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After he got off the car, he went over to the passenger's seat and opened the door before he escorted a lady out. I was totally not expecting him to bring a woman—an elegant woman, to be precise. I thought he would come with Jackson.

I lost myself for a second, looking at the lady.

But I quickly collected myself and went ahead to greet them. "It's been a long time, Nick. You're still as dashing as ever."

Nick smiled back at me politely. The childishness in his manner was long gone already. "It's been a long time. You've gotten thinner."

"Aren't you going to introduce your friend to us?" I asked, looking at the lady beside him.

He nodded and held her hand. "This is Rose, my girlfriend," he said, before turning toward the woman. "Rose, this is my sister, Scarlett."

Sister! The word really sounded stiff and distant coming from Nick.

Rose looked at me and put on a sweet smile. "Nice to meet you, Scarlett. You're just as beautiful as Nick described."

"He must have exaggerated. Come on in. Lunch is almost ready."

I ushered them into the house and asked them to take a seat. There were some burning questions I wanted to ask, but I did not. I wanted to know what happened to Jackson. I wanted to know if Nick intended on marrying this woman since he brought her home.

I never asked Nick about Jackson since I figured their relationship was not as simple. I thought both of them would continue seeing each other, but it turned out that was not the case.

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When mom was finally done cooking, dad had reached home after work. Everyone sat at the table and Nick introduced Rose to everyone. "Mom, I'm planning on marrying Rose. This is why I brought her with me today. Her family's from K City, so I guess it'll be easier if we let you take charge of our engagement since you know this place best."

Cameron was taken aback by Nick's direct statement, but it was not like she did not see this coming. "I'm glad you're finally settling down. I'll make sure the engagement ceremony turns out perfect. Let me know if both of you have any preferences."

Nick smiled warmly and shook his head. "We don't have any preference, mom. Something simple will suffice. Maybe just get the two families together for a meal."

A satisfied smile broke out on Cameron's face as she listened to Nick. She was glad to see her children finally settling down and getting married. This was what every parent hoped for their children.

Everyone had a good talk over lunch. I could not help but realize there was something off between Nick and Rose. They looked so rigid and polite around each other. If someone had not told me they were a couple, I would not have thought so.

After dinner, Cameron brought Rose upstairs. I figured she must have a gift for Rose.

As for me, I went outside and saw Nick in the backyard with his face downcast. "I heard mom said you're moving the company to K City? Are you planning on staying in the city in the future?"

He turned around and nodded. "Mom asked me to come over and manage Anderson Corporation with you. I thought that's a good idea. After all, it's always better to be around your family."

I nodded and hesitated a little before I continued, "Did Jackson come to K City with you? I still can't reach him after such a long time. Did he change his phone number?"

Nick froze at the mention of Jackson, but he quickly recollected himself. "I'm not sure. We haven't been in touch for some time already. He probably went to M Country. He's spent some time there before."

"What happened? Did you get into a fight with Jackson?" I felt something was obviously wrong.

Nick stopped for a while before shaking his head. "We're good. There's nothing to be worried about. How have you been? I haven't heard from you for such a long time. I heard from mom that Summer was sick some time ago. How is she now?"

Jackson and Nick took care of Summer for quite some time. If Nick were asking about a random child, I would have understood his casual tone, but it was Summer we were talking about. He and Jackson took her as their own daughter. There was no way Nick would talk about her in such a detached manner.

"Nick, I know what happened between you and Jackson is your privacy. But I'm your sister, and I'm also Jackson's friend. You have to at least let me know what's happening. Do you have any idea how sick Summer was? She had acute leukemia, and she almost died because of it. I have no idea what happened between you and Jackson. I texted and I called, but none of you picked up. If both of you still take me as a friend, you will let me be in the know. I don't understand why you guys are suddenly so cold to Summer and me—so much so that you would ignore us when we needed you all the most."

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Nick was genuinely shocked when he learned about Summer's illness. It was apparent that Cameron did not fill him in on the details.

He fell into silence for a while before he looked at me again. "How is Summer? Is she okay?"

"She did a bone marrow and kidney transplant. She's feeling better now but they're still putting her under a five-year observation. If there is no sign of rejection from her body, then she doesn't need to go through another transplant. But Nick, we're not talking about Summer now, I want to know what happened between you and Jackson."

Nick held his hands and tried to control his emotions. "He got a girl pregnant and went back to M Country with the woman," he said after some time.

Nick sounded apathetic, but I was totally caught off guard by his statement. "What happened? I thought you liked him?"

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Nick pursed his lips and looked at me in the eyes. "Do you find me disgusting?"

I shook my head in determination. "I believe all relationships are equal. The reason I asked is that I could see there was something between you and Jackson. I know both of you care for each other a lot. I had no idea what happened between the two of you, but now that I know, I just hope you guys find your happiness. Meeting and parting are part and parcel of life, but I really want to see each of you finding where you belong."

"I think it's best we both go our separate ways," Nick said with his gaze fixed on the ground.

I could hear the regret and sorrow in his voice. After some thought, I asked him another question. "Do you like Rose?"

No one was perfect. We could not do everyone justice by giving them the affection they were due, but we could at least try our best and be accountable to ourselves.

"Rose is gentle, kind, and beautiful. She reminds me of you when you were younger. She's a little stubborn and conflicting sometimes, but I think she's the right person to spend the rest of my life with. If she is the one to marry, I'll have no regrets for the rest of my life."

I was surprised Nick would say that. Since he had made up his mind, I decided to respect his decision.

When Cameron and Rose came back down again, she was holding a set of jewelry in her hands. It was not something of an exorbitant price, but it was apparent that Rose liked her gift.

The lot stayed back for some chit-chat after lunch until evening. Hunter had a gathering with his colleagues at night, so he, Emery, and Xavier went home before dinner time. Not long after they left, Nick and Rose took leave too.

Just as I was thinking about spending some time with Summer, Camelia called. I almost forgot her as she had not contacted me in a long while.

"Hey, Camelia." I hesitated and picked up the call.

"Hey, Scarlett. Are you busy? Down for a drink?" She sounded tired.

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"Sure, where are you?" I replied without a second thought.

"I'll send you my address," she replied before hanging up.

I planted a kiss on Summer's head and said sorry before leaving for the bar.

I wonder what happened to Camelia?

I made my way into the bar and spotted her right away. She was dressed in a stylish punk fashion. No one would imagine she was already a mother.

"What's up, Camelia?" I asked. I was taken by surprise when I saw her heavy makeup.

From her drowsy look, I could tell that she had drunk a lot before I arrived.

"Hey, Scarlett, take a seat!" she greeted and pulled me over to the seat beside her. "Brandy, please. Thanks," she told the waiter.

"Just a glass of juice would do," I hastily told the waiter.

"You're not drinking? We're at a bar," Camelia said.

"Well, it's not a must to order spaghetti if you're at an Italian restaurant."

"True. And it doesn't mean you'll find love if you're married," she said dejectedly.

I knew something must be bugging her. "So, why did you call me over? Not just for a drink, I suppose?"

Camelia gulped her drink and coughed furiously. She was breaking out in tears and started choking badly. "I've tried everything I could to become just like you, but he still doesn't love me. I've changed how I talk, how I behave, and even what I like and dislike, but it just doesn't work. What should I do?"