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Fei Xue was jolted as she saw Zhao Yao's sad-looking face. She was somehow convinced as she stepped forward and wanted to hold Zhao Yao's hand, but then he shook her away harshly.

"I should've known that you will never trust me. All these years, because of you, I did not take any concubine even though so many female disciples in Talon's Gate have thrown themselves at me. I did not accept any of them and had also expelled them from Talon's Gate!"

Hong Yu looked at Zhao Yao, in disbelief.

Female disciples who threw themselves at him... also had been expelled from Talon's Gate?

Several years ago, she had visited Talon's Gate on behalf of Fengyun Manor and by chance, Fei Xue was not around, leaving Zhao Yao alone there.

Back then, Zhao Yao was teasing a female disciple, but in the end, the female disciple had sternly turned him down and claimed that she would report this to Fei Xue too.

Later...

On her next visit to Talon's Gate, she never saw that female disciple anymore.

In Zhao Yao's narration, it turned out that those female disciples, who had failed to seduce him eventually got expelled by him.

That was ridiculous!

However, when Hong Yu saw how deeply convinced Fei Xue looked, she could not help but burst out laughing.

"It's all because of you!" Zhao Yao turned around angrily, with a sense of viciousness, his eyes were burning with hatred. "Feng Ruqing had the fantasy of reaching the top in a single bound so she tried to crawl into my bed, but I've turned her down, and now she sends her female servant to frame me as an act of revenge? Ha... by the way, thank you guys, for letting me know that my wife doesn't trust me."

Fei Xue panicked as her noble face paled.

She really liked Zhao Yao, to the extent where she was irrational when it came to him!

"Zhao Yao, just now I... have really misunderstood you. I apologize to you. I shouldn't have doubted you."

How could she suspect her husband who she had been with him for so many years, just because of some stranger's words?

Nobody in the world knew Zhao Yao better than her.

He would never have done something unfaithful to her!

Hong Yu's smile turned colder as she slowly approached Zhao Yao.

"What did you say just now? Our Manor Lady... wanted to crawl into your bed?"

Fei Xue had already rushed in front of Hong Yu before Zhao Yao could speak.

"Enough, I don't care who you are, and I also don't know who exactly are you. I beg you not to come and destroy our relationship anymore! Now look at all the little girls, they want to seduce my husband when they notice my husband is somebody with social status! Don't forget that I'm the one who's in charge of Talon's Gate. If any girl seduces him, every one of them would eventually become the son of a..."

Slap!

Hong Yu moved in front of Fei Xue and gave her a hard slap.

Suddenly, all the disciples of Talon's Gate rushed out and immediately surrounded Hong Yu.

At the same time, Hong Yu's eyes looked as cold as a blade as her stare emitted a strong and heavy aura.

"I dare you to insult her with another sentence again!"

Fei Xue was dumbstruck. She covered her aching cheek as she was speechless in her boiling anger.

'This bastard, how dare she hit me in Talon's Gate?

'She's tired of living!'

"Xue'er!" Zhao Yao's eyes were filled with a sense of sympathy as he clenched his fists tightly. He slowly turned his head and glared at Hong Yu. "No matter how Xue'er has misunderstood me or distrusted me, she's still the woman I love the most. I will never allow anyone to lay a finger upon her."

Fei Xue stared at the man who was protecting her, dumbfounded. A sense of warmth crept in her heart, she looked even more guilty as she gently held his hand.

"My husband, I'm sorry. I shouldn't have doubted you just now."

Zhao Yao sighed and spoke helplessly, "Because I'm terribly in love with you. Even if you don't trust me, I won't really be mad at you. Xue'er, stay behind me. Today, I will kill this woman and take revenge for you!"

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Hong Yu was rubbing her own arms. As she heard Zhao Yao's words, suddenly, she lifted her head and stared at Zhao Yao, coldly.

"Zhao Yao... It's hard to expect that after several years of not meeting each other, you dare to battle with me now. You're only a loser, I cannot understand how shameless are you to say that our Manor Lady had seduced you?"

In this mainland, there were many men and women who were fond of their manor lady, why would their manor lady even care to seduce an old man?

On top of that, he did not even have freckles!

“What nonsense are you talking about?” Zhao Yao’s expression changed. “When did I even meet you before?”

“Several years ago, when I came to Talon’s Gate.” Hong Yu blinked and continued, “And just in time to see you teasing a female disciple. But you kicked her out because she had turned you down...”

