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Chapter 791. Her Warmth (4)

Upon hearing his deep and sensitive voice, her heart became increasingly soft and sad as it hurt.

After struggling through ups and downs for close to 30 years, his appearance was like a ray of warmth sunlight, illuminating the bottom of her heart and allowing her to wake up from a long dream. Even if her heart was cold, she had long been moved by his doting.

From meeting to getting to know and loving each other...

He was like her. They were both people who did not express love easily, yet they would always show care and love.

"It's all because of you... Your happiness and sadness have become mine too." She shrunk herself in his embrace as she spoke in a hoarse voice. She wiped her tears away with the front of his blouse.

Ever since she realized that she had fallen in love with him, she had become vulnerable. Regardless of the hardships she suffered in the past, they would not bring her to tears, yet now...

"I'm sorry. It was my fault. As long as I can make sure you have an easier time, I'm willing to bear it all." His deep yet raspy voice brushed past her ears as he lowered himself and hugged her tightly in his embrace. He carefully coaxed her, "Let me take a look. Your eyes are red now..."

The umbrella in her hand fell to the ground as she reached out to circle her arms around his strong waist.

Xi Xiaye sniffled, trying hard to hold back the tears that wanted to rush out. Mu Yuchen's blouse was wrinkled from the embrace. Finally, she gathered herself and looked up at him with teary eyes. "I'm worried about you. I followed you along the route, but you didn't even realize."

He had always been very vigilant. The fact that he would overlook this could only mean that he was absent-minded, so he was less vigilant.

"What are you worried about? I was just walking alone to organize my thoughts. Your Mr. Mu's not such a weak and easily frustrated person."

His hand could not help but caress her head. His five fingers combed through her beautiful, long hair while she looked up. She silently watched him and saw that calm invisible waves were gathered in his deep eyes. Then, she just closed her eyes quietly, her intentions clear.

Of course, the man would not disappoint her. His cool kiss fell accurately, but it was just a very light peck before he moved away. Naturally, Xi Xiaye was not satisfied. She opened her starry eyes and used both hands to pull his head closer before she went on tiptoe.

The little entangled shadow on the ground gradually grew longer all the way until it reached the tip of Zhou Zimo's toes.

He silently watched the young couple that kissed in an embrace before him. A faint curve flashed on his handsome face as he lifted a hand to brush his tall nose. He thought to himself that he was done here, so he quietly turned to leave.

He could not imagine that such an extraordinary and distant man like him could be that gentle.

Could love really change a person so thoroughly?

Zhou Zimo still had doubts when Su Chen's steadfast and good-looking face flashed in his mind.

That fellow was quick too. Without a word, he suddenly brought a wife home.

He thought about it and suddenly felt like he was missing something. Looking up gloomily at the night sky, he smacked his head.

Forget it. Don't think too much about it. It's time to go home and sleep!

Underneath the streetlights, the affectionate couple enjoyed each other for quite a while before separating. Xi Xiaye panted and inhaled a few times. She was practically hanging onto Mu Yuchen as she subconsciously looked around. When she saw that there was no one around, she felt relieved.

Mu Yuchen took the windbreaker on his shoulders off and put it over her shoulders. As he held her by the shoulders, he picked the umbrella up from the ground and said softly, "Okay, let's go home. Good thing you came. Otherwise, your Mr. Mu would have really frozen through the night."

"Didn't you bring your wallet?"

Earlier, she saw that he wanted to get a cab, but when he rifled his pockets, it seemed like he wanted to make a call instead.

"My Missus is smart!" He was not stingy with his praises.

Xi Xiaye smiled calmly and gleefully held his arm. "Of course! I'm a goddess here to protect you. I'll also suddenly appear right when you need me."

He chuckled softly, and could not help but hold her tight around the shoulders. His tone was gentle. "You are my goddess, but let me protect you."

"Is that true? Mr. Mu, I suddenly realize that you're getting better and better at saying the right things to curry girls' favors." She raised her brows and glanced at him.

He looked quite calm and squinted at her without objection. When he stopped, so did Xi Xiaye, yet before she could say anything, he suddenly bent over to carry her up. He said softly, "Only you have this special privilege. Weren't you complaining earlier that I never say nice things to you?"

Xi Xiaye cried out softly as she held onto his shoulders. She turned and planted a kiss on his cheek. "I know..."

He smiled happily, and from the time her first tear fell for him, he swore that he would spend the rest of his life treating her better, what more right now. Not only had she become his wife, but she had even given birth to a smart and cute son for him.

On the way home, Xi Xiaye drove while Mu Yuchen sat in the front passenger seat. The music player was belting out classics from the last generation. Xi Xiaye faintly remembered that a very, very long time ago, they had been like this too. It was also this song that...

As she thought about this, she suddenly slowed her car down and turned to look at him. Upon noticing her gaze, he returned a gentle smile to her too.

"I want to hear you sing," she softly requested. She remembered that he was actually pretty talented at singing, but he rarely did so.

When he heard her plea, his handsome brows raised, and something flashed in his dark eyes as he began to show off his inherent profiteering nature again. He narrowed his gaze and smiled. "What's my reward from the Missus if I sing?"

Xi Xiaye rolled her eyes at him and held the steering wheel steadily. She cleared her throat. "Bring your face over here."

Mr. Mu obediently leaned his handsome face in, and as Xi Xiaye turned her head, she kissed his lips aggressively.

Now, Master Mu's charming face felt heated. He cleared his throat and his flickering dark eyes watched her before he shyly turned to look out of the car window. His slender fingers rested on her lips where there was a faint temperature. The silver halo around his ring finger looked extraordinarily enchanting too.

"Even if there are thousands of songs in the days to come, as it floats in the distant journey, even with the thousands of stars in the days to come, it could not be more beautiful than this night; it could not wash my desires for the night away. Ah... because tonight you sing with me..." Afterward, Xi Xiaye began to softly hum. The husband and wife's voices combined in harmony. When the whole song finished, they felt like they had not had enough of it, so they continued to the next song.

Chapter 792. Living Together (1)

Li Si sent Su Chen to the entrance of his apartment as the rain kept pouring. Qingming was coming soon, and the air had turned very humid recently.

"Alright, I'm fine here. You can go back." Su Chen grabbed his windbreaker from Li Si and walked into his apartment.

Li Si had an umbrella in his hand. He was about to say something, but Su Chen had already walked far away, so he shrugged and returned to his car.

Su Chen walked slowly, suddenly feeling an urge to smoke, so he quickly lit a stick up. He started smoking as he walked back to his own unit while the cold rain continued to fall.

