

## My Eye 301

### Chapter 301 Agreeing To Meet

Isla paused for an unusually long time before she mustered the courage to answer Jina's burning question, "Aron."

Upon hearing their daughter utter his name, both Jina and John were taken aback with shock. For a moment, they assured one another that they had heard the wrong name or that Isla was cracking an elaborate prank. But, when they noticed unwavering seriousness set on Isla's face, they realized that they heard it right, Aron was Isla's boyfriend.

"Have you gone crazy?" Jina looked at Isla, in shock as she has still not recovered from the blow. She asked, "Have you not received enough grief from him yet? And now you are going to walk towards the cause of your own unhappiness like a moth flies into the fire?"

"Mom, I have thought it over in depth and trust me have thought about all aspects of our relation before I even considered taking it forward." Isla said to her parents with determination, "I want to be with Aron. Besides, from now on, I will never have to go on a blind date as I am in a committed and happy relationship with Aron"

"You..." At this point, Jina was so angry that she involuntarily raised her hand, but she could not get herself slap Isla. "It is no wonder that Stephen told me he saw you staying with a man and then swore at you as a bitch. I was so annoyed with his nonsense talk that I almost had a fight with him that day. After hearing your confession I feel ridiculous to have defended you in that manner."

Jina gave out a bitter smile. She continued to speak to Isla, "Why do you insist on being with Aron Gu? Don't you think he hasn't hurt you enough for the pain to last a lifetime?"

John used to respect Isla's choice. But this time, he decided not to support Isla at all as he was dead set against the idea of Aron and Isla together.

"Isla, no matter what decisions you made in the past, I always supported you with blind faith and love. But this time you have taken it very far!" John gave Isla a serious look as he continued speaking, "I don't care about what has happened between Aron and you earlier. But now, after all of that history it is impossible for you to share a relationship with him. There is just no way!"

she had to convince her parents but what she did not expect was that, both her dad and mom would outright deny Aron a chance without

should break up with that guy the minute you can. I mean what's wrong with Stephen? You should not have picked a fight with him

as much as she did. It had been quite a while since she lost her temper like today. She also then began to

Jina went blank for a moment, but soon she came back to her senses and answered, "At least, unlike Aron Gun, he won't make out with your cousin when you have a relationship with each other. Now that Aron Gu has returned for a reunion. Today I have to make something crystal clear in advance, I will never, ever approve of your

went blank when she heard such harsh

the line with your words, Jina. You can speak in an appropriate tone. Isla is not a little baby." John held Jina back, and pacified

first. And right before their wedding, he broke up with your daughter somehow, and in no time was he about to marry Becky. And now after all that drama, he had changed his mind yet

live a hard and sad life if you always care about what others think of you." Isla too lost her temper as she responded to Jina, "Mom, you said you wondered what my reason was to break up with Stephen. OK, so I

as it happened on that fateful day. Finally, she looked into Jina's eyes, and said, "Mom, I admit that I am not young anymore, but you must understand that it is even my desire to marry a man of excellent character. After all, who hopes that their marriage will end up in a divorce? Keeping that in mind, do you really think I will lead a better life if I marry a man like Stephen?

frowned upon hearing Isla's story, and asked, "You silly girl, why could you have just not told us any sense had I told you the truth?" Isla had no choice. She knew her parents advised her to marry Stephen for her welfare. But they also didn't expect for such thing to happen with their daughter, either. Isla didn't want them to worry about her

in a relationship with Aron." After knowing the truth, Jina felt deeply remorseful for all that she said, so her tone slowly mellowed down, "Our suggestion to marry Stephen was our fault, as we didn't exactly get acquainted with Stephen in haste. But Isla this does not mean that we approve

to shout at her mother again, but her father stopped her in the nick of time.

always a woman who could be persuaded only by reason but not be cowed by force. Therefore, if Isla continued to go against her, Jina wouldn't allow her to reunite

### **Chapter 302 I Can't Let It Go**

Coincidentally, Aron was going to meet Isla's parents at Fu Ji Restaurant today. Sam and his parents arrived at Fu Ji Restaurant first, followed by Chris and Gary. Autumn and Charles arrived at around 6 pm and they were the last.

