

Chapter 1351

A Night of Coincidences

During dinner, Lin Ruoxi didn't have an appetite so she had just a few bites and decided to go pick Hui Lin up. The Yang clan didn't stop her as her relationship with the Lin clan was deep despite the fact that she wasn't related to them by blood.

Lanlan made a fuss when she heard that Lin Ruoxi was picking up her aunt so Lin Ruoxi had no choice but to bring her along.

Once they arrived at the arrival hall, Lin Ruoxi walked to the gates and put down her bangs to avoid any unwanted attention.

Technically for Hui Lin's popularity, she should've used the VIP tunnel but because her comeback was supposed to be a surprise to her fans, she didn't dare to make a big deal out of her return. All she did was wear a pair of big sunglasses and a mask to avoid being recognised.

Ten minutes passed and a wave of travellers walked out of the gate. Walking amongst them was Hui Lin, dressed in a retro red and blue checkered sweater matched with a grey skirt. Her slender legs were wrapped in a light coloured stocking. It didn't really flaunt her figure but it was a comfortable looking attire.

She had a burgundy hat on with a pair of big sunglasses and a mask as she walked out of the gate while pushing a small suitcase along. Even though others couldn't recognise her, Lin Ruoxi recognised her immediately.

"Aunt!" Lanlan sensed that it was Hui Lin so she called her with a sweet voice.

Hui Lin and Yu Min looked over and they were both surprised to see that Lin Ruoxi had come to pick them up.

Hui Lin saw no one was paying attention to them so she quickened her pace to get Lin Ruoxi's side. Although she was embarrassed because of her relationship with Yang Chen, she was still delighted to see her sister.

"Sis, you're really here. You could've just let someone from the company pick us up, I wouldn't want to trouble you."

"It's nothing, I haven't saw you in a long time and I really wanted to see you as soon as possible, given that you were in so many dangerous situations before this. Lanlan missed you a lot too." Lin Ruoxi smiled.

Hui Lin knew she was talking about the Ten Thousand Realm and hearing this from her intensified the guilt in her heart.

Her feelings for Lanlan were different from before now that she knew that Lanlan was Yang Chen's biological daughter.

Knowing that Lin Ruoxi was clueless about this made Hui Lin sighed internally, wondering when would Yang Chen tell her and if Lin Ruoxi could accept the truth.

As of now, Hui Lin didn't dare to overthink it. She carried Lanlan into her arms and pecked her cheeks, "Come, let aunty hug you. Eh, Lanlan, did you gain weight? Have you been eating a lot these days?"

Lanlan immediately shook her head vigorously, "No, Lanlan is a good kid. Mommy wouldn't let me eat till I'm full!"

Other people would've thought that Lin Ruoxi was abusing Lanlan but Hui Lin was aware of Lanlan's appetite. Feeding her till she was full for every meal would've used up a lot of ingredients so it was understandable that Lin Ruoxi controlled her food intake.

Yu Min felt weird about this, thinking to herself that Chairman Lin was a rational person for wanting to control a little girl's food intake to maintain her figure.

Lin Ruoxi didn't like to have an outsider listening in on their conversation so she told Yu Min with a flat voice, "Drive yourself home, I'll send Hui Lin home myself."

Yu Min tensed up and she smiled at Lin Ruoxi respectfully, "Chairman, I'm grateful that you're willing to come this far for us but I don't think I should trouble you..."

"I said I'll send her home...do I have to repeat myself?" Lin Ruoxi's gaze was chilly. She hated people who tried to suck up to her at the wrong timing.

Yu Min felt the cold daggers from her eyes and she jolted in response. With a pale face, she took her bag and left with an awkward smile, afraid that she would be fired if she stayed any longer.

Hui Lin was humoured by her manager's response but she also envied Lin Ruoxi for her charisma. All the employees at the company were very respectful towards her.

Maybe this was her charisma, she was born to be a leader, but for someone like her with a soft personality, she could never have such charisma and was better off being an artist.

"Let's go, I've contacted her grandma. I'll send you home first and then we'll go to the company for a late meeting. We don't have enough time, so you'll be very busy for the next two days." Lin Ruoxi carried Lanlan and explained to Hui Lin while walking.

Hui Lin caught up to her and asked softly, "Sis, do you really think I can do it? Will everyone hate me?"

"As long as your songs and movies are nice, you'll be the top star. With money, we can clear up your reputation but not everyone will adore you. We just need them to know about you and that would be a win for you. Artists need to convince the public with their work and I've faith in you..."

Lin Ruoxi blinked at her, "I spent billions on that whole entertainment company, do you really want the company to close down? I might be rich but I don't want to suffer such a loss. I still want to rely on you as the backbone of the entertainment company."

Hui Lin knew that she was trying to motivate her but it made her feel worse. She would rather have Lin Ruoxi curse at her so that she could feel better.

Even so, Hui Lin decided to perform well on her job as she didn't want to disappoint Lin Ruoxi's trust.

As they made their way to the parking lot, they passed by the building for internal arrivals and Lin Ruoxi paused in her tracks when she saw something.

Hui Lin was puzzled, so she followed her gaze.

It was Yang Chen?!

Yang Chen wasn't eye-catching amongst the travellers because of his casual attire but Lin Ruoxi and Hui Lin were able to recognise the most important man in their lives.

"Isn't that daddy?" Lanlan saw him too.

Lin Ruoxi exchanged gazes with Hui Lin and they realised that none of them knew about this.

"That's weird. It's really him but why couldn't he sense our existence?" Lin Ruoxi was confused.

Even if Lin Ruoxi's cultivation was too low to be detectable, how could he miss out on Hui Lin's cultivation when she was in the Soul Forming stage?

"Is he here to lick up someone?" Hui Lin was puzzled.

Lin Ruoxi shook her head. Although she was still mad at Yang Chen and wanted him out of her sight, she couldn't resist the urge to see what he was up to, "Let's go and have a look."

With that, two women and a little girl followed him into the arrival hall for international flights.

Yang Chen had no idea that he was being followed by them as he didn't dare to use his cultivation or divine senses.

After arriving at Beijing, Yang Chen rushed to this building to pick Jane up and then drop her off at her place before going home.

The moment he stepped into the hall, a group of travellers were walking out and Jane was striking with her amber-coloured hair!

"Jane!" Yang Chen yelled and beamed at her.

Jane saw her too and she didn't have a large suitcase with her since plenty of people or organisations would be willing to send her things that she wanted.

"Yang Chen!"

Jane called him which surprised the other Chinese people, this beautiful Caucasian spoke Mandarin?

But what they saw next angered them more as Jane ran into the ordinary-looking man's arms!

"Dear, I missed you so much." Jane beamed and hugged Yang Chen's neck to kiss him!

For Jane, she wasn't someone to shy away from public display of affection since he was her lover.

Yang Chen was taken aback by her kiss but he couldn't avoid it since Jane wasn't even bothered by the stares. He held her waist and groped her butt as they shared a passionate French kiss.

Chapter 1352 Unaware

It would've been a beautiful scene of a couple kissing in the airport if Lin Ruoxi, Hui Lin and Lanlan didn't know them.

But unfortunately, the couple was unaware of their presence.

Lin Ruoxi and Hui Lin knew Yang Chen's reason for being here the moment they saw Jane.

Jane didn't see them as she had her attention on her beloved.

A couple kissing wasn't a big deal, but watching Jane and Yang Chen French kiss with his hands groping her was different.

Lin Ruoxi immediately pressed Lanlan's face towards her, stopping her daughter from witnessing it.

Her face was pale at first but it immediately darkened to the point that it worried Hui Lin.

Hui Lin was resentful against Yang Chen. Why was he so dense to not notice them? Was he doing this on purpose to anger Lin Ruoxi?

From what she remembered, Jane shouldn't be dating Yang Chen, so when did all this happen?

Hui Lin was jealous too but it was outgrown by her worry for Lin Ruoxi.

Even though Hui Lin wasn't close to Jane, she knew Jane had a special place in Yang Chen's heart.

Jane was an old friend of Yang Chen for almost a decade and her appearance was not inferior to Lin Ruoxi.

Besides, she was the Princess of Wales, which meant that she was practically the future queen!

