#### Mr Han 2161

# Chapter 2161: All of Us Will Be Done for

Only then could she avoid the disaster of going to jail.

Even if she could not avoid it, at least they would be able to find a way to make her life a little more comfortable as much as possible.

But if the Xia family was done for, who would do all these things for her?

Who could she still rely on?

Before she did all these things, did she not use her brains to think?

Cen Mengqing was so enraged that she pounded hard on her own chest. She felt as if her breath was weighing it down, unable to get out no matter how she pounded.

At this moment, a loud bang suddenly sounded, scaring Cen Mengqing.

She clutched her chest and turned to look, then saw the door being pushed open and slamming hard against the wall.

Xia Zhancheng took big steps in, his face extremely pale from anger..

Cen Mengqing stood up nervously. "Zhancheng..."

Her voice was very unsteady.

"Didn't I tell you not to interfere in this matter? But what did you do instead?" Xia Zhancheng was so furious, it was as if he used all the strength he had to smash his phone ruthlessly on the bed.

The phone landed on the bed, bouncing twice.

When it landed to a stop, the screen happened to be facing upwards, revealing the page that Xia Zhancheng had been looking at.

The content displayed on the screen was that of Xia Yixin slandering Shi Xiaoya, being exposed, and then getting scolded by the whole Internet.

"Are you both bent on ruining our family?" Xia Zhancheng asked furiously. "Xia Yixin had been living so long for nothing. She isn't young anymore, and she is even a mother to a child. Why is she still so ignorant?!

"Before this, she threw away her fine marriage with Han Zhuoling and just had to steer things to where it is now. She's made our family struggle so hard to keep ourselves afloat, such that we could only barely survive. One wrong step and all of us would be done for!"

Xia Zhancheng's eyes reddened. He was really tired.

He was so tired from being set up by those two women at home.

"I worked day and night, trying my best to help the company survive so that you both can still continue to enjoy the luxurious lifestyle you've been so used to. But what about you both? Both of you only know how to do me in!

"Has life become too easy and comfortable for you guys? Is that why you think you can do whatever sh\*t you want?

"Xia Yixin had offended the Han Family to death, but since this matter already happened, I admitted defeat. Who asked me not to educate my daughter well? To raise her up to be so dumb? I didn't educate her well, so being implicated by her is also my karma.

"At first, I didn't even ask for her to be mature and help the family with anything. The least she could do was to stop doing harm to the family. In the end, she couldn't even do such a simple thing. She just had to implicate our family until we are all done for for good. She would only be satisfied then, is that it?

"Forget it." Xia Zhancheng probably felt tired and could not be bothered to say anything more. He sighed with an extremely tired look on his face and said, "I won't talk about Xia Yixin anymore. She is already in such a state, I no longer have any hopes for her.

"The lawyer called just now. He said Xia Yixin would lose if she went to court. Her fate is sealed. And the lawyer that Han Zhuoling will hire is someone whom our lawyer is no match for.

"Given Han Zhuoling's temper, he will definitely want Xia Yixin to be given the heaviest sentence," Xia Zhancheng said.

"Then... then what should we do?" Cen Mengqing asked immediately.

It's true that she was also angry that Xia Yixin had implicated them so badly.

But she could not really just watch as her own daughter went to jail!

Any girl sent to jail would be bullied to death, wouldn't she?

What more Xia Yixin, who had never suffered a single bit since she was young and had been living a lavish life? How could she possibly be able to bear life in jail?

Given that nasty temper of hers, she would definitely offend someone inside.

#### Chapter 2162: There Are Way Too Many Things You Didn't Expect

Among those people inside, who would put up with Xia Yixin's nasty temper?

Who knew what methods they would use to punish her?

There were many rumors of dirty goings-on in there that most people would not even dare to imagine.

"What can we do? I'm not going to care about that child anymore. I did all that I could do. This whole night, while you and Xia Yixin were raising hell, I was contacting this person and that person, trying to find a way to get her out.

"In the end? While I was out there thinking of a way to save her, you both were dragging me down at the side. I only have two legs, and each of you dragged one leg of mine. I can't even remain rooted to the spot and have to get dragged backward because of the two of you."

Xia Zhancheng laughed out of anger. "I won't be able to help Xia Yixin anymore. If she goes to jail, I'll pretend as if I don't have such a daughter.. From now on, I won't care about her anymore. Even in the future after she comes out of jail, she better not come back and look for me.

"I can really no longer afford to raise such a wastrel of a daughter who only knows how to do her own family in. No other family will be able to afford it."

"Zhancheng, don't say that. If you stop caring about her, Yixin will really be done for!" Cen Mengqing said frantically.

