

Come back to me

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An Earthquake

With drowsy eyes, Nina turned around to face John. "Honey, we won't do morning exercise today."

John smiled and wrapped her in his arms. "Then sleep a little longer."

"Okay, honey." Nina said that in a monotonous tone. It seemed she expected to hear something else from John. He laughed and gently kissed her on the forehead.

They slept early last night. The sun had not yet risen when they woke up, so the both of them decided to go back to sleep before heading downstairs for breakfast.

"My final exams are coming. It will be difficult for me to go to the campus from here. I should stay there for a few days and come back after the exams, what do you think?" Nina tore a small piece of bread to eat. She glanced at John as she put it in her mouth, almost playfully.

"How many days?" John asked.

"Six. The exams will be held three days from now, and they'll last for another three days. So a total of six."

That was too long for John.

He could not stand it. He wanted to have Nina close every second of the day.

"I'll go live with you then," John said decisively.

Nina almost spat out the milk she was drinking. "Honey, it's only six days. It's not even a week. Do you really have to live in my apartment with me?"

"Is there a problem with that?" John reached out to wipe the milk f

e news due to the earthquake. People were devastated.

John did not do anything for charity, nor did he care about other people's lives at all. He only cared about people around him. However, it seemed that Nina has influenced a change in that attitude.

His drive to go to C City was to help James.

He knew how kind-hearted his wife is.

She always exerted effort to extend help to other people.

"Okay." John nodded in agreement. He admired his wife so much.

James rushed from B City to C City at an almost impossible speed.

Emma's crew did encounter an earthquake but they were shooting in a square at that time. No one from their crew was injured.

That was what they thought. No one noticed there was someone missing.

It was not until everyone was settled down in the morning that Director Xin realized that Emma was missing.

"Where's Emma? Did anyone see her?"

Almost everyone shook their head. "No, sir."

However, there was one person who did not say a word. She was a nameless actress.

With a glass of warm water clasped in her hand, she lowered her eyes and did not even dare to look at Director Xin. Her body was still trembling slightly.

Last night, she ordered Emma to buy milk tea. That was when the earthquake happened, and she did not hear from Emma since then.

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Her True Colors

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Someone noticed that there was something wrong with the actress and asked her concernedly, "Alice, are you okay? Why are you shaking so hard? Are you sick?"

"No, no." Alice held the cup tighter and forced a smile.

"I don't think you feel well. Your face looks pale. You'd better go see the doctor. I'm afraid that you can't continue to act."

"Can you leave me alone?" Alice glared at the person impatiently. The thought that something might have happened to Emma scared her. "I've told you that I'm not sick!"

Everyone appeared stern and serious. They had saved themselves, but this natural disaster still took some lives.

They witnessed a lot of people's breakdown and heartbreaks after being separated from their loved ones forever.

Everyone was praying silently.

In her outburst, Alice's scream shattered their mourning and hopeful silence.

Director Xin turned around and asked, "What's wrong?"

"Nothing." Alice flashed a flattering smile. "Thank you for your concern, Director Xin. I'm fine."

"That's good." Director Xin's eyes gleamed with worry. "Who was the last one to see Emma last night?"

He must find Emma.

Emma wa

tor Xin felt his hair turn grey all of a sudden. "I just wish there would be no aftershocks. We have to find Emma as soon as possible. I hope she's fine."

Although the earthquake struck fast, the epicenter was not in the city, so the damage was not as severe. Several buildings collapsed and some people were injured. Overall, there were a few casualties.

No matter what, there were still casualties.

Director Xin looked at the direction of Maple Road. A big crack had fissured the ground and the buildings along the road crooked and tilted.

He could only pray that they find Emma quickly. If James discovered any of this, things would get worse.

"Emma, Emma!" A voice echoed from afar, rushing steps growing louder with each second. James arrived in an innocent excitement to see the crew at the center of the square. He pulled one of them and asked, "Where's Emma? Did you see Emma? Where is she?"

The person he grabbed was none other than Alice. She was inching backwards, wanting to reduce her sense of existence from the crowd.

"Emma?" Alice was startled. Her face went pale with nervousness when she heard the name. "Who are you?"

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"I'm not an actress. I'm Emma Lin, an intern in the crew," Emma replied with a smile, looking away, waiting for the rescue.

Her phone ran out of battery. She couldn't contact anyone.

Her boyfriend would surely be worried and angry.

He would slap himself across the face every time he boiled with rage.

As long as he couldn't contact her, he wouldn't think twice of hurting himself.

"Why do you hit yourself when you're angry? You can scold me," Emma once asked him.

