

Apocalypse 611

Chapter 611: Ocean King Crown

Even if the Ocean King Crown wasn't as colorful as on the island, it was still a perfect art piece. It was so dazzling that it left Ye Zhongming in awe.

This was the most beautiful equipment he had seen in his two lives.

There was nothing that could compare to it.

This special wheels equipment had a specific use and function and represented a special meaning.

Ye Zhongming had heard of the Ocean King Crown before but only had some rough information. He came here with that rough bit of knowledge to test his luck. He didn't expect himself to be so lucky to get it.

He held it in his hands and felt excited.

He saw a bit of seven-colored light hiding in the golden glow. Was this a seven-colored piece of equipment?

Ye Zhongming suppressed his thoughts before, but now that he held it in his hands, it was undeniable that he felt excited.

But he looked at it for a long time before putting it down with a complicated expression.

At least now, this wasn't a seven-colored equipment.

Of course, he wasn't sure if it was indeed a piece of seven-colored equipment, but he felt it was possible if he unsealed it.

Right, the current crown was a piece of sealed equipment.

He hadn't seen such equipment in his last life but had seen cursed equipment.

Since Smiths could craft equipment and give them stats, some special job users like necromancers and Spirit Curse Masters had some job skills or potions that caused negative effects on evolved and their equipment.

There were a few ways to break the curse. Like some job skills, special items, or crafting the item again.

But no matter what, Ye Zhongming couldn't think of a way to unseal the crown to see its real strength.

But, since it was a sealed Ocean King Crown, it still showed strength.

Ocean King Crown (Silver) (Sealed, number of seals, 5)

This was what made him depressed. Not only was it sealed, but there were five seals, and it seemed like he had to unlock it five times to get the true Ocean King Crown.

He tossed this feeling of being conned out and looked at its stats.

Ability 1, Ocean King Mark. Give the person who owns it a mark and obtain the power of the mark. Level one ability, water breathing. Level two, reduced resistance in water. Level three, sensory

increase. Level four, water healing. Level five, sealed. Level six, sealed. Level seven, sealed. Level eight, sealed. Level nine, sealed.

Ability 2, Wave Primordial Power, nourishes the users strength, increasing their control and sensing of their strength.

Ability 3, sealed.

Ability 4, sealed.

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Only two abilities were unsealed. The other seven were sealed. Moreover, even the first ability had its first five levels sealed.

The restrictions of this equipment were more than he thought.

Ye Zhongming felt much regret. He cared most about the ability that could allow people to mutate again. He didnt know if it had disappeared or if it was sealed.

But he quickly adjusted his mood and looked at the two unsealed abilities. He felt like this crown did have the right to be called king.

Xia Bai was given the Ocean King Mark and was even given it under the complete Ocean King state, with all nine abilities unsealed. So Ye Zhongming knew about the first three abilities. But he didnt know from the fourth one onwards. Now, he knew that the 4th ability was water healing.

This ability was quite decent, especially for survivors who lived near the ocean. If you got some water, you could bathe in it to heal. It was the same as always having a healing job with you.

In the apocalypse, healing jobs were very popular. Just look at Park Xiuyings status in Cloud Peak.

This ability was worth its weight in gold.

The thing that shocked Ye Zhongming the most was the second ability.

Initially, he didnt pay much attention to it, but he was impressed after wearing the crown.

He noticed that his strength was increased.

Usually, such a situation would happen after an evolution or if he used some potion or skill.

But Ye Zhongming was just wearing the crown, and his strength was being buffed. Moreover, he tested the effect, and it was around 10%.

This was quite high.

Moreover, the skill said that it nourished the users strength! Which meant that this strength would increase as time went on. It might reach 20% and even more in the future!

When the increase came in folds, how would it differ from evolving?

It would be beneficial in actual fights and could increase their combat strength.

Also, this ability increased strength and the way you felt and used your strength. For example, if a martial arts expert gave you ten years of his internal strength and told you how to use it, you would become an expert immediately.

Even with this one ability alone, the crown was a great piece of equipment.

These were just the benefits currently; unfortunately, there were still some restrictions.

This restriction was mainly towards the first ability. You had to consume mental energy and stamina to give others abilities.

Ye Zhongming didnt care much about this restriction. But when he called Liang Chuyin over to use the mark on her, his mental energy was sucked dry, and he was left with a bit of stamina. He nearly fainted.

Ye Zhongmings mental energy was full. With his huge supply and good stamina, he was emptied. The ability requirements were too shocking.

Good things had two sides. The mark was decent. Not only did one need to use the evolution potions again, but you also needed someone with high mental energy and stamina.

He gave Liang Chuyin the level one to three potions and told her to understand the marks ability. He then took out the few rewards he had left after trading with the Pliosaurus.

Chapter 612: Intermediate Bloodline

As he traded with the Pliosaurus, he didnt have many mutated lifeform items left; he only had one remaining.

He also had job scrolls, bloodline crystals, recipes, and potions.

As for other things, Ye Zhongming didnt ask those who obtained them to hand them over.

Ye Zhongming looked at the recipe, and it was for a Potion Master. He could only keep it and see if he could trade it for a decent price.

The evolution potion, which he handed to Mo Ye, was a good thing.

In terms of individual strength, apart from Xia Bai and Ye Zhongming, she was the strongest Cloud Peak member. After using the six-star potion and with that unique Talisman Master equipment, she would get much stronger.

She would be the commander of Cloud Peaks army in the future, so her strength was important. Xia Bai and her squad were the scythe of judgment for Cloud Peak and would develop in the shadows. They were his sharpest blade. Because of their loyalty, they would help keep Cloud Peak in check and control the enemy situation outside.

Xia Lei would be the manager of Cloud Peak and be in charge of all matters. Sister Rong would take control of logistics, and Luyi would oversee outside matters.

After this challenge ended, as the Cloud Port branch was established, Ye Zhongming would give each core member a specific role. That would make things more efficient and would prevent people from being jealous of one another and trying to fight for power.

Although the core members were very friendly now, as they faced more outside pressure and there were more core members, there would be conflicts. These things wouldnt be completely eradicated, but he had to defend against them to avoid internal issues.

Ye Zhongming looked at the job scroll. It was a decent Weather Controller. But it didnt match his job and skills, so he kept it. When he was free, he would consider who to give it to.

The most valuable thing out of all the rewards was that bloodline crystal.

