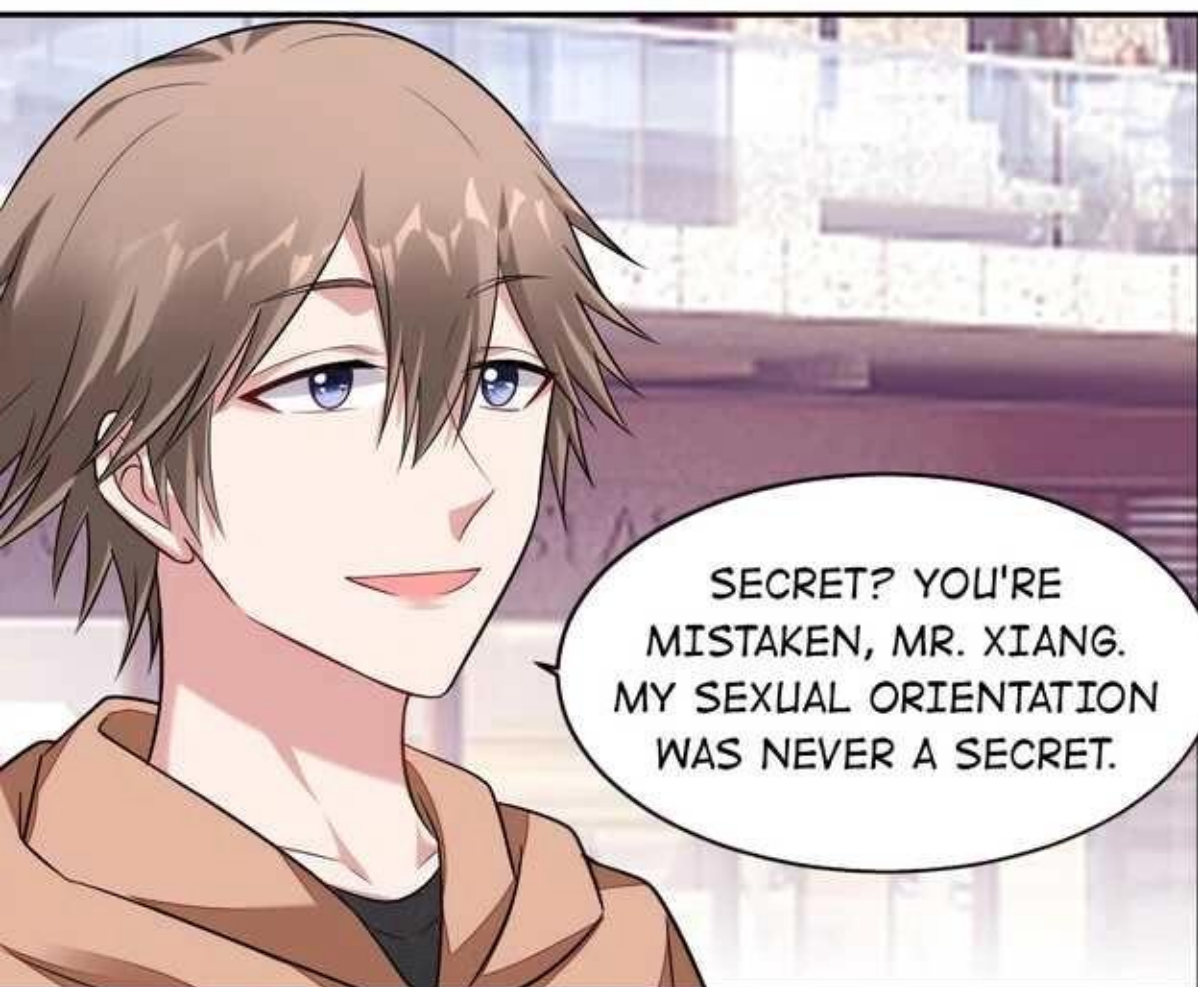






ALTHOUGH XIAOGLUAI
IS MY SON, I'M THE
SAME AS YOU.



A close-up shot of a character's chest and shoulders. The character is wearing a dark, possibly black, garment with a high collar. The skin is a light, fair tone. The background is a solid dark red color.

I'VE NEVER
COMPROMISED TO SOCIAL
NORMS AND BECOME WHAT
YOU CALL "NORMAL."

A medium shot of a young man with dark brown, slightly messy hair and striking red eyes. He has a serious, somewhat somber expression. He is wearing a white collared shirt under a dark red or maroon jacket. The background is a soft, out-of-focus blue and white light.

WAS I WRONG
ABOUT HIM?!

AS FOR WHY I'M
TRYING TO GET
CLOSE TO YOU...



IT'S BECAUSE I KNOW
THAT WE'RE THE SAME
KIND OF PEOPLE.

BUT YOUR LIFE HAS BEEN
TOO SUPPRESSING.

YOU MUST BE VERY
LONELY SINCE YOU
DELIBERATELY KEEP YOUR
DISTANCE FROM THE
PEOPLE AROUND YOU.



...WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU
WANT TO SAY?



I JUST WANT TO TELL YOU
THAT YOU CARE TOO MUCH
ABOUT YOUR "SECRET" AS WELL
AS THE OPINION OF OTHERS.

ACTUALLY, IT'S NOT
REALLY A BIG DEAL!





NOT IMPORTANT?

NOBODY HAS SAID THIS TO ME BEFORE.



THEY ONLY KNOW HOW TO SAY...

XIAOYUN, IT'S WRONG
FOR TWO BOYS TO BE
TOGETHER!

I'LL LOOK FOR YOUR
TEACHERS AND TELL THEM
THAT YOU'LL CHANGE. I'LL ASK
THEM NOT TO EXPEL YOU!

CONGYUN HAS EXCELLENT
GRADES, AND HE'S ALMOST
IN YEAR 3 SOON. ISNT
ASKING HIM TO WITHDRAW
FROM SCHOOL A BIT TOO--

IT'S USELESS NO MATTER HOW
GOOD HIS GRADES ARE! HE CAN
ONLY BLAME HIMSELF FOR BEING
GAY! THE STUDENT'S PARENTS
HAVE ALREADY COMPLAINED TO
THE SCHOOL!

OUR SCHOOL'S REPUTATION
WILL BE IN THE MUD IF WORD
OF THIS MATTER SPREADS!







XIAOYUN, I KNOW MY TIME
IS RUNNING OUT. TAKE IT
AS I'M BEGGING YOU...

BEHAVE YOURSELF, OKAY?
FIND A GIRL AND LIVE
QUIETLY AND PEACEFULLY FOR
THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.





I DON'T WANT OTHERS TO SEE
YOU AS A FREAK, NOR DO I WANT
TO WORRY ABOUT YOU EVEN
WHEN I'M IN MY AFTERLIFE!



IS THAT
REALLY POSSIBLE?

HUH?

IGNORING WHAT
OTHERS THINK.

EVEN IF I DON'T CARE,
THE PEOPLE AROUND ME
WILL BE CRITICIZED...





THEN MAKE THOSE
GOSSIPMONGERS SHUT
UP ONCE AND FOR ALL!



I DON'T CARE WHAT
OTHERS THINK IN THEIR
HEARTS, BUT IF THEY
DARE TO VERBALIZE OR
SHOW IT...







YOU'RE SURPRISINGLY
DIRECT WHEN IT
COMES TO DEALING
WITH YOUR ENEMIES.



AHHH! HE'S SMILING!
WHY IS HE SUDDENLY
SMILING?

HE LOOKS SO GOOD
WHEN HE SMILES!!



LEANS IN

?!



