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Chu He asked again, "Who made these paper cuttings then?"

Gu Jinglian said decisively, "Butler Fu."

Butler Fu and Baby Chu said in unison, "Old Master made them."

"Daddy made them."

Gu Jinglian was speechless.

Chu He burst into laughter, "Hahaha! You can't even coordinate a lie?"

"..."

Gu Jinglian suddenly stood up and left the room with a gloomy expression.

After he left, Baby Chu and Linxi looked at each other and burst into laughter!

Butler Fu was also speechless. "Old Master just doesn't mean what he says. His words are sharp, but his heart is soft. He clearly did it with his heart, but he refuses to admit it."

Linxi also said, "Isn't there a saying that goes, if you want to save face, you have to suffer. I think Daddy just wants to save face!"

Baby Chu nodded fervently. "That's right, that's right! Daddy is so awkward!"

Chu He looked disdainful, but in fact, she secretly found it rather heartwarming. In reality, how could she not know that these paper cuttings were all made by Gu Jinglian? It was simply asking the obvious. She knew that apart from Gu Jinglian, no one else could make such beautiful paper cuttings.

Chu He walked over to the table and picked up the half-done paper cutting that Gu Jinglian had made. She studied it carefully. The edges were neatly trimmed and the texture was simple. It was obvious that Gu Jinglian had meticulously cut it bit by bit with a craft knife.

A subtle smile escaped from Chu He's lips as her fingers gently caressed the uncompleted paper cutting...

At night, Gu Jinglian sat in the study room. As usual, he took a shower and was reading before bedtime.

After a shower, Chu He walked to the study. When she saw Gu Jinglian sitting at the desk, she smiled and walked over.

Gu Jinglian heard footsteps but did not look up. He did not move and continued reading attentively. Except that although he appeared to be reading, not a single word was registering. He did not flip a page for a long time.

Chu He stood behind him and followed his gaze to the book. He did not turn the page even after she had finished reading it.

“You’re such a meticulous reader.” Chu He paused before continuing, “Are you reading every word?”

Gu Jinglian finally raised his head and glanced at her, but his expression was unfathomable.

Chu He snatched the book from him and flipped the page. Just as she was about to turn around and sit down on the sofa to read it seriously, Gu Jinglian suddenly reached out, circled his arms around her waist and drew her towards himself.

The woman was caught off guard and fell into his arms. She looked up and met his deep eyes. Gu Jinglian lowered his head and stared at her face. He sized her up inch by inch as his slender fingers gently caressed her cheeks.

It was smooth and flawless, and felt surprisingly good.

The man suddenly bent over and gently kissed her lips, having felt compelled to do this for no reason.

However, unlike other men, he did not do this in a rush. Rather, he gave her light pecks on her lips, he didn’t seem hurried to go any further..

Chu He subconsciously resisted by pushing against his shoulder. His kiss was so sudden that she was not prepared for it!

However, no matter how strong she was, Gu Jinglian’s figure remained firm. No matter how hard she pushed, he was steadfast as a rock.

“What are you doing?!” Her face was slightly flushed and her eyes were filled with anger.

Gu Jinglian snorted.. “Can’t tell?”

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“...”

“I’m kissing you.” After Gu Jinglian said this, his thin lips came down again.

This time, the kiss was much gentler. His mouth sealed over hers as he gently sucked on her lips. Chu He too, gradually got used to this kiss and stopped resisting...

She looked up into Gu Jinglian’s deep eyes. On the windows were the bright red paper cuttings of the character “joy”. It seemed she could almost imagine what it would be like on the day of their marriage. However, in a way, it was also hard to imagine..

What sort of clothes he would wear when he would walk up to her and take her hand? Would his smile on that day be as solemn as it usually was? Would he hold her hand wearing that usual dispassionate look of disapproval?

She could not imagine. She had never even thought that such a day would come for her to be married to such a man.

When she heard the name Gu Jinglian for the first time, besides a sense of unfamiliarity, she also felt an inexplicable hostility.

This name echoed like thunder throughout Interpol. As an undercover agent, she had frequent and close contact with this man and had a different understanding of him. Vicious, cruel, unscrupulous, and always able to corner his opponent then walk away without a care in the world. At that time, how could she have ever imagined that she would one day become his wife?

She remembered, this man had once made it clear that he would never marry and have children like other men. She never thought that she would have such an adorable and well behaved son with him, much less, be married to him.

