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are a born demon!'

"'This isn't the result of an anomalous object's effect, but the result of observation and judgment.'
Leon took a small bottle of cheap liquor, prepared in advance, from the shopping bag containing the goat's head. He forced down a large gulp despite the unpleasant stench, activated the [Martyr of the Wine Country] badge, and felt the fear and tension gradually dissipate from his heart. He calmly explained while pressing his hand against the Black Goat's forehead,
"'Senior Emma once told me, no matter the situation, never underestimate the importance of intelligence. Careful observation, calm thinking, and cautious judgment are the reasons why she has been able to stay safe in the Purification Bureau for six years.
"And before I came in, I specifically observed the injuries of those protesting people and found that the hits were directed at places with thicker flesh. This indicated that the Security Department personnel had been instructed to control their strength. The most likely person to have given such instructions, especially after a serious incident when they were probably treated as scapegoats, was the security manager.
"'From there, I realized that although he was part of the Hydro Company, his interests were not entirely aligned with theirs. By attacking the areas he feared and separating his interests from the Hydro Company, we could turn him into our helper.'
'Goodness Never mind all that. Have you already learned to communicate using the soul? You really

*Feeling the thoughts transmitted to his soul through his fingers, the Black Goat felt slightly envious of Leon's 'demon' talent. He couldn't help but retort,*
'You guessed it, didn't you! It's the first time meeting him. How do you know he didn't instruct them to go easy out of compassion? And how do you know what he's afraid of?'
"'If he really had compassion, he wouldn't have personally gotten involved, and he wouldn't have continued to chase and beat those unarmed people even after achieving the goal of driving them away from the entrance.
"'As for what he's afraid of his collar is clean, his pants are well-pressed, and the family photo frame on his desk with a polo stick in the corner suggests he's someone with a stable life, a happy family, and the energy to pursue his hobbies.'
*Recalling the man in the family photo, hugging his wife and child with a warm smile, and those protesters beaten black and blue in the alley, Leon shook his head with a complex expression and continued to conclude,*
"'People like him fear nothing more than the disruption of their peaceful and stable days and the downfall of their social status.
"'So as long as I link the consequences of not cooperating with me to these fears and keep interrupting him, not giving him time to think, he will naturally surrender bit by bit.'

'Damn! Compared to you, I am like a fake demon!'
*Trying to use his not-so-bright mind to think and not finding any obvious flaws, the Black Goat was slightly discouraged, smacking his lips at his uselessness as a demon. Yet soon, he regained his excitement, with a pleading look,*
"'Leon, Leon! When you betray him later, can you bring me along too?
"'Ah, hehe, falling from the stable realm of humans into Hell because of weakness and cowardice that's really interesting! I'm growing to admire you even more!"
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'Why aren't you saying anything?'
*Waiting for a long time without getting a response from Leon, the Black Goat was taken aback, then said in exasperation,*
'You won't go soft because you realized he has a wife and kids too, will you? Damn it! Can you wake up a bit? He's a lackey of the Hydro Company! He has led people to beat those who came to demand compensation!

'Kid! Weren't you thinking of enforcing justice? Then go for it! Once the Hydro Company's issues are investigated, report and betray him ruthlessly!
'Then step on his head with your shoe, with an arrogant face, and tell him why you did it. Next, let him experience what true despair is in the hellish human world!'
'Let's see how things go'
*Shaking his head slightly, Leon sighed and said,*
"'Can't you also see his soul? Though he isn't a good person by nature, the dark side of his soul is not significantly larger than that of an average person; it's generally at the same level and even emits a warmth.
"If it turns out he did many dirty things for the Hydro Company, when the time comes to sell him out, I definitely wouldn't hesitate. But to directly ruin him or even his entire family's lives without even knowing his name seems a bit rash What's the matter?!'
*Seeing a dark flame suddenly surge in the soul vision and feeling the Black Goat's deep-seated desire, Leon was about to inquire further when his mind was suddenly filled with the Black Goat's hysterical scream,*

'My heart! It's my heart!
'Forget about being rash or not! You'd better turn back! Someone in the room we just passed touched my heart!'"