LIFE DON BETA

Episode 25

Characters
Elvis
David
Ivie
Mr. Amadasun (Monday)
Mrs. Amadasaun (Tessy)

Scene 1a, David's Office, Afternoon

1. SFX: DOOR OPENS WILDLY, RUNNING FOOTSTEPS.

2. ELVIS: (PANTING) David!

3. DAVID: What is it? Calm down, see how you're sweating and panting.

4. ELVIS: (PANTING A BIT LESS) No time...I just got word about Ivie.

5. DAVID: (EXCITED) Really? You have a lead on the kidnappers?

6. ELVIS: (BITTERLY) One of my father's so called friends. I even know where she is being kept.

7. DAVID: Then what are we waiting for. Let's go and get her immediately.

8. ELVIS: (HAPPY) I knew you'd agree.

9. DAVID: We have to play this carefully though. I'll make some calls. I know some security guys that will help us with the rescue.

10. ELVIS: I agree. We should start going.

11. DAVID: Abi! Before they move her. I'll call them on the way. Let's move!

12. MUSIC: BRIDGE UP AND FADE
Scene 1b, Kidnapper’s hideout, Afternoon

13. **SFX:** QUIETNESS BUT FOR THE SOUND OF BIRDS AND LIGHT, SNEAKY FOOTSTEPS OF THE RESCUERS

14. **DAVID:** (NERVOUSLY) I would have liked for there to be more than one guy with us sha.

15. **ELVIS:** (NERVOUS) Me too, but what are we going to do.

16. **SFX:** PHONE VIBRATING.

17. **DAVID:** Shh, it’s the security guy… *(IN A LOW VOICE)* Hello? How many? You can only see one? Ok…Ok we’ll meet you just now. Yes sir, we’ll be careful.

18. **ELVIS:** What did he say?

19. **DAVID:** He said he only saw one guard. Armed. He’s not really paying attention, looks like he might be listening to music.

20. **ELVIS:** Ok, let’s go then.

21. **DAVID:** Wait, Elvis. I know it’s your sister in there, and it’s also the woman I love, but we have to be careful.

22. **ELVIS:** I understand Ok, let’s go.

23. **SFX:** MORE SNEAKY FOOTSTEPS.

24. **DAVID:** Ok, on the count of 3 we strike. One, two, THREE

25. **SFX:** SOUNDS OF A STRUGGLE AND A CRY OF PAIN.

26. **IVIE:** *(SHOCKED/HAPPY)* Elvis! David!!

27. **ELVIS:** Ivie, are you ok. Did they hurt you?

28. **DAVID:** The security guy has the guard at gunpoint, let’s get Ivie to safety.

29. **VOICE:** *(COMING ON MIC)* Mehhhnn, I’m just purging anyhow. Chei! *(SHOCK)* Ehn, Olimpio, what happened.

30. **ELVIS:** Oh no, there is another guard. *(SHOUTS IN FEAR)* He’s gonna shoot!
31. **DAVID:** ELVIS! Move!!

32. **SFX:** COMMOTION AND GUN SHOTS. CRIES OF PAIN.

33. **VOICES:** (SHOUTING, PANICKED) Oh my God! David has been shot. Somebody get an ambulance!

**SCENE 2, Hospital, Evening**

34. **SFX:** SOUND OF BEEPING MACHINES. FOOTSTEPS OFF MIC.

35. **DAVID:** (WEAK, GROGGY) Where am I?

36. **MONDAY:** The hospital. David, you were shot. The doctors say you’ll be fine. The bullet missed all vital organs.

37. **DAVID:** (ALERT, DEFENSIVE) Mr. Adamasun. Is Ivie okay. Please you have to believe me that I didn’t have anything to do with what happened.

38. **MONDAY:** Relax, David. I didn’t come here to fight you. I came here to thank you. You did a good thing today. You and Elvis were very brave in rescuing Ivie, but to then jump in front of a bullet for Elvis. Are you sure you’re an Osifo?