"Charles, " Chris greeted while standing up first, as Charles and Autumn entered the compartment. She walked up to them, took Autumn's hand and sat her down next to herself. She was so nervous that she wanted to sit beside Autumn.

"Take a seat here, " Jamie said to Charles. Jane sat beside Jamie, silently. Perhaps she was worried that Charles might still be blaming her for her rude behavior towards Autumn the other day. She remained silent because she was afraid that she would say something wrong and destroy Sam's marriage to Chris.

As Sam had already ordered the food, they started to eat in a merry atmosphere. Charles drank with Jamie and they had a pleasant conversation. They almost finished their meal, but no one had mentioned anything about the wedding. Jane was starting to lose her patience.

"Don't forget why we came here, " Jane reminded Jamie in a low voice, pulling his sleeve with hesitation.

"I know, " Jamie nodded at her. "Mr. Lu, we came here to discuss Sam's marriage with Chris. I want to know your thoughts on the matter. If you agree, we can begin with preparations for their wedding. We have planned to fix their wedding ceremony next spring. What do you think?" Jamie said to Charles.

Sam's parents stared at the Lu family nervously. They feared that the Lu family might oppose to Chris and Sam's wedding, because of Jane's offensive behavior towards Autumn.

"Sam is our only son. When they get married, we'll treat Chris as our own daughter. We'll try to meet all your expectations, " Jane added hurriedly.

him, we will support her decision.

"I'm old now, so I won't be of any help to

Chris acted in an amiable and sensible manner. When she heard what Charles and Gary come alone, without his grandparents

the Zhao family for half an hour in the compartment. Isla had urged Jina to

entered the compartment. John nodded at Aron, while Jina wore a grim look on her face;

was in a haste to pull the chair for Jina. After she sat down, he did the same for Isla. "Aunt, Isla, here is the menu. Please order whatever you like." He turned to Jina and Isla, handing the menu

with Aron, she ordered the most expensive dishes. "Mom, that's enough. The four of us

at Isla with dissatisfaction. "You

as her cheeks reddened. 'I didn't mean it, ' thought Isla to herself.

okay, Isla, " said Aron. He then turned to Jina and said,

heard from Isla that you had a gastric perforation. Wine

John

At least Jina cared about Aron, which meant that Jina

### **Chapter 303 Are You Crazy**

"Mother, his grandmother has already apologized. She didn't mean to be unkind. Becky said that I seduced Aron and incited her to go to my office. Her judgement was clouded by Becky's flattery and made-up stories, " Isla explained eagerly about the unpleasant incident. However, it seemed as if Jina wasn't listening to her at all. In fact, she didn't believe Isla; she thought Isla was lying.

Aron smiled as he said, "I am sorry for what Isla had to go through because of my grandmother. I should have told her that I trusted her and supported her. Aunt Jina, you can put a hit out on me or shout at me if you want. Whatever you want done with me, I will accept it. All I am asking for is your permission for taking care of Isla from now on."

Aron paused for a fraction of a second and then continued, "My grandmother told me the truth as soon as she woke up. Becky is a scheming woman. She has apologized to Isla personally the moment she found out about that. If you're not willing to let that go, I will do whatever you ask of me, "

Said Aron, as he stared at Jina with imploring eyes. Jina furrowed her eyebrows because Aron's polite attitude had caught her off guard. It was hard to say no to a gentleman like Aron. Jina didn't mind being his mother-in-law. Her resolution to object to Aron and Isla's relationship began to stagger. However, the fact that Isla had suffered a lot and had been unhappy all these years made Jina headstrong about objecting to their union. Aron was the one who abandoned Isla, so he should be the one to make efforts to win her back.

