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Chapter 1191: Tian Shen Manor's Difficulty V

Fu Chen emphasized those last three words as if to convince himself to believe Nan Xian.

Feng Ruqing looked determined. "Well, I believe in him too."

Because... He was her state preceptor.

He was the one she had decided to be with since the very beginning after coming to this mainland.

She was willing to believe every word he said, forever!

"Let's go. We can't waste any more time. I must break this seal quickly to save him."

If Nan Xian was struggling there, then she... Must not let him down.

The sky here was much brighter than that place, and even the air was exceptionally fresh and crisp. Feng Ruqing quickly made her way to the edge of the mountain to break the seal.

She walked as fast as the wind, leaving only a shadow behind...

To leave Fang Zhu Mainland, Feng Ruqing and Nan Xian had gotten themselves into danger. And at the same time, Tian Shen Manor was not in a good situation either.

Since that day, after receiving a group of skilled masters from Jia Xin, Mu Huan did not go to the Mu family to pick Chen Qingyan, but she went to the Qin family first to look for Qin Li.

Qin Li had long planned to rebel, but he was weak. He had just made a breakthrough to Lower Holy Warrior tier a few years ago. He took many spirit herbs during this whole year of closed-door cultivation but could not continue to make a breakthrough.

But chief manor Gu Shi had reached Intermediate Holy Warrior tier earlier.

With just one tier of difference, the level of strength was so different. Otherwise, Qin Li would not have wanted to kill Gu Yiyi to make Gu Shi lose his will to live just so he could seize the throne.

However...

Everything had changed since Mu Huan's arrival.

Mu Huan had given Qin Li a spirit herb that could enhance the cultivator's strength. But this spirit herb was limited only to women.

Qin Li's first thought was Qin Fei'er.

Therefore, he had given Qin Fei'er the spirit herb without hesitation.

Qin Fei'er's strength was indeed good, but her illness back then had stopped her from cultivating. Because of that spirit herb, she could enhance all the strength and had made a breakthrough to Advanced Holy Warrior tier!

Qin Li was pleasantly surprised when it worked, but the Qin family's Lady Wen Yu was so worried about her daughter.

Qin Li was blinded by greed. He had never once wondered that if this spirit herb was perfect, why did Mu Huan not use it himself, but instead gave it to the Qin family?

If there was no repercussion, how could it be... So effective?

The situation in Tian Shen Manor had changed after Qin Fei'er's breakthrough. Various clans had sensed the tense atmosphere and split into two factions.

One faction, led by the old master of the Mu family, stood on the chief manor's side. The other faction was those who had sensed something weird but still chose to stay with the Qin family because of their fear of death.

A war within Tian Shen Manor was on the verge of breaking out!

The Qin family.

In a young girl's room, Qin Fei'er was sitting in front of the window, staring blankly at the lake outside the window. She was so beautiful, but the wrinkles had already spread from the corners of her eyes.

"Xiao Yue, have I been aging a little more lately?"

Qin Fei'er touched the corners of her eyes and asked in a faint voice.

Xiao Yue, Qin Fei'er's new servant, lowered her head timidly as she replied, "Young Lady always looks young and beautiful."

"Xiao Yue..." Qin Fei'er laughed bitterly. "Don't lie to me. I'm very conscious of my appearance. I've aged faster since I took the spirit herb given by my father. And look... I already have white hair."

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Xiao Yue stiffened, not daring to say more.

Fortunately, Qin Fei'er had always been very kind to her servants. She did not force her to say much but continued muttering to herself, "That spirit herb is so effective, it will take something from me for sure. I've used all of my strength to make a breakthrough to such a powerful tier, which means... I'll also lose my youthful years."

"Young Lady, many people in Tian Shen Manor have spent their entire life to break through to Advanced Holy Warrior tier. Young Lady has been able to make a breakthrough, it is enough to prove that Young Lady is so talented and powerful."

Xiao Yue looked up and said.

Qin Fei'er chuckled. "He... Hasn't returned yet?"

Xiao Yue naturally knew who Qin Fei'er was referring to and replied respectfully, "Young Master Qin Chen is in the Mu family and has never returned."

