

FMH Marriage 1031

Chapter 1031: Indeed My Lucky Star!

Ning Xi lay on the bed and lightly patted the little bun's back. "Days like this make me feel so contented! Wait until the day I retire. I want to find a place with an enchanting scenery like this to live in hiding!"

"You sure? There's no electricity or Wi-Fi here."

"Why would I need those for? I've got enough with you and Little Treasure!"

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Ning Xi was chatting idly with Lu Tingxiao when she suddenly heard knocking sounds from the wall behind her.

Then, they heard Lu Jingli indistinct voice from the neighboring room, "Excuse me, the both of you, it's not very soundproof here. Can you stop displaying your affection in the middle of the night? I'm going to call the police if you two continue like this!"

Ning Xi responded, "Ah, I'm so sorry, I almost forgot that you guys were still here!"

In the neighboring room, Lu Jingli and Jiang Muye rolled their eyes.

Lu Jingli angrily bit down on his pillow and then hugged the blanket to roll around on the bed. "Ah! I really want to be in love! Why hasn't that open-minded, extraordinary, flawlessly beautiful, light as a bird, elegantly unpredictable, few in words yet fragrant in aura, graceful as a swan, and pretty much supernatural girl appeared yet?!"

Jiang Muye moved further away from him in disdain.

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The next morning, Song Jin cooked some light porridge, complemented by some side dishes and a few salted duck eggs.

It was probably because the ingredients were of good quality, the food tasted very fresh and tasty. Lu Jingli had even eaten up to five big bowls of porridge.

"Elder Song, I've already gotten someone to arrange the accommodation for you. Whenever it's convenient for you, I'll arrange for someone to pick you up," said Lu Tingxiao.

Song Jin just answered, "Tomorrow then, I'll pack up today."

"Okay."

The two finished chatting, then Song Jin suddenly turned to Ning Xi who was feeding the rabbit with cabbages. "Girl."

“Yes! Elder Song, are you looking for me?” Ning Xi answered.

“That thing you mentioned, I’ll agree,” Song Jin contemplated for a while, then informed her.

“Ah...?” Ning Xi thought that Song Jin wanted to tell her about Little Treasure’s arrangements. She was shocked by what she had heard and it took a while for it to sink in. Her face was instantly in disbelief. “Are...are you talking about collaborating with Spirit Studio? You agree to it?!”

“Mmm.” Song Jin nodded, then looked at the little bun and said, “As a thank you for letting me take in such a good apprentice!”

Ning Xi almost cried tears of joy as she hugged the little bun. “Oh! Little bun! You’re indeed my lucky star!”

The little bun pursed his lips shyly from being complimented by Mommy.

After a while, Ning Xi let herself calm down then cleared her throat to ask, “Elder Song, umm... even though I really hope to invite you to collaborate with us, of course, more importantly, I hope that it is out of your own sincere intentions!”

When he heard the girl’s words, Song Jin understood what she meant. “I’ve read the information you left at my door. The designer who came with you before this...what’s his name again?”

“Gong Shangze!”

“Mmm, that boy’s designs are not too shabby. He did not let my reputation down!”

When she learned that Song Jin validated Spirit’s capability, Ning Xi felt assured. “Thank you for your appreciation, Elder Song, we’ll definitely not let you down!”

Chapter 1032: Someone Wants To Move In?

When they returned, Ning Xi immediately went to the studio to announce the good news.

“What? Elder Song agreed!?” Han Momo was so excited she immediately jumped up from her seat. “Sis Xi, you’re amazing!”

Qiao Weilan was still fretting about selecting a national artist and did not expect Ning Xi to bring such good news. She felt relieved and the awe in her heart increased a tad bit more.

Who would have thought that she could really do it!?

“Sis Xi, Sis Xi! How did you do it?”

“Boss, you managed to get Elder Song?” Gong Shangze heard the commotion outside and walked over.

“Yes, didn’t we leave our studio information outside Elder Song’s door before this? Elder Song said he skimmed through it and even praised you saying that your designs were not bad and did not dishonor his reputation!”

Gong Shangze was so emotional that his eyes reddened. “Boss! Are you telling the truth?”

