

Substitute Bride's Husband Is An Invisible Rich Man

Chapter 81: A Better Life

As Xu Wan had said, the rumors in the company spread quickly. Before Mo Yan got off work, she had heard people from other departments whispering behind her back.

Because she had prepared herself early in the morning, Mo Yan was able to turn a deaf ear to them.

When Mo Yan arrived at the hospital, Mo Cheng was also there. She did not know what he had said to their mother, but it made her laugh. This made Mo Yan's face involuntarily reveal a smile.

The care in the VIP ward was very good. As soon as Mo Yan entered the door, the two of them looked over. Her mother had recovered well from the surgery. Now, she could slowly get out of bed and walk on her own.

Perhaps because she had expectations for life, her mother's spirit was getting better and better.

Thinking of Qin Yuan who had helped her, Mo Yan still had some doubts. After all, she still did not know what Qin Yuan's purpose of helping her was? But she had to say that Qin Yuan was the person she was most grateful to.

"Wow! Sister, you bought so many fruits." Mo Cheng took Mo Yan's bag and exclaimed.

Putting the things on the small cabinet, Mo Cheng took an orange and peeled it for his mother.

"Mother, what did Cheng tell you that made you so happy?"

Mo Yan's eyes curved as she sat beside her mother's bed and held her mother's hand.

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Mo Yan's mother was also holding onto Mo Yan's hand. When she saw Mo Yan's slightly thin face, an unnoticeable trace of heartache flashed across her eyes. She knew that her illness was a toll on her children.

"Cheng! He was talking about Luo Tao just now!"

Mo Yan's mother had always told Mo Yan not to overexert herself, but Mo Yan would not listen. So every time Mo Yan came, she would show Mo Yan that she had recovered, so that Mo Yan could rest assured. When she was fully recovered, Mo Yan would not be so tired anymore.

"Luo Tao? What did you say about him?" Mo Yan asked curiously.

At this time, Mo Cheng handed over another orange. After peeling one for their mother, he peeled one for Mo Yan.

"Cheng, tell her! When you asked Luo Tao to help you taste your dish, you scalded Luo Tao. Luo Tao was too embarrassed to spit it out."

Mother Mo said as she looked at Mo Yan with a smile.

Hearing Mother Mo's words, Mo Yan pouted and glared at Mo Cheng.

"Mo Cheng has a big mouth! Mom, don't believe what Cheng said. I didn't burn Luo Tao."

"Sister, I saw it in the kitchen, how can you still not admit it." Mo Cheng said with a funny look.

"Also, Mom, you don't know! I only didn't let them sleep together for one night. These two people had dark circles under their eyes the next day!"

Mo Cheng's words once again made Mother Mo laugh out loud.

Mo Yan pinched Mo Cheng's cheek across the single-bed. "Brat, you're spouting nonsense! Who has dark circles under their eyes?"

"The two of you. I'm not exaggerating." Mo Cheng stubbornly refused to change his words.

Mo Yan took a deep breath and increased the strength in her hands.

"You're talking nonsense!"

"Okay okay okay, I was wrong, I was wrong. It wasn't you two, it was me, it was me, okay?"

In the end, Mo Cheng was defeated by Mo Yan's violence.

Mother Mo looked at her playful children and her heart became lighter. All she needed to do now was to recover quickly.

The siblings stayed in Mother Mo's ward for a while before leaving. The sky was slightly dark and the hospital was not far from home. The two of them slowly walked home.

Only then did Mo Yan have the opportunity to ask the question she did not ask before, "Mo Cheng, who bullied you at school?"

Hearing Mo Yan call his full name, Mo Cheng started to get nervous. He was afraid that he would not be able to divert the conversation this time.

"Sister, why are you still thinking about this matter? Didn't I say that I would solve it myself?"

"If you could solve it yourself, you wouldn't have been bullied," Mo Yan hit the nail on the head and said.

Mo Cheng was unable to refute her. How did his sister become so sharp after he had not seen her for a while.

Seeing that he couldn't hide it, Mo Cheng had no choice but to show his cards. "It's just a few seniors. They borrowed money from me."

"Borrowed money? They're robbing families at school? They're bullying my younger brother." Mo Yan's voice seemed to contain some danger.

"Rob, robbing families?" Mo Cheng choked on his sister's words and slightly tilted his head to see Mo Yan's expression. However, Mo Yan was thinking about something with her head lowered, so he couldn't see clearly.

"Are all the injuries on your body caused by them?" Mo Yan asked.

"Uh, yes," Mo Cheng answered.

In fact, Mo Cheng's situation was a bit tricky. Even if he reported to the teacher, he wouldn't always be able to protect Mo Cheng. Moreover, the children in high school all had rebellious mentality. If a few students bore grudges against Mo Cheng, it would be a bad to make things worse.

Chapter 82: Protect You

Just as Mo Yan was deep in thought, Mo Cheng spoke first, "Sister, I want to handle this matter myself."

"Handle it yourself?"

Mo Yan was stunned. She had just thought of her own recording method. Although she could let Mo Cheng try it, Mo Cheng's environment was different from hers. If Mo Cheng did this, it would be difficult for him to make friends again.

"Yes, I'll handle it myself."

Mo Cheng stopped in his tracks and turned to face Mo Yan.

Mo Yan also looked at her brother, who was as tall as her, and suddenly felt that Mo Cheng was different from before.

“Sister, I don’t want to live under your protection all the time.”

In fact, the reason why Mo Cheng said this was because he was talking to himself last night. When he said all the things that he had been holding back in his heart, Mo Cheng realized that there were actually many things that he could do well, it was just that he had not thought of it at that time.

He had already thought of a way to deal with a few gangster seniors. Based on how familiar they were with bullying others, he should not be the only one being bullied. Therefore, he could also find some allies.

