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Sitting by the bedside, Chen Ge leaned against the wall for support. His one arm was inside his backpack as he lifted his head to study the monster that was crawling on the ceiling. There was no fear in his eyes. If anything, there was more than a trace of befuddlement. This was something the monster had not experienced before. The two looked at each other like that quite for some time, and neither of them was quick to make any move lest they were caught in a trap.

“Wen Qing has been rescued again by that invisible child. Assuming that child is the ghost fetus, why would he care about Wen Qing’s safety at every moment? Based on what I know of him, he is not the kind of person who would do any sacrifice for another person’s mother. After all, in the worlds of the other children, he never once offered aid to rescue the family members of the other chosen children.” Chen Ge gave it some more thought. The most logical explanation was that Xiang Nuan had joined himself with the ghost fetus. Or rather, Xiang Nuan did not exist at all in this world, and Xiang Nuan was the ghost fetus from the very beginning.

The rustling sound kept coming from above him. The monster made up from multiple human heads crawled on the ceiling. Black threads that gave off a horrible smell dangled out from the many orifices of the many heads. The monster was much more careful than Chen Ge expected. Many pairs of vicious and heartless eyes stared at Chen Ge. It hesitated for a long time before it started to approach this prey before it that was quite unusual. Chen Ge was nothing like the other human beings that it had encountered before.

The stench enveloped Chen Ge. The human heads were inching closer and closer. This scene was enough to scare any grown man until they fainted, but for Chen Ge, it caused his brows to crease slightly.

The monsters from the black fog and red city appear to be quite different in nature. They give me a completely different feeling.

The confusion in Chen Ge’s eyes gradually dissipated. He was like a biologist in real life, studying a species facing extinction that he had not seen before at a close distance.

Most of the monsters in the red city are covered in blood. The baleful Specters, Half Red Specters, and Red Specters had their power determined based on the amount of blood they have and the level of resentment they carry with them, but it’s different with the monsters from the black fog. Their ability does not seem to correlate to the amount of blood they have on their body. They give off a deep sense of hatred and the urge to destroy.

The essence of a Specter is a lingering obsession. When faced with a Specter, I rarely feel the emotion of disgust. In fact, sometimes, I feel pity for them. But these monsters from the black fog elicit the disgust from my heart. It appears like the chance for me to recruit these creature as my haunted house employees is close to zero.

His mind working on overtime, Chen Ge looked at the monster before him. He finally uttered the thought that he was thinking. “I cannot give up on any ‘person’ so easily. When all my employees wake

up, I should try to capture a few of the monsters from the black fog alive and bring them home with me to see if I can help them correct their irregular and incorrect life view.”

Chen Ge himself knew how difficult the challenge he had undertaken was, but he still wanted to give it a try. Perhaps he was being naïve, thinking everyone could be rescued.

The monsters from the black fog lacked humanity, but that did not mean that they lacked the faculty of thought. These monsters were incredibly cunning. The human heads on the ceiling probed again and again before finally confirming Chen Ge pose no threat to it. The feeling of being tricked angered it greatly. All the human heads that made up its body opened their mouths at the same time. To be honest, what before Chen Ge was rather scary. More than ten human heads were twisting inches away from Chen Ge’s own face. Many black threads dangled down from the monster’s body. They wanted to use the threads to pierce through Chen Ge’s body and then bind around Chen Ge like a giant snake.

Just the thought of this image would make one feel uncomfortable. If a man was bound by a giant anaconda, he would at most suffocate to death, but if he was bound by this monster, the human faces on the monster’s body would latch onto his body, and the ghastly mouths would start to gnaw on his flesh and bones.

They cannot be communicated with, and they lack any sense of empathy. There are only sin and destruction in their eyes. Why would such a creature even have the need to exist in this world? What is the purpose of their existence?

Chen Ge looked at the human faces that were almost touching his face. His hand that had been placed inside the backpack finally reached out. In his palm was a red, high-heeled shoe that was covered in fresh blood. He extended the heel before the monster’s face. Before the monster could react, Chen Ge moved his arm and stabbed the sharp end of the heel right into the monster’s face.

This thing is quite sharp.

This was the first time that the human head monster had been attacked by such a weapon. The thin strands of black threads that had come out of its mouths rushed at Chen Ge like a bunch of piranhas who had found their living prey. But just as they were about to reach Chen Ge’s body, the red high heel that was stuck into the monster’s face started to have many strange patterns appear on its surface. Every pattern represented a pleading soul begging for mercy. Upon closer inspection, one would realize that each of the patterns was twisted from living human faces, and they were harboring their deepest curse and darkest despair. The black pattern spread on the human head monster. In less than a second, it had enveloped and captured the giant monster like a web.

It does not appear that a Specter can directly consume the monsters from the fog. It is more difficult than usual for them to even kill them.

The red high heels had not fully eliminated the restriction of the rules placed on her by the world behind the door. She could not leave her item of possession and appear in person. Therefore, Chen Ge had to resort to this method to deal with the monster from the black fog. He dared to do this because when his palm first touched the red high heels, the shoes’ blood vessels and curses voluntarily entered his body to help him search for the reason behind his continuous weakening of strength.

At the time, he knew that even though the red high heels still was not able to leave the item of her possession, she could use part of her ability already. The human head monster was twisting like a giant centipede on the ground of the living room. Looking at the torture it was in, Chen Ge took out the other red high heel from his backpack and stuck the heel steadily and firmly into the monster's neck.

Even though the red high heels could only use part of her power, but she is the presence among my employees that is closest to becoming a Top Red Specter. How come she has such difficulty killing a mere human head monster? It's taking her so long to deal with just one of them.

Chen Ge did not mean that as an underestimation of the red high heels' power. He merely thought that the monsters from the black fog were surprisingly resilient and hard to deal with. After all, the human head monster could only be considered a more normal monster among the ranks of the creatures in the black fog. He had seen much bigger shadows moving through the fog earlier.

The black patterns that covered the human head monster's body gradually tightened and closed upon itself. It took a full ten minutes before the human head monster was killed. Its body crumbled. Many onyx-colored threads came out from its broken head and morphed into black smoke. They returned to become a part of the black fog again.

Picking up the red high heels, Chen Ge studied the patterns on the surface that were getting clearer. He knew that the red high heels were about to break through the barrier soon.

After the body of the human head monster collapsed, the black fog in the room turned thicker. If anything, it gave off the feeling that it had not died but merely changed into a different form to continue its life. Using his Yin Yang Vision, Chen Ge found some black bits where the human head monster's body used to be. They looked like ash that would be left behind after some banknotes were burnt.

"What are these?" Chen Ge found a thermos in one of the rooms and filled the black bits inside it. He had no idea what these things would be good for. He planned to bring them back with him to study. Perhaps he would be able to find out more secrets about the black fog from them.

Moving his body, Chen Ge noticed that even though his limbs were incredibly cold and his body temperature was low, the fatigue that rose from the bottom of his soul had decreased significantly.

After the invisible child took Wen Qing away, my physical energy gradually returned. Looks like the weakening of my body has something to do with him after all.

Chen Ge's eyes were calm. When he entered the world of the other children, none of the children were willing to help the ghost fetus. They were hostile toward the ghost fetus, and in the end, they would end up becoming an aid to Chen Ge.

It was completely different in the world behind Xiang Nuan's door. Ever since he entered the door, Xiang Nuan appeared to have sided with the ghost fetus from the very beginning. In the real world, Xiang Nuan was a child who refused to communicate with the world. No one knew what the real Xiang Nuan was like. Even his own mother did not know him well enough.

Before any of my employees woke up, I was following Wen Qing because Wen Qing is being protected by the ghost fetus. Through her, I got some protection and evaded some of the danger that would have

come my way. But now that my employees are almost waking up, there is no reason for me to stick with them.

Chen Ge, without the aid of his employees, was not much stronger than a normal human being, but once he gained the aid of his workers, the situation would be completely different.

The workers' power is my power. I am still the same self, but the power that I possess will keep on increasing. That should be my only advantage.

The power at the haunted house kept improving, but the corruption of power never went to his head. Chen Ge kept his sanity intact, and his soul was shining with the brilliance of humanity. That was what separated him from his adversaries.

The cursed hospital was much stronger than him, but to achieve their own goal, their humanity had been completely twisted. Their patients had almost become synonymous with the term 'monster'.

Doctor Gao was smarter than Chen Ge, and he had seen the maximum potential of humanity a long time ago. To achieve his own goal, from when he was still alive to until he died, not only had he abandoned his own humanity, he had even given up on the right of being a human.

Chen Ge's power was gradually increasing, but the path that he had taken was completely different from everyone else. The road that he had chosen was very dangerous. He had practically handed his life over to the Specters. Just how much confidence in his workers did he need to be able to make a choice such as this? He tried to shove the red high heels into his pocket, but he tried for a long time and failed to do so because the pocket was too small for the heels. In the end, he had no choice but to place the red high heels back into his backpack.

The Doctor Skull Cracker's Hammer is just a disguise. The real damaging weapon is the red high heels. I doubt anyone would expect me to wield a pair of woman's heels as my actual weapon.

Dragging the hammer along, Chen Ge took another brief rest in the room. It was not until the building was slammed into again and the quiver became more intense that he decided to leave.

The cursed hospital obviously came prepared. In fact, I bet that they made better preparations than me. This will be a horrible tragedy for the ghost fetus.

The hospital had a clear goal from the very beginning. At Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, when they discovered Chen Ge stirring the pot, they left without hesitation to avoid having a direct conflict with Chen Ge. Between the ghost fetus and Chen Ge, they had chosen to deal with the ghost fetus. Apparently, that was because they had been preparing for this day for a very long time.

Chen Ge's physical energy was slowly recovering, and the color of blood on the comic was deepening. When he played the recorder, he could hear a slight static sound. The employees were waking up one after another. The good news was flowing in. Chen Ge's expression was slowly returning to normal.

Zhang Ya is a Demon God. The cursed hospital probably has a Demon God or at least something close to the power of a Demon God among them. The ghost fetus wanted to suppress both of them with the rules of the world behind its own door, but that's very difficult. He cannot keep this up for much longer.

With the protection from the red high heels, Chen Ge was no longer that afraid of the black fog. He slowly moved down the stairs, listening to the sounds that came from outside the building.

Fight to your heart's content. We will see who will stand to have the last laugh.

He followed the stairs and finally arrived at the first floor. Before Chen Ge left Jiu Hong Apartments Block 2, he turned back to take in the sight. This building was originally hiding the rag doll's head. Every door behind this building was filled with the ghost fetus' memories. Even though it had turned into a monster, it had not forgotten its past. Every time he pushed open a door, he would be greeted by a former version of the ghost fetus.

Even the ghost fetus has held on so strongly to its past, but why would I have forgotten about such important things from my childhood? Is it because someone does not want me to remember anything from that period?

Standing at the entrance, Chen Ge did not hurry to leave. The world outside the building had completely changed. Black fog shrouded everything, but there were bursts of red amid the fog. The whole world behind the door was like an abstract painting of a nightmare. The black and red were mixed together, twisting every 'person' that resided behind the door.

Before this world goes fully out of control, the ghost fetus will definitely send Wen Qing to a secure location. After Wen Qing's safety is ensured, the biggest possibility is that he will come back to find me.

Chen Ge stood in the ghost fetus' shoes and tried to analyze the situation.

Now is the most crucial moment for its birth. No matter how loud the interruption, he will focus on the rebirth as his most important goal.

Until now Chen Ge had no idea what form of rebirth the ghost fetus would make, but he had a feeling that the ghost fetus would return to find him because his own body was the best choice for the ghost fetus.

I do not need to have a direct conflict with the ghost fetus. I should try to buy as much time as I can.

For Chen Ge, the interior of the apartment buildings that were the territory of the ghost fetus was no safer than the black fog. His employees were slowly awakening, and the red high heels could already use part of her power. He had enough to ensure his own safety. He could hide safely inside the black fog that was beyond the ghost fetus' control until all his employees broke through the limitation of this world.

If the child did not choose to rescue Wen Qing, it would most likely have taken over a large portion of my body by now.

There were some truths in the world that could not be refused. One of them was that the child cared deeply about Wen Qing. Based on what Wen Qing had told Chen Ge, Xiang Nuan had never uttered a full sentence to her before. He had not even called her mom once. But from the child's various actions when they were stuck behind the door, Wen Qing occupied a position in his heart that could not be replaced by anyone else.

Walking alone in the black fog, Chen Ge carried the backpack, dragging with hammer with one hand and carrying the red high heels with another as he silently worked his way to the small garden at the residential area. Finding a hiding space, Chen Ge looked around him. The place looked like a scene from an apocalypse.

The buildings were teetering, and giant shadows crawled on the surface of the buildings. The ground was shaking, and the world mixed with red and black had echoes of screams coming from everywhere. Chen Ge was completely enraptured by his surroundings when he felt a pinprick of pain from his palm. He turned to look, and he saw the red high heels bleeding.

“Someone is coming?” Chen Ge seemed to feel something. He whipped his body around, and his eyes zeroed in on a point. There was a child standing behind him. He was standing right on top of his shadow like he was used to that position.

“Found you.”

The boy had his head lowered, so his face was shaded from view, but from the voice and the tone, it sounded very similar to Xiang Nuan. Chen Ge took one involuntarily step back. As he did so, the boy took one step forward.

The distance between them remained unchanged like a man and his shadow. No matter how he tried, the man was unable to shake his shadow off. Seeing that this was unavoidable, Chen Ge stopped wasting time. His eyes were calm as if he knew that this would eventually happen sooner or later. But the expression on his face was rather complicated. “It was you who voluntarily escaped, so why did you come back to find me?”

The boy did not speak. He kept his head lowered as if staring right into Chen Ge’s shadow.

“Get out of my way. From the moment you escaped, there was no connection binding us together.”

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The boy stood on top of Chen Ge’s shadow. No matter where Chen Ge moved, he would follow, just like his shadow. With his head lowered, the boy kept his eyes on Chen Ge’s shadow. After the ‘found you’, he had not opened his lips to say anything else.

The endless black fog was like a sea of despair; the broken building in the memory became a lonely island in the ghost fetus’ heart. He stood before the twisting buildings, under the black and red sky, inside Chen Ge’s shadow, and following quietly behind him. That was how things were many years ago. He saw how Chen Ge had everything, everything that he wished to possess for himself. He wanted to be a butterfly, but ultimately, he was just a shadow. The desire was slowly twisted. He did not stay there and wait, slowly waving his hands and trying his best to chase after the butterfly that was fluttering in his heart instead.

He had no idea why he would do something like that. He did not even know what would happen the day he caught up to the butterfly, but he knew to keep on running after it. Finally, at this moment, ten years later, inside the door, he had caught that butterfly.

The lowered head slowly rose, and the boy looked up at Chen Ge. Their eyes met in the nightmare, and it felt like they had crossed the limitation of time. Chen Ge saw himself from ten years ago, and the

ghost fetus saw a demon that he could no longer recognize. In this world filled with despair and pain, only one's heart would be the receptacle for light. But if one's heart was devoid of light, everything that one saw would be ghosts and Specters.

