

Sweet Love 3481

Chapter 3481: A New Addition (97)

Gu Jinglian stared at her as she lowered her head, took the pen and focused on filling in the forms. With her head lowered, her hair fell lightly over her forehead, covering her eyes.

Gu Jinglian subconsciously reached out and tucked her hair behind her ear.

Chu He was stunned. She was clearly not used to his intimate actions and said with an awkward expression, "I'm fine."

Gu Jinglian came back to his senses and realized what he was doing. With an odd expression, he retracted his hand and turned his head away with a gloomy expression. He lazily rested his chin on his hand and stopped looking at her.

After completing the forms, Chu He stood up and walked to the window. However, being told that they had to have their thumb prints taken, she returned to Gu Jinglian, saying "You have to come along."

"Whatever for?"

"To put our marks on the document."

"Put our marks?"

Chu He's description was obviously inadequate, so the idea of a contract of sale immediately came to Gu Jinglian's mind.

Was this a marriage certificate or a deed to sell themselves? They were actually required to put their marks on the document?

Chu He marched back to the window with the man in tow. Then she pointed at the printing ink and said, "Have your print taken!"

Gu Jinglian looked icy at this point and his expression darkened. So a thumbprint was required.

The staff looked up and saw a grouchy Gu Jinglian inking his finger. He could not help but silently grumbled, could this be what they call a forced marriage?

After Gu Jinglian placed his thumbprint in the signature box, he returned to his seat.

Chu He asked the staff, "Is that all? Where are the documents?"

"..."

The staff had never come across such a weirdo. She replied patiently, "Do you have photos?"

"Photos? What sort of photos?"

"The photos for the marriage certificate."

Chu He was confused and asked a considerably ridiculous question. "Do we need photos for the marriage certificate?"

"..."

Where did this weirdo come from!?

Did she really not know that photos were needed for the marriage certificate?

The staff took a deep breath, then picked up the 2-inch standard photograph provided by the previous couple and showed it to her. "Here! Photos like these. You guys definitely don't have them, right?"

Chu He said blankly, "...No."

"It's okay if you don't have them, you can have one taken now." The staff member pointed to the price list hanging on the side and said, "But you will have to pay for your photos to be taken."

In other words, hurry up and hand over the money!

Chu He looked at the price list. The cost of creating the documents was twenty yuan, and the photos also cost twenty yuan. It was a total of forty yuan.

Suddenly she looked away. Forty dollars. She walked off briskly, as though she had forgotten her purse.

Chu He reached for her pockets frantically and suddenly realized that she was wearing a dress. There were no pockets, and... it was a new dress.

She returned to Gu Jinglian and stretched her upturned palm towards him. "Money. Did you bring money?"

Gu Jinglian was getting impatient. "What money?"

Chu He did exactly what the staff had done and pointed at the price list. Gu Jinglian looked up at the list and smirked before taking out the all-powerful black and gold card.

Taking the black and gold card from him, Chu He looked a little confused. "You can pay with credit cards here?"

"I don't know."

Chu He took the card and walked back to the counter window. She cleared her throat and asked awkwardly, "Um... can I pay with a credit card?"

The staff turned around and looked at her like she was an idiot. "Cash only."

Chu He was flabbergasted. Half an hour later, Butler Fu arrived at the Bureau with his wallet. The registration was now closed for the day..

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Gu Jinglian sat on the long bench with a dark expression. He was obviously on the verge of exploding. Why was it taking so long to get a marriage certificate?

He said frostily, "Waste of time."

Chu He was speechless as she stood at the side and held her forehead. "We could have gotten it this morning, but you insisted on buying clothes!"

Gu Jinglian glared at her, but Chu He glared back defiantly.

Butler Fu walked over and handed her his wallet. He asked, "Why did you go out without any money?"

"I didn't think we needed to pay to register our marriage."

"The Civil Affairs Bureau is not a charity organization." Butler Fu looked at the time. There was over an hour before the afternoon shift started. He said, "Everyone's off work now. Why don't we go for some food, Old Master?"

Gu Jinglian did not say a word, clearly unwilling to move.