Upon hearing Mo Cheng’s words, although Mo Yan was gratified, she still frowned. “Mo Cheng, you are still young. Don’t try to be brave. As your big sister, I should protect you. During this period of time, you should stay at home first. Wait for me to think of a foolproof plan before you return to school.”

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“Big sister, what I said is true. Believe me, let me try once. If I really can’t do it, I won’t try to be brave anymore.” Mo Cheng’s gaze was firm as he said to Mo Yan.

Mo Yan wanted to say something else, but was interrupted by Luo Tao’s voice.

“You should listen to your brother. If you solve everything for him, how will he grow up?”

“Luo Tao, I’m just...” Mo Yan was not frightened by Luo Tao. Instead, she was very familiar with his voice.

“Sister, trust me! Give me some time.”

Mo Cheng was already behind Mo Yan when he saw Luo Tao walking over. Naturally, he was not surprised.

Seeing that the two of them were trying to persuade her, Mo Yan had no choice but to compromise.

After the matter was settled, Luo Tao quickly changed the topic and asked what they would be eating for dinner.

He did not want this chatterbox brat to stay at their house anymore. It was fine if he could not sleep with his wife every night, but he still had to listen to this brat.

“Since I’m leaving tomorrow, then sister, don’t cook tonight. I’ll cook for you guys.” Mo Cheng smiled so much that his eyebrows curved, revealing two small canine teeth.

Mo Yan’s face stiffened, and she stuttered, “You, you’re cooking?”

“That’s right! Brother-in-law hasn’t tried my cooking, right?” Mo Cheng didn’t say anything more and directly threw the question to Luo Tao.

Luo Tao didn’t know what Mo Cheng was up to, but from Mo Yan’s expression, it seemed like something wasn’t right.

“Why don’t I cook instead!” Mo Yan pretended to smile.

“I won’t cause a fire. Sister, give me a chance.”

Since Mo Cheng had already said this much, Mo Yan had no choice but to accept her fate.

The dim yellow street lamp stretched the shadows of the three people very long. A man was holding a woman’s hand, and the youth beside him was neither too far nor too close to the woman. It was as if they were two guardians, protecting the woman.

Although Mo Cheng was the one cooking, Mo Yan still had to chop the ingredients because Mo Cheng's knife skills were really unpraiseworthy. After Mo Yan finished chopping, Mo Cheng pushed her out.

This time, it was Mo Yan and Luo Tao's turn to stare at each other.

The sudden solitude made Mo Yan feel a little awkward. Luo Tao cleared his throat and asked, "Why don't you want Mo Cheng to cook?"

"Um..." Mo Yan thought for a while and didn't know how to say it.

"Mo Cheng's food! It might taste a little special."

Luo Tao frowned and didn't understand. "It might taste a little special? Was he the same as him? Unable to distinguish between sugar and salt? Or would the food already be burnt when he added the seasoning?"

Mo Yan thought for a while and decided to let Luo Tao experience it himself. After all, the taste of Mo Cheng's dishes was not appreciated by most people.

Luo Tao did not hear any strange noises from the kitchen, so he felt that it should be fine.

Therefore, Luo Tao brought up another matter that he was concerned about. "Did you have a big argument with your supervisor today?"

Although he felt that Qin Yuan was meddling in other people's business, he had to admit that Qin Yuan's words, "A tree that does not experience wind and rain cannot grow." Had caught his attention. He could get Chen Ya out of the company with a snap of his fingers. However, without the experience that Chen Ya gave Mo Yan, how would Mo Yan grow?

Perhaps he would bring Mo Yan back to the Huo family in the future. Luo Tao did not know when this thought had appeared in his mind.

After being reminded by Luo Tao, Mo Yan suddenly remembered that she was still wearing the bracelet on her hand. She quickly went to look for the box and said while looking, "Yes! Chen Ya loves to have evil thoughts all day long. Shouldn't she focus on her work?"

"Some people are born evil." Luo Tao chuckled.

Chapter 83: Their Home

Mo Yan looked at Luo Tao in surprise. She did not know why he had said that. However, when she thought about Chen Ya's cockfighting appearance, it did seem a little too much.

Instead of taking care of her boyfriend, she was harassing people every day. Chen Ya was probably mentally ill.

It is said, 'When a relationship is in trouble, a stupid woman will think of a way to fix herself. A smart woman will think of a way to fix the man.' Chen Ya was probably so stupid that there was no cure.

"What are you looking for? Let me help you."

Luo Tao saw that Mo Yan had been searching for a long time but still couldn't find anything, so he went up and asked.

"It's the box that I put the jade bracelet in earlier. I was in a hurry this morning and forgot where I put it."

"You want to take it off? You don't like it?" Luo Tao took the box from a shelf and handed it to Mo Yan.

"It's not that I don't like it, it's just that it's too expensive. I can't wear it often."

Mo Yan carefully put the jade bracelet back, only then did she feel at ease.

“I already gave it to you. There’s no use keeping it in a box.”

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Luo Tao still wanted to put it on Mo Yan, but Mo Yan stopped him.

“It’s not because it’s expensive, but also because it’s the first gift you gave me. I want to treasure it well. If I damage it, my heart will ache.”

Seeing her sweet smile, Luo Tao’s heart softened.

“I will give you more things in the future.”

Mo Yan smiled and held Luo Tao’s arm, leaning her head on his shoulder. “The heart is more important than the gift. Your heart is the most important. If you miss me, even if you buy me a bottle of coke, I will be happy.”

“You!” Luo Tao sighed and touched Mo Yan’s head. She was really a silly woman.

“Luo Tao, I really like my life now. Every day when I come back, I feel at peace.” Mo Yan gently expressed her feelings.

Luo Tao was touched by Mo Yan’s words. In his past life, there was no lack of scheming and backstabbing. The slightest mistake would make him a target, and he would be attacked.

He did not know how much longer he could live like that.

Holding on to Mo Yan’s hand that was scribbling on his palm, Luo Tao said slowly, “Me too.”

“What is going on? Sister, brother-in-law, it’s time to eat.”

