

I Want a Lifetime with You

Chapter 108

After what happened in Fucheng, Shi Nuan had stopped going to work altogether. She knew that Fucheng was just waiting for her to resign. But she wasn't prepared to leave, so she remained at the Wutong Residence for now.

Earlier on, Fu Chengyan had instructed Zhou Zheng to show Xinhuang's previous operations to Shi Nuan. Since Shi Nuan had no experience working in the entertainment industry, she knew nothing about their operations. However, she was now one of Xinhuang's shareholders, so she still had to know some details.

For the past few days, Shi Nuan busied herself with reading documents and files about Xinhuang to familiarize herself with the artists under them and all their current projects.

Previously, Zhou Zheng was the one who dealt with everything. Once in a while, he would only show Fu Chengyan some documents. All this while, Fu Chengyan had trusted Zhou Zheng so much that he never even asked him about the details.

But recently, Zhou Zheng had to report Xinhuang's daily events to Fu Chengyan. To be frank, he had actually been reporting to Shi Nuan rather than Fu Chengyan.

It was fortunate that Shi Nuan was smart, as Zhou Zheng could effortlessly explain everything to her. Fu Chengyan had a keen eye indeed. Shi Nuan was capable because she could make business decisions well compared to that foolish Shi Wei.

Yet, Shi Nuan didn't think that she was capable enough. After listening to Zhou Zheng's report for a few days, she got to know a bit about the entertainment industry, though she did think that it was fairly complicated.

The day eventually came when Zhou Heng arrived with Shi Wei's contract.

Fu Chengyan was busy in his study upstairs while Shi Nuan was cooking in the kitchen. She heard the doorbell and went to open the door. It was Zhou Zheng who had a briefcase in his hand. "Hello, Mrs. Fu!"

"You can just call me Shi Nuan." It felt ridiculous whenever Zhou Zheng addressed Shi Nuan as "Mrs. Fu" in a serious tone. Although she had corrected him a few times, Zhou Zheng still insisted on addressing her as "Mrs. Fu". Shi Nuan had no choice but to let him be.

"Yan is upstairs!"

"Okay." Zhou Zheng replied and nodded before changing into house slippers.

Meanwhile, Shi Nuan turned and headed back to the kitchen.

Zhou Zheng had just changed into house slippers when the delicious smell from the kitchen assaulted his nostrils. Sighing, he had to admit Fu Chengyan's wife was indeed a priceless treasure.

Fu Chengyan, on the other hand, was in the midst of an international conference call discussing Shengyuan's collaboration with a UK company. Due to the time difference, Fu Chengyan had to call them at this hour.

When a knock sounded at his door, Fu Chengyan apologized to them before calling out, "Come in!"

Zhou Zheng came in and stood aside when he saw Fu Chengyan in the middle of a call.

Fu Chengyan tapped at the table absentmindedly as he continued talking for around half an hour. After hanging up, he raised his head to look at Zhou Zheng. “Anything?”

“Mr. Fu, this is Shi Wei’s contract.”

“She actually signed it?” Fu Chengyan raised his brows. He took the contract and swept his gaze over it. “Did she say anything?”

“She was terribly upset!” Zhou Zheng recalled Shi Wei’s reaction back then. “She signed the contract without even reading it.”

Fu Chengyan smirked as he tossed the contract aside. “I overestimated her. You can deal with the rest of it.”

“Yes, Mr. Fu!” Since Fu Chengyan had allowed him to call the shots, he had decided to let Shi Wei off for now. Just then, Zhou Zheng recalled something and told Fu Chengyan, “I saw someone today.”

“Who?” Fu Chengyan rapped his knuckles against the table.

“Shi Wei’s manager, Guan Jing.” Zhou Zheng replied, “She’s working for Xinjia and was actually dissatisfied with Shi Wei. But Shi Wei had terminated her contract with Xinjia without bringing her along.”

A smile lit up Fu Chengyan’s face as he arched his brows, gesturing for Zhou Zheng to continue. Zhou Zheng continued, “Xinjia terminated Shi Wei’s contract after finding out Xinhuang is going to sign her. But, Xinjia didn’t give Guan Jing an explanation. I was thinking, since she worked as Shi Wei’s manager, we should hire her to be Shi Wei’s manager as she knows Shi Wei well.”

“You can decide yourself for these trivial matters.”

“Okay,” Zhou Zheng replied. He knew Fu Chengyan was satisfied with his arrangements, so he said, “There’s one more thing...”

Fu Chengyan frowned and beckoned him to continue, "Go on."

"It's about the house Mrs. Fu stayed in previously." Zhou Zheng paused, "She didn't end the contract, so the landlord kept the house empty. But recently..."

Fu Chengyan's brows knitted as his face darkened.

Zhou Zheng coughed twice before continuing, "The landlord called me today and asked about Mrs. Fu. Previously, I informed the landlord to keep an eye on it, so the landlord contacted me. He told me someone was loitering outside her house."

