# Chapter 17

"One person is missing? I don't find." Brian said.

Dylan frowned even more. "Are you sure?"

They came for Tom. If Tom weren't here, why did they come here in the first place?

Samuel also stood there with no expression on his face, which made many people of the Scott Family feel a little scared. At this time, Brian found something was wrong, and he hurriedly asked Richard, "Grandpa, who didn't come for your 70th birthday tonight?"

Richard looked around and found that all members of the Scott Family were there. This was his 70th birthday, and he should the main character. Why were those people caring about someone of the Howard Family?

Confused, Richard shook his head and said, "Everybody's here."

Everyone was here?

Dylan and Samuel saw each other meaningfully. Could it be that Tom was testing them and watching them in the dark?

That was highly possible..

Soon, they had an idea and decided to play along.

"Hahaha, no, I was just curious." Dylan said while laughing.

Then they all sat down and began to drink with Richard and the others.

Samuel was a big boss. Although he smiled amiably, Richard still felt a lot of pressure. There was a huge gap in their status, so there was almost no common topic between them. After chatting for a while, they didn't know what to talk about, and things got awkward between them.

Zack had always wanted and gone all out to have connections with the Howard Family. He rolled his eyes and said with a smile, "Just now, Mr. Howard said that one person is not here. I suddenly remembered that we

did drive a person away just now. This person is the son-in-law of the Scott Family. He is trash. Hahaha..."

"Yes!" When Brian heard this, his eyes lit up as if he finally got something to brag about. "I forgot all about it. This trash doesn't have any ability, but he likes to brag. We just exposed him and you didn't see how embarrassed he was. He nearly cried in the end. Hahaha, that was a good show. Unfortunately, you didn't come then. Otherwise, you would have seen that trash in a mess when we drove him out. Hahaha."

The others also laughed and began to make remarks one by one as if it was something very interesting. They said how they had bullied Tom and

mercilessly driven him out. They spoke with great interest, not noticing that the faces of Samuel and the others were getting gloomier.

"Is this useless son-in-law you're talking about called Tom?"

Samuel asked, almost trembling.

Brian was gloating. After a few drinks, he was so high that he thought he had reached the peak of his life. "Yes! Mr. Howard, you know him?"

Hearing that, Samuel closed his eyes and his heart was filled with anger!

This time, he was willing to give up his dignity and come over personally to celebrate Richard's birthday because he wanted to show Tom some respect...

No, it was because he wanted to fawn on Tom!

But Tom was driven out of the Scott Family!

This was very similar to what had happened four years ago. Samuel didn't care about Tom, but he cared about himself!

After hearing those people mocking Tom, Samuel had already understood. It was obvious that in order to be found by the Howard Family in the past few years, Tom had married into the Scott Family. He had hidden his identity and ability and lived a miserable life. Now that Tom had received a large inheritance, he specially called them over to make a

show, but this happened. This was exactly like what had happened four years ago. So dramatic. Tom must have hated the Howard Family now!

Thinking of the more serious consequences, Samuel trembled with anger.

## Bang!

Samuel slammed on the table and made a loud noise, which shocked everyone mocking Tom happily, especially Brian, who was the closest to him. He even fell to the ground in fear.

All people in the Scott Family looked at Samuel in panic.

"Mr... Mr. Howard, what, what

happened?" Richard asked in fear.

Samuel was furious but he laughed instead. He stared at Richard, and gritted his teeth. "Richard, do you know why I, the head of the Howard Family, came to your birthday banquet?"

Richard's mouth trembled, and he had a bad feeling. "No, I don't know..."

"Because I'm showing my respect to Tom." Samuel's face was cold. "That trash you ruthlessly chased out!"

#### Boom!!!

Richard felt he was hit by a bomb. His face turned pale instantly, and he began to shiver.

Everyone else reacted the same way. Samuel's words directly stunned them all.

Phoebe was dumbfounded. She opened her mouth wide and was completely stunned.

James and Elizabeth couldn't come back to their senses for a long time...

Samuel, who was so superior to them, came to this banquet for Tom?

This... Why did it sound so ridiculous? It sounded so absurd that they couldn't help doubting.

"That's impossible!" Brian, who had just fallen to the ground, got up and said loudly, "Mr. Howard, are you kidding? Tom is just trash. Everyone in

the Scott Family, even the dog, can bully him. To show him respect? Hahaha..."

Brian had drunk a lot and lost his mind. He was laughing, but no one was laughing with him now. Samuel and Dylan looked at him coldly, and everyone in the Scott Family was scared out of their wits.

He finally realized something was wrong and said to Dylan, "Mr. Howard, please explain to Mr. Howard. You came here for my birthday, not for that useless Tom..."

Before he could finish his sentence, Tom slapped him hard on his face, making a loud noise. He was made to twirl twice and fell heavily to the ground, half of his face swollen.

"Who do you think you are? If it weren't for Tom's sake that day, I would have destroyed Logan on the spot!" Dylan said in a murderous tone. He was very angry now, but more afraid. Tom told him to pass the news to Samuel, but he failed. Now he offended both of them! And the culprit for all this was Brian, the bastard! He really wanted to kill Brian now!

Brian was sobered up by this slap. He opened his eyes wide and looked at Dylan in horror. Now he realized that he had caused big trouble!

Not only him, but also Richard and the others were scared and regretful. But they couldn't understand. Why that

good-for-nothing Tom could invite Samuel to this birthday banquet? This didn't make sense!

"Phoebe, what's going on? When did Tom know the Patriarch of the Howard Family? Phoebe, Phoebe, tell me!"

Elizabeth looked panicked and shook Phoebe's hand, hoping to get the answer from her.

However, Phoebe was petrified and stood there in a daze. She did not move. Her eyes were red and tears flowed silently. She felt heartbroken and that she could not breathe!

Her mind was filled with Tom...

"Phoebe, don't worry. I won't embarrass you tonight! And I will also

make you proud!"

"It's a secret. I can't tell you now. Anyway, just wait and see. I'll make you proud tonight."

"Phoebe, I know you don't believe me. You misunderstand me deeply. But I'll prove it to you."

"If I win, I want you to be my wife, a real wife!"

"Phoebe, have you ever liked me for a second in the past four years of our marriage?"

"I'm sorry to have wronged you for the past four years. I wish you happiness for the rest of your life."

Every word that Tom had said came to

her mind. The image when Tom left, heartbroken and listless, came to her mind too and ruthlessly stabbed her heart like needles, causing her to be in pain and nearly lose her balance.

It turned out that Tom had never lied to her, but she was never willing to believe in him and had hurt him over and over again!