Mo Cheng's words broke the atmosphere in the room. Luo Tao took a deep breath and resisted the urge to throw Mo Cheng out. There was still one more night. After tonight, he would not have to face this little bastard again.

Mo Yan's face was flushed red. Although she withdrew her hand and sat up straight when she heard Mo Cheng's voice, she did not know if Mo Cheng had seen what they were doing.

"Sister, help me serve the dishes." Mo Cheng shouted from the kitchen.

Mo Cheng's dishes looked very good and could be compared to Mo Yan's. They looked quite appetizing. Mo Cheng brought out the rice and the three of them began to eat.

Before this, Luo Tao even deliberately glanced at Mo Yan. He was still suspicious because of Mo Yan's previous reaction. He didn't know if he had misunderstood, but it seemed that Mo Cheng and Mo Yan were waiting for him to eat first.

Luo Tao tried a bite of the fried egg with chili. Because he was a little uneasy, Luo Tao didn't take more than the first bite. He felt that he didn't taste anything special, so he took a second bite.

However, this bite! The spiciness shot up from the tip of his tongue to his head. Even though Luo Tao had good manners, he could not hold back his physiological tears.

Seeing this, Mo Yan hurriedly handed him a glass of water. Luo Tao gulped down a few mouthfuls and ruined his composed image.

"Cheng, how many Chaotian peppers did you put in? And you even picked out a large piece?"

Mo Yan's sharp eyes saw a red dot hidden under the yellow and green. She was immediately angered by Mo Cheng and laughed.

"Sister, didn't you say that when you cook, you can add some chili to enhance the flavor? I only added some!"

Mo Cheng saw that the situation was not right and muttered softly.

“I was talking about Millet chili! Did you do it on purpose? Otherwise, why did you pick out Chaotian Chili?”

Mo Yan asked what Luo Tao wanted to ask. Luo Tao also felt that this kid was definitely messing with him on purpose, just because he had mocked him previously.

“Sister, you’re wrong. I did not do it on purpose.”

Although Mo Yan had some doubts about his words, Mo Cheng’s expression was very sincere. It was impossible to tell if he was lying to her.

When Mo Yan lowered her head to look at the other dishes, Luo Tao shot a sharp gaze at the person opposite him. Mo Cheng glanced at him guiltily.

Mo Yan did not dare to let Luo Tao try the other dishes. She picked up some steamed vermicelli.

As soon as it entered her mouth, the salty and bitter taste hit her tongue. Mo Yan could not taste what kind of seasoning Mo Cheng had put in it. She really wished that she could lose her sense of taste at this moment.

Looking at Mo Yan’s expression, Mo Cheng swallowed his saliva and said, “Is it that bad?”

Chapter 84: Your Identity

“Try it yourself.”

“Cheng, don’t you want to try the dishes yourself?”

The two of them spoke at the same time, their tone completely different.

Luo Tao's voice was as cold as it could be, but Mo Yan's words were full of a sense of helplessness.

Mo Cheng looked at the last dish. He had no desire to take a bite at all. He did not know why, but every time he cooked, it would end up like this.

Receiving Mo Cheng's pleading gaze, Mo Yan went into the kitchen with a headache and whipped up three bowls of noodles as fast as possible.

Perhaps it was because of the trauma he had just experienced, Luo Tao was more careful when eating Mo Yan's noodles.

It was still the same arrangement as last night. Mo Yan slept on the sofa while Luo Tao and Mo Cheng slept in the bedroom.

After Luo Tao took a shower, he saw Mo Yan writing on documents on the coffee table. It seemed that she had made the first version of her plan. Some blueprints and information were scattered around the computer.

Mo Yan typed very quickly. In a moment, she had entered the required information into the computer and then imported the blueprints.

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This was the first time Luo Tao saw Mo Yan working. She was very focused. Her long hair was tied into a ponytail. Her gaze was fixed on the screen. She did not even notice that he was sitting next to her.

After looking at it for a while, Luo Tao found that there were many small flaws in Mo Yan's plan. These required her to go to the construction site to investigate it.

After her work came to an end, Mo Yan stretched lazily and yawned again. The alarm clock on her phone rang at the right time. It was already 9:30 pm.

Mo Yan's work and rest time was relatively balanced. Usually, she would give herself an hour to wash up or play with her phone and watch TV dramas. After all, relaxing was an important part of life!

As she turned around, Mo Yan saw Luo Tao sitting beside her, watching her series of actions.

Mo Yan quickly closed her wide mouth and covered it with her hand. She said in embarrassment and anger, "Why are you here?"

Luo Tao was amused by her actions and pretended to be innocent. "I've been sitting here for a long time. I thought you knew."

"I didn't know. Are you teasing me?" Mo Yan gently hammered his leg to show her dissatisfaction.

Thinking about whether her wide mouth made her look like a tigress, Mo Yan glared at Luo Tao again.

However, Mo Yan was disappointed. Luo Tao felt that the Mo Yan he had seen just now was like a sleepy kitten yawning.

"Luo Tao, what did you say to Mo Cheng earlier?"

Mo Yan glanced at the bathroom. The sound of water was incessant. Mo Cheng was in the shower and would probably not be able to hear the two of them talking.

"He told on me?" Luo Tao asked calmly.

Mo Yan shook her head. "That's not it. Previously, Mo Cheng said that you've enlightened him a lot. I'm just curious. What did you say to him that made him change so much?"

"Nothing much. I just told him that boys need to learn how to handle things on their own."

“That’s it?” Mo Yan did not believe him.

“Yes, that’s it.”

There was no need to tell Mo Yan everything he said. Moreover, that brat probably did not want him to say it out loud.

“He’s still young. I should do my job as his big sister and help him resolve these matters.”

As she spoke, Mo Yan’s voice was gentle. Her younger brother was still young, so there was no need for him to be so sensible. In the end, she was the one who was useless.

