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Henry felt his scalp grow numb. 'Why was Jasper here?'

Jasper was the one the Combe brothers were dealing with!

Henry had not jumped at the sight of Jasper, but it was a close call.

His first thought was a reflection of how there were so many coincidences in the world.

Henry wanted to speak, but he saw the look Jasper gave him.

With a gulp, Henry forced the words on the tip of his tongue down his throat.

Jasper was stunned when he saw Henry as well.

The only difference between them was that Jasper reacted quicker and gave Henry a warning glance when he realized that Henry was the aforementioned distinguished guest the brothers spoke of. He hinted to Henry not to expose their relationship.

If the distinguished guest was anyone else, then Jasper might have had to put some effort into this.

Yet luck seemed to be on his side when Henry walked in. Jasper could not help but feel... that the Heavens wanted to teach the Combe brothers a lesson tonight.

The silent communication between Henry and Jasper went unnoticed by Jacob and Hector.

"What's wrong, Mr. Law?" Jacob asked carefully.

Henry gave Jacob the weirdest look and pointed at Jasper. "This is the person you're dealing with?"

Jacob's heart dropped at the question and he subconsciously nodded. "Yes."

"Good job!"

Henry chuckled gleefully and gave Jacob a big thumbs up.

Henry meant it. He was indeed impressed by Jacob at that moment.

Of all the people to offend, he just had to choose the most unfortunate one of all. Henry glanced at Jacob, realizing that he was indeed a mere mortal. Why was he so impatient for death?

Forget everything else, but even Mitch and Zane from Harbor City had yet to take a breather after Jasper forcibly dragged them under his feet.

Either Mitch or Zane alone was more than enough to completely overpower Jacob.

In face of Henry's praise and the large thumb in front of him, Jacob could not help but feel that something was off.

Jacob's heart shuddered as he thought back to how Henry had stared at Jasper for a long while outside the door earlier and he asked carefully, "Do you recognize him, Mr. Law?"

Blood drained from Jacob's face in fear. He was utterly screwed if Jasper turned out to be Henry's friend.

It was just like selling coffins in front of Hades himself.

Henry snickered and glanced at Jasper. Seeing how the latter did not react, Henry knew that Jasper was about to start ostentatiously tricking people again.

There was no reason for him to put a damper on Jasper's fun since past tragic experiences had taught him that he would be the only one suffering in the end.

"Nope, not at all."

Henry replied with a fake smile and moved to sit on the couch loudly. Crossing his legs, he pretended not to know Jasper at all.

Jacob's heart settled back in place at Henry's actions. He internally scoffed for spooking himself. He even almost gave himself a shock.

'Exactly, who's Jasper? How could someone like him be acquainted with Mr. Law?

'One of them is a divine being, and the other is the muck of the earth!

'There's absolutely no reason for these two's paths to cross.'

With his heart settled, Jacob glanced at Jasper sinisterly and smirked. "I'll give you a chance to beg for mercy, Jasper. How about that?"

Jasper glanced at Jacob calmly and replied in an unaffected tone, "Oh? Didn't you say you were going to kill me?"

Jacob laughed aloud and gave Hector a look.

Hector snickered and walked toward the coffee table in front of Jasper, putting his leg on it. Pointing to the space between his legs, he snickered and spoke, "Crawl between my legs and my brother and I will give you the chance to beg for mercy."

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Jasper looked at Hector, his gaze calm like a lake of dead water.

"What if I don't want to crawl?" Jasper asked instead.

Jacob scoffed. "Do I look like I'm giving you an option to choose from? Stupid!"

"Either beg for mercy today, or I'll call someone to close yours and Jim's company down. Jim will have his license revoked! Trust me, I can easily do all of this and more!"

Jacob spoke with an arrogant laugh, "Your relationship with Jim is great, right? His wife and child are both in Swallow Capital, and I think his son's doing his second year in a reputable high school. I'm afraid his wife and son will only suffer if I send word out!"

Jacob leaned into Jasper as he spoke and scoffed. "By then, not only will your company suffer, but Jim's entire family will also fall apart because of you!"

Jim's expression shifted as he roared, "Come at me, you coward! You think threatening my kids makes you so great?"

Jacob straightened his back and spoke coldly, "Why the f*ck would I care whether I'm playing fair or not when we've already made it clear that I won't go easy on you guys tonight, you dumb f*ck? What, your brain's f*cked over too now?"