He finally arrived at his unit after a while. Then, he extinguished his cigarette and grabbed his keys in his pocket. However, he saw a skinny figure sitting on the staircase in front of his unit.

Su Chen stopped as his mind instantly sobered up. He looked at the person as he cursed himself.

Damn it!

He totally forgot to give her a pair of keys to his apartment!

Ji Zitong's body was cold and numb, and she had almost fallen asleep.

She had probably waited for over two hours since her flower store closed at around 10 p.m. Her mother told her to go home earlier knowing that she had just gotten married, yet she could not enter the house as he was nowhere to be found. Because she called him and no one picked up, she could only wait outside for his return.

Two hours went past and her body was freezing. As she curled up into a ball, she had no idea when Su Chen stood right before her.

He stood beside Ji Zitong quietly and studied her from above. Moments later, he said, "Get up. It's cold outside. Why didn't you wait at the guardhouse?"

His sudden voice shocked Ji Zitong who looked up at Su Chen's handsome face. A light flashed in her eyes. "You're back. Why are you so late?"

She tried to get up from the cold floor, but her body was numb from curling up in the same position for such a long time that she almost fell over when she stood up.

"Be careful!" Su Chen quickly grabbed her shoulder as he spoke.

Ji Zitong struggled, but his long arm reached her and wrapped around her shoulders to help her stand properly. He also held her bags for her.

"Thank you!" Ji Zitong thanked him as she backed off slightly. She was still not used to such an intimate distance with him.

Su Chen frowned when he saw her acting this way. Something was hidden deep in his eyes as he shuddered a little when he looked at her.

She thought he would say something, but in the end, he did not. He let go of her after she could stand properly. Then, he walked up the staircase and opened the door to let Ji Zitong in.

With a deep breath, she went in.

Su Chen closed the door and switched on the heater. The temperature turned warm a moment later while the two of them changed their shoes.

"Have you had dinner?" Su Chen put his coat onto the hanger as he looked at Ji Zitong who was busy sorting out the stuff in her bags.

"I had some in the store. Have you had any?" Ji Zitong looked at him. She could smell the alcohol on him. Thinking that it was pointless to ask even though she wondered where he went, she then looked down and continued sorting out the stuff she bought.

They were just some items for her daily use. Since she rushed to pack up before coming over yesterday, she still needed some stuff, so she had gone to the supermarket before coming home.

Su Chen seemed to have read her mind. He then explained himself, "I went to have a drink with Ah Chen and Zimo, but I forgot to call you. I'm sorry. Have you waited long?"

"It's alright. It was just a while," Ji Zitong gave a brief reply. They were not really close before anyway, so she did not see the point of explaining. Nevertheless, she also felt it might be necessary. After all, they were married and she had waited for quite a long time.

"Go and take a shower upstairs. I'll make supper for us, and I'll pass you the keys later as well."

"[..."

"Go and shower now. I don't want a sick person staying in my house."

Su Chen interrupted her before she could finish her sentence. He grabbed her bags and put them aside before he pointed at the stairs, signaling her to take action immediately. He was really used to being an instructor.

Ji Zitong frowned, apparently not very pleased with the man's attitude, but she still gave in as she felt cold all over.

Su Chen unbuttoned his sleeves and rolled them up after she went upstairs. Then, he went into the kitchen.

His head felt a little heavy after drinking all night, and because he was pretty hungry himself, he wanted to make some food.

Although his cooking was incomparable to Mu Yuchen's, it was not bad. The three of them always made meals themselves when they served in the army anyway.

It was late and there was no time to make a proper meal. Therefore, Su Chen decided to make some simple chicken porridge. He was so quick that the meal was done when Ji Zitong came out from the shower.

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Su Chen grabbed two bowls before sitting down. He looked over when he heard the sound of footsteps.

Ji Zitong had changed into clean pajamas and tied her loose hair into a simple bun. Her face was slightly pink as she had just come out from the shower. Her image differed a lot from her usual cold, distant self, making her quite a unique sight.

Ji Zitong looked at Su Chen when she noticed he was staring at her. She did not really mind and just acted normally. He averted his gaze away and signaled her to sit in front of him.

Ji Zitong sat down obediently.

He put a bowl of soup in front of her. "Have some ginger soup. It's great to prevent a cold." He then started getting some porridge for her.

Ginger soup?

Ji Zitong frowned. She did not really like the taste of ginger, so she glanced at the hot ginger soup before her, and then looked at Su Chen who had just made her dinner. She felt a slight warmth rise from deep inside her heart as she swiftly gulped it down.

"It's late and I can't really make anything fancy, so let's just have some porridge. Do you have any food that you don't like?" Su Chen passed her a bowl of porridge as he asked.

Ji Zitong took it from him and replied, "Thank you. I'm fine. I'm not a picky eater." She then slowly enjoyed her porridge.

To her surprise, it was pretty tasty. She was reminded of dinner last night. "I was honored to have a meal prepared by Chairman Mu before at his place. His cooking is really impressive. I didn't expect yours to be not too bad as well, Chief Su."

Su Chen looked at her and raised his eyebrows. "Of course, the three of us are exceptional. Our women are surely blessed. The kitchen is a man's place. Didn't you notice that all the head chefs are men? Women shouldn't be involved in this kind of work."

His pride as a man started to show again. Su Chen and Zhou Zimo did not really like to cook before, but after hanging out with Mu Yuchen, they started to get influenced, so they started to take responsibility of their housework.

Ji Zitong chuckled. "I suppose at least, you're better than those men."

Her mother was the one who handled all the cooking at home. She came from a typical family where the woman managed the housework and the man was the breadwinner, but Su Chen's words gave her a new perspective.

They said that the people you mix with were a reflection of yourself. This was probably a valid example of that.

Su Chen accepted her compliment generously, and the two of them chatted about their lives back when they were serving in the army, as well as their hobbies. They were like a pair of friends who were reunited after many years with no awkwardness between them.

After they finished their supper peacefully, Ji Zitong did the dishes as Su Chen checked his phone. He noticed that there were several missed calls, so he walked upstairs and started calling them back.

Ji Zitong cleaned up and sorted out the stuff she bought. Su Chen was done showering when she went upstairs. However, he was talking on the phone with someone while he was on the bed. When he saw her lying down on the other side of the bed, he quickly ended the conversation.

Ji Zitong was much calmer than last night, but she was still not used to this feeling though she was firm that she was sure of her role now.

She had always been a tough person after all. After experiencing some unease before, she was now starting to accept her reality.

