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Chapter 1531

Hearing that, Betty's mind whizzed. She scrambled up from the floor. "A-Are you able to come home?

When will you return? Are you back to take revenge on Landon?"

Zoe hissed through gritted teeth, "I will give him trouble if he makes my life miserable. From the

moment he slapped me in front of Alyssa, Jasper, and the high society of Solana City, I stopped seeing

him as my brother. He's just my enemy now!"

"Right! Landon has crossed a line. How could he abandon his sister even before he marries Lauren?

Not only that, Landon is turning against his mom. Imagine if he marries Lauren. What will happen to

you and your mom?" Betty sniffled. She then started fanning the flames and backstabbing Lauren.

"Hmph! Stop acting like you're thinking for me. You're only saying that because you need me back to

take revenge for you," Zoe called out Betty's despicable motives.

She added, "You lost your mom's backing. You have no power without her. All you can do is watch your stupid sister marry into wealth and step all over you."

That reminded Betty of the halcyon gemstones that were taken by Landon, which would eventually end

up as Lauren's assets. Quivering in hatred, she felt extremely disgruntled and dissatisfied.

Betty thought that, as Javier's eldest daughter, she was the one who carried her parents' expectations

and enjoyed their affection. How did she end up in such a sorry state? Even that fool, Lauren, had

surpassed her in life.

"I will never see Lauren marry Landon! That'll never happen!" Betty scowled resentfully.

"I share the same thought, but you know Landon. It's impossible to make him give up on Lauren. That's

why we need to plan this carefully so that he will utterly give up on her." Zoe chuckled maliciously.

"Looks like we'll be working together once more.

"Have you learned something from your mom's issue? It's useless to pin all your hopes on somebody

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else. Take your revenge by yourself. It's going to feel cathartic!"

Betty had picked up Zoe's undertones. Zoe wanted to work with Betty just to be safe—so that she

could have someone to blame if things went wrong.

However, Betty was consumed by hatred. She would go to any lengths, even sacrificing herself just to

destroy Landon and Lauren. She said to Zoe, "There's no point discussing this now. Let's talk when

you're back."

When Jasper and Landon left the Seaview Manor, their luxury cars waited for their owners by the

entrance. The Seaview Manor was not home to Landon, but it seemed that Jasper, too, no longer

considered the place his home.

"You should have told me Lauren loves this stuff. I can get my hands on as many as I can for her," said

Jasper as he gazed at the heavy bag in Landon's hand. "Why would you give Lauren Sophia's

possessions? It's so icky."

"If we don't take these away, they'll fall into Betty's hands! I'd rather crush these stones than hand them

to that dunce!" Landon looked smug. "It felt so good seeing her red in anger and holding a hammer!

Hahaha! She must have been driven crazy after losing something that was nearly hers!"

Jasper grinned as he shot a helpless look at his friend.

He said, "The grudge between my mom and Sophia is in the past. Besides, Sophia wasn't even

pregnant with Lauren when she joined the Beckett family. Lauren has nothing to do with it."

Chapter 1532

Feeling bad, Jasper patted Landon on the shoulder. He offered, "Bring Lauren to our place when you're

free. I'll get Lyse to comfort her. She listens well to Lyse. I learned a few new recipes lately. You guys

can have a chat with Lyse and taste my cooking."

Landon's face fell. He trembled. "Are you inviting us to dinner or poisoning us?"

Jasper was rendered speechless.

"Is one victim not enough for you? How could you drag Lauren into all of this? Don't you feel guilty,

Jasper?"

"I'm inviting you over to show you how I take care of Lyse. Learn from me, and your relationship with

Lauren will improve by leaps and bounds.

"Loving a woman doesn't only mean keeping her company. You need to try out new things that you've

never done before for her. You need to learn new skills," advised Jasper with a warm and tender look in

his eyes.

He had taken revenge for his mom. Alyssa was in love with him. At this moment, he felt he had

achieved peak happiness. Therefore, he wished the same for Landon after the latter married Lauren.

