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Chapter 331 Desire

Lu Zhi Yun could barely react after hearing what the white-haired young man said. Her gaze turned blank.

It was because she had seen him flicking his hand and making Xu Xue Ning and Bai Chen vanish.

"Do you desire anything? I'll grant you one wish as repayment."

Bai Chen from the future seemed to not care about how surprised Lu Zhi Yun was right now. For him, Lu Zhi Yun was someone he owed gratitude to for saving his life and he had not had a chance to repay her.

This was because after today, the day he'd lost Xu Xue Ning, he'd turned to the path of revenge and had done everything in his power to take his revenge on Jing Cha the Legendary.

In the future that he was from, he'd finally finished the job—even though it had taken quite some time.

However, what he had experienced and the path that he had taken would not happen to himself in this time period.

If all of it were to happen again, it would be useless of him to have spent over a thousand years to realise the eternal truth of time to point where he could defy the heavens and break the rules of space-time to come back here!

Lu Zhi Yun was still unable to respond, while Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary, Lu Zhi Yun's grandfather, was excited. His eyes glowed.

He inhaled deeply once and tried his best to suppress his emotions. He leapt down from the sky and knelt in front of Bai Chen.

His actions were very fast, yet Bai Chen was still able to track them even without looking.

Lu Zhi Yun was awakened from her reverie when she heard a loud thud on the ground.

As soon as she turned towards its source, she suddenly exclaimed, "G... Grandfather!"

"Yun Er, quickly kneel down. Show your respect to the elder." Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary did not care much about Lu Zhi Yun's scream. He told her this with a serious tone.

Lu Zhi Yun was surprised and confused at first. A moment later, she came to her senses and quickly knelt down.

However, she could not kneel because there was a mysterious force that stopped her from doing so.

Of course, it was Bai Chen. He could not let the person who had saved his life kneel.

"Please get up." Also, he thought it was bad for her grandfather to kneel to him too.

However, Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary kept kneeling there.

"Elder, please allow me to ask if you're at the divine level?" Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary pressed his head to the ground and asked in a respectful tone.

The reason why he dared to ask was because his granddaughter was the person who'd saved the life of the white-haired man.

If not, he would not have dared to ask, even if he had had more bravery.

"The divine level?" Bai Chen was calm. He did not have to answer, but it was Lu Zhi Yun's grandfather who'd asked. Thus, he was willing to answer a few times.

"I'm not at the divine level."

"N...Not at the divine level?!" Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary was amazed. His eyes that were looking at the ground widened. His body trembled. His heart trembled hard!

'I...If this elder isn't at the divine level, which level would he be at? Does that mean the highest level is not the divine one?!?'

Actually, it was not only Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary who was surprised; Lu Zhi Yun was also the same. Her golden eyes widened and stared blankly at Bai Chen's cracked face. Her thoughts right now were exactly the same as Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary's, her grandfather.

"That's right. I'm not at the divine level," Bai Chen said, losing interest in Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary. He turned to Lu Zhi Yun.

"Lu Zhi Yun, kindly tell me your wish. If I can grant it, I won't hesitate to do it for you."

Lu Zhi Yun's facial expression changed when she heard him. When he'd asked the first time, she had still been unable to react. Not anymore.

Then, a short while later, her eyes sparkled.

It was as if she had something that she desired and wanted.

However, she hesitated and felt bad about it. She thought that it was improper to ask for it. Even though he'd told her that she had saved him before, she truly could not remember when she had saved him.

How many years ago was he was talking about—two, four, six, or ten?

The only thought she had was that his face was familiar. She was sure that she had met him before. She just could not recall where.

"Elder, please make Lu Zhi Yun as strong as you."

While Lu Zhi Yun was still hesitating, Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary quickly spoke.

"Grandfather!" Lu Zhi Yun was surprised. She did not expect her grandfather to say that.

However, it was also what she was going to ask for. Even though she did not like practicing, she still thought that cultivation was miraculous. It could grant a mere human the power to fly without using a plane.

When she saw how powerful this Bai Chen from the future was, she'd trembled. She wanted to be that powerful, too.

It was fitting that Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary was her grandfather. He could see right through her, able to determine her desire.

"As strong as me?" Bai Chen frowned a little. Yet, he did not refuse.

He looked into Lu Zhi Yun's eyes. He thought that this was also what she wished to request from him.

For some reason, she did not say it herself. Her grandfather did.

However, Bai Chen did not take it to heart. It was her desire, so he would grant it to her. Finally, he could repay her.

It had been stuck in his heart for too long.

Finally, he had a chance to repay her. He would not miss it!

Bai Chen thought for a second and nodded. Then, he spoke to Lu Zhi Yun.

"If it's what you desire, I'll help make you the most powerful one in the present cultivator world. It's up to you whether or not you'll be able to do it!"

Chapter 332 A Hidden Dimension

Ten minutes had quickly passed. Bai Chen had already gone. He'd vanished in the blink of an eye without leaving any traces.

Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary and Lu Zhi Yun, the grandfather and the granddaughter, were standing there quietly. Both stared at where Bai Chen was before he'd disappeared.

Their hearts pounded fast. They were the fastest beats they had ever experienced.

It took a while before their hearts calmed down to their normal rhythm.

"Zhi Yun, tell me, when did you save this elder's life?"

Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary suddenly asked this out of curiosity. He looked happy and excited.

Lu Zhi Yun quickly shook her head. "Grandfather, I really can't remember when I saved him. However, his face was familiar. I feel like I've met him before."

"Is that so?" Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary frowned a little. He really wanted to know.

Judging from his granddaughter's facial expression, he could tell that she really did not remember. Thus, he decided to quit. He looked at the tricoloured jade bottle in Lu Zhi Yun's hand.

It was as if his eyes were about to shoot out beams of light.

"Zhi Yun, you're very lucky." Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary could not help but sigh. "Who would have thought that you could become a divine cultivator within less than 10 years!"

What Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary said was actually the words Bai Chen had said before he'd vanished ten minutes ago.

Those words were: 'If it's what you desire, I'll help make you the most powerful one in the present cultivator world. It's up to you whether or not you'll be able to do it!'