Su Chen's arm grabbed several keys from the bedside table along with some cards. He then handed them to Ji Zitong. "These are the keys to our home, the card to the restaurant we went to before, a bank card, and the keys to the Su Residence. Keep them. The pin number to the bank card is 345678. Remember that. There are two cars in the garage and you can drive whichever you want. The keys are inside the drawer of the coffee table in the living room. The Land Rover was a gift from Ah Chen, but I don't think it's suitable for a woman like you to drive it," Su Chen explained to her.

Ji Zitong was stunned to see the things he passed her. She sat up slightly and stared at them for a while. Then, she looked at him and was hesitant to take them.

"Keep it. You have the right to, and I won't ask much from you. I think you're great as Mrs. Su. If you have time to visit my grandfather, please do. They seem to like you a lot. I'm pretty busy and need to go abroad frequently, so I rarely go back to visit."

Moreover, Su Chen did not want to go back since they would always urge him to get married soon, or the elder would lecture him in the study room. He was almost traumatized by all that. Hopefully, things would get better since he was married now.

Ji Zitong was silent, only accepting the things after a while.

"Take your time. My parents aren't here now. They'll only be back in a few days. I'll bring you home then. You've met my grandfather and my sister. Oh, by the way, I'll call my sister tomorrow and ask her to pick some clothes that you'd like. She'll visit you at the flower store directly," Su Chen then informed her.

"It's fine. I have enough clothes." Ji Zitong kept the things and put them on the bedside table on her end.

"You do? You always wear the same outfits. My sister sells fashionable women's clothes. Just go take a look. You'll regret if you don't start dressing up now." Su Chen knew this way too well because his mother always complained in front of his father.

Ji Zitong did not say anything. She lay down once again after she put the things aside. Inside the small, cramped space, she could smell his wild and fresh scent the moment she closed her eyes, and she was getting nervous, really nervous.

Chapter 794. Living Together (3)

The rain continued to fall until late at night, and the sky turned tranquil as the lights behind the curtain flickered.

Ji Zitong was feeling really nervous. Su Chen dragged the blanket a little towards himself. She turned and their feet touched each other. He frowned as he felt the icy cold sensation.

Ji Zitong was startled for a moment as well. Before she could react, the man got closer, freaking her out as he embraced her. His big figure wrapped her up completely.

She took a deep breath and pushed him away. "Don't do this. Give me some time!"

Su Chen did not move away from her and still held her down tightly as if he had not heard what she said.

She struggled as he pushed him, her voice starting to get angry. "Su Chen! Let go of me!"

"Move if you don't want me to force myself upon you! I'm not really a patient guy. You better get used to this quickly." Su Chen's voice was firm while his arm around Ji Zitong's waist tightened. His wild and fresh scent filled the room, and his firm chest felt like a heating stove, instantly burning her into nothingness.

"You..."

When Ji Zitong kicked him, he reacted quickly and locked her foot down with a chuckle. "You're still the same as before, acting like a wild cat whenever you get angry, but I recently gave lessons to a lot of people like you."

"I'm not under you, and I'm not your subordinate! You can't do this to me!" Ji Zitong struggled and struggled but to no avail.

Su Chen laughed and his voice was very gentle as he responded, "We're married. You don't think I'll be a monk forever, do you?"

"Shameless!" Ji Zitong pinched his hand and scolded him.

He backed off after he had teased her enough. Then, in an upright tone, he said, "I'm telling you the truth right now, and it's a serious problem. I'm not an upright gentleman. Of course, I'm not a willful monk-in-training as well. I'm just a normal man. Why else do you think I married you? I'm not looking for a platonic relationship. Do you understand me?"

What a bastard!

In the dark, Ji Zitong's face turned bright red. Although she was angry and frustrated, in the end, she ignored him and closed her eyes.

"Why aren't you talking?" he asked after she did not reply for quite a while.

Ji Zitong remained silent,

"Ji Zitong, say something!" Su Chen grabbed her waist again, but she gave him another kick.

Master Su took a deep breath and gave up when his woman stopped giving him attention. He closed his eyes, yet his arms never let go of his woman...

The long rain continued. Qing Ming was just around the corner. Xi Xiaye rested at home for a very long time. Sometimes, she would visit the Shen residence and the Mu residence.

She would visit the hospital for check-ups every week or two as well as drop by to see Ruan Heng.

Ruan Heng was still unconscious. Su Nan went back to her previous company and worked as a fashion designer. Since she was very experienced and had been working with the owner for a very long time, her benefits there were pretty decent.

Ruan Heng's condition had stabilized, but there was no sign of him waking up. Mu Yuchen contacted the hospital and got some experienced specialists to take a look at him. Frustratingly, all of them said his waking up depended on his willpower. Su Nan would visit the hospital every day after she finished work to talk to Ruan Heng, wipe his body, and massage his limbs. She did not want his body to get stiff. Otherwise, there might be more issues when he woke up.

Su Nan started to get used to her new life. Instead of being lost like before, she was much more positive now.

On the sofa in Ruan Heng's room, Su Nan handed a glass of hot water to Xi Xiaye as she asked, "How're you recovering? And about your job... Last time, when I went back to our school, I bumped into Aunty Shen. She said you're planning to take over your grandpa's company. Are you sure you can handle Fuhua Property Development?"

Xi Xiaye took the glass as she answered, "I'm doing very well now. I'll be working again in a few days. I'll head back to Glory World to handle some things. Mu Yuchen is busy learning more about Fu Hua from my grandpa, so I'll work on the seasonal statistics now before going to Fuhua. Mu Yuchen's been working a lot with Grandpa recently. I think it won't be very difficult with his help."

"You are really lucky to have found a good husband, but you should still take care of yourself. You look even skinnier after you've given birth." Su Nan was concerned.

Xi Xiaye smiled before she sipped some water. "I'm worried that I'm not recovering. I've been eating more lately."

"It's good to eat more. I was pretty anxious a while back and almost became anorexic. I vomited whatever I ate, but I only got better recently. Anyway, I have something to tell you. My mother told me that Xi Xinyi came to see Ruan Heng a few days ago. I think that it's pretty weird. I wanted to tell you about it before but I forgot. What do you think about this?" Su Nan suddenly remembered what her mother had told her several days ago.

Xi Xinyi?

Xi Xiaye frowned when she heard that name.

Ever since their conversation in her room last time, she had never seen her again. She remembered that Xi Xinyi insisted that she had not pushed her, then...

Chapter 795. Xiaye VS Gu Lingsha (1)

"Actually, I think that she's changed quite a lot, especially after Han Yifeng left with her son."

When Su Nan saw Xi Xiaye fall silent, she could not help but sigh softly. Then, her lips curled up into a sneer. "But it's all because of her own actions that things are what they are today. Now, it should be a lesson for her."

