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Chapter 36 I Do Not Have A Daddy

Flustered, Zachary quickly went into hiding in a corner with his siblings. However, Jesse tripped and fell on the way.

They wanted to help her up instinctively, but Ethen's approaching footstep forced them back inside.

Seeing Jesse falling over, Arissa hurried to help her up while dusting off the dirt on her dress.

"Did you get hurt?"

"Nope!" Jesse replied nervously while stealing glances at Ethen.

Did I just ruin Mommy's job, by any chance? What if her boss resents the fact that she has a child and fires her?

Arissa pinched her daughter's little face.

"Hello there, Ms. York!"

"Oh, hello, Mr. Frank! What brings you here?" Arissa got up to her feet and greeted back casually. She acted as she had just seen him coming by.

"We just happened to pass by and see you here. Mr. Graham hopes to have a talk with you."

Jesse batted her eyelashes while staring at Ethen. Phew! Luckily he is not Mommy's boss.

Ethen noticed that the adorable little girl standing beside Arissa had such exquisite features that she looked like a pretty doll.

"Is this your daughter, Ms. York?" asked Ethen with a smile.

"Ah, yes! She's my daughter," Arissa replied. Ethen knows that I have a child. It does not harm to admit it.

"Hello, sir!" Jesse greeted with a smiley face. Her bright eyes and dimples resembled Arissa.

Instantly, Ethen was charmed by the little girl's cuteness.

"Oh, what an adorable girl!" He could not help but reach out to ruffle her hair.

The sight made Arissa break into a smile. She noticed that Benjamin had opened the door and was about to get out of the car.

Thus, she left Jesse to Ethen and went to greet Benjamin.

"Hello, little girl. I'm Ethen. What's your name?" Ethen kneeled and teased Jesse.

"I'm Jesse!" replied Jesse with a broad smile. As she grinned, she revealed the empty space in her mouth that her front teeth used to stay.

The sight was too much cuteness for Ethen to handle. Once again, he patted her head lovingly.

"Jesse, are you living with your Mommy here?"

"Yup!" Jesse nodded with sparkling eyes.

"Is your Daddy here with you too?" Ethen questioned heartlessly. The very next moment, he realized that he had asked an inappropriate question as Arissa was considered a single mom. He started casting guilty looks at Jesse as he knew his mistake.

However, Jesse did not seem to be troubled at his question at all. "I don't have a Daddy."

"I'm sorry. I didn't mean it!" Feeling sorry, he patted her on the head.

Glancing at his guilty look, Jesse fumbled a candy from her pocket.

"This candy is for you, sir!"

Ethen was surprised as he did not expect her to be so kind to him.

"Thank you!"

"You are welcome!" Jesse beamed with her head tilted. "Mister, since you've taken my candy, you must promise me to take care of Mommy in the company and don't let anyone bully her!"

Ethen was nonplussed. How touching that she is concerned about her mother at this young age!

"Don't worry. Nobody will bully your Mommy in the company."

"Thank you, sir!" She grinned.

Meanwhile, Arissa was staring at Benjamin, who was getting out of the car. As he stood straight, he gave out a dignifying aura and stole the crowd's attention at once.

Arissa was so nervous she felt her heart racing as she met his gaze.

There is no need to be afraid of him. He could not have found out that he is the father of my child. Otherwise, he would have confronted me ages ago.

"What a coincidence, Mr. Graham! Are you here for some business?" Arissa approached and stopped a few steps away from him.

She was observing Benjamin's charming features behind her sunglasses.

Benjamin was standing by the car door, wearing a demanding presence.

Sure enough, a born king like him was able to let anyone follow him willingly with merely a glance.

A hint of surprise flashed across his eyes as he saw her attire, which was much more casual compared to the blouse she wore on her interview.

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Chapter 37 What Perfume Is That

Arissa's heart skipped a beat as she felt his gaze scanning her from head to toe.

Benjamin lifted his chin, gesturing for her to get in the car.

Bewildered, she asked, "Is there something wrong, Mr. Graham?"

"We will talk about it in the car," said Benjamin in a deep voice while staring straight at her.

His gaze was so sharp that even the sunglasses she was wearing failed to block his aggressive stare.

Arissa cast a glance at her daughter. Seeing that Ethen was looking after her, she bent down and hopped into the car.

Benjamin furrowed his eyebrows when he saw Ethen playing with a little girl. Nevertheless, he turned around and get into the car after her, not forgetting to close the door behind him.

As he got into the car, Arissa felt the pressure instantly in the air. It was her first time to be this close to Benjamin.

