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Chapter 751: Apologize and Ask for Forgiveness (1)

And thus, students on the university forums requested the female students who blocked Jian Yiling's path to apologize to her.

At first, the female students did not want to apologize to her.

[We were also blinded by the news and comments on the Internet.]

[Yeah, so technically, we're also victims. We just wanted to maintain the reputation of our university.]

[That's right! Furthermore, Jian Yiling has caused so much trouble for our university ever since she arrived in Beijing.]

The female students insisted that they were also victims.

However, the other students on the university forum refused to accept this as a valid reason:

[Who do you think you are? You're not justice. Do you think you're the judge or the police or something?]

[I guess you guys had fun when you were wrongly accusing Jian Yiling. However, when it's your turn to get criticized, you're just acting as the victim.]

[Before you say that someone else is not worthy of being a student at our university, please take a good look at yourselves. Are you even worthy to be a student at this university?]

[Are you guys not going to take responsibility for your actions and words? If you're not, then why speak of justice in the first place?]

As the female students kept getting told off, they had no option but to collectively go and apologize to Jian Yiling.

And thus, they went to Jian Yiling's lab.

As a bunch of them entered the lab, the laboratory began to become crowded.

When Jian Yiling saw the female students standing in front of her, she merely looked up for a moment before she looked down at the experimental data in her hands.

It was as though she did not care about these people's intentions.

When the female students saw Jian Yiling's attitude towards them, embarrassed expressions appeared on their faces.

"Jian Yiling, we are here to apologize to you."

There was reluctance in the female student's voice.

"Don't disturb me," Jian Yiling replied. She wanted them to leave her laboratory.

Although they understood Jian Yiling's words, the female students did not leave.

After all, they were already here. They couldn't just turn around and leave again.

"Forget about her, let's start recording," one of the female students said.

Then, they took out their phones to record a video. The female students stood together in a neat row. Then, they faced Jian Yiling. All of a sudden, their faces appeared incredibly sincere.

"Jian Yiling, what happened before was completely our fault. We didn't know the truth. Furthermore, we said unkind things to you. I hope you can forgive us."

Together, they expressed their apologies. Their words were filled with emotion.

However, Jian Yiling did not even look at them.

"Jian Yiling, I hope we can do something to make up for the harm that we have caused you. Please tell us if there's anything we can do for you."

Then, the female students waited for Jian Yiling to reply.

However, Jian Yiling's attention was elsewhere.

And thus, they were left hanging for a long time.

Instead of leaving, the female students said more words of apology.

After five more minutes, the video was already long enough.

The female students did not have much more patience.

"All right, all right. We have a long enough video."

After that, the expressions on their faces completely changed.

The female students gathered around to watch the video that was just recorded.

Then, they began to happily edit the video.

They planned to remove the start and end of the video. Then, they would upload it onto the university forum for the other students to see. Once they did this, the other students would stop asking them to apologize.

Furthermore, Jian Yiling's reaction to them was very indifferent and cold. Therefore, it was possible for people to view Jian Yiling's attitude as arrogant and rude.

However, at this moment, Jian Yiling finally spoke up: "In order to prevent theft, twenty-four-hour cameras are installed in my laboratory."

After the previous incident where Jian Yiling's research data had been stolen, Jian Yiling's mentor had been switched.

In addition to this, many cameras had been installed in her new laboratory.

These cameras were installed by Zhai Yunsheng.

All the footage would be transferred to cloud storage.

All of a sudden, the smiles on the female student's faces instantly disappeared.

Then, they began to look around the laboratory.

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Sure enough, there were several cameras in the laboratory room.

The cameras monitored everything in the lab from all angles.

This meant that Jian Yiling had the full version of their apology video.

And thus, if they were to take a part of the video out of context and post it onto the university forum, Jian Yiling could easily post the full video.

Now, none of the female students could laugh anymore.

The original incident had already made them suffer a lot of accusations and criticisms from their peers. In this scenario, if they were to take a video out of context, their peers would dislike them even more.

"Jian Yiling... Did you do this on purpose?" One of the female students asked Jian Yiling.

"The cameras are here to prevent people from stealing my experimental data," Jian Yiling responded. However, she still did not look at these female students.

She didn't have the ability to read the future. Therefore, she did not know what the female students planned to do.

However, when female students realized that Jian Yiling may release the full video, they began to feel nervous.

And thus, a few of them quickly apologized to her. This time around, their voices were much more sincere and genuine.

"Jian Yiling, we're very sorry. Our apology just now was insincere. Please let us apologize to you again."

"I don't need your apology. Please leave."