Jina took a sip of water while she was thinking about how to punish Aron for Isla's hardships.

Before their conversation could continue, the waitress came in to serve the dishes.

As they had the supper, Aron occasionally put some food and soup into Jina's bowls. Jina's dissent was slowly driven away by Aron's consideration, bit by bit.

When they finished eating, Aron asked gently, "Aunt, would you like some dessert or something else?"

"No, " Jina sighed and said, "I am full. There is no need to waste money. It's not easy for you, youngsters to earn money."

She had already ordered quite a lot of dishes to air her anger at him. Usually she would order just the right amount of food needed. There was no use in wasting food as well as money.

Hearing Jina's words, Aron turned to John and expressed his regret, "Uncle, I am sorry I haven't been well in the past few days, so I didn't have a drink with you. When I recover, I will surely meet you for a drink."

like he had let

towards a person even just after

they were having supper, but he kept a watchful eye on Aron. No matter how aggressive Jina was, he didn't look impatient. The way he

endeavor, so he agreed to give his beloved daughter's hand to Aron from

muttered under his breath, 'Since Isla loves Aron, I will allow them

Jina stared at John with obvious discontent and said, "Drinking is not good for your health. Even when

with a

got past all the unpleasant memories after seeing such obedience in Aron, although she

Jina made up her mind to

her cup she asked

I would like to be Isla's boyfriend and I hope that you will give us your blessing. Whatever you want me to do, I will do it. I

very easy. Have all your property

mother, "Mother, I love him and not his money. Why would you

eyes. Isla was worried that Aron would misunderstand her motives. She loved Aron, just the person, not his money.

I don't want any of those!" said Isla, gripping Aron's hand when she failed to read his eyes. Aron hesitated for a while and then asked, "Isla, I want to have a private

furrowed, "There's nothing more to talk about! Mother, I will be with Aron whether you agree or not. If you insist on belittling

tears ready to burst out of her eyes. She was about to storm out of the room when Aron stopped her. He gave Isla a hard pull, and urged

it was hard to tell what he was thinking about. He gave Isla a pat on the shoulder and comforted her. "Give us a minute. It's

she was worried that her mother would make things difficult

#### **Chapter 304 Not The Company's Shares**

"Why are you being so upset over this?" Autumn was amused by Isla and said to her, "Don't you trust Aron?"

"No, I..." Isla was muddled by Autumn's question, she asked herself whether she really doubted Aron's ability to solve the problem.

The answer was, yes.

She didn't trust Aron from the beginning up to the end.

She kept saying that she believed in Aron's words, but in fact, from four years ago to the present day, she never really believed in his words.

It was the truth four years ago, and it would still be the truth four years later.

May be it was just as the old saying had suggested, "a bystander is always clear-minded". Autumn could clearly see what Isla's problem was. Isla never really trusted Aron from the beginning, up until the end.

"It's not that I don't trust him. It's... How do I say it?" Isla thought that Jina's conditions were quite excessive. She was afraid that after all the problems they had gone through to be together again, their hardships will have been in vain because of Jina.

"Autumn, It is so hard for me and Aron to come to this. From the moment I found out that he came to me even though he had stomach perforation, I've realized that he is the most important person in my entire life. I could never be with another guy, because no matter who I'm with, Aron would always be in my heart." This was the first time Isla had spoken about her feelings for Aron to another person, "But you are right, I don't trust him, maybe it was because I don't trust myself. I always feel that a person as good as him would not even take a look at a Cinderella like me."

continued, "What did you tell me when I was with Charles, why would a person really feels unless you try walking a mile in their shoes.

