

Life Debt 1001

Chapter 1001

John was silent; suddenly, he didn't know how to explain himself.

'It should've been a while ago, no? At least, before we went to that beach," Cordy said.

She found it ironic as she recalled it now.

To think she did so much to make him remember their past.

She even prostrated herself, prepared a parental test, and used his identity to make him take responsibility for Dicky.

But in the end, he had always known.

The entire time, she was just making a fool of himself.

'I just--

but I don't want your explanation," Cordy said, cutting him short." It won't do anything

myself clearer, I will cut ties with

hint of misery in John's eyes, but

she would always be that rational, and

still be with her when everything was over, with the assumption he would earn Cordy's forgiveness by shaping

myself and Patrick. I don't want to be your mistress, nor do I need you to be

It's over between us,

"...Okay."

took a long while for him to reply, and even then, he only said one

he turned to

door; it seemed they had been waiting there even though they said

they could clearly see the tears streaming down John's cheeks.

to hide one's sadness when it was

man of restraint, but

Chapter 1002

To be honest, Patrick was ready for the worst case scenario when he left with Sean.

John did save Cordy with his life, and if he asked, there was every chance Cordy would break down and throw herself into his arms.

Thus, Patrick was surprised Cordy was so determined to reject John. In fact, she refused to listen to any of John's explanations and remained determined to reject his advances even after he admitted that he had regained his memories.

Did she not love him anymore? Or did she love him too much and was afraid to get hurt again?

At the same time, Cordy wiped away her tears ever so subtly.

There was just no controlling it when your heart hurt so much.

However, she will slowly change that from now on, and slowly forget how she felt towards John Levine.

'I'm sorry,' she suddenly told Patrick.

Patrick's heart skipped an anxious beat.

now, but

that mean his

loudly or say another word. Great despair overwhelmed him

time, I swear I'll never cry for

right then

just apologizing-not breaking

asked with a faint smile, since

eyes were a little moist, and he was greatly overwhelmed. "Cordy,

'I know."

knocked me out, so I couldn't save you," Patrick rambled as he explained. "And

I know," Cordy said,

Nana was prepared to go that far, that woman would definitely

don't mind it, Cordy, but I want

trailed off in hesitation, Cordy saw through him and said, "You're trying to ask

it's not like I mind it, but I just don't get it. John knows how much he loves you now that he's regained his memories, and he even saved you from the fire. You should've chosen him, even if it was just gratitude from that gesture... Or do you feel guilty towards

it right away. "It has nothing to do with you. It's over between him and me, even if

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Patrick had more to say, but then Cordy deliberately provoked him, "So, you want John to have me instead? Is that it?"

Patrick promptly snapped in agitation. 'No! Of course not!'

Cordy smiled-she certainly understood that.

However, Patrick was just too good to her. He was always putting her first before all else, and was especially worried that she would be hurt.

"I want to be with you forever," Patrick said as he reached out, clearly unable to resist taking her hand.

However, perhaps embarrassed for some reason or another, he couldn't actually touch her. Cordy actually found that she couldn't stand it.

Was he embarrassed?

think of it, it was understandable since this

such, Cordy reached out to take his hand

he took her dainty hand firmly in his and

left quietly-he

to the open balcony of the hospital

a little frustrated, as so much had been

he was halfway through his first cigarette when a

turned to find John standing there. He quickly turned back to

work

this time," Sean refused, his distaste for the man all

his side and said quietly, "Actually, we were always on the same

Cordy back, even if

do with her,"

Sean looked up at him, he added, 'And you should know that the Lynds are

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Sean had to wonder-should he trust John?

What if this was all just a trap? There was no question that John had the strength to destroy the Cranstons!

Nonetheless, John made his intentions clear right then and there. "Nana's merely a chess piece. The Lynds would never consider themselves as one of them without her. If I wasn't amongst them, I won't have leverage for a partnership..."

He trailed off for a moment as he saw Sean raising a brow, and said, "Fine. I'll admit, it didn't cross my mind before that I should work with you. I was intent on destroying the Lynds as I did with the Stuarts

with my own strength. However, I didn't know that the Lynds were your enemies at first. To top it off, they were your relatives. I'd never have partnered with you under such circumstances, let alone make Cordy hate me because I messed with the Lynds."

"So you're pleased that they moved against us," Sean said, appearing composed but ruffled inside.

John was going to destroy the Lynds on his own?!

It was far beyond his imagination to conceive. How powerful was he, really?

And the Lynds were far above the Stuarts in power and influence!

"I am. Most importantly, now I know Cordy wouldn't hate me if I moved against the Lynds."

