

Priceless Baby 421

Chapter 421: Their Relationship Deepened

Xu Xiyao did not want him to apologize.

She was definitely shocked by his sudden kiss.

When she first kissed him, it was with restraint...she'd never thought that the man would suddenly kiss her back.

And the kiss was wilder than she could've ever imagined, as if it was about to break every bone in her.

She'd always thought of Huo Yunshen as a warm and gentle kind of man. There was no way she would expect him to be so aggressive when it came to kissing.

Xu Xiyao calmed herself down as she tried to cool her face by swinging her palm as a fan. She knew that her face was very red without looking at herself in the mirror.

It was so embarrassing that she couldn't raise her head and look at his eyes anymore.

"All right, I'm done treating your wounds," Xu Xiyao said as she tried to change the awkward atmosphere. "Your house is quite messy now, sit down and stay there while I clean your house."

Xu Xiyao turned and started to sweep the floor.

Huo Yunshen looked at the back of the girl who was working and coughed lightly as his face started to heat up.

He licked his own lips, trying to taste the wild kiss with all of his heart.

He felt fulfilled, but he also despised himself for taking advantage of the girl who was trying to encourage him.

But since Xu Xiyao was the one who had kissed him first, he had to repay her with a kiss out of courtesy. But with those two kisses, their relationship had changed entirely.

Xu Xiyao was fast with her hands, and the house was clean in a few minutes. She'd placed all the stuff that wasn't broken back to where it used to be and threw out everything that couldn't be used anymore.

"Mr. Huo, I think you'll have to get a new table and a few lamps," Xu Xiyao said as she came back from throwing the last garbage out.

"Okay," Huo Yunshen replied as he raised his bandaged hands up. "Why don't you help me choose?"

"Sure thing, leave it to me," Xu Xiyao said. "I'll buy them online. But before that, you'll have to clean yourself up and change into a new set of clothes, all right?"

"Yeah." Huo Yunshen would now always agree to anything Xu Xiyao would say.

No matter how trivial the things were, it would always be important as long as he did it with Xu Xiyao.

Xu Xiyan carried him back to his wheelchair and pushed him into the bathroom.

Xu Xiyan was about to prepare a hot bath for Huo Yunshen when he remembered that he would have a hard time removing his clothes.

"I'll just simply wipe my body," Huo Yunshen suggested. "I'll ask Yi Xiao to help me shower later."

"Okay."

Xu Xiyan respected his decision as she would also feel embarrassed if Huo Yunshen were to remove all of his clothes.

She dipped a towel into the hot water and helped him clean the blood off his face. She later wiped his muscular body clean while trying to avoid the wounds on his knees.

She was thorough yet gentle. Huo Yunshen closed his eyes to enjoy the moment.

As Xu Xiyan's fingers touched his body occasionally, he could feel a current running through him.

Xu Xiyan's face was already as red as a tomato when she'd finished wiping his body clean.

"I'll go get you some new clothes," Xu Xiyan said, throwing the towel down and running out of the bathroom. She was afraid that she might pounce at him if she stayed in there any longer with his naked body exposed.

Huo Yunshen lowered his head and looked at his thing between his legs. It was already standing up high and mighty.

The hell! My body is not listening to me...

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Chapter 422: Staring at Him

Is she embarrassed because she saw this? Huo Yunshen asked himself. Shit! This is going to leave a bad impression on her.

Just as Huo Yunshen was cursing at himself, Xu Xiyan returned with a set of new clothes. She'd brought him a button down shirt because of the state of his hands.

Huo Yunshen put on the white shirt, and it instantly made him look more attractive.

Xu Xiyan helped him button his shirt, leaving the top two unbuttoned.

"Very charming," Xu Xiyan complimented after taking two steps back.

"Thank you," Huo Yunshen smiled. Her compliment was even sweeter than candy.

He was feeling much better, even the pain of his wounds had lessened.

"Have you eaten?" Xu Xiyan asked as she pushed him out of the bathroom, but did not wait for him to reply. "There's an 80% chance that you haven't. Why don't we eat together?"

“Okay,” Huo Yunshen nodded happily, as he missed her foods.

Xu Xiyan pushed him back to the living room, got a glass of water for him and went into the kitchen.

She opened the fridge only to find just a few ingredients left in it.

“Mr. Huo, why don't we go to my place?” Xu Xiyan asked. “There are more ingredients there.”

