

# A WARRIOR UNDEFEATABLE

## / A Man Like None Other

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4421** – Jared could only smile helplessly before he decided to chase after her.

The two of them each held onto a bit of mystery, which wasn't necessarily a bad thing. After all, they had just met, so it wasn't possible to reveal everything about themselves just yet.

Moreover, Catalina seemed to be of no ordinary standing, and she was certainly not the type to reveal her identity so easily.

While riding the birds, the two picked up much speed, leaving everyone else far behind them.

"Look! What's that?"

Suddenly, Catalina pointed ahead..

In a hurry, Jared followed the direction of her finger. Not far off, a massive black vortex had descended from the sky. Dark clouds gathered densely above it, with lightning continuously striking down, only to disappear into the vortex.

"There's definitely some kind of creature inside that vortex. That looks like lightning tribulation."

Even though Jared couldn't detect it through his spiritual sense, the lightning didn't seem ordinary from a distance. It seemed more like tribulation.

After all, lightning tribulation didn't discriminate based on location. Even if one was in a secret realm, such an event could occur as long as a person or a demon beast was undergoing tribulation.

Hence, it was normal for a lightning tribulation to happen in the Celestial Battlefield.

"Lightning tribulation? Is there someone undergoing tribulation?"

Catalina's face was filled with astoundment.

"It shouldn't be a human being, given how the lightning vanishes as soon as it strikes. It's a little odd."

Jared creased his brows as his expression turned grave.

“Could it be some kind of demon beast, then?” Catalina frowned too. “Master never mentioned anything about this place having...”

Suddenly, the woman realized she had let something slip and promptly shut her mouth.

Jared turned to her. “What did you just say? Something about a master?”

“No, not at all. I was just saying how great it would be if my master were here. Even in the face of formidable beasts, there would be nothing to fear.”

Catalina hastily corrected herself.

Jared shot her a glance. He knew this young lady was definitely hiding something, but he didn't want to pry further.

At that moment, what mattered more was to find out what exactly lay within the heart of that black vortex.

He had planned to get closer to the vortex using the ivory bird. Alas, the creature trembled all over, clearly too terrified to approach. In the end, it landed directly on the ground.

“Let's just go around it. Our powers are suppressed. If that thing turns out to be a demon beast, we won't be able to deal with it,” Catalina suggested upon seeing how Jared was actually trying to get closer.

“Are you scared?” The man glanced at her.

“I'm not scared at all...” Catalina quickly put on a fearless facade when she saw the look on his face.

“In that case, why don't we take a closer look? Who knows, there might be some magical items hidden inside that vortex.”

With that, he headed straight for the black vortex.

Catalina glanced at the rune in her palm and clutched her life-saving token before gritting her teeth and following along.

Just as the two went closer, an unexpected surge of immense power struck, abruptly sending both of them flying backward,

Following that, a figure gradually emerged from the black vortex, with an aura of terrifying lightning power radiating around him.

It was only then Jared and the others recognized it to be a demon beast.

The beast emerged from the vortex, hopping on a single foot. It held two thunder hammers in its hands, and bursts of lightning erupted as the hammers clashed.

“The lightning beast? Could this actually be the legendary lightning beast?”

Catalina couldn't help but cry out in shock upon laying eyes on the bizarre creature.

“D\*mned humans, disrupting my cultivation!” the lightning beast roared as it steadily advanced toward Jared and Catalina.

The surrounding lightning had now trapped them.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4422** – If it were outside, Jared wouldn't have been afraid. After all, he had already obtained lightning nascence. Considering the paltry amount of lightning, he could downright absorb and refine it.

But at that moment, he couldn't unleash any cultivation technique aside from utilizing the strength of his physical body.

As the lightning beast advanced steadily, Catalina stretched her hand out and waved it at the creature incessantly.

She wanted to use the runes on her palm to drive the lightning beast away. Yet, even after several attempts, there was still no response from it.

At the sight of the lightning beast drawing increasingly closer, she was on the verge of tears.

“You tricked me, Master. How could this be?”

Catalina burst into tears.

Jared stared at her. It was at that moment that understanding finally dawned upon him. Ever since Catalina had entered the Celestial Battlefield, she had always remained calm and composed as if she had everything under control.

It turns out that she has already had her path

laid out for her. It looks like her master must have entered the Celestial Battlefield here and shared everything with her. That was why she could remain so calm and composed.

Meanwhile, the appearance of the lightning beast was clearly beyond her expectations!

Jared attempted to unleash his Draconian aura, hoping that it would intimidate the lightning beast and have it cease its attack.

Just as he was about to do so, two beams of white light suddenly burst forth from his Storage Ring.

