Honoured 411



Nerves popped in the Azryth Grimveil's forehead and her eyes glowed faintly looking at the brimming soul in front of her.

"Your soul looks... great. Let me tormt it a bit."

The woman let go of Zhao Ning's neck as she stumbled on her knees on the floor.

"Haah!" "Haah!" Zhao Ning took deep breaths to let the airflow into her throat and she could feel her throat hurting.

She raised her gaze to look at the imposing woman and the woman extded her hand.

Black ergy oozed from her palm swirling a, Zhao Ning's body and in the next instant it tered her body.

Zhao Ning panicked and before she could react, the black ergy seeped into her body.

As if possessed, her neck snapped up, and her eyes rolled up, turning completely back.

"ARGHHHHH!!!!!! AAAHHHHH RAGHGHHHHHHHH! NOOOO!!!!"

Zhao Ning's body shivered and her horrifying screams of pain echoed through the restaurant.

Azyrth looked at Zhao Ning with no emotions in her eyes because all she wanted right now was her son. Vester Von Grimveil.

She would go to any extt to get her son back.

She raised her leg and smacked her black heel on Zhao Ning's face.

thud Zhao Ning rolled down on the floor clutching her face as agony of screams continued to escape her lips.

"ARGHHHH!! CUGHHH! GRUGHHH!!! NOOO LETT MEE GOOOO!!!"

She placed her black heel on Zhao Ning's face, crushing her cheek with the sharp edge of the heel as blood seeped out of Zhao Ning's face.
"KURGHHH!"
Azyrth spoke "Let me ask you again, where is my son?"
Zhao Ning's body twisted in suffer feeling the pain in her soul as if her whole being and soul were being crushed.
Her fingers curled as she felt the merciless slaughter on her soul and twirled on the floor like a helpless worm.
Tears scorched down her eyes staining the blood on her cheeks as she closed her eyes, finally giving in.
'C-Cessna, forgive me'
"I-I will tell you"
Hearing Zhao Ning's words, Azyrth Grimveil retracted her leg from Zhao Ning's face and spoke "Tell me"
As the blood dribbled down her lips, Zhao Ning raised her head to look at the crimson red eyes of the woman standing opposite her.
"He is with my Sister in a middle star."

Outside the meeting place of the world leaders in Germany, reporters are swarming up as they hear Zhao Tian is coming to Germany again for another meeting with the world leaders.
They were all curious if the new photo that got leaked yesterday- Zhao Tian in space was real or not.
The netizs in social media were also intrigued
"All cultivators can breathe in space?"
"But the other cultivators didn't report anything about this."
"Maybe only Zhao Tian could do that?"
"There is another pink woman near him, but her face was blurry"
"His girlfrid?"
"AHHHHHH!!! NOO!! HE HAS A GIRLFRIEND NOW?"
"I mean he is handsome, so it is natural for him to have a girlfrid."
"NO!!!'
"Maybe only powerful cultivators can breathe in space and looked like he was holding a bow."
"He was fighting someone in space?"
"Eh? Alis?"
"Hahaha, no way"

At this time, Zhao Tian who was hovering in the air glanced down at the reporters and normal people who were gathered in front of the building.

His tied hair fluttered in the gtle breeze and he was wearing a blue casual jacket with pants.

flick He landed on the floor and the people who saw him jumped inside the security bars to take photos of him.

"ZHAO TIAN!"

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The reporters rushed to him to ask questions...

"Mr.Zhao Tian... is the photo of you in space real or not?"

"This hairstyle also looks good on you, Mr.Zhao Tian."

"Mr.Zhao Tian, are you married?"

"Do you have a girlfrid?"

"That woman beside you was that your girlfrid?"

Zhao Tian showed a faint smile and walked past them as he was sured by bodyguards.

"Mr.Zhao Tian... a selfie with me please."

"Me too..."

Zhao Tian allowed them to have selfies with him and soon walked inside the building.

Taking the mobile from his pocket, he saw that the time was 3 pm "I am late by an hour..."

As Zhao Tian tered the conferce room, everyone turned their gazes to him and stood up.

"Mr.Tian..."

Joshua Brown gave a humble bow and soon, Zhao Tian wt and sat beside the Ombudsman of China.

No one asked why he was late.

The Ombudsman had a proud smile on his face and looked a at the people in the conferce room smugly, showing off that Zhao Tian came and sat beside him by himself.

The others also sighed in their hearts because Zhao Tian looked more fridly with the Ombudsman of China.

As Zhao Tian sat, everyone took their seats, and the Ombudsman who was beside him hushed in a low voice.

"I am proud to sit beside the world ssation, Zhao Tian..."

Ev though Zhao Tian is not that much active on social media, day by day, he is getting popular.. because wh they talk about cultivators, Zhao Tian's name is the one that first pops up as the first cultivator.

Joshua Brown who was sitting at the front, spoke "Now that Mr. Tian is here. Let us begin."

Chapter 412: A small meeting!

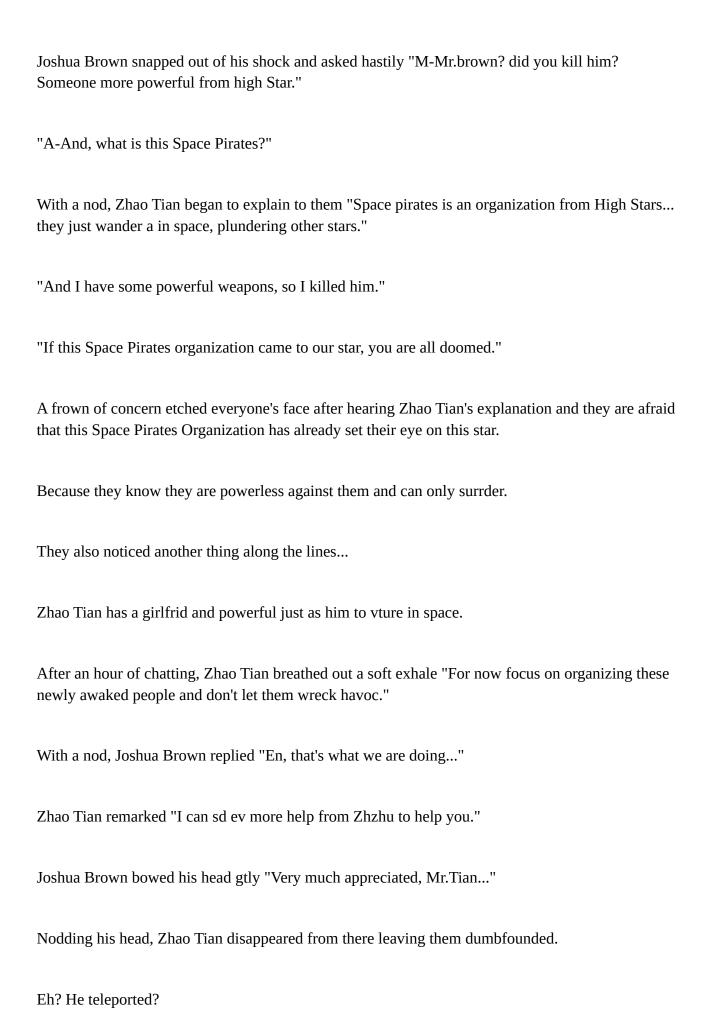
Taking a deep breath, Joshua Brown spoke "Releasing Mr. Tian's picture of him being in space is the first step of revealing the truth about High Stars to the public."

