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Though his energy levels have faded, his passion for Buddhism remains undiminished.

His disciples once showed him a video of Master Jingqing giving a lecture,

And Kongyin was deeply impressed by his profound understanding of the Dharma.

Convinced that after 110 years of monastic life,

His understanding of the Dharma was still only 60% or 70% of Jingqing's.

He resolutely decided to accept Jingqing as his teacher, his final guide.

Last year, Kongyin personally traveled to Putuo Mountain,

Ostensibly to facilitate a Buddhist exchange between Chinese and Japanese monks,

But in reality, to meet with Jingqing and personally propose his discipleship.

Jingqing initially declined, but Kongyin, deeply captivated by his exposition of the Dharma,

Not only knelt before Jingqing and pleaded,

But also solemnly accepted the position in front of both Chinese and Japanese media.

Kongyin's actions weren't meant to be morally coercive.

He was a leading figure in Japanese Buddhist scholarship, and publicly accepting the young Jingqing's apprenticeship would have lowered his stature.

However, he remained unconcerned, believing firmly in the proverb, "If one hears the truth in the morning, one can die in the evening."

He hoped that in his final years, he would have the opportunity to comprehend the most profound Buddhist teachings currently available.

After all, the Buddhist scriptures, dating back thousands of years, were no longer accessible to everyone.

The more profound one's study, the deeper one's understanding.

And like the practice of Buddhism,

Even a mere level of advancement can make a world of difference.

Jingqing feared Kongyin's actions would cause too much noise and draw unnecessary attention,

So he reluctantly agreed to accept Kongyin as an unofficial disciple,

Teaching him the Dharma while keeping their master-disciple relationship secret.

Kongyin had been practicing Buddhism for 110 years and was extremely devout.

Since Jingqing had agreed to teach him the Dharma,

He fully complied with all his requests.

Thus, no one outside the temple knew that the two, despite a significant age difference of several decades,

Actually had a master-disciple relationship.

A few days ago, upon learning that Jingqing wished to retreat to Kinkaku-ji Temple for a period of time,

He immediately arranged for its reconstruction and reserved one of its most secluded courtyards for Jingqing.

Not only did he refrain from visiting,

But he also strictly prohibited anyone else in the temple from approaching.

Margaret and Sister Sun's group temporarily took up residence there.

At that moment, Jingqing was discussing Buddhism with Kongyin in his meditation room.

Margaret was alone in the courtyard,

Lost in thought as he gazed at the newly sprouted old pine trees.

Sister Sun crossed the corridor in the courtyard and walked quickly to the front.

She whispered respectfully, "Madam, Leon has taken off and is expected to arrive in Osaka in eight hours."

"I have arranged for someone to pick him up and bring him to Kyoto as soon as possible."

Margaret nodded and asked, "What's going on with Charlie?"

Sister Sun said, "He has arranged for many people to investigate in China."

"And the Ito family has also sent a number of ninjas to help."

Margaret said lightly, "It doesn't matter."

"Let them investigate."

"No matter how they investigate, the clues will be broken at several key points."

"With so many circuit breakers, it's impossible for all of them to fail."

Sister Sun added, "But I just heard that Inspector Li left Houston for Melbourne."

Margaret frowned slightly and blurted out,

"Inspector Li? Duncan Li?"

"Yes!"

Sister Sun nodded. "The young master saved his life."

"I think now is the time for him to repay his kindness."

Margaret pursed her lips for a moment and said solemnly,

"Duncan is in trouble."

"For him, as long as he has enough time, any case can be solved."

"Investigating us should not be a difficult task."

"With his ability, one or two years is enough."

Sister Sun said worriedly,

"One or two years is too short a time window."

"The possibility of the young master surpassing the Warriors Den in one or two years is very small..."

Margaret smiled and said, "It doesn't matter."

"Duncan is a smart man."

"If he really finds our actual clues,"

"I will go to see him. He will always give me a face."

At this point, her expression froze, and she said solemnly,

"No matter what, it is most important not to delay Charlie's development."

"Victoria doesn't have much time left."

"She will only become crazier and more crazy and hysterical in the future."

"Charlie must be fully prepared."

"Otherwise, once she is determined to do whatever she wants,"

"The An family and the Wade family will become her targets!"