

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 431

What do you mean for a boy or a girl?

Fu Chengyan frowned. "She's only been pregnant for eight weeks. How would I know whether it's a boy or a girl!" He looked at the sales representative as though she was an idiot and then said impatiently. "Bah! I'll choose for myself!"

She was absolutely stunned. "Only eight weeks pregnant?" Why are you shopping for clothes when the fetus is only at eight weeks?

Zhou Zheng had just dismissed the onlooking women. He overheard the exchange between the Fu Chengyan and the sales representative when he returned and failed to suppress a snicker.

Fu Chengyan shot him a look. Zhou Zheng came over immediately and hinted for the sales representative to excuse herself first before addressing Fu Chengyan. "Mr. Fu, it's still too early into the pregnancy so it isn't necessary to purchase these things now. Moreover, these products can go out of style very quickly. I reckon that they would have become unsuitable by the time Mrs. Fu delivers the baby!"

Fu Chengyan looked silently at Zhou Zheng and Zhou Zheng held his tongue as well as he stood by the side waiting.

Fu Chengyan placed the items he had back down and stuck a hand in his pocket before he stated staidly, "Who said I was buying anything? I was just browsing!"

Zhou Zheng was flabbergasted.

You're the boss! Whatever you say goes!

"In that case Mr. Fu, do we continue here?"

Fu Chengyan shot Zhou Zheng another look. What do you think?

The two men continued to window shop at Jinghe for another hour or so. Zhou Zheng almost thought Fu Chengyan was possessed and Fu Chengyan behaved as though he was completely lacking in self-awareness as he went on to cover every inch of ground on the third floor.

Zhou Zheng was concerned about getting looks and disturbances by other shoppers so he got the mall's management to close off the third floor to everyone else except the retail assistants, Fu Chengyan and Zhou Zheng himself.

Fu Chengyan did not seem too concerned about seriously disrupting the mall's regular operations. Zhou Zheng just stood close by as he waited for his boss.

The mall manager for Jinghe came over hurriedly. "Mr. Zhou, why are you here? Where is Mr. Fu?"

The man followed where Zhou Zheng was looking and his eyeballs nearly dropped. "Is Mr. Fu... shopping in the children's department?"

He continued to track Fu Chengyan's movements as though he seemed to have chanced upon something unimaginable. Zhou Zheng could not tolerate it any longer and waved his arms frantically to block the mall manager's line of sight. "Stop looking!"

"Ha Ha, Mr. Zhou." The manager chuckled as he self-consciously looked away. "Is Mr. Fu here to survey the operations?"

Zhou Zheng chortled and gave the man an icy stare.

“Shall I go prepare some refreshments? Or reports...?”

“That’s enough. Do you think Mr. Fu is that free? He doesn’t have time for this!” Zhou Zheng felt gassed even as he said these.

Fu Chengyan had no time for work but was able to shop for clothing for his wife and unborn children. In spite of what the truth was, Zhou Zheng felt that no one would believe this if he told them.

“But Mr. Fu...”

“You can go now. Don’t ruin Mr. Fu’s mood!” Zhou Zheng had never encountered anyone as daft as this man. “Mr. Fu doesn’t like to be followed around in a private capacity! And also, no one is to speak of what happened here today!”

“Yes, of course.” The manager then scampered away.

Despite Zhou Zheng’s best efforts to keep word of Fu Chengyan’s little excursion to the mall under wraps, it did not seem to have the desired effect. That same night, news of it started to explode within the chat group that Fu Chengyan belonged to.

The reason for it was that someone shared a video of Fu Chengyan’s interaction with the sales representative. What made it worse was it featured the sequence where the representative asked Fu Chengyan the gender of the baby.

When Fu Chengyan was in the showers, Shi Nuan casually swiped away on her cellphone. This was when a WeChat message came in. Shi Nuan quickly opened up the message when she saw that it was from the group. That was when she saw the video footage.

Her initial reaction was to look in the direction of the bathroom. When she saw that the doors to the bathroom was shut, she went to look for Fu Chengyan’s phone. Indeed, the same video could be seen on it. Shi Nuan held a hand to her

forehead. On closer investigating, she gritted her teeth when she discovered that the clip was shared by Su Shaoqing. “Where did this come from?”

Shi Nuan immediately tagged Su Shaoqing. “Delete it right away or Chengyan will get you for it later!”

Before she could send out her message, others had started to chime in.

Li Heng: Never expected Chengyan to have such a moment.

Bei Jingxiu: I know right!

Su Shaoqing: Woot woot! Ha Ha! Didn’t expect to see such an adorable side to him. I’d say Nuan, your belly isn’t even visible yet! Su Shaoqing tagged Shi Nuan.

Shi Nuan could not help but chuckle, and replied with a laughing emoji.

Then the entire group started to discuss enthusiastically.

Pei Huan: Chengyan is so funny. Nuan, you are only two months in. Isn’t he getting ahead of himself?

Li Heng: What’s the rush? He’s just being silly.

Ning Xi: Didn’t realize Mr. Fu could be so hilarious!

Pei Jingxiu too got in on the action. Most of the comments were meant to ridicule Fu Chengyan. Most everyone in the group jumped on the bandwagon, all except for Fu Ling.

Shi Nuan flipped herself around a couple of times in bed and giggled.

It was no wonder Fu Chengyan came back with his handful of purchases. She thought those were what he got Zhou Zheng to buy, and did not expect that he went to shop for them himself.

Her smile grew broader at the thought of this. Shi Nuan rubbed her still flat belly in bliss, “Babies, look at how much your daddy loves the both of you!”

“Love what?”

Fu Chengyan opened the door to Shi Nuan clutching her belly smiling with all the tenderness of motherly love, beholding her unborn children like they were a precious treasure. His expression softened and brightened in response. “How were things for you at home today?”

Both of them were currently staying at the Fu residence. Shi Nuan was to remain at home as Fu Zhengyun and the rest of the family unanimously agreed that Shi Nuan should not be working given her current condition. That was why Shi Nuan wrapped her hands and legs around Fu Chengyan’s waist and clung onto him like a koala when he was preparing to head out for work in the morning.

Had Fu Zhengyun not walked past and gave her a dressing down, Shi Nuan would not have let Fu Chengyan go.

Shi Nuan could not be faulted completely though. Since her conception, she had been aware of herself becoming significantly more demanding and unreasonable than usual. On top of that, she was unfamiliar with the Fu residence. Even though she knew the people there, there were not many amongst them who thought of her favorably. All in all, this made her feel rather insecure. Shi Nuan was a career minded person.

She had always been in the opinion that she could still carry on working past the third trimester even when pregnant. It so turned out that she was stopped and made to stay in by the Fu Residence before her first trimester was up. Shi Nuan was naturally unhappy about this.

When she heard her husband pose that question to her, she pouted. Whatever good mood she was in before quickly dissipated. “What do you think? Eat, sleep, sleep and eat. There’s nothing else to do.”

Shi Nuan rolled her eyes as she got out of bed. She clutched Fu Chengyan’s arm with both hands and tugged on it. “Yan.”

“Yeah?”