"Quit dreaming already. She and Patrick are going strong," Sean said, very slowly and clearly.

is between me and

"Just putting it out

pursed his lips. "So? Are

Who knows if you're a rat? You even married

could get a read on John, since the latter played everything

no way of proving my allegiances,"

am I supposed

a feeling you'd say

yourself too much

of my life, and my

who

not one

looking Sean straight in the eye as he said, "If I were going to work with the Lynds against your family, your family wouldn't have stayed unscathed thus

displeasure, since John was clearly

was basically saying that the Cranstons would never

Jesse Cranston,

he had nothing to say

consider," John said, and he started to leave." There's three days until

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John said solemnly, "That has nothing to do with my motivation to protect Cordy."

Sean pursed his lips, unable to say anything against that.

John then added, "Take your time to consider..."

"There's no need," Sean said. "We're partners now."

He didn't need further reason either, since John was on the money.

If John really wanted to work with the Lynds to destroy the Cranstons, the Cranstons wouldn't remain unscathed.

And Sean would never doubt John's strength.

"Alright. I'll contact you when there's any new developments," John said.

"You mean, I shouldn't come to you?" Sean asked.

"Ideally, no."

"Alright."

"Also, I have a request," John added.

"Tell me."

on me, and Nana is as smart as she is sharp -she'd notice something if I'm unaware. As such, I need protection and someone who can pass information for me

for an insider in the Lynd family? That's going to be

a

blinked, John continued, "Just wait for

to it immediately, as if there was this part in his heart where he simply couldn't reject any

"I'm going now."

John left. Sean snuffed out the remaining half of his

were all in for

Zoe and Jay were traveling to another distant location to record another episode of 'Journey of Love'.

They would be away for

Zoe packed up early in the morning, Yelena

we'll be back in a few days. Be a good

to

going to work,

bring me to

there and

Yelena snapped, and ran
however. Yelena was a right little brat, and her getting upset was a
the room with Yelena on his
brow. "Please don't tell me you're planning to
Where's the principle?
not," Jay

Chapter 1006

Jay said solemnly, "Playing with our daughter isn't hedonistic.

"But you're putting off work. If I remember correctly, that film you're going to direct was supposed to be next month," Zoe told him. And I overheard you calling your assistant to delay it another month."

While Jay was left speechless, Zoe muttered, "I just don't want to end up on the streets with you."

"Well, even if I stop working right now. I'd still have enough wealth to last us several lifetimes," Jay replied.

Bragging, are we?

Zoe was rendered speechless for a moment, but then she quickly said, "You should always strive to be better instead of goofing off. You'd waste all the money you have if you gave in to hedonistic tendencies."

"I'm not. Also, the filming was delayed for a month only because the female lead would only be free in a month," John quickly explained, genuinely worried Zoe would find any reason to get sick of him. i

"Mommy," Yelena couldn't help but say. "Can't you stop packing? Let's go to the amusement park, okay?"

"No," Zoe refused right away.

Yelena pouted miserably, leaving Zoe sighing-her daughter really knew how to make her relent.

why Jay was so

defeated. She put down the clothes she was holding. "But have you considered that we'd be recognized easily if we go

on my payroll. They can keep us safe

would start crying if they

comfort above everything. After all, Yelena would fuss about wanting to be carried once she got sick

didn't put on makeup either, and left the house just

though Yelena got excited anyway the instant they got in the amusement

was left

break, okay?" she pleaded.

get ice-cream-1 want ice

alright." Zoe was soon speechless, as Yelena was genuinely capable of crying on

who had followed them

"I'm fine."

seemed to remember then that he didn't like sweet food, unlike

got that from

and bought two ice creams. Then, she

so sweet, Mommy,"

Zoe said as she kept slurping on hers, feeling a pang of

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Zoe got upset immediately. "Jay Parker! You kept telling me before that I'm not fat, but now, you're telling me to adhere to the strict discipline of an actress?!"

Men!

What they see is all they care about!

"No, you just shouldn't eat too much sweet food, or you'd get cavities."

Zoe was speechless. Was she a child to him?! He should be telling that to his daughter instead!

Feeling petty, Zoe snatched her ice cream back from Jay, chomping down on it when she was just taking small, careful bites before.

Although she was telling herself not to eat too much before, she liked rebelling against Jay more.

Calling her fat? Did he know how terrible it is to be an actress?

