

Two Trillion 2241

Chapter 2241 - A Brief Reunion

That afternoon, Bai Xiaosheng and the others went out shopping, splurging on clothes and jewelry, with quite the haul. Even though they need to declare and pay taxes when bringing them back to China, the jewelry alone, with the discount given by Mr. Mai, was entirely worth it.

On the way back, Bai Xiaosheng called Wei Xuelian and told her what had just happened.

Wei Xuelian found it intriguing, "You actually bought the necklace that Mo Ran is going to use in the big jewelry show tonight!"

"Yes, quite dramatic, right? But the moment I laid eyes on that necklace, I thought it would suit you perfectly," Bai Xiaosheng chuckled.

"Really? I'd love to see it."

The two of them were so caught up in the moment, they couldn't help but have a long phone conversation.

Regarding that piece of jewelry, Bai Xiaosheng planned to have it sent to the Wei Family since Wei Xuelian was quite busy lately, and she might not make it back from North America by the time Bai Xiaosheng leaves.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, in a considerate manner, quietly listened without interrupting.

By the time Bai Xiaosheng finished talking with Wei Xuelian, their car had almost reached the hotel.

In the evening, Wei Moran called, saying she had arrived at Ganande and was attending the jewelry show. If Bai Xiaosheng and his companions wanted to watch, she could arrange it.

To avoid troubling Wei Moran, Bai Xiaosheng declined the invitation, saying watching it on TV would be just the same, no need to be there in person.

Wei Moran didn't press the matter further.

The night passed uneventfully.

Early the next morning, Bai Xiaosheng and the others, as usual, got up early and busied themselves with their work until noon.

When it looked like it was about the right time, they set off to the place agreed upon with Wei Moran—the "Jasmine Restaurant."

Based on the information Bai Xiaosheng gathered, the restaurant was more like a private dining club in mainland China, located not in downtown but in a scenic suburban garden, mainly serving Chinese cuisine, and the owner was also Chinese.

Reportedly, two years ago, this restaurant was awarded three Michelin stars, but the owner refused it.

The reason being, the owner believed his food didn't need such a Western rating and that his standards were far above such ratings.

That was quite arrogant and was even criticized collectively by numerous food magazines for a long time.

Yet, not only did the restaurant not close down, it became a prized spot for truly important people in Ganande, with countless big names having dined there, and reservations required six months in advance.

However, as Wei Moran mentioned, the Wei Family's direct descendants or close relatives did not need to wait. Back then, the owner here, also a Chinese chef, greatly benefited from the Wei Family's help, reciprocating that favor with extensive privileges, naturally.

Upon arrival, Bai Xiaosheng and his companions mentioned their presence to the staff and were warmly welcomed inside.

Initially, Bai Xiaosheng thought Wei Moran had simply given them a heads-up.

On the way, he had asked Wei Moran about it.

Wei Moran had said she'd arrive around that time but couldn't guarantee the exact timing.

Bai Xiaosheng figured they might have to wait a bit for Wei Moran.

That was understandable.

After all, Wei Moran is an international queen in the film industry, with numerous commitments. Plus, such a big star's outing is quite troublesome, needing to avoid the public eye and entertainment reporters, requiring thoughtful arrangements and timing.

As it turned out, after Bai Xiaosheng and the others were led into an elegantly traditional room, to their surprise, they found a stunning beauty already seated there, burning incense and brewing tea, looking at ease and leisure.

"What, you're already here!" Bai Xiaosheng exclaimed in disbelief upon seeing her, "How did you arrive early!"

This woman was none other than Wei Moran herself.

"Why shouldn't I be early? I'm the host, inviting people over, shouldn't I be early?" Wei Moran looked at Bai Xiaosheng, grinning, "Is this not a little surprise for you? Actually, you all arrived just right; my tea is now ready to drink."

Seeing Wei Moran gesture for him to join, Bai Xiaosheng immediately smiled and took a seat across from her.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying stood aside out of courtesy.

Seeing this, Wei Moran chuckled, "Come on, have a seat, we're all friends here, no need to be so formal."

Bai Xiaosheng also looked at them, laughing, "Relax, our Wei Tianhou is truly down-to-earth. If you stay so polite, she might get upset."

Upon hearing Bai Xiaosheng say so, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying finally smiled and sat down.

"So, Wei Tianhou, how does it feel being the center of attention among the stars?" Bai Xiaosheng joked, taking a cup of tea from Wei Moran.

Wei Moran rolled her eyes at him playfully and handed a cup of tea to Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, saying, "Aren't you, the major figure at Zhenbei Group Greater China Region, also surrounded by stars? How does that feel?"

Bai Xiaosheng took a sip of tea, pondered briefly, and seriously replied, "Busy!"

Then he followed up with another word, "Tired!"

Those two words struck a chord with Wei Moran, who sighed lightly and gave a wry smile, "You're spot on!"

"After this lunch, I have a plane to catch, heading to South America for a music festival!"

"Then I'm off non-stop to Europe, shooting two films, and a dozen commercials; if we want to meet again, it might not be until next year."

Wei Moran's words carried a hint of frustration in her tone and expression.

Bai Xiaosheng empathized, nodding as he sipped his tea.

Both couldn't help but let out a sigh together—

"What kind of life are we living!"

"It's truly hard!"

To the side, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying watched them, speechless.

They were already at a pinnacle ordinary people couldn't dream of reaching, and yet they had the nerve to complain like that. If others heard this, wouldn't they be scolded as "ridiculous"?

"Enough of the gloomy stuff, I heard you had quite the presence in South America, tell me about it," Wei Moran said excitedly.

"No problem, I've got stories and you've got wine, let's chat," Bai Xiaosheng replied with a grin.

Wei Moran immediately stood up smiling, calling a waiter to bring wine and dishes.

When the food and drinks came, the level of the place became apparent.

The wine was superior grape wine, unobtainable in the market, with a top-notch taste. Even the wine glasses were carved from jade, fitting the saying "grape wine in luminous cups."

Dish after exquisite dish came, each portion per person, with the finesse of French and Japanese cuisine, as well as the ultimate taste and smell of Chinese food.

Relishing the food and wine, Bai Xiaosheng and Wei Moran engaged in lively conversation.

Towards the end, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, tipsy from the wine, also helped fill in parts of Bai Xiaosheng's tales.

Wei Moran listened with great interest, eventually declaring she wanted to turn it all into a movie.

Bai Xiaosheng, also merry from the drink, couldn't help but clap and say, "I'm low on cash lately; when I have spare money, I'll start a film company, make my own IP, and develop it myself!"

Wei Moran snorted dismissively.

Was Bai Xiaosheng ever short on cash?

Waiting for him to have spare money?

What nonsense.

When had he ever lacked money...

"If you start a film company, I'll poach talent for you. No, I'll work for you myself!" Wei Moran yelled, caught up in the booze-induced bravado.

Eventually, everyone got a bit tipsy.

After the meal, they had cups of tea as well, to sober up.

In the end, with great reluctance, Wei Moran bid farewell to Bai Xiaosheng; she had a plane to catch.

And Bai Xiaosheng and the others also left at the same time, saying their goodbyes to Wei Moran outside.

At that moment, Bai Xiaosheng and the others needed some rest and to sober up. After all, there was a big evening banquet awaiting them that night.

In the evening, Bai Xiaosheng had heard from Xiya about the Horn Class North American alumni gathering, which not only included those from their class, but they even invited a bunch of friends.

Every one of them came from significant backgrounds, with successful families!

The Horn Class members were contributing because they knew Bai Xiaosheng wanted to discuss business cooperation.

For Bai Xiaosheng, he didn't mind more people coming—the more, the better. More would be merrier.

He intended to use the opportunity to reach out to many, and perhaps even form a large-scale collaborative partnership with all of them.

