

# The Sacred Ruins

## Chapter 10: Upheaval

Several vines, each as thick as an arm, hung down from the sky, barely visible amidst the fog.

A satellite of great weight and mass had landed on the carriage, tangled up in vines. The vicinity was absolutely quiet—the silence was almost deathly.

This scene before them was quite shocking. This an actual satellite before them, something that should be in space orbiting the earth! How come it's fallen to earth?!

Chu Feng and Zhou Quan felt a chill run down their backs as they involuntarily looked toward the sky once again. What exactly was out there?

“Don't tell me these vines are hanging from the firmament!” Zhou Quan's voice was somewhat hoarse and his expression somewhat ugly.

He could hardly believe or accept what he saw.

Chu Feng was taciturn. He simply walked forward and pulled off the covering vines to get a closer look. He wanted to confirm that it was, indeed, a satellite.

“What's going on?” Zhou Quan was thoroughly puzzled.

Chu Feng was lost in thought. He had no idea what was happening in the outside world. What he knew was that they should leave this area soon.

“Brother, what are you doing?” Zhou Quan returned to his senses and saw Chu Feng pulling on the vines.

“I'm going to climb towards the firmament.” Chu Feng replied.

“You're still in the mood to joke around?!” Fatty Zhou was usually full of smiles and laughter like a Maitreya Buddha but now his face was the picture of worry.

All the changes he'd experienced recently made him quite nervous.

“I want to climb up and take a look.” Chu Feng informed Zhou Quan of his intentions.

“Don’t, it’s too dangerous! This is no heavenly path—do you think you’ll reach the temple of heavens?” Zhou Quan protested. He was concerned about Chu Feng’s safety.

“Don’t worry, I won’t go too high up. I merely want to take a look.” Chu Feng’s powerful physique came into play as he climbed six meters in but a moment.

At this moment, he had disappeared into the mist. Those on the ground could no longer see him due to the horrible visibility.

“Brother, are you alright?” Zhou Quan yelled from below.

“I’m fine!” Chu Feng replied. He continued upwards for dozens of meters before stopping.

“The vines are becoming even thicker. Judging from how vertical they are, I’d say they’re definitely hanging down from the skies above and not from the mountains to the side.” Chu Feng frowned.

This was almost unbelievable—how did something so shocking happen overnight?

He was soon reminded of the news; it was reported that flourishing trees and plants had appeared in outer space and that all of them were species from earth. This gave birth to many notions in his heart.

Chu Feng slid down along the vines, deciding not to take more risk than needed.

“Brother, we should leave this place soon. I don’t think should stick around much longer. I’m feeling quite apprehensive,” said Zhou Quan.

Chu Feng nodded. With the train anchored here and all communications cut off, they would need to find a way out of this place by themselves.

It would be unwise to wait passively in the face of so many uneasy events.

“Oh God, what’s that?” A surprised shout was transmitted from afar.

A few of the stronger youngsters had also climbed onto the train and were all dumbfounded after seeing the satellite.

They were petrified as if they had seen a ghost.

The news was spread quickly and caused a stir among the passengers. Everyone is a panic and couldn’t calm down. They walked out of the carriage amidst a mixture of clamor and sobs.

“Things can easily go wrong here.” Zhou Quan was quite worried.

Things could become chaotic without anyone maintaining order but who here could take up this task at the time? The bewildered train staff were all at a loss what to do.

“Anything new about that ancient?” Chu Feng inquired.

“What’s there to find? He’s already deader than dead. I also heard others say that he might not be an ancient after all; he had a communicator on him,” Zhou Quan replied.

“Eh?” Chu Feng was startled. He had examined the man previously and found that his clothes were not just ancient in appearance but truly possessed the appeal of antiquity.

“Stop thinking too much. Let’s leave!” Zhou Quan convinced him. He didn’t want to stay here any longer.

In truth, some others were also showing signs of activity. Apparently, they also wanted to leave this place.

Chu Feng was pondering about the black dagger in his hand. It was only about 30 centimeters in length but made of an unknown material that was much denser than any metal he knew. This made him quite suspicious.

“Where is the man’s communicator? Let’s see who he had communicated with. This is too odd.”

But unfortunately, Chu Feng’s wishes were never realized because the communicator had long since been lost amidst the chaos.

“Let’s go!”

He decided to set out on the road without delay.

Several groups of people left in succession and headed towards the nearest town, keeping each other company along the way.

Chu Feng and Zhou Quan traveled along the railroad. The fatty was very familiar with this path since he had traveled back and forth many times. According to him, there should be a small town a couple of kilometers past the mountains.

“Who the hell did this? No wonder the train had to stop. How harmful!” Zhou Quan was furious along the way.

