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Chapter 1111. Sudden! (1)

However, Qi Lei did not plan on speaking up. He was just going to wait and see how this panned out.

Gu Qiwu fell silent as he met with Li Si's gaze and was about to say something when Gu Lingsha suddenly said coldly in a low voice, "Gu Qiwu, you'd better think this through!"

Doris was actually quite clear about the intentions behind playing this video.

If Gu Qiwu dared to admit his relationship with Mu Zi right now, it would mean that he had abandoned her, and Doris was the third party that had interfered with their relationship because everyone was all clear about how Mu Lingtian had indeed been born before she had gotten together with Gu Qiwu. That was Mu Zi's secret behind her reason for leaving the entertainment industry years ago.

At that very moment, Doris had to admit that even though Mu Yuchen had done it in a rather despicable manner, the effect was palpable. The crowd began to discuss, and clearly, their fingers were pointing the blame on her and Gu Qiwu.

Mu Zi had become the pitiful, abandoned woman while Gu Qiwu had become a cheater and Doris was the third party that had swooped in and stolen him away.

Who was Mu Zi? What right did she have to fight for the same man?

Doris had always been prideful. Obviously, she knew Mu Zi before this, but she had not acknowledged her at all!

When it came to looks, she had always thought that she surpassed Mu Zi. As for their background, there was nothing to even compare. After all, Doris was royalty whereas her father and brothers all had high statuses. Compared to Mu Zi, she was clearly victorious!

In fact, all these years, numerous men have fallen for her charm, and Gu Qiwu was no different.

"Tell them that person isn't you!" Doris said with a commanding tone that did not allow Gu Qiwu to reject her!

"Father, tell them that the person can't be you! They're just here to crash the occasion! Father, tell them!" Gu Lingsha's eyes were filled with concern and uneasiness at this moment as she quickly looked at Gu Qiwu and pleaded nervously.

"Someone, please escort them out. If you're here to congratulate us, then welcome, but since you're here just to crash the event, then please make your way out!" Qi Feng's raspy voice possessed a hint of hostility to it. To emphasize his point, a few men in black came up to them.

"They're just here to ask about a small matter. What are you so worried for? People will think that was really Uncle Gu. Uncle Gu, if it wasn't you, please explain it to everyone. They're all waiting for you to continue eating!" Qi Le's demonic voice came through.

Without objecting, Qi Qiming silently watched this scene before him because he wanted to know what all of this was about too!

"Miss Mu Zi has waited over 30 years for this explanation, and so has the Mu family. There's also Master Mu Lingtian, who has passed on, and Miss Mu Lingshi. They've waited for many years now! When you've all been living a jolly good life, have you ever thought of them? I think that everyone has been kept guessing when the news of Miss Mu Zi's fall to her death broke, and Elder Madam Mu just passed away a few days ago. All of these tragedies revolve around this man. If you were bold enough to do it, why won't you be bold enough to admit it?" Li Si smiled at Gu Qiwu, his tone saturated with a hint of disdain.

"Assistant Li, you need to have evidence when it comes to the things you say. It's best if you don't speak off the cuff! Our boss and madam have always been a loving couple. They're very much in love. Your words are clearly meant to drive a wedge between them so that we won't doubt you or suspect Chairman Mu's intentions!"

Ah Yong noticed that the situation was not right, he looked coldly at Li Si and spoke out too.

Li Si slowly took out a document from the folder that a bodyguard held, and he waved it. "Mr. Gu, don't you think so too?"

"Morrison, get them out of here!" A dark light flashed in Qi Feng's eyes as all his worries became even more prominent.

"Don't you want to see what this document says, Mr. Gu?"

The bodyguards beside Li Si went up too to stop the security detail.

Gu Qiwu's expression became even more stern and cold as he fixed his gaze on Li Si. If that gaze could kill, Li Si probably would have died quite a few times by now.

Meanwhile, Doris and Gu Lingsha stared coldly at Gu Qiwu too.

The entire banquet hall instantly became silent, stifled, and uneasy. The crowd that had still been whispering before this had all stopped talking as they watched the people on stage.

Even Qi Lei could feel that indescribable feeling of suffocation and see the struggle on Gu Qiwu's face.

While Doris pursed her lips, you could see the anger in her beautiful eyes. Despite seeing Gu Qiwu's swollen face following her slap, the fury in her heart did not reduce one bit. She turned to her side and said softly by Gu Qiwu's ear, "If you want to walk the path to your own doom, then admit to it! I'll never forgive you!"

Gu Qiwu's eyes darkened. After a momentary silence, he signaled to Ah Yong who understood and took the document to hand to Gu Qiwu. To everyone's horror, Gu Qiwu did not even look at it before he burned it...

"Tell Mu Yuchen to talk to me by himself. I know that he's got a huge prejudice against me, but I think he's underestimated me by using such tricks. The Mus and the Gus' relationship have long been strained. Mu Zi and I...at most, we were just friends. I don't know what's the meaning of all this, so it's best if you let him speak to me himself."

Gu Qiwu had calmed down now. His gloomy expression earlier was now replaced with helplessness mixed with feigned innocence.
Bam!
Ka ka!
Right at this moment, Gu Qiwu had not finished when the door was suddenly flung open and the crowd immediately looked towards it.
A slender figure suddenly appeared at the door.
Dressed in loose, casual clothes as her beautiful hair fell on her shoulders, she wore large-framed spectacles and looked quite pale. Nonetheless, she was indeed a beauty. She just looked a little wan and sallow and seemed quite fatigued.
Who else could it be but Mu Lingshi?
She stood quietly at the wide-open door, her hands still positioned in the way as when she had opened the door. Slowly, she looked up and then her cool gaze looked towards Gu Qiwu.
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When Li Si saw Mu Lingshi's familiar figure, he cried out, "Miss Lingshi!"
"She's Mu Lingshi?"
"Yes, that's her! I've met her before at Imperial Sky Entertainment City! She's a pretty good DJ. Quite a few of us go there for her sets!"
"They do look quite similar. You can almost see Mu Zi's shadows in her features. Years ago, when Mu Zi was her age, she looked similar to her now. They are indeed mother and daughter!"

"That's right, it's her! Mu Lingshi!"

As the crowd began to discuss, Mu Lingshi could not hide from the cameras.

With her unexpected appearance, Gu Qiwu's expression froze as he looked at Mu Lingshi in shock. All of a sudden, he was speechless.

Shocked, Gu Lingsha and Doris exchanged a look. Evidently, they were annoyed!

Mu Lingshi walked step by step towards them.

"Miss Lingshi, why are you here? Didn't Master tell you to stay put at home?" Li Si walked up worriedly. She had probably heard what he said earlier. Who would be happy to hear such things?

