

## Toxic Ex 236

### Chapter 236: Why Don't You Stay Over at My Place Tonight?

Lin Yixun tightly hugged her mother. The moment she saw her mother's smile, all her worries and anxieties seemed insignificant. She was very fortunate that no matter when, her mother would always be by her side. No matter how hard it was, she wanted to protect this precious pure land in her heart.

When Ouyang Hao came to see Lin Yixun at night, it was already close to twelve. Lin's mother was already asleep, and Lin Yixun tiptoed out of the hospital room, only to see Ouyang Hao lazily leaning against the wall next to the room, casually playing with his phone.

To avoid unnecessary trouble, the two of them went downstairs together and headed to the small place that Ouyang Hao had bought across from the hospital. This was Lin Yixun's first time here. As soon as she opened the door, she couldn't help but be startled.

She never would have thought that Ouyang Hao, who had always lived a life of luxury, would let himself stay in this small fifty to sixty square meter apartment. The place had one bedroom, one living room, one bathroom, and one kitchen. It had all the essentials, but the decor was very simple. Compared to the apartment Ouyang Hao used to live in, it was like the difference between clouds and mud.

"Do you really live here?" Lin Yixun looked at him and asked.

Ouyang Hao saw the concern in Lin Yixun's eyes, felt a warmth in his heart, and gently rubbed her hair, laughing, "At the time, I was in a hurry to find a place and didn't find anything suitable. It was hard to find one close to the hospital, so I didn't pay much attention to other details. What's wrong with this place? I think it's pretty good. Look at this neighborhood, it's full of greenery, with bird songs and fragrant flowers. It's quite natural."

Natural?

Lin Yixun was both amused and exasperated by this description. It was winter; where were the bird songs and fragrant flowers?

After laughing, Lin Yixun couldn't help but feel a little sad. To be closer to her, to see her a few more times, Ouyang Hao was willing to leave his great apartment and squeeze into this small place. In this world, perhaps only he would go to such lengths for her.

"Ouyang Hao, with you treating me like this, what am I supposed to do?"

Ouyang Hao affectionately tapped her nose, smiling, "Silly girl, you're my wife. Isn't it natural for me to be good to you?"

Wife?

Lin Yixun couldn't help but recall what Mrs. Ou had said to her that afternoon. Her eyes dimmed. If Ouyang Hao knew that his mother had come to see her and strongly opposed their relationship, what would he do?

Would he let go of her? Or break with his family?

From what Lin Yixun knew about Ouyang Hao, the latter was more likely. However, that wasn't the outcome she wanted to see.

"Ouyang Hao..." Lin Yixun opened her mouth, wanting to speak, but the words stuck in her throat and she swallowed them back down. "What's the use of telling him? It's just adding more worries."

"What's wrong?"

"Nothing, I just wanted to call your name."

"Silly girl, you can call my name anytime you want. Why do you hesitate? Of course, if you can leave out the first two words, it would be even better."

"You're so cheesy!"

"You call this cheesy?" Ouyang Hao gave a wicked smile, suddenly leaned in and kissed her deeply. As she was about to suffocate, he reluctantly let her go and said hoarsely, "Now that's what you call cheesy."

"How dare you take advantage of me!" Lin Yixun raised her fist to punch him.

Ouyang Hao grabbed her fist and raised an eyebrow, "What's wrong with taking advantage of my own wife?"

The two of them cuddled for a while, then ordered a late-night snack. By the time they finished eating, it was already past one o'clock.

Ouyang Hao naturally seized this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and tentatively asked, "It's really late. Why don't you stay here tonight?"

#### Chapter 237: Uninvited Guest

Lin Yixun squinted her eyes, stared at him for a few moments, and softly snorted, "You let me stay here, are you up to something?"

A flash of discomfort crossed Ouyang Hao's eyes, he coughed lightly twice, and denied, "No such thing, I just think that if you go back to the ward in the middle of the night, it might disturb your mom's rest. Besides, it's really cold now, it might even be snowing outside. If you go out and catch a cold, who will take care of your mom then?"