“Of course I am! Why would I lie to you? Keep up the good work! But most importantly, take good care of your health. After all, one’s body is the most revolutionary capital. It’s not healthy for you to stay at home all day and not exercise!” Ning Xi said worriedly.

“I know! I know, Boss! Boss, I’ll work hard to design and also work hard to get fit! Thank you! Thank you, Boss!” Gong Shangze took a deep bow.

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At the same time, at Platinum Palace.

“Master, Madam!” When they saw that Yan Ruyi and Lu Chongshan had suddenly come to visit, the old butler quickly went up to greet them.

Yan Ruyi saw that not too far away, people were busy walking in and out, so she asked with suspicion, “What’s happening?”

“The Master has ordered to tidy up that building beside the greenhouse. Someone is moving in,” said the butler honestly.

“Someone is moving in...?” Yan Ruyi’s expression changed when she heard this.

Could it be that woman who wants to move in?

Yan Ruyi looked at Lu Chongshan. He had obviously shared the same thought. Were they finally moving on to the next level?

When she saw her son from afar, Yan Ruyi quickly called out, “Tingxiao!”

When Lu Tingxiao, who was instructing the servants, heard his mother’s voice, he walked over. “Mother, Father, can I help you?”

Yan Ruyi shot a look at her son. “Can’t I come to see you and Little Treasure for no reason? What are you doing? Why are you suddenly tidying up the small building? Are you preparing to let Ning Xi move in?”

Lu Chongshan looked unhappy too. “Even if the two of you are a couple now, it’s a bit too much to live together before getting married.”

Lu Tingxiao looked at his parents without any expression. “Song Jin.”

“What? Song today [1], Song tomorrow?” Yan Ruyi did not understand her son.

“The person who’s moving in is Song Jin, Elder Song.”

“What? You mean that national artist, Master Song Jin?” Lu Chongshan immediately asked in surprise.

“Mmm.”

“Isn’t Master Song living alone in Taoyuan Village? In fact, he won’t even meet outsiders! Why would he come and stay here?” Lu Chongshan thought his son’s lie was a little too absurd.

“Song Jin has taken Little Treasure in as his apprentice. To ease the lessons, he agreed to move here.”

When he finished, Lu Chongshan and Yan Ruyi were both dumbfounded.

Lu Chongshan was shocked. “What are you saying? Song Jin took Little Treasure in as an apprentice? When did this happen?”

Yan Ruyi naturally knew who Song Jin was too. She quickly said, “You damned child, can’t you just say everything clearly at once? We have to ask you before you’ll say a few more words! What actually happened? Explain properly!”

Translator’s Thoughts

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[1] ‘矜’ (jin) in 宋矜 (Song Jin) is phonetically similar to ‘今’ (jin), which means ‘today’.

Thus, when Yan Ruyi heard Song Jin, she thought she heard Song ‘today’.

Chapter 1033: Indirectly Because of Ning Xi

“How did you get Song Jin?” Lu Chongshan asked, not able to help but be a little emotional.

If they could get Song Jin to uncover Little Treasure’s potential, that was an amazing thing that money could not buy!

Most importantly, Song Jin could not be hired with just money! So, he was quite curious how his son had done it.

“It was not I who did it.” Lu Tingxiao remained a man of few words.

Lu Chongshan was about to get annoyed at his son’s temper, then he caught Lu Jingli humming and walking past the door from the corner of his eye. He quickly called for him, “Jingli, come here! I have something to ask you!”

When Lu Jingli heard his father call, he walked over hesitantly but stood far away. “Father...what do you want to do? I won’t get married even if it kills me!”

Yan Ruyi shot her son an annoyed look. “Your father and I just wanted to ask you how Little Treasure became Song Jin’s apprentice. What do you know about this?”

“I was there when Little Treasure served tea to his master! What’s up?” Lu Jingli nodded.

“Really? Quick! Quickly come over and tell us what happened! I’ll be angered to death talking to your brother!” Yan Ruyi quickly tugged at Lu Jingli to ask.

