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Before Luna could even finish her sentence, the door to Gwen's room was flung open.

Gwen stormed out of the room and desperately grabbed Rachel's hands. "What happened, Dr. Liddell? Is Steven..."

Tears brimmed in her eyes as she stared earnestly at Rachel. "Is... Is he Luke?"

When she saw the look in Gwen's eyes, Rachel bit her lip and sighed. Then, she reached out to hold Gwen's hand in consolation. "Gwen, why don't you first tell me how you're doing?"

Gwen had just received her heart transplant less than two months ago, and Rachel was worried that Gwen's heart would not be able to handle the news she had to give.

"I'm doing well." Gwen bit her lip as tears slid down her cheeks. "Please tell me the truth, Dr. Liddell. I promise that I can handle it."

A twinge of pain shot through Luna's heart at the sight of this. She strode over to them and picked up a tissue to gently dab at Gwen's tears. "No matter what happens, Gwen, promise me that you'll face the truth, okay?"

Gwen nodded as tears slid down her face, landing on the tissue Luna offered.

Rachel could not help sighing at this. She fixed her gaze on Luna and Gwen, then sighed again. "I've already sent a sample of Steven's DNA to the DNA Diagnostic Center; the results will be ready tomorrow. By then..."

She let out an exhale. "We'll finally be able to know whether Steven is Luke or not. Even though I have a rough guess myself, I still think we shouldn't simply come to a conclusion before obtaining concrete evidence."

Gwen's entire body stiffened upon hearing this.

Disappointment flashed across her face, but a split second later, it was replaced with resolution. "You're right, Dr. Liddell. You're a very observant person. A DNA report... will truly be the best proof we can get of Steven's true identity."

The scars and calluses on Steven's hands could be explained in many ways, but there was no lying about one's DNA.

When she finally sensed Gwen calming down, Rachel sighed and said slowly, "However, I ran into a familiar face just now."

“Who?”

“Kate.” Rachel curled her lips into a smirk and glanced at Gwen. “Steven came to find me without Kate or her family’s knowledge, so the place he had brought me to was his private residence.

“However, less than an hour after our arrival, Kate appeared. Not only that, but she behaved even more aggressively than she had been while working as Luke’s assistant and literally kicked the door down.

“She thought I was Gwen and had come to stop Steven from talking to me and prevent him from believing anything I said.”

With that, Rachel stood up and added, “I can’t help but suspect that Steven is, in fact, Luke, just based on her behavior alone. Otherwise, she wouldn’t have been so desperate to stop Steven from meeting Gwen at all.

“After all, Steven had never left this city and, therefore, would never have met Gwen, so why was Kate so worried about them seeing each other?”

Gwen bit her lip and wrung her hands nervously. “Dr. Liddell, what if the DNA report shows that Steven is actually Luke?”

“If that happens, can you explain to me what really happened to Luke to make him this way? Because...”

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Gwen bit her lip anxiously. “When I interacted with him today, I couldn’t help noticing that his behavior and even the way he talked was entirely different from how Luke used to...”

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The atmosphere in the room suddenly turned quiet.

Rachel furrowed her brow and turned to stare at Gwen with a look of disbelief.

Rachel was a doctor who specialized in the treatment of comatose patients, so she had seen plenty during her time and was thus always able to keep calm even in stressful situations.

To be frank, Rachel’s first impression of Gwen had not been a good one.

Rachel remembered the numerous times Gwen had tried to escape from Luke while in Merchant City. Not only that, but she even witnessed Gwen trying to persuade Kate to help her take care of Luke after she was gone.

Therefore, Rachel had always thought of Gwen as a labile and extremely emotionally-driven person.

However, this same woman was asking her about Luke's demise so calmly and in such a collected manner that it shocked Rachel.

She glanced again at Gwen, frowning. "I thought that after running into Steven, your entire brain would be so preoccupied with thoughts of Luke that you wouldn't be able to think straight."