"Did you leave at this age?" Chen Ge had seen part of the ghost fetus' memories in Fang Yu's world, but the boy before him was completely different from the ghost fetus in Fang Yu's world. In the worlds behind the doors of the other candidates, the ghost fetus appeared in the form of a baby, but the boy before him had the same face as the childhood Chen Ge. The facial features were rather undefined, but one could tell that this was Chen Ge.

"You..." Chen Ge had many things that he wanted to say, questions he wanted to ask. He had imagined this encounter with the ghost fetus many times in his mind and rehearsed many different statements, but when he was really standing before the child, the things that he had prepared were stuck in his throat.

A monster that had ruined multiple families; a monster without humanity; a soul twisted and cruel like the demon; a child who was abandoned, tricked, harmed, and made insane.

Chen Ge did not know how to judge the ghost fetus. He would not pity him, he would not help him, but he merely did not wish to lie to the ghost fetus anymore. Even if one of them would die the next second, he would not deal with the ghost fetus like he would other enemies, using many things to deceit and trick him. The ghost fetus gave Chen Ge a strange feeling, like he was looking at mirror, but the reflection inside the mirror was trying to come up with ways to kill him.

"Do not stand on my shadow anymore. That is no longer a spot reserved for you."

No matter what Chen Ge said, the ghost fetus showed no sign of speaking. He kept staring at Chen Ge's face, the picture of a ghastly demon reflecting in his pupils. His body leaned slowly forward, giving the impression of one's shadow standing up and trying to crawl into Chen Ge's body. Just as the ghost fetus was about to touch Chen Ge, a wall of blood vessels blocked his way. A heavy stench of blood radiated out from Chen Ge's body.

Drip drop, drip drop...

The blood dripped. The ghost fetus moved his gaze away from Chen Ge's face and turned to look at the red high heels in his hands. He slowly raised his arm, and the ghost fetus' fingertip touched the layer of blood vessels. His expression did not change. It was like a child reaching out to touch a spiderweb out of curiosity. The blood vessels were snapped one after another, but at that moment, a giant explosion sounded from one of the buildings!

Jin Hwa Apartments Block B started to bend. A large shadow was pressing against the side of it. Who knew what kind of monster it was? After the explosion, the ghost fetus had obviously slowed down. The few buildings appeared to be the foundation of this world and they influenced the ghost fetus' condition greatly.

"You voluntarily left me, and I have not tried to harm you. It was the cursed hospital that put you in this state. I have seen your memories. You should hate them the most. They are right there now. Are you sure you still want to waste time with me?"

Chen Ge could see that the ghost fetus needed his body, so the child did not go for the jugular. As one of the nine children, the ghost fetus could not kill Chen Ge that easily. This, he had discerned from the way he treated the other candidates.

As long as the child had some power taken away by the ghost fetus, even though they would be seriously injured in terms of soul and mind, their lives had never been threatened. It appeared like the ghost fetus needed to fulfil certain criteria to obtain a candidate's power. Only that would explain why the ghost fetus did not kill Chen Ge directly after he entered his body but chose to slowly take over his body from the shadow.

“You do not have a chance now.”

After that last explosion, the surface of the other buildings started to crack as well. The chains that bound this world had loosened. The ground shook, and the buildings teetered, but the ghost fetus only had his eyes on Chen Ge. His hand was reaching through the layers of blood vessels. No one knew why he was doing this. He appeared to not only want to take control of Chen Ge's body but also appeared to grab the version of himself that he had been wishing for.

As the ghost fetus' hand slowly approached, the smell of blood around Chen Ge intensified. Just as the ghost fetus' hand was about to touch Chen Ge's eyes, a slender hand wrapped in bandages appeared to grab the ghost fetus' wrist. A bright shade of red appeared in the thick black fog!

The red high heels had broken through the world's limitation!

Her appearance had shifted slightly from before. Part of the bandages had slid off her body, and the exposed skin was branded with dark black tattoo-like patterns. The patterns were mysterious, eerie, and scary. Just being in close distance of them would make one feel suffocated.

The ghost fetus paused but just for a moment. His sharp nails soon continued to reach toward Chen Ge. The sound of a book flipping entered both Chen Ge and the ghost fetus' ears. Before they could react, a blood wave rushed out from Chen Ge's backpack and knocked back the black fog around them. A blood mist had settled.

Pairs of arms reached out from the mist, and they grabbed at the ghost fetus from different angles. The sharp nails stopped before Chen Ge's eyes, but they were unable to move one inch further.

“I know you are using the greater part of your power to deal with the hospital and the monsters in the black fog. You believe that I am the weakest, or perhaps you think I was just lucky to have survived so far.”

Chen Ge took another step backward. The ghost fetus' body was held in place by the gauntlet of hands and was thus unable to follow Chen Ge anymore.

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Even though he was held down by multiple hands, the ghost fetus still wanted to get close to Chen Ge. The expression on his face slowly changed. Cracks started appearing in his pupils, which looked perfectly normal. Black threads that carried misfortune leaked out of the boy's eyes like tears. They squirmed their way toward the hands that held him back. Chen Ge's employees had blocked the ghost fetus' path,

but the latter did not really stop to try to understand why. His shattered pupils remained still on Chen Ge, and he was ready to kill every human and every Specter who dared stand in his way.

The cursed threads wanted to crawl into the employees' bodies, but when they approached the employees, they were bounced back by an invisible force. The curse was unable to take effect. The ghost fetus once again turned to look at the red high heels that were covered in bandages. He sensed a curse of the same origin from the red high heels. The reason the ghost fetus had this kind of feeling was not only because the red high heels had consumed the curse that the ghost fetus had left behind the other doors. It appeared like the reason the red high heels was in her current state had everything to do with that cursed hospital.

The essence of the curse was pain. Using it meant paying a sacrifice. The cause was linked to the consequence. Whenever the curse was used, both parties would be seriously affected by it. The ghost fetus carried multiple sins, but the sacrifice that he had given up for the usage of the curse was perhaps his whole life that had been twisted by despair. But the boy was on a path of no return. Even if he knew that he would sink deeper into the abyss of despair, he would still continue to spread the curse.

Chen Ge still did not know that much about the red high heels' past, but there was one thing that he was very clear about. The 'people' who were familiar with curses were normally accompanied by misfortune. If possible, Chen Ge did not wish for the red high heels to continue using her power anymore. The fight between two Specters who were armed with curses was something extremely scary. The way that they decided who would survive was different from a fight between normal Red Specters.

The fight appeared calm and uneventful on the surface, but the actual battle was happening at places that he would not be able to see. Every single one of the black threads that came out from their bodies carried the most vicious and venomous of curses. Once the thread crawled into one's body, if one did not clear them away in time, the consequences would be unfathomably bad.

Chen Ge also knew about the danger of the curse. Compared to the ghost fetus, he was more worried about his employees' safety. "Work together! Take him down together! Do not hesitate! We must try to kill him now while we still have the chance!"

Determined and direct, there was no compromise and pity in the world behind the door. In this place, it was either the ghost fetus' demise or theirs. Any kindness toward the enemy would be cruelty toward himself.

Hearing Chen Ge's order, the red high heels blocked all the curses. The other few Red Specters held the ghost fetus' body in place, and they prepared for Xiao Bu to deliver the final blow. The employees appeared to have communicated among themselves when they were inside the comic. The Red Specters were very familiar with each other's abilities. They knew that Xiao Bu, who appeared the softest and weakest, was actually the most dangerous Red Specter among all of them.

The red wave washed away the blood fog. Xiao Bu used her own special power for the first time before Chen Ge. The red dress that she was wearing melted together with the blood wave that splashed around her. The gray and black ground was dyed red. Buildings that were constructed fully out of blood vessels crawled up from the ground like giant arms that tried to reach toward the sky.

Li Wan City!

Xiao Bu appeared to be stepping on the entire Li Wan City, and the city forced itself through the black fog, tearing out a piece of red amid the world of blackness. The harrowing wails of endless souls rushed out from the blood wave and bit at the ghost fetus, who was unable to move. Even the buildings started to collapse on top of the ghost fetus' body. The blood vessels pulled taut on the ghost fetus' skin. Xiao Bu intended to use the whole Li Wan City to bury him alive.

The other employees at the haunted house worked flawlessly together. They each found a spot that was left untouched by the crumbling buildings and started to focus their individual attacks. The ghost fetus' body instantly turned dim and twisted. Scars appeared. Before the previous one could heal, more and more scars appeared on the scabs. The cracks in the ghost fetus' eyes had spread to his entire body. He knew that there were many ghosts and Specters hiding inside Chen Ge, but he did not expect them to be so powerful.

The pupils that were about to shatter looked directly at Chen Ge through the endless crowd of baleful Specters and Red Specters. The ghost fetus' expression still had not changed much. His body was slowly being ground down until he was buried under the Li Wan City that was beneath Xiao Bu's feet.

"Is it all over now? Has the boy been torn beyond repair?" The boy who stood on Chen Ge's shadow earlier had completely disappeared, but Chen Ge felt no joy at all. The ghost fetus' reaction was too out of place. He did not put up much resistance. In fact, it could be said that he was taking all the damage head on. "Something's not right."

The red Li Wan City under Xiao Bu's feet was a heavy contrast to the black fog that surrounded them. The strange shadows among the black fog were soon attracted by the red and started to head their way.

"Xiao Bu!" Chen Ge had Xiao Bu pull back the blood wave. As the blood disappeared, the monsters inside the black fog also gradually lost interest. When the red completely disappeared, Chen Ge saw a small shadow walk out from one of the buildings that was not far away. His brows started to crease. The shadow was wavering in the blackness of the fog. The distance between him and Chen Ge was slowly closing. Even with the aid of his Yin Yang Vision, Chen Ge could not capture his real appearance.

Several seconds later, endless blood vessels suddenly enveloped Chen Ge. His employees were all ready for a big battle. They stared behind Chen Ge. Chen Ge had already sensed that something like this would happen. He turned back to look, and the boy who looked just like him when he was younger had reappeared, and he was standing atop his shadow just like before.

"Another one? Can he not be killed?" Chen Ge appeared to see the young version of himself in the ghost fetus. He saw the child who could not be killed no matter what. "No, these boys are probably not the ghost fetus' real persona. It is not that he cannot be killed; it is just that I have not found the real him."

The boy behind Chen Ge wanted to grab him. His shattered pupils kept staring at Chen Ge's face. The fact that he had been killed earlier did not seem to have left any impression on the body. What happened earlier repeated itself. The ghost fetus was stopped by the employees so that he was unable to get close to Chen Ge. Chen Ge did not dare stay too far away from his employees, and thus, they entered into a stalemate.

"It is not untrue that the ghost fetus wants to take over my physical body, but I have a feeling there is a bigger conspiracy at work here. He seems to be purposely buying time. The ghost fetus did say that the

ghost fetus will be born tonight, but it did not specify how it would be born. Now I only know that his birth will definitely be related to me, and if I do not stop him, I will be one hundred percent dead.”

The threat of certain death made it so that Chen Ge had to be extra careful. Even if his employees had broken through the barrier of the world behind the door, he had to be careful at every single moment. This door was different from every other door that he had entered before. All his experience from the other doors would not prove much use to him there.

“Looks like I will have to go and find the cursed hospital and see how they are doing at the moment.”

Chen Ge chose to voluntarily interact with the cursed hospital, but he would definitely keep a safe distance away from them. After all, they both knew that neither party could wait for the other to die.

“After killing this ghost fetus, other children might come out from the other buildings. I might as well bring him with me to find the people from the cursed hospital.” Chen Ge’s original plan was to reap the rewards while the ghost fetus fought with the people from the cursed hospital, but with the ghost fetus tailing him so closely, he was not given the chance to do that at all. “If you wish to follow, then so be it. Come along now.”

The boy wanted to get close to Chen Ge, but he was stopped every time by Chen Ge’s employees. They put their lives on the line to keep the ghost fetus at bay. The conflict between the black curse and the red blood caused quite a stir. It had attracted the attention of some of the monsters inside the black fog. Perhaps this was one of the ghost fetus’ plans. He wanted to make use of Chen Ge to distract part of the pressure that came from the black fog and use Chen Ge to help him clear away some of the monsters inside the black fog.

To prevent that from happening, Chen Ge had his employees limit the range of their fight. He wanted them to keep the fight as contained as possible. Chen Ge’s side had become completely hostile toward the ghost fetus. The ghost fetus was familiar with the abilities of Chen Ge’s employees, and Chen Ge also realized how unoptimistic the ghost fetus’ current situation was. Before his birth, he did not have the power to handle the whole situation.

The world behind the door had sunk into complete chaos. The numerable large shadows in the black fog were attacking the bigger buildings. All the buildings inside the residential area were seriously shattered. Among them, the most damaged one was Jin Hwa Apartments Block B. Most of the sound came from there as well. It should mean that the people from the cursed hospital were around that building. With his employees leading the way, the black fog was unable to get close to Chen Ge. He was protected in the middle of a veil of red mist. He studied the monsters that flickered in and out of the shadows through the fog.

As intense as this moment was, Chen Ge had a feeling that he was taking a stroll through the zoo. The monsters from the black fog were completely different from the monsters that resided in the red world. They looked scarier and more absurd. A normal person probably would not have dreamed about them even in their strangest nightmare.

“If the ghost fetus was not following me, I would have been able to catch some monsters to conduct some experiments. But it does not matter. Even if I cannot bring these monsters out with him, I have now gained some understanding of their features and personalities. In the future, perhaps I can build

them with my own two hands. A manmade nightmare might not be less authentic than a real nightmare.”

After the employees showed up, Chen Ge’s nerves that had been pulled taut relaxed slightly. He turned back to look at the ghost fetus. The boy was like a shadow. He had been following Chen Ge, like a stubborn fly that refused to be chased away.

As Chen Ge moved toward Jin Hwa Apartments Block B, the ghost fetus did try to resist violently a few times, but he was brought down by the employees every time. He failed to harm Chen Ge, but that did help Chen Ge confirm his suspicion. The ghost fetus did not wish for Chen Ge to go there. Perhaps he was worried that Chen Ge might work together with the people from the cursed hospital. The sound of fighting became clearer in his ears. The color of blood also became more obvious in the black fog. When Chen Ge arrived, he too was shocked by the scene that he was greeted with.

There was a man who had no face that stood at the entrance to Jin Hwa Apartment’s Block B. His whole face only had a ghastly scar that cut through it vertically, giving it the look of the number ‘1’. He was wearing a coat that looked like a doctor’s coat. It was not a normal doctor’s coat, however, because not only was it dyed completely red, the coat was also sewn together by many human faces. Upon closer inspection, each of the human faces was still moving and talking.

What is that thing? It does not appear to be a Specter, but nor does it look like a living human.

Chen Ge realized that the presence given off by the man was completely different from a normal Red Specter. It was very hard to describe, but there was one thing that was certain. The presence was extremely powerful. Even Xiao Bu and the red high heels did not wish to get too close to him if necessary. The man with the doctor’s coat also noticed Chen Ge’s arrival. He turned his body. The slanted scar on his face somehow felt like it was ‘looking’ at Chen Ge as more blood gushed out from it.

“Chen... Ge!” A voice instantly exploded in Chen Ge’s mind. He took several steps back. It was not until he realized that the ghost fetus was just right behind him that Chen Ge quickly stopped himself. At that moment, Chen Ge’s heart was rolling with giant waves. He did not expect the monster that he had not encountered before to be able to say his name so clearly the first time they met.

