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Chapter 61 Could Lu Jinye Have an Illegitimate Child

“I was just kidding around when I said Dr. Lu has a thing for Dr. Mu, it was a wild guess, I didn’t think it’d be true.”

The nurse said as she placed the records before Mu Zhi, eyes sparkling with curiosity.

Mu Zhi could not help but pout her lips, “What nonsense are you talking about? Why don’t you write a novel with that imagination of yours?”

Mu Zhi intentionally took on a stern face to intimidate the nurse.

Alas, not only did the nurse not relent, but she also pressed on delightfully, “How am I talking nonsense? It’s already on the news headlines.”

“It says that you used to be Mr. Lu, Lu Jinye’s wife, Dr. Mu, but at the same time, you’re related to Dr. Lu, Lu Junnian, and are currently going out, evident by the photos!”

Afraid that Mu Zhi would not believe her, the nurse handed the photo to Mu Zhi.

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Mu Zhi’s brows were involuntarily scrunched up as she inspected the photo.

Evident by what photo? The photo merely depicted the aftermath of her car crash. While she was not injured in the forehead, she had lost consciousness and Lu Junnian carried her off the car. How did the reporters have the audacity to accuse them of intimate interaction on the streets?!

Mu Zhi was fuming. Her gaze bounced between the nurse and the photo. She decided, in the end, to explain herself to the nurse. Clarifying her innocence to one person at a time!

“Look at what’s in the background, Lu Junnian rescued me out of the car after I got in a crash. How were we embracing each other?”

“Under a conscious state, a person wouldn’t be moving like that by the involuntary response of the muscles, right?”

Mu Zhi explained as she handed the photo back to the nurse.

Fortunately, the nurse seemed to be convinced. She nodded at Mu Zhi, thinking that Mu Zhi had a point.

“The reporters are just making baseless claims! How could they do this? Giving me false hopes, thinking that I’m a witness to a famous scandal!”

Mu Zhi looked at the nurse in amusement, “Do you think I’m the person the news depicted?”

The nurse promptly shook her head, “Not at all, you’re such a kind soul, Dr. Mu, and you’ve always kept a low profile, which means your husband must be someone of the low profile too!”

The nurse took the liberty to presume what Mu Zhi’s husband was like. Mu Zhi pondered for a moment, Is Lu Jinye considered as low profile?

After all the effort of hiding her identity, perhaps he was considered as one!

“Fine, please excuse me, I need to go through my records.”

Mu Zhi no longer wanted to explain further. She drew the nurse away.

The moment the nurse had left, she started researching the news vigorously. She must admit that the reporter was quite talented, articulating the story in a well-constructed manner, as though it was true.

She analytically concluded that Mu Zhi was indeed Mrs. Lu through joining the dots of a few clues. She also rationally explained how she hooked up with Lu Junnian.

Besides, the impact of the news was huge. It had been widespread at this point and would have been too late if she had not started acting to stop the spread!

While Mu Zhi was inspecting the angle of the photos in detail, her phone suddenly rang.

It was Jian Xiaoning’s call, and she sounded anxious!

“Have you seen the news! Check it out now!”

“I have,”

Mu Zhi responded casually.

As if she was not involved in the news while Jian Xiaoning was!

Jian Xiaoning was seemingly frustrated by Mu Zhi's listlessness. She reminded, "Do you know what I am referring to? Hurry up and cover it."

"It's fine, don't worry about it. What can a mere doctor like me do anything about covering the news? Someone will take care of it. That's all. I need to go, to analyze the angle of Lu Junnian and my photo."

How was she still calm enough to analyze the angle of the photo!

Jian Xiaoning was exasperated, but she said nothing of what she intended to say and hung up the phone right away.

While Mu Zhi forwarded the news to Lu Jinye after the call.

Judging by the seriousness of the matter, she certainly needed Lu Jinye to handle the situation!

After this, Mu Zhi was more reassured as she returned to the photos.

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On the other hand, when Lu Jinye heard the notification from his phone, he did not bother checking it as he was playing chess with Liang Yunzhan in this instance. Upon playing his move, Liang Yunzhan said, "Jieyi just started kindergarten lately and he seems to have taken a liking on one of the girls."

