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Ye Qingtang's action caused Han Cangming's eyes to flicker. His beautiful brows furrowed a little when he saw the girl's fearful behavior.

She's afraid of him?

Why?

"Thank you for saving us today, senior..." Ye Qingtang lowered her head and tried to reduce her presence.

"Han Cangming," said Han Cangming suddenly.

Ye Qingtang was astounded.

Was not Han Cangming the Palace Lord of Antiquity Palace?!

Her guess was indeed right!

Lin Long, who was standing from aside, was shaken to the core when she heard the words "Han Cangming"!

Han Cangming?!

That was actually Han Cangming!

The person who saved them was actually the Palace Lord of Antiquity Palace?!

She simply did not dare to believe that the legendary supreme figure in Antiquity Palace actually appeared in front of her and... even rescued her and Junior Sister Ye?

Lin Long even almost suspected whether she was hallucinating from the pain of the Blood Plague.

All of this was too much of a fantasy.

"My name." Han Cangming could not help but say when he saw that Ye Qingtang was still like a frightened little rabbit.

Ye Qingtang's lips twitched a little.

Of course she knew that it was his name, but why was he saying his name here?

Who knows whether Han Cangming had discovered the Heart of the Demon God in her...

Great powerful person, I know you are the most powerful person on earth. Please let my heart off!!

Ye Qingtang had a mental breakdown but did not show any of it on her face and could only say humbly, "I seek your forgiveness for being unaware of your arrival. I am unable to return your kindness for saving us today, but I will remember it for the rest of my life."

For the first time, Ye Qingtang realized had such a suck-up side to her.

It was not that she was too weak but that the opposing partner was too powerful. She had no choice but to chicken out!

She just escaped a wolf's lair one moment ago and entered a tiger's den in the next. Her heart was already flooded with tears from a long time ago.

If Han Cangming discovered the Heart of the Demon God, her only fate was death even if she grew two more legs!

Han Cangming looked down at the person who was only at his chest level. Her cautious behavior and the girl who touched him carelessly all over in Xuanling Sect on normal days were completely two different people.

The mountain forest was unusually silent in the dark night. The zombies that had not been killed sensed Han Cangming's power and laid on the floor, shivering, not daring to move.

A cold night breeze brushed past them.

The unusual silence almost suffocated Ye Qingtang. There was no way for her to find out whether Han Cangming discovered the Heart of the Demon God in her heart. If he did not, why would a person with such a noble identity like him keep staring at her like this?

And just at that moment, Han Cangming, who remained silent all along suddenly, opened his mouth.

"Since you're unable to repay my kindness..."

Ye Qingtang looked up slightly and at the beautiful god-like face in confusion.

Indifference was etched on Han Cangming's face, and his lowered eyes reflected Ye Qingtang's bewildered face. Han Cangming said slowly in a cold tone,

"Then marrying me will do."

"..." Lin Long stared at the man.

What did I hear?

"..." Ye Qingtang also blanked out.

In just a moment, Ye Qingtang was stunned and rooted to the ground as though she was struck by lightning. She widened her eyes in disbelief.

He...

What did he say?

Marry him??!!

Was he blind or was she deaf?!

Your Highness, isn't this joke of yours is too big already!!!

Chapter 242: Marry (2)

Ye Qingtang was utterly dumbfounded as she stood rooted to the ground in a trance. Looking at the emotionless Han Cangming, she almost began to suspect whether that statement was really said by this man, who had abstinence written all over his face.

"Your Highness uh... what did you say?" Ye Qingtang seriously suspected that she was hallucinating because she was too nervous in the battle just now.

"You. Marry me." Han Cangming repeated in a rare case of good temper.

"..." Ye Qingtang felt that she was going to faint.

The Palace Lord of Antiquity Palace wanted her to marry him?!

Your Highness... how hard are you on yourself...

Ye Qingtang instinctively turned around to look at Lin Long, who had long frozen at the spot.

At that instant, Lin Long felt that the entire world crashed internally. She looked at the horrified Ye Qingtang and then at the indifferent Han Cangming, and then silently lowered her head, choosing to ignore Ye Qingtang's eyes which pleaded for help.

Junior Sister Ye, it's not that I don't want to help you.

It's just that...

This person is a really big shot!

Lin Long never expected for things to develop in such a strange direction.