“Sure thing,” Huo Yunshen replied. I'll go wherever you tell me to, even if it's hell.

Xu Xiyan smiled at him and pushed him through the crystal door and into Room 102.

She helped Huo Yunshen to the couch and went into her own kitchen.

After she'd finished cooking, she went to the living room to call for Huo Yunshen only to find him sleeping on the couch.

“Mr...” Xu Xiyan wanted to wake him but did not do so. She understood that he was under immense pressure and had been rushing in and out of the hospital for the past few days.

She decided to let him sleep as much as he wanted.

Xu Xiyan went into her room and found a blanket for Huo Yunshen. She laid the blanket over him and kneeled beside him, looking at him with her gentle eyes.

She could only stare at his handsome face without any worries when he was asleep.

Even though Huo Yunshen was thoroughly spent, it still did not mask his charming face.

Xu Xiyan reached out her fingers and touched his eyebrows.

He's really good looking. It would be best if I could look at him every day.

Xu Xiyan could feel her eyelids getting heavier as she appreciated the charming man in front of her.

As the sky became darker and the street lamps turned on, the house remained dark.

Huo Yunshen was having a nightmare. It was a reflection of the life that he'd been having up until then.

He found himself deserted in the wilderness, and the last person to leave him alone was Xu Xiyan.

“I'm leaving, Mr. Huo,” Xu Xiyan said as she cried.

“Where are you going? Are you going to leave me alone too?” Huo Yunshen asked in pain. It was his first time to see her in such a saddened state.

“Why should I stay? Did you ever care for me? What am I to you?”

Chapter 423: Feed Him with Her Mouth

In the dream, Xu Xiyan was standing a few meters away from Huo Yunshen. Her hair covered half of her face as the wind blew, masking her sadness.

Huo Yunshen had no idea how to respond to her question.

Confessing his own feelings had never been something he was good at.

Because of his hesitation, disappointment could be seen in Xu Xiyao's eyes. She did not say anything and slowly turned away.

Huo Yunshen looked at her fading back and finally lost himself.

"Jing Xi! Don't go! Please!" Huo Yunshen shouted. "You're too important to me! I don't know how to live without you... Jing Xi..."

Huo Yunshen woke up from his dream, his heart beating faster than a bullet as his sweat had soaked through his white shirt.

"Jing Xi, don't leave me..." Huo Yunshen mumbled. He was already at his limit, he was about to break down from the fear of losing Xu Xiyao.

Suddenly, the lights turned on and lit the whole room up.

Huo Yunshen squinted and turned to see a thin girl standing near the light switch smiling at him.

"Jing Xi, you're still here?" Huo Yunshen asked as he wiped the tears from his face.

"Of course I am," Xu Xiyao smiled. "This is my house."

Xu Xiyao had also fallen asleep. It was Huo Yunshen's mumbling that woke her up. She'd guessed that he was having a nightmare and went to turn on the lights.

"Mr. Huo, what were you saying just now?" Xu Xiyao asked with a smile as she slowly walked towards him. "Can you repeat that again?"

"..." Huo Yunshen still had a few memories of the dream he'd had and still remembered how he'd begged for Xu Xiyao to stay.

There was no way that he could say that out loud in front of her now that he was awake.

"What? What did I say just now?" Huo Yunshen asked and began to act like an idiot.

Xu Xiyao rested her arms and head beside him and looked at him with her starry eyes.

"Don't you remember?" Xu Xiyao joked. "You were calling my name, begging me to not leave you and saying that I'm important to you."

Xu Xiyao regretted not recording his dream talk to replay it for him to hear.

In her heart, she was happy. Even if Huo Yunshen was saying those things because he was dreaming, it was still worth it to hear those words come from his mouth.

"..." Huo Yunshen's face reddened. It was both awkward and embarrassing.

"I'm just joking," Xu Xiyao laughed as she tried to help him with his awkwardness.

"But I'm not joking at all," Huo Yunshen said. Those were his true feelings, there was no way that he was joking about it.

"I got it." Xu Xiyan smiled and got up. "Now that you're awake, I'll go heat up the food."

In just a few minutes, Xu Xiyan placed what was supposed to have been lunch on the table as their dinner. She went back to the living room and pushed Huo Yunshen to the dining table.

Xu Xiyan filled a bowl with rice, picked up a few vegetables with her chopsticks and was about to feed Huo Yunshen when he stopped her without thinking.

"I can eat on my own."

"If you can pick your own chopsticks up," Xu Xiyan smiled.

