

THE DIVORCE PRESCRIPTION

Chapter 518

Adam's voice was hoarse, and it took him a moment to steady himself.

He stared at Celine, his eyes searching hers as he asked, "Celine, was it you? Has the emerald necklace always been with you? Were you the one who saved me all those years ago?"

Alfred's voice cut through the silence. "That's right! The girl who saved you back then was Celine!"

Hailey sneered, "Mr. Alvarez, you've been terribly mistaken all this time. It was Celine who saved you. How could you confuse Carly with her?"

Robin chimed in, "Mr. Alvarez, you and Celine lost so many years. And worse, you've caused her so much pain because of Carly-and you never even noticed."

The girl from that night was never Carly.

It was Celine.

Adam's fingers tightened into a fist as the truth hit him like a cold, unforgiving wave. The girl who saved him all those years ago was Celine. He had spent all this time searching for the wrong person. All these years, he had been chasing the wrong memory.

Celine met his gaze, her voice steady and unwavering. "Yes, Adam, it was me."

Adam's tall frame stiffened.

Her

eyes turned red as she pressed on, "I was the girl who saved you. Adam, where did you go after that? Do you have any idea how long I waited for you? You promised you'd take me with you. You swore you'd give me a home. You told me you'd never leave me behind. I held onto those words my whole life."

In that instant, Adam was flooded with a thousand unspoken emotions. Before him, Celine's face slowly merged with the image of the girl from the cave. Every promise he had made to her resurfaced with painful clarity.

Celine's eyes glistened with unshed tears. "I waited for you for so long, but you never came back. So, I went after you.

"I followed your path through countless cities, chasing every trace of you. I saw your photo in a display case at Haffard University, and that was when I first discovered your name-Adam Alvarez. From that moment, I couldn't stop learning everything about you.

"Later, I heard you had fallen into a coma. The Tates asked me to marry you in someone else's place, so I did it. Adam, I faced endless hardships-all just to be by your side."

Adam never came back for Celine after that incident, so she set out to find him instead. That search lasted for over ten years. She walked an endless road-a road that finally brought her back to him.

Adam listened in stunned silence, realizing he had never returned for her. All these years, he had left her behind, stranded in solitude.

He had kept Carly by his side, protecting and caring for her, while Celine had been left to fend for herself like a wildflower neglected and tossed by the wind. She had returned to him at last, yet he had failed to recognize her.

A sharp, agonizing pain pierced Adam's chest as though a knife had been driven deep into his heart, tearing him apart from within. The regret was unbearable.

Adam stepped forward and gripped Celine's shoulders. "Celine... I'm so sorry. I didn't know... I didn't know it was you..."

Celine's tear-filled eyes traced his face, her lips curving into a faint, bittersweet smile. "Adam, there were moments I resented you, even hated you. I hated that you forgot me hated how cold and distant you were."

Adam's eyes turned bloodshot, emotions swirling violently within him. He tightened his grip on Celine's shoulders, shaking his in desperation. "No... I never forgot

you, Celine. I just... I mistook for

someone else for you. I thought Carly was you."

Carly stood frozen, her heart shattering as she witnessed their reunion.

The one thing she had feared the most had finally happened.

What now?

What was she supposed to do now?

Sonia, Lucy, Hayden, and Tracy stood in stunned silence, their faces drained of all color. They had come here believing Carly's heart surgery would be the beginning of a new chapter. But now, it was clear this

surgery wasn't the start of

something new.

It was the beginning of their downfall.

Adam and Celine had found their way back to each other. No matter what they

had done to stop it, fate had already made its choice.

Adam and Celine were always meant to be.