

# I Want a Lifetime with You

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“But the doctor said you’re not well. Wei, don’t be so stubborn. Your health is more important!” Su Su said as she gave Shi Wei a look. Su Su was embarrassed as she noticed Yu Qing’s face had darkened. Hence, she gently tugged at Shi Wei’s sleeves. “Wei, listen to me. Your health is more important.”

“But my reputation is the most important thing in my life. Who knows if this hospital is safe? What if someone finds out I’m here and sells the news to the paparazzi? I’ll be finished! Moreover, if Xicheng were to...”

Su Su quickly covered Shi Wei’s mouth before she could even finish speaking. She gave Shi Wei a wink and said, “Wei, this will only be between us and the doctor. Besides, you can just use my name during registration for admission.”

Su Su turned to face Yu Qing at that. “Doctor, is that allowed?”

Yu Qing looked at Shi Wei and Su Su coldly, having finally recalled who this woman was. Well, this is surprising.

However, since Yu Qing had to maintain professionalism as a doctor, she simply nodded. “Well, it’s allowed, but I must say you’re a very generous young lady!”

Yu Qing gave Su Su an intriguing look. Su Su and Shi Wei quickly realized what Yu Qing was implying. Su Su kept quiet, but Shi Wei could not control herself and lashed out. “You’re just a doctor. What’s with that look? So what if I caught some stigmatized disease? I’m going to file a complaint about your rude behavior to the hospital!”

Yu Qing found her threat amusing. “You can try!”

“You...”

“Wei!” Su Su went pale with fright upon hearing that. She quickly shook her head at Shi Wei and whispered, “This is a private hospital belonging to Su Shaoqing, don’t do anything stupid! Moreover, you have to lay low for now. What if someone finds out about this?”

Shi Wei paled as she clutched her handbag tightly. Her eyes gleamed dangerously as she masked her emotions behind a pair of sunglasses.

After Su Su calmed Shi Wei down, she walked over to Yu Qing and spoke to her courteously. “I’m so sorry, Doctor. Wei is in a bad mood today. How about this? We will do the surgery immediately and admit into the hospital. However, everything will be registered under my name and she will be admitted into the VIP ward. What do you say?”

“OK!”

Yu Qing relented and nodded. “I’ll arrange for the surgery immediately.”

“Wait!” Su Su called out to her. “Doctor Yu, could you please keep this a secret? What I mean is can you perform Wei’s surgery alone?”

“Alone?” Yu Qing frowned. “You know, I... Fine!” It’s not a major surgery anyway. “I will arrange for it immediately!”

Shi Nuan recovered from her shock only after Shi Wei, Yu Qing, and the others left. So... Shi Wei’s illness has nothing to do with Fu Xicheng?

This information was too much for Shi Nuan to bear at the moment. She shook her head slightly upon that thought.

She thought Shi Wei had snatched Fu Xicheng away from her because she was crazily in love with him. However, it looked like Fu Xicheng wasn’t Shi Wei’s only option now.

Shi Nuan didn't know what to think of the situation anymore. She felt terrible about it.

Fu Xicheng went behind Shi Nuan's back and cheated with Shi Wei, even though Shi Nuan had loved him wholeheartedly. Shi Nuan should have felt happy about the news, but she wasn't.

Shi Nuan took some time to digest everything before heading out. However, she was greeted with Su Su's gaze the moment she opened the door. "You..." Shi Nuan was caught by surprise.

"Shi Nuan?" Su Su was also surprised to see Shi Nuan. Realization washed over her as she noticed Shi Nuan had come out from the break room. "You... heard everything?"

Shi Nuan nodded.

Isn't it obvious? She had been in the break room all this while. So of course she heard everything!

Su Su paled slightly upon hearing that. "Shi Nuan, you... I..."

"Don't worry, I'm not that kind of person." Shi Nuan smiled. "Nobody knows about this except for you and Doctor Yu. You two will be the prime suspects if anyone were to find out about this. You're worried that I will put the blame on you, right?"

Su Su nodded.

Shi Nuan chuckled. "Do you think I'm the kind to do that?"

She continued to smile as Su Su kept quiet. "I'm actually quite curious as to why you're still hanging around Shi Wei after what happened the last time."

Su Su bit her lip. "You wouldn't understand!"

Shi Nuan nodded. "Indeed. I don't want to, either. But don't you worry, I won't do anything to you or Shi Wei. You should have realized that yourself after what happened the last time."

"I know!" Su Su was well aware of everything that had happened thus far. Shi Wei talked her into framing Shi Nuan at that time, which was why she had to face the consequences all by herself in the end.

Perhaps Su Su wouldn't have had to go through so much pain and suffering if the person she framed was Shi Nuan, and Shi Nuan alone. But Shi Nuan had Fu Chengyan to back her up. Fu Chengyan wasn't a character one could easily mess around with. Hence, she could only bear the consequences alone for having messed around with Fu Chengyan.

Shi Nuan couldn't help but feel sorry for Su Su, but she quickly brushed it away. She pondered for a while before saying, "What happened today..."

Su Su bit her lip. "Our company doesn't know about it!"

Indeed, Shi Wei would be in serious trouble if the company were to find out about this. Not only that, but she also herself would be affected, too.

Shi Nuan couldn't figure out what was going through Su Su's head as she kept her eyes lowered.

Shi Nuan pursed her lips. "First time?"

Su Su raised her head and stared at Shi Nuan, puzzled. Shi Nuan continued, "I was just curious about how it happened. Is it her first time or has it been a while?"

Su Su was at a loss for words all of a sudden. She always had the impression that Shi Nuan was a reserved woman. Hence, she was stumped when she suddenly asked such a sharp question.

“Can’t tell?”

Su Su shook her head. “This is not her first time. You’re also well aware that there are a lot of rules in this industry. Oftentimes, things are out of our control, so much so that we eventually get used to them.”

“Out of your control?” Shi Nuan found it amusing. She wouldn’t have found herself in that situation if she was a virtuous woman. Moreover, it didn’t make sense that Shi Wei was having such a bad time in the industry since she hailed from the prominent Shi family. Surely her family would help her out no matter how bad of a situation they were in.

Shi Nuan didn’t buy it, but neither was she interested in probing further.

