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

881 Relief

Qiao Nian could only comfort Xiao Shi silently, because she knew that what Xiao Shi needed the most now was company.

After a while, under Qiao Nian's comfort, Xiao Shi gradually calmed down. She lowered her head and silently shed tears.

Holding a tissue, Qiao Nian carefully wiped the tears from Xiao Shi's eyes.

Xiao Shi let Qiao Nian wipe her tears. She seemed to have thought of something and looked up at Qiao Nian.

Her eyes were like those of a deer, extremely clear. Her eyes were filled with tears, making one's heart ache.

Xiao Shi asked tearfully, "Auntie Nian Nian... Am I sick? Am I especially stupid? I know she doesn't like me, and I know that I'm a burden to her, but I've always felt that she's my mommy and I've always missed her because she's my mommy to begin with. But what did she say? She's not my mommy. Auntie Nian Nian, am I too stupid?"

"Xiao Shi, actually, you're very smart. It's normal for you to be confused now. When a person gets into a relationship with someone, they can't rationally withdraw easily. Auntie Nian Nian experienced these things . It took her a long time to understand."

Although she didn't know much about Qiao Nian's words, she heard something important.

"Was Auntie Nian Nian unhappy when she was young?"

"Yes, Auntie Nian Nian was sent to the mountains by my family when she was young. At that time, Auntie Nian Nian looked forward to them picking me up all day." As Qiao Nian spoke, she didn't forget to wipe the tears from Xiao Shi's eyes. She continued, "At that time, Auntie Nian Nian waited every day, but they didn't come. I only understood all of this later. Each of us should love ourselves first, then love the people who treat us well."

When Xiao Shi heard Qiao Nian's words, she said seriously, "Just like how Brother likes me and I like Brother?"

"Yes." Qiao Nian smiled at Xiao Shi and said gently, "Sometimes, someone you haven't met for a long time can love you the most. Love can transcend time. For example, Xiao Qi, your daddy, your grandmother, and Auntie Nian Nian fell in love with Xiao Shi the moment they saw her. As long as you feel it with your heart, you can feel our love."

When she heard Qiao Nian's words, the entire world seemed to be illuminated. She stared unblinkingly at Qiao Nian, so touched that tears fell uncontrollably.

Of course, she knew that someone loved her, but when she thought of Song Man, she was still very sad.

Qiao Nian knew that the pain in her heart couldn't be eliminated in a short period of time. It needed time to heal.

Although she didn't like Song Man very much, she still wanted to tell Xiao Shi about her objectively.

"Xiao Shi, actually, Song Man still likes you a lot." Qiao Nian smiled gently at Xiao Shi and said slowly.

Xiao Shi's eyes lit up. She looked at Qiao Nian expectantly. She really wanted to hear Qiao Nian continue.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips and continued, "If she really didn't like you, she wouldn't have pushed you back at the last moment and given you a chance to survive. I think she just committed suicide by jumping off a building. The reason why she brought you there wasn't because she wanted you to die with her. She wanted to die and was afraid that we wouldn't give her a chance."

Although Qiao Nian said that, she was just comforting Xiao Shi. Her words were half true.

She felt that the truth should be that Song Man wanted to use Xiao Shi as a bargaining chip. Later on, she wanted to commit suicide. She had originally planned to bring Xiao Shi along, but later on, Song Man found her conscience and couldn't bear to take Xiao Shi away, so she pushed Xiao Shi away.

Song Man should have cared a lot about Xiao Shi, but she had never realized this. Song Man only realized this clearly at the moment before she died.

Qiao Nian looked at the light in Xiao Shi's eyes and heaved a sigh of relief. She thought that Xiao Shi would think that her childhood was still very bright. At least in Xiao Shi's opinion, Song Man cared about her.

Xiao Shi was very smart and sensible, but she was still young and was easily affected by the attitude of those close to her.

Just like her.

Just like Gu Qi, who was being taken care of by a vicious nanny.

882 Incomprehension

The current Gu Qi had already walked out of that dark life and was gradually communicating more with others.

