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Chapter 781 - Battle Instinct

"Huft...Huft..." Xiao Tian, who was sitting on the floor, breathed heavily.

Previously, he immediately trained martial arts after arriving at Lan Ruoxi's place.

'No. I can't be lazy around like this.'

His underlings had gotten stronger, so as their leader, he had to become stronger quickly.

When Xiao Tian thought that he was ready to practice again, he raised his head to look at Lan Ruoxi. "Lady Lan, let's continue again."

Lan Ruoxi turned her head to the right side and uttered, "Throw the arrows again."

"Understood." The person next to her responded.

Xiao Tian's expression turned serious.

'Feel my surroundings as if it's part of my body.'

His previous life martial arts master told him to feel his surroundings if he wanted to improve his reflexes.

His martial arts master said that there were two ways to improve reflexes. First, being beaten every day until his body reacted automatically when he was in danger or constantly sharpened his senses.

Because Xiao Tian wanted to become stronger as quickly as possible, he did both things. He often practiced martial arts with Lan Ruoxi, got beaten up by her, and trained his reflexes in the training room.

*Wuish...Wuish...

Two arrows were shot towards him at high speed. Since Lan Ruoxi wanted to help him improve his reflexes quickly, she increased the speed of the arrows without telling him. With this, it could help him break through to the mid-level master stage faster.

Xiao Tian moved to the left to dodge the first arrow. But a second arrow suddenly came from his right side. Since Xiao Tian didn't have time to move left or right, he did a bridge position.

*Wuish...Wuish...

Two arrows were shot at him again, aiming at his legs.

Xiao Tian instantly did a backflip.

'I can't let my guard down.'

In order to test the reflexes of the martial artists, they were shot with countless arrows at a certain speed.

For martial artists at the low-level apprentice stage, they had to dodge countless arrows that were shot at them at a speed of 25 meters/sec for thirty seconds without being hit by a single arrow.

Even though 25 meters/second was not fast, but because they had to dodge countless arrows continuously from all directions, many of them failed their test.

Of course, people who didn't give up and kept training martial arts could do that later.

And if they wanted to officially raise their reflexes to the category of martial artist at the mid-level apprentice stage, they would have to dodge countless arrows again.

But this time, the speed of the arrows was faster than before. The speed of the arrows was 30 meters/second. And like before, they must not be hit by a single arrow.

As for the high-level apprentice stage, they had to dodge countless arrows at a speed of 40 meters/sec for thirty seconds without being hit by a single arrow.

And if they wanted to raise their reflexes to the category of the low-level master stage, they had to be prepared to dodge countless arrows at a speed of 50 meters/second.

Currently, Xiao Tian wanted to break through to the mid-level master stage, so he had to dodge countless arrows at a speed of 60 meters/sec for thirty seconds.

However, he had no idea that Lan Ruoxi had raised the speed of the arrows. Instead of 60 meters/second, Lan Ruoxi increased it to 70 meters/second.

It was the speed for people who wanted to improve their reflexes to the category of the high-level master stage.

As for the low-level grandmaster stage, they had to be prepared to dodge fifty arrows at a speed of 90 meters/sec without being hit by a single arrow.

If at the master stage the arrow speed increased by 10 meters/second each level, at the grandmaster stage, it was different. And there was no time limit too.

The arrows speed increase was 20 meters/sec, so if they wanted to increase their reflexes to the mid-level grandmaster stage category, they had to dodge fifty arrows at a speed of 110 meters/second.

As for martial artists at the high-level grandmaster stage, they had to dodge the ten arrows that were shot at them at a speed of 130 meters/second.

This speed was as fast as a bullet, so people who were already at the high-level grandmaster stage could dodge the bullets easily if they weren't shot by surprise.

*One second...two seconds...three seconds.

It had been fifteen seconds since Xiao Tian dodged the countless arrows that were shot at him.

Even though thirty seconds was not long, he felt as if it was a long time because he was dodging countless arrows.

*Wuish...Wuish...

Left, right, forward, backward. Xiao Tian tried his best to dodge all the arrows that were shot from all directions.

'This is...'

Xiao Tian felt his senses suddenly become much sharper. Coupled with him having excellent instinct, he could dodge the arrows more easily now.

When the arrow was about to hit his body, he felt as if something inside his body was telling him that he was in a dangerous situation.

Lan Ruoxi, who was paying attention to Xiao Tian carefully, noticed something.

'Hmm? This is....could it be Battle Instinct?'

Lan Ruoxi found it hard to believe what she was seeing.

Usually, only a martial artist at the grandmaster stage could gain insight about battle instinct. Even some martial artists at the low-level grandmaster stage didn't get any battle instinct like Jufan, Yahui and Shuren.

But most of them already had the battle instinct, although they only touched a small part of that battle instinct

Their battle instincts would be even better after breaking through to a higher level. This was why almost all martial artists at the low-level grandmaster stage could never defeat a martial artist at the mid-level grandmaster stage because battle instinct was very important in battle.

There were many benefits to having battle instinct. For example, their bodies would tell them if they were in danger, they could sense auras emanating from other people's bodies, or their bodies would signal them if they were facing an opponent, they would not be able to defeat. And there are many more benefits of having battle instinct.

'How can he already have a battle instinct? Didn't he just break through to the mid-level master stage?'

Countless questions appeared in her mind.

'Am I looking at the next ruler now?'

Several hundred ago, the Ruler of martial artists also gained battle instinct when they were still at the master stage.

Xiao Tian was a genius in martial arts. Coupled with him already having battle instinct when he was only at the mid-level master stage made Lan Ruoxi believe that he would become a powerful martial artist in the future.

She then spoke to the person next to her. "Continue firing the arrow. Don't stop."

"Understood." The person next to her replied.

Seconds turned into minutes, and without realizing it, Xiao Tian had been dodging the arrows for about seventy seconds.

Even though he wanted to know why Lan Ruoxi kept shooting the arrow, Xiao Tian said nothing and focused on dodging the arrows.

*Shui...Shui...

The last two arrows were finally shot at Xiao Tian's head and chest.

Like before, Xiao Tian could dodge those arrows.

'Oh! She didn't shoot the arrows anymore?'

Xiao Tian thought Lan Ruoxi would keep firing the arrows, but he was wrong.

*Csshhh.

The sound of the metal door opening rang in his ears.

*Clap...Clap...Clap...

As Lan Ruoxi was walking towards Xiao Tian, she clapped her hands. "Congratulations, young master Xiao. Now you are officially a martial artist at the mid-level master stage."

Chapter 782 - Flower, The Young Assassin

7-8 minutes

"Congratulations, young master Xiao. Now you are officially a martial artist at the mid-level master stage." Lan Ruoxi clapped her hands as she smiled.

"Thank you." at first, Xiao Tian wanted to ask why she kept firing the arrows earlier, but he decided not to do that after thinking for several seconds.

"Now that you are officially a martial artist at the mid-level master stage, I have good news for you." Lan Ruoxi didn't tell him directly about it.

"Hmm? What is it? Are you going to say I can sleep with you now?" Xiao Tian said jokingly.

"Hehe." Lan Ruoxi giggled after hearing his remarks. "Your current strength is still not enough to defeat me."

Of course, Xiao Tian knew about this. "So, what is it?"

Lan Ruoxi gave the data to Xiao Tian and replied. "Here read it."

