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Chapter 871: You're Fired

"Actually, you don't know anything about music at all. You just want to use Fu Sheng's identity to pursue fame and fortune. You even claim to be the top socialite in the capital. If socialites have no bottom line like you, that's really too sad!"

Wen Lai reprimanded mercilessly. Tang Ruge's face alternated between red and white. She wished she could faint immediately to avoid losing her reputation in front of everyone.

"Madam Wen Lai! How can you say that?!" Madam Tang said unhappily, "Although my daughter isn't the real Fu Sheng, she has good intentions. She did all this for Fu Sheng's sake!"

"Heh! For Fu Sheng's own good? She occupied Fu Sheng's identity and spread rumors to frame her so that she'd be cursed by everyone, but you're saying your daughter did all that for Fu Sheng's own good?"

Wen Lai's gaze suddenly turned sharp. "Xu Da, as a guest presenter of Planet Music Festival, you were actually bewitched by an impostor and even publicized the matter of the zither. Is this what you should do as a senior in the industry?"

Xu Da was embarrassed. How could he have thought that the eldest daughter of the Tang family was an impostor?

When Tang Ruge heard Madam Wen Lai's words, she had a bad feeling. Zither? Rumor? Every word seemed to explain one thing.

"I'm afraid everyone here still doesn't know who the real Fu Sheng is," Wen Lai suddenly said, her eyes filled with a mocking smile. "It's only right for Fu Sheng to bid for the ancient zither. The impostor, Tang Ruge, pretended to be aggrieved and shed a few tears in public, yet countless people stood up for her. Did you accept the Tang family's money or were you bewitched by Tang Ruge? How could you let the real winner of the gold award suffer such grievances?"

Xu Da's legs went weak as they trembled. "I... I didn't."

"Even if you didn't accept the Tang family's money, you're so stupid and can't read people. You're not worthy to be a guest presenter for Planet Music Festival. You're fired!"

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Xu Da's face was pale. He never expected to be fired just because he spoke up for Tang Ruge. The consequences of being fired by Madam Wen Lai were very serious. From now on, he would not be able to step into the music industry again.

Tang Ruge lowered her head and pondered over Wen Lai's words. She could not help but tremble as fear surged in her heart.

“Miss Tang, do you know who the real Fu Sheng is now?” Wen Lai looked at Tang Ruge with eyes full of ridicule. After a moment, she chuckled and turned to look at Qiao Xi. “You’re already standing in front of her, yet you can still casually spout nonsense about Fu Sheng being dead. I’ve learned something today. This capital’s top socialite is an utter disgrace!”

Boom!!!

These words were like a thunderclap that exploded in the surroundings. The gazes of everyone descended onto Qiao Xi, yet Qiao Xi didn’t feel uncomfortable in the slightest. Instead, she raised her eyes indifferently and confidently while releasing her aura.

The entire venue was in an uproar.

“Qiao Xi is actually Fu Sheng? Tang Ruge was so arrogant in front of the main character just now!”

“Tang Ruge pretended to know Fu Sheng and took over her identity. Who knew that the real Fu Sheng was standing in front of her? How laughable!”

Everyone’s mocking words entered Tang Ruge’s ears. Her mind buzzed, and the blood in her body seemed to have frozen. In the end, she collapsed onto the chair.

Qiao Xi was Fu Sheng? Impossible!

The netizens in the live-stream gradually went crazy: [I feel embarrassed for Tang Ruge. She pretended to be Fu Sheng and even pretended in front of the real Fu Sheng.]

[No wonder Qiao Xi could confirm that Tang Ruge was an impostor. Qiao Xi was giving Tang Ruge a chance, but she just refused to admit her mistake and kept lying.]

[Wow! Fu Sheng is too awesome! She’s talented and so beautiful. She’s a thousand times more outstanding than Tang Ruge. How does that woman have the cheek to slander Fu Sheng?!]

The live-stream was filled with curses. Everyone present could not suppress the anger in their hearts and clamored to chase the Tang family out.

Ever since Tang Dawei became the head of the family, Madam Tang could straighten her back no matter where she went. This was the first time she was so embarrassed after so many years. She wished she could find a hole to hide in.

Wen Lai looked at Tang Ruge in disgust. “Miss Tang, you’re really shameless. Are you still unwilling to leave at a time like this?”

“I... I...” Tang Ruge’s body trembled violently as tears trickled down her face. She stammered, “I always thought that Fu Sheng had already passed away. I just couldn’t bear to see her songs be buried like that, so... I pretended to be her to participate in the competition. I didn’t know that Qiao Xi was Fu Sheng at all.

Chapter 872: Scandal Exposed

“You don’t know?” Qiao Xi grunted coldly. Her crescent-shaped eyes were curved as she was smiling, yet they were filled with disdain.

Tang Ruge shouted in a panic, "I really didn't know!"

Qiao Xi could not help but sneer when she saw Tang Ruge's disheveled appearance. Tang Ruge indeed did not know that she was Fu Sheng, but it was a fact that Tang Ruge had sent people to kidnap her.

Wen Lai snorted. "Everyone should be very curious as to why Fu Sheng didn't appear despite knowing that someone was pretending to be her."

Everyone was indeed very curious. Why didn't Qiao Xi testify against Tang Ruge before this but chose to appear on the day of the award ceremony? Could it be that she wanted to embarrass Tang Ruge in public?

"Because Fu Sheng was kidnapped. She was just rescued by the police and immediately rushed over. Of course, she didn't have time to stand up and retort Tang Ruge before this. If the Tang family really didn't know who Fu Sheng was, why did they kidnap Qiao Xi?"