After running around the mall all morning, he obviously didn't wish to be walking around some more.

Seeing this, the helpless butler walked to the side to make a call.

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At work in the afternoon, a few of the staff walked towards the counter, talking as they went. "I met an odd couple this morning. The man looked reluctant, like he'd been forced to marry."

"Oh, I saw them too! That man is so handsome! But he gives off scary vibes. He has got such an ominous presence."

"I heard that they came early in the morning and got their queue number. When it was their turn, it turned out that they didn't bring any money! It was hilarious!"

The group laughed and walked into the hall. As soon as they walked in, they caught a whiff of an enticing aroma. Following the aroma, they walked into the hall and were all dumbfounded.

In the hall, all the long benches had been pushed to one side. In the middle of the room, there was a wooden dining table. On the dining table, there were exquisite and gorgeous looking delicacies, and the fragrance was overwhelming.

The entire scene was incompatible with the shabby registration hall of the Civil Affairs Bureau. The cutlery, especially, was made of superior silver and was beautifully crafted.

Butler Fu and a few chefs stood respectfully by the side. At the dining table, Gu Jinglian ate elegantly. Even against the plain backdrop, he maintained his noble bearing while eating.

Chu He sat opposite him and was forcing herself to eat.

Just half an hour ago, Butler Fu had made a call to the Royal Oriental Restaurant, the most luxurious Chinese restaurant in the capital. Hence, the restaurant's manager had personally led his troop of workers in delivering this sumptuous dishes over.

Before the meal, the hotel manager personally came forward and sprayed disinfectant on the table, and diligently wiped the table several times before Gu Jinglian strolled over to take his seat.

This was...

Perverse! Arrgggh!

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Chu He was dumbfounded when she saw the workers carrying the luxurious dining table in.

It was just a meal. Was there a need to put on such a grand display?

They could just as well have a bowl of noodles at a roadside stall?

However, having contemplated this, given Gu Jinglian's personality, it seemed unlikely that he would lower himself and be willing to sit at a shabby table, dining by the roadside.

However, since they were already here, she thought they might as well take things as they came.

Chu He braced herself and sat down.

The few staff members were flabbergasted.

What the hell was going on?

What did these people take the Civil Affairs Bureau for?

A cafeteria?!

Just as they were about to walk over to reason with them, Butler Fu intervened and whispered something to them. When the women heard this, their eyes widened and they started trembling in fear!

What!?

The man seated at this table was actually...

Ah... good heavens, they seemed to have treated him with rudeness this morning, didn't they?

The group of people huddled together trembling..

Chapter 3483: A New Addition (99)

In the studio.

A few staff members filed in hurriedly and drew the red curtains across, wiping the stools and mopping the floor until the entire studio was spotless. A few of them walked to the door with flattering expressions, bowing to Gu Jinglian as they greeted him, "Chairman Gu, please come in! Haha, please come in!"

Gu Jinglian adjusted his tie and walked in.

Chu He looked at them suspiciously from the corner of her eyes. Weren't these staff members really the people who treated her so coldly in the morning? All of a sudden they were cozying up to them?

She walked in with a look of distrust and noticed a few staff members respectfully escorting Gu Jinglian to the stool like they were lowly servants. They turned around and smiled politely at Chu He, their faces instantly scrunching up like chrysanthemums.

“...”

Couldn't they act normal?

They sent chills down her spine.

Chu He walked awkwardly to Gu Jinglian's side and sat down.

One of the staff made her way behind the camera and looked through the viewfinder. He smiled and said to them, “Sit closer ~ ~ ~”

Goosebumps broke out all over Chu He's body as she inched closer to Gu Jinglian.

“Is this okay?”

The staff took another look through the viewfinder and realized that Gu Jinglian was about to disappear from view. “Sir, move closer this way.”

Gu Jinglian shot Chu He an icy glance and slowly inched a fraction towards her.

“A little closer this way.”

Gu Jinglian moved a little more.

“Move closer. Now you look like you're very unfamiliar with each other. The man should put his arm around the woman's shoulder and be more natural.”

Gu Jinglian raised his arm and pulled Chu He to his side.

