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Chapter 96 Out of Sight, Out of Mind

"I'm fine, Andrew. Thanks!" Tessa expressed her gratitude and slowly sat up straight in bed.

At the same time, Gregory quickly came closer and gazed at her in a concerned manner with his watery eyes. "Are you alright, Miss Pretty Lady? Do you still feel unwell?"

Tessa smiled and comforted the boy. "I feel a lot better now. Although I'm still a little dizzy, I think it'll go away in a while. Thanks for asking, Sweetheart."

"I'm glad you're fine. I don't want you to fall sick, Miss Pretty Lady." Greg heaved a sigh of relief upon hearing Tessa's words.

Tessa's heart was melted by Gregory's thoughtfulness. A few moments later, she turned her attention to Nicholas and apologetically said, "I'm sorry that I couldn't conduct my classes with Greg today due to my condition, President Sawyer."

Nicholas didn't take it to heart and calmly said, "It's okay. Just remember not to swim when it's late at night. After all, you know your own body better than anyone else."

Tessa was reminded of what happened the night before and nodded awkwardly with her blushed cheeks. "Sure."

Nicholas's eyes darkened because he was soon reminded of the call that Tessa's grandmother had made earlier. After a brief hesitation, he decided to go ahead and tell her about it. "Your grandmother called you a number of times this morning and demanded that you go back, saying she has something to speak to you about."

Tessa was stunned when he heard Nicholas's words. Grandmother? Is he talking about the old lady from the Reinharts? At the thought of Amber, Tessa could be seen with her eyes turning indifferent, her voice sounding as cold as ice. "Alright, I heard you."

Despite Tessa's affirmative response, it was clear that she was reluctant to return home. Deep down, she was unhappy with Amber, whom Nicholas was referring to as her grandmother.

That old lady is not my grandma! She is just some old hag who threw a weight around and treated me and my brother like nothing. Thanks to her, my mother lost her place in the Reinhart Family. What was worse was that she encouraged my father to cheat on my mother by feeding him lies that my brother and I were not his children. Because of that, my father has always hated me and Timothy.

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From the moment Tessa was cast away from the Reinhart Family, she only considered her brother as the only family member she ever had and swore to never cross paths with the Reinharts ever again, let alone reconcile with them.

On the other hand, Nicholas could tell the indifference in Tessa's eyes but knew that she was still wise enough not to confront the Reinharts alone, so he said nothing about what he saw. Instead, he said, "Alright, now that you're feeling better, I suppose it is time for us to have lunch together. Because of you, Greg got so worried that he didn't even take breakfast. So, you must take care of yourself, in order not to worry him."

As soon as Tessa heard what Nicholas said, her glacial eyes were filled with warmth once again. She then gazed at Gregory and spoke with a gentle voice. "Sweetheart, that's very kind of you. I love you so much! I promise I'll take my medication on time and make sure not to worry you, okay?"

"That's awesome! Alright, I love you too, Miss Pretty Lady!" Gregory nodded rapidly, his eyes lighting up with exhilaration.

After lunch, Tessa seemed more energized upon eating. Since she had been sleeping the whole morning, she decided not to sleep anymore but instead spent her time playing lego with Gregory in the games' room.

In the meantime, Nicholas went out and headed to his office, thinking Tessa should be fine from that moment on. Later that afternoon, Tessa's phone was bombarded with incoming phone calls from none other than Amber once again.

In fact, when Amber returned to the Reinhart Residence earlier that morning, she ran into Sophia, who exaggerated the matter about Silas and Lauren's arrest and blamed it all on Tessa.

Upon hearing the news, Amber was taken over by her anger as she condemned Tessa for putting her only son through so much suffering. How could Tessa do something like this to her father?! Where is her sense of morality and decency? It was then that Amber reached for her phone and gave Tessa a call, in order to summon the latter and give her a piece of her mind.

