

Come back to me

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They Should Have A Child

Nina's thoughts were interrupted when she felt a sudden jolt of pain on her wrist. Instead of scolding John, she softly murmured, "Honey."

Ever since Nina called John by that endearment at the Blue Mountain, he had always asked her to call him that. Most of the time, Nina felt uncomfortable and was reluctant to say the word.

She wasn't used to calling him honey yet.

The only time that she would call him by that endearment was when they were alone. She would never say it when there was someone else near them.

At this moment, only John and Nina were inside the ward. Nina called out to John using the endearment again, her eyes blinking in pain.

John was quite shocked when he came back to his senses and saw that the person in front of him was Nina. At the same, he felt a little guilty.

Quickly, he pulled Nina closer to him and wrapped his arms around her. He loosened his grip on her wrist and just held her gently.

Sniffing, he smelled Nina's familiar fragrance. He felt calm with her in his arms. However, he couldn't shake the guilty feeling he had.

'What did I do just now?

How could I hurt her so carelessly?'

As he held her tighter, he whispered in her ear, "I'm so sorry."

He dreamed of what had happened on his tenth birthday.

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d smiled gently at the couple.

"I heard that you fell off a building and hurt your waist." Nelson put down his son and walked up to John. Concern was written on his face. "Is your waist still okay after you two slept together?"

John was speechless.

He thought that his family just liked making fun with him instead of caring about him.

"Yeah, I'm fine. There's no problem," John answered calmly.

Then, Nelson let out a relieved laugh and said, "That's good. Sandra and I are going to Provence, and we'll be there for a month. Please take care of Chester in our absence."

Sandra Qin said to Nina, "Nina, thank you for taking care of Chester. He is an obedient kid, and I promise he won't give you any trouble."

Nina didn't feel anything strange about the first sentence that Sandra Qin said.

However, she felt that Sandra Qin was implying something with that second sentence.

"It doesn't matter. With a child at home, I won't be too bored," Nina agreed with a shrug.

"You should have your own child, and the North Yard will be much more lively." Smiling, Sandra Qin squeezed Nina's hand and thanked her again.

Lost in her thoughts, Nina pursed her lips slightly.

'The North Yard is a huge place. How many children do we need to make it lively?'

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Real Genius

Nelson and his wife watched Chester for a while and then hurried to catch the plane, leaving Chester behind.

As expected, Chester was very obedient. He didn't disturb Nina or John. He simply sat on the sofa and paged through a book he had taken from his schoolbag.

It was Yuval Noah Harari's book, called "Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind."

The author, Yuval Noah Harari, earned his doctorate in history from the University of Oxford. He was a professor of history at Bar-Ilan University in Jerusalem. With the publication of his book, he became renowned as an expert in history.

If many history books were written from a bird's-eye view of the world, the world was the world as viewed from a satellite.

Nina was surprised. A ten-year-old child was reading "Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind" and even making notes in the margins.

Chester lowered his head and read carefully. His profile was quite handsome. Not even adolescent yet, and he already was adorable. He would probably break quite a few hearts before he settled down.

Nina saw a lot of John in Chester, at least physically.

These two people looked very much alike.

Nina cou

was a knock on the door. Richard reported, "Mr. and Mrs. Shi, Miss Jessica Shi, Mr. Daniel Shi and their family are here."

Speak of the devil!

Jessica pushed the door open and walked in first, Jason at her side.

Daniel's family followed them in.

"Uncle Daniel, Aunt Angela, Aunt Jessica, James, Dora." Chester stood up and greeted everyone politely.

Nina also stood up and nodded with a smile.

Jessica greeted them casually. She walked straight to the bedside, and the others sat on the sofa for now.

After exchanging a few pleasantries, Angela held Nina's hand and whispered, "James told me. Did you really get hurt?"

"Don't worry, I'm fine. John got hurt, so he's stuck here for another week." Nina looked in John's direction, a worried expression on her face.

Jessica looked at John with a concerned expression. "So how did you get hurt? Is it serious?"

"No, it's not. Can we talk about something else?" John looked fine. He seemed okay.

But Jessica knew that John wouldn't say anything even if something did happen to him.

The more John insisted he was fine, the more worried Jessica became.

