

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

911 Biological Mother

He liked his mommy. He wanted her to smile at him, think about him and stand in front of him and protect him every time.

Gu Qi's gaze fell on the dates of the two appraisal reports. When he saw that the date was early this morning, he was stunned.

Gu Qi silently placed the two appraisal reports back on the ground and pretended not to see them.

So Mommy had only found out today that they were her children.

No wonder Mommy looked at him strangely this morning. Mommy probably had a lot to say to him, but she didn't know how to start!

Gu Qi's eyes grew redder and redder. Mommy had never told him and his sister about the appraisal report. She probably hadn't thought of what to tell them!

Xiao Shi's eyes were also red. She looked at Qiao Nian's back, her eyes sparkling.

At this moment, Qiao Nian had already driven to the funeral home.

After parking the car, Xiao Shi wanted to talk about the appraisal report, but Gu Qi stopped her.

Xiao Shi looked at Gu Qi in confusion.

Gu Qi shook his head, indicating for Xiao Shi not to speak.

Although she didn't understand what Gu Qi was thinking, she still nodded obediently and didn't speak.

Gu Qi and Xiao Shi got out of the car. Seeing them climb out, Qiao Nian's gaze fell on the A4 paper in the middle. Her expression changed

slightly. She hurriedly picked up the paper and placed it in her bag, feeling very flustered.

The two children probably didn't see it!

If they saw it, they wouldn't be so calm. They would definitely ask her why she didn't acknowledge them.

Moreover, the two children were so young. They shouldn't be able to understand the appraisal report.

Qiao Nian comforted herself.

"Mommy!"

Hearing Gu Qi's voice, Qiao Nian turned around and saw Gu Qi holding Xiao Shi's hand obediently. He was extremely adorable.

Qiao Nian couldn't help but smile, her eyes narrowing in joy.

Although she didn't know what had happened to her children when she gave birth, she was very touched that God had sent them back to her side.

Fortunately, her children were still alive.

Qiao Nian's eyes were slightly red. She closed the car door and walked towards the two children.

When she walked up to the two children, they naturally let go and stood on either side of her, obediently holding her hand.

At this moment, Qiao Nian felt the strong love from the two children. Her heart warmed, and she was so touched that she couldn't speak.

After a long while, when Qiao Nian calmed down, she looked at Xiao Shi, who was standing beside her, and asked gently, "Xiao Shi, are you ready?"

When Xiao Shi heard Qiao Nian's words, she nodded seriously.

Before she saw the report, her heart was still in a mess. However, when she thought about how Mommy Nian Nian was her biological mother, she felt a sense of security.

She knew that no matter what happened, her mommy would always be by her side. No matter what she did, her mommy would always support and encourage her.

Holding the hands of the two children, Qiao Nian walked into the funeral parlor.

There were many people in the funeral parlor. Everyone came and went. Many people lowered their heads and wiped their tears. Some people looked sad.

Qiao Nian brought the two children to question the staff and found out that Song Man's corpse had been sent to the cemetery after it was cremated.

Xiao Shi's beautiful eyes flickered as she tilted her head in confusion.

Qiao Nian thanked the staff, then returned to the car with the two children.

The cemetery wasn't far from the funeral home. Qiao Nian arrived in twenty minutes.

When they arrived at the cemetery, Qiao Nian asked around for the location of Song Man's grave and walked towards it with Xiao Shi and Gu Qi.

Xiao Shi pursed her lips tightly. At the thought that she would see Song Man soon, her expression turned serious. She seemed to have thought of something and looked up at Qiao Nian, asking, "Will she continue to be here in the future?"

Qiao Nian gripped Xiao Shi's hand tightly and nodded. "She'll always be here in the future."

A trace of sorrow flashed in Xiao Shi's eyes.

Qiao Nian brought Xiao Shi to Song Man's tombstone. There was a photo of Song Man on the tombstone, and her name was written below.

912 Talking to Her Alone

Qiao Nian looked around but didn't see anyone else. A trace of confusion flashed in her eyes, but she quickly focused on Xiao Shi.

Xiao Shi stood in front of the tombstone. When she saw Song Man's photo, there was suddenly no trace of sadness in her heart.

In the photo, Song Man had a bright smile on her face. Everything around her paled in comparison.

Song Man was rarely happy. Xiao Shi still remembered that on Song Man's birthday, she had secretly prepared a cake for her. Song Man had smiled happily.

At that time, Xiao Shi realized that Song Man looked very good when she smiled.

She had always thought that Song Man was unhappy because she only had one arm.

Xiao Shi recalled everything she had done with Song Man. She had never expected Song Man to be a bad person.

"Can I speak to her alone?" As Xiao Shi spoke, she looked up at Qiao Nian and asked seriously.

Qiao Nian nodded, then let go of Xiao Shi's hand and walked away with Gu Qi.

There was a public chair not far away. She sat on it with Gu Qi, so she could see Xiao Shi.

Xiao Shi stood in front of the tombstone, staring unblinkingly at Song Man's photo. She avoided the flowers in front of the tombstone and walked to it.

