

Crippled 341

Chapter 341: Hanxing, You Came

Shen Hanxing's attitude made Ji Yan feel more assured. After a moment of silence, he nodded and said, "Okay."

"You should also have more confidence in yourself," Shen Hanxing smiled and said, "I think no one is more outstanding than you in this world."

"You are more beautiful than anything in this world," Ji Yan hugged Shen Hanxing. He could not help but sigh softly, "I'm just an ordinary person. Of course, I would worry about gains and losses. I'm afraid of losing your love." This man dominated the business world and was regarded as the dream lover by all the upper-class socialites. At this moment, he was so insecure that it broke Shen Hanxing's heart.

Seeing Ji Yan like this, Shen Hanxing's heart softened. She wanted to say something but realized it was inappropriate to say anything. She straightened her body and took the initiative to offer her lips. Ji Yan's body stiffened. He subconsciously hugged Shen Hanxing and deepened the kiss.

"Sister-in-law, today I..." Ji Mo, who had just finished his day at school, walked downstairs briskly. When he looked up, he saw the scene in front of him. He was instantly stunned. His face was flushed red, and even his earlobes were dyed pink. His voice stuttered, "I... I haven't finished my homework. I'll go upstairs first!"

Shen Hanxing's face flushed. She subconsciously stood up, "Ji Mo..."

"Ignore him," Ji Yan looked displeased. He grabbed Shen Hanxing and kissed her again, "let him go back to his room first."

Lu Shaoyang and Su Ling's engagement party was on this Saturday. Shen Hanxing's school didn't have classes on Saturday, so she didn't need to ask for leave from school. When the time came, she would change her clothes and go with Ji Yan. For the people of the upper class, the engagement party was also a place for socializing. When Shen Hanxing and Ji Yan arrived, the people from the Lu family who stood at the door were warmly welcoming the guests.

Lu Shaoyang was wearing a white suit. His hair was neatly tidied up, revealing a clean and bright, handsome face. However, his face did not look too good, and his smile showed reluctance. On the other hand, his fiancée, Su Ling, standing next to him, had her long hair tied up, revealing a beautiful face. The sweet smile on her face had never disappeared. Rumors said she was deeply affectionately toward Lu Shaoyang and was extremely persistent. Now, she finally got what she wanted.

When he saw the Ji family's car approaching, Lu Shaoyang's eyes lit up. His eyes filled with surprise, and even the smile on his face became more genuine. "Hanxing... you came." His eyes were sparkling. He stared at Shen Hanxing greedily. His Hanxing came! He knew that she would not hate him. She would understand his difficulties!

Lu Shaoyang had always refused to call Shen Hanxing Mrs. Ji as if this would erase the fact that Shen Hanxing was already married. Su Ling, who had a crush on Lu Shaoyang, naturally knew Shen Hanxing.

When she saw the look of joy on Lu Shaoyang's face when he saw Shen Hanxing, Su Ling almost gritted her teeth. She quickly stepped forward and frowned. "Brother Shaoyang, look at you. Why are you in such a hurry?" She pouted and reached out to grab Lu Shaoyang's arm. She leaned on Lu Shaoyang's body. It was as if she was declaring her sovereignty, but it also seemed like she was hinting at something. She looked at Shen Hanxing and Ji Yan as she said with a smile, "Mr. Ji, Mrs. Ji, it's great that you guys can come. Brother Shaoyang had always remembered the friendship between him and Mrs. Ji. Because of this, he feared that Mrs. Ji would not come to our engagement party." Su Ling said in an intimate tone, "Now that Mrs. Ji is here, Brother Shaoyang and I are very happy." She was declaring she was Lu Shaoyang's fiancée.

Lu Shaoyang's face darkened. He distanced himself from Su Ling and said with an uncomfortable expression, "Su Ling, don't do this." A flash of guilt flashed in his eyes.

Shen Hanxing sneered. One of them was declaring her identity, thinking that her fiancé was some peerless treasure that everyone wanted. The other one tried to distance himself, but he couldn't make up his mind. What a jerk!

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"Mr. Lu and I are acquaintances. Of course, Ji Yan and I will come when we know he is engaged," Shen Hanxing smiled and held Ji Yan's hand. She said faintly, "you are in the limelight of this engagement. You must be busy. There's no need to waste your effort to entertain us. We'll find our seats."

Lu Shaoyang saw Shen Hanxing and Ji Yan's intimacy and was disappointed.

Chapter 342: We Welcome Your Presence

Lu Shaoyang looked at the two of them holding hands and wanted to say something but could not do so. He could only force a smile with a sad look. "Please come in." After a short pause, his gaze filled with sadness and affection fell on Shen Hanxing. He said in a low and affectionate voice, "Hanxing, I have something to tell you in a while."

"Mr. Lu, it's your engagement today. I'm afraid you won't have the time," Ji Yan's face instantly turned cold, and he said sternly, "if there's anything important, say it. my wife and I will be waiting for you at our seats." After saying that, he held Shen Hanxing in his arms possessively and asked, "honey, don't you think so?"

"Of course," Seeing Ji Yan starting to get jealous again, Shen Hanxing felt it was funny. She nodded and said, "we welcome your presence."

