

## Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 1021

Maddy looked at her grandfather's white hair and the dejected look on his face, and her heart ached.

She looked at the furious Carlos and shouted, "Dad, how could Grandpa possibly slander his own son for the sake of power? If he were really greedy for power, he wouldn't have given you the position of helmsman, would he?"

"Why are you so afraid of admitting your own mistakes? Why must you do this to Grandpa?"

Tears gushed out of Maddy's eyes uncontrollably.

At this moment, she felt extremely unjust for her grandfather.

Jordan didn't say anything and simply gripped Maddy's hand tightly to comfort and support her silently.

"Shut up! You're in no place to talk here!" Carlos yelled at Maddy. "Don't forget that I've already expelled you from the family, and you're no longer one of us! You have nothing to do with the Stones anymore! You're in no place to say anything!"

"Get lost. Get lost immediately with your man! Don't ever come back!"

He was already infuriated and had nowhere to vent his anger, so Maddy became the perfect outlet for him.

Geoffrey watched everything coldly. "Carlos, do you think you can avoid all the trouble just by driving Maddy out of the family? You're very wrong!"

“Only with Maddy as part of the family can the Stones thrive and achieve greater glory! If you drive her out, with you helming the Stones, I’m afraid the family won’t be far from destruction!”

Since he was extremely disappointed with Carlos, Geoffrey was no longer polite.

Carlos naturally didn’t accept what Geoffrey said, and he hollered furiously, “Maddy is just a woman who practices medicine! Her business and family management skills are far inferior to mine. Why do you speak so highly of her but nitpick on me all the time?”

“I’m telling you, since you don’t have faith in me, I will make brilliant achievements and show you that I can bring the Stones to the peak!”

“I’m going to show you that I’m the most suitable helmsman of the Stones!”

Looking at the raging Carlos, Geoffrey was speechless. “Since you think so, suit yourselves. I hope you won’t regret it in the future!”

Then Geoffrey immediately turned around and walked outside.

Seeing that Geoffrey was extremely upset, Maddy felt a pain in her heart and immediately caught up with him. She held his arm and asked, “Grandpa, where... where are you going?”

Seeing Maddy, Geoffrey smiled kindly.

He stroked her hair. “Maddy, I’m leaving the Stones. But before I go, I have a request I hope you’ll agree to.”

Hearing this, Maddy felt even more anxious. “No, Grandpa, you... you’re already so old. How can you leave the Stones alone? Where are you going? I’ll go with you! At least, I can take care of you!”

Geoffrey showed a heartened smile. “I can still walk, and I’m in good health. I don’t need you to take care of me. Just go ahead and do your own things.

“But no matter what, the Stones raised you. Even if I leave, I’ll still be worried about the family. So, I’d like to ask you and your friends to help the Stones in case we really face a crisis that puts our existence in danger one day. I hope you’ll give us a hand and prevent us from being destroyed.

“Otherwise, I won’t be able to answer to our ancestors when I see them in heaven in the future. Maddy, please promise me, okay?”

Seeing that Geoffrey seemed to be saying his last words, Maddy felt extremely sad, as if her heart was being cut by knives. Her tears couldn’t stop at all.

“Okay, I promise, Grandpa. As long as I’m still alive, I won’t let the Stones be destroyed!” Maddy nodded with tears streaming down her face.

“Haha, what a good girl. I can be at ease with your promise!”

Geoffrey smiled for the first time today, as if a huge burden had been lifted off his shoulders. He then stepped out of the door without looking back.

The rest of the Stones watched him leave and looked at each other before looking at Carlos. They hesitated for a moment but eventually remained quiet.

They didn’t even try to make him stay.

When her grandfather finally vanished out of sight, Maddy looked at Carlos and the other Stones. “All of you will regret it.”

Maddy wiped her tears and left the Stone residence with Jordan.

Soon after the two of them left, Carlos received a call from the Bransons. “Carlos Stone, an hour is about to be up! If I still don’t see your daughter and her boyfriend at my place to confess their guilt and give up their lives, your family will vanish from DC tonight!”

Frightened, Carlos frantically said to the butler over the phone, “Here’s the thing. Maddy was kicked out of the family yesterday, and the Stones have already severed all ties with her. Everything she does no longer has anything to do with our family!

“Moreover, the two of them are heading to the Bransons’ now, just... the two of them. You can do whatever you want to them. They have nothing to do with the Stones anymore!”

The butler snorted. “Kicked out of the family? Do you think this matter will have nothing to do with the Stones just because you’ve done that? Dream on!

“I’m warning you. Mr. Mark is a direct descendant of the Bransons and the future successor of the family. Even if we want your entire family to die with him, it’ll only be right for us to do so!

“Don’t think that you can appease us just by kicking your daughter out of your family and pushing two scapegoats to us! If you, the helmsman, don’t come over to settle this personally tonight, your family will definitely be annihilated!”

With that, the butler hung up.

Carlos was completely dumbstruck and at a loss for what to do. He immediately collapsed to the floor!

The Bransons are refusing to give up just because Maddy has been kicked out. What should I do now?

Are the Stones really going to be wiped out?

At this moment, Carlos's mind was in a whirlwind and full of boundless fear.

A subordinate of his ran over and whispered something into his ear. His eyes immediately lit up as if he found the last straw to clutch at!

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Meanwhile, Jordan and Maddy were driving their car toward the Bransons' manor.

Throughout the journey, Maddy stared silently out the window at the traffic, her eyes red and swollen.

Jordan knew that Maddy was in low spirits because of the various incidents that had happened at the Stones', but he didn't know how to comfort her because the matter mainly concerned her father. He didn't know what to say or do.

Suddenly, Maddy asked, "Jordan, do you think that power and interests are really more important than familial ties and kinship?"

Jordan sighed. "This is only the choice of a small number of people, right? It's just like how Lucas left all his power, authority, and status behind without hesitation just so that he could stay by the side of the people he loves and cares about.

"To me, no power and benefit can compare to a smile from someone I cherish.

"Maddy, I don't know what to say about what happened earlier. But I can actually feel that although Carlos may seem heartless for chasing you out of the family and angering Geoffrey, he's actually feeling terrible too.

"Maybe he's muddled for the moment, but I believe that he'll come to his senses when he realizes his mistakes in the future."

Jordan comforted Maddy while driving.

Maddy smiled bitterly. “I know you’re just trying to comfort me. My father is beyond hope. I don’t expect him to wake up and turn over a new leaf since he always stubbornly insists on his ideas. Besides, even if he really changes his attitude toward me, it will probably be because he sees value in me. Hah, it’s so disheartening.”

