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Chapter 591: Brilliant Rose! _2

But when one sees hope, the heart becomes chaotic.

The collapse of hope will cause the body and soul to experience another cycle of anguish.

Jin Ya was undergoing this process at this very moment.

Jin Ya was terrified that the conditions stipulated by Fang Mu would not be met by her seniors.

“Libra, please tell me the requirements I need to fulfill!”

“Regardless of whether our elders meet the requirements or not, the next time I see you, I will give you one liter of Brilliant Gold Honey as a thank you gift!”

Upon hearing Jin Ya’s words, Fang Mu’s eyebrows shot up.

Brilliant Gold Honey! Was it the same Brilliant Gold Honey that could enhance spiritual power when used in conjunction with Sacred Relics!?

Fang Mu’s current biggest worry was his improvement in spiritual power.

Given his abilities as a Grandmaster Creator, spiritual power had become Fang Mu’s only weak point.

The Sakura Tempering Carp’s ability to improve spiritual power was limited.

But if he could acquire Brilliant Gold Honey and use it with the Sacred Relic Sakura Tempering Carp...

Fang Mu was sure that he could overtake the rest and become a Biproong Star Tamer before entering College.

He would be on par with his talented peers in improving spiritual power!

Taking three to five milliliters of Brilliant Gold Honey a day would reach the maximum effect, and a liter of Brilliant Gold Honey would be just enough for Fang Mu until his senior three graduation.

Just for the Brilliant Gold Honey, Fang Mu had to trade with Gemini!

That Gemini could give him a liter of Brilliant Gold Honey as a thank you gift indicated that Gemini did not lack Brilliant Gold Honey.

Just as he did not lack resources as a Grandmaster Creator and could use those resources like running water.

If he were to help Gemini's elders solve their longevity issues, it shouldn't be difficult to trade for a liter of Brilliant Gold Honey every half a year afterward.

"May I ask how much longer your elder has to live?"

Jin Ya blinked upon hearing this, not understanding why Fang Mu asked this question.

Could it be that Fang Mu's method of extending lifespan carries a certain risk, and required a certain amount of life force to resist it?

If that was the case, then her great-grandmother was in trouble!

Her great-grandmother's lifespan was a major secret for her family, and if it was out, their mortal enemies would immediately aim at her family.

However, Jin Ya did understand the principle of not avoiding doctors out of disease embarrassment.

Jin Ya told Fang Mu truthfully.

“The elder I want to save only has about a year left to live. Otherwise, I wouldn’t be in such a hurry!”

“As soon as I saw the Golden Bull’s lifespan increase, I immediately came to find you!”

As she spoke, Jin Ya sighed.

From the moment Fang Mu joined Starwheel, Jin Ya had no intention of exploiting Fang Mu through trading Grandmaster Creator resources to help her great-grandmother’s Beast Master’s strength break through, increasing her lifespan by increasing the Star Marks in her Destiny Guidebook.

Her great-grandmother was familiar with someone in the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

Unless there were a holy creator in this world, it would be hard for her great-grandmother’s strength to increase again.

Or perhaps her grandmother could stumble upon an enormous opportunity.

But the scant remaining lifespan did not give her great grandmother plenty of opportunities.

Fang Mu responded immediately.

“I am currently on my way to Rock Peak City, the capital of the Panfeng Federation.”

“Because your great-grandmother has little life left, I can’t determine how much time I need to explore this large ancient battlefield.”

“So it’ll be safer for you to come here directly with your great-grandmother!”

“The method I have for extending lifespan benefits those with less lifespan more.”

“For those whose lifespan is deficient, I can supplement their life force up to ten years.”

“If your great-grandmother’s lifespan is more than three years, I would recommend you come find me to increase it when her lifespan is less than a year.”

Jin Ya’s face burst with joy upon hearing this.

With an extra ten years of lifespan, her great-grandmother could protect the family for another ten years.

And she would have a decade more to keep her great-grandmother company!

To her family, ten years were a mere snap of fingers.

But in terms of emotions, ten years were enough to offer solace for the feelings!

Jin Ya could guarantee that her parents would be overjoyed when she tells them about it.

But if they really wanted to bring the great-grandmother away from the family, they had to do it secretly.

Over the past years, those families had been waiting for the end of her great-grandmother’s life.

If they dared to infiltrate the castle and turn family members against each other!

With ten years, her great-grandmother could sweep away many ambitious forces, reducing the risks her family had to take in the future.

Just as Jin Ya was about to speak, she heard Fang Mu continue.

“The first replenishment of lifespan can only bring it up to ten years, the second time when the lifespan drops below three years, I can help supplement your family member’s lifespan to a hundred years!”

“Of course, it’s also okay to supplement for the second time immediately after the first replenishment.”

“Only that this will lead to a certain degree of lifespan loss.”

Fang Mu had trapped Shu Liangjun using this way with Ten Longevity Carp.

If Fang Mu could trap Shu Liangjun, he could do the same to the elders in Gemini’s family.

This simultaneously built a robust and stable relationship bond in his social network and worked as an insurance for Fang Mu.

Not only the Golden Bull, but Gemini and the people in Gemini’s family would also fight with their lives to ensure his safety.

Jin Ya’s upbringing had made her quite composed, rarely showing any discomposure.

Yet at this moment, over the messenger butterfly, Fang Mu could hear Jin Ya’s exclamation.

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After a while, Fang Mu heard Jin Ya’s voice wavering slightly as she spoke.

“Libra, can you really guarantee to enhance my family’s lifespan by a hundred years!?”

Jin Ya had heard of the method of prolonging lifespan by a hundred years before.

Some people in the Ancient Genesis had relied on the power of some top-grade pollutants to live over a hundred years longer.

However, this method of lengthening lifespan through pollutants carried too much risk and was not suitable for her great-grandmother.

A family is held together by both interest and affection.

Once her great-grandmother lost her emotions, it would be a tremendous blow to the family.

Hearing this, Fang Mu assured Jin Ya with a very affirmative tone.

“Enhancing the lifespan by a hundred years is a hundred percent guaranteed, and it might even be possible to enhance a thousand years lifespan before the hundred years lifespan runs out!”

“Of course, these are all for the future, when you reach the Panfeng Federation, you can communicate with me through the Communication Butterfly.”

After saying what he needed to say on his end, Fang Mu chose to end his conversation with Gemini.

The matter of compensation can be discussed when they meet.

Right now, more in Gemini's mind is surprise and shock.

During their journey to the Panfeng Federation, the surprises and shocks in Gemini's heart would gradually ferment and turn into gratitude.

It would be much more appropriate to discuss the reward at that time!

Despite having Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao with him on this quest to explore the super-large ancient battlefield, deep doubts still lingered in Fang Mu's heart.