Lu Jingli scratched his head. “Well, it was because Sister-in-law wanted to invite Song Jin for her studio’s line next season. She could not get him after repeated visits, but on the fourth day, which was yesterday, it was coincidentally a Saturday and because the village is so beautiful, she decided to bring Little Treasure along for a spring outing. Brother had work that day, so he couldn’t make it. Jiang Muye and I followed along to enjoy while being hard laborers and Sister-in-law caught a rabbit too. Initially, she said that we were going to grill it to eat but Little Treasure hugged it saying he liked it or something, so it went to Little Treasure. Sigh, wouldn’t it be better to grill it? That rabbit was so fat, it would’ve been so yummy...”

Lu Chongshan’s veins were bulging at this point. “Get to the point!”

Yan Ruyi held her forehead helplessly. One son cherished his words like gold while the other was a chatterbox. Could these two punks just meet in the middle?

“Oh...” Lu Jingli recalled the rabbit, then continued, “Then, halfway through, it rained. We took shelter at Elder Song’s place where Little Treasure and Elder Song had some interaction. He probably found out about Little Treasure’s talent for the arts, so he took the initiative and suggested an apprenticeship...enough?”

Yan Ruyi approved, “Enough!”

By the time she had finished listening to Lu Jingli’s explanation, Yan Ruyi and Lu Chongshan were amazed. The two of them did not think that Little Treasure’s apprenticeship with Song Jin was an indirect result of Ning Xi!

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At night, after returning to the old residence, Yan Ruyi was still thinking about it.

Seeing Yan Ruyi being so absent-minded, Lu Chongshan asked, “What are you thinking about?”

“I’m thinking about Little Treasure’s apprenticeship! It was actually because of that woman!” mumbled Yan Ruyi.

Lu Chongshan frowned. “What do you mean because of that woman? Isn’t it just a coincidence? It’s because our Little Treasure is talented!”

Yan Ruyi shook her head. “That’s too much of coincidence... Don’t you think that ever since that woman appeared, our family has started to progress towards a better direction!? Tingxiao’s changes aside, especially Little Treasure...his body and spirits are becoming increasingly better, and he is slowly becoming a normal person...”

“No! Why would he be the same as a normal person? Our Little Treasure is even smarter than Lu Tingxiao back in the days! Now, Little Treasure even managed to invite the impossible-to-be-invited Song Jin to be his teacher. I heard that Little Treasure’s martial arts teacher is a very amazing person too!”

Chapter 1034: Just Getting Soy Sauce

When Yan Ruyi said this, she paused and looked at her husband. “Could all of this just be a coincidence? For the past five years, Tingxiao’s and Little Treasure’s situation did not have any signs of changes, yet it all began to shift when this woman appeared!”

Lu Chongshan pinched the space between his brows when he heard this. “What are you trying to say?”

“I thought about the calculation that Master Xuan Jing had done for Ning Xi’s date of birth! Good fortune beyond comparison, a prospering husband, and a flourishing family, a future with many children and plenty of luck! Now, it is really coming true as predicted!” Yan Ruyi was slightly emotional as she said this.

Lu Chongshan was stunned. “I told you not to believe in these things anymore!”

Even though he said that, Lu Chongshan remained deep in thought...

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At night, Ning Xi invited Gong Shangze, Han Momo, and Qiao Weilan for dinner to celebrate.

When she returned to the apartment, Ning Xi first showered, then dug up a set of velvet bunny pajamas to wear in accordance to her good mood before crossing her legs to sit on the bed and do some accounting.

The studio’s profits had been looking positive recently, the numbers having passed tens of millions. Compared to regular people, she was now considered a mini wealthy woman herself!

Ning Xi planned it out in her mind. She could probably buy a small bungalow soon...

Even though the place she stayed at right now had very good privacy and protection, it was still a place that the company had arranged for her. Quite a lot of people knew where she stayed, so it was not convenient for Lu Tingxiao to come by usually, so it was best for her to get her own house.

It would also be considered...a nest of her own...

Before this, whether it was Starlight Entertainment’s tattered house or Glory World Entertainment’s high-class apartment arrangement, it was still not her own place.

Of course, more importantly, it should be convenient for her to keep her “mistress” in her house!

After planning in detail, Ning Xi had basically brought her timeline of buying a house in advance. She was ready to ask for Lu Tingxiao’s opinion about which location he liked, and of course, Little Treasure’s too...

Seeing that it was still early, Ning Xi was prepared to make a loving bento for the little bun. When she reached the kitchen, she remembered that she had run out of soy sauce, so she put down the apron and went to buy some. Because the convenience store was not too far away, Ning Xi did not bother getting changed and just took some change and her keys downstairs.