At first, Talon’s Gate’s disciples had intended to attack Hong Yu, but they stopped as they heard what she had said.

The truth was, no matter how discreet Zhao Yao was, what he had done in secret would be exposed by someone eventually.

However, nobody dared to tell his wife.

The lady had always trusted the master. If they spoke too much, they... would be doomed!

“You are spewing nonsense!”

Fei Xue looked green in her face and retorted, “It was those little minks who failed to seduce Zhao Yao and got kicked out by him. Zhao Yao’s very faithful to me. So, he will never let any disciple who’s up to something stay around or approach him.”

Hong Yu turned to look at Fei Xue. “Do you really believe that a middle-aged man, and also who has put on weight, has the qualities to attract those young woman disciples?”

Fei Xue harrumphed and sniffed. “It’s simply because my husband is in a high and powerful position. Those women want to cling to the top, so it’s natural for them to want to seduce him.”

Hong Yu suddenly burst out laughing when she turned to look at Fei Xue, her smile was cold as she felt like she was looking at a fool.

“So you think that those Talon’s Gate’s female disciples were already tired of living their lives? They knew well that you’re the one who holds the real power in Talon’s Gate, also, they knew well that if they were to ever become Zhao Yao’s concubine, they would be beaten to death by you. So, those women were so tired of living their lives that they decided to go and seduce him? I thought they had gone insane because of love, however... it turned out that it was because of their thirst for power?”

That was ridiculous. What was the use of power when those women would lose their lives in the end?

Fei Xue was dumbfounded. Somehow, she felt that this woman had a point.

It was well-known that she was the one who controlled Talon’s Gate. Besides, all of Talon’s Gate’s female disciples knew well of her temper.

Why... why would they still dare to seduce Zhao Yao?

On top of that, it was Zhao Yao who had kicked the female disciple out before telling her what had happened. Therefore, she had never met any of those female disciples who wanted to climb up to a higher position.

"Don't you ever think of bewitching us!" Fei Xue gritted her teeth tightly as she felt more anxious. She forced herself to calm down. "Maybe... maybe they were crazily in love with my husband, so they did not care to risk their lives to seduce him."

Hong Yu shook her head.

People who were blinded were really terrible.

The same thing had happened to Qing Yuan before. As now, for Talon's Gate Lady, she was in the same situation too...

"Furthermore, some women are too stupid as they would risk anything to fight for a chance, even when they were aware it is a dead end." Fei Xue sneered and said, "They might think that, perhaps, if Zhao Yao accepted them, I can do nothing but just accept it."

Hong Yu seemed cold. "I really agreed with one of your points, some women are too stupid..."

They were so stupid to such a terrible extent!

"However..." Hong Yu walked toward Zhao Yao, fearlessly. "I'm here with only a purpose. Hand Ziyang back to me!"

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"Let me repeat that, I don't know who the hell Ziyang is!"

Zhao Yao refused to admit as he feigned ignorance.

"Oh."

Hong Yu pulled out the sword from her waist without saying anything more this time. She was giving off a creepy aura as her eyes were filled with a sense of coldness that made people shiver.

Also, Talon's Gate's disciples had come to their senses as they rushed toward Hong Yu.

Whatever opinions they might have against their master, when enemies invaded them, they must protect and guard Talon's Gate's peace.

However, just as those disciples were moving in front of Hong Yu, a massive force suddenly exploded and blew the disciples away just like a whirlwind. The disciples clumsily crashed to the ground.

In fact, back when they were in the Forest of Spirit Beasts, Hong Yu had made those spirit beasts attack and take revenge instead of doing that on her own.

She was giving those spirit beasts an opportunity to vent their anger away.

Therefore, Zhao Yao only realized Hong Yu's power now. The color of his face changed from white to blue, then back to white again, which was a rather remarkable sight.

"You are... a Dark Warrior?"

Feng Ruqing's female servant was actually a Dark Warrior?

Who exactly was she?

Zhao Yao clenched his fists tightly. Ziyao only told him that Feng Ruqing was Liu Yun Kingdom's princess, but she had never told him that Feng Ruqing's female servant was so powerful.

Also...

It seemed that this female servant knew Ziyao too.

How dare that woman put him into trouble!

This time, Zhao Yao had really wronged Ziyao.

Ziyao rarely had any interactions with Hong Yu before as they had only occasionally bumped into each other. Also, Hong Yu had so many freckles on her face now, it was forgivable for Ziyao to not recognize her right away.

How could she be aware of her power when she did not recognize Hong Yu?