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Kidnapped? Everyone gasped!

It was already crossing the line for Tang Ruge to pretend to be Fu Sheng and use Xu Da to slander Qiao Xi, yet she actually kidnapped Fu Sheng?

Everyone's gaze landed on Tang Ruge. She lowered her head guiltily and bit her lip. She was about to lose her mind and could only shout in panic and helplessness, "It wasn't me! I didn't kidnap her!"

Madam Tang stood up abruptly. "Madam Wen Lai! You need evidence to back up your claims. Yes, Ruge was careless and took over Fu Sheng's identity. But you can't say that our Ruge kidnapped her."

At this moment, the corners of Mu Ming's mouth curled up slightly. The next second, a piece of shocking news broke on the internet.

[Major human trafficking case has been solved. A total of 60 victims were rescued and more than 20 people were arrested. The rest of the people involved are still being pursued.]

Dark Net and Stars had worked together on this case. The top hackers in the country helped the police with the investigation. In a few hours, they found clues about the other missing people and had already gone to save the victims.

At the same time, the police also found out that some noble families were involved in the case. They learned that these noble families were closely related to the Tang family. In just a few hours, the Tang family's mansion was brought under police control. At this moment, the banquet hall for the award ceremony was also surrounded by police.

The reporters' phones rang one after another. After seeing this news, everyone's expressions changed. They looked at the Tang family with hatred in their eyes. The noblewomen and daughters who were close to Madam Tang hurriedly took a few steps back, afraid that they would be implicated by the Tang family.

This news caused the atmosphere to turn cold. After a long time, a female reporter took a deep breath and muttered, "The reason Miss Fu Sheng didn't stop the award ceremony earlier was that she was kidnapped by the Tang family!"

"Tang Ruge knew long ago that Qiao Xi was Fu Sheng. She was afraid that Qiao Xi would expose her, so she sent someone to kidnap Qiao Xi in an attempt to ruin Qiao Xi's life. This way, no one would know the truth. That way, Tang Ruge, the imposter, could rightfully replace Fu Sheng!"

"Qiao Xi is the chief designer, Gu Shan, but the Tang family still dared to send people to kidnap her. What if she were just an ordinary girl? Would she never have had the chance to make a comeback? Would she only have been at the mercy of the Tang family? I really can't imagine how many bad things the Tang family has done!"

Everyone's eyes burned with anger. They could no longer care about their rationality. They casually picked up the things beside them and threw them at the Tang family.

Rather than calling it a kidnapping, it would be more accurate to say that it was a long-term planned human trafficking business. In order to earn money, the Tang family gave up their humanity. They even thought that their actions were right.

Tang Ruge's face was pale. She broke her nails from clenching her fists too hard, and her mind was heavy. A cup was smashed onto her head, making her look ferocious. "Ah!!! Who hit me? Who dares to hit me? Security! Quickly arrest these lunatics! Turn off the live broadcast!"

She could not ruin her image as a gentle and kind person for so many years. As long as the live broadcast stopped, she would still have a chance. Grandpa would spend a large sum of money to settle this matter. Soon, everyone would forget about this scandal.

"Stop filming! Get lost!" She covered her face in horror, her eyes filled with panic. Her hair was messy, and she looked like a lunatic.

Tang Ruge abruptly raised her eyes and looked fiercely at Qiao Xi. It was all because of this b*tch. If it were not for her, she would not have fallen into this state. As long as Qiao Xi died, everything would be the same as before.

Chapter 873: Collapse

At this moment, Tang Ruge had already gone mad. She suddenly ran over and pounced on Qiao Xi. The security guards were shocked and hurriedly went forward to stop her.

The originally gorgeous and solemn banquet hall was in chaos at this moment. Tang Ruge removed her mask as a noble daughter and hit the security guards in front of her. She cursed, "You bastards, let go of me!"

"Miss Tang, let me remind you that this is being broadcasted live!" Qiao Xi looked at her with a smile, then waved her hand to signal the security guards to let go of her.

Without the obstruction of the security guards, Tang Ruge rushed over without hesitation. Just as she was about to approach Qiao Xi, Qiao Xi suddenly grabbed her wrist. That strength was simply not something a woman should have.

“Miss Tang, do you still think that the Tang family can protect you? The Tang family can only protect you if the Tang family is still around. However, the Tang family is completely doomed now.”

Qiao Xi exerted a little force with her hand, and Tang Ruge cried out in pain as she struggled weakly.

Madam Tang hurriedly rushed over and shouted, “Qiao Xi, let go of her! Didn’t you hear that she’s in pain?”

“Heh, can’t you even endure this little bit of pain?” Qiao Xi held Tang Ruge’s hand even tighter. Madam Tang could even hear the sound of bones grinding against each other.

Looking at Tang Ruge’s painful and ferocious face, Qiao Xi slowly said in an extremely cold voice, “Madam Tang, your heart aches for your own daughter, but have you ever considered that those women who were trafficked and abused by the Tang family are also the daughters of other people?! Do you know how much they dote on them?!”

Qiao Xi’s eyes were filled with rage. The sound of bones breaking was transmitted through the microphone on the stage, then Tang Ruge’s wrist twisted in a strange posture.

Tang Ruge was stunned on the spot as she stared fixedly at her wrist. A sharp pain assaulted her, and her face was pale as paper. Then, she said, “Ah! Ah! My hand! Qiao Xi!”