With a towel in one hand and Shi Nuan tugging on the other, Fu Chengyan was rocked helplessly back and forth. He reached out and ruffled Shi Nuan’s hair. “All right, go on and speak your mind!”

Shi Nuan snickered and with her knees on the bed, inched towards Fu Chengyan while keeping her hands on him. “Let me go back to the company!”

“No way!” Fu Chengyan shook his head. “That is non-negotiable!”

“Why isn’t this up for discussion?” Shi Nuan sulked as she tugged at his arm. “I think we could really talk this through. Nobody out there gets grounded this early into her pregnancy. Just look at how many of our company’s own staff are continuing to go to work as usual even when they are with child. How could you be such a meanie?”

“There’s them and there’s you. They are not my wife while you are!” Fu Chengyan was not going to relent no matter how Shi Nuan remonstrated. “Be a good girl. It’s your first pregnancy and they are twins. Don’t have me worry for you, alright?”

Fu Chengyan reached out to pinch Shi Nuan on the nose but she knocked his hand away. “I want to go to work. At most, I promise not to walk the grounds and just stick to the administrative stuff. Would that do? Otherwise, I might start sprouting mold at home!”

Shi Nuan looked at Fu Chengyan with her large watery eyes. Her pitiful expression lodged a lump in his throat and almost had him nodding in agreement. But Fu Chengyan managed to endure and dig in his heels. He shook his head. "No."

"Yan!" Shi Nuan was upset. "Look at me. My belly is not even visible. Moreover, I'm not your property. I just want something to have something to do, that's all!" Cooped up at home and having to face Fu Zhengyun and Song Zhenyan day in day out, Shi Nuan was genuinely worried that she might become sick from anguish.

Shi Nuan let go of Fu Chengyan's arm and climbed into bed. She then tumbled about in protest.

"Alright, be careful there!" Fu Chengyan got up as well and reached for Shi Nuan's hand to steady her. "Don't be stubborn. You are no longer responsible for only yourself. Remember that there are two little ones inside of you, what if... I mean it would be better to be on the side of caution! Just endure this for a few more months. I'll take you on a trip after this, how about it?"

"No deal!" Shi Nuan is playing up now. "I don't want to. I want to go out and work. Just give me an assignment, any will do. I just don't want to stay at home!" Shi Nuan hugged Fu Chengyan's elbow. She then pressed her head against his arm and acted coquettishly like a child. "Come on! Or you could put me somewhere close to you!"

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 432

“Didn’t I say you’re not my trophy wife? Hmm?”

Fu Chengyan tited Shi Nuan’s chin. He pinched it softly between his fingers. Shi Nuan felt the tickle and brushed against his fingers, “What trophy wife? You’re Doraemon, and I belong in your pouch!”

Shi Nuan egged him on. It seemed like she would not let Fu Chengyan off easy if he did not agree with her statement.

Fu Chengyan’s gaze darkened, “Are you going to keep up with this?”

“Yes, I am. And there’s nothing you can do about it!” Shi Nuan hugged Fu Chengyan’s arms and burrowed herself in them. Fu Chengyan did not make a move. In the end, Shi Nuan lost all interest and pushed him away. Then, she buried herself in the sheets. “You’re no fun, mister! Fu Chengyan, do you not love me anymore?!”

Fu Chengyan was rendered speechless.

“I’m going to work! It’s not like I’m going to play! Why aren’t you agreeing to this?” Shi Nuan mumbled.

“Be a good girl, it’s your first trimester. The doctor told you to take good care of yourself the other day, remember? I just don’t want for you to be too tired.” Fu Chengyan scooped her up gently and hugged her waist. He patted the back of her head gently. “There, there. Why are you behaving like a child? Of course I still love you, silly.”



Fu Chengyan coaxed her patiently. He took her in his embrace, "I'm not saying you can't go. The time is just not right, okay?"

Shi Nuan pouted her lips and kept quiet. Fu Chengyan seemed quite helpless. He asked patiently, "Aren't you running out of air while getting all cooped up in there?"

"Why do you care? You don't seem like you care about how I feel anyway."

"Okay, okay. It's my fault. Why don't we go out for a walk tomorrow, hmm?"

"Really?" Shi Nuan's eyes lit up after hearing him. "Where are you bringing me tomorrow?"

"The office!" Fu Chengyan tapped lightly on her head. "Still going to be mad at me?"

Shi Nuan shook her head and wobbled out of the sheets. "No, no! I know Yan is the best!"

"Ah, what do I do with you?" Fu Chengyan could not help but pinch her nose. "You're really behaving like a child!"

Shi Nuan grinned from ear to ear. After getting Fu Chengyan to promise her, she did not throw tantrums anymore. Getting up from bed, she took the towel from him. "Let me dry your hair!"

"No." Fu Chengyan grabbed Shi Nuan's hands. "It's cold. The doctor mentioned that you shouldn't touch these cold things!"

"How is this cold?" Shi Nuan protested but to no avail. Fu Chengyan pointed at one corner of the bed. "You'd better sit there. Watch me dry my hair if you're bored, or you could read some magazines!"

Shi Nuan smiled as she retreated to a corner. Then, she picked up the phone and saw the abuzz discussion in the chat group. Shi Nuan narrowed her eyes. "Yan, guess what I'm seeing here."

Fu Chengyan dried his hair as he gazed sideways at Shi Nuan. "What?" His gaze fell on the phone in her hands, and then to the phone on her side. He narrowed his eyes at her. "Hmm?"

Shi Nuan chuckled. "Yan, the things that you brought back today, did Mr. Zhou buy it all?"

The things that I brought back?

Then, Fu Chengyan recalled that he did bring a lot of things home in the afternoon. He had instructed the butler and servant to spare a room for all those stuff.

Fu Zhengyun also asked for the butler to decorate the room as the nursery room. "Did Zhou Zheng tell you this?"

Shi Nuan shook her head. "No, Mr. Zhou wouldn't dare."

"Hmm?"

Fu Chengyan titled her brows and edged closer to her. He took the phone from Shi Nuan's hands and saw that his WeChat application was open.

He furrowed his brows, sensing that something might be wrong. Fu Chengyan scrolled further up and skimmed through it all. He zeroed in his attention on a video. Fu Chengyan clicked on the video, and his gaze darkened at the sight of it.

Oh no!

Shi Nuan was alarmed by his sudden move. However, when she managed to respond, it was already too late.

Fu Chengyan titled his brows slightly. The phone was clutched between his slender fingers. He clicked on the phone's screen with his index finger and smiled at Shi Nuan. "Very funny, hmm?"

Shi Nuan pursed her lips and shook her head vigorously.

Fu Chengyan tapped on the phone and thought for a moment. "But darling, I think you look very happy!"

"Yes, I am. I just realized how much you love us!" Shi Nuan hurriedly crawled to Fu Chengyan's side and circled his waist.

Fu Chengyan hurriedly steadied Shi Nuan as he saw that she was approaching him. Afraid that she might fall from the swift movements, he threw his anger to the back of his head. Shi Nuan's head bumped right into Fu Chengyan's chest.

With a thud, Fu Chengyan let out a growl. However, his first instinct was to steady Shi Nuan and asked, "Are you alright?"

