

Apocalypse 511

Chapter 511: Be a chess player

Ye Zhongming looked at the cold face opposite him and the confused Shengyuan and felt like he was in his previous life.

In his last life, the three of them often sat together like this and talked to one another like ordinary people. But in a blink of an eye, he had died and revived here. He also found the younger versions of those two.

Little Peng was also Ye Zhongming's ally. Like Shengyuan, they were in the same squad and lived together. They saved each other's lives many times.

But the three of them sat here as strangers. Little Peng was wary and looked at him like he wasn't a good person.

"You need Purple Ink Urchin?"

Ye Zhongming placed one on the table. This material that could make battle pets stronger lit Little Peng's eyes up.

He wouldn't have followed him to this bar if Little Peng hadn't seen him when he entered the city. The safety of the city was relative. This was the apocalypse, and there wasn't any safety. So many corpses were transported out from the city every day, and they all knew how those people died.

"How much?"

Ye Zhongming looked at the polite expression on his brother's face from his last life and smiled, "Free."

En?

Little Peng wasn't excited or happy; he was very wary.

Ye Zhongming realized it and changed his words, "But I need you to do some things for me."

Little Peng relaxed when he heard him say, "Tell me about it; I might not be able to do it."

He didn't understand Ye Zhongming but knew that the things that an expert who could lead 20 thousand wanted him to do might not be something he could accomplish.

"En, it isn't too difficult. You know that I come from outside. I can buy some random items, but it isn't appropriate for me to buy in bulk. So I need you to purchase some materials for me. When needed, you also need to help me sell some items. Are you able to do it?"

"Just that?"

Little Peng looked at Ye Zhongming in disbelief.

Ye Zhongming's task wasn't too difficult, and it was too easy. As long as one wasn't a fool, they could do it. Why did he choose him?

"Are there any specific requirements?"

“I will give you a list of what I need, and you can just follow it. Right, move your battle squad to the city; that would make things easier. This is a sum for your relocation. Once it is done, someone from my side will contact you.”

He stood up after tossing a bag of crystals. The core members around him protected him in the center.

“Why me?”

Seeing that Ye Zhongming was about to leave the room, Little Peng couldn't help but ask.

“I feel comfortable.”

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“The last beast wave was ten days ago, and the scale wasn't huge, around 20 thousand of them. In the recent two months, the beast wave has been getting more frequent, and it is rare for there to be a ten-day break between waves. Based on their experience, the next wave would be a mid-tier one.”

“How many monsters are there in a mid-tier wave?”

After saying goodbye to Little Peng, Ah Yang walked over and started to report to Ye Zhongming about the information he received.

“Around 50 thousand. The large-scale wave would be more than a hundred thousand and has only happened once. The city nearly fell, but for some reason, the wave retreated.”

Ye Zhongming looked at the two stalls beside him and said nothing.

Ah Yang continued, “Many reinforcements came but didn't work together. Our faction is the biggest one, but after knowing that we were coming, the leaders of the other reinforcements met more often. They probably want to join hands and ask the alliance for conditions. Their movement has been obvious, and they didn't hide it.”

“I haven't found the exact number of soldiers that Cloud Port Alliance has, but the five factions under the leaders should have over 40 thousand members. The deviation shouldn't be more than three thousand. I am also not sure of any hidden factions.”

Ah Yang was smart and was able to win trust. He was one of the new Cloud Peak members, so not many people knew him, which made it easier for him to scout for information.

“Brother Ye, I also went to find out about the matter, but no one knows... Why not you go take a look?”

Ah Yang talked about what Ye Zhongming instructed him. No one from Cloud Port knew, so he suspected the news was fake.

He shook his head.

He promised to assist Cloud Port Alliance in getting the most crystals and materials to increase their strength quickly. Be it Soul Merchant, Glory Army, or the conflict after winter in the Secret Realm, Ye Zhongming had to get stronger. Not only himself, he needed a strong army. Ying City couldn't meet those requirements anymore.

Next, Little Peng told him about his past in Cloud Port. Ye Zhongming was very curious and had many guesses. As such, he came to prove many of those guesses.

Ye Zhongming was not a top evolved in his last life and didn't come into contact with many details. Even now, he still hadn't.

He was anxious to find out about some things.

He was like a new billionaire trying to enter that circle. It wasn't because he had to go in to show his status but only be entering; he could enter a new world and understand things ordinary people felt were preposterous.

In the end, Ye Zhongming didn't want to be a toy; he didn't want to be a chess piece but a chess player.

"Pay attention." Ye Zhongming instructed and squatted down in front of a stall.

"How much is this?"

Ye Zhongming pointed at a purplish black metal and asked the female owner.

"This... Five level four crystals."

This young woman looked at Ye Zhongming and the people behind him before saying a price.

The person noticed them. They didn't know their evolution level but knew they were rich.

In the apocalypse, people who were so clean and had white and silver equipment were rich.

So she gave a much higher price than usual.

"I will trade with equipment." He smiled and passed the equipment.

Her eyes lit up.

Chapter 512: Meat metal

Ye Zhongming handed a white bracelet over.

This wasn't a piece of equipment he crafted but one he traded from some guy on his way to Cloud Port. It was the Speed Up Bracelet. One could use it every three days to increase straight-line speed for one second.

Such equipment was useful sometimes, but it was too feminine. Many guys in the core of Cloud Peak didn't want it. The female members were also spoiled by Ye Zhongming and looked down on this equipment with only one ability.

Ye Zhongming knew that his subordinates looked down on its long cooldown and short skill time.

Honestly, Ye Zhongming didn't like it either.

He was planning to reward other members with it. But when he saw the metal, he took it out.

Whether or not the ability was good, it was still a white piece of equipment. It could be sold for more than five level-four demon crystals so that woman would agree. She wanted to grab it, but Ye Zhongming dodged.

“I want more than this piece; I want all of them!”

“How do you know?”

This woman exclaimed instinctively, and after realizing something, her expression changed.

“Meta Metal is a stone-material formed in the body of mutated lifeforms. They are like pearls and are produced by mutated ocean lifeforms. There are signs of cuts, so this is just a piece. I want all of them.”

