

As Agreed 301

Chapter 301: Livid

Joy got a little bored after playing alone for a while in the room. Seeing that her mom and Uncle Gu didn't return after so long, she opened the door and came out by herself.

She had just walked out when she saw them arguing.

"Mommy, Uncle, you guys can't quarrel, okay? Also, I'll be a very good girl." Joy was a little worried that her Uncle Gu would be scolded because she asked him to buy something for her tonight.

"Don't worry, we're not quarreling. We're just discussing some problems." Gu Shaoting consoled her. How considerate of him.

"Are you talking about how many uncles are pursuing Mommy?" Joy suddenly remembered the question Uncle Gu asked her earlier tonight, the question which she couldn't answer and deferred to her mother.

Gu Shaoting's handsome face instantly froze and turned dark. That line of inquiry was supposed to be a secret between him and Joy.

Who knew that the little traitor Joy would... Sigh, Joy couldn't really be blamed. How would a kid know what to say and what not to say?

Shu Pan's ears were sharp and she heard every word. Could he be any more shameless to ask Joy such questions?

"No, we're talking about something else. Joy, go play with your Barbie doll." Gu Shaoting felt extremely embarrassed.

“Okay.” Joy went back to her room happily.

“Gu Shaoting, what other nonsense did you tell Joy?” Shu Pan was so angry with this man today that her blood vessels were about to burst, but he still looked at her innocently.

“Panpan, who did you go out with tonight?” Gu Shaoting face looked a little tense.

Shu Pan snorted lightly. “What does that have to do with you?”

Her reply instantly darkened the man’s face by several shades. “But Panpan, you already have a child. You should be a role model for your daughter instead of dating other men.”

Shu Pan could not help but retort, “I’m finding her a father.”

“Do you really think that her father is dead?” Gu Shaoting was like a lion that was about to pounce, his heart was in turmoil.

“Yeah, he’s dead to me long ago.” Shu Pan stared straight into his eyes, making them darken even more.

Gu Shaoting was livid, but he suppressed his anger.

He knew that Shu Pan said that to provoke him.

“Stop asking around about me.” Shu Pan said as she turned her face away. Damn it!

Gu Shaoting eyes narrowed as displeasure rose in his heart, along with extreme frustration.

However, he still said in a stiff tone, “Panpan, I hope you will give me a fair chance. I can guarantee that no one loves Joy as much as I do. I will also protect you more and not let you suffer any harm. I swear on the rest of my life.” Shu Pan didn’t expect him to confess like this, and her face flushed red.

Her emotions were all over the place. This man really dared to say anything. She would wait until his actions proved his words.

“We’ll talk about that later, but I make my own decisions in my life. Don’t interfere.” Shu Pan couldn’t be bothered to refute, so she could only say this even when she felt a little out of breath.

In an instant, a certain man was furious again.

Endure! Endure! Endure! Gu Shaoting kept repeating this word in his heart.

At the sight of Gu Shaoting’s gloomy face, Shu Pan couldn’t be bothered with him anymore. She snorted and said, “I’m not talking to you anymore. I’m going to check on Joy.”

Gu Shaoting pulled at a button on his shirt as he watched Shu Pan walk away. His whole body felt hot and uncomfortable from all that anger..

Chapter 302: Wishing That He’s Daddy

Joy was playing happily in her room. When she saw Shu Pan come in, she hugged her quickly and said, “Mommy, look, this Peppa Pig toy is so cute.”

Joy revealed an innocent smile.

It had been a really long time since Shu Pan saw Joy so happy.

“Mommy, can we sleep here tonight? It’s already dark. What if we run into bad people on our way home?” To stay the night, Joy racked her brains and finally came up with this idea.

Shu Pan looked at the large room that was filled with all kinds of toys. Judging from the quality, they were all bought from specialty stores. She was speechless. This man couldn't be more unrestrained when spoiling a child...

"Mommy, Uncle said that he has a small villa with a big garden. He wants to build a kennel for me so I can keep a puppy. He also said that he will build me a swing." Joy told her another exciting thing.

Shu Pan was even more speechless now. She squatted down, looked at Joy, and said, "Sweetie, even if Uncle Gu is richer than Mommy, you shouldn't make him buy you things. You need to cherish what he has bought you, but you can't just ask Uncle to buy you whatever you want. This is not right, understand?"

