

## When His Eyes Opened Chapter 351

Chapter 351 It was five in the evening at Starry River Kindergarten.

This was the bodyguard's first day on the job. Once he picked up the children, he brought them home.

“Uncle Bodyguard, can Hayden and I play outside for a while?” Layla looked up at him. She was trying to see where the boundary lay.

The bodyguard replied clearly, “Sure! I'll take you out to play after dinner.”

Layla replied, “Oh! What are we eating for dinner? Are we ordering in or are you making dinner for us? What time do you finish work?”

The bodyguard said, “I get off work when your mom or uncle Mike gets home. If you'd like, I can cook you a meal.”

Layla muttered, “Then, do we have to go to the supermarket to get groceries? If you make meals for us, does my mom have to pay you double? But, if your cooking is bad, then does she not pay you double?”

The bodyguard laughed. “Your mom pays me enough for me to cook ten meals a day for you two!”

Then, the bodyguard brought the two children to the supermarket.

At seven in the evening, the bodyguard received a call from Mike. Mike asked about the kids before saying, “I might be home late tonight. The kids go to bed at nine. If Avery and I are not back by then, you can end work.”

Mike could not locate Avery! He had gone to look for her so that they might go home together, but she was not in her office.

He had tried calling her, but she did not pick up. After a while, he tried calling her again, but she had turned her phone off!

Mike was so furious he wanted to swear! Elliot must have taken her away because Mike could not get to him either!

Mike was driving to Elliot's mansion. He had his bluetooth earpiece on. "How could they blame Zoe's miscarriage on Avery? Avery isn't that type of person!" he grumbled to Chad who was on the other side of the call.

Chad said, "Mr. Foster did not come to work today. I have heard about Zoe's incident too, but I was not there. I can't say much about it. My advice to you is to not get too angry about it. They are adults; they will surely solve the matter properly."

"How funny! Avery might be an adult, but I can't be so sure about your boss!" Mike said

sarcastically. "If he had any brains, he should not have suspected Avery! He called Avery in the afternoon and threatened her. I was next to Avery. I heard everything! If anything were to happen to Avery, I will not let him go easily!"

Chad was infuriated by Mike's threats. "How are you planning to deal with Mr. Foster?"

"I'll expose him! I have tons of dirt on him!"

“You’re nuts! If you dare to expose him, he will send you to prison!” Chad pushed his glasses higher up his nose. “Don’t be reckless. Let me make some calls to see if anyone knows where he is.”

Avery was at a hotel. She was staring at the man in front of her with confusion. Elliot had called her out here because he wanted to solve the problem. So, she had come here.

She never thought that he would take her to a hotel after she had met him.

“Elliot, how are you planning to solve the problem?” Avery asked him sternly. She had asked him this after he had taken her phone from her.

“Let’s have some food first.” He picked up the menu in the room and started ordering.

Avery looked at the luxurious presidential suite. She had a vague feeling that things were becoming strange.

She strode over to the exit and opened the door. Outside, two bodyguards were looking at her with dark expressions.

She gasped, took a step back, and shut the door!

“Elliot, are you imprisoning me?” She walked over to him, snatched the menu away, and threw it on the floor! Elliot looked at her coldly. “You killed my child, you will give me one in return!”

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Avery thought she had misheard him. A child is not a product, how could she give him one in return ?

Looking at the confusion on her face, he said calmly, “You will use your womb to give me another one. I don’t care if the child is dead or alive, just so long as it’s mine!”

Avery shuddered. She yelled hysterically, “Elliot! Have you gone nuts!”

When she had been pregnant with his children, he had gotten his bodyguards to drag her to an abortion clinic! Had he forgotten about it?!

Now, he was forcing her to bear him a child! What was he treating her as? A toy?

Forcing her to get pregnant whenever he wanted, forcing her to have an abortion whenever he did not want a child?

“Hehe!

“Yes! I am nuts!” His eyes reddened with hatred. “Avery, you’re the one who drove me crazy! You and your lies! You kept driving me to the edge, and my patience has its limits!”

Avery was so intimidated by how terrifying he was behaving that she did not dare make a sound.