She stayed quiet for a while, and then Xi Xiaye asked, "Why did she come to see Ruan Heng?" Her gaze flickered from light to dark, and mixed emotions gathered in her heart.

She wondered if Xi Xinyi heard those words.

"I don't know. I heard my mother say that she just came as a friend, probably to laugh at me. Coincidentally, she came when I wasn't around, so she quickly left," Su Nan said in disdain. She paused, then continued, "You can ignore people like her. When I think about what happened the other time, I get angry again. It was her and Han Yifeng who brought disaster upon themselves. Why did they have to involve you? She's even asking you to talk to Han Yifeng to ask him to return her son to her. This woman's head is really experiencing a short-circuit. What's she thinking? How did she even think of that?"

As Xi Xiaye listened, she could only helplessly smile and say calmly, "She really overestimated me. Forget it. Let's not talk about her. Let's talk about you."

Xi Xiaye did not seem comfortable talking about Xi Xinyi. She waved her hand with waning interest instead.

When Xi Xiaye left the hospital, it was close to noon. She came to do the checkup alone. Wang Hui brought the little fellow to the Mu residence, so she thought about it before deciding to go and take a look at the office, and at the same time, ask her man out for lunch.
Alas, she could not have imagined that when she reached the hospital carpark, she was blocked by someone annoying!
"You?"
Xi Xiaye looked calmly at Gu Lingsha who was dressed in a lilac spring dress. Her starry eyes glared at her coldly. It was not hard to notice the hint of revolt on her face.
Earlier, her man had been gloomy for a long while because of this woman's actions. Now that she bumped into her, Xi Xiaye obviously would not be happy.
Why was this woman here?
Xi Xiaye was currently vigilant as she looked at her apathetically.
Gu Lingsha still retained her noble and aloof stance while she looked imposingly at Xi Xiaye. Those beautiful blue eyes sized Xi Xiaye up and down judgingly. When she saw that Xi Xiaye's expression remained calm as always, her beautiful face rippled with a smile, and her cherry lips parted. "Long time no see, Miss Xi!"
Xi Xiaye smiled at her with squinted eyes and nodded with gusto. "Yes, it's been a while, Miss Gu."

Previously, she was pregnant with her son. She had not measured up against her like this, but now things were different. She recalled that Mu Yuchen said this woman was not simple, and by the looks of it, she was clearly here waiting for her. Consequently, she could not show her weakness and had to level up her aura.

Gu Lingsha noticed Xi Xiaye's cold expression and caught the hostility that flared up in her eyes. She smiled sweetly. "Let's find a place to sit down and chat. I've been wanting this opportunity for a very long while now. I wonder if I have the honor with you, Miss Xi?"

Xi Xiaye suddenly remembered that when she was discharged from the hospital, this woman had put up this front with Mu Yuchen too. She was quite headstrong.

"Come with me," Xi Xiaye said, then leisurely took her car keys out and walked to her car.

Half an hour later, at the Imperial Sky Hotel.

"Director Xi, you're here!"

The lobby manager was obviously rather familiar with Xi Xiaye who had just stepped into the lobby when he came up to them.

Xi Xiaye nodded gently and said calmly, "Let's find a quiet place to sit then."

"Okay, Director Xi, let's just go upstairs."

Xi Xiaye was quite familiar with the place, so she just went straight upstairs. Gu Lingsha followed after her. With her outstandingly elegant appearance, it was hard for her not to attract many people's attention, especially since there were many people having lunch at this time.

In the dining hall on the second floor, Xi Xiaye found a quiet corner to sit down in. Gu Lingsha sat down confidently across her before the waiter brought the menu over, and the two of them ordered their food.

Xi Xiaye lowered her head to take a sip of her lemonade while Gu Lingsha did not make a sound across her. She continued to look at her with that examining gaze. Meanwhile, Xi Xiaye was quite calm and let her size her up.

"I'm really surprised that someone that he fancies could be someone as ordinary as you." Gu Lingsha's calm voice rang out, yet those words made Xi Xiaye uncomfortable. Looking up at the woman across her, she realized that with Gu Lingsha's tall and elegant mannerisms of an aristocrat, there was that bit of contrast compared to her leisurely ways.

Xi Xiaye silently looked at her, then smiled. Her tone was calm. "Otherwise? Did you think that he would like a radiant woman from an aristocratic family like you, Miss Gu?"

Stunned, Gu Lingsha smiled and her voice thinned out. "I don't have any other intentions. It's just that back then..."

Xi Xiaye did not wait for Gu Lingsha to finish. She decided to pre-empt the conversation. "I'm not interested in your past, Miss Gu. I just want to know what you want to talk to me about today. I agreed to meet because I wanted to tell you that with regard to all your unhappiness in the past, I don't want to interfere. You don't have to try getting anything from me either. I've met many women like you."

When Gu Lingsha heard that, she was a little shocked by Xi Xiaye's frankness. The smile that rippled across her face became broader. "Aren't you curious about what happened six years ago? Also, about our past and about our marriage contract before this?"

"You and him? I don't think that there was anything between you and him. He told me that you and he barely knew each other. In fact, you're not even his type. As for the so-called past, since it's already in the past, what's the point of talking about it now?" Xi Xiaye answered her, unaffected.

At this moment, the waiter brought the food over. Xi Xiaye did not even look at Gu Lingsha before she started to slice her own steak.

"You're quite calm about Lingtian's matter. All of you barely know much about it, yet you keep acting like victims. Qingming 's coming soon. Why don't you go ask Mu Yuchen if he feels a sliver of guilt all these years? And Mu Lingshi, how her face was ruined? I'm sure Mu Yuchen knows best."

Responding to Xi Xiaye's cold attitude, Gu Lingsha suddenly thought of Mu Yuchen who was also just as unfriendly, and her beautiful eyes turned hostile.

Chapter 796. Xiaye VS Gu Lingsha (2)

When this issue was raised, Xi Xiaye became a little annoyed. She gave Gu Lingsha a lukewarm gaze and smiled to say, "Yes, he knows best how these things happened, but no one would know better than you!"

"Miss Gu, I think you're the one who keeps pretending to be a victim. He's willing to admit that he was wrong in the past, but don't you forget who was the reason behind it! If it weren't for you, Mu Lingtian wouldn't have been dragged into it too. As his fiance, not only did you not stay by his side, but you even had scandals with other men, and you still have the audacity to turn around and blame him. How does your brain work? If this were the past, a woman like you would've been drowned in a swine cage, don't you know that?"