Lu Jinye knew Liang Jieyi had inherited his elder brother, Liang Yunzhan's intelligence. An ordinary girl would not catch his eyes.

"And who is this alluring young lady?"

Lu Jinye did not lift his head to meet Liang Yunzhan's eyes. He was playing his move as he spoke.

"The little girl who was with Mu Zhi the other day."

"Around three to four years of age." Added Liang Yunzhan.

Lu Jinye put all his focus on the chessboard. He had no interest in a conversation about children, so he blabbered.

"Mu Xiaomu."

Liang Yunzhan was startled briefly. He raised his head to look at Lu Jinye, while Lu Jinye kept his poise.

Liang Yunzhan came intending to find out if Lu Jinye had an illegitimate child whom he was not aware of. And the child he had in mind was none other than Mu Xiaomu.

But he was starting to doubt his hypothesis at this point.

Since Lu Jinye knew who Mu Xiaomu was, it meant that Lu Jinye was aware of her existence. He could be certain of that. However, there might be secrets that must not be told.

Thus, Liang Yunzhan stopped pursuing further.

At this moment, Xiao Qingqing stepped into the room and ordered the tea master to leave. She took her seat at the edge of the room and started brewing tea for Lu Jinye and Liang Yunzhan.

Both of them were lasered in on the chess game. They did not notice Xiao Qingqing until she was topping up their teacups.

“Thanks for the tea,” Liang Yunzhan stared at Xiao Qingqing as he showed his gratitude.

While Xiao Qingqing responded with a smile and greeted him.

Following which, Liang Yunzhan kept mum, despite all the words he wanted to get out.

He was not a nosy man. And he knew to respect the privacy of others.

Since Xiao Qingqing was around, he figured that he should not stay any longer. He left after two more games of chess with Lu Jinye.

As soon as Liang Yunzhan left, Xiao Qingqing approached Lu Jinye with a smile and said to him, “I have dinner tonight, I need to talk to some investors, do you think you can drop me off?”

Afraid that she would get rejected, she added, “This is an opportunity to make a debut since returning to the country, I hope to get your support. That way, my life would be much easier in the circle.”

“Jinye...”

Xiao Qingqing resorted to a coquettish tone laced with hints of pleading. Lu Jinye glanced at Xiao Qingqing as he agreed.

She was out of the world. After a brief small talk, she left to return to her room to get prepared.

As soon as she stepped out, Lu Jinye returned to his seat, took up his phone, and noticed Mu Zhi's message.

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Chapter 62 Intimacy

Lu Jinye tapped on the link with a frown, but he realized that the link had expired. It showed that the original poster had removed the post.

After a quick hesitation, Lu Jinye took up the phone and gave Mu Zhi a call.

Mu Zhi was expecting a reply when she first sent the link. However, she did not receive one from Lu Jinye, even after the news had been covered up. She figured Lu Jinye might have been occupied and forgotten about it.

She was not too bothered by it as she went to sleep.

Following which, just as Mu Zhi got up, preparing to go to the scene of the crash to examine the photographer's angle, Lu Jinye called.

Mu Zhi picked up the call, confused as she asked, "What is it?"

"What was the link you sent me?"

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Lu Jinye asked in a casual tone, albeit with a scowl.

His question astonished Mu Zhi.

As a quick-witted person, it immediately clicked for Mu Zhi. Lu Jinye's question suggested that he was not the person behind the cover-up. Then, who would it be?

"Nothing, it's just a hilarious joke so I thought I'd share with you."

Lu Jinye was seemingly unconvinced with Mu Zhi's explanation. He listened with a frown and responded, "Really?"

Mu Zhi reassured him as she quickly made an excuse to hang up the call, "Honey, I have a patient to attend to, gotta go."

After listening to her words, Lu Jinye hung up the call.

However, he had immediately sent the expired link to the IT department, requesting them to look into the original contents of the link.

After briefly half an hour, while Lu Jinye was going through some work documents by his desk, the person in charge of the IT department knocked on his door. He said, "Chairman, the content has been recovered."