Hearing this, a slight frown appeared on some people's faces while some exchanged bewildered glances.

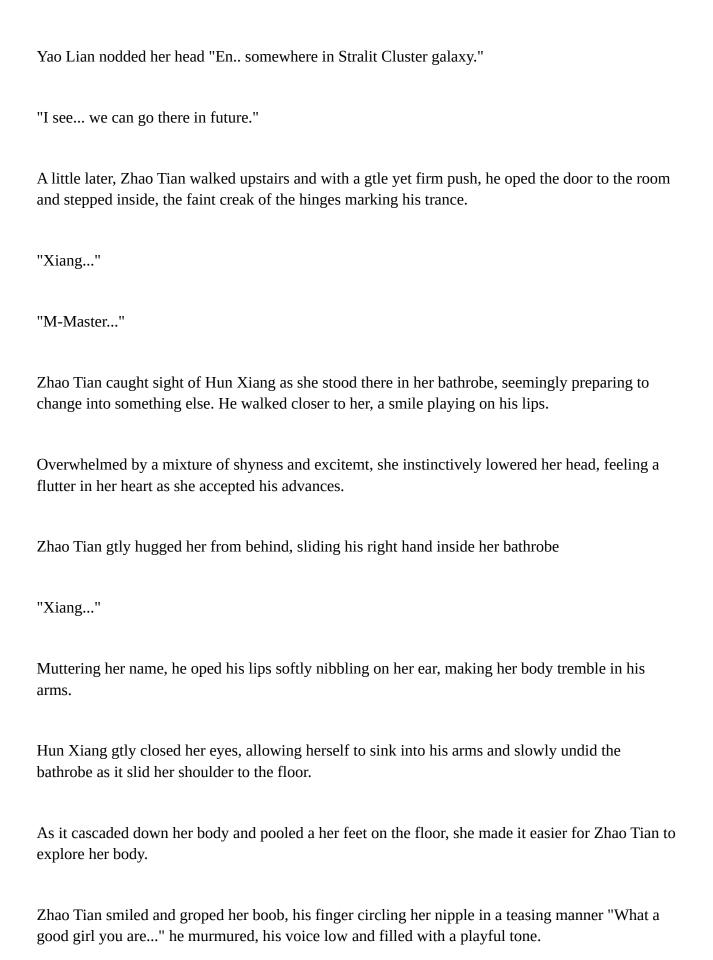
Joshua Brown added "This will be a huge revelation to the public." "Mankind has always sought answers for what lies beyond this solar system. Are there humans or alis out there..." "So wh we reveal this... the public will surely panic and some may ev revolt." "Some may ev say that it is not real and that the governmt is manipulating them." "Nevertheless, we shouldn't abruptly reveal this to the public." "Step by step, we have to tell them to avoid commotion." Upon hearing this, Zhao Tian's gaze squinted and Joshua Brown glanced at Zhao Tian who was deep in his thoughts. "Mr.Tian." Hm? Zhao Tian raised his gaze to look at him and Joshua Brown asked with a smile, "If I may ask... what were you doing in space with a bow?" Hearing his question, Zhao Tian let out a sigh as he leisurely leaned back on his seat "Well, you see, I have placed an artifact to detect if someone from High Stars came near Earth's vicinity." "And as the artifact beeped, I wt to check it with my girlfrid. I saw someone from the Space Pirates Organization patrolling a our planet." "So I killed him..."

WHA- The people in the conferce room were dumbfounded and their jaws dropped to the floor

hearing Zhao Tian casually talking about killing someone from High Star.



flick Zhao Tian appeared back inside the artifact and walked to the living room stretching his arms. Letting out a comfortable sigh, he turned his head and saw Chi Shui playing with Yao Lian in the couch. Seeing Zhao Tian, the pink fox dashed towards him "Master...." It jumped from the g and hopped on his shoulder, caressing its paw on his cheek. Zhao Tian let out a soft chuckle and asked "Do you need something..." With a serious frown, Yao Lian asked "Master... you are going to High stars, right?" "Yeah." The fox asked with a pleading face "Can you drop me at my star on your way." Hearing this, Zhao Tian raised an eyebrow and Yao Lian asked "Y-You are not planning on having me as an slave forever, right?" Zhao Tian shook his head "The reason I made you slave is because I thought you wouldn't be obedit and bicker a." "But surprisingly, you are obedit... so I can drop you on your way." Yao Lian smiled happily and snuggled her face on his cheek cutely "Thank you Master." Smiling, Zhao Tian asked "Do you know where your star is?"



Hearing this, Hun Xiang pouted her lips and glanced away.

Zhao Tian chuckled and pulled her ev closer, making her fall onto his chest.

With a gtle smile dancing across his lips, he planted a tder kiss on her cheek, "What's got my dear in such a huff?" he teased playfully, his voice laced with affection.

Still sulking her lips, Hun Xiang replied "That is because, my Master is not giving me atttion for some days now... He is so busy."

Zhao Tian's hand traveled to her waist, taking in every delicious curve of her body.

As he leaned in closer, his voice dropped to a sultry whisper, "You do realize just how busy I am right now, don't you, my dear?"

His fingers trailed from her waist as it reached down her crotch and Hun Xiang's body stiffed, the soft touch eliciting a shiver of pleasure from her.

Zhao Tian smiled as he caressed her clit with his finger and hushed in her ear "How do you want me to make it up for you?"

Hun Xiang turned a on his arms and raised her hands as she began to remove his jacket "How else, do you think... Master?"

Zhao Tian hugged her and leaned forward, taking her lips in a tder kiss. Hun Xiang too reciprocated the kiss, sipping his lips.

Pulling back from the kiss, Hun Xiang planted small pecks on his soft lips as she she asked, her breath hitting his lips.

"And... the reason you came to visit me?"

Zhao Tian's hand slid down from her waist, trailing softly over her skin until it came to rest on her ass cheeks, where he grasped it firmly in his palms, feeling the warmth and the curves beath his touch.

"I am in Germany right now... and your ring is connected to Zhzhu, right? I wanted to return to Zhzhu..."

puff As she threw his jacket, she ran her delicate fingers over his taunt muscles "I see... are you in a rush?"

Zhao Tian drew her closer, as he looked into her red eyes "I wanted to leave as soon as possible... but after seeing you right now, my plans changed...."

"I have to ravish this cute lamb now."

Hun Xiang giggled upon hearing his tease and wrapped her hands a his neck "I see..."

Chapter 413: A talk with Zhilian!

flick Zhao Tian and Hun Xiang appeared back in Hun Xiang's home in Zhzhu.

Hugging Hun Xiang in his arms, Zhao Tian placed a kiss on her lips.

As he pulled back slightly to gaze into her eyes, he spoke softly "You can return, Xiang."

With a nod, Hun Xiang returned back to the artifact and Zhao Tian teleported out of the house.

After comprehding this space ergy, his teleportation range has wided to approximately 00 meters.

Appearing outside of the house, Zhao Tian was dumbfounded as he raised his gaze to look at the beautiful night sky.

"It is already night?"

He scratched his head with a sigh because he had be having sex with Hun Xiang for a long time, and it became night in the outside world.

swish Dashing in the air, he quickly reached the palace of Zhzhu and stepped into the balcony of Ning Xue's room directly.

"Ahh!"

Hm? As Zhao Tian landed on the balcony, he heard a yell and saw Ning Zhilian, who was sitting on the wood bch sured by pots of plants on the balcony.

