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Xiao Lingye was sitting in the office of the chairman of the Yan Group.

Opposite him was Yan Siming, who had a beautiful appearance and was somewhat feminine but not feminine.

Xiao Lingye was sitting on the sofa in the office. He smiled and said to Yan Siming, "Chairman Yan, thank you so much for your help. I can't thank you enough. In the future, if Chairman Yan needs any help, just let me know."

Yan Siming smiled and said, "No problem, President Xiao!"

As business people, they would side with people who could provide them with the greatest benefits. Of course, other than that, Yan Siming was willing to cooperate with Xiao Lingye because Zhao Huiqing's daughter had offended him.

At this moment, Yan Siming received a phone call. After hanging up the phone, Yan Siming said to Xiao Lingye, "The general manager of Huiqing Group is going around to find out if they have offended anyone. They suspect it is our company who is behind everything. He is already here. Do you want to meet him?"

Xiao Lingye didn't really care but he scoffed. "Sure, why not?" He wanted to see what kind of expression that selfish jerk would have when he saw him.

Chen Ran came up.

Xiao Lingye was in a soul state observing the conditions between Chen Ran and Zhao Wenman after they got married. She scoffed in her heart.

'He really deserves it! He deserves to be cuckolded more than once! He deserves to be a dog of the Zhao Family.' Xiao Lingye's resentment from her previous life disappeared.

The moment Chen Ran entered the office, he saw Yan Siming at his desk and he said directly, "Chairman Yan, I..."

Yan Siming waved his hand and said with a smile, "President Chen, come, let me introduce you to an old friend."

Chen Ran was confused. Then, he heard Yan Siming say, "This is Flourishing Apple's President Xiao. He is the company's representative in China." However, when Chen Ran saw this President Xiao, his pupils shrank and he shouted in surprise, "Xiao Lingye."

Xiao Lingye crossed his legs. His expression was cold with a faint smile. He said mockingly, "Brother Ran, long time no see."

Then, Yan Siming pretended to be surprised and asked, "Oh, so you two know each other."

Xiao Lingye glanced at the pale-faced Chen Ran and sneered, "Why wouldn't I know him? I thought he'd be my brother-in-law, but he ended up as someone else's groom."

“Chen Ran, my family has enjoyed a wonderful life for the past few years thanks to you. So, I came all the way here to thank you.”

Chen Ran’s face paled. When he saw Xiao Lingye, he was happy. Then, his heart was overwhelmed by guilt, fear, and uneasiness.

He remembered Yan Siming’s introduction and his face paled. Flourishing Apple was one of the top 50 technology companies in the world.

Even a branch company in China was more powerful than Huiqing Group. He understood everything now. The person who attacked Huiqing Group was Xiao Lingye. He had come back for revenge.

He pointed at Xiao Lingye in disbelief and asked, “It’s you, Xiao Lingye. It’s you who is behind the attacks on Huiqing Group, right?”

Xiao Lingye neither admitted nor denied it. He said with a calm expression, “Haha. About that...” Then, his expression changed, and a fierce look flashed across his eyes. The viciousness on his face was obvious.

Chen Ran saw this and was shocked. His heart suddenly felt very uneasy, and he staggered back two steps.

He was very shocked. He really did not expect Xiao Lingye to reach such a high achievement. He was just a cripple. Chen Ran didn’t think Flourishing Apple would hire a cripple to be the president of its branch company in China.

“Of course, I am behind it.” Xiao Lingye chuckled mirthlessly, “Seven years ago, you and Zhao Wenman used the Zhao Family’s power to plot against my sister. Then, you slandered my family’s name. But that is not enough. You sent people to injure my father and break my legs. Even now, I still have to limp. All those years, my family had lived in hell. Chen Ran, how do you think we should settle this score?”

When Xiao Lingye said these words, he drew closer step by step. His eyes were sharp, and his body was full of killing intent. He wanted to tear Chen Ran into pieces.

Chen Ran was so scared that his face was extremely pale.

He shook his head and denied, “No... It wasn’t me. I... I didn’t want that to happen either. It wasn’t me...”

Xiao Lingye used to admire this man. But he was now such a weak coward. Xiao Lingye’s face was full of mockery and disdain.

He felt disgusted.

His sister actually liked this man, and he actually admired him once. They were really blind then. It was because of their blindness that the Xiao Family had to live a hellish life for years.

Xiao Lingye sneered and said, “I don’t care whether you’re behind it or not. I will drag all of you into hell.

“Back then, you dumped my sister for that bitch, Zhao Wenman, right? Didn’t you frame her too? Well, now I will crush Huiqing Group, the reason why you have betrayed my sister. “You are going to end up with nothing. Chen Ran, just you wait.”

The scene changed. Xiao Lingyu found herself in Gong Tianhao’s office. His office was very spacious. It was around fifty to sixty square meters. The furnishings in the office were simple and elegant.

In the office, there were two pieces of black leather chairs and a black desk. Behind the desk was a bookcase.

A pot of green plants was placed at the door.

Li Yuanhang reported to Gong Tianhao, “Tianhao, Huiqing group will declare bankrupt in two days if they can’t raise funds.”

Gong Tianhao nodded and instructed, “Arrange for people to keep an eye on them in case they run away.”

Li Yuanhang replied, “Yes!”

Li Yuanhang thought for a moment and said, “Tianhao, shall we poach Xiao Lingye to our company?”

Xiao Lingye signed a contract with Flourishing Apple and became the president of the company’s branch in China in his senior year. He was only 25 years old. He had been the president for three years.

However, in these three years, he had tripled the company’s income in China. He became a legend. Therefore, Xiao Lingye was highly valued by the headquarters of Flourishing Apple.

Xiao Lingye was very talented. Of course, if they wanted to poach him, they would need to spend a lot of effort.

As for whether they would succeed, it was hard to tell. After all, Flourishing Apple wouldn’t let him go so easily. They hired Xiao Lingye in his senior year because they saw his talent.

Instantly, Xiao Lingye moved from the bottom to the top.

Until now, there were still myths and legends about him circulating in the Imperial University.

To Xiao Lingye, Flourishing Apple was also his great benefactor. Because of this company, he was able to take revenge for his family. Therefore, it would be hard to poach him from Flourishing Apple.

However, Xiao Lingye was indeed a great talent and would be a great addition to Imperial Palace.

Gong Tianhao thought for a moment and said, “There’s no need for now.”

It was hard to say in the future.

Gong Tianhao knew that they wouldn’t be able to convince Xiao Lingye to abandon Flourishing Apple at the moment.

Li Yuanhang nodded and then reported, “Tianhao, Zhao Huiqing and Chen Ran already have found out that Xiao Lingye is the culprit. To prevent them from finding trouble with the Xiao Family, I’ve already

sent people to protect them in secret. "Of course, Xiao Lingye would have done that too, but one couldn't be too safe."

Gong Tianhao nodded and said, "Well done." Then, he ordered, "Make the arrangements. I want to go to the grave to visit the mother and son."

Li Yuanhang nodded and said, "Okay, I'll make the arrangements now."

Ever since he found out about the existence of Xiao Lingyu and her son, Li Yuanhang could feel that Gong Tianhao was afraid to visit them. It was because of guilt and self-blame.

If Gong Tianhao had found them earlier, he could have protected them.

After Li Yuanhang left, Xiao Lingyu walked up to the office table. She looked at Gong Tianhao with a serious and grateful expression. She reached out and touched Gong Tianhao's slightly haggard face.

She was touched that Gong Tianhao had done so much for her and Xiao Tong even though he had not even met them.

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"Yu 'Er, wake up!"

Xiao Lingyu heard someone calling her and opened her eyes. What she saw was a worried Gong Tianhao.

Xiao Lingyu touched him. When she touched him, she felt his warm skin.

This was... a real person!

Xiao Lingyu found it unbelievable.

Gong Tianhao saw Xiao Lingyu reach out to touch his face the moment she opened her eyes. He was supposed to be excited and happy. However, he realized that Xiao Lingyu did not seem to be in her best condition.

Gong Tianhao held her hand and called out in confusion and worry, "Yu 'Er, what's wrong?"

Xiao Lingyu was stunned. She asked in confusion, "What do you mean?"

Gong Tianhao looked at her. Despite his worry, he found the whole thing quite funny. He said, "Why are you asking me? You were crying and laughing while in the middle of a nap. You scared us to death."

"Huh? Was I napping?" Xiao Lingyu was confused. She thought of something and asked again, "How long was I asleep?" Gong Tianhao looked at his watch and said seriously, "You took a long nap today. It was more than three hours."

"Huh?" Xiao Lingyu widened her eyes and blinked her eyes. She looked adorable.

