

# So Pure, So Flirtatious #Chapter 41 - Read So Pure, So Flirtatious Chapter 41

Chapter 41: Weird Old Man

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“Brother Bao, I know you are a man of your words but it’s alright. I will settle my own things.” Yang Ming shook his head.

“Why? Are you looking down on me, old Bao?” asked Bao Sanli furiously.

“How can that be? It’s just that I don’t want to cause any problems for Brother Bao. Wang Zhitao’s family is really influential and powerful. I have heard that his father is our city’s Xiongfeng Group’s Chairman. We are definitely not a match for him at the moment!” Yang Ming purposely used the words ‘at the moment’ because he knew that this hatred had already formed and getting revenge was just a matter of time! If it was the Yang Ming from before he wouldn’t have been so confident, but now he was no longer an ordinary person. Xiongfeng Group, so what? He knew that he would be stronger than Wang Zhitao one day.

“Ah ya... I misunderstood you, brother. You are right. Xiongfeng Group isn’t something that we would be able to deal with.” Bao Sanli also felt a tinge of sadness at this moment. These punks sometimes felt a sense of injustice. They broke the law just like the rich and had to go to jail, but those rich bastards were able to do things ten times worse and still be free outside!

“Let’s not speak anymore about this, Brother Bao. How did you get into jail?” Yang Ming no longer wanted to continue this topic.

“Me? What else could it be? I had a fight with someone but my brothers misjudged that guy and didn’t figure out his identity beforehand! That day I was going out for drinks with a few brothers. After a few cups, I went to the washroom. But what a coincidence! There was another guy who was also rushing to the washroom. However, there was only one urinal, so we both started to fight for it and I punched him!” Bao Sanli said, “Originally I thought this situation would be easily settled but we never thought that this brat would go back and call five more people with each of them holding a baton in their hand. Even though there were only three of us, we were able to defeat the five of them. But after that, the police came. We then realized that those six people were from the Health Inspection Department. We were just small punks so it was easily predictable whose side the police listened to. My brothers and I were then held in custody for beating up public servants. We even had to pay their medical bills!”

Yang Ming tapped on Bao Sanli's shoulder and said, "Even though these people were public servants, in this case, you were also not right. Since both parties were wrong, you don't have to care so much!!"

"I wasn't thinking of anything. I just felt that it was a bit unfair. Why were those people enjoying themselves in the hospital while all of us brothers are here in jail?" Bao Sanli was slightly annoyed.

"Pff!" Yang Ming almost burst out laughing after hearing his words. "Brother Bao, aren't you a bit funny? They are all in the hospital. How do you call that enjoying themselves?"

Bao Sanli heard Yang Ming and also laughed with him. "We were a bit heavy-handed with our punches so I guess these people have to lie down for a while!"

Not long after that, Yang Ming got familiar with the few other people in jail. That stick-figure looking man was Bao Sanli's underling, named Qi Wenrui. He was involved in the fight that day. Another subordinate, Yu Lei, was locked in another jail cell.

That guy, Li Da, who came in because of a robbery was a frequent visitor. He, himself, didn't know how many times he had been in jail. Li Da was just held in custody to undergo some procedures and he would probably be out in a few days. However, Bao Sanli didn't know anything about that old man. All he said was that the guy was a crazy man who had been locked in here for many years. The other old men in prison said that he had been here for quite a long time – about seven to eight years.

Seven to eight years? Yang Ming froze. How could someone be in detention for seven to eight years and not sent to court? When he asked Bao Sanli, Bao Sanli also didn't know. It could just be another case forgotten by history.

It was after dinner time when Yang Ming first arrived here. He had a few more words with Bao Sanli and then went to sleep on his bed.

At midnight, a wild shriek woke Yang Ming from his dream.

"It's raining. It's sunny. Don't forget to wear your cotton jacket on a sunny day! It's snowing. It's sunny. Don't forget to wear your hat on a sunny day!"

Who? Yang Ming sat up straight in bed. When he raised his head, he noticed that everyone in jail was awake. Bao Sanli, noticing how Yang Ming was woken up, smiled bitterly and shook his head. He pointed to the old man's bed and said softly, "That old man is like that – sometimes clear-headed, sometimes confused. It's not the first time he started singing at night!"

