

## **Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 372-400**

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 372-Ethan didn't speak, but his expression said it all. He didn't want to discuss this subject with Olivia.

"Liv, I have my considerations." There were things that Ethan couldn't tell Olivia.

Smiling coldly, Olivia said, "She indirectly killed our baby, pushed me into depression for two years, and now she's trying to kill my mother. I'm really curious as to why you're so lenient with her." If he truly loved Marina, why would he go to such lengths to win her favor?

Ethan would never have stooped to doing such things. Olivia was confused.

"Some things are not the way you think they are. I'll tell you everything when the time is right.

It was always about timing with Ethan. Olivia didn't know when the time would be right. She only knew that the conflicts she had been forced into had caused her family to be ruined.

"Rest here for a while. I'll get you some soup." Ethan hurried to the kitchen. He was intent on avoiding that subject.

He opened the pot, and the fragrant smell of the soup wafted in the kitchen. He stirred the soup gently with a wooden ladle.

Ethan's phone vibrated, and he picked it up. It was a call from Brent.

"Mr. Miller, I've looked into it. Mrs. Miller did save Avery Fordham before. But all she did was bring him to the emergency room. She left after paying the bill.

There was no other interaction between them." A stormy expression appeared on Ethan's face. He asked in an irritated tone, "What about Avery's side of things?" "I'm not so sure right now, but it doesn't seem like he's here on business. This might be a personal trip. I was also able to get my hands on his medical report." "What illness does he have?" Brent said slowly, "Kidney failure." "Understood. Get someone to keep an eye on him." "Yes, sir." "And..." Ethan suddenly lowered his voice and glanced at the door. He saw that Olivia was heading upstairs and asked, "How's the investigation on Toxic Hive going?" "There haven't been any developments yet. It seems like

someone is protecting them. I haven't been able to find anything." "Keep the investigation going." "Understood." Ethan hung up, thinking about the woman he grabbed that night. He was almost entirely sure that she was Leia.

He felt conflicted. The sister he missed for so many years was still alive. He should be overjoyed. However, not only did Leia join a terrorist organization and kill innocent people, but the most important thing was that she hurt the woman he loved.

Ethan didn't know how he would feel when he faced his sister.

He was deep in thought and accidentally spilled some of the scalding hot soup on his hand. He immediately came back to his senses.

While waiting for the soup to cool down, Ethan called Kelvin. "How's the investigation at the hospital?" "Ms. Carlton was the only one that went into Mrs. Carlton's ward other than the usual caregiver and medical staff. There aren't any cameras in the ward, so no one knows what happened in there." "Did they perform any other checks? Could someone have used drugs? How else could her condition worsen so abruptly?" "Currently, Mrs. Carlton has been resuscitated and sent to the ICU for observation. A blood test was done. There are no issues." Hanging up, Ethan played with the ladle. His expression grew gloomier.

Toxic Hive was like its name suggested. They were insects that would infiltrate everywhere. Ethan had no idea who they had bribed to provide them protection.

Even his men were unable to uncover any leads.

Toxic Hive was second to none when it came to drugs.

Ethan thought about it for a while and decided to call Marina.

On the other end of the phone, Marina didn't seem surprised. Instead, she was a little distracted.

"Hi, Ethan." Marina sounded tired.

"We haven't eaten together for some time. Why don't we meet up tonight?" Ethan asked. In the past, Marina would be delighted to receive an invitation from Ethan. But she was reluctant this time.

“M Ms. Parker is in the ICU. I need to be at the hospital in case anything happens” Ethan grabbed the ladle tightly. There was a hint of determination on his face.

“Other than having dinner, I also want to talk to you about our marriage.

“M-Marriage?” Marina was so happy she could faint.

“The incident during the engagement party became public knowledge Miller Group’s stocks have become unstable because of it. That’s why I want to discuss our marriage with you.” Ethan knew that their marriage was the one thing Marina cared about the most.

It was the best bait to lure her out.

“Okay, I’ll be there.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 373-Ethan gave Kelvin some instructions. Then, he went upstairs with the cooled soup in his hands.

Sounds of washing up could be heard from the bathroom. Soon, Olivia emerged with droplets of water clinging to her.

As soon as she opened the door, she saw Ethan. Their gazes met.

She hadn’t dried her hair, so it hung in wet clumps.

Her fair face was cold and stern. Her slender collar bones were exposed above the casual clothes she was wearing.

Ethan discreetly looked away. He gulped a little.

When he saw Olivia like that, he was reminded of that enchanting dream. Even the touch of her skin felt too real.

It was so real that he could still remember Olivia’s warmth and her heart-racing sounds.

“The soup is ready. Try it and see if there are any changes.” Olivia had been bustling about all morning, so she didn’t get to have any soup.

Her stomach was already hurting long ago.

When Chris took her away from the island, she left in a hurry. She didn't even bring her medicine.

She had enough doses for a whole month.

She had taken the medicine for two weeks, and in those two weeks, her stomach never hurt. She no longer spat out blood as well.

Colin emphasized that she shouldn't stop taking the medicine. She had to take it regularly.

But after she came back, she tried calling him to no avail. As a result of her stopping the medicine, her stomach began to hurt again.

So, she didn't want to torment her body any further. "Thank you." Ethan wanted to feed her the soup, but she avoided his hand. The temperature was just right, so she downed it in one go.

Ethan grabbed a towel and gently dried her hair with it. His movements were tender, as if he was handling something fragile.

He was careful beyond description.

2/3 Olivia only found it amusing. Still, she didn't stop him from serving her.

After having her fill, she lay on the bed. "I'm going to sleep." She wouldn't argue with Ethan anymore, and she didn't reject his kindness. But she also stopped talking to him unless it was necessary.

Ethan knew that the gap between them couldn't be resolved with only a simple explanation.

He had no choice but to get up and leave. "Rest well." Olivia didn't have time to care about his feelings. She had to be nicer to herself, and she would fight to see another day.

She was no longer pessimistic.

She felt like she was grass growing in the mud. No matter how dire her situation was, she would risk her life to crawl out of the mud and flourish.

She didn't know how long she slept, but she was woken up by her phone. She was still in a daze when she woke up.

“Hello.” Chris’ hoarse voice spoke. “After you left, Chloe’s illness got even worse.

“The doctor has already issued an advanced directive. She only has three days left at most.” Olivia’s sleepiness instantly disappeared. She scrambled to get up. “Don’t panic, Mr. Carlton. I’ll be right there.” She had finally reconciled with Chloe, and she experienced a mother’s love for the first time in her life.

But today, she received news that Chloe was going to die.

Olivia hurriedly changed her clothes. When she got downstairs, she was told that Ethan had also left not long ago.

Olivia didn’t care where he went. She asked the driver to take her to the hospital.

When she arrived, Chris was sitting alone on the bench. He stared unblinkingly into the distance, his eyes losing focus.

“Mr. Carlton,” Olivia called out softly.

Chris’ eyes were red. He said weakly, “You’re here ...” Olivia sat down next to him. “How’s Mom?” “Many of her organs are failing.” Olivia gripped her palm tightly. “How can that be?” Chris looked toward the sky. “I want to ask the same question. Chloe is such a kind woman. Why did she end up like this?” He suddenly thought of something as he continued, “I won’t let her die, no matter what it takes.” “What are you trying to do, Mr. Carlton?” The determination in Chris’ expression looked a little scary.

“Olivia, have you heard of an organization that does both good and evil? They can revive the dead.

“Their medical skills are far superior to the skills of international medical organizations. “If I can find them, Chloe will be saved!”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 374-Olivia’s expression suddenly turned stern at the mention of Toxic Hive. “Mr.

Carlton, I’ll be honest with you. The ones who kidnapped me last time are related to the Toxic Hive. They’re not decent people.” “I know. I used to hate them to the core. They don’t value human lives, but they can bring back the dead. For Chloe’s sake, I have no other choice.” Olivia didn’t know if they

were targeting Chloe because of her. But they always had something up their sleeves, so they might have prepared a trap for Chris.

“If you go to them, you’ll be dealing with the devil.” “Olivia, are you just going to sit by and watch as Chloe dies?” If it were last week, she wouldn’t have cared if Chloe died. But last night, Chloe had embraced her. Olivia couldn’t just watch Chloe die without understanding why.

When Olivia came here, Kelvin told her about the investigation results. No one had entered the ward except for Marina.

Olivia wondered if Marina would do something so inhumane to her stepmother.

She couldn’t figure out what Marina was trying to achieve.

But those were all Olivia’s guesses. She didn’t have any real proof.

Noticing that Olivia remained silent, Chris patted her on the shoulder. “Olivia, I’ve already made my decision.” Olivia watched him leave dejectedly. She felt helplessness spreading throughout her body again.

She didn’t want it to turn out like this, but she had no power or status. She didn’t even know anything about Toxic Hive.

She wanted to help Chloe, but it was beyond her means. She didn’t know what she should do.

She thought of asking Ethan for help, but he was involved with Leia and Marina.

Ethan was closely related to those two people, who were on Olivia’s blacklist.

Olivia didn’t trust him.

Olivia got up. Her purse fell to the floor, and a name card slid out of the open zipper.

She bent down to pick it up, but she stared at the words “Avery Fordham” for a moment.

He was the CEO of an international corporation. He must know about Toxic Hive as well. Olivia wondered if she could ask him for help.

Chapter 374 2/2 But they were practically strangers. It might be a little inappropriate for her to ask such things of him.

Olivia was troubled. When she looked up, she saw a group of people crying pitifully. They looked like they had just lost a loved one.

Gritting her teeth, Olivia dialed the number on the name card.

She was expecting the call to be unanswered. After all, Avery was a busy man.

It should be difficult to contact him via his work number.

Unexpectedly, after about three beeps, the man's gentle voice rang out. "Hello." Olivia couldn't believe that the call went through.

Her heart thumped wildly. A little bewildered, she said, "Hello, Mr. Fordham. It's me, I'm sorry for bothering you out of the blue." Olivia.

When Avery recognized her voice, he sounded a little happy. "Did you encounter some trouble, Ms. Fordham?" "Well, yes. I'm wondering if we can meet up and talk about it." "It would be an honor." The two decided on a place. Then, Avery hung up.

"1 He tapped lightly on Olivia's documents with his index finger. Beside him, his assistant, Bryce Young spoke up.

"Do you have any other questions, Mr. Fordham? Ms. Fordham has never gone overseas before, and her looks might be a coincidence. She probably has nothing to do with the Fordhams." Avery sighed as he rubbed between his eyebrows. "Never mind, I was overthinking it. Olivia looked exactly like my grandmother when she was young." "Many people look alike in this world. It isn't too surprising." very closed the folder. Then, he smoothed his clothes and got up. "Get the car.

Even if we're not related by blood, I still want to meet her."

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 375-Marina ended her call with Ethan. She was panicking before this, but now, she felt like she was on cloud nine.

She was elated that Ethan finally agreed to marry her. This was amazing news to her.

Tossing aside the misery in her heart, she changed her clothes and put on makeup. Then, she went out.

When she was going out, she received a call. She pleaded in a pitiful tone, "I've already done as you said. That woman won't be alive for long. Can't I leave tomorrow? I have an important appointment later." "That won't do. Don't forget, your bone marrow matches hers. If they find out about it, she can still be saved.

"I'll send someone over to pick you up. You should hide for three days. She will be dead in three days at most!" Marina felt a little annoyed. "Fine, then. I'll leave right after this meal." With that, she hung up. She thought that delaying it a little should be fine.

Getting into the car, she watched as the scenery quickly passed by. Marina recalled Chloe's face again.

She used to hate Chloe so much, so now that Chloe was finally going to die, she should be happy about it.

She produced a small mirror from her pocket to fix her makeup. When she touched the card Chloe gave her, she stared at it for a moment.

Chloe said that the password was her birthday. But after so many years, Marina didn't even know when Chloe's birthday was.

Marina began to wonder if Chloe truly deserved to die.

Marina's heart was troubled again.

When Ethan sent her a message asking her where she was, she finally recovered her mood. She hastily sent him her location.

