

The More the Merrier Chapter 561

Chapter 561 Naturally Conceived Sextuplets

There were so many stalls at the marketplace that Gavin had a hard time choosing what to eat.

Ultimately, he decided to get the same thing as Zachary. "I'll have some barbecue skewers too."

"Can I have a milkshake too, Mommy?" asked Jesse.

Arissa could barely keep up with the kids' requests.

"What about you, Tim?" she asked, beaming.

Tim had never visited a place like this. He wanted to scratch his head, but both his hands were being held by Gavin and Zachary respectively.

He peered at his surroundings. Everything looks and smells so good!

"Barbecue skewers, please," he replied, going with something he had not tried before.

He was familiar with all the other food items.

I've had oxtail soup at one of our neighbors' places. It was good.

Arissa nodded. "I'll go buy whatever you guys want."

"Mommy, I want a milkshake too," Jasper added with a smile.

Arissa glanced at all the children.

"I'll get you all one each, then!"

The children squealed in excitement, causing more people to stare at them.

"Such adorable kids!"

"All six of them look around the same age. They also look so alike. Are they actually sextuplets?"

"Maybe they're not actually siblings, but cousins of the same age? If you stare at them long enough, they'd all start to look alike."

“Good point. One of them looks extra tanned too. He’s obviously not from the same parents...”

Arissa frowned as she heard that and politely corrected the passersby.

“They’re all my kids.”

“Oh? That many of them?”

And what about it?

“All six of them!” the woman declared proudly.

“IVF?”

Arissa didn’t know how to respond at this point.

“Naturally conceived,” Benjamin chimed in unhappily.

With that, the people stopped asking questions and continued to admire the children.

“You guys are amazing to be able to have six at a time!”

The crowd couldn’t contain their adoration for the children, all of whom had exquisite features.

“They’re so cute!”

“Oh, how I’d love to carry one of them home!” a young woman gushed.

Jasper smiled at the passersby.

“Oh, God. He even smiled at me. My heart can’t take it anymore.”

Seeing people praise him made Jasper beam with delight.

Jesse, too, beamed at the crowd.

“This one’s a girl, right? She’s adorable!”

Upon hearing that, Benjamin frowned and gazed at Jesse. She does look like a girl.

There were dimples on her face when she smiled.

Gavin and Zachary weren’t as bubbly, but the crowd liked them too.

Meanwhile, Oliver's eyes wandered as he calculated how much money they would have to spend on their food.

Tim kept his head low. He rarely visited places like these, so he wasn't used to being stared at.

"Don't be afraid, Tim. We'll protect you!" Arissa petted his head.

The boy nodded as his eyes lit up.

With a smile, Arissa went to buy their food.

Benjamin walked toward her to place an arm around her waist, clearly trying to indicate to everyone that she belonged to him.

Arissa glanced at the man and tried to evade him, but to no avail.

"What are you doing?"

"Be careful. Someone might bump into you," Benjamin murmured into her ear as he led her forward.

The woman's heart began to race.

"I am being careful!"

She turned to look at her children, only to see them eagerly watching her and Benjamin's interaction.

"Stay close, Sweethearts! Don't fall behind!"

"We won't fall behind even if you do, Mommy!" Zachary teased. "You'd better follow us closely, or we might end up having to look for you if you get lost!"

Arissa's lips twitched. "How could I fall behind?"

That brat!

The children burst into laughter.

Arissa shot daggers at them, albeit in a joking manner.

"You won't get to eat anything if you fall behind!"

The children fell silent in response.

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Chapter 562 Predatory Eyes

The bodyguard returned with Benjamin's coat and sunglasses.

The latter wore his own pair of sunglasses and gave the previous ones back to the guard, who then put them back on and stood nearby.

Some were fortunate enough to have caught a glimpse of Benjamin's face while he was switching glasses. The men felt ashamed of themselves, whereas the women began to drool as their jaws fell to the floor.

"That guy looks so hot!"

"I just saw his face too. The kids look just like him – those features, those charming eyes!"

"He looks way better than most male celebrities out there! Who on earth is he? He even has bodyguards with him. Is he a superstar?"

"We would've seen him before if he really were a star, so he's definitely not one. His looks are just too unmatched! He'd be crazy famous if he really were a star!"

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"Oh, my God! He's so hot. His wife is so lucky to have such a gorgeous partner like him – along with six adorable kids! I'm so jealous!"

Benjamin's eyes twinkled. Wife?

His gaze fell on the woman next to him, only to see her frowning in speechlessness.

He then took his coat and wrapped it around her waist to hide her curves.

Arissa froze.

"What are you doing? It's so hot out here!"

