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The spectators, whether it was the disciples from old Tian's sect or the battalion of the Pigolo Tribe, felt the suffocating pressure of the clash, all sounds ceased to be and the sky seemed to crack . Since this was a Medium-Realm then it was harder to crack space unlike Astria, but it still happened which proves the terrifying of this power .

Fortunately for Fierce Tiger, he was far from the battle and so his troops weren't impacted but all of them felt their legs become weak and were almost forced to prostrate before the divine power of the Gods .

As for the four disciples, which came out of the cave to spectate, they were sent flying a few kilometers before they managed to stop . All of them had bones broken and spat mouthfuls of blood, with pale faces and dirt on their clothes, they looked absolutely miserable .

The worst one of them was the arrogant disciple who had weird hobbies, he was bold enough to drift closer to be able to feel enlightened but he was too rash and was severely wounded from the clash of two godly attacks . With his Immortal Realm, he simply couldn't resist even with his life-saving treasures . The difference between God Realm and Immortal Realm is not something a treasure could accomplish . One had to be as heaven-defying as Lucy, to fuse two opposite attribute and have an extremely powerful physique, and even with that, she couldn't defeat a God and only fight on par with such existence .

A thundering noise swept the area, the earth was literally razed as nearby mountains shattered and what replaced them was deep craters and bottomless holes . The clouds dispersed and winds ragingly howled . The Rune met with the gray fog which created a buzzing sound and all the surrounding nature was disintegrated as it couldn't handle such force .

One was like a pair of godly hands descending from the sky and the other resembled a formless, transparent soaring tiger that wanted to break from its mortality . The two attacks created even more devastation, old Tian's face became incredibly pale resembling an old man on the brink of death, it was a white a sheet of paper, devoid of blood . Arthur wasn't any better too, he didn't think that the rune was this powerful, he was forced to retreat a hundred meters and blood leaked out of his lips .

Unlike old Tian, who sacrificed Blood Essence, he only relied on his skills and his pool of Energy is still not empty . Without reservation, he lifted his hand, forcing the long chains to move along, he directed his hands toward the heaven and unleashed another powerful attack . He didn't wish to use obliterating attacks such as [Rizaki] as it was risky for himself and the captives nearby, his goal was to search for the prince and princess after all .

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Far away from the fight, Vyncent appeared on a mountain peak and stared behind him . Even from such a distance, he could hear the intense booming and the oppressive aura of two gods, he couldn't help but shiver for a second before he regained his wits . He touched his chest in a daze for sometime before he managed to force away the fearful thoughts and continued fleeing . His body entered the earth and his

speed was increased to its maximum potential, he even used precious pills to recover Nether Energy as to cross the longest distance with the fastest speed and shortest time .

"Father was right when he said that geniuses are not worth a coin unless they ventured to the outside world . Compared to prodigies or whatnot, existences such as him are the true geniuses!"

Although Vyncent wasn't sure on the age of Arthur, he was at least sure that wasn't that old, it was not only because of his appearance . But also due to his behavior, any old God who lived countless ages would rarely be enraged easily or kill left and right without caring about the consequences, there is also the matter of him helping people from the lower-Realm, this must be he was from there too, or so thought the young Vyncent .

The ancient rune started blurring and its mighty pressure lessened by more than half, but the situation of the mysterious gray fog wasn't any better either, its state was more terrible than the rune, only a bit of it was left, the volume of a single human finger yet it couldn't still face such an earth-shattering rune formed by an ancient treasure!

Arthur wasn't going to just stay still, unlike old Tian, he didn't need to control an attack that he had already thrown, after all, it wasn't a treasure .

The attack he used right now was like a finisher to distinguish this rune, an enormous fireball with a crown on its head appeared, it had devil-like expression and was smirking evilly! It the was the fruit of barely fusing the Dark Magic and Ancient Flames .

The Sensor Detonator had a destructive ability that had no match, so one this big could literally destroy all the nearby mountains along with the captives .

Obviously, this was not Arthur's goal but he already had a plan in his mind . He controlled the detonator and slowly, it moved toward the rune, which was half its size . From afar, this detonator looked like an orange floating ball, it had no presence but people could see the world of flames through its transparent body, this only gave them chills and a foreboding sense of danger!

"Do not think that you could kill me with this!"

Seeing the detonator, old Tian's face turned uglier, he spat another two golden drops of blood which merged with paper . Instantly, the rune, which seemed about to fade at any moment expanded in size and the ancient pressure strengthened once again, becoming terrifying .

Fierce Tiger, who was at the peak of the Immortal Realm, couldn't help but tremble when he felt this ancient aura, he ordered his troops to retreat even further, however, his eyes were locked onto the fight, not willing to miss any detail . It would be wrong to say he wasn't afraid, he had long since sent a message to the headquarters, after all, this was not a small matter . But even without sending it, such powerful attack and godly presences, it would be impossible to not be felt by Ti Eru and the rest .

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The rune and the detonator clashed at last but what was shocking was that the strange fireball opened its humongous mouth and gulped the rune in one fell swoop . Even old Tian, who had countless strange

occurrences was left flabbergasted, he lost his link with the rune and spat a large mouthful of blood . Floating mid-air his body seemed on the verge of collapse .

Unknown to him, the detonator was but a feint, a bait to cover the real attack . Inside the mouth of the detonator was a spatial passage, which, in itself hid thousands of small void mouths, which were able to devour the heaven and earth if the cultivator was strong enough .

Facing many enemies, Arthur knew that an experienced god-like Tian would recognize the rare Void attribute and would try to become defensive, probably even using the rune to defend and that would limit his chances so he trying to hide it with two layers .

From the look on the old man's face, his plan was pretty successful but this was only the first step .

His body blurred as he used his movement technique and within seconds he already appeared before the trembling old Tian . With chains crackling, Arthur slowly performed a punching posture, green light emanated from his slowly descending fist .

Due to the process of his attacks compared to a God's reactions, Tian turned to glare at Arthur with a completely maddened expression and raging eyes, he roared and tried to rip Arthur to shreds . His hands showed a faint golden brilliant and a deep 'moooooo' sound similar to an Ox's resonated in this area, which became a bottomless dark ravine with no end in sight, it probably spanned hundreds of kilometers .

Alas, the struggle of the old man was anything but successful, his body was heavily struck as Arthur's punch was unstoppable . With an iron physique, matchless strength and more than thirty physical passives activated, it is no wonder Arthur's punch was able to send a God flying .

Bones creaking and shattering could be heard from afar as the old man flew across the skies and fell into the bottomless ravine . Arthur didn't let chance be wasted, a sharp three meters long dark spear appeared in his hands, he lifted his hand high-up in the sky and threw the spear with all his might .

Without needing any explanation, the spear which had an unstoppable momentum thanks to Arthur's throw traveled with fast speed and the big distance between the old man and he was crossed in the time it took a person to blink . A dark shadow flew across the sky and descended, it easily tore the old man's golden armor and tore open his flash, crushing his chest and creating a gory and gaping hole . The old man was almost torn into two halves .

However, except its powerful penetrating power, Dark Magic was similar to Arthur, it could corrupt whatever it touched, like an evil energy!

Since old Tian was struck with the spear, he could never escape unless he used a heavenly medicine and even with that it would still be difficult . Arthur's control over Dark Magic is flawless, with remnants of it inside this God, he now had total control over his fate .

Pinned down by invisible threads that appeared out of nowhere, the God was dragged below, where he faced Arthur, who was calmly standing in front of him .

Arthur's clothes were already tattered and covered in blood, but apart from that, he was totally fine . His wounds quickly recovered and except the loss of Mental Power due to the usage of forbidden skills, he didn't lose anything that is irreparable . It could be considered a perfect win .

"My sect will never let you go! They will haunt you down and take revenge for me!"

After boldly stating that Tian surprisingly didn't curse Arthur or angrily mock him, he didn't even beg for his life . He did something that shocked Arthur for a second . After he finished that sentence, he killed himself on the spot, destroying his Dantian and severing his heart and brain .