Her young hand gently wiped Song Man's photo, and her eyes turned slightly red.

Although she knew that Song Man had ill intentions, she had spent five years with her every day and night. It was impossible to say that she had no feelings for her.

"Mommy..." Xiao Shi called out softly, her voice choked.

In a daze, she seemed to see Song Man sitting at the side and smiling at her.

"Mommy..." Xiao Shi walked towards Song Man. Just as she was about to hug the tombstone, she seemed to have thought of something and retracted her hand. "I can't call you Mommy anymore!"

"Yes, Qiao Nian will be a good mommy. She'll take good care of you!" Song Man said softly. She reached out to touch Xiao Shi's face, but just as her hand was about to touch it, she retracted it. "You don't have to miss me!"

Xiao Shi looked at Song Man, her eyes red. She sniffled.

"Xiao Shi, eat well, sleep well, and grow up well. Don't come again!" With that, Song Man walked towards the tombstone and instantly disappeared.

Xiao Shi came back to her senses. She didn't know if she had imagined everything that had just happened, or if she had really seen Song Man's soul.

"Mommy!" Xiao Shi looked at the tombstone, her tears falling uncontrollably.

Everything about her interactions with Song Man flashed in her mind.

Song Man fed her awkwardly with one hand.

Song Man helped her put on her clothes with difficulty.

She carried water to help Song Man wash her face.

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Song Man always had a sorrowful expression on her face. Occasionally, she would even smile.

To Song Man, the past five years might have been a fifth of her life, but to Xiao Shi, it was everything.

“In the future, Qiao Nian will be my mommy from now on. I know you care about me, but you just don’t know how to express it.” Tears welled up in her eyes as she blinked, trying hard not to cry. She continued, “I’ll live a good life in the future and be happy with Daddy and Mommy. I hope you...”

At this point, her eyes gradually dimmed.

The photo of Song Man on the tombstone was so bright. It was impossible to tell that she was a bad person.

Her small hand caressed Song Man’s photo and she said, “In the future, be a good person and live a happy life. Don’t live so tiredly.”

After Xiao Shi composed herself, she said goodbye and left without looking back.

She walked towards Qiao Nian and Gu Qi. Her lips curved up slightly, revealing a happy smile.

From now on, she would be the daughter of Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian.

She had Daddy and Mommy’s love.

She had her brother’s love.

And Grandma's love.

In the future, more people would like and dote on her.

Of course, there were more people she cared about.

Seeing that Xiao Shi had arrived, Qiao Nian and Gu Qi hurriedly stood up.

Qiao Nian glanced at Xiao Shi's face. Worried that Xiao Shi would be sad, she was about to comfort her when Xiao Shi ran up to her and hugged her waist.

913 Great-grandmother

Qiao Nian looked down at Xiao Shi and patted her head. She bent down and picked her up, gently stroking her back.

"Mommy!"

Xiao Shi's gentle voice entered her ears.

"Hm?"

"Let's go home!"

Xiao Shi's voice sounded exceptionally happy. Qiao Nian couldn't help but feel happy. She carried Xiao Shi and spun her around twice before stopping. "Alright, let's go home!"

"Who are you? Give me my great-granddaughter back!" An old woman with white hair and a face full of wrinkles walked over in a hurry, stepping forward to snatch Xiao Shi.

Qiao Nian immediately put Xiao Shi down and shielded her behind her. Only then did she notice that the old lady was alone.

"Madam, are you mistaken? This is my daughter, not your great-granddaughter!" With that, Qiao Nian was about to leave with the two children when the old woman's words made her stop involuntarily.

“Xiao Shi, it’s Great-Grandma. Great-Grandma misses you. Why did you only come to see Great-Grandma now?” When the old lady said this, her eyes were red-rimmed. She reached out to hug Xiao Shi, but just as she reached out, she saw two identical children. “Oh my god, my granddaughter actually gave birth to a pair of twins. My poor granddaughter. How can she hide such a big thing from me? This silly child!”

Tears immediately streamed down the old lady’s face. She reached out to grab Xiao Shi and Gu Qi’s hands.

Qiao Nian quickly shielded Xiao Shi and Gu Qi behind her. If she wasn’t wrong, the person in front of her should be Song Man’s grandmother.

Since Song Man’s grandmother had appeared, it meant that her family was also nearby.

She looked down at Xiao Shi and saw that she was looking at the old lady in surprise. She was worried that Xiao Shi would soften and leave with the old lady.

She couldn’t be bothered to look for Song Man’s family. She pulled the two children back.

Xiao Shi followed Qiao Nian back and turned to look at the old woman.

“Xiao Shi, Xiao Shi, my darling, come back quickly!” The old lady jogged after her and grabbed Xiao Shi’s hand, crying until her nose was covered in snot and tears. “My good child, don’t leave. Great-grandmother will take good care of you in the future!”

Xiao Shi was stunned. She reached out to push the old woman away, but she was much weaker. “Let go of me!”

