

When Life Takes a Turn – Chapter 0071

The Carters did not waste time jeering and insulting Faye and Zayn, their fingers wagging and pointing in mockery. Mocking them had become a form of entertainment for them.

Faye's expression turned stormy, her ire and contempt toward Zayn multiplying. She had been reluctant to join the family gathering despite being a Carter herself. Conversely, Zayn was so thick-skinned, he did not even care that he was just a guy who married into his wife's family. He would let himself be abused and looked down upon just so he could have some free food.

She missed the chairman of Violet Vision even more. Had he been at their family gathering, everyone would have shut up and kissed his boots as hard as they could.

It was regrettable that she did not even have the chairman's contact details. Just the thought of that made her heave a sigh as her dismay grew.

Zayn hardly cared about the Carters' remarks. The only reason he had come was to be Faye's companion. He would not have bothered to attend otherwise, not even for "free food". To think that that was his intention was preposterous, especially since Gordon had just treated him to an even more lavish feast back in The Graceful Gourmand that made this one seem pitiful in comparison.

Nonetheless, the Carters' jabs did carry some important information that Zayn seized upon. With a frown, he asked, "Is it true, Fifi? You've been kicked out of the board of directors? But why? The only reason the Carter family even got out of their crisis was your contribution, right?"

Zayn was angry at the injustice Faye had suffered. He only lent the family three million dollars because of Faye. Take her out of the equation, and the Carters' plights would never have concerned him.

Faye's eyes reddened instantly. The feeling of being wronged intensified. "So what if my contributions were what saved them? I was just a means to an end that could be disposed of as soon as my purpose was fulfilled. They didn't just kick me out. They robbed us of the ten percent of the shares they promised. And now, they called me a slut who slept with the chairman of Violet Vision. They see me as a stain on the Carter family's name."

“What?!” By now, Zayn’s anger had grown into a burning fury. He leaped to his feet and fumed, “How could they repay your contributions with such grave injustice?! No, I’m gonna fight them for this!”

“What are you trying to do?! Come back here right now!” a glaring Waine yelled, as he pulled Zayn back with a yank. “Don’t go around creating trouble!”

“He’s right, Zayn. You’re a nobody who married into this family, remember? At least get a good grip on your capabilities,” Ruby chimed in. “If you fight them, you could even cost us our five percent of the shares! Make us lose what we have and you’re getting the boot!”

Faye had just begun to feel a little touched by Zayn’s outburst. She thought it meant he cared about her, but her parents’ words removed all such feelings. Instead, she now saw Zayn as a dimwit who could not get anything right.

“We can’t just let them walk all over us!” Zayn rebuked frantically. “This is entirely unfair to Fifi!”

“And? What can you do? Debate with them and get more eggs on your face in the process and get us expelled from here along with you?” Faye snapped coldly. “You’re over twenty years old, Zayn. Can’t you be a bit more mature and stop burdening me with the troubles you created?!”

Her words stung Zayn, but he was at a loss as to what to say.

It became clear from the Carters’ gathering that Waine’s family was effectively ostracized. Their seating had been relegated to the corner. No Carters wanted to sit with them, and the portions of the food served at their table were markedly smaller than everyone else’s.

Waine had become their whipping boy. He was aggrieved by the injustice, but he was also afraid to speak out.

In contrast, everyone around the main table was eagerly toasting to Howard while singing his praises.

It was at that point that Hector received a call that changed his expression in an instant. Swiftly standing up, he cried out loudly, “What did you say?! Is the information accurate? When did that happen? I want a clear answer now!”

His outburst shocked everyone. Howard, in particular, shuddered as the joy in his face froze before being smothered by panic. He almost dropped to the floor.