Isla's hesitation, so she tried to comfort her, "Relax, Aron is a person worthy of your trust for life. You can wait and

was asking Autumn,

Isla away with an excuse was actually for him to discuss this matter with his parents. Aron

to speak about?" Jina sat up straight in a leading posture and asked Aron in

assets to Isla's name, she just wanted

lot of things have happened in the past. I know that you've doubted my feelings for Isla, but now that I'm here, I'd like to talk about it with you." Aron frowned and told them how he was set up by Becky four years ago; he pushed himself to confess everything to the parents of the Zhao family. He paused for a moment and then said to them, "I'm not telling you this to escape from my responsibility, but I feel that... You have the right

when he heard this from Aron, according to his recollection Becky was a good person. He

frowned slightly and said to Aron in front of him, "Since it's

too much because of this. She got used to hiding the pain in her heart no

here today, to solve this problem." Aron smile and kept going on, " I have made things clear with Becky, I promise to protect Isla if she continues to disturb

said, Jina was too hard to believe, " Are

do." Aron said humbly, "I have two real-estates in Y City, one of them I want to leave to my grandparents, but the other one, I am willing to transfer its ownership to Isla's name as

can give them to Isla as long as you will allow me to marry your daughter." Aron said it sincerely, so that John and Jina

### **Chapter 305 Confession**

Aron and Isla's parents left the compartment, looking quite satisfied. Meanwhile, Aron was surprised to see Autumn and Isla sitting together. "Hey, Autumn. What brings you here?" he asked.

"Hey, Aron, " Autumn said, standing up.

"I happened to meet Isla while I'm dining here. We just had a chat for a bit.

Are you guys heading out now?"

"Yeah, " Aron answered with a smile.

"Thank you for keeping her company today. I appreciate it, " he continued, noticing Isla's plump reddened eyes.

"No worries, " Autumn replied.

"Bye, Isla!"

Isla nodded, smiling back at her friend. She couldn't help but feel uneasy after Autumn left. Curious as she was, she couldn't just ask Sam what had happened after she left the compartment in front of Jina and John.

"Aron, your uncle and I are going to drop by the supermarket to buy something. Take Isla to her apartment, will you?"

Jina asked, looking at Isla.

"I will, Aunt, " Aron replied with a warm smile on his face.

After paying the bill, he noticed that Jina and John had already left. "There's a park nearby. Shall we take a walk?" he proposed, taking Isla by the hand.

Isla nodded her head in approval as she held Aron's hand. Bombarded by her thoughts, she decided to ask him a question.

you agree to my mother's proposal?" "I did, "

of your mind?!" she exclaimed, looking

you

think it's

don't think it's unreasonable at all,

your parents and they gave us the blessing

we should be able to resolve, " he continued,

get me wrong. I just feel that you don't have much

do, " he hurriedly tried to explain as he captured a

Aron in return, remaining silent.

about it. I will stay faithful no matter what you say or do to me. But I don't think you feel the same way. I just want to be able to talk about this so this doesn't put a strain on our relationship,

that they could

to me about this, " Isla said with a bitter smile.

I can't fully trust you. Perhaps it's because I don't really have much confidence in

"I don't understand.

you say so?" Aron

man. You have everything in life you could ask for. How can you possibly fall in love with someone like me?" Isla confessed, unable to look him straight in the eye. "I guess I've always seen myself as inferior

discussion with Aron, relieved to finally get the truth off her chest. She knew they had

to hear what Isla said. This had never crossed

hesitation, he decided to ask her a question. "Isla, do you

"

slightly hinted about the history of their acquaintance, but she had always been ignorant

is my

discomfort painting his

Isla stared blankly at Aron as she realized that it must be difficult to hear

### **Chapter 306 Meet Rachel Again**

"So Isla you don't have to belittle yourself or even bring your own self down. Every family has its skeletons in the closet. I love you, because of your kindness and sincerity. No one could replace you. Do you understand me?" Aron said firmly yet gently while holding Isla by her shoulders. "Yes, I understand now," responded Isla, finally enlightened.

"Aron, no matter what happens in the future, I know that you can handle it."

