

Priceless Baby 1531

Chapter 1532: Different Room

The wedding ended on a happy note.

The despising looks on the Qi family's faces were gone and were replaced by smiling faces.

A lot of people went to get Jing Xi's autograph during the wedding.

Jing Xi stopped giving out autographs after signing a few.

"I'm not the main character, so that's all for today." Jing Xi gave an awkward smile.

The married couple left happily for their new home after the wedding while the guests returned to their own homes.

Ye Xun was driving while Huo Sanyan sat next to him.

When Huo Sanyan noticed Ye Xun was not in the best of moods, she thought he was already missing his sister.

"Aren't you supposed to be happy that your baby sister is married now?" Huo Sanyan asked, trying to cheer him up.

"What's there to be happy? She's married, and I'm still not!" Ye Xun scolded.

"You could just find a girl you really like and marry her," Huo Sanyan said.

"Yeah, and I like you a lot."

"Stop joking around. We are at most friends with benefits."

Huo Sanyan had never thought of spending the rest of her life with Ye Xun.

Realizing that Huo Sanyan had said that without even giving it any thought, Ye Xun could only feel pain in his heart.

As soon as they reached Ye Xun's seaside mansion, Ye Xun went straight to the second floor without even paying any attention to Huo Sanyan.

Ye Xun would usually carry Huo Sanyan over to the stool outside the door and help her remove her shoes before going in. But he was different that day, as he did not even open the door for her.

It seemed to Huo Sanyan that Ye Xun was really angry.

But she was happy, as it meant that Ye Xun would ignore her.

It wasn't until it was time to sleep that Huo Sanyan noticed Ye Xun was not in the master bedroom either. Without him next to her in the huge bed, she suddenly felt cold.

Ye Xun would usually warm the bed for her, and without that, the bed was too cold for her to sleep in.

It was almost midnight, and Ye Xun was still nowhere to be found.

Beaten by her curiosity, Huo Sanyan left the bed and went to look for Ye Xun.

She finally found him in the guest room next door, and he was already sound asleep.

Huo Sanyan was left speechless as she could not believe Ye Xun would sleep by himself.

Angered by the man ignoring her, Huo Sanyan closed the door. Ye Xun, who was pretending to be asleep, thought that Huo Sanyan had left, but he was wrong.

Huo Sanyan climbed into the bed and under the sheet, lying next to Ye Xun.

“Hey! What are you doing?” Ye Xun scolded. “What are you doing here?”

“Do you even know how cold the bed was without you there?” Huo Sanyan said as she hugged Ye Xun from behind like a koala bear.

“...” Ye Xun could not even believe the nerve Huo Sanyan had. “Yanyan, am I just a heater for you?”

Chapter 1533: Loving Her As Much As He Could

Ye Xun wondered when he would become the most important one to Huo Sanyan, rather than merely a sleep partner on call.

Huo Sanyan did not get his point. She simply replied, “No, no, no. You are my personal stove. It feels so cold without you.”

Stove?

What was the difference between a stove and an electric blanket?

An electric blanket is at least something you sleep on. A stove is merely a stove!

So he was not even like an electric blanket to her!

Ye Xun was completely pissed off. He turned over her and asked madly, “Are you heartless? Am I merely like a stove to you?”

“What else do you want? Not a stove, but a volcano?”

“Exactly! I am a volcano. And I'm erupting tonight!”

Ye Xun bit her lip madly and punished her for her words.

“Hey...oh... It hurts! Are you a dog? Let go of me!”

“No way! You came to me first!”

Ye Xun said nothing further, but erupted with love and anger and overwhelmed her.

Inside the Yunjing Villa.

Ying Bao had been put to bed and Little Grape was with his nanny.

They both had a shower and were finally relaxed.

Thinking of Ye Xun, Jing Xi said to her husband, "Honey, Second Brother seemed very upset tonight."

"His sister was getting married and he was the last one to know. Of course he was upset. But I guess there is something else."

"What is that?"

"My third sister! His sister already got married. But he is still single. How could he not be upset? Plus, my sister has been very insensitive and has taken him for granted. He has every reason to be mad."

Huo Yunshen did know Ye Xun well.