There was not one person who did not know about Han Cangming. In this world, no one could come close to him, and even the Sect Master of Xuanling Sect had to give Han Cangming a full bow should they meet. But it was this god-like person who came so unexpectedly... This was a blessing of several lifetimes for others.

However...

Just by looking at her junior sister's anguished expression, Lin Long sensed with certainty the mental breakdown of Ye Qingtang.

Despite that, she still had no choice.

That was Han Cangming!!

The legendary noble and aloof Palace Lord who was a Paragon actually asked her junior sister to "marry" him!

Lin Long's views were all crumbled.

After seeking help but to no avail, Ye Qingtang almost went insane internally. Before she managed to turn around, she suddenly saw a shadow looming over her surroundings, blocking the moonlight and enveloping her tiny frame in it.

Ye Qingtang turned around swiftly and met with Han Cangming's beautiful eyes that were just a few inches away from her. Her body froze, and her heart was in her mouth instantly.

She instinctively wanted to take a step backward, but after meeting Han Cangming's deep eyes, it was as though roots grew from her feet, planting her right into the ground without any ability to move.

The little dragon man from aside looked on the "intimate interaction" between its Would-be Father and Mother with eager eyes and wagged its tail crazily.

"Muacks muacks muacks muacks" Muacks muacks muacks muacks" It puckered its lips anxiously, and its eyes twinkled as it watched the two people who gradually got closer. It almost dashed forward to knock Ye Qingtang and Han Cangming's head together for them to have a heated kiss.

Ye Qingtang saw the little dragon man's expression and really wanted to slap this reckless little fellow to the ground.

Muacks your head!

So much for calling me your mother. Don't you know there's a lethal Heart of the Demon God in your mother's body?

What is this Han Cangming's identity? It was the orthodox Paragon!

If the Heart of the Demon God was discovered, you can just wait to bawl your eyes out at my funeral!

God knows how much Ye Qingtang wanted to escape right now and stay away from Han Cangming, this dangerous person, as far as possible.

Marry him?

Impossible, alright!

Han Cangming looked at Ye Qingtang's dodging expression, and his brows gathered to a slight frown.

That small reaction from Han Cangming fell into Ye Qingtang's eyes, and she broke out in a cold sweat from fear.

Ordinary people did not even have a chance to see Han Cangming, but she actually dared to ignore Han Cangming's request to "marry" him!

Chapter 243: Marry (3)

"Uh... I am overwhelmed by your kind favor," Ye Qingtang summoned her courage and said hurriedly, afraid that Han Cangming would kill her like how he killed the evil spirit just now if he was unhappy.

Overwhelmed by his kind favor?

Han Cangming raised a brow as he looked at Ye Qingtang who clearly only had "overwhelmed" written on her face. He narrowed his eyes as a light darted across them.

Should he dive straight in?

Or advance gradually in proper sequence?

After remaining silent for a while, Han Cangming suddenly took a step back and saw Ye Qingtang secretly heaving a sigh of relief. But before she could even let out that sigh, Han Cangming suddenly stretched out a hand and held onto Ye Qingtang's right hand.

Goosebumps stood all over, and her body stiffened without daring to even look up.

Did he discover it?!

However...

Han Cangming removed a ring on his finger and put it onto Ye Qingtang's fair finger without hesitation. The moment the slightly large ring was worn on Ye Qingtang's finger, it suddenly shrank in size, fitting on her finger tightly.

"You can consider it." Afterward, Han Cangming released Ye Qingtang's hand.

Ye Qingtang was utterly stunned as though a bolt of lightning struck her, and her eyes stared right at the ring that was forcefully put on her finger.

She did not know what material was that ring made of either. It was a silvery white ring with tiny, obscure ancient patterns carved on it

Han Cangming did not say anything further and left.

They would meet very quickly. He was not in a hurry.

Just as when he came, the tall figure turned into a beam of light and instantly vanished before her eyes, leaving a trembling Ye Qingtang alone at the sight of that ring.

Upon the dragon seeing that its Would-be Father leave just like this, it was as though a cold bucket of water was poured over the little dragon man's excited face, replacing it with an expression full of despair.

Would-be Father, why did you leave already!!

Even if you leave, you should bring mother away with you!!

