

Chapter 15

Ashley panicked when she heard this. "Honey... I thought Leslie wanted it, so I bid on it. After all, Leslie has always been into these kinds of things."

"Mom! How can you blame me? I never said I wanted it. It's too expensive, and Dad works hard for our family. How could I spend it like that? I used to be ignorant, but when I saw Dad's grey hair, I dared not do such things again. In fact, the evening gown Sarah is wearing, I wanted you to return it. After all, it cost over a hundred thousand!"

Leslie pouted in grievance, "But at that time, I was afraid you would scold me..."

Ashley turned pale, and Sarah was frozen, looking at Leslie in disbelief.

How could this bitch talk like this?

"Dad, Mom spoils Leslie too much; that's why she behaves like this. Don't blame her!"

Sarah quickly defended Ashley.

"Dad, I'm grown up now; I don't need excessive protection. Mom, please don't buy me luxury items in the future!" Leslie said softly, walking over to shake Riley's arm, with a pitiful look in her eyes.

Riley pushed away Ashley's hand, patted Leslie's shoulder, "Don't be afraid. I don't blame you..."

After that, Riley looked up, staring coldly at Ashley and her daughter.

"Clearly Leslie didn't say she wanted it, but you and others bid it up to over ten million. You really embarrassed me."

Ashley cried, "I'm sorry, dear. I..."

"And you spent over a hundred thousand on that dress? Do you think my money falls from the sky?"

Riley was furious, slapping Ashley's face!

He allowed his daughters to dress luxuriously, but a necklace costing over ten million was too much! And a dress over a hundred thousand was extravagant!

In Riley's eyes, such things had no value!

Ashley was slapped onto the sofa, Sarah startled, quickly supporting Ashley. "Mommy, are you okay? Daddy, how could you hit Mommy? Clearly, it's this little wench..."

"Sarah!" Ashley sternly interrupted, stopping Sarah from saying more.

Although Sarah was shrewd, in this situation, her anger clouded her mind, and she didn't think much.

"Riley, what did you just say?"

Riley angrily asked. Leslie held ten percent of Byrd Venture's shares. If she became dissatisfied with him, he might lose the opportunity to have that ten percent.

So, in Riley's heart, Ashley and Sarah were temporarily not as important as Leslie.

Moreover, with Ashley spending over ten million on the Gem of Eternity just now, Riley already harbored resentment towards his wife. Now, with Sarah being so difficult, his anger only intensified!

"Daddy, I was wrong... I didn't say anything. It was our fault!" Sarah came back to her senses, tears streaming down her face.

Riley treated her and her mother worse, it wasn't because of this little bitch...

Leslie tugged on Riley's robe, "Daddy, don't be angry, it's my fault! If I firmly insisted on not wanting the necklace back then... I did try to stop it, but Mommy didn't listen. However, she did it for my own good, don't be angry, okay?"

Leslie softly pleaded, and Riley looked at Leslie. Seeing her so well-

behaved and sensible, he couldn't help but sigh, "Leslie, you've really grown up, I can rest assured now. Reflect on yourselves, don't let her down!"

Riley was full of grievances. Leslie quickly smiled, "Daddy, don't be angry. You just returned from your business trip, you must be tired. Let's eat first!"

In the past life, Riley also returned home at this time, so Leslie had it all planned out...

Ashley, Sarah, don't think about tarnishing me in front of Daddy! Hmph!

Leslie looked at Ashley and Sarah with pity, then pulled Riley towards the dining room.

Ashley silently wiped away the tears at the corner of her eyes, hating so much that her hands trembled. Sarah silently held her hand, whispering, "Mommy, what should we do?"

Ashley's eyes were full of resentment and madness. She didn't expect that this little wench would speak like this!

"Why do I feel... that this little wench is a bit different?" Sarah whispered.

It seemed that she had become smarter. In the past, when she liked something, she never listened to Riley's advice and she would definitely get it!

Now she suddenly became sensible, saying she didn't want luxury items?

"Hmph, what can change? It's just a coincidence. She didn't say she wanted the necklace. When she came back here, she was just afraid of Riley scolding her, that's why she spoke like that!" Ashley didn't believe that the stepdaughter she had raised for more than a decade, as stupid as a fool, could suddenly become smart.

Mommy, should we be careful?"

Sarah asked in a low voice.

At this time, the servants were all in the dining room serving Leslie and Riley, so there was no one to hear the conversation between them.

"Forget it, we still have your little brother." Sarah coldly smiled.

He was the apple of the grandmother's eye. It was rare to have a chance to be with him. Ashley willingly sent the youngest son to spend the summer vacation with the grandmother.

Sarah's eyes lit up, and all the worries disappeared!

Mommy was right; they still had the youngest brother, the most important one in the Byrd family!

Even if Leslie became powerful, the Byrd family would ultimately fall into his hands!

Leslie sat with Riley in the dining room, calmly discussing.

"Daddy, I've heard that in a week, Mrs. Lisa of Coningsby will come here to talk business with you?"

Leslie said with a slight smile.

"How do you know?" Riley looked at his eldest daughter strangely.

"It's in the newspaper. It said that Byrd Venture and Mrs. Lisa have some exchanges. Daddy, you probably don't know that Mrs. Lisa really likes necklaces, right? The Gem of Eternity, designed by an Italian designer, will become even more famous in the future. Mrs. Lisa will love that necklace..."

Leslie smiled slightly, revealing her plan.

Riley wasn't stupid. Hearing her words, he suddenly brightened, "Are you suggesting giving the Gem of Eternity to Mrs. Lisa?"

"Yes, their family has a tradition of exchanging gifts. This Gem of Eternity is the perfect choice." Leslie smiled. In the past life, three days after Ashley bought the necklace, the famous designer Hank died in a car accident.

His works were then crazily hyped, and the prices skyrocketed. Mrs.

Lisa would be very happy to receive such a gift.



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