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Chapter 80: Shang family

The elder glanced at Chu Jin.

He then meticulously picked the first card.

Upright: Ten of Starcoin.

The background of the card depicted a quiet and comfortable home setting, from which one could discern it was a wealthy and consolidated environment by looking at the surrounding furnishings.

On the card, there was a couple, children, animals, and trees laden with fruit, as well as high walls serving as hidden protection.

This was a card representing power and influence.

The children on the card, although they had material security, did not receive warmth from their family.

"You come from a prestigious merchant family, married to Mdm. Ling for over 30 years, with two sons and a daughter, and now grandchildren around your knees. Your later life seems harmonious and happy, but regretfully, 10 years ago, Mdm. Ling passed away in a car accident, and you have been unable to let go ever since,"

Chu Jin's voice was clear and light.

Yet it stirred waves in the elder's heart.

Initially, he had come here just to give it a try, and upon arrival, seeing that Chu Jin was just a young girl, he had not held much expectation.

Now, it seemed, she did have some ability.

To know so much from just one card.

The elder suppressed the turmoil in his heart and flipped the second card with an unchanged expression.

Reversed: The Tower.

The majestic tower that stood tall on the card was struck by lightning and set ablaze, with two men falling from within.

This was a card representing destruction.

Chu Jin glanced at the card and continued, "20 years ago, your youngest daughter went out to play and never came back. The death of Mdm. Ling is also related to your missing daughter. You've come today to inquire about your daughter's whereabouts, right?"

Having his innermost thoughts revealed with a single statement, the elder could no longer remain calm.

years ago, due to his preoccupation with work and neglect of his children, his daughter, then only 8 years old, went missing.

years ago, his wife died in a car accident while searching for their young missing daughter.

All these years, despite being surrounded by his children and grandchildren, he had lived with guilt and longing.

The elder, with a moved expression, said, "Yes, master, you are right, I do not know whether my daughter is dead or alive, whether she's living well. Will I be able to recognize her in this lifetime?"

Now, his only wish was to find his daughter who went missing those many years ago.

No matter the cost.

The Tower represents destruction.

Ten of Starcoin represents power and status.

Both cards showed no sign of life.

Whether there is a turning point would depend on the third card.

Chu Jin did not answer the elder directly but said, "Please draw the third card."

"Alright." The elder seemed to understand something.

He hesitated for a long time before drawing the third card.

And with trembling hands, he picked the second card from the top right corner.

Upright: Four of Wands.

The card showed a group of people dancing on a square with flowers on their heads, seemingly in celebration of something.

Behind them was a castle, a symbol of solidity, which also sometimes represents the passion of the Four of Wands being channeled into the home.

It was a card full of vibrant hope.

"Master? How is it? My daughter, she...?" The elder looked at Chu Jin tentatively.

Chu Jin, looking at the card, smiled and said, "Don't worry, your daughter is fine and living well."

Upon hearing this, the elder sighed with relief, a glimmer of light flickering in his eyes, quickly dimming again, "Then, I wonder if I could still be alive to see her in this lifetime? Master, I really want to find her, and I hope you can show me the way."

Pity for the world's parents' hearts.

Chu Jin sighed lightly and comforted, "Don't worry, one day you will be reunited with your daughter."

The elderly man spoke with a tinge of bitterness, "I'm just afraid I won't live to see that day. Master, please help me. I truly wish to find her within my lifetime and personally apologize to her. That year, if I

had cared for her just a little more, she would not have encountered misfortune, nor would it have cost my wife her life..."

Chu Jin picked up the Four of Wands.

Suddenly, his eyes narrowed as his gaze fell upon the flowers on the card.

The flowers ran throughout the entire surface of the card.

Whether in people's hands, growing from the earth, or tied to the four wands, they were all vibrant and full of life.

Chu Jin narrowed his eyes slightly and said indifferently, "Perhaps, you should take a look in Flower City. You might find the answer you are looking for there."

The old man looked up incredulously, "Flower City?"

Flower City was his hometown.

It was far from Capital City.

Almost two thousand kilometers away.

He had not expected that his daughter, whom he had longed for day and night, would be in the hometown his soul yearned for.

Over the years, he had searched many places, but he had never visited Flower City.

Chu Jin nodded, "Yes, that place. According to the card, your daughter is now living there."

The old man now trusted Chu Jin deeply.

Upon hearing this, he became excited, "Really? Does this mean I can see my daughter soon?"

As the words ended, his expression quickly turned desolate, and he sighed, "It's just that Flower City is neither too large nor too small..."

Without a specific direction, trying to find someone is like looking for a needle in a haystack.

Chu Jin was aware of what he implied and calmly analyzed it.

"Your daughter was 8 years old when she went missing. Logically, an 8-year-old child should have some memories. You could try putting up missing person notices in Flower City. If your daughter sees them, she will definitely contact you. Also, you could try checking the local welfare institution in Flower City for adoption records from that year. A child entering a strange city would not go unnoticed. Whether adopted by another family or taken in by a welfare institution, there would certainly be records."

As the saying goes, 'money talks.' Born into a wealthy family, these things should not be difficult for him.

With this advice, the old man experienced a sudden enlightenment, and everything became clear.

When problems do not concern oneself, one can remain clear-headed. However, his obsession with finding his daughter in these years had caused him to overlook some important information.

Another reason was, being from the prestigious Shang family, they dared not search too openly. If word got out, it might be exploited by those with ulterior motives.

The old man took out a black card from his bag and handed it to Chu Jin, "Master, my surname is Shang. I am truly grateful for your help today. You have unraveled the knot in my heart for the past 20 years. Please take this card, and if you ever encounter any difficulties, come find me at the Shang family."

The Shang family?

In Capital City, no one would dare to claim to be from the Shang family except for that business tycoon who dominated the business world.

Could it be that the old man before him was Elder Shang Kangsheng, the former head of the Shang family?

The same man who was untouchable even in his previous life.

Unbelievably, he ran into him here today.

"Are you Elder Shang?" Despite his surprise, Chu Jin's expression remained composed.

Shang Kangsheng was also surprised; he didn't expect Chu Jin to recognize his identity at a glance. He laughed warmly, "You know of me, Master?"

"Elder Shang has been invincible since moving from the political arena to the business world, spreading the Shang's enterprises across the globe in just ten years and taking investment to the extreme... I truly admire you, sir, and you are indeed a role model for us juniors."

The Shang family, for three generations, had held government posts.

It was only when it came to Shang Kangsheng did the family shift to business, starting from a small storefront to the now massive Shang group, becoming almost a legend in the business world.

In the whole of China mainland, the Shang family's position is second only to the leading Mo family.

Right, Chu Jin suddenly remembered, the ancestors of the Shang family were from Flower City.

No wonder there was such an expression when he mentioned Flower City earlier.

It was said that the Shang family was forced to leave their hometown and settle in Capital City due to political entrapment, which led to the establishment of the Shang group.

Although Chu Jin spoke gracefully, the depths of his eyes held not a trace of flattery or sycophancy.

Rare for someone of her young age to have such a perspective, she would surely be a force to be reckoned with as she grew older.

Shang Kangsheng was keen on befriending this young friend, looking at Chu Jin with a layer of admiration in his eyes, "Those are matters of the past, better left unmentioned. The world now belongs to you young people. By the way, may I inquire about your honored surname?"