She retreated and finally fell to the sofa.

“Avery, I will no longer show you mercy! You have made a mistake, so you must accept the consequences! I don’t care if you conceive a stillborn!” he said coldly. “From today onward, you will appear

whenever I need you. You will do so until you are pregnant with my child!”

Elliot towered over Avery, looking down on her, backing her to a corner.

Avery gripped the sofa's sheets tightly. Her chest heaving quickly. The thought of a child being born, and how coldly he would treat it made Avery's heart lurch, so she fought back. “No! Go and find another woman!”

“This is not up to you! This time, even if you run to the ends of the world, I will find you and take you!” Elliot looked at her coldly and said frigidly, “If you want freedom, you either die or you give me a child! Don't think you can use death as an escape unless you are taking your kids with you. If you die, your kids will pay the price!”

Avery was speechless.

His cool fingers unbuttoned her buttons one by one. He completely got rid of her dignity!

Mike parked the car outside the Foster mansion and explained his reason for coming to the guard on duty.

“I'm a Mike a good friend of Mr. Foster. He asked me here for a drink.” Mike thought it was best to get in first before playing things by ear.

Mike came over once, and the guard still remembered him. He was not a friend of his boss. He was Avery's friend.

“Mr. Foster is not home. Come back when he's here!” The guard stopped him.

“Oh, do you know when he is coming back?”

“I don’t know.”

“Oh, then, is Shea home? Shea and I are friends too.” Mike’s mind was spinning. Then, he yelled at the mansion, “Shea! Come open the door! It’s Mike! Hayden and Layla asked me to come and look for you!”

Hearing Mike’s yells, Mrs. Cooper walked out.

“Mrs. Cooper! Is Shea home? Get her to open the door for me!” Mike craned his head and yelled at Mrs. Cooper, who was in the courtyard.

A moment later, Mrs. Cooper brought Shea out.

When Shea saw Mike, she immediately walked to the entrance and opened the door for him.

In this house, after Elliot, Shea was the most powerful. The bodyguard did not dare offend Shea.

“Shea! Avery has gone missing! I suspect that Elliot has taken her away!” Mike grabbed Shea’s hand and asked for her help. “If I can’t contact Avery, will you follow me home? I’ll exchange Avery for you. Please, come with me?”

Shea nodded, barely giving it any thought. Mike thought that he was a complete genius! This method was brilliant!

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Mike told his brilliant idea to Chad.

Chad said, “Mr. Foster will not be threatened. Shea’s nanny and bodyguard will always follow her. Taking her to Avery’s house is just a change of living accommodations.”

Mike was baffled.

Chad continued, “Mr. Foster will not harm Avery. I can guarantee you that.”

Mike said, “How are you going to guarantee that?”

“If you don’t believe me, fine! I’m at the hospital seeing Zoe now. She has not come around yet.”

Mike’s anxiety lessened slightly. “What’s going on with her now?”

“She has been unconscious since the blood transfusion.”

“Oh, Avery said that she did not push Zoe. What do you think Zoe is thinking?” Mike wondered. “Is the child in her not Elliot’s?”

“Of course, you’re siding with Avery. It’s hard to say what the truth is,” Chad said objectively.

Mike chuckled. “I think the child in her is not Elliot’s. If the child was Elliot’s, she would have fought with all her might. She would not have fallen with a single push. You should get Elliot to do a paternity test.”

“No can do. Zoe’s father took the child away at the hospital.”

“Hahaha!”

“Stop laughing. Zoe’s life is still hanging by the thread. No matter who the child belongs to, it doesn’t matter,” Chad said. “After all, the child is dead.”

“What do you mean it doesn’t matter? Avery is being wrongfully blamed!” Mike said angrily.

“Don’t be such a pessimist. Mr. Foster never wanted the child. Now that the child is gone, perhaps he might even thank Avery!” Chad said.

“Avery is not home right now, aren’t you going to look after the kids?”

“We hired a bodyguard.”

“Oh, then you just wait at Mr. Foster’s place then! I’ve already contacted everyone. No one knows where he is either.”

Mike furrowed his brows in worry.