Shi Nuan felt her nose going numb from the impact. Her eyes brimmed with tears but she shook her head stubbornly. She covered her nose and said, "I'm alright!"

"You're going to be a mother soon. Why aren't you more careful?" Fu Chengyan said as he tried to soothe her pain. Then, he sent a text: Shaoqing, it seems like you don't want to recover?

Su Shaoqing immediately replied to his text: Hey Chengyan, I'm just joking. Besides, it's rare to see you explicitly expressing care and concern toward Nuan. I suppose she's very happy to see it, isn't she?

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes. His text read: What if I let Ling experience the same joy?

Su Shaoqing: No, please! It's all my fault. Zhou Zheng did all these! I'm only in charge of sending a video. You've gotta trust me!

Fu Chengyan snorted as he threw the phone to one side. He lifted his head to look at Shi Nuan, "I think Shaoqing and Ling are not a good match for each other!"

Shi Nuan was rendered speechless.

Then, she burst into a laugh.

Su Shaoqing is done for this time. Hahaha! How dare he piss Yan off!

"I have to thank him for this video though. Otherwise, I wouldn't know that you care so much about the babies!"

Fu Chengyan tilted his brows. "What do you mean? Are you saying that I've somehow given you the impression that I do not care about them?"

Shi Nuan retracted a few steps back. She raised her hands up to surrender. "No, that's not what I mean at all." A mischievous look flashed across her face. With her arms akimbo she said, "Now I realize that you love the baby more than me. Fu Chengyan, do you only like the baby in my belly? Hmm?"

Noticing the mischievous look in her eyes, Fu Chengyan edged closer to Shi Nuan. Then, he caught her hands and lifted them above her head. Tilting his brows, he asked, "Do you think I'm only good to you because of the baby?"

Shi Nuan shook her head at first. Then, she nodded her head.

Fu Chengyan glared at her. Then, he hit her head with his own.

Shi Nuan let out a cry. She wanted to reach out to touch it. However, she realized both her hands were restrained by Fu Chengyan. Pouting, she put on a pitiful look. “Yan, I’m sorry!”

“Silly girl!” Fu Chengyan’s heart softened at her demeanor. In the end, he only scratched her nose lightly. “I’m treating the babies inside you nicely because you’re carrying them. You’re their mommy, and they’re our children. Okay?”

“Okay!” Shi Nuan nodded.

She was just joking previously. However, she still felt a warm feeling coursing through her heart at his words. “I know, Yan. Me too.”

The next day, Shi Nuan woke up early in the morning since Fu Chengyan had promised to take her to the office. She was afraid of Fu Chengyan going against his words. Hence, she sprung right out of bed early in the morning.

Fu Chengyan could not help but chuckle when he noticed her begrudgingly getting out of bed. He reached out to tap her head. “Why don’t you sleep some more? I’ll ask the chauffeur to come pick you up later, okay?”

“No!” Shi Nuan bumped her head gently against his head repeatedly. She was trying hard to keep her eyes open. “It’s so weird. I was never a sleepyhead!”

“Hmm, yeah. Not a sleepyhead!” Fu Chengyan was coaxing her like she was a child. Then, he reached out to scoop her into his arms and straightened out her nightgown. “Good girl, since we’re heading to the office, let’s go brush our teeth and change our clothes!”

“Okay!” Shi Nuan felt warm in his embrace. She circled her arms around his neck and wriggled herself to a relatively comfortable position. Her head was positioned on his shoulder as she rubbed herself against him. “Yan, your shoulder feels so nice!”

Fu Chengyan chuckled as he looked at her still in a daze. He tucked the stray hair covering her face behind her ear and then carried her into the bathroom.

Shi Nuan changed her position as she wrapped her legs around his waist and circled her hands around his neck. Her head was still leaning against her shoulders. She pouted, "Yan, I'm not gonna open my eyes!"

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes. "Okay, keep it closed then." He supported her buttocks with one hand, and used the other to fumble with the toothbrush and toothpaste. It was quite a strain for him to squeeze the toothpaste out of the tube. After he was done, he handed it over to Shi Nuan. "Let's brush our teeth first!"

Shi Nuan opened her eyes a little and saw the toothbrush. She grinned from ear to ear. "I'm so tired. Could you help me brush my teeth?"

"Lazy bum!" Fu Chengyan smiled. He took a towel and placed it beside the basin before letting Shi Nuan sit on it. Fu Chengyan gave her a cup of water. "You should gargle first."

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 433

Shi Nuan finally opened her eyes. She gargled. When she was about to take her toothbrush, Fu Chengyan snatched it and stuffed it inside her mouth. “Open your mouth.” Then, he brushed Shi Nuan’s teeth.

A minty feeling spread through her mouth, and Shi Nuan finally felt refreshed. She blinked a few times and took over the toothbrush in his hand. “I’ll do it myself. Yan, you brush your teeth too!”

“Okay.”

Swinging her legs, Shi Nuan brushed her teeth as she glanced sideways at Fu Chengyan.

The window in the bathroom was slightly open. The cool breeze from outside made its way into the bathroom. Early mornings were still quite breezy even though it was already early summer.

Shi Nuan blinked. Fu Chengyan passed her a cup of water to gargle. Shi Nuan quickly rinsed her mouth and jumped off from the sink area. Fu Chengyan responded briskly and caught her hands. “Be careful!”

“Yan, I’m not that weak.” Shi Nuan took the towel and washed her face. After she was done, she noticed that Fu Chengyan was shaving. She reached out to poke his face. “Can I help you?”

“Stop messing around and go get changed. We’re going to be late!” Fu Chengyan reached out to pat her head and brushed his fingers against her cheeks.

Shi Nuan wanted to protest but she knew they were indeed running late. Afraid that Fu Chengyan might use this as an excuse to not bring her to the office, she hurriedly went to change her clothes.

The two of them held hands as they went downstairs. Fu Zhengyun was just back from his Tai Chi session in the garden. Curious to see Shi Nuan getting up so early, he asked, "Why did you wake up so early? Where are you going?"

Fu Zhengyun's tone was icy. "You should rest well at home if you're pregnant. Do you feel like the number of servants at home is not enough to cater to your needs?"

"Grandpa!" Shi Nuan was in a good mood. She did not wish to quarrel with Fu Zhengyun early in the morning. "Isn't it good that I wake up earlier? The doctor mentioned that I have to wake up early to exercise. This is going to be better for the baby. Isn't that right, Yan?" Shi Nuan caressed her belly and looked at Fu Chengyan.

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes and smiled. "Yes!" Then, he glanced at Fu Zhengyun. "I'm going to take May out for a walk today!"

"What is wrong with staying at home? What is she not satisfied with? I will ask someone to redo it! Don't you know that her pregnancy is not stable yet? You should be more careful!"

Fu Chengyan's gaze sank. "I will take good care of her."

"How would you take good care of her? Do you have Aunt Ning's experience? Are you better than the experienced servants at home? Aren't you heading to the office? How will you be able to accompany her, then?" Fu Zhengyun came up with a myriad of reasons to not let Shi Nuan get out of the house. "You're not allowed outside!"