“Whatever. I won’t tell anyone about this. “ After all, she had been Shi Wei’s sister for so many years now. While Shi Wei had always been at odds with her, Shi Nuan could not bring herself to act like Shi Wei——Shi Nuan would resent herself. “You should go check up on her and admit her into the hospital for a few days!”

“Ok.”

Su Su couldn’t quite put her finger on it but she could sense that Shi Nuan had a particularly fierce presence these days. Perhaps it was because she had been with Fu Chengyan for a long time now.

“By the way, why are you here?” Su Su only just realized it was unusual to find Shi Nuan in the obstetrics and gynecology department of a hospital.

Shi Nuan curled her lips and was about to explain herself when her phone rang. It was Su Shaoqing’s number. “Hello, Shaoqing?”

“Mrs. Fu, you probably have to wait a little while longer. I can’t leave right now as I still have a patient to attend to here!” Su Shaoqing seemed to be in a hurry as he spoke. “The first operating table, now!” He then continued, “Mrs. Fu, I have to

perform surgery now. It's not anything major. How about I give Liang Lin a call and get him to come to pick you up?"

"No need, Shaoqing. I can head back myself." Shi Nuan smiled. "You should focus on your surgery now; I'll be fine."

"No way, you're pregnant now. If Fu Chengyan were to find out I left you on your own, he will kill me!" Su Shaoqing said anxiously.

Shi Nuan smiled helplessly. "I'll be fine. Yan got Jiang Hu's lackeys to protect me. Nothing will happen. Ok, focus on your surgery now."

Shi Nuan hung up the phone with that. She raised her brow when she noticed Su Su staring at her. "Why are you looking at me like that, Ms. Su?"

Su Su shook her head. "It's nothing. I'm leaving now as I have other things to tend to."

Shi Nuan nodded as her gaze followed Su Su out of the room. She then gave Fu Chengyan a call informing him that she would head back herself as Su Shaoqing was busy.

Fu Chengyan immediately returned her call. "Shaoqing is busy?"

"Yeah. Anyway, I'll be fine. I'll come back on my own!"

"No way. Wait there. I'll get Zhou Zheng to come to pick you up immediately!" Fu Chengyan said firmly. "You can take a walk around the hospital first and chat with the nurses at the nurse station if you're bored."

Shi Nuan was rendered speechless. "That's not necessary. How could you ask me to chat with the nurses when they're at work?" Shi Nuan felt that the people around her had become pretty weird ever since she became pregnant. "Yan, don't be so nervous. I'm only two months in. You really don't have to be so nervous about it."

“Be a good girl and wait for Zhou Zheng to come to pick you up!” Fu Chengyan instructed and ignored Shi Nuan’s protest. “Be good!”

Shi Nuan frowned helplessly, feeling nonplussed. On the other hand, Fu Chengyan had already hung up the phone to call Zhou Zheng.

Shi Nuan couldn’t do anything about it except to roast her husband on social media as she was bored out of her mind: I fell pregnant and have an extremely paranoid husband. What do I do? Help!

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Shi Nuan's social media friends went into a frenzy when they saw her post as she awaited Zhou Zheng to pick her up at the hospital.

Song Rongrong and Su Yian immediately commented below her post: You're pregnant? Why didn't you tell us about it?

There was also Pei Jingxiu and others who had been invited to follow one another on social media out of courtesy. Everyone commented below Shi Nuan's post the moment they saw it. Everyone except for Fu Chengyan and Su Shaoqing.

One was in the middle of a meeting, whereas the other one was performing surgery, so of course they had yet to see it.

Amongst those who commented was Shen Shixiu. He had been friends with Shi Nuan on social media even though Shi Nuan never knew who he was.

He was busy with work when he saw Shi Nuan's pregnancy post. Since he had turned on post notifications from Shi Nuan, he could see all of her posts the first moment they appeared.

The smile on his face was a little awkward when he read her post.

The man he was negotiating with couldn't help but narrowed his eyes when he saw the look on Shen Shixiu's face. "Mr. Shen?"



Shen Shixiu put his phone down and gestured for the man to continue with the negotiation. "I'm so sorry."

Jiang Zhan was already waiting for Shen Shixiu outside the building when the two finally reached a deal. "Sir, I've booked the flight tickets to the capital. We'll be flying at noon the day after tomorrow."

Shen Shixiu nodded. "How is it going with Shen Qianan?"

"Everything is fine." What could possibly go wrong with her? Shen Qianan had been dealt a devastating blow ever since she found out she was just a stand-in for Shi Nuan. In the past few days she had locked herself in the hotel room, refusing to see anyone and barely ate anything.

Although Jiang Zhan had been working for a long time under Shen Shixiu, he always felt that his boss' methods of handling sticky situations were especially heartless. Shen Qianan was Shen Shixiu's sister, but the way he treated her was no better than a stranger.

Shen Shixiu swept his gaze over to Jiang Zhan and the latter immediately lowered his head. He knew deep down that he was in no position to interfere.

Shen Shixiu raised his hand. "Are there any updates on Fu Chengyan?"

"Fu Chengyan is still investigating Ms. Shi's birth family." Jiang Zhan paused before continuing, "Oh right, Fu Chengyan is investigating Ms. Shen these days!"

"Shen Qianan?" Shen Shixiu was stunned and frowned. "Is there anything else? Did he check out the Shen family, too?"

"He investigated a woman called Shu Qing."

Shu Qing!

Shen Shixiu paused with a hand on his cufflink as his eyes turned cold. “Why her?”

“Shu Qing will be coming to Jiang City soon to build momentum for a new movie, which will be released early next month.”

“Why did you wait till now to tell me something so important?” Shen Shixiu gave Jiang Zhan a sharp look. Jiang Zhan was taken aback as he stared at Shen Shixiu dumbfounded. He was puzzled as to why he had to inform Shen Shixiu about Shu Qing since she was just an actress.

Shen Shixiu never paid much attention to film stars in the past, even though there had been rumors of him being involved with some of these actresses or models. These celebrities were all young women, whereas Shu Qing was old enough to be his mother.

Of course, Jiang Zhan didn't say it out loud. He only lowered his head and said, “I'm sorry, it's my fault.”