Jealousy engulfed Lu Shaoyang. When he met Ji Yan's cold and deep black eyes, his face turned slightly pale. He could not help but take a step back. Su Ling stood beside him, and the beautiful manicure she had just done dug into her palm. She clenched her teeth angrily as she thought, "Shen Hanxing, this woman! Damn it! Why would she appear at Lu Shaoyang and my engagement party? What does she want to do? Could it be that it was not enough for Shen Hanxing to marry Ji Yan, but she still had to be greedy and snatch Lu Shaoyang away? No, she couldn't! Lu Shaoyang was the man I had wanted to

marry for many years. I have liked Lu Shaoyang for so long, and I would never let Shen Hanxing snatch him away!”

A cold glint flashed across Su Ling’s eyes. She smiled and held onto Lu Shaoyang’s arm, saying, “Brother Shaoyang, other guests are waiting for us to entertain.”

Lu Shaoyang looked at Shen Hanxing and Ji Yan’s backs as they walked side by side. It was as if his heart had been torn into two pieces. He wanted to be the one standing next to Shen Hanxing, but... he lowered his head and met Su Ling’s affectionate gaze, Lu Shaoyang’s body stiffened, and the guilt in his heart grew stronger. His heart ached, guilt intertwined, causing his entire body to split into two pieces. On the one hand, he did not want to disappoint Su Ling, the fiancée who loved him deeply, but he could not let go of Shen Hanxing. He could only try to treat Su Ling better to make up for the guilt of not loving Su Ling. He lowered his eyes, and this time, he did not pull out the arm that Su Ling was hugging. He sighed and patted Su Ling’s head. “Let’s go and welcome the other guests.”

“Brother Shaoyang...” This was the first time Lu Shaoyang had shown Su Ling a gentle smile during this period. Su Ling was instantly pleasantly surprised and looked at Lu Shaoyang for a while, somewhat at a loss. Then, she grinned and touched the head that Lu Shaoyang had touched. She said coquettishly, “Brother Shaoyang, be gentle. Please don’t mess up my hair. The engagement party is such an important moment. I don’t want to lose my reputation.” The more she showed that she valued the engagement party, the more Lu Shaoyang felt like a knife was stabbing his heart. He felt sorry for Su Ling.

The wave of guilt almost drowned Lu Shaoyang. He smiled gently. “It’s okay. Even if your hair is messed up, you’re still the most beautiful girl.”

After being praised by Lu Shaoyang, Su Ling could not help but smile sweetly. Seeing that the two of them were getting along well, Lu Shaoyang’s mother could not help but smile. She raised her arm and nudged her husband. “Look, Ling Ling and our Shaoyang are so compatible. When we first got engaged, Shaoyang was reluctant, but now he’s smiling so happily!”

“I feel uneasy,” Lu Guo was wearing a suit, but he didn’t look happy. He looked at Lu Shaoyang and said, “you know our son’s temper. I feel like he’s going to cause some trouble. Tell me, why did you give birth to such a troublesome thing in the first place?”

“What nonsense are you talking about?” Madam Lu immediately frowned in dissatisfaction, “what’s wrong with Shaoyang? He has outstanding looks and good grades. Why do you say he is a troublesome son? My son is the most obedient child! In the beginning, he was mesmerized by that woman, Shen Hanxing. He was confused for some time, but isn’t he fine now? He has also agreed to get engaged to Su Ling.” As she said this, she smiled with pride, “Su Ling is a young lady from a big family. She has a well-behaved and obedient personality. I am delighted with this daughter-in-law.”

Lu Guo also nodded. Indeed, marrying Su Ling was much better than marrying a random girl like Shen Hanxing. Su Ling was the only daughter of the Su family, and the entire Su family was her dowry. When the two of them were officially married in the future, the Su family would belong to the Lu family, and the size of the Lu family would expand again.

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Chapter 343: Should Not Touch

Thinking of this, Lu Guo said delightfully, "I am now looking forward to our Shaoyang getting mature and supporting the Lu Corporation."

Meanwhile, Ji Yan's face turned gloomy once they were away from Lu Shaoyang. He was displeased. Shen Hanxing was amused and elbowed him, "Alright. Cheer up. Didn't I ignore him?"

"He still wants to talk to you alone? In his dreams!" Ji Yan's said coldly, "I think he wants to lose his tongue on his wedding day." His body faintly carried a murderous aura. That was not the first time Shen Hanxing had sensed such a cold aura from Ji Yan's body. Ji Yan was a cold assassin who had killed thousands of lives.

"Mr. Ji, this is a society ruled by law," Shen Hanxing quipped, and she seemed to have seen through her husband's thoughts, "besides, do you think I'm like Lu Shaoyang?"

"What's alike between her and Lu Shaoyang?" Ji Yan frowned as he thought.

"I'm not a maniac like him!" Shen Hanxing pursed her lips. Her gaze turned cold as she said, "Have you forgotten what he wanted to do to me in the Shen family's house?" Lu Shaoyang cooperated with Shen Yong. They wanted to take disgraceful videos and photos of her asleep. Shen Hanxing had never had the time to deal with Lu Shaoyang. Yet Lu Shaoyang felt she had let go of that matter. He was naive to think so.

"I've said that you don't have to do anything to Lu Shaoyang. I want to teach him a lesson myself," Shen Hanxing lifted her hand and took a glass of red wine from the waiter's tray. she said, "I have to make him understand that he shouldn't have thought he could do anything he wants to me."

Shen Hanxing's disgust and disdain were obvious. Ji Yan's anger subsided. He held Shen Hanxing's hand and kissed it. "Although you say you don't want my help, don't hesitate to let me know if you need me. I'll always be there for you."