Hearing Tang Ruge’s roar, Madam Tang disregarded her image as a noblewoman and rushed in front of Qiao Xi like a madwoman. “Qiao Xi! Are you crazy? Why are you doing this to Ruge?! Let go of her!”

Even though Tang Ruge’s wrist was already broken, Qiao Xi still did not let go. Her gaze was sharp as she quietly looked at the crazy mother and daughter. Her thin lips parted slightly. “Your heart aches for Tang Ruge, but the parents of those kidnapped women and children also feel sorry for them. You’re all parents. Have you never thought about the feelings of others?”

Madam Tang looked at the tearful Tang Ruge and lost her mind. She roared angrily, “What do their lives have to do with me?! Let go of my daughter! You b*tch!”

Qiao Xi lowered her eyes, and a trace of coldness burst out of her eyes. “Even at this time, you still don’t have the slightest intention of repenting?”

Madam Tang met Qiao Xi’s eyes, and her eyes gradually turned red. Her body seemed to be out of control as the words in her heart were instantly blurted out, “Don’t make it sound so nasty. We’re not selling people. This is just to satisfy the needs of some parties. If some people can’t conceive, we’ll sell them a child. If some people need a woman, we’ll sell them a woman. This is the best of both worlds! I’m doing this to let those women realize their value. In any case, they’ll have to get married and have children in the future. Isn’t this a good arrangement for all?”

“And you, Qiao Xi. You’re so good-looking, and you only know how to seduce men. If it weren’t for you, Ruge would have married Gu Zheng a long time ago. She would have long become the top socialite in high society. What right do you have to block Ruge’s way? You should just die!”

Everyone did not expect Madam Tang to not have any regrets at all. Instead, she thought that it was reasonable for her to kidnap women and children. It was simply shocking.

[What kind of bullsh*t scholarly family is this?! Previously, I thought that Tang Ruge was gentle, polite, and knowledgeable. Now, it seems that the Tang family has just been disguising themselves too well. They've deceived all of us!]

[Tang Ruge isn't good-looking, so all women who are better-looking than her should die? Is everyone who blocks Tang Ruge's way going to be kidnapped, then?]

Qiao Xi was expressionless, but her eyes were filled with anger. She let go of Tang Ruge's wrist and strangled her throat instead. "Madam Tang, if you like to do good deeds so much, why don't you sell Tang Ruge? Let her realize her value!"

Madam Tang retorted without hesitation, "My daughter is the most outstanding woman in the world. She's the top socialite in the capital. She'll marry the most powerful and rich man. She's also the future head of the Tang family. How can she be like you b*tches?!"

Chapter 874: Even A Ferocious Tiger Doesn't Eat Its Children

Tang Ruge's lips trembled. She wanted to say something but could not. How could her mother be so rash as to say what was on her mind?!

Everyone below the stage was furious. "You keep saying that human trafficking is a good thing, but you're unwilling to let Tang Ruge go. A scourge like her should be sent as far away as possible, lest she harms Li City!"

These angry roars scared Madam Tang so much that her legs went weak. She broke down and shouted, "No! I can't send my daughter away! She doesn't belong in that dirty place. I sent other women there to train! It's for their own good!"

Qiao Xi's entire body emitted killing intent. This was the first time she revealed her killing intent in front of everyone.

For the sake of reaping benefits, the Tang family kidnapped women and children, bringing them to a desolate place. They abused, beat, and insulted the victims. That abandoned warehouse had destroyed many women in their prime and taken away many lives. Even now, the Tang family did not feel guilty at all. They even thought that they were doing good deeds.

[The Tang family is simply crazy. The internet says that Tang Dawei's brother and sister-in-law who died in a car accident seven years ago were killed by the Tang family because they were unwilling to cooperate with Old Master Tang in the human trafficking business.]

[That's Old Master Tang's biological son! He actually steeled his heart to kill his own son? Are the Tang family members even worthy of being humans at this point? They're simply demons! Even a vicious tiger won't eat its cubs. In order to earn money, the old master actually killed his own son. Such a person is actually still alive?]

[14 years ago, Tang Yan realized that Old Master Tang was doing illegal business. However, at that time, he did not know what Old Master Tang was doing. Later on, he accidentally heard Old Master Tang on a

call and found out what they were doing behind the scenes. From then on, Tang Yan began to stop Old Master Tang from taking action. In the end, Old Master Tang killed his biological son.

[After Tang Yan and his wife died, Old Master Tang even chased away their children and made Tang Da the heir of the Tang family. The couple listened to Old Master Tang very well and continued the human trafficking business with him. They also gave birth to a daughter like Tang Ruge who's as vicious as a snake!]

Someone posted the details of the matter online. At this moment, everyone looked at the Tang family as if they were looking at a pile of smelly trash. Everyone understood why Qiao Xi was so triggered.

[Miss Fu Sheng was also kidnapped by the Tang family. She must have seen the women and children who were kidnapped. That's why she got so angry and strangled Tang Ruge.]

Someone in the banquet hall suddenly shouted in horror, "Miss Fu Sheng, Tang Ruge is about to die! Let go!"

Qiao Xi came back to her senses. Tang Ruge's face was already purple, and she could not help but stick out her tongue. Qiao Xi loosened her grip a little, and Tang Ruge immediately gasped crazily.

However, the moment Qiao Xi closed her eyes, her mind was filled with the helpless cries of those women and children who were covered in injuries. Their clothes were tattered and covered in blood. Their wounds were already slightly festering. They were all hiding in the dark, their eyes filled with horror.

She did not know that there was such a dark place in this world, but it did exist and she could not get it out of her mind.

