

Divine 171

Chapter 171: Who Do You Think You Are

With chin raised in the air, Gu Ruxue spoke with Gu Chaoyan as if she were the savior of the world.

She looked extremely confident.

Huo Wei, on the other hand, was looking at Gu Chaoyan as if she were watching a show. Her eyes pierced through Gu Chaoyan, and she relished the thought that something would happen to her!

Because of what Gu Chaoyan did to her at Jinxiu Pavilion, she not only lost 5,000 yuan for no reason but she got grounded and scolded for days. She was now falling out of disgrace at the Huo Family. That was all this ugly girl's fault!

If she had not heard from Madame Huo that the ambassador of Lord Ling had spoken with Officer Gu, and she was not asked to talk with the Gu Mansion to check out the situation, she would still be trapped indoors!

So she hated Gu Chaoyan extremely deeply!

However, she was unable to do anything at the Gu Mansion. So she wanted to watch Gu Chaoyan begging at Gu Ruxue's feet, so that her anger could be vented.

She said arrogantly, "It seems that you stupid girl have no idea who County Princess Anxi is!"

"..."

"County Princess Anxi is the daughter of the eldest princess, very much loved by the queen. If you irritate her, you might get yourself killed!"

"..."

Gu Chaoyan looked at her coldly. Instead of showing any expression on her face, Gu Chaoyan said, "So what?"

Huo Wei snorted. She thought that Gu Chaoyan had gotten scared.

She laughed wildly and looked at Gu Chaoyan as if she were staring at an idiot. This ugly girl was so stupid to not fathom what she was reminding her for. So she added generously. "So what? So you better take this opportunity and beg Ruxue for help! If she is happy, she might help you to get rid of the punishment!"

Gu Ruxue was standing next to Huo Wei. She was not denying what Huo Wei said.

She might not have been in a position to say anything in the past, but now the situation had changed.

She was going to marry someone like Lord Ling, the son of the King! The Queen adored County Princess Anxi deeply, so County Princess Anxi was going to be her relative in the future. So if she begged her for help, County Princess Anxi might do her the favor.

However, she was not going to beg for this ugly girl. Unless she was in a good mood... then she might spare her life.

Gu Ruxue was thinking as she stood on the spot, waiting for Gu Chaoyan to tearfully beg her for help.

A while later, Gu Ruxue was still waiting.

She threw a glance at Gu Chaoyan who showed a nonchalant look on her face. "Thanks, Miss. Huo, but I don't need any mercy from you. I can beat County Princess Anxi."

Then she smiled brightly and was about to leave.

"How dare you!" Mrs. Gu's shrill voice arose, as she glared at Gu Chaoyan. "Who do you think you are, that you can beat County Princess Anxi?"

"..."

"You have picked up none of the skills in the past few years. What makes you think that you can beat County Princess Anxi?"

"..."

"Don't drag us down." Mrs. Gu snapped. She had been watching them for a long while, and she thought that the ugly girl would beg Gu Ruxue for help. She loved to see this ugly girl being demeaned. Unexpectedly, however, what she saw was her saying shamelessly that she could beat County Princess Anxi! How ridiculous!

Even Ruxue did not dare to say that she could beat County Princess Anxi. Who did this ugly girl think she was!

Chapter 172: Asking for Punishment!

Gu Chaoyan frowned tightly.

Mrs. Gu had been cringing a few days ago, but now she was becoming arrogant again.

Gu Chaoyan smiled sinisterly at Mrs. Gu. "Auntie Gu, are you cursing at my father or Madame Gu? If I am nobody, who do you think they are?"

"You..." Mrs. Gu got stuck for words.

She snapped out of anger and that was how she used to curse her too. However, this ugly girl was now getting quite a sharp tongue and started to counter her! So what she said was indeed improper.

Mrs. Gu snorted. She looked at Gu Chaoyan fiercely. "Don't you dare chew on words with me here. You have made such a huge mistake, go and explain to Madame Gu. She is waiting for you at the front yard."