"Oh..." Huo Yunshen looked at his bandaged hands.

"I'll feed you."

Xu Xiyan spooned up a spoon of rice and placed the vegetables on top.

Yet, Huo Yunshen did not open his mouth even when the food was already next to it.

"Come on, don't be embarrassed about it," Xu Xiyan laughed. "If you don't want to eat with a spoon, how about I feed you with my mouth?"

Chapter 424: A Secret Between Them

After hearing what she had said, Huo Yunshen flushed in embarrassment. He immediately opened his mouth and ate the food on the spoon, swallowing it down without chewing in his haste.

"Cough cough cough..."

He ate too fast and choked on the food. He couldn't stop coughing.

"Hey, slow down! See, you're choking now!"

Xu Xiyan thumped on his back to help him clear his throat, then gave him a sip of water.

"Sorry."

Huo Yunshen was sorry for his clumsiness. If she hadn't said that she was going to feed him directly with her mouth, he wouldn't have choked.

He sighed to himself inwardly. This girl could easily cause him to lose control.

Xu Xiyan sniggered. She realized that Huo Yunshen was really sensitive. This man was so cute whenever he was shy!

But on the other hand, was she being too mischievous?

Was she behaving anything like a graceful lady?

After he stopped coughing, Xu Xiyan encouraged him as she continued to feed him, "Eat more, Mr. Huo. You'll only have energy when you eat enough. You still have a hard battle to fight tomorrow."

Yes.

There was a hard battle waiting for him tomorrow.

As Huo Yunshen thought of that, he began to eat in big mouthfuls, taking his meal seriously.

After dinner, Xu Xiyan sent Huo Yunshen back to his apartment. Yi Xiao had come over so she went back to her apartment.

At night, Xu Xiyan lay on her bed, too excited to sleep.

Her heart thumped wildly in her chest as she replayed the way Huo Yunshen had kissed her passionately earlier in the day in her mind.

On the bedside table, the screen of her mobile phone lit up. Xu Xiyan picked it up and looked at the screen. It was her daughter Ying Bao.

"Hello?" Xu Xiyan said softly after accepting the call. The little girl's tender and childish voice came over the phone, "Xi Baby, are you done shooting? Have you eaten yet? Are you sleeping yet?"

The little girl blurted all three questions in one breath. It just showed how much she cared for her mother. Xu Xiyan felt her heart melting with her warmth. She replied, "Yeah, I'm done with today's shoot and I'm about to go to sleep. Are you in bed now?"

"No. Baby has been waiting for your call. Why didn't you call me?" The little girl asked in her babyish voice, but Xu Xiyan could hear the disappointment in her tone.

Xu Xiyan remembered. She had promised her daughter that she would call her after she was done filming today, but had forgotten to do so because she had to take care of Huo Yunshen.

She felt really sorry and could not help but feel remorse deeply. "I'm so sorry, Mommy was too busy and forgot."

"Well all right, Baby can forgive you, but on one condition."

Did she hear that right? The kid actually wanted to discuss terms with her?

So young yet already so shrewd! Where had she learned that from!?

Xu Xiyan turned to lie on her other side, passing her mobile phone to her other hand. "Okay, what conditions?" she said lazily.

"Take me to see Uncle Dimples," the little girl said in a serious tone over the phone.

Okay. Xu Xiyan was impressed.

How could she not be? Wasn't this a special telepathy-like connection between father and daughter? Or was it because blood runs thicker than water?

Ever since her daughter had met Huo Yunshen, she would always whine about wanting to see him. Xu Xiyan thought that the little girl would forget about him after not seeing him for a long time, yet she still remembered him all this while.

"Tell me, why must you want to see Uncle Dimples?" Xu Xiyan decided to play along.

"Baby has something very important to tell Uncle Dimples."

The little girl's tone was especially serious. Xu Xiyan could picture her cute little face becoming all serious. It must be very funny to see.

"What do you want to tell him? Can you tell Mommy?" Xu Xiyan pressed on.

"No. It's a secret between me and Uncle Dimples."

In reality, Xu Xiyan was the one who did not understand Ying Bao. Although Ying Bao was young, she had a precocious mind and already had her own ideas.

She had already found her goal...

Chapter 425: Mommy's Sweet Baby Girl

She had found her goal. She wanted to buy the best daddy in the world, and that candidate was Uncle Dimples.