Jacob then pointed at Jasper and asked, "So, are you crawling or not?

"If you are, then f*cking get to it. Or you can choose to walk out of here on your knees and wait for me to take revenge!"

Jacob then turned to look at Henry and spoke, "You've never seen someone crawl between another's legs, have you, Mr. Law? You'll be able to see it soon, haha."

Henry clamped his mouth shut and shrugged, neither agreeing nor disagreeing with him.

Jasper did not say anything, so Henry would continue acting.

Even so, he really wanted to grab the wine bottle on the coffee table and swing it at the back of the two idiotic Combe brothers' heads.

"I did some investigating," Jasper started to speak while looking unaffectedly at Jacob.

"You Combes have produced quite the results when it comes to promoting through word of mouth, that's why both of you work in the media industry. You have quite the amount of media companies under your name and you earn quite a bit every year."

Jacob narrowed his eyes at Jasper and scoffed. "What's the point of saying all this now? What, are you afraid? You want to give the company back? Sure, but you owe my brother 20 million worth of compensation for moral damage. Then I'll let you go."

Hector's eyes shone and he immediately agreed. "Exactly. 20 million is already taking pity on you. Give me back my company and I'll let you go once my mood gets better. Or you can say goodbye to your only son."

Jasper sighed. "It'll be much easier for me to strike back when you've got your own businesses in the media industry. Just wait, okay?"

Jasper looked up to meet Jacob and Hector's eyes, and he spoke coolly, "Or you can also use your self-righteous ways to try and defeat me. Every man for himself."

Jacob and Hector's expressions darkened, and they spoke coldly, "You really don't know when to quit, do you?!"

"You think you can fight me in Swallow Capital? On what basis? It'd be easier for me to crush you than an ant in Swallow Capital! You're ridiculous. Go back and wait for your company to close down!"

"You're the one who's actively searching for death, Jasper. Don't blame me for leaving you with a remarkable lesson. I'll have you know that your tricks and your capital is nothing more than a fart to me!

"Or do you think you have the connections to deal with me? Let me tell you, people connect in circles and trash like you will only find friends that are equally trashy. As if you'd find someone who dares to stand up against me!"

"Pfft..."

Henry spat out the water he was drinking right at Jacob's face as the other talked big of himself.

Instantly, Jacob had his face drenched.

Henry stared at Jacob with dark eyes. 'Jasper's friends are trashy? So you mean I'm trashy too?'

With Henry's personality, there was no way he would endure this.

Had Jasper not given him a look when he first entered, Henry would have ended these two brothers on the spot!

"Mr. Law, what are you..."

Jacob wiped his face. As he was arrogant and proud, this was the last thing he expected. He asked reflexively.

Before he could complete his sentence, Henry had already sent a large slap across his face.

"Mr. Law your motherf*cking foot! How dare you call me trashy, you motherf*cker? F*ck you and your entire f*cking family, b*tch!"

Henry got up spitting expletives from his mouth. His gaze was ice-cold, and one slap across Jacob's face was hardly enough to satiate his anger. Henry raised his leg and kicked Jacob onto the floor, bringing Hector down with him.

Following that, Henry turned to look at Jasper with an innocent look on his face. "Jesus, these two f*cking idiots. I really couldn't hold it back anymore, Jasper, I'm sorry!"

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The room fell silent and the air seemed to freeze around them.

The atmosphere of the room turned extremely weird.

It took a while before Jacob and Hector, who lay dazedly on the floor, finally realized what was going on.

At that moment, even idiots knew that Henry and Jasper were acquainted!

Not only were they acquainted, but their bond was special too.

Otherwise, Henry would never apologize to Jasper with that temperament of his.

Jacob shivered, wondering just what kind of devil he and his brother had provoked. He was someone that even had Henry minding his opinion and emotions.

"Mister... Mr. Law, what..."

Jacob covered his face and stuttered.

Before he could finish his sentence, Henry kicked him in the face again.

It was a harsh kick, one that immediately gave Jacob a nosebleed.

"I f*cking told you not to call me Mr. Law!" Henry's gaze was filled with anger.

Plopping down on the sofa, he spoke with a sneer, "How could I possibly accept such an honorary title from brothers as awfully great as the two of you?

