

Bodyguard 901

Chapter 901: Jinxing It

Tang Yun didn't believe Chu Mengyao's words. She only stared at her with a lonely expression.

"What? Yaoyao sis, what are you talking about? What nonsense is this about Men and Women should be respectful to each other? You and Shield bro, are closer than she is!" Chen Yushu expressed her dissatisfaction.

"Shu, stop messing around!" Chu Mengyao glared at Chen Yushu.

Except, Chen Yushu insisted on continuing, "I'll just state the facts. When Shield bro was treating Yaoyao sis, he saw every bit of her and he touched her too. So he is more intimate with her than you are with Lin Yi!"

Tang Yun's facial expression looked drained. She had no idea if Chen Yushu was lying, but her words couldn't be completely devoid of the truth. "Hmph, at least some of the words that come out of your mouth are lies."

"Well, it is up to you if you don't want to believe it. You say that it is a lie?" Chen Yushu quickly countered. "Yaoyao sis was poisoned last time, she had to take off all her clothes to undergo acupuncture treatment. Yaoyao sis had to show herself to Shield bro already. She even squirted Shield bro with piss!"

"Eh?" Tang Yun and Chu Mengyao both shouted.

Chu Mengyao went into full alert mode when she heard Chen Yushu speak those words. She ignored the pain in her leg and jumped up as she said: "Shu, watch me pull your lips off if you continue!"

"Whaa... Don't! I'm just speaking the truth. Spare those who speak the truth..." Chen Yushu shouted.

Tang Yun was like watching two big babies fight each other, she didn't know how to chime in. Lin Yi had to treat Chu Mengyao so he had a formal reason to touch her body. That aside, Lin Yi had the identity of a Doctor, and didn't believe in barriers when treating either gender!

Even if Tang Yun can accept that Lin Yi and Chu Mengyao had no relationship, she felt sickened. If Lin Yi saw another female patient nude, while he was treating her, then Tang Yun wouldn't feel so mad. Chu Mengyao is different from those females.

What was that last part that Chen Yushu had said about pissing all over Lin Yi? Wasn't that a little too naughty? Lin Yi was treating her, how could she do that to him?

"Tang Yun, don't listen to Shu, just think of everything she had said was true, but it is between Lin Yi and me, like a doctor-patient identity..."

This time Lin Yi's injuries have caused Chu Mengyao to have a personality change. She didn't want to argue with Tang Yun over something trivial. She had Lin Yi suffer injuries on her behalf, what more does she have to argue about?

“Oh...” Tang Yun nodded; she doesn’t want to argue with Chu Mengyao either, but she was so upset. She looked down at Lin Yi and asked: “How did he get the injuries?”

“He... got injured by risking his life to save me and Shu...” Chu Mengyao didn’t bother to hide the truth. She told Tang Yun everything from the beginning.

“So it was like that...” Tang Yun felt sad. Lin Yi risked his life to save Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu. How could he take a risk like that? If Lin Yi had died, what would happen to her? Didn’t he think about the result? Why does he treat Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu that much better?

Tang Yun couldn’t help but feel jealous about it. During that time, if Lin Yi didn’t save Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu, then both of them would be in serious danger. But, that doesn’t mean Lin Yi should put their lives above his!

“Now, the risk is already over. No need to be so sad, Shield bro’s complexion looks better now. There shouldn’t be any problem!” Chen Yushu spoke up after noticing both of them were so upset.

“Remember last time, Shield bro got injured because of you. This time, it was because of Yaoyao sis. So it is a draw, no need to argue between the both of you! I wonder if Shield bro will get injured because of me next time?”

“Shu, don’t jinx it. Are you crazy?” Chu Mengyao was heated over Chen Yushu’s words. “He got injured on your behalf this time, do you still want Lin Yi to get injured again?”

Tang Yun wanted to scold Chen Yushu, but Chu Mengyao had beat her to the chase. Tang Yun didn’t have anything to add to the scolding.

Lin Yi might be physically unconscious, but he was meditating inside the dimension of his jade pendant. He had heard everything that was happening around him, but his body was too weak for him to wake up.

Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu were both struggling to carry Lin Yi off the mountain. For that, Lin Yi was very grateful he didn’t have to painfully crawl his way down. His efforts to defend the two ladies weren’t in vain.

His Miss definitely had an outwardly cold, but internally caring personality. This was one of the rare moments when she reveals her genuine nature!

After Tang Yun had arrived, Lin Yi knew about the conversation between the three ladies. The content of the conversation made Lin Yi sweat a little...

Lin Yi wanted to wake himself up so he could tell the ladies to stop worrying about him, but his injuries were far too severe. He could only try his hardest to absorb the energy within the pendant dimension. The meager amount of energy that seeped into his body, that is used to recover from his injuries.

As time flew by, seconds turn into minutes which turned into an hour, it didn’t take long for the whole afternoon to pass by into the evening. Lin Yi still didn’t wake up, nor did he show signs of waking up soon.

Tang Yun felt the urgency, Chu Mengyao, and Chen Yushu also grew impatient at the uncertainty. They each had their differences, but they all wanted Lin Yi to wake up.

“How come Lin Yi still isn’t awake yet?” Tang Yun suddenly broke the silence. Time always feel slower to those who are waiting with a single objective in mind.

“I don’t know... Last time this happened, he woke up after a night of sleep?” Chu Mengyao guessed. “We should wait in the living room. It feels like we are disturbing him if we stay here,”

“Well...” Tang Yun nodded, she remembered that the last time Lin Yi needed treatment, he requested that no one entered the room.

The three of them quietly left Lin Yi’s room and closed the door, as they waited in the living room.

“What do you want to drink?” Chu Mengyao asked. She was the host, and she acted befittingly of her role. Her rivalry with Tang Yun doesn’t stop her from remembering her manners.

“Oh, anything works...” Tang Yun wasn’t in the mood to choose drinks.

Chu Mengyao went into the kitchen to take out several bottles of drinks, she placed it on the dining room table. She uncapped one bottle to drink and she finished it. From the morning until now, this was her only source of water. She even cried several times before, so by now she was dehydrated.

Chen Yushu was in the same boat. They hadn’t eaten or drank anything. Chen Yushu chose a vitamin-enhanced bottle of water to quench her thirst.

“You haven’t eaten yet right? You should drink something. If Lin Yi wakes up and sees your condition, he will feel heartbroken.” Chu Mengyao handed a vitamin water to Tang Yun. Tang Yun had rushed over during lunch session, and she didn’t eat anything for the whole day either.

Chapter 902: Type of Girl Lin Yi Would Like

If she herself or Chen Yushu got injured, would Lin Yi be worried?

Tang Yun submitted to having a drink of water. The three of them sat idly in the living room and stared at each other in silence. The awkward tension was so thick, someone could slice through it.

Sitting silently and staring awkwardly weren’t activities that Chen Yushu could do very well. She found it was boring and tried to find a common topic to talk about.

She was worried about Lin Yi, but she was also in the mood to do other things. She was confident in Shield bro. She thought that he would be absolutely fine!

“Oh, I know what we can talk about. What type of girl do you think Lin Yi would like?” Chen Yushu looked at Chu Mengyao and then back at Tang Yun.

“Shu, what is there to discuss?” Chu Mengyao frowned. Tang Yun was sitting right there, as Lin Yi’s girlfriend. How could she even discuss what type of girl he likes?

“Well, it’s just harmless chat, since we have nothing better to do anyway, right?” Chen Yushu blinked innocently. “I’ll start first, I think Shield bro likes beautiful, kind girls from good family households. What do you think?”

“How would I know?” Chu Mengyao looked at Chen Yushu.

“Tang Yun, what do you think?” Chen Yushu looked back at Tang Yun. From Chen Yushu’s observation, Chu Mengyao had one advantage over Tang Yun and this was her household. Which was why she decided to use this topic to gain the upper hand. She also knew that Shield bro didn’t care about things like family background.

“I will refrain from participating, you can discuss it...” said Tang Yun. Chen Yushu had uncovered Tang Yun’s weakness and an issue that had bothered Tang Yun the most. Tang Yun’s complexion didn’t look too happy.

“Ah, Shield bro definitely doesn’t like boring nonconforming girls. So boring like Tang Yun!” Chen Yushu mumbled to herself.

“No way!” Tang Yun shouted. She looked at Chen Yushu in the eyes as she replied: “You are messing around, Lin Yi loves the way I am, why else would he ask me to be his girlfriend?”

“That is because he didn’t have any other choice. On school grounds, aside from you, there are no other campus beauties that like Shield bro. Without any other choice, he picked you as his girlfriend!” Chen Yushu jumped in to explain.

“Aren’t you two campus beauties? Why didn’t Lin Yi choose either of you?” Tang Yun was starting to get mad. She couldn’t help herself bicker with Chen Yushu.

“Oh, but he did pick us. Yaoyao sis is the first wife and I’m the second wife...” Chen Yushu declared proudly with her chest puffed up.

“Don’t think that just because your chest is big, makes you right. You are just making everything up!” Tang Yun refuted.

“What? You sound jealous. Are you envious of the size of my breast?” Chen Yushu proudly asked.

“What is there for me to be envious of? I am not jealous at all. It looks so heavy like your carrying extra luggage. Every step will take more effort...” Tang Yun puckered up her lips.

“Okay, Shu, stop joking around!” Chu Mengyao doesn’t want to turn their friendship sour with Tang Yun. She knew that Chen Yushu was doing it for her behalf, so she can’t scold her. Chu Mengyao turned to look at Tang Yun “Tang Yun, Shu has that personality, so please don’t take it to heart,”

“Oh... It’s not a problem for me, I already know,” Tang Yun felt surprised that Chu Mengyao wasn’t going to gang up on her.

In a blink of an eye, it was already midnight. Chu Pengzhan returned back to the villa. He had to rush back to his company to explain why he had taken out 150 million yuan from the cash funds. As a corporation that is one of the nation’s top fortune 500 companies, it did hurt company activities. The bright side was that there were still 50 million yuan in liquidity. That amount would be enough to mitigate any emergency funding. They would have to halt all existing projects!

When Lin Yi was able to borrow 100 million yuan from Liu Tianyi, it helped Pengzhan Industries a lot. Otherwise, Pengzhan Industries would suffer for awhile from the lack of liquidity.

“How is Lin Yi?” Chu Pengzhao asked as he opened up the door. Then, he noticed an extra person sitting on the sofa. This was his first time meeting Tang Yun. “Hello, you are...”

When Tang Yun saw Chu Pengzhao enter the villa, she changed her attitude. She had seen Chu Pengzhao before during the school opening ceremony, but this was her first time personally meeting him. Chu Pengzhao had multiple titles. He was the chairman of Pengzhao Industries, as well as, a Board member of her school. Tang Yun was very nervous.

This wasn't the first time, Tang Yun had met famous celebrities. She had met Fatty Lai, Guan Xuemin, and even Liu Tianyi, but she was more nervous now than meeting those individuals. Tang Yun stood up and self-introduced to Chu Pengzhao in a well-mannered demeanor. “Hello Uncle Chu, my name is Tang Yun. I am Lin Yi's girlfriend. I am also a student at Songshan's First School. I've heard your wonderful speech during the opening ceremony!”

“Oh, so you are Tang Yun. Nice to meet you!” Chu Pengzhao had heard of news about Tang Yun through Uncle Fu. He had never seen her before, but on a closer look, he could tell how pretty she was. Tang Yun's beauty wouldn't lose to his daughter's beauty. It is no wonder that Lin Yi would like her.

“Lin Yi is still unconscious. I felt like we were disturbing his rest so we decided to wait in the living room instead...” Chu Mengyao replied to her dad.

“So it's still the same...” Chu Pengzhao sighed. “What about Uncle Fu? How is he?”

“Uncle Fu is still the same as before... Lin Yi didn't wake up, so we didn't want to take the careless risk,” Chu Mengyao shook her head. Chu Mengyao was depressed.

“Sigh... Seems like everything will have to wait until Lin Yi wakes up!” Chu Pengzhao decided. “Have you girls eaten dinner yet? Are you hungry?”

Chu Pengzhao remembered that it was always Uncle Fu, who delivered meals for his daughter. If Uncle Fu couldn't come, then it was Lin Yi, who would cook. Now that both the chefs were absent, it was highly unlikely that his daughter would've eaten already.

“Didn't eat... I don't want to eat...” Chu Mengyao shook her head. Then she turned to Tang Yun and Chen Yushu and asked “What about you?”

Tang Yun and Chen Yushu weren't in the mood to eat. They had drunk some vitamin water already, so they thought of it as fasting.

“Let's eat some instant noodles. Lin Yi is a doctor, so he would know what is best for himself. If he didn't instruct you to take him to the hospital, then that means he has own strategy!” Chu Pengzhao tried to comfort the girls. “Eat with me, I haven't eaten anything yet so I'm feeling hungry!”

“Okay, I will go prepare,” Chu Mengyao stood up to prepare some instant noodles. She didn't want to eat, but if her dad said to eat, then she will eat.

There were a lot of instant noodle packets in the villa. Chu Mengyao pulled out four different flavors of instant noodles, as she prepared the hot water. She waited silently for the water to finish boiling.

Chapter 903: Finally Awake

Chu Pengzhao was eating instant noodles with his daughter and her friends. With every bite, he could tell that they were dispirited. He couldn't lift up their mood, so he decided to leave after finishing with his meal. "I'll head out first, you girls should take care of yourself and rest up too, it's been a long day,"

"Okay..." Chu Mengyao nodded. She respected her dad and his suggestions.

Chu Pengzhao looked around once more and left the villa.

With the clock ticking, minute by minute had gone by. In a blink of an eye, it was already 1 AM. Even if it was uneventful, the three girls didn't feel tired at all.

"Chu Mengyao, Chen Yushu, you can go rest? I'll be fine here watching Lin Yi. You don't have to accompany me..." Tang Yun felt that Chen Yushu looked pitiful as she was barely managing to stay awake.

"We aren't accompanying you, we are also waiting for Lin Yi to wake up. It was our fault that he was injured..." Chu Mengyao smiled weakly at Tang Yun's words.

"Yes, that is right. We are more worried about Shield bro than you are!" Tang Yun nodded.

"Oh... I'm afraid that if all three of us continue like this then none of us will be able to last." Tang Yun explained. "We could not sleep for one day, but what happens if he doesn't wake up for two or three days? Would we not sleep for those three days? What happens if we were asleep when Lin Yi wakes up and needs our help. What should we do then?"

"You are right with that logic..." Chu Mengyao nodded after hearing Tang Yun speak. "In that case should we implement a shift rotation? One person sleeps while the other two are awake?"

"I was thinking the same thing..." Tang Yun nodded. "Chen Yushu, you look the most tired. You can rest first, okay?"

"No way, you can go first. I'm not tired... I was just yawning..." Chen Yushu yawned twice in a row. Chen Yushu was quite tired, her constitution was weaker than Chu Mengyao. Even the last time she was kidnapped by Zhong Pinliang, she didn't stay awake for as long as Chu Mengyao.

