

Chapter 24 Biggest Humiliation

Lorraine couldn't help chuckling as she looked at the ignorant Keely in front of her.

"Foam concrete is not entirely made of foam. It's a cement-based slurry that comprises cement, coal ash, stone powder, and little foam that have been frothed together with the help of advanced mechanical technology. A pumping system is used to carry out construction. The foam material has many advantages. It's durable, has very high water and heat resistance, and can even absorb shock. Research has proven that it is more solid than reinforced concrete. All this makes it perfect for the amusement park project."

After Lorraine's explanation, all the guests, including those that were in the construction industry realized that Keely was being ridiculous.

"It's so funny that a so-called graduate of architectural design doesn't even know the basics of the profession. How dare she claim to be a professional?"

"Yeah, she's too ignorant and arrogant."

"Keely mocked Loraine because she couldn't afford to go to college. But it turns out that Loraine is smarter than her. She's so shameless!"

Keely's face instantly turned red when she heard the ridicule from all angles.

Loraine wasn't done with her yet. "Keely, you claim to be a graduate, but it appears you wasted the funds of whosoever sent you to college. You must have been a poor student since you don't even know the basics. Tsk!"

Cayson echoed, "It appears that real ability is better than fake education. Isn't that right?"

Everyone burst into laughter as they stared at the horrified Keely.

They were all on Loraine's side now that they saw who the smarter one between the two was.

Tears welled up in Keely's red eyes at this moment. She was speechless.

She had never been embarrassed like this before. If she wasn't trying to act like a prim and proper lady in front of Marco, she would have pounced on Loraine.

Loraine wasn't particularly pleased to see Keely humiliated. She used to relish defeating her in the past. But now, she was extremely bored.

These two were nothing in her eyes. She didn't want to have anything to do with them. Loraine turned around and left with her head up high.

Cayson went with her.

Marco's heart sank to his stomach as he watched them leave, hand in hand. His face didn't hide his sadness.

However, the troublemaker he brought as his date tonight didn't take the cue.

"Marco, why didn't you defend me just now? You of all people know that I have been receiving treatment abroad since I graduated.

The meds affected my general well-being, so I forgot some things. These people don't know what I have been through, but they are laughing at me."

Keely acted pitifully, as if she wasn't the one who started trouble.

Marco was fed up with her. He broke away from her grip and uttered coldly, "Keely, do you think I'm dumb? You asked for trouble! Loraine only gave you a taste of your own medicine, so don't try to play the victim. If you don't stop now, I will treat you as a stranger even though you were Jorge's fiancee."

Keely's heart skipped a beat.

"I'm sorry, Marco. I was only thinking of those innocent lives that could be lost if Loraine used substandard materials. It's my duty as a member of society to ask such important questions. Anyway, I'll be more careful in the future."

The frown on Marco's face was unmoved despite her apology.

"I'm not the one you should be apologizing to."

Go apologize to Loraine."

The sad expression on Keely's face froze. Her fingernails dug into her palms as she clenched her fists.

Although she badly wanted to tear Loraine into pieces now, she didn't want to annoy Marco any further. "Okay, I'll apologize to Loraine right away. Don't be angry with me, okay?"

"I hope you can keep your word."

Marco gave her a cold glance before leaving. In this way, Keely was left to bear the intense glares from the crowd alone.

A malicious idea began to brew in her mind shortly after.

Loraine! That bitch was the reason why she got the biggest humiliation of her life tonight. She would not allow that shrew to take her man away. Never again! 9

Chapter 25 Another Stunt

As the new director and the one who bagged the deals, Loraine had to give a speech at the banquet.

Loraine had excused herself to fix her makeup a little. Just as she came out of the ladies' room, Keely accosted her at the corner of the stairs.

Stroking her hair, Loraine asked impatiently, "Why are you in my way, Keely? What do you want from me this time?"

Keely folded her arms and looked at Loraine, her eyes blazing with resentment.

"You are so arrogant because Marco is protecting you, right?"

Loraine sneered. "Marco is protecting me? Keely, are you blind? Or could it be that I'm blind? Why can't I see what you are insinuating?"

