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He knew marrying her was a mistake on their honeymoon, she suddenly went into an eerie silence when they got into the hotel room. He was still all bubbly and happy
He didn't notice her change of mood until he finished undressing
By that time, she had taken offense that he didn't

pay attention to her change of mood which happened about an hour earlier

He asked her what was wrong with her

She flared up

"Is this how you are going to do husband? If I had died right by your side, you wouldn't have noticed for one hour and three minutes?

Is this was I settled

for?

He was taken aback

It was the last thing he expected

The surprise showed on his face

She saw it and shouted "Oh my God. You regret marrying me right? You are already weary or is that disgust i see on your face?"

He didn't even know what to say, so he sat down and kept quiet

while she ranted and cried

When she was done, he wanted to hold her and placate her

He felt the events of the day had gotten to her and she was just venting

As soon as he touched her on the shoulder, she flared up

"Dont infect me with leprosy. Just go. Get out. I don't want your

sympathy. I dont want you consoling me. Just get out.

He did

He left her in the room

He went into the restaurant of the hotel for two hours

He bought some sparkling water because he wanted their first meal as a couple to be together

By 1AM, he went back to the room and knocked on

the door

She didn't open it

He knew she heard him because she shouted "Go and sleep with your prostitutes, go back to where you were coming from"

His first instinct was to get another room and sleep there but her words stung him

He didn't want her to accuse him of any wrongdoing

so he slept by the door until the next morning

She opened the door by 6:15 AM

There was no apology

She expected him to be there

When he got into the room, they didn't speak

He got on the bed and slept

She went into the bathroom and later left for the restaurant to have breakfast

It was a crappy honeymoon

Her mood didn't get better for the whole week

The only time they had sex, she practically guilt-tripped him into sleeping with her

"I don't want us going back without you getting what you came to this hotel for. This is a sacrifice i am making for you."

He really didn't want to sleep with her that day but he had to

If he didn't things will get worse plus he really wanted to have sex on his honeymoon and the expectation was somewhere at the back of his mind seeking expression.

They had sex

She opened her legs and grunted through

it as if he was inconveniencing her

At a point he had to close his eyes and imagine he was with someone else

Someone who was happy and wanted to be with him

When he was done, she started to cry all over again

"That's all I am good for right?

A mare to mount & seek stress relief

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So you do your thing and roll away while i deal with the consequences right?

Women are mules and men are eagles right?"

He didn't even know what to say

He found tears rolling down his eyes of their own accord

Her sadness was infectious

She had killed his enthusiasm and joy

When they got home after the honeymoon, he began to avoid her as much as possible

He felt he was the problem

He felt the more he stayed out of her space, the happier she would be

She was happy before they got married (or so he thought)

They dated for two years before he proposed

to her

He met her at the software workshop in Dubai

She was a journalist sponsored by a tech outfit to cover the event

He was one of the participants at the workshop

They were both Nigerians and that fact went a long way when she interviewed him

They later had a meal together

She told him about Dragon Mall, a mall outside the city where things were sold at a very cheap price

They went to the mall together the following day

She insisted on sharing the cab fare with him

They shopped and the experience was fun

He fell in love with her as he watcher her

ride downwards to him on the escalator

The sight of her slowly gliding down with a smile that could dull the sun was a delight to his soul

That was the moment he decided he would do everything possible to get married to her

When they returned to Nigeria from the conference, he

spent some time in Lagos so as to be close to her before returning to her base in Abuja

From that point on they were in each other's lives every day

Phone calls, video calls, emails, chats

They attend the same church

She attends physically while he attended virtually

They were

both believers

Not once did she give him any reason to think she was a sad person

Not once did she mention or show any symptom of being whatever she was doing to him

By the time the marriage was a month old, he had practically forgotten how to be happy

He found himself swimming

in the murky waters of sorrow everyday

One day, on his way back home from the office, he decided to move out

The marriage was a mistake

He had lost his joy and his peace

He doesn't also feel safe around her because of her erratic behaviour

One minute she was cheerful and happy

the next she was screaming, crying, and moody

The marriage was draining him of everything

When he got home, he found an envelope with his name boldly written on it lying on the center table

He picked it up & checked its content

She was one month pregnant

The one she guilt-tripped

him into doing on that crappy honeymoon

He didn't know what to do with the information

He knew the pregnancy had nothing to do with her sadness but he didn't want his child growing up without a father

When he got to the room he found her crying

The pregnancy made everything worse

He sat with her and tried to hold her

Her eyes were red

She sprang to her feet and began to curse him

"This was what i didn't want

This is my body and I told you that day that you were dumping your stress in me

Now i am pregnant

I don't want this

I hate you"

it made no sense to

him

He didn't say anything

he had learnt to leave her alone for about 24 hours whenever she got into the foul mood

The next morning, he dropped note on the table

"You are free to do whatever made you happy,

you can keep the baby or have an abortion

You have my support either way"

She sent him a text later in the day apologizing for her actions

She said she had seen the doctor and was told the baby was doing very well

She said the news cheered her up and she has decided to keep the baby

He felt happy with the decision

She seemed cheerful too

He took it as

a good omen

The pregnancy was indeed a blessing

Her family members came around often and so did their friends and church members

He had some respite from her foul mood

Things seemed to have returned to normal

Then she fell into labour and the curses began

She accused him of every

evil deed under the sun and pronounced all sorts of curses on him for putting her through pregnancy

She didn't let him touch her and snapped at him like a rabid dog throughout the period

Eventually, she had a baby boy

He was happy

On the day she was discharged from the hospital

Her parents came around to pick her

She said she needed to go to her parent's house so that her mother can care for the baby

He was neither informed beforehand nor carried along

He pretended he was not hurt

She went to her parent's house

The following day, she took some of the

baby's things to her parent's house

He was stopped at the gate by the security man

The security man said he had been instructed not to let him in

Wow!

He dropped the stuff and returned home

He tried calling her and sending her a message

She didn't pick

She didn't allow him play

any part in the naming of his son

It took three months of pleading and pushing before he was allowed to see his son

Her excuse was "I was too mad with you and i didn't want my parents to see me lashing out at you"

To be fair, her parents called and apologized to him several times

she pulled her stunts

She returned home when the baby was six months old

They had been married for almost two years and they had made love about six times

He felt things would get better

They didn't

She would let him have foreplay but insisted there would be no penetration yet...

He played along

She always made demands and he always met them

bought her everything she needed to make her comfortable

The marriage clocked 3

They made love only on each other's birthdays and on their wedding anniversary

He was miserable and always wondered why he got married!

Then she pulled a stunt on their son's second birthday

She told him she needed some time apart from him

She needed her space

She sent him a message via WhatsApp while he was at work

By the time he got home she was gone

She left the baby behind with the nanny

He decided enough was

enough

He rented another apartment and moved out

He got his mother to come over and help him nurse his baby

He had peace for the first time in almost four years

Sis months later she arrived with her bags, she wanted to return to the marriage

He said No

She didn't believe he could

She wasn't prepared for a NO
It caught her by surprise
It was the first time he was saying No
He deserved to have a good life
He deserved peace of mind and joy
He had tasted life without her
He wasn't going back to Egypt
She went on her knees and started begging
He still said No!

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