A woman like her was far more threatening compared to the other ladies in Zhonghai. No matter how confident Lin Ruoxi was, she wouldn't be able to keep her chin up in front of Jane.

Nor could she ignore the fact that Jane's intelligence and achievements were superior to Lin Ruoxi!

Some people were born at great heights where others could never reach.

As if she was done watching the heartbreaking scene, Lin Ruoxi ushered Hui Lin to move, "Come, let's go home."

Hui Lin took a last glance at the kissing couple before following Lin Ruoxi.

It still felt like a dream to Lin Ruoxi as she stood by the gate.

The cold winter breeze brushed against her warm tears which brought her to her senses!

It was cruel to witness that scene, but it wasn't a dream!

"Mommy..." Lanlan sensed that something was wrong and she asked meekly, "Who's that aunt that daddy's kissing? Is she another aunty..."

Lin Ruoxi's voice was icy, "That's not your dad..."

"But he..."

"I said he isn't! Can't you listen to me?!" Lin Ruoxi cut her off.

Lanlan pouted and stayed silent but she was still puzzled.

Once they got into the car, Lin Ruoxi drove to the Lin residence without uttering a single word.

Hui Lin was anxious throughout the car ride. How devastated would Lin Ruoxi feel if she knew that Hui Lin had gotten together with Yang Chen?

Hui Lin couldn't bear to break Lin Ruoxi's heart further.

Once she decided to make Yang Chen keep their relationship as a secret, Hui Lin tried to console Lin Ruoxi, "Sis, maybe Princess Jane is just enthusiastic. She can't stay in China forever..."

"You don't have to defend him, I've seen enough. I know what he's like, I'm not blind." Lin Ruoxi's reply was cold.

Hui Lin pursed her lips and sighed when she knew that there was nothing she could do.

Lin Ruoxi glanced at her, "You don't have to worry about me. Focus on your job and it'll cheer me up."

Hui Lin felt bitter. She wasn't just worried about Lin Ruoxi as she was also involved in this complicated relationship.

Gray Robe was the only one waiting for them when they reached the Li residence. Yun Miao was at the headquarters of the Yellow Flame Iron Brigade, busy with the matters of the Ten Thousand Demon Realm.

After organising her suitcase, Hui Lin left with Lin Ruoxi to the Yu Lei Entertainment company.

On the other hand, Yang Chen brought Jane to a medical research institute in Beijing Medical University, one of the most prestigious research institutes ever.

Although Jane was excited to see Yang Chen, she still cared about Yang Chen's health the most.

In the car, Yang Chen explained his condition with the Chaos Cauldron and Jane was able to understand it better since she had started cultivating.

She didn't really have a plan for Yang Chen's recovery yet, so she decided to do a full checkup prior to planning.

Yang Chen didn't have much hope as using medical technology to oppress Chaos didn't seem possible but it was better than being out of wits.

As they stepped into the research institute, Yang Chen glanced at the rooms and asked Jane, "Jane, are you planning to stay here?"

Jane replied, "Yeah, the Head of the institute, Mister Xu has agreed to let me use the equipment as I wish. I'm used to staying in labs, so hotels don't interest me."

"Is he your student?" Yang Chen smiled.

Jane giggled, “No, he’s almost 90 years old. He agreed to it happily when I told him I’ll give him the formula for a liver disease medication for free. I have plenty of those so I don’t mind giving it to him.”

“So.... I invited you over for help and I’ve somehow contributed to China’s medical research?” Yang Chen teased her.

Jane winked at him, “I can do anything for you since I’m all yours.”

Yang Chen gulped and thought that Jane was more open from before which was extremely seducing. He would’ve devoured her if being a virgin wasn’t beneficial for her cultivation.

Mister Xu was already waiting in the building with his assistants. As it was already night time and Jane wanted some peace, they didn’t hold a welcoming party for her.

Jane greeted them and pressured them to leave except for Mister Xu who stayed back to give them a tour.

Once they were familiarised with the layout of the building, Jane bade goodbye to Mister Xu and passed a folded paper to him. Mister Xu glanced at it briefly and left with a delighted expression.

Yang Chen sighed, reminded of a famous quote, ‘Knowledge is power’.

Jane didn’t have time to think about things and she immediately got to work. Her expression was stern as she calibrated the equipment by herself.

Yang Chen waited patiently for her as he couldn’t be of any help. Almost an hour went by and with Jane’s permission, they started on the analysis.

By the time they were done with the analysis, it was almost one o’clock. Jane ushered Yang Chen to go home since she still needed time to analyse the results.

Yang Chen bade her goodbye with a peck on her forehead. No words were needed to express his gratitude towards Jane.

When Yang Chen drove into the mansion, Lin Ruoxi’s car arrived behind him.

Lin Ruoxi got out of the car and carried Lanlan from the backseat.

Yang Chen figured that she was out dealing with Hui Lin’s comeback but was puzzled about why she brought Lanlan along. The thought quickly left his mind when he was reminded that it would be Chinese New Year tomorrow and that he should buy them some clothes as a good omen. At the thought of this, he walked towards Lin Ruoxi with a smile and said, “Dear, should we...”

Yang Chen didn’t even finish his sentence when Lin Ruoxi walked past him as if he was invisible.

Chapter 1353

Dream

This wasn’t his first time to be ignored by Lin Ruoxi but it was never without him knowing the reason why. They were doing fine yesterday so what changed in a day?

Yang Chen ran after Lin Ruoxi and blocked her way, “Dear, what’s wrong? What have I done this time?”

Lin Ruoxi ignored him and walked towards the door.

The guards could sense the tension between them which made them stand tall, pretending as though they couldn't hear and see anything.

Yang Chen scratched his head out of confusion as he followed behind her. Seeing her cold expression made it hard for him to strike up a conversation.

"Ruoxi, don't be like this. Tell me anything, I'll change if I've made a mistake. If you're not happy about something, tell me and I'll cheer you up...I'm thinking of bringing you and Lanlan to buy some new clothes since it's our first time celebrating Chinese New Year here..."

Yang Chen kept coaxing her but Lin Ruoxi showed no intention to respond. Once she carried Lanlan into her room, Lin Ruoxi locked Yang Chen outside!

It was already midnight and everyone was asleep so no one knew what happened between them.

Yang Chen was dumbfounded. Why was he so unfortunate? He was already frustrated about his cultivation and now his wife was giving him the cold shoulder.

But he was completely clueless about why!

Right at this moment, Yang Chen's mobile phone buzzed and he picked it up to see that Hui Lin had texted her.

'Brother Yang, are you free to talk now?'

Yang Chen smiled softly at her cautiousness.

Once he found a quiet spot to talk, Yang Chen dialed Hui Lin's number and she picked up immediately.

"You're in Beijing?"

"Mmh..."

"Are you preparing for your comeback? Is that why you're still awake?" Yang Chen asked.

Hui Lin hummed as a response and she hesitated before asking, "Brother Yang...is sis home yet?"

Yang Chen's eyes lit up. Right, Hui Lin might know what happened, "I almost forgot to ask you, what's wrong with your sister? She was so icy that I almost froze. What did I do wrongly this time?"

Hui Lin sighed, "I wanted to talk to you about this. She picked me up from the airport and we...we saw you and Princess Jane..."

"Saw Jane and I..." Yang Chen's eyes widened and he clenched his hand, "Are you saying that Ruoxi knew about Jane and I?"

"Yeah, she looked calm but I think she's really upset. Seriously, why didn't you realise that we were behind you?!" Hui Lin was frustrated too.

Yang Chen sighed internally. I didn't want this to happen, it's just that I don't dare to use my cultivation.

Yang Chen didn't dare to say it out loud since he didn't want to worry her.

“I wasn’t thinking straight so I didn’t notice you guys,” Yang Chen made up an excuse, “Thanks for telling me or else my head will explode from thinking about my mistake.”

Hui Lin paused and said softly, “Brother Yang, I don’t think we should tell sis about our relationship yet. I’m afraid she can’t take it. Lanlan’s identity too, it might be too much for her to take. You should for a while more before you tell her about Lanlan’s identity.”

Yang Chen had the exact same thoughts and he was grateful that she could do this for Lin Ruoxi.

Feelings couldn’t be controlled and although Hui Lin didn’t wish for this to happen, she could no longer lie to herself.

