

I Want a Lifetime with You

Chapter 114

After Shi Nuan hung up, she couldn't fall back asleep. The woman took a towel out to dry Fu Chengyan's hair and asked, "Why didn't you wake me up earlier?"

She recalled how she fell asleep, even though her body was slick with sweat, and demanded, "Didn't you say you'll bring me to the bathroom to take a shower?"

"You were sleeping so soundly." Fu Chengyan's gaze softened when he reached out to hold Shi Nuan's hand. "Let me do it."

However, Shi Nuan shook her head. "I'll help you. Fu Xicheng must've gotten into trouble. He called me with another person's phone." The phone call left her feeling resigned, even until now. "I never knew he was someone like that!"

A smirk appeared on Fu Chengyan's face when he heard Shi Nuan's upset tone. "What was he like?"

"I don't want to talk about him." Shi Nuan was still annoyed. "I don't understand. He had chosen Shi Wei, but why did he continue to disturb me?"

He even told the police that I'm his girlfriend! What would others think when they hear his nonsense?

Shi Nuan bit her lips and stared at Fu Chengyan. "Did he upset you?"

"No." Fu Chengyan frowned. "He can't do that to me." He grabbed Shi Nuan's hand before patting the bed, asking her to sit down. Shi Nuan went and sat down

obediently beside Fu Chengyan. The man then cupped Shi Nuan's head and guided her to lie down on his lap before massaging her temples gently. "Did he wake you up?"

"I was really sleepy, but I can't go back to sleep now," Shi Nuan nodded wearily.

Although Fu Xicheng couldn't upset Fu Chengyan, Shi Nuan wasn't as strong as him. The phone call had appeared to affect her somehow.

With frustration pent-up inside her, Shi Nuan sighed and closed her eyes to relax her tense body under Fu Chengyan's calming massage. Soon after, her frustration gradually subsided, and the man's low and calming voice rang above her, "Don't bother about what he thinks. If you don't want him to contact you again, just change your phone number. You won't be going back to Fucheng again anyway."

Shi Nuan pondered for a while and said, "I guess that's the only way." Then, she clenched her teeth, "Argh, how annoying!"

"You don't have to be annoyed," Fu Chengyan wasn't even bothered. "Don't worry. After what happened today, he wouldn't even bother you again."

"Why?" Shi Nuan was confused. She opened her eyes and met Fu Chengyan's sparkling gaze. Then, she asked curiously, "Why are you so sure of that?"

Fu Chengyan smirked. "Make a guess?"

Shi Nuan thought about it but ended up shaking her head. "I don't know."

Then, Fu Chengyan beckoned her with his finger cheekily. Shi Nuan climbed up and brushed a kiss across his lips. "Can you tell me now?"

"He won't have time to bother you anymore." Fu Chengyan replied before pushing Shi Nuan back onto his lap. "Fu Yuqing must be punishing Fu Xicheng now. I know Fu Yuqing well. He won't let Fu Xicheng do whatever he wants. As

long as Shi Wei has Huancheng's shares, and continues being favored by the Shi family, Fu Yuqing will make sure Fu Xicheng marries Shi Wei."

Shi Nuan opened her eyes at once in realization. "Yes, that sounds like what Fu Yuqing will do!" Back then, he didn't force Fu Xicheng to break up with her because he thought she was favored in her family. But after the man found out her family didn't favor her, he sent her away so Fu Xicheng would end up with Shi Wei.

Fu Yuqing was, indeed, cunning as a fox. He had planned this for ages, so he wouldn't let his plan fail at the very last minute.

Fu Chengyan smirked. "So, Fu Yuqing is currently planning for Fu Xicheng to marry Shi Wei as soon as possible. It was only natural that Fu Yuqing had coerced them into tying the knot." Fu Chengyan patted Shi Nuan's hand. "Fu Xicheng has the experience, but he isn't bold enough to go against Fu Yuqing. So he'll end up marrying Shi Wei."

"You've thought of everything." Shi Nuan sighed. She was already exhausted when she heard him explaining the schemes.

Fu Chengyan noticed her frustration, so he held her hand, leaned down, and pressed his forehead to hers. "We can't stop others from doing what they like. But we can at least follow our own paths, right?"

Shi Nuan smiled and nodded. "Okay, I got it. Don't worry. Since I've cut off ties with them, I know what to do. They won't be able to bully me ever again."

I was too weak back then. I didn't ask for anything, so they thought I was an easy target. But they must've forgotten that I didn't fight back because they used to care for me. Since they have stopped caring for me and even sold me out, I won't be a fool and let them hurt me again.

"It's late. Let's go to bed!" Fu Chengyan kissed the corner of Shi Nuan's lips and pulled her onto the bed. "Goodnight!"

“Goodnight.” Shi Nuan took Fu Chengyan’s hand and snuggled into his embrace.

Shi Wei ended up finding out about what Fu Xicheng did that night. The next day, she smashed all the vases in her house in a fit of anger. But before she could leave to settle the score with Shi Nuan, Jiang Yu stopped her. “Why are you acting recklessly?”

