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Victoria sighed. "I don't know what is wrong with me."

"You are perfectly fine. I promise you."

"No, I'm not."

"I honestly thought I was done with men. I know that Ashton is a great guy, I did not want anything to do with him but I tried to loosen up a bit with him. It is so sad I never saw him more than a friend."

"But Oscar reappeared from nowhere and all I want to do is to jump on his bones. It didn't matter if he ruined me and hurt me in the past. All I knew there and then was that I wanted to be in his arms. Pathetic right?"

"Don't blame yourself, Vee. We can't help who we fall in love with."

Vicky gently shook her head. I am not going to believe that."

"Finding love in someone who ruined you is an eyesore. Words can't describe how much I feel disgusted. I hate the fact that I do not feel guilty about it."

"Does Oscar feel the same way?"

"I don't know. But I think so." She replied in all honesty. "He couldn't stop staring at me or hardly take his eyes away  
me."

"Then I think you have nothing to worry about. It would have been so worrisome if it was a one sided attraction."

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Vicky shook her head. "Don't get me wrong, Kathie. I don't care if the attention is started by him or from both sides, I don't want to feel what I am feeling towards him anymore."

"I understand you, babe. And on that note, I would want both of us to be very realistic."

"It is true that Oscar hurt you and all. But we can't change the fact that there is still something amazing that exists between the two of you."

"I would not call it amazing. It is just....." Victoria sighed, burying her face in her hand for a second.

“We honestly got carried away. Well, I don’t know about him so I will speak for myself.”

“He got in through the window. We really spoke at length. He initiated almost everything so I guess his feelings were really genuine but he did not force me to do anything. I had no idea when I started responding back.”

“God sees my heart that I want to trace the cause so bad to me being celibate for a long time. I really don’t know if that added to it but at that moment Oscar was here, I wanted it so bad, and being in his warm embrace was the only thing that mattered at that point when he was here.”

“I do not feel any form of regret but I am just mad at myself that I consented to such.”

“But it is never going to happen again. Oscar and I have officially separated already.”

“I won’t ask why or how because I know it must have been initiated by you. If there is anything you are a professional at, then it is putting people in their place.”

“So you mean Oscar’s chapter is officially closed? You do not feel anything for him anymore?”

“It doesn’t matter if what I feel for him exists or not. I do not want anything to do with him and that’s it.”

“Sorry to invade but did he ask about Sophie, like wanting to be in her life and all?”

“Yes, he asked after her and we both decided that it was best if he was not in the picture.”

“What? Why are you staring at me that way?” She challenged Kathie.

“You both decided that was the best thing to do or it was your personal decision?”

“I don’t think it matters if it was my personal decision or not. There is so much history to what Oscar and I have. He knows deep down that it was for the best.”

“Then why are you all teary? It is hard to let go, isn’t it?”

Vicky did not say anything.

“I just want to move on with my life and forget that tonight ever happened.”

“I don’t understand why Ashton told you I might be in danger. Oscar picked up the call and they exchanged words. It was all about threatening him to stay away from me because I am his woman. His words did not sound like I was being attacked or anything.

“I think Ashton’s concern was from a very jealous point of view.”

“His aim was probably to make me come here so I would destroy any play you and Oscar wanted to execute.”

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“Crazy that he thinks his actions are going to make me like him the most!”

“I do not blame him. When it comes to the one we love and care about so much, we do things that sometimes make us question our sensibility. He is just doing everything that will make you his.”

“His gesture towards me is starting to get pretty annoying. I hope he goes back to that receptionist girl. I am not interested in him.”

“I understand. You received the confirmation today, didn’t you?”

“It’s crazy!! The way I feel around him. I have never felt that around anyone before. And it just revealed to me that Ashton is no contender.”

“No doubt he is an amazing guy. But he deserves to be with someone who is capable of returning his energy and showering him with the same love. And unfortunately, I am not that person.”

Kathie nodded. “I understand you, Babes.”

“I am sorry you are in the midst of all of these. I wish there was something I could do to make everything better.”

“I will be fine. I just need to get over tonight.”

“I feel so sad!” Kathie mumbled.

“For me?” Vicky gestured to herself. “Oh please, don’t.”

“My life has been nothing but a very sad experience. I am sure this is just one of those. I will be very fine. I just have to stay healthy and sane for my daughter. She is all I have and she is the only reason I have got to keep pushing.”

“You are not scared that Oscar might be back, wanting her to take on his duties as her father.”

“He knows the risk involved so he wouldn’t even dare.”

“Can I say something?” Kathie whispered.

“Whenever you chip in like that, I know you want to attack me but it is fine. You can go on?”

“You still like Oscar!”

“No, I don’t.” She answered immediately, staring intently at her personal assistant who was also her very close friend.

“You do.”

“So what now? You know more than my feelings?”

“Of course not. But there is just something that is always evident when you like someone deeply”

“Don’t be mistaken, Kathie. People are used to misreading and easily judging my countenance.”

Kathie reached for her hand and gave it a light squeeze. “Sometimes I wish I had this superpower.”

Vicky frowned at her, “What for?”

“To put things in place. You are one of the sweetest souls I have had the privilege of knowing and I wish things were even more perfect for you. You deserve an amazing man in your life. Someone who would treat you just like the Queen you are.”

“Thank you for the kind words but I am fine. I’ve got Sophie so I am good.”

“Stop using Sophie as an excuse to live a good life or should I say, a fulfilled life.”

“Your baby girl is going to be just fine. Definitely!! It is cool as her mother to always want to protect her, do everything for her, put her first, and ensure that she lacks nothing.”

“But you should know that she would eventually have a life of her own. If she doesn’t go to a boarding school, she would definitely go to college or vacations. For some reason, she would have to be away, and it would just be you that is left.”

“The point is, you can be a good mother and at the same time, be good to yourself. Have fun, take risks, party, find a partner, and all.”

“You know I care about you and want you to be really happy.”

Victoria nodded.

“Thank you for your kind words.”

“Anything for you. Do you feel better?”

She nodded.

Kathie shook her head, not satisfied with her answer.

“You still look really down. Or do you want us to hit the club?” Kathie asked hopefully, looking at Vicky intently.

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