"Of course I will. I'll spend my life learning new things for Lauren." Landon inhaled deeply and cast a

passionate look at his friend. "Jasper, I'm prepared to officially discuss the marriage with your dad in

the next two days.

"I wanted to make the move after getting appointed to the position of company president, but I couldn't

wait anymore. I wanted to make her my wife and take her home. I love her... very much." Landon's

voice trembled at the end as he choked up from his deep affection for Lauren.

"That's right. You don't have to be president of Harper Group to marry Lauren. The business you

worked on over the years and your savings could rival half of the company's wealth."

Feeling touched, Jasper looked into Landon's eyes. "If you've made the decision, just go for it. Lyse

and I will give you our full support. All the best, my friend!"

Alyssa heard from Ben that Newton wasn't feeling too well. She informed Jasper about it. Later, the

couple rushed over to Crescent Bay.

After some prodding, Ben finally told her the truth. Newton's health had declined lately. He couldn't eat

or sleep well. The physician checked in on him daily but failed to pinpoint the issue.

The physician merely concluded that Newton suffered from digestive issues due to advanced age and

needed to take medicine for that.

Newton had kept the news from the young couple as he didn't want them to worry.

During the trip to Crescent Bay, Alyssa looked pale and anxious.

Chapter 1533

"Of course I'm okay with it. I'm fine with anything as long as I'm with you, and if it's for Grandpa,"

Jasper said with a smile.

"I feel sorry..." Alyssa wrapped her arms around his neck and buried her head in his shoulders

She said in a muffled voice, "Ben told me that Grandpa hasn't been feeling well for a while, but I

couldn't tell until now.

"He even got up from his wheelchair at the cemetery. Whenever I think of that, I feel horrible. How

could I have carelessly missed it?"

"It's not your fault, Lyse. You've done well," Jasper comforted her. "Let's pay more attention to him in

the future. I bet he doesn't want to stress you out. He might refuse to see you if he learns that you

know about his condition," said Jasper.

Then, he thought, "Did Landon and I have the honor to date the two kindest souls in the world? We're

two lucky guys!"

The mood in Crescent Bay villa was gay due to Jasper and Alyssa's presence. Alyssa performed a

checkup on Newton, after which she prepared some healthy dishes in the kitchen. On top of that, she

reminded the chef of the foods to avoid, given Newton's health condition.

All in all, she was like a perfect granddaughter-in-law.

Jasper had limited knowledge about healthy foods. Unable to offer help, he settled down beside

Newton.

Newton stared at Alyssa. He remarked, "There's no one better than my granddaughter-in-law! She's

young, talented, caring, and listens well. She's even a good cook!"

Then, he lamented, "Sigh. I have always preferred girls over boys. Girls, if raised and nurtured well,

could take over the family business just like boys. But your grandma gave me two sons. If it weren't for

her health, I would have wanted a daughter with her.

"If I had a daughter, I would raise her well so she'd turn out like Alice. Then, I would hand the company

to her. As for your dad. Hmph! He should feel thankful for getting scraps."

Jasper listened quietly to Newton with an aloof expression.

Newton ranted, "What has your dad done in the years as chairman? If your Uncle Ryan hadn't passed

on early." He suddenly inhaled sharply and ended his rant.

The look in Jasper's eyes deepened. He always had a feeling that Newton's dissatisfaction toward

Javier stemmed from something bigger than Javier's decision to marry Sophia. He never seemed to

like Javier much and instead occasionally expressed his affection for his younger son, Ryan.

"Jasper, it's good that you've returned after having lost your way. You chose Alice instead of going

down your dad's path. Otherwise, I will never rest in peace. I'll roll in my grave!" joked Newton, whose

gloomy mood suddenly disappeared.