As she finished saying the words, she turned a friendly face to Huo Wei and said with a gentle tone, "I am sorry, Miss. Huo for putting on such a stupid show in front of you. We still have other affairs to deal with at home, so I can see you off at the door personally."

Huo Wei did not mind. She had reached her goal by coming here, when she knew that Madam Gu was going to punish Gu Chaoyan.

Oh my Gu Chaoyan... How dare you try to start a fight with me. You are going to pay back multiple times what I have lost to you.

With a satisfied look on her face, Huo Wei said, "Mrs. Gu, I am off now. But you definitely have to punish this girl for what she has done. County Princess Anxi is not an ordinary lady. If the Elder Princess is displeased, the whole Gu Mansion is going down. It would be too bad if Ruxue's marriage is ruined too."

Before she left, Huo Wei stressed this. Then she left with satisfaction.

Hearing these words, Mrs. Gu looked serious.

Ruxue was their only hope, and she was not going to let Gu Chaoyan ruin Ruxue. She was definitely going to find a way to talk Madam Gu into driving her out. If she was no longer a member of the Gu Family, Ruxue would not be affected.

With these ideas in mind, Mrs. Gu threw an even fiercer look upon Gu Chaoyan. She looked as if she wanted to take a bite of her. She said with displeasure, "What are you standing here for? Go to the front yard to meet Madame Gu!"

Gu Chaoyan shrugged. Then she took off and headed towards the front yard.

She was not scared of this matter that seemed to affect the Gu Family so much.

She was no longer the girl that had just time travelled here, who had a weak physical condition and nothing in store. She was not going to be bullied easily.

The moment she entered the hall, Gu Chaoyan could feel the dead silence that dominated the place.

Madam Gu's filthy eyes were on Gu Chaoyan. She had put some hope in her, but now, this girl had disappointed her badly.

Well... She did offer her some kindness, when Lord Huai was treating her nicely for her medical skills, but she was so stupid as to set up a bet with County Princess Anxi about entering Saint College!

They were not in a position to offend County Princess Anxi!

Zhenkang was right. This girl was born to a daughter of a business family, someone without any long-term ideas. She was going to be a problem sooner or later.

"Kneel down now!" Madame Gu bellowed.

Gu Chaoyan glanced about and knew that Madam Gu was ordering her to kneel down, but she was not kneeling to anyone.

"What mistake did I make?" Gu Chaoyan asked, refusing to kneel down.

"You have made a huge mistake! You should never have irritated County Princess Anxi!" Madame Gu got so angry that she was shaking thoroughly. "Now, go and ask for punishment at Elder Princess's mansion and beg County Princess Anxi for mercy!"

Chapter 173: Concerned for You

Gu Chaoyan shrugged and shook her head nonchalantly, "That won't work."

"You..." Madame Gu got so angry that she tossed the cane directly at Gu Chaoyan, but Gu Chaoyan dodged the staff, which landed upon the ground, causing a banging sound. Then silence dominated.

“What are you messing around for!” Gu Zhenkang was no longer silent and bellowed at Gu Chaoyan. He looked disdainfully at her. “County Princess Anxi is a noble lady, someone never to be offended! How dare you offend her! Go and ask her for punishment, or you are out of this mansion.”

Gu Chaoyan was still standing there coldly. She had no emotions stirring inside her. She had seen through the Gu Family, and she was not easily saddened.

However, Sword Three, who had been hidden in a dark corner, had tears welling up in his eyes. Poor Miss. Gu, how could the Gu Family treat her in this way! Sword Three was a very emotional person who had been feeling very sorry for Gu Chaoyan. He wanted very much to get down to hit those people for Chaoyan, but Sword Four gripped him, shaking his head to remind him of his real duty.

However, she had no idea that someone was feeling concerned for her.

She said coldly, “It is County Princess Anxi who raised the proposal of having a bet. If I had turned down that offer, County Princess Anxi might get angry, and that would not be my business to deal with.”

This sentence made both Madam Gu and Gu Zhenkang change their expressions.

That made sense.

Madame Gu had been living in the capital city for a long while. Within a short period of time, she kept thinking and coming up with a quick solution. “If that is the case, don’t perform too well at the bet, don’t make County Princess Anxi displeased.”

