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Levi looked at everyone and said, "Bryan, Victoria, Lionel, Tammy, Russell, Patrick, Holly, Kit, Misty, and Rick. Look at me, all of you!"

Everyone's hearts were in their throats when their names were called. They knew what was going on. It's like Hades and his Furies sentencing punishments to us.

All of them had no other choice but to obey Levi's order.

"Did you murder Morris Atkinson?" Levi asked them.

"No..."

Someone was about to deny it. Then his eyes met with Levi's unforgiving gaze.

Everyone nodded immediately. Admitting our crime is a wiser choice now.

"All of you are going to repent by kneeling in front of Morris's grave for 3 days and 3 nights!" Levi commanded harshly.

Garfield Perkins waved his hand. Soldiers brought Rick and the others forcefully to Morris's grave.

Levi looked at Morris's tomb and said with a smile, "Morris! I've brought all the accomplices who conspired your death to repent in front of you! I will send every one of them to accompany you soon!"

Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson were tear-stricken. Levi's effort to avenge Morris touched them.

Levi looked at the other members of the Garrison family.

"Bryan and Victoria, do you still remember how you broke my legs that night?" Levi grinned at them menacingly.

The couple was scared out of their wits.

Tap tap tap...

The scariest part was Levi's continuous advancement in their direction.

Bryan and Victoria wanted to back away from him, but they had nowhere to escape because of the guns pointed at the back of their heads.

Finally, Levi came to a halt in front of them.

He took the baseball bat from Bryan's hand and sized up the stick. "Is this the bat you used to break my legs 6 years ago? I suppose you kept it all this while so you can cripple me again?"

Thump thump thump...

Both of them slammed their foreheads against the ground to beg for Levi's forgiveness as an ominous feeling crept into their hearts. "Please forgive us, Levi! We will not repeat our mistake. Just think of us as your servants from now on."

Levi sneered while tapping the baseball bat. "But you did not show me any mercy 6 years ago."

"That was because we were..."

Bam!

"Argh!"

Levi smashed Bryan's knee with the bat as soon as he tried to explain himself. Bryan howled in pain as his bones shattered.

"This is the treatment I received from you in the past!"

Bam!

"Arghh!"

Levi did not spare any of Bryan's limbs. The latter rolled on the floor, screaming hysterically in agony.

Then Levi looked at Victoria.

"Don't touch me! I'm just a woman!" Victoria shielded herself with her hands.

"But you are an evil woman!"

Bam!

Levi broke Victoria's hands and legs as well. Then he tossed the disabled couple at the side of Morris's grave to repent for their sins.

They are related to that matter, after all! Levi thought to himself as he shifted his gaze onto Joseph Garrison and his foster parents.

Joseph and the others lowered their heads fearfully.

“I never thought we would end up in this situation!” Levi said in a self-deprecating manner. “I can declare that I am innocent! I’ve worked hard for this family since I was young to repay all of you. Who was the person to bring fame and wealth to the Garrison family in the past? That person was me! Did I not prove my sincerity by treating all of you with kindness?” Levi questioned.

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“You’re absolutely right, Levi!” Joseph and the others said in a hurry.

“I will not harm you because you used to be my grandpa and my foster parents. I am not an insensible person, but I will deprive the Garrison family of all possessions, especially my Levi Group!

I will also sever all ties with you from this moment onwards. Your fates will have nothing to do with me from now on. Also, don’t you dare try to do anything by quoting my name. Otherwise, all of you will face certain death!”

Levi’s judgment was simple enough to understand. The Garrison family was doomed. They were one of the wealthiest families in North Hampton, but Levi now turned them into an ordinary family without any power or money. That punishment was worse than death in their opinion.

Joseph and his family’s years of effort turned into dust with a single order from Levi. The Garrison family’s assets, worth up to billions, were taken away from them, leaving them with absolutely nothing. That sudden and drastic change was unacceptable and surreal to the Garrisons.

Levi looked at Jack Smith and the other underworld figures. He sneered. “All of you do not have to die. But you disrupted the peace at Morris’s grave. So you will kneel before him for one day and one night!”

“Yes. Yes! Everyone kneel!” All the thugs followed Jack Smith’s order and knelt.

“We will also turn this place into a proper cemetery dedicated to Mr. Morris Atkinson after this, sir!” Jack Smith offered.

Levi did not reject his proposal.

Finally, Levi addressed the 100 thousand soldiers. “Thank you for your hard work, brothers!”

“God of War!”

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“God of War!”

The battle without any casualties ended with the war cry.

Zoey did not know how long had passed, but she had cried her eyes out and fainted 3 times.

Aaron called Harry to ask about the situation.

Harry said, “I received an update saying the confrontation has ended. But no one exited the place or saw Levi anywhere. So I suppose he’s dead.”

Harry was concerned about Zoey’s condition because she was still handling that huge project. “How’s Zoey?”

“Zoey passed out for the third time, father!” Aaron answered helplessly.

Harry rebuked angrily, “What are you doing? Is that how you console her? Try harder! Levi’s death is a favorable outcome. In this way, Zoey can marry another person. If Samuel’s brothers are not good enough, then we will look for a better candidate. Bear this in mind. The Lopez family will thrive once Levi is out of the way.”

Harry almost laughed out loud on the other end of the phone. I can finally exploit Zoey and her family to my heart’s content with Levi gone.

Zoey gradually regained her consciousness after some time.

She questioned her parents while looking at them. “What’s the situation now? How’s Levi?”

Aaron sighed. “To be honest, I do not want to tell you this.”

“What’s going on, Dad? Hurry up and tell me!” Zoey grabbed Aaron’s arm.

“I received an update from your grandpa. Levi is dead!”

Zoey slumped onto the floor and shrieked hysterically after listening to her father. “Levi!”

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Meanwhile, Rick Garrison knelt before Levi.

Rick told Levi he had something to inform him when Levi was about to leave.

“What’s the matter? Spit it out.”

“Mr... No, that’s not right. Sir. Do you really think we, the Garrison family, were capable of pulling off the feat 6 years ago by ourselves, sir?” Rick asked.

Levi narrowed his eyes in response. He seemed to have noticed the problem too. Now that I think about this, there are a lot of details that don’t quite add up. For example, the Garrison family should not have been able to take control of Levi Group so easily. Moreover, there must be someone who orchestrated the multiple charges against me and my imprisonment. I do not believe the Garrison family to be so competent. There is someone else supporting them!

Rick smiled. “We harbored the intention for a long time but did not have the capabilities to execute the plan. But someone suddenly appeared and provided our family with assistance amidst our hesitation.”

“Who is that person?” Levi asked coldly.

“Oswald Rogers. You and Ms. Zoey’s schoolmate in the past, sir!” Rick revealed that person’s identity.

Levi took a deep breath at the mention of Oswald Rogers. Oswald was in the same high school as Zoey and me. He was also Zoey’s classmate. We competed for Zoey’s favor in the past, and I came out as the winner. But Oswald did not give up pursuing Zoey until our wedding day.

Oswald’s family background is more than just impressive. The Rogers family’s net worth is easily over billions with properties all over the globe. They are the true top-tiered family in North Hampton, at least 10 times more influential than the Garrison family.

Every decision they make can alter the economic standing of this city. If Oswald Rogers is the mastermind, then everything makes sense. He does have the power to place me behind bars effortlessly.

Rick continued. “Oswald Rogers was angry because of your marriage to Ms. Zoey. So he planned everything with the goal to destroy you.”

Levi finally understood why the Garrison family decided to execute the plan on his wedding day. This is all because of Oswald Rogers. Well, it is not surprising for him to get mad, knowing the love of his life was getting married to another man.

Rick shook his head in despair. "Oswald would not have gotten the opportunity if we did not harbor ill intent in the first place. Ultimately, this is still the Garrison family's fault."

Levi glared at him. "Glad you know."

Zoey had no other choice but to accept the reality because Levi did not return home after she waited for him for the whole day.

Harry Lopez even hosted a dinner banquet to celebrate the joyous occasion.

Zoey was brought to the banquet venue in a daze by her parents.

"We are having this banquet tonight for very simple reasons. The first being the reinstatement of Zoey Lopez as part of the family. The second reason is to celebrate Zoey's escape from her disastrous marriage. Lastly, the Lopez family will develop the West City project alongside Zoey from now on. So, cheers everybody!" Harry announced with his wine glass raised.

Everyone else in the family raised their glasses as well, with delightful smiles on their faces.

The Lopez family was exhilarated as if they were hosting a New Year's celebration.

Aaron and Caitlyn forced themselves to join in the fun.

Zoey was the only person who stood out like a sore thumb during the banquet due to her lifeless condition.

Harry gazed at Zoey. "Now that Levi is gone, you should consider remarrying, Zoey. There are plenty of excellent candidates in North Hampton to choose from. You will meet a better person soon."

"Who dares to ask my wife to marry another man?" A cold, harsh voice was heard all of a sudden.

Everyone turned to look at the door.

Levi was standing at the entrance, alive and well.

"Le-Levi Garrison?" Harry staggered as he nearly collapsed onto the floor.

"Are you a man or a ghost?" Samuel was close to hiding under the table out of fear.

Everyone was caught in perplexity and terror because a supposedly dead person had returned.

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“Do I look like a ghost?” Levi entered the venue and walked up to Samuel while the others gasped frightfully.

Samuel touched Levi’s arm with his trembling hand. Then he said in surprise, “You’re warm. You’re still alive! But that’s not possible!”

Levi sneered. “So you wanted me to die?”

“Ah? Of course not!” Samuel was panting heavily.

“Levi!” Zoey rushed over to him and wrapped her arms around him tightly.

Levi hugged her as well. “I’m sorry to have made you worried. My bad.”

Harry was confused. “This is impossible! The Garrison family and Jack Smith wouldn’t have spared your life!”

“That’s right! How can you stay alive when the Garrison family is targeting you? This is not possible!” Everyone added.

Even Zoey was looking at Levi curiously. “They’re right. How did you resolve the situation earlier?”

Levi tousled her hair and smiled. “I told you I can handle this matter.”

A thought popped into Zoey’s mind. “I saw a lot of soldiers nearby Morris’s grave just now. Is this related to them?”

Levi answered, “You’re right. The soldiers were having a military practice near that area in North Hampton. They dealt with the Garrison family because of their unwelcoming behavior. Luckily, I’m acquainted with the Azure Dragon. So he punished the Garrison family heavily on my behalf after knowing the whole story and promised to return Levi Group to me.”

Everyone in the Lopez family was dumbfounded after listening to Levi's explanation. They looked at him incredulously. Levi Group will be his possession again? Does that mean he will have a net worth of billions? So he will regain his former glory!

"Levi, I..."

Harry was about to bootlick Levi when the latter left the banquet with Zoey.

Every member of the Lopez family chased after them.

Harry shouted from behind, "Levi Garrison will forever be our family's pride. We must follow them. Hurry up!"

But they failed to catch up with Levi and Zoey.

Levi brought Zoey to the revolving restaurant in North Hampton city center to celebrate the success that night.

Harry made no fewer than 20 calls to Zoey, while the other members of the family visited Aaron's house. They were eager to butter Levi up.

In the end, Levi was annoyed by their relentless pestering. So he said, "I'll go to Levi Group to take over the business tomorrow with Zoey. Come to the company tomorrow if you have something to say."

Everyone from the Lopez family finally stopped badgering them. But they could not sleep that night due to their excitement.

Early in the morning the next day, everyone from the Lopez family followed Levi and Zoey to Levi Group. Even Harry Lopez tagged along. Not one of them wanted to miss that glorious moment.

Members of the Lopez family were filled with exhilaration as they gazed at Levi Group's skyscraper, including Zoey.

Levi went to the receptionist and stated his aim for his visit. "My name is Levi Garrison, and I am here to take over Levi Group today."

The receptionist looked at Levi in a daze. "Are you crazy? You're the first person to come here with such a ridiculous request."