He said something she had never heard before and continued, “Do you think such a small piece of material that isn’t even rare in Cloud Port would be worth one white piece of equipment, right? Without 25 kilograms of this, I will find someone else. I would just need to spend more time.”

Her expression changed. She glanced at the white bracelet once more and made her mind up. She told him to wait before keeping everything and running in a direction.

“Boss, you know the price so accurately?” Little Tiger praised. He didn’t get a Battle Contribution Badge, so he tried to suck up more to the boss.

Apart from Ye Zhongming, the other five went to Xia Lei, Liang Chuyin, Shengyuan, Park Xiuying, and Xia Bai.

As tanking damage increased contribution, Shengyuan and Park Xiuying were suitable to wear the badges. As for the other three women, Xia Bai was the strongest and gained points quickly. Xia Lei was the big sister and Ye Zhongming’s woman, so she had priority. As for the influencer, her AOE ability was very quick in getting points, too.

The others had to wait for the next batch.

“I just said a random number; who knows if she has that many.”

The others laughed when they heard that. Little Tiger looked awkwardly into the sky as if he wasn’t the one trying to suck up.

That woman returned quickly and had not only 25 kilograms but 100!

After bargaining with Ye Zhongming, he paid two three-star potions to get everything.

Meat metal was one of the materials that Ye Zhongming wanted to get from Cloud Port. It was a needed material to make the Thousand Leaf Phosphor Armor.

After this purplish black metal was worked on, it would give off a silver light. It had a high defense. Such metal that grew in the bodies of ocean lifeforms were rare in Ying City, but they were quite common here. He bumped into it so openly in the market today.

With this, Ye Zhongming stopped staying here and returned to the base to make the armor. He had started collecting the other materials since he got the blueprint, and it had been half a year.

Ye Zhongming followed the requirements and started to craft. One armor needed 5 kilograms of metal, Song Bird Silk, Chicken Beast Liquid, etc materials. He dealt with them individually. As this was his first time, the success rate was only 40%, but as he had used the Smith heart, it increased his rate by 15%, meaning he had a success rate of over 50%.

Materials disappeared from his hands. The meat metal became a sticky liquid, forming an armor covering half the body. It floated in the sky. Ye Zhongming used mental energy to shape it according to the blueprint. He knew that the crucial moment was here. The time when you threw in the final material was when it was easiest to fail.

Fortunately, he was fortunate, and he didn't fail. When the light dimmed, the liquid hardened. Ten minutes passed, and a silver armor appeared in his hands.

“Thousand Leaf Phosphor Armor (Silver), Ability 1, defense 106, toughness 119.”

Ye Zhongming didn't have a clear understanding of the basic stats. Some equipment had them, but some didn't. But a three-digit one was high, meaning its defense was really good.

“Ability 2, Fish Armor Absorb, scales spread out, giving the user the ability to glide. 10-hour cooldown and uses mental energy.”

This ability was great and would come in handy.

“Ability 3, Thousand Leaf Fly, equipment self-destruction ability. After use, the scales would attack targets within a certain area. All the scales will fall off, and the equipment will be permanently damaged.”

Ye Zhongming was stunned when he saw the third ability. He didn't expect it to have such an ability. Unfortunately, he didn't have enough materials; if not, he wanted to test how strong his ability was.

He placed this exquisite armor down. He thought about it and started to craft the next one.

Based on the blueprint, the armor level was related to the Smith level, job familiarity, material level, etc. It would go from white to green. If he added some better materials, it could even reach blue. When one was lucky, three chisel holes might even appear!

But, the materials added couldn't be ordinary, and the success rate would significantly reduce.

Ye Zhongming wanted to reach the highest grade this time.

He refined the material in his hands to raise the materials to white. He used his previous experience to craft and tossed the best material he had on him.

Ghost metal.

He received notification that the success rate dropped to 20%. Even if the basic smith heart, he only had slightly above a third chance of succeeding.

Ye Zhongming didn't care and started crafting.

He wanted to see if he could make a green piece of equipment.

Chapter 513: Shining phosphor light

The materials were upgraded, and he added ghost metal, so he treated this crafting solemnly. Since the start, this process has been more intense than at any other time.

If the crafting process was a mature factory line, this was like an elemental reaction in a lab. It showed signs of exceeding his control.

He could see the liquid formed from meat metal rolling into a shape. Apart from the different light, one couldn't tell anything.

But Ye Zhongming knew that the formation process was intense.

He thought about the success rate and felt it related to that. The higher the rate, the more stable the crafting process. On the contrary, the lower the rate, the more intense.

It was exactly like that. When he placed the last material, Ghost Metal, in, the entire process became chaotic. The material that was forming into the armor exploded.

Ye Zhongming retreated to avoid the center of the explosion.

The core members guarding outside charged in and saw the mess in the room. They also saw Ye Zhongming's expression and guessed their boss had failed.

Only Little Tiger noticed the silver armor on the side. He hugged it and said, "Boss, give this to me. Only then can you repay me for hurting my weak soul by not giving me the battle contribution badge."

"Scram!"

Ye Zhongming scolded him. When everyone went out, he didn't clean up the room. He sat there and recalled the two processes and compared his feelings.

An hour passed, but he didn't feel dispirited. He started to craft. He continued to refine the materials and placed another piece of ghost metal. He made some changes in some small areas.

He clenched his fist excitedly when a green Thousand Leaf Phosphor Armor was crafted.

Success!

He crafted a green piece of equipment!

Even in his last life, such equipment could be sold for a high price, much less in a world where only a year had passed.

"Thousand Leaf Phosphor Armor (Green), ability 1, defense 148, toughness 163."

The basic ability increased significantly as it was a piece of green equipment. Ye Zhongming tested the white Moon Edge on it, and it didn't even leave a mark. The small silver scales gave off a green glow, and it was very smooth.

Ye Zhongming took out the silver Moon Edge and used half his strength, but he still didn't leave a mark. There was finally a white line when he used 80% of his strength.

He hesitated, and he used all his strength.