This made Gong Tianhao's eyes darken, and Adam's apple moved. With his great restraint, he controlled himself. He lowered his head to kiss her on the forehead. Then, he said in a low and hoarse voice, "You've slept for more than three hours, from one to four-thirty."

This was not really that big of a deal. However, during these three hours, Xiao Lingyu screamed and cried.

Mother Xiao was the first to realize that something was wrong. She tried to wake her up, but Xiao Lingyu didn't respond. She was extremely worried and immediately sent someone to the Gong Family to call Gong Tianhao over. Gong Tianhao couldn't wake Xiao Lingyu up either.

Mother Xiao was extremely anxious. However, Grandmother Xiao was there. She was calm as she said, "Yu 'Er probably is in the clutches of a nightmare. All we can do is wait for her to wake up on her own. We shouldn't disturb her anymore."

"But mom, how long is she going to be like this?" Mother Xiao asked worriedly.

Grandma Xiao shook her head and said, "That will depend on how long Yu 'Er will be in the nightmare." Then, she looked at Mother Xiao and comforted her, "Qiuying, don't worry. Everything will be fine. When Yu 'Er wants to wake up, she will. Right now, we just need someone to guard her well."

Mother Xiao nodded and said, "Alright." She had heard about such things from her elders before. However, she didn't think it would happen to Yu 'Er. But thinking about the other things that had happened to her daughter, it was not that surprising anymore. There were the farming space and magical spring water, so what was a little nightmare?

Mother Xiao and the others went out to work. Of course, they were still worried. They left Gong Tianhao to take care of Yu 'Er.

When Gong Tianhao saw Xiao Lingyu come back to her senses, he asked softly, "Yu 'Er, what did you see in your dream? You cried and screamed. You scared me to death."

Xiao Lingyu sat up and stared at Gong Tianhao with a serious expression.

After pondering for a moment, Xiao Lingyu said, "Tianhao, would you believe me if I said that I had dreamed of my past life?"

No one would believe that. After all, this was the era of science. Things like past lives didn't exist.

But Gong Tianhao believed her. He said seriously, "Yes, I believe you." Then, he added, "I believe every word you say."

Xiao Lingyu's pupils shrank. Then, she took a deep breath and asked Gong Tianhao seriously, "Tianhao, can I trust you 100 percent?"

Gong Tianhao suddenly frowned. Then, he said with a serious and serious expression, "Yu 'Er, you can believe me 100 percent. I will never hurt you. If you don't believe me, I can swear that if I break my oath, I will be struck by..." Xiao Lingyu covered his mouth. She didn't want him to curse himself. Xiao Lingyu said seriously, "Tianhao, I believe in you." Then, she said, "Tianhao, close your eyes first."

Gong Tianhao didn't know what Xiao Lingyu was going to do, but he obliged.

As soon as he closed his eyes, he heard Xiao Lingyu say, "Tianhao, you can open your eyes now."

However, when Gong Tianhao opened his eyes, even someone as calm as him was stunned.

His pupils constricted, and his expression was stunned. They were supposed to be in Xiao Lingyu's room, but they were clearly not there anymore. Was this some kind of magic trick?

Gong Tianhao looked around with his sharp eyes.

There was no sun in the sky, but it was as bright as day.

There were all kinds of vegetables and fruits planted on the land, but they were growing better than the ones he had on the Xiao family's land. They were green and cute.

There were tomatoes, eggplants, cucumbers, and other vegetables.

On another plot, there were grapes, pears, apples, strawberries, and all kinds of fruits that could not be planted in the south. There was also a river that surrounded the farmland. The river was even emitting a wisp of white smoke.

It felt like a dream. Even Gong Tianhao, who had seen many things, was dumbfounded, "Yu 'Er, where are we?" He didn't think they were still in Taoyuan Village. This whole place felt special.

Xiao Lingyu said seriously, "Tianhao, we're in my farming space inside my jade pendant." Gong Tianhao was a little confused. "Jade pendant? Farming space? The jade pendant on your neck?"

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He found it unbelievable. He had always believed in science since he was young, but this couldn't be explained by science. This had completely overturned his understanding.

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "Tianhao, I really did live a past time, and I was in the dream experiencing it earlier."

Gong Tianhao's pupils contracted violently again. He had a feeling Xiao Lingyu was going to shock him again.

He was a little afraid, but at the same time, he was also looking forward to it. He anticipated knowing more about Xiao Lingyu, but he was also afraid that her past life didn't involve him at all.

Gong Tianhao held Xiao Lingyu's hands tightly, feeling nervous and expectant.

Xiao Lingyu said, "You might not believe this. Well, I don't believe it myself, but I've been reborn. But at the same time, I'm thankful for the rebirth.

"Because of that, I have the chance to correct my mistakes and ensure that the tragedies in my past life didn't happen. I wouldn't wrong the same people anymore.

"I would make up for my mistakes and compensate the people I've wronged the most."

As she said this, Xiao Lingyu couldn't help but look in the direction of her stomach.

Gong Tianhao noticed this, and he understood it instantly. The person Xiao Lingyu owed the most in her past life was their child.

Gong Tianhao was confused, but he suppressed his confusion and listened quietly to Xiao Lingyu. Even though he found it unbelievable, the fact that Xiao Lingyu could put forth all these things meant that

they were probably true. Gong Tianhao held Xiao Lingyu's hand and said with great difficulty, "Yu 'Er, what exactly happened in your past life to make you so sad and miserable?"

"What did you do to make you feel like you've owed our son the most?"

There were some answers that Gong Tianhao did not want to hear. However, he desperately wanted to know everything.

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The debt of your past life would be paid back in this life!

Xiao Lingyu didn't believe that in the past, but after all she had been through, how could she not?

In her past life, due to her stubbornness, confusion, and ignorance, she had harmed too many people. She owed too many people.

Her awakening came at a very heavy price. But the heavy sorrow was self-inflicted. Xiao Tong died of illness, and there was nothing she could do. Xiao Lingyu died with heavy guilt.

However, she didn't expect the wheel of fate to turn. She was returned to the point of origin where her life started to stray. She returned to the right path.

Everything she did wrong in her past life was wiped away. However, she would never forgive those who had bullied, humiliated, and scolded her and her family. She could start again because of her rebirth.

Xiao Lingyu and Gong Tianhao sat on a white rock by the river, leaning against each other.

Xiao Lingyu leaned on his broad, strong, and safe shoulders, looking straight ahead.

She said, "I got together with my boyfriend when I was only 15, despite my family's objections. Then, we went to high school and university together. After we graduated from university, we entered the same company. Just like that, ten years passed in the blink of an eye. We were in love for ten years too.

"Ten years is very long for any couple, but we didn't feel it. Every day was very sweet. Eventually, we decided to form a family. We planned to get married.

"But we wanted to stay in the big city. We need a home because then we would be more like a family. Therefore, we agreed that we'd get married after we got a house."

Gong Tianhao listened to his lover tell the story of her love for another man. The story sounded so romantic. Even though he knew the story didn't end well, he was still very jealous.

"However, God has another plan for us. The cruelty of man is worse than the cruelty of God. I never thought the lover who was so affectionate and sweet to me would one day betray our relationship for the sake of money.

"If he just broke up with me, I wouldn't have held such a grudge. To save his reputation, he and his new girlfriend came up with the idea to drug me."

Xiao Lingyu was very calm when she said this. It was like she was telling another person's story.

“Even when I was drugged, I was still alert. I tried to escape. But I accidentally charged into a random room. I spent a night there with a man... The next day, when I woke up and saw the unfamiliar room, I was so scared. I put on my clothes and ran.”

When Xiao Lingyu talked about being with another man, she raised her eyes and met Gong Tianhao’s eyes.

Gong Tianhao knew that the man she was talking about was him.

He recalled the first time he met Xiao Lingyu. The next day, Li Yuanhang received a call from the front desk, saying that the woman in his room had used his identity to obtain the surveillance video of the hotel. That was completely different from the story Yu ‘Er was telling him now.

Gong Tianhao immediately realized she was telling him about her previous life. However, how could the same person’s life stories be so different?

Gong Tianhao had deep doubts, but he knew that it was not the time to ask.

“Then I received a call urging me to go to work. At this moment, I was confused and scared. I was afraid of being found out that I had slept with a strange man. But I also wanted to find my boyfriend to comfort me. He was the only one I could rely on at the time.

“Suddenly, I received a call from him. He roared at me, calling me horrible names. He questioned me about my betrayal.”

Gong Tianhao’s face darkened as he cursed, “He’s trying to backstab you.”

“That’s right.” Xiao Lingyu nodded. “But I didn’t get it at the time. He said the whole company was spreading rumors about this strange man and me.