Subsequently, the little fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer appeared before Jared and Catalina.

They were incredibly small, resembling two lapdogs as they stood in front of the enormous lightning beast.

Nonetheless, they showed no fear at all. Opening their jaws wide, they began to roar.

Their roars struck such fear into the lightning beast that it retreated repeatedly.

In the end, it even surprisingly tripped and fell onto the ground due to its panic.

The electricity that had been sizzling around him also vanished instantly. It lay on the ground motionlessly, staring at the fire unicorn and

Celestial Devourer in terror.

The fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer strutted up to the lightning beast with fearless steps.

Slap! Slap! Slap!

The two of them then jumped right onto its head-and followed up with a series of slaps.

Despite being struck, the lightning beast dared not budge an inch.

At the side, Catalina was utterly dumbfounded as she watched it all.

She had no idea where the fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer that had suddenly appeared came from and how they were so impressive.

Jared was also rendered speechless for a moment as he looked at the two tiny creatures.

It looks like they have become quite familiar with each other in my Storage Ring. That goes doubly for Celestial Devourer. It's always sleeping, but unexpectedly, it also came out today!

After having given the lightning beast a few good slaps, the fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer returned with fearless steps.

On top of that, they even wiggled their behind in front of Jared as if showing off.

Following that, they returned to the Storage Ring once again.

“D\*mn it!”

Jared was momentarily at a loss for words. I seem to have been looked down upon by these two snot-nosed beasts!

Upon seeing the fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer enter Jared's Storage Ring, Catalina finally understood why the ivory Bird was afraid of the man.

It turns out that he has two impressive pets!

She had no idea what a fire unicorn or Celestial Devourer was, so she simply regarded them as Jared's pets.

"Apologies, sir. I was too hasty earlier. Please forgive me."

The lightning beast scrambled to its feet before bowing at Jared continually.

Catalina didn't recognize the fire unicorn or Celestial Devourer, but the same couldn't be said of the lightning beast.

Even if he had infinite guts, he dared not offend someone who could rear those two spiritual beasts.

"It's okay!" Jared waved a hand dismissively, acting all nonchalant even though he had just been scared to death earlier.

"Are you going through tribulation? And have you brought lightning tribulation down?"

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4423** – "I'm merely harnessing lightning tribulation to cultivate and not going through the process exactly."

By then, those who had been lagging at the back caught up to Jared and Catalina. When they saw the lightning beast in front of them both, their faces turned pale.

"A lightning beast? This is a lightning beast?"

Among the crowd, an elderly man recognized the lightning beast and was so frightened that his legs buckled, upon which he collapsed outright.

In Ethereal Realm, the lightning beast was merely a myth. Few had ever laid eyes on it. It was rumored to be incredibly ferocious, capable of summoning tens of thousands of bolts of lightning with a single clash of its twin hammers, reducing everyone in its path to ashes.

The lightning beast swept its gaze over the crowd before turning its gaze to Jared.

"They're all with us," Jared said.

Seeing that, the lightning beast quickly put his twin hammers away and bowed at the crowd. "Don't be afraid, sirs. I won't hurt you all."

Upon hearing its words, everyone finally breathed a sigh of relief.

“Rumors painted the lightning beast as ferocious, but upon meeting one this time, it’s clear that those rumors are false.”

“It seems while the lightning beast may look a bit fierce, it’s friendly in nature.”

“After leaving here this time, if anyone dares to claim that the lightning beast is ferocious, I’ll argue otherwise.”

The cultivators began engaging in an animated discussion upon realizing that the lightning beast posed no threat at all.

Jared merely smiled faintly. If it weren’t for the fact that this lightning beast has been intimidated by the fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer, we would probably be dead under its lightning by now.

“It’ll be Bone Break Cliff ahead if we continue forward from here, right?” Catalina asked the lightning beast.

The lightning beast was stunned for a moment, then nodded in affirmation. “Yes, but how did you know that it’s Bone Break Cliff ahead? Have you been here before?”

Catalina curled her lips and hastily shook her head. “I’ve never been here. I merely heard about it.”

Jared glanced at her, certain that she had either

been there before or heard a detailed account from someone at the very least.

“What is Bone Break Cliff?” Jared asked.

“Bone Break Cliff is just an ordinary cliff,” the lightning beast replied.

“A cliff? It’s a snowfield here: How is there a cliff when there aren’t any mountains?”

Jared was somewhat puzzled.

“Although this place is a snowfield, if you were to continue forward, you would encounter a massive chasm. Bone Break Cliff had not always existed here. It only came into being many years ago when an expert came and engaged in a fierce battle with a Demonic Cultivator that resulted in the snowfield mainland split in half. A chasm formed between the two pieces of land, forming a colossal cliff. Beneath it lay countless skeletal remains, hence its name of Bone Break Cliff,” the lightning beast explained in detail.