"Yushu, go to sleep. Listen to our suggestions! It's for your own good," Chu Mengyao ordered Chen Yushu.

"Ah... Okay," Chen Yushu agreed. Once the agreement was reached, there was no reason for her to force herself to stay awake. She needed to recover quickly to wait for Lin Yi to wake up...

Chen Yushu yawned once more as she struggled up the stairs. General Wu glanced up to see Chen Yushu pass by and he remained on the floor.

Three days later, even the girls lost count of how many times they had switched rotations. No one was actually counting. It was just brainless repeat of waking up, eating, and then going back to sleep. After countless instant noodles, another day was ending...

That was when Lin Yi finally made some noise in the eerily quiet villa.

Tang Yun and Chen Yushu were the ones awake when they heard movement they quickly ran into the room.

They were cautious, they didn't dare make too much noise as they scramble over in. They tiptoed as they gently pushed open the door, just enough to peek at Lin Yi's bed...

Lin Yi's eyelid moved, it felt heavy to him. Somehow, he struggled enough to open up his eyes...

"Ahh!" Lin Yi yawned. He was finally able to wake up! After such severe injuries, this was his first! At most, he would've recovered after a night of sleep. He should've increased his power after recovering. He had to spend three days and nights to recover his vitality, but his strength didn't recover at all!

Normally, he would cycle through his Art of Dragon to recover, but Lin Yi found how painfully slow it is to recover like a normal person. His inner meridians were all shattered, he could only scrape by with the small amount of energy circulating within his body. He was no different than a normal person at this rate!

Even if he wanted to leave the jade pendant dimension, Lin Yi couldn't return. He was disappointed that he was trapped. He fell from his position as a top fighter into a normal person. All in an instant! However, Lin Yi didn't regret it at all!

During that situation, Lin Yi didn't have the luxury to choose. If he didn't use his pure energy as an explosive, he would've lost!

The main reason behind his logic was that Ma Zhu was a peak physical master who had trained his body to become impenetrable. Lin Yi was two grades lower in power difference. How could a peak early phase spiritual master compete against a peak mid-phase physical master? No matter how you calculated it, the spiritual master was at a disadvantage. How was Ma Zhu's condition compared to him?

Even if he had no chance of winning, Lin Yi tried his best. It was a situation where he had to risk a lot to gain something.

If he had followed Jiao Zizi's advice and left a third of his energy as reserves, then he would've had to use two-thirds of the pure energy as explosive power. Would it still produce the same destructive power? Lin Yi couldn't guarantee that...

Even at 100% of pure energy destruction, Ma Zhu still didn't die. He only had an arm destroyed. If he had spared some energy as a backup and used two-thirds of the energy then what will the outcome of the blast be like? If it didn't work then he would've wasted two-thirds of that energy. What will he do with one-third of the pure energy left in him?

So even if he had a choice of whether to do it the same way or not, Lin Yi wouldn't hesitate to do it again!

How else could he consider himself a dutiful follower? Even if Chu Pengzhao's initial intentions were for him to accompany the Miss for daily life activities, Lin Yi did that and beyond! He accomplishes his responsibility for money, but also for friendship!

He felt that he was friends with Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu, so with that in mind, he was willing to go all out. Otherwise, do you think Lin Yi would fight to the death for just a mere thirty thousand yuan? Definitely not!

“Lin Yi, are you awake?” Tang Yun whispered as she ran over.

Chen Yushu didn’t hesitate at all. She darted over and said “I know that Shield bro is definitely going to be fine. He is the best!”

“Ah...” Lin Yi might have been asleep, but he knew about what had happened these few days. He couldn’t force his body to wake up since it was too weak. He had to wait for his injuries to recover. “Thank you girls, for staying with me for three days and nights!”

“Oh?” Tang Yun and Chen Yushu were shocked that he knew how many days he was unconscious.

“I might have looked unconscious, but I knew what was happening!” Lin Yi spoke up. “Oh yeah, you girls can go rest now, I’m fine now. Okay?”

“No no... We aren’t tired...” Tang Yun shook her head.

“Oh yeah, Shield bro, you should be hungry by now. What do you want to eat? I can make you something to eat!” Chen Yushu replied.

“Oh, I don’t want to eat anything. I just want to rest more. You girls can go rest. I need it to be quiet to rest,” Lin Yi noticed that Tang Yun and Chen Yushu both had red eyes, as a sign that they weren’t been resting at all. His words would force them to rest.

Chapter 904: Return to Seek Refuge

“In that case, we will rest properly...” Tang Yun nodded as she understood Lin Yi’s intentions.

Chu Mengyao woke up from the commotion, she hadn’t been sleeping for too long since her last shift. She was also too worried about Lin Yi’s safety, how could she sleep soundly?

Quickly, she peeked downstairs to find that there wasn’t anyone on the couch. Her adrenaline started pumping and she could hear voices coming from inside Lin Yi’s room. Could it be...

Chu Mengyao acted on instinct and ran to Lin Yi’s room. When she entered, she could see that Lin Yi was laying in bed with Chen Yushu and Tang Yun by his bedside. She was ecstatic, Lin Yi had finally woken up! She smiled gently from what she saw.

“Yaoyao, you should go back to sleep too. Your hair is a mess, that is how I know that you didn’t sleep well,” Lin Yi had never seen his Miss in such a sorry and messy state.

Chu Mengyao blushed red when she heard that from Lin Yi. Her hair was a mess because she had just woken up from her sleep, while Chen Yushu and Tang Yun had still been awake so they were properly washed up and dressed...

“Ah... I...” Chu Mengyao stuttered. She had a shameful look. She wasn’t like herself, the normal, calm and collected Miss that she portrayed to others. With Tang Yun present however, Chu Mengyao had to suppress her expressions “You are awake, do you still need more rest?”

“Yes, I still need a little bit more. You girls should go rest,” Lin Yi spoke up.

Each of the three girls had their worries, Chu Mengyao wanted to say something appreciative. Chen Yushu wanted to ask Shield Bro what ability he had used. Tang Yun wanted to know if there was anything she could do for him, she wanted to stay by Lin Yi’s side.

However, they didn’t speak their mind. They just left the room together...

“Sigh...” Lin Yi was able to exhale out in relief. He wanted them to rest. Most importantly, Lin Yi didn’t want to talk to them yet! He didn’t know how to explain what happened to them!

For the moment, Lin Yi didn’t know where to begin telling his story. Now that Lin Yi had lost his strength, his enemies could even come seek revenge anytime. He didn’t want to bring harm to his Miss!

Without any true power to protect them, he had to watch his every step. Fortunately, his enemies doesn’t know his current situation. Otherwise, they would come and take advantage of him. Lin Yi chuckled bitterly.

He wanted to take out his phone to call Old Lin. He had to ask him if he had any ideas to help him. But the moment Lin Yi reached for his pocket, he discovered that it had been blown into pieces.

Tang Yun, Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu were all tired. They each worried about Lin Yi’s wellbeing. For the past three days, they weren’t able to find any restful sleep. The moment they left Lin Yi’s room, they were finally at peace. All the pent up stress was released at once.

They all slept upstairs in the master bedroom. Chu Mengyao didn’t mind Tang Yun at all. She allowed Tang Yun to join them upstairs in their bed.

Chu Mengyao didn’t know when she had started accepting Tang Yun, was it because she had accepted her as Lin Yi’s girlfriend? At the very least, she found that she no longer had any distasteful feelings toward Tang Yun. Was that a good thing or a bad thing?

Back then on their rotation, it was Tang Yun sleeping alone on the bed, but now all three of them have to share the bed. How good can the sleep be by sharing one bed?

Tang Yun also felt that the three of them sleeping together was slightly inappropriate, she opened her mouth to respond, “No need, I’ll just sleep on the couch downstairs.”

When Tang Yun said that, Chu Mengyao felt uncomfortable so she replied, “How can I let you do that? You are the guest, if there needs to be someone sleeping on the couch downstairs... Then it should be Yushu!”

“What? Why must it be me?” Chen Yushu asked in a confused tone.

“Haha...” Tang Yun knew that Chu Mengyao was merely being polite. There was no way she would force Chen Yushu to sleep on the couch. So Tang Yun tried to laugh it off and asked, “Is there a guest room? Can’t I sleep in the guest room?”

“Oh, there is. It is near the master room upstairs. I’ll go prepare the bed,” Chu Mengyao had forgotten that there was still an extra room available.

Chen Yushu wanted to continue her lie by saying that the guest room upstairs was Shield Bro, but Chu Mengyao was faster. The guest room had to be prepared as it had gotten dusty from not being used for a while. Chen Yushu’s lie was destined to fail, by saying that the room needed to be prepared meant that no one had occupied it for a long time.

Lin Yi waited until the girls had gone upstairs, before he came out of his room, walking into the living room. General Wu lifted its head to glance at Lin Yi. Even the animal had sensed that Lin Yi had returned to just a normal person. It couldn’t talk, but it barked twice. Lin Yi ignored General Wu. After being ignored for a bit, General Wu resumed its position on the floor.

Lin Yi wanted to use the phone line in the mansion. He had to make a phone call to Old Lin.

“Lin Yi?” Old Lin answered the phone while he was on the toilet. The phone buzzed and nearly fell into the toilet. “What are you doing? Can’t your call wait until I’m done?”

“You aren’t on the toilet again, are you?” Lin Yi heard Old Lin’s frustrated voice and was able to guess what was the cause of it.

“...” Old Lin barked in reply, “What is it that you want?”

“Old Lin, I’m useless now... I lost my power and I am just a normal person right now...” Lin Yi didn’t waste time on describing his condition. He was in poor condition and he needed assistance immediately.

“Normal person? How did this happen?” Old Lin was shocked. He wanted to hang up, but this was a serious situation.

“All my meridians have been severed. I haven’t been able to gather any pure energy...” Lin Yi eased into the truth and then told his side of the story of what had taken place.

“So from what you have told me. All your meridians have been severed by your explosion technique?” Old Lin asked in a serious tone.

“Yes...” Lin Yi was utterly speechless, “Old Lin, you are the miracle doctor, do you have any miracles you can bestow on me?”

“None!” Old Lin clearly answered. “What are you doing? How can you be so careless? Forget it... If what you say is true, then the blame doesn’t lie on you. Quickly pack up and return to seek refuge here to focus on physical martial arts. If you stay at Songshan City, it would be like courting death...”

“...” Lin Yi knew what he had to do, but he wanted to hear another person’s opinion, “Old Lin, you are being too extreme with your words. Aren’t you a miracle doctor? Do you not have any other ideas?”

Chapter 905: Lay the Cards on the Table

“There are many masters who practiced a spiritual style who damaged their meridians. Many of them are my friends. If I knew how to fix it, I would’ve treated them already. Why would I wait till now if I

knew how to do it?”, Old Lin explained, “But it’s the same as the physical style. With cultivation you can reach the peak too. From what you analyzed, perhaps there will be something good behind that stone gate. Perhaps you’ll even be able to repair your cultivations. By that time, you’ll peak in both external and internal practices...”

“It can’t be that simple,” Lin Yi heard Old Man’s words and didn’t know what to say. It was like the Old Man was saying he could reach the peak within a short time, but was that even possible?

“So what? Do you want me to tell you that there’s no hope for you and you should come home to farm for me?” The Old Man rolled his eyes, “Look at your master. Didn’t I cultivate external style first then internal style, later becoming a master of both styles?”

“Both styles...” Lin Yi sweated. This old man was surely fearless!

“Well, that’s all I have to say, have a think yourself,” Old Man Lin said, “Looked at Er Goudan, isn’t he a master of external style? Isn’t he doing fine?”

“He... Can you replicate that? Do you have more of that medicine?” Lin Yi also rolled his eyes.

“No!” Old Man Lin replied straightforwardly, “Although I can try to brew more, it’s not my business if you die from it.”

“...” Lin Yi couldn’t even get angry and felt much better, “Alright Old Man, I’ll leave after I pack up and think of what to do when I’m back!”

“Hmm... It’s best if you can get over it. As the saying goes, all roads lead to Rome!” Old Lin said, “If nothing works, I’ll make Er Goudan travel around the world with you. He’ll be your bodyguard and you can be a playful master, that’s cool!”

“...” Lin Yi immediately hung up.

However, Lin Yi decided that he was going home.

Although he had only been in Songshan for more than a month, he met many people here... This period of time was extremely precious to him and it was enough for him to think back to this entire life.

The beautiful yet strong-willed Tang Yun, cold on the outside but warm on the inside; the understanding Miss; the cute and energetic Shu; and even Song Lingshan who always worked against him but was now extremely obedient...

As well as Guan Xin, Feng Xiaoxiao, Wang Xinyan, Sun Jingyi...

Will these people become part of his life?

Kang Xiaobo, Fatty Lai, Yang Huaijun and Guan Mingxue...what will they do after he was gone?

No wonder his Old Man said that he could retire in peace after completing this mission. He thought that it was easy, but now it wasn’t the case at all!

Sitting in the familiar mansion, Lin Yi suddenly became sentimental. Perhaps he would leave tomorrow...

Lin Yi remembered a poem,

very quietly I take my leave, as quietly as I came here; gently I flick my sleeves, not even a wisp of cloud will I bring away.

Lin Yi thought that it was time for him to lay the cards on the table with Miss. there were some things that he needed to say! He needed to get ready before the enemies realise that his power was gone.

At night, Miss, Chen Yushu and Tang Yun all woke up. They went downstairs and saw Lin Yi watching TV on the couch in an extremely relaxed manner, they felt much better.

“Lin Yi, you are fine now?” Chu Mengyao and Tang Yun were happy.

“Mhm. Physical injuries are fine now...” Lin Yi only said his physical injuries were fine but didn’t mention his cultivations. He had to talk about this separately with Tang Yun and Miss.

“That’s good...” Tang Yun nodded, “What do you want to eat? I’ll cook for you?”

“I’m fine. I made myself instant noodles just then and I’m not hungry yet,” Lin Yi stood up, “Yunyun, do you want to check back at home first? You’ve been here for three days, your parents must be worried.”

Tang Yun heard Lin Yi’s words and felt down. Was he chasing her out? Lin Yi usually never called her Yunyun in front of others and she thought that something was wrong.

It wasn’t her fault for thinking like this. Lin Yi just woke up and she wanted to talk more with him, but Lin Yi told her to go home... Tang Yun felt upset and became envious of Miss and Chen Yushu.

“Okay...” Tang Yun nodded obediently.

“I’ll have dinner with you later, go and check with your parents first.” Lin Yi could see that she was upset and knew that she misunderstood him. He didn’t have a way to explain it to all three of them at the same time and decided to talk with Lin Yi later.

Tang Yun heard that and she became happy again. She nodded, “Okay, I’ll wait for your call...”

Lin Yi’s odd actions also confused Chu Mengyao and she didn’t speak until Tang Yun left, “Why did you tell her to leave? I wanted to treat you guys something to celebrate your recovery...”

After staying under the same roof for three days, Miss and Tang Yun developed a subtle friendship.