"Bah! Don't play dumb, Loraine!" Keely had

a ferocious look on her face. "You must have known that Marco was coming to this party, so you purposely made sure he saw you. You did that to embarrass me, didn't you?"

Lorraine threw her head back and laughed.

This woman in front of her was so delusional and paranoid.

"Lorraine, let me warn you for the last time. Stay away from Marco! He's mine now. You can't take him away no matter how hard you try. Don't forget that you are just a poor orphan from the gutters. You don't even deserve to be Marco's maid. Stick to whoring around. There's no way in hell that Marco would want to get back with a slut like you!"

Keely's voice cracked as rage burned a red rash across her face. It was obvious that she was holding back from pouncing on Lorraine.

"Stay away from me, you sicko!" Lorraine's patience ran out. "I don't give a damn about you and your so-called man. If you hadn't appeared in front of me, I wouldn't have said a word to you. You are delusional, Keely. Seek

help!"

Keely snorted. "Do you take me for a fool, Loraine? I know you want Marco. Get your eyes off my man. I'm the only woman who deserves him!"

"Keely, don't you understand all that I have been saying?" Loraine let out an evil laugh. "Well, I get it now. It seems desperation has beclouded your sense of reasoning. You are still stuck in the position of mistress even though I have divorced that scum. Oh, what a pity!"

This comment made Keely remember how she was called a mistress and home-wrecker some weeks back. Her old fury mixed with the new one. The simmering resentment blew up.

"Loraine, you bitch! It's all because of you! My life will be just perfect if you disappear from this world!"

Keely pounced on Loraine as soon as she finished speaking.

Loraine dodged the attack quickly.

Things took an unexpected turn afterward. When Keely withdrew her hands, she staggered and fell backward.

Everything happened with the speed of light. Loraine could only watch Keely fall down the stairs and landed on the floor heavily.

There was an uproar in the hall as soon as the guests heard that loud thud.

"Ah! Someone fell down the stairs!"

"It's Keely Haywood!"

Amidst the concerned screams, Marco rushed forward and held Keely in his arms.

"Marco, it hurts..."

Keely lay in his arms weakly. There were tears in her red eyes.

"What happened?" Marco asked, hugging her tightly.

Keely looked up the stairs. The next second, she lowered her eyes and replied timidly, "I tried to apologize to Loraine, but it seems she doesn't want to forgive me. Anyway, it's all my fault. I understand that she's still mad at

me. Please don't blame her. I'm fine."

It appeared like Keely was preventing Loraine from being blamed, but every word and action of hers implied that it was Loraine who pushed her down the stairs.

Marco's face darkened and he looked up at the stairs.

Loraine was standing up there with a cold look on her face. She didn't seem concerned at all.

Despite being hurt by her indifference, Marco asked, "Loraine, did you push Keely down?"

He just wanted to hear her side of the story.

But in Loraine's ears, it sounded like he was accusing her.

The current happening brought back the memory of that unfortunate day.

It was the day Keely stabbed herself to frame Loraine. Marco didn't listen to her side of the story at that time. He also acquiesced when Marina wanted to take out her kidney for Keely. 6

How desperate she was at that time!

She had given up everything for him, but he made her life miserable.

Anyway, that miserable Loraine was dead now.

This new one wasn't a pushover!

Despite the curious gazes from the guests, Loraine majestically descended the stairs.

The crowd made way for her fearfully.

Cayson was the only one who walked to her without hesitation.


"Lorrie, are you okay?"

Loraine's heart felt warm when she saw the concern in Cayson's eyes.

It was at this moment she realized that she had someone who would be on her side no matter what.

Loraine shook her head and responded, "Don't worry. I'm fine."

Marco was infuriated after Loraine ignored his question and talked to Cayson instead.

"Loraine, answer my question!" 

Lorraine looked into his eyes and sneered. "This isn't the first time Keely has pulled such a stunt. I thought you were a smart man. Why are you falling for her tricks again?"

Marco's eyes widened when he heard this statement.

Lorraine leaned forward to look at Keely, who was hiding in Marco's arms as she cried crocodile tears. "Last time, you set me up after stabbing yourself. You wanted to collect my kidney as compensation. What do you want from me this time? Are you going to pretend that your leg is broken and ask Marco to cut off one of my legs for you?" 9