"You speak like this is the first time you've met me. I've told you earlier that I've come to Talon's Gate before."

'That's impossible!'

Zhao Yao shook his head and said, "I've never seen you before!"

A person whose face was filled with freckles, if he saw this person before... it was impossible for him to not have any memories of her.

"Oh." Hong Yu seemed a bit confused. "I'm Hong Yu."

'Hong Yu?'

Zhao Yao was dumbfounded and suddenly burst into laughter. "Your ability to talk nonsense is stronger than your power. I've seen Hong Yu before, and she doesn't look like you! How dare you say you're Hong Yu?"

Although Fengyun Manor's Hong Yu was not that attractive to the point that would bring people to their knees, she was a beautiful girl too.

An ugly monster who was full of freckles, how dare she claimed herself as Hong Yu?

"Zhao Yao."

Fei Xue was shocked the first moment when she saw her. Finally, she calmed down, and she had never felt that sober in her mind before. Then, she turned to look at Zhao Yao. "Tell me, who exactly is Feng Ruqing? She has a Dark Warrior female servant, and she's no weaker than you. So, why would she want to seduce you?"

If Feng Ruqing came from a lower social class, she would have full confidence in Zhao Yao.

However, this female servant was a Dark Warrior!

How could a small kingdom's princess be capable of hiring a Dark Warrior as a female servant?

In other words, a person who was capable of using a Dark Warrior as her female servant... why would she choose to... seduce another Dark Warrior?

Fei Xue's face was snowy white and her voluptuous body was trembling.

She had trusted and loved Zhao Yao for so many years! She could not bear the thought of somebody coming to uncover his lies!

Zhao Yao panicked. He did not look as calm as he was before. He quickly grabbed Fei Xue's hand. "Xue'er, didn't you say that you trust me? How can I be that kind of person? I don't know why she would fall for me either. However, she has failed to seduce me and now, her love has turned into hatred, so she wants to destroy our relationship."

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Fei Xue closed her eyes...

She wanted to trust him just like how she had before.

However, if Zhao Yao could not give her a reasonable explanation, the bud of suspicion toward him inside of her heart would grow. Some day, it would turn into a big towering tree!

As Hong Yu was looking at Zhao Yao's grotesque appearance with his pudgy tummy, she could not help but feel nauseated and almost threw up the rice she had eaten the night before.

"Our Manor Lady... likes you?"

"You shut up!" Zhao Yao glared at Hong Yu. His eyes were bloodshot. "I don't know how you became Feng Ruqing's female servant, and I will never believe your claim as a guardian of Fengyun Manor. Not only do I not believe it, but I will also report to Fengyun Manor Master, too, and you'll wait for Fengyun Manor to hunt you down and kill you!"

Indeed.

Fengyun Manor's Guardian could never become Feng Ruqing's female servant.

If such a female servant were painting Fengyun Manor's reputation black outside and was found out by Fengyun Manor, no doubt be it her or Feng Ruqing, they would... die!

Suddenly...

An old voice came from somewhere up ahead.

That voice was shrieking with along a sneer.

"When has it become Talon's Gate's business for my Fengyun Manor to hunt down and kill someone?"

That voice was quite familiar to Zhao Yao and Fei Xue.

They could not help by looking up. Suddenly, they saw an elderly man who was dressed in a gray robe slowly approaching them.

His pace was steady, and with his seemingly divine figure, he looked kind and gentle.

"Little Hong Yu, I've heard that Ziyang is around here? Back then, that girl Ziyang wanted to help Tang Yu, so she had distracted Qing Yuan and led him away and had almost separated Manor Master and me in two different worlds.¹ Bring that girl out immediately, I want to settle scores with her!"

As for the matter of Ziyang deceiving Qing Yuan, he would put it aside for the moment since it was Qing Yuan who did not recognize and see people clearly.

What he could not stand was the fact that Ziyang had almost killed Manor Master!

Back then, if Qing Yuan had not been led away when the Tang family was in such big trouble, Qing Yuan would have been the first to get notified.

The manor master and the manor lady would not have to bear so much of the sufferings as well...

She had caused the manor lady to be attacked by Fengyun Manor when the manor lady was trying to save manor master.

It was said that if the white phoenix did not appear in time, perhaps... they could not even wait until Master Lei Yun's arrival!

"Fifth Elder."

Hong Yu was delighted. "Finally, you're here!"

"Ehem. I came here as soon as I got your message." The fifth elder, Tian Qi, cleared his throat and sounded a little awkward. "Tell me, if I finish Ziyang off, would Manor Master and Manor Lady forgive me?"