"But, Jian Yiling... We..."

The female students did not know what else to say to Jian Yiling.

"Jian Yiling, what do you want us to do for your forgiveness?" One of the girls asked Jian Yiling cautiously.

"Apologies don't cost anything," Jian Yiling replied.

"Then... Then..."

The female students looked at each other before they suddenly raised their hands to slap themselves.

They assumed that Jian Yiling wanted to see some action.

And thus, they slapped themselves to show their sincerity.

Two of the female students slapped themselves particularly hard. Therefore, their cheeks immediately turned red.

After the slapping, the female students asked Jian Yiling: "Is this okay?"

"I didn't ask you guys to slap yourself," Jian Yiling replied. She was not interested in seeing them slap themselves.

"You..."

After realizing the slaps had been in vain, the female student's expressions became particularly unpleasant.

"Please leave my laboratory. You're disturbing my work," Jian Yiling said one last time.

When faced with Jian Yiling's cold eyes, the female students realized that Jian Yiling could become angry at any moment.

And thus, they hurriedly left the laboratory.

After leaving the laboratory, the female students were worried that Jian Yiling would upload the full video onto the campus forum. Therefore, they decided to write a long apology letter to post on the forum.

The apology letter was well over a thousand words.

The letter was filled with words and phrases that suggested that they genuinely regretted their previous actions. Furthermore, they sincerely wanted Jian Yiling's forgiveness.

After that, they also printed a copy and brought it over to Jian Yiling. This was to ensure that Jian Yiling would read their apology letter. They really did not want the full video to be posted online.

Jian Yiling took a glance at the apology letter before she threw it into the trash.

At this moment, Jian Yiling had no time to listen to these girls' apologies.

She recently assigned herself several heart operations.

She hoped that she could make further progress in this area.

At this moment, Jian Yiling received a phone call from the congressman.

The middle-aged man spoke to Jian Yiling in fluent English.

He expressed his sincere apologies for affecting Jian Yiling's life and work.

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Furthermore, the middle-aged congressman expressed that he would try to find the mastermind behind the scenes as soon as possible.

In the call, the middle-aged congressman was very concerned about Jian Yiling's attitude. It was as though he was afraid that Jian Yiling would break off contact with him due to this matter.

His mind was only at ease once Jian Yiling replied that this incident would not affect their friendship.

And thus, the two of them talked for a few more minutes before hanging up the call.

After that, Qin Yufan called Jian Yiling. She told Jian Yiling that she had been waiting for her at the university gates for quite some time.

She wanted to take Jian Yiling to do a massage to relax.

"I've asked your man's permission for this," Qin Yufan added.

Zhai Yunsheng indeed agreed to this. He wanted Jian Yiling to relax from time to time. Otherwise, she would only be focused on her work. If this was the case, it would be easy for her to burn out.

As she was unable to reject Qin Yufan's numerous invitations, Jian Yiling was taken to the beauty treatment center by Qin Yufan.

After the massage, Qin Yufan placed a facial mask on her face. Then, she curiously asked Jian Yiling: "Has Master Sheng ever bullied [1]you?"

Jian Yiling typically wore loose clothes. However, when the attendant took off Jian Yiling's loose clothing, Jian Yiling's figure was quite impressive.

Her waist was thin and her legs were straight and pale.

And thus, Qin Yufan refused to believe that Zhai Yunsheng could hold himself back.

Unless Zhai Yunsheng was incapable of doing those things. That was also a possibility that some people suspected.

"Nope," Jian Yiling responded. Zhai Yunsheng had not bullied her.

"Not that kind of bullying... The other kind..."

"What do you mean?" Jian Yiling asked as she looked at Qin Yufan with a confused expression on her face.

"Like, has he done some excessively intimate actions to you?"

Although Jian Yiling was only one year younger than her, Qin Yufan had a guilty feeling when she was saying these things to her. It was as though she was not meant to say such topics to an innocent girl.

"Are you trying to ask if we've attempted to reproduce?" Jian Yiling questioned. She suddenly understood the meaning behind Qin Yufan's words.

"Cough... Cough cough..." Qin Yufan just happened to take a sip of tea. Upon hearing these words, she immediately choked on her tea.

Ahh, it appeared as though she underestimated this little girl.

"Yeah, that's what I meant," Qin Yufan replied as she recovered from choking on tea. She was looking forward to Jian Yiling's answer.

"Nope."

"Really?"

"Yeah."

"Can he really hold back?"

"I don't know." As Jian Yiling was responding to these questions, her face was not red at all.

