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Chapter 1541 It Is All Nonsense

Seeing Gilbert keep retreating and avoiding his attacks, Kai questioned, "Are you afraid of fighting me?"

"On the contrary, I don't find the need to waste my strength when you're just putting up a final struggle. I can just finish you off once your time is up."

Gilbert did not want to fight Kai anymore. After all, the latter's time was almost up.

"Are you seriously afraid when you're a Top Level Martial Arts Marquis?" Kai provoked.

This time, Gilbert merely scoffed. "It's useless. There's no point provoking me like that. When the time comes, you'll realize all you're saying is nonsense."

Kai's face fell, and he stopped talking. He, too, knew his time was running out, and he could not waste another second.

Right then, his aura exploded, and he charged toward Gilbert, who continued avoiding the attacks with impressive speed.

Gritting his teeth, Kai kept throwing punches at his opponent, but they were all useless.

Gilbert was too fast, making the both of them look like they were just playing a game of tag.

A smirk crept up Gilbert's face. He looked as if he enjoyed the feeling of being pursued.

Noting that, Kai stopped and glanced coldly at Gilbert.

"What's wrong? Are you tired?" Gilbert asked, snickering.

However, Kai said nothing. Only his eyes glinted.

Seeing Kai pausing in his tracks, Gilbert, too, stopped.

What Gilbert saw next was the ground below Kai's feet tremble when the latter raised his hands. Immediately after that, the latter muttered something under his breath.

Rays of light spilled out below Kai's feet.

Suddenly, the scenery changed as if both of them had entered another space.

"Teleportation magecraft..." Gilbert furrowed his brows at what he saw.

At that moment, the draconic essence in Kai glowed, and the blood essence in him bubbled.

The beads of sweat on his forehead evaporated as soon as they fell to the ground.

However, Kai had not mastered the teleportation magecraft. Hence, he could not simply create a space like Fernando.

All he could do at that moment was put in his all and test if he could restrain Gilbert using teleportation magecraft.

Thankfully, Gilbert was trapped in the space, and he felt a strong restraining force around him.

“Let’s see where you’re going to run to now.”

Pausing briefly in his tracks, Kai charged toward Gilbert.

Instead of avoiding this time, Gilbert swung his fist and made numerous fist shadows.

Thump! Thump! Thump!

Both of them moved swiftly, with rays of golden light flickering whenever they collided with each other.

It did not take long for them to part. By the time they did so, there were a shocking number of wounds on Kai’s body.

Kai panted heavily while staring intently at Gilbert.

He noticed that he had made a fundamental error.

Though he had unleashed the teleportation magecraft and successfully restrained Gilbert, Kai had used up a lot of spiritual energy in the process. In the end, he inflicted no serious injuries on Gilbert during the fight.

He knew he could be done for in a couple of minutes if he kept using up his spiritual energy.

Gilbert was not oblivious to the fact as well. Smiling maliciously, he said, “You must’ve used up a lot of energy to activate the teleportation magecraft, right? On top of that, you’re burning your blood essence to improve your cultivation level. Very well. Let’s see how long more you can last.”

“Ah!”

Unwilling to accept defeat, Kai spat out another mouthful of blood essence and charged toward Gilbert with a murderous expression.

With that, Kai exerted all his strength as he punched Gilbert with his golden fists charged with powerful energy.

Similarly, Gilbert fought Kai with all his might without making a single mistake. The former knew Kai was making a last-ditch effort.

After exchanging about ten blows, Gilbert appeared to have only a few minor wounds.

Hopelessness flooded Kai's heart, and he glanced at Gilbert with resentment, panting heavily.

Just then, the scenery gradually changed and reverted to its original state.

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Chapter 1542 Why Did You Not Flee

Meanwhile, Kai's aura was gradually dwindling as it dissipated.

"Ah! Why is this happening? What is going on?" roared Kai with a pained expression.

He had yet to meet his mother and rescue Josephine, who was still suffering. Furthermore, he hadn't even discovered his identity yet.

Am I going to die just like this?

Although he was unwilling to admit defeat, his aura was vanishing rapidly. By the end of it, his body fell to the ground with a loud thump.

He tried to get back up, only to realize he had run out of all strength.

By then, Gilbert stepped forward to stare at Kai apathetically from above.

Just as he predicted, Kai was now at his mercy like a helpless animal.

"You have a lot of magical items with you. I guess I can't get rid of you yet," Gilbert said with a smirk.

Kai remained silent as he continued to try to stand up with all his might.

Even though he had run out of spiritual energy, he was determined to stand up even by his muscle strength alone.

Even if he were to die, he wouldn't die such a lowly death.

