#### **Lady gu 1001**

## Chapter 1001: She Has To Be Proud

Xia Mengyan explained, "President Gu, it's true that my grandmother doesn't like Xi Xi, but she's never been upset at Xi Xi. That incident happened decades ago, and my grandmother has long forgotten about it. Why would she vent her anger on Xi Xi?"

Then, she looked at Qiao Xi and said earnestly, "Xi Xi, I know President Gu dotes on you, but you can't use his love to frame others. Grandma has always hoped that you could come back and reunite with your family, but you're treating her like this. Even if you hate her, you can't malign her like this!

"You're deliberately pretending to be weak to make President Gu's heart ache. Perhaps he can't tell, but as women, we can tell that you're pretending. You want to sow discord between the Xia family and President Gu, but what's in it for you? Why can't our two families be harmonious?"

Qiao Xi sneered in her heart. Xia Mengyan knew that she was deliberately pretending to be weak! But didn't Xia Mengyan often pretend to be pitiful to gain sympathy? What right did she have to say that about others?

Looking at Xia Mengyan's angry but helpless appearance, Qiao Xi felt pleased. She smiled lightly and said, "Well it's because Gu Zheng likes it when I pretend to be weak. I'm smug because I'm favored. What can you do about it?"

Xia Mengyan was fuming with anger. She bit her lip and did not say anything.

"Miss Xia." Song Shijing reminded her, "Our president dotes on Young Madam and can't bear to see her suffer. Now that Old Madam Xia has offended Young Madam, the president has to seek justice for her. If you interfere in this matter again, Old Madam Xia won't be the only one who'll suffer."

Xia Mengyan was instantly speechless. She was not stupid enough to provoke Gu Zheng.

Song Shijing could tell that the president was running out of patience, so he walked up to Xia Cheng. "Old Master Xia, you know as well that our young madam is weak and kind. Of course, she can't bear to deal with Old Madam Xia, so our president will do it for her. Since Old Madam Xia wants to throw Young Madam to the suburbs, why don't we invite her to go there too?"

With that, Song Shiyu signaled the bodyguards to walk in front of Old Madam Xia and take her away forcefully.

"Ah Cheng!" Old Madam Xia trembled in fear.

Xia Cheng's expression darkened. It was not that he cared about Old Madam Xia but he just felt that Gu Zheng was going too far. He was going to snatch his wife in front of him. Gu Zheng did not take him, an elder, seriously at all!

No matter how powerful Gu Zheng was, he was just a junior. What right did he have to let his assistant capture the mistress of the Xia family? He was clearly provoking and looking down on the Xia family!

The muscles on Xia Cheng's face trembled. "President Gu, this is the Xia family. Sumei is Xi Xi's elder. Even if she did something wrong, the matter shouldn't be handled by a junior. Moreover, I've already asked her to apologize to Xi Xi. What else do you want..."

"Who said that elders don't have to be punished for their mistakes? Moreover, Old Madam Xia has offended Mrs. Gu. I have no reason to let her off, nor do I need your permission to do this," Gu Zheng interrupted Xia Cheng's words and gestured for everyone to take action. The bodyguards went forward and grabbed Old Madam Xia's arms before dragging her out.

Gu Zheng looked up and glanced coldly at the Xia family. "If I want to do something, no one can stop me. Old Master Xia, you think I shouldn't do this, but I insist on doing it. If any of you are unconvinced, you can accompany Old Madam Xia to the suburbs so that she won't be too lonely."

As soon as he finished speaking, he held Qiao Xi's hand and said gently, "Xi Xi, let's go. You don't have to come to the Xia family again."

Qiao Xi's face was filled with grievances as she shrunk into Gu Zheng's embrace in fear and cried. "Yes! Let's quickly go home. They're too scary!"

Xia Cheng: "..." She was afraid? Why was she pretending?! Before Gu Zheng appeared, he did not notice Qiao Xi's fear at all.

At this moment, Old Madam Xia was struggling violently. She did not expect Gu Zheng to really want to forcefully send her there. It was simply disgraceful!

Xia Cheng burned with rage, but he did not dare to flare up at Gu Zheng. He could only roar angrily at Qiao Xi. "Qiao Xi! Are you done fooling around?! Your grandmother is old and can't endure such torture. Are you trying to kill her?"

Qiao Xi crawled out of Gu Zheng's embrace and slowly raised her eyes to look at Xia Cheng. She said with a smile, "Old Master Xia, didn't you say that I should stay in the Xia family for a few more days? But Old Madam Xia wants to harm me. If I see her every day, I'll definitely be so afraid that I won't be able to sleep. How can I stay in the Xia family in peace?"

Gu Zheng revealed a faint smile and quietly watched Mrs. Gu's performance.

#### Chapter 1002: Qiao Xi Is The Xia Family's Antidote

Qiao Xi's face was filled with helplessness. "Moreover, I wasn't fooling around! It's clearly Old Madam Xia who wants to throw me to the suburbs first. Why can't I throw her to the suburbs now? She made a mistake but I'm supposed to let it slide just because she casually apologized? I know you can't bear to see Old Madam Xia suffer, so I won't make things difficult for you. Old Madam Xia, just stay in the Xia family. We'll leave now and never visit again!

"Ah Zheng, tell the butler that no one from the Xia family is to visit Longwan Residential in the future. I don't want to have any more contact with the Xia family!"

Gu Zheng replied, "Alright, Longwan Residential is your home. You can refuse to meet whoever. I promise I won't let you see the Xia family again.

"Old Master Xia, since Xi Xi has said so, I won't hold Old Madam Xia responsible anymore. As for how you deal with her, it has nothing to do with us."

Xia Cheng's heart constricted.

No, no!