“Boss! Please give me a bottle of soy sauce!” Ning Xi leaned over the cashier countertop and gave the cashier some small change.

“Hey, sure!” In the convenience store, the lady boss, who looked like she was in her fifties, passed Ning Xi a bottle of soy sauce. At the same time, she evaluated her and frowned. “It’s so late, why did your mother let you go out to buy soy sauce alone?”

“Uhh...” Ning Xi broke out in a light sweat. “No worries, Boss, my house is close by!”

Ning Xi’s hair was tied up in two ponytails while she wore a cartoon onesie, making her look just like an underaged 17 or 18-year-old girl. No wonder the shopkeeper misunderstood.

“It’s not okay even if it’s close by. You’re a young lady so full of life. What if you meet a bad guy!? Next time, don’t come out alone this late at night!” The lady boss reminded.

Ning Xi nodded. “Okay, I know, thank you, sis!”

The lady boss grinned from ear to ear when Ning Xi called her “sis” and she stuffed another colorful lollipop in her hands. “Here you go!”

Ning Xi held the soy sauce bottle in one hand as she sucked on the lollipop the lady boss had given her in the other, happily hopping her way home...

Just as she was thinking about what yummy food to cook for the little bun, someone appeared before her without any warning.

Chapter 1035: I’ve Always Been A Cute Little Bunny

It was a strange woman.

The woman wore a dark, tight-fitting bodysuit and she emitted a similar aura as Third Senior Sister Feng Xiaoxiao did, the kind of aura a killer possessed.

“Bro Xi, Elder Feng wants to see you,” the woman looked at her and spoke expressionlessly.

Ning Xi was caught off-guard. She actually met a baddie on the way home! She was just out that night to buy some soy sauce and did not expect to meet Feng Jin’s underling!

And the only weapon she had on her right now was a bottle of soy sauce.

The woman opened the car door. “Please.”

Ning Xi’s brain worked fast as she sucked on her lollipop and tilted her head. “Miss, who are you? I think you’ve got the wrong person! I’m not Bro Xi!”

The woman was a little taken aback. "You're not Tang Xi?"

Ning Xi continued sucking her lollipop and shook her head innocently. "Miss, my name is Little Bunny!"

The woman looked at her, then she glanced at Ning Xi's apartment and said coldly, "I saw you coming out from 701."

Ning Xi scratched her head. "I know the girl from 701. I always visit her but it's a girl, not a guy staying there!"

The woman was confused by Ning Xi's innocent expression.

Although she knew that Tang Xi was actually a woman and she had seen her pictures in a female outfit before, this girl in front of her did not look like Ning Xi either.

Could she have made a mistake?

"Oh my, it's really late already! I'm going home now! If not my mother's going to give me a good scolding! Goodbye!" Ning Xi then walked away quickly.

The woman who was left behind was perplexed.

A voice came through the woman's Bluetooth earphone, "Did you get her?"

"I'm sorry, Elder Feng, I think I followed the wrong target!"

"Wrong target?"

"Yes, I've sent a picture to your phone. Please check if the person is Tang Xi."

Feng Jin then spoke to her through the Bluetooth earphone, "The person in the picture...is Tang Xi."

The woman was speechless. Had she been fooled by Tang Xi?

Tang Xi was her idol! Not only did she find out that her idol was actually a man, she even turned out to be a stupid little bunny!

"I'm sorry, Elder Feng! It's my mistake!"

Feng Jing coughed, "It's alright...it's not your fault, continue your mission!"

"Yes."

The woman moved swiftly after she ended the call. She climbed over the walls and went towards Ning Xi's direction.

A short while later, just when Ning Xi thought she had finally gotten away from that woman, a dark shadow appeared right in front of her.

Ning Xi almost cursed out loud when she saw her. She need not ask, her disguise was found out.

The woman stood before Ning Xi with a cold expression. "Bro Xi, your disguise was really amazing, I was almost fooled!"

Ning Xi kept quiet.

That was not a disguise at all! That's who I really am! I've always been a cute little bunny, you stupid humans!