A month had passed since he returned. Ye Zhongming and Cloud Peak earned a lot. He obtained a five-star potion and injected himself with it. Now, he was five-star, but his strength was over level

six. This situation was similar to the Ah Tao tribe warriors in the Secret Realm. Using the potion couldn't push him to the next level, but it did increase his strength.

The low-level potions naturally had no effect. But Ye Zhongming felt like his body was getting better when he used a level-four potion.

This was another surprise from the Secret Realm on top of the two techniques.

His real strength was between level six and level seven. Even without using his skills and Scorching Flame Technique, that blade was strong. After he hit the armor, a few leaves started to crack but didn't break.

In other words, his normal attacks couldn't break the defense of this armor.

Apart from that, the second and third abilities were still there. Although he didn't test it out, they should be stronger.

What made his eyes light up was the appearance of a 4th ability. This was why Ye Zhongming dared to use his full strength on this equipment.

“Ability 4, Shining Phosphor Light, every ten days, activates this skill to repair 30% of the damage. If it exceeds the damage, then it would be ineffective.”

Ye Zhongming knew that this was a big change from adding Ghost Metal. It was similar to Shengyuan's shield. But because of the gap in level, his shield could be repaired if it weren't destroyed, but it needed a long time. This armor's ability was an instant repair but had a cooldown and damage percent restriction.

He activated the skill, and the green armor was covered in a streak of light. The part Ye Zhongming damaged was back to normal, and this ability also entered a ten-day cooldown.

Ye Zhongming looked at the materials and should be able to craft two more. He didn't hesitate and started to do so. He was very lucky, and both succeeded. The success rate indicated in his mind even increased by 2% points after the final try. It was probably because his skill familiarity had increased.

He had three green armor, and the last two were female ones.

In normal situations, the blueprints were gender specific, and the smith had to control them.

Ye Zhongming called people in. The core members saw the three armors, and their eyes lit up.

The high-end powers of Cloud Peak focused on Ye Zhongming's hand. The other core members' best equipment was at silver grade. This was very good in the apocalypse, but everyone wanted better. Everyone was tempted when they saw the three pieces of armor.

One person was an exception. Little Tiger looked at the silver armor on his body and the green on the table and felt like a fool.

Everyone laughed at him. The two green pieces were given to Liang Chuyin and Park Xiuying. The guy version was given to Shengyuan.

Ye Zhongming and Xia Bai were strong, so defensive equipment was just the icing on the cake. Sheng Yuan and Park Xiuying's support job meant they received special treatment.

As for why it wasn't given to Mo Ye, it was because of the badge. With good defense, the influencer wouldn't worry too much and could get more points quickly.

The other people weren't unhappy as they knew that their boss was a fair person. They would get something soon. This was obviously the other uniform equipment the boss could create apart from Moon Edge.

"Boss, Cloud Port has sent people to invite you to a banquet."

Chapter 514: Sudden chaos

No matter the time, humans would find ways to express their superiority. It didn't matter if the world was sunny or in chaos.

The entire country and the world was a battle between humans and mutated lifeforms. There wasn't any mercy; there was also killing and blood. They were fighting for the top of the food chain.

Even in the city, many dirty and immoral things were happening.

But this didn't stop the few people in power from organizing a banquet that could even be called luxurious in peacetime to show off their power.

A beautiful hall, clean servants, delicious food, old wine, elegant music, soft mat... Each could make one forget that they were living in the apocalypse.

Ye Zhongming looked at all of this calmly, but his gaze was disdainful.

Was this something an organization that was asking for help should do? What were they showing? Their strength? Their riches?

They just wanted respect. They showed they wanted to ask for help but didn't want to lower their status.

Although the things in the banquet hall couldn't be exchanged for much outside, it would be enough to feed a few thousand people for half a month.

Ye Zhongming's impression of Cloud Port Alliance dropped because of this.

Ye Zhongming attended the banquet with Liang Chuyin. They were informed they couldn't bring weapons, so they went empty-handed. The influencer hugged his hand. Ye Zhongming had the space equipment, so the weapon was placed there.

Apart from Ye Zhongming, Zhao Xingmei and Bai Feng attended too. After all, Cloud Peak wasn't the only reinforcement. He brought the two of them to reduce suspicion.

The boisterous hall got quiet when the four of them entered.

Even in Cloud Port, where people could often get dozens or even hundreds of crystals quickly, it was eye-catching to see four five-star evolved together.

After Ye Zhongming took the five-star potion, his aura became more discreet unless one had special scouting abilities; if not, they wouldn't be able to see his true strength.

Liang Chuyin and Zhao Xingmei were both well-stressed. They were already beautiful, and now they looked much better. People used to seeing dirty women were now impressed when they saw two clean-looking beauties.

The women in the banquet were bright but not as good-looking as the two.

Many people walked over. In the center were the five leaders of Cloud Port Alliance. The leader was energized and smiled from afar.

“Mr Ye, hello, are you used to staying here?”

Ye Zhongming shook hands with this old fellow, and the other four came to greet him. This was the second time that they met.

“Let me introduce; these few are friends that rushed here to help. This is Huan City Ancestor Defense Team’s Liu Zong; this is South Tang Town’s defender, Duan Fei, God Stealing Squad’s boss Ling Ye...”

Meng Xiangjiang introduced a dozen leaders one by one. They were quite strong; most were five-star, and some were four-star.

Based on Ah Yang’s intel, they discussed joining hands to get more interest. Meng Xiangjiang introduced the few leaders first for some reason and used this method to hint that he knew many things.

After the introduction, everyone moved towards the banquet hall, but after two steps, they noticed that Meng Xiangjiang didn’t move.

Everyone turned their heads and didn’t know what he was doing. It looked like he was waiting for someone.

The five leaders and the other four members frowned. Was someone else coming? Why didn’t we know?

Footsteps spread from outside, and it was very orderly. Ye Zhongming frowned.

Just the footsteps alone told him that it was a well-trained army.