Zoey retorted immediately, "The Garrison family stepped down from Levi Group's management, didn't they?"

"They did. But most of the board members are still present. Moreover, they already bought Levi Group's shares which were under the Garrison family's possession," explained the receptionist.



Zoey was confused. "What do you mean?"

"Are you not aware of the parent company behind Levi Group?" The receptionist asked.

Levi gained revelation instantaneously. The Rogers family! They are the holding company of Levi Group. That means the Garrison family never had control of Levi Group, to begin with. This company belongs to the Rogers family!

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Harry and the others questioned, "What's going on?"

Melanie checked Levi Group's status on the Internet with her mobile phone and explained. "Sky Incorporated is the majority shareholder of Levi Group. This company completely belongs to Sky Incorporated after the Garrison family gave up their shares."

"Sky Incorporated is the holding company owned by the prestigious Rogers family, right?" Henry asked.

Harry frowned. He asked the receptionist with all seriousness, "That means Levi Group has always belonged to the Rogers family, and Levi Garrison is not at all related to this company?"

She nodded. "That's right. The Rogers family took control of Levi Group 6 years ago. I don't know how all of you found the courage to come here demanding to take over the company when Levi Garrison is just a nobody here."

At that moment, a group of people ushered the CEO of Levi Group, Howard Corbyn, into the company.

Oswald Rogers was the chairman of Levi Group, while his trusted aide, Howard, was the Chief Executive Officer.

Howard Corbyn had a busy night as well. I received the news of the confrontation between the Garrison family and Levi Garrison last night. Surprisingly, they stumbled into the God of War amidst their argument while the soldiers were having a military practice nearby. The Garrison family invoked the God of War's wrath and suffered greatly. They had to give up all their family's assets, so I spent the entire night purchasing the shares under their possession. Oswald even told me the Garrison family is a bunch of fools to have infuriated

the God of War. He was also amazed by Levi's unbelievable fortune to have escaped the predicament by receiving the God of War's help.

But Oswald and Howard did not know that the God of War was actually Levi.

Howard saw Levi and the others gathering in the lobby as soon as he entered the company building.

He walked up to the crowd with a frown. "What's the matter?"

The receptionist answered, "Mr. Corbyn, these people said that they are here to take control of the company. I suppose they are here to stir up trouble."

Howard eyed Levi and Zoey as he listened to the receptionist. He sneered. "Oh? So it is Levi Garrison in the flesh!"

Howard recognized Levi because he participated in the scheme 6 years ago.

"Are you part of the Rogers family?" Levi asked mockingly.

"That's right. You sure move quick, coming here to take over the company right after the Garrison family's downfall. But let me tell you now. Levi Group is no longer related to you, Levi Garrison. We are now the majority shareholder of Levi Group, so this company is ours legally!" Howard raised his voice.

"Look at this group of clowns! Do you think you can become rich instantaneously by taking over Levi Group? Idiots! Hahaha..." The people surrounding them were laughing hysterically at Levi and the Lopez family.

Harry, Aaron, and the others lowered their heads. This is so shameful! It's like we are a bunch of country bumpkins. How can the Lopez family continue to stay in North Hampton if this incident spreads around?

"It's time for all of you to leave! Levi Group does not welcome you! Take them away, guards!" Multiple security guards closed in on Levi and the others after receiving the order from Howard.

Levi and the rest of the Lopez family were chased out of the building by the security guards in the end. "Know your place, you poor people!" The guard rebuked them.

Disgrace! This is the worst humiliation the Lopez family has ever suffered. There will be no way for us to recover from this insult. Everyone in North Hampton will laugh at us from now on. Harry Lopez thought to himself.

Levi grimaced in silence. I did not deal with the situation right away because I want to toy with the Rogers family further. All of you will suffer in despair soon. Just you wait, Oswald Rogers!

The sheer humiliation was unbearable to the Lopez family after being thrown out from Levi Group. All of them stared at Levi hatefully.

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We tried so hard to please him last night because we thought he's wealthy. But he is just a poor loser with nothing on him. Not only did we gain nothing, but we also lost our family's dignity because of him.

"Levi Garrison! Do you care to explain yourself? How dare you come here without grasping the situation properly? I want to strangle you to death so badly right now!" Harry Lopez exploded with rage.

Samuel scolded Levi angrily, "Are you hallucinating by any chance? This company has got nothing to do with you!"

Henry was stomping his feet furiously. "Great! You've successfully ruined the Lopez family's good name. Are you happy now?"

Aaron and Caitlyn were sobbing. "You are truly a good-for-nothing piece of shit. Why are we still related to you? When will you stop daydreaming and be a down-to-earth person? We must've committed unforgivable crimes in our past lives to deserve an awful son-in-law like you. How we hope we can sever all ties with you!"

Zoey could not hide her disappointment either. Levi has crossed a line by doing this. He brought shame to the entire family. The Lopez family is well-known throughout North Hampton, yet we were chased out by the security guards earlier. This is all his fault!

Zoey glowered at Levi. "How many times have I told you that you should be honest, stay calm, and stop indulging in your daydreams? You've truly disappointed me this time. Not only did you fail to make us proud, but you also brought dishonor to the Lopez family! But let's forget about this. I believe in your capabilities, so let's work hard together in the future." Zoey consoled Levi in the end.

This is why I am infatuated with Zoey. She believes in me no matter how disappointed she is with me. Having a woman who places her faith in one under all circumstances is such a blessing. "Okay. I will listen to you from now on." Levi smiled. "But you don't have to worry because I will take back Levi Group sooner or later."

“Stop that bullshit! I can hardly contain my urge to slap you!” Samuel and Shaun were consumed by rage.

Harry warned his son again. “You better monitor your son-in-law well, Aaron. The Lopez family is not related to him in the future. So don’t you dare cause any trouble for us!” Then they left resentfully.

Aaron and Caitlyn glared at Levi. “Useless idiot. You’re not better than a piece of trash!” Both of them left as well after they spoke.

Zoey comforted Levi. “They are only saying that because they are mad. Don’t take their words to heart. I am a little angry at you after what happened too.”

Levi smiled indifferently. “It’s okay. It’s all water under the bridge now.”

A gold color, custom-ordered Rolls-Royce arrived at Levi Group’s entrance shortly after Levi and Zoey departed.

Howard Corbyn and the other executives hurriedly went to welcome the person. Howard even took the initiative to open the car door.

A man wearing a white suit got out of the car. His entire outfit was custom-made by the best tailor from abroad.

That man adjusted his gold-rimmed spectacles and asked with a smile. “Levi and Zoey left?”

That man was Oswald Rogers.

“They left, Mr. Rogers. Levi was as disgraced as a dog!” Howard reported cheerfully.

Oswald sneered. “I will begin my plan to target Levi and Zoey soon. Levi will meet the same fate as Morris Atkinson, while I will have Zoey sleep with me on her own accord and please me with her body!”

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Howard and the other subordinates put on a menacing smile. No one has ever escaped a terrible fate after being targeted by Mr. Rogers. Any man who offends him is either dead or crippled.

He has never failed to obtain any girl he’s interested in either. This is the first time Mr. Rogers is so fixated on targeting someone. Levi Garrison and Zoey Lopez will end up with a worse outcome than 6 years ago, and there will be no way for them to escape this time.

Howard said, "Levi is extremely lucky recently, Mr. Rogers. He encountered the Azure Dragon a few times and even met with the God of War yesterday."

Jealousy glinted in Oswald's eyes. "You're right. He is lucky. I envy his luck to get to meet with the God of War. He stumbled into the man even the richest men in the entire North Hampton like us have never met once. However, Levi also met with me. Our meeting will be the start of his endless nightmares!"

That embarrassing incident involving the Lopez family spread like wildfire as they expected. Everyone in the family could no longer hold their heads high.

Aaron and Caitlyn were also ridiculed by their colleagues.

Zoey did not escape a similar fate. Her friends were deliberately mocking her as well. This is all Levi's fault. Luckily, we are no longer staying with my parents. Otherwise, there will be no end to the insults directed at him. Nonetheless, I am glad that Levi is still alive despite our current circumstances.

Levi left the house early in the morning that day, while Zoey went to work as usual.

He visited Kirin's training base.

All 80 mercenaries hired by Rick Garrison the other day were captured by Kirin and brought to the training base because Levi had a task for those people.

He wanted to keep the mercenaries by his side because it was a hassle for him to transfer men from the North Hampton warzone to do his bidding all the time. Levi was preparing for the future troubles he had to face.

James and the other mercenaries were beyond shocked to receive the offer to become the God of War's bodyguards. We are all familiar with the God of War's legendary achievements and title. He is our motivation to survive in every warzone. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to serve him will bring honor to our family!

"I've assigned these people to serve you, sir! I also selected a few outstanding soldiers from the few warzones nearby to form a Special Operations Regiment. So I will need your consent by signing on this order," Kirin said with a smile.

Kirin was a man who was addicted to training soldiers into elite members of the special troop during his leisure time.

"Hand the papers to me. I'll sign it."

“By the way, will you attend our first practice, Sir? The newbies can admire you at that time!”

“Okay.” Levi agreed.

Then he left after he was done assigning the tasks to the mercenaries.

Levi saw Abigail in the house when he returned to the Bayview Garden. “Don’t you have class today?” Levi asked in surprise.

“There’s no point attending those classes because I am already familiar with the content. I am very smart, after all.” Abigail sipped on her yogurt drink while pacing around the living room in her shorts.

“Oh! My parents will visit North Hampton tomorrow. I will treat my aunt and the others to a meal as well. You must join us, Levi!” Abigail said cheerfully.

“Okay.” I heard Caitlyn came from an influential family. She disregarded the Black family’s opposition and married Aaron of her own accord. Her action infuriated them. I’ve never seen Abigail previously because Caitlyn’s family never attended my wedding 6 years ago.

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Aaron asked Levi and Zoey to visit his house that night.

He glared at Levi fiercely. “We’ll forget about the incident that happened yesterday morning, but you better don’t embarrass us tomorrow. I’ll kick you out without any hesitation if you dare to act shamelessly!”

Zoey was caught in perplexity. “What’s happening tomorrow, Dad?”

Levi smiled. “Abigail’s parents are visiting tomorrow.”

“Oh? Do you already know? I suppose Abigail told you? He’s right. They are visiting North Hampton tomorrow, and they will treat our family to dinner.” Aaron elaborated.

Caitlyn said solemnly, “Zoey, you are aware of the Black family’s influence, right? I have to remind you in advance not to commit any error tomorrow because of your uncles’ significant social status.”

“Alright, Mom.” Zoey nodded.

Levi asked nonchalantly, "Why are you so nervous? We are just having a meal together."

"Of course we are nervous. Abigail's parents are no ordinary people!" Aaron looked at Levi and Zoey. "Do you know why Abigail takes her mother's surname? That's because her mother, Pamela Rogers, is a member of the ultra-wealthy family in North Hampton, the Rogers family! They requested for Abigail to take her mother's surname."

"I see. No wonder Abigail's surname is Rogers." Zoey was informed of that matter for the first time.

Levi's eyes gleamed pensively. So, they are related to Oswald Rogers and his family.

"Are you aware of the importance of this situation now? Pamela is the Rogers family's representative."

Levi and Zoey were only allowed to leave after Aaron nagged them relentlessly to be mindful and stay vigilant when meeting Abigail's parents.

The next day, Abigail's parents, Bailey Black and Pamela Rogers, visited North Hampton. They stayed in the Marriott Hotel and hosted the dinner gathering at the same venue.

A normal room in the Marriott Hotel cost a few thousand per night, while the presidential suite was priced at no less than 80 thousand.

It was a must for Bailey Black and Pamela Rogers to stay in the presidential suite of a 5-star hotel whenever they went on a trip.

Aaron and Caitlyn were astounded when they learned of the price because a night's stay was equivalent to 3 times of Caitlyn's monthly salary.

