

Life Debt 981

Chapter 981

Cordy returned to the banquet hall, where Patrick was growing restless from waiting for her.

She smiled despite herself-he really was a little impatient, since she was barely away for ten minutes.

'I would've gone looking for you if you didn't come back," Patrick said a little grumpily as he took her hand.

"What, did you think I'd lose my way?" she retorted in slight annoyance as they returned to their seats.

Patrick, however, said seriously, "You won't lose your way, but you're so beautiful everyone would want to kidnap you. It's not easy for me to get myself a wife. Who would I cry to if she was abducted?"

Cordy was a little speechless-his danger sense was a little too keen.

However, before he could continue, everyone turned towards the stage as the wedding's emcee started speaking. "Esteemed guests, thank you for taking time off your busy schedules to attend this blessed wedding ceremony of Mr. Lucas Lynch and Miss Nana Lynd. The ceremony shall begin at 12:08 pm. Once again, thank you for coming."

When the emcee was finished, Patrick whispered into Cordy's ear, "That's another ten minutes."

conspicuous

can show up for her own wedding with that frail body of hers? Who knows

mute

it would be if someone overheard him saying that,

she understand that he was on

was staying with Nana, or he wouldn't have stood a chance with Cordy. However, he was still

are contradictory that

12:08 pm, a celebratory fanfare resounded, and John went on stage at the

Cordy sitting at the table

stars in the night beneath

wasn't even

called out to

his senses right then, and the emcee smiled at him. "You seem to be nervous today, Lucas. Can't wait

Cordy and Patrick

John's words, more

to hold her hand firmly

Chapter 982

Nana strode down the carpet with her hand linked around her father's.

She was smiling beautifully-a pretty sight under the tender radiance.

Naturally, everyone in the banquet hall was watching them, as Nana's father clapped John on the shoulder and passed Nana's hand to him.

John nodded respectfully, and took Nana's father's place as the man walked away.

Nana smiled sweetly as she wrapped her hand around John's; she slowly strode towards the stage together in the accompaniment of fanfare and flower petals raining from overhead.

Even as the air seemed to swirl with the scent of romance and bliss, Cordy watched with clear indifference.

Patrick was watching too, but he would glance worriedly at Cordy from time to time.

"Don't look if you

sure Cordy still felt upset about the wedding,

promptly released her hand, while Cordy smiled

didn't really blame him for it either, and even explained, "I'm fine. I only came because I was mentally prepared for

am I getting so upset?"

flashing a tender, gorgeous smile at

again with Nana, just happened

as the spotlight shone upon him and Nana, they had a

Cordy

immediately sensed

for Cordy to be seated right below the stage so that Cordy had a clear will of

spiteful payback against Cordy, she immediately saw how grandly Cordy was dressed for the

was breathtaking-even Nana herself was stunned,

beauty was certainly a delight to behold, but for Nana, it

Chapter 983

So that's what everyone was gasping about?

And Cordy was wondering if it had been something serious.

But did they have to flaunt their affection like this, when they were just a few paces away from the stage?

Were they that eager they couldn't wait for when this ceremony was over?

Cordy turned her eyes away coldly, while John helped Nana up the stage.

The emcee stepped aside, letting the priest quickly go through the grand motions of blessing the new couple.

There was certainly no delay-the wedding ceremony was being rushed because of Nana's poor health, and they were soon at the part of the exchanging of the vows.

It was quite the simple ceremony.

the stage, the priest asked John," Lucas Lynch, wilt thou have this woman to thy wedded wife; love her, comfort her, honor and keep her, in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all other,

John replied,

to thy wedded husband; love him, comfort him, honor and keep him, in sickness and in health;

"I will," Nana replied.

priest declared

"Let's give a warm round of applause to the newlyweds as they retire to their bridal

was certainly a simple ceremony for such

leave the stage, she gestured at the emcee, who quickly handed

health issues, but I'd rather not have any regrets on the most important day of my life. That is why I shall grant my own wish to say the many thoughts I have, at this

applauded again-they were certainly eager to back

his lips and whispered into Nana's ear," Your

Nana

bliss-she was just so hopelessly in

watched them, indifferent

twisted nature aside, she wasn't hiding her love at

Chapter 984

That was why the crowd felt sympathetic towards Nana.

'Last but not least, I must thank my husband, Lucas," Nana continued.

She said the words 'my husband' with apparent love, but John merely watched her quietly, pursing his lips as he did so.

"I never believed in love, and was convinced that only my family would love me in this life. I also believed that I had no right to love, what with my poor health...until the day I met you. That's when I found out that I can be loved too, and was capable of loving someone so much. You complete me, and I'm thankful you came into my life."

Nana's eyes welled with tears as she finished; it was an especially moving sight as it glinted against the spotlight.