The only thing she could do was to minimise the blow on Lin Ruoxi.

Yang Chen tried to think of a way to coax Lin Ruoxi but he had to wait for an opportunity since Lin Ruoxi wouldn’t even look at him.

For that night, Yang Chen looked for a random guest room to sleep in, but he was actually wide awake the whole night, thinking of a way to redeem himself.

Just a few moments before sunrise, Lin Ruoxi was seen trembling in the bed as she talked in her sleep, “No...not me...I can’t...Hubby...ah!!!”

Lin Ruoxi sat up abruptly with her pyjamas drenched in cold sweat.

Realising that she was still in their room, Lin Ruoxi sighed in relief.

Lanlan moved a little as if she heard Lin Ruoxi’s scream.

She didn’t have a blanket on as she laid on her side with her feet exposed in the air.

Because she wouldn’t get sick from sleeping like this in the winter, Lin Ruoxi didn’t force her to keep her blanket on.

Lanlan mumbled something under breath and squirmed before getting back to sleep.

Lin Ruoxi pulled her blanket up and caressed her hair but she was still overwhelmed by the fear from her nightmare.

Lin Ruoxi had lost count of the time she had the same nightmare. She even had the nightmare during the day.

It wouldn’t have affected her much if it only happened one to two times but as it kept on happening, the worry and anxiety from the nightmare was drowning her.

At first she thought the nightmares happened because she was too worried about Yang Chen but the nightmares persisted even after he came home.

Lin Ruoxi took a deep breath before looking at the clock. It was 5 o’clock in the morning, which was still early, but Lin Ruoxi figured she could wake up and get to work.

Maybe she wasn’t destined to live a leisure life. She had been taking a break for a long time which made her feel like doing something, even if it was to help Yang Gongming with gardening.

Lanlan was too easy to be taken care of and she was so lovable that everyone in the clan was keen to take care of her. Lin Ruoxi had plenty of time now and she thought she could take care of her unfinished business.

Lin Ruoxi tried her best to clear the nightmare from her head before she got out of bed to freshen up.

The Yang clan was already bustling in the morning since it was Chinese New Year Eve. For a traditional clan like them, there were a lot of preparations to be done.

Yang Gongming wore a red and black traditional outfit which made him look stern yet respectable. The rest of the relatives also dressed rather festively for the special occasion.

The clan members would gather at the ancestral hall to worship them. They would recap on the things they did for the past year and also wished for blessing for the new year.

It wasn't just superstition. With plenty of them involved in the political and military affairs, memorial services would be useful in bringing the whole clan together.

The collateral clan would also join in but they could only pay their respects to the ancestor after the main clan. Due to the rigidity of the family values, the memorial tablet of the patriarch of the collateral clan can only be placed in the ancestral hall after the death of all their clan members.

While the clan members including Yang Gongming were waiting outside the ancestral hall, some of them noticed that Yang Chen wasn't around.

Even though it was still early, he should be awake by now. Did he forget about the memorial service? How could he be so ignorant as the Young Master of the Yang clan?!

Some of the elderly were upset but they didn't dare to voice out their discontent since Yang Chen was the second person in charge after Yang Gongming.

Yang Gongming furrowed his brows but he didn't seem angry at the fact that Yang Chen wasn't around.

He turned to Lin Ruoxi and asked with crinkling eyes, "Ruoxi, where is he?"

The others wanted to ask the same question too. As a couple, they must have slept together so where did her husband go?

Chapter 1354

Out of Wits

Lin Ruoxi was standing behind Guo Xuehua while holding Lanlan's hand. Lanlan was rubbing her eyes from waking up early in the morning. She didn't really care about the memorial services as long as she could eat breakfast after this.

Although Yang Lanlan wasn't the 'biological' daughter of Yang Chen, Yang Gongming had acknowledged her as part of the clan, so naturally, she needed to pay her respects to the ancestors.

Lin Ruoxi's hands were clammy from anxiety. It was normal for them to ask her about Yang Chen but she kicked Yang Chen out of their room yesterday, so there was no way she would know about his whereabouts!

This troublesome man, he should've reflected on himself when she locked him out the previous day. He must have gone to his other lovers and the thought of this sucked the colour off of her face.

Her breath quickened from not being able to tell them about her reasons.

"Grandpa...!" Lin Ruoxi didn't know how to start explaining herself. She couldn't possibly say she locked him outside of their room.

Guo Xuehua noticed her discomfort and she interjected, "How about we call him?"

"Hmph, this is outrageous. How could he disappear on such an important occasion?" Yang Pojun was displeased.

Others felt awkward to hear this, this wouldn't have happened if you could control your son.

"Don't call! Don't call! I'm here!!"

Yang Chen's voice was heard from the other end of the corridor. He was rubbing his hands on his pants as though he had just washed his hands.

Everyone was puzzled to see him come out of nowhere but it was relieving to see him here.

Yang Gongming furrowed his brows when he smelled something greasy on him, "Where did you go?"

"Hehe, don't be upset, old man. I went to the market with the cook today and I cooked breakfast for you guys. I kinda overestimated my speed."

"Breakfast?" Yang Gongming was puzzled, "That's so random. We have dozens of cooks and maids here. Why would you need to cook when you're the young master?"

Everyone else gave him a weird look, including Lin Ruoxi.

Yang Chen cocked his head and ignored his question, "Alright, alright. Just eat it. Come, let's go pay our respects to Bodhisattva."

"Nonsense! We're paying our respects to our ancestors! Not Bodhisattva!" Yang Gongming was very particular about these things.

Yang Chen scratched his head awkwardly, "Isn't it a good thing for our ancestors to be Bodhisattva? They can bless us when we go to Western Paradise. Fine, ancestors..."

The memorial service finally started and it lasted around 30 minutes for everyone to pay their respects.

Yang Gongming invited the collateral clan to dine at the living hall whereas the rest of them dined at the usual dining hall.

Once they took their seats, they realised that today's breakfast was the same as before. Pastries, congee and side dishes. It didn't look like Yang Chen made it.

"Yang Chen, I don't see anything special about today's breakfast!" Yang Jieyu chided.

"It's not served yet." Yang Chen said and snapped his finger at the nearest maid.

The maid nodded and ushered the other maids to serve them. They were all holding large trays and the scrumptious smell of meat could be smelled before they even came close to the dining table.

To their surprise, the trays were filled with roast lamb leg, stew lamb ribs and lamb skewers.

That wasn't all, they even served a large lamb head and a big pot of offal.

It was too weird to see such a heavy scented breakfast dish.

Yang Lanlan's eyes were gleaming at the sight of meat, "Daddy, did you cook something delicious for Lanlan?"

"Haha, as expected of my daughter. How is it? I bought this lamb early in the morning. I've only cooked half of it but it's enough for everyone. Help yourselves!"

Yang Chen picked up a lamb skewer and passed it to Lin Ruoxi with an anxious smile, "Dear, have a lamb skewer."

Lin Ruoxi finally understood why he wasn't around. It was impressive that he managed to buy and cook half a lamb within a few hours.

Lin Ruoxi was hesitant to take the skewer when it was obvious that he was trying to please her.

"I heard that you used to sell lamb skewers in Zhonghai but you didn't have to use all of it. You can make other dishes!" Yang Jieyu laughed.

Yang Chen glanced at her, "You're overthinking it. I only made the lamb skewers and the rest are made by the cook. The lamb skewers are only for my wife, you guys can't eat it."

Lanlan was already chewing on one and she lifted her head with a pitiful gaze, "Lanlan can't eat it too?"

Yang Chen patted her head, "Lanlan and mommy can eat it. Everyone else can't eat it."

Only then Lanlan continued to chew the lamb skewer happily. She preferred to chew on the whole lamb leg but she figured it'd be better for her to take it if no one would eat it.

The rest of the family understood it now. Yang Chen was doing all this to coax Lin Ruoxi.

Guo Xuehua was familiar with this situation. Noticing that Lin Ruoxi wasn't taking the lamb skewer offered by Yang Chen, she decided to help out, "Ruoxi, did you guys quarrel? Why aren't you talking to Yang Chen?"

Lin Ruoxi forced a smile, "We didn't..."

She took the skewer from Yang Chen but she couldn't bring herself to eat it.

