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Insert 1

Zibusiso

I wore my long formal pants with a black T-Shirt and red shoes and bag. I combed my afro and wore silver studs and watch and walked out of the apartment. I got in the car just as the delivery guy parked. Guy: Looking for apartment 22.

That was mines. Me: That me.

Guy: Miss Mae? Me: Yep!

He gave me a paper to sign while he opened the door taking out flowers and a card and a small packet. I took them locked the car walked to my place and placed the flowers in water. Than read the card.

" have a kick ass day"

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I kept quiet for sometime than opened the packet and found a cute little watch that was silver. I took out mines and wore it than left the house.

Somewhere

I looked at the representative from Mseluku family standing before me after they told me they heart desires.

Me: Let me repeat so I make sure I got you guys right. You want us to have a white wedding within six weeks?

They nodded

Me: A girl who has no idea that firstly she has a family and secondly her family married her off to a man she has no idea is her husband for the past 7 years? Am I clear?

Bab Mseluku: I know we made the deal with your grandfather on your behalf but his gone and you here and you are carrying his word!!!

Me: Iv done everything I could for your daughter, she has a roof over her head, a car to take her wherever and now am offering her a job

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is that not enough?

Bab Mseluku: You are her husband.

Me: by force.

Bab Mseluku: By tradition of our tribe, a tribe and a tribe has they own beliefs and ours is that everyone has the own soulmates in order to bring peace to our nation. There are families that are meant to be together, families that are meant to prosper. Families that reach they ultimate goal both spiritually and ancestral by uniting as one. And you my child are that link for us. Fight it and nothing will ever go right for you and your generation to come. Accept it and watch God nabadala (ancestors) do they favour onto your life Phila!. I know you don't believe in it but respect it and do as your grandfather says. I got up and looked at him. Iv known my whole life that am different. I have no powers am just a normal human being that fights by prayer. Iv been in situations that I know I shouldn't be alive today but here I am. I know my family usually slaughters and do all ancestral things but the day they told me that the ancestors chose a wife for me since am they gift to them I laughed it off until I learnt of bab Mseluku who had to let his daughter be raises in an orphanage because she was my chosen mate. At first I didn't understand it but the more I read about it the more its kinda makes sense. I got up and walked to my car where I sat in it for some time with my uncle walking towards me.

Uncle: Sometimes we do things for the greater good. I know this is all too much but we trust you. The whole Mae family trust you to do right.

Me: Why couldn't idlozi pick someone else!!!

Uncle: The spirits see fit that you lead us.

Me: So much for peace. Ill see you in a weeks time when we sending the last cows kubo.

Uncle: You a good man Phila and so is she, dont tempt destiny.

Insert 2:

Zibusiso

To say am not nervous is an understatement. I walked to the receptionist and she smiled at me.

Me: Zibusiso Mae!

I watched at her look at me shocked.

Her: Right this way ma'am . She walked me over to the elevator and pressed a button and it opened up at a suit office. I walked to the reception there who was waiting for me. He handed me a bottle of water and walked me over to a closed glass door that had my name on it. Yes, my name was on the wall with head project manager. I slowly walked in and looked at the office space that was huge and I turned to the guy.

Me: Uhm, am confused

Him: This is your office Ma'am.

Me: Office?

He looked at me and sat me on the chair.

Him: Am Lee

Me: Zibusiso.

Lee: I know who you are.

Me: Am lost, am suppose to be here for an interview

Lee: I know what your letter said but if I typed come start work

would you have came?

I shook my head no.

Lee: So drink up you going to need it.

Me: What happening.

Lee: Drink up sweetheart. He got up leaving me in there.

Lee

Phila never hides anything from me so I know about her and the past 7 years. Iv been the one that does everything for her, the shopping, sending gifts and so forth. Am the one that been running this marriage. Yes the boss knows and usually give input but we talk about a slow clueless man that Phila for you. I walked to his office to find him pacing.

Phila: She here?

Me: yes

Phila: where?

Me: Across your office

He looked at me.

Phila: you placed her in her office? What wrong with you?

Me: Am so not having you bite off my head, now remove the coat you look too serious

and smile. He did and I laughed it looked so weird on him.

Me: Don't.

Phila

I took a deep breath and walked out to the other office and there she sat tapping her clean manicured nails on the desk. She was light in colour, had black afro hair, big huge eyes and small nose and full lush lips. Her eyebrows were bushy and she looked at me.

Me: Phila Director of the company. She stood up and she was tall as I like it with a little bit of hips and perfect waist and boobs. She was as normal as they come.

Her: Zibusiso

Zibusiso

Man are handsome out there but this guy is an epitome of handsomeness. He was a little darker than I, tall, lazy brown

eyes, perfect full lips and muscular. Not too buffed up nor too skinny just perfect.

Phila: Thank you for joining us today

Me: I think there was a mixed up.

Phila: With us hiring you?

Me: Yes

Phila: Not a mistake.

Me: I never done any interviews

Phila: I know

Me: Am fresh out of school.

Phila: I know.

I kept quiet and looked at him as he sat on the desk near me looking at me.

Me: What going on?

Phila: you our new Manager for our projects.

Me: How?

Phila: One day you will understand but for today, how about I introduce you to the staff. Lee peeped in the office

Lee: The whole stuff is gathered at the master boardroom.

Phila: Thanks will be there.

I looked at him and saw his wedding band which was black with Red stones. All the good ones are taken. He took out a box from his pocket and placed it on the table.

Phila: I know you have questions and I hope i can answer them without scaring you away but you need to wear that. I looked at the small red box and opened it seeing the most black and red diamond ring ever, it was exquisite and glistered. I looked up at him because it matched his.

Me: I don't understand!!!

He took it out and slid it on my fingers with his hands shaking.

Phila: Am Phila Mae and you are my wife!!!.....

Insert3:

Zibusiso

I looked at him and I laughed, i laughed until I couldn't anymore and he stood there watching me. I looked at my hands and the beautiful ring on my finger and laughed.

Than stopped as he looked dead serious, i took a bottle of water and drowned it than took another one and drowned it. When done i looked around.

Me: if this is a prank than you got me.

He walked towards my desk and opened it and took out a file.

Phila: a copy of our customary marriage certificate and registration at home affairs. A copy of the lobola negotiations contract and a copy of your birth certificate before they changed it to mines. He looked at me one last time.

Phila: i know i should have been gentle with this but there is no easy way of telling a person that you married to them for the past 7 years.

Me: am sorry did you say seven? I laughed in shock. He looked at me and pointed to the papers and left

Phila

I walked out to the boardroom and found the room abuzz but silent the minute I walked in. I stood at the poduim

Me: Am going to be short in explaining things but let me put a rest to your rumours. As you all know there have been speculation over the years about my marriage and who am married too and why have we not been in public as I am a public figure!

Everyone nodded

Me: well I am married and my wife will be joining our company as the projection manager since Gary has resigned. All the new paperwork has been sent to you via email in regards to those working with her. I know curiosity is part of nature but ill like all questions to be directed to me not her.

Me: Thank you for your time and have a productive week. I got down the podium and walked out of the room with everyone talking at once and got on the elevator to the office where I found her door closed.

Zibusiso

I was quiet as i drove to my place and got in and changed. I undid my bun and wore PJ. Than made tea and sat by the love

seat drinking tea .There was a knock and I walked over to the door and there he was. Phila Mae standing by my door

I wasn't even going to ask him how he knows am here, i moved he walked in and I went to the kitchen made him tea and went to the love seat and sat with him.

Phila: You okay?

Me: 7 years ago, i was just a kid!!! A kid doing grade 10. I was in a catholic school for girls that never had boys and knew nothing about boys, i still know nothing about man yet am married!!!

Phila

She hugged her cup as she whispered and I felt the pain in her voice. The little apartment looked good and neat and stylish.

Zibusiso: The papers said my father signed on my behalf

Me: Yes

Zibusiso: I was raised in an orphanage from 6 months old.

Me: I know

She looked at me with glassy eyes not saying anything than looked at her hand where she still wearing a ring that I gave her.

Zibusiso: What happening??.....

Insert 4:

Zibusiso

I looked at him and he looked away, i think his an introvert. He took a sip of tea and I saw him make a face and I laughed as he looked at me.

Me: You not a tea person?

Phila: No

I got up and took it.

Me: What would you like?

Phila: Whiskey would be fine.

Me: I have no alcohol in here.

Phila: Coffee?

Me: black or milk?

Phila: Black.

I went to make it.

Phila

I got up and walked around her living space and found pictures of her from childhood till now and they told a story of a happy soul and loving and kind and simple. She walked back and I sat on my spot as she placed the coffee one the table.

Me: Thank you

We drank both consumed in our own world.

Me: I don't know where to start!!!

Zibusiso: The beginning

Me: my mom and dad couldn't have kids for years of trying and so did your parents since they were best of friends. They both decided that they will start a praying session every day at 6pm. So they did go everyday to an empty plot of land near by with our dad just there to make sure they safe.

I looked at her and she was curled up like a kid listening to a story.

Me: They went there everyday and prayed until one day they meet an old woman who prayed with them. She told them that every family have they spiritual guides and sometimes those guides needs to be connected to other family guides in order to be powerful. At first it didn't make sense to them but as they prayed and this woman keeps showing up, she told them that she can help them but those kids are going to be linked for life.

They going to be special kids and vital kids for both sides of the family.

I saw her look at me with so much interest.

Me: well our parents didn't see anything wrong since they best friends and we were going to see each other everyday anyways my mom got pregnant 1 year later to a boy that me. The lady popped up and asked her if she still wants me? She said yes and she told her that she will die. She said she didnt care, ill be a gift to my dad so she died a few minutes after she gave birth to me. Your mom who was helping my mom give birth became a mother to me while helping dad with raising a child. 3 months later my father couldn't take my mom death so he gave in and died. Leaving me with no parents but a doting grandfather who stepped in and raised me. 7 years later your mother gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. She feared she would pass too but she didn't until one night she walked in a nursery and found the woman holding you. She told her to give you away that the only sacrifice she needs to do but she must know that when she gives you away at the orphanage she will never be able to find her way home until you look for her.

Zibusiso: This is crazy!!!!

I saw tears streaming down her face.

Me: They were told to never look for you even though they know where you are, them sacrificing themselves like this is enough for the Gods and Ancestors to bless them and to protect them. You were 6 months old when this happened and that when they told them that the only person that will bring you home is me. The only person you are ever to be with is me. So the day your mother packed a bag for you they came to my grandfather told him everything and he being elder revealed that in our tribe there are families that have to do things in order to balance out the spiritual world. Long story short you were sent to an orphanage where every month my grandfather made sure you were taken care off. When you were 5 we sent cows kini to buy you so you can use our surname. They did a ceremony and I remember I was twelve when we drove to the orphanage middle of the night and pour inyongo(bile)on you bakhufakha isphandla(traditional bracelet)

Zibusiso: I remember waking up smelling and sister Evan telling me am not to shower for two days, being a kid that got me excited and the hairy bracelet too. They used to call me Zee all the time but that day everyone started calling me Zibusiso Mae.

Me: A few years later we than sent out lobola negotiations to your family that they signed and agreed on and on that day I remember I was in varsity when my grandfather broke the news. I was dating.

She looked at me.

Zibusiso: You dated?

Me: a part of me didn't want to believe all this, it was too much to bear that our lives are ruled by the under gang. But that never lasted as my grandfather made sure. When the negotiations were over and marriage was registered at home affairs I knew that things are real

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you and I were customary married than the media got a hang of it and for years they speculated about the merits of it. When grandpa passed on he told me you know nothing about this and its my job to take care of you as my wife. So I did.

Zibusiso: how?

Me: Applied for funding at the orphanage to get money so I can take you to the best schools that life can offer, applied on your behalf at varsity, the teachers and I had a good relationship so it was easy finding out what you want. Got this complex at a reasonable price and rented out the other flats and kept this one for you. Got the car and now getting you a job since I see you value independence.

She looked at me shocked.

Zibusiso: The groceries?

Me: Lee helps with that

Zibusiso: Cleaning lady?

Me: Lee helped with that.

She looked at me for a moment.

Zibusiso: If I say no? I can't marry you.

Me: We kind of don't have a choice here.

Zibusiso: But

Me: i tried dating and that never worked out. If you...

Zibusiso: Am not saying I don't want too... i just need time, time to process all this. Time to make sense of it all.

Me: Lunderstand.

Zibusiso: Thank you for sharing it with me and sorry for laughing.

Me: Its okay.

We were both silent and I saw the flowers I picked for her And she looked at where am looking.

Zibusiso: Thank you

Me: Its a pleasure

Zibusiso: If its not too much to ask mind if I skip work today?

Me: Aw zisukha nje?

She smiled and I smiled back its good thing she figured am joking.

Me: you can

Zibusiso: Thank. You can join me later for dinner, i think i would have processed everything

I nodded as I got up.

Me: I know where you mother is.

She raised her hands stopping me.

Zibusiso:let do this one step a time, ill like to process the marriage first than go backwards. I know I should be happy that both my parents are alive while you lost yours but am not. Am angry at all this, I may not show it but I am. So let me process us first.

Me: I understand.

Zibusiso: thanks for sharing all this with me.

Me: No problem.

She touched her ring and looked at me.

Zibusiso: How long have you been wearing yours?

Me: Since the marriages got registered

Zibusiso: 7 years than?

Me: 6 and half the first few months I was in denial and threw

myself in dating.

Zibusiso: I see

Me: Never dated ever since i got it though

Zibusiso: I see

She was making me nervous but I kept quiet.

Zibusiso: see you at 7

I nodded and walked towards the door.

Zibusiso: Philasande!!!

I turned because no one. I mean no one called me that name, i always say Phila and people assumed that it Phila not Philasande.

I looked at her as she slowly walked towards me and lightly kissed my cheek leaving her smell on me and smiled.

Me: where you got my full name?

Zibusiso: Marriage certificate

I nodded and opened the door leaving her there. ..

Insert 5:

Lee

I walked in at his office at 5pm to find him staring at the ceiling and smiling.

Me: Things went well?

He turned and looked at me.

Phila: She perfect.

Me: we already established that years ago.

Phila: I know but she is so calm

Me: Tell me something I don't know

Phila: She kissed me.

Now that juicy and I sat down. As much as his my boss we kind of created a friendship over the years. He never judged me about being gay but accepted me and offered to help me get a job and pay me very well.

Me: Mouth?

Phila: Cheek. He showed me like a little kid and I laughed.

Me: that sweet

Phila: yeah it was, she smelt of herbs with a bit of spices.

Me: Must be tea

He looked at me and smiled damn his in love.

Me: So what next?

Phila: Am having dinner at her house

Me: That good, you need flowers and some wine and chocolate.

Phila: I think she doesn't drink

Me: Sparkling wine than

Phila: Thanks

I got up placing an order for him to pick up and smiled. If I didn't stop him a few years ago I would still be selling myself for sex. Good thing his the first guy I stopped before I could lose my soul.

Phila: Any complains from the staff?

I stopped by the door and turned.

Me: Everyone is waiting to see her and the news have been leaked that your wife is in town, am pretty sure that the press by your penthouse.

Phila: Ill crash at her house.

Me: Ill look over some houses over the night and compile a list

for you guys to go see.

Phila: Like move in together?

Me: That what married people do

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they stay in together.

That seemed to scare him and I laughed.

Zibusiso

I wasn't a world expect but I made the meanest macaroni and cheese so I made that and grilled beef at a side to munch on if that wasn't filling. Than placed it on my little table for two, took a shower and wore my other PJ than walked out to find him on

my couch.

Phila: I let myself in after knocking for a while

Me: You have keys?

Phila: Yeah

Me: I see.

I signalled for us to walk to the sitting area. There were flowers and sparkling wine and I smiled at him and his thoughtfulness.

Me: Thanks.

He pays attention that I don't drink.

Phila: Smells good

Me: Its just macaroni and cheese.

We sat and I dished out for him as he ate in silence. I saw his enjoying the food and added more as he ate it not complaining even had the beef

Phila: that was different.

Me: Than what you used too?

Phila: I usually eat out and you know how restaurants sometimes destroy the food.