Suddenly, Qiao Xi's wrist tightened. Tang Ruge suddenly stopped breathing and struggled with both hands.

Qiao Xi's eyes were bloodshot as hatred filled her mind, causing her to gradually lose her mind. There was only one thought in her mind, and that was to kill Tang Ruge.

"Xi Xi, calm down."

Suddenly, a cold male voice came from behind her. Then, a pair of warm hands covered her eyes and stroked her gently. The other hand went past her waist and pulled her into his embrace.

Gu Zheng's gentle voice caused Qiao Xi to gradually recover her rationality. He gently pulled away Qiao Xi's hand that was grabbing Tang Ruge's throat and whispered in her ear, "Xi Xi, the Tang family will receive the punishment they deserve. You don't have to dirty your hands."

Qiao Xi's blood-red eyes gradually recovered their clarity. She blinked and slowly turned around after a moment. She looked at the handsome man in front of her and nodded.

At this moment, Tang Ruge was holding her neck and panting heavily. Her body could not help but tremble. For a moment, she almost thought that she was about to die.

The Tang family was destroyed, and no one could protect her anymore. She fell to the floor, her body limp. She had no strength at all as if she had already become a corpse.

Chapter 875: Getting Rid Of Evil For The People

Tang Ruge closed her eyes and found it hard to believe. What was wrong? Why was the abandoned warehouse discovered as soon as she sent those people to kidnap Qiao Xi?

She had known since she was young that the Tang family was in the business of human trafficking. She also knew that this was a heartless business, but so what? The world was a cruel place. If they did not do this, the Tang family would eventually be replaced by other families.

After calming down for a moment, Tang Ruge abruptly opened her eyes and struggled to get up from the floor. She pointed at Qiao Xi and shouted, "It's you! You harmed our Tang family!"

No wonder she was able to escape. No wonder the Tang family's secret base was suddenly found. This was all Qiao Xi's plan. She deliberately got herself kidnapped with the goal of finding the abandoned warehouse where the women and children were kept.

At this moment, the microphone on the stage had already been cut off. In the noisy environment, Tang Ruge's voice was like a mosquito. No one could hear her at all.

Qiao Xi glanced indifferently at her, and the corners of her mouth curled into a mocking smile.

Tang Ruge gradually went crazy, and her voice trembled. "You demon! You did it on purpose! You knew everything! You lured me to kidnap you!"

Qiao Xi took a few steps toward her and said casually, "So what if I did?"

She admitted it!

Tang Ruge stood up excitedly and shouted, "You weren't kidnapped! You just put on an act! You harmed our Tang family! I'm going to expose you!"

"So?" Qiao Xi's voice was cold. "I did it on purpose. I got Song Shiyu to call the police and brought them to your Tang family's nest. Then, I came to the award ceremony to expose your lies. But all of this... is the truth!

"Your Tang family committed a crime. So what if I did it on purpose? Everything I did was to help the police solve the case. I helped get rid of evil for the people! You'll be an ugly criminal for the rest of your life. You'll never be able to make a comeback!"

Qiao Xi's voice was very soft, and only the two of them could hear her. "Tang Ruge, if your grandfather and parents take all the blame, you can avoid going to jail. But with the Tang family gone, your life from now on won't be any better. Isn't it quite boring to live alone like that?"

Tang Ruge widened her eyes and looked at the woman in front of her in disbelief. Tears of horror fell from the corners of her eyes.

How scary! This woman was too scary!

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Not long after, the Tang family was arrested for investigation. The award ceremony was held as scheduled, but the winner of the gold award went from Tang Ruge to Qiao Xi. Madam Wen Lai personally gave her the award that represented Planet Music Festival's highest honor.

The Tang family's mansion was in a mess now. When the police came in to arrest him, Old Master Tang still had fantasies. He resisted arrest in public and even cursed at the police, "You bastards! Do you know who I am? How dare you arrest me?"

"Of course, we know who you are. We're the ones arresting you!" With that, Yuan Shan took out the arrest warrant. "Old Master, we've already obtained the relevant evidence and issued an arrest warrant. I hope you can cooperate with our investigation. Otherwise, we'll take special measures."

The news of the Tang family's arrest quickly spread. This case was very influential, and the mastermind might be executed.

The Tang family's shareholders immediately sold their shares, afraid that they would be implicated by the Tang family.

"Grandpa! Quickly think of a way!" Tang Ruge was uneasy. She grabbed Old Master Tang's sleeve and shouted anxiously.

Old Master Tang's expression darkened. He looked like he had aged a little overnight. "Looks like... I can't avoid it this time. I... can't keep my old life."

If he died, what would happen to the Tang family? What would happen to Ruge?

Old Master Tang held Tang Ruge's hand tightly and reminded her, "Ruge, remember that no matter what happens, you have to insist that you didn't know about this. We'll do our best to protect you. I'll find the best lawyer. I believe you'll be released soon."

Tang Ruge's face was covered in tears. "If the Tang family is gone, what does it matter even if I manage to go out? I'm no longer a socialite in the capital. I'll be looked down on wherever I go. If that's the case, I might as well die!"

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"Tang Ruge!" Tang Dawei roared. They were thinking about how to protect Ruge, but she actually gave up first.

Tang Ruge was shocked by her father's roar and sobbed helplessly. "I... What should I do?!"

Chapter 876: Acquiring Tang Corporation

At this moment, the Tang family was detained in the interrogation room. A pair of siblings came in from outside. The police knew that these two were the children of Tang Yan and his wife. They were chased out of the house by Old Master Tang a few years ago and no one had heard from them again.