"Shen Hanxing!" At this moment, a voice mixed with disgust suddenly sounded, "why are you here?" The person who spoke was dressed in a pink cheongsam, revealing her perfect figure. Her long brown hair was tied up on the top of her head, and her makeup was classic, making her temperament more gentle and beautiful.

Shen Hanxing knew this woman, Lu Shaoyang's younger sister, Lu Nuannuan. Lu Nuannuan was famous for liking her brother a lot and was very possessive of Lu Shaoyang. She had once treated Shen Hanxing as an enemy and was hostile toward Shen Hanxing. At this moment, her eyes stared at Shen Hanxing, filled with disdain and hatred.

"Why am I here? You have to ask your family. After all, your family sent me the invitation," Shen Hanxing smiled. Yet her gaze was cold, "Miss Lu, as a member of the Lu family, you don't even know what kind of distinguished guests your family invited?"

Shen Hanxing had met Lu Nuannuan a few times before, and every time Lu Nuannuan spoke to her arrogantly. She looked down on Shen Hanxing, who was born in the slums. To her, only the gentle Su Ling was worthy of her brother, Lu Shaoyang.

“What nonsense are you talking about? What right do you have to criticize my family?” Lu Nuannuan looked at Shen Hanxing angrily, “I’m warning you. You’d better behave yourself today. Today is my brother’s and Su Ling’s engagement ceremony. If you dare to cause trouble, don’t blame me for teaching you a lesson!”

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“What are you going to do?” Shen Hanxing found it funny. She crossed her arms and looked at Lu Nuannuan, “Miss Lu, I was invited here by the Lu family. You’d better watch your attitude. Otherwise, others might say the children of the Lu family aren’t brought up well.”

“You...” Lu Nuannuan was frustrated and at a loss for words, “don’t think that I don’t know why you’re here. Mr. Ji is also here today. Shen Hanxing, don’t force me to say things that would embarrass you! You’re not good enough for my brother. Stop dreaming about marrying him. My brother is not someone you can dream of marrying!”

“I dream of marrying Lu Shaoyang?” Shen Hanxing scoffed. She took out her phone and waved it at Lu Nuannuan, “do you want to see how your good brother keeps sending me messages like he’s a simp?”

Sometimes, Shen Hanxing could not understand what Lu Shaoyang was thinking. He was so touched by himself that he would send her some affectionate messages every few days. After sending the invitation to his engagement ceremony, he had messaged her more frequently. So, she blocked his phone number. However, he would still use another phone number to send her text messages. It was so annoying!

Chapter 344: Look Old

“I won’t believe your nonsense! Even if you used some seductive methods to bewitch my brother in the past, that’s all in the past! My brother is about to get engaged to Sister Su Ling!” Lu Nuannuan turned a deaf ear. She insisted, “Let me tell you. If you continue to go overboard, I’ll get someone to chase you out. A bitch is a bitch. Nothing can change that. Even if you manage to marry someone wealthy, you won’t be a princess. You are still the same girl from the slum.”

“Who did you say you want to chase out?” Ji Yan’s gaze turned cold, and he looked at Lu Nuannuan in an imposing manner. “Miss Lu, you sound like you are the boss here.”

Lu Nuannuan met Ji Yan’s deep gaze, and her face could not help but turn pale. Her body trembled. “I, I didn’t say anything wrong.” She lifted her head and clenched her fists. “Today is my brother and sister Su Ling’s engagement party. It’s a joyous occasion for the Lu family. We don’t welcome anyone with ill intentions to attend!”

“So we’re not welcome here,” Ji Yan’s lips curled coldly, and he said lightly, “The Lu family is so arrogant.” He did not say anything more to Lu Nuannuan. However, Lu Nuannuan felt an inexplicable sense of humiliation. Ji Yan’s tone was as if she was a piece of trash that was not even worth mentioning. She did not even have the right to speak to him.

“Nuannuan, what nonsense are you talking about!” Lu Guo, who had just walked over, immediately flared up when he heard this. He pulled Lu Nuannuan and scolded her, “Is this how Daddy and Mommy taught you? Is this how you treat your guests? Where is your upbringing?”

"I didn't say anything wrong! What kind of good intentions does this woman have to attend my brother's engagement ceremony?" Lu Nuannuan was sad and felt wronged, "Shen Hanxing is so shameless. She insisted on pestering my brother! She's already married, and my brother is getting engaged. She still wants to be his mistress. She is shameless!"

"Nuannuan, how can you talk like that?" Madam Lu quickly stopped Lu Nuannuan and patted her back lightly, "don't talk nonsense." However, her expression made it apparent that she agreed with Lu Nuannuan's words.

Lu Guo smiled apologetically. "Mr. Ji, I've spoiled Nuannuan too much. She isn't sensible. Please don't mind what she said. I'll make sure I punish her after this ceremony."

"Since you want to teach her a lesson, then teach her a lesson now," Ji Yan's eyes were cold. He said in a deep voice, "My wife and I will stand here and watch. We'll see how you teach your children. Don't worry about us. Please do whatever you need to do."

"I..." Lu Guo was stunned. He didn't expect Ji Yan to act so irrationally. He didn't know what to say. He was speaking so to ease the situation and brush Ji Yan off. Lu Guo wouldn't teach his daughter a lesson. He had never punished his daughter before, and it would be impossible for him to do it publicly.

"Miss Lu looks older than my wife," Ji Yan sneered, "since you said your daughter is still a kid. What about my wife? You protect your daughter, but don't forget my wife had me. Do you think you are better now to speak arrogantly to me?"