The expression of deep shock blossomed on Xiao Tian's face when he read the data. On the data, it was written that the speed of the arrows that were shot at him earlier was not 60 meters/second, but 70 meters/second.

Since Lan Ruoxi had increased the speed of the arrows from the start, Xiao Tian didn't notice it.

"Your reflexes are already in the category of high-level master stage." Lan Ruoxi uttered, "Because of how much you desire to become stronger, I secretly increased the speed of the arrows from the start. You won't be mad at me, will you?"

"No. I'm angry. I want to punish you now." of course, he was joking around when he said that because deep inside him, he was grateful for her actions.

"Your body is drenched in sweat now. You should shower first before thinking about something dirty." Lan Ruoxi knew that Xiao Tian was joking.

"Fine. But be prepared because I will punish you after taking a shower." Xiao Tian also felt uncomfortable with his body covered in sweat. That was why he wanted to take a bath.

'What a pervert young man!'

Lan Ruoxi said in her mind.

Since there was no point in staying in the training room, Lan Ruoxi headed to the private room. Because Xiao Tian practiced martial arts for about two hours, he took a bath longer than usual.

'Huft. Maybe I should leave some of my clothes in her place so that I don't need to bring clothes every time I want to practice martial arts.'

After putting on his clothes, Xiao Tian headed to a private room because Lan Ruoxi usually waited for him in the private room.

"By the way, where is Zhao Sheng? I haven't seen him in the last few days." Xiao Tian inquired.

"He is on the mountain now." of course, Lan Ruoxi knew about this because of her relationship with the Zhao family.

"Mountain?" Xiao Tian was startled after hearing her words. "What is he doing on the mountain?"

Zhao Sheng was someone who loved spending time with women, so he was curious as to why Zhao Sheng suddenly went to the mountain.

"What else except to practice martial arts." Lan Ruoxi replied. "His father and grandfather dragged him to the mountain to train him. They want him to break through to the mid-level master stage as quickly as possible. They even threatened him that they would destroy his companies if he refused to practice martial arts with them."

At this moment, Xiao Tian suddenly felt sorry for Zhao Sheng. "They are so mean to him."

"But I'm sure he'll be back in two or three days." Lan Ruoxi replied. "I have received information that he has broken through to the mid-level master stage four days ago."

"Four days ago?" Xiao Tian said in surprise.

Previously, he thought Zhao Sheng still hadn't broken through to the mid-level master stage, but he was wrong.

'Ah! I forgot that he is also a genius in martial arts.'

Xiao Tian said in his head.

"Yes." Lan Ruoxi nodded her head. "The reason why he is still in the mountain is that his father and grandfather wants him to strengthen his foundation."

"Forget about Zhao Sheng for now." Xiao Tian suddenly rose to his feet and sat next to her. "Now is the time to punish you for lying to me."

"Are you sure you want to punish me?" Lan Ruoxi made an expression as if she was challenging him to punish her. "Are you not you afraid of the consequences later?"

"I, Xiao Tian, am not afraid of anything." After saying that, Xiao Tian made Lan Ruoxi face him. "Bad lady must be punished or else she will continue to rebel."

At first, Xiao Tian thought Lan Ruoxi would bite his lower lip again like usual, but he was wrong. Not only did she not do that, she even let him do whatever he wanted. This made Xiao Tian stop the kiss and look at her in confusion.

"Oh! You've finished punishing me?!" Lan Ruoxi said in surprise. "I thought you would kiss me wildly for a long time before."

Because she said something like that, Xiao Tian kissed her lips again. They kissed passionately for a long time before finally, Xiao Tian left.

Wuzo Town, The Chao Family Home.

"Miss Flower, I want you to kill this person." Chao Ming Hai gave Xiao Tian's picture to the person who was sitting on the opposite side of him.

Since he wanted to kill Xiao Tian, he decided to pay an assassin. Flower was a famous assassin in Wuzo city. That was why he chose to pay her.

Of course, Flower was not her real name. Because it was a dirty job, she could not use her real name.

'Him?'

Flower's eyes widened for a second when she found out her next target was Xiao Tian, the young man she had met twice in two days.

Yes. She was the one who bumped into Xiao Tian when they were at the juice shop. She had two jobs, and one of them was as an assassin.

Even though she was still young, she had killed many people before. And because she was so good at hiding her true identity, until now, no one knew who she was.

This was why she always wore a veil when she was working as an assassin.

"You know the rules, right?" Flower had a few rules as an assassin.

One of the rules was that they had to pay her in full before she killed his target. Sure, it was weird, but everyone never thought she would run away with the money because she had one principle after receiving the money from them; she dies, or the target dies.

"I know." Chao Ming Hai put the bag full of money on the table. "This is your payment."

Since she didn't want to be fooled by Chao Ming Hai, she checked the money first. After she was sure it was real money, she spoke, "I accept it. I will kill him in a week at the most."

"It's okay if you can't kill him in a week." Chao Ming Hai uttered, "As long as he will die, I can wait much longer than that. I just want him to die no matter what."

Flower took the bag and rose to her feet. "I will update the information later. And if you need anything. you can call me on that number."

"All right." Chao Ming Hai responded.

Since there was nothing to discuss, Flower left.

Chapter 783 - Fighting Flower

6-7 minutes

"Huft...Boring." Xiao Tian sighed before tilting his head back.

Currently, Xiao Tian was sitting on the couch in the living room. Since Shi Fei and the others were still working, he was alone at home.

'This mansion feels like a graveyard without them.'

Xiao Tian then rose to his feet and traveled to a nearby park.

"What a good weather and fresh air." Currently, Xiao Tian was sitting on a wooden bench under a tree.

Even though he was alone, he did not feel lonely anymore because there were many people around him.

As Xiao Tian was enjoying himself, Flower was looking at him from afar. Because she was wearing normal clothes, many people had no idea that she wanted to kill Xiao Tian.

They thought she went to the park to calm herself or enjoy the beautiful scenery in the garden. "Good. He is alone."

Time went by quickly, and without realizing it, it had been an hour since Xiao Tian arrived at the park.

'It's already 05:30 pm.'

Xiao Tian rose to his feet and headed to his home.

Flower, who saw him, followed him secretly.

'Finally, the opportunity to kill him has appeared.'

Previously, she was a little annoyed because Xiao Tian sat in the same place for an hour.

Because God had given him excellent instincts, Xiao Tian suddenly felt that someone was following him.

'Is someone following me?'

Xiao Tian tried to find out if someone was following him or not.

However, because Flower had been an assassin for so many years, she was very good at erasing her traces. For this reason, Xiao Tian could not find her.

When they were in the perfect place to kill Xiao Tian, Flower immediately put on her veil so no one would know who she was later.

She then took out her daggers and dashed towards Xiao Tian. With her several years of experience as an assassin, coupled with her deadly skills, she was confident that she could kill Xiao Tian instantly.

She also made a surprise attack, so there was no way Xiao Tian could dodge her deadly attack.

However, she underestimated Xiao Tian too much. He was someone who had good instincts. Coupled with his reflexes that had improved significantly, he was able to dodge the attack.

'What?'

Flower was startled when Xiao Tian could avoid her deadly attack.

'Don't tell me, he is already on the same level as me.'

Flower didn't know that the reason why Xiao Tian was able to dodge her deadly attack was that he had gained insight about Battle Instinct, so his senses had become much sharper than ordinary martial artists. Otherwise, Xiao Tian would have died.

