

## The More the Merrier Chapter 516

Chapter 516 Made Him Angry

Despite her heart thumping loudly, Arissa looked away and pretended to be calm.

“You just kissed me again!”

Benjamin chuckled. “So? Can’t I kiss you?”

Upon hearing the arrogance in his tone, Arissa was rendered speechless.

What the hell? Didn’t he say before that he won’t be interested in me? Why is he going back on his word now? Is he okay in the head?

With that, she turned and glared at him.

After starting the car and meeting Arissa’s gaze, Benjamin narrowed his eyes.

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“What’s with that look?” he quipped.

I have a bad feeling about this. I know it can’t be anything good.

“Why? What kind of look do you think I have, Graham?” Arissa asked, smiling coyly at him.

“I’m not thinking of anything in particular. I want to hear what you have to say.”

“Are you sure you want me to?” Arissa said, eyes glinting with mischief.

“Yes!” Benjamin answered as he began driving off.

“Don’t I look like I’m staring at a fool?”

Screech!

The car suddenly braked, and the inertia sent Arissa lurching forward in her seat and then back sharply.

If it weren’t for the seatbelt, there was no doubt she’d have crashed through the windshield.

Benjamin gritted his teeth and glared at Arissa. "Are you calling me a fool?"

Oh, this woman! What's wrong with her? In what way do I seem foolish?

Seeing how grim Benjamin was, Arissa carefully stole a glance at him. "You were so confident before when you said you'd never fall for me," she explained. "But now, you've done a one-eighty and kissed me. Doesn't that make you a fool?"

To her surprise, Benjamin couldn't find the words to refute her.

Scowling, he stepped on the accelerator and drove off.

I knew I shouldn't have treated her well! Every time I show her some kindness, she never fails to abuse it.

Even after arriving at the restaurant, Benjamin was still silently fuming.

Arissa sat quietly in the passenger seat, lips pursed as she scrutinized the cold and aloof man beside her.

Well, I wasn't wrong! I was only telling the truth!

As soon as the car stopped, Arissa immediately opened the door and got out. Shaun, Ethen, and Bradley were already waiting at the entrance with the children.

"Mommy, why are you two so slow?" Gavin asked confusedly, knowing full well that his father wasn't a slow driver.

Alas, when he saw Benjamin stepping out of the car, he became even more perplexed.

Oh, my. Who has made Daddy angry?

Arissa turned to her children and chuckled. "Someone's driving skills weren't good, so we got held up."

With that, Zachary and his siblings shot Benjamin a funny look, and even Tim couldn't stop staring at the latter.

Despite smelling something fishy, Shaun and the others kept their opinions to themselves and grinned in silence.

"Why are you guys still standing here? Get in!" Benjamin bellowed before marching into the restaurant.

Arissa curled her lip and beckoned the children to follow. "Come on, Sweethearts. Let's go have lunch!"

Without further ado, she placed her hand on their backs and gently guided them forward.

The three men, on the other hand, trotted along behind her.

Shaun and Ethen exchanged glances and began whispering among themselves. "Hey, do you think they argued?"

At the same time, Jasper, too, had a question for Arissa. "Mommy, did you and Mr. Graham get into a fight?"

"No!" Arissa replied as she threw a glance at her child.

Unfortunately, that only made Zachary and Gavin even more puzzled.

"If you two didn't fight, why did Mr. Graham look so mad?" Oliver chimed in.

He looked so angry and so terrifying!

Unsurprisingly, Tim and Jesse had also turned their attention to her.

Arissa's gaze swept over the six children, then landed on Benjamin.

"It's all because he's so petty! I merely said a few words, and he lost his temper!" she remarked, intentionally making her voice louder.

A stunned silence instantly befell the kids.

Upon hearing that, Benjamin pursed his lips and walked back toward Arissa.

The latter stared warily at him, not knowing what he was about to do.

Benjamin isn't going to make a scene in public, is he?

Just as Arissa was wondering how best to defend herself, Benjamin suddenly grabbed her hand and pulled her along.

The next second, Arissa's jaw fell to the floor as she stared at him in utter disbelief.

"Close your mouth, you idi\*t!" Benjamin scolded.