“By the way, I heard a piece of news today.” Before Chad hung up, he suddenly remembered something. “Wanda sold off her cosmetics company. The one abroad. She cashed it for four

hundred and fifty million. It looks like she is preparing to return to the country.”

“Oh, that witch! Once she returns, I’ll make sure her life is hell!”

“Don’t underestimate her. Wanda is business savvy. If she has decided to return, she must have a plan. You have to remind Avery to be careful,” Chad said, then he switched topics. “I think you should still go back home! It’s pointless for you to wait at Mr. Foster’s place.”

“You only know how to protect your boss!” Mike said in annoyance and hung up.

Avery was at the hotel, and she thought that she was going to die.

What was worse than hunger was how rough Elliot was with her. He seemed to have an

abundance of energy when it came to torturing her.

At two in the morning, there was a knock on the door. Elliot stopped what he was doing. Avery pulled the covers over her body.

Elliot put on a robe and walked to the door.

“Mr. Foster, Miss Sanford has come around. She’s asking to see you,” the bodyguard said.

Elliot turned around and looked at the messy bed. “All of you stay here. Don’t let her escape.”

“Yes, sir!”

Avery’s eyes reddened. She was completely infuriated. He had already spent the night with her! Why not let her go?

“Elliot! What makes you think you can keep me here?!” She wrapped the sheets around herself, dragged her sore body out of bed, and shouted at Elliot.

Elliot walked over to her, picked her up, and placed her back on the bed.

His unique scent wafted across her. “I’ll let you go after twenty-four hours. What if you take contraceptives? Then, all my efforts tonight will go to waste?”

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Avery grabbed Elliot by his robe and looked at him coldly with reddened eyes. “Whether I decide to take contraceptives or not is my right! Don’t push it! If you do, you’ll get nothing!”

Her shrill voice pierced through the dark.

His sexy Adam’s apple bobbed.

“Give me my phone!” Avery looked at his long neck. If he was not going to comply, she was going to bite him!

“Avery, you better heed my words.” Elliot’s eyes darkened. He said hoarsely, “If you dare to take any contraceptive pills, we’ll sleep be sleeping together forever!”

He then returned her phone. Once Avery was in possession of her phone, she immediately jumped off the bed. She picked her clothes up and quickly put them on.

Before he left, she bolted the door!

It was half-past two in the morning, and there were not many cars on the road. The night breeze took her exhaustion away.

Avery turned on her phone. There were dozens of missed calls, and all of them were from Mike. She wanted to return his calls, but how was she going to explain things when she returned home?

The incident that had taken place last night was too absurd. When she had thought about it, she felt rather the entire thing was rather surreal.

Elliot was in Zoe's ward at three in the morning. When Zoe saw him, she began to cry.

Elliot took a piece of tissue and wiped her tears off her face.

“Zoe, stop crying.”

“Our child... is gone. I'm... So... sad. It's all my fault. I... didn't protect him well...” Zoe was sobbing hard. If she kept it up she might suffocate.

“You'll still have children in the future,” Elliot comforted her. “You need to rest.”

Zoe looked at him with teary eyes. “But I can never have any more children! Elliot, our child died so horribly! He was almost a fully formed baby!”

“I know.”

“It's Avery,”

“Why did you want to meet Avery?” Elliot interrupted her. “You got my mother to call her over. Was it necessary to get her to come to the house?”

Zoe's tears fell harder. "I regret it, Elliot! I should not have been so reckless! You canceled our engagement the day before You said you loved her, and I lost it. I decided to take myself out of the picture, but I wanted to see her and settle things between us. I hoped that after you two got together, she would still accept our child. The child is innocent—".

Elliot looked at Zoe's aggrieved face. He asked, "So she pushed you?"

Zoe took a deep breath. "Maybe seeing our child provoked her? She probably still loves you, so she could not bear seeing our child. I never thought that she could do such evil —"

Elliot's expressions darkened instantly. If what Zoe said was true, then Avery was indeed vile.

"Now, every time I close my eyes, I see our child covered in blood, crying terribly. He keeps calling to me, asking me to help him—"

"Zoe! Stop talking!" Elliot interrupted her. "The child is dead. You're in pain now. It's pointless."

