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Thomas' appearance made Steven furrow his brow in annoyance. He stared coldly back at Thomas and said, "I'll never be able to fully understand the pain you've gone through, and I never once said that you should forgive Denise for her wrongdoings, but you're a man, Thomas, so do you honestly think it's appropriate for you to punish a woman this way?"

"There are plenty of ways to get revenge on a woman who crossed you, so why do you have to choose such an undignified way and force her to sell her own body and soul? Not only that, but you even said you'd send some people to help her if she couldn't accomplish her task by daylight. How the hell are you going to do that?"

Thomas narrowed his eyes upon hearing this. "I don't think I have to explain anything more to you."

"You-" Steven narrowed his eyes menacingly. "Do you think just because I've always been a mild-mannered person I wouldn't dare to lay a finger on you?"

With that, he pulled his sleeves up and took a small step toward Thomas. "I admit that oftentimes, I'd choose to settle conflicts civilly over violence, and in some people's opinions, I do this because I'm a coward, but things are different now.

"This time, I'm doing this to protect my family!"

He lunged in Thomas' direction and swung his fist right at Thomas' face!

Thomas never expected that Steven, the always mild-mannered and polite gentleman, would resort to violence. Thus, he did not manage to dodge his punch in time, and Steven's fist struck his face hard. Steven's punch packed so much that Thomas staggered backward, having to take two steps to steady himself. However, before he could even regain his composure, Steven raised his other fist.

He was so swift that Thomas did not even have the time to react. He watched as Steven's fist sailed toward him, and, knowing that he would not be able to dodge this in time either, he closed his eyes in surfender.

To his surprise, the blow did not come.

Thomas opened his eyes slowly and came face-to-face with a veiny, muscular arm that belonged to none other than Joshua.

Joshua had stopped Steven's punch just in time. However, judging from the sheer strength exerted by Joshua in defense, it was clear that Steven had put his entire body into this punch.

Thomas instinctively took a step backward, all of a sudden regretting provoking Steven this much.

He knew just how strong Joshua was; the fact that Joshua was struggling to hold Steven back demonstrated the sheer force and anger behind Steven's advances.

He did not dare to imagine what would happen if Joshua had not shown up in time!

"Let go of me!" Steven glared daggers at Joshua. "This is between me and him, so don't you dare interfere."

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"You can't beat him to death." Joshua did not intend to back down at all. "He's my cousin, so I can't just stand by and watch you beat him up."

He curled his lips into a smile as he stared at Steven. "You're becoming more and more like Luke." Even though Luke did not appear to be a particularly strong man, his strength during combat was not to be underestimated. Otherwise, he would not have managed to rise to the throne as the leader of the

biggest gang in Sea City, much less expand his power to Merchant City.

Steven was still miles away from becoming Luke, but Joshua had to admit that he was getting close.

"Is that so?" Steven curled his lips into a smirk. "Well, if you think I'm becoming more and more like Luke, do you believe I'll really beat him to death?"

He burst into a mischievous laugh and put down his fists. "Joshua, I only showed him mercy for your sake."

With that, he tucked his hands into his pockets and shot Thomas a cold look. "We've met before, Thomas Howard."

The entire hallway fell silent.

Gwen's eyes widened in shock as she stared at the man before her.

The tone of his voice, and the way he held himself...

"Luke?"

She stormed forward and grabbed hold of his hand. "Have you returned, Luke?"

She was absolutely certain.

She was certain that the man standing before her was none other than Luke!

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Steven furrowed his brow when he heard Gwen's voice.

He turned around, and his entire body froze when he caught sight of Gwen.

A split second later, he reached out and pulled Gwen into his arms as though there was no one else around there. "Yes, it's me."

Tenderness twinkled in his eyes as he held the woman he loved in his arms. "My love."

Tears spilled down Gwen's face when she heard this. She reached out to grab his sleeve, tears brimming in her eyes. "Is that really you, Luke?"

"Yes, it is." Luke furrowed his brow. "I don't know what happened... but it seems as though I had just burst out of a cocoon."

Everyone's jaws dropped at this sight, including Thomas, who had been bracing himself for another slew of punches.

Joshua furrowed his brow in confusion.

Luna, on the other hand, widened her eyes in shock, then strode over to Joshua's side and gently tugged on his sleeve. She asked in a whisper, "What happened?"

How could Steven suddenly turn into Luke without warning?

Did the doctors not say that Luke's consciousness had disappeared and would never return?

Judging from the way Gwen and Luke held each other, as well as the look in his eyes when he laid eyes on her, Luna was certain that this was none other than Luke; Steven would never be able to put on such a genuine act. 1

After all, Steven had never met Luke before and thus would never know how Luke behaved in Gwen's presence, much less imitate the tenderness and love he had toward her!

Gwen wrapped her arms tightly around Luke's waist. She could not help feeling suffocated, as though she was engulfed with so much warmth that she could barely breathe.

