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Chapter 691 The Meaning of the Bangle

"Um..." Sonia was taken aback as she reached out to touch her hair and started laughing. "Is that so? I thought you had X-ray vision."

"I do wish that I had X-ray vision," Toby raised his eyebrows before replying, while Sonia felt weird when she heard him.

Then, she looked up and narrowed her eyes at him. "Do you wish to have X-ray vision?"

"Yeah." Toby nodded.

At this moment, Sonia got even more curious. "Why would you want X-ray vision? It's not because you want to see others naked, is it?"

It wasn't surprising for her to reach that odd conclusion, as it was weird that Toby wanted to have X-ray vision.

Based on Sonia's knowledge, the usual reason men would want to have X-ray vision was for peculiar reasons such as seeing naked bodies.

Nevertheless, Toby's lips twitched a little when he heard Sonia before reaching out to flick her forehead. "What are you even thinking? Why would I look at other people's naked bodies? Even if I can, I would only look at yours instead of other people's," he answered earnestly because Sonia jabbed him with her elbow.

Right then, Sonia's face went red before she glared at him. "What are you even talking about? You want to see me unclothed?"

Seriously?! The thing this man says!

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Nevertheless, Toby patted Sonia's shoulder to comfort her. "Alright, alright. I won't."

Despite saying that, he was thinking of the complete opposite.

Even if I don't see it now, I'd still have to see it in the future, though.

At that thought, a sly glint flashed past Toby's eyes before it quickly disappeared. Then, he acted as if nothing had happened and held Sonia's hand.

When he noticed that there was only a woman's watch on Sonia's pale wrist and no other accessories, he didn't look surprised.

Toby didn't give any explanations when he got his men to send Sonia the bangle, so she didn't know what it meant or why did he suddenly give her such an old bangle.

Well, it makes complete sense not to wear it.

"Let's get in the car. It's cold out here." Toby placed Sonia's hands next to his lips before he blew warm breath into her hands so that he could warm up her icy hands.

Sonia didn't resist Toby's action. Since they were dating, resisting would make it look like they weren't a couple.

"Let's go." Sonia nodded.

Then, Toby opened the car door for Sonia while she held her hair and bent down to get into the car. Right when Sonia was one foot in the car, she suddenly heard the shutter going off.

Immediately, she frowned before getting out of the car. She turned toward the direction of the sound—the sound came from the back of the bush at the side of the road.

"Did you hear that just now?" Sonia asked the man next to her while she stared intently at the bush, as if she could see the person behind the bush if she stared harder.

Toby nodded slightly. "I heard someone taking pictures."

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"As expected, I'm not hearing things." Sonia pursed her lips. "It must be those paparazzi again."

Toby hummed in acknowledgement. "It is."

Sonia harrumphed. "Seriously? Why do they keep following me instead of the people in the entertainment field?"

Who are they going after at Paradigm Co. if it isn't me?

"It's normal. Since the news that we got back together was made public, the paparazzi would surely come over to try to get more details on our relationship."

Sonia turned toward Toby. "Are there any paparazzi stationed around Fuller Group?"

"No." Toby shook his head. "None of them dared to station around my company any longer."

Ever since he got his men to teach those paparazzi stationed outside of Fuller Group a lesson, none of them dared to go around Fuller Group anymore.

Upon hearing that, Sonia immediately felt annoyed. "Wow. They really fear the strong while bullying the weak, huh? They can station around Paradigm Co. but don't dare to station around Fuller Group? What do they even see me as? This doesn't sit well with me. I need to go have a look."

Then, she attempted to head toward the bush.

However, the bush started shaking the moment she took a step forward, and it was obvious that the paparazzi saw through Sonia's intention.

At this moment, Toby grabbed her by her arm and stopped her. "You shouldn't confront them. It's just paparazzi anyway. You don't have to care about them."

"But they took our pictures, though?" Sonia frowned while Toby nodded. "I know. Just let them be. After all, we can take this opportunity to let everyone know as well. The news that they reported during the afternoon wasn't fake anyway, so it's fine as long as they don't make fake reports. Of course, if they do that, I'll take action against them."

