

Divine 1071

Chapter 1071: Evilness

Gu Chaoyan was still busy with her own business, so she had not spoken with Zhou Huaijin for the entire afternoon.

However, Zhou Huaijin was not angry. He had a bright smile and thought that Chaoyan in this mood was very lovely too.

He came to Gu Chaoyan, and swept her into his arms. He lowered his head and asked, "Are you still mad at me? It is my fault, but please don't be angry. It makes you age!"

Then he pinched Gu Chaoyan's nose.

Gu Chaoyan shot a glare at him, but didn't stop him.

She was not mad. She was more bashful. She used to be an assassin in her previous life, so she should not get emotionally attached to anyone. She had not felt attached to anyone either. It was not until now that she felt that she had fallen for Zhou Huaijin. However, she was always very bashful when they went close. The bashful feelings made everything awkward. That was why they were like this now.

Luckily, Huaijin still forgave her.

Gu Chaoyan felt a bit moved. She looked up at Zhou Huaijin with a pair of wide eyes. She blinked and said, "We are not yet married. Please don't act this frivolously any more."

Zhou Huaijin nodded seriously while looking contemplative, then he asked. "Then when can we get married?"

Gu Chaoyan glared at him and felt very helpless.

What was he thinking?

She was not speaking about getting married. What was he thinking all this time?

Gu Chaoyan felt very helpless.

She removed herself out of Zhou Huaijin's arms and sat down on the chair, saying seriously, "According to the martial rules of the Saint Divine Land, the two families should have picked a good day for the wedding after the engagement is settled, but we are in a special situation right now. Our mother is not really deceased, but she is, in both the court and the civilians' eyes."

"..."

"So according to the rules, you should stay unmarried for two years before you are allowed to get married."

"..."

"But two years are just the rules, and people normally stay unmarried for three years, to show their resolution and filial piety." Gu Chaoyan finished speaking in a serious tone, then she looked at Zhou Huaijin with a pair of wide eyes.

Zhou Huaijin agreed. That was a rule in the Saint Divine Land, and he was very aware of that, but...

As he looked at how Chaoyan reacted when speaking to him, he felt that Chaoyan was being really evil when she was saying those things to him.

What an unruly girl!

She was his future Princess Consort, yet she was a very evil girl, worse than he was. What was he supposed to do about her? Zhou Huaijin was feeling both annoyed and sweet.

He took the seat next to Gu Chaoyan and looked at her with a very pitiful expression.

Gu Chaoyan was not moved by him, but took a sip of the tea, and looked outside, saying, "It is getting late, I am going to take a bath, please just go back to your room and sleep."

"Okay." Zhou Huaijin looked even more wronged, then he snuck away.

Seeing his retreating figure, Gu Chaoyan smiled and continued to drink the tea.

At the Qianqing Palace.

The King was seated on his chair.

Facing him were the Heads from the Ministry of Rites and the Ministry of Architecture.

Chapter 1072: Endowment

The King looked at these people who showed no expression on their faces. He was even feeling really impatient.

He had been busy with what was going on in the jail since the man in the jail was extremely difficult to deal with. He, as the King, had offered many conditions in exchange, but he still refused to say yes to his request. The King was very distressed by this obstacle. He needed those monsters to use them as his weapons, so he decided to force him to say yes after all.

And those from the Ministry of Architecture and the Ministry of Rites were here about the Elder Prince.

However, the King was not at all interested in doing anything for the Elder Prince, but he could not postpone the whole thing, so he had to make a decision right now.

The King said expressionlessly, "The Elder Prince has spent a few days in the capital after being received by the Min Family. Normally, he should have been granted the title of lord as well as a mansion."

"..."

"As for how the endowment should work, and what the bonus should be, you two will need to make some suggestions."

"..."

"You know pretty well that the Elder Prince has spent the past few years at the border, so since he is now back in the capital, we should be careful about his title and mansion."

“...”