39. **DAVID:** Yes, sir. I am. Sir, I know there is some kind of feud between our families, but I love Ivie and Elvis is my good friend, and I know they would do the same for me.

40. **MONDAY:** (THOUGHTFULLY) Yes, the feud. I’ve been doing a lot of thinking, and I honestly don’t even know what it was about. Isn’t that silly, carrying on a feud and hatred for so long and not really knowing the reason why?

41. **DAVID:** Even on our side, sir. I asked my parents and they don’t know the reason for the feud. Please sir, you have to understand, I did not spoil your plans out of malice. I was doing my job sir.

42. **MONDAY:** In my heart of hearts, I knew that. I’m just a bit stubborn when it comes to my family. I’m also a bit jealous of the whole thing.

43. **DAVID:** Jealous sir?
44. **MONDAY:** Yes, David. My reaction to Ivie meeting with your family was very harsh. I think I was jealous and afraid to be losing my beloved daughter. Especially to my enemies.

45. **DAVID:** Sir, I promise you will not be losing a daughter, rather you will be gaining a son.

46. **MONDAY:** What are you saying?

47. **DAVID:** I’m saying that I have always loved your daughter, sir. I want to marry her, and I want you to give us your approval; it would make me the happiest man in the world sir.

48. **MONDAY:** Is that it?

49. **DAVID:** Yes sir.

50. **MONDAY:** Well since you guys broke up, she has been wondering my house like a ghost saying she can’t live without you. *(JOKINGLY)* Me, I want my daughter alive oh.

51. **DAVID:** *(HAPPY)* Thank you, sir. Thank you so much.

52. **MONDAY:** No problem. You’re a good man, and you and my daughter have my blessing.

53. **DAVID:** Thank you, Sir. I will make sure I never let your faith in me down.

54. **MONDAY:** Ok, David. I’ll let you rest now. I’m glad we could have this talk. I’ll let you tell Ivie the good news.

55. **DAVID:** Thank you, sir. Sir, before you go. I wanted to apologise again for the injunction against the shopping complex.

56. **MONDAY:** These things happen. What is business without a few risks. Sometimes you win and sometimes you lose.

57. **DAVID:** I was trying to put together a proposal in the hopes that it would help pacify you before all this drama happened.

58. **MONDAY:** A proposal? For what?
59. **DAVID:** The land you wanted to build on can be used in a more environmentally friendly way sir. The forests are very beautiful and we can start some kind of eco-tourism project without cutting down the trees.

60. **MONDAY:** Are you serious?

61. **DAVID:** Yes sir! I have been putting together some feasibility studies and it could be quite lucrative. Maybe even more lucrative than the mall. We could even have tourists from all over the world.

62. **MONDAY:** *(INTERESTED)* Please come and see me when you’re discharged so we can discuss further. Thank you, David for this proposal. I can see now that my daughter is in good hands.

63. **MUSIC:** **BRIDGE UP AND FADE**

**SCENE 3, Hospital, Afternoon.**

64. **SFX:** **DOOR OPENING. BEEPING OF MACHINES.**

65. **IVIE:** I never thought I would see the day that my Dad would come out of a room with you smiling. What did he say?

66. **DAVID:** Oh we just discussed some things, and then he told me to rest.

67. **IVIE:** *(BLURTS OUT)* Well, I’ve made a decision. I will marry you no matter what my family says. I love you, David. When you were hurt today, I felt like my life had stopped. If you had died, I would have died there too. I can’t live without you.

68. **DAVID:** That’s nice. I’m a little tired. I think I will rest now.

69. **IVIE:** *(DISBELIEVING)* David, didn’t you hear what I said?

70. **DAVID:** **FAKE SNORES, AND PRETENDS TO BE ASLEEP.**

71. **IVIE:** David!