'This is...'

She was a martial artist at the mid-level master stage and an extraordinary one too. She could even defeat an ordinary martial artist at the high-level master stage, so she found it hard to believe what was happening.

She knew that Xiao Tian was an outstanding martial artist, but they were on the same level, so in her view, he should not be able to dodge her deadly attack.

Xiao Tian's eyes were filled with coldness.

'An assassin.'

Based on her previous attack, he was sure that she was a strong martial artist.

'Who paid her?'

When Xiao Tian was thinking about who paid her, Flower attacked him again.

Even though her attacks were fast and deadly, but because his reflexes and senses had improved significantly, he was able to dodge all of her attacks.

Not only that, Xiao Tian even managed to remove the daggers from her hands. Xiao Tian and Flower suddenly stopped attacking each other.

However, both of them looked at each other in the eyes as if they were hungry beasts who were eyeing their prey.

And as if they had agreed to start again, they dashed towards each other and started attacking again. Xiao Tian threw out his right fist, aiming at the left side of her head.

Flower lowered her body to avoid it. However, not only did she dodge, but she also counterattacked. She threw her right fist towards Xiao Tian's chin.

Xiao Tian instantly took two steps back. When he was about to attack, he was welcomed by her fist again.

Luckily, his reflexes and instincts were good, so he was able to block it. Since Xiao Tian didn't like being attacked continuously, he threw out his right fist at her face.

He kept attacking her face because he wanted to remove the veil on her face. He wanted to know who she was.

However, hitting her and removing her veil was difficult as she could always block or dodge all of his attacks.

Like before, she instantly counterattacked after avoiding it. She did a high kick, aiming at the left side of Xiao Tian's head.

At first, Xiao Tian wanted to dodge, but he changed his mind and chose to block it because he wanted to attack her at close range.

After blocking her kick with his left hand, Xiao Tian also did the same thing. He threw a high kick and aimed it towards the left side of her head.

Because the timing was perfect and his kick was also fast, Xiao Tian was sure she would not be able to block or dodge it.

However, he was wrong. Like him, Flower could also block his kick, and she also used her left arm to do that.

It was as if she knew that Xiao Tian would kick the left side of her head. And like this, they exchanged countless attacks without successfully landing an attack.

'How could this be? Why am I still unable to beat him/her? She/He is only a martial artist at the mid-level master stage. How could this happen?'

Those were the words that appeared in their minds.

Usually, they could defeat a martial artist on the same level as them with ease. That was why Xiao Tian and Flower found it hard to believe what was happening.

At this moment, a voice suddenly rang out. "Stop! Fighting is forbidden in this park."

Two security guards walked towards them. Because Flower knew that her chance to kill Xiao Tian was gone, she left.

"Hey! Don't go!" the security guards shouted.

However, Flower ignored them and kept running away.

Chapter 784 - Going To The Zhao Family House

7-8 minutes

At first, Xiao Tian also wanted to run away, but he changed his mind after thinking for several seconds. If he ran away like Flower, he would look suspicious.

"Young man, why did you fight in the park earlier? Did you know that fighting is forbidden here?" the red-haired security guard asked when he was in front of Xiao Tian.

"Eh! You are Xiao Tian, right?" the green-haired security guard noticed who Xiao Tian was.

Even though Xiao Tian only appeared in the magazine once and on TV less than five times, he still remembered him because Xiao Tian was an amazing person in his eyes.

Xiao Tian was able to become a successful young man at a young age and what amazed him most was that Xiao Tian built his company from scratch and still managed to become a successful young man in no time.

Someone like him was very rare in China, no, even in the whole world. He was also sure that Xiao Tian's future was limitless. It was as if he was loved by the Gods and Goddesses.

"Yes. I'm Xiao Tian." Xiao Tian replied. "Actually, I didn't want to fight, but she suddenly attacked me, so I had no choice but to fight back."

"Why did she suddenly attack you? Did you do something to her?" the green-haired security guard inquired.

"No. She is an assassin who was paid by someone to kill me." Xiao Tian gave an honest answer.

"An assassin?" the security guards said in surprise.

"Yes." Xiao Tian nodded his head. "This kind of thing happens to me a lot."

The security guards were surprised again by his words.

'It seems like the life of the rich is not as wonderful as we think.'

Those were the words that appeared in their minds.

Previously, they thought the life of the rich was always wonderful because they could buy anything they wanted.

They could even sleep with whoever they want, like actresses, models, singers, and many others.

But now they realized that the life of the rich was not easy. They could even lose their lives anywhere and anytime.

"Can I leave now?" Xiao Tian inquired.

"Ah, yes." the security guards believed that Xiao Tian was not the wrong one, so they let him go.

Then Xiao Tian left. On the way home, Xiao Tian thought of the person who paid the assassin to kill him.

After arriving home, Xiao Tian headed to his room. He called Chun Hua and ordered her to send a few people to protect his women from tomorrow until he solved the problem.

Since Xiao Tian didn't want his woman to worry, he headed to the living room with a happy smile on his face.

The following morning, Xiao Tian went to Eternal Beauty company to work. However, he only worked for three hours because Zhao Chen invited him to come to the Zhao family home.

Actually, Xiao Tian was curious as to why Zhao Chen suddenly invited him to come to his house.

"Yo, Xiao Tian. It has been several days since we last saw each other. How are you?" Zhao Sheng smiled happily when he saw Xiao Tian.

All he did in the past few weeks was training martial arts and practicing martial arts. His father and grandfather even dragged him to the mountain to practice martial arts.

Not only could he not hang out with Xiao Tian and Lan Ruoxi, but he also could not go to his companies and meet his women.

Of course, he had tried to run but always failed because his father and grandfather were always watching him, so he couldn't run away.

They would not let him leave the mountain if he didn't break through to the mid-level master stage.

Because of that, Zhao Sheng had no choice but to practice martial arts seriously. Of course, the reason why he practiced martial arts seriously was not because he liked martial arts now, but because he wanted freedom.

"When did you return?" yesterday, Lan Ruoxi said that Zhao Sheng and the others were still on the mountain, so Xiao Tian was surprised when Zhao Chen suddenly invited him to come to their house.

"Last night." Zhao Sheng gave an honest answer.

"Ah! You have arrived, Xiao Tian." Zhao Chen's voice rang out from behind Zhao Sheng.

"Greeting, elder Zhao." Xiao Tian said politely when he saw Zhao Chen.

At this moment, the members of the Zhao family suddenly entered the guest room. This left Xiao Tian dumbfounded. He wanted to know what was going on.

Xiao Tian turned his head towards Zhao Sheng and looked at Zhao Sheng with a confused expression. Even though the Zhao family didn't hate him now, they didn't like him either.

His relationship with the Zhao family was only as Zhao Sheng's friend, nothing more than that. He was even sure that the Zhao family wouldn't help him if he was in a life-and-death situation because they were not close.

Sure, Zhao Chen had a good impression of him, but that was all. If he wanted them to help him, he would have to offer them something valuable in exchange.

"Because I want them to know you better." Zhao Sheng gave an honest answer. "That's why they are here now."

Xiao Tian was his best friend, so he wanted his family to know more about Xiao Tian. He didn't want his family to hate Xiao Tian or be hostile to Xiao Tian later.