“But mom, you heard it too. Fu Xicheng went to Shi Nuan, he...”

“So what if he did?” Jiang Yu scoffed. “Do you think that whore will marry Fu Xicheng? Fu Yuqing and Liu Minjun won’t say yes to that. Don’t worry. I’ve asked your future mother-in-law out for tea. We’ll talk about your wedding today.”

“Really?” Shi Wei’s eyes sparkled with delight and held her mother’s hands, “What did she say? Did she say yes?”

“Of course. Yesterday, it was obvious that she wanted you to get married to Fu Xicheng as soon as possible.”

Jiang Yu was confident about it. “Come, help me pick out an outfit to meet your future mother-in-law.”

“Mom!” Shi Nuan tugged at Jiang Yu’s sleeves shyly. “We’re not married yet.”

“It’s going to happen sooner or later. Come, let’s go together.” Jiang Yu glanced at Shi Wei. “My Wei is so pretty! No man would say no to you.”

Jiang Yu and Liu Minjun had agreed to meet at Ruyi Tea House. Even though Jiang Yu was just an ordinary woman, she knew that the rich had their own rules. Her father, Jiang Shizheng, was a university lecturer, so she was from a scholarly family. The woman put up a front, pretending to be a picky rich lady. Hence, the meeting place she chose to have tea was somewhere that had a hint of sophistication and grace.

Liu Minjun, on the other hand, was a typical house maker. When she was young, she was also a socialite from a prestigious family with experience in tea ceremonies. Since Jiang Yu suggested this meeting place, Liu Minjun thought highly of her.

The two ladies were absolutely delighted to meet each other. When Liu Minjun noticed Shi Wei's ladylike outfit and recalled what her son did last night, she instantly felt guilty. Shi Wei had held herself in such poise and elegance that Liu Minjun was very pleased with her. The dissatisfaction she had earlier for Shi Wei had disappeared without a trace.

After a while, the two ladies were satisfied with the arrangement. Hence, they immediately picked out a date for the wedding, with Liu Minjun suggesting, "Let's make it on the third next month since it's an auspicious day."

The third day of the next month is only around forty days away. Jiang Yu calculated silently in her heart and agreed readily. "The third it is."

"Absolutely. I think we should be the ones planning for the wedding. What do you think, Jiang Yu?" Liu Minjun thought that her son might still be upset over this, so he naturally shouldn't be in charge of the plans. Shi Wei, on the other hand, was busy with her shoots. Hence, she was planning on taking this up together with Jiang Yu.

Jiang Yu nodded at once. "That was what I thought, too. The children are busy, so we should plan the wedding for them."

With that, the ladies finally ended their meeting. After they left Ruyi Tea House, Su Yian pushed the door to another VIP room open. Shi Nuan appeared to be preparing tea, but the past year's bookkeeping ledgers were right by her side. She flipped through it and handed it to Su Yian. "Seeing this gives me a headache. I think you should just give me my part. I'm lazy to go through this."

“Of course not.” Su Yian picked up the ledger. “We’re in this together. Even if you don’t care, you should go over it once.” Su Yian took a seat and glanced at her before asking, “Guess who I saw earlier?”

Shi Nuan poured her a cup of tea and arched her brows. “Who else? A high-ranking official or a poor scholar?”

“Nope.” Su Yian shook her head before sniffing at the cup of tea. “I think your skills are better than the girls here.” Su Yian took a sip before continuing, “I saw your mom, Shi Wei, and Fu Xicheng’s mom!”

Shi Nuan’s brows arched as her hand that was holding the teacup froze midair. “They came to your teahouse?” Shi Nuan was surprised. “Why were they here?”

“I was curious too, so I made an exception and eavesdropped on them.” There was a smug look on Su Yian’s face. “They were talking about Shi Wei and Fu Xicheng’s wedding!”

After hearing what Su Yian said, Shi Nuan froze in shock. Su Yian, however, looked at Shi Nuan oddly and immediately frowned. “Don’t tell me you’re still hung up on that Fu Xicheng?”

“Nonsense!” Shi Nuan gave a tinkling laugh and shot a look at Su Yian. “Do you think I’m that kind of person?” she said before sighing. “I’ve made a clean cut from Fu Xicheng.” She was merely surprised at Fu Chengyan’s intelligence.

Last night, Fu Chengyan had told her that the Fu and Shi family were eager to form an alliance through marriage and that they had been busy planning for Fu Xicheng and Shi Wei’s wedding. His prediction came true today.

Shi Wei told Su Yian about the prediction last night, and her friend was astounded too. “Wow, that’s amazing! How did your husband know?” Su Yian asked, but nodded almost instantly. “Actually, it makes sense. Fu Xicheng got engaged to Shi Wei for the Shi family’s wealth. Both families are thinking of

benefiting from this marriage, and Shi Wei thinks of you as a threat. That's why they were so quick to act."