After all, he was scheming against other forces that were eyeing this large ancient battlefield, and he would become a common target once discovered!

The arrival of Gemini and the family elders was indeed another safety net for him.

Fang Mu did not hide this from Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao and informed them directly about the situation.

Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao fully agreed with Fang Mu's decision to invite Gemini to the Panfeng Federation.

Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao had the confidence to ensure Fang Mu's safety, but when it came to the internal part of the ancient battlefield, especially when the Beast Controlling Force was involved,

They weren't sure they could seize all the supplies with absolute certainty.

Before the exploration of this large ancient battlefield had begun, no one could be sure who and what forces would take part in it.

Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao had some understanding of Gemini's situation, and it was highly likely that they would be bringing that old man along with them.

Although the old man's strength was not so strong as suppressing both of them alone, his Guardian Beast was very good at seizing things!

When the four official members of Starwheel gather at that time, it could be considered as a small team-building exercise for Starwheel!

After Fang Mu stopped talking through the Communication Butterfly, Jin Ya was dazedly blowing in the wind in the Sky Garden of the castle for half an hour.

Then she squatted down with her arms around her knees.

Jin Ya's head was buried in her skirt. It took a long time for Jin Ya to raise her head.

Although Jin Ya's eyes were red, there was no trace of vulnerability in them anymore!

When she looked down again, Jin Ya's mindset had changed.

After this, her family would no longer be prey coveted by others, but a ferocious hunter!

Jin Ya had initially planned to go to her mother's meditation room.

In the afternoon, her mother would always stay in the meditation room to accompany her Guardian Beast and prepare elixirs.

However, when Jin Ya entered the meditation room, she found that her mother was not there.

Jin Ya directly asked the servant who was cleaning the meditation room.

“Where did my mother go?”

Upon hearing Jin Ya’s inquiry, the servant quickly answered.

“In response to Miss’s question, the lady was called by the Master, she should be in the Master’s study now!”

Upon hearing this, Jin Ya turned around and headed for her father’s study.

Jin Ya was curious about what business could her father have with her mother at this time?

As a Master Creator, it was a routine for her mother to prepare elixirs in the afternoon. Could it be that something had happened in the family!?

Thinking of this, Jin Ya unconsciously quickened her pace, and her hands rarely lifted the skirt she was wearing.

Just as Jin Ya reached the entrance of her father’s study, she saw her father and mother walking out of the study with furrowed brows.

Jin Ya’s heart tensed up, it seemed that something really had happened to the family!

Matters regarding the family are not something that youngsters like Jin Ya could solve, hence she usually does not inquire too much about the happenings in the family.

But this time, Jin Ya unusually asked her parents

“Mom and Dad, has the family encountered any problems?”

The woman, who looked at least fifty percent like Jin Ya, pat Jin Ya on the shoulder and said.

“It’s the same old problem. Of the four branches in the Tianqi family, two have already confirmed their alliance.”

“The other two branches, seeing the two branches forming an alliance, also had thoughts of forming an alliance.”

“I....”

Before the woman could finish speaking, the man’s voice next to her spoke with a touch of displeasure.

“Why mention these things to Xiao Ya!? Don’t you know she tends to overthink things.”

“Since Xiao Ya is here, let’s go and see the old lady together!”

Jin Ya had never mentioned to her parents about accidentally being invited to join Starwheel by Aries.

Thankfully, Jin Ya could freely take resources from the family’s treasury, otherwise, it would be difficult for Jin Ya to trade supplies or get information from other members of Starwheel.

Jin Ya was about to share the good news with her parents, but she was unsure how to explain it to them if they probed further!

One of the conditions that everyone had to fulfill when joining Starwheel was to not easily reveal the identities of the Starwheel members.

Jin Ya racked her brains to come up with a suitable excuse.

She thought for a long time and couldn’t come up with any reason that would explain that point, but she still needed to say it.

“Mom and Dad, let’s go back to the study first, there’s something I want to tell you!”

“After that, we can go see great-grandmother together!”

Jin Chen and Bai Ying didn’t have much time to spend with Jin Ya when she was young.

Jin Ya was brought up by her great-grandmother since she was a child and had deep feelings for her.

The fact that Jin Ya would delay going to see her great-grandmother and want to discuss something, it must be of utmost importance!

Chapter 593: Trouble Will Happen if You Look for Trouble!_1

In the Brilliant Family, there were no distinctions between main and branch families.

Except for Jin Ya’s lineage, everyone else within the Brilliant Family was considered a servant.

This inevitably led to a lack of attention given to Jin Ya by Jin Chen and Bai Ying.

The complexities of managing the family affairs meant Jin Chen and Bai Ying had to invest significant time in decision-making.

Both felt guilty about this lack of attention towards Jin Ya, so they chose to turn a blind eye even when Jin Ya carried out some questionable actions.

Jin Chen turned around and pushed open the door to his study.

“Xiao Ya, there’s no need for you to keep us guessing. Do tell us if there’s something on your mind.”

“Given the family’s current state of affairs, you must take a servant with you if you wish to go out. You can’t secretly slip out on your own anymore!”

At these words, Jin Ya let out an exasperating sigh.

Five years ago, she had sneaked out of the Brilliant Castle without a guard and was found within two hours.

Ever since her father found out about the incident, he had not stopped reminding her about it.

At thirteen, Jin Ya hadn’t valued safety very much.

But now that she had grown up, she wouldn’t dare go out without a guard, regardless of whether the family was in trouble or not!

Jin Ya entered her room and locked the door behind her. Without waiting for her parents to sit down, she got straight to the point.

“Mom, Dad, I’ve found a way to prolong Great-Grandma’s life!”

“This method is truly effective; it’s been tried and tested!”

“I want to leave the family with Great-Grandma for a while to help her prolong her life!”

Jin Ya was direct and forthright about the situation.

This revelation stunned Jin Chen and Bai Ying, causing them to freeze just as they were about to sit down.

Even though they weren’t able to accompany Jin Ya in her childhood, they knew her well enough to understand that she was very careful in her actions.

They knew that Jin Ya must have been positive about the effectiveness of this method before mentioning it.

“Is this method obtained from the secret organization you joined?” Jin Chen asked instinctively.

Jin Ya was taken aback and asked uncertainly, “Dad, you knew about this?”

A hint of exasperation crossed Jin Chen’s face.

“Xiao Ya, you’ve been excessively utilising resources from the family treasury over the past few years, consuming more in a year than even the Hexagram Beastmasters who are tasked with Cultivating Beasts!”

“If your mother and I hadn’t noticed, we might doubt if you’re really our own child!”

“Only once we verified that this secretive organization means you no harm did we choose not to interfere.”