"Should I care? Can I even care?! How am I supposed to care? Can I care for her for her whole life?" Xia Zhancheng was extremely outraged. "I had cared for her so many times before, but when did she ever change! When I managed to take care of her once, she became even worse the next time around. She just thinks that no matter what she does, there will always be someone cleaning up her mess for her, that's why she's so reckless and only gets worse each time."

Xia Zhancheng paused for a moment before continuing, "And even if I want to settle the current matter, I won't be able to, not only because I'm no match for Han Zhuoling but also because our family is on the brink of demise now. The Xia family is about to be ruined, so how can I take care of her? Our family is going to be finished soon. I can't even take care of my family now, and you want me to take care of her?"

"Zhancheng, don't scare me, how can that be?" Cen Mengqing felt cold sweat breaking out all over her body.

"How can that be? You ask me how that can be? Why don't you ask yourself this question? What did I tell you before? You just refused to listen and insisted on provoking Shi Xiaoya. This was something that could very well have been settled through mediation originally, but you sealed our escape route into a dead end.

"Xia Yixin won't be able to get out. Her fate in jail is set. You have a part to play in this as well." Xia Zhancheng's agitation peaked when he said this. His saliva flying out all over the place. He even really wanted to just quit and shirk all his responsibilities.

Who cared how his family would turn out? Anyway, he was tired.

With such a wastrel of a wife and daughter, he really could not go on anymore.

With just one wastrel at home, this family almost got finished and was already barely surviving. What more when there were actually two in their family!

He really had the kind of bad luck that was accumulated from eight lifetimes.

Cen Mengqing covered her face and sobbed as she said, "I didn't expect this either. I didn't know that that video wasn't complete. I didn't think that Yixin would even lie to me. At first, I just thought that this

was a good chance to deal with Shi Xiaoya, that we could use this to threaten her into settling for mediation with Yixin, then everything would be fine. Who knew that Yixin would be so unreliable?"

"You didn't expect it?" Xia Zhancheng asked her back in fury. "There are way too many things that you didn't expect! If you had only expected everything, our family wouldn't have ended up in this state now!

"If you had expected it, could you have educated Xia Yixin to become like this? If you had expected it, could Xia Yixin have done us in to the point of tearing our ties with the Han Family apart? If you could have expected it, could Xia Yixin have lied to you as well?

"I finally understand now." Xia Zhancheng laughed with a mix of mockery and desolation. "Without Xia Yixin, our family would have done fine, nothing would have happened. It's all because of that wastrel that our family was ruined. What I didn't expect was that there's one more cause, and it's you."

#### **Chapter 2163: Completely Blacklist**

"Zhancheng, I didn't do it on purpose, I really didn't know," Cen Mengqing said. "Tell me what to do, I will listen to you, I won't make any decisions on my own anymore."

Xia Zhancheng suddenly shouted in rage, "I don't know what to do now as well, goddamn it!"

When Xia Zhancheng suddenly screamed, the veins on his neck and forehead suddenly popped out, and his whole face reddened from anger as if it was going to explode.

He looked as if he was on the verge of exploding and having a mental breakdown.

He really scared Cen Mengging this time.

Xia Zhancheng had never been like this before. Cen Mengqing could tell that Xia Zhancheng was not simply throwing a temper now.

There's really nothing more he could do.

His whole body was emanating helplessness and was on the brink of total collapse.

Cen Mengqing felt her body turn weak.

Xia Zhancheng was already like this. Then... then did that mean their family was really done for?

If their family was done for, Xia Yixin would naturally be done for as well.

"This... this isn't all my fault, it's all Yixin's fault!" Cen Mengqing immediately said.

She really did not expect that things would suddenly develop into such a situation where nothing could be salvaged anymore.

At first, she thought she was just dealing with a small fry like Shi Xiaoya. She even looked down on her so much initially.

She felt that teaching Shi Xiaoya a lesson was a very easy thing to do.

But she did not expect that things would actually become like this.

Before tonight, although the Xia family had been badly pummeled, their foundations were still intact.

There was not much difference in their lives compared to before.

But fate was really unpredictable.

Nobody would have expected that within such a short period of time, their family would suddenly experience a life-changing upheaval.

This sudden attack caught them completely off guard.

They would never have thought that the situation could change with a snap.

Just a few hours ago, they were still doing fine.

She and Xia Yixin were dressed up prettily and preparing to attend the charity gala event.

On the way there, she even told Yixin how she had to think of ways to use the event tonight to make sure she returned to her social circles and was no longer affected by her divorce.

In the end, everything changed after they arrived at the gala.

Xia Yixin got arrested, and the Xia family would be finished as well.