"Nobody cares?" Yang Ming was curious and asked.

“I was told that in the beginning, the prison guard came here a few times, but after they noticed how he was a bit insane, they just stopped bothering him.” Bao Sanli said, “What a poor old man. He does not have any relatives.”

Yang Ming sighed and lay back down on his bed. The old man sang for a while and went silent. In a short while, the whole cell was filled with the sound of breathing.

On his second day, Yang Ming paid some extra attention to that old man. When the old man wasn't ill, he was just like any other ordinary person. He ate and drank with them but he never uttered a word.

“Hey, old man, you are taking so many steamed buns. Aren't you afraid that you would be choked to death by them? There aren't enough for the people behind us!” A job shoved the old man aside and the steamed bun in the old man's hand fell and rolled to the ground.

“Hahahaha!” The people beside the job laughed along. These few people were punks from the street. They had always found their entertainment by bullying the weak. Two days earlier, the police caught them for robbing an old man who sold fruit, then they were to be punished by being locked up for 15 days.

When the old man bent down to pick up the steamed bun, a person snatched it away from him. That person was Yang Ming!

Yang Ming picked up the steamed bun from the floor, rubbed it on the bottom of his shoe and stood back up. The job and the punks didn't understand what Yang Ming was doing. They looked at Yang Ming holding the dirty steamed bun as he smiled at them.

Yang Ming looked at the job in front, held his cheek tightly and stuffed the dirty steamed bun into his mouth.

“Eh — ah!” The job struggled to close his mouth, but Yang Ming's force on his mouth was surprisingly strong. The guy was only able to stare at Yang Ming shoving the steamed bun in his mouth.

“Since you are afraid that you wouldn't get one, I shall give you one right now!” Yang Ming said with a poker face. Once he finished, he used his right hand to forcefully press the steamed bun into the job's throat.

“Eh — Cough! Cough!” The job held his throat and coughed violently. The steamed bun caused him to not be able to breathe. His whole face turned purple. Together with his green hair, he looked like an eggplant among the vegetables.

“F\*\*\* you! Do you want to die?” The person beside the job was about to rush Yang Ming but was stopped by the others around him. Those people whispered a few words

into his ears and the enraged person gave Yang Ming another glare and walked away with a sense of fear and reverence.

## Chapter 42: He Was Also Framed

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Yang Ming was wondering why these people were afraid of him until he heard Bao Sanli's voice behind him. "What is going on? Who the f\*\*\* dares to bully our people?"

Yang Ming turned and saw Bao Sanli's wicked look and then he realized that those punks were afraid of Bao Sanli not him! Yang Ming found out yesterday that Bao Sanli was the boss in the detention house.

"It's ok, Brother Bao. Those punks were bullying this old man, so I taught them a lesson!" Yang Ming talked as he sat down with Bao Sanli. The old man sat beside them.

Bao Sanli scolded, "Don't bother about them. They probably just came in, such greenhorns!"

After the meal, the old man came to Yang Ming while he was putting away his dishes. The old man said smiling, "Thank you, young man!"

"You're welcome. I can't understand those who bully old people." Yang Ming shook his head like it was a small matter. However, he got these miraculous contact lenses because of his respectful attitude. "Oh yeah, old man, for what reason were you were brought here? I heard that you've already been here for almost eight years?"

The old man seemed sad after he heard that. He shook his head and didn't say anything in the end.

Yang Ming was curious about it so he asked Bao Sanli to introduce him to another old man in detention, Dong Jun. Dong Jun was a thief, but he was a thief with a god-like ability who normally wouldn't get caught. However, he was also a person who had a big heart and cared a lot about other people, especially the poor. Thus, the police could easily trace him as long as there were cases related to the poor. If he lived in ancient times, this man could be considered a grand thief [1].

After Bao Sanli introduced him, Yang Ming felt good about Dong Jun. Dong Jun was twenty-two years old. He studied under his master since he was eight years old. Once he graduated at the age of fifteen, he became a regular visitor to the police station and detention center.

Therefore, he naturally knew about a lot in the detention center. Even the officers weren't better than he.