“Chen’er is not my brother, but I’ve treated him as my own brother. But, I’m no match for that outsider.” Qin Fei’er clenched her fists tightly, then loosened them after a while. “I still let him go so, I want him to come back now, and since he has chosen to do this... There is nothing I can do.”

Qin Fei’er knew that the Qin family owed Qin Chen a debt, and she had done her best to make up for it. But why did he still choose to leave?

“Xiao Yue, Qin Chen had left the last drug primer before he left, and I’m reluctant to use it. Please bring it to me.”

The drug primer, which was drawn through fresh blood, had been her life-saving drug.

“Hasn’t Young Lady recovered from her illness? Young Lady looks healthy since the breakthrough,” Xiao Yue asked dumbly.

Qin Fei’er smiled lightly and said, “The Qin family has not kept anything of his since he left. He has abandoned our love and left the Qin family, so why should I be too attached to it? Bring it to me. He had used countless spirit herbs to prepare the drug primer, so it is very precious. We can’t waste it.”

“Yes, Young Lady.”

Xiao Yue bowed respectfully and left.

Qin Fei’er stared at the sky casually.

She did not blame Feng Ruqing for taking Nan Xian away from her because Qin Fei’er was too slow and did not seize the opportunity quickly.

However, Feng Ruqing... Should not have killed the servant who had been like her sister since she was a child, and Feng Ruqing should not have taken her brother whom she had cared so much for.

Ever since that day, she was no longer the weak and innocent Qin Fei’er she once was.

Her father was right.

To deal with a wicked person like Feng Ruqing... She had to be stronger than her! So powerful that... She would no longer dare to bully her Qin family again!

“Fei’er...”

Wen Yu had walked through the door and stood behind Qin Fei’er. Her gaze carried a hint of worry.

Qin Fei’er stood up. “Mother, it’s getting late. We’ve given the Mu family and the Luo family time to consider, and now they must choose between Gu Shi and us!”

Wen Yu stared worriedly at the wrinkles that had appeared in the corners of Qin Fei’er’s eyes, and there was some regret in her heart.

She did not know... Whether it was right or wrong for her to kill the servant and blame Feng Ruqing deliberately.

She knew that the servant was important to her daughter, but she had still beaten her to death with a stick angrily and had hurt her daughter... She was tolerant before, but now she was greedy for power.

Of course, the servant's death was just bait, and Qin Chen's departure was like adding oil to the fire.

What made anger boil up in Qin Fei'er was... Her resentment, jealousy, and grudge!

Her emotions had been hidden for so long that even she had not noticed it. But all it took was a few catalysts to coax the anger until it was impossible to hide it anymore!

Chapter 1193: Tian Shen Manor's Difficulty VII

The Mu family.

The old master Mu was sitting high above everyone. His face darkened, and his gaze was cold and serious.

Besides Mu Ling, there were a few uncles of the Mu family sitting below him.

These people looked unpleasant, and some of them frowned.

"Master, if the Qin family wants to rebel, we have to choose one of them. Qin Fei'er's strength has surpassed Gu Shi now. If we side with the Gu family, maybe... The Mu family will be in deep trouble."

"That's right, Master. Anyway, Gu Shi has seized his place as the chief manor. His action is illegitimate, and he might be destroyed as his strength is not powerful enough right now. So why should we interfere?"

"In my opinion, it's better for us to side with the Qin family. Don't be like that fool of the Luo family, who was captured by the Qin family for supporting Gu Shi. Now their fate is unknown, and those clansmen of the Luo family all hate him to death."

"Master, for the sake of the Mu family, you must make a choice. It's not easy for our Mu family to survive in Tian Shen Manor for so many years. We can't let our empire be destroyed by them."

Old Master Mu's cold face grew colder, yet he never uttered a single word, and the people were unable to guess what was on his mind.

Just then, a light laugh came from outside the door.

They turned their heads and saw a beautiful figure with a long snow-colored robe coming from the door.

From the moment Suyi appeared, Mu Ling's eyes were fixed on her. His eyes were somewhat dazed as he could not keep his eyes off her.

He had not been able to get close to Suyi since she moved into the old master's yard a year ago.

It was as if... Time was stopped at this moment. His eyes were filled with the figure of a woman who looked like an immortal, stunning like their first encounter back then.