Xu Xiyan felt like laughing, but she continued to play along, pretending to cry. "Oh? You and Uncle Dimples are already sharing secrets? Don't you love me anymore? Boohoo... Mommy is so miserable..."

There was a moment of silence on the other side of the call. Finally, the little girl felt sorry for her mother and gave in. "Mommy, please don't cry. Baby will tell you now: Baby wanted to see Uncle Dimples because Baby wanted to buy him and bring him home for you."

"Huh?" Her daughter's words struck her like lightning. She asked again, "Baby, do you really want to buy Uncle Dimples?"

"Yeah, Uncle Dimples is the gentlest and the kindest man I've ever seen, He is the most suitable person to become Baby's daddy."

Xu Xiyan was very surprised. She didn't think that her daughter strongly believed in Huo Yunshen. The little girl had apparently reserved the post of her daddy for him.

For a moment, she almost blurted out and told her daughter that Uncle Dimples was her real father!

In fact, the other reason why Ying Bao liked Huo Yunshen was that she liked his dimples. His dimples were just like hers and it made her feel close to him.

Xu Xiyan thought that her daughter was only being naïve. She asked again, "Why do you think Uncle Dimples is good? Are you not bothered by his legs?"

There was a pause at the other end. Then, decisively and firmly, the little girl said, "Uncle Dimples will definitely learn to walk."

Xu Xiyan snorted a laugh, amused by the little girl's naivety. If Ying Bao was by her side, she would have immediately hugged her and showered her with kisses.

She was Mommy's sweet baby girl, all right!

And the man her baby girl liked was also the one she liked too. Isn't that great?

At the same time, Xu Xiyan deeply believed that a child's mind is pure and innocent. They always meant it when they said what they like or dislike. Their opinions were rarely affected by external conditions.

Perhaps Ying Bao saw Huo Yunshen as a perfect father. It had nothing to do with his wheelchair.

At the end of the conversation, Xu Xiyan told her daughter to wait patiently for a few more days. After she had settled her work, she would take her to see Uncle Dimples.

After hanging up the call, Xu Xiyan let out a long sigh of relief. She then closed her eyes, the image of Huo Yunshen appearing in her mind.

She could imagine the three of them being together as a happy family.

How wonderful would that be!

She really looked forward to that. When would be a good time to tell him about Ying Bao?

Perhaps she should at least wait until after tomorrow—after dealing with the trouble in Yunhai Entertainment.

She wondered what Huo Yunshen had come up with. How was he going to deal with Huo Jingtang tomorrow?

The next day, in the Yunhai Entertainment Building, an extraordinary general meeting was being held at the conference center.

Shareholders of Yunhai Entertainment sat at both sides of the long table while Huo Jingtang sat at the head of the table.

While the meeting had yet to begin, the shareholders whispered and murmured amongst themselves, speculating about the purpose of the meeting.

Some of the major shareholders had been persuaded by Huo Jingtang and they would definitely vote for him during the voting process.

There was also a small number who were loyal to Huo Yunshen and Huo Xun, ones which he had not been able to entice.

But those people were only a small part of the shareholder group and there weren't enough of them to actually pose a threat to him.

Huo Jingtang's secretary was the host of the meeting. He stood up and turned to face everyone. "Good day everyone. As you all know, the Huo family is going through troubled times at the moment, and a

new capable leader must be selected to carry the company on. Everybody knows the physical condition of our president, Huo Yunshen. He has been absent from his duties for a long time due to his injuries, and it is not known whether he will return to Yunhai. So for the sake of Yunhai's development and future, I would like to invite every one of you to re-elect someone for the post of president today."

He had made it sound as though they were going to re-elect a new president. But in fact, the real aim was to remove the current president.

Chapter 426: Heart Of A Wolf

A wave of murmuring came from the attendees down the table. The shareholders who were supporting Huo Yunshen had objections and were expressing their disapproval of the re-election.

Huo Jingtang sat at the head of the table, silent as he watched those who were voicing their disapproval.

Very well. He shall remember those who were opposing. Once he became president, they would be the first to be fired.

His secretary continued, "Forced by such circumstances, Yunhai Entertainment is in need of someone capable to take charge and lead the company forward. If the company continues to be this disorganized, I believe that in one or two years, Yunhai will collapse on its own without interference from the outside world. Is this the outcome that everyone wants to see?"

While the secretary was still explaining, someone barged into the conference room. It was none other than the director of Yunhai Entertainment's Public Relations department, Huo Sanyan.

