

• **Mr. Gu, Your Replacement Bride Is A Big Shot!**

856 The Truth

When Qiao Nian saw him, she threw the hoe in her hand to the ground. A bright smile appeared on her face as she ran towards him.

When Qiao Nian ran up to him, she stopped. She looked up at him and called out sweetly, "Brother White Shirt!"

Qiao Nian's face was chubby. Qiao Yu tried hard to control his urge to pinch her face.

At that time, Qiao Yu's first thought was that Qiao Nian's personality was really good. She was lively and cheerful, and was very friendly to everyone. Even to a stranger like him, she was very warm.

At that time, he hadn't thought too much about it. He had thought that Qiao Nian had called him Brother White Shirt because he was wearing a white shirt!

He agreed readily.

He would always remember Qiao Nian's smile at that time. It was like a ray of sunlight in the darkness.

At that time, he was very puzzled. Why didn't his mother like Qiao Nian? Qiao Nian was clearly so cute.

At that time, he swore to himself that he would protect Qiao Nian and treat her well forever.

Moreover, he especially liked it when Qiao Nian called him Brother White Shirt. Every time Qiao Nian called him that, her voice would always be soft.

After interacting with Qiao Nian for a long time, he wanted to tell her the truth. He was Qiao Yu, her brother. Perhaps Qiao Nian wouldn't be angry with him anymore.

At that moment, Qiao Nian took out a photo and handed it to him.

“Brother White Shirt, you left after saving me back then. You might have forgotten to take this photo. I’ve kept it until now. Then can you teach me how to draw? I want to draw this photo!”

Qiao Nian’s words echoed in his ears.

He didn’t speak. He just looked at Qiao Nian in disappointment, his heart already sinking to the bottom.

He had thought that Qiao Nian was treating him so well because she liked him. He didn’t expect Qiao Nian to have mistaken him for someone else.

No wonder Qiao Nian had been so enthusiastic around him the first time he saw her.

He was a little envious of the person Qiao Nian had called Brother White Shirt. More than that, he was jealous.

Why wasn’t that person him?

If it were him, he could live with Qiao Nian forever.

He had also thought of explaining this matter to Qiao Nian, but every time he wanted to, he couldn’t say it when he met Qiao Nian’s starry eyes.

He was afraid that if he said it, Qiao Nian would leave him in the future.

He had been hiding it because he was afraid of losing her.

Although he knew that Qiao Nian would be very angry if she knew the truth, he was really unwilling to say it.

He had always thought that this matter could be hidden for the rest of her life, but Qiao Nian finally knew the truth.

Indeed, a stolen identity did not belong to him.

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At the Dongjiang villa.

When Qiao Nian drove to the entrance of the villa, she saw Gu Zhou's car driving towards her from afar.

She took a closer look and saw Gu Zhou sitting in the driver's seat.

When she first saw Gu Zhou, her heart began to race uncontrollably.

She parked the car and got out. Gu Zhou, who was opposite her, also stopped the car and got out.

The moment their gazes met, Qiao Nian's breathing quickened, and the blood in her body began to boil. When she looked at Gu Zhou, it was as if ten thousand years had passed in a single glance.

Today, Gu Zhou was wearing a white shirt. Some of the hair on his forehead fluttered in the wind. He had deep eyes, a high nose bridge, and thin lips. He gave off a sense of sensual passion.

He stood there like a nobleman who had walked out of a comic book.

At this moment, Gu Zhou was looking at her intently.

Under the sunlight, Gu Zhou looked exactly like the brother in white who had pulled her off the cliff many years ago.

Qiao Nian's eyes were a little hot. She pursed her lips and quickly walked towards Gu Zhou.

Images of her interactions with Gu Zhou in the past flashed across her mind. She recalled what she had experienced with him.

From the beginning to the end, Gu Zhou had always stood by her side to protect her. He had always placed her first.

It was clearly only a few meters away, but to Qiao Nian, it was very far. She ran lightly to Gu Zhou. When she reached him, she gently stood on her tiptoes and kissed Gu Zhou's lips without hesitation.

