

## Lady Gu 1111

### Chapter 1111: Beauty Is In The Eye Of The Beholder

Song Shijing fell silent again. In fact, he really wanted to ask the president if he was sure that the Lu family had bullied Young Madam and that was why she attacked. Was it possible that Young Madam had heard about the Lu family's plan and wanted to take the initiative?

Could it be that in the president's eyes, Young Madam was really weak and kind? Did she only know how to resist when she was bullied? However, in his eyes, Young Madam had never been a weak little flower. To be able to know the Lu family's scheme in advance, drug Chairman Lu, and even kill the Lu family's plan was not something a weak woman could do.

However, Song Shijing did not dare to say it in front of Gu Zheng. He could only say tactfully, "President, beauty is in the eye of the beholder!"

At this moment, Qiao Xi was already very full in the private room, but she still could not help but take a few more bites. After all, it was very rare for her to eat so many of her favorite dishes. She was slightly unable to control herself.

However, she did not understand why Gu Zheng looked a little angry just now. How did he know that she had drugged Old Master Lu?

Previously, when Lu Muxue framed her, she had sent people from Ling Pavilion to follow Lu Muxue. She even sent people to infiltrate the Lu family and found out about the Lu family's plan. Apart from using public opinion to frame Gu Zheng, Old Master Lu also decided to expel Gu Zheng from the Lu family next month on the grounds that Gu Zheng was an unfilial grandson who angered him to the point of falling sick because of the shares.

When she knew that Old Master Lu was going to pretend to be sick, she thought that she might as well go all out and poison Old Master Lu to prevent him from pretending to be sick. Now that he was really unconscious, there was no need for him to pretend anymore. However, she did not expect that Gu Zheng would still notice it even though she had done it so secretly.

Qiao Xi's face was filled with helplessness. She should do a better job in the future and not let Gu Zheng discover her. Otherwise, her image as a weak woman would be ruined.

Seeing that Gu Zheng was not back yet but she was already full, she planned to go out to digest her food. Unexpectedly, as soon as she pushed the door open, she bumped into someone she did not want to see.

Lu Yan stood at the door with an ugly expression. "Miss Qiao, can we talk?"

When Qiao Xi saw that the person standing at the door was Lu Yan, she was instantly agitated. She was just about to mock him when she suddenly choked on her saliva. The spicy taste in her mouth filled her mouth, and tears instantly flowed down.

Lu Yan instantly choked. "... Why was she crying? Was she acting again?"

On the other hand, Gu Yao was representing Gu Corporation's branch company to discuss a collaboration with a few entrepreneurs. Gu Yao invited the people there for a meal together, and those people were also very polite to Gu Yao. However, when everyone was walking toward the private room, Gu Yao suddenly stopped in his tracks, and his body stiffened.

Everyone followed his gaze and saw that the stunning Mrs. Gu's eyes were red and tears were streaming down her face. She was covering her mouth as if she was suppressing her tears.

At this moment, the person standing in front of her was... Lu Yan! The Lu family had just slandered President Gu and Mrs. Gu. What did Lu Yan say in front of Mrs. Gu that made her so sad?

This man was actually bullying a weak woman!

The scene in front of them made everyone have different expressions. They all looked at Gu Yao. After all, he was also a member of the Gu family, so only he could deal with this situation.

### **Chapter 1112: Young Master Lu, Are You Threatening Me?**

The anger in Gu Yao's heart surged. He could not suppress the anger in his heart anymore and quickened his pace. However, when he approached, he heard a cold female voice, "What right do Young Master Lu and Madam Lu have to talk to me? I don't want to see you!"

At this moment, although Qiao Xi's eyes were slightly red, her eyes were filled with disdain. When she looked at the two people from the Lu family, it was as if she was looking at a pile of trash. She did not conceal the disgust in her heart in the slightest.

However, her voice was sobbing and there were tears in her eyes. These did not match her disdainful tone at all.

Gu Yao heaved a sigh of relief. As expected, how could Qiao Xi be bullied by the two pieces of trash from the Lu family? Then why was Qiao Xi crying? Could it be that she saw the others and deliberately pretended to cry?

Gu Yao admired her even more. He had to admit that Qiao Xi's methods were really good. It was only right for her to use unusual methods to deal with the Lu family.

Lu Yan's expression was extremely gloomy, but his tone was still gentle. "Miss Qiao, I just want to calmly talk to you. Why are you so resistant? Moreover, what I want to say is about your grandfather. You must be very interested, right?"

The surroundings instantly fell silent, and the air seemed to have frozen.

Gu Yao gasped. He knew very well how important Qiao Xi's grandfather was to her. That was her bottom line.

Why would Lu Yan mention Qiao Xi's grandfather? Could it be that he knew where he was? If he was mentioned, would Qiao Xi go chat with Lu Yan? Then wouldn't she have put on such a show for nothing?

At this moment, Gu Yao's mind was a little chaotic. He was not in a rush to approach her. After all, it was a matter related to Qiao Xi's grandfather. It was better to let her handle it herself.

The next second, Qiao Xi sneered and glanced at Lu Yan with disdain. Her eyes were narrowed and filled with danger. "Young Master Lu, are you threatening me?"

Lu Yan smiled. "I'm not threatening you. I just want to invite you to chat and improve our relationship."

Qiao Xi was about to vomit from disgust. Lu Yan wanted to improve their relationship. In his next life! She would absolutely not like a vicious person like Lu Yan!

She was very sure that Lu Yan did not know that her grandfather was the divine physician. However, he definitely knew that the rumors outside said that Liang Pingchuan's senior was her grandfather. However, her grandfather had more than just this title. He had extraordinary accomplishments in several fields in his life. He had many identities that Lu Yan could not reach in his life.