Furious, she strode in towards Huo Jingtang and jabbed a finger at his nose.

"Huo Jingtang! What do you think you're doing? Are you trying to remove Yunshen by holding this general meeting?"

In the past few days, Huo Sanyan had been going back and forth between the hospital and the company. She had been too busy to realize what was going on.

But she had sensed that something was wrong with the company. If the staff from her department hadn't informed her, she wouldn't have learned that Huo Jingtang was holding a general meeting without the consent of her grandfather, father, and brother.

"Director Huo, you're not supposed to be here. Leave!" Huo Jingtang ordered her, with a voice that sounded as if it held the authority of a president.

"No, I'm not leaving! Huo Jingtang, you better have a good explanation! Is this how you handle affairs? Though Grandpa and my father are not here, my brother is still around. Since when was it your turn to become so rampant? Who do you think you are?"

Huo Sanyan placed her hands on her hips, showing off her superiority over Huo Jingtang. After all, unlike him, she was a legitimate child of the family. She was not going to let them have this meeting in peace.

"Mind your words, Huo Sanyan. I am currently the vice president of Yunhai and presently carrying out the president's duties. If I am not qualified, who else is?"

Huo Jingtang narrowed his dark eyes as he stared at Huo Sanyan. His eyes were full of warning.

Huo Sanyan was not afraid of him. She pointed at his nose and cursed, "You, you treacherous man! You're just like a usurper from feudal times and you have the savage heart of a wolf! I knew you were up to something rotten! Father is in a coma, Grandpa is hospitalized, and Yunshen is disabled. Is this how you plan to usurp power? While they're down and at a disadvantage?"

"Huo Sanyan, there's no place for your words here!" Huo Jingtang sneered, then immediately decreed, "Huo Sanyan, from this day, you're fired."

"Huo Jingtang! You dare fire me?" Huo Sanyan glared at him furiously.

Huo Jingtang's face was expressionless. There was a flash of hatred in his eyes as he ordered his staff, "Drag this irrelevant woman out of the company."

Huo Jingtang's men promptly grabbed hold of Huo Sanyan's arms and dragged her out of the conference center.

Huo Sanyan continued to curse as she struggled to free herself on the way out. "Huo Jingtang! You're a bastard! You're not human..."

The door of the conference room once again slammed shut and silence returned to the room. Huo Jingtang said to his secretary, "Continue the meeting." His eyes swept down the table, then added, "Whoever is displeased, you're welcome to emulate Director Huo."

They all exchanged looks, but no one dared to say anything. They were afraid of losing their seats in the company.

They had witnessed Huo Jingtang's merciless act. He had even dared to execute his own family members. Was there anything else that he couldn't do?

The meeting continued. Those who were on Huo Jingtang's side began to voice their support and demanded to re-elect a new president.

At this point of the meeting, the voices of the opposition were overwhelmed and ignored as the voting began.

Other than the current president, Huo Yunshen, Huo Jingtang was the only other candidate on the candidate's list.

The objective was very clear. It was either they re-elect Huo Yunshen, or promote Huo Jingtang as the new president.

Chapter 427: Hated That He Had Appeared

If they wanted a new president other than Huo Yunshen, they could only vote for Huo Jingtang. There were no other alternatives.

This was clearly Huo Jingtang's aim. He had always been an arbitrary person.

The votes were quickly tallied and the results were ready to be released. The people who supported Huo Yunshen stood by their decision and voted for his reappointment. Those who were persuaded by Huo Jingtang voted for him as the new president.

Huo Jingtang remained impassive and expressionless. He was good at hiding his own emotions.

At this moment, his heart was secretly filling with glee in anticipation of his guaranteed victory.

Soon, his goal was going to be realized, and he would be able to stamp Huo Yunshen under his feet.

As he thought of this, he could not help but feel very excited.

After confirming the vote count, Huo Jingtang's secretary began to announce the results. "According to the voting results, I hereby announce the winner is..."

Before he could announce the winner, there was a loud clatter as the door of the conference center was thrown open. Everyone turned their heads at the door and saw a woman wheeling Huo Yunshen steadily into the room.

Everyone was stunned.

Their president... has come?

That's right.

Huo Yunshen had arrived. He appeared in the conference room, accompanied by Xu Xiyao.

Today, he wore a jet-black hand-made suit. His white shirt under his coat was neat and crisply ironed, and his twill tie was tucked neatly under the neckline of his suit. He looked stern.

