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Pfft! Caspian couldn't contain his laughter, and he chuckled aloud.

"What else could I take her as, then? My mom?"

"Stop messing around. I'm being serious. Are you in love with Joan?" asked Jessica carefully as she scrutinized the man on the hospital bed.

What is wrong with this woman? Did she take the wrong meds? Or did her brain got fried? Joan is my boss' wife, there's no way I would see her as anything but that. Besides, I honestly have no feelings for her.

"Stop spouting nonsense," replied Caspian before he turned around.

Hold on, something is off! Jessica run around and looked right into his eyes in an attempt to read his expressions.

"Tell me the truth. Have you tried courting her before? Did you come after me because she rejected your advances?" interrogated Jessica.

Oh my gosh, her imaginations baffles me! Caspian stared at the woman he loved and shook his head before sighing.

"My dear, Ms. Jessica Zimmer, can you please stop your nonsensical ramblings? Joan was, is, and will always be my boss' wife, okay? Also, I only see her as a family member and a friend. There is no love between us. Understand?" said Caspian.

His words got Jessica to feel much better. She simply wanted to hear Caspian clarify everything and deny having any feelings for Joan.

"Ah, I see," replied Jessica.

"What did you think was going on?" demanded Caspian while glaring at her, seemingly a little upset.

"Aww, come on, why are you angry? I swear, your mood swings faster than that of a woman's..." muttered Jessica before she slapped on Caspian's shoulder harshly.

"Ouch!" yelped Caspian.

"What's wrong? Did I hit your wound? I'm so sorry. I didn't mean it," said Jessica apologetically while massaging his shoulder for him.

"Mmm... that feels good. Do continue," said Caspian with his eyes closed. He seemed like he was really enjoying the massage.

He tricked me! What an assh\*le! Jessica pressed hard and kneaded his muscles with force. Caspian frowned. He wanted to say something, but he was too afraid to do so.

"Tell me, do you dare trick me again?" demanded Jessica.

"No, no, never again. Please, be gentler," said Caspian hurriedly, begging for mercy.

That's better. Jessica loosened her grip immediately and walked to the side to peel an apple for him.

"Caspian, you're awake! How are you? Are you feeling better?" asked Joan weakly as she entered the ward slowly.

"Joan? What are you doing here? I should be the one visiting you. Come, sit," replied Caspian, preparing to get up from the bed to help Joan.

"Don't move around. I'll do it," instructed Jessica before she headed over to support Joan.

Caspian found it a little strange when he saw how uncharacteristically mature Jessica was being.

"I'm so sorry. This is all my fault. If it wasn't for me, you wouldn't have gotten injured or hospitalized," apologized Joan instantly.

She came just to apologize to Caspian.

"What are you talking about, Joan? We're a family, so what's with the apologies? It's fine. I'll recover soon. Don't worry. I'm just glad that you're okay," said Caspian quickly.

Jessica, who was standing at the side, turned to him immediately. She glared at Caspian, seemingly unhappy with his response.

You assh\*le. What do you mean when you say that you're just glad that she's okay? You obviously care about her!

"Come have an apple, Joan," offered Jessica before handing Joan an apple. "Larry said that you should stay in the hospital and focus on recovering. Don't think too much about anything else."

"Here, this one's for you," added Jessica in a distant tone before she tossed a peeled apple to Caspian.

That is one harsh tone. What is she mad about now? Women are such strange creatures.

"It's fine, Joan. I am supposed to do all that, so you don't need to feel guilty. I promised Larry that I would take care of you and keep you safe. In the end, not only did I fail, but you even got hurt. To be honest, I am partially at fault for everything that happened."

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"Don't say that. I feel guilty enough as it is..."

The two of them chatted and discussed the matter endlessly in the room. They had completely neglected Jessica by then.

"Alright, stop it. Both of you. None of this is on either of you, okay? It's actually my fault. I'm bored too, so I'm gonna steal the blame just like how the two of you are doing," teased Jessica.

Joan and Caspian chuckled at that. The atmosphere in the ward lightened up after that.

"What are you doing here? I've been looking everywhere for you," said Larry as he entered the room.

"I came to visit Caspian," replied Joan.

Larry was quick to take his coat off and drape it over Joan's shoulders before grinning at her.

Look at how sweet her husband is to her. I'm so envious... Jessica sighed and was a little depressed.

"What's wrong, Jessica?" asked the man lying on the hospital bed.

"Nothing," replied Jessica.

Meanwhile, Larry was holding Joan's hand, trying to comfort her and make her feel warmer.

"Don't worry. Time will make everything better," said Larry as he held Joan.

Jessica couldn't handle it anymore.

"Seriously guys, must you do that here? Flaunting your love like that in front of single and lonely people... that's just cruel, man..." protested Jessica.

"You can be all lovey-dovey too. Just get together with Caspian," said Larry before he deliberately shot a look at Caspian.

What he said was possible, but Jessica felt that it was not time yet. She still had her own plans to carry out.

"You two better hurry back. Who knows what you will do next if you keep being all lovey-dovey with each other? I don't want to see anything dirty," said Jessica before she chased the couple right out of the hospital ward.

"How can you be so rude? This is my room!" reminded Caspian.

"Well, what's yours is mine."

"And why's that?"

"Because you like me," replied Jessica with her head held high.

