

## My Bossy CEO Husband, Chapter 256: A Gift

Jeffrey stiffened and asked, "Uncle Ryan, anything else?"

"Where is your car?"

"Less than ten meters away. Look! The black van over there." Ryan turned to Wendy.

"You go first. I have to talk to Bruce about something."

"Okay."

Being in that car felt so strange for Wendy that finally being able to leave felt like a blessing. She left as fast as she could, saying nothing else.

After she left, Ryan and Jeffrey continued to look at each other.

Both men were stone-faced but something was lurking in Jeffrey's mind that made him feel a bit restless.

"Uncle Ryan—"

"Is your father feeling better?" Ryan interrupted.

"His condition has already stabilized. The doctor said that as long as we give him healthy food and prevent his blood pressure from rising, he'll be fine." Ryan nodded.

Then they lapsed into a dead silence again.

Jeffrey became even more restless.

No amount of autumn winds could ever compare to the icy feeling he felt whenever he was in the same space with Ryan.

"Uncle Ryan... If you don't have anything else..."

He wanted to get out of the car as soon as possible.

"Bruce!" Ryan said, his commanding aura filling the small space of the car.

"What?"

"Are you a good friend of Wendy?"

"Yes."

Jeffrey nodded his head frantically.

“Then take good care of her for me!”

“What?’ Jeffrey’s eyes narrowed a bit.

‘What do you mean? For you?? “Uncle Ryan—”

“Get out of the car now!”

“Okay!”

With a look of bafflement still etched on his face, Jeffrey immediately got out of the car and staggered forward. Not long after he left, the car blitzed forward behind him, leaving a cloud of dust in its wake.

“Ahem!”

The dust blew into Jeffrey’s face and made him cough, effectively catching the attention of some of the passers-by.

As if he had just woken up from a dream, Jeffrey covered his face and walked towards the van in front of him.

Inside, Ransom was complaining to Wendy.

“Miss Finch, you have to persuade Jeffrey. As soon as he heard the news about you, he rushed back from the US, not caring about anything else. The director has been calling non-stop since yesterday. I could only tell him that Jeffrey had something urgent that he had to deal with in the country. As you know, Jeffrey had always wanted to become a Hollywood actor. There’s a good opportunity for him to make that happen. I tried to urge him several times, but he refused to go back to the US. Wendy, if there’s one person he’ll listen to, it’s you. Please help us in persuading him.”

Wendy looked at Ransom with a pair of sorry eyes.

‘To work as an agent for a star as capricious as Jeffrey must be very tiring”

Her thoughts were interrupted when the door swung open and Jeffrey jumped into the car.

Wendy called out, “Jeffrey—”

“Look! This is for you!”

He reached out for something at the back seat and produced two boxes. He placed both of them on Wendy's lap.

"What are they?" she asked.

"Gifts!"

"Wow, you're so nice, Jeffrey. You're giving me gifts that came from abroad!"

"Of course! I have a conscience. Unlike someone who didn't contact me even when such a big thing happened. Humph! But no matter what, she's still my good friend."

Wendy rolled her eyes. She slowly opened both gifts.

One contained a beautiful model plane, while the other contained a red apple.

"The model is for Ray, and the apple is for you!" Wendy was at a loss for words.

"Do you like it?"

Jeffrey looked intently at her, expecting approval from her. But all he got was Wendy rolling her eyes at him.

"You don't like it?"

The anticipation in Jeffrey's eyes quickly dissolved and turned into a big frown.

"Jeffrey... You're one of the best and richest stars in the entertainment industry. If you don't want to give me a gift, it's okay! You went abroad but you're only giving me an apple?! You've gone too far!"

Wendy squeezed the red apple in her hand with raging fury.

"What? You told me you liked the apples sold at the gates of New York Acting College. Do you have any idea how much time and energy I spent just to buy one for you? S\*\*t! Don't push your luck with me!"

As Jeffrey spoke, he tried to take the apple away from her, but Wendy quickly pulled it away from his reach.

"Wendy! You said you didn't like it, right?"

"I never said that I didn't like it!"

Wendy took a bite of the apple.

It was crisp, sweet and juicy.

Tears were starting to well in her eyes, but she didn't want to cry in front of Jeffrey, so she blinked repeatedly to calm herself down.

Back when she was still with Jeffrey, she purposely made his life difficult by making all sorts of weird requests to him.

One of them was asking him to buy her an apple at the gates of New York Acting College.

It had been more than two years since she made that request.

She couldn't believe that he actually remembered! When he got into the car, she wanted to beat him up for all the harsh words he said on the phone.

But now, because of the apple, she couldn't help but forgive him.

"When did you come back?"

"Yesterday."

When Wendy turned to look at his face, she saw the dark circles around his eyes. Her heart softened.

"You didn't sleep all night?"