John's Adam's apple shifted, but he remained silent nevertheless.

At the same time, Nana spoke through her tears, "You are my world, Lucas.

I love you... So, so much."

Earnest, sentimental declarations of love always stole hearts, do they not?

be a frail girl who

him. "Such stirring words from your bride... Don't you have

remained silent, leaving the

said, "Our bridegroom must be too emotional, he's worried

clapped for him while a

slowly took it, and told Nana,

streamed out of the corner

bliss were certainly

teardrop

it, and it came without warning-it was only when

considering how many times she repeated that she was over John, that

the

immediately mumbled, "I'm

a right scumbag-how could she

my shoulder for two minutes-you only get to mount him for

corrected himself when he saw the look in her eyes. "Fine, you can have another three minutes.

Chapter 985

Meanwhile, the banquet hall erupted in thunderous applause as Nana and John stepped down from the stage.

Soon, the wedding luncheon started, and the table was served full of dishes fit for kings.

Cordy hadn't actually done anything, but found herself staring at a little hill of food on her plate.

Anyone who did not know would think she was famished.

"That's enough, Patrick," Cordy whispered to him.

' No! You should be eating more to get your money's worth,' Patrick said seriously. "You'd be hurt emotionally and physically otherwise, and that would be a net loss."

While Cordy was left speechless, Patrick urged, "Go on, eat."

Cordy decided then that the man spoke sense, and started to eat as much as she could.

Halfway through, John and Nana came to toast everyone, with Nana on a wheelchair.

cleared

you," John answered

Patrick or Cordy, and quickly tried to

her whenever possible, just like she was doing right now by deliberately telling Cordy, "I'm so happy to see you. I

to be a member of the Cranston family yet and her presence in this wedding was a mystery. However, seeing that she came with Patrick and the Stuarts being a grand dynasty themselves, it made sense that he was attending this wedding, so most would

Nana's words left everyone

Cordy smiled faintly. "Congratulations, and here's a

her glass and generously offered her blessing, while

feelings, and was capable of staying unaffected at any

from her wheelchair with her glass, and clink it

suddenly added, "Lucas, Cordy's offering us her blessing. Aren't you going to have a toast with

that Cordy was looking

handsome after dressing up elaborately, and Cordy had heard many people

Cordy simply repeated, "Congratulations. You two

her lips, but didn't

Chapter 986

Sean's reply was: [I'll talk to Jean. I'll tell you later.]

If there was nothing else impeding them, they could leave-even if it meant they have no idea who the culprits trying to kill Jesse was.

Feeling a little uneasy, Cordy got up. Patrick was immediately worried.” Where are you going?”

“To the ladies’ room.”

“I’m coming with you.’

“I need to relieve myself.”

“...Alright, I’ll wait.’

“Yeah.”

Cordy left the table and headed to the ladies’ room; she inadvertently ran into John, who was standing just outside the door.

but John was alone and Nana was nowhere

he suddenly explained,

past him. Supposedly this was how clingy Nana was,

John suddenly called out to her,

but in reality, he had no right to stop her

just entered the ladies’ room and ran straight into Nana wheeling

she was wheelchair bound; Cordy strode

called out to her, leaving

it so hard to relieve

who smiled with contempt. “I really

asked in return. “We had a deal, and it’s all

really can let it go this quickly?” Nana was

at her. “I need to relieve myself right now, so I won’t be playing along if you have nothing else

that, she turned and strode right inside one of

noticed the heinous smile on Nana’s face. Unbeknownst to Cordy, Nana whipped out her phone to send

received a reply, she deleted all

Chapter 987

John frowned; Nana clearly sensed his displeasure, but refused to let go of his neck anyway.

“We’re a lawfully married couple now, Lucas,” she said.

“Quit messing around. I need to tend to our guests soon.” John tried to push her away, his impatience evident.

“Yes, you can do it soon. It won’t take that long...” Nana retorted, staring at him fixedly in the eyes.

“Don’t play around. The doctor insisted you shouldn’t do anything taxing.”

“I don’t care.”

“But I do,” John breathed, very slowly and clearly.

Nana beamed, clearly elated by his words. “So you love me? You don’t want me to die?”

“Yeah,” John replied, though that was only because he knew all too well that he wasn’t going to survive if Nana died anyway.

he told her again. “I’m going to

you sure you would?” Nana asked, still refusing to let go. “And aren’t you tired, holding yourself up? There’s no body

get hurt. The doctor said you can’t afford any mishaps, given your

raised a brow. “Is that right? But are you really worried for

is

not answering

is more important than anything else,” John said very slowly and

press the issue, since she was never going to get the answer she wanted. “How about a

simply pursed her

let alone having sex with me. But can’t we at least kiss now that

simply stood there,

getting a response, Nana became demanding. ‘I want you

tears

abstinence for Cord/s sake? Is he really refusing

firmly around John’s neck and pulling

to reach his lips, John pulled away and left without hesitation,

Chapter 988

At the very next instant, John watched as stewards in the hotel appeared on the floor and knocked on every door, crying, ‘There’s a fire in the banquet hall! Please leave your room with us immediately for evacuation!’

