

## At School 1241

### Chapter 1241 Don't Worry at All

"Oh!"

When he heard that he would have to suffer, Wang Zichen couldn't help but answer resentfully. He muttered, "I was just asking."

"My brother can't take hardship," Wang Zimeng exposed him without saving face.

Even without her saying it, others knew that Wang Zichen had never had to worry about food or clothing since he was young. The Wang family doted on him, so he had never suffered.

"It's not entirely a matter of whether or not he can suffer hardship." Jian Ai looked at Wang Zichen and said, "You're going to university soon. If you get into a university in another city, you won't be able to learn martial arts."

"I didn't say that I wanted to learn," Wang Zichen emphasized again.

Jian Ai chuckled, but she could tell that Wang Zichen was stubborn.

He must have seen how powerful Qi Wei or her was and wanted to learn martial arts. However, he was afraid of suffering and did not want to hurt his self-esteem, so he kept emphasizing that he did not want to learn.

It was so awkward. If he wanted to learn, he could say so. Why wouldn't he dare to admit it?

Not caring about Wang Zichen anymore, Jian Ai and Wang Zimeng walked to the side and talked.

Wang Yunmei, Wang Yunzhi, and Jiang Chunfen were busy making dumplings in the kitchen. Because it was the birthday party tonight, everyone was here at noon today. Therefore, they thought it was faster to make dumplings. It would take too much time to cook dishes.

Wang Yunmei made the filling while Wang Yunzhi and Jiang Chunfen made the dough. Wu Shaoqi didn't idle either. He sat in a kitchen corner and peeled garlic. Everyone was busy chatting.

"Sister-in-law, I heard from Zhi that Zichen already saw Vice President Qiao?" Wang Yunmei looked up at Jiang Chunfen and asked.

Jiang Chunfen had a smile on her face as she nodded and answered, "Oh, he saw Qiao Yuan the first night he came over to my house. I didn't know."

"Ah?" Wang Yunmei was slightly surprised. "This child went to see him behind your back? How did he know that there was such a person as Vice President Qiao?"

Jiang Chunfen thought for a moment and smiled. "That day, Zichen just moved over from your brother's place. He said that he would take Zimeng out to play tonight. I thought it had been a long time since the siblings went out to play, so I didn't stop them."

"In the end, they didn't come back for the entire night. Qiao Yuan sent them back the next day. I think Zimeng couldn't control her mouth and told her brother. Then, the two of them went to Qiao Yuan's place to play."

“That’s a good relationship. It saves you the trouble of opening your mouth.” Wang Yunmei smiled. “You were still conflicted about this before.”

“That’s right. Perhaps I’m overthinking...” Jiang Chunfen couldn’t help but stop what she was doing and sigh. “I’m especially afraid that Zichen won’t be able to accept it with his personality. He moved out of your brother’s place because he couldn’t get along with that woman, so he moved to mine.”

“That day, Qiao Yuan said that he was at his place. It shocked me.”

“But it’s strange. Qiao Yuan can handle anything. Now, Zichen has to go to Qiao Yuan’s place to play every few days. Otherwise, he’ll chase after me and ask when Uncle Qiao will come to our house to play. They’re so close!”

When everyone heard this, they couldn’t help but laugh. Wang Yunzhi said, “Vice President Qiao is a capable person. Zichen is a child, after all. Vice President Qiao must have found the right method.”

Wang Yunmei nodded as well. “That’s good. You don’t have to worry at all. The two of them can communicate in private.”

“It’s none of my business. I think Zichen is even closer to Qiao Yuan than to me now,” Jiang Chunfen said with a helpless smile.

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City Center Hospital, Gynecology and Obstetrics Department.

Wang Yunzhong and the old lady sat on a bench in the corridor, protecting Xu Qianqian in the middle.

People went back and forth in the hospital, making them dizzy.

The benches were filled with people, and there was a long queue. Two or three people had to follow a pregnant woman. It was the weekend, and there were especially many people who had a prenatal examination.

Wang Yunzhong was wearing a suit and holding a briefcase. From time to time, he would look down at his watch, looking anxious.

“What’s wrong, Hubby? Is something the matter with the company?” Xu Qianqian felt Wang Yunzhong’s abnormality and couldn’t help but ask curiously.

Wang Yunzhong quickly shook his head. “I’m fine. It’s fine.”

He had promised Xu Qianqian to accompany her to the prenatal examination today. In the morning, he specially said that the company was fine, so there was naturally no chance to go back on his word.

However, Wang Yunzhong didn’t expect there to be so many people for the prenatal examination today. They were considered early. They had been queuing for three hours, but they weren’t seen yet.

He had something on his mind. It was Wang Yunmei’s birthday today, and he needed to transfer the gifts he had bought. He still needed to get them!

“I see you’ve been looking at the time. You seem very impatient,” Xu Qianqian said.

“No, I just waited for too long. I feel suffocated.” Wang Yunzhong hid it and stood up. “I’ll go to the corridor to smoke.”

Xu Qianqian didn’t think too much about it and nodded gently. Just as Wang Yunzhong was about to leave, a voice suddenly came from the nurse’s desk. “Next, Xu Qianqian!”

Finally, Xu Qianqian’s name was called. Wang Yunzhong paused and quickly helped Xu Qianqian up. “It’s our turn!”

“Alright, don’t follow me. My stomach isn’t big yet. I’ll go in myself. Wait outside with Mom. Follow me when we look at the photos later,” Xu Qianqian said.

Wang Yunzhong nodded repeatedly. The old lady, who had planned to follow them in, said, “Be careful, Qianqian.”

When Xu Qianqian entered the prenatal examination room, the old lady couldn’t help but slap Wang Yunzhong with her fist, scaring him. “What are you doing, Mom?!”

“Look at how distracted you are. Qianqian looked at you a few times. What’s the matter?” The old lady was Wang Yunzhong’s mother, after all. His performance over the past few hours naturally couldn’t escape the old lady’s eyes.

“What can happen? I’m just a little annoyed from waiting!” Wang Yunzhong explained casually.

“Even if you’re upset, you can’t show it. This is the first time Qianqian asked you to accompany her for a prenatal examination, but you’re already upset. What about in the future? You have to come for this prenatal examination every month. Don’t make her angry!” the old lady reprimanded.

“Also, about Yunfa, didn’t you give fifty thousand yuan to the other party?” The old lady suddenly changed the topic.

Wang Yunzhong was stunned and nodded. “What’s wrong? Qianqian asked you?”

“She didn’t ask directly!” The old lady said, “But she was trying to get information from me. She wanted to know if you were paying.”

As soon as she finished speaking, the old lady looked at Wang Yunzhong seriously and instructed, “I’m going to say this. I told her that your father and I paid for this money. Don’t expose me!”

“How would I dare? Qianqian already warned me. She told me clearly that I could help, but I can’t fork out money. I already promised her!” Wang Yunzhong said, “So you’re right to say that. Otherwise, she’ll cause trouble for me again!”

“That’s good. I was afraid that you would expose me again!” the old lady muttered.

Chapter 1242 Is It a Boy or a Girl?

The two of them muttered like spies. After exhorting each other about this matter, the old lady heaved a sigh of relief.

At this moment, Wang Yunzhong said, “Mom, but I have to make things clear. If this matter with Yunfa gets resolved, ask him to return the fifty thousand yuan to me.”

“I can help him clean up the mess he caused, but I can’t add money to it!”

Wang Yunzhong spoke seriously. Fifty thousand yuan was not a small sum. Although it was not a lot of money to him, it depended on what he did with it. Initially, he didn’t want to interfere in Wang Yunfa’s matter. If the two elders hadn’t begged him, he wouldn’t have given face and money.

Therefore, Wang Yunfa had to return any money spent on resolving this matter to him.

The old lady naturally knew what Wang Yunzhong meant. She immediately nodded and agreed. “Don’t worry, Yunzhong. Mom promises you this. If Yunfa can come out safely, I’ll ask him to return the money to you.”

“If he dares to be shameless, Mom won’t let him off.”