"What is it about?"

Lu Jinye did not bat an eye at him. He was only interested in the report.

In the end, the person in charge stammered.

To expose the scandal of the chairman and chairman's wife, a breaking story at that, was simply courting death.

The person in charge hesitated before suggesting, "Chairman, why don't you see for yourself?"

Lu Jinye lifted his head with a frown, eyeing him down, "Can't you read?"

In this instance, he only resented the fact that he could!

The person in charge did not dare utter another word. He handed the document to Lu Jinye tactfully.

Lu Jinye skimmed through the document casually. His first impression told him that it was merely a scandalous news article not worth his attention. But he quickly caught a glimpse of the photo – Mu Zhi was carried in Lu Junnian's hands as well as the Volkswagen Polo in the background. Although it was not clearly shown, Lu Jinye was certain that it belonged to Mu Zhi.

He peered at the photo and noticed that the Polo had been crashed.

While Mu Zhi was in Lu Junnian's embrace, appearing to be unconscious.

In the blink of an eye, Lu Jinye leaped to his feet. He did not spare another glance at the dude from IT as he stormed out the room.

He left in a hurry. Sweat started breaking out of the person in charge's forehead. He mopped the sweat with the back of his palm as he heaved a sigh of relief.

By the looks of it... Chairman must have been on his way to confront his wife!

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Mu Zhi had just left the hospital as she set off to the scene of the crash based on fragments of her memory.

Her car had been towed away, leaving an enormous tire mark spanning across the road.

Following the angle of the photo, she attempted to make out the location of the photographer at the time.

In the middle of her search, a pearl-white Spyker came a halt before Mu Zhi.

Following closely, Lu Junnian stepped out of the car, staring at Mu Zhi in bewilderment.

“What are you doing?”

Mu Zhi raised her head, her eyes met Lu Junnian. She did not bother engaging in small talks as she explained, “I’m looking for the angle of the paparazzi who took the photos of us.”

Upon finishing her words, she added on in case Lu Junnian was not aware of what she was referring to, “When you rescued me, we went on the news and they took photos of us, there were also things taken out of context...”

“I know.”

Mu Zhi had not managed to finish her words before getting interrupted by Lu Junnian.

“Huh, you do?”

“It was me who gave the orders to remove the gibberish. I’m worried that you’d be upset about it. I thought you’d wake up a bit later and would miss the news.”

Lu Junnian explained.

His heart-warming actions combined with his emphasis on the details were purely to make sure it felt inviting to Mu Zhi. Moreover, he ensured to bring it up on time to bring a tinge of warmth to Mu Zhi’s heart.

However, she did not display what she had felt. Instead, she switched optics, “Look at the photo, for some reason I keep feeling something’s up, why would the photographer be there coincidentally for the photo?”

Mu Zhi pointed out.

Seeing that Mu Zhi wore a stern face, seemingly trying to estimate the distance for the location of the photographer, Lu Junnian could not help but adore her.

He followed behind Mu Zhi, keeping her accompanied as she was eagerly searching for the angle.

At the same time, he replied, "Yeah, true, something's not right."

How could there not be an issue? However, it might not be what Mu Zhi imagined, that someone had been camping for them. On the contrary, there might be a scheme against them, while the photo was just a coincidence.

That was Lu Junnian's conclusion at this stage.

After the accident yesterday, he had sent his men to investigate Mu Zhi's car at the very first instance. True enough, her car had been tampered with.

And the person should have not gone far after tampering with her car. They wanted to snap a photo of the crash.

Thus, they coincidentally caught a picture of their intimate interaction.

As to why the news broke out... Lu Junnian had guessed that there was only one possibility. The scheming party was Mu Zhi's love rival.

The content of the news was focused on his interaction with Mu Zhi. It was aiming to tainting Mu Zhi's reputation and suggesting her potential affair with Lu Junnian. Thus... The love rival must not have loved him, and it was most likely someone who loved Lu Jinye.

Lu Junnian had surmised the above, but he did not reveal it to Mu Zhi.

Seeing that Mu Zhi was solemnly following her intuition and searching for clues, he thought she was adorable. This was a rare opportunity for their interaction.