"Such a waste, a living God is still a good experimental subject . "

Arthur threw Tian's body in his storage to possess him later and directed his gaze at the far away battalion, he sighed and then looked to the opposite direction, where his Sense caught the presence of four individuals . To be more precise, four Immortals with one being heavily injured .

With a cold smirk, Arthur disappeared as his figure turned white then blurred, his speed was extremely fast as he traveled a long distance with but a step . Obviously, he wouldn't let such fat sheep go, they were still precious stats for him, even a mortal is still worth possessing unless a complicated situation arises .

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It wasn't a hard mission, to begin with, just to hone the skills of their disciples and let them explore the world but it ended up with a God, who was an elder from their sect, to perish at the hands of a mysterious man .

The arrogant disciple who was reckless enough to stand close to the fight was now heavily wounded, his arrogant aura had long since disappeared . Currently, he was being helped by the two twins but his wounds wouldn't recover even with pills, he was literally on the verge of dying, the blow was too serious . Even the female, who was usually had a calm nature had a terrified face, her smile vanished and what replaced it was complete fear!

They didn't even think about bringing the captives, the four of them used a Spirit Boat and stormed out of this place, once they saw elder Tian die at the hands of the man, all of their faces froze and their eyes widened .

Unfortunately for them, just as the Spirit Boat crossed a small distance, a terrifying presence covered it whole and petrified the four of them .

"Mmmm, the young are courageous! From the looks of it, you never heard of this?"

Arthur appeared on board of the Spirit Boat, which stopped flying . A complex net of lightning enveloped the boat and became similar to a cage, no matter how the boat banged on it, it couldn't penetrate through it or even shake it .

With gaping mouths and shivering bodies, they stared at Arthur, who was friendly smiling at them . But how could they not be afraid! This man just killed Tian, who was a supreme existence to them and an elder of their sect . Even if they joined forces there is no way they can defeat him, or even escape!

"S-senior, please spare us!"

The older one of the twins spoke with a shaky voice, from the desperate expression on his face, you could guess it took him a lot of courage to utter those words .

"Y-yes . . . please senior, what he said . . . "

The younger brother followed but his voice was even worse than his brother . Arthur couldn't help but laugh as he saw their fearful attitude . Contrary to them, the female seemed to have remembered something, the fear was still shown to her but it wasn't like a second ago, as if she regained a bit of confidence .

She tried to suppress the fear and proudly said

"We are disciples of the Golden Earth Sect . Senior, please show mercy and the sect shall forget about today's matter!"

Although she was begging him for mercy, her tone was different . It seemed more like a threat than someone begging for his life .

Seeing this wonderful spectacle, Arthur released a bashful smile, he showed his row of white teeth and pointed his finger at the female, then without any warning . The female's body convulsed and lifelessly fell on the floor . Her eyes showed belief, unwillingness, and terror, till the last second, she couldn't still believe she died just like that .

"I do not like people who threaten me . "

Seeing the female die on the spot, without even knowing how she died, the twins almost pissed their pants from fright . Fortunately, they didn't dare boast or say unwise words in front of the man .

As for the injured youth, he stared at the female's dead body then struggled to point at Arthur whilst angrily uttering

"Y-you . . . our sect won't let this matter go! You will be tort-"

'poof'

Just like the female, the youth didn't even finish talking before his inclined body fell on the floor, lifeless . To this very second, the twins still didn't know how they died but they didn't dare ask, the fear reached its limit and even breathing became harder .

"For what reasons do you need the captives?"

Arthur didn't waste time chitchatting about pointless things . Although he was still carrying that peaceful smile and the ethereal state, this only added to the horror the twins were feeling . The older one didn't dare answer late, he spouted everything he knew without reservation or care if it was a secret or not .

"I-it's actually a mission from our sect e-every year some disciples are ss-sent to bring out people from the l-lower realms to nurture the good seeds . . . "

Arthur contemplated for a bit then added

"What about the bad seeds?"

"Ah?"

The older brother was dumbfounded for an unknown reason but he soon snapped out of his daze when Arthur whistled playfully, his body trembled and he resumed

"M-most of them are turned into s-servants "

With one hand on his chin, Arthur sat on air and pondered for a minute before he clapped his hands with a satisfied expression and added

"Good job on the truthful answers!"

Seeing he was in a somewhat good mood, the older one urged his brother and they both bowed towards Arthur respectfully and said emotionally

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"Thank you for sparing our humble lives!"

Knowing that they did well to not oppose him and act arrogant, the twins were happy and the immense fear dissipated, however, such thing didn't last for long . The atmosphere on the deck of the Spirit Boat suddenly became extremely chilly . Killing intent that almost suffocated them and a cold presence that made their spines numb, which was followed by a voice akin to the devil's

"I never said that I'll spare you, though . "

As his words finished, the bodies of twins fell lifelessly on the deck, without even being able to retort or utter the last cry . They died miserably, just like their comrades .

"Anyone who hinders my goals is nothing but enemies that should be killed . An insignificant ant today can still trouble tomorrow . Always kill until the last one, isn't that right, Lucy "

Arthur lamented with a sad expression . He sighed and gathered the corpses then scavenged their possessions . With another wave of his hand, the Spirit Boat was also collected . Although it cannot be compared to the one he bought from the Underworld, he still had to use this one as the other one was given to Lucy .

There was no meaning to linger there any longer so Arthur flew back to where the captives were . Unfortunately, he didn't find any familiar person amongst them, which disappointed them a bit . Although they were powerless in such a world, he was never a savior .

Facing a short-haired female who seemed to be their leader, he brought her away from rest which led her to become uneasy and a bit afraid, her unyielding attitude was shaken a bit as she faced this unknown man . She still tried to maintain a calm expression, however, her body betrayed her as it shivered nonstop .

They didn't know the whole situation but they were able to guess that since the disciples and the old man didn't come back then this gray-haired man dealt with them .

For weak people like them, it didn't matter who was in charge of them, their miserable fate won't change .

"You do not have to be afraid, I'm not lusting over you nor am I going to do anything to you . "

The short-haired female really was scared when she was facing such an existence, even his words were not helpful . Arthur could only sigh and take out a few scriptures from his storage whilst saying

"You are weak, that is an undebatable fact but your fate is in your hands and all I can give you is a helping hand, whether you can grasp this chance depends on your will . The world is large and the universe is vast but maybe there will come a time when we will meet again if fate it allows it . "

With that, he summoned a strong Death Knight and cut his connection with it after he ordered it to follow the girl's orders . With that, he didn't wait for the girl to respond before he departed . He didn't mind leaving a few techniques for them, he didn't need them and although he wasn't willing to take them with him, he still wanted to have a leeway because he was sure that Lucy would have done the same .

As his feet stepped across the skies and crossed thousands of kilometers in seconds, Arthur was lost in a long chain of thoughts, reminiscing about his happy yet short memories with Lucy . They have been separated for a short time but for him, it felt like an eternity .

'We are separated by the heavens, but our bond is not something the river of time or the will of fate can break! Anyone who stands on the path leading to you will be massacred, even if it was the whole world!'

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When he interrogated Vyncent last time, Arthur knew that the disciples from his sect were supposed to get people from all the three powers and the female he killed on the Spirit Boat was probably the one who was sent to the Naga Tribe . This made his trip to their territory pointless and a complete waste of time .

With this in mind, he was more or less sure that the prince and his sister are most likely not in this world, or at least, not in this barren land . He had nothing to do here so it was time for him to cross the wall of Yang Fire, however, before that, he had to pay a visit to a certain someone .

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Dark Desert City is a large city situated at the center of the three factions, no one was controlling it but all three powers had some experts stationed here to observe the movements of their enemies . Some small-scale fights would occur but nothing too major, especially inside the city as it is forbidden fight or else the city lord guards will execute them on the spot .

If one were to talk about who has the most authority inside the city, then it would definitely be the city lord, Kang Amitel . He broke through to the God Realm since a long time ago and no one from the factions leaders dares to provoke him .

Kang is an unfathomable character, he didn't fight over power in this land and merely ruled this city peacefully . He rarely showed himself and let his children take care of the city affairs . Only when a big crisis befalls on the city would he show himself to solve the matter .