The next moment, she rushed out.

She needed to get him back!

## Chapter 18

Phoebe's actions deeply stimulated people in the Scott Family!

Richard rolled his eyes and almost fainted.

The other members of the Scott Family also realized that they had caused great troubles and they all very regretted it. If they had known that Tom knew Samuel, they would not have dared to humiliate Tom like this, let alone drive him out!

Soon, they all blamed Brian for all of these. If this guy hadn't proposed to Phoebe, things wouldn't have been like this! It's over. It's over. They offended the Howard Family and no one would be able to make a living in the H City.

Samuel left with the gifts he had given Richard.

They walked away for half a minute before someone dared to speak. "Tom. How did he know such a big shot as Samuel?"

His question was the question of everyone, but no one knew the answer.

"Could it be that Tom is also from the Howard Family?" Someone asked timidly.

It was immediately denied. "That's impossible! I've investigated Tom's information. He's a poor man from the

countryside. His parents died early, and he can't be a member of the Howard Family. Besides, if Tom was really from the Howard Family, how could he be a son-in-law by adoption of the Scott Family? How could he have suffered four years of cowardice in the Scott Family while the Howard Family remained indifferent to this?"

This inference was approved by others.

"I think Tom must have stumbled into Samuel's favor. He wanted to show off and hold his head high on his father's seventieth birthday this time, so he asked Samuel to come over so that he could do what he wanted!"

"That makes sense. Didn't you hear that Tom just said that Dylan let Logan

go for his sake?"

"This Tom is such a pest!"

"Anyway, let's find Tom first. Let Tom explain everything to Samuel and clear up the misunderstanding. Otherwise, our Scott Family will really be finished!"

Phoebe ran out of the hotel in a hurry and did not see Tom. She frantically called Tom while his phone was powered off. She even consulted the security guards at the hotel entrance and the owner of the nearby store. She did not know where Tom went. It was as if Tom had disappeared from her world.

So where did Tom go?

Half an hour ago, he came out of the hotel as if he had lost his soul and ne was already heartbroken.

He walked aimlessly and in a daze. He almost got hit by a car several times.

As he was walking, he suddenly heard a noisy voice behind him. Tom looked back and saw a scene that made him angry. There were two young men and two women bullying an elderly.

This old man was a fruit vendor. The fruits of the cart spilled all over the ground. The four young people were stamping the fruits, and they refused to give up even if the old man begged for mercy. They cursed, "Old man, don't you see who we are? How dare you sell us bad fruits? You made us

have diarrhea!"

The old man shouted wrongly, "God comes and points out in all fairness. I have never sold bad fruits. You have to be honest when you speak!"

"Old thing, how dare you to argue? Trample all his fruits and see how she will hurt others in the future!"

"Don't step on my fruit. Don't step on my fruit. Please..."

The elderly were about to kneel down and beg them, but they were still indifferent. They were all young people in their early twenties. They had excited and happy expressions on their faces. Doing such a bad thing was very exciting for them, and it was an

achievement for them.

Many people were around them but those people did not dare to stand up for justice.

Tom couldn't stand it any longer. He quickly stepped up and shouted to stop!

His shout made everyone look at him, and the four young people stopped trampling on the fruits.

"The elderly, did you get hurt?" Tom helped the elderly up and asked with concern.

"I'm not hurt, but my fruits, my fruits..."
When the elderly saw the messy fruit in the ground, her tears flowed down.

Tom was very angry and stared coldly at the four young people. "As young people, you bully an old man here. Have your upbringing been eaten by dogs?"

"Who are you? How dare you as you want to meddle in this?!"

"Where did this trash come from? You want to be a hero, right? I'll give you three seconds. Get out of here quickly, or I'll teach you a lesson as well!"

"From the way that he is dressed, I know he is poor."

"Get out of here, or I'll beat you up too!"

They taunted Tom, and one of the men came over to push Tom.

"I recognize you. Aren't you the useless son-in-law by adoption of the Scott Family?"

A man in white recognized Tom.

Tom also recognized that this guy was Zack's brother-in-law. Tom had met him a few times before and forgot his name. But Tom knew that he was a troublemaker.

"You're Zack's brother-in-law, aren't you? I think you went to school too. Your teacher did teach you to respect the old and love the young, right? Where are your manners, integrity, and shame? A man of twenty came here to bully a weak old people. Don't you feel ashamed?" Tom stared at him

and said.

Tom's words were echoed by a lot of people around him and they condemned the four young people.

Zack's brother-in-law's face immediately darkened. He walked up to Tom arrogantly, pointed at Tom's nose, and scolded, "It's none of your business! You are just a trash. If my brother-in-law's Family hadn't raised you, you wouldn't have been able to eat things even like shit! How dare you come here and teach me a lesson?"

Tom frowned. He was in a bad mood and didn't want to argue with him. He said directly to the elderly, "Old lady, I'll send you back. I'll pay you for the fruit you lost personally. Do you think it's

okay?"

The elderly looked at the crushed fruit. She shook her head sadly and sighed, "Forget it, young man. This has nothing to do with you. You don't have to pay me. Just think of it as my own bad luck and I just meet a group of beasts."

Her words immediately provoked the anger of these young people and they all shouted, "Damn old thing. Who the hell are you talking about?"

"I think you want to be in a coffin!"

Tom was also insulted by these people. They were clearly educated young people, but their words were extremely bad and unpleasant to hear.

Tom couldn't listen any longer and

cursed back. They were going to come up and hit Tom.

At this moment, an excited and surprised voice came from the crowd. Then, a man in a suit walked over quickly, "Tom!!"

When Tom saw this man, he immediately frowned, because it was Zack, who had just made him be like nothing in the hotel.

When Finn saw Zack, he was overjoyed and quickly walked up to Zack. "Brother-in-law, you came just in time. Tom, a trash, dared to call me a beast just now and said a lot of bad things about brother-in-law!"

Hearing Finn's words, Zack

immediately had a bad feeling. Then when he saw Tom's cold face, he felt that his blood froze. He stared at his brother-in-law and said with gritted teeth, "Did you scold him just now?"

Finn was very excited. He didn't notice that something was wrong with Zack's expression. He thought Zack was on his side and said as if he was taking credit, "Yes, brother-in-law, I know you hate this trash very much. I just scolded him to death..."

### Slap!!!

Before he could finish his sentence, Zack kicked him hard in his stomach, causing him to roll twice on the ground and scream. He was confused and didn't understand why his brother-inlaw, who was very good to him, would hit him.

#### Chapter 19

Everyone at the scene was shocked by Zack's violent action.

