

## **Divine 941**

### **Chapter 941: Pity**

Then the Imperial Master had made a huge mistake!

How dare he lie to the King!

When the Imperial Master returned a while ago, what he said was that Prince Muyi was socializing with the princes from the Saint Divine Land and even the King, and that he was conducting some secretive deals. The Imperial Master claimed that he was a barrier for him while there, and that Prince Muyi was worried that he would learn of his own secretive plan, so he gave him a criminal title and dispatched him back to the Feather Mulberry Land.

When the King heard the story a while back, he got really furious. That was why he did not listen to any of what Prince Muyi said, nor did he want to hear any explanation from Prince Muyi and grounded him directly.

He was in his flourishing years, and when the former King passed away, he was in his 60s. Therefore, he as a man in his 40s could live much longer and could sit on the throne for more than a decade.

So he got really angry when he heard that Muyi was planning something for the throne, before the real heir was even announced.

Because of the utter fury, he did not look into the whole matter carefully. After all, he had many sons and he could just arrest whichever one he fancied.

However, it seemed that the story was completely different from what he had expected.

The Imperial Master had been a complete liar!

The Imperial Master had his own ambition, thus offending many people from the Saint Divine Land. Luckily, he had just offended a few lords rather than the King, otherwise the consequence could have cost the Feather Mulberry Land the whole country.

How dare he blame Prince Muyi for what he had done.

It seemed that the Imperial Master was so offensive as to play with him!

Well, the whole thing did seem very unreasonable, when he thought about it carefully.

Muyi was a very innocent child, who had the least ambition. He had not gotten married, nor had he approached any of the ministers. So it was totally unreasonable that he suddenly started a conspiracy as soon as he arrived at the Saint Divine Land. Even if he did have some side plans, Muyi was a Prince who would not be stupid enough to spare the Imperial Master's life when he learned the secret, so that he could report the whole thing to the King.

Now everything became clear for the King, and he understood that the Imperial Master was not someone to be kept.

Well, despite what he was thinking, he could not spill his true feelings in front of Gu Chaoyan. That was his internal affairs that should not be shared with some outsiders – it would be extremely humiliating.

He felt so guilty for Mui, who had been under arrest for months.

Gu Chaoyan, who noticed how the King reacted, understood that the King had believed her words and was feeling very terrible at the moment.

Gu Chaoyan smiled inwardly.

It was just as she had expected.

The King could believe the Imperial Master so easily, so he could believe what she had told him about the Prince.

That man was too fickle. His trust was not at all practical. No wonder the Feather Mulberry Land was declining.

However, Gu Chaoyan still added quickly. "Well, Prince Mui and we had a collaboration back then. We thought about opening the same type of restaurant as Yellow Crane in all 15 of the towns in the Feather Mulberry Land, so we split the profits in half, and his half was to be given to the national storage. However, the whole thing was ruined by the Imperial Master."

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"The Feather Mulberry Land is located next to the Cloud Land apart from the Saint Divine Land, so if we can make money from the Cloud Land, then the Feather Mulberry Land would definitely become better and better."

#### **Chapter 942: Prince Mui Only**

When Gu Chaoyan put forward all those profits, she added emotionally. "What a pity!"

She acted as if a future of prosperity had been missed.

The King could not hold his expression any more. He was unable to conceal his inner feelings after he heard those words. He looked really saddened too.

The Feather Mulberry Land had not had a smooth time during the past few years, but despite the bleakness, the national storage had been full, so the country did not look as if it was declining yet. However, during the past few years, the tax had not looked good, and the national storage was getting emptier than ever. He had run out of ideas of how to boost the economy.

When he sent Prince Mui to visit the Saint Divine Land, he was thinking about letting him earn some money through the wine from the Saint Divine Land.

When the imperial family of a country started to work on business, it basically meant that the country's economy was declining.

Officers, farmers and businessmen... That was the rank of importance in ancient times. It was the same in the Saint Divine Land and the Feather Mulberry Land.

However, now even the King of this land was trying to defend the dignity of the imperial family... so it basically meant that business had become really important for the country.

It would have been a very flourishing scene, if in every one of the 15 towns in the Feather Mulberry Land, there was a restaurant like this. In this way, Cloud Land could be the source of the money-making, which he had not even considered earlier.