“A Demonic Cultivator? There’s even a Demonic Cultivator here?” Jared’s brows furrowed slightly.

This is the Celestial Battlefield. Could someone possibly be still alive after all these years? And who was that expert?

“The Demonic Cultivator was a survivor of the

Celestial Battlefield, but he was ultimately slain. However, a piece of his soul remnant is hidden among the skeletal remains at Bone Break Cliff. The heaven and earth suppression here is the doing of that expert. He restrained the power of any cultivator who entered this place,” the lightning beast divulged.

“Whoa! That expert is that impressive?” Jared was taken aback. He had originally thought that the heaven and earth suppression there was the doing of some supreme being after the formation of the Celestial Battlefield.

Unexpectedly, it turned out to be the doing of an expert who came later. So, there’s such an impressive figure in Ethereal Realm?

When the others heard that it was the Celestial Battlefield there, they were all shocked as well.

They initially thought it was some ancient ruins and entered in hopes of finding magical items within. Had they known it was the Celestial Battlefield, many would have likely stayed away.

After all, the Celestial Battlefield was incredibly perilous, unlike ancient ruins.

Meanwhile, Catalina’s eyes somehow started flickering as she listened to the, lightning beast.

“How do you know so much, then? Did that expert spare you?” she asked.

“Back then, I was merely a snow rat. It was by sheer chance that I got struck by the heavenly thunder that resulted from the fierce battle.

Miraculously, I didn’t die but transformed into a lightning beast instead. At that time, the expert wouldn’t even spare me a glance, let alone lift a hand to kill me,” the lightning beast explained.

After-listening to it all, Catalina fell silent, her gaze fixed intently ahead with solemnity in her eyes.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4424** – At that moment, Catalina found herself in a bit of a predicament because the current turn of things in the Celestial Battlefield had deviated from that which she had previously imagined.

It included the sudden appearance of the lightning beast and the Demonic Cultivator who left a piece of soul remnant behind.

She had no idea about the sum of uncertainties that awaited ahead.

If they continued on, danger was certain to be present.

But if they were to stop and turn back, she was uncertain how to break the news since everyone at the back was following her lead.

You're truly going to be the death of me, Master. Didn't you say you had everything set up for me ages ago?

Deep down, Catalina cursed her master.

However, she couldn't afford to show too much panic right then. She could only feign calmness and say, "Fellow cultivators, proceeding ahead will surely be fraught with danger. If you all are unwilling to take risks any further, we can always turn back the way we came."

She wanted the crowd to make the call for her. If they were to decide against taking any further risks, she could go along with the flow and

head back with them.

Everyone went silent.

They originally thought that it was ancient ruins, but it unexpectedly turned out to be the Celestial Battlefield.

As such, the extent of danger that lay ahead was unknown to them all.

On top of that, there was a soul remnant of a Demonic Cultivator ahead. It was clear that the Demonic Cultivator was powerful, so it was uncertain if they were his match even if it were a mere soul remnant.

But if they were to leave, there might be a multitude of magical items awaiting them ahead.

After all, it was Bone Break Cliff ahead. It was littered with skeletal remains that were essentially immortals and demons who had perished during the Celestial Battle.

All of them were sure to have a few divine weapons and magical items in their possession.

Since they were all dead, the divine weapons and magical items had to be somewhere on the Celestial Battlefield.

At that moment, everyone was in a quandary,

torn between forging ahead and turning back.

"Cloud, Ms. Judith, let's go."

Jared saw right through Catalina. Therefore, he called Cloud and Judith along, after which the few of them proceeded ahead on their own.

"On the Celestial Battlefield such as this, it must be teeming with countless divine weapons and magical items ahead. I wonder if the item pouch I brought is enough. As the saying goes, the bold die of gluttony, while the meek starve. I'd rather risk dying from overindulgence than starve to death," Jared declared loudly as he walked.



“Please take me with you, sir. At the very least, I have some capabilities, and they aren’t suppressed,” the lightning beast pleaded, immediately chasing after the man upon seeing him continue forward.

It had been there for many years yet never dared to venture forward, fearful of the potential dangers that lay ahead.

With Jared’s company then, it felt much safer. After all, the man had a fire unicorn and Celestial Devourer.

Despite their tiny size, the two creatures were surprisingly powerful.

Seeing that the lightning beast intended to

continue forward with Jared, the hesitant crowd immediately followed suit.

“Wait, fellow cultivators! We’re coming with you.”