“...” Jordan remained silent, not knowing what to say.

After a while, Maddy patted her cheeks, adjusted her emotions, and smiled. “I’m just feeling uncomfortable for now. I’ll be fine soon!”

At this moment, Maddy’s phone rang.

When she saw the caller ID on the screen, a trace of surprise appeared in her eyes. The person calling was her father, Carlos!

Maddy’s heart was lifted.

Carlos had just kicked her out of the family after losing his temper at her, so it didn’t make sense for him to call her so soon.

Unless... something serious happened, so he had no choice but to call her!

No longer hesitating, Maddy picked up.

As soon as the call connected, Carlos’s voice came. “Where are you now?”

Maddy asked directly, “What happened?”

No matter what, the two of them had lived as father and daughter for decades, so Maddy was worried that Carlos might encounter a serious ordeal.

Carlos snorted coldly. “The Bransons’ butler just called me and told me to arrive at the Brandson residence with you two within twenty minutes. Otherwise, they’ll make sure the Stones vanish from DC tonight!”

Maddy frowned.

She knew that the Bransons wouldn’t give up just like that, but she didn’t expect them to be so eager to force the Stones to give them explanation so soon.

Maddy pursed her lips. “Don’t worry. Jordan and I are on our way there now. We will arrive within twenty minutes! At that time, I will tell the Bransons that we will take responsibility for this and that the Stones have nothing to do with it!”

To Maddy’s surprise, Carlos didn’t sound any less angry. Instead, his voice was full of anxiety as he said impatiently, “That’s pointless. Even if you explain to the Bransons that you no longer have anything to do with the Stones, they won’t let us off! They’ve just given me a warning!”

“So now, if you want to resolve our crisis, you have to find another solution!”

“But I have a piece of good news for you. Rayson, the helmsman of the Williams, contacted me just now. He told me that if you agree to marry his youngest son, Cody, right now, they will help us deal with the Bransons!”

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“Just like the Bransons, the Williams are one of the eight top families of DC. In that case, the Bransons naturally won’t dare to do anything to us, and our crisis will be solved.”

Carlos instructed indifferently, “So, you don’t have to go to the Bransons anymore. Come back immediately, and I’ll have someone get your documents and send you to the Marriage Bureau to get your marriage license with Cody Williams!”

“As soon as the two of you get your marriage license, the Williams will step in to help us deal with the Bransons. Come back immediately!”

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Hearing this, Maddy remained sitting in the car with her phone in her hand, spacing out in shock for a long time.

She could have never imagined that her father would one day so self-righteously and indifferently ask her to marry a stranger without any regard for her opinion at all.

The more terrifying thing was that Maddy had long heard about Cody Williams.

He had Down’s syndrome and a mental age of only three years old, even though he was physically over 30 years old. He also had severe violent tendencies, and he had once killed several servants of the Williams!

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Yet her father wanted her to marry such a violent and intellectually disabled man!

Moreover, Carlos clearly knew that she was already engaged to Jordan and that they were getting married on Valentine’s Day!

Anger suddenly surged in Maddy’s heart.

“No, that’s absolutely impossible!

“I’ve already found the love of my life, and he’s the only person I’m marrying. I won’t allow you to use me as a bargaining chip for a marriage alliance again!

“If you want to use your identity as my father to pressure me, don’t forget that you just kicked me out of the family ten minutes ago. I already have nothing to do with you and the Stones. Who are you to arrange my marriage for me? I don’t agree!

“I’ll settle the matter with the Branson matters on my own. You don’t have to come up with any funny ideas! If you must make someone get into a marriage alliance with the Williams, go look for someone else. I won’t marry him!”

Maddy yelled in exasperation, greatly emotionally agitated.

After hearing Maddy’s refusal, Carlos was even more furious. “Even though I’ve kicked you out of the family, you’re still my daughter! You have to do what I say!

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“I’ll tell you the truth. I’ve already promised Rayson Williams that I’ll get you to marry his son. So if you don’t go to the Marriage Bureau to get your marriage license with Cody Williams within twenty minutes, do you think the Williams will let us off?”

“When the time comes, we’ll not only be unable to resolve the problems with the Bransons, but we will face another great enemy like the Williams. There will be no chance of survival for us then!

“So, no matter what, you have to marry Cody Williams. Otherwise, you’ll harm the Stones, and no one will let you off. Do you hear me?”

Carlos' words were like a bottomless abyss that he wanted to push Maddy into!

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Maddy completely lost the strength to speak and communicate with Carlos. She found her father to be absolutely absurd and ridiculous.

When he kicked her out of the family and severed ties with her just ten minutes ago, she felt sad, but she didn't resent him for doing so because she knew that he just didn't want her to implicate the family.

But Carlos actually didn't even discuss it with her and decided to marry her off to someone intellectually challenged with strong violent tendencies. He was pushing her to her grave!

If it was any other family, she might be able to file for divorce when encountering her husband's domestic violence. But if she married into the Williams, no one would speak up for her even if she was beaten to death.

This kind of life would be a living hell!

Moreover, Maddy had a loving relationship with her fiancée. How could she be willing to put herself in such a terrible situation?

“Even if you're my father, you have no right to make arrangements for my life! If you think I'm being unfilial, so be it. If I face any punishment in the future, I'll bear all the consequences! But no matter what, I won't marry someone like that!”

With that, Maddy hung up and turned off her phone furiously.

Maddy felt aggrieved and devastated as tears streamed down her cheeks.

In one day, Maddy had cried more than the total number of times she had in the past year.

When Carlos told Maddy to marry Cody Williams in a marriage alliance, a shocking killing intent surged in Jordan's chest. He took a deep breath, parked the car on the side of the road, and quietly waited for Maddy to finish the phone call.

He was boiling with fury. If he continued driving, he was afraid that he would lose control of his emotions and the car.

Carlos's actions and words made Jordan livid. If someone else had wanted to force his beloved woman to marry an intellectually challenged and violent man, Jordan would have ripped his heart out. Unfortunately, Carlos was Maddy's father, and he couldn't do anything to him.

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Watching Maddy cry in misery, Jordan felt his heart ache.

He took a few deep breaths and said, "It's okay. As long as Lucas and I are here, the Bransons won't be able to do anything to the Stones. The same goes for the Williams!"

"Let's go to Lucas now and ask him to help us handle this. With his help, you don't have to worry about anything!" Jordan said earnestly while holding onto Maddy's shoulder.

"Uh... yes." Maddy nodded solemnly.

Looking at the man beside her, she finally felt like she had someone to rely on.

Soon, the two of them started driving toward Lucas's new villa.

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At this moment, in the Stones' villa...

