Chapter 3381: You Mustn't Disappoint Her

Zhou Liangsheng quickly pulled Lu Penghai on the arm and said, "Master Lu, my wife doesn't know how serious this is. Don't lower yourself to her level."

"Hmph!" Lu Penghai humphed coldly.

Zhou Liangsheng then said, "Master Lu, how about this? You can stay here and watch over them. This group of kids is just messing around. If something bad happens, you can help out. If you think she's just messing around, we can stop her right away."

Zhou Liangsheng begged, "Master Lu, I can only rely on you."

Xie Jiling watched coldly. These two individuals seem to be doing a choreographed performance.

It would be more suspicious if Lu Penghai didn't say anything about leaving and quietly stayed. After all, it would be a loss of his dignity as well.

But if Zhou Liangsheng sincerely asked him to stay, that would be different.

It would seem like Lu Penghai had stayed for Zhou Liangsheng's sake.

Surely enough, Lu Penghai listened to Zhou Liangsheng pitifully begging him to stay before he showed a reluctant expression while saying, "Sure. Since you said so, I will stay."

Lu Penghai sneered and said, "I would like to see what the little girl that Mrs. Zhou trust so much is capable of doing."

In a slightly threatening tone, he said to Xie Jiling, "Mrs. Zhou trusts you so much. You mustn't disappoint her."

Xie Jiling didn't talk.

As someone with the ranking of a king, she didn't need to respond to someone ranked bronze.

Of course, when she resolved the issue...

Lu Penghai might have a lot of things to say.

Xie Jiling took out a blank paper talisman from her bag.

With the same red gel pen, she started drawing symbols on the paper talisman.

Lu Penghai watched as Xie Jiling drew each line and thought that she was really good at acting.

However, when Xie Jiling was halfway done, Lu Penghai realized that Xie Jiling was not bluffing.

She actually knew how to do it!

Xie Jiling was sprawling a spell-breaking talisman!

Lu Penghai knew how to cast a curse. Of course, he knew how to break a curse.

He had studied this a lot.

In fact, he would be quicker than other exorcists to tell what Xie Jiling had drawn.

When he saw Xie Jiling drawing so quickly and with such familiarity...

Lu Penghai started feeling nervous.

Could Xie Jiling actually break the curse?

That was a level-four curse.

Curses had the same number of levels as talismans.

From level one to level nine.

Exorcists knew how to cast spells, but their skill levels depended on the spell levels they could cast.

The level of the spell was related to the level of talisman one could draw.

When one was placing a curse, one would have to know how to draw a curse-casting talisman.

And so, the level of talisman they could draw would affect the level of the curse they could cast.

Level four might not sound very advanced.

However, it was within the range of a medium-level talisman.

There was a great difference between a medium-level talisman and a beginner-level talisman.

A level four talisman would be considered medium-level, but a level three talisman would be a beginner-level talisman.

It might seem like a level 3 talisman, and a level 4 talisman was only one level apart from each other.

However, the level four talisman represented the threshold for someone to advance from a beginner-level talisman creator to a medium-level talisman creator. Hence, the difference between them could not be easily overcome.

Therefore, exorcists who could draw medium-level talismans were all referred to as masters.

This was not bragging at all.

Lu Penghai was supposed to be confident in the level of his talisman.

He had always been very confident, but for some reason, when he saw Xie Jiling drawing the talisman, he suddenly lost this confidence.

He started panicking more and more.

And then, he saw Xie Jiling place her pen down as she had drawn the talisman.

Lu Penghai's eyes widened. Suddenly, he lost it and dashed forward.

Chapter 3382: He is Your Blood and Flesh

"High... high-level talisman?" In addition, she had drawn it on the spot.

He had seen it with his own eyes.

The paper talisman was spreading waves of energy that belonged to a high-level talisman.

The waves of energy were so strong that he could sense them even without holding the talisman in his hands.

He didn't expect that Xie Jiling wasn't bluffing at all earlier.

She was actually an exorcist!

In fact, she was a high-level exorcist!

This type of exorcist was the top existence in the world of exorcists.

Even with tens of millions of dollars, you would not be able to hire them!

He knew that there were high-level exorcists in the Xie Family.

He simply didn't know the exact number.

He knew that the leader of the Xuan Yi Sect was a high-level exorcist.

The leaders of some other sects were high-level exorcists as well.

However, those sect leaders were old.

They were not like the little girl in front of him, who was... so young!

Lu Penghai stared at Xie Jiling in shock.

If he hadn't seen it with his own eyes, he wouldn't have believed that Xie Jiling could draw a high-level talisman.

He didn't expect Song Lihua to actually meet such a powerful exorcist!

While Lu Penghai was staring in shock, Xie Jiling placed the talisman on Song Lihua's hand.

"What do I need to do?" Song Lihua stared at Xie Jiling in confusion.

"You don't have to do anything. Just hold onto it with your fingers." Xie Jiling said.

Xie Jiling smiled. She looked confident and calm. And so, Song Lihua felt calm as well.

Lu Penghai dashed forward to snatch the talisman.

"What are you doing?!" Zheng Binzhou reacted really quickly and immediately stopped Lu Penghai.

Lu Penghai's face turned red as he said, "I suspect that there's something wrong with this talisman!"

Chen Xing sneered and said, "You just shouted that the talisman Jiling had drawn was a high-level talisman. And now, you are saying that there's something wrong with the talisman?"

Chen Xing and He Yuliang, stood on the left and right, as they blocked Lu Penghai. Zheng Binzhou stood in the front to block Lu Penghai.

Lu Penghai couldn't touch Song Lihua and Xie Jiling at all.

Zheng Binzhou sneered and said, "You are so anxious and nervous. Are you feeling guilty? Why are you feeling guilty? Are you scared that Jiling might save my sister?"

"Tell me. What motive do you have?!" He Yuliang roared.

At this moment, Song Lihua squeezed the talisman.

When she squeezed the talisman, the talisman started heating up.

Song Lihua felt a distinct burning sensation.

The red colors on the paper talisman started flickering with light.

Song Lihua watched in amazement.

Suddenly, she heard a "poof" sound.

Song Lihua looked over in shock and saw that Lu Penghai had vomited blood.

Zheng Binzhou, Chen Xing, He Yuliang were in the front, blocking Lu Penghai.

With their own eyes, they saw Lu Penghai spit blood.

Lu Penghai even spat some blood onto Zheng Binzhou.

They were shocked. They all raised their hands up at the same time.

"We didn't do anything! We didn't touch you!" Zheng Binzhou said.

"Yes. We didn't do anything!" Chen Xing said.

"It was you who spat blood all of a sudden. Don't blame it on us," He Yuliang quickly said.

While Lu Penghai spitted blood out, the red symbols on the paper talisman in Song Lihua's hand stopped glowing.

The heat on the paper talisman disappeared. There were still words and symbols on the paper, but they were no longer glowing.

Even though Xie Jiling didn't explain it, Song Lihua could feel that the energy in this paper talisman had been exhausted.

"This is..." Song Lihua stared at Xie Jiling nervously.

Did it fail?

"Don't worry. It's a success." Xie Jiling smiled at her and said, "Starting today, you will be able to sleep well. You will not be tormented by nightmares anymore."

"Are you saying... that the curse has been broken?" Song Lihua asked with uncertainty.