He felt very certain about one thing – if the business could go in the same way as Lady Chaoyan suggested, namely half of the profits were contributed to the national storage, then the Feather Mulberry Land would have a thronged national storage again within two years' time.

The Imperial Master was so stupid to think that he was smart.

Opening a Fortune Restaurant would require the King to invest some money from the national storage, whilst the cooperation with Lady Chaoyan would offer nothing other than profits!

He had to get rid of the Imperial Master! He was going to sentence the Imperial Master to death soon! This man had caused him so much trouble! He had opened a restaurant that earned less money than the Luo's!

Damn!

He had to think of a way to continue the cooperation with Lady Chaoyan. The potential should not be ruined just because of the Imperial Master. He had to come up with other methods!

The Luo's might be one!

The Luo's was a choice starting point. It was not as luxurious as Fortune Restaurant, yet according to what the Imperial Master had told him earlier, it was much better than Fortune Restaurant.

Those commoners were not as poor as they believed... they were not able to pay any tax, but they were able to eat at restaurants!

As he thought about the whole situation, the King looked at Gu Chaoyan and asked, "What about the Luo's? We can have one in every town! We can even open some in Cloud Land, if it is possible."

Gu Chaoyan looked up at the King.

The King was even more greedy than she was! Her plan was to establish one restaurant in every town, whilst he thought about expanding it to Cloud Land instead!

However, that was a kind of greed she needed at the moment.

"That sounds like a plan, but it is just... that I only had communication with Prince Muyi regarding the cooperation, so I would like Prince Muyi to take care of the business, so that I can be assured. As for the investing fund... I can pay all of that," Gu Chaoyan said calmly, as if she had suddenly thought of something. "Oh yes, where is Prince Muyi? I haven't seen him for the past few days, since I came here."

### **Chapter 943: Compensation**

The King showed a look of embarrassment, when Prince Muyi was mentioned.

Because of what the Imperial Master said earlier, he got so angry that he arrested Muyi, not wanting to see him any more. He had not released Muyi since, so Lady Chaoyan naturally could not see him at all.

However, since Mui had not made those mistakes and he had taken his father into consideration whilst in the Saint Divine Land, the King decided to release his son.

Mui was his son, so Mui should not have gotten mad at him, just because he had arrested him due to misunderstandings.

He would also make compensation to his mother later. Her position should be promoted and a bonus given. Mui would also be granted some bonuses as a way of praising him. Hopefully, the whole thing would pass by without any more misunderstanding.

He was still going to trust Mui, if he continued to work devotedly for him.

He had thought about releasing Mui after Gu Chaoyan left, but he decided to bring Mui to the court directly, eventually.

Well...

Lady Chaoyan trusted Mui completely, and she decided to give Mui the business, and she spoke highly of him too. Therefore, the King suspected that they had some other private business which he had no knowledge of, and did Lady Chaoyan really not see Mui while she was here?

The King was quite suspicious of all of this.

He could not put full trust in anybody or anything, so he decided to verify his conjectures.

The King had the whole thing arranged and then said with a smile, "Mui is coming soon."

Gu Chaoyan nodded and smiled.

She disliked the tea, yet Gu Chaoyan still picked up the teacup and drank some tea. She had become quite thirsty, after talking with the King for so long.

After a short while, Mui arrived with the Eunuch.

He was totally surprised at seeing Gu Chaoyan. "Lady Chaoyan...?"

Then he turned to his King in disbelief, trying to confirm that he was in the Feather Mulberry Land rather than in the Saint Divine Land.

The King felt totally assured seeing how his son reacted. He could tell that Mui had no knowledge of Lady Chaoyan's presence earlier.

He knew his son well. He was an innocent person who always showed how he thought. He could not have lied. And even if he lied, the King could distinguish it completely.

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When he was certain about this, he became slightly more relaxed as he sized up his own son. He had been under arrest for months, and had lost much weight. He looked skinny.

After a moment of astonishment, Mui became obedient again. He did not even dare to ask what Lady Chaoyan was doing here, but showed a look of timidity.

The King suddenly felt a slight heartache.

Muyi was always a happy child without many deep thoughts in him. How could he turn so distressed after a few months of arrest?

It was the King's fault, after all. He blamed him for having done something he had not done.