"Don't you know who he is? What a good job you did there. Not even I dare to provoke him yet the both of you act like you're some divine entity. One calls him a piece of trash and the other calls him a stupid f*ck. How about the both of you open up your f*cking eyes and look carefully who the piece of trash and the stupid f*ck actually are here?"

Jacob and Hector stared at Jasper in shock.

'How could it be?

'Just who is this person?!

'Isn't he just some rich businessman?'

"What a couple of stupid f*cks." Henry scoffed. "Has it never crossed your stupid f*cking minds how he even has so much money despite his age? You think people without skills can do that?

"You two act like you're on top of the world just because you're from the Residence but do you honestly think that the money you have in your pockets can compete with his? Are you telling me it's never crossed your mind at all?"

Henry's words had both Hector and Jacob's heart thumping erratically in their rib cages.

'That's true. If he had no skills at all, then how could he have pulled out 600 million at such a young age to buy Easy Media?'

That was a point that the two brothers had neglected to think about.

Jasper smiled and spoke, "Don't listen to his bluff. I'm just a pretentious person whose company you're going to close down. You're also going to screw Jim's family over, right? What else?"

Jacob shivered and glanced at Henry secretly. The sneer on the other's face shot his fear and unease off the roof.

"Who are you?"

Jacob suppressed his fright and anger to ask.

His dignity did not matter at that moment, for he just wanted to know who Jasper was.

Hector looked at Jasper with the same frightened and unsettled gaze.

He felt as if this ant he could so easily crush in his hands had suddenly transformed into a powerful dragon.

It was too big of a difference for anyone to bear.

"Is my identity that important?" Jasper asked plainly.

Henry pursed his lips and turned to Jasper. "Why are you wasting so much time on these two stupid f*cks? As if they'll know who the f*ck you are. They're just ignorant idiots. I say, you should just end their lives straight away and move on."

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Jacob and his brother's complexion paled. The brothers would have just laughed it off if anyone else had said so, but this was Henry Law. The man had the ability to make his words become a reality.

Jacob evaluated the current situation and flipped himself over. Ignoring the blood on his face, he bent over and bowed to Jasper, apologizing in the most sincere attitude possible. "I'm sorry. My brother and I have offended you. I apologize for our actions! Please forgive us!"

Jasper looked at Jacob calmly and smiled. "Not bad, so you do know when to be humble. Well, don't you look sincere while apologizing? I'm sure you're scolding me to hell and back internally though, aren't you?"

Jacob frantically disagreed. "No, no, I wouldn't dare. You're a man of great virtue, Young Master Laine. How would you waste your time on being calculative with minor characters like me? Let alone would I dare stay angry at you."

Laughing, Jasper replied, "I'm not a young master at all. I'm just a simple man from an ordinary family. I can't possibly compete with you people, so don't call me Young Master Laine."

"Please forgive me and my brother, Mr. Laine."

Jacob turned to look at Hector who was still dazedly lying on the ground as he spoke. Fury suddenly surged through him and he raised his hand to slap Hector across the face.

"Are you stupid? Apologize to Mr. Laine right now!"

As if he had just awoken from a dream, Hector clenched his teeth and stared at Jasper. Indignance burned in his heart.

"I'm sorry!" Hector stood next to Jacob with his head down as he apologized unwillingly.

Jasper ignored the two who were bent over in apology and instead turned to look at Jim, the man who still had not snapped out of his shock.

"I promised I'd get them back for that kick, Uncle Yapp."

Jim took in Jasper's smile. He would have shot up in joy had his stomach not hurt too much to stand.

In less than three minutes, the entire plot had taken a harsh turn and changed the course of decades of history.

Having made his living in Swallow Capital for so long, he knew better than anyone how the caste system pressurized people within its social circles.

While Jacob and his brother were not prominent figures among the other members of Swallow Capital Residence, they were overwhelming and bossy kings when it came to anyone else.

'Who's Mr. Law? This man seems to strike fear into the two brothers.

'What's more terrifying is Jasper. A man who this Mr. Law treats so respectfully, just who is he?'

Jim found himself unable to see through his old friend's son-in-law.

"Jasper... I..." Jim was a little scared.

"Don't worry, Uncle Yapp. They won't dare do anything to you," Jasper replied calmly.