Nine people appeared, and the leader was around 30. He stood straight, and behind him were two people, a guy and a girl. The guy was very tall, and the two-meter-tall him stood out in the hall. That female’s face was ice cold, but her looks and body weren’t weaker than Liang Chuyin and Zhao Xingmei.

The six people following them were lined up.

“Guang Yao, you are here; we were waiting for you.”

Meng Xiangjiang smiled, and his attitude was warmer than when he welcomed Ye Zhongming.

“Uncle Jiang.”

The leading guy smiled, and after nodding to Meng Xiangjiang, he looked over this old man and at the people behind him.

“Let me introduce; this is Guang Yao, my good friend's son. Everyone should look out for one another. He came to help Cloud Port Alliance so we can get closer.”

The others were polite and greeted Guang Yao. He recognized that this was a six-star evolved. Since they had the same goal, having someone so strong was good.

The goal of the banquet was not just eating. Once everyone was here, the negotiations began.

The reinforcements wouldn't help for nothing. They had to decide how much they were to be paid. It was best to be clear rather than brush across it.

Their men left, and only 20 people remained. These were the stars of today.

"Let's be direct; I know your requests, and after careful thinking, while thanking all of you for coming to help, there are some objections that we have to discuss."

Shi Yang saw Meng Xiangjiang holding his glass and not speaking. He started it off politely.

Many people, including Ye Zhongming, knew the main show was here.

When everyone considered getting the best rewards, Guang Yao smiled and attracted everyone's attention.

"There is nothing to discuss. Helping Cloud Port Alliance is like helping ourselves. Since that is the case, it is too low to discuss payment. I suggest building an alliance army to face the beast wave."

After hearing Guang Yao's words, many expressions changed. One of the leaders was hot-tempered and interrupted, "Kid, you want us to work for free? Who are you even?!"

Guang Yao was not angry and spun the glass in his hands, "Remember, I will only say this once. I am Sky Elephant Division's Guang Yao; those who don't listen can all die."

The wine splashed towards the person who spoke it. At the same time, there were loud sounds in the banquet hall, outside the city, Cloud Port City!

Chapter 515: Holy Army Coat

The noise first came from two directions.

First was the roof. Stone pieces blew apart like small cannonballs that hit the humans below. Many killers with weapons launched their attacks.

The other was the red wine from Guang Yao's glass. The liquid turned into a red crystal snake that spat its tongue at the person who spoke up.

The two incidents signaled the start of chaos.

"Who are you?"

"Kill!"

The cement roof couldn't block the evolved's abilities. When the roof exploded, Ye Zhongming pulled Liang Chuyin and retreated.

Before understanding the situation, he wouldn't attack. He had to be sure whether or not things were good for him.

Zhao Xingmei and Bai Feng followed behind. They were powerful in Ying City, but after heading out, they realized many were on their level, so it was better to listen to Ye Zhongming.

Some people reacted as quickly as Ye Zhongming, but not many. Those killers were able to find their targets.

Ye Zhongming's eyes lit up when those people attacked.

Nine of them all had assassin jobs!

Only two of the entire Cloud Peak, including Xia Bai, had such a job. Who was able to gather so many such job users together?

Moreover, they were very strong!

Puchi!

Lan En, one of the five leaders, cried out, and his body fell backward. His men reached out in panic, but the cold light shone. A person holding two daggers appeared behind them. Two white daggers entered their backs.

Fresh blood spurted from their mouths. Their eyes were filled with shock and terror when they slowly lost their light. They fell to the ground right beside their boss.

The short killer succeeded in one move and didn't plan on staying. He dashed towards where he came from and disappeared from the hole in the roof.

He killed three people in a few seconds. One five-star evolved, two four-star, such a situation shocked many.

Ye Zhongming was shocked. He asked himself if he could do that, but this was because he had great equipment and over six-star strength.

But this assassin could use his job skill and sneak attack ability. This made Ye Zhongming more impressed.

At the same time, the guy who scolded Guang Yao didn't survive. The red ice crystal hit his face, and the ice spread, turning him into an ice statue.

"Sky Elephant Division will occupy Cloud Port; everyone has to listen to us; those who go against us will die!"

Light shone on his body. An armor that was black with red markings appeared on his body. This exquisite defensive gear shone silver, which was as eye-catching as the silver spear in his hands.

Similar things happened to the two behind Guang Yao. The guy with black armor and the woman with red armor with black patterns. Their weapons and armor set also appeared. But in terms of level, their equipment was white, and it was a level lower than Guang Yao's.

The six men did similar actions, and a grey equipment set appeared on their bodies.

"Holy Army Coat?!"

Fighting spirit appeared on Ye Zhongming's body. It wasn't towards others but to the equipment.

The three of them beside him were shocked.

In the last life, Holy Army Coat was very famous. These three words were like a spell. Without demon crystal weapons and Le Dayuan, they were the strongest thing humans created.

Each person in the apocalypse wished that they could have one set.

Ye Zhongming did so in the past.

The reason why it was so famous was because it was a set.

Like set in games, each part had decent ability, but they were very strong together.

Of course, although Holy Army Coat was a set, it differed from those set in games.

The set pieces in games could be worn. Although they wouldn't have the extra stat increases, it didn't affect the equipment.

But the Holy Army Coat was different. It had to appear as a set as it was crafted. Each set appeared in a set form. If split, it would lose all its effect and become useless.

But one thing couldn't be denied. It was very strong, and it was very eye-catching in its last life.

If one had to describe it, the set helped to cross grades.

A grey set was as strong as a white piece of equipment. One set of white Holy Army Coat was as strong as silver equipment.

This was something that everyone envied.

The six wore grey coats, meaning they had white-level strength. The two white were silver and Guang Yao... It was as if he was wearing full green!

One must know that Ye Zhongming could only craft green equipment because of the Ghost Metal!

This made him feel very unsettled.

In his last life, he could only envy such equipment. Now, he was a Glory Smith and could craft his symbolic equipment. His desire to battle burnt strongly when he saw this thing he couldn't craft.

The world was fair. The person who could craft it had obtained a special job scroll. This job was--- Master of the Coat!

