

I Want a Lifetime with You

Chapter 454

Shen Shixiu brought Shen Qianan out. His cold gaze did not hold any emotion, but Shen Qianan knew he was infuriated over the fact that she had exposed the Shen family's dirty laundry in front of everyone.

Shen Qianan followed Shen Shixiu onto the car. The coldness in the former's eyes caused Shen Qianan to tremble in fear. "I-"

"Do you even know what you just did?" Shen Shixiu interrupted.

Shen Shixiu lifted his head, his chilly gaze falling on his sister. His eyes held no warmth at all. In an instant, she lost all the courage she had mustered up just to speak up. Shen Qianan bit her lip. "What does any of that have to do with you?" she asked bitterly.

"Of course it has something to do with me!" There it was, that cold gaze again. "It's no wonder you didn't want to go. Now I know that it was all because of her. It's already been twenty years since she abandoned you. Don't tell me you still want her back?"

"I don't!" Shen Qianan protested through misty eyes.

"Then tell me, what have you been doing?"

"How can that whore pretend like nothing ever happened? Why must I be the one to carry all this pain? Did she ever think of me when she was successful? No! So why should I let her off? Her fans are blind to be worshipping her like she's a goddess!"

Shen Shixiu pinched his nose bridge, exasperated. "You shouldn't concern yourself with that. You're the daughter of the Shen family and the younger sister of someone as established as I. We share the same mother, got it?"

He looked up, and upon seeing Shen Qianan's reddened eyes, he instantly turned solemn.
"Shen Qianan!"

Shen Qianan sneered. "You say I'm your younger sister, but do you really treat me as if I am? And did your mother genuinely accept me? All she did was put up a front for the sake of the family."

These were things that she had been long aware of. That was why, ever since she was young, she has wanted to escape from the Shen family – to escape from that cage.

If Shu Qing did not return, Shen Qianan would have never been reminded that she had such a heartless woman for a biological mother. Unfortunately, she did. This was what incited rage and hatred in Shen Qianan – especially when she saw Shu Qing's fake act in front of others.

"So that was how you felt, huh?"

"How could I not? Even you... I'm sure you hate me too. After all, my biological mother broke up your family, and I'm an only daughter. This made you feel like an outsider in your own family ever since you were little, right?"

Shen Shixiu narrowed his eyes. "You really think of me that way?"

"Yes!"

"Yes, you're right. Are you satisfied now?" With that, Shen Shixiu stopped talking.

The tense silence caused the already narrow room to seem as if it was closing in on itself. Shen Qianan felt like she was suffocating. She wanted to get out of the car, but she became immobilized by the look on Shen Shixiu's face. "You think I'll give up like this? I won't rest until the day that whore gets what she deserves!"

Shen Shixiu's eyes suddenly shot open. An unreadable coldness permeated from his dark eyes; they only regained their brightness after a long while. He paused for a moment. "I'll take care of it, so don't interfere!" he warned coldly.

Shen Qianan was flabbergasted. "You..."

“It’s fine if you don’t want to return to the Shen family, but don’t involve yourself with Fu Chengyan ever again, or I’ll show you what happens when you decide to go against me!”

Shen Qianan was stunned. A chill spread throughout her body, reaching her bones and halting all her movements.

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Almost as soon as Shi Nuan left, Fu Chengyan received news of Shen Qianan’s uproar from Fu Xicheng.

Fu Chengyan was on the phone with the overseas partner companies regarding the upcoming launch of the collaboration products. Zhou Zheng’s report caused him to hang up the phone and yell out, “Tell me!”

“It also seems that Mrs. Fu has met with some trouble today.” Zhou Zheng relayed what he heard from Fu Xicheng. When he was done, he saw Fu Chengyan’s eyes lose their sparkle. He added immediately, “Mr. Fu, regarding Mrs. Fu...”

Fu Chengyan raised his hand to stop his assistant. “You said that Shen Qianan went to the news conference? And Shen Shixiu went as well?”

“Yes, and Ms. Shen said in front of all the reporters that Shu Qing was her biological mother. As for Shen Shixiu, he didn’t say much, but he did say a few words before he took Ms. Shen away.” Zhou Zheng then relayed what happened with Shen Shixiu. “The reporters saw Mrs. Fu after Shen Qianan and Shu Qing left, so...”

At that, Fu Chengyan’s eyes sharpened. “What happened to her?”

“She’s having lunch now with her two friends. She seems to not have been affected.”

“You can go now.” Fu Chengyan waved his hand dismissively.

It was only after Zhou Zheng left that he allowed his frown to show.

I didn’t expect things to go down like this. Seems like I was right all along. Something is going on between Shu Qing and Shen Qianan. And between Shu Qing and May, too. Now it makes sense that Shen Qianan and Shi Nuan look so alike. It turns out that they’re sisters, and Shu

Qing is their biological mother. Shu Qing's probably just her stage name- her real name is Jiang Yuan, daughter of Jiang Shizheng.