Adding quietly to himself, Jin Chen thought, “I didn’t expect the secret organization that Jin Ya joined to be capable of such things!”

If he had known earlier, the family should have offered Jin Ya more support.

Hearing her father’s words, Jin Ya understood that while her father knew that she had joined a secret organization, he was unaware of the existence of the Starwheel.

Moreover, neither her father nor her mother had the intention to probe further into her affairs.

Their understanding and acceptance moved Jin Ya deeply.

“Dad, I’m discussing prolonging Great-Grandma’s lifespan twice. The first time will add ten years, and the second time will add a hundred years!”

“However, to maximize the benefit, the prolongation of life should be carried out when there’s only one year of lifespan left!”

“The person I’m dealing with is currently in the Panfeng Federation, and I hope to take Great-Grandma there!”

Jin Chen and Bai Ying hadn’t held much hope in the method Jin Ya claimed could prolong life.

The Brilliant Family had always been seeking methods to prolong the lifespan of their elders.

Apart from having their elders form more contracts with Guardian Beasts, and trying their best to enhance the strength of the Guardian Beasts to acquire Star Marks.

The Brilliant Family also found some precious resources that could increase lifespan.

These resources could increase one’s lifespan by three to five years at most, but only by a few months at the least.

However, the more one consumed these resources, the greater the body’s resistance to their effects became.

Even if they now procured a resource that could normally add three to five years to a person’s lifespan, it would probably fail to add even one year to their elder’s life.

They had assumed that Jin Ya had obtained such resources from her organization, yet they were shocked to learn that it could increase life expectancy by a whole 110 years at a time.

This method of increasing lifespan was likely unrelated to the precious resources.

Bai Ying, excited beyond control, exclaimed,

“Let’s go! I’m taking you to see the old lady now!”

“Then we can arrange a Beast Car to secretly transport you and the old lady to the Panfeng Federation.”

“At this crucial time, we cannot let the other powers know that the elder is no longer within the Brilliant Castle.”

Jin Chen didn’t stop Bai Ying, but as she was about to open the door to the study, he said seriously,

“Xiao Ya, no matter what they ask, agree to it. Don’t haggle!”

“And try to maintain good relations with them!”

“If they can help your Great-Grandma increase her lifespan, they should be able to do the same for others!”

Jin Chen thought much farther than Jin Ya did.

The elder indeed held the highest power within the family, but there were many other formidable individuals as well.

Quite a few of these top-ranking figures in the family were nearing the ends of their lives.

Training a top-tier power was undeniably more resource-consuming than prolonging life.

Chapter 594: Trouble Will Happen if You Look for Trouble!_2

If every top expert of the Brilliant Family could live an extra 110 years, within the four veins of the Apocalypse and the two veins of the God Hidden...

The God Hidden Brilliant vein would become the most prosperous one!

Jin Ya inadvertently thought of the voice of Fang Mu when she communicated with him via the Communication Butterfly.

Her own parents probably couldn't imagine that the method to extend their great-grandmother's lifespan was held by a young man who was about her age!

Libra mentioned in their exchange that there might be a third opportunity to extend one's lifespan in the future.

However, Libra's response to this statement was not resolute.

Thus, Jin Ya did not bring up this matter to her parents.

The three people in the study were still visibly agitated, yet the moment they stepped out of the room, they immediately returned to their normal state.

Even those who knew them well would find it hard to detect any clues from their expressions.

In a room filled with many serpent beasts, a white-haired old woman was looking at her own palm with a complex expression.

If anyone saw the old woman's expression, it would be hard to tell which was greater, sorrow or reluctance.

At that moment, a slender emerald snake climbed onto the old woman's shoulder, rubbing its triangular head against her cheek, also harboring an expression of sadness in its eyes.

The old woman sighed lightly upon seeing this, shifting her gaze from her hands that were filled with liver spots like chicken skin.

She turned to face the green snake, their eyes meeting.

"I'm old, my faithful companion, but you're still young."

"I'm holding you back!"

Regret flooded the old woman's eyes, perhaps a fate every Beast Master must go through as their lives draw to an end.

The other snakes in the room also gathered around the old woman, their eyes revealing a wary expression towards the emerald spirit snake on her shoulder.

If it weren't for the intimidating potency of the emerald spirit snake, the other snakes would have wrapped around the old woman as well.

After the old woman finished her intimate moment with the emerald spirit snake, she turned around and picked up the other spirit snakes by her side.

Just then, Jin Ya, Jin Chen, and Bai Ying walked in.

Seeing the old woman holding her Guardian Beasts, her face revealing a profound grief and a reminiscing expression,

left a bitter taste in their hearts.

Usually at such moments, the three could only avert their gaze, but now they had a way to save the old woman.

Jin Chen reached out to fix Jin Ya's circlet and said,

“Xiao Ya, this is the opportunity you’ve secured for the old lady. You should be the one to tell her.”

At Jin Chen’s words, Jin Ya stepped forward to hug the old woman tightly, unfazed by the many serpent beasts surrounding her.

The old woman, upon realizing this, gently shook her arm, and the snakes made way for the young girl.

The old woman turned and embraced the girl in return.

Usually, when teaching Jin Ya, the old woman had always emphasized maintaining her manners.

In the old woman’s view, manners were extremely important.

However, as her life was drawing to its end, the old woman found that the things she had always deemed important no longer seemed so!

“Xiao Ya, as I’ve told you many times before, don’t feel sad.”

“Birth, aging, sickness, and death are the wheel of life everyone must go through. I’m just going through it a little earlier!”

Jin Ya knew very well how much resentment her great-grandmother harbored about her impending death.

Even though her great-grandmother held such resentment in her heart, she still tried to comfort her.

Jin Ya hugged the old woman even tighter, whispered in her ear,

“Great-grandmother, I’ve found a way to extend your lifespan. We need to sneak off to Panfeng Federation for a while!”

“With these extra 110 years, your life will have fewer regrets.”

The old woman’s body stiffened at Jin Ya’s words, immediately, her eyes shone as bright as the sun.

No one in this world cared more about their life or death than the old woman herself!

The old woman embraced her fate reluctantly, just like the Golden Bull did – they’d all accepted it!

Now with this chance to extend her lifespan, the old woman’s spirit was revitalized.

“Xiao Ya, is that true!? Let’s leave for Panfeng Federation immediately!”

“Indeed, I’d like to see how the Apocalypse’s four veins could be so rampant once I regain my lifespan!”

“110 years are enough for me to attempt another breakthrough. Once I break through, I will clean up the Apocalypse’s four veins!”

“Even if I am to die, it would be while our Brilliant Family is confronting them!”

Upon hearing her grandmother’s renewed energy, resembling the woman she remembered, Jin Ya smiled faintly.