Yang Gongming couldn't eat lamb meat in the morning because of his old age.

"Youngsters these days always like to complicate things. They don't know how to appreciate one another. Just talk it out if you have any resentment, only then you can reflect on it. You guys are lucky to be together at a young age, once you get old, you might not be able to see one another again."

Everyone turned silent at his words. It sounded as if he was reminiscing about his wife.

Yang Gongming sighed and told Lin Ruoxi, "Ruoxi, I won't help anyone. Let's talk about facts, Yang Chen might be hot-headed sometimes but he's not a fool. He really wants to win you back but he couldn't think of a better way so he did this to coax you. Pity him and give him a chance. It's Chinese New Year Eve, I don't wish to see you two start the new year on bad terms. Go shopping with Lanlan today and buy some new clothes. You'll need it when we go out to visit relatives or when we have guests. Let Yang Chen pay, buy whatever you want to let out your anger. I hope you'll come home with a smile today."

His gentle words warmed Lin Ruoxi's heart. She couldn't bother him with their relationship matters, so she nodded with a smile.

Yang Chen was relieved hearing him say that. Yang Gongming was right. He wouldn't be slaughtering a lamb and cooking lamb skewers if he hadn't been out of wits.

Guo Xuehua glanced at her father-in-law resentfully. She pitied her son for putting himself down to please his wife. Lin Ruoxi might be the one at fault instead of her son.

She only dared to think about this since she didn't dare to defy Yang Gongming.

Lin Ruoxi still didn't talk to Yang Chen but it was better since she didn't ignore Yang Chen completely.

Along with Lanlan, the couple went to a shopping mall in the city centre.

At the same time, news about Hui Lin's participation in the New Year's Gala got around and it became the most heated topic discussion of the day. With Lin Ruoxi's effort, the comments were all complimenting Hui Lin's courage for making a grand comeback.

After all, Hui Lin has a huge worldwide fan base. The public wasn't too concerned about her private life so they wouldn't believe in tabloids.

The movie premiere was also getting a lot of attention from the news about Hui Lin's comeback.

Chapter 1355

Help

Li Jingjing stepped out of her office to the car park with a white bag in hand. Since it was already Chinese New Year, there weren't a lot of cars around which made the parking lot seem empty.

The closest thing she has to a winter outfit was a striped cardigan and a black scarf. It didn't look exactly cozy, but she was already immune to the cold.

Once she got to the centre of the parking lot, Li Jingjing took out her keys to the new Mercedes Benz and made her way to the red SLK350.

Yang Chen was generous and quick with his payment, so the dealer drove the car to Li Jingjing the previous afternoon. She wasn't used to driving to work but it really made her feel giddy.

Li Jingjing didn't see the need to boast, nor did she think that it was a big deal to drive an expensive car, but Li Jingjing hoped to let her colleagues see the car her man had bought for her.

She was about to open the car door when a silver Ferrari swerved right next to her.

The car window was lowered and Meng Zhexin showed up. He was surprised to see the new car and a quick fleeting glance at the key in Li Jingjing's hand, a forceful smile appeared on his face, "Jingjing, is this your car?"

Li Jingjing nodded with a smile, "Yes, Vice Minister. Thank you for sending me home all this while but I won't have to trouble you any longer."

"Did Yang Chen buy it for you?" Meng Zhexin asked again.

Li Jingjing didn't hesitate to answer, "Yes."

"Do you know that he's married? His wife is the Chairman of Yu Lei." Meng Zhexin was indignant.

Li Jingjing was taken aback but she wasn't pleased with his attitude, "I think that's none of your business. Minister Meng, it's rude of you to look into other people's background. I'll take my leave if you have anything else to talk about."

"Stand right there!" Meng Zhexin raised his voice, "What is so good about him? I've been courting you sincerely and you won't even give me a single chance. He's married and you're still with him? Which part of him is better than me?!"

Li Jingjing was ghastly pale. She could feel the fury in his eyes but she wasn't afraid of him. In fact, she was equally furious.

"I don't want to compare my beloved with another man. Love isn't the same as buying something, it's not something that you can measure with standard. Minister Meng, I respect you but please respect my private life, especially since you don't know me." Li Jingjing refuted.

Just when Meng Zhexin was planning to fire back, a black Bentley drove next to his Ferrari.

Meng Zhexin was surprised to see the car whereas Li Jingjing was just puzzled that a big shot was here.

Soon, a glamorous looking middle-aged woman got out of the car.

Her outfit was rather sexy, donning a black skirt and white stockings paired with a pair of silver heels. Although her face seemed flawless, others could tell that she had Botox injection from the wrinkles on her neck.

"My dear son, thank goodness you're still here. The traffic was pretty bad and I thought I'll miss you." She smiled as she walked towards Meng Zhexin's car.

Li Jingjing was shocked. How could this woman be Meng Zhexin's mother when she looked like she was in her 40s?

Meng Zhexin didn't seem happy to see her, "What are you doing here?"

"How cold. I wanted to spend the new year with you. Don't you miss me when we haven't seen each other for days?" The woman sounded resentful.

"No," Meng Zhexin was annoyed, "Go home, I have some matters to take care of."

The woman turned around and scanned Li Jingjing with a look of jealousy.

“Oh, you found yourself a b*tch. What’s wrong? It seems like you two were quarrelling. She doesn’t like you?” The woman mocked in disdain.

“Zhang Ling! Shut up!” Meng Zhexin called her name, “Get back into your car and stop spouting nonsense!”

“I’m your mother, how could I ignore your problems? I know her name, Li Jingjing. I even know where she stays.” Zhang Ling sounded proud.

Li Jingjing felt disgusted. That woman’s gaze was venomous.

“You stalked her?! Zhang Ling, are you sick of living a good life?!” Meng Zhexin shouted.

Zhang Ling huffed, “You always shout at me just because I can’t bring myself to ignore you...you’re so heartless. She doesn’t even like you and you’re being mean to me. Do whatever you want, I’m a generous mom. Your grandfather and uncles will be here for dinner, and if you’re late because of this b*tch, your dad will surely punish you!”

With a sneer, Zhang Ling got back to the car and ordered the chauffeur to drive home.

Meng Zhexin sensed that something was wrong and he glared at Li Jingjing and her car briefly before driving out of the building.

Li Jingjing was weirded out by this and even though she was annoyed by his attitude, the sight of her new car comforted her.

However, she didn’t know that Meng Zhexin’s fury was yet to be resolved.

While driving, he muttered under his breath, “Lin Ruoxi, you didn’t keep your husband under control and you even let him buy a car for his lover...how capable...Yang Chen, are you trying to humiliate me by buying a car for your lover with your wife’s money? What a fool! I’d like to see what else you’ve got under your sleeves. How dare you steal my woman?!”

After muttering those words, Meng Zhexin took out his phone and dialed a number.

The call got through and a man’s laughter was heard, “Haha, Vice Minister Meng, why did you call? Aren’t you rushing for your dinner?”

“Uncle Chen, don’t tease me. You’re my elder and I haven’t wished you happy Chinese New Year.” Meng Zhexin was polite.

“Why are you being so polite? I’m taken aback. You must be calling me for something. Do you need me to pass on something to your father?” Uncle Chen sounded as if he was used to doing these things.

Meng Zhexin chuckled, “Uncle Chen, you’re a deputy director and you hold great power. How could I bother you to inform my father about my small matters...”

Director Chen chuckled, “I know you need my help with something. Tell me and I’ll try my best if I can be of any help.”

A wicked smile formed on Meng Zhexin’s face, “Uncle Chen, here’s the thing...I have a grudge on Lin Ruoxi from Yu Lei International and I feel humiliated. I want her to regret it...isn’t her company dealing

with the chemical industry of textile production. Can you help me and cause them some trouble so that their production line is interrupted?"

Director Chen hissed, "No! Young Master! It's not that I don't want to help you. If it was some other company or even the first-rate companies like the An and Zhou clans, with your father's network, I could've taken care of it easily! But...you're talking about Yu Lei! Lin Ruoxi is not an ordinary businessman. Her background is terrifying! Why do you have a grudge on her? You're being too reckless!"

Meng Zhexin was shocked. He had never heard him sound so afraid of someone. Director Chen always strutted around because of his father and he never said no to his requests so that Meng Zhexin could put in a good word to his father.