Time had blessed her as she had no marks on her face. Compared to him and Chen Qingyan... Both were already old.

Only she remained the same, stunning as before.

Suyi walked in with a smile. "It's impossible for you guys to give up Gu Shi. The old master and Gu Shi have decided the marriage between Xiao Qingyin and Gu Yiyi. Just wait for them to come back to set the marriage. Do you think the old master will abandon the Gu family and Xiao Qingyin?"

The uncles' expressions had changed drastically. They hated Chen Qingyan and accepted Suyi, but for them, the Mu family's matters must come first, and conspiring with Gu Shi at this time would send them to death!

"Young lady, Master and the Gu family only made a verbal agreement, so it doesn't matter. Since the second young master has recovered, there are no worries about finding another woman."

Suyi smiled and said, "Firstly, I'm not the young lady of the Mu family as your young lady is only Chen Qingyan! Secondly, Xiao Qingyin and the old master are both men of great affection, what makes you think that they would abandon Gu Shi?"

The hall was windless, but the corner of Suyi's robe was swaying gently. Her gaze was as calm as before, but the coldness in her black eyes was unsettling.

Pop!

Old Master Mu smashed the table with his hand and stood violently. "That's enough!"

"Master!"

"Everything will be done according to Suyi's words, and since I've promised Gu Shi to get married, I won't break that promise."

What was the difference between a man and a beast if he did not keep his word?

He was not Mu Ling, who could ignore the promise he had given to Suyi back then.

He had promised Gu Shi with the engagement, and no matter what, the Mu family could not break their promise!

Chapter 1194: Tian Shen Manor's Difficulty VIII

It was the basic principle of being human.

"But, Master..." The Mu family's men, led by Mu Ying, were a little panicked as they tried to persuade the old master. "What about the Mu family's empire that has existed for years? Are you just going to sit back and watch our empire be destroyed by them?"

Old Master Mu smiled sardonically.

"After asking me to abandon the Gu family, will you guys ask me to send Nan Xian to Qin Fei'er again?"

The breaths of the crowd were caught in their throats, in fact, they did think so.

Qin Fei'er had made a breakthrough to Advanced Holy Warrior tier, a realm most people would never reach in their lifetime.

The Mu family's position in Tian Shen Manor would be stable and secure if they joined the Qin family's side.

They did not have the guts to say that in front of Suyi and the old master, so they expressed their thoughts with their expressions.

Master Mu laughed even more coldly. "I'd rather destroy ten temples than break up a relationship! Nan Xian loves that young girl Xiao Qing. He doesn't like the Qin family's girl. You want him to marry Qin Fei'er? Nonsense!"

Mu Ying paused, gaining courage before saying, "But Mu Ling and Chen Qingyan were once in love, didn't you split them up too, Master?"

This time, it was not just the old master Mu, even Mu Ling's expression changed.

Mu Ling never thought that Mu Ying would bring up this matter. He looked at Suyi carefully, and after seeing her face as expressionless as ever, he was a bit disappointed again.

The old master Mu looked at Mu Ying coldly. "Like a mother, like a daughter. Now look, my perspective is correct."

Not long ago, the old master Mu had beaten Chen Qingyan badly outside his courtyard, not that he had not seen it, but instead, he felt that it was soothing to watch.

Chen Qingyan's mother had killed his beloved wife, and even if he died, he would never want such a daughter-in-law!

He had already become enemies with her and could not live under the same sky.

He did not kill Chen Qingyan because she was too young back then, but it did not mean that he could accept Chen Qingyan as part of his family.

Only Mu Ling, a man with no taste, loved Chen Qingyan so much that he had often visited her young mother, causing her to fall in love with him.

Well...

Mu Ling was already grown up back then, so he felt sorry for Chen Qingyan who had lost her mother at a young age. But why did he not give this empathy to Mu Qingyin? Compared to Chen Qingyan, Mu Qingyin had not seen his mother since birth.

How could he not hate her!

"Besides..." The old master smiled coldly. "Can a son be like a grandson? All my sons are bastards, and only my grandchildren have listened to me."

Mu Ling was speechless.

Somehow, he felt a pain in his heart.

Suyi cleared her throat and said awkwardly, "Old Master, Xiao Qingyin must be sad if he knows this."