They saw an interruption in the railroad after traveling a few kilometers. This was indeed a dangerous situation; it would definitely be disastrous if the train continued driving.

“Something’s not quite right!”

After a certain distance, they found another odd interruption. The defects didn’t seem to be man-made but more as if... something mysterious was going on.

“Did you see? It doesn’t add up!”

Zhou Quan looked closely with a serious expression.

It seemed as if the earth had been stretched apart and its surface area increased. This subsequently ruined the railroad, causing the numerous interruptions to their interconnection.

The two were puzzled and suspicious—how could the earth be stretched?

“Perhaps it was due to the earthquake?” Zhou Quan spoke.

But they never felt any earthquake previously. The bizarre situation was somewhat frightening. There was no way to confirm anything for the moment.

The two were bewildered and felt their blood run cold.

As they proceeded onwards they soon heard, for themselves, the sound of the railroad being torn apart and witnessed the surface of the earth seemingly expanding.

Zhou Quan was dumbfounded—no words came out of his wide-open mouth.

“How ominous!” Finally, he blurted out.

“Let’s go, the land here isn’t stable!” Chu Feng began to speed up.

It was obvious from how he climbed onto the train that Fatty Zhou Quan’s stamina was quite good. Although he was panting, he never once complained that he was tired.

“Eh? There’s no more road?”

A large mountain lay across the railroad ahead and blocked their advance.

The most mysterious part was that the tracks ahead were seemingly pressed underneath this mountain. One could still find parts of the railroad after digging up the earth where it had disappeared.

Not to mention the fatty, even Chu Feng was completely dumbfounded. What situation was this? How did a mountain suddenly fall onto this region?!

“Are you certain there’s a town ahead?” Chu Feng asked.

"I'm quite certain!" Zhou Quan replied. He also swore he'd never seen this mountain before. It was as if the hill had appeared out of nowhere and was pressed down onto the area.

"Well, we've little choice than to climb over it. I doubt we'll arrive at an unknown world!" Zhou Quan spoke.

"Don't let's go around it. It's not very far!" Chu Feng stopped him.

Zhou Quan was somewhat unresigned. He really wanted to investigate where this mountain had come from? How did it appear out of thin air?

"Roar!"

A loud roar shook the whole of the mountainous woods. There were obviously terrifying beasts on this majestic and extraordinary mountain.

"How is this possible? What a terrifying beast roar! There shouldn't be any large wild animals in this region. Where did they come from?" Zhou Quan was inwardly shaken.

Chu Feng pointed at the large mountain and effectively extinguished the fatty's thoughts of climbing it. He duly proceeded to circle around its periphery.

During the process, they heard those terrifying roars several times as well as miserable screams.

"There are people climbing the mountain!" Zhou Quan went pale. They had fortunately avoided it.

Finally, the two successfully reached the other side and continued their journey along the railroad, looking forward to reaching that town.

At the same time, they became increasingly apprehensive along the way because they noticed the distance between the railroad breakages were growing wider and wider as if the earth was expanding constantly.

The original journey of a few kilometers became dozens of kilometers in distance.

But fortunately, they reached the small town safely in the end.

The mist began to disperse at that time but the sun's rays still didn't reach them as if blocked by something.

"There really is something big up there!" Chu Feng's expression suddenly changed as he saw the countless vines hanging down from above. They were all incomparably thick and adorned with exuberant leaves.

It extended across the skies and blotted out the sun.

It wasn't growing like it should on the earth's surface. It appeared as if it was naturally born upon the firmament like something out of a myth.

A gigantic vine blotted out the skies and covered the whole region.

The people from the small town also witnessed this scene after the mist dispersed, sending them all into a panic.

"Run, we've to leave this place quickly!" Zhou Quan roared.

In truth, many were already beginning to run. Several cars began to drive into the distance.

"This doesn't look good, we need to hitch a ride! We might actually die here if we don't take this chance to leave," Chu Feng concluded.

"Hitch?! Let's just rob one!" Zhou Quan roared.

But in the end, they were still able to hitch a ride. A middle-aged uncle took them along as they rushed away from the area and into the distance.

Communicator reception was restored after the mist dispersed. They could now contact those from the outside world.

Chu Feng immediately switched on his communicator to check for other astonishing news.

"Oh God, it seems anomalies had appeared around several famed mountains such as Mount Song, Mount Wangwu, and Mount Luofu. Even the rocks were enshrouded with auspicious purple clouds." Fatty Zhou exclaimed loudly after seeing this news.

So many major incidents had taken place merely after a single night.

"Eh? Someone found an ordinary little tree bearing a silver fruit. After eating it, he... actually grew a pair of wings?!" Zhou Quan was stunned.

"The whole world is facing a great upheaval." Chu Feng felt this strongly after reading through all the news.