Especially the other three young men, who had met Zack and knew that he was Finn's brother-in-law and was very nice to Finn. Why did he suddenly hit Finn?

Finn cried out in grievance. "Zack, you're crazy! Why did you hit me?!"

Zack just wanted to kill Finn. After Samuel and his men left, all of them panicked and understood that the situation was serious. Once it was not handled well and the Howard Family got angry, the Scott Family would be destroyed immediately!

He kicked Finn a few more times before Finn realized that his brother-in-law was really angry. Finn did not dare to retort and was hit with his head in his arms by Zack.

After Zack vented at Finn, Zack hurriedly walked up to Tom and said politely, "Tom, what happened just now is a misunderstanding. Don't let it bother you so much. Actually, I always think very highly of you."

Tom immediately understood why Zack did this. It was only that after he left, Samuel and his men went over so that the Scott Family realized that they were in trouble and tried to make up for it.

Tom was staring at Zack without

They couldn't care less about how Tom got involved with the Howard Family. The biggest priority was to find Tom in the shortest time and ask Tom to call Samuel to explain that this was a misunderstanding. Otherwise, with the anger of Samuel and his men when they finally left, the Scott Family would really be truly screwed.

It was not easy for Zack to find Tom, but when Zack saw Tom being bullied by his brainless brother-in-law and was scolded with so many unpleasant words, Zack couldn't help but feel angry when he saw Tom's gloomy expression.

"Why did I hit you? I even want to kill you!" Zack did not work off his anger.

saying a word. Zack looked at Tom and felt great pressure. Zack kept sweating on his forehead and felt extremely aggrieved. In the past, he had always been superior to Tom. When had he ever been so humble? He really didn't know why Tom was so lucky to have the chance to know a big shot like Samuel.

Tom sneered, "I'm a useless son-in-law.

I am not allowed to accept your apology."

After that, he helped the old man and the two were about to leave.

Zack didn't want him to leave. He trotted over, stopped him, and apologized in a low voice. "Tom, I know we were wrong just now. We shouldn't

have done this to you. Please go back, right? It was our fault, really. We will definitely have the ultimate respect of you in the future."

When Tom saw Zack's humble look, Tom felt unprecedented satisfaction. For the past four years, he had always been insulted by Zack.

"It seems that you have offended the Howard Family a lot. Let me guess. Did you tell Samuel how you kicked me out of the Scott Family and took this as a tool to show off?" Tom said with a fake smile.

Zack's heart skipped a beat and cursed. When did Tom, a loser, become so smart? "These are all misunderstandings. You are Phoebe's husband and our son-in-law in the Scott Family. How can we really kick you out? Tom, you are so righteous and generous that you won't be mean to us, right?" Zack bent down and said at Zack's feet.

"Misunderstandings? I don't think they are misunderstandings. You call me "trash" all the time. Who has ever treated me as one of your own families?" When Tom said this, he couldn't help but get excited. "How much anger and humiliation have I suffered after I joined you Scott Family? Especially you, Zack! Have you done insulting me? Did you try to get Brian to propose to Phoebe and tried to humiliate me so much? Haha, you don't expect me to know Samuel, right?

You don't understand why I could invite Samuel to celebrate Richard's birthday!"

"Now you've offended the Howard Family so much that you recollected me. You want me to call Samuel to explain it as a misunderstanding? I tell you, no way!"

Tom almost gritted his teeth and said this all. In the end, his eyes were red and bloodshot.

Zack panicked even more. He pleaded, "Tom, these are all misunderstandings, misunderstandings!"

Tom ignored him and turned to leave again.

How dare Zack let him go? Zack caught

up with Tom and Zack was sweating and was about to cry.

"Get out of here. If you stop me again, I'll call Samuel right now and destroy you Scott Family!" Tom said coldly.

Zack was really about to cry. He could only watch Tom leave.

However, when Tom walked out of the crowd, he saw a beautiful woman standing in front of him and she was staring at him.

She was none other than Phoebe.

When Tom saw her, his body trembled, his nose was sore, and the pain in his heart surged up at the same time. He lowered his head to avoid her eyes and left in another direction.

Tom reflexively looked back and saw Phoebe fall to the ground with tears on her face. His heart, which had finally hardened, suddenly softened to her.

Phoebe sat on the ground and looked at him wrongly. He sighed in his heart and scolded himself for being useless. He walked back and helped her to sit on the bench beside him. Without saying anything, he silently massaged Phoebe's injured ankle.

"Tom, I'm sorry..." Phoebe said guiltily.

Tom didn't respond. He massaged Phoebe and got up to leave. From the beginning to the end, he didn't look at Phoebe.

When she saw that he was about to

"Tom!"

Phoebe called out his name.

He paused for a moment and left quickly without stopping.

Phoebe saw him leave and chased after him.

When Tom heard her footsteps, he quickened his pace and then even began to run.

Phoebe also ran along, but she was wearing high heels and was a little woman. How could she catch up with Tom? She accidentally sprained her foot and fell to the ground and let out a terrible scream.

leave, Phoebe grabbed his clothes and pleaded, "Don't go..."

"Aren't you going to marry Brian? Why do you come to me?" Tom tried to make his tone normal, but he could not help but tremble slightly.

Four years of marriage, how could it break up in a few words?

Phoebe said with red eyes, "It was my fault. Forgive me this time, okay?"

When he heard this, especially Phoebe's crying, Tom's heart immediately softened.

Tom was not really a heartless person. When he saw Phoebe begging him like this, he really knew that he was wrong. His anger dissipated, he nodded and

said, "Yes."

Phoebe immediately smiled.

Back at the Scott Family, Richard and the others were waiting anxiously. When they saw Tom coming back, they immediately rushed up to him and apologized to Tom. They explained that what happened just now was a misunderstanding and that they would never drive him out again.

Tom saw that they were quite sincere, and his anger dissipated, so he said that he had forgiven them.

Richard and the others got Tom's forgiveness and couldn't wait to say, "Then you should quickly call the Patriarch of the Howard Family and

tell him that this is a misunderstanding!"

Tom nodded and called Dylan. In a few words, he explained the misunderstanding without revealing his identity.

After he hung up the phone, all the Scotts breathed a sigh of relief. Richard asked carefully, "Tom, how are you related with the Howard Family? Why didn't you tell us before?"

Everyone held their breath and looked at Tom nervously and expectantly.

## Chapter 20

"Last month when I went back to my hometown to pay homage to my ancestors. I went down the mountain to buy water for everyone. Later, I happened to meet Samuel who had heatstroke. I was lucky to save him back, and he was very grateful to me and said he owed me a favor. Since today is grandfather's birthday, I called him over to the Scott Family to add some glory for us. Who knows you... "Tom stopped without finishing the The sentence. meaning of the expression was self-evident.