Back then, if it were not because of him... Tang Yu would not have acted like a tyrant in Fengyun Manor.

He should not have allowed her in Fengyun Manor before he was absolutely sure of her identity.

Hong Yu remained silent for a while before she started to speak, "Manor Lady likes freckles. Next time when you see her, put some freckles on your face, and maybe she might not be able to bring herself to blame you anymore..."

Tian Qi's eyes brightened up suddenly. However, he quickly hid the emotion in his eyes as he felt it was too obvious.

As his fingers caressed his white beard, he smiled kindly and said, "Well, that's quite a great idea. To beg for Manor Lady's forgiveness, all I can do is to sacrifice a little first."

There was dead silence.

Zhao Yao was dumbstruck. It was impossible for him to not recognize Fengyun Manor's fifth elder.

However, when he thought of how Tian Qi had addressed Hong Yu just now, a sense of anxiety dawned in his eyes. "Fifth... Fifth Elder, why are you here... she... is she really Hong Yu? But, I remember that Hong Yu doesn't have freckles, why..."

The corners of Hong Yu's lips lifted into a smile. "Our Manor Lady likes people with freckles."

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Bang!

Zhao Yao was suddenly mind blown.

This woman, she was really Hong Yu?

Why...

Why would Hong Yu willingly dedicate herself to be a princess's female servant?

Oh, yeah, Ziyun...

The Fifth Elder had mentioned Ziyun just now. That damn woman must have already been aware that there was something behind this.

She had really put him into really big trouble!!!

"Fifth Elder." The corners of Hong Yu's lips were lifted in a smile as she turned to look at Fei Xue, sarcastically. "Talon's Gate Master's wife insulted our Manor Lady by saying that she had seduced her husband, and she also said that anyone can be our Manor Lady's husband, and even claim that our Manor Lady would do anything just to gain higher power and status!"

Suddenly, the surrounding of Talon's Gate turned chilly after Hong Yu finished her words.

Fei Xue felt as if many blades were slashing at her skin.

Even Talon's Gate's disciples trembled as they were too afraid to move.

"It was... it was Zhao Yao who had said it." Suddenly, Fei Xue came to her senses. She gritted her teeth and asked Zhao Yao, "Zhao Yao, it's you who has told me that Feng Ruqing is fascinated by your Talon's Gate's status. That was why she tried to seduce you. However, she failed to do so, and so she took away your Tier-5 spirit beast, isn't it? You must give me an explanation!"

Why was a Fengyun Manor's Guardian, Feng Ruqing's female servant?

"A Tier-5 spirit beast?" Hong Yu sneered as she stepped forward. "Does our Manor Lady need to rob? It's always the spirit beasts that throw themselves at her."

Tian Qi did not speak all the while when everything was happening.

His eyes were not as kind and gentle as they were before. They looked cold as he glared at Zhao Yao and his wife.

"Because of her thirst for power... she seduced you?"

Zhao Yao took two steps backward as his face was drained of color while his body was trembling.

"I... I'm just telling the truth. I don't even know which part of me attracts her, I'll change it if I know."

"Haha!"

Tian Qi cackled. "Our Fengyun Manor Lady latched herself onto a master from Talon's Gate? When had our Fengyun Manor become so weak?"

Zhao Yao's head buzzed and turned blank.

Tian Qi did mention about a manor master and manor lady before, but he did not relate that to Feng Ruqing.

Feng Ruqing was only a Liu Yun Kingdom's princess, how could she become Fengyun Manor Lady?

However, what was impossible was true now!

"It can't be! Impossible, this is absolutely impossible..." Zhao Yao stepped back again as his eyes were slowly filled with despair.

Feng Ruqing was Fengyun Manor Lady. Why Ziyan did not tell him?

Why?

And apparently, just now, Zhao Yao seemed to have mentioned... Qing Yuan?

Qing Yuan was a Fengyun Manor's Guardian too?

"Zhao Yao!" Fei Xue shouted in disbelief and anger. Tears rolled down her cheeks as she was trembling in anger. "Zhao Yao, tell me. Everything that you've told me before, how many of them are true?"

Fengyun Manor Lady... did she need to cling onto a Talon's Gate's Master?

Also to cling onto him immorally?

That was ridiculous!

It was true that she liked Zhao Yao, and she also believed that a lot of girls would like him.

However...

Fengyun Manor's Lady would never be one of those people!