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Upon hearing that, Sonia could only drop the topic and get into the car again while Toby glanced at the bush coldly.

Right then, the trembles from the bush got stronger.

Nevertheless, Toby ignored it and entered the driver's seat.

After the car drove away, the trembling from the bush finally calmed down as the paparazzi hiding behind it patted his chest and sighed in relief. "They finally left. Oh my goodness. I thought I was going to be murdered when President Fuller gave me that look just now. That was terrifying."

When Toby and Sonia found out that he was hiding behind the bush, he really thought that they would come over to get him to delete the pictures.

Back then, he was so afraid that they might confront him, but he didn't expect them to drive away in the end.

What are they implying? Does it mean that they allowed me to release these pictures?

The paparazzi looked in the direction Sonia and Toby left before staring at his camera again. At this moment, he didn't know what they were trying to do or if he should release the pictures that he had taken.

What if they try to look for trouble after I release these pictures? Wouldn't that mean that it'll be over for me? Still, it would be a pity if I didn't release these pictures. It is really rare to snap an intimate close-up of Toby and Sonia.

The cameraman looked conflicted as he held onto his camera. A while later, he suddenly stood up with determination written all across his face.

You know what? Screw it! I'll upload those pictures!

Since they didn't confront me and ask me to delete the pictures, I guess they're allowing me to release them. Worse comes to worst, I'll quit my job!

You only live once! Go big or go home! I shall take the risk this time around!

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At the thought of that, the paparazzi turned around and headed back to his van.

On the other hand, Sonia suddenly recalled something when she was in the car before she opened her bag and took a box out. After opening the box, she turned toward the man in the driver's seat. "Did you send me this, Toby?"

Toby glanced at the box from the corner of his eyes. Although he couldn't see anything inside the box from the angle, he knew what was inside the box when he saw the box.

After all, he was the one who prepared the box.

Right then, Toby nodded slightly before admitting, "It is."

Sonia sighed in relief before she placed the box down. "I really thought I was being pranked by other people. Still, why would you suddenly send me a bangle out of nowhere? An expensive-looking vintage type at that."

Regardless of how she thought of it, she couldn't come out with a potential reason behind the gift.

Meanwhile, Toby answered while turning the steering wheel, "The bangle is not from me. It's actually a gift from Grandma."

"Grandma?" Sonia was taken aback before she lowered her head and stared at the box in her hands. "Why would she suddenly want to give me this?"

The corner of Toby's lips curled up into a smile. "You should ask her when we get to the hospital. She'll tell you why."

Seeing that Toby refused to answer directly but wanted her to ask Rose about it, Sonia rolled her eyes at him before keeping the box. "I'll ask her, then."

Toby chuckled lightly. "Are you upset?"

"No." Sonia shook her head. "Do you think my temper is that bad?"

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"That's good." Toby nodded before saying again, "It's not that I don't want to explain to you about it, but it's better for Grandma to tell you the meaning of this bangle herself."

"Why?"

"It's a matter of inheritance," Toby explained.

Immediately, Sonia could already guess the meaning of the bangle before her heart started racing. After humming in acknowledgment, she went quiet while her fingers continued stroking the box that contained the bangle.

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Chapter 692 Private Conversation

The words 'inheritance' and 'takeover' reminded her of scenes in drama series where influential families had family heirlooms given to the son or the family's daughter-in-law. That's probably this bangle's purpose.

After all, scenes in drama series were based on real-life stories. The Fullers were influential, so it wouldn't be surprising if they had a family heirloom that was inherited by the son or the daughter-in-law of the family.

Nevertheless, Sonia had no plans to share her thoughts with Toby, as he had already mentioned that Rose would explain the bangle's meaning at the hospital later. Besides, it would be awkward if the honest answer wasn't what she was expecting.

Those who didn't know might even think that she was hoping to inherit a family heirloom from the Fullers, so it was better if she didn't say anything.

In a blink of an eye, Toby and Sonia reached the hospital. After Toby parked the car, the car door was opened by Tom. It was obvious that Tom was positioned there to pick them up.