Should it come to that, even if Caroline really decided not to collaborate with him, or even stirred things up with Bai Xiaosheng—

—it wouldn't be that big of a deal...

Chapter 2242 - Took the Wrong Path

At noon, Bai Xiaosheng had a brief reunion with Wei Moran. Since everyone was old friends, it was inevitable to reminisce about the past, and emotions led to a few more drinks.

Bai Xiaosheng became slightly tipsy after a few drinks.

After parting with Wei Moran, Bai Xiaosheng and the others returned to the hotel to rest, not going anywhere else.

It wasn't until sunset that Bai Xiaosheng, along with Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, set off to the location agreed upon with Xiya.

Despite the timing, Bai Xiaosheng and his group arrived an hour and a half earlier than planned.

According to Bai Xiaosheng, they took a car to a nearby place, then walked the rest of the way, enjoying the evening breeze to refresh themselves.

As for arriving earlier than the Horn Class members, would it be seen as losing face and authority? After all, it's customary for important guests to arrive later, not earlier.

Bai Xiaosheng felt there was no need for such formality.

He became an academy instructor purely by chance, and for him, it was not a profession, just an experience. As an instructor of similar age to the students and not currently teaching, there was really no need to maintain the airs of a superior, it would only alienate them. It was better to become friends. If any collaboration were to happen, it would be better to negotiate on relatively equal terms.

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng's openness, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying had no objections.

The three took a car to the vicinity of the address provided by Xiya, got off, and walked along the cobblestone street.

The afterglow of the sunset scattered as they strolled on the tranquil road, enjoying the evening breeze, making them feel relaxed and comfortable.

"Xiaosheng, I heard from Xiya that this time, six of their classmates brought nine friends, and those people all know each other," Lin Weiwei couldn't help but laugh. "Xiya said she already explained to the Horn Class, and didn't disclose your identity to those invited friends, only saying you are a big Huaxia businessman with extensive business across Huaxia's various industries. This time you're helping the Taylor Family's renewal, and your strength is very considerable. They're supposed to give you a business introduction."

Lin Weiwei added, "I heard from Xiya that the invited friends are outstanding figures from various families, already beginning to wield power and manage businesses within their own families. When we negotiate this cooperation and sign contracts, won't we make a substantial profit?"

Lin Weiwei spoke with excitement, her eyes filled with eagerness.

"These people are not part of Zhenbei Group, so negotiations might be a bit complex, but on the other hand, it's a good thing, solving many problems and avoiding potential risks," Lei Ying said with a smile.

"We'll know how things really are after we meet and talk," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile.

In fact, he was also quite looking forward to it.

At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng's phone suddenly rang.

Bai Xiaosheng took out his phone, saw it was Xiya, promptly answered with a laugh, "Xiya, is that you? We've already arrived nearby, an hour earlier than scheduled. Would you like to come meet us..."

Bai Xiaosheng's last sentence was purely a joke.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged smiles, as they naturally understood.

However, they soon saw Bai Xiaosheng freeze for a moment, then say in surprise, "What? You've already driven to the hotel to pick us up?"

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged a surprised glance.

Unexpectedly, both parties had gone in different directions.

Indeed, they had arrived a little too early.

"But what did Xiaosheng mean by 'you guys', isn't it just Miss Xiya?" Lin Weiwei couldn't help but ask Lei Ying.

Lei Ying shrugged, indicating he didn't know.

"Alright, noted. Be careful on your way," while Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying were exchanging thoughts, Bai Xiaosheng had already hung up the phone.

Having overheard Lin Weiwei just now, after hanging up, Bai Xiaosheng explained with a smile, "It's really not just Xiya, all six of them went to pick us up!"

"Ah?" Lin Weiwei was surprised, "All six... all went!"

So all the Horn Class members went to pick up Bai Xiaosheng and his group?

It did sound a bit exaggerated.

"Seems they do respect you and Lei Ying a lot," Lin Weiwei earnestly remarked.

Lei Ying chuckled and pointed at Bai Xiaosheng, "The key is Xiaosheng, he saved their lives!"

Those six Horn Class members, including Xiya, Monica, and Zack among others, Bai Xiaosheng had indeed saved them.

As for Bai Xiaosheng himself, he didn't pay much attention to it.

Speaking of saving lives, there was never a time Lei Ying wasn't present.

Moreover, it was just a matter of coincidence back then to lend a hand, nothing worth lingering over.

He, Bai Xiaosheng, wasn't looking for eternal gratitude either.

"They're encountering some traffic now, but fortunately they didn't go further. I told them to come back over the phone," Bai Xiaosheng said to Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, "However, Xiya mentioned that the friends they've invited are already waiting for us at the hotel. She suggested we head over first."

Bai Xiaosheng and his group were originally planning to go over, but now that there were no familiar faces, should they still go?

Lin Weiwei looked at Bai Xiaosheng and asked, "So, should we still go?"

Xiya's friends, those nine people, were unfamiliar to their trio. Wouldn't it be awkward if they went over rashly?

Lin Weiwei was concerned about this.

"It won't hurt to go and take a look," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, "It's a good chance to identify suitable partners. Who is suitable for cooperation and who is not. I told Xiya not to disclose our identities to them yet; we'll just be seen as another group of their friends."

If cooperation is to be attained, it's necessary to evaluate potential partners.

Every person is different. Some people might not be suitable as partners.

No matter if those people came alone, getting a glimpse of personal conduct and ideas might reveal the nature of their family background.

Upon hearing Bai Xiaosheng's words, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying both nodded.

Thus, they decided to conduct a private assessment.

The three of them quickly agreed and headed to the hotel.

That hotel was one of Ganande's top ten, although it wasn't primarily for business negotiations. Xiya had reserved two rooms there—one for business discussions and dinner, and the other for the entourage.

Since Bai Xiaosheng and his group were from Huaxia, Xiya arranged a Huaxia-style setup instead of a Western-style cocktail party, setting up a twenty-person round table, making it more than enough for their seventeen.

At this moment, in the room Xiya had reserved, nine people were gathered around a round table.

The entourage they brought was arranged in an adjacent room, leaving none behind here.

While savoring fine wine, these nine people engaged in conversation with each other.

Although these people were all acquainted with each other, the depth of their relationships varied.

Each one came from a significant family, each wielding a part of the important family business.

Among them, the one most actively speaking and with the loudest voice was a white man.

If Bai Xiaosheng and his group saw this person, they would certainly be surprised.

Because this person, along with the woman sitting next to him, had been met by Bai Xiaosheng and the others before.

It was none other than Jack, and the woman beside him was Hannah.

At this moment, Jack was smiling broadly and asked the people around, "Everyone, what are your thoughts about coming here to discuss cooperation?!"

Chapter 2243 - How Is It Them?!

The nine friends invited by Xiya have varying strengths in their families. However, whether it's those from the Horn Class or these nine friends, if all families were compared together, the Xiya Family originally had the strongest power, with the Jack Family being the closest to the Xiya Family.

Jack is a person skilled in socializing; he is very enthusiastic and articulate, able to converse well with almost everyone present.

At this moment, Jack is raising a topic that is not new, yet very important.

Everyone's thoughts on this collaboration.

"I heard from Xiya that their family encountered difficulties this time, and it was the funds provided by that Huaxia businessman that managed to save the entire Xiya Family, truly wealthy! Huaxia people, they have money!" Someone raised a thumb in praise.

Another chimed in, "Yes, indeed. I heard from Xiya that the Huaxia businessman is involved in various industries in Huaxia, very impressive. If possible, our family would naturally hope to cooperate. The Huaxia market is the most dynamic market in recent years! Investing there can't go wrong!"

"Absolutely!"

"Indeed!"

Immediately, there were voices in agreement.

Jack smiled and nodded slightly, seemingly endorsing everyone's words.

The Huaxia market is something his family covets too, but they haven't found a good opportunity.