“There’s no rush,” Lin Yi shook his head and his expression became serious, “Yaoyao, Shu, there is something important I need to tell you!”

“What is it?” Chu Mengyao never thought that Lin Yi would talk so seriously to her and she wasn’t used to it, “Just tell us...”

“Exactly. Shield bro, you are scaring me!” Chen Yushu also didn’t like Lin Yi’s tone of voice.

“Ha...” Lin Yi smiled bitterly, “Then I’ll tell you the truth. Although my injuries are recovered, I’ve lost my cultivation...”

“Lost your cultivation? What do you mean?” Chu Mengyao froze as she didn’t know what Lin Yi meant.

“In simple words, I’m like an ordinary person now...” Lin Yi faked a light tone, “When I was fighting Ma Zhu, the last blow wasn’t my ace card or anything like that, I used it hoping that he would die with me.

Although I'm still alive, the explosion left both of us in an extremely bad situation. Ma Zhu is now disabled, and I'm not any better than him. I've basically lost all my powers..."

"What? You are back to an ordinary person?!" Chu Mengyao was shocked. She now understood it after Lin Yi explained, "What do you have to do to regain it?"

Chapter 906: Lin Yi Resigns

"Yes, how will you regain your powers?" Chen Yushu asked in a panic, "I read in martial arts novels that when the male protagonist's powers are gone, he must cultivate with a woman, is it true? Does Yaoyao sis need to give herself to you?"

"Pff..." Lin Yi almost laughed. This little girl was a treasure! Lin Yi was used to her energetic personality and he didn't want to leave, but there were some things he needed to sacrifice.

"Shu, don't butt in, listen to him!" Chu Mengyao glared at Chen Yushu but secretly thought, if it was like what Shu said, Lin Yi could only regain his cultivation with that method, would she accept?

Perhaps... Yes? After all, he lost his powers from saving her and almost lost his life, so what if she sacrificed something for him? It wasn't out of feelings, but one life for another! As compensation!

Chu Mengyao comforted herself like this.

But he had Tang Yun, why would he do it with her? Chu Mengyao shook her head and threw all these weird thoughts to the back of her head.

"That's not true..." Lin Yi laughed bitterly, "Those male leads are just perverted and needed an excuse to cover up for their perverted desires..."

"Uh... Shield bro, are you perverted?" Chen Yushu asked.

"..." Lin Yi couldn't answer it. Sexual desire was part of being a human and he didn't want to lie.

"Shu, why do you have so much to say? Don't interrupt him, let him speak, how can he regain his powers!" Chu Mengyao glared at Chen Yushu and scolded angrily.

"Oh ok, go ahead Shield bro, how can you regain your powers? Yaoyao sis and I stand with you!" Chen Yushu nodded.

"As to how I can regain my powers..." Lin Yi sighed lightly, "I haven't found a way yet, so I'm here to resign today..."

"You... Are leaving?" Chu Mengyao froze and looked at Lin Yi in disbelief. Lin Yi's words shocked her and she couldn't accept it! He said he was fine before, why did he have to leave?

"Mhm," Lin Yi nodded, "I'm going to search for a way to regain my powers!"

"Can't you search for it here?" Chu Mengyao panicked.

"I'm accompanying you two here because I took Uncle Chu's money. But now I've lost the powers to protect you, why should I stay here?" Lin Yi shrugged, "Don't worry. After I leave, Uncle Chu will find you a new bodyguard. Perhaps he'll be more obedient than me and won't make you angry..."

"I..." Chu Mengyao wanted to say "I don't want anyone else, I want you!", but she couldn't let it slip. She looked at Lin Yi in a daze and felt unrealistic. He's leaving? So soon?

"Oh, it's fine. You have money and you don't need that 30,000 yuan. You don't have to have salary, Yaoyao sis and I can support you!" Chen Yushu replied without overthinking like Chu Mengyao, "After you regain your powers, you can ask for a raise in salary!"

"Ha..." Lin Yi smiled, "Don't be stupid Shu. I know you aren't, right?"

Chen Yushu looked at Lin Yi in surprise with her eyes widened. She eventually lowered her head and stayed silent.

"You are going? I know that you don't care about the money!" Chu Mengyao bit his lips, "You said that we are friends! You lost your powers because of us, so and how can we chase you out? Do you think I, Chu Mengyao, will do something like that?"

"Haha..." Lin Yi looked at Miss and he was reluctant to leave, but he quickly convinced himself, "I asked to resign myself, and it has nothing to do with you! Alright, I'll go now. I need to tell Tang Yun before I leave..."

"You..." Chu Mengyao looked at Lin Yi and wanted to say something, but she closed her mouth as she watched Lin Yi headed for the door helplessly.

Lin Yi left like this, disappearing from Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu's eyes.

Chu Mengyao looked down and something felt wrong in her heart. She couldn't tell if it was sorrow or something else, but she felt extremely down.

The happiness that she found after knowing Lin Yi was healed plummeted. It was as if she lost her treasure. She wanted to cry but as she glanced at Shu and forced it back.

Yaoyao, stay strong! How could you cry for a man? It's fine if he leaves. You didn't want to mistreat him, and he wanted to leave himself... Although she comforted herself like so, she was still extremely upset.

"Yaoyao sis, is Shield bro really gone?" Chen Yushu asked.

"Yes." Chu Mengyao nodded.

"But I don't want him to go," Chen Yushu replied honestly.

"I know, but we can't stop him." Chu Mengyao shook her head.

"Not even Uncle Chu?" Chen Yushu suddenly suggested.

"Daddy..." Chu Mengyao suddenly realized that her father was the one who found Lin Yi. Would Lin Yi listen to what her father said? He should, right? Otherwise, why would he come all the way here to work so hard for only 30,000 yuan?

Chu Mengyao's eyes shone as she thought of this. She stumbled to the phone and dialed Chu Pengzhan's number.

"Yaoyao? How's Little Yi? Is he awake?" Chu Pengzhan just left work and picked up his daughter's call on the way home. He didn't ask Uncle Fu to pick him up for the past few days and he didn't hire a new driver as he was used to driving himself.

"Yes..." Chu Mengyao nodded, "Daddy, but Lin Yi left, he wants to resign..."

"Resign? Why?" Chu Pengzhan was surprised, "Is it because it's too dangerous?"

Chu Pengzhan was worried when Lin Yi was still unconscious. This time, what Lin Yi went through was indeed extremely dangerous and from Chu Mengyao's recount, Lin Yi almost lost his life.

"No... His wounds are healed, but he lost all his kungfu..." Chu Mengyao replied, "He said he's like an ordinary person now and he can no longer protect Shu and me, that's why he wanted to resign..."

"Is that so? Wait for me, I'll head over now!" Chu Pengzhan quickly said. If this was the reason, Chu Pengzhan wouldn't mind as he could hire a new bodyguard, but once Lin Yi left, he would never come back again...

Chapter 907: Marriage

When Chu Pengzhan rushed to the mansion, he saw his daughter and Xiao Shu sitting on the couch blankly, they weren't watching the television, or doing anything else, just blankly sitting there. He couldn't help but let out a sigh, "Yaoyao, what happened? You didn't explain properly earlier. Now you can tell me in more detail and we can think of a solution together."

"Daddy..." Chu Mengyao wanted to cry, but with Shu there she had to maintain her image of an elder sister. She took a deep breath, controlled her emotions and explained the whole situation to Chu Pengzhan from start to finish.

However, Lin Yi himself didn't explain everything in too much detail, so when Chu Mengyao repeated his words, Chu Pengzhan also fell into deep thought.

"Oh... from Lin Yi's words, I have a general idea of what he's thinking," said Chu Pengzhan after some hesitation, "firstly, Lin Yi wants to leave this place because he has no strength left so he can't fulfill the responsibility of protecting you. However this is nothing, you don't need to protect as an attendant, I can just find another bodyguard. The problem is Lin Yi's attitude on whether or not he'll want to stay, which I will have to discuss with him first.

Secondly, Lin Yi's afraid that his loss in power would lead to revenge from enemies. As for this, if I just find a powerful bodyguard, it won't be an issue as well. So I need to figure out what Lin Yi's thinking..."

"Yeah," nodded Chu Mengyao, reassured by her dad's words.

"Yaoyao, I remember back then you had insisted on kicking him out," Chu Mengyao couldn't help but mock her, "now he's requesting to leave himself, how come you're saying no now?"

“Oh- um...um... it’s different now! Now he’s the lifesaver of Shu and I, how could we be ungrateful?” as Chu Mengyao spoke, she glanced at Shu and asked, “right, Shu?”

“Yeah yeah, Yaoyao already decided to devote herself to him!” nodded Chen Yushu.

Chu Mengyao almost blew up in anger, all you had to do was say “yes” and go along with it, what’s with all that nonsense?

“Yaoyao, come with me for a second,” Chu Pengzhan suddenly sank into deep thought, before he stood up and beckoned to his daughter.

“Oh?” Chu Mengyao paused. Whatever the matter was, couldn’t they discuss it in the living room? There was only Shu in the living room, and she’s not an outsider either.

However, seeing that her father was already walking towards Lin Yi’s room, Chu Mengyao couldn’t help but follow.

Chu Pengzhan entered Lin Yi’s room. He waited for Chu Mengyao to come in before reaching out to close the door and said: “Yaoyao, sit down first.”

“Oh, Daddy, what’s the matter? Why are we keeping it away from Shu?” Chu Mengyao looked at her father slightly confused. She was also afraid that Xiao Shu was going to be upset because nothing was kept from her in the past.

Chen Yushu wasn’t exactly unhappy, she was just a little curious. After Chu Pengzhan and Chu Mengyao went inside the room, Chen Yushu also sneaked across to the door of Lin Yi’s room and listened carefully to what was happening inside.

“Yaoyao, tell Daddy the truth, do you like Lin Yi?” Chu Pengzhan looked at his daughter and asked hesitantly.

“Huh?” Chu Mengyao paused and stared stupidly at Chu Pengzhan, her face flushed immediately, “Dad, what are you saying? Why would I like Lin Yi?”

“Haha...” Chu Pengzhan looked at his daughter’s and laughed instead, “then do you want Lin Yi to stay?”

“I... do!” mumbled Chu Mengyao, “but what does this have to do with me liking Lin Yi?”

“Well, there’s gotta be a good reason for you wanting Lin Yi to stay?” Chu Pengzhan said with a smile, “Lin Yi is someone with guts. He’s injured and can no longer fulfill his role which is why he’s resigning. Think about it, if we say we’ll give him a raise and let him stay in the mansion, with his personality, do you think he’ll accept it?”

Chu Mengyao hesitated but slowly shook her head. Although Lin Yi could sometimes appear to be a bit thick-skinned, he seemed very principled. Therefore, it would be quite difficult for him to stay, “probably not... otherwise, he would’ve stayed earlier...”

“Therefore, if you want Lin Yi to stay, you’ll need to have a reason,” said Chu Pengzhan, “but, we don’t have any connections with him so why should he stay?”

“Oh...” Chu Mengyao could kind of understand what her father meant. If Lin Yi was her boyfriend, then maybe he’ll stay. The problem was, was he? He wasn’t!

“In other words, if Lin Yi become a part of our family, why would he leave?” Chu Pengzhan watched his daughter’s embarrassed self. He didn’t really expect her to admit to anything, but as her father, Chu Pengzhan could still guess what she was thinking, “I want you to marry Lin Yi, what do you think?”

“Huh?” Chu Mengyao widened her eyes and looked at her father in disbelief. She knew from ages ago that her father’s attitude towards Lin Yi was unusual. She even discussed this with Chen Yushu right after the first family dinner. At that time, Chen Yushu’s response was either Uncle Chu wanted Lin Yi as his son in law or Lin Yi was his illegitimate child.

Now it seems that her father had always had this thought. Chu Mengyao was a bit shocked, did her father want her to marry Lin Yi? Was this real? Then, should she agree to this?

Chu Mengyao’s breathing somewhat quickened. A voice from the bottom of her heart urged her, “Quick, agree to it! Agree to it! Isn’t this what you want?” However, another voice rang coldly, “Lin Yi has a girlfriend!”

“Lin Yi has a girlfriend...” said Chu Mengyao.

“That’s just a girlfriend though, they haven’t married yet right?” Chu Pengzhan narrowed his eyes and looked at his daughter. He then said with a half-smile “you must always fight for things, I’m just asking about your attitude...”

“I... I...” Chu Mengyao blushed for a moment, unsure of how to answer. She bashfully said “marriage is something major, how could I have a clue? I don’t even have anyone I like, if daddy wants to decide for me then I’ll just agree to it... he saved my life anyway so I should repay him for that.”

“Haha...” Chu Pengzhan laughed. It seems that his daughter’s attitude towards Lin Yi went through a drastic change, “then I’ll talk with Lin Yi and see what he thinks.”

“Ok...” Chu Mengyao nodded, extremely embarrassed.

However, just as the two people were talking and the atmosphere was very harmonious, someone pushed open the door of the room.

Chapter 908: What About Me?

“What about me? What about me?” Chen Yushu ran into the room, “Yaoyao you’re so mean, how could you forget about me?”

Chu Mengyao was shocked by Chen Yushu suddenly rushing into the room, she nearly jumped out of her chair. Although she couldn’t keep these things from Shu, Chu Mengyao was still really nervous so she still got a shock from the sudden intrusion.

Chu Pengzhan, on the other hand, didn’t know whether to laugh or to cry. He couldn’t believe that Chen Yushu still heard everything

“Haha, how could we forget you?” Chu Pengzhan smiled and looked at his daughter’s best friend. He’s aware of Chen Yushu’s personality. She acted like a lunatic but was very close to his daughter. They would probably remain best friends for their whole life.

“I’m the mistress, right Yaoyao? You promised me, are you going to break that promise?” It seems that Chen Yushu has heard the entire conversation between Chu Pengzhan and Chu Mengyao.

“How am I breaking my promise?” Chu Mengyao didn’t know whether to laugh or cry, “buy one get one free, I reckon that Lin Yi will be very happy?”

Chu Pengzhan looked at his daughter, he couldn’t detect any emotions from her expressions that went against her words. Feeling relieved, he said, “Shu, if you want to marry, as long as Yaoyao is fine with it, I’m fine with it too. As for the Chen family, you’ll have to tell them yourself.”

Chu Pengzhan wasn’t a stubborn person. Although he was an ordinary businessman, due to certain reasons, he was also able to come into contact with some hidden families of pedigree, factions, and those from an even higher level of existence. Therefore, whether his daughter and Shu were marrying Lin Yi together, he didn’t care. Only his daughter’s happiness was important. As for Chen Yushu’s Chen family, Chen Yushu would have to persuade them herself, there’s not much he could help with.

“Oh? Really?” Chen Yushu paused and looked at Chu Pengzhan strangely.

The level of truth in what she usually says was always questionable. So this time, she used the same tone to joke around with Chu Pengzhan to see his attitude. However, she didn’t expect him to be very calm, he just asked for Chu Mengyao’s opinion.

