Rei is always quiet and beautiful, like a single flower blooming in a huge field. It's a small flower, but the stems and leaves are strong, and the flower is nicely shaped. When you get a closer look, the flower isn't just blooming quietly. It blooms, sheds its petals, sways...all to communicate its emotions. He really is like a small, healthy flower.

That impression I got of him when I first saw his picture, and when I first met him in person, hasn't changed.

Perhaps I associate flowers with the one I love because they remind me of brides.

"What is it...? Is there something on my face?"

"Ah, no... I just thought you looked beautiful today as well."

"You always do that..."

"I'm a dummy, right?"

"Yeah, you're a dummy."

His ears turn red. As he looks away, his hair moves, and a heartwarming scent fills the air. A warm autumn sun glitters across Rei's hair, and seems to intensify the smell. It's a smell that only I can pick up on. It no longer makes me rut, but rather comforts me instead.

It's been three months since we married. The mark I made on his neck to signify that he's my mate looks a little lopsided because of my awkward teeth impression.

"It's nice to take it easy like this at the park, isn't it, Rei?"

"Yeah... I hadn't been to the park often, but... The sound of people's laughter and the swaying of the trees are comforting."

"This park's famous for its cherry blossoms during the spring."

"Is that right?"

"Yes. There's lots of room on the grass too. People bring their kids here a lot. It's a nice place. My dad used to bring me here a lot when I was a kid."

"I can easily imagine it. That's how I imagine your father to be... Like warm and friendly, I guess? This park seems like a good fit for your family."

Rei married into my family, so he's one of us now...but when I said that before he made a peculiar face, so I keep quiet this time. He can take his time getting used to my family. I want him to integrate at his own pace.

"Yes. We often flew kites or played with radio-controlled cars... It'd be nice to bring our kids here..."

I feel anxious mentioning children that we don't even have yet, but Rei squints happily at me at my mention of them. Ahh, that comforting smell has just grown stronger. Strong and kind; the smell of the person that thinks the world of me.

"Yeah... You're right. My family only let me play inside the mansion because

they thought it dangerous to play outside... But I didn't really mind because my grandmother was very involved with me. However, I can tell that kids really like it here... It's like a park I read about in a children's book."

"A children's book?"

"Yeah... Children's books often include scenes where the characters play at a park, right? I was just thinking...that this is the place they were talking about..."

"Rei, there are actually many more parks besides this one."

"Other than this one?"

"That's right! There's one that has a super long slide! And one that has a dog park, where you can see cute dogs of all kinds, and one that has a really impressive fountain..."

"Heheh, you're very knowledgeable about parks."

"No... It's not that I'm particularly knowledgeable... But if it makes you happy, I can learn more... I want to take you to other places besides parks that you've never gone to so that we can make more memories."

"I'm so happy..."

My dear bride turns red and lowers his eyes. My unique flower named Rei - no other color but his own. A small smile plays on his lips, and his long eyelashes cast a shadow on his reddened cheeks. I love him. Even if we were to have a child...I don't think my love for him would ever change. I'll probably continue to fall newly in love with him, and love him for the rest of my life.

I feel that this unique flower known as Rei will reach full blossom as we continue our journey of love together.

"Rei, no matter how many times we're reincarnated, let's always get married, okay?"

"What does that mean...? Don't talk about a world after death already - we've only just gotten married. It's bad luck."

"Even if it's bad luck... I want to marry you as many times as I can."

"Yeah... I want to...experience a lot of firsts with you as well."

"..."

"Get your mind out of the gutter, dummy!"

"S-sorry..."

"Geez... Heheh... But... That's fine."

"Yes, I'm sorry... Huh?!"

"I'm saying that we can have sex more often... That way, we can get pregnant quicker..."

"I-it's fine! Let's enjoy spending this time with just the two of us for now!"

"What, you don't want kids...?"

"Of course I do! But I want to spend more one-on-one time with you... I also want to see you become a mother... Urghhh...!"

"Heheh... Ahaha...! Geez... I never get bored of watching you... I like that part of you as well. Hey, can we do it tonight...?" Rei says this with a mischievous smile. I nod vigorously as my face quickly reddens.

He smiles like a flower in bloom, his kind demeanor reminding me of soft spring petals... He sometimes shows his thorns, but...I know that my beloved bride will continue to stay by my side. No, I'll need to work hard so that he never leaves my side.

"I'll try so hard that we'll be able to make our own baseball team!"

"You don't have to try that hard... Dummy..."

"But that's how strong my feelings are...!"

"Heheh... Alright. Then..."

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