"Yes, it seems that you have come round now," said Aron, letting out a sigh of relief. He grinned, feeling relieved seeing that Isla is no longer emotionally crippled. As soon as he sent Isla back, Aron began to negotiate with his grandparents their meeting with Isla's parents.

"Have you made up your mind? You should be clear about everything this time," said Joanna. Though Joanna and Mike did not show any disapproval, they reminded Aron to think twice before making such a big decision. After all marriage is one of the most important events in a man's life. Aron was no exception. That big wedding fiasco with Becky had left a very bad taste in the mouth for Joanna and Mike so much that the fear still lingered.

"Yes, I have thought about it for a long time. I know what I am doing." Aron replied to reassure his grandparents. "I choose Isla to be the one I will spend the rest of my life with. It feels right this time. I know that this is the best decision I have made my entire life. That's why I am going to need your support.

"Very well. If that is where you stand then we will be 100% behind you on this. Like we always say, you are a grown man now and you are entitled to your own decisions. We trust your sound judgement. We have interfered with your love life before, and it brought you nothing but pain and agony. It almost killed your grandmother! But..." Saying this, Mike furrowed his eye brows and paused.

"What, grandpa?" Aron knew that when this happened, his grandparents were about to say something really important.



"Aron, your uncle is coming back soon, " said Joanna. Joanna looked at Aron worryingly and continued, "Aron, you have been living with us for so many years and your uncle is not happy about it. He thinks that we have paid too much attention to you or even spoiled you. That is why he doesn't want you to change your surname to your mother's. I am afraid that he'd give you trouble. So you should watch out."

"Yes, he is your uncle but he is also my son. Your grandma and I are no longer young. We are too old to poke our noses into your uncle's business. Anyway, you have to take care of yourself. I am worried about you, but we could do nothing to help you. The time will come when your grandpa and I will also have to leave this earth. Aron, you must understand us." Joanna and Mike couldn't help but feel sad that they were helpless in this situation. They should be living a peaceful and happy retirement. Instead, their son married a vicious woman who was ready to give them hell. Had they foreseen that, they would have stopped their son from getting married to that woman. But it was too late.

time.. Nor could they

worry, grandma. I will take care of it. I know how to handle it." Though Aron was as helpless as they were when he heard this news, he had to accept it and

to face much

nothing." Joanna let out a sigh and then went on, "It is my fault. All our children married the wrong person. Your mother shouldn't have married Simon and I didn't expect that he would betray her. Your uncle also married a vicious woman

comfort her. "It is late, grandma. You should go to bed

When his grandparents went back to their bedroom, Aron went to his study room to resume and catch up on unfinished work. It was time for him to deal with it

uncle who was coming back soon. He didn't want to get his grandparents to be caught

the early morning, not returning till late at night. Even if he came back early, he would only keep himself inside his

no choice since the company had gone through a serious speed bump. Though Charles always said that the cooperation with Light House Company was of no great importance, Autumn knew that he was under great pressure. However, Charles

Now that Isla had cleared the air with Aron, she had become very cheerful. Taking a look at her arrangement, Autumn nodded slightly. "Okay, wait for a moment. Let's go somewhere nice after I send this email." replied

wait for you then." Isla nodded and sat down, waiting

going? Did yesterday go well?" Autumn

handled it properly, " replied Isla. She blushed out of embarrassment and then went on to add, "I am really

are my best friend. Never regard me as an

Promise Company was going to hold a new product press conference here. Though it was a little bit far from the downtown area, it had

Though she wore sunglasses, she also saw Autumn immediately. With a sly smile, she rushed up and greeted her. "Wow, Autumn, you are also here. What

### **Chapter 307 Why Are You So Mean**

"Well, okay. But we did not come to check in," Autumn said coolly. She had already known that the hotel was owned by Rachel at the moment, making it impossible for her to want to stay there for even a night.