Cen Mengqing grabbed hold of Xia Zhancheng's hand and said, "I... You can tell me to do anything! I will go and apologize to Shi Xiaoya, I will kowtow to her and tell her I know I was wrong! I will bring Yixin to go and apologize to her as well. Even if I have to grab Yixin's head, I will also make her kneel down to Shi Xiaoya!"

How could Cen Mengqing still care about what Xia Yixin thought now?

The Xia family was about to be done for!

"As long as they can forgive us, I can do anything," Cen Mengqing said as she cried. "Zhancheng, I'm sorry. It's my fault, I know I was wrong!

"You think of a way, think of a way for me to make amends." Cen Mengqing clutched Xia Zhancheng as she spoke.

"How can you make amends? I can't even contact anyone from Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya's side now!" Xia Zhancheng said, feeling furious and exasperated.

Cen Mengqing was panicking, but was he not too?

He was panicking as well.

Ever since Xia Yixin and Han Zhuoling divorced, he'd been afraid that the Han Family would blame their family for that and suppress them, so he had instantly brought Cen Mengqing to the Han residence to apologize.

But at that time, they were not even allowed to step in.

Afterward, Han Zhuoling completely blacklisted everyone in the Xia family. Of course, including him as well.

No matter what kind of contact methods he used, he would not be able to contact Han Zhuoling.

"Han Zhuoling has blacklisted all of us, you know this," Xia Zhancheng said to Cen Mengqing. "I kept asking around for Shi Xiaoya's contact just now, but no one would give it to me. They are all afraid that Han Zhuoling will blame them, afraid that after I get Shi Xiaoya's contact, I will not be sincere about apologizing."

### Chapter 2164: At Least You're Not Muddle-headed

"We can't contact Han Zhuoling, and we can't contact Shi Xiaoya. How are we supposed to apologize to her?"

Cen Mengqing actually reacted quickly this time. "What about Lu Man? Lu Man was the one doing the PR for Shi Xiaoya for the matter tonight. We can go through Lu Man to contact Shi Xiaoya, or we can go to Shi Xiaoya's work studio to wait for her. We will surely be able to see her there."

Xia Zhancheng finally felt that Cen Mengqing was still way better than Xia Yixin. At least when she should bow down, Cen Mengqing would not hesitate to bow down at all. When push came to shove, Cen Mengqing could also lower her pride and trample on herself shamelessly to achieve her goals.

Although she was not smart, at least she knew how to be shameless. In this current society, there was not much use in being stuck up and prideful. Pride was the most worthless thing, yet Xia Yixin just had to be as dumb as hell about it.

Her pride was clearly not worth much, yet she minded it so much. She was clearly very stupid and not at all smart, yet she kept being so conceited, thinking that she did very smart things. In reality, the things she did were all very stupid.

Just like when she was dealing with Shi Xiaoya. She thought she was being smart, but in the end, she only did herself in while not a single thing happened to Shi Xiaoya.

Xia Zhancheng exhaled and said, "Your suggestion is not bad. I think tonight won't do. Tomorrow, we will go to Shi Xiaoya's work studio to look for her. This time, you better remember, don't plead for Xia Yixin anymore. It's impossible for Xia Yixin and her to reach an understanding."

Cen Mengqing was stunned for a moment. "Then... then we're not going to care about Yixin anymore?"

"How are supposed to care? We can't. If you still want to worry about her, you can go ahead on your own. If you dare to worry about Xia Yixin, let's just divorce. The moment you mention the three words 'Xia Yixin' even just once in front of Shi Xiaoya, believe me, it would be impossible for you to even beg for her forgiveness even if you kowtow and go on your knees.

"Did Xia Yixin not do enough harm to the family? This is our last and only chance, and you still want to waste it because of her? Besides the fact that it's impossible that it will work, even if it really did work, Xia Yixin also won't remember that and won't learn that lesson.

"Our family didn't directly hurt Shi Xiaoya. Everything was done by Xia Yixin. So, even if Shi Xiaoya is really angry, she will not be so angry with our family. Her rage is mainly directed towards Xia Yixin.

"As long as she can vent her anger on Xia Yixin, she naturally would not deal with our family." Xia Zhancheng paused for a moment and gave Cen Mengqing a side glare. "Don't tell me you still want to do our family in just because of that Xia Yixin?

"I'm not scaring you. Between our family and Xia Yixin, you can only choose one. Which will you choose?"

Cen Mengqing lowered her head and gritted her teeth. Xia Yixin was her daughter. How could she bear to not save her?

But really, compared to Xia Yixin, her family was still more important.

Cen Mengqing gritted her teeth before looking up and saying to Xia Zhancheng, "Then... we should place our family first.