Bloodline Intermediate Mountain Roar!

Mountain Roar was a very strong beast. It had one of the strongest bodies. Its defense, strength, and regeneration were all overpowered.

One could say that this bloodline was as valuable as his Hell Envoy Bloodline. If he gained the two bloodlines simultaneously, Ye Zhongming would hesitate to select.

He held the bloodline crystal and knew that this was specific to guys. He thought about it and decided to pass it to Shengyuan.

The Giant Shielder job fixed his role, and he would be the defensive type. He used his shield and job skills to block in front of Cloud Peak when fighting.

But when facing strong opponents, for example, six-star evolved, level seven beasts, etc, Shengyuans defense was too weak. He couldnt effectively block their attacks.

Even if he did block them, his body would suffer from serious injuries.

If not for Park Xiuying, Shengyuan would probably spend half of each month recovering.

So when this bloodline appeared, he was the first person Ye Zhongming thought about. After deliberating, he decided to hand it to Shengyuan.

Such a job along with the Mountain Roar who could improve his body. Shengyuan would be far more helpful, and his overall defense would be unbelievable.

With Shengyuan present, even level seven beasts couldnt hit the defense he formed. The people behind would be able to relax and attack.

With this bloodline, Shengyuan would reach his peak value.

After dealing with these things, Ye Zhongming started meditating to recover mental energy and stamina. The clean-up outside continued. After two days, Ye Zhongming was led by the excited Little Tiger to look at the spoils.

Ye Zhongming couldnt help but smile.

Sky Elephant Division also cleaned up the battlefield a hundred miles away from Cloud Port.

Although the Cloud Port defense was over, the gory scent and news of the big battle attracted many human survivors and mutated lifeforms. The corpses on the battlefield were all money, and Ye Zhongming wanted them all. Much less the people around.

Many people thought about taking advantage of others, especially the factions who didnt have the strength to assist Cloud Port. During these few days, all those factions had such thoughts.

The people who returned from the wheel were in a scattered state. They left faster than big groups like Sky Elephant Division. When those who wanted to take advantage met these people, some despicable things occurred.

Survivors who tasted some benefits became more arrogant and started attacking Cloud Port survivors that spread. Some of them decided to join hands and targetted the Sky Elephant Division, which had suffered huge losses and lost of their team.

The outcome was that they bumped into a heavy rock. Even after suffering huge losses, Sky Elephant Division was not something those random teams could handle. In just two hours, the Sky Elephant Division defeated the enemy that was two times bigger than them.

Battles continued for the next two days, finally attracting a small zombie horde. It wasn't too big, and only 5 thousand of them were there. Sky Elephant Division killed those survivors before clashing with the horde.

They had to fight and retreat. It took another morning before they got away from the horde.

The current horde wasn't the same as those at the start of the apocalypse. Most of them were level-two zombies, and the main core was level-three. Of the five thousand, there were 200 level-four elites with a few dozen level-five zombies!

With Sky Elephant Division's current state, they would suffer huge losses to defeat this horde.

They ditched the horde and cleaned up the battlefield. His expression wasn't good, and he felt something when he crossed his arms to look at his subordinate's work. He turned his head and saw three people on a patch of ruins.

Call yourself Bald Elephant Division; that is more fitting.

An annoying voice came from the young man, and his face turned even blacker.

With the three appearing, a well-disciplined team drew close. They were silent, and a black flag appeared in front of the group. On it was an exquisite beast drawing.

Demon Scorpion Division!

Chapter 613: Each with their own thoughts

As the apocalypse arrived and people experienced the Cold Warfare era, how they dealt with things became similar to those times.

For example, drums and war flags.

If Ye Zhongming were here, he would scoff.

It seemed like many factions were arrogant during the apocalypse. In truth, it was just because they were proud. They knew that humans weren't the most powerful in the apocalypse. Those who were strong were the zombies, monsters, and mutated lifeforms.

Soul Merchant, Glory Army, Sky Elephant Division's Resistance Zone. If you told them to head to a large city, no, medium-sized city, would they dare to? If they weren't forced to, they definitely wouldn't.

In Ying City, survivors dared to build their camps and even shouted that they were heading to the city to hunt because Talking Lady and Red Hair were in charge. They restricted their men so they didn't attack the survivor camps in scale.

They would even attack mutated animals and plants. They used them as their main energy source, reducing the number of mutated lifeforms and ensuring the safety of the human evolved.

Although people would die every day, and factions might get wiped each day, as compared to other cities, Ying City survivors had it much better.

Were you afraid that people couldnt see your flag? Were you waiting for mutated lifeforms to see it and chase you?

Ye Zhongming felt like this was stupid. He could place a flag in Cloud Peak representing power, but he wouldnt do this outside.

But some people liked this.

Demon Scorpion Division was one of them.

They came from the same zone. Guang Yao knew they were here to support him, but he didnt know why Commander Wen would send them there. After all, Guang Yao and the Demon Scorpion Divisions leader, Song Tianze, werent close.

Of course, he did recognize their strength.

Sky Elephant Divisions strength was in their shooting. In mid-ranged fights, they had an advantage that other divisions didnt have.

Demon Scorpion Division focused more on close combat. They were the only division in the T1 Resistance Zone that fought similarly to human survivors. On this basis, they maintained the discipline of the resistance zone and had great control of their bodies. They were more efficient and orderly than the Sky Elephant Division. One could see that from how they approached without making a sound.

As their battle styles were different, both divisions werent friendly to one another, and competition was intense. This Song Tianze even ripped Guang Yao off when he realized the chain tank could be placed into the armory.

Although such actions were normal outside, they were seen as unfriendly in the resistance zone.

After all, everyone was an ally in the resistance zone. It was the case even if you werent in the same division.

Guang Yao thought that it was the case, but he was wrong. After being ripped off, he was forced to head out to hunt. As a result, Sky Elephant Division suffered unneeded losses.

This made him unhappy with Song Tianze.

For this fellow to give them the nickname of Bald Elephant Division immediately ensured that his attitude towards him wouldnt be good.

Song Tianze, shut up if you dont know how to talk!

Little Xiu was unhappy and cursed. Due to her special identity, Song Tianxe felt awkward, but he didnt say anything. He told his troops to stay before leading two subordinates over. He looked at them clear the battlefield and burst out laughing.