However, Gilbert stepped on his head the moment he raised it.

Thump!

Kai's upper body slumped back onto the ground right after he lifted it with much difficulty.

"Cease your struggles. They're pointless. You get to choose a more comfortable way of dying if you hand over all of your magical items now."

Gilbert looked at Kai from above with a condescending smile on his face.

"In your dreams!"

Kai glared at Gilbert menacingly.

Although he knew he was about to die, he wouldn't let Gilbert take anything of his.

"I see. Since you won't hand them over, I shall shatter your skull."

Gilbert raised his leg and slammed it down at Kai's head as he spoke.

Yet, his leg hung mid-air before landing on Kai's head.

He sensed a powerful aura surging in his direction.

Then, he noticed the figure of another person moving toward him from afar.

Even though that person was approaching him at a shockingly fast pace, he couldn't see how the person moved.

His heart skipped a beat as he retracted his leg and stared intently at the figure approaching him.

The man was in traditional garb and seemed rather gentlemanly with his glasses on.

Nonetheless, his overwhelming aura boasted of power. Gilbert's face fell when he realized who that person was.

"Mr. Sanders..."

Gilbert narrowed his eyes.

All the while, Arthur Sanders didn't even spare Gilbert a glance but focused his attention on Kai, who was bruised and bloodied.

"When will you learn to not act on your impulses..."

After that, he waved his arm. As a gentle breeze brushed past Kai's face, he found himself regaining strength and was able to stand up.

"Mr. Sanders..."

Kai was embarrassed while facing Arthur.

"Why did you not flee when you had the chance to? Was it because you were mocked? What could those mockeries do to you anyway? You should be holding yourself back before gaining absolute power. Aiming for the impossible is the same as asking to die! You don't get lucky all the time, nor will someone come to your rescue every time! Do you know how many people are waiting for you? Your life isn't your own. There're a lot of people waiting for you. Do you understand me?"

Despite Arthur's calm expression, his tone was incredibly stern, as if he were a parent lecturing his child.

As Arthur lectured Kai, the latter blushed with his head hung low as if he were a kid who made a mistake.

All the while, Arthur ignored Gilbert, who had been standing beside them, which infuriated the latter.

"I want to kill Kai, and who are you to meddle in my business, Sanders?" yelled Gilbert at Arthur, his face flushed.

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Chapter 1543 Talk Big

It wasn't until then that Arthur turned around slowly to face Gilbert. "You can't kill him."

"Why?" Gilbert was startled.

"Because I've arrived, so you can't kill him," answered Arthur casually.

"Hmph! I didn't stand a chance against you twenty years ago, but things have changed now."

Gilbert's aura surged in an instant.

"I could've killed you twenty years ago, and that stands till this day."

Arthur maintained his composure as he spoke in a nonchalant tone.

Despite his calm manner, he was firm in his attitude.

There was a morose look on Gilbert's face as he grabbed his tiger head sword.

However, Arthur's cool demeanor made his stomach churn with unease, and he couldn't muster up the courage to attack Arthur.

After a few moments, he sheathed his blade.

"I won't kill Kai since you're intent on saving him. It's the Warriors Alliance that wants him dead anyway, so I'm not going to risk facing you off over their request."

With that, he turned and was about to leave.

He didn't hold a grudge against Kai and was merely hired by Zion, so he figured it wasn't worth risking a confrontation with Arthur.

It was all because he wasn't sure if he stood a chance against Arthur.

"Did I give you permission to leave?" asked Arthur.

Gilbert was startled. "What do you want? I said I won't kill him!"

"I will kill you!" Arthur replied firmly.

Gilbert ran that over in his head.

The short sentence made him shudder and faltered backward.

"I'm not afraid of you! Neither of us will come out of this unscathed if a fight breaks out."

Gilbert studied Arthur cautiously while talking.

"The both of us?" Arthur chuckled. "You talk big."

As soon as he said that, his aura changed without warning.

His initial calm facade melted away to reveal one that was full of overwhelming bloodlust. At that moment, he was the embodiment of a savage deity.

The chilly killing intent he exuded shook Kai.

Upon sensing Arthur's surging aura, Gilbert staggered backward uncontrollably.

"Sanders, we have nothing against each other, so you do not need to fight me. As I promised, I will release Kai and will never give him any trouble ever again. Besides, seeing that the martial arts world is already in upheaval, I don't suppose you have a reason to kill me just because I'm a Demonic Cultivator, do you? If you're going to do that, it means your organization is going to have to wipe out half the population in the martial arts world!"

Gilbert begged Arthur for mercy.

"Quit yapping. Let's fight!"

Arthur had made up his mind.