Dong Jun was intrigued that Yang Ming was interested in his stories. In his opinion, the people who came into the detention center were busy with their own businesses. They didn't have time to bother with others.

Yang Ming spoke honestly, "I pity this old man. He has to stay in the detention center even though he is old."

"Oh, is that it? Then I'll tell you! There is nothing to do anyway!" After Dong Jun heard Yang Ming's reply, he smiled. "That old man is called Fang Tian. He once was the number one person in Song Jiang City! When old Fang was young, he worked at a construction site. His wife died of tuberculosis because he didn't have the money to treat her. Fang Tian was in grief and he swore that he would become a rich man. He got famous and went from being a mason to the leader of a contractor team. After he got some money, he had a few big projects. He really loved his wife so he didn't find another one. When he turned fifty, he met a woman who was younger than him by twenty-five years. This beautiful woman was his secretary. Their love developed through time so they were together at the end. He still had hard feelings regarding his previous wife so he treated his current wife especially well. Basically, he gave her whatever she wanted! Then at a cocktail party, the gang's boss, Hu San, took a fancy to Fang Tian's wife. But Fang Tian wasn't a vegetarian [2] either, so they started clashing openly and secretly! Later on, Hu San recruited a vice director of the detention center who was also the previous vice director of our current detention center. They caught Fang Tian into the detention center with illegal procedures. It was all forged by the vice director. So, Fang Tian was unknowingly set up by Hu San.

Yang Ming asked, "What happened to Fang Tian's wife after that?"

Dong Jun said disdainfully, "Heh, the woman got together with Hu San since she heard Fang Tian got caught. Not only that, she helped with Hu San's dirty business and became a tool to cultivate popularity!"

Yang Ming tried to recall but he couldn't remember if there was a Hu San in Song Jiang City. "So where is Hu San now?"

Dong Jun said, "He's dead. He got shot together with the woman!"

Yang Ming was puzzled. "Since he is dead, Fang Tian should be fine, right?"

"Yes, that's right, but the vice director and the associated staff were caught for shielding Hu San. For them, Fang Tian was just a little incident and they long forgot about him! So the vice director didn't remember Fang Tian nor that such a person existed! Although Fang Tian's detention procedures were forged, the details were real. Thus, the new director naturally didn't notice the problems with them. That's how he was being

kept here until now.” Dong Jun shook his head. “Besides, Fang Tian was crazy since the time he got in. He didn’t want to speak up for himself so what else can we do?”

Another person framed because of a woman. Damn it. Just like me! Yang Ming couldn’t help but be indignant when he thought of this!

As for Dong Jun, he unexpectedly smirked as he watched Yang Ming leave.

Night time was the open activities period where all the prisoners can watch TV in the detention hall. Besides the normal news on TV, of course, there were some patriotism education videos. This was attractive for the prisoners that didn’t have any other entertainment.

Yang Ming followed Bao Sanli’s gang to the detention hall. Even before they reached the hall, they already heard the hustle and bustle of shouts.

“Son of a bi\*\*\*, don’t you know this is my, Brother De’s, seat?”

“F\*\*\* you, Brother De. Who knows about you?”

“F\*\*\*, This kid is really good at talking. Brothers, let’s loosen his bones and let him enjoy it!”

“No problem, Brother De! You just have to watch! Hehe, kid, our loosening bone technique is the same as a normal massage. If we break your bones, don’t blame us! We have warned you beforehand!” However, for them, it made no difference between saying and not saying anything.

Bao Sanli heard the argument and immediately he said to Yang Ming, “Not good. It’s Yu Lei!”

Yang Ming knew gang fights were normal in the detention center, but he didn’t expect it on the first day. When he thought of Bao Sanli’s attitude when they first met, he was relieved. The prisoners all thought they were superior here. It was normal to have arguments.

Yang Ming, Bao Sanli, and Qi Wenrui pushed through the crowd and came to the center of detention hall. Yang Ming saw five physically strong men punching a man. He must be the Yu Lei that Bao Sanli spoke of.

Although Yu Lei was fighting back, it was impossible to fight against five people! It wasn’t even fighting back but more like defending himself.