“Yes, we’re coming too. Even if it means death, we can’t give this opportunity up.”

“We’re going all out. Anyway, we’re already here.”

The cultivators hurriedly chased after Jared, eager to join him.

At that moment, only Catalina was left standing there, staring blankly at the retreating figures of them all.

Right then, she wanted nothing more than to lash out at Jared.

Why is he showing off at a time like this? Had it not been for him, everyone might have simply retraced their steps.

In reality, Jared was also secretly observing Catalina at that moment.

His greatest desire was to have her accompany him as she had those almighty runes in hand.

Moreover, she was familiar with the place and could be of help to a certain extent.

As for the cultivators, their capabilities had already been suppressed, rendering them ordinary people, so having them along was utterly useless.

At the sight of Catalina motionless for a long time, Jared grew somewhat anxious inwardly.

“Wait-up for me. Since everyone is willing to continue forward, I’ll join you all!”

In the end, Catalina gritted her teeth and chased after Jared and the others.

When Jared saw that, the corners of his mouth turned up subtly, and he began chuckling.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4425** – At Bone Break Cliff, everyone stood at the edge, gazing down into the bottomless abyss below.

Despair flooded them all.

Wasn't it said that this cliff is the merging point of two mainlands that resulted in a chasm?

Why is there such a huge discrepancy?

It was pitch black as far as the eye could see. Nothing was visible.

It was as if the entire mainland had been abruptly cut right off there, the darkness ahead the end of it all.

"How... How are we supposed to go down? It's too deep," someone lamented helplessly.

Everyone's strength had been suppressed then, reducing them to mere mortals. Thus, no one would dare jump down directly since they'd surely end up pulverized.

Moreover, no one knew what lay down there. It was an unknown area.

"I can take you guys down there!" the lightning beast interjected at just that moment.

Everyone there had their abilities restrained, with only the lightning beast unaffected.

"That's great! Then, please take us down!" the elderly man among the cultivators exclaimed.

"However, taking so many people down with me would greatly deplete my energy. So..."

The lightning beast's brows furrowed slightly.

"Don't worry. We'll certainly reward you handsomely. Once we find any magical items, we'll share some with you," the elderly man assured quickly, grasping its meaning.

The other cultivators also nodded in agreement, one after another.

If they didn't have the lightning beast take them down, they could only be stuck there.

“Magical items aren’t of much use to me. However, if you have spiritual stones, you could give me some to replenish my energy,” the lightning beast countered outright.

That made it clear that it wanted spiritual stones in exchange for taking them down.

At the mention of spiritual stones, all the cultivators were momentarily stunned. They then exchanged glances.

After all, sharing magical items was just an empty promise, with unknown commitments being most worthless.

But when it came to spiritual stones, it would mean truly digging into one’s pockets.

Seeing that everyone was hesitant, the lightning beast continued, “I won’t insist on it. If you don’t want to go down, just pretend that I didn’t say anything.”

“Okay, I’ll pay.”

A cultivator decided to trade his spiritual stones for the opportunity to go down.

In the end, some were willing to part with their spiritual stones, while others remained reluctant. Only half of them gave their spiritual stones up to go down and have a look at things there.

Jared and Catalina also planned to pay with spiritual stones, but the lightning beast turned them down.

“You two don’t have to pay. Let’s go down now!”

After it had finished speaking, it brought its twin hammers together lightly.

Boom!

The heaven and earth trembled. Subsequently, a streak of lightning struck, transforming into a sphere of light in mid-air and enveloping Jared and the others.

The lightning beast manipulated the sphere of light, slowly descending toward the base of the cliff at a tortoise-like speed.

At the end of the day, Jared and the others were just ordinary people right then. If there were any mishaps, they certainly wouldn't have survived.

Gradually, everyone was engulfed by darkness. Due to the lack of spiritual sense, they were unable to make out their surroundings with their naked eyes.

In the darkness, many began to panic, their breathing turning frantic.

Even Catalina clutched her life-saving token in her hand, her expression tense.

"Calm down, Ms. Lantz. Everything will be fine." Jared assured affectionately.

While doing so, he wore a grave expression himself, for he couldn't shake the sense of uneasiness within him.

It was the kind of feeling of danger being imminent.

He could only clench his fists tightly, channeling all his strength into them.

The others also wore expressions of solemnity. Some even prayed quietly under their breaths.

In the darkness, they were all like a lamb to the slaughter.

Rumble!

Suddenly, a flash of lightning streaked across the sky, piercing the darkness with a sliver of light.

Taking advantage of the light, everyone finally managed to see the situation beneath Bone Break Cliff. The blanket of white wasn't a layer of snow but stark white bones.