Mu Lingshi did not answer and she pushed him away. Then, she took a fruit knife from the dining cart on the side and walked up to Gu Qiwu in a few steps. Everyone's expressions changed when they saw this. They were worried and stunned as they watched Mu Lingshi.

Gu Lingsha and the rest took a few steps back reflexively as they cautiously observed Mu Lingshi who was walking over with a murderous air around her!

"Mu Lingshi! What are you trying to do?!" Gu Lingsha shouted a little anxiously.

"If you don't want to die, then buzz off! Stay away! Go away!" Mu Lingsha threatened coldly. She pointed the knife in her hand at Gu Lingsha, frightening the latter until she took a few steps back.

Then, Mu Lingsha quickly stopped in front of Gu Qiwu. She looked up at him with her gaze as frigid as snow.

"Ah Shi..." Gu Qiwu's eyes were filled with mixed emotions, yet he still called out to her.

A smile flashed on Mu Lingshi's face, yet that smile looked a little tragic and lonely. "From the moment I could understand, my parents weren't even my parents. My parents are smart people. They always thought that my real parents abandoned me and Lingtian out of helplessness, and even let us siblings understand them to see it from your point of view so as not to resent them.

"I believed them. The truth was that I always believed that my real parents had no choice but to abandon us. All these years, my brother, Lingtian and I never stopped looking for our father, but..."

Mu Lingshi's sorrowful voice suddenly stopped as she glared at Gu Qiwu. "My father's really good to me. He's my hero. During the summer break when I was seven years old, right before a typhoon, he went to a village for inspection. He brought my mother and me along with him. It was a bumpy ride. On the first night that we arrived at the village, I had a fever in the middle of the night. My father ran through the rain with my mother and rushed for 20 to 30 miles before they found a healthcare center. Because of this, later on, they worked with a cold for more than a month before they slowly recovered.

"When I was disappointed, my parents would accompany me. When I went to school, no matter how late he returned, the first thing my father would ask my mother would always be how the children were doing? How are Ah Tian and Ah Shi's homework coming along? That's why I thought that my real father would also be such a gentle and considerate person. How could it be him? Li Si, you've all got it wrong. This man could be anybody's father, but he's definitely not mine! My father is Mu Tangchuan. My father is Mu Tangchuan. There's no way it's him!"

Mu Lingshi's suppressed voice contained a hint of sorrow. She took in a few breaths and blinked away the tears that had welled up in her eyes.

"Miss Lingshi..." Li Si expression froze, yet his eyes were filled with concern. He went up and wanted to hold her, yet she stopped him.

"Do you hear that?! Since she's said so herself, then don't embarrass us and cause trouble here. It's my wedding today. Li Si, get your people out of here. We don't welcome you right now!" Gu Lingsha quickly seized the opportunity and said, "Mu Lingshi, I think you can all end this prank now. This is not Glory World! Don't come embarrassing yourselves here. Someone, bring them out!"

"Go away! Gu Lingsha, I have a score to settle with you too! Six years ago, my brother died for you, and how did you repay him after that? You were supposed to be my older brother's fiance, yet you colluded with someone else, wanting to hurt my brother! You even thought of marrying into the Mu family with

someone else's child. Only someone like you could do something this shameless! There isn't a single good person in the Gu family!"

Upon hearing that, Gu Lingsha's expression changed. She quickly spoke up to stop her, "Shut up! Mu Lingshi, don't spew nonsense here!"

"Nonsense? Why don't you explain how you and Qi Feng's daughter, Qi Weier, came about then? You were already pregnant when you were supposed to marry my brother! Do you think we don't know? You went to my brother's safe and wanted to take a top-secret document, but you were caught by Ah Mo, so you tried to escape and even involved my older brother who then sent out an order to chase after you. Unfortunately, you ended up in a car accident and my brother died. Qi Feng got hurt and still can't walk to this day, yet you want to blame this all on my older brother! You also keep on trying to hurt my sister-in-law. Have you told everyone about these?" Mu Lingshi's tone was sharp and cold while her eyes flickered with a sharp light that stared at Gu Lingsha's instantly pale face.

"Ah Shi, that's enough!" Gu Qiwu frowned as he instructed in a deep voice. He sounded helpless.

"Mr. Gu, this is between me and Miss Gu. It's got nothing to do with you, so you can shut up. Also, don't call me so intimately. You're nobody to me. I don't think we're at that level of closeness!" Mu Lingshi scolded Gu Qiwu loudly while her eyes stared at Gu Lingsha coldly!

"You killed my brother. How could I be siblings with someone like her? My grandmother's gone too. Why aren't you people dead instead? Sometimes, I really wish I could just kill all of you! Even thinking of your names makes me feel dirty, so tell me, how could I be family with scum like you?"

"Enough! Ah Shi, stop it now!" Gu Qiwu finally walked up to Mu Lingshi and held her back.

"Go away! Who are you to control me?! Who do you think you are?!"

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Mu Lingshi pushed him away coldly with a frown as she said disgustedly.

Gu Qiwu's stern face flashed with a subtle struggle. When his eyes met Mu Lingshi's cold gaze, his hand that reached out to her stopped mid-air, he did not know whether to continue or to pull it back.

"Ah Shi!"

"Stop calling me. Every one of you from the Gu family disgusts me!"

Mu Lingshi glared at Gu Qiwu disrespectfully. "Earlier, you were saying that you wanted my brother to come to talk to you by himself, but you don't deserve to talk to him. You're the same as Gu Lingsha. You think so highly of yourself. The whole family's like that."

"You do look like Mu Zi in some ways, but this manner of yours...Anyway, I do understand. How could you expect manners from a child with no parents?! You're the same as Mu Zi! You're arrogant and rebellious, causing trouble after another. I'm sure that Elder Madam Mu was angered to death by you lot!" Doris casually looked at her beautifully manicured nails as she accused nonchalantly. She did not rage then and there, but you could hear a hint of sternness in her tone.

"Your good daughter went behind her own fiancè to have a child with another man before their marriage. She failed to be a spy and eloped with someone else. You really did teach her well with your royal manners! Daughters are just a reflection of their mothers, isn't that right in your case?" Mu Lingshi sneered.

1Doris's expression turned ugly at this point.

"Ah Shi!" Gu Qiwu called out again.

"Shut up! Stop calling me!" Mu Lingshi shouted coldly.

"Mu Lingshi, watch your mouth!" Gu Lingsha shouted, looking ashen as well.

"I think that our Miss Lingshi is right!" Li Si decided to add fuel to the fire. He laughed out loud and agreed!

"What? Unhappy? Did I hit you in the right spot? You look terrible."

A rude sneer flashed across Mu Lingshi's lips. She looked at Gu Lingsha with a faint smile. "You should know that you look like a clown to other people with your little farce. You thought you were so smart when you're actually a dumb woman, Gu Lingsha. Sometimes I do feel sorry for you. No matter where you end up, you're just a pitiful little chess piece! Mr. Gu, why are you looking at me like that? I heard that you dote on Doris like crazy and that you didn't spare astronomical numbers to marry her, but I do feel sorry for you too. I'm just worried that in the end, you were only paving the way for someone else, and that you'll end up with nothing!"