"Nonsense! I am not older than Shen Hanxing!" Lu Nuannuan was half a year younger than Shen Hanxing. She could not help but shout, "why do you have to punish me? I didn't do anything wrong! Shen Hanxing did those shameless things herself, yet you are afraid of us saying it?"

"So you're not as old as Mrs. Ji. Then you look quite old," Wei Ling came out of nowhere and said with a smile, "what's everyone talking about? It's so lively here."

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"Mr. Wei," Seeing Wei Ling, Ji Yan frowned. He was another troublemaker.

"I came with my cousin to join in the fun," Wei Ling saw Ji Yan and was instantly terrified. He shrank his neck and retreated to Shen Hanxing's side. He said softly, "I saw you and came over to say hello. My brother didn't come today." So, Mr. Ji shouldn't be so hostile toward him. Ji Yan should look for his brother. He was innocent!

Seeing Wei Ling's cowardly appearance, Shen Hanxing shook her head in amusement and elbowed Ji Yan. "Mr. Ji."

Ji Yan smacked his lips and looked at her in dissatisfaction.

Lu Nuannuan's face turned pale, and she almost exploded in embarrassment. No woman could bear it when others told them they looked old. However, Wei Ling did not notice it and shouted confidently, "Where did you come from, ugly woman? How dare you bully Mrs. Ji? It looks like no one has taught you a lesson for being rude!"

Chapter 345: Don't Provoke My Husband

Wei Ling, who Shen Hanxing had beaten up, thought anyone who Shen Hanxing had beaten up would not dare to go against Shen Hanxing, such as himself. After all, it was painful when Shen Hanxing beat him! Moreover, Shen Hanxing was merciless. With just a few words, his brother, who loved him very much, chased after him all over the courtyard and beat him up. The loving brotherly relationship instantly broke apart because of her.

Wei Ling muttered, "Although you are ugly, your courage is commendable."

Lu Nuannuan was so frustrated.

"Mr. Wei, you must be joking," Lu Guo had to maintain his smiling face until his face was almost stiff. He could not afford to offend any of the people in the ceremony, so he could only flatter them carefully. However, Ji Yan had no intention of letting him go. His deep eyes were like the calm and dangerous surface of the sea. He said calmly, "Mr. Lu, don't waste your time. I'm still waiting to see the Lu family's upbringing."

Lu Guo suddenly froze. Madam Lu carefully interrupted, "Mr. Ji, this isn't appropriate. Don't you think so? After all, Nuannuan did not mean what she said..."

"If that's the case, shouldn't she shut her mouth?" Wei Ling took the fruit from somewhere. He chewed on it as he said, "since we can say whatever we want, can I continue to say that Lu Nuannuan is ugly and old?"

Lu Guo held back his anger. "Mr. Wei, that's not what we meant." He tried his best to control his emotions. He elbowed at Lu Nuannuan and said in a deep voice, "Nuannuan, hurry up and apologize to Mrs. Ji. Quick!"

"No! Why should I apologize to Shen Hanxing?" Lu Nuannuan looked at her father in disbelief and said unwillingly, "I'm telling the truth. I'm not apologizing!" Tears rolled in her eyes. She shook off Lu Guo's hand and said, "I'm your daughter. How can you be biased towards outsiders? Dad, could it be that Shen Hanxing has also seduced you?"

"Nuannuan, what nonsense are you talking about!" Madam Lu quickly tried to persuade her, "your Daddy is doing this for your good. Be a good girl and apologize obediently."

"Mom, even you are on Shen Hanxing's side!" Lu Nuannuan couldn't believe it. No one was on her side, and everyone was asking her to apologize to Shen Hanxing. Shen Hanxing must be laughing at her secretly. Anger and jealousy engulfed her. Lu Nuannuan's eyes were red. She suddenly reached out and pushed Shen Hanxing hard. "I'm not going to apologize to you. Don't even think about it! Go to hell! I wish you were dead!"

Behind Shen Hanxing was the small fountain in the banquet hall. They were standing at the edge of the fountain. Lu Nuannuan aimed at the fountain's location and wanted to push Shen Hanxing into the water. This time, Lu Shaoyang and Su Ling got engaged to publicize the marriage between the Lu Corporation and the Su family. The Lu family had invited many media outlets over. These media cameras would take pictures of Shen Hanxing's miserable appearance when she fell into the water and post them online. Everyone would criticize Shen Hanxing.

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A malicious glint flashed across Lu Nuannuan's eyes. She used almost all of her strength. Shen Hanxing's embarrassing appearance appeared in her mind, and she became even more excited.

Shen Hanxing sensed something was wrong when Lu Nuannuan's expression changed. Seeing this, she quickly dodged to avoid Lu Nuannuan's movements. However, Ji Yan's movements were faster than hers. His large palm quickly wrapped around Shen Hanxing's waist. He swirled her and brought her closer to him. Then, he stretched out his long legs and kicked Lu Nuannuan's abdomen without hesitation. At the same time, his bone-chilling voice rang out, "You're courting death!"

"Ah!" As Lu Nuannuan screamed, she fell into the fountain, splashing a large amount of water.

"Nuannuan!" Madam Lu was worried. She pounced over and cried out, "are you alright?"

"Mr. Ji, please calm down," Lu Guo's fingers were trembling as he continued, "I apologize on behalf of Nuannuan to you and Mrs. Ji. She knows her mistake."

Ji Yan's kick was not aimed at Lu Nuannuan but the reputation of the Lu and Su families!