The police brought the siblings into the interrogation room. When Madam Tang saw the ferocious look in their eyes, she felt angry and humiliated. At the beginning of the award ceremony, she looked down

on the siblings. They were inferior to even a strand of Ruge's hair. Now, the siblings were standing at the door while her family had become prisoners.

Mu Ming looked down at the Tang family with a mocking smile.

"Who do you think you are? Are you worthy of watching us make a fool of ourselves? Get lost! Even if I die, the Tang family won't fall into your hands!" Old Master Tang roared angrily.

Looking at the exasperated old master, the smile on Mu Ming's face grew wider. He was silent for a few seconds before saying coldly, "Then I'm really sorry. You're not dead yet, but the Tang family has already fallen into our hands."

"You bastard! What nonsense are you talking about?!"

Mu Ming raised an eyebrow, then took out a few contracts from his bag and threw them in front of Old Master Tang. "You'll know whether I'm spouting nonsense or not after you take a look."

Old Master Tang's heart skipped a beat. His hands trembled as he picked up the contract on the floor. He instantly glared at Tang Muming. The Tang family's shares had been bought over by Tang Muming!

"Old Master, after your family's incident, the shareholders sold all their shares at a low price. The shares in your hands have also been converted into cash to compensate the victims, so I took all the shares back. I've taken back what originally belonged to us siblings."

Old Master Tang looked at the man in front of him in a daze. In his memory, his eldest son's family was old-fashioned and boring. They were inflexible. They were not as likable as his second son's family. His eldest son's children were also like their parents, always pulling long faces. However, Mu Ming was smiling now.

"I know you plan to take all the blame and do your best to protect Tang Ruge. As long as she's safe and sound, the Tang family will still have a chance to make a comeback."

Old Master Tang had a bad feeling.

"But do you think Tang Ruge has the ability?" Mu Ming sneered. He was playing with a piece of porcelain in his hand. It was the token that represented his identity as the head of the Tang family.

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The Tang family became rich through the porcelain business and later became one of the four major families. Hence, they used porcelain to make the token. Now, the token that symbolized the status of the head of the family was in Mu Ming's hands.

Old Master Tang widened his eyes. He never expected that the two little bastards who were chased out of the house seven years ago would actually come back. They even stole the company and token that he treated as his life. However, they were clearly living on the streets and did not even have enough to eat. It was impossible for them to have this ability!

"Old Master, you should be very curious about where we got the money to acquire the Tang family's shares and how we obtained the token. You must think it should be impossible, but we did it easily."

Tang Ruge, who was at the side, was crying. "Cousin, we're related by blood. Can you bear to see us suffer here? Even if you don't care about us, you have to care about our family relations!"

"Shut up!" Mu Ming berated coldly, then his gaze landed on Old Master Tang. "Just as you thought, when we were chased away seven years ago, Mu Ling and I were wandering the streets. We didn't have enough to eat, we had no clothes, and we couldn't even keep warm. We didn't have the money to go to university at all.

"You thought that if we were chased out of the Tang family, even if we were lucky enough to survive, we'd just fight to fill our stomachs and get warm. We definitely wouldn't be successful. However, Mu Ling and I are not as useless as Tang Ruge. The more difficult the environment is, the more it can arouse our fighting spirit. Since we wanted to escape the predicament, we knew we had to work hard."

As soon as she finished speaking, Tang Ruge's face turned livid. She had suffered a great insult.

Mu Ming smiled. "Mu Ling and I have always liked computers since we were young. Our parents also nurtured our ability in this aspect. After we left the Tang family, not only did we not starve to death, but we even earned a huge amount of wealth that allowed us to acquire the Tang family! I forgot to tell you that you even helped take care of our business and gave us a large sum of money!"

At this moment, Mu Ling could not help but laugh out loud. "Yes! You were really willing to spend money for Tang Ruge. You gave her tens of millions just like that!"

Hearing the siblings' words, Tang Ruge suddenly realized something. The blood in her body froze as she widened her eyes in disbelief.

Chapter 877: Karma

"Miss Tang, you probably haven't been able to figure it out. You found a top hacker to change Fu Sheng's account information, but you didn't even tell your parents about it. How did Qiao Xi know about it, then?"

After Mu Ming finished speaking, he looked at Old Master Tang. "It's not just Tang Ruge. The entire Tang family relies on a hacker organization. In the past, the hacker organization helped the Tang family cover up many scandals, so Tang Ruge got the same hacker organization to modify Fu Sheng's account information. After the human trafficking business was exposed and Stars cooperated with the police to investigate the clues, your Tang family reached out to the hacker organization again and hoped that they could help. They accepted the money and agreed to your request, but why were the Tang family still arrested?"

Everyone in the Tang family instantly felt as if they had fallen into an ice cellar. A terrifying thought appeared in their minds. Old Master Tang's beard trembled violently, his old and turbid eyes becoming bloodshot. His fingers trembled as he pointed at Mu Ming.

"Dark Net... You..."

"That's right," Mu Ming admitted generously. "Every time you encountered trouble, you'd look for Dark Net for help, but you didn't know that I'm the leader of the Dark Net."

The moment that was said, the interrogation room fell silent. Old Master Tang's teeth creaked. The powerful blow almost made him break down.

The leader of the top hacker organization, Dark Net, was actually Mu Ming. This organization was established seven years ago. In other words, this organization was established when they were chased out of the Tang family. How could they have this ability?

Old Master Tang felt dizzy and fell to the floor weakly.

