

## Hidden 601

### Chapter 601: Life Without Flirting With Girls

Ning Xi had meant to clarify but at that moment, a little monk ran over and reminded Xuan Jing that the dharma assembly was about to start.

Xuan Jing did not seem like he had any intention of explaining the meaning of his cryptic message. He immediately bade farewell to Xi Shiqing and Ning Xi before leaving quickly.

Ning Xi could only turn to Xi Shiqing, confused. "Mr. Xi, you ought to understand the Master better than I do. Look at this flower he drew me. What could it mean?"

Xi Shiqing held up the paper and analyzed it closely but he had no clue either. "I cannot guess Abbot's thought process either."

After he said that, Xi Shiqing expressed his surprise to her, "Every day, many people ask the Master similar questions and every time, his answer would run along the lines that everything has been destined. Very unexpected of him to actually draw something personally for you."

Ning Xi's mouth twitched as she softly mumbled, "Well, if you put it like that, even though I feel honored, this flower is a little too mysterious, isn't it? Forget it, I'll go home and sleep on it!"

Just before they were leaving the hall, Xi Shiqing turned around and stared at the Buddha statue for quite a while.

Ning Xi put her hand over his shoulders and firmly steered him around, not letting him look any longer, "Hey, don't look anymore. What's so good about being a monk? You recite the Buddhist scripture every day, you can't drink or eat meat, you can't even get married! Next time, I'll treat you to drinks and prepare a carnivorous feast for you. I guarantee that you won't want to become a monk ever again! What's the difference between a life where you can't pick up girls and being a salted fish..."

Ning Xi was using all her brain juice to come up with endless reasons not to become a monk. Xi Shiqing finally stopped looking at the statue and faced her instead, with clear eyes reflecting nothing but her...

After half a day of hard work, Ning Xi did not disappoint and brought Xi Shiqing home after all.

At this moment, Mother Xi was silently crying at the hut, she had already lost hope of her son ever changing his mind.

Father Xi looked troubled.

Even though Elder Xi did not say anything, he was the most pressured of all the Xi family members. After all, the reason his grandson had such a determination to learn Buddhist teachings could be attributed to his influence.

"Why is this taking so long?" Elder Ning anxiously looked out for the duo for half a day.

Elder Xi sighed, "Old Ning, tell Ning Xi to come back. We'll think of something again."

"In such a short time frame, what can we come up with?" Mother Xi looked at the time, exclaiming, "There's still another half an hour before Qingqing is going to go bald!"

Her fat drops of tears fell even faster. "If my Qingqing really becomes a monk, I'll shave and become a nun too!"

Father Xi panicked at the sound of his and he admonished, "You...what nonsense are you spewing?! Such rubbish!"

"How am I being nonsensical now? Our son's already becoming a monk, what more is there for me?"

"So, you'll just stop caring for our other son, Shixuan, and forget about me?"

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The entire family was still debating anxiously when they suddenly saw someone walking over from the end of the corridor.

Ning Xi was back.

Mother Xi was about to console Ning Xi so she wouldn't feel too bad but in the next second, they saw a familiar shadow trailing after her.

It was her precious son!

Mother Xi was instantly astonished, then she cried in elation, "Qingqing!"

"Shiqing..." Mother Xi, Grandfather Xi and Elder Ning were surprised and happy to see Xi Shiqing.

However, uncertainty loomed in their hearts. Could this be their final meeting before he took the plunge to go bald?

Until Xi Shiqing walked in front of them and called out one by one, "Father, Mother, Grandfather, Grandfather Ning..."

Wait...He had actually stopped saying, "Benefactor this, Benefactor that"!

## **Chapter 602: Where's Your Humanity?**

Did this mean that he changed his mind and is not becoming a monk anymore?

Mother Xi's eyes welled up, she could not hold it in anymore and started to hug her son and cry, "Qingqing, you frightened me!"

Father Xi rejoiced as well and took Ning Xi's hands to say, "Xiao Xi, thank you! Thank you!"

If it hadn't been for Ning Xi, he would have lost both his wife and son to the monastery!