"Junior... Junior Sister Ye?" After Han Cangming left, Lin Long finally dared to walk to Ye Qingtang's side. Lin Long looked at the ring on Ye Qingtang's finger and was stunned.

"Is this a love token that His Highness Han Cangming gave you?"

"..." Ye Qingtang looked up and stared at Lin Long with a frightened expression. After taking a deep breath, she immediately lifted a hand to take the ring out.

"What love token... how can it be..."

To no avail, Ye Qingtang used all her strength, but it was as if that ring was grown on her finger and did not move at all!

"..." Was this forcing her to chop off her hand?

Ye Qingtang wanted to cry.

What was Han Cangming cursed with!

Lin Long could not help but laugh when she saw Ye Qingtang's helpless expression.

"In this whole world, probably only you will avoid Han Cangming's favor like a plague..."

Favor?

What the hell!

Ye Qingtang's expression darkened further.

If she were an ordinary girl, she would definitely be on cloud nine to meet such a powerful person like Han Cangming and even be able to ride on his coattails. But... she had the Heart of the Demon God in her body!

No matter what, Ye Qingtang would not forget how many assassinations she faced in her previous life from the people on the "orthodox" because of that Heart of the Demon God.

Now that she crossed paths with the leader of the orthodox, she only felt that her time was up!

"Senior sister, stop making fun of me already." Ye Qingtang suppressed her inner turmoil and looked around the messy surroundings.

The evil spirit was already shot dead by Han Cangming, but those zombies were not completely exterminated. Without the evil spirit's orders, they were like headless flies that remained at the spot blankly.

Chapter 244: I Gave It A Dye (1)

"We can't stay here for long. Let's leave now." Ye Qingtang narrowed her eyes slightly and carried the depressed little dragon man in her arms. Looking at its eyes just now, she almost thought that this little fellow would chase after Han Cangming and leave with him!

It was clearly raised by her, but why was it so close to Han Cangming, whom it met for the first time?

Ye Qingtang could not understand the reason but could only treat it as the dragon species' fondness for powerful people.

Lin Long nodded. After walking a few meters, they suddenly saw Zhou Xuan, who was shot by Ye Qingtang and fell to the ground.

Zhou Xuan was unlucky too: other than being shot in his shoulder, his head actually hit a rock when he fell from the horse, knocking him out immediately.

Ye Qingtang cast a look at Zhou Xuan and then walked away, pretending as though she had not seen anything.

"Junior Sister Ye?" Lin Long was rather confused when she saw Ye Qingtang walking away.

According to the sect rules, whatever Zhou Xuan did previously was enough for him to be kicked out of Xuanling Sect, but... why did Ye Qingtang not do anything?

Ye Qingtang stopped in her tracks and looked at Lin Long with smiling eyes.

"Senior Sister Lin, do you know why the orthodox is so fearful of the Blood Moon Sect's evil spirits?" Lin Long shook her head.

Ye Qingtang looked down at the unconscious Zhou Xuan, and a murderous look flashed across her eyes.

"Because the evil cultivation techniques of the Blood Moon Sect could allow the spirits to achieve immortality. Even if the Blood Moon Sect were exterminated and the sect members were killed initially, their souls would not disappear. Thus, the orthodox had to seal their souls. However, they still had a possibility of resurrection centuries later."

Then, Ye Qingtang pointed at the evil spirit on the floor and said, "Although the evil spirit seems to be killed, it will never disappear. A while later, it will regain consciousness, and at that time... it will naturally need great amounts of spirit energy to nourish itself."

Ye Qingtang only talked briefly, but the realization hit Lin Long instantly.

Looking at Zhou Xuan on the ground, Lin Long understood Ye Qingtang's intention and left together with Ye Qingtang without saying anything more.

Ye Qingtang did not have any deep grudges with the evil spirit. In her previous lifetime, the so-called orthodox was the one who drove her to desperation. Thus, she had no interest in participating in the Blood Moon Sect affairs. Moreover, her current abilities were not enough to destroy the evil spirit. Luckily... she was able to sit out and reap the spoils later. What was important now was to bring Lin Long back to the sect as soon as possible and eliminate the Blood Plague in her body.

Ye Qingtang and Lin Long left.

Under the moonlight, the area around Spirit Condensation Mountain Village was desolate. Zombies that had lost all directions and orders stood at the same spot unsteadily.