There was even a time that two generals, one from the Naga and one from the Pigolo dared to fight inside the city but it only ended up with both of their heads hanged of the city gates as a warning for the two factions . What's even more astonishing is that the Naga Tribe and the Pigolos remained silent and didn't dare to fight or demand a compensation .

When Arthur entered the city, he saw a people from the three races and even numerous human cultivators on the streets . There was no fighting like he saw outside and the atmosphere was a bit lively .

The city wasn't overly big, it only spanned a few miles but it had an amazing and unique architecture that made it stand out in this wasteland . It was like a paradise to those weak or rogue cultivators who can't handle themselves outside due to the ferocious beasts lurking under the barren earth .

Only a Heavenly Realm or above can roam freely in this wasteland and in some forbidden areas, even Immortals wouldn't dare to boast about crossing these terrifying places .

Currently, Arthur was possessing the body of a middle-aged woman . She wasn't a godly beauty but she had a special mature aura around her that made her approachable, adding the ethereal state that he has, the woman was like a peaceful angel strolling around the city .

Many young human cultivators coming from different sects outside of the wall tried to talk to Arthur but were friendly rejected . There were some persistent ones but after suffering from the glares of the rest . Arthur's goal in coming here was only to look for a certain someone so he didn't linger there much longer . He paid no heed to the shops selling expensive treasure and went around countless alleyways until he reached a deserted narrow street . He gazed at the wall at the end of the street and smirked before his figure blurred and he teleported, instantly appearing behind that seemingly old wall which actually had a special formation engraved on it .

For Arthur, with the appraisal skill, nothing could escape his eyes . Along with his black lightning, passing through or shattering it is no big deal, especially when it is not that strong to begin with .

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Gutcha, with a black and torn cloak covering his face, was talking with another man with a low voice in a room devoid of light . The two were quite secretive as they didn't even dare raise their voices, especially the man who was facing Gutcha .

After talking for a while, the man received a box from Gutcha and left after looking around cautiously . His actions were that of a professional, he disappeared from the room without leaving any trace, like a ghost .

Gutcha was also going to leave when he sensed a presence suddenly pop behind him . His first thought was to run for his life but he was immobilized before he could react . Without no way to escape, Gutcha had no choice but try to talk his way out of it

"Please frien--no, benefactor! I did nothing illegal, I can tell you whatever you want if you let me go!"

Seeing the hideous pigolo begging as soon as they met, the female softly chuckled and sat on a chair opposite to Gutcha, who was still freaking out and blabbering a lot of nonsense in the hope of fleeing .

"I see that you still haven't changed your methods . "

Seeing the mysterious female finally talk, Gutcha was a bit relieved that the enemy was willing to negotiate but also confused because she talked as if she knew him but he was absolutely sure that he never saw her in his entire life .

Seeing her smile, Gutcha shivered and after wracking his brain for a few minutes, he seemed to have realized something and said

"Y-you . . . so it's Sir! I couldn't recognize you at first . . . you look different"

Gutcha has seen Arthur somehow control other people and with his sudden appearances in front of him time and time again, he pieced this and that together and knew who the woman is . Although he had a wretched character, he never provokes powerful enemies and he never encountered this woman so it wasn't that hard to discover who her identity really was .

"At least you are a bit smart . Now let's get down to the proper business, what did you discover, I want every single detail, understood?"

Arthur smiled and showed the row of beautiful white teeth of the female . She wasn't an extreme beauty but the mature charm she emitted was special .

"A-ah, yes yes about your instructions . . . forgive me but I couldn't find what you wanted, a proper spatial master, however, there were a lot of rumors circulating outside of the walls about a terrifying existence which could control Space! I personally don't think it is true as there is a lot of similar rumors, they are just people inventing lies to earn some money!"

Arthur stared at Gutcha with a serious look which made the latter more uneasy, he stuttered and paused for a few seconds before he gulped some saliva and resumed

"T-there is also some good information I found recently! Although it cost me a heavy price, I'm certain that the Ancestral Tomb of the Kang Family is opening soon!"

"Ancestral Tomb?"

"Ah! You don't know about it . . . it's the tomb where the ancestor of the city lord is buried . It opens once every few hundred years and a lot of experts usually come here to enter which is why there is a large number of human cultivators visiting the city . City lord Kang knows that he can't oppose all those factions and bring a disaster to his family so declared that the tomb is free for all those who can enter it . Although he didn't publicly declare that, all those strong powers know his intentions . "

Gutcha gasped for a few breaths when he finished speaking, he glanced at Arthur, waiting for his reply .

The female silently sat on the chair with a pondering look, after a good amount of time passed, she raised her head to look at the hideous face of Gutcha and said

"What is there inside the tomb? Was the Kang ancestor a spatial master?"

Gutcha shook his head with a disappointed expression and explained

"The Kang Ancestor was a terrifying existence that came from outside of the wall, he established this city and since then no one dared to oppose it! He left countless treasures and if one is lucky enough, they may even obtain the Physique manual he left, the Jade Water Physique! Oh and there is also the possibility of finding a space-related treasure!"

Gutcha spoke with an excited tone as he drooled over the manual . Not only him but every cultivator would want a physique manual . There are special people who are born with a unique physique like Lucy for example . Physique manuals allow those with a normal physique to train and become that specific physique . Of course, it requires enough talent and a lot of preservation and hard work, but it is still doable which is why a lot of people want to covet it, even ancient heritages and powerful factions would declare war over a physique manual if it is a good one that is .

Physiques are divided into many ranks and the Jade Water Physique is considered a Soldier Physique .

From low to high the ranks are; Soldier physique, General Physique, King Physique, Emperor Physique, and God Physique .

There are also branches of physique: Void branch has Spatial Physique, Time Physique, and Eternal Physique . Yin Branch has Evil Physique, Pure Yin Physique, Misty Physique . Each of these sub-branch physiques also have their own sub-branches and in total there is one hundred and eight physique .

The Jade Water is only a Soldier Physique and a sub-category of the Water Physique but it still has a lot of potential and can show extraordinary power if it is trained to perfection!

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Although the Jade Water Physique is only Soldier-ranked when it is trained to perfection, one can slay Gods easily but to achieve such a feat would require a lot of effort and a very long time .

Passive skills which increase the power of the physical body cannot be ranked along side of special physique since they are a completely different system and even if they are levelled to the maximum level, they are not as powerful as physiques, which is why Gutcha was excited when he was talking about the Jade Water Physique, he was completely drooling over it but he knew his own capabilities and he was certain that he won't be able to obtain it but if his current boss, Arthur, joins in then there may be a small possibility of acquiring it .

Gutcha kept talking about the benefits of the Jade Water Physique until he was motioned to stop by Arthur, who was not interested at all, which made the poor monster dejected as he was that his boss didn't even bat an eye when hearing about such a strong manual!

Although the effort to obtain such a manual is worthwhile, even for Arthur, it is not enough to make him go out of his way to waste precious time finding something that will not be useful in finding Lucy .

If it was a manual that had to do with Space Magic, then he would slaughter his way there until he gets it, so for him, the Jade Water Physique wasn't as appealing as a strong Spatial Master .

"Enough of this gibberish about the manual, you didn't find anything related to Spatial Masters?"

Spatial Masters are those who are proficient in using Space Magic, not only do they have to be born with a strong affinity towards such a rare attribute, they also must have sufficient talent which is why they are extremely scarce even in a medium-Realm such as this one .

Gutcha hesitated for a bit and forced his greedy thoughts out of the way then resumed

"Y-yeah . . about that matter, I found some clues and heard some minor rumors but I'm not too sure how much of them can we believe . I obtained from a source of mine that the Water Cloud Sect elders

invited a Spatial Master a few months ago and that he may be coming when the tomb is opening . The manual can help their branch rise in status so they are quite optimistic about it . However, many great powers have come to the city to covet the treasures . Apart from the manual, it is said that there are many treasures and artifacts inside the tomb . "

Arthur listened attentively to Gutcha and only focused on the part where he mentioned the Spatial Master, whatever the great powers want to do have nothing to do with him .

"How powerful is this Spatial Master?"