"Hey, who among you knows more about the Xiya Family's affairs? I heard it's quite complicated behind the scenes. That Huaxia businessman was able to help resolve it, quite impressive."

"That's true, Monica and Zack's families initially offered help too, but whether investing or signing contracts, the funds provided were a mere drop in the ocean. Later, those families also mysteriously backed away after catching wind of something. It's unexpected that the Huaxia people could solve the issue with their massive capital."

"Indeed, I've never seen Xiya so respectful to anyone; could that person be significant?"

"Not just Xiya, didn't you see, Monica and those people shared the same attitude. They even went together to greet that person."

"Yes, what kind of person could that be!"

The crowd continued their heated discussion, full of anticipation for the mysterious Huaxia businessman tonight, expressing their desire to cooperate.

Jack couldn't hold back from coughing heavily, attracting several people's attention before smiling broadly, "Everyone, we are all here with a positive attitude to cooperate and sign contracts, which is great. However, I do have a different opinion!"

This distinct voice immediately drew more people's attention.

Nearby, Hannah also smiled at Jack.

This man sometimes truly has a leadership aura!

Jack noticed everyone looking over and grinned, "Everyone, we are all from commercial families, I'm sure we all understand one phrase—"

Jack's smile faded, and he said seriously, "Business is business; it does not involve emotions. In business, speak business!"

Upon hearing this, the crowd exchanged glances.

Someone laughed, "This is natural. Although we are friends, when it comes to business matters, we will not let emotions interfere as it concerns family interests, emotions cannot be involved."

Others nodded repeatedly.

"Mr. Jack, you ask about things everyone knows; what exactly do you want to say?" someone couldn't help but ask, "Are you perhaps worried we won't give a fair price due to Xiya's influence?"

Jack looked at him and laughed, "As long as it's not the case."

Thereafter, Jack glanced around, smiling calmly, "I just noticed that everyone here automatically shows eagerness and enthusiasm when it comes to collaborating with that Huaxia businessman, wanting desperately to sign contracts. Regarding this emotion, I strongly disagree!"

The crowd was left bewildered by these words, looking at each other in confusion.

"Is there anything wrong with being active and enthusiastic in business?"

"Moreover, the introduction came from Xiya and his people, that's credible!"

"Who wouldn't want the Huaxia market?"

"What's there to disagree with?"

Everyone expressed different opinions.

Jack raised both hands gently, "Everyone, please don't rush; hear me out."

The crowd looked at him and quieted down.

"Of course, cooperation is necessary! That massive Huaxia market, that wealthy Huaxia businessman, who wouldn't be tempted; I'm tempted too." Jack's eyes shone as he spoke, "But, how can we secure the most favorable terms possible and gain the most from the collaboration? Have you thought about it?!"

The crowd couldn't help but exchange glances.

Of course, they wanted to earn more!

Businessmen pursue profit!

This ideology had been instilled in them since childhood, almost ingrained in their bones.

"Think about it. If you approach negotiations individually, being so eager and proactive, would the terms and prices stand high? Huaxia people are very astute!" Jack laughed.

Upon mentioning Huaxia people, Jack's mind flashed back to the three Huaxia individuals he met in the jewelry store, especially the young man leading them who dared to publicly mock him!

Later, it was unclear what tactics that man employed, even the brand's deputy general manager ended up compliant.

This shows that the cunning and strategies of Huaxia people are no myth!

Thinking of that man, Jack's heart simmered with anger again.

But now wasn't the time to dwell on that.

Jack steadied his mind, seeing everyone nodding frequently around him, and continued smiling, "Individually, none of us compares to the Xiya Family, and in their view, we might not be significant. But, if we band together, the situation would be different!"

Jack laughed, "If he wants to sign, he has to sign with our nine families; if not, he loses a large potential partnership, not just one or two families! This way, the mentality on both sides changes; even such a big businessman cannot underestimate us! After all, a commercial partnership is not a one-sided affair; it's mutual benefit. He wants to profit from us too!"

Upon hearing this, the crowd couldn't help but their eyes gleamed, nodding repeatedly, showering praises—

"Mr. Jack is absolutely right!"

"Exactly right, well said!"

"Negotiating individually with Huaxia people would be a loss. Together, he'd likely have to approach us!"

"This is the importance of alliance, haha!"

Jack watched those agreeing with his views with a smile.

Nearby, Hannah gently tapped the table, raised her voice, "I think when we talk to the Huaxia people, we should have a leading person. Since Jack reminded us, how about we choose him?"

The people present, concerned with gaining more from cooperation, didn't mind such matters.

Hannah's suggestion was also reasonable, Jack indeed took the lead, reminding them, so they nodded in agreement continuously.

Hannah gave Jack a meaningful smile.

Jack discreetly returned a smile.

This matter, he had already coordinated with Hannah, having her cooperate with him.

At first glance, being the spokesperson is not gaining any personal benefit.

But this role itself is the greatest advantage!

If the other party wants to cooperate, they must work with him. How to satisfy him? By offering terms!

By that time, the conditions for the Jack Family would certainly be the most favorable.

Of course, Hannah's family would enjoy the same benefits.

At the moment, the nine people were in complete agreement.

Suddenly, there was a noise from the door; it opened, and someone walked in.

Everyone thought it was the return of Xiya and his group, and looked over.

Jack's face was covered in smiles.

Before Xiya and the others returned, he had already fully grasped the situation, it was excellent.

But the person who walked in subsequently made Jack's smile freeze, his expression shocked—

"What, it's them!"

Chapter 2244 - You're Out!

The Horn Class North America Alumni Association, today's gathering is at the Ganande, at the entrance of the Xiya's house, and the place was also found by Xiya. The only person guarding outside the hall is also from Xiya's family.

Coincidentally, that person actually recognizes Bai Xiaosheng.

After all, when Bai Xiaosheng visited Xiya's house, he was accompanied by the Clan Leader himself.

Facing Bai Xiaosheng, that person had an extremely reverent attitude.

Bai Xiaosheng and his companions wanted to enter that hall, and not only did the person not stop them, but he personally opened the door, without even notifying anyone.

Thus, Bai Xiaosheng and the two others could directly push the door open and walk in.

Upon entering, they saw a large round table in the center of the hall, surrounded by nine people.

At that moment, all those people turned their heads to look at them.

The gazes varied, with curiosity, scrutiny, astonishment, and... surprise!

The surprise came from four eyes, meaning two people.

Bai Xiaosheng immediately noticed Jack sitting in the center of the nine people, along with Hannah, and he was slightly taken aback.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying also noticed, and their eyes instantly sharpened.

What a coincidence, they had just met yesterday, and now they were meeting again so soon!

Back then, Jack wanted to buy the jewelry Bai Xiaosheng had chosen. When his wish wasn't fulfilled, he even advised the shopkeeper on how to deal with Bai Xiaosheng, with despicable tricks!

Lin Weiwei had been holding onto this grudge for Bai Xiaosheng.

Afterwards, Jack and Hannah wanted to see Bai Xiaosheng and his friends make a fool of themselves, but they didn't get their way again. At that time, the two must have felt quite aggrieved.

Now, their foes had met again in such a situation!

It seemed that Jack and Hannah were also invited friends by Xiya.

While Bai Xiaosheng and his companions assessed the others, Jack and Hannah were also looking at them, their gazes shifting from surprise to suspicion.

Why were these three here?!

Wasn't someone guarding the door?

The fact that they weren't stopped meant that they were also participants in this gathering.

Wait... Huaxia people?

This gathering was supposedly inviting Huaxia business tycoons!

Actually, people had already speculated that if that Huaxia business tycoon had strong power, they could easily save the Taylor Family from trouble and become a VIP guest of the Taylor Clan Leader, almost equating to someone on par with the Clan Leaders.

Wouldn't it seem out of place for them to mingle with these juniors?

Even though many of those present would become future Family Heads, they weren't as of now.