She also became more grateful towards Fang Mu in her heart!

At this moment, Fang Mu had just reached the outskirts of Rock Peak City.

Only when he reached the borders of Rock Peak City did Fang Mu withdraw the Abdominal Territory Worm.

Members of Clan Zhenyan were currently stored inside the Mechanism Fortress, with Lu Xiaoyin in charge of managing them.

She Wan, as a member of the South-North Sky Constellation Chair, had also previously exchanged for a piece of Noface Star Paper.

Since She Wan acquired the Noface Star Paper, she hardly used it as outsiders couldn't possibly recognize it.

Fang Mu, She Wan, Shu Liangjun, and Shui Miao all put on the Noface Star Paper, preparing to enter Rock Peak City.

Chapter 595: Trouble Will Happen if You Look for Trouble!_3

They were intercepted by four towering city guards as soon as they reached the city gate.

"Where do you come from? We need to register your arrival."

"In addition, entering the city requires a payment of ten thousand Souls of Death per person."

From the very first glance, these four city guards determined that Fang Mu and his party were not native inhabitants of the Panfeng Federation.

Though Fang Mu and his companions adopted ordinary appearances with the use of Noface Star Paper, their bearing was exceptional.

Their faces showed no signs of anxiety or distress, unlike those fleeing from a major city to seek refuge in Rock Peak City.

Fang Mu didn't expect that not only would every person have to pay ten thousand Souls of Death to join the ancient battlefield exploration, but an entry fee in Souls of Death was also required to enter the city!

Ten thousand souls were not a small amount.

Remember, the price of Souls of Death was not low, and it was this price that allowed a large number of spirits to be hunted here.

Otherwise, it's doubtful any power would be willing to pay such a large amount of Souls of Death just to enter the city!

Seeing Fang Mu and his group delaying the payment, the four city guards showed signs of apprehension.

They were afraid that Fang Mu and his party might try to enter by force.

The captain of the guards insisted that the city entry fee must be collected in full, with severe punishment for failure to do so!

It was very possible the guards would be stripped of their city-guard status and sent to resist the restless spirits outside the city.

Yet with various powers currently converging on Rock Peak City, several guards — stubborn in their collection efforts — had already been killed by the entry settlers!

If the settlers had too powerful an identity, Panfeng Federation officials would not avenge the city guards' death.

Instead, they would only provide a considerable sum of financial compensation.

All the Beast Masters serving as city guards possessed certain abilities.

Compared to leaving their families with a compensation payment, these guards preferred to stay alive and slowly earn resources with their own skills.

“Once you register for admission and pay the entry fee, you can come and go freely in Rock Peak City!”

“No additional fees will be charged afterward, so rest assured!”

Fang Mu did not cause trouble for these four city guards, and directly handed over the required Souls of Death for the city entry.

Fang Mu, Shui Miao, and Shu Liangjun had already decided to low profile into the city and observe any changes.

With the joining of various powers in Rock Peak City, many of these powers were hostile to each other.

This would undoubtedly stir great chaos within the city!

The Panfeng Federation did not have the power to deter these major forces and maintain discipline within Rock Peak City.

When the time comes, they could take advantage of the chaos and release someone from the Town Rock Family.

As long as more than three forces were aware of Clan Zhenyan’s secrets at the same time and these three forces were not from the Panfeng Federation.

They will inevitably try to snatch them from each other, thus ensuring the safety of the Town Rock Family members!

On their way, Fang Mu had already instructed Town Rock Family to hide the faux ancient books created by Shui Miao 水淼 in a hidden place.

Without the ancient texts in Town Rock Family's hands, it was Fang Mu's second layer of insurance for them.

To have Shu Liangjun blend into Town Rock Family was the ultimate safeguard Fang Mu set for them.

With three levels of insurance in place and a promise of a lucrative future, Fang Mu has enlisted the Town Rock Family as his Chosen Clan.

Gu Anxing, Gu Qianfan, Gu Che, Gu Kun, and other direct descendants of Town Rock Family were looking forward to this operation.

The city guards needed to perform thorough checks on each Soul of Death during the registration process.

Thus, it would take each person at least five minutes to register.

Fortunately, besides the main city gate, there were still seven auxiliary city gates.

The guards at these seven auxiliary gates also screened the Souls of Death, so if you needed to queue, you could choose a line with fewer people to save time.

However, many people were still dissatisfied.

Some vented their dissatisfaction towards Panfeng Federation officials, making things hard for the city guards.

Others focused their dissatisfaction directly on the people queuing in front of them.

Without any delay, Fang Mu asked the city guards a few more questions to understand the situation in the city.

He was then loudly scolded by a woman waiting in line behind him.

“Can’t you guys make less of a fuss? Don’t delay us from entering the city!”

“There are heaps of Souls of Death right outside the city, just throw a few more over there!”

“What’s the need for the city guards to inspect every inch, it’s clear you’re just a bunch of country bumpkins with no power!”

Indeed, many forces gave the city guards extra souls when they arrived.

Once the city guards roughly confirmed that there were enough Souls of Death, they would let people enter the city in advance.

Fang Mu was not short of Souls of Death. On his way here, Shu Liangjun had slaughtered restless spirits, collecting over three million Souls of Death for Fang Mu.

Fang Mu’s conversation at the city gate with the city guards was intended to understand the city’s situation.

But he didn’t expect that while he and his party were quietly standing here, someone dared to cause trouble!

Shui Miao^{水淼} and Shu Liangjun didn’t react immediately. They turned their eyes to Fang Mu, making it clear they wanted him to make the decision.

Fang Mu knew that Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun were offering him a practice opportunity as much as possible.

Fang Mu turned his head towards the woman who just spoke out, and said coldly.

“If you think it’s too slow, you can queue at other city gates.”

Hearing Fang Mu’s words, the woman didn’t speak up, but a few men next to her began to curse loudly.

Their filthy words were unbearable to hear, and many eyes around them turned towards Fang Mu the spot of trouble.

However, none of the onlookers tried to stop the situation, obviously, they were all just spectators.

The four city guards, intimidated by the aura of the woman and the men next to her, didn’t dare to uphold order.

Since the other party couldn’t communicate, Fang Mu simply didn’t waste words.

He made a throat-cutting gesture to Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao^{水淼}.

Seeing this, Shu Liangjun gave Fang Mu a thumbs up and then snapped his fingers.

A flash of silver light followed by over ten wailing sounds.

Just as Fang Mu did earlier, the heads of a dozen yelling men and a few women, along with their accompanying Guardian Beasts, were severed at the neck and fell to the ground.

Chapter 596: Fang Mu’s Carlos! (Mechanical Heart)_1

For a moment, the atmosphere at the city gate was eerily quiet.