“I couldn’t tell what was happening. However, my heart exploded when I heard this had spread at the company. I immediately rushed to the company.

“What awaited me was the endless insults from everyone. The whole company had a picture of me being together with an old man at a hotel. The old man was a known womanizer.

“So, I was berated and broken up on the spot. Then my boss fired me too. I fell directly into hell in a short period of time. No one was there to comfort me or clear my name. Even my most trusted boyfriend didn’t want to believe me.

“I stood there alone, being criticized, despised, and scolded. People even threw things at me. I felt so helpless. Simultaneously, I felt guilty too. I was at a loss. I didn’t know what to do.

“I lost my boyfriend, my job, and all my friends. Overnight, my reputation was ruined. Everything was gone. The landlord threw my luggage out and chased me away. The entire industry was laughing at me. I have nowhere to go in City Z.

“I could only go home dejectedly. I was lonely and lost, in pain and despair. It was a feeling worse than death.

“But it was not peace that waited for me at home. The moment I entered the house, the Chen family came. As soon as they came to my house, they scolded me for being a philanderer, a cheater, and so on.

“My family suffered because of me. Then, the Chen Family demanded compensation for the loss of reputation, spiritual damage, and various other expenses. They wanted endless money.

“I was in a daze. Despair haunted me. I was trapped in my own world. I thought about suicide every day. I didn’t notice that my family, all my relatives, had been forced by the Chen family to the point that they were on the verge of a breakdown too.

“Eventually, I managed to commit suicide. My family managed to save me in time. I was sent to the hospital, and it was then that I discovered I was pregnant.

“I was already in despair from having betrayed my boyfriend. This bastard child only added to my despair. I was completely devastated.”

At this point, Xiao Lingyu subconsciously touched her stomach. Gong Tianhao’s gaze landed on her stomach.

Only then did Gong Tianhao understand why Xiao Lingyu was so nervous about their child. Why she always looked at her stomach with guilt.

Tears began to form at the corners of Xiao Lingyu’s eyes.

Gong Tianhao wiped away her tears and caressed her stomach with his big hand.

Even though he was guessing ahead, he could tell that Xiao Lingyu didn’t like this child in her past life.

Xiao Lingyu continued, “After I found out about this child’s existence, my first reaction was to abort it. I didn’t want to keep him. His existence will be a constant reminder of my betrayal of my boyfriend.

“However, because of my poor physical condition, the doctor said that this child couldn’t be aborted. It would put my life in danger. Both of us might die. “Therefore, even if I wanted an abortion, I couldn’t. My parents kept a strict watch over me, and the child was very strong. When no one was looking, I tried many methods like jumping ropes, lifting heavy objects, running, and so on, but the child held on tightly.

“The news of my pregnancy was quickly spread. The Chen family came over and made a big fuss again, shouting that they wanted compensation of 100,000. They smashed everything in the house. My father and my brother tried to stop them. My father was kicked in the lungs. My brother’s leg was broken.

“They didn’t get medical attention in time. Plus, we were poor because of what I did. From then on, my father would cough up blood daily and my brother became a cripple. Even though he didn’t need a crutch, he would limp.”

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“However, I was still caught in my own world. I didn’t notice my father and little brother’s injuries. I also didn’t notice my grandparents and other relatives had been going around to beg people for money to cure my father and brother.

“However, not many people wanted to borrow my family money considering the situation we were in. Just like that, my father and brother’s injuries were left untreated.

“My grandparents managed to beg their old friends and collected some money. They came back in person to Taoyuan Village.

“When they saw me, they were furious. I was the reason why the family was in shambles. They scolded me for being so heartless, selfish, and dumb. For a man, I had made my parents suffer, and my little brother lost his leg.

“Then, my grandfather said something that awakened me. He said sharply, ‘How can you be sure that it was you who betrayed this relationship and not the other way round? I have gone to the Chen Family Village to ask around. The Chen Family has been going around bragging that their son has married the daughter of a large company. Now, he sends back 20,000 every month. Xiao Lingyu, you and that kid had been together for ten years already. Why would he instantly believe others and not you about the betrayal? Also, how could he get married so soon after? There is something fishy about this. You are normally so smart. How can you be so dumb this time?’

“When I heard that Chen Ran had married the boss’ daughter, my heart jolted. My grandfather’s words were like a blow to my head, and they instantly woke me up.

“I suddenly remembered stuff. When I was still in the company, I had already heard rumors about Chen Ran and Zhao Wenman. However, I was confident in our relationship, and I trusted Chen Ran, so I didn’t believe the rumors. I once tried to ask him about it jokingly, but he swore to me that it was all just a rumor.

“Finally, I realized he was full of lies. The signs were all there. There was the perfume of another woman on his clothes and lipstick on his neck. He would also leave the room to talk on his phone.

“This proved that Chen Ran, my boyfriend of ten years, had betrayed me.

“Other than that, in less than ten days after I left City Z, Chen Ran and Zhao Wenman announced their wedding. Chen Ran must have been cheating on me when we were still together. The woman was the boss’ daughter. She was powerful and rich. He would get many things from marrying her.

“I also realized it was them who was behind the series of incidents that caused me to lose anything. For what purpose? It couldn’t have been clearer.”

Anger appeared on Gong Tianhao’s cold face. He said angrily, “This scumbag actually hurt you so much. I want to tear him into pieces!”

How could he do such a thing to his former lover just to save some hard work? If he wanted a brighter future, he could just break up with Xiao Lingyu. Why the need to harm the lover of ten years? Why hurt her and her family? Why bully them to such an extent?

This bastard was not even a man. He was a scum among men.

When Gong Tianhao thought about how Xiao Lingyu had been bullied, he could not help but feel angry. He said, “Yu ‘Er, I will definitely take revenge for you.”

‘Huiqing Group? They will be wiped off the face of this world!’

Xiao Lingyu looked at Gong Tianhao, and she smiled. Then, she shook her head and said, "There's no need. After my rebirth, I had already taken revenge on them. Chen Ran is now invalid. Zhao Huiqing and Zhao Wenman are currently in jail for attempted murder. As for Huiqing Group, it has already been acquired by Yan Siming. Speaking of which, I still owe Yan Siming a few big favors." Gong Tianhao was silent for a moment before he asked, "Rebirth? What do you mean?"

Was it really as he understood it? A rebirth like the ones in the television drama? However, this had really happened to his Yu 'Er.

Xiao Lingyu was silent for a moment before she said, "I died in my previous life and was reborn with my memory. I returned to the night we had sex in City Z."

Gong Tianhao's breathing stopped. He felt incredulous and shocked.

"That was when the tragedy in my previous life started. However, after my rebirth, I won't let them have their ways. I wanted to turn the tides," Xiao Lingyu said. "So, from the moment I woke up, I planned to take revenge on them. They want me to lose my reputation, so I'd let them lose their reputation first."

Xiao Lingyu's eyes flashed with a ruthless light as she said fiercely, "However, I still have to thank Yan Siming for his help. If it weren't for his help, no matter how capable I am, I wouldn't be able to defeat Zhao Huiqing and the others in a short period of time."

When Gong Tianhao heard Yan Siming's name again, he furrowed his brows tightly, and his heart felt sour and bitter.

He said unwillingly, "Yu 'Er, actually, I can help you take revenge too. Huiqing Group is nothing for me." When Xiao Lingyu heard his jealous words, she rolled her eyes helplessly and said, "But at that time, I didn't even know you."

Gong Tianhao's expression suddenly turned stiff. He said with some grievance, "We clearly had..." They had slept with each other, so how could they not know each other?

Before he could finish his sentence, Xiao Lingyu continued, "Yes, we did sleep together, but the next day, I couldn't even find you. Plus, I didn't even know your identity at the time."

Gong Tianhao suddenly thought of something and asked, "Yu 'Er, since you didn't know who I was, how did you recognize me as the man that night later?" He had never thought about that question, but now he was intrigued.

Xiao Lingyu said, "It's your voice."

Gong Tianhao was very surprised. He raised his eyebrows and said, "My voice?!"

He was surprised that Yu 'Er could recognize him just through his voice. Then again, every person's voice was unique. One could remember the voice without seeing the face.

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "I am very sensitive to voices. I won't forget any voice that I have heard. When Li Yuanhang bumped into me, and when you spoke, I recognized you immediately."

Gong Tianhao thought back to that day. He smiled and asked, "Is that why you deliberately walked over that day? Was it to see my face?"

Xiao Lingyu nodded seriously and said, "Yes. Because I want to know what Xiao Tong's father looks like."

"Xiao Tong?" Gong Tianhao grasped the crux of the matter and said emotionally, "Are you talking about our child? Is he a boy or a girl?" Gong Tianhao carefully caressed Xiao Lingyu's belly.

