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Chapter 721: Evidence

Huang Lilan came to Gu Zheng angrily. She did not care about her image at all and roared, "It's you! You asked Shen Ying to seduce your father, right?"

"Gu Zheng, you're my son. How dare you let another woman ruin your parents' relationship? You bastard, are you worthy of being the head of the Gu family?"

Everyone looked at each other. Was Madam Gu crazy?

Huang Lilan knew that her position was in danger. She had to tell them about Gu Zheng's conspiracy to get rid of Shen Ying and tarnish Gu Zheng's reputation. Hence, she shouted even louder, "Gu Zheng! What have I ever done to you?! Why do you have to treat me like this?! How could you let that b*tch Shen Ying seduce your father?!"

Everyone was puzzled. This had happened yesterday. They heard that Shen Ying admired Chairman Gu and Chairman Gu was drunk, so the two of them slept together. What did this have to do with Gu Zheng?

Huang Lilan shouted like a shrew, "Gu Zheng! Answer me!"

After a moment, Gu Zheng slowly looked up and replied calmly, "Madam Gu, you have to have evidence when you speak."

"I... I don't have any evidence. But I'm your mother. I know you. You were the one who did this. You and Shen Ying joined forces to deal with me. You want her to snatch my position as the mistress of the Gu family!"

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Huang Lilan had an arrogant expression on her face. She was Gu Zheng's mother. If she said that Gu Zheng did it, he did it. How could she be lying? It did not matter if Gu Zheng admitted it or not. Anyway, everyone would definitely suspect him.

"Madam Gu." Gu Zheng put down the wine glass in his hand and sneered. "You said that you're my mother. Then why do you think your son would do such a thing?"

Huang Lilan's expression changed. She suddenly thought of Shen Ying's words. Could it be that Gu Zheng already had evidence that they were not mother and son?

Once this secret was exposed, it would be an unprecedented blow to her. She was so nervous that her entire body was trembling, but she still gritted her teeth and said, "Gu Zheng, what do you mean?! I know that you've always blamed me all these years. You look down on me and think that I caused you to become an illegitimate child because I was a mistress! I know that I was wrong. Anyone can scold me and I won't refute it, but you're my son. If not for me, how could you have gotten to where you are today?"

Everyone was in an uproar. They did not expect Gu Zheng to despise his own mother.

Although Huang Lilan was a mistress and was despised by everyone, Gu Zheng had the least right to despise her. If not for Huang Lilan, would Gu Zheng have become the young master of the Gu family? Would he have his current status?

“Madam Gu, it seems that you know very well that it’s wrong to be a mistress, but I remember you saying that true love is priceless. Everyone is qualified to pursue true love!” Qiao Xi mocked.

“Qiao Xi! You have no right to speak here! Even if Ah Zheng and I don’t have a good relationship, I’m still his mother. What right does he have to despise me? I think it’s all because of you, you little s!t!”

“That’s right. Gu Zheng is your son. Of course, he can’t despise you. Even if he’s an illegitimate child and is mocked by everyone, he shouldn’t despise his biological mother because of this.

“But you locked Gu Zheng, who was only six years old then, in the dark Maple Garden. You didn’t give him food or water. You left him to fend for himself in Maple Garden. You even deliberately led Gu Yao astray and made him give up on studying. You made him do all sorts of evil all day long. Would a real mother do these things to destroy her child?” Qiao Xi asked.

Hearing Qiao Xi’s questions, Huang Lilan immediately trembled and hurriedly explained, “It’s not as exaggerated as you say. Diamond can’t be made without being pressured. I did all that for their own good. I was training them!”

Qiao Xi sneered. “Madam Gu might have an excuse to use now. Perhaps as a biological mother, one could do these things for the sake of their children, but you’re not their biological mother!”

As soon as she said that, the crowd fell silent. The air seemed to freeze.

Everyone was dumbfounded. Gu Zheng was not Huang Lilan’s son?

Huang Lilan’s expression changed drastically, and her eyes were filled with panic. She roared, “Qiao Xi! Shut up! What nonsense are you spouting? Ah Zheng is my son! When I brought Ah Zheng back to the Gu family, I even specially found someone from the Medical Association to do a paternity test. Everyone knows that the Medical Association will never lie. Ah Zheng and I are biological mother and son!”

Hearing Huang Lilan mention the Medical Association, the corners of Qiao Xi’s lips curled up.

Chapter 722: Exposing The Gu Family’s Secret In Public

Everyone believed Huang Lilan’s words. The Medical Association was the most authoritative organization in the medical world. They would never lie. Therefore, Huang Lilan and Gu Zheng were mother and son. Even if Gu Zheng did not want to admit it, it was a fact that could not be changed.

Even if Gu Zheng were to take out a paternity test, it would not seem credible. After all, with his current status and power, it was too easy for him to forge a paternity test report.

Qiao Xi smiled. “Madam Gu is right. The evidence presented by the Medical Association is the most credible. They won’t be tempted by money and power unless they step forward and say that they made a mistake.”

Hearing Qiao Xi's words, Huang Lilan's expression softened. An organization as powerful as the Medical Association would definitely not be bribed by Gu Zheng. Moreover, Elder Lin would not ruin his future and reputation over a small matter from many years ago.

"Qiao Xi, you said it yourself. Doesn't that mean that you deliberately slandered me just now? You have to apologize to me immediately!" Huang Lilan ordered.