Qiao Xi was the antidote for the entire family. The antidote in her body had already taken effect. The people from the Medical Association said that only those who were related to the Xia family by blood could take the antidote and detoxify the poison in the Xia family. She was the hope of the entire Xia family. She could not leave just like that.

If Qiao Xi cut off all contact with the Xia family and never met the Xia family again, how could they obtain Qiao Xi's blood? No matter what, they had to keep Qiao Xi. They could not miss a good opportunity because of a small matter.

Xia Cheng was silent for a moment. His face was livid as he said helplessly, "Then send Sumei to the suburbs for a while. Let her calm down and wait for Xi Xi to forget about this matter before bringing her back."

Old Madam Xia's expression instantly stiffened as if she had been struck by lightning. She looked at Xia Cheng in disbelief. She and Xia Cheng had been husband and wife for so many years. Now, for Qiao Xi's sake, he wanted to send her to the suburbs to live?

At the thought of this, Old Madam Xia felt her chest tighten. Her vision darkened as she fell to the floor.

Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows. She couldn't take it anymore? But this was just the beginning. The Xia family would absolutely not have a good time in the future!

Seeing that Ai Sumei had fainted, Xia Cheng's face turned livid. He suppressed his anger and said, "Xi Xi, Sumei has already been punished. You can stay in the Xia family."

As soon as he finished speaking, Qiao Xi leaned weakly in Gu Zheng's arms and said with an aggrieved expression, "But I'm still a little afraid. Ah Zheng, bring me home first."

At this point, Qiao Xi hurriedly covered her mouth. "Oh! I can't act cute with Ah Zheng! Otherwise, Miss Xia will say that I'm pretending to be weak. I'm clearly suffering here, but I can't complain to my husband. I might never be as strong as Miss Xia. It's all my fault for being a weak and timid girl!"

Xia Mengyan's face alternated between red and white. She knew that Qiao Xi was secretly mocking her, but she was unable to retort. She did not want to provoke Qiao Xi at this critical moment, lest she got implicated as well.

She lowered her head and gritted her teeth. Her voice was dry. "Xi Xi, I'm sorry. I misunderstood you."

Qiao Xi nodded, and her tone was gentle yet carried a trace of ridicule. "I forgive you, Miss Xia, but I can't say the same if there's a next time! Although I have a good temper and don't want to bicker with you, my husband has a very bad temper. He's very scary!"

Hearing Qiao Xi mention Gu Zheng, Xia Mengyan was angered to the point her entire body trembled. Why was she Gu Zheng's wife? She could rightfully enjoy Gu Zheng's protection, but Qiao Xi, this b\*tch,

was simply pretending. Gu Zheng was utterly unable to discern that he had been deceived by Qiao Xi's weak appearance.

Xia Mengyan was so angry that she gritted her teeth. Her nails pierced through her skin and dug into her palms.

"Old Master Xia, as Miss Xia's grandfather, you should discipline her more in the future. I won't bicker with her, but if she offends others in the future, they won't be as easy to talk to as I am." Qiao Xi looked at Xia Cheng and advised him with a smile.

Xia Cheng hesitated for a moment and gritted his teeth. "Mengyan, it's inevitable that your grandmother will be lonely if she goes to the suburbs alone. Go stay with her for a while."

Xia Mengyan was infuriated. She glared fiercely at Qiao Xi and took a deep breath. "Alright."

Qiao Xi smiled proudly. "Goodbye!"

Suddenly, a police siren sounded outside the window. Everyone in the Xia family trembled. Qiao Xi chuckled and said, "Everyone, don't be afraid. They're not here to capture you. They're here to take Butler Liu away. After all, he maliciously damaged my mother's belongings. I have to hold him responsible. Old Master Xia, you won't mind, right?"

### **Chapter 1003: Malicious Attack On Gu Corporation**

At this moment, Butler Liu's voice came from outside the door. Xia Cheng's expression was so gloomy. He had already agreed to send Ai Sumei and Xia Mengyan to the suburbs according to Qiao Xi's wishes, but she still called the police to capture Butler Liu. Did she have to turn the entire Xia family upside down before she was satisfied?

Qiao Xi smiled in satisfaction when she saw Xia Cheng's angry but afraid appearance.

Xia Cheng forcefully suppressed his anger and kept reminding himself in his heart that he had to endure it. As long as he kept Qiao Xi in the Xia family, he would have many chances to slowly deal with her. The humiliation in front of him was only temporary.

"Xi Xi, since Mengyan and Sumei have moved out and Butler Liu has been captured, you can stay in the Xia family for a few more days. You also need to sign your mother's will." Xia Cheng looked at her anxiously, then took out a document.

Qiao Xi did not even raise her head and yawned. She said with a tired expression, "Ah Zheng, I'm so tired! I want to go home and sleep!"

Gu Zheng glanced at Xia Cheng and smiled. "I'm really sorry, Old Master Xia. Xi Xi is very tired now. I'll bring her home to rest first. I'll bring her over to visit if I have the chance. As for the will, forget it."

Song Shijing said slowly, "Old Master Xia, the process of signing the will is complicated. Young Madam is already very tired and can't read those documents for the time being. If Old Madam Xia hadn't scared Young Madam, she wouldn't be so tired."

Xia Cheng choked, his face turning red as he cursed in his heart.

Ai Sumei!

What an idiot! How did he get married to this piece of trash back then? Her family did not have any power at all. It was fine that she could not help the Xia family, but she even ruined his plan.

Xia Cheng glanced at Old Madam Xia who had collapsed on the chair with a face full of disgust. The anger in his heart was suppressed layer after layer. After Qiao Xi and Gu Zheng left, he waved his hand in annoyance. "Send Old Madam Xia and Mengyan to a house in the suburbs for a few days."