“How dare you touch my brother!” Bao Sanli saw that Yu Lei was getting beat up, so he couldn’t hold himself back and directly rushed into the fight. Qi Wenrui saw that Bao Sanli was up for the fight so he naturally followed him.

However, these five people were incomparable to the Health Bureau people. These five people were similar to Bao Sanli; they were veterans in fighting. The situation became better after Bao Sanli and Qi Wenrui got in, but it was still one-sided.

Yang Ming shook his head; he knew that he must help them! The prisoners here were usually in groups, and Bao Sanli was the only friend he knew. Although Bao Sanli and he are like brothers, if he didn't help this time, after the incident, Bao Sanli might hold a grudge against him! Besides, if he had to stay there for a long time and chose the wrong organization, he might not have any more peaceful days!

While he contemplated, Yang Ming walked toward a man who planned to backstab Bao Sanli immediately. Yang Ming grabbed the man's collar and kicked his back. The back is one of the weak spots in the human body. The person fell to the floor and couldn't get up after the strike. He probably would have to spend the rest of his life in a wheelchair!

They were cruel. Yang Ming was even crueler than them! During the days when Su Ya had left him and he became desperate, Yang Ming numbed himself by being mad. The punks literally called Yang Ming as 'Mad Yang' in private.

When Yang Ming fought outside, he would be more conservative because he worried about injuring people too much. However, Yang Ming was more relaxed in the detention center. Yang Ming thought his behavior was reasonable because he was bewitched by those Hong Kong dramas and thought that fights between prisoners were always deadly. Actually, if you kill a person in the detention hall, you still have the legal liability. It wasn't an easy task to judge the responsible person in a gang fight.

Therefore, Yang Ming was deadly with the first strike and the man was lying on the floor before he could react. The pain on his backbone was so intense that he couldn't even get up.

Chapter Notes:

[1] An ancient grand thief in the Chinese context is like our Robin Hood in the Western context.

[2] Vegetarian here is used to associate with a monk who is usually known to be kind, forgiving, generous and does not retaliate.

Chapter 43: Why Is It Him?

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With the addition of Yang Ming, the opponents were quickly crushed. Lastly, the arrogant Brother De wasn't spared. As he was the person trash talking in the situation, Yang Ming stepped on his face. The fellow fainted on the spot.

Aside from the injury on the lumbar spine, there were other visible injuries. Bao Sanli pointed at Brother De who had a collapsed nose and was unconscious on the ground. He admired Yang Ming as he said, "Brother. No, Brother Yang. I submit. You are truly ruthless! No wonder the fellow, Old Chicken [1], was killed by you!"

It was only at this moment that Bao Sanli truthfully submitted to Yang Ming! The calling of "Brother Yang" in this case was more sincere than the earlier pretense!

The prisoners on the scene were mostly from the underworld. The moment they heard that Ji Shuisheng was murdered by Yang Ming, most of them couldn't help but be intimidated. Their gazes upon Yang Ming were filled with awe.

"The prison guard is coming!" No one knew who shouted it but those in the scene immediately stood in order and opened a path.

"What happened? Who was involved in the fight?" Prison guard Zhang held a baton and asked with a darkened face.

Yang Ming, Bao Sanli, Qi Wenrui and Yu Lei stepped forward.

Prison guard Zhang asked, "What is your name?"

"Yang Ming."

"Bao Sanli."

"Qi Wenrui."

"Yu Lei."

Yang Ming? Prison guard Zhang thought to himself, he is actually Yang Ming! Captain Chen wanted me to take care of you. It never crossed my mind that you could take care of yourself!

Actually, Captain Chen felt that Yang Ming wasn't a bad fellow. He was afraid that Yang Ming would be bullied by the other prisoners in the detention center. He especially asked a favor from his old schoolmate, Prison guard Zhang.

"What happened?" Prison guard Zhang had a slightly eased expression. If the one who got beaten up was Yang Ming, he would get complaints from his old schoolmate.



Bao Sanli said, "Reporting in, Yu Xiangde saw that Yang Ming was new and came looking for trouble. We were in one team thus we fought with them!"

Looking for trouble? Yang Ming was bewildered. It was a fight between Yu Xiangde and Yu Lei. We were just here to help. How had it turned into a bullying case on Yang Ming! There were a lot of people at the scene, would the prison guard know the truth after several questions?