What Qiao Nian hoped for the most now was that Xiao Shi wouldn't live in the past forever. She hoped that Xiao Shi could be lively and cheerful forever. She hoped to leave a beautiful image of Song Man in Xiao Shi's heart. That way, Xiao Shi would be much happier.

After all, she did not want Xiao Shi to go to the extreme like Song Man.

The fact that she had swallowed more than half a bottle of sleeping pills proved that she would really go to the extreme.

Qiao Nian comforted Xiao Shi a few more times and finally coaxed her to sleep.

This time, Xiao Shi did not frown in her sleep, proving that she did not have any more nightmares.

Qiao Nian covered Xiao Shi with the blanket and walked towards the window.

Song Man had jumped down from this window just now.

Qiao Nian had never understood why Song Man insisted on jumping off a building.

Gu Zhou had clearly said that he would not pursue Song Man's matter.

However, Song Man still jumped down without hesitation.

Previously, Song Man had thought of ways to enter the Gu family with Xiao Shi. That meant that Song Man wanted a better life.

Although there was a mistake now and it was impossible for Song Man to enter the Gu family, the Gu family would definitely give Song Man a large sum of money.

Song Man could still live a carefree life, so why did she have to die?

Could it be that Song Man had always wanted Gu Zhou?

If Song Man really wanted Gu Zhou, she should have pretended to be pitiful in front of him. She shouldn't have said anything harsh.

In the past five years, Song Man had lived in Hai Cheng with Xiao Shi. According to Xiao Shi, their lives had been very difficult.

Qiao Nian could tell that Xiao Shi had a hard time. She had to work every day.

However, Song Man's life was not hard. She did not do any chores.

That left only one possibility.

Song Man did not want them to know who Gu Qi and Xiao Shi's biological mother were.

This matter was actually very simple. Gu Zhou had promised not to pursue Song Man's matter, so Song Man could live a happy and stable life. Even if they found out who the mother of the child was, it initially had nothing to do with Song Man.

Could it be that if Song Man died, they wouldn't investigate her past?

Song Man was too naive.

At this moment, Gu Zhou pushed the door open.

Qiao Nian turned to look at Gu Zhou. Seeing Gu Zhou gesture for her to come out, she walked out.

Qiao Nian walked out and looked at Gu Zhou uneasily. She asked, "Has the matter been settled? Did the police contact Song Man's family?"

When Gu Zhou heard Qiao Nian's question, he frowned slightly and said solemnly, "The police have only found out that Song Man has been living in Hai Cheng for the past five years and hasn't interacted with any outsiders. However, the police have said that they will continue to investigate Song Man. If there are any new clues, they will tell us!"

Qiao Nian's expression changed slightly.

If she wasn't wrong, Song Man should have known long ago that Xiao Shi's father was Gu Zhou.

Why hadn't Song Man brought Xiao Shi to An City in the past?

What exactly was Song Man doing?

Qiao Nian was a little glad now. If she wasn't a medical student, she might not have noticed anything wrong with the paternity test report. Then, Song Man would naturally become Gu Qi and Xiao Shi's biological mother.

"How is Xiao Shi now?" Gu Zhou asked.

"Her emotions are still unstable. She just woke up once, and now she's asleep again." Thinking of Xiao Shi's state, Qiao Nian frowned again. She wondered if Xiao Shi would really listen to her comforting words.

Gu Zhou nodded. His gaze fell on Qiao Nian's furrowed brow. He reached out and gently smoothed her brows.

Qiao Nian's expression faltered. She looked up at Gu Zhou and inadvertently met those deep eyes.

His gaze was very gentle.

Before Qiao Nian could regain her senses, Gu Zhou had already retracted his hand.

"You've worked hard!"

Hearing Gu Zhou's gentle voice and looking into his gentle eyes, Qiao Nian recalled the first time she had seen him.

At that time, Gu Zhou had been wary of her, as if she had been sent by someone else to deal with the Gu family. Gu Zhou's eyes were very cold. Being stared at by Gu Zhou was like being stared at by the Grim Reaper.

883 Fainted

Time had passed, and the two of them had actually gotten along.

Time was truly a mage.