"Mommy, I understand. I won't do it again." The little girl clearly realized her mistake.

"Alright, since it's already bought, you can play with it for a while. Mommy will watch you. If you want to sleep here, we'll sleep here for a night. Just one night because this isn't out home, understand?" Shu Pan patted Joy's little head to comfort her.

Sigh, men and women spoil their children in different ways.

Men would never think too much. They would just think that they were rich and could afford to buy whatever toy the child wanted.

"Alright, I'll play for a while more before we shower and sleep." Joy clapped happily.

For Joy's smile, Shu Pan would really do anything.

Shu Pan watched Joy play and couldn't help but think about what Gu Shaoting said just now. What did he mean?

Did he think that she was dating other men? But what did that have anything to do with him?

This man was becoming more and more controlling. It was none of his business who she was or wasn't dating.

It was so baffling.

Shu Pan saw that Joy was getting tired after playing for a while. She was about to take her into the bathroom for a shower when Gu Shaoting walked in.

He looked like his usual gentlemanly and elegant self again.

"Joy won't go home tonight. She wants to sleep here." Shu Pan said helplessly.

"That's great. Joy, you can stay here as long as you want. Uncle is so happy." Gu Shaoting finally smiled for the first time today.

Gu Shaoting looked at Shu Pan and said gently, "Joy has a change of clothes in her backpack. Your clothes are still in the closet."

It was as if the angry exchanges between the two of them earlier were nothing but an illusion.

Gu Shaoting helped Joy get her clothes, and Shu Pan took Joy into the bathroom.

In the bathroom, the little girl sang as she played with water. She was very happy.

Shu Pan applied some shower gel on Joy's body. Then, she asked, "Joy, do you like Uncle Gu?"

"Yes. It would be great if he was my Daddy." Joy looked a little disappointed after she said that.

Shu Pan knew that her daughter liked Gu Shaoting, but she didn't expect her to like him to that extent.

After Joy showered, Shu Pan helped her get dressed and carried her to the princess bed.

“Joy, you sleep first. Mommy still needs to take a shower.” Shu Pan patted her little butt..

Chapter 303: A Little Nervous

Gu Shaoting walked in when Shu Pan said that.

“You go shower. I’ll watch Joy.”

Shu Pan nodded and walked to the guest room.

The guest room was still the same as before. Even the pillows and bedsheet were the same. Shu Pan was a little stunned.

She opened the closet and saw all the clothes that she had left behind neatly packed inside. Shu Pan felt quite emotional.

After all the ups and downs, who would have thought that she would still come back here and even spend the night?

She took out a set of pajamas and walked into the bathroom.

Shu Pan took about ten minutes to shower.

She suddenly felt a little regretful for letting Gu Shaoting watch Joy. If she went back to Joy’s room in her pajamas now, wouldn’t she meet Gu Shaoting?

But she would be in her pajamas and that wasn't very nice.

Never mind. There was nothing going on between them now. It was silly and a little late to bother with this kind of thing now.

As some water had gotten onto her hair when she was showering, she untied her hair when she came out of the shower.

She looked at her reflection in the mirror. Her face was fair against her jet black hair. Her eyes were very bright, like they had been washed. Her nose was delicate and she looked extremely beautiful.

As she approached Joy's princess room, she saw Gu Shaoting sitting in bed reading a book with Joy.

Gu Shaoting knew the moment Shu Pan walked into the room because she smelled the fragrance of her shower gel.

It was so strange. They used the same shower gel at home but why did it smell so good on Shu Pan? And smelled like nothing after he used it?

His mind wandered off thinking about this problem that he forgot what he was doing.

"Uncle, you are telling it wrong." Joy had no choice but to remind him that Uncle Gu wasn't very bright for telling such a simple story wrong.

Shu Pan walked in and said, "You go and rest. I'll accompany Joy."

Shu Pan glanced at the man lying in bed on his side. He looked lazy but very cool.

Shu Pan unconsciously pursed her lips and walked towards the bed. Her eyes inadvertently met his deep gaze.

Shu Pan felt a little nervous, and her heart was thumping. Why was she behaving like a young girl who had just fallen in love?