His hair was well groomed and smartly styled. He carried a frosty look on his devilishly handsome face, his eyes sharp and bright under his thick, dark eyebrows. He looked very regal and domineering.

Though he was sitting in a wheelchair, he sat with his back straight and strong and his broad chest lifted, bringing out his inner nobility and exuding an air that he was evidently different than everyone else.

When he entered the conference room, Huo Jingtang was just as shocked as everyone else.

He thought that Huo Yunshen would definitely not come today. He thought that he had struck a fatal blow to him. He thought he had become very depressed and miserable.

However, Huo Yunshen was in good spirits as he appeared in front of everyone. Huo Jingtang was dumbstruck.

Why didn't he look like he was in despair?

Was his grief yesterday only an act?

Could it be that Huo Yunshen was the one who had outplayed him?

Huo Jingtang stared at Huo Yunshen in astonishment. He hated that he could not stare a dagger through him. He hated that he had come. He hated that he had appeared.

Since Huo Yunshen had come, today's motion to remove him would definitely fail. Huo Jingtang was only one step away from power, and yet that goal was about to fall apart in front of his eyes.

He was not willing to give up without a fight!

Huo Yunshen was already in front of Huo Jingtang. He shifted his eyes from Huo Jingtang's face down to the table. "Aren't you all holding a meeting? Carry on."

Huo Yunshen's tone was casual, but for some reason, Huo Jingtang's secretary was beginning to have stage fright.

It was his turn to continue announcing the results of the voting, but he could not say a single word. He could only look at Huo Jingtang nervously.

Huo Jingtang despised Huo Yunshen to death, but in front of public eyes, he had to put on the act of a caring brother. "Yunshen, why have you come suddenly? Are you feeling better?"

Huo Yunshen gave him a ghost of a smile. "Thanks to your blessings, brother, I'm still alive for now."

Huo Jingtang could hear in his tone that Huo Yunshen was deliberately provoking him.

Huo Jingtang's face was becoming a bit chagrined. He glanced at Huo Yunshen as he tried to figure out his intentions. He looked at the way his younger cousin brother had dressed himself; so formal with those white gloves. What is his next move? Is he going to reclaim the post of president?

Huo Jingtang was not the only one who was mulling over the matter. Everyone else in the room was wondering too: what are they going to do next?

Are the two brothers going to quarrel over the president's post?

Chapter 428: A Slap To His Face

Nobody could tell that Huo Yunshen's hands were injured because Xu Xiyan had redone his bandages and made him wear a pair of white gloves over them.

He raised his right hand and gestured everyone to be silent.

At once, a perfect silence fell over the conference room.

Huo Yunshen looked down the table with an icy calmness and said, "Thank you all for coming. I know everyone put in a lot of effort to hold this conference today. If you're having worries over whether to remove me from my post, there is, in fact, no need for it. Today's general meeting is not even necessary because it is meaningless."

As he said that, everyone exchanged looks. Huo Jingtang's face became even harder.

Everyone knew that he had waited a long time for this chance to hold a general meeting. But now Huo Yunshen had come to destroy his hard work with a single speech.

Meaningless? Huo Jingtang thought.

Did that mean that he was planning to fight him to the end?

Huo Yunshen still had more to say. He turned to look at Huo Jingtang with a serious expression.

“My big brother Huo Jingtang has served as vice president in Yunhai Entertainment for many years. He has worked assiduously and without complaint of the hardships. Especially after my accident, he has managed Yunhai in an orderly manner and united the hearts of the employees. It is because of my big brother's contributions that Yunhai is able to operate in an orderly manner and I'm very grateful to him. Without him, where would Yunhai be today? So, with his qualifications and character, he can be a capable president.”

Huo Yunshen had labeled the general meeting as pointless in the first part of his speech. But in his latter part of his speech, he had praised Huo Jingtang's character.

Most of the people in the room were surprised.

Huo Jingtang was even more baffled at Huo Yunshen's intentions. What did he mean by saying those words?

Was this a slap to the face to humiliate him?

Those who were on Huo Jingtang's side knew him clearly. They knew Huo Jingtang had only been working for his own cultivation in Yunhai Entertainment so he could match up to Huo Yunshen and fight against him.

Not only did he not unite the employees of the Yunhai, but he had also divided them into two extreme factions and caused never-ending internal disputes.

Thus, when Huo Yunshen had praised him that way, he felt like he had given a slap to his face. He could even feel the pain searing across his cheek inexplicably.