"Oh, that has nothing to do with me." The old master Mu glanced at the people present coldly. "You can't discuss much here either, so this is the end of today's meeting. All of you are dismissed!"

The people were a bit hesitant and wanted to continue to persuade him, but the old master Mu's temper had always been too difficult to handle.

"Master!"

Suddenly, a voice came through the door in a haste.

When the old master Mu looked up, he saw one of the guards running into the hall, sweating and almost crying. "Old Master, something bad has happened. The scouts reported that people from the Qin family are heading this way seemingly heading to our Mu family."

Chapter 1195: Tian Shen Manor's Difficulty IX

Just as the words were spoken, the once quiet main hall became noisy in a blink of an eye. Everyone's eyes were filled with fear and panic.

They were afraid... that the Mu family would be destroyed. They were even more afraid... that they would lose their lives here.

"Master, quickly think of a solution!"

"If there really is no choice, then cut all connection with Gu Shi. After that, bring Young Master Nan Xian... That's right, and that guy called Qin Chen, and send them both out! You cannot go down the history of the Mu family as the person who caused the downfall of the family!"

Those people were speaking in turn and were so anxious that tears were almost about to fall.

Old Master Mu was righteous and his face was kind and dignified.

This time, he was no longer looking at anyone. He did not even glance at his own son.

He looked at Suyi alone.

"Suyi, looks like only we can handle these people this time."

Suyi gave a small smile and said, "No problem. I stayed here for Old Master. It is not related to other people. The survival or destruction of the Mu family is not related to me. I am only here for Old Master who has treated me well back then."

"Hahaha, Suyi, in the future, do not address me as 'old master' anymore. You can address me as 'father' as you did before. Not as a daughter-in-law, but rather as a daughter. You were unable to become my daughter-in-law, but you are still my daughter! Calling me 'father' is not too much, is it?"

Old Master laughed and said.

Suyi's heart felt warm. "Father."

She was an orphan and was alone in a foreign land. She was also not the biological daughter of Old Master.

Yet she was able to experience the warmth of a family from him.

Therefore, she had chosen to stay in the Mu family to accompany the lonely old master until Mu Qingyin returned.

The old housekeeper walked into the hall. He was obviously already very old, but his spine was rigid and straight, great and tall like the generals on a battlefield.

“Old Master, from the moment you took me in back then, my life was already yours. Also, the orphans that Lady Suyi had taken in back then, they are here! Therefore, it will not be just the two of you. Although the Mu family’s people are not willing to go to the battle, you still have us!”

Old Master’s old face twitched and finally turned into a small smile.

“Good. Hahaha! I have never been afraid of anyone in my entire life! If the Mu family is no more, we can rebuild it again another day. If credibility is lost, the entire life is gone!”

He had never done anything that would go against his principles and abandon righteousness in his entire life.

To him, keeping promises was more important than life itself.

Just like back then, he had promised that he would only acknowledge his first daughter-in-law in his entire life—only Suyi alone. He would not go back against his words in this lifetime.

“Master!”

The moment Old Master was about to step out of the main hall, another guard rushed over, put his fist to his palm, and reported, “Young Lady has returned.”

Young Lady? Mu Huan?

Old Master frowned.

Mu Huan had disappeared for quite some time. Why did she return home now?

Old Master did not like Chen Qingyan’s two children. However, they were still considered to be in the same generation of his grandchildren. He would not give them a part of the Mu family, but similarly, he also did not wish for them to lose their lives just like that.

“Make her leave!” Old Master’s face was stern.

If it was Mu Xi, then he could have let it go. After all, he was a man from the Mu family. He definitely did not wish for his own grandson to be a weakling.

Mu Huan was a girl and naturally did not need to charge to the frontlines for her family clan.

Truth be told, no matter how much Old Master Mu disliked these two children, he was still clear that their personalities were problematic because Chen Qingyan had brought them up them wrongly.

Children are blank slates.

Chapter 1196: Mu Huan’s Threat I

Mu Huan looked at Old Master Mu with a cold gaze and an expressionless face.

“The Mu family is currently in such a dangerous predicament. I cannot stand aside and just watch from the sidelines. Today, I have come to help the Mu family. You do not have the right to chase me away!”

