☒ As if he couldn’t bear her leaving, he pulled her back into his embrace. The next second, he lifted her chin and sealed her mouth with his lips.

☒ Kelly passionately responded as well.

☒ Just as he was about to give in to his desire and take things to the next step, she pushed him away.

☒ “I have to leave right now. Jackson, take care of yourself. I will exact vengeance on Kendall on your behalf.”

☒ He then sent her off to the door and said, “Don’t do anything to Kendall yet. As you have said, your mom is now favoring her. Your mother will be upset if you act rashly. Even if your father now thinks highly of you, it will still be bad for you if your mother complains to him.”

☒ Kelly knew that too. Since she was eyeing the Parkers’ assets, she could not lay her hands on Kendall, at least for the time being. Kelly needed to put on an act in front of her adoptive parents.

☒ Taking a few deep breaths, she replied, “I’ll take your advice. Jackson, please take care of yourself at home. I don’t think I’ll be able to come in both in the afternoon and at night. Fortunately, the weekend is approaching. Yasmine’s birthday is this Saturday, and I’ll be celebrating with her. Will you be joining us?”

☒ “Yes, I’ll be there with my mom.”

☒ “Great. I will see you then.”

☒ “Sure.”

☒ Jackson then sent Kelly downstairs to the villa's entrance. After seeing that her car had vanished from his sight, he turned around and entered the villa.

☒ ...

☒ Meanwhile, Kendall had spent the entire morning getting acquainted with her surroundings, along with Amos in tow.

☒ When it was close to noon, Amos received a call.

☒ Kendall had no idea who had made the call. She only noticed that he answered the phone in hushed tones and ended the call within minutes.

☒ After he ended the call, he chased after her and called out, "Young Mistress Kendall."

☒ "Yes?"

☒ "Ronnie just called, Young Mistress Kendall, and he told me to arrange for a car to take you to the Dynasty Hotel."

☒ The Dynasty Hotel?

☒ It was as if Kendall thought of something, and her eyes brightened up as she asked sweetly, "Amos, is Dylan treating me to a nice meal?"

☒ Amos truly adored Kendall's straightforward personality. Unlike the others, she always spoke candidly about her thoughts and never beat around the bush.

☒ Additionally, he loved Kendall's appetite as well. She could eat a lot and wasn't picky about what she ate.

☒ Not to mention that her body was kept in good shape, as if she would never gain weight no matter what she ate.

☒ "Ronnie is Young Master Dylan's bodyguard. All of his words are from Young Master Dylan, and he is, of course, treating you to a meal."

☒ Smilingly, Kendall responded, "I've heard that the food at the Dynasty Hotel is excellent. I had planned to bring my parents previously, but Dylan asked me back just to style my hair. It was such a regret. I never expected him to compensate me so quickly, though!"

☒ "Young Mistress Kendall, you appear to love eating."

☒ "Of course! I am a foodie. Well, our mouths are bestowed for us to talk and eat, right?"

☒ Her words amused Amos. Laughingly, he said, "You're right! I will arrange for the car now. Are you able to walk back by yourself?"

☒ "Sure. Dylan will peel my skin off if I still can't recognize the roads after walking around for the entire morning. Your young master is far too ferocious, and he is constantly bullying me!"

☒ "In fact, he treats you very well. From all the years that I am with him, I have never seen him treating any other woman this nicely, besides Miss Alice."

- ☒ Kendall suddenly recalled the 'Life Plans' that Dylan drafted. "Fine. He has his good side too."
- ☒ It would be better if he could control his temper, though.
- ☒ "You haven't spent enough time with him, Young Mistress Kendall. You will soon realize that Young Master Dylan is the nicest man in Orapolis."
- ☒ Amos was forever on Dylan's side.
- ☒ Kendall simply smiled in response, not saying anything.
- ☒ Dylan was perfect in a lot of ways, she knew. But he enjoyed bullying her.
- ☒ Fine, she was the one to be blamed.
- ☒ She dug her own grave by refusing the marriage and cutting her wrist in front of him. Despite everything that had happened, Dylan was gracious enough to keep her life and even assist her at times.
- ☒ Be content, Kendall Parker!

Chapter 56 Nelson Woods

- ☒ At the Parker Corporation' entrance, Nelson was standing at one corner, looking at all the posh cars entering and exiting the company. He was so amazed by this massive corporation seeing that even its visitors drove posh cars.
- ☒ There was a photo in his hand.
- ☒ Kelly was in the photo, standing next to a new car.
- ☒ From Kendall, he knew that the car in the photo belonged to Kelly.
- ☒ In fact, he did not even have Kelly's phone number, though she was his biological sister.
- ☒ Kelly never returned to the Woods Family, and she refused to acknowledge her biological parents.
- ☒ Nelson was displeased with her as well.
- ☒ Their parents did not raise her, but they did give her life. Furthermore, neither of them was responsible for the exchange of both children. They, too, were victims.
- ☒ But Kelly didn't want to be associated or have any connections with the Woods in any way.
- ☒ Presently, the sun was so bright that it hurt those who were exposed to it.
- ☒ Nelson looked around as he clutched the photo tightly, waiting for the car in the photo to appear before his eyes.
- ☒ On the other hand, Kelly had no idea her biological brother was here. She headed to the company right after she left Jackson's villa. From afar, she noticed some people standing near the entrance, but it didn't bother her.