“Keep it on,” the man instructed while pushing her hands away from the coat. “Can’t you see all those guys staring at you?”

Arissa glanced around and noticed many people turning their heads as they walked past her.

Then, she laughed. “You know, I see more women looking at you instead – with their predatory eyes!”

“Would you like something bitter to go with that jealousy?” Benjamin teased as he pulled her back into his arms.

Arissa was at a loss for words. What a narcissist this guy is!

“I’d prefer something salty, thank you very much.”

The children behind couldn’t help but laugh, including Tim.

Benjamin gritted his teeth. “In that case, I’ll have Edwin buy more salt so you can eat as much of it as you want.”

Arissa smiled at him tauntingly. “And what about you, Graham? Would you like some salt too? Or do you prefer something bitter?”

The man stared at her intently with his narrowed eyes. “You’re asking me what I want to eat?”

His warm breath fanned her cheeks, making her feel all tingly.

He was being so intimate.

She blinked before quickly looking away.

Seeing the food they were looking for straight ahead, she placed an order for the children and bodyguards.

“Thank you, Ms. York!”

“Don’t mention it!”

Arissa then bent over and distributed one skewer to each child.

“Just one, Mommy? That’s not enough!” Jasper whined as he took a huge bite of his barbecued sausage.

The woman flicked his forehead gently.

“Slow down! It tastes better when you eat it slowly.”

“It’s delicious!” Jasper took a huge whiff of his skewer. It smelled so good.

Unable to resist the temptation, Arissa decided to order another set of skewers.

“Here.”

She gave the rest to Benjamin, who merely glanced at them.

“You can have them.”

What a weirdo. Oh, well. His loss.

The woman gave the bodyguards more skewers and prepared to feed her children more when they were done with what they had now.

“It’s been so long since I last ate these. I used to love them so much back when I was still in school,” Arissa reminisced. “I used to buy these with a group of friends. I could only get one each time, but it was so gratifying.”

She looked so calm as she recalled the past.

“Why did you only get one?” asked Benjamin.

Arissa turned to him. “Because I couldn’t afford any more than that!”

Despite seeing her smile, Benjamin felt a pang in his heart.

Tim felt sorry for her too. So, she used to be poor too? It must’ve been tough for her.

“We have money now, Mommy. You can eat as many skewers as you want!” Oliver said to her.

“Really, Sweetheart?” asked Arissa.

“Of course!” The boy grinned.

“Thank you, Sweetheart! How about you pay for these skewers, then?”

Oliver’s smile instantly froze. Then, he turned to Benjamin – the only person who wasn’t eating.

“Isn’t it Mr. Graham’s treat?”

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Chapter 563 The Intricate Plan Of The Materialistic Kid

When Benjamin saw how much Oliver treasured money, he did not know whether to laugh or cry.

“How much is it?”

“Eight-four,” replied Oliver quickly.

Benjamin took out a credit card from his wallet.

Arissa and the other six were speechless.

“Mr. Graham, they only accept cash or online payment!”

Benjamin glanced at the stall and realized that he was telling the truth.

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The boss was looking at him weirdly.

Pursing his lips, Benjamin turned his head around and shot a look at his bodyguard.

The bodyguard quickly took out a hundred in cash. Benjamin grabbed it and passed it to the boss.

“Keep the change!”

Delighted, the boss replied, “Thank you!”

“Wait, no! You need to give back sixteen!” protested Oliver.

When everyone stared at him, he became embarrassed. “Why don’t we get four more sausages instead?”

“Sure!”

The boss had no qualms about that either and quickly gave Oliver four sausages. When he saw how adorable the six kids were, he took out another two sausages.

“I’m giving you two more for free!”

“Thank you! We’ll visit you again next time!” Oliver grinned so widely that his eyes became crinkled.

“Thank you!” The other five kids thanked the boss too.

“You’re welcome!” The boss gazed at them with a smile, completely smitten with how adorable they were.

Flashing everyone a toothy smile, Oliver told the other five kids, “It’s just nice! We can have one more sausage each.”

When Arissa saw the kids sharing so happily, she could not help but smile too.

Glancing at the kids, Benjamin reminded them, “Don’t finish everything in one go! We need to eat other things too.”

“Mr. Graham, we have a huge appetite.”

Jasper had already finished two sausages, with oil glistening on his lips.

Benjamin grabbed a piece of tissue paper and wiped his mouth.

“Be neater when you eat!”

Jasper stuck his tongue out and snuck a peek at Arissa. “Mommy’s mouth is oily too!”

When Arissa met Benjamin’s gaze, she quickly wiped her mouth with her hand and turned around.

The kids laughed when they saw how embarrassed she was.

