

## Black Iron 1241

### Chapter 1241: The Joss of Ancient God

Zhang Tie's arrival sent the entire Saint Petersburg in an uproar. In the evening, the entire city was covered with colorful lanterns and in a carnival. The Summer Palace was also holding a grand evening banquet...

They held this evening banquet to welcome Zhang Tie for his return and celebrated the Sacred Iceland Kingdom for tiding over this crisis brought by Sacred Light Empire.

Although Zhang Tie didn't tell them explicitly, all the people were firmly convinced that there was a powerful heavenly knight on Zhang Tie's back, including Pontiff Sarlin. With such a reliance, they didn't need to worry about anything at all. Therefore, all the big figures in Sacred Iceland Kingdom let out a sigh as they were excited too much.

This evening banquet gathered all the big figures across Sacred Iceland Kingdom, including all the elders, clan heads, junior ones and family members of bear tribes, those above chief bishop and chief priest of Ancient God Church in Saint Petersburg and Zhang Tie's lovers and concubines such as O'Laura, Sabrina, Mattia, Ballier and Ms. Olina and his crown prince and princes.

Among all the people at present, besides O'Laura, the most eye-catching females were the 6 women of Spencer Clan. With 6 princes, Spencer Clan which was known by beauties shocked the entire Sacred Iceland Kingdom once again.

Because the crown prince and those princes were born in the same year with the same strange phenomena such as giving out the bizarre fragrance and having black pupils, the followers of Ancient God Church regarded them as the certificates of Ancient God's bloodline and their black pupils as the Ancient God's pupils.

After displaying the mysterious manifestations, dictating the *Eternal Book* and having so many boys with strange abilities, although Zhang Tie was not in Ice and Snow Wilderness these years, his reputation grew more and more famous. More and more commoners believed that Zhang Tie was the incarnation of the Ancient God.

Of course, the tribes which owned the descendants of Ancient God were favored and blessed by the Ancient God. But what about those tribes which had no descendants of Ancient God?

In Sacred Iceland Kingdom, except for that sexy fox in Ewentra Archipelago, only 3 tribes had the descendants of Ancient God, namely; immortal fox tribe, wild bear tribe and iron bear tribe. None of the other tribes had the descendants of Ancient God, even bear tribes.

The predecessor of immortal fox tribe was the grey eagle tribe where O'Laura the queen of Sacred Iceland Kingdom came from. After O'Laura was selected as the queen, the grey eagle tribe in the south region of Ice and Snow Wilderness developed rapidly. Many small and medium-sized tribes which were related to O'Laura by blood went and sought for refuge with the grey tribe on their own initiatives. After absorbing a lot of immigrants, the small grey tribe had already expanded into a fox tribe, which would soon upgrade into a bear tribe.

Previously, the bear tribes in Ice and Snow Wilderness only paid attention to Zhang Tie's descendants. With the further expansion of Ancient God Church and the dissemination of legends about Zhang Tie's mysterious manifestations over Ice and Snow Wilderness, clan heads and elders of some tribes felt an increasingly growing stress. Although nobody dared doubt their clan heads and elders, many people had such a question, 'Why don't our tribe have the descendant of Ancient God?'. Additionally, they felt that the management of their tribes should be responsible for that outcome.

Even the three elders of the huge bear tribe were facing the same great stress.

At this moment, many young beauties which were brought by the clan heads and elders of each bear tribe were gazing at Zhang Tie as they expected that Zhang Tie could throw a glance at them.

After the crisis facing Sacred Light Empire was relieved, those heads of tribes who realized that Zhang Tie had a heavenly knight on his back were more awestruck by Zhang Tie; especially those old guys of the Cardinal Elders Committee. Since Zhang Tie got off the airboat, although he didn't mean to put on his airs, someone still felt the special qi of earth knight over Zhang Tie.

When Zhang Tie left Ice and Snow Wilderness a few years ago, he was just a black iron knight; however, when he came back, he had promoted to an earth knight. What an amazing speed!

Honestly, in Ice and Snow Wilderness, an earth knight could wipe out all the tribes. Those old guys were firmly convinced that Zhang Tie was an earth knight and there was a heavenly knight on Zhang Tie's back although they might not believe that Zhang Tie was the incarnation of Ancient God. With such a powerful reliance, even idiots would seize this opportunity.

Therefore, at the order of those big figures at present, those beauties from all the tribes became nice scenery in the fervent atmosphere of the evening banquet. Those women who had the best frames and looks in their own tribes contended with each other in beauty and fascination by singing and dancing in front of Zhang Tie...

Now that females of Spencer Clan could do that, women of other tribes could do that too. No woman would acknowledge defeat on this aspect.

Women and men had different battlefields. When women contended in beauty and fascination, the young male warriors and elites of all the tribes entered the stage to compete with their fighting skills and display their braveness to Zhang Tie. Although they were not fighting at the risk of their lives, their fights were very ferocious. It's normal for them to suffer from wounds.

Zhang Tie sat alone at the highest seat. He was clear about the thoughts of those tribes. O'Laura was sitting close to Zhang Tie under his left hand, whose seat was higher than that of the others. All the others were sitting on Zhang Tie's two sides according to their identities.

The atmosphere at present was very fervent; however, Zhang Tie felt cold.

In this fervent atmosphere, Zhang Tie determined his mind. Actually, that decision had gone off his mind when he arrived at Ewentra Archipelago a few days ago. Watching his 9 kids and lovers in Saint Petersburg, Zhang Tie finally determined his mind.

When he was young, he was dissolute wherever he went; but now, he realized that he should shoulder the heavy responsibility as a man. The future of these women and these kids had long been closely related to him and was destined to share a common fate with him. He had to look after them.

In such a state of mind, Zhang Tie became distant of those beauties from all the tribes at present.

As he raised his glass and proposed a toast, he threw an icy glance at the outside of the palace by his lotus-flower eyes.

At this moment, two brave warriors of the mutated bear tribe and mountain bear tribe were fighting ferociously in the palace. When Zhang Tie put down his glass, the combat had come to an end. The longsword of the warrior of mountain bear tribe was sent flying away by the longsword of the warrior of the mutated bear tribe. Closely after that, the warrior of the mutated bear tribe penetrated through the shoulder armor of the warrior of the mountain bear tribe by his longsword. Even though, the warrior of mountain bear tribe didn't retreat; instead, he moved forward suddenly as he roared and twisted the arm of the warrior of the mutated bear tribe by two powerful hands. Closely after that, they kicked onto the opponent's lower abdomen and fell backward at the same time...

When the two brave warriors sprung up and intended to rush towards the opponents in an emulative way, a silvery sound of copper bell reverberated around the palace. Closely after that, the two brave warriors who had lost the battle strength of one arm stopped as they knelt down towards Zhang Tie's table by one knee at the same time.

Those who entered the ring for a performance were all powerhouses above LV 10 who could control their battle qis and attacking rhythms. No tribe would find a boorish fellow who couldn't control his emotion; if anyone was killed in the ring, they would have His Majesty's spirits dampened.

"You're all the brave warriors in Ice and Snow Wilderness. Each of you could have one vial of senior recovery medicament and a rune longsword!" Zhang Tie told them calmly.

Soon after Zhang Tie's words, two servants had cupped the two items to each of the two brave warriors.

"Thanks, Your Majesty!" The two warriors answered calmly as they received the reward by one hand. Closely after that, they stood up and bowed towards the opponent before returning to the seats of their own tribe. They didn't need to cure their wounds with senior recovery medicament. After taking a vial of medium recovery medicament and having 2 days' rest, they would recover their wounds ultimately. The vial of senior recovery medicament could only be used for saving their lives.

The clan head of the mountain bear tribe threw a glance at the two top beauties of his tribe. The moment he wanted to stand up and say something while gritting his teeth, Bishop Maxim who was sitting among the management of Ancient God Church on the opposite side of him had already stood up and bowed towards Zhang Tie as if he wanted to say something.

"Your Majesty, Ancient God Church has been the national church of Sacred Iceland Kingdom. It's growing prosperous in all aspects. Ancient God Church has already won hundreds of millions of followers. We've built thousands of churches and abbeys over Ice and Snow Wilderness and Ewentra Archipelago. All the followers of Ancient God Church expect to look at the ancient god and offer sacrifice to the ancient god. However, we dare not make the joss of ancient god freely. Your Majesty, please gift us the joss of ancient god or the relevant speculations!"

The moment bishop Maxim opened his mouth, all the clergies of Ancient God Church at present had stood up as they said in unison, "Your Majesty, please gift us the joss of ancient god..."

Ancient God Church originated from the *Eternal Book*, which emphasized on the perfection of the individual spiritual world and the tranquility of one's soul and inner heart. There was no joss of ancient god at all. Those stone vats that were put outside the grey palace were just the emblem of Ancient God Church. All the followers of Ancient God Church treated that emblem as the incarnation of ancient god and the representative of the joss.

Over these years, some followers of Ancient God Church stealthily made various josses of ancient god according to their own understandings. Although being different, they all looked like Peter Hamplester more or less. Those who had met Zhang Tie could make them a bit more similar to Zhang Tie. By contrast, those who had not met Zhang Tie completely made the joss according to their own imaginations and the legends about Zhang Tie. Due to so many kinds of josses, those followers couldn't reach an agreement. They didn't know which one was real. Additionally, that church emblem was not personified and lacked intuitive influence. Therefore, the management of Ancient God Church was longing for a standard joss so as to end this chaos among the followers and made the followers of Ancient God Church reassured.

'It's just a sculpture!'

Zhang Tie didn't care about that.

The moment Zhang Tie told Maxim and those clergies in the grey palace to make a joss themselves through negotiation, Heller's voice sounded in Zhang Tie's mind.

"No need to be that troublesome. Don't we have the ready-made joss in Castle of Black Iron?"

Zhang Tie understood Heller's words. Because the josses in Castle of Black Iron were made by those people who were saved by him at the beginning. The first joss in Castle of Black Iron was even made by Agan.

"Is that...good?"

Zhang Tie felt that the matter of sculpture was trivial; however, he didn't feel comfortable having so many people worship his statue. He felt that it was like a playing house full of kids. He could accept it in Castle of Black Iron. However, he really felt a bit bashful having hundreds of millions of people worship him in the real world. That was too self-important and presumptuous.

"Castle Lord has determined to face all this in your real identity, not to mention a statue. Additionally, Ancient God Church was founded by Castle Lord, the mark that you leave in your own church could be regarded as a souvenir. It's greater than an unreal, strange and meaningless face!"