Shen Shixiu narrowed his eyes. “When is Shu Qing arriving?”

He grew increasingly hostile as Jiang Zhan didn't have an answer to his query. He looked at Jiang Zhan sharply and gritted his teeth. One could easily tell he was freaking mad at the moment.

“Check it out right this instance. When is her flight, where will she be heading these days, and who she is meeting. I'll give you one day to find out. If not, don't follow me back to the capital.”

“Ok, I will get down to it immediately!”

Shen Shixiu's brows were knitted tightly as he watched Jiang Zhan scurried off.

Shu Qing! She's finally back! Don't blame me for being merciless since you dare to return.

Shen Shixiu pinched his cufflinks and returned to his calm and composed demeanor again.

He took his things, turned around, and saw Shen Qianan standing at the door with Yu in her arms. Shen Qianan was staring at him coldly as if he were a stranger to her.

Shen Shixiu gave Shen Qianan a once-over and noticed she was a little pale. In fact, she didn't even hear Yu calling out to her.

Shen Shixiu subconsciously frowned, clenched his fists, and pursed his lips.

Shen Qianan stood rooted to the ground, stunned. Her eyes were glazed over and she was at a loss of what to think or do. She turned a little timid when she saw the look on Shen Shixiu's face.

Shen Shixiu glanced at her. "Come here!"

Shen Qianan walked over obediently. With a closer look, one would notice her quivering lips.

Her gaze started to change. There was a trace of hope in her eyes when she met eyes with Shen Shixiu. "She's... back?"

Shen Shixiu stared at Shen Qianan and noticed she was acting odd. He simply nodded. "Maybe."

For a moment there, the two siblings had nothing to say to one another once more.

Shen Qianan curled her lips to appear relaxed. But the truth was she couldn't suppress her excitement anymore after receiving news that Shu Qing would be coming back.

“Do you miss her? She abandoned you for almost 25 years. Why do you still miss her?” Shen Qianan’s fingers trembled. “You’re 27 now, all grown up. Just think of your life in the past few years. Do you think you’re still a child?”

“Shen Shixiu, that’s enough! Why do you have to be so cruel?” Shen Qianan bellowed uncontrollably, “I’m not the one at fault here, nor the one who had hurt your mother!”

Shen Shixiu pursed his lips. “Did I say it was you?”

Shen Shixiu looked at Shen Qianan coldly. He loomed over her as if she was an insignificant insect. Shen Qianan couldn’t help but tremble——she had always appeared inferior when faced with Shen Shixiu. This was also why Shen Qianan would rather come to Jiang City when she was young, and the reason why she would rather face Fu Chengyan than Shen Shixiu.

Shen Shixiu was like the devil himself in Shen Qianan’s eyes.

However, Shen Shixiu wasn’t aware of Shen Qianan’s thoughts. He merely looked at her like a stranger. “You should be glad you didn’t do anything wrong, or else you wouldn’t be who you are today.”

Shen Shixiu loosened his grip and gave his amber cufflinks a look. “It’s getting late now, go and grab something to eat with Yu. I’ve asked Jiang Zhan to book flight tickets to the capital for the day after tomorrow.”

“I don’t want to go back to the capital!” Shen Qianan spoke up once again, agitated. “I’ve told you before I don’t want to go back to the capital. Don’t you understand?”

“Are you going to continue staying in Jiang City if you’re not going back to the capital? Are you still waiting for Fu Chengyan?” Shen Shixiu tugged the corner of his lips. “Do you know that Shi Nuan is pregnant now?”

Shen Qianan stared at Shen Shixiu, stunned. “That’s not possible.”

“Why not? Shi Nuan is his wife. Isn’t it normal for her to be pregnant since they’re a couple?” Shen Shixiu saw that Shen Qianan’s face had gone totally pale. Nevertheless, he continued nonchalantly, “I’ve told you before to give up.”

“How could I give up on him? He’s my everything, he’s all my youth. If not for Shi Nuan...” No, Fu Chengyan still wouldn’t have married her even if Shi Nuan weren’t around.

Shen Qianan’s eyes glazed over. “I don’t care what you say. I can do what you say on anything, except for this.” She didn’t want to go back. Going back to the capital would mean she would have nothing more to do with Fu Chengyan.

Shen Shixiu frowned as he stared at the stubborn Shen Qianan. He commented coldly, “I don’t care whether you’re willing to or not, but you must leave the day after tomorrow. You know I have ways to make you leave even if you’re not willing.”

Shen Shixiu left without hesitation after saying that, leaving Shen Qianan staring blankly into space. She had yet to recover from the shock after hearing what Shen Shixiu said.

Shi Nuan is pregnant! Shu Qing is coming back!

Hah!

Shu Qing, you’re finally coming back? You’re finally coming back after abandoning me for so many years. What’s your first stop upon your arrival?

Shi Nuan was still at the hospital waiting for Zhou Zheng, totally oblivious to the chain of events that had occurred following her social media posting.

She recalled how Fu Chengyan had reminded her repeatedly not to spend too much time on her phone. Hence, after bidding goodbye to Song Rongrong and Su Yian, she put her phone into her bag and went out for a walk.

Shi Nuan had always been in a hurry every time she visited Su Shaoqing's hospital. She had not taken a leisurely stroll through the hospital grounds before.

She had always thought Su Shaoqing was the cynical type before getting to know him. Who would have thought he was actually a doctor? It was really hard for her to associate Su Shaoqing with being a doctor, but he managed to pull it off.

Shi Nuan was walking through the hospital's garden when she noticed a middle-aged man limping around with some difficulty.

She paused before heading towards him to offer him some help. "Sir, are you okay?"

Su Huaibei froze when Shi Nuan reached out to help him. He gave her a sidelong glance and noticed Shi Nuan was also looking at him. "Sir, are you okay?" She asked again, "Do you want to have a seat over there? Are you here to visit someone?"

Su Huaibei stared at her inquisitively.

He sized up Shi Nuan before nodding after a long while. "I'm here to visit someone, young lady."

Shi Nuan smiled. "Then, would you like to have a seat first?"

"Sure."

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Shi Nuan helped Su Huaibei sit down. “Mr. Su, are you here to visit your friend?”