"I think Yixin will also understand. After all, if our family is done for, Yixin can really forget about living a good life anymore. As long as our family is still around, there's still some hope left."

Xia Zhancheng nodded in satisfaction. "At least you're not muddle-headed."

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Coincidentally, the next day was a weekday, so Han Zhuoling drove Shi Xiaoya to her work studio.

Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing also arrived at the building where Shi Xiaoya's work studio was very early in the morning.

But because of the lesson from the middle-aged woman back then, the security officers at the entrance to the office building did not dare to casually let anyone in anymore.

As long as they were not people who worked in the office building, they simply stopped them and did not let them go in.

#### **Chapter 2165: Acting Recklessly**

If they had an appointment, the security officers would first verify it with the company that the other party had an appointment with.

After confirming that there was indeed an appointment, then they would only let the other party in after registration.

If there was no appointment, then they would definitely not let the person in.

The previous time, when the middle-aged woman came to the work studio to find trouble with Shi Xiaoya, Qin Zigou did not just fly into a rage on the spot but also threw a huge fit after the incident.

This made the security company extremely nervous, and they all pulled up their socks much higher.

On top of the scandal that shocked the Internet last night, Qin Zigou was afraid that the Xia family would come and find trouble, so he called the security company once again and told them to tighten security at the office building.

The message was relayed from the people in charge level by level all the way down, so everyone treated it very seriously and sternly.

Such strict security rules had already been enforced for quite some time.. Hence, when Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing came in the morning, even though they were early, they were not able to get into the office building.

They had been stopped outside and prevented from entering by the security officers the entire time. No matter what Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing said, it was no use. The security officers just did not listen to whatever they said.

Just now, Han Zhuoling stopped his car outside the office building and happened to see Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing waiting anxiously.

Their faces looked terrible. Even from a distance, Shi Xiaoya could tell the haggardness on Cen Mengqing's face.

At this moment, Cen Mengqing and Xia Zhancheng were looking frantically at the roads.

Shi Xiaoya turned to look at Han Zhuoling.

Han Zhuoling smirked mockingly. "Looks like the two of them are here to beg for mercy. It's probably because they can't contact us, so they can only come to your workplace to ambush us.

"Are you very busy with work these days? If not, just don't go to work for now, lest you get pestered by them."

Shi Xiaoya shook her head. "We have to face it sooner or later. If they don't see me, they will keep coming to look for me. We can't possibly hide from them our whole lives."

Han Zhuoling frowned slightly. "I'll arrange for some people to be stationed outside your office tomorrow. If Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing come over, they can stop them and prevent them from getting close to you."

But he also felt that this was not some long-term plan.

Shi Xiaoya then said, "Let's just get off the car first and see what exactly they plan to do."

So the two of them got down. The moment Cen Mengqing saw them, she kept tugging Xia Zhancheng's elbow and just dragged him along to go up to them.

"Zhuoling, Miss Shi." Cen Mengqing's address made the distinction between their closeness very obvious.

When she called Han Zhuoling, it was as if Han Zhuoling was still her son-in-law, as if Han Zhuoling and the Xia family were still just as close.

But when it came to Shi Xiaoya, she just called her Miss Shi in a cold and aloof manner.

Shi Xiaoya was not angry. There was not much to be angry about with such a person.

Being angry with a muddle-headed person like Cen Mengqing was just a waste of time and a disservice to oneself.

Shi Xiaoya just raised an eyebrow.

She felt that Cen Mengqing was quite an interesting person. She was here to beg for mercy, yet she still put on such an attitude.

And she still thought that she was Han Zhuoling's mother-in-law and was on such good terms with him.

Shi Xiaoya did not look at Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing. She just turned to look at Han Zhuoling and said, "Zhuoling, your ex-mother-in-law still sees you as her son-in-law."

Cen Mengqing did not expect that Shi Xiaoya would actually dare to speak in such a manner to Han Zhuoling.

In the past, when Xia Yixin and Han Zhuoling were still married, Xia Yixin was very obedient in front of Han Zhuoling. Not that she was extremely cautious, but she did not dare to easily throw a tantrum.

It could be said that Han Zhuoling had full control over her.

How would she dare to use such a sarcastic tone to talk to him?

She was way too bold and acting too recklessly!

### Chapter 2166: This Is a Case of Becoming Conceited

Given Han Zhuoling's temper, how could he indulge her!

Cen Mengqing was waiting to make a joke of Shi Xiaoya.

It's true that she came to find Shi Xiaoya to apologize today, and she promised Xia Zhancheng yesterday night that she would. She'd said things like as long as she could talk things out with Shi Xiaoya and beg for her forgiveness, she would even go down on her knees.