He clearly saw that all the people in Scott Family were embarrassed.

"Smack!"

A loud slap sound reached to all people's ears. Zack slapped himself hard and scolded, "Damn it! If I had known that, I would have been the one to buy water that day, and the person who saved Samuel should have been me as well!"

The others also showed a look of remorse. Last month, when they went back to their hometown to pay respect to their ancestors, they had run out of water. No one of them was willing to go buy water, so they asked Tom to do it. However, they never thought that Tom would have a lucky break! If they had known that they would bump into Samuel if they went to buy water personally, they would not have missed this opportunity to have a meteoric

#### rise!

Tom was very happy to see how regretful they were. In the past few years, he had been discriminated against and bullied in the Scott Family. Last month, when he returned to his hometown to worship his ancestors, everyone left him to do the dirty work alone. Now it seemed like that they were really regretful.

Elizabeth changed her bad attitude towards Tom and said obsequiously, "Tom, since Samuel owes you a favor, he won't refuse your request, will he? Could you call Samuel one day and ask him to introduce a girl from the Howard Family to Logan? Your brother should consider getting married."

James also said, "Yes, as his brother-inlaw, you should consider more for him. Your brother always respects you a lot."

When Tom heard this, he was unhappy.
"When did Logan respect me?" He thought.

"Hey, Logan is still young. He is in college now, so he doesn't need Tom to introduce girls for him!" One of the elders of the Scott Family gave James and Elizabeth a bad look, then smilingly said to Tom, "Tom, in fact, I always regard you as a promising man. I often told your parents-in-law that you are an excellent man who will definitely have a bright future, but your parents-in-law still do not believe me. As expected, it turned out that a piece of

gold would shine when it's exposed to the light! Samuel is the richest person in our H City, and it's difficult for many people to just see him; however, you can let him personally come here with a phone call, and he also brings so many gifts over. Tom, you really win honor for our Scott Family!"

This elder named Victor was Zack's father and Phoebe's uncle. His flattery words were pleasing to ears. People who didn't know him well would think he really liked Tom.

Then he changed the topic immediately and his smile became even bigger. "Tom, our company is in trouble now. Could you show our plight to the Patriarch of the Howard Family and let him take care of our

Scott Family's business in the future?
We will all appreciate your contributions!"

Tom sneered. In the past, Victor had humiliated him a lot. He called Tom "country bumpkin" and disdained him from the bottom of his heart. Now that Victor saw that he had a relationship with Samuel, he changed to flatter him. Tom looked down on this kind of person from the bottom of his heart.

The others did not want to fall behind and they all surrounded Tom to say what they wanted and hoped that Tom could satisfy them.

Looking at their greedy faces, Tom felt a wave of nausea.

He said awkwardly, "I can't meet all your needs."

"What? Tom, what do you mean?"

"What?! We indeed took a bad attitude towards you just now, but you shouldn't be that stingy. We are your elders at least."

"You saved Samuel's life and he owes you a great favor, so it would be easy for you to satisfy our requests. As our son-in-law in the Scott Family, you won't even help us with this little favor?"

They all began to blame Tom.

Tom sneered in his heart and continued to pretend to be embarrassed, "Elders, it's not that I

don't want to help you, but that I can't help you. I saved Samuel. He owes me a good favor, but this favor has been paid off."

Hearing this, they were all stunned.

Tom went on to say, "Alas. I invited Samuel to come over to celebrate the birthday of grandpa and he didn't regard this as repaying me. But you guys drove me away just now, so Samuel became angry. He once said he would destroy the Scott Family. Just now I called to calm him down, but the favor was paid off. He is the head of the Howard Family and of mighty power. Thus, he wouldn't come and leave at my will!"

Their expressions were stiff and they

felt as if they had eaten shit. If they had known this result, they wouldn't have driven Tom out at all.

Zack thought of something and hurriedly asked, "We don't want Samuel to pay off the favor, but could he give back the birthday gifts for grandpa? Since he gave them to grandpa, they would be the properties of our Scott Family!"

The others also came to their senses. Yes, Samuel sent two century-old ginsengs, Song Dynasty Blue and White Porcelain, an expensive calligraphy collection, and most importantly, ten million dollars in cash! This would be worth twenty or thirty million!

"Did they take back all the birthday gifts?" Tom asked curiously.

"Yes, yes. They're all taken back. It's worth twenty or thirty million dollars. Tom, make a phone call quickly and ask Samuel to send the birthday gifts over. How can he take back the gifts?" Victor said unhappily. His words were echoed by others. Now the Scott Family was very poor. Not to mention twenty or thirty million dollars, two or three million dollars would be a large sum.

However, Tom sighed and said, "Elders, how can you let Samuel take back the birthday gifts so easily? Do you think these gone things could come back? Anyway, I have nothing to do with Samuel now. He was impatient with me on the phone just now. I can't get

back the birthday gifts."

"No way..."

"Oh my god, what have we done!"

"Twenty or thirty million dollars just disappeared..."

Many of the Scott Family members complained regretfully as if they had lost their parents.

Richard's face turned red, and he finally couldn't hold back and slapped several Scott Family members and said, "It's all your fault! You brats! You embarrassed Tom and even drove him out, then offended Samuel! Originally, the Scott Family could cling to the Howard Family to gain great benefits, but now we have nothing. Even my

birthday gift was lost, you bastards! I'll kill you, I'll kill you all!!!"

Richard was gutted. He hit Zack and the others in the face like a madman. It was really a great scene.

Knowing that Samuel would never talk to Tom again, they thought Tom was useless, so the Scott Family resumed their bad attitude towards him, and even began to complain that Tom did not tell them about knowing Samuel in advance, wasting a chance to make a fortune!

On the way home, his mother-in-law, Elizabeth kept nagging, getting angrier and angrier, and she poked Tom's forehead a few times.

Until Phoebe couldn't stand it any longer, she glared at Elizabeth and scolded, "Mom! Can you stop? From the beginning to the end, Tom didn't do anything wrong! If Tom hadn't called Samuel to plead him, our Scott Family would have been destroyed."

"Hey! Phoebe, who are you supporting? I'm your mother, and still contradicting you're me?" Elizabeth scolded with her crossed arms, "Besides, did I say anything wrong? If he had said earlier that he had saved Samuel's life, would this happen today? He does not care about this family at all! What's more, when you have to sleep with Mr. Cook for us to borrow 20 million dollars from him to turnover, Tom was apathetic. If he has some conscience and was a real man, he shouldn't be like this! Twenty million dollars for Samuel is just pocket money, isn't it?!"