“However, you know who gave birth to the Elder Prince, so the title is a bit difficult to give.”

“...”

“According to your opinions, what should I do about the endowment?”

The King looked at these two and asked.

The officers exchanged a look between themselves and more or less understood what they were thinking.

On one hand, they more or less understood what the King thought of the Elder Prince – he did not care about his whereabouts, because he was asking them so impatiently. Also, if a prince’s fate depended on the ministers of the court, then it basically meant that the Prince meant nothing to the King.

On the other hand, they had to understand how the Crown Prince would feel about the result. The Elder Prince was the oldest prince, so they had to make sure that he was properly granted a title, otherwise the Crown Prince might blame them.

The officer of the Ministry of Rites had a higher position so he spoke first, “In my opinion, the Crown Prince has been endowed, so the Elder Prince should be granted as Lord Yan with the second rank. If he can achieve something good in the future, the decision can be reassessed.”

When he was done, the officer of the Ministry of Architecture added. “As for the mansion... There is one relatively small mansion available that can be used for his mansion. We are in the middle of building the Crown Prince’s mansion as well as the holiday town, so we have no extra people to build a new mansion.”

The King nodded.

“There are many things for the Ministry of Architecture to do this year, and it is not possible to build a new mansion. Since there is a mansion available, it should be enough for him. That will be it.” The King said, “Just let everything happen quickly. No other banquets are needed.”

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The two officers exchanged a look among themselves. They understood clearly what the King meant.

They answered yes.

Since the King said that everything should be simple... the officers would make it even more simple.

So when the imperial order was passed on, some gifts were given to the Elder Prince from the Ministry of Rites whilst people from the Ministry of Architecture accompanied the Elder Prince to move out of the Min Family.

The whole endowment was settled.

The Elder Prince looked at the empty mansion, feeling rather strange.

When Zhou Huaijin and Gu Chaoyan came to greet the Elder Prince, they saw him looking absent-minded in front of the mansion.

Chapter 1073: Shabby

Lord Yan's Mansion was what was scribbled on the board at the gate. The words were not written by the King, but by the head of the Ministry of Rites.

Normally, it should be the King who wrote the board for a lord's mansion, or at least the Empress Dowager or some very respected people from noble families. The calligraphy had to be meaningful, so that it could be called the name for a lord's mansion.

For example, Lord Huai's Mansion.

The board was written by General Jiang, who was the Queen's father and who had made many achievements on the battlefields. So it was totally reasonable when he wrote the words.

And the board by Lord Ling's Mansion was written by the King, which was a great honor for the lord.

Even the board of Lord Yu's Mansion was written by the Queen, though the Empress Dowager was not interested and the King had no intention.

However, Lord Yan's Mansion....

It seemed that only boards that were not good enough for the mansion were written on by the Head of the Ministry of Rites.

Zhou Huaiyan was thinking that if the Head of the Ministry of Rites was not present when the proposal was made, he might not have been able to get qualified enough to receive a board with written characters. Maybe it would have been someone from the Ministry of Rites who scribbled and got it done.

Zhou Huaiyan was very unconvinced.

What was the King doing to bring him back just so that he could be humiliated? Then he sighed.

The humiliation was okay, as long as he was able to be back in the capital. It was always better than at the border. He had not lived the life of a man, let alone as a prince. He had led a life worse than an officer of a county. There was no meaning of living.

Now all that came to the end.

He had his title, and he had his own mansion in the capital. His Princess Consort and his child would have a place to reside.

Good, good.

He should be satisfied with what he got.

That was how Zhou Huaiyan kept persuading himself.

He had a few sparks in his eyes.

Zhou Huaijin and Gu Chaoyan got out of the wagon and saw Zhou Huaiyan staring at his own mansion and his facial expressions kept changing.

“Brother,” Zhou Huaijin called.

Zhou Huaiyan was very startled when he heard a voice. He turned around and saw Zhou Huaijin and Gu Chaoyan.

He had not yet realized who it was.

