

Still Loving You Nonetheless Chapter 1161-1165

Chapter 1161

Not long after, Josiah walked out of the ward.

Meredith quickly got onto her feet and asked, "How's Cooper?"

"He's fine and has just slept."

"He fell asleep this quick?"

"Yeah."

"I'm glad that he's alright," Meredith said.

Seeing how Meredith was about to sit back down, he pulled her up and said, "Edith, since Cooper is already asleep, we should head home first."

"Right now?" Meredith sounded surprised, "Aren't we going to wait for Cooper to wake up?"

"His mother is with him. Here, let me give you a ride home."

"No. Cooper will be disappointed if he doesn't see you when he wakes up." Meredith shot a glare at him and added, "Have you forgotten why Cooper ran out of the house? It's because of what you said."

Meredith realized that Cooper was a rather sensitive kid.

Josiah took a glance at the ward and said, "Edith, I really don't want to spend another minute with that woman."

Feeling speechless, Meredith gave him a side-eye and said, "Why are you acting like a child? I asked you to stay so that Cooper will be able to see you when he wakes up. I'm not asking you to stay with Miss Ivy."

Josiah looked at him and tucked her hair behind her ears. "You're the kindest person that I've ever met."

"Stop being all cheesy here." Meredith removed his hand and noticed the blood stains on his hand.

"Look at the blood stains, go clean them."

Josiah was too worried earlier that he did not even notice the blood stains.

He then headed to the washroom.

After Josiah left, Meredith turned around to take a look inside the ward. She saw that Cooper was already asleep.

And Ivy was holding his hand as she sobbed, "Cooper, please forgive me. I'm really sorry. I didn't mean to do what I did..."

"I...really don't have...any other choice."

Hearing her sobs, Meredith could not help but enter the room. "Miss Ivy, so it is true that you staged the car accident?"

Meredith stared at Ivy in horror as she had never thought that Ivy would be able to do such a thing.

She only heard from Josiah but now that she heard it from Ivy herself, Meredith was appalled.

She was horrified by the fact that Ivy would go to lengths to hurt her son just to get married to Josiah.

And she was someone who was idolized and respected by a lot of people.

Ivy turned around slowly and stared at Meredith with tears in her eyes. After a while, she stood up from the chair.

Ivy grabbed a napkin and wiped the tears away and said to Meredith, "That's right. It was me. If you feel sorry for Cooper, then please leave US alone."

"You-"

Meredith did not expect that Ivy would admit SO outrightly and was rendered speechless.

Ivy's gaze turned cold gradually. "I heard that you're really kind and I guess they are right. Look at you caring for your enemy's child. But if you are really that kind, you would have chosen to give up on the man who nearly ruined you for the sake of Cooper."

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Ivy scoffed coldly, "Meredith Leighton, have you really forgotten how Josiah ruined your family and yourself? Could you really act as if nothing had happened and get married to him again? Don't you feel sorry for your family who died because of him? Don't you feel sorry for yourself?"

"If I were you, I would have never married my enemy, no matter how rich or how handsome he is."

Chapter 1162

Ivy's words were stabbing Meredith's heart like sharp knives.

It was as if the hatred and resentment that was buried deep within her were being released bit by bit.

She quickly shook her head in an attempt to shake those thoughts away. Meredith reminded herself not to be tricked.

“Miss Ivy, you can save your effort of wanting to come in between Josiah and me. I do hate him, but I am not that cruel enough to hurt my own child. I’m only getting married to Josiah again because I want Nia to have a complete family.”

Ivy stayed silent for a moment before nodding.

“You’re right, I guess. Even though you all say that I am cruel and that I’m ruthless, at the end of the day, I’m doing all these for my son. So that Cooper could get well faster.”

“Miss Ivy, do you know that you nearly got Cooper killed?”

“If I can’t get married to Joe, give Cooper a complete family, or make him get better, I’d rather Cooper die.”

“How could you think this way?” Meredith was horrified.

“Am I wrong though? Rather than having Cooper live in pain, isn’t it better to put an end to his suffering?”

Staring at the woman in front of her, Meredith felt as if she could not get through Ivy at all.

And she could see that Ivy was determined to get married to Josiah.

Meredith was worried that with Ivy’s cruelty and ruthlessness, she would probably do something worse.

Ivy raised a brow and asked, “So? Are you willing to give up?”

“If you think that I’d give up just because of what you’ve done, then you’re too innocent.” Meredith glanced at Cooper who was on the bed and said, “He is your son, so just do whatever you please. But you should know that Josiah doesn’t like a woman who schemes and needless to say, someone who is willing to hurt her own child.”

She then turned around and walked out of the room.

Ivy stood still as she watched Meredith walk out of the room and closed the door behind her.

Inwardly, Ivy said to Cooper, ‘Sweetheart, just give me more time. I promise to work hard!’

When she turned around, she was shocked by Cooper staring at her with a cold gaze.