Gwen paused for a moment, then let out a self-deprecating laugh. "To be quite honest, I had lost all rationality when I first laid eyes on Steven, but I'm so familiar with Luke that I remember every last detail on his body and regarding his mannerisms.

"Therefore, when I realized that Steven's body language and behavior were totally different from Luke's, I quickly regained my rationality and learned to think straight."

Gwen sighed and fixated her gaze on Rachel. "So...does this mean that Steven is Luke?"

Rachel sighed, stood up, and turned to gaze at the snowing city outside. "I'm reluctant to come to any conclusion before the DNA results come out, but I can say with ninety-percent certainty that Steven is, in fact, Luke, or at least..."

She paused for a moment. "At least, that body belongs to Luke."

Gwen momentarily faltered when she heard this.

She bit her lip and asked, "What are you trying to say...?"

"Have you ever thought-" Rachel turned to look at her. "Have you ever considered the possibility that something that you only see in movies could, in fact, happen in real life?"

"For example, the brain-restructuring surgeries you see in sci-fi movies are actually attainable in real life."

The entire room fell silent.

Luna stared dazedly at Rachel, unable to believe her ears.

How could this...

Gwen's jaw dropped, and she was so shocked that she could not utter a single word.

After a long time, she bit her lip and whimpered, "So you're saying that..."

"The Steven we see now is probably Steven's mind enclosed within Luke's body?"

"That's right." Rachel closed her eyes. "Even though these kinds of surgeries are theoretically attainable, it's extremely difficult to pull off in reality.

"That's because when transplanted into a new and foreign body, organs tend to reject each other, which is why many transplant patients die of complications related to organ rejection. "As one of the most vital organs in the human body, the brain is even more susceptible to rejection from the receiver body.

"If Steven and Luke had truly undergone this operation, their success could only mean one thing..."

Rachel lifted her head. "The only reason that could explain the success of Steven and Luke's operation is that they're twin brothers."

Gwen instinctively took a step back.

How could this...

How could this be?

Did this mean that the heart that was beating inside her chest was Steven's?

Since Steven had given her his heart, this meant that he had died, while Luke's body had taken the place of Steven's.

However, this meant that Luke's body was nothing but a vessel for Steven's brain!

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If this were the case...it would perfectly explain why Steven had been acting so differently.

Gwen bit her lip and suddenly felt her head spin. A twinge of pain shot through her heart, and she instinctively took a step back.

Luna quickly stormed over to catch her and held her securely in her arms.

After setting Gwen gently down on the sofa, Luna lifted her head to stare at Rachel. "Since you say that Steven's brain is now residing in Luke's body...what about Luke?"

She bit her lip nervously and gave Rachel a searching look. "What about Luke's brain, then? What happened to all his thoughts, his past, and his entire being?"

This was the question that Gwen, too, wanted to know the answer to.

She bit her lip and stared expectantly at Rachel, hoping to hear the answer she wanted, but... Rachel closed her eyes and sighed. "They probably got rid of it and buried it with Steven's body."

Then, she was silent for a long time before finally meeting Gwen's gaze. "I know this isn't the answer you want, but it's the truth.

"Even though Luke's body still exists as Steven's, Luke can't return anymore. The brain cannot survive without its host body, so in a sense, Luke is no longer alive now."

The color drained from Gwen's face.

She bit her lip and squeezed Luna's arm so hard that her knuckles turned white.

Tears slid silently down her cheeks. Gwen opened her mouth to say something in return, but no words came out.

Recognizing the immense sorrow on Gwen's face, Rachel sighed and said, "I know you're not willing to accept this, Gwen, but it's the reality. No matter how much you miss and love Luke, there's no way he'd return to us.

"Luke has now become Steven, a man you have nothing in common with. I sincerely hope you can start your new life afresh instead of wallowing in the past forever. You deserve to live a good life.

"And as for Steven, you shouldn't attempt to intrude in his life because he's not Luke. It's as though..."

Her gaze landed on Gwen's chest. "It's the same as how your heart used to belong to Steven, but none of his family members has ever attempted to reach out to you.