She started a voice message. "Ethan, I'll be there in 10 minutes. Wait-" The voice message was abruptly cut off. A loud crash could be heard in the last 30 seconds.

When Ethan heard that, he knew that something had happened. He tried calling her, but she 375 didn't pick up.

“Change the route. Something happened to Marina!” A large truck had rammed into Marina’s car from the opposite road, sending it flying. Marina’s car landed on a tree by the road.

The dust on the road was kicked up. The people nearby screamed as they hastily dialed 911.

The driver died on the spot. Marina was in the back seat, but she was also seriously injured.

She felt pain all over her body. She saw crimson blood streaming out of her body, but her mind was stunned.

Her phone vibrated continuously. A shard of glass had pierced through her chest.

With all her might, Marina grabbed her phone and answered the call. She was in so much pain that she couldn’t form a whole sentence.

She heard Ethan’s voice. “What happened?” “Car... Ethan, s-save me.’ Marina’s voice was extremely weak. Ethan hastily said, “What’s going on right now? Did you get into an accident?”

“Were you hurt? Where were you hurt? Do you have anyone with you? Don’t move recklessly in case your insides get ruptured, alright?” Marina replied, “My chest ... glass.” Before she could speak a complete sentence, the car door was pulled open.

Marina looked at the person. The man was wearing a black outfit.

He wore a cap on his head, and his climbing jacket was zipped right up to his nose. He had sunglasses on, so she couldn’t see his features at all.

“Ms. Carlton, I’m here to pick you up.” Marina felt a chill run down her spine. Thoughts raced across her head as she realized that something was off.

Marina had insisted on leaving only after her meal with Ethan. But that woman arranged a traffic accident to stop her.

She couldn’t believe how cruel that woman was.

“Who’s talking?” Ethan’s voice sounded in her ear. “Don’t worry, I’ve promised Kurt to protect you. I’ll be there right away.” 3/3 Marina saw the man standing against the light, reaching for her phone. She couldn’t stop him at all.

Tears rolled down her cheeks. “It’s too late. It’s all too late now. Ethan, be careful of He-” Her voice was abruptly cut off. The call had ended.

When Ethan tried calling her again, the call wouldn’t go through.

He wondered who Marina was warning him about, or who she had provoked.

When he arrived, the scene was a chaotic mess.

“Mr. Miller, the driver is dead. Ms. Carlton is missing.” □

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 376-Marina was quickly transported into a truck.

There was professional medical equipment in the truck, and doctors as well. It was like an ambulance.

As soon as she got into the truck, someone began treating her. An oxygen mask was placed on her nose, and she took in large gulps of air.

She wasn’t quite conscious, and her eyes couldn’t focus. She could only see a few people tending to her wounds.

She had lost a lot of blood, so she knew that she would die for sure.

Many memories surfaced in Marina’s mind. Her last memories were of Chloe looking weak and powerless, and that day when she pushed Olivia off the ship.

She felt like she saw the snow dancing in the air again, and the cold sea breeze blew the snowflakes right at her.

The sea was very cold that night. Olivia lost her child because of that.

This was probably Marina’s punishment for hurting others.

But Marina didn’t understand why she would do this.

The truck stopped moving at an unknown location. Then, the people moved Marina's body out of the truck.

Marina still hadn't fainted throughout the ordeal. She knew that she would see that person again. She just wanted to ask that woman why she had to be treated this way.

Roses filled Marina's vision. The woman was wearing a black cocktail dress.

Her bare legs were crossed.

Her skin was fair, and her figure was slender and charming.

She had exquisite makeup on her face. She lazily gazed at Marina.

Marina was wearing the oxygen mask, and her lips trembled. Her breaths turned into white fog that spread across the mask, and her voice was so small that no one could hear her.

Standing up, the woman glided toward her. She didn't look the least bit compassionate when she saw the bloodied Marina.

Marina reached out, trying to grab the woman's wrist. But her hand was too weak.

The woman curved her lips into a charming smile. "Let me guess. You want to know if I had arranged the traffic accident, right?" Her nails were painted with red polish. Her fingers touched Marina's face. "Yes, it was me. I've already reminded you, but you're the one who disobeyed.

Disobedient children should be punished." Marina's eyes widened. She could hardly believe the truth, for it had completely overturned her understanding.

Beside her, the man told her about the examination results. She had compound fractures on her body, and the glass on her chest was the most dangerous injury.

They had to get the glass out with an operation as soon as possible.

The woman waved her hand. "Take it out, then. No need for anesthetics. She should watch it with her own eyes." Marina raised her hand to express her dissatisfaction. The woman sneered.

“Are you curious why I would treat you like this? That’s because...” The woman leaned in and whispered in Marina’s ear.

Marina’s expression shifted. She reached out to take off her oxygen mask, and her fingers touched the glass in her chest. She looked like she wanted to pull it out to kill both the woman and herself.

But she had no energy, so she couldn’t do anything. The woman looked quite pleased. “Enjoy what it feels like to wish you were dead!” Marina was taken away. The woman even told them, “You don’t have to be too nice to her. Just make sure she’s still alive.” “Understood.” The woman casually picked a random rose that was blooming vibrantly. Holding it to her nose, she took in its scent. “What a wonderful day.” young woman walked out of the shadows. She was wearing a white dress, and she had long flowing hair.

Her face was pretty and exquisite. Her eyes were identical to Ethan’s.

She walked out from among the roses. She was so beautiful that she looked like she had walked out of a painting.

Before the woman, she said in a respectful tone, “Madam, we just received the news. The head of the Carltons, Chris Carlton, wants to see you.” Chris, huh...” Chapter 375 The woman smiled. “Sure. Arrange a time for me.” The young lady was a little stunned. She didn’t expect the woman to agree so readily. The woman seemed to be in a good mood. She let go of the rose. The petals flew in the air as she stepped mercilessly on it.

“Understood.” The woman patted her on the shoulder.

“Remember this, Leia. Once you walk down this path, you won’t have the chance to turn back anymore. Even your brother will be no more than a stranger to the likes of us.” The young lady lowered her gaze, her long eyelashes hiding the shadow in her eyes. Like a puppet void of expression, she said, “I understand.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 377-Olivia had arrived at the café early on. After learning about Avery’s identity, she felt a little nervous. The Fordhams were only a middle-class family in Aldenvine before they went bankrupt.

But Avery owned a huge corporation that was internationally famous. He usually met either high-ranking government officials or influential leaders in the industry.

When Avery opened the door and walked in, Olivia stood up. She looked nervous as she said, "Hello, Mr. Fordham." In their past two meetings, Avery had been in a rush. Avery wasn't sure if it was because of her looks, but he felt a sense of familiarity around her.

"You don't have to be so formal, Ms. Fordham. Have a seat." The two sat down opposite each other. Olivia clasped her hands together as she spoke in a trembling voice. "Pardon me, Mr. Fordham, but I have something to ask of you." "Please don't say that, Ms. Fordham. You saved my life. It doesn't matter what sort of help you want me to provide. You can just tell me." Avery had an earnest look on his face. Olivia knew that he must sincerely wish to thank her. Otherwise, he would've settled it by giving her money.

"Time is of the essence, so I won't beat around the bush. Mr. Fordham, how much do you know about Toxic Hive?" Avery took a few sips of the lemonade. Setting down the glass, he had a serene look on his face.

"Hm, I may know more about them than the average person. Ms. Fordham, tell me what you want me to do. As long as it's something I can do, I won't decline." Olivia replied, "I was kidnapped by people from Toxic Hive some time ago, and I almost died. Their people targeted me on various occasions.

"Not only that, but my mother was diagnosed with leukemia. We still haven't found a matching bone marrow donor for her.

"She wasn't supposed to be in the advanced stage. But her condition suddenly worsened this morning. The doctor has already issued an advanced directive." Olivia spoke quickly. She didn't hide anything from this stranger that she had only met for the third time.

"I'm suspecting that Toxic Hive did something to her. That's why she worsened ahead of time.

Chapter 377 213 "Now, to save my mother's life, my stepfather is going to make a trade with Toxic Hive. I fear that they may already have a trap in place." Olivia looked helpless. "I'm sorry for asking you to do something like this even though we just got to know each other, Mr. Fordham. But I have no other choice.

“Six months ago, my father got into an accident. Now, my mother only has a few dozen hours left. I only dared to ask you for help after learning about your identity.” Avery said, “Please don’t say that, Ms. Fordham. I wouldn’t just sit by and watch even if it’s solely because we share the same last name.

“I can do something about Toxic Hive, but what do you want me to do?” Olivia’s mind was in a mess. “I ... want to save my mother’s life, but I don’t trust Toxic Hive. There’s a deep grudge between me and Toxic Hive. To be honest, I don’t know what to do.” She spoke at a slow pace. “If possible, I want to find the person who keeps trying to kill me. But she has gone into hiding these days, so I can’t find her anywhere.” With that, Olivia seemed a little regretful. She thought that she sounded a little pathetic for telling a stranger about this.

She didn’t know what came over her. She felt very reassured when she met Avery. Before she knew it, she had already told him everything on her mind.

Avery rubbed his fingers against the smooth glass. “Calm down. I’ll think of a way to help you figure out who tried to kidnap and kill you.

“As for your mother, I’ll send people to ask around in Toxic Hive. I’ll try to make sure that stepfather won’t be harmed. Is that okay?” your Olivia nodded. “Do you have a way, Mr. Fordham?” Seeing her gleaming eyes, Avery had the urge to get her even the stars in the sky.

“Yes, I have some connections. I’m glad that I can help you too. It’s getting late, so do order something to eat. You need to eat to get energy. I’ll go out and make a call.” Olivia nodded, watching the man leave elegantly. She felt much more secure now.

Avery walked to a deserted corridor, his assistant following right after him. He had a dark look n his eyes. The gentleness he had when he was with Olivia was gone.

“Two things. One, find the person who tried to kill Ms. Fordham. Two, protect Chris.” Bryce nodded. “Understood, Mr. Fordham.” After thinking for a moment, Bryce added, “Mr. Fordham, why are you so nice to Ms.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 378-Avery returned to the private room with a faint smile on his lips. “Sorry for the wait. I’ve already sent someone to deal with your problems. Don’t worry.” The man looked a little

pale. When he smiled, there was a tiny dimple on his left cheek. He looked much friendlier now.

“Thank you so much. Mr. Fordham, you don’t look too well. Why don’t you get treated at the hospital? It’d be dangerous if you fainted again like you did last time.” “It’s an old issue. It’s nothing too serious.” The waiter came over with their food. Olivia smiled at Avery. “I ordered some food. I don’t know if you’d like what I ordered, though.” Avery had maintained this amicable air about him. So, Olivia didn’t feel as nervous as she did at the beginning.

As they dined, Olivia was surprised to find that her tastes were like Avery’s.

They dropped slightly more of the formalities from before.

Avery gazed at her with a gentle look in his eyes. “I think of my sister when I see you. She’s about the same age as you.” “Your sister must be very pretty.” At the mention of his sister, Avery’s eyes lit up. “Yes, she’s very pretty. She was the apple of everyone’s eye since young. We pampered her to no end. But then…” With that, the light suddenly went out of Avery’s eyes. Olivia hastily asked, “Did something happen to her?” “That troublesome child went missing. I came here to look for her. I received news that she had entered this country.” “Is she still in Aldenvine?” “I’m not sure. The only thing I know for sure is that she came here. She might have hidden her tracks to prevent us from locating her. So, even after arriving here, I still haven’t found her.” “No wonder you fainted by the road that day. Was it because you were looking for Ms. Fordham?” Avery nodded. “Yes.” He pulled up a photo on his phone. “This is my sister. I will be leaving Aldenvine soon. If find any clues, please inform me.” you Chapter 378 2/3 The woman in the photos was wearing a black outfit as she leaned against a black motorcycle.

She looked cool and wild.

“Ms. Fordham has quite the personality. I thought that people from great families like yours would always be elegant. I never expected her to be this cool.” “Ah, yes.” At the mention of his sister, Avery added, “Quinn was quite docile when she was young. But then, she somehow started rebelling.