James glared at her and said, "What's the difference between beating you and myself? No, there is a difference. It will only hurt for a few days if I beat myself, but for a lifetime if I beat you."

Every time he said so, Emma curved her lips.

She had never met anyone who was so stupid. But this stupid man moved her deeply.

'James, I miss you,' she thought to herself.

"Emma, Emma, where are you?" There was a muffled wail. It was James. In her hopeful prayer, she heard James calling outside the ruins. He seemed to be fen

of the rocks.

He didn't care about himself. He only knew that the woman he loved was still alive, could sing, and was waiting for him.

The rescue team also rushed over to help clear away the rubbles. A group of abled survivors flurried in to join them.

Emma sang the song again and again, listening to the sound of digging outside. She felt at ease.

At last,

the stone blocking Emma and Roman was moved away, and a ray of sunshine shone on their faces.

The sudden light blinded them and prompted their hands to block the sun.

"Emma, come out. I'll carry you out." James couldn't see her clearly against the light, but it was indeed Emma.

Emma only saw a tall figure. He stretched out a pair of strong hands and hugged her.

"James," Emma murmured, tears streaming down her cheeks.

They caught each other in a reuniting embrace.

Emma was relieved she was finally again with the greatest support in her life.

He was the happiest thing that came into her life. And now, he saved her.

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Emma and Roman were safe. They weren't hurt, and the only marks on their faces and bodies were streaks of dust.

However, the rescue team still insisted for Roman to visit the hospital for a general check-up.

He bent down to thank the rescue team. He glanced at James and Emma, who were still locked in a tight embrace.

Roman and Emma only met by chance, and with it went through a life-of-death experience together. They'd go their separate ways soon; they were just passers-by in each other's life.

They didn't even try to ask for each other's numbers. They were just two boats passing the same lighthouse once, each fading away into the horizon without a trace.

Roman made his way to the hospital.

James bent down and carried Emma away.

"Why are you here?" Emma asked as she got comfortable in James' arms. With her arms around his neck, she felt warmth.

"I came because you missed me." James relaxed his pace and tried to walk as steadily as possible. He wanted to carry Emma with as much stability as he could muster.

Emma thought,

'How did he know that I missed him?

Can he read my mind?'

"You sent me two pictures, remember? One with a roadside view, and the

a. Furious, she asked, "Is he really a member of the Shi family? How could he fall in love with Emma?"

"Well, you see, Emma is a top student of L Communication University. When she was still a sophomore, she made a short film that dealt with public welfare. The film became quite popular. She's good. This is also the reason why she has the privilege of working for Director Xin as an intern." The man who answered her was one of Director Xin's long-time employees. He was known to be knowledgeable in the entertainment industry.

He looked at Alice and added, "Maybe you're not aware that she's good friends with Nina? You may not even know who Nina is."

"Well, who's she?" Alice knew nothing about Nina.

Before she got a response, a dark cloud covered the square in shade. A strong wind blew.

A helicopter circled above the place, and everyone's eyes looked up.

There was nowhere to land the helicopter, but John needed to take James and Emma up as soon as possible. So, he dropped a rope ladder.

Then, while John was still scrambling to climb down, Nina had already tied a safety rope and jumped along the rope ladder.

"Nina!" John shouted.

'She's always so reckless!'

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I Can't Afford to Offend Nina

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Anger was prominent on John's face as he sat in the helicopter.

Nina shivered as she raised her head and looked at John. "Honey, wait for me to bring them back here."

The people below saw a nimble and agile silhouette of a gallant woman. It seemed she was descending from the sky. Her roughly tied hair swayed in the wind, and her unbound strands of hair swept through her face.

When she was less than half a meter away from the ground, Nina jumped and landed gently to the ground.

She glanced at the crowd around her and spotted James and Emma. She walked toward them.

When Nina passed by Alice, she heard a man whisper, "That is Nina Lu, Mr. Shi's wife, the princess of C Island and the campus belle of L University. She's a famous painter. Her artworks cost a pretty penny.

She is one of Emma's friends. Just pray that Emma doesn't mention you, Alice, or there will be hell to pay."

The man clicked his tongue. He did not dare think about the consequences.

Nina slowed down and gave a sharp and stern glance at Alice.

When Alice heard that, her temples began to throb in pain. She raised her head and met Nina's eyes. Nina's cold gaze made Al

forward steadily. Some of the moving air went into Nina's mouth.

It made her choke.

John pulled her up and held her in his arms. "Next time, tell me what you're going to do before you do it."

It took a few seconds for Nina to recover. "I'm sorry. I won't make you worry like that again."

"Okay." John caressed her waist and let her go.