But who did not know how to put on an act?

To make Xia Zhancheng forgive her, she could say anything.

Of course, if Shi Xiaoya and Han Zhuoling had set their heart on not letting off their family, then she could really go all out and go down on her knees.

Just that her kneeling would not be sincere. In Cen Mengqing's heart, that would still just be an act.

For the sake of her family, she could bend her pride at will.. No matter what, they had to tide over this crisis first.

But her being able to do it did not mean that she would do it from the bottom of her heart.

She still looked down on Shi Xiaoya deep down and felt an intense enmity towards her. She especially wanted to see Shi Xiaoya fail.

Now, when she heard that Shi Xiaoya actually dared to talk so sarcastically to Han Zhuoling, Cen Mengqing started to gloat in her heart.

If she wasn't still in front of Han Zhuoling and Shi Xiaoya, or if Xia Zhancheng wasn't there at this moment, she would definitely gleefully and delightedly say, "This is a case of becoming conceited after being in someone's good graces."

Cen Mengqing tried her best to control the gleeful look on her face and maintained a humble expression.

Alas, her acting skills were really not that great.

Her gaze still revealed her true thoughts.

Shi Xiaoya and Han Zhuoling naturally saw it.

Han Zhuoling's gaze turned cold.

Shi Xiaoya mocked her silently.

Given this, Cen Mengqing still wanted to come and seek mediation?

However, although the two of them noticed it, neither treated it seriously.

Anyway, no matter whether Cen Mengqing was really sincere or not, Han Zhuoling had never planned to let the Xia family off.

But right now, all of Han Zhuoling's attention was focused on Shi Xiaoya.

Because the look of ridicule on Shi Xiaoya's face was too obvious, even Han Zhuoling felt helpless.

Shi Xiaoya's expression at this moment made him feel as if he was about to go home only to kneel on the washing board.

He could not help but laugh and reached out to hold Shi Xiaoya's hand, laughing as he said, "What are you saying? I have only one mother-in-law, and that's our mom."

No matter how shameless Cen Mengqing was, she would not be able to treat the words "our mom" as if they were referring to her.

Cen Mengqing's expression instantly changed.

She never expected that Han Zhuoling would not chide Shi Xiaoya for her attitude at all and would actually be so cooperative with her.

Seeing the two of them reacting thus to each other, who knew how many times such similar situations had occurred?

Now, even Cen Mengging felt how much her own daughter had been unjustly treated.

Yes, Xia Yixin was at fault. She committed adultery and bore a child for another man.

But that was because Han Zhuoling did not treat Xia Yixin well!

Why should Han Zhuoling treat Xia Yixin so coldly and yet treat Shi Xiaoya so well? He was so tolerant with her. No matter what Shi Xiaoya said, he would not get angry.

If Han Zhuoling had only treated Xia Yixin back then half as well as he treated Shi Xiaoya, or even if it was just with one-tenth of his current patience and tolerance, would Xia Yixin have committed adultery?

Cen Mengqing's eyes were about to turn red.

Why had Han Zhuoling treated Xia Yixin so badly when he was treating Shi Xiaoya so well!

At this moment, Han Zhuoling then turned and said coldly to Cen Mengqing, "Madam Xia, please call me Mr. Han. We are not that close."

Not that close?

Cen Mengqing was so furious that she almost scolded him.

He was her son-in-law in the past!

Was that not close?

In the end, after he got a divorce and got a new fling, he just turned his back on them in the blink of an eye!

## **Chapter 2167: Become Worse**

She used to be his mother-in-law, after all. But now, he'd said with his own mouth that they're not close!

Han Zhuoling smiled cheekily at Shi Xiaoya and said, "How's that?"

Shi Xiaoya laughed and nodded. He gave him the "you're not bad; not the best, but it's passable" look and said, "Not bad."

Shi Xiaoya's reply pissed Cen Mengqing so much that she tilted her head backward.

But Han Zhuoling had to simply give in and play along with her.

He was not unhappy at all about her behaving like this and even smiled so happily like a fool!

This was probably Cen Mengqing's first time seeing Han Zhuoling smiling like a fool!

These two, they were purposely acting in front of her, right?!

They were purposely angering her like this!

She would definitely not believe that Han Zhuoling would treat Shi Xiaoya so specially.

That he would not get angry no matter what Shi Xiaoya said.

No one would be like this!

Xia Zhancheng said, "Mr. Han."

Even as Xia Zhancheng called him that, he also felt that it was strange and was not used to it.

He had clearly been his son-in-law in the past, but he had to call him Mr. Han now.

Anyway, he would just not call him "Young Master Ling," even if he was beaten to death.

Calling him that would mean that he was placing himself in a lower status than Han Zhuoling.