"Zhilian..."

Zhao Tian smiled faintly and leaned back on the balcony railing as he admired the beauty in front of him.

Ning Zhilian is wearing skinny night robes, revealing the ticing cleavage of her plump boobs and the fabric is sticking to her skin, showing her beautiful curves.

Ning Zhilian inhaled deeply, attempting to steady her racing heart and her lips twitched in frustration "You... why are you jumping into the balcony like this? You scared me."

But th she felt his gaze on her chest and saw that her cleavage was exposed.

Flustered and caught off guard, she quickly raised her palm to cover her chest, feeling an intse heat rise to her cheeks as a deep blush spread across her skin.

"What exactly are you staring at?" she exclaimed, her voice a mixture of embarrassmt and surprise.

Zhao Tian shrugged casually as he spoke in a teasing tone "What is there to hide? I have se them anyway..."

Hearing this, the blush on Ning Zhilian's face deeped as she remembered Zhao Tian saw her fully naked two times.

And one time was whihe jumped into Ning Xue's room through the balcony like this.

Seeing her blushing face Zhao Tian couldn't help but chuckle and Ning Zhilian retracted her hand from her chest as she caressed her blonde hair behind her ear trying to regain her composure.

Glancing at her purple eyes, which were shining in the gtle moonlight, Zhao Tian asked "Why are you still awake?"

Ning Zhilian shook her head "Nothing... I just couldn't sleep thinking about the future."

"Thinking about the future?"

With a nod, Ning Zhilian uttered "I am worried about the future of Zhzhu as you already know... we don't know wh we will be attacked."

"And we are utterly helpless against them."

As the chilly night breeze caressed them, their hair fluttered in the air and Ning Zhilian took a momt to brush a strand of blonde hair behind her ear.

"I heard from Xue, just a while ago... that you killed someone from the Space pirates who came for patrol with the help of Sister Freya's artifacts."

Zhao Tian nodded his head and a sigh escaped Ning Zhilian's lips "It would have be helpful if Sister Freya was here..."

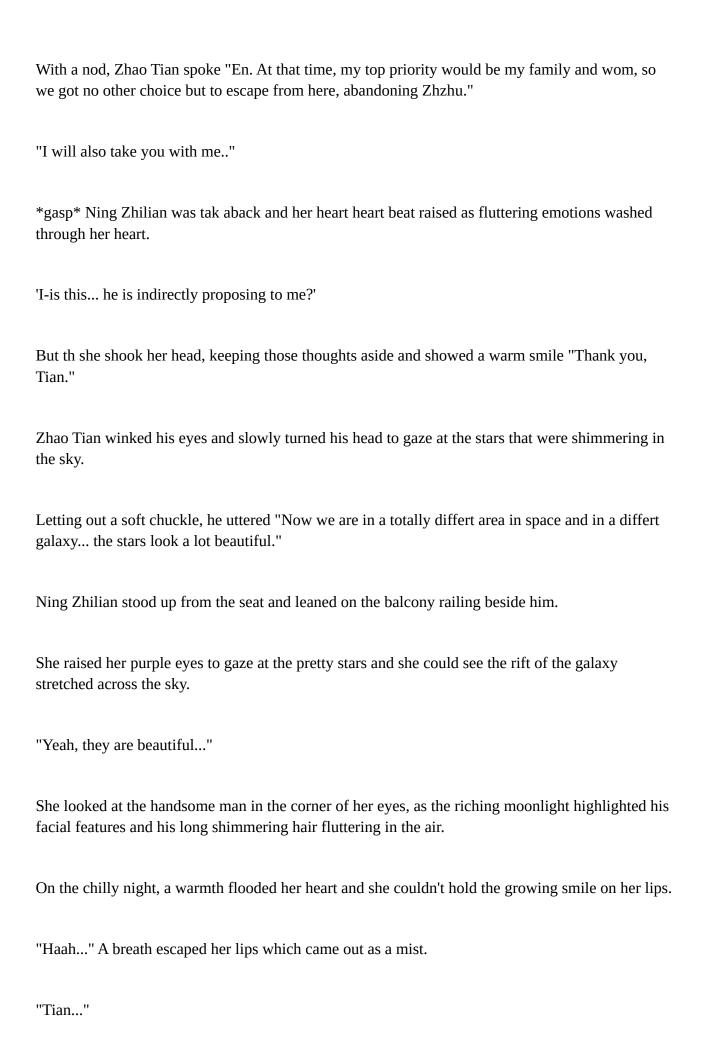
"But I heard she is in a closed cultivation somewhere, in the important stage of fusing her souls and we can't disturb her."

"What can we do, Tian..."

Looking at her face filled with concern, Zhao Tian reassured her "Zhilian... I will try my level best."

"But if the situation got dire, we got no chance but to escape from this star, and at that time, Zhilian I will take you away from this star."

H-Huh? Looking at his gtle smile, a slight blush colored her cheeks and she asked in a soft tone "You will... take me from here?"



At this time, Ning Xue's voice was heard and both of them turned to look at Ning Xue who was sitting on the bed inside the room.

She slid out from under the covers of the bed, her feet touching the cool floor, and walked close to them, filling the gap betwe Zhao Tian and Ning Zhilian.

"Wh did you come here?"

Zhao Tian hugged her in his left arm and uttered "Just now..."

"I see..." She closed her eyes and leaned onto his chest, letting her body seep into the warmth of his embrace.

"Tian..."

Ning Zhilian's eyes condsed seeing their intimate sce and she sighed in her heart.

At this time, Ning Xue remembered something and oped her eyes "By the way, Tian... now that you are leaving to High Star, we sisters discussed and decided that we would be going on a family vacation before all of us leave this star."

Hm? Zhao Tian arched an eyebrow "A small vacation?"

"Yeah... we hav't planned where it is yet and wanted to ask your opinion."

Ning Xue th turned her gaze to Ning Zhilian and spoke "By the way, Big Sister.. if you want, you can also join."

Chapter 414: A cold night!

Ning Xue turned her gaze to Ning Zhilian and spoke "By the way, Big Sister.. if you want, you can also join."

E-Eh? hearing her words, Ning Zhilian was taken aback "Me? You said that you were all going as a family... so.. why?"

Chuckling, Ning Xia replied "Well, the other sisters liked their time with you when they came for the anniversary... so they asked you."

"Join only if you want to... we are not forcing you."

Ning Zhilian took a quick glimpse at Zhao Tian and her eyes condensed in comtemplation "I will think about it."

"I see..." Muttering under her breath, Ning Xue again closed her eyes in his arms and Zhao Tian gently patted her, his gaze fixated on the sky above.

Ning Zhilian stayed silent as only the noises of soothing night winds and the chirping noises of the crickets echoed in the air.

At this time, Zhao Tian remembered something and turned to Ning Zhilian who was leaning on the balcony railing, "Zhilian, send some Elders from the top sects to the Human world to help them in overseeing the newly awakening people."

A slight frown crept over her eyebrows and she nodded her head "Will be done, Tian..."

Zhao Tian smiled upon hearing this and gazed down at Ning Xue on his chest who was already fast asleep.

Chuckling in his mind, he bent down low and gently lifted her body, cradling her carefully in his arms as he made his way toward the bed.

He softly placed her on the bed, and as he tried to pull back, he saw her fingers still clutching on his shirt.

"Tian..."