☒ Though it was not as large as the Coleman Empire Holdings or the Mandelson Group, the Parker Corporation had a presence in Orapolis. Because of the company's name, many people fought to be hired by Parker Corporation.

☒ Suddenly, a man dashed out of nowhere and blocked her car. Everything happened so quickly that she had no choice but to use the emergency brake to avoid colliding with that person.

☒ Her face turned ashen as a result of this. It was only after a few minutes that she regained her senses and stepped out of the car.

☒ When Kelly realized that Nelson was the one who had stopped her, her expression turned thunderous. "Even if you want to die, don't die in front of me," she said coldly.

☒ "I'm sorry. I was afraid that you would go in before I managed to do anything."

☒ Nelson immediately apologized.

☒ He was also aware that what he had done earlier was risky.

☒ "Why are you here? For a job interview? This is the Parker Corporation' headquarters, and the company only hires the best. There are no available positions for you here. You should try out other places."

☒ Kelly was well aware that her biological family's background paled in comparison to the Parkers. Her brother, Nelson, had only a high school qualification. In an era when degrees are widely available, having only a high school qualification will not set him apart. It would be difficult for the Parkers Holding to hire him.

☒ "Don't expect me to get you in through our relationship. That's impossible."

☒ She put on an incorruptible expression at that.

☒ "Kelly..."

☒ "Don't call my name. Please address me as Ms. Parker."

☒ She abruptly cut Nelson off because she didn't want to hear her own name come out of his mouth.

☒ Meanwhile, Nelson wasn't pleased by her attitude at all. He would never want to look for her if it weren't for his mother, who secretly came to look for Kelly but lost her money and phone due to her unfamiliarity with the surroundings before being involved in a car accident. Even after she was admitted to the hospital, she mumbled that she wanted to meet Kelly.

☒ Nelson was well aware of the fact that Kelly despised their family's poverty and regarded them as inferior to the Parkers.

☒ Even Kendall, the real young lady of the Parker Family, did not treat them with such contempt. She paid them a few visits each month and called them occasionally.

☒ But Kelly...

☒ "Mom wants to see you."

☒ Nelson then continued nonchalantly, “She met with an accident when she came here without our knowledge. Even though she’s in the hospital, she keeps mentioning your name. Take some time to pay her a visit. She is being treated at Orapolis General Hospital.”

☒ “I don’t have time for that.”

☒ Kelly then walked back to her car and took her bag. From it, she took a stack of money and handed it to Nelson. “This money is for her. Take it and buy some supplements for her. Please also tell her that my life is great now. My parents treat me the same way they did before, and Kendall respects me as her sister too. Don’t be concerned about me. If it’s truly for my own good, please just live your lives in that small place and stop bothering me. Of course, you can let me know if the family is experiencing financial difficulties, and I will do my best to help. But again, don’t be greedy and treat me like a golden goose.”

☒ Her words utterly enraged Nelson.

☒ He did not take the money. Instead, he slapped her hand away and said angrily, “Kelly Parker, I know you look down on us but the one lying in the hospital now is your mother, who met with an accident because she wanted to see you. Now, you do not even want to visit her? Where has your humanity gone?”

☒ After his words, he snatched the money from her and slapped them in her face.

☒ “You’re so arrogant just because of this money, huh? We don’t need it!”

☒ Kendall had been sending money to them since she returned to her biological parents’ side. Not only that, but she continued to send them good things even after the Woods refused to accept them.

☒ Adam and his wife as well. They were grateful to the Woods Family for providing a good upbringing for Kendall. As a result, when they picked Kendall up from their family, they also gave the Woods a large sum of money to thank them.

☒ Because of all these, the Woods Family was not in need of money.

☒ After slapping the money on Kelly, Nelson furiously walked away with big strides.

☒ Kelly, on the other hand, was wearing a terrible expression. She was afraid of being embarrassed if the others witnessed what Nelson had done earlier.

☒ After a brief moment of silence, she turned around and sat in her car before driving into the company, not forgetting to remind the security guards, “Chase that man away the next time you see him. Don’t let him get near.”

☒ “Noted, Vice President Parker,” the guard replied respectfully.

☒ Kelly drove straight into the building after that.

☒ Nelson, on the other hand, left furiously and flagged down a taxi by the roadside. Even after he got into the taxi, he was still fuming with anger.

☒ His heart ached for his mother, who was lying in a hospital bed and couldn’t see her biological daughter no matter how much she wanted to.