Chapter 1036: Ears Were Heating Up

Ning Xi's eyes turned chilly. "We were once colleagues, after all. I don't want to hurt you, don't make me do it!"

The woman grinned. "Had it been the last time, I might not have been able to win, but now...I heard that you can't even face Feng Xiaoxiao for more than a few minutes!"

Ning Xi had nothing to say.

How did she even know about this?

"Bro Xi, follow me. If it's possible, I don't want to hurt you either," said the woman.

Ning Xi took a glance at the gun strapped to the woman's waist and she understood the woman was trying to be polite.

Not only did Ning Xi not have any weapons on her, even if she did, she would not be able to handle someone who was sent by Feng Jin.

Ning Xi got into the car in the end.

There was also a man in the car, designated to be the driver, and the woman sat at the back with Ning Xi.

The woman searched through Ning Xi's outfit and even checked the small black hair clip on her.

Ning Xi tilted her head and glanced at the woman busy examining her. "You can stop now, baby, I just came out to get some soy sauce. I didn't even bring my phone. Do you really expect me to possess anything dangerous now?"

The woman stopped as she heard Ning Xi's voice. She felt her ears heating up...

That was Tang Xi's voice...Tang Xi's tone...

Although Ning Xi looked like an underaged girl now, her tone matched the old Tang Xi.

The woman shook her head and came back to her senses, then she tied Ning Xi's wrists tightly to ensure that she could not escape.

"Pretty lady, can you tell me why Strategist Feng has invited me over?" Ning Xi asked.

"I'm just executing my orders, I don't know anything else," the woman answered expressionlessly.

"You're also working for Satan but why have I never seen you before?"

The woman stopped answering her questions and ignored her.

Too bad. Ning Xi just closed her eyes and got some rest.

What surprised Ning Xi was that although the woman had tied her up, she did not blindfold her. It seemed like she did not mind her knowing where were they heading to.

The streetlights and cars outside were getting lesser and lesser as the car headed towards the outskirts...

Where were they bringing her? Any further would be going into the wilderness...

As Ning Xi was running through the possibilities in her mind, the car stopped in front of an old European villa.

When she clearly saw where they were, Ning Xi's face went pale!

Gosh, this...

Was this not the infamous haunted villa?!

Rumor had it that a pregnant woman hung herself inside. Ever since then, the house was haunted and many mysterious things happened. A resident was even scared to death here and no one else dared to take over this house after that...

What was happening!?

Of all places, why here!?

The thing she was afraid of the most was ghosts!

“Bro Xi, please let go.”

Ning Xi's hands were tied together but she clung on to the car door with her fingers. She even crawled back into the car upon realizing where they were.

The woman looked at the driver and they both dragged Ning Xi out.

A gun was pointed at Ning Xi's back and she could only walk towards the scary haunted house slowly...

Chapter 1037: If I Were In A Male Outfit

The woman was suspicious when she saw Ning Xi's pale face and her shaky legs.

Ning Xi had been pretty calm along the way just now and even took a nap but when they reached there, she became so frightened.

But, well, who could blame her? That man...was pretty scary after all!

The thick wooden door made a loud creaking sound as the woman pushed it open. The large house was empty and dark.

The light was not turned on and only a few white candles lined up on the wall were lit up. The dim lights made the haunted house even spookier.

Under the dim candle lights, the oil portraits on the wall looked like haunting ghosts. The old wooden floorboards creaked as they walked through the house.

With an old pendulum clock, bronze mirrors, animal tusks, and deer heads...the house was like a horror film set populated with extremely ancient decorations. She expected a ghost to suddenly pop out of nowhere, or a white figure to suddenly hang down right in front of her...

Ning Xi walked slowly, her steps treading heavier after each step.

The woman with the gun on Ning Xi's back realized that she was walking slower and slower and she got annoyed.

As the woman was about to tell Ning Xi to go faster, the large clock in the house struck twelve.

Dong!

Dong!

Dong!

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The large clock rung out loudly all of a sudden and the sound echoed throughout the empty house.

"Arghh, ghost!" Ning Xi screamed at the top of her lungs and she turned around to hug the woman. She was shivering, apparently really afraid.

The woman was dumbfounded.

Bro Xi...was actually...

Scared of ghosts?

She was wondering if she was dreaming...