No matter what, he was still Han Zhuoling's elder!

Even if Han Zhuoling had already divorced Xia Yixin, he had once been Han Zhuoling's father-in-law no matter what!

Anyway, Xia Zhancheng just could not bring himself to call him "Young Master Ling."

"Can you spare us a little bit of your time, for us to have a talk?" Xia Zhancheng said. "I saw that there's a pretty good cafe beside this place. We can go in and have a good talk. I know my wife and daughter brought a lot of trouble to Miss Shi. This time, we came here to apologize sincerely. I am not like the two of them, I came here with sincerity. I hope I can ask for Miss Shi's forgiveness, and that we can patch things up."

Han Zhuoling's eyebrow twitched slightly, but he did not immediately answer him.

He just turned and said to Shi Xiaoya, "You go up first?"

"Okay." Shi Xiaoya nodded obediently.

She did not fight with Han Zhuoling at all.

Anyway, Han Zhuoling was doing this to protect her, lest she got pestered by Xia Zhancheng and Cen Mengqing.

Shi Xiaoya did not want to face the two of them either, anyway.

"Wait!" Xia Zhancheng quickly said. "We are here to apologize to Miss Shi, and we sincerely hope that Miss Shi can forgive us. We also hope that if Miss Shi wants anything, she'd tell us. We will also try our best to make it up to you, to express our apology."

Xia Zhancheng tried his best to show his sincerity. "I totally hadn't known about what this mother and daughter did. If I'd known, I would definitely have stopped them. I know saying all these now is too late because they'd already committed their wrongs.

"But I did not come today to plead leniency for Xia Yixin," Xia Zhancheng said.

They noticed how he'd change the way he addressed her, calling Xia Yixin by her full name as if he was talking about an outsider who was not related to him at all.

Shi Xiaoya could not help but feel stunned, thinking to himself that Xia Zhancheng might really be thinking about giving up on Xia Yixin.

Indeed, she heard Xia Zhancheng say, "All this time, Xia Yixin had been finding trouble with you both. I need to teach her a lesson, or else she would not know to be afraid, and she would not stop.

"You two shouldn't think that I'm being ruthless for not wanting to save my own daughter." Xia Zhancheng smiled bitterly as he twitched his mouth before continuing, "I really am scared of being implicated by her now. At her age, I can no longer educate her. She won't listen even if I taught her."

"If she knew how to listen, she wouldn't have harmed the family to this extent. I am really scared now. Since I can't teach her well, then I'll let other people teach her. It's better than saving her every time, only for her to drag down the family time and again, becoming worse each time."

#### Chapter 2168: Underestimated Shi Xiaoya

"She thought that with her family protecting her, she could be conceited and dare to do anything," Xia Zhancheng said. "It will be good to teach her a lesson this time. I know what she did was way too much. I might as well make her behave for a few years.

"So, this time, I didn't come to plead leniency for Xia Yixin," Xia Zhancheng said.

"Xia Yixin did wrong, but that's her issue. If she received her punishment, that'd also be her own problem. But just because she'll have received her punishment, that doesn't mean we can just do nothing. That's why I also wanted to come and ask for Miss Shi's forgiveness."

Han Zhuoling thought to himself that Xia Zhancheng really knew how to adapt to the circumstances and lower his pride accordingly. He was a very decisive man.

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He said he was washing his hands of this daughter of his and he really did, so he was just going to let Xia Yixin go to jail.

Throwing Xia Yixin into jail was no different from severing ties with this daughter of his.

He thought of how, when Han Zhuoling divorced Xia Yixin back then, Xia Zhancheng's first reaction after he found out had been to bring Cen Mengqing along with him to the family home to admit their mistakes.

Not to plead leniency for Xia Yixin.

Every decision Xia Zhancheng made had been for the interests of his family.

As long as it threatened the Xia family's interests, no matter who it was, it seemed as if he could desert them.

If it was Xia Yixin today, tomorrow, it would probably be Cen Mengqing.

Shi Xiaoya included, everyone knew very well why Xia Zhancheng had come to find her and ask for her forgiveness.

He was afraid that Han Zhuoling would take his anger out on his company and continue to suppress the Xia family.

Of course, Xia Zhancheng did not guess wrongly.

But Xia Zhancheng probably felt that she was more of a foolish kind soul who was easier to trick.

That after hearing Xia Zhancheng say a few nice words, she would forgive the Xia family.

And help him plead leniency with Han Zhuoling.

Shi Xiaoya smiled and nodded as she said, "Okay, I forgive you. Is everything fine now? Then I'll go up and work first."

Xia Zhancheng appeared delighted, but secretly, he had a feeling that Shi Xiaoya agreed a little too readily.