- ☒ At that point, he could not help himself and he gave Kendall a call.
- ☒ Emotionally, he adored Kendall more. For the past two decades, he and his brother had treated Kendall as their biological sister. They had no idea Kendall was not related to them by blood.
- ☒ The one who was blood-related to them, on the other hand, was arrogant and couldn't care less about their family.
- ☒ "Nell!"
- ☒ Kendall cheerfully called out to him over the phone. She was overjoyed to receive his call.
- ☒ And the burning rage within him vanished the moment he heard her familiar voice.
- ☒ "Yes, it's me. Kendall, hear me out before you say anything. Our mother—sorry, my mother, was involved in an accident and is currently in the hospital. Her life is not in danger, but she has been injured and has just undergone surgery. She is currently being treated at Orapolis General Hospital."
- ☒ Hearing that, Kendall got agitated and asked anxiously, "Is her condition serious, Nell? Why did that happen? Was the driver arrested? Orapolis General Hospital, right? I'll go over now!"
- ☒ Nelson originally wanted to stop her from going to the hospital, but the words did not come out of his mouth.
- ☒ "Let's talk further when we meet."
- ☒ "Sure. I will be there right away. Wait for me at the hospital's entrance, Nell."
- ☒ "Drive safe."
- ☒ He was concerned that she would be reckless as a result of her anxiety and cautioned her.
- ☒ "I know. I'll hang up the phone first, Nell. I need to take leave."
- ☒ She needed to ask for leave from Dylan.
- ☒

Chapter 57 Dylan's Promise

- ☒ Kendall immediately called Dylan after her conversation with Nelson ended.
- ☒ Dylan took his time answering the phone after it rang for a long time.
- ☒ "I want to take the day off, Dylan."
- ☒ She got straight to the point as she was already anxious about her mom's condition. "My mother was involved in an accident and is currently being treated at Orapolis General Hospital. I need to check on her right now."
- ☒ Dylan furrowed his brows and turned to face Charlotte, who had just been brought in by his secretary and was now sitting in front of him. "Your mom met with an accident?" he inquired, with his voice deep.
- ☒ How could she lie through her teeth in front of him?

☒ “My foster mother. Nell just called to tell me about it. Can I go, Dylan? I can visit her in the hospital first and if there’s nothing serious, I will then rush to the hotel to have the meal with you.”

☒ Oh—it’s her foster mother.

☒ She did not lie.

☒ “The meal can wait. Just go. Ask the driver to send you there.”

☒ Dylan wasn’t someone unreasonable.

☒ In fact, he admired Kendall for still treating her foster family well.

☒ He would only look down on her if she, like Kelly, refused to acknowledge her biological parents.

☒ “You do not need to rush to the hotel either. Take good care of your mother in the hospital and just let me know if there’s anything I can help.”

☒ Despite the fact that Dylan’s voice was deep and sounded cold, his words warmed Kendall’s heart.

☒ “Thank you, Dylan.”

☒ “Because you don’t have a gift for me today, please compensate me with something extra tonight. I will accept that token of appreciation.”

☒ Kendall had no idea how to respond to such words of his.

☒ Just as she was about to say something else, Dylan ended the call.

☒ Nonetheless, it didn’t bother her. Her entire heart and mind were focused on her foster mother, and she had no time for those minor issues.

☒ “Mr. Fisher, I am not going to the Dynasty Hotel. Please send me to Orapolis General Hospital instead.”

☒ “Young Master Dylan agreed to this?” Henry asked.

☒ Despite hearing Kendall’s words, he clarified so as not to offend Dylan.

☒ “I’ve asked him.”

☒ “Sure.”

☒ After obtaining the confirmation, he turned at the next juncture and headed to Orapolis General Hospital.

☒ After hanging up the phone, Dylan directed his secretary to pour a glass of water for Charlotte. “What brought you here, Mom?” he inquired calmly after his secretary had exited the room.

☒ Charlotte was not accustomed to him addressing her in this manner. It actually terrified her.

☒ She immediately took a few sips from the glass of warm water that was handed to her. The water soothed her throat, giving her the courage she lacked.

☒ “Master Dylan.”

☒ While putting down the glass, she looked into Dylan's eyes.

☒ She was a little anxious when her gaze met with his.

☒ "Mom, I am not a beast and I will not devour you. You don't have to be scared of me. Just say whatever comes to mind, and I won't hold it against you," Dylan said in hushed tones.

☒ "Dylan, I know Kendall's actions that day embarrassed you. It's her fault, as well as mine, for not teaching her properly. I sincerely apologize to you."

☒ Charlotte's intention today was to apologize to Dylan.