Chu Pengzhan smiled and said nothing. He stood up and walked out of the room, thinking to himself how it would be impossible for them to separate from each other. It was rare for two people to be so close, but Lin Yi, on the other hand, was still a problem...

Lin Yi has a girlfriend at school. Chu Pengzhan couldn’t really what his attitude would be like...

It seemed that his daughter was still a bit too late. Lin Yi only came to Songshan City for only one month and had already established his network. Even Liu Tianyi obeyed his words. His father was right, Lin Yi was indeed a genius, and his future was boundless...

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Zhen Dazhou stared in disbelief at his son who had become a eunuch and Ma Zhu who had his arm blown off. How was this possible? Wasn’t Ma Zhu the peak of the middle stage of Mystic Class, eighth level of the Art of the Golden Shield? How did he get so beat up like this?

Wasn’t Lin Yi only at the peak power of the Low Stage of Mystic Class? The difference between the two was so big, and Ma Zhu also had special powers to protect himself, how could he be defeated?

“Yaowang, how’s the situation? Does my son have any hope in healing?” Zhen Dazhou was full of regret. If he hadn’t dealt with Lin Yi back then and released Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu after getting the money, none of this would have happened.

He couldn’t accept this, so his regret transformed into deep hatred. Lin Yi, if I don’t kill you, I don’t deserve to live!

“No... ” Yaowang shook his head, “even though I’m known as the King of Medicine, it’s only because of my medical skills. Your son’s nuts are blown to bits already. Unless I’ve got the skills to revive dead trees, then it’s impossible for this thing to give birth!”

“Dad, I don’t want to be a eunuch! I haven’t played enough yet...” Zhen Yingjun began sobbing violently. He hated Lin Yi from the bottom of his heart. Even though Lin Yi made him a eunuch before, it wasn’t real. However, now he was a real eunuch!

Even though this was all because of Chen Yushu, but Zhen Yingjun still hated Lin Yi. If Lin Yi hadn’t injured Ma Zhu, he wouldn’t have been ambushed by Chen Yushu. So, ultimately, this was all because of Lin Yi. He wanted Lin Yi to die so badly.

“Don’t worry son, I will heal you, even if I’m left with nothing,” said Zhen Dazhou gritting his teeth. Although he earned a lot of money, he wouldn’t have any descendants, so what was the point of all that money?

Zhao Qibing heard that Zhen Dazhou would go bankrupt to heal Zhen Yingjun and his eyes lit up immediately. He knew that Zhen Dazhou had just got 250 million dollars from Chu Pengzhan, and wanted it. If he could get his hands on the 250 million dollars, then all the loss caused by the collapsed buildings would be nothing. Constructing another grandiose Qibing Building would no longer be a dream anymore.

Thinking of this, Zhao Qibing said to Yaowang, “Yaowang, can you think of other ideas? See if you can heal Zhen Yingjun.”

“Well... I’ll consider it, I’ll do some more research and see if there are any good ideas?”

Even though Yaowang’s main purpose was to deceive people, he still needed techniques. He couldn’t just make them up. It was true that the more he healed patients the worse they would get, but the premise was that after he cured one sickness another one would appear. Yet, the current situation for Zhen Yingjun made him a bit helpless.

However, in order to earn money for Bingshao, Yaowang felt like he should think about this again and see if he could come up with any solutions.

“Okay, sorry for the troubles Yaowang,” Zhen Dazhou would never have thought that Zhao Qibing and Yaowang wanted to continue to deceive him. He still thought that it was because of this period of contact that everyone has gotten familiar with each other and formed some friendships so it was hard for Yaowang to continue.

“All good, all good...” nodded Yaowang.

“Oh right Ma Ye, what did the boss say?” Zhen Dazhou turned to face Ma Zhu. At that moment, Ma Zhu was also in a miserable state, his whole body was wrapped in bandages.

“The boss didn’t really say anything. My master will also send my senior and junior apprentices over...” Ma Zhu spoke up to here and felt sorrowful. He was the youngest and most promising pupil. Having trained up to Eighth Level of the Art of the Golden Shield, he was already a Physical Master of the peak stage of the middle stage of Mystic Class, and he was the hope of the entire division!

His master sent him to the boss's side to train him and to protect the boss. After all, the boss has created a lot of profits for the division every year... Initially, Master had said that once he reached level nine of the Art of the Golden Shield, he could return to the division and walk freely as the Young Commander. However, all of that hopeful thinking was destroyed at that moment...

Chapter 909: Yaowang's Suspicion

He was crippled. Not only did he lose an arm, but his whole side was broken. Even the other side that wasn't injured was affected, with barely three levels of the Art of the Golden Shield's power. He could still be a small gangster but it was impossible for him to be a master.

Even if the injuries healed, the missing arm would still make it more difficult to train from the beginning. Besides, even if he trained from the beginning, who knew how long it would take for him to restore his current power? Fortunately, Master heard about him getting beat up like this and threatened to avenge him.

Master already promised him, once he has arranged the matters within the faction, he would send another master to the boss and come to Songshan City to help avenge him. He wanted to eliminate Lin Yi and the Chu family.

"That's good..." at the moment, Zhen Dazhou did not have the power to get even with Lin Yi, he could only rely on Ma Zhu. Since Ma Zhu and himself carried the same hatred, he knew Ma Zhu couldn't bear with it. Zhen Dazhou pretended to be inadvertent and asked "Ma, Lin Yi gave you such heavy injuries, what did your Master say?"

"Hmph! Lin Yi will die! My Master's gonna eliminate Lin Yi and Chu Pengzhan's family!" replied Ma Zhu coldly without hiding anything, "they're all going to die!"

Ma Zhu did not have a single doubt that Lin Yi and Chu Pengzhan wouldn't die after his Master came down from the mountain. No matter how many helpers they find, it would all be useless, they were all going to die! Whether his Master could kill the helpers was hard to say, but even if the helpers were high in power, they wouldn't be able to kill his Master

The reason was very simple, his Master was the grand successor of the Art of the Golden Shield. There wasn't a single flaw on him, and with his ability to withstand attacks, even the attacks from a master of the ground tier wouldn't have any effects on him. Even if Lin Yi's master came and used the same pure energy bomb on Master, he still wouldn't be hurt.

The grand successor of the Art of Golden Shield was invincible! Ma Zhu's Master was called Invincible Jin! Of course, he wasn't called this before, he changed his name to Invincible Jin after mastering the Art of the Golden Shield. Not to mention the ordinary masters, even if a road roller went over him, he would still be unscathed.

"Great! If there's anything us Zhen family can do to help just let us know," Zhen Dazhou was overjoyed. This time the revenge plan has finally been settled. On the other hand, Zhen Yingjun was also beaming. Lin Yi would die this time!

“We’ll talk about this later,” Ma Zhu was annoyed, even killing Lin Yi and Chu Pengzhan was hard to compensate for his injuries. He was crippled, completely crippled! What should he do in the future?

“However, Ma Zhu’s injured to this point, is Lin Yi fine?” Zhao Qibing was already doubting that Ma Zhu’s master could kill Lin Yi. Zhen Yingjun also bragged that he could kill Lin Yi when he brought Ma Zhu over earlier.

The results weren’t promising. Zhen Yingjun was wrecked and Ma Zhu was also wrecked. The two cripples brought him money again! Although Zhao Qibing could make a lot of money from medical expenses, he wanted Lin Yi to die. If Ma Zhu actually killed Lin Yi, Zhao Qibing would rather not earn his medical expenses, he would even give him some money instead!

“Accordingly, Lin Yi should also have been seriously injured,” said Yaowang after hesitating, “according to my analysis, I’m afraid Lin Yi’s injuries this time is very serious and fatal! If he could injure Ma Zhu like this, he wouldn’t be too well off. If I’m correct, I think his meridians are all broken!”

“Meridian’s all broken? Isn’t he a cripple then?” Although Zhao Qibing didn’t train, he was still aware of the situations of those who trained.

“Yes!” Yaowang nodded, “even if he is a doctor, I’m afraid it’s still impossible to completely recover. So, Lin Yi should be the weakest now...”

“Makes sense!” Zhao Qibing nodded. He was about to say something, but looked up and saw Li Zihua walk in and quickly asked, “Zihua, you came back at the right time. The people you sent out to find out about the situation, what did they say?”

“Lin Yi’s pretty much fine, he came out of the Chu family’s mansion like he was never injured in the first place, but Li Fu couldn’t be seen at all. I think he either couldn’t be treated or he died,” said Li Zihua.

“Lin Yi’s recovered? That’s impossible!” Yaowang was shocked, “His medical skills were this brilliant? He must have used pure energy to self-heal such heavy injuries?”

“Could it be that his powers have been restored already?” Ma Zhu paused, the hatred emerging on his face. If Lin Yi’s current state was very miserable and was suffering from serious injuries, he would’ve felt balanced. However, Lin Yi was perfectly fine. It was unacceptable for him!

“I’m not sure... he’s this powerful?” said Yaowang in disbelief while his brows creased.

“Is that Lin Yi not human? Shit, how is he so badass?” Zhao Qibing widened his eyes, but fortunately, he had prepared himself. Lin Yi was like this before, he already lost faith in those who bragged about how they could easily kill Lin Yi. He was very confident that Lin Yi wouldn’t die. This guy was like a cockroach, he could go through a nuclear bomb and still not die!

“Wait no!” Yao Wang suddenly slapped his thigh and said, “you said you didn’t see Li Fu?”

“Yeah, Lin Fu never appeared... Chu Pengzhan drove himself in this period of time...” said Li Zihua.

“Hahahaha! I know now. This time Lin Yi was injured as well! He doesn’t have enough pure energy to heal Li Fu!” Yao Wang laughed, “I’m afraid that Lin Yi walking around now is only because he has healed on the surface. The truth is, his power has not recovered!”

“Oh? In that case, this is a good chance to deal with Lin Yi?” A flame of hatred suddenly shot up in Ma Zhu’s eyes.

“I’m only guessing though, but I’ll still give Mr. Ma Zhu a piece of advice, you shouldn’t fight Lin Yi with your injuries!” Yaowang shook his head and said mildly, “even if his strength hasn’t recovered, your strength is also in bits and pieces. You two are the same. Not to mention Lin Yi, with your current situation, it’s hard for you to escape from even the surrounding of a few strong men!”

Even though the words of Yao Wang were a bit harsh, Ma Zhu knew he was telling the truth. He couldn’t help but lower his head. Indeed, with his current half-baked strength, he wasn’t an opponent to anyone. Half of his body was already wrecked, and he didn’t have any good moves on the offense. Before he could depend on the hardness of his body and hit at random, but now, even if he met a few strong men, they could just kill him! That was because half of his body was the same as ordinary people.

“But I don’t want Lin Yi on this Earth for even another moment!” said Ma Zhu gritting his teeth, “I’m itching for him to die right now!”

Chapter 910: Lin Yi’s Final Decision

Lin Yi’s Final Decision

“Haha, Ma Zhu, don’t we have the same idea?” Zhao Qibing laughed helplessly, “Lin Yi blew up both of my skyscrapers and Lin Yi was the one who broke my leg. Don’t I want him dead too? I do! But I know that I can’t kill him right now and all I can do is wait. I have to wait for my father to send masters to me, or wait for Lin Yi’s other rivals to kill him!”

Ma Zhu nodded. He knew that in the current situation, he could do anything.

“Which houses did Lin Yi offend recently? We should make his rivals act this time!” Zhao Qibing turned to Li Cihua and asked.

“Hmm... Other than An Jianwen, the other one is Zhong Pingliang!” Li Cihua replied, “I only know these two, but An Jianwen hasn’t been looking for troubles recently and Zhong Pingliang followed you... None of them can harm Lin Yi! Oh right, Xiao Ji from House Xiao came to visit me a few days ago and they asked about Chu Pengzhan and his subordinate...”

“Oh? Did you treat them? Did you tell them about Chu Pengzhan?”

“House Xiao doesn’t have any grudges against us and our relationship with them is quite harmonious. Although I’ve heard that they are getting kicked out of House Yu, nonetheless they are still somewhat useful so I didn’t neglect them,” Li Cihua said, “As for Chu Pengzhan, of course, I told him. It was obvious that he loathed Chu Pengzhan so I gave him the records of both masters working under him. But when Xiao Ji heard that Lin Yi was at the mystic division, he hesitated for a while and said nothing else!”

“Oh? How about this, get a few gangsters and test to see if Lin Yi actually lost his powers or not. If not, we’ll spread the news out!” Zhao Qibing pondered for a while, “I don’t believe that Lin Yi and Chu Pengzhan don’t have any other enemies other than us! From what we can see, House Xiao probably wants to take revenge, and we just have to wait for them to do it!”

“I understand!” Li Cihua nodded and left.

After Lin Yi left the mansion, he drove towards Pengzhan Shopping Mall. Before he met with Tang Yun, he had to be prepared!

Lin Yi didn't purposely hide from a few men tailing him around the mansion. He knew that these people were probably ordered to come here by Zhao Qibing. After Zhen Yingjun and Ma Zhu were injured, he will definitely go to Zhao Yaowang for treatment and it was normal for Zhao Qibing to test his powers.

Hence, the more Lin Yi showed that he didn't care and acted normally, the more he could confuse them, making them think that he regained all his powers.

However, he neglected Uncle Fu and didn't know that Zhao Qibing also surveilled Uncle Fu.

Even if Lin Yi knew about it, there was nothing he could do. He only healed his own external injuries and his damaged meridians weren't getting better at all, there was no way he could treat Uncle Fu.

Lin Yi drove to the mall to purposely make them think that he was uninjured! Lin Yi had to hide this news until Chu Pengzhan found another master that could help them!

Lin Yi wanted to leave tomorrow but thinking that the problem between Zhen Yingjun and him wasn't over yet, he couldn't leave them alone before Chu Pengzhan found another bodyguard. He forced himself to stay and stay on a low profile so no one could take advantage of his current situation.

However, Lin Yi didn't know that Yaowang already guessed the loss in his powers.

Lin Yi parked the car in the underground car park and asked the security guard before going to the first level's jewelry section.

“Hello sir, are you here to pick some jewelry?” Lin Yi arrived at a shop called “Liu Weishan Jewellery” and a shop guide approached him enthusiastically.

“Yes,” Lin Yi nodded. He didn't expect this place to have such great service. He originally planned to look around but now he decided to buy it from here.

But inside the mall, every jewelry's products were similar and the main difference was service.

“Sir, who is it for? For yourself, or for a friend?” The guide asked.

“I want to buy a ring for my girlfriend,” Lin Yi replied.

“Ring? Girlfriend?” The guide nodded, “Is it a normal present, or an engagement ring?”

“Engagement ring...” Lin Yi sighed lightly. Tang Yun was the first girl to confirm a relationship with him and he made such a decision before he left.

“Over here, please. These are all wedding rings. What price range would you prefer? We have multiple ranges, thousands to ten thousands and more...” The guide pointed at the rings inside a display shelf.

“This one. How much is it?” Lin Yi didn't know much about jewelry and didn't know how to pick it. He picked one with the biggest diamond on it as he heard that the bigger the diamond, the better the ring was.