"Elliot, is our child going to just die for nothing?" Zoe sobbed and said softly.

"I'll look for Avery! You just get better!"

"Okay, I'm relieved to hear that!" Zoe took a deep breath. "I'm sorry for calling you over so

late..."

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“It’s fine.” Elliot looked at her pale face. He felt a little pity for her.  
“Rest well. I’ll visit you tomorrow.”

“Okay.”

Coming out of the hospital, Elliot asked the bodyguard, “Where did the dead baby go?”

“Zoe’s father took the baby to the crematorium to be cremated.”

Elliot furrowed his brows. He had wanted a paternity test to be done, but that was impossible now.

The bodyguard continued, “Mr. Sanford was extremely agitated. I wanted to help him, but he thought I wanted to take the child away from him. He began to fight me

I wanted to help him on the way. He thought that I wanted to take the child away from him. He fought me.”

Elliot’s eyes darkened. He got in the car.

The next morning, the family doctor received a call and rushed to Elliot’s mansion.

Elliot had not slept the entire night. His eyes were red. He looked a little terrifying.

“Mr. Foster, I heard that Miss Sanford had a miscarriage,” The doctor tried comforting him,” You and Miss Sanford are still young. There are still plenty of chances in the future.”

“I did not ask you here for this.” Elliot drank some coffee. “The person who operated on Eric Santos was Avery.”

The doctor was stunned. “You mean your ex-wife, Miss Tate?”

“Yes. What do you think about that?”

The doctor adjusted his glasses. “Although I knew that Miss Tate was a pupil of Professor Hough, I still find it hard to believe. After all, brain surgery is no small matter.”

“How can I find out what she is truly capable of?” Elliot asked.

The doctor shook his head. “If you did not see her perform the surgery and she does not say anything, I don’t think you will truly know what she is capable of.”

“Eric said that Professor Hough devised the treatment. If you were given the treatment plan, would you dare perform such a complicated surgery on any of your patients?”

The doctor was stumped by Elliot’s questions. “Mr. Foster, why don’t you ask her?”

Elliot furrowed his brows. “If I could get an answer from her, why would I be talking to you?”

“Oh, if Professor Hough had given me the treatment plan, I would perform the operation, but I can’t guarantee that it would be a success.”

The doctor had answered Elliot’s question and then added, “Miss Tate succeeded. It proves that she has outstanding skills. I just don’t know who is better: Miss Tate or Miss Sanford.”

Elliot lowered his gaze. “Even if her skills are great, she would not cure Shea.”

The doctor said, “In my opinion, Miss Sanford has sufficient skills, so if Miss Tate is unwilling to help you, you can continue seeking help from Miss Sanford.”

Elliot nodded.

“The child. If it has been cremated, can a paternity test still be done?” asked Elliot.

The doctor shook his head. “Were you planning to conduct a paternity test on Miss Sanford’s child? Once the child has been cremated, you won’t be able to get any samples. Naturally, a paternity test will no longer be possible. Are there any other samples that you can get?”

“The incident happened too suddenly. By the time I got to the hospital, her father had already taken the child.”

“Then, there is no other way. However, why do you suspect Miss Sanford?”

“I only did it with her once. I was drunk. Till now, I can’t be sure the woman I had slept with that night was truly her.”

The doctor was dumbfounded. “Theoretically speaking, the chances of getting pregnant after sex once is very low. Even if the woman was ovulating, it might not be successful. Did you not investigate it at that time?”

“I have asked Avery. She said that she had not slept with me.” The reason Elliot brought up the past was because he suspected Avery. “I realized that nothing she had ever told me was the truth.”

The doctor replied, “Miss Tate does not seem like that type of person.”

“She might not be to others, but to me, she’s a liar.”

“Why?”

“If I knew why I wouldn’t be so troubled.” Elliot could not sleep the entire night. What Avery had said to him kept him awake.

Whether it was the truth, or whether it was a lie, he could not tell.

“Have you seen her son?” Elliot swallowed. “The boy looks a little like me. She said that she adopted him. If she hates me so much, why would she adopt a child that looks like me?”