However, someone appeared silently. Watching Ye Qingtang leave, there seemed to be a slight change in Wu Zheng's expression. However, he quickly looked away and found the unconscious Wu Chengze in the mess and poured a bottle of elixir into his mouth.

When Wu Chengze was awake, he saw that all his relatives had turned into zombies. Yet, there was not a slight trace of pain in his eyes as he frantically searched for the evil spirit.

"Master!" Madness filled Wu Chengze's face when he saw the evil spirit that collapsed on the ground.

Wu Zheng watched coldly from aside. His face remained emotionless as he looked at how Wu Chengze was completely unbothered about the lives of all his relatives.

Very quickly, Wu Chenze spotted the unconscious Zhou Xuan from not far away, and an evil glimmer appeared in his eyes.

"Go! Bring that sect disciple over here! Master needs nourishment from essence!"

Chapter 245: I Gave It A Dye (2)

Ye Qingtang brought Lin Long back to Xuanling Sect hurriedly. Luckily, Ye Qingtang had many elixirs on hand, which helped Lin Long pull through all the way until they reached the sect. Only after Ye Qingtang brought Lin Long to receive treatment did Ye Qingtang finally sigh in relief.

She was about to report this mission to the outer sect warden but suddenly saw someone standing under a tree not far away suspiciously and peeping at her.

Ye Qingtang raised a brow. Looking at the familiar figure, Ye Qingtang folded her arms and said,

"Senior Brother Qin."

A chill ran down Qin Huan's spine as he shifted out from the spot while holding onto a string that was pulling onto something behind the tree.

"Junior... Junior Sister Ye, you're back so early?" Qin Huan laughed stiffly.

He just received news that Ye Qingtang returned to the sect and thus came over cautiously. Yet... before he was able to mentally prepare himself, Ye Qingtang saw him.

Ye Qingtang raised her eyebrows and narrowed her eyes at Qin Huan's extremely unnatural expression which gave her a bad feeling.

"Senior Brother Qin, where's my wolf?" Ye Qingtang asked.

In just a moment, Qin Huan's hair stood on end, and he forcefully squeezed out a smile that was uglier than a cry on his attractive face.

"Oh that silver wolf... it's still here. I fed it very well... Don't worry..." Qin Huan said guiltily.

Ye Qingtang did not say anything, but her eyes sharpened.

Under Ye Qingtang's stare, Qin Huan swallowed a mouthful of saliva and tugged on the string in his hand in extreme reluctance, pulling the certain creature that was hidden behind the tree out.

That was a big and muscular wolf...

However, Ye Qingtang had a face of shock when she saw that wolf.

The wolf that Qin Huan was leading was an adult wolf without doubt, but the wolf's fur was ash-white and not silver.

"Where's my wolf!" Ye Qingtang glared at Qin Huan furiously.

Qin Huan was really on the verge of crying but could only muster his courage and reply. "Your wolf? Isn't this your wolf?"

"My wolf is silver colored," Ye Qingtang said coldly.

The corner of Qin Huan's lips twitched as he feigned a firm front. "Yeah, it's silver colored"

"Do you think I'm blind?" Ye Qingtang pointed to the fierce gray wolf that Qin Huan was pulling.

Qin Huan hurriedly waved his hands. "No no no... Listen to me, this is indeed your wolf. I just thought that its fur was not pretty previously and too loud so I gave it a dye. Look, isn't this color way more lowkey?"

"..." Ye Qingtang narrowed her eyes and drew out her sword in a swift motion.

The sword glimmered, and Qin Huan immediately ducked.

"Junior Sister Ye... Listen to me... It really is your wolf. Touch it if you don't believe me..." Then, Qin Huan even pulled the gray wolf to stand in front of Ye Qingtang.

The gray wolf flashed its teeth at Ye Qingtang.

"..." Qin Huan could only look at Ye Qingtang.

Qin Huan held back his tears and claimed. "This... this may be because you left for too long, and it doesn't remember you anymore. It will remember you if you continue to raise it for a few more days..."

Before Qin Huan finished his sentence, Ye Qingtang already charged towards him with a sword in her hands.

A chill went down his spine. Hurriedly pulling the gray wolf, he ran away madly.

"Junior Sister Ye! Calm down! Calm down a little! Ah ah ah! Don't slash my face!"