She had to restrain herself even though there was so much she wanted to eat, and would always feel guilty if she managed to encourage herself into taking one extra bite.

he refusing to comfort her... He had

wincing immediately from brain freeze after she took a

felt unusually furious. Suddenly, she felt a soft sensation on her lips, followed

momentarily stunned until she realized

he feel no sense of

long a while since

been deliberately avoiding her since then, since she seemed to have hurt yet, he did that before she could come up with a way the moment she came to her senses, but he was grinning charmingly, before she could speak, Yelena snapped unhappily, "Bad Daddy! You stole Mommy's smiling, though he appeared a outburst, Zoe in innocence, as if she didn't understand at all, "Is it sweeter if you eat the ice cream Jay gave her wrapped her little arms around Zoe's neck, and started reaching for they did scooped Yelena away up in his arms Yelena frowned unhappily,

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Zoe stared at the ice cream she was holding, and wondered if she should finish it. That was when she suddenly remembered Jay kissing her, as well as the touch of his lips... She immediately threw the ice cream into the trash can.

That devious man!

He was doing everything he could just to stop her from finishing that ice cream!

She quickly ran after Jay and Yelena, joining them as they queued up for the Ferris wheel. She never noticed someone taking photos of her from a distance.

They queued for a long while until it was finally their turn on the Ferris wheel. Yelena really liked it, constantly getting excited whenever the Ferris wheel rose into the air.

It was no exception this time as she beamed cheek to cheek, leaning against the glass window of the Ferris wheel.

"Don't lean on the window, Yelena," Zoe told Yelena. "It looks dangerous even from where I'm sitting."

clearly refusing to

she wasn't

full of herself ever since she

was going to snap at

"Don't

quickly scooped Yelena up in his arms and put her on his lap. "We can get a good view from here can see better there," and stay close to me. Isn't that for a moment, and only listened to Jay these days, while Jay certainly years, yet Jay defeated her with such point, Yelena suddenly asked, "Can we take a whipped out his phone and took several selfies going to take one with Mommy?" Yelena then Zoe, but she was a flash of disappointment in Jay's eyes, and thought to herself that she must've imagined it, but she explained nonetheless, "The pod would shake if everyone sits on one

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Zoe wasn't trying to provoke Jay or scorning him, but...

Fine, she could admit that it hurt her to see how difficult life was for Jay these days. It was why she blurted out such thoughtless words.

And the look on Jay's face now, she felt like she had wounded him again.

"I mean..." she went on awkwardly. "Don't get me wrong, I just think..."

Even as she quickly tried to explain, she fumbled her words once again- which she seemed to do everytime the situation became tense.

"The doctors told me that chances of recovery are very low. I've tried physiotherapy before as well, but the effect wasn't obvious," Jay said calmly, his emotions inscrutable.

But whatever the case may be, he seemed really wounded.

Before Zoe could say more, Jay had Yelena sit on his lap, and steered his wheelchair ahead.

Zoe watched as he left, feeling so guilty she could die.

amusement park. Moreover, Yelena was too energetic and never ate much as

after they left. Yelena fell asleep almost instantly once

and

carry her," Zoe

quite light at over 31 pounds, but that didn't mean one wouldn't tire from carrying her around for arms sore the next who was mostly carrying Yelena said flatly, "I'm just right then-in other words, he was saying really air against her seat, closing her eyes to avoid the awkwardness between them, only to had been a long, tiring day-for both Jay finally turned towards her, he immediately found so that she could lean against his shoulder, allowing her to sleep more adjusted his hold on Yelena as well, and breathed a small

Chapter 1010

Zoey followed Jay into the elevator.

She wanted to speak several times, but gave up whenever she saw the stern look on Jay's face in the mirror within the elevator.

Even if she had cleared the air-even if they were now in a proper relationship, there was still a huge distance between them.

Arriving home, Zoe immediately picked up the strong scent of food.

And she had been famished.

They had been playing with Yelena the whole day without eating much, so eating something a little late would probably be fine.

"Welcome home," Clara greeted them warmly as she approached them." Oh, Yelena's asleep already?"

She took Yelena off Jay's arms as if it was only natural, and Jay didn't reject her in any way.

In other words, Jay was only being distant towards Zoe.

He then told Clara, "We've been playing the entire day. Let her sleep."

and naturally couldn't bear to wake her since she was

room, Clara said, "Dinner's ready. Just wash

and headed straight to the dining

cook low-fat food and would cook separate portions for Zoe. Naturally, the menu would not be different aside from

certainly

Zoe gorging on the

Zoe's diet regiment, there was this part in her heart

more important,

that hungry?" she asked

park," Zoe replied, and remembered something while

fact, it was just five in the

texted me earlier," Clara

to find Jay eating slowly and

hungry too," he said

think he texted Clara earlier for her sake; it was most

still realized that Jay was always thoughtful in all

made up for each other's flaws that

she became pensive

company again... So why was

her mind,