No matter how excellent Zhao Yao was, he was not in the league that was capable of attracting her!

"Madam!"

A female disciple rushed out of Talon's Gate's door. She kneeled in front of Fei Xue as her eyes were flooded with tears.

Zhao Yao's face contorted the moment he saw that female disciple. "What are you doing out here? Get lost!"

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The female disciple tightly bit on her lip. But, she did not stand up and continued to kowtow, hitting her head strongly on the ground, twice.

“Madam, please speak for my sister, in the name of justice.”

Fei Xue looked at the girl who was kneeling on the floor and turned to look at Zhao Yao, who was filled with rage. Her face was pale as she seemed to have noticed something, and then her lips slightly trembled. “Tell me, what happened?”

Even though the female disciple had hit her head until her forehead was bleeding, she seemed to feel no pain as she was still violently kowtowing. She clenched her fists tightly.

“Years ago, I’ve entered Talon’s Gate with my sister. However, her appearance was different from my plain-looking appearance. My sister’s beauty has brought her disaster.

“Back when Madam was not around Talon’s Gate, Master had taken the advantage and wanted to harass my sister. But my sister refused to be with him and that had enraged him. After he forced himself on my sister, he took away my sister’s ability and threw her out of Talon’s Gate.”

The female disciple started to look miserable. “Poor sister, she committed suicide because she couldn’t bear the humiliation. However, what he had been saying was that it was my sister who had seduced him. He cast my sister out in order to preserve your dignity.”

“My sister already had someone but now she’s dead. Her husband wanted to avenge her, but eventually, he got killed by Master too.”

“I thank heaven for giving me such a plain-looking face, for heaven has granted me to continue to stay inside Talon’s Gate. However, my power is too weak to avenge my sister, and no one believes in what I say either. I swear that all the disciples who were expelled, none of them had seduced Master before. It’s Master who was enraged because of his failure to court them!”

All the while, she had been staying inside just to wait for the chance to take revenge!

Now, the chance had finally come as her Master was so foolish that he had offended stronger enemies out there, too.

Her sister and brother-in-law could finally rest in peace!

Hong Yu was already dumbfounded. After a while, she composed herself and turned to look at Zhao Yao, angrily.

She thought Zhao Yao had only expelled those people, no one would have expected him to do such a terrible thing, which was worse than what a beast would do!

After all, she was not a member of Talon’s Gate. She had already tried to stop Zhao Yao from taking advantage of a female disciple several years ago but still, she could not always be putting her nose in Talon’s Gate’s trifles.

It seemed that all the female disciples would come to a sticky end. As for Zhao Yao, who was worse than a beast, he deserved punishments and death!

“Nonsense!” Zhao Yao was so anxious he summoned a gust of wind with his palm. Just as the wind was about to strike the female disciple in front of him, Hong Yu started to retaliate...

Bang!

As the two forces collided, Zhao Yao swiftly took several steps back. His eyes were red as he stared at the female disciple, grudgingly.

He should not have... should not have let this woman stay!

He thought everything would work out perfectly smooth because no matter what people said, Fei Xue would not believe in them with her level of intelligence.

Therefore, he never thought that such a thing would happen that day!

"Madam!"

Another disciple kneeled down as he alleged, "I can attest to that too. I've seen not only once that Master had tried to take advantage of a female disciple! Any of the female disciples who refused to obey, he would throw them out after he was done with them."

"Your disciple, I, can attest that too!"

Perhaps because of Fengyun Manor's elder presence, those disciples were finally not afraid of Zhao Yao's threatening coercion anymore. Every disciple kneeled down.

Just like needles, each of their words was prickling Fei Xue's heart.

Fei Xue growled as she pounced on Zhao Yao. Just like an enraged lion, she violently slapped his face.

"Why do you lie to me? Why?"

She had trusted him so much that she had handed over Talon's Gate to him, and allowed him to be fully in charge of it.

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But then, he abused his power by bullying the weak and harassing the female disciples?

Eventually, he even put the blame on others while he was the one to be blamed, alleging that those female disciples were the ones who seduced him first. He claimed that all he had in his heart was Fei Xue and that that was why he had banished them; because he refused to keep those female disciples.

Fei Xue was very touched back then.

What a man he was to make such an effort for her as he regarded all the women in the world as nothing? How could Fei Xue not be moved?

However, in the end, it was a complete sham!

"Hahaha!"