After a moment, he understood what was going on.

“Oh it is you, Eighth Brother.” Zhou Huaiyan replied calmly.

He and Zhou Huaijin did not have a very close relationship, but they never had a bad one either.

He had been living at the border and had no knowledge of what was going on in the capital, let alone with his brothers.

However, since his Eighth Brother was here... Zhou Huaiyan still replied and said, “Eighth Brother, let’s go in and talk.”

Zhou Huaijin nodded and asked his men to bring some stuff over.

Zhou Huaijin walked and said, “Sister-in-law is still not back in the capital yet, and you are here alone, so I brought Chaoyan to cheer you up.”

Zhou Huaiyan nodded. He looked very baffled, but he said nothing more.

It took them a while before a maid came to serve the tea when they went into the mansion.

That was because Lord Yan’s Mansion did not have enough servants, following the rules.

However, in other mansions...

Chapter 1074: Too Serious

In other mansions, either the King would grant them many servants, or the Ministry of Rites would offer some more. There were never so few servants at a mansion.

However, such a thing happened to Lord Yan’s Mansion, since the Ministry of Rites did not dare to add too many laborers.

The King did not pay attention to the Elder Prince, and the Crown Prince was giving them pressure too. So the Ministry of Rites decided to offend the Elder Prince, who had no rights or power, instead. The Ministry of Rites believed that the Elder Prince could do nothing to them, and even if the Elder Prince made a fuss, they would prove that their actions were legal and sticking to the rules.

Zhou Huaijin felt very annoyed by this undisciplined mansion.

His brother had done nothing wrong. Why was he treated like this?

"Brother, are you really satisfied with your mansion?" Zhou Huaijin asked, as he was frowning.

The tea tasted really terrible.

Lord Yan looked very gloomy, but soon he showed a strange smile and said, "Yes I am."

"..."

"I should be satisfied, shouldn't I? It is much better than how I live at the border."

"..."

"I have been granted a title and I have a mansion of my own. I should have a very good life in the future."

"..."

"I have already got someone to bring your sister-in-law back here. She is pregnant with a baby and it is not right for her to stay at the border. Now that we have our mansion everything should be fine. We should be able to live a peaceful life."

Zhou Huaiyan was imagining what his future life would be like. And he even wore a small smile.

He had nothing else to appeal to. He just hoped that he would be able to spend the rest of his life in peace.

Pregnant?

Zhou Huaijin and Gu Chaoyan exchanged a look.

For the Elder Prince, it was good news, but for the others, it wasn't.

The Crown Prince had not gotten any sons yet and yet the Elder Prince was going to be a father...

That child was put into extreme danger.

Zhou Huaijin hadn't had the intention of getting involved with this matter, but when a child was involved, Zhou Huaijin could not help but say, "Brother, if you can listen to what I say, just don't bring sister-in-law here for the time being. If the child can stay at the border, he might grow healthily, but this is the capital, you know."

Zhou Huaiyan was startled for a moment and then he smiled.

His Eighth Brother grew up in the capital and he had been under the protection of the Queen. When he moved out of the princes' nursery, he was granted with the best mansion, which was in the charge of the Jiang Family. He lived in his own mansion and he had the King's shield too, even the Queen and the Jiang Family were protecting him. He had been living a very luxurious life throughout his whole life. He just had no idea what life was like at the border. It was not a place for a human being to stay.

If he was alone, it would be okay, but his wife Zhen was a girl, a lady from a noble family and she was pregnant too. He just could not let her stay at the border and suffer.

His Eighth Brother did not understand what was going on. He was not going to take his Eighth Brother's advice.

Zhou Huaiyan was very aware of this point. However, he knew that his Eighth Brother was showing him care, so he was not going to turn him down directly.

Zhou Huaiyan said, "Eighth Brother, you are being too serious."