☒ "If you still aren't over it, just vent it out on me. Kendall is my child. I've always felt guilty toward her, which is why I spoiled her when she returned to my side, causing her to have the audacity to embarrass you. Everything is entirely my fault. Master Dylan, please let her go. She is still young and has a long road ahead of her. Sorry to say this, but following you for the rest of her life will not benefit her. She hasn't been by my side since I was a child. I owe her a great deal for that. I don't expect her to become wealthy or well-known. It's enough for me if she can be safe and find someone who loves her, and with whom she can live happily."

☒ Dylan simply pursed his lips and listened as Charlotte begged him to let Kendall go.

☒ It was only after she had finished all she wanted to say and gulped down the entire glass of water did Dylan speak coldly, "Mom, I did not force Kendall to marry me. She was the one who desired that I marry her."

☒ Charlotte was dumbstruck by his words.

☒ She knew Dylan never lied.

☒ Hence, his words were true.

☒ "Why?"

☒ After a long while, she asked with difficulty, "Why did Kendall do that?"

☒ Dylan's face remained emotionless. "That's not my concern, Mom. She bit me at the time and said it was the mark she left on my body and she had to accept responsibility for it. With that, she forced me to marry her, and she reassured me that she will never be sorry for her decision. Well, it just so happens that I'm looking for a wife as well. Since she's willing to be with me, I just did as she wished. Sorry for not informing you sooner, Mom. This is entirely our fault. I apologize for scaring you."

☒ Dylan felt bad for concealing the truth from the elders.

☒ "Kendall..."

☒ Charlotte had no idea what she could say next.

☒ She had assumed Dylan was the one who forced the marriage in order to exact revenge on Kendall.

☒ It turned out that her own daughter was the one who wanted it.

☒ "Do the elders in your family know about this?"

☒ Charlotte reflected on how complicated and cunning the Coleman Family was, and she felt sorry for her daughter for marrying into such a family. At the same time, she was upset with Kendall for keeping such an important thing from her.

☒ It's no surprise Kendall had asked her to decline the Whittles' marriage proposal. It was because...

☒ "I have not yet informed them. If they find out, they will... abhor Kendall."

☒ Charlotte was once again feeling sorry for Kendall's predicament.

☒ In fact, the Colemans wanted to be related by marriage to the Parker Family from the beginning. She was well aware that the Colemans were only doing so because they had no other options. If it wasn't for the fact that Dylan was... they would never have chosen Kendall.

☒ They simply wanted to take advantage of the fact that Kendall grew up in the countryside, and they did not regard the Parkers highly.

☒ Dylan remained silent.

☒ He wasn't sure about the others, but he was pretty sure his mother disliked Kendall.

☒ "I had no idea why Kendall wanted this, Dylan. However, because she had already married you, she is now your wife and you must protect her. It is entirely dependent on the husband's attitude whether a wife will be respected in the husband's family."

☒ Kendall would be safe in the Coleman Family as long as Dylan stood by her, no matter how much his family despised her.

☒ Since it was her own daughter's decision, Charlotte knew that they would not divorce, at least for the time being.

☒ "Don't worry about this, Mom. I will defend her as long as she is my wife."

☒ Dylan gave Charlotte his promise.

☒ Charlotte felt more at ease after hearing his words.

☒ Then, she suddenly recalled Kendall's phone call earlier and asked, "Why did Kendall call? Her mom was involved in a car accident?"

☒ "Yes, her foster mom met with an accident and is in Orapolis General Hospital now."

☒ Dylan was wondering whether he should visit Sally.

☒ The Woods Family raised Kendall and taught her well too. At the very least, her temperament and personality suited him.

☒ As a result, he felt compelled to pay Sally a visit in the hospital.

☒ However, given his identity, his presence in the hospital would undoubtedly draw public attention. That was a place for the injured, or even the dead, and he didn't want to make a scene there.

☒

Chapter 58 Father?

☒ After arriving at the Orapolis General Hospital, the driver parked the car and Kendall immediately opened the door and got out of the vehicle.

☒ “Young Mistress Kendall, do I need to wait for you?” Henry asked.

☒ Kendall replied without thinking, “There’s no need, so you can leave now.”

☒ Since her mother was hospitalized, she had to stay in the hospital to care for the older woman. In addition, Kendall had already asked Dylan for leave.

☒ Hence, Henry hummed in response.

☒ She turned around and walked toward the hospital while looking for her cell phone as she wanted to call Nelson. However, she was so distracted that she bumped into Frank Mendelson coming from the inpatient department.

☒ He was surrounded by bodyguards with a cold expression and hurriedly walked as if he was busy.

☒ Upon bumping into Frank, his bodyguards stepped forward and pushed Kendall away before he could react.

☒ It was so sudden that Kendall lost her balance and fell down while frantically reaching out to grab a strap. As if she had found her lifeline, she tightly pulled at the strap.

☒ She could finally regain her balance with the help of the strap, but by the time she came to her senses, she met a handsome but dark face.

☒ She blinked.

☒ Kendall felt familiar with the face and the alluring eyes, but she couldn’t remember where she had seen it before.