Chu He was flabbergasted.

The staff was slightly taken aback.

Gu Jinglian said impatiently, “Hurry up and take the photo.”

“Yes... yes...”

The staff member nodded like he was pounding garlic and took a few shots.

Once the photographs had been developed, they were used for the documents.

Chu He took a look at the marriage certificate after they had received it, in the photo, Gu Jinglian had one arm around her shoulders, looking extremely domineering. There was no expression on his face, neither was there any joy one would normally see on newlyweds. There wasn't even a hint of a smile. All throughout, his expression was stone cold.

At the very least, she bore a slight smile though it was not obvious, and did not look as stiff as he did.

Anyhow.

It was just a document. It would go into the drawer once they got home and would never see the light of day again anyway.

Chu He walked over to Gu Jinglian and handed him a red document. "Here, it's yours."

"Two copies?"

"Yes, one for the bride and one for the groom."

Chu He looked at the time and quickly said, "Alright, I'm going to work."

With that, she left Gu Jinglian alone, greeted Butler Fu on the way out and hurried away.

Gu Jinglian looked at the marriage certificate in his hand and flipped it open. In the photo, the two of them looked awkward but intimate.

This was his first time taking such a photograph with a woman. This woman was now his official wife.

At once, an extremely unfamiliar and awkward feeling rose within him.

Butler Fu walked over and saw Gu Jinglian staring at the photograph on the marriage certificate. He asked quietly, "Old Master, shall we go home?"

The butler's prompt interrupted his train of thought. Gu Jinglian looked up and handed him the document. "You're in charge of safekeeping it."

Butler Fu received the marriage certificate as if it was a precious treasure. He flipped it open and took a look. Instantly he was overjoyed!

Gu Jinglian suddenly warned in an icy tone, "Don't let anyone see it. Do you hear me?"

Uncle Fu immediately held back his laughter and replied seriously, "I understand!"

Chapter 3484: A New Addition (100)

"Wow! Come and look at this! Old Master's marriage certificate!"

"Let me see, let me see!"

"Oh my god! Why is the old master wearing such a weird expression? He doesn't even smile when taking a photo?"

"Show it to me!"

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Upon returning to the Gu residence, Butler Fu had announced in high spirits, "This is Old Master's marriage certificate!"

A group of subordinates crowded around him, scrambling to take a look.

Butler Fu passed the certificate around and warned them at the same time, "Pretend you haven't seen it! Otherwise, Old Master will be angry!"

"Got it, Butler Fu!"

The marriage certificate was passed around for everyone to take a look.

At this point, Baby Chu woke up from his afternoon nap. When he heard the commotion downstairs, he thought some kind of fun game must be going on. He immediately ran downstairs excitedly, only to see a group of people excitedly fighting to take a look at a red document.

"What's that!"

Baby Chu ran back and forth, tip toeing and jumping around. He stretched out his little hands and said, "I want to see it too! Let me see it! Let me see it!"

Butler Fu went up to him and immediately carried the boy in his arms, tapping his nose lightly. "You're awake?"

Baby Chu nodded and asked curiously, "Butler Fu, what are they holding in their hands?"

"Your parents' marriage certificate!"

"Wow...!"

Baby Chu exclaimed and stretched out his hands, asking to take a look.

"Here, Young Master, let me show you!"

Baby Chu immediately took the marriage certificate from them. He looked at the cover. It had a red background bearing a national emblem. There was a row of small words on it, and at the bottom, there were three words embossed in a gold color that were extremely eye-catching.

He pointed at the three words curiously and mumbled, "I don't know what these words are."

"These words read 'marriage certificate'!"

Baby Chu flipped it open and against the red background, the image of Gu Jinglian in a white shirt without his suit jacket, looking elegant and handsome. Next to him, Chu He was in a snow-white dress that matched his white shirt perfectly. The two of them sat in front of the red background.

However, Gu Jinglian looked expressionless as always. Chu He was smiling, but it looked rather awkward.

"Mommy is so pretty! But... why does she look a little chubby in the photo?"

The cameras at the Civil Affairs Bureau were evil.

It made people look ten pounds more than they were.