Zhang Tie was convinced by Heller.

Zhang Tie didn't speak. All the people at present were watching him as they thought that Zhang Tie was still considering the image of the joss. Under the gaze of the public, Zhang Tie shook his head with a smile. Closely after that, a joss higher than 0.5 m appeared in his hand...

That was a vivid mithril joss. The joss had shiny eyes. He was holding a broomy small tree by one hand while holding a spear by the other hand. He was standing in the fiery hell barefoot. A sacred and brilliant arch door was opened while those hopeless living beings in the hell were swarming into the arch door flurriedly with vivid facial expressions. That joss wore a bizarre immortal crown, which was covered with patterns of suns, moons, stars, insects, fishes, birds and beasts...

At the sight of that joss, all the people at present were shocked spiritually; especially Pontiff Sarlin and the other two people who had seen Zhang Tie's original look were all watching Zhang Tie with unbelievable looks, because the joss's image was completely as same as that of Zhang Tie's.

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#### **Chapter 1242: Only the Great Hero Could Reveal his Original Look**

Right under the gaze of all the people at present, Zhang Tie had people hand the joss that was made according to his original look to Bishop Maxim.

It was reasonable for those at present to be shocked by this scene. They were shocked by the joss instead of Zhang Tie's portable space-teleportation equipment. The moment Bishop Maxim opened his mouth, Zhang Tie had taken it out. This indicated that this joss had long existed. Due to some reason, Zhang Tie always kept it secretly.

At the sight of that joss, all the clergies' eyes gleamed. If not on such an occasion, they might have long swarmed up.

Those who knew a bit about sculpture and art understood that the joss was a masterpiece, not to mention the significance of the joss to the Ancient God Church.

Under the brilliant lamplight, the mithril gave out a mysterious and sacred metallic luster as if it had spirituality.

Undoubtedly, as the first joss of an ancient god in this world, it was qualified to be the holy item of Ancient God Church.

After receiving the joss, Bishop Maxim looked solemn. Although the joss was heavy, he still embraced it uprightly by two hands forcefully.

At the sight of the joss, the spot of the evening banquet was in an uproar. However, the moment Zhang Tie raised his hand, all the noises disappeared at once. Everyone moved their eyes onto Zhang Tie once again because they all knew that Zhang Tie wanted to say something.

Not knowing why, when Zhang Tie was going to make such an important decision, he felt tranquil and frank.

Not until then did Zhang Tie really understand the sentence of Zhao Yuan—'No matter what, just ask yourself whether you're afraid of death or not!' It meant, only the great hero could reveal his original look!

Over the past years, Zhang Tie changed his identity between Zhang Tie, Peter Hamplester and Cui Li due to different situations positively or negatively. Therefore, he had different experiences and memories. Now, it was time for everything to return to their original look.

‘Even Gold and Power Law, the imperial households of Taixia Country, Han Zhengfang, demons and Three-eye Association might have known the secret, why do I cover it in front of my closest people?’

The process from Zhang Tie to Peter and Cui Li and from multiple identities back to Zhang Tie was a nirvana for Zhang Tie’s soul and growth.

After experiencing the complete collapse of Waii Subcontinent and the crises brought by the Gobbling Party, Han Zhengfang, the Heavens Reaching Church and the Sacred Light Empire, Zhang Tie found that he could now bear any enemy and stress. He could not escape any enemy or stress only by changing one identity. What was destined to happen would happen sooner or later. In this age, battle strength determined everything. In this case, he didn’t need to wear his mask anymore here.

Under the quiet gaze of everybody at present, Zhang Tie took his glass as he stood up and came to the front of Ms. Olina. He revealed a tender smile towards Ms. Olina as he said, “You’re the first one that I met in Saint Herner Island. Thank God, I saved you from the raid of those bandits of Demon Snake Island. When I saw you, I knew that the God favored me. It was you who made that shadow in my dream rich, warm, alive and beautiful. Do you know I was so moved when you ordered your subordinates to kill that b\*stard of demon snake island who provoked Seablue Castle? From that day on, I’ve determined to protect you for the rest of your life. I propose a toast to you for loving me and protecting me!”

Zhang Tie raised his head as he bottomed up that glass of liquor.

As tears fell into her glass from Ms. Olina’s face, she bottomed up her glass of liquor too.

After hearing Zhang Tie’s sincere monologue, not only Ms. Olina, even O’Laura, Sabrina and all the other women had dropped off their tears.

Watching Zhang Tie stretching out his empty glass towards them, a maid on his side hurriedly filled his glass once again.

Holding his glass, Zhang Tie came to the front of O’Laura as he said, “The karma between humans is strange. When you wanted to kill me for 5,000 gold coins as a bounty hunter, we’ve already been destined to stay with each other. Thank God, you didn’t chop off my head and exchange it for 5,000 gold coins in Eschyle City when I lost my ability to resist; instead, you spared a chance for me, who didn’t look like a bad person. You spared me a chance to prove myself and move your mask away from your face. Do you know that you’re most beautiful when you envy other women in front of me and set me free while refusing the 500,000 gold coins paid by others? In my eyes, your beautiful look is unrivaled and earthshaking. Do you remember what you told me at that time? You could risk your life to be a bounty hunter for money; however, you dislike to do any trade with the person whom you love. Because I’m priceless in your eyes. Even if you urgently need money, you would not trade me for 5,000 gold coins, 500,000 gold coins or more. I also want to let you know that you’re also priceless in my eyes. I won’t trade you for anything. It’s my greatest achievement in Ice and Snow Wilderness to give you a happy home. I propose a toast to you for loving me and protecting me!”

O’Laura bottomed up her glass of liquor with tears over her face.

Zhang Tie came to the front of Sabrina with the third glass of liquor.

“You’re the most beautiful scenery that I saw in the water. I could still clearly remember the plot when you swam in the river. That was my most beautiful encounter. In water, you were a mermaid. On the back of a xiphodon, you were a spirit with a smile. Everybody else said you were a slut; however, only I knew that you were as innocent as the most crystal white snow on the top of Elzida Mountain until you got pregnant. You’re qualified to be the goddess. In the underground relics, in the most hopeless environment, you always stood by my side. Even if all the others thought that I was scared stiff, you still didn’t give up. Do you remember what did you say to me at that time? I still remember your words. You said, “my little man, don’t worry; we could still keep in touch with the outside. The rescue teams of the wild bear tribe and the other tribes would arrive here in a few days. As long as we stood 3 more months here, we would be saved for sure. As long as I could leave out of here alive, I would definitely take you out of here.” Sabrina, thank you for sparing me a chance to be your man. I propose a toast to you for loving me and protecting me!”

Sabrina bottomed up her glass of liquor with tears over her face too.

The entire palace became silent. Even Tally the old wild bear on the side of Sabrina threw a glance at her with jumping eyebrows when he heard that Sabrina was the most crystal white snow on the top of Elzida Mountain.

Zhang Tie then walked to the front of the 6 women of Spencer Clan with the 4th glass of liquor.

“This glass of liquor is for our encounter. Although we have no romantic encounter, memorable experience of difficulties, I still respect you. Do you know why? Because in my eyes, you’re also great women. Although being women, you shoulder the responsibility which couldn’t even be assumed by men. You assume the hope of reinvigorating your clan. You didn’t marry me; instead, you have married your clan which delivered you and raised you up. I know that each young and beautiful woman have their own dream. You have your own Mr. Right. I might not be that person in your dream; however, you still treat me sincerely and make me happy without regret. You realize the reinvigoration of Spencer Clan at the cost of your youth and whole lives. It’s a sacrifice and the supreme righteous deed of a woman. My mom once told me that when a woman could abandon herself for her family or sacrifice herself for others, she deserves to be treasured and loved. Perhaps others only see your beautiful look and shrewdness, but I see your noble temperament and soul. When our kids grow up, I will tell them that their moms are great and admired by their dad. Thank you for loving me and protecting me!”

Zhang Tie bottomed up for the 4th time.

When Zhang Tie had not finished his words, the 6 women who had received strict education and always manifested themselves to the public with a shrewd and elegant image had long been covering their mouths tearfully. They watched this man who occupied their bodies and future as if they had just recognized him.

After hearing Zhang Tie’s words, Elder Turing threw a complex glance at those women as he let out a sigh gloomily. Anatoli, Victor, Orego and the other kids were looking at Zhang Tie and their moms with widely opened eyes. They didn’t know why this man whom they saw for the first time could make their moms drop their tears only by saying a few words.

“Beloved ones are rarest in the world. In Ice and Snow Wilderness, Sacred Iceland Kingdom, my biggest wealth is not my imperial throne, power, numerous gold coins or the worship from billions of people, but you. You’re my biggest wealth and most precious things!” Zhang Tie looked at his women as he added, “Please forgive me and believe me that I didn’t mean to cheat you. When I came to Ice and Snow Wilderness in the identity of Peter Hamplester, I’ve not imagined that I could meet you here. Not until today you have seen my original look!”

As Zhang Tie spoke, his hair and pupils started to turn black while his figure and look gradually turned into his original look under the gaze of everybody else at present—a Hua teenager at about 16 years old.

“My real name is Zhang Tie. You might have already heard this name!”

The palace became quiet at this moment as if they had just been struck by lightning bolts...

#### Chapter 1243: The Appearance of A Powerful Enemy

All the people at present were stunned by what they saw, including those who had just known Zhang Tie’s real identity and those who had just seen Zhang Tie’s body-changing immortal bloodline.

Even the 3 elders of the huge bear tribe who had known Zhang Tie’s real identity were dumbfounded by Zhang Tie’s body-changing bloodline. Although they knew that Zhang Tie had grasped some disguising skills, they had not imagined that Zhang Tie could change his look in the public in such a shocking manner.

Hua people thought immortal bloodlines were most mysterious, astonishing and closest to the ancestors of Hua people among the ancestral bloodlines. From a perspective, immortal bloodlines were closest to that of immortals.

In places outside Taixia Country which were not polished by Hua culture, immortal bloodlines were as shocking as the manifestations of God’s will.

In the legends of the Western Continent and among Slavs, only God could change his look in the public. According to the familiar plots in epics and classic myths among Slavs, the God left the immortal mountain or the paradise from where he ruled the world and came to the mortal world in the incarnation of a male. He married a mortal woman and gave birth to semi-Gods or heroes who had extraordinary abilities. They had the bloodlines of God; therefore, they ruled the world on behalf of God. There were many similar stories in the traditional cultures of Slavs.