A glint flashed across Benjamin’s eyes. He walked over, grabbed her hand, and wiped it.

Arissa’s heart skipped a beat.

“You eat like a child! Looks like the kids learned how to eat so dirtily from you!” Benjamin chided her.

Arissa rebuked. “I’m not normally like this! I’m very clean!”

Benjamin pinched the corners of her mouth before bringing his long fingers to her.

“What is this?”

When Arissa saw the oil glistening on his fingers, she blushed and mumbled, "Everyone's mouth would get dirty after eating."

"Hah!" Benjamin laughed mockingly.

That made Arissa feel even more embarrassed.

"Kids, let's go in front and buy some more food!" shouted Arissa as she brought the children to continue buying food.

Benjamin did not eat anything and merely followed them.

When it was crowded, he would even carry two or three kids, preventing them from being bumped into by others.

"Why aren't you eating? Are you not hungry?" Having eaten so much food, Arissa felt embarrassed. After all, Benjamin was the one paying for everything.

If he did not eat anything and they were the only ones stuffing themselves, they would feel guilty.

"I'm not used to eating while walking," replied Benjamin coolly.

The corners of Arissa's lips twitched.

Why is this man so different from the ordinary folks?

"These street snacks taste better when you eat it while walking! You should experience it!"

Behind the sunglasses, Benjamin watched as she chattered away. A glint flashed across his eyes.

"Don't talk when you eat!"

How boring!

Glancing behind, she noticed a barbeque skewer store. "Look after them! I'll go and buy some food."

After reminding Benjamin, she went over to buy some barbeque skewers.

The six kids were about to follow her when Benjamin stopped them. "Stay here! I'll go over."

The kids were stunned.

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Chapter 564 Not Enough Money

When Benjamin walked over, the kids were quite happy. However, they could not help but complain about it.

Shaking his head, Jasper remarked, "As expected, Mr. Graham can't leave Mommy for even a second."

Oliver agreed, "Haha! Mr. Graham's treating Mommy differently now!"

Looking at both of them, Zachary did not rebuke.

Mommy told Daddy to look after us, but he instructed us to stay here and went to follow her instead. Does he want some alone time with her?

"If Daddy helps Mommy carry the food, that'll look even better on him!" said Gavin matter-of-factly.

Jesse chimed in, "Mr. Graham probably would, right?"

Tim stared at them before looking at Benjamin.

When Arissa saw Benjamin coming over, she frowned. "If you're coming here, what about the kids?"

"The bodyguards are looking after them."

Grabbing her hand, Benjamin led her through the crowd. Arissa glanced at him holding her hand, then back at his handsome face. Happiness filled her.

"Is it this barbecue skewers store?"

Benjamin glanced around and saw a stall with the word 'BBQ'.

"Yeah! This is it!" Excited, Arissa pulled her over.

Benjamin frowned when he saw the food on the grill.

"Are you sure that this is yummy?"

"It's delicious!"

Arissa missed it a lot. When she was overseas, she rarely had the chance to eat food like that.

Remembering that there was still other food, she only ordered a few servings.

“Aren’t you going to order more?” reminded Benjamin upon noticing that she had only ordered four portions despite there being six kids.

“This is enough! We can eat them together later. There’s other food too!” replied Arissa as she turned her head around.

Benjamin nodded. While he watched the stall owner grill the food, he frowned.

His frown deepened further when he saw the other sauces.

Just when Arissa was about to pay, Benjamin stopped her and passed the money over instead.

“Keep the change!”

“Sorry, but I’m short of ten!” added the boss after a slight moment of surprise.

Feeling embarrassed, Arissa quickly paid the remaining amount.

“I’m sorry! He doesn’t know the price.”

Arissa held the food with one hand and dragged Benjamin away quickly with the other.

Having been humiliated, Benjamin frowned. “It’s that expensive?” There was not a lot of food, to begin with.

Looking at him, Arissa laughed.

“Since you don’t usually eat it, you wouldn’t know. It used to be really cheap, but its price has increased due to inflation. Meat cost five per skewer and the vegetables cost three per skewer. In total, one portion would cost fifty. I added two meat options, so it added up to two hundred and ten.”

Benjamin pursed his lips in disdain. “It doesn’t look yummy. The food is cooked over the same grill over and over again!”

When Arissa heard how picky he was, she did not know how to explain that if he kept nitpicking at the food, he would not even dare to eat it.

“Once you have a taste of it, you’ll know whether it’s tasty!”

“It’s so unhealthy!”

Benjamin glared at her. “Do you usually eat food like these with the kids?”

Feeling a headache coming, Arissa spun around and faced Benjamin. "I couldn't have these overseas!"