Arissa did as instructed, but not before her face contorted with rage. "You're the idiot!" she shouted.

Thankfully, Benjamin didn't continue bickering with her.

The six kids, however, looked at the couple incredulously, not knowing what was going on at all.

Of course, Shaun, Ethen, and Bradley were equally astonished. My goodness. Benjamin is turning into a simp!

Wow, I can't believe Mr. Graham didn't blow his top!

Huh? When did Benjamin become so close to Boss?

## **The More the Merrier Chapter 517**

### Chapter 517 You Are Awesome

In the restaurant, many patrons stole glances at Benjamin and Arissa. After all, who wouldn't want to check out a couple of good-looking people?

Moreover, the six identical kids in tow were so adorable that it made everyone envious.

"Wow, six kids at one go? How lucky of them!"

"I think this is my first time seeing sextuplets!"

"I'm so jealous that they have six kids, but I wouldn't dare to have that many. Do you know how much money you have to spend on kids these days? It's so tough!"

"Ha, you'd also need a ton of good fortune to have this many kids! Not everyone can pull off a feat like this! I must say, their mother is awesome."

The crowd continued to buzz with excitement, and since Jasper liked to interact with strangers, everyone adored the kids even more.

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Feeling over the moon, Arissa smiled.

When Benjamin saw how happy she was, he, too, had a smile playing on his lips.

"Hey, I think you're awesome too," he whispered into Arissa's ear.

His warm breath tickled her, sending a tingling sensation racing over her skin.

Arissa immediately turned beet red from embarrassment. She ducked away and rubbed her ear, trying her best to relieve the ticklish feeling.

"I thought you'd be boasting about how amazing you are!" she snapped back at Benjamin.

Arissa remembered her first trimester being pretty smooth sailing back when she was pregnant with all six kids.

However, during the latter part of the pregnancy, her belly had gotten so large that it made everything all the more awkward and cumbersome.

In the days when she was about to give birth, she was almost on complete bed rest.

It was hard to do anything, and just standing for a few minutes would be enough to make her waist ache terribly.

"But I am amazing!" Benjamin blurted out with a narcissistic smirk. "How else would you have sextuplets?"

Benjamin's eyes bored into Arissa, making the latter's heart flutter when she met his gaze.

She hastily looked away, but nothing could hide the blush that had crawled to her neck.

Seeing how embarrassed Arissa was, Benjamin beamed with delight.

As soon as the group had entered the private room, he promptly got the waiters to serve the dishes.

"All right, Sweethearts, let's wash our hands before eating!" Arissa reminded before ushering the kids out.

"Come on, Tim! Let's wash our hands!" Gavin and Zachary shouted as they pulled him along and called out to their other siblings.

Soon, the six children were obediently following Arissa to the restroom. "Use the toilets if you need to, Sweethearts. Our food will be ready soon!"

"I'm going to pee!" Jasper exclaimed as he ran into the restroom with Oliver in tow.

As soon as they got out, Gavin told Tim to go next.

"Go on, Tim!" Zachary urged.

"Okay!"

Tim quickly entered the restroom, except he ended up being in there for so long that it worried Arissa.

After a while, she sent Zachary to check on his brother while Jasper and Oliver washed their hands.

Zachary went into the restroom with Gavin, only to find Tim seemingly searching for something in the cubicle.

“Tim, have you peed?” Zachary asked.

Upon hearing that, Tim turned a deep shade of crimson. “I have, but I don’t know how to flush the toilet!”

That elicited a giggle from Zachary, but thankfully, he managed to hold it back.

“All you have to do is press this flush button, and the water will come out,” he said while demonstrating the process to Tim. I guess there’s still a lot I need to teach Tim in the future!

“You can head out and wash your hands, Tim!” Gavin chimed in, trying his best to comfort his blushing brother. “In the future, if there’s anything you’re unsure of, feel free to shout for us. We’ll always be here to help you. You don’t have to be shy around us!”

Tim nodded firmly. “Thank you so much!”

“Don’t mention it. Besides, we like having you ask us questions! Now, hurry up and get your hands washed. Let’s not make Mommy worry.”

Zachary, too, reassured Tim before rushing off to pee.

When Arissa saw Tim finally walk out of the restroom, she walked up and hugged him. “What’s wrong, Sweetheart?”