Chapter 1075: Punishment

"It is just that Zhen is pregnant and I am the eldest son, so it is quite normal. As you can see, my mansion is so poor, so my father doesn't care about me at all. Even if I have a child, he or she will not have a promising future. We have to live under the Crown Prince's nose."

"..."

"We can see the situation clearly. So it doesn't matter whether the child exists or not."

"..."

"I asked Zhen to come to the capital, because I want to give her a better life," Zhou Huaiyan said. He refused to hear what Zhou Huaijin had to say.

Zhou Huaijin looked very helpless.

His brother spent too many years at the border and had no idea what was going on in the capital. He was right about the situation he was in, but what his brother could not understand was that because of his terrible situation, he was unable to keep his child safe.

However, he could not say too much at the moment, in case there was a misunderstanding.

Well...

He would just let the whole thing pass, and he would ask his hidden guard to keep the mansion safe, to protect the child at least.

Zhou Huaijin had thought that they could have a nice visit after not speaking with each other for years, but it seemed that his brother had lost his hope after so many years at the border. He was complaining and mocking himself, and was unable to agree with any of his advice.

So he said a few words casually, then Zhou Huaijin left with Gu Chaoyan.

Zhou Huaijin still had an angry look on his face when they got in the wagon.

He was not only angry at his brother, but also at the whole environment. He was angry that his father could be so cold to his own son and that his brother just lost hope.

Gu Chaoyan threw a look at him.

She said when she saw how angry he looked. "Don't take it to heart. The Elder Prince grew up in a different environment from you, so he is thinking from his own perspective."

"..."

“He is a prince who was abandoned at the border so it is already not very easy for him to have such a mood.”

Zhou Huaijin sighed. He knew that what Chaoyan said was right, so he nodded and said nothing further.

The wagon headed directly to Xinlin Mansion.

As they just reached Xinlin Mansion, Zhou Huaijin was about to leave when a hidden guard came hurrying to Zhou Huaijin. He looked as if there was an emergency.

Zhou Huaijin got startled when he saw the hidden guard's look.

Hidden guards at Shadow Door were always well cultivated, and they would never report anything to him unless they were in a composed manner.

Something important must have happened, since the guard was in such a hurry.

He asked seriously, “What is going on?”

The hidden guard subconsciously looked at Gu Chaoyan, looking a little scared.

Zhou Huaijin frowned. Feng Yue and Mo Bing were like this as well. They always tried to hide things from Chaoyan, but they had already received all the punishments they deserved. And he told the whole Shadow Door that no matter what happened, Chaoyan had the same authority as he was.

However, these hidden guards of theirs had all forgotten about this.

He looked at the man coldly and said, “You should go get your punishment after you are done with this message. One more mistake and you will be dismissed.”

Chapter 1076: Destiny Monk

The hidden guard got startled.

He was extremely frightened and started to panic. After all, the rules at Shadow Door were very strict.

The Head was Lord Huai so he had the right to hear everything. They were used to serving the Lord only, that was why they behaved like this.

He had not expected that the Head would be so strict.

He understood what was going on here, so he kneeled down in front of Gu Chaoyan. “Lady Chaoyan, please, it is my fault.”

Gu Chaoyan nodded.

“Just get up and tell me what is going on,” Gu Chaoyan said coldly.

She did not show any other emotion on her face, but remained cold. She did not help the hidden guard to get up or plead forgiveness for him.

He had made the mistake so he should be punished. There were rules at Shadow Door, which she was not going to interfere with.

The hidden guard thought of the message and said, "Please, Head and Lady Chaoyan, the Destiny Monk has been found."

Destiny Monk?

Zhou Huaijin and Gu Chaoyan exchanged a look between themselves. They were both very surprised.

The King, Zhou Huailing and their men had been looking for Destiny Monk for months, and no one, not even the hidden guards of Shadow Door, had found a trace of him. He would show no trace of his appearance unless it was on his own, but now, he had been found.

Zhou Huaijin asked, "The King's men found him?"

"No, Destiny Monk returned to Putuo Temple himself." The hidden guard answered.