Xiao Lingyu also caressed her belly and said honestly, "Xiao Tong is a boy. He's very obedient and sensible."

Gong Tianhao was slightly disappointed when he heard that it was a boy. He had always hoped that it would be a girl so that he could always dote on her. As for boys, he had to be strict.

Gong Tianhao remembered Xiao Lingyu say that she owed the child. He asked, "Yu 'Er, in the past, how did you and Xiao Tong..." get along?"

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Gong Tianhao asked, "Yu 'Er, how did you get along with the child?"

At the mention of the child, Xiao Lingyu's tears immediately fell, and her face was filled with guilt.

She said, "I didn't."

When Gong Tianhao heard this, his eyes suddenly widened in disbelief. "How can this be?" He was puzzled.

Xiao Lingyu said, "From the beginning, I hated this child. He reminded me of the betrayal. Even after grandpa enlightened me, I still disliked him. Plus, at the time, I just wanted to return City Z to investigate the situation and prepare for revenge.

"So, after he was born, I didn't even look at him. I had a natural birth, so I recovered quickly. The moment I could leave my bed, I departed for City Z. I didn't even stop to hug him."

Gong Tianhao suddenly felt sorry for his son. However, he would not blame Xiao Lingyu because this was not her fault.

Back then, she accidentally entered his room and did not know his identity. In other words, she was pregnant with a bastard child. Plus, the child represented her pain of betrayal. Xiao Lingyu continued crying, "After I left home overnight and returned to City Z, I started my investigation. I confirmed that the scumbag and Zhao Wenman had hooked up a long time ago. They framed me to save their reputation. My life was hell, but they married happily. "However, I also knew I was too powerless to do anything to them. They were too strong. So, I continued to endure. I have to become stronger and then take revenge.

"I started to look for a job. I applied for jobs at middle-sized companies, but when the companies got my resume, some of them had already heard of my name. They didn't dare to hire me. In fact, some of them reported to Zhao Wenman about my return. They made my life worse.

“I tried the bigger companies, but my resume was not good enough. “When I left home, I didn’t bring much money with me. I didn’t have any money left, so I needed to find a job to sustain my livelihood. Out of desperation, I went to work as a janitor at a big company.”

Gong Tianhao was angry when he heard how Yu ‘Er was forced to work as a cleaner by those bastards. He thought to himself, ‘They might be in prison, but that’s still too good for them. They have to pay for what they did.’

Therefore, Zhao Wenman and her father swapped to another prison. They lived a life worse than death. Of course, Xiao Lingyu didn’t know that. When she found out, it was already much later.

“Hard work pays off,” Xiao Lingyu continued, “When the general manager of that Big Company was discussing a big business deal with a foreigner, the translator couldn’t come because he had something to do, so I volunteered to be their translator. My translation skills and negotiation skills were appreciated by the general manager.

“After the business deal was settled, he immediately transferred me from the cleaning staff to the Foreign Business Department.”

Thinking of the hardships during that period, Xiao Lingyu felt sad and grateful. During that period, she had seen all kinds of people. She was young and pretty. Even if she always hid behind a pair of large glasses, the men still took advantage of her. Fortunately, every time, she tactfully avoided them.

When she spoke fluent English, it shocked everyone. How could the HR department arrange for a university student to clean toilets?

When she moved to the Foreign Business Department, many people were surprised. Some of them mocked her.

However, she didn’t care. In this department, she flourished, and her talents were put to good use. She stood out among the employees. Due to her talent and skill, she managed to complete all the difficult tasks assigned to her.

In just a few months, her performance improved steadily. The general manager of the company valued her even more.

Xiao Lingyu said with a smile, “Within three years, I had made many wonderful results. Many companies offered me high prices to poach me away.

“However, the general manager saved my life, so I couldn’t betray him. Plus, I knew the company had a great future. Why would I leave?”

Gong Tianhao nodded.

He had always known that Xiao Lingyu was different from the others. The reason was that she had trained for years in the business world.

“I worked hard in the workplace for four years. I moved from a cleaner to an employee, then a team leader, a supervisor, the department leader, and finally the company’s Deputy General Manager.”

Gong Tianhao was very surprised at Xiao Lingyu’s ability.

In four years, she had risen from an unremarkable cleaner to the position of deputy general manager. This required a very outstanding ability. For a normal person, they would only become a team leader after working for ten years. He believed that if Xiao Lingyu wanted to return to the business world now, the companies would fight over her. "Just as I was filled with ambition and was about to start my revenge, I received a call from my family. They said that Xiao Tong was sick with a very serious illness. The doctor said that there was no way to treat him.

"Xiao Tong's last wish was to see his mother one last time. He wanted me to give him a hug..." Every time she thought of this, Xiao Lingyu would break down and cry. She failed Xiao Tong and caused him to die with regret. But this was her regret too.

In the end, it was her heavy guilt that crushed her.

When Gong Tianhao heard this, his pupils constricted, and his eyes turned red.

So that was how everything was!

Hence, after Yu 'Er's rebirth, she had been worried about the child. She had been looking forward to the birth of this child with a heart filled with guilt and regret.

Therefore, even before he appeared, when the child was still a bastard child and when everyone persuaded her to abort the child, she was determined to keep him. She was carrying a lot of guilt from her previous life.

Gong Tianhao did not say anything. He only held her hand tightly and comforted her.

Xiao Lingyu continued, "When I received the call, it was as if the sky had collapsed. My entire body was spinning, and I was in a daze. I immediately rushed to the hospital. However, when I reached the hospital, Xiao Tong was already covered under a white cloth.

"I knelt before his bed and cried.

"My mother came and slapped me on the face. She said I didn't deserve to be a mother.

"I didn't even want to look at Xiao Tong after he was born.

"Where was I when Xiao Tong was teething, learning to walk and speak?

"Xiao Tong had been born weak. He needed to go to the hospital often. When he cried out in pain, where was I?

"I couldn't even give Xiao Tong a hug, something that he wanted desperately.

"Therefore, I am not worthy of being a mother.

"I am not a good mother!"

Gong Tianhao sighed and wiped her tears with his hands. Then, he hugged Xiao Lingyu. He rested his chin on her head and said softly, "Yu 'Er, this is not your fault. You were caught up in your own despair." Xiao Lingyu was still crying. She shook her head and said, "No, I shouldn't have blamed Xiao Tong at all. He didn't choose to come to me. However, I hated him from the start. I blamed him for everything. In the end, I failed him too. I am to be blamed. I don't deserve to be this mother."

Gong Tianhao hugged her and comforted her. "No, it's not your fault. You are also a victim. Really, I don't think Xiao Tong will blame you."

Chapter 456 Quarreling and Questioning

Jiang Tao rushed back to the Jiang family in the capital city. The first thing he did was to look for his grandfather.

He asked angrily, "Why?"

Old Master Jiang was very displeased with his grandson's disrespectful attitude towards him.

He frowned and placed the teacup in his hand heavily on the table. He asked sternly, "Bastard, what kind of attitude is this?"

Jiang Tao sneered and asked in a self-deprecating manner, "Grandfather, what kind of attitude do you think I should have? You almost killed my friend's wife because you think Gong Tianhao's wife is the woman I like.

"If Tianhao didn't have the ability to protect her, she would probably have been thrown into the river to feed the fish already, right? Grandfather, don't you think you should give me an explanation?"

When he said this, Old Master Jiang's expression turned extremely ugly and gloomy.

He said coldly, "Explanation? What kind of explanation do you want me to give you? That's right, I got the wrong information and almost killed her.

"But, I didn't succeed. Isn't that woman still alive? On the contrary, our family has lost two assassins. Jiang Tao, you should know what that means. Shouldn't Gong Tianhao give our family an explanation instead?"

Jiang Tao was angered by his grandfather's shameless words and laughed.

He laughed coldly and said, "Grandfather, you sent people to kill his wife. He retaliated and gave you a small warning. Do you actually think he owes you an explanation? Grandpa, how can you be so shameless?"

"Bastard, how can you talk to me like that?" Old Master Jiang shouted sternly. He gave Jiang Tao a heavy slap.

"Bastard, who gave you the courage to talk to me like that?" Old Master Jiang said very sternly, "Jiang Tao, do you think you're much better than me now? How dare you talk back to me?"

Jiang Tao did not avoid his grandfather's slap. His sharp eyes looked at Old Master Jiang very seriously as he said very firmly, "Grandfather, I'm only focusing on the morality of the incident and not the people behind it!"

Old Master Jiang was so angry. He pointed angrily at Jiang Tao and scolded, "Bastard, are you crazy? You actually have the guts to question me!"