“Gu Jinglian...” Chu He suddenly spoke.

“Uh huh?”

“Do you really want to marry me?”

Gu Jinglian raised his eyebrows. “Why are you suddenly asking this question?”

“Didn’t you say that you’d never get married?”

She continued, “Could it be that our wedding is a game to you? Or is it just compensation for Baby Chu?”

Gu Jinglian’s gaze flickered. He turned his eyes away but did not answer immediately.

Chu He held his face and forced him to turn his head to look at her. She probed further, “Getting married means that we will be together forever. Are you willing to spend the rest of your life with me?”

The man pursed his thin lips tightly, unable to speak.

Chu He was a little angry. “Are you sincere about being with me?”

“Of course!”

“Well...” Chu He finally asked the question in her heart, “Do you like me?”

She did not dare to mention the word “love”, nor did she dare to imagine that such an arrogant man like Gu Jinglian would commit to a woman for life. However, even if he liked her a little, this liking would have more weight than what most other men might term “love”.

Gu Jinglian stared at her for a while before suddenly asking, “Do you like me?”

He asked this with an awkward expression.

Chu He smiled at this question and replied “I do!”

She decided not to hide it anymore. Perhaps her initial decision to settle down in the Gu family residence was purely to give Baby Chu a home. Other children had parents, but Baby Chu did not. She had always felt ashamed over this. By doing this, to put it nicely, she was sacrificing her own lifelong happiness. But bluntly speaking, it was for selfish reasons, to fulfill Baby Chu’s dream of having a family..

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However, after getting used to life in the Gu family residence, Chu He realized that she had developed certain attachments to the Gu family. This kind of emotion was too subtle. If one was not attentive, it would easily go undetected.

It was the feeling of home. The warmth of home.

She had never felt this way before. Even though she did not accept Gu Jinglian wholeheartedly and only treated him as Baby Chu's father, a family member, but not a husband.

However, during that trip where she had risked everything and sneaked into North Africa to look for Gu Jinglian amidst the gunfire, on the edge of life and death, in the chaos of war, she realized that she had to re-evaluate her feelings for Gu Jinglian.

Was it love?

Was it a mere liking?

If she didn't love him, if she didn't like him, why would she have disregarded her own life to locate him?

Was it purely because she did not want Baby Chu to lose his biological father?

She could not bear to see Baby Chu suffer the pain of being separated from his flesh and blood?

More than once, she had asked herself as she lay in the darkness, would she have gone to North Africa to look for the man if it had not been for Baby Chu? The answer was a resounding "yes". Even if she had to face death, she would find him and bring him home!

Although she had never liked a man or had ever been in a relationship, and had no idea what it felt like to like or love someone, her understanding of love was that she would not leave nor want to leave that person.

"Like" she must like him! Otherwise, why would she risk her life for such a

Chu He recognized her feelings and her heart. Hence, when Gu Jinglian asked her this, she admitted that she liked him!

She had always been a woman who dared to love and hate with any regards to the principle that men should take the initiative and women should be reserved. If she liked someone, that was an unchangeable fact. And she would say it as it were, there was nothing to hide!

In one's life, one should not make a choice or say things that one would regret.

There also shouldn't be any regret over what one had said or done!

"Yes I do!" She smiled calmly. 'Gu Jinglian, listen carefully. I, Chu He, do like you.'

Even though he had hurt her before, he had also brought her joy. Like, had nothing to do with love or hate.

Gu Jinglian was rather taken aback by her answer, but he smiled! He understood her personality. She was open and honest and was not someone who would hide her feelings! She was straightforward and liberal.

This was also... one of the reasons why he liked her.

‘What about you? You haven’t answered my question.’

Chu He raised her eyebrows. “I don’t like us getting married and holding a ceremony just for the sake of Baby Chu’s feelings. You either like me, or don’t. You aren’t even afraid of death, surely you have the courage to answer this question?”

Gu Jinglian asked, “Is the answer that important?”

“Of course.”

Gu Jinglian laughed when he heard this! He was no different from Chu He.

He grew up in an emotionless environment that gave him a cold personality. He handled relationships lightly and was the sort of person who would stop at nothing until he achieved his goal.

He had had countless women, but Chu He was the most special one. She was a woman, but her personality was tougher than a man’s. She didn’t know how to be elegant and beautiful, nor did she know how to be cute and dependent.