Four people were seated inside the VIP private room on the second floor of the hotel when Levi and the others arrived. There was another man inside the room aside from Abigail and her parents.

Levi could sense Abigail's gloom instantaneously.

She hurried over toward the door when she saw them. "You're finally here, Levi!"

Bailey, Pamela, and the unknown man stood up simultaneously.

Bailey Black was calm, collected, and dignified.

Pamela, on the other hand, was covered in lavish clothing and accessories. She gave off the temperament of a member of the royalty. Besides, she seemed radiant like a famous celebrity because of her great effort in taking care of her body.

That unknown man was tall and burly, with muscles that rippled all over his body.

Levi knew that man was a soldier with a single glance.

Aaron and his family sat around the table warily after a warm greeting between two parties.

Abigail sat in between Levi and Zoey as if she was hiding from that man.

Aaron did not dare to speak in the presence of Pamela Rogers.

Caitlyn looked at that unknown man and asked, "Who is this, Pamela?"

Pamela answered delightfully, "Caitlyn, this boy is the son of your brother's close friend. His name is Will Ramos, and he is an outstanding child. He is the first-ranking soldier in his camp, so he is selected to participate in the private training camp organized by the King of War, Kirin. Will will be the upcoming military leader in the future!"

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Levi thought to himself. So, he's one of the soldiers transferred here by Kirin? I guess he told everyone about the selection because that is indeed a significant achievement.

Will Ramos straightened his back and puffed out his chest proudly.

He greeted Caitlyn and her family politely when Pamela mentioned his name.

Lust glinted in his eyes as he glanced at Zoey. Beauty sure runs in their family.

"Do not hesitate to ask me for help in the future, should you require any assistance. I will certainly have the capabilities to settle your troubles," Will said to Aaron, Caitlyn, and Zoey.

Bailey Black nodded in satisfaction. "This boy is highly competent. I am sure he will become one of the highest-ranked soldiers in near future!"

Pamela smiled. "That's for sure. I've never misjudged anyone. He will serve the King of War, Kirin, since he is selected to take part in the Special Operations Regiment training camp. Are you aware of Kirin's great name?"



Aaron replied, "Kirin is the trusted aide of the commander-in-chief for the Nine Warzones, God of War."

"That's right. I guess you and your family aren't completely ignorant. Will will soon serve the God of War. Can you imagine the bright future that awaits him?" Pamela asked.

Aaron and Caitlyn glared at Levi. Then they shook their heads and sighed. "His future must be promising!" Why is our son-in-law so useless when compared to others?

"I can't say the same for your son-in-law." Bailey sneered.

Aaron's face turned sour. "You're right. He's just a nobody."

"Dad, Uncle, that's not true. My brother-in-law is amazing!" Abigail defended Levi while looking at him admiringly.

Anger surged within Will Ramos at that sight. I've always liked Abigail, and I've now received recognition from Pamela Rogers herself. But Abigail still never smiles at me or shows any interest in me. So why is she looking up to this criminal who is just recently released from jail? This is outrageous!

"Don't be fooled by him, Abigail. His achievements 6 years ago were barely acceptable. But now, he's just a piece of human trash," Bailey said unmercifully.

"That's right. You're absolutely right. Levi is nothing compared to Will." Aaron and Caitlyn agreed with Bailey.

Abigail was about to speak further, but Levi held her hand to stop her.

Will noticed the intimate interaction of Abigail and Levi under the table. He gritted his teeth angrily and clenched his fists. But then he said with a smile after regaining his composure. "The day after tomorrow will be the first day of our training camp. I want to invite both of you to the ceremony, Mr. Black and Mdm. Rogers. Perhaps we can get acquainted with the King of War, Kirin, if we're lucky."

Kirin allowed the soldiers to bring their families along to the opening ceremony of the training camp. Will wanted to bring his parents initially, but he changed his mind on the spot and offered the chance to Bailey and Pamela.

"I heard the news of the God of War's participation in this ceremony as well. Although we will not get the opportunity to get acquainted with him, being able to admire him from afar in person is already a once-in-a-lifetime blessing." Will was filled in anticipation for the day to arrive. I idolized the God of War and the five Kings of Wars serving him since I became a soldier. It is my biggest wish to meet them in person. So there is no way I can stay calm, knowing I can finally fulfil this greatest wish of my life soon.

“What? Really? Not only can we meet with the King of War, Kirin, but we can also see Protector of Erudia, the God of War in person?” Pamela and Bailey almost leap in excitement.

“That’s right. Each soldier is allowed to bring 3 people to the ceremony, so Abigail should tag along too.” Will deliberately glanced at Abigail.

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“Okay. We are attending the ceremony for sure! This is awesome! What if I am lucky enough to become acquainted with the God of War? I will be treated with respect even in the Rogers family if that happens.” Pamela began to imagine a better life in her mind.

“We are so jealous of you. This kind of opportunity will never be available to us even after many lifetimes.” Aaron and Caitlyn envied Abigail and her parents because they wanted to meet with those legendary figures as well.

Zoey, on the other hand, was unfazed.

Pamela said arrogantly, “Well, we can’t help you with that, Caitlyn. This ceremony is not available to everyone, after all.”

However, Levi voiced out nonchalantly all of a sudden. “It’s just an opening ceremony for a training camp. We can attend whenever we want.”

Dreadful silence filled the room as they looked at Levi after he spoke.

Even Zoey frowned at him. He’s not able to change his bad habit of talking big even now.

Will burst out with laughter. “Hahaha... what did you say? You can attend whenever you want? What a joke! Do you know the qualifications required to be shortlisted for this training camp? Only the top ten most outstanding soldiers from each warzone are selected. Who are you to join the ceremony anyway, Mr. Nobody?”

Levi chuckled. “I can go because someone invited me. He even told me the ceremony would not proceed without me.”

Bailey and Pamela’s faces were contorted with rage as they glowered at Levi.

Aaron and Caitlyn grimaced while Zoey lowered her head, desperate to find a place to hide. He's getting more and more ridiculous. The opening ceremony cannot proceed without him? I do not expect anyone to believe him because even I can't bring myself to listen to him.

Abigail thought Levi was boasting too much as well. She was embarrassed by his brazenness too.

Will laughed out loud. "You're hilarious! The ceremony cannot proceed without you? Do you think you're the King of War, Kirin, or the God of War?"

Pamela gazed at Caitlyn and Aaron solemnly. "I am worried about the well-being of your family. This is unacceptable!"

Aaron exploded with rage. "What did I tell you last night? Did I not ask you to behave and stop daydreaming? Are you disregarding my words now?"

"We shouldn't have brought you here in the first place. You bring nothing but shame to our family." Caitlyn glared at Levi fiercely.

Levi sneered. "You can say all you want, but I will attend the ceremony anyway."

Bam!

Bailey slammed on the table furiously. "Is this how your son-in-law behaves, Aaron? He's not respecting us at all!"

Pamela was upset as well. "We don't have to finish this dinner if your son-in-law is so capable! I'm afraid we are too lowly to share a table with your family's high and mighty status. Let's go! We're not staying here any longer."

No one expected the sudden turn of events as the dinner ended disastrously.

Aaron and Caitlyn were startled. We wanted to seize this opportunity to mend my relationship with the Black family with their help. But Levi had to ruin everything as always.

Colors drained from their faces. "Please console your parents, Abigail. This is all our fault. We will apologize to them personally after your parents' anger subsides." The couple placed their hopes on Abigail.

"Okay. Leave it to me." Abigail glanced at Levi with complicated emotions in her eyes.

Will leaned against the door and jeered at Levi. "I hope to see you at the opening ceremony the day after tomorrow."

## **Chapter 111.**

Will left the room cockily, leaving Aaron and his family to look at one another helplessly.

Caitlyn said despondently, "The Rogers family and the Black family are both powerful families with strict household regulations. They do not condone this type of behavior. So I cannot blame them for being mad."

Aaron fixated his hateful stare on Levi as he roared, "I can't wait to strangle you to death with my own hands one day!"

He was about to slap Levi when Zoey stopped her father.

"Calm down. We'll just apologize to Uncle and Aunt another day." Zoey comforted her parents.

"Calm down? He tainted our reputations in front of the Black family and the Rogers family! What are you trying to do, Levi Garrison? Do you want to drive us to our deaths before you change that shitty attitude of yours?" Caitlyn pointed at Levi as she rebuked him.

Levi said helplessly. "Father, mother, I really do have to attend the opening ceremony."

"That's not the issue here. You brought shame to our family and offended Bailey and Pamela! So what if you attend the ceremony? That doesn't change anything. You're still a piece of human trash!" Aaron yelled angrily.

Caitlyn could not contain her wrath too. "Perhaps you can participate in the ceremony because you once stumbled into the God of War due to sheer luck. But he's not acquainted with you at the end of the day. You have nothing to back up your big words as always!"

Zoey immediately dragged Levi away. They will force us to get a divorce if we stay there any longer.

The next day, Abigail contacted Aaron in the afternoon and told him her parents had calmed down. Abigail's parents were willing to accept their apology if they bring Levi along and make him ask for their forgiveness sincerely. But they wanted to deal with Aaron and his family only after the opening ceremony ended.

Aaron ordered Levi to beg for Bailey and Pamela's forgiveness in person. Otherwise, he would have to divorce Zoey.

Levi agreed to his request.

The opening ceremony for Kirin's Special Operations Regiment occurred the next day.

Kirin contacted Levi early in the morning, informing the latter that he would be picking him up.

Levi asked Aaron, Caitlyn, and Zoey if they wanted to tag along with him to the opening ceremony, but they scolded him instead.

Zoey chided him and told him not to interrupt her during her office hours.

Meanwhile, the army sent a car to pick Will up.

Abigail and her family got into the car together with him.

Pamela could not hide her exhilaration for having the opportunity to sit in an army vehicle despite her extraordinary family background.

The soldier driving the car said cheerfully, "You guys are so lucky, Will. The King of War, Kirin, will be instructing all of you personally. Most importantly, the God of War wants to give a motivational speech to all of you too."

Will was fidgeting in his seat as he could barely contain his excitement to meet with his idol, the God of War. "You're right. I can't believe I am blessed with this good fortune." Will smiled in embarrassment.

"That's because of your remarkable excellence. They wouldn't have selected you otherwise!" Pamela complimented him.

The soldier driving the car nodded in agreement. "She's right. You must be an elite soldier to qualify for the training camp."

Will straightened his back proudly as they flattered him. But disappointment rose within him when he turned to look at Abigail.

Abigail was not gazing at Will with admiration as he thought she should be. In contrast, she was acting indifferently.

The car entered the military zone after some time.

They finally arrived at the training base after another hour.

All of them were impressed by the sight of soldiers equipped with actual weapons standing guard all over the place.

The participants for the training camp and their families were arranged to sit in a large, vacated area.

A total of 100 participants were selected to join the training camp. Everyone was looking around enthusiastically as if it was their first day of enlistment in the army.

## **Chapter 112.**

Someone whispered, "It's better to keep quiet in this place to prevent offending anyone here. They're all formidable men."

"You're right. There are plenty of veterans attending the training camp for the first time, but they are already part of the Special Operations Regiment."

Will was not his usual arrogant self after hearing the whispers. He stayed silent and became timid among the crowd.

Pamela and the others were more excited than frightened. The people inside this base are all highly ranked soldiers and impressive men in the army. We can count ourselves lucky to be acquainted with just a few of them.

"Alright. Friends and families, come over here. I want all the soldiers to follow me!"

In the end, the crowd was segregated into 2 groups. The soldiers were crouching in front while their families sat behind on the benches provided.

Pamela and Bailey were overjoyed to see the colonels and officers lined up in front of them.

Pamela began to scan her surroundings as a thought popped into her mind.

She sneered after examining the crowd. "Levi Garrison is a joke. Didn't he say he'll be attending as well? Where is he? I can't even spot his shadow among all these people."