When Benjamin saw how eager she was to eat the food, he pursed his lips.

"Bring these to the kids first. I'll buy some oxtail soup!" As Arissa spoke, she shoved the food into Benjamin's hands.

"Oxtail soup?" He frowned again.

"Stop!" Unable to take it anymore, Arissa gestured for him to fall silent. "Stop overthinking and don't follow me anymore. I'll buy it myself!"

With that, Arissa ran away. Benjamin stood there with a frown as he stared at her intently.

He only averted his gaze after she disappeared from his sight. Then, he walked back to the kids.

The food that the kids ordered was not done yet. When they saw Benjamin returning with food, they gulped hungrily.

The corners of Benjamin's lips lifted as an amused look flashed across his eyes.

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Chapter 565 Arissa Boldly Fed Him

"These are the barbeque skewers! Come and eat them."

Benjamin opened the packet before sitting beside Gavin.

"Barbeque skewers!"

Standing up, Gavin looked at it and sniffed it. "How fragrant!"

Benjamin cast a glance at him.

Zachary smiled brightly. "There are four portions! That's a lot!" He passed Gavin a skewer. "Have a bite! They're delicious."

After giving two skewers to Tim, he passed a skewer each to his siblings. In the end, he started munching on a skewer.

"Eat up, Tim!" When Zachary noticed Tim staring at the skewer, he gently nudged Tim.

“Um...” Nodding, Tim glanced at them and asked softly, “Aren’t we going to wait for Ms. York?”

Benjamin answered his question, “Your mommy went to buy some oxtail soup.”

“That’s great!” Jasper and Oliver were elated.

Jesse also grinned. While she munched on the food, she exclaimed happily, “Oxtail soup is tastier than skewers!”

“Yeah! Oxtail soup is delicious. Tim, you should have a taste of it later!” shared Jasper with Tim excitedly.

“Eat up, Tim! You still have more food to eat later,” urged Oliver. “You don’t have to wait for Mommy. There’s more for her to eat when she comes back.”

Tim already wanted to eat it when he saw the rest eating so happily. When he lowered his head and took a bite, his eyes lit up.

“Is it delicious, Tim?” asked Gavin affectionately.

Tim glanced at him and nodded. “Yeah!”

“There’s still pork, meatball, tofu, squid, mutton, prawn...” listed Zachary enthusiastically, encouraging Tim to try each of them.

“Okay!” Tim nodded.

“Tim, do you like spicy or non-spicy food? This is spicy,” asked Jasper as he passed his skewer to Tim.

Tim’s eyes lit up. “I like spicy food!”

“Here!” Jasper passed a prawn to him.

“Thank you! I’m not done eating yet.”

Tim was holding three skewers—the most out of the other kids. Since the other kids only had one skewer each, he felt embarrassed.

“Eat up! It’s yummy when it’s hot!” said Oliver with a smile.

“Everything’s yummy when hot!” teased Zachary.

Oliver laughed. The steam condensed on his glasses, so he could barely see anymore.

When Benjamin noticed that, he bent down and took off Oliver's glasses.

Oliver raised his head and stared at Benjamin, his vision blurred.

"Mr. Graham, I can't see after you took off my glasses!"

"Wait!"

Benjamin wiped the condensation from the glasses before placing them back onto Oliver.

Smiling secretly, Oliver said happily, "Thank you, Mr. Graham!"

When Arissa returned and saw that the kids had already started eating, she was pleased.

"Is it yummy, Sweethearts?"

"Yeah!" replied the six kids simultaneously, all overjoyed from the food.

When Arissa saw Tim smiling so happily as well, she grinned affectionately.

"If it's yummy, eat more!"

She grabbed two portions of oxtail soup and called out to the bodyguards, "You should sit down and eat too."

Pleasantly surprised, the bodyguards looked at Benjamin first before taking the food.

"Thank you, Ms. York!"

"You're welcome. It's tough on you to keep following us around."

Arissa sat beside Jesse, leaving one seat between her and Benjamin.

"The oxtail soup is here, Sweethearts!"

When she opened the packet, the fragrance filled the air. Swallowing her saliva unconsciously, Arissa quickly picked up some meat and started eating.

"Yummy!"

Looking at how immersed she was in the food, Benjamin asked, "Is it that yummy?"

It's oxtail! How can she possibly like it?

When Benjamin recalled what it was, he frowned in disdain.

Casting him a look, Arissa picked up a piece of oxtail meat. "You'd know that it's delicious just by smelling it. Have a bite!"

She passed it to him.

Staring at it, Benjamin did not really want to eat it. However, Arissa was bold enough to place it beside his lips.

The fragrance drifted into his nose, tempting him greatly.