Chu He's thin face looked a little chubby due to the angle of the camera, but it did not affect her beautiful facial features.

Gu Jinglian, on the other hand, did not look very different on the photograph. His features were chiseled and well-defined. No matter how vicious the camera lens was, it could not distort his good looks.

“Still, it looks pretty good!”

Baby Chu held the marriage certificate to his chest and couldn't bear to let go.

He was obviously very excited. He was happier than anyone else that Chu He and Gu Jinglian were now married!

As a result, when he saw the marriage certificate with his own eyes, he could not help feeling a little emotional and tearing up.

When Butler Fu noticed this, he helplessly laughed and said, “Little guy, why are you crying?”

Baby Chu quickly rubbed his eyes and sniffed. “I'm not crying!”

A blissful smile appeared on his fair little face. “I'm happy!”

He was overjoyed!

Thus, he couldn't help crying tears of joy!

Mommy and Daddy are finally together. Now, they are truly husband and wife!

Finally, Baby Chu feel at ease. He no longer had to worry that his mother would be taken away by some evil uncle, or that his father would marry another woman and give him a stepmother!

At last, Baby Chu felt secure..

Chapter 3485: A New Addition (101)

By the time Chu He arrived at the police station, she was two hours late.

“Chu He, what took you so long?”

A colleague said sullenly, “If it weren't for you, I would have gotten off work earlier! Any later, you might as well turn up just to knock off work!”

Chu He felt somewhat embarrassed. “Sorry, there were too many people at the Civil Affairs Bureau. I was delayed.”

“...Huh?!”

That colleague was taken aback. “You really went to register your marriage?”

Chu He fell silent for a moment before replying, “...as I said so yesterday.”

“I thought you were joking because you were drunk! But to be honest, Chu He, your alcohol tolerance is really something. Have you ever been drunk?”

Chu He shook her head. “No, but I don't drink often.”

Just as she entered the office after logging in on her punch card, she saw Li Xiaofeng returning to his office at the same time. He looked across at her and asked, "Why are you so late?"

"Uh..." Chu He repeated her explanation.

When Li Xiaofeng realized that she had registered her marriage, he suddenly felt disappointed.

Chu He walked to her desk and slipped her marriage certificate into the drawer. Suddenly, a thought struck her and she turned around. "Captain, may I ask you something?"

"Yeah, go ahead."

"Why is the Gu family... such a taboo subject?"

Li Xiaofeng was stunned by Chu He's question. He sat down slowly and said, "Why are you suddenly asking about this?"

"Oh." Chu He said with an unnatural expression, "Nothing, I just suddenly find it rather strange."

"You should have heard of the Gu family of the capital."

"Uh huh."

"A few decades ago, the Gu family was a name that no one dared to mention." Li Xiaofeng continued, "However, in recent years, they have become much more abiding. They've cleaned up much of their businesses. To be precise, the Gu family is no longer just an underground corporation."

Chu He narrowed her eyes, only to hear Li Xiaofeng continue angrily, "But the Gu family is a humiliation to me!"

"What's wrong?"

Li Xiaofeng's strong reaction caused Chu He to feel that something was amiss.

The man took a deep breath but did not continue. Instead, he said calmly, "It's been so many years. Let's not talk about it anymore." As he spoke, he stood up, walked to the door, and lit a cigarette.

Chu He played with her pen and raised her eyebrows but said nothing.

Li Xiaofeng suddenly said, "Chu He, about last night..." He turned around and continued gloomily, "If it had upset you, then just leave it behind you!"

Chu He replied, "You were drunk last night. I didn't take it to heart."

Li Xiaofeng was stunned for a moment before he smiled and rubbed the back of his head in embarrassment. Then he shook his head helplessly and said, "This is my first time wooing a girl, but I failed. How pathetic!"

"It's my first time having someone confessing his feelings to me."

"Uh..."

Chu He suddenly leaned back in her chair and said casually, "In the past, I always felt that love was something that was too far beyond me! I had never dared to think about getting married or having

children. Back then, I was a mercenary. I lived each day as it came, not knowing if I'd be around to see the next."