It was out of their imagination that such a plot could happen in front of them.

Zhang Tie’s body-changing bloodline and the extraordinary specialties and abnormal phenomena of the crown prince and the 8 princes when they were born were reappearances of the plots in classic myths.

These people in the banquet; especially those pious followers of Ancient God Church were thrilled so much that they couldn’t even control themselves when they witnessed the plots in the epics and classic myths.

Zhang Tie recovered his original look; however, he reappeared the plots in classic myths unconsciously.



Although others might not have heard about the name of Zhang Tie, those knights in the Cardinal Elders Committee were so familiar with this name; because this name was far more famous than that of Peter Hamplester in knight's world and was the legend among knights.

Ms. Olina, O'Laura, Sabrina and the 6 women of Spencer Clan were too shocked that they covered their mouths by hands at the same time.

At this moment, besides a few people, most of the people in the palace of the Summer Palace felt their heads buzzing and their hearts pounding; however, they remained silent and didn't know what to say.

Right in the silence, the palace reverberated with Pontiff Sarlin's sacred and ethereal sound...

"Our lord's look belongs to himself; however, the others couldn't identity his original look..."

"Our Lord, the creator who established the immortal undertaking comes from the east and the south..."

"Our Lord's most powerful weapon is the spear in his hand, which carries a terrifying, destructive power like that of a lightning bolt. His weapon will destroy all the enemies in front of us..."

"As the most sacred one among all the identities. He grasps all the powers of gods. He will bring the brilliance in the paradise to the mortal world and let everyone return to their original honor, regardless of gender and race!"

This was the prophecy of Elzida the greatest prophet among Slavs.

After hearing Pontiff Sarlin's words, everybody in the palace recovered their composure.

Zhang Tie had returned to his imperial seat. As he looked at those people at present, his words shocked them once again.

"From tomorrow onwards, I will abdicate as the tsar of Sacred Iceland Kingdom. Andre, the son of O'Laura and I will become the new tsar. Andre will ascend to the throne at the age of 18. Before that, Queen O'Laura will administer the affairs of state while being aided by the elders in the Cardinal Elders Committee. All the others remain unchanged..."

'His Majesty is going to abdicate?'

Zhang Tie's decision blew over the palace like a hurricane as fast as a lightning bolt.

'Why? Why?'

Everybody at present had the same question.

Zhang Tie's following words answered this question.

"After abdication, I will not assume as any title in the Sacred Iceland Kingdom and Ancient God Church. I will take Andre and the other kids to Eastern Continent, where they would receive the best education. I hope they could assume their own responsibilities in the future!"

All the people at present immediately understood that Zhang Tie gave up his imperial throne for the sake of his family and those beloved ones.

If Zhang Tie was still tsar, it was equal to giving up the entire Sacred Iceland Kingdom when he took all of his family members to Eastern Continent; however, it was acceptable if he gave up the imperial throne of tsar and took his kids to Eastern Continent for better education before the new tsar grew mature.

Everybody understood it; however, different people would always have different understandings.

O’Laura and the other women were watching Zhang Tie with complex expressions. Zhang Tie told them they were his most precious things just now. Only after such a short while, he had put his words into action. He could abandon everything in the Sacred Iceland Kingdom for the most precious things, including the much-adored, powerful imperial throne.

By contrast, Bishop Maxim and the other pastors accepted this fact most quietly. In all the legends and myths, when the deity exposed his real identity, he would leave the mortal world and return to his paradise or the immortal mountain. By then, no deity would continue to be fascinated by the power in the mortal world and sit in the mortal imperial throne. What happened in front of them were making the myths come true step by step.

Although Taixia Country and Eastern Continent were not paradises and immortal mountains, how could the deity’s world be understood by mortals?

Zhang Tie became unprecedentedly relaxed at this moment. He sensed that he had really got rid of the affairs about Ice and Snow Wilderness and accomplished the promise that he had made to Pontiff Sarlin and the others. He lived up to Elzida who had seen him through the time and space maze.

To be honest, Zhang Tie didn’t feel being great by making such a decision. He even felt being a bit selfish. He thought that he just took the most precious things with him so that he could protect and look after them well.

It was a simple multiple choice between “beloved ones” and the imperial throne. Zhang Tie chose the first one.

The Sacred Iceland Kingdom was just a small country in a subcontinent, which was nothing in Zhang Tie’s eyes. He didn’t want his women to waste their precious days in this place. The outside world was bigger and broader. ‘After leaving, if Andre and the others kids grow up, they could come back if they want. With my overall strength, do I need to worry about these things being robbed away? Additionally, after having private airboats, it’s nothing difficult for O’Laura and the other women to come back as long as they want.’

“Heh...heh...do you want to leave in this way?” An icy voice drifted from outside in an overwhelming manner when it was quiet in the palace. After hearing this sound, everybody’s heart pounded while all the members of the Cardinal Seniors Committee changed their faces greatly...

## **Chapter 1244: The Greedy Person**

“Who’s that?” Roslav, a bodyguard of Zhang Tie roared as he threw his spear towards the source of the sound outside the palace.

As Roslav was not a knight, his sense about the qi outside the gate was not as sensitive as that of those elders of Cardinal Elders Committee. As Zhang Tie's bodyguard, of course, he should launch an attack on the uninvited guest firstly in this case.

As a great battle master, although Roslav's blow was powerful, his spear suspended outside the gate of the palace in the air. Closely after that, the steel spear gradually turned into pieces like sands being blown over by the wind. All the people in the palace were shocked by this weird scene.

When the spear only had a 30 cm longer handle left, the stranger uttered a cold harrumph suddenly as he said, "Ant, how dare you fight me? Take it back..."

Closely after that, the spear's handle suddenly flew back towards the chest of Roslav with a shrill sonic boom with a much greater destructive power.

It happened as fast as a lightning bolt. The moment he finished his last word, the remaining handle had arrived at the chest of Roslav after drawing a fine fiery line in the air with a shrill sonic boom. Even though Roslav wore a heavy armor, his chest could still be penetrated through with an explosion.

Roslav didn't have time to dodge away. Even a LV 15 battle spirit would be killed by such a blow. This strike could match Zhang Tie's palm bolt.

However, when the short handle was about 16 cm away from Roslav, a clean and delicate hand stretched over here and pinched that handle steadily like pinching a bug.

The shrill sound and flame in the palace disappeared in a split second. Roslav who was saved changed his face greatly.

Zhang Tie watched the outside of the gate with a glassy-eyed look as he sneered, "A powerful shadow knight fought a fighter who's only a bit higher than LV 10, is that the demeanor of a halo pastor of Sacred Light Empire?"

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, all the others at present understood what happened as they all changed their faces greatly.

If an earth knight was unrivaled over Ice and Snow Wilderness; a shadow knight was definitely a deity for these people in Ice and Snow Wilderness. Before the Catastrophe, shadow knights were at the top of the food chain. Shadow knight would disdain to come to Waii Subcontinent, not to mention Ice and Snow Wilderness.

The air outside the gate of the palace was covered with mist in a split second. As the mist twisted, a human suddenly appeared and stood in the air outside the gate of the palace.

That stranger was tall and thin in a bizarre golden religious crown and a set of extremely brilliant religious boa silk robe which was covered with thin diamond and gem pieces. Additionally, there were patterns of suns, moons and stars on the robe. Under the reflection of lamplight, his robe gleamed all over. Furthermore, it might have a runes effect as a brilliant halo which was similar to the cat eye effect covered his body, which looked pretty sacred and frightening.

That man overlooked those people at present like looking down at a cluster of ants. However, when he caught sight of Zhang Tie, his eye light changed greatly.

The tidy footsteps of guards in heavy armors and the scurries of xiphodons drew closer from all directions, causing ripples in the glasses on the tables. All the guards in the palace drew out their weapons immediately while rows of guards soon stood in front of Zhang Tie with heavy shields and spears.

Facing such a powerful opponent, neither the fighters of Thor's Hammer nor the imperial guards in the Summer Palace were scared away; instead, they all fully released their battle qis as they were gazing at that powerful knight who was suspending in the air outside the gate of the palace with fiery eyes and waiting for Zhang Tie's command. As long as Zhang Tie gave them a sign, they would rush forwards dauntlessly.

Fighters of Thor's Hammer could only fight to death; instead of being scared of death over Ice and Snow Wilderness.

Those junior fighters among tribes who were displaying their battle skills in front of Zhang Tie had also drawn their sabers and swords out of their sheaths and targeted at that stranger.

Bishop Maxim and the other clergies of Ancient God Church had stood up and glared at that shadow knight.

By contrast, those elders of Cardinal Elders Committee didn't make too excessive responses. They just watched Zhang Tie calmly because they all knew that nobody across the Summer Palace might survive on if Zhang Tie really wanted to fight that shadow knight here. These people at the banquet could barely survive themselves as long as they were affected by the impact wave of the two knights.

The distant shadow knight revealed a sneer. In his eyes, the responses of those fighters of Thor's Hammer and the other people in the banquet were nothing but sh\*t. It seemed that a huge dragon was ridiculing the struggling ants.

Zhang Tie slightly raised his hand to stop the fighters of Thor's Hammer and all the others from moving. He was relieved by the dubious and dauntless fighters of Thor's Hammer. At this critical moment, Zhang Tie who knew clearly about the power of shadow knight understood that these fighters of Thor's Hammer were just seeking for death. Even if the entire Thor's Hammer was wiped out, that shadow knight would not lose one hair. This was the result of an absolute difference in power, which couldn't be fixed by quantity.

"As a powerful shadow knight, don't you introduce yourself to us in this case?" Zhang Tie asked that stranger without any fear. Actually, Zhang Tie had already known that when he arrived here just now. What Zhang Tie had not imagined was this crisis brought by Sacred Light Empire was not relieved with the extermination of the entire expeditionary fleet of Sacred Light Empire. Actually, this stranger came to Ice and Snow Wilderness even earlier than Zhang Tie. He just hid somewhere. This man was the absolute dominating power that Sacred Light Empire assigned to Ice and Snow Wilderness.

What made Zhang Tie puzzled was how could a shadow knight be attracted to Ice and Snow Wilderness? Did he know that the piece of God's Star was in the huge bear tribe? Besides that reason, Zhang Tie really couldn't think about another reason for the time being.

