

### Chapter 3018 Waking Up, I Missed You

The next morning, the sun slowly rose, casting a glistening light on the dewdrops on the emerald green trees. The entire Sacred Mount sparkled under the sunlight.

Matthew, consumed with worry for his wife, had not slept all night. He sat quietly by her bedside, holding her slender hand, never moving an inch.

Just as he was about to doze off leaning against the head of the bed, Sasha trembled noticeably all of a sudden, and tiny beads of sweat began to form on her forehead.

"Matthew, help me!" With a soft cry, she suddenly opened her eyes and sat up.

"What's wrong? Did you have a nightmare?" Matthew asked with concern, gently brushing aside the damp strands of hair on her forehead.

Once Sasha regained her senses and realized it wasn't a dream, her eyes welled up with tears. "I missed you, darling! I was so scared!" she said, nestling into Matthew's arms, clasping him tightly with both hands.

Her words were simple and yet so heartwarming. At this very moment, she was like a frightened little girl, finding complete security only when clinging to her husband's chest.

Matthew smiled and held his wife close. "Don't be afraid. It was just a bad dream, and I'm right here with you. If any monsters or demons dare to come near you, I'll strike them down with my sword. There, there. Don't be scared. I'm right here," he said, comforting her affectionately while gently stroking her back.

After a while, Sasha's frightened emotions eventually subsided. "I had a nightmare. There was a terrifying red lotus in my dream that kept sucking my blood. I struggled desperately, but the lotus stuck to my hand like glue, and I couldn't shake it off," she said. "And then I dreamed that many man-faced carnivorous flowers were chasing me..."

Matthew did not interrupt; he listened quietly as his wife recounted her nightmare. He knew that the Red Fire Lotus incident had indeed happened, but his wife had been so frightened before passing out that she mistook everything for a dream.

The couple embraced each other, one speaking and the other listening, creating a warm and loving atmosphere.

However, this cozy moment was interrupted by the arrival of the crown prince, who started shouting before even entering the thatched house. "Matthew! Matthew, this is urgent! Um... Sorry to interrupt. Please continue!"

After apologizing in embarrassment, he was about to dash off. However, as soon as he turned around, a shoe hit him squarely on the back of his head.

"Give me a minute. I'm coming right away!" Matthew said, cupping Sasha's pretty face and kissing her on the lips.

"Hey, cut it out! Prince is still out there!" Sasha complained.

"What's there to worry about? We're married, remember?" Matthew shook his head with a smug smile, then stood up and left the thatched house.

Outside, the crown prince scratched his head sheepishly when he saw Matthew come out. "Uh, sorry about that, Matthew. I didn't realize you and your wife were cuddling."

Smack!

As soon as he said that, he received a slap on the back of his head.

"You've changed, you rascal. Now you even dare to poke fun at me," said Matthew.

"No, Matthew, you've got it all wrong. How could I dare to do that?" the prince argued. "By the way, I just discovered something incredible!"

Matthew did not make a reply. He merely raised an eyebrow, prompting the crown prince to continue.

The crown prince explained, "I just went to Kasen's place, and that brat and his disciple have made incredible progress in their martial arts! And you know what? They mentioned seeing nine-colored celestial lights the other night, and their strength improved dramatically when they woke up the next day! Do you think there's a hidden treasure on the Sacred Mount?"

As he spoke, a mischievous glint flickered in his eyes.

Matthew was aware of the truth behind this. Seeing the crown prince's greedy expression, he could not help rolling his eyes. "Stop daydreaming. You'd have to wait another hundred years for an opportunity like that!"

The crown prince thought Matthew was mocking him, unaware that the latter was stating the fact.