72. **DAVID:** *(BURSTS OUT LAUGHING)* You should see the look on your face Ivie.
73. **IVIE:** *(SULKS)* It's not funny, joor. I'm being romantic and you're joking about.

74. **DAVID:** Come here, I want to tell you something.

75. **SFX:** CHAIR MOVES AS IVIE GETS CLOSER TO HIM.

76. **DAVID:** I am going to marry you, and you don't need to go against your father, he already said yes. If I wasn't on drip, I would have gotten on my knees to propose.

77. **IVIE:** *(LAUGHS)* Oh my God! Seriously?.

78. **DAVID:** I love you, Ivie Amadasun, will you marry me?

79. **IVIE:** I love you too, David. Yes I will!

80. **SFX:** KISSING SOUNDS

81. **IVIE:** *(LAUGHING)* So finally we can get married. I am so so happy. I despaired and thought all the road blocks to our happiness would never give way

82. **MUSIC:** BRIDGE UP AND FADE

**SCENE 4, Amadasun’s Residence, Evening.**

83. **SFX:** SOUNDS OF CUTLERY ON PLATES

84. **TESSY:** How was the food, my husband?

85. **MONDAY:** *(SIGHS)* It was delicious. You really outdid yourself this time, Tessy.

86. **TESSY:** *(LAUGHS)* It was meant to be celebratory, that we got our daughter back, but the guest of honour is not here.

87. **MONDAY:** *(CHUCKLES)* Even one of our bulldozers can’t drag Ivie from David’s bedside.

88. **TESSY:** I can’t believe you have changed your mind about them like this. It’s really nice to see you’re willing to review your position when it comes to the Osifos.

89. **MONDAY:** Honestly, the feud is just silly, especially when you don’t even know why you are feuding.
90. **TESSY:** Exactly!

91. **MONDAY:** But the clincher is that David not only helped rescue our daughter, he also saved our son’s life. The security man said that if not for David taking the bullet it would have hit Elvis in the heart or lungs.

92. **TESSY:** *(VEHEMENTLY)* God forbid!

93. **MONDAY:** When somebody does that for you, you have to review your initial opinion of them I think.

94. **TESSY:** I agree my husband. To think we were so close to not having any wedding.

95. **MONDAY:** And now we’ll be having two.

96. **TESSY:** This one will be a real testimony in church. All these years of praying that my children will find someone and it has come to pass.

97. **MONDAY:** *(LAUGHS)* Well God has answered your prayers in a big way. You must have been praying very hard.

98. **TESSY:** He is faithful ohh. God, the Amadasuns are grateful o

99. **MONDAY:** It's going to be a busy few months for us. Two weddings back to back. Elvis is getting married, and I know David and Ivie will want to get married soon themselves.

100. **TESSY:** Thank God we can afford it.

101. **MONDAY:** You know, you were right all those years ago.

102. **TESSY:** *(CONFUSED)* What do you mean?

103. **MONDAY:** Remember just after we had Elvis and you told me you wanted to talk to me?

104. **TESSY:** *(REMEMBERING)* Ohhhh yes. The family planning talk. I remember clearly. I was so nervous how you would react when I showed you the pamphlets.

105. **MONDAY:** *(TEASING)* Well as a business man, I always look at all proposals brought before me.

106. **TESSY:** *(LAUGHS)* I’m just glad you agreed with the sentiments.
107. **MONDAY:** Honestly, it made sense. We were able to give Elvis and Ivie good education, to really provide for them,

108. **TESSY:** And now we can give them a good wedding without worrying too much about it.

109. **MONDAY:** I just hope that they will plan their families like we did, so they can enjoy also the benefits we are enjoying now.

110. **TESSY:** *(EXCITED)* My dear I am so happy and feel so blessed. Elvis marrying a girl so nice and warm and Ivie marrying the man of her dreams.

111. **MUSIC:** **BRIDGE UP AND FADE, UP AND UNDER.**