Me: yeah

He took a sip of wine just as there was a knock and i walked by with my wallet paid the guy and walked to the table placed the whiskey he asked for earlier.

Me: i really know nothing about this stuff but they store i ordered from said its the best.

Phila: thanks its my favourite.

I poured him some and we sat by the lounge.

Me: Am sorry about earlier.

Phila: No need to apologise

Me: i just grew up all alone and now this.

Phila: No need to explain yourself.

Me: I feel like i need too. I really appreciate all that you have done for me and I really dont want to sound like a brat or seem ungrateful.

He looked at me.

Me: ill love to see this through and see how it works out. Ill love for us to kind of lean on each other and making sure our family sacrifices were not for nothing even though I feel like we both don't understand it.

Phila: Ill love that too.

Me: Good so what next

That shock him a bit and he smiled covering up his nerves.

Phila: Apparently married people stay together?

Me: Apparently?

Phila: heard of it this afternoon

I laughed his really a cool guy and have weird jokes.

Me: They share a bed too

Phila: Will it be to much to ask if we try the bed thing tonight.

I looked at him and he looked calm.

Me: Sure but it pink bedding

Phila: I can do with pink for the night

He took a shot of his glass and looked at me for some time.

Phila: I know you said you dont want to hear about your mom but she is a remarkable woman

I snuggled in the sofa.

Me: Tell me about her.

Phila: When my mom died your mother stepped in very hard. Till to date I can drive up to her and pour my heart out and she listens and advice. She cooks the meanest food ever and has the most adorable laugh. One quality I love about her is that she is at peace. She hasn't seen her daughter for over a decade but still at peace. She hasn't been with her husband for over two decades but still at peace. I love her strength in all of this and love how she still loves and loves hard through all this.

I could see the love he has for her and that gave me fear, what if I don't like her or she doesn't like me than what?

Me: She sounds amazing.

Phila: just like you, you too alike to miss that you two are one

Me: What if...

Phila: Dont create doubt.

Me: I feel like they gave up on me

Phila: Sometimes parents have to make hard choices for our sake.

I looked at him and sipped my wine and cosy up the couch he had a nice calming voice.

Me: Can't believe am married.

Phila: Was it something you see yourself doing one day?

Me: eventually But I never thought it so soon....

Insert 6:

Bab Mseleku

I sat in bed and looked at the pictures that my guard took of my wife for the day and I smiled at how she still loves gardening. I went online and got her all the tools she needs and processed the order for tomorrow. Life have been hard on us but my love for her is still present. I pray our daughter unites us.

Phila

She walked me to the small bedroom and I stood there.

Zibusiso: Ill get you a top you can wear. She went to her wardrobe and took out a top and gave me.

Me: Uhm I sleep in my boxers.

She looked at me.

Zibusiso: Its gets cold at times

Me: Clothing kinda strangles me.

Zibusiso: Are you wearing boxers?

I looked at her and she closed her eyes laughing.

Zibusiso: Did I just ask that?

I nodded and she laughed.

Me: How about we go to the woolies stop at the garage and see if I can get morning essentials.

Zibusiso: That good. Let me grab a jersey..

We got in my car and we drove to the store where I got toothbrush, roll on, lotion, socks and a pair of undies and some towels. I walked to a boxers section too got those and a Plain T-shirt and some joggers.

Zibusiso: What are those?

Me: Joggers

Zibusiso: What they do?

Me: Same as your leggings but the male version.

She nodded than we went to the ice cream side she got a chocolate mouse tub and i paid and we went back to the house. I took a quick shower than changed to my new joggers to sleep with and never wore a top ill wear the top tomorrow.

Zibusiso

He walked out and I stood there frozen. Iv never seen a man naked. He had a banging body. I closed my eyes for a min digesting the fact we sharing a bed. I opened them to find him in my bed.i walked to bed with the tub of chocolate mouse. I got in with the two spoons and he looked at me and laughed.

Me: What up?

Phila: Just thinking. You still a teen at heart

Me: Yes old man

He act shocked

Phila: being 30 is being an old man?

Me: we seven years apart

Phila: that makes you a grandma too

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ageing starts after 20

Me: Man are not allowed to say woman age

Phila: Than what do we call umagogo?(grandma)

I looked at him faking shocked as he laughed.

Me: Mina!!! magogo?(me!!! grandma)

Phila: Yebo salikwazi!!!(yebo gogo)

He laughed and I smiled opening the tub, being with him seemed right as he was a calm person and funny too.

Me: I want us to see her

He looked at me and smiled.

Phila: She will love that

Me: she really sounds remarkable

Phila: She is and maybe she can help with the white wedding

I looked at him taken back.

Me: White wedding?

Phila: Yeah, we kinda need to do that and gifting of my family.

We already gifted you family.

Me: Without me?

Phila: Yep without you. Now we have to dress you and gift my

family. Me: When

Phila: 3 weeks time we should have the white wedding sorted

and 6 weeks time we should have the gifting done!!

Me: that like a month and two weeks

Phila: Yep, that what your father says.

Me: Why? Phila: New moon

Me: I see I dug in my chocolate mouse

Phila: Brides cuts down on chocolate you know.

I laughed at him and he smiled.

Insert 7:

Phila

Waking up in the morning was a job. It was so comfortable being in her bed. I turned to find it empty and I had a huge morning wood so I went to pee and took a long cold shower and when I was sorted i got out wore my T-shirt and pants than got to the kitchen to find her fully dressed in a grey dress hugging her in all the right places with black heels her afro in a bun and studs and of cause the watch I got her.

Me: Morning.

She moved closer to me kissed my cheek and gave me coffee. Now I can wake up to this.

Zibusiso: Morning

Me: You ready?

Zibusiso: For work?

Me: Yes

Zibusiso: yep

Me: ill have to start at the penthouse first and get dressed for

work

She looked at me and smiled and i knew that the next remark is something cheesy

Zibusiso: mina bengithi you dressing your age with a formal pants and T-shirt phela amakhehla aba nje(this is how old people dress)

I laughed as i grabbed my keys and wallet. She took her bags.

Me: you coming with?

Zibusiso: apparently married people use the same car!!!

She smiled and i nodded

Somewhere in the world

"this marriage can't take place"

Me: Why?

"because that means that all my hard work all these years will be for nothing, ngeke baloyeke labantu(i wont be able to use witchcraft)

Me: I still think that you thinking to much about it, that Mae boy wont win her heart, his too slow. Even if the wedding happens, they don't love each other so even if the wedding takes places, six weeks is not enough for two people to fall in love and consummate things.

"you better be right because I do not want to see that family

prosper

i want them to lose all they business. I want them to be so

desperate to a point that they come to me for help and than ill

give them umamlambo who will work for me in stealing all the

good luck and they spiritual guides who will make me the best

Sangoma in the world!!!"

I looked at him as he grinned with that big black snake next to

him and I felt my blood turn cold.

Zibusiso

His penthouse was 6 times my apartment and I loved his black

and silver decor. I stood on a picture of him standing to a

splitting image of me in 20 years time and I felt a thud in my

heart. I envied that my mother was able to raise him but not

me and that she played a very vital role in his life.

Phila: She is beautiful.

Me: Effortless smile

Phila: Just like you.

I grinned it eased my heart knowing I have a bit of him, i turned

to find him dashing in a grey suit and I laughed.

Me: Vele i have swagg you had to copy.

He laughed and I felt my insides turn as he grabbed everything he needs and we walked out.

Me: Will it be too much to suggest that I move here? While we figure us out?

He grinned wider.

Phila: Ill get lee to sort it out so this evening we just come home.

Me: Thanks, you and Lee seem to be close

Phila: Yeah we kind of are.

Me: How did you guys meet?

He laughed opening the door for me and we got in.

Phila: It was his first night being a prostitute and he flagged my car down, i stopped and he offered me sex

I looked at him shocked.

Me: What did you do?

Phila: He looked nervous so i told him to get in the car and the whole drive to my home he was nervous so I offered him food and he ate like his never eaten before.

Me: Then?

Phila: I asked him what he wants in life.

Me: He must have been shocked.

Phila: Said that the kindest thing anyone have ever asked him.

Me: So?

Phila: So the media found out that I picked up a gay hooker and they said I took him home. It was a big mess while I enrolled him in school to do basic office administrating while he stayed at my guest house. Of cause media said i like my stake near until the day I offered him a job as my assistant and he gained confident to speak out and told his story.

Me: Why didn't you set the record straight?

Phila: It wasn't my story to tell.

In that moment I knew that am going to be with him through it all. I know that if he could be so loyal to a stranger and help him and let him be the one setting the record straight than he will always be loyal to me, have my back and protect me at all cost. Only now it makes sense, am I was created for him as he was created for me and the sooner I make peace with that the better!!....

Insert 8:

Zibusiso

We got to the office and Walked to the elevator that takes us to the upper offices and he looked at me and smiled.

Me: What?

Phila: I like this!

Me: Yeah me too

The door opened and there stood Lee with two cups.

Lee: Mrs M and Mr M.... GoodMorning.

He grinned and handed us our things as we greeted him. Talk about an extra.

Lee: Mrs M you have an 8 oclock meeting with your team at boardroom one and Mr M you have your lawyers coming through at 8

We nodded and Phila stopped me for a minute.

Phila: Ill send breakfast in an hours time is that okay?

Me: Ill love that.

Phila: Cool enjoy. He gently pulled me close and brushed his lips on mines as the whole world zoned out. And it was just him and I standing there enjoying each other presence his lips lightly on mines awakening my soul like it needed that. The coffee smell on him became my new favourite smell. A throat cleared and we looked at Lee who was grinning like a puppy.

Phila: See you for breakfast.

I nodded and slowly walked in my office closed the door and kicked the air. This is amazing, married life is awesome. I sat down sorted myself.

Phila

I sat there listening to my grandfather lawyer.

Me: so my wife gets 25% in everything I own?

Lawyer: Yes we saving the other 25 for kids but for now you manage it.

Me: What happens in terms of my death?

Lawyer: She gets 75% and the other 25% is for kids managed by her until your kids get to 18.

Me: That reasonable, type out all the paperwork than.

Lawyer: That all

Me: Thank you. Process it and send it over later today and make sure all my estates and all my properties are in her name

Lawyer: You sure?

Me: I love my family but I don't trust that they will treat her the way I want her to be treated if anything was ever to happen to me.

Lawyer: Ill process it.

Me: We getting a home

Lawyer: Want it in her name too?

Me: Yes but state that incase of a divorce we split everything to 25% for her and 75 % for me.

Lawyer: Will have to draw a prenup than and for her to sign.

Me: Cool.

He got up and left. I have faith that this will work I hope that I don't get sidelined

Zibusiso

Meeting the team was heavenly they were warm hearted except for one. Sandiswa. She literally hated me and I could sense it from across the table. I excused everyone and asked her to stay as she rolled her eyes and I closed the door and saw that the staff was watching from far.

Me: Do we have a problem?

I lowered my voice and she looked at me head to toe.

Sandiswa: No

Me: Than the attitude?

Sandiswa: It imaginary!!

I kept quiet and looked at her.

Sandiswa: is there anything else you require from me?

Me: No thanks.

She walked right at me giving me an eye and leave. What beef does she have with me?

I took my things walked to my office found Phila sitting there already with food. I really wasn't in a mood but I smiled and threw myself on the chair.

Phila

She looked beat.

Me: First hour and you look like hell.

Zibusiso: Yeah

She gave me a fake smile and I looked at her.

Me: You know i read somewhere that married couples shouldn't hide they feelings under a fake smile.

She took a deep breath and looked at me.

Zibusiso: I know starting a new job is hard and not everyone will like me but to have someone hate me just like that.

Me: Who hates you?

Zibusiso: Sandiswa!!

I looked at her confused as if that name suppose to mean something to me.

Me: Am lost

Zibusiso: Some girl who is an account for early projects. She hates me and can't hide it.

Me:in an hour you found out that she hates you.

Zibusiso: She does. I saw it in her eyes.

I got up and walked towards her pulled her with a chair near to wear am standing than kneeled down being her level.

Me: You my cup of tea

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that doesn't mean that you will be everyone cup of tea some people are milo drinkers.

She laughed looking at still trying to hold her laughter. At least that got her laughing.

Me: That what I want, your laughter.

Zibusiso: Thank you

Me: I believe thank you in marriages are sealed by a kiss. A lengthy one too.

She giggled as I slowly placed my lips on her as the little guy in my pants started to react. This is it for me, this is my heaven on earth. Iv never felt so alive in my life than when am with her.

Insert 9:

Zibusiso

The past week has flew by so fast and lord I love my husband. We haven't said the magic words to each other but we are in love. I see it in his actions and how he treats me and how he looks after me. Its like am his Queen. I moved in to his Penthouse which has been our home for the past few days and we loving it. I love how he wakes me up with kisses. That has been our thing, a kiss every now and than. It was Saturday and He was taking me to my mother and I was nerves.

Phila: Breathe.

He held my hand in the car as we drove to her home. We parked at the neat house that has flowers all around it and looked like a picture perfect house.

Me: This is beautiful

Phila: She loves gardening

Me: Its shows, her garden is perfect.

He helped me out of the car and i took the basket of goodies I had and Phila took flowers as we walked to the door as it opened and there she stood with tears in her eyes and I broke down with her as she held me tight. I felt her warmth and the

love she has for me overflows from her to me and engulfing me in it sweetness.

Mom: You so beautiful.

We got in and she couldn't keep her hands off me touching me hugging me and kissing me making me blush. She turned to Phila

Mom: Thank you

Phila: I have a surprise for you guys.

We both looked at him as he went to the door and opened it and there stood a man, tall dark and handsome and my mother screamed running to him, throwing herself at him and he held her tight. Kissing her all over.

Phila: Its your dad, he couldn't see her unless you saw her first or the sacrifice they made would have been for nothing.

Me: I love you

He looked at me and smiled.

Phila: I love you more than words could describe.

He side hugged me and kiss my forehead as we watched mom and dad cry and talk at the same time like teenagers.

Sandiswa

Seeing her and knowing she real made my blood boil. Iv loved Phila for years, iv made sure that am a good girl at work so he recognises my work and congratulate me but its like to him I don't exist. Iv made booking arrangements at the same hotel his penthouse is at but we never bump to each other and now here she is living the life that I want. I pressed the buzzer going to they office

i know its close to midnight and no one here but all I need to do is to apply lotion on her chair which will than make him hate her so that the divorce and I have him all to me. I walked slowly to her door and tried to open it but the door was lock. I tried again but to no avail. I went to Lee desk and there was nothing that belongs to her so I tried Phila door and it opened so I quickly went to the elevator going home. I have to call my helper so he can get me something to lotion his chair. It's Saturday night I can come back later tonight. This is proving to be easy. I grinned as I got in the car and drove home.

Phila

The ride home was quiet, watching her with her parents made me love her more, she took her confusion aside and enjoyed the moment with them and embraced herself in the love that they offered in that moment instead of asking to many questions. I loved how she stopped them from explaining things and allowed them to savour this moment.

Me: Am proud of you

She grinned looking at me.

Zibusiso: They lovely people

Me: That love you

Zibusiso: With all they hearts, i saw it ,felt it and embraced it.

We got up to the house and she excused herself going to shower. I poured a glass of whiskey and drowned it than walked to switch on the TV just than Zibusiso walked out looking so shy wearing a black coat and heels.

Me: are you going somewhere? I asked confused cause she had red heels on. She undid her coat and I swear I wasn't ready for what I saw. Her lingerie hugged her and cupped her boobs perfectly. It was full black with pieces of red lace here and there she slowly walked to me as my guy was fully hard and throbbing in my pants as she stood there brushing it making me groan.

Me: Thought you went to nun school

She giggled her innocent giggle and slowly undid my pants and went down on me. Yes a flippen Nun virgin went down on me

her mouth consuming me making me shake out of excitement and shock.

Zibusiso

I have no idea what I was doing but iv been reading a lot and watched videos, yes i watched Vixen porn to see how to seduce him. I read so many articles that say sometimes the sex life get boring due to lack of knowledge so I read a lot and got books that illustrated.