"Why did you choose to be a mercenary?" Li Xiaofeng could not help feeling curious.. "It's indeed strange for a girl to be a mercenary!"

Chapter 3486: A New Addition (102)

In this country, there were no mercenaries, they were illegal. Only in other countries, especially war-torn areas, would there be mercenary groups with impressive backgrounds.

Chu He asked in return, "What's strange about it?"

"Aren't you afraid of death?"

"If I were, I wouldn't have made this my profession. However, being unafraid of death doesn't mean that you want to die. Everyone wants to live well. If you don't want to live, it's easier to throw yourself into the river."

Becoming a mercenary was for survival. Mercenaries were paid handsomely. Generally speaking, a starting salary of 100,000 yuan was something that many people could only dream about in that era.

It would be reasonable to think that Chu He should have accumulated quite a bit of wealth over the years. She had indeed saved up a small fortune. After being a mercenary for more than three years, she had accumulated millions in assets.

However...

In addition to daily expenses, she had bought an apartment in San Francisco and later donated it to a refugee charity. When she was in Interpol, her salary was much lower than when she was a mercenary. Subsequently, after she had gone missing, the organization must have thought that she was dead, so they might have canceled her account.

She no longer cared about those assets. It was rare for Chu He to talk about the past. For some reason, after getting their marriage certificate today, she felt rather emotional.

In the past, leading such a peaceful life was not something that she had even dared to imagine.

Now, she had a husband in-name, a child – a complete family. What she had never dared to dream of had happened.

"It might have something to do with my circumstances growing up." She looked out of the window with a calm expression. "Ever since I was young, the country that I was born in had countless wars and disputes. At a young age, I experienced a huge change. My family was destroyed and I was homeless. I boarded the humanitarian rescue ship that came from America and arrived safely. In the beginning, I was a mercenary because I wanted revenge."

"Revenge?"

“I wanted to become stronger so that I could maintain peace, and when I became strong enough, I would kill my enemies. However, after I grew up, I realized that the rebel organizations that destroyed my family were long gone. Hence, my wish became just to maintain world peace.” As Chu He spoke, she was amused by her childish thoughts back then, and by the fact that she had such an innocent childhood.

“Isn’t it funny? When I was young, I thought being a mercenary was a sacred profession. Because in many war-torn countries, besides peace keeping troops, the ones who fought against many rebel organizations were mercenaries hired by the country. I was rescued from the flames of war by a mercenary, and wanted to be a brave person just like him when I grew up.”

However, after she grew up, she realized that the world was a complicated place and not as simple as she thought. The strong preyed on the weak. There was no place for the weak to survive.

The organization that they had originally thought of as a righteous organization was merely a joint resistance formed as a result of the incompetence and abusive powers of the government.

As for the troops that claimed to be righteous, they were not doing it for the country’s own benefit. They did it to obtain the local oil and gas resources, and were just invaders.

Hence, she left the mercenary group and joined the Interpol..

Chapter 3487: A New Addition (103)

“In this world, there is no absolute justice, nor is there absolute evil. There is only the strong and the weak.” Chu He said unhurriedly, “Perhaps my words sound ridiculous, but perhaps the absolute justice in your eyes is just for your own benefit, just a high-sounding doctrine.”

Li Xiaofeng stared at her, unable to digest what she had just said.

When Chu He saw him looking at her, she asked curiously, “What’s wrong?”

“Nothing! It’s just that this is the first time I’ve heard someone say that.” The man shook his head and sighed. “Maybe it’s as you said, there’s no absolute justice in this world.”

He changed the topic and asked, “Then why did you leave Interpol?”

“Uh...”

“Interpol, that’s the most authoritative justice organization. I heard that you were once the highest-ranking anti-vice inspector. Why did you come here to take up a position as a lowly police officer?”

Chu He pursed her lips and said, “I’m just going with the flow.”

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Returning home from work, Gu Jinglian had just stepped through the door when he vaguely heard a discussion between a couple of subordinates. "I didn't expect Old Master to be so photogenic. Even some of these celebrities don't look that good in these official photos!"

"However, Big Sister Chu looks a bit fat in the photo! Luckily, she's too skinny to begin with, so she actually ends up looking better on camera."