Sometimes, she was even very violent, and her punches and kicks were even tougher than those of a man. In serious situations, she was on par with him, she was not inferior to any man..

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It wasn’t that he had never had a woman who was more beautiful than her. There were many different types of women, but only Chu He was special. Not only was she Baby Chu’s biological mother. She seemed to be the only woman who would risk her life for him.

Was he touched?

Afraid not.

How could a proud man like him, Gu Jinglian, commit his entire life just because he was touched by this ridiculous relationship?

For Baby Chu?

Similarly, he would never stake his life for a child!

Only then did he realize that liking someone really didn’t require a reason.

Adorable? Gentle? Amorous? She had none of these qualities that women should possess. Was this an affirmation of the saying that one doesn't really need a reason to like someone, one just has to be willing to be with her... for a lifetime? She might have many flaws, but it did not affect him liking her.

Gu Jinglian lowered his head gently. As their lips were about to meet, he murmured softly, "If this feeling of wanting to be with you means liking you, then."

He didn't continue and deepened the kiss. The answer was self-evident.

Men like him never liked to make a big show of things. Usually, aloof men like him would keep everything in their hearts.

Chu He understood. She seemed to have found his answer in the kiss.

He liked her!

If they liked each other, they could spend the rest of their lives together. A lifetime was a short time, but also a long time. Only they knew in their hearts that this decision had nothing to do with Baby Chu, it was for themselves!

This was also one of the reasons why Gu Jinglian did not hold a grudge against Yun Tianyou over the North Africa incident.

With his vengeful personality, the incident in North Africa would have become an eternal rift between the Gu and Mu families.

Except that, despite having lost Wirth, he found his heart.

Chu He did not want to take the wedding portrait initially, but Baby Chu insisted on it. It was just nice to take a family photo too.

There had been times when the kindergarten held an event and the form teacher had requested for the children to bring a family portrait. Baby Chu was unable to produce one, so he could only give the excuse that he could not find his family portrait.

Now, this was the perfect opportunity.

Since Baby Chu had raised this, Chu He had no reason to reject him. After the wedding portraits were taken, Butler Fu separately took a photograph of Chu He and passed it to the tattoo artists of the Gu family.

There were five tattoo artists in the Gu family residence. The tattoos and totems on the bodies of the few thousand disciples of the Gu family were all handled by these tattoo artists in the Gu residence.

The photograph that Butler Fu took was one of Chu He in the dragon and phoenix gown and wearing a phoenix coronet.

Using the photograph, the tattoo created a colored design.

Chu He didn't know about this. However, a few days later, Chu He detected something fishy about Gu Jinglian. There was a tattoo on his body.

That night, when she entered the bedroom, she caught sight of Gu Jinglian putting on his bathrobe. She vaguely noticed a strange mark on his left chest. When he wasn't paying attention, she swept his bathrobe aside to expose his chest and saw a tattoo of her own face!

'What's this?'

Gu Jinglian waved her hand away awkwardly. "Nothing."

"I saw it!" Chu He frowned. "That's my face!"

She caught a glimpse of it and vaguely recognized it to resemble the wedding portraits that were taken a few days ago..

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The fan she held up obscured most of her face, revealing only her eyes. The tassels of her phoenix coronet hung from her hair. It was designed by the tattoo artist to create a heavily colored tattoo on his chest, positioned over his heart.

Chu He was stunned.

He had a tattoo done!?

How was this tattoo of her image made?

Chu He was so curious that she reached out in an attempt to pull his bathrobe off. "Let me see."

Gu Jinglian slapped her hand away. "No."

"Let me see! It's my portrait after all. Don't I have the right to see it?"

Gu Jinglian said awkwardly, "No, you don't have the right to."

Chu He was displeased. Angered, she grabbed Gu Jinglian by the collar and threw him onto the bed. She straddled him and pinned his hands down. Then, she lifted his bathrobe collar and pulled it apart!

She was dumbfounded when she saw the tattoo on his chest.

"You..." Chu He frowned. "What does it mean?"

"Nothing."

"You wouldn't have done this for no reason, right?" Chu He asked with a smile,

"You think that I look really good in this photo too?"

"Shut up!" "Or did you want to engrave my most beautiful image over your heart forever?" "Shut up!"

