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Chapter 289 You Matter Most

Gavin turned around and shot him a glare. "They won't!"

Benjamin nodded, feeling relieved that the five kids were getting along well despite their many years of separation.

"I've asked Mr. Pattterson to take handle the court case against Danna. He'll try to get her the heaviest sentence possible."

Gavin's eyes lit up when he heard that.

Mr. Pattterson is amazing! With him working on the case, that woman is bound to get punished!

"Don't think this is enough for me to forgive you, though. You're always going against your word. I know you still care about her!"

Benjamin frowned as he eyed his son from head to toe. This kid sure has severely misunderstood me.

"Would I have forced her into such a situation if I cared about her? A woman's reputation is ruined forever once she goes to prison. That's not a place for normal people, you know?"

Gavin's guard loosened up a little. "But you carried her to safety back then! You were afraid that she would die!"

Benjamin paused. Oh, now I see what this kid is going on about.

"Next time, do not take such matters into your own hands. Let me know if someone bullies you, and I'll make them pay. You're still very young, Gavin. If Danna were to die in this accident, you'll have her blood on your hands for the rest of your life. People might even find ways to threaten you with it in the future. I'm sure your mommy wouldn't want you to do

such a thing either. I saved Danna because her life was at stake. I can't just sit by and watch if someone I know is in danger, but that doesn't mean I have feelings for her."

Benjamin softened his tone as he continued, "It's my fault for not looking after you well enough. I'm sorry I didn't notice the signs of you being abused by her."

I didn't even notice that my son was being abused right under my nose. It's no wonder he doesn't have any confidence in a terrible father like me.

"Look, no one matters more to me than you do."

That was the first time Benjamin had said something so affectionate.

Gavin felt a warm sensation in his heart and asked with a pout, "What about Zachary and the others?"

"They matter too, but you're different!" Benjamin replied while patting him on the head.

As he had raised Gavin himself, it was only natural that he had a stronger bond with him.

Of course, he loved the other four kids just as much, but he also felt a sense of guilt toward them.

Gavin felt a lot better after hearing that, but maintained a frown on his face as he said, "No playing favorites, okay? You must treat my siblings better than me!"

Benjamin didn't know whether to laugh or cry in response to that.

He really loves his siblings, huh? That's good to know.

"You ask me not to play favorites, but you want me to treat them better than you? Isn't that playing favorites too?"

"Hmph!" Gavin snorted.

"Don't worry, I'll be stricter on you than I am with them. You're the big brother, so you need to play the role of a leader. If any one of you does something wrong, I will punish all of you together!" Benjamin told him sternly.

"Don't worry, I won't let you have the chance to do that! I'll be a good big brother!"

Gavin then hopped off his leg and ran outside.

"Keep an eye on your brothers! Don't let them disturb your mommy from resting!" Benjamin called out to him.

"Got it!" Gavin shouted and ran upstairs.

Arissa figured the kids were on their way back when she got off the phone with them.

She had wanted to wait for them to arrive, but ended up falling asleep without even realizing it.

Zachary, Oliver, Jasper, and Jesse made sure to be very quiet when they opened the door.

Noticing that she was fast asleep on the bed, they tried their best to not make a sound as they slowly crept over to the bed.

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Chapter 290 Daddy Never Lies

The four of them then knelt down beside Arissa and stared at her face as she slept.

It had been almost two days since they last saw their mommy, so simply looking at her without saying anything was enough to fill their hearts with joy.

Gavin, who was passing by the room, came over and joined them beside the bed when he saw them.

The four of them exchanged glances with Gavin, who flashed them a smile as he whispered, "Let's all go outside so we don't wake Mommy up, okay?"

As they had all taken a nap earlier in the afternoon, they weren't feeling sleepy at all.

Zachary nodded and motioned for the rest of them to leave the room.

The five of them then crept out of the room, closed the door, and headed toward their bedroom.

"All right, let's unpack our stuff!" Gavin said as he placed his bag down, prompting the other four to start unpacking their stuff as well.

"Gavin, what did Mr. Graham tell you just now?" Jasper asked curiously.

"He explained why he saved Danna," Gavin replied.

Zachary glanced at Gavin. "What did he say?"

Gavin then told them all about his conversation with Benjamin earlier.

Oliver pouted as he found Benjamin's explanation to be rather reasonable.

"But why was he able to rush over there so quickly?"

Gavin pursed his lips. "Danna must've given him a call."

Jasper stroked his chin as he gave it some thought. "That means he still cares about her, then. All that stuff about saving her life because he knows her is probably nonsense. Shouldn't he let someone else do the saving? Why did he have to go charging in all by himself?"

"He has bodyguards with him, so why not let them save her instead? Doesn't he know that people are going to get the wrong idea if he saves her? It's obvious that he still cares about her!"

Zachary didn't like how Benjamin handled the situation.

Gavin tried to defend Benjamin by saying, "Maybe it's just a habit of his."

Zachary shot him a glance as he sat down on the bed. "Gavin, you said they weren't on good terms throughout the past five years. Even if he did like Danna five years ago, those habits of his should have changed by now, right?"

Gavin found that strange too. "But Daddy didn't seem to be lying when he told me he didn't care about Danna."

"How would you know?" Oliver asked with a pout.

Gavin knew they were thinking like that because they didn't spend enough time around him. "Daddy never lies!"

"What about that time he told Grandpa he was out socializing, then? He was clearly at the hospital at the time, and yet he lied to Grandpa!" Jasper snapped back at him with a chuckle.

Gavin fell silent when he heard that.

Jesse continued unpacking her stuff as she said, "Lying is bad!"

"Yeah! See, even Jesse knows it's bad to tell lies!" Jasper said while giving her a kiss on the top of her head.

Jesse smiled happily in response. "If Mommy doesn't like him, then I won't like him either. If Mommy likes him, then I'll learn to forgive him."

Naturally, Oliver couldn't resist the urge to taunt her for saying that.

"Of course you'd say that. You're silly and don't have any principles of your own!"

Being the top fan of her mommy, Jesse was determined to defend her. "Mommy is right in everything she does!"

The four brothers exchanged smiles when they heard that.

"Yeah! Mommy is always right, so we'll all do as she says!"

Being the eldest of the siblings, Gavin agreed with her statement.

Jesse grinned at him like a fangirl who had just met her idol. "You're the best, Gavin!

Zachary, Oliver, and Jasper fell silent and sat down on the side of the room.

"What kind of expression is that?" Gavin asked when he saw the looks on their faces.

"An expression of speechlessness!" Jasper replied with a giggle.

Kingsley came into the room when he saw the five kids packing their stuff.

"Did you kids go see your mommy and daddy yet?"

The kids turned to look at him in unison.