Hearing this, Phoebe was also frustrated.

this.

However, she still could not help but complain to him. Why didn't Tom kept repeating to tell her? As long as Tom kept repeated, she would believe him!

The more she thought about it, the more uncomfortable she felt.

Mr. Cook would be back tomorrow. She would be with Mr. Cook for three days and nights. It would be a hell of days!

Tom knew that he was being complained about by Phoebe, and he felt bad about it. At this time, James said, "Tom, you should have borrowed 20 million from Samuel. It's not too late to hand it over now!"

## Chapter 21

Tom saw Phoebe's expression and explained hurriedly, "Phoebe, I'm not doing nothing. I..."

Phoebe interrupted him, "I know. You told me a few times, but I didn't believe you."

Elizabeth's face changed. She asked, "What do you mean? Tom gave you 20 million, but you rejected him?"

Phoebe bit her lip and didn't say anything. Now she regretted it. Tom had told her more than once that he had 20 million and could help her through the difficulties, but she didn't believe and scolded him! Objectively speaking, Tom could not be blamed for

"I didn't borrow money from Samuel." Tom lowered his head and said.

Hearing this, Elizabeth became even angrier. She slapped Tom on the face and cursed, "You're such a loser! If anyone else had the chance to get a big favor from Samuel, they would have made rapid advances in their career! Well, God gave you a chance to get rich, but you wasted it! Tom, I know what you're thinking. You called Richard's Samuel over 70th on birthday to pretend to be something. You want everyone to think that you're something and flatter you, don't you? You want Phoebe to be proud of you. Is that how you do it? You don't even care about your wife. You just want to keep your face!"

Tom's face was burning with pain. He explained, "Mom, it's not what you think. I didn't call Samuel here to pretend to be something..."

"Then what are you doing for? Say it! You can't, can you?" Elizabeth poked Tom's head and spat on his face. "Two century-old ginseng, blue and white porcelain of the Song Dynasty, and ten million in cash as a gift. How impressive! You used your good luck in exchange for a favor from Samuel, but it was given to Richard. Tom, you're really a good-for-nothing! For the past four years, you have been using our money, not theirs! If we hadn't been kind enough to support you, you would have starved!"

Tom felt very uncomfortable being

scolded and wanted to explain. When he saw Phoebe's eyes filled with disappointment and disgust, he was upset again.

"Stop it, mom!" Phoebe rudely interrupted Elizabeth. "Tom didn't do anything wrong. He told me that he could help me with 20 million. I didn't cherish the opportunity. I deserve it. It has nothing to do with him! Besides, he saved Samuel. He can do anything with this favor, and none of us have rights to tell him what to do."

Tom felt awful upon hearing her words. It turned out that Phoebe's impression of him had never changed.

Seeing that Phoebe was disappointed, he really wanted to tell her his true

identity, but he bit back his words.

There was no need for that. Phoebe probably wouldn't believe him. Even if she believed, it would only make her look down on him and think that he was playing tricks on her.

So he held back. There would be ample time. Since he had inherited from his grandfather and had plenty of money, Phoebe would fall in love with him one day!

Phoebe waited for him to explain, Tom did not speak for a long time. He lowered his head and was absentminded. She was even more disappointed and disgusted with Tom. At the same time, she laughed at herself. She had been married to him

for four years. Didn't she know Tom well enough? Did she really expect Tom to be manly?

Seeing that Phoebe was really angry, Elizabeth stopped abusing Tom and thought him an unpleasant person. As soon as she got home, she ordered Tom to do housework. She even changed her clothes immediately and threw them to Tom just to torture him.

Tom did not say a word about this and endured silently.

When Tom finished these chores, they all finished eating. There were only a few leftovers. He ate them hungrily.

This night, Tom and Phoebe did not talk to each other or even have a

chance to look at each other. Phoebe put on a cold face and pretended no to see him.

When Tom woke up the next day, he saw a new divorce agreement on the dresser. Phoebe's name was signed on it, and there was a note beside it. It was written by Phoebe: Tom, I'm going to accompany Mr. Cook tonight. I don't blame you for not helping me. I deserve it. I've signed this divorce agreement. As long as you sign your name, we'll officially divorce, so I will not cheat on you. It's all up to you if you don't want a divorce and are willing to stay with a shameful woman like me.

Tom looked at the divorce agreement and became serious. "Phoebe, don't worry, I won't let anything happened to

you!"

He took out his phone and made a call. When the call was answered, he said without hesitation, "Samuel, I'll wait for you at Chelsea Cafe in 20 minutes. If you can't make it in 20 minutes, you know the consequence."

After that, he hung up the phone.

Samuel was in his mistress's villa. He had just taken a shower and was about to indulge himself. When he received Tom's call, he was shocked and did not dare to delay at all. He quickly got up from the bed but accidentally fell, and it hurt like hell.

The beauty on the bed was unhappy. She said coquettishly, "Honey, you just came here. Why are you leaving? Did your wife call you? I don't care. I want you to accompany me today!"

As she spoke, the beauty grabbed Samuel's hand and wouldn't let him go. Samuel slapped her in the face fiercely and said, "Get lost, let go of me! If I am delayed, I will kill you!"

The beauty was frightened. She had known Samuel for so long. It was the first time that she had seen him so flustered and angry.

Samuel was panic. He had a long way to Chelsea Cafe. It usually took him half an hour to get there. Now that Tom only gave him 20 minutes, he couldn't afford to waste a second!

He had watched Tom grow up and knew Tom very well. Although Tom usually looked harmless, nothing could change him when he made up his mind. Now that the Howard Family was in a financial crisis, it would be doomed if he offended Tom.

So he didn't even bother to put on his clothes. He just ran out in his pants and got into the car. He shouted to the driver, "Go to Chelsea Cafe. 20 minutes... No, I need to be there in 18 minutes. If you can't make it, get out of here!"

The driver shuddered when he heard this. How dare he drag his feet? He stepped on the accelerator, and the Rolls-Royce Phantom rushed out right away.

# Chapter 22

"Tom, I make it. Exactly twenty minutes. I'm not late." Samuel had an ingratiating smile on his face and bowed slightly in a reverent manner. If the Scott Family saw this, they would be too stunned to believe their eyes.

Tom looked at his sweaty face and said thoughtfully, "Look at your sweat. I'm so sorry to put you in such a hurry. You won't be angry with me, will you?"

Samuel hurriedly shook his head and said in a fluster, "of course not! How could I be angry with you?"