"I said I would take good care of May." Fu Chengyan did not take heed of his grandfather's protests. He held Shi Nuan's hand and took her to the dining room.



The cook was already serving their breakfast. It was a nutritious meal curated according to Shi Nuan's condition and the doctor's advice. Shi Nuan looked at her meal, and stole a glance at Fu Chengyan's. She gulped as she edged close to his ears. "Your grandpa seems really mad. What do we do?"

"Are you only starting to get scared now?" Fu Chengyan chuckled softly. "It's alright, I'm the one taking you out for a walk. Eat!"

"Okay." Shi Nuan lowered her head and ate her food.

Fu Zhengyun was mad at his grandson ignoring his orders, even so, when he thought about how brazen his grandson had become after having a family. He has never paid much respect to me anyway.

However, it was because Fu Chengyan did not spend much time at the Fu Residence. Out of sight, out of mind. Having said that, they were now staying under the same roof. Fu Zhengyun sulked further when he thought about how his grandson was disregarding him.

He wanted to reprimand the ignorant brat. Then, he thought about how Shi Nuan could not suffer even a little now that she was pregnant, he suppressed his boiling rage.

Fu Zhengyun snorted, and then turned around to head upstairs.

The butler trailed behind Fu Zhengyun. He cast a look at Fu Zhengyun, then at Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan, and his lips curled into a slight smile.

Maybe Old Master hasn't even realized that he has warmed up to Shi Nuan. Judging from the way he behaves, he's already acknowledging her.

After Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan were done with their breakfast, the two of them headed to the office. Since Shi Nuan was pregnant, it was impossible for Fu Chengyan to let her work. Hence, he was just bringing her along to reassure himself.

Shi Nuan wanted to head straight to the Project Management Department after getting off the car. However, Fu Chengyan held her hand and took her to the twenty-seventh floor instead. Fu Chengyan was very adamant about his decision, and Shi Nuan could only play along. Afraid that he might not want to bring her out next time, she meekly followed him to the twenty-seventh floor.

Fu Chengyan was late. To everyone's surprise, he was late for the very first time and was even more than 30 minutes late.

It was the usual morning meeting at Shengyuan. However, they could not proceed since the biggest boss had yet to arrive.

Zhou Zheng had called Fu Chengyan numerous times but he did not pick up a single one of them.

When the elevator door sprung open, Zhou Zheng rushed toward it. He saw Fu Chengyan holding Shi Nuan's hand as they headed out of the lift. Fu Chengyan walked in front of Shi Nuan as he said something to her. Her head drooped low as she muttered, "Okay."

"Mr. Fu!" Zhou Zheng almost went blind from the PDA. However, he still reminded his boss, "Mr. Fu, there's a meeting this morning..." You're late.

Fu Chengyan tilted his brows and nodded. "Okay, go get things ready!"

Get what ready? Everything's ready!

Fu Chengyan thought he heard Zhou Zheng muttering that he was late to the meeting.

However, he seemed to pay no heed. He held Shi Nuan's hand and went into the office. Zhou Zheng sighed and trailed behind them. "Mrs. Fu, why are you here?"

Shi Nuan smiled. "I'm here to take a look. Why? Mr. Zhou, you make me feel like I'm not welcome here!"

“Of course not!” Zhou Zheng wiped the nervous sweat rolling down his forehead. Then, an idea popped into his head. “Mr. Fu, the meeting has started. The executives are waiting for you!”

“Okay.” Fu Chengyan nodded as he adjusted his tie. He glanced at Shi Nuan. “Wait for me here. Didn’t you say you’re sleepy? Why not you take a nap at the lounge? I’ll ask Mai Qi to get someone to accompany you. You’ll look for them if you need anything. Is that okay?”

Shi Nuan shook her head. “It’s okay. Go get busy. I’ll be okay!” It was not her first time at Shengyuan, and she was rather familiar with the place. I don’t need him to take care of me here. ”Go!” Then, she looked at Zhou Zheng. “Mr. Zhou, go on. Get busy.”

“Yes! Take a good rest, Mrs. Fu.”

Fu Chengyan frowned slightly at his words. He glanced at his watch and realized that he was indeed late. Reaching out to hold Shi Nuan in his embrace, Fu Chengyan planted a kiss on her forehead. “Wait for me right here. Don’t go anywhere else, okay?”

“Okay, don’t worry!” Shi Nuan thought he was being too clingy. “Go!”

Fu Chengyan then turned around to look at Zhou Zheng. “Let’s go!”

When Zhou Zheng noticed that Fu Chengyan was about to kiss Shi Nuan, he covered his face. Fu Chengyan threw him a look, and Zhou Zheng stood vigilant at his boss’s glare.

Fu Chengyan was still worried when he was about to head out. “Ask Mai Qi to send someone to guard her. Make sure May’s every need is catered to!”

“Yes!”

After Fu Chengyan had left, Shi Nuan hung out at his office. She was bored in no time and started to browse the Internet on her phone.

Since it was a working day, Song Rongrong did not have the time to entertain her. Shi Nuan had heard her mention that her chief editor wanted her to trail a celebrity and come up with a sensational piece. Shi Nuan and Su Yian cheered her on in the group chat. Then, Shi Nuan chatted with Su Yian.

The two of them had not met for some time since Shi Nuan had been swamped lately, especially after knowing that she was pregnant. Shi Nuan texted her: Are you still in contact with Lin Yu?

Su Yian did not reply to her even after some time.

Shi Nuan then thought she had been imposing, and apologized to Su Yian immediately. Su Yian then replied: It's okay. I'm going to get busy then.

Shi Nuan leaned against the sofa. She bit her lip. Then, she took out her phone and decided to clarify things with Su Yian. However, the moment she was about to type her message, she had no idea how to ask Su Yian. Su Yian and Lin Yu have made themselves pretty clear. Am I being a busybody here?

When Shi Nuan was deep in her thoughts, a new message popped up on WeChat.

She looked quizzically at the ID. She was certain that she added the contact. However, she could not seem to recall who the person was.

There were only a few words in the text. Are you available? I'm taking tomorrow's flight back. Let's meet up!

Shi Nuan bit her lip. She still had no idea who sent the text. She couldn't recall which friends had to leave either. However, judging from the tone of the text, the person should have been someone quite close to her.

Shi Nuan clicked on the person's profile, and realized that there was... nothing.

Curious, she sent a text: You are...?

The person replied after some time: Shen Shixiu!

Shi Nuan was stumped. Shen Shixiu? When has he ever used WeChat? Most importantly, when did he add me as his friend? Why can't I recall adding him as my friend?

Even though she was plagued by a number of questions, it did not seem polite for her to question him directly. Err, I'd better not make things awkward for Shen Shixiu.

Shi Nuan then replied: You're going back? Are you going back to the capital? So you're done with things here?

Shen Shixiu saw her questions. Shaking his head, he replied: Yes!

Shi Nuan bit her lip and replied: Then... Is Shen Qianan going back too?

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 434

Shi Nuan knew it was impolite for her to ask. Besides, Shen Shixiu was Shen Qianan's brother after all. It would be quite weird for her to pose the question. Having said that, Shi Nuan still blurted the question. Her intuition was telling her that Shen Shixiu was unlike his sister.