Thus, Gilbert could only let out a roar and swung his tiger head sword around in a series of frenzied motions. His incredible aura surged in waves as he wielded his blade to come at Arthur from various angles.

In the face of such a terrifying assault, all Arthur did was slowly rest a hand behind his back and watch in calmness.

His reaction further infuriated Gilbert.

Flashes of steel could be seen as the tiger head sword cut through thin air with its razor-sharp edge.

Yet, as the blade was swung around, sending shockwaves in Arthur's direction, Arthur merely raised his right hand and gave a light tap mid-air.

It generated a gentle breeze that headed straight for the shockwaves created by the blade.

The horrifying shockwaves dissipated the instant they came into contact with the attack Arthur generated.

There were no earth-shattering shockwaves as an aftermath, nor were there deafening noises.

Gilbert's all-out attack was silently dispersed just like that.

Kai was dumbstruck, for he had never witnessed such power.

Gilbert was also staring wide-eyed upon witnessing what had transpired.

That was his strongest attacking move.

For that to be so easily dispersed, it proved the massive disparity in power level between him and Arthur.

Overwhelmed by terror, Gilbert lost all courage that he previously had while barking at Arthur before that.

All he had in his mind at that instant was to flee.

He knew he would never stand a chance against Arthur.

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Chapter 1544 Different Lineage

"Do you want to escape?" Arthur asked softly, seemingly knowing what Gilbert was thinking.

Gilbert remained silent, but how he was presently reminded him of how Kai was a moment ago.

He had asked Kai the same question a while ago, and now he was in the same situation.

With his teeth clenched, he turned to flee, converging all his martial energy to his feet to push his speed to the limit.

I will escape and never return to Jadeborough. I've been in a dungeon and have not felt the sun on my face for twenty years. Now that I am out, today will definitely not be my last day on earth. I have not enjoyed my time outside yet!

Gilbert was quick and disappeared in a flash, but Arthur did not seem alarmed.

"Are you not going after him?" Kai asked quietly.

"He can run, but he can't hide." Arthur vanished after finishing his sentence.

Kai gaped, slack-jawed.

He had not officially seen Arthur in action before, and now he finally understood why Jadeborough's martial arts world was wary of him.

When Gilbert was a safe distance away, he glanced over his shoulder and blew out a relieved sigh after noticing Arthur was nowhere to be seen behind him.

"F*ck, that was nuts..." He clapped a hand to his chest.

Immediately after exhaling, he felt a gust of wind behind him.

As he looked back, Arthur was already standing behind him. He staggered in shock and almost tripped.

"You have nowhere to go," Arthur stated while crossing his hands behind his back.

Gilbert's eyes were filled with terror when he realized Arthur's legs were not moving, indicating that he was not running but flying. He was actually flying.

Gilbert came to a halt and admitted defeat, falling to his knees before Arthur with a thud.

"Please let me go, Mr. Sanders. I will keep a low profile and never show myself again!" he pleaded.

Arthur looked at him and scoffed, "Save your breath. You must die, or Kai will not be able to regain his abilities."

Gilbert stilled, unable to make sense of what he said. "Kai's blood essence has been completely depleted, and his elixir field is sealed. He is useless now as he has lost his ability to cultivate. Killing me will not get back his abilities."

Arthur shook his head. "Who says one can't recover after depleting one's blood essence? He will be back on his feet after he absorbs your powers."

Gilbert finally understood Arthur wanted Kai to absorb his powers, the powers he had meticulously cultivated for ten years to attain the cultivation level of Top Level Martial Arts Marquis. How could he allow someone to take his powers?

"No!" Gilbert roared at the sky as he concentrated all his martial energy in his hands, ready to fight anyone who would dare take his powers.

Arthur stared at the crazed Gilbert and slapped him viciously, shattering the magecraft he had mustered.

Gilbert did not stand a chance against Arthur, but still, he tried to summon his martial energy to fight back until Arthur grabbed him by the collar and hurled him in the air effortlessly.

All of his martial energy scattered in that split second, unable to be mustered again.

Arthur swiftly returned to Kai after seizing Gilbert.

Kai's perception of Arthur shifted after witnessing him manhandling Gilbert, a Demonic Cultivator, with such ease.

Arthur flung Gilbert in front of him, and Gilbert, who had smugly stepped on Kai's head a moment ago, lay motionless on the ground.

"You will regain your strength after absorbing his powers. Expending your blood essence will still have detrimental side effects even if you have a different lineage than others, so quit doing it in the future," Arthur chastised Kai.

Kai eyed him in curiosity. How did Mr. Sanders know that my lineage was different? Nevertheless, he did not question Arthur out loud.