Huo Yunshen's speech was specifically meant for the ears of the shareholders. No matter who was going to take over Yunhai, he hoped that Yunhai could continue to grow.

After all, Yunhai was founded by decades of blood and sweat of his ancestors.

Even though there were endless disputes and a lack of peace between the two brothers, he would not let any outsiders catch wind of their discord.

While no one could figure out Huo Yunshen's true intent, he continued to speak, “Since all shareholders are here today, I would like to take this opportunity to announce important news. That is, from this day onwards, I, Huo Yunshen, resign as the president and officially hand over Yunhai Entertainment to my big brother, Huo Jingtang.”

Everyone went into an uproar at Huo Yunshen's sudden decision to resign.

Huo Jingtang did not know what to feel. He had tried so hard to get what he wanted, but his opponent had given it up just like that.

His brother had stepped down by himself, giving him the post of president. Why did he feel like he had done it out of charity?

“Yunshen, what are you doing? The results of the vote has yet to be announced. You still have a chance to be re-elected,” Huo Jingtang said pretendingly.

“No, Big Brother. I've always wanted to rest. I've already gotten what I want. I leave Yunhai in your capable hands. Do your best!”

After Huo Yunshen finished his words, he turned his cold gaze towards the shareholders. “One more thing. I wish to announce something else too.”

Everyone cast an astonished look at him and braced themselves for his next announcement.

Chapter 429: A Clean Break

Huo Yunshen's face was serious as he spoke, “From the day I leave office, Yunhai Entertainment will be officially separated from the Huo Group. Yunhai Entertainment will be an independent company and will be responsible for its own losses and profits.

Only by kicking Huo Jingtang out of the Huo Group would it be made easier for him to teach him a lesson.

Huo Jingtang was dumbstruck. Did this mean that he was being kicked out of the Huo family along with Yunhai?

How could Huo Yunshen say that?

What right did he have?

After Huo Yunshen finished, he turned to look at Xu Xiyan.

Xu Xiyan understood his look and placed two letters in front of Huo Jingtang; one was the renouncement letter of Huo Yunshen's right of inheritance of Yunhai, and the other was his resignation letter.

Huo Jingtang looked up and narrowed his eyes at Xu Xiyan. When she had come in with Huo Yunshen, he had already noticed her.

He had also noticed the way she looked at Huo Yunshen. It was full of feelings of trust and encouragement.

He had never been able to figure out what was her charm and how she was able to attract Huo Yunshen's attention, but now, he understood.

Because of her, Huo Yunshen was able to climb out of despair and recover his self-confidence, and he also gave up his power and status willingly. This showed that this woman was not to be underestimated.

Xu Xiyan knew that his job was done here and wheeled him out of the conference center silently.

Huo Jingtang was still stunned as he watched them disappear through the door of the conference room.

Was Huo Yunshen serious?

He said that he has gotten what he wanted. What did he mean?

Could it be...

Huo Jingtang rushed out of the meeting room. The two had not gone far. He shouted at them urgently, "Yunshen! Wait!"

Xu Xiyan stopped as she heard him shouting after them. Huo Yunshen did not even turn his head. She represented Huo Yunshen and spoke to Huo Jingtang in his stead, "President Huo, Mr. Huo has said whatever he had to say. Is there anything else?"

Huo Jingtang only narrowed his eyes at her. He went around to the front of Huo Yunshen's wheelchair and held onto one of the armrests. "Yunshen, we need to talk in private."

In the president's office, only Huo Yunshen and Huo Jingtang were present.

Huo Yunshen turned his wheelchair around and looked at Huo Jingtang. There was a chilling calmness in his eyes. "What do you want to talk about?"

Huo Jingtang felt his heart lurch. He could clearly sense that Huo Yunshen was a different person now and felt as if he had made a clean break from him.

He was just like a stranger, looking back at him with eyes completely devoid of any familiarity.

Huo Jingtang had noticed that Huo Yunshen had forgone even the basic courtesy of calling him big brother. His tone was so cold and distant.

"Yunshen, I only wanted to ask, what did you mean by your last words?"

Huo Jingtang's biggest worry was that Huo Yunshen had a plot. Was he secretly scheming something even bigger by giving away Yunhai to him?

Huo Yunshen curved his lips into an icy smile. "They meant exactly that."

"You said that you've gotten what you wanted. What does it mean?" Huo Jingtang pressed.