Qiao Nian shielded Gu Qi behind her and stepped forward, wanting to separate the old lady from Xiao Shi. She didn’t expect the old lady to hug Xiao Shi so tightly. She was afraid that she would hurt Xiao Shi. Moreover, she was too embarrassed to hit an old lady hard.

“Madam, please let go of my child. If you’re here, I’ll have to call the police!” Qiao Nian said righteously, taking her phone out of her pocket.

“Then call the police. What right do you have to take my granddaughter’s child away!” The old woman wiped her tears and said angrily, “You stole my granddaughter’s child. You’re a human trafficker!”

Qiao Nian took out her phone, too lazy to speak to the old woman. At this moment, a young woman in a nurse’s uniform ran over from afar.

“I’m Hu Lin, Grandma Wang’s nurse.” A gentle smile appeared on Hu Lin’s face as she explained patiently, “Miss, I’m really sorry. There’s something wrong with Grandma Wang. Please don’t stoop to her level.”

As Hu Lin spoke, she pointed at her head and glanced at Wang Yue.

Qiao Nian frowned slightly and said, “Miss Hu, I have other things to do at home. I’m going back, but Madam Wang is pestering my child now. My child is also frightened.”

Hu Lin hurriedly bent down and apologized. Then, she walked over to Wang Yue and whispered into her ear. Wang Yue immediately let go of Xiao Shi and looked at Hu Lin in a daze.

Hu Lin smiled at Qiao Nian. Her gaze fell on Xiao Shi’s face and she apologized sincerely. “I’m sorry, I’m really sorry. I apologize on behalf of Grandma Wang. Grandma Wang’s only granddaughter is gone. She can’t accept it for a while.”

“It’s fine. It’s indeed very easy to be affected by the departure of a relative.” Seeing that Xiao Shi’s expression was still fine, Qiao Nian said casually.

914 Misunderstanding?

“Yes, Grandma Wang only has one granddaughter left. Back then, after her granddaughter sent her to the sanatorium, she never went to see Grandma Wang again. Poor old lady. She just hoped that her granddaughter could take more care of her.” Hu Lin smiled dejectedly

and sighed slightly. “Young people these days really don’t care about old people at all. No one expected Grandma Wang’s granddaughter to be gone too.”

“Oh my god,” Qiao Nian echoed. “Who is Grandma Wang’s granddaughter? How can she leave her just like that?”

“I think her name is Song Man. I’m here today to accompany Grandma Wang to settle Song Man’s funeral. A white-haired person is sending a young person off.” Hu Lin pursed her lips, looking helpless.

“Then you must have a lot of things to do. We won’t disturb you anymore. We’ll leave first.” Qiao Nian smiled and left with the two children.

After taking two steps, she turned around and saw Wang Yue holding Hu Lin’s hand. She said pitifully, “Xiao Shi is my great-granddaughter. Lin Lin, can you bring Xiao Shi back?”

“Grandma Wang, you’ve got the wrong person. I’ll take you to look for Xiao Shi in the future, okay?” Hu Lin said gently.

“Oh, okay!” Wang Yue agreed reluctantly, still muttering “Xiao Shi”.

Qiao Nian retracted her gaze and looked down at Xiao Shi. She asked softly, “Xiao Shi, have you seen your great-grandmother?”

Xiao Shi looked up at Qiao Nian and shook her head. “In the past, Auntie Song said that we didn’t have any relatives.”

Qiao Nian didn’t say anything. After comforting Xiao Shi, she heaved a sigh of relief when she saw that Xiao Shi wasn’t frightened by Wang Yue’s appearance.

It seemed that she had to investigate the Song family carefully.

She knew in her heart that she had really let go of Song Man.

Holding the hands of the two children, she walked out.

When they returned to the Gu family villa, Qiao Nian asked the two children to play while she went to the medicinal room. She had to prepare medicine for Matriarch Gu and Gu Zhou.

Gu Qi and Xiao Shi watched as Qiao Nian left, looking like they wanted to say something but hesitated.

Gu Qi pursed his lips and pulled Xiao Shi back to the bedroom. He closed the door very carefully and walked to Xiao Shi's side.

Xiao Shi's eyes flickered as she looked at Gu Qi seriously. Puzzled, she asked, "Brother, why didn't Mommy acknowledge us?"

Gu Qi had also been thinking about this question just now. He shook his head gently. "Mommy should have her difficulties."

Xiao Shi felt that her mommy was a very gentle and kind person. Her mommy loved them very much, but she didn't understand why her mommy didn't tell them directly.

"Brother." Xiao Shi lowered her voice and asked seriously, "Does Daddy know that Mommy is our biological mother?"

Gu Qi frowned and said in a low voice, "I'm not sure."

Xiao Shi's little face drooped as she suggested seriously, "Should we tell Daddy about this? What if Daddy doesn't know and misses Mommy?"

Gu Qi was thinking about it when he heard Xiao Shi's words. He suddenly recalled something.

Last night, he had been sleeping when his father sat by his bed and woke him up.

He even told him that his sister had woken up from a nightmare and asked him to call Mommy home.