She gulped nervously as his scent enveloped her in the tight area. Her heartbeat was racing wildly which did not help to alleviate her stiffness.

As she stole glances at Benjamin, the latter was pursing his lips with a cold, impassive look. She quickly retracted her gaze.

It's starting to get ambiguous in here.

After preparing herself, she decided to break the silence in the air. "Mr. Graham, is there anything wrong?"

Upon her call, Benjamin turned and stared at her. His gaze was so intense that he could have seen through her.

"Do you live here?"

Uh!

"Ah, yes!" Arissa confessed honestly. There's no point lying to him as he had seen it.

"Your profile does not suggest that you live here."

Arissa took a quick glance at him. She was not sure whether she was exposed. Hence, she decided to take the initiative.

"The address on my profile is the place where I used to live. I haven't planned to move here before I return. Therefore, I used that address when I joined the company. Is this critical to my job, Mr. Graham? I think it's merely a small matter. Please be straight to the point as I have other pressing matters to handle."

The indifferent look Benjamin was wearing gave her chills. She felt stressed staying in the same space with him. He was unlike her four children, who were energetic and lively.

Thinking of her children, she could not help but size him up. She wondered whether she should pluck a bit of his hair and save it for later.

At last, Benjamin said, "Someone hacked into the surveillance camera system of my house. You shall be in charge of installing a new system for me."

Arissa's heart skipped a beat. As she blinked nervously, she was grateful she wore sunglasses that concealed her guilty look.

“Shall I go now?”

“You may go after you finish your work.”

“Sure!” She smiled.

Benjamin offered the opportunity to visit his house just when she was trying to sneak a chance to do so. Naturally, she would not refuse his request.

I’m sure to see his children when I visit his house.

“Good.”

“If so, I’m leaving.” Arissa proceeded to open the car door on her side. However, it would not budge.

“This way.” Seeing her awkward face, Benjamin gestured her to go down on his side. Besides, her side was facing the road. It was dangerous for her to get down from that side.

Arissa had no choice but to get down from his side.

A sweet scent caressed his nose tip as she passed by him. It was such a familiar scent to Benjamin that his eyes flickered at once.

Arissa did not notice his strange behavior and got out of the car smoothly.

She turned and inquired, “Mr. Graham, would you mind sending your home address to my phone?”

Benjamin stared coldly at her in response, which gave Arissa a shock. What’s wrong with his sudden change of attitude?

Instead of replying to her question, Benjamin asked, “What perfume do you wear?”

His query that came out of the blue had rendered Arissa speechless.

What’s the situation now?

Puzzled, she replied, "I'm not wearing any perfume."

Her answer made Benjamin frown. It isn't a perfume? Then, why is there the same flower scent on her that I picked up that night?

"Remember to do your job. Ethen will send you the address shortly." Benjamin pinched his temples. That familiar scent seemed to linger around his nose tip, dazzling him.

What's wrong with me? How can I think of that night...

"Sure!" Arissa closed the door and left.

Benjamin did not shift his gaze away from her as she left, with his eyebrows knitted tightly.

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Chapter 38 Who Is That Little Girl

"So sorry to trouble you, Mr. Frank!" Arissa greeted Ethen with a smile.

"It's nothing. Jesse is so adorable!" Ethen stroked Jesse's head and nodded to Arissa before heading back to the car.

Seeing him leave, Arissa held Jesse in her arms and directed her in the opposing direction.

"Mommy, how is your boss? Is he handsome? Is he a nice person?" Jesse asked curiously.

"I haven't spent enough time with him to know him well. However, he is a handsome guy indeed!"

"Is he an old man?" Jesse blinked her clear eyes naively.

Arisa broke into a smile at her childish question. She shook her head and answered, "Nope. He is just a bit older than me."

Suddenly, she turned in the car's direction. Sensing her gaze, Ethen nodded at her. The latter nodded back too.

Once Ethen got into the car, Benjamin's voice rang behind him, "Who's that little girl?"

"Oh, that's Ms. York's daughter!" Ethen turned around to reply. He realized Benjamin was staring outside with his gaze darkened, pondering to himself.

To be honest, Benjamin was quite surprised that Arissa had a child. Is she married?

Retracting his gaze, he asked, "Isn't she single, according to her profile?"

"Ms. York is single indeed. I did not know that she has a child too until today," Ethen answered innocently.

Benjamin squinted at his reply as resentment clouded on his face.

Why is her information all fake?

"Start the car."

"Okay." Ethen rubbed his nose.

"Send me her phone number."

Ethen took out his phone hastily and read the number out to him.