“She won’t be able to perform well at all.” Gu Zhenkang snapped directly. “Just stay at your Qiong Pavilion and don’t go out to cause trouble any more. Leave now, just seeing you annoys me.”

Gu Chaoyan shrugged and left nonchalantly.

The moment Gu Chaoyan left, Mrs. Gu asked quickly, “Madame Gu, why not just remove her from the Gu Mansion?”

Madame Gu shook her head. She would have done that without hesitation before, just as Mrs. Gu proposed, but now... She was more or less useful. Lord Huai liked her medical skills, so they should not give her up unless it was totally necessary.

“Just let her be. Pay more attention to Ruxue!” Madame Gu said. As Ruxue was mentioned, she became slightly happier. Ruxue was the right girl to have received great education since childhood. She was destined to become a noble lady!

Hearing her words, Mrs. Gu had to purse her lips and give up.

They kept asking about Gu Ruxue, hoping that she was doing fine.

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When it came to Gu Chaoyan, she was not feeling that terrible at all. That was what the Gu Family was like, wasn’t it?

The moment she came back to her home she flung herself into the space. She planted all the herbs, and even placed the enormous egg inside the space. She would like to see what was hatched out of this egg.

As she came out of the space, she took fruits from inside the space too.

She decided to brew some fruit wine.

If the taste was good, she was going to make preparations for her restaurant.

Gu Chaoyan had a very high expectation for her future.

Suddenly, she was swept into someone's arms. She could tell directly from the smell that it was Zhou Huaijin.

She gave him a slight push.

Chapter 174: Not Leaving

Instead of moving, Zhou Huaijin tightened his grip of her.

Gu Chaoyan gave him a push subconsciously, but he tightened his grip even more. Gu Chaoyan felt that she was almost choked to death. That did not seem right. He always let go of her whenever she gave him a push before, but today...

What on earth had happened?

As she thought about this, Gu Chaoyan sank her face. "What happened?"

Zhou Huaijin patted her head. "Silly sweetie, why didn't you tell me you were wronged at the Gu Mansion? Don't stay here anymore when the Gu Family are treating you in this way. Move in with me to Lord Huai's Mansion! Let's get married now, so no one would dare to bully you!"

Gu Chaoyan was startled. Only now did she realize that he was feeling concerned about her.

He must have learned what happened at the Gu Mansion today.

"It is fine! I know what they are like after spending so many years with them. I no longer feel sad about it!" Then Gu Chaoyan passed the apples she harvested from the space and gave it to Zhou Huaijin. "Try it."

Well... Zhou Huaijin found that this was different from what he had expected, but...

He was going to eat the apple Yan gave him.

He took a bite and found that the apple was different! It tasted much better than the tributed ones.

"What do you think?"

"Very tasty!" Zhou Huaijin said, "Special indeed!"

Gu Chaoyan smiled with satisfaction.

Of course they were tasty. She planted them!

The fruits were definitely going to taste great.

Speaking of that, Gu Chaoyan said happily, "I am going to make liquor out of them. When the brewery works, we are going to open a restaurant with our stores."

Although Zhou Huaijin had no idea what made her think about opening a restaurant, he felt quite happy to hear the phrase “our stores”.

Zhou Huaijin nodded constantly.

Gu Chaoyan found the whole thing proper as well.

“When do you think you will marry me?” Zhou Huaijin asked.

Well... that seemed to be a very unexpected question, but Gu Chaoyan did want to marry him.

It was just... It was just that the nicer Zhou Huaijin was to her, the less she wanted to disappoint him. At least, she must not disappoint him now.

She took hold of Zhou Huaijin’s hands lightly. “Wait until I deserve you.”

“You already deserve me!”

“But in other people’s eyes. I am not excellent enough to be your wife. I think I can prove myself by changing myself.” Gu Chaoyan said. That was what she was going to do for the original host of this body.

“Okay.” Zhou Huaijin replied.

Having said this, Zhou Huaijin continued to eat the apples.