He paused at this point and shot a sharp gaze at Jiang Tao's face. A sneer appeared on his cold face, "Let me tell you, Jiang Tao. I have never had the reason to explain myself to anyone before. But, you want to reason with me, right?" He nodded and said, "Fine, I'll reason with you. Butler, go to the study and bring me the knife. Today, I'll have a good chat with the eldest young master."

When Butler Jiang heard this, his expression immediately changed. This meant that the old master was really angry.

He immediately ran to Jiang Tao and persuaded him, "Eldest young master, you need to apologize to the old master. If the old master really employs the family law..."

Jiang Tao pursed his lips tightly, and his gaze was fixed on the old master's eyes. He was stubborn.

He completely ignored Butler Jiang's persuasion. Butler Jiang could only shake his head helplessly.

The eldest young master had only been subjected to the family law once since he was born. That one time almost took his life. He didn't expect this would happen away. He knew that the old master was actually soft-hearted towards the young master despite his appearance. As long as the eldest young master apologized and admitted his mistake, the old master would give him a way out.

However, the eldest young master was so stubborn. Butler Jiang explained earnestly, "Eldest young master, we didn't know that girl is Young Master Gong's wife. Someone has purposely misled the old master..."

Jiang Tao said sharply, "So if there was no misinformation, grandfather would really kill her simply because I like her?"

Butler Jiang, "... How am I supposed to answer that? Young Master is right, but I can't say it out loud.

Butler Jiang smiled bitterly and persuaded him, "Young master, the old master is doing this for your own good!"

"For my own good?!" Jiang Tao said with disdain. "So the murder is going to be committed for my own good?" "Bastard, what nonsense is that?!" Old Master Jiang was furious. He turned to Butler Jiang, "Don't waste your breath on him. Quickly take out the big knife in my study."

Old Master Jiang had done everything for Jiang Tao. However, his grandson didn't appreciate his kindness at all. He was really furious.

Butler Jiang felt helpless. He sighed quietly. "Both grandfather and grandson are stubborn."

He turned to the study and took out the broadsword that had followed Old Master Jiang to the battlefield and killed countless enemies.

However, he moved very slowly. He knew that the old master did not really want to enforce the family law against the eldest young master. After Butler Jiang left, Jiang Tao stood there stubbornly and firmly. The old man sat in his seat with a stern and gloomy expression. He didn't expect his usually obedient grandson would go against him because of this matter. He suspected Gong Tianhao had whispered some inciting words in Jiang Tao's ears.

Jiang Tao pursed his lips tightly, and his face was very cold. Then, he suddenly asked, "Who gave you the wrong information?"

He knew that this person was a danger to Xiao Lingyu. Gong Tianhao had launched his investigation. Jiang Tao had to follow up too.

Old Master Jiang said unhappily, "Other than your fiancée, who else could it be?" Old Master Jiang naturally blamed Qin Yan for making him lose two of his family assassins.

"Qin Yan?" Jiang Tao furrowed his brows tightly and was a little surprised.

"Who else could it be?" Old Master Jiang said very angrily, "This young lady is so shrewd and scheming at such a young age.

"She somehow got a photo of Gong Tianhao and his wife. But she swapped Gong Tianhao's face for yours and showed it to me!" Old Master Jiang sounded aggrieved.

Jiang Tao was surprised. 'So that is what happened. The person who wanted to kill Xiao Lingyu is Qin Yan.' Jiang Tao still found it hard to believe. In his impression, Qin Yan had always been obedient and kind. She wasn't even willing to hurt an ant, so how could she have such a scheme to kill someone else?

Jiang Tao asked sharply, "Then why did she do it?"

Old Master Jiang was furious at this question. It suggested that Jiang Tao didn't believe him. He pointed at Jiang Tao and questioned loudly, "Don't you believe me? Are you suspecting me of framing your fiance?"

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Jiang Tao pursed his lips and didn't answer. Old Master Jiang was really infuriated. He said, "Good, the eldest daughter of the Qin family really has some tricks up her sleeves. "While she strings you along, she is thinking about that brat, Gong Tianhao. She actually wanted to use my hands to get rid of her love rival."

Jiang Tao immediately understood everything.

Qin Yan liked Gong Tianhao.

She somehow found the photo of Gong Tianhao and Xiao Lingyu together. She changed the male lead of the photo from Gong Tianhao to Jiang Tao. That was to make his grandfather believe that Jiang Tao was with Xiao Lingyu. With his grandfather's personality, he would definitely go after Xiao Lingyu.

After thinking this through, Jiang Tao said with certainty, "So, all of this was done by Qin Yan?"

Old Master Jiang glared at him and said loudly, "What do you think? Hmph!"

At this moment, Butler Jiang took out the big knife. He walked up to Old Master Jiang and said, "Master."

Old Master Jiang glared at the butler with dissatisfaction.

Butler Jiang could only smile bitterly. He was in a difficult position. He couldn't just go against his old master's order even though he knew it was just an empty threat. When Jiang Tao saw the big knife, he unbuttoned his shirt without a word and knelt down.

Obviously, he was not afraid of the family law.

Chapter 457 Past Life

Ever since he learned about Xiao Lingyu's past life, Gong Tianhao had been taking care of them even more carefully.

They had both suffered so much in their past lives.

In this life, as a husband and a father, he would never let them suffer like that again.

According to Xiao Lingyu, she had suffered physically and mentally in her past life, causing her child to be very weak and sickly when he was born. As a result, he died when he was five years old.

Xiao Lingyu said that Xiao Tong looked like him and was a very cute little boy. In his previous life, Xiao Tong didn't get to enjoy the love of his parents. But in this life, it was different.

In this life, his mother began to pay attention to nutrition from the moment he appeared. She maintained a good mood and paid attention to him all the time.

In this life, his father appeared. His father loved his mother and would love him too.

In this life, he would definitely lead a happy life and grow up safely.

Gong Tianhao took the opportunity when Xiao Lingyu was asleep to caress Xiao Lingyu's stomach gently. He said softly, "Xiao Tong, if you are like your mother and remember what happened in your past life, please don't blame your mother, okay?"

"She has suffered too much and was deceived by other people. That was why she ignored you. But she loves you very much. However, she didn't know how to express it. She also didn't know how to face you.

"When she received the news of your death, her world collapsed, and she died from grief. Xiao Tong, your mom really loves you a lot.

"Because of what happened in her previous life, she is so concerned about you in this life. She wants to create the best living conditions for you.

"Xiao Tong, you have to love mommy too. Then, you have to protect her."

At this moment, Xiao Lingyu's voice sounded. She asked nervously, "Tianhao, do you think Xiao Tong will be the previous Xiao Tong?" She meant would Xiao Tong had been reborn too.

Gong Tianhao smiled and asked, "Yu 'Er, why do you ask?"

Xiao Lingyu said, "Because I want him to be. But I'm also afraid."

Gong Tianhao leaned against the bed and touched her forehead. He smiled and said, "Yu 'Er, no matter what, he is still our son, Xiao Tong, isn't he?"

Xiao Lingyu was stunned for a moment before she laughed out loud. She nodded and said, "You are right. No matter who he is, he is still Xiao Tong. He is my son."

"He is also my son." Gong Tianhao added. After saying this, he lowered his head and kissed her white forehead gently. He said, "Continue sleeping. I will watch over you."

"Okay." Xiao Lingyu nodded and closed her eyes. Ever since Xiao Lingyu told him these secrets, her heart relaxed, but she was indeed tired.

However, she couldn't fall asleep. Then, she opened her eyes and asked, "Tianhao, do you know what I dreamed of earlier today? And why did I suddenly decide to tell you all these?"

Gong Tianhao was slightly shocked before he shook his head.

Xiao Lingyu said, "I dreamed that I had returned to my previous life. Technically, it was the timeline that continued after my death."

Xiao Lingyu wanted to know what happened, so she dreamed of it. Grandmother Xiao said Xiao Lingyu had been captured by a nightmare.

Gong Tianhao listened to Xiao Lingyu quietly.

Xiao Lingyu said, "In my previous life before I passed away, I had always wanted revenge. However, Xiao Tong's death had dealt a heavy blow to me, so I died before I had time to take revenge.

"However, that didn't mean that revenge wasn't taken. In this dream, I saw my little brother, who took revenge for me.

"On top of that, he had someone helping him too."

As she said this, she looked at Gong Tianhao.

Gong Tianhao was a little stunned. He said in disbelief, "Could... could it be me?"

Xiao Lingyu nodded and said, "That's right. What I saw in this nightmare was you and Li Yuanhang taking revenge for me."

Gong Tianhao said in surprise, "Was I avenging you? Did I find you in your previous life?" He was pleasantly surprised. He thought that he was not involved in their world in Xiao Lingyu's previous life. But that was not true.