“This...” The guide jumped. The one Lin Yi wanted was the most precious ring of the entire shop! Her heartbeat accelerated. If she sold that, how much percentage could she take from it? She only started working here a few days ago, and if she could sell this, she will make a fortune!

“What’s wrong?” Lin Yi saw her hesitation and asked.

“Nothing...” The guide shook her head, “This ring is the treasure of our shop and it’s locked inside. Please wait for a moment, I’ll call the manager and ask him to open it for you!”

“Okay.” Lin Yi nodded.

When the guide was about to make the call, another shop assistant in a shop for “Yun Guang Du Jewellery” looked at Lin Yi in disdain and sneered, “You should ask if he can afford it before you make the call. If you call like this every day, you’ll be wasting money on making calls!”

Lin Yi frowned and thought, is it any of her business that he wanted to buy a ring? Is it because no one bought it from her shop? But Lin Yi didn’t want to cause a scene at a time like this and forced himself to calm down.

“I’m sorry sir, please ignore her,” the guide smiled at Lin Yi apologetically and continued to make the call.

“Humph! Throwing my good intentions away!” The other shop assistant snorted coldly and turned around. Indeed, she was jealous of Liu Weishan Jewellery’s sales volume and wanted to chase the customers away through harsh comments, “Look at what he’s wearing, how could he afford your shop’s treasure?”

Chapter 911: I Have Something Important to Tell You

I Have Something Important to Tell You

In fact, the shop guide from Yun Guang Du Jewellery saw Lin Yi’s desire to make the purchase. However, she didn’t think that Lin Yi could afford it and she just wanted to ruin the sale.

“It’s fine, I’ll take this. Call your manager over and take it out. I’ll go pay with you first,” Lin Yi was slightly annoyed but didn’t bother since he must keep a low profile.

“Huh? You are buying it?” The guide jumped. Lin Yi didn’t even have a look at it and he bought such an expensive ring without looking at it carefully? But when she saw Lin Yi taking out his diamond card, she immediately knew that Lin Yi could afford it!

She was glad that she chose to treat everyone passionately and the other guide from Guang Yun Du was shocked! Those who owned a diamond card were all important clients of the company!

These people could meet and talk with the upper management and if Lin Yi told the managers how rude she was, she probably will not only lose her job, but even the brand will be removed from the mall!

The guide’s expression turned grave as she thought about it. She turned around and wanted to say something nicer, but Lin Yi already left to pay. However, Lin Yi never wanted to do that anyway.

Lin Yi took the 300,000 yuan ring and drove towards the hospital. Tang Yun's house wasn't furnished yet and she still stayed in the hospital.

Lin Yi called Tang Yun and asked her to wait for him in front of the hospital.

When Lin Yi arrived, Tang Yun was already waiting outside. A light breeze swept past her hair and skirt and the silhouette in the sunset was just as breathtaking as the first time he saw her.

"Ha..." Lin Yi took a deep breath and made his decision, but he didn't know what Tang Yun's decision will be.

But no matter what Tang Yun decided to do, Lin Yi would definitely support her!

"Yunyun!" Lin Yi rolled down the window and called out.

Tang Yun looked rather energetic. She saw Lin Yi and smiled sweetly. She skipped over and opened the door to the front passenger's seat and settled down, "This feels great. I thought that what happened three days ago was a dream and you were never hurt..."

"Hah..." Lin Yi heard her words and smiled bitterly. He didn't know how to respond to her and he didn't know what to say to her.

"What's wrong?" Tang Yun saw Lin Yi's odd expressions and asked.

"Nothing. Should we find a place to eat first? What do you want to eat?" Lin Yi changed the topic.

"Okay," Tang Yun nodded, "You just recovered and we should have whatever you want! My Mom said she'll make you barbeque but she couldn't do it in the hospital. Should we do that after the new house is furnished?"

After it's furnished? Where would he be at that time? Probably back to his old home?

"Let's go to Starlight Hotel then," Lin Yi never took Tang Yun to this kind of luxurious hotel before. It wasn't because Lin Yi couldn't afford it, but because he didn't care to show off and he wasn't interested in it.

But today, it was his last dinner with Tang Yun and he wanted it to be formal. Even if Tang Yun didn't agree with his decision, it would be a precious memory to him...

Tang Yun was surprised as she watched Lin Yi driving into the car park of Starlight Hotel, "Isn't it expensive here? Why here all of a sudden? We can just have something simple if there's only the two of us!"

"Didn't you say we are celebrating my recovery? Here it is then," Lin Yi said.

"Oh, alright," Tang Yun felt painful for his wallet. She wasn't a greedy person and her personality was completely different from her mother. From her point of view, even if she was poor, she should act with integrity.

Lin Yi asked for a small room and because it was an ordinary room, there was no need to book it ahead.

Tang Yun had been to the best hotel which was Pengzhan Business Hotel where Miss treated her, and here, Starlight Hotel.

Lin Yi passed the menu to Tang Yun and she jumped as she flipped through it. The dishes were exceptionally expensive; the price of one dish was enough for them to eat an entire meal elsewhere.

She hesitated for a while and passed it to Lin Yi, "You should order it..."

"Ha..." Lin Yi knew what she was thinking and randomly ordered a few dishes before telling the waiter to leave. The main purpose was to talk the matter out with her, not for eating.

"This is a waste of your money!" Tang Yun looked at Lin Yi and pouted. Although she knew that Lin Yi could earn a lot, but she didn't want to waste it! Money should be used where needed, and she didn't like spending so much money on an average tasting meal.

"You haven't even married me yet, and you are already taking control over me?" Lin Yi laughed.

"So what? Don't you want me to be?" Tang Yun stared at Lin Yi with widened eyes.

"Yes, if you are willing to continue looking after me..." Lin Yi was smiling when he spoke, but sadness filled his heart...

"I will unless you don't want me to anymore!" Tang Yun heard Lin Yi's words and she was pleased.

"I'm afraid that you won't want me," Lin Yi replied solemnly.

"?" Tang Yun looked at Lin Yi in surprise. Although he sounded like he was joking, she was confused by Lin Yi's expressions, "Why are you so serious?"

Lin Yi was just about to respond but the waiter knocked on the door and began to serve food.

Lin Yi didn't order any food that was difficult to make so everything was served soon. He did this intentionally so that the waiters won't come in and out to disturb their conversation.

"Yunyun, there's something important I want to tell you today," Lin Yi stayed silent for a while before speaking up.

"Huh?" Tang Yun almost forgot Lin Yi's seriousness and wanted to try the food, but she quickly put down her chopsticks and looked at Lin Yi inquiringly, "What's wrong? What's so important? You look so serious, and it's scary..."

Chapter 912: I Do !

Tang Yun was hesitating, she had both good and bad thoughts. Could it be that Lin Yi doesn't want to be with her anymore? His relationship with Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu were growing stronger. No matter how she compares their qualities, she still felt inferior to them. It could be possible that he was planning on breaking up with her!

Even though this is the very first time Lin Yi had asked her out on a date to a high-class restaurant, Tang Yun had a terrible feeling on the inside. Her heart rate increased.

“Yunyun my injuries haven’t recovered completely!” Lin Yi decided to cut right to the point. He was being frank with Tang Yun. There was no need for any flowery words between them. She had heard from Chu Mengyao and Chen Yushu about his status, but Lin Yi didn’t get to tell her yet. Lin Yi went straight to the point “Even if my injuries are healed, my powers are gone...”

“Ah? Are you in danger?” Tang Yun was shocked by the sudden turn of events. She didn’t expect this type of talk from Lin Yi. Most importantly, Lin Yi wasn’t about to break up with her! It must be a serious injury for Lin Yi. It made Tang Yun even more worried about what was to follow next!

“There is no danger coming from my condition and injuries. But, if my enemies find out about my condition, then I’m afraid that I’ll be in danger!” Lin Yi bitterly smiled.

“Oh, why are you telling this to me now? You shouldn’t be telling anyone!” Tang Yun wasn’t expecting this at all. “Don’t worry, I won’t tell anyone. I will keep this a secret!”

“Ah... Yunyun, you misunderstand me,” Lin Yi laughing it off. He could tell that Tang Yun was extremely nervous and worried for him, but remained calm.

“Misunderstand?” Tang Yun was confused.

“Yes, the reason why I’m telling you this is because I have resigned from being Chu Mengyao’s bodyguard” Lin Yi replied.

Tang Yun continued to be surprised, but it was the happy type of surprise. So when Lin Yi had lost his power to protect himself, it was time for him to leave his position. Wasn’t this exactly what Tang Yun had wanted?

“Then, where will you live from now?” Tang Yun’s face burned red. “When my new house is done with the renovations, do you want to move in?”

“Ahh...” Lin Yi started to blush too when he looked at Tang Yun. His heart was moved. It wasn’t easy for the shy Tang Yun to speak up like that. Lin Yi shook his head. “I told you before, that if my power doesn’t return then my rivals will come looking for me. I don’t want to drag you down...”

“Then you mean to say...” Tang Yun had an unexplainable tension that was just bubbling within her. Just like a big event was about to take place! The joy, she had felt when she heard the news that he had quit being a bodyguard, was gone.

“I have to leave Songshan City soon, I need to return to my village...” Lin Yi said his main purpose. He felt sorrow, but he had to come to terms with his decision. In the end, people will venture out and move away.

“You... You don’t want me anymore? You don’t want me?” Tang Yun felt her heartache. It was like a hammer banging down on her heart. Her heart started aching because deep down she knew this day would come, but she didn’t think it would come so fast...

“It is not that I don’t want you... it might be that you wouldn’t want to be with me...” Lin Yi was shocked by the huge reaction from Tang Yun. From his impression, Tang Yun was a strong woman, but who would’ve thought that she was so weak-willed?

"I don't want you? Why wouldn't I want you?" Tang Yun wanted to cry. She was so upset that she couldn't comprehend from the hidden meaning behind Lin Yi's words. Lin Yi was being rather crafty.

"I don't have any power anymore, I can't be so cocky like before. We could probably be in poverty. Do you still want to be with me in that condition?" Lin Yi was able to confirm Tang Yun's feelings. Seems like the engagement ring wasn't a wasted purchase! There are some things that he has to be frank about before proposing!

"Lin Yi, I'll bite you to death!" Tang Yun teary-eyed staring at Lin Yi. "Do I look like the type of woman who is only there for the money? That's not me, that's my mom!"

Tang Yun wasn't thinking about what she was going to say when she used her mom as an example. But, it was the truth, her mom was quite greedy...

"Ah... Lin Yi sighed. He had to tell her the worst-case possibility. Tang Yun was a city girl. Would she be able to withstand the simple life of a villager? "My village is very desolate. There's no skyscrapers and not much variety of food selection, not much of anything really. You won't see many cars around, and only a few houses have phones. The common way of communication is by shouting at one another. Many of the houses are run down. We don't have indoor heating, so to heat up the house, we use firewood. There's no private bathroom, only a community bathroom... You are a girl, are you sure you can withstand that quality of life?"

"Of course I can! Don't forget that when I was living in the houses of shantytown, we gathered our own firewood for winter. I had to use the community bathroom daily, so there was no private bathroom at home! This lifestyle suits me! It was perfectly designed for me!" Tang Yun started speaking in a crazed tone.

"Haha... But, what happens if I can never recover my powers? You will have to spend your life with me in that village. Are you willing?" Lin Yi heard Tang Yun's words, he felt moved.

"I do! I am willing!" Tang Yun nodded. She never cared for whether if Lin Yi had his powers or not. She didn't even care if he had money. All she ever cared about was his personality.

"Okay, then I'll go back first. When you are finished with high school, you can continue college. Then come find me. Think of it as a cooldown period for you to think about your decision. I hope you didn't choose it on impulse" Lin Yi logically replied.

"I'm not acting on impulse," Tang Yun shook her head. "I'm speaking from my heart, I just need time to help my parents settle down... I will be marrying somewhere far away, so I need time to comfort them... But you aren't messing around with me, right? You won't reject me when that time comes?"

Tang Yun had recovered to her normal state of mind. She could tell that Lin Yi wasn't lying to her. He would have to leave soon and he needed her to figure out her future.

"Hm..." Lin Yi suddenly pulled out a beautiful small square box and placed it in front of Tang Yun. "I wouldn't. I have thought long and hard about how I should tell you. Now that I have finished what I needed to say... This is for you!"

Tang Yun was surprised, her heart raced. She didn't dare to open the box. It was a box that she had seen in dramas many times before. But, could it be an engagement ring?

Tang Yun was shaking as she picked up the box to open. The diamond reflected brilliantly off the lights in the room, the brightness was mesmerizing. Tang Yun's eyes lit up! It was an engagement ring! Tang Yun felt so moved. She felt so fortunate. She felt like the happiest woman on earth...

Chapter 913: Is it Accidental or Premeditated?

"It's very beautiful..." Tang Yun stared at the engagement ring, the diamond was beyond anything she has ever seen on display shelves. She couldn't help but ask "You... What does this mean?"

"Oh..." Lin Yi pulled out the ring and looked into Tang Yun's eyes "Are you willing to come with me?"

"I... I do!" Tang Yun nodded. She felt as if she had walked into a wedding ceremony as the bride.

Lin Yi held up her hand and slipped the ring on. Their hearts were racing.

His powers were gone, but he was able to bring home a wife. Lin Yi didn't know how Old Lin would react?

The dinner started with a solemn tone but ended with warmth.

Lin Yi had to leave, but that doesn't mean he would leave behind Tang Yun. Because it wouldn't be long before she joined him!

After they had finished dinner, Tang Yun placed the ring back into the box before leaving the room.

"Oh, why aren't you wearing it? Are you going back on your word" Lin Yi joked around.

"Only an idiot will go back on it! I'm afraid of having it stolen. You don't have any power anymore, so I want to remain low-key. I don't want unwanted attention," Tang Yun glanced back. She carefully placed the ring box in a more secluded pocket.

"Oh..." Lin Yi thought to himself. He had found a very understanding girl. She was a keeper, right?

Lin Yi paid for the meal and departed with Tang Yun. Little did he expect that in the parking lot of Starlight Hotel, Li Cihua had been planning a little stunt...

"Manager Zong, thank you so much for your help!" Li Cihua graciously thanked Starlight Hotel's General Manager.

"Ahh, whatever Master Bing needs, how can I not do my best?" Manager Zong smiled at Li Cihua. "It isn't a huge request, it is something I can do within my ability!"

Li Cihua nodded, "Okay Manager Zong. I won't hold you up on your duties, if you don't have anything else to do in this area then you should leave. I don't want anything to get traced back to you,"

"Okay, then I will leave now. I just hope that Brother Cihua doesn't do anything that will attract too much negative attention that will affect business!" Manager Zong voiced his concerns.

"No worries, I will keep that in mind," Li Cihua nodded in agreement.

As Manager Zong left, Li Cihua boarded into a parked Buick Van. The windows all around were all dark-tinted that didn't allow any light in.

In the parking lot, there was also a white Nissan van that was also prepared. It was an older version of a modified van, the type that triads love to drive!