"Don't tell me you believe in that scum's words? I did not even take him seriously last night," Bailey responded mockingly.

Abigail started looking for Levi as well. She thought Levi would come, but she did not see him anywhere.

Will had already searched the crowd with his gaze, and he did not encounter Levi either. He thought to himself sarcastically. Where are you, Levi Garrison? You're just a piece of human trash good at talking big at the end of the day.

"Quiet down, everyone. The King of War, Kirin, will make an appearance soon." An officer waved his hand in front to signal everyone. The crowd fell silent as they held their breaths involuntarily, waiting for the King of War to show himself.

A military SUV drove into the area shortly after. The soldiers and guards saluted immediately at the sight of the vehicle.

A murmur of excitement rippled through the crowd. "The God of War is here!"

Pamela and Bailey stared unblinkingly at the SUV.

A young man dressed in a military outfit with one star embedded on his shoulder got out of the car. That man was the King of War, Kirin.

Every soldier gazed at him with respect after he got out of the car.

All the family members gasped in terror when they saw Kirin's appearance. The King of War is such a young man?

Everyone's eyes were still fixated on the SUV because they assumed the next person to come out of the car would be the God of War. But they were met with disappointment.

Someone was seated inside the SUV, but he did not get out of the car.

Kirin moved forward and addressed the crowd. "First of all, I want to welcome everyone to the training camp's opening ceremony. Next, I have a statement to announce. The God of War himself is seated inside the car. But there are privacy rules to follow in the army. Non-military personnel are not allowed to meet with him."

Everyone was well aware of the privacy rules, but they could not help feeling a little regretful for missing the opportunity to meet with the God of War. Even Will Ramos was disheartened.

Kirin added, "However, the God of War will meet with the newcomers later."

The passion returned to Will's deadpan eyes instantaneously. I can finally meet my idol!

The friends and families of the participants stared intently at the SUV in an attempt to discern the God of War's figure. Pamela Rogers and Bailey Black did that too.

Pamela even put on a pair of glasses to aid with her eyesight.

Abigail looked in the direction of the SUV curiously as well.

Suddenly, she exclaimed subconsciously, "Why does he resemble my brother-in-law?"

Pamela was shocked. "You think so too? That man inside the car does look like Levi Garrison!"

"Let me see!" Bailey Black put on his glasses and narrowed his eyes at the SUV. "I think this person does look similar to him too!"

### **Chapter 113.**

Abigail and her parents exchanged glances with one another as a thought flashed across their minds. Could Levi Garrison be the God of War?

But they quickly erased that idea. That's impossible. If Levi is the God of War, why did he let Aaron and Caitlyn live in such a small room? Why is Aaron still driving a Haval if his son-in-law is so capable?

"Say, will the God of War wear a military outfit if he's here in the army base?" Bailey asked suddenly.

"Of course! This is such an important ceremony." Abigail and her mother answered at the same time.

They did not believe the God of War to be Levi despite the resemblance in appearance.

At that moment, someone got out of the car.

That person was Azure Dragon dressed in his military outfit.

Kirin nodded in Azure Dragon's direction when he sensed his movements.

"That must be the God of War!" Everyone gazed in that direction frantically.

The outsiders thought that only the God of War could trigger such respectful acknowledgement from Kirin. But they did not know it was normal for Kirin to greet Azure Dragon that way because the latter was Kirin's senior.

Moreover, Azure Dragon's rank was blocked by the car because he got down from the other side of the vehicle. So the crowd assumed him to be the God of War.



"I am right! There's no way Levi Garrison is the God of War. I am satisfied with this outcome now. We've finally seen the God of War's great appearance." Pamela and her husband were exhilarated.

Everyone was under the impression that they had met with the actual God of War. But they did not know that Azure Dragon deliberately got out of the car to ventilate the air inside the vehicle because Levi wanted to smoke.

The opening ceremony ended quickly.

Pamela Rogers and Bailey Black had their wish fulfilled as they were acquainted with Kirin before they left.

However, they did not know that Levi had arranged for Kirin to look for Abigail on purpose. Pamela and Bailey were contented because they thought the meeting with Kirin was due to fate.

The newcomers were gathered together after their friends and families left.

Will and the other soldiers were agitated because they would be meeting the God of War now.

Levi got out of the car and walked toward the group of soldiers with Azure Dragon beside him.

Will was positioned at the back of the platoon, so he could not get a good look at the on-going scene. He barely made out the newly appeared figures.

"Oh? That person's silhouette looks like Levi Garrison," Will uttered to himself in astonishment with a frown.

Levi and Azure Dragon stood in front of the platoon.

Clarity washed over everyone when they saw Azure Dragon's rank. He's not the God of War. The God of War is the man standing next to him. That man in casual wear!

Kirin came to a halt in front of Levi and saluted him. "Report, Sir! We have gathered all the newcomers. Please provide us with further instructions!"

Kirin's gesture had indirectly reflected Levi's status.

Levi raised his voice firmly, "At ease, soldiers!"

All the newcomers made a similar and synchronized movement upon receiving the order.

Everyone panted heavily as they gazed at the God of War in awe, who was merely a few steps away from them.

Color drained from Will's face after he discerned Levi's face. H-H-He... He's the God of War? I'm not mistaken, right? Levi Garrison is the God of War. No wonder he said he could attend the ceremony at will. He even mentioned the ceremony would not proceed without him...

Will's heart was beating in his throat as adrenaline coursed through his body. He was scared out of his wits.

When he looked up, Will noticed Levi was staring at him with a smile. Fear overwhelmed him at that acknowledgement.

Thump!

Will's vision went black as he passed out on the ground.

Everyone was stunned. We are excited, but his condition is simply an exaggeration.

Levi asked coldly, "Where is this soldier from? What's with that terrible stamina and fragile body?"

#### **Chapter 114.**

"He is Will Ramos from South City's South Warzone, Sir!" Someone reported immediately.

Kirin said furiously. "How did he qualify the selection with that kind of stamina? Send him back to where he came from!"

Afterwards, Levi's brief pep talk to the soldiers marked the beginning of the training camp.

Aaron visited Levi's house when he returned home that night.

He was there to inform Levi that Pamela and Bailey were willing to accept his apology that night because they were in a good mood.

"Okay. I'll go," Levi agreed. He also reserved a table at Grand Royal Restaurant with Zoey.

Abigail and her parents arrived after a short while.

Pamela and Bailey were over the moon as they smiled dazzlingly the whole time. They were even polite to Aaron and Caitlyn when they exchanged greetings.

“Why are you so happy? Let us be a part of the joy too.” Aaron and Caitlyn were intrigued.

Pamela was pleased. “This is all because of Will. Not only did we become acquainted with the King of War, Kirin, during the ceremony earlier, but we also got to see the God of War’s appearance.”

Abigail nodded in agreement.

“Really? You’re now acquainted with Kirin?” Aaron was caught in excitement. I want to get to know these influential figures too.

Exhilaration was written all over Bailey’s face. “That’s right. He even knows our names. He said Abigail looks like his sister.”

“What? The King of War, Kirin, knows your names? Oh my God!” Caitlyn was astounded.

Pamela explained, “They had our information as well as Will’s, so they know everyone about us. I think Kirin accepted us as part of his circle. Why else would he take the initiative to meet with us?”

Bailey nodded. “Yes. We do have the qualifications and background to be included in his circle. Kirin told us to look for him if we face any trouble in the future.”

Aaron and Caitlyn could not be more jealous about Abigail and her family’s luck.

“I am very happy today. Do not hesitate to contact me if you need any help in the future, Caitlyn,” Bailey said to his sister.

“Thank you, Bailey. Thank you!” Aaron and Caitlyn expressed their gratitude immediately. We’ve been waiting for so long for him to say that.

Bailey shifted his gaze onto Levi. “But he must apologize first!”

“Yes, that’s right. He needs to say that he’s sorry. Otherwise, we will never accept all of you.” Pamela was determined.

Abigail whispered to Levi as she was caught in a difficult position too. “Please don’t mind this, Levi.”

Zoey urged him as well. “Just do as they say.”

“I’m very sorry, Uncle and Aunt. I shouldn’t have talked back to you yesterday.” Levi apologized.

“Okay. I will forgive you because I am in a good mood today.” Pamela waved her hand.

Bailey questioned him suddenly. "By the way, did you attend the ceremony today? We did not see you there just now."

Pamela stared at Levi mockingly. Let's listen to his excuse.

"I went. But you were not qualified to meet with me." Levi told them the truth.

But his honesty infuriated Pamela and Bailey. They glared at him in fury.

Aaron and Caitlyn were dumbfounded. We poured in so much effort to finally get on good terms with them. But Levi has to ruin everything again.

Zoey was dazed. What did he say?

The door to the private room was pushed open just as Pamela and Bailey were about to unleash their anger. "Mr. Black, Mdm. Rogers, something terrible has happened. Mr. Ramos was kicked out from the North Hampton Warzone because he's not qualified to join the training camp due to his poor body condition. They will be sending him into the room now."

### **Chapter 115.**

Pamela and her husband's faces turned white upon hearing the news. "What? Poor body condition? Not qualified to participate in the training camp? Is there a mix-up here?" They were caught in utter disbelief. We know Will's capabilities well. He is definitely strong enough to take part in the training camp.

The door was pushed open again while they fell into a daze.

Two waiters brought Will into the room as he lay on a stretcher. Two men from the army followed behind them. They were tasked to send Will back.

"He's really here. What happened?" Pamela asked in a hurry.

But Will saw Levi from the corner of his eyes when he was about to speak.

"Argh..." He passed out again.

The soldiers sneered. "Look at that. This is the eighth time he fainted. How can he participate in the training camp in that condition?"

They were puzzled as well. What's wrong with him? He blacked out whenever we mentioned the God of War. But this time, he fainted before anyone said anything.

Pamela talked to one of the soldiers. "Is there any chance for Will Ramos to reenter the training camp?"

"I'm afraid that's not possible. He passed out in front of the God of War. That's considered an offensive act. The King of War, Kirin, is very displeased with him. I believe that Will Ramos' career is ruined from today onwards." The soldier answered honestly.

"He disrespected the God of War. That's a gutsy move!" The other soldier added sarcastically.

Pamela and Bailey were unsettled by the soldier's elaboration. Did he offend the God of War? Even the Rogers family and the Black family do not have the courage to do that.

No one had the interest to continue with the meal after the soldiers left.

Will regained consciousness after some time.

He was about to pass out again when he saw Levi after he woke up. But Levi quickly ordered, "Don't faint again."

Will finally recomposed himself, but his face was filled with terror and his mind was blank.

"What happened, child?" Pamela asked.

"I... I saw the God of War..." Will stammered.

"But why did you pass out?" Bailey and Pamela were caught in perplexity.

"That's because the God of War is..."

Will looked at Levi in fright as he spoke.

He wanted to inform them of the truth about Levi's identity, but the words stuck in his throat.

The privacy rules of the army surfaced in his mind. I will be exposing classified information protected by the army if I tell them about the God of War's identity.

Everyone gazed at Levi as well. A thought popped into their minds. Perhaps he's trying to tell us that Levi is the God of War? The resemblance between the man seated inside the car and Levi is too uncanny...

They waited for Will to complete his sentence anxiously.

Finally, Will uttered, "The God of War is my idol. My body is weak, so I fainted when I saw him. I am a huge embarrassment to everyone."

"Oh, I see. You almost scared me there. I thought you're trying to tell us that Levi is the God of War." Pamela breathed a sigh of relief.

"That's fine. Take a good rest to recover your health. You don't have to participate in the training camp anymore." Pamela consoled him.

Bailey eyed Levi and asked the question in his mind, "Did you see him at the training base today, Will?"

"Yes!" Will gave Levi a look with complicated emotions in his eyes.

"What? So you really went?" Pamela and the others were in disbelief.