"Zhang Tie, no wonder you're the famous Hua knight in the knights' world. It's out of my imagination that you could still remain calm in front of a shadow knight. I'm Ockham, the halos pastor of the eastern

parish of Sacred Light Empire.” That man looked at Zhang Tie with shimmering and profound eye light. Although his eye light contained a sharp killing intent, it also contained a bit concern. The shadow knight continued, “You have one opportunity. As long as you and Ancient God Church join Sacred Light Church; pledge to be loyal to me and submit that immortal space-teleportation item, I will keep you alive; besides, I will let you be a throne pastor. It’s your last opportunity...”

Zhang Tie’s heart pounded, ‘Does he know that I have Castle of Black Iron? That’s impossible!’

“I indeed have one space-teleportation equipment; but what do you mean by that immortal space-teleportation item?” Zhang Tie asked calmly as many thoughts flashed through his mind.

“Do you want to waste time for the arrival of that heavenly knight?” Ockham’s eye light turned perilous at once as he revealed a sneer, “Although I don’t know how did you invite a mysterious heavenly knight to have him destroy the expeditionary fleet of Sacred Light Empire, I think that you must pay a lot for that. Additionally, that heavenly knight is not in Ice and Snow Wilderness. No matter how fast he could fly, he couldn’t appear here in half an hour. Before he arrives, I could kill all of you and turn the entire Saint Petersburg into ashes. That’s the price for you ants to offend Sacred Light Empire...”

As a shadow knight who ruled a suburban area of Sacred Light Empire, although Ockham couldn’t match a heavenly knight in battle strength, he definitely knew the power of heavenly knight much better than commoners. Neither did he fear heavenly knight as much as commoners. Actually, Sacred Light Empire had heavenly knights too.

What was more, after Zhang Tie exposed his real identity, Ockham had known almost everything about Zhang Tie. He knew that Zhang Tie had no heavenly knight on his back whether in Huaiyuan Palace, among his friends or his masters. In this case, of course, that heavenly knight was invited from Taixia Country. That powerful heavenly knight probably had returned to Taixia Country. If not, the one on the highest seat in Summer Palace should not be Zhang Tie, but someone else. Additionally, it was not reasonable for a heavenly knight to hide somewhere to guard Zhang Tie who was just an earth knight. Zhang Tie was not the crown prince, he couldn’t enjoy such a special treatment.

After thinking through all this, Ockham showed up immediately. As the expeditionary fleet of Sacred Light Empire suffered a great loss; if he couldn’t achieve anything from the culprit of this event, it would be a laughingstock.

“You’re causing me trouble only for that so-called immortal space-teleportation item? What if I tell you that I don’t have one?” Zhang Tie said calmly.

As for Ockham, Zhang Tie’s words sounded like the clumsiest lie. After bursting out into laughter, he said, “Don’t tell me that you could provide drinking water for over 100,000 people for a few months in the underground relics. The so-called manifestations of God’s will are just used to cheat those idiots. You’d better be smart in front of me. I’ve manifested the same God’s will for over 100 times...” Ockham licked his lips as his eye light turned greedy, “After calculating the amount of drinking water that you provided in the underground relics, I know that you must be carrying an immortal space-teleportation equipment. Nothing else is worth my visit to Ice and Snow Wilderness except for that equipment!”

Zhang Tie saw a light suddenly as he finally understood the real purpose of Sacred Light Empire to launch a strike towards Ice and Snow Wilderness. The so-called revenge was just an excuse for cheating

idiots. 'The fact that I killed that unfortunate guy of Sacred Light Empire a few years ago served as an excuse for Sacred Light Empire to launch a strike towards Ice and Snow Wilderness. As for Ockham, land, gold coins and population were nothing but sh\*t because he could have as many as he wants. A shadow knight only cast greedy eyes on available powerful secret items...'

In Zhang Tie's eyes, Ockham was both extremely cunning and stupid...

## **Chapter 1245: Starting a Strike**

Ockham was cunning as he could discover the truth of the so-called manifestations of God's will in the underground relics from a trail of clues; additionally he was tolerant and could judge the occasion and dared seize the opportunity to launch an attack when he knew that Zhang Tie had a "heavenly knight" on his back.

Perhaps the so-called "manifestations of God's will" performed by jerk priests of Sacred Light Empire were just deceitful tricks that used to bewilder others by space-teleportation equipment. Therefore, they thought that all the "manifestations of God's will" were deceitful tricks. Additionally, each deceitful trick was supported by a space-teleportation equipment. The greater and the more shocking the deceitful trick was, the more powerful was the space-teleportation equipment on their back.

Of course, the use of Castle of Black Iron was utterly different than that of ordinary space-teleportation equipment. Ordinary space-teleportation equipment existed in the form of material objects. However, Zhang Tie had integrated with Castle of Black Iron. Castle of Black Iron didn't exist in this world. If Zhang Tie wanted to use Castle of Black Iron, he only needed to run his spiritual energy. Ockham thought that Zhang Tie used an immortal space-teleportation equipment to accomplish the performance of the so-called "manifestations of God's will". He almost approached the truth.

Ockham was stupid because he believed in his empirical judgment too much. Additionally, he was deeply convinced by his great battle strength as a shadow knight. Besides the fact that Zhang Tie couldn't give Castle of Black Iron to him, what was more important was that he had forgotten that this world would not center on one person. Even a heavenly knight or a sage knight might be in trouble, not to mention a shadow knight. If powerful ones could rule everything, Zhang Tie's master would not be the frightening alchemist devil; Han Zhengfang should still be alive; Emperor Xuanyuan would not be missing. Even these people who were much more powerful than him couldn't control their fates, how could a shadow knight think that he's unrivaled and could get whatever he wants in Ice and Snow Wilderness?

Of course, it was a laughingstock.

Ockham was a rich reward gifted by God to Zhang Tie.

Zhang Tie watched Ockham with slightly narrowed eyes while the light in his eyes was as same as that in Ockham's eyes.

Ockham thought that he had caught a fat sheep; however, he didn't know that he was that fat sheep in Zhang Tie's eyes.

After hearing Ockham's words, Zhang Tie didn't speak; instead, he just looked at Ockham calmly, which made Ockham upset.

"In front of me, you're just humble ants. Treasure my kindness and the opportunity that I spare to you. This is the last opportunity for you heretics to accomplish your self-redemption. If you don't submit the item to me within 10 seconds, I could only get it myself. You'd better determine whether you're going to live or die in 10 seconds!" Ockham released a powerful qi as he kept a close watch on Zhang Tie with his sharp eagle eyes, sparing no chance for Zhang Tie to wait for the arrival of that powerful heavenly knight in case of trouble. He started to count down, "1...2..."

As this powerful shadow knight started to count down, many people in the palace became anxious. Only the most pious followers of Ancient God Church were still looking at Zhang Tie with firm eye light. These people had unshakable confidence in Zhang Tie. As the incarnation of the Ancient God, how could Zhang Tie be troubled by a shadow knight?

The so-called truth of manifestations of God's will in the mouth of Ockham was completely like a laughingstock in the eyes of Maxim and the other priests of Ancient God Church. Because Zhang Tie was manifesting the God's will under the gaze of over 100,000 people without using any space-teleportation equipment at all. The holy vase that Zhang Tie used to manifest the God's will was still worshiped in the grey palace. How could such a manifestation of God's will be as same as the deceitful trick of those jerk priests of Sacred Light Empire?

"3..." Ockham's icy sound was like pronouncing judgment towards a group of mortals.

"Battle strength prevails the knight's world. Now that you and I are both knights, let's determine the result of this dispute in the means of knights!" Zhang said calmly as he looked at Ockham who carried a strong qi, "This is a bet between two knights. As long as you stand there and could bear a strike of my spear safe and sound, I would give you whatever you want. Even the entire Sacred Iceland Kingdom and Ancient God Church could be incorporated into the territory of Sacred Light Empire..."

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, Ockham burst out into laughter crankily. In the eyes of Ockham, Zhang Tie just wanted to save his face. The bet was always better than being forced to make a choice. Additionally, Ockham benefited from this manner. Ockham was very afraid about that heavenly knight on the back of Zhang Tie. If he killed Zhang Tie, he had to worry about being avenged by that heavenly knight. If Zhang Tie and that heavenly knight were just trade partners, that heavenly knight might not make any response to Zhang Tie's death; however, if they were good friends, that heavenly knight might find Ockham trouble. If he stirred up a heavenly knight, even though he had Sacred Light Empire on his back, he would not feel good.

Zhang Tie was so famous that even Ockham knew the power of Zhang Tie's spear; however, even though an earth knight's spear strike was powerful, it could at most threaten ordinary black knights; however, spear strike was definitely a laughingstock for a shadow knight. Even a heavenly knight couldn't promise that his spear strike could threaten a shadow knight, not to mention an earth knight.

Each knight would gain a rare opportunity to strengthen their overall strength whenever they formed a chakra, such as from battle spirit to black iron knight and from black iron knight to earth knight; however, the most powerful overall advancement happened when one promoted to a shadow knight from earth knight. When one formed his water chakra, over 70% water in his body would be cleansed by

and resonated with the water element in the elements realm. After this process, the body of a shadow knight would enter an unimaginable, powerful realm. In this realm, even if the shadow knight didn't release his protective battle qi, he could still match a black iron knight in defensive capability. Therefore, shadow knights were all confident.

"Well, I will have a bet with you. I just stand here, just attack me with your spear. I will make you sincerely convinced!" Ockham stood in the air outside the gate of the palace as he crossed his arms without even releasing his protective battle qi. He just looked at Zhang Tie like watching a clown.

In that case, even the closest seat in the palace was over 50 m away from Ockham. Those guards were holding rows of heavy tower-shaped shields around him from over 50 m away.

Zhang Tie revealed a smile as he ran his spiritual energy. Closely after that, a golden spear appeared in his hand. At the sight of that golden spear, Maxim and all the other clergies held their breath at once.

"Keep away from us, watch out!" Zhang Tie said calmly.

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, those people in the nearest seats hurriedly moved back towards the center of the palace. Those guards who were holding heavy tower-shaped shields also retreated backward in tidy footsteps, including those fighters of Thor's Hammer who were surrounding Ockham outside the palace.

Ockham revealed a faint disdainful sneer because the others' responses were like a laughingstock for him. At the sight of that golden spear in Zhang Tie's hand, his sneer became more ironical as he confirmed that Zhang Tie just wanted to save his face by putting on his airs.