"huh?" Xiao Tian tilted his head to the left.

He found it hard to believe what he was hearing. Sure he knew that Zhao Sheng had an important position in the Zhao family, but he didn't expect that Zhao Sheng could make the other members listen to his words.

Zhao Sheng placed his right hand on his chest and spoke proudly. "It's because I'm a marital artist at the mid-level master stage now."

"What? Just because you have broken through to the mid-level master stage?" Xiao Tian was even more confused.

Even though martial artists at the mid-level master stage were already considered strong martial artists, but he was sure that the Zhao family had many martial artists at the mid-level master stage. That was why he didn't get Zhao Sheng's words.

"That's right." Zhao Sheng responded. "And for your information, you were invited to my house also because of me."

At this moment, Zhao Sheng was telling the truth. Previously, he wanted to go out to meet Xiao Tian and Lan Ruoxi, but his family forbade him because he always lost track of time whenever he hung out with them.

When Zhao Sheng saw Xiao Tian's confused expression, he smiled proudly.

'I'm sure now he realizes how amazing I am.'

Zhao Sheng thought Xiao Tian was speechless because he did something amazing. That was why he crossed his arms over his chest and smiled proudly.

When Lang Yaling saw her son's behavior, she covered her mouth and giggled.

'He really behaves differently whenever he is with Xiao Tian.'

She said in her head.

As Zhao Sheng was smiling proudly, his grandfather suddenly hit his head. "Ouch!"

"Xiao Tian, let me tell you why we are all here now." Zhao Chen spoke, "We decided to grant his wish because he has gained insight about battle instinct."

"Battle instinct?" Xiao Tian tilted his head to the left.

Chapter 785 - What Is Battle Instinct?

"Battle instinct?" Xiao Tian had no idea what battle instinct was because Lan Ruoxi didn't tell him anything about it yesterday.

He tried to find the answer in his predecessor's memory but found nothing. He had also never heard of battle instinct in his previous life. However, from the name, he believed it was related to fighting ability.

Because Zhao Chen knew that Xiao Tian had no idea about it, he began to explain it. "Battle instinct is a technique that severs the consciousness from the body in order to allow the body to subconsciously move it to even attack and evade."

Then he continued, "The body of any living being is accompanied by limitation. For anyone to perfume basic actions, they must first process their actions and think with their brain. This will limit their speed and hamper their ability to fight efficiently."

When Zhao Chen was explaining about battle instinct, Xiao Tian paid attention to him carefully.

"The ultimate goal for martial artist is the mastery of self-movement, the ability for each and every part of body to act and think on its own." Zhao Chen spoke and paused for a second before he continued, "With this, martial artist will have much greater speed and no longer needs to take time to process their actions and can instantly do them."

And based on Zhao Chen's words, any martial artist who was using battle instinct would emit a special aura around their bodies. Of course, they could only feel it and could not see it.

This aura would act as a bridge between the person who was in battle instinct mode and the others or their surroundings.

If they were in danger, the aura would give a signal to their bodies, and as a result, their bodies would move on its own before being hit.

However, because battle instinct used the energy of heaven and earth, the human body had to use a lot of stamina to maintain it.

Due to this reason, all martial artists were unable to stay in this state for a long time. Of course, they could prolong the use of their battle instinct later, but they had to become stronger first because they needed a strong body to carry the energy of heaven and earth.

Upon hearing Zhao Chen's words, Xiao Tian suddenly desired to master it.

'Amazing. If I can master this battle instinct, my speed, reflexes and strength will be enhanced by many times.'

Xiao Tian desired to be a very strong martial artist so that he could protect his family and friends from enemies.

'I have to master this battle instinct no matter what.'

a blazing determination burned in Xiao Tian's eyes

"How is it, Xiao Tian? Aren't I amazing? I'm only a martial artist at the mid-level master stage but I have gained insight about battle instinct. They say I have a chance to become the Ruler in the future. Haha." Zhao Sheng laughed happily after saying that.

Like before, Zhao Chen hit his grandson's head again. "Stop showing off! You can only stay in this state for six seconds. What is there to be proud of? Can you beat a martial artist at the grandmaster stage in six seconds?"

Even though he said something like that, Zhao Chen was indeed proud of his grandson. Zhao Sheng was the second to gain insight about battle instinct while still at the master stage.

The first person to do that was Zhao Chen's great-great-grandfather, Zhao Zhi. When Zhao Zhi was still alive, no one dared to cause trouble for the Zhao family.

Every family in the whole of China treated them with respect because Zhao Zhi was the Ruler, the strongest martial artist in the whole of China.

"Grandfather, can't you let me show off a little in front of my friend? Why do you always hit my head? What if I become an idiot because of this?" Zhao Sheng was annoyed because his grandfather kept hitting his head.

He wanted to fight back, but alas, his grandfather was too strong for the current him.

"What? You don't like it? Beat me if you don't like my behavior." Zhao Chen spoke as he crossed his arms over his chest.

At this moment, Zhao Sheng could only grit his teeth in annoyance.

"Elder Zhao, can you tell me how to gain insight about this battle instinct?" Xiao Tian inquired.

Because he was sure that Xiao Tian would not gain insight about battle instinct when he was still in the mid-level master stage, Zhao Chen didn't mind answering his question. "You have to calm your mind and feel your surroundings. When you become one with nature, your body will tell you if you are in danger."

Xiao Tian touched his chin.

"Your body will tell you when you are in danger?"

Xiao Tian suddenly recalled the time when he was dodging countless arrows because, at that time, his body also gave him a warning when the arrows were about to hit him.

'Wait! Could it be that I have already gained insight about this battle instinct?'

Xiao Tian asked in his head.

"I see." Xiao Tian uttered,

"Xiao Tian, now that I have gained insight about battle instinct, we're not on the same level anymore. Haha." Zhao Sheng believed that he was stronger than Xiao Tian now.

In the past, they were equal, but now with the help of battle instinct, he was sure that he could beat Xiao Tian.

Xiao Tian only smiled because he didn't care about it. Zhao Sheng was his best friend and always helped him, so he didn't care if Zhao Sheng was stronger than him.

At this moment, Lan Ruoxi arrived. "Greeting, Elder Zhao."

"Oh! Ruoxi, you have arrived." Zhao Chen spoke when he saw Lan Ruoxi.

"Yes. I'm sorry for coming late." Lan Ruoxi was startled when she saw Xiao Tian. "Young master Xiao, you are here too?"

"Yes." Xiao Tian responded as he smiled. "If I had known you were also invited, I would have come to your place before coming here."

Lan Ruoxi smiled before looking at Zhao Sheng. "Congratulations, young master Zhao for breaking through to the mid-level master stage."

"Thank you." Zhao Sheng smiled happily. "Big sister Ruoxi, how about we spar later? Maybe I can beat you now."

Before Lan Ruoxi could answer it, Zhao Chen spoke, "Brat, she is still too strong for you. You won't be able to defeat her."

"Really?" Zhao Sheng was disappointed after hearing his grandfather's words. "Xiao Tian, how about we spar now? I will show you how strong I am now. Hehe."

"Good idea." Zhao Xun spoke abruptly

"I also agree with this." Zhao Chen added.

"Emm. Can we not do that?" it was not like he was afraid of Zhao Sheng, but it was because he was not in the mood to fight.