Mu Ming smiled meaningfully. "Thank you for your contributions to Dark Net all these years. If it weren't for you, Mu Ling and I wouldn't have been able to acquire Tang Corporation so quickly. From today onward, Tang Corporation will officially be renamed to Ming Ling Corporation. When your granddaughter, Tang Ruge, is released, she can personally see how we manage the company!"

As soon as he finished speaking, Mu Ming pulled Mu Ling away. Old Master Tang clenched his fists tightly. Fear and anger intertwined within him. Tang Corporation was his life's work. How could it fall into the hands of this pair of siblings?!

In the past seven years, Old Master Tang had even forgotten about the existence of the siblings. He never expected them to have their current achievements. They even endured for seven years before completely overturning the Tang family.

Old Master Tang suddenly got up and grabbed Tang Ruge's sleeve tightly. His voice trembled. "Ruge! When you get out, you must beg your cousins for forgiveness! Don't go against them!"

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Tang Ruge sat at the side in a daze. Her mind was filled with chaotic thoughts. She was supposed to beg Mu Ming and Mu Ling? She was the eldest daughter of the Tang family and the top socialite in the capital. Why did she have to beg the siblings who were chased out of the house? She would never beg anyone!

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Seeing that Tang Ruge was silent, Old Master Tang cursed. Tang Ruge, who was already unwilling, completely broke down. She had nothing left. Now, she could not even protect her last dignity.

The blood in her body surged as she shouted crazily, "I won't do it! You were the one who chased them out of the house back then. You were also the one who killed their parents. It's all your fault that the Tang family is in this state now. Why should I ask for anything from them?"

Old Master Tang looked at Tang Ruge with his mouth agape. It was hard to imagine that the granddaughter he had doted on for more than 20 years would speak to him like this. The anger in his heart burned fiercely. Suddenly, his body stiffened and he fainted.

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Three days later, Tang Corporation completely disappeared. Mu Ming and Mu Ling were in charge of the company, and the employees were changed.

When Qiao Xi found out about this, Old Master Tang had already been sent to the hospital for emergency treatment. In the end, he managed to survive but fell into a vegetative state.

“He was angered to a vegetative state by his granddaughter whom he doted on for many years. It’s a bargain for him. He’s done so many bad things that he deserves to be shot to death!” Qiao Xi grunted coldly.

Gu Zheng said casually, “Old Master Tang is as good as dead, and Tang Ruge won’t have a chance to make a comeback. This is retribution!”

Without Old Master Tang’s protection, even if Tang Ruge came out, she would not be Mu Ming’s match at all. In the end, she could only be chased out of the Tang family and fend for herself.

Now that the Tang family’s actions were already made known to the public and Tang Ruge had become the target of everyone’s hatred, her outcome would definitely be very tragic.

Qiao Xi paid no further attention to the news online. She turned around and took out the Nine Heavens Chinese Zither. Suddenly, she received a notification on her phone: [Major human trafficking case has been solved. The people involved have been trafficking humans for more than 10 years. There are thousands of victims. The police have already rescued 930 people. The other victims are still being tracked.]

Chapter 878: Never Again

[The mastermind, Tang Juncai, fell seriously ill and was hospitalized. He’s now in a vegetative state. The other people involved in the case have been detained. The Tang family might face the death penalty.]

For more than 10 years, the Tang family was involved in a human trafficking business and established a human trafficking den in Li City. Their victims came from all over the country. Such news made one’s heart ache.

Qiao Xi’s tightly furrowed brows eased up. “It’s finally over.”

“Yes, everything is over.”

In the evening, it was snowing outside. The snow seemed to be washing away the sins of this world. Gu Zheng’s voice was cold. “Qiao Xi.”

Qiao Xi raised her eyes and smiled sweetly. The next second, she heard him say with a serious expression, “The Tang family has been arrested, and the victims have been found. It’s time for me to talk to you.”

Qiao Xi: “?” What was there to talk about?

The man’s eyes were deep like a bottomless spring. He bent down and firmly locked Qiao Xi in front of his chest. His voice was low and tempting. “Mrs. Gu, don’t you have anything to say to me?”

“Huh? Say... what?” Qiao Xi was uneasy.

Gu Zheng sneered. "Mrs. Gu, why are you pretending to be muddle-headed? You took such a big risk and didn't tell your husband. If I hadn't realized, would you have gone to that lion's den yourself?"

His voice was very soft and slow, but every word was asked in an interrogating tone. If one listened carefully, one would be able to hear the slight fluctuation in his voice.

Qiao Xi hurriedly said, "I had people from Ling Pavilion protecting me, so it was absolutely impossible for anything to happen. Moreover, even without them, I would have the ability to protect myself. I know hypnosis!"

"I can't allow you to put yourself even in the slightest bit of danger!" Gu Zheng suddenly hugged her waist and pulled her into his embrace. The world spun as the two of them turned around. Qiao Xi's body was completely pressed against Gu Zheng's, and she could clearly hear his violent heartbeat.

The man lowered his eyes and looked into her eyes calmly. "Xi Xi, don't do it again!"

"But Ling Pavilion has many missions for me to complete. If I dodge danger, who'll do the missions?" Qiao Xi asked. She had benefited from Ling Pavilion, so she naturally had to repay the organization.

Gu Zheng gently stroked Qiao Xi's beautiful hair, and his voice was hoarse and low. "If you have to go, I'll accompany you. I'll protect you by your side. No matter what happens, I won't let you be in danger. I'll allow you to participate in the missions, but the prerequisite is that you can't hide it from me."