Mu Lingshi was implying something with her words. Gu Qiwu's expression changed at this moment while Doris's eyes suddenly flashed with a sinister light. Mu Lingshi could clearly see that her hands that fell by her side clenched at this moment as if she was holding something back!

When she saw Doris's face darken, she chuckled and casually played with the fruit knife in her hand. Suddenly, she walked behind Doris so swiftly that no one had time to react!

Gu Lingsha was shocked. She rushed over and shouted, "Mu Lingshi! What are you trying to do?!"

"Ah!"

Bam!

"Don't-"

"Lingsha!"

"Mother! Be careful!"

"Argh-"

Amidst the chaos, the crowd could not react in time as they only heard some cries and shrieks.

Gu Lingsha did not know what was going on. When she saw the fruit knife sway in Mu Lingshi's hand as she moved to stand behind her, she thought that she was going to do something to Doris. Her expression changed. Before she could consider it any further, she quickly went to Doris because she was worried that Mu Lingshi would go crazy and make a move on Doris!

As she went up to her, Doris did not have the time to react, the heel on her shoes twisted and she fell forward on the staircase before her. In fact, she rolled down and her shrieks were heard throughout every corner of the venue!

"Mother!"

"Doris!"

In shock, Gu Lingsha cried out almost at the same time as Gu Qiwu!

Even though those stairs were not steep, there were at least 20 to 30 of them. Furthermore, Gu Lingsha used too much force, so as Doris rolled down, she really looked like a monkey rolling down a watermelon as she rolled all the way to the ground!

The blood-curdling screech made Gu Lingsha jump. She could not care less as she rushed down. Gu Qiwu was quick on his feet too as he followed her down the stairs!

The crowd was in an uproar at this moment as they all surrounded Doris!

"Mother! Mother! Are you okay?" Gu Lingsha rushed down nervously as she quickly helped Doris, who was crying in pain, up. However, the smell of blood filled the air. Doris's expression was pale as a ghost while she endured the pain and glared at Gu Lingsha. Then, she gritted her teeth and lifted a hand to slap Gu Lingsha hard.

Pa!

With the sound of a tight slap, a swollen mark immediately appeared on Gu Lingsha's face, and a few of her sharp nails had scratched to show bloody scars as the corner of her lips immediately bled as well. She was stupefied!

Her ears kept ringing, and the pain from her face did not bring Gu Lingsha's thoughts back after she was slapped silly by Doris! She looked at Doris, stunned, and could not quite react!

"Mother...you..." Gu Lingsha looked at Doris with a dumbfounded expression. She had already forgotten the pain on her face.

Doris closed her eyes in pain and cried out. Her beautiful face was ashen, and she held tightly onto her stomach as she felt something slowly leaving her body!

2Nonetheless, her strong rationality told her that she had to withstand all of this pain. Otherwise, the outcome would be beyond repair!

Everything that she had been working hard to create would all be destroyed!

Why did she give birth to this moron?!

"Moron! Quickly send me to the hospital!" Doris endured the pain and shouted meanly.

At this moment, Gu Qiwu had caught up with them. "Doris! Are you okay?!"

When she saw Gu Qiwu's figure, Doris's blue eyes flashed with a panic that she could not hide. She closed her eyes subconsciously and shouted, "Don't come here! If you won't explain this whole thing, then let's get a divorce! I won't stand for something unreasonable!"

Then, Mu Lingshi's mocking laughter was heard. "Alright, Mr. Gu, I'll advise you to send Madam Gu to the hospital quickly. Otherwise, she'll probably lose the baby inside her! I heard that it's even a boy! Mr. Gu, you're really working hard. Having a baby at such an age, Madam Gu, you're quite strong yourself!"

Chapter 1114. Sudden! (4)

Mu Lingshi's words were as if a huge rock had just been dropped into a peaceful lake, causing quite a ripple!
Doris got pregnant!
Doris was pregnant!
Everyone widened their eyes as they looked over at Doris in Gu Lingsha's arms. Although Doris looked young and beautiful, she was actually already over 50 years old and her daughter already had a daughter of her own, yet she was now pregnant?
1Was Gu Qiwu going to have another child at this age?
However, Doris did not seem well right now as she looked extremely pale at the moment!
Gu Lingsha was dumbfounded!
What did Mu Lingshi say?
Doris was pregnant?
Her mother, Doris, was pregnant?
Gu Lingsha was shocked as she almost forgot about the pain from the slap. She was not sure whether to be happy about it or find it ridiculous. This sudden reveal was too shocking for her!
She never thought she would be getting a younger brother or sister!
No wonder Gu Qiwu had subtly mentioned it to her some time ago, asking whether she would like to have a younger sibling!

Could Doris have already been pregnant then?

Gu Lingsha's expression changed and her eyes looked lost as she glanced at Doris. However, she noticed that Doris was in pain as her whole body shuddered. Her face looked pale, but she clenched her teeth and did not make a sound.

Gu Lingsha came back to her senses when she could smell the coppery scent of blood. However, she was not strong enough to lift Doris up, so she looked at Gu Qiwu intently. "Father, send Mother to the hospital right now!"

When he did not reply, she felt a chill when she saw his darkened eyes as if they were sucking her right in.

"Father, what's wrong?" Gu Lingsha noticed something was not right, but then she heard Doris' short breaths.

"Send Mother to the hospital quickly, or else, it might be too late!" She started to freak out when she saw blood pooling between her mother's legs.

"Mr. Gu, you might want to act soon, or else, you might lose your son soon! You're really careless, Ms. Gu. You'd better start praying that your brother gets to live. It's already been almost two months, hasn't it?" Mu Lingshi grinned as if she was enjoying their reactions.

"Shut up, witch! Mother, are you okay? Someone, please, send her to the hospital!"

Gu Lingsha thought Gu Qiwu was in shock, so she waved at Morrison and the others. Then, a group of people quickly came over and moved Doris outside while Gu Lingsha followed behind them.

Gu Qiwu remained stationary as he watched the blood trails on the ground. He seemed to behave oddly.

Qi Feng and Qi Qiming traded glances at each other. They were filled with doubts. Qi Feng then asked Morrison to bring him to them whilst Qi Qiming stayed to deal with the guests. He gave Gu Qiwu a long,

hard stare. Suddenly, Gu Qiwu started talking to Mu Lingshi just as Qi Qiming was about to ask something.

"Were you telling the truth?" Gu Qiwu's expression darkened as he clenched his fists.

Qi Lei noticed his reaction and quickly went over to Mu Lingshi's side as he was worried that Gu Qiwu might hurt her.