At this moment, she suddenly felt confident. With Elder Lin's paternity test report from the Medical Association, she would forever be Gu Zheng's mother. If Gu Zheng chased her out of the Gu family or targeted her, he would have to bear a tainted reputation in front of the world. She would also use this identity to forever have a place in high society.

Even if everyone knew that Gu Zheng did not have a good relationship with her, they would not offend her. After all, she was Gu Zheng's biological mother. If others bullied her, it was hard to guarantee that Gu Zheng would not take revenge.

Huang Lilan smiled smugly, then glared at him. "Ah Zheng, you're my biological son. There's no doubt about it. Now, you should explain to me why you conspired with Shen Ying to plot against your father. What exactly do you want to do by letting Shen Ying seduce your father?"

When Gu Weiming heard this, his expression darkened. He cursed Huang Lilan in his heart for being an idiot. How could she say such a thing at a banquet?

If Gu Zheng and Shen Ying had really joined forces to plot against him, where would he put his face as a father? He would definitely be mocked by the entire upper-class society.

At this moment, Gu Zheng slowly stood up. His entire body exuded killing intent, and his eyes were filled with coldness. He was like a god of death from hell, making one tremble in fear.

His voice was filled with coldness as he asked word by word, "Who said I'm your biological son? Does Madam Gu really think I don't have any evidence?"

Boom!!!

The entire place was silent.

Huang Lilan felt as if her heart had been struck hard. Her entire body trembled as she looked at Gu Zheng in disbelief.

No! Impossible! How could he have proof? Even if he had, it must have been forged!

Although Huang Lilan comforted herself over and over again, she could not help but panic. She knew that Gu Zheng never did anything he was not confident in. Now that he had exposed this matter in public, he definitely had evidence.

"I don't believe it! How can you have evidence?! That DNA report was verified by Elder Lin from the Medical Association. How could Elder Lin have faked it?!"

As soon as he said that, an old voice said, "Who says it can't be faked?"

At this moment, an old man was pushed through the door in a wheelchair by a young doctor. He was dressed simply. He looked old and weak, but his face was very familiar.

This was the famous Mr. Lin of the Medical Association. According to seniority, he could be considered an elder of the Medical Association. Unfortunately, he rarely appeared and had been recuperating in his residence. Only those who were especially close to him could invite him to visit them.

Why did Elder Lin come to the Gu family and even say something so baffling?

“The original report was false!”

Elder Lin’s voice was powerful. He repeated it again, making Huang Lilan’s face turn pale.

Lu Yan’s expression darkened. If he knew that Gu Zheng had invited Elder Lin over, he would have stopped him from entering no matter what.

Was this Gu Zheng crazy? He actually wanted to expose the Gu family’s secret in front of everyone?

Old Master Lu and Lu Xiang’s faces were also ashen. They suppressed their anger and said in a low voice, “That bastard Gu Zheng! Is he trying to drag us down with him?”

“The Lu family already has Ah Yan now. Even if he confirms his identity, he can’t change this fact. Our Lu family won’t accept him!”

“He wants the Lu and Gu families to acknowledge his identity and get rid of his infamy of being an illegitimate child, huh? He can dream on!”

Qiao Xi vaguely heard the mutterings of the Lu family and couldn’t help but sneer in her heart.

Chapter 723: Elder Lin’s Testimony

Gu Zheng had long been disappointed in the Lu family. He did not care about the Lu family at all. To him, the Lu family was just an ant. As long as he wanted to, he could get rid of them at any time. He just wanted to restore his identity and make it known that he was Eldest Miss Lu’s son.

The Lu family was really shameless. Did they really think that they held so much weight in Gu Zheng’s heart? Gu Zheng did not care about the dignified Lu family at all!

Lu Yan suppressed the uneasiness in his heart. “Don’t act rashly. Let’s see what Old Master Lin says first. If the matter is really exposed, let Huang Lilan take all the blame herself.”

Lu Xiang hesitated for a moment. “Ah Yan, but she... She’s your mother...”

Lu Yan said coldly, “In this situation, we can only seek protection. We can only choose between her and the Lu family.”

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Lu Xiang also knew that if the matter was exposed, it would implicate the Lu family. They could only choose to abandon Huang Lilan. But no matter what, Huang Lilan was Lu Yan’s mother. He actually pushed his biological mother out to take the blame without hesitation. Moreover, Huang Lilan had done

many bad things all these years. If she fell into Gu Zheng's hands, her outcome would definitely be very tragic.

Unexpectedly, the next second, Lu Yan's words were even more shocking. "If this secret is exposed, we can only get rid of Huang Lilan. Otherwise, Gu Zheng will use my DNA and Huang Lilan's for testing. This is very disadvantageous to me. If the secret isn't exposed, I guarantee that she can still sit in this position."

Lu Xiang widened her eyes as fear arose in her heart. Even though she knew that Lu Yan was doing all this to avoid future troubles, she could not help but sigh at how vicious he was.

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After Elder Lin appeared, Huang Lilan's face turned pale. Her body was trembling violently as she gritted her teeth to stop herself from shouting.

"Madam Huang, back then, I falsified a DNA test report according to your request. After doing such a thing, I received my retribution. I'm already in the late stage of lung cancer and don't have much time left. Before I die, I want to make everything clear.

Huang Lilan's fingernails had already dug into her palms. She had kept this secret for more than 20 years. She did not expect Elder Lin to expose it now.

"No!"

After Huang Lilan screamed weakly, Elder Lin faced Gu Zheng and slowly said under everyone's gazes, "I think President Gu is that child from back then! I've let you down. I... Cough, cough..."