After a few seconds of silence, Qiao Xi suddenly sneered. "Who do you think you are? I can't even find out anything about Grandpa, yet you can?"

She did not believe that Lu Yan would have such ability. No one around her could find any clues, so how could an idiot like Lu Yan find out? Did he really think she was easy to deceive?

Gu Yao could not help but laugh.

When Lu Yan heard Qiao Xi's words, the smile on his face froze. Even though he had been pretending to be gentle since he was young, he was still unable to suppress the anger in his eyes at this moment.

He suppressed his anger and took a deep breath before slowly saying, "Miss Qiao, I really have something very important to tell you. If you're not interested in Mr. Xiao, then let's talk about my grandfather.

"Actually, my grandfather really fainted. He's already..."

"Lu Yan." Qiao Xi interrupted him mercilessly and chuckled. "Do you think I'm very free? What makes you think I want to talk to you?"

The muscles on Lu Yan's face instantly stiffened, and he could not help but clench his fists.

Qiao Xi swept a cold glance at Lu Yan and Lu Xiang. Her beautiful eyes were filled with coldness and a trace of hatred. It was this group of people from the Lu family who gave Gu Zheng a tragic childhood. He was abused by Huang Lilan and locked in Maple Garden without food or water. Meanwhile, Lu Yan, this fake, was living a luxurious life in the Lu family.

Everything that Lu Yan had originally belonged to Gu Zheng. Now, he was actually shameless enough to want to use the Lu family's power to show off in front of Gu Zheng and snatch everything that Gu Zheng had attained. Was he worthy?

Qiao Xi's heart ached. Even though she had never seen him when he was a kid, she could imagine how Gu Zheng had survived all these years. At that time, when he found out about his background, he dragged his injured body to look for the Lu family to ask for help, but the Lu family rejected him. From that moment onward, the Lu family was already a stranger in his eyes.

The Lu family did not treat Lu Qingyun as family, much less Gu Zheng. They would rather choose Lu Yan, who was not related to them by blood, than accept Gu Zheng. The Lu family did not have a heart at all!

### **Chapter 1113: Apologize To My Sister-in-law!**

Qiao Xi's eyes were cold as she stared at the two of them. Lu Xiang and Lu Yan were both imposters who occupied someone else's family. One was an illegitimate daughter, while the other was a bastard who was even inferior to an illegitimate child. What right did they have to pick on Gu Zheng? Moreover, Gu Zheng was not in the wrong at all. All of this was the Lu family's plan.

Qiao Xi lowered her eyes and shook her wrist. "Lu Yan, my temper isn't too good."

Lu Yan suddenly realized that something was wrong. Immediately after, Qiao Xi raised her fist and attacked him. He dodged in a sorry state, but he was kicked in the leg.

In the past, Lu Yan must have known that Huang Lilan often beat and scolded Gu Zheng. He did not feel guilty at all and even felt happy. Now, he even dared to disgust her. She did not have a good temper like Gu Zheng. She would definitely beat this idiot up!

"Bastard! I haven't hit anyone in a long time. Since you insist on forcing me to do it, then I'll satisfy you!" Qiao Xi flew up and kicked Lu Yan's knee. Lu Yan instantly gritted his teeth in pain.

Gu Yao was shocked!

'Damn! There are others here! How can I hide it for you now? Your image as a weak woman has completely collapsed! Calm down, Qiao Xi!'

Lu Yan's knee was already numb from the pain. It spread to his entire body. He cried out in pain and staggered a few steps before supporting himself against the wall.

Qiao Xi crossed her arms and smiled happily. He was indeed a good-for-nothing. Her kick almost took Lu Yan down. Why was a young man in his 20s so weak?

Back then, when Gu Zheng was only a few years old, he had to endure beatings 10 times more painful than this. Before he returned to the Gu family, he was still wandering outside for many years. Since he was young, Huang Lilan had abused him and treated him as a punching bag. Whenever she was unhappy, he would be beaten up. After that, Huang Lilan brought him back to the Gu family, but she often locked him in the basement and abused him. To him, returning to the Gu family was just a change of environment but he would still be beaten up all the same.

These were all the crimes committed by Lu Yan's biological mother, so Qiao Xi wanted Lu Yan to have a taste of being beaten up today. She wanted him to experience how Gu Zheng struggled in pain in the past!

She had only kicked Lu Yan lightly, but he could not take it anymore. She had even more painful methods!

Qiao Xi took out a needle from her sleeve and held the silver needle between her fingers. She was just about to attack...

“Qiao Xi!” Gu Yao hurriedly stopped her, his face filled with panic.

‘Sister-in-law, look around! There are others around! Why did you attack? If others see this, not only will your weak image be ruined, but the Lu family will also have something on you.’

Gu Yao hurriedly coughed twice and ran over to pull Qiao Xi back. Only then did she realize that Gu Yao was here. Then, she slowly turned around and saw a group of people standing not far away.

Qiao Xi: “!!!” ‘Damn! When did so many people come? Did they see me kick Lu Yan just now?’

Her expression changed drastically, and her eyes were filled with panic. However, her eyes were red, and her voice was filled with tears. She looked pitiful.

Gu Yao shifted his eyes and hurriedly shielded Qiao Xi behind him. He roared at the two of them, “Young Master Lu, Madam Lu! What right do you have to bully my sister-in-law?”

Lu Yan endured the intense pain from his knee, and his forehead was covered in sweat. He had clearly seen a needle between Qiao Xi’s fingers just now. At that instant, a huge fear arose in his heart.

He wanted to escape, but his legs did not seem to listen to him anymore. If Gu Yao had not stopped him and the needle had already pierced into his body, would he have died? That needle might be poisonous!

Was Qiao Xi such a vicious person? Was she still a woman? This kick almost broke his leg. Moreover, he could sense that Qiao Xi did not use her full strength. If she had really used her full strength, he would probably be rolling on the floor in pain now.