So the King said to Muyi with a polite tone. "Muyi, I have misunderstood you, so I have been very strict towards you. Please, don't take it to heart, I will compensate you."

#### **Chapter 944: Alright?**

"Starting from tomorrow on, you can move back to your own mansion, and you can have a selection of your guards, who you like to keep. The guards I offered you aren't fitting, so they can remain in the court. You can go and keep your mother company today."

"..."

"However, there are a few things I would like you to do at the moment," the King said with a kind tone.

Muyi looked very curious. He acted as if he had no idea what happened, or understood what was happening later, but one thing he could be sure of – he was no longer grounded.

"Is that true, father?" Muyi asked.

"Of course."

"Thank you father, I have no complaints about it!" Muyi said sharply.

The King nodded with satisfaction.

It was good. He should not have any complaints either. The whole country was the King's, so no one should have any complaints against whatever decision he had made!

It was good that Muyi understood the situation well.

So he could be fully assured to pass on the business to him.

As for what happened before... he could just ignore that. Muyi did not have to know the details, which should be good for him.

"Lady Chaoyan runs a restaurant called the Luo's, but she is going back to the Saint Divine Land soon, so she won't be able to operate the restaurant personally. You can take it over. Lady Chaoyan told me that you had reached a deal to collaborate in the past, and I trust that you will be able to do this business well. You can just tell me, if you need to hire someone."

"..."

"I will promote your mother's position too, and she will become a Princess Consort. If you do this business well, I will make your mother the head of the four Princess Consorts." The King made a promise.

Muyi looked at the King with gratitude, and kneeled down directly, "Thank you so much, father!"

The King waved his hands. He was very satisfied by his arrangement and how Muiyi reacted.

The whole thing went smoothly.

All he needed to do was to make some arrangements, which should not be a big deal.

When he was done with Muiyi, he looked at Gu Chaoyan. "What do you think of the arrangement, Lady Chaoyan? Muiyi will be in charge of the whole business."

Gu Chaoyan nodded and said with a smile, "I am very happy that Prince Muiyi can take over."

The King smiled brightly. He had been so troubled by how the situation was developing and he even got annoyed by Lady Chaoyan. Unexpectedly, he received such a great result today which made him feel extremely satisfied.

Glad, he asked politely, "Lady Chaoyan, are you having an inconvenient time outside? I can get you into a hostel, which should be more useful for you."

"Thank you, but I am leaving soon, so we can save the trouble," Gu Chaoyan said, replying to him with some polite words.

Soon Gu Chaoyan left the court.

The King asked Muiyi to walk Gu Chaoyan out of the court, but on the way out to the court, Muiyi and Gu Chaoyan exchanged no words, and all Muiyi did was to see her off at the gate.

As they came out of the court...

Muiyi spotted Yinfeng who was disguised and waiting not too far away. He nodded at Yinfeng and then said a few words of care to Gu Chaoyan before walking back into the court.

When Gu Chaoyan left the court, Yinfeng asked with a small voice as they were in the wagon, "Lady Chaoyan, is Prince going to be fine?"

#### **Chapter 945: False Record**

Gu Chaoyan nodded at Yinfeng slightly, telling him that what he had thought was true.

Considering that they were outside the court still, Gu Chaoyan did not add anything more, but got onto the wagon first.

When the wagon was a little further from the court, Gu Chaoyan said quietly inside the wagon. "Your Prince is fine now, and his mother will be promoted as well. Just as we discussed back in the Saint Divine Land, Prince Muiyi will be in charge of the restaurants in the 15 towns, even those in the Cloud Land."

"..."

"However, because of what the Imperial Master has done, half of what the restaurant has earned will be contributed to the national storage. Me and Prince Muiyi may only be able to take half of the profits, yet everything works out at the moment, and the incident has passed. You and your Prince should be very careful about what you do and say in the future." Gu Chaoyan told Yinfeng what happened and then passed him the reminder.

Although Prince Muyi had already been released and had free access to everything, Gu Chaoyan had seen when she was in the Imperial Study that the King was heavily suspicious. The reason why he brought Prince Muyi to the Imperial Study was because he was worried about the relationship between Prince Muyi and herself.

Therefore, Gu Chaoyan decided not to meet Prince Muyi again while she was in the Feather Mulberry Land. She was going to tell Yinfeng what she needed to tell Prince Muyi.