Golden weapons were always used by deities in myths and legends. There were many such weapons in the Sacred Light Empire; however, all of them were sacrificial vessels and religious supplies. As one of the top 3 halos pastors in Sacred Light Empire, Ockham had a team of honor guard who used golden weapons in special occasions for the sake of face; honestly, gold was not a good material for making weapons. Although gold had good durability, it was too soft to be made into weapons. Even though they could have a good processability after being mixed with some silver and copper, they couldn't match some senior alloys, not to mention match precious metals such as abyss magical iron.

Golden weapons were used to bamboozle idiots so as to make them hold in awe and veneration. Gold was not precious for knights; however, Zhang Tie was the first knight who used a golden weapon in the world.

At the sight of Zhang Tie's look when he held a golden spear, Ockham felt that this famous Hua knight was extremely like those honor guards on his side. Therefore, he couldn't help but burst out into laughter as he watched Zhang Tie like looking at sh\*t, "You're smart; if you surrender to me, I will let you rule all the halos retinues in the east parish of Sacred Light Empire..."

Zhang Tie replied with a smile too, "Are you ready..."

"Come on, I..."

Before the halos pastor of Sacred Light Empire finished his words, Zhang Tie had launched a strike...

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With the deafening sound, an invisible impact wave swept over those heavy tower-shaped shields that were standing on the ground, causing them to buzz like being hit by heavy hammers...

#### **Chapter 1246: Camouflage and Idiot**

The impact wave and loud bang passed by so fast. With sound lingering in the air of the palace, all the people at present were stunned. Because Zhang Tie and Ockham had disappeared in a split second as if they were never here at all...

Actually, very few people in the palace could really understand what happened just now.

'Where're the two people? How could they disappear out of the void? Am I dreaming?' All the people wondered as they exchanged a glance with each other.

With a loud bang, the two brilliant wooden gates of the palace fell onto the ground in pieces. At the same time, the entire screen wall facing the gate of the palace along with the building that extended 20 m all the way to the palace collapsed, causing dust swirl in the air. As a result, the gate of the palace was blocked. Thankfully, there was nobody within 100 m; especially O'Laura and the other wives of Zhang Tie who were farthest away from the gate of the palace; additionally, they were surrounded by those guards by heavy tower shields. So were the crown prince and the other princes. Therefore, none of them suffered from any harm...

The only injured ones were those imperial guards who were holding heavy tower-shaped shields in the frontline. Due to the great power of the first impact wave, some guys' wrists were dislocated.

All the fluorite lamps within 50 m were blown up; therefore, it became dimmer in the palace.

The loud, collapsing sound and the diffused smoke caused a chaos inside the palace...

"Where's His Majesty? Where's His Majesty..." Someone shouted.

"Thor's Hammer, protect His Majesty..."

"It collapses outside the gate of the palace. Break out. Break out..."

Various sounds drifted in the palace.

All the knight elders in the Cardinal Elders Committee went into action at once. Pontiff Sarlin and the two elders of the huge bear tribe helped O'Laura, Sabrina, Olina, the 6 women of Spencer Clan and Zhang Tie's 9 kids leave the palace through a secret tunnel.

O'Laura looked a bit pale. As she tightly bit her lower lip, she was utterly upset. She didn't know what happened either. Therefore, she was a bit worried about Zhang Tie as she didn't want to leave out of here, Pontiff Sarlin's words stopped her from resisting anymore.

"Before His Majesty launched a strike, he had told me through a secret means. He let me and two elders of the huge bear tribe lead queen, concubines, the crown prince and the other princes to wait in the haven in Summer Palace and defend Summer Palace, Saint Petersburg..."

“What happened just now?” O’Laura asked in a quivering sound. As the queen of Sacred Iceland Kingdom, O’Laura was not weak; she was already a LV 12 great battle master. Even though she was sitting on Zhang Tie’s side just now, she still didn’t know what happened. Zhang Tie and Ockham disappeared in a split second. Like all the others, she just heard a boom and sensed an impact wave sweeping over the tower-shaped shields in the middle of the palace. Closely after that, she found that the buildings outside the palace had collapsed.

Pontiff Sarlin replied with a bitter smile, “I don’t know either, it was really too fast...”

Those fighters of Thor’s Hammer outside the collapsed gate of the palace rushed forward at once like being driven mad as they wanted to clear the way outside the gate. Those people inside the palace also coordinated with those people to clear the debris. It took them almost 2 minutes to do that.

“Get out of the way...” Dally the old wild bear roared impatiently as he fully released his battle qi. Closely after that, he punched onto a complete wall of the palace like a barbarous wild bear, making a big hole on the wall. Closely after that, he rushed out of the big hole and flew off. Standing in the air, he started to look around the summer palace...

The moons were bright and the stars were few. After seeing nobody within 60 miles, Dally the old wild bear changed his face at once...

All the other elders of Cardinal Elders Committee flew off one after another in a split second.

“Where’s His Majesty?” Hags asked after looking around and not discovering any trace of flying knights...

“Just now...” The clan head of mutated bear tribe said with an unbelievable look.

“It was too fast. Even I didn’t see clearly what happened...” The clan head of the mountain bear tribe shook his head too.

“What do we do?”

“Pontiff Sarlin and the others will be responsible for the safety here. We could only try our fortune. I suggest dividing into 2 groups, 3 people in one group, 4 people in another. We search over the north and south respectively. If there’s any special situation, we can release our battle qi smokes...” Dally the old wild bear was very resolute at this moment as he immediately displayed his mature side. In a group of three, they could form a 3-in-1 battle formation. If they searched for Zhang Tie and Ockham independently, a black iron knight would be too weak in front of a shadow knight.

All the other tribes’ knights exchanged a glance with each other before nodding. In a split second, they had divided into two groups before heading for the south and the north of Saint Petersburg.

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Humans’ naked eyes could only capture a moving object within 2 milliseconds. If an object moved too fast to be captured by human eyes constantly within 2 milliseconds, the object was equal to disappearing out of the void.

Just now, Zhang Tie launched a strike so fast. The moment he moved, he had reached greater than 13 times the speed of sound. In the limited observation space and the relatively narrow visual space

between individuals in the palace, when everyone was gazing at him, the moment he moved, he had been out of their visions; because he stayed fewer than 2 milliseconds in everyone's vision.

Although Zhang Tie didn't wear Chaos, he wore a pair of metal caliga, a full-moons dragon soul waistband and a pair of rune metal wristbands. Although these items were not as integrated as the Chaos, they didn't reduce Zhang Tie's flight speed with the ability of the divine dominator.

Zhang Tie moved fast; however, his spear moved faster.

Zhang Tie aided a master-level god's rune effect on the 680 kg golden spear which he had not used before——cracking effect.

In a golden and brilliant robe, Ockham revealed a commanding and steadfast smile. He didn't even release his protective battle qi. What a good performer!

'Idiot!'

When he threw out his spear, Zhang Tie swore inside.

'It's hard to find a shadow knight as a target for an earth knight-level divine dominator frankly in this age.'

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When those knights of the Cardinal Elders Committee were searching for Zhang Tie and Ockham in two groups, Ockham was retreating at a high speed.

Ockham was escaping like a strayed dog.

The brilliant religious robe that Ockham wore a few minutes ago had completely become strips of cloth like broken sacks that were picked up from the battlefield. Additionally, there was a punch-sized bloody hole on his lower abdomen, which directly penetrated through his body.

Ockham had lost his religious crown. His hair was swaying disorderly in the air; at the same time, he kept spitting out blood...

In this case, Ockham had used his trump card to escape as a shadow knight—— the light of life.

With this skill, he burned the source of his life for a greater speed. If not in dilemma, Ockham would never use this skill. Because each minute that he spent in this skill meant a one-year reduction in his longevity.

With the effect of the light of life, Ockham soon raised his speed to 8 times the speed of sound. This was a terrifying speed even for shadow knight. In the flight, a looming mist was wrapping around his body. As a result, his flight was quiet and secret...

The moment his body was penetrated through by Zhang Tie's golden spear, Ockham had been immersed in the sharp pains. He knew that he had a big trouble this time. He had not even heard about such a strike. He even doubted that Zhang Tie was a heavenly knight, who set a trap especially to screw him.

As long as Zhang Tie kept using such a striking skill, Ockham who had been severely injured would never win the fight. Therefore, the moment his body was penetrated through by the golden spear, Ockham

had made his decision, namely, lighting his light of life and escaping away from Saint Petersburg as fast as possible with the inertia when he was sent flying backward.

In flight, Ockham wanted to close his wound; however, he found that the flesh near his wound had completely become dead like being struck by a lightning bolt with the bizarre cracking effect. Therefore, although being a powerful shadow knight, Ockham couldn't control his physical function at all.

What made Ockham more embarrassed was that his spiritual energy was experiencing a terrifying storm after being severely injured. His spiritual energy was fluctuating greatly. As a result, all of his spiritual energy had been disrupted and sealed in his mind sea. As a result, he couldn't use any secret spiritual methods or use remote-sensing telecommunications device; not to mention taking out medicament from his portable space-teleportation equipment.

It was Ockham's first time to fear death...

Ockham kept flying towards the north of Ice and Snow Wilderness as he gritted his teeth and dropped blood. Lands, mountains and rivers flashed backward at his foot. After over 40 minutes and burning over 40 years' longevity. Ockham felt that he should have got rid of Zhang Tie's vision. When he wanted to stop and deal with his wound, he heard Zhang Tie's lazy voice behind him...

"Ha, you're really good at flying. I thought you could have stood a bit longer..."

Together with the voice was a 6.8 ton Thor's Hammer which crashed onto Ockham's protective battle qi at a speed greater than 13 times the speed of sound ...

## **Chapter 1247: The Winner**

"Divine dominator, who the hell are you?" Ockham shouted exhaustively as his eyes turned bloody. At the same time, his battle qi turned berserk as he shot out booming battle qi towards Zhang Tie constantly. Meanwhile, a spray of blood spurted out from the bloody hole on his body, causing his strike to stagnate slightly. As a result, the destructive power of his strike declined by 30% at once.

The shadow knight's battle qi hit onto the ground like impact waves while rubbing Zhang Tie's body, exploding the top of a 100 m higher iceberg into pieces in a split second. At the same time, Ockham constantly changed his location rapidly.

However, Ockham was in vain. After fighting Zhang Tie for almost half an hour when he was severely injured, Ockham had proved that shadow knight was powerful. However, at this moment, Ockham had almost been exhausted. This situation could be judged from his increasingly unstable battle qi strikes and protective battle qi.

It had been in disorder within dozens of miles in the north of Ice and Snow Wilderness.