"Xi! How did you manage to advise Shiqing?" Elder Xi asked emotionally.

"Yeah, Xiao Xi, Auntie really doesn't know how to thank you!"

Obviously, Ning Xi could not tell them outright how she did it, so she quickly waved her hand and coughed, "Uncle, Auntie, Grandfather Xi, I didn't actually do anything. When I went there, Mr. Xi had already been moved by your bits of advice. All of it was your doing, not mine!"

"Sweet child, you're too humble!" Mother Xi looked at the girl in front of her with her bright eyes, pearly white teeth, and simple dressing. The more she looked at her, the more she liked what she saw.

In fact, no one could move her son with any advice, yet, this girl had done it. It only confirmed that her son's feelings towards this girl were definitely out of the ordinary.

If she could matchmake the two of them, then she would not have to worry about her son having any thoughts of becoming a monk again.

"Xiao Xi, come to our house for dinner tonight! No matter what, this time I must thank you properly!"

Elder Xi nodded firmly. "This is a must!"

Elder Ning observed the mannerisms of the Xi family, knowing what they were thinking, and he naturally was happy about it as well.

At the same time, in the black car outside the Buddhist temple.

"Bro, I'm back! Don't worry, Sister-in-law has settled everything in her majorly cool way! All unscathed!" Lu Jingli intentionally put on a relaxed grin and spoke as if nothing odd had happened as he reported to his brother.

However, when Lu Tingxiao's unpredictable eyes shot a look at him, Lu Jingli shuddered for no reason. "What is it, Bro?"

He really held onto sealing his steadfast lips and did not blurt anything.

Lu Tingxiao's eyes squinted, his gaze piercing through one's soul. He asked quietly, "All left unscathed?"

"Uhh, yeah! What's wrong?" Lu Jingli said innocently.

"Tell me the truth." The air around Lu Tingxiao suddenly stilled.

Lu Jingli blinked his eyes and said in the sincerest tone, "Bro, I'm telling the truth! Sister-in-law did not agree to any of Xi Shiqing's unreasonable requests at all. The truth about last night didn't even come out! Isn't this deemed leaving unscathed?"

Haha, how could he tell the truth and dig his own grave?

From an outsider's point of view, Ning Xi's trick was smart and cool but to Lu Tingxiao, that would definitely be seen as a lightning strike that could level an entire city!

The worst thing was that he had not stopped her in time because he was stunned by what he had seen! Just this one scene he witnessed could send him to death a hundred times!

"Don't let me ask a second time." The moment Lu Tingxiao warned him, the air pressure dropped and it felt like the instant before a tornado hits.

Initially, he did not want to think too much about it but he knew Lu Jingli too well. The calmer the man seemed, the higher the plausibility was that something had happened. In fact, it most likely was not something small.

Lu Jingli had seen Lu Tingxiao in a similar current situation once, many years ago. That was when Lu Tingxiao had rearranged the entire family's internal structure and questioned everyone to find out who was the mole. Even the mole lost it on the spot when confronted with his quaking anger!

Lu Jingli trembled as he thought to himself, "Damn it! I am your biological brother. Do you have to use that style of criminal interrogation with me? Where's your humanity?!"

### **Chapter 603: Exclusively For Auntie Xiao Xi**

Forget it, ever since Sister-in-law appeared, he was not in the mood to play anymore.

Just as Lu Jingli was silently throwing dagged insults at him, Lu Tingxiao continued focusing his pressuring aura on his brother.

Little Treasure was concentrating on his drawing, oblivious to all that was happening around him.

Facing his brother's cool gaze, Lu Jingli felt his goosebumps rise as his entire body shivered. Damn it! He couldn't! He couldn't hold on anymore!!!!

"Sister-in-law really didn't do anything, she just toppled Xi Shiqing over to tease him a little. Then, Xi Shiqing obviously couldn't control himself, he immediately blushed so hard. Sister-in-law grabbed the opportunity to trigger him by saying that his thoughts were not pure enough, that he would contaminate the sacredness of Buddhism and that he was not suitable to become a monk..." Lu Jingli spat everything out honestly.