Muttering his name, she pulled him to the bed and hugged him tightly, her hands hugging his neck as her legs intertwined with his legs.

Zhao Tian couldn't help but chuckle and pulled the white bedsheet covering both of them "It is quite cold, isn't it..."

Ning Xue snuggled on him relishing in the warmth radiating from his body heat and muttered quietly "En..."

Ning Zhilian saw this and shook her head helplessly as she again turned her purple eyes to look at the star and the rift of the galaxy.

Her gaze trembled and she breathed under her lips "I wonder... what's the future gonna be."

She then turned her head to look at Zhao Tian and Ning Xue who were sleeping on the bed, hugging each other closely.

Looking at the face of Zhao Tian, her eyes condensed uncertainty flickering within them. Yet, after a brief moment of hesitation, she shook her head and flew out from the balcony.

As the wind caressed her face, she dashed through the air, reaching a park in the Royal Capital of Zhenzhu.

tap She landed on the ground and glanced at the tombstones in front of her.

Each stone bore the names of those she held dear, and her heart tightened as she recognized the familiar inscriptions of her Father and Mother, etched into the cold granite.

Memories flooded her mind and taking a deep breath, she sat cross-legged on the ground as a mutter slipped past her lips "Mother, Father... I am doing well."

"My Sisters were also doing good. Well, I don't know how they are facing the awkwardness of having the same man..."

A smile formed on her lips "But it is true that they are doing good because they have a wonderful man..."

She rolled her eyes "Well, you see... our star has ascended and..."

A few minutes passed as she continued her talk with her parents, telling them about everything that had happened since she last came here.

She stood up and gently bowed her head "Then I am taking my leave, Father, Mother. I will revisit when I have even more stories to tell."

As she slowly turned her head to glance over her shoulder, she saw Zhao Tian standing just a few feet behind her and her body took a screenshot in panic.

"T-Tian..."

She let out a sigh, calming her panicking heart "Why are you always appearing out of nowhere?"

Zhao Tian showed a faint smile and asked "You came to see your parents late at night like this?"

Ning Zhilian gave a slight nod "Yeah. Ever since the day of the coup... I could barely sleep at night, afraid that something might happen again if I slept at night."

She walked past Zhao Tian and he moved, walking beside her along the empty paths in the park.

"So, sometimes... I just come and visit my parents..."

The gentle rustle of leaves and the soft crunch of gravel beneath their feet created a soothing backdrop to their leisurely walk.

Nodding his head, they continued their walk and Ning Zhilian asked "Weren't you with Little Xue? Why did you.. come here?"

Zhao Tian let out a light chuckle "Seeing you leaving, Xue'er is the one who asked me to go and check on you..."

"I see..." Ning Zhilian muttered under her lips and hugged herself, rubbing her hands for heat, bearing the cold.



Her gaze squinted, looking at his jacket around Ning Zhilian's shoulders and Zhao Tian crawled to her on the bed.

"Xue'er..."

Ning Xue againt nestled into his arms and he hugged her back, their legs entwining.

Looking at them, Ning Zilian glanced away and removed the jacket from her body.

She came and sat on the bed beside Zhao Tian and slowly lay beside him, still a safe distance between them.

As she glanced at his back, she muttered in her heart 'Since he is here, everything will be alright...'

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Meanwhile, at the same time, two large arks were moving in space at a rapid speed, and on one of the arks, a handsome middle-aged man, wearing blue and black cloak is sitting on the luxurious seat.

The man then turned his head to look at the man who was standing behind him and uttered "What was his name again?"

"Your Highness, its Zhao Tian."

Chapter 415: From High Stars?!

The gentle rays of the morning sun seeped through the delicate fabric of the curtains, casting a warm, golden hue over the room.

Zhao Tian stirred slightly, his arm draped over Ning Xue, who lay nestled against his chest.

Ning Xue's eyes fluttered open, her long lashes brushing against Zhao Tian's skin.

She shifted slightly, her head still resting on his chest, and smiled as she felt the steady rhythm of his heartbeat beneath her ear.

Zhao Tian, feeling her movement, slowly opened his eyes. His gaze softened as he looked down at Ning Xue, her delicate face enriched by the morning light.

He tightened his embrace ever so slightly, pulling her closer and pressing a tender kiss to the top of her head.

"Good morning," he whispered, his voice still husky with sleep.

Ning Xue smiled, her eyes shimmering with warmth and affection as she gazed up at him. "Good morning, Tian," she said gently, her voice barely above a whisper.

She then turned her eyes to the back of Zhao Tian and saw Ning Zhilian sitting on the bed, tying her blonde hair.

"Big Sister..."

Ning Zhilian had a gentle smile on her face as she glanced at them. "Good morning..."

With a nod, Ning Xue got down from the bed, her body instinctively arching as she stretched her arms high above her head as a yawn slipped past her lips "I shall order someone to prepare the bath and tea for us."

Zhao Tian slowly slid out from under the covers of the bed, his feet touching the cool floor as he stood up. "Okay..."

As she stepped out of the room, Ning Zhilian made her way toward him and suddenly hugged him, her hands entwining around his waist.

Hm? Zhao Tian was taken aback by her sudden hug, and because she was wearing a thin dress, he could feel her soft boobs pressing on his chest.

"Zhilian..."

Ning Zhilian retracted the hug and took a step back, a sweet smile gracing her lips "I... it felt like its been so long.. since I got a proper sleep."

"i am always cautious that something might happen.. if I fell asleep and I couldn't sleep properly."

"But... yesterday, when you were beside me... I just thought, since you are here... i can sleep peacefully."

She scratched her head awkwardly. "I know... it is quite silly, but it is what it is... Thank you for that."

Understanding her feelings, Zhao Tian nodded his head and returned her smile.

beep *beep*

However, at this time, Zhao Tian suddenly heard a beep sound and a deep frown creased his white eyebrows.

H-Huh? Ning Zhilian panicked and glanced around in confusion "W-What is happening, Tian?"

At this time, Ning Xue also returned to the room after informing the servant to prepare a bath and morning tea for them.

Zhao Tian took a blue beacon from his storage ring and saw it beeping in red.

Hm? Curiosity piqued, Ning Xue walked to him and saw the beacon on his palm glowing in red.

"Tian, this is?"

Letting out a sigh, Zhao Tian replied "The artifact Shenyi gave me to check if anyone came close to our earth's vicinity."

H-Huh? Ning Xue and Ning Zhilian were startled to hear this and Ning Xue hastily asked, "Wait, Tian... there are people from outside coming towards our star?"

"Yeah..."

Ning Zhilian narrowed her eyes and muttered "If they are this quick... maybe they are from this Space pirates organization?"

Upon hearing this, Zhao Tian gave a slight nod "Most likely."

Ning Xue's eyes crescented in concern and she hugged Zhao Tian "Then... Tian, you don't have to go and check on them..."

"Let's just leave this star."

Ning Zhilian also agreed on this and sighed in her heart. She knows it is selfish to leave like this abandoning everyone, but they can't confront an enemy, knowing well that they are going to lose.

Zhao Tian patted Ning Xue's head "No, Xue'er... let me go and check on them."

"The others should be already inside the artifact. If the situation gets dire... I will signal you and you bring Zhilian inside the artifact."

Ning Xue gave a reluctant nod and kissed him, her breath hitting his lips "Be careful out there, Tian..."

"En..."