Finally, he could not help but voice out his curiosity. "Mr. Graham, may I know what you chatted with her just now?"

Benjamin shot him a glare in return.

Ethen did not have the guts to pursue his question. Thus, he sat back in his seat and started the engine.

Benjamin swept one last glance at the entrance, intending to have a better look at the little girl's features, but to no avail.

On the other hand, Arissa was relieved that they had finally left the place.

She called out to her children, "You may come out now, kids!"

Gavin, Zachary and Oliver showed themselves at once.

"Brothers!" Jesse beamed at the sight of them. "Mommy, I did not let that mister notice their presence just now!"

Arissa caressed her head lovingly. "Oh, what a good girl!"

Jesse grinned cheekily at her praise.

"Mommy, are they gone?" Zachary took a quick glance outside.

"Yes, they are gone." Arissa nodded.

"Mommy, why are they looking for you?" Gavin stared at her seriously.

Arissa shook a bit at his question. She recalled Benjamin's weird behavior just now.

"He invited me to his house to install a new surveillance camera system for him."

Just did Benjamin realize who I am? If he did, is he trying to test me by inviting me to his house? What a scary person.

Oliver's eyes lit at once. Just when he was about to voice out, Zachary managed to cover his mouth in the nick of time.

Arissa looked at them strangely. "What are you guys doing?"

"Nothing at all, Mommy!" Zachary smiled falsely. "I'm just playing with Oliver!"

Oliver cast annoyed looks at Zachary as he was about to lose his breath.

In return, Zachary shot him a nasty look, signaling him to shut up.

He only let go of Oliver once the latter nodded in reply.

“Argh! I was almost suffocated to death, Zachary!”

Gavin and Jesse were amused by their siblings.

Arissa smiled at their silly act and straightened their clothes. She then took them out to call a cab. “Alright, we need to go to school now!”

The four children followed her closely, attracting looks from the residents.

Even the security guard lost his thoughts while staring at the five of them, forgetting to give entry permits to the incoming cars. Annoyed horns rang in the air to pull the guard back to his senses.

Arissa looked around and went to school together with them by taxi.

They planned to walk themselves to school at first. However, Benjamin’s sudden arrival had wasted some of their time. Hence, they could only travel to school by car to be on time.

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Chapter 39 Gavin From The Graham Family

Arissa received a message in the car. She took her phone out and realized it was a new number. The message wrote: The Graham residence. The number was not the one Ethen used to contact her. Could this be his other number? She replied: Roger that.

Benjamin, on the other hand, raised his eyebrows at her reply. He stared at the two words longingly. "Head back to Yaleview," he ordered. Glancing at him through the rear-view mirror, Ethen reminded, "Mr. Graham, you have a must-attend meeting at half-past four later!" "Change the date!" Noticing the commanding tone in Benjamin's voice, Ethen realized that there was no point arguing with him anymore.

He frowned and changed their direction at the junction, heading to Yaleview. Meanwhile, Arissa had arrived at the school with the four children. After registering at the entrance, the security guard led their way into the school while casting confused looks at the children. Why do I find them so familiar? Gavin noticed the gaze and shot him a piercing look. That intimidated the guard at once, causing him to shift his gaze away quickly.

"Does he know you?" Zachary asked in a soft voice.

"I am a student of here too."

Zachary gaped in surprise and thought of Jasper instantly. "Is Jasper here too?"

"I don't think so." Gavin swept a look at Zachary. "It's been some time since I last came to school."

His answer left Zachary dumbfounded.

Wow! So Gavin is not a fan of school either!

Oliver craned his neck and overheard their conversation. "You hate going to school too?" His loud voice had invited their glares at once.

"Hmm? Who does not like school?" Arissa heard him and turned around to face them.

The trio reacted quickly by smiling at her. "Mommy, we love school!"

"Mommy, it's so pretty here! I like this school's environment." Oliver grinned.

Arissa laughed and held Jesse's hand.

Sure enough, the environment is beautiful here. After all, this is the best school in Dellmoor.

She had a good look around and was satisfied with the surroundings.

The four kids were looking around curiously too. They were amazed by the breathtaking green scenery of the school.

"Mommy, there are so many flowers around!" The colorful flowers caught Jesse's eye.

Arissa was relieved that her children were fond of the place.

As they arrived at the principal's office, Robert William, the principal, rose and greeted them warmly.

Arissa had informed him about their arrival before.

"Nice to meet you, Mr. William. I'm Arissa York!" Arissa took off her sunglasses and greeted him with a smile.

"Welcome, welcome!"

"I'm sure you have their profile earlier before. Feel free to test them anything if necessary!" Arissa tugged her children to the front of Robert.