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'After an organ leaves its original host, it belongs to someone else now.'

Gwen closed her eyes as tears started to fall.

She had been engulfed with conflicting emotions from the moment she saw Steven at the airport that day.

On the one hand, she had hoped that the man she had run into was actually Luke, but on the other hand, she knew that realistically speaking, this was impossible, until...

Until Rachel gave her the reality check she needed.

Gwen could not stop her heart from hurting.

Fate was playing a cruel joke on her. After finally coming to terms with Luke's passing, fate had deliberately arranged for her and Steven to run into each other at the airport.

However, after that, God chose to take away all her hope...

"But Steven is the organ donor in this situation." Luna furrowed her brow and tried to object. Besides, every organ donation requires the donor or their next-of-kin's approval before proceeding. If so, whose permission did the Miller and Hughes family obtain for this?"

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The entire room fell silent.

Rachel furrowed her brow and glanced first at Gwen, then at Luna.

Finally, she cleared her throat and replied, "I know neither of you are willing to accept this, but I'm still obligated to bring this up.

"Gwen is Luke's girlfriend, not his wife. Thus, legally speaking, she isn't on any grounds to agree to this organ transplant at all. Besides, neither Luke nor his family is obligated to disclose this information to you, so perhaps he or his next-of-kin had signed this agreement without your knowledge."

Luna bit her lip. "Luke is an orphan and has no family."

Rachel froze. "Then the only person equipped to make this decision is Luke himself.

"However, according to his original plans, Luke intended to donate his heart to Gwen after his death. Therefore, he couldn't possibly have signed an agreement with the Hughes or Miller families to donate his body to them..."

With that, Rachel lifted her head to glance meaningfully at Gwen. "If Luke never signed this legal agreement at all, this would be a serious felony.

“Even if Luke had intended to undergo assisted suicide to save Gwen’s life, this still doesn’t allow them to claim his dead body as theirs to use.”

Finally, Rachel walked over to Gwen and squatted in front of her so their could meet. ”

gazes As one of the people closest to Luke before his death, I think that...apart from grieving his passing, you should also do your best to avenge his death.

“If the Hughes and Miller family had deceived Luke and performed surgery on him without his permission, you have to make them pay the price of their crimes.”

Rachel’s words were calm and steady in an attempt to soothe Gwen’s emotions.

Luna furrowed her brow. She could not help feeling a little uneasy by Rachel’s words, but she knew that Rachel had meant no ill harm.

Rachel was a doctor who had seen plenty during her time, which was why she could remain so calm and collected in the face of death.

However, this was not the same for Gwen.

If she had not met Ben, Gwen would still be living a comfortable and luxurious life.

At the thought of this, Luna lowered her head to glance at Gwen.

Gwen’s face was expressionless, and even though there were still tears clinging to her eyes, she was clearly more at ease as compared to moments ago.

She lifted her head to meet Rachel’s gaze. “How am I going to avenge Luke’s death?”

If Rachel’s speculation was right...she would do everything she could to get revenge on the people who had tricked Luke, even though the heart that was beating inside her chest belonged to their son!

Worst came to worst, she would remove her own heart and give it back to them after they received the punishment they deserved.

After all, there was no point living anymore ever since Luke passed.

Before this, she kept trying to force herself to move on because she did not think it would be fair to Luke if she continued living her life so worthlessly.

However, since the heart inside her chest did not even belong to Luke...it would not matter if she killed herself, right?

She would apologize to him properly when she finally met up with him in heaven.

“First of all-” Rachel let out a sharp exhale. “Firstly, you must calm down and take care of yourself first. We’ll wait for the DNA results to come out tomorrow.

“It’s only after obtaining this DNA report that we can finally confirm our suspicions and make things easier in the future.”

Gwen nodded and stood up obediently. “Alright then... I’ll get some rest in the meantime.”

All of a sudden, she froze in her steps as though she had recalled something and turned to bow at Rachel in gratitude. “Thank you.”