"Of course I didn't!"

"I never asked you to wait for me at my house. I'm not a child. I know how to protect myself. Don't worry about me, okay?"

"You ungrateful woman..."

Wendy gnashed her teeth and raised her clenched fist.

"S\*\*t! Keep talking if you want me to punch your face!"

The fury in her eyes and the fist that backed it up made Jeffrey purse his lips and grit his teeth.

He cowered away from her and, in a weak voice, he said, "I heard that you were in an accident, but I couldn't get in touch with you. I got worried! After all, I'm your ex-boyfriend."

"Did you come back just because of this?"

“Of course...”

He elongated the last word while looking straight into Wendy's eyes.

Then all of a sudden, he exclaimed, “...not!”

She rolled her eyes at him.

“Has your father recovered?”

“He has.”

Jeffrey looked down, away from Wendy's gaze.

“F\*\*k! You're such a loser. You're here to confess your love to her. Why are you holding back what you want to save S\*\*t! If you keep delaying it, someone else will have her!”

“Wendy!” he said, more resolute this time.

“Yes?”

She took out a tissue from her bag and used it to wipe her fingers and wrap the remains of the apple she had just finished eating.

“Where have you been these days? Why are you with Uncle Ryan?”

Jeffrey closed his eyes and gritted his teeth, bracing himself for the possibility that he might not like her answer to his question.

“Do you have a crush on him?”

The silence between them hung heavily in the air.

After a while, he still heard nothing.

Jeffrey opened his eyes slowly, only to be greeted by Wendy looking at him with a faint smile.

“What are you doing?”

Wendy slowly crept her hand close to his face and raised his chin using two fingers.

Jeffrey began to blush.

“You...”

“Jeffrey...”

“What’s wrong?”

An almost evil smile flashed on Wendy’s face, baring her white teeth.

Jeffrey leaned back a little bit and swallowed. Then, the next words that came out of her mouth astonished him so much.

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Wendy was speechless. It turned out that Jeffrey just wanted to have free dinner. She rolled her eyes at him.

“I don’t have money!”

She had only been in the country for a short time, and the only acting job she was able to do was a role in the Story of Concubine Ivanka.

Moreover, she was only paid thirty percent of what she was supposed to earn. Before Raymond had his operation, he had to take a kind of drug to maintain his health.

This cost Wendy all of her money since the drug was worth tens of thousands of dollars per bottle.

One time, she had to borrow two hundred thousand dollars from Reese in order to pay back Ryan for the money she owed.

However, he refused to accept it.

Now, that money remained in her bank account.

Aside from this money, she only had a few thousand dollars in her name.

Knowing what kind of person Jeffrey was certainly didn’t help allay her concerns.

He was a man born with a silver spoon in his mouth.

If she decided to have dinner with him, it would certainly cost her at least a few thousand dollars.

"I have no money!" Wendy shook her head.

"Wendy..."

"I don't have money!"

She spread out her hands with her palms facing up to further hammer down her point.

Seeing this, Jeffrey gritted his teeth.

"S\*\*t! You ungrateful woman! I gave up a well-paying acting opportunity just for you! And you're not even willing to invite me to a meal? How stingy!' He was seething in anger.

"Then I'll treat you. Does that work?"

"Okay!"

Wendy nodded without a second thought.

Jeffrey clenched his fists so hard his nails dug into his palms.

"Give me the address. I'll be there once work is over."

"Call me when you're done with your work. I'll pick you up!" Jeffrey offered.

"Okay!"

Wendy put on her hat, mask, and sunglasses before leaving.

Jeffrey exhaled a giant sigh of relief.

"S\*\*t! The whole process might've been torturous, but at least I was able to ask her out for dinner tonight!"

"Ransom!" he called.

"What?"

"Have you prepared everything I asked you to?"

"Yes."

A look of silent determination crossed Jeffrey's face.

He was no longer going to wait! Tonight would be the night he would confess his love to Wendy! Wendy hadn't been to the set for ten days, but being there felt as though she had never left at all.

Outside the set, there were all kinds of media reporters waiting.

Fortunately, Wendy was familiar with the different routes that she managed to bypass all the reporters and entered the set using a different entrance.

In the set, the staff were busy working.

No one noticed Wendy's arrival.

The actors were gathered in groups, busy talking about the most recent trending topic.

"Have you heard that Brian and Eris have broken off their engagement?"

"Really? I thought they were very much in love? Why did they suddenly cancel their engagement?"

"In love? Ha! It's just another lie. I don't think they cancelled their engagement out of a whim. I heard that for rich families, the most important factor they're considering is reputation. Since Eris is involved in scandals, she must no longer be eligible to be married into a rich family!"

"I heard that Brian had an interview with reporters this morning. He made it clear that he has broken up with Eris."