“She refused to study, and she would either chase after celebrities or race on the streets. We’re very concerned about her. Last year, she got herself a boyfriend, and she insisted on getting married to him.

“She’s already of marriageable age, but she’s the treasured daughter of the Fordhams, after all. It’s not that we only accept wealthy candidates ...

“However, the man had a less-than-satisfying background. He also has a history of domestic violence and being generally unkind to women. He also didn’t seem like the ambitious type.

“Ms. Fordham, if it were you, would you let your sister get married to someone like him?” Olivia shook her head. “Marriage is different from dating. It’s a woman’s second chance to change her life. If she chooses the wrong person, she will fall from heaven right into hell.

“I can see that Ms. Fordham was taking the plunge without thinking about it.” Olivia knew this all too well. Ethan had an amazing background, but in the end, he left her with nothing but wounds and scars.

“Yes, we just want Quinn to marry someone reliable, and someone who’d sincerely treat her well. But no matter how you look at that man, he didn’t fulfill those requirements.” Olivia had more or less guessed what happened. “After your family objected to it, did Ms. Fordham run away with this man?” Avery frowned deeply. “Yes. For the past six months, the man had convinced her to stand up against her family. She thought that we wanted to marry her off so that the family’s status could be secured.

“I’m not boasting here, but there aren’t many families in this world that could rival ours. We’re not in any financial crisis, either, so why would we form a marriage alliance?

“Even if we did want to arrange a marriage, she has four older brothers. We would be the ones getting an arranged marriage instead.

“We can’t possibly sacrifice the future of our sister, who we pampered and loved since young.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 379-Olivia could imagine how much the Fordhams loved Quinn. She was also amazed at how rich they were.

She couldn’t imagine just grabbing a billion dollars and running away.

“So she never contacted you?” “No. She blocked us before she left. We couldn’t contact her at all.” “What about the money? She’ll have to spend some money at least, right? Can’t you figure out where she is based on the sources of her expenditure?” Avery shook his head. “I wish we could. Two

months ago, she caused quite a lot of damage to the house. When she left, the whole family was cleaning up after her.

“We feared that she would do something even worse if we cornered her. So, we decided to let her leave for now.

“We hoped that she would choose to come home after realizing how dark things could be outside.

“But we didn’t expect her to hide her traces. She also began laundering the money quickly. She transferred the billion dollars out of her account.

“When we realized that something was wrong, she had already arrived in Aldenvine. Her account was empty, so we couldn’t locate her based on her expenditure.” The more Olivia heard, the more suspicious it sounded to her. “Mr. Fordham, this doesn’t sound like eloping. It feels more like it was planned ahead of time.

“If they could launder the money in such a short time, they must have a professional team behind the scenes. They could even avoid getting tracked by your family. Do you think Ms. Fordham was scammed?” Avery agreed. “We thought the same as well. We went to look for the man’s family, but we realized that his nationality and identity were all faked. No one knew who he truly was.

“My family has been searching for a whole month. I especially came to Aldenvine because she said that she loved this country and wanted to live here.

“I’ve been here for a week, but I haven’t heard any news about her.” Avery sighed heavily. “We’re all very anxious these days. We just want to find Quinn as soon as possible. That child...” The phone on the desk started vibrating. Giving Olivia an apologetic look, he answered the call.

Chapter 379 22 2/2 “Hello.” His voice was gentle.

A charming female voice sounded from the other end of the line. “Have you found Quinn, Avery?” Avery answered honestly, “I haven’t gotten any news so far.” “She might have left Aldenvine already. Take care, Avery. Don’t miss your dialysis appointment. You’re all alone outside, and I’m worried about you.” “Silly child, I’m fine. Just stay home and take good care of Dad and Mom. I’ll bring Quinn back.

“Okay. Then I won’t bother you anymore, Avery.” The call ended. Avery said, “That was the sixth child of our family, Sia. Unlike Quinn, she’s gentle and obedient.” Olivia noticed the tenderness in his gaze. She couldn’t help but exclaim, “You have quite the lively family, Mr. Fordham.” “Yes, my parents have always been close to each other. After Sia was born, my mother’s health declined. It was only then that she stopped giving birth.” Avery remembered what he read from Olivia’s documents. Her parents divorced early on, and she had been living in a single-parent household all this while.

Her father got into an accident two years ago, and she got divorced six months ago. He could see that her life was quite tough as well.

“Would you like something more to eat?” Avery asked gently.

Olivia shook her head. “It’s okay, I’m quite full. Thank you, Mr. Fordham.” Thinking of something, Olivia returned to the topic.

“Mr. Fordham, can I ask a few more questions about Toxic Hive? I heard that they did a lot of experiments in various countries, and they hurt a lot of people.

Is that true?” Avery took a sip of the lemonade. “Yes, but no one probably told you about Toxic Hive’s previous form.” Olivia was a little surprised. “Toxic Hive’s previous form?” Avery touched the glass in his hand. There was a deep look in his eyes, which Olivia couldn’t understand. “Everything in this world has two sides. Nothing is entirely good, nor is there anything wholly bad.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 380-Seeing that there was no one around them, Avery revealed the truth.

“In reality, the medical organization that was first established was called Peace’s Embrace. The name signified their wish for everything in the world to be embraced by peace.

“At first, this organization was established for research that would benefit humanity. It invited top scholars and specialists from various countries.

“This was so that they could focus on illnesses that humanity couldn’t cure.

Examples would be cancer, AIDS, leukemia, rabies, and other diseases caused by viruses.

“But gradually, there was a disagreement within the organization.” Olivia asked, “What disagreement?” “Some experiments were inhumane. Experiments usually need clinical trials. It wasn’t something you could achieve with the loss of one or two human lives.

“They hired anyone willing at a high price. Those volunteers would sign the death waiver of their own accord. But not everyone was willing to do that.

“Since they lacked subjects, they would have to get more via special methods.” With that, Avery glanced at Olivia. “You know about organizations that profit by illegally selling humans as goods, right? They don’t care about their consciences at all.

“People who were bought through those channels usually had a strong desire to live. That’s when the disagreement happened.

“Some people thought that it was inhumane to conduct experiments on people who wanted to live. It was no different from killing them.

“The others only wanted good results. They thought that it would be worth sacrificing the lives of a few to save even more.

“Hence, after a huge argument, a part of the organization left with the extremists. Then, they established the organization known as Toxic Hive.

“Toxic Hive and Peace’s Embrace are like the sun and the moon. They had different methods of doing things. In the end, things went out of hand, and Toxic Hive didn’t care about human lives anymore.” When Olivia heard that, she felt emotional. “I didn’t know it had such a history.” “According to what I know, Toxic Hive has connections with officials in many countries. But your country has always strictly prohibited them.

Chapter 100 “Toxic Hive can’t officially build their nest here, so they would do it in secret at most. As soon as they were found out, they would be rooted on the spot.

“So, only a minor branch of Toxic Hive is stationed here. Its roots are also quite shallow, so there’s nothing to be afraid of.” Avery reached up to pat Olivia on the head, but he stopped himself in time. He was too used to comforting his sisters at home.

“Don’t worry, I’ll help you.” Olivia chatted with him for a while until Kelvin knocked on the door. “Mrs. Miller, Mr. Miller is waiting for you at home.” Olivia gave Avery an apologetic glance. “I have to go.” “Okay.” They exchanged contact information. Avery said gently, “I’ll contact you as soon as I get information.” “Thank you.” Olivia followed Kelvin into the car. Kelvin’s expression didn’t look too good. “Mrs.

Miller, do you know his identity?” “Yes, I do.” “He’s a prominent figure, but he invited only you for a meal. I think he has ulterior motives.” Olivia was feeling frustrated with everything going on at that moment. So, she didn’t react too well either. “What’s the matter? Do I not have the freedom to dine with someone of the opposite sex now?” “I don’t mean it like that. I just worry that you might be in danger. Toxic Hive is still out and about, but Mr. Fordham asked to meet you for no reason.

“I was just worried. You still don’t know what happened to Ms. Carlton, right?” The topic suddenly changed. Olivia looked at him. “What happened to Marina?” “Mr. Miller wanted to meet up with her to ask about some things. But on her way here, she met with an accident. The driver died on the spot, and she was taken away.” It was Olivia’s turn to be surprised. “Was it a serious accident?” “Judging from the traces at the scene, it was very serious. There was a lot of blood in the backseat. Even if Ms. Carlton didn’t die, she won’t be alive for long.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 381-Back in the Miller residence, Ethan had a slightly sad look on his face. But when he saw Olivia, his gaze instantly turned gentle.

“You’re back.” Olivia couldn’t care about what had happened between them. She walked right up to Ethan.” What happened to Marina?” “We’re not sure if she’s alive or not.” “Is it the work of Toxic Hive?” “We can’t be sure about that yet. I wanted to meet up to ask her about Ms.

Parker. I didn’t expect something to happen to her even before we managed to meet up. But she probably won’t die.” Olivia asked, “Why?” “If they wanted to silence her by killing her, they could just give it a little push after the accident. She was barely alive then, and she would be considered dead because of an accident.

“They went through the trouble to take her away, so it’s obvious that they’re not after her life.” Olivia frowned as well. She asked, “Why would they do

something to Marina?" If Olivia was Chloe's reason for getting harmed, she wondered what Marina's was.

Ethan rubbed between his eyebrows, exhausted. "There's one thing we can be sure of. Marina has something to do with the sudden worsening of Ms. Parker's condition.

"They were probably worried that Marina might tell me something when we met up. So, they planned the accident." Olivia punched the back of the couch. "Who exactly are they? Why would this benefit them at all?" At first, she could pinpoint it on Leia. But now that these things had happened, she couldn't understand what they were trying to do at all.

She wondered if their ultimate goal was to get rid of Ethan and everyone close to him.

Ethan had a cold and stern look on his face. "We can't determine anything at the moment." "Does Mr. Carlton know about this?" "We can't hide it. The car belonged to the Carltons, and the family already knew about the serious accident. Mr. Carlton Senior and Mr. Carlton must've known about it by now." Chapter 381 While Ethan was speaking, his phone rang. It was a call from Otto.

Even from a distance away, Olivia could hear Otto's furious shouts over the phone. Otto ended the call.

Reaching out, he patted Olivia on the head. "I don't know what they're after. But for your safety, you shouldn't go out anymore for the time being. I don't want anything to happen to you." With that, he showed Olivia what was left at the scene. Marina was taken away, but the large puddle of blood on the backseat sent chills down Olivia's spine.

She could also see some blood on the shattered glass. Marina must be done for this time.

"Don't worry, it's safe at home. I'll ask someone to send the child here. You like Connor a lot, don't you?" Olivia's eyes lit up. She hadn't seen the child in a long time. Her eyes were shining. "Really? Can I?" Ethan felt guilty for a moment when he saw the look in her eyes. Lowering his head, he planted a kiss between her eyebrows. "Of course. I'll visit the Carltons to handle the matters related to Marina.

“Don’t go out for the time being. If you have to, make sure to tell me, alright?” Olivia replied, “Okay.” Ethan didn’t ask about Avery. He hastily left the Miller residence.

He had just left when the child arrived. Olivia hadn’t seen Connor in a long time, and he was already quite adept at walking.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 382-Not only Erina’s looks but even her personality was the opposite of Connor’s.

The little girl’s eyes were filled with enmity toward Olivia. She was young, but she knew everything.

Mina hastily said, “I’m so sorry, Ms. Fordham. Erina is shy, so she doesn’t like strangers getting close to her.” Olivia had already retracted her hand. She wouldn’t blame the child for her hate toward Olivia. But since Erina hated her, she wouldn’t try to please Erina, either.

Their relationship was quite odd. Connor was Marina’s child as well, but Olivia felt a sense of familiarity when she first met him.

“It’s okay, she’s just a child. But what about you?” Olivia looked at Mina’s leg. “Is your leg okay?” Back on the ship, Jack had shot Mina.

Mina smiled. “Thank you for your concern, Ms. Fordham. I wasn’t seriously hurt.

I’ve already rested and recuperated for a few months.

“Even though the injured nerves need time to heal, it won’t affect how I take care of the children.” By the looks of it, Jack had been merciful. If not, Mina’s leg would’ve been done for.