He was shaking and I knew he was near so I moved my lips from there as he picked me up and walked me to the bed where he placed me on the bed and slowly removed my clothes kissing every inch of me nibbling where he could and making me come. Yes I came without him penetrating me and he went in there with his mouth making me moan my head off as he gave me pleasure as I came not once but twice. We were both naked now and my heart was pounding. I saw how gifted he was and I knew it will pain. He had his tip in me as he looked right into my eyes. I closed them.

Phila: Open them please. I did as he roughly pushed in as pain shocked me all over and I gripped him hard scratching his back as he groaned than started moving making me roll my eyes as he brought me closer to the edge with each stroke. I dig my nails into him as I came just as he did spilling himself in me holding me tight as we both ride out the ecstasy of our climax... that how most of my weekend was like, sex and lots of sex with food. I was wearing his top in the kitchen preparing something for us as he walked in naked with his little guy ready for action. I blushed seeing it and he looked at me.

Phila: You took too long.

Me: Am done

He moved closer pinning me to the fridge and lifting my leg up as he slowly entered me making me bit my lower lip.

Phila: Oh shit

He kissed me roughly arousing me while he ravished my insides making me lose my mind. I swear sex is good and especially when you with someone with the same appetite as you. Before I could come he quickly slipped out and bent me over on the floor touching my toes as he spread my legs and entered me fast making me come in that spot as he went deeper invading me and crushing my soul as he planted his seeds groan. He went down taking me with him on the floor taking food with the other hand placing it on the floor as we stayed connected with me on him as we ate in silence. I felt him twitch a few times and grow in me as I turned on him saddling him. I ate the last bits of my fruit salad as he grinned.

Phila: Am sorry

Me: About

He moved going deeper and gripping me making me scream in both in pain and pleasure. I never thought Ill ever love rough sex but here he was gripping my waist hard and making me ride him fast and hard milking him as he kept coming and I exploding until we dropped off the cold kitchen floor exhausted and my Gucci numb, my voice semi hoarse.

Me: I can't walk

Phila: Than ill carry you around. He pulled me closer to him making me turn away from him as he lifted my one leg up and entered me slowly making slow circles making me squirt..

Insert 10:

Zibusiso

To say the past few weeks haven't been amazing its an understatement. I have parents that love and adore me, a husband who worships the ground that I walk on and Lee who has become the best friend that iv always wanted and life have been supper great. It was the morning of my wedding. Yes it been 6 weeks of outmost pleasure. Here i was standing in front of the mirror looking at myself in a big white dress with silver beadings looking as exquisite as I could be and I couldn't stop grinning like a retard.

Somewhere

Me: They getting married today!!!!!

I was panicking.

Sangoma: You stress yourself a lot giving yourself a heart attack... go to the wedding and have fun!!!

I looked at him and looked at my daughter Sandiswa who was fuming.

Me: Trust him, I whispered.

Phila

Iv been flying on top of the world the past few weeks and lord iv been great full. The families both sides have been happy with us and how things are processing. Zibusiso family is reunited and happy and so am I. I stood there by the alter waiting for my loved one the woman that has my heart as the music started for us to celebrate this occasion.

Zibusiso

It like am dreaming as am floating down the steps and the doors opened and the first person I saw was him. He was standing there tall and handsome and grinning like he just won a lucky star lotto. I walked towards him with my father and when we got there Phila kissed me as the pastor told him his skipping right to the end making the crowd laugh. I stood before God and family took my vows and said them than it was his turn to speak.

Phila: Lord has blessed me beyond words. Iv learned to love and to be kind but mostly to embrace the world with a new eyesight. My family arranged this for me years ago and I was skeptical until I laid eyes on her and I lost my ability to speak Zibusiso za ka Mae, you are everything that iv prayed for and more. You live up to your name and bring blessings to my life. You fill up my soul with love but mostly ease. I promise to hold you at your time of need and always be there when you need me.

Pastor: Well he said it better by the power in me, you are now husband and wife in the eyes of the lord. Now you can kiss her.

He held me tight and I closed my eyes as he kissed me senseless with the crowd screaming like crazy.

Sandiswa

Me: dad

Dad: Have patience my child he will be yours soon

Me: Have they done anything? The love portion he gave spilled in my bag.

Dad: Just be patient my child

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that company will be yours and you will be the new Mrs Mae okay!!

I nodded as we went to listen to speeches and ate.

Zibusiso

Mom: You look happy

Me: I am

Mom: than all is well with my soul if you are well.

Phila walked in with a box.

Me: What that?

Phila: I found it outside and it has your name.

Me: Well open it baby

Phila: Its yours babe

I turned from mom helping me with changing clothes and looked at him.

Me: than place it at the side ill look t it later.

He stood there changed in his traditional shirt and opened the box and i saw him get dizzy as I rushed to him. Black smoke was coming out of the box as I took it threw it the side as I looked at him.

Me: talk to me.

His eyes turned red within minutes and in horror i watched blood ooze out of his eyes, ears, nose and mouth and I screamed with mom running towards us.

Me: stop, we been poisoned called an ambulance.

She ran out and i held my husband as he couldn't talk choking in his blood as I cried, i knew I was losing him and I guess he knew it too cause he looked at me as he bleed to death with his blood drenching me as his lifeless body was half on me and I cried. I cried like iv never cried in my life as I felt a warm liquid running out of me and i felt myself getting dizzy while I held on to him for dear life closing his eyes as I knew he was gone. Just like that the most happiest day of my life became the worst day ever!!....

Insert 11:

Zibusiso

I woke up with lights beeping and my dad and mom in the room looking like hell. I looked at them just as the doctor walked in. He looked at me with pity in his eyes.

Me: His gone?

They all looked away as I curled up in a ball as pain shot through my heart and I cried. I cried until they sedated me and woke up hours later to a nurse standing there.

Me: I wanna see him.

I whispered, she never said anything but left the room looking at me with pity. Lee walked in and he was a mess as he stood by the door and i felt fresh set of tears.

Lee: Am so sorry

Me: I want to see him

Lee: You cant move nana

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you just lost a baby.

My head started ringing as I looked at him as he held me. I cried until I couldn't anymore.

Lee: Pray.... just pray... scream at him, swear him turn all your emotions at him, your lord knows what you need.

Me: It hurts.... its hurts so bad.

Lee: I know baby

Me: He left me

Lee: he would never leave you.... they stole him from you.

He held me until I dozed off and woke up a little later with my dad picking me up to see him. There he was sleeping peacefully. Cleaned up and when I touched him he was so cold.

Me: Can I be alone

Dad: No

Me: Please.

He looked at me.

Dad: No

I turned to Phila tracing my finger on his face.

" i love you" I whispered than kissed his forehead and dad picked me up again taking me to my room where i curled up in a ball and silently cried.

Sandiswa

The news of Phila dying shock me to my core where I had a mild heart attack and dad had a stroke. Why did he open a box meant for his wife? Why? Why save her with his own life? I laid on the hospital bed looking at the ceiling as tears rolled down my face. What now? Where too from here?

Lee

The past few days were hell. Zibusiso never spoke to anyone all she did was stay in her room curled up in a ball and silently cry. She hardly ate and was beginning to look like a ghost. Today was the day of the funeral and I had to buy her a size 26 dress than the normal 32 she wore. I helped her in the dress in silence and head wrap and walked her to go see her husband one last time before the ceremony started. There was a small Urn with the baby ashes on the coffin that was going to be buried with him. She looked at him with tears rolling down her face and touched the urn than walked away getting in the car that will take her to the cemetery

1 year later

Lee

Its been a year sincee Zibusiso packed up and left Johannesburg 3 months after her husband abd baby beautiful funeral. No one have heard from her and she liquidated everything into hard core cash after she made sure that every single employee got a job and a retrenchment package that was good. I visited her family every now and than and I could see the pain in her parents eyes of losing a son than now a daughter. Media has been talking about his death till to date and how his wife was left shattered. I walked into the liquor store and froze on my tracks as a sexy bottle sof whiskey was there. "P. M whiskey in loving memory of his love for a shot after a busy day"

"yes girl you got his "i mumbled and right next to it was a cute wine bottle "Zibusise wines"

I took the bottle and ran to the till to pay grinning.

" she finally living life!!!" I mumbled

Cashier: Sorry?

Me: Nothing....

Insert 12:

Zibusiso

I walked around my vineyard at the fence and stood there for a second breathing in the fresh air than turned walking to the house. Its been a hard year, not a day goes by that i dont miss him. They are days that i wake up screaming in the middle of the night, days that I see him taking his last breath. Days were i feel his touch and lips. Days that I can feel his presence. I got in my cosy house in the corner of my vineyard and winery plantation and switched on the lights and there stood a guy with a gun pointed at me and him bleeding from his torso

Him: Am not going to hurt you

I looked at him as he fell to the ground on my living space as I rushed to him putting pressure on the wound. I took off my jacket and wrapped it on him than ran to the kitchen and took out a bottle of vodka that I have as a sample and pour on the wound and I saw the bullet lodged in there

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iv watched chicago med do this a million times am sure I can do it too. So I rushed bathing the tools in alcohol and than did my best and took it out and when I did Washed my weave needle and put cotton on it and sew him up like how I sew a top. I took

his gun with a fork placed it in the drawer than slowly dragged him to the guest room where i open up a pump bed and rolled him on there. I took a warm cloth placed it on his forehead than placed a blanket on him. I took a bucket and mopped the floor of the blood than when done and it looked clean I took a nice long shower changed to my PJ and made tea as a two cop cars pulled up at my door. Something in me said I mustn't say anything as I walked to the door and stood there with my tea.

Police: Hi maam

Me: Hi

Police: We had a shoot out near by we just checking in to see if any of those guys came here? We saw drops of blood in this direction.

Me: feel free to check the perimeter but in an hours time am letting the dogs loose so whatever is out there will be dead in the morning.

Police: Alone?

I looked at him and didn't see a badge number and I knew this is no policeman.

Me: No

He nodded

Police: Well be safe

Me: Thanks.

I watched them back up to they car and left the minute they left I switched on the electric fence and closed the gate than pressed the button to let out the 12 french bull dogs I have as they ran around the whole farm.

Somewhere outside Zibusiso home

"bafo his not here"

We got to the scene and found dead bodies. Its been 2 hours since Thulane been missing and he pressed the panic button that comes to us. When we got here, his guards are dead not to mention sly got a bullet lodged close to his heart and fighting for his life. This is bad.

Me: What does the system say Andile?

Andile: His 4 km away bro

Me: Well let find him.

We walked the short distance to a place with me caring the medical bag and Andile being armed with a gun. We got to huge gates with a sign for dogs. Its only 7 pm and this place is looking like a prison. As if the dogs sensed us 6 big huge dogs barked there as I backed away. I swear my brother has the most dangerous job ever and likes dragging me in it.

Andile: His here

Me: Than his dead... look at those dogs.

Zibusiso

My TV automatically changes to surveillance the minute that

someone stands in fronts of my gate.

I switched on the mic.

Me: You trespassing!!!

Gate

We both jumped at the voice over the speaker it sounded like a

strong male voice.

Me: Uhm hi

Voice: You trespassing!!

Me: We looking for a tall dark guy with with a beard kinda looks

like Jason Durulo but african version. His wearing a camouflage

pants and vest and his muscles are out.

Andile: Seriously Bandile??

Me: How else do we describe him Andile?

There was silence and after some time a tall skinny woman walked out in her Pj as the dogs ran to her and she smiled at them kissing them. She was carrying a short gun on her right and looked harmless but I think she knows how to use it.

Her: Its rude to just show up at a person house without calling.

Andile: You have our brother.

Her: Well you the second batch of people looking for who ever.

Me: Have you seen him?

She looked at us as if assessing us and vouching if we good people or bad.

Her: Ill feed you to my dogs if you do anything funny!!!

Me: We wont.

Her:cool than. Come in.

Me: The dogs?

Her: Won't bite unless I say so

And she pressed something and a small gate opened with the dogs watching us, am going to kill Thulane for this!!!....

Insert 13:

Zibusiso

We we got to my house I took out the boots and wore my morning shoes and looked at the two guys that were so identical as they looked at me.

Me: So how are you related to the guy?

Guy: Older brother.

Me: I see. What his name?

I walked to the wallet I found on him taking his ID out and looked at the guys.

Guy: Thulane Nyathi

Me: You said tall dark guy?

Guy:yep

Me: Well the guy I know ain't dark.

He touched his phone and showed me a picture of the guy sleeping in my guest room and I looked at them than walked over to the passage and there he stood holding his side and a knife. The minute he saw his brothers he relaxed and I stood by the door looking at his brothers smile and help him. I stood there not saying a word as they complimented my stitching

skills and my quick thinking. I kept quiet and looked at them work on they brother giving him a shot of the alcohol they brought. When they were done they looked at him as he had no energy.

Me: I have soup? They all looked at me and one of the twins smiled.

Him: Bandile and my brother here is Andile and you have meet Thulane.

Me: Cool

Thulane: You are?

I looked at him as he looked right at me as if his looking deep into my soul and I felt chills go up my spine breaking the eye contact and shifted.

Me: Ill warm up the soup. Come to the kitchen when you can.

I quickly ran off to the kitchen to warm it up.

Thulane

She looked like a woman haunted and at war with her inner demons. She looked so fragile yet you could see that she could knock you off your feet if she wanted too. She had bright eyes overshadowed by grief and longing. I could see she was a loner

and us being here made her jumpy or made her want to face her demons.

Andile: Your work sucks bro... all your guards are dead. Your friend Sly is in hospital fighting for his life

Me: It was an ambush

Andile: Someone might have figured who you are...

Me: seriously? I can't have that

Bandile: There was a sniper and missy there said people came to look for you.

Me: Than this is an inside job. The smell made my tummy grovel and I could smell the chicken and my brother andile helped me up.

Andile: Ill try and found out what happening.

Me: Thanks and send two guards to look after sly.

Andile: Cool

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We looked around and Bandile was nowhere to be seen we could hear his laughter from the other rooms.

Zibusiso

This guy was a joke. He laughed at his own jokes and was a smooth talker.i was quiet as he did all the talking when his siblings walked in I stood near my shot gun and watched them eat. Thulane kept eying me and I pretended not to notice but I did. A year in a wilderness and to yourself makes you pick up things.

Thulane: Are you not going to eat?

Me: No

Thulane: Skipping meals isn't healthy

Me: I know

He kept quiet and ate with Bandile looking at me.

Bandile: Stay alone?

Me: No

Bandile: Uhm looks like you stay alone.

Me: Heya!!!

And the door busted open as 6 of my dogs ran in the house and stood right in front of me baring they teeth and I watched as Bandile jumped on his brothers.

Thulane: what happens if someone is choking you and you can't call anyone.

Thulane

She kept quiet than patted her dogs telling them good job.

Andile: So you never lock the door?

She looked at us.

Her: When you done eating you can leave the dishes in the sink. And ill walk you out to the gate.

Andile: The car is 4 km away and ...

She looked at him taking her hand towards her necklace and touching something that on her neck a few times.

Me: Thank you for saving my life.

Her: Pleasure

Me: And you are?

She looked at us for some time than whispered.

"zibusiso"

Me: Thank you

She nodded as she clapped her hands and the dogs jogged out and sat by her veranda alert and ready to attack.

Andile: Ill go fetch the car and...

Zibusiso: You can use that.

She pointed to a golf cart

Andile: will bring it back. They helped me to the car as she pressed a button and stood by the door leaning there as of hosting us took all the energy she could master. A part of me wanted to hold her but a part of me kept saying just maybe am reading to much into her situation. I sat there as the car moved as She slowly faded....

Goodnight

Insert 14:

Lee

I know i shouldn't but yes did. I searched where the wine was made and found out the company. It to much of a coincidence to say this is not Zibusiso. I drove to her parents house booked us 3 whole flights to Ceres western cape. And took a deep breath and knocked baba Mseleku was a strict parent and me surprising him like this was too much. The door open and there he stood all ready.

Baba: You still not telling us where we going?

Me: Trust me.

Ma: You found her didn't you?

She asked with tears and I smiled at her.