"Did... the curse break just like that? I didn't feel anything." Song Lihua said.

"You don't have to feel anything," Xie Jiling said, "When you have time, you can try sleeping."

However, Song Lihua would most likely not be able to get a good sleep in the meantime.

Xie Jiling then said, "Elder Sister, do you remember the duel between exorcists that I told you about?"

"I remember." Ren Linna interrupted before Song Lihua even answered.

"You said. In a duel between the spell-casting exorcist and the spell-breaking exorcist, if the spell-casting exorcist loses, they will be inflicted with irreparable injuries," Ren Linna said.

When she said that, everyone became quiet.

Even Ren Linna herself couldn't help but turn to look at Lu Penghai.

"When the paper talisman stopped glowing, Master Lu spat out a mouthful of blood." Xie Jiling said.

Xie Jiling looked at Lu Penghai coldly as she asked, "Are you still able to draw any talismans?"

Lu Penghai gnashed his teeth.

He could sense that the Qi he had accumulated for decades as an exorcist was all gone.

He had been relying on the energy of Qi to draw a talisman.

And now, without the support of Qi, how could he still draw any talisman?

It would be impossible for him to use even a Taoist artifact, not to mention draw a paper talisman.

In fact, it would be impossible for him to restart his cultivation journey.

Lu Penghai knew the consequences of the curse's reversal.

However, he still took the risk and did it.

Because he couldn't refuse the temptation.

The payment was enough for him to rest for the next few years.

There were risks involved in exorcising.

There were risks involved in placing a curse on someone.

Since both were risky, why not choose the one where he would benefit the most?

In addition, Lu Penghai was very confident in the level of talisman he could draw.

He knew that as an exorcist, who could draw medium-level talismans, he was already considered very powerful in the world of exorcists.

He would rarely encounter anyone on par with him.

Lu Penghai wasn't worried that Song Lihua, someone with a small social circle, would be able to locate a high-level exorcist.

Were high-level exorcists as common as cabbages in the field?

Unexpectedly, it seemed as though they had really become as common as cabbages in the field.

Her little cousin's classmate was a high-level exorcist!

What a coincidence!

This high-level exorcist wasn't exorcising spirits and earning money. Instead, she was studying in college and living a down-to-earth life.

Could she really be this bored?

In the world of exorcists, high-level exorcists were like rare characters and even more uncommon than endangered!

Why was he so unlucky to meet one today?

He had been about to make a huge profit and rest for the next few years.

Instead, he had to start his early retirement today.

Lu Penghai's face looked ashen. Everyone then understood everything.

Zheng Binzhou looked at Lu Penghai and then Zhou Liangsheng with a face of disbelief.

"Lu Penghai was the one who placed the curse, but you happened to get him here." Zheng Binzhou looked really angry as he asked, "Zhou Liangsheng, what have you done?"

"Zhou Liangsheng?" Song Lihua stared at Zhou Liangsheng in disbelief. Her entire body felt cold. "Did you ask Lu Penghai to curse me?"

"Why did you curse me? I am your wife! I am pregnant with your child!" Song Lihua stared at Zhou Liangsheng in disbelief. "Even if you want to hurt me, why would you hurt your own child? He is your blood and flesh!"

Chapter 3383: Who Would Dare to Go Against Her?

"Zhou Liangsheng, are you still human?!" Song Lihua started trembling. Her entire body felt cold. She didn't doubt Xie Jiling's words.

When the symbols on the talisman stopped glowing, Song Lihua didn't feel anything.

But when Xie Jiling finished talking, she suddenly felt this relief she had never felt before.

Her body no longer felt heavy like when she was having nightmares every day.

It was a very weird feeling.

She couldn't explain, but she knew that the curse placed on her had indeed disappeared.

And when Song Lihua saw Lu Penghai's pale face, she understood everything.

Zhou Liangsheng had been the one who found Lu Penghai. Lu Penghai and Zhou Liangsheng had been working together earlier.

The two had clearly discussed this.

Song Lihua shivered. Her entire body felt cold.

This was the person she shared a bed with, the husband she lived with every day, and the father of her child.

But this guy wanted to hurt her and her child!

"What did Jiling say earlier? If Lu Penghai really tried to solve this for me, he might take this opportunity to harm me!" Song Lihua said coldly, "Jiling was right! If Lu Penghai did it, he would have messed with it secretly!"

"You had a completely different explanation. I was cursed, but Master Lu said that I was haunted by a vengeful ghost!" Song Lihua was so angry that her eyes turned red.

"Zhou Liangsheng, we are husband and wife. Are you still human?!" Song Lihua screamed as she questioned.

"I didn't do it!" Zhou Liangsheng immediately denied it.

"Master Lu just coincidentally spat a mouthful of blood out. How did you connect these two together?" Zhou Liangsheng immediately said.

"Was it you?!" Zhou Liangsheng turned and questioned Xie Jiling, "Did you play some dirty tricks and caused Master Lu to spit blood?"

"Zhou Liangsheng!" Zheng Binzhou looked at Zhou Liangsheng, "Why are you still arguing? Jiling has no reason to do that. Why would she hurt him?"

"Who said she had no reason?" Zhou Liangsheng immediately said, "Master Lu just suspected her, and she must have harbored a grudge and took the opportunity to frame Master Lu."

"Yes. Master Lu's assessment was different. Maybe her assessment was right. However, these are strange things. There isn't a standard method to determine this, and even a master has a chance of making a mistake. You can't use this as the reason to accuse that I had colluded with Master Lu to hurt Lihua!"

"Lihua, you are my wife. You are pregnant with our child. How can I hurt you?" Zhou Liangsheng sulked as he said, "This is really a misunderstanding!"

"We will find out if it is a misunderstanding later," Xie Jiling said.

"What nonsense are you going to say now?!" Zhou Liangsheng angrily pointed at Xie Jiling, "It's all because of you. Why are you instigating a conflict between us?"

"I don't understand. Our family has nothing to do with you. Why don't you want our family to live a good life?" Zhou Liangsheng pointed at Xie Jiling and said angrily, "You are so young, but you are so evil!"

Zhou Liangsheng appeared to be in a moment of realization when he asked, "Is it because I questioned and doubted you? That's why you held a grudge and took this opportunity to instigate a conflict between us?"

"Zhou Liangsheng, you have deceived my family for a long time. I didn't expect you to have such good acting skills," Zheng Binzhou said coldly, "I am curious. How shameless can you be? What else are you capable of saying?"

"You are blaming my classmate for something you did? She is not as shameless as you!" Zheng Binzhou said angrily.

No matter how many words Zhou Liangsheng said, Zheng Binzhou wouldn't believe it.

Xie Jiling was his classmate. She may have an aloof personality.

But she usually didn't care about many things.

In the beginning, everyone thought she was just a shaman that loved mystifying things. Xie Jiling wasn't even mad about that.

Later on, when they followed her method, they realized that it actually worked.

Everyone then started trusting her. They would then ask her whenever something weird happened.

Most of the time, they were just paranoid and scared themselves.

However, Xie Jiling had never been impatient. Regardless of whether they had been overthinking, she would seriously take a look at it for them.

And that was why everyone in the class really liked this very reliable and mellow classmate of theirs.

Of course, there were no romantic feelings involved.

They were all cowards.

Xie Jiling was very pretty with a good personality.

However, she often attracted vengeful ghosts!