“I’m glad that you’re fine.” Olivia set Connor down. Connor had grown a lot, so he felt heavy in her arms.

The only thing that hadn’t changed about him was his tendency to drool.

Reaching out, Olivia pinched him on the nose. “Look at all that drool, little guy.” Grinning, Connor revealed his snowy white teeth. A light dimple appeared on his left cheek.

It wasn't obvious before, but now, Olivia could see it. She was puzzled. Ethan and Marina didn't have dimples, so it didn't make sense for Connor to have one.

Avery's face suddenly popped up in Olivia's mind. When he smiled, he had a dimple on his left cheek as well.

Olivia shook her head. She didn't know where her mind was going.

This trait probably skipped a generation or two as it was being passed down.

Chapter 382 2/2 "Mommy, play ball." Connor held a small yellow ball in his arms. It was the ball he had played with Olivia before.

Mina took Erina to the couch to change her diapers. Smiling, she explained, "Master Connor likes to play ball with me at home. When he's upset, he sulks while hugging the yellow ball.

"He would put it next to him even when he was sleeping. When I was packing up for him today, he kept holding it in his arms." Olivia felt guilty when she heard that. She recalled the night when she lured the child out with the yellow ball. She almost jumped into the ocean with Connor in her arms.

But Connor didn't know about these things. He only knew that he was happy to see Olivia again.

His heart was filled with Olivia, and he only had eyes for her. His eyes glimmered.

Olivia kissed him on the forehead. "What a silly little guy." Connor gripped her clothes with his little hands. He even nuzzled against her chest, looking quite obedient.

Mina was stunned. "I've never seen Master Connor being so attached to someone before." "Isn't he like this at home?" Olivia asked.

Mina shook her head. "Not at all. Master Connor developed faster than Ms.

Erina, and he's smart as well. He could say 'Daddy' when he was just a few months old.

"Mrs. Miller kept trying to get Master Connor to call her 'Mommy', but he never did." Olivia was stunned when she heard that. "Doesn't he call everyone

‘Mommy’?” Mina smiled. “You must be joking, Ms. Fordham. Master Connor is very smart.

I’ve been taking care of him ever since a few days after his birth. Ever since learning how to talk, he would call me Ms. Mina.

“Six months ago, he started mumbling ‘Mommy’ sometimes, and even in his sleep too. But he refused to call Mrs. Miller that in front of her. Mrs. Miller would always be pissed off by that.”

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 383-It was Olivia’s turn to be puzzled now. She wondered what was going on with the child.

When she first met him, he didn’t even know how to walk. But he would tug at her clothes and call her “Mommy”.

“Are you serious? He never called anyone that before?” “I’m sure of it. I am always around him, after all. Other than his mumbles, he never called anyone ‘Mommy’. He may be young, but he’s very much like Mr.

Miller.

“Ever since he learned how to walk, he rarely lets anyone carry him. That’s why I was surprised to see him getting so close to you, Ms. Fordham. He even calls you ‘Mommy’.” Olivia felt a little awkward when she heard that. She could only find an excuse.

“It was probably when we stayed on the island. I always took care of him back then, so maybe he learned to depend on me.” “That makes sense. Speaking of which, you were so brave that night, Ms.

Fordham. The kidnapers were armed, but you ran after them anyway.

“If it weren’t for you, Master Connor wouldn’t have made it back home.” Olivia put on an awkward smile. Then, she glanced down at Connor.

While she was chatting with Mina, Connor leaned against her chest. He played with the decorations on her clothes. He was drooling again, and he looked quite innocent and carefree.

Mina quickly changed Erina’s diapers. Then, she made some milk for Erina.

Erina sat obediently on the couch to drink the milk, but her eyes were trained on Olivia.

Olivia felt a little uneasy about it. Erina's face was just like the mini version of Marina's. Olivia felt like Marina was staring at her.

Mina walked up to Connor. "Master Connor has outgrown diapers by now. I'll take him to the bathroom." Connor cocked his head to the side. He leaned right against Olivia's arms as he spoke. His pronunciation had gotten clearer. "Mommy, hug." "Let me do it." Olivia carried Connor to the bathroom.

She wondered if Connor was traumatized because she had suddenly left him alone back then.

Now, his greatest fear was Olivia abandoning him again. So, he refused to be away from Olivia for even a moment.

Chapter 383 717 Olivia's troubled heart healed a lot because of Connor's arrival.

She couldn't see any traces of Marina on Connor's face. Hence, Olivia felt a sense of familiarity with him.

Connor seemed to like her a lot. Even when she put him down, he insisted on following her around like a tail.

Madam Burgess prepared the meal while Mina took care of Erina. Erina sat on the baby stool, but Connor insisted on sticking to Olivia.

"Master Connor likes you so much, Mrs. Miller. People would mistake him for your son." Madam Burgess spoke without thinking much about it. She only realized her mistake when she had finished her sentence. "Mrs. Miller, I—" "I know you don't have any ill intentions. It's okay." Mina also spoke up. "Master Connor, I'll feed you after I've fed Ms. Erina. Be good and wait for me, okay?" Connor opened his mouth, acting like a baby bird waiting to be fed. "Mommy feed." Olivia smiled helplessly. "Alright, fine. Aunt Olivia will feed you." Connor corrected her sternly. "You're Mommy." "Aunt Olivia." "Mommy." They had already argued over this countless times on the island. Olivia always lost to him. In the end, she decided not to argue with the child anymore.

When they were on the island, Connor mainly drank milk. Now, he drank milk sparingly and was preparing to eat proper food.

Madam Burgess pampered the children, so she made a lot of weaning food for them.

Olivia asked, "What does he like to eat?" Mina rattled off a long list. Before Olivia could say anything, Madam Burgess spoke up.

"Why does Master Connor have the exact same preferences as you, Mrs. Miller? You two even hate the same things."

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 384-Chris was at the Carlton residence. He was already grieving, but now, even his daughter's life was in danger. He looked very worn out.

Even Ethan pitied Chris when he saw the latter like this. "Mr. Carlton, don't worry too much. Marina must still be alive. If not, they wouldn't have gone through the trouble to take her away.

Chris sighed. "Even if she's still alive, she won't be alright..." Otto slammed his hands on the table. "Who are those people? How dare they attack my granddaughter in broad daylight?" After all, he loved his granddaughter the most since she was young. He would risk his life to fight anyone who dared to hurt her.

"The current evidence points to the Toxic Hive." Otto's expression shifted. "That's impossible! It couldn't have been the Toxic Hive!" Ethan had a feeling that Otto was overreacting. He turned to look at Otto, a deep look flashing across his dark eyes. "Why couldn't it have been the Toxic Hive?" Otto hastily hid his emotions. "You have been cracking down on Toxic Hive, haven't you? How would they dare to cause trouble in broad daylight?"

"Moreover, my granddaughter didn't have any grudges with them. Why would they do it?" Ethan frowned deeply. "Toxic Hive is getting more arrogant these days. Instead of a medical organization, they were more akin to terrorists.

"I had someone retrieve the footage from the hacked surveillance cameras at the scene. We can determine that the man who appeared at the scene was a member of Toxic Hive." Otto wanted to retort, but Ethan showed him the evidence. "This is the man who took Marina away." "This man is covered from head to toe. How can you be sure that he's from Toxic Hive?" Ethan zoomed in. An eagle tattoo was half exposed on the man's wrist.

“This man’s original name is Ryan Woods. He’s one of the members of Toxic Hive, and his most distinctive feature is this tattoo of his. He was also one of the people involved in the kidnapping.” Chris slammed his cup. “Those toxic people! They’re getting too bold nowadays!” Chapter 384 2/2 Ethan comforted Chris, but he kept looking at Otto.

When Otto saw the evidence, he wasn’t angry. Instead, he was filled with disbelief.

His reaction was simply too odd.

Gripping Ethan’s hand, Chris said, “This morning, I contacted Toxic Hive and agreed on a time to meet up with them. Ethan, you should take the opportunity to capture them all!” “Mr. Carlton, why did you contact Toxic Hive?” Chris said in regret, “The hospital has issued an advanced directive for Chloe. I knew that Toxic Hive has been researching leukemia these days.

“I was out of options, so I wanted to make a deal with them. But I didn’t expect that something would happen to Marina!” Thinking for a moment, Ethan spoke up. “Please calm down, Mr. Carlton. If it is the Toxic Hive, then Marina would be in their hands. If I try to capture them, it would only endanger her.

“What do you mean?” “Since Toxic Hive agreed to meet up with you, let’s just play along and see what they’re planning. We shouldn’t alert them.” As Ethan coaxed Chris, Chris’ anger slowly receded. It was true. If he acted on his anger, it would only kill his daughter and Chloe.

“What ideas do you have, Ethan?” Ethan said in a low voice, “I’ll go with you to meet them.” “No! That’s too dangerous.” “I have to go because it’s dangerous. We’ve always had limited knowledge of Toxic Hive. This would be a great opportunity to understand them.” After thinking about it, Chris still didn’t think it was a good idea. “No, it’s just too risky.” “Mr. Carlton, I have personal reasons as well.” It was his only chance to see Leia again.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 385-Chris contacted Toxic Hive again. He thought that they would reject communication after Mariña’s incident. Unexpectedly, they told him to go to the agreed place on time.

He didn’t know what Toxic Hive was thinking. Since they were bold enough to say that, he would be brave enough to meet them as well.

After planning their strategy, Ethan had to go back and get ready. When he left, he noticed that Otto was in a daze. Otto seemed to be very out of it.

After leaving the Carlton residence, Ethan gave an order. "Investigate what Mr.

Carlton Senior has been doing and the people he met." Brent knew what he meant right away. "Mr. Miller, are you suspecting Mr.

Carlton Senior?" "If no one is hiding the Toxic Hive, we would've found traces of them by now.

Few people in Aldenvine can do that. There was something off about Mr. Carlton Senior today." Brent frowned, saying, "With a status like that, Mr. Carlton Senior won't get involved with those scum, will he?" "Do you know why scammers who sell health products always target old people? Is it because old people are stupid? No, it's because the older people get, the wiser they become.

"The scammers keep succeeding because old people all have a critical weakness." Brent asked, "What is it?" "They're afraid of death. The more powerful they are, the more they fear death.

The officials of other countries started contacting Toxic Hive for medicine.

"After all, their medicine is far better than the ones available on the market." Brent concluded, "So you think that Mr. Carlton Senior shares the same thought." "A few years ago, Mr. Carlton Senior's legs started getting weak. He's much better now compared to before. So, he might have made a deal with Toxic Hive.

"That's why he was in disbelief when he learned that Toxic Hive had something to do with Marina's accident." Ethan scoffed. "He probably thinks of Toxic Hive as his business partner. He even thinks that the Toxic Hive can only depend on him to survive.

"He didn't realize how much the Toxic Hive has evolved all these years." Brent fell silent for a moment. Then, he sighed. "Mr. Carlton Senior has gotten old, after all.

Chapter 385 He's confused." "Of course, this is just my guess. Go and look into it." "Understood." Ethan's guesses were usually quite close to the truth.

2/2 “Mr. Miller, it’s dangerous for you to go with Chris to meet the Toxic Hive. We have to prepare for it. Do I summon our men?” “It’s okay. If Toxic Hive agrees to meet someone, they won’t have the meeting in their nest. If we have too many men with us, it’ll only alert them. Just do as she has told us to.” Ethan returned to the Miller residence. Mina was in the living room, playing with Erina.

When Mina saw Ethan coming back, she hastily got up and greeted, “Mr. Miller.” “Where is she?” “She’s upstairs bathing Master Connor. Master Connor is very attached to Ms.

Fordham.” Even if Mina hadn’t told him, Ethan knew how attached Connor was to Olivia.

He quickly went up the stairs. When he opened the door to the master bedroom, he could hear Connor’s crisp voice giggling.

Olivia was also smiling happily, which was a rare sight.

“You little rascal, don’t spray the water around! Look, I’m all wet now! Oh, now you’ve done it. If you keep splashing water on me, I’ll splash it back on you!” The two played together happily. When Olivia saw the man standing at the entrance, she couldn’t even react in time, so the smile remained on her face.