Me: trust me Ma.

Zibusiso

Today was one of those days were I woke up a bit better. I took a shower and wore my leggings and baggy top. Dished out for my dogs and cleaned they houses and checked the fencing to see if all is well when done the workers started coming

through. As I got to my tiny office and made coffee drinking that and got to paperwork. Lunch time came and I had an apple and worked through to the evening when everyone left I checked the fence again. Walked to the dogs poured water and open they cages for us to walk around the vineyard.

Lee

We were here and had a cab driver driving us there as we were all silent fighting our thoughts as we drove to a remote vineyard.

Driver: You sure this is correct address? There are mostly vineyards here!

Me: Yes. We saw a huge gate and he drove us in there and hit brakes as a tall skinny shadow stood there with 12 dogs. Yes dogs and a gun by her side. She walked closer with her dogs showing teeth.

Her: You trespassing!!!

Driver: Uhmmm

Her parents gasp, one thing about her, she has a voice as smooth as honey no matter how much she hardens it, its smooth.

Me: Zibusiso!!!

She kept quiet and her father jumped off the car and ran to her crushing her delicate body while she stood there not saying anything. When he let go she raised her hand for the dogs to sit down as we got out of the car with our baggage and the driver drove off. Her mom was shaking in one place crying and Zibusiso just stood there awkwardly playing with her chain not knowing what to do. After some time she turned and we all looked at each other following her to a beautiful cosy house popped up. We got in and she turned looking at us with tears.

Zibusiso: How did you find me?

There was anger in her voice and I have no idea what that was doing in there.

Me: I saw your wines and whiskey in his memory

Baba: We missed you ndondakazi

She looked at him with so much anger.

Zibusiso: Ill show you guys where you can sleep and tomorrow morning ill drive you myself to the airport and you can leave.

Ma: Zibusiso!!!

Zibusiso: I don't want you here!!!

That shocked us and I saw her wipe a tear away

Baba: You can't blame us for this...

She laughed a painful laugh.

Zibusiso: I blame you and your stupid beliefs baba... you said we are soul mates!!! His chosen for me by my ancestors and his and what happened when he was marrying me???? Your fucken cousin poisoned him, killing him, killing the only man that accepted me as I am, the man that showed me love without a doubt

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a man who made sure my happiness, my thoughts comes first!

Ma: but

Zibusiso: No buts ma. You left me in an orphanage at young age, an age where a child needs a mother all for what? All for me to only get 6 weeks of happiness? All fore me to lose a child and a husband? All for me to live with a fact that box was meant for me not him? Where were your so called Gods and ancestors when evil was plotting against us? Where were there!!!!

The pain in her voice was too much for me as we stood there shocked and tears rolling down our faces, i did not expect this and so did her parents

Baba: Am sorry

Zibusiso: Your sorry does not wipe away the sleepless nights I have, the life that you two created for me in the name of pleasing elders.

Ma: You hate us!!!

She looked at us and wiped away her tears and stood next to the door as if finding strength.

Zibusiso: I hate how all of this turned out!!

She moved away to the kitchen sink took a class of water and drank.

Baba: Sorry for coming here and letting you relieve your nightmares. I love you Nkosazana and i hope you find it in your heart to forgive us. We did what we believed in and what we thought was right for you, we no Gods and had no idea that the marriage will result in one of you meeting they maker. Am sorry!!!

There was silence as she turned and got out of the house and ran

Zibusiso

I ran to the far end of my yard and cried out loud . I cried out all the pain that i had boiling in me. I cried out of all the anger in

me and after a while I felt strong hands holding me and turned to find my dad holding me tight as I cried.

Dad: Let it all out.

Me: Am sorry

Dad: shhhhh just let it all out love, its okay. I closed my eyes and for the first time ever sense his passing a picture of phila floated in my eyes smiling and that broke me some more as I cried and felt lighter.

Me: Am so sorry dad

Dad: You grieving!!! Its okay baby you just grieving!!!

Insert 15:

Thulane

The past week iv been thinking about her, the way she looked haunted and how she was quick to want to be alone.

Something at me kept on pushing me towards her.

Bandile: you have that look again

Me: what look?

Bandile: the something is bothering me look.

I closed the estate books and walked to the corner and pour myself a shot of whiskey.

Me: The woman next door

Bandile: Its not really next door when you have 30 hectares of land separating you

Me: Am not a good neighbour

Bandile: That and you have your plate full. Managing an estate and 5 companies is no child play

Me: But there is something about her...

Bandile: Let me go before you start about your spiritual stuff

Me: Its not spiritual

Bandile: I know you.

I stood by the window looking out to the 350 hectares of land that I own and how I found tunnels underground for drug gangs moving they drugs and the storeroom that I have of drugs that I have no idea who they belong too. If I call cops that me signing my death warrant for whoever to kill me as they have attempted. What now!!!

Zibusiso

The past week has been fun having Lee and my parents here. Mom made sure I ate and left me with so much groceries. Dad made me promise to visit and mom to call daily and of cause lee who promised to visit soon. Today was a good day, i ate all my meals and exercised and now I was cleaning when I found his gun and wallet. I went through it and found a business card. "kuthule farm and estate" i saw the address and punched it on my phone telling me its a 6 min drive to it so I washed my hands took the gun too and went to my car. Got in and pressed the cage button for the dogs to be out as i drove off to his place. I got there it was around 7:30 and parked at the huge white mansion. I hit a buzzer and one of the twins opened the door. I figured it was the talkative one because he smiled.

Me: Hi

Him: Thulane!!!!!! Guest!!!!

He grinned and I stood there with his gun and wallet. What kind of a man that doesn't realise that they wallet is missing. He jogged to the door and stood there this time looking good. Fresh And clean.

Me: You left these.

I handed them over to him and I stood there as he took it and smiled.

Thulane: Why don't you come in

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our chef makes the best pork belly. Come through. I looked at him as he moved to the side and I walked in the most beautiful homely house.

Me: This is beautiful.

Thulane

I watched her eyes sparkle and I smiled. She looked so animated like a cartoon character. Its like she forgot that we were there as she slowly walked around the house looking at it and touching the architecture of the house. She turned and like she remembered she is a guest.

Zibusiso: Its beautiful, the way they captured the victorian architecture mixing it with Morden times

Me: You know your art.

She blushed and I walked her to the dinning area where my brothers sat and we dishes out.

Me: You new around here

Zibusiso: Its been a year.

Me: Loving it?

Zibusiso: Challenging but good

Andile: What you produce?

Zibusiso: Wines and whiskey

Bandile grinned.

Bandile: Please don't tell me that Zibusise wines is yours??

She grinned and I was mesmerised by her beauty and how she had dimples cute ones too.

Bandile: You kidding me.

Zibusiso: Am the wine.

They both laughed and Andile looked at her.

Andile: And the Whiskey?

I saw her face changed and eyes get glassy.

Zibusiso: P.M whiskey

I dropped the spoon as my brothers looked at me and I cleared my throat and looked at my food.

Bandile: Sorry for your lost.

She nodded and placed her spoon on the side i think losing her appetite.

Zibusiso: Thanks for having me over, i think I should leave.

She got up and my brothers looked at me as she walked away closing the door.behind her.

Bandile: She is Philasande wife!!!

I got up leaving them there as I disappeared to my room....

Insert 16:

Thulane

The door busted open and I looked at the twins.

Me: Not today guys

Bandile: We haven't even said anything to you

Me: I know what you want to say

Andile: But...

Me: No buts

Bandile: its been a fucken year since you been raving about this guy who tormenting your dreams asking you to go to his wife and all this time she was right next door!!!

Me: I said not now!!!

Bandile: I really don't believe in this spiritual stuff but she is right next door!!!

I kept quiet.

Andile: You first dreamt the guy bleeding to death and a woman screaming but you couldn't put a face to him until he was dead. We were woken up by your screams for months.

Bandile: Than you had a box of Zibusise wines sent to you buy mistake, i think that wasn't a mistake!!!

Andile: Than the guy started visiting you every now and than asking you to bring peace to his grieving wife.

Bandile: Two weeks ago he told you his name. And you literally went on a hunt looking for a guy called Philasande who died of unnatural causes. And you have PI looking into this bra he even broke all the whiskeys in our home giving you signs and you know what the healer said.

Me: i need to lie down.

Bandile: you cant cheat destiny

Me: am not about to be in a competition with a dead man

Bandile: a dead man that gives you his blessings to be with his wife not many people get to that.

Me: he is still a dead man that ill be competing with. You saw how she broke down by just talking about him.

Andile: he did say help her heal, she breaking down because she hasn't healed.

Me: but

Bandile: i swear at some point of the night when you wake up screaming and kicking i really thought you going crazy but

now.... now I don't think so bro. Now i truly believe that you and this lady need to talk this out and see what happening. Go to a healer that both of you don't know and just hear him out or else.

I looked at him.

Andile: you know what that Sangoma said!!!

They really were making sense but who do i attend this? I just rock up to her and say "hey your dead husband says we should marry?" Or "hi, i heard your screams the day your husband died and..." and what? How does one even start this conversation with a fragile soul like her? I left them standing there and got to my car and drove. I drove and found myself parking next fo her on the side road. My heart was pounding as i jumped out and walked over to see her by the green grass curled up in a ball and crying. The pain in her voice was too much. It moved me to tears, i laid down behind her and curled her up as she cried. It felt like hours and when she felt better she moved a bit and i let her be as she got up and crossed her hands on her chest.

Zibusiso: Am fine.

Me:okay.

I moved to her car took the key out and closed the doors and took my van to the front and parked it taking a rope tide it at

my back and tide it on her car. She said nothing as i open the passenger side picked her up placed her in the car than started mines and drove to her house.

Zibusiso: You shouldn't have am fine.

She had a cracked voice and everything came as a whisper. I ignored her as I drove to her house parked by the gate took her keys pressed the gate to open as her dogs came through and I slowly drove to her home. Got there and looked at her. She had her eyes closed so I sat there with her.

Me: Tell me about him?

Well they say talking about it helps so this is me helping her i guess. She kept quiet and i started to think she will never say anything but she eventually spoke with a shaking voice.

Zibusiso: A gentleman he was funny and very humours. He loved me dearly and never feared to show me or the world that his world evolves around me.

She had her eyes closed and looked like she was at peace as she played with what looked like a ring on her neck and has tears rolling down from the corners of here eyes.

Zibusiso: He always put me first and laughed like every laugh was the last draw of his breathing. He loved saying "Apparently" that was just his ice breaker for whatever stupid thing he will say.

She kept quiet wiping the tears from her eyes.

Zibusiso: we were literally everywhere together from work to out of work. Me: what happened?

She looked at me and wiped her face.

Zibusiso: thanks for the ride. Am good now! She shifted moving the belt and took her keys with shaking hands. I held them and felt a jolt of electricity all over me as she looked at me than moved her hand looking away as a gasp came out of her mouth. I watched her over the mirror , she was crying.

Me: I cant begin to explain away your pain but I get you. I get you and what you been through and it okay to grieve. Its okay to scream and shout and yell but its not okay to lose yourself in it too.

She looked at me with tears in her eyes rolling down her face.

Zibusiso: Without him am just reminded that am a girl that grew up in an orphanage without a family, without a place to belong to, without a place to create memories and without a chance of getting my own family one day. My dreams died with him!!!

That shattered me, to her no man can ever amount to him. He made her whole !!!...

Insert 17:

Zibusiso

I watched him unhook my car and my dogs were jumping next to him like his family and when his done he made sure it locked. He than stood in front of me not knowing what to say or do.

Me: Thanks for driving me

Thulane: Its a pleasure.

I kept quiet and he looked at me as if he wants to say something but kept quiet.

Me: Tea or coffee?

Thulane: Water please.

We got in and i poured him a glass while I made tea. In a way he made me comfortable as exhausted as I was.

I sat by the couch and drank my tea while he stood there looking around my lounge.

Me: Its small

Thulane: Cosy

I smiled and took a sip slowly closing my eyes letting it overwhelm me.

Thulane: well let me leave....

The dogs went crazy as I jumped out of the couch and grabbed my gun with Thulane holding his as we both ran towards were there is screams and my dogs attacking. My heart was beating so hard and when we got there my dog had his teeth deep in on person and the other two chasing the other one.

Thulane: I got the other one.

I showed a light on his face to a young boy who wasn't even 16 if am not mistaken. I calmed my dog down and looked at the little fella.

Me: Your name?

He looked at me terrified and in pain

Me: i can set the dog free you know.

Him: Fiso

Me: Cool Fiso... get up and follow me, run and they will run after you. He nodded holding his shoulder as I walked to my porch and helped him outside cleaning his wounds and two minutes later Thulane came with 3 more guys one of them looking like the young guy am helping and the other two were siblings. The other two were scratched by the dogs and the other one had a massive bite on his leg. I finished up with Fiso and cleaned his wound placing a plaster and giving him a shot.

Thulane

I watched as she calmly fixed them up and when she was done all her dogs came to her barring teeth and she patted them telling them good job and giving them a treat.

Zibusiso: I already know Fiso.

The other guys looked at the younger guy as he looked away.

Zibusiso: Now tell me your names.

The oldest of them all looked stubborn.

Him: If we don't want too?

She turned and looked at them.

Zibusiso: Well goodluck leaving.

She turned to her dog and said" guard " and they all disappeared.

The fear in they eyes as they rattled they names. I think i need dogs too.

Zibusiso: So what up? In my yard after 8pm?

Axole: We here to apply for a job!!!

She turned and looked at them.

Zibusiso: I really dont mind placing a bullet in your forehead and feeding you to my dogs. Now let try this again.

Zibusiso: What up?

I swear i wanted to laugh but I didn't. Have you ever been threatened by a calm sweet woman yet the words coming out of her lips are hard core?

Fiso: They asked us to open the sewer.

Axole: Fisokuhle!!!

Me: Who?

Fiso: The Kida cartel!!

My blood froze

Me: Why?

Fiso: They never said why!!

Me: Well let go open up the sewer than.

Zibusiso

Well Thulane is in charge now he seems to know this kida cartel as we got in the golf carts and drove to the sewer at the end of the fence where The sewer was and the guys opened it and I looked in and iv never seen so many drugs in my life.

Thulane: Do you know where this tunnel goes?

Axole: What in it for us?

Thulane: Just be grateful you alive

Axole: its connects to the other farm that side

Thulane: The estate?

Fiso: yep

Me: We need to call the cops

Thulane: Yeah, i have a friend who might help with this.

Axole: Please don't

Its the first time since iv seen him be remorseful.

Me: Actions have consequences

Axole: Easier for you to say when you driving a million dollar car.

Me: Am not about to argue with a kid!!!

Axole: Because you know am right!!

I looked at him like really did and smiled.

Me: You the genius here, straight A student, have his life figured out but life is hard so the man that targeted you knew your situation and used it against you. And you being the

breadwinner at home thought" hey this is easy money" got your little brother and your best friend and his little brother to do this for a quick buck? Stop me if am wrong!!!

They all looked down.

Me: I didn't think so, well son, as smart as you think you are

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you never calculated the dogs right? The guy told you its just a woman staying there but never mention the 6 feet tall guy you staring at and the dogs?

Fiso: he said you always asleep at 8

Me: Bummer!!! Am up today.

I looked at Axole and he looked like the weight of the world is on his shoulders.

Thulane took his phone and started calling as I looked at the kids.

Me: did you guys eat?

The older ones shock yes while the younger ones said no.

Me: Get in the car. They did and I signalled to thulane that am leaving and he nodded. Got in the kitchen made them all sandwiches and juice, thank God for mom shopping. They ate like crazy as Thulane walked in signalled for me to talk.

Thulane: His on his way with a team.

Me: Cool

Thulane: what you going to do with them?

Me: Keep them out of this, say I found out about it.

Thulane: Sure.

Me: Thanks.

Thulane: No problem.

I walked back to the kitchen found them done.

Me: Am going to need your parents numbers.

They all looked scared.

Me: Its either its your parents or the cops.

Fiso: We have no parents!!

Axole: Fisokuhle!!!

Me: Every child has a parent

Axole: Not us, it just us!!!