A split second later, she let go of Luke and removed herself from his embrace. "What happened?"

She was wondering the same thing as Luna.

She was just as surprised as all of them, even. As the person closest to him, she had no doubts that the man standing before her at this moment was Luke, but how could this be?

How could Luke return when all his memories and consciousness had been erased?

"I don't know either." Luke shook his head. "The last thing I remember is laying on the operation table after sending you to the hospital, waiting for Joshua and Jim to fulfill my wish. They promised me that they'd take care of you after I was gone, and I, too, believe that they'd do as they said. Therefore, I intended to end my life right then and there. Soon after that, I became unconscious, but..."

"The next time I regained consciousness, I felt as though I was trapped in an enclosed space, watching you meet Steven through his eyes..."

Luke closed his eyes. "The truth is, I was happy to see you and Steven getting along so well. I'm grateful that you still harbor so much love toward me, and I'm happy that Steven seemed to genuinely like you and that you had a chance of starting your life afresh, but..."

He fell silent for a moment, then reached out to touch his own face. "I never thought Steven would seek

the doctors' help to free me from his body. Even though the doctors kept emphasizing to him that the medications that would do so carried a risk of causing split personality disorder, he still chose to take it..."

He sighed and added, "Perhaps this is the result of that. Perhaps I'm just one of the multiple personalities that manifested as a result of the medicine he took and that eventually, I'll have to return to his body." He gently took Gwen's hand in his and said, "Please take good care of yourself, and don't hurt yourself anymore for my sake.

"Please don't try to forcibly release me from Steven's body after this; it won't be fair to him. Even if I can only exist as a split personality of his in the future, I still hope his disease can be kept under control."

As he said this, Luke turned to stare at Joshua and Luna. "I'm sorry, but I think I'll need you to help me take care of Gwen in the future."

Finally, he turned to glance at Thomas. "And you—I'm guessing you're the reason Steven lost control of his emotions and broke, which allowed me to come out temporarily."

"I know you must've been through a lot of pain and suffering, but since Denise has already learned her mistake, you shouldn't take things too far."

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Thomas scoffed when he heard this. "I thought that as a gang leader, you'd be cutthroat and merciless, but I'm surprised that you'd say something like this."

He gave a stretch and added, "I never said I wouldn't show Denise mercy; she was the one who had agreed to my task on her own terms."

"Before you appeared, I had been talking to Joshua about what to do with Denise. Since she appeared genuine, I wouldn't be too harsh on her even if she failed to meet my task."

"Without the Hughes family protecting her, she'll be all alone, and even if she did cross me in the past, she wouldn't be much of a threat to Yannie and me in the future. Besides, she seemed to be really remorseful of her mistake, so I hadn't meant to challenge her even further, but..."

He lifted his head to glance at the man standing before him. "I never thought Steven would be so angry over this that his split personality would be triggered, but I guess it's not exactly a bad thing."

He glanced at Gwen as he said this. "Isn't this what you wanted all along? Now that Steven has become Luke again, you should be happier than this."

Gwen furrowed her brow and squeezed Luke's hand upon hearing this.

"Even though she had indeed hoped for me to return at the beginning, things have changed now," Luke interrupted Thomas in a stern voice. "She's learned to respect Steven and his right to live."

"I've been watching everything through Steven's eyes all this while, and I saw Gwen trying to stop Steven from eating the medicine that would restore all my memories."

“She’s a kind person, and she had committed the mistakes she did in the past because she missed me too much. I’m sure that she won’t be so harsh on Steven in the future.”

With that, he shot her a meaningful look and gently stroked the skin on the back of her palm. “I know you miss me, but Gwen, when I first tried to save you, I had intended to sacrifice my life in return for yours.

“Even if Steven hadn’t appeared, I would’ve died anyway, so even though I was tricked out of my memories and nothing went according to my original plan, the outcome turned out to be the same. “You should return home with Luna and Joshua after all this. I don’t hope to see Steven become a psychiatric patient, so please stay away from him in the future—it’s not good for either of you.” Gwen nodded, tears brimming in her eyes, but she could not force herself to let go of Luke.

The truth was, she understood everything Luke was telling her.

She had known for a long time that she should stay away from Steven, but she could not do so; she could not help being reminded of Luke every time she laid eyes on him.

However, since Luke had finally returned, she felt that she could truly move on for good.

She would never forget him, not in a million years, nor could she ever bring herself to fall for another man. However, she knew that it was time for her to leave Steven alone.

The people at fault here were the Hughes and the Miller family, not Steven. He had the right to live the rest of his life in peace.

At this thought, she sighed and asked, “Luke, will we ever see each other again?”

Luke’s arm stiffened around her waist. “I...I hope that won’t be the case. I’m worried that Steven’s body won’t be able to handle this well. After all...”

He took a deep breath. “He’s my twin brother, after all. Even though I had never been blessed with the love of a familial bond in my life, I’m still grateful to have such a kind and considerate man as my brother.”