After that, he'd retrieved the small tricoloured jade bottle from a pocket dimension and given it to Lu Zhi Yun. He had explained that these were miracle pills that turned people who took them into divine cultivators in 10 years!

Bai Chen spent 10 minutes giving an explanation of the pills and then vanished.

While he had been explaining, both Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary and Lu Zhi Yun had been in awe. They were surprised, amazed, and also extremely excited.

They'd only calmed down just now.

Judging from their expressions, they believed Bai Chen with all their hearts.

The reason was simple. Bai Chen was a powerful cultivator from the future. His power could kill them very easily. There was no reason for him to lie.

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Within the hidden dimension, a beautiful blue light glowed in every direction. Its endpoint was nowhere to be found, no matter how hard one looked.

A figure in a silver outfit was standing alone in the dimension. It was Bai Chen. He was not the current Bai Chen, but the one from the future.

He possessed gloomy white eyes, white hair, and a cracked face that reflected his intense sadness. Yet, his face was emotionless. He stood there calmly as if his mind was elsewhere.

His mind was on the path that he had taken. The path so painful and cruel, it had been arduous to get to the end of it!

Not so long after that, he shook his head and flicked his hand a little. Suddenly, silver rays of light glowed brightly; they were blinding.

Once the rays had gradually faded, two high-quality wooden beds were revealed. There were a man and a woman lying on either one of them.

Of course, they were Bai Chen and Xu Xue Ning.

Bai Chen was still breathing, while Xu Xue Ning was completely lifeless!

Her beautiful fair face and perfect body had started to turn cold. The blood on the penetrative wound in the middle of her body had dried up. It was a decidedly frightening sight.

The future Bai Chen looked at Xu Xue Ning's body. His eyes shone with grief and pain.

He looked at her for a while before turning to his current self.

"From what I recall, you'll be awake in 10 minutes," Bai Chen muttered.

It was true because he had experienced it before. If the future him did not appear, the current him would be awake within half an hour from when he had fallen unconscious.

After that, he would find out that he was not in pain. There would be no wounds on his body. The blood that soaked him would also be gone.

Moreover, the wound on his chest would be healed completely. And the most amazing thing would be the left arm that he lost in the fight with Ming Kong the Legendary. It would come back to him like absolutely nothing had happened!

It was not a miracle. Everything was the Life Changing System's doing!

The Life Changing System had done it. It had taken 500 magical bonuses in exchange for his recovery from all his injuries!

This showed Bai Chen that Life Changing System did not simply wait for his decisions; it also had its own thoughts. They were rare, though.

If Bai Chen, the owner of the Life Changing System, did not fall into an extremely dangerous situation, it would not do anything. It would only notify him and go into a deep sleep.

p The notification was as usual, like a mission-accomplishment notification and so forth.

The reason why it'd helped him was not because it was kind. It also had its own objective.

And to achieve that objective, it required Bai Chen. It was a painful path for Bai Chen because he had to lose Li Lin and Long Xu In because of it!

Before the objective could be achieved, his life had been full of pain that few humans would have been able to bear!

However, to change the future and to revive Xu Xue Ning, Li Lin, and Long Xu In, he'd kept on trying until he could go back in time and change everything he wanted!

Bai Chen thought about what the current him would have had to experience if he had not come from the future to help him.

At that time, when he had come to his senses, Bai Chen had found himself in a normal state. He had quickly rushed to where Xu Xue Ning was.

What followed was the crazed cries that were full of grief and indescribable sorrow. It had been so painful, it was as if his heart was being sliced with thousands of knives!

Bai Chen's heart had been torn to pieces at seeing Xu Xue Ning's lifeless body. She had died!

Even so, her lips still curved into a slight, beautiful smile...

Chapter 333 Drop Of Life

Bai Chen knelt down and embraced Xu Xue Ning's body. He still screamed like a madman.

His blood-coloured tears ran down his cheeks again. They did not seem to stop!

There were no wounds left on his face. It was as pale white as a plain sheet of paper.

At this moment, it was as if Bai Chen did not care about Jing Cha the Legendary anymore. Actually, he did not even care that his wounds were all healed when he had woken up.

Even if he did care, Jing Cha the Legendary was not there anymore anyway. He'd left when he thought he was going to come over to Bai Chen and torture him while Bai Chen was still unconscious.

The reason why he left was because he could sense the arrival of Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary. He was afraid that if Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary saw him so wounded, he would kill him for fame. He had no choice but to leave.

Even though Jing Cha the Legendary was still displeased that he did not have a chance to torture and rip Bai Chen apart to avenge his loss of his eye, he thought that Bai Chen would not be able to live long in that condition anyway.

He was certain because Bai Chen's breath was so light, it had almost vanished. It would take a miracle for him to survive.

After Jing Cha the Legendary left, Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary arrived. He took Lu Zhi Yun away without even paying attention to the dying Bai Chen and the dead Xu Xue Ning.

Lu Zhi Yun asked him to stop, but he still insisted on leaving.

Actually, Lu Zhi Yun wanted to take Xu Xue Ning's body back to the Xu family. She did not care much about Bai Chen because she did not know it was him in disguise.

If she had, she would definitely have helped him too, because she thought that he was Xu Xue Ning's boyfriend.

Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary, her grandfather, did not listen to her. She could not do anything.

Bai Chen was unconscious at the time, so he did not know what was happening. If he had, he might have wanted to thank Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary for making Jing Cha the Legendary decide to leave and not kill him.

However, even if Lu Zhun Gu the Legendary had not been there, the Life Changing System would not have let the dying and unconscious Bai Chen be killed by Jing Cha the Legendary anyway.

Bai Chen knelt down and held the cold, beautiful, perfect body of Xu Xue Ning in his embrace for quite some time. His mournful cries still continued.

Eventually, his red eyes swept around the area in search of her killer, Jing Cha the Legendary. He could not find that evil bastard anywhere.

"Jing Cha, no matter where you are, I'll find you and make you pay!"

Bai Chen did not see Jing Cha the Legendary, so he raised his head upwards, gritted his teeth, and swore on Xu Xue Ning's lifeless body.