The four city guards inspecting the Soul of Death froze in place, and one of them decided to let Fang Mu and company enter the city first.

If there weren't enough Soul of Death, they would help to supplement it, just, God forbid, don't let this group of death gods stay here any longer!

Previously, these few city guards did not address Fang Mu and company, but now they began to refer to them as respected guests.

"The four of you, please enter the city first! The Souls of Death you have handed over surely have no problems!"

"The place here is not clean, and the bloodstains left by those things will bother your noses!"

"Even if it's not our turn to be on duty, we'll notify the next guards not to delay your journey!"

As the saying goes, good men are bullied, good horses are ridden.

When he exerted his strength, he showed other forces that he was not easy to mess with.

Not just the city guards, but also the people from the other forces started to be polite.

The most direct manifestation was when Fang Mu was locking eyes with people from other forces at the city gate, those who were stared at by Fang Mu would subconsciously move their gaze away.

Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao were not only official members of Starwheel, but they also had their own forces.

Faced with forces or individuals who did not respect them, Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun would choose to eliminate them.

If it weren't for accompanying Fang Mu on his training journey, Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun would have taken action when that woman was barking madly just now.

Being kind within and decisive when dealing with externals was a rare quality.

The world of Beast Masters had always been a place where strength talks.

After Fang Mu and the others entered Rock Peak City, a young man at the end of the line muttered to the robed elderly man beside him.

“Grandpa, they look so awesome!”

“They’ve only killed a few Diamond Rank Guardian Beasts, why are the others so afraid of this group?”

Diamond Rank Guardian Beasts seemed insignificant in the young man’s words.

Hearing the young man’s words, the elderly man stroked his white beard, and then rubbed the young man’s head with his calloused hand.

“Xiao Tuo, remember, there is always someone better. Don’t judge them only by their kills.

“Being daring enough to kill here shows that this group does not hold the Panfeng Federation in their eyes.”

“At least one of their team possesses a Guardian Beast of the fifth sequence or above!”

The elder’s eyes were not on Xiao Tuo, who was standing next to him, but were on Shu Liangjun’s departing figure.

The elder’s brows furrowed tightly because he had been unable to get a feel of the power of the bird that Shu Liangjun had summoned just now.

There were only two possibilities for being unable to gauge the strength of a Guardian Beast.

One possibility was that the enemy's Guardian Beast or exclusive skill excelled in Concealing Breath.

The other possibility was that the enemy's Guardian Beast's rank was higher than one's own.

Regardless of which possibility, the elder saw Fang Mu and his company as a target that must not be offended.

It was a good thing they weren't here to explore this large ancient battlefield, but to find a powerful Beast Master to help Xiao Tuo out of his current predicament.

If Xiao Tuo couldn't fuse with his Destiny Guardian Beast within this year, his Destiny Guardian Beast might die!

Fang Mu, Shu Liangjun, Shui Miao, and She Wan found a decent hotel in Rock Peak City, and they booked four rooms straightaway.

Just about any hotel in Rock Peak City now had astronomical prices, especially those decent and well-known ones.

The rooms in these hotels were more expensive than the workshops rented by the Creators in the Creator's Guild in Dragon Rising Federation!

During conversations with Gu Anxing, the current Family Head of Clan Zhenyan, Fang Mu found out that Clan Zhenyan had always been in the hotel business.

At least fifty percent of hotels in the Panfeng Federation were backed by Clan Zhenyan.

The hotel that Fang Mu picked was previously under Clan Zhenyan's control.

Fang Mu chose to stay at this hotel because he wanted to see which force now controlled this hotel that should have been under Clan Zhenyan's control.

Finding this out was not at all difficult.

It was certain that Fang Mu wouldn't inquire about this matter with the hotel staff and manager.

If he inquired with the staff and manager, the force controlling the hotel would immediately become aware of it.

If those now controlling the hotel perceived any relation between Fang Mu and Clan Zhenyan, it would be bad!

However, there was another way.

Fang Mu said to Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun.

"Ah Shui, Elder Shu, I'll trouble you two to cause a little ruckus later!"

"Sister Wan and I have a significant difference in strength. If we two make a fuss, it will arouse suspicion!"

Hearing this, Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun nodded with a smile.

"Ah Mu, I never realized you're so cunning!"

"The Luanyue Clan, who poisoned Clan Zhenyan, seems to be the most likely to take over Clan Zhenyan's assets."

"However, if the Royal Family of the Panfeng Federation hadn't given the green light for this, the Luanyue Clan would have been sorted out by the Royal Family after harming Clan Zhenyan."

“As far as I know, the Royal Family of the Panfeng Federation has always been above the three big clans.”

“Therefore, the Royal Family is likely controlling this hotel now.”

Chapter 597: Fang Mu’s Carlos! (Mechanical Heart)_2

Assumptions are just that, and Fang Mu’s assumptions were no different.

However, when it came to situations that could be proven, Fang Mu felt it best to confirm them!

Once proven beyond a doubt, it would prevent him from making decisions based on previous erroneous judgments.

Having spent half of his past life in academic research, Fang Mu was meticulous in his actions.

Upon returning to his room, Fang Mu settled onto the large bed of the luxurious hotel.

Fang Mu found the bed uncomfortable, likely crafted by advanced craftsmen.

Accustomed to furniture created by a Grandmaster Craftsman, Fang Mu’s tastes had been subtly shaped over time.

This was why Fang Mu, when playing the role of a Grandmaster Creator’s disciple, seemed to become more convincing.

Fang Mu noticed many surveillance devices in the hotel room, and Suxi, as a Mechanical Beast, was highly sensitive to these devices.

Fang Mu directly instructed Suxi to eat up the cameras inside the room.

Most of the people staying in the hotel belonged to various factions, and no member of these factions would allow surveillance devices in their rooms.

The hotel itself was flippant about its policies, and no one would come to inquire even after the surveillance devices were removed.

After dealing with the surveillance devices, Fang Mu unleashed Blood Clan Prince Carlos, who was now completely controlled by Suxi's exclusive feature [Electronic Butterfly].

Previously, Fang Mu had faced Blood Clan Prince Carlos directly.

If it hadn't been for the two Sequential Spiritual Instruments automatically protecting their master, Fang Mu would have been killed by Carlos's deadly claws!

Suxi had taken over Carlos's thoughts using the Electronic Butterfly, operating it much like Suxi's own Mechanical Heart.

Fang Mu could fully control Carlos, giving orders to him just as he would to a smart person.

Another Electronic Butterfly of Suxi's was inside the body of a Sequential Seven Patchwork Hacker, who was even more potent than Blood Clan Prince Carlos.

Complete control via the Mechanical Heart would take a few more days.

Carlos had sustained many injuries during the intense fight that led to his downfall.