Gu Zhou felt the softness of Qiao Nian's mouth on his. His entire body froze, and his pupils dilated uncontrollably.

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Even though that kiss was as brief as a dragonfly skimming the surface of the water, it was like a stone falling into his calm heart. Layers of ripples appeared in his heart.

Qiao Nian landed on her heels and looked up at Gu Zhou with a smile. At some point, her fox-like eyes had been covered in a layer of moisture. Her lips curved up slightly as she said seriously, "Brother Chuan, thank you!"

When Gu Zhou heard this, his breathing tightened and his throat moved involuntarily. He looked at Qiao Nian with a burning gaze. "You... you remember everything?"

Qiao Nian smiled and shook her head. She said truthfully, "When I was six years old, I almost fell off a cliff. I've never forgotten that you saved me. However, I've always mistook my savior for someone else!"

At this point, the smile on Qiao Nian's face gradually disappeared. She lowered her gaze and said guiltily, "It's all my fault. If I had realized that I had mistaken someone else as my benefactor back then, I might have recognized you long ago!"

When Gu Zhou heard Qiao Nian's words, his thin lips curved up slightly. He bent down slightly and looked at Qiao Nian at eye level. His voice was clear as wine. "It's not too late!"

Qiao Nian looked up and met Gu Zhou's smiling eyes. His pupils were filled with her face.

"But you still came back to me."

Qiao Nian's heart skipped a beat, and her lips slowly curved up. Now, it seemed that Gu Zhou was a very gentle person. She nodded. "Yes."

Gu Zhou looked at Qiao Nian's face seriously and asked, "You won't leave in the future, will you?"

Qiao Nian was about to answer Gu Zhou when she sensed a very uncomfortable gaze on her. She turned her head and saw Song Man staring at her coldly.

Qiao Nian frowned. She didn't know when Song Man had come out, nor did she know what she had said to Gu Zhou.

However, the way Song Man looked at her made her very uncomfortable.

Gu Zhou followed Qiao Nian's gaze. When he saw Song Man, his eyes instantly turned cold, and he gradually stood up straight.

He almost found out about Qiao Nian's answer.

However, all of this was ruined by Song Man.

Gu Zhou pursed his lips tightly, exuding a cold aura.

Song Man didn't seem to see the displeasure in Gu Zhou's heart. A gentle smile appeared on her face as she said, "Mr. Gu and Miss Qiao, why are you here?"

Gu Zhou looked away from Song Man with an indifferent expression. He took Qiao Nian's hand and interlocked their fingers. After seeing Qiao Nian's gentle gaze, he looked away with cold eyes.

Qiao Nian lowered her gaze slightly and stood quietly beside Gu Zhou, following him in.

Song Man looked at Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian, her heart aching. The two of them really looked like a match made in heaven.

It was precisely because of this feeling that Song Man felt terrible. She pursed her lips slightly. When Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian walked over, she tried hard to smile. "Mr. Gu, you..."

"I'm looking for you!" Gu Zhou interrupted Song Man's polite words mercilessly.

Song Man met Gu Zhou's cold gaze. For some reason, she had a bad feeling. It was as if an invisible hand was tightening around her neck, suffocating her.

Instinctively, she stepped aside bit by bit, allowing Gu Zhou to hold Qiao Nian's hand and walk in.

Song Man looked at Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian's backs. The two of them were holding hands. Her heart felt as if it had been cut into pieces. It was so painful that her tears were about to fall.

When they arrived at the living room, Gu Zhou turned to look at Qiao Nian and asked, "Do you know where the medicine box is?"

Previously, Qiao Nian had come to take care of Gu Qi and Xiao Shi. She had also done a DNA paternity test for Xiao Shi and knew the location of the medicine box.

She nodded and walked towards a locker. She opened it and took out the medicine box.

Seeing that Qiao Nian had yet to arrive, Song Man thought that she had to seize the opportunity as soon as possible. She looked up at Gu Zhou, her eyes filled with grievance. She said guiltily, "I'm really sorry. My appearance might be a problem. I've disturbed your private time with Miss Qiao."