☒ On the other hand, Frank was thoroughly irritated. The woman had tightly grabbed his necktie and almost strangled him in public.

☒ However, when he saw the face of the woman before him, his expression changed. He quickly grabbed Kendall’s collar and pulled her closer to stare at her.

☒ Kendall was confused at that. “What’s the matter?”

☒ The man gave her a hard pinch on her cheek the next moment.

☒ As she felt the pain, she raised her hand and slapped Frank’s hand away. After that, she also pinched his face hard. How dare you pinch me! You’re not Dylan, so you can’t do this to me!

☒ Frank whispered, “It’s real; I’m not dreaming.”

☒ Dreaming? Kendall quickly stepped back and looked at Frank defensively, thereafter asking with caution, “What do you want?”

☒ His gaze fell on her stomach.

☒ A confused Kendall followed his gaze. Is there anything on my stomach? I'm not fat and don't have a pot belly. So, why is he looking at my stomach?

☒ "Where's the baby?"

☒ Baby?! Kendall was shocked to hear that. As she thought of a possibility, she looked at Frank in disbelief. He said that he's not dreaming and I'm real. Then, he looked at my stomach and asked about my baby. Is he the one that took my virginity in the past life?

☒ "Kendall?"

☒ Nelson just came out from the hospital to wait for Kendall. However, he didn't expect that she had already arrived.

☒ "Nell."

☒ When Kendall saw the person she regarded as her brother, she treated him as her savior. Then, she quickly walked past the group of people and ran to him

☒ Nelson looked at his sister's pale face, then at Frank's group. "Kendall, what happened? Did they do something bad to you?"

☒ He clenched his fists while asking her. If Kendall confirmed his suspicion, he would immediately head over to avenge his sister.

☒ She took Nelson's arm to drag him away. Then, she responded, "I'm alright. They didn't do anything to me. It was me who walked too fast and bumped into them. I was panicked to see such a large group, that's all."

☒ Nelson doubted it.

☒ After all, Kendall was not a coward. She had learned taekwondo and sanda, so she could handle a few men together. She was daring as she knew martial arts, which was why it was impossible for her to be this scared after bumping into them.

☒ "Nell, how's Mom? Where did she get hit?" Kendall changed the subject and did not allow him to ask further questions.

☒ Her mind was a mess.

☒ In the past life, she thought that the baby was Jackson's daughter. When she found out about the truth, the baby was dying. The both of them died without knowing who the baby's birth father was.

☒ After rebirth, Kendall would still be in pain when she thought about her daughter. Her hatred against Kelly and Jackson only grew deeper. However, she knew that she couldn't rival them just yet. God knew how hard she endured and controlled her hatred.

☒ Kendall never thought of finding the baby's birth father. It was because she was reborn.

☒ In this life, she didn't walk into a trap and fell pregnant out of wedlock, so she could avoid the tragic death of the mother and daughter.

☒ “Mom missed Kelly and secretly went into the city without telling us to meet with Kelly. However, Mom was unfamiliar with the city, so she lost her phone and got into a car accident. She is seriously injured. Fortunately, she went to the hospital and performed an operation in time. The doctor says she has passed the critical stage.”

☒ “She wants to meet Kelly?” Kendall was surprised at first but quickly calmed down.

☒ Even though Kelly was not returning to the Woods Family, she couldn’t erase the fact that she was the Woods Family’s birth daughter.

☒ It is understandable for my adoptive parents to want to meet their birth daughter. “If Mom wants to meet Kelly, she can just tell me. I can pick her up and let her meet Kelly daily. There’s no need to be secretive.”

☒ After being silent for a while, Nelson said, “Mom doesn’t want to disturb your life, and your birth mother doesn’t want us to meet you often.”

☒ “Kelly is reluctant to see us too, so Mom decided to secretly meet her. However, she got hit by a car instead. Now, she is chanting Kelly’s name while lying on the hospital bed. I couldn’t bear to see that, so I sought Kelly out.”

☒ While walking, Kendall asked, “So, is Kelly in the ward now?”

☒ In Kendall’s opinion, Kelly would definitely visit her seriously injured biological mother despite not returning to the Woods Family.

☒ “She doesn’t want to meet us, so she definitely won’t be in the ward,” he mocked as it was obvious that he disliked Kelly.

☒ He then told Kendall what happened when he met Kelly.

☒ “She’s so cruel!”

☒ Kelly didn’t even bother to meet her birth mother, even if her mother was in a car accident.

☒ Recalling that Kendall’s adoptive parents died under Kelly’s trap in the previous life, she thought this was Kelly’s true nature. She was willing to kill her adoptive parents, who never even mistreated her.

☒ So, she wouldn’t care about her birth mother whom she had never met.

☒ “Kendall, please don’t tell Mom about this when you visit her. You can tell her that Kelly is on a business trip, so she’s not in Orapolis. I don’t want her to be sad and delay her recovery,” Nelson advised Kendall to tell a white lie.