Is this monster the doctor that once treated me?

The scenario of the nightmare mission at Jiang Yuan Apartments entered his mind. The voice in Chen Ge’s memory was different from this monster’s voice. There was nothing similar about them at all.

Other than the doctor that first treated me, are there other doctors that are familiar with me from the cursed hospital?

The man was able to call him out by his name at first glance, and there was an almost sadistic and twisted hatred in the voice. This proved that their relationship did not stop at a surface level of recognition. They were definitely more than mere acquaintances. Perhaps the doctor that was missing his face turned into his current state because of Chen Ge or something to do with Chen Ge.

How come it feels like no one wants to see me at all? Everyone has some reason to hate me, even though I have done technically nothing!

Although Chen Ge did not plan to work with the people from the cursed hospital to begin with, the attitude of this strange doctor only confirmed his decision further. If not for the heavy pressure given by the ghost fetus, perhaps the two of them would have been locked in a deathmatch already.

The faceless doctor had probably broken through the barrier of the world behind the door earlier than the red high heels, but he was not in a good condition. His body was pierced through by many threads of thin black lines. With every movement of his body, black blood would squirt out from the holes. The long and slow torture caused the scar on his face to contort in a horrible grimace. Every face on his coat was screaming. Some of them were in extreme pain, and others were biting on the doctor's physical body.

The doctor can't be a living human, can he?

The more Chen Ge looked at this, the more horrified he felt. With his Yin Yang Vision, he could still differentiate between a Specter and a living person. The monster doctor before him was a creature of flesh and doctor. His physical feature was also similar to a normal person.

Is the thing that is giving off the horrible presence not the man But his coat?

A Red Specter was called a Red Specter because they were surrounded by an air of resentment. Hatred and despair morphed into soluble blood that made up their bodies. But the Red Specter on the faceless doctor was different from any of the Red Specters that Chen Ge had encountered. Even though it was red, it was made up from many different human faces. It was incredibly scary. Its strange appearance did remind Chen Ge of how Zhang Ya looked like when she morphed into a Demon God. When he was at the School of the Afterlife, many ghost shadows appeared on Zhang Ya's bloody dress. They were all the Red Specters that she had consumed before.

Could the faceless doctor be an object of possession? The real final trump card that the cursed hospital has is the 'Demon God' that is actually hiding inside the red doctor's coat that's made up of human faces?

When a normal person saw the faceless doctor, they would be scared witless by his appearance. They would spend time further contemplating the existence of this thing.

But Chen Ge was different. He had literally spent his every living moment with Zhang Ya, so he knew some secrets about Demon Gods and Top Red Specters.

When the faceless doctor dies, it is probably the moment the Demon God on him will appear.

Currently, the faceless doctor was punctured by many cursed threads, and the human faces on the coat were consuming his flesh, but the man appeared like he could still hold on for quite some time. The monster appeared to experience this kind of pain and torture often. His pain threshold and curse resistance were extremely high.

It is hard to imagine that such a monster who literally has his face wiped away is still a living person. The voice that filled up my brain earlier was filled with resentment. Could it be because I am somehow related to the reason he is in his current state? Perhaps this doctor encountered me in Jiujiang a long time ago, but he failed to complete that mission that was bequeathed upon to him by the cursed hospital, and he was given some sort of punishment because of it.

Chen Ge had no impression of these things at all. To be fair, he was feeling quite out of sorts about the whole arrangement as well.

The younger version of myself could not be killed no matter what, but if no one had tried to kill, how did they even find out that version of myself is unkillable? They must have attempted many different methods to kill me. To be able to be heartless enough to do that to a child, these people can barely be called human.

A loud noise came out from the interior of Jin Hwa Apartments' Block B. While the faceless doctor was distracted by Chen Ge, the few faces on his coat that were closer to his chest were instantly torn apart by some kind of force. The scream of pain echoed in the black fog. It was also then that Chen Ge discovered there was another monster residing at Jin Hwa Apartments Block B.

It was a rag doll with only four limbs and one head. Its legs were stuffed with trash and bones, its arms were both filled with the dried bodies of small birds, and the head was fitted with cotton that was dyed red with blood and blackened meat. It had two eyes. One of them was a black button that was sewn onto the face, and the other was an eyeball that was bloodshot. The rag doll appeared to have not found its body yet. Numerous cursed threads bound its four limbs and head together. The monster guarded the entrance to Jin Hwa Apartments Block B. What the rag doll and the faceless doctor were fighting over was the specimen of a heart that was punctured with nails.

The way the people from the cursed hospital treated the candidates chosen by the ghost fetus was different from Chen Ge. They had murdered Nie Xin in cold blood and taken the ghost fetus' power that was related to its 'heart' for themselves. Unfortunately, they had brought that same power into this door, so the ghost fetus was coming back to claim its power for itself. When ghost on the faceless doctor was still limited by the rules of the world behind the door, the ghost fetus had probably stolen the heart. The thing that appeared to be a Demon God on the doctor had exhausted plenty of energy to stop it, but it had still failed to stop the ghost fetus. It only managed to keep the faceless doctor barely alive.

When the limitation was broken, the faceless doctor and the Demon God on him started to actively search for the ghost fetus. They knew that this moment before the ghost fetus' birth was the period when he was the weakest. The cursed hospital had probably known of the ghost fetus' plan all along. They had not done anything because they wished to use the least amount of effort to kill the ghost fetus or recapture the ghost fetus.

Both parties knew of each other's bottom line. The battle between them might appear to be horrid and ghastly, but Chen Ge had a feeling both parties still had some reservations. They had not given it their all yet.

The ghost fetus is a Demon God, but he only sent out a broken rag doll in his place for now. The human face coat is probably a Demon God as well, but the thing is hidden even deeper than the ghost fetus. Lastly, there's Zhang Ya...

Chen Ge turned back to look. The boy was standing on his shadow, but Zhang Ya gave no reaction. This was completely unlike the Zhang Ya that Chen Ge knew.

“It appears like all three Demon Gods are waiting for something...” He was lost in thought when the ground started to shake. All the buildings behind the door started to tremble, and the black fog around them had thickened least ten times over!

“What’s happening?” Chen Ge tilted his face upward to look, and his mouth fell open from surprise. Within the black fog that enveloped everything like a black sea, there was a shadow appearing that was larger than both Jin Hwa Apartments and Jiu Hong Apartments combined!

The suffocating presence made itself known immediately. Everyone present could feel the danger that it represented.

The faceless doctor and the broken rag doll stopped fighting. Even the boy who had been following behind Chen Ge also lifted his head. At that moment, every person and ghost was looking up at the black sky.

No one was speaking. It was not until the giant black shadow was about to press against the tallest building at Jin Hwa Apartments that the boy behind Chen Ge finally had a change to his expression. He started to smile.

“The past has finally arrived.”

Chapter 1104 She Is Stepping on a Blood Red City 2 in 1

Ever since the black shadow showed up, the ghost fetus’ expression had been different. This was the first time he had shown a smile on his face. The corners of his lips were turned up as he looked at the monster that covered up the sky, looking like a child who was waiting for praise from his parents.

“The past? The monster’s name is the Past?” Even though Chen Ge had been paying close attention to the ghost fetus, but the current situation had gotten fully out of his control. All the plans and tricks appeared so harmless and pointless before the ten years of preparation that had gone into the Demon God’s set up. The giant shadow in the sky suppressed all the buildings behind the door. The ground started to crack, and the floor was sinking downward. The other monsters that hid in the shadow dispersed to save themselves. Echoes of harrowing screams filled the air.

The giant body hidden in the black fog continued to press down until Chen Ge finally saw it for what it really was. This monster by the name of the Past had a horrifying appearance. It was like a cicada that was about to crawl out from its giant shell. Its body was made up from shredded flesh. It contained various human body parts as well as innumerable abandoned and forgotten memories. The ginormous upper body leaned steadily on the top of the two main buildings from Jin Hwa Apartments. Behind its body, it was dragging a shell that was even larger than all of Jin Hwa Apartments combined.

The monster appeared to be trying to crawl out from its shell, but how could the Past abandon its shell so easily?

Its body was running with black-colored blood. The wounds were like gaping maws, and every monster that was unlucky enough to get too close would be torn open by the mouths and then consumed by them. With each consumption of the monster, its body would grow slightly bigger. It appeared that the monster wanted to use this method to grow big enough to break its shell from the inside, but the shell

had joined to its flesh. It had already become part of its body. No matter what it did, it was unable to shake off that heavy and restrictive shell.

Sinking in the past and unable to move forward, every person and every memory that constructed its body was continuously torturing itself. In the end, it was this curious combination that created this strange amalgamation of a monster. The shell of the past grew into the flesh, but the surface still maintained the shape of a human. But with a slight movement, the shell would cut the body, and the wounds would bleed out black blood. The giant monster had overshadowed all the buildings. It had no actual facial features to speak of, but there was a child situated at the middle of its head. The child's body was bitten by multiple human faces and held in place by many arms. He was deep inside the monster's head. He had a face that looked identical to Xiang Nuan's.

"Xiang Nuan!" A heart-wrenching scream came out of Jin Hwa Apartment's Block A. Wen Qing's shout shattered the stunned silence of the night. Everyone present heard her cry and scream, but no one dared respond. The heart-breaking voice was a great contrast to this world that fed on cruelty; it was clear that she did not belong to this place.

After the boy who stood behind Chen Ge heard Wen Qing's voice, the smile on his face disappeared. A trace of emotion that should not have been present crossed his eyes, but he soon returned to normal. When everyone was on high alert, the boy suddenly reached out and rushed toward Chen Ge without warning. His eyes tore open, and black blood leaked out from all of the boy's orifices. His body suddenly picked up speed. The speed was at least ten times faster than before. Instantly, he broke through Chen Ge's employees' shield. It appeared like he would do anything to grab hold of Chen Ge!

The boy's hands touched the blood vessels left behind by the employees. This time, his hand easily passed through the layers of them. The face locked in an ugly grimace rammed past Xiao Bu and the red high heels. He had paid everything just to touch Chen Ge!

His body was shredded by the sharp blood vessels. His face was torn open, and black blood dropped to the ground, but one of his arm successfully breached through the employees' defense and reached Chen Ge's face. The fingers that were covered in black blood started to break out in wounds. The maggot-like curses crawled out of the wounds and slithered toward Chen Ge's eyes. They wanted to crawl into his eyes.

"The former me! Look closely! This will be your future body!" the boy shouted loudly at the monster in the sky. Xiang Nuan, who was encased deep in the monster's head, appeared to have a focus in his eyes, which were previously soulless, after he heard the boy's voice. In the dark pupils, the curse threads wiggled like worms. Xiang Nuan turned to look at where Chen Ge was standing. At the same time, the whole upper body of the giant monster moved as if the monster had set its target on Chen Ge as well.

Exhausting everything, the boy's finger that was coated in black blood finally managed to touch Chen Ge. Just as the sticky liquid was about to make contact with Chen Ge's eyelash, an extremely overpowering presence swept all over Jin Hwa residential area like a lashing whirlwind!

The calm shadow started to boil, and gray soil bubbled with blood. The black fog around Chen Ge was dispersed as if a Demon God had opened her eyes!

Not only the monster in the sky, even Chen Ge himself was surprised. Everything had happened too suddenly.

“Zhang Ya?” Turning back, Chen Ge looked at his own shadow. In that bottomless darkness, it appeared to be someone looking gently and softly at him. This was a gaze that had not been felt by Chen Ge before. It was unclear whether it was because Zhang Ya had gained access to a wider range of emotions after she became a Demon God or this was the aftereffect of the memory that Chen Ge had experienced with her in Yu Jian’s world.

When Chen Ge was focusing on his own shadow, the faceless doctor who was not far away gave out a startling scream. The development there was completely different from what was happening to Chen Ge. The coat that he was wearing appeared to come to life and wrapped tightly around him. The human faces started to tear into the faceless doctor’s body like it was a free-for-all feast until all traces of life had dissipated from the doctor’s physical body. His whole body was covered in blood, and the coat that was made of human faces became his new layer of skin.

Different wounds started to surface on the face that did not have any facial features. The presence that radiated off the faceless doctor was now completely different from before. Currently, all the monsters at the residential area were attracted by Zhang Ya and Chen Ge. The faceless doctor made use of this opportunity to make his move. After he showed up, he made the determination to go after the ghost fetus’ heart. The heart specimen that was stuck with nails appeared to be something very important. The Demon God on the faceless doctor had decided to show himself just to take it back as soon as possible. The faceless doctor finally did not hold back. Every face on his body gave off the presence of a Red Specter. With their combined effect, he pushed through the black fog easily.

The broken rag doll was about to regain its heart, so naturally, it would not allow the faceless doctor to do what he wanted, but it was too weak to stop the faceless doctor. They were now on completely different power levels!

Seeing as the nailed heart was about to be taken away, the rag doll suddenly had a smile appear on its face. It tore off its left arm voluntarily. This appeared to be some kind of signal. After the left arm was torn off, this world behind the door started to crumble. The buildings teetered, and the ground shook. In the space between Jiu Hong Apartments and Jin Hwa Apartments, a body that was stuffed with trash, cotton, toys, and pictures crawled out from the ground. This appeared to be the body that the rag doll was missing!

After the body crawled out, it was as if some kind of barrier had been lowered. The black fog rushed madly into the residential area. The buildings from Jiu Hong Apartments that were situated at the fringe were easily knocked over by this surging wave. The chain effect continued, and the other buildings were shaking precariously. The rag doll’s body appeared to be the foundation of the whole world behind the door. When it had left the ground, it meant that the foundation of this world had been shaken.

Two legs, the head, the body, and the right arm—the rag doll appeared to have returned to its most original form in its memory. It had turned back to the poor child who had just escaped to Jiu Hong Apartments and was desperate to use the trash heap to form its own body. The shadow had lived for a long time inside the rag doll’s body, so the rag doll possessed its most painful and despairing memories

and experiences. In the world behind the door, both despair and pain represented a great store of power.

The presence that surrounded the rag doll was no weaker than the faceless doctor's. It had given up maintaining the stability of this world behind the door. It had taken back most of its body, other than its left arm. The rag doll appeared to purposely place its left arm back into Jin Hwa Apartments Block A. It had abandoned the whole world, but it would do anything to protect that one building.

The button that was sewn on the face was twined together by blood vessels. The eyeball that nobody knew where it came from was showing the extreme evil within humanity. The rag doll had suffered all the pain of the shadow, and it had also inherited the most powerful ability of the shadow—the power to curse.

The faceless doctor obviously knew the rag doll very well. He did not give the rag doll any chance to make a sound. Before the rag doll's body had fully crawled out from the ground, he had already made his move. As the Demon God from the cursed hospital, it was no coincidence that he was familiar with dealing with curses. The black fog was replaced by black threads. All the monsters that were unlucky enough to wander within a hundred meters of their fight would be torn apart for some unknown reason, and each death was more harrowing than the one preceding it. They had such horrible deaths.

The faceless doctor was locked in a match with the rag doll that had lost its left arm. Chen Ge's situation was not looking so good either, but one would not be able to tell that from Chen Ge's expression and mannerisms. As the exterior of the buildings around them started to peel, more and more 'people' started to run out from the buildings. Some of them should be people from Xiang Nuan's memory, while others had the same face. They looked just like younger versions of Chen Ge.