"Uncle Gu, shouldn't you go and take a look at Aunt Gu? Shasha was really reckless this time!" Qi Lei put on a sly smile as he turned over and looked at the confused guests. "Everything that happened today was just an accident. The wedding ceremony ends here. Please don't mind us and continue with the feast. Enjoy the remaining shows!"

Mu Lingshi glanced over at Gu Qiwu coldly before turning around. "I'll remember what happened today. Please remember what you said just now, Mr. Gu!" With that cold message, she turned to leave.

"Ah Shi!"

As Gu Qiwu was about to grab Mu Lingshi's hand from behind, another hand was quicker than him to hold Mu Lingshi in his arms. Immediately, Li Si and the others went up to shield her as well.

"Long time no see, Mr. Gu!"

It was Ah Mo speaking. He had observed what happened just now. It felt like the whole drama had nothing to do with them anymore!

Ah Mo had actually tried to come up with ideas to help Lingshi resolve this issue, especially with Mu Zi's identity since the main cause of Wang Hui's death had been this unsightly matter.

However, he could not come up with any idea that could solve everything. He had no idea how to settle this issue as well, but he found it weird that the Master had told Ah Bo to investigate Doris. He did not know that he had found such a piece of information!

No wonder the Master told him that there was a huge gift for Qi Feng and Gu Lingsha!

This gift was enormous!

Doris was pregnant, Gu Lingsha had a brother, and Qi Feng had become a brother-in-law!

Gu Qiwu's expression looked horrible, but Mu Lingshi ignored him. "Let's go. I feel uncomfortable standing near people like them. Please don't bother my brother and sister-in-law ever again! Or else, you'll have problems with me!"

Mu Lingshi then turned around and left!

Chapter 1115. Sudden! (5)

Mu Yuchen and Zhou Zimo witnessed what just happened inside the banquet hall!

Zhou Zimo could not help but stare at Mu Yuchen after seeing Mu Lingshi leave and Gu Qiwu's stormy expression. "Gosh, is this the big gift you mentioned? That's a nuclear bomb right there!

"Also, is Doris really pregnant? At her age? Gu Qiwu still has got it! Unfortunately, with what happened just now, I don't think it's going to be good! Doris gave Gu Lingsha a good, tight slap as well. Things are going to get interesting!"

Zhou Zimo chuckled as he looked at Mu Yuchen who still seemed calm and did not say a thing while his gaze was fixed on the yellow streetlamp.

Zhou Zimo shrugged. "But, well, why did Lingshi go over? Didn't you say Li Si and the rest...?"

"Nonsense! Ah Mo didn't understand my words at all," Mu Yuchen voiced out moments later. Even he felt annoyed watching what unfolded just now. Naturally, Mu Lingshi, who was more sensitive, could feel it even more. She would surely feel sad after hearing those words directly from Gu Qiwu.

"You don't have to overthink this, Chen. Lingshi has her own thoughts. She might just feel responsible for what happened, but for real, this Gu Qiwu is really something. What a scumbag! I feel embarrassed

just knowing him. From yours and Lingshi's reactions, don't tell me Doris's child isn't Gu Qiwu's! His expression doesn't seem right! Also, how did you guys find out that Doris is pregnant?" Zhou Zimo asked.

However, he did not get any reply from Mu Yuchen. Just as he was about to say something, Mu Yuchen told the chauffeur, "Start the car."

"Yes, Master!" Chauffeur Wang noticed that Mu Yuchen was not in a good mood, so he gave a careful reply before starting the car.

The car slowly drove out and disappeared into the night moments later.

"I've gotten Ah Bo to keep an eye on Doris. I could sense that there's something more with Doris ever since I auctioned the pen. I can't exclude the possibility that she has spies here in City Z, so I told Ah Bo to keep an eye on her in secret, including the condition of Gu Lingsha and Qi Feng. That was also why I always told Ah Mo to not cause a scene because I don't want them to notice," Mu Yuchen explained himself sometime later.

"Ah Bo then found something wrong with Doris. She returns to the UK several times every year, so it shouldn't be suspicious, but Ah Bo caught onto something at the beginning of this year."

"Is Doris having an affair with someone?" Zhou Zimo caught on.

"I can't figure out why Doris kept quiet if she knew about Gu Qiwu's relationship with Lingshi. I only realized it some time ago. She was probably waiting for an opportunity. She was a little rushed when Qi Feng and Gu Lingsha got married behind her back. She should've come out and stopped the marriage sooner if she was actually concerned, but she didn't!" Mu Yuchen said calmly, his eyes darkened.

Zhou Zimo paused as he closed his laptop and gave it some thought. "I think I know what you mean. She wants to use this chance to expose Aunt and Gu Qiwu so that she can pretend to be an innocent bystander and file for a divorce. Gi Qiwu and her made a promise that one party would give the other 70% of their assets if they cheated on their partner. This is probably why Gu Qiwu didn't want to admit his relationship with Lingtian and Lingshi."

His expression darkened. "However, this means that Gu Qiwu still has feelings for Doris...I feel really bad for Aunt."

Mu Yuchen's expression turned cold. "There's no value in feelings. It only depends on whether you're willing to give or not. We can't comment on anything as outsiders, and we wouldn't know about her feelings as well. Only she would have understood."

"But-"

"There's no but. It's all in the past now. I just hope that my aunt, Lingtian, and Lingshi won't become the victims. I can't do much right now and this is the best I could do. Let's call it a night here. I've been getting busy lately. Regarding my grandfather, I might need your grandfather's help to visit him more often so that he would feel less lonely." Mu Yuchen massaged his temples.

Zhou Zimo nodded. "Don't worry!"

"Chauffeur Wang, stop at the junction in front. Let the people at the back send you home. I'm getting tired and would like to head home first," Mu Yuchen said quietly as he closed his eyes.

"Yes, Master!" Chauffeur Wang replied and quickly parked the car by the junction.

Zhou Zimo gave Mu Yuchen a pat on his shoulder. "Alright, I'll get off here, and I'll be keeping on eye on what happens. I'll tell Su Chen what happened. You should keep your mind free since it's been so hectic for you. Take a break."

He then left the car.

Chapter 1116. Twisted Affection (1)

The night was getting late and the cool wind blew as a calm moon hung in the bright sky.

In the study room on the second floor of Maple Residence, Xi Xiaye was done reading through the pile of documents on the table. She looked at the time on the clock, and it showed that it was almost midnight, yet there was still no sign of the man.

She thought about it and was worried, so she set aside the pen and took a coat from the bedroom to put on. She took her phone and went downstairs. As she was thinking about getting the car keys, she heard the sound of the car being parked outside.

Soon, the door was opened and she put the car keys back before slowly going up to the door.

Before she could reach the knob, Mu Yuchen's thin and lean figure greeted her sight. Xi Xiaye subconsciously stopped walking and almost walked right into his arms. Thankfully, he was quick enough to hold her.