Jing Xi was putting on some cream. She looked at her husband in the mirror and asked, "So what should we do? Shall we try to help?"

Huo Yunshen came and cuddled her from behind. He looked back into the mirror and replied, "Let them take care of their own business. If Ye Xun cannot handle my third sister, what's the point of him having an IQ of 180?"

"Yes, you are right."

"I think we should also mind our own business now."

Huo Yunshen pushed her creams and lotions onto the ground and lifted her onto the dresser.

Jing Xi cried at her broken bottles and jars and complained, "Hey, my cream bottles, they're broken!"

"I'm buying you new ones tomorrow!"

What? Such a wastrel!

Jing Xi could not help scorning, "You wastrel!"

"Don't you love me for what I am?"

"I do!" But she also loved her money.

Getting a satisfying answer, the man started caressing her. Their romantic encounter was reflected in the mirror.

It was fervently intimate.

Ever since Jing Xi had moved on from the tragedy, Huo Yunshen did whatever he could to love her. As long as she was not having her period, they did it almost every night.

He claimed that it was to help her sleep better.

And it was indeed helpful. Jing Xi never suffered again and slept tight every night.

Chapter 1534: Another Ace Up Her Sleeves

It was almost a year after what had happened with Little Apple.

Huo Yunshen knew that Jing Xi had only buried that sadness and did not forget about it.

But as long as it remained buried, Jing Xi would still be able to live happily.

The word “apple” had become a taboo in their family.

They would never eat apples nor did they have any art related to apples. Huo Yunshen even threw away all his Apple products.

As time flew, Christmas Eve arrived.

Huo Yunshen and Jing Xi were getting prepared for their plan.

The kids had already fallen asleep when they got home.

After the shower, Huo Yunshen knelt in front of his wife and was giving her a leg massage.

“Hubby, I'm planning to let my mother perform tomorrow,” Jing Xi said.

“Why's that?” Huo Yunshen asked.

Their original plan was to let Jing Xi pretend to be Jing Ruyue.

“I'm trying to fulfill her dream. I bet my dad wants to see mom on stage again,” Jing Xi said. “I will go on in her place only if she's not feeling well.”

“I see...” Huo Yunshen paused and nodded. “All right, we'll do that then.”

Since it was Jing Ruyue's comeback performance, there was nothing better than letting the real thing perform on stage.

“I'm a little worried she might not come tomorrow.” Jing Xi expressed her worries while clasping her hands.

She was worried that Lady White Tea might not get baited, even after they had been planning for so long.

“Don't worry. I'm sure that she will be frustrated when she sees the advertisement.”

“I hope so.”

“It's almost time to sleep,” Huo Yunshen said as his hands moved further upwards.

“Yes. It's going to be a battle tomorrow.”

Jing Xi lay down on the bed and was followed by Huo Yunshen.

“Shouldn't we encourage each other before the battle then?”

“What? I thought you said it was time to sleep.”

“Yes, I meant the other sleep.”

“But that's not what I meant!”

“What? You don't love me anymore?”

“Of course I do!”

“Me too.”

As the night fell, the couple “slept” through a beautiful night.

Jing Xi had recorded a massive advertisement as Jing Ruyue, and it was being broadcasted all around Estan.

A woman was staring at the screen as she was doing her best to hold back her anger.

The screen was showing an advertisement on a beauty product.

A beautiful woman stood at the beach as the wind softly breezed past her.

“Real beauty is that which can withstand time,” a beautiful voice said, coming from the advertisement, “and real love is one that can overcome time.”

Jing Ruyue slowly turned around to face the camera and continued, “And one with love and beauty is the true winner of all.”

The last four words made the woman looking at the screen erupted in anger.

She tore the papers in her hand and threw them into the air.

The woman swore that she would not let Jing Ruyue have a happy ending.

She still had an ace up her sleeve.

Chapter 1535: A Big Surprise

It was Christmas again, December 25th.

A day of grief and regret.

It was Jing Xi's birthday, as well as her two boys'. Moreover, it was the day Little Apple went missing.

No one wanted to celebrate. But the elderly people prepared the grabbing game for Little Grape as a traditional way of celebrating a baby's first birthday.

The couple invited Jing Xi's grandfather and uncle, as well as Huo Yunshen's two sisters to witness the game.