"Didn't you see how overjoyed Butler Fu was today! Now that Old Master and Big Sister Chu are married, he can finally stop fretting!"

The two of them were sweeping the courtyard and discussing excitedly.

As they swept, they suddenly found themselves sweeping over a pair of exquisite leather shoes.

Their expressions changed as their line of sight moved up the pair of legs attached to the shoes, till they were looking up into Gu Jinglian's sinisterly handsome face.

"..."

Their eyelids started twitching in tacit understanding and they grimaced briefly. Then they straightened themselves awkwardly, giving flattering smiles..

"Old Master! Haha..."

"You're home eh...? Hehe..."

Gu Jinglian glanced at them questioningly and asked in an icy tone, "Where did you see the photos?"

"It's... the photo on Old Master's marriage certificate... Uh..." They fell silent mid-sentence and did not dare to continue. Only because they saw Gu Jinglian's darkening expression.

"Butler Fu!" Gu Jinglian strode upstairs and suddenly kicked open the study room door. Butler Fu was carefully wiping down the desk and was so startled by the loud sound that he almost dropped the rag.

Butler Fu turned around and was taken aback by Gu Jinglian's hostile expression. He hiccuped and stuttered, "Old... Old... Old... Old Master!"

He eagerly went forward. "Hehe, you're home..."

A livid Gu Jinglian grabbed his collar and glared at him, saying between gritted teeth, "Where's the marriage certificate?"

"It's in... in... in... in your drawer..."

"Didn't I tell you not to show it to others!"

Gu Jinglian inched closer to him and questioned him icily, "Did you not hear my instructions?"

"..."

F*ck!

He had been betrayed!?

Which shameless person sold him out? Didn't he warn them all to keep it a secret?!

"I... I clearly kept it safe!"

Butler Fu immediately put on a serious face and said righteously, "That guy must have sneaked a peek of it without asking or telling anyone!"

Gu Jinglian narrowed his eyes. "You mean those people queued up to come into the study room, one at a time, to sneak peeks?!"

Butler Fu fell silent.

Someone, help!

The elderly man trembled as he covered his face. However, the next second, a little angelic lifesaver appeared!

Chapter 3488: A New Addition (104)

"Daddy! You're home!" Baby Chu skipped into the room and clung on to Gu Jinglian's thigh.

When Butler Fu heard Baby Chu's voice, he was almost moved to tears!

An angel from above! Bringing him salvation from the abyss of suffering! Baby Chu's appearance more or less diverted Gu Jinglian's attention.

Butler Fu carefully freed Gu Jinglian's fingers away from his collar. Then, he took half a step back. As he picked up the rag from the ground, Baby Chu exclaimed excitedly, "Daddy, Butler Fu showed me Daddy's and Mommy's marriage certificate! The photo was really well taken! But mostly it's because Daddy is handsome and Mommy is pretty. Wow! That's a perfect match!"

What the hell!

Butler Fu was thunderstruck.

Behind him, Gu Jinglian's expression darkened and his sinister voice sounded like it came from hell. "Butler—Fu—?"

Swish!

It was a mystery how such an old fellow could have such nimble legs, but in a flash, he was gone!

Gu Jinglian clenched his fists in anger, however Baby Chu toddled up to him with open arms for a hug.

"Hug, hug!" He whined, begging for hugs and pampering.

Gu Jinglian's expression softened. He bent down slightly and picked him up.

Baby Chu held his face and kissed him on both cheeks. "Daddy is so well-behaved! Daddy is so awesome!"

The man was stumped.

Hell.

This was the first time he had been praised by someone to be “well behaved”.

And it was coming from a six-year-old.

Carrying the boy, Gu Jinglian sat down on the sofa, looking extremely sullen. The thought that Butler Fu had completely ignored his instruction made him extremely angry.

He told the man to keep it away and not allow anyone to see it. Yet, he had passed it around the moment he came home!

When Baby Chu noticed his gloomy expression, he patted the man’s face a few times and asked, “What’s wrong with Daddy? He looks very unhappy! Today’s a joyous occasion, don’t put on a bitter face!”