If the Devil Lu really knew sorcery, the glass on these car windows would have shattered by then and there would be a complete devastation of the land within a hundred meter radius.

Lu Jingli was so frightened that his heart was about to stop. He silently hugged the only one outside of the storm, Little Treasure, for protection.

Little Treasure was just focused on drawing and had not heard what Lu Jingli said. When he felt his Second Uncle suddenly hug him, his little face frowned, then he looked down to scribble a line of words on his writing board: [Exclusively for Auntie Xiao Xi].

He meant to say...yours truly is exclusive for Auntie Xiao Xi only, you cannot simply hug me.

Lu Jingli looked at the line of words in disbelief...

Oh! Why is the entire world hurting me?

Because Lu Tingxiao and the rest were still waiting for her, Ning Xi politely declined the Xi family's invitation to dinner. Despite knowing that she might possibly be putting herself in a difficult situation, she promised that she would go over the next time.

"I'm back! Everything is settled! Let's go!"

The moment Ning Xi tugged the car door open, Lu Jingli who was threatened by his brother and despised by Little Treasure immediately lamented, "Sister-in-law, the both of them are bullying me!"

"Haha, Sister-in-law...? It seems that if I don't beat you up, you would never regain your memory!" Ning Xi started to evilly crack her knuckles.

Lu Jingli instantly felt lambasted and he peered out of the window, mumbling, "This heartless world, I too want to become a monk and be done with everything."

Ning Xi ignored him as she took out the flower Master Xuan Jing had drawn for her and started examining it.

Lu Jingli was immediately attracted to the thing in Ning Xi's hand. He exclaimed, "Sis...Bro Xi, what's this? A flower! Did Xi Shiqing give it to you?"

"What nonsense! This is Master Xuan Jing's message to me!"

"Huh? This is obviously a flower!" Lu Jingli indicated that his eyes were not blind.

Ning Xi turned the flower around repeatedly but still could not see anything. "Sigh, Master is such a Master, I don't understand what the meaning of this is at all!"

Suddenly, her eyes lit up. She quickly popped her head over the shotgun seat and said, "Big Boss, you're so knowledgeable, you must know something about this. Help me take a look?"

The girl's head randomly appeared beside his ear, her warm breath lingering and penetrating Lu Tingxiao's shield of cool aura. He took the piece of paper to look closely and after a while, he frowned slightly. "Why did Abbot offer you a word?"

Ning Xi scratched her head. "I just simply asked. I said that recently I felt restless and if he could offer me some wisdom or something. Then, he drew this flower and gave it to me without saying what it meant. Uhh, he couldn't possibly be complimenting me on my beauty, could he?"

It was indeed difficult to guess the meaning within the strange flower. Even Lu Tingxiao could not immediately think of what it could mean.

#### **Chapter 604: Find Someone To Marry**

That was when Lu Jingli looked over and said with a surprised expression, "Is this very hard to fathom? Master Xuan Jing's thoughts are so obvious!"

"Obvious? What's obvious?" Ning Xi was confused although Lu Jingli's thought process was unlike the run-of-the-mill person.

Lu Jingli blinked. "Look for yourself, the question you asked was probably about good or ill luck and what Master Xuan Jing drew was a peach blossom . Isn't this obvious that you recently have misfortune in romance?"

Ning Xi stuttered, "Romance...misfortune..."

Lu Tingxiao was speechless.

Lu Jingli looked innocently. "Did I say something wrong?"

Ning Xi's face darkened. "What you said...makes a lot of sense!"

She stayed silent as she could not say anything more.

It started to make more sense to her. She really did have signs of romance misfortunes recently!

Even Lu Tingxiao thought it added up.

Ning Xi looked miserable as she tore at her hair. "Pfft! Can it be? Then, what should I do? Master didn't tell me a way how to resolve this! Should I go back and ask?"