She did not stress about any more points, but Prince Muyi should be able to understand what she meant to say, when he heard the words.

As long as he understood what she meant, then he would be very careful living in the Feather Mulberry Land. Then there would not be any big problems happening to him.

When Prince Muyi was in charge of the restaurant, it would not be that easy to arrest him. Also, one time's misunderstanding would lead to more consideration if it ever happened again.

Gu Chaoyan was not sure if that would be fortunate or bad for him. After all, the collaboration they used to plan to do underground was now revealed to the public...

Gu Chaoyan let out a sigh of relief. She was going to take a nap inside the wagon.

Yinfeng, who was driving the wagon outside, was full of gratitude.

Lady Chaoyan had done too much for the Prince, and for whatever reason Lady Chaoyan was willing to do this, they had to thank her, Yinfeng thought inwardly.

As they went back into the yard, Zhou Huaiyu was very surprised at the sight of Gu Chaoyan.

"You made it through?" Zhou Huaiyu asked curiously.

"Or?" Gu Chaoyan asked confusedly.

"How did you make it? The King did not cause you trouble?" Zhou Huaiyu asked.

"Nothing particular, I just offered to give half of the profits to the national storage of the Feather Mulberry Land, which is all the King cares about. As long as he can get the profits, he doesn't care who is the contributor." Gu Chaoyan said calmly, "Also, my offer is far better than that of the Imperial Master, who receives the title from the King himself."

Gu Chaoyan laughed.

Zhou Huaiyu gasped, then he looked at Gu Chaoyan and suddenly showed a look of realization.

"Are you planning to make a fabricated record when you promise the King half of the profits, so that the King only gets the profits on the surface, not for real? Lady Chaoyan, you are so clever!"

Gu Chaoyan threw a look at Zhou Huaiyu and raised her eyebrows.

## **Chapter 946: Small Move**

She didn't think that Zhou Huaiyu was wrong about putting forward the proposal, although it wasn't a long-term trick. It was just a very dishonest thing to do, when they intended to hold the collaboration

equal and open. However, they were confronted with the imperial power at the moment, and it was the King of the Feather Mulberry Land who summoned her to the court for discussion. Since they were unable to overcome his power directly, they could possibly do some small tricks to defend their own interests, but she was not planning to do so.

"I offered the profit-sharing of my own accord, so I plan to stick to the promise." Gu Chaoyan said lightly, "I told the King that I offered the profits for Prince Muyi's sake, so Prince Muyi didn't have to stay grounded for so long. I was very serious about this."

"..."

"It is a very great state, when four countries keep their own territory and make sure that their civilians live well, but the Feather Mulberry Land is obviously declining, and if it continues in this way, the Feather Mulberry Land will sooner or later get engulfed by any of the other three countries. I can help the Feather Mulberry Land, since someone like Prince Muyi is living here."

"..."

"It is just a matter of money, but I don't have to make so many efforts to earn 1/4 of the income, which is already a lot for me. Also, with the King supporting the Luo's, the Luo's will be well protected in other aspects too. So, the King can just be given what he needs," Gu Chaoyan said calmly.

That was what she had been thinking at the beginning. Yet the King appeared beyond expectation.

Muyi should think about the solutions of every potential problem that might come after. This was all she could do at the moment.

Zhou Huaiyu looked at Gu Chaoyan.

He started to think that he did not know Gu Chaoyan well at all, after hearing what she said and thought.

He thought that she was just a woman with small tricks, but after experiencing the Luo's with her, he believed that she was a woman with some evil ideas. However, hearing what she said today, Zhou Huaiyu started to think that she was a woman with a big heart. A man would only consider himself to start with, yet she was thinking about other civilians.

Zhou Huaiyu felt that the trip with his Eighth Brother this time was all worth the while.

It was his Eighth Brother's luck to marry a Princess Consort like this. No wonder his Eighth Brother told the King that Chaoyan was the only one he desired.

If he had been lucky enough to meet someone like her, he would not desire anyone else either.

Zhou Huaiyu looked a bit distracted.

Gu Chaoyan looked at him and was about to ask him what was going on, when Zhou Huaijin returned from outside, looking as if he had traveled far.