“It’s nothing!” Tim replied, shaking his head.

Arissa scrutinized her son for a bit, but instead of probing further, she merely helped to wash his hands.

“Jesse, are you done peeing?” she shouted as she dried Tim’s hands.

“All done, Mommy!” Jesse replied, running over to Arissa so she can get her hands washed.

“All right, those who are ready can head out first!”

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“No, we’ll wait for Mommy!” Jesse answered with an unwavering smile.

Oliver, Jasper, and Tim also stood at the door, not wanting to leave without their mother.

Arissa couldn’t help but smile. When she saw her the two older children come out of the restroom, she quickly called them over. “Come and wash your hands!”

“We’ll do it ourselves, Mommy. Why don’t you use the restroom too?” Zachary replied as he and Gavin went to the sink to wash up on their own.

“Go on, Mommy. We’ll wait for you!” Gavin urged.

Grinning, Arissa patted their heads and went off to relieve herself.

Right then, Benjamin popped into the restroom and saw all six kids gathered beside the sink.

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As it turned out, Gavin and Zachary were teaching Tim how to use the faucet, and the latter bashfully followed their instructions.

When he brought his hand under the faucet and saw the water coming out automatically, Tim widened his eyes in amazement.

“Wow! How did the water come out?”

“It’s because there’s a sensor inside. Whenever you bring your hand up to the faucet, the sensor will detect it and turn on the water valve, thus letting the water flow out,” Zachary patiently explained. “However, the water will only flow for about ten seconds before it stops. If you haven’t finished washing, you’d have to wave your hand in front of the sensor to activate it again.”

“What are those for, then?” Tim asked as he pointed at the bottles on the sink.

This time around, it was Gavin who helped with the explanation. “Those bottles contain liquid hand wash! You use it by squeezing some onto your hands!”

The next second, he went on to show Tim how to use the hand dryer. “After washing your hands, you can put them under this machine to dry them!”

Naturally, Tim was blown away by everything. “That’s so amazing! We don’t have these in our village!”

Jasper, Oliver, and Jesse stared at their brother, feeling rather sorry for him.

“Oh, I’m sure these will show up in the village soon. In the past, the city didn’t have such fancy gadgets either. There are always newly developed items popping up, and even I have to figure out how to use them!” Zachary reassured.

Just then, Benjamin walked up to the kids. “Well, have you all washed your hands?”

The kids immediately turned to look at him, with Tim looking especially red in the face.

Benjamin gently tousled the boy’s hair. “It’s okay. You’ll get the hang of these things once you’ve had more practice. Feel free to ask your siblings if you have any questions.”

“Okay!” Tim said, nodding sheepishly.

Benjamin looked at the kids and turned to Gavin. “Gavin, take everyone outside and show Tim around.”

“Let’s go, Tim!” Gavin exclaimed while pulling him out.

After tossing a glance at Benjamin, Zachary proceeded to shepherd the rest of his siblings out.

Jasper and Oliver promptly left the restroom, but Jesse stayed on, staring at the cubicle.

“I want to wait for Mommy!”

“She’ll join you guys once she’s finished here. Go wait outside for her!” Benjamin persisted.

My goodness. Why is the youngest one constantly clinging to Arissa?

Realizing that her brothers had all left, Jesse took one last look at Benjamin and ran out.

When Arissa finally came out of the cubicle, she was shocked to see that the kids were gone and only Benjamin was there.

“Are you here to use the restroom?” she asked.

Benjamin merely grunted an acknowledgment as he went straight into the cubicle.

Arissa began washing her hands, but it wasn’t long before she heard him relieving himself. At that, the corners of her mouth twitched.

This man has no shame at all! Can’t he wait till I’ve gone out?

With that, she picked up the pace and hastily left the restroom.

Meanwhile, Shaun, Ethen, and Bradley were playing with the kids and introducing the high-tech products to Tim.

Arissa smiled at the sight and turned to the three men. "Do you guys know what Benjamin has ordered?"

Shaun shook his head. "I'm only here for a free meal. I don't know what he's ordered."

"I think Mr. Graham was the one who booked this restaurant. I have no clue either," Bradley chimed in with a shrug.