Gu Shaoting looked at her conservative pajamas in satin and fluttering long hair. She was attractive in a different way now.

Gu Shaoting felt a little troubled. When he saw Shu Pan approach the bed, he quickly sat up and got out of bed.

Joy had been expecting her mommy to accompany her, so she didn't pay attention to Uncle Gu.

Shu Pan couldn't be bothered with Gu Shaoting. Seeing that he had gotten up, she just lay down on the same spot. There was still some residual warmth and a faint masculine scent where he lay.

Joy was very excited today that could sleep in such a beautiful princess bed. She snuggled up in her mother's arms as her mother gently stroked the back of her head.

Joy blinked and began to feel sleepy.

Gu Shaoting couldn't get enough of watching the mother and daughter. Yes, these two were his treasures, the people he loved dearly.

Gu Shaoting watched Shu Pan gently coax the child to sleep and found her flushed face from nervousness especially interesting. He knew that she was a little shy. How long had it been since he saw this side of her?

It was as if seeing her nervous and helpless gave him an inexplicable sense of accomplishment.

Shu Pan couldn't help but glare at him. Why wouldn't this man go back to his room to sleep? Was it fun for him to watch them sleep like this?

Worried that Shu Pan would get angry, Gu Shaoting didn't dare to stay for long..

Chapter 304: To Be Together

As Joy was falling asleep, Shu Pan naturally couldn't make a sound. She wouldn't want to wake Joy up...

But perhaps Gu Shaoting felt that Shu Pan was about to get angry, so he reluctantly left Joy's room.

After returning to his own bedroom, Gu Shaoting couldn't calm down for a long time. He'd probably get no sleep tonight knowing that his beloved woman and baby were sleeping next door.

How nice would it be if the three of them could live together like this?

He must think of a way.

Now that he knew that he had more than one love rival, he would have to work even harder or someone else would beat him to it. He wouldn't allow such a scenario to happen.

But what should he do? An opportunity like tonight was too rare. He bit his lip, quickly picked up his pajamas and went to take a shower.

Shu Pan finally heaved a sigh of relief when she saw Gu Shaoting walk out.

At this time, Joy turned in bed cooperatively to occupy a space nearer to the edge. Shu Pan immediately moved closer to her, leaving a space wide enough for one other person next to her so she could turn more easily.

Shu Pan was getting sleepy when she suddenly felt the mattress sink behind her. The man simply lifted the blanket and lay down beside her.

Shu Pan's body instantly tensed up as she asked softly, "What are you doing?"

The man had already lay down beside her with his body almost touching hers. He didn't move and just looked straight at her.

Good heavens! Shu Pan felt like she was about to go crazy. This world was nuts and this person was too bold.

She was now sandwiched between her daughter and Gu Shaoting. She wanted to get up, but he was so close that she couldn't move.

Suddenly, Gu Shaoting pulled her into his arms.

"Gu Shaoting, are you nuts? Do you know what you are doing?" He had never done anything overboard with her since they met again.

That was why she felt safe enough to stay the night. She wanted to give Joy a happy night.

"Panpan, I won't do anything. I respect you. I just want to be with you two." Gu Shaoting said.

"You must be nuts. How are you going to explain to Joy when she wakes up and sees you lying here?" Gu Shaoting was discouraged when Shu Pan played the Joy card.

In the limited space, Shu Pan turned with some difficulty to face him and then warn him not to do anything rash.

Perhaps their voices disturbed Joy.

Joy turned in bed and moved towards the center. The 1.8-meter bed didn't look spacious with three people in it.

Gu Shaoting's thoughts were pure. He really didn't plan to do anything. He just wanted to treasure the rare opportunity to be so close to the mother and daughter.

He just wanted everyone to be together, nothing more. He had lost moments like this before and he got a chance now to make up for it. He was so happy.

But Shu Pan didn't think so. She felt aggrieved because all she saw was Gu Shaoting not caring about her feelings. The two of them were no longer together and she wasn't into casual sex.

Shu Pan finally had a chance to turn in bed, but Gu Shaoting's arms around her didn't allow her to do so.

Shu Pan felt her mind go blank. What did Gu Shaoting want?

He was really too much. Shu Pan gave up. She thought about it, felt very aggrieved and tears rolled down her cheeks.