If that person concerned about their status, they probably wouldn't show up themselves, but send representatives instead.

Jack pondered this and looked at Bai Xiaosheng, abruptly realizing something.

This kid, along with the two others, could it be that they are representatives sent by the Huaxia business tycoon?!

Beside him, Hannah also came to that conclusion and involuntarily glanced at Jack.

If that's the case, what should Jack and she do?

Previously, there was already unpleasantness between both sides, which wasn't a good start for cooperation.

For the sake of the larger cooperation, should they be nicer now, at the very least, not take the lead in hiking prices and not be too excessive?

Suddenly, Hannah noticed the corner of Jack's mouth curling into a curve.

That was a sneer.

Clearly, Jack didn't follow her line of thought!

Instead, he seemed inclined to do the opposite!

At this moment, Jack looked at Bai Xiaosheng with a sense of "finally catching you." He had a plan of his own: if this Huaxia guy in front truly was the representative sent by the Huaxia business tycoon, he came with a "mission" today. If even one cooperation deal couldn't be negotiated, he wouldn't be able to report back!

In terms of customer and cooperation primacy, the strictness of Huaxia bosses towards their employees far exceeded all else.

In that case, why be polite!

Having witnessed your arrogance yesterday, today I want to see you embarrassed! Jack decided on this scheme.

"Ahem, sir, you just barged in like this, who exactly are you?" Jack leaned back, looking at Bai Xiaosheng with a half-smile, coldly asking.

This demeanor made it seem as if Jack was the boss here.

The people next to Jack exchanged whispers, quietly communicating.

The three young Huaxia people who could enter their private gathering were unlikely to be outsiders; they were probably representatives sent by the Huaxia business tycoon!

With this conclusion, everyone looked at Jack.

Jack's words were reasonable, don't show too much eagerness, don't negotiate alone, acting together as a group would gain more benefits.

Since Jack was acknowledged as the leader, they'd first see how he'd handle things.

In that moment, Jack truly became the invisible "leader" among them.

Enjoying the attention from those around him, Jack's confidence grew stronger.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying couldn't help exchanging a glance. Seeing Jack here truly disgusted them. Observing the current scene, they felt a bit of disgust and confusion. They hadn't heard from Xiya that there was any special presence among the nine people, so why was Jack being so esteemed?

It was a bit odd.

Bai Xiaosheng observed Jack and the varying expressions of those beside him, making a guess, and smiling, he stepped forward, "This is a gathering organized by Xiya and her friends, isn't it? You all are guests, and so am I."

While speaking, Bai Xiaosheng walked over to the round table, pulled a chair, and sat down, directly across from Jack, opposite the nine people.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying also walked over, sitting on either side of Bai Xiaosheng.

Three people against nine, they exuded composure and confidence without any hint of inferiority.

Chapter 2245 - You Are Out! (Part 2)

"This banquet was organized by Miss Xiya, along with Miss Monica, Mr. Zack, and others. They've invited us friends to exchange feelings with the big businessmen from Huaxia and perhaps discuss cooperation," Mr. Jack said with a smile, looking at Bai Xiaosheng, though there was a hint of a cold smile in his eyes. "Judging by your appearance, I suppose that the big businessman from Huaxia is your employer. You've been sent here to negotiate cooperation with us."

With that, Mr. Jack publicly "pointed out" the identities of Bai Xiaosheng and his group.

However, in Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying's eyes, this confident guy seemed somewhat presumptuous.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled, facing the gazes of the others, and nodded, saying, "Yes, I've come to discuss cooperation with everyone."

Mr. Jack's words, Bai Xiaosheng neither acknowledged nor denied. If those people across the table had some misunderstandings, it was not his fault.

Sometimes Bai Xiaosheng could be quite "stealthily cunning".

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying remained silent.

Across from them, apart from Mr. Jack and Hannah, everyone's eyes brightened, their smiles grew two degrees warmer, yet they only nodded without expressing excessive enthusiasm.

After all, what Mr. Jack said seemed quite reasonable.

Bai Xiaosheng watched and calculated in his mind.

It seemed that Mr. Jack had already informed these people before they arrived, forming a temporary alliance to raise the stakes in the negotiation!

And elevate Mr. Jack's personal value to another level.

One had to admit, he was pretty smart.

Bai Xiaosheng, with his intelligence, could see through the tricks at a glance.

Bai Xiaosheng looked at Mr. Jack; if not for yesterday's annoying actions by him, he might have admired this person a little.

"Since I'm already here, let's have a chat," Bai Xiaosheng smiled at everyone across the table and said, "Xiya invited you and also informed us of your family names and the businesses you're involved in. I've done some homework. Rest assured, none of you will leave disappointed! And I assure you, the bolder you are in negotiating cooperation, the more you'll enjoy great opportunities!"

Bai Xiaosheng glanced around the people and smiled again, saying, "This first cooperation, it's best to discuss something big, because in the coming year, for individual families wanting to invest in certain businesses, if it's not included in our plan, it would greatly disrupt planning. Our side doesn't particularly like it!"

These words of Bai Xiaosheng caused a disturbance in the short-term "alliance" Mr. Jack had just established.

Not fond of individual investments?

Such bravado!

However, if the other side has enough strength, immense business, and long-term planning, naturally they would be considerate enough; collaborations they can't provide, people would seek elsewhere, no need to rely on scattered investments.

This makes sense!

But the premise is, the other party truly has astonishing strength!

Suddenly, many began to look at Bai Xiaosheng with fervent eyes.

Even Mr. Jack couldn't help but grip the hand resting on his leg.

The other's words were bold and arrogant, yet they were also tempting to him.

But they were to collaborate with the big businessman behind the scenes from Huaxia, and these minions had little to do with it.

Mr. Jack wanted to raise the price and also aimed to publicly deflate Bai Xiaosheng, who appeared annoying to him.

"You're quite bold, sir!" Mr. Jack steadied his mind, smiled at Bai Xiaosheng, and said, "And quite skilled in magnifying claims, casually throwing us empty words, intending to unsettle us; isn't that underestimating us?"

Mr. Jack's words made those next to him exchange glances, feeling it made sense, and they began to whisper among themselves.

"Indeed, one sentence and we're expected to sign big contracts, what if something goes wrong, how do we explain this to our families."

"Even if I consult my family, I must know who's behind him; is there genuine cooperative value, is it trustworthy."

"Mr. Jack is right, just a sentence and we lose our footing, seems we're quite naive."

The murmuring made Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying glance at Mr. Jack with some dissatisfaction.

This man was trying to stir trouble again; yesterday's account wasn't settled yet, and today he popped up again to disrupt matters. Who did he think he was? Just a minor character from a small family inferior to the Taylor Family, and dared to engage with Bai Xiaosheng?

Ridiculous!

Bai Xiaosheng had battled numerous influential figures over the years; would he maneuver against such small fry?

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying couldn't help but look at the calm-faced Bai Xiaosheng.

At this moment, Mr. Jack was somewhat smug, tilting his head looking at Bai Xiaosheng, with an easy-going smile.

In his view, a single casual sentence from him caused Bai Xiaosheng's scheme to fall flat; unless Bai Xiaosheng dealt with him, there would be no progress in cooperation!

Come and bow before me!

Come and yield to me!

Offer me more benefits!

Perhaps, I'll overlook past grievances.

Otherwise, today you won't have any substantial results to report to your master.

Once the negotiations wrap up, even if Xiya and the others arrive, it won't make a difference.

Besides, Xiya was merely introducing cooperation; how it's negotiated doesn't concern her.

Friends in business shouldn't invoke personal feelings.

Mr. Jack's inner thoughts were written on his face and ready to burst out.

Bai Xiaosheng, with his vision, saw it immediately and found it amusing.

A bottle of opened Romanee-Conti was placed on the nearby table, Bai Xiaosheng reached for it, admired the alluring wine color inside, and poured himself a glass.