Arissa instantly looked at Ethen, who couldn't help but burst out laughing.

"Okay, I was the one who booked the restaurant, but Mr. Graham personally picked all the dishes himself. Not even I have any idea what he ordered!"

Left without a choice, Arissa took her seat. I was hoping to order more of the kids' favorite dishes, but I guess I'll have to ask him when he's back.

Then, she picked up the menu and started flipping through it.

"Mommy, I want dessert!" Jesse exclaimed as she snuggled up to Arissa.

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Chapter 519 Benjamin Has Become Fatherly

Arissa looked at her and pinched her nose affectionately. "I'll order later because I don't know what your daddy has ordered!"

"Then what are you looking at, Mommy?"

Jesse tilted her head and looked at her, blinking her eyes in the cutest way.

Arissa leaned over and kissed her on the cheek. The fresh smell of milk on the child was especially pleasant.

Benjamin came upon the scene and saw the affectionate behavior. Then, he looked at the other children.

With the exception of Tim, who was watching Jesse's antics with Arissa, the other children were quite used to it.

Arissa kissed Jesse, and then she kissed her mother back. The mother and daughter were happily teasing each other.

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“Tim, come and give me a kiss!”

Seeing Tim staring at them, Arissa called to him affectionately.

Tim shook his head and blushed but no one noticed that because of his dark complexion.

Arissa smiled dotingly.

Feeling another pair of eyes was on her, she turned around and met Benjamin’s gaze.

“Come and have a seat!”

Benjamin invited everyone to the table.

“Come on, let’s start eating!”

Shaun called out to the others and brought them over.

Ethen and Bradley went over and helped the children get onto their seats. Then, he went to wash his hands.

“You sit here!”

Benjamin led Arissa to the table and pulled out the chair for her.

Arissa looked at him.

“I want to sit with Mommy!”

Jesse quickly booked the seat next to Arissa. She had barely sat down when she noticed Tim.

“Tim, why don’t you sit with Mommy?”

Tim shook his head. “No, it’s alright!”

Jesse laughed joyfully. “Tim, you sit next to me, then!”

Tim looked at Jesse. "I'll sit here!"

"Come over here, Tim!"

Jasper offered his seat to Tim so that the latter could sit with Jesse and their mommy.

"There's no need. You go ahead!" Tim waved his hand.

Jasper smiled and went over to lead him. "Come on. I'll change seats with you!"

"Do come over here!" Arissa called out to her son.

Jasper led Tim to the seat next to their sister.

As Benjamin went over and carried the child up to set him down on the chair, Tim looked at him. "Thank you, Mr. Graham!"

Benjamin pinched his cheek. Then, he saw that Jasper was not seated properly.

He went and put him properly in his seat. "Everyone is seated properly now!"

Jasper glanced at Benjamin. "Thank you, Mr. Graham!"

Benjamin cast him a helpless glance, grunted and went back to his seat beside Arissa.

Shaun laughed as he looked at the caring way Benjamin was behaving. "Benjamin, you are becoming more and more like a father!"

Benjamin cast him a sidelong glance.

"Do you mean that I was not like one previously?" he snorted.

Shaun laughed. "You were not so caring. Isn't that so, Gavin?"

Gavin looked up at Benjamin and nodded.

Seeing that, Benjamin twitched his lips.

Arissa looked at him and agreed with Shaun. "Previously, you were nothing close to being fatherly!"

Benjamin glared at her.

Arissa shifted her eyes from him onto the children.

When the soup arrived, Ethen and Bradley helped to serve the younger children.

“Sweethearts, be careful! The soup is hot, so drink it slowly!”

Arissa leaned forward, watching out for the children.

“Yes, Mommy!”“

Gavin nodded.

The other five young siblings responded in unison.

“Yes, Mommy!”

“Yes, Ms. York!”

Arissa watched them with a smile on her face.

Only when everyone received a serving of the soup, did Benjamin give the signal for them to start eating.

Tim sat there and did not move when he saw the adults had not eaten yet.

Arissa observed Tim for a few moments. “Sweetheart, go ahead.”

“Okay!” the child responded.

“Come on. Go ahead!”

She stretched out her hand and stroked his head, speaking gently.

Tim lowered his head and started drinking the soup.