The S-76 was an all-weather, civil transportation helicopter. The cabin was spacious and comfortable. It could accommodate 12 people at most.

Emma changed into the dress Nina prepared for her. She then cleaned her face with a wet towel. She looked much better, but her fatigue was still so obvious.

She was up all night. She was sleepy.

When Emma saw John, she bowed and nodded to express her gratitude. "Uncle John..."

This was the first time that Emma had called him like that.

"Hello, Emma," John calmly greeted.

"Honey, what did you say just now?" James got excited upon hearing how Emma greeted John. He even introduced Nina to Emma without thinking. "This is Aunt Nina."

Nina slapped James' head.

'Is he crazy? He

even let one of my good friends call me Auntie?' Nina thought with fury.

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A Dog In The Manger

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Under Nina's stare, James stopped talking, turned around, and talked to Emma.

The helicopter flew back to Lexingport City and landed on the top floor of North Yard's main building.

The family doctor, who had been waiting for a long time, examined Emma from head to toe. She sustained no other injury except for a slight bruise.

Chester tugged on Nina's hand and asked, "Aunt Nina, how are the people in C City?"

Nina looked down at the child with a smile and touched his head. "I'm not sure about the details of the disaster, but your uncle has done everything he can."

Nina had always thought that Sam wanted to send Chester to college in B City in September for the future development of Shi family.

As it turned out, she was wrong.

It was Chester who wanted to take this path.

Chester looked at John and said, "Thank you, Uncle John."

"Okay. Never forget why you are doing this in the first place." This was John's only hope for Chester.

Lexingport City was a complicated place. John had seen many people who held high positions but didn't care about masses. He hoped that Chester would never be one of them.

Emma left North Yard not long

o contact my assistant for an interview."

John attached great importance to talent selection.

The boy looked stunned.

In the next moment, John strode toward Nina. Chester raised his head, and their eyes met.

"Uncle..." he murmured.

"Shh..." John placed his index finger against his lips.

Chester continued to read as if nothing had happened.

Nina was immersed in her book. She got a little distracted when another person sat down beside her, but she didn't look at the newcomer. She only reached out and pulled her books toward her section of the table to make room for the other person on their table.

John was taken aback.

Did that mean that Nina gave this seat to any random student who came over?

On the second day, when Nina arrived at the library to study, she saw a pile of professional books on management on the table. It looked like one of the seats were already occupied, but the person who brought the books was noticeably absent.

Nina told Chester, "Chester, don't be a dog in the manger like that guy. They can be pretty insufferable."

Lost in thought, Chester said nothing. 'Aunt Nina, you are talking about Uncle John!'

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She's So Smart

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When Nina and Chester walked out of the library, Michelle was standing by the door and waving at the two of them.

"Nini, here."

"Let's go, Chester. It's almost dinner time." Nina took Chester to meet Michelle and planned to go to a nearby supermarket to buy groceries.

Michelle was holding a white paper bag in her hand. When Chester approached her, she handed the bag to him and said, "Here you go, Chester."

Chester stared at the bag and made no move to take it. There was confusion mixed in with the gratitude in his eyes.

"I did nothing to merit any reward."

Michelle grinned, revealing two cute canine teeth. "You're so cute!"

"Chester, you can take the gift from Aunt Michelle." Hearing Nina's words, Chester reached out his hand to take the bag and politely bowed. "Thank you, Aunt Michelle."

There was no expression on his face—not even the usual excitement children showed when they receive gifts. Even so, Chester's disciplined demeanor made Michelle happy.

"Little Chester, you are so cute. I like you so much. Oh, and you shouldn't call me Aunt Michelle—my cousin and your brother are dating." Michelle reached out to pinch his face, but Chester didn't really like

"Okay. I'll—"

"I'll go get it," Michelle interjected and turned around to grab several packs of instant noodles.

Other people were waiting for them. Then, Nina saw a girl, a classmate of hers, who stalked toward the shelves angrily.

"Excuse me, where are the instant noodles?" she asked one of the staff with a feral grin on her face. "You know, those crispy ones that will get break if you kneel on them."

"Instant noodles? Kneel on them?" The saleswoman was confused.

The girl gritted her teeth and said, "Yes, I'm buying them for my boyfriend so that he can kneel on them. Don't worry, I won't waste food. He will have to eat all of the noodles if he breaks them while kneeling."

"Ah, come with me. I'll take you to them," said the saleswoman with a stunned look.

The girl greeted Nina with a smile and left with a whole bag of instant noodles.

Nina's eyes went wide.

"If he breaks the instant noodles while kneeling, he will have to eat them all. Thus, he has to keep some distance between the noodles and his knees. That would be very tiring." Nina's eyes lit up. "She's so smart."