At this moment, Old Madam Xia had already slowly woken up. Looking at her heartless husband, her heart instantly sank. Xia Mengyan's expression was also very ugly.

Qiao Xi!

'You b\*tch, I won't let you off!'

Xia Mengyan suppressed the resentment in her heart. She wanted Qiao Xi to pay a painful price.

Xia Cheng was only focused on the antidote. He had to quickly obtain Qiao Xi's blood while the poison in his body could still be treated. Just as Ai Sumei had said, he had to leave Qiao Xi in the Xia family and create another accident to announce to the public that Qiao Xi was dead. At that time, they could slowly use the blood in Qiao Xi's body.

If it were not for Gu Zheng barging in today, the blood in Qiao Xi's body would have long been drained. Gu Zheng could protect Qiao Xi for a while, but he could not protect her for the rest of her life. They would find a chance sooner or later.

Xia Cheng watched Old Madam Xia leave while trembling. There was no reluctance in his eyes.

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The next afternoon, Qiao Xi got off work and returned to Longwan Residential. She heard that Old Madam Xia and Xia Mengyan had already gone to the suburbs. Without these two scourges, the Xia family was much quieter.

Right now, she only wanted to know how Xia Cheng obtained the medicine, so she decided to make a trip to the Medical Association to investigate.

When she passed by the study, she suddenly stopped in her tracks. Gu Zheng was still in the study at this time? She had already fallen asleep last night but Gu Zheng had not returned to the bedroom. It turned out he had been sitting in the study for the entire day.

"It's really strange that someone keeps attacking Gu Corporation for no reason. The other party seems to have gone mad. They don't care about the consequences at all and are determined to not let Gu Corporation be at peace," the butler muttered unhappily.

Only then did Qiao Xi realize that Gu Zheng had been staying in the study for the past few days because he had encountered trouble. Even though Gu Zheng was not afraid of the other party, endless attacks were indeed annoying. Hence, Gu Zheng had to investigate clearly who was behind this.

"Previously, many people were jealous of the president and attacked Gu Corporation maliciously, but the president never cared about them. Why is he..." The butler suddenly paused and turned to look at Qiao Xi. "Madam, don't worry. This is nothing to the president. It'll be settled in a few days."

Song Shijing hurried upstairs and glanced at the butler. Then, he said respectfully, "Young Madam, the car is ready. We can leave now."

Qiao Xi knew that Song Shijing was here to stop the butler from talking. She did not expose him and followed Song Shijing downstairs.

The members of the Medical Association had always been mysterious. Their base was also in a hidden place—Blue Dream Pavilion, an advanced clubhouse in Li City.

# Chapter 1004: The Unlucky Gu Yao

The name of the clubhouse was elegant, but this was the most luxurious place to spend money. It was equipped with all kinds of entertainment facilities and was the largest auction house in the country. There were all kinds of things here. There was nothing that one could not imagine. However, the owner of the clubhouse was very mysterious. Almost no one had seen him before. The headquarters of the Medical Association was in this mysterious Blue Dream Pavilion.

After Qiao Xi got out of the car, she quickly walked through the luxurious hall and saw a few familiar people. She ignored them. Almost all the rich young masters of Li City would come to Blue Dream Pavilion, but she did not expect to see Gu Yao here.

She walked closer and saw the dazed Gu Yao and the helpless Li Xing'er beside him. At this moment, Li Xing'er said in an excited tone, "Look, there are so many beauties here. Let them drink with you if you like them!"

Li Xing'er waved her hand, and a woman in revealing clothes walked over with a bottle of wine. She sat beside Gu Yao and pressed her enchanting body against him.

However, Gu Yao looked at her in confusion and asked innocently, "Do you want me to help you open the bottle? You girls are really useless! You can't even open the cap!"

Li Xing'er: "..." 'What a fool!'

The smile on the woman's face froze. She had never seen such an insensible rich young master. For a moment, she did not know how to answer.

Qiao Xi was really puzzled. Why would Gu Yao come here with Li Xing'er? Moreover, their conversation was really puzzling.

Li Xing'er was shocked. "Gu Yao! Are you still a man? Such a beautiful woman is standing in front of you, yet you're only thinking about the cap? Didn't you say that you like women with good figures? This woman's figure is really one in a million! What else do you want?!"

Gu Yao smiled dryly. "How would I know that this is the beauty you were talking about?! You didn't tell me just now!"

Qiao Xi's gaze shifted between Li Xing'er and Gu Yao. Did Li Xing'er bring Gu Yao to Blue Dream Pavilion to train him to interact with women?

Just as Li Xing'er was thinking about how to enlighten Gu Yao, she suddenly sensed that someone was standing behind her. She suddenly turned around and met Qiao Xi's strange gaze.

"Ah!"

Li Xing'er screamed in fear. Gu Yao stood up abruptly in a panic like a child who had done something wrong. His voice trembled uncontrollably. "You... Let me explain. I was deceived into coming here. I don't know that woman at all!"

Qiao Xi: "???"

Gu Yao was wearing a black satin shirt, and his hair was casually hanging down. His eyes were affectionate and gentle. When he smiled, he looked like an innocent and obedient little puppy. However, the moment he opened his mouth, the scene would completely change. If it were not for his handsome face, he would look like a loser.

At this moment, Gu Yao was at a loss. His face was slightly red, and his forehead was covered in sweat. He explained anxiously, "I'm not that kind of person. Believe me!"

The women standing in front of Gu Yao instantly revealed strange expressions. They all took a few steps back and distanced themselves. It turned out that his wife had come looking for him. Seeing how afraid Gu Yao was, his wife was definitely not to be trifled with. They naturally did not dare to look for trouble.