"Elder Lin!" Huang Lilan shouted in horror, "The Medical Association wouldn't have faked things!"

If they revealed what had happened back then, Elder Lin's reputation would be completely ruined. The Medical Association would also be affected. Why should they pay such a huge price for Gu Zheng?

Huang Lilan's body trembled violently as she scrambled in front of Elder Lin and begged in a low voice, "Elder Lin, you have to think carefully. Are you really willing to ruin the reputation you've accumulated for a stranger?"

Elder Lin took a deep breath, then he slowly looked up. "I don't have long to live. This isn't important to me anymore."

"You!" Huang Lilan gritted her teeth in hatred.

Elder Lin's voice was old. "Many years ago, I forged that paternity test report and made President Gu become Madam Huang's son in everyone's eyes. Throughout the years, I knew that President Gu wasn't doing well. I've always felt very guilty. Today, I'll make this matter clear in front of everyone!

"Gu Zheng is not Huang Lilan's child!"

The moment that was said, the entire banquet hall exploded. If Gu Zheng was not Huang Lilan's child, whose child was he?

Huang Lilan roared, "No! You're framing me!"

Old Master Lu's face was livid. He knew that he could not hide this matter and could only accept it helplessly.

Unexpectedly, Elder Lin suddenly looked at Old Master Lu and said meaningfully, "Gu Zheng is Eldest Miss Lu and Chairman Gu's biological son. He's also the legitimate eldest young master of the Gu family. Back then, Eldest Miss Lu asked me to test her and President Gu's DNA. She didn't know that I had already been bribed. Even until her death, she didn't know that Gu Zheng is her child. I've let her down!"

A trace of danger flashed past Old Master Lu's eyes. If he had known that this Elder Lin was a calamity, he would have gotten rid of him back then. That way, the evidence today would've never seen the light of day!

At this moment, everyone finally reacted and could not help but look at the Lu family.

If it was really as Elder Lin had said, that Eldest Miss Lu had asked him to test Gu Zheng's DNA when she was still alive. However, he chose to swap Eldest Miss Lu's and Huang Lilan's DNA for money, causing Gu Zheng to become an illegitimate child. In that case...

Chapter 724: The Members Of The Medical Association Testify

Suddenly, someone exclaimed, "In that case, President Gu is Eldest Miss Lu's child and the Gu family's legitimate child! Then..."

"Who's Lu Yan? Could it be that Lu Yan is Huang Lilan's child?"

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"No! He's spouting nonsense! He was bribed by Gu Zheng!" Huang Lilan never expected that after so many years, Elder Lin would reveal this secret in front of everyone.

Elder Lin ignored Huang Lilan's angry roar and looked at Old Master Lu. "Brother Lu, did you know about this?"

Old Master Lu clenched his fists. Back then, he was the one who spread the news that Lu Yan was Lu Qingyun's son, so Lu Yan had been taken care of by many people all these years.

Now that Elder Lin from the Medical Association was questioning him in public, he could only suppress his uneasiness and answer, "I didn't know, but Qingyun is my most beloved daughter. We must investigate this matter clearly."

Lu Yan looked at Elder Lin with resentment. He did not expect Gu Zheng to invite this person. It seemed that this secret could not be kept anymore. They could only grit their teeth and endure it.

Elder Lin continued, "Perhaps everyone thinks that I helped Madam Huang for money back then, but that's not the case. At that time, I was already a little famous in the medical world and didn't lack money. It's just that Madam Huang saved my wife's life. I really couldn't refuse her request, so I helped Madam Huang forge the paternity test report.

"As a doctor of the Medical Association, I did such a disgraceful thing and caused President Gu to be cursed for more than 20 years. My action also caused him to have a painful childhood."

Amidst everyone's shock, Elder Lin took out the badge that represented the Medical Association. There was a blue gem embedded on the badge, which represented his noble identity. However, he took it off now.

"Nonsense!" Huang Lilan rushed over and shouted, "Gu Zheng is my son! He's an illegitimate child! Lu Yan has nothing to do with me! Lu Yan is Lu Qingyun's son. Don't spout nonsense!"

"This is Gu Zheng's scheme. He despises his identity as an illegitimate child, so he bribed this old man. Gu Zheng is so rich. It's very easy for him to bribe a doctor!"

"Madam Gu, why are you so nervous?" Qiao Xi smiled as she looked at her. "Didn't you say before that the people from the Medical Association won't be bribed, so your paternity test report is true? Now that Elder Lin has appeared, you're saying that the people from the Medical Association have been bribed by Gu Zheng. Why is it that the evidence you take out is definitely true? Do you have evidence that Gu Zheng bribed the doctors?"

Huang Lilan's expression was vicious as she retorted crazily, "You can't believe Elder Lin! Back then, I only asked him for a paternity test because of his reputation. I didn't deceive anyone! Now that Gu Zheng has supreme power, if he wants someone to testify for him, there are a hundred ways for him to do it. He can bribe or threaten Elder Lin!"

As soon as she finished speaking, a dignified male voice came from outside the door. "You don't believe Elder Lin's testimony, but what about ours?"

Then, many people wearing the Medical Association's badges walked in. They were all people Qiao Xi was familiar with, but Qin An was not here.

Qin An was Qiao Xi's elder brother. If he were to testify, there would naturally be people who would make wild guesses. Hence, Qin An did not appear and directly asked the people from the Medical Association to show up.