☒ And so, she obliged with sadness.

☒ The woman she regarded as her own mother was despised by Kelly.

☒ At that point, Kendall’s resentment toward Kelly had deepened. When the siblings returned to the ward, they saw Kelly walking from the other side.

☒ She also brought Cameron, who was holding a bouquet of flowers and a fruit basket too.

☒ The fruit basket was heavy, so Cameron struggled to lift it. Despite that, Kelly didn't help and instead asked Cameron to walk with the bouquet and basket while following her.

Chapter 59 Why Frank?

☒ When Kelly saw the siblings, she stopped and asked Nelson concernedly, "How is she?"

☒ In the end, Kelly couldn't address Sally as her mom.

☒ She grew up in the Parker Family and was used to calling Charlotte her mother instead.

☒ On the other hand, she had only met her birth mother once.

☒ "Mom is in there. You will know after you go in."

☒ Kelly still came, so Nelson treated her better.

☒ Kendall glanced at Kelly. The latter had come here despite Nelson saying otherwise.

☒ Hence, Kendall felt that Kelly was not sincerely visiting her mom.

☒ However, no matter what, Mom will be happy to see her.

☒ "Kendall, let's go in together."

☒ Kelly took Kendall's hand affectionately and opened the door.

☒ Sally was lying on the bed with her eyes closed, her face pale. The blood pressure monitoring device was on the left side of the bed, and the drip was on the right side.

☒ "Mom."

☒ When Kendall saw her adoptive mother, she cried out in distress. She broke free from Kelly's hand and sat at the bedside.

☒ Hearing the familiar cry, Sally opened her eyes and saw that it was Kendall. At that, she smiled weakly. "Kendall, is that you? I'm not mistaken, right?"

☒ "Mom, it's me. I'm here to see you."

☒ Then, Kendall turned her head and said to Kelly, who was standing beside her, "Come on, you can talk to your mom."

☒ Now, Sally finally saw her birth daughter beside Kendall, and her expression lit up.

☒ She looked at Kelly expectantly, hoping that Kelly would call her mom.

☒ However, Kelly looked at her calmly, without the slightest fluctuation.

☒ There was only disgust in her eyes.

☒ Sally was about the same age as Charlotte. However, due to years of hard work and poor maintenance, Sally looked way older than Charlotte. Sally had white hair on her head and wrinkles on her face, and she looked way different from the pampered lady like Charlotte.

☒ “Miss Sanders.”

☒ Kelly turned her head and called for Cameron.

☒ “Yes, Vice President Parker?”

☒ Then, Cameron hurried forward and put down the fruit basket before handing the flower bouquet to Kelly.

☒ After taking the bouquet, Kelly put the flowers beside Sally and said, “I hope you like the bouquet of flowers that I got. I bought a basket of fruits as well. When you’re feeling better, you can have the fruits.”

☒ After speaking, Kelly opened her bag again and took out a stack of cash from it, more than what she had given Nelson.

☒ She put the wad of cash on the quilt and looked at Sally’s wrinkled face.

☒ Kelly’s voice was gentle but lacked emotion when she said, “There’s 20,000 here. You should use the money to eat something healthy. Don’t be afraid to use it; just tell me if you have exhausted it. I’ll give you more.”

☒ Sally was disappointed because Kelly would not address her as Mom. However, the older woman forced a smile on her face. “Kelly, I’m happy that you’re willing to visit me. I don’t want your money, though. Take it back.”

☒ Sally then looked at Nelson. “Nell, take the cash and give it back to your sister.”

☒ The driver who hit her paid the medical bills, and the insurance company paid for the accident too. The driver promised that he would pay her another sum too.

☒ Hence, there was no future medical expenses shortage for her.

☒ What Sally wanted was her birth daughter to address her as her mother.

☒ Nelson immediately picked up the 20,000 on the quilt and handed it back to Kelly.

☒ Kelly refused to accept it and said calmly, “I’m busy with work, so I can’t stay here long. The only thing I can give you is my money. If you don’t accept it, I’ll feel bad. Do you want to see me sad?”

☒ Kelly then took the cash and put it back on Sally’s quilt.

☒ “Kendall, I’m going back to the meeting. You should stay with her more often.”

☒ After speaking, Kelly hurried out with Cameron.

☒ Truth was, she didn’t want to visit her birth mother at all. It was her adoptive mother who reminded her about the accident, and Kelly only visited Sally because she didn’t want her adoptive mother to think she was cruel.

☒ “Kelly!”

☒ Kendall chased after and stopped her.

☒ Kelly turned around upon hearing that.

☒ “Kelly, that’s your birth mother. She got into a car accident because she wanted to meet you! Since you’re here, can’t you stay for another few minutes for her? Is your work more important than your mom?”

☒ Kelly signaled Cameron to go downstairs and wait for her.

☒ After he left, she walked to Kendall and smiled brightly and sweetly, which Kendall was not happy about and wanted to slap her for it.

