

Chapter 43 A Wise Choice For Divorce

After asking some questions about the connection between Rosy Secret and Norah, Joanna finally got the picture of the situation.

"So, they claimed your song and lyrics as their own creation? Damn, how dare they!" Joanna, visibly upset, blurted out, "Norah, how did you keep yourself from confronting them physically?"

Norah gave Joanna a look and said, "Getting physical can't change anything. Rest assured, they'll soon learn their lesson."

Joanna nodded, feeling Norah's tolerance was solely reserved for Derek. Norah's attitude toward others' wrongdoings fluctuated with her mood, lenient on good days, unforgiving on bad ones.

"Come on, I'll walk you out."

Supporting Joanna, Norah descended the stairs just as Derek, Kathy and Madeline started to walk their way out of the Glamour Club. Norah and Joanna continued, unaware of Derek and his group trailing behind them.

Kathy, noticing Norah and Joanna in front of them, pointed out, "Isn't that Norah? Norah and Joanna, right? Are they here to enjoy themselves at Glamour Club?"

Madeline's eyes darkened with schemes in mind. "Miss Wilson deserves some relaxation, given she seldom got out much back when she looked after Derek."

Kathy, oblivious to Derek's changing expression, added, "So, she's here scouting for a man? That must be the reason she'd come to Glamour Club."

With a calculating look, Kathy stepped forward and yelled, "Hey, Norah!"

Norah stopped but didn't turn around. She continued toward the exit.

Kathy persisted, "Norah, I'm speaking to you. Don't you hear me?"

Facing Kathy's obstruction, Norah responded sharply, "I only respond to human language."

Kathy's irritation spiked. "You!"

Norah looked back and saw Madeline clinging to Derek, both staring at her in dismay.

Joanna let go of Norah's hand, advanced, and shoved Kathy aside. "Such nerve. Given the Carter family's standing, you dare to make such a scene?"

Joanna faced Derek directly. "If you, Mr. Carter, can't keep your sister in line, I'll have to step in."

Madeline intervened with a soft voice, seizing the moment to play the nice guy, "Miss Andrews, please, there's no need for hostility. Miss Wilson once lived with the Carter family. Kathy just wanted to catch up with her."

Norah rolled her eyes at Madeline's hypocritical words and said, "Seriously? A catch-up, you said? Miss Powell, I don't see anything for Kathy to catch up with me. Mind if I offer unsolicited advice? Mr. Carter, you might want to focus on how you'll handle the upcoming divorce lawsuit."

Derek's and Madeline's expressions darkened.

Norah pulled Joanna back to her side and advised, "If you've had too much to drink, it's time to head home. There's no use making a scene here except serving for making all of you clowns here..."

Kason, flanked by his bodyguards on his way out, instantly noticed them by the entrance. "Miss Wilson, Miss Andrews, are you leaving? Why didn't you let me know?"

Kason's commanding presence seemed to fill the space as he approached, silencing Derek and his group.

With a tone of mild reproach, Kason approached Norah and noticed Joanna's drunken state, asking, "Miss Andrews, are you drunk?"

Joanna, struggling with her balance, confessed, "Yes, I'm quite drunk, and everything's spinning."

Kason then turned his attention to Derek and his group, slightly puzzled. "Have I interrupted something? What's this discussion about?"

Derek felt a wave of unease. Kason from the Hayes family seemed to know Norah. How could it be?

Many of the Hayes family members were military veterans, and Kason's legendary tales were often shared among affluent families in Glophia.

Kason had distinguished himself early, joining the military police academy with outstanding merits and later participating in classified missions, vanishing from the public eye.

With Devonte falling ill recently, the family's leadership had passed to Kason's elder brother. However, Kason's brother's transition from military to family affairs hadn't been smooth, leading to the family's diminished influence.

After being absent from the public eye for years, Kason returned and assumed control of the Hayes family. Seen by many as an exemplary figure, Kason, despite being Derek's age, commanded much greater respect.

With a serious expression and a commanding presence, Kason advanced, making Kathy uneasy. She subtly sought refuge behind Derek as Kason drew near. Her boldness to confront Norah stemmed from her belief that Norah wouldn't retaliate.

Derek, cautious of the dynamics involving Norah and Kason, refrained from further comments. "Just a casual conversation."

Kason's focus then shifted to Madeline and said, "Aren't you the Powell family's youngest daughter? Weren't you abroad for marriage? What brings you back, and why are you here with Mr. Carter?"

Caught off-guard, Madeline responded quietly, "Mr. Hayes, perhaps you're not updated, but I've been back for a while."

Madeline didn't elaborate on her presence with Derek at this hour.

With a stern look, Derek asked, "Mr. Hayes, are you acquainted with Norah?"

"Yes, I am. Why do you ask?" Kason answered casually before addressing Norah, "Miss Andrews has had too much to drink. Miss Wilson, I'll drive her home first and then drop you off afterward. Would that be alright?"

Norah nodded, and Joanna, by her side, also concurred, "Sure."

Madeline's expression changed subtly as she chimed in, "Mr. Hayes, you might not be aware, but Miss Wilson lives in Dreamview Villas. I believe she has her own means of transportation."

Kathy, pretending to be astonished, interrupted, "Dreamview Villas? Does Norah reside in Dreamview Villas? Could someone be sponsoring her?"

This insinuation altered the mood of those gathered.

Madeline couldn't resist commenting, "Kathy, why would you suggest such a thing about Miss Wilson? It's possible she purchased the villa on her own."

Kathy scoffed. "For the past two years, Norah was like a housekeeper in the Carter family's residence. Plus, the Wilson family didn't value her at all. How could she afford a villa, especially in Dreamview Villas? She couldn't fetch such a price!"

Considering Kason's presence, Derek finally stepped forward and reprimanded, "Kathy Carter!"

At his shout, Kathy quickly retreated.

Kason chuckled and said, "Is this indicative of the Carter family's upbringing? I never saw this before. A younger sister boldly disparaging her brother's wife indicates a habitual disrespect at home. The reasons behind Miss Wilson's divorce are becoming clearer to me."

Kason then directed his attention from Kathy to Madeline. "An arrogant younger sister and a mistress meddling in a marital relationship — it seems the divorce was a wise choice Norah made."

Joanna applauded and said, "Well said, Mr. Hayes!"

Norah lowered her eyes, remaining silent.

Derek's expression soured. Facing Kason's critique regarding the Carter family's lack of discipline was a bitter pill to swallow.

"This is a family affair. Allow me to remind you that you don't

have the right to judge on this, Mr. Hayes," Derek said, attempting to uphold Kathy's dignity in front of others.

Kason looked at Norah and said, "You're right. While the Carter family's dynamics don't interest me, Miss Wilson is my friend. My remarks were merely in passing."