Old Master Mu’s face turned pale. His good intentions had been twisted into ill intentions. Since she had such thoughts, then there was no need for him to say anything more.

He had already reached his limit of compassion toward Chen Qingyan’s two children!

The eyes of the uncles in the Mu family that were originally dim, lit up when they heard Mu Huan’s words.

However... the Mu family was facing unprecedented dangers this time. Did Mu Huan really have the ability and sufficient cultivation to help the Mu family?

Mu Ling did not have much hatred or disgust toward Mu Huan as she was still his blood and flesh.

Back then when Nan Xian had treated him the way he did, he was able to endure that. Even when Mu Xi was such a jerk, he was still able to turn a blind eye to his actions. Through these, one could see that he had quite a bit of tolerance toward his own blood and flesh.

Currently, everything that had gone wrong was all Chen Qingyan’s fault. These two children were all innocent.

Mu Ling was just about to call out to Mu Huan when he saw Suyi who was calm as usual from the corner of his eye. In the end, he swallowed back the words that were at the tip of his tongue.

Suyi did not like Chen Qingyan and disliked these two children even more. So... if he wanted Suyi to forgive him, he definitely could not display any care or concern toward Mu Huan now.

Mu Huan, however, was looking at Mu Ling in expectation. Her face fell and turned cold. She suddenly recalled the words Mu Xi had said a few days back and involuntarily clenched her fist as she sneered.

“Mu Ling, my mother has always been affectionate toward you. Yet, you have almost beaten her to death for another woman. Now, the sins the Mu family is bearing is the retribution you deserve!”

That was right. This was retribution!

It was a good thing that heaven was not blind, allowing her to obtain Lord Jia Xin’s affection and thus obtaining this opportunity... to let these people who had badly hurt them—mother and daughter —compensate!

“Huan’er!” Mu Ling’s face changed and carried a hint of anger. “Did you just shout at me? When did you become so disrespectful?”

Mu Huan’s lips curled up sardonically. “You have abandoned my mother for an outsider who has long left the Mu family and even tormented her to such an extent. Do you really consider me your daughter? Today, I am here to tell the Mu family that I have the ability to protect the Mu family, but that depends on what the Mu family does!”

Just as she finished speaking, a few figures appeared and stood behind Mu Huan.

These people all had cold, stern looks, just like an icy, watchful sculpture. Their gazes carried appalling murderous intent.

What was more shocking was that these people's cultivation... were all of Holy Warrior tier! Even the worst amongst them was at Intermediate Holy Warrior tier! There were even two who were at Advanced Holy Warrior tier!

Mu Ling finally understood why Mu Huan had such courage to speak the words she had spoken. Immediately, he looked at Mu Huan's belly.

There was a slight bulge at her abdomen. As it was not obvious, he had initially thought that she had gained weight. It was only then, Mu Ling noticed that Mu Huan had been putting her hand on her belly this whole time as a sneer hung on her face.

It was so glaring!

"Huan'er, you are pregnant?"

These words were like thunder on a sunny day, shocking all the people present.

Even for a snobbish man like Mu Ling, his eyes were full of fury at this moment.

He had indeed thought of using Mu Huan to forge a marital alliance, but now, Mu Huan was not even married! Getting pregnant before marriage, where would this leave the Mu family's reputation? How could he bear this?

Chapter 1197: Mu Huan's Threat II

"You do not need to meddle in my affairs. I am here this time for Suyi's life!" Mu Huan's eyes were full of fury. "If Mu Ling were to personally kill Suyi, then I am willing to give the Mu family a chance. I will level the Qin family. All of you can see the people behind me. These people are not the strongest ones on my husband's side! If all of you do not agree, then I will let the Mu family's life and death run its own course!"

She had initially used the Qin family and not personally taken action to force Mu Ling to personally kill Suyi!

That person was the culprit who had snatched away her father and the cause of her mother's depravity!

If it were not because of the Suyi and her son, she would not have had to... serve a man she did not even love.

All these grudges, she vented them on Suyi. Her eyes were full of anger and even carried murderous intent.

Mu Ling's body froze.

He had never had to make such a choice throughout his life.

One was his family clan, another was... a woman he already owed a lot to.