At that time, his first reaction was to take care of his sister. He was about to get out of bed but he didn't hear his sister crying. He was about to ask

his father, but his father still asked him to call Mommy and say that he was woken up because his sister was crying.

Later on, Mommy finally returned home. He was about to secretly visit his sister when he saw his father guarding the door of his sister's room with a dark expression.

At that time, he could sense his father's low mood, but now, he had a feeling that his father might know that his mommy was their biological mother.

If Dad knew about this, why didn't he tell Mommy directly?

Gu Qi looked at Xiao Shi seriously and shook his head. "I think Dad should already know about this."

Xiao Shi looked at Gu Qi in disbelief and exclaimed, "What?"

Her father actually knew about this. How was her father so amazing? He knew everything!

Gu Qi frowned and asked, "Sister, do you know how Dad and Mommy got together?"

915 Facing Difficulties

Xiao Shi had heard Song Man mention this before. She nodded and said, "I think Daddy and Mommy were schemed against and got together. After that, the two of them separated. That was when Mommy had us in her stomach!"

Gu Qi roughly understood why his mommy didn't acknowledge them. He sighed helplessly and said, "Mommy might hate Dad!"

When she heard Gu Qi's words, she gasped. She grabbed Gu Qi's hand and asked impatiently, "Brother, what should we do? We have to let Daddy and Mommy be together."

“We should let Mommy forget the pain of the past and walk out of it. That way, when Dad and Mommy are together, our family will be reunited!” Gu Qi said seriously.

Xiao Shi felt that Gu Qi’s words made sense and nodded seriously. She had to make her parents happy together. That way, their family of four could live happily together.

“Brother, what should we do now?” Xiao Shi asked eagerly.

When Gu Qi heard Xiao Shi’s words, he frowned again. After thinking for a long time, he said, “How about this? Let’s keep Mommy at home first. Only then will Dad have a chance to talk to Mommy properly. The two of them might be able to bury the hatchet!”

“Yes!” Xiao Shi nodded solemnly, as if she was about to face a life-and-death matter.

Gu Qi said with a serious expression, “As long as we keep Mommy here, not only will we have a father, but we will also have a mother. We will be the happiest children in the world, so we have to work hard to keep Dad and Mommy!”

Xiao Shi nodded in agreement. The two little heads leaned together and began to discuss the specific plan.

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Qiao Nian walked into the medicinal room. She took out her phone and sent Qin Chuan a message.

“How’s the investigation on Song Man’s family?”

Soon, Qin Chuan replied, “We’ve found out that Song Man was adopted. The person who adopted her is called Wang Yue.”

When Qiao Nian saw the words “Wang Yue”, she was slightly stunned. Could it be that Qin Chuan was referring to the old lady she had seen at the cemetery today?

“Anything about Song Man’s adoptive parents?” Qiao Nian looked curious.

“Wang Yue’s son and daughter-in-law had been together for five years, but they had no children. The two of them often quarreled. In order to ease their relationship, Wang Yue brought back a baby from somewhere else. That baby was Song Man. Not only did Song Man’s appearance not make her son and daughter-in-law reconcile, but it also made her son and daughter-in-law have a divorce. After her son and daughter-in-law divorced, they married other people. After that, Song Man no longer had anyone to take care of her, so Wang Yue took her in.”

Seeing this message, Qiao Nian’s expression darkened.

According to the information Qin Chuan had found, Song Man had no status at all with her adoptive parents. Only Wang Yue cared about her.

It seemed that it was impossible for such adoptive parents to help Song Man with a bone marrow transplant.

Qiao Nian’s mind raced. It seemed that she had to investigate Song Man’s biological parents.

“Go and investigate Song Man’s biological parents.” After Qiao Nian sent the message, she put her phone aside.

She walked to the medicine cabinet and began to organize the herbs.

Matriarch Gu and Gu Zhou’s pills were almost done. She had to prepare them in advance.

By the time she was done, three hours had passed.

Qiao Nian placed the pills she had made into white porcelain bottles and labeled each bottle in case she made a mistake.

She stood in front of the experiment table and looked at the remaining herbs on the table in a daze.

Now, Xiao Shi's issues had been resolved and Gu Qi no longer refused to communicate with others.

Everything was going well.

Other than her relationship with Gu Zhou.

She didn't know how to face Gu Zhou.

Qiao Nian's frown deepened. Logically speaking, she should hate Gu Zhou.

However, Gu Zhou had saved her in the past. Moreover, when that incident happened, Gu Zhou was a victim.

She couldn't help but be in a difficult situation.

916 Big Plan

At this moment, the ringtone of her phone interrupted her thoughts.

Qiao Nian looked at her phone not far away and walked over. Seeing that it was Lu Zhu, she picked up.

"Sugar!"

Lu Zhu's voice was as gentle as ever.

Qiao Nian felt a warmth in her heart. Thinking of Lu Zhu's comforting words in the past, her lips curved up involuntarily. "Brother!"

"What are you doing now? Do you have time?"