In fact, she seemed to be even calmer than Qin Yufan.

"Jian Yiling, is there anything wrong with Master Sheng's body?" Qin Yufan questioned.

"There shouldn't be."

From a medical point of view, if he could do other exercises, then exercise in that aspect shouldn't be a big problem either.

"Shouldn't be? Have you... Have you checked?" Qin Yufan continued to question.

"Nope."

Qin Yufan swallowed a mouthful of tea before she suggested: "Then, do you want to go home and give him a checkup?"

"A checkup?"

"Yeah. Aren't you a doctor? You should know how to examine such things right?"

Although Jian Yiling was not a specialist doctor in that area, she would still probably know a bit about it, right?

Jian Yiling thought about Qin Yufan's words for a while. There was nothing wrong with a checkup. If something was wrong, it would be better to find out earlier than later.

All of a sudden, Qin Yufan was somewhat looking forward to hearing about this scene.

After all, if Zhai Yunsheng was actually sickly, early treatment would be good for him.

Chapter 754: Giving You A Checkup

And if there wasn't a problem with Zhai Yunsheng's body, then...

As Qin Yufan thought about this, she began to become amused.

She couldn't help her actions. After all, this bastard had caused her pain for so many years. Although she couldn't really take revenge on him, she could still make him suffer a bit. This was totally reasonable, right?

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As soon as Zhai Yunsheng entered the apartment, he took off his suit blazer. Then, he loosened his tie and unbuttoned a few buttons on his shirt.

He walked into the kitchen. At the moment, Jian Yiling was wearing an apron in the kitchen. It appeared as though she was cutting something.

When Zhai Yunsheng walked over to Jian Yiling, he realized that Jian Yiling was cutting a pig's heart.

She was slicing the heart, knife by knife. It appeared as though she was very focused on her cuts.

"What are you doing?"

"Making pork heart stew."

"I don't think I can drink that."

"Mhmm, it's not for you to drink."

"Oh? Is it for Jian Yichen and Jian Yiheng?"

"Hmm, it was just done in passing." The focus wasn't on the pig heart stew. Instead, the focus was on the pig heart.

Jian Yiling was focused on cutting up the pig heart. Making the stew was just done in passing.

"Oh right, there's something I need to do. Wait for me. I'll go wash my hands."

Jian Yiling stopped what she was doing and went to wash her hands.

Upon seeing this, Zhai Yunsheng put his hands into his trouser pockets. Then, he leaned against the kitchen counter as he watched Jian Yiling run up and down the stairs.

Jian Yiling washed her hands very carefully and used a disinfectant to remove any bacteria on her hands.

Then, she ran up to Zhai Yunsheng.

The corners of Zhai Yunsheng's mouth were raised as he looked at her with a light smile on his face.

Jian Yiling's next actions made his eyes widen and his body stiffen. He was at a complete loss of what to do.

"What are you doing?"

Jian Yiling was unbuckling Zhai Yunsheng's belt.

"Taking off your pants," Jian Yiling replied.

Zhai Yunsheng hurriedly held onto his belt. He did not allow Jian Yiling to unbuckle it.

"Why are you taking off my pants?" Zhai Yunsheng asked as he desperately held onto his belt. It was as though his life depended on it.

"I'm giving you a checkup."

Jian Yiling's soft white hands were grasped on Zhai Yunsheng's belt. She was somewhat unhappy at his hands' obstruction.

"Why do you want to do a checkup?" Zhai Yunsheng asked. He leaned back even further. He was almost about to sit on the kitchen counter.

"Qin Yufan said that you may have a problem. She said that you might be unable to reproduce offspring. Therefore, I wanted to check to make sure."

Qin Yufan!

What ideas was this woman instilling in Jian Yiling's mind!?

"No need to check!" Zhai Yunsheng squeezed these words out from between his teeth.

"Why?" Jian Yiling asked as she looked up at Zhai Yunsheng with bright and shining eyes.

Zhai Yunsheng turned his head away. He did not dare to look at Jian Yiling's eyes and expression.

"There's no problem with me. Therefore, there's no need to check."

"Are you sure?" Jian Yiling asked.

"Yes, I'm sure. I'm very sure," Zhai Yunsheng responded as he gritted his teeth.

Qin Yufan!

Jian Yiling stared at Zhai Yunsheng for quite a while. There was a soft shade of red that appeared on Zhai Yunsheng's cheeks.

Then, Zhai Yunsheng took advantage of that moment to break free from Jian Yiling. He quickly escaped from the kitchen.

He went to take a cold shower before he put on some casual clothes.