Anyone with her would occasionally encounter a vengeful ghost.

Of course, they didn't think that Xie Jiling was weird.

Even when they had found out that Xie Jiling could exorcise ghosts, they were still willing to follow along and join the fun.

However, if a vengeful ghost could pop up anytime during a date...

They wouldn't have such a strong heart.

But aside from that, everyone really liked Xie Jiling.

And now, Zhou Liangsheng actually started blaming Xie Jiling.

Zheng Binzhou and the others would always be the very first people who would never believe such accusations.

"Where's the evidence?" Zhou Liangsheng took a deep breath and pursed his lips.

He stared at Song Lihua and said, "Lihua, you said you are disappointed in me, but I am also really disappointed that you are suspecting me."

"There's not even any evidence. However, you already accused me of colluding with Master Lu when this was just based on speculation." Zhou Liangsheng looked betrayed as he said, "We are husband and wife. What you are doing now really makes me sad."

Zheng Binzhou was really angry. Zhou Liangsheng was clearly the one trying to hurt Song Lihua.

Anyone with eyes could tell. However, it was just as Zhou Liangsheng had said—there was no evidence.

Song Lihua was so sad that her face turned pale.

She wanted to believe Zhou Liangsheng. Who would want to believe that the person sleeping on the same bed with them was a vicious person who would hurt them?

However, her rationality was telling her that Zhou Liangsheng was definitely involved.

If she believed Zhou Liangsheng just because he said a few sentences...

These kids would look down on her, and she would look down on herself.

If this happened before she had gotten pregnant...

She might have chosen to lie to herself and believe Zhou Liangsheng's reasoning.

But now, it must have been because she was already a mother.

And because she had been tormented for a long time.

After receiving so much harm, she couldn't easily choose to trust him.

She couldn't lie to herself.

If she chose to lie to herself, what was the point of her experiencing all that?

Zhou Liangsheng said that there was no evidence.

But then, why did Lu Penghai coincidentally injure himself at the same time?

This completely matched what Xie Jiling had said earlier.

"If so, can Master Lu prove that he is still an exorcist?" Song Lihua said.

"If Jiling really attacked Master Lu like what you said, do you think Jiling is capable enough to take away Master Lu's ability as an exorcist?" Song Lihua said calmly.

"If Jiling was capable of doing that, shouldn't other exorcists be scared to death of her? Who would dare to go against her?" Song Lihua asked.

"An exorcist does not have the ability to take away another exorcist's ability," Xie Jiling said.

Within the welfare center's dormitory, a nine-year-old girl faced everyone's suspicions, her eyes red. She had a pair of large, watery eyes and was radiantly beautiful. However, her body looked frail due to malnutrition.

Seeing everyone look at her with disdain and hate, she felt wronged and choked, "That jade... is... It is mine! I'm... I'm not a thief! My mom left that behind for me!" 5

"So what you're saying is that I stole your stuff?!" Standing opposite her was a girl about her age. Tilting her head, the girl eyed her coldly before she turned to smile innocently at the other children. 22 Compared to her, the girl looked sweet and proud, as though she were a lofty, little princess showered with everyone's love. 9

As soon as she spoke, the children around them immediately came to her defense.

"You're obviously lying! You're lying! Why would Rou'er steal your stuff?!"

"Right, right! That's impossible! How is Rou'er a thief? Clearly, it's you who stole her thing!" 11 Faced with all their condemnations and questions, the girl was unable to give any convincing explanations to defend herself. Absolutely aggrieved, she rubbed her eyes bitterly and burst into tears. 2 "That is really my jade! Give it back...." 3

Rou'er eyed her gloatingly and turned to speak to everyone, "Everyone, it's clear! Xiaoshi is the thief! Don't play with her anymore! Thieves are bad!"

Several children vigorously nodded their heads. "Uh-huh! Let's listen to Princess Rou'er! Ignore her in future! She's a thief!" 8

"She's a thief! Xiaoshi is a bad girl! Stealing Rou'er's thing, shame on you!" 8

The children roared with laughter as they dispersed. Alone, the girl leaned against a wall. She held back her tears as she gazed at the other children's backs, tightly clenching her fists. 8

A row of men clad in black suits lined up outside the director's office.

An energetic-looking elderly man past fifty sat sternly on a sofa. The set of traditional Chinese garments on him enhanced his respectable demeanor, and under the shadows of his brows was an air of fury. 2 He might be getting on in years, his appearance slightly aged, but from his handsome facial features, one could still picture how stunning he looked during his prime. 7

The director brought in a pile of documents, carefully showed them to the elderly man, and respectfully offered them to him. "Mr. Mu, these are the children who came into the welfare center last year. All their information is here. Please have a look."

The elderly man reached out his hand for the documents, went over some of them, and then furrowed his eyebrows. The assistant by his side caught sight of his expression and raised his head to smile at the director, asking, "That child is about eight to nine years old. May I ask, of those who were admitted last year, how many fit this condition?"

The director briefly went over his memories and swiftly replied, "Please hold on a moment."

The elderly man continued to scan through the documents, yet his eyes were fixed on a family portrait. He suddenly stretched out his hand and pointed. "Let me see this girl."

The director felt stunned before hurriedly nodding. "I understand! I shall arrange for her to meet you fast!"

He made a call and, soon after, a teacher brought a girl in.

Rou'er diligently stood in front of the elderly man, with her hands to her back and chest puffed up. Grinning from ear to ear, she said, "Grandpa, nice to meet you! I'm Rou'er."

The elderly man expressionlessly stared at her and carefully examined every inch of her face. His eyes slowly narrowed as he looked at her darkly and gloomily.

Rou'er curiously wrinkled her brows. This elderly man's fierce-looking face and stern demeanor somewhat frightened her. Just as she retreated a few steps, she saw him suddenly gesture to her. 1

Chapter 3385: I am Not Lying

"Before we got married?" Song Lihua sneered in disbelief.

She finally knew that she had married a scumbag.

Zhou Liangsheng's family had a business. However, Song Lihua's family wasn't weak at all.

The two were considered a right match in terms of family.

The two had been introduced to each other through an agency. They had gotten married through this matchmaking.

The parents from both sides were very satisfied with them as a couple. The two had spent time together for a while before they had gotten married.

It wasn't forced.

Both families had businesses, but both families weren't big, so they weren't trying to make a connection through the kids' marriage.

If they found each other suitable, they would get together. Otherwise, they would just forget about it.

This was just a very ordinary matchmaking date routine.

As for the Song Family, even though their daughter was not the daughter of a wealthy and noble family, they had let her experience poverty.

She could get anything she wanted and buy anything she wanted.

They naturally hope that her life after marriage could be the same as the life that her family had provided her while she was still single.

They obviously didn't want her to be with someone who couldn't even afford to buy her a bag.

So, they wanted to find a suitable youngster in their social circle.

They noticed that Zhou Liangsheng was an excellent choice.

The Zhou Family had similar socioeconomic status as their family, and Zhou Liangsheng was talented as well.

They asked Zhou Liangsheng's family and found out that Zhou Liangsheng was single. As such, they arranged for the two to meet and get to know each other.

Zhou Liangsheng then showed interest in Song Lihua.

The two then decided to continue meeting.

It all happened smoothly.

Song Lihua had never forced Zhou Liangsheng.