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“Mr. Foster, I remember that you had your bodyguard send Miss Tate to the abortion clinic,” the family doctor said.

“Yeah, the bodyguard said that he had sent her into the operation room himself.” Elliot had even gone to check with the bodyguard a while ago. “He said that the doctor had even told him what to take note of after the completion of the surgery.”

“Then the child is probably gone,” the family doctor said. “Perhaps the reason the adopted child looks like you could be her way of honoring her lost child.”

“Is that why Avery hates me so much?” Elliot thought.

Meanwhile, in the master bedroom of Starry River Villa, Mike and the two children stared intently at Avery, who was sleeping on the bed.

Mike had called her at one in the morning, but she had never picked up. He was surprised that she had gone home, but he did not know when she had gone home.

“Are there mosquitoes at home?” Layla asked sweetly.

Mike looked around the room. “No! Did mosquitoes bite you?”

“Mosquitoes bit Mom!” Her eyes were wide when she stared at Avery’s neck. “Look, the mosquitoes left a big mark on Mom!”

Mike’s gaze followed the direction in which Layla was pointing.

“That’s... Based on my experience as an adult, I don’t think mosquitos did that. That mark was left after a certain unspeakable act was committed,” thought Hayden.

“Alright, let her rest.” Mike picked up both-one in each arm- and carried them out of the room.”Let’s go get breakfast, and I’ll take you somewhere to play.”

“I want to stay home and wait for Mom to wake up,” Layla pouted.

“It’s been so long since I played with Mom!”

Hayden nodded in agreement.

“Alright, then stay home after breakfast,” Mike yawned. “I might need to work overtime in the office today... But I will go after your mom wakes up.”

“Why didn’t Mom come home last night?” Hayden asked.

“That was thanks to Elliot!” Mike thought of the red marks on Avery’s neck, and he grew even more certain that she had gone missing because of Elliot. “Zoe had a miscarriage. Do you know what that word means?”

Hayden nodded, and Layla shook her head.

“Zoe was pregnant with Elliot’s child, right? That child passed away last night. Zoe insists that it was your mom who had pushed her, causing her to lose the baby,” explained Mike.

Hayden’s eyes shone coldly as he thought to himself, “That horrible woman, Zoe! How dare she frame my mom! I have to teach her a lesson!”

Layla frowned as she crushed the hamburger in her hands angrily. “My mom wouldn’t do something like that!”

“Of course not! But Zoe insists that it was her, so that dirtbag Elliot went looking for trouble last night.” Mike took a bite of the bread and continued, “I think I should get your mom a bodyguard.”

“Just give our bodyguard to Mom,” Hayden said.

“I’ll just hire a new bodyguard,” Mike said. “The both of you shouldn’t worry about such things. I will handle it!”

“Do it now, Uncle Mike,” Layla said hastily, “I don’t want that dirtbag to bully Mom!”

“Go now!” Hayden agreed.

“Alright, alright!” Mike picked up his glass of milk and stood up from his chair. “I will go now! Stay home and don’t run off anywhere!”

After Mike left, Layla went to Avery’s room with her toys. She fully intended to remain there so that she would be the first thing her mother saw when she woke up.

Hayden returned to the children’s room and booted up his laptop.

He had decided to teach Zoe a lesson.

An hour later, a black luxury car stopped outside the mansion and the doorbell rang. Both Hayden and Layla heard it and ran out.

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Hayden immediately recognized the woman and said, “That’s dirtbag dad’s mom!”

“Oh,” Layla said, “so our grandma!”

“Don’t call her grandma!” corrected Hayden. “She is probably here to confront Mom!”

“Hmph! We can’t let her bully Mom! Let’s chase her away!”

Hayden hurried inside to look for his drone, and Layla followed him closely.

Rosalie stood outside the door with a frown. She was waiting for Avery to open it.

She had not slept the entire night. She simply could not find peace, so she had come here to confront Avery.

Suddenly, she heard the sound of an engine, and it seemed to be coming from above her. When she looked up, she saw a drone hovering above her.

