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"Aren't you going to come and help me shower?" Zachary said assertively, "Serving your husband is the best repayment there is."

"Coming..." Charlotte walked to him with a smile on her face. "I'll give you a special service tonight."

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Things were quickly resolved after Zachary got involved.

The next night, Bruce came and reported to her, "Ms. Windt, they've been rescued. They want to meet with you, saying that they want to thank you in person. What would you like to do?"

After thinking about it for a moment, she nodded and said, "Sure."

"Alright. I'll arrange the meeting immediately."

Bruce drove her to the Whites' residence which was also the Windt family's residence in the old days.

Since Charlotte was coming, both Amanda and Simon purposely dressed up but it wasn't enough to cover up their pale and fatigued faces.

It had only been a few days yet they seemed to have aged ten years. Even white hair had grown on their heads.

Although they were wrapped tightly in their clothes, Charlotte could still see the injuries on their neck, arm, and forehead.

They must've gone through a lot in the past few days.

She sighed silently to herself as she looked at them, not knowing what to say to console them.

Amanda and Simon stood up and gave Charlotte a deep bow. "Thank you!"

"Don't be like this..."

Charlotte was at a loss. She wanted to reach out to stop them but she didn't want to step forward as they were still distant in terms of their relationship.

"Um, where is Luna?" she asked quietly.

"She's still sleeping. She's gone through a lot over the past few days and had almost..."

Amanda wiped away the tears on her face before adding, "If it wasn't for Mr. Nacht's men, I'm afraid we might've been dead by now."

Charlotte heaved a long sigh, unsure of how to respond.

"I didn't expect you to save us." Amanda's eyes were red and full of guilt. "Don't you hate me after what I've done to you in the past?"

"Of course I do," the former replied bluntly. "I hated you so much."

"I'm sorry..." The latter then hung her head apologetically.

"Honestly, if it wasn't for Timothy, I couldn't have made up my mind to do this," Charlotte said softly. "He's only three and a half years old and is the same age as my children. He secretly gave me a call and I really couldn't bring myself to reject him."

"Timothy?" The couple was overwhelmed upon hearing the name.

Amanda quickly asked, "How did he know about this? He's just a child! What's going on with the Sterlings? How can they let him know?"

"The Sterlings didn't tell him. It was Thomas and Mary who did. They even told him that he should come to ask me for help. That's why he hid in the toilet and called me."

Charlotte roughly told them what had happened.

"Those assholes!" Amanda's body was shaking from anger. "They're obviously scared that they'd suffer from losses if anything happened to us. That's why they urge the boy to beg you for help. Timothy is just a three-year-old boy. He must've felt so scared and helpless when he found out about this.

"I don't even know if those bastards told him anything bad about his father. If they did, he would definitely be traumatized. I'm afraid that he wouldn't be able to stand it with the Sterlings. And his evil stepmother! Oh, God..."

At the thought of these, she became panicked and worried.

"Those bastards!" Simon gritted through his teeth.

At that moment, Charlotte seemed to have another level of understanding of Amanda. Even though the woman had personality issues, she was still very kind to her family.

She could give up everything for her daughter and when she found out that Timothy had begged Charlotte for help, she was worried for him instead of being happy that she was saved.

"Let's not talk about this." The woman recollected her thoughts and said guiltily, "The Whites have owed you so much, Charlotte. I don't even know how I should repay you. After giving it some thought, I decided to return this villa to you. Just treat it as a token of appreciation from us."

At that, she gave the property ownership certificate and any documents related to Charlotte.

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"Charlotte," Simon said, feeling rather embarrassed. "Your father built this villa for you originally. We've been living here for four years and now it's finally returned to its original owner."

"The reason I saved you was all because of the kid," Charlotte whispered. "I didn't do it to get anything."

"I know." Amanda gave her a bitter smile and continued, "We're feeling even more guilty because you saved us without holding any grudges. Let us use this chance to make up for our mistakes."

After pausing for a moment, she took out a bill and handed it to the former.

"These are the fortune your father left when he got into the accident. I'm really ashamed to say this but we took advantage of you for being young and naive. We took this villa for ourselves and even got ourselves three factories for a very low price. However, we've already used up all of the money when buying off headlines and searches previously. We even sold the factories and used the money. We don't have much money to our names now. So we can only give you this villa and this..."

Amanda opened up a jewelry box.

Charlotte looked up and instantly saw the ruby necklace Zachary gifted her.

"I've hidden this necklace so that I could sell it off if I was ever in desperate need of money. Not even my husband or Luna knew about this."

She smiled bitterly and added, "I'm such a shameless person. I don't have money that I can compensate you for and can only give you the villa and the necklace just to give myself peace of mind."

"This..."

"Just take it." Simon shoved the documents and jewelry box into Charlotte's arms and said, "These are all yours to begin with!"

"But what's going to happen to you now that you've given me these? Won't you be broke now?"

The latter knew that they didn't really have much savings now as Amanda wasn't wearing any jewelry today. It was obvious that they had already run out of fortune.

"It looks like you don't know." Amanda shuddered as she spoke, "Helena said that for the sake of Mr. Nacht, she'll give us seven million as compensation."