Nevertheless, Amber's attempt to summon Tessa was thwarted by Nicholas, who brushed off her with an excuse that she was at work. When it was finally the afternoon, Amber's impatience made her restless and prompted her to make the call again. Meanwhile, Tessa eventually grew so annoyed that she went ahead and blacklisted Amber's number after several irritating phone calls. Out of sight, out of mind!

On the other hand, Tessa's action didn't sit well with Amber, who sat on the couch with a twisted facial expression. She then cursed Tessa with a sarcastic tone. "You b*tch! How dare you just block my contact like that! Great! You're starting to show me your backbone now!"

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Chapter 97 Expect the Unexpected

Noticing her grandmother's frustration, Sophia quickly served Amber a cup of tea and instilled hatred in her. "Calm down, Grandma. Tessa had it all planned when she sent Dad to jail, so it's pretty obvious that she doesn't want to save him, but I... I just feel sorry for the fact his daughter is so heartless and wicked. Thus, you must teach Tessa a lesson!"

When Amber heard what Sophia said, she grew even angrier. "Of course, I'm going to lecture her! That lady has to be humbled and taught a lesson the hard way! When I find her, I'll be sure to rough her up!"

Sophia was happy at the sight of the old lady's reaction but was aware that Nicholas could have Tessa's back. Thus, she suggested an approach to Amber.

"But we can't find Tessa as long as she doesn't show up, Grandma. So, why don't we go to the school and find Timothy instead?" A sinister look flashed across her eyes. "That guy is probably studying right now, so he can't be going anywhere else. If we have him with us, Tessa will surely have no choice but to come and meet us."

Upon hearing that, Amber stood up and urged Sophia to come with her. "What're we waiting for, then? Let's go! We're going to get that bast*rd from the school now!"

Sophia shook her head rapidly and immediately left home with Amber. Soon, they both arrived at Southend University, whereupon Sophia took her grandmother straight into the institute to look for Timothy.

However, they were stopped by the security guard, who questioned their purpose of visit. "Excuse me, what're you two doing here? No outsiders should be allowed to enter the school. Can't you see the signboard right here?"

Frustrated with the hindrance, Amber lost her temper and berated the guard. "I'm a parent of a student who studies here, so why can't I go in?"

The old lady's tone sounded like she was there to stir up trouble with her granddaughter to the security guard, but instead of picking on them, he patiently explained the proper registration procedures to them. "Well, if you're a parent, you should probably know the school rules. You need to enter from the front gate and register in the office before you're given permission to enter."

While Amber was about to lose her temper out of desperation, Sophia restrained her and tried to charm the guard with a smile that she narcissistically thought was pretty.

"Sir, we're Timothy's family. Today, his grandmother has come a long way to see him, and it wasn't easy for an old lady to go through all the hassle and trouble to travel all the way here. So, can't you just let us in?"

The security guard shook his head adamantly. "You could give him a call and tell him to come out, but we can't let you in. I hope you can understand that."

"But..." Sophia frowned because she didn't have Timothy's number. Even if she did, she couldn't tell whether Timothy would block her number like Tessa did to Amber, which was why she was thinking of directly approaching him. Nonetheless, she didn't expect her plan to be thwarted by the annoying security guard, but just when she was about to talk him into changing his mind, she caught a glimpse of Timothy from the corner of her eye.

At that moment, Timothy was on his way to meet Nicholas along with his best friend, Henry. In fact, Nicholas had told his assistant to contact Timothy after lunch that he wanted to meet him at a cafe near his school.

After all, Timothy almost recovered from his illness, on top of the fact Nicholas's company was in search of a new project for more revenue. Most importantly, the annoying calls that Tessa's phone had received earlier that morning alerted Nicholas about the possibility that Timothy might become a target for the Reinharts. Thus, he quickly arranged a time to meet up with him but was unaware of Sophia and Amber's simultaneous actions as well.

On the other hand, Timothy was too caught up in his conversation with Henry and failed to notice the two women's presence.