“Mmhhh. I’m here to see someone I haven’t seen in ages,” Su Huaibei replied. “Young lady, you’re here to visit a friend too? Or are you here for a consultation?”

“Oh, I’m not sick. I’m only here for a check-up.” Shi Nuan was full of smiles. For some unknown reason, she found the middle-aged man quite a lovely person.

Midway through Shi Nuan and Su Huaibei’s conversation, Shi Nuan received a call from Zhou Zheng. There was anxiety in his voice when he spoke, “Mrs. Fu, where are you?”

Shi Nuan glanced at her surroundings. “I am in the hospital’s garden, Mr. Zhou.”

“Okay, wait there for a second. I am coming.”

Shi Nuan hung up the call and smiled at Su Huaibei. “Mr. Su, my friend is coming to fetch me soon. It’s nice talking to you.”

Su Huaibei grinned. “Is it your boyfriend?”

“Nope.”

Zhou Zheng showed up as Shi Nuan was getting up from her seat. Before he could see the face of the man sitting next to her, Shi Nuan already approached him. “Mr. Zhou!”

Since the man was completely blocked from sight by Shi Nuan, Zhou Zheng didn't bother anymore. "Mrs. Fu, I'll send you back to Wutong Residence now."

On their way to the car, Shi Nuan asked, "Is Yan busy?"

"Yeah. Mr. Fu is having a meeting now." Zhou Zheng wiped the sweat off his forehead.

"Alright, then send me to the office instead."

"I'm sorry, Mrs. Fu. I have to send you back home. Mr. Fu wants you to rest after your checkup," Zhou Zheng hurriedly answered. Of course, he didn't want to go against his master. "Please let me send you back to the Wutong Residence."

"Mr. Zhou, it's still way too early for me to head back home! Just send me to the company. I'll take responsibility for anything that happens." Shi Nuan didn't want to go home so early as there was no one at home. She just didn't like to be alone in a big, empty house.

Also, Shi Nuan was still in the early days of her pregnancy. She had yet to experience the enervating symptoms that came with it.

Zhou Zheng didn't want to go against Shi Nuan's will. Thus, he brought her to Shengyuan.

Even though Fu Chengyan had not officially proclaimed his relationship with Shi Nuan, everyone knew about it. Still, no one dared to talk about the couple openly.

Everyone was surprised to see Shi Nuan and Zhou Zheng showing up at the office as Shi Nuan had been missing from work for the past few days. They watched as Shi Nuan got onto the elevator designated for the directors with Zhou Zheng treading carefully behind her. Immediately, a murmur descended upon the crowd. Everyone was discussing whether Mr. Fu was going to announce his relationship with Shi Nuan soon. Also, there were speculations as to what would happen to Shen Qianan.



Since Shen Qianan wasn't at the office lately, a number of people pointed out that she must be the third wheel in the relationship between Shi Nuan and Fu Chengyan.

Shi Nuan tuned the voices of these people out completely. Never once had she let their words get to her. However, Zhou Zheng was concerned for Shi Nuan. "Mrs. Fu, don't ever listen to what they say. Mr. Fu only has you in his heart."

Shi Nuan merely remained silent in response.

Hmm, Zhou Zheng still doesn't know me well. If I really mind their gibberish talk, I won't make it until now.

"When is Yan going to be done with his meeting?"

"Today, he's discussing with the senior management about an acquisition the company is going to make. I reckon the meeting will take some time." Zhou Zheng warily looked at Shi Nuan. He read on the internet that pregnant women were more prone to mood swings, and thus he was very mindful of what came out of his mouth. "Mrs. Fu, if you get bored or hungry, just let me know-"

"Mr. Zhou, relax!" Zhou Zheng broke into a soft peal of laughter. At this moment, the doors of the elevator parted. Shi Nuan stepped out of the elevator before Zhou Zheng.

"Mrs. Fu, since Mr. Fu is still in his meeting, do you want to wait for him in his office?"

"Okay!"

With that, the two of them went to Fu Chengyan's office on the twenty-seventh floor. Zhou Zheng paid extra care to escort the expectant mother to the rest area inside the office. After settling Shi Nuan down, Zhou Zheng checked the time on his wristwatch. Shi Nuan saw and spoke, "Mr. Zhou, actually you don't have to stay here with me. I am very familiar with Shengyuan."

“If that’s the case, then can I...”

“Yes! Just get on with your work!”

“Thank you!” Zhou Zheng left Fu Chengyan’s office at once upon hearing Shi Nuan’s words. Zhou Zheng actually had a lot on the plate at the moment, but one call from Fu Chengyan sent him to the hospital to pick Shi Nuan up. Now that he was free, he needed to get back to his large pile of work.

After Zhou Zheng left, Shi Nuan could finally take a detailed look around Fu Chengyan’s office. Shi Nuan had been here many times before, but mostly it was because of work. Hence, she didn’t have time to appreciate the fine interior of the place. Now, she finally had the time to browse through every corner of Fu Chengyan’s office.

Fu Chengyan’s office was simple. The color theme was black and white, which made it exquisite and bold.

Shi Nuan took a stroll around the office and was done admiring the place. She sat back down on the sofa to read some magazines while waiting for Fu Chengyan’s meeting to end.

Suddenly, footsteps came from outside. Shi Nuan raised her head in glee as the person opened the door.

Shi Nuan rose from the sofa. “Yan-” Shi Nuan stared at Fu Zhengyun in bemusement. “Ahh... It’s you?”

Fu Zhengyun also didn’t expect to bump into Shi Nuan in Fu Chengyan’s office. The last time he saw Shi Nuan was a month ago. Until now, his impression of her still didn’t change. Worse still, Shi Nuan was now alone inside Fu Chengyan’s office. It gave Fu Zhengyun the opportunity to chastise her for not obeying the rules of the company.

Also, Fu Zhengyun was not pleased by Shi Nuan's tone when she addressed him. On top of that, Fu Zhengyun was in a foul mood recently as his relationship with Fu Chengyan was getting tense because of Shen Qianan. He was going to let off his steam on Shi Nuan.

Fu Zhengyun sneered when he saw Shi Nuan. He strode in on his walking cane. "It's office hours now, do you not know that?"

