

## As Agreed 16

### Chapter 16

When Shu Pan woke up, it was already 1 PM. There was no one beside her, and Gu Shaoting was nowhere to be found.

If it weren't for the soreness in her body and the scattered clothes on the floor, Shu Pan would have thought that it was just a nightmare she had fabricated.

Dragging her body, she freshened up, changed clothes, and prepared to go to the hospital in the afternoon to visit her father. She also had to deal with the mess at her father's company.

Shu Pan checked the time and was about to leave when her phone, which was in her bag, started ringing. It was Ye Xiaomeng.

She picked up the phone and answered it.

"Hey, what are you up to? Are you okay? Did you see the entertainment news?" Ye Xiaomeng spoke cautiously.

"I'm fine. I'm just planning to go to the hospital to see my father. Don't pay attention to those uninformative news articles. Focus on your prenatal education," Shu Pan pretended to speak nonchalantly.

"If Uncle Shu is in the hospital, let me know if there's anything I can do to help. Don't hesitate to ask," Ye Xiaomeng comforted her. In fact, she had been infuriated after seeing the newspaper in the morning. If it weren't for Cheng Yang persuading her that it was a matter between a husband and wife, she would have rushed to confront Gu Shaoting.

In truth, Ye Xiaomeng had never been particularly fond of Gu Shaoting. It was mainly because of how he treated Shu Pan, always distant and not particularly affectionate. Even as Shu Pan's best friend, Ye Xiaomeng had her complaints. However, seeing how much Shu Pan cared about her marriage, she knew that Shu Pan liked Gu Shaoting. Otherwise, with her personality, she wouldn't have impulsively gotten married.

However, after seeing the news this morning, she couldn't help but feel resentful. If a man truly loved his family and respected his wife, would he still be entangled with his ex-girlfriend and spend the night with her? But apart from being frustrated, there was nothing she could do.

Suddenly, Ye Xiaomeng remembered another matter.

"Hey, I heard from Cheng Yang yesterday, it seems... um..." Ye Xiaomeng's usual carefree and lively tone suddenly changed, and she hesitated as she spoke.

"Um?" Shu Pan responded, sensing something off about Ye Xiaomeng today and asked, "What did Cheng Yang say?"

Ye Xiaomeng seemed to be contemplating and finally, with determination, she quickly said, "Cheng Yang said that Su Yuan has returned."

Her words were spoken so fast that Shu Pan almost couldn't catch them, but she understood in the end.

Shu Pan fell silent, her grip on the phone unintentionally tightening, a gesture she didn't even notice herself.

"Hey? Are you okay?" Ye Xiaomeng couldn't hear Shu Pan's response and couldn't help but worry. Maybe she shouldn't have told her. Now she regretted it. She knew how deeply that man had hurt her. It was her own fault for being impulsive and not being able to keep things to herself.

"I'm fine. I've been busy lately," Shu Pan pretended to have a relaxed tone. "It's all in the past now. Everyone has their own lives. How is he?"

"I won't bother with someone who is so selfish, forgetful, and vain. That's just an insult to my character," Ye Xiaomeng said indignantly.

Shu Pan smiled bitterly. The world was small. After Su Yuan graduated, he went abroad to study, and they were in different countries, so they hadn't seen each other for six years. But now that he had

returned to Bin City and could run into Cheng Yang, he would probably run into her as well. She was mentally prepared, but even if they did meet, it didn't matter anymore. She was already married, and she had let go of the past.

Looking at the gray sky outside, Shu Pan sighed and said, "Alright, don't worry. It's getting late. I'll go to the hospital first and take over for Auntie. We can meet up when we have time."

After hanging up the phone, Shu Pan left.