The leader of the Medical Association was at the front. With a serious expression, he led the members of the Medical Association slowly in front of everyone. "If you don't believe Elder Lin's words, what about the rest of the members of the Medical Association?"

The Lu family frowned. They did not expect the leader of the Medical Association to appear.

All the famous figures of the Medical Association were here. These people could occupy half of the medical world. Their disciples were all over the world. Who would dare to offend them? Most importantly, how could their words be fake?

Huang Lilan gasped. Her vision darkened, and she almost fainted. She still retorted unwillingly, "No! You've all been bribed by Gu Zheng!"

"I already guessed that Madam Huang wouldn't admit it easily, so I brought a video of your conversation with Elder Lin. Back then, it was a member of our Medical Association who made a mistake. Naturally, we'll clarify this matter. The doctors have a clear conscience. We must expose the truth!"

The leader of the Medical Association had a serious gaze as he said word by word, "I'm here as the leader to testify. I swear on the dignity of the Medical Association that everything Elder Lin said is true."

At this moment, whether it was for Gu Zheng or the reputation of the entire Medical Association, they had to investigate this matter and expose the truth to everyone.

Chapter 725: The Truth Is Revealed

"Elder," Qiao Xi called out. "Since Madam Huang isn't willing to admit to this matter, you should just show us the evidence!"

The members of the Medical Association played the video in public. 20 years ago, Huang Lilan ran to Elder Lin's residence and begged bitterly. She even used her life-saving grace to threaten Elder Lin to swap her DNA with Lu Qingyun's to prove that Gu Zheng was her son.

After that, she did the same with Gu Yao.

In the video, Huang Lilan pretended to be pregnant and asked Elder Lin to help her fake it. She even carried a child to pretend that it was hers. That child was Gu Yao.

The scene was clear. The person on it was indeed the young Huang Lilan. She could not deny it.

At this moment, everyone realized that what Elder Lin said was true. In order to repay Huang Lilan's kindness, he forged the paternity test report, causing Gu Zheng to be cursed as an illegitimate child for 20 years.

The moment Gu Zheng was born, he was secretly carried away by Gu Weiming and sent to Huang Lilan's side. After that, Huang Lilan used Gu Zheng to rise to power. She said that Lu Qingyun could not give birth and that she had already helped the Gu family by giving birth to a son. Her actions made Gu Zheng the target of public criticism. He was hated by the Lu family as well.

In the eyes of everyone, Huang Lilan doted on Gu Yao very much. She could not bear to see this child suffer even a little. However, she was secretly helping the wicked. She deliberately led her son astray and made him become an ignorant and incompetent good-for-nothing. If Gu Yao were not smart, his life would have been ruined by Huang Lilan.

Everyone was dumbfounded. Who would have thought that Huang Lilan's two children were not her biological children? This was earth-shattering news!

The child who had always been hated by the Lu family and not liked by the Gu family could only rely on his own ability to climb up step by step. No one knew the heartache and pain behind Gu Zheng's current position. He was supposed to be the eldest young master who enjoyed the love of everyone. He was supposed to be the grandson of the Lu family, but he was tortured by a mistress for 20 years.

"Elder Lin, you forged evidence and tarnished the reputation of the Medical Association. You've also wronged Mr. Gu. I officially announce that you've been expelled from the Medical Association!"

Elder Lin nodded and shed tears of guilt. He stroked the badge lovingly and handed it to the leader reluctantly. He was no longer qualified to be a member of the Medical Association.

Then, Elder Lin looked at Gu Zheng. His voice was filled with guilt. "Mr. Gu, I know that you're rich and definitely don't care about my assets, but I still want to atone for my actions. I've decided to donate all my assets in your name."

Elder Lin sat weakly in the wheelchair. The stone that had been weighing on his heart for 20 years was finally lifted. He had finally fulfilled his wish.

At this moment, everyone also understood. It was possible for Gu Zheng to bribe Elder Lin, but it was absolutely impossible for him to bribe the entire Medical Association. Moreover, the guilt in Elder Lin's eyes could not be faked. If it were not for the guilt, why would he donate all his family's wealth and ruin his reputation for Gu Zheng?

"Huang Lilan is too detestable! She was a mistress and even stole Eldest Miss Lu's child, causing Eldest Miss Lu to die with hatred! People like Huang Lilan should die!"

"President Gu is the legitimate young master of the Gu family, but he became an illegitimate child. Huang Lilan even used him as a shield to make the Lu family vent all their resentment on a child!"

"Is such a vicious woman worthy of being the mistress of the Gu family?"

Huang Lilan's body went weak as she fell to the floor. She looked at everyone's faces in horror and trembled in fear.

No! This must be a dream! How could the secret she had hidden for 20 years be discovered?

After losing her identity as Gu Zheng's mother, how was she going to establish herself in the future? How was she going to frame Gu Zheng? And what should Ah Yan do? Without her as his mother, Ah Yan would definitely be in a difficult position!

Before Huang Lilan could retort, someone asked meaningfully, "Now that the matter is clear, doesn't the Lu family have anything to say?"

Everyone's gazes landed on the Lu family. Old Master Lu had always been calm, but his heart could not help but tremble.

Qiao Xi was clearly aware in her heart that although the Lu family pretended not to know, they were actually in cahoots with Huang Lilan. If it were not for the Lu family's help, how could Huang Lilan have easily ascended to the position of Madam Gu?

The atmosphere became extremely awkward. Under everyone's gazes, the Lu family's faces gradually darkened. For the sake of the Lu family's reputation, Old Master Lu could only grit his teeth and answer, "We were deceived by Huang Lilan. Ah Zheng, you've suffered all these years. From now on... you're the Lu family's grandson!"