She did not make things difficult for them at all.

This was different from what he had envisioned prior to this.

No matter how positively Xia Zhancheng's mindset was, he still felt that this matter would not be resolved so easily.

Hence, he asked tentatively, "Then... then, are we both good now? Mr. Han won't vent on our family, right?"

Shi Xiaoya glanced at Han Zhuoling.

She knew that Han Zhuoling did not intend to let the Xia family off.

After all, once Xia Yixin was gone, there was still Cen Mengqing.

As long as the Xias was not finished, this mother and daughter pair would always feel confident and would definitely continue to do evil.

Shi Xiaoya then said, "I'm not sure about this. For this kind of work matters, it's better if you talk to Zhuoling."

Afterward, Shi Xiaoya then said to Han Zhuoling, "Well then, I'll get going first."

When Xia Zhancheng heard that, he thought that this was not right!

The person directly involved in this was Shi Xiaoya.

This whole matter came about because of Shi Xiaoya. Why did he now have to talk with Han Zhuoling about this?

Shi Xiaoya removed herself from this as if it had nothing to do with her.

But was this a work matter?

This was a private vengeance!

If not for the fact that Xia Yixin had provoked Shi Xiaoya, would Han Zhuoling take it out on the Xia family?

Now, Shi Xiaoya had removed herself from this just by saying that this had nothing to do with her.

It looked like he really underestimated Shi Xiaoya.

Shi Xiaoya looked as if she did not know anything and was a foolish kind soul.

Who knew she was actually so smart? No wonder Xia Yixin was no match for her.

Every time she went to find trouble with her, she would end up getting thoroughly bullied by Shi Xiaoya.

### Chapter 2169: Those Who Have Nothing to Lose Do Not Fear Those in Power

This woman was probably not to be trifled with!

She was only too aware. Given that pig brain of Xia Yixin, it would be strange if she could be a match against her.

Xia Zhancheng's face fell a little and he said, "Miss Shi, this doesn't seem like a work matter to me.

"Mr. Han came to deal with us because he wants to stand up for you. Why don't we find a place to sit down and have a good chat? How can we calm your anger so that you can spare our family?"

Xia Zhancheng knew that if Shi Xiaoya was about to just act dumb and muddle things over, he naturally could not just continue relying on hints.

He might as well get straight to the point and be frank with Shi Xiaoya.

But Shi Xiaoya refused to catch on to his words. She just turned to Han Zhuoling and said, "I'll go up first. You be careful on your own."

The rage in Cen Mengqing's heart!

Why did she tell Han Zhuoling to be careful?

Be careful of them?

What could the two of them do to Han Zhuoling?

This little swindler girl, why was she so infuriating!

Han Zhuoling nodded and said, "You go up first. When the matter is settled, I'll let you know."

Shi Xiaoya agreed and was about to enter the office building.

How could Xia Zhancheng let Shi Xiaoya go just like that? He had not even accomplished his motive.

Seeing that Xia Zhancheng was going to stop Shi Xiaoya, Han Zhuoling was one step faster and blocked him.

"Mr. Xia, Xiaoya is right. This is a work matter. No matter what the reason is for me to want to deal with the Xia family, this is all still a fight between us at work. This has nothing to do with Xiaoya. And even if she doesn't mind, I mind. My wanting to stand up for my girlfriend has nothing to do with whether my girlfriend wants to forgive you both or not. It's no use even if you stop Xiaoya. On this matter, she doesn't have a say anyway. The decision on what should be done rests with me."

"Just like what she said, in work matters, she's not involved and can't be involved." Shi Xiaoya could not help but laugh while hiding behind Han Zhuoling's back.

She seemed to hear a desperate will to live from Han Zhuoling's words.

If Han Zhuoli and his other brothers were here, they would definitely click their tongues and criticize Han Zhuoling.

Look at how domineeringly he said those words. Quite impressive, eh!

Who knew how long he would have to kneel on the washing board after he went home?

Xia Zhancheng could tell that Han Zhuoling was bent on separating the same matter into two separate issues.

Anyway, the final say rested with Han Zhuoling. He was impressive, so of course, whatever he said was the word of the day.

Shi Xiaoya had already turned and walked towards the office building.

Xia Zhancheng suddenly shoved Cen Mengqing hard and shouted at her, "Aren't you going to go down on your knees to apologize to Shi Xiaoya?"

You can kneel now.

Cen Mengqing made it sound quite nice last night, but when it came to the real situation, how could she go all out so easily?

Especially now when they're out on the streets during the peak period when everyone was heading to the office and there were so many people.

For her to kneel down in front of so many people just like that, she was really not ready to do that so recklessly.