After he came out of his bedroom, Jian Yiling had already prepared three dishes and a soup. She was waiting to eat dinner with him.

"Next time, don't do such strange things. You will end up suffering."

"Why?" Jian Yiling asked.

"Because I might actually procreate with you."

"But I'm engaged to you. Therefore, it's technically part of my responsibilities," Jian Yiling responded with a serious expression on her face. Then, she said: "Don't worry. I'm not afraid of pain."

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Zhai Yunsheng's chopsticks stopped in mid-air.

However, Jian Yiling continued to say: "According to human anatomy, in..."

"Eat!" Zhai Yunsheng interrupted Jian Yiling's words and ordered her to eat.

"Okay," Jian Yiling replied obediently before she bowed her head to eat dinner.

After finishing his meal, Zhai Yunsheng took out his car keys and went out.

In the past, he always spent his time after dinner in the study room with Jian Yiling.

However, for some reason, he went out today by himself.

It was as though he didn't want to stay in the room for another moment.

Zhai Yunsheng went out for a drive.

When he reached the river bank, he received a call from Yao Moping.

However, Zhai Yunsheng did not answer the call.

Despite this, Yao Moping kept calling him.

The fourth time she called, Zhai Yunsheng finally answered.

"Master Sheng, I just saw your car. Where are you going at this time?"

"Is this related to you?" Zhai Yunsheng asked in an impatient and annoyed tone.

"Master Sheng, if you're upset about something, you can tell me. We've been friends for so many years."

"If you're my friend, I'm willing to speak to you. However, if you want something else, then forget about it," Zhai Yunsheng replied. He did not care about Yao Moping's feelings as he said these words.

"What could I possibly want from you?" Yao Moping replied. "You're already engaged. Furthermore, I've seen the way you treat Jian Yiling. Even if I don't like you romantically anymore, we've still been friends for so many years. We've known each other for so many years. We've hung out together with Han Mengyu and Xing Wei. Isn't it just normal to care about you?"

Whilst calling Zhai Yunsheng, Yao Moping drove to the river bank as well. She then parked her sports car next to Zhai Yunsheng's car.

Yao Moping got out of the car and walked over to Zhai Yunsheng's car. Then, she knocked on his window.

Zhai Yunsheng rolled his window down.

"Are you in a bad mood?" Yao Moping asked. She could sense that Zhai Yunsheng had something on his mind.

Was Zhai Yunsheng in a bad mood?

Perhaps he was.

Jian Yiling's actions today made him think of something.

It wasn't that he didn't want to do some things. Instead, he couldn't do those things.

He already tied her by his side using the engagement. However, he wasn't about to be that selfish.

He couldn't have a child.

There was a fifty percent chance that his child would inherit his condition.

He couldn't gamble on this.

Therefore, he couldn't touch her.

Whether it was now or in the future.

He couldn't let her be pregnant with his child.

"Master Sheng, do you want to talk to me about it? Perhaps I can make some suggestions."

Yao Moping wanted to let Zhai Yunsheng know that she was the one who understood him. She was the one who could accompany him.

There were a lot of things that Jian Yiling couldn't do. However, she could do those things.

Sometimes, he couldn't say certain things to Jian Yiling. She, on the other hand, could help him get rid of his worries.

"You can't," Zhai Yunsheng decisively rejected Yao Moping's words.

"Why? You haven't even told me what's bothering you."

They came from similar families. Furthermore, they had similar interests and hobbies.

Therefore, Yao Moping was confident that she could help Zhai Yunsheng. It didn't matter whether it was a business or personal matter.

"Because, there are some things that you, as a friend, should not ask about."

Yao Moping's face stiffened before she said: "Ahh, okay. I won't ask about it then."

Then, Yao Moping handed Zhai Yunsheng a drink: "I'll stay with you for a while though."

Zhai Yunsheng couldn't drink alcohol. Therefore, she handed him another type of beverage.

However, Zhai Yunsheng did not reach out for the beverage.

"Master Sheng, do you think that there's something wrong with this drink?"

"I don't know whether there's something wrong with it or not. However, I don't want to drink something that's handed to me."

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After Zhai Yunsheng said that, he rolled up his window and started up his car. Then, he drove away from the river bank.

As Yao Moping watched Zhai Yunsheng's car leave, her hand tightened on the drink that she was holding.

Then, she took out her phone and made a call: "Did you take the photos? Okay, send them to Jian Yiling."

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Jian Yiling received a set of photos from an unknown number.

The people in the photos were Zhai Yunsheng and Yao Moping. Both of them were near the river bank.