Qiao Xi raised her eyes and stared blankly at the man in front of her. Her cheeks were slightly red, and her heart was pounding. Why was this man so charming?!

Dense kisses landed on her lips, urgent and hot. He hugged the woman in his arms tightly like she was the most precious treasure in the world.

Qiao Xi was intoxicated by his kiss and was in a daze. She hurriedly said, "Alright, I won't hide it from you anymore!"

Gu Zheng lowered his eyes and gently kissed her eyes, cheeks, and the corners of her lips. Then, he kissed her exquisite collarbone, leaving a faint red mark.

Their bodies were tightly pressed together. Gu Zheng's hand moved around Qiao Xi's waist, causing her to tremble. Suddenly, the phone rang, and Qiao Xi came back to her senses. "Don't..."

Gu Zheng turned a deaf ear to her and patted her soft and delicate buttocks as if he was punishing her. His voice was hoarse. "Pay attention."

Qiao Xi lay on his body. After the scorching kiss, she felt the air around her thin out. She struggled to get up, but the man pulled her back. She should have been in control, but in Gu Zheng's arms, she could not exert any strength at all. She was like a lamb waiting to be slaughtered.

Qiao Xi was just about to speak when the man's finger landed on her lips and stroked them gently. His eyes were filled with burning love and affection, and his voice was low with a trace of a smile. "Mrs. Gu, why are you so enthusiastic today?! It's not even night yet. Are you already impatient?"

Qiao Xi: "... Damn! This bastard was really shameless!

“Let go of me. I want to get up!” Qiao Xi struggled to get up when someone suddenly pushed open the bedroom door. Generally speaking, only Song Shijing and Song Shiyu could come up to the bedroom on the second floor. If the two of them wanted to enter, they would definitely knock first and only come in after getting permission. Who was so bold as to come in without knocking?

Qiao Xi had already lost all her strength from Gu Zheng’s torture and was shocked by the sound of the door opening. She instantly lost her balance and fell into Gu Zheng’s embrace. Then, the two of them raised their eyes at the same time to look at the man at the door.

Chapter 879: Women Have To Be Reserved

“Wow!” A surprised voice sounded from the door. Gu Yao stood at the door with his eyes wide open. He was a single man who had never been in a relationship before. When had he ever seen such a shocking scene? He stood at the door for a few seconds, his cheeks slightly red.

A moment later, he said in surprise, “Qiao Xi, I really didn’t expect you to be such a proactive woman. You’re actually suppressing Gu Zheng?”

Qiao Xi: “...” ‘When did he see me taking the initiative?’

Hearing Gu Yao’s words, her face turned as red as a tomato. She hurriedly pushed Gu Zheng away and got up from his body. She shouted in exasperation, “Gu Yao! Do you want to die?!”

Gu Zheng stood up casually and straightened his messy shirt. He slowly looked up. “What are you doing here?”

Gu Yao met Gu Zheng’s cold eyes and trembled in fear. “I-It’s nothing. I didn’t know the two of you were...”

Gu Zheng’s lips were slightly red, and his eyes were a little dazed. His indifferent gaze landed on Gu Yao. When he smiled, he made Gu Yao shudder.

Gu Yao defended himself while trembling. “It’s clearly your fault for getting intimate without locking the door. You can’t blame me! Moreover, Qiao Xi, you’re a woman. You have to be more reserved. How can you suppress Gu Zheng?!”

Qiao Xi gritted her teeth in anger. “Gu Yao, should I gouge your eyes out?”

Gu Yao shook his head crazily, his cheeks red as he looked at Qiao Xi in embarrassment. “I didn’t see anything. I just want to remind you that it’s not good for women to be too proactive—”

Before Gu Yao could finish, Qiao Xi interrupted him helplessly. “What should we do if the child refuses to listen? He’s probably asking for a beating. We have to beat him up.”

Gu Yao gasped, and his hair stood on end. He had just accidentally pushed open the bedroom door. How could they blame him? Moreover, he had called before he came. Why didn’t they pick up?

Qiao Xi picked up Gu Zheng’s phone, which showed Gu Yao’s missed call. Actually, Gu Yao was in such a rush to see Nine Heavens Chinese Zither. After all, this zither was very famous in the music industry, and Gu Yao liked music very much, so he could not help but run over.

A moment later, Qiao Xi set up the ancient zither and lowered her eyes to think for a moment. Her fingers then moved smoothly on the zither.

Gu Yao listened in fascination. "Is this 'Everything'? Qiao Xi, you actually know how to play this song? You're too awesome!"

Everything was extremely difficult to play. Ordinary people were unable to play it. Only skilled musicians could perfectly play it. Gu Yao had only heard this song by chance at a concert. He did not expect Qiao Xi to know how to play it.

In his excitement, Gu Yao forgot that Gu Zheng was standing beside him. He went up to Qiao Xi, his eyes sparkling like the stars in the sky. He said in a childish voice, "Qiao Xi, can you teach me how to play 'Everything'?"

For the next hour, Qiao Xi patiently taught Gu Yao how to play. The time when Gu Zheng was supposed to be a loving couple with Qiao Xi was all taken up by Gu Yao. Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent on the surface, but he felt like beating someone up.

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When was this kid leaving?

Gu Zheng was really bored. When he was listening to Qiao Xi's lecture, he was also learning from the side. He quickly grasped the basics of playing the zither. After Gu Yao left, Gu Zheng walked to Qiao Xi's side and said bitterly, "It's just the zither. Who doesn't know how to play it?"

Qiao Xi's face was filled with surprise. "You know how to play the zither too?"

