## Life at the Top Chapter 19

Nobody wanted to trigger Hugh's fury when he had just lost everything. Everyone remained silent.

"I've been dominating the stock market for so many years. When I made my fortune, that kid was still playing in the dirt. If he thinks that he can defeat me through this alone, he should continue dreaming!" Hugh yelled. He then turned around and left the venue.

A slight frown formed on John's face. He was worried about Jasper. Alas, Hugh was not wrong. He was an extremely powerful force in the stock market. Since he had made such a big loss, he would not just let it be.

However, Jasper did not know about all this. He brought Wendy, who was still shocked from the previous surprising events, out of Royce Villa.

"How did you know for sure that the stocks for Horizon Shares would rise?" Wendy could not resist asking him.

Jasper had not revealed any signs of hesitation and fear since the very beginning. He seemed to be confident in how the results would turn out. If Wendy did not know that it was impossible to predict the trend of stocks, she would have thought that Jasper had estimated everything perfectly.

"I believe in my instincts," Jasper said with a smile on his face, "Nobody can tell if stocks will rise for sure. I often just go with my instincts."

Wendy was rendered speechless. This reason was unbelievable, but it seemed to be the best explanation for everything that happened.

"Weren't you afraid that you'd lose such a large bet?" Wendy asked.

Jasper stared at her intently. "I won't lose with you by my side," he replied.

His words made Wendy press her lips into a firm line. At a loss of words, all she felt was her heart racing as it thumped loudly.

"What nonsense are you talking about..." she murmured, avoiding his gaze instinctively.

Although she was blaming him for spouting nonsense, her demeanor and the tone of her voice revealed how shy and flustered she was. Wendy, who looked like an ethereal goddess most of the time, had a human touch to her as well.

Since things had gotten interrupted and Wendy did not want to continue asking about the bet earlier.

The both of them took a ride back to town. After bidding Jasper goodbye, Wendy left.

Jasper did not ask her to stay. Although she would definitely stay back to accompany him if he asked her, there was no need to do so.

There were plenty of days ahead. Jasper still had plenty of time to foster a relationship with Wendy.

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The next day, Jasper went to Commercial Bank to deposit the 50 million dollars he won from Hugh and transfer the amount into his futures account. He then returned home and did not leave the house after that.

If he did not recall wrongly, today would be the day movement began in the international crude oil futures market!

It all started because a fire broke out in one of the major oil-producing countries in the Middle East.

It was originally a small fire in an oil field that could have been put out easily. However, an unexpected strong gust of wind caused the fire to detonate the three largest oil pipelines in the oil field.

The entire world was then sent into a bout of frenzy.

At the moment, the prices for crude oil were still hovering at the bottom. The current price was the lowest in recent years. Nevertheless, this incident caused crude oil prices to rise vehemently.

Although the prices dropped after that, the prices for crude oil had never fallen again throughout the next years.

After he planned out the course of actions he would be taking, Jasper opened the software.

He had 62 million dollars of funds in his account at the moment. Under a leverage of 50 times, he would have an operational principal of 3.1 billion dollars.

Although the money currently all belonged to the bank, he believed that the balance of his account would reach his desired amount.

According to the exchange rate, this would be 360 million dollars.

Even with the experience of two lifetimes, Jasper felt rather anxious at the moment. This was 360 million dollars in the year 2000. With this money, Jasper would become explosively wealthy and be able to receive countless benefits.

Crude oil was now priced at 28 dollars per barrel. The fire had yet to occur.

Jasper did not hesitate anymore. He completed the deal at once and bought futures in his desired direction. He purchased thousands of barrels in one go. The order for 14,400 lots was immediately submitted for listing.

360 million dollars entered the market. It was swallowed up by the international crude oil stock trading market within the blink of an eye.

Jasper breathed out in relief upon seeing that the trade had been successfully completed. The next step would be to wait patiently.