"Good afternoon, Grandpa!" Shi Nuan greeted Fu Zhengyun. "You're here to see Yan?"

"Grandpa? Pfft! Do you still have an eye for the rules? Inside the company, you're supposed to address me as Mr. Fu!" Fu Zhengyun sounded authoritative as he talked Shi Nuan down.

If it were anyone else, they would have passed out right away if they were berated by Fu Zhengyun in such a manner, given his status in the company. However, Shi Nuan still remained calm and collected. Despite being surprised at the encounter, Shi Nuan was able to compose herself elegantly.

"Mr. Fu, what would you like to drink?" Shi Nuan smiled from ear to ear. She approached Fu Zhengyun to help him to the sofa, but he swiped her hand away. "Don't touch me!"

Shi Nuan arched a brow and stood steadily. "Alright then. I bet Mr. Fu is well enough to walk to the sofa on your own. Anyway, Yan is still in a meeting. If the matter you want to discuss with him is nothing urgent, why not rest for a while first? I'll make you some tea."

Shi Nuan didn't wait for Fu Zhengyun's reply and walked to the rest area to fetch some tea leaves from the refrigerator. She then started to make tea with Fu Chengyan's tea set for guests.

Shi Nuan originally intended to make tea even before Fu Zhengyun turned up. Now, it made even more sense for her to busy herself with tea-brewing as it

would at least shift her attention away from the old man and make things less awkward.

Fu Zhengyun didn't know what to make of Shi Nuan's lack of fear for him. She treated him with much nonchalance as if he were yet another human.

Everyone feared Fu Zhengyun so much that they would hold their breaths when he was around. On the contrary, Shi Nuan seemed to be at ease with Fu Zhengyun in the room.

Fu Zhengyun had to admit that if he were to choose between Shen Qianan, Song Jingyu, and Shi Nuan, Shi Nuan was the no-brainer choice.

However, Fu Zhengyun just had a strong prejudice against Shi Nuan. Perhaps, it stemmed from her lack of a preeminent background. Because of that, he could not bring himself to consider her as a candidate for her grandson's wife.

Shi Nuan, who was absorbed in her task at hand, was oblivious to the thoughts running in Fu Zhengyun's head.

Fu Zhengyun observed Shi Nuan in silence. He realized that not only was Shi Nuan a meticulous person, but she also didn't care about what people think of her at all. Fu Zhengyun had repeatedly told her that he disapproved of her, yet Shi Nuan did not let any of his words get to her.

Shi Nuan placed the tea set neatly on the table before heating up some water. She looked at the time and realized it was still a long time before the tea was done. She went to get some tidbits from Fu Chengyan's personal lounge.

Shi Nuan remembered that Fu Chengyan's personal secretary would always prepare some small bites for Fu Chengyan. Even though Fu Chengyan usually didn't eat them, the secretary would still prepare a fresh batch of snacks for him every morning. Occasionally, Fu Chengyan would skip meals because he was too busy with his work. These little morsels always come in handy in times as such.

Shi Nuan looked into the fridge. Indeed, Fu Chengyan left the tidbits Mai Qi prepared for him this morning untouched. Shi Nuan took a box of cakes out of the fridge. “Mr. Fu, would you like to have something to eat?”

Fu Zhengyun was flummoxed at Shi Nuan’s behavior. She had more guts than he thought. Can she not study my mood now?

Shi Nuan noticed the surly look on Fu Zhengyun’s face and curled her lips. “Ah, pardon me, Mr. Fu. You seemed like you are not in the mood to eat. I’ll take a few bites since I’m hungry now. Please excuse me.” Shi Nuan took out a piece of mung bean cake from the box and popped it into her mouth.

Shi Nuan chewed for a while and her face was filled with satisfaction. She then took a sip of water.

Fu Zhengyun was seething as he watched Shi Nuan ate the piece of mung bean cake as if there was no one else in the room. He bemoaned, “Who gave you the permission to eat in Yan’s office?”

Shi Nuan was stunned for a second. She coughed as her face reddened. “Uhm... it’s you, Mr. Fu!”

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“But I...”

“Yeah, you did!” Shi Nuan grinned at Fu Zhengyun stammering. “I was asking if Mr. Fu wanted to eat something just now, but it seemed like you were not in the mood to eat. However, you didn’t forbid me from eating after I told you I’m going to have a piece of the cake.”

“That doesn’t mean you can eat here!” Fu Zhengyun was vexed by Shi Nuan’s theory. “You should know better, Shi Nuan! You have worked here for a considerable amount of time. If everyone eats at their desks, the whole office space will reek of food!”

“Yeah, all the more reason it’s appropriate for me to eat here! The odor of the food won’t leave this room.” Shi Nuan saw that the water was boiling and poured it over the tea set. “Mr. Fu, please don’t be angry! For a man your age, it’s better if you stay relaxed. It’s not good for your health if you’re all worked up.”

“You!”

Fu Zhengyun was speechless. He could only glare at Shi Nuan. Shi Nuan did not fear him at all. She smiled gently at Fu Zhengyun in response. “There’s a reason Yan has food in his office. If it’s not for eating, then what is it for? Am I to offer them to the gods and pray for the prosperity of Shengyuan?”

“Nonsense!”

“Mr. Fu, which part of my speech did I not make sense?”

“Shut your mouth!” Fu Zhengyun slammed his palm on the tabletop. He finally blew his top. “Shi Nuan, do you have no respect whatsoever for the seniors? Does it thrill you to talk back?”

Shi Nuan tried to hold in her laughter. Fu Zhengyun looked comical as he scowled at Shi Nuan. Shi Nuan put in a lot of effort to maintain a straight face. She still needed to reply to Fu Zhengyun.

“Mr. Fu, my apologies. However, I wasn’t retaliating at all. I was merely speaking the truth.” Shi Nuan plopped a bag of tea leaves into the hot water and started brewing tea.

Fu Zhengyun felt like he was of no threat to Shi Nuan. He clenched his teeth upon the smug look on Shi Nuan’s face. He was now even more disapproving of Shi Nuan as Fu Chengyan’s wife.