She had to find out the truth.

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This Is My Family Matter

"I know a little about it. Why did you fall down from the third floor?" John had concealed what happened very well. Jessica only knew that he had fallen off a building, but did not know what had happened exactly.

Sam probably knew, but he did not tell Jessica no matter how many times she asked.

Jessica had no choice but to come to the hospital and ask her brother herself.

She thought that it was definitely not because of his carelessness.

Someone must have plotted it.

Her brother was a man of noble status and possibly the most powerful man in Lexingport City. Who would not want to plot against him?

"Tell me the truth, John. What happened?" Jessica sat on the edge of her brother's bed and spoke in a serious tone.

John frowned slightly.

Obviously, he was not happy with her questioning.

Jason guessed that it must have had something to do with Nina. His wife had a prejudice against Nina, and she had fallen out with her father and her eldest brother and sister-in-law because of it.

It also angered John.

Jason could not let his wife repeat the same mistake and provoke her brother, lest they would be alienated.

"Honey, John is still recovering. You should care more about his current condition." Jason had a refined, scholarly

the same thing for Nina," Angela declared. Looking at Jason, she almost felt a little sorry for him. He was a good man who came from money and blessed with a pleasing personality, but he had always lived in Jessica's shadow and always had to clean up after her and calm her personal storms.

Jessica's lips trembled. She had never felt so wronged like this in front of her family her entire life.

"My husband should be nice to me. It's his duty to get hurt for me if the need arises. As for the Fu family, they won't dare blame me. I'm a daughter of the Shi family. They can't afford to offend me."

What Jessica said made Jason have mixed feelings. He loosened his hand on her shoulder and looked at her with a sad expression.

There seemed to be something in his heart that was slowly unfolding.

Maybe that was the truth.

Jason could not help wondering if he had just chosen to ignore it this entire time.

'No, I don't think she means that.'

Jason shook off all the ridiculous thoughts in his mind, put his arm around his wife's shoulder again, and said softly, "Since John needs to get some rest, we'll go now. We'll come visit him another day."

"Why? Do you think I'm wrong?" Jessica shook off Jason's arm and raised her head to question him.

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Take A Fancy To Your Body

Hearing Jessica's question, Jason felt a little helpless. He paused for a while and said, "No. I know you care about your brother, but..."

"But what?" Jessica snapped. She was being a bit unreasonable again.

Jason chose to bite his tongue back.

Jessica retorted angrily, "I've had enough of my brother always getting in danger and hurting himself. Am I wrong for wanting him to be safe? Since he got together with Nina, his life has never been peaceful."

"It's not wrong for you to care about your brother, but he has his own family now. Honey..." Jason walked forward to try and console his wife, but Jessica stepped back and ignored him.

Jason sighed in his heart. He had been with her for so many years and setting an example for her to follow, but he had never had the heart to confront her about anything she did wrong.

Jessica did not know how to behave herself, but at the same time, he did not teach her the truth that things would go in the opposite direction if she chose to go extreme.

Seeing that the two struggled in their misunderstanding, Nina felt a little guilty, but she did not agree that the Fu family could not afford to offend Jessica just because she was a Shi.

Nina even felt that Jessica had always asked Jason to give her whatever she wanted and taken it all for granted.

Love was not sup

ing that James exposed what he had asked him to do, John's body tensed up. "Shut your mouth, James."

James shut up immediately but still could not help giggling.

But Nina had heard everything.

She calmly looked at John and said with a faint smile, "I wondered why Mimi hung around with James every day. It turned out that you were behind it.

So you have fallen in love with me for a long time?" Nina remembered clearly that John expressed his feelings in the master bedroom at North Yard.

But it turned out he had had an interest in her for a long time.

Thinking of this, Nina smiled and returned to John's side. She whispered in her husband's ear, "That's okay.

I've also taken a fancy to your body for a long time."

As soon as she finished speaking, she naughtily blew into John's ear.

Then, she pretended to be prim and proper. She knew that John could not touch her at all because there were people around and he was still injured.

John's body tensed up. He stretched out his hand and reached for hers. He twined his fingers with hers.

With his eyes staring into Nina's, John smiled wickedly at his wife and leaned close.