Xi Xiaye studied the egotistical woman in amusement, yet she felt a hint of sorrow and distress for the man.

"Qi Feng and I have never done anything wrong to him. Lingtian would know this very well, and so would Qi Lei. I have a clear conscience!" Gu Lingsha's gaze was cold while her lips curled up in hostility.

"Only you would know your own conscience! Back then, when you let Mu Lingtian help you two escape, you were already driving a wedge in their brotherly kinship. Miss Gu, don't think that he owes you anything. You were the one who was wrong first. Besides not self-reflecting, you're even pushing the blame onto someone else. Forget about how you're recklessly self-indulgent, you even pretend to be a justified victim. I really do look down on you. In fact, I loathe you!"

Xi Xiaye's eyes suddenly surfaced with a sharp light, and her tone was extremely stern and disapproving. "You shouldn't even have come looking for me today. I'm not so foolish as to doubt him because of your few words. All the dumbest women in the world love doing the same thing as you're doing right now."

With Xi Xiaye lashing out like this, a sliver of coldness flashed in Gu Lingsha's eyes, yet she had strong restraint. Facing the fuming Xi Xiaye, she could not help but feel a flash of disdain. She really did not understand what redeeming qualities this woman had.

Family background? Was she not an outdated daughter of the former mayor?

Looks? Her delicate features could be deemed pretty if one forced oneself to admit so!

Talent? She was probably just a woman who relied on others to climb to the top!

The reason Gu Lingsha had come to look for Xi Xiaye today was actually simple. Earlier, she had an unhappy encounter with Qi Lei, who was already beginning to distrust her, so she wanted to personally probe Xi Xiaye again because, in the days to come, she would be in more contact with this woman.

With this probing, she could roughly figure out how Xi Xiaye was like.

Gu Lingsha had some knowledge about psychology since she had settled into it for many years now. She felt like she could express her emotions as she wished, so when she faced Xi Xiaye's reprimanding, she could dismiss it with a laugh.

"Who you like has nothing to do with me, but I can't deny that since Qi Lei admires you so much, Miss Xi, I'm sure you have outstanding qualities." The smile on Gu Lingsha's pretty face seemed sly to Xi Xiaye, and her tone sounded oddly ear-piercing too.

Nevertheless, Xi Xiaye was not stupid. How could she not understand what Gu Lingsha was implying?

She thought about it and finally decided not to respond. Her face contained a distant coldness as she silently lowered her head and begun to elegantly eat the sliced beef on her plate.

Gu Lingsha could feel Xi Xiaye nonchalant's indifference. Her heart quietly sank for a bit while she thought about it. "I had a marriage contract with Mu Yuchen since I was young, but we both didn't know about it. It was only brought up when we grew up. Qi Feng, Qi Lei, Lingtian, and I grew up together and even went to school together, so I'm really close to them.

"When I first realized that I was Mu Yuchen's fiance, it was true that he and I had only met a few times. Every time I went to the Mu residence, he wasn't around, and after he returned from retiring from the military, our marriage was brought up again. To get it done, we agreed to try marriage out for three months," Gu Lingsha narrated very calmly as her beautiful eyes flashed with a faint light. While she seemed to recollect these memories, she looked a little dazed.

Of course, Xi Xiaye knew about this since Mu Yuchen had occasionally brought this up to her before, but afterward, only Lingtian had stayed behind. In fact, according to that news that made the man upset before, it had most likely happened during this time. However, she did not know whether this woman knew about those secrets too.

If the truth really was as such, Xi Xiaye thought to herself that perhaps it was best never to have known.

When she thought about this, Xi Xiaye did not expose her, she continued to have her meal in a relaxed manner.

As Gu Lingsha said this, she paused to look at Xi Xiaye, and the two of them suddenly stopped talking. Xi Xiaye continued to eat unhurriedly while Gu Lingsha watched her with mixed emotions in her eyes, not bothering to eat.

After a while, Xi Xiaye finally ate her fill. She took the napkin to wipe her mouth before saying, "If you want to tell me about any memorable or special past between the two of you, then I advise you now that you're spending your time on the wrong things. No matter what happened, he married me in the end, and right now he's not only my husband, but he's also the father to my child. I'm happy with this outcome. All the so-called past isn't important to me. You're quite a scheming one. Did you underestimate my EQ or did you overestimate your own IQ?"

As Xi Xiaye spoke, she squinted at her with waning interest, feeling bored.

She wanted to give her some eye drops so that she should see how her Mr. Mu was so good to her right now. He practically wanted to fit her into his pocket so he could bring her everywhere.

Who would not have a past?

He had never been petty about those afflicted memories between her and Han Yifeng. Therefore, she would not be so silly as to be caught up with these things. If these were matters that could be laughed off, why should they make it a barrier between them?

This mindset was actually only something she slowly felt after she got together with him. As he enlightened her along the way, she suddenly realized that she could actually live life feeling more relaxed.

Without bothering with too much, many things could actually become simple.

When Xi Xiaye finished, Gu Lingsha felt like she had been slapped. Even Xi Xiaye did not know how she could be so harsh with her words before this woman, and it was quite a personal attack too. She surely had the potential to be a sharp-tongued b*tch.

She decided that when she returned to the office later, she would badmouth about this woman to Mr. Mu, say ruthless things about her, and make Mr. Mu hate this shameless woman even more!

Chapter 797. Xiaye VS Gu Lingsha (3)

Upon seeing Gu Lingsha's expression turn slightly rigid despite her trying hard to maintain her gentle and elegant mannerisms, Xi Xiaye only smiled indifferently as she said calmly, "Miss Gu, you won't mind me being so frank, will you? I'm worried that if I beat around the bush, you might not understand."

"Alright, so we've met and talked. I'm done eating, so I'll make a move first." Xi Xiaye tossed the napkin aside and got up apathetically. Her frail and slender figure very quickly left her seat, yet just as she took a step, she suddenly stopped and turned around to look at Gu Lingsha whose expression had darkened. Xi Xiaye's long and fair fingers waved her black card as she smiled to say, "Miss Gu, let's pay for ourselves. I'll pay by card. Remember to pay for your share. Imperial Sky doesn't operate on a credit system here."

Then, she smiled sweetly before abruptly turning to leave.

"You..." Gu Lingsha's expression worsened further!

Xi Xiaye clearly saw that she had forgotten her handbag. Gu Lingsha wanted to make her look bad!

Not only were they not friends, but they might also even be enemies. Xi Xiaye would feel foolish for treating this tacky foe to a meal for nothing. Certainly, Mr. Mu's money was not meant to be wasted like that.