He finished four of the apples in a row.

It was not until Gu Chaoyan found him getting full that she said, “Aren’t you supposed to go home now?” Gu Chaoyan pointed at the day that was getting darker.

Zhou Huaijin shook his head. “I need to keep you company so that you won’t feel too sad.”

Well... She was not that sad after all.

Before she was able to explain a thing, Zhou Huaijin already asked Sword One to bring a blanket into the room. He smoothed it out and said, “I will sleep here on the floor.”

Having said this, he already sorted out his “mattress”.

Gu Chaoyan had to let him do it.

She got quite tired after the day’s trip. Soon she fell into sleep as she laid down.

Zhou Huaijin could not fall asleep. He kept gazing at Gu Chaoyan sleeping. The moonlight brushed over Gu Chaoyan’s body and left a thin layer upon her raven hair. Zhou Huaijin could not help but raise his hand to feel her hair. It was a warm room, but Zhou Huaijin wondered if Gu Chaoyan would get cold.

Chapter 175: Words to You

The following day Gu Chaoyan did not wake up until lunch time. She had a very sound sleep the night before, probably because Zhou Huaijin was with her. It left her assured!

As she thought of Zhou Huaijin, Gu Chaoyan took a look at the floor subconsciously. The mattress was gone, so was Zhou Huaijin. Without him in sight, Gu Chaoyan felt slightly disappointed, but...

After a moment of disappointment, she called out. "Qing."

Qing hurried in, taking with her tools for combing and washing.

Gu Chaoyan kept the dressing process as simple as possible, so it was only a short while before the dressing process was done.

After she got dressed Gu Chaoyan felt a bit hungry. "Let's eat."

Qing's expression looked a bit peculiar. She seemed to be at the edge of saying something, but did not dare to utter a word. Then she went to fetch the food.

It was not until she saw the food that she realized what made Qing look so hesitant. Because of Madame Gu's defense against Gu Chaoyan during the past few days, no one dared to mistreat her any more. The food delivered to them might not be extremely important, yet at least they were okay food dishes, but today...

The food delivered from the kitchen was just pure water with almost no contents. There was no meat and the dishes were completely cold.

With her gaze upon the dishes in front of her, Gu Chaoyan could not help but shake her head.

The Gu Family had never changed their terrible habit of being prejudiced.

She put down the chopsticks in her hand and said, "Since the food is terrible, let's eat out!"

"Okay!" Sword One reacted fast. She did not like it when Miss was served with such terrible food. The Lord would feel so concerned! She was going to tell the Lord about this, even if Miss did not want to tell him.

Qing on the other hand became a bit hesitant when hearing what she said. "Will that be okay?"

Madame Gu asked Miss to stay at the Qiong Pavilion, but now they were going to eat out!

Gu Chaoyan knew that Qing was always hesitant and fearful. It was a type of personality that could not be changed easily. She said straightforwardly, "It is fine, we have tons of money!"

Gu Chaoyan was never hesitant about anything she set her mind to do. So she left directly with her gang.

The servants of the mansion would scold her and push her back to the Qiong Pavilion if they saw her in the past, but this time...

None of the servants dared to stop her and just lowered their heads as they saw her walking outside. Gu Chaoyan nodded with satisfaction. It seemed that during the past few days, how she behaved did work. She had set up her own influential image among those people.

That was what human beings were like. They were scared of the intimidating figures and bullied the weaklings.

The original host was the miss of the mansion, but was too weak to even face her servants. That was how she got herself bullied by them.

At least those servants had to understand one thing – She was a mistress no matter what.

“Miss, that looks like Prince of Duke Changning.” Qing reminded her.

Gu Chaoyan had not paid any attention to her surroundings. However, when Qing reminded her about that, Gu Chaoyan caught sight of Duke Changning and Madame Duke Changning as well as Lu Jiming.

Unexpectedly, the mother and the son were recovering well. Now they were well enough to make the proposal here.

However, that was not Gu Chaoyan’s business.

She ignored them and was about to leave when Lu Jiming caught up with her, seeing that she did not stop for his sake. “Chaoyan!”