He logically wouldn't spoil the moment with the information he had.

Thus, Lu Junnian strode towards Mu Zhi and said softly, "Is there anything else you have in mind? Let me know, perhaps I could be of help."

Mu Zhi could no longer bother keeping a distance with Lu Junnian. She took out the photo and pointed at it, "Look at this angle, do you think this is the right spot?"

Mu Zhi pointed behind a small tree.

“So, I think the photographer must have been standing on this spot at that time.”

While she was pointing, Lu Junnian had to close into her to check out the photo.

Alas, in an untimely fashion, Lu Jinye stepped off his car and witnessed their intimate interaction!

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Chapter 63 Are You Accusing Me of Sleeping With Lu Jinye?!

Lu Jinye threw his gaze at them and sensed a dash of resentment.

It seemed like he was overly anxious. There was no need for his concern for her crash, because... She did not lack men.

Despite having divorced and understanding that there was no love in their marriage, Lu Jinye could not ignore the dejection currently building up within him.

He pivoted around and returned to his car.

But before he managed to step into his car, he felt his shin being hugged by a small figure.

Lowering his head, he found a little girl's watery eyes staring back at him, “Mister, long time no see, I miss you.”

The eyes belonged to Mu Xiaomu.

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Lu Jinye's scrunched brows evened out instantly.

Mu Xiaomu came with Jian Xiaoning to visit Mu Zhi. When they arrived at the scene, Mu Xiaomu said she was thirsty, so Jian Xiaoning returned to the car to retrieve her water bottle. In the end! Within seconds! Mu Xiaomu had gone missing.

When Jian Xiaoning found Mu Xiaomu, the little girl was hugging Lu Jinye's leg!

She almost slumped to the ground at the sight. Out of instincts, she made a dash to Mu Xiaomu and scooped her off the ground.

“What are you doing? How many times has mom told you not to pester strange men?”

Jian Xiaoning gave Lu Jinye an awkward smile, “Sorry, the girl seems to be attracted to handsome men, she’s rather infatuated.”

However, Mu Xiaomu had never once pestered other handsome men. Lu Jinye was the first.

Lu Jinye glanced at Jian Xiaoning nonchalantly, nodded, and got into his car.

Mu Xiaomu thought about chasing after him, but she was clutched in Jian Xiaoning’s embrace.

Unfortunately...

All she could do was gazing at Lu Jinye’s taillights disappearing into the traffic, holding her resentful urge to cry.

Meanwhile, Jian Xiaoning had to switch Mu Xiaomu’s attention, “Didn’t you say you want water? Here, take a sip and we will go look for mommy.”

Jian Xiaoning felt helpless too. It was simply natural for Mu Xiaomu to be attracted to Lu Jinye. What a troublesome kid Mu Zhi had.

Mu Xiaomu received the bottle from Jian Xiaoning and took a sip.

But her eyes were fixed at the direction Lu Jinye had disappeared into.

Helplessly, Jian Xiaoning continued to coax, “Fine, we’re going to see mommy soon, let’s go find mommy, ok?”

At the mention of Mu Zhi, Mu Xiaomu’s dejected spirits quickly vanished. She clapped her hands jovially, “Yay, sure, let’s go see mama.”

Jian Xiaoning carried Mu Xiaomu in her arms, turned around, and... Found Mu Zhi not far away!

Standing next to her was... Lu Junnian.

“...”

Jian Xiaoning was left with no word. Under the circumstances, she must not bring Mu Xiaomu over.

However! She had just stopped Mu Xiaomu from seeing Lu Jinye. She felt like a conscienceless witch to stand in between Mu Xiaomu and Mu Zhi.

“Let’s go to the car and call mama to come to pick us up, alright?”

Jian Xiaoning enticed Mu Xiaomu patiently while making all efforts to block Mu Zhi from her line of sight.

Luckily, Mu Xiaomu was obedient. She followed Jian Xiaoning into the car.

Also, luckily... Mu Zhi and Lu Junnian were busy pinpointing the photo’s angle. They did not notice Jian Xiaoning and Mu Xiaomu’s presence at all.