These children were like mud dolls that someone had made when they were bored. All of them possessed a small part of the ghost fetus' memories. Each child carried a different chapter of the ghost fetus' past. The ghost fetus appeared to have been sharing his pain with others, so he had created so many 'Chen Ge's. But at the same time, this also showed just how much he desperately wanted to become Chen Ge. The deeper the resentment, the harder it would be to turn back. The tragedy that happened to the ghost fetus was heavily related to the resentment that he carried with him. Of course, without this resentment, he would not have become a Demon God in the first place.

All the children and the original tenants of this world behind the door charged at Chen Ge. But not only them, even Chen Ge's own employees had difficulty getting close to him at this moment. The children's memories appeared to be connected to the monster that was looming over them. Every single one of them gave everything that they could to try to grab at Chen Ge. They wanted to slather Chen Ge's body with the black blood that leaked out from their bodies. After every single one of them died, they would repeat the same sentence to the giant monster in the sky.

"The former me! Look closely! This will be your future body!"

When the body of the last boy was decimated and morphed into a puddle of blood, the giant monster that loomed over the entire residential area finally decided to make its move. The body that was made up countless memories and torn flesh started to reach downward. An impressive amount of power was pressing down on Chen Ge. It felt like the entire sky was falling, and Chen Ge was Atlas trying to hold it up.

“The ghost fetus is that scary?”

Even though the faceless doctor’s power was not as powerful as Zhang Ya at the School of the Afterlife, he was already way more powerful than a normal Top Red Specter. He was able to wave away the black fog easily with the sweep of his hand, so that proved undeniably that he was a Demon God. However, the rag doll’s broken body was able to stand on the same level as the faceless doctor, which also indirectly proved that the rag doll had reached the level of a Demon God. But the scary thing was that the rag doll was just a part of the ghost fetus’ power. The monster that the ghost fetus called the ‘Past’ was the real trouble here.

The ghost fetus had been preparing for years behind the door. The monster appeared to have been combined with his past, and it was created by forcing it to consume the other monsters inside the black fog. Even though the monster did not seem to possess much sentience, and it lacked its own consciousness. From the absurd sky that literally blocked off the sky, one could tell that this was not an easy enemy to defeat. As powerful as a Red Specter was, they would be unable to deal with ‘the past’.

Standing before the ‘Past’, it appeared like one was facing the whole world. If Chen Ge only had his employees with him at this time, he probably would have chosen to give up. He would have ordered his employees to abandon him and try to find ways to survive and then escape from this world. But the reason he was still standing there was because of the shadow behind him. The ghost fetus was once his shadow, and Zhang Ya was now his shadow. The ghost fetus represented the past while Zhang Ya represented the present and the future.

This showdown had been destined since ten years ago. Only by killing the ‘past’ would one have the chance to chase after the future. If one was unable to walk away from the past, the future would forever be out of grasp. When no one dared approach Chen Ge, that giant shadow covered the entire sky that was above Chen Ge. A giant gap appeared on the face of the ‘Past’, and multiple memories were torn apart. The ‘Past’ wanted to consume Chen Ge in one gulp!

Xiang Nuan, who was deeply encased in the ‘Past’s head, looked at Chen Ge blankly, but suddenly, his gaze moved away from Chen Ge to the spot behind Chen Ge like his line of sight was attracted by something there. That was the spot where the ghost fetus had been standing earlier. Blood was boiling like crazy.

With Chen Ge as the center, all the surrounding ghosts and Specters were knocked and pressed to the ground by a powerful blood wave. Even the rag doll and the faceless doctor who were fighting among themselves were affected by this sudden turn of events, but the blood wave did not seem to care about what it was doing.

The giant ‘Past’ was like a sky that was falling while the shadow behind Chen Ge was like a blood sea that spread over the horizon. In the world filled with black fog, the sky and sea had clashed together!

The whole world was shaking. Blood rain started to fall from the sky, and it washed away plenty of the black fog. When people came to, they finally saw the new figure that had appeared to stand before Chen Ge.

The red dress was fluttering in the wind! Under the dress was a bottomless sea of blood!

“Zhang Ya!” The familiar back entered Chen Ge’s eyes. The person from Yu Jian’s world and the person before him now overlapped together. It felt incredibly surreal to Chen Ge. He raised his hand before finally deciding to put it down again. He knew now was a crucial moment where their life and death would be decided, and he also knew how precarious his condition was at that moment.

There is a new change to Zhang Ya’s body again. She did not use black hair like she used to in the past. The dress that she is wearing now has even more patterns of Specters’ faces, and the blood sea that is under her feet...

Using his Yin Yang Vision, the more Chen Ge looked, the more surprised he became. Zhang Ya was not stepping on a blood sea at all. Among the redness, Chen Ge could make out the outline of multiple buildings.

She seems to be standing atop a red city! Is she borrowing the power of that red city?

Chen Ge had found out from the old headmaster of the School of the Afterlife that Zhang Ya knew a path that could lead deep into the red city, and Zhang Ya herself had been to the center of the red city.

Chapter 1105 Too Close

The battlefield behind the door had been split into the two parts. The faceless doctor and the rag doll appeared to be cautious and limited their fighting to a smaller range. Zhang Ya and the ‘Past’, however, did not hold back at all. They could not care less about what would happen to this world. They did not care that more monsters would be drawn over. Once they made their move, they would not stop until one of them was dead. After the first collision, Zhang Ya became the focus of everyone’s attention.

With her every appearance, she became stronger than before. Even when facing the enormous ‘Past’ alone, she did not take even a step back. But as her power increased, so did the mystery surrounding her. There appeared to be some kind of connection between her and the red city. The Past’s first attack was neutralized by Zhang Ya. A long wound was left on its body. It was the result from that first attack.

Countless people’s memories were shredded, but Xiang Nuan, who was embedded in the Past’s head, was still looking as confused as ever. His eyes had no soul inside them as if he had no idea what he was doing, but he was unceremoniously staring at Zhang Ya and Chen Ge.

This monster does not feel pain, and it does not appear clever enough to contemplate anything too complicated. Even though it’s powerful, it’s unwieldy and hard to control. Why would the ghost fetus create a monster like this?

The battle went into a stalemate. Chen Ge was situated at the center of the storm, but he was not worried. He was focused on a question that had been troubling him—what was the ghost fetus’ goal? The black phone had told him to prevent the ghost fetus’ birth because once the ghost fetus was born, he would definitely die, but what exactly did the ghost fetus need to do to get born?

Chen Ge failed to deduce the answer from the ghost fetus’ preparation. Be it the broken rag doll or the ‘Past’ above them, they were not the complete version of the ghost fetus.

My once shadow appears to have split itself into multiple versions of itself. It wants to be reborn, so it should need to gather all the split versions of itself back into a ready body.

When Zhang Ya was fighting the 'Past', most of the buildings were broken. The walls of the buildings collapsed around them, the crumbled blocks appeared to fall irregularly, but actually, it would seem like they had subtly surrounded Jin Hwa Apartments and Jiu Hong Apartments.

Chen Ge had a very bad feeling. The cursed hospital had a very good chance of knowing the ghost fetus would probably be reborn on this day. They had been waiting for this day to come because they wanted to use the least amount of effort to accomplish their goal. And the ghost fetus itself had escaped from the cursed hospital. It had learned a lot from Doctor Gao. It was not a Specter that was dominated by brute force and hatred. It not only knew how to think, it also had a complete yet twisted and sick worldview. The ghost fetus would anticipate the arrival of the cursed hospital on this day, but it did nothing to stop them.

Chen Ge's eyes calmed down.

Let's imagine I am the ghost fetus, and I am hiding behind the door. I have prepared for over a decade for this day, so I definitely do not want any disturbance at this crucial moment. Thus, I must do everything within my power to stop the cursed hospital from entering the world behind the door.

With the rag doll and the 'Past' as well as many original tenants, the ghost fetus could already deal with two Demon Gods at the same time before his time of rebirth. With that kind of power, it should not have been hard to him to seal up the blood door, but the ghost fetus did not do it. Be it Chen Ge or the faceless doctor, they did not encounter any resistance when entering this door. It felt like the ghost fetus was purposely letting them in.

Nine children represented nine different powers that were taken away. If it was another person who entered those children's worlds, most of them would not have been able to resist the seduction of power, like Jia Ming and the cursed hospital. None of them would give up the chance to take part of the ghost fetus' power. In the face of such rewards, they would enter one door after another until they arrived at Xiang Nuan's world.

The weakened ghost fetus that they anticipated did not exist, but what they would find were two monsters that rivalled the power of a Demon God. The death of the intruders would return the ghost fetus' power to him. If everything went successfully, the ghost fetus would have a perfect rebirth. But did the ghost fetus need to undergo such a big risk just to take back the powers that it had lost?

Chen Ge looked at the 'Past', which was still growing. The monster blocked out the sky and loomed over the two residential areas. Its shell dragged on the ground, and it had involuntarily joined together with the ground.

Blocking out the sky and joining to the ground, the monster wants to envelope everything and everyone inside the whole residential area!

A maddening thought appeared in his mind. Chen Ge narrowed his pupils.

The ghost fetus' plan couldn't be to consume both Demon Gods, could it?

In Chen Ge's mind, a Top Red Specter was already a very scary presence. He was stunned by the ghost fetus' plan.

The door pusher's power is doubled behind their own door. The ghost fetus must have prepared everything already. His ten years of work was all for this day.

Chen Ge and the cursed hospital were looking for the ghost fetus, but at the same time, the ghost fetus was waiting for them behind the door. Taking in a deep breath, Chen Ge tried to make himself calm down. He did not really expect the ghost fetus' real plan to be to swallow everything, but equally, the ghost fetus probably did not expect Zhang Ya to have become so powerful.

I finally understand the true meaning of the words that the shadow told me at Li Wan City. His presence was to make me show all my trump cards, to test my limits! The shadow was sent by the ghost fetus to me as a test!

As a Demon God, the ghost fetus knew many things. He did not give much attention to the current Chen Ge. At most, Chen Ge was only one of his nine chosen candidates, one of the things he needed to make the perfect body.

It was not that long from the death of the shadow at Li Wan City to the birth of the ghost fetus, so the ghost fetus predicted that my ability would not have evolved too much during this short period, but he greatly underestimated Zhang Ya.

Zhang Ya, who had been hibernating, became the only variable, one that neither the ghost fetus nor Chen Ge's parents had predicted!

If Zhang Ya was still a Top Red Specter, if she was still wounded, then she would have had trouble dealing with this enormous 'Past'.

Chen Ge's back was soaked in cold sweat.

So, the ghost fetus planned everything. He believed I'd be weaker than the cursed hospital, so he directly used the powerful and scary 'Past' to deal with me, to take me out of the battle as soon as possible. If I die, everything that I have will become the soil on which the ghost fetus will grow. By then, the monster from the cursed hospital will be no threat to him. Being consumed by the ghost fetus would be a matter of time.

Consuming two Demon Gods at the same time just for his perfect rebirth, the ghost fetus' madness was hard to imagine, but the scariest thing was how close he was to succeeding, just that one step away.

Chapter 1106 He Has a Name; It's Xiang Nuan

The giant Past blocked before everyone. No matter what, everyone had deal with the Past. After its first fight with Zhang Ya, the Past's body was slowly changing. The black threads made from multiple memories and blurry shadows joined together to form thick limbs that extended in four directions, becoming a prison that trapped everyone inside the residential area.

The Past's upper body, which looked like a giant cicada, started to crack like it breaking through the cocoon. The fluttery cicada wings melted into the black fog. The fog that had been blown away earlier thickened again. The monster's wings appeared to have the power to attract the black fog.

The sky was sealed, and to make matters worse, the ground was becoming unsafe as well. The Past's lower body was sunken into the ground. The shell covered in ghost faces dragged on the ground. Old

shell continued to peel, but whenever that happened, new shell grow out of the exposed location soon enough. Compared to the upper body, the monster's lower body was more akin to a person's normal understanding. It was unable to be shaken off. No matter how hard one tried to forget about it, it would continue to return.

This happened again and again until a wounded monster was left behind. The monster's name should be 'I', but he was unable to refer to himself as the Past.

Painful faces appeared on the gray ground. A strange sound came from the inner core of the ground. It sounded like a beating heart. The faceless doctor had many ways to deal with the rag doll because he was familiar with all of the rag doll's powers. Even at its prime, the doctor would be able to hold the rag doll back, but now there was a new monster behind the door—the Past. The cursed hospital knew that the ghost fetus would have a hidden power, but they probably did not expect the ghost fetus to voluntarily join together with the monsters from the black fog. As a Demon God from the cursed hospital, he was more familiar with the scariness of the monster compared to Chen Ge.

It is impossible to bring Patient 0004 back alive now. He must have figured out the hospital's plan, so he blocked that option from the very beginning.

When the faceless doctor was fighting the rag doll, he still had time to think about other things.

Patient 0004's obsession is the pursuit of bliss, but he has been misdirected by Patient 0011 to believe that he will gain bliss once he becomes a human being. From the beginning, his path was wrong, so he is destined to fail.

The faceless doctor kept getting close to the rag doll.

Since I cannot bring Patient 0004 back alive, the other option is to shatter its soul and eliminate this unstable variable. The patient that the hospital really cares about is Patient 0001. Everyone else is just a replacement. The director will forgive me for doing this, but how am I supposed to kill Patient 0004?

One of the faces on the clothes glanced at Chen Ge. The face grimaced in hatred.

Join forces with him? Impossible! Compared to Patient 0004, the desire to kill him is stronger. The desire has overridden everything. Blast it, if I ran into him outside the door, I wouldn't have to worry so much.

The sky and ground kept changing. The rag doll stopped the faceless doctor while Zhang Ya stayed beside Chen Ge. Both Demon Gods did not leave the residential area. Everything was within the ghost fetus' calculations. The beating heart sound came from under their feet, and it started to match the rhythm of Chen Ge's own heartbeat. Each powerful beat caused extreme discomfort to Chen Ge. He gripped his chest tightly, but it was to no avail. Not only him, every Red Specter and monster from the fog inside the residential area felt the same negative effect. Everyone's heart was disrupted by the sound that came from underground.

Chen Ge looked around him. His employees' bodies started to change for the worse.

Even the Red Specters' hearts are influenced!

This was especially clear on the red high heels, who had consumed most of the ghost fetus' curses. The bandages on her body had almost all fallen apart, and the curious black pattern on her skin was bleeding like wounds that were branded on her body.

If you have taken something from the ghost fetus, now is the time to pay him back with interest. The monster plans to swallow everyone!

The sky was joined to the earth. The Past had enveloped the whole of Jiu Hong Apartments and Jin Hwa Apartments. Multiple curses twined together to morph into a black rain. Zhang Ya, stepping on the red sea, took on most of the pressure. She could not spare any energy to protect the other employees.

The black rain showered down. Chen Ge immediately took out the comic to summon back all his employees. Before the Demon Gods, normal Red Specters were just dead weight. Only Top Red Specters could be of some use. With the employees inside the comic, even though they had been saved from the corruption of the curse, their hearts were still affected.