Gu Shaoting was startled and released her immediately.

Shu Pan regained her freedom, but she couldn't stop her tears. Gu Shaoting said anxiously, "Panpan, I'm sorry. Please forgive me. I didn't mean it.."

Chapter 305: An Apology

It took Shu Pan a while to come back to her senses. Her eyes were still wet with tears as she said, "Gu Shaoting, you're such a b*stard. Didn't I tell you to stop?"

"Why didn't you listen?"

Gu Shaoting was like a child, not knowing how to console Shu Pan.

He wished he could knock his head off. What kind of stupid idea was that?

How could someone high-IQ like him come up with such a dirty idea? He must have been possessed.

“Panpan, I won’t do it again.” Gu Shaoting muttered. When he saw that Shu Pan didn’t want to look at him, he left the room.

Shu Pan was both angry and confused at the man’s action just now.

She was angry because he was a b*stard for doing that and confused because she actually felt something.

She was shocked by her own reaction.

Sh*t, she must be crazy.

If she hadn’t cried and Gu Shaoting hadn’t stopped, she couldn’t imagine what would happen next.

Shu Pan’s pursed her red lips tightly. Although the man had left, there was still a warm scent on her body that didn’t belong to her. It lingered around the tip of her nose and burned her body, making her uncomfortable.

Her heartbeat seemed to have lost control too, and she couldn’t calm down for a long time.

She got out of bed and walked quickly to the door. She closed and locked it, not wanting a repeat incident.

Men’s promises were best treated as snake oil; they couldn’t be taken too seriously.

Gu Shaoting didn’t come into the room again that night. He had keys to all the rooms, so there was a way if he really wanted to come in again.

He went back to the master bedroom but if he wanted to sleep, he would have to first douse the fire in his body.

He sat on the edge of his bed and frowned. Shu Pan must be so mad at him now...

Sigh, he seemed to have really messed things up. He scratched his head, then stood up and walked into the bathroom to put out the fire.

The next day...

When Shu Pan was still half asleep, an innocent face had already entered her view.

It turned out that the little girl was already awake and was looking around with her round eyes.

She had probably just woken up and wasn't fully awake yet.

Joy rolled over to face her mother. She propped her chin with one hand and said with a smile, "Mommy, isn't the room that Uncle decorated for me beautiful?"

"Yes. Did you sleep well?" Shu Pan asked casually. Seeing that Joy slept like a piglet last night, she probably slept very well.

"Super well." Joy said exaggeratedly.

"Since you're awake. Let's get up." Shu Pan sat up in bed and rubbed Joy's little head.

"Okay, I'm going to find Uncle Gu." Joy lifted the blanket and was about to get out of bed.

Shu Pan stopped her. "Wait a minute, the floor is cold. Brush your teeth and wash your face first, then get dressed before you go find Uncle, okay?" Shu Pan persuaded.

“Okay.” Joy thought that it made sense and compromised.

“But would Uncle have already left for work?” Joy asked anxiously.

“No, why?” Shu Pan asked curiously. Joy seemed anxious.

“Uncle told me that he’ll bring me to his workplace today.” Joy said proudly.

Shu Pan immediately remembered the notice she received yesterday. Due to the recent flu outbreak, many students were already on sick leave. The kindergarten had to undergo a major disinfection and would be closed today.

Gu Shaoting probably received the notice too when he picked Joy up yesterday.

“What’s so fun about going to Uncle’s workplace?” But on second thought, it wasn’t such a bad idea. Otherwise, she would have to take leave to watch Joy for the day.

Although Gu Shaoting didn’t know that he was Joy’s father, his responsibility remained. She decided to just let him watch Joy for the day.

Moreover, the little girl would not change her mind easily, just like Gu Shaoting..

Chapter 306: Very Impressive

“Uncle said that his workplace is very big and very impressive. I want to go and check it out.” Joy said excitedly. People of the same blood often spoke very similarly.

Shu Pan was slightly speechless. She could only pat Joy's head and say, "Then you can go, but you can't touch Uncle's things or run around, okay? Stay there and read quietly or play with your toys, understand?"

Shu Pan wanted to prepare Joy first. She was worried that Gu Shaoting would spoil the child too much.