When Connor saw Ethan, his eyes gleamed. He called out in a sweet voice, “Daddy!” His smile could heal everything. Ethan walked toward him.

Reaching out, Ethan caressed Connor’s head. “Good kid.” Olivia glanced at Ethan. Her usually gloomy and cold face was now as warm as the sun.

She didn’t realize that Ethan loved Connor so much.

But Olivia found Ethan’s smile blinding. He had probably forgotten that once upon a time, he had a child who never saw the sun before they died.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 386-The light disappeared from Olivia’s eyes. Putting down the towel, she said coldly, “Go ahead and bathe him. I’ll go change my clothes.” With that, she strode out of the room without waiting for Ethan’s reaction.

She couldn’t bring herself to hurt a child, but she couldn’t bear to see Ethan pampering Connor either.

She couldn't help but wonder what would happen if her child were still alive. She wondered if things would've turned out differently by now.

But in reality, it wouldn't change much. Bringing him into this world would only endanger him.

After all, she couldn't even ensure her safety.

Ethan quickly came in after her. Olivia was changing her clothes, so a large area of her fair skin entered his line of sight.

Olivia cried out, and Ethan quickly turned around.

Soon, he realized something. They had done even the most intimate of acts, but they reacted as if they were strangers.

Even his instincts were telling him that they were getting further away. He didn't even realize 1.

After Olivia had changed her clothes, Ethan came back in.

"Where's the kid? Don't tell me you left a small child alone in the bathroom!" "Don't worry, I let Mina take over. I have something to talk to you about." "Oh." Olivia wore a short-sleeved top, but she didn't feel like it was enough. She took a coat and put it on, covering herself firmly. She feared that even a little bit of her skin would be exposed.

Ethan felt dissatisfied with her actions. But he was running out of time, so he didn't comment much on that. He immediately voiced his reasons for coming back.

"I'll go with Mr. Carlton to meet the Toxic Hive tonight." "I'm not your wife. You don't have to report your whereabouts to me." Olivia spoke indifferently as she sat down. Taking a random book, she looked at it.

"Liv, do you have to be like this?" Chapter 386 2/3 Closing the book, Olivia looked up at him, returning the question. "Then what do you want me to do, Ethan? Care about you? Which identity am I assuming?"

Your ex-wife? Or your enemy?" Ethan clenched his fists. "So we can't return to the past anymore? For real?" "The past? You've never experienced my

suffering, but you mentioned the past so nonchalantly. What past should I be talking about? We were a proper family, but we ended up like this in the end.

“What do you want me to do? What can I even do?” Her eyes were filled with mockery, and Ethan felt his heart breaking when he saw that. Placing his hands on her shoulders, he said earnestly, “Liv, I told you that I’ll give you a proper answer.

“Toxic Hive is a dangerous and complicated organization. You don’t have any evidence, but you insist that a dead person is the murderer. How can I believe you?” Olivia peeled his fingers off of her. “It’s not important whether you believe it or not. What matters is that one day, I’ll shove the evidence in your face and tell you that you were wrong!” Ethan felt fear when he saw her determined gaze. His sixth sense told him that he was right to have hidden the truth. If Olivia learned of it, they would truly never go back to the past again.

“Liv, take good care of Connor tonight. He likes you a lot.” Ethan changed the topic.

Olivia wanted to argue more, but Connor had already put on his clothes. He ran toward the two with some drool on his face.

He kept mumbling, “Mummy, Mummy ...” Olivia couldn’t be mad at Connor even if he were Marina’s son. When she had returned to her senses, the child was already in her arms.

Ethan sighed in relief. “Don’t go anywhere tonight. Wait for my news.” Olivia ignored him. After standing there for a moment, Ethan left.

Olivia heard the sounds of the car engine downstairs getting more distant.

Holding Connor in her arms, Olivia stood at the window and watched the car disappear into the night.

Connor yawned. He was getting sleepy. Olivia put him to bed, then patted his back like she used to when they were on the island.

Connor gripped a button of her pajamas, burying his little face in her chest. He quickly fell asleep.

From time to time, he would smack his chubby pink lips. “Mummy.” Olivia’s heart melted from how cute he was.

It was getting late. Olivia lay on the bed, unable to fall asleep. Her phone screen notified her of a new message.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 387-Olivia didn't sleep a wink at all. She grabbed her phone as soon as her phone screen lit up in the darkness.

It was a text from Avery. "Are you asleep yet?" She got out of bed. Since she didn't want to wake the child, she headed to the washroom to call Avery.

Avery's gentle voice rang into her ear. "Hello. It's late, and you weren't asleep?" "Yeah. Did you find any leads?" "Yes. There are two things I wanna tell you. First, Mr. Carlton and Ms. Rosa are going to meet up soon. Second, I've found something about the person you wanted me to look into." Olivia's eyes lit up. She didn't hold high hopes of finding anything about that person, but Avery was surprisingly reliable.

"Who is that?" she asked.

"The members of Toxic Hive use fake names, so knowing her name is pointless.

Her code name is Begonia. I managed to track her current whereabouts. Would you like to meet up with her before she moves elsewhere?" Avery reported his findings with equanimity, but he managed to make her jump out of excitement. She asked, "Can I?" "I'm not sure what personal grudges are there between both of you, but I think it's best if you meet her in person to recognize her identity. Of course, she's a dangerous individual, considering that she's one of Toxic Hive. You have to do as I say to keep yourself safe." "Okay." "I'll drive to your place to pick you up." Terminating the call, Olivia was immersed in bubbles of joy. It seemed like God didn't abandon her.

She thought she had walked to a dead-end, but another door of possibility was opened for her.

Olivia entrusted Connor to Mina. The latter checked on the time. "Ms. Fordham, it's late. Where are you going?" "I have something urgent to settle." "But Mr. Miller has said that it's best you don't leave the house tonight," the maid tried to Chapter 387 dissuade Olivia.

Olivia gave the maid a simple explanation, and Mina didn't stop her further.

The bodyguards outside wanted to stop her, but Olivia already hopped into Avery's car.

She watched the cars that were hot on their heels. She said solemnly, "Mr.

Avery, could you shake them off?" For some reason, Olivia didn't want Ethan to know that she was investigating the matter.

She simply wished to present him with the truth after getting to the bottom of it.

"Sure. Hold on tight." Avery was not any ordinary person.

His complexion seemed pale, but it didn't mask the formidable aura around him.

He stabled himself in his seat as a murderous glint flashed in his eyes.

Their car picked up its speed. Fortunately, there were barely any cars on the road.

Olivia held onto her seatbelt and the rest arm.

Those cars were speeding along the road like a movie scene. She finally had her first-hand experience of what fast and furious would be like.

When Avery made a drift, she thought her soul would bounce out of her body.

By the time they managed to shake those cars off, she realized that her hands were sweaty.

Avery looked at her gently. "Are you alright?" 2/2 Olivia, who had yet to regain her composure, replied, "I-I'm alright. But my legs feel weak." He let out a soft chuckle.

Looking at her pale expression, he caressed her head gently. "Don't be afraid.

I'm here." Both of them froze immediately.

He withdrew his hand. "Sorry. You're almost my sister's age, so I saw you as my younger sister for a moment back there."

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 388-Olivia knew that Avery was telling the truth. The warmth was evident in his gaze, but it was free from sensual emotions.

She blinked her eyes, wondering if that was how it felt like to have an older brother.

She smiled. "It's alright. I'm not as lucky as you are to have so many siblings.

I'm the only child in my family." It pained Avery to see the loneliness in her eyes.

He took a document out of his bag. "Here's Begonia's information. Take a look at it." She was impressed that he could dig out Begonia's information when she had only brought it up briefly. Not even Ethan could get such information in his hands!

However, the woman on the document was wearing a mask. Olivia couldn't see her face.

Avery explained, "Concealing their identity has always been a rule in Toxic Hive.

Even those people who work together in the same space don't reveal their faces to each other." "I see." Aside from Begonia's face, he had detailed information, such as her position in Toxic Hive.

Instead of claiming that it was Begonia's personal information, the document was more like a resume. Her work experience was written clearly on it.

She was a talented doctor who specialized in psychology and medicine development for mental -related illnesses.

She was involved in several significant events that had happened abroad. The most renowned event was the Wandering Soul Street Incident.

Some tourists turned into wandering souls at a tourist spot. Although they didn't attack anyone, they kept wandering around like a lifeless person with blank expressions.

The incident went viral on global news.

Myths and rumors began circulating about how those tourists lost their souls due to black magic and that someone needed to call their souls back to their bodies.

Specialists from each country showed up in ones and twos, claiming that those tourists were specimens.

They were given shots that disrupted their nerves, hence the phenomenon.

“She joined Toxic Hive 12 years ago, and she’s only 22 this year. Do they accept such young kids Chapter 388 too?” inquired Olivia.

2/2 Avery played with the sapphire ring around his finger. “As I previously said, Peace’s Embrace’s objective is to help out the needy. That includes helping the homeless prodigies. Peace’s Embrace will give them education access, especially about medicine.

“That way, the kids would be able to gain knowledge of an average medical student in their teens. While medical students were taking lectures in lecture halls, those kids put their knowledge to use in Toxic Hive. That’s why they can become top specialists worldwide before reaching the age of 20.” Olivia suddenly thought of Colin, who had proclaimed so many achievements when he was only 20 years old.

“Mr. Avery, you know so much about Toxic Hive. Do you know if Leo is one of them?” “Leo ...” Avery kneded his eyebrows. Judging from his expression, she supposed that he knew the answer to that question and knew Colin as well.

“He is a capable neurologist. He’s talented in surgeries,” Avery answered.

With that, Olivia could conclude that Leo was basically Colin.

“Leo and Begonia are different. He directly joined Toxic Hive, unlike Begonia.

She left Peace’s Embrace with a group of people who decided to split from it. As far as I know, both of them are Ms. Rosa’s right-hand men.” She asked further, “Is Ms. Rosa the founder of Toxic Hive?” “That’s not completely right. She’s one of the managers. It’s the same as the manager of a company’s branch.” “Mr. Avery, how do you know Toxic Hive so well?” It was as though he knew Toxic Hive like the back of his hand.

He placed his finger before his lips. "It's a secret." □

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 389-Olivia felt it would be unbecoming of her to ask further questions, so she stopped.

She and Avery were mere acquaintances. She was already grateful to him for being willing to tell her that much.

Their car stopped in an alley that was free from surveillance cameras. There was a black SUV parked at the same place.

"We gotta change cars." "Okay." Olivia got out of the car only to realize that the SUV had high performance. Even its windows were bulletproof.

They were heading to the suburbs. Noticing that Olivia was slightly nervous, Avery took two bottles of yogurt drinks out from a small refrigerator. "Want some?" She was surprised when she saw him drinking it with a casual expression. It was strawberry flavored.

"T-Thanks." He chuckled. "Frankly speaking, my family loves yogurt drinks, especially strawberry-flavored ones." "It is tasty." Olivia understood that he was trying to make her relax after noticing that she was nervous.

The sourness and sweetness melted in her mouth, relieving her tension.

"Don't be afraid. I won't hurt you," said Avery gently as he looked at her. "Since we have the same last name, I see you as my younger sister." He impressed her as the nuance in her expression didn't go unnoticed to him.

She expected nothing less from someone who possessed exceptional abilities.

He could easily see through her.

Avery reminded Olivia about what to take note of again. He asked her to disguise herself according to his request.

She changed and wore a mask.

Even if someone bumped into them, they wouldn't be exposed because that was how Toxic Hive members usually dressed up.

The number of buildings in the surrounding area decreased, and there were barely any lights.

Chapter 389 She couldn't help the thrill zapping through her veins.

Would she finally be able to find out the truth tonight?

212 Ethan, who was wearing his gear, stood next to Chris. Ethan had put on makeup. Now, he was a mere average-looking security guard.

The meetup location was at a castle. This mansion was built by foreigners during the invasion last century. The property was also owned by a foreigner.