"President Fuller, Miss Reed," he greeted after the two of them got out of the car.

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While Toby didn't reply to Tom, Sonia smiled at him as an acknowledgment. After that, Tom motioned for them to go ahead. "President Fuller, Miss Reed, Old Mrs. Fuller had instructed me to bring the both of you over to her room."

"Alright. Thank you, Tom." Sonia smiled politely.

"You're welcome." Tom adjusted his glasses and walked ahead of them to lead the way.

However, Toby frowned when he saw the direction where Tom was leading them to. "This isn't the way to Grandma's room."

"It isn't?" Sonia was shocked while Tom smiled before replying, "Indeed, it is not. Old Mrs. Fuller complained that her previous room was too noisy, as there was a noisy kid that stayed in the room next to hers, so she requested me to arrange a new room for her. We are heading to her new room now."

"I see," Sonia commented while Toby nodded slightly and said nothing.

Then, the three of them headed to another hospital building for hospital wards. There were VIP wards in this building as well, and Rose was currently staying in one of them.

As Tom brought Sonia and Toby to the area outside of Rose's ward, they could clearly see what was happening in the ward through the glass window on the door entrance of the ward.

When Sonia saw Rose sitting on her bed while having a conversation with Mary, she smiled. "Looks like Grandma is in a good mood today."

Toby agreed. "Indeed. Let's go in now."

Upon hearing that, Tom reached out to open the door to the ward for Toby and Sonia to enter.

When Rose and Mary saw the couple who came in hand-in-hand, they gave each other a look before smiling with gratification.

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"Young Master Toby, Miss Reed, you guys are finally here," Mary stood up before greeting them cheerfully.

"Grandma, Mary." Sensing Rose and Mary's gaze on her and Toby's intertwined hands, she felt somewhat embarrassed and wanted to pull away from Toby.

Nevertheless, Toby tightened his grip on her hand as if he had already predicted that this would happen, not giving her the opportunity to retract her hand.

Right then, Sonia couldn't help but turn around and glare at him before signaling for him to let go, as Rose and Mary were still watching them. Still, Toby was unbothered as he pulled her toward the hospital bed nonchalantly. He didn't care if other people saw them holding hands.

When they were in front of Rose's bed, Toby didn't shy away from Rose and Mary but raised their intertwined hands up so that they would take a closer look.

At that moment, it was already too late for Sonia to pull away from him. After all, it'd be rude and disrespectful for her to fight Toby off in front of Rose and Mary. Even if they liked her, they'd probably feel uncomfortable if they saw her doing that. Thus, Sonia had no choice but to turn toward Rose and Mary with a forced smile on her face. She still hadn't thought of a way to face the two elders as Toby's girlfriend again, but Toby had forced her to the edge of a cliff right then.

"Grandma, I've brought Little Leaf over to see you," Toby held Sonia's hand before greeting Rose. The older lady then glanced between Toby and Sonia before she nodded with a smile. "Hello... Hold on..."

The smile on Rose's face disappeared when she realized that something was wrong before she frowned. "What did you just say? Who did you bring to see me? Little Leaf? Who is Little Leaf?"

She looked at Toby with a stern expression on her face. "You little punk, have you been sleeping around again?"

Right then, Mary gave Toby a displeased look, as if she was staring at a womanizer.

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Upon noticing that, Sonia covered her mouth and turned around before giggling secretly. At the same time, Toby ruffled her hair and stared at Rose helplessly before explaining, "Grandma, Little Leaf is Sonia."

"What?" Rose looked visibly stunned before she turned toward Sonia while Sonia nodded with a smile on her face. "It's me, Grandma."

"Sonia, when did you change your name?" Rose was confused.

At the same time, Mary nodded along curiously as well.

Right then, Sonia politely said, "That's a nickname that my mother had given me before she passed away, and my father had been addressing me with this name ever since, so it's kind of a special name that my parents addressed me."

"I see." Rose nodded in realization. Looks like these two younglings are really close if she allows him to address her using a nickname that was only used by her parents. I won't have to worry any longer if that's the case.