I looked at them and looked at Fiso and Sihle holding they hands. I moved sihle hat and saw she was a girl.

Me: Where you stay than.

Fiso: a shack...

Axole: Shut up!!

I looked at the other guy. Axole looked 18, lunga around 16 and fiso around 13 and sihle looked 9.

Me: Well we going to the shack than.

Fiso: Its too far.

Me: Ill drive

Thulane: How about we give them a room for the night than in the morning we tackle that.

Me: makes sense.

I walked them to the guest room.

Me: The guys will sleep here and ill sleep with Sihle.

Axole: We never sleep apart.

Me: My house, my rules young man.

Axole: than we not sleeping here.

I looked at him.

Me: We just next door.

Axole: the bed is big enough for all of us, we will manage.

He took her and they walked to the bed and I stood there looking at them as two slept the other direction and two the other direction.

Me: you can go in the blanket.

Axole: We got it, thanks.

I backed away from them and closed the door.

Thulane: You okay?

I nodded as I went to clean in the kitchen.

Thulane: ill wait for the team and go afterwards.

Me: Ill wait with you...

Insert 18:

Thulane

By the time the team came processed the crime and did everything Zibusiso was fast asleep.

Sphiwe: We have to close the farm up for a few weeks as we study the tunnels.

Me: Cool

Sphiwe: This is a big case

Me: I know

Sphiwe: ill need you guys to be able to testify if ever push comes to shove and Ill send a sketch artist to draw up the cops that came looking for you and you tell us about your attack.

Me: you will find us at my home.

Sphiwe: Cool let set up the ground work and ill need all her employees files they involved in this.

Me: Cool in the morning she will give you.

Sphiwe: Thanks. He left and I went to the house and found her still sleeping on the couch. I went and picked her up and went in her room and placed her in her bed as she curled up and slept. I went to the room were the kids are sleeping and stood there by the door found the oldest one up.

Me: You good?

Axole: There are cops outside

Me: Just processing the crime.

He kept quiet and looked at me.

Me: Go back to sleep okay.

Axole: Thanks

Me: for?

Axole: Not shooting us when we ran.

Me: Next time never run and leave your brother behind no matter what chasing you.

Axole: I was going to come back.

I nodded closed the door and went to her room and stood there. She had so many rooms but only furniture 4 rooms, the guest room, her room and the lounge and kitchen. The rest of the rooms had boxes of things. I guess she never got to it. I took out my shoes and got to her bed next to her and slept.

Zibusiso

I woke up to find myself cuddled up and big eyes looking at me at the door. From being a loner to a bed of a heavy man and a kid standing there looking at me. I slowly got out and walked towards Sihle and got out of my room.

Me: You hungry?

She nodded and I went with her to the kitchen and made us omelette and toast with butter and juice as she ate. Fiso walked in grinned at the food and sat next to sihle and ate. Than Langa got in as shy as ever mumbled a greeting and sat there and ate. Finally Axole walked in and everyone looked at him as he kissed them all they foreheads and greeted as he sat as i dishes out they food and they ate in silence when done I saw Thulane drag himself in and greet as he sat down I poured him a glass of water which he smiled too and drank before he dig in. I guess his more like my father who prefers water in the mornings.

Me: Slept well?

Thulane: Yes, thanks

Me: Kids?

Fiso: Yes

Sihle: Your bed is better than the floor.

His siblings stopped and looked at her. She had a calm voice, as ladylike as they come.

Sihle: She knows am a girl nje!!!... i can speak now!!!

Langa: Not today sihle

She showed her brother a face and drank her juice.

Me: we driving to your home.

Axole: We will figure our way there

thanks

Me: I don't remember asking you Axole.

Fiso: We don't have enough taxi fair Axole!!!

I saw him get angry and give his brother a face as he kept quiet.

Thulane: Axole can we talk in private please!!!

He got up and he followed him.

I looked at the kids.

Me: Want some more? They nodded.

Langa: Mind if I save mines for later. Put it in a plastic bag please.

Me: Have one more and ill make you one for later too

Thulane

We stood outside and I looked at him.

Me: Talk to me?

There something about him that makes me want to protect him.

Axole: Nothing

Me: I cant help if you don't talk.

He kept quiet thinking it through and looked at me with glassy eyes.

Axole: We live in a water pipe.

I looked at him thinking his joking but he was dead serious.

Me: Explain please.

Axole: My mom and her sister kicked us out when i used to complain that they bring in too many men into the shack house we had and Sihle almost got raped but they were too drunk or high to understand so i took my siblings and left with them. So now we live at the water pipes near the river.

Me: How long

Axole: Been a year. Am done with exams now, ill pass register for varsity and funding and get my siblings a home. This was us doing it so we can get shelter.

Me: Which was stupid of you.

Axole: I know its been two days of no food and they were hungry.

Me: Why trust me with all of this.

Axole: You could have shot us last night but you didn't, could have arrested us but you didn't.

I kept quiet for a second cause I know I cant drive them to a pipe.

Me: Ill drive you there to take all the important belonging with you.

He lifted his top sellotaped to him was all his and his siblings important documents and a small key.

Me: What does it open?

Axole: a locker at the community hall where we put our books and uniform.

Me: I see, go in there and eat and sit with your siblings will you. He nodded and went and I signalled to Zibusiso to talk and she excused herself and looked at me worried.

Zibusiso: Sorry i dozed off last night.

Me: Its okay

Now how do I tell her my idea.

Me: Uhm, DEA says they need the place for a few weeks for an investigation.

Zibusiso: i figured they might.

Me: So you will need to move put while they do so.

Zibusiso: Oh

Me: Yes and am near, my home next to yours and they will need you at some point so you can crash there for a while. She looked at me confused.

Zibusiso: Stay at your home?

Me: Its huge and you won't even know we there.

She looked at me folding her arms showing tiny perfect boobs.

Me: I promise ill be a good house host.

Zibusiso: I don't know how to answer that

Me: A simple yes will do.

She nodded and I smiled with excitement.

Me: Another issue is the kids.

Zibusiso: What about them.

Me: Well we found them together and am sure the Kida Cartel will look for them so I think its safe that you and I take care of them.

She looked at me as if reading me than looked away.

Zibusiso: You okay with hosting me and the kids?

Me: Yes

Zibusiso: You sure? I can get us a place to crash at until i figure

it out.

Me: Am okay.

Zibusiso: Than ill pack. You can go with the boys and ill stay

with Sihle.

Me: If Axole agrees

Zibusiso: He trust you more than me. He will.

If only she knew that his lack of trust in woman is based on his experience with his mom and aunt. I nodded went to finish the food feeling lighter I looked at the corner of the kitchen and I swear I saw Philasande smile at me and I closed my eyes and open them again to see that no one is there...

Insert 19:

Thulane

We waited for Zibusiso to pack up a few things and i took the chance to tell Axole that we using two cars and sihle can ride with Zibusiso.

Axole: we stick together always

Me: i know but she will be driving the other car.

Axole: i can ride with her and you can ride with the kids.

I looked at him and he nodded sure and i helped the kids in the truck than drove off.

Zibusiso

I finished packing and than pressed the button for the dogs to come through and I dished up for them waiting for them to finish eating while Axole stood very far. When they were done i whistled for them to go back to the play section and closed the cage than turned to Axole.

Me: you can get in the car

He got in and i did too and drove off just as cops got in.

Me: so why you hate me?

He looked at me than looked ahead

Axole: i dont hate you

Me: your attitude says otherwise

Axole: sorry

Me: its cool. Well i was thinking if you dont mind staying with

us for a few days until we figure out what next.

He kept quiet and looked at me.

Axole: all four of us?

Me: yes

Axole: one room?

Me: Sihle is a girl

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you know that right.

Axole: i know

Me: at times me and her will want to do girly things things that will bore you and the guys.

Axole: but she sleeps with us

Me: i wont rape her if that what you worried about.

Axole: i know but we sleep together always that just how it is.

I nodded.

Axole: is he your boyfriend?

That took me off guard

Me: no

He kept quiet and looked outside than looked at me.

Axole; if he isn't your boyfriend than what was he doing at your place at 9 pm and why are we going to his house? His taking you and 4 extra mouths to feed!!!

I looked at the genius.

Me: what you want to be when you grow up?

Axole: you changing the subject.

Me: his a friend.

Axole: that takes care of you like how a boyfriend takes care of

his girl.

Me: what you know about relationships

He smiled and it looked good on him.

Axole: a-lot

Me: you have one?

He kept quiet and looked at me.

Axole: girls dont date guys like you.

Me: what? Smart guys? Kind guys? Guys who take care of they own? Or you mean handsome guys?

He blushed.

Axole: you know what I mean.

Me: if they don't see what i see when i see you than they not worth your time son.

He looked at me grinning and he looked ahead content with my answer. We drove and when the house got in view i saw him get uncomfortable.

Axole: We dont belong here.

Me:says who?

He looked at the house than he looked at me and I saw fear in his eyes.

Me: if you feel uncomfortable at any point tell me and i promise we packing and leaving but dont say you don't belong here just because someone once said that to you.

Axole: what if we break something.

Me: than we will buy it again. Come help me with things.

Thulane

The kids were in the car waiting for Axole. The minute they saw him they ran to him and i heard them whisper

"we can go in?"

Axole: dont break anything please

Fiso: so they good people?

Lunga: yes but dont break anything

Sihle: am I a boy or girl today.

Lunga: be you smarty pants and dont break anything please.

Me: okay guys come closer here is the plan.

They looked at me and i saw Zibusiso smile and that made me smile.

Me: we washing our faces... than grab a quick snack and off we go for some shopping.

Sihle: shopping?

Fiso: clothes or food?

Me: both

Lunga: our clothes?

Me: yep

They ran to the outside tap washed they face and looked at me.

Sihle: we done.

Me: nope that not how we do it here, come on in and ill show

you your rooms.

Axole: rooms?

Me: yes rooms

Axole: we all getting our own rooms?

Me: yes

He looked at Zibusiso who nodded at him than he looked at me and shrugged. Its going to be a long journey.

Insert 20:

Zibusiso

They ran with him and I walked as Andile came to me. His the shy quiet one.

Andile: want help.

I nodded giving him my one bag as we slowly walked in.

Andile: uhm, i know he hasn't said anything to you and I know its not my place to say anything but thanks.

I looked at him confused.

Me: For?

Andile: one day it will make sense what am thanking you for

I kept quiet as he walked me over to room that was for a queen. Iv never seen a room so huge.

Me: how many rooms this house have?

Andile: working rooms its about 54 and about 30 that are not working.

Me: a mansion

Andile: he says we will never know when we need space. He silently slipped out and i went to the bathroom took a shower

and when done i changed to a legging and sneakers and a baggy top. I took my phone and left. I found them in his G-Wagon waiting for me patiently. They were silent but you could see the excitement in they eyes. I saw he gave them his tops and sihle was still in her clothes. I smiled at her and ruffled Fiso hair.

Me: you guys ready?

They nodded and Thulane started driving

Axole

It was like i was dreaming when we walked in at Woolworths and she literally kept pulling up clothes. Its like she was born for this. Starting with me giving me things I should try on and instructing Bhuti Thulane to go with me to the change room and make sure the clothes fix. She brought me more than 30 pants and socks and tops and T-shirts and tops and caps and shoes it was like Christmas came early. There were four ladies helping us as she moved to Sihle. Iv never seen her smile that much as she was trying on shoes and handbags. When they were done we went to the till and when the lady was done she looked at Thulane and Zibusiso.

Cashier: That will be 42000

I watched my siblings mouth form an O

cashier: Credit or cash?

Bhuti T: Cash

Fiso: Cash as in you have that money in your pocket?

I pinched him.

Fiso: Ungicwebe lani bafo????

Zibusiso smiled as they both took out they cards.

Bhuti T: i got this

Zibusiso: Oh

He swiped the card

Sihle: Before we leave, angithi we not bringing back these

clothes?

Zibusiso walked closer to her and bent to her level.

Zibusiso: Its ours!!!

Sihle: For ever?

Zibusiso: Yes babe

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forever. You know what let wear them now.

She looked at the assistant who nodded and walked us to a fitting room where they allowed us to pick what we want to

wear and we did putting all the old stuff in one packet and we left looking hot. After there she walked us to legends barbershop and Lunga and Fiso did a brush since they at lower grades and I did a brush cut with the side line and I swear I looked hot.

We than walked them to he salon were we spent hours getting Sihle hair done and after they washed her horrible hair and blow it and braided it she looked like a girl. The grin on her face was priceless as she and Zibusiso did straight backs.

Bhuti T: Am starving

Sihle: Are we going to kfc

Fiso: seriously bra you want kfc when we have options now.

Zibusiso: If she wants kfc we can get it.

Bhuti: Let do this we will do drive thru... kfc, mac D and nandos... is that okay?

Fiso: Can we get ice cream too?

Bhuti: how about we shop for groceries than go to drive thru.

Zibusiso nodded.

In all my life iv never brought 4 trollies worth of food. They allowed us to get anything and everything we wanted and crave. Sihle was holding a huge teddy bear with a grin... fiso

walked out of the mall with a bike. Lunga and I had cellphones and they got me a laptop. When the cashier said 52000 i nearly fainted as she took out her card after fighting with Bhuti T who wanted to pay but she insisted until he gave in and we walked out to the car and packed everything. By the time we were done and heading to his house i was beyond exhausted.

Me: Thank you for today.

I looked at my siblings sleeping and i wiped a tear since they can't see me.

Zibusiso: Axole

Me: yes

Zibusiso: thank you for an eventful day, iv never had so much fun in like forever.

I smiled, she always had a way of making me feel comfortable in an uncomfortable position. I smiled and ate my ice cream.

Insert 21:

Thulane

Iv never been so exhausted in my life but it was all worth it as we set things right in the kitchen since the stuff knocks off at 5. When done with Axole help, the kids sleeping i dished out.

Axole: Ill go wake them.

Zibusiso: Let them be, ill leave it in the warmer for them.

He sat down and we ate with my brothers cracking jokes.

Axole: so you sure you not dating?

That came out of nowhere and I looked at my food while Zibusiso played with her chicken.

Bandile: the kid is asking a valid question.

Zibusiso: We spoke about this in the car Axole.

Axole: i know but i wanna hear bhuti T side

I laughed

Me: am Bhuti T?

He smiled shyly.

Me: that adult stuff

Axole: well you make a good couple and good parents.

Me: You only been with us for a day.

Axole: And you had so many opportunities to chase us away but you didn't but instead Sis Zi did a matching hairstyle with Sihle, spoilt us rotten and now you sitting here sharing jokes. I think you guys are a couple but dont know it yet!!!

I laughed and looked at the smarty pants.

Me: How can we not know it?

Axole: Its called body language

Bandile: Aw sukha nini madoda batshele mfana wamie!!(you tell them boy!!)

Axole: Your bodies are sending vibes to each other. When she takes a piece of the spicy wing you (pointing at me) always bring the none spicy wings closer and she takes it after the spicy one to balance it.

Me: that just normal

Axole: before we ate she took out a glass of water and poured it for you and you drank it no questions asked.

Zibusiso: he told me he prefers water first

Axole: when?

She kept quiet because i never really told her, she figured it out.

Axole: earlier at the shop, when she picks something she looks at you and you give a thumps up and when you dont she puts it back. Meaning she trust your judgement and vice versa when Sihle asked you (he pointed at me) for something you looked at her and she nodded.

This kid is beyond smart.

Me: well right now we both going to agree that you tired and reading to much to things and go to bed and go to your room!!!

He got up smiling and stopped looking at us.

Axole: thanks for today, i really appreciate it.

Zibusiso: are you too old for goodnight kisses?

He grinned and dragged himself to her as she kissed him all over and he laughed saying stop while laughing. When he was gone Bandile laughed and we looked at him.

Bandile: kid got a point though

I got up and looked at Zibusiso who got up too making the twins laugh.

Zibusiso

I walked in my room and closed the door with Thulane next to me

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we sat on the huge bed and looked up the ceiling.

Me: thank you for today, iv never had so much fun in my life.

Thulane: exhausting fun?