Looking at the back of Zhao Tian as he dashed from the balcony, Ning Xue's gaze trembled and a strange sense of worry crept on her heart.

She turned to look at Ning Zhilian and gently grasped her hand "Sister... let me take you back to the artifact now."

Huh? Ning Zhilian was confused and tilted her head "What artifact?"

"Come with me.." *swoosh*

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Zhao Tian, who was flying high in the air, retrieved his mobile phone from his storage ring and called Zhao Ying.

Zhao Ning, who was scrolling through Insta saw her Brother calling and quickly attended the call "Tian'er?"

"Ying'er, everyone is inside the artifact, right?"

Zhao Ning frowned slightly and nodded "Yeah, everyone is here.. Aunt Zuiye and Yueli too. They are all here.. ahh, Sister Xue is out in Zhenzhu."

"Ling Sisters are sleeping inside the artifact, so yeah... all of them are here."

Zhao Tian gave a nod "Good."

He cancelled the call and then called Joshua Brown to alert him about this.

Seeing his number, Joshua Brown also quickly picked up his call, bringing the mobile close to his ear.

"Mr.Tian?"

Zhao Tian spoke "Quickly alert the president of Russia. Someone from the High Stars is coming towards that point of Earth."

H-Huh? Joshua Brown was completely taken aback but soon, understanding the situation, he nodded his head.

"A-As you say, Mr.Tian."

Cancelling the call, panic gripped his heart "I-It has only been a week, and we are already getting invaded."

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swoosh *swoosh*

Two enormous futuristic looking space arks dashed closer to Earth.

And in one of the two great arks, one middle aged man was standing on the front, looking at the blue green planet.

"Hm, this star looks so small compared to other High Stars..."

The man who was beside him spoke in a respectable tone "It is to be expected, Your Highness."

"After all, this star has just been ascended into a high star."

"Yeah..." The man nodded his head and turned his gaze to the planet that they were going to occupy.

Chapter 416: The arrival of intruders!

It was a crisp, clear morning over the skies of Siberia. The sun had just begun to rise, casting a soft golden light over the snow-covered landscape.

Life in the cities below moved at its usual pace; people bustled about, traffic hummed along the streets, and the distant mountains stood silent.

Then, something strange began to happen.

High above the skies, two enormous shapes materialized dispersing the clouds around it. They were massive, sleek, and futuristic, painted in white and blue.

They moved slowly, as if observing the world below.

A glint of light caught the eye of a young boy playing in a snowy field outside his home.

He squinted up at the sky, shading his eyes with his gloved hand. What he saw made his heart skip a beat—a massive, white object slowly descending through the clouds.

"Papa!" he called, running toward his father, who was chopping wood nearby. "Look at that!"

A frown appeared on the man's face and he looked up from his work. He followed his son's gaze and froze.

H-Huh? The man dropped his axe, his breath fogging in the cold air as he stared at the two enormous arks in stunned silence.

A woman glanced up as she exited a café, her coffee cup in hand. The sky seemed darker than it should be, and when she looked closer, she gasped, nearly dropping her cup.

Within minutes, word spread like wildfire. People rushed out of their homes and workplaces, craning their necks to get a better view of the strange phenomenon in the sky.

Soon the streets were filled with the sound of clicking cameras and the low murmur of disbelief.

"Are those UFOs?" a man muttered, his voice trembling with a mix of awe and anxiety.

"They must be aliens," a woman next to him whispered, her phone held high as she recorded the scene. "What else could they be?"

"Bozhe Moi!"

As the arks drew nearer, they passed through the atmosphere, their exteriors glowing with a faint blue energy that dissipated the clouds.

By now, the news had spread beyond Russia's borders.

Across the world, people were glued to their screens, watching live feeds of the event.

Every news channel had switched to coverage of the arks, with anchors speaking in hushed, breathless tones as they tried to make sense of what they were seeing. On the ground, military forces across Russia were mobilizing. Jets roared into the sky, circling the arks from a distance. People continued to take photos and videos, some livestreaming the event to millions of viewers worldwide. Social media exploded with theories and speculations. Hashtags like #AlienInvasion, #ArkArrival, and #UFOsOverRussia began trending within minutes. "Hey.. you remember Zhao Tian in space..." "Maybe he knows about this?" "Ahh where is he?" "He should be in China manhhh!" "I have a theory that they might be powerful cultivators from other planets in space?" "Woahh what the hell..." "And the technology seems so advanced.. " "We don't have to worry, since Zhao Tian is here, he will take care of them..."

The handsome middle aged man looked down at the developed cities, cars, bikes and vehicles running on the ground.

A slight frown appeared on his face as the man, Zarek Talon, uttered "Hm... Even though they are not advanced like us, compared to some high stars.. this is not bad."

The man who was standing behind him, Sorion Kalen, wearing blue cloak nodded his head "Yes. Your Highness..."

"But we can see that they are not using astral energy or astral stones for power. They are using another form of energy."

"Hm.."

Looking at the buildings and bustling roads, Zarek Talon muttered under his breath "Seems like there is no place for us to land our ark."

Sorion Kalen nodded his head "Yea, Your Highness... let's just wait for someone in this star to come and see us."

Zarek Talon sat back on his seat, his eyes glancing at the fighter jets revolving around their arks.

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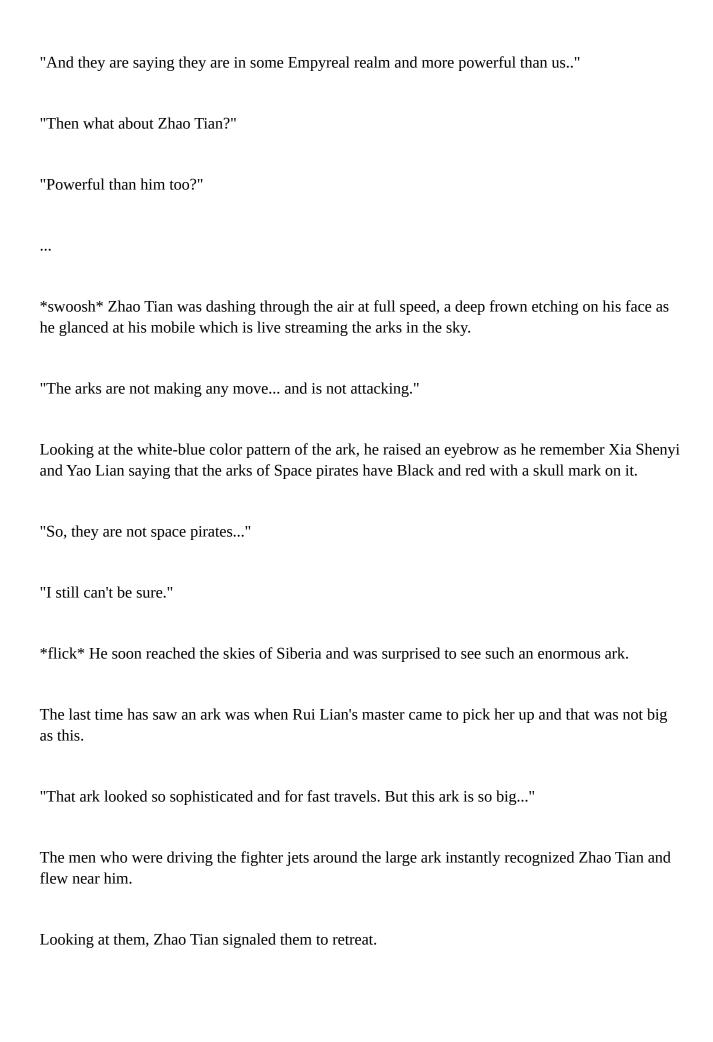
Meanwhile, the public is in panic and at this time, a video of Joshua Brown telling the truth about the arks was released.