"Clumsy one, be careful!" His deep voice had a hint of reproach.

Xi Xiaye reached out to hug his strong waist as she leaned into his arms and sucked in a deep breath. Subconsciously, she hugged him tightly, then looked up a little worriedly at him."Why were you so late? I called you a few times, but it didn't go through."

He looked down at her and caught her worried and anxious expression. Immediately, his heart softened and he began to be gentle. His long arms circled her frail shoulders as he held her to walk upstairs. In a deep voice, he assured, "Everything's fine. After today, perhaps we can all loosen up a little."

She followed his steps and walked upstairs too. Then, she turned to look at him and asked softly, "Did everything go well? You don't look too good though...What's wrong?"

"It went quite well. I'll tell you all about it in a bit."

Xi Xiaye had just finished showering. Apart from the little coat she wore, she only had on a loose shirt. With Mu Yuchen's height, when he peered down, he had an unlimited view of what was beneath.

He had missed her, and his exhaustion from the past few days felt like it needed a breakthrough to drain itself. Then, he suddenly stopped walking.

When she saw that he suddenly stopped, Xi Xiaye was a little confused. She quickly glanced up at him and was about to say something when suddenly her calm gaze met his flaming eyes that seemed to contain fireworks...

Xi Xiaye's beautiful little face was stunned. She could not help but feel the heat, but after a while, she looked away and cleared her throat. "Go take a shower first. I'll get your clothes for you. Ah—"

Before she could finish, she suddenly felt like she was mid-air. He had swiftly carried her up to march upstairs. Soon, his deep and sensual voice was heard.

"Later. It feels like we haven't done it in so long."

"That's not true! How do you even have the mood for it?! So many things have been happening recently!" Xi Xiaye hit his shoulders in objection and frowned.

"We have to keep moving forward. As sad as we may be, it won't change things. To Grandmother, as long as we're doing well, that will be more important than anything else. You and I living a harmonious life is the best consolation to her, hmm?" he spoke with quite a bit of conviction, and then his hands subconsciously tightened as he drew her towards him.

"What ridiculous theory is that? Put me down..."

Xi Xiaye struggled for a bit, yet he was stubborn and only walked faster until he walked past their secondary living room and straight for the bedroom. He walked up to the bed before putting her down.

As the door closed, a strong gust suddenly rushed in and messed up her beautiful, long hair.

Xi Xiaye combed through her head of hair and pushed a lock behind her ear. As she looked up silently, her calm gaze met the man's deep eyes.

They were jet black and so deep that you could not touch them, and in the depths of those pupils was her elegant figure.

"Don't look at me like that!" She was not quite used to this look from him. When she was about to lift a hand to block his view, he held onto her slender wrist.

He hesitated, and could not help but ask in the end, "Xiaye, tell me, will I always be your one and only?"

Even though he knew her answer, sometimes, he just wanted to hear her say it to him and admit to him that she cared for him. That way, he could find a sense of comfort from her, even some warmth.

Xi Xiaye was stunned by this question. Upon seeing the anticipation that gathered in his eyes, she chuckled. "Why are you suddenly asking me that?"

He chuckled, his handsome face filled with tenderness. "There aren't a lot of reasons. Just consider your Mr. Mu unreasonable right now."

When she heard his reason, she laughed out softly. She reached out with both arms and tiptoed to hold his handsome face and began to very seriously examine it. Then, she said softly, "But I just like you this way! You have already become my whole world. Without you, I've got nowhere else to go, so tell me, is it still important whether you're my one and only?"

"You...mmm—" Mu Yuchen wanted to say something more, but unexpectedly, her soft, pink lips already reached his. She gently and accurately stopped his words that were about to come after that while her long arms circled him and she pushed up against him so that he fell backward onto the bed!

Mu Yuchen was surprised as he looked up at her. He only had a whiff of the faint fragrance from her, then there was a softness against him. He quickly held her body and before he could react, another soft and warm touch came again.

She did not mind using her actions to prove that she cared for him. She heard that all men liked this, but she just was not sure if he was the same.

"Mr. Mu, tonight, let's play a game of queen and prince consort, okay?" Her gentle and extremely seductive voice was heard.

"No—" he said, then flipped over, so they instantly swapped places.

"If we're going to play, we should play a game of His Majesty and his pampered concubine!" His handsome face curved with a devilishly charming smile as the fatigue between his brows suddenly faded away.

1"His Majesty and his pampered concubine? Why not the queen?"

"If I'm the king, then all the titles in the harem are all yours. Isn't that the same?"

"What a stretch."

"Mmm..."

Chapter 1117. Twisted Affection (2)

The battle of lust lasted all the way past midnight.

As the cool breeze swayed the curtains, Mu Yuchen lay satisfied with his arms behind his head. Then, he pulled the worn-out Xi Xiaye into his embrace.

"Doris is pregnant. After Gu Lingsha crashed into her this time, it probably won't survive. Next up, we can finally sit back and enjoy the show, so let's catch our breaths," he said in a deep voice.

Xi Xiaye was still catching her own breath when she heard him say that. She immediately widened her eyes and looked at him with disbelief. Her slightly hoarse voice demanded, "What did you say? Who did you say was pregnant? Doris? You sure it's Doris and not Gu Lingsha?"

The man looked at her from the side. "Do you think I would spread false news?"

Stunned, she pulled her blanket higher and turned on her side to look at him as a faint light shifted in her eyes. "Tell me exactly what happened."

Mu Yuchen met her bright eyes. He thought about it for a bit, then he briefly explained everything that had happened that night to her.

"Initially, I was only planning on letting Li Si expose Doris. I didn't expect Lingshi to go over after that. Ah Mo probably told her about it, but Gu Qiwu just burnt the report without even taking a look."

Towards the end, Mu Yuchen calmed down.

"Mmm, he probably thought that Li Si was showing him the DNA report for him and Lingshi. You said that you were going to give them a huge gift. Did you mean this?" Xi Xiaye asked, looking at him puzzledly.

Nodding gently, his long arms brushed past her exquisite and smooth shoulders as he gently held her. "Actually, I couldn't be too sure of it at first since Ah Bo couldn't give me any substantial evidence. It was only when Doris left the UK a few days ago that Ah Bo caught the chance. When she went to the hospital, he got that information."

"So, there's a huge possibility that the child she's bearing isn't Gu Qiwu's?" Xi Xiaye caught the key point and gripped his hand tightly as she quickly asked.

"According to the timing, Gu Qiwu probably didn't have a chance to. Otherwise, Doris wouldn't have kept it a secret. As for Gu Qiwu's feelings for her, if this child is Gu Qiwu's, he would be over the moon, but I didn't see any happiness on Gu Qiwu's expression. There was only shock, and like you, disbelief," Mu Yuchen said calmly.