In truth, Shi Nuan wanted to please Fu Zhengyun, but with Fu Zhengyun’s quirky demeanor, she had a feeling he still wouldn’t accept her even if she followed his wishes. Furthermore, Fu Chengyan told her to not take Fu Chengyan too seriously. Thus, Fu Chengyan decided to just deal with Fu Zhengyun as she saw fit.

Now, Shi Nuan was in a pretty good mood. As she was brewing tea, she tried to initiate a few conversations with Fu Zhengyun. Soon, the tea was ready to be served. Shi Nuan poured some tea into a teacup and took it to Fu Zhengyun. “Mr. Fu, it’s been a while since you last visited the company. Anything urgent you need to discuss with Yan?”

“Why do you have to know? Do you think I’ll spill anything to you? You are only a normal employee of Shengyuan. Speaking of which, why are you here instead of working at your desk? So what if you are Yan’s wife? If you do anything wrong, Yan will not be able to cover for you. You ought to be professional and keep your personal life separate from your work-life!”

Fu Zhengyun sneered at Shi Nuan. There was a triumphant glow in his eyes. Obviously, he was elated for being able to find fault with Shi Nuan. Meanwhile, Shi Nuan was both amused and vexed. All in all, Shi Nuan actually found Fu Zhengyun quite adorable, even though he was superb at pissing people off.

“Mr. Fu, you might not know this. I have taken a long leave. Hence, I...” Shi Nuan purposely dragged her words. She wanted to revel in Fu Zhengyun’s reaction to her pregnancy.

As expected, Fu Zhengyun’s face twitched. He responded, “If you have taken leave from work, why are you here? By the way, what kind of leave did you take from the company? Pft, I should know better! A woman like you will only slack off once you got what you wanted. You’re only after Yan’s fortune, right? Gah! I will never accept you into the Fu family! You two better get a divorce!”

“A woman like me?” Shi Nuan gestured at herself. She muttered, “I think a woman like me is pretty amazing.”

“You shameless witch!”

“I am only saying the truth. Yan thinks I am amazing and that’s all that matters! Also, Mr. Fu, do you not want to know what kind of leave I’ve taken? Just so you know, my leave is for ten months!”

“T-ten months?” Fu Zhengyun’s eyes gaped so wide that they were almost jumping out of the sockets. Fu Zhengyun’s gaze moved to Shi Nuan’s stomach. He uttered in total shock, “You’re pregnant?”

Shi Nuan raised her brows jubilantly, “That’s right!”

“And you’re happy about it?”

“What are you talking about? Of course, I am happy about it! It’s my first child with Yan. Oh, allow me to correct myself. Shaoqing said it’s a pair of twins!” Shi Nuan laid her eyes on Fu Zhengyun’s face. First, there was a shock, which was



then followed by excitement. Eventually, his face sunk upon itself. “Pft! So what if you’re pregnant? You’re not the only person who can give Shen Qianan a baby. Have you forgotten that Shen Qianan also bore Yan’s son before? “

Even though Fu Zhengyun sounded contemptuous, he couldn’t take his eyes off Shi Nuan’s belly.

She’s actually pregnant? The heirs of the Fu family are in her belly?

As much as Fu Zhengyun didn’t like Shi Nuan, he loved kids a great deal, especially when they were related to him. Upon hearing that Shi Nuan was pregnant, Fu Zhengyun just wanted to confirm with her. When he heard that Su Shaoqing had checked on her pregnancy before, he was in relief.

Nonetheless, Shi Nuan’s pregnancy meant that things were going to get more complicated from now on.

“Mr. Fu, you are kidding me, right? You want Yan to accept Shen Qianan’s kid as his own to inherit the family business even when he’s unrelated to him? Oh my!”

“Hmph!”

Fu Zhengyun scoffed. He wanted to continue speaking, but Shi Nuan interjected him with a cup of tea. “You must be thirsty after talking so much.”

Now that Shi Nuan mentioned it, Fu Zhengyun felt awkward as he found his throat quite dry. Still, he glared at Shi Nuan before accepting the cup of tea from her. But when he took one sip of the tea brewed by Shi Nuan, he was wowed.

The light fragrance of the tea suffused through his oral cavity. The distinct flavor of the tea was extremely familiar to Fu Zhengyun. “From whom did you learn how to make tea?”

Who?

“My Grandpa! He loves tea.” Shi Nuan grinned endearingly. “Mr. Fu, you also know how to make tea?”

“Hmph!” Fu Zhengyun scoffed but he still wanted another cup. “Your Grandpa?”

“Yeah! His name is Jiang Shizheng.”

“Jiang Shizheng?” Fu Zhengyun spaced out for a second. He remembered his aversion to that guy.

“Yep, he’s my Grandpa!” Shi Nuan saw the dark clouds on Fu Zhengyun’s face clearing up and continued, “Mr. Fu, you know my grandpa?”

“I have never even heard of his name before, how can I know who he is?” Shi Nuan could tell from Fu Zhengyun’s antsy tone that he didn’t want to talk about Jiang Shizheng anymore. Fu Zhengyun then sneered, “Don’t think you can impress me with just a cup of tea!”

“I’ll take that as a compliment. Thank you!”

“You...”

“What are you guys talking about?”

The office doors swung open. Fu Zhengyun loosened the tie around his neck and stared at Fu Zhengyun and Shi Nuan. He seemed to be unsurprised by Fu Zhengyun’s presence.

Fu Chengyan placed the documents on his desk and took the seat next to Shi Nuan. He held Shi Nuan’s hands in his. “Didn’t I ask Zhou Zheng to send you back?”

“I just don’t want to stay at home. Yan, actually I’m feeling pretty well. Why don’t you let me return to work?” Shi Nuan couldn’t bear the thought of her having to spend eight more months dawdling around.

“No!”

This time, it was Fu Zhengyun instead of Fu Chengyan who disagreed. “You are pregnant now! It’s better if you rest, you silly woman. From today onwards, you cannot come to the office.”

Shi Nuan was taken aback by Fu Zhengyun’s comment. She turned to Fu Chengyan in disbelief.

Fu Chengyan only wriggled his lips and smiled. He seemed to have seen that coming.

Fu Zhengyun felt like he had said the wrong words, but he couldn’t take any of them back now. Moreover, now that Shi Nuan was pregnant with the children of the Fu family, he needed to tolerate her as much as he despised her.