Just as she was beginning to wonder why there was a drone above her, red liquid started pouring out of it. When the liquid splattered onto her exquisite leather jacket, she screamed and ran for her car.

Avery was woken up by the scream. She immediately got out of bed and walked toward the window to look outside. When she saw what happened, she darted out of the room.

Rosalie was hiding out in her car, and her eyes were red with anger.

The nanny helped her out of her jacket and took out a piece of wet tissue and proceeded to help get the red liquid off Rosalie’s face.

“Madame, I think this is paint,” the nanny said.

“How barbaric!” said Rosalie through gritted teeth, “I didn’t believe that she would do something like that to Zoe, but now I do!”

Shortly after, the door to the mansion swung open and Avery, dressed in her pajamas, hurried out.

She walked toward the black car, and when Rosalie saw her, she immediately exited the car with the help of the nanny.

“Avery Tate!” Flustered, Rosalie shouted, “Look at what you’ve done!”

Both Hayden and Layla ran out at the sound of her shouting. Though Avery had ordered them to stay inside the house, they could not stand idly by while someone abused their mother.

“That had got nothing to do with Mom! My brother and I did it!” Layla shouted.

Rosalie had heard that Avery had two children, but she was still shocked when she finally saw them.

“You are not welcomed here! We can do whatever we want in our house! You wouldn’t have gotten paint all over yourself if you hadn’t come here!” Layla glared at Rosalie.

Rosalie gasped as she looked at Layla’s face. Layla greatly resembled Avery. “I am looking for your mom! How can you be so rude?”

“I don’t want you to find my mom!” Layla lifted her chin and said, “Go away! If you don’t, I will get my brother to chase you away with his drone!”

Rosalie's expression darkened as she turned to look at Hayden who was standing beside Layla. When she saw Hayden's face, she instantly felt as though she was being strangled.

“That child looks so much like Elliot!” she thought.

Avery took the children's hands in hers and quickly dragged them into the house. Once they were inside, Avery rushed out and said to Rosalie, “If you are here for what happened to Zoe, I can only tell you that I am not guilty; also, your son has already approached me, so this is a matter that you need not concern yourself with!”

“Avery, your son- Who's the father of your son?” Rosalie asked in a trembling voice.

“I adopted him from an orphanage,” Avery responded coldly as she glanced at the red paint on Rosalie. “My kids have been rude, and I apologize on their behalf.”

As though she had not heard a thing, Rosalie grabbed the nanny's arm and strode back to the car. Once she was inside the car, she mumbled, “Did you see her son? He looks exactly like Elliot, when he was little.” “Do you suspect that he might be Elliot's son?” The nanny asked.

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Chapter 358 Rosalie's expression darkened. “They can't look that similar if they are not related. I have a feeling that that child is my grandson! Elliot was exactly like that when he was little. He always looked at others coldly as well, and those eyes, they look so similar to my own!”

“But Young Master Elliot doesn’t seem to be suspicious about the child’s background,” the nanny said.

“Elliot doesn’t know himself as well as I do. He has probably forgotten what he looked like as a child.”

“That’s true. So what do you plan to do?”

Rosalie’s eyes shone as she said, “I need to find out if Elliot fathered the boy, and for that, I need to do a DNA test.”

“Well... you need the boy’s hair or blood for a DNA test though...”

“When there’s a will, there’s a way.” Rosalie was confident. “I will tell Elliot once I have the results.”

Zoe was in the hospital browsing through the news on her phone.

Having a miscarriage meant that she had to remain in the hospital under observation for a few days.

Elliot had come to visit her earlier that morning, but within ten minutes of him entering the room, he received a call and left.

Without the child in her belly, Rosalie too started paying Zoe less attention.

Zoe felt slightly upset, but she felt much better when she saw the one hundred and fifty-five million Elliot had transferred to her account.

Money might not buy her everything, but it made her happy.

She accepted the money from Elliot. Naturally, she would continue trying to find a cure for Shea. She knew that Elliot would continue treating her well if there was an improvement in Shea's condition.

For now, Elliot still needed her and it would take more than one hundred and fifty-five million to satisfy her.

Suddenly, she received a message.

Zoe casually tapped on it. A video popped up.