"The arks you were all seeing belong to the cultivators of the High stars..."

A long 10 minute video of him speaking about the cultivators and explaining it was streamed across the globe.

Soon, the presidents of the respective nations also released videos explaining the situation in their own languages so people could understand.

"C-Cultivators from high star?"



The men hesitated whether to retreat or not and at this time, they heard their Commander speaking "Do what Zhao Tian is saying..."

Nodding their heads, they retreated their fighter jets from the arks but still some helicopters and media helicopters were flying around the ark.

Zhao Tian took a deep breath and floated toward the front of the ark, showing himself to the people inside there.

If anything bad happens, he can use Prime time to revert back six seconds and escape into the artifact.

The people on the ground who were live streaming the event via mobiles and the News which are telecasting the incident sighed in relief seeing Zhao Tian.

"Now that Zhao Tian is here... we have hope."

Chapter 417: Zarek Talon!

Inside the artifact, Xia Shenyi, Zhao Suyin, Zhao Ying, Ning Xue, and Ning Zhilian were sitting on the couch looking at the mobile of Zhao Yiang, watching the stream of the Ark Invasion.

Zhao Suyin was panicking, praying in her heart; that nothing would happen to Zhao Tian.

A slight frown crept on Xia Shenyi's face glancing at the futuristic and enormous ark painted with blue and white.

"They are not space pirates..."

Hm? Hearing this, all of them turned their eyes to Xia Shenyi and Ning Xue hastily asked "T-Then do you know who they are... Tian will be ok, right?"

With a nod, Xia Shenyi spoke "By the looks of it, this ark is from Ebon Luohe star, one of the apex six high stars."

Ning Zhilian blinked her eyes "Just like Freya's star... Elven star?"

Looking at the new woman, Xia Shenyi nodded her head "Yeah..." "They are not bad people and have a good reputation, so I hope nothing bad happens to Tian." The others let out a sigh of relief and Ning Zhilian's gaze trembled as she clutched her palm 'I hope he will be alright.' At this time, Ning Yueli dashed through the stairs reaching the living room and yelled "SISTER YING!! ARE YOU WATCHING THE STREAM?" "Yeah.." Zarek Talon stood up from his seat, a flash of surprise passing through his eyes looking at the handsome man floating in front of their ark, his white hair fluttering in the air. He raised an eye in amusement "He is quite handsome..." Sorion Kalen gave a faint nod and spoke "Yes, Your Highness..." 'Why the hell are we talking about that?' Coughing slightly, he turned to walk "Open the door, let go, and welcome our Little Guest." Zhao Tian who was levitating outside was still quite nervous and sighed in his heart. A little later, the door of the majestic ark opened and Zarek Talon and Sorion Kalen came outside, walking in mid-air. Looking at the tall handsome middle-aged man, Zhao Tian frowned slightly and the people across the whole world also saw that man's face in the telecast.

Xia Shenyi who was watching the telecast, was taken aback as she uttered "T-This is Zarek Talon, the Emperor of the Ebon Luohe star." "H-Huh?? The Emperor himself came to occupy a star?" Zhao Suyin who was beside her frowned slightly "Is that a big thing?" "Yeah.. the Emperors of the Star rarely leave their star, but Zarek Talon himself has come to visit this star... why?" Zhao Ying, who was beside her squinted her eyes "Maybe he thinks this star is special because this is an ascended star, unlike other High stars?" With a slight nod, Xia Shenyi nodded her head "Might be..." "Uhh... we can't hear what they are going to speak." "Let's just see what is happening." Zarek Talon showed a faint smile as he walked towards Zhao Tian and extended his hand "I am Zarek Talon, Emperor of Ebon Luohe star." Zhao Tian also reached out to shake his hand and replied with a slight smile "Zhao Tian."

Hm? Zarek Talon raised an eyebrow and Sorion Kalen was also surprised 'So this is... Zhao Tian, that 'person' said.'

With a nod, Zhao Tian retracted his hand and spoke keeping his smile "It is a surprise that the Emperor of one of the six apex stars came to visit our star."

Hearing this, Zarek Talon chuckled heartedly and replied "Haha, your star is a special young man. How can I not come to personally visit it."

But in reality, even an ascended star could not force Zarek Talon to leave his star.

The only reason, he left the star was because of the 'person's' order, who forced him to go and visit the star to visit a young man named 'Zhao Tian.'.

Smiling, Zhao Tian replied "I am glad it's not the Space Pirates."

With a nod, Zarek Talon spoke "Yeah... that organization is really annoying."

Joshua Brown, the Presidents, the cultivators, and others around the world smiled in relief to see the middle-aged man laughing and chatting with Zhao Tian.

"Zhao Tian really saved our star."

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Zarek Talon continued as he looked into the blue eyes of Zhao Tian "I am sure you know why we are here..."

With a nod, Zhao Tian replied "Yeah..."

Zarek Talon smiled and gestured his hand to enter the ark "Come on let's discuss inside, Zhao Tian..."

Nodding his head, Zhao Tian took two steps forward but at this time, suddenly a beep sound was heard surprising him.

beep *beep*

Hm? Zhao Tian raised an eyebrow and retracted a blue beacon from his storage ring.

Looking at the blue beacon shining in red, a frown crept over Zhao Tian's face and Zarek Talon also stopped.



flick At this time, the door opened and someone stepped out of the ark...

Chapter 418: Who is this?

The public began to panic watching the telecast as the new ark that had just appeared floated in front of Zhao Tian and Zarek Talon.

Zhao Tian's white hair fluttered in the gentle morning breeze, his blue eyes fixated on the ark in front of him.

A slight frown crept over his face looking at the ark 'And now who is this?'

Zarek Talon and Sorion Kalen were not afraid, as they were one of the powerful entities in the High Stars...

flick The door opened and the anticipation in Zhao Tian's heart grew.

tap Glancing at the beautiful purple heel, Zhao Tian raised an eyebrow 'It is a woman...'

A woman stepped out of the ark, her light purple hair gracefully dancing on her shoulders and her light purple eyes glinting in the morning sunlight, her body draped in regal purple robes, a purple veil hiding half of her face.

-_- Zarek Talon and Sorion Kalen's faces darkened upon seeing the woman and they gulped their saliva in nervousness.

Because the 'person' who told them about Zhao Tian and ordered them to go and capture the star is none other than... her.

Zhao Tian was amused in his heart looking at the breathtaking beauty and he has to admit that the woman is really gorgeous.

Not only him, but everyone in the world watching the broadcast was surprised to see the drop-dead gorgeous woman.

Looking at the woman, Xia Shenyi was confused "Who is.. she?"

As she stepped out of the ark, standing in mid-air, the ark disappeared into a golden ray; disappearing into the storage ring on her finger.

Her cold purple eyes glanced over at Zhao Tian and her eyes lingered on him for a moment before turning them to Zarek Talon.

Feeling her gaze, Zarek Talon slightly lowered his head and Sorion Kalen bowed his head in respect.

Zhao Tian also noticed their reactions in the corner of her eyes and a frown crept over his face 'Even the Emperor of a High Star lowers his head in front of her?'