"Mr. Black, Mdm. Rogers, please take me away for now. I would like to rest."

## **Chapter 116.**

Will did not have the courage to stay a second longer in the same room as Levi.

"We're not finishing the meal anymore. We'll be leaving now," Pamela said.

Aaron and Caitlyn were worried. "Have you forgiven us then?"

"Yes! I've accepted his apology. By the way, you are allowed to attend Mother's birthday banquet this year. She has accepted your return to the family," Bailey Black answered.

Caitlyn was delighted after she was informed of the news. I can finally attend Mother's birthday banquet since I left my home 20 years ago.

"We will be there!" Aaron said emotionally. We can hold our heads high by the time we attend the banquet because Zoey's project is progressing well.

Caitlyn glanced at Levi happily after Pamela and her family left. "Alright. We will forgive you this time."

Aaron pleaded with his wife sincerely, "Will you allow me to hang out with my friends tonight, Caitlyn?"

"Fine. Off you go. Take this bank card with you. I'm warning you now. Do not gamble tonight!" Caitlyn handed a credit card to Aaron.

Levi knew Aaron was a gambling addict since a long time ago. He lost a lot of money in the past. I even had to clear his debt previously. Caitlyn forbids him from taking part in those entertainments afterwards. He's not allowed to drink with friends too. I suppose she's making an exception today because her return has been accepted by the Black family today.

"Alright! I've quit gambling for a long time now!" Aaron was elated like a child.

Levi was amused by his behavior. He's a typical henpecked man.

The four of them parted ways afterward.

Aaron went to meet up with his friends.

They were tipsy after gulping a few bottles of wine down.

Alex Glen placed his arm around Aaron's shoulder. "I heard there's a new underground casino in North Hampton. Why don't we try out our luck there?"

Aaron shook his head. "No way! I made a promise to my wife not to gamble anymore."

"Don't worry. We are just going to play a few rounds to try out our luck. You won't lose any money," Alex persuaded him.

"That's right. We did not bring a lot of money with us anyway. We'll play in small amounts, just for fun. What if we get lucky? Do you know Andrew Zafer from the marketplace? I heard he earned 800 thousand from the casino with a mere 3000 starting amount!"

"He's right. We are so jealous of him!"

Aaron's resolution wavered as his friends convinced him. "Fine. I'll go. But I have to say this in advance. I can only fork out 5000."

"Sure, sure..." Aaron and the gang headed toward the underground casino together.

Aaron was especially excited when they arrived at the venue.

A man, dressed lavishly with a glass of red wine in his hand, was seated on the second floor of the casino while he gazed at the crazed gamblers beneath him. He asked with a smile, "Aaron Lopez is here?"

"Yes, Mr. Rogers."

The men engaged in that conversation were none other than Oswald Rogers and Howard Corbyn.

Oswald sneered while looking at Aaron. "I've been thinking of ways to target all of you, but here you are, offering to step into my trap on your own accord."

Howard sought out Oswald's opinion. "How should we proceed, Mr. Rogers?"

"He's going to lose! We'll make him lose everything. Even the Lopez family will not be able to cover his debt. I am going to force Levi to his death with this staggering amount of money!" Oswald grinned like a madman.

Howard nodded. "I'll make the necessary arrangements, Mr. Rogers. I will make sure to let Aaron Lopez learn his lesson well this time."

### **Chapter 117.**

Aaron was oblivious to the incoming danger that awaited him. He was enjoying himself to his heart's content at that moment.

He had won for a few consecutive rounds and earned roughly 100 thousand. On his 10th straight win, Aaron's earnings accumulated to a few million.

Alex and the others persuaded Aaron to continue with his gambling. "You're too lucky today, Aaron! Go on! Let's go big! 10 million is easily achievable with your insane luck tonight!"

A gambling addict caught up in his moment of glory often lost his ability to think rationally. Aaron was confident he could bring home 10 million by the time he was done gambling that night.

Zoey and Levi were startled awake by the ringing from their phones in the middle of the night.

Caitlyn had dialed their numbers relentlessly.

Zoey was wide awake the moment she answered the call. "What? Oh my God!"

Her face went paper-white as the phone slipped out of her hand and fell onto the floor with a thud.



Levi asked immediately, "What's wrong?"

Zoey sobbed. "Father went to the casino and lost 300 million. He's being detained right now because he was caught cheating."

"What? 300 million? How did he lose so much money?" Levi frowned. Something's wrong. Someone must have set a trap for Aaron.

"Where is he?" Levi added.

"I don't know. Let's meet up with Mom for now."

Caitlyn was already tear-stricken by the time Levi and Zoey arrived.

Levi floored the accelerator toward the underground casino after Caitlyn informed them of the location.

The atmosphere inside the casino was unbearable. Deafening noises and cigarette smoke lingered in the air.

A few muscular men came in front of Levi, Zoey, and Caitlyn. "Who are you people?" They inquired fiercely.

Levi stated the aim of their visit directly. "We are here to look for Aaron Lopez."

"Oh. You are that cheater's family. Follow me." They led Levi and the others to the second floor.

Levi sounded the situation out in the meantime. "What happened here, actually?"

"Aaron Lopez cheated after he started to lose money. Then we caught him red-handed. How dare he cheats after losing 300 million to the casino? We need to follow the rules here and chop off his fingers!" One of the men sneered.

Zoey and Caitlyn were frightened as their faces turned to the shade of chalk.

More than 10 men stood menacingly inside a large private room on the second floor with batons in their hands.

Levi, Zoey, and Caitlyn caught the distinctive smell of blood the moment they entered the room.

A person was lying on the floor in a curled position. His body twitched faintly in a pool of blood.

"Dad! Aaron!" Zoey and Caitlyn rushed forward when they recognized the person to be Aaron Lopez.

Levi grimaced when he saw how terribly beaten Aaron was.

“Save me! Save me, please!” Aaron yelled fearfully when he saw his family.

The few thugs surrounded Levi and the others instantaneously.

A scary-looking man sat on the sofa with a gold necklace around his neck, dressed in a leopard-printed shirt.

He tossed a cigarette butt on the floor and crushed it with his foot. Then he looked up. “Are you Aaron Lopez’s family members?”

“Yes. That’s right. He’s my father-in-law.” Levi met that man’s eyes.

“Let me introduce myself. I am the owner of this casino. My name is Enzo Fielder. Everyone refers to me as Mr. Enzo.”

Enzo pointed at Aaron. “Your father-in-law lost 300 million to the casino and tried to trick us. According to the rules of this casino, he will have to settle the 300 million debt and let us chop off all 10 of his fingers to settle the score. Otherwise, he’s going to die here! Hehe!” Enzo threatened Levi and the others.

Zoey and Caitlyn were trembling in a terror-stricken manner.

Aaron cowered in Caitlyn’s arms as his body quaked uncontrollably.

## **Chapter 118.**

Levi sized up his surroundings and said mockingly, “Why do I feel that this casino is not a place of such high standards that someone could lose 300 million in a night?”

“Hmph! That’s because your father-in-law took a great risk. He thought he could win 100 million after earning 10 million. So who is to blame for his greediness? More importantly, no one can condone his cheating behavior in this place.” Enzo waved his hand. Alex and the others were dragged forward swiftly.

“Tell them whether I’m speaking of the truth or not!” Enzo ordered.

Alex and his friends answered immediately. “Yes. That is the truth. We told Aaron to stop after he won 10 million. But he wanted to continue gambling to win more money. So he brought this on himself for losing ultimately. We did not expect him to cheat afterwards! Why do we have a friend like you, Aaron?”

Aaron looked at his friends incredulously in a daze. "All of you framed me! You set a trap to frame me!" Aaron roared.

Alex glowered at him. "Did we force you to do anything? You made all the decisions on your own accord!"

Aaron fell silent. True, no one forced me to do anything. I did everything willingly. I can only blame my own greediness.

Zoey understood that it was a set-up, so she whispered to Levi, "Should we call the cops?"

"No. Calling the cops will only worsen the situation. They might resort to desperate measures if we do that," Levi answered.

Unfortunately, Enzo overheard their conversation. He sneered. "Call the cops? Sure, go ahead and do that. He borrowed the money from others, so we have written proof as well as the various documents he mortgaged to us. We carried out every procedure according to the law. Please feel free to contact the cops. The court will confiscate the Lopez family's business and properties by that time!"

Everyone looked at Aaron in bewilderment.

Aaron nodded. I did mortgage the family house and business. I deliberately went to the Lopez family house to steal the documents after I lost all my money. I wanted to get the money to turn the tables around. But I lost everything instead and even incurred a 300 million debt on myself.

"Please don't tell my father about this. He will kill me if he knows what I've done!" Aaron said hurriedly.

Enzo jeered at Levi and the others. "Do you want to call the cops? It's up to you to make the decision!"

Zoey was clueless as to how she should react to the unexpected turn of events.

Levi grimaced. They clearly planned every move to target us.

"Have you made up your mind?" Enzo asked.

"We will not call the cops, and we'll return the money. But we do not have 300 million with us right now. Can you give us a few days to collect the sum?" Zoey proposed.

“Sure. No problem!” Enzo added mockingly. “I am not worried at all. If all of you disappear, then I will look for Harry Lopez instead.”

“But can you please don’t chop off my father’s fingers?” Zoey pleaded for mercy.

“I’ll do you a favor. You can bring him away now. But for every extra day you fail to return the money, I will chop off one of his fingers...” Enzo smiled sinisterly.

“Alright. We agree.” Levi brought Aaron and his family away from the casino in the end.

Caitlyn was on the verge of tears when they reached the entrance. “What should we do? Where can we find 300 million at a moment’s notice?”

“We have no other choice but to say that we’ll return the money. This is the best we can do to delay the situation from turning south immediately,” Zoey lamented.

Aaron rebuked Levi when he saw the smiling expression on the latter’s face. “Why are you smiling? Why don’t you come up with a solution instead, you useless piece of shit! I could’ve settled this issue effortlessly if my son-in-law is a capable person. Regretfully, you are a good-for-nothing piece of crap! You are to blame for everything that has happened today!”

## **Chapter 119.**

Levi was stunned after listening to Aaron. He looked at his father-in-law in disbelief. Is he blaming me for his own wrongdoings?

Zoey was slightly upset. “What are you saying, Dad? You caused this mess yourself. Levi has got nothing to do with this matter.”

“Don’t give me that nonsense! He could’ve paid for the 300 million debt easily if he’s as successful as before. But he doesn’t even have a single dime with him now!” Aaron stared at Levi hatefully. “Aren’t you capable? You said you’re acquainted with the God of War, right? Can you handle this mess now? You must divorce Zoey if you fail to take care of this matter. I am a man of my word!”

Aaron vented all his pent-up anger at Levi after the horrible experience he underwent.

Caitlyn glared at him. “What are you talking about? That’s not important. The most important thing is to find a way to collect 300 million as soon as possible. Let’s go home now!”

Enzo dialed a number after Levi and the others left. “I’ve executed your orders, Mr. Rogers.”

“Okay. You can pay Harry Lopez a visit directly after a few hours.” The person on the other end of the phone replied.

Aaron suggested when they arrived home, “Honey, only your brother, Bailey, can help us now. Let’s borrow money from them while they are still in the city!”

“You are only going to infuriate them for knocking on their doors in the middle of the night. We’ll wait until tomorrow before we do anything!” Caitlyn glowered at her husband.

Zoey asked her father with a grim expression, “What happened exactly, Dad?”

Aaron described everything in detail from the beginning. He had won multiple rounds consecutively and accumulated winnings up to 10 million initially. But when he seized the opportunity to gamble further, he began to lose...

“I realize now that I’ve been tricked. Alex and his friends are a group of bastards!” Aaron snarled.

Zoey nodded. “That was indeed a trap.”

“We have two ways of resolving this issue now. The first way is to return the money. The second method is to investigate this matter and find out the person who set you up. Personally, I think the second method is a wiser choice. We should investigate deeper before we pay them.” Levi offered his idea.