"Why? You are not afraid of my son, right?" Zhao Xun wanted to know how strong Xiao Tian was now.

Because Xiao Tian was also a genius in martial arts, he was sure that he was stronger now.

"Young master Xiao, why don't you accept it?" Lan Ruoxi added.

The corner of his lips twitched after hearing her words. Because he could not refuse anymore, he decided to accept it. "Fine."

"Good." Zhao Sheng responded happily.

Then they headed to the backyard.

Chapter 786 - Xiao Tian And Zhao Sheng Spar Again

6-7 minutes

After they reached the backyard, Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng did a little warm-up. When Xiao Tian saw the expression of Lan Ruoxi and the others, the corner of his lips twitched.

'It seems like they really want to see my fight against Zhao Sheng.'

Xiao Tian had no idea as to why they really wanted to see their fight.

'Is it because we were equal in the past?'

Several months ago, Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng fought for the first time. Even though he had the upper hand in the end, but that was because he used a dirty trick. Otherwise, their fight would be equal.

After warming up for about a minute, Zhao Sheng spoke, "Xiao Tian, are you ready?"

At this moment, Zhao Sheng's blood was boiling in excitement because Xiao Tian was the only person who could fight him on par in the past, so he wanted to know how strong they were now.

"It seems like you are excited." Xiao Tian could understand Zhao Sheng's feelings because he was like him, a battle maniac.

"Of course." Zhao Sheng answered instantly. "Grandfather, can you be the referee?"

"Fine." Zhao Chen walked forwards. "Are you ready?"

Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng nodded their heads.

"Fight." Zhao Chen spoke.

Xiao Tian dashed towards Zhao Sheng and began to attack him. Like when they fought for the first time, the two of them had no advantage in the fight.

Both of them were geniuses and also on the same level, so they could dodge or block each other's attacks. Every time Xiao Tian attacked Zhao Sheng, Zhao Sheng could block or avoid it.

The same thing happened when Zhao Sheng attacked Xiao Tian. This happened from the start as if they could read each other's minds and know what they were going to do.

"Oh! So Xiao Tian had broken through to the mid-level master stage too." Zhao Chen uttered.

He knew that Xiao Tian was a genius in martial arts, but he didn't expect that he would break through to the mid-level master stage as fast as his grandson.

Like Zhao Chen, the other Zhao family members were shocked when they found out that Xiao Tian was a martial artist at the mid-level master stage.

"Yes. He broke through to the mid-level master stage yesterday." of course, Lan Ruoxi knew about this because he broke through in her place.

Zhao Chen looked at Lan Ruoxi and uttered, "Oh! You already know about this?!"

"Yes. He broke through to the mid-level master stage in my place." Lan Ruoxi gave an honest answer. "It seems like they are equal again."

"No. You're mistaken." Zhao Chen disagreed with Lan Ruoxi. "This time, I'm sure Xiao Tian will lose the fight."

"I think so too." Zhao Xun added.

"Oh! Why do you think like that?" Lan Ruoxi had no idea that Zhao Sheng had gained insight about battle instinct, so she wanted to know why they said Xiao Tian would lose the fight.

"You will know the reason later." Zhao Chen didn't tell her the reason why he was sure that Zhao Sheng would win the fight.

"I'm getting more curious now." Lan Ruoxi paid attention to Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng again.

"Xiao Tian, I will fight you seriously now." Zhao Sheng then tried to become one with nature so that he could use battle instinct again.

However, because he still hadn't mastered it, he failed many times, and as a result, he got hit by Xiao Tian many times.

'Damn it!'

Zhao Sheng tried to become one with nature again.

Because he had used it three times before, Zhao Sheng finally managed to be in a state of battle instinct.

"The real fight starts now." Zhao Chen smiled happily when Zhao Sheng was in a state of battle instinct.

"Oh! Battle instinct?" Lan Ruoxi finally understood why Zhao Chen said that Xiao Tian would lose the fight.

'I didn't expect young master Zhao to gain insight about battle instinct too.'

Lan Ruoxi suddenly remembered that Xiao Tian had gained insight about battle instinct too.

'So, there are two candidates for the Ruler now, huh? The martial artists of this generation are really interesting.'

Lan Ruoxi suddenly wanted to know how strong they were in the future.

"The winner has not yet been decided. We don't know what will happen later." Lan Ruoxi didn't tell them that Xiao Tian had gained insight about battle instinct as well.

Zhao Chen didn't say anything anymore. He was sure that Zhao Sheng would win the fight.

Because Zhao Sheng was in a state of battle instinct, he had the upper hand in the battle. This left Xiao Tian dumbfounded.

'Why did he suddenly become so much stronger?'

Xiao Tian tried to fight back, but the result was the same. He then suddenly remembered Zhao Chen's words.

'Don't tell me....'

Xiao Tian finally understood the reason why Zhao Sheng suddenly became much stronger.

'Become one with nature and feel the energy of heaven and earth.'

Xiao Tian tried to become one with nature as well.

Zhao Chen and the others, who saw Xiao Tian, had smug faces.

'What? You want to use battle instinct too?! Do you think it's easy to gain insight about battle instinct?'

Those were the words that appeared in their minds.

Because Xiao Tian was a genius in martial arts and had used it once, he quickly managed to get into battle instinct mode.

*Boom...

A warm and cold aura suddenly covered Xiao Tian's body.

Lan Ruoxi smiled softly when Xiao Tian was in a state of battle instinct. Of course, she was not surprised because he also used battle instinct yesterday.

"This.... This...." the expression of deep shock blossomed on the faces of Zhao Chen and the others.

They knew that Xiao Tian was a genius in martial arts, but they didn't expect that he could gain insight about battle instinct easily when he was still in the mid-level master stage.

"Battle...battle instinct?" Zhao Chen said in disbelief.

He found it hard to believe what he was seeing.

'Since when did gaining insight into battle instinct become this easy?'

Those were the words that appeared in his mind.

Chapter 787 - He Is Also A Candidate To Be A Ruler

7-8 minutes

"I forgot to tell you that young master Xiao also gained insight about battle instinct yesterday." Lan Ruoxi spoke normally as if gaining battle instinct was an easy thing.

"So this is the reason why you said Xiao Tian would not lose the fight earlier?" Zhao Chen suddenly remembered Lan Ruoxi's words. "Did he gain insight about battle instinct when he broke through to the mid-level master stage?"

"Yes." Lan Ruoxi gave an honest answer.

"I didn't expect him to gain insight about battle instinct as well." Zhao Chen thought Xiao Tian only broke through to the mid-level master stage, but he was wrong.

"Me too." Lan Ruoxi uttered, "I was also startled when I saw it yesterday."

Now the fight between Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng was equal again. None of them had the upper hand.

Zhao Sheng was shocked when Xiao Tian suddenly could fight him equally. Because he was in the battle instinct mode, he was sure that Xiao Tian had gained insight about battle instinct too.

Even though he could not defeat Xiao Tian, he was pleased because, with this, he had a rival again.

Previously, he thought Xiao Tian would not be his opponent anymore because he had gained insight about battle instinct. He didn't expect that Xiao Tian would gain insight too.

"Alright. Let's stop now." because Zhao Sheng knew that none of them would win the fight, he decided to stop.

Because Zhao Sheng said so, Xiao Tian instantly stopped attacking Zhao Sheng.