Are such things even worth your division cleaning up? If you had the time, why not hunt some mutated lifeforms?

Song Tianzes words made sense. Finding zombies to kill and gain crystals was more worth it than cleaning up each inch of land.

But what was Sky Elephant Divisions situation? They had lost of their forces in the city protection battle to get to the bridge and during the wheel space challenge. Guang Yao had to be careful with

his spending and even placed the Lazy Man Cases into the armory to fill with bullets. Being careful to pick items here was better than having more losses in battle.

Song Tianzes words sounded ear-piercing to Guang Yao.

None of your business. Guang Yao replied and continued, Commander Wen contacted me, and I will represent him to Sharp Peak Mountain for the resistance zone meeting. As for where you have to go, ask him yourself.

After saying that, Guang Yao gave his team the order to prepare to move out.

He was speaking the truth. He gained an opportunity for himself. The resistance zone meeting was to set the plan for the future. Guang Yao and Little Xiu were enough to represent Commander Wen to attend.

This was naturally not Guang Yaos goal. He planned to recruit survivors along the way to make up his division. Moreover, he could complete their basic training and use fights to get them into shape.

Along with there being auctions, trades, and adventures during the meeting, he planned to regain some strength there, too.

After all, Sky Elephant Division had suffered huge losses, but they also gained things from this trip. Just the high-level equipment and crystal grenades they got from Ye Zhongming and a Violent Lightning Turret were enough to trade him a huge sum of wealth.

There was also something that he didnt express. He told them nothing about Cloud Peak and the Ying City Alliance. It was okay if Song Tianze wasnt interested; if he were and wanted to complete what Guang Yao didnt, he would have to bump into Cloud Peak.

If anything happened, then it had nothing to do with Guang Yao.

Song Tianze smiled coldly when he looked at their backs.

Do you think I dont know about Cloud Peak and their crystal weapons? Your attempt is too low level. I also want to see how strong these bunch that defeated you are!

He gave them the order to head forward.

Demon Scorpion Division was 100 miles from where Ye Zhongming was.

Chapter 614: Future plans

Ye Zhongming did see a large sum of materials before. Be it those high-quality materials from the secret realm or those he traded for in the trading market. When he gathered the materials during the center city defense, there was a large amount of them especially the latter two times, where the materials could be described as a small hill.

But this time, Ye Zhongming saw Many hills.

The Cloud Peak warriors that cleared the battlefield had split the materials from low to high levels. The sizes went from large to small, laid out in order.

Our people gathered half of them. As there werent many of us and we had to slice off the materials from the bodies, our progress was quite slow. But those from Ying City didnt come and help us.

Mo Ye, accompanied by Ye Zhongming's side, said as she looked at the materials. Even if she had witnessed these hills forming, her heart was pumping when she saw them now.

Women were more talented in this aspect than guys, and she was no exception. She knew the value of these materials and what they meant with Ye Zhongming here.

It wasn't hard to imagine how Cloud Peak and Ye Zhongming would digest these materials. Cloud Peak's overall strength would take a massive step forward.

Ye Zhongming nodded and knew what she meant. The various Ying City factions wanted to help but avoided suspicion in case Cloud Peak misunderstood them for stealing resources.

Ying City members gave us the other half. She smiled awkwardly.

After cleaning up the battlefield, those Ying City factions gave some materials to Cloud Peak. Their reasoning was all the same: they wanted to thank Cloud Peak for caring for them.

It did make sense as it did happen. But the true goal was because they wanted to gain Cloud Peak's good impression and sell them a favor.

They also gained many materials. Maybe because of Ye Zhongming, apart from Haidong from East Mountain Village that disappeared, there weren't any smiths left. To bring these materials to their true value, they could only seek help from Ye Zhongming. Giving materials to Cloud Peak looked like a loss for them, but Cloud Peak was the one who gave them the materials in the first place, and they were just gaining a little less now.

He was getting slightly less but gaining Boss Ye's favor and his priority to craft good equipment. They would also get closer to Cloud Peak, which wasn't a loss.

There weren't fools left in the apocalypse. Even if they were fools, they had followed Cloud Peak for such a long time and knew how to work with this Boss Ye.

The spoils of war doubled instantly.

Mo Ye turned her head and saw the groups in the distance that would often turn and look over. She said, Of course, they are cunning. The materials they give are spread but mostly gathered at levels three and four. Only the bigger factions gave some level-five materials. They are cunning.

Ye Zhongming looked at this female cop, who scoffed slightly to express her displeasure. No matter how cold or magnanimous a woman was, they were all similar in some areas.

This is decent too. It is easy to say that you want to win together, but it is hard to execute it, especially in the apocalypse, where the strongest person decides everyone. Many people ignored these rules. As a result, they would walk further down the wrong path.

Since he viewed Mo Ye as his military commander, he felt like he had to teach her about some views, We can't be like that. While ensuring our core interests, we can give others some benefits in areas that aren't too important. As time passes, they will become ours. To put it nicely, they will become our helpers and allies. To put it bluntly, they will become our shield, workers, and eyes to monitor the area around us. They will earn for us and help defend us.

Treating them well is treating ourselves well to a certain extent.

Ye Zhongming looked at Mo Ye, who was in deep thought, and continued, Of course, there is a problem of magnitude that we have to grasp.

Only Xia Bai was here, so Ye Zhongming didnt care about his words. These two women were the ones he trusted the most.

I will set up a Cloud Port Branch, and Little Peng will be in charge. Help them to select some decent people from those who didnt leave and build the structure. Then let some smarter ones from Cloud Peak who are willing to stay here to be the core.

Internally, Cloud Peak wanted to expand. This was the first time Ye Zhongming stretched outside Ying City, which caused Mo Yes eyes to light up.

Mo Ye supported expansion. Especially after Cloud Peak offended Soul Merchant, Glory Army, etc. giants, she felt they had to have at least the same number of people. So when they had conflicts, they wouldnt lose out in this area.

Mo Ye, Xia Lei, Liang Chuyin, Park Xiuying, and Xia Bai felt that Ye Zhongming should absorb Ying City into Cloud Peak. One could see that their ambitions were no smaller than men.

But they followed Ye Zhongmings strategy and didnt say anything. Now that they knew he wanted to set up a branch, Mo Ye was excited.

But isnt this too far from us? This was her worry. If anything happened, they wouldnt be able to assist.