After Maddy hung up on him, Carlos was enraged and called her twice more, but he couldn't get through to her.

"Damn it! Damn it!" Carlos cursed furiously, but a great sense of horror surged in his heart.

Maddy was strongly against the idea of a marriage alliance with the Williams, and now, she had even turned her phone off. Clearly, she didn't want to marry Cody.

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But Carlos had already promised Rayson, the Williams' helmsman. What should he do now?

If Maddy didn't marry Cody Williams within the time frame given by the Williams, Rayson would definitely think that Carlos played tricks on him and wouldn't let the Stones off!

When the time came, the Stones wouldn't only have to face the wrath of the Bransons but also the Williams'!

These two families were among the top eight most powerful families of DC, and Stones couldn't rival either of them. Together, they would pose a deadly threat to the Stones!

Carlos was panic-stricken and at a complete loss for what to do.

Only now did he finally realize what Geoffrey had said to him previously. Indeed, he wasn't competent enough!

If he had called Maddy to seek her consent before agreeing to the Williams' proposal, things wouldn't have turned out this way!

Carlos initially wanted to seek help from the Williams to get support against the Stones, but he ended up offending two top families at the same time!

This was absolutely terrible!

"Mr. Stone, you were too rash about this... Miss Maddy is already engaged to Jordan, and they were really loving in the hall just now. Miss Maddy will never agree to marry anyone else, especially someone like Cody Williams..." The Stones' butler sighed.

But before he could finish, Carlos immediately interrupted him, "Then, what do you think I should do? The Bransons are forcing me to take those two sinful wretches to their place immediately to give them an explanation. What can I do?"

After a moment of silence, the butler said, "Actually, I think Mr. Jordan is really powerful. He easily defeated so many of the Smiths' experts in the DC Hotel. Moreover, he's so close to Mr. Gray. Maybe they can really resolve the Stones' crisis on their own without implicating us."

"What's the point of talking about this now? And do you really believe those two boys can solve the problem?" Carlos hollered in annoyance. "Enough, stop it with the nonsense! Anyway, I will definitely come up with a solution and protect the Stones even without their help!"

At this moment, Carlos's cell phone rang.

As soon as he saw Rayson Williams' number on the caller ID, his body shivered, and a wave of fear immediately surged in his heart.

But no matter what, he had to answer this call!

He picked up the phone in fear, only to immediately hear an urging voice., "I've already brought my son to the Marriage Bureau. When are you and your daughter coming? How much longer do I have to wait?"

Carlos was shocked. What he feared the most had come true. His greatest fear now was Rayson asking him about the marriage issue.

But no matter what, it was impossible for him to avoid this matter since Maddy had refused to marry. He could only bite the bullet and explain what happened.

Carlos gritted his teeth, plucked up the courage, and said cautiously, “Mr. Williams, here’s what happened. My unfilial daughter caused a disaster, so I kicked her out of the family some time ago. She’s no longer a member of the Stones... So, how about this? We have many other beautiful female descendants in our family. I’ll pick one and send her to you...”

“What the hell are you saying?” Rayson interrupted with a series of expletives. “Stone, are you deliberately playing tricks on me? I want your daughter, Maddy Stone. If I just wanted my son to marry a pretty woman, why would I bother coming to your family?”

“Damn it! You promised me that you would get your daughter to marry my son and get the marriage license immediately. But now, you’re saying that you’ve already kicked your daughter out of your family. Damn it, are you deliberately messing with me?”

“You’re really audacious. Just you wait. I’ll bring people to your place and demand an explanation from you!”

With that, Rayson hung up without waiting for Carlos to respond.

Carlos's legs went limp. Unable to stand anymore, he fell straight to the floor.

With a blank expression, he kept recalling Rayson's threat to bring his men to the Stone residence.

"It's over for us! The Williams are coming to the Stones to demand an explanation from me. W-what should I do now? What else can I do?"

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Meanwhile, Jordan had already brought Maddy with him to the entrance of Lucas's villa.

On the way here, Jordan had already called Lucas and asked for help. But he didn't elaborate on the details.

Lucas was already waiting at the entrance of the villa. As soon as he saw Jordan, he closed the door and got in the car.

After getting in, he saw that there was something amiss with Maddy's expression. Her eyes were red and swollen. She had obviously just cried.

"What's going on?" Lucas immediately asked solemnly.

He knew that Maddy had always been extremely strong and would rarely cry like this.

Just as Jordan was about to speak, Maddy sniffled and said, "Let me do the talking. Focus on driving."

Then she told Lucas about everything that had happened earlier.

When he heard that Maddy had been kicked out of the Stone family and disowned by Carlos while Geoffrey had left the family in anger, Lucas was completely speechless. In fact, he even felt a little angry.

The reason he had promised the Stones that he would keep them alive and even bring them to greater glory was because of the relationship between Maddy and Jordan.

But Lucas didn't expect that Maddy would be kicked out of the family just twenty days after Carlos took over Geoffrey's position as helmsman.

When Lucas found out that Carlos also wanted to force Maddy to marry Rayson's intellectually challenged and violent son so that he could get Williams' help, he was angered to the point of speechlessness.

He couldn't figure out how Carlos could be so stupid when he had a wise father like Geoffrey and an intelligent and valiant daughter like Maddy!

Carlos's actions were hopelessly stupid, and Lucas couldn't even be bothered to scold him.

"Your father will definitely regret what he did today!" Lucas said coldly.

Maddy was Lucas's comrade in arms and the person who mattered the most to Jordan. Ye, Carlos wanted Maddy to marry a violent and intellectually challenged person like Cody. He was simply ruining Maddy's life and Jordan's happiness!

If it wasn't for the fact that Carlos was Maddy's biological father, Lucas would have killed him!

Maddy said bitterly, "Actually, before Grandpa left, he said something like that too, but my father disregarded his words. Who knows what he's thinking now."

Seeing Lucas's gloomy expression, Jordan suddenly felt worried. "Lucas, you... you're not going to do anything to Carlos, are you?"

"Uh, h-he did make a lot of mistakes, but I think he's just too timid and only cares about his family. His incompetence is the reason that he... does some irrational things.

"Lucas, give Carlos a chance. He might repent later!"

Jordan was really worried and afraid that Lucas might kill Carlos out of anger.

Lucas glowered at Jordan and berated, "Hmph, of course I know that. You're naturally going to put in a good word for him since he's your future father-in-law!

"Hey, look at you. All you care about is your fiancée and your future father-in-law now. I'm afraid I'll mean nothing to you in the future!"