The man sat down with a straight posture, exuding an elegant and noble aura. His posture was very standard, and his fingers gently landed on the strings. The corners of his mouth curled up slightly. "Yes, I'll play it for you."

Qiao Xi was surprised and delighted. She had never heard that Gu Zheng knew how to play the zither, but someone as outstanding as him would definitely stun the entire venue with his skills. Hence, she sat on the sofa with her chin in her hand and looked at the man with anticipation.

In the next second...

The smile on Qiao Xi's face suddenly vanished, and a trace of embarrassment gradually appeared. "Ah Zheng..."

It was hard to imagine that this elegant and handsome man in front of her could play such an ugly tune. He was clearly very engrossed in playing, but the melody sounded half-dead.

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Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent, and his eyes narrowed slightly. His movements were comparable to that of a professional, and even the rhythm of his fingers was so professional. However, the sound he produced was truly not pleasant. For a moment, Qiao Xi even suspected that there was something wrong with her ears.

Chapter 880: True Lovers Wouldn't Miss Out On Each Other

After playing a song, Gu Zheng slowly opened his deep eyes and looked at the woman he loved with extreme gentleness. His thin lips parted slightly. "Did you like it?"

Qiao Xi: "...". She dug her ears. If it was not because there was something wrong with her ears, then it was because Gu Zheng was too narcissistic. He played so terribly yet still had the cheek to ask her if she liked it?

After a while, the door was pushed open again. Gu Yao rushed in in a panic, his eyes still a little dazed. He looked like he had just woken up. "What happened? I heard a scary sound just now. It sounded like the soundtrack from a horror movie!"

Qiao Xi's eyelids twitched. It was not that there was something wrong with her ears but that there was something wrong with Gu Zheng's performance. Gu Zheng himself was not embarrassed in the slightest and said indifferently, "You must have had a nightmare."

Gu Yao looked confused. "That's impossible! I heard it very clearly!"

Gu Zheng did not even raise his head and snorted. "Why not? You've had nightmares since you were young. It's not strange for you to hear terrifying sounds. Moreover, we didn't hear any sounds. Xi Xi, am I right?"

Qiao Xi: "?" What could she say?

Unexpectedly, Gu Yao was silly enough. After being fooled by Gu Zheng, he said seriously, "You're right. I must have had a nightmare. I haven't been sleeping well recently."

Gu Zheng nodded, and his voice softened a little. "Don't be afraid. If you have time, go see a doctor. Hurry up and go back to your room to rest."

With that, Gu Yao obediently returned to his room. Qiao Xi shook her head helplessly. Gu Yao was just too naive. He believed everything others said.

Gu Zheng slowly stood up and muttered, "This zither is indeed difficult to control."

Qiao Xi smiled slyly. It turned out that there was something that Gu Zheng could not do. It was probably because Gu Zheng was too outstanding. As long as it was something he wanted to do, there was nothing he could not do. In her heart, Gu Zheng was an omnipotent existence. He founded Gu Corporation from scratch and was all-powerful in the business world at a young age. It seemed that nothing could stump him. Now, he said that the zither was difficult.

"I thought that you knew everything, but it turns out you don't," Qiao Xi said with a smile.

Gu Zheng's expression was indifferent as he carefully put away the ancient zither. "Of course, I have things I don't know, but Xi Xi, you know everything. You know how to paint, compose, design, and play the zither. You're the most special person in this world.

"Do you still remember the day we met at the Civil Affairs Bureau?"

Qiao Xi's thoughts drifted. That day, she was supposed to register her marriage with Gu Moling. After Qiao Rou ruined it, she looked for Gu Zheng in a fit of anger and married him on impulse.

After getting married, she found out that Gu Zheng appeared at the Civil Affairs Bureau to get married to the daughter of the Meng family. Later on, he said that he did not go to the Civil Affairs Bureau for Meng Wan.

"Actually, I have a secret that I've been hiding from you. I went to the Civil Affairs Bureau for you." Gu Zheng's voice was gentle, but the words he said were like a rock that smashed into Qiao Xi's heart, causing ripples.

After a long time, Qiao Xi said in surprise, "You knew that I was Black Tide?"

Although she and her senior had known each other for a long time, they did not know each other's true identities. Moreover, how did her senior know that she would go to the Civil Affairs Bureau?

Gu Zheng's lips curled into a smile, and his deep eyes were filled with deep love. "I don't know why, but I had a feeling that someone very important was waiting for me there. If I didn't go, I'd definitely regret it for the rest of my life."

It was just a feeling. Gu Zheng, who had always been cold, wilfully went to the Civil Affairs Bureau because of a gut feeling. Even he did not know the reason for his behavior. At that time, he did not know that Qiao Xi was his junior at all. There was only a voice in the depths of his heart that told him that he had to go no matter what. He did not go there for Meng Wan but for someone important.

Qiao Xi was abruptly stunned, and her face was filled with disbelief. "If you hadn't believed your gut feeling that day and refused to go to the Civil Affairs Bureau, we would've probably missed out on each other."

Unexpectedly, Gu Zheng shook his head. "No, even if we didn't meet that day, we would've met in the future. As long as I met you, I'd fall in love with you, so I won't miss out on you no matter what."

True fate was not a coincidence. No matter when you met them, you would think that they were the person who would accompany you for the rest of your life.

Qiao Xi rarely heard Gu Zheng say sweet words. She curled up in Gu Zheng's embrace with a sweet smile on the corners of her mouth. Marrying Gu Zheng might have been an impulsive move, but it was the best decision in her life.