Shen Shixiu's eyes glinted with delight when he saw the text from Shi Nuan. His slender fingers brushed against the screen, focusing on the few words in Shi Nuan's text. The delight in his eyes was apparent.

Jiang Zhan was standing right opposite to him. He shuddered at the sight of his boss's smile.

"Let's go back!" Shen Shixiu tucked away his phone and lifted his head to look at Jiang Zhan. "How's the preparation going?"

"Everything is ready, sir. But it seems like Ms. Qianan is reluctant to go back!" Jiang Zhan tried to sound Shen Shixiu out as he glanced at him. Shen Shixiu's face sank. "She doesn't want to leave? Then take Yu with you!"

"But..." Jiang Zhan hesitated. "Yu is still too young. Sir, I think it's quite heartless if you really do so..." "Yu is Ms. Qianan's lifeline. She..."

"Her lifeline? Try taking Yu away and see if she cares more about her son or Fu Chengyan!" Shen Shixiu rose and noticed his phone beeping. He took out his phone. It was still a text from Shi Nuan: Mr. Shen, what time is your flight tomorrow? Would you like to be Yan and my guest?

Shen Shixiu's gaze darkened. He looked at the text. His gaze grew frosty, and he did not reply to the text. "What time is the flight tomorrow?"

"Three in the afternoon, sir. You need to sign a contract in the morning." Jiang Zhan reported. "Sir, what time is your meeting with Ms. Shi? I will make the arrangements now!"

"No need!" Shen Shixiu cast a glance at Jiang Zhan. "Go back and get packing. We will head back tomorrow."

Jiang Zhan looked at his silhouette. It's getting harder and harder to read him.

Shi Nuan did not get a reply from Shen Shixiu and sent another text: Mr. Shen, do you need me to book the restaurant? He did not reply either.

The corner of her mouth quirked up as she raised a brow. Maybe Shen Shixiu is busy. So, she did not send another text. However, she looked at Shen Shixiu's profile ID. Miss.

Shi Nuan was stumped. She did not know what it meant. Then, she proceeded to save his contact.

Some time had passed but Shi Nuan still felt quite bored. She rose and left Fu Chengyan's office and headed toward the Project Management Department.

Ever since Shi Nuan knew that she was pregnant, she had not been to the office for almost half a month. The other people in the office were gossiping about her. They wondered if she had offended the higher-ups; or if her absence was due to her ambiguous relationship with Mr. Fu.

She had listened to different types of 'theories' just from her way downstairs. Shi Nuan did not pay heed to the gossips. However, all of them were taken aback at the sight of her.

She smiled as she acknowledged them, bypassing them and headed straight to the Project Management Department.

Yuan Jia had been swamped because of Shi Nuan's absence. She hoped that she could be split herself up to deal with the overwhelming workload. Shi Nuan appeared right when she was busiest.

Yuan Jia looked at Shi Nuan like she was her salvation. "My dear, you're finally back! Do you know I..." Yuan Jia paused for a moment before continuing, "Say it, why were you absent from work for no apparent reason for almost half a month? Where did you go? What were you up to?"

"For no apparent reason?" Shi Nuan was stumped. "Didn't I notify Mr. Lin already? Where is he?"

"He went outstation! Look at this... Look at the mess that I have to deal with!" Yuan Jia could not help but grumble. She regarded Shi Nuan from left to right and asked, "Nothing has happened to you. Why is the whole office abuzz with gossip? Where have you been?"

"Why the rush? What are you busy with?"

Yuan Jia pointed at the stuff on her table. "There, all these things!" Yuan Jia could not help but scratch her head. "I'm really swamped here. Even though Mr. Lin has arranged for extra helping hands before leaving, I still feel... so tired. I finally realize how nice it feels to have you around."

Shi Nuan cast a glance at the documents piled up on her desk and noticed a number of collaboration proposals. "All these are for this year?"

"Yes!" Yuan Jia looked extremely troubled. "I think our department is really short-handed. Then you leave us at this critical moment. I've been wondering if you're quitting!"



“No, that’s not it. I’m just…” Shi Nuan paused for a moment before pulling Yuan Jia close to herself. She whispered into Yuan Jia’s ears, “I’m pregnant, that’s why…”

“What? You’re preg-” Yuan Jia did not get to finish before Shi Nuan quickly covered her mouth. Shi Nuan shook her head in dismay. “Could you be quieter!”

Yuan Jia nodded. However, her eyes widened with disbelief as she looked at Shi Nuan. Shi Nuan nodded and gave her a reassuring look. “I’m going to let go of you. Don’t make a fuss, please.”

Yuan Jia nodded with all her might. Only then did Shi Nuan let go. “Are you alright?”

“I’m okay, still breathing.” Yuan Jia gasped before her gaze fell on Shi Nuan’s belly. She found it hard to believe since Shi Nuan’s belly was still flat. “So, the child is Mr. Fu’s?”

Shi Nuan smiled. “Who else?”

Yuan Jia scratched her head. “I didn’t mean that. I’m just surprised!”

Actually, Yuan Jia was not even certain if Shi Nuan and Fu Chengyan were indeed married. Even though they showed up together on multiple occasions, Fu Chengyan had never announced anything.

“It’s not actually that sudden. Yan and I just want to be low profile., so not a lot of people know about this,” Shi Nuan said as she regarded Yuan Jia’s look. She knew Yuan Jia still found the news improbable. Hence, she reached out and tapped on Yuan Jia’s shoulders. “This news must have snuck up on you. Anyway, you’d have to work extra hard during this period.”

“Umm, I really can’t tell from your belly. How many months along are you?”

“Two!” Shi Nuan’s face brightened as she spoke of her child. She caressed her belly. “It’s not really obvious now.”

“Only two? Are you not coming to work already? I think a woman needs to have her own career no matter what. Well, Mr. Fu is really rich, but...” Yuan Jia scratched her head again. “Umm, what I’m saying is, it’s quite a pity for you to stop working right now.”

“Yes, I know.” Shi Nuan turned serious. “Yan and his family want me to take ample rest. I could only come here today because I pleaded with him.” It was apparent that Shi Nuan felt helpless when she mentioned it.

“Yes, rich people think differently from us.”

“Don’t worry. I’ll find a way somehow. It’s impossible for me to stay grounded at home for seven to eight months. I’d be bored to death!” Her gaze turned to the piling proposals on Yuan Jia’s desk. “Are you swamped?”

“Yes!” Yuan Jia was exasperated with her workload. “I wonder when is Mr. Lin coming back?”

“Let me handle this one,” Shi Nuan said as she slipped one out of the pile. “If you are willing to trust me with it!”

“Of course! I am well aware of your capabilities. Hmm, but is Mr. Fu willing to let you do this?”

“It’s okay. I’m free anyway. I’m going to work on this in his office. Shi Nuan looked at the time and realized that there was not much time left. She patted Yuan Jia’s shoulders and said, “I’ll get going first. Otherwise, Yan will not bring me here again.”

Just when Shi Nuan entered the elevator with the proposal in her hands, Fu Chengyan called her. “Where are you?”