At the same time, intense lethal intent kept surging up from below.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4426** – At that sight, everyone's expressions turned even paler. Catalina also trembled subtly, and she unconsciously leaned toward Jared.

Jared reached out and wrapped an arm around her waist. Surprisingly, the latter didn't resist.

Right then, she needed someone to comfort her most. Upon witnessing that scene at the side, Cloud couldn't help but chuckle furtively.

Judith, on the other hand, merely rolled her eyes and turned her head to the other side.

“Danger!” Vermilion Demon Lord suddenly cried out in Jared’s consciousness field just then.

Before Jared could even react, the enormous sphere of light began to quake violently. Everyone felt a wave of dizziness wash over them.

At that moment, the lightning beast’s expression also changed drastically. It quickly warned, “Hang tight. I’m going to speed up.”

It manipulated the sphere of light to rapidly descend downward.

A burst of flames suddenly enveloped the sphere, accompanied by a series of cracking noises. Shockingly, cracks then appeared on the orb.

Everyone’s expressions changed drastically.

Without the protection of the sphere of light, they would certainly end up dead were they to fall.

Right then, many of them were filled with regret.

They wished they had never come down in the first place, not only saving their spiritual stones but also escaping with their lives.

But at that point, it was too late for all that.

Suddenly, everyone saw a massive hand emerge from the darkness and lightly smack the sphere of light.

Boom!

The sphere of light shattered in an instant.

The lightning beast spewed a mouthful of blood and plummeted straight down.

The others also fell one after another, plunging headlong uncontrollably.

Catalina was still in Jared’s arms. She clutched the jade pendant in her hand tightly, a flicker of determination flashing across her eyes.

Just as she was about to activate the life- saving token, a terrifying force swept over them. Everyone was blown away like leaves in the wind, and their heads felt heavy before they succumbed to darkness.

After an indeterminate amount of time had passed, Jared slowly opened his eyes as he regained consciousness.

When he had done so, the first thing that greeted him was the sight of Catalina's exquisite face.

The two of them were still locked in an embrace, their proximity alarmingly close to the extent that a slight movement would likely result in a kiss.

Gazing at her, he licked his lips lightly, a spark of an unknown desire blazing to life within him.

But at just that moment, Catalina suddenly opened her eyes. The two of them locked gazes, staring at each other up close and personal.

Catalina's face went red. Jared was also visibly embarrassed.

"G-Get up quickly. You're poking me," Catalina urged in a whisper.

"Oh, I'm sorry."

Jared scrambled to his feet in a rush, then helped Catalina up as well.

They glanced around, only to find that there was no one else in sight. Beneath their feet, countless skeletal remains lay scattered, some of which had already turned to dust.

"Where is everyone else? Why don't I see the others?" Catalina asked.

"I don't know either. They must have fallen somewhere else. Let's go and look for them," Jared suggested.

"Ouch!"

No sooner had Catalina taken a step forward than she abruptly cried out.

"What's wrong, Ms. Lantz?" Jared hurriedly asked, leaning over.

"I seem to have injured my leg," Catalina replied, her brows furrowing.

"What should we do, then? Shall I carry you?" Jared offered helplessly with his gaze fixed on her leg.

If his cultivation weren't sealed he could heal her since that minor injury was nothing to him.

But right then, they were all ordinary people. Thus, there was nothing he could do.

Catalina, however, shook her head. "No, thanks. I'm afraid you might poke me with that rod in your pants."

With that single remark from her, Jared's face instantly flushed bright red.

"Ms. Lantz, I'm sorry. I... I didn't mean it. In that case, I'll carry you on my back. Then, I won't poke you!"

While saying that, he crouched in front of Catalina.

"That works!" Catalina draped herself over his back, allowing him to carry her.

Although Jared's strength had been sealed, carrying a woman on his back was still a breeze for him.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4427** – As Jared carried Catalina on his back, the subtle fragrance of her drifted into his nostrils endlessly. At the same time, the softness he sensed from her against his back made him restless.

Catalina was sprawled on his back. A slight smirk curved her lips, and she lightly pressed her palm against the nape of his neck.

In an instant, the word Lina surprisingly appeared on the man's neck in dark red.

"What are you doing, Ms. Lantz?" Jared asked with a hint of puzzlement.

"Oh, nothing. I'm fine now, so just put me down!" Catalina fibbed, stifling a giggle.

"What?"

Jared was struck speechless. But still, he put her down.

Catalina flashed him a smile before cheerfully striding ahead.

Meanwhile, Jared wore a look of utter bewilderment. He couldn't comprehend why she was laughing, especially since her laughter seemed a tad peculiar.