Luo Tao knew that no matter what he said now, Mo Yan would feel bad about not helping Mo Cheng. If he wanted Mo Yan to be at ease, he could only resolve the matter himself.

When Luo Tao returned to the bedroom, Mo Cheng was already lying on the bed.

Seeing this brat, Luo Tao had the urge to beat him up.

He threw the watch that he got from Qin Yuan over, and Mo Cheng was shocked by the sudden appearance of the box.

“Brother-in-law, what is this?” Mo Cheng picked up the box and looked at it.

“It’s for you, keep it well.” Luo Tao said very succinctly.

Opening the box, he saw an exquisite watch lying inside.

Mo Cheng was a little surprised. Cars and watches were two things that almost every man loved. Mo Cheng was the same.

“Brother-in-law, is this a Piaget limited edition?” Although he loved it, Mo Cheng was not bewitched by it.

Where did his brother-in-law get such an expensive thing? There was also the jade bracelet that his brother-in-law put on his sister this morning. Although he knew nothing about jade, the jade bracelet looked expensive.

Luo Tao glanced at the symbol on the box and acknowledged.

“Brother-in-law, who exactly are you?”

Chapter 85: Liar and Lie

Luo Tao did not answer Mo Cheng’s question. Instead, he asked, “How did you know that I would fall for it?”

Mo Cheng did not want to admit it at first, but Luo Tao’s gaze was too sharp. He could only reluctantly say, “I thought that you liked spicy dishes and that you would eat the fried eggs with green peppers first.”

These words made Luo Tao chuckle. “Even your sister hasn’t noticed.”

“Ah?” Mo Cheng was surprised.

Luo Tao recalled that when he was young, he was told by his family not to show anything that he particularly liked or disliked. Because he was still young at that time, he could not completely hide his emotions, it was not until he got food poisoning that he learned his lesson.

“How did you realize?” Luo Tao asked.

Mo Cheng scratched his head and said embarrassedly, “It was when you ate a lot of the boiled fish. Only then did I feel that you might like to eat spicy dishes.”

“Just by relying on this?”

“Yes, when you eat other things, the frequency of you picking up each dish is basically the same.”

Luo Tao slightly narrowed his eyes. He had a new understanding of Mo Cheng’s observation ability.

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“Indeed, I’m not Luo Tao, but I’m your brother-in-law.”

Mo Cheng was stunned for a second at Luo Tao’s answer. Then, he understood that he was answering the previous question.

After a long silence, Mo Cheng spoke again, “I don’t know your identity and intention, but please don’t hurt my sister.”

Luo Tao replied without hesitation, “Okay.”

From the things that Luo Tao had given both Mo Cheng and his sister, Mo Cheng could roughly guess that Luo Tao’s real identity was either rich or noble.

It seemed unlikely that Luo Tao was here for Mo Yan on purpose.

Although the two of them were close, it was very likely that they hadn’t gone too far yet. This made Mo Cheng feel much more at ease.

“Brother-in-law, I have something to ask you.”

Luo Tao changed into his usual calm expression. He felt that Mo Cheng was trying to communicate with him as the brother of his wife.

“Tell me.”

“If one day you reveal your true identity, will you abandon my sister?” As Mo Cheng spoke, he pushed the watch that Luo Tao gave him back.

Luo Tao glanced at the box and raised his head to look at Mo Cheng.

Although he had some thoughts of bringing Mo Yan back to the Huo family, he was not sure yet, so he could not give Mo Cheng an answer.

Seeing that Luo Tao still did not answer, Mo Cheng did not force him, he continued, “Brother-in-law, I can see that my sister likes you very much. I hope that you won’t make her sad. If you two are in a normal relationship, then I will give you my blessing. However, a relationship built on liars and lies will not last long.”

Mo Cheng paused and finished his sentence, “A hundred lies are needed to cover the first lie, and they will all be exposed one day. Actually, I hope that you can become my real brother-in-law.”

Mo Cheng was really vulnerable and honest.

Luo Tao did not know when Mo Cheng had noticed that he and Mo Yan were hiding things from each other. He also did not know how Mo Cheng had discovered that he and Mo Yan had not gone too far yet, and he had vaguely reminded him not to get too close to Mo Yan when his identity was still hidden.

‘Such a sharp little brat.’ Luo Tao thought to himself.

“Kind man shouldn’t say falsehood, smart people should not lie.”

Although Luo Tao could not tell if hiding his identity was a white lie, this lie had allowed him to meet Mo Yan. No matter how things developed, this memory was still beautiful.

“Liar.” Mo Cheng muttered in a low voice.

Luo Tao did not take Mo Cheng’s words seriously. He did not need outsiders to tell him what to do with Mo Yan.

He threw the wristwatch to Mo Cheng again and said, “It’s up to you whether you want to wear it or not.” This meant that he would not accept the return of what he had given him.

The next day, Mo Cheng left the two’s house according to the decision he had made.

Before he left, Mo Cheng had repeatedly reminded Mo Yan. Hearing this, Luo Tao wanted to shut this kid’s mouth. If it wasn’t for the fact that the two of them had a tacit understanding that they wouldn’t mention what happened last night, Mo Cheng might have said that Luo Tao was an extremely dangerous person.

The two of them sent Mo Cheng to the school gate. As they watched the young man’s back leaving into the distance, Mo Yan was still very worried.

Even though Mo Cheng said that he would handle it himself, he never told Mo Yan what he wanted to do. He only told her to wait for the result.

Rubbing her temples, Mo Yan felt a slight headache. She wanted to meet those little bullies who bullied her little brother, but her busy work and Chen Ya’s ‘sniping’ made her unable to be in two places at once.

After sending Mo Cheng off, Mo Yan took a taxi to rush to the company.

For the sake of her little brother’s safety, Mo Yan could only make another request to Luo Tao. “Luo Tao, can you help me visit Mo Cheng more during this period of time? I’m still worried.”

Luo Tao chuckled and replied, "Okay."