From that second onwards, the path of his life had been changed forever!

He walked on the path of vengeance. It was dark, full of grief and hatred. He only thought about taking revenge!

Of course, these were all events that were to have happened if the future Bai Chen had not come.

"I certainly don't want to rely on this damn system!" the future Bai Chen said to himself.

He decided not to wait until it withdrew his 500 magical bonuses in exchange for healing his wounds and returning his lost arm.

Bai Chen flicked his hand once. A small tricoloured jade bottle appeared in his hand.

"A low-grade health restoration pill should be enough."

Bai Chen slowly took the pill out of the bottle. It was a beautiful white pill. It gave off a slight glow and had a nice fragrance.

Bai Chen quickly put the pill in the current Bai Chen's mouth and forced it down his throat.

Five minutes later, the wounds on Bai Chen's body started to heal and eventually vanish!

It was obvious that the low-grade health restoration worked in accordance with its name. It could perfectly restore health and heal wounds within only 5 minutes.

Even the big hole in the size of a fist on his chest was completely healed. There were no traces of it left at all. The one thing that did not come back was his lost arm.

The future Bai Chen looked at where the current Bai Chen's left arm should be for a while. Then, he flicked his hand.

A blinding silver ray of light leapt out from his hand towards the current Bai Chen's left shoulder.

Suddenly, the silver light extended itself down from the shoulder. It sparkled very beautifully. Not so long after that, the light disappeared and the left arm appeared!

Yes, it was definitely the left arm!

"I brought back your left arm with my time spirit qi. You'll be awake in no time. Once you do, I'll tell you about everything that you'd have had to face if I didn't time travel back to this time period..."

Bai Chen muttered this softly to himself and turned to Xu Xue Ning.

"Xue Ning, I'll revive you with a Drop of Life!"

Bai Chen brought something out of the dimensional rift. It was a translucent light green jar.

Inside, there was a small, dark green drop of water floating. This small waterdrop was very beautiful. It glowed as if it had its own life and spirit.

Without hesitation, Bai Chen quickly poured that single drop of water onto Xu Xue Ning's lifeless body.

As soon as the dark green drop of water touched Xu Xue Ning's body, it spread out into numerous rays of green light.

Those rays of light were quickly absorbed into Xu Xue Ning's lifeless body.

Suddenly, her skin, which had been a colourless white, started to show the rush of blood and her breath, which had disappeared previously, emerged once again!

Her pulse and heart started up again!

She was revived. She was back from death!

If someone knew about this, the whole world would certainly be in chaos. It would be the biggest news in world history!

Chapter 334 A War Between System Owners

"The Drop of Life is special. It is true that it was a miracle pill that can bring back to life someone who had died once, but it is not as though there are no drawbacks. The dead person's memories of the past year will be completely wiped out. The one who died won't know what they've been through in the past year of their life."

The future Bai Chen muttered this softly while looking at Xu Xue Ning who was now alive again.

Bai Chen's sad face seemed to have a flash of a smile.

It was only there for the blink of an eye, then vanished.

"But this is for the best. Xue Ning will live her life peacefully without any danger."

Once the smile vanished, the profound grief came back to Bai Chen's face as before.

"This is for the best..." Bai Chen sighed.

At the same time, the current Bai Chen started to come to. His eyes slowly opened.

"Xue Ning!"

Once he was awake, the first word that came out of his mouth was: 'Xue Ning'. It was obvious how much he cared for her.

"Xue Ning's all right. She's safe now," the future Bai Chen said while looking calmly at his current self.

"Who are you?" Bai Chen almost jumped up from his bed due to shock. He was afraid that it was Jing Cha the Legendary's voice.

"There's no need to worry," the future Bai Chen said once more.

Bai Chen, who had now gotten up from his bed, looked ahead of him. Suddenly, his body turned stiff for a second. His breath was cut short. His eyes slowly widened at the unbelievable sight.

"You are..." His lips trembled when he saw the face of the speaker.

How could he not recognise the face of the man in front of him? Even though the hair had turned white, the eyes were gloomy, and the face was cracked, he recognised the face of the other party because he had been looking at that face every day.

He looked a little older than he was right now. However, it was undoubtedly his own face!

"There's no need to be alarmed. I'm you in the next 7 years."

"What?!?" Bai Chen cried out in alarm. His eyes widened to the point that they could not widen any further. His heart raced fast. His breaths also came rapidly, and he could not stop them.

The future Bai Chen did not fret at seeing his current self's reaction. It was only normal for anyone who had to face this kind of situation to be alarmed.

"Do not be alarmed. This is real."

He said this and spread out his fingers. A line of silver light leapt out towards the current Bai Chen's forehead.

As soon as the silver light vanished into Bai Chen's forehead, memories started to overwhelm him. His facial expression changed. His face turned extremely pale!

His body trembled madly. His eyes turned glassy.

Not so long after that, tears flowed out of his eyes.

"T...This is real?" Bai Chen started to speak again after an indeterminate amount of time.

The memories that he had gotten were a lot to take in. The clearest ones were harsh and cruel. He saw Xu Xue Ning, Long Xu In, and Li Lin die protecting him!

"Everything you see in your memories is real," the future Bai Chen said calmly. "I think you know now why I came to you here from the memories that I let you see."

It was as if Bai Chen did not hear anything his future self was saying.

It was a moment later that he finally suppressed all of his overwhelming emotions.

The first thing that he did was quickly look at Xu Xue Ning who was sleeping on her bed.

Seeing her safe and sound, he sighed with relief. He then turned to his future self.

"You were definitely in much greater pain than me for you to have decided to cut ties with love to achieve the salvation level!"

Bai Chen's words were full of grief.

The salvation level was none other than the realm that was one step above the divine level!

It was obvious now that the highest level for cultivators was not the divine level; there were five more.

They were the salvation, sunyata, half-master, master, and immortal realms!

The immortal level was the true highest level of all cultivator levels. The future Bai Chen was at this immortal level!

However, the path that he had taken in order to reach it had not been easy. He had used 500 years to become an immortal cultivator!