Mr. Jack watched Bai Xiaosheng's every move, half-smiling, he said, "Sir, you were entrusted to come here, and I'm honored to converse with you on behalf of everyone present. If I say anything inappropriate, I hope you'll understand."

Chapter 2246 - You're Out!

Bai Xiaosheng swirled the crystal glass in his hand, smiling as he looked at Jack and said, "Mr. Jack, what you are saying is quite good, please continue."

Bai Xiaosheng maintained his calm demeanor, unhurried and composed, causing Jack's eyes to narrow slightly.

According to his plan, Bai Xiaosheng shouldn't be reacting this way.

He should show sincerity.

He should be forthright and genuine.

He should be exceedingly polite and humble to someone like Jack...

He seemed unaware, as if he didn't know where he stood in this situation.

Jack's eyes narrowed immediately, and he sneered, "Since you want me to speak, excuse my rudeness!"

Jack decided not to show Bai Xiaosheng any respect.

"Today, we are here to discuss cooperation with you on behalf of the nine families present! Indeed! Each of our individual strengths can't compare to the Taylor Clan, but if we join forces, we can completely surpass first-tier, even top-tier families!"

"Having an important discussion with so many of us, I think it wouldn't be too much to have that Huaxia magnate personally present!"

Jack sneered, pointing at Bai Xiaosheng, "Someone like you seems not substantial enough!"

"After all, who do you think you are!"

These words immediately resonated with others, and although they did not say it openly, they quietly discussed and nodded in agreement.

Hannah, sitting next to Jack, felt a mixture of admiration and unease.

Being a family matter, she also cautiously considered this situation.

Opposite them, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying couldn't help but cast cold glances at Jack.

This Jack was getting bolder!

He dared to question who Bai Xiaosheng thought he was?!

After Jack's remarks, Bai Xiaosheng's expression also turned slightly cold.

Bai Xiaosheng's status was such that sparring verbally with Jack until now was already showing him consideration, and the reason for doing so was because Jack was a friend of Xiya and others.

At this point, it seemed unnecessary to continue showing Jack respect.

Believing that Xiya and the others understood, they wouldn't say much about it.

"Are you done speaking?"

In the face of Jack's "insulting" words, Bai Xiaosheng sipped a little red wine, swallowed it slowly, and while putting down his glass, smiled and asked Jack.

Jack wore a cold smile, a look of "I've made myself clear, yet you refuse to conform" on his face.

"You're saying I'm not substantial enough." Bai Xiaosheng nodded, not refuting.

Then, Bai Xiaosheng directed his gaze to the edge of the group of nine, smiled at one person, and said, "You're from the Winchester Family, right? Your family deals in a lot of aquatic business, and you've recently been trying to negotiate cooperation with Huaxia's Datian Aquatic Products, but to no avail, as they have been indecisive between your family and two European suppliers."

The person was taken aback upon hearing this, surprised at Bai Xiaosheng's detailed knowledge of their situation.

Jack was similarly astonished, watching Bai Xiaosheng.

He had just insulted Bai Xiaosheng, yet Bai Xiaosheng turned around and started chatting with someone else.

Did this person have no self-respect?

The others exchanged glances, unable to fathom Bai Xiaosheng's intentions.

"Weiwei, contact the folks at Datian and ask their representative to express their position to the Winchester Family." Bai Xiaosheng casually said.

Lin Weiwei acknowledged.

Before coming here, she had prepared by adding those she needed to contact into a group.

At this moment, she took out her phone and operated swiftly.

Among these attendees, each belonging to a particular family, Bai Xiaosheng had done his homework. They had connections with Huaxia's Zhenbei Group Greater China Region enterprises, with Tengyun, Beifeng, Haoyu, the few families in Xianggang, the Soruns in Europe, the Luo Family in Europe, and the Qin Family in South America. It was impossible for them to be unconnected entirely.

For Bai Xiaosheng, informing all parties was not a problem!

Lin Weiwei simply sent a few words from her phone and whispered to Bai Xiaosheng that everything was ready.

Those opposite them looked in astonishment at them.

Within two minutes, the Winchester Family member's phone began ringing incessantly; they immediately answered, and within seconds, looked at Bai Xiaosheng with shock.

"Datian said that if you agree, they'll... sign the contract with us!" The person gulped, stunned.

Aquatics weren't their family's entire business, but it was one of their important enterprises.

Could it really be that with just a word from this young Huaxia man, there was a breakthrough on something their family had been discussing for many years?

The person's demeanor instantly changed, filled with awe toward Bai Xiaosheng.

This was no mere representative!

With just a single word, this person could influence deals worth billions!

Bai Xiaosheng ignored that person and turned his head to another, smiling as he said, "You're from the Latti Family, right? Your family has been discussing advertising agency business with Tengyun recently, correct..."

Just like that, Bai Xiaosheng unhurriedly conversed with three or four people.

His one-off comments could influence the success of a major business deal.

This level of power was truly shocking!

Jack was dumbfounded.

Hannah also widened her beautiful eyes and covered her mouth.

"Who are you really?!" Jack asked in astonishment, looking at Bai Xiaosheng while gasping.

The situation was entirely beyond Jack's imagination, his previously calm and collected demeanor completely obliterated.

"If I say I'm just the person Xiya introduced for you to know, would you believe it?" Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said.

One sentence, and the breath of the nine people opposite him hitched.

Half an hour ago, even if faced with death, they wouldn't believe it; now, no one dared not to.

The sheer power this man casually displayed was too incredible!

Jack subtly gritted his teeth, his surprise mixed with a feeling he couldn't quite swallow.

However, for the sake of family business, he was willing to endure, at least once.

"Then tell me, what benefits can you bring to my family; let me see if you're worthy of cooperation!" Jack said stubbornly, not wanting to lose face.

Bai Xiaosheng looked at him with a smile, "You?"

Everyone else also looked at Bai Xiaosheng, curious to see what major cooperation this young, mysterious person would bring up.

"I'm sorry, but I don't plan to collaborate with your family."

With a straightforward statement, Bai Xiaosheng's words landed like a thunderbolt, leaving Jack dumbstruck.

"You as an individual are unworthy of my cooperation." Bai Xiaosheng stated calmly, "Because of you, your family is out!"

Chapter 2247 - Everyone, Look—What Should We Do?

Jack's little tricks of driving wolves to swallow tigers are nothing but child's play in Bai Xiaosheng's eyes. He stopped using such tactics years ago.

It's laughable that Jack is unaware, thinking he can manipulate others and profit by himself.

When Bai Xiaosheng acts, Jack has only one way out — departure.

In front of everyone, Jack heard Bai Xiaosheng express his disapproval of him, claiming that even his family was excluded from the negotiations, which visibly changed his complexion.

The task of attending this negotiation was none other than Jack himself.

Only by bringing big business to his family can his position be stable, enabling him to advance further toward becoming the clan leader.

That's why, at the beginning, Jack put effort into making himself everyone's spokesperson.

But unexpectedly— he messed up!

"You, why do you say that!" Jack panicked but stubbornly retorted, "Just because I'm standing up for everyone, you think I'm an obstacle and don't want to cooperate with me. Everyone, look at this reckless person, who would dare cooperate with him!"

Jack wasn't foolish; he knew he needed everyone's support to possibly turn the situation around.

"Isn't that right!" Jack finished speaking, looking at others, hoping for support.

In the end, no one spoke up from either side.

Everyone just observed Jack, their gazes amused.

Even Hannah was silent, sipping her red wine.

This silence instilled a deep fear in Jack.

He treated everyone as fools, not realizing that no one sitting here would be an idiot!

"Why aren't you speaking? He can arbitrarily determine the character of individuals or even families based on his whims, making people excluded casually. Aren't you worried? Next, it might be you or you!" Jack anxiously said, emphasizing the seriousness of the matter.