"No, that's impossible, Lucas! No matter what happens, you'll forever be my best friend!" Jordan explained in panic before noticing the playful smile on Lucas's face. He immediately understood what Lucas was doing, so he played along. "Lucas, why does it seem like you're jealous right now? Are you actually jealous of Maddy?"

Then Jordan deliberately looked at Maddy in the rearview mirror and made a face at her.

"Pfft!" Maddy laughed and pursed her lips.

Her laughter and the joyful banter between Jordan and Lucas immediately put her in a better mood.

This was also the common goal of Lucas and Jordan.

Of course, Lucas wouldn't harm Carlos. No matter how overboard Carlos was, it was still the Stones' family affairs.

Maddy could resist Carlos, get mad at him, and even oppose him, but Lucas couldn't do anything to the Stone family because he respected Maddy.

But now, the Stones not only had to face the pressure from the Bransons, but they had also provoked the Williams, leaving them in a dilemma.

Of course, all of this wasn't a big deal to Lucas.

Moreover, since an incident involving the Williams happened again, Lucas decided not to go to the Bransons' first but instead go to the Stones' to see how they would handle the issue.

As soon as they reached the door, they got out of the car and entered the Stone residence, only to see Carlos storming over furiously.

The first thing he did after rushing over was yell at Maddy. "You unfilial wench! You've made me offend the Williams and caused a huge disaster for the family. Trust you to have the cheek to come back!"

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Carlos wanted to slap Maddy's face right on the spot, but he was still rational. Seeing Jordan and Lucas standing next to Maddy, he finally retracted his hand and resisted the urge, but he still looked extremely gloomy.

Maddy gritted her teeth. "I've already said that I'd settle this matter on my own! If you hadn't agreed to those nonsensical requests presumptuously, things wouldn't have turned out this way."

"What are you saying? Are you blaming me for this? If you had obeyed me and gone to get married to Cody, the Williams would now be our in-laws, and they would have helped us resolve our crisis with the Bransons!"

"But you wench, you defied me and even dared to hang up on me. Now, the Williams are completely infuriated! Not only are the Bransons hounding us, but even the Williams aren't going to let us off. They will bring their people here and demand an explanation from us soon!"

"This is all your fault! Let's see what you can do now!"

Carlos hollered furiously at the top of his voice. Instead of reflecting on his own actions, he put all the blame on Maddy, as if she was the one who caused everything to go awry.

The other Stones were also glowering at Maddy.

“Carlos is right. This is all your fault! You caused the disaster with the Bransons, and the Williams are coming to confront us too. We’re all going to be killed by you!”

“Maddy, don’t try to shirk responsibility. Since you’re the cause of it all, you should be the one to solve it.”

“Uncle Carlos, I suggest we immediately tie Maddy up, send her to the Marriage Bureau, and get her to get a marriage license with Cody Williams. That way, we might be able to gain the understanding of Mr. Rayson Williams!

“Or maybe we can just tie her up and wait here for the Bransons! And that young punk Jordan is the culprit who killed the scion of the Bransons. We can’t let him get away either! The Bransons’ helmsman will be here soon. We must tie them up and hand them over to the Bransons so that they can see our sincerity!”

“In my opinion, Maddy is just a scourge. Why don’t we just kill her, lest she brings even more disasters to the Stones in the future!”

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The Stones scolded and cursed Maddy, and some even demanded that she immediately marry the violent Cody Williams. Many of them even said to tie her up and leave her to the Bransons. Some even wanted to kill her to end all future troubles.

Hearing the cold and terrifying words from these family members, Maddy was disappointed and felt as if her heart was slashed by daggers. Her entire body was cold.

At this moment, she experienced the same disappointment that Geoffrey had.

Lucas watched on coldly without saying anything.

The Stones were way too subservient.

Out of fear for top families like the Bransons and the Williams, they decided to push their own family member out to face the wrath of the Bransons to appease them. Such people were nothing but garbage.

At this moment, Lucas was even thinking about how the Stones would face Maddy once the matters regarding the Bransons and the Williams were resolved.

While Lucas could observe coldly with indifference, Jordan could no longer continue listening.

Maddy was the person he loved the most in his life. He obviously couldn't bear to let her be insulted and hurt by these trashy members of the Stones.

“Shut up!

“If I hear you insult Maddy again, I don't mind turning you into corpses!

“I believe that many of you witnessed my skills in the DC Hotel last time. If any of you are still unconvinced, feel free to try!”

Jordan's face was brimming with killing intent, and the aura he released made all the Stones turn pale in fright. Their hearts almost jumped out of their chests, and they didn't dare to utter a single word.

Jordan had killed several experts working for the Smiths and the Dempseys back in the DC hotel, all of whom he had killed with one deadly blow. How could they possibly dare to test Jordan's power with their fragile bodies?

This would be an absolute act of courting death!

All of a sudden, the Stones who had yelled at Maddy immediately cowered at the side, not daring to move at all.

Even Carlos was scared out of his wits and broke out in cold sweat.

He was just about to teach Maddy a lesson and tell her to marry Cody Williams in order to appease them.

But after seeing Jordan's outburst of anger, Carlos realized once again that Jordan was no longer the kid who used to address him respectfully but a top expert who could easily kill more than ten experts with one hand!

After seeing the reaction of her family, Maddy no longer felt angry. All that remained was disappointment and the feeling that they were absurd.

It was really ridiculous for her to have a family like this!

It was really depressing and pathetic!

She took a deep breath and finally looked at Carlos calmly. "We will settle the matters regarding the Bransons and the Williams. We won't get the Stones involved.

"But once today's matter is over, I will really have nothing to do with the Stones anymore. You'll no longer be my father too!

"If the Stones encounter other troubles in the future, I won't give you any help!

"Even if the Stones are destroyed, it will be your own responsibility!"

Carlos suddenly panicked and blurted, “No way! You’ve already promised your grandfather that you’ll never let the Stones be destroyed. If you fail to keep your promise, he will never be able to face our ancestors!”

He had overheard Geoffrey and Maddy’s conversation!

Maddy sneered. “If the Stones really perish, you should be the one too ashamed to face our ancestors, not Grandpa and me! Besides, even if the Stones really perish, I’ll start a new Stone family. This won’t be in violation of my agreement with Grandpa!”

“You... you...” Carlos seemed to want to scold Maddy again, but when he saw Jordan at the side, he didn’t dare to curse out loud and could only swallow his pride.

But at this moment, a bodyguard hurriedly ran in and shouted in panic. “Mr. Carlos, bad news! The Bransons have already arrived!”

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Hearing the report of the person who came, Carlos instantly shuddered, his heart panicked.

The Bransons actually came so soon. What should they do?