"Are you alright?" Ji Yan's expression was as calm as water. His gaze landed on Shen Hanxing. Seeing her shake her head, he heaved a sigh of relief. However, the coldness in his eye did not dissipate at all. He walked to the fountain with a murderous aura as he pushed Madam Lu away.

"Mr. Ji, what else do you want to do?" Madam Lu screamed and wanted to go to her daughter.

"Madam Lu," Shen Hanxing stopped in front of Madam Lu with a faint smile and warned, "my husband is furious now. I advise you to be sensible and not provoke him."

"Shen Hanxing, don't go too far!" Madam Lu had lived a wealthy life. She could not fight against Shen Hanxing. She tried to break through several times but was stopped by Shen Hanxing. She could only look at her daughter anxiously.

Chapter 346: How Dare You?

Lu Nuannuan struggled to stand up in the fountain. Just as she was about to say something, she felt a strong force on her shoulder. In the midst of the pain, she fell into the water again and took a big gulp of the fountain water.

That was not all... When Lu Nuannuan tried to stand up, Ji Yan would kick her again without hesitation. She fell down again and again. Ji Yan's expression was cold when he looked at Lu Nuannuan who was struggling in vain in the fountain. He was filled with killing intent. He was watching Lu Nuannuan as if he was looking at an inanimate object, torturing her over and over again.

"What do you want?" Lu Nuannuan broke down completely. She threw herself into the fountain and cried, "Enough! I know I'm wrong, I'm wrong!"

"If you dare to attack my wife, you must be prepared to face the consequences." Ji Yan's eyes were cold and bloodshot. He continued, "Do you think that this little punishment is enough?"

Lu Nuannuan was in a terrible state. She choked and felt suffocated again and again. It was painful all over her body. At that moment, as she faced Ji Yan's cold face, her heart was filled with fear. She trembled as she knew that Ji Yan wanted to kill her! He really wanted to kill her! No one could stop Ji Yan, not even her parents... Lu Nuannuan finally became so afraid when she cried and begged, "I was wrong. Please let me go. I'm sorry, I won't do it anymore... I beg you..."

"Mr. Ji." At this moment, Shen Hanxing stepped forward and held Ji Yan's hand. She shook her head slightly. The coldness in Ji Yan's eyes had yet to disappear.

"Mr. Ji, you're going too far!" Lu Guo felt sorry for his daughter, but he also felt a little embarrassed. He couldn't help but say angrily, "This is the engagement party of the Lu and Su families. You're not respecting us!"

"Respect? Do you think you're worthy?" Ji Yan smirked condescendingly. "If I want to, I can ruin your engagement party."

When the hotel manager heard the commotion, he rushed over. When he saw the chaotic scene, he could only smile apologetically. "Hey, what's going on? Everyone, calm down, calm down..." When he saw Ji Yan standing by the fountain, his expression changed. He rushed over and said, "Mr. Ji, why didn't you tell us that you'll be here? Who... who is this dumb person who dares to provoke Mr. Ji?"

Ji Yan looked at the hotel manager with a cold expression. "Since when did Wan Jin become a mess? Cancel this engagement party immediately!"

"Mr. Ji, aren't you being too much of a bully?" Mrs. Lu couldn't help but interrupt. If the engagement party was canceled, wouldn't the Lu and Su families become the joke of the upper-class society? This couldn't happen! Mrs. Lu clenched her hands and said angrily, "Nuannuan is a child who hasn't grown up. Why do you have to be so calculative with her? Moreover, do you think the Ji family can control everything in S City?"

"I don't know if I can control everything in S City, but it's a piece of cake to deal with the Lu family." Ji Yan looked at Mrs. Lu with disdain. He said coldly, "What are you waiting for? Chase all the irrelevant people out!"

"Okay!" The hotel manager answered without hesitation. Although he was being polite, he stood very firmly as he said, "I'm sorry, Mrs. Lu. I'm afraid that Wan Jin cannot serve you anymore. Please leave as soon as possible."

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"No! Is this the service attitude of Wan Jin?" Mrs. Lu's face twisted and she shouted sharply, "We booked the venue in advance and paid for it. Wan Jin is breaking the contract. I want to file a complaint against you!"

"I'm sorry. It was you who angered our VIP guest first. We can't serve you anymore. We won't serve anyone from the Lu family in the future." The hotel manager had an awkward smile on his face, his tone was neither servile nor overbearing. "The deposit you paid will be refunded in double. Now, please leave."

Lu Guo's face was pale. He couldn't understand. Today was supposed to be a joyous occasion. How did it turn out like this in the blink of an eye? If they were to leave like this, the reputation of the Lu and Su families would be ruined. How would he be able to establish himself in City S in the future? The Lu family would become a complete joke.

In order to celebrate the marriage between the Lu and Su families, Lu Guo had sent out invitations and invited so many media companies. He could not imagine how the media would report it... How would outsiders view the Lu Family? No, that could not happen for sure!

Chapter 347: Second Brother, You're Great

Lu Guo's lips trembled. He bent down without caring much about his ego and said, "Mr. Ji, you're a magnanimous man. Please forgive Nuannuan. We are at fault this time..."

"Dad!" Lu Nuannuan widened her eyes in disbelief. She stood in the fountain drenched. She felt a chill rise from the soles of her feet, all the way to the bottom of her heart. Why? Why was her father apologizing to the culprit who had bullied and humiliated her?