Silence still persisted.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled faintly, watching Jack.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying felt amused.

"We are choosing partners; we can also bring vast benefits to partners. Do you think we can't make choices based on our preferences?" Lin Weiwei laughed, "As for earlier, don't you have any idea why our gentleman evaluated you like that? Yesterday, you tricked us, and you seem to have forgotten it

completely. What, you want to drag others down with you, get excluded together? You think everyone is a fool."

Lin Weiwei's words enlightened those around Jack.

No wonder that young man said Jack had character issues. Turns out the two sides already had a conflict!

Due to his own mistakes, causing the family to lose big business in vain, truly foolish!

Everyone looked at Jack with pity.

From this moment, Jack was completely abandoned by everyone, and no matter what he tried to convince, no one would believe him anymore.

However, even without Lin Weiwei's words, none of the people present would side with Jack and lose cooperation opportunities.

The power Bai Xiaosheng had just demonstrated already had everyone thoroughly convinced. They could facilitate their businesses in Europe, Asia, and South America so effortlessly; is this an ordinary person!

Everyone immediately elevated Bai Xiaosheng's value from their heart to the peak.

Aside from others, even Hannah immediately "abandoned" Jack.

After all, this concerns family business and future!

Regarding this matter, no one would be foolish, and no one dared to be foolish.

Seeing everyone "abandon" him, and Lin Weiwei publicly uttering those words, Jack's face turned pale.

"You can't do this..." Jack looked at Bai Xiaosheng, pressing his voice, slightly hoarse, murmuring.

"I can." Bai Xiaosheng's eyes were calm, telling Jack.

It's truly tragic that this person still can't recognize the situation.

"I was invited by Xiya herself... by the Taylor Family, you, you treat me like this!" Jack said angrily, suddenly standing up, "I'm going to ask Xiya for an explanation. Did she invite me to suffer such treatment?"

Jack was taking a desperate gamble.

He wanted to make a last-ditch effort, trying to use Xiya to make things difficult for Bai Xiaosheng, seeking a turnaround.

This idea was unusually clever.

But reality never lacks such people, Bai Xiaosheng and the others have seen them more than once.

Bai Xiaosheng sat there, watching Jack perform quietly.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying also watched languidly.

No one else spoke.

Jack threw his words out there, gritting his teeth, stepping outside, though his heart was anxiously chaotic—

Why haven't Xiya and the others come back, it's been so long!

I need to walk slower, wait until they come, express some dissatisfaction, Xiya and the others surely will negotiate from among them, by then, I'll privately apologize to the one named Bai, considering the business, I don't believe he would truly abandon cooperation with such a large family like mine.

Jack's face was resolute, but his steps were hesitant.

Everyone was growing impatient watching him.

"Mr. Jack." Bai Xiaosheng suddenly opened his mouth slowly.

"Are you calling me?" Jack immediately stopped his steps.

"Can you hurry up? And by the way, close the door properly." Bai Xiaosheng didn't even turn his head, "We're about to discuss important cooperation here, irrelevant people should not listen."

These words truly infuriated Jack.

Those who previously supported Jack actually began to speak up, their voices filled with urgency and impatience.

"Mr. Jack, hurry up and leave, don't delay us discussing important matters here!"

"Indeed, stop dawdling!"

"Because of you, we can't start talking business here!"

"Walk faster, truly lacking a bit of manly spirit!"

Even Hannah raised her voice, "Jack, perhaps you should step outside first, don't waste everyone's time."

Suddenly, Jack became the target of public criticism, and he felt furious.

The group, seeing a major cooperation ahead, didn't care about feelings at all, despite previously supporting and agreeing with him, now they've fallen out with him like this, truly shameless!

What's ridiculous is that earlier, Jack repeatedly emphasized, in business, we shouldn't be swayed by personal feelings...

Humiliated by everyone, Jack angrily glared at them and turned his face, taking big strides toward the entrance.

But Jack was also someone who cares about face!

As he reached the door, stretching his hand to open it, the door itself opened, and many people were starting to step inside, taken aback seeing Jack standing right in front.

Jack also saw who they were.

Leading them was Xiya, followed by a few people including Monica and Zack, all of whom he knew!

Moreover, he had quite a good relationship with several of them!

Jack's heart was immediately filled with joy.

They finally returned!

Around the round table, the eight people sitting together with Jack also saw Xiya and the others, immediately falling silent.

Whether it was Xiya or the people behind her, they had good relations with Jack. Given time, they would certainly mediate from among them. Perhaps Jack could return to his original seat, making their previous efforts to drive him out seem confrontational.

"Jack, what were you up to? Are you welcoming us?" Xiya jokingly said.

"Could it be you drank too much and need to go to the bathroom? There's a restroom right here." Someone laughed.

From the conversation, Xiya and the others seemed quite friendly with Jack.

Jack, seeing a savior, endured his full stomach of bitterness, and frowned, sighing to Xiya, "I was driven out!"

Xiya and the others were immediately surprised.

"I invited him out." Bai Xiaosheng didn't turn his head, calmly announced.

Xiya and the others were instantly shocked, glancing at Bai Xiaosheng's back.

Jack frowned, obstinately speaking to Xiya, "I had a little misunderstanding with him, and he treated me like this. How do you guys intend to handle this?"

Chapter 2248 - Everyone Goes Mad

Jack thought that once Xiya and the others learned about this matter, they would inevitably pull him aside to question him. At that time, he could explain the "misunderstanding" from his perspective, make some sophistries, complain a bit, and express his willingness to apologize to that person. He believed Xiya and the others would have nothing to say and would mediate the situation.

After all, that person would have to give some face to the host who invited them.

And thus, this matter would be bygone.

Jack was thinking optimistically, but he then saw those self-assumed acquaintances and friends led by Xiya, their smiles stiffened and faded away.

Xiya glanced at Bai Xiaosheng's back, said nothing, and directly stepped aside a step.

The people behind her did the same, instantly making way for a passage.

"In that case, Jack, you may leave!" Xiya said decisively and straightforwardly.

Monica, Zack, and the others behind Xiya also looked at Jack, their gaze even carried a hint of indifference.

What's going on?!

Jack was dumbfounded, incredulously looking at them.

We've known each other for quite some time, haven't our families also had many business dealings? How could they be so ungrateful!

As soon as that person spoke, they acted as if carrying out an order, asking him to leave?

Jack widened his eyes, looking at Xiya and the others in shock.

"Why aren't you leaving!" Xiya frowned coldly and said, "Jack, do you want me to call someone to escort you out? Don't embarrass yourself!"

What Xiya said was indeed not polite.

The expressions of the people behind Xiya also conveyed the same meaning.

Jack finally realized the seriousness of this matter.

Moreover, he ultimately underestimated the importance of that Huaxia person in the hearts of Xiya and the others.

"I... Actually, I'm somewhat at fault in this matter." Jack lowered his voice and urgently said to Xiya.

This statement indicated his willingness to concede.

"Just leave first, don't waste our time, we still need to connect with our instructor!" Xiya sternly said this as she approached Bai Xiaosheng without even glancing at Jack.

The others also passed by Jack silently, each giving him a cold look.

Jack then realized that the situation was much more severe than he had thought!

This time coming here, let alone discussing business with the Huaxia people, even the partnerships with these former collaborators might encounter problems!

How would he explain this when he returned home!

Sweat beaded on Jack's forehead instantly.

The last person walking out rudely pushed Jack, forcibly shoving him outside.

Immediately, the door slammed shut with a "bang," startling Jack significantly.

Jack's face turned pale as paper.

Whom did he offend today?!

What is that Huaxia guy's background, after all?!

Furthermore, what did Xiya mean by "our instructor" in her statement?

Jack's questions were also on the minds of the remaining eight people around the round table in the hall.

Seeing how Xiya and the others dealt with Jack, everyone felt alarmed.

