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In Love, Never Say Never Chapter 1147

Before he left the house, Ashton had given clear instructions not to let any man into the house. Not only was Marcus allowed into the house, to make matter worse, none of the security bothered to inform him about it. Ashton expected discipline from his men, so he would not tolerate such misconduct.

I was to be blamed for their plight. However, Ashton was raging at that moment, so I would have to wait for another opportune time to plead for them. Marcus' problem was the top priority then.

After giving out his orders to Joseph, Ashton sat up straight, and his expression was grave. He was in a cold, uncompromising mood.

Marcus did not want to make things difficult for me. He took the initiative to move forward, sat on the sofa, and humbly spoke to Ashton.

“Please don't fault Scarlett. I begged her to help me. All these years, I had done too much wrong to Camelia and our child. I can't sit back and do nothing now that they are in danger. Ashton, I gave Scarlett up to you. Could you not return the favor and help find out about my wife and child?”

This was as humble as Marcus could get. Both Ashton and he were men of great ego. They would not be able to let go of their pride completely, even when asking for help.

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He really gave his all for Camelia. They were both my friends, and also due to the indebtedness I felt towards Marcus, I had no excuse not to help.

Seeing Ashton was unmoved, I got anxious. I kept my cool and nudged him gently. "Could you do it for me? GW is eager to work with Fuller Corporation, so they would not reject your request. So long as..."

Before I could finish my plead, Ashton rebuked me with a growl. "So you want Summer and you to end up like Camelia?"

My mind went blank as I looked at Ashton. He was furious, and the veins were bulging on his forehead.

What is he saying? He is aware Camelia and Toby were missing? So he already made up his mind, and all he cares about is our own safety?

This was not the Ashton I knew.

Ashton could probably read my mind. He coldly turned around and told Marcus to leave. "You'd better leave. Scarlett is pregnant, so she shouldn't be moving around too much. I will never allow any danger near her."

"Ash..."

I wanted to plead for Marcus, but Ashton stood up and marched upstairs, leaving me no chance to do so.

Only Marcus and I were left in the hall after Ashton marched out. The place was eerily empty and quiet. Other than the echo of Ashton's footsteps, only our sighs were audible.

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Marcus did not voice any dissatisfaction. He stood there, numbed. After a while, he quietly walked out too. I could only helplessly watch his visibly gaunt back disappear through the door.

I was of no help when the White Corporation got into trouble. When Benjamin and Sharon passed away, I was not by Marcus' side. Now, the only family he had left also went missing, and my dearest had refused to help him so as not to endanger me. I owed Marcus too much. On the other hand, I could not pin any fault on Ashton. He refused to get involved as he was protective of me. He was only doing his best to protect the ones he treasured.

The bedroom door was left ajar. Obviously, Ashton was waiting for me. I could not face him, so I turned and went into the study instead.

As I looked at the pile of notes for the bar examination, I had a wistful thought. Maybe if I were a top lawyer, I could unreservedly march into GW's headquarters and demand to know Camelia and Toby's whereabouts.

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The more desperate I wanted to study, the less I could focus. My mind was wandering off to cloudland. I only snapped out of it when I felt a familiar warm hand on mine. I lifted my head, and my eyes met Ashton's.

"Still upset?" Ashton broke the silence.

I lowered my eyes and shook my head. "No."

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If I had any anger, it was directed at me. For ten years, I lived under the protective wings of these two men. I allowed myself to stagnate and cease to flourish.

“Marcus had approached me for help,” Ashton started sharing. “It was before I went overseas. I already promised him I would help him, on the condition he shall not tell you about it. Yet, he still came and stayed a long time with you. And those securities did not notify me. Imagine how disastrous that would be if anything untoward happened, and those irresponsible securities failed to inform me.”

He began to sound resentful, but he suppressed his emotion in front of me. In the end, everything boiled down to him wanting to protect me.

He had my welfare in mind when he made those decisions, and he kept things hushed to protect me. On the other hand, I wanted to help Marcus as I felt indebted to him. Both men did no wrong.

“I am sorry.” I tried giving him a smile, but could only manage a bitter smile. “I used to feel indebted to Marcus only. Now, I can’t face his family as well.”

I always felt a sense of guilt and regret towards Camelia. Yes, we can put the blame on Camelia for not upholding her own dignity and pride. Nonetheless, we cannot deny the fact that if Marcus had not met me, she would not have transformed from a gorgeous princess to a disheveled housewife.

I gave it all to help a stranger like Yvonne, yet I was not as forthcoming when Camelia needed help. I could not forgive myself for this. Even if Camelia and Toby were to return safely, I wonder if I could still be at ease when I meet them in the future.

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Suddenly, I felt nauseous. I instinctively covered my mouth, brushed Ashton aside, and ran to the nearest restroom. I bent down to the basin and started retching.

I finally stopped retching after some time. I was slumped on the basin and had one hand clenching my tummy. I looked at myself in the mirror, panting.

I went through pregnancy twice, so I was familiar with morning sickness. Deep in my heart, I knew the in-vitro fertilization procedure was a success, but I could not feel the joy.

When my first child passed away, the whole world was against me. Only Marcus was by my side, and he saved me. However, time and again, I stood by and did nothing when he needed support.

I put my hand to my heart and asked myself. Could I really feign ignorance and innocently continue to nurture a business and family with Ashton while watching Marcus go down the hill?

Ashton walked in, and I could see his cool and flawless face in the mirror. I hurriedly lowered my head and released my hand from my tummy.

“Not feeling well?” he asked. He was waiting outside, so he did not see me retching earlier.

“No.” I shook my head and headed towards the bedroom. My mind was still in confusion and dilemma, but my body told me our baby needed rest.

I climbed into bed. “Let’s get the family doctor to come by for a check,” Ashton suggested as he sat by the bed, tenderly tucking me in

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"You decide." I leaned back on the pillow, closed my eyes, and hoped to get some sleep.

A heavy silence fell upon the room. My mind was swirling in darkness. I could feel Ashton's movement. He seemed to want to speak to me but ended up keeping it in. He sat by me for a while before heading out.

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