Based on the photos, the two of them appeared to be very close to each other. They appeared to be behaving intimately as well.

Jian Yiling did not know the photos were taken at a deliberate angle. From a special angle, two people that had quite a bit of distance between them could look like they were right next to each other.

Jain Yiling stared at the photos for quite some time.

Then, she thought about Zhai Yunsheng's abnormal behavior today. He didn't tell her where he was going. He just left... He left to go to the riverbank with Yao Moping...

For some strange reason, Jian Yiling's heart did not feel comfortable. She did not know why she was feeling this way.

However, she was not happy.

She was not happy because of these photos.

But she did not understand why. Why did these photos make her so uncomfortable? These photos did not mean much in the first place.

Jian Yiling put down her phone and tried to direct her attention back to her work.

However, she quickly realized that she was unable to focus on her work anymore.

The photos kept coming up in her mind.

Was Zhai Yunsheng still by the riverbank?

Was he still with Yao Moping?

What were they doing by the riverbank?

Were they talking?

But why were they talking by the riverbank at night?

Why didn't he tell her about this?

All of a sudden, many questions appeared in Jian Yiling's mind.

Jian Yiling wanted to call Zhai Yunsheng. However, after a second thought, she decided against that.

At ten o'clock, Zhai Yunsheng finally arrived home.

This was the time he used to set for Jian Yiling to finish her work. Typically, by ten o'clock, Jian Yiling was already resting in her room. He assumed that today would be no exception.

However, when he entered the apartment, he saw Jian Yiling seated in the living room.

When he entered the room, Jain Yiling glared at him. Her eyes were red however, it did not seem like it was because she had stayed up all night.

"What's wrong?" Zhai Yunsheng softly asked as he quickly walked over to Jian Yiling.

"I don't know," Jian Yiling replied. She did not know why she was feeling this way.

"You don't know?" Zhai Yunsheng repeated. He realized that Jian Yiling's tone and demeanor were significantly different from usual.

It was as though she had gotten bullied.

"Who bullied you?" Zhai Yunsheng asked. All of a sudden, his voice had some anger in it.

"You," Jian Yiling replied.

"Me? I bullied you?"

In order to not bully her, he left his apartment at night.

However, as soon as he entered the apartment, he was accused by Jian Yiling.

"Mhmm!"

"If I were to bully you, then I wouldn't have..." Zhai Yunsheng started. Then, he looked at Jian Yiling's phone that was on the coffee table. The photo of him and Yao Moping were still shown on the screen.

The photos were taken from a very good angle. It made it appear as though the two people in the photo were very close to each other.

Zhai Yunsheng froze for a moment.

For now, he didn't care about who sent the photos to Jian Yiling.

But... Was she upset just now because of...

"Yiling, were you upset because of these photos?"

"Mhmm!"

"You don't like me being with another woman?"

"I don't like it."

I don't like it...

Jian Yiling's response was incredibly straightforward.

Zhai Yunsheng looked at Jian Yiling in a daze. After a while, he began to smile.

Then, his eyes began to become moist.

Chapter 757: You're Too Heavy

When Jian Yiling saw Zhai Yunsheng smiling, her heart felt more stuffy.

And thus, she glared at Zhai Yunsheng. It was obvious that she was quite upset.

However, instead of explaining, Zhai Yunsheng turned around to hug Jian Yiling.

Jian Yiling did not want to hug him today. Therefore, she attempted to push him away.

However, Zhai Yunsheng was unwilling to let her go.

And thus, the two of them fell onto the sofa.

Zhai Yunsheng's body was pressed against Jian Yiling's body.

All of a sudden, the atmosphere changed.

Zhai Yunsheng whispered into Jian Yiling's ear: "I'm happy that you're jealous. However, you shouldn't wrongly accuse me. Those photos were taken from a particular angle. Therefore, they're quite misleading. In reality, I was quite far away from her."

As Zhai Yunsheng spoke, his hot breath was exhaled near Jian Yiling's ear. This was hot and ticklish.

Jian Yiling attempted to curl up into a ball. She didn't move at all.

Even if she wanted to move, she couldn't move. He was way too heavy.

"Hm?" Zhai Yunsheng questioned as he lowered his head to look at Jian Yiling's face.

At that moment, he realized that Jian Yiling's face was as red as a ripe apple.

"You..."

Usually, Jian Yiling was able to say the words "reproduce offspring" without batting her eyes.

In addition, she told him that she was "not afraid of pain."

However, when it was time to put those words into action, merely hugging her made her face incredibly flushed.