Zhou Huaijin nodded.

That was reasonable.

Destiny Monk only appeared when he wanted to appear, otherwise he would always be missing.

However, after Destiny Monk returned things would be different in the capital.

Zhou Huaijin had observed too that Destiny Monk only appeared at the places where things happened.

So...

He was back in the capital...

So something was going to happen in the capital?

It was both good and bad news that Destiny Monk was back.

They had to wait and see what would happen later.

Zhou Huaijin asked the hidden guard to leave first.

He was going to bring Gu Chaoyan back to the Xinlin Mansion.

"I don't think that the King and the Crown Prince will stay still these days," Gu Chaoyan said as she headed towards the mansion.

"There is no use for them to panic. They just need to see what Destiny Monk has to say," Zhou Huaijin said calmly.

Gu Chaoyan nodded, but...

No one was going to have a peaceful life in the capital if the King and the Crown Prince were panicking.

At that moment...

At the Qianqing Palace.

The King heard the news too.

He looked extremely delighted. "Really?"

"Yes, Destiny Monk is back at Putuo Temple and he has been seen by many civilians."

"Go ask him to come to the court. I need to speak with him," the King said.

"Yes"

The servant left.

The King looked very delighted.

Destiny Monk's return meant everything. It meant that whatever he had planned was brimming with hope.

Especially when it came to the Phoenix Girl.

Chapter 1077: The King's Idea

The existence of the Phoenix Girl was something the previous King told him about with his last breath. It had been the imperial family's secret, something which was only known to the imperial family.

It was actually a secret open only for the kings of different generations, but this secret had been on hold for too long, and what the King had told him was too limited for him to dig deeper. All he knew was that the Phoenix Girl existed, and that there were other more ferocious beings living on the continent.

However, it was not clear when the Phoenix Girl would arrive.

In the past generations of kings, the King had always believed that he was lucky enough to know who the Phoenix Girl was, when he was on the throne.

Normally the King should marry the Phoenix Girl when she first reaches marrying age, but when the Phoenix Girl was found, she had already become Lord Ling's Princess Consort. So he had to drop this idea.

Luckily, Ling was the prince he liked the most, so it was okay.

However, he still wanted to control the whole situation, despite all the difficulties. Therefore, he asked De Fu to arrange for people to bring Destiny Monk to the court, when he heard that Destiny Monk was back at the temple.

He was waiting for the reply from Destiny Monk, and he was feeling very nervous.

He wondered what more he was going to find out and what his future would be like.

The King frowned slightly, as his fingers tapped on the table.

At the moment, the world had been divided into four sections.

The North Qi Land, the Feather Mulberry Land, the Cloud Land and the Saint Divine Land. Among them, the Saint Divine Land was the most powerful with the largest number of towns and the strongest army.

However, magical monsters were available in the North Qi Land.

The Cloud Land and the Feather Mulberry Land were weaker, but if they combined forces, they would be difficult to deal with as well.

However, he had already conquered Mu Yihan in the jail. He was the person that invented the metal beings which were the strongest beings. He had made sure that the jail was enabled for Mu Yihan to invent more such things, which would be stronger than the whole army.

The King felt much more assured when he thought of this.

Mu Yihan had just become his man, and Destiny Monk was back too. If he learned how the Phoenix Girl should work from Destiny Monk...

He thought that he would be able to take control of all the other mysterious forces and swallow the other three countries. In this way, he might become the King of the whole world, rather than just the King of the Saint Divine Land.

As he thought of this, the King felt really excited. He had his fists clenched, as if he had witnessed the magnificent future.

However, these were all that he should gain.

The King thought this, as he released his hands, sighed and looked calm and peaceful.

He sipped some tea...

De Fu had just returned...

The King looked at De Fu and asked, "How did it go? Where is Destiny Monk?"

