## THE VIRGIN'S REVENGE

Chapter 14 Why does she hate me.

Her silence gave him a go ahead to continue.

"Betina you really need to stop this cold attitude it's affecting our daughter, for how long will you keep ignoring her presence like she means nothing to you?."

"Stuart please i don't plan on having this conversation with you, she cut him short, and besides she is a grown up, i have alot on my mind so excuse me i need to rest."

"I'll ask you to please think things over before you lose a daughter."

After that talk he couldn't face his daughter so he left for the attic.

There he spent the entire evening contemplating about his daughter's reputation.

He knew that soon the entire town would have her as a topic of discussion and he was afraid of the mental set back it would have on her progress.

Larissa and Lucian kept her company while playing video games.

The three chatted happily about different things and often times Lucian would get into a fight with Larissa.

But soon Larissa returned back home so Bethany decided to look for Stuart and she found him in the attic engrossed in old pictures.

"Hi dad."

Stuart wiped the tears the moment he heard his voice.

"Hey princess, what are you still doing up remember you need to follow the doctor's advice and......

"Get enough rest i know dad you don't need to remind me," she got the words off his lips.

Seeing the picture he was holding she continued "dad i thought you discarded that."

It was an old picture of her on the fifth birthday she had cake all over her face.

"Why would i sweetie i still vividly remember it like it was yesterday, those were happy memories i'll always cherish."

"I understand."

They looked at more memories in silence.

"Dad, she called him breaking the silence, why does mom hate me and don't try to deny it because I'm not a kid anymore, I've noticed her indifferent and cold attitude towards me, it's like i would stain her if she came closer," she said the last words with a tear drop.

"No princess come here, he enveloped her in a tight hug, mom loves you dearly she's just having a hard time at the store due to the recent drop in sales but i don't ever want you to view yourself as being dirty or worthless okay remember that."

"Then why does she keep on avoiding me i can't help but think she shuns me.....dad."

Stuart was out of words for the first time, he didnt know what he could possibly say to reassure her because truth was he doubted if Betina still loved her. All he did was coax her till she finally stopped crying.

Her eyes soon became heavy and he carried her back to her room.

Stuart tucked Bethany in the sheets kissed her forehead and before switching off the lights he took one last glance at her before leaving.

Later in the deep in night Bethany had a nightmare she kept writhing in bed, shaking her head vigorously and begging for them to stop.

She suddenly awoke screaming "nooooooo......

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