When Xi Xiaye heard that, she could not help but laugh. "Doris is truly...She's already at such an age and still...but speaking of which, I feel like I can understand why she'd do that. Gu Lingsha married Qi Feng. In fact, she's not fertile anymore and they only have one daughter, Qi Weier. If she wanted to put all her bets on Qi Weier, it'd seem quite hopeless. And as you said, it's worth thinking about the reasons Doris married Gu Qiwu. Now that Gu Lingsha has married into the Qi family, she might not even get a share of the pie. That means she has a perfect reason to choose another and..."

1"It's Doris. I don't think many people could've thought of something like this. She will do anything such as use Gu Qiwu and Aunt's thing as momentum. She will let Gu Qiwu compensate her heavily on account of his feelings for her so that she will easily get what she wants. Once they get a divorce, Gu

Qiwu will suffer a loss and watch the woman he loves be inseparable with another man. Not only will he have been cheated on, but she would've also gotten away with a lot of his assets. I can imagine that Gu Qiwu would've died from fury."

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Xi Xiaye said with a forced smile as she shook her head, "A woman like that is the cruelest. If he really let her have her way, then she will probably be the biggest winner in this whole game! Gu Lingsha and the rest are just a chess piece of hers. Those little tricks are nothing to her."

In the end, Mu Yuchen was getting tired of talking about it. He hugged her and pulled up the blanket. "Alright, don't think too much about these now. Let's talk about them later on. We've been quite exhausted these past few days, so let's rest well for a bit and see how things go on their end."

Xi Xiaye then nodded. "We'll see how things progress later then. To them, tonight's going to be a sleepless one for sure. Is Ah Shi okay?"

"She's fine. There's still Ah Mo, so she'll be fine. It's just that..."

"Don't worry. I'll go visit her tomorrow. I think she's probably used to it, and she could've predicted the outcome. If Gu Qiwu wanted to acknowledge her as his daughter, he wouldn't have waited for so long. Right now, I'm just curious as to the kind of attitude Gu Qiwu will use with Doris, and how he will face Lingshi..." Xi Xiaye spoke in a daze.

She paused, then could not help but continue, "I think that Gu Qiwu does love Doris deeply. I wonder if he...To be betrayed by a woman he loves would be a feeling that should be enough to stump him. I think it would feel horrible. At least, it makes up for Aunt and Grandmother."

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Just as Mu Yuchen and Xi Xiaye expected, things on Doris's end was a mess.

Outside the operating theatre at Hospital T, Gu Lingsha was an anxious mess while Qi Feng sat quietly waiting aside. Qi Weier and Mary had already gone back. It was past midnight right now, and the guests

had long left. With such a huge commotion, Gu Lingsha and Qi Feng's grand wedding had become a joke.

Qi Feng had no doubt that the newspapers tomorrow would recklessly report about how his wedding was interrupted by earth-shattering news.

Gu Qiwu sat down quietly at the bench, not saying a word, but Qi Feng and Gu Lingsha could feel the hostility that came from him. You could tell that he was in a terrible mood at the moment. Of course, they could not read his thoughts. They just thought that he was worried about Doris, or was angry about the way Li Si and Mu Lingshi had acted.

Gu Lingsha thought about it, then frowned. Knowing that she was in the wrong, she walked over to say softly, "Father, don't worry too much. Mother and Little Brother will be fine! Did you and Mother already know about this? Why did you hide it even from me? No wonder whenever I went back to the mansion, I saw Mother consuming so many tonics. I thought that..."

"Enough! Shut up! Stop talking!" Gu Lingsha had not finished when Gu Qiwu, who looked gloomy and cold, suddenly shouted. He looked up, a sinister cold light gathering in his eyes as he fixed his gaze on her.

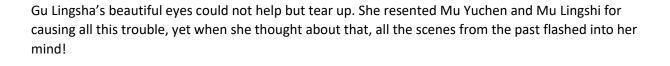
That glare of his was enough to frighten Gu Lingsha as she broke out into cold sweat!

Chapter 1118. A Slap, Witch! (1)

Gu Lingsha trembled when she saw Gu Qiwu's increasingly stormy face. She felt hot tears in her eyes, as she walked up to him in panic.

"I'm sorry, Father! It's all my fault! I thought that Mu Lingshi was going to hurt Mother. That's why I...I didn't expect that I'd make her fall down the stairs. I also couldn't have known that Mother is pregnant. Otherwise, I wouldn't have...Father, don't be sad. Heaven helps the worthy. She and Little Brother will be fine. They'll be fine!" Gu Lingsha started to explain to Gu Qiwu incoherently, yet when he heard that, he seemed to look worse!

"Father, don't be like this! Mother will be fine! Calm down!"



Could Mu Zi really have had a relationship with her father, Gu Qiwu?

Were Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi really her siblings?

Gu Qiwu glared at Gu Lingsha, then suddenly called out to Ah Yong, "Ah Yong, come here!"

"Yes, Boss!"

Ah Yong quickly went over. Gu Qiwu lowered his head and said a few words to him. At first, Ah Yong was stunned, then nodded. Gu Lingsha wanted to listen to their conversation, yet when she moved closer, Ah Yong suddenly got up. His hand accidentally brushed the fringe on her forehead, so she felt a faint pain, but before she could react, he had already left.

"Yes! Boss, don't worry. I promise to get it done!" Ah Yong assured and his tall figure immediately walked towards the corridor. Meanwhile, the remaining bodyguards stood guard at the corridor, not allowing anyone to get close.

"Father, you..."

With regard to Gu Qiwu's weird actions, Gu Lingsha finally could not help but probe. She did not feel any concern from Gu Qiwu, only anger!

'Why was he angry? It must be because of this commotion that Mu Yuchen and Mu Lingshi had caused!' Gu Lingsha thought to herself.

"Alright, Shasha, that's enough. We'll see how your mother is doing first. Things at the banquet are almost done. Father and the rest are rushing over, so it'll be fine. Don't frighten yourself."

The one who had spoken was Qi Feng. He also thought that Gu Qiwu was in an odd mood tonight. Of course, he was not focused on Doris's pregnancy but on Gu Qiwu's relationship with Mu Zi!

That proved that the information Morrison had shown him before was true. Gu Qiwu and Mu Zi did have a past. In fact, Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi were definitely Gu Qiwu's children. Otherwise, a woman like Elder Madam Mu would not have toppled upon such news!

Thus, the truth was that tonight, Mu Yuchen wanted to use the opportunity to uplift Mu Zi, and get a statement on behalf of Mu Lingshi. However, he did not expect things to play out the way it had.

No wonder Gu Qiwu looked extremely unhappy. While no one knew about the agreement between Doris and Gu Qiwu, Qi Feng was very clear about it. If Gu Qiwu betrayed Doris, according to the agreement, not only would he need to divorce her, but he would also have to pay a heavy price.