Fei Xue burst into laughter and she suddenly broke out in tears. "Zhao Yao, oh Zhao Yao, I trusted you so much. But why do you treat me like this? You can divorce me if you want to take a concubine. Why do you show me your affections but do something else behind my back?"

Back then, when Zhao Yao was pursuing her, she had already mentioned that she would never allow her man to take a concubine.

She had only agreed to marry him after Zhao Yao had agreed to her conditions!

Indeed, he had held onto his promise in not taking a concubine—

However, his behavior was even more frustrating than taking a concubine!

“Do you still remember? Zhao Yao, I’ve told you that if you ever betray me, I will chew you up and spit you out!” The affection in Fei Xue’s eyes had vanished and was replaced with resentment.

She hated Zhao Yao for deceiving her, she also hated herself for trusting him blindly. Also, she hated herself... for having hurt so many innocent people because of him!

Zhao Yao panicked. He quickly grabbed Fei Xue’s hands anxiously. “Xue’er, it was those women who had seduced me first and caused me to be infatuated. Please forgive me, I really love you, Xue’er...”

Fei Xue closed her eyes. Her heart was in deep pain.

At this point, Zhao Yao still wanted to put the blame on others...

“Nonsense!” That female disciple, whose sister had died, stood up as hatred burned in her eyes. “My sister was deeply in love with my brother-in-law, she would never have seduced you. She killed herself after you harassed her! You’re a demon. A demon! You forced my sister to her death!”

Her sister and her brother-in-law really loved each other. However, because of Zhao Yao, he had separated such loving couples that they could only be reunited in the netherworld.

It was all his fault!

Two streams of tears flowed from the female disciple’s eyes as she looked despaired.

Fei Xue raised her hand and slapped Zhao Yao again.

She slapped him really hard this time. Zhao Yao’s whole face swelled.

But he did not dare to resist.

“Zhao Yao, oh Zhao Yao. Why don’t you feel any guilt at all? Why?”

Although Fei Xue was naive, she could still clearly distinguish wrong from right.

She hated any women who wanted to seduce Zhao Yao. If any of the women fell into her hands, she would let that woman suffer a life that was worse than death.

But now, this was obviously Zhao Yao’s fault!

Nobody had seduced him. He was the one who first harassed others and had forced two lives to death!

“It’s me. It’s my fault.” Fei Xue pressed her hands to her head as she saw that Zhao Yao did not reply to her. “If I hadn’t trusted you so much, this would never have happened. And also, I would never have allowed you to do whatever you want in Talon’s Gate. It was my father who had established Talon’s Gate, but how could you treat our disciples in such a way? Don’t you ever feel guilty?”

The root of the problem was that she had trusted Zhao Yao too much.

Therefore, even their disciples were aware of a lot of matters, nobody would dare to step forward and inform her.

That was what it was.

If only... on that fateful day... if Zhao Yao had not slandered Fengyun Manor Lady first, her faith toward him would not have crumbled, and she would still trust Zhao Yao no matter what the disciples said.

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"Are you guys done yet?" There was a hint of a smile on the corners of Hong Yu's lips as she slowly stepped forward. "Tell me, where's Ziyān!"

Zhao Yao looked nervous. "I don't know what you are saying."

"You still want to protect her even until now? Still afraid of letting your wife know her presence?" Hong Yu sneered. "Ziyān already knew beforehand of our Manor Lady's identity, but she chose to conceal it and let you bear the consequences. Think about it... why would she do so?"

Zhao Yao's face seemed to crack a little as his heart was filled with resentment.

It was all Ziyān's fault!

If it were not because of Ziyān, he would not have gone against Feng Ruqing, and would not have offended anyone from Fengyun Manor, also... Fei Xue would not have been aware of so many of these things!

If Ziyān could tell him earlier that Feng Ruqing was Fengyun Manor Lady, then he... would never ever dare to slander her again!

"Oh, by the way, do you know about Ziyān's relationship with Qing Yuan?" Hong Yu continued to walk toward Zhao Yao. "Ziyān was once Liu Yun Kingdom General Manor Young Master's fiancée. However, she broke their engagement because she got together with Qing Yuan. Soon, Qing Yuan had offended our Manor Master because he wanted to protect her and got expelled from Fengyun Manor as his ability got demoted too."

Zhao Yao's lips twitched as he remained silent.

He felt a murderous intent toward Ziyān growing in his heart.

"In the end... Qing Yuan was given the cold shoulder because she felt that he could not provide her wealth and status. So, she abandoned him and threw herself into your arms."