Zhang Tie flew around Ockham at the speed of over 13 times the speed of sound as he constantly changed his location like jumping lightning bolt in the air. As a result, Ockham could barely cope with Zhang Tie's strike.

In the most dangerous close combat, knight's visual angle was limited. As Ockham's visual's angle couldn't follow Zhang Tie's moving speed, he couldn't threaten Zhang Tie essentially. Since the

beginning, Ockham's strikes at his full strength had been dodged away by Zhang Tie at an extremely high speed, at most touched the edge of Zhang Tie's protective battle qi. Additionally, Ockham's large-range strikes were directly blocked by Zhang Tie.

Actually, since the beginning, Ockham had not completely hit Zhang Tie's protective battle qi, not to mention breaking through Zhang Tie's protective battle qi.

Zhang Tie's protective battle qi of king roc sutra experienced a cruel test this time.

The last test was in the fight with Han Zhengfang.

Compared to the last fight with Han Zhengfang, Zhang Tie was more advantageous this time.

Because Zhang Tie at this moment was definitely more powerful than that when he fought Han Zhengfang. However, Ockham was not as powerful as Han Zhengfang; therefore, Zhang Tie took the initiative.

Ockham didn't get rid of Zhang Tie's strike. Zhang Tie's Thor's Hammer crashed onto Ockham's volatile protective battle qi mercilessly once again.

After almost half an hour's fight, Zhang Tie could use his Thor's Hammer much better. Therefore, his striking frequency gradually grew. He could also release more power by Thor's Hammer and kinetic energy strike in a shorter distance.

This fight meant a wholly new start for Zhang Tie. He finally experienced the effect of the hypersonic strike in fight.

Hypersonic speed was his weapon and his shield.

The loud sound of Thor's Hammer reverberated through the heavens and the land like thunders.

As long as he could move at a speed greater than 13 times the speed of sound, the destructive power of Thor's Hammer from over 6 miles away was as same as that from 100 m away or 1 m away. However, the latter situation could shorten the responsive time of the opponent and make the opponent harder to respond to the strike of Thor's Hammer. In close combat, Thor's Hammer would have an overwhelming advantage when it could reach 13 times greater than the speed of sound in the air.

In fist positions, inch strength was emphasized; namely, how to maximize the strength of the fist in the shortest distance between the fist and the target. When fighting Ockham, Zhang Tie was also comprehending the law of "inch strength" in close combat by Thor's Hammer.

What a rare opportunity! If not make full use of this shadow knight-level target and sparring partner, Zhang Tie would feel sorry about himself.

Even Ockham had felt that he was taken as a sparring partner when Zhang Tie was striking him in an increasingly higher frequency with an increasingly greater strength. It was a humiliation for Ockham. However, he couldn't shriek off this humiliation. He even started to doubt that this person was not Zhang Tie but a divine dominator with a terrifying destructive power...

In this world, there were less than 10 divine dominators. Each of them was famous. Ockham didn't believe that there was another divine dominator who came out of nowhere.

Although Zhang Tie was well-known across the human knights' world, nobody mentioned that Zhang Tie was a divine dominator. Therefore, Ockham doubted that this man in front of him was not Zhang Tie at all.

With another strike, the Thor's Hammer completely shattered Ockham's protective battle qi and turned it into enshrouding battle qi like snowflakes before falling down in pieces. The energy of tens of billions of Joule not only completely shattered Ockham's protective battle qi but also shattered the greater part of Ockham's bones all over. Ockham wanted to stretch out his hands to resist the strike; however, his arms were shattered by the irresistible strength of the Thor's Hammer, including his bones and muscles...

The bloody hole spurted out blood once again. Some broken innards even sprayed out of that hole. At the same time, Ockham's eyes, nostrils, mouth and ears spurted out blood as his body smashed onto the icy and snowy land with a boom, causing land cracks while ice scums, hard soil and snowflakes sprayed in all directions. Additionally, there was a 30 m deeper pit on the point where Ockham fell down.

This was the last strike of Zhang Tie.

"Hahahaha, I see..." Zhang Tie burst out into laughter as he muttered. In the last blow, he finally comprehended the secret of making a kinetic strike by Thor's Hammer in close combat—By combining spirit, consciousness, eye light, body, hand and hammer at the same time, he could release a kinetic energy strike by Thor's Hammer in the shortest distance.

Zhang Tie threw a glance at Ockham who was lying in the deep pit. Closely after that, the Thor's Hammer disappeared as he fell on one side of Ockham who had completely lost his ability to resist...

#### **Chapter 1248: An Unbearable Load**

Heavy snowflakes fell from the lingering night sky. Just now, the fight between the two people made this air territory brilliant and full of rumbling thunders; additionally, the land here was covered with pits. However, the moment the fight came to an end, the surroundings became quiet at once. Besides snowflakes, there was only icy and hard wind in the air...

Ockham had lost his arms and was bleeding all over; however, he was still alive.

Zhang Tie looked down at Ockham as he exclaimed about the strong vitality of this shadow knight inside. Even 10 earth knights would have been killed by Zhang Tie in this case; however, after being penetrated through by Zhang Tie's golden spear, Ockham could still fight Zhang Tie until now. Therefore, Zhang Tie became more expectant about the realm of shadow knights.

Ockham looked at Zhang Tie hardly with bloody and tearful eyes. He still had faint battle qi response as if he wanted to form his battle qi once again. At this moment, a snowflake flew over here and covered his eye, causing his eyelid to quiver. Ockham seemingly wanted to take away this snowflake; however, his body twitched for a short while as he could only wait for that snowflake to melt on his face with a bit cold.

The halos pastor who was pretty arrogant in Summer Palace just now was like a dead dog at this moment. Besides anguish, there was only fear on his face.

When the big figure who had been used to power, beauties and all the luxuries in the world found that he might say goodbye to all these things, he would not behave more dignified than those hooligans on the streets.

Ockham moved his lips as if he wanted to say something; pitifully, Zhang Tie's last strike was too powerful. After penetrating through his powerful body which he was proud of, it even tore his vocal cords. As a result, he couldn't utter any complete sound...

Ockham faintly roared for a short while. Through his mouth shape, Zhang Tie guessed that Ockham wanted to say, "Don't kill me..."

Zhang Tie revealed a sneer as he squatted down in front of Ockham as a winner. Closely after that, he waved his hand and drew away those snowflakes on Ockham's face as he looked at Ockham from his foot to his head like how an experienced butcher looked at a big fat pig. After that, he patted Ockham's old face as he said tenderly, "How could I kill you? You don't know how happy I was when I saw you. I won't agree even if you want to commit suicide..."

Ockham watched Zhang Tie with an amazed look. Although his hearing had been damaged greatly, he could still hear Zhang Tie's words. Although Zhang Tie expressed that he wouldn't kill him, Zhang Tie's eye light made Ockham twitch all over...

Ockham wanted to say something; however, he couldn't. At that moment, Zhang Tie's hand suddenly quivered while a bizarre strength passed onto Ockham's, causing him to pass out at once.

Closely after that, Ockham disappeared as he was teleported into Castle of Black Iron.

"Heller, this guy is a fat sheep, he's yours!" Zhang Tie told Heller through a secret means.

After that, Zhang Tie heard Heller's answer with a smile, "Castle Lord, don't worry, I will keep this guy alive. But I'm afraid that I couldn't completely recover him without using some senior medicaments that Castle Lord collected and some demonized fighters who were frozen in Castle of Black Iron."

"It doesn't matter. It's all worth it, right?"

"Of course, this one is a shadow knight. If not being severely injured by Castle Lord's golden spear, it would be not easy for us to teleport a shadow knight who has lost his resistance ability into Castle of Black Iron!"

"Greed is an original sin of humans!"

"5 days later, Castle Lord would be able to enjoy this achievement. I'm expecting for that..."

"I'm expecting for that too!"

"This guy carries a lot of rarities. Castle Lord might be interested in it. This must be a bumper harvest..."

Closely after Heller's words, a golden necklace appeared in Zhang Tie's hand. The moment this guy was teleported into Castle of Black Iron, none of his belongings could be covered in front of Heller.

Zhang Tie looked at that necklace. Compared to the precious material of the necklace, the emblem on the necklace was more valuable.

That emblem was bloody which had a metallic texture. It looked like a sun; of course, it was not as completely round as the sun; instead, it was like that kind of shiny sunflower in abstract paintings. In the dark, as long as there was faint light in the surroundings, the purple light being reflected by the surface of the bloody sun-shaped emblem could be seen. Additionally, there was an odd-looking classic mark of Sacred Light Church on the emblem. Touching the emblem on the necklace, Zhang Tie gradually felt a bizarre warmth. Furthermore, the necklace had been aided with a strong rune effect.

Of course, Heller would not give it to Zhang Tie if it was just a rune equipment.

After injecting his spiritual energy into the necklace, Zhang Tie knew that this sun-shaped bloody emblem was actually a space-teleportation equipment.

There was a huge cubic space whose length, width and height were over 30 m respectively in the emblem. The moment Zhang Tie injected his spiritual energy into space, he had seen two hills of golden bricks, which occupied over 3,000 cubic meters. It indicated that there were at least 60,000 tons of gold.

At the sight of such golden hills, Zhang Tie immediately swore inside, 'F\*ck.' He knew that Sacred Light Empire was rich. The halos pastor who ruled one of the three major parishes of Sacred Light Empire would definitely not lack money; however, he had not imagined that a shadow knight's space-teleportation equipment could contain so much gold. 'How greedy this guy is! Why did he put so much gold which is meaningless for knights into his portable space-teleportation equipment?'

Zhang Tie was greatly shocked by the items in this space-teleportation equipment.

Although this space-teleportation equipment was not bad; it was still far worse than the other space-teleportation equipment that Zhang Tie had gained such as Xuanwu Secret Warehouse of Bloody Soul Temple. What shocked Zhang Tie most was that he had not seen such a crowded space-teleportation equipment before.

The space-teleportation equipment contained about 35,000 cubic meters. Those gold only occupied less than 1/10 of this space. Besides gold, it was filled with various items.

Earth element crystals, water element crystals, wind element crystals and fire element crystals occupied one corner of the space respectively. As for a shadow knight, earth element crystals and water element crystals couldn't further promote his cultivation base anymore; however, earth element crystals and water elements occupied most of the element crystals. There were over 100,000 earth element crystals. If Zhang Tie could have so many earth element crystals before he promoted to an earth knight, he didn't even need to grasp any purgatory samsara method at all. Because he could promote to an earth knight only by absorbing all the earth element crystals.