The lunch was hosted in the presidential palace. After lunch, Jing Ruyue placed various objects on the mat and covered them with a piece of red silk.

Then they put Little Grape on the mat and asked him to go pick something up.

They all took out their phones to record this interesting game and encouraged Little Grape to start.

“Brother, come, come! There is lots of good stuff here!”

Ying Bao squatted at the other end of the red cloth and tried to attract Little Grape.

Little Grape seemed have understood his sister's words and started crawling. When he reached the edge of the red cloth Ying Bao uncovered it as her grandmother instructed. “There you go! Pick one, brother!”

There was a pen, a toy, a phone, an abacus, some cash, a book, and a boiled egg.

“Little Grape, hurry up! Pick something!”

“Come on, son!”

Everyone was encouraging him. Little Grape looked around but picked nothing.

Instead, he stood up unsteadily, reached out his arms and walked toward Jing Xi.

He had barely walked two or three steps before he fell by his mother's feet and cuddled on her leg.

“Haha, what is this about? You picked your mommy?”

Jing Xi was made speechless.

He was probably the only one who had picked his mother in the game throughout a hundred years.

Everyone burst into laughter. But Huo Sanyan realized something and got excited. “Wow! Didn't you see that? My nephew just took his first steps!”

“Oh, yeah! He walked there by himself just now. Didn't he?”

Then Jing Xi realized that her son was finally making his first steps on his one year birthday. It was a big surprise.

They were all amazed. Helian Qingyu put him back onto the mat and said seriously, “Hey, boy. No matter how you like your mother, you are not growing up into a mama's boy. OK? Come on, let's do it again. Be tough and pick something from there.”

Under their encouragement, Little Grape was asked to play again.

To everyone's surprise, he still picked nothing this time, as if the things were of no interest at all. Instead, he crawled toward Jing Xi and cuddled her leg once again.

Jing Xi lifted him up and laughed. “What happened? Why are you so into me today? Are you a compass and I the north pole?”

They could not help laughing. Huo Sanyan said, "Does Little Grape have a mommy GPS? He can locate his mother instantly. That is also something impressive!"

"How could that be possible? Let's try again!"

Helian Qingyu wanted to play a new game called Little Grape Looking For Mother.

He asked the women to sit on the mat, each with a scarf covering their face.

Again, Little Grape found his mother without difficulty.

"That was amazing! Did he recognize your clothes? Let's try switching your clothes."

Jing Xi switched her clothes with Huo Sanyan and stayed behind the couch to watch.

They placed the boy on the mat again and asked him to find his mother.

Chapter 1536: Jealous and Furious

Little Grape showed something that other kids did not have. He climbed over all the other ladies and moved towards the couch.

He laughed when he found his mother.

"Wow! You're really something!" Jing Xi exclaimed as she hugged her son, picked him up and kissed his cheek. "My son is amazing!"

"Could it be that my nephew might actually be a genius?" Huo Sanyan said with a disbelieving face.

Having lived a longer life than most people in the room, it was Jing Ruyue's first time seeing a kid that would only want his mother instead of toys or foods.

"Even though his growth might be hindered, he does have a good brain!" Jing Ruyue said.

"No, he has a good nose!" Helian Wei corrected.

Everyone laughed, as Helian Wei made it sound like Little Grape was a puppy,

The party ended, and the guests left while Jing Xi stayed at the mansion for a little longer. She wanted to play with her son more.

She guessed that her son was sticking to her because she had been ignoring him a lot for the past few weeks.

Thinking that there might be dangers during the music performance later that night, she wanted to spend as much time as she could with Little Grape.

Jing Xi and her husband remained at the mansion for the whole afternoon. Helian Qingyu was there too, spending his hard-earned day off with his family.

Helian Qingyu picked up Little Grape at one point and threw him up in the air, catching him as he fell. Little Grape laughed, as he liked the game a lot.

“Uncle Three! I want to play that too,” Ying Bao pouted when she saw her little brother having fun.

“All right, one at a time.”

Helian Qingyu handed Little Grape over to Jing Xi and picked up Ying Bao.

Since Little Grape was only one year old, he was very light, but Ying Bao was different.