Recalling how she had suddenly pressed his neck just a moment ago, he hurriedly touched the spot but found nothing out of the ordinary.

What on earth did she do?

He was momentarily dumbfounded.

Nonetheless, he still went after her.

Skeletal remains were scattered all over the ground, resulting in cracking sounds when one stepped on them. Yet, it seemed that Catalina was no longer afraid.

Even after the two of them had walked a distance, they realized that there was still no one else in sight. I wonder where the others had fallen!

However, a house appeared right ahead of them.

It wasn't made of bricks and stones but seemed more like it was constructed in thin air because it was translucent and also contorted alongside the distortions in the void.

"Could we be under an illusion spell?" Catalina mused, her brows furrowing upon seeing the house that had suddenly materialized.

"That's impossible. If I were under an illusion spell, I would have sensed it immediately."

Jared shook his head.

Although his strength was suppressed, his consciousness field was an unbeatable force.

To place someone under an illusion spell, the person had to subtly take control of the other party's consciousness field.

His consciousness was guarded by the likes of Vermilion Demon Lord, and Golden Tome was also in there. No illusion spell could take control of his consciousness field.

"What's with that house, then? It looks so illusory," Catalina asked in puzzlement.

"Do you remember the lightning beast saying that the Demonic Cultivator left a piece of soul remnant behind? I suspect this house is where the Demonic Cultivator's soul remnant resides. Given that all that remains of the Demonic Cultivator is a piece of soul remnant, building a house in the void isn't out of the realm of possibility. Let's go and have a look."

After Jared had finished speaking, he curiously made his way toward the house.

Catalina followed behind him, instinctively sticking close to him, so much so that she was almost hugging him.

For some inexplicable reason, she felt a sense of security when she was close to his back.



Though she hadn't known him for long, the sense of security he gave her was irreplaceable by anyone else.

When the two of them arrived in front of the illusory house, the door surprisingly opened slowly.

At that, they were both rather perplexed.

But having already come that far, Jared steeled himself and walked in, with Catalina following closely behind.

Despite both their capabilities being suppressed, the fact that they still dared to enter the house proved that they indeed had a bit of courage.

No sooner had they stepped in than the door behind them abruptly slammed shut. On the heels of that, the scene before their eyes changed.

A main hall appeared before them, an imposing sight that was distinctly different from the small house they had just seen.

A dozen or so oddly shaped stone beast statues lined both sides of it neatly. Each of them had a flame burning in its mouth, illuminating the main hall brightly.

In the heart of the space sat a disheveled man with his back against Jared and Catalina.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4428** – Gazing at the man, Jared couldn't tell whether he was a soul remnant or a physical body. At that moment, he couldn't unleash his spiritual sense to ascertain that.

"We meant no offense, sir. Please forgive us," he said, bowing at the man.

Regardless of the other person's identity, it was always wise to be polite first since it wasn't human nature to lash out at someone who was greeting the other with a smile.

Jared knew that he currently lacked power, so he had no choice but to humble himself. It was certainly not the time to show off then.

The man slowly turned around, his inscrutable eyes locking onto him.

Jared stared into his eyes fearlessly, ascertaining that he was nothing more than a soul remnant.

“You meant no offense?” The man slowly rose to his feet. “You two purposefully headed here, yet you claim to have meant no offense.”

Only then did Jared get a good look at him. He was cloaked in a long black robe that concealed his entire body. As he stood up, icy waves of lethal intent radiated off him.

Looking at his soul remnant, Jared wanted nothing more than to curse aloud. Cut the d\*mn act!

If his strength hadn't been suppressed, he would have started doing so a long time ago.

But right then, he was at a disadvantage and had no choice but to act cowardly.

“Sir, we came here solely out of curiosity, with absolutely no other intentions,” Jared explained earnestly.

If the man were to make a move, he wasn't sure if he could handle it, so it was best not to provoke him.

“Yes, we were just curious. If it bothers you, we'll leave right away!”

Upon seeing that, Catalina quickly grabbed Jared, planning to leave immediately.

The man started, “You two want to leave? Without my permission, you won't be able to leave this place. And to be honest, you two being here is all my doing. Otherwise, why would others be unable to see this main hall?”

“May I know why you deliberately led us here, sir?” At that moment, Jared had a bad feeling deep within.

He felt that the Demonic Cultivator's soul remnant likely intended to possess someone. Although doing so would result in a significant

decrease in power, it would still be better than being a soul remnant that was forever trapped there.

If that were truly the case, this man was certainly scheming to possess his body.

“It's nothing much. I've been here for several thousand years, trapped despite my cultivation. I can't help but feel a tad resentful. So, I need to borrow your bodies to leave this godforsaken place and enjoy the world outside,” the man

answered without holding back at all.

