

I Want a Lifetime with You

Chapter 17

In Fucheng, every Monday's morning meetings were used to summarize the past week's work. This was also Shi Nuan's first time attending the regular meeting ever since leaving Fucheng a year ago.

The company directors were surprised to see Shi Nuan. Some of them didn't know Shi Nuan had returned, while others were rather critical of her because of what had happened a few days ago.

Shi Nuan chose to ignore their glances. She walked directly towards her seat while carrying her documents, then scanned the audience. Since the chairman and general manager hadn't arrived, everyone was chatting away.

Some of the directors were older and naturally had more power than Shi Nuan, so they took advantage of these aspects and openly discussed the engagement dinner from that night.

Among them was a director who once clashed with Shi Nuan because of work and hated how strong-willed she was, so he looked forward to stirring the pot over this matter. "To think that there are those who still dare show up after bringing themselves so much humiliation."

Shi Nuan simply raised a brow at this comment. She initially decided to just ignore Chairman Li, but the man had no intentions of stopping there.

"I was even wondering how she had climbed the ranks so quickly despite barely contributing anything. Turns out it's because she's been working backstage! It's a shame there are such heartless people out there, trying to take over her own older sister's place."

“Really? That’s too immoral.”

“Exactly...”

Shi Nuan’s expression darkened. She pursed her lips, glared at Chairman Li and said scoffed, “I thought only girls would gossip, but it appears that anyone can do it regardless of gender or even age. If a child’s words mean no harm, then what about an old person’s?”

“You...” Chairman Li’s face reddened as he slammed his hands on the table. “You dare talk to me like this, Shi Nuan?”

Shi Nuan looked up to meet Chairman Li’s eyes directly, without any hint of surrender. She glared at him for a long time before finally letting out a laugh, asking, “Was I talking to you, Chairman Li?”

“You... you... Don’t think I don’t know you’re talking about me, you little brat!”

“Then I guess you’ve misunderstood me, Chairman Li. To me, you’re still so young – how could I call you old? You’d have to wait another ten, twenty years to be considered old! Was I referring to Chairman Li, everyone?”

How could anyone get mad at someone who looked so innocent? Besides, Shi Nuan had indeed never mentioned Chairman Li’s name.

If the man wanted to cause some trouble, he should have chosen a proper time and place to do so. Meanwhile, the other directors and executives chose to remain neutral amidst the tense battle between Shi Nuan and Chairman Li.

Chairman Li was so furious that he couldn’t speak. Right at that moment, the meeting room door was pushed open. Fu Yuqing walked in, followed by Fu Xicheng.

Fu Yuqing could tell something wasn't right the moment he walked in. He scanned the room and his eyes landed on Shi Nuan for a moment before averting them, as though he had not seen her.

Meanwhile, Fu Xicheng felt complicated after walking in and seeing Shi Nuan. He still vividly remembered what had happened that night. The words Shi Nuan had said to him were unbearable.

Shi Nuan quickly noticed the slight change in Fu Yuqing's attitude towards her and couldn't stop her lips from curving into a self-depreciating smile. She, too, acted like she didn't know him.

"Alright, let's begin our meeting. First of all, let's welcome Ms. Shi back! For the entire year, she was on a business trip to discuss projects on behalf of the company. Good job! Everyone, let's give her a round of applause and celebrate her triumphant return."