☒ How dare she still smile with brilliance after her birth mother was involved in a car accident?!

☒ “She has you. She’s the one who raised you. Kendall, you call her mom and you have deep feelings for each other. You should stay with her instead of me.”

☒ “Although she is my mother, she has never raised me. I couldn’t bring myself to call her mom. My mother has always been Charlotte in my heart.”

☒ To Kelly, Kendall was the one who came to fight for Kelly’s mother and everything that belonged to her.

☒ People like Kendall should stay with someone like Sally.

☒ Kelly reached out and straightened Kendall’s clothes. “Kendall, you should stay with your mom. I’ll leave now. If you need any help, just call me.”

☒ After saying that, she turned around. With her head held high, she left.

☒ With an expressionless face, Kendall watched Kelly leave.

☒ After a moment, she recollected her thoughts. Turning around, she then returned to the ward.

☒ “Hello, excuse me.”

☒ Suddenly, a deep voice came from behind.

☒ Kendall turned her head and saw two men in black.

☒ She raised her eyebrows and asked defensively, “How may I help you?”

☒ “Hello, Ms. Parker. We are the bodyguards from the Mendelson Family. Our master wants to meet you. Please come with us.”

☒ The bodyguards from the Mendelson Family?

☒ Kendall asked suspiciously, “I’m not familiar with your master; why does he want to meet me?”

☒ “You bumped into our master and grabbed his tie. You should apologize to him. Please come with us. He said that we can be violent if you are not cooperative. You won’t want us to be rough with you, right?”

☒ When the master heard the name Kendall, he realized that she was the birth daughter of the Parker Family whom they had recognized a year ago.

- ☒ Then, he quickly ordered his men to look into Kendall's background and let them take her away.
- ☒ Kendall's expression changed after she heard what the bodyguards had said.
- ☒ That man earlier is none other than the head of the Mendelson Family, Frank Mendelson!
- ☒ Why Frank, though?
- ☒ I saw him in my past life a few times, but we had not conversed before. So, we are not even acquaintances.
- ☒ I only remember Frank's alluring eyes.
- ☒ Is Frank really the birth father of my daughter?
- ☒ "I'm sorry, but I won't go with you. Please tell your master that I will apologize to him on another day."
- ☒ Kendall rejected them because she couldn't bear to leave her injured adoptive mother. She was also not ready to face the father of her baby in a past life, and her mind was a mess.
- ☒ How did I hook up with Frank in my past life?
- ☒ I can't remember anything.
- ☒ If he took my virginity, why didn't he react to me at parties after I married into the Whittle Family?
- ☒ There are so many mysteries to be solved.
- ☒ "Ms. Parker, our master wants to meet you now. Please come with us."
- ☒ At that point, the bodyguards started to act firm.
- ☒

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- ☒ "I'm really sorry, but I can't go now."
- ☒ Kendall still refused to leave with the bodyguards.
- ☒ "Ms. Parker, don't blame us for being rude."
- ☒ Then, the bodyguards wanted to forcibly take Kendall away.
- ☒ Kendall instinctively attacked the bodyguards. They did not expect her to attack them.
- ☒ In their eyes, Kendall was a delicate woman.
- ☒ Even if Kendall attacked, they didn't take her resistance seriously until one of them was thrown over her shoulder and fell to the ground.
- ☒ That bodyguard lay on the floor and was in shock. The pain spread over his limbs as his lower body hit the floor hard.

- ☒ The other bodyguard was stunned as he looked at Kendall.
- ☒ Kendall clapped her hands and said, "I'll repeat—I can't leave to apologize to your master. I will do it in the future when I'm free, and I'll get him a generous gift as an apology."
- ☒ The bodyguard's attitude softened after he picked up his companion. Then, he said politely, "Ms. Parker, please reconsider and do not let our master down. He is a busy man; it is hard for him to find time to meet someone."
- ☒ "My mom is in the hospital because of an accident, so I will stay with her instead. You must have parents too. Would you want to leave your parents when they need you the most?"
- ☒ The bodyguards stayed silent.
- ☒ The bodyguard, who was thrown to the ground, took out a phone and called Frank. When Frank answered the phone, the bodyguard told him that Kendall refused to leave with them and emphasized that she knew martial arts.
- ☒ She could easily throw a bodyguard over her shoulder, so she had great skill and strength.
- ☒ Frank had received information about Kendall, so he knew she had learned sanda and taekwondo. However, he thought it was all talk until she trounced his bodyguard.
- ☒ After hearing the bodyguard's words, Frank stayed silent and hung up the phone.
- ☒ The bodyguard didn't know what he meant. After the call was cut off, they did not dare to leave.
- ☒ The bodyguards did not dare to stop Kendall from entering the ward either.
- ☒ They just stayed outside the ward.
- ☒ After a few minutes, Frank appeared at the ward's entrance, surrounded by other bodyguards.
- ☒ The bodyguards at the door respectfully called out, "Master."
- ☒ Frank signaled a bodyguard to knock on the door.
- ☒ "Who is it?"
- ☒ Nelson asked as he opened the door. Then, he saw the row of men in black standing at the door.
- ☒ Isn't the man in the center the one Kendall had bumped into earlier?
- ☒ "Hello, who are you looking for?"
- ☒ "I'm looking for Kendall Parker."
- ☒ Frank then continued in a deep voice, "Please let her out."
- ☒ "May I know who you are? And what business do you have with Kendall?"
- ☒ Frank's alluring eyes flickered, and he continued with the same deep voice, "She bumped into me and strangled me. She hasn't apologized to me yet."
- ☒ Nelson then paused for a beat before saying, "Okay. I'll ask Kendall to apologize to you."