After a vigorous search, Mu Zhi finally found the angle that matched the one from the photograph. She could not help but crouch, scanning the area in hopes to find some clues.

Suddenly, a keychain came within her line of sight.

She was on the verge on cheering jovially when her phone rang. The call was from Jian Xiaoning.

She took a glance at the screen and quickly answered, “Hello? What’s up?”

“Quickly draw Lu Junnian away, Mu Xiaomu and I are here!”

Mu Zhi held her phone by her ear as she subconsciously raised her head to scan the area.

True enough! She caught a glimpse of Jian Xiaoning’s car at the car park not far away.

Turning her eyes back to Lu Junnian, she said, “My friend’s here, I need to go home.”

“Let me see you off.”

Lu Junnian stared at Mu Zhi intending to follow behind her.

“Nah, I’m good.”

Mu Zhi instantaneously switched back to her listless front, making her a completely different person than moments ago.

Lu Junnian was puzzled, but he did not press on. He asked, “Who’s your friend? Jian Xiaoning?”

While talking, he threw his gaze in Mu Zhi’s direction curiously.

The hospital's car park was relatively empty. There were only a few cars around.

Very quickly, Lu Junnian managed to identify that one car.

"Even if it's Jian Xiaoning, there's no need to greet her."

Mu Zhi quickly cut him off and prevented him from finishing his words.

Lu Junnian stared at Mu Zhi, slightly baffled, but nodded in the end, "Fine, as long as you're happy."

After finishing what he had to say, he immediately headed towards the hospital.

Mu Zhi ascertained that Lu Junnian had gone completely out of sight before turning around and headed to Jian Xiaoning's car. She tapped on her car window. The car was promptly unlocked, and she hopped in.

In the car, Mu Xiaomu was silently munching on the potato chips Jian Xiaoning gave her.

As soon as Mu Zhi clicked the door close, Jian Xiaoning heaved a sigh, "Sigh! Life is too tough!"

"What happened?"

Mu Zhi fastened her seatbelt as she asked Jian Xiaoning.

Jian Xiaoning heaved another sigh, "Can you feel that Mu Xiaomu and Lu Jinye are naturally close to each other?"

Mu Zhi stared at Jian Xiaoning with a frown.

"Did she run into Lu Jinye again?"

That was the first thought that came to her mind.

Jian Xiaoning responded with a helpless nod along with another lamenting sigh.

While Mu Zhi wound down the car window, scanning the surrounding area cautiously.

"Enough, stop looking, I guess your Lu Jinye must have spotted your ambiguous interactions with Lu Junnian, so he left."

Mu Zhi pouted her lips, "He is not mine. We've divorced."

Despite knowing that Lu Jinye had left, Mu Zhi continued to run her gaze around the area to find Lu Jinye's figure.

It was done subconsciously.

Lu Jinye came to her... Did that mean he was aware of her accident?

Was that a display of care?

At that thought, Mu Zhi started shaking her head without realizing it.

Please, what am I thinking?

"Have you ever thought that Lu Jinye might have been Mu Xiaomu's father? And Mu Xiaomu is Lu Jinye's daughter?"

While Mu Zhi was putting all her efforts to brush off the nonsense in her mind, Jian Xiaoning suddenly uttered some garbage.

If Mu Zhi had water in her mouth, she would have sprayed it all over the car!

With her eyes at Jian Xiaoning, Mu Zhi said, "Lu Jinye's daughter? Are you accusing me of sleeping with Lu Jinye in the past?"

Jian Xiaoning was exceptionally calm. She looked at Mu Zhi with a stern face and concluded, "I think that's not impossible."

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Chapter 64 Jinye, Do You Like Children

Mu Zhi sized up Jian Xiaoning solemnly, "Tsk tsk tsk, Miss Jian Xiaoning, don't you think it's a waste that you chose to be a pediatrician?"

"Why is that? Do you feel I'm more suited to be a private investigator?"

Jian Xiaoning gave Mu Zhi a playful smile.

Mu Zhi immediately turned her face away, "Let's not go there, you're more suited to be a comedian."