Me: yeah

We kept quiet and i turned looked at him. He was really handsome and kind, sweet yet tough too. Loving yet stern and disciplined. He turned looking at me.

Thulane: about what Axole said.

Me: its okay

Thulane: no listen to me.

I looked at him and looked into his eyes and felt that feeling again and he smiled.

Me: you making me nervous

Thulane: not my intention.

Me: what on your mind?

Thulane: i dont wanna spoil today for you

Me: than let speak tomorrow

Thulane: will it be too much if I ask to crash here with you?

I looked at him for a second.

Me: you like me?

I caught him off guard i guess but he handled himself.

Thulane: more than that.

Me: I can't

Thulane: Am not asking for much, just give me your time that all.

I moved from him looking at him.

Me: Am broken beyond repairs. Thulane: I can take that

I looked at him as he looked at me too.

Me:Am not over my husband death, his presence or his love for me. Am not over what I went through, am not

He kissed me and I kissed him back. I really have no idea what happened but clothes were flying everywhere as he ravished my lips kissing me all over awakening things that iv thought long died with Phila and the funny part was, i kissed him back and loved every moment of his hands all over me and his lips in mines.....

Insert 22:

Zibusiso

I was completely naked and so was he as he went down on me making me shake with an orgasm. He hovered on me and kept quiet as I looked right into his eyes as he slowly entered me making me moan with pleasure as he slowly brought me to pleasure over and over again when he was near he went faster making me arch my back as he spilled his seeds in me as I held him tight until we both were calmer. I kept quiet as he laid on me not heavy at all.

Thulane: You okay?

He mumbled with his breath on my neck.

Me: Yes

He kept quiet for some time as I felt him starting to grow in me again and I shifted and that gave him more room to go deeper making me moan as he adjusted us as he slowly started making love to me. In all my life iv never experienced something so intense as he stared right at me as if he was loving my soul. I closed my eyes for a second and he stopped and when I looked right at him he continued to slowly build up the tension in me.

Thulane

I saw her eyes get glassy and I knew she was crying so I stopped.

Zibusiso

Thulane: You okay

Me: Don't stop please

Thulane: Tell me you okay?

Thulane

She looked at me and kissed me lightly and this kiss felt different as I felt myself spin as I slowly moved giving her my soul as she gave me hers as we came as one but didn't stop riding out the climax. As i lay on the bed with her on top. Somehow things felt different, lighter and I felt at ease with her in my hands. I closed my eyes and I saw him grinning as he slowly drifted into smoke.

Zibusiso

For a first time in a year I felt lighter and more calmer and at ease with myself and my soul. I felt connected to Thulane in

ways I couldn't understand nor explain. I know i should be feeling guilty for sleeping with him or for betraying Philasande love but I didn't. I knew deep down in my heart there is a place for him as my first love but right now I was feeling something for Thulane and that scared me but I kept quiet telling myself if loving him or accepting him is part of my healing than so be it. I felt him grow again and I laughed as I shifted saddling him as he looked right at me looking lighter

Me: You have an appetite?

Thulane: That what happens when dessert looks good. He held my hips and slowly moved me making me release juices that I never knew I had, that excited him making him move me more harder as I let go as i went crazy on him. He held me tight as the pleasure shocked me to my core as I rode it out on him making him groan and that gave me ompf that am doing something right as I screamed out his name collapsing with an orgasm that shocked us both to the core. When our breathing got more stable he kissed my forehead as I snuggled closer to him as that what we did all night, him waking me up every now and than awakening me and loving me all night. Around 4 am i went to pee and I found myself sucking him waking him up as I saw the shock on his face as he closed his eyes in pleasure when he was near I saddled him and milked him going faster as orgasms hit me harder than before riding it out with him as he got rougher

making me squirt all over him and held me to sleep and I slept like a log.

Axole

I woke up for breakfast to find everyone at breakfast but Thulane and Zibusiso so I kept quiet and ate. Bhuti T walked in his pants only and took two plates and took out a bit of everything after greeting us. I saw some red marks on his back and looked at him, he looked good.

Fiso: Is sisi Zi okay?

Bhuti T: she having breakfast in bed

Sihle: Why?

He turned red and smiled

Bhuti T: Because she tired.

Sihle: Didn't she sleep?

The two uncles laughed and looked at him. He looked happier and lighter and jolly.

Bhuti T: She did, now Axole you set up your laptop so you can apply for school

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lunga will go fetch your books and uniform at the locker so Janny can see if you need new one or not, with uncle Andile and Fiso, no riding that bike off the gate.

Sihle: I want sisi Zi, she said we doing manicure today

Bhuti T: When she up okay!!

Sible nodded and he looked at me and looked away turning his back at us pouring juice. Fiso: Do you have cats bhuti T?

He turned confused looking at Fiso Bhuti T: Nope

Fiso: Well i was once scratched by a cat and the marks on your back look like them. He turned red as the uncles laughed they head off as he left. Only when he left my mind got it, did they just get freaky? And if yes does it mean they will get married and if they do will they adopt us? I closed my eyes and prayed harder for God to bless us with them being our parents and when I looked at my siblings and looked down, i turned to find them with they eyes closed and open them when i said Amen.

Sihle: I hope you prayed for what in my heart.

Me: The lord always know what in our hearts and when we pray he answers that too.

Sihle: You got our certificates with you?

Lunga: Nosihle!! Sihle: Am just asking Mtase yoh!!!...

Insert 23:

Zibusiso

I rolled to him looking at me.

Me: my dogs

Thulane: Good Morning to you too

I closed my eyes and felt his kisses on me nd looked at him

grinning.

Me: Hi

Thulane: sphiwe already feed your dogs, his a dog person.

Me: oh.

He rolled me into my back and kissed me as I shifted opening for him as he slowly slid in marking me moan.

Me: GoodMorning

He groaned as he shifted a bit and I smiled at him. While he slowly made love to me making me come twice. He than shifted with me flipping me to a reverse cow girl and I rode him with him groaning as I squirted with each stroke vibrating as I came with him. He didn't want me to disconnect from him so he turned me to the side with him in me and cuddled me.

Thulane: You okay?

Me: Yes

We were quiet and I could feel he was thinking.

Me: No regrets

And some how he felt less tense as I arched my back for him to go deeper and he did flipping me to stomach and roughly rode me hitting my G spot making me lose my manners as I came all over him hearing him groan I knew he was near as he did circles on me making me roll my toes and I swear I heard him say " holy shit" as he shoved into me hard and fast making me spill more of my juices on him as we both collapsed.

Somewhere in Cape Town

" what you mean the drugs are with the police?"

I looked at Zolani

Zolani: I think the kids we trusted got caught

"you hired kids to do a mans job?"

Zolani: They.....

" find them and bring them here !!!

He left as I picked up my phone calling Columbia that ill be delayed.

Zibusiso

We finally got off bed and took a long bath and when I walked out of the shower with Thulane I found Fiso and Sihle in the room looking around and I froze cause clothes were everywhere. Just than Axole ran in and saw us in towels.

Sihle: You okay sisi Zi

Me: Yes

Sihle: Its almost lunch time and I never saw you so I asked Fiso to come with me into your room.

Me: Am good baby

Fiso: Did you bath together?

Thulane: The room have two showers

Axole was so embarrassed.

Me: Let me get dressed than III come see you Sihle.

Axole: Guys, i told you about knocking

Fiso: We did but they were giggling in the shower so we went in.

I was so embarrassed cause we did more than just giggle.

Sihle: Did bhuti T rape you sisi Zi?

The room went dead quiet as she looked at me with so much concern. I walked closer to her and kneeled.

Me: Am perfectly fine my baby, he didn't rape me.

Fiso: So you had sex?

Axole: Fisokuhle!!!

I was mortified.

Sihle: What sex?

I looked at Thulane for help and he was as shocked as I was.

Fiso: Sex is what two people who love each other do.

Sihle grinned and looked at me.

Sihle: So did you guys have sex?

Me: Axole!!!

I whispered as he picked them up mortified as I am and closed the door. I stood there shocked.

Thulane: Did we just get busted by kids?

I threw myself on the bed as he slept next to me laughing. I rolled onto him rubbing myself slowly on him getting him excited.

He grinned as he got ready and I slipped him in as he groan and the door opend as thulane grabbed me quickly hiding me as we fell on the other side the bed hiding us. We peeked our heads to see Axole frozen there.

Thulane: What???? He roared. I saw fear in Axole eyes. As he dashed out running.

We sat there and the mood gone.

Thulane: You moving into my room and we need house rules!!!

Axole

Holy shit I just walked in on them connected and about to have sex in broad daylight!!! I was sitting by the garden bench when I smelt her before i could see her. Oh no she going to chase us away, we made our selves to comfortable and disturbed they me time.

Sisi Zi: Am going to speak to you like I'll speak to an adult.

I kept quiet.

Sisi Zi: Look at me please. I did and she looked as embarrassed as I was.

Sisi zi: you need to knock and wait for me to say come in.

Me: Are you chasing us away now.

She looked at me confused.

Sisi Zi: No

That made me relax a bit.

Sisi zi: knock!!! And wait!!!

Me: But i was there 5 minute ago!!!

Sisi Zi: A lot can happen in 5 minute

We both kept quiet and looked at the pond as she brought me closer to her side hugging me and I loved it. In all my 18 years in life she is the only woman who has ever hugged me and kissed me goodnight and spoke to me with so much love and affection.

Sisi Zi: Am never going to get enough of you Axole, trust that, believe it that you own my heart

Thulane

I watched them and the love she showered him and the words I longed to hear.

Axole: Do you love him?

She kept quiet for sometime than giggled lightly.

Zibusiso: I think I do. His kind, loves you as his own, thoughtful and cares for me.

Axole: He loves you, he might not say it but I see it and I know you do too.

Zibusiso: Listen

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even if things with T don't work out with us, you still my child.

I saw him crush her in a hug and actually cry as she held him wiping a tear than they sat like that for some time.

Axole: Promise?

Zibusiso: With all my heart. I wouldn't want to parent you guys with anyone but T, he is an amazing father figure and I trust him with my life. So even if its means we don't work, you all coming with me.

Axole: If he fights you, he kinda has more money than you. She laughed.

Zibusiso: He will never hurt me like that, he sees how much you mean to me. He wont take you away just to spite me.

Axole: Ill pray that God make you guys stick together for life

Zibusiso: I pray so too champ.

I wiped my tears as they sat there for a while.

Zibusiso: Promise me one thing though

Axole: Sure

Zibusiso: If you ever find yourself in a situation or jam you will come to us. We are your first go too no matter how big or small it is. We your go to and your siblings are our problem not yours

Axole: Iv always been the one who soldiers on.

Zibusiso: i know but that the only rule I have. We are your first choice

Axole: But bhuti T

Zibusiso: Is your parent as much as I am.

Axole: I promise

Zibusiso: Good now come here.

I watched them sit there snuggled up talking about dreams and girls.

Sihle: Want to pick flowers for her?

Me: Yeah

She held my hand and picked flowers.

Sihle: I know they said I mustn't ask but am going to ask.

She was such a vibe.

Me: Okay, ask

Sihle: You keep this between us

Me: Okay

Sihle: Can you be our father? I know i talk a lot but ill be quiet, i really don't want to sleep on the floor again.

Fiso walked in on us

Fiso: Did you ask him?

He whispered.

Sihle: I just did and he hasn't answered. They both turned looked at me.

Me: Well its all depends

Fiso: on what?

Me: You guys love me?

Sihle: I love you because you love sisi Zi and she loves me

Fiso: I love you, you brought me a bike and food and clothes.

Sihle: Plus Lunga loves you, so I love everyone he loves.

I grinned kissed her cheek as she giggled.

Me: Am your dad.

Sihle: Promise?

Me:i promise

Fiso: please don't tell Axole we asked. I laughed as we picked flowers talking about flowers and bees.

Insert 24:

Zolani

I got to the pipes and saw they clothes there and saw they haven't been there for days. Its been a week since iv been looking for them until I decided to look for the school they went too when I finally saw them kids being dropped off the the primary and High school that separated by a fence. I watched a tall guy drop them off and he smiled at them. I got confused when a girl was with that talkative boy than the older boy was dropped off at the high school gate as I took pictures.

Thulane

Lunga was a quiet person so when he smiled and walked to the gate he made my heart melt. I stood there till he got in the gate and drove off going home to where Axole was with Zibusiso. He was helping her with work and paper work than spent most of his time varsity shopping. I had a flyer today that I think he will love. I got there found them laughing and i walked in kissed her forehead giving him the flyer. He grinned and looked at me.

Axole: You want me to do my learners?

Me: I think its a good idea you know since you done with exams and the year is almost done. Why not.

He grinned looking at me and jumped hugging me.

Axole: Thanks, can I call them now?

I nodded giving him my phone to call as he ran out smiling. I turned to find Zibusiso looking at me grinning.

Me: What?

Zibusiso: Nothing, you good with them. I got up and took a file that i got for adoption papers. But i had another paper from home affairs and gave her the file.

Axole

I stood by the door not wanting to disturb them as they looked serious with papers.

Sis Zi: Marriage? Are you proposing after a week?

Thulane: Not yet but it makes our application for the kids a lot faster if we legally married.

I grinned I saw what he was doing and its so funny that she doesn't see it.

Sis Zi took a pen and filled out everything than gave him to fill out his stuff and they looked at each other smiling. Did I just witness them secretly get married?

Zibusiso: Don't you want me to sign any pre nup in case anything happens and we separate?

Thulane: I trust you. Let me go drop this off and process it and see what next. He got up kissing her forehead and left. I walked in to find her playing with a chain on her neck and sipped her tea. The minute she saw me she wiped a tear and that confused me, i thought she loves him but why cry?

Me: You okay?

She smiled at me.

Me: We share everything remember?

Zibusiso: Its complicated son

Me: Help me understand.

Zibusiso: I was married before. That shocked me as I looked at her.

Zibusiso: he was amazing, meet him and in 6 weeks we got married and he died in my arms.

She wiped away tears and i saw her pain.

Me: Now you fear the same?

Zibusiso: yes, i know am still sorting out myself and my emotions with T but iv been so happy the past week its crazy

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you, the kids and T are my all.

Me: Well am not going anywhere. She laughed.

Zibusiso: I just registered us for marriage and I fear we doing it all wrong.

Me: You want a big wedding?

Zibusiso:no

Me: Than?

Zibusiso: I don't know. She wiped a tear and looked at me smiling.

Zibusiso: What they said at the driving school.

Its funny how we share everything, how she feels safe to be vulnerable with me and as much as am just a kid but she gives me room to be an adult with her. She respects my input and advices even though I know nothing.

Me: Iv been praying and God been answering ever single prayer. Nothing going to happen to him or you.

She smiled grinning but I knew she was still skeptical.

Thulane

Driving our I saw an unusual car parked there I stopped and waited for him to lower his window.

Me: You lost?

Him: I think so

Me: What you looking for?

Him: Zibusise wines, i had an interview with them but can't find

them.

Zibusiso never said anything.

I looked at him and how he looks and knew his lying.

Me: You missed a turn there that drives you straight to the farm.

Let him drive to the cops.

Him: Thanks.

I reversed waited for him to turn and when he did turn towards her road I drove off and called Andile.

Me: Get guards to the house, two to the primary for the kids and one for Lunga. And get footage rolling covering the whole farm.

Andile: 300 hectares bafo

Me: Yep. You have a busy day than.

I got to home affairs and submitted the forms for adoption and my marriage request.

Lady: We have an opening at 3 today, will that be okay for you and your fiancee?

Me: Uhm... yeah.

Her:Good than. Today at 3 at marriage court.

Me: Uhm do I have to do vows?

Her:its upto you. You can bring people maximum 10

I got up and stood there for a second as she looked at me.

Me: This is fast!!

She laughed.

Her: Want me to cancel?

Me: No... Nooo its okay....

Insert 25

Bab Mseluku

Today i woke up from a weird dream where i saw a man with his two brothers knocked on my door asking for my blessing to marry my daughter and my elders and Phila agreeing to the match.

Phindile: uright?

Me: i think you should prepare a meal today we might have

visitors

Phindile: to do what?

