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Chapter 43: Testing

When Princess Jinfeng arrived, Yun Jinnian was still in a daze.

From a distance, Princess Jinfeng watched Yun Jinnian and for the first time felt that this little girl was truly heartrending.

Such a tiny bundle, dressed in the clothes from Yingci'an, legs together, hands wrapped around herself, resting on her legs, her head tilted as she gazed into the sky.

It was an expression of extreme loneliness and a lack of safety.

Princess Jinfeng looked in the direction of Yun Jinnian's gaze—blue sky and white clouds, nothing interesting.

Inside the house.

The guard Luoyi came out, "Fourth Miss, the time of an incense stick has passed!"

"Oh!" Yun Jinnian responded and slowly rose to her feet, walking towards the house.

Her demeanor did not resemble that of a child, but rather that of a world-weary old woman.

Yun Jinnian entered the house and approached Chu Yu to remove the silver needles.

"Change to the second medicinal bath!"

After Yun Jinnian spoke, Luoyi immediately nodded in agreement, and as Yun Jinnian turned her head, Luoyi helped Chu Yu up, carried him across and moved him into the prepared second medicinal bath.

Yun Jinnian then applied more needles to Chu Yu.

Afterward, she returned to the first medicinal bath and poured in some medicinal powder, and within moments, a layer of tiny insects floated to the surface.

They were tiny and fine but visible to the naked eye.

"This..."

Luoyi cried out in shock.

She could hardly believe.

There were so many insects inside Chu Yu's body.

Princess Jinfeng also walked in, approaching the bath, and upon seeing the insects inside, exclaimed, "Heavens, these insects!"

"Reporting to the Princess, they came out from His Highness's body!" Luoyi reported.

Princess Jinfeng nearly fainted at the sight, looking at the still serene Yun Jinnian, "Yun Jinnian!"

Hearing her name, Yun Jinnian looked towards Princess Jinfeng and curtsied, "Jinnian pays respects to the Princess!"

Since Princess Jinfeng had not revealed her identity previously, Yun Jinnian could pretend not to know, but now that was not an option.

"No need for formalities. I ask you, how is my brother?"

Yun Jinnian glanced at Princess Jinfeng and then at Chu Yu soaking in the medicinal bath, "This poison cannot be cured in a moment. Is there a room available here? I will stay for a few days. Could the Princess send someone to Yingci'an to inform my nurse so she does not worry?"

"There is a room. My brother prepared it for you early on. As for Yingci'an, rest assured, we have already given instructions—mostly our own people are there. There are Medical Books and medicinal materials too. Whatever you need, just ask. As long as you cure my brother's poison, anything you desire, I will fulfill it!" Princess Jinfeng said resolutely.

She cared deeply for Chu Yu.

Yun Jinnian nodded, "In a while, when I remove the needles, His Highness will wake up."

Princess Jinfeng breathed a sigh of relief and sat down to one side.

Seeing Yun Jinnian standing still, she softly called, "Yun Jinnian!"

Yun Jinnian, puzzled, looked towards Princess Jinfeng, her lips pursed and eyebrows furrowed, "?"

"Come here, keep me company and talk!"

"Yes!"

Yun Jinnian walked over to Princess Jinfeng.

Princess Jinfeng pointed to a spot beside the Arhat bed, "Sit here!"

Yun Jinnian sat down, very properly and formally.

The maid brought over tea and pastries.

They looked very tasty. Having been on a vegetarian diet, daily meals consisting of either vegetables or salted dishes, rice porridge, gruel, steamed buns, Yun Jinnian had never eaten fine foods. She licked her lips, wanting to eat.

But she did not say a word.

Princess Jinfeng burst out laughing and pushed the plate towards Yun Jinnian, "You eat. After eating the pastries, drink this Rose Dew. It is truly delightful!"

"Thank you, Princess!"

But she did not know how to pick them up.

Should she reach out to take them? Or...

But there were no silver chopsticks prepared, was she expected to use her hands?