At that moment, Henry agitatedly said, "If we can seal the deal later, our future is going to shine even brighter than the stars in the sky! Think about it. We're going to be dealing with President Sawyer, the big shot from the Sawyer Group! He has 80% of all the connections in Southend and is the richest man in our country. Besides, his company is even among the top 100 global enterprises and has businesses spread across every part of the world. Man! Even the thought of talking with the likes of him makes me feel super nervous!"

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Chapter 98 Amber's Outburst

Unlike Henry, Timothy appeared to behave more like a mature man. "Well, there is nothing to be nervous about, actually. If we can close the deal successfully, we're going to build our own company when we secure our capital. So, think about it. You're going to be a big shot too, someday. It's just that you're taking your first step to getting there."

Upon hearing that, Henry was amused by Timothy's reply. "That's some encouraging words. What a strong and positive mindset you have there!"

While Timothy chuckled in response, the two students continued to chat happily and walked toward the gate, where they were greeted by two unexpected figures that made the smile on Timothy's face disappear.

Sophia shouted, "Grandma, Timothy is right there!"

Amber looked in the direction Sophia told her to and saw Timothy. In that instant, she felt an overwhelming rage surging through as she approached the two young men intimidatingly and bellowed at them.

"Finally, you b*stard! Here you are!"

While Timothy reacted with a pair of glacial eyes, Henry frowned and asked with a soft voice, "Who is this? Why can't she talk nicely?"

Timothy didn't answer his friend's question, only staring at the two ladies with a nonchalant expression. "What are you both doing here?"

Amber's anger got the better of her, prompting her to lash out like a madwoman with a jarring screech.

“How dare you ask that question, b*stard?! You and your b*tch sister plotted against your father together and put him in jail, yet you’re asking me what we’re doing here?! Do you really think you can disrespect your elderly now just because you’re already a grown-up? I’m warning you now! Tell your sister, Tessa, to release your father at once!”

Despite her old age, Amber tried to dominate the encounter with her feisty nature. After a few harsh and cold reprimands, her voice drew everyone else’s attention around them.

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Nonetheless, Timothy wasn’t afraid of all the intimidating gazes. Instead, he chuckled and talked back. “Is there something you misunderstood, Grandma? Silas only had himself to blame for how he ended up, and he deserves it! Anyway, I think you have come to the wrong place if you want them to be released. Talk to the cops because talking to me isn’t going to change anything. I’m busy right now, so I don’t have time to play your game. If I were you, I would turn around and walk away before things turn ugly here!” Timothy ignored the ladies and turned around, leaving them behind.

Nonetheless, Timothy’s response instantly pissed Sophia off, urging her to start rebuking him as well. “Where is your conscience, Timothy?! It’s your father we’re talking about. How can you say something so heartless? Aren’t you afraid of karma at all?!”

Timothy felt as if he had just heard a joke upon listening to Sophia’s words, sniggering and replying to the latter sarcastically. “Karma?! You guys weren’t afraid of that when you did what you did, so why should I be?”

“How dare you, Timothy!” Sophia felt her rage surging through her.

However, Timothy eventually ran out of patience and barked coldly with a glacial expression on his face, “Sophia, I don’t have a father! My sister is the only family member I ever have, so stop trying to warm up to me like we’re a family! Because that disgusts me!”

“You! You son of a b*tch!” Amber’s wrath consumed her rationality as she squinted at Timothy. Then, she screamed at the top of her voice like a strangled hen.

“Ah! You wicked little b*stard! How dare you say something like this! If I had known that was how you’d behave, I would have strangled you to death right after you were born! I’m going to kill you right now, you motherf*cker!” The old lady charged at the unsuspecting security guard and snatched the baton from his belt when the latter was unaware of her intention. Then, she raised the baton in the air, ready to strike Timothy.

While the security guard, who was caught by surprise, was going to stop the old lady, Amber's arm was already swinging in mid-air. Despite her old age, she was still strong enough to generate a powerful swing that packed a punch. In the meantime, Timothy was shocked by the old lady's outburst and tried to dodge her attack, but he staggered and nearly fell down to the ground because of his impaired mobility.