This was similar to Park Xiuying's Trainee of Light; once one learned it, one couldn't have any other job. Moreover, this smith differed from others; they could only craft Army Coats. Using some methods that Ye Zhongming didn't understand, they could modify them to turn them into Holy Army Coats.

Ye Zhongming envied the equipment, but if he had a choice, he wouldn't choose to become the Master of the Coat.

But this didn't stop him from wanting to test its strength.

He stepped towards the mysterious Guang Yao.

Chapter 516: Hill on the ocean

When Ye Zhongming was planning to attack, the leaders of the reinforcements from Ying City gathered together.

"Xia, Sister Bai, what should we do?"

The faction boss looked at Xia Bai, who carried the giant scythe. He said those words before lowering his head.

The entire Ying City had a weird phenomenon. They weren't the most afraid of Ye Zhongming, who controlled everything, not Xia Lei, Ye Zhongming's speaker. Instead, they were most afraid of this ice-cold scythe woman.

This was not only because she was a seven-star evolved but also because of what she did.

Time slowly revealed what Cloud Peak had faced. Xia Bai's performance in Ying City, Cloud Peak, the Competition Death Wheel space had spread. Her viciousness to herself caused everyone to tremble.

Moreover, in the month that Ye Zhongming was back, Xia Bai wanted to train the female evolved that they got from Soul Merchant and to help them adapt. She led them to be an all-rounded squad. Not only were they in Ying City to kill those factions that disagreed with Cloud Peak, but they even provoked zombie hordes and mutated lifeforms. She placed them in a tough battle and didn't care about their lives.

When they didn't fight, Xia Bai led these women to fight those guys who whistled at them. Not only did she lead them to fight in Ying City, but she also made them fight Cloud Peak's forces.

Both sides naturally knew what was going on, and they held back. This team was at a disadvantage at the start, but as things progressed, Xia Bai didn't even need to help them, and they could go toe-to-toe with Cloud Peak's strongest squad.

This won Ying City's respect and also filled them with fear.

This 200-strong squad had their leader's personality. They were vicious; they didn't care about their lives and were cold. They didn't listen to anyone apart from Ye Zhongming!

Apart from this strong female squad, only Liang Chuyin's squad followed. Although Mo Ye, Little Tiger, etc, core members came, their men were left in Cloud Peak for defense. Liang Chuyin and Ye Zhongming went to the banquet. Now that Xia Lei wasn't here, Xia Bai's group was the strongest, so everyone asked her for her opinion.

But her gory image was too shocking, so every word she said gave one huge pressure.

Xia Bai turned her head and looked towards Mo Ye.

The rumors were naturally exaggerated. Xia Bai and her 200 warriors only listened to Ye Zhongming, but she would often agree to the suggestions of others. That was limited to Ye Zhongming and the few who followed him. Apart from Xia Lei, Mo Ye's words could influence her.

The city suddenly had chaos, and battles had begun all around. The two gates of the city were opened, and squads surged in. What surprised everyone was that at least half of them had guns.

Cloud Peak, who occupied the entire Ying City, went to search, and they did get many guns. But this was because Ying City suburbs had an army guarding it. It wasn't the same level as the group charging into the city.

Cloud Peak's forces had good defensive equipment. They could defend against basic guns unless they were hit in the head. Even grey bullets wouldn't be able to kill them. But that was not the case

for the other factions. If they faced survivors who used guns at scale, they might cause even larger losses.

Moreover, two groups were heading over to their base. They could see them here, and they would arrive in a few minutes.

The two teams had at least 800 people, and they held automatic rifles. In the few minutes that the Ying City reinforcements noticed them, they killed hundreds of people who tried to stop them. They were unaffected. No one could get within 20 meters of them, and they were all shot to death.

Such scenes were shocking!

Mo Ye and Little Tiger looked at each other and saw the shock in their eyes.

These people were military-trained and trained for a long time!

“Are they... From the same system as us?” Little Tiger said, “They should be from that system.”

Mo Ye kept silent, but she was struggling.

“How?”

Xia Lei moved towards Mo Ye, which didn’t attract any attention.

“Hu...” Mo Ye calmed herself down and ordered, “Be on guard, warn them. It would mean provocation if they are within 100 meters, and we will strike.”

En.

Xia Bai turned around and brought her deputy Xiao Min out. The others received orders and went to make preparations.

Little Tiger looked at his captain during peacetime and smiled.

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When the entire city and even Cloud Port were in chaos, if one looked down from above, one would see that a giant hill was rising ten kilometers from shore. The water spun around it and formed many giant whirlpools. Many ocean lifeforms were crying out. They had all sorts of crystals on their bodies that reflected different colors.

The hill finally showed itself. Water flowed down its 20-meter-tall body. It looked like a gloating leather ball, but beneath it was a much bigger body floating to form a huge ripple.

In the distance, there was a slight gory aura. This hill moved, and then a pair of blue eyes opened in the center to look at Cloud Port.

“Creak!”

A soundwave spread in all directions. Ocean beasts floated out from the surface and charged at the target.

Chapter 517: Ying City's counter attack

“For the safety of your men and yourself, you should step aside. Don’t force me to kill you first.”

Ye Zhongming’s aura increase was picked up by Guang Yao, who was in his fighting state. He turned to look at Ye Zhongming and pointed his spear.

Blood was on the tip. This six-star evolved wearing the Holy Armor Coat just killed Jing An, one of the five core members of the Cloud Port Alliance.

A five-star evolved without guards faced a six-star evolved with a Holy Armor Coat. He could only fight for a dozen seconds before he was pierced in the head.

Liang Chuyin frowned and wanted to attack. She was a spicy character and had spent a long time in Cloud Peak. She was together with Ye Zhongming, so she wasn’t afraid to fight someone stronger than her.

The silver whip she took from Ye Zhongming’s space started to dance, and she could immediately use a skill.

“This woman is not bad.” Guang Yao smiled and didn’t bother about the four of them at all.

These words infuriated Zhao Xingmei.

Women who were strong in the apocalypse didn’t like it when people teased them.

Ye Zhongming squinted his eyes and pulled the influencer about to explode behind him. He waved Moon Edge.