Aaron stared at him fiercely. “Are you suggesting that on purpose? Did you not listen to what they said? Now you’re telling me to wait and spend time to carry out an investigation? By the time we find out anything, I’ll be left fingerless and even toeless!”

“Alright, let’s not argue anymore. We’ll go to my brother’s place to borrow money from them come morning.” Caitlyn was displeased.

Levi left the house quietly afterward.

Zoey wanted to think of an alternative solution, so she left as well.

The next morning, everyone in the Lopez family was still sound asleep when someone busted the door open with a loud bang.

A group of burly men covered in tattoos rushed into the house in an imposing manner.

They went straight to the Lopez family’s living room.

Harry and the others hurriedly checked out the situation as they were startled by the commotion. All of them were frightened by the unwelcoming sight.

“What are you doing? You’re trespassing on private property, so don’t you dare do anything to us!” Harry bellowed in rage.

Enzo threw Aaron’s IOU at Harry without saying a word.

Harry and the others were shocked after reading the note. “What? Aaron owes you 300 million? He even mortgaged the Lopez family’s properties and business?”

Harry’s vision went black as he nearly fainted.

Enzo said with a smile, “That’s right. All the Lopez family’s possessions are mortgaged to me now, including this house. Aaron Lopez even brought me all the necessary documents, so we are simply following the legal procedures here.”

## **Chapter 120.**

Harry hurriedly went to look for the mortgage documents, but he soon realized all the documents were stolen.

“I was wondering to myself why Aaron sneaked into the house last night. So he came here to steal the documents!” Henry said angrily.

“You better pay me 300 million as soon as possible, now that I own all your properties and business. I will have the court to confiscate these possessions if you do not cough up the money!” Enzo urged the Lopez family in a joyful manner.

Harry Lopez did not say a word. I had not distributed the Lopez family’s inheritance previously. So Aaron’s IOU is legally binding because of his status as my descendant.

“You son of a b\*tch, Aaron Lopez!” Harry was seething with rage.

“You have one day to return the money to me. Otherwise, I’m sure you know what consequences await you.” Enzo left after he spoke.

All hell broke loose in the Lopez family.

“Let’s go to Aaron’s place right away!”

Aaron and Caitlyn were about to depart from their house at sunrise.

Bang, bang, bang...

Someone banged on their door impatiently.

A group of people rushed into the house with Harry leading the way after Aaron unlocked the door. He slapped his son across the face without a second thought. "What a dumb son I have! What have you done?" Then Harry slapped Aaron a few more times.

"You... You already know, Father?" Aaron asked timidly while covering his face.

"A bunch of people came to stir up a ruckus at the family house early in the morning. What do you think?" Harry panted heavily.

Fabian said with a grimace, "You better start talking."

Henry sneered. "I heard you lost the money because you gambled again? You are just like your son-in-law, always failing to correct your bad habits!"

Harry fixated his eyes on Aaron. "I'll chop off your ears if you do not explain everything clearly today!"

Aaron glanced at Caitlyn before he began. "This is all Levi Garrison's fault!"

"What? How is this matter related to him?" Harry asked in surprise.

Aaron nodded. "Levi lost the money because he went to the casino. I had no other choice but to steal the documents because they wanted to kill Levi on the spot!"

He knew his family would beat him up if he informed them of the truth while their anger was at the boiling point. So he placed all the blame on Levi instead.

They did not trust Aaron's words at that moment, so everyone turned to look at Caitlyn.

Caitlyn said through her gritted teeth, "That's right. It's all because of Levi Garrison. Aaron has already quit gambling for 6 years now. Levi has been gambling because he wants to become rich. Do you still remember the money we paid back previously, Father?"

Harry nodded. "Of course. Don't tell me that Levi earned that 5 million through gambling?"

Caitlyn nodded. "That's right. He did not borrow the money but got it through gambling. This time, he lost 300 million."

Henry questioned her, "But I verified this myself. He really did borrow the money."

Caitlyn responded with a question on her own, "Do you think he can borrow that large amount of money without anything to mortgage, Henry?"

Henry understood instantaneously. “Now I get it. The bank loaned him the money because he has the capability to return the money through gambling!”

Caitlyn’s speech convinced every member of the Lopez family.

Aaron gave his wife a thumbs-up internally. She’s brilliant! We’ve successfully placed all the blame on Levi with that perfect excuse.

Aaron seized the moment and said, “Don’t you see why Levi is not here? That’s because he fled in advance!”

Harry was infuriated to his limits. “I’m going to kill you, Levi Garrison!”

“Let’s go and find Levi now!” Everyone left angrily.

### **Chapter 121.**

Aaron drew in a deep breath after the Lopez family had left—they were safe for now.

“Whew—honey, you sure are smart!”

Aaron didn’t forget to give Caitlyn a word of compliment.

“Hurry up and go look for my brother and Pamela! Or you’ll be the one to lose a finger!” Caitlyn said as she rolled her eyes at him.

The two immediately rushed to the Marriott Hotel.

“Is there something you want for you to see us at this hour?” Pamela asked.

“Bailey, Pamela, I’ll cut to the chase then! We want to borrow three hundred million from you! We’re in need of money for our business!”

“Don’t worry about us not paying you back. You guys should know about Zoey’s project. It’s a project worth more than a billion. Three hundred million will definitely not be a problem!”

Aaron and Caitlyn went straight to the question of money.

Pamela and Bailey exchanged glances.



“We need to discuss this first!”

After half an hour, the two agreed to lend them three hundred million— mainly because Zoey’s project was guaranteed to succeed.

“That’s great!” Aaron was exhilarated.

However, at this moment, Pamela’s phone rang.

It was Oswald.

Pamela answered the call. “Oswald, what’s the matter?”

“Aunt Pamela, I have something to tell you...”

Pamela gave Aaron and Caitlyn a puzzled look. Her expression took on a drastic change the more she listened to Oswald.

“Okay, I got it. I won’t lend it then!”

After hanging up the phone, Pamela snapped, “You people were lying? Do you really need money for your business? Aaron, you’ve lost three hundred million from gambling, didn’t you?!”

“Get lost, now!” Bailey’s fury sprang to life when he learned about the truth. “Come see us again only after you settled your debt!”

Then the couple kicked Aaron and Caitlyn out, leaving them stupefied.

Why did they change their mind after answering one phone call?

“What do we do now?”

Aaron sweated with anxiety.

On the other side, Zoey was trying to find a solution as well, but the most she could come up with was fifty million.

She was at her wits’ end, as they had already invested the rest of the money in the project.

Besides, the project would have to be suspended as well if she took that fifty million away.

It was to check on this matter that Levi had left early this morning.

However, the strange thing was that the other party clearly didn’t cheat. It was Aaron who lost the money after gambling with an expert.

It was clearly a deception, yet it was seamless.

There must be something fishy. I can definitely find out the truth if I call the cops, but Aaron will have to be imprisoned, and Zoey will be heartbroken if that happens.

Levi didn't want that to see that. He could have easily paid up that three hundred million, but he wanted to find out the mastermind behind this scheme first.

Everyone had thought of every possible way, but they just couldn't get the money together.

Dread gnawed at Aaron's insides at the thought of having his fingers chopped off tomorrow.

"Honey, what should I do? Think of something! I don't want to have my fingers chopped off!" Aaron shouted anxiously.

Caitlyn creased her brows. "I heard Zoey will contact major investors next to borrow money, but I'm afraid it'll take a little longer. Probably a few days."

"Few days? I don't have a few days! My fingers will be chopped off in a few days, that's for sure!"

Aaron got all sweaty.

"So find someone to replace you during these few days."

There was a bright light in Aaron's eyes. "You mean I should put Levi on the spot and have his fingers chopped off on my behalf?"

"Who else do you think if not Levi? You've thrown the blame on him, anyway!"

Caitlyn gave him an angry stare.

Aaron nodded in approval. "That's right! He's just a good-for-nothing. What's the big deal with having his fingers chopped off? He has to rely on us to feed him, anyway! That's going to be the biggest contribution he's ever made for the family!"

## **Chapter 122.**

Caitlyn sighed. "But the problem is Zoey. If she finds out, she definitely will not agree to this."

"We'll just hide from her then and tell her that the casino is giving us a few more days. We'll trick Levi to come over and have him go in my stead," Aaron said.

"Then we'll have to call Dad and the others over to impose a little pressure on him. They've been looking for him all day, but to no avail," Caitlyn said.

Aaron quickly made the arrangements.

After learning the news of the postponement for a few days, Zoey was much more relieved, but she didn't stop looking for solutions.

When Harry heard that Levi had been found, he immediately rushed over.

Thereafter, Aaron gave Enzo a call, asking if he could let Levi take his place.

To his surprise, Enzo agreed at once.

After hanging up, Enzo called Oswald.

"Mr. Rogers, you were right. The Lopez family is using Levi as a substitute."

"Okay. Let's make it a slow and terrible ordeal for Levi. Send me the footage of his fingers chopped off tomorrow!"

Oswald's cold and crazed voice sounded from over the phone.

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Levi's investigation was beginning to take shape when Aaron called.

"Levi, come quick! Things have changed! Come straight to the casino!"

Hanging up the phone, Levi made a beeline for the casino. He realized Harry and the others were there when he arrived.

Upon seeing him, they charged forward, pushing and shoving him.

"What the hell? Did you lose three hundred thousand in gambling? You've f\*\*king ruined the Lopez family!"

"You're going to destroy the Lopez family! I'm going to kill you!"

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Utterly confused, Levi stared at the crowd incredulously.

Me, gambling?

It dawned on him that Aaron and Caitlyn had put the blame on him when he noticed their unnatural demeanor from afar.

Thus, it was inevitable that Harry and the others would vent their anger on him as they didn't know the truth.

Aaron seized the chance to come forward, scolding, "Take responsibility for what you've done, Levi!"

"Yeah! Take care of it yourself!"

The mass put in their two pennyworth.

Aaron pulled Levi to a side and said sternly, "You will go to meet Mr. Enzo on my behalf later! Or I'll get Zoey to divorce you if you refuse! I have your marriage certificate and household registration in my hands, so I mean what I say!"

"You'll be our best son-in-law if you go in Aaron's stead!" Caitlyn added. "We won't cast you aside even if you've lost all your fingers. Zoey and we will support you for the rest of your life!"

"Yeah, hurry up and agree! It doesn't matter if you lose a finger anyway," Aaron said in a low voice.

Disappointment!

What a disappointment!

Levi could only feel the indifference and coldness of humanity.

How could they do this to me when the chips are down?!

If it weren't for Zoey, he wouldn't have wanted to stay in this home.

However, Aaron and Caitlyn had no other choice.

"What are you people hesitating for? Send him out and let him take care of everything!" Harry urged.

At this moment, Enzo came with his men, surrounding Levi and the others.

"He'll go!"

Before Levi could react, he was pushed out by Aaron and Caitlyn.

"Levi Garrison, right? Take him away!" said Enzo with a sneer.

With that, Levi was taken away by Enzo's followers.

Aaron and Caitlyn heaved a sigh of relief.

"Let's go now before we get dragged into this!"

Aaron and Caitlyn departed instantly, afraid that Enzo would go back on his words.

### **Chapter 123.**

"I'm wondering if we can push everything on Levi," said Aaron with a frown after leaving the underground casino.

Caitlyn's expression changed slightly. "You mean to transfer the three hundred million debt to Levi and then get him to divorce Zoey and cut off all ties with him?"

"Yeah! That would be killing two birds with one stone; we don't have to pay the money back and we can send away that odious brat."

"Drop it, you. You're the one who lost the money, and you signed the agreement. How are you going to do that?"

Aaron sighed, his heart sinking. "I need to think of a way."

In the casino, Levi was brought into a small and dark room.

Enzo sat in front of him, surrounded by sturdy men.