Ye Zhongming nodded, It is far, but that is relative and ensures that this place is independent. Each place in the apocalypse will have its unique points, and I dont want all branches to be the same. Getting studied would be too easy, and having a small room for mistakes might not be a good thing.

Ye Zhongming didnt elaborate as it was too complex. With his experience, it wasnt easy to explain, but they would slowly understand.

But I gained the Ocean King Crown, and some of its stats are best used near an ocean. So even if it is far, we need a branch here. We also need the resources from the ocean. In the future, that will give us demon crystals and materials.

Mo Ye nodded and memorized it all.

Demon Crystals? Ye Zhongming asked about the crystals, and Mo Ye told him that Xia Bais squad was guarding them.

Lets go. Lets spin the wheel, but I will do it myself this time. Ye ZHongming thought about how he might spend a full day in front of the wheel and felt like the world was horrible.

At this point, the rushing Demon Scorpion Division was 50 miles from Ye Zhongming.

Chapter 615: All members get stronger

Ye Zhongming had many materials and crystals now.

Counting those they dug from the corpses and what he got from the Pliosaurus, his stash had reached a shocking level.

But not many of them exceeded level six. Although the Pliosaurus felt like they were rubbish, he wasnt a fool. He still played some tricks. Ye Zhongming knew, but he didnt care much.

The cooperation was very fortunate, and their discussion of conditions was very rushed. The ocean beasts went nearby to find crystals so they couldn't nitpick for the humans, which resulted in many crystals not being of a high level.

But this was relative to Ye Zhongming. These demon crystals were enough for ordinary people to go mad.

Level-one crystals weren't the most as the first evolution wave had reached the end. Level-two and three were the main bulk, followed by level-four.

Ye Zhongming counted and estimated the number of level six and seven crystals. He could eliminate seven options for the level-six wheel, and if he was lucky, he could get two six-star potions. If he was unlucky, that was another story; maybe he could get one bottle or zero. But he would get other rewards.

The level-seven wheel was advanced, and his chance of getting a potion was even lower. He could eliminate five options. With the amount of crystals he had, unless he was lucky, if not, there wasn't much hope.

The first three levels were a sure hit, so he wasn't anxious. He started from the level-four wheel.

The center city was chosen here because of the density of wheels. Ye Zhongming didn't need to go far to find a wheel.

The wheels were like gambling, and it was easy to get addicted. But this was only when you hoped to get something from it.

When you were spinning for things you didn't need, that feeling wasn't so intense. If such spinning had to last long, one would feel bored.

This was the case for Ye Zhongming. He wasn't spinning the first three wheels; just the level-four and five wheels annoyed him.

Fortunately, there were huge gains. He wasn't too lucky, but he wasn't too unlucky either.

He gained around a thousand level-four wheels but was slightly unlucky on the level-five wheel, where he got a hundred.

But that was expected. After all, the number of level-five lifeforms was lower than level-four ones. Cloud Peak was only in charge of a portion of the battlefield. Including those he got from the wheel challenge and deducting what he spent on the Violent Lightning Turrets, it was decent that he got so many potions.

Moreover, looking from another standpoint, he had nothing to be unhappy about. In Cloud Peak, only the core members were five-star, and there were less than 20. Now that he could have 100 more, he should be satisfied.

To avoid the shock, Ye Zhongming was spinning in a hidden space. Xia Bai led her squad to be on guard, so only Xia Bai witnessed the process.

But even with this seven-star evolved stone-like heart, she was shocked when she saw such a terrifying success rate.

Too shocking. This was the only thought in her mind.

Normally speaking, 200 four-star potions were already very fortunate, but to get a thousand. If normal people spun the level-five wheel, they would get four to five bottles, but Ye Zhongming got a hundred!

Especially when he joked that these were small tricks, Xia Bai had the urge to strangle him to death.

Because Acting cool was a despicable act

His luck returned on the level-six wheel, and he gained two six-star potions. This made Ye Zhongming, annoyed by all the spinning, really happy. But when he spun the level-seven wheel, that luck disappeared, and he brushed past the potion.

But high-level wheels had their benefits. The rewards weren't as useless. Even without the potion, the other rewards were decent.

For example, he gained skill cards, silver weapons, and function potions on the level-six and seven wheels.

As for those items from the level-five and four wheels, many of them were decent, which he told people to keep. They would be given to members based on their contributions.

Just the level four to seven wheels took half a day. Ye Zhongming thought about the first three wheels and decided to just spin the three-star potions first. He didn't have much need for level-one crystals now, so he could head back to ask Le Dayuan if he wanted to experiment with them.

After getting the potions, he started to modify the four-star potion. Although the process was complicated but, it was quick. With so many people, he completed it in a short time.

It was time for rewards. Ye Zhongming was a generous person. He placed the piles of three-star to five-star potions ahead, and Cloud Peak warriors went crazy.

When they got the potions, some of them cried.

It wasn't that they were weak or they were emotional, but they knew how hard it was to get these. They looked at the Ying City people, whose highest level was five stars, where four stars evolved from their elites.

But now, they would reach that level. What they did was far less than those from Ying City.

It was because they followed a good boss. In the apocalypse, everyone kept things in their own pockets, but no boss could take so much out at once.

They knew these potions were enough to trade for a seven-star potion for Ye Zhongming. But the boss gave up that chance and left all these for them. They were touched.

Indeed, the apocalypse was cold, but human emotions still existed. At this moment, everyone in Cloud Peak was touched. Their loyalty reached the highest.

First were the three-star potions, then four-star. Lastly, those who performed well were given five-star potions!

The core members looked at those emotional faces and realized that when this team returned to Cloud Peak, their average level would be at four-star!

That would probably terrify many!

As for five-star evolved, there were 200 more.

Who knew how those Ying City bosses who were five-star evolved would feel if they looked at the members of Cloud Peak being on the same level as them? They would probably feel so depressed that they wanted to die.

Boss, a group of people are here, and they look aggressive!

At this point, an alert sentry gave Ye Zhongming a piece of surprising news.

Chapter 616: Did this kid graduate primary school?

The Cloud Peak members were annoyed after being interrupted.

They were getting rewards. With one potion, they would become a four-star evolved. Another potion, and they would be five-star. Now that someone interrupted them, it was the same as someone calling you when you were about to have fun in bed.

Moreover, the sentry said that this team was aggressive. They had bad intentions. Everyone was pumped up, so would they be afraid of you?