Tears fell from her face at that. Even though she was trying her best to hold them back, she couldn't stop her body from shaking.

"My poor Luna... She's been in such a mess all because of those animals. Her life's ruined yet the evil woman dared to use the money to humiliate us. That b***h can go to hell!"

Simon's body was also shaking by then and tears fell from his face.

Charlotte was truly upset upon hearing this. She had never truly experienced the evil of human nature. She once thought that Amanda and Luna were evil enough but she finally understood what the meaning was of ruthless after hearing what Helena did.

The seven million she gave was obviously to compensate Luna for being raped by the seven men.

It was just like sending daggers to the family's hearts.

"Thanks." Charlotte took the stuff and asked, "What are your plans for the future?"

"What other plans could we have?" Amanda wiped away the tears from her eyes. "We aren't able to fight against the Browns and the Sterlings so we can only bring Luna away from H City for now. But I believe in karma. They're definitely going to be punished for what they did one day."

With that said, Simon burst into tears. "Aren't we getting punished for our sins now? We treated you like rubbish in the past and now we're being punished twice as much by God."

His wife lowered her head and she continuously wiped the tears from her eyes.

Charlotte sympathized with them but she didn't know how she should console them.

After a long time, Amanda finally recollected herself. She took a deep breath and said, "We'll be leaving tonight, Charlotte. I don't know if we'll have the chance to see each other again in the future. And I'm afraid there might not be another chance to say this if I don't tell you now."

"What is it?" Charlotte asked in confusion.

"It's about your father's-"

She met eyes with the Nacht family's bodyguard standing by the door and immediately stopped talking.

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"Leave us," ordered Charlotte.

Her bodyguards collectively mumbled a "yes" and retreated from the room.

Charlotte looked at Amanda. "Can you tell me now?"

Amanda sighed, her voice solemn. "Back when I really put you through hell and concealed everything about father's affairs, I'm assuming you think that Uncle Simon and I caused your father's demise."

"There's no doubt that we were after your father's money, but we did not harm a single hair on his head. To put it bluntly, our family depended on your father to survive. It would not benefit us if any harm came to him. "

"However, there was something that we did hide from you."

Amanda paused briefly as she plucked up the courage to make the admission. "Your father was murdered."

"By who?" asked Charlotte anxiously.

"Well..." Amanda trailed off and frowned. She felt conflicted by this.

Simon then had to shake her a little to make her continue. "Tell her."

"I don't know who it is exactly," said Amanda in a low voice. "But I do know that it is someone from the Nacht family."

Charlotte was astonished and her eyes widened in shock. The Nachts had a hand in this?

"Don't get me wrong, but I'm not talking about Mr. Nacht. I really doubt it's him." Amanda hurriedly continued. "At first, I only knew that it was someone who used the Nacht Group to put pressure on the Windt Corporation. It was a hostile takeover, so your father had no choice but to yield."

Just then, Mr. Nacht and the Divine Corporation had yet to enter the domestic market, so this is why I don't think it's him. It has to be someone else from the family, but I'm just not sure who it is exactly."

Charlotte's emotions were a mess after she heard this. I don't think it's Zachary either, but who could it be?

"I was there on the day of your father's accident and remember him telling me something strange," whispered Simon. "He mentioned that the Nacht family couldn't find out about you, or there would be trouble."

"What do you mean?" asked Charlotte with suspicion in her tone.

"I don't know either." Simon looked thoughtfully at her. "I think it might have something to do with your mother."

"My mother?" Charlotte was even more confused by this. Her mother had disappeared shortly after she was born. What did the troubles with her father's company have to do with her mother?

"Maybe your mother had a spat with the Nacht family? This is purely speculation, of course. But I'd met her before when I was young." "At that time, your father was still poor, and your mother seemed to be the child of a prestigious family."

"Although I cannot determine what her background is, there's no mistaking the fact that she's lived a life of luxury. She was always followed around by a large number of bodyguards, and her trappings seemed to be no less than what our current Mr. Nacht would enjoy.

"You also look exactly like her. The resemblance is remarkable.

Charlotte didn't say a word because her mind was still a jumble from trying to process what he told her.

What exactly is going on?

What she possessed now was vital information indeed. But instead of clarity, she ended up having more questions than answers.

"Try not to dwell on it." Amanda, having read Charlotte's emotions, interjected almost immediately. "I think Mr. Nacht is being sincere. He isn't like Hector at all! That beast of a man is ignorant and ruthless. He knows that Helena is going to be the death of Luna, but he's not lifting a finger to help."

"We were truly blinded by the situation. We even intentionally approved of Luna's marriage to him. Come to think of it... This is probably retribution."

Amanda paused and sighed deeply before continuing.

"Charlotte, the reason why I'm telling you this is to warn you. Marrying into a rich family is complicated. Even if Mr. Nacht is there to protect you, his family is anything but simple. There will be times where his protection will fail. You must be careful and ensure that you keep yourself and the kids safe."

"You're right. I appreciate the warning."

Charlotte was still reeling from the emotions she felt. But she knew that Amanda was right. Zachary might be a good man, but if his family truly had such terrible people, she would not be able to escape their clutches if anything happened.