In the outer sect of Xuanling Sect, Qin Huan was sprinting like a madman while dragging along a gray wolf that was almost dying from the tight string and behind him was an armed Ye Qingtang who was chasing right after...

Chapter 246: You Have A Wolf Outside! (1)

Gu Yanqiu rubbed his temples and seemed troubled. Looking at Qin Huan who was standing before him after being beaten up to a pulp, his frown deepened.

"Junior Sister Ye, the situation is like this... When Qin Huan went to your room that day, the silver wolf had already disappeared." To help Qin Huan clear his awful mess, Gu Yanqiu patiently explained the weird disappearance of the silver wolf right after Ye Qingtang departed for the mission.

That day, Qin Huan could not find the silver wolf and dragged Gu Yanqiu to search for it in the outer sect for days. He even almost searched under the blankets of the outer sect elders. However, the silver wolf was still nowhere to be found, and thus, in desperation, Qin Huan could only think of such a shockingly dumb idea.

Qin Huan nodded his head furiously.

"Yas... thas right... It ran away itshelf... Shenior Brother Gu and I shearched for a fery rong time..."

"Shut up." Gu Yanqiu glared at Qin Huan who could not even speak properly.

Qin Huan pouted and kept quiet obediently.

Ye Qingtang had a complicated expression on her face as she stared at the gray wolf which was laying sideways on the floor, kicking the air continuously, with froth at its mouth after being pulled by the neck for a long distance. "So that's why Senior Brother Qin found this gray wolf to compensate me?"

Qin Huan hurriedly nodded and was about to say something, but Ye Qingtang darted him a cold look. "Speak human language."

Qin Huan ducked instinctively and tried his best to speak clearly. "This... this gray wolf is pretty good... I searched for a long time... That silver wolf of yours is too fat... This size of this one is definitely the standard. It's even fierce and domineering..."

Ye Qingtang looked at the gray wolf whose eyes were rolled back and was still kicking the air. "..."

"..." Cold sweat trickled down Qin Huan's face continuously. He hastily lifted the gray wolf's head up and cleaned up the froth at its mouth, trying his best to make the gray wolf appear a little more mighty.

Ye Qingtang suddenly felt very pitiful for the gray wolf.

"We will continue to help you search for the silver wolf. How about you take this wolf back first?" Gu Yanqiu suggested.

Ye Qingtang was opposed to it internally, but seeing how the gray wolf was tortured to that state by Qin Huan, its days may be numbered in Qin Huan's hands.

"You two will help me to search for the silver wolf?" Ye Qingtang asked.

Qin Huan nodded furiously.

Ye Qingtang hesitated for a while but finally nodded.

Immediately, Qin Huan handed the leash on the gray wolf into Ye Qingtang's hands. Her lips twitched when she saw the leash used for dogs.

Qin Huan looked at her especially obediently.

"..." Ye Qingtang felt a little headache. She still needed to submit her mission and did not intend to continue wasting time with Qin Huan. Thus, she simply waited for the gray wolf to recover a little and walked it back to her dorm.

The gray wolf walked at a slow pace with Ye Qingtang. Perhaps it was because of the trauma from Qin Huan's torture or that the image of Ye Qingtang chasing after Qin Huan's life was too impactful, the gray wolf walked beside Ye Qingtang in extreme obedience then.

It must be said that although this gray wolf was found by Qin Huan to be a "counterfeit"... judging by its appearance, it was also considered to be a supreme-grade amongst the wolves.

Ye Qingtang reached the door of her dorm. She glanced at the gray wolf and could not help but sigh as the image of the silver wolf could not be forgotten no matter how.

Why did it disappear so suddenly?

Ye Qingtang opened the door to her room gloomily with the gray wolf right beside her leg. As Ye Qingtang looked up, a silver figure suddenly appeared in her vision.

That domineering silver wolf was standing by Ye Qingtang's bed silently just as it was when she left.

Chapter 247: You Have A Wolf Outside! (2)

The domineering silver wolf was standing by Ye Qingtang's bed silently just as it was when she left.

Happiness filled her instantly when she saw the familiar figure.

Who said her silver wolf was missing?!

Was it not still here!

How dare Qin Huan that fellow lie to her!

Ye Qingtang's mood changed drastically. A smile bloomed on her face the moment she saw the silver wolf, and she walked towards that silver wolf immediately.

However...