Qiao Nian smiled and shook her head. "Actually, it wasn't hard on me. My heart just ached for Gu Qi and Xiao Shi."

"Hm?"

Qiao Nian sighed and said, "Gu Qi has always thought that Song Man was his biological mother. At that time, he happily swapped identities with Xiao Shi and went to meet Song Man alone, but..."

She paused for a moment and continued, "But Xiao Qi had an argument with Song Man because of me. In a fit of anger, Song Man slapped Xiao Qi!"

Seeing Gu Zhou's expression darken, Qiao Nian hurriedly continued, "Don't worry too much. Xiao Qi's face is fine."

"We should have let Song Man live. Let her live a life worse than death." Gu Zhou's eyes were cold, and his voice was like a demon from hell.

Qiao Nian pursed her lips and said, "This is all in the past. As long as Xiao Qi finds out that Song Man isn't his biological mother, he definitely won't think about this anymore."

Gu Zhou nodded in agreement. He was very curious as to why Song Man had to die.

"What I'm most worried about is Xiao Shi," Qiao Nian said seriously. "Xiao Shi has been by Song Man's side. She has the deepest feelings for Song Man. I think she might not be able to accept that Song Man was just using her because the most important person in her heart at that time was Song Man."

Qiao Nian continued, "I just told Xiao Shi that actually, Song Man cares a lot about her. For the sake of Xiao Shi's mental health, let's portray Song Man as a mother who likes her very much!"

Gu Zhou looked at Qiao Nian with a complicated expression.

Qiao Nian really liked Gu Qi and Xiao Shi and placed these two children in her heart.

"Nian'er."

"What's wrong?" Qiao Nian looked at Gu Zhou in confusion.

Gu Zhou moved his lips slightly, but no words came out. He reached out his long arm and pulled Qiao Nian into his arms.

Qiao Nian's nose bumped into Gu Zhou's chest. It hurt a little.

The tip of her nose was filled with Gu Zhou's unique fragrance. Listening to his strong heartbeat, Qiao Nian couldn't help but blush.

She did not push Gu Zhou away, but let him hug her.

There were many people in the corridor. They walked back and forth. Every time they passed by Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian, they would look at them.

After an unknown period of time, Gu Zhou's low and magnetic voice rang in Qiao Nian's ears.

"Nian'er, no matter who their biological mother is, don't leave me, okay?"

Gu Zhou sounded a little uneasy, as if he was really worried that she would leave him.

This was the first time Qiao Nian had seen Gu Zhou like this. In the past, Gu Zhou would only speak his mind coldly and domineeringly. He had never discussed anything with her.

Qiao Nian's heart skipped a beat. Actually, she didn't want to leave these two children either. She really liked Gu Qi and Xiao Shi. It was as if staying by their side could make up for the pain of losing her children in the past.

In the past, she had wanted to leave Gu Zhou every day. Now, she sincerely wanted to stay.

During this period of time, not only had Gu Zhou changed, but she had also changed.

Gu Zhou was not just Gu Zhou, but also the brother in white who had saved her.

Qiao Nian didn't answer Gu Zhou directly. Instead, she reached out and hugged Gu Zhou, using her actions to tell him.

The uneasiness in Gu Zhou's eyes instantly dissipated, leaving only peace of mind.

He gently closed his eyes. When he opened them again, his vision was blurry.

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Gu Zhou had just said one word when he fainted, his body pressing against Qiao Nian's.

Qiao Nian helped Gu Zhou up in a panic, struggling to support this man who was more than a head taller than her.

"Gu Zhou?"

Qiao Nian called out.

Then the man on top of her didn't answer.

Only then did Qiao Nian realize that Gu Zhou had really fainted.

When she realized this, her heart skipped a beat. Fear and unease welled up in her heart.

"Gu Chuan!" Qiao Nian called out in a panic, her eyes filled with unease.

No matter what she called out, Gu Zhou did not respond.

Qiao Nian hurriedly helped Gu Zhou up. In a panic, she shouted, "Nurse, where is the nurse?"

884 Send Him to the Emergency Room!

"Doctor! Nurse!"