Usually, they had good relationships and business interactions. Even if someone made a mistake, why didn't anyone speak up for Jack or attempt mediation?!

They just drove him out?

It seemed unnecessary!

The eight people, including Hannah, were also confused by Xiya's mention of "instructor."

However, seeing Xiya and the others approaching, Hannah and the others quickly forced smiles and stood up.

Although they were guests, they didn't have such airs to remain seated.

But there were people who remained seated—Bai Xiaosheng and his two companions.

Bai Xiaosheng had to consider his status since he would soon engage in business talks with these family prodigies, so he couldn't lose face.

Lei Ying was Xiya and her group's instructor, so he naturally didn't need to get up.

The remaining Lin Weiwei also couldn't "break formation"...

Bai Xiaosheng turned around with a smile, and Xiya and the others eagerly approached, disregarding others, and greeted them with a smile first.

"Instructor Bai!"

"Instructor Lei!"

Xiya's group called out warmly.

Altogether, they hadn't been apart for long. Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying had trained them harshly in the academy, and the "residual prestige" still lingered. Monica, Zack, and the others dared not be disrespectful.

Besides, Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying had actually saved their lives, a genuine favor incomparable to any amount of money.

Therefore, that group of people had a particular respect for the two.

Hannah and the others were simply stunned.

Even Xiya and the others were like that, but it was laughable that they, just moments ago, were acting all high and mighty and were somewhat disrespectful to Bai Xiaosheng and the other two.

These people also quickly showed "sincere" smiles to Bai Xiaosheng and the others.

"Everyone, don't be so formal, come and sit, I'm already hungry, let's eat and chat," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile to Xiya and the others.

Immediately, everyone took their seats, and Xiya ordered the dishes.

Raising her wine glass, Xiya introduced Bai Xiaosheng to Hannah and the others, "This is Mr. Bai Xiaosheng, the Executive President of the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group!"

Although Bai Xiaosheng was now a Senior President level, his position was still the Executive President and simultaneously the second-in-command of the headquarters' Audit Department, and there was no need to explain it so thoroughly externally.

This was something Bai Xiaosheng had also mentioned to Xiya.

Of course, the identity of the Executive President of the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group was already enough to make Hannah and the others gasp.

They were well aware of what kind of existence the Zhenbei Group was, and thinking of Miss Caroline here, slightly lowering her status, equates to the value of Mr. Bai Xiaosheng!

This person is so young and already sits in this position, so his background and personal capability can be described as terrifying!

Moreover, Hannah and the others had also heard of Bai Xiaosheng's name!

After all, the commercial reform initiated by Bai Xiaosheng across the ocean and the subsequent cross-continental commercial cooperation were extensively reported here!

Upon knowing it was him, the fire within everyone was ignited.

They understood why Bai Xiaosheng had such a significant presence at the opening and could help each family secure a large business deal!

Working with him would undoubtedly be the greatest opportunity ever, bringing an entirely new future development to the family!

Everyone was ecstatic yet excited, and also relieved, for not making the same mistake as Jack.

"My family recently encountered a business crisis, as many of you have heard, and many present offered timely help, for which I thank you all. Yet, no amount of aid could extricate my family from the mire. This Mr. Bai, who was also the instructor for the six of us at the South American Academy, upon knowing, graciously lent a helping hand, completely reversing the situation in just two days and providing new developments!"

Xiya gratefully raised her wine glass and said to Bai Xiaosheng, "For this cup of wine, I thank you!"

Bai Xiaosheng's loyalty and righteousness made Monica, Zack, and the others look on with respect.

His influence gave Hannah and the others a more profound understanding.

Bai Xiaosheng cheerfully stood up and clinked glasses with Xiya, smiling, "We're like family; there's no need for formalities."

Bai Xiaosheng then scanned the crowd, smiling, "Actually, this time, my original intention was to conduct a business cooperation with these familiar people with whom I have ties, as an extension of our camaraderie from South America."

"Your participation here was unexpected for me, but I appreciate everyone for giving me face. Just now, securing a business deal for each of your families was intended as a token of our first meeting."

"As for whether to cooperate with me or not, it's entirely up to you. I just mentioned I hope for significant cooperation, without imposing."

Bai Xiaosheng then half-jokingly, half-seriously said, "Of course, we also genuinely don't accept additional investments because in a few days, I might leave North America. After all, there are many business matters to attend to."

Upon hearing this, Hannah and the others felt a heat within their hearts.

Hannah was the first to stand up earnestly, saying to Bai Xiaosheng, "I sincerely want to seize this opportunity given by Mr. Sheng, but there aren't many decisions I can make personally. How about this? If I may, I'd like to make a quick phone call to consult. It will just take five minutes, please!"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and nodded, "Of course, Miss Hannah, go ahead!"

Upon seeing his response, Hannah beamed a warm smile and didn't delay any further, swiftly heading out the door.

Opportunities only come once; they must be seized. Hannah decided she absolutely needed to obtain significant authorization directly from the family's patriarch!

Following her lead, the remaining seven could no longer sit still and voiced their intentions one after the other.

"Mr. Bai, I would also like to make a call and consult!"

"Me too, I didn't expect it to be you, so I don't want to mess around with small business dealings!"

"I'm the same, I want to step out for a moment!"

The crowd voiced excitedly.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled at them, "Please go ahead, everyone."

With these words, those individuals left their seats, eager to run out to make calls.

In an instant, half the table was empty!

Several waitstaff carrying dishes entered, witnessing so many people leaving their seats with a menacing presence and were momentarily startled.

Just as they began serving, why were so many leaving? Could it be the food was too salty or the wine too bland today? Were these distinguished guests looking to cause a scene?

Chapter 2249 Why Don't You Think It Over Again

The appearance of Bai Xiaosheng and his words completely ignited the enthusiasm in Hannah and her people, and they eagerly rushed out to make phone calls, asking for family authorization to discuss this major business deal.

The scene of them rushing out really startled the restaurant waiters serving dishes.

The unaware ones might have thought the guests were causing trouble.

However, soon after, the waiters also noticed the excited expressions on these esteemed guests' faces, which were not the expressions of someone causing a fuss. Then they relaxed, quickly making way for these people.

Outside the door, Jack was pacing anxiously, thinking about how to get back into the banquet.

"Why are you standing here and not going inside?" Outside the door, someone from Xiya's family curiously looked at Jack and asked.

"None of your business!" Jack waved impatiently, "Get out of the way and don't bother me!"

That person immediately fell silent, obediently moved aside.

Jack's mind was in turmoil.

Because of his stupidity, he not only ruined a potential major collaboration but also offended those from Xiya.

If the family found out about this, there would be no way he'd get off easily.

So what to do now? How to go back and seize an opportunity?

Force his way back in, going back with his head held high?

Obviously, that's not feasible!

With things having reached this point, if he were to act like this, it would be like adding fuel to the fire—no matter what he said or did afterwards, things would only get worse!

Being kicked out again would mean losing face completely!

Then... should he knock on the door and apologize at the entrance?

If the others didn't accept, failing would be just as humiliating!

How could he continue in the future!

Jack pondered for a long time, thinking if worse comes to worse, he should first send messages to Xiya and Hannah to check the situation inside.

It would be best to ask them to help mediate?

As long as he could get that Huaxia person to agree to meet again, that would do.

Thinking of this, Jack took out his phone to draft a message, but before he finished, he heard a noise from not too far away.

When Jack looked up, the door had already opened, and Hannah was coming out.

Seeing this, Jack was absolutely overjoyed.

Why send a message now, when he could ask her in person and request Hannah's help!

These days, he had brought quite a bit of joy to Hannah, he believed this woman wouldn't be completely heartless.

Hopefully, Hannah had come out looking for him and had already mediated for him inside.

Thinking about this, Jack felt a bit touched, and he immediately strode forward to meet Hannah, with a big smile on his face.

"Hannah..."