“Mr. Carlos, we’d better hurry out to receive the Bransons. Don’t let them get angry,” one of the Stones immediately said to Carlos.

“Yes, that’s right!” The panic-stricken Carlos seemed to have found his backbone and nodded again and again. “Quickly, come out with me to greet the Bransons!”

Carlos took the lead and ran toward the gates of the Stone residence with a large group of the Stones behind him.

Seeing the crowd rushing toward the entrance, Maddy stood still with a look of disappointment and a sarcastic smile on her face.

Grandpa is right. Dad isn’t someone who can take on an important role like the family’s helmsman.

In the face of an emergency, all he did was panic and lose control of himself. He couldn’t even come up with his own idea and just listened to the opinions of others.

Besides, what if the Bransons came?

The Bransons were indeed one of the eight top families in DC and extremely powerful, but the Stones weren't weak either. In DC, they were second only to the eight top families.

The Stones were naturally no match for the Bransons, but if the Bransons wanted to destroy the Stones, it wouldn't be easy either. They would definitely have to pay a huge price.

The eight families of DC were evenly matched, and there was also some rivalry between them. If any family was struck hard, they would definitely face the coveting and attacks of the other families. They might even be annihilated as a result.

Thus, as long as the Stones realized this point and used it to their advantage, the Bransons wouldn't really dare to wipe out the Stones because the price of doing so would be too high. The Bransons wouldn't dare to take the risk at all.

But Carlos couldn't realize this at all. All he knew was that he was in a weaker position and spinelessly viewed the Bransons as menacing beasts.

Now that he had led so many members of the Stones to the entrance to receive the Bransons in such a subservient manner, this would only make the Bransons look down on them and despise them even more and allow the Bransons to manipulate them.

Even if the Stones managed to save themselves by being subservient to the Bransons this time, the latter would only continue treating them as pushovers and possibly even make them their servants. The Stones would never be able to hold their heads high again!

With Carlos's approaching, let alone staying as a second-rate family, the Stones would likely soon become a third-rate family.

But at this moment, Carlos didn't know what Maddy was thinking. He was standing at the entrance with all the direct members of the Stones to welcome the Bransons respectfully with their waists bowed and heads lowered.

"I'm Carlos Stone, the head of the Stone family. My family and I are here to welcome you!"

They were behaving as if they were the Bransons' servants.

The Bransons were getting out of their cars with a powerful aura at this moment.

The middle-aged man at the front had a chubby face, and he obviously wasn't to be trifled with. He was Eric Branson, Mark's father!

Eric was now in his fifties, and he had been announced as the next helmsman of the Bransons several years ago. Now, he had control over more than half of the Bransons' businesses. Thus, he was now the second most powerful person in the family, and before long, he would become the actual helmsman.

Behind him were two tall bodyguards dragging a woman out of the car by her hair.

The hair of the woman being dragged out was in a terrible mess, and her body was covered in dirt and footprints. In particular, her face was bruised, swollen, and covered in slap marks. She had obviously received a hard beating.

Even Maddy wouldn't be able to recognize her now.

Indeed, the woman who had been beaten horribly was Becky, Mark's girlfriend who had provoked Maddy.

This was a demonstration of authority!

Carlos, who was already scared, became even more frightened after seeing the disheveled and terribly beaten woman. Even his calves began trembling.

“Carlos Stone, you’re quite courageous. I’ve already given you an hour to bring your daughter and her boyfriend to the Bransons to confess. How dare you ignore my instructions? Now, I’ve had to come and demand an explanation from you!” Eric stared into Carlos’s eyes coldly.

Carlos’s legs went limp, and he almost fell to his knees. He said with fear on his face, “Mr. Branson... I absolutely don’t dare to ignore you, but my unfilial daughter is rebellious now that she’s grown up. She doesn’t listen to me at all!”

“She has already cut off all ties with the Stones. There’s nothing I can do!”

Eric sneered and mocked relentlessly, “Nothing you can do? Hah, Carlos, do you take me for a fool? You should have brought them to me even if you had to tie them up!

“How dare you tell me now that there’s nothing you can do? How ridiculous! I can’t believe you’re the head of the Stones. Are you that incompetent? You’re indeed a good-for-nothing!”

Carlos’s face turned pale, but he didn’t dare to argue. He just kept saying, “Mr. Branson, please calm down. Calm down!”

He was already terrified. He originally thought that someone else would come from the Bransons, but it turned out that it was Eric Branson himself. Now, the Stones were in an even worse predicament.

“Calm down, my ass! Hand over the two murderers who killed my son. Otherwise, none of you will be able to escape!” Eric roared angrily.

Of course, he wouldn't really fight the Stones to the death. He only wanted the Stones to hand over Maddy and Jordan and compensate with a massive amount of money and assets. After all, the dead couldn't come back to life. Killing all the Stones wouldn't be able to bring his son back to life.

But seeing how cowardly and subservient Carlos was, Eric began developing more ideas. If he seized all the Stones' assets, he would definitely gain great credit.

Carlos was now scared out of his wits. When he heard Eric telling him to hand over Maddy and Jordan, he had no other choice. He yelled at Maddy, who was more than ten meters away, "Unfilial wench, what are you waiting for? Hurry up and come here to beg Mr. Branson for forgiveness.

"And Jordan, didn't you say you were going to take full responsibility for this? Now that Mr. Mark's father is here, you should immediately get your ass over here and use your death to apologize!"

## Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 1027

Carlos's words made Maddy even more disappointed, and her heart sank further.

It was clear that Carlos wanted her and Jordan to take all the responsibility so that the Bransons wouldn't be angry with the Stones.

Maddy wasn't surprised by his choice, but she was saddened that Carlos's expression was subservient and terrified when he said this. He wasn't worried about her at all.

At this moment, he had completely given up their father-daughter ties of many years.

Lucas glanced at Carlos coldly. If it wasn't because he was Maddy's biological father, Lucas wouldn't let him off.

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Maddy raised her feet and was about to walk forward when Jordan pulled her behind him.

"I killed your son. If you want someone to take responsibility, just come at me." Jordan stepped forward and looked at Eric calmly.

Eric narrowed his eyes and glowered at Jordan.

This young man was the murderer of his son Mark. No matter what, he would make him pay for it with his life!

“Punk, you’re really arrogant. Not only are you not repentant for killing my son, but you’re so arrogant in front of me! You should already know my identity and the fate you’re about to face, huh?”

Eric’s eyes were brimming with killing intent.

Jordan remained fearless. “Aren’t you just from the Branson family? Speaking of which, it was your son who thought he was all high and mighty and took the initiative to provoke me. Not only did he attack me first, but he even used a knife and wanted to kill me! But he was incompetent and ended up having his limbs broken by me.

