

## Chapter 601: So What If I Don't Know Him?

"I know!" Jiang Yao scratched her head anxiously and took out her cell phone wanting to call for help!

No reception in the area! Damn it!

Jiang Yao could not help but cursed out loud.

She threw her cell phone back into the car and quickly retrieved the items in the rear seat.

She came prepared. Other than some food and daily necessities, she also bought ropes and an inflatable kayak. Calling for help was just in case she needed more aid.

Although, now it seemed like she was on her own.

"Moe! Get the air pump and fill the kayak with air! Hurry up!" Jiang Yao shoved Moe the items before taking two ropes and tying them into a dead knot on the car's front wheels.

She felt extremely grateful at the moment that Lu Xingzhi taught her, back in the platoon, how to tie this unique dead knot. She was actually able to use it!

After tying the knot, Jiang Yao went around and collected the biggest rocks she could move. Putting them around the car's wheels, she did it to prevent the car from being swept away by the strong river current.

Jiang Yao was not the frail lady she once was. It took her no effort at all when she carried a thirty-plus kilogram rock from the side of the road.

This was one of the benefits of having Physical Strength and Force Value.

"Jiang Yao, are you going into the water? You fool of a human, are you nuts?!" Moe retracted his claws after pumping the kayak with air. He was infuriated when he saw Jiang Yao tying the ropes onto the kayak and on herself.

"There is no phone reception here, I have to do it! I can't let him be swept away by the water! If that happens, all my efforts are wasted! My only objective doing what I did last night was to rescue him! He is now right in front of me, if I don't rescue him, what should I do then?"

"Insane! You are out of your mind! You've never seen him before! He's not Lu Xingzhi either, what has his death got to do with you? Why should you put your life on the line to save him?"

Moe wanted to puncture her kayak with his claws and drag her back into the car!

This lady was out of her mind!

Moe did not understand why Jiang Yao wanted to rescue someone she did not know.

"Yes, Moe, you are right! But let me tell you this, he is a soldier who has touched me. It's fine if I didn't know of the incident, but now that I am aware, I have got to do something! I don't feel alright if I don't try my best in saving him. He is not an evil person, I can't let him die in front of my own eyes!"

Jiang Yao growled in a hoarse voice, "He is a soldier, just like Lu Xingzhi! They are our country's protector, shielding the people from harm. We shouldn't give up on him and let him die of such a

pathetic death! I found him and I have got to try and save him! I like to think that someone else would do what I did today if Lu Xingzhi was stuck in the same predicament!”

## **Chapter 602: Act Accordingly**

Yes, there would be a danger if she went into the water.

But that was only a possibility.

She could be safe.

Moreover, she was well prepared. Rocks were used to jam her car’s wheels, introducing more resistance and friction.

She also had professional-grade ropes and a kayak.

It was calculated, she was not going to jump into the action without any safety in place.

“You are insane!” Moe did not agree with Jiang Yao’s decision.

“So be it.” Jiang Yao shrugged. “Only if the Medical System was better, giving me the ability to walk on water with the Force Value, I would be in a much safer position now!”

“You fool of a human! Do you think the Medical System is omnipotent? The Force Value can only give you the ability to protect yourself, not the ability to be as powerful as a superhero!” Moe rolled his eyes at Jiang Yao.

She chuckled, indeed it was quite unreasonable. But she wanted to say it, what if there was a hidden power in the Force Value?

The Medical System was still a mysterious existence. What if there existed a hidden system, but she was barred from accessing it because of her lack of credentials? Perhaps she could do the same and threaten the System Admin again. Unfortunately, looking at Moe, it seemed highly unlikely such a thing existed.

Jiang Yao pouted and patted Moe’s head after making sure that the knots were tight. “Look out for me, if the car is in danger of being swept away by the river, drive it forward. I left the keys in the ignition and I trust your ability as a noble pet butler, it shouldn’t be a problem for you!”

“The problem here is I absolutely do not know how to drive a car.” Moe rolled his eyes again.

Jiang Yao sighed. It seemed like she overestimated Moe, a cat with human intelligence.