“Mu Huan, do you really wish to do this?” Mu Ling’s voice was a little shaky, seemingly containing an insuppressible anger. “Do you know what you are doing? This was not Suyi’s fault!”

Mu Huan never thought that at such a critical juncture, Mu Ling still spoke on behalf of Suyi. The hatred in her eyes increased. “Mother had told me that the two of you knew each other first and were truly in love. Suyi was someone who came after that. It was she who had stolen the marriage that should have belonged to my mother. All this is her fault!”

“Mu Huan!” Mu Ling shouted. “Back then, Suyi did not know about the relationship between your mother and me. Yes, I had promised to take care of Chen Qingyan. It was I who had gone back on my words! However, I still allowed her to enter the Mu family. I had previously thought that she had saved me a couple of times and felt guilty, thus I had made such a promise to her! Now I realized, the thought of giving one’s life to save another is just a joke!”

Ever since he got to know about Chen Qingyan’s character, Mu Ling realized many things. He also realized how many things he had done in the past that had hurt Suyi.

No matter how much entanglement there was between Chen Qingyan and his relationship, Suyi was innocent.

She was someone who had no knowledge of it. She had always thought that he and Chen Qingyan were merely cousins. It was him who had kept it all a secret.

Now that Mu Huan was making such accusations, it made him feel depressed. It even seemed as if dark clouds were floating above his head.

“Now, I do not care. Mu Ling, I will only give you a chance. Will you kill Suyi, or not?”

Mu Huan sneered. “I have long understood you. Might, status, and family clan were always the most important things in your heart. You have forced Nan Xian to marry a wife and take in concubines for power. You would even more so force me to give myself away. However, now, I have found a person to rely on all on my own. In the future, I will no longer need to count on you!”

Mu Ling turned silent. His handsome face turned pale.

He slowly turned his head and looked at a woman dressed in white.

She was elegant and otherworldly, like a fairy from a painting. The wind was lightly blowing and the sky was clear. She looked incredibly calm and collected, as if she was not affected in any way by the words Mu Huan had spoken.

Perhaps... she had long been disappointed in him?

“Let me see who dares to hurt Suyi!” Old Master Mu shouted in anger and walked in front of Suyi. “Mu Huan, compared to Mu Xi, I have always thought you were a good child although you had a bad temper. It was just that you were brought up wrongly by your mother! Now, as I see it, a daughter takes after her mother. It is hereditary and cannot be changed!”

Chapter 1198: Mu Huan’s Threat III

Chen Qingyan’s mother was like that. Chen Qingyan was like that. Now, even Mu Huan was like this!

It was true what the saying says; like mother, like daughter.

Mu Huan sneered at Old Master Mu. "You old thing, you have no right to open your mouth in this place!"

If it were not because of this old thing, her mother would not have had such a pitiful life. A thousand cuts at these Mu family's people were not sufficient to vent her anger!

Old Master Mu shook his sleeves and stood upright with his back ramrod straight. His calm tone carried unruffled confidence.

"I am the head of the Mu family! I have the right to decide on any matters regarding the Mu family!"

"Hehe..." Mu Huan sneered without care. "The Qin family's people are about to arrive. You want to defend Suyi. Have you ever thought about how the other members of the Mu family feel? This is the end of you being the Mu family's head!"

As predicted, the weak-minded uncles of the Mu family had ugly expressions on their faces.

To them, sacrificing Suyi alone to keep the whole Mu family was too good of a deal!

Only the head of the family would be so stubborn as to keep her alive!

"Master, Nan Suyi is no longer a member of our Mu family. We can let it go that you decided not to abandon Gu Shi, but to abandon the whole Mu family for an outsider. Is it worth it?"

"Currently Young Lady Mu Huan has this kind of capability. We need to agree to any of Young Lady Mu Huan's conditions! Now, it is only her who is able to protect our Mu family!"

"Master, what are you still thinking about? Later on, we will hold back Old Master. You go and settle Nan Suyi. As long as the Mu family is protected, is there any kind of woman you would not able to have? If we lose the Mu family, there would be nothing left!"

Mu Huan's brows were covered in delight. So what even if these people had previously accepted Suyi? With just a few words from her, was she not able to get rid of Suyi?

This was the advantage of having power.