It was left unused for a long time. Roses crawled up the whole wall in the yard.

The mansion seemed like a vampire's place from the Middle Ages under the dim light.

The crows on the wall added a touch of spookiness to the atmosphere.

Chris and Ethan alighted from the car and walked into the castle as requested.

The moment they arrived, the rusty gates were opened automatically.

The whole castle was so quiet that they could only hear the sound of their footsteps.

Ethan didn't say anything as he followed behind Chris.

When they entered the yard, the gates were closed automatically. It was as if they walked into the lion's den themselves.

The castle was massive. Even the main entrance itself was grand.

A lady's voice resounded through the smart doorbell. "Mr. Carlton is required to enter alone." Chris said indifferently, "He's my bodyguard in charge of my safety. I brought only him." "I said, you're required to enter alone. Otherwise, you can leave right now." The men exchanged looks before Chris said, "Fine. I'll enter alone." The door opened, but Ethan didn't enter. He watched Chris enter the castle.

Marina was in one of the rooms in the castle. Although she managed to survive, many parts of her body were broken.

Her legs were crippled, and her chest was injured. Her whole body was in pain, hence her agony 24/7.

The lady shook the phone at Marina. "Your father's here." Hope tinged in Marina's dim eyes. She looked at the lady.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 390-Under Marina's anxious gaze, the lady removed Marina's oxygen mask.

"Just what do you want?" asked Marina weakly. Her question was free from her usual supercilious tone.

"What do I want?" The lady chuckled softly. Her face was no less different from what Marina remembered.

Time, which could be relentless, chose to be kind to this lady whose face was free from wrinkles.

The lady was gentle and warm in the past. She had always looked at Marina with a warm gaze, giving Marina a wholesome childhood.

Hence, Marina treasured this lady the most in her life. This lady was her mother, and no one could replace her.

However, everything changed after the car accident happened.

Looking at that lady's face, Marina knew how cruel this lady was and realized how foolish she had been.

Tears ran down Marina's cheeks. Her voice was hoarse. "Don't you love Dad?

Why did you stage your death and plot all of this?" "Love?" Helen Gibson grinned like a madwoman. Like a loving mother, she caressed Marina's face.

Yet, Marina was shaking.

There was so much that she had faced within a day, and they ultimately toppled her impression of Helen.

Helen wasn't an angel; she was a calculating devil.

“Are you this afraid of me? If my memories serve me right, you clung to me a lot when you were young. You kept wanting to sleep with me every night. Darling, have you forgotten about me, your mother?” The mention of the word “mother” made Marina’s skin crawl. She began crying buckets as those tears soaked the blanket.

She had lost count of how many times she had cried. Her eyes were red.

Her physical pain was pale in comparison to the wounds etched within her heart.

Chapter 390 2/3 “I called you ‘Mom’ for so many years. Even if I’m not your biological daughter, you’ve taken care of me for so long.

“I missed you so much all these years, and I never accepted her. I even caused her miscarriage and made her barren to avenge you. How could you treat me like this? How could you!” Marina couldn’t understand how the once gentle lady turned this way.

Helen smiled. “Silly you. I don’t hold any grudges against you. Your father’s the one who owes me. Do you know how long I’ve been waiting for this day to come?” When she talked about that, her expression was tinged with madness.

It scared Marina so much as she felt that something was wrong with Helen, especially Helen’s face.

Marina found it odd that Helen looked the same as she was when she “passed away” over a decade ago. There were no wrinkles on her face!

“I’m just curious how he would react after learning the truth. Would he regret giving me the bad treatment?” Helen put the oxygen mask back on Marina’s face before wiping off Marina’s tears.

“Don’t worry. Considering that I’ve taken care of you for so long, I’ll spare your life. Now, it’s his turn.” Helen wiped the tears off her finger with a tissue.

She casually threw it away into the trash can as if it was filthy.

Marina watched Helen leave, feeling the urge to stop her.

Marina thought while crying, “Dad, don’t come. What’s waiting ahead of you is only an abyss.” Only then did she regret whatever she had done to Chloe.

Chloe didn't know about Marina's identity, but she treated Marina with all her heart.

She had always been on Marina's side, but Marina didn't appreciate it.

The moment Marina shut her eyes, she could remember how she poured vegetable oil over the stairs that caused Chloe to suffer from a miscarriage due to a fall.

When Chloe was discharged from the hospital, the young Marina looked at her guiltily.

To Marina's surprise, the weak Chloe stroked her head. "It's alright that I've lost my child. I'll treat you better in the future." Chloe was clearly aware that it was Marina's doing, yet she didn't tell anyone about it.

She lost her baby and almost lost her life! But she merely took it as a prank by the young Chapter 390 Marina.

From that day onward, Chloe also treated Marina better.

Chloe assumed that Marina was simply afraid that the baby would shake up her position within the family. That was why Chloe treated Marina with care.

Yet, what did Marina do?

3/3 Marina didn't treat Chloe well, not even a day. Hurtful words were the only thing she hurled at Chloe.

On the other hand, Chloe didn't take it to heart and did everything in her power to give Marina the maternal love she needed.

If Marina could move herself at the moment, she would've slapped herself in the face a few times.

Marina's bone marrow was compatible with Chloe's, but she didn't choose to save Chloe because she wanted to survive.

Under the urge from the devil, Marina even drove Chloe to death.

Whenever she recalled how Chloe bled, the weight of regret suffocated Marina.

“Mom, I’m sorry!” she said aloud in her head.

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Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 391-The castle-like mansion was massive and empty, so empty that one could hear his footsteps echoing against the walls.

It was late at night. There were a few ancient wall lamps lit up, barely lighting up the darkness.

A piano sound broke the silence, filling the mansion. It was the famous song “The Dream Wedding”.

Listening to the song in an eerie castle in the middle of the night was scary. It would’ve been a relaxing song if it was played in any other venues.

Accompanied by the song, Chris ascended the stairs.

He found it odd to meet up with the mysterious leader of Toxic Hive this way.

Ethan, who was forced to stay in the yard, hid under the roof. He knew where the nearby surveillance cameras were.

Hacking a surveillance camera was easy for him. It took him a few minutes to dysfunction them.

The only scene that was shown on the surveillance footage should be the original scene.

Ethan, who had observed the castle’s structure, sneaked into the first floor through a pipeline.

Like a nimble black panther, he moved his way through the darkness with ease.

He heard the piano sound coming from the roof. The only daring person to play piano at this moment was Ms. Rosa, who had never revealed her face before.

Most of Toxic Hive’s laboratories were built underground, so Ethan sneaked into the underground.

As he had expected, the underground of the mansion was spacious. The width was at least one thousand square meters, and it consisted of several floors.

Hearing footsteps, he hurriedly hid in the corner near the stairs.

Thanks to the dim light, he could see a man and a woman leaving with hurried steps.

He heard the woman saying, "Why is Mr. Y here at this hour? Madam told us not to disturb her. Begonia and Leo are testing the medicines. I'm afraid he wouldn't be satisfied with only us serving him." "There's nothing else we can do. Just bite the bullet and escort him to the backyard so we won't get in Madam's way." Chapter 391 2/2 She sighed and grumbled while picking up her pace.

Ethan frowned while wondering who Mr. Y was.

He thought, "Fortunately, Leo is here. And Begonia? Could it be her?" His heart raced. Could Begonia be the person whom he had been looking for over ten years? Whose death was the reason for his dreading sorrow?

He swung between happiness and sadness when he found out that Leia wasn't dead.

The further Ethan walked down the stairs, the lower the temperature dipped and the darker it became.

He supposed that this place was just a temporary hideout because they didn't install an alarm system. That was why he could sneak into the place successfully.

There were several rooms on every floor. The upper floors were accommodation, while the lower floors were laboratories.

When Ethan walked to the end of the hallway, there were two rooms.

He knew that it was highly possible that the person he was looking for was in there.

He wasn't planning to alarm Leo and Begonia. Both of them were highly vigilant.

He waited in the darkness for a while when one of the doors opened.

A fox-masked woman appeared.

Her physique was similar to the woman he saw that day. It should be her!

She ascended the stairs hurriedly.

Considering that Chris was still upstairs, Ethan didn't dare to take action.

Otherwise, both of them might not be able to get out of here alive.

Secretly, Ethan entered the laboratory.

He could tell that they'd recently moved in at a last-minute notice. The simple laboratory wasn't completely equipped.

There were some bottles, jars, and reports placed on the table. Elated with his findings, he quickly made a copy of the reports.

While he was copying them, he noticed a bottle of medicine.

It was labeled as "M-1".

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 392-Olivia was following Avery side by side. They were wearing the same mask.

He had changed his sapphire ring into a green chrysoberyl ring.

As she entered the castle, she could hear the piano playing from the rooftop.

Two crows happened to fly over them.

The dim lights made the Rosa flowers appear somehow eerie. It was almost summer, but Olivia's skin crawled when the wind blew.

Avery lowered his voice. "Don't be afraid. Just follow me closely. You don't have to do or say anything later on." She hummed softly in response. After all, she was just here to confirm Leia's identity.

The piano sounds suddenly stopped, and pin-drop silence filled the area.

A man and a woman were running toward them.

When they drew closer, Olivia noticed that they were wearing masks.

Regardless, she managed to recognize them. It was Ryan and Jennifer.

At this moment, Olivia was glad that she was wearing a mask, as it hid her vehement emotions.

The fact that these two were here proved that she was getting closer to the truth about Leia.

Panting, Ryan and Jennifer reached about three meters away from Avery and greeted him, "Mr.

Y." Olivia stared at Avery's straight back as the light stretched his shadow on the ground.

He rested his hands behind him.

No one could see his expression, but the cold air around him could easily scare others.

It seemed like everyone had their own identities in this world.

Avery watched the two people, making them slightly uncomfortable.

Even though they were wearing masks, Olivia could tell that Ryan and Jennifer were extremely anxious. Hence, she assumed that Avery was an incredible individual.

Ryan explained, "Madam is currently handling an urgent matter, so she can't welcome you personally. We hope you can forgive us. Please come this way." Avery didn't Chapter 392 under the pressure.

Olivia discreetly stared at his back, thinking that this was how a big boss should act.

Olivia and Avery were led to a room. He took a seat while she remained standing, trying her best not to draw attention to herself.

2/2 Ryan wasn't as haughty as he had been when he had kidnapped Olivia. His back was slightly hunched, as though he were at Avery's beck and call.

An indifferent Jennifer served brewed tea before joining Ryan, acting like a careful child who had done something wrong.

Avery played with his green chrysoberyl ring while saying indifferently, “I remember that you have a genius neurologist named Begonia. I would like to see her.

Even though he was quiet, his voice was stern.

Ryan and Jennifer exchanged looks. Ryan asked gingerly, “Dr. Begonia is on an important experiment. May I know why you would like to meet her?” Olivia had been wondering how Avery would get her to meet Begonia. But she had never expected him to be this straightforward.

He was like a homeroom teacher, calling out the delinquent students.

Ryan and Jennifer were prominent figures that everyone in the entire world was afraid of.

Yet, they didn’t have the guts to act haughtily in front of him. They seemed like they didn’t even dare breathe too loudly.

Avery answered softly, “You don’t have the right to know that. You have three minutes. I want to see her.” “Yes, sir. I’ll bring her to you at this instant. Please give us a moment.” Seeing how Ryan left with anxious steps, Olivia clenched her fists.

She wondered, “What kind of person is Avery? Why are they so afraid of him?” Still, the thrill overpowered her curiosity.

Leia was here, and Olivia was going to meet her at long last!

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 393-Soon, the door swung open. Olivia tightly grasped the hem of her sleeves.

There was a switch between Olivia and Leia’s positions.

Olivia had found out that Leia was the mastermind, but Leia was clueless about Olivia’s presence.

Now that they were going to meet up in person, Olivia couldn’t help but feel nervous.

A woman in a white dress entered the room. She was tall and skinny.

She was wearing a mask, but her exposed skin was as fair as snow.

The sheer look of her figure alone was enough for others to guess how gorgeous the face under that mask was.

Judging from how she was walking like a normal person, it seemed like she had been pretending to be a janitor who had a problem with her legs.