"What a heartless man! Eris' scandals were only brought to light during Wendy's press conference yesterday. It didn't take long after that for Brian to announce their breakup. That was quick!"

"Exactly! Eris is a b\*\*\*h and Brian is a heartless man. They're a perfect match!"

Hearing what they were talking about, Wendy couldn't help but raise her eyebrows.

She was surprised by how decisive Brian's actions appeared to be.

After all, he loved Eris so much that three years ago, he kicked Wendy in the belly even though she was eight months pregnant.

Wendy never expected Brian would dump Eris so soon.

'Wow! I can only imagine Eris' expression right now'

Wendy went straight to Carter.

With a speaker in one hand, Carter and the props assistant were busy decorating the scene.

“Hello, Carter!”

He squinted his eyes and looked more closely at this person before him.

“Wendy?”

She took off her hat, sunglasses, and mask and smiled.

“Yes, it’s me!”

After a short pause, Carter handed the speaker to his assistant.

“Why didn’t you call me in advance? I could’ve asked the security guards to pick you up. The set was surrounded by reporters this morning. Did you see them?”

Wendy winked at him.

“I used a different entrance.”

“Ha-ha! You’re smart!”

Carter grabbed her wrist and pulled her to an open space. Then, he observed her from head to toe.

“Are you alright?”

“Everything is fine.”

Carter laid his hand on her shoulder and sighed.

Ever since the day of the audition, he had a good impression of Wendy.

After their recent collaboration, he found himself liking her even more.

After all, she was punctual, dedicated, and a certified professional.

Moreover, she was also gentle and kind. No one could ever dislike such a girl.

“Wendy, congratulations! You’ve gone through all the hard times.”

“Thank you for not replacing me!” Wendy joked.

“You should thank someone else for that.”

“What?”

Wendy narrowed her eyes at him.

‘You should thank Glory Media!’

Carter didn’t want to hide it from Wendy.

“Ever since I first saw you, I felt that the role of Lady Faye belongs to you. When you got involved in these malicious scandals, people suggested that I replace you with another actress. Deep in my heart, I really didn’t want to. I know very well that the only person suits to take the role of Lady Faye is you!”

Wendy listened intently, clutching her chest as though she was holding her softening heart.

“At first, your scandals did bring us bad publicity. The investors pressured me to replace you. Some even brought their preferred actress to the set! I almost gave in to the pressure! Fortunately, our biggest investor is Glory Media. The other day, Kane called in person and told me that if you were replaced, Glory Media would withdraw all of their capital!”

Wendy couldn’t believe what she was hearing. She had no idea of all that was happening behind the scenes.

“Carter…”

“So if you want to thank someone, thank your company. I can see that Glory Media views you with utmost importance. You must work very hard in order to not let the company down.”

Wendy nodded in a daze.

“Well, get your makeup ready and change your clothes! We’ll start shooting as soon as possible. We have to get this done quickly!”

“Okay!”

Wendy went to the dressing room with a dazed expression still etched on her face. She greeted the dresser and they began to chat casually.

However, her thoughts were preoccupied with something else.

‘Kane called Carter in person. That means Ryan ordered him to do so’

A bittersweet feeling took hold of her heart.

Without intending to, she took out her phone and searched for Ryan's number.

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"Thank you, Ryan!" the message read.

It didn't take long for him to send a message back.

"277" Wendy lowered her head and began composing her reply.

"Thank you for stopping Carter from replacing me with another actress!"

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She had just moved in the previous night, and now all her remaining worldly possessions were piled up in the living room, making the place look like a dump.

This was not a new apartment. It was usually lent out to students of the nearby colleges.

The decoration was simple.

It was dull and drab.

The old-fashioned furniture seemed to belong to the dark ages and all the electric appliances were old and rusty.

Although the apartment was cleaned up, it still looked very old and decrepit.

The white wall had turned yellowish with age, and cried out for a new coat of paint.

Eris frowned with dissatisfaction, wringing her hands tightly.

The location of the apartment, however, was good.

But the interior was worse than her parents' apartment.

‘So this is Brian's compensation to me!’ The very thought of Brian filled her with nausea.

Her stomach rumbled and growled with hunger. Eris covered her stomach and felt a little hungry.

If she stepped out of the apartment, there was the risk of being recognized.

It was a chance she could not afford to take.

So the option of going downstairs to buy breakfast was out. She scrounged through the fridge in the hope of finding something to eat, but the fridge was filled with mildew.

There was nothing to satisfy her growing hunger.

She pressed her belly and drank up a glass of water, followed by many more glasses of water.

After gulping down liters of water, she felt full. Her eyes turned red and glassy again. She had never suffered such a hopeless situation since she was a child.