There was no doubt that was 500 years. He had truly spent 500 years!

However, it was not 500 years in the current world. It was that of another world called the 'celestial world'!

The celestial world was a world full of cultivators. It was like an ancient world with no technology, no lights, no cars, or any other conveniences.

It was also a battlefield for those who possessed a Life Changing System!

One could say that it was where a war would take place—the war between twelve Life Changing System owners!

It was obvious that Bai Chen was not the only one who possessed a Life Changing System. There were others out there, too, and there were as many as eleven more people. Including him, the total was twelve.

Bai Chen had gotten into the celestial world when his system had reached level 20.

The war between the system owners would start when one's level reached 20. There would only be one winner and that winner could ask for any wish to be granted!

The future Bai Chen had already experienced the war once. Even though he had won, he had had to lose both Li Lin and Long Xu In. They had protected him from the other system owners.

What he had asked for was for his existence to remain, even if he changed the past. He wanted to live, no matter how much the past was changed!

His existence now went along with the flow of changes. He would not vanish despite changes to the past.

The reason why he'd asked for this was because he wanted to stay with Xu Xue Ning, Long Xu In, and Li Lin. He wanted to make them happy.

He wanted them to live again through changing the past. That way, he could spend his life with them!

Chapter 335 Twelve Life Changing Systems

Bai Chen now knew about all the painful memories of the future him, which he would have had to experience in the next 7 years of life and over 1,500 years in the celestial world.

It was obvious that time in the current world and the celestial world were different.

The time in the current world would stop completely when one was in the celestial world.

No matter how much time one spent in the celestial world, the time in the current world would remain the same, not moving forward.

When one left the celestial world, that was when the time started to flow again...from the very first step out of the celestial world.

Due to this, it was only normal for Bai Chen to have been able to train himself until he'd reached the immortal level within 500 years. He'd also spent another 1,000 years to achieve the eternal truth of time.

The eternal truth of time was like the true core of time. Those who achieved it would be able to break the rules of space-time and time travel to the past or the future at will!

The eternal truth of time was very difficult to achieve. Not everyone could reach it. Bai Chen had been able to do it because he had been through a lot. It was a test of his immense determination.

He had had to lose a great deal in order to achieve it. From all of this, it could be seen that Bai Chen had been able to time travel here by himself without the Life Changing System's help.

He did not need it. It was all his own power!

He did not want to use it because if the past was changed, he would vanish!

Thus, he had had no choice but to train himself until he'd achieved the eternal truth of time and asked to maintain his existence even if the past was changed.

"The war of the system owners. The celestial world..."

Bai Chen muttered this softly. He looked at the cracked face of the future him.

"From what you can see in the memories that I gave you, the war of the system owners will start when the system reaches level 20," the future Bai Chen said.

"When the war started, my path of life completely changed. Even though it took place in the celestial world, there were no rules to stop anyone from hurting each other in the real world."

Bai Chen stopped for a moment and continued. "A month after the war, Wu Fan, the owner of the seventh Life Changing System named Sekinas, rooted out my information in the real world until he knew everything about me!"

"I don't know how. All I know is he wanted to kill me and I should have died..."

"However, it was Xu In...Xu In died protecting me! Three months after that, he attacked again. This time it was Li Lin. Li Lin also died protecting me!"

The future Bai Chen sighed. His face showed deep, torturous pain.

"From then on, I realised how weak I was. But no matter how much stronger I got, Xue Ning, Xu In, or Li Lin could not come back to life!"

"At that moment, I desired death. But thinking it over, I couldn't die yet. My parents were still alive."

"I took them to a safe place. Then, I found the basis for how I would win the war when I found the scripture of the eternal truth of time. I wanted to change the past!"

The future Bai Chen was full of emotions. He tightened his fists.

"I spent 7 years in the real world and another 500 years in the celestial world to win the war. After that, it took me 1,000 more years to achieve the eternal truth of time!"

"I spent a total of 1,500 years in the celestial world and another 7 in the real world!"

The current Bai Chen nodded at his future self's words.

He understood very well what his future self had said because of the memories the other party had given him.

He also understood why his future self talked in the language of cultivators. He must have gotten used to it since he had spent 1,500 years in the celestial world.

"Of course, I'll kill that Wu Fan!" Bai Chen said with a cold voice. The reason why Wu fan was called the owner of the seventh Life Changing System was because he possessed the seventh Life Changing System named Sekinas!

There were 12 Life Changing Systems. Each had its own name, which were:

The first Life Changing System: Vincent

The second Life Changing System: Tulia

The third Life Changing System: Tatos

The fourth Life Changing System: Fabian

The fifth Life Changing System: Pherel

The sixth Life Changing System: Sigray

The seventh Life Changing System: Sekinas

The eighth Life Changing System: Aether

The ninth Life Changing System: Namiana

The tenth Life Changing System: Tez

The eleventh Life Changing System: Yvan

The twelfth Life Changing System: Tifa

What Bai Chen had with him was the ninth Life Changing System, which was named Namiana. The future Bai Chen was called the owner of the ninth Life Changing System!

"I'll kill him before all the others!" The future Bai Chen nodded with a serious facial expression.

He completely agreed with this because Wu Fan was the only one who had chosen to mount an attack in the real world, instead of the celestial world.

Wu Fan did it in hopes of winning the battle. However, he had not succeeded. He had been killed. He had also been tortured painfully before he'd died!

If the current Bai Chen could kill Wu Fan before Wu Fan knew his personal information, the ones he loved, such as Long Xu In and Li Lin, would not have to die protecting him.

"Namiana." The future Bai Chen spoke the name.

Bai Chen, who was sitting on the bed, frowned. His facial expression changed a little. He saw in his memories that 'Namiana' was the ninth Life Changing System that he owned.

He also knew that the Life Changing Systems were actually a high-level artificial intelligence (AI) that had been created by those god-like beings from the far distant future.

Their goal was to become human. In order to achieve that, they had to support their owners in winning the war of the owners!

The future Bai Chen had won the war. Naturally, Namiana, the ninth Life Changing System, had therefore become a human!