Just one team? Ye Zhongming asked carefully and received a definite reply. The sentry said that he hadn't seen anything in any other direction.

Since that was the case, Ye Zhongming instructed everyone to get ready while he led some people out.

Ye Zhongming was sure that this group had met people who left this place. They knew who was left in the ruins of the center city. The fact that they still dared to come here meant they were confident, so he had to be serious against them.

Be it Cloud Peak or Ying City Alliance members, they were on high alert.

The most terrifying thing during the apocalypse was not meeting those stronger than you; it was those who were on the same level as you.

If you met someone stronger than you, you could flee. If you couldn't flee, you could surrender. If you met someone weaker, you could crush them.

If you meet someone on your level, be it a team or a person, they might decide to battle because of their self-confidence. In the end, both sides would suffer huge losses.

Such a situation wasn't absolute, but it always happened.

Ying City Alliance had been through a tough battle and was confident they could fight anyone. Be it Soul Merchant or Glory Army, even other factions like the Resistance Zone, it was impossible to swallow the entire alliance army. Thus, a third situation might occur when both sides don't back down, and it would cause a massive conflict. Ye Zhongming's expression became very solemn.

His actions affected the entire alliance army and made everyone feel like they were facing a strong enemy.

Both sides were shocked when Ying City Alliance Army and Demon Scorpion Division faced off a few dozen meters from one another.

Ye Zhongming was shocked by their discipline.

Cloud Peak was trained by Xia Lei, Mo Ye, Little Tiger, and himself and was greatly improved. As compared to other factions, their battle discipline was much better.

This often allowed them to perform better during battles.

But this group was much more disciplined, which was in their bones. This team wasn't easy to deal with.

The second point that impressed him was these five thousand soldiers' aura and gazes.

Very firm, stubborn Calm.

This was rare. It was unavoidable for one to be nervous before fights. People in the apocalypse used bloodthirst to counter this point; they used blood to replace it.

Such a team might have strong explosiveness but could only fight battles where they were at an advantage. If they met a tough battle, they would collapse.

But this team was different. They had a stable aura, proving they were trained and washed in battle. This was a team that could fight tough battles.

Apart from that, the third thing that he paid attention to was their equipment and weapons.

This team was all guys and only had one weapon: blades. The blade body and handle had a weird scorpion tail shape and were all white grade. Some leaders had silver-grade weapons.

They wore the same white defensive gear from helmet to boots. The four-item set was complete. Those leaders were stronger than ordinary soldiers; their gear was all silver grade.

The three leaders caused Ye Zhongming's pupils to constrict. He confirmed where they were from.

They were wearing Holy Army Coats.

T1 Resistance Zone, Guang Yaos allies.

Song Tianze was shocked when he saw this team.

After receiving Guang Yaos intel, he came here to support and found out about the Ying City Alliance. But he didn't care and felt like it was a scattered alliance. The core might be Cloud Peak, but it should be an interests-based alliance.

But now, it seemed like they were on the same side. He couldn't tell who was from Cloud Peak or Ying City.

This wasn't much. It didn't matter to Song Tianze and his squad.

But!

There were 20 thousand of them. If they fought, even if his side were strong, he would have to pay a considerable price to kill 20 thousand people.

Both sides had no hate with each other. He was here to prove that his squad was stronger than the Sky Elephant Division. This was a one-against-four fight, which was a huge disadvantage.

Moreover, what annoyed him was that these people all looked furious. This was the first time they met, so why were they looking at him like they were looking at enemies? Did Guang Yao do something before he left?

Both sides looked at one another, and no one made a sound.

Song Tianze was the first to speak.

Who is Ye Zhongming? Who is from Cloud Peak? Step out!

Ying City people were annoyed when they heard his arrogant words.

Cloud Peak was their caregiver, and they depended on them for food and benefits. If someone found trouble with Cloud Peak, it was the same as finding trouble with them. If they stepped out, they could ensure future benefits and have Cloud Peak as their shield. Were they afraid? Were they cowards?

Of course not!

People shouted.

Demon Scorpion Division was cursed, and they didn't know what was happening. Why were they scolding them? These people had no manners!

Song Tianze was annoyed. He heard from the dozens of dialects that he was too young. So young and he tried to find trouble with Cloud Peak?

As the Resistance Zone's youngest commander, he was young and bold. He had never suffered from this before and instantly lost his temper.

He roared, which caused the voices to lower, Ye Zhongming, you coward. Do you dare to accept my challenge? If you don't, bow three times and admit you aren't my match! If not, let's fight, and I can let your dogs shut up!

Mo Ye, who was beside Ye Zhongming, didn't know whether to laugh or cry. She looked at Ye Zhongming and asked, Has this fellow graduated?

Ye Zhongming shook his head helplessly, but he wasn't angry. He felt like this fellow who was around his age was quite dumb. He walked forward and stood at the front.

He waved, and Cloud Peak warriors followed behind him.

We are from Cloud Peak; we can fight if you want. Ye Zhongming clapped and looked at Song Tianze, But you have to wait. My brothers and sisters have some things to do. Wait for them to finish, and then we can fight.

Song Tianze looked at Cloud Peak's number and equipment as well as their discipline, which made him scoff. He relaxed. He nodded arrogantly, like he was telling them to do it quickly and not waste his time.

Chapter 617: Still want to fight?

Song Tianze acted like this because of the sense of superiority formed in the resistance zone and his faith in his division.

Compared to ordinary survivors, the resistance zone's information advantage had formed a gap in the first year. Apart from the Slave Race that made them tremble, they looked down on the humans on earth.

Guang Yao and Sky Elephant Division behaved like this at the start, and so did the Demon Scorpion Division.

They had never lost, which gave Song Tianze and his Demon Scorpion Division their confidence.

He believed it was the same even if he faced Cloud Peak, which defeated Sky Elephant Division.

Right, he admitted that Cloud Peak seemed decent, and he even heard that they had a seven-star evolved. But so what? The details showed that only nine-star evolved were invincible. The other evolved could be handled by other humans.

With their strength, they had to spend some effort dealing with that seven-star evolved. His strength with the Holy Army Coat was no weaker than a seven-star evolved!

So that person who should be Ye Zhongming was talking nonsense, and he didn't care. He would teach them a lesson.

But right away, he realized that he was wrong, very wrong.