"By the way, Toby, I'll need your help to settle the discharge procedure. I'm well now, and it's really boring staying in the hospital, so I'm leaving tomorrow," Rose said while staring at Toby.

At this moment, a knowing look flashed past Toby's face before he nodded and agreed. "Alright. I'll do it now." Then, he gave Sonia a look and left the ward.

Toby knew Rose only wanted him to excuse himself, so she could be alone with Sonia. An easy task like filling in the discharge paperwork could be done by their staff, after all. I shall let them talk, then. Nevertheless, he wasn't planning to expose her little ruse and left instead.

After pouring two glasses of water for Rose and Sonia, Mary suddenly spoke up. "Old Mrs. Fuller, I suddenly remember that the chicken soup that I've ordered still isn't here yet. I'm not really sure what had happened, so I'm going to go out to make a call now."

"Sure." Rose chuckled.

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"Alright," Mary replied before leaving.

At the same time, Sonia also knew that the chicken soup issue was probably an excuse for Mary to leave the room so that Rose and she could speak privately, just like how Toby left just now. Still, she didn't know what Rose wanted to talk to her about, so she lowered her gaze.

In no time, only Sonia and Rose were left in the room, and it became hushed as Sonia helped Rose to cover her body with the blanket. "Grandma, do you have something that you want to talk to me about?"

Right then, Rose chuckled. "It's not really anything serious. I just wanted to ask you if you got back into a relationship with Toby because you're really in love with him or because he was your lifesaver?"

"Grandma, what made you want to ask about this all of a sudden?" Sonia tilted her head in confusion before Rose sighed. "I've found out that Toby fell off a cliff with you after he tried to protect you previously."

"You knew?" Sonia was shocked, while Rose nodded. "Yeah."

Despite already knowing about it earlier, Rose didn't know that the fall had further damaged Toby's heart.

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Chapter 693 A Gift for My Daughter-In-Law

Thus, when Rose heard from Tom yesterday that Toby's heart condition was worsening, she got so anxious she fainted.

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Although Sonia didn't know what was going on in Rose's mind, she stood up and bowed to Rose apologetically after knowing that Rose had found out about the cliff incident. "Grandma, I'm sorry for frightening you regarding the cliff fall."

She thought that Rose had fainted after finding out about the cliff accident. Toby had previously mentioned he wasn't planning to let Rose know about the fall because he was afraid that she might not be able to handle it well.

"Grandma, regarding the accident at the cliff, I was kidnapped by Declan from the Hayes Family in Westsanshire. Declan wanted to get back at Carl. Toby wasn't involved in anything and only jumped off the cliff to save me. In fact, he almost lost his life for me, and I'm really, really, sorry for that. I've almost caused you to lose your grandson." Sonia gave Rose a guilty look.

Nevertheless, Rose got Sonia to stand up again. "You don't have to apologize, Sonia. I know everything that happened, so I won't blame you because you never wanted to involve Toby in it, and you weren't the one who made him jump off the cliff. Everything he has done was his own decision, and I won't blame you for it, so stop feeling guilty."

"Grandma, do you truly think this way?" Sonia looked up at Rose while Rose chuckled and shook her head. "Of course. I've already mentioned that Toby did everything on his own accord, so I can't blame you for things that you didn't ask for. I'm not an irrational old woman, after all. Besides, you guys managed to survive in the end, didn't you?"

Right then, Sonia felt touched as she sat down again. "Although you don't blame me for everything that has happened, I still feel really guilty, though."

"There's nothing to feel guilty about." Rose tried to comfort Sonia by patting the back of her hand. "Truthfully, I'm really happy that Toby did everything that he could to save you because you're the person that he loves. If he doesn't even go all out for the person he loves, I'll look down upon him, and he would have no right to tell you he loves you. In fact, the Fuller Family would be ashamed to claim an imbecile like him to be our grandchildren."

"Is... Isn't that a bit too serious?" Sonia motioned around awkwardly.