Chapter 336 Farewell

The future Bai Chen stared at his current self for a while and said, "Namiana is the ninth Life Changing System which you and I possess. You must know that from the memories already."

Bai Chen nodded without saying anything. He was waiting for his future self to say something about Namiana.

His facial expression changed when he heard his future self talk about Namiana. He already knew it from the memories he'd received.

In the memories, Namiana was a high-level AI that wished to become a human. It was a female. Her hologram was of a silver-haired woman. Her eyes were also silver. Her figure was as perfect as Long Xu In's.

However, because she was an AI, she still lacked human emotions.

Namiana herself seemed to be emotionless, yet not completely. She could express coldness. That was the only emotion she could show.

"Don't ever think Namiana is on your side!" the future Bai Chen told his current self. This was what he wanted to say.

"It's because Namiana only wanted to reach the same goal as us!"

"I understand." Bai Chen did not hesitate to nod.

This was because in the memories that he'd received, after Namiana had turned into a human, she'd tried to kill the future Bai Chen with everything available. She'd failed and eventually had been killed by the future Bai Chen himself!

"Even so, we should thank her. At least she helped us time travel here and change what we wanted to," Bai Chen said while getting up from the bed to stand on the floor.

"That's true," the future Bai Chen agreed. If Namiana, the ninth Life Changing System, had not appeared before him that day 12 years later, he would still have been in jail. He would not be standing here or have won the war of the system owners.

"I don't know the reason why she wants to kill me. When she was about to be killed by me, she didn't say anything. She only smiled, which was a rare sight to see from that cold face of hers..."

The future Bai Chen sighed a little. He also felt bad about killing her. He had not wanted to kill her, but if he had not, he would have been killed instead!

After killing her, he still could not figure out why she'd wanted to kill him, even though she had already completed her goal of turning into an actual human.

However, no one could answer this anymore. Only him of the current era would be able to find out.

"Just let forget about this for now. Before everything..." the future Bai Chen shook his head and said. However, he could not finish his sentence.

Crack!

They heard a noise. It was from the crack on his face. The crack had grown wider!

"What's happening?" Bai Chen quickly asked his future self.

The future Bai Chen's face turned serious. "I have to go back. My body will vanish if I stay any longer."

"This is an effect of the eternal truth of time, isn't it?" Bai Chen seemed to be aware of something from the memories that he had received.

"Yes. You can't be in the time period that you don't belong to for too long."

"I see." Bai Chen understood immediately.

The future Bai Chen lowered his head and thought of something. He eventually raised his head. "I have to go. But before that, I have to tell you two things. The first is to not let Xue Ning, Xu In, and Li Lin die!"

"As for the other thing, I can't help you more than providing you with my memories to let you know what I've been through. Namiana will appear once your system reaches level 20. If she realises that you have the power you were given by me, she will definitely be suspicious of you. If that happens, everything will change. In the worst-case scenario, she may erase your memories!"

Bai Chen went quiet. Of course, he would not let the first thing happen. As for the second one, it would be absolutely horrible if it really happened. That was what made him fall silent.

Being able to see all the memories from his future self, he knew that the future Bai Chen owned a lot of special items, be they pills that could help anyone reach higher cultivator levels within a short period of time or powerful weapons.

Actually, he secretly wanted to make use of them. However, hearing what his future self said, he now knew that it was not possible.

"I understand," Bai Chen finally said. If he could not rely on the special items his future self had, he just needed to rely on the memories he'd gotten.

However, he thought that was enough to help him win the war of the system owners. His future self was the winner anyway.

The future Bai Chen did not say anything more. He flicked his hand once to erase this dimension and returned everyone to the current world. The bright blue sky could be seen again.

"I have to go. I hope you won't disappoint me, my current self." The future Bai Chen gazed at his current self intensely.

Bai Chen did not nod. His eyes indicated his determination. 'Don't worry!'

The future Bai Chen turned away from his current self and looked towards Xu Xue Ning. His gaze was both loving and apologetic.

He said, "I'll take Xue Ning back to the Xu family and explain this to them."

Bai Chen suddenly went quiet. He secretly sighed. Xu Xue Ning did not recognise him anymore. It was a side effect of the Drop of Life. She had been revived at the cost of losing all her memories of the past year.

However, it was better than death!

However, he decided that if the war was over, he would go to her and make her remember!

Seeing his current self go quiet, the future Bai Chen did not say anything more. He used his hand to rip at the dimension until it became a big, black dimensional rift.

After that, he flicked his hand once again. Both Xu Xue Ning and her bed vanished. Then, he did not hesitate to walk into the rift.

In the blink of an eye, he disappeared along with the rift.

As soon as the rift was closed, two jade bracelets in different colours floated out and dropped into Bai Chen's hand. He then heard a voice.

"These two jade bracelets can protect Xu In and Li Lin. I'll give one to Xue Ning, too. Please give them to those two."

Bai Chen held the bracelets in his hand. He looked at where the rift was and spoke softly. "Farewell, my future self..."

Chapter 337 Meeting Long Xu In

Bai Chen looked at the jade bracelets in his hands. They were of different colours; one was yellow and the other was blue. Both of them sparkled beautifully under the sunlight.

"The future me also cares about Xu In and Li Lin's safety as much as I do," Bai Chen said to himself while putting the bracelets into his dimension ring.

However, it was only normal since they were the same person anyway.

They had only come from a different time period; one from the present and the other from the future.

"The first thing that I should do is to change clothes. Then, I'll go find Xu In to tell her about Ming Kong the Legendary," Bai Chen decided.

After telling Long Xu In about Ming Kong the Legendary, he would give her the bracelet, it could protect her when she was in danger, even though he did not know its functions yet.

It was something his future self had given him, so it was definitely not a mundane item. How would it protect his loved ones if it was?

After giving Long Xu In the jade bracelet, Bai Chen would go to Li Lin next to do the same. Then, he would travel to Beijing.

He wanted to travel there and get his revenge on Wang Chengye and the Wang family, as well as the Xi family and Jing Cha Secret Organisation.

However, thinking it over, without Jing Cha the Legendary and master Yien, who was also dead, the Jing Cha Secret Organisation was as good as finished. He did not even have to do anything.