That guy waved, and the warriors took something out.

He glanced, and his cold smile collapsed.

He saw that they were all holding evolution potions. The color was special, and they should be four-star evolution potions.

Four-star potions weren't good for a six-star evolved like Song Tianze, but what about 500? 600? Or even 700-1000?

Sand could be gathered to form a tower, much less four-star potions that were very popular!

Too many, there were too many! He glanced, and it was as if he saw everyone holding a four-star evolution potion.

Oh, he saw many holding three-star potions at the back of the team. There weren't many, not as many as those holding four-star potions, but what were they holding in their other hand? It looked like a four-star potion.

Pu pu pu!

The sound of them injecting could be heard. Cloud Peaks warriors injected the three-star and four-star potions into their bodies.

The four-star potion evolution was quite quick. During this period, the entire battlefield was silent.

This was quite shocking. Not many have seen a thousand people evolving at the same time.

After a while, those warriors woke up, and the team gave off a threatening aura!

Cloud Peaks average was three-star before; now it has become four-star! This included those newbies that they recruited along the way! It would be higher if they only included the old Cloud Peak forces.

People gulped.

A thousand four-star potions were gone just like that! Could these things be used to trade for higher-level potions? Why didn't Ye Zhongming leave them for himself?

Although others might agree or object to what he did, one thing was for sure: their gaze toward him changed. Such a boss was the dream of everyone.

Naturally, some faction leaders felt he was doing so for the returns. It was just an investment, and these people would create more value for him. Since that was the case, who wouldn't do so?

The Ying City members were the ones who understood that. They saw Cloud Peak strengthen step by step under Ye Zhongming. The gap between them wasn't so big in the past, but after this group evolution, people in Ying City realized that Cloud Peak had left them in the dust. All they could do was look at their backs.

The difference was that they stood more firmly on the same side as Cloud Peak.

Song Tianze's mouth felt bitter. He knew that when they injected the potions, Demon Scorpion Division's overall strength was weaker than Cloud Peak, which was much smaller than them.

He was confident, but his face felt spicy like someone had slapped him.

Ye Zhongming smiled at Song Tianze, Give me a while more.

He waved.

Honestly, Song Tianze had a phobia from that action.

The four-star evolved that didn't move previously, and some that had completed their evolution took out another potion.

Song Tianze was in a daze.

The resistance zone was quite rich as compared to the outside world. He was rich, too, but he had never seen so many five-star potions simultaneously!

He wondered if the entire Resistance Zone had as many five-star evolved.

Cloud Peak warriors injected the five-star potions into their bodies. This grade of potion needed a longer time, which differed based on body quality.

But that wasn't important. Xia Bai raised her head and didn't hide the glow of the Green Flower mask on her face. The purple glow caused the disciplined Demon Scorpion Division to be in shock.

Yellow Ball walked lazily from the back and rested beside Ye Zhongming. Even so, its body was like a mountain, giving off a king aura from its level-six body.

The core members of Cloud Peak also stopped randomly standing around. They came to the frontline and faced off against the Demon Scorpion Division. They were the core of Cloud Peak. They needed to step up. Be it to face the enemy or to protect their allies.

Those Cloud Peak warriors that weren't evolving all took a step forward. Before their partners woke up, they were the final defense.

Song Tianze's body shivered when he saw such scenes. He knew that he was wrong. Cloud Peak wasn't slightly stronger; they were on another level. They could battle the entire resistance zone.

That spicy feeling became more apparent. He knew that the guy who was of his age had just slapped the right side of his face after slapping his left!

Ye Zhongming waved and looked at him seriously. He asked, Are we still fighting?

Chapter 618: Extortion

Ye Zhongming placed a white leather armor down and exhaled.

This equipment was specially made for Little Pengs branch. One batch had 3000 sets, and it was a huge project. Even if Ye Zhongming was a machine, it took three days to complete.

This didnt include the weapons.

Ye Zhongming suspected why Cloud Peak and himself didnt get any smith jobs even though they obtained many job scrolls. That would help to lessen the burden on himself.

But although his wishes were good, he had no choice but to do it himself.

He had to delay the time he went to Linhai to search for the high-tech lab equipment. He estimated that he would spend another ten days here before leaving.

However, this provided the branch with their initial equipment, which improved their safety.

The others had stuff to do on the days Ye Zhongming was busy. Ying City members and those Cloud Port members who were willing to stay were repairing the walls and strengthening the various infrastructures.

This would be Cloud Ports base in the future.

At the start, this place would be too big for the number of people they had. After all, six figures of people stayed here in the past.

But they were going to develop this place in the future, so it was okay that it was huge.

As for the problem of the beast wave, Ye Zhongming and his subordinates considered it. But even if such a thing happened, the scale of the wave wouldnt be huge, so the threat to this place wouldnt be too big.

Even if something Cloud Peaks branch couldnt handle happened, they could just give up on this place. Ye Zhongmings idea was that people were the most important. As long as they were alive, everything was possible.

Although there wasnt much mechanical help, everyone was evolved, so they were human machines. They were very efficient. The Cloud Peak evolved all woke up, and a huge number of five-star evolved. They lifted the huge stones with one hand, so the repairs were quick.

A portion of the female members were in charge of dealing with the beast meat. These were the most valuable parts apart from the materials and crystals, so there was a meat fragrance around the base over these few days.

Not far away was the Demon Scorpion Divisions camp.

They didnt clash with Cloud Peak, but they didnt leave.

They didnt fight because they didnt dare to fight. Cloud Peaks group evolution had destroyed their confidence.

They didnt leave because they were being extorted.

They acted cool and wanted to leave like that.

Demon Scorpion Division came aggressively, and after bumping faces, they pointed at Ye Zhongming's nose and challenged Cloud Peak and Ye Zhongming.

Now that they accepted the challenge, their side was the one who yielded. They backed down and wanted to leave peacefully. That was not going to happen.

Ye Zhongming didn't want to offend the mysterious resistance zone too much and just wanted two sets of Holy Army Coat.

Demon Scorpion Division had good equipment, but that was only relative. Ye Zhongming could craft silver gear, so he wasn't interested in what they had. The only thing that he cared about was the Holy Army Coat.

Song Tianze's set was the same level as Guang Yaos. It was probably the best that the resistance zone could craft. They probably would have fought back if Ye Zhongming had extorted them for it.

Thus, he stepped back and wanted his two subordinates' coats.