"Do you still need to ask the Master about this? You should just ask me! The way to resolve this is obviously to find someone to get married to. Then, you wouldn't have romance anymore!" Lu Jingli said this matter-of-factly as he stared at his brother's cool expression. He added on meaningfully, "This is like the legendary adage of killing hundreds of flowers after they blossom!"

Ning Xi looked awful. "Marriage...hey, doesn't that mean there's no solution then? Pfft, Lu Jingli, I actually believed your nonsense! Who said this was definitely romance misfortune?!"

"This is obviously a peach blossom. If it's not referring to calamity in romance, then what else could it be?"

Ning Xi shot him an annoyed look. "Can't it be luck in romance?"

Lu Jingli laughed and mumbled, "If this meant you have luck in romance, then it would be my brother's misfortune! In fact, it's a life and death kind of misfortune!"

At that moment, Ning Xi's phone rang, indicating that she had a new message.

Ning Xi was still thinking about what the flower meant as she absentmindedly looked at her phone and after a look...

She almost dropped her phone!

"Uhh, Xiao Xi Xi, what's wrong? What just frightened you so much?" Lu Jingli asked weakly.

Ning Xi's face had turned pale as if she had just seen a ghost.

Lu Tingxiao frowned and looked over too.

Ning Xi held her head, feeling light-headed from the message. She wanted to knock her head against Lu Jingli.

This harbinger of doom! I'm afraid I really must be facing some misfortune in romance now!

After a while, Ning Xi forced herself to breathe deeply. She turned to Lu Tingxiao to say, "Big Boss, I have an emergency I have to deal with. I might not be able to go home tonight. Can you take care of Little Treasure for tonight?"

"When will you be back?" Lu Tingxiao asked.

Ning Xi did not know what to answer. "...I'm not sure. If I can be quick, tomorrow morning. If I'm late, it might be the day after tomorrow. Whatever it is, the moment I'm done, I will immediately call to let you know!"

Then, she hugged the Little Treasure tightly in her arms. "Baby, Aunty has some things to do and I have to leave for a while. Be good and listen to your father, okay?"

Lu Tingxiao looked at the girl protectively. "I'll send you."

"Uhh, there's no need! I'll go myself." Ning Xi obviously did not want to say anymore, so she rushed out of the car in a panicked frenzy.

Lu Tingxiao watched Ning Xi's silhouette leave with a gaze that became increasingly heavy.

#### **Chapter 605: First Senior Brother and All That**

"What did that message say? I've never seen Sister-in-law this afraid! Could it be something dangerous?" Lu Jingli sighed, "Too bad, I didn't sneak a peek just now!"

When he said that, the little bun on the side instantly perked up his ears then wrote on his board: [Danger?].

Lu Jingli quickly thought of something and asked the little bun, "Little Treasure, did you see what Auntie Xiao Xi's message said? If you know, you must tell your father and Second Uncle, because it's very important! I'm worried your Auntie Xiao Xi might really be in danger!"

Little Treasure looked at Lu Tingxiao uncertainly.

Lu Tingxiao nodded.

This time, Lu Jingli had not said nonsense. Ning Xi did leave in an alarm.

Once he knew Auntie Xiao Xi might be in danger, Little Treasure immediately looked down and started to write.

Lu Tingxiao and Lu Jingli looked over nervously.

Little Treasure very quickly wrote the entire message content: [Meet on the rooftop tonight. — First Senior Brother]

"Woah! First Senior Brother and all that! And even planning to meet up on the rooftop! Jesus, it can't really be some misfortune in romance, could it? That's not right, if that was the case, Ning Xi could just not go! Why did she rush over?" Lu Jingli felt that something was amiss but he had no idea what.

Just as he was mumbling in suspicion, he looked up to see his brother's face in the rearview mirror. It was at the peak of scariness. It was a thousand times scarier than when he heard Ning Xi use the seduction trick on Xi Shiqing. He was bottling his emotions in but it looked like it was ready to explode!

"Bro...what is it? Is something wrong?" Looking at Lu Tingxiao's expression, Lu Jingli felt a little guilty.

Lu Tingxiao did not say anything and made a call instead.