Ivy felt her heart drop, she had just managed to compose herself and was suddenly thrown back into a mess.

“Cooper darling...” Ivy walked over to him and held out her hand wanting to hold him, but Cooper avoided her.

Her hand was left hanging mid-air. Smiling bitterly, she explained, “Cooper, please don’t misunderstand. I only said those to scare Aunt Meredith so that I could get your Daddy back to US.

“You’ve always wanted your dad, right? I’ve always remembered your wish and I will not forget it. You have to believe me, darling, okay?”

Cooper was still staring at her with a cold gaze.

Ivy knew that Cooper had always been smart and was not easy to trick, Ivy paused before going on, “Cooper, I know you don’t like me, but...”

She reached out her hand and held Cooper’s hand in hers and shook her hand. “Your grandma is right that I’ve been too cold and distant toward you.”

There was a flicker in Cooper’s eyes. He looked at Ivy’s hands that were around his.

In his memory, his mother had rarely touched him, held him, or even held his hand. Needless to mention, she had rarely kissed him too.

In his memory, his mother had always been lovely to him, but she was also distant.

Chapter 1163

Cooper was never sure if his mother loved him but after hearing what his mother had just said...

Ivy, on the other hand, noticed Cooper was staring at him and quickly pulled away her hand.

“Okay, I’ve explained what I needed to do. You should get some rest and don’t overthink it.” Long gone was the anxious and apologetic Ivy. she had returned to her stem usual self.

Staring at her, tears started welling up in his eyes.

And Ivy was frustrated at the sight of his tears.

“Boys shouldn’t cry. Put away those tears.” She then turned around and walked out of the door.

On the way home, Meredith was rather absentminded.

Seeing how Meredith was lost in her thoughts, Josiah did not think that it was a good time to bring up the registration of their marriage. Instead, he comforted, “Edith, Cooper is fine now, isn’t he? Why do you still look so bothered?”

Meredith looked at him and asked, “Josiah, do you really think that it’s possible that a woman would go to the lengths of hurting her own child just to get married to the man that she loves?”

Meredith was appalled and horrified by what happened today, she found it hard to believe that Ivy would do such a thing.

Josiah hesitated before replying, "To be honest, I was surprised that Ivy would do such a thing. But she did do it, didn't she?" He then asked, "But you were determined that it was not Ivy's doing, weren't you? What made you change your mind suddenly?"

Meredith stayed silent.

If she had not heard it personally from Ivy, she would not have believed that it was Ivy's doing.

Inhaling slowly, she then asked, "Tell me, why would a brilliant woman like Miss Ivy do such a thing just for a man? It doesn't make sense."

Josiah replied rather helplessly, "Edith, I think you're the only person in this world who doesn't care about my family's fortune."

Surprised, Meredith asked, "You mean Ivy is eyeing the Shelby family's wealth?"

"Most probably," Josiah laughed, "if I said that it was because of me, you might think that I'm being self-obsessed again."

"Josiah, I'm not joking around with you," Meredith sounded anxious.

"I'm not joking with you too, Edith." Hesitating, Josiah then said, "But if she's doing it because of money, I don't mind giving her money. I'll find time to talk to her."

"If it's not enough, I can chip in some too," Meredith said.

Josiah was rather moved and surprised by her response.

Pulling over at the red light, Josiah held Meredith's hand and said, "Edith, this is rare. I thought that you would have pushed me to Ivy. I didn't expect you to say that you'd chip in money too. I am... quite moved."

"Josiah, rather than talking about all this nonsense, shouldn't we think about how we should negotiate with Ivy? What if it's not money that she's after? And what about Cooper?"

Suddenly getting all worked up, Meredith said, "Will Ivy choose to hurt Cooper again if you reject her again? Cooper is still too young to protect himself, what if the next time..."

Meredith could not bring herself to finish her sentence.

Josiah gave a light pat on her shoulder. "Don't worry. I'll have a talk with her."

Meredith gave him a side-eye and said, "How are you going to talk things through with her with that cold attitude of yours?"

Chapter 1164

Pulling over in front of the mansion, Meredith removed the seatbelt and said to Josiah, "Alright now, you should head back to see Cooper."

"Edith, you really do care about Cooper, don't you?"

"Cut the nonsense," Meredith closed the door and urged, "hurry up and go."

Josiah had no other choice but to return to the hospital.

By the time Josiah returned to the hospital, Ivy was already back in Cooper's ward and she was feeding him fruits.

But Cooper was not eating the fruits. He was wearing a straight face.

At the sight of Josiah, Ivy immediately got up to her feet, smiled, and said to Cooper, "Look Cooper, Daddy is here to see you."

Cooper took a glance at him and shifted his gaze behind Josiah. He looked away when he did not see the person he wanted to meet.

Cooper then did not take another look at Josiah.