Even though Helian Qingyu struggled a little, because of his intense training every day, he could still pick her up without much trouble.

Ying Bao laughed happily as she flew up and down in the air.

Helian Qingyu continued to play with the children until he was covered in sweat. He later sat back down on the couch and wiped the sweat off his forehead.

“I realized you like children a lot,” Jing Xi said, seeing the happy face on Helian Qingyu.

“It depends on whose children they are.” Helian Qingyu smiled.

“Don't you have one yourself too?” Jing Xi said, pointing at Little Grape. “Ruochu's baby is just two months younger than Little Grape, so he or she should be a cute little kid around 10 months old now.”

“...”

Helian Qingyu's mood worsened when he heard Jing Xi mentioning Li Ruochu.

“There's nothing cute about a baby that's not even mine,” Helian Qingyu scolded.

When he thought of Li Ruochu giving birth to a baby that belonged to another man, Helian Qingyu became jealous and furious.

“What do you mean by not yours? The only one Ruochu ever did that with is you, you know? That baby is definitely yours. You better go get her back, or else the baby might never know who his or her father is.”

“...”

It was as if Jing Xi's words packed a hefty punch, and it hit Helian Qingyu in the face.

Chapter 1537: What Should We Be Afraid Of?

What was his reaction when Li Ruochu told him that the baby was his?

He never believed her. And he even forced her to abort the baby. Perhaps that was why she decided to leave him for good.

Helian Qingyu was filled with regret now. He wanted to find Li Ruochu and make up for it.

But that woman was not giving him any chance. What could he do?

How difficult or even dangerous it would be for her to conceive the baby by herself in a strange country. Yet he had been clinging to his misunderstanding and hatred. How wretched he was!

Seeing Helian Qingyu clutching his head in regret, Jing Xi patted him on the shoulder and said, "Brother, stop regretting. Now you know what you should do and luckily it was not too late. Go find Ruochu and your baby and take your responsibility as a good husband and father. It's never too late! Come on, brother!"

Helian Qingyu said nothing further. But he took Jing Xi's words seriously.

When everything was settled he would definitely go and get that woman back.

They prepared an early dinner. After dinner Jing Xi was about to leave.

Before they left, Jing Xi cuddled her daughter and son and felt reluctant to get in the car.

"Sweetheart, stay home and wait for mommy!" Jing Xi told Ying Bao.

"Sure. Mommy, go for it! I'll wait for you here." Ying Bao clenched her little fist.

Handing the baby to the nanny, they left the presidential palace and headed for the national theatre.

Helian Wei would show up tonight for the concert, in order to confirm for the audience that it was Jing Ruyue herself giving the performance.

Jing Xi and her parents had planned it well secretly. Huo Yunshen took his men to get prepared.

Twenty thousand tickets were quickly sold out. So many people were waiting to see their violin goddess again after twenty years.

In the dressing room Jing Xi helped her mother put on perfect makeup for tonight.

When they finished the makeup and had her dressed, Jing Xi handed her Artemis.

Taking over the violin, Jing Ruyue very nervous and her hands were trembling. "Jing Xi, can I do this? It has been over 20 years. I'm afraid I will screw it up."

"Don't be afraid, mother. You should remember that we are here to save more people's lives rather than merely giving a performance. What should we be afraid of?"

Jing Xi tried to calm her down. Jing Ruyue nodded. "Right. I got it."

She hugged her mother once again and had her sent to a safe place.

Then she sat down and started to put on her own makeup. She was quick and skillful. After a short while another Jing Ruyue was sitting there instead of Jing Xi.

She got ready and sat there waiting for Yun Xuerou. They knew that Yun Xuerou would never stand aside and watch Jing Ruyue give the performance.

She definitely would not wish her success.

It was a gamble whether Yun Xuerou would come tonight.

Time passed by. There was only half an hour left before the concert would start.

No one showed up. What if Yun Xuerou did not come?

While Jing Xi was wondering, someone asked to see Miss Jing.

The person was escorted in. Jing Xi saw it was Lan Ling-Er instead of Yun Xuerou herself.

Chapter 1538: An Ending

Lan Ling'er did not know of Jing Xi's plan and had no idea that the Jing Ruyue she was meeting face to face with was actually Jing Xi in disguise.