“From tomorrow onwards, the two of you are staying in the Fu Residence!” Fu Zhengyun glanced at Shi Nuan then at Fu Chengyan. “Pregnancy is a big thing. You guys have nothing at Wutong Residence. It is not suitable for Shi Nuan to stay there for the sake of the baby. Come to the Fu Residence! Your Mom and Dad, as well as Aunt Ning and Uncle Heng, can take care of her!”

“But I-” Shi Nuan was about to say something when Fu Chengyan squeezed her hands gently. It was a sign for her to stop talking. Fu Chengyan helped Shi Nuan up from her seat. “Alright then!”

Fu Zhengyun heard Fu Chengyan’s affirmative answer and the frown on his face eased up. At least Fu Chengyan still listened to him, he figured. “Then that’s settled! Bring her to the Fu Residence after work.”

It was the biggest compromise Fu Zhengyun ever made.

Fu Zhengyun turned his gaze to Fu Chengyan. “You asked me to come here because of this?”

Fu Chengyan’s brows perked up. Neither did he nod or shake his head. Both Shi Nuan and Fu Chengyan were flummoxed.

Shi Nuan and Fu Zhengyun were still waiting for Fu Chengyan’s answer when Fu Chengyan smiled indifferently at Fu Zhengyun. “Does it really matter?”

Fu Zhengyun rolled his eyes. “Hmph!”

Before storming off from the office, Fu Zhengyun gave Shi Nuan’s stomach one last glance. He grunted, “After work, you two come to the Fu Residence for dinner!” Then, he left the place.

Shi Nuan was stumped by Fu Zhengyun’s actions. She couldn’t quite wrap her head around his conflicting behavior.

She turned to Fu Chengyan in puzzlement. “You asked Grandpa to come here to tell him about my pregnancy?”

Fu Chengyan smacked his lips. “Is it really that important?”

Shi Nuan shook her head then nodded. “No, but how do you know I’ll be here? Also, you know how Grandpa is like! Every time I bump into him, we’ll for sure get into an argument. What if Grandpa gets so pissed off at me that he fainted? Or, what if Grandpa did something to me?”

“Come over.”

# I Want a Lifetime with You

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Fu Chengyan sat on the sofa and waved at Shi Nuan for her to come to him. He pulled Shi Nuan into his embrace and sat Shi Nuan down on his lap. Then, he took Shi Nuan's hand in his and pinched her fingertips. "You silly girl! Why do you think so much?"

Shi Nuan pouted. "I'm not stupid! It's because he's your Grandpa." Or else, I won't even waste so much energy talking to him.

Fu Chengyan then pinched Shi Nuan's nose. "I swear, I didn't purposely ask him here because I have a feeling you will be at the office. But since things are going in the right direction, isn't it a good thing that you two met just now?"

"Okay, whatever." Shi Nuan lowered her eyelids as her eyes focused on Fu Chengyan's fingertips. She copied Fu Chengyan's actions and found that his fingers were much thicker than hers.

Fu Chengyan did not respond. He watched on as Shi Nuan played with his fingers. He just found Shi Nuan acting like a kid kind of entertaining. It softened his heart a little.

"What did the doctor say?"

Shi Nuan pursed her lips. "Yu Qing said everything's fine. My vital signs are all alright. She did ask me to rest more. Oh, she also asked me to exercise more and not laze at home." Shi Nuan spoke her last sentence with much emphasis as she looked at Fu Chengyan meaningfully.

Fu Chengyan chuckled helplessly. "Alright, you can do anything you want, as long as you are careful. I can't be by your side all the time. It's different now you have two little humans inside you now."

"Okay, okay!" Shi Nuan flailed her arms around in slight frustration. "Why are you yammering like a grumpy old fart? You're even worse than both your Grandpa and my Grandpa combined!" Shi Nuan then paused for a while. "Are we really moving in to Fu Residence?"

Fu Chengyan only nodded in silence.

Shi Nuan was confused. "But why?"

It's not like Shi Nuan minded staying at the Fu Residence. It's because she didn't want to deal with the complicated matters that would arise during her stay there. Other than Fu Zhengyun, there was also Fu Sheng whom Shi Nuan was unclear whether he was a friend or foe. Also, her grandmother-in-law Song Zhenyan hated her to the bones. Shi Nuan doubted that staying at Fu Residence was a wise choice.

"Just listen to me." Fu Chengyan prodded the heart of Shi Nuan's palm. "I'll never let anything bad happen to you!"

"Okay then," Shi Nuan saw the confidence in Fu Chengyan's expression and agreed.

She had her hands on Fu Chengyan's shoulders for support as she tried to settle into a comfortable position. Suddenly, she questioned, "Oh, right! You know who I bumped into at the hospital today?"

"Who?"

Fu Chengyan stared at Shi Nuan curiously. "You bumped into an international movie star?"

Shi Nuan shook her head. She replied, “Yes, it’s a star, but she’s yet to become an international movie star. It’s Shi Wei.”

Fu Chengyan’s oval eyes squinted with precaution. “Did she bully you?”

“Nah, she didn’t.” Shi Nuan found Fu Chengyan’s response quite hilarious. “Do you think she still dares to bully me openly?”

Fu Chengyan nodded and combed Shi Nuan’s messy hair with his fingers. “Then, did she do anything to you?”

“She didn’t even saw me,” Shi Nuan remained silent for a while and mulled over her decision to tell Fu Chengyan about what happened. She bit her lips. “Shi Wei is there for a consultation.”

“Hmm?” Fu Chengyan arched one brow. “What illness does she have?”

“She was there to see an ob-gyn.” Shi Nuan leaned in and uttered into Fu Chengyan’s ear. Fu Chengyan’s lips curled up into a crescent.

Shi Nuan smirked. “Did Xinhuang not give her enough resources?”

Fu Chengyan chuckled. “I’ll have someone look into it.”

Shi Nuan nodded. “Sure, but just to make things clear, I actually have nothing against her.” Even though Shi Wei treated Shi Nuan poorly, the two of them were sisters after all. Other than Shi Wei, Jiang Yu and Shi Jingzheng were the two other people from the Shi family who were mean to Shi Nuan. Still, there was Shi Yunsheng who doted Shi Nuan a lot. Now, Shi Nuan figured that no matter what Shi Wei had done to her, Shi Wei was still technically her sister. Thus, Shi Nuan was willing to help Shi Wei if she got into any trouble.