Gutcha's ugly showed a fearful expression as he lowered his voice and said

"About this . . . I'm sure he is a God but there is no information about his Grade but many speculate he is a Peak Small God . "

Cultivators who reached the God Realm are usually divided into three types . Small Gods, Adult Gods, and Peak God . Small Gods are ones in the first three grades, Adult Gods are those between the fourth and sixth Grades and Peak Gods are those in the last three grades .

Delia, for example, is a Peak God but to reach the next Realm, it won't be as simple as passing through Grades . Even when passing through Grades in the God Realm, it is very difficult which is why every advance in Grade for Gods is a huge boost to their power .

"Instead of all that useless talking, you should've just told me this . When is the tomb opening? And where is the Spatial Master right now?"

Gutcha ugly face twisted and seemed as if he swallowed a fly, he knew how Arthur was but to ignore such a precious opportunity with strength like his didn't sit quite right with the Pigolo but he didn't dare retort as he knew how merciless Arthur was . Nothing is more important than his little life, after all .

"The Spatial Master will come to aid the sect's elder and the juniors, as for when he'll come, it'll probably be a few days before the tomb open . The tomb is scheduled to open in two weeks at most . The date is not precise but you'll surely notice its opening if you're inside the city or around its surrounding areas . "

After he finished speaking, Gutcha remained silent whilst glancing at Arthur .

"Very informative, you have done well . At least better than I expected you to do . "

The female stood up and nodded at Gutcha, from her look, she was about to leave but stopped when she saw Gutcha's expectant look .

"What? If you have something to say then spit it out . "

Albeit what he heard, Gutcha still hesitated and only spoke when the female glared at him impatiently .

"T-this servant had gone around asking everyone and I e-xpended a lot of my resources Boss is magnificent and kind to have allowed me to live! I'm forever grateful but . . . "

Before he could finish, Gutcha was interrupted by Arthur's laughter

"Hahaha, less ass-licking and more hard work . Now get to the point, what to do you want? I do not like wasting time . "

Nodding his head in approval, Gutcha said

"Yes yes, Boss is wise! I require a bit of income . . . just a little bit for me to find a shelter and to buy food as to not die from starvation!"

Hearing him aggravating his situation as if he was on the verge of death, the female laughed and threw a ring to Gutcha before disappearing from the dark room .

After a few minutes, there was only the happy roar of Gutcha who kept saying 'I struck it rich!'

Although Arthur didn't like Gutcha at first, he didn't expect him to find so much information so quickly and albeit his strange attitude and extreme fear of death, he was quite hard working when his life was on the line . Furthermore, he had a big quantity of treasures and Spirit Red Stones so he handed him a bit but of course, that little bit was considered an extravagant amount for poor lil'Gutcha .

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After talking with Gutcha, Arthur departed from that secret room and returned back to an inn he just happened to book a room in it a bit ago . In fact, he can just live anywhere he wants with the countless bodies and their unique abilities . Sleeping whilst merging with the earth is really simple but since he was initially human before coming to Astria, he preferred living normally, at least for now .

Although he didn't pick an extravagant inn, he noticed that a lot of humans came to Black Desert City .

There were many young cultivators along with one or two old men acting as their protectors . Arthur paid no heed to them and returned his room . He didn't have anything important to do besides cultivating but he put that matter to the side and entered the ARK . Although whilst he is using the rest mode the time flows almost like the reality, he didn't use it often . In fact, he wanted a thing like stopping time completely like when he competing against the white no faced people but that deprives him of his powers and stats so he couldn't train thoroughly which only leaves him with the rest mode .

Arthur's ultimate goal is a perfect mastery of Spatial Magic so he could create a Spatial Tunnel to Earth . There are four methods to achieve that . First is to possess an expert in Space Magic, second is to find an already built tunnel to Earth and this is rather unlikely since he never heard of aliens visiting Earth .

The third method is the easiest one of them, it requires him to train his Space Magic to the desired level . That is doable if he concentrated only on Space Magic but even with his stats and Race, it would take some time for that to happen . At the very least a few months if not longer .

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As for the last method, it is the one which is has a very low percentage of happening . The use of an artifact or a treasure capable of teleporting him there . He already rampaged through his storage and there is no such item there .

Arthur also thought of going back to the Underworld then going to the same green Spatial Fluctuation, but he was almost sure that he won't be able to find it . He had a hunch that such a special fluctuation would only happen once every few years if not more .

Void, as one of the main attributes, has many sub-attributes like the Spatial Attribute, for example .

Arthur has a few space-related skills but compared to the Void Magic, it is far weaker which is why he doesn't use them at all . Void devours everything, but it can also do many other things, it's just that Arthur isn't able to use them as he hasn't comprehended them yet, his understanding of this attribute is still at the beginning .

With a Race such as his, Arthur doesn't actually need to cultivate or train his skills, not even comprehend profound techniques . It is certainly a blessing but a curse at the same time . From the accumulated talent he gained from all this possessing, he could be considered matchless in terms of aptitude, cultivation speed and so on .

But one thing that has never changed is his comprehension, or more precisely, the ability to become enlightened and strengthen one's techniques or perhaps even leap in Grades .

Geniuses in this age are countless and among them, there are those who could even create their own technique when they still at a very low-Realm . Obviously, those techniques won't be perfect from the beginning as they will grow along with their creators .

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Sitting inside the endless white-space, Arthur gazed at the emptiness and spoke

"ARK, do you know how I can gain mastery in Spatial Magic?"

After he asked, he waited a few minutes but he heard no response . Despite not hearing an answer, Arthur asked a few more questions and seemed like a madman blabbering alone . After a while of this, he finally gave up .

He gently sighed and stared at the emptiness one final time before leaving the ARK .

However, what he didn't know was that after his disappearance, the man who resembled him exactly appeared and stared at the spot where Arthur was sitting while mumbling

"This is exactly why being a parasite is a heaven at first but hell later . Borrowed power will always be borrowed *sigh*"

just as he appeared, he vanished again without any sound . The only thing left was the rotating cube, seemingly never going to stop spinning for all eternity .

Arthur slept soundlessly after he left the ARK . With infinite Stamina or Cultivators who became ascended to the Divine Realm, they could spend years without sleep, it is simply nothing to be mentioned . But there are rare people who prefer sleeping, however, such people are exceedingly rare .

Most would spend their time cultivating or meditating to calm their minds and clear their hearts . As he didn't sleep in a long time, Arthur didn't expect much and only wanted to close his eyes and rest for a bit

. However, something strange occurred as he was sleeping, he dreamt about incomprehensible things . The dream felt real yet his vision was blurry .

He was certain that he had a similar dream in the past, he was in a vast green land with bloomed flowers and a clear blue sky . To the north was a forest with thick tall trees but what was strange is when he tried looking at his hands in this realistic dream, he found them to be very blurry as if a white fog was enveloping them .

As he looked behind him, he saw a small wooden hut and a garden with a few sunflowers, making the scene even more beautiful and breathtaking . It was too peaceful and gave him warmth and a sense of belonging .

As his eyes were enjoying this extremely realistic and beautiful scene, a slender figure left the hut carrying something in her hands . Although he couldn't exactly see her facial features, Arthur knew for sure that it was Lucy . She had a long silky silver hair that was mesmerizing when the sun rays landed on it and made it look shiny . She walked towards him and carried an infant who was laughing cutely .

Unfortunately, this dream didn't last long as his vision blackened before she managed to get closer to him and he returned to the inn room . Much to his surprise, he was sweating a bit which is not something that should happen with a Stamina like his .

It would be a lie to say he wasn't curious about this dream as it is the second time that it happened, but he had no clues and it was not the right time to dwell on it . Arthur quickly cleaned himself and possessed the body of a young man around the age of twenty, he wore simple clothes . He hid the long chains well so the others couldn't see them and left the room .

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Having nothing special to do until the opening of the Ancestral Tomb, Arthur simply went downstairs to eat . He could pass all his time cultivating but he wasn't that dedicated to cultivating . In the first place, he only yearned for absolute power to be able to protect his family and friends but even with such a cheat Race, he is alone right now with his wife and daughter in another plane and the Human Emperor, who could be considered his friend, is not dead .