At this moment, Zhao Xun wore a displeased expression

'He is also a candidate to become a Ruler.'

Zhao Xun clenched his left hand.

When Zhao Sheng gained insight about battle instinct, he was thrilled because, with this, there was a high possibility that Zhao Sheng would become the Ruler.

If Zhao Sheng had managed to achieve that, the Zhao family would have regained their former glory when Zhao Zhi was still alive.

Now that he knew that Xiao Tian also had a high possibility to be the Ruler, he suddenly felt uneasy.

Sure, Xiao Tian and Zhao Sheng were friends, but still, it was something more important than friends because it was related to the future of the Zhao family.

Zhao Sheng walked towards Xiao Tian before speaking, "Damn it! I thought I was stronger than you earlier. I didn't expect you to gain insight about battle instinct too. As expected of my friend, we are indeed meant to be friends. Haha."

At this moment, Xiao Tian was pleased.

'So, that feeling is called battle instinct. That means I also used battle instinct when I was dodging the arrows yesterday.'

Xiao Tian suddenly remembered the time when he was trying to break through to the mid-level master stage.

'I have to remember that feeling and master it. It will help me greatly in a fight later.'

Xiao Tian realized that he still hadn't mastered battle instinct and could only use it for seven seconds, so it was almost useless to use it against an opponent who was much stronger than him because it was impossible to defeat them in seven seconds. At most, he could only injury them.

'Hmmf?'

Xiao Tian instantly turned his head towards Zhao Xun.

At this moment, Zhao Xun forgot to control himself, and as a result, an angry aura came out of his body.

Not only Xiao Tian, who was looking at Zhao Xun, but Lan Ruoxi, Zhao Sheng, and Zhao Chen were also staring at him.

"Father, don't you dare have bad intentions towards Xiao Tian. He's my friend, so I won't forgive you if you do something bad to him." Zhao Sheng had a bad relationship with his father, so he defended Xiao Tian.

"Zhao Xun!" Zhao Chen could understand why Zhao Xun suddenly had an aura of anger.

But releasing that aura in front of his grandson was a bad choice because he knew how close Zhao Sheng was to Xiao Tian.

*Huis...

An aura of anger instantly disappeared from Zhao Xun's body.

However, he didn't apologize and only turned his head to the other side. Of course, he knew that his behavior was rude, but he didn't show the slightest care about it because he did it for the sake of the Zhao family.

At this moment, Xiao Tian's smartphone suddenly rang. This made Xiao Tian happy. Since he didn't want to be rude to Zhao Chen, Xiao Tian spoke, "Excuse me, Elder Zhao, I want to pick up the phone first."

"Alright." Zhao Chen responded.

"Liang Jun, what's wrong?" Xiao Tian asked after picking up the phone.

"Sir, there are some documents that require your signature quickly. Can you sign it today?" Liang Junwent straight to the point.

"I will go to the company now." the reason why he decided to go to the Eternal Beauty company immediately was that he didn't want to be around Zhao Xun for a long time.

So, he was going to use this excuse to leave the Zhao family home quickly. Of course, he was furious when he found out that Zhao Xun had bad intentions towards him earlier, but he could not do anything about it and could only treat it like nothing happened.

Zhao Sheng was his best friend, and Zhao Sheng had helped him many times, so he could not be angry at Zhao Xun because he didn't want to ruin his friendship with Zhao Sheng.

"Alright. I will prepare the documents now." Actually, Liang Jun was startled by Xiao Tian's words.

He knew that his boss was a busy person because he knew who Xiao Tian was. Not only did he own two companies and one restaurant, but he was also a gang leader, so he had many things to do every day.

After hanging up the phone, Xiao Tian walked towards Zhao Chen. "Elder Zhao, my subordinate informed me that there are some documents that require my signature right now, so I can't stay longer."

"Oh! What a pity." Zhao Chen responded. "Earlier, I wanted to have lunch with you, but since you're busy, we'll do that another time."

"Eh! You want to leave now?" Zhao Sheng was sad after hearing Xiao Tian's words because he still wanted to hang out with Xiao Tian.

"Yes." Xiao Tian responded as he nodded his head. "Let's hang out tomorrow."

"Good." Zhao Sheng spoke, "Let's meet at big sister Ruoxi's place tomorrow."

"All right." Xiao Tian responded.

Because Xiao Tian wanted to leave, Lan Ruoxi immediately spoke, "Elder Zhao, I have to go back too. There is something I have to do."

"Eh! You too, big sister Ruoxi?" Zhao Sheng became even sadder when he found out that Lan Ruoxi also wanted to leave. "Can't you stay here a little longer?"

"Brat, she is a busy person, not like you." after saying that, Zhao Chen turned his head towards Lan Ruoxi. "Alright."

After that, Xiao Tian and Lan Ruoxi left.

"Sir, these are the documents that require your signature." Liang Jun said after placing the documents on Xiao Tian's desk.

"Good job, Liang Jun. You really helped me earlier." Xiao Tian responded.

Liang Jun had no idea as to why Xiao Tian suddenly said something like that. He remembered that he didn't do anything earlier. "A..ah. Thank you, sir."

After Xiao Tian finished his work, he laid down on the couch.

'Just who paid the assassin to kill me?'

Chapter 788 - Father, Should We Kill Him?

6-7 minutes

Zhao Family House, Private Room.

"I didn't expect Xiao Tian to gain insight about battle instinct too." Zhao Chen spoke abruptly.

"Father, should we kill him?" Zhao Xun inquired.

Because Xiao Tian had gained insight about battle instinct when he was still in the mid-level master stage, they knew that he would become a very strong martial artist in the future.

There was even a high chance that he would become the Ruler later. This made Zhao Xun and Zhao Chen feel uncomfortable.

Because Zhao Sheng had gained insight about battle instinct, they wanted to make sure that he would become the Ruler in the future.

With this, their family would regain their former glory. That was why they wanted to eliminate all of their rivals.

But the problem was, Xiao Tian was Zhao Sheng's best friend. If Zhao Sheng found out that they killed Xiao Tian later, there was a high chance that he would stop practicing martial arts.

Now, Zhao Sheng was their only hope of regaining their family's glory. They wanted to make sure that he would never stop practicing martial arts because it would be a huge loss to the Zhao family.

Zhao Chen didn't say a word. He was thinking about whether they should eliminate Xiao Tian or not.

"We can pay someone to do that later." Zhao Xun knew what his father had in mind. "We have a lot of connections so I'm sure we can hide it from Sheng. He won't know that we are the mastermind."

"Sigh. Why did he have to gain insight about battle instinct?" actually, Zhao Chen liked Xiao Tian a bit because he was Zhao Sheng's good friend and also a genius in martial arts.

But now Xiao Tian's skill in martial arts was a threat to the future of the Zhao family.

"How is it, father?" Zhao Xun asked again. "If you agree, I wi-"

*Bang...

Before Zhao Xun had finished his words, the sound of someone slamming the door resounded in the private room.

Zhao Xun and Zhao Chen instantly turned their heads towards the source of the sound. When they found out that the person who had just slammed the door was Zhao Sheng, they panicked a little. Of course, they didn't show it on their faces and tried their best to remain calm.

"What did you say? Both of you want to kill Xiao Tian?!" Zhao Sheng's eyes were filled with coldness.