Zhai Yunsheng buried his head into Jian Yiling's neck. Then, he said in a deep voice: "Say that you're no longer upset."

"I'm... I'm no longer... Upset."

Her soft voice was right next to Zhai Yunsheng's ears.

Upon hearing this, Zhai Yunsheng's body became heavier.

"Then... Then, can you get up now?" Jian Yiling asked. Her voice was quiet and soft.

"Let me hug you for a bit longer. Just a bit longer," Zhai Yunsheng replied.

Jian Yiling felt that Zhai Yunsheng's body was very hot. Her own body was also becoming hot.

This feeling was very strange and throbbing.

After a while, Zhai Yunsheng finally let go of Jian Yiling.

Both of their faces were flushed with red.

"You're very heavy," Jian Yiling muttered quietly.

"Next time, I'll let you lie on top of me. Will that be better?" Zhai Yunsheng asked with a devilish smile on his face.

"No... No..."

Jian Yiling's mind unconsciously imagined the image that Zhai Yunsheng described. And thus, her face became even redder.

When Zhai Yunsheng saw Jian Yiling's shy expression, he didn't know whether he was teasing her or torturing himself.

"I'm going to go take a shower," Zhai Yunsheng said as he got up.

"You took a shower already," Jian Yiling reminded.

"It's too hot."

Zhai Yunsheng used this reason to quickly go back to his room.

However, it was about to become winter...

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"Mr. Feng, I hope you can carefully consider my proposal," Wei Qirui said with a polite and respectful attitude.

Feng Wei gently smiled at Wei Qirui. However, it was as though Wei Qirui's intentions could not escape his eyes.

"Qirui, I'm basically considered as an elder in the Loyalty Alliance right?"

"Yes, yes."

"Hmm, then please listen to these words of mine. The Loyalty Alliance has been loyal to the Zhai family ever since ancient times. It's unfilial and inappropriate for you to try and take the Zhai family's place."

"Just because the Zhai family led the Loyalty Alliance in the past, it doesn't mean that they will have to in the future. Are powerful people born with their standing in society?[1] Mr. Feng, the Zhai family's power is dissipating as the years go on. Furthermore, the heir of the Zhai family is terminally ill. It's hard to even say how long he will live for."

"Even if Zhai Yunsheng dies, the future matriarch of the Zhai family still exists. Furthermore, even if he dies, if Miss Yiling gives birth to a son or daughter, the Zhai family's lineage will still go on."

"Mr. Feng, do you really think that Miss Yiling can support the Zhai family?"

"Oh? Do you think that it's easy to bully Miss Yiling?" Mr. Feng asked with a smile on his face. He was rather amused by Wei Qirui's words.

Chapter 758: He Seems To Have Really Annoyed Jian Yiling

Wei Qirui replied: "Mr. Feng, I know you know Jian Yiling's brother. Therefore, it's understandable that you have a good impression of Jian Yiling. Furthermore, as she's part of the younger generation, it's

reasonable for you to care and look after her as well. However, do you really think she can take up the responsibility for the Zhai family? Do you really think that she can succeed in being the matriarch of the Loyalty Alliance?

"Hmm, you can think that way," Feng Wei replied with a smile on his face. He did not argue against Wei Qirui's words.

"Mr. Feng, you know the situation of my family. When compared with the Zhai family, the Wei family actually holds similar levels of power. Therefore, we have the ability to lead the Loyalty Alliance."

"So you're telling me this because you want me to be on your side right?"

Feng Wei understood the meaning behind Wei Qirui's words.

Wei Qirui was trying to obtain allies.

"Yes."

"You know, I'm technically not a part of the Loyalty Alliance. Therefore, I do not want to be involved with your internal conflict. If you have the ability to overthrow Zhai Yunsheng and the Zhai family, go ahead and do so."

Feng Wei set himself aside from the matter.

"Mr. Feng, are you really unwilling to join my alliance? I can promise you..."

"No need," Feng Wei interrupted before Wei Qirui could even finish speaking. "I am an old acquaintance with your father. Therefore, I will not interfere with what you want to do. However, I refuse to get involved in this matter either."

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As soon as Feng Wei and Wei Qirui separated, Feng Wei called Jian Yiling. He told her about Wei Qirui's ambitions and reminded her to be careful about him.

He wasn't worried about Jian Yiling's ability to handle things. However, he was worried about Jian Yiling's ability to detect the malice of others.

She was a bit slow in this aspect. Therefore, it would be best for him to remind her.

However, Wei Qirui acted so fearlessly nowadays. Therefore, the Zhai family probably knew about this already.