Meanwhile, Henry didn't expect an outburst from an old lady at such an age. The next moment, he immediately stood in front of Timothy to protect him and angrily berated Amber.

"Stop! What's wrong with you, old lady?! Why are you getting physical here? Now, I don't want to put an old lady like you into trouble, so you'd better stop what you're doing, or I'm going to call the cops!"

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Chapter 99 A Heated Confrontation

Timothy was seen with an unhappy and sour look on his face. At that moment, they were surrounded by the bystanders around them. Due to Timothy's good looks and outstanding academic performance, he was easily recognized just when the atmosphere was filled with murmurs of gossip.

"Is there something wrong with this old lady? Why is she hitting my baby, Timothy?"

"Why is an old lady like her acting like this? What a feisty old hag!"

Despite the disapproving noises around her, Amber wasn't bothered by them at all. Instead, she held the baton tightly in her hand and yelled, "Quit hiding, Timothy! You're a b*stard born to be a liability to the Reinhart Family! You're a cheapskate, just like your mother and sister!"

How could you put my son in jail? If I don't beat the hell out of you, I'll be sorry to the Reinharts!" After finishing her sentence, the old lady tried charging at Timothy to continue her violent madness.

In that instant, the security guard quickly interfered and stopped Amber, reprimanding her with a loud voice. "What's wrong with you, old lady?! How could you try to hit our students for no good reason?! Are you out of your mind or what?!" He then snatched his baton from her and put it back into his sheath.

When Amber failed in her attempt to give Timothy a beating, she grew more frustrated and felt ashamed of herself for allowing the bystanders to witness everything. Then, she sat on the ground and started whining like a child. "Where is justice?! Is there really no justice in this world?! How could any son put his father behind bars and show his grandmother disrespect?! Yet all of you ignore his mistakes and point your fingers at me. Alas! After all those years we spent raising him up, this is how this ingrate repays us! He is an animal!" Crying and thumping her chest, the old lady sobbed in tears with sadness written all over her face.

However, Amber's words successfully created a misunderstanding by swaying everyone else into doubting Timothy's innocence, causing them to question his character. "Seriously? Is Timothy really that kind of person?"

"No way! Who would do such a thing to his own father?"

When Sophia saw that, she cunningly seized the opportunity and tried to make a mountain out of a molehill. "Ladies and gentlemen, your classmate, Timothy, is a crooked and wicked person despite his innocent appearance. If he could bear to put his father behind bars, what do you think someone of his character could be capable of in the future? So, is this the kind of person your school recruits?" Sophia's words were like a bucket of filthy water that was splashed on Timothy's head.

"Enough with your nonsense, Sophia!" Timothy angrily called out to Sophia with a resentful expression on his face.

In the meantime, Henry grew furious as well after hearing Sophia's words. "Watch your mouth, lady! The Reinharts are the ones without a sense of shame! Many years ago, you both abandoned Tessa and Timothy and left them to their fate, but now that Timothy seems useful to you, you want him back! Besides, you both were in the wrong in the first place for trying to kidnap Timothy the last time, yet here you are, trying to take advantage of him one

more time!” Henry’s voice was so loud that everyone could hear him, which quickly tipped the scale back to Timothy’s favor.

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“What?! How could they do this to my baby, Timothy?!”

“Oh, poor Timothy! He doesn’t deserve this, does he?”

“Where is their sense of shame? How could Timothy ever have someone so shameless in his family?”

Surprised by Henry’s quick wit, Amber lost her cool and flipped out in front of the outcry. “Shut up, everyone! What do you know? Look at your attitude when you’re talking to your elderly! How did people like you all manage to enter this school? I want to talk to your principal! I want to understand whether this is the best that Southend University can do in producing talents with this ‘quality!’”

As soon as everyone heard Amber, they immediately kept their mouths shut. While the security guard also furrowed his eyebrows, the old lady continued to threaten everyone else.