Chapter 726: Family's Dirty Laundry Can't Be Aired In Public

At this moment, Old Master Lu's face was livid, and his eyes were filled with viciousness as he suppressed the anger in his heart.

After a moment of silence, Gu Zheng sneered and said, "I don't think that's necessary."

Not necessary?

Old Master Lu had confirmed that he was the grandson of the Lu family, but Gu Zheng did not accept it? Perhaps only Gu Zheng had the confidence to reject the Lu family.

The old master gritted his teeth in anger, his face alternating between green and white. "Gu Zheng!"

Lu Xiang went forward and reprimanded, "President Gu, what do you mean by this? Are you blaming the Lu family? I admit that the Lu family's attitude toward you was bad previously, but it was because Huang Lilan lied to us and made us mistakenly think that you killed Eldest Miss Lu. We're also victims. How can you blame us?"

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"Shouldn't we blame all of you?" Qiao Xi raised her eyebrows, then sneered. "Second Miss Lu, are you saying that it's very honorable that your Lu family was deceived?"

"Haha." It was unknown who laughed sarcastically and said, "How could your Lu family be deceived by Huang Lilan when you're rich and powerful? You now acknowledged President Gu's identity, but where were you when he was abused by Huang Lilan? You also mocked him and framed him. All these years, the Lu family might have also tried to assassinate President Gu!"

"The Lu family keeps saying that they care about Eldest Miss Lu, but they don't even know who Eldest Miss Lu Qingyun's child is. Now that you've hurt President Gu, do you think it's possible to make him your grandson?"

Everyone knew about the grudge between the Lu family and Gu Zheng all these years. It was really hard to explain it in a few words. The Lu family had not apologized and directly informed President Gu to become the Lu family's grandson. What right did they have to make such demands?

Seeing this, Huang Lilan collapsed to the floor.

Lu Yan's eyes were filled with disdain. If he had known that this woman was so useless, he would have gotten rid of her as soon as possible. At that time, there would be no evidence and Gu Zheng would not have been able to make a comeback so easily.

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"President Gu is Miss Lu Qingyun's child. Whose child is Lu Yan, then?" someone asked in confusion. Immediately, the expressions of the Lu family changed drastically.

Lu Yan was a talent that the Lu family had nurtured for many years. As long as he became the heir, he would definitely pave the way for the Lu family. Gu Zheng had already completely severed ties with the Lu family. So what if he was Lu Qingyun's child?

Old Master Lu's face was purple from holding it in, and his old face was trembling slightly. However, he still had to maintain his image. He gritted his teeth and said, "Of course, Ah Yan is also Qingyun's child. We already did a paternity test, but we didn't know that Qingyun had another child. These two children are about the same age, so they should be twins! It's just that one of them was secretly taken away by Huang Lilan!"

Everyone looked doubtful, but no one spoke out.

Qiao Xi smiled meaningfully. "So, that's how it is! Old Master Lu, you mean that Lu Yan and Gu Zheng are biological brothers with the same father and mother?! Then we can get them to do a DNA test!"

The moment that was said, a trace of panic flashed past Old Master Lu's eyes. However, he still had to pretend to be calm on the surface. He could not let everyone see through him. He said, "Why bother? Our Lu family believes in doctors. Everyone should just believe in our Lu family."

Then, he pretended to be sad and looked at Gu Zheng. "Ah Zheng, it's been hard on you in the past few years. If you have time in the future, come back to the Lu family more often. Let's forget about the past."

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Gu Zheng smirked and did not even bother to look at him.

"Gu Zheng!" Gu Weiming looked at him angrily. He did not expect him to reveal the Gu family's secret on such an occasion. Everyone said that family scandals should not be made public, but Gu Zheng did not care about the Gu family's reputation at all and exposed this matter.

"Now that you've recovered your identity and gotten rid of your identity as an illegitimate child, why don't you think about Gu Yao? Since he's not my son, there's no need for him to stay in the Gu family anymore!"

After the matter was exposed, Gu Yao was no longer the young master of the Gu family. He had become someone without status.

Unexpectedly, Gu Yao looked up slightly, his eyes filled with mockery. He said coldly, "What does this have to do with you, Father? I'm in charge of the Gu family now!"

The moment that was said, Gu Weiming's expression froze. Then, he trembled in anger.

Gu Zheng glanced at Shen Ying and said casually, "Miss Shen, no... Madam Gu, you have to take good care of Chairman Gu. After all, he's old. I don't know how long he can live."

Chapter 727: Huang Lilan, The Game Is Over!

After Huang Lilan's matter was exposed, Shen Ying naturally became the madam of the Gu family. She straightened her back, her eyes filled with excitement. Now that she had become the mistress of the Gu family, she was no longer the invisible person who relied on others to survive.

Shen Ying held Gu Weiming's arm, her eyes filled with pride.

After the matter was over, everyone left. Huang Lilan was still sitting on the floor. She looked at Lu Yan with pleading eyes, but Lu Yan frowned and looked away. At this moment, he should not have anything to do with Huang Lilan to avoid being suspected.

"Lu Yan." Old Master Lu lowered his voice and reminded him, "You have to calm down. Your identity has not been exposed yet. You have to avoid arousing suspicion. We'll discuss whether we can save her later."

At this moment, everyone was already suspicious of the Lu family. If the Lu family took Huang Lilan away at this time and she suddenly died in the Lu family, it would be equivalent to telling everyone that the Lu family wanted to protect Lu Yan by silencing her.