They hurriedly turned around to leave and could not help but complain, "Men just like novelty. He has such a beautiful wife, yet he's still looking for women outside. The grass is always greener on the other side, huh?!"

"That woman is his wife?"

"Of course! That woman is wearing a wedding ring, and the moment she appeared, the man explained himself in a panic. He seems to be very afraid of women. If she's not his wife, why would he be so afraid? This man is too unlucky. It's clearly his first time here, but he was caught by his wife. How unlucky!"

Gu Yao, who was at the side, did not notice their discussion at all. His mind was filled with how to explain it to Qiao Xi, so he said sincerely, "Sister-in-law, I was wrong. Don't blame me!"

Everyone: "!!!" Oh my God!

"What? Sister-in-law? Everyone says that the world of the rich is especially chaotic. I've really witnessed it today. The brother-in-law came out to have fun. Why did the sister-in-law come out to catch him in the act? Could it be that they're having an affair?"

Qiao Xi gritted her teeth and smiled coldly at Gu Yao.

Gu Yao met Qiao Xi's eyes and could not help but tremble. He felt as if he had been discovered by Gu Zheng for doing something bad. This couple was so scary!

"I know my mistake now, but you can't blame me for this. Li Xing'er forced me to come!" Gu Yao complained loudly.

# **Chapter 1005: A Beautiful Marriage**

Li Xing'er abruptly looked up, her eyes filled with the sorrow of being betrayed by a friend. Before she could explain, she heard Qiao Xi reprimand Gu Yao, "Nonsense! Do you think I don't know why Li Xing'er would bring you to Blue Dream Pavilion and find a bunch of women for you to drink with? Don't slander others!"

Gu Yao could not say anything. Li Xing'er clearly suspected that he did not like women, so she forcefully pulled him to Blue Dream Pavilion to test if he liked women.

After half an hour of torture and interrogation, Qiao Xi finally understood. She smiled lightly. "Gu Yao, I heard that you failed more than a hundred blind dates. Who arranged these blind dates?"

Gu Yao replied truthfully, "My father, Gu Weiming! Although I'm not his biological son, he has been treating me quite well all these years. I couldn't refuse the blind dates he arranged for me."

Qiao Xi knew very well that Gu Yao was a grateful person. All these years, Gu Weiming had always treated him as his biological son and doted on him. Hence, Gu Yao remembered this kindness in his heart. As long as Gu Weiming's instructions did not violate morals and the law, Gu Yao would usually not refuse.

Qiao Xi glanced at Li Xing'er and smiled meaningfully. "It's not entirely because of you that your blind dates fail. It's just that you haven't met the right person. If you go on a blind date with Li Xing'er, do you think you'll fail?"

Gu Yao was stunned.

Qiao Xi looked at the two of them with a smile. If the two of them could be together, it would be a beautiful marriage.

After a moment of silence, Gu Yao asked, "The Li family is a famous family. Will they marry their daughter to me?"

Qiao Xi's expression instantly stiffened, and the corners of her mouth twitched slightly. This was indeed a problem. Li Xing'er was the only daughter of the Li family, and the entire family doted on her like an apple. How could they marry her to a hedonistic son who only knew how to eat, drink, and play?

She was in a rush to go to the Medical Association and told Gu Yao to leave with her in half an hour. Coincidentally, Blue Dream Pavilion was holding a grand auction. Li Xing'er was very curious, so Qiao Xi instructed her subordinates to bring them over to see the event while also preventing them from causing trouble.

After parting with Gu Yao, Qiao Xi walked into an empty corner alone with a black figure following closely behind.

Butler Liu's eyes were fierce. When he thought of the huge sum of money he needed to compensate, he was filled with resentment. The Xia family actually pushed him out to take the blame. The person who was even more detestable was Qiao Xi. It was just a few photos and designs. What was so precious about a dead person's belongings?

After Qiao Xi kicked up that ruckus, not only did he have to compensate for a huge sum of money, but he also had to face jail time. In the future, no one would dare to hire him anymore. His life was ruined. All of this was because of Qiao Xi!

Old Master Xia was right. As long as Qiao Xi relented and stopped pursuing this matter, he would be able to live.

Butler Liu took out a handkerchief from his pocket and sprinkled it with an incapacitating agent before following Qiao Xi into the empty corridor.

Qiao Xi glanced behind her and sneered in her heart. Her footsteps were still steady. She smelled the scent of drugs and a familiar smell of ointment on that person's body.

It was Butler Liu! He was being used by others but did not know it. He actually came to Blue Dream Pavilion to commit murder. How stupid!

Qiao Xi walked to the end of the corridor. The surveillance cameras in the vicinity were all broken, so the surrounding private rooms were empty. Even if something happened later, no one would hear it.

She smiled lightly and walked into the last private room. Butler Liu followed closely behind, holding a handkerchief that was covered in knockout powder. He was prepared to knock Qiao Xi out first before secretly taking her away. In any case, the people in Blue Dream Pavilion were drunk. No one would suspect him if he dragged Qiao Xi along.

Butler Liu stopped in his tracks and watched as Qiao Xi entered the private room at the end of the corridor. There was no one around. Even if she shouted, no one would hear her. What an idiot!

Qiao Xi entered the private room and casually found a seat to sit down on. The private rooms in Blue Dream Pavilion were all very spacious. The facilities inside were also very complete. There was a karaoke room, a bedroom, and a shower. There were also clothes prepared.

Qiao Xi leaned against the sofa and quietly waited for Butler Liu to enter.

She knew that her mother's belongings were not destroyed by Butler Liu, but he was willing to take the blame for Xia Yunlou and Ai Sumei. Who could he blame? He could only blame himself for being stupid for thinking that the Xia family would save him!