"I just finished making the pills. I'm fine now." Qiao Nian gripped her phone tightly. She guessed that Lu Zhu had already asked her mother for information. Pursing her lips, she asked, "Brother, have you asked Mom?"

"After you told me, I went to ask Mom. She said that you've never donated your bone marrow to anyone else!"

Lu Zhu's answer confirmed Qiao Nian's thoughts. Back then, those people must have kidnapped her to do a bone marrow transplant for Song Man.

If that was the case, it would be difficult to investigate this matter. After all, she didn't have memories of that time.

"Then did Mom investigate the other tissues on the broken arm back then?" Qiao Nian asked solemnly.

"I investigated everything. It was precisely because all the results were your DNA that Mom was sure that you were killed!"

When Qiao Nian heard Lu Zhu's words, her frown deepened. Indeed, it was as she had guessed. The person who had kidnapped her back then was near her family.

"Looks like someone tampered with the sample when Mom was doing the DNA test!" Qiao Nian said thoughtfully.

"Yes."

Qiao Nian's eyes gradually turned cold. She continued, "Looks like that person is by our parents' side. Back then, when I was kidnapped, it wasn't just a simple kidnapping. That person probably wanted my bone marrow transplanted into Song Man's body."

Lu Zhu sat in front of his desk. With a tired expression, he took off the gold-rimmed glasses on his nose and threw them on the table. His voice instantly turned cold. "I thought so too, so I investigated the patients who had bone marrow transplants in various hospitals, but I didn't find anyone who matched Song Man's DNA."

Qiao Nian sighed slightly and said, "I haven't found anything here either. I met Song Man's grandmother, Wang Yue, today. Song Man seems to have been adopted! If I'm not wrong, Song Man's illness is congenital. Her family might have been planning this since a long time ago."

“You’re saying that Song Man was deliberately sent out. In that case, even if we find out that you were kidnapped and your bone marrow was donated to Song Man, we won’t be able to find any information about her biological parents.” Lu Zhu’s eyes instantly turned cold as he continued, “I think the other party had planned this long ago. Perhaps we won’t be able to find any clues. Do you think Song Man has interacted with those people?”

“Brother, Song Man should have been just a baby at that time. She shouldn’t have known about this either. After she was sent out, I guess she found out about her background later. However, I’m not sure how much she knew. She’s already dead and her corpse has been cremated. I still have her DNA information. Those people probably think that I don’t know about Song Man’s DNA and want to cremate her corpse as soon as possible. That way, they can hide everything from the past!”

“I have a bold guess. If she knows that you’re the mother of Gu Qi and Xiao Shi, it means that what happened that night five years ago has something to do with her.” Lu Zhu paused for a moment and continued, “Moreover, she used your bone marrow. Her blood is the same as yours, which means that it’s very likely that she knows that you’re the eldest daughter of the Lu family!”

Qiao Nian felt a chill run down her spine, and her eyes instantly turned cold. “From the beginning, she wanted to replace everything I had. She didn’t even want to have a child. She used me to give birth and wanted to become Madam Gu openly.”

Qiao Nian narrowed her eyes. Those people wanted to erase her existence and let Song Man replace her.

Song Man was the greatest beneficiary.

Lu Zhu also realized all of this. He said with a serious expression, “Don’t worry, I’ll investigate the people around Mom. Sugar, you’re in danger now. Those people all know that you’re still alive. Now that Song Man is dead, they might blame you for her death. You have to be careful!”

“Brother, I understand. I’ll protect myself!” Qiao Nian nodded in agreement. Suddenly, a trace of hesitation flashed in her eyes. “Brother, those people already know that I’m still alive, and they all know who I am. In that case, I don’t have to hide it anymore. When the time comes, make arrangements. I want to see Mom and Dad. Perhaps we can find clues through their memories!”

Qiao Nian hadn’t wanted to alert the enemy, but now she realized that those people all knew who she was. Moreover, those people also knew that she was still alive. There was no need for her to hide anymore.

“Yes. In the past, every time I asked Mother about helping you test your sample, she would have a headache and feel unwell. Sometimes, she would even faint. If she knew that you were still alive, she would definitely be very happy. She would definitely help us recall what happened back then. When we get back, I’ll let you reunite with your fourth brother. He still doesn’t know that you’re alive!”

When Qiao Nian heard Lu Zhu’s words, she paused for a moment and swallowed hard. “Brother, are you saying that I have a fourth brother?”

Jesus.

Why did she have so many brothers?

That wasn’t right.

How many brothers did she have?

Qiao Nian pursed her lips and asked carefully, “Brother, is Fourth Brother also my biological brother?”

“Yes!”

“Then how many brothers do I have?”

Qiao Nian felt that her parents were really good at giving birth.

When Lu Zhu heard Qiao Nian’s question, he couldn’t help but laugh. He said, “Your Third Brother, Fourth Brother, and you are triplets!”

“Triplets?”

At this moment, Qiao Nian finally understood why she could give birth to twins. It turned out that there was a gene in the family that favored the formation of twins!