Jasper gulped. "Grandpa, I'm sorry to you. I'm more sorry to Lyse... I was—"

Chapter 1534

It was good news, but the air grew heavy. After a pause, Alyssa revealed calmly, "Cyrus told me that

Sophia went berserk before the death sentence. She peed herself and couldn't walk straight. They had

to drag her to the execution chamber. It was such a cathartic scene."

Jasper finally croaked, "Was it by lethal injection or firing?"

"Lethal injection." She looked deep into his eyes. The corner of her lips lifted. "Firing would have been

too merciful for her. She struggled in pain for ten minutes until her heart stopped.

"She was strapped to a chair by the time of her death, limbs stiff and face contorted. The short ten

minutes of torture might not be enough to make up for what she did to Anne, but at least justice was

served."

Jasper lowered his gaze. The news stirred complicated emotions in him.

Sophia Kirkman was dead. Ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

He should have applauded in glee, but he did not feel as excited as he thought he would be since the

case had dragged out for too long.

"After her death, the court informed Javier to claim her body for cremation. Since they weren't divorced,

he was legally her husband. But he refused to show up. The court had no choice but to proceed with

the cremation itself," added Alyssa.

With a smirk, she taunted, "As a husband, Javier refused to send Sophia on her final journey, even

after she had mothered his children. How sad!"

"Hmph! If he dares to claim her body, he'd better step out of the chairman role. He should go do

something else instead." Newton's eyes flashed with emotions.

He slapped his thigh and said, "No matter what, I'm thrilled that Jasper has gotten his revenge. Ben, tell

the chef to whip up more dishes tonight. We'll pop a fine wine to celebrate the occasion!"

In a good mood, Ben chuckled. "Yes. I'll get the chef to work on it."

"By the way, get someone to look around for some fireworks. Buy some for us to set off," Newton

ordered.

Jasper found the idea comical. "Grandpa, you don't have to. Besides, how will you find fireworks in the

middle of nowhere? Don't give Ben trouble."

"Ben, there's a shop selling fireworks at Pelham Street. It's three miles away from the villa. I frequently

bought fireworks for Grandpa there in the past. Send someone there right now. The shop must still be

open," Alyssa informed Ben with a smile.

Jasper glanced at her in astonishment. Did she frequently buy fireworks for Newton? Why wasn't he

aware of it?

Ben gave her a thumbs-up. "Ms. Alyssa, nobody knows Mr. Newton as well as you. You're not just a

granddaughter-in-law to him; you're almost like his granddaughter!"

Hearing that, Alyssa shyly clasped her hands and blushed, unlike her usual relaxed self.

"She's kept me company through lonely times. Too bad I couldn't do more for her because my time is

nearly up. You need to treat her well on my behalf."

"Grandpa..." Jasper held his breath and choked up.

While she was speaking, a tall figure appeared in front of her.

Chapter 1535

Suddenly, Alyssa felt Jasper's hand on the small of her back. He pressed her against his warm chest.

"Mmm..." Her body went limp, and her breath caught. Jasper sealed her lips with a look of desire and

guilt.

He kissed her deeply, passionately, and freely in front of Newton.

Newton and Ben looked delighted at the scene as their hearts raced. Given Jasper's nature, he

consistently exhibited reserved, undiplomatic, and challenging traits.

When Jasper was a teen, Newton had seriously considered bringing him in for a psychiatric evaluation

multiple times, but he worried he might injure the poor kid's ego.

Now, Jasper was a changed man all because of Alyssa.

"Don't! Grandpa is here." Alyssa shoved Jasper away awkwardly with a blush on her cheeks.

"Grandpa is family." Jasper put a hand on her waist. He blurted out, "Besides, why can't I kiss my lover

in public?"

She shyly pressed her moist lips together at his flirting.

In the past, all he could do was carefully trod around. Every time, he hesitated to use the word "lover".

Little did he know that all he needed to do was courageously take a step toward her. Once he took that

one step forward, their hearts would touch.

"Ahem! Ben, have you fed the birds in the backyard? Let's do it now!" Newton chuckled with glee.