Although Mo Cheng took the watch, he did not wear it. This made Luo Tao curious as to how Mo Cheng was going to deal with those who bullied him.

Chapter 86: Test

In the 2 days since Mo Yan and Chen Ya's argument, rumors were growing like weeds, and they were getting more and more outrageous.

Some said that Mo Yan and Chen Ya were fighting over a man, some said that Zhou Shuai was cheating with Mo Yan was caught by Chen Ya on the spot, some even said that Chen Ya liked Zhou Shuai, Zhou Shuai liked Mo Yan, and then Mo Yan and Chen Ya were having an affair.

Hearing these unbelievable words, Mo Yan was almost scared to the point of fainting. Although she wanted to stir up trouble, she did not expect it to become like this! She and Chen Ya having an affair? They were clearly enemies who could not live under the same sky, alright?

With a dazed expression, Mo Yan stared at the messages that Li Guoguo sent her. Li Guoguo often saw some gossip in their private group.

In this regard, Mo Yan showed that the power of romance gossip was not to be underestimated. No one had talked about her project for the past two days.

And in the past two days, it was unknown if she was frightened by these rumors, but Chen Ya did not come looking for trouble with Mo Yan, allowing Mo Yan to have a good start on her new contract.

This new client was not a difficult person to approach. She gave high praise to Mo Yan's first version of the proposal. Although there were still some areas that needed to be changed, she still had confidence in Mo Yan.

Just as Mo Yan was about to run to the construction site to take some pictures, CEO Song stopped her.

Sitting in CEO Song's office again, Mo Yan felt that the tension between her and the woman was still there.

"Mo Yan, I called you here this time because I have something for you to do."

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Song Yun looked at the girl opposite her who was standing straight and was a little hesitant.

She had heard the rumors in the company over the past two days and could roughly guess what she was trying to do.

Moreover, if she were to promote Mo Yan as her assistant according to their previous agreement, it would definitely push her back into the limelight. Therefore, Song Yun could not do that.

Seeing the woman's serious expression, Mo Yan could not help but sit up straight and said, "Please speak."

"Mo Yan, you know that our company has always had the intention to branch out in the capital city. It's just that the time was never right. Now there's an opportunity to expand the market there. Are you willing to go?"

Song Yun said it gently and gave Mo Yan the option to refuse.

It was also this option that puzzled Mo Yan. Wasn't the company directly appointing her as a candidate? How could she not go?

"CEO Song, is there any risk in developing the market in the capital city?" Mo Yan asked pointedly.

Since CEO Song allowed her to refuse, she asked.

Song Yun gave Mo Yan a serious look and said, "You're not the only one going this time. There's also Chen Ya, who was appointed by the Deputy General Manager. I hope that you can face her head-on."

Mo Yan frowned and thought, "I see."

Opening up the market meant competing for customers, and going with Chen Ya meant that she might not only have to face the ostracism of her peers in the capital city, but she also had to guard against being ambushed.

But if she didn't go..

While Mo Yan was thinking, Song Yun was also observing the person opposite her.

This was a test that she was giving Mo Yan. Mo Yan was still considered a newcomer in the sales industry, and this task should not have been given to her, but she was curious about Mo Yan's ability and how much protection Qin Yuan would give Mo Yan.

If Mo Yan accepted this test and gained some achievements, even if she failed, she would work hard to train her. But if Mo Yan was unwilling, she would treat her like an ordinary employee who used the back door. As for Qin Yuan, although she accepted his sponsorship, she would not let Qin Yuan become like Chen Ya's uncle.

Time passed by minute by minute, Song Yun gave Mo Yan enough time to think.

"CEO Song, I want to go," Mo Yan said firmly.

Suddenly, Mo Yan seemed to have thought of something and continued to add, "CEO Song, I still have a new client in my hands, I'm only halfway through the discussion, this..."

Upon hearing Mo Yan's reply, Song Yun's expression slowly turned gentle as she said, "There's no rush, there's still some time. You can finish your work first."

“Yes, okay.”

Mo Yan nodded and prepared to find out more about the real estate situation in Jing City when she was free.

On the corridor back to the office, Mo Yan recalled CEO Song’s attitude. She was almost certain that this was CEO Song’s test for her. CEO Song had never mentioned the previous agreement between the two of them. She must have been troubled by her extremely bad reputation recently.

She could fight with Chen Ya, and it was understandable for her to retaliate. However, what the company wanted was profit. Even if she seized the opportunity to kill Chen Ya in the future, if she was not capable enough, she would still be abandoned by the company.

So, she wanted to use this opportunity to make a comeback, beat down Chen Ya once and for all and show everyone how capable she was.

Chapter 87: Plan

Mo Yan was cheering herself on when she ran into Chen Ya at the corner. The two of them met with a fiery atmosphere.

“Yo! Are you snitching to Song Yun again? Tsk, Mo Yan, you are such a baby!” Chen Ya smiled mockingly.

Mo Yan did not want to bother with her and turned to leave. She had to spend all her time on work now.

Chen Ya rolled her eyes and stopped Mo Yan.

“I heard that CEO Song is sending you to Jing City to expand the business?”

Mo Yan’s eyes darkened. Just now, CEO Song only asked her if she wanted to go and gave her the option to refuse. How did Chen Ya know?

Seeing that Mo Yan did not answer, Chen Ya said to herself, "Don't bite off more than you can chew. When Hong Jing was just established, Song Yun was over ambitious and sent Hong Jing's best salespeople to Jing City. But what happened? The company almost went bankrupt. CEO Song's career was almost over,"

"CEO Song had such an experience? Then why would she send a newbie like her this time?" Mo Yan couldn't help but wonder.

"Mo Yan, aren't you curious why CEO Song would send you?" Chen Ya said with an evil smile.

Mo Yan frowned. She was indeed curious, but she didn't want to know the reason from Chen Ya, let alone believe the reason from Chen Ya.