When the doctors and nurses passing by not far away heard Qiao Nian's cry, they quickly rushed over and helped Qiao Nian help Gu Zhou to a portable bed.

Qiao Nian looked down at Gu Zhou's pale face. His lips were pale, as if they would shatter with a touch.

Her gaze fell on Gu Zhou's forehead. Seeing that his head was covered in sweat, she was slightly stunned.

When she was talking to Gu Zhou just now, she had been paying attention to his gaze and not his expression.

It seemed that Gu Zhou had been holding back for a long time.

However, Qiao Nian didn't understand why Gu Zhou had to endure the discomfort. Why didn't he say that he was uncomfortable when he was hugging her?

Could it be that he had been feeling unwell since he came up?

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian's heart gradually sank. Pain gradually spread throughout her body.

The doctor briefly examined Gu Zhou's condition and said to the nurse with a serious expression, "The patient's condition isn't good now. He has to be sent to the emergency room!"

"There's no need." Qiao Nian refused and looked at the doctor seriously. "Send him to a private ward now."

Previously, she had prepared a medicinal bath and acupuncture for Gu Zhou. Gu Zhou had not had an attack in a long time. Qiao Nian knew that Gu Zhou had fallen ill because of what had happened when he was young. At that time, Gu Zhou had been too nervous and uneasy, which was why he had fallen ill.

Qiao Nian took out a medicine bottle from Gu Zhou's suit jacket, took out a pill, and stuffed it into Gu Zhou's mouth.

The doctor was stunned when he heard this. He frowned and said, "The patient's condition is very critical. It's best to send him to the emergency room now. Otherwise, even a god won't be able to save him. What are you putting in his mouth? If you don't understand, can you stop causing trouble? You..."

Qiao Nian glared daggers at him.

The doctor's scalp went numb under Qiao Nian's gaze. He immediately fell silent and pursed his lips.

Qiao Nian retracted her gaze and lowered her head to hold Gu Zhou's hand. With a serious expression, she said, "Don't worry, I won't let anything happen to you."

The doctor standing at the side was already speechless.

He was clearly the doctor. Where did this woman get her confidence from?

Just as the doctor was about to speak, he saw the woman say to the nurse beside her, "Find a private ward."

The two nurses looked at each other. In the end, they both looked at the doctor.

The doctor coughed and finally nodded. He wanted to see what this woman was going to do.

In the end, Gu Zhou was pushed into a private ward.

The doctor stood at the side with a frown. Seeing the woman take out some silver needles, his expression turned serious.

He saw that woman insert a silver needle into the patient's body.

Before he could react, she was about to insert all the other silver needles into the patient's head.

He was a Western doctor, but he also knew a little about Chinese medicine.

He knew that the places the woman inserted should be all acupuncture points.

Qiao Nian was fully focused on performing acupuncture on Gu Zhou. Seeing Gu Zhou frown on the bed, her heart, which had been in her throat, finally relaxed.

The nurse watched Qiao Nian's actions and saw the patient frown. She asked worriedly, "Is he in pain? I'll send him to the emergency room!"

"Only I can treat his illness!" Qiao Nian didn't even look at the nurse. She stared unblinkingly at Gu Zhou, taking his pulse. Her expression grew more and more serious.

When the doctor heard Qiao Nian's words, he said unhappily, "If you trust a doctor, there must be a way to help you save him!"

After taking Gu Zhou's pulse, Qiao Nian placed his hand on the bed. She looked up at the doctor and asked, "If he goes to the emergency room, where do you plan to start?"

The doctor glanced at Gu Zhou, who was lying on the bed, and said, "Of course we have to do a checkup first. We have to confirm what's wrong with him before we can treat the illness."

Qiao Nian smiled and nodded. "I agree with you, but I'm his private doctor. I know everything about him."

Doctor was speechless. If he already has a private doctor, why did you still come to the hospital?

Just as the doctor finished thinking, he saw that the person on the bed had already woken up.

He was stunned.

This woman had pricked the patient with just a few needles. How could she be so powerful?

885 Little Puppy

Seeing that Gu Zhou had woken up, Qiao Nian hurriedly looked at him, her eyes filled with nervousness and unease.