Besides earth element crystals, there were over 30,000 water element crystals, over 5,000 wind element crystals and over 1,000 fire element crystals.

Besides these gold and four element crystals, there were tens of thousands of square boxes which were made of precious metals such as gold, mithril, mountain copper, abyss magical iron, violet gold, platinum, etc.. These boxes were not furnishings or artworks; instead, they were used to maximize this space. Those boxes contained dazzling priceless treasures. Hundreds of boxes among them contained various gold checks and certificates about the ownership of lands, manors, castles, share certificates of business groups, mines and factories of Sacred Light Empire and the other countries on Western



Continent. Zhang Tie really wondered whether these things were plundered by Ockham from Sacred Light Empire or being presented by others.

‘F\*ck, this is more like a bank vault than a portable space-teleportation equipment of a shadow knight.’

Besides these items, there were living necessities in this space such as grains, a water tank and clothes.

Over 1,000 expensive metal boxes contained medicaments.

There were 3 silver secret items which included an odd-looking long saber, a golden-horned helmet and a long spear.

At the sight of these 3 silver secret items, Zhang Tie started to feel lucky about the strong effect of his master-level cracking rune on the opponent’s spiritual energy. Without this effect, Ockham might be able to use his silver secret items; if so, it would be more difficult for Zhang Tie to deal with him.

There were 2 boxes of bronze secret items in this space, among which, Zhang Tie saw elements gathering matrices in different specifications. He even saw another full-moons dragon soul waistband which was as same as that on his body.

Besides, there were other items which Zhang Tie could count for the time being...

The entire space was almost occupied by these items. Only less than 20 cubic meters’ space was available. Although the word “overload” was not used to describe space-teleportation equipment, this space-teleportation equipment reminded Zhang Tie of an old truck which had been overloaded by many times that of the speculation on a mountain road.

Zhang Tie finally knew why Ockham was fascinated by his marvelous space-teleportation equipment. ‘Perhaps that guy was thinking about having a space-teleportation equipment with a greater space so as to contain more items. Perhaps that guy usually struggles due to the limited space of his space-teleportation equipment. He had to give up something each time he wanted to put something more inside...’

When Zhang Tie looked at this space-teleportation equipment in a dumbfounded way, he suddenly understood something, ‘What this space-teleportation equipment couldn’t bear was not treasures, but humans’ greed...’

## **Chapter 1249: Truths and Lies**

Not until the next day broke did Zhang Tie slowly fly back to Saint Petersburg.

It only took Ockham over 40 minutes to fly over 3,600 miles away and enter the unpopulated zone on the border of the iced land in the north of Ice and Snow Wilderness.

There was only ice, snow, and storm here. Nobody else but Zhang Tie and Ockham could be seen here. Even few living beings could be seen here. Of course, their fight would not arise the attention of anyone else. Neither were the members of Cardinal Elders Committee able to fly so far away in such a short period. Furthermore, as Ockham’s spiritual energy was disrupted by people, he couldn’t even send a message to his men through the remote-sensing crystal. Therefore, this entire battle process was both

earth-shaking and silent. Besides Zhang Tie and Ockham, nobody else in this world knew that a fight had broken out between a powerful shadow knight and a more powerful divine dominator in the ice-capped land in the north of Ice and Snow Wilderness.

Zhang Tie was very satisfied with this fight. It was a bumper harvest for him.

After this fight, Ockham became his captive. Benefited from this, he would promote to a shadow knight more easily. It was predictable that he could at least enter the 5 change earth realm after absorbing Ockham's water chakra.

The wealth in the portable space-teleportation equipment of Ockham was even greater than that he gained from those Three-eye Association clans and the demon general in Waii Subcontinent. What made Zhang Tie more reassured was that his kinetic energy skill and the ability of divine dominator could already match the battle strength of a shadow knight completely through the test and improvement of this fight.

Although Ockham was not a top shadow knight, his battle strength was at least between 3 change shadow realm and 5 change shadow realm. Although Zhang Tie severely injured Ockham with his golden spear at the beginning before the latter made any preparation, it was his first time to defeat a shadow knight in the public by force. Being different than that fight between him and Han Zhengfang, this was a milestone fight for Zhang Tie.

When the first sunlight reached the tip of the highest tower in the Grey Palace, Zhang Tie arrived at the air territory of Saint Petersburg too. He started to slow down.

Overnight, Saint Petersburg as a whole had been heavily guarded. Looking down from the sky, Zhang Tie found that armies were mobilized both inside and outside the city. Some large-scale battle airships were patrolling around Saint Petersburg.

The moment Zhang Tie arrived there, he had been discovered. A knight rushed into the sky towards him while some battle airships also flew towards him from afar.

"Your Majesty..." Elder Toles greeted Zhang Tie with a big surprise as he continued, "Are you okay?"

"Of course, I'm okay. Oh, was there any trouble last night? Is everybody good?"

"We're all fine. There's no trouble!" After approaching Zhang Tie, Elder Toles looked at Zhang Tie carefully from head to toe. After confirming that Zhang Tie was fine, he finally became reassured as he asked, "Your Majesty, have you met Dally and the other elders?"

"No, where are they?" Zhang Tie replied as they flew back towards the Summer Palace. After those battle airships approached Zhang Tie, the crew saw clearly Zhang Tie's look. Closely after that, those fighters on those battle airships cheered up as their airships turned around.

"Last night, closely after Your Majesty and Ockham left Summer Palace, they had rushed outside. However, they couldn't see your trace; therefore, they divided into two groups and searched for you towards the north and the south respectively!"

Ice and Snow Wilderness was so large in size. Generally, as long as they left Saint Petersburg for about 120 miles, even if they were in the same direction with Zhang Tie and Ockham, they could barely meet

Zhang Tie and Ockham. Additionally, over one night, old bear Dally and the other elders could at most move 600 miles. They could never approach that battle area between Zhang Tie and Ockham. Therefore, it was normal that Zhang Tie had not met them on the way back.

"I'm fine. Call them back!" Zhang Tie replied with a smile. 'Although these elders of tribes in Ice and Snow Wilderness didn't give me a favor last night, their loyalty satisfied me. At least, they were more loyal to me than before. Previously, a chief pastor of Sacred Light Empire could almost split up the entire Ice and Snow Wilderness. However, it was a halos pastor from Sacred Light Empire who came here last night. Even in that case these guys still dared come out to find me, that's not bad.' Zhang Tie thought as he continued, "Is Saint Petersburg in a state of siege?"

"Yes, the entire Saint Petersburg had been in a state of siege since last night..."

"You're overreacting. Cancel it off..."

"Yes, Your Majesty!" Although Elder Toles wanted to ask about the condition of Ockham, he didn't as he found Zhang Tie didn't mean to talk about that. What happened last night was too weird. Even those elders of the Cardinal Elders Committee didn't know what happened at that moment.

"Ockham will not come anymore..." Zhang Tie said calmly.

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, Elder Toles' heart pounded as Zhang Tie's reply contained many meanings...

In the blink of an eye, Zhang Tie had arrived at the Summer Palace. At the sight of Zhang Tie coming back safe and sound, all the fighters of Thor's Hammer who were ready to fight the shadow knight of Sacred Light Empire to the end immediately cheered up, which could be heard within miles...

"Wula...Wula...Wula..."

These fighters were single-minded. No matter what, as Zhang Tie and Ockham disappeared at the same time last night; now that Zhang Tie came back alone safe and sound, it meant that Zhang Tie was the winner.

After one night's oppression and tension, so many people were waiting for the news. The cheers of the Thor's Hammer immediately drove away that oppressive and intense atmosphere like a warm current.

The collapsed part of the palace was still in clean-up; however, the loud cheers and the command of lifting the martial law and the return of those fighters to their own camps indicated that the crisis brought by that shadow knight of Sacred Light Empire had been defused. Therefore, a fervent and festive atmosphere spread over the entire Saint Petersburg at once.

When Zhang Tie returned to the Summer Palace, his wives and kids also returned to the earth surface from the hidden shelter. At the sight of Zhang Tie, all the women's eyes were filled with tears.

Many people across Saint Petersburg and the Summer Palace must be worried about Zhang Tie last night. However, Zhang Tie's lovers were more worried about Zhang Tie. They didn't sleep last night at all. Although it was just one night, when they saw Zhang Tie once again, they felt like experiencing a life or death situation.

Zhang Tie wiped off their tears one after another and finally made his women reassured.

Andre, Matvey, Alexander, Anatoli and the other kids were watching Zhang Tie with extremely adoring eyes. What they heard most were various legends about Zhang Tie's braveness and manifestations of God's will. Their moms told them their father was a real hero. Those kids did not have a concept of hero previously. However, last night, they witnessed their father's braveness and how their father alone overcame that shadow knight.

"Papa, when I grow up, I will also protect mom and all the others using my spear like how you did..." Andre raised his tiny face as he told Zhang Tie decisively with shiny eyes, "Can you teach me how to use a spear?"

After hearing Andre's words, Zhang Tie burst out into laughter as he stretched out his hand and touched Andre's head, "As long as you want to learn, I will teach you for sure. Besides spear, I could teach you many others skills. After you grasp them all, you will protect your moms like me by driving away the enemies!"

All the kids nodded forcefully.

"Let's go, I'm afraid that you've not had breakfast yet. Let's go and have breakfast..." Zhang Tie waved his hand.

After hearing Zhang Tie's words, the kitchen of the Summer Palace became busy at once...

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Old wild bear Dally and the other members of Cardinal Elders Committee didn't return to the Summer Palace until 2 pm.

After all the members of Cardinal Elders Committee returned, Zhang Tie called them in a study. He had to make an explanation to these core figures of the Sacred Iceland Kingdom about what happened last night.

Zhang Tie sat on the most important seat in the study. All the elders of Cardinal Elders Committee sat on both sides of the study as they exchanged glances with each other. As a result, the entire study was in a weird atmosphere.

"Your Majesty, how about Ockham the halos pastor of Sacred Light Empire who raided the Summer Palace last night?"

Many elders wanted to ask the same question; however, only old wild bear Dally dared ask it carelessly.

Actually, Zhang Tie was waiting for someone to ask that.

"The power of Sacred Iceland Kingdom is definitely not as weak as you see, a shadow knight couldn't rock the foundation of Sacred Iceland Kingdom!" Zhang Tie said firmly and vaguely.