Me: ask for Zibusiso hand in marriage.

She looked at me shocked.

Phindile: I speak to her on a daily basis not once has she mentioned being in a relationship

Me: you know how she is.

Phindile: Still babakhe she never said anything

Me: well the elders and Phila consent to her marrying this fella

Phindile: but what makes you think its today that he will ask for

her hand?

Me: i dont know but i can feel it today.

She looked at me as if am crazy but held her tongue as she went to the kitchen. I called brother and Phila babomncane to come over for an early lunch.

Thulane

I spent most of the morning preparing for 3. I got the glam squad sent to my house to prep her up and help her choose a dress she wants. I got suits for the boys and a dress for sihle. Right now i was a few feet above the air in a helicopter flying to Johannesburg to meet her parents with my brothers.

Andile: I still say this is too much. He said for a 100th time as we landed and got in a car driving to the address that i had to ask Sphiwe to find for me.

Me: I can't marry her without her parents consent though. I have to pay

Bandile: I thought this was just so you could adopt the kids

Me: I know I said it that but its not.

We parked at the gate and i looked at my brothers who were younger than me going to represent me.

Andile: you should have called dad side of the family for such matters

Me: mom and dad raised us alone, not once have you ever heard him say anything about them. Heck they didn't come to they funeral now why invite them to this.

Bandile: we have never negotiated for anyone.

Me: you keep quiet ill talk for myself. Ill explain we have no elders.

They nodded as we pressed the buzzer and the gate opened as we went in.

Zibusiso

When the glam team came in i was surprised.

Me: he never said anything to me about this

Axole: its a surprise.

They took out a few suits for Axole to try on and he went ballistic with happiness. Lunga came back first with a guard as a driver after his exam and was shocked to see the lounge into a dressing bomb. After some time Fiso and Sihle walked in as she came to kiss me.

Sihle: the kids at school are crazy jealous that i have my own personal bodyguard.

Me: Really?

Sihle: Yep. It was fun

Me: am glad you had fun go wash up your face so you can come pick a dress to wear. Bhuti T is taking all of us out by 14:30 we need to be out of here. We have 40 minutes guys...

Bab Mseleku

There was a knock just as Phindile was dishing out and our helper opened the door where 3 guys just as I saw them in my dream walked in.

Me: Come in sit and let eat. They looked at each other but sat.

The oldest cleared his throat.

Him: First ill like to apologise by just popping in like this but am running low on time and I still have to ride out.

Me: How can I help son

He looked at me nervously.

Him: Am Thulane Nyathi and ill love to marry your daughter!!

There was silence in the house as I was the only one who knew of this.

Phila uncle: Excuse me?

I looked at him to calm him than looked at him.

Me: You know my daughter was married before

Thulane: Yes am aware.

Me: lost her husband and child on the same day.

I watched the shock on they faces, i guess they didn't know about the child.

Thulane: I wasn't aware of the child sir

Me: Does that make you change your mind?

Thulane: No

Me: Than you have our blessing

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you can go for now and we will talk about the negotiations later.

He looked at me for a second.

Thulane: Am marrying your daughter in a few hours and I do not want that to be a sign of disrespect, he put on the table a paper bag with alcohol and money.

Thulane: These are the gifts I have for now as a sign of unity towards this family and mines.

I smiled at the young man, its rare that people do the right thing like this. Me: You have my blessing son.

He nodded and I helped them up as my wife walked out with a bag.

Me: Uyaphi manje?(where you going?)

Phindile: There is room for me in his chopper, am going to see my daughter get married...

Insert 26:

Zibusiso

I was standing by the bathroom mirror looking at myself when I saw Philasande standing behind me as I turned and looked at him. He grinned and i moved closer tried to touch him but my hand went through.

Phila: Thank you for setting me free!!!

I felt tears on my face and closed my eyes and i swear i felt him touch me than open my eyes to an empty room there was a knock as I cleaned up and opened the door as she helped me with touch ups. When done for the first time since his death I took off my chain. I took his ring and held it in my fingers as the drivers and guards ushered us to the car. We drove out and I open the window throwing it out the window and sat there doing my best to breathe. Sihle tiny hands held mines and I smiled at her as we drove in silence everyone anticipating this surprise.

Noxolo

My phone rang and I looked at it than answered.

Me: Yes

Voice: This is a department of social services

I kept quiet cause I have no idea where the rascals are.

Me: Sure?

Voice: Will it be too much to ask if you can come to our offices?

Me: Why?

Voice: I wish I could go through this over the phone but I can't

Me: What did Axole do?

Voice: nothing but there is a request here that shows an adoption on your kids and we have to get your consent in regards to such matters and do our part in investigating, so ill like for you to come over so I can explain exactly what the request is about as this will be anonymous adoption

I laughed so hard and tapped my sister put her on loud speaker.

Me: repeat!!!

The lady repeated.

Me: my son will never let her cousins go to another person so who ever is adopting him , the other 3 are tag alongs.

There was silence

Lady: we tried to find you sister

Nazuko: am here!!!

Lady: a request...

Me: we heard that so how much they paying us????

Lady: Adoptions are free, no money is involved. We don't sell

kids!!

Me: Tough

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no money, no kids!!! Call when money is involved. I hang up and Nazuko looked at me.

Me: what?

Nazuko: you had to wake me up for that?

Me: which crazy lady wants 4 rascals!!!!4!!!

Nazuko: must be desperate, she must go make her own!!! She threw herself on bed and slept as I thought this through, if she is desperate enough just maybe she will pay!!!

Insert 27:

Thulane

I was in the huge office with her parents and My heart was beating so fast cause she was late. After some time the door busted open with the kids looking good and she froze looking at her parents and I with confusion.

Zibusiso: mama... Baba???

They just smiled as I walked closer to her. She had on an elegant dress peach in colour complementing her. On the side full on lace and diamonds and the other side fully fabric. It curved her at all the right places and she looked stunning.

Me: I know this isn't what we agreed on. But your parents insisted in coming.

Zibusiso: Betshelwe ubani?(who told them) she whispered

I looked at her and kept quiet as she looked right at me. We both stared at each other for sometime as if reading each other minds as her eyes got glassy.

Me: We not crying today.

Zibusiso: I can't lose you too.

Me: Marriage doesn't mean am dying.

Zibusiso: Promise?

Me: Come.

I gave her a gentle tug and we walked there with our loved ones and tied the knot with her holding my hand as if not wanting to let go.

Zibusiso

Am married and his right here next to me, his not dying, not covered in blood but breathing and conversing with my father. We were at a restaurant celebrating the union as mom came and sat across from me wiping a tear I have no idea escaped my eyes.

Mom: I hope its tears of joy.

I smiled at her.

Me: thanks for coming by mom

Mom: You my child Zibusiso

Me: Am sorry for detaching myself from you and dad just that...

Mom: hey we here are we not?

I nodded as she side hugged me.

Mom: you everything iv ever imagined and more. Those kids are healing you as much as you healing him and that boy. She pointed at Axole

Mom: will move mountains for you

Me: i love them to bits

Mom: I cant wait to be they grandmother. I grinned as she sat there and i spoke to my mom for the first time without hating her and blaming her for all the bad in my life. We laughed and joked until it was late and they had to go.

Dad: we doing negotiations soon?

Thulane: yes

Dad: I can't wait.

He kissed my cheek and whispered.

"you right where you belong, embrace it" i nodded as they left.

Thulane

We were in the guest room that had a huge bed and Tv. We were all still dressed and chilling there after the eventful day. My brothers were there.

Me: Well i got you guys here because this is our family room.

Fiso: What does it do?

Me: Well its where every Thursday night we all going to sleep in this bed and talk about everything and anything about the week until we doze off. We going to pour our souls to each other and stuff ourselves with food. So everyone has 30 minute to change into Pj and come back here with all your favourite snacks. Uncle Bandile and Andile will be excused time and time since they travel alot but as for us!!! Well no one is excused.

Axole: What about me?

Zibusiso: What about you?

He grinned.

Axole: Am going to varsity soon so I won't be seeing you guys a-lot.

Zibusiso: Every Thursday night

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your ass will be in this bed and telling us all about the life of being an adult.

He kept quiet grinning.

Me: Now off you go.

After some time they all came back and we spoke about today as Zibusiso wrapped her leg on mines and I felt content in that moment with them around us.

Sihle: I wanna pray

Zibusiso: Go ahead my baby

Sihle: Dear God

I know you say that bad things are punished but boy am so glad we took that job.

Axole and Langa: Sihle!!!

Sihle: Shhhhhh am praying.

I laughed a little as Zibusiso pinched me.

Sihle: As I was saying, i want to thank you for giving me sis Z and bhuti T. I want to thank you for giving me grandparents too and lastly I want you to bless them with lots of money so they can keep spoiling me. I also want you to make sure Axole pass so he can study and make lots of money to spoil me too. Kahle kahle God, i want to say thank you for making sure that I sleep in a bed and no more on the floor and that am a girl now.

Everyone said Ameen.

Zibusiso: Lovely prayer.

Sihle: Am used to the soft life now, so God better pull through.

We all laughed so hard.

Axole: What you know about soft life?

Sihle: Look at me darling

We all roared with laughter.

After a while everyone was asleep but us as I saw she not wearing her chain with her husband band and that gave me a little peace. I touched her neck and she looked at me for sometime.

Zibusiso: I love you

That took me back. I never expected it.

Zibusiso: I know I haven't made it easy for us but am pretty sure what I feel within in is my love for you and some how am content with it.

Me: I love you to Zibusiso!!

She curled up next to me snuggling and I held her as we slowly dozed off!!!

Insert 28:

Zibusiso

The past two weeks have been tense. There was a shoot out at my farm and things got ugly losing two of the DEA agents. Iv been asked to compose a sketch to a guy that Thulane pointed too identifying him as one of the guys he found here some day. The kids have closed at school and today the Social development office called to say they have done they investigation and saw that the kids were neglected and sent out a sherif to the kids home for both parents to be at court tomorrow and so should we. This was no longer a closed adoption since the social worker failed the family. Axole rights to dissolve his parental right on his mother was granted as We applied to be his parents which amazingly it went through and his ours but we haven't told him yet we waiting for today for him to write his learners and share the news.

It was just us and the two guards as we drove to the department and I really wasn't feeling well maybe it was the sex because every day for the past 2 weeks we have been living it up. My phone rang and it was lee so I answered.

Lee: Chomz

Me: Hey

Lee: aybo so down

Me: Sorry just not well.

Lee: Seen a doctor yet?

Me: Just fatigue

He laughed.

Lee: His been ravishing you?

Me: I have a kid next to me lee

He roared with laughter.

Lee: Well mom called said we changing the colours for the traditional wedding?

Me: Yes different shades of brown with a touch of moss green

Lee: Awesome am on it.

Me: thanks, you got the measurements?

Lee: Yeah

Me: Cool, ill see you in a weeks time to go through the

progress.

Lee: sure

He hang up and Axole looked at me worried.

Me: Am just tired

Axole: The past week you been tired a lot though

Me: i know, i think i should exercise. Do some yoga to keep up

the energy

He nodded and I looked at him.

Me: Talk to me

Axole: She going to mess it up.

Me: Please don't think too much about it.

Axole: I know she going to mess up.

I held his hand opened my bag and took out a copy of paper that shows that he is ours giving it to him.

Me: I was waiting for you to finish writing but I can see you need it now. He read it looking at me with tears as we parked.

Axole: Am yours?

Me: All of you is mine. You my child now and no one can ever mess that up, i loved you from the moment you gave me that stinky attitude.

He crushed me with a hug and I held him tight loving this moment.

Axole: And the kids?

Me: We still working on it. They under 18 so its takes time, trust us.

Axole: I do. Now I can say mom proudly.

I wiped a tear.

Me: Now go ace that test ill wait okay? He gave me the paper grinning and walked out of the car with his head held high.

Thulane

To say I don't love married life is an understatement. I love every moment of it and more. She is loving, kind

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sweet and the sex. Dear lord iv had my share of sexual experiences but not this. I was busy with lunga this morning. Iv noticed that him and I have created a bond that is inseparable. He always came to me first with things and i swear i heard him say dad a couple of times making me smile. We finished fixing the car with Fiso and sihle playing.

Me: Think he will like it?

Lunga: Its a polo dad, he will go crazy.

Me: Thanks for keeping it a secret I doubt Zi would have approved giving Axole a car.

Lunga: I know he says he can drive dad but his not that good.

I laughed.

Me:Well I noticed you love fixing things.

Lunga: I want to be a mechanical engineer.

Me: If you like we can look into 2 weeks programs that they have since school is closed and enrolled you in one, will you like that?

He grinned and that was a yes

Fiso: I like eating is they something I can do that involves eating?

Me: cooking classes for kids?

Fiso: Like be a chef?

Me: Yes

Fiso: But i love eating not making the food.

Me: But Dont you think life would be easier if you make your own food? Not waiting on anyone to make it for you?

He stood there thinking for a second.

Fiso: You right!!!! He parked his bike and walked away.

Me:where you going?

Fiso: To help Janny in the kitchen learn a few tips before you

ship me off to cooking classes

Sihle: ow nkosi yaqhala inkinga!!!(You have just opened a can

of worms)

Zolani

We were looking at the plan again. Giving pointers and tips of how we can get into that house with the guards all over. Iv seen how they cherish those kids. If we kidnap them not the oldest one since he might be a problem but the other 3 and trade them for our drugs than we will be sorted everyone get what they want. I pointed to the map again as we planning to hit

them in two days time.

Zibusiso

He passed and he got his learners. He was grinning as we stopped at the Tower ice cream palace and had our share of ice

cream.

Me: Got a date for your drivers?

Axole: 2 months from now.

Me: You going to start your classes soon then.

Two girls walked in and I watched my son blush as I turned looking to the girls. One had a dress on and the other had shorts and crop top with long braids. The one in a dress shyly smiled and waved at him as he looked down.

Me: Did she just wave at you?

Axole: Yeah

Me: You know her?

Axole: From school, she used to share her lunch with me.

Me: Well go greet her.

Axole: We not really friends ma

Me: Am confused.

Axole: She just felt pity for me that all.

Me: for a smart guy, you could talk rubbish. Girls share lunch with people they dont like!!!

Axole

I watched mom get up and I wish the floor could open up. She spoke to them and after some time they all walked to the table and they sat there.

Mom: Axole says you were helpful at school.

Cindy: yebo ma.

Please lord take me now.

Mom: Well this weekend we going to the Aquarium if you girls like to come that would be fine.

I closed my eyes in embarrassment.

Cindy: CJ having a party, if you like to come Axole.

Me: Yeah I saw the invite on Facebook

Mom: And you never said anything... his coming.

Somebody please take my mom away.

Slie: We have to go.

She never really liked me, she was those spoilt rich girls who look down on people like myself. I saw mom make a face and I grinned guess she picked up that she is snob.

Cindy: I can give you my number.

Mom took my phone fast giving it to her and she wrote her number and name and i added a heart and saved it.

Cindy: Nice meeting you ma.

Mom: Oh nice meeting you too angel. They got up and left and mom looked at me grinning.

Mom: We have a date... oh my gosh she so mannered and beautiful!!! What you going to wear?

Me: Mom

Mom: This is so much fun.we passed and got a girlfriend

Me: She not my girlfriend

Mom: She is, she likes you. Can't wait to tell your dad about this.

" oh lord take me now!!!"

Insert 29:

Thulane

Today was the court day and the kids were beyond nervous. Zi was eating sour worms like crazy, never really pictured her as a sweets person but she asked us to stop at the garage so we did. We were seated in court and on the other side and lord have mercy the mothers walked in with the most hugging clothes ever, breast spilling out of they dress as they stood there. The judge walked in and when the lawyer started to talk she raised her hand and looked at the two ladies.

Judge: Am going to ask basic questions that every mother could answer but first take a breathalyser to see if they on alcohol. That was done and they were not.

Judge: Simple stuff. How old is your oldest son?

Noxolo who is Axole and fiso mother looked at her son and at the judge.

Noxolo: 20 i think

The judge looked at Axole to answer

Axole: 18

Judge: What is Fiso favourite food? Fiso being your younger

child Miss Memela!