These types of modified vans were low-budget costs. They were perfect for gangsters to jump out to slice and dice the enemy. If they get surrounded by police cars, then they could easily abandon the van since it only cost a few thousand yuan.

As Lin Yi and Tang Yun returned back to the parking lot, they boarded their car. Lin Yi ignited his car, but then the jade pendant vibrated a weak warning!

There was danger, but it wasn't a huge threat that Lin Yi couldn't handle. That was what Lin Yi thought when he got the signal.

Lin Yi surveyed his surroundings, then discovered that the Nissan van that was going to be blocking his car from going in reverse. There were already parked cars from the front and to his side, his only way out was in reverse.

Lin Yi frowned. Which idiot would park in such a precarious place? Could it really be an accident?

Lin Yi honked twice to signal that he wanted to leave, but the people within the Nissan van were ignoring him. They acted like they hadn't heard him.

There was no way about it, Lin Yi got off the car, he went to the driver side of the van and glanced in. One of the bald gangsters was wearing sunglasses while smoking a cigarette. This gangster didn't heed any attention to Lin Yi, he didn't even turn his head.

The jade pendant had sent a warning already. So Lin Yi was already on alert mode, how could situations like this happen? Lin Yi knew that something wasn't right already. According to the policy, the only people that eat these establishments are wealthy socialites. Even if these gangsters were wealthy, they wouldn't go causing trouble without reason, right?

What could these gangsters be plotting?

However, Lin Yi had lost his power, he didn't want to blow his cover. If he could swallow his pride and talk his way out of this, that would be for the best. He knocked onto the tinted window of the van.

"The hell?" the bald gangster rolled down the window to blow smoke to Lin Yi's face.

"I want to leave, can you move your van?" Lin Yi had a gentleman's attitude while he asked. If Lin Yi wanted to eliminate normal people like these, he still had his skills to do so.

Killing people didn't rely on power, it was the technique. However, with so many witnesses present, Lin Yi didn't want to risk it for only a few gangsters. Lin Yi was in a troubling situation.

"Leave? Where do you want to go? I'm waiting for someone!" The bald gangster rudely answered back.

"You can wait for your person, but I have to leave!" Lin Yi didn't want to court trouble, but trouble had arrived at his doorstep!

"I am waiting here. Can't you wait for a while longer?" The bald gangster waved his hand. "You should step away from me!"

"..." Lin Yi frowned. His eyes narrowed as he said "You don't want to do this, I don't want trouble. Don't force my hand,"

Lin Yi wasn't afraid of trouble, but his patience could be worn thin. If someone with evil intentions was watching him, then they will know immediately that Lin Yi had lost his power, so Lin Yi couldn't deviate too much from his original personality.

Even if Lin Yi could hold in his anger, he wanted to leave. But that would mean facing his troubles head-on! It was at this moment that Lin Yi found out how painful it was to actually be powerless.

"What did you say? We aren't moving from here!" the bald gangster barked in reply, then he pulled out the keys from the ignition. Following up, he got out of the car and five other gangsters got out too.

"I'll repeat this again. I don't want to stir up trouble today. Don't force me," Lin Yi calmly replied.

"Then, I will force you. I want to see what you can do to me," the bald gangster ignored Lin Yi's threat. He locked the van and started to leave.

Lin Yi went into action, with fast movement, he was able to strike the neck of the bald gangster. With these techniques, Lin Yi should've been able to knock him unconscious.

This was when Lin Yi discovered something odd. The bald gangster was beyond the average person; he was more agile. Right as Lin Yi was about to strike the bald gangster, he missed. The bald gangster had dodged the attack and calmly looked at Lin Yi "So you want to fight? I guess you don't want to live?"

Chapter 914: Her Intentions

Her IntentionsLin Yi's heart skipped a beat. Something wasn't right in this situation. The Baldy's capabilities were beyond that of a normal gangster. As of now, Lin Yi didn't have much energy remaining. With the wounds on his body not completely healed, his agility was slower. However, it should have still been enough to handle normal people.

That meant that Lin Yi's strike had not been able to hit the target! What did that show? It meant that Lin Yi was weaker than a normal person, and that the opponent was mediocre!

Lin Yi was well aware of his condition. There was another explanation, it was that this opponent was a veteran fighter. Not the type of fighter that trained in physical arts but the type that was self trained in physical endurance! Definitely stronger than the average person.

So if this person wasn't your local gangster, what could explain why he was here, playing that role? It was starting to sound more like a plot targeting him to reveal his card.

"Apologize!" The Baldy looked at Lin Yi, "I'll give you three seconds to think over your actions. Otherwise we will beat you up until you will kneel and apologize!"

Lin Yi sighed deeply, this was definitely planned! Someone had this trap laid out for him, it was simply too coincidental, making it almost seem like a show. Lin Yi had been caught off guard.

Could it be people sent by Zhen Yingjun? Was this to test if he was still injured?

Lin Yi smiled bitterly. Seems like getting physical was unavoidable. Lin Yi couldn't rely on his facade to get by, it wouldn't provide the definitive result his enemies needed to stop testing him.

Lin Yi was in a bad position. He couldn't force his way nor could he retreat. If he backed off now after they had provoked him, then any of his enemies could tell that he hadn't recovered. He didn't have any power to back his words anymore so how could he get the Baldy to move his car?

If he fought, there may be even more chances for him to blow his cover, but this was beyond something that Lin Yi could overlook. No matter what Lin Yi did, it had to show that he still has the power to back his words.

"In that case, let's see who will kneel for whom," Lin Yi replied. With a sudden quick step, he was standing behind the Baldy. In a downward chop on the neck region, he knocked out the Baldy, sending him the floor...

This was a move that Lin Yi had planned to use as his trump card. The steps and attack were qigong that Lin Yi almost never used before. This was his secret skill that he didn't want others to know that he knew.

"Damn it, brothers attack him! He attacked our bro! Cripple him!" Several of the henchmen surrounded Lin Yi.

"Can't you read the situation? Your boss is already down. It only took a few seconds for him to kneel in front of me," Lin Yi pointed at the henchman, "If you move your car, I won't bicker with you,"

Now that Lin Yi had exposed his strength, he needed to talk with Chu Pengzhao to find a replacement bodyguard as soon as possible. He couldn't stay in Songshan City anymore, since he would just be magnet for trouble.

There was still a sliver of hope that these gangsters aren't Zhen Yingjun's men, and this was all a coincidence.

"You attacked our boss, so you have to stay behind. Otherwise, we would no longer have any pride if rumors spread around talking about how we allowed a nobody get away!" One of the henchmen spoke up.

"Okay then," Lin Yi had prepared himself. He had made his decision. If he had to reveal his power, then he needed to use these set of ghostly steps and the knockout strike. At least it would be able to mask his true strength for awhile longer!

The speed of the ghostly steps was not the speed that practitioners could ever reach. As for the knockout chop, it was derived from basic forms of combat. In each attack, no energy was used to empower it.

Normally in this situation, the enemy would find the knockout strike suspicious, but they would also be weary of his ghostly steps. By mixing in both, Lin Yi was hoping to confuse anyone watching so that it would buy him precious time to escape.

With so many people as his opponent, he couldn't afford to mess around. He relied on his fighting techniques and not his brute strength which would have definitely revealed his condition if his enemy was watching closely.

Half a minute later, the henchmen were all on the floor kneeling. Lin Yi didn't do anything too extreme, and had broken a few of their limb bones, as punishment.

Finally, Lin Yi grabbed the car keys from Baldy's body, then he drove the Nissan van forward. He quickly returned back to his car and drove away.

During this whole fiasco, not a single security guard appeared. This meant that it had been orchestrated, as it was highly unusual for this to ever happen. This made Lin Yi rush his preparations for departure.

"Ah..." Tang Yun watched Lin Yi from the car. She relaxed and asked, "I thought you said you lost your power? That was frightening!"

"My power is gone, but my core foundation is stronger than the average person," Lin Yi smiled. He was worried about Tang Yun overthinking things, so he didn't tell her his worries.

"Those people are despicable!" Tang Yun didn't realize that it had been someone's ploy from the beginning. She turned her head and asked, "Where are we going now?"

Tang Yun never felt the oncoming danger, she was still in her happy dream where she would live with Lin Yi happily ever after.

The man would farm, while the woman would weave. A simple joyful life until the day their hairs turned white.

"I'll send you back to the hospital? Before I leave the city in two days, I need to leave behind instructions so this might be the last time I see you," Lin Yi spoke up.

"Oh..." Tang Yun was slightly disappointed that her date was so short, but she didn't say anything. She knew that Lin Yi had official business to take care of, so she wouldn't bind him down for her sake.

Lin Yi parked his car near the hospital entrance, but Tang Yun didn't want to leave so soon. They both were unsure when they would ever meet again... Tang Yun didn't want to let go.

Lin Yi was her first love, she had him locked in as the one to marry. This was the power of first love.

"Then... I'll leave now. You have to be careful!" Tang Yun knew that this wasn't the time or place to be sweet. Even if she didn't want to let go, she knew she had to let go.

"I will. I will wait for you to come find me," Lin Yi cracked a smile between his lips.

"Okay..." Tang Yun opened up the car door, then she turned back to Lin Yi and kissed him on the cheek. Afterwards, she ran off blushing...

Tang Yun had already used her actions to prove her true intentions.

In the end, Tang Yun was a shy girl, being able to take initiative to kiss Lin Yi, meant that she had accepted him as her husband.

“Ooh...” Lin Yi touched the part where Tang Yun had kissed. He smiled, this is definitely a girl who he could care about for a lifetime.

As he watched Tang Yun leave, Lin Yi’s smile faded. He started up the car and left People’s First Hospital.

Chapter 915: Time for Revenge

Shortly after Lin Yi had departed from the Starlight Hotel, Li Cihua got out from the car he was in. Along with Su Jiaonang and his injured henchmen, they went into a reserved private room in the restaurant.

Sitting inside the room were Yaowang and Zhao Qibing.

They glanced up as someone entered their room and Yaowang quickly got to work to examine the injuries.

“Brother Cihua, that kid is too powerful, we all got injured helping you do your task!” The Baldy started speaking loudly.

“Don’t worry, I will pay the agreed amount. I will also compensate you for your injuries. You will be paid handsomely!” Li Cihua continued, “Stop running your mouth if you want to be treated!”

The Baldy had achieved his goal, all he wanted was more money. So as soon as he heard what he wanted, he just remained quiet for the rest of the time.

They were mercenaries that Li Cihua had hired from out of town. Their main task was to test Lin Yi. They weren’t given any details of Lin Yi’s abilities, they were only told to give him a good beating.

With this in mind, the Baldy thought that it was going to be an easy task with so many of his men. Who would’ve thought that this task was harder than it sounded, and now all his men were injured.

Little did they know that Lin Yi wasn’t even at his former power level, otherwise, they would’ve been in a far worse condition.

Yaowang examined every person’s injuries. Then he waved for Li Cihua to come over and said, “Send them to the hospital, I’m done,”

“Yes!” Li Cihua assigned Su Jiaonang with the task as he left with the henchmen out of the private room. Once they had left, Li Cihua asked “Yaowang, so how was it? Did you see any issues?”

“All their injuries were physical, there were no signs of energy disruptions to their bodies,” Yaowang continued, “Lin Yi always loved to use his energy to injure people, so from this test it shows that Lin Yi has not recovered yet. Can you tell me what exactly happened during the fight?”

“Okay!” Li Cihua quickly started to explain how Baldy had caused trouble.

Yaowang nodded as he listened. Then he laughed and said, “Seems like we were right. If I’m correct, Lin Yi has not recovered from his injuries. Right now, his energy makes him a little stronger than your

average person! It was just a van that blocked him, so if it was from before, he would've just pushed it away. He wouldn't have the need to look for the car keys!"

"Oh? In that case, then Lin Yi that bastard will finally fall into our hands?" Zhao Qibing got excited from listening. "Seems like this Ma Zhu was quite capable to have harmed Lin Yi to this state! Now is our chance?"

"Master Bing, even if Yaowang was correct in that Lin Yi might not have power anymore, we shouldn't rush into action. We should wait for other people to settle their differences with Lin Yi first. Then by the time they are done, we can just sit back and enjoy the rewards with a more weakened Lin Yi!" said Li Cihua. "I was thinking of letting House Xiao do all the hard work for us!"

"That is right! Quickly, go spread rumors that Lin Yi has been injured with his powers not fully recovered. Uncle Fu is also critically injured, he might die soon!" Zhao Qibing sneered. "Now is time for revenge, to settle all their differences!"

"Yes, Master Bing, I'll go spread the rumors!" Li Cihua grinned as he nodded.

In a peaceful serene mountainside, filled with forestry, with a pavilion overlooking the surrounding, there was a young lady playing her musical instrument. The lady was beautiful, and although it was hard to gauge her actual age, she was in her early to late twenties.

With just one look at this beautiful lady playing her instrument with hands fluttering back and forth on the strings, and mountain forestry, lively animals, floral scent, it was like a scene from a painting.

No longer a teen, with the maturity of a woman; she had lost the naiveness of the youth while retaining her beauty.

If Lin Yi was here, he would be in awe of the beauty standing before him. She was so perfect as if she was carved out from a sculpture!

As for the song she was playing, she looked up with a sad expression. She had yet to be fully immersed her surroundings, and instead, let out a deep sigh.

"Palace Master, Elder Li has requested an audience with you, he controls the Dark Shadow group!" A maid quickly passed the word to her master.

"Oh? Let him in to meet with me," the palace master was slightly happier when she had heard that it was Elder Li.

"As you wish, Palace Master!" The maid left quickly.

Shortly after, an older male of around fifty years old, dressed in all black clothing approached. There was nothing spectacular about his facial features, everything was normal. He had the face that could blend into crowds

"Li Moshen pays his respects to Palace Master!" The older man approached respectfully in a near bowing stance.

“Elder Li, you don’t have to be so courteous with me!” Palace Master Su Yi waved her hand nonchalantly. She quickly got to the point, “Elder Li, is there a reason for this urgent meeting?”

“Yes...” Elder Li glanced at the maid, and stopped speaking.

“Xiao Qing, leave with the others to stand guard outside by the road. Don’t let anyone else come near us. I have something important to discuss with Elder Li!” Su Yi commanded.

“Yes, my master!” the maid nodded and left the vicinity.

“Elder Li, do you feel more comfortable now that the outsiders had left?” Su Yi stood up and began speaking informally with Elder Li. It would seem like their relationship was quite close.

Once Elder Li had confirmed that the maid was far enough away, he walked closer to the pavilion and whispered, “Miss, this is about the younger miss...”

“Her... What is wrong? Did she encounter trouble?” Su Yi got nervous by his sudden change in demeanor.

“The young miss was kidnapped...” said Elder Li, but Su Yi interrupted.

“What? She was kidnapped? By who? Is she in danger?” Su Yi quickly asked.

