Farmhouse 34

Chapter 34: Why stay in the tiny black room?

If this person has ulterior motives, that would be truly terrifying.

Having died once and now wearing this half-dead shell, Gu Youyou felt a particularly strong fear of death.

She had to survive no matter what, not for anything else but since she was linked to the original owner's fate, she needed to find out who caused her death.

It wouldn't do to have crossed time and space for nothing, making such a long journey in vain.

Without that stick to use as a walking stick, Gu Youyou stood up, trembling and shuffling backwards.

Seeing her afraid, Jin Zijin simply smiled and said, "I thought you were a sensible person."

After speaking, he left to deal with the wild chicken he had caught during the day.

Gu Youyou knew he was giving her time to think things through on her own.

Gu Youyou also felt that she needed to think things through properly; if she wanted to live, she could not just muddle along.

There were too many things that were unclear and required her to think carefully.

The Gu Family was just an ordinary peasant family, and as for her wealthy uncle, she had only overheard bits and pieces about him, someone from a neighboring village with the surname Lin.

Originally, Gu Youyou's maternal Lin Family and the Gu Family were in similar circumstances, both ordinary peasant families.

The marriage between Gu Youyou's parents was arranged early on, and at the time, the families were well matched as their circumstances were similar.

However, later on, a son of the Lin Family who was good at studying went to Beijing and became an official, and that was the uncle who reportedly sent silver every year for Gu Youyou to buy medicine.

Once the Lin Family had an official in Beijing, it was as if one man's success elevated his entire household.

Subsequently, the Lin Family became unwilling to go through with the marriage and wanted to break the engagement, but the Gu Family adamantly opposed it.

In addition, with the two villages being close to each other and Gu Youyou's parents having grown up together like childhood sweethearts, they already had some emotional foundation.

Gu Youyou's mother, insisting on keeping her word, went to her parents to plead earnestly, and with much difficulty, the marriage still took place.

Despite some conflicts over the broken engagement before becoming in-laws, both families got over it for the sake of their children and the marriage, and they managed to get along quite well afterward.

But the good times did not last; when Gu Youyou was seven years old, her parents both died in an accident.

The Lin Family claimed their daughter was wronged, "killed" by the Gu Family's son, and that their daughter was destined for greatness, not to be married off to a poor family.

The Gu Family, on the other hand, resented the Lin Family's daughter for having ill-fortune and not having the fate of a high official's daughter, blaming her for their son's death.

After the incident, the two families ceased all contact.

Of course, the Lin Family had long since moved to Beijing, while the Gu Family remained in this remote valley.

If Gu Youyou hadn't been alive, the two families would indeed have never crossed paths again.

The Lin Family had not visited Gu Youyou for many years, only sending a servant each year with some silver to pay for her medical treatment.

All things considered, Gu Youyou thought her maternal family was not too bad.

The person who harmed her shouldn't be someone from the Lin Family.

Seven years ago, the timing was very coincidental.

The year that Gu Youyou's parents died in an accident, she fell ill with a strange disease and nearly died.

She was saved by someone known as the Great Fairy, who advised the Gu Family to repair that haunted house, ushering in a bizarre life of half-human, half-ghost existence.

A seven-year-old girl, orphaned and kept captive like an animal, forced to drink pitch-black bitter medicine every day, it was a wonder how she survived those ten years.

Gu Youyou herself could barely stand it after half a year, while the original Gu Youyou had lived like that for ten years, a thought that was chilling.

The root of everything seemed to lie with the Great Fairy from ten years ago.