"Sure, Mr. Newton!" Ben was equally happy.

When Jasper finally moved his lips away from Alyssa's, her lipstick was smudged. He wiped away the

smudge and said, "Lyse, thank you. I'm glad to have you by my side, whether in the past or the

present."

"Do you know the reason Grandpa loves fireworks?" Alyssa embarrassedly lowered her gaze and

adjusted his tie for him.

Tell me.

"It's because Grandma loved them." She sighed. "When she was young, she loved playing with

fireworks. But Grandpa was an insensible young chap who only bought her bottle rockets and played

them in the garden. She was annoyed and nicknamed him Newton 'Bottle-Rocket' Beckett."

Jasper chuckled. "That's a great nickname. It suits his personality."

Jasper teared up after listening to her stories.

Jasper felt extremely guilty. Of course Newton's stories had everything to do with him.

Chapter 1536

As Newton's grandson, Jasper did not take after him much. All he took after was Javier's cold-

heartedness. Jasper thought he was getting better, but he finally realized that he could never measure

up to the depth of Newton's affection for Doris.

"I will never hurt you again," he said in a trembling voice after a frustrating silence.

Alyssa placed a finger on his lips and chuckled. "Yeah. You won't."

After the couple enjoyed a hearty dinner with Newton, Ben sent someone to get the fireworks.

Seated in the wheelchair, Newton smiled as the couple lit the fireworks. Jasper and Alyssa waved the

sparklers around like two happy kids on Christmas Day.

"Look at the wide smile on Mr. Jasper's face," remarked Ben, who thoughtfully draped a blanket on

Newton's lap. "I still remember the time he first started living with you.

"His height was around your waist level. He was dressed in oversized clothes, looking tanned,

underweight, and tiny. Now, he's a man with his own responsibilities."

Ben continued saying, "He never smiled in that way before he met Ms. Alyssa. He carried a heavy

burden on his shoulders and hatred in his heart. He was never as happy as he is now. Fortunately, Ms.

Alyssa saved him from the darkness. It's all in the past now."

"Alice is not just a gift of God to me. She's a gift to my grandson." Newton looked on gently, feeling the

warmth from the scene in front of him.

Jasper and Alyssa made a great couple, which reminded him of his late wife, who had passed away

many years back.

"Till all the seas gang dry, my dear,

And the rocks melt with the sun;

I will love thee still, my dear,

While the sands of life shall run..."

Newton recited a poem softly, but he snapped back to reality when his phone rang. His eyes wavered

in shock when he checked the caller ID.

Ben cast a puzzled look at the screen before gasping. "It's... Mr. Justin?"

"Ben, wheel me indoors."

The duo entered the living room, where Newton answered the video call with bated breath.

Justin's face appeared on the screen, looking pallid. He smiled amicably at Newton. "Grandpa, it's

been a while. How are you?"

Chapter 1538

"Justin, are you a fan of mine?" Alyssa blinked rapidly.

The notion struck Alyssa as interesting. More peculiarly, Justin claimed he had met her way earlier,

which made her feel doubtful.

Although her identity as Alexa got exposed, it was a well-kept secret years ago. From Justin's words,

he seemed to have known she was Alexa long before she was exposed.

"I have heard great things about you. You feel familiar and real—like someone who's by my side. I don't

see you as a stranger," remarked Justin earnestly.

"Haha! My granddaughter-in-law is pretty famous!" Joking, Newton took Alyssa and Jasper's hands.

Then, he put their hands on top of each other in front of Justin. "Jasper, you need to worship Alice. Just

look at how famous and brilliant she is. She's a lucky charm of the family!"

Alyssa pressed her lips together as she blushed. Jasper interlocked his fingers with hers and declared,

"Grandpa, don't you worry about that. To her, I'm just her man. But to me, she is my entire world."

In a black wheelchair, Justin sat, half of his frosty face veiled in shadows after the call. The light and

shadows seemed to have split his soul into two.