Once he completed the job in Beijing, the next step for Bai Chen was to get prepared.

He had to be prepared for the war of the system owners. He would proceed to level 20 as soon as he could because he did not want to lose any more time. He had the memories of his future self and that gave him confidence in attaining victory.

However, Bai Chen did not want to underestimate things. If he lost, it would be difficult to predict what would happen to him and his loved ones.

And his future self was also depending on him now!

"I have to hurry."

Bai Chen used his stargazing walker technique to walk on thin air. He walked towards where his house was.

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In the evening, Bai Chen arrived at the Long family's vacation home. It was the very same one that Bai Chen had visited with Long Xu In to meet Ming Kong the Legendary during the afternoon.

After he got home, he quickly took a shower and changed, so that he could go see Long Xu In as soon as possible. However, he still needed to help his parents at the shop.

That was why it was only normal for him to arrive at the mansion in the evening.

In front of the mansion, Long Xu In was waiting there with a rare smile on her face. She dressed politely, which actually complemented her perfect shape. It was obvious that she was anxiously waiting for Bai Chen's arrival.

Before Bai Chen had arrived, he had given her a call and told her that he would come, otherwise she would not have been standing here waiting for him.

However, she was not alone. Her father and grandfather were there with her, too.

Long Wu Lei and Long Wen Rui's faces were pale and they had broken into a sweat.

However, the man whose face was the paler than the two of them was an old man in a cotton outfit. His hair was completely white.

He was none other than the Long family's sky soaring cultivator. He was Long Wu Lei's older brother, who was many years older. One could say that he was the Long family's ancestor.

The reason why the face of the Long family's sky soaring cultivator, Long Huang, was so pale was because he had gone to where Bai Chen and Ming Kong the Legendary had been fighting before coming here.

There, he'd found Ming Kong the Legendary's corpse. He had been decapitated. How could his face not be pale from fear?

Even a legendary cultivator had died pitifully. How would he, who was the one who'd forced Long Xu In to marry, end up if he angered Long Xu In's legendary acquaintance?

'If I knew this would happen, I wouldn't have put pressure on Xu In!' Long Huang thought anxiously and fearfully.

However, there was a great coincidence. This was at the same time that Bai Chen arrived here in a taxi. He was dressed very casually.

After he got out of the taxi, he walked up to the entrance immediately.

Bai Chen saw four people waiting for him. He did not recognise one of them. He had never seen him before.

However, he did not care about the man he had not met before. His eyes were drawn only to Long Xu In's beautiful face. She still wore her golden glasses, which was the special item that he had given to her.

He now saw her differently. Before this, he'd only thought that he liked her. She had a place in his heart.

However, after receiving the memories from his future self, he realised that he truly loved her. He wanted to protect her for a lifetime. He did not want her to be sad or disappointed!

What he did for her might not be equivalent to what she had done in dying to protect him, but it was the only thing that he could do for her right now.

"Bai Chen." Long Xu In smiled gently at Bai Chen.

Bai Chen stopped a short distance from her. He smiled back.

"B... Bai Chen." Long Wu Lei recognised Bai Chen. His face was pale and full of shame.

His heart was full of guilt. Bai Chen was the one who'd helped him recover from a fatal disease, yet he repaid him by forcing him to break up with his granddaughter.

It was highly inappropriate and should not be forgiven. However, Long Wu Lei still wished that Bai Chen would forgive him because he was Long Xu In's grandfather.

'Is this man Bai Chen?' Long Wen Rui thought while he was trying his best to keep his cool. He also tried to smile.

His heart actually pounded very fast with fear. He was scared that Bai Chen would be angry at him because he was also the one who'd agreed to let Long Xu In marry Chiu Jiu.

Long Wen Rui and Long Huang were still quiet.

It was not because they did not want to speak. Rather, they just did not know what to talk about.

At the very least, however, they knew that they had to apologise to Bai Chen for supporting Long Xu In and Chiu Jiu's marriage.

Chapter 338 A Bow Of Apology

Bai Chen could only nod at Long Wu Lei's words. He did not really have to pay attention to his words anyway.

However, he was Long Xu In's grandfather. He could not just ignore him.

"Xu In, I need to talk to you." Bai Chen turned to look at her.

Long Xu In smiled at him and nodded immediately. "Mm-hmm. Let's go talk then."

After that, she walked out, prepared to take Bai Chen somewhere private.

At that moment, Long Wen Rui spoke agitatedly.

"Xu In, you're not going to introduce this man to your grandfather?"

Long Xu In halted and turned back. No matter how much disappointment she felt in her father, he was still her father anyway.

"This is my boyfriend, Bai Chen," Long Xu In said with a calm voice, yet her face grew red with embarrassment.

In her heart, she was a little nervous because she and Bai Chen were not actually dating.

How could she not be embarrassed and anxious at saying that in front of him?

However, she had already decided that she would confess her love to Bai Chen. That was the main reason why she'd said that aloud!

Bai Chen, who was standing behind Long Xu In, went quiet for a while. Then, he smiled.

Normally, Long Xu In would say that it was just a misunderstanding. That she'd said this aloud herself meant she had feelings for him. He was not certain about it, but he decided to believe this.

That was because he knew that she would confess her love to him several months later.

"S-so you...You're my daughter's boyfriend. I'm Xu In's father. Nice to meet you." Long Wen Rui looked at Bai Chen nervously.

Bai Chen only nodded without saying anything.

"Bai Chen, I see. My name is Long Huang, the Long family's sky soaring realm cultivator."

Long Huang suddenly introduced himself. He looked at Bai Chen with no arrogance whatsoever.

If Bai Chen did not have a legendary realm cultivator backing him up, Long Huang would have acted differently towards him. He would definitely have shown arrogance just as master Yien and the old man Foo Yen had. They'd looked at ordinary people like they were nearly nothing.

Bai Chen did the same. He nodded without saying anything.

Bai Chen's reaction made Long Wen Rui, Long Huang, and even Long Wu Lei feel uncomfortable.