This was also the reason why Gu Qiwu had always gone by the book and dared not cross any lines as he focused on loving Doris.

Of course, everyone understood that Gu Qiwu was indeed loyal towards Doris as well. Now that this mess was made, he was sure that Gu Qiwu must be extremely angry, and next, he would be waiting for Mu Yuchen...

Like Gu Lingsha, he thought this way, and the doubts that he had at first were instantly resolved!

Upon hearing Qi Feng, Gu Lingsha stopped, and she looked at Gu Qiwu with a mixed expression before she walked to Qi Feng's side.

The light above the operating theatre was still on. They were not sure how long they had waited for, but it was a while that Gu Lingsha felt her legs becoming numb. Finally...

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The light of the operating theatre suddenly went off, then the door opened. A doctor donning a white robe walked out.

"Doctor!"

Upon seeing that, Gu Lingsha quickly went up and anxiously held the doctor by the sleeve. She could not help but look at the operating theatre as she asked worriedly, "Doctor, how did it go? How's my mother? Is she okay?"

The doctor took off his mask, breathed in, and said with a solemn expression, "I'm sorry. We did our best. The patient is an elderly pregnant woman. That itself was already a fragile condition. In fact, she's not in the best of health. The fetus was easily affected. This time, the impact was too strong, so we couldn't save the child. The patient's in a rather unstable condition too and she'll need to stay in the intensive care unit for observation."

"What did you say? You couldn't save him? What does that mean? How's that possible? Are all you doctors useless?" When Gu Lingsha heard that, she panicked!

She obviously did not forget the way Doris had slapped her hard and shot her a vicious gaze! One could tell that Doris cared a lot about this child!

If she lost it because of her, Gu Lingsha could only imagine how furious her mother was going to be!

She dared not imagine it!

Even though Doris was usually quite good to her daughter, when it came to certain things, Doris was very strong-headed and principled about it. Gu Lingsha had also always been slightly fearful of her mother. In fact, just recently, their relationship had been strained, and now with this incident, it made things worse!

"No way! There's no way you couldn't save it! You're lying to me! She just rolled down the stairs. There's no way she could've lost it so easily! Find a way. Think of something!"

Gu Lingsha trembled and she began to feel dazed as she quickly clutched the doctor's shirt and shook him hard.
"Miss, please calm down! We've done our best!"
"Shasha! Calm down!"
"Madam, please calm down! Let go of the doctor first!"
Upon seeing Gu Lingsha on the verge of losing control, Qi Feng quickly signaled the bodyguards beside him who went up to pull her away.
"The patient will be sent to the intensive care ward soon because her body is weak and fatigued. She is going to need rest. Later on, the nurse will explain what requires attention."
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Throughout the entire process, Gu Qiwu merely sat on the bench. He seemed to be frozen right there as he did not move at all while he watched this scene before him.
After a while, the unconscious Doris was wheeled out of the operating theatre and sent to the intensive care ward. Meanwhile, that night was destined to be a sleepless night, especially for Gu Qiwu and the rest.
Qi Qiming only rushed over afterward. When he heard that Doris had a miscarriage, he felt a mix of emotions that he could not quite identify. There was a hint of endured anger in his gaze as he looked at Gu Qiwu.
He could not have guessed that Gu Qiwu would be so cruel towards Mu Zi!

The pitiful thing was that she had protected him till the day she died, and now it had even cost Elder

Madam Mu's life. There was also Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi...

Following Qi Qiming was Qi Lei who remained silent too. As the scenes from that day replayed in his mind, he had no doubt that this Gu Qiwu was Mu Lingshi's father!

He always thought that Qi Qiming was the trashiest father among them all, but he did not expect Gu Qiwu to compare to his own father. In fact, he was worse. It turns out that there were indeed more people like him. There was just no comparison before, and now he suddenly began to pity Lingtian and Mu Lingshi.

At least, his mother, Wang Qin, still loved him and would defend him. Right now, Qi Qiming did not seem to be doing much against him for reasons of guilt or whatever, yet what about Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi?

Before this, he really did not understand why Mu Yuchen had been so persistent and why he would not let go after Mu Lingtian's betrayal, yet now, he seemed to finally understand a little bit more of how Mu Yuchen felt.

Being as calm as water with refined fierceness and meticulous thoughts allowed him to hold it all back only to explode today. It must have been for Mu Lingshi, for Mu Zi and Mu Lingtian.

Qi Lei could not help but feel envy. If he had such an older brother too, would he have suffered as much as he did right now?

They both had a layer between the bloodlines. Why was it that he could treat them like real siblings while his own elder brother would not even think of leaving him a way out at all even after he had backed down so much?

When he thought about this, Qi Lei suddenly turned to look at Qi Feng who remained silent too. His expression was indifferent and he did not show any emotions, yet there was a hint of mixed emotions between his brows. Gu Lingsha was still caring for Doris in the ward.

As if he could sense Qi Lei's gaze, Qi Feng gathered his emotions and looked towards Qi Lei. When he saw that there was something in his eyes, his charming face flashed with a smile. "Thank you for your hard work today, Xiao Lei."

Qi Lei scoffed in his heart, yet that devilish smile on his face became even more radiant. "As I should. Uncle Gu, CEO Qi, I'll go handle the hospitalization procedures. I hope that Aunt Gu will recover soon!"

Then, before waiting for their replies, he turned towards the corridor while Yang Sheng followed quickly after him.

Upon seeing that, Qi Feng's expression darkened. He turned to look at Qi Qiming, but he realized that Qi Qiming was watching Qi Lei walk further away with a gaze that seemed to show a hint of delight.

Gu Qiwu, who had kept quiet, finally spoke up softly, "All of you, go home first. Qi Feng, today's an important day for you and Shasha. Don't delay it because of this incident. You and Shasha go home first. It's enough with me here."

"Father..." Qi Feng finally called out a little worriedly.

"Go home, Ah Yong. Get Miss to come out."

Gu Qiwu's tone had a sternness that did not allow for objection, so Qi Feng felt like something was not right in his tone, but he could not put a finger on what it was.

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Inside the ward, Doris was sleeping in a daze. Soon, it was the next day.

When the warm sunlight streamed in through the half-opened window, Doris felt how heavy her head was. She was uncomfortable as she slowly woke up and tried to open up her heavy eyelids. As the strong light entered, she could not help but lift a hand to shade her eyes. All of the scenes from last night suddenly flashed in her mind.

Her pale face suddenly flushed with panic and she subconsciously felt her belly!

It was no surprise that she could clearly feel that something was missing.