“...”

“Chaoyan, hang on, I have a few words to share with you.”

Chapter 176: Regret

Gu Chaoyan frowned involuntarily.

What on earth was wrong with this man? A few words to share with her? What could he talk with her about?

Gu Chaoyan thought for a while and decided to ignore him. She continued to walk forward. Also, she was feeling very hungry at the moment, and needed to go out for fun and to eat a large meal at the restaurant. She truly had no energy or time for someone as disgusting as Lu Jiming.

Seeing her speeding up, Lu Jiming hastened his steps. He ran and stopped right in front of her, blocking her way.

“Chaoyan, please, I need to talk with you,” Lu Jiming said patiently and friendly.

Lu Jiming had been acting very arrogantly in front of Gu Chaoyan, and it was the first time for him to behave in such a low-profiled manner. Even Gu Chaoyan suspected that he got his head hit and turned mental.

“Fart it out now!” Gu Chaoyan said impatiently.

“You are a miss, Chaoyan, how could you speak in such a vulgar way!” Lu Jiming complained about her rude behavior as he took a closer look at what Gu Chaoyan was like.

He looked amazed. He remembered clearly that when he was little, he knew that he was engaged with the Eldest Miss of the Gu Mansion. He was very curious what his Princess Consort was like, so he came to visit Gu Chaoyan at the Gu Mansion. And that was the time that Lu Jiming was extremely sure that she was not the woman he was going to marry, a woman who was chubby, ugly and tanned. He was going to marry someone like Ruxue.

So during the past few years, he had been visiting the Gu Mansion for Ruxue, not for his fiancée.

Ruxue was beautiful, kind-hearted and nice, but he had not expected that Ruxue was a woman with her mind set upon profits.

Just because Lord Ling was going to marry her, she broke off their engagement!

As he thought about this, he realized that only Chaoyan had treated him nicely. When he said that he liked warm steamed buns, she would put the steamed buns in her arms, giving them warmth despite the extreme heat. She never brought out the steamed buns, fearing that they would get cold. And when he asked her to jump into the lake, she did that without hesitation.

However, now Chaoyan seemed to have changed. She seemed to have become extremely pretty. She looked very cute despite the slight chubbiness.

She might not be as pretty as Ruxue, yet compared to the old version of her, she was so much prettier.

Lu Jiming felt that he seemed to be capable of accepting Gu Chaoyan after all. If she could become his Princess Consort, he would be very glad.

“Chaoyan, be my Princess Consort!” Lu Jiming said resolutely. This time, Lu Jiming felt that he was being honest. She had loved him for so many years, and she was definitely going to be moved by the sincerity. “I know that you have always liked me. It was my fault for being so stupid as to miss you. Now, I truly hope that you can be my Princess Consort.”

Hearing Lu Jiming’s words Gu Chaoyan gasped. She had never met anyone as cheeky as this man in front of her.

Seeing Gu Chaoyan’s behavior, Lu Jiming thought that she was too overjoyed to answer him. So he replied, “Don’t talk if you are too shy to say anything. Nod, and I will understand you”

Nodding? Gu Chaoyan gave Lu Jiming a kick. “To hell with nodding.”

“...!”

“Lu Jiming, didn’t I tell you that I would never like anyone like you. Even if you had not broken the engagement, I myself would have written a divorce paper to get you off my back!”

“...”

“Just go and join my Second Sister instead!”

Chapter 177: Unwilling

The two hideous people made a great couple. They could just spend the remaining time together. That sounded nice, but Gu Chaoyan was not going to get herself involved.

She gave him a kick, clapped her hands and was about to leave, when she heard Lu Jiming screaming suddenly. “She only wants benefits. She does not deserve me!”

Hearing the words, Gu Chaoyan ceased her steps automatically. She felt like hearing the gossip. It was true that Gu Ruxue only wanted things that were for her own good. Otherwise she would not have spared no efforts to steal Lu Jiming from her, but... It sounded as if she was not marrying Lu Jiming?

That sounded quite new.