Ye Qingtang only took a step forward but was suddenly pulled back by a certain force.

She turned around and saw that the gray wolf, which was originally following beside her, sprawled on the floor in shivers. Its bright, piercing eyes were, however, full of fear and terror at that instant, and it was unwilling to move further in.

Ye Qingtang was slightly taken aback. Out of a sudden, she felt a pair of deathly cold eyes on her. She looked in the direction of the source of that feeling and saw...

The silver wolf, which had always been aloof, was staring at her and the stupefied gray wolf beside her with a frighteningly cold expression.

That expression somehow gave her a feeling that she was being caught in the act of having an affair...

When the silver wolf glanced at the leash in Ye Qingtang's hand, she instinctively threw the leash away to prove her innocence.

Baby, I have nothing to do with this gray creature!

As for that gray wolf, it was already trembling in fear under the silver wolf's stare and almost passed out there and then.

At last, the gray wolf fell on the ground as though he was being crushed by a boulder. Unable to bear that suffocatingly overbearing force, it crawled up and dashed out of the room with a wail without looking back.

Ye Qingtang looked strangely at the back view of the gray wolf that ran away at top speed.

What happened?

Ye Qingtang could not be bothered with the gray wolf that suddenly escaped and quickly walked towards the silver wolf which she regained.

However, she did not know whether it was her illusion, but when she was about to take a step closer, she felt an odd coldness in the air...

Under the silver wolf's gaze, guilt filled her without reason. She swallowed her saliva and cracked a smile as she tried to get near the wolf while explaining, "Uh... the gray wolf is not mine. Senior Brother Qin forcefully passed it to me! It has nothing to do with me!"

The silver wolf glanced at Ye Qingtang and did not react.

Ye Qingtang broke down internally.

It was indeed angry!

At that very instant, Ye Qingtang really wanted to drag Qin Huan that idiot over and give him a beating again.

Not only did he lie that her silver wolf was missing, he even stuffed a gray wolf to her.

It was great now. The silver wolf saw her bring another wolf back. Was he stirring things up!

God knows that Ye Qingtang was finally able to be more intimate with the previously-aloof silver wolf after much effort, but now, everything returned to square one because of that gray wolf that jumped in.

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Outside Xuanling Sect, Mu Su looked in despair at the sect above the clouds. He felt extremely complicated.

He originally thought that everything would be fine once His Highness returned.

However...

Your Highness, why did you go back!

Are you addicted to becoming a wolf!

Mu Su wiped his tears away. Initially, he still thought that His Highness would never be able to get the girl and get his heart back with his level of emotional intelligence.

Yet, never had he expected that the twists and turns of life would allow His Highness to gain a blessing out of adversity.? His Highness could actually turn into a cute animal, and that's simply his natural gift in picking up girls, isn't it!

Chapter 248: Inquiry (1)

After settling down the silver wolf, Ye Qingtang went to submit her mission.

At this time, most of the disciples in the same batch as Ye Qingtang had not returned. When the warden saw Ye Qingtang, he could not help but find it a little strange.

"Warden, I'm here to submit the mission," Ye Qingtang said to the Warden.

The Warden swept a look across Ye Qingtang with a hint of confusion in his eyes.

"Why are you the one submitting the mission? Where's Zhou Xuan?" The warden said impatiently.

Ye Qingtang looked at the annoyed face of the Warden and lowered her eyes. "Senior Brother Zhou is already dead."

"What?!" The warden's expression changed.

Ye Qingtang saw the drastic change in the warden's expression and laughed internally.

When she left Spirit Condensation Mountain Village, Zhou Xuan was indeed still alive, but now... he would probably be dead already.

"What exactly happened!" The warden had an ugly expression on his face. If there were no accidents in sect missions, disciples only needed to submit their mission to the warden, but if there were casualties, the warden had to report it to the outer sect elders.

At that very instant, the warden's mood was terrible.

It should be known that he transferred Ye Qingtang, a new disciple, into Zhou Xuan's team as an exception after accepting many benefits from Zhou Xuan the other time.

However... reassigning sect missions in secret was not allowed in the sect. New disciples like Ye Qingtang, especially, would definitely not be appointed to take on overly dangerous missions for old disciples.

Previously, the warden was aware that Zhou Xuan intended to use this chance to teach Ye Qingtang a lesson and thus did not think too much about it, though everything would be different once the outer sect elders hear of this.