Seeing Lin Yixun's hesitant expression, Ouyang Hao added, "If you're worried that I might do something to you, I'll sleep on the sofa in the living room. That way, you'll feel safe, right?"

Lin Yixun raised her eyes and glanced at Ouyang Hao, considering that he wouldn't dare do anything to her, "Okay, I'll stay here tonight."

That night, Lin Yixun didn't sleep well. Just before dawn, feeling thirsty, she went to the living room to get some water, only to find the blanket had slipped off Ouyang Hao's body, leaving his upper half exposed.

Lin Yixun tiptoed to the sofa, picked up the blanket from the floor, and covered Ouyang Hao again. Just as she was about to get up and return to the bedroom, her hand was unexpectedly grabbed by Ouyang Hao, followed by a gentle embrace. The man slowly opened his eyes, with a satisfied smile on his face.

"You weren't asleep?"

Ouyang Hao curled his lips and said, "I woke up when you entered the living room."

"Let go of me, I need to get ready to go back."

"Let me hold you a little longer, okay?"

Lin Yixun did not respond, but neither did she break free. Seeing this, Ouyang Hao took advantage and pulled her completely onto the sofa.

The sofa was wide enough to barely accommodate both of them. Ouyang Hao placed his thigh over Lin Yixun's, wrapping her tightly in his arms, and pulled the blanket over them, covering them snugly.

Lin Yixun never expected that she would end up sharing a "bed" with him simply by trying to cover him with a blanket.

She struggled in Ouyang Hao's arms and angrily said, "Ouyang Hao, you said you wouldn't misbehave!"

"I'm just holding you, how am I misbehaving?" The man's warm breath brushed past her ear.

Lin Yixun felt the man's breath growing hotter, like a fire about to ignite her ears. His breathing also became more rapid, and if she didn't understand what that meant, she would be a fool.

"Ouyang Hao, let me go now!"

Ouyang Hao seemed to sense Lin Yixun's tension and uneasiness, and softly reassured, "Yixun... don't be afraid, I won't do anything to you. Although I want to, as long as you're unwilling, I won't touch you."

He was a normal man, not Liu Xia Hui. He had the woman he loved dearly in his arms, and it was impossible not to have desires.

But because he loved Lin Yixun, he would respect her and not force her.

Ouyang Hao kept his word and did not make any aggressive moves towards Lin Yixun. Though that night, neither of them fell asleep again.

When they woke up in the morning, both felt a bit awkward.

"Morning."

"Morning!"

"Well, I should head back. My mom will worry if she can't find me."

"I'll walk you downstairs."

"Huh? Oh..."

Ouyang Hao walked Lin Yixun to the elevator, but she adamantly refused to let him go any further. Understanding that she was afraid of being caught by paparazzi, he didn't insist.

However, he found it somewhat amusing. She was now his official girlfriend, so why fear the paparazzi?

Turning around, Ouyang Hao walked back to the elevator. Upon reaching his apartment door, he encountered an unexpected guest. The smile on his face instantly vanished when he saw the man.

Chapter 238: Brother, how did you get here?

"Brother, why are you here?"

"Mom asked me to bring you back."

"I won't go back unless they change their attitude towards Yixun."

His face darkened, and he said in a deep voice, "Hao, you're not a child anymore, you can't be so willful."

"Precisely because I'm grown up, I need to make decisions about my own marriage."

"Marriage is not just about two people, it's about two families."

"So what? Brother, you should go. And please tell mom and dad for me, if they really think me being with Yixun disgraces the Ouyang family, then they should just consider me nonexistent."

"You will hurt their feelings this way."

"Yes, I know. But haven't they hurt me too? Wanting to be with the person I love, what's wrong with that? Besides, I know Yixun very well. She is not the person they think she is. Moreover, what dad really cares about is not Yixun as a person, but about Yixun's father's identity and whether his dark past will affect his political career!"

"Are you really willing to break with mom and dad for a woman?"

"I don't want that, it's them who are forcing me."