She spoke so confidently that it was as if they were already married.

"I want some dumplings," said Caspian all of a sudden.

"Wait here. I'll go buy some for you right now," replied Jessica before she rushed out of the room.

Caspian was frowning at that moment.

What did she mean by that? Why does she care so much if she doesn't love me? Caspian was utterly confused at that moment.

"Don't run around in the future. Rest assured that whatever happens, I will solve it," said Larry before he planted a soft kiss on Joan's forehead.

"I was just a little worried about something happening to Caspian," replied Joan.

After all, Caspian is Larry's right-hand man. I can't let anything happen to him.

"It'll be fine. Be good and stay here. Focus on recovering. I have to go to the office now, but I will come and keep you company at night."

The two of them flirted a little more before Larry left.

Just then, Joan's phone rang. The name that was flashing on the screen was none other than Delilah.

Joan hesitated a little as she stared at her vibrating phone.

She didn't know how to talk to Delilah about the matter. After all, everything happened because of her. Joan deliberated for a long time before she mustered up enough courage to pick up the call.

"I'm sorry, Joan," said Delilah suddenly.

Joan was a little confused when she heard the older woman's apology. She assumed that Delilah called to yell some more at her, but that didn't happen.

"Don't be. This is all my fault, Ms. Young. Please forgive me," said Joan hurriedly.

"Listen to me, Joan. I was too worried earlier because Lucius was missing, so I treated you poorly and said some terrible things. I admit that I was in the wrong. I hope that you can forgive me and understand where I was coming from," said Delilah without beating around the bush.

Delilah had always been a straightforward woman, and she never liked to dilly-dally. She wasn't pretentious either, and that was why she had always liked Joan. However, Lucius' disappearance had overwhelmed her, and she was unreasonably rude to Joan. Delilah knew that she was out of line, but she couldn't help it.

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"I understand, Ms. Young," replied Joan softly.

They had known each other for a while now, and they had always interacted well together. The only conflict they ever had stemmed from an issue caused by Joan herself.

Still, nothing mattered as long as Lucius was safe.

"How are you now? I heard from Larry that you are injured. Since he's busy, I'll go take care of you."

"No, that won't be necessary. Please take care of Lucius at home. I have someone here with me in the hospital, so you don't need to worry," said Joan immediately.

She didn't want to put more burden on the elderly lady. In fact, she had been thinking about whether she should move out of the house recently and had been struggling with her decisions.

She knew that she would miss Lucius and Delilah if she moved out, but if she stayed, she would just be a burden.

"Joan, I got you your lunch," said Jessica suddenly as she entered the room.

"Thank you," replied Joan with a troubled look.

Seeing that, Jessica got curious.

"What's wrong, Joan? Is something up?" asked Jessica.

"Huh? Oh, it's nothing. Have you had lunch? What about Caspian? Has he eaten?" asked Joan.

Why is she so worried about Caspian? Is she worried because he was wounded because of her? Or is there something else? Jessica's expression turned a little strange.

"He already had his lunch. Don't worry," she replied. She then asked, "By the way, Joan, when are you and Larry going to get married again?"

That was a rather complicated question, and Joan didn't know the answer.

She suddenly felt exhausted, and she wanted to rest for a while without anyone bothering her.

"What's wrong? Are the two of you not getting back together?" asked Jessica in a worried tone when she saw how hesitant Joan seemed.

There's no way, right? After all, they have been together for so many years. Are they really going to break up just like that? That's not likely, right? Besides, Joan has learned the truth behind why Larry signing the divorce papers, so...

"Can we not talk about this now? Let's talk about your bookstore. How is it going?" asked Joan.

How did she know that I recently set up a bookstore?

"It's good. Everything is progressing well now, but I plan on making it a chain store," answered Jessica.

I want to be a strong and successful woman. That way, Caspian will have no grounds to yell or diss at me anymore.

"That sounds amazing. Good luck."

"Joan!"

Just then, a familiar and feminine voice disrupted the conversation between the two ladies.

"What is going on? How did you get kidnapped? Come, let me see how you are. Are you hurt?" asked Nancy. She was panting as she examined the woman on the bed.

"Don't worry, Nancy. I'm fine. See? I'm alright," replied Joan.

"Alright? You're hospitalized! How can you still say that you're alright?" scolded Nancy while glaring at her.

"How did you know that I was kidnapped?"

"Larry told me. He asked if I was free to come and keep you company," replied Nancy. He is so considerate, thought Joan, who felt warm and fuzzy inside.

"So, who is behind this? Who would dare come after you?" asked Nancy, who had gotten into her gossiping mode.

"It's nothing, really. Just a bunch of hooligans..." answered Joan awkwardly.

Jessica was standing at the side and was going to step up to explain the situation. However, she caught Joan's expression and cue, so she exited the room instead.

Nevermind. She must have her own reasons for lying.

"What happened next?"

"Nothing. I was rescued after that."

That's it? No way! Nancy seemed angry as she stared suspiciously at the woman in front of her.

"Joan, aren't we BFFs? How can you lie to me about something like this?"

I just don't want to worry you, thought Joan before she smiled awkwardly.

"Okay, stop worrying needlessly. I'm fine. Here's the gist of it. I had a friend whose father is angry at me because..." said Joan.