As soon as Gu Zhou woke up, he saw many strangers standing beside him. A trace of surprise flashed in his eyes, and he subconsciously wanted to escape.

Qiao Nian noticed Gu Zhou's expression and narrowed her eyes.

How could Gu Zhou look afraid?

What exactly was going on?

Gu Zhou looked around, his eyes lighting up when his gaze finally landed on Qiao Nian's face.

He hurriedly sat up and hugged Qiao Nian's waist, burying his head in her chest, looking afraid and asking for comfort.

Qiao Nian was stunned.

Gu Zhou would not do such a thing.

Everyone in the ward was stunned. Seeing Gu Zhou like this, the nurses looked at Qiao Nian and Gu Zhou with stars in their eyes, eating dog food on the spot.

Oh my god, so he was a little puppy!

Where did she find such an obedient and adorable little puppy?

The doctor looked at Gu Zhou and took a step forward. "Patient, how do you feel now? Do you need a checkup?"

Seeing the doctor approach, Gu Zhou's frown deepened. He hugged Qiao Nian tightly.

Qiao Nian realized that something was wrong with Gu Zhou. She asked, "What's wrong..."

He looked up at Qiao Nian, her face reflected in his eyes. He said pitifully, "Nian Nian, Zhou Zhou hurts..."

The nurses who were eating dog food at the scene were all stunned. Their eyes were filled with love.

When Chen Qing walked in, the nurses stared at Second Young Master like wolves and tigers.

Chen Qing glanced at Gu Zhou again and frowned slightly. He had a bad feeling.

At Qiao Nian's signal, he chased the doctors and nurses out.

"Alright, it's fine. Everyone, disperse..."

The nurses looked at Gu Zhou reluctantly and walked out.

"Oh, that man is so handsome. I want such an obedient little puppy too!"

"That man's voice is so beautiful. My ears can get pregnant!"

"I'm envious of others for having a handsome little puppy!"

The nurse's voice trailed off.

The doctor stood in the ward for a long time, unwilling to leave. He still wanted to speak to Gu Zhou, but when Gu Zhou saw him, he hugged Qiao Nian tightly and buried his head in her arms, looking unwilling to speak to him and very afraid.

In the end, the doctor was sent out under Chen Qing's unfriendly gaze.

After Chen Qing sent them all out, he closed the door of the ward.

Seeing that the others had left, Qiao Nian heaved a sigh of relief.

Just now, with outsiders here, she did not dare to speak casually, afraid that others would discover Gu Zhou's abnormality.

She had never expected Gu Zhou's second personality to appear.

Some time ago, Gu Zhou's third personality, Gu Chuan, had already fused with Gu Zhou himself. Moreover, Gu Zhou's condition was very stable. She had already forgotten about Gu Zhou's second personality, Zhou Zhou.

In the past, she discovered that Gu Zhou's second personality only appeared when he was in extreme pain.

What had just happened must have agitated Gu Zhou. Gu Zhou must have recalled what had happened when he was young, which was why Zhou Zhou had appeared.

Qiao Nian suddenly realized something. After suffering such a huge blow today, would Xiao Shi split into other personalities in the future?

She wondered if Gu Zhou's schizophrenia would be inherited.

If that was the case, then she would have to spend a lot of time with Xiao Shi in the future to let her forget all the unhappiness.

Qiao Nian knew in her heart that the reason why Gu Zhou had developed this personality was definitely because he had been in a lot of pain when he was young.

At the thought of this, Qiao Nian's heart softened. She gently patted Gu Zhou's back and said gently, "Zhou Zhou... don't be afraid. No one will hurt you. I'll always protect you!"

Qiao Nian let go of Gu Zhou and bent down, looking straight into his eyes.

His eyes were no longer as cold and arrogant as they usually were. His eyelashes were trembling slightly like butterfly wings. His eyes were filled with fear and unease, indicating his true feelings.

At this moment, he was very afraid.

Seeing him like this, Qiao Nian panicked. She had seen Zhou Zhou this way. In the past, Zhou Zhou had never looked afraid.