When she wanted him to be an ordinary pet, he was as intelligent as humans.

Yet, when she wanted him to function as a human, he was just a cat.

“Well, just look out for me, if things go south...” Jiang Yao sighed deeply, “Pull me up by the rope. You should have the strength to do it.”

All she could do was to do her best, with her capabilities, to save the soldier.

Moe nodded, followed by a grunt, expressing his displeasure at Jiang Yao.

Jiang Yao pushed the kayak closer to the water as she observed the person on the rock.

“Hey, comrade, hang on! I’m coming to get you!” Jiang Yao cupped her hands around her mouth and hoped that it amplified her voice.

Unexpectedly, she saw him shake his head as he said in a weak voice, “It’s dangerous, Jiang Yao, don’t come here.”

### **Chapter 603: You Shouldn’t Have Come**

The soldier called out her name accurately, and in a commanding tone, stopping her from entering the water.

Jiang Yao was startled.

If she remembered correctly, this tone could only be heard either from an annoyed Lu Xingzhi or a person acting like a spoiled brat in the platoon, one whose nickname was “spiky head”, given by Lu Xingzhi.

Chen Feibai.

It was Chen Feibai on the rock!

Jiang Yao hurled every profanity she knew at Liang Yueze deep down in her heart.

After seeing Chen Feibai, she knew that Liang Yueze lied to her over the phone. Old General Liang was saying that the missing soldier came from the Jin City platoon, not the other way round. Although they were unsure of the identity of the soldier back then.

Damn it!

Jiang Yao cursed again. She knew that Liang Yueze did it out of concern for her, yet she could not help but feel angry.

She now understood why the name of the sacrificed soldier was not reported in any news.

With the Chen family’s capabilities, it was not a surprise if they could block the publishing of his name on the news.

As the Chen family’s only son, Chen Feibai perished in an act of bravery. It was heroic but tragic at the same time.

The Chen family did not want any more heroic acts, they needed an heir.

Chen Feibai’s death was a massive blow to the Chen family and immense anguish to his parents. If his name was made known, his parents would get hurt even more.

Every time they read the news, every time they saw his name, it would bring the pain back again.

Without entering the water, Jiang Yao would not know just how cold and freezing the water of West River could be in November, and how rapid the current was.

It was a mere two-meter distance, but Jiang Yao struggled even more.

Fortunately, the water was relatively shallow. She was able to cross it bare-footed initially. As she got closer, she leveraged the kayak's buoyancy and inched toward Chen Feibai.

She spent more than half an hour trying to navigate the two-meter between them.

"Give me your hand!" Jiang Yao extended her hand out in difficulty but seeing him shaking his head disapprovingly, she snorted. "I am here already. If you do that one more time, I am going to smack you so hard!"

It probably was Chen Feibai's first time being berated like this. He thought about it and gave Jiang Yao his hand.

Jiang Yao's strength was greater than Chen Feibai's expectation. The moment she grabbed his hand, she immediately pulled him off the rock. He had no idea how he landed in her kayak.

The sharp edges of the rock sliced through the wounds on his back. The numbness was instantly shattered by the immense pain as he gritted his teeth. But that woke him up a little too.

"You shouldn't have come." Chen Feibai lay on the kayak and looked at Jiang Yao tying a rope on her waist and his. She was fast and seemed like she knew her stuff.

Back in the platoon, Chen Feibai remembered hearing about Captain Lu teaching Jiang Yao plenty of things, this seemed to be one of them.

In his pain, Chen Feibai thought he could see Lu Xingzhi's face of regret if he knew later that what he taught his wife was used to save him.

#### **Chapter 604: Shouldn't Have Saved You**

"If I knew you were lying here waiting for death, I wouldn't have entered the water! I wouldn't want to nurse you back to health only for you to clash with Lu Xingzhi and make him mad!" Jiang Yao rolled her eyes at Chen Feibai and grunted.

She felt she needed to say more and continued, "Look at you in your pathetic state, that is God's punishment for behaving like a brat in front of my husband! Remember, Chen Feibai, I saved your life! If you disrespect my husband, it means that you disrespect me, your savior."