"Your father-in-law has pushed you out to have your fingers chopped off on behalf of him, Levi Garrison," said Enzo with a bloodthirsty smile. "Are you ready?"

Enzo picked up a sharp machete that glowed under the lights.

To the side were people holding cameras in their hands, ready to film.

It was an assignment from Oswald to film the process of Levi having his fingers chopped off.

"Hold it right there!" said Levi suddenly.

Enzo grinned, revealing his rows of gold teeth. "Why? Are you afraid? Haha..."

Levi said nothing and silently lit a cigarette.

Cough...

The next second, everyone was choking and coughing violently.

"What on earth does that cigarette contain?" Enzo asked, inspecting the cigarette. "The smoke is so strong!"

"I think it's a special cigarette from the war zone, Mr. Enzo," said a thug uncertainly. "My childhood friend who's a soldier gave me one before. The tobacco scent is really strong."

Everyone's expression changed at the mention of the special cigarette.

Enzo snorted. "Drop it, you guys. You think a crook who just came out of prison can smoke a cigarette like that?"

Levi took a puff of his cigarette and said calmly, "Tell me who instructed you to do this before I finish smoking this cigarette or you'll be sorry for this."

Enzo and his men burst into laughter.

Levi's going to get his fingers chopped off. Why is he even threatening me?

Everyone looked at Levi as if he was a fool.

Who exactly is having it worse?

Enzo guffawed. "Is this kid crazy? Don't worry. It won't hurt. It's just one cut!"

"There's not much time left," said Levi, looking at the cigarette that was about to burn out. "You'll be really, really sorry for this if you choose to remain silent."

Enzo and his men snickered. "Okay then, show us what you got. We'd like to see what you are going to do to us after smoking that cigarette."

Everyone watched as Levi finished smoking the cigarette, threw it to the ground, and stomped it out.

He lifted his head and glanced at Enzo and his men. "You'll soon regret this!"

"Regret, my foot! Not before I chop off your hand!"

Shook with fury, Enzo lifted the knife in his hand suddenly.

Bang!

The door suddenly collapsed with a deafening crash, causing Enzo to stop in fright.

In the next second, sturdy men with different skin colors but uniformly dressed in suits rushed in from the outside.

With an average height of over six feet two, they stood there like mountains.

These people were none other than James and other mercenaries that Rick had hired.

They were currently hiding in the shadows, serving as Levi's bodyguards.

It was through the signal Levi had left that they found this place.

"Attack!" James commanded, and with a loud howl, the mercenaries pounced on their prey like tigers dashing down a mountain.

## **Chapter 124.**

Bang!

Crackle!

"Ugh..."

Despite being at the top of their class, the thugs at the casino were not at the same level as the mercenaries who had been in and out of the battlefield all year round.

They were all knocked down in less than a minute, unable to deal with James and his mercenaries' mortal blows.

While the thugs bathed in blood, their faces disfigured, Enzo was the last man standing.

"Beat him!" Levi ordered expressionlessly.

James grabbed Enzo's face and punched him hard. After seven to eight consecutive blows, Enzo's face sank in and was beyond recognition.

The shrill cries like those of a pig being slaughtered reverberated in the small and dark room.

They'd never expected Levi to have so many bodyguards with extremely high combat effectiveness following him.

"Well, what did I say?" Levi scoffed, looking condescendingly at the battered thugs.

"Now, spit it out!"

After being forced to take Aaron's place, Levi figured out that instead of investigating, he might as well use violence to make these people speak.

"I can't," Enzo said in fear. "I'll be as good as dead."

"Beat him! Beat him until he speaks up!" Levi said coldly.

James and the others were militant and enjoyed crushing their enemies. At his command, they grew more violent, giving Enzo the most terrible beating.

Until everyone was beaten half dead, Enzo raised his arms to surrender. "I'll speak! I'll tell you everything!"

James yanked him toward Levi.

"I-It was Howard Corbyn of Levi Group! We were forced into this!" Enzo confessed, but not daring to mention Oswald's name.

However, Levi knew at once that it was Oswald.

He glanced at the camera on the table and chuckled. "It was he who asked you to film the chopping of my fingers?"

"Yes!"

Enzo nodded.

Levi gave James a look. He immediately understood as he pinned Enzo to the table and put his hand on it, slowly lifting the sharp knife.

Next to him, another mercenary took the camera.

"No! No!"

Sensing the situation, Enzo yelled at the top of his lungs.

"AAAAARRRGH!"

Then he let out a terrible scream.



Thereafter, Levi asked Enzo to send out the video, which Howard showed to Oswald upon receiving it.

“Hahaha... Did you hear his scream? I can't believe a human is capable of making that sound!”

Oswald had a good laugh.

“Howard, send this video anonymously to everyone in the Lopez family, including Zoey,” he instructed.

Very soon, everyone in the Lopez family received the video.

Seeing that the person in the video had his fingers chopped off brutally, Aaron felt a flash of terror, his expression turning for the worse.

“Damn! That was too scary! Thank God that wasn't me!”

“They really mean it!” Caitlyn got the scare of her life, and so did Harry and the others.

Zoey, who was still on the hunt for a solution, almost threw her phone to the ground after looking at the footage that she had received suddenly.

“Dad's fingers were chopped off? Was he trying to comfort me when he said that it was postponed for a few days?”

Zoey quickly made a call. “Dad, what happened to you? Are you okay?”

“I'm fine,” Aaron said.

“Then who was it who had his fingers chopped off?” Zoey asked in confusion.

“I-It was Levi...” Aaron faltered.

“What? Levi? How could it be?”

## **Chapter 125.**

“Why is it Levi?” Zoey sobbed after learning the truth.

Caitlyn snatched the phone over and said, “Sweetie, we had no choice! It was Levi who volunteered to take your Dad's place!”

“How could you do that? You didn't even tell me! Wait there, I'm coming home now!” Zoey cried.

Shortly after, Zoey arrived home.

“Sweetie, Levi told us not to tell you!”

“It doesn’t matter if he loses a few fingers anyway, but I can’t lose any,” Aaron said.

A sob caught in Zoey’s throat.

“Sweetie, you’ll have to return the money as soon as possible. That way we can buy Levi a few more days,” Caitlyn said.

“But that just means he’ll lose a finger with every passing day!” Zoey screamed. “How could you bear to do it?”

“It’s not like we have a choice. You can’t just watch your dad suffer, can you? He’s still young so he can take it!” Caitlyn comforted.

“Did you force him to go?” Zoey asked, staring at them.

“He did it of his own free will. We didn’t force him!” Aaron denied.

Caitlyn exchanged a look with Aaron and blurted out, “Sweetie, once we settle this debt, you should get a divorce with Levi!”

Zoey looked incredulous. “What? Divorce? Dad, Levi suffered in your stead! How could you just give him the brush after using him? Are we such heartless people?”

“Sweetie, Levi’s sacrifice won’t go unnoticed,” Aaron and Caitlyn said hastily.

“We’re not ungrateful people. We’ll compensate him with enough money once this is over!”

“You...”

I’m so disappointed in them today...

“But you must divorce Levi! He has never been good enough for you in the first place, and now that his fingers are gone, he’s not worthy of you! I can never tolerate my daughter marrying a cripple with incomplete fingers!” said Aaron adamantly.

Zoey was bemused.

How can they be so cruel to Levi just to save themselves?

“Zoey, you can’t cry over spilt milk now. Just hurry up and pay off the debt if you want Levi to suffer a little less,” Caitlyn said.

Just then, Harry arrived.

“Our turning point is here!”

Harry couldn’t contain his excitement.

“What do you mean, Dad?” Aaron asked quizzically.

“Someone has just come to inform us that there is a person willing to help us pay back the money, but on one condition—Zoey must remarry!” Harry said.

“Really?”

Harry raised the three hundred million check in his hand. “They brought the check! Now the question is—Zoey, will you remarry or not?”

Zoey was momentarily lost, but she knew that three hundred million was too big an amount to get at this moment.

“What are you hesitating for? Go on, say yes!” Aaron urged. Right now, money was gold.

“Just say yes. If you agree now, Levi won’t have to suffer so much,” Caitlyn said, causing Zoey to shudder as the cruel image from the video flashed in her mind.

For Levi!

“Okay, I agree to remarry!” said Zoey.

The adults were instantly relieved.

Harry took out a keycard and handed it to Zoey. “If you agree, go look for him at Sheraton Hotel! We only have the right to use the check once you arrive at the hotel!”

## **Chapter 126.**

“Who is this person, Grandpa?” Zoey asked.

“I don’t know. But we were informed that he’s someone who has pursued you before. As long as you marry him, he’ll pay the three hundred million for us and he promises that the Lopez family will be worry-free for life,” Harry said.

Aaron and Caitlyn looked at each other, their eyes brimming with joy at the blessing in disguise and at Zoey’s remarriage to a super-rich man.

“Go on then! Mr. Enzo has changed his mind and is only giving us one day. If you’re late, Levi will lose all his fingers!” Harry prodded.

Hearing that, Zoey accepted the keycard and dashed out.

Naturally, these were all Oswald’s arrangements.

It was he who gave them that three hundred million check. In his opinion, it was equivalent to not spending a single cent as the money would be returned to him after the Lopez family gave the check to Enzo.

Not only could he turn Levi into a cripple and hound him to death, but he could also get Zoey; it was simply the most profitable business.

With an apprehensive heart, Zoey finally arrived at the hotel.

She knew what it signified, but the primary purpose at present was to pay back the money quickly and relieve Levi of his sufferings.

And only by meeting the said person would he solve their problems.

Arriving at the designated presidential suite, Zoey took a deep breath before opening the door.

Standing in front of the French windows in the vast living room was a man whose back Zoey felt was familiar.

When he turned around, Zoey was stunned.

“Oswald, it’s you?” she asked in disbelief.

She had thought it would be someone else. After all, Oswald had never harassed her for the past six years. He would have made his move long ago if he wanted to have her.

“Are you wondering why I haven’t been looking for you for the past six years?” Oswald said, seeing through Zoey’s mind as he adjusted his gold-rimmed spectacles.

Zoey nodded.

“The truth is—I’ve been watching you all this time during these six years—our number one beauty of North Hampton. I wanted to see how long you two can last, but I didn’t expect you to hold on for six years,” Oswald sneered.

“You set up the whole thing about my dad losing money?” Zoey asked, remembering the matter suddenly.

“How could you say that? No one forced him to gamble.” Oswald shrugged.

“You... You’re a scoundrel!” said Zoey angrily.

“Just give up, Zoey! If I could destroy you people six years ago, I can do it again!” Oswald cackled with laughter.

Thunderstruck, Zoey gazed at Oswald incredulously. “You did that six years ago?”

Oswald sniggered. “How do you think the Garrison family could overthrow Levi six years ago?”

Zoey was as angry as hell upon learning that piece of information.

“I’m giving you two options, Zoey. One, strip naked and lie on the bed. Two, leave now, but it will be disastrous for Levi. His fingers and toes will be chopped off, but I can’t say if he’ll choose to jump off the cliff in the end!”

Oswald’s lips curved into a malicious smile at the thought that his goals of forcing Levi to death and having Zoey get into his bed were about to be achieved.

Zoey was utterly floored.

Oswald had planned everything beforehand, and she was left with no choice but to listen to him. Otherwise, Levi would be either crippled or dead.

**Chapter 127.**

Meanwhile, as soon as Zoey arrived at the hotel, Harry received a message: You can use the check now.

Aaron headed to the underground casino with Harry.

As soon as they arrived, they were brought up short by the sight of Levi coming down from the second floor, holding a stack of documents of title deeds and so on in his hands.

Most importantly, Levi's fingers were all completely intact!

He was clean from head to toe, with not a single stain of blood to be seen.

They looked at Levi's fingers.

Perfectly intact!

All ten fingers are still there!

How is it even possible?!