“It was planned by a young master from Donghai City, who was accompanied by a peak mid-tier mystic stage physical master that had trained in Golden Protection with proficiency level 8...” Elder Li continued, “According to the intelligence gathered by the Dark Shadow group, the young miss’s bodyguard, Lin Yi, has lost most of his energy from the fight. His current status is unknown, and Li Fu’s status is also unknown.”

Chapter 916: I Really Can’t Let Her Go!

“What? So there won’t be anyone protecting her from now on? What if that Zhen Yingjun comes back for revenge, what then?” Rather than the composed look she had when playing the strings, the palace master was now but a little girl, panicking and lost.

“Uncle should be able to get someone to protect the Miss...” Elder Li himself didn’t sound so certain.

“Then what do we do? Do you have any plans, Uncle Li? The people under you?” The palace master asked urgently.

“Miss, there’s nothing I can do... Because of his concerns for you, the High Elder has stripped away much of my influence... I may be Head Elder today, but the resources I can immobilize are but only the Dark Shadow group I created myself...” Elder Li sighed, speaking helplessly, “The High Elder pulling back my power means that it’s basically impossible for me to use any masters in this Dark Palace.”

“But... Will she be in danger?” The palace master frowned, losing composure.

Elder Li was about to speak when a strict, icy laugh interrupted him.

“Hmph, just look at you, stuttering about. You still call yourself a palace master?”

An elderly woman with the appearance of a sixty year-old appeared outside the pavilion, her strict eyes on the two inside.

“High Elder, why have you come...” The palace master jumped from the sudden voice.

“Grace to the High Elder...” Elder Li held his fists together and gave her a bow.

“I’m sorry, master... The High Elder insisted on coming up, I didn’t dare halt her...” Xiao Qing recoiled, somewhat frightened.

The palace master shook her head- why would she put any blame on her? Xiao Qing was a maidservant, of course she wasn’t able to do anything.

“Wan Er! You’re the master of the palace, and you should behave as such! You think I’m unaware of you making Elder Li use the shadow group to learn about the common world? I’m only letting it happen!” The woman looked at the palace master coldly, “Just how many years has it been- can’t you move on?”

“High Elder, she... is my daughter, after all... Her veins hold the same blood of the dark phoenix race...” The palace master spoke as she averted her gaze, as if she were a kid who had misbehaved.

“Hmph, daughter? A bastard with unclean blood, an insult to us practitioners of ancient arts!” The High Elder made a noise of disapproval, “You bring up a disgrace such as this, and yet still dare propose we bring this bastard home and give her our name? Why? So that those of the Sky Dan Sect can laugh at us?”

The palace master merely lowered her head at the words.

“Hmph, if only you’d married the second young master of the Sky Dan Sect- us of the Dark Palace would never have fallen to this laughable position, a laughing stock for the other sects,” The High Elder seemed to have struck an old wound when mentioning this. She gave a cold hmph before speaking to the palace master named Wan Er, “You’d best rest your heart from now on and put that effort into training- and reach the Sky class in ten years! Don’t blame me if I murder the bastard along with her bastard father otherwise!”

With that, the High Elder took her gracious leave, leaving behind a sulking palace master.

“Miss, I’m sorry, I really didn’t have a choice!” Elder Li sighed, “The High Elder’s doing this for the sake of the Dark Palace- she may be extreme and tyrannical, but serving the sect has been all she’d ever known. She’d never gotten married, and gave her life to the Dark Palace and to Madam Chairman, who treated her like a sister... They’re my elders as well...”

“I know, I know... but... I really can’t let her go...” Tears streaked down her eyes.

“Miss, there’s something I’m not sure I should say...” Elder Li said after some hesitation.

“Just speak your mind, Uncle Li- what’s there to hesitate for?” Wan Er asked, confused.

“Miss, with the High Elder’s personality... If you really do manage to break into the Sky class, then we’d have two Sky class masters in the Dark Palace holding a position in the Sky meetings- even if you do bring your daughter back, who’d dare laugh at us of the Dark Palace then? Even the High Elder wouldn’t be able to say much?” Elder Li said after hesitating some more.

“But, breaking through from Earth to Sky... It’s easy to say, but managing it... is an extreme feat.” Wan Er said with a nod and sigh at the same time.

“You were born smart, Miss, with the blood of the dark phoenix race. Breaking through is but a matter of time.” Elder Li said.

“Uncle Li... Please do help me continue keeping an eye on her...” Wan Er said.

“Worry not, Miss. Looking after her is my responsibility as well,” Elder Li nodded.

Lin Yi parked his car back in the mansion after sending off Tang Yin.

He wanted to give Chu Pengzhan a call on the road since he had something important to discuss, but the chairman gave him a call first.

“Hello, Uncle Chu!” Lin Yi answered.

“Mhm, Yi... Where are you? Yao Yao said that you were on a date with Tang Yin?” Pengzhan asked suspiciously.

“I’m on my way back. Is something wrong?” Lin Yi didn’t catch the intention under his tone- he was focused on telling him how he discovered that he’d lost his strength, after all.

“It’s nothing, I’ll wait for you to come back and we can have a talk?” Pengzhan decided after hearing that Lin Yi was heading back.

“Alright! I have something I need to discuss with you as well,” Lin Yi paused before nodding in agreement. He didn’t know what Pengzhan wanted, but it probably had something to do with his loss of power.

He parked his car in the yard, pushed the door and walked in- to see the Miss and Shu sitting on the sofa, watching TV, which was surprisingly playing a housewife training program instead of their usual show...

And the two were quite immersed in it...

Lin Yi didn’t understand these two misses at all. Their tastes had made quite a jump.

Pengzhan turned towards the door from the sound. He walked out of Lin Yi’s room, nodding towards him, “Yi, welcome back.”

“Yeah. Uncle Chu, let’s talk in our room?” Lin Yi had certain things he didn’t want the two misses to listen in on, lest they got worried. Seems like Pengzhan had the same thoughts as well!

Chapter 917: Chu Pengzhan’s Terms

Mengyao blushed, assuming that Lin Yi already knew what Pengzhan wanted to talk about when he suggested discussing matters in Lin Yi’s room.

“Alright,” Pengzhan nodded before moving into the room with him. He closed the door properly before making a gesture for him, “Do sit, Lin Yi. No need to be courteous with family.”

“Okay, Uncle Chu,” Lin Yi had already gotten used to how Pengzhan treats him at this point. He sat in front of him.

“Yi, I heard from Yao Yao that you’ve lost all your strength, and that you’re planning on resigning. Is this true?” Pengzhan asked.

“Yes, Uncle Chu- to tell the truth, I’m not much stronger than a regular person now. I can barely protect myself, so watching over Yao Yao and Shu is pretty much an impossible task at this point,” Lin Yi said bluntly, “I have no choice but to bring up my resignation!”

“I see...” Pengzhan nodded, “You’ve lost your strength, but there’s not that much to it... It’s just that you’re a normal person now, nothing wrong with that. Ah, what do you think of doing business??

“Business?” Lin Yi paused, not sure where this is going, “I think it’s fine...”

“All rivers lead to Rome- business is a good path to success as well,” Pengzhan said, “Yi, you’re already the second shareholder of Pengzhan Industries, aren’t you? Learning to do some business will do you well too. I do have to retire one day, after all, and the company must live on...”

Lin Yi froze upon hearing the words- Pengzhan hadn’t said it outright, but the connotations were clear as day, and Lin Yi was no fool. Pengzhan was saying that he’d keep Lin Yi around as his inheritor!

“Uncle Chu, Pengzhan Industries has to go to Yao Yao’s hands, not to an outsider, right?” Lin Yi shrugged with a laugh, rejecting the proposal.

“Haha...” Pengzhan laughed slightly, changing the topic, “What do you think of Yao Yao, Lin Yi?”

“Yao Yao? She’s fine...” Lin Yi looked at Pengzhan suspiciously, not sure how to handle such erratic discussion topics.

“Oh, do you like Yao Yao then?” Pengzhan said, cutting straight to the chase seeing that his implications regarding the inheritance wasn’t going anywhere with Lin Yi.

“Wha-?!” Lin Yi froze yet again, his eyes wide as he pondered the assault from Pengzhan’s question. How was he supposed to answer this?”

Like... If Pengzhan was talking about like, then, of course... but Lin Yi had to measure his words carefully before he understood Pengzhan’s intentions.

“Yao Yao’s pretty and cute, the flower of the school, and the target of many boys...” Lin Yi said in a roundabout way, while also implying that he thought that way too.

Outside Lin Yi’s room were two little spies, eavesdropping on the discussion.

Mengyao’s heart tightened upon hearing Pengzhan bring up the topic, her breathing becoming rapid as well.

“Oh, Yao Yao, what do you think Shield Bro will say?” Shu asked.

“Shh!” Mengyao was worried Shu’s nonsense would make her miss Lin Yi’s answer.

But, when Mengyao received the entirety of Lin Yi's answer, she couldn't help but feel a tinge of disappointment- why couldn't this bastard Lin Yi just get straight to the point instead of darting around like this? Do you like her or not? Stop talking about other people!

"Haha. Then what about you?" Pengzhan looked at Lin Yi.

"I think... Any boy who's spent time with her would like her..." Lin Yi shrugged. Pengzhan didn't look like he was stopping anytime soon, so he had to give him a slightly more direct answer.

"Alright, let me put this another way," Pengzhan could see what Lin Yi was thinking as well, "I'd like to pass on Pengzhan Industries into your hands so that you could bring it to glory!"

Lin Yi, naturally, understood what Pengzhan wanted now- no wonder he brought up the company, and brought it up again.

"Uncle Chu, I have a girlfriend already..." Lin Yi smiled bitterly, "I think you already knew that, but I was just on a date with her too...I even gave her a ring."

"Oh?" Pengzhan said after hearing Lin Yi's response, clearly not expecting his seriousness towards Tang Yun. Now things were more complicated- his daughter may be able to accept Shu, but could she do the same for Tang Yun?

"Uncle Chu, actually- I know you put a lot of trust in me, I'm very grateful for that!" Lin Yi said, "But marriage is a different matter- the people involved need to agree, and I don't think that Mengyao would like me, so, maybe if you were to suggest it to her she might say yes due to her gratitude for me, and give an answer she wouldn't wholeheartedly give otherwise... And that's not fair to her! And not fair to Tang Yun, too..."

Lin Yi really didn't think that the Miss would genuinely like him. She'd be thankful, yes, but as for the 'fighting over him' that she was doing with Tang Yin... It was something under Shu's influence. As far as Lin Yi was concerned, the Miss only had feelings of gratitude towards him, and the feeling of safety he brought with him to her life.

Tears dripped instantly from Mengyao's eyes.

I like you, of course I like you! Who said I didn't??

Mengyao wanted to burst into the room and tell him everything- but she couldn't!

Lin Yi's attitude made it clear that he wouldn't give up on Tang Yun- what was the point of bursting in at all? Just to make a laughing stock of herself? Maybe beg Lin Yi to let her be a mistress, and Shu to be the little mistress??

The Miss wasn't able to do something like that, nor would she be able to propose it!

"From what I see, Yao Yao seems to be in rather good terms with Tang Yun?" Pengzhan wasn't expecting such a unyielding rejection... It was true that he didn't want his daughter fighting another girl for Lin Yi- from his perspective, good men must devote themselves to one love, just like what he did himself!

But, the promise he made as a father... For his daughter's happiness, Pengzhan's words revealed a hint of his willingness to compromise.

In other words, if both Tang Yun and Mengyao didn't mind... Neither would he!!!

Lin Yi froze once more, and he couldn't understand. Just what in the world did he do to warrant this special treatment, trust and respect from Pengzhan? Just from the first time he came here the man was already being respectful towards him, not in any way an employer should be acting towards his employee...

Yes, Lin Yi didn't understand at all. He didn't know what sort of secrets were in play here, and the old man wasn't telling him anything. Pengzhan wasn't being very clear on the matter, and Lin Yi felt that there was something bigger here at play!

"Uncle Chu, do you mean..." Lin Yi looked at Pengzhan with disbelief.

Chapter 918: I've Never Liked Him At All!

"You're a smart man, Yi- I'm sure you know my intentions?" Pengzhan looked at Lin Yi.

"Uncle Chu, why are you so nice to me?" Lin Yi couldn't take it anymore.

"This... Well, this does have some certain secrets attached, and I can't really reveal them yet..." Pengzhan could only smile bitterly- even his own father didn't give him the details.

He only remembered his father telling him sternly- that if he wanted to see his wife again, if he wanted House Chu to prosper, then Yao Yao had to have Lin Yi's heart...

Pengzhan didn't know what fueled his father's conviction, and he received no answers when asking about it... It just wasn't time yet, he supposed.

"Haha..." Lin Yi sighed slightly, with a smile, "I'm grateful for your love and trust, Uncle Chu, but even if I agree... Would Yao Yao? This time, I'm heading back to my old home to see if I can recover my strength, and Tang Yun would be coming back with me... Yao Yao's a Miss of a wealthy house- she wouldn't be able to tolerate living conditions like that. A straw house, a public washroom, the hot and cold... It's not an easy thing to live like that, and I don't want to hurt Tang Yun either..."

"I..." Pengzhan didn't think that Lin Yi would still be insisting on leaving. He wanted to keep him in Songshan, but the thought of letting his daughter go suffer with Lin Yi... It was a difficult situation. Would his daughter agree?

Mengyao wanted to rush inside, to tell him that yes, she could take it! Of course she could, why couldn't she, when Tang Yun could? Yet those final words from Lin Yi held her in place- stopping that rush of adrenaline.

Lin Yi- didn't want to hurt Tang Yun!

Yes, even if she could accept Tang Yun, putting herself down and only accepting the mistress position... Would Tang Yun want that? Could she accept that?

"Shu, let's go!" Mengyao's first confession reached Lin Yi via her father, and still, it was a rejection, completely unredeeming... The Miss' fragile heart was very much hurt.

“Yao Yao, I think Shield Bro probably does like you! You sure you don’t want to try a little more..?” Shu could see that Mengyao was sad.

“Hmph?! Who does he think he is? Three wives?? In his dreams!” Mengyao stomped her foot, “Let him go, let him go! Who cares about that dumb bodyguard? I’ll make my dad get a better one, ten times better, also ten times better-looking! I... I-! I never liked him at all, in the first place! Arrogant man!”

“Oh, Yao Yao, it’s true that lying to yourself and others is relieving, but if you wanna cry, then cry! I’ll be the shield on your back, always by your side!” Yushu said.

“Cry? Ha? Why would I cry? Lin Yi’s the one who doesn’t know what he’s missing, why would I cry?” Mengyao stumbled her way upstairs before plopping her head into her pillow- the tears unable to be held back anymore as they flowed out...

Yushu, on the other hand, was deep in thought in front of her room. The problem now wasn’t much of a problem to her... Wouldn’t things be fine if Mengyao just sought after being a mistress, like her?

“Yao Yao, maybe I should talk to Tang Yun about this..?” Yushu asked carefully.

“Talk about what? I don’t need her charity!” Mengyao couldn’t hold in her sorrow in front of Yushu anymore- she hugged her, and started crying.