"No! I'm serious. I'm not making this up!"

Jian Xiaoning took on a stern expression. She even removed her seatbelt so she could lean in closer to Mu Zhi since she had no intention of starting the car!

“Have you seen the recent viral post? I saw on the net that there’s this family who only enjoys light food except for the original poster, he ended up realizing that he was adopted, his birth parents came from Szechuan!”

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“ ... ”

Mu Zhi stared at Jian Xiaoning, dumbfounded.

Jian Xiaoning pressed on, “The post was flooded with comments saying that they found their birth parents through the same way.”

“ ... ”

Mu Zhi was even more dumbstruck.

“Mama!” At this moment, Mu Xiaomu suddenly interrupted. She looked at Mu Zhi, “Mama, the mister was here, I want to play at mister’s house!”

Following this, she continued munching on the chips obsequiously.

Jian Xiaoning felt her words finally received some sort of recognition, staring at Mu Zhi smugly.

“Don’t you think that Mu Xiaomu and Lu Jinye are drawn to each other naturally? This might have been a spontaneous reaction between a father and daughter.’

“Isn’t Xiaomu drawn to you naturally too?”

Mu Zhi rolled her eyes at Jian Xiaoning and urged, “Start the car, I’m hungry, let’s bring Xiaomu for some food.”

Jian Xiaoning fastened her seatbelt. While taking the wheels, she insisted to stay on the same topic.

“I’m not kidding, I think you should look into it, get the video surveillance footage from the hotel during that year.”

“So, what if I found it?”

Mu Zhi's tone carried indifference.

She had tried to find it before.

At the time, she was certain that she had experienced intimacy with Lu Junnian. So, she never thought of retrieving the surveillance footage.

In the end... When she found out that she was set up by Xu Changshu, followed closely by getting framed and boycotted in the medical world, she could no longer bother about the investigation.

Moreover, the absurd medical bill for delivering Mu Xiaomu gave her no breathing room at all.

She thought about looking for the man and starting a family with him, raising Mu Xiaomu together.

However, when she returned, the hotel was no longer there. It had been converted to a night club.

Thus, she might not be able to find any personnel from the hotel at all, let alone the video surveillance footage.

Jian Xiaoning had plans to pursue further, exhorting her to continue trying. However, when she turned her face to Mu Zhi, she could see the hint of exhaustion and helplessness on her face.

After hesitating briefly, she decided to relent.

Instead, she said, "I've discovered a restaurant, food is great, they serve fusion food, I guarantee you there is none other like it, it's not far from here, let's go."

Upon changing topics, Mu Zhi immediately obliged. The dejected spirits were also quickly put away.

When they arrived at the fusion restaurant, Jian Xiaoning first went to join the queue, while Mu Zhi circled to the backseat to bring Mu Xiaomu off the car.

Then, she swiftly went to the restaurant.

However, when Mu Zhi and Jian Xiaoning entered the restaurant, there were two individuals standing afar.

"Qingqing, do we go in?"

Only when the woman reminded Xiao Qingqing did she take her eyes off Mu Zhi and the rest.

Softly, she responded, "Sure."

"Okay, let's go, what were you looking at?"

Asked the woman. Xiao Qingqing shook her head, "Nah, nothing."

She did not say a word to her best friend... After entering the restaurant, she deliberately chose a table far away from Mu Zhi, but close enough to observe every inch of their movement.

After staring for a long moment, Xiao Qingqing rose to her feet and went to the washroom to give Shen Mobo a call.

When the call was picked up, Xiao Qingqing instantly changed to a gentle tone, "Mobo, are you busy?"

Shen Mobo was in the middle of a meeting. He raised his palm to beckon for everyone for a pause, then left the room, "Not really, what is it?"

"I need your help to look into someone."

"Who?"

"Who the little girl in the photo is to Mu Zhi."

Xiao Qingqing hesitated and continued, "I'll send the photo to you in a while, appreciate it, Mobo."

"Sure, you're welcome."

Shen Mobo received the photo shortly after hanging up the call. He then swiftly opened the photo, zoomed in to peer at the little girl.