But, wait. Revenge? Did he find out about them after they died? This didn't feel good.

Xiao Lingyu nodded, "In my dream, they found out that you have a DNA match with Xiao Tong at the hospital. Therefore, the truth came to you. But by then, Xiao Tong and I were both gone already. So, you tried to take revenge for

us.

"However, when you did that, you also found out that my little brother was already plotting revenge. So you withdrew your plan and aided my brother from the dark. At the same time, you protected him and my family."

Gong Tianchen raised his eyebrows. "Your brother, Xiao Lingye?"

"Yes." Xiao Lingyu nodded. "When I died, he was already the President of Flourishing Apple's branch company in China."

Gong Tianhao was slightly surprised. "That is very impressive! How old was he at the time?" Gong Tianhao was slightly curious.

Flourishing Apple was the 50th largest corporation in the world.

"25 years old!" Xiao Lingyu said.

"That's so young!" Gong Tianhao looked at the two siblings in a new light. Xiao Lingyu smiled proudly and said, "Actually, he was hired by Flourishing Apple as the president when he was in his senior year."

"Huh?" Gong Tianhao was really interested in Xiao Lingye's abilities now. He thought to himself, 'Xiao Lingye is now a freshman. Shall I hire him first? Otherwise, he might be poached by Flourishing Apple again.'

Gong Tianhao trusted Xiao Lingyu implicitly.

"Tianhao, what are you thinking about?" Xiao Lingyu looked at him thinking, and asked curiously.

Gong Tianhao said honestly, "I'm thinking about hiring your brother since he's so capable. I don't want to lose him to Flourishing Apple. That will be a huge loss for me."

He wouldn't miss out on a talent like Xiao Lingye. In Xiao Lingyu's story, Xiao Lingye was saved by Flourishing Apple, so it was hard to poach him.

But, in this life, the fate of the Xiao Family had changed. Xiao Lingye didn't owe Flourishing Apple anything. Gong Tianhao could offer him a job now.

Gong Tianhao did not feel guilty at all.

Firstly, Xiao Lingye was his brother-in-law. If he could get his brother-in-law into the company, it would be beneficial to cultivate their relationship.

Secondly, Xiao Lingye was really capable.

Xiao Lingye entered the Imperial University as the top scorer of science in City Z, just like what he did in his previous life.

Of course, in his previous life, Xiao Lingye was the top scorer in the entire southern province, but in his life, he was the top scorer in City Z. There was only a 0.5 point difference between him and the province top scorer. The more Gong Tianhao thought about it, the more he felt that it was best to get his brother-in-law into the company.

Xiao Lingyu did not know what Gong Tianhao was thinking. She continued, "There was also another person who helped me take revenge in my previous life. It was Yan Siming."

"Yu 'Er, how was Yan Siming involved?" Gong Tianhao was a little dumbfounded.

Yan Siming was his rival in love.

Xiao Lingyu stopped and said seriously, "Tianhao, whether it's in my previous life or this life, I owe Yan Siming a debt of gratitude. Don't be so hostile to him in the future."

Gong Tianhao said with dissatisfaction, "But he is my rival in love. How do you want me to treat him?"

Xiao Lingyu said in amusement, "But I don't love him. I just treat him as a friend. Don't be fooled by Yan Siming's frivolous appearance. He's a person who values friendship."

At this point, Xiao Lingyu sighed softly, "If you aren't love rivals, you might become friends."

Gong Tianhao said with a dark expression, "Yu 'Er, that man and I will never be friends!"

Chapter 458 Looking for Qin Yan

After Jiang Tao was served the family law, he dragged his wounded body to the Qin Family.

The head of the Qin family, Qin Xingbao, was feeling guilty for hitting his daughter when he heard the doorbell. He immediately asked the servant in a bad mood, "Who is it?"

The servant immediately went to ask and then came over to report, "Master, it's the future Young Master!"

Qin Xingbao's eyes narrowed slightly and said with some doubt, "Didn't Jiang Tao go back to that small county? Why is he suddenly here?"

Madam Qin, who was beside him, was very happy to hear that her son-in-law had come. She said, "No matter what, it's good that he's here. He came here as soon as possible. He must be here to comfort our baby daughter."

However, Qin Xingbao was not as optimistic as her. He said, "But what if he believes the rumors on the Internet?"

Mrs. Qin immediately glared at him and said unhappily, "You said it yourself. Those are just rumors. My son-in-law definitely won't believe them.

"Our Yan 'er is beautiful, well-behaved, and kind-hearted. She's famous in the upper-class circle. Moreover, our son-in-law and Yan 'Er have known each other since they were young. They have been friends for more than ten years. How could he not know what kind of person Yan 'Er is? Do you think he'd heed the rumors on the internet?"

Qin Xingbao could not win against his wife. He said to the servant, "Go and tell the guards to let our son-in-law in."

When Jiang Tao stepped into the Qin residence, he was covered in blood and wounds. Everyone was shocked.

The servant shouted, "Ah, future young master, why are you injured so badly?"

Qin Xingbao and his wife, who were sitting in the living room waiting for their son-in-law to enter, frowned when they heard the servant's words. They looked at each other and ran out. They saw Jiang Tao covered in blood. His shirt was dyed red. It was so red that one couldn't tell the shirt's original color. The shirt was actually still dripping with blood. What happened to him?

Madam Qin was immediately shocked. She went forward and asked, "Tao 'Er, what happened to you? Did you encounter a robbery on the road? Which robber is so blind to rob Young Master Jiang?" Then, she ordered a servant, "Go and quickly call the Doctor."

As soon as Jiang Tao came in, he called out, "Uncle, Auntie!" Originally, after they were engaged, Jiang Tao called Qin Yan's parents his father and mother too. But now he had reverted to his previously distant terms of address.

Qin Xingbao frowned slightly. He was slightly displeased, but he didn't say anything. He would remind him later.

When Jiang Tao heard that Madam Qin wanted to call the doctor for him, he immediately stopped her, "Auntie, there's no need. I'm fine now."

However, Madam Qin exclaimed, "Your injury looks very serious. How can you be fine?" Then she asked, "Tao 'Er, what happened?"

Jiang Tao shook his head and said, "I'm fine, It's just some superficial injuries. When I go back later, I'll apply for some medicine." Having said that, he looked at the two of them and asked directly, "Uncle, Auntie, I'm here to look for Qin Yan. Where is she now?"

Qin Xingbao became more and more dissatisfied with Jiang Tao's words and attitude. However, he endured it and didn't say anything

When Madam Qin heard that Jiang Tao was here to look for his daughter, she was instantly delighted. She said, "Tao 'Er, Yan 'Er is in her room." At this point, she frowned and said unhappily, "Your father is really ruthless. Just for the sake of those rumors on the Internet, he berated Yan 'Er. Because of that, Yan 'Er was punished by her father. She's now lying in bed with injuries."

Jiang Tao rushed to question his grandfather after he returned to the capital. He found out everything was caused by Qin Yan. After he was served the family law, he ignored the butler's obstruction and came directly to the Qin Family. He had no idea what the internet was talking about Qin Yan. Then again, people like him never cared about things on the internet unless it was about his country.

So Jiang Tao was confused when Madam Qin brought this up. However, he asked calmly, "Auntie, I need to talk to Qin Yan alone. Do you think..."

It was not good for a man to enter a girl's bedroom alone. Technically, Jiang Tao and Qin Yan were engaged. They could be in a room together. No one would say anything. However, Jiang Tao had no feelings for Qin Yan, so he treated this as an official business. Plus, he didn't want to cause a misunderstanding by going to her bedroom.

Madam Qin frowned slightly, then said with a smile, "Tao 'Er, have you forgotten that you and Yan 'Er are already engaged? You are her fiance, so naturally, you can go to her room. Just discuss everything in her room. She is still injured, so I don't think she should be moving around anyway."

Jiang Tao shook his head and said, "No, Auntie. Look at me. I don't want to dirty her room."

This time, Qin Xingbao, who had been dissatisfied with Jiang Tao since he entered the room, immediately became a little angry.

He said loudly, "Yan 'Er is now covered in injuries and lying in bed. Don't tell me that she has to come out to see you with her injuries just because you want her to entertain you?" He was already feeling regret for beating her daughter. Now, he vented that anger on Jiang Tao.

Jiang Tao nodded helplessly and said, "Alright. I'll go to her room." Then, he asked the servant at the side, "Where is your eldest Miss's room?"

"Future young master, this way, please!" The maid received the master's signal.

Qin Xingbao and his wife looked at the injured figure who followed the maid, and they frowned. Madam Qin said with puzzlement, "Master, is there something wrong with this Jiang Tao?"