Lu Yan’s face was filled with viciousness. Before he could recover from the pain and shock, he heard Gu Yao say, “What right do you have to bully my sister-in-law?!”

Lu Yan’s throat was filled with the smell of blood. They were bullying Qiao Xi? They had never touched Qiao Xi’s finger from the beginning until the end. It was clearly Qiao Xi who kicked him and even wanted to stab him with a needle. Could it be that Gu Yao did not see the needle in Qiao Xi’s hand?

“My sister-in-law is just a weak woman. She’s so gentle, but she was so angry that she kicked you away. What did you say that made her cry from anger?!”

Gu Yao questioned Lu Yan word by word. He wanted to take the initiative and catch Lu Yan off guard. He frowned and ordered, “Apologize to my sister-in-law!”

Lu Yan was so angry that he was about to vomit blood. He felt that his head was about to explode.

#### **Chapter 1114: Is Young Master Lu Really Weak?**

Qiao Xi was thinking about how to explain when she heard Gu Yao’s series of questions. Her eyes instantly widened.

Gu Yao... had also learned to lie through his teeth?

However, after Gu Yao’s roar, the group of onlookers walked over. They originally did not want to interfere in this matter. After all, this was a private matter between the Lu and Gu families. However, Gu

Yao was especially loyal and pure. He had already become friends with these entrepreneurs and young masters. When they saw Gu Yao arguing with the Lu family, they could not stand by and do nothing.

Moreover, everyone knew what had happened today. It was the Lu family's fault. How could they have the cheek to look for trouble with Mrs. Gu?

Immediately after, a gentle-looking middle-aged man walked forward and advised, "Young Master Lu, you're a man. Why can't you sit down and talk calmly? Why make things difficult for a weak woman like Mrs. Gu?"

Lu Yan's heart seemed to be stuffed with a huge rock.

Lu Xiang, who was at the side, was already unable to suppress her anger. They had clearly not said anything, yet Qiao Xi had already started crying. Moreover, she had only said a few words when Qiao Xi kicked Ah Yan. She was clearly pretending to cry to gain sympathy, yet this group of idiots actually believed her.

The flames of rage in Lu Xiang's heart raged crazily. She could not help but roar. "All of you are being deceived by Qiao Xi. She's pretending. She even kicked Ah Yan just now."

"Madam Lu, we have eyes. We saw it for ourselves. If you hadn't bullied her, why would my sister-in-law cry? You said that my sister-in-law kicked Lu Yan, and we did see it, but that's also because of Young Master Lu's nasty words. Even someone as gentle as my sister-in-law won't be able to help but attack him! This is a private room. My sister-in-law was eating when Young Master Lu came over to look for trouble. He took advantage of my brother's absence and bullied Qiao Xi. She's crying from grievance, but you're saying that she's pretending. Aren't you guys going too far?!"

Gu Yao shouted at the top of his voice. He had to be strong and let everyone know that the Lu family was bullying Qiao Xi. He had to make Lu Yan unable to explain himself.

After being reprimanded by him, Lu Xiang was instantly stunned. She really did not dare to believe it. How could Gu Yao and Qiao Xi play the blame game so stubbornly?

Lu Xiang was angered to the point her entire body went numb. She pointed at Qiao Xi and shouted loudly, "Ah Yan didn't say anything, yet she kicked him. All of you saw it just now. Ah Yan almost fell. Don't believe Qiao Xi. She's lying!"

Qiao Xi had an awkward expression. Actually, she really did not use much strength. She just did not expect Lu Yan to be so weak. This could not be blamed on her! She just wanted to teach Lu Yan a lesson, but he...

Hearing Lu Xiang's words, Gu Yao spat on the floor and pointed at Lu Yan as he shouted, "The future heir of the Lu family actually pretended to fall to frame my sister-in-law. Look at my sister-in-law's thin arms and legs. How could she kick Young Master Lu down with one kick?"

Lu Xiang was almost angered to the point of vomiting blood. They were framing Qiao Xi? It was clearly Qiao Xi who was framing them. Ah Yan spoke in such a gentle tone when they were talking, but she suddenly cried. She was deliberately trying to gain sympathy and make everyone believe her!

Lu Xiang was instantly infuriated. "Yes! It's her!"

Gu Yao was a little guilty, but his tone was very firm. "If Qiao Xi can kick Young Master Lu down with one kick, then it just means that Young Master Lu is too weak! Is his kidney weak?! Then he should hurry up and go to the hospital to get himself checked. He's not married yet. What will he do in the future?!"

"If Young Master Lu isn't sick but he was kicked down by Qiao Xi, then you must be deliberately framing her!"

What he meant was that Lu Yan either had a kidney deficiency or was deliberately framing Qiao Xi. There was absolutely no other possibility. No matter which one Lu Yan admitted, it was a humiliation to him.

As soon as he finished speaking, Lu Xiang was about to retort when Gu Yao did not give her a chance at all. He continued to nag, "No way! Young Master Lu, do you really have weak kidneys? Your body isn't good either! Don't always think about how to frame others. It's not good for your health. If you have time, you should train your body more! Even Qiao Xi can kick you down. If my brother were to attack, he'll kick you into the morgue!"

Lu Yan's face alternated between red and white as he gritted his teeth.

Qiao Xi stood at the side and looked at Gu Yao, who was attacking crazily. She could not help but give him a thumbs up.

Actually, Gu Yao was still very nervous after he finished speaking. He knew very well that Qiao Xi only looked weak. Her kick was indeed very lethal, so when he lied in public, he was still a little guilty.

Second Young Master Gu had never lied. At this moment, he felt a little guilty. For the sake of protecting Qiao Xi's weak image, he had really suffered too much.