The inn he was staying in wasn't famous yet despite that fact, the restaurant was still bustling with people, mostly humans .

Without minding them a glance, Arthur picked a random empty table and sat, he ordered a few dishes and simply sat there waiting .

"Hey, have you heard about who's coming? It's freaking Kai Min is personally coming this time!"

A person from a group of young men exclaimed as they debating about something in a table near Arthur . One of the young men near the one who just spoke innocently spoke with confusion

"Senior brother, w-who's Kai Min?"

His face was flushed red as everybody started laughing at him . One burly man next to him slammed his back roughly as he roared with laughed and said

"Hahahahaha this is why young ones should venture into the world more often! As for Kai Min . . . he's the young genius of the Water Cloud Sect . It is rumored that he reached the Immortal Realm at the age of twenty! This is an amazing feat!"

As the burly man proudly announced, a girl sitting at the same table at him snorted and retorted

"Bah! Kai Min is nothing compared to Shu Ru! A devilish prodigy across all eons! Hmpf, Kai Min is only trash compared to her!"

When this name was mentioned, the burly man stopped laughing and scratched his bald head with an embarrassed expression but he didn't continue boasting because what the young girl said was indeed true .

The young man who was embarrassed earlier sat there with a dazed expression, although he didn't know Kai Min, he certainly knew Shu Ru as her name resounded in every corner of this world!

The young man hesitated for a second before asking again

"W-will Shu Ru come?"

The rest stared at him for a few seconds before they burst out laughing again, the burly man even had tears in his eyes .

"Hahahahha, junior brother your ambitions sure are high! Not to mention you, even Kai Min is barely qualified to speak with her, as for us commoners, we can only watch from a distance and appreciate her sight! Hahahaha!"

The young man's face became redder, he dropped his head and didn't dare utter another single word .

A lot of similar topics were heard by Arthur in the restaurant . He savored the delicious dishes as he listened here and there but he wasn't that much interested . Genius young humans or whatnot, this doesn't concern him, neither does the tomb, his goal is the Spatial Master and it wouldn't be easy either . Such a master would be guarded and even if he wasn't, his power would certainly not be weak, adding to the fact that he is a God, his Spatial Control would be troublesome to deal with and even the special talismans of Zodiak may not be helpful in such situations .

. . . .

As he enjoyed his leisurely time, Arthur heard a few names being repeated by the excited juniors coming from a lot of outside factions . Most of them mentioned Kai Min as he was personally coming this time . There was also a few mentions of Shu Ru who was a supreme genius of the Mirage Era Hall but since she wasn't coming, they didn't talk a lot about her . There was also the Flame Crown Prince who hails from Five Phoenix Kingdom, and the Sacred Priest from the Holy Academy .

Arthur kept ordering more dishes and enjoyed them to the fullest, as he was in the midst of flavoring the last dish, a person entered the restaurant . Normally, such a thing wouldn't attract much attention as people kept going in and out but when this person entered . Everyone held their breaths as all their gazes were locked onto this person .

With a tall stature and an extremely chilling aura coupled with thick murderous intent unleashed in all directions . It brought creeps and fear to all those who felt it . Some even unconsciously shivered and didn't dare talk .

"W-why is she here . . . "

"Shhh!!"

The group from earlier were also silent, the laughing stopped and they all threw countless glances to the figure who entered the restaurant .

"S-she also came . . . this will definitely not end up good!"

The burly bald man stared at the girl who entered the restaurant with a mix of fear and uneasiness . The girl had long black hair and wore tight black leather clothes from head to toe, only showing her face, she also had a cloth similar to a robe covering her body but it was obvious to see that she had a perfect body . With an expressionless face peerless in this world and soul-shaking eyes, it was without a doubt a kingdom-toppling beauty . Unfortunately, no one did approach her or complimented her as her beauty was over-shadowed with the cold aura and murderous intent emitting from her, her eyes were chilling and she seemed as cold as an ice, indifferent to everything!

"I-It's Cold Sword!"

One of the present people murmured with a very low voice, afraid of the girl hearing him . Everyone felt uncomfortable and didn't say anything rash lest they anger her and suffer harsh consequences .

Jian Si, also known as Cold Sword, is a famous character on the other side of the wall . She comes from Mountain Ba Sword Sect and is known for her notoriety, she is extremely ruthless and embraces the path of killing . The Sword Dao has countless paths and the murdering path is but one of them . By killing more with ones' sword, they became stronger but more ruthless, however, if one isn't prepared or strong enough, they can be devoured by their murderous intent and the sword will become the master .

Many talented individuals challenged her but they all ended up dead .

Cold Sword is a very ruthless and cold person which is why none cared about her beauty albeit the fact that she is basically one of the top beauties of the Green-Leaf-Middle-Realm .

As silence ruled over this restaurant, the only thing that could be heard in this awkward atmosphere is a chewing coming from a corner of the restaurant .

As all gazes landed on the young man who was leisurely eating his food without a care in the world . Although they wanted to beat him up for acting like that, none dared to move and only cursed him thousands of times, of course, there were also those who stared at him with dagger eyes .

Coincidentally, in this not-so-big restaurant, the customers were afraid that the Cold Sword would sit close to them so some sat on two chairs at once and some hid them .

In a split second, all chairs were either taken or disappeared which left Cold Sword standing in the middle of the room, gazing around for a seat . She didn't seem to mind their behavior and merely searched for an empty place . However, from the point of view of these young juniors, it seemed as if she was looking for a prey to hunt .

Soon enough, she marched towards the young man who was sitting and sat in the seat opposite of him, which happened to be the only available seat .

Speaking of Arthur, he threw a quick glance at the girl before continuing to eat his food, he didn't even pause for a split second . With the system, he was able to see her real Cultivation and despite her unique aura, he wasn't the least bit affected . In fact, such aura is quite comfortable for him as he can emit too thanks to the Blood Magic, Dark Magic, and several others skills but he chose not do as it would attract unwanted attention and cause endless troubles which he hasn't the time for .

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As Arthur continued eating, Cold Sword sat in front of him, her eyes were glued to the several dishes spread out on the table . She still had an expressionless face but was obvious that she was interested in tasting them .

Actually, Jian Si may have followed the path of the murdering sword, however, it doesn't me that she cut off all her human emotions . In fact, she was extremely fond of eating delicious dishes . She would always travel around and taste everything that she couldn't recognize . This habit has become too extreme as she would also taste unique fruits that she found in secret places and she almost died due to this strong urge to taste them .

Although those were dangerous actions, her constitution benefited greatly as her body became more and more immune to poisonous plants and evil Energy .

After enjoying the good view in front of her . She glanced at the waiter who didn't get too close to her and said with a cold and impatient voice

"One ball of rice . "

The waiter didn't dare to linger there and hastily left to prepare the order . Eventually, a small ball of white rice which contained an insignificant amount of Nether Energy was presented in front of her and in just two gulps, she finished it but from her deep frown, it was obvious that she wasn't the least bit satisfied .

Her eyes went back to the several dishes in front of her and that only added to her hunger . A person of her status would surely have a big fortune, however, due to some unfortunate events, on her way here she encountered a dangerous beast and almost ended up losing her life . Although she survived, she lost her ring and didn't bother looking for it .

The ring had a lot of life-saving treasures and a lot of Spirit Stones but for her, only her sword mattered so she didn't think much about it until now that is .

As the saying goes 'there is no medicine for regret' .

As carefree as ever, Arthur savored his dishes until only a few were left and his appetite was almost full . Just when he was about to grab a huge roasted leg of an unknown beast, a slender white hand was faster than him as it grabbed the fat piece of meat and was about to devour it .

Although she was a step before him that didn't stop Arthur from instantaneously grabbing the meat from her retrieving hand in a flash and taking a huge bite whilst saying

"Hands off! What are you thinking? To try and rob my food in broad daylight! Shameless . . . "

His sudden outburst scared the guests and they all had a gaping mouth and surprised eyes .

"H-he's crazy!!"

"Oh dear! He's provoking her, this is bad "

"It's a shame . . . he's so young yet his ignorance led him to his death! There's no escaping from an angry Cold Sword!"