“Yes, at that time, you were the youngest of the triplets. After that, you were especially indignant. You often fought with Third Brother and Fourth Brother and insisted that they call you Sister. When you couldn’t win, you even cried!” Lu Zhu recalled what had happened when he was young. His eyes gradually became gentle, and there was a smile on his lips.

When Qiao Nian heard Lu Zhu’s words, she couldn’t help but laugh. It was indeed something she could do. She had never admitted defeat.

When Lu Zhu heard Qiao Nian’s laughter, his heart couldn’t help but ache for her. It was rare for him to hear Qiao Nian laugh so happily.

“Sugar, actually, you don’t have to put on a brave front alone. Everyone is by your side, and everyone will help you. If it’s the truth, we’ll investigate it slowly. There’s no need to be conflicted about the truth. Everyone wants you to live happily!”

Qiao Nian was very touched. Smiling, she said, “Brother, I understand!”

After Qiao Nian hung up, she recalled what Lu Zhu had just said and fell into deep thought.

In the past, she had always been tense. Even when she slept, she had nightmares. She had never relaxed.

There were many people around her who cared about her now, and they would all protect her. There was no need for her to hold on alone. She had to try to trust others.

As Qiao Nian thought about this, her phone suddenly rang. Her alarm clock was giving her a reminder.

She was preparing a gift for Qiao Xin, so she had set a time in advance.

Qiao Nian called Qiao Xin directly. The call went through very quickly.

Qiao Xin was undergoing a beauty treatment. When she saw Qiao Nian's call, a trace of surprise flashed in her eyes. She asked tentatively, "Sister? Why do you have the time to call me? Is something the matter?"

"Of course I have a gift for you. Are you free tonight? Can you come out for a while?" Qiao Nian said with a fake smile.

Qiao Xin was even more surprised. For some reason, she had a bad feeling about this.

Qiao Nian hated her very much. Now, she had actually taken the initiative to call her and even said that she had a gift for her.

Qiao Xin felt a chill run down her spine. She felt that Qiao Nian was a weasel wishing a chicken a happy new year. She had ill intentions.

"You—"

Before Qiao Xin could finish speaking, Qiao Nian hung up, not giving Qiao Xin a chance to refuse.

Qiao Xin had just finished her beauty treatments. After paying the bill, she walked towards the parking lot.

When she reached the parking lot, she took out her phone and called Qiao Yu. "Brother, I'm out. Where are you in the parking lot?"

918 Envy

"Zone C, 250."

"Okay," Qiao Xin replied and walked towards Qiao Yu.

She walked over to Qiao Yu excitedly and called out sweetly, "Brother." She moved her face closer to Qiao Yu. "Is my skin much better than before?"

Qiao Yu smiled gently and nodded. "It's indeed much better than before."

Qiao Xin said proudly, "A woman's face is the most important thing. I have to take good care of my skin in the future!"

"Okay," Qiao Yu agreed and opened the door of the front passenger seat. "Get in, let's go home."

Qiao Xin was about to get into the car when her phone rang.

She took it out and was slightly stunned when she saw Qiao Nian's text.

"Did something happen?" Qiao Yu asked worriedly when he saw Qiao Xin's expression.

"It's nothing." Qiao Xin turned off her phone guiltily, pretending to be indifferent. However, her heart was already in turmoil.

Qiao Yu didn't think too much about it. He gestured for Qiao Xin to get into the car.

In the car, Qiao Xin glanced at Qiao Yu, who was driving, with a complicated expression. She asked seriously, "Brother, how many sisters do you have? Which sister is the most important to you?"

Qiao Yu glanced at Qiao Xin curiously and couldn't help but laugh. "What are you saying?"

Qiao Xin's heart skipped a beat. She clenched her fists tightly.

"You're my only sister. What's there to ask?" Qiao Yu asked with a smile.

Qiao Xin heaved a sigh of relief. It seemed that in her brother's heart, she was also the most important.

After returning home, Qiao Xin saw that Qiao Yu was about to leave. Only then did she know that Qiao Yu was going to the company.

After sending Qiao Yu off, Qiao Xin was about to go back to rest when she accidentally passed by Qiao Yu's half-open study.

Her brother's study had always been locked, and he did not let the servants in. This time, her brother actually did not lock the door.

In the past, when she passed by the study, she would occasionally see her brother sitting at his desk and holding a photo.

In the past, she had made a fuss about wanting to see that photo, but her brother would hide it every time, unwilling to let her see it.

Now, she finally had a chance to see that photo. She was very curious about which girl had made his brother yearn for her.

Qiao Xin pushed the door open and walked in. She glanced at the desk. Apart from the computer, keyboard, and mouse, there were also some documents on the table.

She searched for a long time but didn't see any photos.

Qiao Xin rummaged through the drawer of the desk again. In the bottom drawer, she saw a photograph.

She took out the photo and looked at it in reverse. When she saw the face in the photo, she froze.

How could it be Qiao Nian?

Why would her brother hide a photo of Qiao Nian?

What kind of feelings did her brother have for Qiao Nian?