"Mommy, don't worry. I'll listen to Uncle. You're so long-winded." The little girl who was already a little rebellious was even more lawless with Uncle Gu backing her up.

"Let's go. We'll go brush our teeth, wash our faces, and change our clothes." Shu Pan got out of bed first and Joy followed her.

After the two of them washed up, and Shu Pan helped Joy get dressed, the little girl ran out to find her Uncle Gu.

Shu Pan opened the closet in the guest room and picked out a floral print dress. The light and elegant pattern matched Shu Pan's temperament very well, but because the fabric was very soft, it was very form-fitting. Shu Pan rarely wore it, so the dress was still very new.

Now that she had limited choices, she would just make do.

Shu Pan's figure was good to begin with. After giving birth, it was even more curvy. She looked even better in this dress now.

When Shu Pan came out, Joy was leaning against Gu Shaoting, telling him about her dreams or something.

Gu Shaoting was a very good listener and had been listening to her seriously. When Gu Shaoting saw Shu Pan walk out from the corner of his eye, he looked up and was stunned.

He had always known that Shu Pan had a good figure, but she looked even more stunning this morning.

Shu Pan felt a little embarrassed from his stare. This Gu Shaoting really didn't know how to restrain his gaze.

She still hadn't settled the score with him for his behavior last night.

Gu Shaoting seemed to have sensed her annoyance and quickly smiled to calm things down.

"Uncle, did you sleep well?" Joy asked with concern when she saw her Uncle Gu in a daze.

"I slept very well, sweetie. How about you?" Gu Shaoting asked with concern.

"I slept very soundly." Joy said proudly.

"Let's go have breakfast. We'll go to the office together later, okay?" Gu Shaoting said to Joy.

"Yay! Uncle, let's send Mommy to work first. I'm worried that Mommy's salary

will be deducted if she's late." Joy frowned, looking very worried.

When Shu Pan heard that, she quickly waved her hand and said, "No need, I'll take a taxi to work."

Shu Pan was already traumatized from last night. She didn't want to be in the same space as him.

"If you don't take my car, you'll be late." Gu Shaoting said sarcastically.

"Mommy, your salary will be deducted if you're late." Joy added, like she was worried that her mother didn't know.

Shu Pan widened her eyes and stared at the two of them speechlessly.

On second thought, it wasn't such a bad idea. Taking a taxi would cost her and she would be late if she took the bus.

"Alright, then Mommy will take Uncle Gut's car to work later." Shu Pan could only agree.

A person who went with the current instead of against it was a wise person.

"Then let's quickly eat breakfast. I'm so hungry." Joy pulled Shu Pan to the dining table.

The table was filled with all kinds of breakfast. Gu Shaoting had ordered food delivery.

"Can the three of us finish all this? You bought so much?" Shu Pan was speechless.

This man was really wasteful.

"Eat whatever you like." Gu Shaoting said indifferently..

Shu Pan patted Joy's head and said, "Joy, go eat breakfast first, okay? I need to talk to Uncle Gu about something."

Joy pursed her lips, then frowned and said unhappily, "Are you guys whispering again? Why do adults like to whisper?"

"We are not whispering. We are having an adult conversation." Shu Pan was a little shocked.

"Alright then, hurry up." Joy sat on the chair and began to eat.

“What’s the matter?” Gu Shaoting felt that Shu Pan wasn’t about to say anything good.

Shu Pan took a deep breath and said to the man who was looking at her, “Joy said that you’re bringing her to the office? Will it affect your work?”

“Why would it? She doesn’t have school today. It’s just nice for me to bring her to my workplace. I’ll bring her home after I’m done with work. You can’t possibly take leave to watch her for the day, right?” Gu Shaoting felt that Shu Pan was worrying for nothing.

“I’m not free today. Our proposal for Su Corporation hasn’t been finalized yet.” Shu Pan felt that she should stop fighting and let him be.

“There’s one other important thing. You mustn’t be handsy with me.” Shu Pan said self-righteously.

Gu Shaoting raised his eyebrows and didn’t say anything.

Shu Pan didn’t understand why he kept quiet.

This person often pretended to be profound.

“I heard you. I can’t touch you with my hands, but I can use my mouth, right?” Gu Shaoting nodded and said rudely.

“What nonsense are you spouting?” Shu Pan felt that Gu Shaoting behaved like a scoundrel sometimes.