Xia Cheng must have used Butler Liu's family to threaten him into confessing. Hence, Butler Liu could only brace himself and take all the blame. After that, Xia Cheng provoked him again. When he was at his wit's end and his heart was filled with resentment, he thought of taking revenge.

Chapter 1006: No One Will Save You Even If You Shout Till Your Throat Is Hoarse

It had to be said that Xia Cheng was a little smart. He was using Butler Liu to kidnap Qiao Xi and found the perfect scapegoat. After Butler Liu was captured by the police, Xia Cheng would secretly hide Qiao Xi and use her blood to detoxify the Xia family.

This way, not only would he get rid of Butler Liu, the wild card, but he would also be able to obtain Qiao Xi's blood. It could be said to be killing two birds with one stone.

Qiao Xi sneered and leaned against the sofa with her eyes closed. Suddenly, the door of the private room opened and someone crept in.

Butler Liu had a ferocious expression. He held a sharp knife in one hand and a white handkerchief in the other. He muttered, "Don't blame me. Who asked you to harm me? You deserve to die!"

Before entering, Butler Liu had already expected Qiao Xi to kneel in front of him and cry for mercy. He wanted to insult and torture this woman to his heart's content to show her the consequences of offending him.

However, this woman was indeed very beautiful just like Miss Xia Yunqiu. He had lived for half his life and had never seen a woman as beautiful as Qiao Xi. In any case, he was already kidnapping this woman, so he might as well enjoy her.

Butler Liu slowly approached and looked at Qiao Xi who was curled up in a corner of the sofa. Her lotus-colored dress outlined her perfect figure, and her fair and stunning face made one's heart ripple. He smiled wretchedly. "Miss Qiao Xi."

Qiao Xi slowly opened her eyes and whimpered slightly in fear.

When Butler Liu heard this weak voice, the ruthlessness in his heart surged. She was a weak little woman who could be bullied by anyone. He would abuse this b\*tch to his heart's content later and watch her cry and beg for mercy under him. Only then would he be satisfied!

However, for some reason, the other lights in the private room were all broken. Only the surrounding ambient lights were lit. However, it was good that the lighting was dim because no one would notice. The soundproofing in the private room was so good that even if Qiao Xi shouted until her throat was hoarse, no one would hear her.

Butler Liu held the knife in his hand and approached Qiao Xi step by step. He was even more excited when he saw her watery eyes filled with tears.

"Miss Qiao Xi, you can only blame yourself for being stupid. Blue Dream Pavilion is so big, yet you chose a place with no one around. There are no surveillance cameras here, and there are no lights. Even if you die here, no one will know!

"Don't even think about asking for help. The private rooms here are specially soundproofed. No matter how much you shout, no one will hear you. Just obediently accept your fate! Who asked you to force me into a corner? You should pay the price for this!"

Butler Liu's eyes were filled with viciousness as he raised the knife and placed it on Qiao Xi's cheek. The blade slid down, then gently went past her neck. It was about to tear her clothes.

His eyes were bloodshot, and his hands were trembling from excitement. He was just about to reach out and tear Qiao Xi's clothes when his wrist was suddenly grabbed by her.

Qiao Xi raised her eyes to look at him and smiled lightly. "You're right. There are no surveillance cameras here, and it's very remote. No one will come. Even if you shout until your throat is hoarse, no one will hear you."

Butler Liu was stunned for a few seconds and looked at her in confusion.

Why would he shout? Shouldn't the person who was afraid be Qiao Xi? But why was she smiling?

Butler Liu thought that Qiao Xi was deliberately mystifying things. After all, this woman was the most cunning. She was definitely thinking of a way to escape. He would not fall for her tricks!

He gritted his teeth and said, "You b\*tch, you've already broken my finger. Why did you still call the police? You caused me to be in a desperate situation. I'll definitely not let you have an easy time. Even if I die, I'll drag you down with me!"

As he watched the weak little woman shrink in the corner in fear and her watery eyes as she whimpered helplessly, he became even more excited. He wanted to cut Qiao Xi's clothes and play with this high and mighty young miss to his heart's content. Then, he would cut her throat and watch her blood flow as she died bit by bit.

He was fantasizing about how to abuse Qiao Xi when the little woman who was curled up on the sofa suddenly stood up slowly and said in a plaintive tone, "You're so annoying!"

Butler Liu smiled wretchedly. "I'll show you what it means to be annoying later. If you cooperate with me obediently, I might let you live!"

As soon as he finished speaking, the knife in his hand was swiftly taken away. The weak little woman who had tears in her eyes just now had snatched his knife away. She now held it tightly in her hand. Her tone instantly became cold. "You're so annoying. You've ruined my weak image. I can't continue pretending!"

Butler Liu was dumbfounded. What weak image? Why did he not understand?

#### Chapter 1007: Let You Have A Taste Of My Fist

At this moment, Butler Liu felt that he had been played by this b\*tch. He flew into a rage and shouted, "Qiao Xi! You b\*tch! What exactly do you want? There are no surveillance cameras here. Even if I kill you, no one will see it. So, I advise you to cooperate obediently. Otherwise..."

Suddenly, his voice stopped abruptly. The cold blade was pressed against his neck, and he felt a sharp pain as if it had already cut through his skin.

Qiao Xi's gaze was indifferent, and the knife in her hand was tightly pressed against Butler Liu's weakest spot. As long as she exerted a little force, he would die from his throat being cut.

"That's right. This place is very remote, and no one knows about it," Qiao Xi said slowly, her voice carrying a trace of coldness. "Butler Liu, you're really stupid. Why did you follow me into a private room without surveillance cameras or lights? There's a ready path to heaven, but you chose to come to hell! Aren't you courting death?"

Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows with a mocking expression. Now that she had stood up, Butler Liu was slumped on the sofa. He was so scared that his legs were trembling. The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled into a stunning smile.

At this moment, the wretched thoughts in Butler Liu's heart had already dissipated. His heart was filled with horror. He retreated in fear and pressed his body against the cold wall. There was no way out.

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled up as she grabbed Butler Liu's wrist with her other hand.

#### Crack!

In the quiet environment, the sound of bones breaking was exceptionally clear. Butler Liu's wrist was bent in a strange posture. He could not help but scream.

"Ah!!! You lunatic!"

Butler Liu glared fiercely at Qiao Xi. How was this possible? She was very afraid of him just now. Why did she suddenly seem to have changed into a different person?

In the beginning, he was clearly the one holding the knife. How did the knife suddenly fall into Qiao Xi's hands?

"Butler Liu, you're really audacious! You even dare to scold me?" Qiao Xi held the knife and gestured at his neck with a gloomy expression. "Why did you come looking for me? Did you want to kill me? Did you want to stab me a few times?"

Butler Liu felt the cold blade on his neck and wanted to ask for help. However, he suddenly realized that there was no one around and there were no surveillance cameras. No one would come.

It turned out... it was all set up by this woman from the beginning. She had long realized that he was following her and even deliberately lured him over to deal with him in this private room.

Suddenly, Qiao Xi sighed. "I'm a little angry. You've wasted my precious time. How are you going to compensate me? With your life?"

Butler Liu was so afraid that his entire body was trembling while a cold sweat broke out on his forehead. He could not die. At the very beginning, he wanted to come and look for Qiao Xi to bed her to show mercy and give him a chance to turn over a new leaf. However, how did things turn out like this?

"Killing you will be letting you off easy." As she spoke, Qiao Xi tossed the knife to the floor and kicked the door.

Butler Liu had just heaved a sigh of relief when he saw Qiao Xi reveal an extremely sinister smile under the dim lights. She slowly walked toward him. She twisted her wrist and clenched her fist.

"I want you to have a taste of my fist!"

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On the other hand, Gu Yao and Li Xing'er were obediently sitting on chairs, waiting for Qiao Xi to pick them up and leave. However, half an hour had passed and Qiao Xi had not returned.

Gu Yao could not help but frown. "Qiao Xi has always been very punctual. Why isn't she back yet? Could she have encountered trouble?"

When Li Xing'er heard this, her expression instantly changed. "There are all kinds of people in Blue Dream Pavilion! Seeing that Qiao Xi is beautiful, perhaps... Let's quickly go look for her!"

Gu Yao was also afraid that Qiao Xi would be in trouble, so he hurriedly went to look for the person in charge with Li Xing'er to check the surveillance footage. When the person in charge heard that the two of them were looking for Qiao Xi, his expression was very strange.

"Uhh..." The person in charge hesitated.

Gu Yao said anxiously, "What's going on?! Hurry up and check the surveillance footage! I want to look for my sister-in-law! Do you know who my sister-in-law is? Do you know who my brother is? If anything happens to my sister-in-law, my brother will raze the entire Blue Dream Pavilion to the ground!"

The person in charge: "..." Miss Qiao had shares in Blue Dream Pavilion! Was President Gu really going to do this? It was just that he could not reveal Qiao Xi's identity.

Gu Yao wanted to search for the missing Qiao Xi. According to the standard operating procedure, they had to cooperate with the search and check the surveillance footage. Hence, the person in charge complied. In the footage, Qiao Xi walked into a remote corridor with a sneaky man behind her. Then, the two of them disappeared at the end of the corridor.

Gu Yao's heart trembled as he asked anxiously, "What happened next?"

### **Chapter 1008: Weak Persona Collapsed**

Faced with Gu Yao's question, the person in charge replied truthfully, "The surveillance cameras there are being repaired, so the rooms there aren't open to the public, but..."

Before the person in charge could finish, Gu Yao pulled Li Xing'er and ran out, shouting, "Qiao Xi was being followed. That man must be up to no good. We have to save her quickly! I want to beat that stinky man to death!"

"But... Miss Qiao is very safe. On the other hand, it's that man who'll end up very miserable." The person in charge looked at Gu Yao's back and said what was left unsaid.

Why was Young Master Gu so anxious? It was not as if he did not know Miss Qiao well. The person who should be worried was the man in the same room as Miss Qiao!

If Gu Yao went over a little later, it would have been difficult for that man to survive. Since Young Master Gu was going over now, Miss Qiao might restrain herself a little and spare that man's life. It would not be good if someone died in Blue Dream Pavilion.

On the other hand, Gu Yao used all his strength to run to the corridor where the surveillance cameras had disappeared. He searched the private rooms one by one and finally kicked open the last private room. However, when he saw the scene in the private room, he was instantly stunned.

The anxious expression on Gu Yao's face froze instantly, and his eyes were filled with disbelief. At this moment in the private room, Qiao Xi was holding a knife to the man's neck. Butler Liu, who was at the side, was tied up like a dumpling. His face was bruised and swollen, and his original appearance could no longer be seen. He was leaning against the wall and trembling. He could not even speak clearly. "Save... Save me."

He blinked. Why was this different from what he had expected? Wasn't Qiao Xi in danger? Why was this man the one getting beaten up?

10 minutes ago, Qiao Xi had sighed helplessly. "I'm a very weak person. I don't like to use force, but you've really angered me."

Butler Liu was terrified to the point where snot and tears flowed down his face. He was the one who was tied up, and he was the one who was beaten up. What right did Qiao Xi have to say that she was angry? No matter how angry she was, she had already vented her anger, so she should be appeared by now.