Eris gritted her teeth angrily and stared at Brian's face on TV. Her eyes were cold and resentful, as if she wanted to engrave him in her mind. Then, she picked up the remote control and unconsciously changed to the entertainment channel. The channel was broadcasting entertainment news.

The news broadcast Wendy's press conference and Brian's interview.

Then she heard the voice of the presenter.

"To date, Eris has not appeared in public. Reporters have been stationed at the door of her company and her apartment for several hours. However, the staff of Starlight Media informed the reporters that Eris had moved out of the apartment. Hopefully Eris will come forward and offer her fans a much needed explanation for her behavior."

'Fans? Humph!' Eris smiled disparagingly.

She cursed those fans who turned out to be the most hypocritical people ever.

When she was popular and all was well, they loved her and supported her. Now, after she was involved in scandals and was down and out, they began to taunt and abandon her.

Their comments were humiliating and offensive.

Some of their vitriol was too personal as well.

'Humph! Is this how fans should behave? How ridiculous and cheap! After going to the bathroom twice, her stomach was empty again.'

The hunger pangs could not be ignored.

She pressed hard on her belly, but the hunger pangs continued.

In order to maintain her hourglass figure, she had followed a rigid diet.

After losing weight over a period of time, she had become hypoglycemic.

She hadn't had breakfast and lunch yet, so naturally she felt dizzy now.

When she came out of the bathroom, she had to lean against the wall in order to support herself.

'No! I would starve to death here if things went on like this.' Eris staggered to the living room, struggled to open her bag and took out her wallet.

There were only a few bank cards in the wallet and no cash at all.

Then it occurred to her that in the past, Ana was in charge of her life and buy everything she needed.

Therefore, Eris rarely had any cash with her.

More importantly, she had no money in her bank account.

Although she was an A-lister and made a lot of money, she did not have the wisdom to save some money for a rainy day.

In addition, she had only acted for a short period of time so she had very little money saved. Then she remembered that she had generously given her mother two million dollars.

At that time, Eris gave her mother the money, knowing that money would be used to defeat Wendy.

Once Wendy was out of the way, Eris would be able to make more money.

But now, sadly, the company had decided to banish her.

Where else could she make money? She was not suitably qualified to do anything else. Her mind was a clean slate.

Eris went blank.

How could she live without a penny? She was in dire need of money.

She looked at the messy handbags, luxury clothes and accessories strewn in the living room.

'Do I really have to sell these things to make a living? Am I already reduced to a pauper? No! I don't want to live such a miserable life!' Suddenly, she thought of someone.

She adorned her sunglasses, mask and hat to make sure that she wouldn't be recognized.

Then she grabbed her bag and stepped out of the apartment.

Half an hour later, she reached the detention center.

"Dad! Mom!"

Eris had been to hell and back over the past few days.

When she saw Ruben and Cacia, she burst into tears.

She looked haplessly at her parents with tears in her eyes.

As she sat across the table from them, she noticed that they seemed to have aged overnight.

Dressed in bright orange prison uniforms, they looked a total mess, with disheveled hair and dull, depressing expressions.

Cacia looked especially wretched.

More so than Ruben.

She had been slapped hard four times by Wendy at the press conference.

Her face was still swollen like a football.

"Mom!"

"Eris!"

Cacia was even more excited than Eris at their meeting.

When she saw her daughter, her eyes lit up like the jolly sun. She stood up, with excitement and expectation scribbled all over her face.

"Sit down!" the prison guard shouted coldly in an authoritative tone.

Cacia trembled and sat down, panic-stricken.

“Mom!”

“Eris! My dear, please save us. This place is a terrible. We can't stay here a minute longer. If we continue to stay here, we will go crazy! This is a mad house!”

“Save her?” Eris was shell-shocked.

She had never thought about it. It was not that she was not cold-blooded. Her mother had killed Cassie.

With the video evidence, she could be convicted of intentional homicide and never be a free woman again.

Moreover, Wendy had released the video at the press conference.

There were a lot of entertainment reporters present there that day.

Now the whole country knew that Cacia was a cold-blooded murderer.

The mistress had ruthlessly killed Ruben's first wife.

She had usurped Cassie's money and tried to murder her two children.

What an insane woman! People cursed Cacia because of her vicious character and for this reason, she hit the headlines.

The most uncomplimentary news about her did the rounds.

The married women especially, were up in arms.

They wanted to skin Cacia alive! As a result of public interest and input into this case, the police attached great importance to Cacia's intentional homicide.

It was impossible to save her.

She would definitely be sentenced seriously this time considering the anger of the public.

Although Eris didn't know the laws, she did know that in this case, her mother would be imprisoned for the rest of her life.

It was almost impossible to help her get out.

“Mom...”

“Eris, you are my only child. I have devoted all my love to you. I have provided you with everything you ever needed. I love you so much. You must save me.”

Cacia had accepted her fate with great difficulty.

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