"Once we're home at North Yard, I'll teach you a lesson."

John put on a noble and cold face, but what he said sent a shiver down her spine.

Then, Nina's face burned red.

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Your Future Daughter in law

John and Nina were only whispering to each other, but from the sofa, it seemed like they were doing something more.

Dora immediately covered Chester's eyes. "You're too young to see that."

"Why don't you cover your eyes? Why do you cover Chester's eyes?" James asked.

Dora had seen her parents show off their love many times, but she had never seen John and Nina show off. She had to learn from them.

John was Dora's idol.

She wanted to know how he and Nina ended up together despite their age difference.

She believed that if she learned it, she would be able to woo a man as outstanding as John.

"Dora, you don't have to cover my eyes. Your parents are already blocking my sight." Chester raised his hand and pulled Dora's hands away.

He turned around to look at Dora.

From where he was sitting, Chester could not see John and Nina at all.

Besides, he was not interested in whatever they were doing. He just wanted to be left alone to read his book in peace.

Dora withdrew her hands and smiled innocently. "Just in case, Chester. You're still young. You're not supposed to see blatant displays of affection."

"All right. I don't ca

ed in unison.

James was speechless.

'They always laugh at me.

They're without conscience!

When Emma shows up here, I'll sure have the last laugh. They'll see it soon enough.'

Knock! Knock! Knock!

There was a knock on the door.

After confirming the identity of the newcomer, Richard opened the door for her.

Emma came in with a fruit basket in her hand. She wore her hair loose, and she was wearing a blue loose shirt tucked into a high-waist, knee-length red skirt. It showed off her perfect waistline.

Her look today was retro but elegant. Anyone who did not know her could easily mistake her for a movie star.

After finding out that Nina was hospitalized, Emma came to visit her. She did not expect that there would be many people in the ward today.

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Even James who had been pestering her with endless flowers and gifts was also there.

Lately, Emma had been deliberately hiding from James. She was so surprised to see him that she almost dropped the fruit basket.

She felt a little embarrassed.

Before Emma could explain why she came, John, who was in bed, opened his mouth and said, "Your future daughter-in-law is here."

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Emma

Emma blinked her eyes. She wondered John was referring to her.

Silence had fallen in the ward and she felt embarrassed again.

Mustering a smile, she took the initiative to nod at the people in the ward. It somehow helped in covering her mortification.

Then Emma walked over to Nina. "Are you feeling better? You told me that you were in the hospital a few days ago, and I wanted to come to see you, but my tutor didn't grant me a leave. That's why I can only come here today."

Since that time when Nina had helped Emma regarding Harrison's affair with another woman, they had been messaging each other often on WeChat.

Michelle was in Spring City and Nina couldn't get in touch with her anyway, so Emma became her friend.

Still, no one could replace Michelle in Nina's heart. All Nina wanted was to protect her friend, as well as the one that Michelle herself wished to protect.

"I'm fine. He's the one who's is hurt." Nina cocked her head over to John, and Emma gave her greetings. "Mr. Shi."

She was polite.

Nina glanced at James, who immediately understood what the look meant. He hurriedly brought over a chair for Emma.

He was very gentle and appeared to be docile as he did so,

his usual pompous and domineering bearing gone.

He looked like a man with an imposing appearance.

"Emma, have a seat." Jam

short form of Germanic names that began with the element ermen meaning 'whole' or 'universal.' It was introduced to England by Emma of Normandy."

His words stunned everyone in the room.

James was notorious for hating to read the most, but here he was, spouting knowledge about the origin of the word "Emma." He was eloquent about it, too.

Learning all that couldn't have been easy for him.

Emma looked around the room at the people's surprised faces. She didn't quite understand it; nothing particularly unusual had happened anyway.

She didn't think there was anything specifically wrong with her today either.

She smiled wide in an attempt to mask the flush on her cheeks. "That is indeed the origin of my name, yes."

"See? I'm right. You all don't believe me." James didn't know that he was just a man with slight talent and superficial learning in the eyes of his family.

He thought that his family members were surprised by the origin and meaning of Emma's name.

He thought so because he was also surprised at the beginning.

Angela was excited. It looked like her son had grown up.