Yang Ming wanted to say something but Bao Sanli gave him a wink. Yang Ming shut his mouth.

Prison guard Zhang nodded his head after hearing those words. He believed seventy percent of the story. It was a common occurrence where an old prisoner bullied a new prisoner without proper reason! It was beyond a reasonable doubt. Prison guard Zhang asked the other prisoners, "Is it the case, everyone?"

Prisoners quickly shook their head and spoke, "We aren't sure. It probably is the case?"

Yang Ming was previously feeling uncertain. No wonder Bao Sanli wasn't nervous when he lied. It wouldn't be possible to be exposed! He never knew that the prisoners would always distance themselves when it was none of their business. There wouldn't be anyone to come testify on any matter especially when they saw how ruthless Yang Ming was. They were afraid of the repercussions later on.

Prison guard Zhang knew the eyewitnesses would act dumb. He didn't dig further but spoke to the other prison guards behind him, "Check if they are injured. If they are, deliver them to the infirmary office. Also, shut those who are fine in solitary confinement!"

The strange thing was that nothing happened to Yang Ming, Bao Sanli, and company. They were sent back to their respective cells.

Yang Ming was feeling uncertain as he asked, "Brother Bao, why would you say that Yu Xiangde bullied me?"

Bao Sanli explained, "Hehe, Brother Yang, you're new here. You don't know the rules of this place. If it was about fighting for seats, both sides would be held responsible. On the other hand, it would be their full responsibility if we reported them bullying us as the new prisoners or else, we will be sent to the enclosed cell!"

Yang Ming asked, "Aren't you afraid that they will report us after they wake up?"

Bao Sanli laughed as he spoke, "They wouldn't be able to. They will shoulder the blame for sure! In prison, prisoners need to resolve everything with their own strength. Those who rat out will be looked down upon by all the other prisoners! Unless Yu Xiangde

didn't want to stay in the underworld any longer, he would not do something so embarrassing!"

Yang Ming also laughed. So there was such a rule in this place. It seemed that Yu Xingde was out of luck this time!

On the next day, people nearby naturally opened a path for Yang Ming wherever he walked in the cafeteria during the breakfast period. Yang Ming was just like a prison tyrant in a movie.

In the past, the detention hall was led by Yu Xiangde and Bao Sanli. They usually didn't collide with each other. No one knew what kind of medicine Yu Xiande ate to have caused him to beat Bao Sanli's man yesterday. The beating wasn't serious but rather the balance of power had been broken. A new figure named Yang Ming arrived at Bao Sanli's detention hall. Bao Sanli treated him as the tyrant of detention hall.

Ever since yesterday's incident, Bao Sanli addressed Yang Ming as Brother Yang. Of course, it was the same for Qi Wenrui and Yu Lei.

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The Police Department of Song Jiang City.

Lin Zhiyun shook her head as she spoke, "Police officer Xia, I... I don't want to see that person anymore..."

Xia Xue replied, "No, before sending this case off to court, the last step for you is to verify the identity of the crime suspect!"

Lin Zhiyun said, "However, even if I go, I couldn't recognize him. During the moment, he... me that time. I was quite afraid to open my eyes. Later on, I fainted..."

Xia Xue explained, "Never mind, this is just a procedure. It needs to be done. According to the scenario of the case, the suspect was arrested at the crime scene. Even though you can't recognize him, the court would still declare him guilty!"

Thus, Lin Zhiyun went to the detention hall of Song Jiang City accompanied by Xia Xue and Chen Fei.

Prison guard Zhang opened the cell door and said to Yang Ming, "Yang Ming! Come out!"

Afterward, Yang Ming was brought to a room separated by glass. The glass was unidirectional where people on one side could see Yang Ming but Yang Ming couldn't see the other side of a mirror.

Yang Ming heard from Bao Sanli that if they were brought for identification by the eyewitness, they would be sent to court soon. In fact, Yang Ming wished to have this moment come sooner. Rather than staying in this place, he wanted to be imprisoned. That way every day counted to his sentence. Staying here was just wasting time because it didn't count at all.