As he locked his eyes with her, his heart palpated to see the coldness in her gaze melt and a gentle yet soft smile appeared on her lips.

She took light steps walking toward him and Zhao Tian extended his hand to greet her "I am-"

puff However, the woman didn't care about his hand and directly hugged him, her arms finding their place around his neck.

She closed her eyes in bliss, feeling the warmth of his body enveloping her, as her skin grazed against his.

'After... thousands of years... I finally met you, Husband...'

Wha- Zhao Tian, Zarek Talon, Sorion Kalen, and everyone watching the broadcast, their jaws dropped when the woman suddenly hugged Zhao Tian.

"W-What is happening?"

"I am not sure either."

"Maybe she fell for Zhao Tian's charm..."

"Looking at his handsome face, i-it is possible..." Xia Shenyi and the other women were dumbfounded and glanced at each other in confusion. Ning Yueli jumped from her seat in excitement "I knew it! Brother Tian has been cheating on us all along with another woman behind our back." Huh? -_-The women stared at her blankly and turned to look at Ning Zuiye who was embarrassed by her daughter's antics. "S-She was just kidding.. h-hahaha." Zhao Tian blinked his eyes in surprise feeling the delicate body of the woman in his arms and her sweet fragrance muddled his senses. Closing his eyes, he gently hugged her back, his arms wrapping around her waist and he unconsciously pressed her body onto him in habit as he usually hugs his women like that. μον@ειhoſтє+d&-M!v*LeШ?р¥я Huh? The woman was surprised and opened her eyes. Zhao Tian also realized that he was hugging this random woman tightly and loosened a bit. Looking at her face, he showed a friendly smile "Um.." The woman let out a soft giggle and brought her lips close to his ears "I didn't expect Mr.Zhao Tian to be a pervert."

Eh? Zhao Tian was taken aback to hear his name from her lips. 'She... even knows my name.' His arms still hugging her waist, Zhao Tian leaned forward to hush back in her ear and the woman laughed in her heart. "May I ask what your name is..." Smiling in her heart, she replied in a seductive tone "Artoria Evelyne..." 'Artoria...' Nodding in his mind, he asked "So uh, Miss Artoria, why do you know my name?" "Artoria..." Artoria Evelyne replied with a faint smile on her lips. Hm? Zhao Tian raised an eyebrow and looking at his face, Artoria Evelyne uttered "Call me Artoria..." Zhao Tian was startled and smiled dryly in his mind 'Who even is this woman actually...' Letting out a sigh in his heart, he whispered to her all the while, his hands still on her hips "Artoria... why do you know about me?" Artoria Evelyne winked her eyes and replied with a teasing smile "That's a secret. It can't be told..." -_- Zhao Tian stared at her blankly as she refused to say anything and Artoria Evelyne laughed in her mind looking at his face.

Meanwhile, Xia Shenyi who was watching the steam via Zhao Ying's mobile, her lips twitched in

frustration.

"Ying, everyone is watching this right?"

Even though the quality of the video is not so high, they can see that the woman is hugging him and whispering in each other's ears.
Zhao Ying nodded her head "Yeah"
"Why the hell is he acting lovey-dovey with that woman in front of all the people? Who even is she?"
"Does he know about her already?"
Sighing, Zhao Suyin shook her head "Tian never told anything about this woman. Let's wait for his return before falling to any conclusions."
"En"
"Yaayy Brother Tian is obviously cheating on us. Hehehe."
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They turned their stares to Ning Zuiye and with a deep blush she uttered "P-Please stop looking at me like that."
Artoria Evelyne retracted herself from his hands and turned her eyes to Zarek Talon "Well, anyway let's get to the reason we are here."
"Guide our way."
Zarek Talon and Sorion Kalen walked first and Zhao Tian and Artoria Evelyne followed them back into the ark.
Chapter 419: The Negotiations!

tap Zhao Tian, Artoria Evelyne, Zarek Talon and Sorion Kalen were walking through the space of the ark.

As they walked, the ambient lights of the ark illuminated their path, casting a warm glow on their faces

Zhao Tian's blue eyes wandered around in amusement looking at the interior of the futuristic ark and Artoria Eveylne found it cute seeing his curious eyes.

Leaning to him, she uttered in a low voice "Are you curious about this ark?"

Zhao Tian glanced at her and nodded his head "Yeah..."

With a smile, Artoria Evelyne replied "Well, it is nothing much... they run on High astral stone in the main chamber and the astral energy is the power source."

"Ebon Luohe star ranks top among other High Stars in futuristic technologies like this... even better than Elven Star."

Upon hearing this, Zarek Talon raised his chest proudly and turned his head to look at Zhao Tian with a smile on his face.

Artoria Evelyne continued "But in terms of creating powerful artifacts... no one can best Elven Star."

=-= Zarek Talon smile dimmed but he had to admit that what she said was true.

He again took a quick glimpse at Artoria Evelyne and let out a deep sigh in his heart.

The reason he is obeying her commands even though he is standing on the epitome of power in High Stars is simply because that woman is from... Astral Realm.

So he couldn't refuse her order when she asked them to go and capture a new star that had recently ascended.

Naturally, they were excited because a Star's ascension is so rare, that the number of stars known with that status can be counted with fingers.

She also informed them to meet 'Zhao Tian' of this new High star and offer peaceful negotiations with him.

And he also came with one of the biggest arks he had to show his dominance and frighten the people of this star a little...

However, they didn't expect the 'person' herself to give an appearance.

They soon reached a conference room and Zhao Tian's eyes were still glancing around in curiousness.

Zhao Tian took his seat around the digital table and took a moment to glance at the transparent screen integrated into the table, its sleek design reflecting the ambient light of the room.

'Woah...' He was fascinated to see the digital illustrations and reached out to check if its touchable.

As his finger grazed the table's upper surface, the image on the table moved showing another Earth-like planet.

flick In the next instant, it appeared like a hologram hovering above the table surface and he was totally impressed.

He reached out and gently moved his fingers and the hologram image levitating above the table also began to move.

Artoria Evelyne couldn't help but laugh in her heart glancing at Zhao Tian as he looked like a child who got a new toy and playing with it.

She carefully slid a chair across the floor to sit very close to him.

Zarek Talon took a seat opposite to Zhao Tian and Sorion Kalen stood behind him. εxpes&ie#πçε\$-- Zarek Talon didn't mind Zhao Tian playing with the star's database on the table but he was quite fascinated to see a powerful woman from the Astral realm glued to a man from High Star like this.

Maybe she got attracted to his handsome face?

Zhao Tian also realized that he got distracted by the hologram features and moved his eyes to Artoria Evelyne who was seated beside him.

'Eh? Why is she... being so close to me? I don't know who even is she... but she knows my name and that I am also a pervert.'

'And if Zarek Talon is lowering his head, she is most likely from... the Astral Realm.'

'But I know no one from there. Maybe.. she overheard when I introduced myself to Zarek Talon and that's how she knows my name?'

Shaking his thoughts, he then turned to Zarek Talon, who was seated opposite to him.

Zarek Talon glanced into his eyes and started to speak "Mr.Zhao Tian, The ascension of your world has not gone unnoticed,"

"With such a leap in status comes both opportunity and danger. There are many in the cosmos who would see this star's newfound strength as a threat. It is in light of this that I have come to offer... a proposition."

With a nod, Zhao Tian asked "Let me hear them, Mr.Zarek Talon."