☒ Truth was, Kendall had already seen Frank at the door earlier.

☒ She didn't expect Frank to come over in person.

☒ Did he recognize me?

☒ However, Frank didn't even remember my face in my past life; why will he recognize me now?

☒ Not to mention that he talked about the baby.

☒ After all, I had left my baby in my past life.

☒ Kendall was panicking at this moment.

☒ "Kendall."

☒ Nelson turned his head and called for his sister, but he found that she had disappeared from the bedside.

☒ "Kendall!" he shouted.

☒ Sally said weakly, "Kendall said that she was not feeling well, so she went to the toilet. Nell, apologize to that gentleman on behalf of Kendall."

☒ Sally heard what Frank said.

☒ It was natural for Frank to chase after Kendall for an apology, and she was in the wrong for not apologizing.

☒ Frank's gaze did not stay on Nelson and instead, he looked at Sally on the bed. After pursing his lips, he lifted his feet and entered the room.

☒ Nelson couldn't stop him. With their tall and mighty bodies, the bodyguards pushed Nelson away.

☒ "Greetings, Madam."

☒ Frank was polite when facing Sally.

☒ Upon hearing that, Sally muttered weakly, "Sir, I'm sorry my daughter didn't apologize to you after bumping into you. I'll let her apologize after she comes out of the toilet."

☒ "Madam, I'm looking for her to ask for just one thing."

☒ Asking Kendall for an apology was just a mere excuse.

☒ Sally and Nelson exchanged glances, and then he asked, "What is it?"

☒ Frank turned his head and stared at the toilet.

☒ Does she feel guilty, so she hides from me in the toilet?

☒ Did we really sleep and have a child together?

☒ I want to know if these are dreams or reality.

- ☒ Frank appeared in the hospital today because he had the same dream recently, just like Dylan.
- ☒ Frank thought he was having a problem and consulted a specialist.
- ☒ The difference was that Dylan dreamt of fighting against a woman he couldn't see.
- ☒ Frank dreamt of looking at a drunk woman on the bed. Then, he leaned down to kiss the woman with one hand on the woman's collar. After that, the scene changed to the woman he kissed having a big belly.
- ☒ The woman in his dream was Kendall Parker.
- ☒ As his dream was not connected, he thought it was merely his imagination. This was until Kendall had bumped into him, and he then realized that the woman in the dream existed and she was the birth daughter of the Parker Family.
- ☒ Frank was stunned by the fact.
- ☒ When he returned to his senses, he wanted to figure out the credibility of the dream.
- ☒ After all, he had undergone surgery for brain tumor removal. He suspected he might have lost his memory and forgotten some important matters, though his attending doctor said his surgery was a success and would have no side effects.
- ☒ Retracting his gaze, Frank asked Sally in a deep voice, "Madam, has Kendall ever conceived a child? What about the baby?"
- ☒ Sally stayed silent.
- ☒ She was so angry that she wanted to get up from the bed and chase this handsome man away.
- ☒ Unfortunately, she was injured and just went through a near-death experience, so she had no strength to chase him away.
- ☒ Fortunately, her son would do it for her.
- ☒ Presently, Nelson was so angry that he grabbed Frank's collar impulsively.
- ☒ The bodyguards were ready to stop him.
- ☒ However, Frank waved his hand, and the bodyguards retreated silently.
- ☒ Nelson's fist did not land on Frank's face, as Frank had grabbed Nelson's hand.
- ☒ "Mr. Woods, I just need an answer. If I've offended you, I apologize."
- ☒ Frank shook off Nelson's hand and said indifferently, "I don't want to be rough with you. If a fight breaks out, you will lose."
- ☒ I will take responsibility if I really slept with Kendall and had a child.
- ☒ Even if she doesn't want to marry me, I will support her and her mother for the rest of their lives.

☒ Nelson glanced at the bodyguards and barked, “Who did you hear that from? How dare you slander Kendall? She is a proper lady and doesn’t even have a boyfriend! How could she be pregnant and have a child? Tell me who told you that lie. I’ll settle this matter with them! As her brother, I will f*cking beat them to death!

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