Guang Yao turned around. Although he didn’t sense a similar evolution level in his body, he felt uncomfortable being stared at. This made him focus.

Of course, the main reason was that he received news about Cloud Peak and Ye Zhongming beforehand.

He wasn’t afraid; the faction behind him wasn’t scared. If there weren’t any surprises, his organization was one of the strongest in the apocalypse, making him proud.

But this didn’t mean that he was a fool. Fools wouldn’t be able to survive long.

But he didn’t have anything to fear. The Holy Army Coat gave him confidence. He didn’t believe anyone of the same level could defeat the current him.

Guang Yao even felt he could battle the few seven-star evolved worldwide.

This was why he dared to provoke Ye Zhongming. Or rather, he was looking down on anyone who disrespected him.

“So much nonsense.”

Ye Zhongming slashed.

He used Mountain Blade immediately.

He wanted to try it to see how strong Guang Yao was. He wanted to see how strong the set equipment that was on the level of green equipment was.

Guang Yao felt the pressure. He licked his lips and moved his wrists. The spear shot up, and light appeared on the head of the spear. It formed a ball of light that followed the spear. Energy currents surged out when the ball of light was the size of a fist. It formed a lightning region that swept along with the lightning bolts. The pressure was countered.

The spear thrust and clashed with Moon Edge.

The light lit up the entire hall. The crisp sound caused both of them to take two steps back.

A frenzied look appeared in their eyes.

A very good opponent.

Such a thought rose in their hearts at the same time.

The difference was that Guang Yao felt he had matched an equal opponent, while Ye Zhongming felt that he... Had the right to fight him.

The other battles reached an intense stage when they focused on their fight. Those killers appeared and left, leaving two camps. One was the outside reinforcements led by Rong Cheng that lost their leaders; the other was the faction led by Meng Xiangjiang and Yang Shi.

Both sides had clashed, and it hadn't stopped.

"What is the meaning of this?"

Rong Cheng's eyes were filled with rage when he looked at them. He was a target of the sneak attack, but because of his strength and loyal guards, he wasn't killed by two assassins.

But the deaths of his men made his heart hurt. He spent a lot of money and effort to nurture them, and they were loyal to him. It wasn't easy to find such people in the future.

What was more infuriating was that he didn't know anything as one of the leaders of Cloud Port Alliance. Be it Meng Xiangjiang or Yang Shi, they didn't give him any hints or convince him to join their side.

What was this? Looking down on him?

It was rage from being humiliated and betrayed.

"You are stupid." Meng Xiangjiang and Yang Shi mocked Rong Cheng, "It is obvious that you are out."

"Jerk!"

Rong Cheng was furious, but he was calm. He stood between those who rushed to assist Cloud Port and didn't look like he wanted to challenge those two ex-allies.

Meng Xiangjiang and Yang Shi didn't want to let him go. They waved and led many men to charge.

"They are our obstacle to controlling Cloud Port. Time to die and be reunited with Lan En and Duan Jing An!"

They didn't pity the allies that they had fought alongside. They launched their strong attack.

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“Stop a hundred meters away. If not, it will be seen as an attack on the Ying City alliance!”

Warning sounds spread out. The building where the Ying City Alliance was based was ready to defend.

But the warnings weren't effective against the two teams that had gathered. They were still pushing forward.

“Stop...”

Gunshots interrupted their warning, and they shot at the defenses.

Mo Ye smiled, and the last bit of hope disappeared.

Blood splattered. Ying City Alliance members fell from the accurate shots. They considered defending the high ground, but it was useless to the evolved. If they were in the building, they would just get buried alive.

This guest was already within 50 meters.

Hua la!

Six floors of glass shattered. Hundreds of streaks of light shone. Ying City's counterattack had started.

Chapter 518: Ocean Beast Wave is here

The Ying City Alliance Army lacked guns and bows, but it didn't mean they had none.

Survivors had a deep reliance on things that they understood during peacetime.

The fear of guns was something that couldn't be changed quickly. To many, the best way to kill was for bullets to pierce the bodies of the enemy.

So, be it from the wheel or other methods, survivors would treat guns as a trump card.

When this team showed that they wanted to sneak attack the base, those with guns were gathered together on the first floor.

What flew from the sixth floor was the ranged skills.

The mysterious squad saw the skills. A red carpet flew from the team's center that spun and expanded, covering their heads. The skills landed on the carpet and disappeared after a giant stream of light.

The equipment caused the battlefield to freeze before guns fired again.

“Decent thing.”

Xia Bai spoke up and then disappeared with a group.

The Ying City Alliance Army on the first floor fired.

This caught the mysterious team off guard.

Shooting from above gave one an advantage, which was why the mysterious squad felt the gunners should be above. They didn't expect them to be on the first floor.

Blood and defensive equipment shone simultaneously, with more cries than before.

These fights weren't the normal gun fights that one thought about. These guns had levels, and the bullets had different lights and skills. Normal shooting angle and dodging weren't accurate. One's understanding of such fights had to change.

Especially in such a battle of scale, it was useless to dodge. The battle was based on accuracy and defensive gear.

Defensive equipment was more useful than thick cement walls.

Both sides fired, and those at the front fell.

500 Ying City gunners were gathered here, and after a round of shots that lasted a few dozen seconds, over half of them fell. What they got in return was a few dozen kills.

It wasn't because their evolution level was low but because of their shooting skills and coordination. There was a huge gap. This was the difference between professionals and those who weren't.

Skills continued falling from the sixth floor, clashing with that weird carpet. Both sides wanted to see if the ranged survivors ran out of mental energy first or if this carpet would fail.

At the ground level, the two sides were still shooting at one another.

A minute had passed since the battle started, but over 700 people had died. This was the power of guns at this stage.

Such situations would reduce when one got into the apocalypse. Bulletproof equipment would become more common.

At this time, four teams charged from the two sides of the base. Each had 3,000 people. Two of them headed for the mysterious group while the others headed for their backs.

Cloud Peak was just using the ranged attacks to distract the enemy so that they could draw them close.