Mu Zhi was feeding the girl. Through the photo, he could tell that the girl was obedient and adorable.

His intuition told him that Mu Zhi was the little girl's mother.

However, since Xiao Qingqing had requested for an investigation, Shen Mobo would see to it.

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During nightfall.

Xiao Qingqing had not received news from Shen Mobo. She checked the time and decided to put on a coat before leaving home.

She headed straight to Lu Jinye's workplace.

In this instance, the lights in Lu Jinye's office were still turned on.

Xiao Qingqing got into the elevator and headed to Lu Jinye's office's floor. Noticing the lights seeping through his office, she knocked on the door.

"Come in."

Lu Jinye invited her in without batting an eye.

Xiao Qingqing entered. She did not say a word, sitting on the couching silently.

Lu Jinye thought it was a staff member. Seeing that the person said nothing, he could not help but raised his head.

Only to realize it was her.

Xiao Qingqing realized that Lu Jinye had noticed her and quickly stood up, approaching Lu Jinye with a smile.

She intentionally circled behind Lu Jinye's back and pressed her soft, silky hands on his shoulders, hoping to help him relax.

Lu Jinye held her hands and took them away in a natural motion, "It's fine, don't worry about it."

He was avoiding body contact with Xiao Qingqing without noticing that himself.

Xiao Qingqing did not bother. She stared at Lu Jinye solemnly and put up a nonchalant front, "I've been watching a show lately, it's about fathers bringing their kids out to play, showing the series of interesting events that happen during the trips. The kids in there are gorgeous, some of them are cute, some are simply stunning, there's a genius in there too."

Lu Jinye had her eyes at Xiao Qingqing. He knew that she had not finished, allowing her to carry on.

Xiao Qingqing realized that Lu Jinye had no intention to respond. She asked, "Jinye, do you like children?"

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Chapter 65 While She... Needed To Wake Him Up

Lu Jinye suddenly lowered his eyes and glanced at Xiao Qingqing. His captivating brows lightly scrunched up.

“Why are you talking about this?”

Xiao Qingqing looked at Lu Jinye bashfully, saying, “Nothing, just curious about what you think about kids.”

Lu Jinye stared at Xiao Qingqing for a long moment. In this instance, she appeared even gentler under the contrast of the office lights.

To be frank, Xiao Qingqing was rather suitable as a wife in certain aspects.

Because she was a meek woman.

However, for some reason, Lu Jinye did not want to address her question directly. He held her hand and said, “It’s late, I haven’t had anything to eat, why don’t you join me for supper?”

Getting her hand squeezed within Lu Jinye’s palm, Xiao Qingqing nodded as she felt the warmth exuded by him.

They set off from the office.

There was a restaurant just nearby. Xiao Qingqing sat across Lu Jinye, looking at him silently. Lu Jinye was aware of her stare, but he did not raise his head.

Thus, Xiao Qingqing opened her mouth, “I remember frequently coming to this place with you in the past. I felt like the luckiest woman in the world at the time. And I still feel the same.”

“Jinye, did you know? I used to be an ambitious person. I was eager to earn a reputation to myself in the entertainment industry, but after meeting you, all I want to do is to be with you.”

Lu Jinye then tilted his head upwards and met her eyes, “I hope you can be yourself, don’t sacrifice anything for me.”

How is that considered sacrificing?

Xiao Qingqing had the urge to say those words. They were at the tip of her tongue but she hesitated and ultimately relented.

She was a sensitive person.

She could tell what Lu Jinye was trying to convey through his words.

Lu Jinye told her to be herself simply because he was unwilling to be accountable for her.

Xiao Qingqing was upset. But she was clear that she must not express it.

After accompanying him for supper, Lu Jinye wanted to head back to the office to work overtime, while she returned home.

When she arrived at home, she dialed her agent's number in frustration and said, "Arrange some advertisement for me in the coming days, especially those that require me to show some skin."

The agent had been working with Xiao Qingqing for years. He was practically Xiao Qingqing's confidant.

In the beginning, he was not sure of Xiao Qingqing's requests. He exhorted, "Honey, we don't need to work in those advertisements, remember that you're a superstar that has experience overseas. I understand you haven't been doing well lately, but you could've always gone for the proper, decent shootings."

