

I Want a Lifetime with You

Chapter 45

Three days passed in a flash. Shi Nuan had packed up her stuff and was waiting for Fu Chengyan to come pick her up. In the past three days, many things had happened. One of them was that the Yun family had found out that Yun Shen got hurt and demanded to stop collaborating with the Shi family.

Shi Jingzheng panicked because of that. The man had to go to the hospital to apologize to Yun Shen and take the initiative to call Shi Nuan too. But Shi Nuan wasn't a fool and refused to apologize. Shi Jingzheng blamed her saying that if the Yun family took revenge on his company, it would all be Shi Nuan's fault.

Shi Nuan almost laughed in exasperation at the absurdity of his words. That was the first time she had ever heard something so ridiculous from her father. Suddenly, she realized sadly that she didn't know her own father at all.

Shi Jingzheng asked her to apologize and also told her to seduce Yun Shen so his family would let the matter slip. If she could get Yun Shen to marry her, that would be great. The Shi family would get the Yun family's support in addition to the Fu family's support. That way, the Shi Family would be able to advance further.

When Shi Nuan heard how deluded he was, she immediately hung up on Shi Jingzheng and blocked his number.

Shi Nuan wouldn't sell herself out for the Shi family's interest. She wasn't even a stakeholder of the company. When her grandfather wanted to give her 5% of his share in Huancheng as her eighteenth birthday present, the whole Shi family jumped out to stop him. Their reasoned that she was still young and not born for business.

But previously, when Shi Wei turned eighteen, she received 10% of Huancheng's share as her birthday present. Shi Nuan remembered none of the members were against this, but she evidently did not receive the same treatment.

What could Shi Nuan say? Nothing at all.

Even if she wasn't interested in the company, they were both born to the same parents. She didn't understand why Shi Wei received preferential treatment. She only wanted them to treat her fairly!

When Fu Chengyan arrived downstairs, he made a call to Shi Nuan. She picked up instinctively. "Hello, who is this?"

Fu Chengyan narrowed his eyes dangerously. "You didn't save my number?"

His low voice was laced with displeasure. If Shi Nuan was beside him right now, she'd be terrified by his viciousness.

Shi Nuan swallowed before laughing awkwardly, "I forgot about it."

"Save it now!" Fu Chengyan told her, "I'm already downstairs."

"You're already here?" Shi Nuan ran to the balcony to peek downstairs. She immediately spotted his car parked at the entrance. "Ah, I'll go down now. But my stuff—"

"No need, I'll go up now!" Fu Chengyan hung up and narrowed his eyes at the man next to him. "Let's go up!"

Su Shaoqing opened his eyes and stared sleepily at Fu Chengyan. "Chengyan, how can you do this to me? Why do you ask me for help every time? You can go to Jingxiu or Heng!"

Su Shaoqing complained, "Don't you know that I worked the night shift last night? I had just finished the surgery, but you summoned me here before I could even rest!" Su Shaoqing was telling the truth. He had just left the operating theatre and still had his white coat on when Fu Chengyan told him to come over.

Fu Chengyan swept his gaze over Su Shaoqing and said, "You're the youngest among us!"

"I..." Su Shaoqing swallowed his complaints. "Fine. I'm a nice person, anyway. But Chengyan, what are you doing here?"

Fu Chengyan unbuckled his seatbelt and got out of the car. Su Shaoqing thought it wasn't fun at all and stopped with the small talk. The man also unbuckled his seatbelt.

Although he was terribly sleepy, it was rare to see Fu Chengyan personally pick up someone, and this piqued his curiosity.

It has been ages since Chengyan got himself a woman. Who is this woman who forced this disciplined man to make the first move? She must be extraordinary.

After thinking that way, Su Shaoqing felt much better. He was glad that Fu Chengyan came to him first, because that meant he was the first one to know about this woman.

Fu Chengyan couldn't be bothered about what Su Shaoqing was thinking. When he went upstairs, Shi Nuan had already opened the door. She saw Fu Chengyan coming in and told him, "I have a great deal of stuff. Can you bring all of them down alone?"

Shi Nuan pointed at the boxes in her living room. Actually, she was surprised by the amount of stuff she owned. Ever since Shi Nuan started living alone, she had bought things for herself over the years. It didn't seem that much at first, but after she packed everything up, she realized that she was quite the hoarder.

Fu Chengyan raised his brows as he studied Shi Nuan's house. It wasn't big, but it seemed cozy enough for her. The man swept his gaze over her belongings, which were piled up in the living room and he raised his brows involuntarily. "That's a lot of stuff!"

He thought she would just pack up a few outfits as he had everything she needed back at home. But since the woman packed up almost everything in this house, that meant she had thought about their relationship a lot.