Honestly, Song Lihua met Zhou Liangsheng through a matchmaking session, so she didn't actually like Zhou Liangsheng in the beginning, much less love Zhou Liangsheng.

She just thought that Zhou Liangsheng was a very suitable candidate, and she could try spending time with him.

She was fine without him and had no intention of courting him.

If Zhou Liangsheng had told her then that he liked someone else, then she would have never continued with their relationship.

If Zhou Liangsheng met Li Zhixiao after he started dating her and told her about it before they had gotten married...

She would have been able to leave without lingering feelings.

She couldn't understand why Zhou Liangsheng would marry her when he was already dating Li Zhixiao.

Now, he had just disappointed two women.

But then, Li Zhixiao said, "I was already dating him before you two met."

Song Lihua looked over at Zhou Liangsheng and said, "Zhou Liangsheng, what is she talking about?!"

"Back when we met, your family and even you said that you were single!"

"He wasn't married, so he was single," Li Zhixiao sneered and said, "His family looked down on my family for being too ordinary, so, they wanted to arrange a matchmaking session for him. They said that if he had insisted on marrying me, he would not get anything from the family."

"Anyway, he has a younger brother. Their family is not worried about not having anyone to inherit the business," Li Zhixiao said weakly.

"He told me the truth. If things have gotten to this point, how could I allow him to suffer for my sake?"

"However, we both love each other, and it's impossible for us to separate. Therefore, we are still together. He said that he will divorce you and marry me after he inherits the family business."

"And you trusted him?" Song Lihua said coldly, "Since he didn't marry you from the start, how could you even believe in his words?"

"Why wouldn't I believe him? He bought me a house and a car. He gave me money to start a cafe. He allowed me to do things I wanted to do. If he doesn't want to marry me, why would he be so generous to me?" Li Zhixiao said confidently.

"In addition, after you married him, he still spent the majority of his time with me. There were many times when he told you that he was working overtime or having dinners with clients, but he was actually spending time with me. He had spent more time with me than he did with you."

Song Lihua was so grossed out that she felt like puking.

Her marriage had been a lie since the beginning. It had been a mistake.

And she had been sharing her husband with someone since the very beginning.

Song Lihua wanted to puke.

"So that's why you placed a curse to harm me?" Song Lihua asked.

Li Zhixiao's facial expression changed. It turned out that Song Lihua had discovered the fact that she had placed a curse on the latter.

"I... I don't know what you are saying!" Li Zhixiao quickly denied it.

"I am already here. I know everything. Why are you still denying it?" Song Lihua said coldly, "The exorcist you hired was defeated. He has lost all his abilities and can never be an exorcist anymore."

"Look. I know all of these." Song Lihua said, "I'm not lying to you."

Li Zhixiao's expression changed.

She then heard Song Lihua ask, "Why did you curse me? Were you trying to curse me to death so that you can marry him?"

"Let me explain," Zhou Liangsheng said.

Since Li Zhixiao had already said everything, there was no reason for Zhou Liangsheng to keep a secret anymore.

"Zhixiao accidentally got pregnant." Zhou Liangsheng said.

However, Zhou Liangsheng didn't know that the pregnancy was not unplanned.

Li Zhixiao had done it intentionally. She had calculated everything.

Zhou Liangsheng did say that he would marry her.

However, if Zhou Liangsheng didn't divorce Song Lihua, Li Zhixiao would never feel assured.

Actually, it was just as Song Lihua had said, Li Zhixiao did not actually trust Zhou Liangsheng.

She was really insecure.

How could she feel secure when Zhou Liangsheng had only provided verbal promises so far?

Therefore, Li Zhixiao had the idea of using a kid to trap Zhou Liangsheng.

She had been with Zhou Liangsheng for so many years, and there was obviously love between them.

She loved him and was reluctant to lose him.

She had been with him for so many years and wasted so many years of her youth for him. Would she eventually end up with nothing?

What if that happened? She kept on thinking about the what-ifs.

What if Zhou Liangsheng didn't end up marrying her?

She had to find something that would guarantee that marriage.

However, if she couldn't get married to him, she could stil fight for more benefits with a child.

Even if Zhou Liangsheng didn't want to marry her, he wouldn't abandon his child, right?

And so, Li Zhixiao tried to get herself pregnant with Zhou Liangsheng's child.

After Li Zhixiao had gotten pregnant, she didn't dare to delay telling the news.

If she told Zhou Liangsheng a few months later, Zhou Liangsheng wasn't a fool, so he would have guessed that she had planned all this.

Zhou Liangsheng loved her for being "pure" and "clean."

He had always enjoyed the memories of how their relationship started, and those were his most beautiful memories.

To trap Zhou Liangsheng, Li Zhixiao tried her best to maintain this image and made sure that she was still making Zhou Liangsheng feel that way.

After all, she was at a disadvantage.

Song Lihua and Zhou Liangsheng were legally married.

In addition, Zhou Liangsheng couldn't always be beside her. He had to go home as well.

What if Zhou Liangsheng's heart changed when he started spending more time with Song Lihua?

Therefore, Li Zhixiao knew that she had to trap Zhou Liangsheng; she must not make a wrong decision that would destroy this weak relationship.

Chapter 3386: This Is The Only Solution We Have

She had it all planned out. If she told Zhou Liangsheng right after finding out she was pregnant, it could be thought of as an accidental pregnancy rather than her scheme.

She had plenty of ways to soften his heart, even if Zhou Liangsheng wanted her to have an abortion.

As expected, she had made the right choice.

After finding out, Zhou Liangshen was somewhat shocked, but he didn't mention abortion.

On the contrary, he wanted her to give birth to the baby.

This made Li Zhixiao very happy, and she had greater peace of mind.

However, she did not expect that Song Lihua would also get pregnant soon after.

So be it...

A few months passed by, and Song Lihua had a medical examination and found that she was pregnant with a son.

Li Zhixiao hurriedly had Zhou Liangsheng help her connect with an obstetrician to examine her child's gender.

After finding out that she was also pregnant with a son, she let out a sigh of relief.

At least, she could still put up a fight against Song Lihua.

Unexpectedly, this was when her nightmare began.

News of this matter got out because Zhou Liangsheng used his connections to find the obstetrician.

The news reached Zhou Liangsheng's parents.

At first, they were aware of Zhou Liangsheng's lingering romance with Li Zhixiao, although they had already broken up.

They had simply taken on the stance of keeping one eye open and the other closed.

As long as Zhou Liangsheng was clear on what he was doing and maintained a good relationship with Song Lihua, it didn't matter to them if he had a mistress.

After all, they were old now. They wouldn't be able to bother about Zhou Liangsheng's affairs when they were no longer around in the future.

However, they had not expected to hear about Zhou Liangsheng seeking out an obstetrician to examine Li Zhixiao and find out the child's gender.

Zhou Liangsheng's parents made sure to keep it a total secret from Song Lihua and then summoned Zhou Liangsheng.

Father Zhou made it clear that their family didn't lack a son.

Since Song Lihua was already pregnant with a son who could take over the family business, they didn't need Zhou Liangsheng to have another son outside.

Having an illegitimate son outside would make the Zhou Family unstable.

If Li Zhixiao could give birth to one child, it meant she could give birth to two or three more.

Giving birth to so many children... What was she intending to do?

It was fine for Zhou Liangsheng to have a mistress.

However, the mistress was absolutely not allowed to have his children.