He greeted his brother first, and then came to sit down by Gu Chaoyan's side. He took hold of Gu Chaoyan's hand and gripped it tightly.



He had no idea of how the King would deal with her, so he was not sure what would happen to Chaoyan when she was summoned to the court.

That was why he was very worried about her.

When she was in the court, he deployed his hidden guards in every corner of the court in case something happened. Luckily, Chaoyan returned safe and sound.

That was why he was a bit delayed.

He still felt very worried despite her safety.

Although he showed nothing like this on his face, this small move of his had already made Gu Chaoyan understand what he was thinking.

She pulled away her hands.

#### **Chapter 947: For You**

Then she placed her hands over Zhou Huaijin's and caressed the back of his hands, consoling.

That made Zhou Huaijin feel much more assured.

She was right in front of him. All was well.

Zhou Huaiyu looked at the couple, and subconsciously, felt somewhat displeased, but it was just a stifling feeling stirring inside himself. Instead of saying something, he drank two cups of tea, despite the fact that he was not thirsty at all.

It was very quiet in the room for a while.

Gu Chaoyan did not like talking much. Most of the time, she sat there quietly. Zhou Huaijin was a very cold person as well, and he was mostly quiet too, in line with Gu Chaoyan.

Zhou Huaiyu, however, was a very happy man, who was in a bad mood at this moment. He just did not feel like being in a good mood, nor was he interested in saying anything more, but he did not understand what made him feel so gloomy.

Fortunately at that moment, Yinfeng's voice arose from outside.

Yinfeng was a very obedient person who, despite the relaxing circumstance, still greeted them outside without guards at the door. He asked them for permission first before walking in. And when he saw Gu Chaoyan, he still bowed to her even though she was a woman who did not care about those traditional manners.

Gu Chaoyan used to tell him that he did not have to bow to her, but she said no more, when she saw Yinfeng doing it out of habit.

She nodded. "Come in, Yinfeng."

Yinfeng walked in and greeted both Zhou Huaijin and Zhou Huaiyu, then said to Gu Chaoyan, "Lady Chaoyan, I have already arranged the staff who are going to work at the Luo's starting from tomorrow on, just as you told me to."

Gu Chaoyan nodded.

In the past, Gu Chaoyan would be very surprised by how fast Yinfeng reacted and got everything arranged, but after spending some time together, she found that it was Yinfeng's style – he was always good at doing what he was asked to, and he always did it perfectly. So by this point, Gu Chaoyan was no longer surprised.

Yinfeng was a capable man, anyway.

"The staff I have brought with me should stay and work for you. He can be returned to me after the Luo's is opened according to the plan. He is a very experienced person from Yellow Crane, so you can turn to him for anything if you aren't sure about what to do at the Luo's. He is able to fix almost everything."

"Thank you, Lady Chaoyan!" Yinfeng said with a firm voice.

That almost startled Gu Chaoyan.

When she finished talking with Yinfeng, she realized that she had accomplished her mission here in the Feather Mulberry Land. From this moment on, she was not going to meet Muye and Yinfeng any more.

Gu Chaoyan thought for a while.

She cherished this talent, and she paid extra attention to him. So she took out a few medical bottles and placed them on the table. "Yinfeng, take those pills. They are not specific to any disease, but no matter what injuries you have, those pills should work. You can take it in an emergency, and if you have time, you can boil it with medical soup. The pills melt."

"..."

"These pills are all for you since you will have to deal with a lot of things being next to Prince. Keep them, so that you can feel assured," Gu Chaoyan said.

Yinfeng was startled.

So... those pills were for him?

He looked at Lady Chaoyan.

#### **Chapter 948: Back to Capital**

He felt complications filling up his heart.

He subconsciously shook his head. "No, Lady Chaoyan, it is too expensive for me to accept."

"Just take it, and leave," Gu Chaoyan said calmly. She wasn't very good at speeches, and she was even worse at reacting when faced with people who turned her down.

Yinfeng panicked. He understood clearly that it was Lady Chaoyan's kindness that he was receiving, but he just did not think that he was good enough to take it.

Zhou Huaijin said as he looked at Yinfeng, "Just take it. You need to keep your Prince safe, so for his sake, take it."

Having said this, he told Fu Bao to give the bottles to him.