For the first time, she was a little grateful that her mother had given her away to Jia Xin. Otherwise, she would not have had such undefeatable power. Furthermore, these snobs would not have so easily agreed and bow to her.

Furthermore, she had the power to decide on Suyi's life and death!

A man like Mu Ling who was so afraid of death and so greedy for power would definitely not abandon the Mu family for a woman!

Too bad, sometimes, one could not have too many self-righteous thoughts.

Mu Ling was indeed heartless and a flirt, but over these twenty plus years, he only had Suyi and Chen Qingyan.

Tan Shuangshuang was an exception! She was not what he had wanted.

He was similarly greedy for power.

However, his greed for power was only limited to letting his sons and daughters marry for alliances and betraying their happiness. Nevertheless, he would never give up his own happiness.

After all, the two women he had were orphans without any background. With Mu Ling's status and cultivation, creating marital alliances with other big families was considered normal.

If Chen Qingyan did not exist in this life... Perhaps, Mu Ling would not have become a scum!

However, this was destiny. He was destined to be unworthy of having Suyi!

"Huan'er..." Mu Ling's tone became softer as his eyes begged. "I am willing to forgive all that Qingyan had done. I will make her my official wife. I am only begging you... to save the Mu family."

Thud!

His knees fell hard to the ground as he knelt on the floor in the silent Mu family's courtyard.

To him, 'official wife' was merely a title.

Not to mention he could no longer be humane toward her, even if he could, just based on the things Chen Qingyan had done, he could not forgive her.

Chapter 1199: Mu Huan's Threat IV

However, he could not kill Suyi! He also did not wish to give up on the Mu family. Hopefully by doing this... Mu Huan would be willing to lend a hand.

"Haha!" Mu Huan started to laugh until she started to tear. Her eyes were full of fury and disappointment. "I never thought that you would make such a decision. You would rather beg me than kill Suyi? When have you ever begged someone who was of a younger generation? Mu Ling, why was it that initially... when Nan Xian had treated my mother that way, you did not beg him? You should have knelt down to beg him! I do not believe that if you had knelt, he would still have beaten up my mother!"

"Yet for Suyi, you are actually begging me?" Mu Huan's eyes were bloodshot and looked like they were about to pop out of their sockets. "The more you beg me, the more I want to kill her! This despicable person should have died. A woman who steals another man's husband will die miserably!"

Until now, Mu Huan still felt that if it were not for Suyi's existence, Chen Qingyan would have become Mu Ling's wife, and furthermore would not have... suffered for so many years.

When she thought about all the sufferings Chen Qingyan had to undergo, Mu Huan became so angry that she wanted to kill people. She looked at Nan Suyi angrily.

"Mu Ling cannot bear to kill you. Then I will give you a chance. If you care about the Mu family, care about the Mu family's old master, you can kill yourself! Don't worry, I will not kill you. Either Mu Ling kills you or you commit suicide! As long as you die, I will save the Mu family!"

Suyi calmly glanced at Mu Huan. "Alright, then just annihilate the Mu family."

Her words were calmly spoken and brushed past the ears of the crowd like a gentle breeze.

That sentence was spoken so simply, just like asking someone to have a meal.

Mu Huan was stunned.

This was the woman that Mu Ling liked to the point that he was willing to abandon the Mu family?

It seemed like... it was just a person who was afraid of death.

"Nan Suyi!" Mu Ying shouted in anger. "Your life in exchange for the survival of the entire Mu family is worth it! Who are you to reject this proposition?"

"That's right. You are an orphan without any parents. Our Mu family has fed you for so many years and now you have lived in our Mu family for a whole year without paying. Now that the Mu family is in trouble, you want to distance yourself from these matters?"

"Young Lady Mu Huan, this woman is afraid of death. It is impossible that she would choose to end herself. Why don't we all get together to kill her? What do you think?"

Mu Huan did not reply, but looked at Nan Suyi in provocatively.

Nan Suyi calmly glanced at the Mu family's clansmen who stood behind her. Her face was calm and cool. "I think annihilating your Mu family is quite a good idea. After all, as long as Old Master and Xiao Qingyin are around, there will always be a Mu family."