“I was getting bored, so I went for a walk downstairs. I’m going right up!” Shi Nuan looked at the level displayed in the elevator. “A few more floors before I reach your office. Yan, are you done with your meeting?”

“Yep!” Fu Chengyan tilted his brows as he glanced at his surroundings. He took a seat and casually tapped on his desk with his slender fingers. “Didn’t I tell you to stay right here?”

Afraid that she might get bored all alone, he rushed back to his office right after the meeting. However, she was nowhere to be seen when he was back at his office. His secretary did not know where she was either. He called her as he was starting to get worried. Only then did he know that Shi Nuan had been going around.

She stepped out of the elevator and noticed that Zhou Zheng and Mai Qi were guarding it. Stumped, she asked them, “Mr. Zhou, Mai Qi, are you guys heading out?”

“Mrs. Fu!” Zhou Zheng’s lips twitched. “You’re finally back! Where did you go? Mr. Fu has been looking everywhere for you!”

Oh crap!

Shi Nuan stuck her tongue out impishly. “Where is Yan?”

Zhou Zheng pointed at the office. “He’s right inside.”

She nodded. “Thanks, go get busy then, both of you.” Shi Nuan made an ‘okay’ gesture to reassure Zhou Zheng. She breathed in deeply before knocking on the door. “Yan?”

“Come in!” Fu Chengyan’s voice could be heard. Shi Nuan did not notice anything odd about his tone. Relieved, she pushed the door to enter his office. “Yan!”

Fu Chengyan had a stern face on. However, at the sight of her cheery face, his anger dissipated into thin air. He beckoned at her, "Come here!"

Shi Nuan walked sheepishly to his side. Fu Chengyan could not stand it and reached out to swoop her into his embrace. Wrapping his hands around her waist, he asked, "Where did you go? Didn't I tell you to wait for me right here? Why did you go roaming the place?"

"I didn't roam around." Shi Nuan sat on his lap and brushed herself against him. Fu Chengyan gasped and steadied her body. His gaze sank. "Sit properly. Don't move around."

Shi Nuan noticed something odd after his remark and blushed crimson red. She sat up straight and dared not make a single move. "I'm sorry! I was just too bored and went out for a walk. I didn't go running around the office. I was being very cautious all the way. You could check the CCTV if you didn't believe me!"

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 435

“Hmm?” Fu Chengyan tilted his brows slightly as he focused on the document clutched in Shi Nuan’s hands.

He snatched it away from her, and noticed that it was a proposal. Glancing at her, he asked, “What’s this?”

“Ah, I...” Shi Nuan was just thinking of how to comfort Fu Chengyan. She did not expect to be caught red-handed so soon. Circling her arms around his neck, she chuckled. “Haha... It’s just that I’ve not seen my colleagues over at the Project Management Department for quite some time. So I went inside for a walk... Umm...”

“And then you took over a big project?” Fu Chengyan waved the proposal in his hand casually as his gaze was affixed on her.

Shi Nuan pursed her lips. Her brows were knitted from guilt. “Are you mad?”

“Do you care if I’m mad or not?” Fu Chengyan retorted. Exasperated, she replied, “Of course I do!”

“What happened when I asked you to wait for me in the office?”

“Yan, I’m sorry.” Shi Nuan stuck out her tongue impishly again. She realized that he might have been really mad this time. Shi Nuan brushed her forehead against his. “I’m really sorry, I didn’t mean to break the promise. I got too bored waiting for you. Besides, I’m perfectly fine. I can’t just stay right here and do nothing all day. So, I went to find Yuan Jia and got something from her to pass time. I promise you, I won’t stir up any trouble, okay?”

Shi Nuan swung his arms as she apologized. "I'm a really meticulous person. Is it really necessary to worry about me? I..."

"Hmph!" This woman has said a bunch when I haven't even said a single word.  
"Alright!"

Shi Nuan's eyes gleamed with delight at his response. She clutched his hand, "Yan, you're not mad at me anymore, right?"

"When did I ever say I was mad at you?" Fu Chengyan patted her head. "Why are you making me worry so much after getting pregnant?"

"I'm not making you worried. You're the one who's worrying too much." Shi Nuan placed her fingers on his temples and massaged them. "Does this feel good?"

"Yeah."

Fu Chengyan closed his eyes and relaxed.

Shi Nuan got up carefully from his lap. All of a sudden, Fu Chengyan tightened his grip on her and she fell back on his lap. "Where are you going?"

Shi Nuan was amused. "I'm not going anywhere. I just want to get up to massage you. I'm afraid that I'm too heavy."

"You're not heavy at all. You're literally skin and bones. Why don't you take this chance to gain more weight?" Fu Chengyan said as he eyeballed Shi Nuan. Knitting his brows, he complained, "Too thin!"

"I'm pretty much standard, not at all too thin. Don't even dream of feeding me till I'm a fatty!" Shi Nuan puffed out her cheeks and increased her force on his temples. "Understand?"

“You’re not fat at all. I think you’re way too thin. You’re going to go through a lot when you give birth. So you’ve got to eat more and take good care of yourself. even if you do get fat, you’re my one and only fatty!”

“You’re the fatty!” Shi Nuan pinched his nose. “Don’t call me fat!”

“Oh my goodness, I did not! I’ve been saying that you’re too thin!” Fu Chengyan could not resist when she pinched his nose. He circled his hands around her waist. “What do you think after looking through the proposal?”

“I thought you didn’t want to let me handle it!” Shi Nuan was pleasantly surprised.

Even though she promised Yuan Jia that she would handle this, she did not actually have the confidence that Fu Chengyan would let her take part in this. That was why she bit her tongue about it just now. However, she grinned from ear to ear after hearing him. “Yan, are you saying that I could start working on this?”

“How long could I keep protesting? You’re behaving like I’m bullying you!” Fu Chengyan was left with no choice. “I have to make myself clear though. You could provide your opinion and participate in some lightweight tasks. But you’re definitely not going outstation and absolutely forbidden from interfering too much. Okay?”

“Okay! I know what to do. I know my limits, okay?” Since Fu Chengyan had given his word, she had to stick to the end of her deal too. “Don’t worry, I’m only in charge of the early preparation. Yuan Jia has mentioned that Mr. Lin is outstation now. Even though he has arranged extra helping hands, it seems like their collaboration isn’t going well. So, the extra helping hands are of not much help either. That’s why I’m offering myself up for the job.”

Fu Chengyan nodded his head and glanced at the proposal. “Aureate Jade? Huh, what a good choice!”

Shi Nuan’s eyes lit up. “Why? Is this the project of the year?”

Fu Chengyan nodded. "Yes, We're getting started on this. Lin Yu is going outstation to deal with this too!" Fu Chengyan laid out the proposal on the desk and pointed at it. "This is only the preliminary planning. Have you gone through it?"

Shi Nuan shook her head. "I picked one out randomly. I honestly had no idea which one I actually picked out!" Shi Nuan sat on his lap again and looked at it seriously. "When is this project going to be launched?"

"We don't have a fixed date yet. Our partners haven't decided either."