She used to think that James was rather dull, and he had detested studying more than anything. It appeared that they had been wrong with their assumptions. He only needed the right person to motivate him to make progress.

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Playing Hard To Get

Angela looked at Emma as if she was accepting a daughter-in-law into the family. The more Angela looked at Emma, the more she adored her. Angela held her hand kindly and said, "Are you okay with me calling you Emma?"

"You can call me whatever you want, Auntie." It was hard for Emma to refuse. Angela was so amiable that it just seemed rude to reject her.

It was even more difficult to imagine that this elegant and knowledgeable woman was James' mother.

She once received a love letter from James and at a glance instantly knew that it was copied straight from the Internet. He wasn't much of a writer at all.

It was a complete joke.

James probably wasn't very well read either.

Angela was ecstatic. She was about to call Emma daughter-in-law, but she was afraid of scaring the little girl.

She began to pry a little more. "Emma, do you have a boyfriend?"

James immediately blurted out, "Yes."

Emma, assuredly said, "No."

They both exclaimed simultaneously, affirming their lack of understanding. Up until this point, everyone thought that they were actually quite good together.

Emma was slightly stunned and repeated with a smile, "No, I don't have a boyfriend."

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She poked her son's head and angrily barked, "Do you know what playing hard to get is?"

"I don't know," James said bluntly.

As soon as he finished speaking, everyone erupted into laughter.

Dora had a sudden realization. "Dad, is that how you ended up marrying Mom?"

With one hand on Angela's shoulder, Daniel smiled happily. "Exactly the opposite. Your mother nailed me.

So, boy, use your brain." Daniel looked at his silly son but couldn't blame him for his naivety. He was just worried as all fathers were.

Daniel then left with his wife and daughter, leaving James here. It was the best thing to do right now. James could learn from John how to woo his beloved girl.

After they all left, James still couldn't shake his anxiety about Emma. But his mom was right, he couldn't chase after her.

He had to give Emma time to think it over.

James knew he needed to take the time to improve himself as well. He needed to know how to be charming and powerful much like John.

James' mother was right. Emma was not a cheap woman and she wouldn't be fooled by cheap gimmicks.

Emma deserved nothing but the best.

James knew what he had to do. He had to become a man worthy of Emma.

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Let's Use The Study Tonight

The determination in James' eyes was not lost on both Nina and John. They took this as a sign to take him seriously.

The prodigal son who returns is unmatched—more precious than gold.

Likewise, the lazy who works hard progresses more than anyone else.

From then, James would fill his days by either filming for the movie or sending out gifts to prominent directors in the industry. Every time he came back, he would share his day with Chester.

Chester would then listen patiently and occasionally give him some advice as if he was a teacher.

John had been discharged from the hospital earlier than planned. He went back to North Yard so he could recover.

During the day, Nina would take Chester to class. The beautiful pair looked stunning as they took Nina for a walk around the campus.

They attracted quite a bit of attention—some were delighted by the dog while some wanted to play with Chester.

Naturally, Chester sparingly showed any emotions. He barely smiled or said a word. As a result, most people tended to stay away from him.

On days where there were no classes, Nina would stay in North Yard to take care of John. Since Henry was in charge of the company's affairs, he came every d

n't help that John had been yearning for her for a while now.

He lightly grazed her eyes with his fingers, feeling her eyelashes flutter.

As his heart lurched, he traced her face with his fingers, making his way to her lips.

"We're using the study tonight."

"What?" For a while, Nina remained expressionless as John took her outside.

They walked into the study.

John closed the door behind them. He gestured towards the wall. "Honey, could you help me look for a book?"

"Sure." Nina assumed that he intended to read so she did as she was asked.

The study was bright and spacious. Its bookshelf was affixed to the wall.

Nina turned her head and asked, "Which one?"

"Let me have a look." John walked over, lowered his head as he gently wrapped his arms around her waist.

"I think I want this book," he said, his voice hoarse, aroused by Nina's closeness and warmth.

Slightly startled, Nina seemed to realize something. "Have you recovered already?"

"Yes," he said, his tone low and alluring.

He had no problems in seducing people—he was practically an expert in this.