Hearing the old lady’s words, Wang Yunzhong nodded gently. “Don’t think that I’m making things difficult for him. He’s already an adult, but he’s still rash and doesn’t care about the consequences. Let him know he has to pay the price for doing something wrong and learn to take responsibility. You’ve spoiled Yunfa. He thinks someone will take responsibility for him even if he causes an enormous mess, which is why he’s so lawless!”

“Oh, stop criticizing me.” When the old lady heard the topic was about her, she blurted, “Mom knows you’re angry, but he’s your brother, after all. No matter what, can you ignore him?”

Wang Yunzhong sighed and said, “I’m taking care of it now, right?!”

“Isn’t that so?” The old lady said, “I have to interfere both ways, so say less. There are some things that Mom knows even if you don’t say them. There’s no need to say them to my face. I’m already so old!”

The old lady’s voice became softer. Wang Yunzhong’s words probably made her feel a little embarrassed.

The old lady knew better than anyone that she had spoiled Wang Yunfa, so she also knew that she couldn’t escape the responsibility of Wang Yunfa becoming like this. Now that Wang Yunzhong had pried her apart, she felt embarrassed.

After all, she was his mother. His usual domineering personality suddenly softened, and Wang Yunzhong didn’t dare to say anything else. In the end, he only nodded and sighed. “Alright, I won’t say anything else. Anyway, it’s good that you understand in your heart. If Yunfa doesn’t change, something will happen in the future. After Li Xia gives birth to a child, both mother and son will suffer! That’s your grandson. Even if it’s for the grandchild, you can’t spoil Yunfa like before!”

“Yes, yes. Mom knows!” The old lady nodded repeatedly.

Not long after, Xu Qianqian came out of the consultation room with a list in her hand. Wang Yunzhong and the old lady quickly went forward to welcome her. The old lady asked, “How was it, Qianqian? What did the doctor say?”

“The doctor said I’ve been recuperating well in the first three months. The child should be fine. He asked us to take an ultrasound and see the fetus in my stomach,” Xu Qianqian said.

When he heard it was not over, Wang Yunzhong's expression turned slightly stiff. It was almost noon. He initially wanted to go early, but he could only go in the afternoon.

They went to another prenatal examination room. Xu Qianqian was lying on the bed, and then the doctor attached an instrument to her stomach. Soon, an image of her stomach appeared on the screen in the prenatal examination room.

They could vaguely see the shape of a fetus. Although it was not obvious, they could already see its human form.

Xu Qianqian looked at the gray figure with a motherly and loving smile on her face. Wang Yunzhong was slightly touched. Over ten years ago, when Jiang Chunfen was pregnant, the hospital did not have this technology. Now that she was three months pregnant, they could see the image of the fetus in advance.

He was in his forties, and he was a father again. Wang Yunzhong felt a little emotional.

The old lady at the side stared at it for a long time, but she still couldn't understand. In the end, she blurted out to the doctor, "Doctor, is this a boy or a girl?"

As soon as these words were spoken, Wang Yunzhong's expression instantly changed.

Back then, the old lady secretly asked him to look for his old classmate in the hospital to see the fetus' gender, but he rejected her. This was because the hospital had a rule that they could not test for the fetus' gender. This was illegal.

Unexpectedly, the old lady asked the doctor such a question.

Not only Wang Yunzhong, but Xu Qianqian's expression was also very ugly. She knew that the Wang family favored boys over girls, but there was no need to impatiently investigate if her child was a boy or a girl at three months.

As a mother, she naturally loved both boys and girls equally. How could she stand others talking about the gender of the fetus?!

Even the doctor looked up and glanced at the old lady. His originally passionate attitude instantly turned cold as he explained softly, "I'm sorry, we can't tell you this because the law stipulates it. The hospital doesn't allow it either."

The old lady was not stupid. She regretted it the moment she asked. She just blurted it out in a moment of heat.

Seeing that the atmosphere was not right, she quickly nodded and smiled bitterly. "I was just asking."

After the prenatal examination, it was almost one in the afternoon. When they came out of the hospital, the old lady could tell that Xu Qianqian was unhappy. She couldn't help but go forward and say, "Qianqian, you've been working hard all morning. What do you want to eat for lunch? Mom will cook for you!"

After Wang Yunfa entered the police station, the vegetable stall was temporarily closed, so she had been taking care of Xu Qianqian at home for the past few days.

"I want to eat steak," Xu Qianqian said and looked at Wang Yunzhong. "Husband, let's go to Wang Pin and have steak!"

Wang Yunzhong initially wanted to slip away after the prenatal examination, but he didn't expect Xu Qianqian to want him to accompany her to eat steak again.

Before he could think of an excuse, the old lady spoke first. "Alright, let's go eat steak."

"Yunzhong, go get the car. Qianqian and I will wait for you by the road outside," the old lady instructed Wang Yunzhong.

Wang Yunzhong sighed in his heart, but he couldn't think of any other reason to leave. He thought that since it was already afternoon, so be it. As long as he didn't miss the birthday party tonight.

Wang Yunzhong nodded and turned around to pick up the car.

The old lady helped Xu Qianqian to the road outside the hospital. Wang Yunzhong was no longer around. Xu Qianqian hesitated for a moment before saying to the old lady, "Mom, I know you and Dad are looking forward to me giving birth to a grandson. Yunzhong also wants a boy."

Xu Qianqian's words stunned the old lady. When she heard this, she quickly said, "Qianqian, don't think too much. I didn't mean it just now. I was just asking casually!"

Chapter 1243 I Will Give Birth To A Boy For The Wang Family

"Mom, you don't have to be secretive. It's nothing. I understand." Xu Qianqian pulled herself out of her unhappiness just now and spoke exceptionally rationally.

"Yunzhong and I have been together for a long time. I know the situation at home very well, including your and Dad's personalities. Yunzhong mentioned to me that you like boys but not girls." Xu Qianqian gently patted the old lady's hand that was holding her arm and sighed. "I have special feelings about this because my parents also favor my younger brother."

When the old lady heard this, she couldn't help but look up at Xu Qianqian. Then, she nodded and said in a deep voice, "Qianqian, since you've spoken, Mom will say some heartfelt words to you."

"Your father and I are indeed looking forward to a grandson, but we have no choice. Zichen is the only grandson in the family now. Your father is more old-fashioned and believes in the same old style. If there are fewer men in the family, he won't be able to raise his head."

"When your father and I were married, everyone was poor, but every family worked hard to give birth. It was a competition between which family gave birth to more boys!"

"Back then, when I gave birth to Yunzhong, he weighed seven pounds. At that time, the conditions were tough. When I gave birth to him, I was only a hundred pounds. He was a real fat boy!"

"In the end, after giving birth to Xiao Mei and Zhi, there were two girls in a row. My old lady gave me attitude every day and said that I used all my strength to give birth to a boy, Yunzhong, alone. That's why he was seven pounds when he was born and I couldn't give birth to a boy anymore!"

“How can just one boy do? I continued to give birth. Fortunately, the fourth child is finally a boy, Yunfa. However, Yunfa’s fetal position was not right, and his head was big. It was difficult for me to give birth to him. I almost died in the delivery room.”

“Although I survived, my vitality was injured. I couldn’t give birth anymore.”

At this point, the old lady seemed to have recalled a very old past. Her eyes were a little dazed. After a long time, she sighed and continued, “At that time, the two boys in the family were far from enough, but I couldn’t give birth anymore, so before Yunzhong’s grandparents left, they were still talking about the lack of boys. These thoughts passed from Yunzhong’s grandparents to your father, so your father had an obsession with giving birth to a boy. Now that Zichen is the only grandson in the family, he’s naturally anxious!”

As soon as she finished speaking, the old lady looked at Xu Qianqian and said seriously, “That’s why I say, don’t take Mom and Dad’s anticipation for a grandson to heart. Take good care of the baby. If fate allows, it’s naturally a boy. Even if it’s a girl, she’s still the granddaughter of the Wang family.”

