

# I Want a Lifetime with You

## Chapter 216

“You...you...” Shi Nuan blushed. She was lost of words, and her embarrassment intensified when Fu Chengyan remained unabashed, “You’re shameless!”

Fu Chengyan chuckled and put the file down. A tapered finger stroked his chiseled jawline as he spoke, “Am I shameless? I’m your husband and that’s a normal thing for me to say. May, we’re a married couple and it’s normal to discuss this topic. Are you feeling shy?”

Shi Nuan pursed her lips, “I never knew you were such a brazen person!” He appeared to be a stern gentleman when she first met him. Was he starting to show his true colors now that they were married?

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes but smiled regardless.

He made his way toward Shi Nuan and held her hand since she refused to come near him. He gave her hand a gentle squeeze, “Why are your hands so cold? It’s wintertime now, so you should keep yourself warm even when you’re at home!”

“Mm!” Shi Nuan obediently complied as her heart softened at his caring words, “I will.” She burrowed her hands deeper into Fu Chengyan’s warm hands, “My hands become warmer this way!”

Fu Chengyan’s eyes were filled with delight as he stroked the tip of Shi Nuan’s nose, “Are you hungry?”

Shi Nuan felt a tad hungry at an instant. She rubbed her tummy and nodded, “Yes, I’m hungry!”

“You must be hungry now since you didn’t eat much yesterday! There’s porridge in the kitchen, I’ll bring you some.” Fu Chengyan loosened his grip, but Shi Nuan grasped his hand and shook her head, “Never mind, I can get it myself. Weren’t you working just now? You better get back to your job!”

“It doesn’t matter!” Fu Chengyan caressed Shi Nuan’s face, “You’re much more important than my work. I’ll eat with you!”

“Oh, have you not eaten yet?” Shi Nuan exclaimed in surprise, “It’s rather late now, you should have eaten earlier!” Shi Nuan scolded, “You shouldn’t starve yourself. Next time, you should eat first if I haven’t wake up.”

“Okay!”

“Then let’s go and eat now!”

Shi Nuan held Fu Chengyan’s hand and admonished, “Yan, you should take good care of your body.”

Fu Chengyan curled his lips with his eyes fixated on Shi Nuan.

Both of them had their meals in the dining room; not only had Fu Chengyan prepared porridge, but he made steamed buns as well. Shi Nuan was astonished when she noticed that steamed buns had been shaped into different animals. The buns were a bit misshapen, but Shi Nuan found it all the more endearing.

Shi Nuan beamed and raised her brow in surprise, “Yan, did you make these all by yourself?”

Fu Chengyan cast his eyes downward, “No!”

“Hey, don’t you lie to me! This must be your handiwork! They wouldn’t be that ugly if you bought them from the stalls.” She bet no one would spend money on such ugly steamed buns.

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes as he glared at Shi Nuan. "Ugly?" He forced the word through gritted teeth.

Shi Nuan was picking up a steamed bun when she froze at Fu Chengyan's words, "Haha...I think they look pretty nice. Yan, your steamed buns definitely look better than those from the stalls! Those do not stand a chance against this masterpiece!"

Fu Chengyan was at a loss for words so he shook his head, "Let's dig in!"

"Mm!" Shi Nuan was wide-eyed as soon as she took her first bite of the bun, "Yan, it's delicious!"

A few days ago, she had mentioned her craving for animal-shaped steamed buns in passing. It would be tiring to queue for steamed buns since she needed to wake up early for work. Shi Nuan never expected Fu Chengyan to remember what she said. She was touched that he made the buns for her.

"Thank you, Yan!"

"Did I keep you sweet with one single meal?" Fu Chengyan raised his brow.

He was enjoying his porridge; his innate nobility and temperament was hard to ignore even though he was just having simple, homely food.

Shi Nuan was clumsy and graceless in comparison. Shi Nuan was almost starved to death. She hadn't eaten anything before going out last night and had consumed alcohol after that. In the middle of the night, she was drained of all energy from their love-making. She was so exhausted that she couldn't manage to drag herself out of bed, or else she would have had her breakfast earlier.

"Oh! Yan, are you going out today?"

"I guess not." Fu Chengyan was done with his meal, "Do you want to go out?"

Shi Nuan shook her head, “No, I’m tired!” She was worn out, and her body was reluctant to move.

Fu Chengyan smiled, “Are you full?”

Shi Nuan nodded, “Yes, I’m full.” She already ate three steamed buns and two bowls of porridge. She would be on the road to obesity if she still had room for more.

Fu Chengyan got up to clean the table after their meal and pointed at the backyard, “You should take a walk in the garden after your meal. It can help with digestion.”

“Let me help you to clean up!” Shi Nuan offered her help, but Fu Chengyan stopped her, “What if you injure your hand? Go take a walk. I’ll be right there after I’m done cleaning up.”

“Alright then!” Shi Nuan nudged Fu Chengyan’s arm, “Yan, you’re so nice to me!”

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes and flicked her forehead with his finger, “Move your ass, hurry!”