### **Chapter 1115: What Right Does He Have To Look Down On The Lu Family?**

Qiao Xi whimpered. The spiciness in her mouth was still spreading. Her eyes were filled with tears as she said aggrievedly, "I was just about to leave when Young Master Lu said that he had something to tell me. He said it was about Chairman Lu, but why is he talking to me about this? Why didn't he look for Gu Zheng?"

Everyone looked at Lu Yan suspiciously.

Qiao Xi's voice was soft as she said with a trace of crying, "Actually, I know why. I'm too weak, so Young Master Lu came to look for trouble with me."

Everyone's eyes were filled with disdain.

The gentle uncle's face could not help but darken as he said unhappily, "Young Master Lu, if you have anything to say, you can look for President Gu directly or say it in front of everyone. Mrs. Gu is still young, so she can't handle some things herself."

Lu Yan's heart was dead. After a moment of silence, he took a deep breath and said, "It's fine. Since you don't want to talk to me, I have nothing to say."

Qiao Xi widened her eyes and pretended to be surprised. "Young Master Lu, you made things difficult for me and I even kicked you, but it turns out that you actually have nothing to say. Then please leave quickly."

Originally, Qiao Xi thought that Lu Yan wanted to talk to her about Old Master Lu's illness. After all, she had drugged Old Master Lu, but Lu Yan did not seem to have noticed that something was wrong!

Lu Yan had lost his reputation twice in a day and could not retort. He could only smile and say helplessly, "I'm sorry to have disturbed your rest, Mrs. Gu. We'll be leaving first."

"Wait." Suddenly, a cold male voice sounded.

Gu Zheng held a pot of tea in his hand, his eyes as cold as sharp swords. His sharp gaze landed on Lu Yan. "I'm very interested in what Young Master Lu wanted to say. Tell me."

Everyone looked in the direction of the voice and could not help but gasp. Everyone could sense a chill surrounding Gu Zheng. The surroundings instantly fell silent as if the air had frozen.

Lu Yan's expression was slightly stiff. He originally wanted to use the old master's illness to pressure Gu Zheng. At this moment, Gu Zheng should be surrounded by public opinion. However, after Qiao Xi disrupted the situation, the situation changed. The situation was extremely disadvantageous to the Lu family.

The corners of Gu Zheng's mouth curled up slightly, but the smile did not reach his eyes at all. His deep eyes were filled with disdain as if looking at Lu Yan again would dirty him. He said impatiently, "Young Master Lu, if you don't want to say it, then forget it. Please leave my wife's sight immediately and don't disturb her anymore."

Lu Yan's face was livid. Actually, his grandfather was really sick. The Lu family's doctor said that he would wake up soon. Originally, Lu Corporation planned to force Gu Zheng to give up the 5% of shares and then find a suitable time to announce that his grandfather had woken up. However, after Qiao Xi's commotion, if they rashly announced that his grandfather had woken up, everyone would believe the rumor of Old Master Lu pretending to be sick.

Lu Yan knew that he could not discuss this matter in public, or it would attract more suspicion.

However, at this moment, Lu Xiang was already overwhelmed by anger. Coupled with Gu Zheng's disdainful look that was as if the Lu family was nothing in his eyes, she was instantly angry.

Gu Zheng also had the Lu family's blood flowing in his veins. What right did he have to look down on the Lu family?

Lu Qingyun, that b\*tch, was already dead. Why did she still leave her son in this world? This bastard was even looking at them like that! The Lu family was a century-old family that he could not reach. What right did he have to not take the Lu family seriously?

Anger accumulated layer by layer. Lu Xiang instantly lost her mind. She pointed at Gu Zheng and roared, "My father has been unconscious for so many days, but you, his unfilial son, haven't even visited him. Ah Yan is here to look for you because he wants you to go home with him. But you actually want to chase Ah Yan away. You bastard, you're too heartless!"



Lu Yan frowned and wanted to stop her, but Gu Zheng smiled meaningfully. "So what Young Master Lu wants to say is that Chairman Lu fell sick."

Lu Xiang glared at him fiercely. "What else could it be? Your grandfather has been sick for so many days, yet you're not worried at all. Do you still have a conscience?"

As soon as she finished speaking, Lu Xiang suddenly sensed strange gazes from the surroundings. She noticed Gu Yao's gaze first. The people behind him also looked at her as if they were looking at a fool. At a time like this, she still had the cheek to threaten President Gu with Chairman Lu's illness.

Earlier, President Gu and Mrs. Gu had already made themselves clear outside the meeting room. Everyone knew that the Lu family would do anything for the 5% shares. Was Chairman Lu really sick? Or was he just forcing President Gu to give up the shares?

### **Chapter 1116: Participating In The Ancestral Worship Ceremony**

Hearing Lu Xiang's words, Lu Yan could not help but clench his fists. He knew that saying these words would not do the Lu family any good at all. It would even make everyone doubt the authenticity of his grandfather's illness.

Lu Xiang was really an idiot. She was actually led by the nose so easily!

He was about to stop her when Gu Zheng acted first. He raised an eyebrow and said, "I thought you were talking about the Lu family paying respects to their ancestors."

Lu Yan's heart trembled, and his eyes were filled with horror. He suddenly looked at Lu Xiang, who had the same expression as him. They were both very puzzled as to how Gu Zheng knew about the ancestral worship ceremony.

At this moment, Lu Yan finally knew why he had been uneasy since he saw Gu Zheng. It was because Gu Zheng was too calm and looked confident as if he had everyone in the Lu family in his hands. It turned out that he already knew that the Lu family paying respects to their ancestors.

However, they had only discussed this matter in the Lu family's mansion. Gu Zheng had never stepped into the Lu family's door, so how could he know? Moreover, not many people in the Lu family knew about this. In order to stop Gu Zheng from participating, they deliberately wanted to pay respects to their ancestors in advance.