Everything Jiang Yao said was to stir up Chen Feibai's spirit. She did not want him to fall asleep on the kayak and impede the rescue process.

"It's no use, Jiang Yao, everybody knows I am an ingrate." Chen Feibai proceeded to laugh in a very strange and hoarse voice.

Seeing this, Jiang Yao knew that Chen Feibai had gained a little alertness and chose not to distract herself by talking more.

She spent more than half an hour getting to the rock from the riverbank.

Returning to the river bank from the rock was a treacherous journey, there were a few times where they were so close to falling into the water from the kayak.

Fortunately, they arrived safely, with Moe's occasional help in tugging at the rope.

Jiang Yao was drenched, however.

She was just about to ask if Chen Feibai could walk to the car himself when she saw that he had fainted.

Looking at his posture, it seemed like he was about to stand up before passing out. From that, Jiang Yao finally saw the ghastly wound on his back.

Blood had stopped flowing, but being immersed in the water for long periods of time had the skin around the wound in an extremely disgusting state.

Jiang Yao heaved Chen Feibai onto the rear seats of the car before changing into a set of clean clothes she prepared earlier. She then climbed into the trunk and moved him into the Medical System.

Upon entering the System, Jiang Yao learned that the wound on Chen Feibai's back looked horrific but was not actually severe. His vitals were not hurt and most of it were scratches and bruises, that was why he lasted as long as he did.

After dressing his wounds, Jiang Yao had the System Admin change Chen Feibai into the Medical System's cotton sterilized scrub.

She was going to do it herself, after all, to a doctor, a patient's body was nothing more than a corpse.

However, she was reminded of Lu Xingzhi, with his intense jealousy, she asked for the System Admin's help instead.

Even if she did it, Lu Xingzhi might not know but Jiang Yao did not want to do anything that would make him unhappy.

After exiting the System, Jiang Yao once again started the car, heading toward Rong County now.

Since she did not need to drive along the river, she went for the fastest and safest route.

She needed to put Chen Feibai in a safe place after removing him from the Medical System. After that, she wanted to go to the frontlines at Rong County and try her luck at meeting Lu Xingzhi and even help out if needed.

She was a doctor, and medical assistance was very much needed now in the frontlines.

### **Chapter 605: Heartwarming**

Upon entering Rong County, Jiang Yao immediately saw the site for Shengqi Hospital and its signage.

The Director was very capable as he did not forget to advertise for Shengqi Hospital after their charitable deed.

However, the doctors on duty here did not know who Jiang Yao was.

"No outsiders are allowed here." A nurse noticed Jiang Yao and hurriedly stopped her from entering.

"I have a patient in my car, can you get two strong male nurses to carry him in?" Jiang Yao was not angry. After all, it was indeed the rule here, and the nurse was only doing what she was told.

The doctors on duty immediately arranged for the help of two nurses before approaching Jiang Yao and asked her, in a low voice, about the patient's condition.

Jiang Yao smiled. "He is doing fine. I dressed his wounds already, you just have to give him a place to rest."

Her smile came because she was happy with the medical staff's attitude; they were serious about their jobs.

Hearing that Jiang Yao had dressed the wounds herself, the doctor was surprised. He looked at her earnestly, observing her appearance before asking, "Are you a doctor who came here to help?"

"You could say so." Jiang Yao did not really answer his question. "With the flood here in Rong County, things like electricity and water supply are not available, it's harsh being here. Aren't you all upset that you were sent here from a comfortable place like the hospital?"

The doctor laughed after hearing Jiang Yao's question. "Initially, after receiving the notice, we were not too happy about it. Until hearing the news from the hospital that anyone who comes here gets their wage for the month tripled, that is."

He waved his hand at Jiang Yao. "This! This is unheard of! No other medical staff here other than the ones from our hospital gets compensated like this!"

At this point, he sighed. "This is not it. Most importantly, when we came to the frontlines here at Rong County and saw the faces of despair on the people, our displeasure and annoyance vanished. As doctors, we could not rescue the victims from the face of a disaster as the soldiers did, but we could contribute in our own way, saving people from the brink of death!"