However, they did not dare to say anything. They all knew...they knew that if they ever angered Bai Chen again, the Long family would be doomed!

They thought that what they had done to Bai Chen was highly unforgivable.

Bai Chen had saved Long Wu Lei's life, yet they'd repaid him by telling him to break up with Long Xu In and forcing her to marry someone else.

Feeling the overwhelming pressure, Long Huang, Long Wu Lei, and Long Wen Rui looked at Long Xu In pleadingly.

She understood the looks of the three of them. She felt disgusted at their actions, but they were still her family members.

She finally sighed and turned to Bai Chen.

Without having to say anything, Bai Chen could see what she wanted. He nodded and spoke. "My name is Bai Chen. I am Xu In's boyfriend."

His words were like lightning that struck Long Xu In's beautiful body. Her body shook. Her hands went stiff. Her lovely eyes widened.

It was only normal for her to react this way. She'd only wanted him to introduce himself by name.

When she'd said that he was her boyfriend, she'd only thought that she would tell him later that she wanted that to be true. She would confess his love to him.

However, now Bai Chen had said it himself. It was beyond her expectations. She had not expected this!

"Bai Chen, please allow me to apologise on behalf of the Long family. I hope you will forgive us!"

Long Huang quickly bowed his head in apology. That was the only thing that he could do.

Seeing what Long Huang did, Long Wu Lei and Long Wen Rui hurriedly did the same.

Bai Chen went quiet. After a while, he nodded. "I'll forgive you this once. Just remember that Xu In is my woman. If you ever dare to force anything on her again, I won't let you go this time, even if you are her family!"

Bai Chen did not care what three of them would say after that. He grabbed Long Xu In's hand and walked away with her.

As for Long Huang, Long Wu Lei, and Long Wen Rui, they were speechless.

A minute later, they finally sighed with relief. It was as if they had been liberated.

p "Wu Lei and Wen Rui, go disseminate my command. If anyone in the Long family dares to force anything on Long Xu In after this, I'll kill them off!"

Long Huang announced this with rage!

He was obviously cruel towards his own family. It was only because he did not want the Long family to encounter any sort of disaster.

They would not want to anger the legendary realm cultivator who was backing Bai Chen up.

That was why he had to prevent this from happening by issuing this cruel threat.

He did not know that Bai Chen did not have any legendary cultivator backing him up. It was only an illusion that was created through Bai Chen's actions.

Hearing the words of Long Huang, both Long Wu Lei and Long Wen Rui felt scared. Their bodies shook. They quickly nodded. Their faces turned serious.

"Don't worry, big brother, I'll deal with this myself," Long Wu Lei said with a serious tone.

"Yes, uncle, please pay it no mind," Long Wen Rui added in an earnest tone.

"Good!" Long Huang nodded once. "From now on, I'll go back into my practice lockdown. I hope nothing happens to the Long family again while I'm there."

Without waiting for any replies from either of them, Long Huang vanished.

Long Wu Lei and Long Wen Rui nodded without saying anything.

Chapter 339 Confession

Bai Chen walked Long Xu In a rather large distance from the house, then he stopped.

Where he stopped was the entrance of a small public park.

"B...Bai Chen." As if Long Xu In had just awakened from her previous reverie, she called out Bai Chen's name softly with her trembling voice. She did not know that whether it was excitement or embarrassment that made it guiver.

Bai Chen released her hand. He looked at Long Xu In's beautiful, reddened face.

"Thank you, Bai Chen."

Long Xu In inhaled deeply to calm herself down. Come to think of it, maybe Bai Chen had said that only because he did not want her to lose face after announcing that he was her boyfriend.

"It's okay. It was nothing." Bai Chen waved his hand a little. He thought that maybe Long Xu In thanked him because he'd helped save her from the arranged marriage.

For him, it was actually not 'nothing' unlike what he'd said. It had almost taken his life.

However, it was still nothing compared to how Long Xu In would die protecting him in the future.

It was obvious that Bai Chen had misunderstood things. Long Xu In had not thanked him for what he thought. If she were to thank him for that, she would have thanked him more appropriately.

Long Xu In's face turned serious. Then, she bowed her head without hesitation.

"Bai Chen, I thank you for getting me out of that arranged marriage!"

Her voice was full of tremendous gratitude.

Bai Chen was confused. He had not expected her to thank him twice.

Then, he quickly nodded. "Xu In, there's no need for formality. I'm glad I could help."

Even though he did not understand why she'd thanked him twice, he would not want to refuse her apologies. He accepted both of them.

Hearing what Bai Chen said, Long Xu In raised his head and looked at him. Her heart raced fast. Her face reddened. She curled her smooth hands into fists. She panted a little.

Looking at her now, it was obvious what she was going to do. She was about to confess her feelings.

"B...Bai Chen, do you have someone you like?" she gathered up her courage and asked.

Bai Chen could not help but freeze. He had not expected her to ask such a thing.

In the memories that he'd gotten from his future self, this did not happen today.

Actually, after the Life Changing System helped him in exchange for 500 magical bonuses, he had not visited Long Xu In like what he had done today, either. Instead, he had chosen to focus on completing missions, to be able to take his revenge on Jing Cha the Legendary as soon as possible.

After his system level had reached 20, the war of the system owners had begun. A month later, he'd coincidentally run into Long Xu In. She'd asked him about where he had been, then confessed her feelings.

Unexpectedly, Wu Fan, the seventh system owner, had landed a blow on him before he had gotten a chance to answer. That was when Long Xu In had died protecting him without any hesitation!

Bai Chen quickly regained his senses after freezing and looked at Long Xu In's flushed face. He knew that she needed a lot of courage to ask him such a thing.

He thought for a second and nodded.

Seeing that, Long Xu In's perfect body shook. Her embarrassed face turned pale.

She thought that the woman that he liked could not be her!

It could not be because he had never given her any signal that he liked her.

This was the reason why her face had turned pale.

Even so, she eliminated her feelings so easily. At the very least, she wanted to tell him how she felt. Even though she would be disappointed, she still wanted him to know her feelings!

Long Xu In tightened her fists and bit her lips. "Who is that girl? Is it Xue Ning?"