Those who could attend the ancestral worship ceremony were all descendants of the Lu family. Although Gu Zheng was also a member of the Lu family, Lu Yan did not want him to return to the Lu family. Old Master Lu naturally did not agree to have Gu Zheng attend as well, but now that everyone in Li City knew that Gu Zheng was Old Master Lu's grandson and Lu Qingyun's only son, if they did not invite Gu Zheng to attend, they would definitely be criticized.

After thinking about it, Lu Xiang thought of holding the ceremony in advance. On that day, she would get the descendants of the Lu family to come and would not inform anyone else.

However, they never expected Gu Zheng to know about this and even say it in public.

Lu Yan bit his lip hatefully.

After a moment of silence, Qiao Xi chuckled. "I see! Young Master Lu, why didn't you say so earlier? If you wanted to invite Ah Zheng and me to the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony, you could've just told me! You said so many unimportant things just now. I thought you were here to look for trouble with me!"

When she heard this, Lu Xiang hurriedly retorted in exasperation, "Qiao Xi! You want to participate in the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony? Dream on! It's impossible..."

"Madam Lu, what do you mean?" Qiao Xi had an innocent expression as she asked with tears in her eyes, "Why can't I participate? I'm Ah Zheng's wife. Could it be that you and Young Master Lu didn't come to look for me to invite us to attend the ancestral worship ceremony?"

Lu Xiang had already completely lost her mind. She listened to Qiao Xi's words and roared angrily. "Don't even think about it! You don't have the qualifications to participate in the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony. It's absolutely impossible for Ah Yan and I to invite you and him!"

"Who are you referring to?" Qiao Xi asked softly, "Is the person you're talking about Ah Zheng? Does your Lu family think that Ah Zheng and I aren't worthy of attending the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony?"

Lu Yan felt terrible. He felt his blood pressure rise.

Qiao Xi frowned and had an aggrieved expression. "If Madam Lu doesn't like me, I'm willing to withdraw my participation in the ancestral worship ceremony, but Ah Zheng's mother is the eldest daughter of the Lu family. Why doesn't he have the right to participate?"

Before Lu Xiang could react to Qiao Xi's meaning, she heard Qiao Xi continue to question, "Miss Lu Qingyun is the daughter of the first wife of the Lu family and the legitimate eldest daughter of the Lu family. If even the son she gave birth to isn't qualified to participate, who is?"

Qiao Xi glanced at her indifferently. "Madam Lu, what right do you have to say these things to us? Do you think you're worthy?"

It was no secret that Lu Xiang was an illegitimate daughter. If an illegitimate daughter like her was qualified to attend the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony, why was Gu Zheng not qualified?

An illegitimate daughter wanted to climb over President Gu's head? Who gave her the confidence?

Seeing everyone's burning gazes, Lu Xiang gulped in fear and retorted with difficulty, "But Gu Zheng didn't participate in the competition in the past, so—"

"He didn't participate in it in the past because he was framed to be the illegitimate child of the Gu family. Now that his identity has been proven, everyone knows that he's Miss Lu Qingyun's biological son. There's a paternity test from the Medical Association to prove that. If Gu Zheng isn't worthy of attending the ceremony, then Young Master Lu is even less worthy because he doesn't have a written test report to prove that he's of the Lu family's bloodline!"

Qiao Xi mercilessly interrupted Lu Xiang, then sighed. "I heard that Miss Lu Qingyun only gave birth to one son back then, which was Gu Zheng. Whose child is Lu Yan? What right does the Lu family have to let an unknown person participate but not Gu Zheng?"

### **Chapter 1117: This Was Her And Gu Zheng's Scheme**

Everyone could not help but be stunned when they heard Qiao Xi's words, but they had to admit that Qiao Xi's words made sense.

Miss Lu Qingyun was a talented woman. She started managing the company at a young age. At that time, the company was in good order under her management. The Lu family was also at their peak at that time. After Eldest Miss Lu passed away, the Lu family's business gradually lost its luster. After more than 10 years, President Gu built a new business kingdom. His reputation resounded both domestically and overseas. How similar the mother and son were! They were both so outstanding!

However, from the moment Lu Yan started managing the company, there had been problems one after another. They were not just some small problems either as the sales of the resort villa and new perfumes had caused the Lu family to lose nearly 20 billion yuan. This money was all saved by the Lu family for many years, but Lu Yan had only taken over Lu Corporation for less than a year before he lost all the liquid assets in Lu Corporation's hands. He did not have the slightest bit of Eldest Miss Lu's talent from back then, yet he still had the cheek to say that he was Eldest Miss Lu's son.

Be it in terms of looks or strength, Lu Yan was different from Lu Qingyun, while Gu Zheng was like a replica of Lu Qingyun. It was just that Gu Zheng was more decisive than Lu Qingyun. He was a little more vicious and decisive. However, it was also because of this that he was able to create the current Gu Corporation in just a few years.

From the looks of it, Lu Yan's identity was indeed suspicious. Whose child was he?

Qiao Xi shook her head helplessly. "Ah Zheng, forget it. Since Madam Lu doesn't agree, it means that they don't treat you as a member of the Lu family at all. Previously, they kept saying that they would compensate you and dote on you as a member of the Lu family, but now... Tsk tsk.

"My heart just aches! Miss Lu Qingyun lost her mother and had to live in the shadows of a mistress when she was young. She had to constantly obey others. Ah Zheng has also suffered a lot under Huang Lilan all these years, but Old Madam Lu and Madam Lu Xiang dote on Lu Yan very much. How strange. Could it be..."

"Miss Qiao, watch your words!"

Hearing Qiao Xi's nonsense in public, Lu Yan interrupted her with a gloomy expression. Then, he announced, "I came to look for Mrs. Gu to invite President Gu and Mrs. Gu to attend the ancestral worship ceremony."