"I want the Wei Group's operations to be suspended," Jian Yiling replied.

"Really?" Feng Wei exclaimed. He was a little surprised by Jian Yiling's decision.

Jian Yiling's temper was not soft. However, typically, she was not interested in a lot of things. An exception to this was making money.

Therefore, when people bullied her, she acted as though it didn't really matter to her. This made it seem like she was easy to bully.

In the long period of time that Feng Wei had known Jian Yiling, Feng Wei rarely saw Jian Yiling become angry about something.

Therefore, he assumed that Jian Yiling wasn't going to do anything in regard to this matter.

Contrary to this, Jian Yiling wanted the Wei Group's operations to be suspended.

However, she wasn't just saying this. She had the ability to see this through.

"Mhmm, really," Jian Yiling replied.

She wasn't joking around.

"Ahh, then I can only mourn for the Wei Group," Feng Wei replied. After all, he did not plan to get involved in the matter. "However, if you're planning to short [1]their stocks, count me in as well. I want to make a profit too."

Feng Wei did not want to miss out on any opportunity to make money.

Even though he accused Jian Yiling of being a money-grubber, in reality, he was no different to her.

"Okay."

Jian Yiling could agree to this.

"However, you need to do me a favor."

"I knew you would say something like that," Feng Wei replied. He was amused and helpless at the same time. "Go ahead, what do you need me to do?"

"After their operation and stocks become suspended, I want to acquire the Wei Group."

"You want to acquire the Wei Group?" Upon hearing this, Feng Wei was rather surprised. This time, Jian Yiling's attitude was completely different. She treated the entire situation completely differently.

It seemed as though Wei Qirui had really annoyed Jian Yiling this time.

"Yes."

"Okay, I will handle it."

Chapter 759: The Wei Group's Crisis

"Master Sheng, Wei Qirui has been acting too fearlessly these days. Let's indulge him for a little while longer. However, it's probably around time to close the net right?"

Han Mengyu said with an evil smile on his face.

In order to cause someone's demise, you must first drive him mad.

It was Zhai Yunsheng's intention to let Wei Qirui run rampant for the past few weeks.

Zhai Yunsheng, Han Mengyu, and Xing Wei did not only spend their time on fun and games.

Together, they set up a new business alliance called Heqi Alliance. The three of them were core members of the alliance.

Xing Wei: "In addition, Wei Qirui probably spread rumors about your future wife. Previously, it was possible for us to play around with him for a bit longer. However, I don't think it's necessary now."

Han Mengyu: "However, your future wife is actually amazing. She's friends with a congressman! It seems as though her skills are not only recognized in China but they're also recognized internationally!"

Then Han Mengyu said half-jokingly: "If I were to get sick in the future, please let your future wife treat me."

Xing Wei: "Master Sheng's future wife is a surgeon. You're not sickly. Therefore, why would she need to treat you? Do you want her to cut out your appendix or something?"

Zhai Yunsheng interrupted their conversation: "Most of the important companies under the Wei Group's name are listed on the exchange right? Let's make those company stocks suspended and delisted."

Han Mengyu: "Okay, let's go and short those stocks."

Xing Wei: "Wait a minute, why does it seem like someone else is already doing this?"

Upon hearing this, Han Mengyu rushed over to take a look.

Han Mengyu's face was incredibly puzzled as he commented: "Huh? What's going on? They did the exact same thing that we planned to do!"

Xing Wei: "But this doesn't make sense! The Wei Group has been gaining momentum for the past two years. Therefore, there's no reason for anyone else to do this."

Han Mengyu: "Well, one thing is certain. The person who orchestrated this matter definitely has a lot of power behind them."

In fact, you could count the number of people in Beijing who dared to challenge the Wei Group on a single hand.

However, to put those thoughts to action... Who could possibly do that?

Zhai Yunsheng also frowned in confusion.

Who was messing with the Wei Group?

Was this a coincidence?

And what was their purpose?

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The next day, a report about the Wei Group's financial fraud got reported by the news.

As Wei Qirui woke from his sleep, it was as though he got hit by a bolt from the blue.

The news about their company's financial fraud was all over the place.

As soon as the exchange market opened, the value of the Wei Group's stocks plummeted immediately. In fact, after an hour of trading, the stocks got suspended by the exchange market.

In a matter of hours, the market value of the Wei Group dropped by 200 million dollars.

Wei Qirui immediately held a shareholders' meeting to discuss countermeasures.

"Who did this?! Where the hell did this report come from?!" Wei Qirui yelled. He was so angry that his entire body was shaking.