Mrs. Lu stopped her, "Nuannuan, stop it. Apologize to Mr. Ji and Mrs. Ji properly. Listen to me!", she emphasized.

"No! Why should I apologize to her!" Lu Nuannuan's tears kept falling. She felt a mixed feelings of grievance and anger. She cried, "I will never apologize to her. I will never apologize to her!" As she said that, she climbed out of the fountain, grabbed her wet dress, and ran away.

"Mr. Ji, it's my fault for not teaching my daughter well. Please..." Lu Guo smiled apologetically. "You are a generous man, please don't take heart."

"Mrs. Ji, it's all our fault for spoiling Nuannuan." Seeing that Ji Yan was unmoved, Mrs. Lu approached Shen Hanxing. She begged, "It's Nuannuan's fault for not being sensible. I'm so sorry. You didn't get harmed anyway this time. Can you please forgive Nuannuan?"

Shen Hanxing's gaze fell on Mrs. Lu and she sneered. Was she supposed to forgive Nuannuan just because she wasn't harmed? How would that be reasonable?

"Hey, what's going on?" At this moment, a voice sounded. Lu Feng walked over with a face full of surprise and looked at the chaos. He couldn't help but exclaim, "Wait... Why is there such a big mess? Brother, sister-in-law, the engagement party is about to start. What are you guys doing?"

Lu Guo clenched his fists. He was extremely reluctant to let Lu Feng see him in such a sorry state. Soon, someone beside explained to Lu Feng about the incident. Lu Feng put on a smile on his face and stepped forward. He told Shen Hanxing, "Mrs. Ji, I'm really sorry. The younger generation in our family is not sensible. On behalf of the Lu family, I apologize to you. Look, today is Shaoyang's engagement party. It's his big day..." He rubbed his hands and said with a smile, "It's so unfortunate to create such a scene on a joyful day. Both of you are guests here to attend the engagement party. How about this? Later, I'll ask Nuannuan to apologize to you. Let's forget about this. Is it okay?" After saying that, he looked at Lu Guo and Mrs. Lu. He asked, "Brother, sister-in-law, what do you think?"

“What do I think? I don’t think so.” Lu Guo mocked him before continuing sarcastically, “You’re just a manager of the Lu Corporation. How could you represent the Lu Family? Get lost. Don’t annoy Mr. and Mrs. Ji. Don’t create more troubles!” As the CEO of the Lu Corporation, he couldn’t even convince Ji Yan. How could Lu Feng think that he could convince Ji Yan and Shen Hanxing?

“Brother, I’m just trying to help.” The smile on Lu Feng’s face faded slightly as he calmly said, “Even if you don’t appreciate my kindness, there’s no need to be sarcastic.”

“I’m asking you to see your position and not embarrass yourself here,” Lu Guo sneered. He continued bluntly, “Do you think you’re a big shot? I wish you could help, but please take a good look at yourself. Could you do it?”

“What if I can?” Lu Feng’s face turned cold. He seem to be irritated by Lu Guo’s words as he responded, “I haven’t done anything yet. How can you be sure?”

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“If you can, I’ll let you go to the R&D Department!” Lu Guo became so angry and promised impulsively, “I shall see how you will convince Mr. and Mrs. Ji!”

“It’s a deal!” Lu Feng sneered and said, “Mr. Ji, Mrs. Ji, can we have a few words?”

“It’s alright. I think you’re much tolerable than the others,” Shen Hanxing smirked and said indifferently. “As Mr. Lu Feng said, let’s just forget about it.” Ji Yan would not cling onto the matter since Shen Hanxing had decided to let it go. It was settled so easily. Mrs. Lu was taken aback, whereas Lu Guo’s face turned even gloomier.

Although they managed to keep the Lu family’s reputation, he was really upset. After a long while, he gritted his teeth and muttered, “Second brother, you’re great!”

Chapter 348: Are You Out of Your Mind?

Lu Feng smiled and said, “Brother, don’t forget your promise.” As he said that, he exchanged a look with Shen Hanxing.

The conflict was temporarily settled. No matter what the crowd was thinking, the banquet hall returned to its original lively state. After receiving the guests, Lu Shaoyang brought Su Ling into the banquet hall. He searched everywhere to look for Shen Hanxing. When he finally saw her, his eyes instantly lit up. He said a few words to Su Ling before striding toward Shen Hanxing. Su Ling was left standing alone with a face full of unwillingness.

“Hanxing, can I talk to you alone?” Lu Shaoyang looked at Ji Yan with fear as he said that. Then, he continued with a pleading look in his eyes, “Can you give me a few minutes, please?”

Ji Yan’s gaze was as sharp as a knife. He gave out an icy cold aura.

“We have nothing to talk about.” Shen Hanxing was unmoved. She said indifferently, “Today is your engagement party. Do not provoke me.” Otherwise, she might leave fingerprints on Lu Shaoyang’s face at his engagement party.

When Shen Hanxing said this, Lu Shaoyang thought of something and turned it into a painful expression. He said with a struggling voice, "Hanxing... I had no choice. Don't blame me..."

Shen Hanxing was confused. She looked at Lu Shaoyang and asked seriously, "Are you out of your mind?" She was clearly warning him not to bother her. How could he not get such a simple statement?

"Mr. Lu, you've already engaged. Please don't think about my wife anymore." Ji Yan's dark eyes were full of warning. "Otherwise, don't blame me for being rude." He had already warned Lu Shaoyang. Ji Yan would not hesitate to teach Lu Shaoyang a lesson if he continued doing that. He would do that before Shen Hanxing could make a move.