When Lu Jingli saw the name of the person he was calling, he was shocked.

Wow, why did his brother contact Jin Yiwei for? Could Ning Xi really be in danger?

Looks like there was only one possibility: First Senior Brother was a dangerous person!

Could it be related to the person they had been investigating recently?

After that, Lu Tingxiao made a second phone call and very quickly, the butler rushed over and took Little Treasure away.

As soon as Little Treasure was taken away, Lu Tingxiao immediately floored the accelerator and the car flew like an arrow.

Lu Jingli, who was sitting at the back, almost vomited. "Oh...Bro, your brother, your biological brother is still in the car..."

At the same time, Ning Xi tore back to Regal Riveria.

When she reached, she did not even swing by home, directly taking the elevator to the highest floor. Then, she climbed up the stairs, pushed open the door and went up to the roof.

Tang Ye's message only specified a vague timing of "tonight". so she was not sure exactly what time either.

Just to be safe, Ning Xi had rushed over as early as possible, then she sat on the ground alone with her thoughts. Worry started to build.

First Senior Brother actually came to look for her...

The senior who always remained in town with the organization and rarely left actually came to look for her personally in China...

That itself was enough to frighten Ning Xi.

What did the First Senior Brother come to China for the last time?

Right! It was to execute an S level mission!

Then, what about this time?

He came a long way here. What was it for?

Ning Xi waited from dusk till the moon came up.

The roof was quiet, not a single movement could be detected.

Ning Xi was about to suspect that this was a prank! If this message was from Second Senior Brother, it could be a prank. But this was First Senior Brother, so there was no way she was being fooled!

He was really going to come. And so she waited.

### **Chapter 606: Never Thought of Her As A Girl**

At the same time, below Ning Xi's building in a corner with an unobscured view.

A black Maybach was parked quietly not too far away and a small team of armed forces were on standby, ready to attack anytime.

As night fell, the air seemed to have frozen, everyone's hearts tensed.

In the dark corner, Cheng Feng's phone suddenly rang. He was in the middle of an important mission and did not want to pick up but once he saw who was calling, he picked it up.

"Hello, what's up?"



"Bro Feng, I heard you are on a mission. Why didn't you call me?" Shi Xiao asked.

Xiong Zhi's voice added, "And me, and me!"

Obviously, the two of them were together at the moment.

Cheng Feng pinched the space between his brows. "The mission this time is related to Miss Ning. Are you two sure you want to join?"

There was silence from the other end of the phone.

Then, Shi Xiao and Xiong Zhi replied at the same time, "Yes."

Cheng Feng raised his brows slightly in pleasant surprise. "It's good that the both of you have come to understand. However, because of your performance the last time, there is no way the Boss would let you two join such missions again."

"Then...then what do we do?" Shi Xiao's constricted voice questioned.

Damn it, protecting the lady boss! Was there a more important mission than this one?

Much to their chagrin, they were being excluded. What was the difference from being thrown into the cold cellar?

Cheng Feng sighed, he knew that he would definitely regret it one day...

"Bro Feng, help us beg the boss!" Xiong Zhi pleaded.

Cheng Feng looked helplessly and budged a little. "I don't have such capabilities but I can direct you guys to a possible solution. If you want to beg someone...then you should ask for Miss Ning's help!"

Shi Xiao hesitated. "Would that work? There's no way she would help us. Xiong Zhi is not too bad, but I..."

The last time, he had offended the lady boss horribly...

"Miss Ning is actually really kind, she's very soft-hearted. If the both of you speak nicely to her, she would agree. I still have something to do here, so I can't talk much, let's leave it at that!" Cheng Feng was afraid of getting distracted and affecting tonight's mission, so he quickly hung up.

He did not want to follow after Shi Xiao and Xiong Zhi's footsteps.

He had no idea what huge issue was happening tonight that made the Big Boss so nervous...

At that moment, in Lu Tingxiao's car.

The screen in the middle was a live footage of the situation on the rooftop.