"Really?"

"Positively no!"

They overtook the cars and ran the red lights. Finally, they arrived at Chelsea Cafe in 19 minutes. Samuel got out of the car and ran in as fast as he could.

There were many people drinking coffee. When they saw him rushing in, they frowned and were displeased. But soon, they were all shocked seeing a Rolls-Royce Phantom park outside. They knew he was a super big shot!

Especially after that, when they saw such a big shot running up to a young man in cheap clothes and talking obediently, they were even more dumbfounded.

Tom chuckled and sipped his coffee languidly.

Samuel also ordered a cup of coffee and then said cautiously, "Tom, do you call me because you have something to talk with me?"

Tom kept him dangling for almost a minute before nodding gently. It was humiliating for Samuel but he hid his anger well, afraid of offending him.

"Actually, it's not a big issue. I just forgot to bring money and hope you can kindly pay my bill." Tom said delightedly.

Upon those words, the smile on Samuel's face froze, and a burst of rage rushed up from his chest and straight

### to his head!

He had never ever been humiliated like this before and was always treated with great respect throughout the whole H City. He almost lost his temper, but the sneer on Tom's face sent a shudder down his spine and he suppressed his fury.

Tom was not the Tom he used to be. He couldn't afford to mess with him.

He took a deep breath and pinched his thigh hard to keep himself calm. He squeezed out a smile and said, "So that's it. No problem. I'll pay your bill right away."

After he stood up, Tom asked, "After 50 billion dollars vanished all of a sudden,

how has your life been in the Howard Family?"

Samuel paused, fury and indignation flashing across his face. "Tom, what happened four years ago was our fault. We wronged you and have been regretting it ever since. We have always wanted to find you back and make it up to you."

He was really good at making a show of looking repentant. He even had tears in his eyes. If Tom hadn't known him, he would have bought it.

Tom was dismissive of him in his heart but pretended to be moved, "Uncle, do you really think so? Can I really go back to the Howard Family?" Seeing Tom rise to the bait, Samuel gloated secretly, despising Tom as a credulous fool. On the surface, he offered sincerely, "Of course! You are my brother's only son. You have the Howard's blood in you. You're welcome to come home anytime!"

However, Tom looked as something struck him and the joy on his face was replaced by rue. "But I... In order to retaliate against the Howard Family, I donated the 50 billion dollars that I inherited from the grandpa in anger. I can't help the Howard Family."

"What?!" Samuel flared up because of his words. He jumped to his feet, his eyes wide open, his face flushing with anger, and his body trembling. "Youyou donated all the money? You bastard, you bastard! I..."

Seeing Tom sitting there calmly and smiling at him wryly, not rueful at all, Samuel instantly realized that he was fooled.

For a moment, he stood there and cringed.

"Uncle, it seems that there are other reasons why you want me back." Tom said sarcastically.

In his heart, Samuel called Tom a bastard and cursed him violently, but he didn't say a single word, just smiling awkwardly.

Tom had achieved his goal. He didn't want to waste any time with Samuel and said directly, "It's not impossible

for me to go back to the Howard Family. I'll be upfront. Four years ago, you framed me for harming grandpa and expelled me. I am not over that. If you play nice and allay my anger, I may come back."

Samuel breathed a sigh of relief. Things would be much easier as long as Tom was willing to come back. "Tom, what compensation do you want? You can have anything we have!"

Tom took a sip of coffee and didn't answer immediately. After a while, he said, "ZQ Media is valued two billion now, right?"

"Yes." Samuel nodded. He didn't understand why Tom mentioned the company. The Howard Family had an

array of industries in various fields. That company with a market value of two billion dollars was just an unremarkable one among them.

Tom said, "Since you're so sincere, I intend to buy the ZQ Media for 2.5 billion dollars, 500 million dollars more than its market value. What do you say?"

Although Samuel couldn't make heads or tails of Tom, he definitely wouldn't refuse money. Moreover, now that the Howard Family was in a financial crisis and the capital chain was broken, with this 2.5 billion dollars, it could have a respite.

"It's a deal!" Samuel agreed. "When do we sign the contract?"

"Now. Also, I don't want the Howard Family to gossip around about my identity."

"Understood! I'll see to that!"

Samuel was very efficient. After less than half an hour, the transfer process was completed. From now on, Tom was the biggest shareholder of the ZQ Media, holding 60 % of its shares.

There were two reasons why he acquired the ZQ Media. First, his father founded this company, and it had been his wish to buy it back. Second, Mr. Cook, who wanted to get Phoebe laid, was a manager in this company.

Rumors said Mr. Cook was rich and

powerful, so he wanted to see for himself.

"Phoebe, I said I would protect you, and I will keep my word!" Tom clenched his fists and determination flickered through his eyes.

After the transfer process, Samuel immediately informed the top executives of the news and warned them to treat their new boss carefully. He revealed that Tom had a strong background and was extremely rich! It put lots of strain on the top executives and they were all nervously waiting for the coming of the big boss.

The self-styled beauties in the company, including female staff and stars, all dressed themselves with

scrupulous care in case that the big boss got an eye on them.

The male leaders in the company also racked their brains to get the new boss like them.

Mr. Cook, as the manager of the ZQ Media, was completely confused when he heard the news. He knew the company was on the wane and its profits were shrinking because of too many rivals. Why would someone acquire a company like it?

Regardless of the new boss's lack of business acumen, at least one thing was certain: he was super rich!

He must treat such a man carefully.

And an idea struck him when he

thought of the beautiful woman who would spend the night with him today.

The man poked at the security guard's head and scolded him with a bad attitude, "How did you do it and let the electric bicycle drive here? Do you know what kind of car I drive? Volkswagen Touareg, a car that costs hundreds of thousands of dollars. Now it needs thousands of dollars to repair it. This is equivalent to your two months' salary!"

The security guard bent even lower, apologized repeatedly, and then cursed with a gloomy face, "Whose electric bicycle is it? Who! Stand out for me!"

There were a lot of people around, and no one came forward to admit it.

## Chapter 23

Tom did not know that the board of ZQ Media had already paid their attention to him. Now that he had completed the handover procedures, he planned to go to the ZQ Media. As soon as he arrived and parked the electric bicycle, he heard a "Bang" and found that his electric bicycle had actually been knocked over.

"Whose electric bicycle is this? It scratched my car!"

A man got out of the car and cursed angrily with a frown.

The security guard trotted over and bowed to apologize. "I'm sorry, I'm sorry, It was my negligence."