Sorion Kalen gripped his palm in anger because, since the beginning, Zhao Tian had not shown any respect to his Emperor but as his gaze swept over to the woman beside him, he sighed in his heart.

Zarek Talon also felt it strange being called by his name but looking at Artoria, he just... gave up.

'Whatever...'

He continued "My star, Ebon Luohe, has existed as a high star for millennia. We have faced the trials and tribulations that come with such power, and we have emerged stronger for it."

"But we understand that a newly ascended star, such as your star, is vulnerable. Without the proper guidance and protection, it could easily fall prey to those who would exploit or destroy it."

He paused, letting his words sink in before continuing. "I offer your star a partnership. Under the banner of Ebon Luohe, your star would receive the protection and guidance it needs to thrive in this new position."

"In return, we would take a portion of your star's resources—minerals, energy, and other assets that are abundant here but rare in the universe. In exchange, we would bring to your star the advancements of Ebon Luohe: technology, knowledge, and power far beyond anything you could imagine."

"You speak of protection," Zhao Tian said slowly, his eyes locked on Zarek Talon's. "Yet you also speak of taking our resources."

"How can we be certain that this partnership will not simply reduce Earth to a vassal state, drained of its lifeblood for the benefit of another?"

Zarek's smile widened slightly, as if he had anticipated the question and as he was about to speak, a loud voice echoed through the ark.

"Father!!!"

Eh?

Zarek Talon's face darkened upon hearing the scream and Sorion Kalen, who was beside him spoke "Seems like the Young lady has woken up from her slumber, Your Highness."

Chapter 420: Negotiations 2!

As Zhao Tian, Zarek Talon, Sorion Kalen and Artoria Evelyne entered the ark, the people who were watching the stream were quite disappointed.

They began to wonder what would happen and created speculations. While they were also worrying for Zhao Tian. Seeing them entering the ark in the live stream, Xia Shenyi let out a sigh and leaned back on the couch. Zhao Suyin cast a concerned glance in Shenyi's direction, her brow furrowing with anxiety "Shenyi, nothing will happen to Tian... right?" Xia Shenyi shook her head faintly "Don't worry... since it's the Ebon Luohe star nothing would happen to Tian... I am pretty sure." "But now I am confused about the woman who appeared just now and hugged Tian for a long time." "Who... is she." *tap* At this time, another woman casually walked down the stairs with a long sword in her hand. Shi Yixian took a quick glance at the women gathered on the couch and raised an eyebrow looking at the new woman... Ning Zhilian. Then she didn't bother to take a second glance at them and walked towards the door, so she could start her sword training. Ning Zhilian blinked her eyes as this was the first time she had seen this woman, though she had already seen all the other women of Zhao Tian during the anniversary festival. Xia Shenyi saw Shi Yixian leaving the room in the corner of her eyes and raised an eyebrow 'Let's ask if she knows about her...' "Yixian."

Hearing Xia Shenyi's voice, Shi Yixian stopped and turned her eyes to her "Shenyi..."

Xia Shenyi smiled and gestured "Come here, Yixian"
She then turned to Zhao Ying "Ying you have the picture of her, right?"
Zhao Ying was dumbfounded and replied "I didn't take a screenshot well we can get it easily if we check the stream."
Ning Yueli jumped from her sofa and rushed to them "Don't worry, I took screenshots. After all, we need proof that Brother Tian is cheating on us."
'You still onto that?' They all looked at her helplessly.
"Ahhh her face is still quite blurry in the stream too."
Zhao Ying gave a nod "It can't be helped because they are afraid of the arks and didn't get too close to that for streaming from helicopters."
"Yeah, Yeah"
Xia Shenyi showed the mobile screen to Shi Yixian and asked "Yixian do you know her?"

"Father!!!"
Eh?
Zarek Talon's face darkened upon hearing the scream and Sorion Kalen, who was beside him spoke "Seems like the Young lady has woken up from her slumber, Your Highness."
Zhao Tian was also surprised to hear the charming voice interrupting them and at this time the automatic door on the side opened.

A young woman stepped into the room, her striking appearance immediately capturing attention.

She had short black hair with wolf cut that framed her face and added an edgy flair to her overall look along with her deep green eyes.

Dressed in a flowing black cloak that billowed softly around her as she moved, she exuded an air of confidence.

As her gaze fell on the handsome man sitting on the table, she raised an eyebrow in surprise "Wohoo..."

She then turned her gaze to the woman sitting next to him who seemed to be deep in her thoughts.

thud She kicked on the chair where Zarek Talon was sitting, causing him to jump slightly in surprise and spoke in a cocky tone.

"Oi, Father... I told you to wake me up when you reach that damn star and you didn't wake me up."

Zarek Talon turned his head and nodded "Uh, yeah... Lyra, I was quite busy, so I couldn't wake you up."

"Tch..." Lyra talon clicked her tongue and then turned her gaze to Zhao Tian and locked eyes with him.

"Mhmmm..." Amused by his handsome face, she went beside him and sat on the table in front of him "And, who is this Father?"

With a nod, Zarek Talon spoke "he is mr.Zhao Tian... he is from this newly ascended High Star."

"I see..." She muttered under her breath glancing at him, curiousity dancing in her eyes.

Looking at Zhao Tian, Zarek Talon spoke "Mr. Tian, this is my daughter... Lyra Talon."

"Hehe..." With a mischievous glint in her eyes, Lyra Talon flashed a cheeky smile and waved her hand playfully "Hi hi." Zhao Tian nodded his head and replied with a smile "Hello..." *ahem* With a slight cough, Zarek Talon spoke "Lyra... we are having an important discussion so..." Hm? Lyra Talon rolled her eyes at him and got down from the table as she huffed under her breath "Whatever... your so-called important talk is just... ridiculous..." She stretched her arms and glanced at Zhao Tian "By the way, how many moons does your star have?" "Only one." Lyra Talon narrowed her eyes slightly, a thoughtful expression crossing her face and then she turned her head to Zarek Talon "Then I am taking the mini ark and roaming this star circle system and this star for a bit." Zarek Talon gave a nod and replied "Be careful out there.." "Yeah Yeah..." Before she made her way out, she took a moment to look over at Zhao Tian, a friendly smile spreading across her face as she said "Bye, Zhao... see you later." Zhao? Zhao Tian nodded his head "Yeah... see you later." "Show me around your star if you have time later." "Sure..."

Zarek Talon stole a quick glance at Artoria Evelyne, who appeared to be lost in her own world, and couldn't help but frown slightly, a flicker of concern crossing his mind as he wondered, 'Is she upset or angry about something?'

Various thoughts are running inside Artoria Evelyne's head 'I didn't do anything that could potentially disrupt the course of destiny for my husband, did I?' she pondered, her heart heavy with concern.

'I did them in order... uh, I don't want anything to happen because of my words....'

'This destiny and fate is a mysterious thing and... I shouldn't mess with that.'

'Wait.. calling his name suddenly and hugging him... I-is that interfering?'

'B-But after thousand years... I saw him, so I just couldn't... stop myself from hugging him.'

Her face darkened as she remembered a pair of golden eyes 'Ahh... if I interfere much, that woman is going to be pissed off.'

She glanced at Zhao Tian in the corner of her purple eyes 'The intricate knot of destiny between heavens, Honoured One and this world itself... along with the First Honoured One...'

'I shall just do my job along the course of destiny... for now.'