“Let’s eat breakfast. We’re going to be late.” Gu Shaoting walked straight to the dining table.

Shu Pan also hurried back to the dining table to eat breakfast. She stole a glance at him and he happened to be chewing elegantly while looking at her. Their eyes met and Shu Pan timidly looked away.

Because that man's profound eyes could easily make people lose themselves.

After breakfast, Gu Shaoting drove a very low-key car from the underground garage, which had basically become Joy's car. Joy hopped into the back and got onto her car seat.

Shu Pan sat in the front passenger seat.

Joy said excitedly, "Let's go."

Shu Pan looked at her and signaled for her to sit back properly.

When Shu Pan turned her head, she saw Gu Shaoting's profile. She had never known a man who looked so good when driving.

He drove like a charming gentleman. His hands on the steering wheel were slender but powerful, and he maneuvered the car steadily and elegantly.

Shu Pan caught just a casual glance but felt her heartbeat accelerate.

For some reason, the scene of him hugging her from behind and kissing her forcefully yesterday appeared in her mind. Shu Pan felt her face burn.

To hide her discomfort, she turned her head to look at the scenery outside, She didn't want him to see the throbbing emotions in her eyes.

Gu Shaoting's car quickly arrived at Shu Pan's workplace. Shu Pan asked him to drop her at the intersection across from the building and she cross the road herself.

Gu Shaoting snorted. What an unnecessary move. Even if he dropped her at the entrance of the building, no one would recognize him.

Everyone was in a hurry in the morning, worried about being late. Who would pay attention to other people?

Gu Shaoting felt that Shu Pan was an alien. If it were any other woman, she would probably tell the whole world because after all, not everyone received such treatment from Gu Shaoting.

But apparently, Mr. Gu was wrong because when he stopped his car at the intersection, people noticed them. As it was working hours, there were more people at the intersection, most of whom were Shu Pan's colleagues..

Chapter 308: Whose Kid Is That?

Gu Shaoting's car was like a road hog, and everyone couldn't help but look in his direction.

Shu Pan wanted to keep a low profile, so she asked him to drop her further away from her office. Who knew that this man had so much difficulty keeping a low profile?

When Shu Pan got out of the car, she got a lot of strange looks from her colleagues, which made her face burn. She carried her bag and walked hurriedly to her office building; she even forgot to say goodbye to Joy and Gu Shaoting.

After Shu Pan disappeared from his sight, Gu Shaoting turned his head and said to Joy, "Mommy's at work. Let's go to my work now."

He then drove to Gu Group. At this time, Gu Shaoting still didn't know what kind of explosive news he would cause by bringing Joy to work.

His and Shu Pan's offices weren't too far apart, so it was quite fast to get there by car.

Gu Group was a leader of industry in Bin City.

Shu Pan got busy very quickly at the office. There was a lot of information to be collated and she needed to prepare everything carefully.

Because of what happened in the morning, rumors about Shu Pan were flying in the office but all she could do was to let out a bitter chuckle. She didn't care much about gossip.

"Shu Pan, there seems to be something you haven't told me today." Tang Wei smiled slyly.

"What do you want to know?" Shu Pan asked as she busied herself with work.

"Everyone is talking about your boyfriend. They say that you two are living together and that he sent you to work this morning." It was such a waste of talent that Tang Wei wasn't a paparazzo.

She could get all kinds of information.

"Would you believe me if I told you that he's just a friend and I just hitched a ride with him?" Shu Pan was too lazy to explain herself.

"Do you have such a good friend who'll give you a ride so early in the morning?" Tang Wei said with a skeptical look on her face.

"Doesn't matter if you don't believe me. Get back to work and stop gossiping."

Shu Pan went to find her director with a pile of documents after she said that.

Tang Wei was left standing on the spot. She stroked her chin and smiled. "As expected, something's up."

Meanwhile at Gu Group, Gu Shaoting caused a commotion at the office lobby by bringing Joy to work.

Everyone found it unbelievable that their CEO brought a child to work today. Moreover, this child looked like him.

Although some tabloids had reported that the CEO had an illegitimate

daughter, the information was never verified.

When people saw him with a little girl now, rumors started flying again. Some people wouldn't believe it and guessed that the little girl was a kid of the CEO's relative.