Some lamented about his behavior that will lead to trouble and others enjoyed seeing his demise .

"What did you say?"

She coldly glared at him and retorted, from her tone it was clear that she was angry .

"What? Am I speaking an unknown language or are you deaf?"

Arthur then pointed at his food then did an 'X' mark with his fingers, then he pointed at the food then at himself, as if he was explaining to a deaf person . His action only added oil to the fire as the chilling aura of Jian Si increased, her eyes were like daggers, prepared to slice him into countless pieces .

Arthur continued eating whilst throwing a couple of glances at her as if he was afraid she would try to steal again . He even brought the dishes closer to him .

Cold Sword remained silent, she kept glaring at him and after some time, she managed to calm down and speak again .

"I, I just wanted to taste it . "

With a half roasted leg in his mouth, Arthur looked at her and sarcastically said

"Ha! Does it look like I'm running a charity here? If you want to taste something then order it! I'm not distributing dishes to others neither am I kind enough to give you my precious, hard-earned food!"

Arthur's behavior is drastically different from his real one is due to possessing a new body so it doesn't matter how he acts and also because he felt like teasing her and see what she'll do . He wasn't afraid of her and neither did he fear the consequences of his current attitude . Moreover, it was her fault for trying to steal his food .

Of course, he can give her all of the food and still order but she tried to rob before even asking for his permission so he changed his idea about giving her some .

First, he felt a bit of pity when she saw her longing look towards the food, but it didn't even a couple of minutes before he changed his opinion about her .

The calm Jian Si once again became infuriated but she didn't dare cause a big ruckus . She restrained herself and added

"I don't have enough money on me right now . Let me taste some and I'll owe a favor . "

The crowd was even more surprised as they heard this . They didn't think it'll turn out like this, they had long since heard of Jian Si's love for food but they didn't know it was to the degree that she'll accept such humiliation just to get a bite . She even told him that she'll owe him a favor .

One has to know that having a character like her owe you a favor is a big matter . Her future is limitless and she is bound to become a strong and influential figure in the near future so her owing a favor to him is like having a heaven's blessing . People like her would never go back on their words and their favors are worth gold!

With food in his mouth, the young man stared at her as if he was staring at a dumb person and said

"No money? Bah! What about that pretty sword you have there? It's surely worth enough for you to fill your stomach!"

Cold Sword did indeed have a sword on her back . She wrapped it in a black cloth and always wore it on her back to increase her intimacy with it . In fact, all sword practitioners would usually do that as it sharpens their Sword Energy .

Jian Si felt conflicted and angry, she always was feared by most people and none dared to talk to her like that for fear of being killed, so when she was bombarded like this, she couldn't find the right words to retort, however, it was evident that with her arrogant nature, she can't swallow this humiliation .

"Hmpf! I'll owe you a favor so no need to be stingy with a bit of food!"

Just as she finished talking, her hands grabbed another piece of meat and threw it in her mouth without waiting for a reply from the young man .

Unfortunately, she couldn't even enjoy the meat as the food disappeared again and appeared in his hands again . He stared at her with disgust and spoke

"Bah! I don't need your favor . You can dream about eating my food!"

Having the piece of meat 'stolen' from her again enraged her even further as she stood up and glared at him angrily, she was ready to pounce on him in any given second .

The young man leisurely finished all the dishes under her piercing glare and licked his fingers whilst saying

"What? You're angry because you didn't get to taste it? So what! Bite me!"

With that, Arthur put a few Red Spirit Stones on the table and sat up to leave, totally ignoring Jian Si .

All the onlookers were astonished by his overbearing attitude . No one has ever dared to talk to Cold Sword like that and even if they did, they were already killed by her without mercy .

They all knew that this young man is dead for sure after what he said, there is no escaping this time even if he had ten lives!

Without minding the gazes of the crowd, Arthur left the restaurant and didn't bother with the girl who was still staring at him with eyes full of anger .

Cold Sword didn't linger there either, she soon left the restaurant right after he did . Once she left, the guests relaxed and breathed a sigh of relief, although they weren't directly confronting her, they still felt fearful . Some even felt admiration for Arthur, who had enough courage to talk back to her like that .

To all of you who are thinking if he is always gonna behave like that, I'll say no, it'll only happen sometimes to lighten the mood or if he is acting purposely to fit his character or maybe to fool others . Don't forget, he's not using his real appearance so he can act however he sees fit .

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Arthur had a destination in mind when he left the restaurant . He heard about a certain Kang Treasury house which is a well-known shop that sells treasures, artifacts, and weapons . Many humans visit in once they come to Dark Desert City as it is rumored that it has many secret techniques and high ranked weapons .

Secret Techniques have different kinds, some use lifespan to grant the user a boost of power or speed, and others are life-saving measures which can protect their users from certain death . Such techniques are extremely rare and once they show up, a lot of people covet it and fight for it .

In a way, secret techniques are similar to Physique Manuals, however, there are only one-hundred and eight physique manuals altogether, as for secret techniques, there are probably way more than that .

For example, Anastassia inherited a secret technique from her master and although she tried to give it to Arthur and Lucy so they can learn it, they both declined as it didn't really suit them .

With Arthur's high Dexterity and his Sixth Sense, it didn't take long before he discovered that a certain person was following him . Obviously, it can only be Jian Si, who still couldn't let go of what happened earlier .

As he leisurely walked in the city bustling street, Arthur made a sudden turn into a narrow alley where there's a dead-end and turned around .

His figure completely vanished and you can no longer sense his presence, even a God would necessarily not be able to discover his location .

A few seconds quietly passed before a dark shadow appeared out of nowhere . With thick killing intent emanating from her and a chilling gaze, she looked around the narrow alley but to her surprise, she found nothing suspicious . She was totally surprised because she was an expert in tracking yet his presence suddenly vanished and no matter how she tried, she couldn't locate him .

She walked to the end of the alley and touched the wall, trying to sense anything out of place but to no avail .

Just as she was going to leave the alley, Jian Si heard a clapping sound so she hastily turned around only to find a young-man clapping his hands and smirking at her with an annoying expression that made her remember the previous humiliation .

"I have to say, you are pretty good at tracking people . Unfortunately, you met me . "

Arthur stopped clapping and put his hands behind his back before continuing

"Now speak, what do you want from me? Is it revenge? Or perhaps sneak attack me? If that is what you want then I advise you to attack right now as it is your last chance . "

He walked closer to her until they were separated by merely three meters then he spread out his hands as if he was welcoming her attacks with no resistance .

His actions and words infuriated the girl even further, she was arrogant by nature and such kinds of people would rarely resort to sneak attacks or tracking but it was indeed true that she was forced to do that as she couldn't contain her anger .

"I'm here to challenge you!"

While pointing her sword wrapped in cloth at him, she yelled that sentence while unleashing more of her suffocating killing intent .

"Ah! I have to say, in terms of intensity, your killing intent is surely one of the thickest and strongest I have ever seen but it's unfortunately not the strongest one . "

In terms of killing intent, Bucama's was without a match, the sheer bloodthirst and savagery he emanated are beyond what could be described in words .

Arthur looked at her up and down as if checking her out and then resumed

"As for you challenge . . . bah! I don't have the time nor do I want to exert such effort to fight you . Not everyone is as free as you are, and even if I was free, I would still not waste my time with fighting you . Ha! A little girl who was angry because of a small matter wants to fight to wash away her humiliation please! This is more pathetic than it is sad . Get off your high horse and learn to act properly then you can challenge people . "

He didn't leave her the time to reply before his figure vanished from her sight, leaving her dumbfounded and full of anger . She could not let out her anger and even with her abilities, she knew she wasn't able to track him . Although she was proud and strong with a high cultivation, she still couldn't see through him which made her hesitate in attacking him immediately .

After a bit of time passed, she coldly snorted and disappeared from the alley just the same way she appeared .

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The Kang Treasury House was located on the South-Western part of the city . It was a fifty-meter long building made from unknown black stone which emitted dazzling radiances when the sun rays land on it . The building itself exuded a majestic aura that drew the attention of every passerby .