When Lin Zhiyun saw Yang Ming on the other side of the glass, she couldn't help but scream, "Why is it him?"

Chapter 44: Girlfriend?

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"Do you recognize him?" Xia Xue thought Lin Zhiyun remembered the incident.

Lin Zhiyun nodded. Her heart was like someone had knocked down a few flavor bottles; Sour, sweet, bitter, hot, and salty tastes were all infused. How could it be him? Lin Zhiyun didn't quite believe her eyes. Initially, she wanted to sell herself to him to make three thousand yuan, but then he gave her about four thousand yuan. Not only did he not want her but he also asked her not to go to that place again!

He's a good guy. Why would he rape me? I have already delivered myself to him and he didn't want it. Now he wanted to turn around and rape? Lin Zhiyun was confused. If she didn't mix things up, this guy must be crazy!

"That day... The one who did this to me, was this guy?" Lin Zhiyun thought that the procedures here could be similar to what was shown on film where they first presented some random strangers who were totally unrelated to the case to confuse her.

"Yes, is there any problem?" Chen Fei was sensitive enough to notice it. It seemed that Lin Zhiyun knew Yang Ming! This way, it could actually be beneficial to Yang Ming!

Lin Zhiyun shook her head. Suddenly, she remembered that Xia Xue had told her some things, about how Yang Ming was framed by another person! At that time she was filled with anger and sadness, she didn't even care about what Xia Xue said. Now that she reflected on it, she remembered!

That was the case! Lin Zhiyun nodded her head. At this time, her expression toward Yang Ming became much more tolerable. I knew it! He's a good guy!

Initially, before she saw Yang Ming, Lin Zhiyun had cursed this guy many times for bringing her a painful memory that she would never be able to erase. However, once she saw Yang Ming, she didn't really feel much pain, but started worrying about him

instead! She heard that he was just a student. If it was because of this thing that he got sentenced to jail, his future would be ruined!

“Captain Chen, I want... I want... to ask...” Lin Zhiyun clenched her teeth and asked what she was thinking from her heart. “Yang Ming... Can he not be sentenced?”

“What did you say? Not sentence him?” Xia Xue was shocked and confused. “Lin Zhiyun, what are you saying?”

“I am saying... Can you guys just let him go?” Lin Zhiyun said in a really soft tone.

“Lin Zhiyun, if you have decided to stop pursuing it, it is absolutely still possible now. Before we take any legal procedures, this is your right.” Chen Fei looked at Lin Zhiyun and asked, “But, why would you want to do that?” Even though Chen Fei wanted Yang Ming to be fine, but as head of the criminal investigation team, he had to be responsible for the victim.

“I... I... am his girlfriend!” Lin Zhiyun hesitated for a while and made up this sentence! She didn’t really want to share the incident where she had decided to sell herself off. That was really embarrassing.

“This is a sufficient reason! Does this also mean that, previously, you didn’t know that the person who was having sex with you was your boyfriend and all of this was a misunderstanding?” Chen Fei asked.

Lin Zhiyun nodded her head strongly.

“Alright, Xia Xue, bring her back. Change the affidavit and we would be able to let Yang Ming go.” Chen Fei let out a sigh of relief. If he knew this would be the case, he should have let Lin Zhiyun meet Yang Ming earlier.

Even though Chen Fei knew that the reason was pretty far-fetched, since the victim had decided this way, he didn’t really have to do anything else! Moreover, he could see from Lin Zhiyun’s expression that she definitely knew Yang Ming before this. Maybe it was this kind of mutual affection. As he thought about this, Chen Fei felt relieved.

“That... one more thing. The bedsheet that was used as evidence, can you give it to me?” Lin Zhiyun said embarrassingly to Chen Fei.

Chen Fei was astonished, then smiled as he understood. “Alright, we will get Xia Xue to pass it to you soon!”

Xia Xue also smiled as she nodded her head. She understood that a girl would normally value her first time more. That bloodstain on top of the bedsheet was proof that she was a virgin.

Walking out of the gate of the police station, Lin Zhiyun felt a sense of relief as if the burden from the past few days were lifted. Eventually, she still decided not to meet Yang Ming. Even though she could use such an incident to get close to him, she was not the type of person who sought to claim her rewards.