The worst thing was that the image of her idol was being destroyed bit by bit until nothing was left anymore...

It was all just her imagination...

"It's just the sound of the clock." The woman looked at the little bunny with an expressionless face.

"The...the sound of the clock...really shocked me..."

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After a while, the woman finally brought Ning Xi into a room upstairs. While it was just a short distance from the car to the room, Ning Xi felt like she had just gone through hell.

The woman in the black suit thought that Ning Xi was trying to delay her time, but then she realized that Ning Xi's forehead was full of sweat and she did not seem to be acting.

The woman still could not get over her past idol.

Ning Xi stopped her from leaving after they reached the room. "Where are you going?"

“Please wait here for a moment.”

“You want to leave me alone here? No way! Don’t go! What am I waiting for? Can’t you wait with me? Aren’t you worried that I might run away?”

“My mission ends here.”

No matter how Ning Xi begged, she still left!

“Damn! We’ll see if you’ll leave me this quick if I were in a male outfit!”

Chapter 1038: Scare Her To Death?

The woman’s footsteps were going further and further away until Ning Xi could not hear it anymore.

The whole place was dead silent and there was not even the slightest rustle. She could hear herself moving just an inch of her body and the very tiny sound she made was magnified, terrorizing her.

She was already frightened even when there was another person with her; leaving her alone was torture!

Ning Xi took a deep breath and chanted whatever religious mantras she remembered as she tried to look around the room to distract herself.

There was a dimly lit white candle on the dressing table. She could see that the design of the room was pretty similar to the outside. The only difference was that it was way scarier. She also realized the room was very spacious. From the structure and decoration of it, it should be the master bedroom...

Master bedroom!

Ning Xi suddenly ran to a corner, away from the entrance.

The rumor that went around was that the woman, who had hung herself, had done so at the entrance of the master bedroom!

She was standing exactly under it just now!

She finally understood their plan now. They wanted to scare her to death! There were some things in life that could never be overcome, like Ning Xi’s fear of ghosts.

When she had stayed with her foster parents, her grandmother did not like her and tried to abandon her many times. There was once that she had left Ning Xi alone near a graveyard.

She stayed there for two days...and was deeply traumatized by the experience back then.

She ended up being terrified of ghosts. Even though she knew they were baseless assumptions, she could not help it. She also would not watch any horror films.

Ning Xi took another deep breath to calm herself down, then she tried to untie herself.

Unfortunately, the woman had used a professional technique and the rope texture was special, so it

was impossible to escape from it. She dragged her weak body around and checked the room but all the doors and windows were locked.

She looked into the mirror and saw her own pale face. Her thoughts ran wild and she thought that she was buried in the ground with the dead bodies...

She did not even have the capacity to think about why Feng Jin had trapped her there...

The only thing that might make her feel better in the room was probably the bed.

Ning Xi's legs were trembling as she slowly moved towards the bed. She grasped the pillow to her chest and curled up into a fetal position.

Time passed by.

No one came and there was no sound.

She felt like she was the only one alive in the whole world until the candle on the dressing table was burnt completely. The sole source of light went out and the room became pitch black.

Ning Xi's tensed up mind could not take it anymore. Her deepest, darkest thought flooded her mind uncontrollably...

A little girl was abandoned heartlessly. She waited at the same spot only to hear ferocious beast cries from the forest...

She ran and then, was tripped by something. She looked down to see a pile of bones...

She was lost in a woods full of dried up bones. She waited from night till dawn, and from day till dusk; she kept on waiting and waiting...

Chapter 1039: Who Are You Keeping Yourself For?

The scenery in her mind shifted again. It was a sunny afternoon and there was a loud screech of brakes. She felt a sharp pain in her stomach...

Child...her child...

Blood...in the eyes...everywhere...

Child! My child!

He's dead! Your child is dead! He was born dead! What could you do even if he's not dead? Are you going to take care of an illegitimate child?

No...she did not believe it...his heart had still been beating in her womb just a moment ago...

Not an illegitimate child! Her child was not an illegitimate child!

She had been looking forward to the birth of her child, it was her child! Her precious child!

Give me back my baby! Give me back...

The woman's mournful voice echoed through her head. Deep in her heart, she knew it was her own voice...

Finally, the next moment...she saw that child, she finally saw her baby...