The old lady knew better than anyone how untrue her words were. However, pregnant women were the most important now. She naturally had to say it nicely, but she did not want a granddaughter at all!

Xu Qianqian naturally understood this. She would not believe that the old lady could treat her granddaughter like a grandson just because of her sincere words.

However, Xu Qianqian understood even more that in the current environment of the Wang family, since she had married into the family, if she wanted to gain a stable footing, she had to rely on her son!

The entire Wang family was still good to her because she was pregnant. However, if she could not give birth to a son, such a good life would not be long.

Therefore, Xu Qianqian immediately promised, “Mom, don’t worry. I know our Wang family wants another grandson, especially one Yunzhong gives birth to. I’m still young. If I can’t give birth to a son now, I’ll give birth to another child. I’ll keep giving birth until it’s a grandson for the Wang family.”

“Maybe I’m lucky. I might give birth to two grandsons at once!”

When the old lady heard this, her eyes instantly lit up. She did not expect Xu Qianqian to blurt such words.

It had to be known that no one will give birth to a child for their husband’s family these days. It was as if they had lost half their lives to give birth to one.

“That’s good.” The old lady smiled until her eyes couldn’t be seen. Putting aside whether Xu Qianqian was telling the truth, her words made people feel at ease.

The corners of Xu Qianqian’s mouth also twitched, but she didn’t smile sincerely. Just as the old lady thought, she was like most young women and didn’t want to keep giving birth.

She was not a machine for giving birth. If she kept giving birth to children to give birth to a boy, wouldn’t her stomach be filled with stretch marks?

However, only this superficial promise could allow her to continue living such a stable life. She was also praying for herself in her heart, praying that this first child would be a boy.

Only then could she become the true mistress of the Wang family and control everyone in the Wang family!

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There were many people at noon. Wang Yunmei and the rest made dumplings together for a long time before they were done. Fortunately, the dumplings were ready once they were cooked. They could eat them soon.

Unexpectedly, as soon as the dumplings were out of the pot, the doorbell rang again.

“Who is it? Is Brother here?” Wang Yunzhi was stunned. She looked up at Wang Yunmei and asked.

When Wang Yunmei heard this, she said, “He can’t be so early, right? I told him it was dinner.”

While the people in the kitchen were puzzled, Wu Bi, who was chatting with Jian Yu in the living room, stood up and opened the door.

As soon as the door opened, Ji Haoyu, who was wearing a black woolen coat, stood outside.

The two of them looked at each other for a moment. Wu Bi was the first to react. He looked at Ji Haoyu in surprise and whispered, “Boss? You...”

Ji Haoyu had an evil smile on his face as he greeted Wu Bi. “You’re here too!”

As he spoke, Ji Haoyu ignored the stiff expression on Wu Bi’s face and squeezed into the house through the crack in the door.

“Haoyu!”

Wang Yunmei wiped her hands and came out of the kitchen. Coincidentally, she saw Ji Haoyu enter and couldn’t help but call out happily.

The smile on Ji Haoyu’s face instantly changed from evil to obedient. He said warmly and kindly to Wang Yunmei, “Happy birthday, Auntie!”

“You came at the right time. The dumplings just came out of the pot!” Wang Yunmei warmly let Ji Haoyu into the house. Wu Bi, who was behind her, had a look of surprise on his face. Boss was...

“Auntie, I brought two bottles of good red wine for you.” Ji Haoyu handed over the beautifully packaged red wine in his hand.

Seeing this, Wang Yunmei couldn’t help but glare at Ji Haoyu. She seemed to blame him, but she was actually happy. “I already said that I wouldn’t let you bring gifts. Look at you...”

“What kind of gift is this?!” Ji Haoyu quickly said, “This is the wine saved at home. It’s also a gift from someone. Of course, it has to be accompanied by good wine on such an important day. It’s not considered a gift.”

Ji Haoyu was used to being glib-tongued in front of Wang Yunmei, and he coaxed her until she was stunned. She smiled and nodded. "Alright, Auntie will accept it. Let's drink together at noon."

As soon as she finished speaking, Wang Yunmei shouted in Yao Jiachi's bedroom, "Xiao Ai, Haoyu is here!"

Chapter 1244 Are You a Beast?

Jian Ai was chatting with Wang Zimeng when she heard Wang Yunmei's voice. She couldn't help but be stunned.

She seemed to have heard 'Haoyu is here!'

Wang Zimeng also said, "Sister, Aunt seems to be calling you!"

Jian Ai stood up and left the room. When she looked up, she saw Ji Haoyu standing in the living room, smiling at her.

Jian Ai stopped in her tracks. Before she could react, Ji Haoyu had already walked towards her.

"What's wrong? Are you so happy to see me that you're dumbfounded?" Ji Haoyu smiled at Jian Ai.

Jian Ai sized him up and drawled, "Why are you here?"

When Ji Haoyu heard this, he raised his eyebrows smugly. "Of course Auntie invited me. Moreover, what's wrong with you? Why didn't you tell me about Auntie's birthday?"

Jian Ai immediately revealed a puzzled expression. It was her mother's birthday. Why did she have to tell him?

Jian Ai sneered and glanced at Ji Haoyu's hand. "But you're not here to celebrate her birthday! You came empty-handed?"

"Auntie said that I can't bring gifts. She said that this is a family rule." Ji Haoyu leaned down slightly and put his face only a few millimeters away from Jian Ai's face. He lowered his voice and said, "Look, Auntie already treats me as family."

As soon as he finished speaking, Ji Haoyu immediately stood up and raised his chin at the living room table. "Besides, I brought wine. I'm not empty-handed."

Jian Ai: "..."

She realized that her mother had already bypassed her to have private contact with Ji Haoyu. Ever since she went to Italy last time, Ji Haoyu had completely entered their house freely and came to freeload from time to time.

This time, even on her mother's birthday, Ji Haoyu received an invitation!

What did he drug her mother with?

"Tsk!" Seeing Jian Ai's unhappy expression, Ji Haoyu could not help but click his tongue. He went forward and hug her shoulder. "Why do you have such an expression? Isn't our relationship very

peaceful now? Moreover, I think that our relationship is already above that of friends but below that of lovers. What do you think?"

"What do I think, my ass!" Jian Ai rolled her eyes mercilessly and slapped Ji Haoyu's hand off her shoulder. She no longer cared about her mother's private invitation to him and walked straight to the sofa in the living room. As she did so, she said to Ji Haoyu, "Let's sit down and talk. I have serious business to tell you!"

Ji Haoyu smiled and casually took off his woolen coat. Just as he was about to walk over and sit, Wu Bi pulled him to a corner.

"What's wrong?" Ji Haoyu blinked his beautiful peach blossom eyes and looked at Wu Bi with a puzzled expression.

Wu Bi frowned and whispered to Ji Haoyu, "Boss, what's going on?"

"What do you mean?" Ji Haoyu looked at Wu Bi innocently and said, "We know each other. You know!"

At the Langxing Gala, a few people bumped into each other. Wu Bi knew that Ji Haoyu and Jian Ai knew each other.

"I know you know each other, but I didn't know you were so familiar with each other,," Wu Bi said.

Wu Bi was a member of the 'Blaze' organization, and Ji Haoyu was the leader of the organization. The two of them had known each other for many years and knew each other very well.

With Wu Bi's understanding of Ji Haoyu, it was almost impossible for him to appear at Jian Ai's house like this. Were the two of them already so familiar with each other? Even Auntie Mei was so passionate about him!

Wu Bi felt a little uneasy because be it Ji Haoyu or the extent of the entire matter, he felt that it revealed a 'conspiracy'!

At this moment, Ji Haoyu said without hiding it, "I like Xiao Ai!"

Wu Bi: "..."

What?

"What did you say?" Wu Bi's eyes widened, and his mind instantly shut down!

"I said I like Xiao Ai,," Ji Haoyu repeated softly. Although he said it with a smile, there was no trace of a joke in his tone. Instead, it was filled with seriousness!