His fingers were clearly chopped off from the video!

As their mouths were still wide agape with incredulity, Levi had already come up to them.

"Where did you get this check?"

Levi took over the check and had a premonition of something bad as he studied it.

"H-How are you okay? Didn't you have your finger chopped off?" Aaron was baffled.

Levi ignored them and suddenly raised his voice, "How in the world did you get this check?"

"Uh..." Aaron hesitated.

"Spit it out!" Levi snarled, exuding a breath of hostility that made the two of them hold their breaths as if they were being strangled at their necks. His gaze was especially terrifying.

Intimidated, Aaron gave him a factual account of the chronology of the incident.

"At Sheraton Hotel on Maxwell Street!" Aaron finished.

“How long has it been?!” Levi asked.

“It’s probably too late!” Aaron lowered his head.

Harry nodded. “Yeah, it’s too late, even if you get there in a sports car!”

Levi threw the pile of documents to the ground, pushed them aside, and dialed Azure Dragon’s number as he walked out.

“I need a chopper! Immediately! Now!”

Levi’s voice was cold to the extreme.

Less than five minutes after he left the casino, a military helicopter came to a halt on the square.

Ignoring the astonishment of those passing by, Levi boarded the helicopter.

A sports car might not make it there on time, but a helicopter could.

“I want the Sheraton Hotel’s blueprint layout!”

A gleam of murderous intent flashed in Levi’s eyes.

In Sheraton Hotel’s presidential suite, Zoey was still confronting Oswald.

“There’s no use stalling for time, Zoey! The more you hesitate, the more Levi will suffer!” Oswald chortled.

Of course, Zoey understood that point, but she couldn’t get past the hurdle in her heart. She even wanted to jump off the building and get it over with.

Oswald stood with his back facing the window, appraising Zoey.

“Relax, I won’t force you! I’ll wait for you to get into my bed whenever you wish!”

The grin on Oswald’s face widened like a devil from hell.

“Do you want me to broadcast it to you now to see how many of Levi’s fingers have been chopped off?”

Oswald was well versed in psychological warfare. He was destroying Zoey’s psychological defense to a great extent.

“You’re a monster!” Zoey shrieked, glaring at Oswald.

“You’re not the first person to call me that! Every woman that I’ve slept with and every man that I’ve killed called me a monster!” Oswald gave a broken smile as he inched closer.

Zoey stared at him in horror, moving back slowly.

“What? Is Levi that cripple really so good? How am I inferior to him?” Oswald asked.

“No! You can never match him!” Zoey shouted.

Oswald took out his phone and sniggered. “Howard, tell Enzo to chop off Levi’s hands and feet for me and send me the video!”

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“Wait!” Zoey shouted in panic when she heard that. “I’ll listen to you only if you don’t make things hard for him! Just don’t touch him!”

“Then come on!”

Oswald opened his arms wide, waiting for Zoey to fall into his arms.

Bang!

Crack!

Then, suddenly, the French windows behind Oswald made a sound like ice breaking and it shattered.

A man rushed in from outside—it was Levi!

Bang!

With a hard kick, he sent Oswald flying out of the way.

Boom!

Oswald slammed into the wall, bleeding all over the place.

He was about to struggle to his feet when Levi grabbed his hair.

Oomph!



Levi gave him a sharp punch to the face, causing Oswald's spectacles to crumble.

Oomph!

Then came the second punch.

Oomph!

At the third punch, Oswald passed out.

"Stop... Stop it!" shouted Zoey, coming back to her senses. "He's going to die!"

Right now, Levi had surely lost all sense of rationality.

He had never been so infuriated before.

Zoey was his bottom line.

And whoever crossed that line was a dead man!

Zoey looked at Levi in fear. She could feel his overwhelming hostility.

This is a thirty-story building!

How did he come in from the outside?

He's the devil of a man!

"Let's go!"

Zoey pulled Levi away, afraid that he would really beat Oswald to death if they stayed there any longer.

After Levi had left with Zoey, several bodyguards entered the room.

The sight of Oswald lying in a pool of blood scared them.

"Who did this?"

"No matter who did this, even God can't save him now!"

"Who the f\*ck in North Hampton has the audacity to lay hands on Mr. Rogers?"

Zoey knew they were in deep trouble.

She was keenly aware of Oswald's identity as the sole heir of the aristocratic Rogers family, not to mention his tens of billions of wealth, his network of connections ramified all over the military, political, and business circles.

He was the true juggernaut of North Hampton!

Compared to the Rogers family, they were as small and insignificant as ants.

She was glad that she had responded quickly. Otherwise, Oswald would have been dead by now and the consequences would have been disastrous.

"Don't mention any of this when we return," Zoey instructed.

When they returned home, everyone looked at Levi incredulously.

"What happened? Did they make things hard for you? What about those title deeds and other stuff?"

Levi took out the IOU and tore it off in front of the mass.

"It's settled. You guys don't have to bother about it anymore," Levi said coldly.

"Huh? How did you do it?"

Aaron and the others were utterly perplexed.

It was only then that Zoey noticed Levi had come through all those perils unscathed. Not only did he not lose a finger, he even got the IOU.

"I called the cops once I got a lead. The underground casino should be toast by now," Levi said.

It wasn't long before the police called.

Not only was the underground casino taken down, but Aaron's matter was also revealed to be a fraud.

All the suspects had been apprehended and the seventy thousand that Aaron lost had been returned to him.

Aaron hugged Levi with much excitement. "Oh Levi, you're the best son-in-law we could ever have! You're a keeper! I can't believe you've settled this!"

Even Harry had to admit that Levi was useful this time.

Caitlyn, too, shed tears of joy.

After all, the Lopez family was almost ruined.

However, Zoey couldn't afford to be happy.

The Rogers family definitely will not let this slide!

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In Zoey's opinion, offending the Rogers family was much more of a crisis than this.

Reckoning that they would probably exterminate the entire Lopez family for this, she told Levi everything as soon as they returned to Bayview Garden.

"Yeah, I know." Levi nodded.

"What should we do next? The Rogers family will soon find out about this!"

Zoey was stressed out to the extreme.

"Don't worry. You still got me." Levi smiled.

Zoey wouldn't have believed it if Levi had said that in the past.

However, the scene of Levi breaking in through the window today was etched in her mind.

It made her feel safe and secure, and she was no longer afraid to take on the world with Levi.

Besides, if the Rogers family were to question them, she felt she could plead with Pamela.

At night, while flipping through different news channels on her phone in bed, Zoey came across a piece of intriguing news that happened on the streets of North Hampton.

There was a military helicopter parked directly on the square with someone boarding it without giving so much of a backward glance.

For some reason, Zoey actually associated the helicopter with Levi.

After all, the figure of the person in the image looked rather similar to him, although it was fuzzy.

Could it be Levi who came to Sheraton Hotel by helicopter and broke in through the window on the thirtieth floor?

There is a possibility!

Otherwise, what other explanation could there be?

I'll have to look for witnesses when there's time to see if it was Levi who boarded that helicopter.

Golden Villa, the top luxury villa in North Hampton, covered an area of over fifty hectares.

It was where the aristocratic Rogers family resided.

That night, the atmosphere at home was somber and dead.

After all, Oswald, the heir of the family, was almost beaten to death and was still unconscious.

The entire Rogers family was infuriated.

At the pitiful sight of his grandson, Glenn exuded an aura of overwhelming force.

Glenn had once fought on the battlefield. Although he had retired from the military, his bold and domineering aura was still palpable.

At the end of his military career, Glenn had served as an instructor.

He had taught many students and some of them could now be found in every major war zone, such as Steven Shaw, the Colonel of North Hampton First Metallic Regiment.

Over the years, Steven had been a great help to the Rogers family.

Besides the Rogers family's own strength, it was the network of connections that Glenn had accumulated in the past, covering the military, political, and business circles, that had enabled the Rogers family to achieve their current level of success.

Therefore, no matter what time of the day it was, his students were always at his beck and calls.

"Who did this?" Glenn demanded.

A gentle-looking middle-aged man stepped forward. He was Anthony, Oswald's father.

"Dad, it was Levi Garrison. This is a sticky business. Oswald was beaten up by him for making indecent moves toward Zoey at the hotel. But the point is, the underground casino has been taken down, and they had ratted out on Oswald."

Anthony's expression was very unsightly.

"Is the underground casino really owned by Oswald?" asked Glenn with a gloomy face.

Anthony nodded. "Yes, it is. Fred Turner from the Criminal Investigation Team just called to confirm. Even the captain, Xavier Fields, knows about this. It's a devil of a tricky problem if we get back at Levi for this!"

"What did Fred say?" Glenn asked.

"They knew about the assault on Oswald, but they advised us to smooth things over and treat it as if it never happened," Anthony said.

"Now is not a good time to meet with a mishap when the Rogers Group's fortieth-anniversary celebration is just around the corner. The impact is just too big," Glenn sighed.

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However, Glenn changed the subject soon after. "But look at my grandson. How can I stomach this?"

"As you said, the celebration is around the corner. Let's get back at Levi once it's over," someone suggested.

"Okay, we'll give him a few days to fool around, then I want him dead, no matter his background or power!" said Glenn distantly.

Then, having thought of something, he instructed, "Inform those students of mine to attend the celebration!"

Everyone felt a rush of excitement when they heard that.

Some of Glenn's students served in the war zones, and others were in politics.

In terms of age, they were about thirty to forty years old and each of them was in the prime of their life. All held influential positions, like Steven Shaw.

It would have been a magnificent sight to see such people come together for the celebration.

In the next few days, what Zoey had been worried about didn't happen and it made her jittery.

Thereafter, she found out through connections that the casino belonged to Oswald, which explained why the Rogers family had left it at that.

"No wonder Levi was so confident. He knew the Rogers family wouldn't dare to make it public," Zoey mused, smiling.

In fact, Levi didn't know about it at all and was still waiting for the Rogers family to take their revenge.

He was shocked when he learned about it from Azure Dragon.

"It is said that the Rogers family will be having their fortieth-anniversary celebration a week later. I supposed they're afraid of the negativity it will bring about if they make a move on you now," Azure Dragon said.

Levi tugged his lips into a smirk. "Fortieth-anniversary celebration? Nice, I'll be there by then to present them with the biggest gift they will ever have!"

The Rogers family must be exterminated!

It wasn't only Oswald who directed the entire conspiracy back then, but the Rogers family was also part of it.

"By the way, Sir, I've found out what you asked me to investigate. The Rogers family only possesses part of Levi Group's core technologies. Other core technologies have disappeared, but there are corresponding products on the market," Azure Dragon said.

Inspired by what happened to Oswald, Levi felt that there were probably other forces who targeted him back then as well other than the Garrison family and the Rogers family.

Levi Group, which was founded by Levi, was mainly involved in the fields of medicine and science and technology.

At that time, he had turned the volume up to eleven and broke into the market, and was reckoned to have taken advantage of many people.

The core technology developed by his team was especially terrifying, as it had elevated Levi's net worth by billions within a year.

Many people had coveted Levi Group's core technology, and even more people wanted him dead.

Hence, Levi had asked Azure Dragon to find out who was possessing the core technology.

Just as he thought, the Rogers family only controlled part of it, and there were others who also took part in plotting his downfall.

“Keep searching according to those online products!” Levi ordered.

Even if the whole North Hampton was turned upside down, revenge was his ultimate goal!

For the past few days, Aaron and Caitlyn had been very nice to Levi.

Perhaps they felt guilty, but for Zoey’s sake, Levi shrugged it off.

When Levi came home at night, Abigail surprisingly showed up at their door.

“Levi, I’ve got great news!” Abigail beamed.

Levi put on a confused expression. “Great news? What? Are you getting married?”

“Pfft! I don’t even have a boyfriend. Who am I supposed to marry? You?” Abigail said, eyeing Zoey with hidden intentions in her words.

“Then what’s the great news? Say it,” Levi said.