He knew that his father disliked Xiao Tian, but he didn't expect that his father wanted to kill Xiao Tian. And what made him even angrier was that his grandfather was about to agree earlier.

"What are you talking about, Sheng? Who wants to kill Xiao Tian? We only want to kill Ju Duan because he has bad intentions towards your big brother." Of course, Zhao Xun was lying because there was no way he could tell the truth.

'Did he hear everything?'

He asked in his head.

"That's right." Zhao Chen added. "Recently Ju Duan has become more and more arrogant so we want to kill him to let everyone know that the Zhao family is not a family they can mess with."

"You don't need to make excuses." Of course, Zhao Sheng didn't believe their words. "I heard everything earlier."

Because his father gave off an aura of anger when he found out that Xiao Tian had also gained insight about battle instinct, Zhao Sheng decided to follow him secretly earlier.

He knew that his father would do something to Xiao Tian, but he didn't expect that his father wanted to kill Xiao Tian.

"Are you afraid that Xiao Tian will become a Ruler in the future? Are you both so scared of him to the point you want to kill him now? isn't our Zhao family a great family?" each question Zhao Sheng threw to his father and grandfather, his voice was colder than before.

"Sheng, this is related to the future of our Zhao family, so we cannot underestimate it." Zhao Xun replied. "What if he suddenly wants to destroy our family after becoming the Ruler?"

When someone became the Ruler, he/she would be treated like a king/queen so he/she could order any martial artist to do anything. It was the same as in the jungle, the weak obeyed the strong.

When someone became a Ruler, that meant he/ she was the king/queen of all martial artists in the whole of China.

"He won't do that. I know him very well. He is someone who treats others based on their behavior. If you treat him well, he will treat you better, but if you cause him trouble, he will make you suffer." Zhao Sheng had known Xiao Tian for over a year so he knew Xiao Tian very well.

He then continued, "Instead of killing him, wouldn't it be better to build a good relationship with him?"

What Zhao Sheng said was indeed true. The other option for them was to build a good relationship with Xiao Tian but if they did that, they would have to obey him when he really became the Ruler.

"I have a good relationship with Xiao Tian, so I'm sure he won't destroy our family or make us obey him if he really becomes the Ruler." Zhao Sheng uttered, "I even believe that he will still treat you nicely if you don't cause trouble for him. If I know you kill him, I will never practice martial arts again."

*Bang...

Zhao Sheng slammed the door again.

Zhao Xun and Zhao Chen exchanged a glance with each other before sighing.

Eternal Beauty Company, Xiao Tian's office.

Xiao Tian remembered that lately, he had no enemies.

'Wait!'

Xiao Tian suddenly remembered about Chao Ximeng's family.

'Don't tell me....'

Xiao Tian instantly sat up and called Chun Hua. Because he suspected that the Chao family was the one who paid the assassin, he ordered Chun Hua and four of his other underlings to keep an eye on them.

He also told her to find information about their family and give it to him later. Yes. if they were the ones who paid the assassin, Xiao Tian would use that information to teach them a lesson.

'Now what should I do with that assassin?'

Chapter 789 - Meeting Chao Yang Sheng

7-8 minutes

After working, Xiao Tian went home. Today, Flower also tried to kill him but like yesterday, she failed again because several people suddenly appeared when they were fighting.

At first, Xiao Tian wanted to ask Mu Huo for help but since Mu Huo was looking for information about the Chao family, he decided against it.

At 08:00 pm, Mu Huo suddenly called him. Xiao Tian was pleased and instantly traveled to the Blue Ice Lotus gang headquarters when he found out that Mu Huo had already obtained information about the Chao family.

"Boss, this is the Chao family's information." Mu Huo gave the documents to Xiao Tian.

Without waiting for another second, Xiao Tian began reading the documents. His lips curled into a grin when he found out that Chao Ming Hai's younger brother had always wanted to take over the Fibers company, the Chao family company.

When Mu Huo saw Xiao Tian's expression, he knew that Xiao Tian had found a way to destroy Chao Ming Hai.

'How can this young man have so many ideas? What has he been eating all this time and what is inside his head look like?"

Ever since Mu Huo worked under Xiao Tian, he had always been amazed by Xiao Tian's brainpower. It was as if Xiao Tian never ran out of ideas.

He was older than Xiao Tian and had more life experience than Xiao Tian so sometimes he wondered what made him different from Xiao Tian.

"Mu Huo, let's meet this person now." Xiao Tian uttered, "You know all the places he usually visits, right?"

"I know." Mu Huo responded.

Then Xiao Tian and Mu Huo traveled to the Bamboo Restaurant. Chao Yang Sheng, the younger brother of Chao Ming Hai, usually had dinner at the Bamboo Restaurant.

After they reached their destination, Xiao Tian and Mu Huo headed to the VIP area.

"Boss, there he is." Mu Huo pointed his right index finger at a mature man who was flirting with a beautiful young woman.

Xiao Tian was not surprised when he saw them because, from the information, he knew that Chao Yang Sheng liked to spend time with beautiful women.

"Boss, are you sure you want to meet him using your real identity?" Mu Huo inquired.

Usually, Xiao Tian always used a fake identity whenever he wanted to do some dirty work. For this reason, Xiao Tian had many identities. He even forgot how many identities Xiao Tian had.

"Yes. because it would be easier to carry out my plan." Previously, he also wanted to hide his identity because he was afraid that it could ruin his good image, but he suddenly changed his mind. "Your job is to keep an eye on our surroundings later."

"Leave it to me, boss." Mu Huo spoke.

"Haha." Chao Yang Sheng laughed happily as he kissed the beautiful woman's left cheek and wrapped his right arm around her waist.

"Brother Chao, you should control yourself. Hehe." The young lady hit Chao Yang Sheng's chest gently.

"You are so beautiful, so how can I control myse-" Chao Yang Sheng stopped his words halfway when he saw Xiao Tian and Mu Huo.

"Good evening, Mr. Chao." Xiao Tian spoke as he smiled. "Could I have a word with you?"

Chao Yang Sheng was curious about what Xiao Tian wanted to talk about.

'Isn't he....Xiao Tian? Why does he suddenly want to talk to me?'

Chao Yang Sheng shifted his gaze from Xiao Tian to Mu Huo.

Currently, Mu Huo was standing behind Xiao Tian, keeping an eye on their surroundings. It was as if he wanted to ensure Xiao Tian's safety.

When Xiao Tian noticed Chao Yang Sheng looking at Mu Huo, he smiled. "Don't worry. I have no ill intentions towards you. He is my bodyguard so don't mind him."

"What do you want to talk about?" Chao Yang Sheng asked curiously.

Instead of answering immediately, Xiao Tian looked at the lady who was sitting next to Chao Yang Sheng. "Before that, can you let her leave for a moment?"

When Chao Yang Sheng saw the sincerity on Xiao Tian's face, he turned his head towards the young lady and spoke, "Baby, can you leave us alone for a moment?"

"All right." The lady rose to her feet before walking away.

"Now we are alone. Can you tell me the reason why you want to meet me now?" even though Xiao Tian brought Mu Huo, Chao Yang Sheng was not worried because Xiao Tian did not show any ill intentions towards him.

"The reason why I came to meet you is that I want us to cooperate." Xiao Tian responded.

"Cooperate? On what?" because Xiao Tian didn't say it in detail, Chao Yang Sheng didn't get Xiao Tian's words.