Fu Bao stuffed the bottles into Yinfeng's arms.

Fu Bao just did not understand why Yinfeng turned down Lady Chaoyan's kindness. The pills made by Lady Chaoyan were all excellent, and they did not have any of these, and he only had one bottle with him. Now Lady Chaoyan was so generous as to offer Yinfeng so much, so he was so jealous that he wanted to take them himself!

Yinfeng accepted the pills. He went to the door and gave Gu Chaoyan a deep bow, then retreated.

Gu Chaoyan could not help feeling emotional, seeing Yinfeng's backing figure.

"Lady Chaoyan, why are you being so nice to him?" Zhou Huaiyu asked confusedly.

"I would like to hire him, but he is Prince Muye's man, so I have to drop it, but he is a very talented person, and I think that giving him the pills is totally worth the while," Gu Chaoyan said with a sigh.

After understanding what was happening, Zhou Huaiyu could not help but laugh.

Yinfeng was indeed a talent, but... just as Lady Chaoyan said, he was Prince Muye's man, and he was devoted to him. So he should stay by Prince Muye's side and defend him instead.

There was no need to go deeper into this matter any more.

Zhou Huaiyu asked. "Now we have people working for us at the Luo's, what are we going to do?"

Gu Chaoyan look at Zhou Huaiyu.

"Going back to the capital, of course." She answered briefly.

Zhou Huaiyu's smile stiffened. For one moment, he had a very complicated look on his face.

He asked this question without much consideration, because he thought that since they were now in the Feather Mulberry Land, Lady Chaoyan would pay a visit to all 15 towns in the Feather Mulberry Land to see where she should arrange the Luo's.

Those 15 towns were very small, but a visit to each of them would take up their time.

Zhou Huaiyu believed that it would be a very long period, so he was looking forward to it.

In this way, they could spend a long time together. However, he had never expected this – Lady Chaoyan had never planned to visit the 15 towns, but decided to return to the capital directly.

He suddenly felt very disappointed. The disappointment just came from nowhere.

How much fun would it be to travel around the Feather Mulberry Land! Going back to the capital would mean a lot of restrictions! Well, that was what Zhou Huaiyu was thinking, after all.

So he asked unsurely, "We only have one of the Luo's right now, so don't you want to check anywhere else? You can't just rely on the King and Prince Muye right? They are imperial people, and might not be good at running business, are you so sure about their abilities?"

## **Chapter 949: Long-Term**

“Also, I heard that the Sheng Town in the Feather Mulberry Land is full of fun. There is a lake there, very auspicious, if you pick up a brick by the lake and make a prayer in the temple, the wishes you make will come true.”

“...”

“The Lian Town too, is full of bizarre people and things, someone smashes rocks with his chest for example, some people spit fire, everything is so interesting for us to see.”

“...”

“You and the Eighth Brother are engaged, but you can’t hold the wedding this year. You two can take this opportunity and travel about, as a compensation for your loss!” Zhou Huaiyu subconsciously spilled out what he believed was fun to them. However, none of these had been interesting to him in the past, except for right now, when he could just constantly spiel.

When he was done with mentioning all of these, he suddenly started to despise himself. He hated what he had said, because it all seemed like lies. He even felt that he was making up stories for a child.

He remembered that the Queen was once so nice to him, when he was still a little boy too.

When he thought of the Queen and looked at Zhou Huaijin, his face sank.

Gu Chaoyan took a sip of the tea.

She heard what Zhou Huaiyu said and was very interested to visit these places as well, but she and Huaijin should not be away from the capital for too long. Huaijin had his plan for stealing the throne, and they needed to make a full arrangement about this. Things kept changing in the capital, and she did not want to be away from the city for too long so that they could keep control of the situation there. Therefore, they had to return to the capital.

And Zhou Huaiyu, who had already spent so much time with them, was already so helpful. She would not possibly force him to return to the capital with them, since he liked traveling about.

So if he had such interest in traveling, it would be much easier for her to say the following words.

Gu Chaoyan said kindly, “Me and Huaijin have to return to the capital these days, but if you would like to have a tour in the Feather Mulberry Land, you can just stay. Don’t feel stressed about leaving us, we can cope with all the questions if we arrive alone back in the capital.”

Hearing her words, Zhou Huaiyu released a thin and timid laugh. A look of complication hovered over his face.