Song Man was good-looking. She lowered her gaze, her black hair hanging down. Her eyes were filled with tears, and she looked pitiful.

Seeing Song Man like this, Gu Zhou frowned.

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Gu Zhou said coldly, "At least you know your limits!"

Song Man was speechless.

Gu Zhou really ended the conversation. He did not give her a chance to speak at all.

At this moment, Qiao Nian had already walked over with the medical kit.

Song Man's heart began to race.

It was obvious that Gu Zhou had a good impression of Qiao Nian. At this rate, she might not have a chance to marry into the Gu family.

The only thing she could rely on was the two children. As long as the two children were willing to be with her, Qiao Nian would have no chance.

By accident, Xiao Shi actually liked Qiao Nian a lot. This was something she hadn't expected.

If she continued to be reserved and did not take the initiative, she might lose Gu Zhou forever.

At the thought of this, Song Man sighed deeply and said, "I really didn't expect it to have been more than five years. No, it should be said that almost six years have passed. What happened that night is still vivid in my mind!"

Seeing that Gu Zhou was unmoved, Song Man continued, "Although I can let Xiao Shi grow up in a relaxed and happy environment alone, it's still a little tiring. Xiao Shi often clamored to see her brother and her father. Her greatest wish is to be able to reunite with her father. I hope the family can live together!"

Gu Zhou frowned slightly. He could naturally tell what Song Man was saying. He hated such people the most, so he said, "If you think it's hard on you, just leave the child to me. You won't have to work hard in the future!"

Song Man was about to vomit blood!

Gu Zhou's way of thinking seemed to be different from ordinary people.

Her main point was clearly that she hoped that the family could be together. It was not that it was hard on her.

"I'm saying that Xiao Shi hopes that our family can..."

"Nian'er, have you found the syringe?" Gu Zhou interrupted Song Man mercilessly.

Previously, he had thought that Song Man might be the girl from five years ago, but now that he heard Song Man's words, he was completely certain that Song Man was not that girl at all.

Although he had not interacted much with that girl five years ago, he could sense that she was a very kind girl.

Song Man was full of schemes.

Perhaps others didn't understand such things, but he had experienced it himself. He had also come into contact with that girl.

That was why he was certain that Song Man was not Gu Qi and Xiao Shi's mother.

After searching for a while, Qiao Nian finally found a syringe. She looked at Gu Zhou and nodded. "I've already found it!"

Gu Zhou said calmly, "Go and draw Miss Song's blood!"

Song Man's face suddenly turned pale. She looked at Gu Zhou in disbelief. She had never expected Gu Zhou to be so wary of her.

She believed that there was nothing wrong with her blood, but she still couldn't accept Gu Zhou's attitude towards her.

She asked sadly, "Why do you have to do that?"

Actually, Qiao Nian hadn't expected Gu Zhou to want to investigate Song Man and the two children's genes so openly.

However, since Gu Zhou had said so, she naturally had to do as he said. Qiao Nian walked up to Song Man and raised her eyebrows slightly. Smiling, she said, "Miss Song, please pull up your sleeve. I'll draw a little blood. It won't hurt much. Please cooperate!"

Although Song Man believed that she was the mother of two children, Gu Zhou's actions made her a little disappointed. She looked at Gu Zhou with teary eyes and asked, "Are you suspecting me?"

"Wasn't what I did obvious enough? I believe you're definitely not the mother of the two children. They're not that stupid!" Gu Zhou said lightly.

At this moment, Song Man's chest ached from the rebuttal. She could not say a word.

For the first time, Qiao Nian realized that Gu Zhou was so eloquent. She couldn't help but want to laugh.

To be honest, Gu Zhou was simply a straightforward man.

"Gu Zhou, how can you do this to me? No matter what, we had a one-night stand. I risked my life to give birth to your child, and all these years, I had to endure the pain of being separated from you. I worked hard to raise her alone. It wasn't easy for me. If the child hadn't motivated me to survive, I would have..."