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"Is there anything else, Supervisor Chen? If there's nothing else, I have to go work."

Mo Yan did not respond to Chen Ya's words. She did not want to waste any more time with her.

"Ha! Let me tell you one thing. The one who gave the project this time is the Lin family of the capital city." Chen Ya smiled smugly. She was sure that Mo Yan would remember her words.

Mo Yan stared at the person in front of her with a guarded expression, but did not dare to ask anything.

However, Chen Ya left after saying this, which made Mo Yan even more uneasy.

Back in the office, because she had already set a time to go to the construction site to take photos, Mo Yan could only put Chen Ya's words aside to complete her unfinished work.

After Chen Ya left, she went straight to the Deputy General Manager's office.

A fat man with a simple and honest smile was sitting on the sofa, drinking tea.

“Uncle, is it useful for me to tell Mo Yan that? Will she break her ties with Song Yun?” Chen Ya’s face was full of doubt.

“Song Yun really let that newcomer go to the capital city?”

The man did not answer but asked a question instead. The smile on his face slowly disappeared.

“Yes, most likely. I didn’t see Mo Yan surprised when I said that. Song Yun must’ve mentioned it when she looked for her.”

After listening to Chen Ya, the man’s lips curled into a smile again, but it was not as simple and honest as before. Instead, it gave off a sinister feeling.

“She’s lucky that she didn’t kill Xu Tian the last time. This newcomer, heh.”

The man had not finished speaking, but one could only imagine what he was going to say.

“Uncle, you haven’t answered me yet! Why would me saying that cause them to fall out?”

Chen Ya hugged the man’s arm coquettishly and shook it. The man patted Chen Ya’s hand lovingly and said, “There’s a computer over there. Go search the Lin family in Jing City.”

After getting a reply from the man, Chen Ya walked to the computer and started searching according to the man’s instructions.

In an instant, a row of gossip about the Lin family’s young master occupied the entire screen.

‘The Lin family’s eldest young master is having a celebrity girlfriend at a night party.’

'The Lin family's eldest young master is suspected to be holding a party with many people on his private yacht!'

'Shocking! XX female celebrity is having an abortion after sleeping with a rich man with the surname 'I'!

Chen Ya could not help but be shocked as well. She stood in front of the computer in a daze. Then why was her uncle asking her to go too? Chen Ya felt a chill run down her body. The gaze she used to look at the man was also a little fearful.

At this moment, the man had returned to his honest appearance. He smiled at Chen Ya and said, "Ya, don't think too much. I've already made arrangements. This project will be your achievement."

Hearing the man's words, Chen Ya felt relieved. She also felt guilty for thinking too much.

Sitting back on the sofa, Chen Ya also smiled at the man. "When Mo Yan sees this news, she will definitely think that Song Yun is using her for her looks."

The man smiled and nodded, he continued to add, "Song Yun and I will protect her and you respectively. If she develops a distrust towards Song Yun before leaving, it is very likely that she will not accept Song Yun's assistance in the capital. It will be much easier for you to attack her."

"Moreover, if the young master of the Lin family really likes her, you can send her to his bed."

This sentence came out of the man's mouth very easily.

Chen Ya also lowered her head and snickered, "Yes, if the young master of the Lin family likes Mo Yan, I can give Mo Yan to him as a bargaining chip to secure the project, and then shift the blame onto Song Yun."

In the Deputy General Manager of Hong Jing's office, a vicious conspiracy was brewing.

Chapter 88: Let's Go to Jing City Together

After returning home, after having dinner, Mo Yan started to search for information on the Lin family in Jing City.

Rows and rows of words appeared, making Mo Yan's heart skip a beat. She recalled what Chen Ya had said beside her over and over again.

'Mo Yan, aren't you curious why CEO Song is sending you?'

That's right! Why was CEO Song sending her? A newbie who didn't have the qualifications to sign a contract alone? What could she possibly bring to the table?

Mo Yan's gaze couldn't help but fall onto the gossip again. She subconsciously touched her face. Did CEO Song take a liking to her appearance?

Mo Yan's strange actions happened to be noticed by Luo Tao, who had just washed the dishes and walked out of the kitchen.

Luo Tao walked over to Mo Yan's side and sat down. He also looked at the screen. It would have been better if he didn't look, but when he saw it, he immediately frowned.

"The Lin family in Jing City? Why are you searching for this?"

"Client, client information! The company said that they want to expand their business in Jing City, so I need to make a trip there."

"You're going?" Luo Tao's eyebrows furrowed even more tightly.

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Mo Yan nodded. She was starting to doubt the decision she made.

Although she felt that CEO Song wasn't that kind of person, no matter how she thought about it, Mo Yan felt that she wasn't the best candidate to go to Jing City. Moreover, according to CEO Song, she and Chen Ya were the people appointed by her and the Deputy General Manager respectively. That was bound to be related to the competition between the two of them. Why did CEO Song think that she could defeat Chen Ya?

Luo Tao, on the other hand, was thinking differently from Mo Yan. He was thinking more about the dangers of this project. The Lin family was not as clean as they looked on the surface. Was there something hidden in the land that was being sold?

"Luo Tao, what's wrong?" Mo Yan asked when she saw that Luo Tao did not speak for a long time.

Luo Tao touched Mo Yan's hair and said gently, "I was wondering if I could go with you."

"Ah?" Mo Yan's mouth opened wide, and the bad thoughts in her mind flew away instantly.

The exaggerated expression made Luo Tao laugh, "Your mouth can hold an egg."

Hearing what Luo Tao said, Mo Yan instantly covered her mouth and said through the gaps between her fingers, "No!"

Then she blinked her big eyes at Luo Tao and said, "You want to go with me! But the company won't let you."

"I'll pay for it myself." Luo Tao was touched by Mo Yan's cute look and said with a smile.

"Pay for it..." Mo Yan's expression changed from surprise to distress. The expenses in the capital city were very high. Even though he said that he would pay for it himself, she would be the one giving him the money. Who knew how much money she would have left after paying off her debt next month.