After Suxi took control of Carlos through the Electronic Butterfly, it filled the vacancies in Carlos's body by devouring the corpses of Sequential Beasts to obtain Life Energy.

Carlos's body was now perfectly intact.

The figure standing before Fang Mu was no different from a regal and refined Blood Clan Prince.

Fang Mu reached out and pinched Carlos's shoulder.

Carlos appeared somewhat slender, but the muscles in his shoulders were even harder than Diamond Rank Metal Spiritual Material!

High-level Blood Tribe members were indeed adept at Blood Series Magic, but their real skill is physical combat!

Fang Mu finally had his own Sequential level power.

Although She Wan was his personal guard and would risk her life protecting him in danger.

Yet, She Wan's protection was thought of as an external force. Fang Mu trusted his own strength more than external forces.

Fang Mu had traded for a large amount of Blood Clan Prince's corpses during meetings with Starwheel members.

Fang Mu said to Suxi,

"Suxi, use Carlos to integrate some more Blood Clan Prince's corpses. This will make Carlos's power grow stronger and stronger!"

Hearing this, Suxi mimicked a voice through its gears and replied to Fang Mu,

"Fang Mu, I've fused seven or eight Blood Clan corpses of Sequential Nine. Now, this Blood Clan Prince's corpse's power can achieve the level of Sequential Eight!"

“Don’t worry, Suxi will work hard!”

As it spoke, Suxi placed its handle in Fang Mu’s palm.

Suxi enjoyed gorging on all kinds of junk every day. Having Fang Mu encourage it to eat more felt like a sign of affection to Suxi.

Over the past month, Suxi’s meals had greatly improved. Apart from the corpses of Sequential Beasts and Spiritual Materials containing various Elemental Energies,

Suxi was now freely gulping down fragments of spiritual instruments too!

The improvement in its diet made Suxi feel ecstatic. Its greatest dream was to stay with Fang Mu and enjoy an endless supply of high-quality junk every day.

Fang Mu knew that under normal circumstances, the conversion rate of Suxi using Electronic Butterfly to devour other Blood Clan Prince’s corpses through the now controlled one wasn’t low.

The only issue was that Fang Mu needed to keep the heart of the Blood Clan Prince for the Blood of Abundance.

All the Blood Clan Prince’s corpses eaten by Suxi were heartless.

Had it not been for the current unstable situation in the Panfeng Federation, where trouble could arise anytime,

Fang Mu would most likely have already fed the hearts of those Blood Clan Princes and Shadow Eye Stones to the Blood of Abundance and Fool’s Shadow respectively,

Helping the Blood of Abundance and Fool’s Shadow acquire more exclusive features by enhancing their quality!

Just then, the sound of a fight broke out outside Fang Mu's room.

Fang Mu thought to himself, it's either a performance by Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao or a conflict between or within other factions.

Fang Mu checked the time. It was still nearly twenty minutes before the agreed time between Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun.

So, the current conflict was likely not caused by Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao.

Fang Mu put away Blood Clan Prince Carlos and Suxi, and as soon as he opened the door, he saw She Wan standing guard in front of his room.

Shu Liangjun and Shui Miao also stepped out of their rooms.

Although the conflict between the two sides hadn't reached the point of summoning Guardian Beasts, both of them had already taken out their spiritual instruments.

Chapter 598: Fang Mu's Carlos! (Mechanical Heart)_3

The aura emitted by the two Sequential Spiritual Instruments prompted Fang Mu, Shui Miao, and Shu Liangjun to exchange a glance.

They now knew that someone was helping them to test the true strength of the power behind the hotel!

Observing for a moment, Shu Liangjun saw troops from differing alliances standing behind both disputing parties, their swords drawn and an air of tension overwhelming them.

They had already summoned their Destiny Guidebooks, which they could use to summon their Guardian Beasts at any moment.

Shu Liangjun directly spoke out.

“The intentions of these two groups are drastically different from our own; a genuine conflict has truly occurred!”

“They only held back from shedding blood due to an equilibrium of power between them.”

Fang Mu nodded at his words.

It is indeed challenging for outsiders to comprehend the internal affairs of Panfeng Federation, let alone the scandalous news that Clan Zhenyan – one of Zhenyan family’s three major powers has been discreetly usurped and overthrown.

The Panfeng Federation must try to suppress this news as much as possible and keep it from spreading.

If the news spreads, it will undoubtedly raise suspicions among other forces and could probably reveal the entire story behind it.

Moreover, insiders of the Panfeng Federation would never risk leaking such information.

If any force dared to leak this info, they would probably share the same fate as Clan Zhenyan.

At that moment, a voice rang out.

“Everyone has come to Panfeng Federation to explore the ancient battlefield. As we all share this common goal, why waste our energy infighting rather than focusing on the exploration? This pointless conflict is only making us a laughingstock!”

“We hope both of you could show some respect for our Qingdian Clan and call it quits, and for those who are spectating, please disperse!”

“If you are unwilling to respect our Qingdian Clan, then we won’t hesitate to use force and strip both your forces of your right to explore this large-scale ancient battlefield!”

The speaker was a man clad in green armor. He frequently mentioned the Qingdian Clan, and his armor was engraved with the emblem of the Qingdian Clan.

Behind him, several guards bore the same emblems.

The Qingdian Clan was the royal family of the Panfeng Federation!

Seeing this, Fang Mu was sure that everything that had befallen Clan Zhenyan was most likely the handiwork of the Qingdian Clan, the royal family of the Panfeng Federation.

However, the Qingdian Clan had only pushed the Luanyue Clan to the forefront, while they themselves remained behind the scenes.

The Qingdian Clan certainly wasn’t simple, and they must know more about this large ancient battlefield!

Otherwise, why would they cut off their own arm – Clan Zhenyan and then associate themselves with the Beast Controlling Forces?

After understanding the situation, quietly, Fang Mu and the others retreated to their room.

Back in the room, Fang Mu released the Abdominal Territory Worm from the Purple Ice Crystal Ring, and summoned Gu Anxing alone.

Gu Anxing was the only one of Clan Zhenyan who had been parasitized by the offspring of the Covenant Servant Soul Ant Queen. Therefore, Fang Mu was the only person who controlled his existence.

When Shui Miao and Shu Liangjun were not with him, Fang Mu would only meet Gu Anxing, not the other members of the Clan Zhenyan.

Although [Ash-Dyed End] a unique feature of the Blood of Abundance could save his life, even if someone from Clan Zhenyan were to attack him, the attacker might end up dead!

However, Fang Mu did not want to put the Blood of Abundance, which could protect his life, into a cooldown state and did not want to get himself into danger.

Fang Mu was confident that as long as there were no safety issues, his strength would surely be superior to others.