"Why, Uncle Chen...isn't she just a smart businessman? She could only take down second-rate companies. Her family members are all dead, so how terrifying could her background be?" Meng Zhexin was astonished.

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Director Chen gulped and sighed, "Lin Ruoxi doesn't have a profound background but think about it. It's impossible that other companies won't try to take a piece of Yu Lei International and no matter how smart she is, she is just a businesswoman, surely her company won't be on the highroad all the time...the reason behind this is because of her husband, Yang Chen is the young master of the Yang clan!"

"What?!" Meng Zhexin thought he misheard him and almost dropped his phone, then ran to his car against the fence, "Yang clan? Are you saying that this Yang Chen is the Yang Chen from the Yang clan, one of the four major clans?"

"That's right! With such support, over half of the people in the Jiangnan military zone would be willing to work for Lin Ruoxi. No one would dare risk their lives to go against her" Director Chen smiled wryly.

Meng Zhexin was ashen. He had heard about the bigshots of the four major clans but he never had any relations to them and he wasn't bothered by it either. After all, he came to Zhonghai to polish his resume. He had no plans to stay here for long. Plus, with his job in the Ministry of Education, there was no need for him to care about the corporations.

Most of the rich families knew about the four major clans in Beijing but it didn't really bother them. After all, China is a vast land and there would surely be influential people in different regions.

The Yang clan was influential because of their connections with the military, whereas the Ning clan had connections with the political network in different regions.

As for the Li and Tang clan, they may be rich, but they are not as influential, especially outside of Beijing.

Besides, for the sake of their public reputation, the four major clans would do things away from the public's eye. As a result, the public wouldn't really see them as terrifying figures.

The most recent ground-shaking news from them was probably the time when Yang Chen slaughtered the Liang clan.

Although the military didn't let the news leak out, everyone knew that the Liang clan was exterminated.

Because of this incident, the clans had a strong impression on the four major clans. Regardless of the credibility of the news, the Yang clan could not be underestimated!

As the centre of attention, Yang Chen was respected and feared by many.

These things had nothing to do with the Meng clan since they were a few provinces apart. Especially when Meng Zhexin was just a Vice-Minister of Education!

He never expected the random person he met to be the rumoured 'Grim Reaper'!

Meng Zhexin broke out in a cold sweat, realising that he almost provoked Yang Chen.

"Young Master, let's pretend that nothing ever happened. We won't benefit from it. Not even Master Meng can do anything to that psycho from the Yang clan!" Director Chen persuaded him.

Meng Zhexin snapped out of it and clicked his tongue, "Nonsense. Why should we be afraid of the Yang clan! They don't own the country! Even if they wanted to exterminate our clan, the party would never agree to it. Besides, Premier Ning is the one in charge and he still has the First Senior Official above him. He would never let things in China go astray and allow them to declare war against us."

"Heh...you're right. The Yang clan is only influential in the military, but ever since Yang Pojun's resignation and the death of the second young master, the number of armies they have under control has decreased. Surely the Meng clan wouldn't be afraid of them." Director Chen sucked up to him.

Meng Zhexin felt better, but he knew it must end here or else he would be frowned upon in his clan. No need to go this far for a woman.

"Uncle Chen, forget about what I said. As for my father..."

"Understood," Director Chen chuckled, "I won't tell him a single thing..."

Meng Zhexin smiled in contentment and offered to buy him a meal next time before hanging up.

He contemplated if he should find a chance to reconcile with Li Jingjing and buy some gifts for her parents so they could put in some good words for him. Even if they couldn't be friends, it'd be better than having a hidden enemy.

Now that Meng Zhexin learned about Yang Chen's true identity, he finally understood Lin Ruoxi's attitude. How could a mere chairman like her stop the young master from having other lovers?

Visitors from different clans flooded the Yang clan to visit Yang Gongming and it kept them busy for the whole afternoon.

Just when they thought that they could take a breather in the evening, another car arrived at the yard and out came Abbess Yun Miao.

Her expression was aloof as ever as she walked into the mansion without waiting for the maids to inform the others about her arrival.

The Yang clan knew about her relationship with Lin Ruoxi so no one dared to slight a guest like her.

The maids served them tea before giving them privacy to converse.

Yun Miao only bowed at Yang Gongming, ignoring everyone else who was present at the scene. She might be old but her appearance was well maintained.

“Madam Lin, why did you visit us at this hour? Are you planning to spend the eve with us?” Yang Gongming smiled.

Yun Miao sighed at the thought of her small clan, but she shook her head at his question, “My husband has passed away but the Lin clan is still standing, so I’ll return home soon.”

“Oh, then why are you here?”

Yun Miao looked around, “Yang Chen isn’t around?”

“He should be back soon. He went shopping with his wife and daughter.” Yang Gongming answered.

Yun Miao furrowed her brows, “It’s best that he’s here since this is about Lin Hui and Yang Chen. I’m an antsy person and I want to make things clear or else I won’t feel at peace during the Chinese New Year.”

“About Hui Lin and Yang Chen?”

Guo Xuehua was intrigued now, “Madam Lin, is it...my son and Hui Lin...”

No one could blame her for having this thought since it wasn’t the first time this had happened.

It dawned on everyone else too. Yang Gongming’s eyes twitched from hearing this since he knew that Lin Ruoxi treated Hui Lin as her birth sister.

Yun Miao sounded frustrated, “You guys might not know about this yet but Hui’er told me that she confessed to him when they were both stuck in the realm and now they’re together. I know Hui’er isn’t an easy person and she has never confessed her feelings like this before. Once she makes a decision, even I can’t change her mind. Fortunately, although Yang Chen may be a Casanova, he’s capable and I’ve never seen his lovers suffer because of him. Besides, he has connections with my senior disciple and the Shushan clan. I’m willing to acknowledge their relationship...”

Everyone was surprised to hear this but it wasn’t really a piece of good news to them, especially since Lin Ruoxi and Yang Chen were on bad terms this morning. God knows what would happen if Lin Ruoxi found out about this!

The thought of it made them anxious.

Yang Gongming had a foresight, “Madam Lin, I’m sure you have something else to talk about, that’s why you came here in such a hurry.”

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Yun Miao was impressed with his wits and she replied with a smile, “That’s right, I’m here to seek some dignity for our clan.”

“Oh?” Yang Gongming was intrigued, “Tell me about it.”

Yun Miao sighed, "We only have Hui'er as the sole descendant of the Lin clan. If it wasn't for Yang Chen, I was planning to have her marry someone into the clan. But now that she's with Yang Chen, that would never happen. Hui'er is not his wife either. Our clan may not be as prestigious as the Yang clan, but my only granddaughter should not be mistreated."

Most of the family could guess where she was going with this.

"You guys might not know this but it's hard for Yang Chen to have a child with ordinary women because of his physique and cultivation, but Hui'er is already in the Soul Forming stage because of the incident. With General Chai's help, she can also stay in the mundane world for a longer time, so, if she'll be with Yang Chen for a long time...she might be able to get pregnant before the other women."

The Yang clan were delighted to hear this, especially Guo Xuehua. She had been hoping to have an actual grandchild other than the adopted Lanlan. It didn't matter who was the biological mother as long as it was Yang Chen's child.

Yun Miao paused for a second before continuing, "I'm not hoping for their child to bear my surname but if Hui'er is truly able to get pregnant, I wish that their second child will join our clan and be part of our bloodline. Marshal Yang, what do you say?"

Although the Yang clan was prepared to hear this, her words still silenced them as they looked at Yang Gongming nervously.

Yang Chen might have more children than expected but having any one of them bear the Lin surname would be a different story.

It'd be fine if the second child was a girl but what if it was a boy? It will surely be a loss for a military clan like the Yang clan!

Yang Gongming picked up the teacup and took a sip of his sweet tea.

His eyes crinkled as he spoke, "I can understand your intentions as extending the bloodline matters the most to us. I can allow this but...there has to be a condition."

Yun Miao's eyes lit up in excitement, "Go ahead."

Yang Gongming raised his finger, "Firstly, if this child bears the Lin surname, the child will be the heir of the Lin clan and may not inherit anything from the Yang clan. Secondly, the Lin clan will be responsible for the child's education which means that Yang Chen's abilities would not be passed on to the child, including the cultivation techniques."