Arthur stared at the building for a while before he entered it . The interior was just as beautiful and extravagant as the exterior . There were a lot of customers inside this broad room . Treasures and weapons were displayed on separate tables with their price tags were just under them .

Arthur just wanted to check this place since there are a lot of treasures and perhaps he can find something related to Space Magic .

In Zodiak's notes, there are a few mentions about a certain item that contains a humongous amount of Spatial Power and the user can open a Dimensional portal to a specified location . This item is called 'Dimensional Stone' .

He didn't pay much heed to the treasures and directly went to the counter to ask the receptionist there .

With his normal attire and average appearance, Arthur didn't look like a rich young master but despite that, the receptionist was still courteous and wasn't contemptuous .

"Hello Sir, how can I help you?"

Arthur nodded his head approvingly and replied

"I was wondering if you have any Space oriented Items, the stronger the better and the price doesn't matter either . "

The smiling receptionist paused for a split second before he spoke with a bit of hesitation and uncertainty

"This . . . Sir, we do indeed have what you seek, but not on this floor . Please wait for a second, I'll go consult my superior . "

The receptionist knew that this average looking young man wasn't ordinary . Not everybody would not care about the price and despite his humble appearance, the receptionist knew that this must be an expert so he didn't take things into his hands and decided to go to his superiors for guidance .

The Kang Treasury House only had two floors open for customers . Usually, all customers linger in the first floor as the second one is only for special figures such as Elders from large sects or tribe leaders . Basically, not everyone can enter the second floor as status mattered a lot, after all, the items there are rare and expensive, so not anyone can see them or buy them .

Very soon, the receptionist came back accompanied by a middle-aged man with a thick black beard . The middle-aged man sized up Arthur but he didn't hide the disdain in his eyes . Contrary to the receptionist, he didn't think Arthur was an expert and could not help but look at down at him .

The middle-aged man clasped his hands in greeting and presented three items in front of Arthur .

"Sir, these three are all Space oriented items that we currently have, please check them . "

He pushed three boxes in front of Arthur and patiently waited but truthfully, he wasn't optimistic about selling them as although they weren't very expensive, their price is not something anyone can afford .

Arthur opened the three boxes without sparing a glance at the price tags and appraised the items .

Spatial Devouring Hook (3rd Grade Mystic Rank): +1,200,000 Strength / +140,000 Agility .

Special Skill: (Space Grab): Use The hook's tip to grab a target from a certain distance, cannot be disrupted unless a force stronger than this one is unleashed .

Cryptic Space Bracelet(2nd Grade Mystic Rank): +460,000 Wisdom .

Space Control: Makes the user more adept at using Space Magic (+5% control) .

As for the last one, it was pretty useless so Arthur didn't even bother with it . Even those two were not up to his standards and it would be waste of his Spirit Stones to buy them . He put them back in the boxes and said to the middle-aged man

"These are not enough, do you have anything else? Stronger if possible . As I said, price doesn't matter . "

Once he heard Arthur say that, the disdain in the man's eyes grew stronger . He was sure that Arthur isn't able to afford them which is why he is making such excuses .

Albeit what he was thinking, he showed a smile and replied

"Sorry Sir, these are the only Space-oriented items we have on sale . Please excuse our inefficiency . "

Although he sounded quite sincere, nothing could escape Arthur's eyes but he didn't express his thoughts . He smiled back and added

"What about the second floor, can I go check the items there?"

The middle-aged man shook his head with a sorry look and replied

"Sorry Sir, the second floor is eligible only for certain people and not everyone can enter . "

Hearing this, Arthur sneered to himself and thought

'As I thought, wherever it is, status always matter . Oh well, they can only blame themselves . . . '

With that, he didn't bother staying there any longer and headed out of the buildings . As he was about to leave, a couple entered the building . One was a charming woman with a curvy body and alluring looks and the other was a young man with a red hair .

The woman was holding onto the young man's arm seductively, as for the red-haired youth, he was smiling at the beauty, seemingly pretty satisfied .

When the middle-aged man saw them, he hastily went to greet them personally and led them to the second floor without hesitation . The onlookers were pretty jealous of such treatment but none was courageous enough to voice out their displeased thoughts .

As for Arthur, he left the building and stared at the entrance with a mischievous and evil smile

'As I said, you cannot blame me for what's about to happen . You brought this upon yourselves, there is nothing I seek yet I cannot obtain!'

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Arthur left the Kang Treasury House and drifted away from some distance before he took a turn towards an alley and disappeared . He stored the young man's body and made use of his Racial abilities and the Nature Magic to possess a small green sprout, almost insignificant in size to the point of not being

noticeable even by an expert unless they try to inspect it . However, who in the world would try to sense a sprout of feel wary of it, it's nonsense .

The building wasn't far away from where Arthur disappeared, he merged with the earth and almost instantly appeared inside the perimeter of the building . Because it belonged to the Kang Family and it's not far away from the main castle, there wasn't any protective formation that is laid around it which made it easy for Arthur to sneak inside .

With a non-humanoid body such as this, along with the use of [Steath Max Lv] and the suppressing of his aura, it was easy to pass unnoticeably unless a 7th Grade God or above went out of his way to sense all the building . Arthur's assassination and sneaking skills could be peerless . Unless he purposely lets himself be discovered, there's no way people will find about his presence .

In one jump, the sprout which was still merged with the ground appeared on the second floor of the building . With the help of his map and [Eyes of The Noble Sea], he was able to determine how many people were there and if there laid a trap or an array of some kind .

Fortunately, there were no traps on the second floor, however, on the third floor there seemed to be a blue formation . Countless blue electric lines intertwined and the overall view resembled a huge net enveloping the whole floor .

The map showed Arthur four extra people excluding himself . First was the middle-aged man who talked to him earlier along with the young couple who were welcomed by the man . As for the last person, Arthur didn't have a clue but he had a small guess . Furthermore, he was here to steal and not to fight, whether it's an expert or another customer, it was none of his business .

"Young master Elo, it's a pleasure to have you visit us . "

The middle-aged man maintained a very respectable attitude as he talked with the young man and showed him multiple precious treasures . In response, the red-haired youth would only nod in approval but he didn't speak a single word .

"Dear, I like this necklace . "

The young woman hugging his arm coquettishly said as her eyes were glued to a necklace with an exorbitant price . It didn't have an effect suitable for its price but the reason it was this absurdly expensive was due to the rare flashy materials that were used in its crafting .

The middle-aged man was clever as he took out the necklace and handed it to the woman so she can try it . As for the young man, he nodded his head again and said

"Wrap this up for me, we'll take it since you took a liking to it . "

The woman's face turned even happier, she kissed him on the cheeks and said

"Thank, dear!"

'Tsk! Fake love . . . as apparent as the sun itself yet he doesn't realize it . One is blinded by beauty and the other is thirsty for treasures, looks, and appearance . After all, no matter where you are, the story still flows the same way, same people, and same actions . . . '

Watching from the sidelines, Arthur looked at the trio while remaining silent but he sure as hell didn't have a good opinion about the woman . It's a pity for the young man too who hasn't realized she is using him, or perhaps he does know it but still enjoys having a beauty in his arms .

Either way, Arthur knew that no matter what happens, the outcome will more or less be the same . If he doesn't leave her soon, he'll be the ones left when someone with more power and status than him takes her in his side, the same repeating cycle .

After taking the necklace, the youth bought a few more things, whether it was beautiful rings or rare materials . Whatever that he found interesting was bought from him .

He had a big pocket and wasn't afraid of emptying it from the looks of it . As for Arthur, he silently inspected all the items on this floor but was depressed when he found that there were no space-oriented treasures that can be useful to him . His attention soon shifted to the third floor, which had that huge lightning net .

He then glanced at the red-haired youth and smirked . The youth was named Elo Huo, he was the cousin of the Flame Crown Prince so his status is considered pretty high . Whoever offends him is like offending the prince himself and that will only end with a disaster to whoever dared to offend such a big behemoth .

Arthur patiently waited half an hour until the duo finally stopped shopping . They left the second floor with a satisfied look, especially the woman who couldn't stop himself from smiling as he brought her multiple flashy treasures .