Noxolo: He eats everything

Judge looked at Fiso

Fiso: Amasi

Judge looked at Zibusiso

Judge: How long have you been with the kids?

Zibusiso: Just over 3 weeks

Judge: What Axole favourite colour?

Zibusiso: grey and black... black for shoes.

Judge looked at sheet of paper and nodded

Judge: His favourite subjects?

Zibusiso: Afrikaans, his intrigued by his origins

The judge looked at the paper and looked at Noxolo.

Judge: She been with them for 3 weeks and before you all came here i gave you a set of questions and made you all sit in separate rooms to answer it. No one knows of this procedure so you wouldn't have prepared. Her answers are the exact replica of every child answer word to word meaning she took time to learn about her kids

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gave them her time and attention and you who have been with them for over decades could not even answer one question right? Now tell me Noxolo why should I not grant the application for them to adopt them? Why should I stop them from having a loving, kind environment. Give me one good reason why I should give you a second chance at being a mother?

Noxolo looked at the kids and I saw her wipe a tear.

Noxolo: Axole!!!

Judge: Speak to me.

Noxolo: Can I ask my son one question please.

The judge looked at us and we nodded.

Noxolo: If we say yes to all of this will you forgive me for my past mistakes and stop hating me?

The mood changed and I saw tears in his eyes as Zibusiso wiped hers. He couldn't speak but nodded

Noxolo: Than they can have them it's the least i could do after all that iv done.

The judge nodded and signed on everything and excused us.

Noxolo

Iv never seen them so mannered and looking like normal kids in all my life, iv accepted that i failed them. Iv never seen Sihle looking like a girl that she is, we always made her wear clothes that Fiso had. When the court got dismissed we all walked out and I bumped to them at the corridor and stopped the woman who was able to give them the love that I never had for my children and sister kids.

Axole: Noxolo!

Me: I wont embarrass you but I just want to thank her. Thank you. She took out her wallet took a card out and gave it to me.

Her: When you ready to live up to your potential, call me anytime of the day and ill show up for you.

I wiped a tear as they all left.

Nazuko: They hate us

Me: Not anymore. We did this for them!!!

She nodded as I side hugged her

Zibusiso

I decided to take them out to just ease out the tension that we had from court as we sat by the restaurant Lunga sat next to me for the first time since his been with us and laid his head on

my shoulder. It makes sense why his been distanced. He wanted to be approved first before attaching himself towards me.

Me: I love you with all my might. I whispered for him to hear and he snuggled closer.

Thulane: to happy days

Sihle: And lots and lots of love.

Zolani

It was midnight as all the lights went out in the mansion and we sat there waited a few hours for them to fully sleep as We cut the wires and spread our as we tranquillised every guard to the floor. We slowly hacked the system as we walked in every room looking for the bedroom when we finally found a room where the kids all slept. We injected the older ones to continue to sleep as we picked the younger ones. Just like that the lights switched on and there she stood with a gun in her hand aiming at me.

Her: Place them back to bed!!!

She whispered as I raised the gun with the silencer and aimed at her just as she shot a shot at me with her falling to the floor bleeding.....

Insert 30:

Thulane

I woke up to a bang and ran with my gun to the kids room to

find Zibusiso on the floor bleeding.

Zibusiso: Fiso... they have fiso and Sihle.

I left her there running towards were she pointed as I was

greeted by gun fire.

Zibusiso

I could feel myself losing consciousness and I saw Andile running towards me with a gun as he dropped down and

helped me.

Andile: Its a shoulder wound sisi. I need to remove out the

bullet.

I nodded as he gave me something strong to drink and I

vomited like crazy as he helped me. He looked at me.

Andile: You pregnant?

Me: No, am spotting as we speak.

Andile: Spotting or bleeding

I cant believe am talking about periods with my brother in law in this havoc

Me: Does it make a difference!!!

Andile: yes

Me: spotting about to bleed

Andile: you pregnant

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i have to rush you to the hospital

I was in a gown and I literally had nothing underneath. I woke up in a jolt from my sleep as i had a bad dream of someone snatching the kids to my disbelief they were being snatched.

Andile: A person who is pregnant vomits the alcohol due to adrenaline and I need to make sure the baby is fine.

Me: Am pregnant?

He nodded and I looked at him shocked.

Me: How?

He looked at me as a bullet flew aiming right next to me as a huge explosion took place outside as i heard cars squeaking. I closed my eyes as I said a prayer "dear lord don't let me lose anyone today"

Thulane'

Thank God for Simphiwe and his crew for coming by as they helped me with making sure that Zolan and his team never leave the ground it was bullets after bullets until i safely had Fiso and Sihle next to me unconscious. I know they did something to them keeping them the way that they are as i pulled them behind the sofa leaving them there. I went in full blown shooting at everyone that wasn't on my side. An ambulance was here as I pointed in the house because I know that Zibusiso was shot after some time when everyone was shot at and I was looking at Zolan as he laughed coughing blood.

Zolan: Dad going to kill you for this

Me: No one messes with my family. I aimed at him shooting him point black as I jogged in the house to find Zibusiso on a stretcher and the paramedics giving the kids shots.

Me: is what they gave them harmful?

Paramedic: We will have to do some test... ill take them and your wife to the hospital. I nodded as I moved closer to her.

Zibusiso: you good?

I nodded and I saw a tear escape her eye. This must have been hard for her as they rolled her in the back and holding the kids in there placing them in another stretcher.

Andile handed me a gown and I looked at myself to find myself fully naked from head to toe. Holy shit, i just went to war naked!!!

Bandile popped out if nowhere looking exhausted as he laughed "at some point in the gun fight when I saw you naked i thought i was dreaming mr Dangler"

Andile busted laughing and I left them like that.

Insert 31:

Somewhere in Cape town

I watched the live news and my heart beat against the chest as confirmation of my son dying trying to get back those drugs. I sent a text to the assassin that always does the job for me and closed my eyes as I prayed for Zolani

Zibusiso

The past 3 days have been a journey. The day after the attack he moved us to a cabin home were we were with the kids while they check if more threats are coming. The kids were hyped up with that but Axole was worried. And yes am pregnant

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its still the early weeks and iv hidden this from Thulane. My eating pattern was drastic causing everyone to notice that am not myself. I hid it because we never spoke about kids. Iv never really spoken about it though and i still dont know how to feel about the whole pregnancy thing. I watched them play soccer and Thulane was the ref who favoured the bigger guys. I got up and stood with the kids

Me: You cheating... ill be with them and you be with your boys. We ran around playing yes they let us win and score but the noise we made and the dances we did were to much.

Kid cartel

I got a text that said "today" and I sent "yes" than after some time i got another text with a picture of them in a cabin house and I saw all of them. What will pain more? Losing the older kids or losing the younger ones? I sent out a text" take both the younger ones, head shots" after some time I got a text "okay"... now they will know what its feels like to lose a child.

Thulane

We sat done by the shade as they were dancing.

Axole:did we really have to make them win we will never hear the end of it

Me: i know

Lunga: they happy

I smiled at they hurdled together singing than out of nowhere a bullet came out of no where and went right between Fisokuhle eyes and the screams from Zibusiso were the most painful cry as she picked him up holding him as i ran towards them to move them out of the gun fire and with in seconds another bullet ripped through right between Sihle eyes as she slumped on Zibusiso and i saw the boys dragging them as she was covered in blood and braincells and all i could hear was my heart beating in my eyes as everyone was screaming and crying. I know they were gone with the fixed smiles on they faces and they eyes looking up to empty space...

Insert 32:

Thulane

Iv never seen a person so devastated in they life as she was all the time she clenched to the kids lifeless body until the medics came and took them away as she held on to Axole and lunga for dear life.

Sphiwe: The snipper was 300 feet away

Me: how did they find me? The cabin is not listed at my

property!!!

Sphiwe: we will figure that out okay!!

I nodded as he left leaving me standing there not sure what to do or say to her. I know how much she loved those kids and how much they meant to her. I walked to the ambulance as the medic was checking her.

Medic: You pregnant?

She looked at him and nodded and i looked at her shocked. She never shared this with me and she turned not looking at me at all as i took her hand and held it giving her a squeeze that the only way that i could assure her that we in this together.

Axole

The next few days iv watched mom struggle with the loss of Fisokuhle and Nosihle like crazy. She spent most of her days in bed and crying and hardly spoke to anyone but she made sure that we are okay. Iv found her a million times in the middle of the night just standing in our room looking at us. Its freaky but i get her reasons. Today was the day before the funeral and we were at the Mansion where teachers were coming through paying they respects and kids from my school and her school coming over. I was sitting by the bench that was my favourite spot with mom when Cindy sat next to me not saying a thing. We were quiet for sometime until i felt her hand on mines as we looked out to the garden.

Cindy: they in a better place now Axole: I hope so...

She moved closer to me laid her head on my shoulder and just sat there. I loved the gesture, the comfort she brought and the peace as i just sat there and said nothing but the guilt ate at me if i didn't take the job they would be alive right now mom would be happy and so will dad.

Zibusiso

I sat throughout the funeral and Noxolo and Nazuko never came. I watched my husband be strong for us as the boys sat right night to me with lunga holding my hand tight. We sat there endured the whole process and laid them to rest. The cops were all over and so were the news. My parents were here for the support as the send off was beautiful. The after mass was as lovely as they were, i excused myself from the boys as I went for a walk to the garden I just wanted to be alone as I heard voices . I stood by the tree and looked out and Saw Janny our helper standing there talking to the most scary guys ever

Janny: I can't believe you made me help you kill those innocent kids!!!

I felt my heart break into a million pieces she was really a trusted employee and we made sure she was okay and what she does? Sell us out.

Guy: What you think happened when you gave me they new address that I was going to kiss them? Iv sent the 20k we agreed on to your mother account so that your family is well off now don't ever talk about this to anyone or ill kill you with my bare hands. My mind acted fast as I took a photo of them and slowly walked away so angry to Thulane and found him in our bedroom crying as I froze. I know it hurt him too but not once have I found him grieving as he is today. So i just got in bed with him and held him as he cried his guts out letting me be there for him in this process....

Final

Thulane

I spent most of the night in her arms. We cried and made love and cuddled. She was naked on top of me drawing circles on my chest as the sun rises

Me: Iv been thinking

Zibusiso: About?

Me: Us and the kids

Zibusiso: What about us.

Me: I know we having a wedding soon and going to your home town but what if we move to Johannesburg. Axole got accepted at wits. Lunga mechanical schools that have options are there and i have my companies there and...

Zibusiso: We lost so much here.

Me: Yes. We lost so much here. This could be our family home, vacation home. Plus you pregnant and your parents miss you so much and you will need your mom help. Am sure the boys will want to move and I think Axole picked Johannesburg because Cape Town reminds him so much of his past.

Zibusiso: I hear you will talk to them

Me: Cool will also join my estate with yours and run down the house there so more space is open.

Zibusiso: You seem to have this figured out.

Me: Been thinking about it a lot

Zibusiso: I lost a child before. When Phila passed on I was pregnant, I didn't know so I lost it and him at the same time. I never told you this before because we never really talked about having kids as we were focused on the ones we have.

Me: Your father told me the day I married you

She looked at me.

Zibusiso: And you still married me?

Me: cause I loved you the first time i heard your cries.

Zibusiso: my cries?

I told her of the year that her husband passed how i was tormented in seeing him bleeding, i told her of the year after he has passed and how he visited me in my dreams. I told her of the nightmares iv endured and told her everything as she looked at me slowly wiping her tears.

Me: I know i should have told you sooner but not everyone understands the spiritual world.

Zibusiso: The first time i saw you I felt a strong pull towards

you. I thought i was imagining it but now it all makes sense.

I looked at her confused as she told me all about her and all

about Phila and how and why they got married and how her far

related cousin poisoned him instead of her.

When she was done I was quiet for some time.

Zibusiso: You my hidden treasure

i had to go through all that in order to meet you. I had to suffer

in order to get my blessings. All this time i thought I was the

Hidden one but you are. You my hidden blessing!!!

She grinned and crushed me in a bare hug as she cried and I got

it. She was crying because she was finally letting go and

accepting faith as it is.

Janny

I was helping out in the kitchen as Andile walked in and looked

at me for sometime and he never really looked at me the way

he had.

Me: What?

Andile: My brother trusted you!! He whispered and I froze and I knew that its over for me. He knows and soon Thulane will know. He took out an envelope and handed it to me.

Andile: In there is your month pay and I suggest you leave now before he wakes up because I know he wont turn you in but kill you and I don't want him to live with that. I looked at him for some time and took of my apron and took the envelope and left. Its will be a matter of time before he finds me and kills me atleast ill have time to say goodbye to my family.

Axole

This morning mom and Dad seemed happier and content as they sat down while we were listening to grandpa crazy stories laughing. Lunga was laughing and it looked good on him.

Mom: Well i have a question guys. She looked at both of us.

Dad: Your mom and I are thinking of moving and wondering how do you two feel about it.

In all my life no one has ever asked me in involved me in decision making and having them do that...

Zibusiso

Mom: To where?

I grinned.

Dad: You coming home? I saw his eyes get glassy.

Me: If my boys are cool with that

Lunga looked at Thulane and saw him grin and at the same time Axole did and I knew it something they spoken about before approaching me and I smiled.

Axole: I applied that side anyways so am cool

Lunga: Most of the schools for my passion are that side so am cool too. Me: Than we moving.

Mom smiled at me and I looked at the boys.

Me: No one will ever take Fisokuhle and Nosihle place but I have news for you guys and know that am sharing because I want you guys to share this experience with us. The baby am carrying is as much of your siblings as you are my kids

They looked at me confused

Lunga: I figured with the sour worms mom. Nazuko had them alot when she was carrying Nosihle.

Axole: Yep and the mayonnaise, Noxolo had it in everything with Fisokuhle. Mom: Your boobs are growing

Dad: Oh yes you even asked me about it as if I know anything about boobs.

We laughed and I looked too my family and I knew that Ill work this journey all over again with the pain and all just so I can find my Hidden blessings Love..... 10 months later

Zibusiso The pain ripped through as I screamed.

Doctor: Okay dear push one last time!!!

I pushed so hard and a big loud cry filled the room as Thulane wiped a tear from his eyes. We both knew that we having a baby boy and having been going through names for him throughout the pregnancy. Doctor: It's a boy.

I smiled but I wasn't feeling good as pain ripped through me and I screamed at Thulane looked at me confused. The doctor touched my tummy and looked at me confused.

Doctor: there is another one in there Thulane: How???

She fingered me and looked at me grinning i could see it in her eyes.

Doctor: I know you tired but looks like we have a surprise baby on the way with the next pain I want you to push okay. I nodded as Thulane kissed me and the pain ripped through me and I pushed as hard as I could until i heard a tiny cry. As Thulane looked at the little human in shock.

Thulane: they are two of them Doctor: It's a girl!

He jumped in excitement since his been praying for a girl as the helped me out and he disappeared with the kid and i closed my eyes as I saw Nosihle smiling at me and i felt tears on my face as i wiped them out Nurse: it all over, they healthy and beautiful. Axole

Well the past few months have been heaven. I was living at home and going to school and yes Cindy and I are a couple and go to the same varsity. Mom and dad did they beautiful traditional wedding and it was epic. Did i tell you guys that i have a car now. I passed my matric and dad gave me his first car a polo that drives mom crazy. We were waiting in the waiting room.

Lunga: i read woman die in labour.

Trust my brother to be negative just as dad came out and he was grinning. Me: oh no its a girl?

He grinned wider as uncle Lee mom best friend squealed like a girl. Grandpa: congratulations.

Dad: thank you, but come in for a surprise. We all looked at him as we followed him and there in mom room were two beds one with a pink hat and one with a blue hat. I felt tears roll down my face as I looked at mom. Me: We four again!!

I whispered as i looked in to the perfect little girl who was peacefully sleeping. Sphiwe

We were finally able to find The Kida cartel and were able to make multiple arrest with resulted in my promotion as I looked at the woman by the name of Janny sitting right in front of me who helped me get them all...

The End

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