"I've always wanted to be a weak lady, so I never hit or scold anyone outside. I just want to be a weak little girl. Why is it so difficult?! Why do you have to force me to do all this?"

Butler Liu's face was filled with sorrow. At this moment, he was extremely regretful.

Qiao Xi still had the cheek to say that she was weak? Even a boxing champion might not be as powerful as her. With a single punch, he felt his nose bone break!

Qiao Xi stood up and lowered her eyes to look at the trembling Butler Liu. She smiled at him, picked up the knife on the floor, and pressed it against Butler Liu's neck.

At this moment, someone suddenly kicked the door open. Qiao Xi frowned. She did not expect someone to come to such a remote place. She looked up coldly and met Gu Yao's anxious eyes.

"Qiao Xi! I'll..." Before Gu Yao could finish, he swallowed the words in his mouth. The person who should be asking for help was that man!

Gu Yao was dumbfounded. At this moment, he could not help but doubt his life.

Qiao Xi smiled awkwardly. Why was Gu Yao here? She was holding a knife! This would ruin her image! Would anyone believe her if she said that this man wanted to kill her?

Qiao Xi was at a loss and hurriedly pressed the hidden button. The room instantly lit up. She hurriedly walked forward and explained, "Gu Yao, let me explain..."

"Looks like I came for nothing," Gu Yao muttered in a low voice. "I was thinking too much. It's impossible for you to be in danger. It's that man who should be worried!"

Qiao Xi hurriedly hid the knife in her hand behind her back with an embarrassed expression.

At this moment, Butler Liu, who had been beaten black and blue, seemed to have found his savior. His eyes were filled with hope, but before he could ask for help, a wave of hurried footsteps suddenly came from outside the door. Li Xing'er rushed in with a group of bodyguards and looked for Qiao Xi in a panic. She shouted, "Xi Xi! Xi Xi! Don't be afraid! With me around, nobody will dare to hurt you!"

As soon as Li Xing'er finished speaking, her entire body suddenly froze. She looked at Qiao Xi, then at Butler Liu, who was tied up on the sofa. She really did not understand who tied this man up and even beat him up.

She sighed in her heart that Gu Yao was too rash. Even if this man had ill intentions, he could not beat him up like this! He could have just tied him up and handed him to the police. How should she explain this to the police, then?!

Then, Li Xing'er instructed the bodyguards, "Carry this man out. How dare he bully my good friend? He's really audacious!"

### Chapter 1009: You're My Goddess

Hearing Li Xing'er's words, Butler Liu's eyes instantly lit up. He was so excited that tears welled up in his eyes. When he saw Li Xing'er, it was as if he had seen his savior. "Miss Li! Miss Li!"

Li Xing'er was dumbfounded. She did not expect this man to look at her so gratefully.

"Quickly call the police! I beg you, I'll admit my guilt. I shouldn't have tried to hurt Miss Qiao! It's all my fault. Quickly take me away. Please do me a favor and quickly take me away! Save me!"

Li Xing'er responded, "Huh?"

The bodyguards were even more at a loss.

Li Xing'er was silent for a moment. She still did not understand what was going on. Who was trying to hurt who? Why was this man so afraid?

She asked in confusion, "Didn't you want to hurt Qiao Xi with a knife? Why are you asking for help?"

In the surveillance footage, this man was the one following Qiao Xi the entire time. Moreover, he was holding a knife in his hand. He definitely had ill intentions. Why was he asking for help now? Moreover, he even asked the police to quickly capture him. They had never seen such a crazy criminal.

"I was wrong! Quickly call the police! Miss Li, you're a good person. Save me! If you don't call the police now, I'll die here. I don't want to die!"

Li Xing'er was even more puzzled. Just as she was feeling puzzled, Gu Yao leaned in front of her and muttered a few words. Then, Li Xing'er suddenly looked up at Qiao Xi with a shocked and respectful gaze.

Qiao Xi lowered her head, and she was embarrassed that she wished for nothing more than to find a hole to hide in.

Li Xing'er held Qiao Xi's hand with a look of admiration. "Xi Xi! You're really too smart. You knew that this man was following you, so you deliberately lured him to this private room and even tied him up!"

Qiao Xi: "..." 'If you say so!'

"Not only are you smart, but you also know martial arts! When I first came in, I thought Gu Yao beat him up like this! So it was you! You're really too awesome!"

Qiao Xi: "..." 'Stop talking, Xing'er.'

Li Xing'er still asked curiously, "With your thin arms and legs, how can you take down an adult man? Moreover, he had a knife in his hand! Teach me. I want to be as powerful as you. If anyone bullies me in the future, I'll punch them!

"I announce that you're my goddess!"

In Li Xing'er's impression, Qiao Xi had always been a weak little girl who had to be protected by others at all times. Unexpectedly, she could actually defeat a man with her bare hands. Moreover, this man was even crying and begging for mercy. The contrast was really unbelievable.

Qiao Xi lowered her head with a lonely expression.

It was over. Her image as a weak woman had completely collapsed.

She originally only wanted to secretly deal with Butler Liu, but she did not expect Gu Yao to barge in. Li Xing'er even rushed in with her bodyguards. It was hard to explain things now.

Butler Liu was still begging Li Xing'er to save him when footsteps came from the door. They were heavy and slow as they stepped on everyone's hearts.

Gu Zheng's tall figure appeared at the door, and Qiao Xi gasped.

The man coldly swept his gaze across the people in the room, then he looked at Butler Liu. In the end, his gaze landed on Qiao Xi, and his eyes were filled with smiles.

Butler Liu's body suddenly froze. His face was filled with fear, and his veins were bulging. He shouted crazily at Li Xing'er, "Miss Li! Quickly call the police! Save me! I beg you!"