The farce in the Gu family ended just like that. Gu Zheng was no longer an illegitimate child but the legitimate young master of the Gu family. He was also the person most qualified to be in charge.

When everyone left, they were still discussing in private. "The current situation is that President Gu is unwilling to accept the Lu family, and the Lu family doesn't seem to be sincerely accepting President Gu either. After all, they already have Lu Yan."

"Would President Gu care about the Lu family? With his strength, he could have crushed the Lu family a long time ago!"

"That's indeed the case. President Gu didn't rely on the Gu and Lu families for his current achievements at all. He's a true genius. We should've known long ago that someone who has such thunderous methods can't be an illegitimate child."

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Huang Lilan roared crazily, "Gu Zheng, you're a demon!"

"Gu Yao! I'm so good to you, but you're trying to kill me! I'm your mother. I raised you and doted on you so much, but you're treating me like this!"

"I admit that I abused Gu Zheng, so it's natural for him to hate me! But I've never hit you since you were young. I just didn't raise you right. Do you have to hate me so much?"

Gu Zheng frowned and looked at Song Shiyu impatiently. "Tell her to shut up."

Song Shiyu's heart trembled as he said quickly, "I'll go right away. Second Young Master, don't listen to her nonsense."

Gu Yao walked forward and said softly, "Brother, I want to talk to her alone. Can I?"

Gu Zheng was silent for a moment before nodding. He instructed Song Shiyu to bring Huang Lilan to the guest room and tie her up so that the two of them could talk alone.

When Gu Yao went upstairs, his heart was extremely heavy. He used to think that his parents really loved him and only indulged him because they loved him too much. However, as he gradually grew up and learned the ways of the world, he gradually understood that something was wrong.

Why would a biological mother lead her child to a dead end? If it was her nature as a person, why did she treat Lu Yan differently?

In the guest room, Huang Lilan was tied to a chair with tears streaming down her face. Her lips were pale and dry, but she still opened her mouth and shouted, "Gu Yao! I'm begging you. Can you save me on the account of us being mother and son?"

She knew very well what would happen if she fell into Gu Zheng's hands. Gu Zheng would not kill her immediately but torture her, just like how she tortured Gu Zheng back then.

He would let her have a taste of hunger and the pain of being beaten up. Just the thought of it made her hair stand on end.

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Huang Lilan shouted at the top of her voice, "Gu Yao! You're a kind child. You definitely can't bear to see me die here! Gu Zheng is a demon! He'll kill me. If I stay here, I'll definitely die a horrible death! Please save my life on the account that I've been treating you so well! Save me!"

Smack!

Gu Yao raised his hand and slapped her hard. His eyes were deep, and he exuded a cold aura. It was as if he had suddenly changed into a different person. His voice was extremely cold. "Do you think I'm still as gullible as when I was young?"

"Huang Lilan, the game is over."

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"Ah!!! Gu Yao! You actually hit me!" Huang Lilan's cheek was red and swollen as she roared crazily. She was like a mutated zombie as she opened her bloody mouth.

Gu Yao's eyes were malicious. "Did you actually think I'd save you?"

"You... Aren't you going to save me?" Huang Lilan's voice trembled as if her last hope had been shattered.

Smack!

Gu Yao slapped her again. Blood was already seeping out of the corner of Huang Lilan's mouth.

Chapter 728: Purgatory

Gu Yao said coldly, "I don't care how Gu Zheng wants to deal with you. You owe him too much. You caused Eldest Miss Lu Qingyun's death and ruined Gu Zheng's life. You made him live in the shadows of his childhood. Even if you die, you deserve it! You raised me, but you also harmed me. From now on, we don't owe each other anything!"

"What right do you have to hit me?!" Huang Lilan shouted crazily.

Gu Yao said, "The two slaps were for Qiao Xi."

Huang Lilan was stunned for a few seconds. She looked at him in disbelief and roared angrily. "You actually hit me for Qiao Xi? I'm your mother. Who is she for you to hit me?!"

Gu Yao sneered. "You used Shen Ying and Meng Wan to deal with her and even joined forces with Qiao Rou to set up a car accident. Aren't your actions worth me slapping you twice?"

“At first, I thought that Lu Yan and Qiao Rou were conspiring to kill Gu Zheng and Qiao Xi. Later on, I found out that you contacted Qiao Rou. That watch was given to you by Qiao Rou, and you gave it back to Qiao Rou!”

Huang Lilan’s body trembled. She did not expect her innocent son to know everything.

“Since you wanted to kill Qiao Xi, you thought it was best if you could kill Gu Zheng as well. That way, you can use Qiao Rou to get rid of these two thorns in your side. From then on, the Gu family would belong to Lu Yan! Qiao Xi didn’t come to settle the score with you, but I can’t take this lying down!”

“For her, for this b*tch...” Huang Lilan gasped with difficulty as if she would die the next second.

Gu Yao clenched his fists tightly. He was grateful to Qiao Xi because she saved Gu Zheng. She allowed Gu Zheng to gradually leave his painful memories behind and become a normal human.

It was also because he met Qiao Xi that he was able to realize things in time and not continue to be deceived by Yao Mengqing as her chess piece. He started a new chapter of his life.

“Gu Yao! Hit me! It’s my fault. I can apologize to Qiao Xi now. I’ll kneel down and beg her to forgive me! As long as you can save me, I’ll do anything you ask! You can’t leave me here. Gu Zheng will torture me to death! I don’t want to go to the third floor underground! Save me!”