"I'd gone through their profile. They are all outstanding students!" Robert smiled back at her and glanced at the four children.

As he saw the three identical faces, not to mention another little girl who looked alike too, he jolted a bit.

"This..."

"Good morning, Mr. William!" Flustered, Gavin voiced out at once. He took a step ahead with his back facing Arissa and quelled Robert with a look, indicating him to refrain from talking too much.

Naturally, Robert was shocked when he saw Gavin mouthing him to shut up.

Arissa noticed Robert's bewildered look. She turned tense at once as she was worried that her children had frightened him.

"Mr. William, is there something wrong with them?"

Robert finally came back to his senses upon Arissa's call. Seeing Gavin's nervous look, he was confused and astounded at the same time.

I remember this little boy from the Graham family. After all, he gave me a deep impression as Mr. Graham took him here by person last time. Besides, there was no mistaking as he resembled Mr. Graham so much.

"Mr. William?" Arissa called uncertainly, afraid deep inside that he would refuse her children.

"Oh, so they are quadruplets?" Robert shifted his gaze back to her and concealed his bewilderment.

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Chapter 40 Registering With The Children

"Yes, that's right!" Arissa replied with a smile. There is one more, actually.

"They are adorable!" Robert praised.

"Greetings, Mr. William," greeted Zachary and Oliver. Their adorable baby voice won the fondness of everyone at once, not to mention their politeness.

"Greetings, Mr. William!" Jesse followed them too. Her voice was even cuter than the rest.

"Oh, hello!" Robert was so fond of them he could not stop smiling.

"So, Mr. William, do they need to go through any tests?"

"No need, just fill in the registration form would do!" Robert realized something once he finished his words. However, Gavin's piercing stare let him swallow back his confusion. Hence, he proceeded and handed the forms to Arissa.

"Thank you!" answered Arissa.

"You are welcome. It's our honor to have your children as our students!" He grinned.

Arissa sensed an inexplicable strange feeling, but she did not address it and proceeded to fill in the forms.

"Mommy, shall we fill in the forms ourselves?" Zachary and Oliver followed her.

"I shall do it as there is some information you don't know. Just wait obediently would do, you all!"

Honestly, there would not be any difficulties for the kids to fill in the forms. Arissa just wanted to experience the feeling of registering her children to school.

Jesse stood beside her to watch her mother fill in the forms.

Arissa smiled at her sight and started scribbling on the papers.

Meanwhile, Robert had begun giving candies to the other kids. "What's your name?"

"Mr. William, I'm Zachary York!" Zachary introduced himself politely.

"Mr. William, I'm Oliver York!"

Robert appeared to be puzzled at their self-introductions. He turned his gaze at Gavin.

"Mr. William, I'm Jasper York!"

"Mr. William, I'm Jesse York!" Jesse ran toward Robert while beaming. Her chubby face and tiny ponytail were so adorable that she charmed him instantly.

"Here, Jesse, this candy is for you!" Robert was so fond of her he gave her a few more candies.

Jesse was delighted at his offer. "Thank you!"

"You are welcome!" Robert patted her head.

While he was trying to conceal his bewilderment, his eyes kept darting between the four of them.

Didn't Mr. Graham have a child only? Why are there four around now? No, that Jasper is sure to be Gavin.

Robert tried to express his confusion by making eye contact with Gavin.

After making sure that Arissa was too busy to notice them, Gavin tugged Robert aside.

Noticing his intentions, Zachary took Jesse to Arissa's side, afraid that she would raise suspicions at their act.

Oliver took a glance at Gavin and chose to follow Zachary.

Once he made sure that the air was clear, Gavin pulled out his phone and wrote in a text message: I'm not Gavin Graham now. My identity now is Jasper York. Please help us to keep it a secret.

Robert was amused at his message. His gaze was asking: Why?

Gavin typed: It's a secret, and I will tell you later. My Mommy and Daddy are not aware of it. Please keep this secret to yourself!

His message was mind-blowing to Robert. So they are quintuplets instead of quadruplets?

He raised five fingers to Gavin to confirm his confusion.

Staring sternly at Robert, Gavin nodded.

Robert was completely nonplussed. Finally, he agreed by nodding his head.

Seeing that he was willing to cooperate, Gavin beamed at him and said, "Your candies are tasty!"

Robert stroked his head affectionately. "There are still some more here if you like it!"

"Hehe!" Gavin chuckled.

Arissa tugged her lips into a smile as she saw how her children were mixing well with the principal.

Jasper is such a sweetheart that he managed to get along with Mr. William in no time.