"I will be honest with you now." Xiao Tian spoke and paused for a second before he continued. "A few days ago, Chao Ximeng and Chao Dong kidnapped my woman and as a result, I put them in prison."

He then continued, "However, since they are missing now, Chao Ming Hai suspects that I'm the mastermind behind their disappearance. For this reason, he paid an assassin to kill me. The assassin had tried to kill me twice but luckily, she failed. That's why I want us to work together. I want to put him in jail too."

After hearing Xiao Tian's words, Chao Yang Sheng finally understood the reason why Xiao Tian was hiring a bodyguard now.

But what he didn't understand was that why Xiao Tian met him. Chao Ming Hai was his older brother, so if Xiao Tian wanted to teach Chao Ming Hai a lesson, he shouldn't have told him that.

Xiao Tian even wanted him to cooperate with Xiao Tian to imprison Chao Ming Hai. "Are you aware that he is my older brother? I can tell him your plan, you know?"

"I know that you are his younger brother, but I'm sure you won't report this to him." Of course, Xiao Tian dared to say this because he had read the information about them.

If he had not known that Chao Yang Sheng had been eyeing the Fibers company for a long time, he would not have met Chao Yang Sheng.

"What makes you so sure about that?" Chao Yang Sheng was sure that Xiao Tian had no relationship with the Chao family so he was curious about Xiao Tian's answer.

"I know you've been wanting to take over the Fibers company for a long time. I also know the contribution you have made for the company." Xiao Tian replied, "That's why as long as you help me, I will help you take over the Fibers company. Our company can even cooperate later."

Chao Yang Sheng's face darkened when Xiao Tian knew that he had been wanting to take over the Fibers company since long ago.

"Don't worry. I just want us to work together. I have no ill intentions towards you." Xiao Tian repeated his words. "You already know that I want to put Chao Ming Hai in jail so there's no way I will talk about this if I want to do something bad to you."

Chao Yang Sheng still didn't say anything. At this moment, he was thinking about whether he should agree to cooperate with Xiao Tian or not.

He was thinking about the advantages and disadvantages of cooperating with Xiao Tian. And after thinking about it carefully, Chao Yang Sheng spoke, "I agree to cooperate with you."

Chapter 790 - Xiao Tian's Plans

"I agree to cooperate with you." Chao Yang Sheng knew that they would commit crimes later, but he didn't care.

He had been wanting to take over the Fibers company for a long time. He had also done a lot to make the Fibers company grow in recent years.

However, his father still chose his older brother to inherit the family business even though he had worked so hard to make the family company bigger.

Chao Yang Sheng was sure that his contribution to the company was far greater than his older brother's contribution.

Due to this reason, his relationship with his older brother was getting worse day by day. Of course, he had tried to take over the company before, but all his efforts were in vain.

That was why he had been waiting for the right moment to strike again. But that right moment still hadn't appeared.

"So, what are we going to do later?" Chao Yang Sheng inquired.

"First, we will slander Chao Ming Hai and his sons." Xiao Tian voiced out his idea.

"Slander them? How?" Chao Yang Sheng asked again.

"You know both of his sons have bad personalities, right?" Xiao Tian spoke and paused for a second before he continued, "We will make all of his business partners stop cooperating with Fibers company. And if they ask the reason, you can say that he or his sons have humiliated all the children or relatives of their business partners. That's why they want to stop working together."

"Your idea is good, but if all the business partners stop their cooperation with my family company, our company will go bankrupt later." Chao Yang Sheng agreed with Xiao Tian's idea, but his idea was too dangerous because it was related to the future of his family company.

"You don't have to worry about that." Xiao Tian replied. "We will only make them stop their cooperation until Chao Ming Hai steps down from his position. You can get them to cooperate with your company again later."

Xiao Tian then continued, "With this, everyone will have a good impression of you because they will think that you have saved the company from bankruptcy. Not only that, but I will also cooperate with your company later. I will even bring some companies to work with yours as well. When Chao Ming Hai has no position in the company, we will slander him again and put him in prison."

"How can I be sure that you won't betray me later?" even though Xiao Tian's plan was good, but Chao Yang Sheng wanted to make sure that Xiao Tian would keep his promise later.

"You can bring the cooperation document tomorrow, and I will sign it immediately." Xiao Tian had no intention of lying to Chao Yang Sheng because Chao Yang Sheng could be of use to him in the future.

After hearing Xiao Tian's words, Chao Yang Sheng started to believe Xiao Tian's words. "But how to get all business partners to stop cooperating with my family company?"

"Easy!" Xiao Tian responded instantly. "We just need to force them to do that."

"Force them?" Chao Yang Sheng said in surprise.

All of his family's business partners were from middle-class families, so almost all of them had bodyguards. It was difficult to force them to do that.

"Yes. force them." Xiao Tian repeated his words.

"But they..." Chao Yang Sheng could not finish his words.

Even though Chao Yang Sheng did not finish his words, Xiao Tian understood what he had in mind. "You may not believe it, but I'm the leader of the gang. The name of my gang is the Blue Ice Lotus gang, one of the most famous gangs in Shanghai. Currently, I have 120 underlings, and all of them are skilled in martial arts."

The expression of deep shock blossomed on Chao Yang Sheng's face.

'What?! He is the leader of the gang?! And on top of that, his gang is one of the most famous gangs in Shanghai?'

Of course, Chao Yang Sheng knew the Blue Ice Lotus gang because he tried to pay them to do something for him in the past.

"Really?" Chao Yang Sheng wanted to make sure that Xiao Tian was telling the truth.

"If you don't believe me, I will bring you to my gang after signing the contract documents tomorrow. How is it?" Xiao Tian had guessed that Chao Yang Sheng would not believe his words easily. That was why he wanted to bring Chao Yang Sheng to his gang.

"Sure." Chao Yang Sheng answered, "Let's do as you planned."

"Good." Xiao Tian smiled happily. "Don't worry, if our plan fails, I still have a trump card."

If Xiao Tian and Chao Yang Sheng could not force them to stop cooperation with Fibers company tomorrow, he would bring Lan Ruoxi and Zhao Sheng. Xiao Tian was sure with their background, his plan would go smoothly.

"This is my business card." Xiao Tian gave his business card to Chao Yang Sheng. "You can contact me through this number later."

After Chao Yang Sheng accepted it, he also gave his business card to Xiao Tian. They would work together from tomorrow, so they had to save each other's numbers.

Since there was nothing to discuss, Xiao Tian left. At first, he wanted to go home but changed his mind after thinking for a few seconds.

He decided to go to the Blue Ice Lotus gang headquarters to discuss his plans with his underlings. After calling Chun Hua to return to their base, Xiao Tian started to explain his plan.

"Mizu, like before, your job is to pretend to be me if I'm not here." Xiao Tian spoke to Mizu, one of the Shadow gang members.

"Understood, leader." It was not the first time he would pretend to be Xiao Tian, so Mizu didn't have any questions and accepted it right away.

Because he was at the Blue Ice Lotus gang headquarters, he decided to torture Chao Ximeng and the others before going home.

"I'm Home." Xiao Tian spoke happily when he was in the guest room. "Eh! Where are Ning'er and the others?"

"They went out to buy something." Ye Qingyu gave an honest answer.

"I see." Xiao Tian then sat next to her. "Then, we can lovey-dovey now."