Although Luo Tao could guess what she was thinking, he still said to Mo Yan, "Don't you want me to go with you? Or do you..."

Luo Tao made a bitter expression as he spoke and glanced at Mo Yan's computer screen. On it was the news of the young master of the Lin family.

When Mo Yan saw it, she knew that it was not good. She really did not want to see Luo Tao's dejected expression. She could only grit her teeth and say, "Go, why won't I want you to go? You have to accompany me. Otherwise, it won't be good if someone takes advantage of me."

When he heard Mo Yan say this, Luo Tao's smile returned.

Seeing Mo Yan's secretly relieved look, Luo Tao liked this kind of unrestrained mode of interaction even more.

When it was time for Mo Yan to take a shower, Luo Tao walked to the balcony with his phone and dialed Qin Yuan's number.

"Qin Yuan, do you know about the Lin family's recent real estate deal?"

Qin Yuan was playing games. He didn't even look at the phone when he picked it up. It was only when he heard Luo Tao's voice that he was shocked.

"Real estate? Lin family? Huo Zhen, why are you suddenly asking about the Lin family?"

Ignoring his teammate's scolding, Qin Yuan immediately logged out of the game and asked Luo Tao.

"It's not for me, it's for Mo Yan. Her company is going to develop in Jing City, and they're interested in working with the Lin family."

Because Mo Yan needed to work, Luo Tao could only patiently explain to Qin Yuan.

"Oh wow, Hong Jing's appetite is quite big! They even dare to work with the Lin family." Qin Yuan sighed. He had to carefully do a check on the Lin family.

“Just tell me what you know.”

“What I know? I don’t know anything! I’m not interested in real estate, but I know that the Lin family is trouble.”

Luo Tao took a deep breath. He couldn’t be angry with the idiot. Did he need Qin Yuan to tell him such nonsense?

“Cut the crap, go and investigate.”

“No, Huo Zhen, you should do it yourself! If my dad finds out that I’m investigating the Lin family, he’ll definitely give me a beating.”

As soon as he finished speaking, a beeping sound came from the other side of the phone.

Qin Yuan rubbed his nose and sighed. He had no choice.

Chapter 89: The Person He Cherished

After hanging up the phone, Luo Tao gazed out of the window with a serious gaze. He was bound to go to the capital city with Mo Yan. Not only for Mo Yan’s safety, but also because his time was up.

Luo Tao’s heart was somewhat troubled. He had not made a final decision yet.

“Luo Tao? Luo Tao?” Mo Yan wiped her hair and called out his name twice.

“What’s wrong?” Luo Tao came back from the balcony.

Mo Yan walked to his side and sniffed. “Did you smoke?”

Mo Yan knew that Luo Tao smoked because occasionally when he came home, he would have a faint smell of cigarettes on him. However, Luo Tao had never smoked at home before, so she did not know what was wrong with him today.

“Yes.”

“Is there something wrong?” Mo Yan felt that Luo Tao seemed to have something on his mind.

Luo Tao looked at Mo Yan. Her long hair was wet, and the water dripped down her neck and slowly slid into the collar of her pajamas, causing Luo Tao’s eyes to darken.

“Do you still remember the night before your brother came?”

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With Luo Tao’s reminder, the memories that Mo Yan had thrown out of the window instantly returned to her mind.

“You, how can you still remember?”

“Of course I have to remember. I have regretted it for a long time.”

Luo Tao held Mo Yan in his arms. Mo Yan’s long hair, which was full of moisture, was also wet on his face.

“Luo Tao.”

Mo Yan called Luo Tao’s name in a soft voice.

Not only was Luo Tao longing for her, she was also looking forward to Luo Tao taking a step closer.

However, just as Mo Yan was waiting for Luo Tao's kiss to land on her lips, Luo Tao suddenly took a step back.

"Let me hug you to sleep tonight! I won't do anything."

Luo Tao's voice was very gentle, so Mo Yan couldn't say anything to reject him.

In Mo Yan's bedroom, Mo Yan wanted to face Luo Tao, but was rejected by him. He wrapped his arms around her waist from behind.

Being hugged by Luo Tao, Mo Yan felt like she was being treasured.

"Luo Tao, what's wrong? I feel like something is wrong with you."

With her back facing him, Mo Yan asked. Luo Tao's hot chest pressed against her body, causing Mo Yan's heart to race.

"Nothing, I'm just wondering if we will continue living happily like this."

Luo Tao's words stopped Mo Yan. Mo Yan's expression froze, and her heart started to race.

Continue living? Will they? She was just a substitute. Mo Lian was supposed to marry Luo Tao, and Mo Lian was supposed to be loved and cared for by Luo Tao. Thinking of this, Mo Yan felt like her heart was being grabbed by a big hand.

She did not want to admit that she was jealous because she did not have the right. However, she could not control herself and wanted Luo Tao for herself.

If one day Luo Tao found out about her identity and did not want her, or if Mo Lian found out about Luo Tao's good intentions and wanted to snatch Luo Tao back, where would she go?

Just thinking about it made Mo Yan almost cry.

Mo Yan shut herself in the blanket, so that her voice would not sound so strange.

“Luo Tao, if one day you discover that I’ve lied to you, lied to you about a very important matter, what would you do?”

After a long time, Mo Yan did not receive an answer from Luo Tao.

She felt like she was a condemned prisoner waiting to be hanged, hoping that the ruler would grant her a little favor and let her finish her sentence quickly.

“What kind of very important matter? Do you mean cheat on me?”

Luo Tao’s voice carried a hint of a smile. Mo Yan knew that he was teasing her again. She turned to face Luo Tao and said angrily, “No! I won’t cheat on you! I’m loyal in this marriage, and... I’m loyal to you.”

Mo Yan’s last four words were very gentle. After saying that, she buried her face into Luo Tao’s firm chest.