The entire venue fell silent.

After a few seconds of silence, Qiao Xi smiled. "But Madam Lu kept saying that I'm not worthy. Did I misunderstand? I guess the Lu family is still willing to let us participate in the end."

The veins on Lu Yan's forehead twitched. Qiao Xi's tone was clearly mocking them!

He suppressed his anger and said, "Mrs. Gu, we don't have any ill intentions. Grandpa fainting has nothing to do with President Gu. We're here today to invite you to pay respects to our ancestors. Let's let bygones be bygones."

"Sure. When will the ceremony be held?" Qiao Xi asked.

Lu Yan could not lie in front of everyone, and there was no need either. "On the third of next month."

Qiao Xi nodded and said with a smile, "Ah Zheng, that's great! The Lu family has invited us to participate in the ancestral worship ceremony!"

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes and looked at her gently. When he looked up again, the gentleness in his eyes suddenly dissipated. He glanced coldly at Lu Yan, seemingly warning but also mocking him.

At this moment, Lu Yan only felt that he had suffered extremely great humiliation. His original plan was supposed to go very smoothly, but Qiao Xi insisted on stepping out to cause trouble. Now, they were even forced to invite Gu Zheng to participate in the ancestral worship ceremony. Those who could participate in the ancestral worship ceremony were all descendants of the Lu family. What right did Gu Zheng have to participate?

Lu Yan gritted his teeth, and he could taste blood in his throat. However, in front of everyone, he had no choice but to smile.

Qiao Xi was extremely happy when she saw Lu Yan's aggrieved appearance.

Before Lu Xiang could react, the situation had turned out like this. She was angered to the point of having a ferocious expression. She looked at Lu Yan unwillingly, then at Qiao Xi.

It was all because of this little b\*tch!

Qiao Xi deliberately cried in front of everyone and revealed the matter of the ancestral worship ceremony in public, causing them to have no choice but to agree. This was all her and Gu Zheng's scheme!

This b\*tch! She still had the cheek to cry? She relied on her seductive face to shed a few tears to gain sympathy, and this group of people really believed the little b\*tch's words. No one believed them.

Lu Xiang's eyes were filled with madness and unwillingness. All these years, she had worked hard to get the chance to attend the ancestral worship ceremony. When she was young, only Lu Qingyun could worship their ancestors. She was the eldest daughter of the first wife and the honor of the family. Everyone knew that the Lu family had a talented daughter, but no one knew that the Lu family had a second daughter.

She was jealous of Lu Qingyun. Why did she have to be an illegitimate daughter who was despised by everyone since she was born while Lu Qingyun got to be the high and mighty eldest daughter?

**Chapter 1118: He's The Most Scheming Man**

Jealousy and anger surged out of Lu Xiang's heart like a tide. Her grandfather had only liked Lu Qingyun since she was young. She and her mother were humble, but she still could not obtain her grandfather's affirmation. Hence, when she was young, she had hoped that Lu Qingyun would die. This way, she would be the only daughter in the Lu family.

After Lu Qingyun died, the Lu family would be hers. Unexpectedly, Lu Qingyun's son returned and wanted to snatch everything away.

Impossible! She would never allow this to happen.

Lu Yan pulled Lu Xiang back and glared at her. Then, he lowered his voice and warned, "Let's go."

"Ah Yan, he can't participate in the ancestral worship. He's not worthy..." Lu Xiang was still unwilling.

"Shut up!" Lu Yan roared angrily and interrupted Lu Xiang. He resisted the urge to flare up and gritted his teeth. "Haven't you embarrassed yourself enough? Let's go!"

Lu Xiang's face was filled with embarrassment, but seeing that Lu Yan was so angry, she could only leave with him dejectedly.

As she watched Lu Yan and Lu Xiang leave in a sorry state, the corners of Qiao Xi's mouth curled up. She grunted coldly in disdain. "Please leave at once!"

Lu Yan stopped in his tracks, and the veins on his forehead popped out. He suppressed his anger and gritted his teeth.

Did Gu Zheng want to participate in the ancestral worship ceremony? Well, he would absolutely not let Gu Zheng have an easy time! At that time, Gu Zheng would come to the Lu family's territory. Was he so confident that nothing would go wrong?

Seeing Lu Yan leave without a word, Gu Yao frowned. "Lu Yan must be holding it in! Maybe he's thinking of another way to deal with Gu Zheng!"

"By the way, is the Lu family holding the ceremony in advance? They probably decided on this because of Old Master Lu! If Old Master Lu has yet to wake up when the ceremony is being held, it'll prove to everyone that Old Master Lu is really unconscious. If he's not sick, how could he not participate in the ancestral worship ceremony? That's a great disrespect! In short, this kid definitely doesn't have good intentions. When Gu Zheng goes, he'll definitely cause trouble again! Lu Yan is too cunning! We have to be careful of him!"

Qiao Xi: "... " Was Gu Yao thinking too much?! Lu Yan probably did not have that many thoughts running through his mind, but after Gu Yao's reminder, Qiao Xi felt that Lu Yan would definitely not be able to take this lying down. He would attack behind the scenes.

At this moment, Gu Yao was still indignant. "I've never seen a man as scheming as Lu Yan. He's full of schemes. He's really scheming!"

Everyone: "???"

Gu Yao was just about to turn around and complain about this to Qiao Xi when he suddenly saw Qiao Xi's fierce expression. She was like a kitten that had exploded. He hurriedly lowered his voice and said, "Qiao Xi! Watch your expression. Your current appearance will contradict your image too much."

As soon as she finished speaking, a noblewoman at the side, Madam Ye, could not help but look over. She suddenly saw Qiao Xi's fierce expression and was momentarily confused. "Mrs. Gu..."