Yun Miao wasn't pleased to hear this, "Marshal Yang, I can accept the first condition but Yang Chen's cultivation technique originated from the Shushan clan so how can it belong to the Yang clan?"

"Yes, it did originate from the Shushan clan, but only we know about the cultivation technique. If it's passed on to the other clans, it'll affect our status and we have to be careful about it," Yang Gongming was stern, "Every man for himself, and the Devil takes the hindmost. I'm not a kind person. Whilst I'm alive, I'll do everything that benefits the Yang clan."

"But that child will also be part of the Yang clan bloodline!"

Yang Gongming shook his head, "The child's surname isn't Yang, meaning that the child doesn't have the right to enter the ancestral hall nor would the child be responsible for the glory of the Yang clan. Thus, the child would not actually be a part of the Yang clan. Bloodline? That's not important, or else I wouldn't have registered Lanlan's name in the genealogy."

"This...this is absurd!" Yun Miao stood up from iration. She was hoping to rely on Yang Chen's strength and have her great-grandchild rebuild the Lin clan. How could her great-grandchild achieve this without the inheritance?

Guo Xuehua stood up, "Madam Lin, please do not slander us. It's not a glorious decision to have our descendant take up another surname. We can't give anything more than this."

Yang Gongming was pleased with her response. It was more suitable for a woman to strike back in this kind of issue as he was firstly a man and secondly also the elder in the clan.

Yun Miao clenched her jaw and was about to respond when something caught her attention. She glanced outside the door and smirked, "Great, Yang Chen's back. I'll ask him directly and if he agrees to it, none of you can intervene!"

"Hmph! We would never forgive him if he dares to betray our clan!" Yang Pojun was stern.

Yun Miao gave him a look of disdain before moving to stand by the door.

Just as expected, Yang Chen walked in with bags in his hands. His ring was full so he had to carry them himself.

Lin Ruoxi was beside him and it seemed like she was in a better mood as she walked into the room, smiling and chatting while holding onto Lanlan's hand. Shopping was the most useful method to cheer a woman up.

The rest of them were initially relieved to see that they have reconciled, but with Yun Miao's presence, things would surely take a bad turn!

But they couldn't chase her out of here!

"Yang Chen! You're finally back! I need to get things straight for Hui'er and our clan! I'd like to see if you're that heartless!" Yun Miao raised her voice.

Yang Chen only noticed her now as he couldn't use his divine sense, but why did it feel like someone was clutching his throat the moment he stepped into the hall?

Lin Ruoxi furrowed her brows upon hearing Yun Miao's voice and it wiped the smile off her face.

Yang Chen placed the bags onto the floor and motioned the maids to carry them in before looking at the others anxiously, "Abbess Yun Miao, what do you mean?"

Yun Miao's eyes were glinting as she tossed a shocking question to him, "I only have one question. Will you pay full responsibility to you and Hui's future children?"

Boom!

It felt like lightning had struck his mind!

It didn't only shock him. Lin Ruoxi was aghast and she stood frozen.

Yang Chen looked at Yun Miao in distress, unable to comprehend things. How did she know about their relationship when Hui Lin never told him anything?!

His heart was pounding when he took a fleeting glimpse at Lin Ruoxi's gloomy expression.

Yun Miao was sceptical at their odd facial expressions, "What's wrong? Haven't you told anyone about this? Why do you look so shocked? Are you planning on deceiving Hui'er? I'll never forgive you if you dare to hurt her feelings!"

Lin Ruoxi's gaze was dull, reminded of the day before when she joked with Hui Lin and how Hui Lin had consoled her.

Lin Ruoxi encouraged her and urged her to relax. Hui Lin even looked at her gratefully.

It dawned her then, that she was the fool, being toyed by others. She even asserted herself as if she understood everything.

The road ahead was dim and the man beside her seemed so foreign as if it was the end of the world!

"Ruoxi! Ruoxi...listen to me!" Yang Chen noticed her gaze. There was no sign of vitality, instead, it was filled with the dreadful feeling of death.

Yun Miao realised she had made a mistake. Her words had given a blow to Lin Ruoxi at greater lengths than expected!

The rest of the family ran to the door. Guo Xuehua grabbed her hands and shook them, "Ruoxi, don't be like this. We just found out about this. Yang Chen has betrayed you and we'll punish him! You...why are your hands so cold?! Are you sick?"

Lin Ruoxi didn't react at all, letting her body sway along to Guo Xuehua's movement. She wasn't talking or crying, even her breath was shallow. It was as if she had turned into a soulless doll.

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Everyone was worried about her.

However, Yun Miao furrowed her brows, displeased at Lin Ruoxi's reaction, "What are you trying to do? Are you showing this reaction because of Hui'er? It's not like Yang Chen doesn't have other women? You're the Young Madam of the Yang clan, you should've been prepared for this. Are you thinking of oppressing your husband?"

"Enough!" Yang Chen was furious. If only she wasn't Song Tianxing's junior disciple and Hui Lin's grandmother or else he would've slapped her!

Yun Miao didn't back off and she even raised her chin, "I didn't say anything wrong! She's not related to Hui'er and it's ridiculous for her to behave like this!"

Guo Xuehua sensed the graveness of the situation and she defended Lin Ruoxi, "Madam Lin, you've gone too far! How about the fact that you harmed Ruoxi's grandmother? You couldn't tolerate your husband's betrayal and you're asking Ruoxi to accept it without any complaints. Isn't that ridiculous?!"

“Shut up!” Yun Miao was flushed from anger. That incident had always been a thorn in her heart. Even though Lin Zhiguo had passed away, she could never recover from that trauma nor could she forget about her hatred towards Lin Ruoxi’s grandma.

“Do you know that I’m your elder?! Is that how you should behave around me?!”

“You’re being rude to the Yang clan by humiliating Ruoxi! I don’t care if you’re my elder!” Guo Xuehua was indignant.

The two old women bickered like women on the streets and the men couldn’t seem to interject.

Yang Chen was frustrated but he didn’t know how to comfort Lin Ruoxi. He couldn’t tell everyone that there was nothing between him and Hui Lin.

Not only would he be deceiving others and himself, he would also hurt both women.

Suddenly, Lin Ruoxi’s eyes glowed with iciness like a dagger reflecting the white moonlight!

She turned around and walked toward the gate!

“Ruoxi, where are you going?!” Yang Chen yelled after her but Lin Ruoxi’s pace was brisk.

Lanlan wanted to follow her but Yang Chen carried her up and put her into Guo Xuehua’s arms.

“Lanlan, be a good girl and eat your dinner. Don’t go anywhere.” said Yang Chen and he chased after Lin Ruoxi.

Guo Xuehua wanted to call for Yang Chen but she couldn’t seem to make a sound.

Lanlan might be young but she could tell that her parents were in a conflict. With her happy-go-lucky personality and knowing that there was nothing she could do, Lanlan stayed in her grandmother’s arms peacefully and waited for dinner.

The rest were stumped for words as they stared at the gate.

It was Chinese New Year Eve but nothing about the atmosphere was festive.

Yang Chen caught on to Lin Ruoxi and was about to block her way when she glared at him. Her icy gaze froze his heart and while he was stunned for a second, Lin Ruoxi had already walked past him.

It wasn’t his first time getting icy glares from her but this time, it was cold to the bones!

It felt as if his bones were dipped into a crevasse in the South Pole!

Her gaze was bleak, tough and cold, with a hint of madness. It all felt so foreign yet oddly familiar to him.

While he was still in a daze, Lin Ruoxi already drove the red Audi out of the mansion!

Yang Chen didn’t dare to think much about her gaze and he got into the black BMW to chase after her.

Due to the festive season, the road was less jammed than usual.

Yang Chen followed closely behind Lin Ruoxi's red Audi and he soon realised that her driving skills were exceptionally good.

Her control over the gears and engine was perfect and she didn't waste any time or petrol when she overtook cars one after another.

Yang Chen claimed to have better driving skills than the top professional racer or else he couldn't have defeated the famous racer Weber twice.

However, even when his car was better than Lin Ruoxi, he couldn't seem to overtake her!

When did Lin Ruoxi become so skilled at driving?! Had she been concealing her abilities?!