She had even darkened her face to avoid grabbing unwanted attention.

The breeze fluttered the hem of her dress, giving off the impression that she was a gentle and kind woman.

Begonia stopped three meters away from Avery. Her voice was hoarse when she said, "Mr. Y, I heard that you were looking for me.

It must be her original voice, which was different from before. It wasn't that mellifluous. It sounded as though her vocal cords had been injured before.

Avery crossed his legs while turning his green chrysoberyl ring, exuding a cold, dominant air.

His gaze swept across Ryan and Jennifer. "Get out." They were obviously slightly concerned about it, but they didn't dare to cross the line in front of Avery. Left with no choice, they walked out of the room.

Now that there were only three of them in the room, Olivia tried her best to suppress her emotions.

She remembered what Avery had said. Today, she was here only to confirm Leia's identity.

Knowing how vigilant Leia was, Olivia intentionally hushed her breath.

Leia, who was standing straight, didn't show any signs of fear despite being the only Toxic Hive member in the room.

Chapter 393 Avery rose from his seat and approached her.

He stood before her and rested his hands behind him, staring at Leia coldly.

“How have you been all these years?” She hung her head low, so no one could read her expression. “Thanks to you, Madam has been treating me well. I will never forget what you did to save me.” Olivia’s eyes widened as she realized that they knew each other.

Furthermore, Leia was treating Avery with respect.

“I remember that you left when you were 11 years old,” he recounted.

“Yes.” He held up one of his hands before his chest. “You were this tall back then.” Leia curled her fingers to ball a fist. She uttered through her gritted teeth, “Yes.” “You’ve grown a lot taller, but you’re as skinny as you were before.” He reached out for her mask, intending to take it off.

Leia reflexively moved to hold her mask, but in the end, she didn’t stop him.

Olivia was well aware that Toxic Hive members wouldn’t remove their masks unless the other party was a close acquaintance.

That was a mere knee-jerk reaction against Avery’s action. When Leia got herself together, she didn’t stop him.

Avery pulled the mask to the back of her head. Leia could just about smell his faint body scent.

Her heart was racing.

Meanwhile, Olivia found it strange how such a daring woman could be this meek.

When Leia’s mask was slowly taken off, her hair covered half of her face.

A nervous Olivia gulped.

Avery raised Leia’s chin, saying, “Long time, no see, little kid.” Olivia was stunned the moment she saw Leia’s face.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 394-The dim light in the room shone upon Leia’s face. Before this, Olivia had pictured Leia’s face multiple times in her head.

Judging from what Leia had done in the past, Olivia expected her to look evil and distorted.

In reality, however, Leia had perfectly inherited the good looks from the Millers.

She resembled her mother.

Her face shape looked barely the same as Ethan's, but they looked like twins.

Her features were sharp, and her long hair made her look cheerful.

If Olivia hadn't known what Leia had done, she would have mistaken her for an innocent college student.

The truth had finally come to light. Olivia had guessed it right.

Leia was the mastermind!

Her family, Jeff, and everything that she had suffered throughout the past two years crossed Olivia's mind.

The sheer thought of those made Olivia want to carve Leia's heart out and devour every part of her body.

Olivia had never done Leia any harm. Why would Leia do that to her?

As of today, the bedridden Jeff had yet to regain his consciousness. Olivia's chest was rising due to anger.

"You're all grown up." Avery's voice comforted her emotions.

Leia slightly blushed. Her lips parted as though she wanted to explain something.

But she swallowed the words at the tip of her tongue and retreated to the side.

"Why did you want to see me, sir?" "Nothing in particular. I happened to be in Aldenvine, and I heard that you guys are here too. So I wanted to check on you." She pursed her lips. "Thank you for your concern. I'm doing fine. I hope you don't blame me for leaving back then." "That's your choice. I will never blame you. Aside from checking on you, I would like to have a consultation about medicine." Her eyes brightened at the mention of medicine. She hurriedly prompted, "Go ahead." Chapter 394 Olivia observed Leia. It was obvious that the latter was treating Avery differently.

She wondered if Avery was someone very important to Leia.

2/2 The rooftop was covered with Rosa flowers that blossomed into vibrant colors.

Chris saw the woman sitting before the piano, playing the same song.

She was wearing a black dress that was embroidered with Rosa flowers, complementing her fair skin.

Her finger played the last key with a touch of grace.

The piano sound came to a sudden stop, letting the surroundings fall into dead silence once more.

The woman didn't turn around. Chris took the initiative to break the silence.

"Madam, I'm here as you've requested." "How was it?" she asked out of the blue.

He had so many questions about Chloe and Marina before coming here. But he was taken aback by her question.

"What?" he asked, baffled.

"The piano piece." Chris had been feeling like there was a heavy weight on his chest this whole time. He wasn't in a state of mind to care about what piano piece she was playing.

"Could you play it again?" he asked seriously.

She chuckled softly. "You haven't changed. As always, you don't know how to cheer women up.

If Other people would have complimented the performance regardless of whether they had heard it or not.

He stared at the back of her head, wondering why her voice sounded the same as the woman in his memories.

That was impossible. She had been dead for so many years. He had personally buried her body that year.

He shook his head, shaking that idea off.

She said, "Come, let's play it together."

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 395-Chris walked up to the woman anxiously. "Is my daughter with you?" She raised her head to look at him. The evil ghost mask covered her face.

"I'll answer that after you play the piano with me." Her voice sounded calm.

He tried his best to suppress his anger. Knowing full well that members of Toxic Hive were ruthless, he couldn't take the risk of provoking her.

The woman nudged to the side, and he seated himself next to her.

He knew how to play the piano, but at his level, he could barely play the piece by reading the music sheet.

When they finally finished playing the piece, Chris asked, "Did you kidnap my daughter?" She chuckled. "You sought me because of your wife, who's suffering from leukemia. She's in the ICU, isn't she?" "Can you save her?" "Of course I can. Otherwise, why would you be here meeting me?" she answered naturally.

Chris didn't show any trace of joy, despite her affirmative answer. Alert, he asked, "What's your condition?" She let out a soft giggle before approaching him. "I do have a condition." He could smell her perfume due to their close proximity. It had a strong rose scent.

A strand of her hair brushed across his face along the breeze, lingering with a faint flowery scent. He took a step back in reflex.

The woman grabbed his hand. Her body temperature was lower than average.

"What is it?" he questioned.

"Sleep with me," she said slowly.

His eyes slowly widened. Never in his wildest dream had he expected her to bring up condition.

"W-What did you say?" He thought that he was hearing things.

such a Her hand slowly traced to his chest, caressing his throat intimately. “I said, spend the night with me, and I will save your wife. How’s that?” Chapter 395 Frowning, he pushed her onto the piano without hesitation.

The piano let out a dull sound.

He stepped away from her. “Madam, please don’t cross the line.” Instead of getting angry at his fierce reaction, she was grinning from ear to ear.

“You’re as cold as usual.” The longer he looked at her, the stranger he found her to be. She kept reminding him about the woman in his memories.

Despite knowing that it was impossible, he asked, “Who are you?” She twirled her hair. “Give it a guess.” “Do we know each other?” Chris looked at her hand. Her skin was that of a young lady.

Even if that person was still alive, she would be a middle-aged woman in her late 40s.

There was no way she could have such smooth skin, no matter how good her skincare routine was.

Thus, he instantly eliminated that possibility.

She didn’t answer that question. “Are you going to do it or not? If you’re not, this marks the end of our negotiation. You may leave now.” Chris was rendered speechless. He thought, “Is Ms. Rosa out of her mind? How could she have such a strange condition?” She crossed her arms, watching him casually.

“Let me do the math for a moment. Your wife has only 60 hours left. If you return home right now, you’ll be able to make the necessary arrangements for a funeral in time.” Furious, Chris grabbed her by the collar. “Are you behind what’s happening to my daughter and wife?” “Do you want to kill me?” She smiled faintly.

“If so, I will make sure that Marina won’t be able to see tomorrow’s sunrise.” “Just what are you trying to do?” “What am I trying to do? Hmm...” She grabbed a black cloth. “Cover your eyes and come with me.” Noticing his hesitation, she added, “Do as I say, or your wife and daughter will die. Make your

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 396-Leia thought that Avery was here to question her departure, but he wasn't. It didn't take long before he let her go.

Avery and Olivia didn't leave the place because they knew that Marina was in the castle. They settled down in a room Ryan had arranged for them.

After making sure that there were no hearing devices in the room, he asked, "What is it that you want to ask?" "Have you known her for a long time?" "Yeah. I saved her. But I kind of pitied her when I first met her. Most of her body was burned. Even half of her face was burned. That was why I wasn't that certain that she was the person you were looking for." She was baffled. "No wonder her voice sounded kind of weird." "Aside from the burns, she had a lot of wounds on her. When I met her, she was barely alive.

"She was just skin and bones. Not a single part of her skin was free from burns.

She only woke up after resting for half a year, and even then, she barely looked like a person." He shook his head. "Not long after that, she left Peace's Embrace with the mutineers. I hadn't met her since then. Now that I think about it, I hadn't met her that much at all." Olivia said carefully, "So, you're..." He said, "You might have guessed it, so I might as well be honest with you. I'm one of the founders of Peace's Embrace. As I've told you, my initial intention was to help more people.

"But I didn't expect things to turn out this way in the end. Although Toxic Hive was founded a long time ago, they didn't dare to do things their way so obtrusively back then. They would still show me some respect." Only now did Olivia understand the whole story. She hadn't expected the person she had saved by chance to be a powerful individual.

"Thank you, Mr. Avery. It's getting late. You should get some rest. I'll get out of your hair," she said.

"Are you staying to look for Marina?" "Yeah. I want to know why Toxic Hive is harming her. I think she holds some secrets that I don't know." Avery sighed. "I might as well help you to the end." Chapter 396 2/3 They secretly left the room. It wasn't difficult to find Marina.

The researchers were underground, so the huge castle was almost empty.

The doctor on the shift looking after Marina was dozing off, so Olivia snuck into the room.

The lights weren't turned on. There were only dim lights from the various medical appliances.

She could scarcely see someone lying in bed.

She wondered if that was Marina.

Holding her breath, Olivia approached the bed. The person in bed wasn't sleeping.

Alarmed, the person looked at Olivia when she heard the noise.

Olivia turned on the torch on her phone and saw Marina.

Every part of Marina's body was attached to pipes. She was wearing an oxygen mask. She looked so frail, as if she were basically hanging onto the last breath of her life.

Marina's expression morphed into one of horror upon noticing a masked person standing by the bed.

Olivia lowered her voice. "It's me." Marina looked at Olivia in disbelief. Olivia took the chance to remove the oxygen mask.

To her surprise, the first thing Marina said was, "Are you here to make fun of me?" "No," Olivia denied.

She couldn't understand how Marina could jump to that conclusion. Would she take the risk of coming this far just to make fun of Marina?

"Stop pretending. I bet you're happy to see me end up like this." Marina cried.

"This is my karma for ruining your family. That must be what you're thinking. I'm telling you, even if I turn out like this, he will still marry me.

Olivia was astonished at how Marina was still thinking of threatening her at this point.

"Believe it or not, I'm not here to make fun of you. I had also been set up by Toxic Hive, just like you," Olivia explained.

“Toxic Hive?” “It’s the same people who kidnapped us that day. Do you think that you’re the drove Ethan and me to divorce?”

person who “No. There was someone else involved in it besides the three of us. They ruined my family, and Chapter 396 now they’re trying to harm you and Mom.” Olivia continued with gritted teeth, “I resent you, but we share the same enemy this time.

“I hope you can tell me what happened that day. Why did Mom’s illness suddenly become worse? And why were you involved in a car crash?” Even though Marina loathed Olivia to the bone, she was left with no other option.

Crying, she said, “I’ll tell you. I’ll tell you everything.” □

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 397-Marina was reluctant to tell Olivia everything, but she had no better option.

Hence, she revealed everything to Olivia.

Olivia’s expression changed after listening to her. “You knew that your bone marrow was a match, but you didn’t say anything? And you’re planning to watch Mom’s condition get worse until her time is up?”