Because it was infrared surveillance, they had night vision to their advantage. Apart from the slightly dim light, he could still see Ning Xi's tensed expression as she lay on the terrace, waiting. Her hair billowed messily in the night wind and a never before seen solemnness was etched all over her face.

Another two hours went by, only another half an hour before it would be 12 midnight.

The message content had said "tonight", so shouldn't the person they were waiting for make his appearance soon?

If the other person actually came...

On the rooftop, Ning Xi's impatience was running out to the point that she wanted to curse.

God damn it! This was really asking for it! Couldn't he have given a more concrete time?

Didn't he know that making a girl wait is not very gentleman-like?

Uhh, fine! These guys have never thought of her as a girl anyway...

The worst thing was that even though First Senior Brother could have contacted her, she had no way of chasing him for time.

It was always a one-way contact when it came to First Senior's Brother. No phone could reach him and messages sent would not be received by him.

### **Chapter 607: Little Junior Sister, Long Time No See!**

Time passed by slowly in minutes and seconds. Ning Xi already lost count of the times she checked her watch.

She looked down and saw 23:59:53...

My God! He didn't flake on her, did he?!

It was only seven seconds away from the next day. Even if he rushed over here now, he definitely would not make it!

Wasn't First Senior Brother the most punctual person?

Tick tock, tick tock...

Seven, six, five, four, three, two...

Just as the second hand was going to jump to 00:00, a loud roar came from above her. At the same time, there was a tornado of dust eddying around her.

Ning Xi's first reaction was, "Jesus! What the hell?! I wore a skirt today!"

Ning Xi used one hand to hold down her skirt, which was flapping wildly in the wind, as she looked up to the sky with squinted eyes.

A helicopter landed from the sky and stopped 10 steps away from her.

Ning Xi was speechless.

Haha, this guy was deserving of being the First Senior Brother...he really was punctual to the dot!

Below.

In the black Maybach, Lu Jingli's eyes widened. "Woah! I kept looking on the road but he actually came from the sky!"

Lu Tingxiao picked up the wireless walkie-talkie without a change in his expression and ordered everyone to be on standby.

On the rooftop.

The propeller circled several times before it finally came to a slow stop. The air regained its silence and the dust settled. Ning Xi released the edges of her skirt.

Behind the helicopter was a huge lamp, which seemed to glare so much that she almost could not open her eyes. She could only vaguely see a clear shadow disembark from the helicopter, then walk towards her...

Even though it was only ten steps away, every step was like a thud on her heart, making her tremble with fear.

She could not guess the First Senior Brother's motives at all and that made her afraid.

All she knew was that if Tang Ye was making a move by himself, then it must be an extremely serious and sticky matter!

Ning Xi's gaze sharpened as she tried her best to prepare for anything that might occur, even expecting the worst...

Finally, the man was only five steps away from her.

Because he was so close now, Ning Xi could finally see his face clearly. He wore his signature gold-framed spectacles and looked proper and polite. However, just as one might be deceived by this facade, thinking he is a vulnerable scholar, one would pay the highest price.

Just seeing that pair of spectacles made Ning Xi terrified, so much so that her calves and belly shuddered.

This time it must be over...the First Senior Brother wasn't here to wipe her off the face of Earth, was he?

For the past one year, she was busy with shooting films, so she did not have time to practice her skills at all. The last time she had only managed to execute Third Senior Sister's 100 moves.

Even then, that was not accurate. Among all, her skills were already the worst. Even if she practiced, she would not be able to compare to First Senior Brother's single finger.

Her combat capabilities and his were too different...

Five steps, four steps, three steps...

Ning Xi was already considering to immediately escape or just kneel to beg. That way, her chances of survival would be much higher!

Finally, just as she was hesitating, Tang Ye was already standing in front of her. She had lost the chance to run away, leaving only the option to kneel down and beg now.

Across her, the light danced across Tang Ye's spectacle., "Little Junior Sister, long time no see."

**Chapter 608: S Class Mission**

The dropping of the pearls on the jade container made a clear, soothing sound.

But to Ning Xi, they sounded as if they were voices straight from hell.