Qin Xingbao said, "Of course, there's something wrong. He and our Yan 'Er are engaged. He should have called us his father and mother.

"But you heard how he addressed us earlier. He called us his uncle and auntie. He's being very distant. Do you think this is a normal behavior of a son-in-law?"

Madam Qin said, "You're right. But he came despite his injuries to find Yan 'Er and wants to talk to her alone. Why is that?"

"Miss, the future young master is here! The servant reported.

Jiang Tao walked into Qin Yan's room. He did not pay attention to any of the furnishings in the room. He just stared at her with his sharp eyes.

Qin Yan was shocked and uneasy when she heard the servant report that Jiang Tao had come. When she left the Jiang family, Old Master Jiang's words were still ringing in her ears. Old Master Jiang said he would talk to her father about canceling the engagement. This made her very nervous.

However, nothing happened for a long time. Her father didn't mention it either.

Hence, when she heard that Jiang Tao had come, her eyes were filled with guilt and panic. Her entire heart was on tenterhooks.

She had just raised her head when she met Jiang Tao's deep, cold, and sharp eyes. Her breathing suddenly stopped, and there were waves of chills running through her. However, she quickly gathered her thoughts and returned to her usual innocent smile. She called out weakly, "Brother Tao, you're here."

"Why did you do that?" Jiang Tao questioned her directly.

The servant in the room was very surprised and even a little dazed. Even she could tell that the future young master came here with ill intentions.

The servant cleverly left and quickly ran to Qin Xingbao and Madam Qin to report, "Master, Madam, the future young master, he..."

The two of them were stunned and asked in confusion, "What's wrong?"

The servant said, "Master, Madam, you should go and take a look. I fear that the future young master will mistreat the eldest miss."

“What?” The couple’s expression changed slightly.

Then, the two went to the third floor and went to Qin Yan’s bedroom.

Qin Yan was a little stunned and did not understand what was going on. She asked with a puzzled expression, “Brother Tao, what are you talking about?”

Jiang Tao reminded her coldly, “The photos!”

The moment the photos were mentioned, the color on Qin Yan’s face faded. Her eyes revealed guilt and panic.

She knew she couldn’t fake innocence. After all, Old Master Jiang knew about it. Since Jiang Tao was here to question her, he must have found out the truth from his grandfather.

Chapter 459 Harsh Interrogation

When Qin Xingbao and his wife came to their daughter’s room, they saw Qin Yan’s pale face and frightened expression. Then, they saw Jiang Tao with a cold expression and a gloomy face. It was obvious that he was not here to comfort their daughter.

Qin Xingbao’s face immediately darkened, and his eyes shot at Jiang Tao unkindly. He asked harshly, “Jiang Tao, what are you doing? Are you bullying my daughter?” Jiang Tao pursed his lips tightly. His sharp gaze was fixed on Qin Yan.

Jiang Tao ignored Qin Xingbao’s questioning and said coldly once more, “Photos! Qin Yan, do you need me to remind you?”

“Jiang Tao!” Qin Xingbao was furious that Jiang Tao ignored him. He even continued to interrogate his daughter. His fury raged, “Don’t think you can trample over us because you are the young master of the Jiang Family!”

When Qin Yan saw her parents, the fear in her heart immediately turned into grievances. Her tears immediately fell.

When Qin Xingbao and his wife saw this, their hearts ached terribly.

Their daughter had already been subjected to the family law because of the rumors on the Internet. Now, her fiance came to interrogate her.

A ruthless look flashed across Madam Qin’s face as she asked with a stern expression, “Jiang Tao, you have gone too far! You said you wanted to have a private chat with my Yan ‘Er. Is this what you mean? Jiang Tao, do you still have the Qin Family in your eyes? You have no right to treat my daughter like this.”

At this moment, Qin Yan called out at the right time, “Mom”. Her tears fell like rain. Coupled with her pale face, she looked extremely pitiful.

Jiang Tao said to Qin Xingbao, “Uncle, Auntie, I’m sorry! I’m not bullying your daughter, but I have to clarify this, or else I won’t be able to answer Tianhao!”

Qin Xingbao and his wife were shocked when they heard that this had to do with Gong Tianhao. Why would he be involved? Why hadn't their daughter mentioned anything?

"Jiang Tao, I don't care about that. You can't bully my daughter when you're in the Qin Family." Madam Qin was very protective and said sternly, "Jiang Tao, you're injured, and my Yan 'Er needs to rest. Please leave!"

Jiang Tao's sharp gaze swept over the couple. Then, he saw Qin Yan continue to pretend to be wronged. A trace of impatience flashed across his eyes. After that, he said directly, "If Qin Yan doesn't explain the matter clearly, then the engagement is off."

When they heard that, the expression of the Qin couple immediately changed. They didn't think this was so serious.

"The engagement is off?!" Qin Xingbao stared at Jiang Tao with his sharp eyes and said in a very stern tone, "Jiang Tao, what is the meaning of this? What do you think the marriage between the two families is? How can you bring up the annulment so easily?"

"You're insulting not only my daughter but also the entire Qin Family. I'll go and demand an explanation from Old Master Jiang. Is this how he teaches his grandson?"

Madam Qin also said angrily, "Jiang Tao, this is really too much! Master, go and call Old Master Jiang."

Jiang Tao frowned and said coldly, "Uncle, Auntie, I mean no offense to you or the Qin Family. But this thing is very important to me. I need to know the truth. Or else the engagement is off."

Qin Xingbao was so angry that his lungs hurt. He pointed at Jiang Tao with a livid face and said loudly, "Good, good. Jiang Tao, you're something else. Even now, you have a reason?!"

However, Qin Xingbao also knew his limits. He would never bring up the annulment himself. Otherwise, Jiang Tao might take advantage of him and push the annulment forward. Qin Xingbao's expression was unsightly as he gnashed his teeth and said, "Jiang Tao, my Qin Family doesn't need to have a political marriage with the Jiang Family. "My Yan 'Er is the number one beauty in the capital. She has an innocent character and is overflowing with talent. In the entire capital, there are many people fighting to marry her. You should consider yourself lucky that Yan 'Er is willing to marry you."

Jiang Tao did not say anything.

The Qin couple thought that Jiang Tao had surrendered and secretly heaved a sigh of relief.

In the entire capital, only two families were worthy of their Yan 'Er, the Gong Family and the Jiang Family. There were indeed many people who wanted to marry Qin Yan, but they were only after the power of the Qin Family. Of course, between Gong Tianhao and Jiang Tao, the Qin Family favored Gong Tianhao.

This was because Gong Tianhao was powerful, and he had an ability that was worshiped by other young masters. However, Gong Tianhao was powerful enough to decide on his own marriage, unlike the other young masters who had to follow the orders of their families.

Qin Xingbao once went to check on the attitudes of Old Master Gong and Gong Tianhao. It was obvious that they had no intention of marrying Qin Yan.

As Qin Yan got older, there were only a few men left who were suitable in the capital. The Qin Family looked around and settled on Jiang Tao.

Hence, the Qin family hired people to probe Old Master Jiang. They didn't expect things to go so smoothly and the marriage was secretly settled. Soon, the entire upper class heard about the political marriage between the two families. Everything was going smoothly. The marriage date had been chosen. Who would have thought that Jiang Tao would suddenly come back and break off the engagement at the slightest disagreement? Did Jiang Tao think marriage was child's play?

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Thankfully, it seemed like Jiang Tao had been taught a lesson and cleared his mind.

Sadly, the Qin Family relaxed too soon.

Jiang Tao said expressionlessly, "Uncle, Auntie, I'm sorry. If Qin Yan doesn't explain things clearly and makes it impossible for me to explain to Tianhao, the engagement will be off!"

Qin Xingbao was so angry that he staggered, and Madam Qin was so angry that her face was livid.

As for Qin Yan, she was embarrassed, angry, and aggrieved as she kept biting her lower lip. 'Who does this Jiang Tao think he is? Does he think I want to marry him?

'Hmph. If he weren't the heir of the Jiang Family, I wouldn't marry him either. Who are you to force me to admit things?'

Qin Xingbao pointed at Jiang Tao and said with a livid face, "You... you... who do you think you are?"

Madam Qin took a deep breath. She did not look at Jiang Tao anymore. Instead, she squatted down and asked Qin Yan, 'Yan 'Er, what exactly is Jiang Tao talking about? What is so serious that the engagement has to be annulled?'

Qin Xingbao also reacted immediately. He looked at Jiang Tao and questioned, "Jiang Tao, what exactly do you want Yan 'Er to explain and why?"

Jiang Tao's cold gaze glanced at Qin Yan, and then he said indifferently, "Qin Yan took a photo of me with a woman and went to look for my grandfather..."

