

The Beloved 53

Chapter 53: Old Acquaintance

Chu Liyuan looked at Jian Dan and his Adam's apple bobbed. Just then, Li Jing's voice emanated from the phone. "Mr. Chu, there's an urgent document that needs your signature."

"Later. I'm very busy now. Don't disturb me," Chu Liyuan said.

Then, he carried Jian Dan to the rest area—pressed the remote control on the coffee table—and pinned Jian Dan under him...

Jian Dan never expected that Chu Liyuan would get it on with her right there in the office.

After the vigorous "exercise" last night, Jian Dan returned to school exhausted the next day. She was walking on campus when she suddenly heard someone calling her. She turned around and saw... "Xia Mengjiao?" Jian Dan called out.

"Jian Dan!" Mengjiao ran to Jian Dan, beaming.

Xia Mengjiao was Jian Dan's junior high school classmate. They even went to high school together. However, Jian Dan did not finish her first year of high school and went straight to college. After that, they did not see each other again.

"I saw you in class yesterday," Xia Mengjiao said excitedly. "How long has it been since we last saw each other?"

In junior high, the two of them were very chummy. After they went their separate ways, they still kept in touch. It was only a year ago that for some reason, Mengjiao stopped contacting her.

"Yeah! I haven't seen you since I went to college?" Jian Dan said with a smile.

Xia Mengjiao hugged Jian Dan's arm as she walked. "Yeah! It's been so long. You're already in your fourth year. I'll have to call you 'senior'." Xia Mengjiao teased.

As they chatted and laughed, the two of them arrived at the classroom. Xia Mengjiao found a seat and sat down. Jian Dan was on the podium preparing the teaching materials for today's lesson.

After the class ended, the two of them agreed to eat hotpot together at night... After that, Jian Dan continued to train... Jian Dan's standing long jumps and sit-ups were barely passable. As for the 50m and 800m sprints, she had been unable to pass at all.

Jian Dan was training when someone suddenly appeared beside her...

Jian Dan looked at Ling Xiaoyang curiously. "Are you here to train too?"

Ling Xiaoyang looked at Jian Dan and said with a smile, "Your training ain't gonna cut it."

"Huh?" Jian Dan stopped what she was doing and looked at Ling Xiaoyang.

"I'm an athlete. All sports are a piece of cake for me. If I help you, I guarantee that you'll pass," Ling Xiaoyang suggested to Jian Dan.

Jian Dan looked at Ling Xiaoyang hesitantly. "Can you really help me to pass?" "You don't believe me?" Ling Xiaoyang asked when he saw Jian Dan's disbelief.

Ling Xiaoyang picked up a basketball in the ball cart and hit a long shot. Surprise was written all over Jian Dan's face because it was an incredible shot; it was a near full-court heave, far beyond the three-point line.

Jian Dan thought to herself that she had been training for so long without any improvement. From the looks of it, he seemed to be really good. There did not seem to be any harm in trying.

“Are you sure? It’s not easy to be my teacher. You might find yourself wanting to bash your head against the wall.” Jian Dan knew herself very well.

“Are you doubting my ability?”

“No, no! I just don’t have much confidence in mine.” Jian Dan smiled awkwardly.

“Just trust me,” Ling Xiaoyang said confidently.

Ling Xiaoyang looked at Jian Dan’s smiling face, and his heart beat unusually fast...

Ling Xiaoyang had had so many girlfriends, but he had never had such a feeling. For some reason, he had an unknown fascination with Jian Dan. Jian Dan was not the kind of beauty who would dazzle people at a glance. She could only be considered sweet-looking, but Ling Xiaoyang fell for her at first sight.

Ling Xiaoyang knew his parents’ love story very well, but he always felt that his father was exaggerating. After all, he had been in so many relationships himself. But now that it had really happened to him, he finally understood his father’s feelings back then.

In order to facilitate future contact, the two of them added each other on WeChat. After that, Jian Dan left first...

When Jian Dan arrived at the campus gate, Xia Mengjiao was already waiting there. “I’m sorry for making you wait. Have you been here long?” Jian Dan said apologetically.

“I just arrived. Let’s go!” Xia Mengjiao waved her hand.

The two of them arrived at a hotpot place near the campus.

As they ate, the two of them reminisced about from junior high.

“Mengjiao, is your brother also in J University?” Jian Dan asked.

Xia Mengjiao’s expression suddenly changed. After a long time, she said, “No!”

“Oh! That’s right. He wants to be a lawyer, so he should be in law school, right?” Jian Dan said.

“Yes... Yes..” Xia Mengjiao said in a rather weird tone.

Jian Dan could tell that Xia Mengjiao did not want to say too much, so she did not ask further. After the meal, the two of them went their separate ways.

Ever since Mengmeng became Fang He’s manager, she had been very busy. Jian Dan had not seen her in a long time. Coincidentally, Mengmeng was free this weekend, so the two of them went shopping.

“Mengmeng!” Jian Dan gave Mengmeng a bear hug. “Long time no see. I miss you so much!” Jian Dan teased.

“Sigh! It can’t be helped! Fang He’s schedule is jam-packed,” Mengmeng explained helplessly.

“Alright, I know you’re busy!” Jian Dan smiled.

The two of them shopped, ate, and even went to the KTV... Before they parted ways, Mengmeng gave Jian Dan two tickets for the premiere of Fanghe’s movie and asked her to bring Chu Liyuan along.

Jian Dan was about to take a cab home when she saw Xia Mengjiao... at a nightclub! Xia Mengjiao was tussling with a drunk man at the entrance of the nightclub. When Xia Mengjiao saw Jian Dan, her face fell and she left quickly.

By the time Jian Dan got there, Mengjiao was long gone. Hence, she suspected that her eyes were playing tricks on her...

The next day—at around nine o'clock—Jian Dan was about to go home from campus when her cell phone rang... When she answered it, Mengjiao's anxious voice emanated from the other end. "Jian Dan, I... All..." Mengjiao's scream emanated from the cell phone.

Jian Dan frowned and asked, "Where are you?"

"I'm at Heaven on Earth," Mengjiao replied.

Heaven on Earth was where Jian Dan saw her last night. Jian Dan immediately felt that something was amiss. She picked up her bag and ran out of the campus...

Jian Dan called Chu Liyuan on the way, but no one picked up. She tried Li Jing, but no one picked up either.

Chu Liyuan was in a meeting with the company's senior management. He left his cell phone in his office.

Jian Dan could only send a message over. She rushed over first... Fortunately, Heaven on Earth was not far from J University and only took five minutes by cab...

Jian Dan dashed into Heaven on Earth. The lighting inside was dim, and a scantily-clad woman was cavorting on the stage. The air reeked with the stench of cigarettes and alcohol, making Jian Dan frown and subconsciously cover her mouth and nose.

Jian Dan only knew the exact location of the washroom after asking one of the staff. Jian Dan was about to go there when she saw Mengjiao being dragged out of the washroom by a man, followed by a group of people.

Jian Dan casually picked up a wine bottle near her and walked over... "Let go of her." Jian Dan suppressed the fear in her heart and said.

"Oh, here comes another hot chick," the leader of the group said.

Jian Dan looked at this group of people with vigilance. "Let Mengjiao go." Jian Dan said again.

"Jian Dan, leave quickly." Xia Mengjiao was very rueful; she should not have called Jian Dan.

"Leave? Haha! It's not your place to meddle in other people's business. Since you're here, don't leave," the leader said lasciviously.

Xia Mengjiao was filled with regret.. She had implicated Jian Dan...