Nina's eyes flickered, mildly confused. He took the opportunity to kiss her and relish her rosy red lips.

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The Kitchen Was In A Mess

Books scattered all over the floor inside the study and passionate moans could be heard.

Nina had never felt that way before.

It was completely different from when the domineering John dragged her back to North Yard last time after discovering about their relationship.

His actions were filled with tenderness this time.

Sometimes, it felt like she was in the clouds.

Sometimes, it felt like they were chasing each other.

Both were secretly competing and didn't want to lose.

John pressed his lips gently on Nina's forehead which was now full of sweat.

After they were done, Nina snuggled in his arms and closed her eyes.

It didn't take long for her breathing to become even. John, on the other hand, was wide awake. Since he didn't feel sleepy at all, he carefully pulled his arm away and got out of bed as quiet as he could.

He took a shower and changed into a clean set of clothes. As he stood by the window, the sunlight crept inside and coated his body with a layer of its golden rays.

Nina opened her eyes groggily at the sound of the water running and saw John.

A small smile formed on her lips. It felt like she was dreaming of him again.

The man she was willing to submit to.

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expect that the dog would end up destroying his romantic moments with his wife.

The dog barked at John. Nine felt that John despised him.

Chester only thought that he needed to only attend a day's class for Nina. However, he ended up returning to L University on the second day and listened to the lectures for the whole day.

Nina used to accompany Chester before which was why he was willing to attend her classes back then.

Since she was not with him at the moment, he found himself in low spirits the whole day.

Jason appeared, and it was only when Chester saw him that he finally came to his senses. He decided to walk over to him with Nine.

However, before he was even able to get close to Jason, he saw his aunt slapping his uncle in the middle of the crowded campus.

The loud sound of a palm hitting flesh echoed throughout the area.

"Jason, you lied to me!" Jessica's cold eyes pierced through the man in front of her as she continued to criticize him. She didn't care about the palm print that was starting to appear on his face.

"I've checked your schedule. You only have four classes every day, and you haven't been to Fu Group for a week. The documents on your desk are almost piled up!"

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We re Getting Divorce

Jason had classes in the daytime and stayed in the school apartment during evenings. Sometimes he would just sit there for the whole night.

He had been feeling tired both physically and mentally recently, so he no longer went to the company anymore.

He was not the only son. If he didn't go to work, someone else would take over things.

Fu Group wouldn't go bankrupt just because he was absent for a week.

Ambitions differ from person to person. Jessica's happened to be landing great achievements, but she unfortunately lacked the ability to pursue them. So she passed the torch to her husband and made her own ambitions his.

However, Jason loved the pleasure of an ordinary life.

All he wanted was to hold his wife in his arms for a lifetime. And if they would be blessed with children in the future, it would be another great joy in his life. Even if they remained childless, he would be content as long as he had his wife.

But she didn't share his outlook.

Jessica had always hoped for Jason to stand at the pinnacle of society and attain a position of universal attention. Only then could he stand beside her.

She was, after all, from the prominent Shi family, a truly rich and powerful family.

"Isn't that Professor Fu from the school of literature?" Passing students began to whisper among themselves. They threw

them? How can you be so spineless?"

It was just as Jason had thought. He lowered his eyes and said nothing further. The setting sun cast its last rays over them, but he felt no warmth. If anything, he felt even colder.

Chester had been watching them from the distance, and the entire time all he could see was his aunt continuously pushing his uncle farther and farther away.

He was shaken out of his reverie by another outburst from his aunt.

"Jason, do you want all my friends to laugh at me? They would say that I married an unknown university professor. They would think that I lack taste and would mock me behind my back."

Jason scowled, and his ice cold fingertips twitched.

When he remained silent, Jessica took it as his acquiescence. She steeled her voice as she threw an ultimatum at her husband.

"Make a choice, Jason. Do you want to be with me, or do you want to be a university teacher? If you choose me, then you'd better quit your profession right this instant, pack your things, return to your office in Fu Group, do your job as general manager, and achieve great heights in the business world. If you choose to keep teaching..."

Jessica paused for effect, then before dealing the final blow through gritted teeth. "Then we're getting divorce."

Divorce?

Jason looked up

at his wife in disbelief.