"Well, what do you think it means?"

Huo Yunshen did not answer and threw the question back at him.

Deep inside, he knew the answer very well. He abandoned Yunhai Entertainment and gained Xu Xiyan's company.

This was a trade-off that could not be measured by commercial value.

To him, status and power were not important.

In his mind, Xu Xiyan was a treasure that hundreds and thousands of Yunhai's could never be exchanged for.

While Huo Jingtang was still tearing his brain over Huo Yunshen's true intent, Huo Yunshen had already steered his wheelchair out of the room.

He no longer had anything to say to Huo Jingtang and he didn't want to waste another second with him.

Something did not add up. Huo Jingtang realized that he was leaving and automatically shouted out to him, "Yunshen, is all this Grandpa's will or yours?"

Chapter 430: Nothing To Do With Each Other

"Does it matter whose will it was? Big Brother, you're right. We were destined to compete with each other from birth."

He took a deep breath and said softly, "I used to tolerate you in the past, but never again. This is the last time I'll call you brother. From now on, we'll have nothing to do with each other and our brotherhood ends here. Here is my advice to you as a fellow member of the Huo family: look out for yourself."

After saying this, Huo Yunshen left the president's office.

The Huo Yunshen today had thoroughly seen Huo Jingtang's character. He would no longer foolishly trust him, and he would never give him another chance to hurt him.

To him, losing Yunhai was not a failure. It was the start of a new journey.

He would create a new "Yunhai" with his own ability.

This time, he would only fight for Xu Xiyan.

He and Huo Jingtang were in two different worlds now. If Huo Jingtang dared to interfere, he would make sure that he would not give him mercy anymore.

He shall see who would come out victorious. Just wait and see!

After giving up Yunhai, Huo Yunshen felt a great burden had been lifted from his shoulders. He spent the next few days in a very comfortable and relaxed mood under Xu Xiyan's care.

She had treated him like a very important patient, took great care of him and attended to his needs no matter how big or small they were.

As for the matters at the hospital, Huo Yunshen had visited his father and grandfather every day. Fortunately, his grandfather's health saw some improvements and he was discharged to return home.

His father had also recovered consciousness and had been transferred to the intensive care unit.

His parents and his other family members knew nothing about Yunhai's transfer of power. Huo Yunshen had ordered the people around him not to disclose anything about it, lest they suffer another blow.

All this while, Chen Yunlu had been spending her time at the hospital. She looked very exhausted mentally and physically and had lost a lot of weight.

Fortunately, her daughters were back and they were going to take turns looking after their father. She didn't want her son to take on the extra responsibility because of his special condition.

"Yunshen, you should go back and rest. Your sisters will come around later, there's really no need for you to be here."

The injuries on Huo Yunshen's palms and knees were mostly healed. The gaping wounds had closed up and he was no longer restricted by them. As the only son in the family, he was duty-bound to take care of his father.

He handed over the food he had brought to his mother and urged her, "Mom, you should eat. Let me look after him."

"Okay, what delicious foods have you brought me today?"

As Chen Yunlu opened the thermos jar, the fragrant smell of the food wafted out.

"Nothing particularly special. It's all I could get, so just make do with it."

Huo Yunshen did not say it was Xu Xiyan who had made the food because she had told him not to.

In this situation, Xu Xiyan had not cooked for his parents because she wanted to please them. She had cooked because she only wanted to do whatever she could to help Huo Yunshen, even if it was just a small contribution.

"Wow, this tastes really good. Which restaurant did you buy it from? Who is the chef?" Chen Yunlu praised profusely as she ate the food.

She seldom tasted such simple and refreshing yet appetizing food, as she was used to eating rich delicacies.

Judging from the combination of the dishes and the way they had been prepared, she guessed they were not made by an ordinary restaurant.

Huo Yunshen smiled lightly, "They were made by a private kitchen. The cook is a beautiful woman."

"Oh. How rare it is to find a beautiful woman who is also a good cook."

"Mom, since you like the food of this restaurant, how about I marry that beautiful cook?" Huo Yunshen said in a half-joking manner, trying to test his mother's reaction.

Chen Yunlu's eyes lit up. She didn't expect her son to actually take the initiative to tell her who he wanted to marry. She immediately agreed to it without thinking. "Okay, as long she has a good background and is a good girl, Mom will agree to it."

Huo Yunshen's expression turned very serious. "You said it yourself. Dad will help me testify."