After decades of preparation, the ghost fetus had finally initiated his plan. The first move was to be his last. He had calculated everything. This prison formed using the Past's body was tightening and strengthening. Now, only a Demon God could escape, but both Demon Gods present were held back. Even Xiao Bu, who was one step away from being a Top Red Specter, was unable to shake off the negative influence.

The heartbeat from underground assimilated itself to everyone's heartbeat. Every time it beat, it would grip at everyone's heart.

How did he manage to do this?

If this continues, my employees will be in serious trouble. They cannot hold on much longer.

Chen Ge did not look well. Even Red Specters were struggling, much less the normal Specters.

The heartbeat's coming from underground. To locate the heartbeat, I will have to find the heart that is hidden underground.

The sky was howling with a black storm. The curse that the ghost fetus had gathered for ten years lashed at everything behind the door. It was impossible to shield against the rain and then to find the heart at the same time. Even Zhang Ya could not manage that.

I cannot be a dead weight to Zhang Ya. It is because she needs to guard before me that she cannot evade the rain freely. She can only take it head on. Facing such a huge monster, that is not a wise choice.

The ghost fetus had probably calculated that as well. Chen Ge was still a human, so the ghosts on him would have to suffer the giant monster's attacks to protect him. In a way, he was Zhang Ya's weakness. However, could the same not be said of the ghost fetus?

The ghost fetus' plan was perfect, but he did not calculate for Wen Qing also entering the door.

The rag doll's missing arm should have been sent back to Jin Hwa Apartments' Block A. Every other building is crumbling, but that building alone is unaffected. The ghost fetus, or rather, Xiang Nuan is protecting Wen Qing.

Once a person had something they needed to protect, their weakness would be exposed. This was the only crack in the ghost fetus' perfect plan, and this crack was the last trace of humanity he had left.

"Zhang Ya, go to that tallest building!" Chen Ge shouted. But before he moved, the faceless doctor had already darted toward Block A. This Demon God from the cursed hospital had observed this anomaly as well. Initially, he was held back by the rag doll, but the rag doll did not fight him head on. It mostly just avoided the doctor's attacks. However, once the doctor moved toward Block A, the rag doll dragged its broken body to stop him.

Chen Ge saw this clearly. Wen Qing was probably the only person the ghost fetus still wished to protect.

Actually, he already has a family, but he just hasn't realized it himself.

Chen Ge was reminded of the first time he encountered Wen Qing and Xiang Nuan. Wen Qing would take Xiang Nuan to Eastern Jiujiang Dam every day. Wen Qing always accompanied Xiang Nuan, but Xiang Nuan was looking for the obsession that was buried deep inside the hole at the bottom of the dam. The hole was filled with numerable mud statuettes of Chen Ge's parents. They seemed to represent the ghost fetus' past desire for familial warmth.

It could not let that obsession go. The pair of eyes stared at the dark and still surface of the water, but it did not realize that there was already someone willing to accompany him by his side.

Chapter 1107 The Ghost Fetus' Last Choice 2 in 1

The ghost fetus had never experienced bliss, so it did not understand what real bliss felt like. It only knew how to be envious of other people, but it forgot to look around itself. When the faceless doctor started to launch an attack on Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, the rag doll dragged its broken body to try and stop him. It did not even understand why it would do something like that. It appeared like its body was acting on instinct. The rag doll was missing an arm, so it was at a disadvantage. Currently, the faceless doctor had the upper hand. The rag doll's condition worsened, and the wounds on its body increased. Its body and limbs were shredded multiple times, but the rag doll forced them to be stay together via the black curse threads.

When the faceless doctor saw the rag doll come after him voluntarily, he confirmed the suspicion in his mind. The faces on his red coat all revealed a sinister and wicked smile.

"Four, you still have something that you care about, huh? Looks like the director was not wrong. You are only close to Patient 0001, but there is still a gulf between you and him."

The mad faceless doctor kept using his words to disrupt the rag doll. Normally, these words would not have any influence on a Demon God, but if the words were laced with curses, it would be a completely different story. Every single word could be a trap. When a person or a Specter started to doubt themselves, they would easily fall for the trap. The basis of all the Specters was their obsession. If their own obsession was shaken, it would be an attack directly on their soul.

All the faces on the faceless doctor's coat showed horrible and disgusting expressions. The doctor moved even faster as more and more curses gathered around him. Earlier he was probably holding back because he was cautious about Zhang Ya and the Past.

“When I capture the woman inside Block A, I will bring her back to the hospital. She will be given the treatment that you have gone through. I believe that even after you have successfully reborn, you will come back to find her, right?”

The mouths tore open, and the shrill voice travelled very far down the distance. Even Chen Ge and the Past, who was floating above everyone, were able to hear the doctor clearly.

Xiang Nuan, who was embedded inside the Past's head shuddered his shoulders. Something seemed to return to his blurry eyes. The arms that were bound by endless broken carcasses and memories started to tighten. It appeared like the boy wanted to gain control over the Past. Compared to the Past, whose size had blocked out the sky, Xiang Nuan's body was so small that it was negligible, but at this moment, he wanted to use his small body to control that ginormous monster.

The faceless doctor was already very close to Jin Hwa Apartments Block A. Using Wen Qing as a threat, he slowly approached the tallest building as he delivered fatal blows on the rag doll. This monster from the cursed hospital was extremely greedy. On one hand, he wanted to take control of Wen Qing, but he did not want to lose this precious opportunity to deal heavy damage to the rag doll either. He appeared to be envious of this body that the ghost fetus had occupied.

The rag doll alone was obviously too weak to stop the faceless doctor. Xiang Nuan wanted to control the Past, but that appeared to be beyond the boy's power. Everything the Past was tasked to do was swallow everything and everyone inside Jiu Hong Apartments and Jin Hwa Apartments. The Past that was made from endless memories and materials sourced from the black fog did not want to ruin that plan just for the sake of Wen Qing.

The faceless doctor was rapidly approaching Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, and Zhang Ya was also hurrying toward that building while protecting Chen Ge. Unlike the faceless doctor, Chen Ge did not plan to use Wen Qing as leverage against the ghost fetus. He merely wanted to protect his own employees at that moment. Everyone had something that they wanted to protect; it was no exception for Chen Ge, even though he was normally the party being protected.

With Zhang Ya acting as his guardian, Chen Ge managed to get into Jin Hwa Apartments Block A before the faceless doctor. With the rag doll's arm placed safely inside the building, the building was safe from the black fog's influence. Basically, the place had not changed compared to the last time Chen Ge left it. Chen Ge entered the building easily and without any trouble, but just as Zhang Ya was prepared to enter the building, the rag doll's broken body that was not far away let out a shrill scream, one that appeared like it would have pulled harshly on its vocal chords.

After making that sound, the rag doll's movement slowed down. Its power was gradually slipping, but strangely enough, when the Past in the sky heard the rag doll's scream, its giant body started to slowly turn. As the rag doll's weakened, the light in Xiang Nuan's eyes appeared to return; the blankness in his eyes was being chased away.

The Past slowed down the speed of strengthening the prison. The period between each heartbeat was getting longer and longer. It instead turned its focus on Zhang Ya as if the moment Zhang Ya dared step into Jin Hwa Apartments' Block A, he would not hesitate to start attacking like crazy. Zhang Ya did not dare act too recklessly, but she kept her eyes on Chen Ge, who had entered the building.

There was no black fog inside Block A, but he could still feel the heartbeat that came from underground clearly. Chen Ge carried his backpack, and his fingers were tightly gripping his chest. The literal heart-wrenching feeling was hard to describe. It was as if his heart was trying to jump out of his physical body.

“Calm down, I have to calm down!” Cold sweat soaked his forehead. Chen Ge tried to remember where he had heard Wen Qing’s voice coming from. “Wen Qing appears to have been placed on the top floor. The sound of the heartbeat came from underground. The top floor is furthest away from the ground, so she would be least affected if she was placed there! The ghost fetus must have considered that before he decided to fetch Wen Qing and place her on the top floor!”

Rushing into the stairwell, Chen Ge stumbled and climbed his way up to the top floor. The heartbeat kept interrupting him, and his fingers that covered his heart were already white from the force. Using both his legs and hands, Chen Ge gasped hungrily for air as he climbed on all fours up the steps. When he reached the fifth floor, the influence of the heartbeat on his body had weakened conspicuously.

“It’s working!” The condition of the workers inside the comic was turning for the better as well, but Chen Ge did not dare let his guard down because the sound of the heartbeat coming from the underground was getting louder and louder as well. If it could not be stopped from its core, then it would be pointless even to run and hide at the top floor. The ghost fetus had spent decades preparing this trap. From the very beginning, the plan was to swallow everyone. It would not have left behind a blind spot that would allow a person to hide for safety.

When it was making the plan, it had nothing but hatred for everything. The ghost fetus himself must have been as surprised as everyone else that when his plan was put into motion, he would have someone that he cared about who got mixed into the plan. Chen Ge climbed upward, higher into the building. He was glad that he had taken the pains to clear away all the mad people inside the building earlier, or else they would have been a great impediment to him at this moment.

Without wasting any time, Chen Ge climbed to the seventh floor. Right at that moment, a giant boom came from outside the building. The building shook violently, and Chen Ge almost lost his balance and rolled down the stairs. Looking through the window, Chen Ge saw that Zhang Ya had gotten into another fight with the Past, but this time, Zhang Ya did not face it head on. Instead, she perfectly utilized the agility and dexterity that the Past did not possess to avoid most of the damage. Without Chen Ge holding her back, it was very difficult for the Past to really injure Zhang Ya.

The several parties had gotten into a stalemate again, but this was extremely beneficial to the ghost fetus. It would be able to accomplish its final goal. All the people and Specters, including the two Demon Gods, would become nutrients for its rebirth. With three Demon Gods as the foundation, if the ghost fetus successfully reborn, even if his body had some deficiencies, he would an extremely scary presence, so scary in fact that he might even be capable of breaking the limitation between life and death.

Everything was still moving in the direction as the ghost fetus was hoping, but his plan that appeared thorough actually had many loopholes. When all these loopholes were gathered together, it would knock one of the steps of the plan way out of place.

The rag doll, whose energy was rapidly depleting, was still trying its best to stop the faceless doctor, but without its arm, heart, and under the influence of Chen Ge, it had ultimately failed. The body that was a macramé of trash was broken up and reconstructed again and again. The rag doll was very familiar with

this process. Since it had become the item of possession for the shadow, it had been repeating this process day in and day out.

For other people, this pain would literally tear at the heart, but shattering its bones was an everyday event for the rag doll. It would never give up because of pain. It told itself that it would never feel pain because it was just a mere rag doll. With each reconstruction, no matter what happened, it would try its best to regain and reform its body. That was until this day when the cursed threads inside its body were all severed and the curse that bound its body together was replaced by the curse from another Demon God.

The injuries on its body could not be healed anymore. The button that was sewn on its face started to slip, and it slid down the side of the building and landed on the ground. This body that had been reconstructed who knew how many times finally crumbled on this day. Its head was eviscerated by the most familiar curse. It looked at the smiles on the faceless doctor and then glanced at the dried avian bodies inside its right arm. Its gaze gradually moved until they landed on Jin Hwa Apartments Block A.

The mouth that was sewn together wished to open. The black rain fell steadily on its face. The rag doll's head eventually rolled and stopped next to the button. When the rag doll was defeated by the faceless doctor, Jin Hwa Apartments' Block A started to vibrate violently. Endless black fog rushed into it. The arm that guarded the building until now had lost its use.

The black fog seeped into the building. When Chen Ge saw the black fog enter the building, he knew what had happened outside the building. The rag doll that had once been occupied by the ghost fetus had been destroyed. The body that had borne witness to the pain that the ghost fetus had suffered was torn apart by the faceless doctor. The trash that was previously stuffed inside the rag doll littered the ground.

"It cannot be used anymore? Did it give everything that it had to the Past before it died?" Even though the faceless doctor had managed to 'kill' the rag doll, he did not look too happy about it. "Patient 0004 was willing to give everything that he had to the monster inside the black fog and did not keep a shred of power for himself. Does he have such confidence that the plan this time will be successful?"

The faceless doctor failed to find the thing that he wanted among the rag doll's broken body. Before this, he appeared to have this belief that the ghost fetus would leave some insurance for himself. As long as there was something of the ghost fetus left inside the rag doll, then the rag doll could still be reconstructed, but apparently the faceless doctor had guessed wrong. The angered faceless doctor turned his focus to Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, which was almost toppled over.

"The person that Patient 0004 cares about is still in there. If I can capture her, then I can still find a way to escape. I can use her as a medium to place horrible curses on the ghost fetus to seek a way out from this tragedy."

The faceless doctor did not plan to get into any fight with the Past. He took a glance at Zhang Ya, and his gaze darkened.

"With her drawing the Past's attention, this is quite a good development for me."

Of course, the faceless doctor was not going to lose this precious opportunity. After the faceless doctor killed the rag doll, he rushed toward Jin Hwa Apartments' Block A without any hesitation.

With the rag doll dead, no one was able to stop the faceless doctor anymore. As he was getting closer and closer to Block A, Chen Ge, who was about to reach the top floor, screamed loudly at Zhang Ya, "Lead the monster over to the doctor! You have to find a way to destroy the heart that is hidden underground!"

Zhang Ya understood him perfectly. Actually, before Zhang Ya pulled the Past's focus to the doctor, the Past had already moved its attention to the faceless doctor. All Zhang Ya needed to do was astutely move aside for the Past to pass. Hearing this, the faceless doctor really wanted to tear out Chen Ge's mouth, but there was no other way out of this. However, fortunately for the faceless doctor, he had already discovered Wen Qing, and he was very close to her!

After the rag doll's death, Xiang Nuan, who was encased in the Past's head, was slowly recovering his consciousness. Spirit started to return to his eyes. At that moment, the Past's giant body was lying between Zhang Ya and the faceless doctor. Due to the size of its body, it would need to take some time even if it just wanted to twist its body around. The faceless doctor was getting closer and closer to Wen Qing while Zhang Ya listened to Chen Ge's suggestion. The bloody sea leaked underground. The black hair pushed the ground open like waves, and she soon found the source of the heartbeat.

The Past's shell that it could not shake off was buried in the ground. On the spot where the shell was joined to the ground sat a blood red heart that was beating. That was the heart that the ghost fetus possessed when he became a Red Specter. It was a blackened heart. Part of it was heavily shielded by the shell. It was an analogy of it being heavily bound by the painful past, and it could not shake it off no matter how hard it tried.

The remaining part was wreathed in a cage of fresh blood vessels. It was joined to the Past's upper body, and from the top of the heart extended multiple blood vessels. The blood vessels were joined to all the buildings and the ground of the entire residential area. With every beat of the heart, the blood vessels would ingest the monsters and Specters that had been killed inside the residential area. The more the ghosts that it consumed, the bigger the red part of the heart became. Currently, the heart was enormous.

The ghost fetus had turned all the ghosts that he had consumed into energy to help him shake off the shell. Based on the normal speed, he would need to consume a lot of Specters and require a lot of time before he could use this method to turn his heart fully red. But to counteract this, the more the monsters from inside the black fog he consumed, the bigger the Past would become. The heart would grow bigger, and so would the black part. It was as if the events that had happened today would eventually become a part of the past.