Fu Chengyan was aware of Shi Nuan’s sentiments. However, he was sure that Shi Wei had not treated Shi Nuan as her sister when she was hurting Shi Nuan. Shi Nuan just had a completely different personality from her sister.

Fu Chengyan caressed Shi Nuan's silky hair and laid a finger on Shi Nuan's forehead. "Alright. I know what you want. I'll have Zhou Zheng look into it. Rest assured, nothing will happen to Shi Wei."

"Okay!"

When it was time to get off work, Fu Zhengyun was worried that Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan wouldn't go to the Fu Residence. Thus, he sent people to fetch them from Shengyuan.

After clocking out from the office, Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan went to get their car from the underground parking. Out of their expectations, there was someone waiting for them there.

It was the butler of the Fu Residence. Fu Chengyan pinched his glabella. "Why are you here?"

"Young Master Chengyan, the Old Master wants me to fetch you and... Young Mistress Shi Nuan to the Fu Residence." The butler paused for a while before turning to Shi Nuan. "I hope your day has been great, Young Mistress!"

Shi Nuan was shocked. Shi Nuan didn't expect the butler to address her by Young Mistress at all. The butler served Fu Zhengyun for ages, which spoke volumes of how trustworthy he was.

Shi Nuan tucked her lips in and nodded. "Nice to meet you, Mr. Yuan."

"Young Master, please get on the car!" The old butler spoke deferentially as the driver got to his seat. "Old Master wants me to inform you that someone will be going to the Wutong Residence to pack up both your belongings. Also, the Fu Residence has everything! There's nothing to worry about," the butler said with his eyes glued to Fu Chengyan. He was waiting for Fu Chengyan's reply.

Fu Chengyan didn't have any opinions about it. He held Shi Nuan's hands and led her onto the car.



The butler let out a breath of relief.

He thought he'd have to persuade Fu Chengyan into coming with him, but it turned out that he was overthinking.

Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan sat somewhere outside the vision of the driver and the butler.

After the couple had settled down, the butler got onto the seat next to the driver. Then, he spoke clear and loud to the couple, "Dinner will be served at the Fu Residence. Young Master Chengyan, we have prepared a lot of your favorite dishes!" He paused for a while and continued, "The chefs at the Fu Residence were in charge of Mrs. Fu's and Madam Ning's diets when they were pregnant too. Young Mistress Shi Nuan, please be assured that the food we have will be suitable for an expectant mother like you."

"Thank you, butler!" Shi Nuan smiled politely. It would be rude of her to turn the butler down as he had been nothing but thoughtful.

However, Shi Nuan now supposed that earlier on, Fu Chengyan had purposely let her bump into Fu Zhengyun. Fu Chengyan must have known that Fu Zhengyun would order the couple to stay at the Fu Residence if the latter learned that Shi Nuan was pregnant with the Fu family's children. Fu Chengyan knew well that the children in Shi Nuan's stomach were the key to everything, including the bitter feud between Shi Nuan and Fu Zhengyun.

Shi Nuan's eyes unwittingly went to Fu Chengyan. At the moment, Fu Chengyan was in a pleasant mood. Of course he was, seeing that everything had gone the way he anticipated.

Shi Nuan writhed her lips and sighed. Fu Chengyan heard her and asked, "What is it, darling? You don't want to go?"

Shi Nuan shook her head in haste. "Nope."

On a side note, Shi Nuan was getting more and more impressed by Fu Chengyan. He could easily sense every expression of Shi Nuan no matter how minuscule it was.

Fu Chengyan nodded in response. "Okay, but if you don't want to live there, you can tell me anytime. Also if we don't find the place to our liking, we can move into the other properties Uncle Heng bought for me."

"It's okay!" Shi Nuan didn't know how to react to Fu Chengyan's words. "There's no need to move. I think the Fu Residence is fine. There are so many servants around to look after us! If anything, it will only make my life easier, so why not?"

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes. There was something on his mind.

The butler in front overheard Fu Chengyan and Shi Nuan's conversation and was astounded. Is this still the Young Master I know? He's changed so much ever since he got together with that girl!

It's like... he's more human now!

Very soon, they reached the Fu Residence. There were already a few servants awaiting their arrival at the gates. Each of the pointy edges or corners in the Fu Residence was wrapped up with thick pieces of cloth. These changes were most likely requested by Fu Zhengyun, who was all too enthusiastic to welcome his great-grandchildren.

Fu Chengyan helped Shi Nuan off the car. At once, Shi Nuan realized the building in front of her was nothing like before. Fu Chengyan arched his brow. He could notice the stark differences right away too.

The old butler seemed to notice their expressions and hurriedly explained, "Old Master said since Young Mistress is pregnant, all of the sharp edges in the house have to be covered. It's bad luck according to Feng Shui. After all, Shi Nuan's children are going to be his first great-grandchildren. Old Master just wants to..."

The butler didn't continue his words, but everyone could finish his sentence in their heads.

Even though Fu Zhengyun didn't like Shi Nuan, now that she was pregnant, he had to accept her for the sake of the children in her tummy.

Fu Chengyan squiggled his lips and glanced around. "May, let's head in!"

"Okay, let's go!" Shi Nuan was pretty excited. Even though Fu Zhengyun was willing to compromise only because of her unborn children, Shi Nuan didn't mind at all. Being the Fu family's descendants didn't change the fact that she was their mother.

Since Fu Zhengyun wanted to take a step back, Shi Nuan was not going to complain.

"Let's go!" Fu Chengyan saw the joyous grin on Shi Nuan's face and couldn't help but smile. Then, he took Shi Nuan inside.

To Shi Nuan's surprise, the interior of the Fu Residence changed even more than its exterior. Everything was altered to be more kid-friendly. The rugs were non-slip, and almost all of the furniture sported a round, padded edge.

Shi Nuan was slightly stunned. She almost couldn't feel herself when she landed her foot inside the house. She tilted her head to Fu Chengyan's ears and whispered, "This is so crazy!"