Her eyes widened instantly at how familiar the people in the video looked.

“Wait! Isn't that me? That man... It's Cole!” she thought and gasped.

It was the video of the time she had spent the night with Cole. The two of them had searched the entire room, but had not found any cameras at the time. This video revealed everything that had happened on the bed. Every minute detail was laid bare to the viewer.

Zoe's face flushed. She could barely hold onto the phone.

“Who is it? Who sent this?” she thought frantically.

She tapped on the message to check, but the sender column was blank.

“What's going on?!” she wondered.

Her heart sank, and she immediately typed her reply.

(Who are you? Are you trying to blackmail me into paying for this video? Haha! Dream on! I've broken up with Elliot, so you can't threaten me with this!)

Before sending it, she breathed heavily and deleted what she had typed.

Though Elliot had broken up with her, he would surely despise her if the video was to come to light.

She still wanted to get more money from him.

After hesitating for a while, she typed, (I don't know who you are, but Elliot and I have broken up. He has never loved me, and I've completely given up on him.)

She had stared at her thoughtfully composed message before she deleted it again.

In the end, she had sent over a message that said, (How much do you want? Just name your price!)

Though they had broken up, Zoe was certain that her reputation would be ruined if the video got out. She had already become the laughing stock amongst everyone she knew after Elliot had canceled their engagement. If the video was released to the public, people would assume that Elliot had ditched her because she had cheated on him. Meanwhile, other things were going on at Starry River Villa.

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Hayden began to wonder if he should scam Zoe out of all her money when he received her message.

Zoe had broken up with Elliot and had lost her child, so the video would not hurt Elliot.

“How can you two do that?” Avery took a sip of water and went to the children’s room to lecture them. “No matter the grudge that she and I hold against each other, she is in her seventies. What would have happened had she gotten startled and fallen sick?”

Layla batted her eyelashes innocently. “You can cure her if she falls sick, Mommy.”

“I am not a miracle-worker! I can’t cure all the illnesses in the world!”

“But she didn’t fall sick! She was yelling at you!” Layla muttered, “Mom, we can’t just let others bully you!”

Avery’s heart softened at her daughter’s words.

“They weren’t bullying me. I’m not that easy to bully,” she said in an attempt to reassure her children.

“But you didn’t come home last night... Hayden and I waited so long... Uncle Mike said that the dirtbag took you away...” Layla pouted and said, “When we grow up, we will take revenge for you!”

Avery was moved. She picked her daughter up and said softly, “I can protect myself. You and your brother only need to worry about growing up healthy and happy! I’ll take you out to play later, okay?”

“Yay! Mom, it’s been so long since you took us out to play!” Layla snuffled pathetically.

Meanwhile, Hayden had sent a reply to Zoe.

Zoe stared at the reply from the mysterious person and scowled.

“A thousand Beta Coins? What is a Beta Coin?” Confused, she did an online search.

Beta Coin was a type of international virtual currency.

She had to admit that this mysterious person was smart. Zoe could make a police report if the blackmailer were to demand money. However, she would not have done that as it would affect her reputation.

She went on to research what the currency was valued at, and she gasped.

The price of one Beta Coin was twenty thousand dollars, so a thousand Beta Coins would cost her twenty million.

Zoe’s heart ached. Though Elliot had paid her one hundred and fifty-five million, that was her hard-earned money, and having to pay a person twenty million for a video felt akin to slicing her flesh off.

After struggling for a while, she bought a thousand Beta Coins and transferred them to the blackmailer’s account.

Hayden immediately shut his laptop as soon as he received the money.

“Hayden, it’s going to be you and your sister’s birthday soon, let me take you two out to buy some new clothes, okay?” Avery got changed and took the children with her.

The bodyguard waited outside by the door.

“Mom, this uncle cooks really well.” When Layla spotted the bodyguard, she immediately turned to her mother and said, “He cooked for us last night, and we ate it all!”

Avery looked over at the bodyguard and said, “Good work!”

“It’s nothing,” the bodyguard said shyly.

Once the car was outside, Avery turned on her phone and saw a photo that Tammy, who was getting her nails done, had sent her.