He still remembered her pale face back when he drifted her, but look at her, she was driving even more fiercely than he did!

Driving was more reliant on talent but upon reaching a certain level, experience played a greater role.

Yang Chen suddenly had a hunch. Could it be that her driving skills have nothing to do with her?

The red and black cars raced in the night at an immense speed which made them look like two rays of light from above!

Just when Yang Chen was about to catch on to Lin Ruoxi, a traffic light came in between them!

A lorry drove in from the side and Yang Chen was forced to step on the brake pedal and pull the handbrake simultaneously to come to a stop.

Realising that Lin Ruoxi had pulled a trick on him, Yang Chen slammed the steering wheel out of frustration. She drove through this road on purpose so that a lorry could block his way.

With the lorry interfering, Lin Ruoxi's car was already out of sight and Yang Chen had no choice but to chase after her once again.

Even so, he wasn't worried that Lin Ruoxi would get into a car accident. With her driving skills, she wouldn't even be injured if there was a massive car accident. She must have a plan for ditching him skillfully!

Yang Chen resented the fact that he couldn't use his cultivation or else he could've flown to the sky and it would've saved him all this trouble!

Around 15 minutes later, their cars arrived at the broadcasting station where the New Year's Gala would be broadcasted live. Due to the presence of famous artists at the station, the security was tight.

Yang Chen only realised then that Lin Ruoxi was here for Hui Lin!

He wanted to drive into the parking lot immediately but the guards stopped him and requested an ID as only invited guests were permitted entry.

Yang Chen almost lost his mind. Lin Ruoxi must have been able to get in since she was the owner of the entertainment company but Yang Chen didn't have it!

He could only park his car by the roadside and ran into the broadcasting station. He wasn't worried that someone would tow his car away as he had the military car plate on.

Whilst running, Yang Chen dialled Hui Lin's phone number. The moment the call got connected, Yang Chen blurted out before Hui Lin could say anything, "Hui Lin, did you tell your grandmother about us?"

Hui Lin was startled and she replied meekly, "Yes...didn't you know that already?"

"Me? When?" Yang Chen was stupefied.

"That day when you woke up, you asked me if I told my grandmother about the Ten Thousand Demon realm. I said yes and you said it was fine...why? Is something the matter?" Hui Lin spoke carefully.

Yang Chen regretted it so badly. He was too careless. He thought she only told Yun Miao about the things that happened in the realm but he didn't think she would tell her about their relationship status.

But it was too late to talk about this. Yang Chen quickly explained to her about the earlier incident, "Your sister is furious and she's here looking for you but I don't know what she's planning to do. Help me keep her under control and don't let her do anything reckless!"

Hui Lin almost cried, "Granny...granny, how could she do this?! I told her that I'd tell sis myself...she..."

"Don't you know your grandmother? She's too proud and she treats you like a kid. She won't listen to you!" Yang Chen was resentful about Yun Miao too.

As if she had made up her mind, Hui Lin clenched her jaw and said in a firm voice, "It's all my fault...I'll talk to sis and if she wants to hit me or scold me, I'll bear it. Brother Yang, don't worry..."

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Yang Chen didn't think that Lin Ruoxi would really hit or scold Hui Lin as it wasn't really her style to do things. Even so, he was still in a hurry to talk to her and explain things.

On the other hand, Lin Ruoxi, who arrived earlier than him, was walking in the building with an icy expression.

Her long hair was draped over her back and with her icy aura, she resembled a snow lotus. Graceful and beautiful yet ice cold and unapproachable.

The staff and even some artists were so revered by her presence that no one dared to ask what she was doing backstage.

Lin Ruoxi glanced around the signs on the lounges quickly and when she spotted Hui Lin's name, she pushed open the door without hesitation!

In her glamorous lounge, Hui Lin was already dressed in a white evening gown for her performance, waiting for her turn to make a comeback.

Her pure and flawless face looked especially frantic and she stuttered at the sight of Lin Ruoxi.

The only staff by her side was her manager, Yu Min, who was bewildered at Lin Ruoxi's intrusion.

"You, go out." Lin Ruoxi glanced at Yu Min.

Yu Min didn't dare to utter a single word as Lin Ruoxi's tone was undefiable. With silent steps, Yu Min walked out of the door and even shut the door behind her.

Now that they were the only ones left in the room, Hui Lin mustered up courage to talk to Lin Ruoxi, "Sis, I...I know you surely hate me, I've betrayed you...but I really can't control my feelings. I..."

Lin Ruoxi walked towards Hui Lin and landed a heavy slap onto her left cheek!

The impact burned her cheek and her ears even started ringing!

Hui Lin could've dodged it but she didn't want to, willing to let her sister vent her anger on her.

But she didn't expect her to be so strong! How was it possible for her to feel dizzy when she was already in the Soul Forming stage?!

For Lin Ruoxi who was in the Houtian stage to achieve this, she must have not held back!

This realisation shattered Hui Lin's heart into pieces. She never expected Lin Ruoxi to slap her this hard but it also proved how furious she was.

Hui Lin cupped her left cheek and tears were pooling in her eyes as she looked at Lin Ruoxi pitifully, "Sis...I know you're furious. Hit me, if it makes you feel better..."

"Sl*t."

Lin Ruoxi uttered the word clearly.

It felt as if she had stabbed Hui Lin in her heart. Hui Lin was aghast and she bit onto her lips to hold her tears back.

"You must think of me as a fool. I came up with many plans for your comeback and I encouraged you to work hard, thinking that you're on my side and you felt sorry for me. Lin Hui, your acting skills are exceptional. I was so gullible to think that you would never betray me. I've actually thought you're the most innocent and kindest woman ever...I trusted you so much and I did so many things for you willingly, but you, you seduced my man behind my back, just like the other women? Don't you have any shame? Where's your conscience? Ask yourself, how dare you say those shameless words to me? Are you hoping for sympathy?" Lin Ruoxi sneered.

Tears flowed down onto the floor and Hui Lin shook her head while sobbing, "Sis...I never wanted your sympathy. I know I've wronged you. I wouldn't complain if you choose to hit me or scold me...I'll let you do anything as long as it makes you feel better..."

"Hmph," Lin Ruoxi snickered, "Do you think that I wouldn't do anything?"

Having said so, Lin Ruoxi raised her arms and slapped her twice!

Hui Lin grunted and pushed one hand against the wall to stabilise herself.

Lin Ruoxi didn't hold back and Hui Lin was starting to feel dizzy. She wasn't resisting or protecting herself with her cultivation, so naturally the impact was stronger.

Fortunately, the swelling of her face could be cured by True Yuan easily so it wouldn't shock others.

However, Lin Ruoxi didn't plan on stopping, "Are you putting up a pity act? You're not resisting and do you think that will make me stop? Not only will I hit you...I'll also kill you!"

At the end of her sentence, Hui Lin finally sensed something odd!

Murderous intent!

A dark, rich and thick cloud of murderous intent!

It felt as if Lin Ruoxi was immersed in darkness as she glared at Hui Lin with eyes full of unmasked murderous intent!

Was she really planning on killing me?!

Hui Lin finally jolted awake but she didn't have to think. How did her kind and gentle sister gain this immense murderous intent?!

Within a split second, Hui Lin dodged!

At the same time, Lin Ruoxi's hand was ready to clutch her throat and break her neck!

The sound of her arm cutting through the air could be heard and one could tell that she had used her full strength!

If Hui Lin hadn't reached the Soul Forming stage and knew some Kung Fu, she couldn't have dodged it!

However, that wasn't the end to Lin Ruoxi's attack as she swept her leg around and kicked Hui Lin's chest!

Hui Lin grunted in pain as her body was swept to the wall!

This wasn't sufficient to hurt her and with a flip, Hui Lin tried to dodge but Lin Ruoxi's kick came towards her once again.

This time, she was holding her car keys as a weapon to poke her eyes!

Hui Lin was in disbelief, Lin Ruoxi predicted her movement?!

She was even trying to blind her?!

Driven by desperation and fear, Hui Lin summoned a surge of True Yuan to build a shield!

Lin Ruoxi's attack landed nowhere and her body flew backwards from the momentum!

"Ah! Sis!"

Hui Lin thought she had injured Lin Ruoxi and she quickly ran towards her to help her up.