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Gu Zhou felt that Song Man was really too noisy. Her voice gave him a headache. His gaze landed on Qiao Nian's face and he asked, "Do you need me to help you stabilize her?"

Song Man's tears instantly fell.

Qiao Nian said awkwardly, "There's no need. I can do it myself!"

Qiao Nian looked at Song Man and saw that she was crying pitifully. She said, "Miss Song, no matter what, we need a DNA report to acknowledge our family. Are you really not going to cooperate?"

Song Man knew that it was useless to pretend to be weak. She looked at Gu Zhou. "Are you suspecting Xiao Shi?"

"I'm just suspecting you!" Gu Zhou said mercilessly.

Song Man felt terrible.

After Qiao Nian finished drawing Song Man's blood, she nodded at Gu Zhou.

Gu Zhou looked at Song Man, his eyes cold. He said coldly, "The Gu family values blood ties very much. I have to be 100% sure who the mother of my child is. So let me tell you, whether you're Xiao Shi's mother or not, I'll bring Xiao Shi back to the Gu family!"

"If you're not Xiao Shi's mother, then you should think about how you'll live in the future!" Gu Zhou said coldly. The way he looked at Song Man was like winter frost.

Song Man gasped. She had never expected Gu Zhou to say such a thing.

She had always thought that Gu Zhou was just a cold-faced but warm-hearted person. But now, it seemed that he was like an emotionless machine, no different from a cold-blooded animal.

That wasn't right.

Song Man glanced at Qiao Nian, who was standing not far away. Just now, at the entrance of the villa, Gu Zhou had looked at Qiao Nian as if he wanted to eat her up. His gaze was as passionate as fire, as if Qiao Nian was the only one in Gu Zhou's entire world.

After Qiao Nian sorted out the samples, she stood up straight and looked at Gu Zhou.

Gu Zhou nodded slightly and asked casually, "Xiao Shi?"

Song Man sniffled, her eyes turning redder and redder. She took out a tissue and silently wiped her tears. "She's still sleeping!"

Hearing Song Man's words, Qiao Nian frowned.

It was already four in the afternoon.

According to Lin Tao, Xiao Shi slept from one to two in the afternoon.

Logically speaking, Xiao Shi should have woken up long ago.

Xiao Shi was so obedient and sensible. How could she have slept for so long?

When she was in Hai Cheng, she had to work every day. How could she have slept for so long during her lunch break?

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian couldn't help but worry.

At this moment, Song Man began to panic. She looked at Gu Zhou with teary eyes and asked anxiously, "Aren't the results of the appraisal not out yet? Are you going to take her away now?"

Gu Zhou said coldly, "I think you should see a neurosurgeon. I made it very clear just now. No matter what the results are today, I'll take Xiao Shi away!"

Song Man pursed her lips.

The reason why she could stay in the Dongjiang villa fearlessly was entirely because of Xiao Shi.

Xiao Shi was her protective umbrella.

Xiao Shi was also her bargaining chip with the Gu family.

If she was brought back to the Gu family, how would she negotiate with Gu Zhou in the future? How would she marry Gu Zhou?

“No, absolutely not. I won’t allow you to take Xiao Shi away. Xiao Shi is my daughter. She has to stay by my side,” Song Man said anxiously.

Seeing Gu Zhou’s indifferent expression, Song Man continued, “Children can’t leave their mother’s side. If you forcefully take her away, it might affect her life!”

All of Gu Zhou’s patience disappeared. He looked at Song Man coldly, as if he was looking at trash. “If I let Xiao Shi stay by your side forever, it will be even worse for her growth!”

Hearing Gu Zhou’s words, Song Man’s expression changed. Could it be that Gu Zhou already knew about Hai Cheng?

Therefore, Gu Zhou was taking revenge on her.

Actually, Gu Zhou had already asked Chen Qing to keep an eye on the Dongjiang villa.

Even though Song Man had performed well in the Dongjiang villa and would take the initiative to help, in Gu Zhou’s opinion, the person who took the initiative had always been Xiao Shi.

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Only those who worked often would have rough hands.