Zhang Ya had found the source of the heartbeat. The city in the red sea under her feet was becoming clear. She seemed to be ready to destroy this heart directly.

According to the ghost fetus' original plan, the rag doll was supposed to hold off the monster from the cursed hospital while the Past would be tasked with killing Zhang Ya. After he had obtained Chen Ge's body, he would be invincible. Then, he would gather all his power to slowly torture the monster from the cursed hospital to death. It was a flawless plan, but unfortunately, the plan had strayed wildly from its path.

With the rag doll dead, the Past was stuck between Zhang Ya and the faceless doctor. It was placed in a difficult position. Zhang Ya was about to destroy the Past's heart, and the faceless doctor was about to get his hands on Wen Qing. The faceless doctor would not hesitate to implant a Demon God's curse on this innocent woman. The Past had to make a choice between its own heart and Wen Qing!

'I' die, or 'she' dies.

After a short hesitation by the large Past, it turned its focus to bite at Zhang Ya, but as it made that decision, Xiang Nuan, who was embedded in its head, started to cry tears of blood!

Both of his arms struggled free from the Past's giant body like the wings of a free bird as they extended to the spot where Wen Qing was!

"Trash desires to have a life like a normal human being. It is chasing something that even it itself cannot explain clearly. Based on its description, I personally believe it is looking for the feeling of bliss.

"Trash wishes to obtain bliss, but it does not understand what bliss is. To cure its illness, I will have to first teach it the meaning of bliss.

"The lack of bliss, or misery, is a kind of disease. Misery is like a cut that's left on one's heart. All the happiness will leak out from this opening, and bliss is the bandage that will close this wound.

"Using my perspective to explain bliss, Trash was able to understand the concept very quickly.

"It looked for a long time, but it failed to find bliss. To help it understand the concept further, I persuaded it to create misery and, from the contrast, try to observe what bliss actually is.

"Trash chose a bird. Under my tutelage, it broke off the bird's wing. The blood splattered all over the bird's feathers. The bird was wailing in despair. That is the sound of misery.

"Under the watchful care of Trash, the bird's wound slowly recovered. But it had lost the ability to fly in the sky. I told Trash that was the price for bliss.

"To obtain bliss, one has to give up something. It is a very fair exchange."

Chapter 1108 You Were Not Supposed to Be in This World 2 in 1

The ghost fetus made the final choice. Xiang Nuan, who was embedded in the Past's head, was covered in blood. His eyes were no longer lost. Roaring, he crawled as fast as he could toward Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, where Wen Qing was. The Past's giant body was being dragged along. It blocked out the sky and tore open the ground. Perhaps it knew that this was the last chance that it ever got, so it did not hold back and launched the scariest attack that it could muster against the faceless doctor!

The faceless doctor sent by the cursed hospital could not fathom the choice made by the ghost fetus at that moment. They had spent more than ten years studying the ghost fetus, and they could be said to understand the ghost fetus like the back of their hand. From his perspective and understanding of the ghost fetus, he should not have done something like this.

"Why?" By now, the faceless doctor had seen Wen Qing, who was hiding on the rooftop. The faces on his face darkened with malice, and then they all broke out in a maddening laughter. "No matter, the more you care for her, the more I need to capture her!"

Numerous thin, black strands wiggled out from the faceless doctor's body. The human faces on his coat were slowly disappearing one by one. With the disappearance of each face, there would be a person constructed fully from curses that appeared beside him. The figures were about as powerful as the faceless doctor, but they moved much faster than the doctor. At this crucial moment, the faceless doctor had used his own power. He had to obtain Wen Qing no matter what.

"As long as I can capture Wen Qing and then use the curse to control her, perhaps I can use her to threaten the ghost fetus!"

When the faceless doctor was fighting the Past, Zhang Ya stood above the Past's enormous heart. Her pale and slender hands reached out to press on the Past's ugly shell. The five fingers easily phased through the hard shell. The blood wave and the black hair slipped into the Past's heart through the opening. Zhang Ya wanted to destroy the Past's heart but things were not as simple as she hoped. As soon as she did that, many curse and dead souls appeared from inside the Past's body. They weaved together to form a sturdy layer over the heart to protect it. The wounds that he had experienced, the pain and despair from the past, became the shield that protected the Past's heart.

Zhang Ya tried many different ways, but she failed to shatter the layer of crust around the heart. The expression on her face slowly changed. The pale fingers gradually tightened, and the blood sea under her feet bubbled with violent waves. The buildings that were previously hiding inside the blood sea became clearer. They changed from an outline of themselves into actual buildings. The black fog was chased back, and an indescribably scary presence exuded from Zhang Ya.

She looked closely at the Past's heart and slowly raised her fingers. As the slender fingers rose, following them were the many buildings submerged in the red sea!

Chen Ge, who was climbing up Block A, saw this as well. He was so surprised that his mouth was hanging open. Zhang Ya was currently using the same kind of power that Xiao Bu had used earlier. The difference was, Xiao Bu summoned the shadow of Li Wan City to source her power, but Zhang Ya was stepping on the red city itself!

"Xiao Bu was able to summon the bloody projection of Li Wan City because she is the door pusher at Li Wan City. There is an undeniable connection between her and that place. Zhang Ya is now using the same power as Xiao Bu, but she is summoning the bloody projection of the red city! Does this mean that Zhang Ya has some kind of deep connection with the red city?"

After he reached the rooftop, Chen Ge looked down at the distant Zhang Ya.

"Zhang Ya's most basic power is to control her black hair. Other than this power, she can use the powers of the other Specters, including the Specters that she has consumed and the Specters that are related to me. Xiao Bu used her power earlier, and Zhang Ya is using the more powerful version of it now. This appears to be her real special power."

The appearance of the red city had shaken the whole world behind the door. Many Specters and souls were screaming inside the red city, and the black fog was forcibly pushed back. Zhang Ya was borrowing the energy from the red city to steamroll over the Past's heart!

At the same time, the faceless doctor had also finally arrived at the rooftop of Jin Hwa Apartments Block A. The Past's giant mouth was just hovering above his head.

“Wen Qing, stay away from him!” Chen Ge shouted at Wen Qing, who was standing at the edge of the rooftop. The roof was barren, and there was no place for her to use as a cover. Then again, Wen Qing did not look like she was trying to hide either. Her eyes were locked on Xiang Nuan, who was deeply entrenched in the Past’s head. Be it a Demon God or the monster that blocked out the sky, they did not stop her from continuing to call Xiang Nuan’s name.

In reality, before a Demon God, it would be pointless for a normal person to try to hide. The faceless doctor approached her at lightning speed. He had multiple shadows trailing behind him. Each of them was carrying a face that had been peeled off from his doctor’s coat.

Bang!

The Past’s head was torn open, and the disformed mouth directly moved down to swallow the faceless doctor. The souls were wailing. Both parties were experts at curses. The black threads were like blades dancing in the air, cutting and shredding the black rain that was falling constantly. Ultimately, the Past still cared about Wen Qing. It was willing to suffer some damage to protect Wen Qing by swallowing the faceless doctor. It would only feel better once the faceless doctor was inside its stomach because it was too easy for a Demon God to kill a normal human being.

The faceless doctor’s curse crawled into the Past’s flesh. Pieces of memory were peeling. Black blood dripped along with the rain, but the Past did not seem to mind it at all. Xiang Nuan, who had long since stopped caring about his life, would not pay attention to these injuries.

His bleeding eyes were following the faceless doctor closely. The black threads that bound his mouth were torn open, and the doctor screamed from pain. The Past was doing the same thing as him. The Past’s giant mouth bit off the man’s chest, and the black blood splashed all over the rooftop. Just like that, the Past swallowed the faceless doctor and the shadows behind him in one gulp. The giant mouth closed. The scene was extremely shocking, but before anyone could recover from this scene, a shrill laugh came from the edge of the building.

“Damn it!” Even though Chen Ge also wanted to kill the ghost fetus, he did not want Wen Qing to get injured, so he ran to help her at the first notice, but he was still too late. There was a shredded face stuck to the wall near Wen Qing’s feet. The face had been forcibly yanked off by the faceless doctor. It was still dyed with fresh blood on its back. The faceless doctor had split up numerous shadows, and every one of them was incredibly powerful. Just as everyone thought that was the end of his tricks, he had reserved one more hand. He had silently torn off one of the faces from his coat without anyone noticing.

No one knew when he did that, and no one saw how that face managed to crawl to the Wen Qing’s feet. Before anyone could react, the face had already crawled onto Wen Qing’s body. It branded itself like a tattoo on Wen Qing’s leg. An eerie and scary smile came from the face on Wen Qing’s skin. Immediately, black lines that grew like briars expanded from Wen Qing’s flesh!

Wen Qing’s face paled instantly. It felt like her whole body was being punctured by sharp needles.

“Release my body immediately, or I will kill her in the most painful way before your eyes,” the face that grew on Wen Qing’s flesh warned. A normal human being was powerless before a Demon God. The faceless doctor literally had his hand over Wen Qing’s life. The painful wails echoed on the rooftop. It

showed that Wen Qing was in a pain that a normal person would never have the ability to imagine. Before the bloody tears at the corner of his eyes had dried, Xiang Nuan's face fully contorted.

The cage had been prepared, but his only family was trapped inside the cage as well. The black rain continued to fall in greater intensity. Xiang Nuan looked at Wen Qing. The memory pieces kept dropping from the Past's body. He appeared to wish to open the mouth that he had closed.

"Do not mind me!" Wen Qing collapsed to the ground while suffering the pain from the curse. She suddenly raised her head to shout at the Past, "I do not need you to take care of me, and I do not want anything from you! I only wish that you will be able to grow up healthily and live on happily!"

Green veins popped on her neck. The black threads swam under her skin like many little snakes. Wen Qing's nails that gripped the ground were peeling off. She stared at Xiang Nuan, who was looking like a monster. Xiang Nuan, sunk deep inside the ghost fetus' head, was shaking all over. The wounds on the boy's body were increasing. The pain that Wen Qing was in continued to increase, but somehow, she had stopped screaming. The black blood capillaries pulsed under her skin. Different types of curses were applied to her body. Her face started to lose its features, and her body shape started to change, but she resisted the urge to scream. She kept her mouth clamped shut.

Xiang Nuan saw all this clearly. The bleeding eyeballs stared at the woman on the rooftop. In the end, he still slowly opened his mouth. The Past's giant mouth was slowly opened again. The faceless doctor was only swallowed for about ten seconds, but his body had already become quite translucent. The Past appeared to have the ability to kill a Demon God.

"A brilliant choice if I do say so myself." The ghost face on Wen Qing's body laughed wickedly. "Now, I need you to..."

Before it finished, it realized something was wrong. Wen Qing, who was carrying multiple curses on her, had already crawled to the edge of the building.

"What are you doing!"

The blood capillaries surfaced on all parts of her body. Wen Qing, who had been tortured until she had lost a basic human shape, did something that no one expected. With a final glow of determination in her eyes, Wen Qing jumped over the edge of the rooftop of Jin Hwa Apartments Block A!

"I do not know what you have done in the past, I also do not understand why you have become the way that you are now, but I am always ready to trust you, to accompany you, and to protect you." Wen Qing voluntarily jumped into the Past's open mouth. Along with the faceless doctor's last remaining face, she fell into the monster's maw. When she fell, she kept her eyes on Xiang Nuan, who was bound at the monster's head.

"Because... you are my son."

Wen Qing, having been cursed by the Demon God, had her life in the faceless doctor's control. She did not want to be the chip that was used to control Xiang Nuan. Even if Xiang Nuan had turned into a monster, even if a normal human was nothing more than a piece of dust in the presence of a Demon God, she had found a way to protect Xiang Nuan. All forms of love in this world pointed toward the need to stay together. Only a parent's love could bear the pain of separation.

When the Past's mouth closed, the faceless doctor and Wen Qing fell into the Past's body. Other than the ghost fetus, no one knew what was inside the Past's body. The people present only saw that the faceless doctor had been swallowed earlier. A mere ten seconds had passed, and his body had become much weaker than before. He appeared to have suffered greatly from that attack. The Past's stomach appeared to be the guillotine that the ghost fetus had prepared specifically for Demon Gods. It was a place where even a 'God' could be digested. So, what would happen to a normal human?

The pounding of the heart inside the world that was shrouded in the black fog travelled far and long. The Past's stomach bloated and expanded. The faceless doctor appeared to be resisting as much as he could, but ultimately, the resistance slowed. The sound of that heartbeat became louder and louder. All the Specters and monsters inside the door were affected. It felt like their hearts were about to explode.

Chen Ge went to hide at the rooftop of Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, but he was still unable to avoid the influence brought upon by the heartbeat. He looked down the building. The red sea had enveloped the dual-colored heart. The buildings inside the red city had punctured the blood vessels that were hidden underground. Zhang Ya had already shattered the crust that had formed over the surface of the heart earlier, and now she was using the whole city to clash against the Past's heart. She was forced to do that, or else the ghost fetus, who had consumed the faceless doctor, would kill everyone there!

The cold, hard shell of the heart was broken, and the black and red heart was being smashed into pieces by the red city!

Blood rain fell from the sky, and the ground split open. The blood vessels snapped one after another. The location where Xiang Nuan's heart was started to leak blood as well. The more he moved his hands to slow the bleeding, the more the blood continued to flow. The blood riddled with curses turned his shirt into a dark red color. His body was slowly peeling away from the Past's giant body. His eyes were no longer soulless. Instead, there was a cocktail of complicated emotions. It was not sadness, nor was it despair. Perhaps the boy himself did not know how to identify this feeling he was experiencing.

With his hand over his heart, Xiang Nuan made a very difficult decision after a long time. He did not heal his wound or chose to attack anyone. He used the last ounce of his energy to start to suck in all the black blood and the curses from inside the Past's body!

Many strange wounds and curses appeared on his body. He had taken on all the sin again. Xiang Nuan's body was slowly sinking. All the tragedy, all the pain, and all the despair from the past had sedimented inside the boy's body. The Past's gigantic body was changing at the same time. The core of this giant monster was the ghost fetus' past, the past that Xiang Nuan had decided to carry from now on. So, once the core had shifted, the Past no longer looked as scary as it originally did.

The clamped mouth broke open again. The Past's stomach was filled with past versions of himself. Children that were made from curses and negative emotions tried their best to stop the faceless doctor from escaping. Some of the children, meanwhile, were protecting a woman who was dying. The Past was a creature that the ghost fetus created to kill a Demon God. It had never wondered what would happen to a normal human after they had been swallowed.

Curses were still travelling and growing on the woman's body. Her life was entering its final countdown. The children helped to move the woman to the head of the Past, the location where Xiang Nuan was

bound to earlier. After all of this had been done, Xiang Nuan, who now carried all of the sin, walked to the Past's heart that had been shattered.

The Past's upper body was like a cicada while the lower body was like a heavy shell that dragged it down. The heart was right in the middle. One half of it was red, the other half black. Currently, Xiang Nuan was standing at the part that was black. He lifted his head to look at the dying Wen Qing.

"It is time to bid farewell to the past now."