“A joyous occasion?” Gu Jinglian grabbed the lad’s hand and warned him sternly, “Don’t hit Daddy’s face.”

“Why?”

“It’s disrespectful.”

Baby Chu nodded as if he understood, then he puffed up his chest and said righteously, “Then Daddy is not allowed to hit me on my head in the future!”

“...?”

Baby Chu replied seriously, “Because that’s also very disrespectful.”

Smack!

Gu Jinglian slapped the boy on his head.

Baby Chu immediately cradled his head and said angrily, “What are you doing?”

“You’re asking for it?”

“When did I ask for a beating? What did I say wrong?”

Gu Jinglian reminded him, “You may educate me if you are my father.”

Baby Chu, on the other hand, put on a straight face like a little adult and grumbled sullenly, “I do want to be your father, but unfortunately, I don’t have the chance! However, if I really have a disobedient son like you, I’ll definitely be so angry that my lifespan will shorten!”

The man was stumped.

He closed his eyes and clenched his fists, resisting the urge to wallop the kid.

Baby Chu continued, “You don’t know how to cherish such a cute son like me. You have to know that being my father is a blessing that you’ve accumulated over several lifetimes.”

Gu Jinglian was at a loss for words.

He suddenly pinched Baby Chu's chubby cheeks and said icily, "Any more nonsense from you, I'll beat you up."

Baby Chu cried out in pain and reached out to grab Gu Jinglian's face..

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The father and son held each other tightly and started to ravage each other!

However, Baby Chu was obviously at a disadvantage!

His chubby little fingers were not as long as Gu Jinglian's, nor were they as strong as his. Hence while Gu Jinglian hardly felt anything, Baby Chu, on the other hand, felt as though his face was about to be ripped apart!

"It hurts!" Baby Chu protested, "Stop pinching me, sob... stop pinching me..."

Gu Jinglian frowned and wrapped his hand around his chubby face, playing with it.

Yes, it felt good. Just like a glutinous rice ball.

Baby Chu, Baby Chu, might as well call him Baby Dumpling.

The chubby baby fat felt so comfortable to the touch that Gu Jinglian could not help but relax his eyebrows. Even that knotted feeling in his heart disappeared!

But for Baby Chu who was being fiercely ravaged by him, it was indescribably painful! He pounded the man again and again, like an angry cat, his arms and legs protesting.

Gu Jinglian finally let go of him. Baby Chu clutched his face in agony, looking like a storm was about to break out!

Gu Jinglian casually picked up the afternoon tea snack and stuffed it into the boy's mouth.

"..." Baby Chu licked it with his tongue, and the sullenness on his face faded away. He exclaimed in surprise, "Wow, it's so sweet!"

The child's was as capricious as the weather in June, swinging from one extreme to the other just like that!

He looked at the refreshments on the coffee table. These were the pastries that Butler Fu had prepared earlier on. Gu Jinglian had fed the boy with a rose pastry.

This was the first time Baby Chu had eaten such a delicious snack. He reached out for another.

Smack!

Gu Jinglian slapped his hand, and Baby Chu retracted it in pain. He glared at the man hatefully, then reached out for the pastry again.

Smack!

“You’re not allowed to have that.” Gu Jinglian coldly stopped the boy, “It’s mine.”

“Petty!” Baby Chu sat down on the carpet and crossed his arms, looking aggrieved.

Gu Jinglian lifted the plate and picked up a piece of rose pastry with his long fingers. He took a bite and then glanced at Baby Chu, who looked at the snack hungrily, almost drooling.

“You want this?”

“Mmm!” Baby Chu hurriedly nodded and expressed his desire.

Gu Jinglian suddenly curved his lips in an evil smirk and said unhurriedly, “That depends on whether you have the capability to get your hands on it.”

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Butler Fu had just tidied up the other rooms when he passed by the study room. He casually pushed open the door and saw Gu Jinglian sitting leisurely on the sofa, picking up a piece of rose pastry and then playfully tossing it so that it traveled in a parabola through the air.

Baby Chu immediately straightened his neck and opened his mouth wide to receive the rose pastry!