Of course, they didn't want to give them up, but Xia Bai and Song Tianze fought once, and he knew that he wasn't her match. She didn't even use her purple equipment.

Either he gave over two sets, and everyone would leave peacefully, or Ye Zhongming would lead 20 thousand people to destroy you and steal it himself.

Song Tianze bit his teeth when he saw Ying City members tempted to fight and agreed to that condition.

He didn't want to give them up, but his rational side told him he had no choice.

If not for his six-star evolved body, he would probably have fallen sick from all his anger.

Song Tianze was unhappy but didn't choose to start a conflict. He took a step back and set up camp. At the same time, he sought assistance from the Resistance Zone.

His Demon Scorpion Division couldn't do anything to the Ying City Alliance, but the Resistance Zone could. The Resistance Zone had six divisions and a few reserve divisions.

If they sent three, no two was enough, along with the Demon Scorpion Division, they could sweep this group!

He waited in anger.

He not only wanted to snatch those two sets back, but he also wanted that woman's purple mask. He wanted to kill Ye Zhongming and squash Cloud Peak!

He would then gloat to Guang Yao.

Boss, the headquarters sent a message!

His subordinate, who lost his Holy Army Coat, ran in to inform him.

His combat strength dropped by a third without the coat, so he was even more anxious than Song Tianze.

How? Who are they sending?

The subordinate said, It is a request for a call from Commander Wen!

Song Tianze stood up and headed to the communications camp. He knew that communicating now was dangerous. If the Slave Race noticed them, their satellites would be destroyed, and many of their plans would stop because of it.

He took a laptop and keyed in the password. Very quickly, he saw Commander Wens face.

Commander!

Come back. Dont clash with them; I will compensate for those two sets.

Commander Wen didnt beat around the bush and said his decision.

Ah? But.

Shut up. Listen and just execute.

Song Tianze pouted, but his eyes were filled with unhappiness.

Find Ye Zhongming and tell him we invite him to the Sharp Peak Mountain Meeting. Remember, be friendly with him, even if it is on the surface. You and Guang Yao didnt do this well in the past. Now, it is time for you to make up. That is it, hang up.

The screen dimmed, and his face disappeared, leaving the stunned Song Tianze.

At this moment, a sentence could describe his current expression.

Face full of shit.

Chapter 619: Key alliance

Ye Zhongming was looking at a set of Holy Army Coat when he received a report from his subordinate that the commander of the Demon Scorpion Division wanted to meet him.

The two sets were white grade. After learning from his previous failures, he was very careful when modifying them.

As Little Peng remained in Cloud Port, Ye Zhongming helped to raise him to a six-star evolved. The remaining six-star potion was given to Liang Chuyin.

He was naturally very touched that Ye Zhongming gave him such a precious potion. He had gone from a low-level evolved to a boss. Six-star strength was the highest at the current level, and he had huge power.

All of this was because of Ye Zhongming. Little Peng had joined Cloud Peak and swore he wanted to make Cloud Port great so he didnt disappoint Ye Zhongming.

It needed some time to evolve to six-star, so Little Peng wasnt awake yet. But Ye Zhongming still planned to make one set for him.

The reason why he raised Little Pengs strength was so that he would be able to suppress internal as well as external people.

Once Ye Zhongming left, Little Peng would be alone with some core Cloud Peak members. He had to sustain the branch if not all of Ye Zhongmings hard work would go to waste.

But this was worth it. The ocean had far more resources than land. Once Cloud Port formed, this palace would provide endless materials and crystals for Ye Zhongming. It would also become a sizeable military force.

He took some blood from the sleeping Little Peng. he planned to use his successful experience in creating a set for Mo Ye to make another unique set.

But what disappointed him was that his first try failed.

He didnt expect it. He followed the same steps when making the set for Mo Ye. He placed Ghost Metal, Drill Ocean Metal, etc., precious materials, and also his blood to use the Blood Sacrifice Advancement.

But it still failed.

This was a white set that was very valuable. Moreover, Ye Zhongming couldnt find the reason for failure. He didnt dare to modify the second set.

Hearing that Song Tianze was looking for him, Ye Zhongming felt even more annoyed. He even thought about snatching over that fellows Holy Army Coat set.

When he saw Song Tianze, he rolled his eyes.

This fellow didnt even wear his Holy Army Coat.

He was defending himself. Ye Zhongming touched his chin and squinted his eyes at Song Tianze.

This terrified Song Tianze, and he nearly turned and ran.

He was proud and confident, but he wasnt a fool. He knew that he couldnt defeat the seven-star evolved Xia Bai. He probably couldnt defeat Ye Zhongming either. Now that he saw this guy use such a gaze on him, he was afraid.

This was the apocalypse. Although he knew Ye Zhongming was worried about the Resistance Zone and wouldnt go too far, what if he was crazy?

Sit!

Ye Zhongming pointed at a small stool.

Song Tianze took a deep breath before walking over. He was tall, so when he sat down, he looked like a wife being bullied by her husband.

But he had no choice but to listen to the order.

What is it?

Ye Zhongming was annoyed that he destroyed a set and was in a bad mood. He didnt even look at Song Tianze.

After asking and noticing that Song Tianze didnt reply, he looked up and saw that he was looking at that set in terror.

You destroyed the Holy Army Coat?

In the resistance zone, Song Tianze spent much effort to get the Holy Army Coat. Each division was given one silver, one white, and four grey sets. He paid a huge price to trade the four grey sets into

one white set. He basically went broke because of that. He would have been bankrupt if not for earning a lot on his way here.

But this set that nearly bankrupted him was spoiled by this person. Of course, he felt very complicated.

So what? It is mine.

Song Tianze was stunned by that reply, but he gave up. He lowered his head, Our T1 Resistance Zone Commander Wen invites Cloud Peak and you to join the Sharp Peak Mountain Resistance Zone Alliance Meeting; he hopes you can be there.

Ye Zhongming tossed those negative emotions to the back of his head, and his expression became solemn.

He learned of the resistance zone because of Guang Yao. Now that Song Tianze said this, he knew there was more than one resistance zone, and they were having an alliance meeting.

Ye Zhongming realized that his hard work this year had attracted the attention of the top tier of people, and they planned to contact him.

He could find out about the secrets of the apocalypse soon.

Tell me about it in detail. Ye Zhongming knocked on the table and asked.