Luo Tao did not tease her this time. The steady heartbeat coming from his chest hit Mo Yan’s eardrums, making her feel at ease.

“If I lied to you, what would you do?” Mo Yan heard Luo Tao ask her.

“Lie to me?”

Repeating his question, Mo Yan thought for a moment and said, “If you dare to lie to me, you will be punished to pick me up from work every day. You will also be punished to learn how to cook, and you will be punished to earn a lot of money and give it to me.”

Luo Tao rested his chin on Mo Yan's head and laughed lightly, "Won't you be angry? Won't you ignore me?"

Mo Yan thought about what Luo Tao had said and shook her head, "No, I'm afraid I won't be able to bear to part with you."

Luo Tao was touched. As he hugged Mo Yan tighter and tighter, Luo Tao thought that perhaps he would really do as Mo Cheng wished and not cross the line.

Because the more you cared about someone, the less you wanted to hurt them. He was afraid that Mo Yan wouldn't be able to accept his identity, so before he confessed, he would not touch Mo Yan again.

Chapter 90: I Promise You

It was the weekend. Mo Yan did not work overtime today. Instead, she stayed at home with Luo Tao.

On the small sofa, Luo Tao sat at the side reading a book. Mo Yan lay on his lap and flipped through a document.

After reading for a while, Mo Yan was in a daze again. Her eyes could not focus.

In fact, from yesterday onwards, Luo Tao had noticed Mo Yan's abnormality and asked her if something had happened.

Mo Yan hesitated for a long time but still voiced out the doubts in her heart. This time, not only did she tell him about her and Chen Ya, but she also told him about the conflict between CEO Song and the Deputy General Manager.

"Two nights ago, when I said that I was going to Jing City to expand the business, CEO Song specifically asked me if I wanted to go. I answered yes. But I don't understand why CEO Song is sending me there? There are many people in the company who are more senior and more capable than me. Why is she asking me?"

After listening to Mo Yan's words, Luo Tao pondered for a moment and asked, "Do you think that your leader asked you to go because of those scandals about the Lin family?"

Seeing that he had spoken out her guess so straightforwardly, Mo Yan silently agreed with his words.

"I can't think of anything else. Could it be that CEO Song chose me because I went against Chen Ya? This is simply impossible!"

"Indeed, it's impossible," Luo Tao thought to himself. However, he had already guessed Song Yun's thoughts.

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Although Mo Yan was a newcomer, her abilities were not bad. She had a lot of room for development. It was worth Song Yun taking the risk.

However, there was another more important reason besides this. It was Qin Yuan.

Mo Yan was the person Qin Yuan had named to be taken care of. With the double push from her and Qin Yuan, there was a high chance that her trip to the capital city would be successful.

As for the scandals about the Lin family, Luo Tao curled the corner of his mouth into a mocking smile.

"Luo Tao, are you in a daze?"

Mo Yan put down the paper and looked at the man holding the book.

Luo Tao gently stroked Mo Yan's long hair and replied, "No."

"I'm just wondering what kind of person your leader is."

“You mean CEO Song?” Mo Yan asked.

“Yes.”

Mo Yan recalled the few times she had interacted with Song Yun, she said, “I think that CEO Song is very amazing! She started her own business at the age of 30, founded Hong Jing, and grew the company to a remarkable extent. She is very good to her employees. She would also send colleagues home when everyone was working overtime. Actually, I don’t know if it’s just my imagination, but I feel that CEO Song really likes me.”

At the end of her sentence, Mo Yan secretly laughed. She didn’t know why she had such a feeling.

As he watched Mo Yan’s beaming face, Luo Tao’s expression became even gentler.

“Since you have such a good impression of CEO Song, why do you still think that she asked you to go to Jing City because of the scandal about the Lin family?”

“I had no choice! I was just curious! It’s all because of that big mouth of Chen Ya’s! She deliberately came to me and told me that the project was the Lin family in Jing City’s, causing me to think so much.”

Mo Yan grumbled unhappily, but it was this sentence that made Luo Tao notice the key information.

“You said that Chen Ya specifically told you about it?” Luo Tao frowned and asked.

“Yes.”

Thinking about it, Mo Yan also noticed something unusual. Why did Chen Ya deliberately mention the Lin family to her?

If she had not listened to Chen Ya’s words, she would not have searched for news about the Lin family. Instead, she would have focused all her energy on the project.

“Chen Ya wants me to have suspicions about CEO Song?”

“Maybe it’s more than that.” Luo Tao’s expression was slightly solemn as he continued, “If something really happened, who would be the first person that you would think of who set the trap?”

“CEO Song?” Mo Yan almost cried out in shock.

No wonder Chen Ya wanted to say that to her. She knew that Chen Ya had bad intentions, but did CEO Song not have that kind of intention?

The moment Mo Yan thought it through, a chill suddenly rose from the bottom of her heart. She did not dare to trust anyone right now. She had to be very careful during this trip to the capital city.

Looking at Mo Yan who was like a startled bird, Luo Tao could not help but feel his heart ache.

It was not just what Mo Yan had said. Luo Tao had other thoughts regarding working with the Lin family. He needed to get someone to investigate further.

Luo Tao knew what Mo Yan was afraid of. However, he could not reveal the reason why Song Yun was taking care of her. Perhaps it was not that he could not but that he did not dare. He had to make all the preparations before he laid his cards on the table with Mo Yan.

Holding her in his arms, Luo Tao comforted her softly, “Don’t be afraid. I will be by your side.”

“Okay.” Mo Yan replied.

Recently, she had been praying non-stop, praying that Luo Tao would never know her identity in his life, so that she could be by his side as Mo Lian.

“Luo Tao, it will be very troublesome to go to the capital city this time. You have to protect me well!” Mo Yan placed her hand in Luo Tao’s and said in a gentle voice.

The man took advantage of the situation and shook her hand. He smiled and replied, "Okay, I promise you."