Shi Nuan made her way to the back garden as instructed. To tell the truth, she had an upset stomach because she had eaten too much just now. Initially, she thought of consuming a digestive enzymes, but she remembered that Fu Chengyan had reminded her to avoid taking tablets. Therefore, she listened to him and settled for a stroll in the garden.

Fu Chengyan quickly finished doing the dishes and looked out the window.

The earth had settled down in dormancy in the dead of winter. Shi Nuan radiated vitality as the sun’s rays showered on her.

Shi Nuan turned around and found Fu Chengyan standing by the window. She waved at him, “Yan, the sun is out and it’s warm out here! Come and join me!”

“Ok!” Fu Chengyan was about to go out but his handphone rang, “Wait for a while, I need to answer a call!” Fu Chengyan tapped on the screen and realized that it was a call from Pei Jingxiu, “Hey, Pei Jingxiu!”

“Are you free?” Pei Jingxiu’s deep voice was heard from the phone. Fu Chengyan shoved a hand in his pocket while observing Shi Nuan. She got bored with pacing in the garden and was now wielding a stick, as if she was writing invisible words in the air.

Fu Chengyan’s eyes darkened, “Mm, what’s up?”

“I’ve brought someone to meet aunt.” The ‘aunt’ Pei Jingxiu referred to was Ning Xin — Fu Heng’s wife and Fu Chengyan’s aunt as well.

Fu Chengyan furrowed his brow. “Aunt Ning is not feeling well recently, so uncle won’t allow her to go out,” Fu Chengyan said, “If you don’t have a solid reason, I think uncle wouldn’t permit you to meet Aunt Ning.”

“I do have a good reason,” Pei Jingxiu said, “I won’t bother you if it’s not important.”

Fu Chengyan remained silent for a while and said, “I’ll ask Aunt Ning.” He tittered and shook his head in amusement when he saw Shi Nuan making funny faces at him. “Who are you bringing along?”

“Don’t worry, it won’t affect aunt’s health,” Pei Jingxiu promised, “I believe aunt will be more than willing to meet her.”

“Fine, I’ll ask Aunt Ning first!”

Fu Chengyan ended the call; Shi Nuan noticed that his face was grave, so she entered and asked, “What’s wrong? Is something troubling you? Is it about the company?”

“It’s nothing, don’t worry!” Fu Chengyan patted Shi Nuan’s head. “It was a call from Pei Jingxiu.”

“What happened to Pei Jingxiu?” Shi Nuan raised her brow. “He was fine yesterday night, wasn’t he?”

“He’s fine, but he wishes to meet someone.” Fu Chengyan led Shi Nuan into the living room as he spoke, “Do you feel better right now?”

Shi Nuan raised her brow with a smile on her face. “How do you know I was feeling uncomfortable just now?”

“I noticed that you ate a lot in one sitting. You usually have a stomach of a tiny bird, so the large amount of food must be a burden to your stomach.” Fu Chengyan stroked Shi Nuan’s nose affectionately. “You shouldn’t binge-eat again.”

“I know, it’s just that the meal you prepared was too delicious,” Shi Nuan mumbled before saying, “Don’t you change the topic! You said Pei Jingxiu wants to meet a person – who’s that? Is that person related to you? You seem to be in a bad mood. Are you stumped by his request?”

“No, not really.” Fu Chengyan shook his head and handed a document to Shi Nuan, “Take a look at this while I make a phone call.”

“Mm.” Shi Nuan knew that there must be something troubling him, but she didn’t prod him on since Fu Chengyan said he could handle it.

Fu Chengyan dialed Ning Xin’s number, “Aunt Ning, it’s me, Yan!”

“Yan? Why are you suddenly calling me?” Ning Xin was surprised to receive a call from Fu Chengyan. Although Fu Chengyan was brought up by her and he treated her like his own mother, Song Zhenyan was back, and Fu Chengyan was a grown-up now. “Is there anything I can help you with?”

“Aunt Ning, how’s your health lately?” Fu Chengyan asked and said hesitantly, “It’s been a long time since we last met, I wish to meet you.”

Ning Xin paused; she peered up and smiled at Fu Heng, who was flanking her, “I have a lot of time to spare, but is there something going on?”

“I was hoping you could come over to my place.” Fu Chengyan paused for a while before continuing, “And there’s someone I want to introduce to you.”

“Introduce to me?” Ning Xin smiled, “Must I go to your place? Looks like it’s someone important to Yan. Fine, I’ll go since I’m bored at home. Should I go today?”

“Yes, I’ll send someone to fetch you in the afternoon.” Fu Chengyan smiled, “Aunt Ning, since you haven’t seen me in a while, we should have dinner together!”

“Alright.” Ning Xin ended the call and turned toward Fu Heng, “Yan called to ask me to visit his place. He said there’s someone I should meet.” Ning Xin caressed Fu Heng’s furrowed brows, “Heng, you need not worry about me. I have lived long enough and it’s my fate if I can’t make it. I feel depressed staying at home all day.”

Fu Heng’s eyes darkened, but he agreed anyway. “You may go if you wish to! But why is he meeting you privately?”

“I’m not sure, but we’ll find out when we get there. Maybe Yan found a girlfriend and wants me to meet her?”