The Zhou Family had no intention of handing over their family business to Li Zhixiao's child.

Right from the start, they were against Li Zhixiao marrying into the family. They would never agree to it even in the future.

It wasn't as if Song Lihua was unable to give birth to a child.

So, why would they want Li Zhixiao's child?

Simultaneously, Father Zhou even told Zhou Liangsheng to quickly make Li Zhixiao get an abortion.

Song Lihua was already pregnant with a son.

As an incentive, Father Zhou gifted them a building.

However, if Li Zhixiao gave birth to the son...

The building would be in the name of Song Lihua's son, and Zhou Liangsheng would get nothing.

At present, Zhou Liangsheng didn't have total power over the company.

Father Zhou even added that if Li Zhixiao gave birth to her son, he would immediately amend his will.

He would have Song Lihua's son succeed the Zhou Family, bypassing Zhou Liangsheng.

In Father Zhou's opinion, Zhou Liangsheng was a dumbass.

Li Zhixiao could easily influence and lead him by the nose.

Fortunately, there was one aspect of Zhou Liangsheng that wasn't too bad. He loved money and could not give up his current lifestyle.

So, as long as Father Zhou used these things to threaten Zhou Liangsheng, the latter would choose to sacrifice Li Zhixiao without a second thought.

Back when Zhou Liangsheng got married to Song Lihua, Father Zhou used the family business to threaten him.

Zhou Liangsheng was then able to choose Song Lihua without any hesitation.

However, he did so with the intention of finding a chance to divorce Song Lihua in the future and marry Li Zhixiao.

Father Zhou found it really difficult to understand. Just what exactly was it about Li Zhixiao that made Zhou Liangsheng unable to forget about her?

In terms of appearance, Li Zhixiao wasn't as beautiful as Song Lihua.

In terms of temperament, character, poise, erudition, and experience, there was no aspect in which Li Zhixiao was as good as Song Lihua.

Yet, she was able to keep a steady hold on Zhou Liangsheng.

Simultaneously, Father Zhou muttered that this Song Lihua was useless. To think that she couldn't even tie down her husband.

Now, Father Zhou proceeded with using the family business to threaten Zhou Liangsheng.

Having been under his father's control for half his life, Zhou Liangsheng wanted that power for himself.

How could he possibly watch the family business fall straight into the hands of his son?

Wouldn't he just be letting himself become the subject of ridicule?

Consequently, Zhou Liangsheng did not fail to meet Father Zhou's expectations and decided to sacrifice Li Zhixiao for the family business.

However, Li Zhixiao was already some months into her pregnancy, so she could only go into induced labor.

This was an extremely cruel method of abortion.

The child in Li Zhixiao's womb had already taken on a distinct shape, which meant they were killing a fetus

Additionally, Li Zhixiao was faced with the extremely high possibility that she could become infertile after this.

She pleaded with Zhou Liangsheng sorrowfully that he should not do this.

Zhou Liangsheng analyzed the pros and cons with her.

He said that once he inherited the family business, he would immediately get a divorce and marry her. He would definitely make it up to her.

Moreover, the risk of going infertile was just a chance. It wasn't a definite thing.

Wasn't it also said that having many miscarriages would affect a woman's fertility?

Yet, weren't there many women who were still fertile after such a thing?

Zhou Liangsheng promised that he would definitely find an excellent hospital and an excellent doctor to handle her case.

With that, Li Zhixiao could only agree to the abortion.

The hospital Zhou Liangsheng initially sought out was Chu Tian.

However, Chu Tian refused to do it.

This was because aborting a fetus at such a stage in the pregnancy would be too cruel.

They refused to do this kind of surgery.

Consequently, Zhou Liangsheng could only find other doctors at other hospitals to do it.

Ultimately, Li Zhixiao still had to face the most painful result.

Her child died, and she would never be able to give birth to another.

Even while she was grieving for her child, Li Zhixiao worried if there was even still the possibility that Zhou Liangsheng would marry her in the future since she was now infertile.

She was no longer able to get pregnant, so what was the point of marrying her?

Song Lihua had a child, so Li Zhixiao didn't need to give birth to a child...?

But why should the Zhou Family's company be given to Song Lihua's child?!

In the future, Song Lihua's child would take over the Zhou Family. What would be left for her then?

Li Zhixiao was in extremely great pain, and Zhou Liangsheng blamed himself for it.

He had promised her that everything would be fine.

Yet, in the end, Li Zhixiao would never have the chance to be a mother.

Li Zhixiao found this Great Master Lu from god-knows-where and had him contain her son's soul.

Great Master Lu charged her an extremely high fee for this kind of atrocity.

Nevertheless, Li Zhixiao had garnered quite a lot of money from Zhou Liangsheng after having been with him all these years.

So, she could still afford it.

After her son's soul was contained by Great Master Lu, Li Zhixiao went to find Zhou Liangsheng.

She told him that there was now a way to bring their son back.

So, she mentioned Great Master Lu.

She said that he could send their son's soul into the body of Song Lihua's son; their son would possess the latter.

Although the appearance would change, the soul would still be their son's.

Moreover, her son had only just formed into a fetus before she went into induced labor.

This meant his features had yet to develop, so he definitely wouldn't look the same as Song Lihua's son.

However, Great Master Lu said that after the soul in the body was changed to her son's soul, the appearance of Song Lihua's son would be influenced by the soul of Li Zhixiao's son.

Gradually, the body would look more and more like Li Zhixiao's son.

In that case, the child would totally be her son.

Zhou Liangsheng said, "Xiaoxiao will never be able to give birth to a child in the future, so this was our only solution."

Chapter 3387: With A Degenerate Like You

"This solution of yours means you'll be taking my son's life! And making him your son instead!" Song Lihua said furiously.

Ever since she discovered Zhou Liangsheng's betrayal, Song Lihua never once lost her composure and maintained her calm all this time, even until just a moment ago when she heard what Li Zhixiao said.

However, it was impossible for Song Lihua to keep her composure when this matter had implicated her son's life.

"Sis!" Zheng Binzhou rushed to hold and support Song Lihua. "Everything's fine now. They can't harm your child. But if you get angry right now, you and your child will get hurt, rather than them. For the sake of your child and yourself, you shouldn't get so worked up. It'll be bad if you experience symptoms of a miscarriage."

"It will be really dangerous if you go into labor prematurely. Sis, you absolutely need to calm down!" Zheng Binzhou urged.

After being reminded by Zheng Binzhou, Song Lihua hurriedly forced herself to calm down.

But how exactly was she supposed to be calm while dealing with such a matter?!

For the sake of her child, Song Lihua could only tell herself repeatedly to bear with it in order to allow herself to calm down.

However, she soon felt some pain in her belly and covered it with her hand. Her face had become pale.

"Sis!" Zheng Binzhou's expression turned grim. "I'll go call the doctor!"

Xie Jiling rushed to take out a purifying talisman from her bag and stuffed it into Song Lihua's hand. "Hold this!"

The pain in Song Lihua's belly began to subside and eventually disappeared. She sensed that the child in her belly had stabilized.

Her initially explosive rage had quelled as well.

She had calmed down completely.

Song Lihua looked at Xie Jiling with an amazed expression.

Xie Jiling just smiled at her.