Gu Yao thought that this matter could not be hidden anymore. It was fine if he and Gu Zheng saw it, but if others saw it, they would say that Qiao Xi was deliberately pretending to be weak.

Even in the next second, Qiao Xi's expression did not change. It just gradually returned to normal. She raised her hand weakly and wiped the remaining tears from the corners of her eyes. She smiled weakly at Madam Ye. "Madam Ye, what's wrong?"

Madam Ye even thought that the scene just now was an illusion, but she clearly saw Mrs. Gu's fierce expression. Moreover, she had just kicked Lu Yan. She did not look like a very weak woman at all!

She stared fixedly at the weak Mrs. Gu. She was clearly a petite woman who had been bullied by Lu Yan until she cried. She must have seen it wrong just now.

Mrs. Gu was so weak and kind. How could she hit Lu Yan and even show a fierce expression?

Madam Ye dispelled the doubts in her heart and asked with concern, "Mrs. Gu, are you okay?"

Now, the Ye family and Gu Yao were discussing a collaboration. Madam Ye expressed her goodwill to Qiao Xi firstly to please Gu Yao and Gu Zheng, but it was also because she saw her being bullied by Lu Yan and crying pitifully, so her heart ached for her.

Madam Ye said gently, "President Gu, I think Mrs. Gu is scared. Hurry up and leave with her."

Qiao Xi nodded and sniffed weakly. "Ah Zheng, I was really afraid. I didn't expect Young Master Lu to come looking for me directly. If Ah Yao hadn't come, I don't know what would've happened!

"He even said bad things about you just now, Ah Zheng. Actually, it doesn't matter how much he bullies me, but I can't allow him to say anything about you, Ah Zheng, so I impulsively kicked him. At that time, his gaze seemed to want to kill me. I was so scared that I cried. I'm too much of a coward!"

### **Chapter 1119: He Sympathized With Lu Yan A Little**

Hearing Qiao Xi's confession, Madam Ye's heart ached even more. Lu Yan was really too arrogant. He could not win against Gu Zheng, so he came to make things difficult for Mrs. Gu. What kind of man would make things difficult for a weak woman?!

If Lu Yan was really unconvinced, he could look for Gu Zheng to have a chat with. However, he did not dare to offend Gu Zheng. Even though he knew that Mrs. Gu had a weak character, he chose to make things difficult for her while Gu Zheng was not around. Was such a vile person worthy of being Lu Qingyun's son?

Madam Ye gently bade farewell to Qiao Xi and left with her husband.

When she left, she even complained to her husband, "Lu Yan is too much of a bully!"

Gu Yao knew that he had to discuss a collaboration with them later, so he gestured for everyone to wait for him in the private room. He walked to Qiao Xi's side and asked tentatively, "Q-Qiao Xi, why were you crying just now?"

The corners of Qiao Xi's mouth twitched slightly. She was about to answer when she was interrupted by Gu Yao's agitated voice. His eyes were filled with anger as he asked in shock, "Could it be that Lu Yan really bullied you? This bastard! How dare he?"

Ever since he met Qiao Xi, he had never seen her cry so hard. If she was really wronged, she would take revenge on the spot. However, she actually cried today. Moreover, she did not look like she was pretending. Her eyes were so red. She clearly looked very sad.

Could it be that before he came, Lu Yan had really done something overboard that made the usually strong Qiao Xi unable to help but cry?

Gu Yao felt like there was a huge rock in his heart. He should not have let Lu Yan leave just now. A scumbag like him should be beaten up and sent to the intensive care unit!

"Actually... I choked on some chilies," Qiao Xi said in embarrassment. "I came out to digest my food and find some water to drink, but I accidentally choked. Then Lu Yan happened to appear."

At this moment, Gu Yao's face was filled with confusion. He stood rooted to the ground in a daze and asked in confusion, "Does that mean you cried from the spicy food? It had nothing to do with Lu Yan?"

At this moment, Gu Yao seemed to sympathize with Lu Yan. He had clearly not done anything, yet he was accused of bullying Mrs. Gu. How tragic!

At this moment, in the Lu family's private room, Lu Yan looked at his red and swollen knee, his eyes filled with viciousness.

Lu Xiang, who was at the side, shouted with a ferocious expression, "Those two bastards want to attend the Lu family's ancestral worship ceremony? Are they worthy?"

"If it weren't for that little b\*tch, Qiao Xi, today's plan would've succeeded. This little b\*tch always ruins the Lu family's plans. Sooner or later, I'll..."

Lu Xiang suddenly stopped talking and looked around in a panic. Although they were in a private room, this was Huazhong Building. Perhaps the walls had ears. She only dared to say these words in the Lu family's mansion. She definitely did not want Gu Zheng to catch wind of her saying these things.

She hated Gu Zheng, but at the same time, she was afraid of him. Hence, even though she hated Gu Zheng to the core, she did not dare to say anything too overboard in front of him because she knew that Gu Zheng was a vicious person. If she angered him, the consequences would definitely be unimaginable.

Lu Xiang lowered her voice and said angrily, "They actually mentioned the ancestral worship ceremony in front of everyone. If it wasn't because it would've affected the Lu family's reputation, we definitely wouldn't have agreed to let them participate!"

“Let them attend.” Suddenly, Lu Yan said in a hoarse voice, “It’s just an ancestral worship ceremony. They can come if they want to.”

Lu Xiang’s expression changed drastically, and her face was filled with shock. “Ah Yan! What are you talking about?! Those who can participate in the ancestral worship ceremony are the most outstanding descendants of the Lu family. This represents their status in the Lu family. I’ve worked hard for so many years to get the chance to participate in the ancestral worship ceremony. What right do Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi have to participate?”