“However, I didn’t expect him to die easily after having his limbs broken.”

Jordan shrugged.

In fact, Jordan really felt a little speechless about Mark’s death. He had merely broken Mark’s limbs and turned him into a cripple, yet Mark had ended up dying.

What Jordan said undoubtedly provoked Eric, causing him to grit his teeth in fury.

“Tell me! How did my son die?” Eric suddenly looked at Becky, who was being pressed against the ground by one of his bodyguards with her head held up by her hair.

Becky’s heart trembled as she hurriedly said, “Yes, it’s him! He was really arrogant since we met in the clothing store. Later, he even hit Mark because of a disagreement and broke his limbs! At the time, Mark... Mark screamed so loudly that the entire store could hear him. I begged him to stop, but he refused to listen!

“Uncle Eric, Mark died of pain! He died so tragically. You mustn’t let this bastard off!

“Oh right, and the woman behind him is Maddy Stone. She’s the one who started this. If it wasn’t for her, Mark wouldn’t have encountered such a mishap. She’s the culprit and the cause of it all. Uncle Eric, you mustn’t let her off either!”

Becky spoke with great resentment, but what she said couldn’t be further from the truth. She twisted facts and put all the blame on Jordan and Maddy.

In particular, when she accused Maddy of being the culprit, she couldn’t conceal the hatred in her eyes at all. She wanted Maddy to die immediately!

Mark frowned and sneered. “Becky Sanders, you’re really good at twisting facts! You clearly provoked us first. You even repeatedly instigated Mark to attack my boyfriend and me. Now that you’re afraid of the Bransons holding you accountable, you pushed all the blame to us. You’re really shameless!”

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A trace of panic flashed across Becky’s face, but she gritted her teeth and said, “Now that things have come to this, stop arguing! It’s all your fault, bitch!”

Becky was a shameless villain, but in order to survive, she became even more spineless.

Maddy knew that it was pointless to argue with such a shameless person, so she looked straight at Eric. “If you want to know the truth, there are surveillance cameras in the clothing store and the store’s staff. No one can twist the facts easily!

“Mr. Branson, I think you’re a smart person, so you should already have a clear idea of what happened. You won’t be easily fooled by this woman, will you?”

Eric rubbed his fingers and looked at Maddy with narrowed eyes. This woman seems different from the other Stones. She has quite a backbone.

Eric had naturally sent his men to find out the truth, but so what?

“I’m not interested in the truth or any other bullshit you have to say! I only know that you people caused my son’s death. So no matter who’s right or wrong, you must all go to hell with my son!” Eric’s face was covered in murderous intent as he said to his bodyguards, “Go capture them both and bring them back to the Branson residence!”

With his order, four of his bodyguards immediately rubbed their fists and walked toward Jordan and Maddy.

Jordan stood in front of Maddy like a brick wall and said coldly, “I’m giving you a warning. If you leave with your people now, I can spare your lives.”

Eric was stunned for a moment, but then he instantly flew into a rage.

“Brat, I don’t think you have a clear idea of the situation now! My subordinates are about to capture you. Do you think you have the right to continue being arrogant in front of me?” Eric said.

Jordan said coldly, “Want to capture me? You and the Bransons are not qualified!”

Hearing this, almost everyone was stunned!

Who was Eric Branson? Eric was the second most powerful figure in the Branson family and the future helmsman of the family!

And who was Jordan? How dare he speak to Eric like this and even say that he wasn’t qualified? He was incredibly arrogant!

Even the Stones, who had witnessed how powerful Jordan was, weren't optimistic about him.

The Bransons were one of the eight most powerful families in DC, while Jordan only knew some martial arts. Did he really think he was invincible?

Eric was furious. "Okay, great! What an arrogant kid! Wait a little longer. I will make you regret saying that! I'll make you wail in pain and beg for mercy!"

Just as Eric was about to order his men to make a move, he suddenly heard a mocking voice from behind. "Eric Branson, trust you to have the cheek to blow your trumpet! You're not going to lay a finger on him today!"

Everyone was stunned and turned their heads to look. A woman decked out in luxurious clothes was walking over slowly with a group of bodyguards behind her.

## Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 1028

Even Eric, Jordan, Maddy, and Lucas were surprised.

The person who came over was Florence, the current helmsman of the Howards!

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Eric narrowed his eyes and questioned in a threatening tone, “So it’s Ms. Howard! What’s the matter? Are you so free now that you want to interfere with my family’s affairs too?”

Florence’s voice had arrived before she did. She was clearly targeting Eric to defend Jordan.

Moreover, Florence even brought five of the Howards’ top bodyguards, making Eric feel that something was amiss.

One of his purposes in bringing his subordinates to the Stones was to capture the murderers of his son to avenge him. The other was to take advantage of the opportunity to pressure the Stones and obtain maximum benefits. It would be best if he could encroach on all the Stones’ assets so that they would become a vassal family of the Bransons and do their bidding from now on!

Just a moment ago, Eric felt that the Stones were an easy target because Carlos, the family head, was just a weak and incompetent fool who was easily controllable.

But why did Florence appear here with the Howards’ bodyguards?

Do the Howards also want a slice of the pie?

But even so, Florence shouldn't have targeted him to protect the punk who killed his son!

Just as countless thoughts flashed through Eric's mind while he pondered what Florence's goals were, she said with a smile, "Eric Branson, since you've already decided to get your subordinates to harm my goddaughter, of course I have to interfere."

Goddaughter?

Florence's goddaughter?

Everyone was shocked. But after thinking about it for a bit, they immediately figured out that Florence's goddaughter was probably Maddy!

Even Maddy had a trace of surprise in her eyes, but she soon understood that Florence had said that because she needed a reason to help her!

Eric's face turned gloomy, and he sneered. "Ms. Howard, since when did you have a goddaughter?!"

"Do I need your permission to recognize my goddaughter?"

Florence was now the head of the Howards, and her status was much higher than that of Eric, the future helmsman of the Bransons. Thus, she retorted curtly without any politeness.

"Maddy, don't worry. No one will dare to touch you with me here!" Florence said to Maddy domineeringly.

Maddy smiled sweetly. “Alright, thank you very much then, Godmother!”

Her demeanor and expression looked extremely natural, as if she and Florence were already very close to each other.

Seeing the interaction between the two, the Stones were flabbergasted!

They had no idea when Maddy actually had such a powerful godmother!

Florence was the current helmsman of the Howards, one of the eight top families!

She had an even higher status than Eric!

If they had known that Maddy had such a powerful godmother, they wouldn’t have agreed to let Maddy marry Eric’s intellectually challenged and violent son.