Gu Chaoyan's eyes widened. "She is not marrying you?"

Hearing Gu Chaoyan's questions, Lu Jiming nodded, assuming that Gu Chaoyan was showing him concern and caring about him.

So he spilled out all the bitterness hidden inside his heart. "When she visited me a couple of days ago, she told me that when I got well, I should go and make the proposal. Today, my parents are here for the proposal, but Madame Gu refuses to admit our engagement. She said that Ruxue is marrying Lord Ling, not me!"

"..."

"I never expected that Ruxue was a woman like this. I thought that she was kind-hearted!"

Gu Ruxue was marrying Lord Ling? When did that happen?

Was that why Madam Gu asked her to get into Saint College?

Judging from the situation, everything was clear.

She was going to ask Zhou Huaijin about this matter, but seeing Lu Jiming deeply hurt, Gu Chaoyan felt so great that she could not help but burst into laughter.

Hearing the laughter... Lu Jiming, who had been feeling a bit mad, thought that Chaoyan must have become cheerful because of what happened. After all, without Ruxue, she was able to marry him! Lu Jiming was about to say something... when Gu Chaoyan said with roaring laughter. "Lu Jiming, that totally serves you right!"

"..."

"You thought that Gu Ruxue is a deeply adoring girl, pretty and lovely, so you deserted Gu Chaoyan for her. But now Gu Ruxue thinks Lord Ling is better than you, so she deserted you!"

"..."

"You two do make a great couple!"

"..."

"Both of you are followers of the rich and the powerful. Lu Jiming, don't blame Gu Ruxue for that. You are of the same kind."

"..."

"So funny!"

As she finished laughing, Gu Chaoyan turned around and headed towards the restaurant for her big lunch.

Lu Jiming looked at Gu Chaoyan with a fixed gaze. Only a long while later did he realize that Chaoyan was actually laughing at him.

Duke Changning and Madame Duke Changning came hurrying to him.

Duke Changning asked anxiously, "Jiming, have you talked that ugly girl around? She might not be as wonderful as Ruxue, yet that is the only way out for us! Marrying her isn't a bad choice. She and Lord Huai are friends. If you marry her, Lord Huai would not hate us anymore and we can be in the same family as Lord Ling too!"

He did not like the way the Gu Mansion behaved, but he had to maximize his own benefits.

Even Duke Changning regretted what happened. He should have tried to keep the engagement with that ugly girl back then.

Lu Jiming shook his head, looking very lost.

Chaoyan was laughing at him! She was the woman who would do everything for him and followed him wherever he went, but now she was laughing at him?

"What? She is unwilling to do it? How dare she! It is a big honor that we are offering for her to become the Princess Consort! Let me talk with her!" Madame Duke Changning got so mad that she was about to rush after Chaoyan.

Chapter 178: Death

However, Gu Chaoyan, together with Sword One and Qing, had already gone to Restaurant Tianxiang.

They had just taken the seat, when Sword One curiously asked, "Miss, why are you not visiting Restaurant Jixian. It is the top restaurant in the capital city."

She heard before that those stores were going to be used to open a restaurant.

So they should go and learn from the top restaurant first.

Unexpectedly, her Miss chose this minor Restaurant Tianxiang, which confused her a great deal.

Gu Chaoyan smiled briefly and took a sip of tea.

And that sip made her feel totally assured that she was at the right place.

"It is true that Restaurant Jixian is the top restaurant in the capital, but look at this minor Restaurant Tianxiang. It is not that large yet can still attract many people standing next to Restaurant Jixian. So that is what Restaurant Tianxiang is good at. It is not a bad choice for us to come to Restaurant Tianxiang for information."

Sword One nodded as if she understood something.

The waiter serving the dishes could not help but say with a smile. "You are very smart, miss."

When the waiter saw Gu Chaoyan asking her maids to take seats with her to eat, he found this miss very distinguished.

When the food was served, he gave them a branded dish for free.

Gu Chaoyan accepted the dish with a smile.

She was famished, especially after Lu Jiming kept her waiting for so long.