Looking at the warden's slightly pale face, Ye Qingtang obviously knew what he was worried about, but she did not show it and only told him everything that happened in Spirit Condensation Mountain Village in full detail, while excluding Han Cangming's appearance and the fact that Zhou Xuan was not yet dead at that time on purpose.

The more the warden listened, the more shocked he was. Things were utterly beyond his expectation.

He originally thought that nothing would happen in an investigation in Spirit Condensation Mountain Village. Hence, he dared to abuse his power and make an exception for Zhou Xuan. Yet unexpectedly...

"Noted. I will inform the outer sect elders about this." The warden was extremely frustrated as the matter concerned the deaths of three disciples and was related to the resurrection of the Blood Moon Sect. There was no way he could hide this even if he wanted to.

Ye Qingtang nodded obediently and took her leave.

While the warden could only muster his courage and inform the elder of the outer sect Sword Faction.

Before Ye Qingtang could even enter her room, a senior brother summoned for her and said that the outer sect elder asked for her to head over.

Ye Qingtang immediately went with that senior brother.

In just a while, Ye Qingtang was brought to all elders of the outer sect. In the hall were the four elders from the outer sect's Sword Faction, Fist Faction, Array Faction, and Herbal Faction had arrived, while the warden who relayed the message was present as well.

Along with Ye Qingtang's appearance, the four outer sect elder's eyes were immediately gathered on that tiny figure.

Elder Huang from the outer sect's Sword Faction looked up at Ye Qingtang, who entered the hall. A tight frown was seen on his face as he cast a sharp look at Ye Qingtang. He had seen Ye Qingtang when he was leading the new disciples into the sect previously, but... he did not pay much attention to her because her spirit root was too inferior...

Chapter 249: Inquiry (2)

As Elder Huang examined Ye Qingtang, the other three outer sect elders were secretly observing the young girl before them as well.

After a moment, Elder Huang then took the lead and asked, "What exactly happened in Spirit Condensation Mountain Village?"

Ye Qingtang immediately let out the whole story.

After her account, the four elders' expressions were not too good.

Spirit Condensation Mountain Village was affiliated to Xuanling Sect. If the village master, Wu Chengze, really switched to worship the Blood Moon Sect as Ye Qingtang said, it would be a humiliation to Xuanling Sect that could not be erased.

If words were to spread about the affiliation with an orthodox sect that was infatuated with resurrecting an evil spirit, would it not attract ridicule?

Elder Huang narrowed his eyes. He recalled Ye Qingtang's words but did not find any suspicious areas. Moreover, Ye Qingtang was merely a new disciple and would not be bold enough to make up such an outrageous lie.

But there was one point...

"Ye Qingtang, you are a new disciple, but why would you go on a sect mission together with Zhou Xuan and the rest?" asked Elder Huang without expressions. Ye Qingtang's appearance in this team itself was extremely illogical.

Once he said that, the warden standing from aside immediately started breaking out in a cold sweat.

Ye Qingtang glanced over the warden's pale expression, and a hint of laughter flashed past her eyes. "I am unaware as well. I listened to the warden's arrangement for everything. The warden told me to join Senior Brother Zhou's team, so that's what I did."

Ye Qingtang's casual reply was but a huge rock on the warden's mind.

The faces of all elders darkened, and Elder Huang even gave the warden a cold look.

"Should a new disciple be participating in the mission for Zhou Xuan and the rest?"

The warden's face turned pale, and he hurriedly knelt down as cold sweat trickled down his body.

"Since you can't even handle this properly, Xuanling Sect does not need such a useless person like you anymore. Leave the sect immediately," Elder Huang said emotionlessly, driving that warden out of Xuanling Sect..

The warden's face turned green immediately. He had been through so many things and contributed so much to climb up to this outer sect warden position. Never had he thought that his career would be ended right now because of his greed of a moment!

The warden wanted to plead for mercy but was immediately ordered to be sent away by Elder Huang.

No one was allowed to break the sect rules.

There was no emotion on Ye Qingtang's face as she watched the warden being forcefully carried away. From the start, she already knew that Zhou Xuan bribed the warden, which was why the warden changed her team. It was obvious that the warden knew about Zhou Xuan's intentions but still handed her into Zhou Xuan's hands for his own gains.