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Huang Lilan begged bitterly. Her tears and snot mixed together, making her look miserable.

“Third floor underground?”

“That’s hell on earth! The Yao family is gone. Yao Mengqing has been locked up and is getting tortured by Gu Zheng. He’ll lock me up on the third floor too. He’ll use all the torture tools to torture me as though I’m a rat in the basement! I don’t want to!”

“Heh! I already know that there’s such a place in Longwan Residential!” Gu Yao said with a smile. Huang Lilan’s expression froze.

Gu Yao said, “Gu Zheng is my brother. How could I not know what you know? Everything he’s done is right. The people he punished deserved it!”

“The third floor in the underground of Longwan Residential is a place full of dampness, blood, and decay. But so what?”

Huang Lilan slowly looked up at the man in front of her in horror. She did not know that the kind Gu Yao had a vicious side to him. He actually knew about the third floor underground too. He knew that she would be locked in the basement and tortured to death, but he was still unwilling to save her?

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Gu Yao glanced at her red and swollen cheek. “I’ll tell Gu Zheng the truth about the car accident. As for how he deals with you, that’s up to him.”

“No!” Huang Lilan shouted in sorrow. If she was blamed for the car accident, then it was very likely that she would suffer inhumane abuse. It was almost impossible for her to survive.

Gu Yao turned around and was about to leave when he suddenly stopped in his tracks. "Maybe Gu Zheng already knows. Good luck!"

After he left, Song Shiyu brought the bodyguards in and dragged Huang Lilan to the third floor in the underground of Longwan Residential. It was dark and humid there, filled with the smell of blood. It was even more terrifying than Maple Garden back then.

Gu Zheng's green eyes were exceptionally clear in the darkness. He looked around with a deep gaze. This was too similar to Maple Garden back then. It was so dark and humid that it made one unable to breathe.

Qiao Xi was slightly worried. "Do you need me to go with you?"

Back then, Gu Zheng's alternate personality was born from Huang Lilan's torture. Now that Huang Lilan had become a prisoner and Gu Zheng was the master of this basement, he controlled Huang Lilan's life and fate.

Gu Zheng's entire body emitted killing intent, but when Qiao Xi spoke, all of that suddenly vanished. Then, he turned to the woman beside him and smiled. "It's alright. I'm very strong."

Chapter 729: Rose Design

Gu Zheng pushed open the door to the basement and slowly walked down the stairs.

Qiao Xi looked at his back as the door closed, cutting off all sounds. The grudge between them should be resolved by Gu Zheng himself.

After two hours, Gu Zheng pushed the door open and walked out. His body was stained with the smell of blood, and one could see traces of blood on his black suit. He elegantly took out a handkerchief to wipe the blood on his hand.

Then, he sat on the chair and closed his eyes while panting slightly. After a moment, when he opened his eyes again, they had already returned to a faint brown color.

For the past two hours, Qiao Xi had been waiting outside. It was only when Gu Zheng pushed the door open that she heard Huang Lilan's cries. Her painful and crazy roars resounded throughout the entire third floor.

"I won't let her die so easily," Gu Zheng said casually. "This is only one-tenth of what she gave me. She'll have to endure more."

After leaving, Gu Zheng returned to the bedroom and threw away his clothes. He took a shower and changed into a clean set of clothes before the smell of blood gradually dissipated.

This was the first time Gu Zheng had attacked Huang Lilan, and it was also the last time. Because Huang Lilan's blood was too dirty, it was not worth it for him to personally beat her up again. From now on, Huang Lilan would live in pain on the third floor of the underground. She would live a life worse than death. This was the best punishment for her.

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Li City, Situ family's old residence.

The old man, who was over a hundred years old, was still in high spirits as he sat on the main seat and drank tea.

Situ Jian walked forward. "Grandpa, you know about the Gu family's matter, right?! President Gu is indeed a capable person. He actually got someone from the Medical Association to testify for him. He can't be underestimated. Moreover, I heard that the Tang family's daughter brought a fake Thousand Words Life to a birthday banquet and was exposed. Miss Qiao, on the other hand, offered the real thing."

Old Master Situ nodded, his expression unchanged. He had lived for a hundred years. To him, nothing could cause waves in his heart anymore.

Situ Jian continued, "Luo Qing has already sent someone to deliver the designs of the porcelain vase. You can choose your favorite from it. Moreover, Young Master Luo said that the designs were drawn by Miss Qiao."

Old Master Situ slowly opened his eyes due to his surprise. That girl looked to be in her 20s, yet she knew how to design hollow porcelain vases?

It was fine that the people from the Medical Association respected her, but she actually knew how to design porcelain vases?

He smiled. "Let me see it."

The beautiful roses on one of the design drafts made one feel relaxed. Old Master Situ nodded in satisfaction. "The design is not bad. It seems that Miss Qiao like roses a lot?"

"I'm not too sure. Maybe it's because the item her mother left behind is the Heart of Rose, so it's reflected in the design."

"Then let's go with this rose design!"

Old Master Situ pointed at the rose design. This was the first time he had seen someone carve roses on a hollowed-out porcelain vase. However, he did not find it strange at all.

"Yes!" Situ Jian carefully put away the design and was about to leave when he heard the old master say, "Wait."

"That young lady from the Tang family has a bad temper. Go and remind her that the Tang family is a scholarly family. If they're destroyed by a 20-year-old girl, they'll definitely regret it."