Xia Zhancheng was quite something as well. When he saw Cen Mengqing hesitate, he actually kicked her behind her knee.

Cen Mengqing then landed on the floor with a bang, kneeling down.

This was probably not something Cen Mengqing could decide on her own.

The moment Cen Mengqing knelt down, everyone by the roadside turned to look.

Han Zhuoling's face fell even more. Xia Zhancheng did this deliberately to push Shi Xiaoya to the topic of public debate.

As long as Shi Xiaoya did not want things to blow up and be laughed at by passersby, she would have to agree to their demands for now.

Xia Zhancheng was like those who have nothing to lose, who did not fear those in power.

Anyway, his family was about to be suppressed and defeated. They had nothing to fear.

They might as well go all out and give it a shot.

When Shi Xiaoya turned to glance at them, Han Zhuoling gave her a look to tell her to quickly leave.

Shi Xiaoya did not delay any longer and immediately went into the office building.

## **Chapter 2170: Is This the Attitude of Someone Apologizing?**

But she did not go straight into her office. Instead, she told the security officers, "Please, can I trouble you both to go to the entrance and hoist those two people up? Don't let them make a scene at the entrance like this."

Qin Zigou was the boss of this building. As Qin Zigou's friend, Shi Xiaoya had quite a lot of authority as well.

Ever since the previous time when Qin Zigou flew into a huge rage because of Shi Xiaoya, everyone learned about that.

The security officers did not dare to drag their feet and delay, so they called some other officers over to go with them.

At this moment, on the pavement beside the entrance, Han Zhuoling scoffed and said, "The Xia family truly only knows how to use this kind of threatening method. I was curious at first whether you both will really be sincere about apologizing. Looks like you really still can't change that bad habit."

The fox may grow but never grow up good.

Cen Mengqing seized the chance and suddenly wailed, crying out, "Mr. Han, Miss Shi, it's my fault. I shouldn't have uploaded that video online and tarnished Miss Shi's reputation!"

Han Zhuoling's face darkened and he scoffed.

Even now, Cen Mengqing still wanted to seize the chance to smear Shi Xiaoya's reputation.

If she said this out loud, passersby would hear that this was the reason why she went down on her knees.

Among these passersby, there would surely be some who still did not know what happened last night.

When she said that, it would inevitably make people misunderstand and think that Shi Xiaoya did something scandalous that got exposed.

Apologize?

Was Cen Mengqing's attitude that of someone apologizing?

Which person sincere about apologizing would still try to frame the other party?

The fox may grow but it really never grows up good!

And Cen Mengqing totally did not know that Han Zhuoling had long seen through her.

She still thought that she was being smart.

Xia Yixin's dumb character was really wholly inherited from her.

"Please, I beg you, please give me another chance!" Cen Mengqing was still pleading. She said, "Please give me a chance to turn over a new leaf. I really definitely won't ever find trouble with Miss Shi anymore.

"Whatever compensation you both want, as long as our family can do it, we will definitely do our best to satisfy it. I know I was wrong, I am really very sorry, I am really very sorry to Miss Shi!

"Mr. Han, Miss Shi, you both are gracious and magnanimous, please forgive me!" Cen Mengqing did not dare to try and establish any relations and sound chummy with Han Zhuoling after he what he said.

So she could only learn from Xia Zhancheng and call him Mr. Han.

"Please forgive me. I will also keep an eye on Xia Yixin and not let her come and find trouble with Miss Shi. If Xia Yixin receives the punishment she deserves, we husband and wife won't have anything to say about it. I only ask that you spare the Xia family."

Many passersby gradually slowed down their steps. Some who were not in such a hurry to go to work might as well just stop in their tracks.

The number of passersby increased one by one and slowly formed a crowd of onlookers.

They self-consciously formed a circle and surrounded them in the center, watching them.

"Mr. Han, on behalf of us being family once, just forgive us this time! I promise that we won't ever do such a thing again. I can kneel down before Miss Shi. As long as I can do it, no matter what she wants, I will satisfy her requests.

"That's why, please let our family off. Our family really, really cannot withstand any more blows! It's all because of that unfilial daughter Xia Yixin that our family reached such a state! For every debt, there is a debtor. Xia Yixin already received her punishment, so please just let our family off, please!"

Cen Mengqing saw that Han Zhuoling's face remained cold and unforgiving. When she looked up, she happened to see Han Zhuoling raise his eyebrow, his expression filled with mockery.

As if he did not care that she was kneeling in front of him.

He did not care about being surrounded by so many people either.

Cen Mengqing gritted her teeth. Anyway, things had already come to this, so she did not care about embarrassing herself even more.