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Chapter 156: A Reward Before Our Meal

“Our relationship ended long ago,” Lin Yin said. His tone was gentle, but his words were cruel.

Bai Qingyu froze. Her eyes widened in disbelief as she looked at him. Her words were said to him, but it was as though she was convincing herself as she said, “But, but you clearly still care about me. You even missed your wedding because of me...”

Lin Yin’s expression did not change as he said, “You were alone overseas and came to me for help. I naturally can’t stand aside and do nothing. Furthermore, it was my fault that we separated. I thought I should make it up to you.”

Tears welled up in Bai Qingyu’s eyes as she said chokingly, “So, you, you only did that to make it up to me...”

‘It’s only out of guilt?’

“Youyou has always been very kind and obedient. I thought she would understand me,” Lin Yin said. His voice carried a hint of helplessness and regret when he spoke. He did not expect Xu Youyou to break up with him so decisively and marry another man. If he had known, he would not have abandoned her during the wedding.

“But she’s married now,” Bai Qingyu said unwillingly, “She doesn’t want you anymore...”

Lin Yin’s heart sank, and his voice turned cold as he said, “I know.”

“A Yin, if it weren’t for her, we might already have a child by now,” Bai Qingyu said. Her face was stained with tears as she asked, carrying a wisp of hope in her heart, “Could it be, could it be that you really fell in love with her?”

‘Shouldn’t he hate Xu Youyou? How could he fall in love with her? How could he!’

Lin Yin did not answer the question. Instead, he said, “Qingyu, people change. Over the years, I’ve changed, and so have you...”

Bai Qingyu took a step back as though she had been struck. Her slender body trembled like a stalk of rose in the middle of a storm that looked as though it was going to fall at any time.

Guilt surged in Lin Yin’s heart when he saw Bai Qingyu like that. However, he did not console her in the end. He turned around and left in large strides. He was in a hurry to chase after Xu Youyou.

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Just as Xu Youyou walked out of the exhibition center, she heard Lin Yin calling out to her.

“Youyou! Xu Youyou!”

Xu Youyou paused in her steps and turned around to see Lin Yin rushing over. She looked at him suspiciously as she thought to herself, ‘Why is he looking for me instead of Bai Qingyu?’

Lin Yin stood in front of her and smiled warmly. His attitude was completely different from when he was facing Bai Qingyu. He asked, "Why did you walk so fast? Why didn't you wait for me?"

Xu Youyou furrowed her brows slightly. "Why should I wait for you?"

The smile on Lin Yin's face froze for a moment. He quickly recovered and asked, "Did you know our company is the sponsor for the competition?"

Xu Youyou shook her head. 'Why would I know something like that?'

Lin Yin sighed helplessly. "Then do you know why I'm here today?"

Xu Youyou shook her head again. "Isn't it because you're the sponsor?"

"Although I'm the sponsor, I don't have to be here. I came here especially to see you," Lin Yin said.

"See me?" Xu Youyou frowned. "What's there to see?"

Lin Yin was rendered speechless by her words. He took a few deep breaths before he said, "Youyou, although we've separated, we can still be friends, right? It doesn't have to be like this, right?"

Xu Youyou nodded. "Indeed."

Lin Yin had just heaved a sigh of relief when Xu Youyou continued to say bluntly, "But I don't want to be friends with you."

"..."

"Why?" Lin Yin's expression turned gloomy. He thought about Mo Shenbai and asked, "Is it because that man doesn't allow it?"

Xu Youyou shook her head. "It has nothing to do with him. I don't want to be friends with you because I don't like your mother. She doesn't like me and has always been sarcastic to me. I don't like your sister either. She's arrogant and unreasonable. Most importantly, she's always trying to cause trouble for me. Oh, I don't like your father as well. He's a cheater."

Lin Yin: "..."

Lin Yin felt as though he had been stabbed several times in a row. Finally, after regaining his composure, he asked, "What about me? You, you really don't like me anymore?"

Lin Yin still could not believe it. After leaving the wedding, he was only abroad for a short while. However, when he returned, she no longer loved him and had even married another man.

"Lin Yin, I'm very sorry that you and Miss Bai separated because of me. Hence, I no longer hold any grudges against you for leaving during our wedding. I've done my best for you when I told Grandma I wanted to cancel our wedding."

"Youyou, you've misunderstood. I didn't intend to abandon you. It's just that Qingyu..."

Xu Youyou did not allow him to finish speaking. She said, "It's good that you left that day. Otherwise, I wouldn't have known that you're very different from the person in my memory," Xu Youyou said.

“What?” Lin Yin did not understand Xu Youyou’s words.

Xu Youyou did not explain. Her smile was dazzling and sincere as she said, “Now that Miss Bai is back, based on her actions, it seems like she still has feelings for you. You can start over. I wish both of you the best.”

Xu Youyou’s honest words were like a knife that stabbed repeatedly at Lin Yin’s heart.

Lin Yin’s expression was stiff, and his hands were tightly clenched. Listening to her wishing him and another woman well made his internal organ ache. He inhaled deeply and said, “Youyou, it’s impossible for me and Qingyu to be together because I’m truly in love with...”

Lin Yin was interrupted again before he could finish his words.

“Youyou...”

Upon hearing this voice, Xu Youyou’s eyes lit up. She turned around and saw Mo Shenbai walking toward her. She quickly rushed toward him and asked, “Why are you here?”

She could barely hide her joy at seeing Mo Shenbai at all.

Mo Shenbai wrapped his arm around her shoulder. He lowered his head to look at her affectionately as he said, “The meeting ended early. Didn’t I promise to take you to Sky Garden?”

Xu Youyou, who had been painting for five hours, was famished. She hugged his arm and said impatiently, “Then, hurry up. I’m really hungry...”

As soon as Mo Shenbai appeared, it was as though Xu Youyou could no longer see anyone else in her world. All she could see was Mo Shenbai.

Mo Shenbai smiled slightly and said, “Okay.”

Mo Shenbai hugged Xu Youyou’s shoulder and led her to the car that was parked by the roadside. Out of the corners of his eyes, he saw Lin Yin standing nearby. His eyes glinted coldly.

Lin Yin stood rooted to the spot, frozen. Although the sun was blazing, he felt cold. He felt chills permeating his body, and he could not help but tremble.

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After getting into the car, Mo Shenbai embraced Xu Youyou and began to kiss her.

Xu Youyou said shyly, “There’s someone, someone...”

Cang Ming tactfully raised the dark partition glass again.

Xu Youyou: “...”

Mo Shenbai continued to kiss her for a moment before he said in his sexy hoarse voice, “You’ve worked hard. This is a reward before our meal.”

Xu Youyou’s eyes were moist as she complained softly, “You’re just... just taking advantage of me...”

Mo Shenbai kissed her again.

Xu Youyou was so shy that she shut her eyes tightly as he kissed her.

On the other hand, despite his passionate and hot kisses, Mo Shenbai's eyes were cold and provocative as he looked out the car window that had not been rolled up.

From Lin Yin's perspective, he could clearly see Mo Shenbai and Xu Youyou kissing.

Xu Youyou did not push Mo Shenbai away and even took the initiative to wrap her arms around his neck as she responded shyly and enthusiastically.