When she finished the food, Gu Chaoyan suddenly thought of something and asked Sword One. "Sword One, you are Zhou Huaijin's guard, and you must know more about what it is going on in the imperial court. Can you tell me what Lord Ling is like?"

What made him want to marry an unknown figure like Gu Ruxue?

She might have the title of being the prettiest girl of the whole city, but the Gu Mansion was not good enough for the lords to pay attention to.

In other words, the title of being the prettiest girl was something those noble ladies did not want. That was how Gu Ruxue got it. Therefore, Lord Ling would never pay attention to anyone with that title.

As she was talking about this, Sword One found it curious too.

She did not know if other lords would marry someone with a different type of status because of love... but she knew that Lord Ling was never going to get true love, because... "Lord Ling is a very ambitious person that only cares about power and wealth. He is not obsessed with women at all."

Oh?

"If that is the case... What makes him want to marry Gu Ruxue? The Gu Family are not going to help him with anything. They are only going to slow him down." Gu Chaoyan said straightforwardly.

Sword One nodded. She thought so too.

So what was the reason? That confused Sword One too.

Gu Chaoyan could not understand either.

Maybe he fell in love at first sight?

However, as far as Sword One knew... Lord Ling was not someone who would fall in love at first sight.

Something weird must be going on.

Gu Chaoyan felt that she should ask Zhou Huaijin what was going on, in case there was some conspiracy hidden in the middle.

As they finished the food, Gu Chaoyan was thinking about visiting Lord Huai's Mansion since the day was still early.

She was about to say something when a scream arose in Restaurant Tianxiang, there was a loud noise.

"What is it?" Gu Chaoyan did not know what happened. She thought for a while and rose. "Let's go and check it out."

Sword One nodded and followed her.

She walked out of the elegant room, when a voice screamed. "The food from Restaurant Tianxiang kills people!"

Chaoyan frowned. The food killed people?

She went to check on the one that had just fainted.

Chapter 179: Poisoned

That person looked pale, and some remaining traces of blood streamed out of the corner of his lips. His eyes were closed, and he had apparently lost consciousness as he was lying upon the floor where his chair was standing.

He had been poisoned. And the poison seemed quite ferocious.

However, the man who shared the same table as he was did not care about him, but shouted loudly. "Restaurant Tianxiang is killing people! My Second Brother is dead! We need to report this to the government!"

The staff from Restaurant Tianxiang intended to go forward to check that person but they were stopped.

Gu Chaoyan frowned.

This was a man who was on the verge of dying of poison, but his family was not focusing upon his situation at all. What he needed at the moment was a doctor...

It seemed that those people were here for some other purpose.

"Stop shouting! Your Second Brother will truly die if you keep making noise!" Gu Chaoyan bellowed coldly and threw a sharp look at those people who were making a fuss. "What kind of family are you! Your Second Brother is dying and you are not turning to a doctor but keep shouting here. Do you think your Second Brother is recovering just because you shout very loudly? Or do you look forward to seeing your Second Brother die?"

The words had just been spoken when Gu Chaoyan took out a silver needle, squatted and quickly inserted the silver needles into the poisoned man.

And what she said reminded the staff of Restaurant Tianxiang as well as the audience.

There were already some voices of discussions arising inside the restaurant.

The manager of Restaurant Tianxiang suddenly realized something. It seemed that someone was setting them up. With a moment of time, the manager calmed himself down and told his staff. "Go and inform the Government Office, and you, go and get a doctor from the clinic."

"I have been running Restaurant Tianxiang for a decade and we have never done anything against morality. I am not afraid of anything since we are all straightforward people with integrity."

Those shouting people found the situation going against their will... So they got anxious too.

They got up and pushed Gu Chaoyan away. "Who do you think you are trying to cure my Second Brother? Do you think you can take the responsibility of my Second Brother if something serious happens to him?" They said this as they tried to push her away.

Sword One took a step forward and blocked the man who tried to push Chaoyan.

Her miss was still conducting acupuncture and was not to be disturbed if they wanted everything to go forward smoothly.