Nevertheless, Rose shook her head. "Of course not. Men in the Fuller Family are supposed to be brave enough to sacrifice everything for their loved ones without backing down. It was the same way with his great grandfather, grandfather, and even his father... Although I dislike

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Jean, I had to admit that that vulgar woman won over Homer's heart completely. To be able to marry her, Homer was willing to accept the family rule to give up on all of his shares for Fuller Group to be an unnamed president."

"I see how it is." Sonia nodded her head lightly.

All of the men from Fuller Family sound noble.

Rose continued speaking. "Men in the Fuller Family are known to be loyal. Back when Toby's grandpa, Norman, and I were young, we had gone through a lot together. Norman almost lost his life to save me without an ounce of hesitation when he was younger, even though I told him not to. So, it is impossible for me to blame you and think that it's your fault that Toby saved you when I've experienced the same thing."

"Grandma..." Sonia felt herself tearing up, as it really felt nice to be understood.

Rose grinned. "What's wrong? Are you crying?"

"No." Sonia lowered her head in embarrassment before she rubbed her eyes and changed the topic. "By the way, Grandma, what do you mean when you ask me whether I got back together with Toby because of love or because he saved me?"

She turned toward Rose while Rose tidied up the young lady's stray hair by her ears and explained, "I just thought of it myself as well. I know that you're in love with Toby now, but the pain that he had caused you in the past was real as well, so I was wondering if you're dating Toby again to give him another opportunity or because he saved you without any regards to his own safety, so you felt bad? It would be good to know if you guys got back together because you love each other, as the latter would definitely strain your relationship. Even if you guys love each other, your hearts won't be able to align with each other, and you won't ever be happy."

By then, they would end up breaking up again.

In fact, the relationship would even end on a bad note, and Rose really didn't want to see that as their elder.

Nonetheless, Sonia chuckled when she noticed the worried look on Rose's face. "Don't worry, Grandma. Toby and I are together again because we have feelings toward each other,

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and it wasn't due to kindness. I'm rational enough to know not to mix my feelings and my kindness in a relationship, as they are two different things. If I got together with Toby because I felt bad, it would be unfair for both of us because if I do it out of kindness, I'll remain distant even though we were together. If we cannot be intimate with each other out of love, what's the point of being together? I might as well use other methods to repay him."

"That's true." Rose nodded before Sonia continued on, "You don't have to worry about us, Grandma. If I were to date Toby out of guilt, I would have already done it earlier instead of waiting until this moment. I know what I'm doing, and I know that I forgave him and got back together with him out of love."

Rose felt relieved when she noticed the serious expression on Sonia's face.

Then, she reached out to pat the back of Sonia's hand. "I understand now. Since you guys got back together out of love, you two must be good to each other. What do you think about letting me see my great-grandchildren within two years?"

"Grandma!" Sonia's face went red as she was embarrassed.

However, she couldn't help but worry because of the miscarriage that she had in the past.

Still, Rose didn't notice Sonia's dejected look. Instead, she pursed her lips before smiling when she thought Sonia was embarrassed. "Alright, alright. I won't mention it anymore. By the way, Sonia, did you bring the bangle with you?"

"It's here." Sonia came back to her senses and opened her bag before taking the box out and giving it to Rose.

Then, Rose took the box and opened it before taking the dark green bangle out.

Staring at the bangle, Rose felt a wave of nostalgia. "Sonia, did Toby tell you about the story of this bangle?"

"No." Sonia shook her head. "He did mention that this bangle is related to inheritance and takeover."

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"He's right." Rose placed the bangle down before she explained in a nostalgic tone, "This bangle is passed down by the Fuller Family's ancestors. The Fuller Family's ancestors used to be ancient aristocrats, and the bangle was the King's gift for the family's matriarch. However, after years of modernization, the bangle is now a token of appreciation for the wife of the inheritor of the family."

"The wife of the inheritor of the family?" Sonia stared at the bangle. "That's what he meant by inheritance and takeover, huh? It seems like my guess was correct."

Rose smiled. "Well, it's not really that hard to guess, considering how old the bangle looks."