"How awkward is it that you've gotten yourself a tattoo and said nothing about

"Shut up!" "Gu Jinglian, I didn't think you love me this much.'

“Shut up!”

From outside the door, Butler Fu, who happened to be passing by, overheard the bickering and could not help chuckling. In fact, he had only asked the digital technician for this wedding portrait at Gu Jinglian’s instructions.

On that day, the wedding photographs were printed on the spot. Gu Jinglian had a look at this particular portrait but had not commented on it. He then requested Butler Fu to have it printed and forwarded it to the Gu family’s tattoo artists for design production.

Butler Fu asked the man what he wanted to do with it. Gu Jinglian merely asked him to do as told and did not say anything else.

How could Butler Fu not know though? He immediately understood!

Old Master wanted to have an image of his wife tattooed on his body.

Gu Jinglian did not have any tattoos on his body, but this one covered his entire chest area without no space left untouched. Right in the center of his chest. This was also the most sacred position, right over his heart.

He had her image tattooed.

What did this mean?

Butler Fu felt gratified when he saw this! This meant that the old master really cared about Chu He. He was overjoyed! More than anyone else.

To have the chance in his living years to witness his old master’s happiness, he considered his greatest wish finally fulfilled!

However, how could the proud Gu Jinglian tell Chu He this?

He would never be able to say such embarrassing words in his entire life! Chu

He would never be able to get an answer out of him, no matter what!

By chance, Baby Chu discovered this tattoo as well. He recognized it immediately. It was Chu He’s portrait. Without another word, he went back to his room to flip through his photo album.

Finally, he found an especially cute photo. Baby Chu held it up and ran over to Gu Jinglian, positioning the photo on the man’s right chest. Gu Jinglian lifted his collar and asked sullenly, “What are you doing!?”

“Daddy, look. How about you tattoo an image of me here?”

The boy showed him the photo as he poked his right chest and asked.

“Get lost!”

Gu Jinglian shoved him aside without any hesitation.

Baby Chu was indignant at the man’s words!

'Why! Why!'

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"No reason!"

Baby Chu said angrily, "You've only tattooed an image of Mommy and not me! Why!"

Gu Jinglian snorted. "No reason! You're ugly!"

Swish!

A critical hit!

Baby Chu's heart was shattered into pieces!

Holding his heart, he asked pitifully, "You say I'm ugly..."

"..."

Baby Chu knelt on the ground, his palm pressed against his lips, acting like a resentful woman. "You say I'm ugly... Daddy is biased..."

Gu Jinglian was speechless. Was this guy a drama queen? Where did this act come from?

He said coldly, "Gu Chengze, enough is enough!"

Baby Chu burst into tears. "Daddy doesn't love me! Daddy doesn't love me! Daddy will only tattoo an image of Mommy and not me! Daddy is so biased, so biased..."

Gu Jinglian wished he could kick the boy out of the room. He chided, "Why are you like a resentful woman?"

Superb acting skills. It was so obvious that he was just pretending! After all that bawling, there wasn't even a drop of tear!

Baby Chu asked eagerly, "Daddy, honestly, do you really think your son is

Gu Jinglian responded with an "uh huh" and the boy started bawling again, then ran away with his hands covering his face. He ran all the way to Chu He's room and complained to her! When Chu He heard his story, she was confused. However, when she saw Baby Chu's funny look, she could not help laughing aloud!

"Daddy is just jealous that you're cute!"

"Hmph! That must be it!" Baby Chu crossed his arms and nodded seriously. "Daddy must be jealous that I'm cute, that's why he said that. He's just trying to piss me off!" However, he added longingly, "But Baby Chu also wants to be tattooed on Daddy."

"Why is that such a big deal?"

“Well it feels...” Baby Chu contemplated for a moment. “It makes me feel special. ” Chu He teased him, “How about Mommy tattoo an image of you on my chest?”

“Okay.”

Chu He wasn't just teasing him, so she took the photograph from the boy and located the tattoo artist. She asked him to design a graphic image based on the photograph.

When Butler Fu found out about this and told Gu Jinglian about it, the man blew his top. “I'm not allowing that tattoo!”

That same night, when Chu He went back to the bedroom and saw Gu Jinglian at his study desk. Out of the blue, the man blurted, “I'm not allowing it!”

Chu He did not understand what he was trying to say and was confused. “What do you mean by ‘not allowing’? Not allowing what exactly?”