"Nah, I want the ambiguous ones, especially producers with a fetish, those who enjoy demeaning others."

Xiao Qingqing pondered briefly. She could still feel the exasperation in her heart, "What about this, Tang Ni, is there any producer you particularly hate? Accept their job!"

"Umm..."

"I want to make Lu Jinye save me! I must seize his heart."

Tang Ni had intentions to make further discussions, but Xiao Qingqing's words instantly fell in place for him. He said, "Sure, I got it, but you need to take care of yourself."

Finishing what he said to say, he hung up the phone excitedly.

What else can be more exciting than probing a man's protective instincts?

Lu Jinye's love for her might have been temporarily masked by himself without realizing it.

While it was her job... To wake him up.

After the call, Xiao Qingqing headed to the bathroom and took a long shower. She left naked, standing before the mirror to carefully admire her figure.

It was rare to possess what body Xiao Qingqing had. She was thin, yet voluptuous, rocking a perfect body.

She was not in a hurry to get dressed. She dried her hair and started meticulously applying skin products, then wore light makeup. Despite knowing that nobody was there to admire her in the middle of the night, she insisted to emphasize on every minute detail.

Just as she finished putting on lipstick, her doorbell suddenly rang.

She was startled briefly, scurrying to the door thinking that Lu Jinye was here. Stretching out her arm, she grabbed a flimsy nightgown and put it on, covering what needed to be covered.

To her disappointment, standing outside the door was Shen Mobo.

Shen Mobo noticed the glittering lights in Xiao Qingqing's eyes instantly diminish.

But he opened his mouth to explain, "I just learned some news and I was just around the area so I didn't call, I figure I could inform you face-to-face."

"What is it?"

Xiao Qingqing turned around, paving way for Shen Mobo to enter, then sat on the single-seater sofa. Shen Mobo took his seat adjacent to her and handed her a document, beckoning her to open it.

She did so hurriedly.

Looking at the investigation results, she was in disbelief.

"Why is she not Mu Zhi's daughter?"

"You hope she is?"

Shen Mobo looked at Xiao Qingqing and patted her as a gesture of comforting, "If you hope she is her daughter, I can make it happen! It's simple."

Xiao Qingqing raised her head to see the confident smile on Shen Mobo's face, and curved her lips upward involuntarily.

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In the middle of the night, Mu Zhi hardly fell asleep when she got up, used the bathroom in a daze, and was on her way back to bed.

Jian Xiaoning had just arrived home. She saw Mu Zhi and heaved a sigh of relief.

Mu Zhi was not bothered by her. She continued walking to her bedroom.

Suddenly, Jian Xiaoning reached out to grasp her arm!

“Wait, there’s important news I must tell you.”

“Will the news affect my sleep? If it will, it shall wait till morning.”

Mu Zhi’s eyelids were fighting to close.

But Jian Xiaoning dragged her to the couch and handed her a document.

Mu Zhi skimmed through it with her groggy eyes, “Why are you showing me Mu Xiaomu’s birth details?”

“Look, who’s Mu Xiaomu’s birth mother?”

“Me!”

Mu Zhi pouted her lips, “What have the night shifts done to your brain?”

“Someone drew Mu Xiaomu’s birth details today, but luckily my houseman noticed it before the nurse handed it to the man, allowing me to switch it out beforehand, changing her mother’s name to mine.”

“But, I won’t be able to change the hospital’s copy.”

“Someone asked for Mu Xiaomu’s birth details?!”

Mu Zhi instantly gaped at Jian Xiaoning. True enough! The news she bore had tremendous effects on her sleep!

Jian Xiaoning gave her a firm nod, “I have no idea who it was, you be careful.”

Then, Jian Xiaoning got up and headed to the bathroom to wash up before returning to her bedroom to sleep.

While Mu Zhi remained in the living room, staring at the document almost for the entire night. What drowsiness she felt had wholly dissipated.

The next morning, as soon as she arrived at the hospital, Mu Zhi was greeted with a widespread rumor about her and Lu Junnian.