Zheng Binzhou then said to Zhou Liangsheng, "Zhou Liangsheng, are you even human?! You actually wanted to kill your own flesh and blood! You wanted my nephew's life just because Li Zhixiao lost her child? Is he not even your son?"

Unexpectedly, Zhou Liangsheng said shamelessly, "But Xiaoxiao will never be able to give birth ever again. However, your older sister's different. She will just lose this child. She can have another in the future. Won't it be fine if I just have another child with her?"

"Scoundrel!" Zheng Binzhou punched Zhou Liangsheng's face, sending him straight to the floor.

"Have another child? That child won't be this nephew of mine! You want to let an infant spirit possess my nephew's body! You're simply malicious!" Zheng Binzhou got so angry that he threw another punch—this time, on the other side of Zhou Liangsheng's face.

"Have another child with you? You disgusting man, why should my sis have another child with you?!" Zheng Binzhou raged.

Song Lihua sat on a chair with reddened eyes.

It was fortunate that her child was fine.

Zheng Binzhou was young, but he was extremely reliable at this moment.

He wanted to hit Zhou Liangsheng some more, but Ren Linna stopped him.

"It's fine if you want to hit him, but don't hit him so hard. He might make you pay for damages. It's not worth it," Ren Linna said.

"That's right!" Song Lihua said hurriedly. "Binzhou, don't dirty your hands! This kind of person—just let him be with Li Zhixiao. Just taking one glance at him now makes me feel disgusted. When I think about how I once had a life together with him, it makes me feel extremely disgusted."

"Binzhou, don't let him implicate you," Song Lihua said.

Upon seeing this, Cheng Xin and He Yuliang also hurried to help stop Zheng Binzhou.

Zheng Binzhou was panting with rage, but he still heeded everyone's advice.

He stood up and withdrew his hand, hating that he could not flay Zhou Liangsheng.

Yet, it was at this moment that Xie Jiling asked Zhou Liangsheng, "So the two of you want to place the spirit of that dead child into the body of this child? In that case, where have you contained that child's spirit?"

Zhou Liangsheng looked at Lu Penghai unconsciously.

"You should release it," Xie Jiling said.

Lu Penghai had a rather client-oriented approach.

He first looked at Li Zhixiao.

However, he saw that she was actually still hesitating at this moment.

Song Lihua already knew their intention. Furthermore, with Xie Jiling present, there was no way she would let Li Zhixiao's plan happen.

Yet, Li Zhixiao was still refusing to give up.

Xie Jiling said coldly, "Is your heart truly aching for your dead child?"

"He's my child. Why wouldn't my heart ache?" Li Zhixiao had a pained expression. "Do you know how painful it was when I saw him come out? Although he was just a small little thing, he was already alive!"

"I could even see his facial features! But... But he died just like that! My child! How could my heart not ache for him?!" Li Zhixiao said while she cried.

"Since your heart aches for your child, why do you want to let him turn into an infant spirit?" Xie Jiling questioned coldly.

"Do you not know that becoming an infant spirit is a curse for him?" Xie Jiling said. "Initially, he could have been reincarnated immediately. He died before being born, so he wouldn't have to queue up when he entered the underworld."

"Moreover, due to his tragic death, he had the chance to be born into an extremely blessed family that will treat him extremely well in his next life. He would have been born into riches and honor and have a smooth-sailing life. This would have been the compensation for his tragic death in this life."

"But because you let someone imprison his soul and turn him into an infant spirit, he now carries resentment. It's impossible for him to have such a good reincarnation in the next life."

"If you succeeded in letting him possess that child's body... This child's body isn't his in the first place. Additionally, he frightened Song Lihua in her dreams and affected that innocent child's life. Even if your child possesses that child's body, there's a very high possibility that he will die in a miscarriage."

"Because this is a violation of the heavens' peace, the Mandate of Heaven won't let him be born so easily. Even if he is born, he will still have a seventy percent chance of being disabled. Mentally challenged, blind, deaf, and dumb, all four limbs atrophied—these are possible," Xie Jiling said coldly.

"You think that you're giving your child a second life. But in truth, you're giving him a second round of suffering."

"Dying in childbirth put him through suffering once, but at least it was only for a short time. But if he is born, his suffering will be for a lifetime. The longer he possesses that child's body, the greater his sins will be."

"Even if he is born, he will definitely have a bad ending. After he enters the underworld, his sins will be recorded in the book of life and death. Once he's in the underworld, he will be punished for each and every one of his sins. It's hard to say for sure what his incarnation in the next life will become. It's even doubtful whether he will be a human or livestock, and what sort of environment he will be reincarnated into, as all these will be decided by his sins."

"Did this Great Master Lu tell you all these?" Xie Jiling's finger was pointing at the already powerless Lu Penghai.

Li Zhixiao looked at Lu Penghai in astonishment.

Lu Penghai truly hadn't told her all that before.

"I... I had no idea..." Lu Penghai felt very wronged.

He truly had no idea.

No one had ever sought him out to do this sort of spell, so he had no experience with it.

Moreover, he had never met anyone from the underworld, so who would he have heard about it from?

Xie Jiling let out a cold laugh. "Even if you didn't lose all of your ability due to the backlash today, I wouldn't have let you continue being an exorcist. With a degenerate like you around, who knows how many innocent souls would be harmed?"

Chapter 3388: Refreshed His Perception

"But... but since my child's soul didn't take that child's body, he didn't kill that child, then... he shouldn't have any sins. He won't be punished when he leaves for the underworld, right? His next life will be good, right?"

"Initially, he had the purest soul, for he died before he was born. He could have naturally received the most excellent treatment." Xie Jiling said, "But now, he was turned into an infant spirit by you and Lu Penghai, and he lost the qualifications to receive such treatment."

"Li Zhixiao, you killed your child with your own hands." Xie Jiling stared at Li Zhixiao and said, "You first killed him. Then, you caused him to lose the compensation he could have gotten."

Li Zhixiao started crying. She didn't expect... she really didn't expect...

"I just... just wanted to be his mother. I wanted him to live again. I just wanted to see him..." Li Zhixiao sobbed while saying.

"Then why aren't you letting it out now!" Xie Jiling said with a strict tone.

Li Zhixiao removed the jade tablet from her neck.

"It's... inside..." Li Zhixiao handed over the jade tablet to Xie Jiling.

Xie Jiling wrote something on the jade tablet with her finger.

Suddenly, a shadow started crawling outside of the jade tablet.

Everyone then saw a baby crawling on the ground.

"That... that is the one in my dream!" Song Lihua screamed.

Maybe it was because there were a lot of people present, Song Lihua didn't feel scared at all even though the baby looked exactly the same as the baby in her nightmare.

It might have been because she heard what Xie Jiling said.

And now, she felt pity for this child.

When the baby died, its facial features were not even fully grown yet.

But now, it looked exactly the same as a newborn baby.

Xie Jiling stared at Li Zhixiao coldly and asked, "Did you feed it blood?"

Li Zhixiao finally confessed everything she knew. "Master Lu said that we needed to strengthen him so that he will have the energy to defeat that child's soul, kick the other child away, and take over his body. So, I needed to nurture it with my blood."

"He must have done great evil in his previous life to have a mother like you," Xie Jiling said coldly.

"Wh... why?" Li Zhixiao asked nervously, "Does.. that matter?"

Xie Jiling was too lazy to even explain it.

They then saw that the infant spirit seemed to be in pain.