Obviously, these people didn't know CEO Gu well. Was he the kind of person who would eagerly babysit a relative's kid?

Gu Shaoting ignored everyone and walked into his exclusive elevator holding Joy's hand.

The rest of the people waiting for elevators at the lobby saw that although their CEO Gu was dressed in a suit and leather shoes, he didn't look out of place taking care of a child.

As Gu Shaoting had an early morning meeting, he carried Joy into the conference room, and Joy sat quietly beside him.

Her tiny face that was almost identical to Gu Shaoting's shocked the senior managers in the room, and everyone whispered about it.

Joy was very obedient and didn't make a fuss. She felt that her Uncle Gu was very powerful when he spoke.

Because no one dared to make a sound when her Uncle Gu spoke.

Gu Shaoting was worried that Joy would be bored, so he kept the meeting brief and ended it after hearing everyone's status updates.

Back in his office, Joy didn't dare to run around and sat on the sofa. She remembered her Mommy's words.

"Uncle Gu, you're so impressive. Everyone must listen to you. I want to be like you in the future." Joy made up her mind to learn from her Uncle Gu.

"Then you must study hard so you'll be like Uncle one day." Gu Shaoting took the opportunity to educate her. Actually, his daughter was a princess and didn't need to work too hard.

But he knew that Shu Pan would lecture him if she knew his parenting philosophy. That was why he told Joy so seriously in that teachable moment..

Chapter 309: Mommy's Boss Is a Villain

At noon, Shu Pan was busy drawing when her phone rang.

It was an unknown number. She frowned. Could it be a scam call?

As soon as she picked up, Joy's tender voice sounded.

"Mommy, guess who it is." Joy gave Shu Pan a riddle.

"Who are you? You must have dialed the wrong number." Shu Pan pretended not to recognize Joy's voice.

"Silly Mommy, it's Joy." Joy laughed.

"Joy, whose phone are you using?" Shu Pan saw that the unknown number didn't look like Gu Shaoting's.

“An uncle’s phone.” Joy replied.

“Why do you have another uncle’s phone? Where’s Uncle Gu?” Shu Pan asked in confusion.

“The two uncles are talking.” Joy answered honestly.

“Are you happy today?” Shu Pan asked.

“Yes. Uncle Gu is amazing. Everyone must listen to him.”

“That’s good. Let’s go home tonight. I’ll pick you up after work, okay?” Shu Pan said opportunistically.

“Sure,” Joy agreed readily.

“Mommy, do you want to have lunch with us?” Joy remembered what Uncle Gu asked her to do.

Shu Pan’s heart raced at the thought of Gu Shaoting’s burning gaze.

“Sorry Mommy can’t. I’ll eat with you tonight. I still have work at noon.” Shu Pan comforted Joy. She knew that the little girl would be unhappy.

“Oh, alright then.” Disappointment was obvious in Joy’s voice.

Shu Pan coaxed her for a bit before she hung up.

In Gu Shaoting’s office, Gu Shaoting was having a discussion with He Ming. Joy used He Ming’s phone to call her mother.

When the two adults were almost done talking, Joy put down the phone.

“Uncle Gu, Mommy said she’s busy and won’t be joining us for lunch.” Joy said unhappily.

“Mommy’s boss is a villain. He doesn’t let Mommy out for lunch and gives Mommy so much work to do.” Joy said angrily.

Gu Shaoting was speechless. He didn’t know how he landed in the crossfire. He never asked his employees to work so hard that they couldn’t even have lunch.

“Your mommy is probably busy with something else. Everyone gets to eat and rest at noon.” Gu Shaoting tried to correct her mistake with a four-year-old child.

The little girl was still displeased.

Gu Shaoting’s dark eyes below his straight eyebrows showed a trace of helplessness, but he still maintained a smile in front of Joy and said warmly,

“Then Uncle Gu will treat you to a feast.”

The little girl’s eyes lit up the moment she heard the word “feast”.

Yay! She got to eat delicious food now.

Shu Pan had a simple lunch with Tang Wei at the company cafeteria. Tang Wei still pestered her about what happened in the morning but Shu Pan ignored her.

“Shu Pan, when do you think I’ll meet my Mr. Right?” Tang Wei asked deflatedly while stirring the rice in her bowl with her chopsticks.