Wu Bi knew Ji Haoyu. He knew best how precious the word 'like' was to Ji Haoyu. All these years, he had never heard Ji Haoyu say that he liked someone!

He liked Xiao Ai?

How was that possible?! Xiao Ai was only fifteen years old!

"Boss, you said you like..." Wu Bi asked again, worried.

Ji Haoyu nodded without hesitation. "The kind of like you think it is. The romantic kind between a boy and a girl!"

"No!" Wu Bi broke down and growled. He looked at Ji Haoyu as if he had seen a ghost and said, "Boss, wake up. She's my sister. She's not an adult yet. Are you a beast?"

"She'll become an adult,, eventually. I'll wait for her to grow up!" Ji Haoyu raised his eyebrows and had no intention of retreating.

It was also because of this that Wu Bi was even more certain that Ji Haoyu was not joking!

"Does she know?" At this moment, Wu Bi felt his heart tremble with every word he said. He couldn't help but feel nervous.

Ji Haoyu shrugged slightly with a smile in his eyes. "She knows. She's so smart, so s, so she'll be able to tell!"

Although he had once said that he wanted to pursue her and she didn't seem to believe him, his liking for her was so obvious that he didn't believe that Jian Ai wouldn't feel it.

Wu Bi immediately took a deep breath. This was too big a piece of information, so much so that even he, who had always been calm, was almost defeated by this truth.

He wanted to ask the boss if he was serious, but he already had an answer in his heart.

Feeling Wu Bi's anxiety, Ji Haoyu raised his hand and hugged his neck. He smiled and said, "Don't worry, I won't bully her."

Wu Bi looked at Ji Haoyu. In the end, he could only nod gently.

On the sofa in the living room, Ji Haoyu and Wu Bi walked over and sat down. Jian Ai introduced, "Let me introduce you. This is my brother, Jian Yu."

Jian Ai spoke to Ji Haoyu first. Then, she looked at her brother and said, "Brother, Young Master Ji, Mom's boss!"

The words 'Mom's boss' immediately pulled Ji Haoyu's relationship with their family away. Jian Ai was doing this on purpose.

However, Ji Haoyu was thick-skinned. Ji Haoyu quickly stood up and shook Jian Yu's hand warmly. He said, "Xiao Ai and I are especially good friends and business partners. Auntie is also very close to me. I'm like her biological son. Brother, it's our first time meeting!"

Jian Yu shook Ji Haoyu's hand in a daze. How could anyone in the business world of Baiyun City not know Ji Haoyu's name? Jian Yu had also heard many stories about Ji Haoyu, but he never expected that on his mother's birthday, Ji Haoyu would appear in their family.

Moreover, this person's feeling differeddiffered completely from what he had heard!

Jian Ai immediately rolled her eyes and reminded him, "My brother is only nineteen years old!"

Ji Haoyu said naturally, "It's fine. I'll still call you Brother!"

## Chapter 1245 Trying to Reconcile in Private

Jian Ai opened her mouth speechlessly but swallowed her words.

Forget it. She had known him for more than a day or two. She knew better than anyone what Ji Haoyu was like when he was shameless.

“I’ve already registered the car agency. Someone will contact your company’s team next!” Jian Ai changed the topic and looked at Ji Haoyu. “You haven’t forgotten about this, right?”

“Of course not.” Ji Haoyu looked at Jian Ai and said softly, “This is the first time the two of us have collaborated in business. The Ji Group has long finished handling it. We’re just waiting for news from you.”

Jian Ai’s expression froze. She looked at Ji Haoyu and asked, “You were already prepared?”

Ji Haoyu nodded!

Jian Ai: “Why didn’t you remind me?”

She was so busy that she had completely forgotten about this matter. If not for Bai Zhou, she might not have remembered.

She initially thought that Ji Haoyu did not remind her because he had forgotten, but in the end, the Ji Group was already prepared?

“I have to remind you of this?” Ji Haoyu was also slightly shocked.

Jian Ai: “...”

Forget it. In the end, this was her fault. As partners, it was wrong of her to forget about the collaboration between the two sides. It also lost the standard of a corporation’s CEO.

Not in a position to be angry at Ji Haoyu, Jian Ai could only soften her tone. “Since the Ji Group is already prepared, my people will contact you as soon as possible. As for Ford’s side, we still need the Ji Group to recommend us!”

“Don’t worry, we’ve already communicated with Ford,” Ji Haoyu said directly.

Jian Ai: “...”

It was indeed the Ji Group. They were so efficient in everything!

At this moment, the dumplings were ready. Wang Yunmei quickly called for everyone to eat. Everyone stood up and helped.

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On Wang Yunzhong’s side, he had accompanied Xu Qianqian and the old lady for a steak meal. When they came out of the mall, it was already afternoon. Because it had long exceeded the time he had expected, Wang Yunzhong was not in a hurry.

“This steak is so expensive. It didn’t taste anything different from the beef I stew.” The old lady’s heart ached that a steak cost over a thousand yuan, and she couldn’t help but mutter.

“How is that the same? The ingredients here are all carefully selected. How can they be the same as the ones you bought at the market?!” Wang Yunzhong said.

“How is it different?” The old lady glared at him. “Isn’t it all meat from a cow?”

Wang Yunzhong sighed helplessly. He couldn’t be bothered to argue with the old lady, so he decided not to talk about it.

They lived in different classes. To the old lady, not to mention a few thousand yuan for a steak, but even if it was a few hundred yuan or tens of yuan, she would still think it was expensive, so he could not explain it.

“Mom, go home with Qianqian first. I have a social gathering tonight, so I won’t be going back with you,” Wang Yunzhong said.

“You’re not sending us back?” the old lady asked.

Wang Yunzhong: “I’m going back to the company.”

When the old lady heard this, she nodded and turned to Xu Qianqian. “Qianqian, let’s go back. You’re tired from the day. Go back and lie down to rest.”

Xu Qianqian said nothing and agreed softly.

At this moment, the old lady’s phone suddenly rang. She picked it up and looked at it. The old lady looked at Wang Yunzhong nervously. “Oh, Yunzhong, a call from the police station...”

At that time, the old lady left her number to the police officer, and he said that he would inform her after the results were out.

Now that a few days had passed, there should be results.

Seeing this, Wang Yunzhong took it and picked it up. “Hello.”

“I’m his elder brother. If you have anything, you can tell me directly.”

“Now?”

“Alright, no problem. We’ll be right there!”

Wang Yunzhong hung up after saying a few words into the phone. The old lady looked at him anxiously and immediately asked, “How was it, Yunzhong? What did the police say?”

Wang Yunzhong handed the phone to the old lady and said, “He asked us to go over and talk when we meet.”

“Then hurry up. Let’s go now,” the old lady urged.

Wang Yunzhong nodded and said to Xu Qianqian, “Qianqian, don’t go. This place isn’t far from home. Take a taxi back yourself!”

The most important thing now was naturally Wang Yunfa. The old lady was concerned, and the old man could not sleep well for a few days, so Wang Yunzhong wanted to settle this matter quickly.

Although Xu Qianqian was unwilling, she knew the severity of the matter. She said nothing and took a taxi.

When Wang Yunzhong and the old lady arrived at the Yangguan Road police station in Zhonglou District, the police officer in charge was already waiting there.

It was none other than one of the two police officers who took Wang Yunfa away from the games room. He was also surnamed Wang!

“Officer Wang!” The old lady recognized Officer Wang at a glance. She immediately rushed forward and asked impatiently, “How’s my son?”

“Auntie, don’t worry. Let’s go in and talk slowly.” Officer Wang comforted the old lady. Then he looked up and nodded at Wang Yunzhong. “Hello, Mr. Wang. I’m a police officer at the Yangguan Road Police Station. My surname is Wang. I’m also in charge of your brother’s case.”

“Hello, Officer Wang,” Wang Yunzhong greeted him politely.

After entering the police station and sitting down in the police office, Officer Wang poured a glass of water for the two of them and sat opposite them.

Wang Yunzhong immediately asked, “Officer Wang, is there a result? Will my brother go to jail?”