“Ahwooh!”

After failing twice to catch it, he was stunned this time. He first predicted where Gu Jinglian would throw the rose pastry. As such, the moment the rose pastry was thrown out, he reacted in time and leaned over, opening his mouth and catching the rose pastry squarely.

Gu Jinglian generously praised him. “Beautiful.”

The boy became rather smug and puffed up his chest proudly.

Butler Fu was petrified into speechlessness.

“Daddy, am I awesome?” Baby Chu lay on his lap with an expression as though he was looking for praise. If he had a tail, it would be wagging furiously right now.

Gu Jinglian patted his head and said, “Mmm hmm, impressive.”

“Hehe!” Then Baby Chu caught sight of Butler Fu from the corner of his eye. He immediately turned around and said to the man, “Butler Fu, come play with us! This game is very fun!”

Gu Jinglian turned to look at Butler Fu, his gaze turning cold at once.

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“Uh...” Butler Fu immediately cleared his throat and said, “I’m busy with things.”

With that, he turned around and quickly slipped away.

Butler Fu was prepared to teach those scoundrels for spilling on him on the matter of Old Master's marriage certificate.

Now that he had offended Old Master, he dared not show his face in front of the man for several days!

He shut the door behind him.

Gu Jinglian turned his attention back to Baby Chu and saw the boy looking at him expectantly, crying, "Let's continue playing! Let's continue playing! This game is fun!"

It was much more interesting than playing electronic games!

The important thing was, no matter what game, as long as he could play it with Gu Jinglian, Baby Chu would find it very fun. He enjoyed his time with Gu Jinglian very much. No matter how boring the game was, he found it interesting.

Gu Jinglian replied plainly, "Nah."

"Why?" The lad was disappointed. He shook his head and said pitifully, "Why aren't you playing anymore?"

"Daddy has something to do."

"Oh." Baby Chu, on the other hand, was rather good at reading people and was very tactful. Thus, he mumbled, "I'll go play with Butler Fu!"

With that, he stood up and ran to look for Butler Fu with the rose pastry.

Gu Jinglian suddenly stood up and walked slowly to his desk. A thought struck him and he silently pulled open the drawer. In the drawer, on top of a pile of accounts, sat the red marriage certificate. The embossed words on the cover were eye-catching.

He sat down on the chair and picked up the marriage certificate. He flipped it open and the photograph of him and Chu He came into view.

In the photograph, he held Chu He's shoulder as he looked into the camera, his expression cold and his dark eyes unfathomable.

So that was what others thought of him.

Gu Jinglian subconsciously lifted his hand and touched his own face, somewhat surprised. He rarely looked at himself in the mirror. Hence, from the photo, he could see how icy he looked.

No wonder Baby Chu initially avoided him when he first came to the Gu family residence. The boy seemed terrified of him.

Next to him, Chu He was caught off guard by his sudden move of putting his arm around her. At the same time, she had tried to smile for the picture, but it came out looking odd.

She smiled awkwardly. Or even, a little unwillingly.

Unwilling!?

Gu Jinglian narrowed his eyes at once. His gaze fell on Chu He's awkward expression and he felt inexplicably unhappy.

He was so engrossed in the photograph that he did not notice the footsteps outside the door.

Chu He had pushed open the door and walked in when she saw Gu Jinglian staring at the marriage certificate. Her lips twitched.

"Is the marriage certificate so interesting?"

This startled the man and he jumped before she could finish her sentence. Gu Jinglian instinctively snapped the marriage certificate shut and tossed it into the drawer. He looked at Chu He and frowned.

"Who let you in?"

In other words, he wanted to know why she had not knocked.

Chu He crossed her arms and gestured at the door that had been left ajar. "The door wasn't closed. I thought there was no one in here."

The man was stumped.

Chu He saw his unhappy expression and found it funny. "I saw you staring at the marriage certificate the moment I came in. Why? What's so interesting about it?"

As she spoke, she leaned over to see if his marriage certificate was any different from hers.

Gu Jinglian pushed the drawer shut to stop her prying eyes.

She frowned. "What are you doing? Trying to guard against thieves?"