Before Jiang Tao could finish his words, Madam Qin shouted angrily, "Bastard! Jiang Tao, you already have a fiancée, but you went out to hook up with another woman! How could you?" Madam Qin looked at Jiang Tao with a fiery gaze.

Jiang Tao ignored her and continued, "When my grandfather saw this photo, he was furious. He immediately sent people to investigate and kill this woman. In the end, he attracted Tianhao's anger."

The Qin couple was stunned. How did this have anything to do with Gong Tianhao?

It would be serious if it had attracted Gong Tianhao's anger, but how come they didn't hear anything?

Jiang Tao said, "In the end, Tianhao captured all the people my grandfather sent and gave my grandfather a warning."

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"Huh?" The two stared at each other. This was a serious issue indeed.

"Then, Old Master Gong called grandfather and scolded him. After that, my grandfather studied the photo and realized the problem," Jiang Tao said coldly.

This time, the Qin couple immediately fell silent.

If a photo caused a quarrel between the two families, then this photo was definitely not simple.

"My grandfather thought the picture looked strange, so he had people analyze it. And the result..."

The Qin couple suddenly listened nervously. They had a premonition that this result was not what they wanted to hear.

"The real male lead in that photo is Gong Tianhao, and not me, Jiang Tao," Jiang Tao questioned coldly. "Qin Yan, why did you go through so much trouble to change swap Gong Tianhao out for me in that picture?"

The Qin couple was surprised.

"Ah!"

They had no idea there was such a big conspiracy behind this...

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Jiang Tao gave Qin Yan a cold look, then looked at the Qin couple, "It was a picture of Tianhao and the girl, and not me. The girl was almost killed by my grandfather.

"I just want to ask. Qin Yan, what are your intentions?"

The Qin couple was extremely shocked by this news.

Qin Xingbao glared at his daughter with an awkward expression. "Erm, Tao 'Er..." Just as Qin Xingbao was about to say something, Jiang Tao immediately interrupted him and asked sharply, "Qin Yan, what exactly are your intentions? Are you trying to sow discord between the Gong and Jiang families or between Gong Tianhao and me? Or do you have an even sinister ulterior motive?" Qin Yan's face turned even paler. The guilt on her face disappeared in a flash, but her expression was one of shock and anger.

'Why is Jiang Tao acting like this? Does he have to be so aggressive and tear open my wounds?

'So I like Gong Tianhao, and I won't allow any other woman to be by his side. What's wrong with that?

"Jiang Tao, I hate you!" Qin Yan held onto the bedsheet tightly with both her hands. The creases on the bedsheet made the veins on her hands stand out even more. She also showed her anger.

Her heart kept roaring with anger and hatred. She piled her hatred onto Xiao Lingyu, whom she did not know.

However, Qin Yan hid it well in front of everyone. She did not expose her heart's darkness and viciousness.

However, Jiang Tao noticed the crazy jealousy on her face. A ruthless light flashed in his eyes.

'This woman is really good at disguising herself.

"This woman is a venomous snake. I need to be cautious of her. She will definitely harm Lingyu again.'

Qin Xingbao heard Jiang Tao's question, and his eyebrows jumped. He was a little dissatisfied.

However, his daughter was in the wrong, and it was a big problem that Yan 'Er had fooled Old Master Jiang. So even if Qin Xingbao wanted to criticize Jiang Tao, he was in no right to do so.

"Qin Yan, now that your parents are here, please explain yourself." Jiang Tao pressured.

This made Qin Xingbao and his wife very unhappy.

A mother knows her daughter. Madam Qin quickly sorted out the truth from Jiang Tao's words. Her daughter must have fallen in love with Gong Tianhao and found out Gong Tianhao had a lover already. So her daughter used Old Master Jiang to get rid of that woman.

'Silly daughter! If you like Gong Tianhao, you should have told us earlier.

'You're now engaged to Jiang Tao, but you're involved in Gong Tianhao's love life. That is an insult to both Jiang Tao and the Jiang Family.

'Which man would like their fiancée to have eyes for another man? What if they were cheated on? That would disgrace his whole entire family.'

Madam Qin sighed softly and said to Jiang Tao, "Tao 'Er, Yan 'Er didn't do it on purpose. Don't worry. With your uncle and I around, she will definitely be loyal to you and treat you well. Let's just forget about this matter, okay? Give uncle and Auntie some face."

Madam Qin's words were gentle and soft.

However, Jiang Tao said unyieldingly, "Auntie, I also want to forget about this matter. However, this matter has really enraged Tianhao.

"He asked me to give him an explanation. Uncle, you should know the kind of person Tianhao is. Once he starts to care about something, he will not stop until he gets what he wants.

"This time, Qin Yan used my grandfather to hurt the woman Tianhao likes. This has provoked Tianhao."

"Gong Tianhao already has a woman he likes?!" Madam Qin just snapped back to attention. This was big news for the capital circle. Everyone knew that Gong Tianhao didn't like to get close to women. Therefore, some people secretly guessed that Gong Tianhao was gay...

Many socialites in the capital's upper circle had designs on Gong Tianhao, but all of them returned in defeat.

Qin Xingbao and his wife were shocked that Gong Tianhao had found a woman he liked.

After all, there was no woman in the capital or the world who was prettier than Yan 'Er.

However, Gong Tianhao did not take a fancy to Yan 'Er and fell in love with another woman.

Madam Qin smiled and said, "Oh, Young Master Gong already has a woman he likes. That is a good thing. I wonder which family's daughter has won over the young master's heart?"

Since she knew her daughter's interest was really on Gong Tianhao, naturally, Madam Qin wanted to help her.

However, Qin Yan and Jiang Tao were engaged. The Qin family could not casually propose to break off the engagement. Otherwise, it would affect the Qin family's reputation.

The annulment couldn't come from Jiang Tao either. It would be an insult to the Qin Family.

However, there was another ending that Madam Qin would love to see. And that was a stolen bride.

Once Gong Tianhao fell in love with Qin Yan and snatched her away from Jiang Tao, this would not affect Qin Family's reputation. In fact, it would raise her daughter and the Qin Family's status.

'So what if Gong Tianhao has a woman he likes. Once I eliminate her, Gong Tianhao will have to find another woman. And my daughter is his best option.' Madam Qin plotted.

Jiang Tao's sharp gaze swept over Madam Qin as if he wanted to see something from Madam Qin's expression. However, Madam Qin hid it well and did not let him notice.

Of course, Jiang Tao was not a fool. He would not reveal Xiao Lingyu's information.

Jiang Tao replied indifferently, "Auntie, I'm sorry. I don't know what. In fact, why don't we ask your daughter? Miss Qin, can you tell me where did you get the picture of Gong Tianhao? Otherwise, when Tianhao comes here, things are going to be a lot more serious."

Once Jiang Tao said that the expressions of the Qin couple changed abruptly.

They understood what Jiang Tao meant. If Gong Tianhao made a move, the Qin family would most likely suffer a huge blow. The couple knew very well that Jiang Tao was not joking

Qin Xingbao looked at Qin Yan and questioned her sternly, "Yan 'Er, where did you get that photo from? Hurry up and tell us!"

Qin Yan bit her lips and felt deeply remorseful.

If she had known that a photo would force her into such an embarrassing situation, she would have planned better so that picture would be flawless.

However, in this state, she couldn't say that she didn't know anything either.

If Gong Tianhao really came for her, her tragedy would come.

However, Qin Yan didn't know that her life was already on a countdown when she targeted Xiao Lingyu.

Madam Qin gently patted Qin Yan's shoulder and said softly, "Yan 'Er, don't be afraid. Tell us, where did you get that photo? Did someone threaten you to target Gong Tianhao with it?" When she said this, she gave Qin Yan a look. The plan was to get Qin Yan to find a scapegoat.

However, the hint was very clear.

Qin Yan got it, and Jiang Tao got it.

Jiang Tao didn't say anything.

Qin Yan quickly reacted. Her eyes darted about, and then she cried out aggrievedly, "Mom, I didn't do it on purpose. A person suddenly called me and said that he had a photo in his hand and wanted to give it to me.

"Then, he told me to do as he said, or he'd make sure I'd be injured.

"Dad, Mom, I was scared. I didn't agree at first. But things kept happening to me when I was out. Fortunately, there were no serious consequences. He just gave me a warning. "I was scared, so I did what I was told. Dad, Mom, Brother Tao, I didn't do it on purpose. I really didn't do it on purpose. "I was threatened by someone."

Jiang Tao asked coldly, "Then who threatened you?"

The excuse was full of flaws. Did she really think Jiang Tao was a fool? Since Qin Yan had said these things, then she must have found a scapegoat in her mind.

She cried and shook her head. "I don't know. But he told me that his surname is Leng!"