Obviously, it didn't want to be trapped in that jade tablet.

It wanted to be free. It did not want to be locked up inside.

Xie Jiling stared at Li Zhixhiiao coldly and said, "Now, can you see the painful expression on its face?"

The baby couldn't talk. As an infant spirit, he didn't even know how to cry like ordinary babies.

However, it could crawl on the ground.

It crawled on the ground and looked up at Li Zhixiao. Tears of suffering flowed out of his eyes.

He seemed to be asking why his mom had trapped him. Why wouldn't his mom let him go free?

Li Zhixiao looked at the infant spirit with regret. "I'm sorry... I am sorry... I didn't know... I'm sorry..."

She destroyed her child.

She killed him.

She destroyed his future.

And now, she was looking at him suffer. Even though he couldn't talk, she knew that he didn't want to be trapped.

He should have left a long time ago.

Xie Jiling sighed and said to the infant spirit, "You are a pitiful child. Those were not your intentions. You were being controlled."

The infant spirit crawled to Xie Jiling's feet.

Xie Jiling squatted down. The infant spirit looked up and nudged her palm with his head.

It was as though she had a smell that he liked.

Xie Jiling didn't motion any incantation. She purified him with the bead bracelet.

Thankfully, the infant spirit hadn't been nurtured for too long. It didn't need too much energy to purify.

A golden beam of light landed on the head of the infant spirit, filling its tiny body.

The infant spirit's painful expression disappeared. With its eyes closed, it showed such a peaceful expression. It appeared to be very comfortable.

When the golden light disappeared, the skin on the infant spirit's entire body became fair and delicate, as though the infant spirit had transformed into an actual baby.

Everyone then noticed the difference.

When the infant first appeared, it looked like an ordinary baby.

However, now that they had seen the difference, they realize that although the infant spirit previously looked the same as any other ordinary infant...

Its face had previously been greyish.

And after it had been purified by the golden light, the color of its skin became normal.

It appeared as though it had become human again.

Xie Jiling then pointed at the air, and a black hole then appeared.

Two soul reapers came out from the black hole.

Chen Xing and the others had seen two of them before.

These weren't the previous two. They weren't the ones at the He Family as well.

Chen Xing and the others thought that if they could follow Xie Jiling around, they might have a chance of building a good relationship with the workers in the underworld before they died and left for the underworld!

"Lady Xie." The two soul reapers saw Xie Jiling first. They were familiar with her and greeted her amicably.

The soul reapers were chosen to work in the underworld because they had forgotten everything from their previous lives.

They had been living like this for a few hundred years. They shared no emotional bond with their descendants on earth.

To ensure that they could be unbiased when working, the memories of their previous lives had been erased.

They didn't even have a name.

They only had nicknames.

"Brothers." Xie Jiling greeted with a smile.

Chen Xing and the others were watching from the side. They had seen it before.

However, they still gasped in surprise when they witnessed it again.

Xie Jiling had a very good relationship with the officials of the underworld.

Xie Jiling held the infant spirit up like she was holding an ordinary baby.

The infant spirit looked really weak at this moment as it snuggled in Xie Jiling's arms.

It clutched onto Xie Jiling's clothes and looked really nervous.

Xie Jiling sighed. The infant spirit was as big as a baby.

However, it wasn't an actual baby.

Li Zhixiao had nurtured it with blood; its mind had been opened.

"Since what you have done wasn't your intentions, I will help you ask the officials for mercy," said Xie Jiling.

The infant spirit grabbed her clothes tightly and showed a grateful expression.

Xie Jiling then told the two soul reapers about the infant spirit.

"Help me..." Before Xie Jiling could finish her sentence.

One of the two soul reapers said, "We got it. We will tell the Lord of Death about this and ask him to process this case with discretion."

Lu Penghai was already amazed.

This truly... refreshed his perception of the world.

He wasn't someone who would lie and scam someone. He was an actual exorcist.

Whether it was during the time he was learning from his teacher in the beginning or during the time when he left and started doing it by himself...

The task was completed when the ghost was exorcized.

He had never seen soul reapers before!

Much less interact with them...

Chapter 3389: You Don't Deserve It

The soul reapers might be the low-ranking soldier in the underworld, but their existence was considered superior to exorcists.

After all, the existence of the soul reapers didn't fall into the category of both human and ghost.

If they were to endure a little longer, they could be promoted to an official in the future.

If exorcists could be friend soul reapers, it would be much easier for them to do a lot of things.

However, it definitely wouldn't be that simple.

If not, Lu Penghai would have already seen soul reapers long ago.

Who would have thought that the little girl before his eyes not only had a good relationship with the soul reaper...

Based on what the soul reaper was saying, even the Lord of Death was familiar with this little girl!

What was going on?!

"Hand it over to me," the soul reaper said.

Xie Jiling nodded and was about to call the infant spirit over.

Suddenly, Li Zhixiao called out loud, "Wait!"

Song Lihua had been seriously frightened.

But as a mother, she found out that Li Zhixiao had harmed her own child.

When Song Lihua thought about her own baby, she felt so much pity for this infant spirit.

How heartless must Li Zhixiao be not to spare even the soul of her own child!

Obviously, the infant spirit had not been in control when he appeared in her dream.

It had been controlled by someone else.

And now, Song Lihua didn't hate him at all. Instead, she felt a lot of pity for him.

Song Lihua couldn't help but say to Li Zhixiao, "Jiling has talked to them and managed to ask them to give your child another chance. You have already caused him harm. Are you going to ruin this rare opportunity he has gotten? How can there be a mother like you?!"

The infant spirit held onto Xie Jiling tightly as it felt nervous.

Li Zhixiao said sadly, "I just wanted to hold him."

"I... I haven't gotten the chance to hold him. I don't know if I will have the chance to do that anymore in the future. In the future... In the future, he will not be my child anymore..." Li Zhixiao sobbed as she said, "Can I... Can I get one last chance to hold him?"

When he reincarnated and became someone else's child, he wouldn't remember her.

"It's a blessing for him to forget you," Xie Jiling said coldly, "And now, you are saying that you can't bear for him to leave. If so, why did you choose to kill him when his body was already fully developed, and there was life in him? Why did you trap his soul after you chose to kill him?"

"You were able to abandon him back then, so don't act like you can't let him go now," Xie Jiling said in a hateful tone.

Li Zhixiao could not argue against what Xie Jiling said.

Li Zhixiao asked pitifully, "I didn't want to do it! I am his mother! Do you really think that I wouldn't want him to live a good life? Just let me... hug him one last time. I won't have any chance anymore after this."

Her child didn't even have the chance to call her mother.

Xie Jiling ignored her. She looked down at the infant spirit in her arms and asked, "What do you think?"

The infant spirit looked at Xie Jiling before he turned the back of his head toward Li Zhixiao.

God forgive him for not being able to see Li Zhixiao as his mother.

He had only been in her belly for a few months. He had just developed senses when he was killed, and his soul was confined.

He simply had not developed any feelings for Li Zhixiao.

He was already showing appreciation for the past months of nurture by not hating her.

Xie Jiling immediately understood what he was trying to say through his movements.

She didn't even look at Li Zhixiao as she handed over the infant spirit to the soul reaper. "Remember to tell the Lord of Death properly. If you don't explain properly, I will tell him myself."