“I heard that you wish to tattoo an image of Baby Chu on your body.”

Chu He suddenly realized what the man was talking about. “Oh, you're talking about this matter.” She nodded. “I do have that thought.”

“No. Not allowed.”

“Why?!”

This man was too overbearing! So only he was allowed to do certain things and others were not?

“You've got yourself a tattoo, why can't I?”

Gu Jinglian frowned but said nothing. In reality? He didn't want Chu He to bear anything on her body that was of discord. What if, when they got intimate in bed, he would somehow end up in a position where he had to look at the image of that boy...

It was a horrifying feeling! He would somewhat feel as though he was being watched. That would simply kill the mood! Moreover, her skin was so fair, smooth, and clean. A tattoo would simply ruin her beauty.

“I'm not allowing it and that's that. You're not allowed to have a tattoo.”

Chu He argued, “I promised Baby Chu. I promised the child. I have to keep my word. Besides, you've got yourself a tattoo. It's not a big deal for me to have one too!”

“You can have a tattoo.” The man finally gave in. “But it has to be a small one, and it has to be located on your butt..”

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“Make the tattoo a small one, on your butt.”

“...”

Wouldn't that annoy Baby Chu to tears? Would a father play such tricks on his son? Chu He could totally imagine that if she were to tattoo his portrait on her butt, the boy would whine pitifully, "Mommy, I'm on your butt, and then you'll be sitting on me every day. Sob sob sob, Baby Chu feels so aggrieved..."

"No way." Chu He immediately interrupted.

Gu Jinglian asked, "Why not?"

"You've tattooed me on your chest, wouldn't it be a world of difference if I were to tattoo Baby Chu on my butt!?"

"..."

Gu Jinglian sat down at the table and snorted. "Why should you tattoo him on you? I won't allow it."

"You're so overbearing."

"It's not as if you've only just gotten to know me. You never knew that I'm this domineering?"

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The boy clutched his chest. "What?! How can he be so heartless..."

"Be good." Chu He smiled and squatted down. She touched his head and said, "Actually, getting a tattoo hurts a lot. You wouldn't want Mommy to be in pain getting a tattoo done, right?"

Baby Chu nodded, but he felt a little awkward. In fact, it was fine if Chu He did not want a tattoo. The problem was that Gu Jinglian actually said that she had to tattoo an image of him on her butt!

On! Her! Butt! How infuriating! But in front of Chu He, he had to maintain his smile. Baby Chu clenched his fists, feeling indignant. Suddenly, as though a thought occurred to him, his eyes flashed and he started chuckling.

In the past few days, Baby Chu had been much more well-behaved. On this particular day, he took a break. In the evening, he suddenly dashed into Gu

Jinglian's study. Gu Jinglian had just returned from the office. He had just hung up from a telephone call where he was giving some instructions on the wedding event. When he looked up, he saw Baby Chu standing at the doorway in a bathrobe. However, the man detected a hint of mischief.

"Daddy!"

Gu Jinglian's brows twitched. He didn't know what this little fellow was up to.

"What do you want?"

"I got a tattoo!" Baby Chu flipped his hair proudly and walked over to the man with his hips swaying. He placed his little hand on the desk, looking very pleased with himself.

Gu Jinglian responded with an "Oh" but appeared indifferent. "What does it have to do with me?"

"Of course it's got everything to do with you!"

Baby Chu rested his hand on his chest and put on a flattering expression. "To express my deep love for Daddy, I drew Daddy's picture and tattooed it on my butt."

Deep love?

His picture?

Tattooed on the boy's butt? Gu Jinglian was speechless.

What!?

“What do you think?” Baby Chu raised his eyebrows.. “See how well I treat Daddy?”

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Baby Chu raised his eyebrows. “See how well I treat Daddy?”

As he said that, he took half a step back and pulled his bathrobe open. He turned his back to the man and stuck out his naked, round and extremely bouncy butt. Gu Jinglian noted that there was indeed a tattoo on the boy’s butt!

“You!”

“Hehe! Daddy, if I make Daddy angry in the future, you don’t have to do it yourself. I can just spank my own butt!”

As Baby Chu said this, he delivered a hard slap to his own butt. His little butt jiggled from the impact, and Gu Jinglian’s image instantly turned a bright red. It was as though he had been slapped in the face!

The man scowled at once!

“Behave yourself!”