Situ Jian: "...". The old master was stubborn but soft-hearted. Actually, his heart ached for Miss Qiao, so he asked him to warn Tang Ruge.

After that, Tang Ruge received a warning from the Situ family. She did not think that this matter was related to Qiao Xi and just thought that the Situ family did not like her actions.

However, they were clearly meddling in other people's affairs! She had not hurt the Situ family's interests! What right did they have to interfere?!

She gritted her teeth as anger burned in her heart. Then, she dialed a number. "Help me find the top hacker!"

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Dark Net.

Mu Ming's younger sister, Mu Ling, had always wanted to compete with Black Tide. However, she kept running into obstacles. Resentment grew in her heart. At that moment, she happened to see a notice. Someone was looking for the top hacker and offering 10 million yuan for the job.

Mu Ling had a look of disdain. "You want to get the top hacker with just 10 million? Mo Yuan and Black Tide won't care about this bit of money!"

Mu Ming smiled and said, "So, you admit that you're not a top hacker but Mo Yuan and Black Tide are?"

Mu Ling was unhappy and rolled her eyes at him. She clicked on the order. "I want to see who the other party is. Why are they looking for a top hacker?"

Chapter 730: The Champion Of Planet Music Festival

Before Mu Ming could stop her, Mu Ling exclaimed, "Oh! This is the Tang family's address! It looks like it's that woman, Tang Ruge! This woman is really a scheming b*tch! She wants to steal an account by the name of 'Fu Sheng' and wants to take all the works from this account to pass them off as hers. She wants everyone to think that she's Fu Sheng.

"I know Fu Sheng. She's an unknown composer. I've even heard her songs! She has always been very low-profile. All her works are posted on a small website. How did Tang Ruge take a liking to her? She's really shameless. She even has the cheek to snatch someone else's works?"

Mu Ming's expression changed. Actually, they were also descendants of the Tang family. His original name was Tang Muming, and his younger sister was Tang Muling. They were originally the young master and mistress of the Tang family, but when they were young, their parents got into a car accident. Their second uncle took away their inheritance and even chased them out of the house, occupying all their assets.

Later on, Mu Ming established the Dark Net by chance and changed his surname. He hid his identity and had nothing to do with the Tang family anymore.

Now that he heard Tang Ruge's name, he felt as if a lifetime had passed.

Mu Ling sneered. "I won't accept such a job! I don't think Mo Yuan and Black Tide will accept it either! Tang Ruge is really too shameless! She's a thief!"

Mu Ming was suddenly curious. He picked up his computer to investigate Fu Sheng's identity and could not help but smile. "Of course, we have to accept it!"

Mu Ling was shocked. "What do you mean?! You want to help Tang Ruge do such a thing? Are you short of 10 million yuan? She's such a pretentious and scheming b*tch. Who knows why she wants to steal Fu Sheng's identity?! Although our Dark Net doesn't have clear rules, we definitely can't do such a wicked thing!"

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Mu Ming pushed the laptop in his hand to Mu Ling and smiled meaningfully. "Take a look first before deciding whether to accept this job."

A person's name appeared in Fu Sheng's account. Back then, when she registered her account, she did not pay much attention to it, so she left behind many clues. With Mu Ming's methods, he could naturally investigate it.

The owner of this account was Qiao Xi.

Mu Ling did not know Qiao Xi, but she was no stranger to the face in that photo. She was stunned for a few seconds, then said in shock, "This... This is Black Tide!"

"So, do you think we should accept it?" Mu Ming raised an eyebrow. "With Black Tide's methods, it's easy for her to deal with Tang Ruge. Moreover, even if she can't handle it, there's still Mo Yuan backing her up. Even if we accept this job, Mo Yuan can still turn the situation around. This way, the Tang family will completely offend Mo Yuan. We'll be taking 10 million from the Tang family for doing absolutely nothing. It's killing two birds with one stone!"

The Tang family's money was their money. It was all their parents' money anyway!

Mu Ling clenched her fists tightly, her eyes filled with anger. "You're right! Of course, I have to accept it!"

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A week later, the winner of Planet Music Festival was announced, and it caused a commotion.

Planet Music Festival was the most prestigious music program in the country. Every champion would eventually become a top figure in the music industry and be admired by everyone. However, the champion this time was actually a nameless junior named Fu Sheng.

After Qiao Xi received Xue Liang's call, she was dumbfounded. She had never participated in Planet Music Festival. Later on, she realized that Xu Anran had taken her work to participate in the competition.

However, Xu Anran's reputation was ruined now. Why didn't she appear to receive the award? Wouldn't it be good to take this opportunity to make a comeback?

She picked up her laptop and quickly typed on the keyboard. Suddenly, she realized that the owner of Fu Sheng's account had become Tang Ruge!

Why was it Tang Ruge?

She typed in the code a few times and suddenly paused. If she was not wrong, this was the work of the leader of the Dark Net, Mu Ming.

Although the two of them were in different hacker organizations, she was still familiar with Mu Ming. Most importantly, there were rules in the hacker world. Before accepting an order, they had to investigate clearly and not harm the interests of another hacker.

After Tang Ruge placed the order, they would naturally investigate the owner of Fu Sheng's account and find out that person's identity. However, Mu Ming still accepted the order and helped Tang Ruge change ownership of account. Why was that?

Not far away, Song Shiyu leaned over to Gu Zheng and said in a low voice, "President, Young Madam seems to be very troubled, but she doesn't have the intention of sharing her problem with you!"