"Yes, we were shaken by the experience of being here." A nurse beside them nodded. "A soldier was washed away yesterday and still nothing was heard of him until now. We are so worried and hope he will be alright!"

There were very few people who were cold-blooded and apathetic.

But the majority of people had a kind heart and an innate altruistic tendency.

The medical staff from Shengqi Hospital was just like them, they were all compassionate people.

### **Chapter 606: Wonderful News!**

Jiang Yao looked on as two well-built male nurses carried Chen Feibai and placed him on a temporary bed. Even though she told him that the wounds were dressed, the doctor still went ahead and examined them in detail. Only after making sure that the patient was alright did he feel relieved.

"His wounds were dressed professionally, where did you recover this patient?" The doctor asked. "He looks very clean, I assume it was done somewhere relatively sterilized, why did you bring him over?"

"He is the soldier swept away by the flood. I found him on a river by the borders of Jade River County and Rong County. On my way here, I dressed his wounds in a villager's house. That being said, he was immersed in the water for a long time so he will need professional medical care and an IV." Jiang Yao

stole a glance at Chen Feibai before adding, "His body temperature will rise in a short while, don't forget to put him on some medicine."

Everyone around stopped what they were doing in shock as they looked at Chen Feibai, with respect and reverence in their eyes.

This was the hero they were all talking about!

After all their prayers, he was finally far from harm's way!

"This is wonderful!" The young nurses cried in happiness. "He's alive! He's alive!"

They hugged each other as tears streamed down their faces.

"That's enough, get back to work!" The doctor returned to his senses and urged the rest to return to their positions. However, his lips were curled upward throughout, obviously, he was happy and ecstatic.

It was more common for a man to suppress his emotions in public, that was why he did not break out in tears like the nurses.

"Okay!" The doctor nodded at Jiang Yao. He saw Jiang Yao leaving the tent just as he was giving the nurses instructions. "It's very dangerous out there with the flood going on, where are you headed?"

"Do you know where the people of Changkang Group are?" Jiang Yao said, "Nanjiang City's Changkang Group."

"About a thousand meters straight ahead is their site. They just arrived as well," the doctor replied.

"There is a sign right in front of their tent, it's very hard to miss."

"Thank you, I'll go and have a look." Jiang Yao thanked him and went out of the tent with an umbrella in her hand.

Jiang Yao's company, the Changkang Group, only had Manager Sun and Lu Yuqing employed currently. If she was not mistaken, Manager Sun would hire some temporary help.

Again, the preparation of supplies took time, unlike the manpower of a hospital. Either the supplies had just arrived or they were on their way here.

Jiang Yao was able to spot the simple signage from afar, while Manager Sun was giving out instructions to people moving supplies into the tent.

She approached and was just about to call out when she saw a figure in military green exiting the tent.

What a coincidence, it was Lu Xingzhi!

## **Chapter 607: Beaten**

She ran toward Lu Xingzhi as fast as she could without care and hugged him tightly.

"What on earth--"

Lu Xingzhi was solidly frightened. He came out of the tent only to be jumped on by someone else. The impact of the collision shoved him a few steps back while the culprit seemed to not realize it and kept nuzzling his chest.

Instinctively, he was about to kick the person, no matter the gender, away. Luckily, he saw who she was and stopped his swing just in time.

“Yaoyao?” Lu Xingzhi smiled resignedly and patted her head. She did not care if he was filthy and kept rubbing her face on his clothes.

The initial shock was followed by the joy of reunion and then came the concern and worry.

“Don’t you know it’s dangerous here in Rong County? Why did you come here alone? The audacity!” The more he said, the more concerned he got and the angrier he became. He raised his hand and smacked Jiang Yao on the butt three times. He was obviously furious as he did not hold back.

Jiang Yao looked at Lu Xingzhi teary-eyed after the unexpected assault.

If only they were somewhere isolated, she would have given him a piece of her mind!

Nobody else had ever beaten her.

Not even her own parents!

How dare he?

“Lu Xingzhi! What is wrong with you?” She glared at the man standing in front of her. “I didn’t mind your filthiness and those beard stubbles on your face, like a homeless person. How dare you hit me? Huh!?”