"This is not Jiang City's project, right?" Even though Shi Nuan did not handle the bid of a few projects at Jiang City, she had heard of them, and Aureate Jade was not of them. Hence, she guessed that it was not a local project. "So is Lin Yu handling the survey?"

"Yes, smart woman." Fu Chengyan flipped open the Aureate Jade project proposal. "It's at Sheen City."

"Sheen City?" Shi Nuan was stumped. "Isn't that... the turf of Jiang family?"

Fu Chengyan nodded. "The purpose of his trip to Sheen City this time is to deal with the Jiang family."

"Has Su Bancheng gone back?" Shi Nuan had almost forgotten this person. "So your previous attempt at getting on Su Bancheng's good books was to prepare for the Aureate Jade project?"

"Why don't you take my place instead?" Fu Chengyan pinched her nose as he gazed at her affectionately. Shi Nuan pursed her lips and swatted his hands away from her nose. "Could you stop pinching my nose?"

Fu Chengyan smiled and patted her shoulder. "Sit right there and take a good look at this."



“Okay!” Shi Nuan nodded her head. She took the proposal and got up from his lap. When she was about to run to her seat, she recalled that she had to be extra cautious. She turned around to look sheepishly at him. Then, she took baby steps to her seat as she set her back straight and cast a glance at Fu Chengyan. Satisfied with her demeanor, Fu Chengyan gave her a smile. Shi Nuan was visibly relaxed at the sight of it.

I’m not the fussy one, Fu Chengyan is.

Noticing that Fu Chengyan had his eyes glued on herself, Shi Nuan waved her hands to dismiss him, signaling for him to tend to his own business.

Fu Chengyan’s lips curled into a thin smile. He had only retracted his gaze after some time. It was obvious that he was whipped.

The whole morning, the two of them worked in silence at Fu Chengyan’s office. He was looking through the project at his desk; Shi Nuan at her sofa. However, Shi Nuan could not seem to pay attention. Is it because of the pregnancy? She started to pace back and forth at the office after working for just a moment. Fu Chengyan lifted his head a few times to look at her.

Every time he did that, Shi Nuan would give him a reassuring smile. “I can’t just sit quietly. Dr. Yu has mentioned that this is quite normal and asks me to walk around more. You should focus on your work.”

Fu Chengyan merely smiled and continued working.

Zhou Zheng was greeted by this very sight when he entered. Shi Nuan was leaning against the sofa with the information about the project clutched in her hands. She had been leafing through the pages for over an hour and a half. However, it seemed like her head was drooping, and she had fallen asleep.

Fu Chengyan had been writing with his head buried in his desk. He would occasionally glance at Shi Nuan. Noticing that Shi Nuan had fallen asleep and

that her head was oddly angled, he rose and took away the information in her hands. Then, he adjusted her position and laid her flat on the sofa.

Zhou Zheng knocked on the door. He bumped right into Fu Chengyan treading carefully on his every move.

Even Zhou Zheng subconsciously became gentle in his movements. He stood frozen at one side.

Fu Chengyan noticed Zhou Zheng as well. He furrowed his brows slightly and cast him a look. Zhou Zheng waved the pile of documents in his hands. "Mr. Fu, there's something that you need to review here!"

Fu Chengyan pointed at his desk and Zhou Zheng put the pile on his desk right away. Before leaving, he suddenly recalled something. "Mr. Fu, Shen Shixiu's flight is at three in the afternoon tomorrow."

Three in the afternoon!

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes. "Is he alone?"

"No, Ms. Shen will be taking the same flight."

Fu Chengyan knitted his brows at Zhou Zheng's report. Then, he waved his hands to dismiss Zhou Zheng.

As Fu Chengyan stared at Shi Nuan who was sleeping peacefully, he slipped into deep thought.

Not long after, Shi Nuan's phone rang. Her forehead creased and she was about to open her eyes. Fu Chengyan reached out to cover her eyes. With her vision going pitch black, she fell into slumber.

Fu Chengyan then took the phone beside Shi Nuan. After seeing the WeChat message popping up, his gaze darkened.

It was a text from Shen Shixiu. "Sorry, I was busy and did not see your text. I'll treat you guys tomorrow!"

Fu Chengyan raised a brow. He scrolled up to see the previous messages between Shen Shixiu and Shi Nuan.

So, this fella has added Shi Nuan a while back but she does not know about it?

Fu Chengyan looked at the text and slightly pursed his lips. He replied okay and kept the phone.

Shi Nuan did not seem to be comfortable in her sleep. She turned around and almost fell to the floor. Fu Chengyan hurriedly reached out and caught hold of her. He looked helpless as Shi Nuan positioned herself in his embrace and fell into deep sleep.

Fu Chengyan brushed back the stray hairs around the corners of her mouth. He was greeted by her angelic sleeping face. He brushed his fingers against her cheeks and carried her into the lounge.

He placed her gently on the bed. Just when he covered her with a blanket, Shi Nuan clutched onto his hands as she opened her eyes in a daze. His handsome face looked stern in the dimly lit lounge.

She pouted as she hugged Fu Chengyan's arms and brushed herself against him. "Yan, let's sleep together."

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 436

Feeling uncomfortable with the situation, Fu Chengyan wanted to leave, but Shi Nuan grabbed his arm to stop him. He looked at her helplessly as she fussed, “Yan!”

“Alright!” Fu Chengyan lifted the blanket and laid beside Shi Nuan. Then, like a koala, she lifted her leg and hugged him. He wanted to pry away from her, but she held onto him tightly, so without a choice, he stayed in the same position.

When Shi Nuan woke up from her sleep again, Fu Chengyan was gone.

She did not know how long she had slept, but she felt refreshed. As the lounge was connected to Fu Chengyan’s office, she could hear everything that was going on outside.

When the lounge’s windows and doors were closed, no one can see the inside of it from the office. In contrast, Shi Nuan could see the office from the lounge.

As she was about to open the door, she heard a voice. With her hand already on the doorknob, she paused immediately.

“Yan, don’t you have anything to say to me?”

It’s a woman’s voice, and I can’t tell who it is. Is this Shen Qianan’s voice?

Isn’t she at Shen Shixiu’s place? He told us that he would be leaving Jiang City with her. If she’s here, is she hoping that Fu Chengyan would stop her from leaving?

Shi Nuan frowned and loosened her grip on the doorknob. She pressed her ear against the door and heard Shen Qianan continue. “Yan, do you still have feelings for me? Shixiu told me some things, but I refused to believe his words. You met me first, so your love to me probably was projected on Shi Nuan instead...”

“Are you done?” Fu Chengyan stopped her midsentence as he raised his head to look at her coldly. With no trace of emotions in his eyes, he glared at Shen Qianan like she was a stranger to him.

“If you are done, I want you to scram,” he ordered.

Upset, Shen Qianan whined, “Yan, how can you do this to me? I know you were angry with me for betraying you then. However, you need to understand that I did not do it willingly. Those people kidnapped me because of you. Have you forgotten everything we’ve been through together?”

“Are you talking about how you saved me?” Fu Chengyan spat. “If that’s the matter you are referring to, you should also remember that I have fulfilled the promise I’ve made to you in the same year. Don’t you recall it?”