“Avery! I found a shop that does super pretty nails! Do you want to come over? Bring the kids too! I have an important announcement to make!”

Avery looked at the message from her best friend with a smile, knowing in her heart what Tammy meant by ‘important announcement’.

“Let’s go find Aunt Tammy, shall we?” Avery suggested to the children.

“Sure! I like Aunt Tammy!” Layla agreed cheerfully.

Hayden, on the other hand, simply agreed in silence.

Half an hour later, Avery arrived at the nail salon that Tammy mentioned with Layla and Hayden.

## **When His Eyes Opened Chapter 360**

Chapter 360 The nail salon was located inside a luxury brand boutique, Avery had only known that it was a brand that sold handbags and

clothing, and it was amazing to see that the company had entered into the nail salon business.

“Avery! Jun and I are going to get married in May!” exclaimed Tammy. “And you are going to be my maid of honor! Your two kids will be my ring bearer!”

“My kids can be your ring bearer,” Avery said with resignation, “but forget about me being your maid of honor... You should find someone else!”

She was divorced with children. Therefore, technically she could not be someone’s maid of honor.

“I’ve already talked to my parents and Jun! They all say it’s okay.” Tammy dragged Avery and made her sit next to her. “Let’s get matching nails!”

“Matching nails are fine, but I really can’t be your maid of honor. Unlike me, I want you and Jun to be happy, Tammy,” said Avery as she lowered her gaze. “I am as happy as I can be right now, but I want you to be even happier.”

The smile on Tammy’s face froze. Moved, she said, “It’s up to you, Avery, but I believe that you will find someone better in the future, and you are going to be super-duper happy.”

Avery nodded and looked at Tammy’s nails. “Are you almost done? How long have you been here?”

“I’ve been here since morning. I’ve picked out quite a few designs so it will take a little longer than usual, but the end result is pretty decent.” Tammy studied her nails in satisfaction.

“I will just go with plain ones. I came with my kids, and they might get bored if it takes too long.” Avery glanced at Layla and Hayden.

“Mom, I want pretty nails too.” Layla stared at the diverse patterns on display with unblinking eyes.

“You are still too young. You need to wait until you grow up.”

“Mom, we won’t be bored.” Hayden pulled Layla back and said, “You can get the same thing as Aunt Tammy.”

Tammy beamed at him and said, “Hayden, do you think that my nails are pretty too?”

Hayden nodded.

“Look at what a great child your son is! Just get the same as me. I’ll be done soon, so if they get bored, I can take them out to play.”

So that Avery might enjoy getting her nails done, Tammy took the two children out after she was done.

Tammy had been a playful person to begin with, and, with the two children by her side, she had completely lost control after exiting the salon. She took them to shop for clothes, and they went for desserts afterward. Finally, she took them to a theme park.

When Avery was done with her nails, she called Tammy to ask them where they were. When Tammy told her the address, she gasped and said, “Why did you go so far, Tammy? You are almost half a city away! I might as well just go home and sleep.”

If she went there, it would be dark before she even reached them.

Tammy burst out laughing. “Go back and sleep, then! Layla said Elliot kidnapped you last night, and you didn’t come home till late last night, is that true?”

Avery did not expect Layla to tell Tammy everything. “He didn’t kidnap me... I went there myself,” she said shyly.

“Oh... Did he come looking for you because Zoe had a miscarriage? That dirtbag! Just block him and ignore him from now on!” Tammy said in frustration.

“Even if I blocked his number, he knows where I live. Running away won’t solve anything.”

“That’s true, but what’s the point of him looking for you? You can’t possibly have shoved Zoe, and even if you did, she had to be the one who started it. It’s not like you can give him back his child,” Tammy said.

Avery stepped out of the nail salon with her phone in hand and walked past an area displaying branded luxury bags. She looked up and spotted a familiar figure in the distance.

It was someone she could never forget. The only goal she had left unfulfilled was to watch that she devil die.

Perhaps she was staring too hard, but Wanda had noticed her almost immediately. After spotting Avery, her lips curled into a sarcastic sneer. Next to Wanda was a man who was helping her carry