"Mr. Ji, you can't force things," Lu Shaoyang mustered up his courage and said. With a pale face, he looked Ji Yan in the eye and continued, "I know you have money and power, but you can't exchange these for true love! It won't last long if you snatch it from someone else. Do you think you can get a true love with your money and power?" There was a hint of empathy in his eyes. "People like you don't know what love is. People like you can never get true love!"

Ji Yan was silent. He felt that Shen Hanxing was right. Lu Shaoyang was indeed mentally ill. They were so in love, so what was Lu Shaoyang talking about?

"Hanxing, I know the purpose of your visit today. I believe we share the same feelings." Lu Shaoyang looked at Shen Hanxing with a pleading look in his eyes. "Can we have a few words?" He reckoned that Shen Hanxing did not dare to speak the truth with Ji Yan around. Ji Yan's power was monstrous. He could be killed by Ji Yan so easily, but it did not matter. He was willing to stand up for Shen Hanxing. He was willing to give up everything!

Lu Shaoyang's eyes were lit up with a burning light as if he was anticipating something. Because of his excitement, his face was flushed. Shen Hanxing was suddenly curious about what he wanted to say. She thought for a moment and nodded. "Alright, then let's talk outside." After saying that, before she got up and left, she comforted Ji Yan who had an ugly expression. Shen Hanxing planted a gentle kiss on Ji Yan's cheek and said, "I'll be right back."

Although Ji Yan was not very pleased, he was comforted by Shen Hanxing's kiss. He nodded and said, "Okay."

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"Hanxing!" Just as he left the banquet hall, Lu Shaoyang pounced on Shen Hanxing without hesitation and hugged her. "I know how you feel. I will not let you down this time!"

"If you want to talk, then talk. Stay away from me!" Shen Hanxing frowned and distanced herself from Lu Shaoyang at once. She said coldly, "Do you think I'm unaware of your motives?"

"Hanxing, are you still angry with me? Are you jealous?" Lu Shaoyang felt his conscience and said. He gave her a sweet look. "Hanxing, I love you the most. I'm marrying Su Ling because I'm forced by my family." After a pause, he seemed to have made up his mind and said solemnly, "Hanxing, let's run away together!"

Shen Hanxing was full of confusion. Lu Shaoyang was such a weirdo. She could not help but ask, "Why on earth do you think I would run away together with you?"

Chapter 349: Let's Run Away and Be Together

"Hanxing, can you stop saying that? I know you're just saying these out of anger. I would still get upset." Lu Shaoyang felt good about himself. He looked at Shen Hanxing affectionately and said, "Do you know that my heart almost shatters every time I hear you say that?"

"Then do you know that I'm about to vomit?" Shen Hanxing could not bear it anymore. "Is there something wrong with your brain? Who gave you the courage to be so narcissistic? Why do you think that I like you?"

"Didn't you come to the engagement party because you like me?" Lu Shaoyang looked hurt as he tried to hold Shen Hanxing's hand. "Let's not throw a tantrum, okay? We're running out of time. Let's not waste it on meaningless arguments, okay?"

"I told you to stay away from me!" Shen Hanxing's eyes turned cold. She could not bear it any longer. She grabbed Lu Shaoyang's wrist and twisted it hard. "Can you just talk properly? If you touch me again, I'll rip your arm off!"

Lu Shaoyang could not help but let out a cry of pain. He was pressed against the wall with his face on the ice-cold tiles. He cooled down in an instant and suddenly questioned whether Shen Hanxing liked him. If she did, why would she treat him so rudely? No, Hanxing liked him for sure. If she didn't, why would she come here? Hanxing must be just angry and jealous right now...

"Hanxing, I really had no choice but to get engaged to Su Ling, but I've always loved you." Lu Shaoyang was immersed in his own imagination. He said with an affectionate tone, "Hanxing, I know you still like me, that's why you're here. Let's get away together, okay? Let's leave this place. We can either go abroad or to another city, wherever it is. We'll stay together... There's no Ji Yan, no Su Ling, and no family burden. Just the two of us, okay?"

"Are you crazy?" Shen Hanxing sneered. "Are you worthy? Is the Lu family unable to afford a mirror? Take a good look at yourself. How dare you talk about eloping with me? Forget about grandma and the relatives here. Let's just talk about you," Shen Hanxing sneered. Her tone was full of ridicule and disdain. "Think about the difference between you and Ji Yan. In terms of your figure, looks, wealth, status, and aura, just which part of you can compare to Ji Yan? Anyone with brains would choose Ji Yan over you. Do you think I'm an idiot? Why would I ever give up such a perfect husband like Ji Yan and be with a bastard like you?"

Shen Hanxing felt that she wasted time talking to Lu Shaoyang. She let go of her hand and turned around indifferently. "Stop dreaming. I have no feelings for you at all."

Lu Shaoyang looked at Shen Hanxing in disbelief and asked, "Don't you like me at all?"

In response, Lu Shaoyang only got to see Shen Hanxing's cold back view.

"Then why are you here?" Lu Shaoyang couldn't hold himself back. He tried to pull Shen Hanxing back as he said in despair, "If you don't like me, why did you come to my engagement party? You can't bear to part with me and watch me get engaged to someone else, right?"

No matter how hard he was beaten, he would never learn. Shen Hanxing looked at Lu Shaoyang and finally lost control. Raising her head, she bent her knees and kicked against Lu Shaoyang's stomach.