Zhao Yao clenched his fists tightly. He knew that his harassment of the female disciples had severely provoked Fei Xue, she would go insane if she ever finds out that he had kept a mistress behind her back...

But then, Zhao Yao understood well that if he did not hand over Ziyun today, Fengyun Manor would never stop going after him!

"Zhao Yao!" Fei Xue tightly tugged at Zhao Yao's sleeves and growled, "Where's that easy woman? Why are you still protecting her now? What merit does she have to deserve your protection over her?"

She would never let Zhao Yao off, let alone let go of that vile woman!

She would make anyone who seduced her man suffer a life that was worse than death!

Zhao Yao's face turned even pale. He looked at Fei Xue and turned to look at Hong Yu again, hopelessly.

"I'll bring you guys to look for her."

Hong Yu smiled sarcastically. "You better be quick than. I didn't know that she had colluded with Tang Yu before, or else back then when you guys were in the Forest of Spirit Beasts, you guys wouldn't even have stood a chance to escape!"

At first, Hong Yu was really ignorant of it as she was shocked to hear that from Fifth Elder just now.

Perhaps, Fifth Elder knew about that from Tang Yu.

Whatever it was, it was no doubt that Ziyun must die today!

"Tang Yu... who is she?" Zhao Yao asked, stutteringly.

Hong Yu looked at Zhao Yao, coldly. "She was the one who had plotted to kill our Manor Master and Manor Lady."

Zhao Yao's legs went limp and almost went down on his knees.

He did not keep a mistress but a person who had brought so much trouble to him.

Even though nothing happened that day, as long as Ziyun was a girl he kept outside of his official relationship, then... Fengyun Manor's people would catch up to him eventually!

Zhao Yao gritted his teeth in deep hatred. He should not have been obsessed with beauty back then as by doing so, he had put his whole life into real trouble.

Talon's Gate was built on a mountain and there was a small town at the foot of the mountain.

The sound of crystals crashing on the floor came from the most luxurious second courtyard within the small town.

Ziyun had swept all of the tea sets onto the floor. She looked gloomy as her eyes were filled with resentment.

Chapter 649: Ziyun's Death II

"Feng Ruqing!"

She just could not understand. Why would Feng Ruqing always want to go against her?

That damned woman. She was just envious of her living a good life, wasn't she?

"Do you really think that you will be fine with so many spirit beasts protecting you? Zhao Yao has promised me that he will help me to kill you!"

Although Zhao Yao was a Dark Warrior, the ability of the previous elder master of Talon's Gate exceeded his.

Fei Xue was such a brainless woman. After Zhao Yao had returned and fooled her with some words, she would be enraged, and soon, she would definitely finish Feng Ruqing off!

Perhaps because of the imminent threat that Feng Ruqing would be facing soon, Ziyun looked better as soon as she thought of that. She pushed her hair behind her ear as she sneered. "Although Feng Ruqing is Fengyun Manor's Lady, Liu Yun Kingdom is not as strong as Fengyun Manor as nobody can be assured of Feng Ruqing's safety. After that foolish Fei Xue has killed Feng Ruqing, Fengyun Manor will be enraged and avenge Feng Ruqing by killing Fei Xue."

What a brilliant strategy of killing two birds with one stone.

If Fei Xue and the previous elder master were dead, Zhao Yao would definitely marry her.

Soon, she would be the lofty Talon's Gate Master's first wife, and nobody would look down upon her anymore!

"Who's that?"

Just as Ziyun lost herself in a daydream, she heard footsteps outside the door.

Previously, Zhao Yao did not arrange any female servant to serve her just in case anyone found out about their affair. Therefore, Ziyun stood up and hurried outside the door as soon as she heard the footsteps.

A familiar face came into her vision when she pushed open the door.

The young guy was still in his long green robe, as usual. Nobody knew if it was his blood or Yun'er blood on his chest as it was stained red with fresh blood.

"Qing Yuan?" Ziyun was shocked, and she burst into laughter suddenly. "It seems that you still can't let go of me. What? Do you still want me to be your woman? Why don't you look at yourself, you can't even achieve whatever you've wished for. What makes you think I will marry you?"

Qing Yuan's eyes were cold as he looked at Ziyun expressionlessly. "It's you who had hurt Yun'er, right? Is it true that she was really your female servant?"

Ziyun was jolted. Well, there was nothing she could not tell him since Long Ao Kingdom had already fallen.