She shoved him away and stepped back, her chest heaving violently.

Oh, she was mad furious!

The more she thought about it, the angrier she got and sidestepped Lu Xingzhi, wanting to approach Manager Sun. However, he blocked her path before she could even move.

“Where are you going?” His voice was frightening.

“None of your damn business!” Jiang Yao glared. “Get out of my sight!”

Lu Xingzhi raised his eyebrows. Seemed like she was really angry, having cursed at him.

He was even angrier!

Realizing that people were watching, Lu Xingzhi lifted his wife up and put her on his shoulder. She struggled, flailing her limbs around but was greeted with another hit on her butt. “Can it!” Although it was not as heavy-handed as before.

Jiang Yao did not want to speak to Lu Xingzhi at all. She put her hands around her butt, shielding them from further hits, and let Lu Xingzhi do what he wanted.

### **Chapter 608: The Audacity**

Anyhow, she would not forgive him if he did not apologize!



Lu Xingzhi carried her all the way to a secluded spot and finally put her down. He looked at her with a sour expression and said, "How did you get here? Who came with you?"

Jiang Yao patted her clothes, took a few steps back and grunted, to show her dissatisfaction.

She was infuriated!

"Look at you, how dare you get angry at me?" Lu Xingzhi thought Jiang Yao looked adorable, but he needed to teach her a lesson so he suppressed his smile.

He was surprised when he saw Jiang Yao, but he was even more worried.

Indeed, he was elated to see her, but it had to be a time where there was no danger around.

The surrounding cities and counties of Rong County had been raining for the past few days. Being the worst affected area, it was no wonder that the neighboring counties were hit by the disaster in varying severities as well.

Upon arriving at Rong County with the military, news of vehicles transporting relief supplies losing control and crashing was not unheard of. A bus, carrying more than two dozen volunteers got into an accident, with half of the passengers sustaining injuries.

Most places in the south, be it villages, towns, or cities, were located next to a river. With the rain pouring on endlessly, floods and landslides happening were only a matter of time.

Why would Lu Xingzhi not be concerned?

He was angry at her lack of communication, coming here all the way from Nanjiang City without even telling him.

What if something happened on her way here.

"Yaoyao, come on, stop fooling around." Seeing that Jiang Yao was truly angry, Lu Xingzhi spoke again, this time in a softer albeit serious tone.

He hit her in a fit of rage, but it was for her own good. He did not regret doing it even though she was now mad at him.

"Don't talk to me!" Jiang Yao glared at her husband.

Who was fooling around here?

She finally knew why Mrs. Lu used to say that Lu Xingzhi's emotional intelligence was as good as a five-year-old kid. When he wanted to marry her previously, he knew that she did not want to and it was not her parents' decision. Yet, he still put in a lot of effort trying to win her parents over instead of her.

Now, even though he knew she was angry, he still blamed her for being unreasonable.

It made sense now, she thought, why she gave him the cold-treatment for the past eleven years.

She wanted to leave then and there but looking at his weary state, she could not do it.

“Alright, I’ll tell you. Look at you and your frown.” Jiang Yao sighed. She gave up as she could not bear seeing her husband suffer.

Caressing his face, she asked, “How long has it been since you last rested? Were you injured in the selection?”

Engulfed in rage, she even forgot to check his conditions.

### **Chapter 609: Answer My Question**

She was relieved to learn from the System Admin that Lu Xingzhi had sustained only minor scratches. However, he seemed to be in a state of high mental focus for an extended period of time and was not able to rest since.

“Answer my question first.” Seeing Jiang Yao’s softened stance, only then did Lu Xingzhi pull her into his embrace.

Of course, he was angry, but she was right here in front of him, he was a fool not to get a little physical and intimate with her.

He was at the Changkang Group’s site just a while ago. According to Manager Sun, all employees of the company came, which were him and Lu Yuqing. Although, Jiang Yao did not come with. At least, that was what Manager Sun said.

That was why he was startled to see Jiang Yao’s sudden appearance.

“I drove here myself since yesterday afternoon,” said Jiang Yao. “Chen Feibai! I saved Chen Feibai!”