Even if there were really people in this world who had broken through to become Creators, they could only concoct Elixirs at a purity of ninety-eight percent.

They couldn't use hundred percent pure Life Elixirs and Elemental Potions as easily as him.

Furthermore, he had a brother and two sisters. They could call themselves the Fang clan.

The Fang Clan seemed to be thriving, especially since Fang Qin had been taken as a disciple by the Dragon Mother.

However, the core of the entire Fang clan was Fang Mu.

If anything happened to Fang Mu, the entire prospect of the Fang clan might completely fall apart!

Fang Mu did not distrust the Dragon Mother to treat Fang Qin right, but the bond between Dragon Mother and Fang Qin had just formed. It did not have a deep foundation and the bond of a deep teacher-student relationship was yet to be formed.

Fang Mu was always particularly cautious when dealing with his own kin.

Even if he passed away and the Dragon Mother still sheltered the Fang Clan because of Fang Qin, granting them a chance to develop well within the Dragon Rising Federation.

The demise would certainly be a grave blow to Fang Qin, Fang Yuan, and Yan Wood!

Seeing Gu Anxing, who was now attentively observing his surroundings with a somber look on his face, Fang Mu began to speak.

“You are now in Rock Peak City. This hotel was previously controlled by your Zhenyan Clan.”

“Now, it is under the control of Qingdian Clan.”

“You had previously revealed to me the situation within Zhenyan Clan. Now, I need to have a certain understanding of the Qingdian Clan.”

“You had mentioned previously that it was Qingdian Clan who lead the three clans, including your Zhenyan Clan, to explore the ancient battlefield.”

“I am curious – if your Clan Zhenyan got that ancient book, what did the Qingdian Clan get!?”

Fang Mu was already certain that the Qingdian Clan must have gained something.

Otherwise, on what basis did the Qingdian Clan win over the Beast Controlling Forces and allow them to settle in the Royal Court?

Gu Anxing, while under the control of the Soul Parasite Ant, would not lie to him.

For the promise he gave to the Zhenyan Clan, that is, for the future of the Zhenyan Clan.

Gu Anxing will tell him everything he knows.

Hearing Fang Mu's question, Gu Anxing fell into deep thought, seemingly recalling the events of the past.

After a long while, Gu Anxing responded uncertainly.

"Back when I was exploring the ancient battlefield, I didn't pay much attention to the people of the Qingdian Clan."

"But if you're asking about their gains, the Grand Elder of the Qingdian Clan hadn't brought anything with him when we first entered."

"However, when we left, I saw him carrying something that was shrouded in black cloth. It looked rather mysterious, so I approached and asked a few questions."

"I was curious why the Grand Elder of the Qingdian Clan seemed so grave at my inquiries."

"Before this incident occurred, our Zhenyan Clan had a closer relationship with the Qingdian Clan compared to the other two clans."

"Otherwise, after obtaining this ancient book, my father would not have shared the book-related situation with the Grand Elder of the Qingdian Clan!"

Chapter 599: Desperate for the Soul of Death!_1

As Gu Anxing spoke, his face was filled with pain and sorrow.

Especially within this hotel that was once controlled by the Town Rock Family, the feelings of pain and lament were becoming increasingly hard to suppress.

His father Gu Qianfan's choice to reveal the situation to the Grand Elder of the Qingdian Clan, was not out of foolishness, but because he knew that the Town Rock Family alone didn't have the resources to develop this large ancient battlefield.

He had already anticipated this situation of seeking help from external forces.

The Town Rock Family hoped to form an alliance with the Qingdian Clan, the Luanyue Clan, and the Liangfeng Clan to explore the ancient battlefield based on the contents of this ancient book.

Since the ancient book was obtained by the Town Rock Family, they would have a slightly larger share in the final distribution of profits.

This decision was made in consultation with himself, Gu Anxing noted.

However, because of this trust, the Qingdian Clan, Luanyue Clan and Liangfeng Clan banded together to slaughter the Town Rock Family.

Gu Anxing didn't blame the destruction of the Town Rock Family on the gain that the Qingdian Clan made in the ancient battlefield.

However, Fang Mu subconsciously drew that association in his heart.

Fang Mu believed that the fate of the Town Rock Family was inextricably linked to the gain that the Qingdian Clan made in the ancient battlefield.

Otherwise, there wouldn't be any reason for the Qingdian Clan to cut off its own strong arm, especially when the Town Rock Family was willing to share the spoils.

Fang Mu remembered that Gu Anxing once told him, since the Town Rock Family and the Luanyue Clan were tied by marriage, the Town Rock Family also informed the Luanyue Clan about the ancient book.

Because it was the Luanyue Clan who poisoned and killed the members of the Town Rock Family, during Gu Anxing and Gu Qianfan's report, they instinctively blamed the Luanyue Clan.

On the contrary, the Liangfeng Clan, being in competition with the Town Rock Family, was not informed about the content of the ancient book.

The plan was to bring the Liangfeng Clan on board after cooperation with the Qingdian Clan and Luanyue Clan was secured.

Let the Liangfeng Clan take the lead in the charge, but receive the lowest portion of the resources.

After exploring this large ancient battlefield, the strength of the Liangfeng Clan would inevitably wane.

This would put the Town Rock Family at an advantage in later competition with the Liangfeng Clan.

Fang Mu thought to himself that since the Luanyue Clan also knows about the ancient book, they're probably a target for the Qingdian Clan by now.

Even if the people of the Luanyue Clan were foolish, they should be aware of the principle that when the lips are gone, the teeth will be cold. It's impossible for them not to have any awareness.

The people of the Luanyue Clan are probably panicking right now.

Fang Mu was curious about what the Qingdian Clan gained from the ancient battlefield to make them make such a decision.

This thing could never be guessed at. Fang Mu didn't want to rack his brain over something without a result.

"Are you prepared?"

Upon hearing Fang Mu's words, Gu Anxing quickly suppressed his emotions and refocused his attention.

"Young master, we are ready!"

Previously, while they were in the Mechanism Fortress, Lu Xiaoyin and She Wan had referred to Fang Mu as the young master.

It's undoubtedly more appropriate for the Town Rock Family, who will be Fang Mu's Chosen Clan, to address him as the young master.

Even though it was difficult for Gu Anxing, who previously held a high position, to use such a form of address, he still managed to change his manner of address.

Because the term "young master" feels much closer than terms such as "sir" or "young sir", giving a sense of domesticity.

Gu Anxing knew that according to Fang Mu's plan, the return of the Town Rock Family would draw worldwide opposition.

But with the resources provided by Fang Mu, the Town Rock Family would rapidly grow stronger.

Once the Town Rock Family gained enough strength, it didn't matter if the whole world turned against them.