"She's Ziyun, a step-sister from my step-mother. No, she's the real 'Ziyun'..." The corners of Ziyun's lips lifted as she slowly but deliberately approached Qing Yuan. "Before I was born, Ziyun's mother was a noble consort, and she was in a good relationship with Nalan Yan. But then, Nalan Yan was a terribly

talented woman, and my mother found out about her mother's relationship with Nalan Yan by chance... so she switched our identities before I was born."

"Luckily, we were born on the same day, or else we wouldn't have gotten such a chance. Back then, when Nalan Yan was around, many people wanted to claim kinship with her, but so what? In the end, Nalan Yan chose me!"

Although she was a switched one, she had already been living with Ziyun's identity since.

Her biological mother was merely a concubine. As for Ziyun, she was the real noble consort's daughter, even though the noble consort would never find out that she was only a fake 'Ziyan.'

Her biological daughter grew up under abuse.

Everything should be fine initially as Ziyun was still a princess after all.

But then... Ziyun had almost snatched her man away!

Therefore, she had ruined Ziyun's appearance and kept her near as her female servant and forced her to watch the love between her and Qing Yuan.

That was the revenge... she had for Ziyun.

Chapter 650: Ziyan's Death III

"So what you meant is that she's the daughter of the noble consort, and you're the daughter of a concubine, Ziyun?"

Manor Master always had good taste in choosing friends.

If she was in a good relationship with that Long Ao Kingdom's noble consort, then that noble consort's character must be quite commendable. Therefore, her daughter would never be malicious as well.

That was... what the truth was...

"No, I'm Ziyan. I've been living with this name for so many years. Therefore, I'm Ziyan for the rest of my life." Ziyan laughed. "Actually, it doesn't matter if I'm Ziyan or not, the noble consort died six years ago, and my biological mother is dead too. And also, Long Ao Kingdom has already fallen..."

So, would it be any difference to find out who she was?

"Nevermind, since I have Talon's Gate behind me and my future won't be any worse either. On the contrary, look at you, a traitor who has been expelled. Do you think you can do any better than me? Now, you're still here to entangle yourself with me, if Zhao Yao ever finds out, he will definitely kill you!"

Qing Yuan slowly closed his eyes...

His fists were trembling.

At the same time, the scene of the woman falling into a pool of blood played in his mind again. He suddenly opened his fierce eyes, and with a swing, his hand was already choking Ziyan.

“You’ve stolen her life and lived using her identity. You have also pretended to be the one who had saved me, but why didn’t you let go of her? Why do you want to ruin her face and silence her?”

It was his fault!

It was all his fault!

It was he who did not see through things clearly and who had allowed Yun’er to suffer so much pain instead of him.

He must be blamed for all these things!

“Qing Yuan, what are you doing?” Ziyang looked panicked. “She was only a disfigured ugly monster, is she worthy for you to offend Talon’s Gate? Don’t forget that you don’t have Fengyun Manor behind you now, and you’re also powerless! What makes you think you are capable of fighting against Talon’s Gate?”

Qing Yuan seemed cold. “It’s fine as the worst scenario will enable me to apologize to Yun’er¹. But before that, I will kill you and avenge her.”

That was what he... owed her.

A sense of sorrow dawned on Qing Yuan’s eyebrows as he choked Ziyang harder.

Ziyang’s whole face was turning red. Even though Qing Yuan’s ability had dropped by a tier, she could never be Qing Yuan’s match with her own ability.

“Qing Yuan!” Horror flashed in Ziyang’s eyes. “Have... have you forgotten... the loving days when we were together? Do you really... want to kill me?”

Qing Yuan must have had some affection toward her for those days she had spent with him.

That affection was not gratefulness for her saving his life.

Therefore, she was very sure that this man would never really want to kill her!

The corners of Qing Yuan’s lips were lifted with a murderous intention. “Ziyang, even if I’ve found out that you’ve lied to me, I’ve never thought of... taking revenge on you! But you’ve killed Yun’er, you’ve killed the person whom I should love, you should die!”

He could forgive her betrayal!

He could also forgive her deceit and concealment!

However, he could never forgive Ziyang for killing Yun’er!

She was the one who had saved him regardless no matter what. She was also the girl who had lost her life because of him.

“You...”

Ziyang’s face turned almost purple now. She coughed violently she was slowly suffocating. She finally felt panic inside her heart.

Qing Yuan was serious this time!

He really wanted to kill her!

Suddenly, Ziyan heard a series of footsteps coming from the courtyard. She quickly turned around and saw Zhao Yao, who had entered the door first. Joy filled her eyes.