Ouyang Che pressed his thin lips tightly. Anyone who knew him understood this was a sign of his anger. Ouyang Hao knew it too. If it had been before, he would have backed down and pleaded for forgiveness. But this time, he stood firm.

If he didn't even have the courage to fight for the woman he loved, what kind of a man would Ouyang Hao be?

This was doomed to not be a pleasant conversation. Ouyang Che knew that nothing he said would make any difference. His brother was completely consumed by his emotions.

He would not take action against his family, but anyone else was not within his consideration.

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When Lin Yixun returned to the hospital, her mother had not yet woken up. She was a little surprised; usually by this time, her mother would have been awake. But on second thought, it was a good thing as she wouldn't have to explain why she hadn't come home last night.

As she went downstairs to get breakfast for her mother and came back, her mother happened to come out of the bathroom after washing up.

Noticing her mother's somewhat pale face, Lin Yixun asked worriedly, "Mom, are you not feeling well?"

A strange look flashed in her mother's eyes, but she quickly hid all her emotions behind her calm gaze and said lightly, "Maybe I didn't sleep well last night. A bit more rest will do."

"Okay." Lin Yixun nodded, still worried, "If you feel unwell, you have to tell me."

After breakfast, Ouyang Hao called. From his voice, Lin Yixun sensed that he seemed to be in a bad mood, with a hint of worry.

Lin Yixun asked him why but heard Ouyang Hao casually saying, "Nothing, I just missed you."

Lin Yixun blushed and chided, "Isn't that so cheesy?"

"Not cheesy at all."

"Aren't you rehearsing for the concert? Go on, I'll hang up."

"Wait, Yixun."

"What is it?"

"Recently... has anyone come to see you?"

Lin Yixun's grip on her phone tightened suddenly, but she didn't tell the truth, "No, why?"

"No particular reason, just wanted to check." Ouyang Hao felt relieved. It seemed his brother hadn't taken action yet, although this was quite unlike his usual behavior.

#### Chapter 239: Kidnapped and Lost in Darkness

When she hung up the phone, Lin Yixun's face was no longer relaxed, and a layer of gloom enveloped her heart. She had just lied to Ouyang Hao and didn't tell him that his mother had actually come to see her.

Thinking about the expression on Mrs. Ou's face when she left, Lin Yixun naturally wouldn't naively believe that the matter would just end like that. And she was right, soon Ouyang Hao's family came looking for her again, but this time it wasn't with courteous manners, they directly "kidnapped" her into a car.

After breakfast, Lin Yixun went to Shengde Hospital once again. She hoped that through her efforts, she could persuade Li Quan's family to agree to save Lin's mother, but the result was not as she wished, and she left empty-handed once again.

As she left Shengde Hospital, Lin Yixun was somewhat dejected. What should she do to move Li Quan's family?

She was deep in thought, completely unaware of a military green jeep that was following her. Suddenly, several tall, upright men got out of the jeep. Lin Yixun heard footsteps and instinctively turned her head, but due to the dim light of the night, she couldn't see their faces clearly, yet she had a faint feeling that they meant no good.

Shengde Hospital was located in the suburbs, with few people and vehicles passing by, and even fewer at night. Realizing the situation was bad, Lin Yixun turned and ran, but she was still a step too slow.

The next moment, her nose and mouth were covered by a cloth, and she struggled hard, but her vision became more and more blurry, and then she lost consciousness.

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When Assistant Chen called, Leng Yixiu was attending a cocktail party, talking business with an important partner.

"Sorry, I need to excuse myself for a moment." Leng Yixiu walked to a relatively quiet corner, pressed the answer button, and coldly said, "This better be important."

"President Leng, bad news, Miss Lin has been kidnapped!"

The man's pupils suddenly tightened, "What happened?"

"Just now, a nurse at the hospital saw Miss Lin being forcefully taken by several men into a military green jeep."

"Did you get a clear look at the license plate number?"

"No, it was too far away to see clearly."

The man's eyes darkened, "Okay, I got it."

After hanging up, the man dialed Fei Yichen's number, "President Fei, I need your help to find someone."