The old lady nodded nervously.

Officer Wang said with his usual expression, “It’s not as serious as we expected because when we reached the games room initially, the injured looked like he had died.”

“However, we’ve already investigated the hospital. Although the injured were injured, his life was not in danger, so the nature of the case changed.”

“Because if someone dies, they will be prosecuted. In other words, no matter how much compensation you give to the other party in terms of civil compensation, your brother will go to jail for the criminal responsibility of the prosecution. Fortunately, no one died, and the other party’s injuries are not serious, so if the two of you can reach a private reconciliation before the court files, your brother will be released safely!”

“We’re trying our best to communicate with the other party!” Wang Yunzhong quickly said.

The old lady nodded in agreement. “We went to see them and even gave them medical fees... We’re fighting for it.”

“That’s for the best!” Officer Wang nodded in understanding. “The criminal nature of this matter is at most to cause trouble and fight. As long as we get the other party’s understanding, the consequences won’t be serious.”

“What if the other party disagrees?” Wang Yunzhong subconsciously asked.

Officer Wang paused for a moment. “If the court starts the judicial process, according to the laws of China, your brother will be sentenced to more than a year but less than three years in jail for causing light injuries!”

Chapter 1246 Bad News!

“Ah? He has to be in jail for so long?”

When she heard he would be sentenced to over a year in prison, the old lady’s heart thumped, and it instantly turned cold.

Officer Wang nodded and explained softly, “If it’s just a simple crime of causing trouble or disturbing public order, depending on the situation, they might only receive a sentence of fifteen days to three months of administrative detention.”

“But your son’s case is suspected of intentionally hurting someone. According to the other party’s injury level, a sentence of over one year but less than three years is the minimum. This is because if you intentionally hurt someone to death or cripple them, the highest sentence will be the death penalty.”

“This...” The old lady was so shocked that she was speechless. After a while, she said weakly, “But they’re not seriously injured!”

“It’s not up to you or us to decide. It’s based on the injury assessment results.” Officer Wang continued to explain patiently, “The other party is indeed not in fatal danger. In terms of injuries alone, it’s only a low level of light injuries. However, a heavy blow to the head might cause a slight concussion. This situation is equivalent to permanent sequelae caused by the incident. It’s also an important basis to refer to during the sentencing.”

“However, we understand both sides know each other, and the cause of the incident was just a physical conflict caused by a momentary argument. Logically speaking, the police hope that the two of you can understand each other. As the guilty party, you will give the other party a certain amount of financial compensation to exempt Wang Yunfa from criminal responsibility. This result is more satisfactory.”

Officer Wang did not side with either party in this matter. His suggestion was more pertinent. After all, the consequences of the matter were not as serious as he had imagined, so he sincerely hoped that no one would go to jail because of this.

Reconciling in private was the correct and perfect solution.

Wang Yunzhong was relatively calm and rational. He immediately nodded at Officer Wang. “Officer Wang, we will do our best to seek the other party’s understanding on this matter. We also hope that you can help us persuade the victim and his family. We will give the other party a satisfactory number in terms of compensation, as long as they can give my brother a chance. You might not know this, but my brother just got married this year. His wife is already a few months pregnant. He really can’t go to jail at this time!”

When Officer Wang heard this, he nodded gently. “We already knew about this situation when Wang Yunfa gave his statement, so although the law doesn’t allow for mercy when we encounter such a situation, as police officers, we will inevitably feel sympathetic. Therefore, don’t worry. Based on this special situation in your family, we will increase the mediation and do our best to help you achieve reconciliation with the other party.”

“Oh, Officer Wang, thank you so much. Good things will happen to you...” When the old lady heard Officer Wang’s words, she immediately nodded excitedly and thanked him.

“Auntie, don’t worry too much. Based on my experience in handling cases over the years, the probability of reconciliation is quite high,” Officer Wang added.

Although the old lady was usually opinionated, she only used her ideas on trivial matters. Now that she had encountered such a thing, the police’s words naturally made her feel most at ease.

Therefore, the old lady felt much more at ease.

After leaving the police station, the old lady pulled Wang Yunzhong and said, “Yunzhong, why don’t we go to the hospital again now? Perhaps Wang Dapeng is already awake.”

“Mom, you don’t have to be in such a hurry. Didn’t we go there two days ago? Moreover, if the other party has thoughts of reconciling, they will contact us,” Wang Yunzhong said.

It was already very late, and he still had to get the gift he had bought for Wang Yunmei. If he didn’t go now, wouldn’t it be dark when he reached Wang Yunmei’s house?

Moreover, they know they could not resolve Wang Yunfa’s matter in a hurry. Wang Yunzhong knew that even if they went again today, there might not be any substantial progress.

If Wang Dapeng was not awake yet, the other party would only be even angrier when they saw them. It was undoubtedly adding fuel to the fire.

“But Mom is worried about Yunfa...” The old lady’s eyes turned red. If Wang Yunfa stayed inside for another day, she wouldn’t be able to feel completely at ease. She still had to worry about whether he would suffer in the detention center.

Wang Yunzhong said, “It’s useless to worry. Besides, it’s good to let him stay inside for a few more days. Let him reflect on himself. Otherwise, it’ll be too easy for him, and he won’t know how to restrain himself!”

This matter could be big or small. It was a small matter of the other party agreeing to a reconciliation. If they disagreed, Wang Yunfa would go to jail. There were only two options. No matter how anxious he was, there was no third option. Therefore, Wang Yunzhong knew it was useless to be anxious.

He immediately said to the old lady, “We’re almost at Zhonglou District. Take a taxi to Yunfa’s house to see Li Xia. I have something on in the afternoon, so I’ll take my leave first.”

Without waiting for the old lady to say anything, Wang Yunzhong got into the car and drove away.

The old lady stood outside the police station and watched her son’s car disappear with a reluctant expression.

Li Xia had long returned to her in-laws’ house. After Wang Yunfa entered, how would she dare to let a pregnant woman like her stay at home? The old lady sighed and walked towards the bus stop, planning to take the bus back to her home in Wanbao District.

At the same time, the Jian Group received bad news. Although Han Wenjing’s surgery at the Capital Hospital was successful, she did not survive the critical period. At six minutes past three in the afternoon today, she passed away!

This news caused a tremendous shock to the entire Jian Group. Almost everyone in the corporation felt regret and heartache at this news.

Although Han Wenjing was not tactful enough in the world and did not have many friends in the company, her ability was obvious to all. As a working professional, she was extraordinary to be one of the leaders of a real estate giant like the Jian Group.

The passing of such an elite made people sigh.

Jian Changsheng naturally knew this news at first moment. For a moment, he couldn't accept such bad news. His nerves, which he hadn't relaxed for a long time, finally broke at this moment. Overwhelming guilt and self-reproach swallowed him.

For the entire afternoon, he canceled his meetings with his business partner representatives and locked himself in his office, not letting anyone in. He did not come out either.

Lili looked at the office door worriedly from time to time. The CEO's wife had once asked her to pay attention to the CEO's abnormal movements. If anything happened, she had to inform the CEO's wife in time.

However, the CEO must be very sad now. Lili could not decide if she should tell the CEO's wife. She was also afraid that her decision would disturb the CEO because it looked like he wanted to be alone more.

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After hesitating for a moment, Lili still felt that since she had promised the CEO's wife, she had to do what she said. Moreover, the CEO's wife was not an outsider. The only person qualified to comfort the CEO was the CEO's wife.

Most importantly, she had received a gift from the CEO's wife. How could she not do her job?

With this thought in mind, Lili left her desk and went to the coffee room. When no one was around, she called Qiao Shuyi.

The call went through, and Qiao Shuyi's worried voice came from the other end. "Hello, who is this?"

Lili's heart thumped non-stop because she was nervous. She immediately said, "Hello, Madam. It's... It's Lili."

"Lili?" Qiao Shuyi hesitated for a moment before coming back to her senses. "Oh, hello. Is this Changsheng's secretary, Lili?"

"It's me, Madam," Lili said quickly.