Seeing the calm expression on Jasper's face, Jim took a deep breath to control the excitement and fright he felt.

He turned to look at the Combe brothers who both sported uneasy expressions on their faces. Resentment and infuriation bubbled instantly within Jim.

Without anyone behind his back, Jim had to bend to everyone's will because he was not strong enough to stand on his own.

'Now that I have Jasper, what more do I have to fear?'

At the thought, new hatred added to old resentments and they overwhelmed Jim, who lifted his leg to kick Jacob in the stomach.

Jacob yelled painfully at the kick and staggered backward, only for his knees to wobble before he kneeled onto the floor.

Watching Jacob grab his stomach and crouch forward before his eyes, Jim realized that he had never felt as joyful in decades.

"You had fun when you kicked me, didn't you?!" With a wretched expression, Jim went over to deliver two more kicks.

Hector's complexion paled sickeningly as he watched how Jacob yelped in pain yet still refused to fight back. He turned his head and made way for the door.

However, Julian was standing by the door the moment he turned around, like a statue of a mythical God.

The strength was zapped from Hector's legs and the man fell on his knees with a thud before Jasper. "I'm sorry, Brother, please don't hit me... I'm sorry. It's my fault for being so blind, damn my stupid f*cking eyes. Please, forgive me!"

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Jasper crossed his legs and looked at Hector, his expression unfazed while the other continued to beg him for mercy.

Beside him, Henry opened a bottle of brandy and poured Jasper a glass.

The sight made Hector shudder.

Within their circle of trust fund babies, one did not pour alcohol for just any other person.

Henry's actions were a statement that Jasper held a higher position than he did.

Jasper, however, did not think much of it. If anything, Jasper only looked at the glass in distaste.

"I don't drink brandy."

Jasper would occasionally sip on red and white wine, but he preferred to keep a respectful distance from foreign alcohol.

Henry pursed his lips. "This bottle costs 160,000. I can't even afford this normally."

Jasper smiled. "I didn't know that there's alcohol even Mr. Law can't afford."

Henry's expression darkened. "You know very well how my old man likes to control my allowances. Not to mention that my sister refuses to help me financially either. I'm her brother!

"On the topic of alcohol, my old man has two crates of 30-year-old whiskeys from his boss when he came to Swallow Capital 30 years ago. There's no way he'd let me drink it just like that, but that's what we had when you came over for dinner those two times.

"I'm sure my old man will say yes if you remind him of it the next time you come over."

Henry's eyes shone as he schemed with Jasper, plotting how he could get his hands on his father's alcohol.

He had no idea that their exchange was causing shivers to run up Jacob, Hector, and Jim's backs.

'This old man Henry is speaking of.

'It has to be Zachary Law, the man of the Law family.'

Henry's words had given them information that would stun the entire circle of trust fund babies in Swallow City.

Not only was Jasper and Henry close, but the former was someone who could easily walk in and out of their house!

'The Law family had invited Jasper over to dinner twice!

'What does that mean, you may ask?

'That means that Jasper is more than just Henry's friend. Jasper is friends with the Law family!

'This is a completely different concept!'

Jasper's identity and status had instantly and infinitely shot up.

No one in their generation could enter the Law family's house as they pleased, or was even considered a family friend of the Laws.

Jacob and the other two's emotions were still in havoc when Henry spoke again.

"My sister came to Swallow City too. She's resting in her hotel room now. All she does every day is rush me to wrap my business up so I can bring her over to you and give you a surprise. How about you come back with me later? We'll give her a surprise this time."

Jim, Jacob, and Hector all looked at Jasper with strange and complicated gazes. They finally understood who Jasper was.

He was the Law family's son-in-law!

Now everything made sense.

"She's here too?" Jasper exclaimed in shock. "Alright, let's wrap this up then."

With that, Jasper stood up and walked over to Jacob and Hector. The two's faces were drained of color.

"To be absolutely honest, I'm just a mere businessman. The main reason why I don't want to come in contact with members of the Residence is because of how troublesome it is."

Jasper's words were met with weird expressions on the brothers, but the two had nothing to say.

"But trouble just like to look for me when I refuse to look for it. Say, for example, the two of you.

"Not that I'll be afraid when trouble comes knocking at my door. Just because I don't actively look for trouble doesn't mean I'm afraid of it. That's my motto."