THE SUBSTITUTE WIFE: MY POOR HUSBAND IS A BILLIONAIRE

CHAPTER 832 FOUND HIS TRUE LOVE

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"Be careful. You're pregnant." "I'm here. Don't be afraid," said Garrett, holding Laney close to him and gently touching her face.

Vera and Kelly looked at each other, both surprised to see Garrett there.

Garrett approached the center of the room, his arm firmly around Laney's waist.

"Mrs. Sampson, you're as beautiful as ever!" Garrett greeted Imani in fluent French.

Imani smiled in return, replying, "Garrett, you're truly a charmer. No wonder so many women were always throwing themselves at you in the past. But it seems that you've finally found your true love this time around. She's definitely the finest rose."

Not understanding the language, Laney was curious to know what Garrett and Imani were talking about. At the same time, she was still a bit peeved with Garrett for being late, so she didn't bother asking.

"She said that you're as beautiful as a rose." With a gaze of pure adoration, Garrett raised his hand and touched the tip of Laney's nose with his finger.

"I heard that you've been very busy recently. And yet you still take the time to attend this dinner party with your wife! You remind me of how my husband was when we were young. You do love your wife so much,

Garrett!"

Imani praised Garrett generously. She looked over at Vera and said to her, "You have a good son. Such a responsible man as this will certainly do a great job managing the Harding Group. I believe we shall have a lot of opportunities to collaborate in the future."

Vera gave her a wry smile yet secretly looked over at Garrett in confusion.

"I'm going to go over there and greet my other friends. Enjoy yourselves." Imani left with a smile.

Kelly and Vera fell into silence.

Vera looked over at Kelly with questioning eyes. She asked Kelly to make sure that Garrett wasn't able to attend the dinner party.

Kelly hadn't expect that Garrett would make it. She was stunned silent and didn't know how to react.

Garrett gently pulled Laney to the side and pulled up chairs for both of them. "Why don't you speak? Are you still mad at me?" he asked.

Of course, Laney was still angry, and so no matter how Garrett tried to make her laugh, she remained silent. Garrett began to grow discouraged at her refusal to respond. Once Laney realized that she'd gotten to him a bit, she tugged at the corner of his suit and asked, pleadingly, "Why didn't you keep your promise...?"

Garrett felt a wave of remorse and hugged Laney closed to him. He apologized again and again. "I'm so sorry!"

They remained at each other's sides until the dinner

party had ended.

When the driver arrived, Vera looked over at Garrett beside her and asked as gently and nonchalantly as she could manage, "Garrett, why did you come here all of a sudden?"

Garrett undid the buttons of his cuffs and replied, his voice tinged with annoyance, "Mom, why were you so sure that I wouldn't come?"

Before he could lose his temper, he stopped and took a deep breath. He then continued, "I'd already said that I would come with Laney. But at the last minute, two partners of our company insisted on coming to visit, which prevented me from getting here on time."

Privately, though, he knew it wasn't actually that simple. Vera remained silent, her lips pursed. Seeing that, Garrett grew colder. "Mom, why are you still the

same as before?" he demanded.

Vera's grip on her handbag tightened, and she started to feel a bit guilty.

In actuality, Vera had wanted to prevent Garrett from attending the dinner party all together. That was why she'd arranged for Kelly to get in contact with the clients the company had cooperated with before, asking them to visit the newly-built building of the Harding Group that very day, in order to keep Garrett busy and away.

Laney always hung on Garrett when he was around. Vera knew that if Garrett were there, he would have done everything in his power to protect Laney. This would have made it very difficult for Vera to enact her plans.

Vera sought to mold Laney into the perfect daughter-

in-law to the Harding family she wanted her to be. She wanted to teach her a lesson. She also wanted Laney to treat her with more respect.

"Listen, Garrett, you should know that everything I do is for your own good," Vera said calmly.

Hearing Vera's words, Garrett was suddenly flooded with all the bad memories of years of his mother's meddling. He voice sharply rose in anger as he said, "All you want is a son who is obedient to your every command! What will make you happy, me being nothing but a puppet for you?"