Xiao Shi’s hands were rough.

Later on, Gu Zhou also looked at the surveillance cameras. He had never expected that when he woke up in the morning at the age of five, not only did she have to wash up herself, but she also had to help Song Man carry water to wash up.

Song Man had lost one hand, but her other hand was still there.

Song Man could have worked on her own, but she let a five-year-old child do these things.

It was precisely because of this that Gu Zhou had initially wanted to compensate Song Man, but in the end, he gave up this thought.

A vicious woman like Song Man was not worthy of compensation at all.

When the results were out, he would be able to confirm if Song Man was the mother of the two children.

If Song Man was not the mother of the two children, how did she appear beside her ?

Or could it be that Song Man had done something manipulative from the beginning to the end?

Song Man knew what had happened that night five years ago. To be precise, it had been almost six years since that incident.

This proved that Song Man was related to that girl. As for their relationship, he could not be sure.

Chen Qing's preliminary investigation found that Song Man and Xiao Shi had lived in Hai Cheng for five years.

It seemed that if he wanted to know who the biological mother of the two children was, he had to start with Song Man, because Song Man seemed to be an insider.

Qiao Nian stood beside Gu Zhou. She could sense that Gu Zhou hated Song Man.

To be honest, she didn't like Song Man either.

How innocent and adorable was her child? Song Man was actually so vicious as to let her child do so much work.

Moreover, she had come here today to take Xiao Shi away.

She was worried that Song Man would lose control of her temper and abuse Xiao Shi again.

She did not want Xiao Shi to suffer any grievance.

With this thought in mind, Qiao Nian said, "I want to take a look at Xiao Shi."

Qiao Nian was speaking to Gu Zhou.

Before Gu Zhou could speak, Song Man impatiently rejected Qiao Nian's suggestion. "No, you can't see her!"

A trace of confusion flashed across Qiao Nian's face.

Song Man quickly reacted. She felt that her attitude was a little too unyielding. After some thought, she said, "Xiao Shi is my daughter. I'll call her. You don't have to!"

Qiao Nian looked at Song Man suspiciously and said, "Isn't your reaction a little too big? I just wanted to take a look at Xiao Shi. Besides, it's not up to me to decide if I'll take Xiao Shi away. It should be up to Gu Zhou. Your reaction is so big. Could it be..."

Qiao Nian's heart jumped to her throat. She narrowed her eyes and looked at Song Man suspiciously.

Her heart began to race, and the uneasiness in her heart gradually grew. Without waiting for Song Man to speak, she walked upstairs.

She walked very quickly and did not realize that she was very anxious.

Gu Zhou sensed that Song Man's expression was not good. He glanced at her with a complicated expression and followed her.

Song Man frowned and jogged after him, her heart in a mess.

Qiao Nian walked to Xiao Shi's room and knocked on the door. There was no movement inside. She knocked twice more, but there was no response.

Qiao Nian's face was filled with anxiety. She couldn't help but knock a few more times, but there was still no movement in the room.

How odd.

Even if Xiao Shi was asleep, she should have woken up when she heard her knock on the door.

Moreover, she had been taking care of Song Man for so many years. She usually did not sleep well. Now that there was movement, she should be able to get up.

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian felt her heart become empty.

Qiao Nian's heart was in a mess. In the end, she kicked the door open.

The sound of the door being kicked open was very loud, but Xiao Shi, who had been sleeping on the bed, seemed to not hear it.

She slept quietly in the middle of the bed, like a sleeping beauty. However, her face was a little pale, and her lips were pale.

Song Man frowned slightly. She walked in first and sat by Xiao Shi's bed. She looked at Qiao Nian with disdain and said angrily, "I already said that the child is taking an afternoon nap. How can you disturb her? She's not your child. You don't know how to feel sorry for her at all!"

At this moment, Song Man didn't forget to complain about Qiao Nian. She stole a glance at Gu Zhou and saw that his expression was indifferent. He had no intention of paying her any attention.

She really didn't understand what was so good about Qiao Nian. Why was Gu Zhou always on Qiao Nian's side?