Ning Xi took a deep breath and faced him face on, unable to keep herself calm, so she tried to play it cool. "It's been a long time indeed. First Senior Brother, why are you here?"

For some reason, Tang Ye's face darkened upon hearing Ning Xi's question.

Ning Xi was even more convicted of her prediction after she saw Tang Ye's expression change.

After a short silence, Tang Ye said slowly, "S class mission."

Ning Xi's face went pale.

As she had expected...She probably would not live past that day...

Had it been a year ago, it would not matter. Even if she was surrounded by a bunch of girls and she had to die in the next second, she would have regretted nothing.

But now, she had her dreams, her career, her friends, Little Treasure, and also...Lu Tingxiao...

Dying was definitely not on her to-do list. Not anytime soon. Particularly when she thought about Little Treasure who was waiting for her at home, her desire to live grew even stronger.

"First Senior Brother, are you really doing this to me, to someone of the same clan?" Ning Xi tried to convince him.

Tang Ye's eyebrows shot up as he remained silent and raised his hand.

Just as Ning Xi was going through that nerve-wrecking moment, two men came down from the helicopter upon Tang Ye's signal.

Ning Xi frowned. What was happening?

Did that beast overestimate her? Did he send not just First Senior Brother here, but even helpers to finish someone like her?

Sweat broke out all over Ning Xi's forehead. She knew that it was useless to try convincing him anymore, so she started formulating a plan.

At such a long distance, her chances of failing were high but she still had to try. As Tang Ye turned around to look at the two men, Ning Xi swiftly bolted towards the exit.

Before she could extend her legs into her third step, she felt something fall over her and then tighten around her waist. She looked down to see a noose tied around her and before she knew it, she was yanked back to where she stood before. She rolled onto the floor and they soon bound her up in rope.

First Senior Brother was really getting better at tying people up!

At the same time on the lower floor, Lu Tingxiao saw a bound Ning Xi from the monitor screen, his finger anxiously hovering over the button of his communication device, preparing to issue the order anytime.

Lu Jingli ground his teeth in heightened nervousness. This guy on the rooftop was extremely bad news! Despite wearing a pair of glasses and looking so dapper, he had cruel intentions!

Ning Xi looked at Tang Ye who was holding the rope that bound her. "First Senior Brother, aren't you overestimating me? Surely all of this is wasting too much resources to send you just to deal with someone like me!"

Tang Ye did not say anything and looked at her with a terrifying gaze.

The two men beside him each held a long rectangular box and a palm-sized box.

Tang Ye pushed up his sleeves and opened the boxes to check their contents.

### **Chapter 609: Marry Me**

The light was too glaring for Ning Xi to see the content of the boxes. She could only guess that there was some sort of weapon inside.

After closely examining the contents, Tang Ye took the small box and retrieved something from the larger box, then walked towards her.

Although Ning Xi was not good at combat, she was an expert in escaping and she was already freeing herself as Tang Ye walked towards her.

As she was about to break free, she suddenly froze.

That was when she saw them. Neither a gun nor a knife. Not even any kind of weapon either...

It was the largest bouquet of red roses she had ever seen...

The roses still had water dew on them, as if they were freshly picked and put together, creating a perfectly round bunch of velvety red flowers.

Ning Xi blinked and blinked again. She thought her eyes were playing tricks on her.

Was this his latest weapon?

The Master had said before that at the pinnacle, one would not require a weapon anymore. Even if it was just a branch, a leaf, or even a single petal, you could still use it to maim and kill.

Within just a year, First Brother Senior was already at this level? Amazing!

"First...First Senior Brother...when did your assassination skills get this good?" Ning Xi asked in despair, giving up on her plan to resist.

Everything was futile in front of the true wielders of strength. All that was left waiting for her was death.

Tang Ye started advancing nearer to her. He lowered himself and knelt down on one knee.

Ning Xi felt awkward as she saw Tang Ye kneel down on one knee with a bouquet of roses in his hands. She did not know how to react.