In a cold morgue...a small body which was all purple and blue...the baby had stopped breathing...

Her child, her baby was dead...

Suddenly, there was a loud screech amongst the silence. It was the opening of the door.

Thud!

Thud!

Thud!

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Leather shoes stepped into the room and a tall man came in.

The man's fair hand was holding a candle. Under the dim light, it highlighted his greyish eyes and his silver hair...

The man walked slowly towards the bed and closed in on the dark silhouette.

There was a girl on the bed and she was gripping the pillow tightly, drenched in sweat. Her hair was wet and her body was shivering...

"No...no...my child...no..."

The girl was definitely not fully conscious until she noticed the source of the light and the sound of footsteps. She looked up and stared and the direction of the light...

"You're still useless as ever!" The man's sarcastic tone echoed through the spooky room.

Ning Xi stared at the person while maintaining her fetal position. She did not move and did not say anything. It seemed like she was still in her dream-like state.

The girl was wearing a furry onesie and her body was quivering as she stared hard at him with her reddened eyes... It was just...

Too easy to trigger a person's darkest desire...

The man's eyes went darker and darker as he slowly extended his hand towards the girl. He tried to touch her lips...

The next moment, the man felt a sharp pain on his hand.

Before he could close in, the girl had bitten his hand, blood smearing the girl's mouth and the man's hand...

The man's expression changed. He held the girl's lower jaw and pushed her onto the bed. With a cold and angry expression, he spoke in a dangerous tone, "Who are you keeping yourself for? Hmm?"

Chapter 1040: Who Wants Your Heart?

"Yun Shen! What do you want!?" Ning Xi was finally awake and she demanded.

The man looked at his bleeding hand, then licked it slowly. His demonic eyes locked onto her and he said in a low voice beside her ears, "I didn't really plan to do anything...but now..."

His voice crept Ning Xi out. "I've already told you clearly. Yes, you saved my life, so I gave you four years of my life and risked my life countless times for you but now, I don't owe you anything! We're going on separate paths, so what's wrong with that?"

The man cackled as he held her chin, "You don't owe me? My dear, don't even talk about when you're alive. Even if you're dead, you're still mine! If I go to hell, you'll follow right behind me!"

This...this maniac!

The man's expression was crazy and the situation was going out of hand. Ning Xi was not just tied up, she could not move at all. She kept her eyes shut and yelled, "You won't harvest any sweet fruits from forcefully picking them! Is there any meaning to what you're doing!?"

"Who told you that I like sweet fruits?"

Ning Xi was taken aback. "You...even if you get my body, you'll never have my heart!"

The man raised his eyebrows as he ran his fingers through her hair. "I only want your body. Who wants your heart?"

Why was he acting so irrationally...?

When she was almost scared to death just now, she had prayed for a living person to come! As long as it was a living person! But now, as she looked at the guy in front of her, she might as well have met a ghost...

There must be something wrong with her method of praying...

"Wait! Don't you want to know why I chose Lu Tingxiao?" Ning Xi yelled again.

As expected, the man stopped. He squinted his eyes, then asked her with a half-hearted smile, "Tell me about it..."

Ning Xi gulped, able to relax a little.

Probably because she had mentioned Lu Tingxiao's name, the girl's expression softened. It was an expression he had never seen before, exciting his inner dominating desire...

Ning Xi closed her eyes and said slowly, "Yun Shen, you know a lot about me. Whether it was when I was still staying with my foster parents, or when I was taken back by the Ning family when

I was 18, or even the four years when I was overseas, before I met Lu Tingxiao, there was not a day that I could be myself!

“Because I was afraid of being abandoned, I tried my best to appeal to my foster parents and grandmother. Because I was afraid of being ignored, I tried to look good in front of my parents and the socialites. Because of love, I gave up everything to try to please Su Yan. Because I wanted to survive, I buried my real self...”

Up to this point, Ning Xi was reminded of the years when she had wandered overseas and she wore a cold smile. However, soon, the coldness melted away. “After I came back, revenge blinded me and made me lose my way...”

“Until...I met that person...until I met Lu Tingxiao...no one has ever treated me so well. He loves me and protects me, he always quietly sacrifices himself for me and he's never forced me to do anything...I can only be myself in front of him!”