At this moment, Carlos felt as though a sledgehammer had struck his head. His body stiffened, and he stood rooted to the ground with his mouth wide open!

Maddy actually recognized Florence as her godmother! The person who was the most shocked was none other than Carlos!

He had never imagined that the unfilial daughter he had driven out of the family had such good fortune!

At this moment, he suddenly recalled what Maddy had said to him previously. She said that she would settle the matter with the Bransons on her own and wouldn’t involve the Stones.

When Maddy was driven out of the family and disowned by Carlos, she had said to him, “Don’t regret it.”

Was the reason she had the confidence to say this because she had long become Florence Howard's granddaughter?

If he had known earlier, Carlos would have never done the things he did earlier!

But it probably wasn't too late now. No matter what, Maddy was his daughter. Once they dealt with the Bransons, he would apologize to Maddy and let her return to the family. Given the relationship between Maddy and the Howards, the Stones would be able to gain the support of the Howards in the future and rise to greater glory. It was a blessing in disguise!

The thought of it made Carlos's heart burn with excitement.

At this moment, Maddy was no longer the unfilial wench that he had called her previously. She was now his promising and competent daughter!

Eric looked extremely sullen. Florence was clearly here to protect Maddy, so he didn't dare to act rashly.

After pondering for a while, Eric made up his mind and decided to compromise. "Since Maddy is your goddaughter, I'll take a step back and not hold it against her.

"But that man over there is the culprit who killed my son. I must take him back to the Bransons and use his blood to pay homage to my son!"

Eric felt that he had already made a compromise and thought that Florence would definitely do him a favor so that they would both have an out.

After all, the Howards and the Bransons were among the eight most powerful families in DC, so it would be best if they didn't get into a conflict.

But Florence didn't have the slightest intention of giving Eric an out. She smiled and rejected, "I'm sorry, but this young man is my daughter's fiancé, so I won't let you harm him!"

"You! Eric immediately flew into a rage. "Ms. Howard, don't go overboard! I've agreed to take a step back because of my respect for your family, but it's not because I'm afraid of you!"

In his opinion, he had already agreed to spare Maddy for Florence's sake and take only Jordan. If Florence played by the rules, she shouldn't interfere.

But Florence was so domineering that she actually wanted to protect the two murderers of his son. It was way too overboard!

For a time, Eric's face was extremely gloomy as he glowered at Florence.

Florence saw the anger on Eric's face, but she acted like she didn't see it. "Eric, I feel sad for the death of your son, but I've already sent someone to investigate it thoroughly.

"Actually, that woman Becky Sanders is the cause of everything. Maddy and the rest were happily shopping when Becky ran over and provoked her out of nowhere. She even deliberately brought your son into it and instigated him to deal with my goddaughter and future godson-in-law.

"Moreover, it was your son who took out a dagger and wanted to kill them. But in the end, Jordan crippled his limbs because he was too incompetent.

"At this point, it's already clear what happened. Although your son's limbs were crippled, his injuries weren't fatal. But Becky abandoned your son after he lost consciousness and ran off on her own, causing him to miss the best treatment time and eventually die."

"So, regardless of the cause or the outcome, the person to blame for your son's death is neither my goddaughter nor Jordan, but Becky! Eric, don't you agree?"

Since Florence had decided to come to the Stones to help, she naturally came prepared and had already sent someone to thoroughly investigate the situation while on the way here.

Eric's eyebrows twitched a few times, and he didn't speak for a long time.

He knew that Florence had spoken the truth. Otherwise, he wouldn't have sent people to drag Becky over.

But he was unwilling to admit that his son deserved to die and let Jordan, the person who had brutally crippled his son's limbs and caused his eventual death, off the hook!

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Becky, who was being pressed against the ground by the Bransons' bodyguards, had a drastic change of expression after hearing what Florence said. She immediately broke out in cold sweat.

At this moment, she even wanted to play the same trick of twisting facts again and put all the blame on Maddy and Jordan. But in the end, she didn't dare to speak up.

Florence was the head of the Howard family, and she had even acknowledged Maddy as her goddaughter. Florence probably wouldn't listen to what she said, and she might even end up offending her.

With just Eric, Becky already felt that she was on the brink of death. If she offended the Howards, she would definitely die miserably!

Florence smiled and said firmly, "Eric, you know clearly what I'm talking about, so I'm taking these two with me today."

With a gloomy look on his face, Eric remained silent. He was naturally unwilling to let Jordan off.

But suddenly, a loud and striking voice came from outside the gates of the Stone residence. "Eric Branson, don't be fooled by that woman!"

Everyone was astonished and turned to look at the speaker, only to receive a great shock!

The man who spoke was Rayson Williams, the head of his family, and following him were 30 bodyguards and experts, who were streaming endlessly out of a long line of Mercedes-Benz cars. They each carried a formidable aura.

They immediately charged into the Stone residence, overwhelming everyone with their menacing auras.

“Rayson Williams!” Florence’s face turned gloomy when she saw the middle-aged man in front, and anger surged within her.

Previously, Rayson had brought twenty-odd subordinates to Felix’s funeral to help the Piers pressure Florence while her position as helmsman was yet to be stable. He had tried to gouge the Howards of their assets, but to no avail because of Lucas’s presence.

Now, Rayson actually showed up at the Stones with even more bodyguards, and the first thing he did was target Florence. Clearly, he was out to take revenge.

The Stones’ legs went limp when they saw so many people.

The reason the Williams brought so many bodyguards to the Stones was that Carlos had previously promised to let Maddy marry Rayson’s son Cody. But Maddy refused, so Rayson naturally came to settle the scores with her.

The Stones couldn’t help but look at Carlos, wanting him to come up with an idea quickly.

“Mr. Williams, you’re here too.” Eric smiled and went forward to greet Rayson.

Rayson had merely said a sentence just now, but Eric could immediately tell that Rayson had a feud with Florence. In that case, it was very likely that the Williams would side with the Bransons and fight against Florence together.

He refused to believe that Florence would dare to fight against the Bransons and Williams, two of the eight top families of DC, at the same time!

Rayson guffawed loudly and said to Eric, “Eric, I think you almost got fooled by this woman, Florence Howard! She’s not a kind soul. She actually killed her own father for the sake of becoming the head of the Howard family. A vicious woman like her deserves to die!

“Furthermore, she has nothing to do with the Stones, nor is she the godmother of Maddy Stone. She deliberately came here to fool you so that you would let them off because she wants to take over the Stones!

“Eric, you mustn’t be fooled or intimidated by her. If she tries to use her family to pressure you, I’ll stand by you and help you deal with her!”