Moreover, she felt that this was what Yang Ming deserved. He spent his money and didn't owe her anything. Even though Lin Zhiyun had a bit of affection towards Yang Ming, she didn't want to use this case to make Yang Ming responsible for her. She felt like she was already a girl who sold herself before. She was no longer a proper lady and wouldn't be a match to Yang Ming.

"My girlfriend?" Yang Ming couldn't understand. When did he have a girlfriend that popped up out of nowhere? Even if he had one, it should be Chen Mengyan! Unless she's Su Ya? Can't be. Yang Ming recalled the look of that girl. Even though he couldn't remember clearly due to the alcohol, he knew that she definitely wouldn't be Su Ya unless she had plastic surgery.

After he walked out of jail, Yang Ming was still confused so he went to Captain Chen to understand this situation.

Yang Ming never thought that he would be released in a day's time. When he was walking away, Bao Sanli didn't want to part ways with him. He had really taken Yang Ming as his good brother. Yang Ming promised him that once he was out, they would still be in contact with each other.

Yang Ming didn't cast aside a person like Bao Sanli. Once upon a time, he was very much like them. They had done many things like extortion, blackmail, and fighting. They just didn't get involved with more serious crimes.

Yang Ming believed that everyone who came out as a punk would have their own reasons and challenges. If there were another choice, they wouldn't have picked such a dangerous route.

Some were there to release their anger; some were there to fill their stomach. Of course, there were the stupid kids who came out to be punks just because they thought it was cool. They were a different matter.

When Yang Ming went to jail, he arrived in the police car. Now that he was out of the jail, he intended to take the bus back but the problem was that he didn't have any coins on him.

With no choice, Yang Ming could only walk toward the city area. The prison was at the outskirts of the city, therefore, there was not even a taxi available. When Yang Ming was about to complain, a police car stopped beside him.

The police car's window was rolled down. Chen Fei extended his head and said, "Come on in Yang Ming! I will give you a ride back!"

"Captain Chen?" Yang Ming was a bit surprised but also was really touched. He wasn't related to Captain Chen, yet Captain Chen had regarded him highly!Th.ê most

"Come on in! Once I have dropped you back home, I still need to go back to the police station! I purposely came for you since I knew that no one was coming to fetch you." Chen Fei smiled as he spoke.

"Thank you, Captain Chen!" Yang Ming nodded his head and boarded the police car.

#### Chapter 45: A Man's Commitment

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"Captain Chen, why was I suddenly released without any charges?" Yang Ming doubtfully asked, "What was it about the 'girlfriend' that you mentioned in the phone call?"

"Be honest with me. The girl that you forced yourself on that day, do you know her?" Captain Chen asked.

"She seemed familiar but I don't know her." Yang Ming said the fact.

Chen Fei nodded his head, "Initially, she came to identify her perpetrator but once she saw you she decided to drop the charges and said that you were her boyfriend!"

"I'm her boyfriend?! Yang Ming couldn't really understand. "What's her name?"

"Lin Zhiyun," answered Chen Fei. "Are you sure you don't know her?"

Yang Ming shook his head. None of the people he knew had this name. People with the surname Lin was rare. From the time Yang Ming was in kindergarten, he hadn't seen a person with this name.

"What does she do? Where does she stay? Let me find her to understand the situation." Yang Ming didn't really understand why this Lin Zhiyun would change her mind at the final moment.

"Sorry, the police can't provide you that information." Chen Fei shook his head.

Yang Ming smiled understandably and understood that if Chen Fei didn't have the victim's permission, he wasn't allowed to disclose this private information.

"Young man, I believe that after you have gone through this experience you would have matured a bit. In the future, please be careful. Don't step on other people's toes again! This is a complicated society!" Chen Fei told Yang Ming when he dropped him off at the apartment unit area near his house.

"I understand, Captain Chen. Thank you very much!" Yang Ming gave a bow to Chen Fei after he got out of the car.

"Young man, call me Uncle Chen. Even though I have a good impression of you, I really don't want to see you again at the police station!" Chen Fei smiled as he waved to Yang Ming and restarted the engine.