Would anyone really dare to make trouble for the Town Rock Family?

Any force undertaking a certain course of action must weigh the losses and gains, balancing between potential drawbacks and benefits.

Let those forces that are hostile to the Town Rock Family know that targeting the Town Rock Family would result in greater damage to themselves.

Their hatred toward the Town Rock Family would naturally dissipate!

More importantly, the Town Rock Family needs an opportunity for revenge.

If the grudges against the extermination of the Town Rock Family aren't settled, even if the Town Rock Family becomes stronger in the future, there will be a mark of humiliation left in the clan history that is difficult to erase.

As the current Family Head of the Town Rock Family, he would be vilified throughout history.

Moreover, Fang Mu had already given him a guarantee for safety.

Triple protection can maximally ensure the safety of him and his people.

Fang Mu nodded at his words.

"I've heard that the Qingdian Clan is holding a court banquet in the Royal Court in three days. The qualifications for attending the banquet haven't been announced yet."

"At that time, find a way to get into the banquet, and then announce the matter about the ancient book at the banquet."

"I guess after you make your presence known, the people from the Luanyue Clan will reach out to you in secret."

"Then, you'll probably find out who is the actual culprit behind the downfall of your Town Rock Family!"

On hearing this, Gu Anxing's heart trembled, his face becoming complex.

Gu Anxing understood Fang Mu's meaning—his words pointed to the Qingdian Clan.

Gu Anxing had considered this possibility, but he was unwilling to believe that reality was as he imagined.

The Town Rock Family had been wholly dependent on the Qingdian Clan and had always shown loyalty to them.

Although they had their own little plans for the development of their family, they had always cooperated fully with the Qingdian Clan's orders.

Chapter 600: Desperate for the Soul of Death!_2

If it truly was the Qingdian Clan of the royal family of Panfeng Federation behind the disappearance of the Zhenyan Clan, then the loyalty of generations of the Zhenyan Clan would have been in vain.

Just then, a knock sounded at the door.

"Greeting to the guest inside, I am the manager of this hotel,"

"May I come in? We would like to check the room and inform you about some new rules of the hotel."

The moment the knock sounded, Gu Anxing immediately retreated back into the Mechanism Fortress on the back of the Abdominal Territory Worm.

The Abdominal Territory Worm was then quickly drawn back into the Purple Ice Crystal Ring by Fang Mu.

The whole process, as smooth as flowing water, was completed within three seconds.

As Fang Mu was about to stride towards the door, a middle-aged man pushed it directly from the outside.

Behind this man were two elderly men, both exuding their aura as Hexagram Beastmasters unrestrainedly.

It was clear they intended to intimidate those inside the room.

Fang Mu realized the inspection was a method employed by the Qingdian Clan to ascertain if any forces had hidden inside the hotel discreetly.

As the royal family of the Panfeng Federation, even though the strength of the Qingdian Clan may not rival some powers...

However, the Panfeng Federation is protected by the Ten-thousand Nations Federation, so anyone who wanted to harm the Qingdian Clan would have to consider the stance of the Ten-thousand Nations Federation.

The Federation, after all, is home to a top Creation Master and several Advanced Creation Masters.

Among them is a top Creation Master who is about to break through to the state of Grandmaster Creator.

The middle-aged man glanced around the room only seeing Fang Mu, prompting the former to speak politely.

“My apologies for interrupting your rest, guest.”

“Starting from today, our hotel will only accept the Soul of Death for renewing room fees. The Panfeng Currency will not be accepted anymore. We hope you understand.”

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu lifted an eyebrow and asked:

“Is your hotel trying to drive guests away?”

“We can just live in another hotel then!”

While his words seemed like a complaint, there was a certain probing gaze within Fang Mu's eyes as he spoke.

Does the Qingdian Clan so desperately want the Soul of Death?!

Not only does it collect the soul upon entering the city, but it also does the same for guests at the hotel.

Substituting Panfeng Currency with the Soul of Death does, to some extent, devalue the currency and diminish the Federation's faith in it.

Still, choosing to go this way undoubtedly hides a deeper issue.

Since this hotel has implemented this new rule, chances are other hotels in Rock Peak City have done the same.

The middle-aged man seemed mildly displeased upon hearing Fang Mu's words, but he patiently explained.

"Our hotel has no intention of driving away guests. You will find the same situation in other hotels."

"Acquiring the Soul of Death should be effortless for you. This rule is considered for your convenience as our guest."

"You should know the current situation faced by the Panfeng Federation. We do all this so we can hope you would help reduce the number of deceased souls. We hope you understand."

Upon hearing this, Fang Mu raised the corner of his mouth.

"In that case, when we renew our room, we'll use the Soul of Death. Thanks for notifying us."

“Next time you enter my room, remember to wait for me to open the door after knocking first, otherwise I won’t be polite.”

“Keep in mind, it was you who first violated my private space, and even if I did something to you, the Panfeng Federation would not dare take issue with it.”

The words from Fang Mu stirred anger in the two old men behind the middle-aged man. The self-proclaimed manager of the hotel quickly apologized.

“My apologies for my rudeness.”

“We’ll wait for the person inside to open the door next time.”

The middle-aged man had noticed the Purple Ice Crystal Ring on Fang Mu’s hand as soon as they entered the room.

Although the man before him appeared ordinary, an aura of unmatched elegance and nobility exuded from him.

This kind of aura was something only those from powerful clans could cultivate.

As the manager of a hotel, he dared not offend people wearing Sequential Spiritual Instruments lightly.

If it weren’t for the order from higher-ups to inspect all hotel guests, the middle-aged man wouldn’t dare do such a thing.

After finishing his words, the middle-aged man and the two elder men behind him quickly left the room.

Fang Mu subconsciously scratched his chin, falling into deep thought.

The hotel manager had lied.

If the Panfeng Federation genuinely wanted to reduce the number of deceased souls, they could have initiated an event.

For example, they could promise free stays for guests who exterminated fifty thousand souls rather than deliberately collecting Souls of Death!

Fang Mu had initially planned to trade Souls of Death with the Panfeng Federation, but it seemed unlikely now.

Once the officials of the Panfeng Federation realized Fang Mu's need for Souls of Death, they would keep a close eye on him.

What Fang Mu needed most before exploring the ancient battlefield was to maintain a low profile.

He decided to wait until the exploration of the ancient battlefield was complete, and he'd obtained the items he wanted from the ancient books.

Only then would he figure out what the Qingdian Clan retrieved from the ancient battlefield and why the Clan so desperately needed the Souls of Death!

Even if an opportunity was handed to somebody, it wouldn't be truly theirs. Just like Fang Mu, who always carefully hid his secret.

Fearing that others might learn of it and harbor ulterior motives against him.