Mo Ye made her mind up, and she wouldn't let this mysterious squad live. Ye Zhongming influenced her. His ideals were that those who offended him would all die. If you wanted to offend them, you had to judge if you were strong enough.

This was a way to stay alive.

As for whether or not this squad was from that system and whether offending them would cause repercussions, Mo Ye didn't have to consider.

That guy mentioned that surviving in the apocalypse meant you had to be enemies with the entire world.

The intense shooting consumed a lot of gunpowder. Mo Ye didn't see many resources on this squad. She didn't think this thousand-strong squad could keep this up for long. If they weren't arrogant, they still had things to rely on.

Behind an unassuming window, Mo Ye started to look into the distance. She didn't care about the battle below. The Ying City Alliance would win that; she was just searching for the source of her unease.

There?

Mo Ye looked at the dark clouds gathering in the distance. The sky was turning black. It looked far away, and it wasn't obvious.

The city had strict rules at night. One wasn't allowed to light flames or lightbulbs in case they attracted mutated lifeforms from above. But it was too chaotic today. Many parts of the city were in flames, and smoke billowed. The light from the battle also shone in many areas. The bullets shot through the sky, which lit up the city.

"Two teams appeared at two o'clock and 11 o'clock. The former is larger, with at least a few thousand. The latter's equipment is similar to those below. They should be from the same squad. There are over 500 of them."

Little Tiger entered the room covered in blood. He had gone out to scout the situation.

"Lead Liang Chuyin's squad to that team at 11 o'clock, leave the 2 o'clock one to Xia Bai."

Mo Ye ordered coldly and went downstairs herself.

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On the ocean's surface, the waves didn't only splash; numerous ocean beasts were also hidden.

The giant hill floated a few hundred meters from the shore. Various mutated beasts spread across the beaches and headed towards Cloud Port.

The sentries here had disappeared for some reason, so no one gave a warning.

The beasts surged but suddenly split up in two directions. The group in the middle started to push slowly.

If someone looked at them from above, they would notice they were wrapping around Cloud Port. They wanted to surround a human city.

That blue eye twitched. It looked deep into the ocean and gave off a human-like emotion.

There was hatred, unwillingness, and rage...

The body started to float to reveal the parts hidden below the surface. Its black body looked like a stone pillar that appeared from the ground. That increased the height of the hill.

Numerous white tentacles stretched to the beaches, and the hill finally revealed its complete body.

At the center of its hundred-meter body were two purple level-seven crystals, which gave off a weird glow under the moonlight.

Chapter 519: Python God Finger

People risked their lives in the apocalypse to gain something.

These things were big or small. It might be for a piece of bread, water, a gun, a woman, or a bottle of evolution potion.

These interests might increase. For example, higher-level potions, a stronger job scroll, a giant granary, or a secret army warehouse.

There were even bigger interests, but only those people would know, as each expert cared about different things.

Ye Zhongming and Guang Yao were like that.,

Guang Yao came on a mission. He knew what would happen here, so he wanted to occupy this place and get all the benefits he could get from this area.

He launched a sneak attack on the humans to become the ruler here. He didn't care that ocean beasts were attacking them.

Ye Zhongming was tempted by the Royal Army Coat and wanted to test its strength. But the main reason was that Guang Yao's actions had touched his interests.

Ye Zhongming wanted to get rich from this mission. But if Guang Yao occupied this place, then why was he here?

As a Smith, Ye Zhongming's best money-making venture was creating equipment. He was mainly interested in the coat because he wanted to understand and obtain it. He wanted to get a set to study and replicate it. That would be a joyous matter. Even if he couldn't succeed, he could understand the connection between the various set equipment, which would greatly help him.

So he wasn't attacking rashly; he was doing so because of his greed.

There was nothing to worry about.

When Ye Zhongming and Guang Yao retreated, Ye Zhongming wiped some blood off his ears and felt more excited.

Royal Army Coat didn't disappoint him. The weird ability caught him off guard and gave him a wound. That gun would have left a hole in his face if not for him using Quickness.

Guang Yao was proud. He aimed his guns at Ye Zhongming. His previous worry was gone, and he was confident he could defeat Ye Zhongming.

"Fool." Liang Chuyin cursed, and her worry was also gone.

She knew Ye Zhongming's ability. She saw that Ye Zhongming used just one job and held that silver Moon Edge and could be equal to the enemy; she knew he would win.

If this Guang Yao fellow didn't have any trump card, Ye Zhongming had to take two trump cards out to kill him.

The funny thing was that this person was still gloating. He thought that he had the advantage.

Liang Chuyin didn't mind humiliating the opponent like he had teased her.

Guang Yao squinted his eyes and scoffed coldly.

He felt like he could win, so he started to pay attention to things around him. Meng Xiangjiang helped his subordinates, who suppressed those unwilling people to a small corner.

He thought about the mission to occupy this place and felt good.

“Again!”

Ye Zhongming waved Moon Edge and charged forward. He used Full Strength Light to begin his second attack wave.

“Teach you how to be a person!”

Guang Yao faced it fearlessly. He moved his spear and activated the Holy Army Coat’s attack skill--- Thousand Dragon Spear!

The spear shadows turned into dragons that faced Ye Zhongming’s blade.

Ye Zhongming held the blade with his right, and his left hand moved towards those dragons.

Python God Finger!

Sky Dragon Cultivator’s first skill.

The finger and blade faced those dragons!

People around were shocked. They didn’t expect Ye Zhongming to face the dragons like this. No matter how strong the finger technique was, could it clash with a silver weapon?

But the truth was... It could.

Even Liang Chuyin was shocked.

Ye Zhongming naturally wouldn’t be so arrogant previously. But when he got the Sky Boat Book from Zhao Xingmei, he spent many crystals to duplicate the two job advancement scrolls into four. He upgraded the Sky Dragon Cultivator. Surprisingly, it didn’t go from Trainee to Basic, but it turned the first skill to... Good Grade Python God Finger!

Even if Ye Zhongming was living a second life, he had never seen such a special situation. He could only explain it by saying the job came from a special place like the Competition Death Wheel.

