

Chapter 213: No Coaxing

“What Grandma wants to tell you is that no matter how others look at you or what they say, the most important thing is that you know who you are and the people who love you know who you are.”

“Grandma was muddle-headed before, thinking that Lin Yin was a good kid. I thought that you’d be able to live a stable life with him, and I didn’t expect it to almost ruin your life. I know you married Little Mo to make me feel at ease. It must have been hard on you.”

Mo Shenbai stopped reading at this point and turned to look at Xu Youyou.

She had stopped playing with the bracelet in her hand and was looking at him. Her red eyes carried a hint of surprise.

Then, Mo Shenbai continued reading.

“Little Mo is a good child. Grandma knows that you’ll definitely continue to live well. Grandma will feel at ease when you have a good home.”

“Don’t be sad because of Grandma. Grandma lived a very happy life. I had your grandfather, your father, you, and your brother. In the future, when Grandma isn’t around, you have to visit your parents more often. I was the one who insisted on taking you away back then. They were also very helpless. Don’t hold a grudge against them. They’re the same as me; they love you and will always love you.”

“Youyou, you’re Grandma’s precious baby. Don’t be afraid. You have to believe that you came into this world for a purpose. Everything in life has its meaning. You should be happy. You’re a child favored by fate, and you’re the most unique existence.”

“Grandma is really reluctant to part with you, but it’s time for Grandma to look for your Grandpa. If we’re separated for too long, I’m afraid your Grandpa will run away with another little old lady. You have to live well in the future. No matter what difficulties you encounter, don’t be discouraged. Look around you. You have your parents, your brother, Little Mo, and... your Grandma, who’ll always love you.”

After Mo Shenbai finished reading, he looked up and met Xu Youyou’s teary eyes.

Tears had long welled up in Xu Youyou’s eyes. They fell from her eyes as she murmured in a barely audible voice, “So Grandma... knew everything...”

Mo Shenbai placed the letter back into the envelope before he took a deep breath and said in a low and hoarse voice, “Cry. You’ll feel better if you cry.”

Xu Youyou had not shed a single tear since the incident with Old Madam Xu.

The Xu family’s relatives did not say anything on the surface, but they were all discussing it in private. They said that Old Madam Xu doted on Xu Youyou for nothing all these years after seeing that Xu Youyou did not shed a single tear at all after Old Madam Xu’s death. They said that even a dog knew how to be loyal to its owner, and Xu Youyou was just an ungrateful wench. No one considered Xu Youyou’s feelings for Old Madam Xu at all. How could tears alone represent filial piety and love?

Oftentimes, immense grief was silent. However, these people kept denouncing Xu Youyou for being an ingrate who only knew how to eat and drink. They were so happy that it seemed like they were attending a wedding banquet instead of a funeral.

Xu Youyou leaned into Mo Shenbai's arms and cried until she was out of breath. Her pale face turned red from crying immediately.

Mo Shenbai gently wiped the tears from her face and did not say any words of consolation or persuade her to stop crying. Crying was the best way for her to vent her grief. If she continued to hold it in, it would fester and ultimately harm her. An example of that was her sleepwalking episode.

Xu Youyou continued to cry until it became hard for her to breathe, and she almost fainted.

Mo Shenbai poured her a glass of warm water and brought it to her mouth. His voice was low, hoarse, and gentle as he coaxed her, "Be good, and drink some water."

Xu Youyou sobbed. Tears still fell from the corners of her eyes as she drank the water.

"Alright, stop crying..." Mo Shenbai lowered his head and kissed the tears on her face before he said, "If you continue to cry, I'm afraid that Grandma will look for me to settle the score with me."

Xu Youyou looked at him and asked, "W-why would she settle the score with you?"

"Grandma will definitely wonder why I didn't coax you seeing that you're crying so hard," Mo Shenbai said as he reached out to tuck a strand of her hair behind her ear.

Xu Youyou sniffled and asked hoarsely, "Then, why didn't you coax me?"

"I want to coax you, but you're crying too hard," Mo Shenbai said with a heavy sigh, "You cried so hard until my heart ached. For a moment, I didn't know how to coax you."

Xu Youyou: "..."

Then, she punched him softly with her fist before she said, "You have a really glib tongue!"

Mo Shenbai allowed her to punch his chest. "As long as you're willing to talk to me and not close yourself off, you can hit me a few more times. However, I think you should use something else to hit me. I'm worried you'll hurt your hands."

Mo Shenbai's principles were all gone when faced with her.

Xu Youyou glared at him with tears glistening in her eyes. She really wanted to say that he was too greasy, but when she looked at his handsome face, she really could not associate it with the word 'greasy'. In the end, she only pouted and said, "You're just trying to trick me."

"No," Mo Shenbai said, feeling wronged, as he lowered his head to press his cheek against hers, "I'm serious. As long as it makes you feel better, you can do whatever you want."

Xu Youyou sniffled again before she asked in an uncertain tone, "I, I can really do whatever I want?"

Mo Shenbai nodded without hesitation.

Xu Youyou immediately raised his hand to unbutton his suit before she began to unbutton his shirt.

Mo Shenbai was stunned. When he regained his senses, his ears turned red immediately. He looked at the entrance uneasily and nervously before he quickly grabbed her slender wrist to stop her and say, "Youyou, Grandma just left, and we're outside now... It's inappropriate..."

"What's inappropriate?" Xu Youyou frowned and stared at him unhappily. "You're not going back on your words, are you?"

Mo Shenbai gulped. "No, no..."

It was truly inappropriate to act like this at this place when an elder just left, but if she really wanted to do this...

Mo Shenbai's hand that held her wrist loosened slightly.

Xu Youyou shook his hand and continued to unbutton his collar. When she unbuttoned the fourth button, his chest was revealed.

Mo Shenbai's ears could not be any redder at this moment. He was leaning against the couch, and his clothes were disheveled. There was something attractive about how decadent he looked at this moment. Fortunately, he kept a low profile and was hardly on the news. For this reason, not many people knew what he looked like. Otherwise, just his face alone was enough to make most of the women in Mo City go crazy.

Xu Youyou's eyes moved from his handsome face to his chest before returning to his face again.

For the first time, the usually calm Mo Shenbai lost his composure. He gulped. It was simply unprecedented for the young woman in front of him to take the initiative like this.

Xu Youyou looked at Mo Shenbai for a long time without doing anything else.

Mo Shenbai thought that it was normal that she did not know how else to proceed since he had always been the one taking the initiative in this matter. He thought to himself, 'Forget it. It's better for me to take the initiative. Otherwise, she might cry again...'

Mo Shenbai sat up before he lowered his head.

However, just as his lips were about to meet hers, she suddenly pulled the left side of his shirt down and leaned forward to bite his left shoulder.

Mo Shenbai: "?"

Xu Youyou increased the strength of her bite.

Mo Shenbai: "..."

'This...'

Xu Youyou did not bite him as hard as she did Wang Xiaohui, but her force was not gentle either. When she bit him, she felt an inexplicable pleasure in her heart.

Mo Shenbai frowned in pain, but he did not push her away. Instead, he reached out and held the back of her head. His actions and touch were gentle with a hint of comfort.