“Be careful. It’s hot!”

Arissa alerted him again. When he nodded, she repeated her words to her other children.

“Don’t just think about them, you should have your soup too!”

Benjamin turned to her and told her in a low voice.

## **The More the Merrier Chapter 520**

### **Chapter 520 The Confusing Little Girl**

Arissa was speechless. “How about you?” Benjamin raised his eyebrows and served her some wild mushrooms and chicken. “Come, eat something!”

Arissa saw that there was no chicken or wild mushroom in his bowl at all and she felt moved.

“Don’t you eat these?”

“I’ll just drink the soup!” Benjamin started having his soup.

He drank the soup very slowly. His movements were very elegant and graceful.

She could not help but stare at him.

As Benjamin’s almond-shaped eyes blinked and turned in her direction, Arissa quickly looked away.

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Benjamin’s gaze remained on her for a while and she turned red, her delicate lips parted slightly.

Shaun, Ethen and Bradley noticed that something was going on in the way they acted and they watched curiously.

Benjamin just threw them a warning look.

They got the message and looked down to drink their soup, pretending they had not noticed anything.

Tim looked at the wild mushrooms in his bowl. It was something he had not eaten before and he did not know what they were.

He looked to his right and left. Seeing everyone else eating it, he took a small bite and found it to be chewy.

“Tim, do you like wild mushrooms? I can give you mine!”

Jesse spooned the wild mushrooms from her bowl and put them in his.

“You won’t have any after giving them to me.”

Tim looked at her.

“It’s all right. I ate one just now. Do you like it?”

Facing Jesse’s starry-eyed gaze, Tim nodded. “Yeah, it tastes good!”

The other children followed suit, each giving Tim their share of wild mushrooms.

“Thank you, I can help myself!” Tim was surprised by the affection they showed him.

“If you like it, there is more over here!”

Arissa spooned one for Tim, smiling at her son.

“Thank you, Ms. York. You guys please continue eating!” Tim thanked them politely.

Arissa stroked the child’s head affectionately. “Eat whatever you like. Do not feel shy!”

Tim nodded.

Arissa looked at her son with eyes full of affection, as if she could not take her eyes off him.

“Stop staring at him. He wouldn’t dare to eat!”

Benjamin reminded her. This woman is paying the child too much attention.

Arissa looked at the children and then looked back at him. “What have you ordered?”

“You’ll see when they bring the dishes!” Benjamin replied simply.

Arissa pursed her lips and then asked again. “Have you asked someone to prepare food for Mdm. Mary?”

“Yes, mushroom soup!” Benjamin returned her gaze.

Arissa was pleased. Mary was not a big eater and soup was just perfect for her.

“How about dessert?”

“No!” Benjamin frowned.

After some hesitation, he continued. “Desserts are not good for her. There is too much sugar!”

Arissa did not reply to him. Looking at Shaun who was seated in front of her, she asked, “Dr. Bailey, is sugar bad for health?”

Shaun smiled. “In the correct amounts, sugar is good for health. Too much of it is bad.”

“Listen to the doctor. He’s so professional!”

Arissa smiled and chided Benjamin. He doesn't like it so he does not allow others to eat it.

The waiters continued to serve their food.

Arissa helped the children take the food, without missing any child.

Seeing her caring only about the children, Benjamin spooned some food onto her plate for her.

"Mommy, don't just take care of us. You need to eat too!"

Gavin smiled and reminded her.

Arissa smiled softly and nodded. "Okay!"

During the meal, she made sure the six children each had enough to eat, and only when they had enough did she begin eating her share.

"Mummy, you haven't ordered dessert yet, I want dessert!"

The little girl tugged at Arissa's sleeve, acting in a cute manner.

"As soon as the waiter comes in, I will order it!" Arissa said dotingly.

Benjamin looked at them and said to Jesse, "Boys, don't eat too much of this, it will cause tooth decay!"

The little girl blinked, "But I'm..."

"Jesse, shh!" Jasper motioned to his sister to keep silent.

Jesse stuck out her tongue and smiled, narrowing her eyes.

Arissa giggled.

Benjamin was puzzled when he saw everyone smiling mysteriously.

His handsome face turned solemn. "What are you guys laughing about?"