"Understood, Uncle Chen!" Yang Ming hesitated for a while then he told Chen Fei, "Uncle Chen, I have something that I would like to ask you as a favor..."

"Haha, young man, what's the problem? Tell me. Since you call me Uncle Chen, anything that Uncle Chen can help with, I will help!" Chen Fei smiled as he said this.

"It's like this, Uncle Chen..." Yang Ming shared the case that he learned in the jail the other day.

"Really? If it is the truth, then it was an oversight in our job! This time it isn't that I'm helping you, but you are helping us to notice our problem!" Chen Fei thoughtfully said, "Once I am back, I will go and investigate this case from beginning to end!"

Yang Ming felt a sense of relief because he knew that Chen Fei was a responsible person. Yang Ming watched Chen Fei's car as he drove out of the city, then turned around to go up to the house.

When Yang Ming arrived home, he realized that he didn't have his keys. Before he went to the detention center, all of his belongings including his pocket-money, keys and Zippo lighter were taken home by his father.

Yang Ming was hopeful as he knocked on the door.

"Who is it?" Yang Ming's father's voice came out of the house.

"Dad, it's me, open the door quick." Yang Ming answered.

Bzz and the anti-theft door was unlocked. Father Yang looked at his son cautiously, then he looked behind Yang Ming for a while and asked, "Where's the police?"

“What police?” Yang Ming was surprised by the question. How did Father Yang know that he was sent back by the police?

“Then, how did you come back? Did you... escape from jail?” Father Yang stared at Yang Ming for a long time and he couldn’t help but ask.

“Escape from jail!?” Yang Ming didn’t know whether he should cry or laugh. “Dad, did you watch too many American movies? How is it so simple to escape from a jail?! Moreover, why would I need to do that? I was sent back home!”

“Sent you back home? Then, aren’t they afraid of you running away?” Father Yang thought that the police was giving Yang Ming a holiday to visit his family members.

“Dad, why am I still running away? I was released!” Yang Ming explained.

“Released. How could this be?” Father Yang was obviously unconvinced.

“Dad, let’s stop standing in the doorway. Let’s enter the house and talk. If our neighbor saw us like this, they would be asking what had happened!” Yang Ming pushed Father Yang back into the house.

“Okay, let me see how you explain it to me. If there were any questionable explanations, I will personally drop you back to the police station!” Father Yang nodded his head.

Once they were at home, Yang Ming first got himself a big glass of water. Then, he sat on the sofa to explain everything to his father.

“You are saying that the girl suddenly decided to drop her charges?” Father Yang was surprised and asked, “Why?”

“Dad, even the police officer who was responsible for this case, Uncle Chen, couldn’t understand why.” Yang Ming couldn’t help but shake his head.

“Does this mean that it’s possible that the girl knew that you were framed by someone, and decided that it wasn’t fair for you to be jailed?” Father Yang made his conclusion.

“That is possible.” Yang Ming nodded his head because he also couldn’t think of any other explanation.

“Ai! What a nice girl. Big Ming, do you know where that girl is from? You had already treated her like this. How would she be able to marry another guy in the future? Let’s do this instead. You find that girl, discuss with her family members, then we will have both of you engaged so that we are responsible to their family members!” said Father Yang and he sighed. Father Yang was still an elder with the elder generation’s thinking that once a girl had a relationship with a guy she wouldn’t be able to marry someone else in the future. However, what century are we in? Who else held this kind of belief? In the



present situation, the girl was obviously hiding from Yang Ming. Maybe she didn't really like him!

"Dad, it's not that I don't want to find her, but... she didn't leave a way for us to contact her. I asked Captain Chen but he didn't tell me anything in order to protect her privacy!" said Yang Ming feeling slightly frustrated. Of course, he also wanted to know who this girl was. If it was possible, Yang Ming also wanted to compensate her!

"Alright, if that's the case, I shall not speak any more of it. But Big Ming, you are now an adult. You should know what being responsible means! If she were to find you in the future for whatever reason, then you have to give your all to help her! Can you do this?" Father Yang looked at Yang Ming and emphasized each word.

"I can." Yang Ming nodded his head seriously. This was Yang Ming stating his first commitment as a man.