“Don’t cry, Yao Yao! I’m here for you!” Yushu said quickly.

“Yushu... Did I mess up from the start? Was I wrong?” Mengyao asked after crying for a while.

“I don’t know, but I think you shouldn’t give up, Yao Yao!” Yushu said.

“What else can I do?” Mengyao shook her head, “Alright Shu, I’m fine now, I’m happy now... Let’s not talk about him.”

“That’s a lie, Yao Yao!” Yushu said.

“I don’t like him at all, okay? I never liked him from the start, not now, not before, not ever!” Mengyao shook her head, determined.

“Oh... Fine then, I was still thinking of helping you too,” Yushu shook her head, disappointed.

“You have a plan?” Mengyao paused, looking at Yushu.

“What’s the point? You said you don’t like him,” Yushu shook her head.

“Then why don’t you just say it like we’re chatting? We don’t have anything to do now anyway,” Mengyao said, “What if you fall for him in the future, who knows? Just treat it as a rehearsal?”

“Oh. Well, I think that actually the first thing we need to do is make Shield Bro stay!” Yushu said, “Otherwise, we all know what would happen when the two live alone in some mountain somewhere... We’ll have no chance then!”

“Ugh... But, I thought he has to go back?” Mengyao asked.

“Well, he could come back as long as he regains his strength!” Yushu said, “So, we’ll just tell him and make him promise that he’ll come back to the villa once he’s strong again. Then you’ll have a chance again!”

“You mean you’ll have a chance,” Mengyao’s lips wouldn’t budge, “But how do you know he’ll recover for sure?”

“I’m prophet Shu. Sometimes I’m Red Flag Shu, but anyway my prophecies are always spot-on!” Yushu said confidently.

“Ok, then do what you want. I don’t mind either way,” Mengyao didn’t understand why, but her heart secretly held a celebration completely contrasting her impassive face.

“Worry not, Yao Yao! Leave it to me!” Yushu claimed as she took on the task.

Downstairs, in the study, Lin Yi had no idea that his talk with Pengzhan had been overheard. Though, even if he did know, he had to say it- it hurt, but he had no choice!

He’d taken a liking to Mengyao and Yushu- it was a fact, but he couldn’t hurt everybody just because of that fact!

Staying in the villa would only cause Mengyao trouble! All those enemies he had would come to the doorstep for blood, and the two would only be collateral damage. This wasn’t something Lin Yi wanted, and he had to leave in order to prevent that.

“Yi, is there really no more room for consideration?” Pengzhan looked at Lin Yi with a bitter smile, having used up all his cards, to no avail.

“Uncle Chu, honestly... Of course I’d want to stay here,” Lin Yi shrugged, “But there are a lot of people who want revenge, and I wouldn’t be surprised if they come knocking soon. I can barely defend myself, let alone Yao Yao and Shu- I’d only drag everyone down.”

“Yes... That makes sense. But what if I were to hire a bodyguard for all three of you?” Pengzhan asked.

Chapter 919: Enemies Scheming From All Sides

“Uncle Chu, even if you were to hire a bodyguard- it’s not like I could just lie around in this villa under protection forever,” Lin Yi said helplessly, “I need to eventually recover my strength! That’s why I’m resigning, it’s so that I can find out how!”

“Ah... You’re right! A man must have his sights set high!” Pengzhan nodded, “You won’t be able to recover in this villa?”

“It’d be hard, and I don’t have the method yet. I’d have to search for a way,” Lin Yi said.

“I understand- I won’t stop you anymore!” Pengzhan understood that Lin Yi had made up his mind- there was no need to say anything anymore.

“But, I hope that you’ll continue to treat this place as your home after you’ve left- a place for you to rest whenever you’re in trouble!”

"I will," Lin Yi nodded, "I'll always be good friends with Yao Yao and Shu!"

"Hah... Good," Pengzhan kept it at that. He shouldn't be butting into young people's affairs too much, and now that things have turned out like this, there was little he could do other than give him his blessing, "Hope you regain your strength soon!"

"Thank you, Uncle Chu!" Lin Yi only smiled bitterly to himself. Recovery didn't seem very likely anymore, and leaving the villa for his old man's house was really just for its safehouse purposes. Recovering power like that wasn't that easy.

Plenty of spiritual practitioners lose their abilities completely after receiving nerve injuries, and were left with little option than to practice physical martial arts instead, from square one.

Yet, with the wounds these people had, even going the physical route would prove to be a high challenge. Many of them only reach the end peak phase of the golden class, with no chance of breaking through for the rest of their lives!

Strength through physical arts may seem easier to train at the beginning, but upon reaching a certain bottleneck threshold, the difficulty raises substantially. Training your body to the limit would slow down the improvement pace...

Those like Ma Zhu- unless they were full with latent talent and perfect composition- would never reach the same playing field!

Thinking about it, Ma Zhu must be in a much more dire state than him. Lin Yi's nerves may have been cut off, but there was still the possibility of physical practicing. Ma Zhu, on the other hand, would probably have to go home and work the fields.

"But, Uncle Chu... I feel that my enemies have already realized by now- that I've lost my strength. My thought is that you should quickly hire another bodyguard as my replacement, or there'd be trouble..." Lin Yi turned serious at the topic. "I am in conflict with many people, who are after all, also your enemies as well. Many have their sights on me because of Yao Yao, but if they come and see my absence, I'm worried that they would turn on you and Yao Yao instead."

"I'm aware of that!" Pengzhan nodded. "I've already contacted Uncle Fu's sect junior- he has also worked as a bodyguard before, and is currently guarding a businessman since his employer's away from the country right now. It's a one time mission, so he will be able to come over upon its completion. He gave me the contact of a bodyguard company, as well- I'll hire one from there for now."

"Oh, what's their class?" Lin Yi asked.

"I heard it was Mystic," Pengzhan said.

"That should be enough. As long as it's not too big of a grudge, he should be able to deter our enemies," Lin Yi said after thinking. "When is he coming?"

"In these next two days," Pengzhan said. "Today or tomorrow."

"Okay, I don't have to worry then!" Lin Yi nodded.

Having finished their discussion, Pengzhan first took his leave to deal with company matters, which had been keeping him busy these past few days. Lin Yi, on the other hand, guessed that the two misses were upstairs sleeping. They were lacking in sleep this past while, too.

Come the morning of the second day, Mengyao and Yushu came walking down holding hands, with the miss. It was not much different from how they usually were so Lin Yi didn't think much of it.

"Lin Yi, when are you leaving?" Mengyao asked.

"These next two days, until Uncle Chu's bodyguard arrives. I'll leave after that," Lin Yi said, feeling a little sour from the sadness.

"Oh. So you're leaving from the villa?" Mengyao asked.

"I think so," Lin Yi nodded.

"Then tell Shu and I- we'll send you off," Mengyao said.

"Okay," Lin Yi looked at Mengyao a little oddly- she seemed to be a lot more composed, compared to yesterday?

In the villa area, House Xiao had already moved inside the newly purchased villa.

Xiao Jizheng glared at his wife Gou Huli, "Look what you've done! What kind of people have you been pissing off? Thank god I didn't listen to you and sent Uncle Pi to Chu Pengzhan- or our House Xiao would be in deep shit right about now!"

"What's wrong? This wasn't even my idea, why are you blaming me?" Gou Huli said, feeling wronged, "Didn't we investigate already, Chu Pengzhan only has a golden class end peak phase called Uncle Fu, a physical practitioner! Our Uncle Pi is a mid phase physical Mystic class!"

"Hmph, but Chu Pengzhan has one more master other than Uncle Fu! An early peak phase Mystic!" Xiao Ji said, "Good thing for us I visited the big fish here, Master Bin- otherwise we'd be going against them without knowing shit! An early peak spiritual practitioner is on the same level as a mid-phase physical practitioner, not to mention they've got a late phase golden class physical master on their side! We'd be suffering the losses!"

"Ah? That can't be true, this Chu Pengzhan- isn't he just a small businessman? How's he got so much man power? You must have gotten something wrong?!" Gou Huli's mouth gaped open, shocked and in disbelief.

"Hmph, as if Master Bin would make that mistake!" Xiao Ji said coldly, "That early phase Mystic is called Lin Yi, and he's even responsible for breaking Maser Bin's legs! You still think there's a damn mistake? Master Bin hates him to the bone at his point, of course he knows what level he's at!"

"No way, the guy beat Master Bin up? Does he have a death wish?" Gou Huli couldn't keep her voice in from the shock., "The what about me, did I suffer for nothing?"

"Then what do you think we should do? The guy has two masters, you think we'll get off easy if we fight that?" Xiao Ji was actually feeling quite troubled as well, since he'd planned on squeezing out a large sum of money from Pengzhan- it'd have helped his business in Songshan quite a bit!

Only after doing his research did he know that Pengzhan had two big tigers with him!

It was at this moment that the second brother of House Xiao walked in on the raging Xiao Ji. He spoke with a smile, "Don't worry, big bro- there's no need to scold sis-in-law! I just received a big piece of news!"

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"Oh? What news?" Xiao Ji paused before asking.

"Li Fu just got injured and is barely getting by. Chu Pengzhan's daughter got kidnapped, and while that Lin Yi bodyguard did manage to save her, he received severe injuries as well!" Xiao Ben laughed. "The police might've hidden the information, but this isn't much of a secret for people like us!"

"Oh? Someone made a move on Chu Pengzhan?" Xiao Ji said, taken aback, "Who was it? Did they have high level practitioners with them?"

"House Zhen of the East Sea, they extorted two hundred fifty million from Chu Pengzhan, and they also had the help of a mid-phase Mystic class, a physical practitioner!" Xiao Ben said, "I heard that he's injured as well, and is healing himself at Master Bing's, but that's all I know, I don't have any details. What's for sure though, is that this is a great opportunity for us House Xiao!"

"Two hundred fifty million, that much?!" Xiao Ji's eyes lit up as he licked his lips. "I was only thinking a hundred million at first, I didn't think they'd be deadlier than us! Bro, if you do more research, and if both these bodyguards of Chu Pengzhan are done for, then it's the perfect time for us to move in!"

"Of course, I know!" Xiao Ben nodded, "I've already sent Xiao Wangba and Xiao Wangdao out to gather information- we'll have news soon! This type of thing is hard to contain, after all!"

"Wahahaha! Even god is helping us!" Xiao Ji started laughing maniacally. He looked at his wife, "Hu Li, you've done us a great deed this time! Otherwise we really wouldn't have any grounds to demand money from Chu Pengzhan!"

"Then why'd you yell at me just now?" Huli was also overjoyed now that the masters of the Chu House were done for- not only could she get her revenge, but their family had a big sum of money coming their way!

"Haha, I didn't understand the situation earlier!" Xiao Ji said happily as he embraced his wife, "Don't worry, this piece of cake is ours for sure!"

"Big Bro, how much should we ask for this time? We said one hundred million last time, but that isn't really enough, is it?" Xiao Ben felt that House Xiao was finally in a position to earn something good. "Those Zhens are really quite the lions, too, asking for two hundred fifty million! And Chu Pengzhan actually gave it to them!"

"We need to at least ask for two hundred!" Xiao Ji said, "This Chu Pengzhan sure is rich, isn't he! We'd really be wasting this golden opportunity god gave us if we don't ask for more!"

The two were just talking when Xiao Wangba and Xiao Wangdao returned, happily exclaiming their news upon entering the door, "Dad, uncle, good news, super good news!"

"Oh? What good news?" Xiao Ji and Xiao Ben looked at each other, already guessing what the good news might be.

"Li Fu might still not be able to make it, and that Lin Yi... He's lost all of his power!" Xiao Wangba said, "The news is all over the place now!"

"How reliable is this information?" Xiao Ji asked happily.

"We're not too sure, but Dad, don't you know Master Bing? You could ask him to confirm it, he should have the most reliable source, considering who he is!" Wangba said.

"Alright, I'll give him a call right now!" Xiao Ji nodded before taking out his phone.

Zhao Qibing was already waiting for House Xiao to make their move after telling Li Cihua to spread the news- but he wasn't expecting for just one day to pass before they started calling! With a smile on his face, he picked it up, "Hello? I'm Zhao Qibing!"

"Master Bing, I'm from House Xiao, I'm Xiao Ji!" Xiao Ji still treated Master Bing with quite a lot of respect. After all, being from one of the noble houses himself, Xiao Ji understood that Qibing came from the hidden noble houses, an existence much greater than those noble families! Qibing may be a bastard, but he was a bastard from a powerful house!

"Oh, Uncle Xiao! Is something the matter?" Qibing said, as if he didn't know why he was calling.

"Here's the thing, I heard that something went wrong over there on Chu Pengzhan's side?" Xiao Ji had already asked for Pengzhan's information from Master Bing before, also hinting at his hate for Pengzhan with his words while checking out Master Bing's attitude. If the man wanted to protect Pengzhan, then Xiao Ji would drop the notion of revenge immediately. What he didn't expect was that Master Bing was enemies with Pengzhan in the first place! Now he had no cause for fear at all, directly showing his intentions instead.

"Oh, so that's why you called, Uncle Xiao?" Qibing noted that the family sure was enthusiastic indeed. But that was a good thing for him, the more people that had a grudge with House Chu and Lin Yi, the happier he was! "That's right, I've already confirmed my sources- Li Fu's injuries are severe and haven't healed yet. Lin Yi, meanwhile, is now a completely normal man, with no powers whatsoever! Uncle Xiao, you guys have nothing to fear!"

"Haha, I see! So you've personally done the research, Master Bing?" Xiao Ji was overjoyed- he was originally worried about the reliability of the information, but now that he heard that it had come from Master Bing's side, he had no reason to worry anymore.

"You should also be aware of my history with Lin Yi. Now that something like this has happened to him, of course I'm planning something as well!" Qibing gave an intentional pause at this point. "Zhen Dazhou's extorted a lot of money from Pengzhan's side- two hundred fifty million! I'm quite envious of that, so I've been thinking of trying to get a share of the cake myself!"

“I see, haha, that’s great! Thank you, Master Bing!” Xiao Ji hung up the phone before enthusiastically turning to Xiao Ben.

“Lil, bro, the source is from Qibing himself! Lin Yi is completely powerless, and Li Fu on a sickbed! Even Master Bing’s feeling envious of the money Zhen Dazhou got from Pengzhan, and he’s thinking the same thing as us! We need to make a move!”

“Oh? I see! Then we really do need to hurry! It’d be too late if Pengzhan got squeezed dry, otherwise there’d be nothing left for us!” Xiao Ben nodded, “Qibing would take a big bite out of Pengzhan for sure, we really need to make the first move...”

“That’s right! I’ve already made contact with Qibing already, anyway- he wouldn’t blame us if we went for a share of ours!” Xiao Ji said, “Maybe we should go now?”

“Alright, we’ll bring Uncle Pi directly to Chu Pengzhan!” Xiao Ben said, gritting his teeth, “If we don’t make a decision now, the money would all be gone!”

Inside Chu Pengzhan’s office was a man with the presence of someone greater- a forty year old male in a grey robe. He looked strong.