As their voices echoed repeatedly, the doors opened. Everyone was in shock by the unexpected fire.

The banquet hall was on the first floor, and the fire there might have spread upstairs if it was bad enough-if the firefighters could not stop the fire in time, naturally.

Nonetheless, the walkway was a sight of confusion as the guests ran out of their rooms.

“What’s going on? Why is there a fire? What if it spreads up here? Are we going to die?!” someone asked loudly.

The scene was even more confusing.

However, one of the hotel staff quickly calmed things down. “There’s no need for panic! There’s a fire escape that goes straight outside, and you just have to follow our directions. The firefighters have already been informed. They’ll stop the spreading fire soon and keep everyone safe.”

“Well, where’s the fire escape? Let’s go already!”

“This way, sir!” The staff members began to evacuate the crowd in a tense but orderly manner.

At the same time, John had already returned to the hotel room and scooped Nana off the bed.

his arms, but scoffed coyly, “I thought you weren’t coming back. You

was becoming ever quieter around her these

truth, there was a split second when he

get killed if

he refused to save her, the Lynds were prepared to throw as many bodies as they could in

he couldn’t take any

panicking crowd, while Nana stopped gloating because she sensed how taxing it was for him to run while carrying

the vast helipad up on top of the hotel, with several

they safely boarded one of the helicopters under the directions of the hotel staff. After ferrying the

John took Nana to the Lynds’ car, he didn’t leave the

you going, Lucas?” Nana

what happened and handle the aftermath. Your health’s already so poor-get home and get some

sure you’re not just going to check if Cordy is safe?!”

and left

didn’t care what she

glaring viciously, burning with hatred-Cordy was definitely going to

was their own

Lucas hadn't fallen for

Chapter 989

Cordy worked hard to stay calm.

She left her phone on the table out at the banquet hall, and so had no way to call for help directly.

She gritted her teeth, and started to hammer against the door viciously.

However, most of the other guests already left the guest hall and there were no others in the ladies room.

She therefore couldn't alert anyone despite the ruckus she was causing.

Her danger senses were screaming now, and she kept hitting the door." Hello? Is there anyone out there?!"

There was still no response, and at that point, Cordy didn't have to guess if her situation was an accident.

In fact, there was no doubt that this was all Nana's doing-and given Nana's heinous nature, she wasn't such a trivial person to go that far just to lock her in.

quell her unease, and decided that she had to free herself since

the doors and the walls reached up to

open that

she kicked at the door while still wearing her high-heels, withstanding

that accident before, so she could attend the wedding without a wheelchair. But even as she kicked with her uninjured foot, the stress still strained her other leg, and she

kicking at

door in the

still not budging-what on earth could be used out there that held the door fast to

to stay calm earlier, she was beginning to panic. She wondered if Patrick

her if she

Nana was ready to go this far, she must be ready to deny Cordy any chance of

her had suspected the Lynds for a previous attempt on their grandfather's

do it again, she wondered if Nana

herself that she

Patrick would never abandon her, even if Nana tried to

Chapter 990

The hotel staff evacuating the banquet hall intercepted Patrick. "There's a fire, sir! It's dangerous here. Please come with us and leave through the fire exit.'

"There's still someone in the toilet! I have to reach her!" Patrick cried out urgently, immediately going physical against the staff and shoving him aside to rush in the ladies room.

"Sir, don't worry," the staff caught him nonetheless. "There's nothing to worry about. We have professional rescuers evacuating everyone right now, just leave the rest to us for your own safety."

"Move! I'm going by myself!" Patrick's eyes were almost red in urgency right now, Cordy's safety was far more important!

She was alone in the ladies' room, and her leg was still hurt.

If help didn't reach her in time...

The thought only sent Patrick into a panicked frenzy; he ignored the staff's discouragement to push the latter away as hard as he could, and dashed straight to the ladies' room without a pause.

'Sir!"

him, but Patrick

left through the fire escape after finding out

he didn't mind the thought of risking himself for

do anything to make

room, he never noticed a burly man suddenly rushing up to him and

like a candle even before he realized what happened. The same burly man picked

John was rushing through

on evacuating the building in

however, never saw Cordy-even though she was supposed to

her either-none of the Cranstons

his heart immediately, and he had a hunch right then that this fire

so, he worked hard to keep himself calm and look everywhere

big man carrying Patrick out of the banquet hall, but Cordy wasn't