Rayson’s words put Eric on cloud nine. It was exactly what he wanted to hear.

But Florence was hopping mad. “Shut up, Rayson William! My father died due to illness. If you continue slandering me and accusing me of killing my father to become the family head, I won’t spare you!”

“Haha, Florence, you dared to do it, but you don’t dare to admit it? Your family were the ones who revealed that you killed your father to take the position of helmsman. But, you’re saying that I’m slandering you? You know better than anyone else what the truth is! There are male heirs in your family. If you hadn’t seized the position of helmsman and driven your father to his grave, how could you have become the head of the Howard family?”

Rayson deliberately insisted that Florence didn't get her position the rightful way. He wanted to insult her because the angrier she was, the happier he would be.

He had been forced to kneel and apologize at the Howard residence, and it had been bothering him like a thorn in his heart. Thus, he wanted to do everything possible to humiliate Florence and take revenge on the Howards!

Florence was indeed so angered by Rayson's shameless slander that her body was trembling and she couldn't even utter a single word.

But at this moment, she heard an indifferent voice from the side. "Rayson William, since you have a death wish, I'll fulfill it for you!"

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Lucas, who had been standing quietly in a corner, finally spoke!

## Charismatic Lucas Gray Chapter 1030

Rayson initially looked furious and wanted to see who had the audacity to speak to him so rudely. But when he looked in the direction of the voice and saw Lucas standing behind the crowd, his heart skipped a beat, and he almost jumped on the spot!

Why is this menacing man here at the Stones'?!

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Rayson had aggressively brought so many people to the Stone residence to settle accounts with Carlos for reneging on his promise and fooling him. He had even heard that Florence was also here. Thus, he had brought so many people over to suppress Florence and regain some pride.

But Rayson never expected that Lucas, who had forced him to kneel, was actually here!

Not only was Lucas here, but Rayson also saw Jordan standing near Lucas!

The scene that had happened at Felix's funeral immediately appeared in Rayson's mind.

Back then, Jordan had disconnected the joints of the twenty-odd top bodyguards of the Piers in an instant, forcing them to join the Howards. This had caused the Piers to suffer a huge loss.

Under Jordan's terrifying strength, he had had to kneel down to Lucas and admit his mistakes so that he could leave the Howard residence safely.

It could be said that Jordan and Lucas were just like devils who had greatly traumatized Rayson.

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But he didn't expect to see the two of them at the Stone residence!

At this moment, Rayson simply wanted to escape.

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Even if he had brought more than thirty of the Williams' experts, he didn't feel safe at all with these two terrifying figures here.

But Eric didn't know Lucas. After hearing Lucas's rude tone, he questioned, "Who are you? How dare you speak to Mr. Williams like that?!"

Lucas glanced at him coldly. "You don't have the right to know who I am. You just need to know that you can't afford to provoke me."

"You!" Eric immediately flew into a rage. He was the next helmsman of the Bransons, yet a young stranger in his twenties actually told him that. It was simply a provocation!

"Mr. Williams, look at this punk..."

Eric was about to instigate Rayson into joining him against Lucas, whom he thought was an ignorant punk. But before he could finish, he unexpectedly saw fear on Rayson's face, making him speechless.

Rayson was actually feeling fear instead of anger!

Why? Because of this young man?

That doesn't seem right!

Rayson was the head of the prestigious William family, so there was no need for him to be afraid of a young man in his twenties!

Could this young man... have an extraordinary identity?

At the thought of this, Eric no longer dared to belittle Lucas or speak rashly. Instead, he sized Lucas up solemnly while trying to guess his identity.

Lucas ignored Eric and said bluntly to the pale Rayson, "If you leave with your people right now, I'll let this matter slide. Otherwise, you know what the consequences are."

Rayson shuddered, clenched his jaw, and remained silent.

But everyone else present could tell that Rayson was definitely terrified of Lucas and had lots of scruples about him. Otherwise, he wouldn't have restrained his anger and not retort against Lucas's rude words.

"Who... who is this young man? He actually dared to speak to the head of one of the eight top families so rudely. What's even more terrifying is that Mr. William seems to be scared of him!"

“When he was faced with the Smiths previously, I had a feeling that the eight top families didn’t seem to faze him at all. How great is his identity?”

“Who knows, But Maddy’s fiancé looks like Lucas Gray’s friend. I’m afraid he has an extraordinary identity!”

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The Stones discussed fervently.

It wasn’t their first time meeting Lucas. They had witnessed just how powerful he was in the DC Hotel. He wasn’t even afraid of the snipers sent by the Smiths and the Dempseys. Later on, Geoffrey even invited Lucas over for dinner.

But none of them knew what Lucas’s identity was, only that he was extremely powerful.

At this moment, the Stones finally felt that Lucas’s power was far beyond their imagination!

Carlos felt his mouth go dry.

Since Lucas could intimidate the head of the Williams, one of the eight most powerful families in DC, how terrifying must his identity be?

At this moment, Carlos suddenly recalled what his father, Geoffrey, had said to him before leaving the residence—he said that he would definitely regret his actions today.

Now, Carlos was really regretting it!

If he had known that Maddy was the goddaughter of Florence, the head of the Howards, and that Lucas's identity was so terrifying that Rayson was afraid of him, he wouldn't have kicked Maddy out of the family and forced her to marry Cody in exchange for the Williams' help!

At this moment, Carlos was full of regret!

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Rayson looked at Lucas's eyes. Finally, he still chickened out and said, "Mr. Gray, I-I definitely didn't come today to go against you. But the Stones... they actually dared to fool my family. That's why I brought some people here to ask for an explanation."

Compared to when he yelled at Florence earlier, his attitude now was drastically different!

The moment everyone heard what Rayson said and his tone, they were stunned!

Is it really the Williams' helmsman speaking so humbly?

If they hadn't seen and heard it with their own eyes and ears, they wouldn't have believed it!

Carlos's heart was pounding violently. Rayson actually used the Stones as a shield to prove that he wasn't deliberately targeting Lucas and the Howards.

What should he do now?

Carlos knew very well that Lucas and the Stones didn't actually have any friendly ties. Lucas was just friends with Maddy, and he had helped the Stones before for her sake.

But now that Maddy had been kicked out of the family, would Lucas still be willing to help the Stones?

But at this point, he couldn't worry about so much. Carlos gritted his teeth and said in a thick-skinned manner, "Mr. Williams, what happened previously was all a misunderstanding. Please let my family off on account that my daughter is friends with Mr. Gray!"

He especially emphasized the friendship between Lucas and Maddy, for fear that Rayson wouldn't understand what he meant.