"Well, what you are here for then?" Rachel asked, looking confused.

"Here is the thing." One has to be humble when trapped in an inferior situation. Autumn had no choice but to explain it to Rachel. "You might have known that there will be a launch event here by the Giant Promise Company. We are here for a preview of this venue today. We have to make the preparations for the stage backdrop and other relevant things. Could you please take us there?"

"I'm afraid not." Rachel turned Autumn down without even thinking, which got on Isla's nerves at once, "What did you mean by no? Are you being difficult with us right now?" Isla said stepping forward towards Rachel.

"Isla." Autumn caught hold of Isla's hand, giving a sign to calm her down. Afterwards, she said to Rachel, "Miss Bai, could you explain more on what you said just now?"

The Giant Promise Company has paid the deposit to the hotel for the reservation. Are you trying to scrap the contract by preventing us to evaluate the site now?"

"Please calm down." With a slight smile on her face, Rachel continued, "The Giant Promise Company is a key client in this hotel. The last thing we would do is to displease them, isn't it?"

"Then why are you turning us down right now?"

"Miss Ye, I know there have been some misunderstandings between you and me before. But those things had passed, which I hope would not be distractions in the future between us. Don't you agree?" What Rachel had just said only confused Autumn even more. Autumn could do nothing but keep her cool.

"As you know, I have taken over the hotel not long ago. So the decorations in the rooms remain as they are originally, which were done by the previous stylist. After all, we don't want to cause any delay

of the hotel. So, as you can see, the style here is outdated for me. So I decided to redecorate it starting with the assembly

just to get the

I don't mean to be hard on you. But the stage inside had been demolished already. If you go inside... there will be nothing you can do. It's being painted by

The materials we are

at the first sight. She had a strong feeling that Rachel was hiding the truth. What Rachel was doing was to stop

no doubt that we businesspeople want to increase our revenue. And we achieve it by improving our service. That is why we have planned the redecoration before. It is really... It hasn't been long since I have taken over this job. I did not

are. You are just being mean to us." Isla no longer

the re-decoration?" Autumn was more calm than Isla. Though it was clear that Rachel was just being hard on them, there was nothing she could do. On the other hand, she knew it was of no help to fall out over this.

worry. I will keep an eye on the decorations and make sure that the workers finish the job on time. Well, it will

down. It was less than a month before the launch event. If the

unfortunately I couldn't help with that." Rachel said matter-of-factly. "And I will try my best to push the workers to work

such, Autumn thought she'd better stay quiet. There seemed nothing she could do but to roll with the situation. It was totally bad luck to be

Bai, then please inform me once the re-decoration

very sorry to let you

### **Chapter 308 Back To The Hometown (Part One)**

"Don't push me!" Jina retorted, giving her daughter, Isla a dissatisfied glance. "We have lived here, away from home for a long time. Do you think it's proper for us to return empty handed? Without bringing our relatives any presents? That is unthinkable. Besides, we are going back to our hometown to celebrate your grandma's birthday. It's important to please her and honor her. Also, there is someone else who hasn't come yet. What's the hurry?"

"Huh? What do you mean? We are all here. Who else is coming?" Isla asked. 'Mom and dad are here. Of course I'm here! Why did she say that?' Isla wondered.

"You'll know it soon enough, " Jina replied with a playful smile on her face. She turned around and returned to pack up their luggage.

Isla couldn't rest her mind, thinking about what her mother said. Right at that time, the doorbell rang. She went to the door and opened it; there was Aron standing with a bright smile. "Aron! What are you doing here? Didn't I tell you that I was going to return to my hometown with my parents?" Isla wasn't very pleased.

"Is Aron coming in, Isla?" Jina asked, quickly walking towards the two. "Come in Aron. Glad you could make it. Isla, be a nice little lady and pour him a cup of tea. Please wait a moment. We still have many parcels to pack." Jina said to Aron with a warm smile.