"Ouch!" Lu Shaoyang retched with his face full of pain. This wasn't the end. Shen Hanxing grabbed his tie and pulled him forward, directly throwing him on his back. She finished it off with a clean move. Lu Shaoyang fell and fainted on the ground for a moment. Shen Hanxing's beautiful face appeared in front of him after a while. With her red lips curved slightly, her eyes were filled with chilling coldness. "I told you not to touch me. Are you deaf?" In her high heels, she stepped on Lu Shaoyang's stomach without hesitation.

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Lu Shaoyang screamed in pain. Like a fish stranded on the shore, he bounced weakly and collapsed on the ground.

"Do you want to know why I'm here?" Shen Hanxing's eyes were cold. She said calmly, "Lu Shaoyang, do you think I have lost my memory? How dare you have evil thoughts towards me? You are a despicable person who secretly colluded with Shen Yong. Even if I am blind and deaf, I will never like you. I came to see how ridiculous you are. I also came to tell you..."

Chapter 350: Did I Do Something Wrong?

Shen Hanxing paused for a moment. The smile on her face widened. Her bright eyes were shining with extreme coldness as she said, "Just wait, my revenge is about to begin..."

The sound of Shen Hanxing's footsteps gradually faded away. Lu Shaoyang was lying on the ground and staring blankly at the white ceiling. He could not understand. How could things progress to this point? Shen Hanxing looked at him with eyes full of coldness. There was neither love nor hate. He seemed to be just an insignificant and annoying bug that she would easily fan off.

Lu Shaoyang covered his eyes, clenched his fists, and punched the ground hard. He groaned and let out a sound like the roar of a trapped beast. Seeing Shen Hanxing return to the banquet hall, Su Ling came out to check on the situation. She became panicked when she saw this scene and hurriedly helped Lu Shaoyang up. "Brother Shaoyang, what happened to you? Why are you lying here? What did Shen Hanxing do to you?" She could not help but clench her teeth as she looked around. Could it be that Shen Hanxing called someone over to beat up Lu Shaoyang? Su Ling had never seen Shen Hanxing acting ruthlessly, so she had never thought that Lu Shaoyang was beaten up by Shen Hanxing.

"Su Ling, do you think I was wrong?" Lu Shaoyang went a little crazy. He gripped Su Ling's wrist tightly and asked, "Do you think I did something wrong?"

"Brother Shaoyang, what are you talking about?" Su Ling had been pampered since she was young. She could not help but cry out in pain. She said in a low voice, "Brother Shaoyang, you're hurting me so much. Be gentle. I don't know what you're talking about."

"Should I not compromise and agree with my parents?" Lu Shaoyang smiled miserably. He clutched his chest in pain and continued, "My heart hurts so much. Su Ling, I feel terribly bad..." He began thinking what if he had not promised his parents to hold the engagement party? He should not have listened to

his parents and joined the Su family through marriage. That must be the case. He wouldn't believe that Shen Hanxing did not like him anymore. How could Shen Hanxing not like him? When she was young, she had always followed behind him and called him Brother Shaoyang. She even said that she would be his bride when she grew up... Hanxing would not hate him. If she hated him, she would not have come to the engagement party. She must be so angry about his engagement, so she said so many hurtful words.

Lu Shaoyang's painful mood was somewhat relieved. His exhausted body seemed to have been revived again. He forced himself to sit up and said, "I know what I have to do. Alright!" As he said that, Lu Shaoyang looked at Su Ling whose eyes went teary. He gave her a tight hug. "Su Ling, forgive me."

Lu Shaoyang had a pleasant scent on him. Su Ling felt uneasy because of Lu Shaoyang's words initially. When Lu Shaoyang took the initiative to hug her, the uneasiness in her heart instantly dissipated. She suddenly felt embarrassed. She thought that Lu Shaoyang was apologizing for hurting her. Biting her lips, she answered shyly, "Brother Shaoyang, no worries. We will be a family soon. You don't have to be so polite with me." As she spoke, she wanted to reach out and grab Lu Shaoyang's hand. Unfortunately, Lu Shaoyang ignored the sweet look on Su Ling's face. Immersed in his own thoughts, he suddenly stood up and left.

"Brother Shaoyang, wait for me!" Su Ling was shy and helpless. She chased after Lu Shaoyang and grabbed his hand. "I'm wearing high heels. I can't walk fast."

Lu Shaoyang looked at Su Ling and thought about his upcoming plan. He began to feel guilty and nodded. "Okay, I'll go slower."

Shen Hanxing returned to the banquet hall. She spotted Ji Yan instantly. He was dressed in a suit with a cold expression on his face. He was in the midst of a conversation among a group of people.

Ji Yan noticed Shen Hanxing's gaze and instantly looked over. When he saw Shen Hanxing, his expression immediately became gentle. Shen Hanxing waved at Ji Yan and indicated that she was heading to a quieter place. Then, she turned around and left with a faint smile. Ji Yan subconsciously wanted to chase after Shen Hanxing, but he was distracted by the people around him and couldn't excuse himself right away.

Shen Hanxing carefully avoided the crowd and headed to a quiet corner for a break. When she turned around, a nice fragrance came to her nose as she suddenly bumped into a soft body.

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"Ah, I'm sorry." The woman was tall and slender. She had wavy hair, fiery red lips, and a sexy figure. When she realized that she had bumped into someone else, the woman apologized politely, "I was on the phone with my boyfriend. I didn't know where I was going. I'm sorry, I didn't hurt you, did I?"