“Even if you didn’t know about her identity, didn’t you think that it was cruel to do that? You robbed me of my mother’s love for so many years. What else were you unhappy about?” The more she thought about it, the more furious she became.

She couldn’t understand how a person could be this cruel.

She continued, “Even an adopted dog and its owner would have bonded after spending time together for so many years!” Marina was crying so much that she could barely speak properly.

“I know that everything’s my fault. But now’s not the time to talk about this. If you really want to save me, just get me out of here. I have to donate my bone marrow to Mom before it’s too late.” Olivia held back the urge to slap Marina.

Taking a few deep breaths, Olivia attempted to keep her cool.

“Don’t worry, I’ll get you out of here. It’s not because of you, but to save my mother. But now’s not the time for that. I actually snuck into this place.” Marina

said, "Save my father. My mother-no, that woman-is crazy! She's been plotting this for a lot of years, just to make him regret it!

"Dad was suffering from amnesia when he married her. After he recovered his memories, my mother was the only person he truly loved.

"That's why that woman bore resentment. She stole me away from them and raised me, filling my head with things since I was young.

"That was why I couldn't get over it after she faked her death and put all the blame on Mom. I saw Mom as an enemy and even made her barren.

"It was all that woman's fault! She manipulated me and tried to make me hurt Mom. Mom's suffering from leukemia because of that woman, too.

Chapter 397 2/2 "Now, she's only one step away from achieving her objective!

"She's trying to make Dad regret letting her down. She spent so many years waiting for this. She wants to see Dad succumb to despair today. You must stop her. She will never let him off the hook." Marina tried to hold Olivia's hand. "I know that it's almost impossible for me to survive this. But please, Olivia, I'm begging you." There was always something resentful about a pitiful person.

Olivia had resented Marina the most in the past, but she couldn't do anything about it right now.

Not only Chloe, but Connor's life also depended on Marina.

If Marina died, Connor would lose his mother.

Olivia said, "I'll think of a way to save you. But you have to promise me that you'll live no matter what happens!" Marina blinked. Even if she wanted to nod, she couldn't do it. All she could do to express her feelings was to plead with her eyes.

Marina said, "I know. I will stay alive to save Mom. You have to get me out of here as soon as possible.

"That woman is feeding me drugs that can worsen my condition. Mom doesn't have much time left. If you help me out, I'll tell you a secret in exchange." Olivia glared at her, not expecting Marina to be this cruel. "Got it. I shouldn't

be staying here for too long. I have to go.” She roughly checked on Marina’s condition and left.

In truth, she could hardly calm herself. She never imagined the truth to be this cruel.

If Marina was Chloe’s biological daughter, who were Olivia’s parents?

What exactly happened that year? Were her parents aware of her existence?

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 398-Olivia left the room, her head filled with questions. Right then, Avery covered her mouth and dragged her to the side.

He smelled of scented candles, so she wasn’t that surprised when he suddenly dragged her away.

She was curious about what he was going to do.

He gave her a look, hinting at her to look downward.

They were standing by the balcony on the second floor. There were two people standing on the lawn downstairs.

Although one of them was facing his back to Olivia, she recognized him easily.

It was none other than Ethan.

He was grabbing the wrist of a skinny woman in a white dress.

It was Leia, whom Olivia and Avery met not long ago.

Ethan’s objective was to root Toxic Hive out. Thus, there was a chance that he had long known that that woman was Leia.

The realization made Olivia break into a cold sweat.

She shook her head immediately. Ethan loved her. He would never lie about that.

Thus, she believed that this was a coincidence. It was possible that he had found out the truth recently.

However, reality soon proved her wrong.

“Let go of me!” Leia demanded coldly.

“Leia, I know that it’s you,” Ethan said with much difficulty.

“You don’t have to deny that. If you didn’t care about me, you wouldn’t have risked your life to stop Leo from killing me. I’ve asked someone to perform a DNA test on Jodie.” Leia faced her back at him. Her expression remained hidden under the mask.

“What’s the point of doing that? Just pretend that your younger sister was long gone a long time ago.” Saying that was no different from admitting that she was Leia.

Chapter 396 2/3 By now, Olivia’s back was covered with a cold sweat.

Ethan had long known the truth. In fact, it seemed like he had known about it even before she had found out.

So the person who had dug up Jodie’s grave was none other than him!

Yet, he had been deceiving Olivia. Not only that, but he had also tried to talk her out of pursuing the truth.

And it was because he couldn’t accept the truth himself.

It was no wonder that he made soup for her, that he claimed that they could have babies in the future, and that he had been accommodating her recently.

There had been so many hints all the while.

Ethan had realized that he had wrongfully blamed Olivia and the Fordhams all this time. He was pleasing her out of guilt.

He had even chosen to deceive Olivia to protect his sister.

Olivia hadn’t been this crestfallen since the day he had brought up divorce and the day she had lost her baby.

It had been winter back then. The cold breeze had shrouded her, biting her skin.

She remembered feeling cold all over. The cold had even seeped into her heart.

It had hurt so much that she had barely been able to breathe.

Now, she was going through the same pain. It was all because of the same person, too.

Tears ran down her cheeks.

Previously, Ethan had crushed Olivia's heart to pieces. Now, he had stabbed her right from the back.

He had completely lost her trust.

She reined her emotions in, trying not to let out any noise.

She reckoned that Ethan was happy right now. No one knew how much he loved Leia better than her.

"Leia, tell me, what made you turn out this way? If you weren't dead, why didn't you return home earlier? Do you know how many places I've searched for you?" Ethan turned her around. "Tell me, where have you been and what have you been up to these years?" Chapter 398 3/3 Even though he had finally found Leia, what he wished to know wasn't the reason why she had treated him this way.

Olivia could make up excuses for Marina's matter, but she could never clear Leia's name for all the things she had done.

In the past, Olivia had thought that Ethan genuinely loved her with all his heart.

But it now seemed like a joke to her.

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 399-Olivia turned and left. She didn't listen to the conversation any further.

She would be insulting herself if she stayed and listened to them.

She had loved Ethan for many years, and it had turned into a mere joke.

Even though Leia had ruined Olivia and her family, Ethan still called Leia's name so gently.

Olivia recalled that night they had almost injected poison into her body. She could have died back then!

Now, even the sound of Ethan breathing was repulsive to her.

He kept saying how much he loved her and promised to give her an answer to everything.

In fact, he had been eliminating evidence to prevent her from finding out the truth.

She wondered if this was his way of loving her.

Olivia left the balcony with a piece of rock. The idea of smashing Ethan's head with it crossed her mind for a brief moment.

She took a deep breath and didn't look back.

"Your younger sister was long gone. I'm just a living zombie." Leia's voice was hoarse. She no longer pretended to be someone else.

Ethan noticed how monotone her voice was. He could still remember how adorable the Leia had been.

young She was still young right now, but why was she carrying such a sad bearing like an old person?

"I know that it's you, Leia. Tell me, why didn't you return home? You knew that Liv was your sister-in-law. So why did you do those things?" She broke free from his grasp.

"Yeah, I was the one who did all of those things. If you want to avenge her, you can kill me. I have no will to live anyway," she said firmly.

She seemed unafraid of the consequences of her past deeds.

Ethan was baffled. "You didn't even know Liv. Why did you ruin her family?" He had been picturing their reunion for the past few days. But none of his imaginary scenarios came close to reality.

Chapter 399 Leia wasn't even explaining her stance. Her sole wish was to die.

"So what if I ruined them? What's done can't be undone. Either you kill me or let me go and pretend that you don't have a younger sister to begin with." She was going to leave, but he yanked her back and slapped her in the face.

Her mask fell to the ground from the force of the hard slap.

He hadn't held back at all, so the edge of the mask accidentally cut her face.

Ethan looked at the unfamiliar face. Her smooth skin was free from wrinkles, but something seemed odd.

It was as if she hadn't been born with that appearance.

If one took a closer look at her face, they would be able to tell that she had received plastic surgery.

Ethan asked, "How could you be like this? Leia, do you know how long I've been searching for you after you were kidnapped?"

"And how sad Mom was? She missed you so much that she suffered from depression. She's been receiving treatment abroad for many years, but she showed no sign of recovery.

"Since you were still alive, why didn't you return home? Grandma's greatest regret was not being able to see you before she passed away." The yellow light reflected the tears in Leia's eyes. She covered her face with one hand as she began crying.

"There's no more turning back. Can't you pretend that you never saw me?"  
"Not a chance. I've finally found you after jumping through so many hoops.

You're coming home with me." She took an alarm device out. "You better leave if you don't want to die here. As I said, there's no more turning back."

Olivia Fordham And Ethan Miller Chapter 400-Chris was still in the castle. Ethan didn't want to cause him trouble at such a critical moment.

So he didn't provoke Leia.

Now that he had met her, the mixed feelings that were churning in his stomach eventually morphed into disappointment.

He couldn't understand how the adorable girl from his childhood had turned into this kind of person.

"Did you get plastic surgery?" Ethan questioned.

Compared to Leia, Jodie the Millers more.

He had too many questions he needed answers for.

"Yes," she coolly admitted. As long as he was the one asking, she wouldn't hide the answers from him.

"Why?" She avoided his gaze. "I have nothing to tell you. You shouldn't be here for too long. Leave. Pretend that you never met me." He blocked her way. "It's fine if you don't want to come home and don't want me as your brother. But you should at least tell me why you hurt Liv.

"Why did you hurt innocent people? When you were young, you couldn't even eat for days after your kitten died. How could you become like this?" He could still remember how upset Leia had been at that time. That was why he had stopped Olivia from bringing Snowball with her.

Snowball reminded him of that sad incident.

Leia smiled faintly. "Are you sure that I was sad because the kitten died?" She raised her chin and smiled. "I fed it sleeping pills because it kept meowing at night. It was so annoying. It was a pity that it died so soon. I had only fed it sleeping pills for three days." He had never seen her smile so coldly before.

Now, she seemed like a total stranger to Ethan.

That was why he hadn't been able to recognize her, even though she had been so close to him all these years.

"Why did you kill it? You could've given it to someone else if you didn't like it."

"Who was going to keep me company then? You were busy, and Mom sometimes acted out of character due to mental illness.

"Don't bring up Dad. He rarely came home. That kitten was the only toy I had to kill time." Chapter 400 2/2 She referred to the kitten as a "toy" instead of a "playmate".

“Ethan, have you always thought of me as a lovely sister? But I’m not. Haven’t you always wanted to know what kind of person I am? I’ll tell you now.” She smiled coldly and continued, “Our family is the top elite family, but it’s uncommon to have a mentally ill mother. And why didn’t Dad ever show up?”

“Grandpa was preoccupied with maintaining our family’s position, while Grandma was his best helper. This family has always been cold.

“You were the only person who treated me well. But you had so many lessons every day. You couldn’t look after me.

“I knew that I was different from my peers since I was young. They were like kittens and puppies. Delicious food and toys were enough to make their day. But what did I experience?”

“I witnessed my mother attempting suicide when I was three years old. And it wasn’t just once.” At this point, tears were glistening in Leia’s eyes.

She slightly raised her head to stop the tears from falling down her cheeks.

“Ethan, back then, Mom was covered in blood when she hugged and strangled me. She also told me that I wasn’t supposed to be born. Do you know what that felt like?”

“Everyone keeps saying that mothers love their daughters. But why did she want me dead?”

“While you were away, she tortured me a lot of times. She loved torturing me until my last breath whenever we were alone.

“That was how she could get a good night’s sleep. The next day, she would wake up and hug me tightly, apologizing and promising not to do it again.

“Domestic abuse and cheating are similar. There’s no stopping it once you start.

She would torture me whenever she acted out of character. And I was used to letting the steam off by torturing the kitten.

“Why didn’t you tell me?” Ethan couldn’t help but feel guilty.

Their mother had suffered from mental illness for a long time. But he had never known that Leia had been inhumanely tortured when she was a child.

Leia answered, "Would that stop the torture? I could only end it by leaving the family," He looked at her in disbelief. "You mean you left of your own accord that year?"