All the elders understood it right away. They immediately recalled that legendary heavenly knight who exterminated the entire expeditionary fleet of Sacred Light Empire only by one blow——Last night, that mysterious heavenly knight gave a favor to His Majesty once again. That heavenly knight must be hiding somewhere in the Summer Palace last night; he must have long predicted that someone more powerful from Sacred Light Empire would launch a strike; therefore, that heavenly knight was waiting for the halos pastor to seek for death himself. That explained why Zhang Tie could come back safe and sound...

The power of a heavenly knight was out of black iron knights' imaginations. This might explain why Zhang Tie and Ockham directly disappeared in the public in a split second last night.

The elders of Cardinal Elders Committee thought that they had got the answer. Only Pontiff Sarlin threw a glance at Zhang Tie; meanwhile, he slightly frowned with a dubious eyelight; however, he didn't say anything.

"Realm, it must be the power of realm grasped by the heavenly knight..." The clan head of the mountain bear tribe, who was always taken as a rustic nodded and said loudly as if he had seen the realm of a heavenly knight...

"That heavenly knight would almost promote to a semi-sage..." The clan head of the fire bear tribe was also shocked.

Hearing their discussions and watching their looks, Zhang Tie could only speak to himself inside——I'm not cheating you. I'm telling the truth; if you misunderstand my words, don't blame me for not clarifying it to you...

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In less than 1 day, a news had spread over Saint Petersburg. The halos pastor from Sacred Light Empire who raided the Summer Palace last night had been killed by a heavenly knight who had promoted to semi-sage. That heavenly knight was actually always the secret No. 1 knight on the back of Sacred Iceland Kingdom...

The gossip was so vivid that those who attended the evening banquet last night even swore that they had witnessed how that mysterious heavenly knight displayed his power of realm and had Ockham the halos pastor of Sacred Light Empire and His Majesty disappear in front of the public.

The gossip spread over Saint Petersburg on the 2nd day and the entire Sacred Iceland Kingdom on the 3rd day.

Like how the Sacred Iceland Kingdom acquired the intelligence about the expeditionary army of Sacred Light Empire through various channels, Sacred Light Empire could also acquire the intelligence about the Sacred Iceland Kingdom through almost the same channels. One of the simplest methods was to pay those merchant ships who traveled between subcontinents, Western Continent and Ewentra Archipelago and many forces' offices or diplomatic agencies in the Sacred Iceland Kingdom.

After hearing this news, Sacred Light Empire was scared too much...

After another 2 days, Golden Roc Bank sent a news to the Sacred Iceland Kingdom as the intermediary. The pope of Sacred Light Empire had already dispatched a special envoy to Ice and Snow Wilderness for diffusing the disputes between the two countries...

Now that a special envoy would arrive, it meant that the Sacred Light Empire really wanted to sue for peace...

**Chapter 1250: Qianji Hermit**

Peter Hamplester's real identity was Zhang Tie, the famous Hua knight...

Zhang Tie founded Ancient God Church in Ice and Snow Wilderness...

Ockham the halos pastor of the eastern parish of Sacred Light Empire raided the Summer Palace; however, he was killed by a semi-sage knight on the back of Sacred Iceland Kingdom...

Zhang Tie abdicated...

Zhang Tie awakened a powerful, immortal Hua bloodline...

Andre, the 4-year old son of Zhang Tie and O'Laura, namely his eldest son would become the next tsar of Sacred Iceland Kingdom...

The Sacred Light Empire on Western Continent assigned a special envoy to Saint Petersburg to sue for peace...

In April of the 904th year of Black Iron Calendar, various news about Zhang Tie became the focus of the Mountain of Brightness once again.

On April 12th, a paid article "Deciphering the Legendary Life of Qianji Hermit Zhang Tie" became a hot topic in Mountain of Brightness only after it was posted for 2 days.

This article was like a legend of Peter Hamplester. As for knights, what Peter Hamplester did in Ice and Snow Wilderness was not amazing including how he saved sexy fox Olina from the conflict between Ewentra Archipelago and Demon Snake Island, how he saved over 100,000 people in the underground relics and founded Ancient God Church, how Peter Hamplester pacified the disaster of demons in Eschyle City; how he proposed the Axis Railway Plan; how he housed refugees and founded Sacred Iceland Kingdom. Many ambitious knights would establish countries and religions in poor subcontinents and regions out of specific purposes.

However, when the legends about Peter Hamplester and the legends about Zhang Tie who had long been famous in knight's world combined with each other, the result became dramatic and subversive as if a more marvelous chemical reaction happened when two marvelous elements mixed with each other, which made everybody dumbfounded for sure.

Peter Hamplester, the former tsar of Sacred Iceland Kingdom was Zhang Tie the Hua knight who had been famous in the knight's world.

What an unbelievable fact!

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"—Nobody in the main palace of Summer Palace could imagine that Peter Hamplester could say such words and display his body-changing bloodline in the public after standing up. This was Zhang Tie's second public display after holding his rotating chakra ceremony as an earth knight. All the people in the banquet had seen that. In the eyes of the followers of the Ancient God Church, Zhang Tie's display of body-changing ability was undoubtedly another manifestation of God's will. As a result, they further firmed their belief..."

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“——Zhang Tie’s women are undoubtedly happy at this moment. This man who incarnated into Peter Hamplester using his immortal body-changing bloodline proved who’s most precious in his eyes by abdicating his throne. At this moment, Zhang Tie indeed treated the country as sh\*t and ignored the sneer of powerful ones...”

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“...However, according to the most reliable first-hand news that I received, closely after Zhang Tie recovered his original look, the halos pastor had appeared and wanted to threaten Zhang Tie by destroying the Summer Palace and Saint Petersburg. He wanted some equipment from Zhang Tie. However, the result was that Zhang Tie and the halos pastor had disappeared in front of the public before they started a fight...”

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“——Is there really a semi-sage knight on the back of Sacred Iceland Kingdom? Do Zhang Tie, Qianji Hermit have other secret identities? Black Iron Know-All will pay attention to the relevant information constantly for you...”

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Zhang Tie read the entire article in Mountain of Brightness.

As this was a paid article. In order to know what he looked like in others’ eyes, Zhang Tie immediately paid 1,000 gold coins for this hot article after logging on the Mountain of Brightness...

When Zhang Tie was reading the article, this article had been viewed for over 30,000 times.

After knowing that guy called “Black Iron Know-All” had made over 30 million gold coins by selling his intelligence, Zhang Tie became speechless.

Black Iron Know-All was a very famous byname in Mountain of Brightness. Many hot articles in Mountain of Brightness were written with this byname. Zhang Tie didn’t know whether Black Iron Know-All was a person or an organization. However, given the content of this article, Zhang Tie knew that it probably was an organization. Because the intelligence about Zhang Tie in the article was very detailed and complete. Therefore, the article was very infectious and influential.

Even Zhang Tie had not imagined that he could gain the byname of Qianji Hermit in the Mountain of Brightness. In Taixia Country, it was outstanding for a knight to gain a widely accepted byname which had nothing to do with his cultivation method. Special bynames represented the special position and a much greater influence and reputation among his peers. Zhang Tie revealed his incarnation of Cui Li on his rotating chakra ceremony; this time, he revealed his incarnation of Peter Hamplester; plus the fame of his original name, the three identities shocked the public too much. Only in a few days, through Black Iron Know-All, the byname of Qianji Hermit had spread over Mountain of Brightness and become Zhang Tie’s signboard.

“Qian” referred that Zhang Tie could change his looks whenever he wanted; “Ji” referred to the secret methods and trump cards of Zhang Tie. It seemed that Zhang Tie would not get rid of this byname in the future.

At the bottom of this article, there were many replies.

Most of the people replied this article anonymously in Mountain of Brightness. Even someone didn't hide their bynames, nobody could identify who were they.

——With terrifying body-changing immortal bloodline, soul-forbidden method, amazing battle strength and various secret methods, Qianji Hermit hid his true identity for so many years. Qianji Hermit's enemies would have nightmares. I feel worth spending 1,000 gold coins for this article.

——I mostly want to know who's that semi-sage knight on the back of the Sacred Iceland Kingdom and Qianji Hermit. I would like to spend 100 earth-element crystals on this news...

——I wonder whether you've found that, after reading the confession of Qianji Hermit, I speculate that Qianji Hermit might have gained a great secret item when he was young. Since then, Qianji Hermit grew more and more powerful from a common teenager in a short period.

This article was followed by many replies too.

——It's said that Qianji Hermit has been struck by a lightning bolt. After that, his potential was gradually tapped.

——I've also heard about that.

——I still stick to my opinion.

——Luck is also a part of one's power; actually, it's a very important part of one's power. I feel that Qianji Hermit is a lucky person. A lucky person would be special wherever he is.

——I'm on the Western Continent, who knows what conditions are required to be Qianji Hermit's disciples?

——It seems that Qianji Hermit should be one of the most powerful earth knights among Hua people.

——Qianji Hermit is young and dissolute; he's a good example for our Hua people. Hahahaha, by the way, I make an advertisement here. This man is handsome, tall, tender and considerate. I have a good moral standing and excel at 2-person secret method. I'm in 7 change black iron realm. I want for a foreign female knight for 2-people cultivation, regardless of race. Female Hua knight preferred. Best in above 5 change black iron realm. Female earth knight is also welcome. If you intend to be my partner, please contact me according to the following method. Sincerely...

——Ahh, over 20 years ago, I've flown over Blackhot City in Waii Subcontinent. At that moment, Qianji Hermit must be in the city below as a common teenager.

——This is the handsome boy that I want; he's too handsome and tender...

——I'm Zhang Tie the Qianji Hermit. This is my another byname on the Western Continent. Any female knight who wants to get pregnant could come for me. I promise that you could give birth to boys. Additionally, our babies might have a chance to inherit my body-changing immortal bloodline. 20 water-element crystals for each pregnancy. Discount! 1 for 3. More discount for group purchase. I could keep you secret and never find you trouble after that...



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There were various replies. In Mountain of Brightness, as they were all knights, they were on the equal footing. Knights might put on their airs in front of commoners. However, in Mountain of Brightness, many knights would not put on their airs. Being covered by their bynames, all the knights could talk freely in Mountain of Brightness. It was like the cyberspace before the Catastrophe. In this virtual space, many people became different than that in reality. Knights might require a place to relax themselves and release pressure...

After reading that “paid pregnancy” thing, Zhang Tie was dumbfounded.

When Zhang Tie was immersed in Mountain of Brightness, a voice sounded, “The airboat of the special envoy of Sacred Light Empire has already arrived...”