Gu Zheng’s influence was huge now. Everyone in Li City knew that if he officially returned to the Lu family and became a descendant of the Lu family, Lu Yan would no longer have a place in the Lu family.

Even though they supported Lu Yan’s rise to power, those shareholders were already dissatisfied with him. If Gu Zheng returned to the Lu family, the shareholders would definitely support the more outstanding heir.

How could Ah Yan not know what she knew? Then why did he agree to let Gu Zheng go home to pay respects to their ancestors?

Lu Yan glanced at Lu Xiang indifferently. Lu Yan did not care about this aunt of his who was a little stupid. They were not even related by blood. He showed a trace of disdain, but his tone was still gentle. “Aunt, we did agree to let him attend the ancestral worship ceremony, but we didn’t agree to let him enter the ancestral hall to pay respects to our ancestors.”

### **Chapter 1120: Crazy Testing Her Bottom Line**

The corners of Lu Yan’s mouth curled up into a cold smile. “Since it’s the Lu family’s door, the Lu family has the right to decide who can enter and who can’t. At that time, if they come but are rejected, won’t it be even more embarrassing?”

Lu Xiang was enlightened and got extremely excited. “Yes! Ah Yan, you’re so smart. The Lu family indeed won’t stop him from attending the ancestral worship ceremony, but an outsider like him won’t be able to enter the ancestral hall!

“Gu Zheng kept saying that he didn’t want to return to the Lu family, but Qiao Xi told everyone about Huang Lilan and almost let everyone know your identity. She’s clearly trying to harm you!

“That bastard is coveting the position of heir of the Lu family. He wants to pull you down and snatch everything that belongs to you. Ah Yan, you can’t give it to him. You have to hold on to it tightly!”

Hearing Lu Xiang’s words, the killing intent in Lu Yan’s eyes spread. He would never allow anyone to snatch his things.

In the eyes of the Lu family, Lu Yan had always been gentle like jade. Now that she saw him with vicious eyes, Lu Xiang could not help but be a little afraid.

Lu Yan glanced at Lu Xiang coldly. He hated Lu Xiang from the bottom of his heart. She was stupid and rash. She was easily blinded by anger and almost ruined the plan.



This stupid woman. Since she wanted to kill Lu Qingyun back then, she should kill that bastard, Gu Zheng, too. Then, no one would trip him up and snatch the position of heir from him.

Lu Yan's eyes narrowed slightly. Since Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi were suspecting that Grandpa was pretending to be sick, then on the day of the ancestral worship ceremony, he wanted everyone to know that Grandpa was really sick and Gu Zheng was spreading rumors.

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On the other hand, Gu Zheng had concluded his last meeting and left Huazhong Building with Qiao Xi.

"Are you really going to the Lu family to pay respects to your ancestors?" Qiao Xi asked casually, "Lu Yan doesn't welcome you!"

Gu Zheng smiled. "He'll welcome me."

"Why?" Qiao Xi asked.

"If I go to attend the ancestral worship ceremony, he'll refuse to let me in. He'll tell me that outsiders can't participate in the ancestral worship ceremony and it's the rule of the Lu family's ancestors. I'll end up losing my reputation there, so who'll end up the happiest?"

Qiao Xi nodded thoughtfully. If that were the case, Lu Yan would definitely be the happiest. If Gu Zheng returned to the Lu family, it would definitely threaten Lu Yan's interests. After all, Gu Zheng was Miss Lu Qingyun's biological son, and Lu Yan's identity was still suspicious. He could not produce strong evidence to prove his identity and say that he was Miss Lu Qingyun's other son. Only the Lu family would believe such a thing.

"Lu Yan pretended to agree to let you go, but he'll get Old Master Lu to appear and refuse to let you enter the ancestral hall by bringing up the rules of the Lu family's ancestors. In that case, the high and mighty president of Gu Corporation would've returned to the Lu family to pay respects to his ancestors but got rejected. It'll be big news.

"Even if the Lu family is wrong in this matter, your reputation and dignity will be ruined in the Lu family's hands if news of it gets out."

Only then did Qiao Xi realize why Lu Yan agreed to let participate so readily. It turned out that he had such intentions!

"Why does Lu Yan like to test my limits?" Qiao Xi clenched her fists. She suddenly felt that the kick she gave Lu Yan today was too light. She should have used a little more force.

Gu Zheng smiled dotingly. "Mrs. Gu, you're a lady. In the future, you're not allowed to hit anyone in front of outsiders. I'll handle everything."

Qiao Xi immediately restrained her expression and looked at Gu Zheng shyly. "Oh, you're so annoying! I was just casually saying it. What can a weak woman like me do to Lu Yan?"

Gu Zheng stroked her hair gently, his eyes shrouded in coldness. "If Lu Yan wants to deal with me, he'll definitely start with Old Master Lu. What do you think, Mrs. Gu?"

Qiao Xi cried out in surprise, then covered her mouth with a shocked expression. "Ah! Lu Yan is really vicious! Even if Old Master Lu is fine, he won't be anymore with Lu Yan's methods. No matter what, he's the grandfather who raised him since he was young! He won't make the old master unconscious for a few more days, right? He's too heartless!"

After she finished speaking, she suddenly revealed a sly smile. "If he wants the old master to be unconscious for a few more days, I can fulfill his request."

Lu Yan had already fallen into the traps she and Gu Zheng laid out so many times. Why was he still so naive? He actually wanted to use Old Master Lu's illness to his advantage. Wasn't he afraid that Old Master Lu would really fall unconscious?

When the two of them arrived at Longwan Residential, Qiao Xi hurriedly went upstairs to call the people from the Medical Association. Unexpectedly, she had just walked halfway when Gu Zheng's cold voice came from behind. "Mrs. Gu."

Qiao Xi stopped in her tracks and turned around to look at him. She heard Gu Zheng say casually, "I have something to ask you."