When Arthur ascertained that they were on the first floor, he used teleported on the same floor as them and as he was merged with the floor and with a completely covered presence, he unleashed a very small scale Rizaki . He wanted to use Rinotsu, the original skill but it can only be used with Wind Attribute or else the power would be really small . Rizaki was the last choice . He wished for destruction and precisely with fire . He didn't use his ancient flames but normal fire while adding to its intensity .

Rizaki's power could be considered unrivaled under the God Realm, its destructive power is even deadly for its own user so one could imagine what would happen .

Even when he used it in the Underworld, the chaos it caused is unbelievable as Gods and Immortals were left speechless . So it was without a doubt that if he unleashed one in here without preparation, not only could he die, he can obliterate the whole city along with its citizens .

Due to that, whilst the couple was shopping, he slowly began to activate a Flame Rizaki but a very, very small scale one . In fact, he only put around ten-thousand Intelligence points which is less than 0 . 1% of his total intelligence .

When the time was deemed to be perfect by Arthur, just when the red-haired youth stepped on the first floor, the skill was unleashed and a deafening explosion that freaked everyone inside the building was released .

The reason Arthur used the youth was because he had to infiltrate the third floor . He was certain that with the use of the black lightning, he can crack the formation and enter but that'll alarm whoever is residing on that floor and he would be discovered pretty quickly .

So, he had to create a loud enough commotion to force whoever is inside to leave, even for a few seconds as that is more than enough for Arthur to do what he wants .

As as a spark of a deep orange flame ignited in the first floor, it was soon followed by a huge explosive noise and a huge mass of flame waves spread in the floor and the building and all earth around it . This explosion alarmed many experts as the guests used protective treasures to defend themselves and others tried fleeing out of this treasure house .

Flames covered the floor and engulfed the floor and walls, some weaker treasures were melted and others self-activated their protective aura to defend against the flames

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Waves after waves of incinerating orange flames washed over the first floor, burning those who couldn't resist yet not completely killing them . This explosion caused a huge ruckus as painful wails resounded . The red-haired youth, Elo Huo was also surprised by this sudden explosion but he wasn't that afraid . He circulated his Nether Energy and conjured a red protective barrier around himself and the woman .

He was a natural flame controller so the flames would deal less with him but that was not the case for the woman . Furthermore, the explosion was not that strong to the point of killing him but he sensed a bit of danger from it which led him to subconsciously protect himself .

A bit of time passed and the flames were finally subdued by the majority of the guests, including Elo Huo . Although none was killed, none could deny the devastating damage it caused to the first floor . The floor became black and the walls turned into ash with only a few treasures making it out intact .

Rizaki is a terrifying skill and even with a bit of intelligence applied to it when activated, if it is coupled with a fierce offensive attribute such as Fire, the consequences could only be as such, if not more .

"Who dares cause trouble in our treasury house!"

A voice accompanied by a thick and pressuring aura rang in the ears of the spectators outside and the guests inside . The arrival of the pressure even changed the red-haired youth relaxed expression to a solemn one . Even someone as powerful as himself felt the overwhelming pressure but despite his arrogance, he wasn't angry, he was a bit wary of such existence .

Soon, they discovered who was the source of this voice and pressure . It was actually a grey-haired old man with a short height and very pale face . He seemed to be on the verge of death and even a bit of wind would shake kill him . He had an inclined spine and seemed like a mortal from a first look, but none did dare to underestimate him as they felt the immense pressure he was emanating .

Seeing the destruction caused by the flames, the old man's expression wasn't pleasant at all, his brows were furrowed and the pressure he was emitting doubled, causing the people inside to become pale .

"None is allowed to leave before the perpetrator is caught! No one can wreck havoc here and escape unnoticed . "

With a God present, even Elo Huo didn't dare act haughtily . He wasn't worried as he was not the one who did it so he only remained silent with a forced smile on his face .

The woman hugging his arm was afraid a bit ago that when she remembered that the youth was next to her, she breathed a sigh of relief and remained mute as well .

No one dared to talk first, they just stood there, waiting to see what the old man will do . Contrary to the questioning most of them were expecting from him, the old man just gazed at the people inside one by one . He would stare at one for a few seconds before switching to another . There were not many people here so he spent a minute to look at them all thoroughly before his gaze paused on Elo Huo . The old man frowned, he seemed to be thinking about something before he started walking towards the youth .

Sensing that he was most likely the prime suspect, Elo Huo started speaking immediately because the old man didn't seem to be the reasonable type and he was probably pretty enraged . After all, this was the Kang's Treasury House and even with the presence of a God, someone dared to launch an attack . For a God protecting this place, this was like a slap in the face and a complete humiliation, and this could only get worse if the culprit doesn't get caught .

"Sir, I think you are misunderstanding something . "

Although he didn't dare to act rashly, the youth still didn't back off, after all, his backing is not small either and is probably more powerful than the Kang family . He still spoke with a tone of respect as it is the Kang's territory, plus, he was talking to a God, who was also a Senior .

"What misunderstanding! Boy! All the evidence lead to you . You are the strongest and the only suspectable to cause such an attack, moreover, you strong affinity with fire proves that! You'll go back with me so you can be properly punished and if you resist then . . . death!"

The God didn't seem he was going to let Elo Huo off, which angered the latter but he was helpless too so he could only give up for now and wait for the elders who came with him to get him out of this mess .

The old man was just about to bind Elo Huo with his aura when his body suddenly froze . He seemed to have suddenly thought of a crazy idea and fearful idea .

"Not good!"

The old man muttered those words before he sped off to the third floor and in an instant, he was already standing inside of it . The formation laid here was still working, since it was connected with him, if it was destroyed then he would know it immediately .

Although it was still intact, all the colors on the old man's face disappeared, his face turned white and his body started shaking . The third floor was smaller than the first two and had lesser treasures but all the ones on here were priceless and unique . However, the sight on the third floor right now was a shock to everyone, including the old God . Thoroughly and completely scavaged with not even a spec of dust left! These are the words that can describe the current state of the third floor . It was an empty room with nothing but a lone short figure of the God standing in the center of it .

An angry roar came out from the third floor, the building shook intensely and even Elo Huo stumbled a couple of steps due to the pressure . The roar's origin was obviously the old man, who was infuriated .

"Little rat! Don't think you can hide!"

The old man's figure flashed by the first floor as he left the building and started surveying the street and scanning everyone . The passers-by were stupefied by the appearance of a God and none dared to act strangely lest they raise suspicions over themselves .

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A few kilometers away from the Kang Treasury House, a youth was leisurely walking down a shopping street with a relaxed look . He was eating a red apple and happily smiling as he walked down the street and scanned a few shops every now and then . Such a youth with common clothes was like any other person so none paid attention to him, he couldn't be more normal than this .

Arthur laughed inside as he thought about how smoothly the plan went . His calculations were a bit off as the old man took triple the time he estimated to find out about the explosion and its real purpose .

This led him to have more than enough time to sweep through everything and leisurely leave, unnoticed, of course . The blue lightning net was indeed strong but it was breakable if he used the black lightning, however, he didn't break it and merely tore a small crack, barely three inches to the green sprout (the body he was possessing) could pass through . From then on, the work was pretty much done, he took everything in sight and soundlessly left . The whole process barely took fifteen seconds . By the time the old man rushed to the third floor, Arthur was already inside another body and a few kilometers away from the scene .

'Ahhh I guess there is no fairness in such words but it's not like I require such thing . '

Arthur's actions may be despicable but he didn't care the least bit, he will do anything to achieve his goals . His only taboo is killing innocents, although it is not always possible to save innocent people, he will not reap their lives for his goals when there are other alternatives . As for enemies weak or strong doesn't matter as their end will be the same .

"Hey, Demon . "

As he was leisurely walking around, a deep and threatening voice rang in his ears . It made his body freeze and the chains well-hidden under his clothes shake a bit . To his complete surprise, the voice actually came from his consciousness, precisely from the dense chains wrapping around the enormous knight that Arthur imprisoned temporarily inside him so he can possess him later!