Jiang Yao bobbed her head, desperately wanting Lu Xingzhi to praise her. “I found him at a river between Rong County and Jade River County. He was lying on a rock in the middle of the river.”

Lu Xingzhi’s temper boiled when he heard that Jiang Yao came alone, as his temples started pulsating, and then he heard that she departed yesterday and found Chen Feibai. His rage immediately soared.

Seeing her expressing her desire to be praised, Lu Xingzhi struggled to hold down thoughts of giving her another beating then and there.

“Where is Chen Feibai? How is he doing?” Lu Xingzhi’s voice was as cold as the freezing winter rain.

Jiang Yao shook her body and looked at Lu Xingzhi. Was he too relieved to learn that Chen Feibai was safe?

“Over at Shengqi Hospital’s site, let’s go!” As they started walking, headed for the aforementioned location.

After Chen Feibai’s rescue, the doctor immediately informed the superiors of the platoon on the frontlines. At this moment, other than the medical staff, Chen Feibai’s comrades and superiors were all gathered in the tent.

With the arrival of visitors, the doctor turned his attention to the entrance and saw Jiang Yao entering. He spoke to the several superiors beside him, “This doctor right here rescued the soldier!”

Lu Xingzhi entered holding Jiang Yao's hand and only let it go when saluting his superior. "General!"

Right in front of him stood the head of a military company in the south, one of the prominent leaders of the special forces unit selection process.

He nodded and asked, "I thought you were supposed to erect the tents delivered by Changkang Group? Why are you here?"

Perhaps he remembered seeing Lu Xingzhi holding Chen Feibai's rescuer's hand when he entered, he looked at Jiang Yao before asking, "So, what are you two?"

"She's my wife," Lu Xingzhi explained. "How is Chen Feibai?"

### **Chapter 610: Amazing**

"Don't worry, Captain Lu, he is safe now. Your wife dressed his wounds well, and after the fever is gone, he will be as good as new after a good rest." The doctor explained in smiles. "You are an amazing couple! One is a soldier fighting the disaster the other a doctor who rescued a soldier!"

Lu Xingzhi curled his lips and thought to himself just how amazing his wife was. She drove, alone, into the disaster zone and found Chen Feibai. Not just that, she was also the owner of both Shengqi Hospital and Changkang Group.

As for him, his efforts in the frontlines these past few days paled in comparison to her.

Hmph!

Lu Xingzhi did not look too happy, but the General, on the other hand, was smiling.

He patted Jiang Yao's shoulders and nodded. "Amazing! Amazing! You are a hero!"

The General was genuinely pleased. Chen Feibai's identity was special. The military could not notify the Chen family until hours after the incident happened.

Immediately, the Chen family contacted the nearest military base and requested the usage of a helicopter to search for him in the night.

With last night's pouring rain, it was dangerous for the helicopter to be airborne. But, it went up into the skies anyway, all to search for Chen Feibai. Perhaps they were unlucky or perhaps it was the nasty weather, the helicopter could not find a single trace of Chen Feibai even though it spent the entire night circling the skies of Rong County.

Only when dawn arrived, the battered helicopter was withdrawn and used on other avenues.

Everyone thought that the worst had happened.

Perhaps, his body would one day be found floating in the water. Or maybe, his body would never be found, destined to lay in eternity in a foreign land.

Just when they were all deep in sadness thinking of ways to inform the Chen family, Shengqi Hospital called with good news, stating that the washed-away soldier was found and in stable condition.

“Thank you so much, General, I was just doing my part.” Jiang Yao accepted the General’s praise without much of a reaction. She gave him a smile and did not speak further.

“The other search and rescue teams have just arrived. Lu Xingzhi, you and your team should rest.” The General said seriously. “I understand that the more people we have, the better it is for rescue efforts. But your team is different. Each and every one of you were up in the mountains of Ying County for the past week going through the gruelling selection process. Some have not slept well for a long time. We are the best, the protector of our people, but we are still human beings and need to rest. I don’t want anyone of you to die of extreme exhaustion. Go and tell everyone to stop what they are doing, this is an order!”