Old Master Mu laughed loudly. "Suyi is right. As long as I am around, nobody is to touch her! The Mu family... should have long been sorted out. If you have the ability, then let the Qin family destroy all of my Mu family's people. Hahaha!"

With this incident, he was thoroughly disappointed in his clansmen. If he was lucky enough to survive this time, he would need to sort things out properly.

The group that was led by Mu Ying should not be kept in the Mu family...

All these people appeared to be the people of the Mu family, but in reality, they belonged to the extended families. They were at least two generations apart and some relations that were supposed to be 'cousins' could not really be counted as cousins. It was merely that the Mu family had a long history and that was why there were many clansmen.

In truth, these people did not have much of a familial relationship with the Mu family. There was nothing Old Master Mu was reluctant to let go.

Previously, he was just unable to put his foot down and make a decision. The matter this time had allow him to clearly understand that the Mu family needed to be sorted out!

The approaching enemies had not been killed, yet internal strife had happened. This kind of thing happening once was more than enough. He did not want such a thing to happen a second time!

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Mu Huan's face sank. Perhaps she had noticed something, she slowly turned her head around. Suddenly, a weak figure appeared before her.

Chen Qingyan's face was pale. She had long been thoroughly disappointed by Mu Ling, so she was not really affected by Mu Ling's defiance of Mu Huan's request to kill Suyi. Only her lips curled up into a sarcastic smile.

From the moment Mu Ling decided to abandon her, she was no longer the Chen Qingyan she was before.

"Mu Ling."

A small, weak voice called out, just like it did in the past.

Mu Ling turned his head around and saw Chen Qingyan who looked a little old.

Chen Qingyan slowly walked closer and looked at Mu Ling who was kneeling on the floor, seemingly condescending.

That kind of gaze was one that Mu Ling had never seen since he knew Chen Qingyan.

"Chen Qingyan."

He clenched his fists tightly and took a deep breath. Only then did his emotions calm down.

"What did you come out for?"

Chen Qingyan laughed lightly. Her laughter was sardonic as her gaze was filled with mockery. "I came out to see what you have now become. I had never thought that you would kneel before my daughter just to avoid killing Suyi!"

"Chen Qingyan!" Mu Ling's eyes were on fire as he stared at Chen Qingyan. "You have finally decided to quit acting?"

Due to her usual gentleness, he had been cheated for so many years. Even when he had uncovered the truth, Chen Qingyan had never admitted to being wrong. He had never thought that she would actually decide to quit acting altogether now!

"I had never done anything to wrong your Mu family. Everything I did back then was for your own good! It was you who have given up on me, a good person. In my entire life, I have no regrets!"

"Hahaha!" Old Master Mu started to laugh loudly. "No regrets! Your vicious heart is exactly the same as your deceased mother! Your conscience has long been eaten by wolves! Suyi, we do not have to be bothered by these people. My Mu family will never back down! Those who back down will no longer be a part of my Mu family!"

Old Master noticed the clamor outside. He was no longer bothered about the people in the courtyard but walked toward the door with both hands behind his back and steadfast footsteps.

From the beginning to the end, Suyi did not look at these people. She remained calm and indifferent as she walked past Chen Qingyan without stopping.

Chen Qingyan clenched her fists with a death-grip. She could not understand. Even at this critical juncture, why was Nan Suyi still so calm and indifferent? Was she really unafraid of the people from the Qin family?

“Mu Ling...” Chen Qingyan sneered as she looked at Mu Ling condescendingly and her voice cold. “Take a good look. This woman you have chosen in the end had ignored the Mu family for her own life! If it were me, I would definitely not have been like that.”

Mu Ling froze. He himself did not know if this choice was right or wrong.

However... He had done many mistakes in this life. He had also yet to kill anyone he liked.

Making him take action against Suyi...

He really could not do it.

Mu Ling lowered his head and looked at his own palm. His handsome face had a bitter smile. “I owe Suyi too much. I know I cannot compensate for the mistakes I made, but I cannot kill her. The Mu family... I will do my best to protect it.”

What did Qin Fei’er need? She only wanted Nan Xian, that was all.

Too bad, Nan Xian was not in Tian Shen Manor. Otherwise, perhaps the Mu family would still have a chance of survival...

Outside the Mu family.

The originally quiet street was crowded with people.