Li Xing'er was stunned for a moment and could not help but look at Gu Zheng. The man was expressionless.

Song Shijing, who was behind her, went forward and said respectfully, "Miss Li, thank you for saving Young Madam. Leave this man to us."

Li Xing'er had always admired Gu Zheng. Not only was this man handsome, but he was also capable. Since Song Shijing had said so, she did not have to interfere in this matter. She smiled and said, "Alright! We'll go first."

Gu Zheng nodded slightly at her, then looked at Gu Yao.

Meeting Gu Zheng's eyes, Gu Yao was so scared that his entire body trembled. His body suddenly tensed up as he hurriedly said, "I'm leaving too! I don't know anything! I'm just here to take a walk!"

Seeing that the two of them were about to leave, Butler Liu's eyes were filled with despair. His face was pale and bruised like a corpse.

"Xi Xi," Gu Zheng said softly.

Li Xing'er had just turned around and was about to leave when she heard Qiao Xi, who was like a God of Death just now, whimper weakly. That voice was especially delicate as if it was produced by a very weak woman. Then, she heard Qiao Xi cry, "Ah Zheng, I'm so scared! Boo-hoo!"

### **Chapter 1010: Could This Be Love?**

Li Xing'er stopped in her tracks.

Had she heard wrongly? Was that voice coming from Qiao Xi? Was she acting cute? She had beaten Butler Liu up until his face was swollen, yet she still had the cheek to say that she was afraid?

President Gu was such a smart person. He must have seen through her a long time ago. One could not deceive this man just by crying a little.

Then, Li Xing'er heard Gu Zheng's gentle voice. "Don't be afraid. Be good, I'm here to save you."

Li Xing'er instantly felt uncomfortable. She looked up at Gu Yao. The two of them were equally shocked and puzzled. Could this be love?

Butler Liu was similarly shocked. He glared fiercely at Qiao Xi. How did this woman have the cheek to say such things? She was clearly so vicious when she hit him just now, yet she was still acting cute toward Gu Zheng now.

"Butler Liu, our young madam is kind-hearted. She only wanted you to compensate her for her mother's destroyed belongings. I didn't expect you to try to hurt the weak young madam and scare her. You have to pay the price for this."

She was kind-hearted? She was weak? Were these people blind? He was the one who was hurt!

Butler Liu was about to retort when he suddenly realized that he could not speak. He looked up abruptly and met Song Shijing's smiling eyes. His voice was filled with mockery and mockery. "Don't be afraid. Even if you can't speak now, you can breathe!"

Qiao Xi curled up in Gu Zheng's embrace with a pitiful appearance of being shocked.

The next second, Song Shijing said word by word, "Butler Liu, I'm sorry to tell you that you've been poisoned. You must be very curious about who poisoned you, right?"

Butler Liu tried to speak, but he could not make a single sound. Only waves of painful sobs came from his throat. His heart trembled as he abruptly looked at Qiao Xi. She still had that pitiful and weak appearance, but her eyes carried a trace of a cold smile.

Song Shijing smiled. "You're not too stupid. Our young madam did poison you."

Qiao Xi smiled lightly at Butler Liu, but this smile caused his scalp to go numb as though he was watching a horror movie.

It was actually Qiao Xi who poisoned him! When did she poison him? Why didn't he notice at all?

"Why don't I tell you another secret? Actually, the antidote Xia Cheng got from the Medical Association was developed by our young madam." Song Shijing's voice was very soft, but it scared Butler Liu so much that he fell from the sofa.

All of them had been deceived by Qiao Xi's weak appearance. Qiao Xi had long known about Old Master Xia's plan. She deliberately did not expose him and even played along with everyone. Everything was within her expectations.

"Butler Liu, you should understand how stupid it is to attack Young Madam now, right?" After Song Shijing finished speaking, the corners of Qiao Xi's mouth twitched.

Her weak image could not be maintained anymore! Now, everyone knew that she had beaten Butler Liu up.

Butler Liu stared fixedly at Qiao Xi, his eyes filled with horror and resentment. From the beginning until the end, Qiao Xi had not fallen for the Xia family's trap. She had willingly drunk that glass of wine and taken that pill, giving Xia Cheng hope and teasing everyone in the Xia family.

Song Shijing said with a smile, "Butler Liu, you can't tell anyone this secret. If you do, you'll be in trouble. Moreover, even if you tell others, no one will believe that the weak Mrs. Gu had beaten you up.

"The Xia family pushed you out to take the blame and never planned on saving you. Since Xia Cheng is so heartless, why don't you collaborate with us and write down everything you know?"

Hope reignited in Butler Liu's eyes. Then, he heard Song Shijing ask, "Who's Xia Yunlou? Where's the real Xia Yunlou? And why did they destroy Madam Xia Yunqiu's belongings?"

Song Shijing was interrogating Butler Liu while Gu Zheng sat on the sofa with his eyes closed. Qiao Xi leaned against him weakly and glanced at him guiltily.

She stared at the man for a long time. She thought that he was probably tired and had already fallen asleep, so she wanted to run away. After all, she had yet to investigate the Medical Association. Those people were still waiting for her!

Qiao Xi had just stood up and carefully walked toward the door.

"Mrs. Gu." The man's cold and smiling voice sounded, and her body suddenly froze.

At this moment, Gu Zheng's eyes were clear without a trace of sleepiness. As he looked at Qiao Xi, who was tiptoeing, he thought he was looking at a little rabbit that wanted to escape. His voice was low and hoarse. "Mrs. Gu, shouldn't you explain why you're in Blue Dream Pavilion? This is a place to drink and have fun. What are you doing here?"