"That's ok. Don't mind me." Aron returned the smile.

"Well? Why are you still here? Go get him some tea!" Jina urged, nudging Isla towards the kitchen.

After pouring Aron a cup of tea, Isla finally figured it out. "Wait... are you going to come with us?" she asked while handing the cup of tea to Aron.

I am. Surprise!" Aron replied smiling, looking at

crazy? Why did you ask Aron to come with us?" Isla called out. 'Mandy had also just come back to our hometown. The relatives think that Aron would be marrying Becky. This time, her family will attend grandma's birthday. Once they see Aron, they

with dissatisfaction. "Aron, don't listen to my mom. Just go home now."

that happen,

tenderly, grabbing Isla's hand.

at Isla, slightly irritated at her daughter. "I just want to let those bitches know that my daughter isn't an old maid. Didn't they laugh at you and say that you couldn't find a boyfriend? I'll tell them that my daughter is going to get married and her boyfriend is the

Isla deserved it. After that, Mandy went back to their hometown to give out invitations. Their relatives buttered her up and spoke ill of Isla. Now Aron was

time..." Isla scowled at her mother. "Dad, do you

need to show

Aron comes with us, it will be extremely awkward for him. Many people will ask him about Becky. Aron will feel

speak in Isla's favor, Jina gave him a piercing glance. "Isla, your mom is right. Now that you and Aron have decided to get married, he has to face this sooner or later. Your grandma's birthday is a good chance for that. I am sure that she will be glad

Dad..." Isla pouted her lips

now. Ignore what they said,

tone, gripping her hand tightly. "You can't let him leave, do you

### **Chapter 309 Back To The Hometown (Part Two)**

"Is Isla back?" Kay asked enthusiastically. Although Isla was reluctant to speak with her, she couldn't avoid greeting her neighbor in a civil manner. "Yeah, I'm back, Kay. How have you been lately?" Isla asked, barely forcing a smile on her face.

"I've been doing all right, " replied Kay, who was well known for having a big mouth in the village. "Our Isla is such a beautiful girl. You look just like what your mother when she was about your age, " Kay praised, gripping Isla by her hand and observing her carefully.

"Do I? Thank you, " Isla replied pleasantly. "You're looking very young as well, " continued Isla.

"You always speak out pleasing words just as you did when you were a little girl, " Kay said and laughed, amused by Isla's compliments. "Isla, you will be thirty after New Year, right?" she asked.

"Yeah, " Isla answered. "I will turn thirty next year, " she continued. Upon hearing Kay mentioning her age, Isla had guessed what Kay was going to say next.

"Are you still single?" Kay asked. "I don't mean to lecture you, but for a woman, marriage and having a child are the most important things. You're not getting any younger. You should marry a good man so that your parents won't worry about you, " she continued while taking Isla's hand, when Isla didn't respond.

"You're right. I will get married as soon as possible, " Isla returned patiently. She nodded or answered in agreement, no matter what Kay said to her. She just hoped that Kay could finish soon and leave her alone.

"Your parents have worked so hard all their lives to provide a good education for you. You should return their favor and help them to stop worrying about you. Am I right?" Kay went on as she saw Isla nodding, "I happen to know someone who is about your age. If you agree, I will arrange for you to meet him if you are satisfied with him."

She sighed, then continued, "The man is 35 and he is a carpenter with a handsome earning. Two years ago, his wife died. Now he lives alone with his son. He heard that you came home, so he asked me to inquire about you."