Qiao Xin's eyes gradually darkened, and she exuded a cold aura.

Qiao Nian was already standing at the top of An City. She was already very outstanding. She would never allow her brother to fall for Qiao Nian.

So what if Qiao Nian was high and mighty now?

The higher one stood, the more painful it would be when they fell. She wanted Qiao Nian to suffer a fate worse than death. She wanted her to fall to the ground and never get up again.

Five years ago, she could do this. She could still do this now.

As long as Qiao Nian disappeared...

She was the most outstanding young woman in An City.

Thinking of the message Qiao Nian had sent her, her lips curved up slightly. There was still time. It was enough for her to set everything up.

Qiao Xin took out her phone and sent Qiao Nian a message.

“Alright.”

Qiao Xin placed the photo back on the table, closed the drawer, and walked out.

Five years ago, she was the only one who had done that thing. Now, she was going to drag someone with her.

With that person around, she was absolutely safe.

Qiao Xin closed the study door, took out her phone, and called Song Man.

However, the call did not go through.

Qiao Xin frowned slightly. During this period of time, she had been calling Song Man. Although Song Man's phone was on, no one picked up.

She wondered what Song Man was busy with all day.

There wasn't even time to connect the call. Qiao Xin didn't take this matter to heart and began to plan for tonight.

Even without Song Man, she could handle this matter.

919 Planning

In the past, she might have taken Gu Zhou's identity into consideration and not attacked Qiao Nian.

However, Song Man planned to ruin Gu Zhou and Qiao Nian's marriage.

Song Man was the eldest daughter of the Lu family, and she had been engaged to Gu Zhou in the past.

Now that Song Man had arrived, the marriage between the Lu and Gu families would definitely take place again. At that time, Qiao Nian would be an unwanted wretch.

At the thought of this, Qiao Xin's eyes were filled with smiles.

What Qiao Xin didn't understand was why Song Man didn't return to the Lu family directly to acknowledge them.

From Song Man's words, it seemed that she wanted to be with Gu Zhou first.

Song Man must have taken a liking to Gu Zhou, so she went to look for him first.

In the past, Qiao Xin had heard from others that the Lu family especially cared about the eldest daughter of the Lu family. Every year, on the anniversary of the death of the eldest daughter of the Lu family, the Lu family would hold a grand ceremony. Every month, the Lu family would prepare many gifts for the eldest daughter of the Lu family.

At the thought of this, Qiao Xin felt a little envious of the eldest daughter of the Lu family. If she were the eldest daughter of the Lu family, she would have endless wealth and love. She would have won without putting in any effort.

Resigned to her fate, Qiao Xin took out her phone and called Lu Zhu.

“Hello.”

A cold male voice came through the phone. This voice was very pleasant to the ear.

Qiao Xin’s heart skipped a beat. She sighed with emotion. Song Man was really lucky to have a particularly capable and handsome brother with a pleasant voice.

However, Qiao Xin quickly composed herself. She said gently, “Hello, Mr. Lu. I’m Qiao Xin, Qiao Nian’s younger sister. We met once at the Gu family villa.”

Lu Zhu frowned slightly and hesitated for a long time. “Qiao Xin...”

“Yes,” Qiao Xin replied with a smile, remaining silent.

Lu Zhu quickly remembered who Qiao Xin was. His expression instantly darkened.

He had investigated Qiao Xin’s background. Qiao Xin seemed to be especially jealous of Sugar. She had even caused Sugar many troubles.

Lu Zhu’s eyes instantly turned cold. The coldness in his eyes deepened as he said, “So you’re Mrs. Gu’s sister. What can I do for you?”

Qiao Xin gave a bright smile, a trace of cunning flashing in her eyes. She asked gently, “Mr. Lu, I heard that the eldest daughter of the Lu family was kidnapped and you only found a part of her arm?”

“What are you getting at?”

Qiao Xin could tell that Lu Zhu’s voice was very cold.

Indeed, everyone in the Lu family cared a lot about the eldest daughter of the Lu family.

Qiao Xin maintained the smile on her face. “Mr. Lu, do you want to see your sister?”

Lu Zhu instantly became vigilant. He frowned slightly and asked, "What exactly do you mean?"

"Mr. Lu, I've already found out that the eldest daughter of the Lu family is still alive, but I'm not sure if Mr. Lu wants to see her."

When Lu Zhu heard Qiao Xin's words, he frowned slightly. He recalled what Qiao Nian had said previously and suspected that Qiao Xin was talking about Song Man.

Fortunately, he was prepared. Otherwise, he would have given himself away.

However, he was very curious. Song Man and Qiao Xin were actually related. Did Song Man really want to replace all Qiao Nian's identities when she came here from Hai Cheng?

Lu Zhu found Qiao Xin disgusting. Qiao Xin had really put in a lot of effort to deal with Qiao Nian.

Lu Zhu pretended to be very nervous and asked, "Is what you said true?"