When she saw Xi Xiaye's figure vanish at the entrance, the light in Gu Lingsha's eyes faded.

Xi Xiaye! Wonderful, we'll see how wide your wings can spread when the time comes!

Gu Lingsha's expression sank as she balled her hands into fists. After a while, she waved for the waiter, asking him to follow her downstairs to get her handbag for the bill.

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In the office of Glory World Corporation's Chairman.

Mu Yuchen sat on the lounge chair facing several large screens with a remote control in his hand. He was observing the looping news on the screen while his other hand grasped the cup of tea that had just been served. He sipped it from time to time.

Suddenly, there was a knock from outside, and he answered calmly without looking, "Come in!"

Then, the door was pushed open gently to reveal a gap before Xi Xiaye walked in carefully. When she saw the man on the lounge chair, she slowed down and gently closed in.

While Mu Yuchen was focused on watching the stock market on the screen in front of him, when the familiar fragrance seeped into his nostrils, he snapped back in an instant. He practically tossed away the remote control in the blink of an eye, circling his long arms around the woman's slender waist. His deep and gentle voice sounded particularly gentle in this large space. "Why are you here? Have you had lunch?"

Xi Xiaye stopped, quietly standing by his side and sighing lightly as she took the tea from his hand. She finished it in a few sips before setting the cup aside. Then, she said in a slightly raspy voice, "I came over to do a spot check. What's wrong? Am I not welcomed?"

Then, her brows raised as she smiled faintly at him with narrowed eyes.

He chuckled as his slender fingers slid down and accurately held hers. "Why wouldn't you be? I wish you could come every single day. What a coincidence! There's a charity award banquet tonight, and they want me to be a guest to give an award. Would you be willing to be my date, Missus?"

For such banquets, if Mu Yuchen had no way of rejecting them, he would go alone. Previously, when Xi Xiaye was more mobile, he could still be her date. When Xi Xiaye became less free, he would just go alone. No one had seen any other woman by his side apart from Xi Xiaye.

She knew that very well, which was why she would never reject him as she gladly nodded. "Thank you, Mr. Mu, for not turning your back on me."

He took a look at the teacup she set aside before he asked softly, "I'd turn my back on myself before I'd ever do that to you. Do you want more?"

Xi Xiaye shook her head, her long lashes flickering as she watched him for a moment. She suddenly bent down and went closer to his ears to say in a lowered voice, "Guess who I met earlier?"

"You know so many people. How am I supposed to guess? What did the doctor say? Has your body recovered?" There was a faint concern in his eyes.

"It's been two months. I'm almost there now. I just have to rest for a while more before I can return to work. I'm bored doing nothing at home all day. I feel like I've become sluggish now. They say one pregnancy makes you three years dumber, so I have to get back to my old self," she said as she caressed the ring on his finger, a little bored.

He smiled and dotingly opened his hands to let her play with. "As you wish. As long as you've recovered, Grandpa and I have pretty much arranged it all. Recently, Grandpa's been busy with the South River project too. If we don't get this bid, we'll have to pivot and develop Movie City. It might not be a good thing for us to be in the limelight too much."

"If we don't get the bid? How would things be on Qi Kai's end then? Qi Lei put his all in for the South River project." XI Xiaye looked at Mu Yuchen puzzledly.

"I've thought about that, but don't forget what Qi Kai did to build their riches. CEO Li has thought about scaling up Movie City. You know that Glory World doesn't have much experience in this field, and Chenye Movies and Television is still exploring our way forward."

"What do you plan on doing that? I'm worried that..." Xi Xiaye was confused right now. In the final months of her pregnancy, apart from paying attention to the South River project and Fuhua's matters, she did not have the energy to care much about anything else.

"Grandpa came looking for me a few days ago. He said he has his own plans. Even after we get the bid, the price for that land won't be cheap. The risk is high. You now know that property development is in a slump. I advised Grandpa to diversify his developments. Working on the Movie City development, or building an entertainment center would be better than just another office or residential building."

Mu Yuchen roughly knew what Shen Yue was thinking about. A while back, he heard Li Si say that Shen Yue had asked Lang Zilang to check on his past relationship with Qi Qiming and the rest.

Xi Xiaye fell silent for a while, then she decided not to continue asking. "Okay then. I won't interfere with this matter. However, I hope that you can all be nice to Qi Lei. It's tough for him. Everyone's treating him like a chess piece, and I don't think he'd feel too happy about that."

"Are you feeling sorry for him now?" Upon hearing her say that, he smiled faintly at her with squinted eyes.

Xi Xiaye sighed and then smiled calmly before replying disappointedly, "I just feel a little sad seeing that. I don't know why but seeing him like that makes me think of myself in the past. I went through helplessness and difficulties. Of course, I hope he won't go through the same things I did. He's a pretty decent person, and decent people should receive good karma."

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He had a grin on his face when he heard her. "Aren't you worried that I might get jealous when you talk about him like that in front of me?"

Xi Xiaye tightened her grip until she felt a slight pain in her fingers. She rolled her eyes at him. "That's exactly my intention. The problem is will you be jealous? Ask me quickly who I met earlier? Hurry!"

She wanted to give Gu Lingsha a lesson. She would never bow down to Gu Lingsha acting all high and mighty just because she was from a prestigious family. Mr. Mu was not a simple man like that.

"Who did you meet, my dear?" Mu Yuchen fulfilled her wish and finally asked her.

A scowl tinted her expression. "It's Gu Lingsha. She stopped me in the car park at the hospital just now."

The man's expression darkened. His eyes turned cold as his grip on her hand tightened. He remained silent for a moment, but his tone was calm as usual. "What has she told you now?"

"Still the same things as before. She told me about the time you tried out your marriage to her, and that the Qingming festival is coming soon..." She just looked at him quietly.

Mu Yuchen put on a gentle smile. He spoke as if he was not concerned at all, "That does sound like what that idiotic woman would do."

"Mr. Mu, I have this feeling that she has something for you. When I mentioned Qi Feng, Lingtian, and Qi Lei, it felt like she's trying to avoid getting clumped together with them. My womanly instinct is telling me that she might have feelings for you, especially when it comes to such a prideful woman like her. If you...mmm!"

Before she could finish her sentence, the man embraced her in his arms as his lips met hers. He stopped whatever she was about to say and went on the offensive as if he was trying to punish her. He let her go moments later as he looked into her eyes. "My dear, please let me off this! The one she likes is Qi Feng. Aren't you afraid that my reputation will be damaged by you saying those things!?"

She stared at him in surprise, not sure how to react.

A light flashed past in his eyes as he said helplessly, "She told me personally that she likes Qi Feng. Plus, I told her then that she isn't my type."