Sonia hummed in acknowledgment. "You're not wrong."

"Toby's great grandmother gave this bangle to me when I married his grandfather. After that, I gave it to Toby's mother, but she didn't love Toby's father and never thought of herself as the daughter-in-law of the Fuller Family, so she never accepted this bangle. Hence, I kept this bangle and planned to give it to Toby's future wife, which is you."

After saying that, Rose sighed. "I was supposed to give this bangle to you six years ago, but Toby stopped me when I was going to. You, too, knew that there was something wrong with Toby's mind back then, so..."

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Chapter 694 The Heater's Malfunction

"I know." Sonia understood Rose's dilemma, nodding with a smile.

"So, are you sure you don't blame Toby, Sonia?" Rose looked at her and asked.

"Well, like you said, he wasn't in his right mind at that time, so there's no point blaming him. Furthermore, he wasn't acting on his free will anyway." Sonia let out a sigh.

"You know Toby was hypnotized?" Rose appeared surprised.

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"Yes, I do. He told me earlier, and I also confirmed the statement with Tim. After learning the truth that he was hypnotized, I decided to forgive him for what he did to me. Otherwise, I wouldn't have let it go so easily," Sonia answered while flickering her hair.

Rose smiled and nodded. "You have a point, girl. Anyway, I'll give you the bangle now, Sonia. I know I should have done this six years ago, but I'm glad that it still manages to find its way to its rightful owner. As you both grow older, you can pass this down to your daughter-in-law."

"No. No, Grandma." Sonia shook her head, showing reluctance to accept what the old lady was giving her. "I can't accept this bangle. I may have rekindled the old flames with Toby, but we're still not remarried. Therefore, I'm still not the Fuller Family's daughter-in-law, so I cannot accept this bangle."

"I understand that you and Toby haven't remarried each other, but to me, you're already my grandson's wife, the Fuller Family's daughter-in-law, and that is a fact that will never change. Moreover, don't you want to remarry Toby?" Rose kept her eyes on Sonia.

Sonia was left with her mouth wide agape as she shook her head shortly after that. "I'd love to marry him, but..."

"Well then, that means you're going to remarry Toby, so of course, you can accept this bangle. You're just receiving it slightly earlier." Rose interrupted Sonia's words, seizing her hand as she slid the bangle along her wrist.

Sonia wanted to stop Rose, but before she could make sense of what was going on, the bangle was already on her wrist. Despite its dim greenish appearance, it appeared to be less shiny than the ones that could be found in the jewelry shops. However, the bangle's vintage-looking appearance was something that no other bangles could match. Thus, Sonia looked especially gorgeous with the bangle on her fair wrist that accentuated the uniqueness of her appearance and charm.

Rose then patted the back of Sonia's hand and complimented her. "Wonderful! The bangle looks great on you. See? You're the Fuller Family's daughter-in-law, just like I said."

With her face blushing, Sonia said, "Grandma..."

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While she wanted to take it off, Rose quickly restrained her by holding her hand and spoke with a stern voice. "Don't even think about taking it off. I've already put it on for you, and you mustn't take it off. Wear it all the time, would you?"

Sensing the old lady's serious look, Sonia felt helplessly amused. "Alright, I heard you. I'll wear it with me all the time." Deep down, she was afraid that Rose would throw a tantrum at her if she ever tried to take off the bangle. After all, Sonia reckoned old people like Rose tended to become more and more childish as they grew older, almost like a child's soul trapped in an adult's body.

Noticing Sonia retracting her arm, Rose knew she had given up the idea of removing the bangle. Thus, she smiled gladly, with a benevolent look on her face. "That's my girl."

Sonia smiled in response and retracted her arm, looking down while rubbing her bangle with her palm. Perhaps it was because of Rose's compliment, for she somehow started to believe that the bangle was a perfect match for her. Now that I think of it, it doesn't look old-fashioned at all.