Everyone else was speechless.

They suddenly had a mental image of John's future.

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Robbery

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Henry and Adrian owned a luxury apartment.

It was a quiet, low-profile place. No one would think that the president of the Song Group and the president of the Ye Group would have a residence in such an area.

Every weekend, the two of them came to stay here. They turned off their mobile phones to avoid interruptions.

They came to the apartment and began to prepare hot pot.

Chester went to get the drinks while Michelle prepared the ingredients. Nina was washing some fruits in the sink while Henry got the hot pot started.

Everyone had their own task except for Adrian who had nothing to do. He just went around and took photos and posted them in his WeChat Moments.

While Nina was washing some grapes, Adrian walked over to her and picked one from the pile she had already washed. He popped the grape into his mouth and smiled.

"Thanks, Nina," he said. Adrian felt that he had to find something to do, so he said, "I'm going to go play some music."

He then turned around and went to the living room where he turned the stereo on and connected his phone. He played some electronic dance music, the kind of music the DJ played in dance clubs. He cranked up the

t to see her and greeted John.

Chester said, "Uncle John."

Henry said, "John."

Michelle said, "Good afternoon, Uncle John. Since you're here, you can join us for some hot pot."

The two-flavor hot pot was already boiling on the table, smelling incredibly delicious.

John heard footsteps behind him and smiled. Without turning around, he knew it was his wife.

She could be a naughty little girl sometimes.

He deliberately slowed down his pace.

Nina seized the opportunity and pressed a fruit knife she was holding against his waist.

"Don't move. Put your hands in the air." Nina's voice was cold, but her eyes were wild with excitement. "This is a robbery."

With a faint smile tugging at the corner of John's mouth, he raised his hands cooperatively. "Do you want my money, or do you want my body?"

Without hesitation, Nina blurted out, "I want your body."

"Are you sure?" John turned around, bent down, and swept Nina off her feet. She was in his arms before she could protest.

"John!" She flailed around and blushed furiously. "Put me down! There are so many people here!"

She just wanted to make a joke.

Why did he take it so seriously?

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Good Sound Insulation Effect

With a playful look on her face, Michelle covered Chester's eyes.

He was too young to see or hear such mature exchanges.

"How's the sound insulation in your bedroom?" Michelle asked.

They looked at John as he carried Nina into the bedroom.

Adrian smiled, "Very, very good."

"Great. We have nothing to worry about then." Michelle breathed a sigh of relief and took her hands off Chester's eyes.

Without waiting for John and Nina to join them, they started eating. Thankfully, as they were enjoying the hot pot, they did not hear any sound coming from the bedroom.

James commented, "Adrian, why did you soundproof your bedroom?"

Henry almost choked on his food while Adrian turned his head at James. Henry raised a fist to his lips and coughed. He glanced at Adrian, telling him with his eyes not to say anything stupid.

No one knew about Henry and Adrian's relationship except for John and Nina.

Adrian understood and answered, "I'm afraid of disturbing others."

"Afraid of disturbing others? Why? That's even stranger.

What could you possibly do to disturb others?" James asked.

"Just pay more attention to your girlfriend, James," Henry interjected, trying to shift James' attention.

Emma lifted her head and smiled. "I'm fine. You guys just talk. The three of us can continue eating."

"That's right. Talk more." Michelle picked up a piece of meat with her chopsticks and tossed it into the hot pot to challenge her worth. However, Emma had been a straight-A student since she started studying. She did not have that many friends, but she did not offend anyone, so everyone could only talk about her family background.

When James came across the news articles, he was so furious. "How dare these people speak ill of my fiancée? I will destroy them," he grumbled.

Even James' mother, Angela, announced, "They can only decide whether my future daughter-in-law is worthy of my son or not when they fill my shoes. Otherwise, they should all just shut up."

Emma turned into a celebrity. Wherever she went, people followed and blessings flowed, rendering her a little dizzy and overwhelmed.

She had never been so happy in her entire life.

When the Ye family received the invitation to James and Emma's engagement party, Julie went to speak to her daughter. "This is your chance, Vivi. You haven't been able to get close to Mr. Shi. You must get close to him at the engagement party. This time, we will act according to plan, do you understand?"

"Yes, Mom," Vivian replied. "Recently, I've learned a lot about seduction and manipulation according to your requirements. I won't let you down."

"Silly girl, don't worry about letting me down. Just do your best to satisfy Mr. Shi and ensnare him. You can't disappoint him this time, do you understand?" Julie patted the back of her daughter's hand and smiled meaningfully.