"Auntie Jing, nice to meet you."

"Who are you?" Jing Xi asked, mimicking Jing Ruyue's voice as she looked at Lan Ling'er in the mirror.

"That's not important. I'm here because someone has an important message to give you," Lan Ling'er said.

"What's the message?" Jing Xi turned around and asked.

"It's all written in here."

Lan Ling'er handed Jing Xi a letter with Jing Ruyue's name written on the envelope.

Jing Xi opened it and read through the contents.

The letter basically mentioned that Jing Ruyue had to go to the Mangshan Canyon if she wanted to learn where her other child was.

As expected, Yun Xuerou used her trump card to lure Jing Ruyue to her.

She even chose the place where Little Apple had gone missing.

Jing Xi decided that she could listen to what Yun Xuerou had to say and learn where her brother was before taking her down.

"Did she send you?" Jing Xi asked, pretending to be surprised. "Do you know where she is? She mentioned that she's going to wait for me at Mangshan Canyon... Can you take me there?"

"I can...," Lan Ling'er replied. "But I hope you can bring Jing Xi or Huo Yunshen with us too. It's too dangerous for you to go alone."

Lan Ling'er had been forced to play the messenger role by her aunt. It was something she didn't want to do, and she definitely did not want to see Jing Xi's family getting hurt.

“Don't worry. Just lead the way!”

Jing Xi was holding back on the information that her husband and other JS members were laying out traps waiting for Yun Xuerou to bite.

All they wanted to do was to end whatever happened between Jing Ruyue and Yun Xuerou.

Apprehending Yun Xuerou was their actual goal.

Jing Xi followed Lan Ling'er out. Since they were prepared for it, no one tried to stop them.

They went into Lan Ling'er's car and drove towards the north of Estan.

Half an hour after they had departed, the performance began.

Jing Ruyue stood on the stage with Artemis in her hands.

She felt a little dizzy after a 20-year hiatus. She was now standing in front of a huge crowd again.

But it was her daughter's words before she went onto the stage that calmed her down.

Jing Ruyue rested Artemis on her shoulder and closed her eyes. The notes were already forming in her head, and she began to play the violin.

She believed that music has the power to give strength to people's souls.

So, she started with a piece that was about winning and success, praying that her daughter could be successful in her mission and return safely.

The car stopped at Mangshan. Jing Xi and Lan Ling'er got out of the car and walked towards the canyon.

They finally arrived at the canyon that looked like a Chinese dragon sleeping among the mountains. It was giving out an eerie and mysterious vibe to whoever visited there.

“Wait for me here.”

Chapter 1539: Pay For It

Jing Xi asked Lan Ling-Er to wait there and patted her on the shoulder.

“Auntie Jing, be careful,” Lan Ling-Er said.

“I'll be fine.”

Jing Xi was not afraid at all. Knowing that Huo Yunshen and his men had surrounded the place, she was full of courage.

She headed for the canyon, toward the darkness where she'd lost her Little Apple.

She said to him secretly, Baby, mommy's coming to see you.

Mommy won't let you die for nothing. She will pay for it today.

Jing Xi stepped resolutely on the rubble that made clashing noises.

When she arrived at the peak, she called out, "Yun Xuerou! Here I am! Where are you?"

No one showed up. She continued, "Don't you dare to come out? You rat! You could only hide in the darkness, in places as dirty as your heart. You don't even have the guts to come out and meet me in person! Do you know that you have lost it all? You coward!"

The challenge worked!

Soon enough a white figure wearing a veil came out of the darkness, and stood not far from Jing Xi.

"Jing – Ru – Yue!"

Yun Xuerou uttered the name with her teeth gnashed.

"What are you trying to do?"

Yun Xuerou could not tell that it was Jing Xi in disguise as her mother.

She had gotten Jing Ru Yue here and thought that everything was under her control. So she was already indulging herself in the joy of success.

"Jing Ruyue, you stayed unconscious for seventeen years. But when you woke up you stole my husband, my son and my family. You took everything from me! I was underestimating you.

"I should have killed you back then, rather than making myself such troubles till today.

"I hate you!