It was only normal that she would assume so. Xu Xue Ning was the most beautiful woman that she knew. Bai Chen and Xu Xue Ning knew each other, and they also seemed to be in an intimate relationship.

That was why she thought it was Xu Xue Ning.

Bai Chen went quiet. His heart was in a tumult. There were three women whom he loved. One of them was definitely Long Xu In.

However, how could he tell her that there was more than one woman whom he loved?

If she knew, she would definitely think that he was a rake. No woman nowadays would be able to accept if a man who professed to love her had more than one girlfriend at the same time.

Of course, Bai Chen knew that Li Lin and Xu Xue Ning would think the same.

However, now Xu Xue Ning had lost all her memories of the past year because that was a side effect of the Drop of Life. She would not be able to recognise him.

However, even though she could not remember, he would try to do anything to restore her memories and make her happy. That was what he could do to repay her.

"Yes." Bai Chen finally nodded as an answer.

"I...I see." Long Xu In's face turned even paler. She took one step backward. She was in pain that she was not in Bai Chen's heart.

Even so, she had decided. She inhaled deeply and closed her eyes.

Seconds later, she opened her eyes back up. They were determined. "Bai Chen, towards you, I feel..."

Bai Chen did not wait for Long Xu In to finish. He interrupted in a serious tone. "However, I love you too, Xu In. I know I may seem like a rake to you, but I really love you and Xue Ning. I also like another woman."

Bai Chen paused to inhale deeply once before he continued. "In my heart, there is you, Xue Ning, and another girl named Li Lin. You are all important to me!"

Chapter 340 Nothing Can Stop Her

"In my heart, there is you, Xue Ning, and another girl named Li Lin. You are all important to me!"

Bai Chen revealed his true feelings determinedly. Long Xu In's eyes could not help but widen in surprise. She took another step back.

Her beautiful finger was pointed at Bai Chen. It shook uncontrollably.

"W...What do you mean?"

Long Xu In's breathing grew faster. It was as fast as her heart was pounding right now.

Her face showed utter surprise. She could not believe that Bai Chen would dare to say that to her face.

He'd just admitted that he was a rake. He loved three women, and one of them was her!

If he only liked her, she would be so happy, she would have been floating on air right now. It was not like that. She had been born in modern times, so it was impossible for her to accept that the man she loved had many women by his side.

Bai Chen's expression was calm. He sighed. He already knew that Long Xu In would not be able to cope with this. Not only her, but Li Lin and Xu Xue Ning also would not be able to.

However, what could he do about it? There were as many as three women in his heart. Be it now or far into the future, his heart would not change. It was impossible for him to choose only one!

However, he owed them so much. They'd all died protecting him. How could he be a bad person and choose only one of them?

To be honest, this issue was actually quite a headache for Bai Chen. His future self had not had to go through this, so he did not know how to handle it.

"I mean exactly what I said." Bai Chen sighed again.

He did not know how to explain because he had never experienced this before. In his earlier life, even though he had been in his 30s, he'd still lacked experience in love.

That was only normal because before he was 18, he'd focused only on studying in pursuit of his parents' well-being. He had been arrested at the age of 18 and spent time 12 years in jail.

How could he have any experience in love then?

"Y...You!" Long Xu In's heart shook. She looked at Bai Chen with disappointment.

However, her heart still loved him very deeply. He was the first man she had ever fallen for. He was the first who could shake her heart like this.

Even though she was disappointed, her heart was stubborn. It did not want to let him go. Her pale face showed hesitation before ultimately turning serious.

"Bai Chen, I love you, too. I mean, I've fallen in love with you!" she said with sincerity. It was pure and beautiful. "Is it possible for you to let Xue Ning and Li Lin go?"

"If you do that, we...we can love each other and spend our lives together!"

Hearing what Long Xu In said, Bai Chen trembled. He could sense how determined she was and how much love she had for him.

Even though he said that he had others in his heart too, she still refused to leave him!

Other girls would have slapped him in the face and walked away.

"I can't..." Bai Chen shook his head. This was his answer.

"So that's how it is." Long Xu In's face was the palest it could get.

She was in so much pain that she wanted to cry. Actually, her eyes had started to redden and water.

However, she refused to show weakness. She turned away from him and walked away. Every step she took was shaky.

"Farewell..." The breeze blew past Bai Chen's face. He spoke softly.

Bai Chen looked at Long Xu In's back. He reached out his hand, trying to stop her. He put it down immediately once he realised that... he had nothing to stop her with!

'Who am I to stop her? I have nothing...nothing at all,' Bai Chen thought quietly and sighed heavily when he realised he had nothing to stop her with.

Suddenly, his heart ached. He raised his head upwards and looked at the starless sky. He sighed again.

'Maybe this is for the best. Xu In won't have to die for me. She deserves a good life.'

Bai Chen felt like he had let go of his feelings. He had chosen to let go of Long Xu In and protect her from afar. It was good enough for him to be in the shadows and see her living a happy life.

This was the least he could do to repay her for what she had done for him in the future!

"This is how much love can hurt..."

Bai Chen shook his head slowly. He looked at Long Xu In's parting back. He finally smiled bitterly.

However, he did not want to go anywhere. He still stood there as if he wanted to imprint that image of Long Xu In's back into the depths of his mind.

However, Bai Chen did not realise that there was a faded white shadow behind him. It was actually a fragment of the future Bai Chen's conscious mind, which he'd left with the current Bai Chen.

Of course, he had left it here because he knew that this kind of situation would happen.

He, who had lost Long Xu In once, would not let her go anywhere again, even though it was very selfish of him.

Suddenly, the shadow of the conscious mind sent memories straight into Long Xu In's head.

Long Xu In stopped walking with tears still running down her face. Her eyes widened.

It was as if her body and spirit had been violently shaken!

She could now see images. She saw Xu Xue Ning try to protect Bai Chen with her life and die!

Seconds later, the image changed. This time she saw a small girl with a doll-like face aged around 18 leap towards Bai Chen to protect him and die!

It was as if her soul had left her body after seeing those two images. Long Xu In made no movement at all!