At his words, Catalina's face instantly went as black as thunder.

Jared also frowned. "I'm not quite following you, sir. Are you asking us to take you away?"

He continued playing the fool.

"It's fine if you don't understand. You'll know soon enough." The man laughed, his laughter chillingly baleful.

Catalina's face was a mask of fear. She turned to Jared and said, "Are you out of your mind? He wants to possess you and take over your body. At that time, you'll be done for."

Jared cast a glance at her, exasperation written all over his face.

How could I possibly not know that? I was

merely pretending to be oblivious. If he merely wants to possess me, I'd be more than glad to oblige him! As long as he dares enter my consciousness field, I wouldn't have to worry anymore. Vermilion Demon Lord would give him a beating he'd never forget. Even if Vermilion Demon Lord isn't his match, Golden Tome in my consciousness field is not to be trifled with..

"This young lady isn't half bad, quite sharp-witted too."

The man looked at Catalina and nodded in great satisfaction.

"Why did you lure me over when you're planning to possess him?" Catalina turned her gaze to the man in perplexity.

"I've been here for thousands of years, so it's been a long time since I've enjoyed the touch of a woman. Once I've possessed him, I'll need a woman to satisfy me."

The man leered at her.

At his words, Catalina's face instantly flushed. Following that, anger blazed to life in her eyes.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4429** – "D\*mn it! You're just a measly soul remnant, yet you dare have delusions about me. I'm going to beat up you until your soul scatters into oblivion today!"

Catalina was furious.

"Haha... How daring of you to talk big when your capabilities are suppressed."

The man laughed heartily, completely unafraid.

Even though he was a soul remnant, and his strength had diminished to a mere fraction of what it once was, dealing with people like her and Jared, whose powers had been suppressed and were no more than ordinary folks, it was a sure win for him.

“Drop dead!”

Suddenly, Catalina spread her palm open. The runes on it flashed brilliantly.

Immediately after, a streak of golden light shot toward the man.

The man was instantly taken aback and swiftly retreated. At the same time, the stone beast statues on both sides of the main hall abruptly began moving.

The golden beam struck a stone beast statue and surprisingly reflected off the numerous others, its power gradually fading away.

When Catalina saw that it had missed its target, her expression turned incredibly gloomy because she knew that it was her only chance.

The man then reappeared before Jared and Catalina, his gaze fixated on the latter, his eyes blazing with fury.

“What’s your relationship with that old priest, girl? Why do you have runes he drew for you? No matter who you are to him, my state today is all thanks to him. So, I’ll just take it out on you.”

After the man had said that, he waved his hand lightly.

A surge of force hoisted Catalina off her feet, leaving her struggling for breath and feeling as if she was on the brink of death.

She desperately clutched at her jade pendant. Just as she was about to shatter the life-saving token, a glint suddenly whizzed over.

“Let go of her!”

Wielding Dragonslayer Sword, Jared struck out at the man with a powerful swing.

The terrifying sword intent somewhat startled him, and he promptly dropped his hold on Catalina.

Even Jared himself wasn’t sure how he

managed to unleash that sword intent with that strike.

“Even with your powers suppressed, kid, you still possess such remarkable strength. It seems that your physical body is truly tough. Looks like I made the right choice. If your physical body were lacking, you wouldn’t have been able to withstand my possession. The fact that I’m going to possess you is your ultimate honor.”

With that said, the man headed straight toward him.

This time, Jared didn't use Dragonslayer Sword. Instead, he launched a punch at the man.

"Sacred Light Fist!" he roared.

Even with the might of his physical body alone, he managed to unleash tens of thousands of rays of golden light.

The man's brows furrowed slightly. Then, he abruptly vanished from sight.

The light faded away, and the main hall was left devoid of any trace of him.

Just as Jared was feeling somewhat puzzled, a surge of force suddenly hit him. In an instant, he was sent flying backward.

Crash! Crash! Crash!

He shattered several stone beast statues before landing heavily on the ground.

No sooner had he stopped than he began spewing blood, making it clear that he had been seriously injured.

"Jared!" Upon seeing that, Catalina hurriedly rushed over, looking at Jared with worry etched across her face.

Jared stared back at her, speechless. If it weren't for her, I might have been able to get the man to enter my consciousness field without his guard up by playing dumb to possess me!

"Surprisingly, you know a fist technique from the celestial realm. If I'm not mistaken, that punch of yours must be Whalreth's ultimate skill. I truly never expected that it would appear on a low-level cultivator like you after thousands of years. Once I've possessed you, I'll boost your strength significantly."

The man's figure slowly materialized in mid-air in the main hall. He looked down at both Jared and Catalina.