Seeing Sword One trying to stop them, they showed no fear but exchanged a look, as they shouted, "Leave our Second Brother alone!"

Then they rushed up, expecting to push Sword One away and to stop the whole treatment.

Seeing the situation, the manager of Restaurant Tianxiang asked his staff to help Sword One, but those men were not at all a match against Sword One, who kicked them away one by one.

Falling on the ground, those men groaned with their hands over the injuries. "Restaurant Tianxiang is killing people with their food and hitting guests! How dare they do such a thing!"

"Restaurant Tianxiang is killing and hitting people!"

"Restaurant Tianxiang is killing and hitting people!"

Those men kept shouting loudly.

The governmental officers hired by Restaurant Tianxiang had just arrived too. Seeing the mess around, they asked, "What is it going on?"

Seeing the officers, those men who were in pain crawled to them and took hold of the officers' legs, saying loudly, "Restaurant Tianxiang poisoned my Second Brother and hit us!"

At this moment, the man lying on the floor let out a soft cough.

Chapter 180: An Unexpected Turn

Gu Chaoyan let out a sigh of relief as she withdrew the silver needles.

This man was indeed seriously poisoned. It took her quite a lot of effort to help him revive. Lucky she arrived there in time, or this man would probably have dropped dead at Restaurant Tianxiang.

At that time, the situation would be very difficult for Restaurant Tianxiang.

At this moment, Gu Chaoyan looked at the manager of Restaurant Tianxiang without caring about the officers. "Got any tea?"

The manager was still in shock at the sight of the poisoned man who had just woken up.

Hearing that Gu Chaoyan needed tea, he poured one cup for her personally. "Thanks for your efforts, Miss."

He thought that it was Gu Chaoyan who was thirsty.

Gu Chaoyan took over the teacup and squeezed a drop of magical water into the cup when no one was paying attention. She did save that man from death with acupuncture, but he was too weak to wait for the real medicine to arrive. So she made use of the magical water, which not only helped with beautifying faces, but also curing wounds, just as Gu Chaoyan had discovered.

She gave the tea to that man who had just woken up. "Drink it."

The man was still weak, so he drank the tea without hesitation as Gu Chaoyan told him to. Then he became completely radiant.

Color started to emerge on his cheeks and he looked no longer like someone who was at the edge of death.

When the noisy men saw their Second Brother waking up, they stopped making a fuss and crawled quickly to this poisoned man, asking, "Second Brother, are you alright?"

"..."

"Great that you are doing fine!"

As they were talking, he turned to the officer and pointed at the manager of Restaurant Tianxiang, saying, "Officer, my Second Brother is cured now, but there is something wrong with Restaurant Tianxiang! They poisoned my Second Brother!"

"..."

"Officer, please seek justice for my Second Brother!"

Gu Chaoyan looked at the man who was talking. He kept mentioning about his poisoned Second Brother yet showed no concern. He was trying to get Restaurant Tianxiang into trouble.

Also, this poisoned man did not counter.

However, what she did not understand was why this poisoned man would sacrifice his life just to set up Restaurant Tianxiang?

She did not know Restaurant Tianxiang well, but they gave her a dish for free. It was a kind of gratitude to be paid back. So Gu Chaoyan said, "What do you think Restaurant Tianxiang is killing your Second Brother for? What benefits does Restaurant Tianxiang get by killing your Second Brother?"

"..."

"You have to look into this matter properly."

Poisoning? The poisoned man looked at the man next to him with disbelief.

No wonder... No wonder he felt so dreadful, but that was not their original deal. What they had planned was to give him some diarrhea pills so that he could get a stomachache, but he ended up getting poisoned?!

The poisoned man pushed away the man in front of him. "Third Brother, you were trying to poison me!"

The man who was pushed panicked. "Second Brother, you are not thinking clearly, why would I kill you? It is Restaurant Tianxiang who tried to do so!" He kept blinking at the poisoned man and indicated that he should not ruin the plan.

The poisoned man ignored that indication. He was almost killed! And he had felt the seriousness of his injury. It was more than getting diarrhea!

He bellowed loudly. "I am thinking clearly!"