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Lin Yixun never thought that one day she would be kidnapped. Her head was covered with a black bag, her mouth tightly gagged, and her body tied up with ropes, unable to move.

She sadly realized that she was now like a fish on a chopping board, at others' mercy. And she couldn't resist, let alone call for help.

Although she couldn't see, the bumpy ride underneath her told her that she was in a vehicle, probably the jeep she had encountered outside the hospital earlier. The vehicle seemed to be heading upward, the road was bumpy with many sharp turns.

Where are they taking her?

Who exactly is kidnapping her? Why are they kidnapping her? She had no money, not even a good-looking face, why would these people kidnap her?

The darkness and the unknown filled her with fear. She wasn't really afraid of what they might do to her; her body was already broken, and her soul even more so.

But she was afraid that her disappearance would worry her mother and Ouyang Hao. What would happen to her mother if she went missing? What would Ouyang Hao do?

Chapter 240: Miss Lin, I didn't invite you here as a guest

Ouyang Hao will definitely look for her all over the world. These people might even use her to threaten Ouyang Hao, demanding a large ransom from him. By then...

She didn't know when, but the car suddenly stalled and stopped. Lin Yixun was then dragged out of the car, and the cover on her head and the ropes on her body were immediately pulled off.

"Sir, we have brought the person over to you."

Sir?

She slowly opened her eyes and found herself on a mountaintop. Her vision gradually became clear, and a man in a black woolen coat with a tall and straight posture appeared in her sight.

The man was very tall, and his facial contours were as if they had been sculpted by a master, flawless without a single blemish. However, those deep eyes were as sharp and cold as an eagle's, making people dare not look directly at him.

Lin Yixun felt that the man in front of her was somewhat familiar, but she couldn't recall where she had seen him before. She searched her mind for a long time and finally remembered him.

Lin Yixun parted her lips slightly and tentatively asked, "Are you Ouyang Hao's brother?"

"Miss Lin has a pretty good memory." The man's voice was somewhat cold, with a hint of sarcasm in his tone.

Upon receiving the response, Lin Yixun's heart sank suddenly. At this moment, she would rather be facing real kidnappers.

"Mr. Ouyang, may I know why you 'invited' me here?"

"It's nothing important, I just wanted to invite you up for a cup of tea." The man said lightly.

Tea?

Lin Yixun glanced around, then lowered her eyes to look at the cold handcuffs on her wrists. Late at night, taking someone to this deserted mountaintop, how could this be an invitation for tea? It was clearly a plan to kill her and dispose of the body, right?

This was his idea of "hospitality"?

Ouyang Che glanced at Lin Yixun and then looked at the man behind her, instructing, "Unlock Miss Lin's handcuffs."

The handcuffs were unlocked, but Lin Yixun's heart did not feel one bit lighter because she knew that the man in front of her had gone through such great lengths to bring her here, certainly not just to have a simple cup of tea.

The man pointed to the stone bench in the pavilion behind him and said, "Miss Lin, please have a seat."

"No need, Mr. Ouyang, just say what you need to say."

"Since Miss Lin has already said so, I won't beat around the bush. Yesterday, my mother came to see you. She must have told you about their attitude towards you and Xiao Hao being together, and my attitude is the same as theirs."

Upon hearing this, Lin Yixun instantly understood. In fact, she already knew Ouyang Hao's brother's attitude when she was 'invited' here.

She slightly curled her lips and met the man's gaze without fear, "I'm sorry, Mr. Ouyang. If you came to persuade me to leave Ouyang Hao, I'm afraid you will be disappointed."

"Miss Lin, I think you misunderstood something. I did not bring you here to be a persuader." The man took a step closer to her, looking down at her like a king, "I suppose Miss Lin doesn't know me well enough. I am someone who always chooses the simplest and most efficient method to do things, and what I intend to do, I must achieve. As for the means, I have plenty. I hope Miss Lin is smart enough not to force me to use those means, which won't make anyone happy."

"Mr. Ouyang, what you mean is, whether I agree or not, you'll force me to agree?"