Zhou Zheng didn't make it clear, but Fu Chengyan was smart enough to guess who the person was. "What else did the landlord say?"

"Nothing much. He asked if Mrs. Fu got into trouble. He also took a photo of that person and asked if he should call the police next time." Zhou Zheng showed Fu Chengyan the photo.

Fu Chengyan glanced at the photo and smirked, "Of course he should call the police. Strange men who loitered outside people's houses should be handed to the police. We are tax holders who pay their salary, so they should help us out!"

Although Fu Chengyan appeared calm, Zhou Zheng knew he was extremely upset.

Fu Xicheng already had Shi Wei, and he had dumped Shi Nuan for the sake of money. But it seemed like he still wouldn't give up on her. Needless to say, Zhou Zheng was disgusted by that man too.

"I've already informed the landlord." Zhou Zheng thought Fu Xicheng must have had a death wish, as he refused to leave Shi Nuan alone. "And..." Zhou Zheng wiped at the cold sweat on his brows. There were too many things to report today.

By now, Fu Chengyan was already impatient. "Can't you say it all at once!"

“Mrs. Fu’s mother, Mrs. Shi, went to her house. She left because Mrs. Fu wasn’t there. But she cursed Mrs. Fu before leaving.”

Fu Chengyan’s gaze darkened further when he heard that. “Got it.”

“So...” Zhou Zheng wasn’t sure what to do since she was Shi Nuan’s mother. Although no one would want a mother like that, she was still Shi Nuan’s birth mother, so Zhou Zheng dared not do anything to her.

“When is Fu Xicheng and Shi Wei’s wedding?” Fu Chengyan asked out of a sudden. Zhou Zheng was confused, but he replied, “Well... I don’t think Fu Xicheng ever planned to marry her.”

“Make him do so. Make sure they marry as soon as possible.” Fu Chengyan told him impatiently. Right then, someone knocked at the door. Shi Nuan pushed the door open and poked her head in. “You’re still working? Am I disturbing you?”

Zhou Zheng shook his head. “No, I’m done reporting!”

Fu Chengyan shot him a look, and he immediately zipped up his mouth and exclaimed, “Ah! I remember I need to deal with some other matters. Mr. Fu, Mrs. Fu, I have to leave now!”

“Um...” Shi Nuan was suspicious at his sudden departure. “I prepared dinner. Mr. Zhou, you can eat before leaving!”

Zhou Zheng paused, but he could immediately sense a sharp glare coming from his boss. He straightened his back and laughed foolishly, “Mrs. Fu, you’re too kind. I really need to deal with those matters. Mrs. Fu, enjoy dinner with Mr. Fu! I’ll leave now!”

Still surprised by Zhou Zheng’s sudden departure, Shi Nuan turned to Fu Chengyan while biting her lips. “Why did he leave in a hurry? Was there something urgent that he had to deal with?”

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes, stood up, and gestured for Shi Nuan to come over. Shi Nuan walked over to him and asked, "What's wrong?" When she saw the contract on the table, she raised her brows. "Is this Shi Wei's contract?"

Fu Chengyan nodded and gave her the contract. "Take a look at it."

Shi Nuan smiled and flipped the contract open. Upon reading it, she raised her head in shock, thinking she must have misread it. But by the time she had finished reading, her mouth was wide enough to stuff an egg in.

Shi Nuan touched her own face. "Did I misread it?"

"What do you think?" Fu Chengyan arched his brows while he tucked a strand of hair behind her ears before chuckling. "You didn't."

"B-But Shi Wei is a clever person. Why would she agree to the unfair terms?" Shi Nuan bit her lips in disbelief. She had always thought of Shi Wei as someone petty.

The fact that they were both sisters, Shi Nuan knew Shi Wei well. She thought Shi Wei wouldn't sign the contract after reading the unfair terms.

Fu Chengyan smirked, "It seems unfair to you, but she might not think the same way as you do." Fu Chengyan took the contract from her and held her hand before walking out of the study together. "What did you cook for dinner?"

"Some simple dishes. You've been coughing for the past few days but refused to sleep early and take medication. So I had to put some effort into my cooking." Shi Nuan replied peevishly, then suddenly realized what he was trying to do. "Don't change the topic. You said Shi Wei might not think it's unfair. Why?"

"Think about her current situation." There was a slight warmth in Fu Chengyan's eyes as he held Shi Nuan's hand while walking down the stairs. When the man saw the dishes on the table, he couldn't help but raise his brows. "Darling, our dinner is really light and healthy."

Shi Nuan arched her brows in response, “If you listened to me and take your meds as told, I wouldn’t have to resort to this!”

With a sigh, Fu Chengyan surrendered. “Should I think about what married men should pay attention to?”

“Hmm? What do you think you should pay attention to?”