Towards such a person, Ye Qingtang was not sympathetic at all.

"We will send people to get to the bottom of this matter. Before the investigation is completed, both Lin Long and you should not take on any missions temporarily. If there is a need, we will summon you two for inquiry," said Elder Huang.

"Yes." Ye Qingtang nodded.

Elder Huang did not say anything further and let Ye Qingtang return first.

Once Ye Qingtang left, the other three elders who had remained silent throughout finally said something.

"This Ye Qingtang is rather mature and not like ordinary new disciples. I heard from the Rewards Pavilion warden previously that she beheaded a villain on the Assassination Roll by herself and thought that it was misinformation. Now, it seems that she is pretty good," praised the elder of the outer sect's Array Faction as he watched Ye Qingtang's fading back view.

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"Pretty good?" Elder Huang laughed faintly. "Regardless of her nature, one is to speak with their skills in the sect. It is already not easy for Ye Qingtang to pass the sect assessment with such a spirit root. No matter how mature she is, her natural endowments are ultimately not sufficient. She can only be an outer sect disciple at most in this life and will not have any fate with the inner sect."

Amongst the four factions, only the Sword Faction had the greatest requirement regarding the spirit roots. No matter how outstanding Ye Qingtang's performance was, it was still useless to the Sword Faction.

The Array Faction elder frowned slightly, dissatisfied with Elder Huang's words. When the new disciples entered the sect, the elder from the outer sect's Array Faction had already heard of such a girl from the Elder Qin of the inner sect's Array Faction. From Elder Qin's tone, one could tell that he valued Ye Qingtang. However, because Ye Qingtang just entered the sect, Elder Qin suggested to observe her for a period of time before making the final decision.

"There should be more investigations regarding Spirit Condensation Mountain Village. If it is really related to the Blood Moon Sect, it would be serious," the Fist Faction said, returning to official matters.

With that, the other three elders felt a weight on their minds.

Thousands of years ago, the Blood Moon Sect reigned supreme. Only after great effort from all sects in the world and deaths of many elites was the Blood Moon Sect exterminated.

If the Blood Moon Sect was resurrected, chaos would definitely ensue!

"This matter is serious, and we will need to send people to investigate. We will have to heed the Sect Master's arrangements regarding the specific plans."

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When Ye Qingtang returned from where she met the elders and to her room, Lin Long happened to be in the room as well.

Although Lin Long's face was slightly pale, she was in a better condition than before.

"Senior Sister Lin, how do you feel now?" Ye Qingtang looked at Lin Long and asked.

Lin Long replied. "The elixirs you gave me before are pretty effective. The physician said that I only need to recuperate for a while to recover."

The Blood Plague would destroy one's spirit root. The elixir that Ye Qingtang gave Lin Long to consume could protect the spirit root from being eroded. If her spirit root were broken, it would be difficult for Lin Long to progress any further in the future.

"That's good." Ye Qingtang smiled from the bottom of her heart.

Lin Long looked at Ye Qingtang and said, "It is all thanks to you. I still need to recuperate for a while for now, and while there isn't anything..." Lin Long frowned slightly as disappointment filled her eyes. "The inner sect assessment is one month from now. Given my current condition, I might not be able to participate in it."

While Lin Long's tone was calm, but a hint of regret could still be heard from her words.

The difference between the inner sect and outer sect was huge in a sect. To become truly powerful, the only way was to enter the inner sect. However, there was only one assessment for outer sect disciples to convert to inner sect disciples every year. Given Lin Long's current condition, it was probable that there was no way she could take part in it.

Ye Qingtang heard Lin Long's words, and the expression in her eyes changed.

Lin Long did not notice Ye Qingtang's emotions and continued. "But you don't need to worry. It is still early for you. New disciples cannot participate in the inner sect assessment in their first year in the sect. You can use this one year plus to focus on cultivation in preparation for the coming year."

Nevertheless, Ye Qingtang was unable to be as relaxed.

Ye Qingtang's real goal of entering Xuanling Sect was to enter the inner sect, and only through entering the inner sect would she be able to narrow the distance between her and Ye You.

Ye You was currently the final disciple of Yunxiao Sect's Sect Master, but she was still merely an outer sect disciple of Xuanling Sect. The gap between the two of them was like a chasm.

She must enter the inner sect in the shortest time possible!