"Jing Ruyue, do you have any idea how much I hate you?"

Yun Xuerou yelled at her hysterically. But Jing Xi was not the least bit disturbed. "Your husband and your family? They never belonged to you. You played dirty and took them from me. It should be me hating you. If it was not for you, I wouldn't have been separated from Feng for over twenty years. My boy wouldn't have been taken away from me when he was born. It was all you! You are the only one to blame!"

"Haha... I guess you wouldn't have come if it was not for your son!"

Yun Xuerou burst into laughter. The night breeze took away her veil and uncovered her pale and ferocious face.

"Tell me! Where is my son now?"

Jing Xi seemed anxious.

"Come here. I'll tell you."

Yun Xuerou beckoned to her.

Jing Xi thought for a few seconds. Then she determined that she'd have to take the risk and go to Yun Xuerou.

Before Jing Xi came too close, Yun Xuerou was already pointing a gun at her.

“Haha... I told you, you are stupid! You risked your life to come to me. Isn't that stupid?”

Meanwhile, Yun Xuerou's men showed up behind her like ghosts. One of them was holding a cloth bag in his arms.

“I think it's too early to say who the stupid one is.”

Yun Xuerou could barely finish her laughter before Jing Xi kicked her gun into the valley.

With the weapon gone Yun Xuerou was startled. She was surprised and wondered how Jing Ruyue could have become so nimble all of a sudden.

Chapter 1540: Baited

What was more surprising was that Yun Xuerou was suddenly surrounded by mercenaries.

She looked around and spotted Huo Yunshen and Helian Qingyu among them.

It was then that Yun Xuerou finally realized she'd been baited.

It was supposed to be her win. She could've tricked Jing Ruyue out and killed her, but in the end, she was actually the one being targeted.

And she had never expected that one of the people that was coming after her was someone she had raised for more than 20 years.

It was beyond her imagination that Jing Xi would actually disguise as Jing Ruyue and come in her mother's place, and even now, she still had no idea that the Jing Ruyue standing in front of her wasn't the real one.

Huo Yunshen arrived at the canyon as soon as he got Jing Xi's message and had been waiting in the dark for Yun Xuerou to appear.

Realizing that things were going sideways, Yun Xuerou ordered her guards to catch Jing Xi.

As Yun Xuerou's guards inched towards Jing Xi, Huo Yunshen ran over and stood in front of his wife.

“I'll take care of them!” Huo Yunshen shouted.

“Be careful!” Jing Xi shouted back.

Hearing Jing Ruyue's voice suddenly change, Yun Xuerou finally understood what was happening.

“You aren't Jing Ruyue! You're Jing Xi!” Yun Xuerou scolded.

That was the only possible explanation Yun Xuerou could find.

“Not bad.” Jing Xi said with a smirk.

Huo Yunshen took care of the guards that were thinking about taking his wife like they were nothing more than a couple of insects.

“Yun Xuerou! I'll give you one more chance!” Jing Xi shouted. “Tell me where my brother is, and you won't suffer much!”

“Do you really think I expect that you will let me go?” Yun Xuerou scolded and turned to Helian Qingyu. “Are you siding with them? Against your mother?”

Helian Qingyu was not in the plan from the beginning; it was he who had volunteered to join them.

“You better turn yourself in while you can. It's over now,” Helian Qingyu persuaded.

“You bastard! How dare you betray your own mother! The Gods will punish you for it!” Yun Xuerou cursed.

Helian Qingyu turned away in pain and left the rest to Jing Xi.

“Yun Xuerou! It's time to end this!” Jing Xi yelled.

Without giving Yun Xuerou any chance to react, Jing Xi rushed forwards and kicked Yun Xuerou to the ground. Jing Xi then kneeled on top of Yue Xuerou and began to slap her face back and forth.

The slaps did not stop until the blood had messed up Yun Xuerou's face.

“Tell me where my brother is!” Jing Xi scolded.

But Yun Xuerou only replied to Jing Xi's question with laughs.

“What? You still want more, is that it?”

Jing Xi continued to hit Yun Xuerou, but the latter was not about to give up.

“You will never meet your son if I die!” Yun Xuerou threatened while being hit.

“What?”

Jing Xi's hands finally stopped.