

The More the Merrier Chapter 209

When Arissa heard that the village chief had left, she hurriedly came out from the kitchen, but the man was already nowhere to be seen.

“Mommy, the village chief left in a hurry. Maybe he was frightened,” commented Gavin.

Startled, Arissa cast a brief look at the man sitting in the living room and smacked her lips. “It’s okay.”

Actually, she invited the village chief over because she wanted to ask him to keep their existence a secret. Now that Benjamin had found them, it was unnecessary.

Just when she was about to head back to the kitchen, Benjamin stopped her.

“Arissa.”

Turning around, she flashed him a sweet smile. “Mr. Graham.”

He could not help but snort when she acted as if she had only discovered his existence.

“Mr. Graham, please take a seat. Dinner will be ready soon.” Arissa did not give him a chance to speak, and hurried back to the kitchen.

At the same time, Ethen was setting the table with the other four children.

Since the village chief had left, Arissa did not prepare any more food. After cooking five dishes and a soup, she announced that dinner was ready.

“Mr. Graham, let’s eat.”

Benjamin shot Arissa a glance, walked over, and sat at the head of the table.

After that, she also called Ethen and Bradley over for dinner.

The children were already seated at the table.

“Everybody, dig in,” she said and sat down.

“Ms. York, did you prepare all these? They look so delicious!” Ethen salivated at the spread which looked particularly appetizing. There was even oven-baked escargot.

It had been a long time since he had escargots.

Hence, he was extremely excited.

“I prepared them for the village chief, but he left,” Arissa responded.

Ethen raised the corners of his lips and looked at Benjamin. Thanks to the village chief, we get to enjoy this scrumptious meal.

“Should we invite the bodyguards in for dinner as well?” Arissa directed her question at Ethen.

Feeling the pressure, he replied, “There’s no need for that. They’ll go back and eat later.”

Besides, the food here isn't enough for everyone.

At that moment, Benjamin fixated his gaze on Arissa. Once he saw her sweaty neck, he bit back the words that he was about to say.

"Sweethearts, eat more." She placed a lot of food on the children's plates.

"Thank you, Mommy!" the quintuplets expressed their gratitude sweetly.

Arissa beamed.

Benjamin's eyes lit up instantly, but he quickly collected himself and ate in silence.

"They're delectable. Ms. York, you're a better cook than my mother," Ethen complimented while gobbling down his food.

Arissa was at a loss for what to do. Is that supposed to be a compliment? I've never eaten his mother's food and didn't even know if it was delicious.

"Shut up if you still want to continue eating." Just then, Benjamin shot his assistant an icy glare.

The latter flinched and did not dare to say another word.

Bradley, who was sitting beside Ethen, was eating quietly the whole time.

The quintuplets took a glance at Benjamin and lowered their heads to continue eating.

When Arissa looked at Benjamin, he was staring at her. Taken aback, she immediately averted her gaze away from him.

Nevertheless, she still mustered her courage and piped up, "Mr. Graham, these are simple homemade dishes. Have a taste."

"Okay," Benjamin responded faintly.

After a while, she noticed he only ate the food in front of him.

"These are not bad too. You don't like them?" She could not stop herself from asking out loud.

He stared at her intently, making her feel self-conscious.

Then he took some food from another plate.

Shocked, Ethen wanted to stop him, but Benjamin shot him a warning look.

On the contrary, Arissa was happy to see Benjamin trying other dishes. Was he embarrassed just now?

Gavin cast a brief look at Benjamin and shifted his gaze to Arissa.

Seeing how happy she was, he decided to ignore Benjamin. He's already an adult. It's his own fault for eating something he shouldn't.