Seeing how Cooper was being indifferent to him, Josiah was rather disappointed. But he was reminded of how Meredith had criticized him for being too harsh on Cooper.

Hence, he softened his expression and walked over to him. "How are you feeling, buddy?"

Cooper ignored him and neither did he look at him.

It was as if Josiah was not there at all.

Ivy quickly explained, "Don't mind him, Joe. Cooper has always been like this. He hasn't been interacting with me and his grandma either."

She then added worriedly, "I've been looking for ways to get Cooper treated but he's not getting any better. I'm really worried about how things are going to be when he grows up later."

"Miss Ivy, I think Meredith is right that we shouldn't be talking about this stuff in front of the child." Josiah stared at her and scoffed, "Unless you're doing this on purpose?"

Josiah had a feeling that Ivy was doing this deliberately.

She wanted to trigger Cooper so that Cooper would get all worked up and run away from home, or run out of the house and get into an accident. Josiah felt that Ivy was using this approach to get Cooper into the Shelby family.

Ivy took a glance at Cooper and replied softly, "I'm not."

"Miss Ivy, let's have a talk, shall we?" Josiah asked suddenly.

Ivy nodded. "Sure."

After handing Cooper over to the nurses, Josiah and Ivy came to the guest room that was next to Cooper's room.

He turned around to face Ivy. "Miss Ivy, can we not drag Cooper into our matters?"

"Joe, I already said that I'm not," Ivy stared right back at him and went on, "I would never think of hurting Cooper. I swear."

"You don't have to repeat your lies to me, I don't want to hear them anymore," Josiah stopped her annoyedly and went on, "just tell me what it is that you want. Apart from getting married to you, I'll do whatever I can to give you what you want."

Before Ivy even said anything, Josiah added, "And don't tell me that you're doing this for Cooper. From today's incident, I can see that you don't love Cooper at all. And you didn't come back just because of him.

"If it is me that you want, then you can just give up. I will not get married to you because the person that I love is Meredith. And I am planning to spend the rest of my life with her."

His words stabbed Ivy's heart like sharp knives.

But of course, she had already expected this.

Chapter 1165

She looked bitterly at him and said, "Joe, even if my family business had gone bankrupt, I was able to raise Cooper on my own. Do you really think that I'd give up on my conviction just for some money?"

"So what's your conviction? To marry into the Shelby family?"

"I said that it is for my son, but you refused to believe me and think that I am lying, what else am I supposed to do?" Ivy shook her head and went on, "No one knows better than me how it feels to not be able to protect her own son as a mother."

Her eyes slowly reddened.

Seeing the sudden change in her expression, Josiah scoffed, " People who don't know you might think that you major in acting and film, not medicine."

It was as if she did not understand his sarcasm, Ivy went on, "Joe, please marry me for the sake of Cooper. I don't care if you would love me or want me as long as you marry me. I don't mind that we're just a fake couple. Please?"

"No. Even if it's going to be fake, I will not marry you," Josiah rejected her coldly.

Josiah knew of course that if he married Ivy, they would be bound together by the law. And it would be hard to separate later.

He would not dig a grave for himself.

Ivy was utterly disappointed by his response. "Joe, do you really... hate me that much?"

"Yes." Josiah nodded. "Especially after what happened today. It only made me despise you more."

II II

"Miss Ivy," In a stern voice, Josiah went on, "about what I said earlier, you can take all the time you need to think about what you want. And if you want to keep this up, be my guest. But let me remind you one thing, I will never let you have your way. oh, and, if this happens again, I'm referring to how you hurt Cooper, I will report you to the cops right away."

Before giving Ivy any chance to respond, Josiah turned around and walked out of the room.

"Joe!" In desperation, Ivy ran up to him, grabbed his arms, and sobbed, "Joe, I really want to get married to you. I have to marry you. Please let me be your wife, please!"

"Joe, you know me, don't you? I've never been the type to be begging other people, especially not with men. But I really don't have another choice, I want my son, I want my son to..."

"If you really do care about your son, you wouldn't have done such a thing to him!" Josiah flung her away across the floor.

"I..." Ivy was at loss for words.

With tears welling up in her eyes, Ivy looked devastated.

"You're right that you used to have self-respect and dignity, but look at you now...what's the difference between you and those pretentious and materialistic women?!"

Ivy too found herself ridiculous, being in this situation.

But...what else was she supposed to do?

With Cooper hospitalized, not only was Meredith worried, but Nia too was worried.

Nia had been asking tons of questions about how Cooper was doing. For example, if Cooper was hurting or if Cooper had eaten.

Meredith of course, would not know but she was eager to know how Cooper was doing.

After dinner, Nia came to her and asked, "Mommy, can I go see Cooper?"

Meredith shook her head and replied, "Sweetheart, I know you miss your brother a lot, but I am not his mother, so I don't have the right to go visit him."

"What about Daddy? Can't Daddy bring me to see Cooper?"