Whenever Xie Jiling ask them to do something, she would say this one instruction.

The soul reapers were already used to it.

However, they still felt gloomy whenever they heard this from her.

They immediately responded, "We will tell the Lord of Death very clearly."

S, the two soul reapers held the infant spirit and left.

The black hole closed behind them like it had never appeared before.

Zhou Liangsheng stared at all these things with a blank expression. He felt like he was in a dream.

Li Zhixiao started bawling her eyes out on the hospital bed. "Why! Why won't you let me hold him?! He is my child! What right do you have to intervene?!"

"Because you don't deserve it!" Song Lihua despised, "If you didn't want to get the abortion, who could force you to do it? To put it bluntly, both of you did it for money! You were willing to sacrifice your child's life for money!"

"Both of you are bastards!" Song Lihua cursed.

Zhou Liangsheng had killed one child and was going to kill another child.

And Li Zhixiao was willing to sacrifice her own child for benefit.

These two were bastards who do not deserve to be called humans!

"You are right. When both of them reincarnate, they will not be humans anymore," said Xie Jiling.

"What did you say?" Li Zhixiao was surprised. When it was something that was related to her own self, she immediately forgot about her child.

To put it bluntly, she was just selfish.

Xie Jiling thought it was fortunate that the soul reapers had already taken the infant spirit away.

If the infant spirit had to stay and watch the expression on Li Zhixiao's face, it would just cause him more sorrow.

Xie Jiling sneered and said to Li Zhixiao, "I don't know if an accident will happen to Zhou Liangsheng and if he will die at a young age. These are things recorded in the book of life and death, and I cannot predict these things. Let's just say that he will live for a long time and his time for reincarnation is in the far future. It's too early to worry about that now."

"However, you are different." Xie Jiling said to Li Zhixiao, "You should start thinking about how you plan to endure the punishment you will have to deal with when you join the underworld."

"What do you mean!" Li Zhixiao panicked as she stared at Xie Jiling.

"You failed to curse someone and experienced backlash," Xie Jiling said, "In order to place the curse, Lu Penghai would need something from both you and Sister Lihua, such as your hair or blood. If the curse fails, you will receive backlash through the things that belong to you."

"If not, why do you think you suddenly got admitted into this hospital?" Xie Jiling stared at the machine at the side, "Why did you suddenly become weak? Even the doctors can't find out why, right? You have done all kinds of tests with all kinds of instruments, right? But they still couldn't figure out why, right?"

Xie Jiling turned toward Lu Penghai and said, "Did you not tell her about the backlash if the curse fails?"

"I did!" Lu Penghai quickly said. He felt wronged. "I told her everything, but she was the one who said that it was impossible for Song Lihua to know that she had been cursed. Even if she knew, it would be impossible for her to find an actual exorcist to solve her problem."

After all, exorcists were rare existences. They weren't people that you could easily locate.

That was what Lu Penghai thought, and he thought he was for sure winning.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have done such a dangerous thing for money.

"Then, you did this to yourself." Xie Jiling said to Li Zhixiao.

Chapter 3390: A Dogfight

"The level of backlash you will get when the curse fails depends on the curse."

"Your lifespan will be reduced in varying degrees, in units of 10 years. On top of your lifespan being reduced by at least 10 years and this number increasing by units of 10 depending on the curse, you will also lose your sense of sight, hearing, and taste. Your organs will gradually fail."

When Li Zhixiao heard what Xie Jiling said, she felt her heart ache.

Subconsciously, she placed her hand over her chest. It was just as what Xie Jiling had said. She felt her entire body aching.

"The curse you placed has done more than just take someone else's life. You tried to disperse an infant's spirit and steal his body, making another infant wander outside without nowhere to go," Xie Jiling said coldly.

"Such curse goes against human morals and nature and will result in a very serious backlash." Xie Jiling walked to the end of the bed and asked, "Do you feel out of breath? Do you feel all your organs hurting?"

Xie Jiling was right, Li Zhixiao felt that breathing was becoming more and more painful for her.

She applied pressure on her chest. She was really in pain.

Not only were her organs hurting, but her skin and pores were also hurting.

"That's the backlash," Xie Jiling said coldly, "Based on the level, even the heavens had decided that your curse was too evil and was a violation of the heavens' peace. This is why you are experiencing such a severe backlash."

"Then... what should she do now?" Zhou Liangsheng immediately asked.

"What should she do? She should wait for death." Xie Jiling didn't show any pity as she said, "If it happens fast, she will have one to two months left. If this progresses slowly, she will have around one to two years left. It depends on how quick her organs fail. Doctors and medicine are not completely useless."

"Although doctors won't be able to find the cause of the illness, the medication should be able to slow the progression of this illness," Xie Jiling said, "Of course, I am not a doctor. I am not professional. I might not be right about this."

"Anyway, it depends on your luck. However, this will cost a lot of money." Xie Jiling smiled mockingly as she stared at Zhou Liangsheng and said, "It depends on whether you are willing to pay the price or not."

"This would be a bottomless pit. You would basically be burning your money. Most importantly, you might not get a result even if you burn your money. You could be spending money like water flowing out with nothing in return." Xie Jiling stared at Zhou Liangsheng coldly and said, "It depends on whether you are willing to do it or not."

As expected, Zhou Liangsheng hesitated.

Because according to what Xie Jiling said, Li Zhixiao wouldn't live long anyway.

Even if they tried to keep her alive, she would not be able to escape death in the end.

In fact, he would have to spend more money if she died later on.

Then, he might as well let her die earlier.

Song Lihua stared at Zhou Liangsheng coldly. At this moment, she saw through this man.

Li Zhixiao didn't expect Zhou Liangsheng to hesitate.

"Zhou Liangsheng..." Li Zhixiao stared at Zhou Liangsheng in disbelief.

This was the guy she had loved and had been with for such a long time! She was even willing to be this man's mistress without an official status!

"Back then, when we first got together, you said that you would be good to me for the rest of your life. Even if your family wasn't willing, you said that you would convince your family to let you marry me. But in the end, when your family threatened you with the family business, you came back and persuaded me to wait for you."

"You said you had no feelings for Song Lihua and asked me to wait until you divorce her. I believed you, and I waited."

"And what happened then? Song Lihua became pregnant. I became pregnant as well. You told me to give birth to the baby and that you would love me and our child. You said that you would divorce Song Lihua and give both of us a title and status so that my child can be rightfully given the surname Zhou."

"I was so happy. But what happened then? Your family threatened you with your family business, and you came back to tell me to get rid of the baby. But by then, the fetus was already too big for an abortion, and a labor induction was the only option."

"You said that we would have another child. When you inherit your family business, you will divorce Song Lihua, and I agreed to this because of you. I aborted my child who was already that big! I watched him develop, and I watched them kill him alive."

"I have abandoned my child for your sake. An induction abortion was dangerous, but you guaranteed that I would be fine. But what happened then? In the end, I would never have another child anymore."

"I lost my family and killed my child for your sake. I lost my chance to be a mother." The more Li Zhixiao spoke, the more pain she felt.

"However, you never fulfilled any of the promises you gave me! You made me lose everything, but you never gave me anything!" Li Zhixiao said.

"I should have known that the family business, money, and benefits were the most important things to you and anything that obstructed your path for more benefits would be moved to the very back. When it was me versus your benefits, I naturally became the thing you have to sacrifice."