However, before Lili could say anything, Qiao Shuyi spoke first. "Changsheng must be very sad now, right?"

Lili: "..."

Qiao Shuyi's sigh came from the receiver. "I just received the news and am feeling sad, too. Although I've only met Director Han once, I've often heard Changsheng mention her. He said she's a rare corporate elite, but I didn't expect such misfortune to fall on her. It's a pity."

“Madam, you...” Lili was speechless. She initially wanted to tell Madam that the CEO might not be in good condition and needed someone to comfort him.

However, Qiao Shuyi seemed to be very upset.

Lili couldn't help but think that the CEO's wife was gentle and kind. She would feel sad for someone she had only seen once.

To be honest, after knowing that Director Han had passed away, Lili showed little emotion. She was just shocked.

“Thank you, Lili. I know why you're calling.” Qiao Shuyi changed the topic and said, “I know Changsheng. With his huge emotions fluctuating, he needs time to relieve himself, so I'll leave it to him. However, please help me pay more attention. If he wants to drink, don't stop him. If he's drunk, call me. I'll pick him up, okay?”

Qiao Shuyi's voice was gentle as if it had magical power. Lili subconsciously nodded and agreed. “Alright, Madam!”

In the office, Jian Changsheng was in the boss's chair behind the desk. He lowered his head and stuffed his hands into his hair. Although no one could see his expression, it was not difficult to feel the immense grief around him.

The news came too suddenly – so sudden that he was not prepared at all. Yesterday, he was still asking his friends to find the best doctor overseas, but today, everything was irreversible.

Scenes of working with Han Wenjing surged into his mind. It surprised Jian Changsheng that he remembered so much. He had so many memories with Han Wenjing.

That was true. If he didn't have memories, why would he be so sad?

After a long time, Jian Changsheng slowly stood up and walked to the wine cabinet expressionlessly. He took out a bottle of brandy and poured a glass. He raised his head and drank it in one gulp.

A spicy pleasure brushed across his throat. Jian Changsheng frowned, but he poured a second glass and drank it again.

Besides the wine cabinet was a calendar for 2002. It was almost the end of the year. This year was undoubtedly an eventful year for the Jian Group. Unknown forces suppressed the company, and billions of yuan of market value disappeared overnight. Han Wenjing passed away in the last month of the year.

He was slightly stunned. It was the seventeenth of December.

Jian Changsheng stared at this number with a wineglass. In the end, he smiled bitterly. To think that he still remembered that today was Meizi's birthday.

But why did he have to think of it at this time? He couldn't even wholeheartedly wish Meizi a happy birthday.

When Wang Yunzhong received the gift and rushed to Wang Yunmei's house, it was already dark. As soon as he reached the door, he vaguely heard laughter coming from the house. It was obvious that everyone had arrived.

Jian Yu opened the door. When he saw Wang Yunzhong, Jian Yu smiled and called out, "Uncle is here."

Wang Yunzhong smiled and entered the house. Seeing this, Wang Yunmei and the rest stood up and came out to welcome him. He looked up and saw that everyone had arrived. There were also a few unfamiliar faces. Wang Yunzhong apologized. "Oh, Xiao Mei. Is Brother late?"

"No, no. What time is it? We haven't started cooking dinner yet!" Wang Yunmei smiled.

Wang Yunzhong explained, "I initially planned to come over at noon today, but I accompanied Qianqian to the prenatal examination in the morning. In the afternoon, I went to the police station because of Yunfa. After going back and forth, it delayed me until now..."

Wang Yunzhong's unintentional words stunned Wang Yunmei and Wang Yunzhi. Then, they asked in unison, "What happened to Yunfa?"

"Oh, I forgot that you didn't know about this." Wang Yunzhong was slightly stunned. He knew that he had let it slip. He initially didn't plan to say this because he felt that there was no need to let his two sisters know.

However, he was their brother after all. Now that he was in the police station, how could Wang Yunzhi and Wang Yunmei not care? Wang Yunzhi asked, "Brother, what's going on?"

Helpless, Wang Yunzhong could only tell them about Wang Yunfa.

Wang Yunmei and Wang Yunzhi looked at each other. In the end, Wang Yunmei spoke first, "He always needs people to worry about him. Dad and Mom took out five hundred thousand yuan from the demolition fee for him to start his business. He can even send himself to the police station. Can he be saved?"

Wang Yunzhi was also very disappointed. She immediately said, "He's already going to be a father. Did he think he was still a bachelor? He hasn't grown up. Mom spoiled him!"

Seeing this, Wang Yunzhong quickly said, "Xiao Mei, it's your birthday today. Don't mention this unlucky thing. Brother is too quick with his words. I didn't want you to know about this in the first place."

Not wanting to affect the atmosphere because of his arrival, Wang Yunzhong changed the topic and looked at Wu Shaoqi. "Eh? This is?"

Seeing this, Wang Yunmei couldn't help but glare at Wang Yunzhong. "Brother, don't you know Old Wu?"

Everyone in South City knew Old Wu. Most importantly, his tofu stall was too famous. However, Wang Yunzhong left South City after entering university, so he naturally did not have a deep impression of Old Wu.

Moreover, he did not like to eat tofu.

Without Wang Yunmei's further introduction, the two of them shook hands and got to know each other. Then, she introduced Wu Bi as Old Wu's son. In the end, she introduced Ji Haoyu!

Wang Yunmei kept her thoughts to herself and did not reveal Ji Haoyu's true identity. Instead, she said that he was Jian Ai's good friend.

Chapter 1248 Help To Block Me

In the end, Wang Yunzhong looked a little out of place with the others present. Although he was Wang Yunmei's biological brother, he looked more like an outsider.

However, it was Wang Yunmei's birthday today, so Jian Ai didn't give Wang Yunzhong a bad expression. Jiang Chunfen even took the initiative to greet him. On the surface, everyone was relatively harmonious.

As soon as he sat down, Wang Yunzhong couldn't wait to take out the gift he had prepared.

"Xiao Mei, this is Elder Brother's birthday gift to you. I don't know what you like, so I bought one casually. Look and see if it suits you." Wang Yunzhong smiled and handed the exquisite gift box to Wang Yunmei.

Seeing this, Wang Yunmei was slightly stunned. She immediately said, "Brother, I don't accept gifts for my birthday. Look, no one bought anything. Quickly take it back."

Wang Yunmei didn't reach out to take it. The main reason was that she didn't want to be involved too much in this matter with Wang Yunzhong. Inviting him to a meal was already her greatest concession. She knew he had an impure goal for her daughter, so she couldn't accept his gift.

Moreover, no one bought anything. It was unreasonable to only accept Wang Yunzhong's gift. In the end, Wang Yunmei was a little upset that she forgot to remind Wang Yunzhong not to buy anything.

However, Wang Yunzhong didn't think too much about it. He thought that Wang Yunmei was embarrassed. "It's fine. Brother already bought it. Just accept it. I won't do it again!"

These words gave Wang Yunmei a way out.

Wang Yunzhong held the gift up like that. Wang Yunmei sighed in her heart. Seeing this, Jian Ai said, "Mom, since Uncle already bought it, accept it."

Gifts were bought based on someone in mind. Jian Au thought if her mother didn't want it, he would've bought this gift for nothing.

Most importantly, she would not feel she owed her uncle a favor just because he bought a gift for her mother. A brother giving his sister a gift on her birthday was not considered a favor.

Seeing this, Wang Yunzhong quickly nodded and said, "That's right. I've already bought it. Keep it. It's also a token of Brother's appreciation."

As he spoke, Wang Yunzhong stuffed the thing into Wang Yunmei's hand.

As such, Wang Yunmei could only accept it. She opened it and saw that it was a luxury brand bag. Although it was not a top luxury brand like Hermes or Hongfan Kata, it was still an A-list brand. Such a bag cost at least twenty thousand yuan.

“Brother isn’t good at choosing. Don’t mind me,” Wang Yunzhong said.