Shi Nuan blushed in embarrassment. "What should we do? Actually, I don't have to bring everything along. But since I'm moving out, I'm thinking of terminating the tenancy agreement. If that happens, I won't have a place to put all my stuff."

"It's fine. You can continue renting this place," Fu Chengyan told her, "I have everything you need back home."

"Okay!" Shi Nuan nodded and started unpacking her stuff, but Fu Chengyan stopped her from doing so. "You don't have to do that."

Shi Nuan arched her brows in confusion.

Fu Chengyan turned his head to the door. "Aren't you going to come in?"

Su Shaoqing walked in reluctantly, dragging his feet. "Damn it, Chengyan. Are we even friends? I thought you brought me along for something important, but turns out it's to ask me to help you move houses? There is so much stuff, you... Hey, aren't you that..."

The truth dawned upon Su Shaoqing as he gazed at Fu Chengyan with a hint of realization in his eyes. His eyes sparkled as he smiled innocently, "I was wondering why you were being so enthusiastic!"

Shi Nuan stared suspiciously at this man who came in uninvited. He was wearing a white shirt and his hair was slightly messy. But there was a cunning look in his eyes, and his smile sent a chill down her spine.

“Hello, I’m Shi Nuan. You are?”

Su Shaoqing narrowed his eyes and smiled, showing his brilliant pearly whites. “I’m Su Shaoqing, a friend of Chengyan. You can call me Shaoqing or... Hey! Chengyan! Why did you step on me?”

Su Shaoqing yelled in pain, “I was just greeting my sister-in-law! Don’t tell me you’re jealous of this too?”

Shi Nuan blushed when Su Shaoqing addressed her as “sister-in-law”. She said, “Fu Chengyan, don’t be rude, he’s your friend after all.” Su Shaoqing must be here because Fu Chengyan had asked him to help me move out.

Since we need his help, he can’t treat him that badly. She continued, “Mr. Su, would you like a drink?”

Su Shaoqing arched his brows and shot Fu Chengyan a smug smile before replying, “Thank you, I would like—”

“He doesn’t need drink. Su Shaoqing, don’t you want to finish this up and go back to sleep?” Fu Chengyan frowned and glared warningly at Su Shaoqing.

A hint of jest flashed across Su Shaoqing’s cunning eyes. He knew his friend was upset, so he stopped teasing him. “I’m not thirsty, don’t worry. Where is the stuff that needs moving? Let me help!”

Later on, he’ll definitely complain to Jingxiu and Heng that Chengyan kept bullying him.

Since she’ll keep renting the house, Shi Nuan unpacked her stuff and returned them to their original position. She only brought along her necessities. At last, Su Shaoqing plopped himself on the sofa while panting heavily. Shi Nuan brought him a glass of water. “Thank you for your help today, Mr. Su!”

“No problem, no problem.” Su Shaoqing observed her and realized that she wasn’t as unreasonable as the rumors suggested.

He glanced at Fu Chengyan and belatedly realized that the man was glaring at him icily and gulped – Fu Chengyan was turning into a devil! “By the way, are you moving in with Chengyan?”

Shi Nuan blushed and peeked at Fu Chengyan. Fu Chengyan took the glass of water from Shi Nuan and glanced at Su Shaoqing calmly, “Do you have a problem with that?”

“No, of course not!” Su Shaoqing had finished the glass of water. He was eager to gossip but thought better of it since Fu Chengyan was glaring at him.

Shi Nuan watched their banter and was certain that they were good friends. She tugged at Fu Chengyan’s hand. “Are you hungry?”

Fu Chengyan raised his brows and glanced at Shi Nuan’s hand holding his. Shi Nuan realized what she was doing and immediately released his hand. “It’s late, so you must be hungry. I’ll cook now!”

There were still some ingredients in her refrigerator. Shi Nuan lived alone, so she had learned to cook at a young age. Since Fu Chengyan and Su Shaoqing didn’t refuse, she went to the kitchen to prepare a meal.

“Make yourselves at home while I’ll cook a few dishes. It won’t take long.”

Only after Shi Nuan went to the kitchen did Fu Chengyan tear his gaze away from her. His eyes settled on Su Shaoqing. “You can leave now!”

Su Shaoqing’s eyes widened in shock. What an ungrateful friend! He refused to leave. “Chengyan, did you hear what Shi Nuan said? She said she’s going to cook for me! This is her house, not yours. You have no right to chase me out! I won’t leave!”

Fu Chengyan arched his brows and smirked, "Well, I'm sorry to tell you that what belongs to Shi Nuan belongs to me too."

"A-Are you serious?" Su Shaoqing was taken aback. This was the first time he had ever seen Fu Chengyan so serious. "You've decided to be with Shi Nuan? And I mean marry her!"

Fu Chengyan was silent as he glanced towards the kitchen. When he saw Shi Nuan flitting around the kitchen busily, he finally thinned his lips and said, "We're already married."