He placed his arms on the armrests. Under his exquisite, sapphire-encrusted sleeve were his weak

wrists. His slender fingers danced across the armrests as if he were playing a silent tune on the piano.

"Sir, it's time to take your medications," said Sheryl.

She held a tray in her hand and strutted up to him. The tray contained a colorful assortment of pills and

a crystal cup.

He gave the pills a side-eye with a smirk. "That's a lot of pills to take daily. I'm taking pills like they're

my meals. I wonder if my blood is as poisonous and bitter as the pills now."

A look of pity flashed across Sheryl's eyes. "Sir, you've been through too much."

"The same goes for you." Justin gracefully picked up the pills.

She immediately shook her head. "My suffering is nothing compared to yours."

at this point. I hate him as much as I hate Alyssa layior!"

He glanced at Sheryl. She had been molded and trained to perfection. Still, her radiance paled in

comparison to Alyssa's dazzling beauty, as seen in the video call.

Jasper always seemed to be the luckier one from a young age.

Chapter 1539

"However, just take a look at the situation now. Does Mr. Beckett Senior still care for you? He has been

keeping his guard up with you. He's afraid of you.

"Their little family has been enjoying each other's company in Solana City. They've never shown

concern over how you've survived through all those nights that were full of pain and suffering!

"It was Jasper who snatched away all that belonged to you. Everything that he now has... Those were

supposed to be yours!" Sheryl exclaimed.

Justin picked up another pill and put it in his mouth. He started chewing it. He closed his eyes and

mumbled, "Grandpa, you said that he was just a child back then. But you seem to have forgotten that I

was also a child at that time."

Initially, Jasper and Alyssa wanted to stay back. They wanted to accompany Newton. Nonetheless,

Newton was adamantly against it. He insisted that they go back home.

"Are you two out of your minds? Go on and enjoy each other's company. Why do you always want to

hang around an old man like me? Have you got too much time on your hands?"

Newton pushed them outside. "It's time to leave. I'm glad that you came to see me. However, you'll just

be a nuisance to me if you stay for so long! See them off, Ben!"

Alyssa pouted. "Grandpa, are you sure you want us to leave?"

"Yes."

Alyssa was speechless.

Jasper frowned. He said in a worried tone, "But Grandpa, your health."

"Don't worry, Mr. Jasper and Ms. Alyssa. I will keep you both closely updated about Mr. Newton," Ben

reassured them.

Jasper and Alyssa had no other choice. They left unwillingly.

After seeing them off, Ben came back to Newton. Newton no longer had a smile on his face. Instead,

he was looking glum.

"Mr. Newton, didn't you want them to stay back? It's a good chance to spend some time together. Why

did you."

"Do you think I'd still be in the mood for that?"

Newton pressed his hands against his chest. He breathed laboriously. "I feel so uneasy, Ben. If I asked

them to stay, they would be able to see that there was something wrong with me. I'm afraid of making

them worry again."

"Is it because of Mr. Justin?"

"There are some things that I can't explain clearly to you. I'm sure you understand."

Newton was troubled. He felt anxious. "I'm more worried for Alyssa than Jasper right now! Or how

about if I were to go to Belbanks in the next couple of days? I should meet with Mr. Winston to propose

Jasper and Alyssa's marriage! We shouldn't keep dragging it. Otherwise, it wouldn't be good!"

"Please calm down, Mr. Newton."

"It wasn't easy for Mr. Jasper to prevail over that painful past for now. He put in his own effort and

worked really hard. The Taylor family members have now started to treat him a little more warmly.

"Mr. Winston... he has a unique personality. He can be very unpredictable!"

Newton scratched his head anxiously. He sighed, "What should I do, then? I'm afraid that Alyssa will

end up being won over by someone else!"

"That won't happen. Their love for one another is as steadfast as the sun. They are just stuck in

between two families. So, they have to proceed slowly.

"Moreover, they mentioned the marriage between Mr. Landon and Ms. Lauren over tonight's dinner. I

think you have to pay some attention to these two as well."