"Don't you know that women don't always mean what they say?

"Are you talking about yourself?" He raised his eyebrows and looked at her.

Xi Xiaye shrugged.

"Just ignore her the next time. I'll be facing misfortune again if she keeps telling you bad things about me!" Mu Yuchen lectured Xi Xiaye again. He took a pause before he continued, "Gu Lingsha is an expert at psychological attacks. The smart Qi Lei would feel sorry for her too. I suppose you won't just believe whatever she said, will you? Just ask me if you have any questions. Don't keep your doubts to yourself. I'm not worried about the tricks they might use. I'm just worried about your trust in me. Do you understand?"

His tone sounded heavy when he spoke. He studied her intently. "I can only handle the world when I'm in control of my inner world. This is a rule that can never be changed."

Xi Xiaye nodded her head and left a kiss on his forehead. "You're always right!"

His smile grew wider, and he gave her another hot, passionate kiss. He always knew that choosing her was the correct decision.

In the evening, Li Si delivered Xi Xiaye's dresses over according to Mu Yuchen's order. She put one of the dresses on and applied light makeup before heading to the banquet with Mu Yuchen.

The award ceremony was held on a large ship. It was a big charity movie awards night which a lot of public figures were attending. Many other huge companies participated as well, hence Mu Yuchen was attending it too.

At the same time, inside the VIP room at a hotel nearby City Z's docks, a man was looking out at the dark sky while sitting on a chair. The room was quiet.

He wore a black casual outfit with a black cap on his head along with a pair of dark sunglasses, so it was difficult to tell who it was.

"Boss, Mu Yuchen and his woman left Glory World Corporation and are heading towards the venue of the banquet. Wang Qin and Qi Lei are there as well," his subordinate reported quietly, afraid that he might disturb the man who seemed to be in deep thought.

The man sitting on the chair straightened his back and switched into a more comfortable position as he clasped his two hands together. "Oh? Xi Xiaye, huh?"

The man in the black suit behind him replied, "Yes, Boss!"

"Xi Xiaye... Let's make some slight changes then. These people aren't idiots. We should at least give them a warm-up. Come here." The man signaled his subordinate to go nearer, so the man in the black suit quickly went forward.

The man sitting on the chair turned aside and gave several orders, to which his man nodded. "Yes, I got it. I'll arrange for it immediately!"

"The day after tomorrow is Qingming, isn't it?" the man straightened his back and asked.

"Yes, Boss! Today is the third."

The man took a deep breath as he looked outside at the dark sky. "We'll leave the night after tomorrow then."

"Yes, Boss!"

"What's the progress of that matter I told you to investigate?" the man asked.

"I've found their tracks. They flew straight towards Australia from France a month ago. Maybe they found something."

"The fact that he caught onto it now proves that Mu Yuchen is quite a capable man." The man laughed coldly, but it was difficult to determine what he was feeling at the moment.

"Boss, should we inform them to leave Australia?"

"There's no need. I'm looking forward to it. After hiding for such a long time, it's about time for things to come to light. I'm looking forward to seeing Mu Yuchen's expression when he sees Weiwei. I believe they'll accept the fact happily."

"But Ms. Weiwei... Don't you like her a lot?"

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The man smiled as his subordinate replied him, "It'll come out sooner or later. Let them get busy with it. Weiwei is the core person here. I'll see how long can Mu Yuchen hold on. It'll be advantageous to Qi Qiming if we do this well. He's having trouble just dealing with Wang Qin. Don't even think about the South River project."

"Yes, Boss! Do we need to investigate Fuhua's Shen Yue further?" asked the man in the black suit.

"There's no need. It's Qi Qiming's business to take care of it. Go and make the arrangements now," instructed the man coldly.

The man in the black suit bowed and left the room without saying a thing. Soon, the whole room returned to silence.

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At the same time, inside Shen Yue's study room, a sudden voice startled Shen Yue who was playing the accordion.

"Elder CEO, here are the documents you wanted. I found something."

Lan Zilang went over and helped Shen Yue put the accordion sown. The melody still echoed within these empty walls.

Shen Yue stopped playing and just let Lan Zilang take the accordion away. He grabbed the documents he handed over as he wore his glasses while Lan Zilang switched the lights on.

Shen Yue lowered his head and went through the documents. His face became strained as he read them further and his eyes darkened.

He averted his gaze away moments later and looked at Lan Zilang. "How could this be? No wonder Qi Qiming is always acting against Ah Chen. I've heard something about this back then. There was a financial crisis in Asia which affected many industries. All the businesses made losses throughout the year. Fortunately, things turned out better towards the end of the year. The Hui Gu Corporation suffered huge losses as well. I heard Gu Qiwu planned to work with Qi Kai on a project. Let me think... It should be the project regarding the New Era Plaza."

"This explains a lot if it's true. Is the Gu family trying to use their marriage to take this project? I've never heard about any marriage promises between Chairman Mu and Gu Lingsha. Would Ms. Xiaye overthink if she heard about this?" Lan Zilang was worried.

"Xiaye isn't someone who'd trust gossip. I'll have to ask Ah Chen about this. It seems like things are much more complicated than it seems. Knowing that Qi Qiming really favors Qi Feng a lot, it makes sense that he'd cause Ah Chen trouble as revenge for Qi Feng."

Shen Yue gave it some thought. "Zilang, keep an eye on the Hui Gu Corporation. Besides, the lands in the east of the city are almost done. Inform the buyers and sell them at the current market price. I feel a little uneasy regarding the South River project. Let's get back some funds so that we don't have to worry about it later."

"Wouldn't we suffer losses if we take the funds now? I just made another evaluation with the others. It might go up higher." Lan Zilang was hesitant.

"Those lands have already gone up several times of its original price by now. A businessman should try to be safe. Just do as I say. Contact the buyers and sell it to them. Regarding South River Project No. 2, please act like we're sure to get it. Raise the stakes a little and observe the reactions from Qi Kai," Shen Yue gave his orders decisively.

"Elder CEO, but..."

That was just giving free money to the government! Why would he do that?

"No but's. I have my own plans. By the way, make arrangements for Qi Lei to meet me. Be quick to contact the buyers, and make sure we get the money before the tender is revealed."

Lan Zilang's heart sank when he saw Shen Yue's serious expression. He nodded. "Yes, Elder CEO. I'll get it done right now!"

"Go!" Shen Yue waved his hand. Then, he grabbed a lighter and burned the documents to ashes.

Lan Zilang took a deep breath and quickly left the study room.