However, he had especially paid attention to it. Ever since Wang Yunmei’s family background improved, her appearance had changed greatly. Her clothes were also more particular. Wang Yunzhong realized that every time he saw Wang Yunmei, the bag in her hand was different.

Women liked to buy bags. Wang Yunmei also liked to buy bags in the past, but they were all good-looking but cheap. She only took out bags worth over ten thousand yuan this year.

Therefore, Wang Yunzhong went to choose a bag. Moreover, it was a popular color. He needed to request a transfer of goods to get it. He spent a lot of effort.

Wang Yunmei smiled and nodded. Although she felt it was a little expensive, she could only accept it.

Moreover, to be honest, she liked the bag Wang Yunzhong chose at a glance. After all, it was a popular color and a popular style, so it must be difficult to buy it. Wang Yunmei, who often bought bags, knew this.

With everyone present, everyone prepared dinner. Wang Yunzhong didn’t know how to cook, so he chatted with Yao Feng in the living room.

Wu Shaoqi was a hidden chef. Today, he was in charge, and the three women were his assistants.

As soon as the kitchen door closed, Jiang Chunfen looked at Wang Yunmei and said helplessly, “Your brother hasn’t bought me a bag all these years.”

The two of them started dating at university. At that time, they did not have money. When the two of them had money, they were already an old married couple. The small surprises in their lives were long gone.

Wang Yunmei was also very helpless. “I forgot to tell him there’s no need to buy a gift. Sigh.”

On the other hand, Wang Yunzhi was still thinking about Wang Yunfa. She couldn’t help but say with a worried expression, “Sister, do you think Yunfa will go to jail?”

Although she had always despised him, he was still her brother. Whatever internal conflicts there were in the family were family matters. Since this involved going to jail, she could not help but worry.

Wang Yunmei was the same.

“Didn’t Brother say that the matter isn’t serious? As long as the other party agrees to reconcile, he can come out,” Wang Yunmei said.

Sighing, Wang Yunzhi nodded. She didn’t want to talk about this on her sister’s birthday, so she didn’t continue.

In the living room, Jian Ai was nestled in the corner of a sofa with Ji Haoyu beside her. She hid behind Ji Haoyu because she did not want Wang Yunzhong to see her and talk to her.

Fortunately, Wang Yunzhong didn’t appear too deliberate. Instead, he naturally chatted warmly with Yao Feng.

At this moment, Ji Haoyu suddenly leaned over. Jian Ai subconsciously raised her hand to hold his shoulder, almost thinking that Ji Haoyu was going to lie in her arms.

Ji Haoyu looked at Jian Ai's frightened expression in amusement and raised his handsome eyebrows. "What? I'm not a virus."

Retracting her hand, Jian Ai answered calmly, "It was an instinctive reaction."

"Why do I feel you don't have a good relationship with your uncle?" Ji Haoyu suddenly lowered his voice and secretly said.

Jian Ai was stunned but didn't deny it. "Is it that obvious?"

Ji Haoyu smiled and nodded. He liked this girl's straightforwardness. If she liked it, she liked it. If she didn't like it, she couldn't be bothered to brush him off.

Jian Ai pursed her lips. "If you can tell, help to block me from his sight."

"Alright!" When Ji Haoyu heard this, he sat straight and blocked Jian Ai behind him, revealing only his feet.

Seeing this, Jian Ai couldn't help but pursed her lips and smile. Looking at Ji Haoyu's broad and firm back, she felt he was a little cute.

The Jian Group usually got off work at five in the afternoon. Occasionally, there would be a team that would end work at night. At this moment, the sky was completely dark. The Jian Group's building was almost completely dark, and only the CEO's office and the other windows on the top floor were lit.

Jian Changsheng came out of the office reeking of alcohol. He had been drinking the entire afternoon but couldn't get drunk. He was even more sober than usual.

"CEO!"

Lili had been waiting outside the office. When she saw Jian Changsheng finally come out, she quickly went up to him. "Are you okay?"

The stench of alcohol entered her nose, making Lili cover her nose. She said to Jian Changsheng worriedly, "You drank a lot!"

Lili's sudden appearance shocked Jian Changsheng. His already sober mind instantly sobered up. "Why aren't you off work yet?"

Chapter 1249 Treat You Out for a Drink

"I..."

Lili blinked and almost blurted out Qiao Shuyi's instructions. Fortunately, she changed the topic and quickly said, "I was about to leave."

"CEO, are you okay? Do you want the company's driver to send you?" Lili suggested.

Although Jian Changsheng was in a bad mood, he didn't want to drink and drive. Hearing this, he said, "No need to trouble yourself. I'll take a taxi back. You should go early too!"

Lili nodded and walked towards the elevator with Jian Changsheng.

At this moment, another light was switched on in the office area on the top floor. The entire building was silent, and there seemed to be faint cries in the silent space.

This strange scene was like a scene from a horror movie. Jian Changsheng frowned and stopped in his tracks. He asked Lili, "Is there anyone on the top floor who hasn't left?"

"I'm not sure. That location seems to be where Project A sits..." As soon as she finished speaking, Lili immediately had goosebumps.

Because Project A was the department Han Wenjing was in. Han Wenjing was the director of Project A when she was alive.

At this thought, Lili's face turned pale. It was only past seven in the evening. Was the company haunted?

Just as she was frightened, Jian Changsheng passed the elevator and walked towards the lights. Lili didn't dare to stay alone and quickly followed.

Everyone on the top floor had gotten off work. The location where the lights were switched on was indeed the office area of Project A. Moreover, someone was crying.

However, that person was not Han Wenjing's ghost, but the new leader of Project A, Vivian.

The director's office was half-open. Vivian lay on the sofa in the office and buried her head in a pillow. As if thinking that everyone had gotten off work, she cried exceptionally loudly and engrossedly. Her whimpers were exceptionally sad.

Jian Changsheng and Lili stood at the door and paused for a few seconds. Vivian didn't notice them. In the end, Jian Changsheng knocked gently.

The sudden knock on the door seemed to scare Vivian. She suddenly raised her head and propped herself up. Her red and swollen eyes revealed a frightened expression – tears had covered her face. Coupled with her extraordinary appearance, her tear-stained appearance was exceptionally lovable.

"CEO?"

Seeing Jian Changsheng standing at the door, Vivian blinked in surprise. In the next second, she wiped her tears and stood up from the sofa. "You... you haven't left?"

Seeing Vivian crying so sadly, Jian Changsheng guessed it was because of the news of Han Wenjing's death.

"Is it because of Director Han?" Jian Changsheng walked forward and asked Vivian gently.

Before Vivian could say anything, tears welled up again. She glanced up to hide them and sobbed. "I'm sorry. I can't control myself. As soon as I think of this, I..."

At this point, she could not continue.

However, Vivian's cry touched Jian Changsheng again. He could empathize with Vivian's feelings.

Vivian had been working under Han Wenjing since she entered the company. She was the company's employee who had interacted with Han Wenjing the longest. Han Wenjing had a strict personality, but she had praised Vivian more than once in front of him. Therefore, when something happened to Han Wenjing, Jian Changsheng directly promoted Vivian to sit in the director's position.

Now that Vivian was heartbroken, Jian Changsheng felt she was a loyal person.

"I'm sorry, CEO. I've made a fool of myself." Vivian sorted out her emotions and wiped the tears from the corners of her eyes, revealing a forced smile.

Jian Changsheng said, "I'll treat you to a drink."

He felt Vivian needed alcohol as much as he did.

Vivian nodded sadly. "Alright."

Such a situation should happen naturally. Because of Han Wenjing's death, the two saddest people in the company arranged to have a drink together. This was the direction a story should take.

Lili opened her mouth to tell Jian Changsheng that the CEO's wife was waiting for him to come home, but in the face of such a natural situation, she said nothing.

Watching Jian Changsheng and Vivian get into a taxi and leave, Lili didn't hesitate this time. She took out her phone and called Qiao Shuyi.

"Lili." Qiao Shuyi's voice came from the other end of the phone. "Is Changsheng back? Did he drink?"