“Soon. Don’t worry.” Shu Pan felt that Tang Wei was a little gossipy but she was kind and friendly, and God would treat her well.

She used to complain about fate and the world too, but she got through it in the end.

Life was like this. When God closed a door, He would open a window for you.

They dove back into work after lunch and were busy until past 5 p.m.

Shu Pan looked at the time. She should leave soon.

She planned to go grocery shopping at the market after work. She wanted to cook a delicious meal..

Chapter 310: Peace and Harmony

It was rare for Shu Pan to leave work early. She called Gu Shaoting after she walked out of her office.

“Hello,” Gu Shaoting’s magnetic voice sounded.

“I’m off work. I’m on my way to pick Joy up from your office.” Shu Pan said calmly, straight to the point.

“Okay. I’m still busy.”

After Shu Pan hung up the phone, she took a taxi to Gu Group.

Shu Pan called to inform Gu Shaoting when she arrived. Shortly after, she saw Joy coming out the main entrance.

“Mommy, Mommy...” Joy’s little figure ran out from the office lobby.

Shu Pan quickly caught her and picked her up.

Secretary Zhang, who brought Joy down, smiled and greeted Shu Pan before he went back upstairs.

Shu Pan looked at Joy’s excited face. She was really contented.

“Let’s go home.” Shu Pan smiled at Joy after she said that. She then put her down and held her hand as they went home.

When they were downstairs of their building, Shu Pan remembered that she wanted to go grocery shopping and took Joy to the market.

“Joy, what shall we eat tonight?” Shu Pan consulted Joy.

“Cola chicken wings. My favorite!” Joy made a gluttonous face.

Shu Pan brought her to the market. It was usually quite fast to shop for a meal but because Joy was so happy, they walked around the market a little.

They bought a lot of things and went home only when Shu Pan couldn’t carry anything more.

Shu Pan was cooking in the kitchen and Joy was playing in the living room when the doorbell rang. The tap was running in the kitchen, so Shu Pan didn’t hear it. Joy heard the doorbell and took a small stool to look through the peephole.

It was Uncle Gu. She tried to open the door, but it wouldn’t open. She had to ask her mommy for help.

Shu Pan was slightly speechless when she saw Gu Shaoting. She didn't expect him to come over. Fortunately, she had cooked enough food.

After Gu Shaoting walked in, he smelled the aroma of food in the air and felt a little hungry.

It was such a blissful feeling when someone prepared dinner for you, when the family could spend time together in peace and harmony.

During dinner, Joy kept picking up food for Gu Shaoting, which made Shu Pan a little jealous.

Gu Shaoting enjoyed moments like this. He was thinking how he could make the mother and daughter move in with him. After all, the place they were staying at weren't very safe.

He Ming and Xiao Meng's relationship were getting hot and heavy. They were together every day, but He Ming didn't find it annoying. He was enjoying the process more and more.

He wanted to make things official with Xiaomeng.

That night, after the two of them were done making out, He Ming hugged Xiaomeng and gently pleaded in her ear, "Xiaomeng, tomorrow is the weekend. How about you go home with me to meet my family?"

He Ming clearly felt Xiaomeng stiffen in his arms. "What's wrong?" He Ming asked.

"Oh, nothing, but don't you think it's too soon? I am not mentally prepared at all." Xiaomeng suddenly felt a little nervous. After all, meeting her boyfriend's parents was no child's play.

"There's no need to prepare anything. My parents are very kind people. My mom's greatest wish is for me to get her a daughter-in-law. You're so good. She'll definitely like you. Don't worry." He Ming comforted her.

Xiaomeng got even more nervous when she heard that. "Then should I get them gifts? What do your parents like?"

“You don’t need to get them anything. Just go.” He Ming was ecstatic when Xiaomeng agreed.

“Then we’ll get gifts tomorrow morning and go over at noon. What do you think?” Xiaomeng asked.

“Alright, let’s sleep early then.” He Ming tightened his grip on Xiaomeng.

“Okay, good night.” Ye Xiaomeng closed her eyes and fell asleep in his arms.

He Ming heard calm breathing from his chest and knew that Xiaomeng was asleep, so he fell asleep peacefully too..