The security guard was so angry that he shouted, "You don't have the courage to take the blame for what you did, right? What a son of bitch! If you don't come out, I'll smash your electric bicycle!"

As he spoke, he took out the iron bar and was about to smash it.

"It's my bicycle." Tom walked out of the crowd.

When the security guard saw that Tom was wearing inferior clothes, he could tell that Tom was an ordinary worker. He pointed at Tom's nose and scolded, "Who told you to park your bicycle here?"

Tom asked, "Who said I can't park

here? There are a few parked next to you."

The security guard didn't know how to answer immediately. Strictly speaking, electric bicycles were allowed to park here.

While he was stammering, the man just now stood out and stared at Tom, saying in a superior tone, "I don't allow it!"

"Are you the boss of the ZQ Media? If you say I can't park, then I can't park here?" Tom frowned and said. He was very unhappy. He had just spent 2.5 billion dollars to buy the ZQ Media. This was the first time he came here and made an appearance. But he encountered this thing which made

a million dollars in a year!"

"The key is that he's still so handsome. He's a typical rich son-in-law."

"Look at the hundreds of thousands of Volkswagen Touareg he drives. He's really young and promising..."

There were many young women who came to the ZQ Media for interviews. When they heard that the other party was the head of the Personnel Department, and they were about to come to the ZQ Media for an interview, their gaze at Patrick immediately turned hot. If they could hook up with Patrick, they would not have to worry about not getting into the ZQ Media.

him unhappy.

The other party snorted and said, "I'm Patrick, the head of the Personnel Department of the ZQ Media. I said that you can't park here, then you can't park here. So what? Do you have a problem with that?"

Hearing his words, a lot of people around him exclaimed.

"Wow, this handsome man looks younger than thirty years old. He's already the head of a department of the ZQ Media. That's great!"

"Yes, I heard that ZQ Media has a market value of two billion dollars now. As the head of the Personnel Department, he must have made over

Every one of them had a dream of being a star. They would do anything to be famous.

When Patrick heard these voices, his waist straightened and the smile on his face deepened. In fact, he was only the head of the Personnel Department. His annual salary was only about 500,000 dollars, but it was enough for him to be respected by others. Over the past two years, he had used his power to secretly sleep with the new recruits, and his life was very comfortable.

Now he especially enjoyed being admired by women.

Tom frowned even more when he saw Lee's complacent look. No wonder the ZQ Media had been getting worse and worse in the past few years as it kept recruiting some people who were not qualified. When he took office, he had to ask these people to get lost. He didn't spend 2.5 billion dollars on the ZQ Media to lose money.

Seeing that Tom was silent, Lee thought that Tom was afraid, and Lee's expression became even more arrogant and evil. "Now you know that you shall be afraid? Open your eyes to see where you are! This is the ZQ Media. It is not a place where you, a loser, can come! Now that your electric bicycle has scratched my Volkswagen Touareg, the repair fee will be 8,000 dollars. I don't expect you to be able to pay 8,000 dollars as you wear such cheap clothes. Since it is the first time that you had made this mistake, I'll charge you half. Give me 4,000 dollars and I won't argue with you about this."

"What? You don't want to? I'm telling you that you're lucky to meet me. I'm generous enough to take half of your money and not argue with you. If it were someone else, you wouldn't get rid of this unless you pay ten thousand dollars!" Patrick said loudly.

Tom sneered. Not to mention that his car was not Touareg but Tiguan L. This small scratch could be repaired by spending less than a thousand dollars. Patrick actually wanted to blackmail him 4,000 dollars. Lee was so scheming.

"You're really scheming. First of all, this car of yours is not Touareg but Tiguan L

and it is one with a 1.4 T low configuration. With the discount, it could be bought at about 230,000 dollars. How dare you say it's Touareg? With this scratch, it could be repaired with a thousand dollars at most. You ask me to give you four thousand dollars. How dare you say you're magnanimous?" Tom said disdainfully.

When the others heard this, they looked at Patrick a little differently. Some of the men said, "I just said that why this car looks so familiar. It turns out that it is just a Tiguan L with a low configuration. I thought he was really a rich man."

"Yes, it's too scheming to charge someone 4,000 dollars for a repair fee that doesn't even cost a thousand dollars!"

"And it was he who didn't drive well enough and hit other's electric bicycle."

Hearing these discussions, Patrick's face darkened and threatened Tom to call the police. At this time, a beautiful young woman came over and said to Patrick, "Mr. Lee, I'm sorry I'm late."

Patrick's eyes lit up when he saw this woman. He swept the gloom off his face and made himself look handsome. "It's okay. I just arrived."

Tom was a little surprised to see this woman. Wasn't this Phoebe's friend, Megan, who was doing the live broadcast and was relatively popular? Tom didn't have a good impression of

her because she was a very gold-digger.

Megan also saw Tom and frowned.
"Tom? Why are you here? You don't have to do housework?"

Her tone did not hide her contempt and ridicule for Tom.

Patrick was stunned and asked, "Miss Watson, do you know him?"

Megan sneered and said, "Yes, he is the husband of a friend of mine. He is very 'famous' in our circle!"

She deliberately emphasized the word "famous," and the meaning of ridicule was self-evident.

Patrick caught Megan's contempt for

Tom. He rolled his eyes and thought of some bad ideas. He said, "Miss Watson, it turns out that you know him. Then I won't argue with him as his bicycle scratched my car for your sake."

"Hmm? Did this guy scratch your car?"
After Megan understood what had happened, she sneered and said, "Mr. Lee, you don't have to save me face. We are not good friends. You can do whatever you want."

Patrick knew that Megan would say that. He said proudly to Tom, "Tom, right? From your face, I know that you are poor and undisciplined. Even Miss Watson, who is so easy to talk with, has been offended by you."

He flattered Megan with one sentence,

which made Megan's impression of him better. He continued, "I'm warning you for the last time. Pay up quickly, or I'll call the police. Your behavior is enough for the police to keep you in custody for half a month, you know?"

He threatened Tom as if he thought that Tom was a legal illiterate.

At this moment, Tom's phone rang. He took it out and saw that it was Elliot, the manager of the ZQ Media. "Hello, chairman, where are you? We can go down and welcome you."

## Chapter 24

Elliot's tone was very respectful.

Not long ago, he found out that the new big boss had bought ZQ Media with 2.5 billion dollars, which was five hundred million more than the market value. What did this mean? It meant that the new big boss was extremely rich!

He was willing to do anything for such a powerful boss.

Tom smiled thoughtfully and said, "I'm downstairs, but I didn't see you."