Raising both of his hands, Xiang Nuan grabbed the Past's upper body while his feet were standing on top of the Past's heavy shell. Once again, he had started to consume the sin that was originally inside the Past's body. This time, he did not hold back at all. He had transferred all of the bad things that had happened to him to his own body. His legs grew into the heavy shell because the amount of sin consumed continued to increase. The Past's lower body became scarier and scarier looking. It was covered with spikes and needles, and many screaming faces started to fill up the surface of the shell.

However, in contrast, since all the sin and bad things had been taken by Xiang Nuan, the Past's upper body became softer and fuller. The broken wings started to repair themselves and became firmer in existence. Wen Qing, who was dying, slowly regained consciousness. The pain that was brought on by the curse was lessening.

"I am unable to save your life. This is the only way I can help you. Everyone fears me because I am a Demon God, but I am actually no more than a lonely ghost."

The voice of ghost fetus came out of Xiang Nuan's mouth. They were one and the same from the very beginning. The sin was amplifying. Xiang Nuan's body and legs were sinking and joining with the shell underneath him. His skin was also gradually turning into the appearance of the Past's shell.

"My heart is dirty and muddled, filled with pain and dirtiness. I have been searching in the raining night, envious of the sun in other people's eyes. I have reached out in hell, but no one came to save me until the day you appeared in my life. But at the same time, I was worried of dragging you into the abyss with me.

"I know what you have been anticipating of me, but I would rather be a patient isolated from the world than have you step into my world. You were not supposed to be in this world behind the door."

By taking on all the sin, Xiang Nuan's consciousness started to flag. Over the past ten years, the Past had consumed too many things in the black fog, and now Xiang Nuan was going to shoulder all the sin on his own. His consciousness was weakening. His body joined together with the thick, heavy shell, and he would not be able to tear himself away from it anymore.

When Xiang Nuan sucked away the last shred of the Past's sin, his consciousness reached its limit. His body was completely joined to the dark shell. He would never leave this world surrounded by black fog anymore.

At the same time, the Past's upper body opened its wings. Its winged body was soft and gentle, like a miracle in this black and hopeless world. When Xiang Nuan released his hands, it started to float into the black fog. But it never intended to leave. It fluttered about the boy like a whale protecting a deserted island.

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The black fog that spread over the horizon was like an endless expanse of black sea, and Xiang Nuan was like an island that was placed at the center of the ocean. By carrying all the sin, his body assimilated with the shell of the Past, and he was unable to separate itself from it anymore. His consciousness started to fade, and Xiang Nuan's eyes focused on the giant whale that swam around him. The sin and curses that were far beyond his limit of acceptance consumed his body. The giant shell that was now part of Xiang Nuan was sinking into the world of the black fog. His skin was starting to turn into the same color of the ground of the world around him.

The giant whale appeared to be wailing. It sounded like it was calling someone's name, but Xiang Nuan was unable to hear it anymore. His actions became slower and slower until sin covered his entire body. His last shred of consciousness was snuffed out like candle in the night. His lips moved slightly. Xiang Nuan appeared to say something, but no one could hear him clearly.

Everyone watched as the boy's body gradually assimilated into the shell of the Past, becoming part of the world of the black fog. The last shred of consciousness was consumed by the black fog. The ghost fetus carried all his sin and dispersed into nothingness, leaving behind an island of humanity in the world of the black fog. The sin of this place was so heavy that even the ghost in the black fog did not dare come too close to this place, but the giant and beautiful whale guarded closely beside it. The black fog was corrupting her body, but she did not mind it at all. The giant body slowly swam around the small island, splashing away the black fog that dared to come close to the small island and blocked away the black rain that dropped from the sky.

Chen Ge stood at the rooftop of Jin Hwa Apartments Block A and looked at everything silently until the temperature around him suddenly dropped, and a faded scent of blood drifted into his nostril. Turning his head back, Chen Ge realized that Zhang Ya was standing beside him. She was looking at Xiang Nuan, who had turned into the island, and Wen Qing, who had morphed into the giant whale. The two stared at this scene for a long time until a pale hand poked out from underneath the Past's blackened shell. The hand was covered in shredded human faces.

The faceless doctor struggled to crawl out from under the shell. His coat of blood had already disappeared, his body was covered in wounds, and the faces that were on the coat had now been transferred to his physical body. He was lucky to have survived this ordeal, but the faceless doctor was still not satisfied. He cursed the ghost fetus under his breath while his eyes kept following the giant whale above his head, unblinking.

"She has not been touched by the influence of sin at all, huh? Has the ghost fetus delivered everything that it has gathered for the past ten years to that woman?"

The faceless doctor's eyes were overflowing with greed, but before he could take any further action, an extremely scary presence materialized behind him. He whipped his body around, and the expressions of the broken faces on the faceless doctor's body all changed. He saw Zhang Ya and Chen Ge were standing near him.

"I know you are targeting the ghost fetus as well. You won't be able to consume all of the power he's left behind by yourself, so why don't we work together?" The faceless doctor was very apprehensive of

Zhang Ya. He was seriously injured, and the fact that he was still alive was already in itself a miracle, so he had no energy left to fight Zhang Ya.

“There’s no problem with us working together, but before that, you have to answer a few of my questions honestly.” Chen Ge walked out from behind Zhang Ya. When he noticed that the faceless doctor was still alive, he had gotten Zhang Ya to follow him and take a look. The thing that the ghost fetus had given to Wen Qing, Chen Ge did not wish to take away from her, but he was not going to let this Demon God go so easily.

“What do you want to know?” This appeared to be the first time the faceless doctor had conversed with a normal human being. All the faces on his body focused their scary countenance on Chen Ge. The chilling and eerie feeling gripped at Chen Ge’s heart, but to the faceless doctor’s surprise, Chen Ge did not react in any way toward it.

“The first question, when did you guys start to target the ghost fetus?”

“When he escaped from Jiujiang,” the faceless doctor admitted easily. For someone like him, they would do anything for their lives. “We had close surveillance on him, so we knew basically everything that he was doing. As long as one’s been a patient of our hospital, they will have the hospital’s curse on them. Even if they manage to escape, in the future, one day, the hospital will appear before them again.”

“In other words, you’ve known for a while that the ghost fetus was hiding inside Xiang Nuan?”

“Of all the nine children selected by the ghost fetus, only Xiang Nuan did not have self-consciousness. He almost died during childbirth. The ghost fetus literally protected his life, but at the same time, he took over his life.” The faceless doctor made use of this time to recover. “We not only knew the ghost fetus was hiding inside Xiang Nuan—we also knew that he was destined to fail. No one can bridge the gap between life and death, so we have been waiting for this very last moment to come and recapture our patient.”

“Recapture your patient? Before becoming your patient, he was my shadow.” Chen Ge’s tone made it very difficult to read his thoughts.

“You wish to use that as leverage to claim a greater share? No problem, I only need thirty percent of the power left behind by the ghost fetus. the rest can be yours.” It was unclear whether the faceless doctor was trying to stall for time or really thought that way to try to be on Chen Ge’s good side. Either way, the man was not to be trusted.

“I can give you all the power of the ghost fetus, but I hope you can honestly answer the next few questions that I have.” Chen Ge slowly lowered his head so that no one would be able to see his current expression. “Why didn’t the people from your hospital dare appear that freely in Jiujiang? Is there some kind of secret hidden here?”

“What are you talking about? Aren’t I here now? I do not know how to answer this question of yours.”

“Patient 0004, the ghost fetus; Patient 0011, the doctor; and many more patients have hidden in Jiujiang, but over the past ten years, the hospital did not send anyone to come to Jiujiang to recapture them. It was not until recently that you people dared come into the territory of Jiujiang. I suspect that it

is because the thing that you guys were afraid of has disappeared, so there was nothing to hold you guys back.”

Chen Ge used Yin Yang Vision to the extreme. His head tilted up slowly and captured all the expressions of the faces on the doctor.

The faceless doctor did not speak. All the faces on his body were all looking back at Chen Ge. After a few minutes, the faceless doctor finally admitted, “Yes, you’re right. Before this, we were not allowed to enter Jiujiang freely because of a curse, or rather, it was more of a deal. But now that curse has been abolished.”

“It has been abolished?”

“Yes, because the party that created the curse is now dead.” The faceless doctor was also closely following the change in Chen Ge’s expression.

“Do you know the name of the party who created the curse?”

“It was a husband and wife, but as for their names and appearance, these details are only known to the hospital director.” This was not the first time that the faceless doctor had mentioned the hospital director. It appeared like he had great respect and admiration for the director from the bottom of his heart.

“How does one get to meet the hospital director?” Chen Ge asked expressionlessly. No one was able to tell what he was thinking.

“The only known method for now is to become one of the patients, and you will have to be one of the patients ranked in the top ten.” The faceless doctor did not appear like he was lying. He gave it some serious thought before he provided Chen Ge with the method that was most easily achieved.

“One last question, as a Demon God, the ghost fetus was only ranked number four at your hospital. How scary are the first three patients? Tell me everything that you know about them.”

“I am sorry, but the details of the three patients are themselves part of the curse. Once you mention them, bad things will happen.”

“Sounds like you are not prepared to answer my questions anymore...”

“Actually I have already told you many things, but you have to understand that the more you know, the more dangerous your situation will be.” The faceless doctor had slowly recovered. Even the shredded faces on his body were slowly coming back together.

Chen Ge had chatted with the faceless doctor for a long time, and the latter had merely been brushing off the former. Even though the faceless doctor had technically answered all of Chen Ge’s questions, none of the answers that he gave were clear and traceable. But even so, Chen Ge managed to derive the information that he wanted from their conversation.

My parents have formed some kind of deal with the cursed hospital, their disappearance therefore has to be related to this hospital!

With that point confirmed, the rest did not matter that much to Chen Ge. Now, he only wanted to do one thing, and that was to kill the faceless doctor as soon as possible, to tear open his soul and deprive him of the chance to survive. This way, the cursed hospital would lose the power of one Demon God!

"I have answered all your questions. We have just experienced a bloody war; now is the time to enjoy the spoil of war." The faceless doctor's greedy gaze moved to fall on the giant whale. He desperately needed the power left behind by the ghost fetus to help with his own convalescence.

"I can give you all the energy that is left behind by the ghost fetus, but..." Chen Ge flipped open the comic as he took a step back. "You will have to be alive to enjoy it!"

Both Xiao Bu and the red high heels appeared at the same time. They guarded beside Chen Ge while Zhang Ya made her move toward the faceless doctor as if on cue. The faceless doctor had done a lot of preparation to deal with the ghost fetus, but that preparation was never meant for Zhang Ya, and he had suffered heavy wounds from his battle with the rag doll and then the Past.

The battle between the two pushed away the black fog. This was for the first time Chen Ge had seen the power of a Demon God up close, and it was on a completely different level from a Red Specter. The battle took much longer than Chen Ge anticipated. The faceless doctor was scarily resilient. His body was broken again and again, but he always found a way to recover himself. During the battle, he even tried to come after Chen Ge several times, to attempt to use Chen Ge as leverage to threaten Zhang Ya, like how he used Wen Qing to limit the ghost fetus, but he was stopped every time by the red high heels and Xiao Bu.

Chen Ge was not Wen Qing. With strong mental acuity and the protection of several Red Specters, he even dared to use his employees' special powers to help intervene between the fight of the two Demon Gods. The faceless doctor fought with everything he had, and that exposed some of Zhang Ya's problems. She could not use other people's powers for too long because it would cause serious damage to her own body.

The two fought until the very end. Bloody rain rained down on the residential area. The faceless doctor was ultimately trapped inside the projection of the red city by Zhang Ya. The congealed resentment burst through the black fog. The Specters did not dare move close to this place. They did not dare step onto the island. When the bloody rain stopped, the faceless doctor had disappeared without a trace, and only Zhang Ya stood alone amid the sea of red.

"The ghost fetus had already heavily injured the faceless doctor, but even so, Zhang Ya had to sacrifice a lot before she managed to trap and kill the faceless doctor. Looks like it is not that simple to kill a Demon God." The sea of red slowly ebbed. The red city also disappeared along with it. The faceless doctor's body reappeared on the ground like a beached carcass. Black curses still travelled on his body. The man's soul had been broken and shattered, but his body appeared to still be alive in some weird way.

"Even though the faceless doctor, Zhang Ya, and the ghost fetus are all Demon Gods, the faceless doctor gives off a different feeling from the other Demon Gods. He appears to be slightly weaker than Zhang Ya and the ghost fetus. His presence is not that stable."

The faceless doctor must have other secrets hidden on him, but Chen Ge did not plan to ask for more details. He planned to hand the faceless doctor over to Zhang Ya, and he hoped that through that, Zhang Ya would have a new breakthrough in her power.

“As the scariest presence at the haunted house, Zhang Ya getting stronger will only benefit everyone. Furthermore, she killed the faceless doctor. It’s only fair that she should get the freedom to deal with the doctor.”

Chen Ge was the kind of person who would focus on a single path to the end. Along his journey, he had practically poured all the resources that he had obtained into Zhang Ya. That was why Zhang Ya had been able to morph from a normal Red Specter to a Top Red Specter and then breakthrough to become a Demon God in such a short period of time. Walking out from the sea of blood, Zhang Ya stopped beside Chen Ge. She glanced at the ghost fetus, who had turned into an island, and then moved her eyes to follow Wen Qing, who had been transformed into a giant whale, before her eyes finally fell on Chen Ge.

The resentment and despair that were palpable in her eyes slowly faded away. This time, Zhang Ya did not return directly into Chen Ge’s shadow. She seemed to be touched by the scene before them and stood silently beside Chen Ge to observe it. Both Zhang Ya and the ghost fetus were Demon Gods, but their experiences and lives were completely different.

The ghost fetus had spent his whole life struggling. Everyone feared him as a Demon God until he met Wen Qing, but by then, he had made too many mistakes. His love was like an abyss. Even he did not dare let Wen Qing get too close to him. In comparison, Zhang Ya was much luckier. At the very early part of her ‘life’, she was given the chance to meet Chen Ge. No matter how other people viewed her, in Chen Ge’s eyes, Zhang Ya was always Zhang Ya.

“It’s finally over.” Chen Ge turned to look at Zhang Ya beside him. The female teacher who held out the umbrella for him in the rain from his memory overlapped with the person before him. He raised his hand subconsciously to reach out to touch Zhang Ya’s cold fingers. Zhang Ya did not shy away. She pulled back all her presence. At that moment, she was like a normal person. Chen Ge nudged closer to Zhang Ya. Just as he was about to hold her hand, a man’s excited scream came from behind him.

“Brother! You are still alive! I’ve found your cat! Can you believe it?” Xiao Sun carried the white cat as he raced out of Jin Hwa Apartments Block A. His face was plain with excitement to have been able to survive until now!

He practically flew toward Chen Ge. He did not notice that the Red Specters present had all stayed away from Chen Ge. Even the white cat that was trapped in his embrace was struggling as best he could as Xiao Sun moved toward Chen Ge.

“Do you know how afraid I was earlier? I think I heard the sound of your big sister. I was really worried about you guys...” Xiao Sun held onto the white cat and refused to let go. It was not until he got close to Chen Ge that he realized the woman in the red dress next to Chen Ge was not Wen Qing. “Brother? Where is your sister? The one who has been following you earlier was not her?”

Xiao Sun—who had moved into a demon’s apartment alone, who had voiced his analysis out loud in a crowd of murderers, who had treaded the territory of murderers and madmen in one night—had unlocked a new level of fearlessness.