Question marks were written all over her face. "First Senior Brother, is this your...new stance? That's quite...refreshing! First Senior Brother, let's calm down and talk. What do I need to do to have you spare

my life? Master, Second Senior Brother, and Third Senior Sister cared about me so much, they would never forgive you..."

Ning Xi had no idea what she was talking about as she rattled on, trying to drag out what she thought were the last few minutes of her life.

Tang Ye glanced at her and then opened the small box in the midst of her blabbering.

A huge diamond ring was in the box, shimmering in all its glory from the reflection of the strong back light.

Ning Xi shut her eyes to shield them from the intense glare. She felt her heartbeat pick up even faster as she questioned, "Wow! Is this some sort of new weapon?"

"Marry me."

Ning Xi was speechless.

Everything, including the air, stopped moving.

She swore that even her heart stopped beating that moment as her mind went blank.

But she was not alone.

Lu Tingxiao had already pressed the button, then he saw the man kneel in front of her and he clearly lip-read what the man had said: "Marry me."

Both Lu Tingxiao and Lu Jingli were shocked and speechless.

Lu Jingli said with a stoic face, "I feel like my knowledge and experience is being remodeled everyday ever since I met Sister-in-law...how exciting..."

"Boss, your orders please! Boss! Boss?" Anxious voices called through the communication device.

The Boss was not sure what just happened as well. There was no reply...

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## **Chapter 610: Where's My Knife?!**

Ning Xi was dumbfounded by Tang Ye's shocker. "First Senior Brother, are you too bored from honing your skills?"

She could not believe what was happening to her right now.

But deep down, she knew that it was a fact: First Senior Brother was proposing to her. Which was even more shocking than First Senior Brother trying to kill her!

Tang Ye ignored Ning Xi's shocked expression and remained solemn.

He then took a pink paper out and read it aloud in an emotionless, robotic tone, "I'm willing to let you have my heart and my everything, but please spare me my eyes, for they enabled me to see you. There is nothing in me that isn't conquered by you. You took the life of every part of me and brought along

their death. If I still need to lose something else, please take it, but please spare my eyes, as they enabled me to see you..."

Ning Xi was confused. He sounded so odd!

The tone of the poem sounded familiar...could he have adopted the principle and culture of the company to write this? Could First Senior Brother have been pranked by someone?

A thousand possibilities flowed through Ning Xi's mind. "First Senior Brother, may I know, if this is...a marriage proposal?"

"Yes."

Ning Xi frowned and looked lost.

Tang Ye then quickly added, "On behalf of Satan."

Ning Xi was alarmed. She! Knew! It!

Ning Xi took a deep breath, her chest rising up and down. "Don't tell me. Your so-called "S rank mission" is to come here and propose to me in place of him?"

"Yes."

Damn it, where is my knife? Get me a knife! I'm going to kill him!

"Your reply, please."

She had been scared to death, yet, he still insisted for a reply?

Ning Xi could not stand it anymore, anger starting to bubble from the pits of her stomach. "First Senior Brother, are you sure you're proposing and not torturing me? And what makes you think that you can substitute someone for a proposal? Ridiculous!"

"Your reply please," Tang Ye repeated like a robot that was directed.

"I refuse!" Ning Xi loosened herself from the rope at that moment.

"Reason," Tang Ye stated.

Ning Xi exploded, "Damn it! You made me wait a whole night and scared the soul out of me, then you tie me up...and propose? I've never seen such a "special" proposal before! Now, you dare to ask me for my reason of refusal?"

She saw Tang Ye click a pen after she finished her lecture.

He had even brought a voice recording pen...

Ning Xi's mouth twitched as she forcefully grabbed it from him and pressed on the recording button. She roared at it, "No girl would ever like you and your stupidly low EQ. You can stay single forever!"

She felt slightly relieved after that. But then, she saw something that turned her blood cold!

Tang Ye handed over the flowers and diamond rings to the two men, then he raised his hands and slowly took off his gold-framed glasses...

Ning Xi's heart leapt into her throat as she backed away in fear. "First...First Senior Brother...we can talk...you don't need to take off your glasses!"