Stunned, she remembered that Gu Lingsha had come towards her and she had lost her footing and tripped down the stairs. Afterward, Mu Lingshi seemed to have smiled and spoken about her pregnancy, and that it was a boy
How did they find out?
If Gu Lingsha had heard it, then Gu Qiwu must have too!
She was already so careful. Apart from the one involved, no one else could have known about it, much less Gu Qiwu!
Right, Gu Qiwu!
When this name flashed in her mind, Doris's deep blue eyes could not help but reveal a wave of panic. She immediately widened her eyes and propped herself up. When she tried to sit up, she silently examined the scene before her.
Immediately, she noticed the stern and scolding gaze that came from her bedside!
She quickly turned to look and saw a dark figure greeting her sight.
Bathed in a cold aura all over, a chill filled his grave expression and a sinister energy gathered in his deep eyes while he fixed his gaze on Doris. She could feel the coldness that came from him despite wrapping herself tightly with the blanket.

There was clearly air filled with gunpowder between the four eyes and the entire ward felt stifled.

Doris subconsciously shrunk and her blue eyes seemed vigilant as she stared at Gu Qiwu. Neither

husband nor wife spoke.

In the end, it was Gu Qiwu who spoke up first, "You miscarried the b\*stard you bore. What's wrong? Were you planning on keeping quiet? Whose child is it?"

His voice was cold as the first melted snow. When Doris heard him, she shuddered involuntarily, but Doris was not just anyone. She gathered herself and took a deep breath, then a sharp light flashed in her blue eyes as she looked at Gu Qiwu coldly.

"Shouldn't you be explaining about you and Mu Zi to me? What's up with Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi?" Her tone was questioning as well.

"Doris, I told you that there's a limit to my patience!"

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Gu Qiwu shouted coldly, that stern aura of his becoming more prominent, "Tell me! Whose child is it?!"

There was a fury in his shout as Gu Qiwu took a step closer, his eyes ablaze with anger. He stared at Doris's beautiful face. Frightened by his sudden shout, an uneasiness flashed across her pale face. You could tell from the depth of her blues eyes that she was terrified. She shrunk and pulled the blanket tightly towards her as she cowered towards the bedhead and fixed her eyes on Gu Qiwu.

"I don't know what you're talking about. If I'm pregnant, then it's obviously yours," Doris lowered her gaze and said softly.

Upon hearing that, Gu Qiwu immediately laughed grimly. He reached out and held Doris's chin tightly, meeting her blue eyes. "Doris, do you take me for a fool? I haven't touched you in at least half a year. How could it be mine? Haven't I been good to you? Why did you still plan on lying to me right now? That you would betray me? Tell me! Whose b\*stard is this?! Tell me!"

His violent shout penetrated every corner of the room. Doris could only feel the pain on her chin that she almost cried out.

"Let go of me!"

Doris struggled hard for a while, and her expression was pale as she pushed Gu Qiwu away with much effort. She could not help but raise her voice and yell in return, "Don't give me that look. Betrayal? You betrayed me first! Gu Qiwu, you haven't explain about you and Mu Zi to me yet! Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi are your children. You and Mu Zi lied to me for decades! Aren't you worse? I was deceived for decades. Should I just go with it then? Why are you allowed to cheat on me while I'm not allowed to do the same to you?"

Doris seemed to have found her courage again. The aura that came from her was no less than Gu Qiwu's. "I told you before that I'm not weak. If you did it, so can I!" Her tone was filled with ridicule.

"Mu Zi and I happened before us. Besides, you've always known that I had a past with a certain woman. You said that you didn't care, and right now you want to use it against me? Doris, don't take advantage of the patience I have for you!"

"Enough! What patience? What have you been patient with me about? When you and that witch, Mu Zi, had two children, did you tell me? When I married you years ago, do you remember what you said to me? You said that you'd make me the happiest woman on earth, the elegant Madam Gu, and in the end, what have you given me all these years? Haven't you always been vigilant about me at all times? Thinking about how to get back your things from me? All the so-called sky-high priced betrothal gifts and pledge of eternal love...do you really think I'm a fool?" Doris mocked in disdain.

"You went behind my back with Mu Zi! What about her made you so fond of her? You should be grateful that I didn't find out that the woman was her. Otherwise, I would've killed her! At least, she knew it herself and ended her life by jumping off a building, so I didn't have to do anything."

"Shut up! Doris, I've been wrong to Mu Zi all these years. I've let Lingtian and Lingshi down, but I've never wronged you and Lingsha! What do you think you've been relying on? It's because I do feel some affinity for you! How have I wronged you all these years? Fortune, feelings, what have I not fulfilled you with? In the end, you want to play these tricks and take everything away from me. Aren't you be a tad bit too greedy?"

While Gu Qiwu spoke through gritted teeth, his hand that pinched Doris' chin tightened. Soon, there was a bruise on Doris's fair skin. "What were you planning on doing with another man's illegitimate child? You hid it from me and were trying to divorce me so that I would pity you and compensate you, weren't you? Even Lingsha became your chess piece! You treated us all like chess pieces. Isn't that so?" Gu Qiwu's stern voice held no warmth as he asked coldly.

Doris only felt a burning pain from his grip as she struggled. "Let go of me! Let me go!"
"Tell me! Whose child is it?!"
"I don't know! Even if I do, do you think I'd tell you? That man is a hundred times better than you, Gu Qiwu! A hundred times nicer too!"
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Before Doris could finish, Gu Qiwu had already let go of her, then a slap rang out. Because it was so hard, Doris almost fell off her bed. Shrieking, she fell into her blanket!
"You shameless woman! I've always been loyal to you. I was even cruel to Mu Zi and the children, but you dare do this to me. Very well, you want to get a divorce and take all my assets to enjoy with another man, don't you? In your dreams, I won't get a divorce with you. I want to slowly waste you away and let you know that this is what happens when you betray me!"
Gu Qiwu looked viciously at the sorry-looking Doris as he spoke cruelly. His gaze was so fierce as if he wished he could just kill Doris.
Smiling coldly, she slowly propped herself up and wiped away the traces of blood at the corner of her lips before she said, "Gu Qiwu, do you think you can control me? In your dreams! Do you think I'd be afraid of your betrayal? You have no right to talk about betrayal."
"We'll just wait and see then. I'd like to see who it is. Doris, I'll make you pay for betraying me and trampling all over my love."
Gu Qiwu's bloodshot eyes glared at Doris!
It would be a lie if he said that he did not feel a little depressed and bitter! Only he would understand!
The kind of feelings he had for this cruel woman—

It was love and hate at once!

He loved the way she had an undeniable charm. Gu Qiwu admitted that all these years, he had only ever been patient and caring for this woman, including the way he was willing to cruelly turn his back on Mu Zi, Lingtian, and Lingshi for her.

He hated her, hated the way she was always scheming against him. She had a dark side to her and used vicious means!

Even if Gu Qiwu had given his all to treat her well, she still put her guard up against him, tried to control him, and even thought about how to step all over him!

How terrifying was a woman like that?

How had he fallen for such a woman and indulged her all these years?