"I won't allow you to possess him!"

Catalina shielded Jared behind her, clutching the life-saving token in her hand.

Seeing that, Jared was promptly dumbfounded. He quickly urged, "Hurry up and leave, Ms. Lantz. Don't bother about me."

"No way. I'll never abandon you."

Catalina shook her head.

**A Man Like None Other Chapter 4430** – Jared was growing desperate. If he didn't let this guy possess him and enter his consciousness field soon, he wouldn't be able to hold on much longer! If things had gone on like this for much longer, I'd be done for!

"Chill, young lady," the man sneered. "Once I'm done possessing him, I'll come to you. I'm curious about the relationship between you and that old priest." After the man finished speaking, he made a grabbing motion through the air.

Suddenly, Catalina felt as if her body had been bound, frozen in place!

Even though she carried a life-saving token with her, it was useless now!

"I won't let you possess me, no matter how hard you try. I'd rather die than let you take over." Jared's voice was determined as he suddenly surged to his feet and charged at the stone beast statue beside him.

He would end his life by smashing into it.

The man panicked. His form shifted into a wisp of black mist, rushing toward Jared.

This was all part of Jared's plan. He wasn't really trying to kill himself; he was pushing the man to quickly enter his consciousness field.

If the man had known that someone like the

Vermilion Demon Lord resided in Jared's mind, he would have backed off immediately.

Jared was forcing him into a rash decision, making sure the man didn't have time to think it through!

Whoosh!

In an instant, the dark mist slithered into Jared's body, heading straight for his consciousness field.

Meanwhile, Jared paused, a smirk curling on his lips.

Seeing that grin, Catalina felt a chill run down her spine.

The man, now trapped within Jared's consciousness, began to laugh maniacally. "I'm gonna be free soon! I can taste freedom!"

For thousands of years, he had been trapped here, teetering on the edge of madness, but now, after possessing Jared, he finally saw a way out. Freedom was so close he could almost taste it.

Suddenly, a chilling voice echoed through the consciousness field. "Who are you to dream of freedom when I haven't even claimed mine?"

The man froze, his glee replaced by alarm. "Who's there?" He had not anticipated encountering another presence within Jared's consciousness, let alone a soul remnant.

Before he could react further, the figure of the Vermilion Demon Lord began to materialize, exuding an air of supreme disdain.

"You..."

"You..." The man's pupils dilated in disbelief as recognition set in. "Mr. Vermilion? Have you already taken over this body? Please, forgive me. I had no idea you were residing here. If I had known, I would never have dared to attempt this. I will leave immediately. I swear I will not disturb you again."

His voice trembled as he dropped to his knees, his body shaking uncontrollably. The fear was palpable as he groveled before the imposing figure.

The Vermilion Demon Lord regarded him with a cold, mocking smile. "Leave? Do you think you can simply walk out now that you have intruded? I am not the owner of this body. I am merely a tenant, residing here on borrowed time. The day Jared decides he no longer wants me here, I will crumble to nothing. And yet you, a mere insignificant demon, think you can take what even I cannot? How naive!"

As his words settled like lead in the air, the Vermilion Demon Lord's form flickered and abruptly vanished.

Suddenly, the entire consciousness field erupted in a dazzling surge of golden light.

The Golden Tome glowed fiercely, its radiant beams slicing through the air like a thousand daggers. Each pulse of golden light evoked a blood-curdling scream from the man..

He could never have imagined that within the consciousness field of a mere Seventh-Level Tribulator lay the soul remnant of a demon lord.

Even more shocking was the discovery of something as extraordinary as the Golden Tome, hidden within Jared's consciousness field.

As his form began to dissolve, fading into nothingness, confusion clouded his final moments. Why was something so valuable and dangerous nestled within such an unassuming host? He disappeared, unable to unravel the mystery.

Jared stood still, a faint smirk playing on his lips. As the man's spirit was eradicated, that smirk grew into a full grin. An insignificant soul remnant dared to challenge me? How did he think he is?

When his gaze landed on Catalina, who was still bound and trembling, an idea sparked in his mind. His expression turned mischievous. "Hey there, girl. It's been millennia since I've had the pleasure of a woman's company. I think it's time

I made up for lost time.”

Catalina observed Jared’s demeanor and was certain that Jared must have been possessed.

“Stay away from me, you b\*stard!”

Bound and completely immobile, Catalina could only struggle futilely against the invisible restraints that held her. Desperation surged within her as she cried out, hoping someone might come to her aid.

Jared chuckled darkly. “Scream all you want. No one is going to hear you. I’ll show you what true power looks like.”

With that, he lunged toward her.