"Madam, the CEO just left," Lili said. "But he's not going home. He went out for a drink with Director Vivian."

"Vivian?" Qiao Shuyi was a little puzzled as if she was not familiar with this name.

Lili quickly explained, "She's one of Director Han's subordinates. Because of the news of Director Han's death, the CEO saw her crying alone in the office, so the CEO invited her out for a drink."

"But the CEO also drank in the office in the afternoon. I smelled alcohol on him."

"Did he drink too much?" Qiao Shuyi asked.

"Not yet. He was quite sober when he came out of the office," Lili said. "But I was worried that he would get drunk if he drank more. Besides, I don't know where they went, so I thought I should tell you quickly."

"They just left. Do you want me to follow them?" Lili said again.

"No, thank you." Qiao Shuyi smiled and said, "I know where they went."

After hanging up, Qiao Shuyi sat on the sofa with her phone in her hand for a moment before making another call.

Soon, the call went through.

"York, it's Shuyi."

“Yes, Changsheng is not in a good mood today. He might go to your place for a few drinks. Help me take care of him. If he drinks too much, remember to call me. I’ll pick him up.”

“No, it wasn’t a fight. A colleague from his company passed away.”

“Thank you!”

After hanging up, Qiao Shuyi rubbed her temples gently. At this moment, Nanny Xu came out of the kitchen. Seeing this, she went forward and said, “What’s wrong, Madam? Is Sir not coming back?”

Qiao Shuyi nodded. “Yes, there’s no need to wait for him. Let’s eat. He went out to drink.”

“Went out to drink?” Nanny Xu couldn’t help but be surprised. “Sir hasn’t drunk in a long time. Why would he go out to drink for no reason?”

Because she was the old nanny at home, Nanny Xu was as casual as family.

Qiao Shuyi stood up and mumbled, “It’s about what I told you during the day. He’s in a bad mood. It’s fine to go out for a drink occasionally. Let’s eat. Remember to make some hangover soup later and let him drink it.”

“Alright.” Nanny Xu said nothing else and turned around to go to the kitchen.

Qiao Shuyi looked up at the time on the wall. The hands of the clock were neither too much nor too little. It was just half past eight in the evening.

She sighed and walked towards the dining table.

Chapter 1250 If They Were Sad Together, The Pain Would Be Halved

York Bar was named as such because the owner was a foreigner called York.

This was a bar Jian Changsheng often came to. In the past, he would bring Qiao Shuyi there. Over time, the two of them became good friends with the boss.

Over the years, Jian Changsheng rarely drank. Even the alcohol in the wine cabinet in the office was quite old. Occasionally, when he was unhappy or stressed, he would come to York to sit. The boss would concoct some alcoholic drinks with a lower alcohol content for him.

Today was the first time Jian Changsheng had brought someone other than Qiao Shuyi to York Bar, and it was a woman.

As the saying went, if they were sad together, it would halve the pain.

The two of them walked into the bar. The dim lights gave off an atmosphere. Two bartenders and a server were busy at the bar counter. There were four or five tables of customers scattered around and the light music had a comforting effect. The entire bar exuded a sense of ease and silence. It was most suitable for people with trouble to relax.

“CEO, why don’t we go back? It’s already very late. Madam will be worried.”

As she walked into the bar, Vivian suddenly looked at Jian Changsheng and said.

"It's okay. We'll just have a few drinks. I know the boss here. His skills are not bad," Jian Changsheng said casually.

Qiao Shuyi had always been considerate and would not be angry about such a thing. He did not want to bring his negative emotions home, so he was willing to bring Vivian to the bar.

Vivian nodded slightly. Because her makeup was smudged from crying, she immediately said, "I'll go to the bathroom first."

Jian Changsheng pointed the way for her and sat on the high chair in front of the bar.

As soon as he sat down, York appeared from behind him.

Jian Changsheng was shocked. When he saw the other party's bearded face, he came back to his senses. "You scared me."

"It's been a long time. Why are you in the mood to come over today?" York sat down at the side and gestured to the bartender. "Give me two Bloody Marys."

Jian Changsheng raised his hand and said, "I'm not drinking Bloody Mary today. Give me something strong."

"Oh!"

York raised his eyebrows and looked at Jian Changsheng meaningfully. "Why? Are you in a bad mood today?"

"An employee of my company passed away. She got into a car accident while on a business trip in the capital and didn't make it," Jian Changsheng said truthfully.

York nodded in understanding. Qiao Shuyi had told him this over the phone, but he could only pretend to know nothing. Otherwise, Changsheng would think that Shuyi was monitoring him.

"Alright, if you're in a bad mood, drink whatever you want." York patted Jian Changsheng's shoulder comfortingly and said, "Don't worry about drinking too much here."

Jian Changsheng looked at York gratefully and smiled bitterly. "Alright, thank you."

"Vodka?" York asked, raising his eyebrows.

Jian Changsheng thought for a moment and nodded. "Add an olive."

Not long after, Vivian came back after touching up her makeup. She let down her hair. Her smooth, wavy hair was exceptionally beautiful and textured, and she instantly changed her temperament.

"Oh, you brought a beauty over today?" York pretended to be surprised as he looked at Vivian from top to bottom.

Her looks were top-notch, and her figure was hot. She was top-notch.

"Let me introduce you. This is our company's department director, Vivian. The person who passed away that I mentioned to you just now was once her superior," Jian Changsheng said.

“Hello, I’m York.” York reached out to greet her.

Vivian shook the other party’s hand symbolically and smiled in response.

York stood up and said to Jian Changsheng, “Alright, since someone is drinking with you, I’ll get busy first. Use my name today. It’s rare to see you in a bad mood. My treat!”

“Thank you,” Jian Changsheng said.

After York left, Jian Changsheng ordered a blue martini for Vivian. The two of them clinked glasses and took a sip.

Jian Changsheng was still wrapped in sadness. He was very reserved in his sadness because he couldn’t cry like Vivian, so he gave off a very oppressive feeling.

Vivian was silent for a while before gathering her courage to say, “CEO, are you okay...”

However, this first sentence was a little pale. Vivian was very nervous. Was she sad that Han Wenjing passed away? Of course, she was. She still had some feelings for Han Wenjing.

However, if she was crying so sadly in the office today, how much of this sadness was real? Perhaps it was only thirty percent.

She could sit at the bar with Jian Changsheng now. Vivian knew she had used this matter to secretly promote the story in her heart.

She was very smart and knew how to use people’s hearts and the current environment to achieve her selfishness.

However, now that she was alone with Jian Changsheng, she couldn’t help but feel nervous. This nervousness might be because of fear or excitement.

A charming married man, a flawless man in everyone’s eyes. At this moment, he belonged to her, and only to her.

Usually, Vivian’s tricks might not make Jian Changsheng submit, but Jian Changsheng differed from before. He was in no mood to think about anything else.

Jian Changsheng took another sip of alcohol. The spicy feeling brushed across his throat and made his body feel better.

“I’m fine. It’s just that...” Jian Changsheng wanted to say something but swallowed his words.

At this point, self-reproach and guilt were useless. Han Wenjing was dead, and he was too embarrassed to say any excuse.

“I know you must be very sad. You might be even sadder than me.” Vivian immediately took over Jian Changsheng’s words and said in a sobbing voice, “Although Director Han usually has a cold face, she’s still very kind. I still remember when I first came to the company, she asked me to work overtime day and night. At that time, I felt she was so annoying and bullied me for being a newcomer. However, I later learned that the company eliminated those newcomers who couldn’t keep up with the company’s rhythm. I was one of the few people who stayed behind...”

Vivian talked about her past with Han Wenjing. Jian Changsheng said nothing, so there was no awkwardness.

With Vivian's story, Jian Changsheng quickly finished three glasses of strong vodka. Just as he was about to ask the bartender for another glass, Vivian couldn't help but stop him. "CEO, stop drinking. You'll get drunk."

Jian Changsheng gently moved her hand away and said calmly, "It's fine even if I'm drunk. Don't worry about me. Just leave me here."