With one hand on the table, he stood up and glared at Shen Qianan, with lasers shooting out of his eyes.

Shaken by Fu Chengyan’s words, Shen Qianan stammered, “I...” Her face turned pale as she tried to continue, “Yan, that year...”

“Did you come here today to test me and to find out if my relationship with May is destructible? Or, are you just not willing to let it go? Perhaps, you don’t even want to go back to the capital, and you are only using me as a cover,” Fu Chengyuan firmly stated.

Taken aback, Shen Qianan took two steps back and looked at Fu Chengyan in shock. “How can you treat me like this?”

“Is this not the way I deserve to respond?” Fu Chengyuan scoffed.

Shen Qianan stood tall and spat back, “You have never loved me. The only reason why you were nice to me then was because I resembled Shi Nuan. Haha, does she know that you took me as her replacement?” Shen Qianan gritted her teeth and reasoned. “Fu Chengyan, you are such a hypocrite. If I did not run into that situation, and you did not meet Shi Nuan coincidentally, we would have gotten married. If so, your love for Shi Nuan now isn’t genuine at all, you...”

Glaring at Shen Qianan, Fu Chengyan interrupted her, “Who do you think you are? Those are merely conclusions you recklessly jumped into.”

Shen Qianan bit her lips in disbelief. “I don’t believe you.”

“What is there to believe? When I met May, I did not even know where you were.” Fu Chengyan stated with a smile on his face. “I was nice to you because you saved me once. Yes, you happened to look like May, but I never had any indecent thoughts about you.”

“That’s impossible! I don’t believe it. Given so, why did you not deny your feelings in front of the Fu clan? Why bother doing all those things to make others misunderstand?” Shen Qianan insisted.

“Maybe you are right. I am a hypocrite.” Fu Chengyan did not bother about his reputation. He stuck his hands in his pocket and looked unbothered. “Well, you were useful to me. At such a young age, you were so good at scheming, and every woman that approached me were no match for you.”

“Were you using me as a shield?” Shen Qianan broke down after knowing the truth. “Fu Chengyan, how can you do that to me? You knew that I loved you, yet you were so heartless to treat me like that.”

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes at her. “Do I have to like you just because you like me?” He mocked her. As his lips curled into a smile, he commented, “It was a win-win situation for both of us then. I helped you escape from the Shen family

while you helped take care of my problems. Isn't that how it worked? I thought you were smart enough to see through it."

"Fu Chengyan, does Shi Nuan know that this is the real you?" Shen Qianan felt wronged and was disgusted by him.

I have never expected that I'd be someone like that to him. It's so unfair that he never thought of me as his fiancée while all these years I...

Shen Qianan expression darkened. "Are you not afraid of retribution?"

"Retribution? Even if there is such a thing, I have already done many bad things. Thus, one-time retribution would be bearable. However, I have always been lucky and have yet to experience it. Well, you might not even live to see me suffering from it," Fu Chengyan replied arrogantly. Utterly disappointed, Shen Qianan looked at him blankly.

I always knew that he was ruthless. After all, I have seen so many of his schemes over the past few years. However, I have never been his target. Unlike today...

Shen Qianan's expression turned ugly. I came all the way here today just to be humiliated.

She laughed bitterly, "Well, that's good to know."

Fu Chengyuan eyes narrowed as he studied Shen Qianan's expression. He pursed his lips and whispered after a long time, "Aren't you a hypocrite too?"

Confused, Shen Qianan looked into his eyes. Fu Chengyan snorted, "You are willing to do anything to get what you want."

"What do you mean?" Shen Qianan asked as her expression changed. "I don't know what you are talking about!"

“Who was that man, Huang Daocang, from three years ago? Do you really not know who he is?” Fu Chengyuan walked and stopped in front of her. He gave her a condescending look and muttered, “That man...is Yu’s biological father, right?”

“I don’t know what you are saying! Yu is your son!” Shen Qianan fervently denied.

“I have never even touched you, so how is that even possible?” Fu Chengyan scanned Shen Qianan from head to toe and continued, “The evidence you made me destroy must be related to that man. However, you did not expect that man to dump you after I erased the evidence, right?”

Shen Qianan looked at him in horror.

Gritting her teeth, she kept quiet. Despite that, the way she trembled revealed her emotions.

Fu Chengyan raised his eyebrows and questioned, “Yu is part of the Fu clan. Therefore, that man must be from the Fu clan too, am I right?”

“I don’t know. You are spouting nonsense!” Shen Qianan suddenly yelled.

Then, she pushed Fu Chengyan roughly and shook her head repeatedly in denial. “I don’t know what you are saying!”

“You probably don’t want to leave Jiang City because of him, not me. Is he in Jiang City then? Or, is he coming here?” Fu Chengyuan speculated.

Shen Qianan fell to the ground, still repeating the words, “I don’t know.”

Looking at Shen Qianan’s reaction, Fu Chengyan knew he was right, so he stepped back.



Then, he squatted down to look at Shen Qianan. “Actually, you probably still have a way out if you did not come to see me today.”

Shen Qianan bit her lips while Fu Chengyan looked away and stood up. He turned his back to her and continued, “That man is after the Fu clan, so he kidnapped you three years ago. However, he did not expect me to send you away nor for you to develop feelings for him.”

Shen Qianan choked, “No, I don’t love him. You don’t know what you are saying. You don’t even know what I’ve been through in those three months. Every time I fell into despair, you are the first person that comes to mind. In contrast, am I the first person that comes to your mind? It turns out that you were only using me all this while. He thought that I was someone you cared most for, so he kidnapped me and humiliated me. When all these were happening, what were you doing? After you knew someone kidnapped me, you were still with the Song family in the capital. Fu Chengyan, you have never loved me. Since you never did, why did you make use of me? You are despicable! A person like you should go to hell. How can your conscience be clear?”

Fu Chengyan chuckled in response. “Well, I remember telling you that I don’t love you. Don’t you remember?”

Shen Qianan tightened her fists as Fu Chengyan looked at her calmly. “I don’t believe anyone but myself. Neither do I bother about religions and superstitions. Since I have already made it clear to you, whatever you do next has nothing to do with me.”

Then he scoffed, “What’s wrong? Are you upset with my reply?”

Shen Qianan trembled. Her body felt cold, as though she was stuck in a cold room.

How can he do this to me?

Why?

Is it simply because I look like Shi Nuan? Therefore, I deserved it? ”If Shi Nuan realizes who you really are, she will think that you are a devil too,” Shen Qianan spat.

Fu Chengyan smirked and responded, “Perhaps she will.”

“Fu Chengyan!”

Fu Chengyan stated, “Spit it out. What is your true purpose for coming here today? If you want an answer, Shen Shixiu probably has told you. This time, I’m telling you this for free. If you are still not satisfied...”

“Enough! Fu Chengyan, you are too much. You are just like Shen Shixiu, a devil!”  
Shen Qianan cursed.

“A devil!” She reemphasized.

Deciding that he had said enough, Fu Chengyan offered, “Since you saved me before, and I have already repaid you for it, I can still grant you another wish.”

Raising her head, Shen Qianan boldly insisted, “I want you to marry me.”