As these thoughts ran through his head, he could not resist the urge to pinch his nose bridge. This isn't good.

It's no wonder Jiang Shizheng and Shi Yunsheng refused to tell me the truth. So Shen Qianan is the daughter of Shu Qing and Shen Feng, but what about Shi Nuan? Is she their daughter too? But why did Shu Qing leave Shen Qianan with the Shen family, but Shi Nuan with the Jiang family?

And why did Shen Shixiu come to the Shi family to become the adoptive son of Shi Yunsheng and Shi Nuan's uncle?

This is all so complicated!

Fu Chengyan pinched his nose bridge in frustration. Despite being a rather calm person, he was lost on how to make sense of this series of complicated ties.

He took a deep breath before he called Shi Nuan.

At this time, Shi Nuan was trying to comfort Song Rongrong. While the latter insisted that she was not sad anymore, Shi Nuan knew that was a lie given how the woman downed shot after shot.

Her phone rang right when she was troubled about what to do. She picked up the call as soon as she saw it was from Fu Chengyan. "Hi, Yan!"

"Yeah, it's me." Fu Chengyan assessed Shi Nuan's voice and concluded that nothing was out of the ordinary. He heaved a sigh of relief. "How's the situation at the news conference?"

"About that..." Shi Nuan could not help but dart her eyes towards Song Rongrong. "I'll tell you when I get back. Aren't you busy?"

"I'm free now." Fu Chengyan noticed the hesitation in Shi Nuan's voice. "What happened? Shouldn't you be happy that you got to see your idol?"

"Yeah, I am. Yan, I gotta go... I'm having dinner with Rongrong."

“Alright, don’t come home too late.”

“Okay!” Shi Nuan nodded. “Yan, can we go to Wutong Residence today?”

Fu Chengyan’s eyes darkened at that suggestion. “Sure.”

With that, he hung up. However, his eyes were fixed on his black phone screen, a cryptic expression on his face.

Seems like what happened really affected her. She wouldn’t have used that tone otherwise, nor would she have suggested we go back to the Wutong Residence. Wutong Residence was their home.

In reality, the events of that day affected Shi Nuan more than he had thought.

Shi Nuan’s head was currently in a mess. The more she thought about those family ties, the messier it got.

Her intuition told her that this matter, or at least the appearance of Shu Qing and Shen Qianan, had something to do with her. The words of those reporters were not necessarily groundless accusations. After all, even she would think that way if she saw Shu Qing and Shen Qianan.

However, she was not without reason. How could I possibly be related to a famous celebrity? And what’s more, there’s no way I could be related to the Shen family.

“Nuan, what’s wrong?”

Su Yian was the first person to notice that something was bothering Shi Nuan. The latter had seemed out of it ever since they got out of the news conference, and now that Su Yian saw how dazed Shi Nuan was, she could not help but worry. “Rongrong’s out of it because she’s disappointed by her idol, but what about you?”

“I…” Shi Nuan stared into Su Yian’s eyes that were filled with worry, but alas, she could not seem to get her words out.

So, Shi Nuan shook her head and forced a smile. “I’m fine!”

“How could you say that when you...” Su Yian trailed off. She then pursed her lips and did not say more.

Shi Nuan bit her lip. “About Rongrong...”

“Don’t worry, you know how she’s like. She’ll only be sad for a few days, and she’ll soon go back to being her simple-minded self.”

Upon hearing this, Shi Nuan smiled. “You’re right!” It was precisely because of this that she was envious of Song Rongrong.

Song Rongrong was hammered by the time they finished eating, so Shi Nuan and Su Yian sent her back home. Shi Nuan headed back to the Wutong Residence after.

The house was eerily quiet since she and Fu Chengyan had not been back there for quite a while. Shi Nuan felt a draft of cold air on her skin as soon as she stepped inside. She rubbed her arms. It was only until she got used to the cold that she changed into her slippers and went upstairs.

She changed the bedsheets, crawled into them, and then started to reflect on all that happened that day. However, she could not stop picturing the look Shen Shixiu had shot her before he left.

A shiver ran down her spine. She sat up abruptly. “Shen Qianan, Shu Qing, Shen Shixiu, and... me?”

She grasped the quilt. This thought frightened her, so she hurriedly got out of bed. She was about to head out when she heard the rumbling of an engine from the garage.

Her eyes brightened up. She put on her shoes and dashed outside.

When she got to the lobby, she saw Fu Chengyan taking off his shoes and hurriedly dashed towards him. “Yan!”

She leaped into Fu Chengyan’s arms and held on to his waist for dear life, melting into his embrace.

Fu Chengyan caught Shi Nuan and held her close. Sensing that her state of mind was somewhat unstable, he lightly stroked her back. "Hmm? What's up? You're acting like a spoiled child," he teased.