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Newton let out a heavy sigh. He slapped his hand on the armrest. "These are all my grandchildren. I

love all of them. I will make sure that they find their better halves, even if that means having to risk my

life!"

Chapter 1540

When Jasper and Alyssa got home, Jasper received a call from Xavier. Then, he went to the study to

get some work done.

"Mr. Beckett, the foundation's matters are pretty much all set. You'll just need to pick a date for the

official announcement."

"Alright. Thanks." Jasper's voice sounded low and a little weary.

"Also, weren't you planning to bring Madam to Swizo for a holiday? I've made preparations for a manor

there. It's right at the foot of the Alton Mountains. The scenery there is fantastic. You and Madam can

head over there any time," Xavier said in a jolly tone.

He had been feeling elated since they defeated Sophia. Every day, he was so happy that he'd be

smiling in his sleep.

However, Jasper still didn't respond after a while. He wasn't paying attention. He was still thinking

about his conversation with Justin earlier that night. He was also bothered by how Justin had looked at

Alyssa.

Jasper felt his chest tighten. The look in his eyes was deep.

"Mr. Beckett? Mr. Beckett? Did you doze off?"

Jasper jolted back to his senses. "What were you saying?"

"I was saying that I've made arrangements at Swizo. You can bring Madam for a vacation there any

time."

Concerned, Xavier asked, "What happened, Mr. Beckett? You sound weak. Are you feeling unwell?"

"Xavier, I spoke to Justin earlier tonight. He's also met Lyse." Jasper massaged his temples. He was

feeling disconcerted.

"What?" Xavier couldn't help but exclaim. He simply blurted, "What the hell? What were you thinking?"

Jasper was too distressed to reprimand him for his language. He explained, "We were on a video call.

Lyse and Grandpa were around, too. Justin said that he wanted to see her. I didn't think too much

about it. It wasn't nice to reject him either."

"You let him speak with her just because he said so? Are you going to give in to everything he says?

Mr. Beckett! You're usually an intelligent person. You're as smart as a whip! Why did you become so

senseless in the face of Mr. Justin?"

Xavier was so anxious that he just rambled on. "That incident that happened when you were kids... It

was an accident! An accident! What happened to Mr. Justin was terrible. But you were also a victim.

You almost lost your life too!

"It's fine if you feel grateful toward him. However, you shouldn't need to feel like you owe it to him

forever! You don't need to give in to his every demand!"

Jasper furrowed his brows slightly. His heart sank.

"I'm not trying to be a conspiracy theorist. But who knows if those kidnappers were actually targeting

Mr. Justin? You might've just been collateral damage!"

The more Xavier spoke, the more he felt indignant. "Just think about it. You were still so young back

then. It had only been a few years since you got back to the Beckett family. Only a handful of outsiders

knew of your existence.

"Mr. Justin was different. Mr. Javier used to bring him out in public. He's Mr. Javier's lawful eldest son,

born with a silver spoon in his mouth!

"If I were a kidnapper, Mr. Justin would surely have been my number one target! He would be more

valuable as a hostage compared to you. You were just an added benefit at the time!" Jasper was

rendered speechless.

Xavier spoke crudely. Nevertheless, his points were valid.

Back then, Jasper was just an "illegitimate son". Justin was far more valued than he was.

Yet, Jasper couldn't deny that Justin had fought for his life too. That was how he was fortunate enough

to escape from the grasp of those devils.

Would Justin, really? Would he be interested in Alyssa?

Jasper inhaled sharply. He shook his head aggressively. He mumbled to himself, "He won't."

"He's not a priest or a saint. What do you mean that he won't? What if he becomes interested in

Madam? Are you going to give in to him too?"

"Definitely not."

"Whatever it is, you need to have your guard up. You have to guard her with your life!"

"You will be in an extremely dangerous position, Mr. Beckett! The entire Beckett Group's structure will

be subject to radical changes!"