Song Tianze raised his head and looked thoughtfully at Ye Zhongming. He started to say some things that he knew and could tell him.

Half an hour later, Song Tianze left his room.

Ye Zhongming stood before the windowless window and looked at his back view.

He learned something from this commander that he had never heard of.

What shocked him was that there was a Five Key Alliance in the world!

This organization was named after the first five keys on the keyboard. It included organizations and countries ranked in the top 10 of peacetime as forms of resistance zones.

This alliance knew that the apocalypse was coming!

Even if half an hour had passed, he still clenched his fist when he thought about it.

As expected, some people knew, but.

They didn't do anything.

No, they did many things, but none of them were to help ordinary people!

He, like hundreds of millions of others, was abandoned.

This made him feel betrayed.

Even if Song Tianze revealed why they didn't announce it, he felt betrayed.

China Region was very strong, so they had 4 of the 15 keys of the alliance. These were the C G, S, and T resistance zones. Each resistance zone could create its branches, usually using numbers to name them.

But not many of them had the strength to create branches.

Sky Elephant Division and Demon Scorpion Division belonged to the T1 Resistance Zone. Ying City and Cloud Port were in their territory.

Chapter 620: Full silver team

Ye Zhongming could guess what their identities were. Of course, they absorbed some survivors.

He had been swamped in this life, so he didn't come into much contact with the outside world. He had only seen some organization traces after leaving that city. Now, it seemed like those should be the local people.

The resistance zone probably started to expand at the start of the apocalypse.

Ye Zhongming had passed the stage when he judged things purely right or wrong. He knew there was some reason why the commoners were left alone. He may know the answer in the future.

At the same time, Ye Zhongming discovered that this meeting was to form a cooperation. It was organized at random times, and this meeting was already the third meeting.

Just thinking about it, he knew that the reason why they had the meetings was because there was an information gap due to the apocalypse.

Ye Zhongming didn't think much about it in the past because he only had one Cloud Peak. But after setting up the Cloud Port branch, such a situation would affect him too.

The four resistance zones in China came from the same foundations, so they would work together. They would have to know what each other was doing and trade information to make the cooperation smoother. They had to change their plans constantly. In such a situation, the meeting was very important.

Everyone would meet and discuss, and maybe a bigger plan would appear. In areas that ordinary humans couldn't come into contact with, the real human elites might have completed a beautiful battle and obtained many benefits.

The meeting wouldn't be so simple and would concern many areas. For example, there would be some factions like Cloud Peak that were recognized by the resistance zones. During the meeting, there should be many events that they could join, such as trading auctions.

There were naturally many benefits. Not only could Ye Zhongming come into contact with the elites of the apocalypse, but he could also trade and strengthen Cloud Peak and himself.

There were naturally many dangers, too. He didn't understand much about them, so this trip was risky. Although T1 Resistance Zone invited him, and that could be seen as a recognition of Cloud Peak's strength, from another angle, they understood Cloud Peak and Ye Zhongming the most. It wasn't easy to say if they were as friendly as Song Tianze showed or if they had other intentions.

When Song Tianze disappeared, Ye Zhongming still couldn't decide whether to join the meeting.

Working together, information, danger, trap, interests, answer

Many complicated thoughts surged into his head. He was judging their pros and cons and evaluating the risk. He slowly leaned towards joining this meeting.

He could put aside all other matters; the information he could learn from the meeting deeply attracted him.

These people from the resistance zones knew about the apocalypse in advance and grasped many secrets. Ye Zhongming wanted to know about them.

Since he had a preference, he stopped hesitating. Anyway, there was still a period to the meeting, so he wanted to use this chance to prepare.

He had a new goal, so he started to work like a machine.

He called Little Tiger and told him to lead some people to head to Linhai City to find out the situation of the high-tech equipment.

To ensure their safety, Yellow Ball was sent by Ye Zhongming.

He called Young Master Yun to lead some people back to Cloud Peak to tell Xia Lei about the situation and Ye Zhongming's decision. Moreover, she could absorb survivors to strengthen Cloud Peak and strengthen its foundations.

He earned a lot in Cloud Port. They satisfied what expansion was needed, be it evolution potions or equipment.

At the same time, Mo Ye selected a team to replace the team that followed Ye Zhongming. The two teams would take turns. But apart from Xia Bais squad, this team would be the most loyal and follow alongside Ye Zhongming, and they were in charge of his living and safety.

50 five-star evolved followed Young Master Yun. This was a huge increase in Cloud Peaks strength.

Ye Zhongming needed to do the rest himself. He had to equip the Cloud Port members and give Little Peng some instructions when he woke up. He also had to give him the Ocean King Mark to adapt to this place.

Apart from that, Ye Zhongming planned to equip his other subordinates; his goal All silver!

In the past, Ye Zhongming had to use Ghost Metal or Drill Ocean Metal to craft silver equipment. He used precious materials to form good weapons. But things were different. He obtained too many materials so he could use one material to strengthen each other to push it to silver. After enchanting it and selecting a good blueprint, he would likely get a silver piece of equipment.

He even planned to add some Drill Ocean Metal to some of them. There are not too many, but it just increases the stats a little. That would increase the chance of silver equipment.

Ye Zhongming had seen the Sky Elephant Division and Demon Scorpion Division. He couldn't deny that they were strong. Even when Sky Elephant Division came to Cloud Port, they could go against Cloud Peak.

But if Ye Zhongming equipped his squad and appeared at the meeting with a full silver squad, those bosses would reconsider doing anything to Cloud Peak!

He was even excited. He wanted to bump into those elites and see their strength.

Just like that, he entered a crazy phase of crafting. Apart from eating and slightly rest, he was either crafting equipment or recovering mental energy.

During this period, Little Peng and Liang Chuyin woke up. Ye Zhongming passed the modified silver Holy Army Coat to Little Peng and gave him the Ocean King Mark. Little Peng turned into a six-star evolved that was wearing green strength equipment.

But Ye Zhongming didn't forget about this warrior that he nurtured. He told Little Peng that his strength wasn't stable and there were many areas he had to improve. Job, skills, experience, tactics, etc. He needed to spend time adapting. Once he grasped his new body, that would be when he was truly strong.

Twenty days after the challenge, Ye Zhongming led a squad away from Cloud Port towards Linhai. Three days later, he met the tired Little Tiger in the suburbs.