“I want to see your principal now. I want an answer by today, or I swear I’ll tell the reporters how terrible your university is!”

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Chapter 100 Family Feud

As one of the top-notch institutes in the country, Southend University couldn’t afford to allow its name to be stigmatized. Furthermore, the entire commotion that took place at the school gate created an opportunity for it to be caught on camera and uploaded onto the internet.

By then, the incident would inevitably take a toll on the school's reputation. Refusing to be responsible for that, the security guard immediately informed the principal before the few of them made their way to the office.

At that moment, Tessa was having a great time playing with Gregory in the manor when she suddenly received a call. "Hello, may I speak to Timothy Reinhart's guardian?" The caller's stern tone was heard as soon as the phone was answered.

Confused, Tessa instantly asked, "Yes, speaking. Who is on the line, please?"

"I'm the principal's secretary from Southend University. Timothy has been caught with inappropriate behavior on campus grounds, so we need his guardian, which is you, to come over. So, please come to the school as soon as possible." The call was hung up once the caller finished her sentence.

Inappropriate behavior on campus? Tessa knitted her eyebrows, finding it hard to believe her ears. After all, she had always known her brother as a smart and kind student and would never believe he would go around looking for trouble in school. Puzzled, she immediately rose from her seat and decided to leave the manor.

Meanwhile, Gregory noticed Tessa's worried look and asked in a concerned manner, "What happened, Miss Pretty Lady?"

"Nothing. I just have some important business to take care of. Just stay home and be a good boy, okay? I'll be back when I'm done." Tessa patiently hoaxed the boy.

Gregory heard the lady's words and asked, "But are you sure you're alright, Miss Pretty Lady? You're still sick."

"I'm fine. I can hang in there." Feeling touched by the little boy's thoughtfulness, Tessa ruffled his hair and told the butler to look after Gregory before leaving the manor. Half an hour later, Tessa arrived outside the principal's office at Southend University. She then opened the door and was greeted by her brother, Timothy, right away. "What happened, Timothy?" she asked earnestly.

"Tessa," Timothy called out to his sister with a gloomy face and turned his attention to the couch.

When Tessa followed Timothy's line of sight, she instantly saw Amber and Sophia, whose presence turned her face into a gloomy one. At that moment, she could tell what was going on by the looks of it.

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The principal sat behind his desk, asking Tessa the moment he saw her. "Are you Timothy's guardian?"

Tessa nodded and calmly answered, "Yes, I'm his sister."

The principal responded with a nod and went ahead to tell Tessa what had just happened. "I just came to understand the situation, which seemed like your family feud. At that time, when the heated confrontation in which Timothy was involved took place, many witnesses saw what happened. For that, it has surely taken a toll on the school's name. So, I suggest you settle your disputes at home instead of handling them publicly."

Tessa's face darkened after she heard the principal's explanation. Without even bothering to look at Amber, she went on to say, "Sir, I understand your situation, but this matter is actually not as complicated as you think it is. My brother and I have been living together for years, and there are only the two of us in the family. So, if anyone who claims to be our family messes with your students in front of the school gate, you should immediately call the police. Timothy is a student in your school, so he should be protected by you. Don't you think so?"

Tessa spoke with a chilly yet intimidating tone but maintained a polite expression on her face. However, the principal was speechless upon hearing her words, as he seemingly didn't expect to hear them.

Upon hearing Tessa's words, Amber lost her cool and lashed out at the former. "You b*tch, Tessa! Where is your conscience?! You put your dad in jail, and now you're trying to do the same thing to your grandmother! After all these years your father spent raising you, this is how you repay him, you ingrate! I'm warning you! I don't care how it is, but you must get your father out of prison by today, or I will make you regret it!"

Tessa stared at the old lady with a pair of cold eyes, speaking with a glacial voice. "You're welcome to try. If you ever dare to mess with me, I'm just going to call the cops! By then, don't blame me if you get locked up in the cell!"

"What did you just say?!"