"Ah? You're downstairs already?!" Elliot was shocked and said hurriedly, "I'm coming, I'm coming!" After Tom hung up the phone, Patrick said disdainfully, "Oh, how dare you call someone here? Are you going to call a group of delivery people? Hahaha..."

His words caused a group of people to laugh at him.

Megan was also filled with disdain when she saw Tom pretending to be on the phone.

Tom looked at Megan dressed up and said with an odd expression, "Megan, are you coming to join the ZQ Media?"

Megan snorted and said, "It's none of your business."

Tom was overjoyed. He didn't expect such a coincidence. As soon as he bought the ZQ Media, Megan came to apply for the job. Looking at the other party, it seemed that she still wanted to be a star. Tom felt it a little interesting.

Megan was a gold-digger. As Phoebe's useless husband, he had been ridiculed by Megan for the past few years, and Megan secretly urged Phoebe to divorce him several times. If Megan knew that he, the trash she looked down on, was now the new chairman of the ZQ Media, how wonderful would her expression be? Would she kneel down and flatter him immediately?

This impulse was very strong, but Tom held it back. There was no need.

"Megan, didn't you say you opened a

company and made a lot of money? Why did you come to ZQ to find a job?" Tom said with a smile.

His smile became display a shamelessness in Megan's eyes. She was even more disgusted with Tom. She did open a small company a while ago, less than half a year later, she lost all her money and owed a lot of debts. She had no choice but to come out to find a job. A friend told her that there was a plan to train new stars and suggested that she could try it out. She thought it could work because she thought she was pretty and fit, and even felt that many female celebrities in the entertainment industry couldn't compete with her. If she was lucky, she might really become a popular star.

okay to be recruited to ZQ."

Megan took back her mean look, put on a sweet and cute look, smiled sweetly and said to Patrick, "Mr. Lee, sorry to trouble you. It's good to know you."

When Patrick heard that he was full of energy, he wanted to pounce on and have Megan immediately!

Tom couldn't help but laugh when he saw them like this. "Megan, you've misjudged this time. You can't get into ZQ if you count on this Lee."

Megan was annoyed to hear him speak and laughed back in anger. "Oh, if he wasn't reliable, do you think you can make it?" However, when Tom said that, she was still very annoyed and said rudely, "Tom, what right do you have to say that about me? I'm here to find a job in ZQ. It's better than a useless person like you living by Phoebe's side, isn't it?"

Her words were harsh and unpleasant, which did not match with her sweet and lovely person. Many people looked at her with a little more repulsion.

After Megan finished speaking, she regretted it. She was coming to ZQ to apply for a female star, so her image was very important. Thinking of this, she felt even more disgusted with Tom.

Patrick said thoughtfully, "Miss Watson, don't worry. I'm the minister of personnel. You're my friend. It's

Tom smiled and said, "You really guessed right. I can really let you into ZQ. For the sake of being Phoebe's friend, you should apologize to me now and call me Brother Tom, then I'll let you in ZQ, and I'll give you many resources to make you a big star."

## Poof!

Megan couldn't help but laugh. "Hahaha, did I hear you right? You're such a trash, and you said you can let me in ZQ and help me be the star? Tom, you've successfully refreshed my understanding of fools."

Everyone else laughed and looked at Tom like he was a clown.

"Haha, you're so ignorant. Do you

know what level of ZQ Media is? Its market value is two billion dollars, and its backer is the Howard Family of H City. Its annual profit is several hundred million! Even I can't guarantee that I can help Miss Watson be a big star. How dare you, a poor delivery guy, say such big words? I've seen a lot of fools. It's the first time I've seen a fool like you."

Patrick spared no effort to mock Tom.
He could tell that Megan knew this guy
named Tom and had a grudge with him.
Lee mocked Tom and could further
gain the favor of Megan.

Tom looked at them laughing but he was not angry. He still had a smile on his face. He was already looking forward to what the two bitches would

look like when Elliot and the others came down.

But it had been a few minutes and Elliot and the others didn't come down yet.

Patrick was impatient. It was almost office time. He still had to be an interviewer. He urged, "Hey, poor man, pay up quickly, or I'll really call the police and send you to the jail!"

However, at this moment, a group of people came out of the ZQ Building gate in a hurry, looking excited and nervous. Everyone was wearing expensive suits, and it was obvious that they were rich bosses. Among them, the one who walked in the front was a fat man with as expression of rich man.

He was sweating profusely and looked as if he had run out.

This was Elliot, the manager of the ZQ Media, who lent 20 million dollars from the company and asked Phoebe to accompany him for three days and three nights.

When Patrick saw Elliot and the others, he immediately put away his arrogance. His straight waist was bowed. This was ZQ's senior management. Any one of them was his superior, especially Elliot, so Lee tried to curry favor of the big shots!

Seeing them come out, Patrick didn't care about Tom anymore. He quickly went up to them and said respectfully and flatteringly, "Mr. Cook, why are

you down?"

Many people who came to ZQ Company's interview saw Patrick being so humble in front of Elliot and calling him Mr. Cook. They immediately realized that this was the boss of the ZQ Media and wanted to go over and curry favor with him.

Megan was stunned for a moment. She also realized this. She quickly tidied up her appearance, revealed her sweetest and most beautiful smile, and walked towards Elliot.

Elliot looked around for the new chairman and was suddenly surrounded by a group of people. He frowned and showed an unhappy expression, subconsciously wanting to curse. However, he immediately thought that the new chairman said on the phone that he had already arrived at ZQ's downstairs and might be nearby. In order to maintain his image, he quickly smiled and said, "I'm coming down to welcome our new chairman of company!"

He deliberately said this out loud, hoping to be heard by the new boss.

Patrick, as the deputy director of the human resources department, was very different from Elliot. It was difficult for him to talk to Elliot at his usual time. Even if there was a chance, Elliot was very indifferent. It was the first time that Elliot treated him so warmly. At this moment, he was extremely excited, and his whole body

was almost boiling. Then he realized that Mr. Cook and the other leaders came down specially to welcome the new chairman.

Even a leader like Mr. Cook had to come down to greet him personally. The new chairman must be very rich, so he had to perform even better!

So he straightened his back even more and behaved humble. He was going to rush over to flatter the new chairman as soon as he saw him.

## Chapter 25

Their words were heard by many people and immediately caused a huge commotion!

The new chairman of the ZQ Media was a big shot among the big shots. If they could get the favor of the new chairman, they would have great benefits.

For a moment, the crowd became noise. Those beautiful women who were going to apply for the job took out small mirrors to fix their makeup, and tried their best to show their most beautiful side, trying to win the favor of the new chairman.

Megan's blood was boiling, and her lips