Chapter 1078: The Crown Prince in Court

He subconsciously looked behind De Fu. He asked De Fu to bring Destiny Monk, whom they had been seeking for the past half a year, to the court, and it was the most important thing for De Fu to do. De Fu should have realized that manners were not important at this moment, so he thought that Destiny Monk was waiting outside the gate.

However, he did not see anyone outside the gate.

His expression sank as he frowned. He was about to lecture De Fu for not knowing how to ignore those manners and letting Destiny Monk come in directly.

De Fu said with difficulty, "Please King, I already arranged people to bring Destiny Monk here, but Destiny Monk says that he doesn't want to come into the court, nor does he want to meet anyone."

"..."

"So I thought that since Destiny Monk is the man you have been looking for all this time, we should not use force. So I am here to ask you what we should do?" De Fu asked.

De Fu had been very happy to receive this mission.

After all, the King had spared no efforts to try to find Destiny Monk, but seeing that the Monk was back at the temple...

He thought that the Monk would join them when the King arranged people to bring him here.

After all, it was an honor for anyone to be invited in by the King.

However, the Monk refused to take in any persuasions.

They could not possibly offend him either, so they came into the court and asked for suggestions.

This was the first time for De Fu to be so baffled by a task.

He knelt, looking distressed.

The King frowned instantly.

He had not expected that he would fail to bring the Monk to the court. After all, he was the most powerful man in the Saint Divine Land, so he had not expected that someone would refuse to answer his summons.

However, he could not use force on this Monk either.

Destiny Monk was different from the others.

He could tell the destiny and predict the future.

Destiny was something a King like him could not say clearly.

He did not want to come into the court...

So he should find some other solution to meet him.

Could Destiny Monk believe that what he was asked to do was so little that he refused to join them?

Well, he should show some sincerity.

However, he could not just go out to invite him personally, because he was the King!

So..

The King started to make a plan in his heart.

He had to find someone to invite the Monk on behalf of him.

Few people knew about Destiny Monk...

De Fu was just a servant so he was not important enough to do this mission.

He was going to ask the Crown Prince to invite the Monk. He should be of enough importance.

The King was thinking and felt it was good.

He let out a sigh of relief.

He looked at De Fu. "Just get up, it is not your fault, so you don't have to kneel. Go to the Crown Prince's Mansion and bring him here. Do not delay. I have something really important for him to do."

Hearing the order, De Fu got up and hurried away.

The King was waiting on his chair.

He tried to make himself relax, but he was unable to. He felt very nervous.

After a while...

Zhou Huailing hurried in.

"Father, what do you need me for?"

Chapter 1079: Personal Invitation

The King withdrew his emotions and looked at Zhou Huailing, who was greeting him in a polite manner. He looked dull and worried as well.

With his gaze on the Crown Prince, the King felt a bit more assured.

The Crown Prince seemed to have been too proud during the past few days, but after the Elder Prince returned to the capital, the Crown Prince seemed to realize what was going on. So he returned to how he had been in the past.

If he continued to be like this the King would be very satisfied.

As long as he knew where he stood and did not cross the line, the Crown Prince would always be his favorite son. Honored Princess Jing was right, the Crown Prince respected him, but he needed to learn how to be the Heir after he was granted with the title.

So he still trusted the Crown Prince the most, because he was his real son, in his heart.

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When he thought about this... the King threw a slightly more affable look at him and said, "Destiny Monk is back at the temple, and I am sure that you have heard about this before."

"..."

"I already summoned Destiny Monk to come to the court, but he refused to join us."

"..."

"He is a very weird-tempered person."

"..."

"What I mean is that you should visit the temple tomorrow and ask Destiny Monk to come to the court personally."

When Zhou Huailing heard what he was told to do... he had a very strange expression on his face.

He learned about Destiny Monk's return to the temple, and he even asked Junyi to invite Destiny Monk for a visit at the Crown Prince's Mansion, but Junyi was turned down.

He had been very disappointed about it...

So when he heard that his father received the same answer, it made him feel slightly better.

He could go there personally.

Of course...