"By the way, Grandma." Sonia looked up and gazed at the old lady with something seemingly springing to her mind. "Why didn't you give this bangle to Jean?" Despite knowing the strained relationship between Rose and Jean, Sonia was aware of the undeniable fact that Jean was married to Toby's father after all, which made her the Fuller Family's daughter-in-law as well. Therefore, she reckoned Jean should have the bangle by now, but judging from Rose's words, she surmised that the bangle had been with the old lady all this time.

The smile on Rose's face faded when she heard Sonia's words. "Guess what? I don't like that lady at all, and neither have I ever approved of her as the Fuller Family's daughter-in-law. After all, all the ladies who married into the Fuller Family went through a legitimate marriage with their husbands, except her." Rose turned her attention to the bangle on Sonia's wrist and added, "None of the daughters-in-law in the Fuller Family is ever a mistress, so I didn't and won't ever give this to her because if I did, I'd be shaming our ancestors."

"Well, you have a point, I guess." Sonia nodded.

"That's why I've never even thought of giving this bangle to her over the years. While she had implied her intention to have it, I brushed her off every single time. Honestly, if she hadn't behaved herself and treated Toby like her own son, I would have cast her out of the family a

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long time ago," Rose answered and chuckled the next second. "Alright, let's not talk about that anymore. It's getting late now, so would you like to stick around and dine with me?"

"Sure." Sonia nodded in agreement.

Rose happily reached for her phone and called Mary, telling her to buy them a meal. "What would you like to eat, Sonia?" Rose asked with the phone in her hand.

Sonia contemplated for a while and replied, "I'll just have whatever you're having since my taste is pretty much the same as yours."

"Alright, I'll get Mary to take care of it for us then," Rose said.

Sonia responded with an affirmative hum and stood up. "Grandma, I need to step outside to make a call. I'll be right back."

"Sure, please go ahead," Rose replied with a chuckle.

Soon, Sonia turned around and walked toward the door. When she exited the ward, she was immediately scared by the sight of a man standing right outside. "Ah!"

Frightened by her scream, Toby stood straight and asked, "Jeez! What's wrong?"

Sonia rolled her eyes upward and gently patted her chest. "What's wrong? You gave me a scare, man. How long have you been standing here?" Seeing how Toby stood still like a statue right outside the ward, Sonia believed anyone would get scared in her place since no one would expect to be greeted by a figure standing right on the other side of the door.

"For a while." Toby raised his wrist and looked at his watch. "I came here as soon as I was done dealing with the discharge procedures." He shifted his gaze to the lady's wrist on her chest, looking closely at the catchy green bangle.

Sensing Toby's gaze, Sonia raised her hand and flashed her wrist in the air. "Grandma put this on for me."

"It looks good on you." Toby praised the lady while curling his lips upward.

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Sonia was delighted upon hearing the man's compliment, evident in the smile on her face when she put down her wrist. "By the way, why didn't you go inside since you were already done with the procedures?" Sonia pointed at the ward's door.

"I was waiting for you to be done talking with Grandma." Toby looked at the lady.

"I see." Sonia nodded and added, "Well, Grandma and I didn't really talk much either anyway. We were talking about the bangle most of the time, in fact."

"I know," Toby replied.

"You heard everything?"

"Only some of it." Toby answered and asked, "What are you doing out here?"

"I came here to make a call." Sonia flashed her mobile phone. "Something went wrong with my heater last night, so I told the technician to help me take a look at it after I'm done with my work. However, I just promised Grandma that I'll dine with her later, so I had to arrange another time with the technician, which was why I was here making the call."

"Oh, come to my place later at night, then." Toby hummed.

"Ugh. What?" Sonia was stunned.

"Well, I know your heater isn't working, but by the time we're done with our dinner and back, it's probably already late, so I don't think we can get anyone to fix it until tomorrow. At the same time, you're going to freeze in your sleep without your heater later at night. What's worse is that you could even catch a cold because of that, so the best way is for you to come over to my place for the night," Toby said, his eyes lighting up with excitement before that subtle expression disappeared.

Nonetheless, Sonia was still able to notice that unobvious expression as she squinted and expressed her doubt. "Why does it seem to me that you're happy about my heater acting up?"

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