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**Introduction**

"Whispered Secrets of the Jade Physician" delves into the heart-wrenching journey of Wu Jian, a renowned healer yearning for the affection of his devoted disciple, Li Mingyi. As their relationship unfolds amidst a backdrop of ancient customs and societal expectations, Wu Jian must navigate the delicate balance between professional duty and personal desires. This captivating novel takes readers on an emotional rollercoaster, exploring the complexities of love, loyalty, and the sacrifices one must make in the pursuit of true happiness. Prepare to be swept away by a tale of passion, longing, and the boundless depths of the human heart.

*When will the bright moon appear? With a cup of wine, I ask the blue sky.  
I know not in which heavenly palace, tonight is of what year.*

*I long to ride the wind and return, but I fear the jade palaces and ivory towers are too cold.*

*So I rise and dance with my own shadow, how could it compare to being in the mortal world?*

*Turning the crimson hall, leaning on the embroidered screen, the reflection accompanies my sleepless night.*

*There should be no resentment, why does the full moon turn to a crescent when we part?*

*People experience joy and sorrow, parting and reunions, and the moon waxes and wanes,*

*These things have been so since ancient times, impossible to be complete.  
I only wish people could live long, and share the beauty of the moon even if we are thousands of miles apart.*

*POEM ABOUT UNREQUITED LOVE BY LI BAI,  
A RENOWNED POET FROM THE TANG DYNASTY*

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**Zihua / Li Mingyi** - Wu Jian's dedicated disciple.

**Lin Xia** - a jealous girl from Qingmei, who holds unrequited love towards Wu Jian.

**Li Cheng** - Li Mingyi's older brother.

**Li Xuan** - Li Mingyi's younger brother.

**Lady Li** - Li Mingyi's mother, an elegant and influential woman.

**Li Guang** - Li Mingyi's father.

**Zhang Xiangyu** - Li Mingyi's suitor from a noble family.

**Zhang Shuren** - Zhang Xiangyu's father, a respected general.

**Liang Xue** - a girl in love with Zhang Xiangyu.

**Cheng Ming** - a merchant, Wu Jian's friend.

The sun cast its golden rays upon the sprawling village of Qingmei, nestled in the lush valleys of ancient China. Amidst the bustling streets, a figure emerged, captivating the attention of onlookers with an air of mystery and purpose. Wu Jian, the village's revered physician, walked with measured steps, his presence commanding respect and admiration.

Tall and lean, Wu Jian possessed an aura that drew others towards him, their eyes entranced by the enigmatic depths of his piercing gaze. Clad in flowing robes of indigo silk, his attire mirrored the serene elegance of the surrounding landscapes.

Wu Jian's reputation as a healer extended far beyond Qingmei's borders. His knowledge of medicinal herbs and ancient healing techniques surpassed that of his peers, earning him the title of the "Jade Physician." From common ailments to life-threatening diseases, he possessed the power to alleviate suffering and restore hope where it seemed lost.

As he navigated the streets, a soft smile played upon Wu Jian's lips, born of the genuine satisfaction that came from his life's purpose: the alleviation of human suffering. The villagers regarded him as a guardian, an embodiment of their hopes and dreams. They sought solace in his words, in the gentle touch of his healing hands.

Yet, behind the compassionate façade, Wu Jian carried the weight of his own personal battles. His eyes bore witness to the fragility of life, and within the depths of his heart, a longing stirred. For all his wisdom and expertise, he remained haunted by a profound loneliness that lingered like a shadow, reminding him of the sacrifices he had made for his craft.

As the sun began its descent, casting an amber glow over the village, Wu Jian knew that his destiny beckoned him beyond the borders of Qingmei. Little did he anticipate that his path would soon intersect with another, a woman whose presence would ignite a flame within him, both captivating and perilous.

As the moon cast its silvery glow over the village of Qingmei, Wu Jian, the Jade Physician, found himself consumed by a restless anticipation. The upcoming dawn held the promise of a new day, and he knew it was time to replenish his medicinal supplies with the treasures of the forest.

With the first light of dawn, Wu Jian rose from his humble bed, his mind already buzzing with the tasks that lay ahead. The morning mist enveloped the village, painting an