"It's from a company that specializes in digging up insider information from listed companies. The company is called Broken Waves. Furthermore, the company has no more than ten permanent employees. However, they have a lot of temporary employees. The company relies on digging up and releasing information. They make money from shorting the stocks."

Such companies actually existed. Previously, similar incidents had happened as well.

However, Wei Qirui never expected such a thing to happen to him.

"Is there any way to recover our losses?"

"Mr. Wei, we can only ask our public relations team to try and help us regain our reputation. However, if our stocks continue to fall tomorrow, there's a risk of our company being delisted."

"Ahhh, what the hell! This company deserves to be sliced a thousand times with a knife!" Wei Qirui cursed.

Chapter 760: Not Giving Him Respect

And thus, the Wei Group attempted to do everything possible to stabilize the minds and hearts of their shareholders. However, the next day, the company's stock price continued to plummet.

Upon seeing this, Wei Qirui began to panic.

If this went on, the Wei Group's market value would shrink significantly. His entire fortune would disappear.

In fact, if this continued on, their family would definitely not be comparable to the Zhai family. They might even have difficulties maintaining their current operations!

And thus, Wei Qirui could no longer sit around and wait for his death.

He asked the Loyalty Alliance to hold a meeting.

After all, they were all united by the Loyalty Alliance. If one family was in trouble, typically, the other families would not sit around and do nothing.

In Cai Ningxuan, Wei Qirui, the slightly fat old man, and the four other members of the Loyalty Alliance were seated around a round desk.

The last people to arrive were Zhai Yunsheng and Jian Yiling.

Wei Qirui's complexion was incredibly poor. He had dark circles under his eyes. It was obvious that he did not sleep well last night.

"I believe that you guys know the reason why I called for this meeting. In the past two days, the Wei Group has encountered a bit of trouble. Therefore, I want to ask for your help."

As he was asking others to help him, Wei Qirui was no longer arrogant with his words.

However, the members of the Loyalty Alliance did not reply to Wei Qirui. Instead, they turned around to look at Zhai Yunsheng.

The Zhai family had the final say on whether or not to help the Wei Group.

Zhai Yunsheng began to speak: "Well, I told you about this once upon a time. Companies that are a part of the Loyalty Alliance do not become listed on the stock exchange. Once the company becomes listed, it breaks away from the Loyalty Alliance's control. However, it appeared as though the Wei Group wanted other things. Back then, you insisted on making your companies listed on the exchange."

Upon hearing this, Wei Qirui began to panic: "In that situation, becoming listed on the stock exchange would maximize the company's interests. It helped the Wei Group gain much more influence in society. The times have already changed. It's difficult for us to succeed if we still want to follow the same old path."

"Then why are you begging us right now?" Zhai Yunsheng asked.

"I..." Wei Qirui stammered. He was at a loss for words.

Right now, he was indeed in a lot of trouble.

And thus, Wei Qirui mentioned the Loyalty Alliance again: "The operations of the Loyalty Alliance are interconnected. Furthermore, in the past, whenever a family faced difficulties, the rest of the families were all willing to help. Therefore, isn't it natural for me to discuss these matters with you guys?"

Upon hearing this, Zhai Yunsheng laughed: "Interconnected? Natural? You don't even respect the matriarch of the Zhai family. You're quite shameless to say all of that."

Wei Qirui gritted his teeth as he looked at Zhai Yunsheng. Then, he looked at Jian Yiling who stood beside Zhai Yunsheng.

Ever since Jian Yiling entered the room, she was incredibly quiet. It was as though she was merely an accessory that was attached to Zhai Yunsheng.

Wei Qirui attempted to explain: "Master Sheng, that's a completely different matter. I just don't think that Miss Yiling is suited to become the matriarch of the Zhai family. There are definitely more suitable individuals. It's not that I'm disrespecting the Zhai family or anything."

"Wei Qirui, do you think that I will believe in the nonsense that you're saying?"

"Master Sheng, what do you mean by that?"

The slightly fat old man interrupted: "Qirui, it's better for you to solve this matter on your own. Master Sheng's words are very clear already."

"Then what about you guys? What do you guys plan to do?" Wei Qirui asked through clenched teeth.

"Master Sheng's attitude represents the attitude of the Loyalty Alliance," the slightly fat old man replied in a firm voice.

The other four members of the Loyalty Alliance were silent.

Wei Qirui looked around the desk. He knew that the rest of them would not be convinced today.

However, when he thought about his company's stocks plummeting, he was filled with resentment.

And thus, he asked Zhai Yunsheng: "Master Sheng, do you actually not care about the Wei Group?"