“Daddy, you’re angry!” Baby Chu flashed him an evil smile. “I’ll spank myself ten times then!” As he said this, he smacked his own butt again.

No matter how one looked at it, it was glaring. It was as if these few slaps had all landed on his face! Gu Jinglian suddenly stood up and aggressively walked towards Baby Chu.

“Gu Chengze!”

When Baby Chu turned around and saw his expression, he instantly realized that Gu Jinglian was truly angry. Before he could put his bathrobe back on, he ran out of the door in a panic.

“Woah! Murder!”

Gu Jinglian quickly ran after him. A few servants passed by and saw the naked little kid tearing crazily down the corridor. Running naked. Behind, Gu Jinglian ran after him with large strides. Like a gust of wind, he lifted Baby Chu!

“Waaaaa!” “Shut up!”

“Don’t hit me!”

Bam! Bam!Two thuds, loud and clear.

“You like to smack your own butt so much?” Gu Jinglian asked as he tousled the boy’s hair. “I’m sure you don’t mind me giving you a hand?”

Gu Jinglian did not wait for Baby Chu to finish speaking. He started smacking the child’s buttocks. Baby Chu cried out in pain...

By the time Chu He returned to her room, Gu Jinglian was sitting elegantly on the sofa with his legs crossed and an icy expression on his face. Meanwhile, Baby Chu was kneeling on the sofa. His buttocks were swollen and half of the painting on his buttock had been smudged.

When the boy had gone to the tattoo artist with the photograph, of course the artist did not dare to tattoo the boy. After all, children can be rather insensible and speak without thinking. But if he were to go ahead to tattoo the boy, surely he would have to bear the consequences when the old master found out? Therefore, the artist had only gone as far as to transfer the picture onto the boy, but did not make a tattoo.

Gu Jinglian could tell at a glance that this was only the first step of creating the tattoo. Once the picture had been printed on the butt, the next step would have been the needling. There was no turning back once that happened.

Baby Chu was sobbing and rubbing his eyes. Gu Jinglian had put on some clothes for him. He was wearing a pair of tiny briefs and his butt was exposed.

When he saw Chu He, he cried even harder and reached out with his tiny hands, asking to be carried.

As Chu He came up to the boy, Gu Jinglian snorted and said, "You're not to carry him."

"What's the matter?" Chu He ignored the man and picked Baby Chu up in her arms.

"Don't cry, Baby Chu!"

"Mommy, my butt is swollen!"

"I know, I know.. I'll apply some ointment for you later!"

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The wedding date was getting closer. Everyone in the Gu family was in a state of anxiety. No one dared to be negligent. If anything were to go wrong during the wedding, none of them would be able to escape Gu Jinglian's wrath.

With the wedding merely ten days away, an accident caught everyone off guard.

...

Chu He seemed to be pregnant.

No one had expected this. It wasn't that this realization came because her period was late. Although she wasn't terribly busy with organizing the wedding event, she had to make preparations nevertheless, as a bride-to-be. Amidst these things, she failed to realize that she had missed her period. Until one day when she woke up, feeling rather uncomfortable.

She had been feeling extremely exhausted these past few days. No matter how much she slept, she simply found it hard to wake up. During dinner time that night, it started with her having no appetite. But later, the situation deteriorated. She would feel unwell the moment she ate anything greasy,

especially streaky pork, braised pork, and chicken drumsticks. Initially she would only feel uncomfortable when she ate these. However, as time passed, the symptoms got worse.

Chu He could not bear to look at the food, or even have them mentioned. The moment they were mentioned, she would throw up. It didn't occur to her that she might be pregnant until later, when she dashed to the flower bed to retch after passing by the kitchen and hearing the sound of cooking.

When Madam Qin, who was passing by, saw this, she immediately walked over and asked suspiciously, "Could it be you're pregnant?"

"Pregnant?"

"Aiyo, are you having a baby!"

As Madam Qin spoke, she blushed and asked vaguely, "Have you and Master Gu been... cough, cough, cough... have you been..."

She did not say it explicitly, but it was understood.

Chu He narrowed her eyes in suspicion.

Not that they haven't. They had been intimate a few times after they returned from North Africa. However, she had taken contraceptive measures.

Every single time.

Actually, from Chu He's perspective, she didn't want children. She wasn't sure about Gu Jinglian.