Zhou Huailing was about to take over the mission when the King said seriously, "I have granted you the title of the Crown Prince, and you should learn that you are my favorite son. Lord Yu and Lord Yan are both sons of maids and Lord Huai has the blood of the Jiang Family, so he doesn't deserve to be my son. Only you are Honored Princess Jing's son, my real son!"

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"..."

"You are the Crown Prince, and the Phoenix Girl is your Princess Consort. I adore you the most, so what you should know is that there are many things that should belong to you only, and you don't have to hurry." The King reminded him.

Zhou Huailing thought through the King's words, then he showed a look of politeness. "I understand, father!"

The King nodded with assurance. He found that Zhou Huailing resembled him when he was younger.

Zhou Huaijin, on the other hand, resembled the Jiang Family.

This was his son!

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The King kept telling himself. Then he waved his hands and said, "Okay, just get ready and pay a visit to Destiny Monk tomorrow."

Zhou Huailing replied politely. "Okay."

After he came out of Qianqing Palace, Zhou Huailing hurried back to the Crown Prince's Mansion.

The moment he returned to the Crown Prince's Mansion, Gu Ruxue's maid said that the Princess Consort wanted to see him.

However, Zhou Huailing was in a hurry to see Junyi, so he asked Ming to tell her to wait, then he hurried away to find Junyi.

Chapter 1080: Dissatisfied

Father asked him to personally invite Destiny Monk, but his Princess Consort was the Phoenix Girl, so Zhou Huailing would like to learn the news from Destiny Monk directly first.

However, he could not fight against his father.

Zhou Huailing was very confused about what he should do. So he decided to ask Junyi directly.

Junyi had not worked for the Crown Prince's Mansion for long, but Zhou Huailing could tell that he was very intelligent. He already established his network of messengers, who were all over the capital. Those people provided them with the latest news.

Zhou Huailing followed Junyi's advice, which often turned out to be right.

Under such circumstances... Zhou Huailing decided to ask Junyi for advice.

Junyi would normally wait for him at the study after he returned from a call from the court.

Zhou Huailing ran into the study and found Junyi waiting for him there, drinking tea.

Zhou Huailing did not show any politeness. He shared the information he learned from the court and asked, "Junyi, what do you think I should do?"

"Crown Prince, just follow the King's order," Junyi said, looking relaxed.

Zhou Huailing was a bit confused. He asked anxiously, "I just want to discuss with you what we should do since we already have the Phoenix Girl and Destiny Monk. We should get on with our plan."

Junyi shook his head.

"Crown Prince, we should not rush into anything. The King trusts you so what we should do is to follow the King's order. The Princess Consort is the Phoenix Girl, which has already been confirmed, so we don't have to rush into anything." Junyi said, "The most important thing is to get the Princess Consort pregnant. We can wait for the others, and see who can laugh last."

Junyi looked confident.

The Crown Prince was very excited, and so was he.

In his heart, he expected the Crown Prince to take the throne as soon as possible, but it was not yet time.

Zhou Huailing sighed. He understood what Junyi meant.

The most important thing was what Junyi said – to have a child.

He thought for a while, then he seemed to remember that Gu Ruxue was asking for him.

He went to check what was going on.

He patted Junyi's shoulders and said, "Let's take a rest, and we will go to the temple tomorrow."

As he finished speaking, he was about to leave...

When he heard a scream arising from outside.

It was Gu Ruxue...

Before Zhou Huailing could check what was going on, Gu Ruxue was already in the study.

She saw Junyi inside the study.

Her expression sank and she pointed at Junyi. "This servant is here again?"

Then she turned to Zhou Huailing. "You keep me waiting because of this servant?"

Gu Ruxue sounded so sharp and her face had been twisted.

Zhou Huailing looked at Gu Ruxue helplessly.

If not for her identity as the Phoenix Girl, Gu Ruxue would never have the qualification to stay at the Crown Prince's Mansion.

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They had been married for months.