But before Jack could get a single word further out, Hannah quickly took out her phone to dial, even pushing him aside, "Sorry, Jack, I'm very busy right now, please step aside. I'm busy calling home, it's important, the situation is urgent!"

While speaking, Hannah hurriedly walked away, looking around for a secluded place to speak.

Jack stood stunned for a moment, then directly chased after her, asking while hastily following, "What on earth... is going on?"

Hannah eyed him with a complicated look, her gaze showed regret and disappointment, and her tone even had a trace of pity, "I'm rushing for authorization, preparing to sign a major contract, I can't chat with you right now. You, alas... it's such a pity!"

Hannah shook her head in regret and quickly walked away.

Jack stopped in his tracks, blankly watching Hannah's figure recede.

Just at that moment, noise arose behind him, causing Jack to instinctively turn around, and he found that the other people who had been invited along were rushing out, each holding a phone and making calls.

Some couldn't even wait to find a secluded spot before they began shouting into their phones directly.

"Father, let me tell you something important!"

"Grandpa, please have him pick up the phone!"

"In a meeting? You still need to have the phone delivered inside, this matter is extremely urgent!"

Each person was extraordinarily agitated, their faces were filled with excitement, appearing almost deranged.

Jack's eyes widened in astonishment.

What exactly is happening?

Have these people gone mad?

Amidst the indistinct chatter, Jack heard a lot of words like "major collaboration," "big business," "great opportunities," and suddenly realized.

The reason for this scene certainly has a huge connection to that Huaxia person inside!

Major collaboration, big business, great opportunities?

How big?

Enough to drive this group into frenzy.

What exactly happened in such a short time inside?!

Jack looked towards that entrance, his gaze confused and tormented.

It seemed that everyone was excited to the point of madness, as if they had gained tremendous opportunities.

Except for him, excluded?

Thinking of this, Jack felt no peace in his heart, like boiling water in a pot.

"No way, I can't wait any longer!" Jack thought silently as he held his phone, "I need to understand what's going on inside!"

"Since Hannah and the others can't be counted on, I'll send messages to the people from Xiya!"

At once Jack resumed editing messages to send to those inside.

Currently, Xiya and others were catching up with Bai Xiaosheng.

Everyone was chatting and laughing vibrantly.

Bai Xiaosheng expressed his desire to collaborate with various families.

Not to mention Hannah and her crew, Bai Xiaosheng had prepared meticulously for Monica and Zack.

Similarly, Bai Xiaosheng helped facilitate a major business deal for each of their respective families.

The scale of those deals far surpassed those associated with Hannah and her people.

The reason being, first, Bai Xiaosheng wished to demonstrate his closer ties with Xiya and the others, and secondly, to showcase his sincerity and capability.

Monica, Zack and others were equally thrilled, contacting their respective families on the spot.

Compared to Hannah's group, these people had long been aware of Bai Xiaosheng and his identity, having already made numerous preparations, with their family members practically waiting by their phones for this moment; all they had to do was send a message through the chat app, and the responses would swiftly come from the other side.

Chapter 2250 - How About You Consider It Again?

Faced with such major matters, the messages Jack sent were ignored by everyone, impatiently passed over, without even glancing at the content.

Outside the door, poor Jack waited and waited but received no replies, feeling like an ant on a hot stove, pacing back and forth anxiously.

At the door, the Taylor Family's doorkeeper watched Jack with genuine curiosity but dared not ask.

Unable to get a response, Jack saw people come out to make phone calls, returning one after another, each with a beaming smile, as if joyful events abounded, eager to return to that banquet hall.

"Milo, what did you guys accomplish? You're so happy!" Jack couldn't help but follow one individual, asking.

The person saw it was Jack and chuckled, saying, "Nothing much", unwilling to say more, sped up and entered the banquet hall.

Seeing this, Jack frowned and approached another person...

Like that, Jack followed people around like a beggar asking for tips, eagerly asking questions.

Unfortunately, no one stopped to say even half a sentence more.

After all his inquiries, Jack remained completely ignorant of what was happening inside the banquet hall.

Finally, Hannah, recalling their friendship, stopped for a moment and spoke rapidly to Jack.

"Jack, the person you offended is an angel sent by the gods of wealth and opportunity, capable of bringing immense fortune to our families. If possible, you must seek his forgiveness and reconciliation!"

Hannah did not clarify Sheng's identity and hurried away.

Jack stood dumbfounded, watching Hannah's departing figure, her words stirring him even more deeply.

Someone who Hannah described in such terms must be an extremely prestigious figure!

If she wouldn't even mention that person's name and identity, he must be extraordinary!

Jack watched Hannah enter, the door closing with his gaze, as if a momentous opportunity was shutting him out.

If he returned home today in this state, the Taylor Family wouldn't spare him lightly, not only missing his chance to compete for future clan leader, but possibly being ejected from the power center.

It was as if Jack foresaw his tragic future, he felt utterly distraught.

Finally, gritting his teeth and steeling himself, Jack took large strides forward and forced himself to push open that door.

Though the door was light, it felt as if it was made of iron and steel, heavy and difficult to open to Jack.

Inside the banquet hall, around the round table.

The crowd returned, chattering, laughing, and talking to Bai Xiaosheng.

"Mr. Bai, I've already made arrangements on my side, and all resources of our family are ready to collaborate with you. We don't seek much profit, just a good start with your side!"

"Us too, if necessary, we can sever existing partnerships to ensure cooperation and communication with your side!"

"My father...the clan leader of our family personally promised to oversee all collaborations with you!"

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The scene was very lively.

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying couldn't help but secretly glance at Bai Xiaosheng, praising him in their hearts.

Initially, Bai Xiaosheng asked Xiya for the list of names, and with the two of them, they investigated what partnerships each family was currently negotiating, looking for those they could intervene. Bai Xiaosheng even personally called various parties for support, which seemed too exaggerated to the duo.

Even if they offered some incentives to these people, it didn't require such grand gestures.

But now, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying were convinced.

Just now, Bai Xiaosheng casually initiated a major business deal among those families, coupled with business legends surrounding him, it was an immense psychological shock to those present, and likely shocked their backing families.

In such circumstances, how could Bai Xiaosheng not be warmly welcomed when he mentioned even larger deals awaiting collaboration?

Group emotions are a mysterious thing; once some people display impatience and eagerness, it unknowingly spurs others to do the same.

Moreover, it escalates.

Facing everyone's enthusiasm, Bai Xiaosheng smiled warmly, raised his glass, and said amiably, "If you are friends with Xiya and them, you are naturally friends of mine, Bai Xiaosheng. Since you are keen to cooperate with our Zhenbei Group in the Greater China Region, I certainly won't disappoint everyone's expectations."

"Additionally, globally, we have alliances with super families and financial conglomerates. Their business can also be introduced to you."

"Simply put, I personally welcome all of you to hop aboard our fast development train!"

Bai Xiaosheng spoke beautifully, leaving everyone feeling both honored and a bit surprised.

To Bai Xiaosheng, it takes many people to make a mighty flame, strength in numbers. His Global Business Alliance plan thrives on having many allies.

Some may believe big allies are the only true allies. Partners, at the very least, should be equals in strength, while smaller entities aren't worth collaboration.

However, as Bai Xiaosheng sees it, that's mistaken. Reasonably integrating numerous strong small partners and having them unite effectively might even surpass a powerful existence if managed well.

Everyone present was moved by Bai Xiaosheng's words and raised their glasses, gathering around him.

To them, once they collaborate with Mr. Bai, not only can they enjoy the Asian market but globally, they can have opportunities to associate with truly great families and financial groups. Who wouldn't be happy and thrilled?

It would absolutely usher their family into a brand new level of development.

Bai Xiaosheng's words were overheard by Jack as he pushed the door open.

Jack was completely shocked, staring blankly in Bai Xiaosheng's direction.