When Qiao Xin heard Lu Zhu's words, she knew that he believed her. Her lips curved up slightly as she said with a smile, "At eleven tonight, I'll take the eldest daughter of the Lu family to the Red Bar. When the time comes, Mr. Lu can come over to acknowledge his family member."

"Okay!"

After Lu Zhu hung up, a trace of killing intent flashed in his eyes. He clenched his fists tightly.

How had Sugar grown up in the Qiao family?

His heart really ached for Sugar.

He found out that five years ago, in order to deal with Sugar, Qiao Xin had sent her to the bed of an old man in his fifties.

However, by chance, Sugar was with Gu Zhou that night.

Since Qiao Xin was so unafraid of death, he had to treat her well. He had to let Qiao Xin have a taste of ruin.

How could any Tom, Dick, or Harry bully the eldest daughter of the Lu family?

After hanging up, a bright smile appeared on Qiao Xin's face. She ran happily towards her room, humming a popular song.

So what if Qiao Nian was amazing?

In front of the eldest daughter of the Lu family, Qiao Nian had to wag her tail and beg for mercy.

920 Envy

At ten o'clock at night, Qiao Xin drove a purplish-red sports car to the entrance of the bar. She got out of the car elegantly and looked up at the plaque of the bar, her lips curving up in a mocking smile.

The service staff hurriedly ran over, took the car keys from Qiao Xin, and hurriedly went to park the car.

Tonight, Qiao Xin was wearing a silver tank top and short skirt. Her black hair fell over her shoulders like silk. In her silver high heels, she walked in.

Qiao Xin's appearance instantly attracted the attention of many people, making her the center of attention in the bar.

Qiao Xin enjoyed this feeling very much. She felt that she was the chosen one. She had a good background and was outstanding. She should stand at the top of the world.

However, Qiao Xin had just taken a few steps when she realized that everyone's attention had shifted away.

"Oh my god, that young lady is so beautiful!"

"How can there be such a beautiful woman in this world?"

“Don’t tell me she’s someone who walked out of a painting!”

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Qiao Xin’s expression changed slightly. Who had stolen her thunder?

She turned around and saw a woman in a long black dress and a short red cloak standing at the entrance of the bar.

The black and red contrast was eye-catching. Her slightly exposed collarbone carried a bewitching beauty. Her long black curly hair draped over her shoulders like seaweed. There was no expression on her cold face, and she exuded a lazy aura.

This person was none other than Qiao Nian.

Qiao Nian’s appearance made the others in the bar pale in comparison. She was like a star on the stage, dazzling and eye-catching.

Qiao Xin clenched her fists.

Qiao Nian!

It was Qiao Nian again!

Every time, it was Qiao Nian who stole her limelight!

When the rich young master, who had been drinking at the side, saw Qiao Nian, his eyes widened. He picked up his wine glass and walked up to Qiao Nian with a smile.

However, when the beauty glanced at him lazily, he clearly saw the coldness in her eyes. For some reason, he felt a chill run down his spine and instantly cowered. He no longer dared to chat with the beauty and left with his tail between his legs.

Qiao Nian arrived at the door of the private room she had booked.

She pushed the door open and walked in. When she saw that Qiao Xin was already inside, she was slightly stunned.

She didn't expect Qiao Xin to arrive so early this time.

Qiao Xin looked up at Qiao Nian and saw her curvaceous figure and charming face.

If Qiao Nian was just a stupid beauty, she would definitely admire a good-looking person like Qiao Nian.

But Qiao Nian was too smart.

This was what she couldn't stand.

Why was Qiao Nian so smart and good-looking? How could the heavens be so unfair?

However, Qiao Xin quickly calmed down.

After all, Qiao Nian's reputation would definitely be ruined tonight. She would trample on Qiao Nian and make her unable to recover for the rest of her life.

Qiao Xin pursed her lips slightly and gave a faint smile. "Sister, didn't you say that you were going to give me a gift? Why didn't you bring anything?"

Qiao Nian looked down at Qiao Xin. She especially admired Qiao Xin's thick skin. She had clearly fallen out with the Qiao family. She had caused Qiao Shan to go to prison, and Qiao Shan and Su Xue's marriage had broken down.

She had done so much, but Qiao Xin could still call her sister without any qualms. It seemed that Qiao Xin was getting more and more scheming.

"There's no hurry about the gift. I have a few questions for you," Qiao Nian said coldly.

Qiao Xin smiled crookedly and nodded. "Okay!"

"What did you do to me the night I lost my virginity?" Qiao Nian's eyes turned cold.

When Qiao Xin heard Qiao Nian's question, her expression didn't change at all. Puzzled, she said, "Sister, why did you suddenly think of this? It's been so long. There's no need to bring up the past!"

"Confess. I advise you to think carefully before answering my question!" Qiao Nian smiled coldly.

Qiao Xin's expression turned serious. She hurriedly said, "Actually, I only secretly drugged you that night. I didn't do the rest. Of course, you should be the one who knows everything!"

At that time, Qiao Xin had sent an old man to Qiao Nian's room, but when she brought the old man to Qiao Nian's room, Qiao Nian had already disappeared.