After a long while, he nodded. “Okay, then Wuhen and I will have a tour around the Feather Mulberry Land, you can return with Huaijin, just... be careful!”

They had to part the ways sooner or later, and an early parting would make the whole thing easier.

That was what Zhou Huaiyu was thinking inside his heart.

Huaijin was his brother, whose mother had helped him to grow up well. So throughout his whole life, he was going to take Huaijin’s side rather than do anything to hurt him.

Zhou Huaiyu would not have been so ethical, if it had been someone else.

Zhou Huaijin, who was standing next to him, said nothing, but noticed everything. He did not give it much thought, but believed that his brother was eager to have family around him since he had always grown up alone.

However, the situation was chaotic at the moment, and everything was popping up and down in the capital, so they just could not be away from the capital for too long.

He patted Zhou Huaiyu's shoulders. "Brother, we still have a long life ahead of us. I am sure that there will be a time when we are all gathered happily in the capital, without any other worries haunting us."

Zhou Huaiyu was totally dumbfounded as he stared directly at Zhou Huaijin's eyes.

"Brother, you..."

### **Chapter 950: Troubled**

Zhou Huaiyu ceased speaking, but Zhou Huaijin nodded, agreeing what Zhou Huaiyu was thinking inwardly. After all, not everything needed to be spoken out so straightforwardly.

Zhou Huaiyu felt shocked and surprised. He had never ever considered the game of thrones, nor had he ever considered that his Eighth Brother would be part of it. That was why he was seriously surprised.

However, when confirming with his Eighth Brother about his ambition, Zhou Huaiyu also started to digest the whole thing. He would have stopped his Eighth Brother from being involved if he had heard those words before the trip, but after the trip, he clearly understood that his Eighth Brother would be the best candidate, for the civilians' sake, to take the throne.

Gradually, the surprise on his face disappeared. Instead, trust and encouragement filled Zhou Huaiyu's eyes.

"Okay, we'll see each other in the capital!" Zhou Huaiyu said with a heated voice.

"See you in the capital." Zhou Huaijin answered.

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When the whole thing was settled, everyone got busy in the yard. The horses that brought them here had been injured because of the long trip, and were unsuitable for another round of the trip. So they needed to get the horses changed and refill their grain. There was a lot for them to prepare.

It was getting increasingly hot nowadays, so they needed to have some thinner clothes ready as well.

It took them almost two days before they were fully-prepared to leave the Feather Mulberry Land.

Since they did not have to inform anyone in the court about the departure, they left directly.

Prince Muyi and Yinfeng were not able to see them off in public. So they watched them leaving as they stood at the gate.

Their figures disappeared into the distance.

Muyi thought for a while. "Yinfeng, follow them for a little longer while, don't get too close."

Yinfeng nodded and left.

He followed them at a distance.

As they almost approached the port, Sword One reminded her Elder Miss. "Elder Miss, it seems that Yinfeng has been following us at a distance. I wonder if he has something to tell us. We are arriving at the port soon, shall we wait for him?"

"Yinfeng is behind us?" Gu Chaoyan asked in surprise and nodded.

When they reached the port, Zhou Huaijin was speaking with Zhou Huaiyu while Gu Chaoyan was waiting by the wagon, but Yinfeng was still at a distance away, and still did not approach after seeing them stop.

Instead, he bowed to Gu Chaoyan.

Gu Chaoyan realized what he meant.

He was seeing them off! Oh well, that wasn't an easy job for Yinfeng.

Gu Chaoyan let him go.

Zhou Huaiyu had already gone to the boat and headed towards Sheng Town. Gu Chaoyan and Zhou Huaijin were seeing him off, since their departing path wasn't far from the port.

Zhou Huaiyu waved at Gu Chaoyan when he saw her.

He went onto the boat ahead of time. He had no idea what he should say to Gu Chaoyan, so he left directly.

As the boat was some distance away, Gu Chaoyan and Zhou Huaijin got into the wagon and headed back to the Saint Divine Land.

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On the boat.

Wuhen looked at Zhou Huaiyu in confusion. "I know that you like her, but why did you force yourself to travel to Sheng Town which you dislike? You looked down on the town before. You can return to the capital with them, in this way, you can see her every day and you can even..."