However, just when she got close to Lin Ruoxi, Lin Ruoxi swept her down by swinging her leg against Hui Lin's ankle!

Hui Lin lost her balance and stumbled onto the floor with a gasp!

"Didn't you say that you'll let me do whatever I want? Why, are you scared now that you're resisting?!"

Lin Ruoxi sneered and jumped up. With one swift movement, she pressed Hui Lin underneath her and was ready to pierce her throat with her car keys!

Someone kicked the door open and pushed Lin Ruoxi away from Hui Lin!

Lin Ruoxi rolled over but she stood up immediately to glare at Yang Chen.

Yang Chen's heart was pounding so hard and he felt guilty, seeing Hui Lin who was overwhelmed with shock.

While panting, Yang Chen looked up and exchanged gazes with Lin Ruoxi.

It was lucky that he bumped into Yu Min to find out about Hui Lin's room. If he hadn't come in time, Hui Lin might have really been killed by Lin Ruoxi.

Yang Chen couldn't really recognize her even though he was very familiar with her face. Her gaze was ferocious and venomous and she resembled someone whom he could never forget.

"Lin Ruoxi, have you lost your mind?! Did you really want to kill Hui Lin?!" Yang Chen struggled to ask.

Lin Ruoxi chuckled, "Didn't you see it? Why? Are you in pain now that you see your new lover about to die? You beast. She's not dead yet..."

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Innocent or Dumb

Yang Chen remembered she called him a beast if he ever dared to touch Hui Lin. It seemed like no matter how angry she was, she would never forget the words she said before.

At the thought of this, his anger towards Lin Ruoxi diminished. It turned into guilt, he was the one who failed to resolve the conflict.

Yang Chen bent down silently and helped Hui Lin up. Seeing her dazed expression aggravated him, "Are you dumb? You should've protected yourself with True Yuan even if you're not fighting back!"

"I..." Tears pooled in Hui Lin's eyes, "I didn't want to hurt her..."

"Do you think she can be easily hurt after cultivating with my technique? Even if she's only in the Houtian stage, your shield would barely lay a scratch on her!" Yang Chen was speechless with her innocence.

Hui Lin hung her head low, she couldn't bring herself to fight her sister.

Yang Chen sighed and spoke to Lin Ruoxi gently, "Ruoxi, don't do this. No matter how angry you are, I should be the one making it up to you. Hui Lin calls you sister but she's not related to you. Don't you think that it's unfair for you to vent your anger on her?"

"Are you saying that you can have sex with anyone who's not related to me?" Lin Ruoxi snickered.

Yang Chen shook her head, "You know that's not what I meant. I've wronged you and betrayed you but aren't you the one who pushed Hui Lin to me?"

“Are you blaming me?” Lin Ruoxi sneered.

“I’m talking facts with you!” Yang Chen was stern, “Hui Lin already had feelings for me back when we first met in Tibet but I didn’t want to have a relationship with her. I rejected and avoided her even when her grandmother insisted on sending her to my side! Then when she stayed in our house, you were the one who let her stay with us. You founded a company for her, invested in concerts and shows for her and even appointed me as the director in charge of her career...you knew she had feelings for me but you didn’t take it seriously at all. Even when she was filming, you insisted that I pay her a visit on the set. None of this would’ve happened if you didn’t do those things. Aren’t you the one who tied us together? I don’t get it, were you trying to test me or did you really believe in Hui Lin’s self-control? At least I know it wasn’t my intention. I’ve hurt Hui Lin for you, rejected her countless times but I can’t hurt her forever. She has the right to make a choice and take action for her love life! She’s not your sister! Other than falling in love with me, she has done nothing wrong to you. She even tried to take care of your feelings, she didn’t want you to worry or get hurt. Even when you tried to kill her just now, she only used her True Yuan to protect herself instead of hurting you...do you really think Hui Lin doesn’t know how to kill someone? She trained in Shushan for years. How could she not know how to fight with her True Yuan? Aren’t you being too cruel to her?”

Hui Lin choked with sobs but no one knew if it was because she was touched or in pain.

The past seemed so far away but each time it was brought up, it still shook her to the core.

Lin Ruoxi’s face was unreadable. She was silent for some time before speaking in a trembling voice, “Are you saying that I should be grateful towards her?”

“You don’t have to be grateful but you shouldn’t hate her. I can take it if you want to stab my heart but you shouldn’t hurt her.” Yang Chen’s eyes were red, unable to control his emotions.

“Stab your heart? Hmph, do you think of me as a fool? Your body would recover immediately even if I dig your heart out and put it back. What’s the point of stabbing you?”

Lin Ruoxi glared at him in disdain and walked out of the door.

“Where are you going?!” Yang Chen blocked her way.

Lin Ruoxi swatted his hand away, “None of your business!”

“Follow me home!” Yang Chen blocked the exit.

Lin Ruoxi’s eyes glinted with a cold glow as she extended her arm to punch his abdomen!

Yang Chen was quick to react, having trained for years. His near-death experiences shaped him into an agile person!

Before Lin Ruoxi could hit him, Yang Chen had already blocked her attack and was about to grab her other hand when Lin Ruoxi made a sharp turn and kicked his hand away.

With another turn, Lin Ruoxi raised her knee to hit his waist!

Yang Chen didn’t see this coming and he was in shock!

But his instincts overtook him and he quickly pressed down her right shoulder with his left arm.

However, Lin Ruoxi managed to get out of his grasp and took a few steps back.

Although her strength and skills were weaker than Yang Chen, he still failed to pin her down.

“Your moves are sharp! If this was on a battlefield, you would’ve killed a person with each move. There are no excessive moves and they connect together in a perfect rhythm. You couldn’t have achieved this in a short time of training. No wonder Hui Lin was pinned down to the ground.”

Yang Chen understood the earlier situation now, but a bigger doubt filled his mind. With furrowed brows, he asked, “Lin Ruoxi, who taught you all these?!”

“I said, none of your business!”

Lin Ruoxi snapped and she suddenly grabbed Hui Lin and tossed her over her shoulder!

Hui Lin wasn’t prepared for this and before she could even react, she had already bumped into the wall and fell onto the carpet.

Although she wasn’t hurt, it was another blow to Hui Lin.

“Lin Ruoxi!! Have you lost your mind?!”

Yang Chen roared and he was about to slap her, but his trembling hand stopped halfway. He couldn’t bring himself to hit her.

How could he hit his beloved woman?

Lin Ruoxi looked up to give him a side-eye before walking out of the door.

This time, Yang Chen didn’t stop her. He was trying to recollect himself. After finally calming down, he walked next to Hui Lin.

Hui Lin didn’t want his help and she stood up immediately as if avoiding his touch. While wiping her tears, Hui Lin forced a smile, “Brother Yang, go chase after her. She must be emotionally unstable now. I’m fine.”

“Hui Lin, you...” Yang Chen didn’t know what to say, he was more indebted to her now.

Hui Lin pushed Yang Chen out of the door, “I’m really fine. I still need to touch up my makeup for my performance. Brother Yang, you should go now before someone comes over.”

“Performance?” Yang Chen looked back in shock, “Lin Hui, are you innocent or dumb?”

Hui Lin shook her head and forced a smile, “I’m really awake, she must be too furious. I’m sure she didn’t really want to kill me...I’ll work hard and do my job so that the investments don’t go to waste. Maybe it’ll make her happy. I’m not asking for her forgiveness, as long as it cheers her up a little...”

Yang Chen sighed, stumped for words.

His mind was filled with questions and doubts. With his experience, he could practically call himself the grandmaster of battling techniques and to him, Lin Ruoxi's killing moves were on par with a master. The only thing she lacked was a weapon.

To achieve this, not only would she need a good physique, talent and experience were crucial too. There were less than ten people who could be considered as a master, including Noriko Okawa who died in his hands.

It was unimaginable, how much had she been hiding? Or was there something more to it?

Regardless of the truth, Yang Chen believed that Lin Ruoxi was the one who killed the group of Houtian elites when she and Lanlan were kidnapped. With such skills, it wouldn't be a problem for her to fight ten people by herself.

After telling Hui Lin to take care of herself, Yang Chen dashed out of the room, worried that Lin Ruoxi would do something crazy again