you ought to lower your expectations, after all, you're not very young anymore. He said he would try his best to satisfy your needs, " Kay

was pretty and hadn't been married before. Therefore,

I..." Isla tried to refuse. "Kay, stop winding up my daughter, that carpenter is a cripple. If you think so highly of him, you can save him for yourself. After all, you are a

complete sentence. "You're such an ungrateful woman. I was just trying to help Isla. She is almost 30 and still unmarried. If she doesn't get married soon, she will be the subject of the entire village's gossip and ill-willed rumors. Can't you

of the fact that many people in the village labeled Isla as a loose woman because she had past her best age for marriage and had

convinced that Isla would marry

had asked Aron to come along with them, that way, their neighbors would stop

village, my daughter must... get married to an excellent

you've said about Isla behind our backs. I'm warning you; you'd better stop being nosy. Isla has a boyfriend. If you don't have anything to do, at least, you should pay more attention to your

surrounding there sunk into silence dumbfounded. As the Zhao family had lived in poverty, they were despised by the villagers. Later, Mandy had gone to the college in the city and married a rich man. People in the village had been eager to please Mandy, and meanwhile, bullied Jina. This time, Jina could stand tall before

a boyfriend? Where is he?" Kay asked scornfully. She didn't believe Jina for one moment. "Today is Isla's grandma's birthday, why didn't

you that he wasn't here?" Jina retorted with a cheeky smile on her face. She had been waiting for this moment.

the corner carrying the gifts in his hand. "Aron, come here, " she

put down the bags, and shook off the dust on his hands. "Aunt Jina, what's up? There are still some gifts in the trunk, " he said after he walked

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"Have you seen him? Isn't my son-in-law a handsome young man? He is much better than that carpenter, isn't he?" Jina asked Kay, putting on a smirk. "I advise you to pay more attention to yourself. Don't bother yourself with my daughter's marriage, " Jina continued triumphantly.

Kay stared at Aron in confusion. He looked very familiar, but she couldn't recall where she had met him before.

Jina walked away to greet other neighbors complacently. "Today is my mother's birthday. Please join us for dinner if you're free, " she said to them, as she gave some gifts away.

'The more, the merrier, ' Jina thought to herself with delight.

"Sure!" the neighbors responded. They still looked down upon Jina, secretly, even though they took gifts from her.

Soon Jina had finished handing out all the gifts. When she was about to go inside, she heard the honking of car horns from a far distance. She turned around and caught sight of Becky and Mandy inside the car.

Dressed like a highborn lady, Mandy greeted neighbors with a smile while getting out of the car. Her eyes, however, were full of contempt.

She always considered herself to be superior than the rest of them. Every time she came back, it would remind her that once she wasn't a rich lady but just a country bumpkin from the impoverished mountains.

That's why she rarely came back.

This time only Becky and Mandy showed up. Mandy's husband had only come here once; at his wedding ceremony with Mandy.

"Mom, I'll go inside first, " Becky said to Mandy. Becky had driven Mandy here. As soon as she got out of the car, she saw Aron's car and felt uncomfortable. Now she just wanted to hide and avoid being seen by somebody else.

too. Therefore, she had intended to show her

Becky's impolite behavior. "Becky looks more beautiful day by day. Last time you wrote to

She didn't know what to say to them. "They delayed it for an important reason.

it all of a sudden?" the neighbor continued. "Mandy, I am telling you that you must urge Becky to get married as soon as possible. You know our traditions. See, Isla is almost 30 but she is still

spilling the beans if she stayed there.

was in a haste to get inside the house. "I get it now, " Kay cried out while patting her thigh, as

trying to say?" a few neighbors asked, as they walked up to

came here with Isla four years ago. We were told that they were going to get married, "

time, they were in an intimate relationship, but then, didn't he fall in love

when we mentioned Becky's wedding. Isla stole her son-in-law, " Kay went on with

in front of us. This

a complicated

that I will... see an interesting show in their house tonight, ' Kay

feelings, but all her efforts were in vain, the moment she saw Aron and Isla standing in front of her hand in hand. She was fixated on their hands; clasped to

Becky, the happy couple had carried all the gifts and presents inside and placed them near the Christmas tree.

" Isla continued, feeling a

back at them shortly and walked

of humiliation. 'Aron looks so happy with Isla. In the four years that we had been together, not once have