Ye Zhongming tested it out. He could pierce through a few centimeters thick steel board when he used the finger. If he used Scorching Flame Technique, it would get much stronger.

Ye Zhongming was taking a risk by using it now, but it also proved he was confident.

No one saw how often they had clashed, but Moon Edge was trembling when they separated. Ye Zhongming’s left hand was also dripping blood.

Guang Yao’s spear pressed onto the ground. Even if he tried to control it, he was panting profusely.

His expression was calm, but he was shocked inside.

Thousand Dragon Spear was his strongest attack skill. He would win all battles in the past when he used it; everyone had to retreat when they faced him. He thought that Ye Zhongming would die or be in a bad state using this killing move. But he used just his hand and a blade to block his skill.

The price was... A few drops of blood?

Guang Yao and the Sky Elephant Division forces who noticed the situation were stunned. This was the first time they faced such resistance since they started to execute their plan.

Ye Zhongming flicked the blood drop on his left hand. He planned to end the battle.

But at that moment, the ground started to shake. Many people lost their footing and stumbled left and right in the hall.

Be it Meng Xiangjiang or Rong Cheng, Guang Yao, or Ye Zhongming, they retreated to stabilize their bodies. At the same time, they saw the ground in the center rising, like something was about to pop out. The carpet and corpses were knocked aside, stone shrapnels splattered. A giant green figure appeared. It looked around before roaring.

Chapter 520: Surrounding the city

The entire Cloud Port was chaotic, but the outer areas differed from the city center.

In the center was the Sky Elephant Division, which joined hands with Meng Xiangjiang and caused a power struggle.

The outside was caused because Sky Elephant Division passed the walls.

The chaos was started by the survivors who had lived in Cloud Port for a long time.

They had cleared many of the mutated lifeforms in the city. In probably two days, humans would be able to occupy the city.

It was much safer today as compared to yesterday. But after the chaos started, many people realized that those mutated lifeforms roaming about were gone. There were occasionally some, but their numbers weren't as terrifying as before.

But the smell of blood in the air was thick. A strong squad passed this area and killed everything that dared to block their path.

This team entered the center city; it was as if... The city gates were opened!

Many people started to think.

Steal, robbery, rape, murder...

All selfish actions were on full display; they didn't care about morals, just the outcome of their actions.

Little Peng hid in a corner of a room with a bag beside him. These were the materials that he bought for Ye Zhongming. After using that bag of crystals to get a place in the city center, he didn't purchase what the guy needed on the market. He understood that place and knew buying small amounts outside the city center was cheaper.

This bag was filled with materials bought with the remaining demon crystals.

But Little Peng didn't expect that he would bump into such chaos after spending just a day outside.

This was his previous squad's camp. The people who charged in were enemies with him. Now that there was chaos, they wanted to rob others, so Little Peng's camp was naturally one of their targets.

But this building had too many rooms. Many walls were broken down to connect the rooms, making it convenient to flee. These people ran around the apartment, and apart from finding some smelly corpses, they didn't notice anything else.

They didn't search in much detail as it wasted too much time. This was a time that they could use to rob others.

These people cursed before leaving. Little Peng waited for a moment before walking out from his hiding spot.

He wanted to find Ye Zhongming and fulfill his promise.

The moment he arrived downstairs, the ground started to shake.

Cloud Port people were too familiar with this tempo. This was the sign of the beast wave coming.

But... Why wasn't there any siren?

In the past, sirens would sound over Cloud Port to announce even the smallest ocean beast waves.

The survivors experienced this trembling that lasted a dozen seconds before screams could be heard—a thick blood scent spread in the air.

The ocean beasts were here, and they were very close.

Little Peng was familiar with this scent. He was sure there was only such a thick smell because the ocean beasts were nearby.

Run!

Little Peng started to run towards the city center the moment such a thought appeared in his mind. He used the sounds around to judge which direction he should take. He could only charge into the city center to stay alive to occupy the huge walls.

He was still carrying the bag of materials at the start, but when he continued running, he had no choice but to give it up. This level-three battle pet couldn't run quickly, so he could only carry it. It would affect his movement speed if he had to carry another heavy bag of materials.

The other Cloud Port people were similar to Little Peng and dashed towards the city center. They stopped everything they were doing because of the ocean beast wave. Surviving was the only thing they cared about.

But Little Peng suddenly slowed, and some information appeared in his mind.

He found a quiet place to listen to it. He placed Black Hatred on the ground and squatted in front of his beast in disbelief.

“Are you sure you are correct?”

Little Peng looked around and was defending against all dangers that might appear.

Black Hatred's body flapped in all directions like it was promising him.

He turned back to look at the city center. One could see flames and many people squeezed into the city. To enter quickly. Some people attacked. People started to curse and scold one another. Some in the city center wanted to lower the walls to stop the ocean beast wave.

Little Peng bit his teeth and carried Black Hatred.

“Let's give it a try. Black Hatred, my life depends on you!”

Black Hatred moved its body, and one of its five limbs pointed in one direction.

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“Venemous Ocean Snake!”

Many people recognized this giant mutated lifeform, but no one knew that this thing could dig down like an earthworm.

The people here were among the strongest in the apocalypse, so they realized what was happening.

If the ocean snake could get here, they could get to other places, the entire Cloud Port...

They didn't think that this occurred because this level-six snake was a fool and wanted to kill itself.

Those near the entrance started to run. The chaos outside made them realize something.

The giant ocean snake opened its mouth after roaring, and a terrible stench spread from its body. Huge green liquid beads shot out from its mouth, splattering towards all corners.

“Go!”

Ye Zhongming knew that some things were out of control, so he dragged Liang Chuyin and led Zhao Xingmei and Bai Feng out by knocking down the cement wall. He broke many walls before they got out of the building that the banquet hall was in. This made Ye Zhongming pant, and his shoulder was hurting slightly.

He looked at the flames dancing and skill light around him. It seemed like the base was also attacked.

Killing intent surged on his body. He looked at the banquet hall that turned into hell on earth and led them towards the base.

At this point, the entire Ying City Alliance army was in a tough battle.