At that moment, Chen Ge really did not know how to answer. The white cat in Xiao Sun’s embrace had already given up its struggle. The expression on its face seemed to say, Just let me die.

“Well, it’s a long story...” Before Chen Ge could say anything, the presence that Zhang Ya pulled back earlier exploded. The black fog around them was blasted back, and the ground beneath them cracked. But actually, all Zhang Ya did was pull her hair back behind her ears.

Xiao Sun sat down to the ground. It appeared like his soul had left his body. The white cat was convulsing in his arms. Its eyes appeared to be watering.

The Red Specters who had dispersed several hundred meters away were all busy with their own things. Some of them were studying the monsters in the black fog, some were trying to poke through the ghost fetus’ shell, and some were just looking up at the sky.

The water ghost, who was the haunted house’s latest ‘involuntary’ worker, only took a glance this way before he was pulled away by Men Nan. “Well, just pay attention to someone like Xiao Sun, remember to stay away from him. Otherwise, one day, when he’s struck by lightning, even if you’re not caught in the blast, you’ll be covered in his blood.”

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Chen Ge reconstructed the events that transpired and resolved the misunderstanding. Zhang Ya also returned to Chen Ge’s shadow. She had used other people’s powers way too many times and had fought two Demon Gods consecutively, so her body was already at its limit. To kill the faceless doctor, Zhang Ya had paid a lot, but compared to the reward, everything was worth it. Just how scary a Demon God who had swallowed another Demon God would be, Chen Ge did not dare even imagine it. At least he lacked a target for comparison.

“Come on, Xiao Sun.” Chen Ge helped Xiao Sun, whose body was still shaking, up from the ground. “If you are still alive in real life, I feel like I can make use of your luck to scam the insurance company. I will use every penny I have to help you set up a life insurance.”

Xiao Sun’s expression was not that natural. During this moment when he was not himself, the white cat quickly struggled loose from his arms and jumped out to hide behind Chen Ge like it was greatly wronged. All the employees had gathered back together. They stood on the island that was transformed by the ghost fetus and lifted their heads to look at the giant whale that was swimming through the sea of black fog.

Chen Ge tried many methods, but he failed to communicate with Wen Qing. At this moment, even though Wen Qing had acquired all the ghost fetus’ power, untainted by the curses, her consciousness was not strong enough to support it. She was merely acting on instinct for now.

“Looks like she is not going to leave this place.” Chen Ge looked at the giant whale above them and the wings that fluttered behind her.

“If she continues to stay here, what will eventually happen to her?” Even though Xiao Sun had not spent much time with Wen Qing, he could sense that Wen Qing was a good person.

“Have you heard of something called whale fall?” Chen Ge answered as if to himself without turning around. “After a whale dies and sinks down to the depths of the ocean, its body will decay to help provide nutrients to the barren ocean floor.”

“But what does that have to do with her?”

“The giant whale, I believe, will continue to protect this island until the end of her life. When that day arrives, she will collapse on this island formed by the ghost fetus and provide a bit of hope and life to this painful and despairing world.” Chen Ge turned around. With his many employees and Zhang Ya following close behind, he was able to empathize greatly with that feeling. “We should prepare to leave. The sun should be coming up outside the door already.”

The ghost fetus’ four-star trial mission had spanned nine days and nine nights, and it had pushed Chen Ge’s physical body to its limit. His body temperature was far lower than a normal person’s, and he was in a very bad state. Chen Ge had also only just noticed the problem. After Wen Qing turned into a giant whale, Chen Ge became the only living person behind the door, but his body temperature was no different from the ‘people’ around him.

The black fog, the curse, the remaining blood vessels, Chen Ge desperately needed a rest. The employees started to search for the ghost fetus’ door amid the wasteland. The red high heels made use of this time to madly consume the curses that were left behind by the ghost fetus. When the ghost fetus separated the Past’s body, he had given all the pure and beautiful things to Wen Qing while he suffered all the sin on his own. Endless curses that Wen Qing could not support lingered around the island.

A curse was something that even a normal Red Specter would not dare approach; only the red high heel would be able to absorb and use them. Chen Ge had no idea how many curses the ghost fetus had left behind. He only understood that the red high heels, who had swallowed all the ghost fetus’ curses, was now even scarier than Xiao Bu, and this was when she was trying to reign herself in.

“It is surprising that the ultimate winner will be the red high heels. When she completely digests the ghost fetus’ curse, she might be able to breakthrough the limitations of a Red Specter.”

It was not easy to become a Demon God. Chen Ge did not expect the red high heels to break through the barrier so easily. Then again, this kind of thing could not be forced. A journey of a thousand miles would begin with a single step, after all.

After the ghost fetus’ consciousness dissipated, most of the original tenants behind the door had disappeared, but Chen Ge realized something quite interesting; Xiao Sun did not disappear. In fact, other than Xiao Sun, there were some original tenants in the ruins who had survived. Chen Ge predicted that it was because the people who had died in real life probably had their soul transported into this world behind the door by the ghost fetus, and those who were still alive in the real world had their facsimiles created by the ghost fetus based on his own memory behind the door. Thus, they were not real per se.

Inside Jin Hwa Apartments Block A, the elder who was tasked with guarding the first floor and Granny Lee who was abandoned by her son had both disappeared. This was, in a way, good news because at least it meant that they were still alive in the real world, and there was a chance for their tragedy to be

salvaged and their wounds to be healed. Chen Ge and the Red Specter employees herded all the tenants who were lucky enough to survive into the comic. They also found some of the objects left behind by the ghost fetus in the ruins. All of them were surfeited with extremely scary curses. All those objects were handed over to the red high heels to look after. When the curses on them had been fully cleansed, Chen Ge would go and inspect them.

After looking for a full hour, the employees basically had dug three feet into the ground, but they still failed to find the ghost fetus' door. Everyone had gathered around Chen Ge around, and the atmosphere was quite dampened.

"How are we supposed to leave this place without a door?"

"Why would the ghost fetus' door disappear just like that? Theoretically speaking, even if the door pusher is dead, the door will go out of control until a new door pusher appears to take his place."

"We need to calm down." Chen Ge looked at the island that was morphed by the ghost fetus, and he was reminded of Doctor Gao at the underground morgue. At the time, Doctor Gao had also chosen to take on all the sin behind the door. When he made that choice, the door in the underground morgue had been destroyed. That memory was still fresh to Chen Ge. The underground morgue behind the door started to crumble, and it was also the first time he had been given a glimpse of the red city. "When the door pusher chooses to take on the sin behind the door, the door will be destroyed."

"The door is destroyed? How are we supposed to leave this place? Don't tell me, we are forever trapped inside this world of black fog?"

If they were trapped inside the red city, things would not have been so bad. After all, there would be other doors at the red city, and they could use those to return to the real world, but this place was completely surrounded by black fog. Jin Hwa Apartments and Jiu Hong Apartments were like the only island amid a black sea. There was only one door here.

"Don't tell me we have to traverse the black fog to go in search of that red city?" Men Nan grumbled with a bitter face. "I personally do not mind it myself, but can your body go through something like that?"

"It does not matter that the ghost fetus' door has been destroyed. We still have another door with us." Chen Ge removed his shirt to expose the ghastly spider tattoo on his back. He summoned out the tunnel lady's son. "There is a door inside his body. We can return to the real world through that door."

Behind surrounded by multiple Red Specters, the Spider Boy was surprisingly nervous. He was afraid that Chen Ge might suddenly decide to turn on him. To let the boy calm down and earn his trust, Chen Ge found the Tunnel Lady and asked her to help communicate with her son. The Tunnel Lady's son gave Chen Ge a concrete reply. They could indeed leave this place through the door in his body, but once they left, they probably would never be able to come back. The ghost fetus' door had been destroyed, and the only other door was inside the Spider Boy's body. They could leave through it, but it also meant that Wen Qing and the ghost fetus would be left stranded here forever.

Hearing that, Chen Ge once again tried to yell up at the sky to try to transmit his voice, but unfortunately, the whale that Wen Qing had changed into only had animalistic instincts left in her. They hesitated for quite some time on the island before finally deciding to leave. Xiang Nuan and Wen Qing's

story would forever be sealed inside the endless world of the black fog. One day, perhaps someone would find an island filled with blooming flowers amid the sea of despair.

Pulling all the employees except the Spider Boy into the comic, Chen Ge picked up the white cat, gave this world one last glance, and took his parting steps. Black water washed all over his body as he walked through dreamscapes that were constructed by spider webs. It felt like his worlds were turning. When Chen Ge opened his eyes again, he was already inside Eastern Jiujiang's White Dragon Tunnel. After leaving the world behind the door, Chen Ge collapsed directly to the ground. He coughed out a great amount of black blood. His face was deathly pale, and green veins pulsed under his skin. Many thin, black threads crawled toward his heart.

At this dangerous moment, the red high heels materialized beside Chen Ge. The bandages on her body had peeled off a lot, and the curses that covered her body transformed into blood vessels before they travelled to land on Chen Ge's arm. After coughing out several mouthfuls of black fog, a light mist of black fog dissipated from inside Chen Ge's body. It then turned into the shape of nine children. With maximum power shown by the red high heels, it took quite some time before all nine children were taken care of.

"Looks like I spent too long inside the world of the black fog. The ghost fetus must've planted some curse on me when I first entered the door." Chen Ge leaned against the tunnel wall and sat on the ground. He gasped hungrily for air. "Thankfully, the red high heels has inherited most of the ghost fetus' curse, and she was there to help neutralize the curse that was planted on me by the ghost fetus."

The curse had been broken, but Chen Ge's body temperature was still much lower than a normal person's. After this entry into the world of the black fog, his body temperature had sunk to a new low. This appeared to be an irrevocable process.

"Oh well, now is not the time to worry about that. What I need to do now is go and get a good, well-deserved rest." The ghost fetus had sacrificed himself to protect Wen Qing. The sword that dangled over Chen Ge had now been removed. He did not need to worry day in and day out anymore, passing his days in constant fear for his life.

"Zhang Ya did not appear to go into hibernation this time. Even if the people from the cursed hospital come at me, I have confidence that I can make their journey a one-way trip."

Actually, Chen Ge anticipated the people from the cursed hospital coming to find him. With each Red Specter that he took down, the other party's power would be further limited.

"Even though the faceless doctor told me that my parents are dead, if I think about it seriously, if my parents are really dead, the cursed hospital would not have sent their weakest Demon God to come and recapture the ghost fetus, so the faceless doctor's words cannot be trusted fully. Therefore, what I needed to do next is locate my parents and..." Chen Ge took out the black phone from his pocket. "... get to the bottom of the truth regarding this phone."

After Chen Ge left the world of black fog, the black phone kept vibrating. It appeared like he had received multiple messages at the same time. Sliding open the screen, Chen Ge read through the messages inside the abandoned tunnel.

"Congratulations, Red Specter's Favored, for completing the four-star Trial Mission 'Ghost Fetus'!

“Mission completion rate is eighty percent! Extra reward obtained, The Handbook to Jiujiang’s Psychopaths!

“The Handbook to Jiujiang’s Psychopaths (Unique Item): All the psychopaths, madmen, and murderers that you have encountered will be recorded inside this! How scary this handbook will be is dependent fully on your own life experience.

“Optional mission of the highest difficulty, Salvation, completed! Unlocked unique infrastructure—Jiu Hong Apartments (The World of Black Fog)!

“Jiu Hong Apartments (The largest unique infrastructure in terms of size): The ghost fetus replaced you as the ninth child. Jiu Hong Apartments is a reconstruction of the ghost fetus’ past. It has been watching every single soul that enters the residential area. Will you choose salvation, or will you be dragged further into the abyss by the ghost fetus?”

When Chen Ge read until this point, he paused for a moment. When he completed the highest difficulty quest at the School of the Afterlife, he also obtained a unique infrastructure—The Red Specters’ Art Room. The art room contained thirteen different paintings left behind by thirteen Red Specters. It was a scary place. Now that he had completed the ghost fetus’ mission, he had obtained yet another unique infrastructure. This place was related to the ghost fetus, and the black phone even specifically pointed out that this place was tied to the world of the black fog. These warnings caused Chen Ge to be careful. After all, he had to keep in mind that the ghost fetus was ultimately a Demon God.

“Before I can open the place to the visitors, I will need to go through the scenario to experience it once for myself first for the sake of safety.”

Clicking open the next unread message, Chen Ge continued to read.

“Optional mission, Jiang Ming, completed! Your talent, Ghost Ear, has been greatly improved. Unlocked a new scenario, The Soundless Home.

“Optional mission, Ying Tong, completed! Your talent, Yin Yang Vision, has been greatly improved. Unlocked a new scenario, Spire of Darkness.

“Optional mission, Yu Jian, completed! Zhang Ya’s affection level has increased! Unlocked a new scenario, the Haunted Avenue.

“Optional mission, Wu Sheng, completed! Obtained a unique item, the skin tailor’s Costume! Unlocked a new scenario, Voiceless Small Town.

“Skin Tailor’s Costume: At midnight, you will encounter such a person in the Voiceless Small Town. His whole body is covered in thick fabric. His clothes are sewn together by different fabrics, and they are stuck to his body like his second skin.

“Optional mission, Xiang Nuan, completed! A new life force has been injected into your body. You have been resuscitated by a long-awaited warmth! Unlocked a new scenario, Death Apartment.

“Optional mission, Fang Yu, completed! Unlocked a new scenario, White Orphanage! Other than that, you will receive a hint regarding your own memory! The hint only consists of one paragraph, but it will be immensely important to you.

“Hint of your own memory: When the day comes, should you have to forget everything, what will be the last thing you wish to forget? Hold on fast to it. It will bring you back to find your real self!

“Optional mission, Liu Wen, completed! Unlocked a new scenario, House of Strange Odors.

“Optional mission, Se Xin, completed! Unlocked a new scenario, The Room of My Heart.”

All the children selected by the ghost fetus represented a side mission. The combination of all these scenarios made the real ghost fetus’ scenario. To Chen Ge’s slight surprise, even though he had not done the missions related to Liu Wen and Se Xin, the scenarios represented by the two children had been normally unlocked as well. He was not given any extra rewards for them, though. The rewards for completing a four-star mission were extremely lucrative. Chen Ge was still not yet done reading through the messages.

“Congratulations, Red Specters’ Favored! The ghost fetus’ Trial Mission’s completion rate is at eighty percent!

“Red Specters’ Favored, congratulations for successfully unlocking the four-star scary scenario, Ghost Fetus! The scenario is made up of nine normal scenarios and one hidden scenario! Please inspect them closely before opening them up to the public!

“Warning! You are already in possession of two four-star scenarios. The haunted house will upgrade from a Maze of Terror into a Theme Park of Despair! The expansion will be completed at midnight tomorrow!

“Congratulations Red Specters’ Favored for successfully upgrading your haunted house into a Theme Park of Despair. You will obtain a unique infrastructure—the Door of Salvation!

“Door of Salvation (Extremely rare and one-off unique infrastructure): The most beautiful accident is often hidden in the deepest despair! This Door of Salvation is hidden somewhere inside the Theme Park of Despair! Push it open, and you will understand the true meaning of salvation!”