However, the man obviously didn't insist one way or another when it came to having children. He left it to nature to take its course.

Prior to the North Africa trip, they had been intimate twice, and she had already taken precaution. How could she be pregnant? However, all the symptoms she was suffering pointed to pregnancy, so Chu He went to the pharmacy to buy a pregnancy test kit.

In the morning, after Gu Jinglian left the room, Chu He secretly took the pregnancy test kit and went into the bathroom. She followed Madam Qin's instructions and took the test.

When she came out of the bathroom, Chu He was frowning.

This matter was too mysterious!

How could this be...

She was pregnant?

When Chu He came downstairs from the bedroom, Madam Qin saw her and immediately came up to her. She asked curiously, "How is it? Are you pregnant?"

Chu He looked at her with a complicated expression and nodded gently. "Yes..."

"That's great!" Madam Qin was flushed with excitement. "Does Master Gu also know about this?"

"He doesn't know yet."

“Then... I’ll quickly convey this information to him!”

“Don’t. He left the house early in the morning. There’s really no hurry.”

Madam Qin was stunned. She carefully probed, “Madam, why does it look like you’re not very happy? Are you unhappy that you’re pregnant?!”

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“Seeing that Baby Chu is going to have a sibling, both Master Gu and the boy would surely be overjoyed to learn of it!”

“But...” Chu He said hesitantly, “I didn’t plan to have another child!”

“Why?!”

“I thought that having Baby Chu and Linxi was enough! Baby Chu might not be happy to have another sibling!”

She already felt that having two sons was enough. If there should be one more, a daughter might be fine. But if it turned out to be another son, the three of them would definitely cause a huge ruckus. It had taken Linxi more than a month to adapt to everything after he came to the Gu family residence. It wasn’t easy but things turned out well.

Baby Chu and Linxi were both boys. Linxi was quiet at first, but after meeting such a lively child like Baby Chu, he had been led astray and became rather mischievous. No... Not rather, but very. If they were to have another son, the boys would practically turn the Gu family residence upside down.

Madam Qin laughed when she heard this. “How is that possible? No matter how much trouble three children can cause, how could they possibly cause such a huge ruckus in the Gu family residence?”

“You wouldn’t know.”

“Master Gu was very naughty when he was young but I had never seen him causing a ruckus at home. This should not be your first worry! In the first place, do you want this child?”

Chu He smiled. “Of course I can’t bear to get rid of my own baby. Of course I have to keep it!”

Although she was not seeking to have another child, since she was pregnant, she accepted it as destiny.

“Isn’t that good? Since you’ve decided to keep it, be happy!”

When Chu He heard this, she was no longer troubled by it.

Madam Qin told Butler Fu about this matter. Butler Fu was somewhat hesitant when he heard about it, however Madam Qin said that Chu He had already done a pregnancy test, and suggested that when Master Gu came home, he should take her to the hospital for an ultrasound, that would confirm the matter.

Butler Fu got excited upon learning this. Ignoring Madam Qin's protest, he excitedly called Gu Jinglian to report this matter. On the other end, Gu Jinglian was still in a meeting. When he heard about this, he lost interest in the meeting and rushed home.

Chu He was resting in her room. For some reason, she had been feeling tired and weak. When Gu Jinglian entered the room, she was taking a nap. She sat up in surprise when she heard the sound of the door opening. When she saw it was Gu Jinglian, she subconsciously looked at the sky outside the window. There was daylight still.

"You... Why are you home so early?"

Gu Jinglian walked to the bedside with a serious expression and asked in a deep voice, "Are you... really pregnant?"

So it was because of this. She supposed Butler Fu and Madam Qin couldn't wait to tell him about it.

Chu He replied, "I'm not completely sure. I only took a pregnancy test."

Gu Jinglian immediately said, "Get up and get dressed."

"We'll go to the hospital now and get a checkup."

"Now?"

Chu He grimaced. "There's no big hurry, right?"

Gu Jinglian, on the other hand, could not wait any longer. However, given his personality, he was naturally too embarrassed to say it aloud. Thus, he tried to look nonchalant.

"Pregnancy test kits are not accurate. We have to go to the hospital for a checkup before we can be sure."

Chu He agreed and got off the bed to get dressed.

When she got off the bed, Gu Jinglian went up to her and helped her up.

Chu He was flabbergasted.. "I'm just pregnant, I'm not an invalid..."