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Night fell and lights filled up the city. The road towards the South River dock seemed pretty lively today as many cars passed by with formally dressed up passengers in them.

It was a huge day for the entertainment industry with such a grand charity movie awards night. Not only would it see the best actors and actresses being awarded, but it was also a great chance for new artistes to present themselves!

As Qi Kai was one of the leaders of the industry, it was only natural for them to participate in this event. However, with Qi Qiming out of the country at the moment, another iconic person from Qi Kai represented them instead. It was the Deputy CEO of Qi Kai, Wang Qin.

Wang Qin brought Qi Lei along with the purpose of expanding his social network.

On the road towards the South River dock, Qi Lei was sitting in the car quietly right beside Wang Qin.

Qi Lei did not utter a word along the journey. Although Wang Qin did speak a little, there was a slight tension inside the car when no one replied to her. The faint light from the streetlamps projected into

the car. Wang Qin turned over and noticed Qi Lei looking out of the window quietly. She was not sure how he was feeling.

"Xiao Lei, did you listen to what I said just now?" She had been talking but did not get any reaction from Qi Lei. "I've totally given up on Qi Qiming. I've never hoped for him to understand after knowing him for so many years."

Wang Qin took a deep breath as she thought about the past few decades. She had stayed beside this sick bastard simply because she wanted Qi Lei to become the true Master of the Qi family. That was the only way she could feel at ease, and she endured all the tough times for this sole purpose.

Chapter 800. Sudden Change! (3)

Wang Qin had always been a strong woman,

She started getting involved in her family business since she was 20 years old, and she valued family bonds even more so than her romantic relationship. That was the reason why she decisively gave up on the man she loved and married Qi Qiming as per her family's arrangement.

She never loved Qi Qiming all these years, and he never loved her either.

Both of them knew they loved other people. Wang Qin gave up on finding love ever again. On the other hand, Qi Qiming's mistresses never stopped appearing, with Lu Xinlan being just one of the many.

Lu Xinlan mentioned that Mu Zi was Qi Qiming's true love, but Wang Qin was quite doubtful about this. Although Qi Qiming did show Mu Zi quite a bit of attention and was particularly nice to Mu Lingtian as well, Mu Yuchen had already told her that Mu Lingtian and Mu Lingshi were not related to Qi Qiming at all.

That meant that Mu Zi's lover was not Qi Qiming. He was not an idiot, but why would he be so nice to Mu Lingtian if he was not his child?

Wang Qin could not figure it out, and this question had been bugging her ever since.

Was it just because Mu Lingtian was Qi Feng's good friend?

"There's no point wasting your time if you know he'll never change. Stop using me as an excuse after so many years. Divorce is the best option you can choose right now," Qi Lei finally spoke up. He pinched the space between his eyebrows and continued, "Any stepfather you find for me is probably better than him. I'm not staying with you two anyway. I don't care what the two of you are doing. You're giving yourself a tough time, and I'm suffering the consequences."

Qi Lei put on a wicked smile as sarcasm filled his tone. "If I were you, I'd collect evidence of him cheating. He also uses violence on you, doesn't he? If you're lucky, you might be able to get half of his assets if you present these pieces of evidence to the court." His tone was casual and easy as if he did not care.

"No, Xiao Lei, you'd lose everything if I do that. Your grandfather has already proclaimed you as the successor of the Qi family. We're not here to steal from others, but we should take what we deserve. I've endured this the whole time. I can't involve my son as well!"

Wang Qin looked at Qi Lei with sorrow in her eyes. "Qi Qiming shifted his hatred towards me onto you. You're innocent, Xiao Lei. It's all my fault."

Qi Lei turned away, his smile becoming cold, and eventually, his expression faded. He just looked outside the car window without saying anything.

"Xiao Lei, I just hope that you can be well. I hope you don't have to become like me. I want you to lead a happy life, but you're such a proud person. How could you...? I know you don't like to listen to this since I'm sure you already know, but I suppose he never thought of you as his son, seeing how he treated you in Gu Lingsha's office."

"He has no right to be my father," Qi Lei gave a brief reply. Wang Qin was heartbroken to hear that, so she assured him, "You still have me! I'll protect you forever!"

"It's fine. It really doesn't matter to me. Just take care of yourself. Because of just one mistake, you're suffering the consequences for the rest of your life. I'm really impressed by your courage and tenacity. If it were me, I'd have left a long time ago."

Qi Lei took a deep breath and continued, "You don't have to bother with Shasha as well. If not, that old man might mess with you. Shasha... She's changed. If you mess with her, she might do something to you. I know her way too well."

"Gu Lingsha! I told you she's a scheming woman, Xiao Lei. Luckily, you didn't go over that time, or else you might've been the one in the accident instead of Mu Lingtian! Mu Lingtian is really stupid, being fooled by Gu Lingsha. She was eloping together with Qi Feng and not him. I'm not sure if I should laugh or applaud his effort," Wang Qin said.

"Mind your words. Lingtian is my good friend." Qi Lei's eyes darkened when he heard Wang Qin's remark, and he shot Wang Qin an unhappy glance. "I'm sure he has his reasons. Maybe he doesn't deserve the criticism."

"I know you, Qi Feng, and Mu Lingtian were all under Gu Lingsha's spell. Speaking of Mu Lingtian, he probably loved Gu Lingsha as much as you both. The way he looks at her can't be faked. However, I never expected him to just hand her over to Qi Feng." Wang Qin was reminded of some scenes from the past.

However, Qi Lei frowned. "Lingtian? What do you mean?"

"Don't you know?" Wang Qin was confused. She took a pause before explaining, "On the day before Gu Lingsha and Mu Yuchen's marriage, Mu Lingtian and Qi Feng had a fight. It was really intense. Qi Feng even punched Mu Lingtian. I was worried that you might be involved. That was why I made you go away."

Wang Qin thought about what might have happened if she did not make Qi Lei go away. He might have been in the car, and it would have been disastrous!

"Did you say Qi Feng punched Lingtian?" Qi Lei squinted his eyes as he looked at Wang Qin. "Do you remember why they fought?"

Wang Qin gave it some thought before shaking her head. "Qi Feng was already hitting him when I noticed them. Lingtian even puked some blood. Qi Qiming found out and pulled them apart. When Qi Feng said Mu Lingtian was unforgivable, he was probably blaming Mu Lingtian for not being able to stop the marriage between Gu Lingsha and Mu Yuchen, or else they wouldn't have run away. Gu Lingsha is

really scary. She had so many men dancing around on her fingertips, yet she didn't appreciate Mu Yuchen at all. Instead, she got together with Qi Feng, involving both you and Lingtian!"