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Bath

The Empyrean Sect wasn't far away from Mapleton at all. However, the path they needed to travel on was a mountain trail, so they had to slow their pace.

It wasn't until noon that they arrived at Empyrean Sect.

At that moment, hundreds of young ladies had gathered in front of the Empyrean Sect gates. None of them were the sect's members, though many were the sect's believers. The rest were villagers from nearby. It was a cramp sight with so many young ladies gathering there.

Jared was a little puzzled. Why are there so many ladies gathering in front of the Empyrean Sect? There are so many people here that we can't get in.

At that moment, a Senior Grandmaster shouted from the observation tower, "Everyone, we are back! Please make way!"

The Senior Grandmaster used his elixir field to shout louder than a loudspeaker. Those ladies promptly turned around and stood to the side when they saw the entourage.

A lot of women began to scream when they saw Carlos in red.

Carlos, on the other hand, smiled happily at seeing so many women.

Is Carlos really that popular with the ladies? Jared was bewildered. I know he's pretty handsome, but he's not some superstar. Why are there so many ladies going crazy over him?

Lyanna looked out of the carriage when she heard the ladies screaming.

All the ladies outside stared at her with envy as they wished they were the person sitting in the carriage.

When the entourage arrived at the gate, the Senior Grandmaster who shouted earlier spoke again. "Today is Mr. Xuereb's wedding day, thus we're opening

the gates to allow you all to take a bath in our pool! The water in the pool came from our mountain's spring water. It can nourish your body, improve your mental and physical health. Most importantly, it can help you stay beautiful. However, all of you are only allowed to stay in the pool. If you ignore our rules and run around the place, don't blame us when we show no mercy."

Just as he finished speaking, the hundreds of ladies screamed and rushed through the gates.

The moment Jared stepped into Empyrean Sect, he could feel the surrounding spiritual energy becoming very thick. It made all the hair on his body stood up before he tried to breathe in as much spiritual energy as possible. Why is the spiritual energy here so thick? Is it because of the spirit spring?

He could barely hold back his desire to get a taste of that spring water.

However, he knew he would get found out if he ran around the place at that moment. He decided to check out the spirit spring during the wedding because everyone would be paying attention to the ceremony.

Soon, they arrived at a hall inside. The hall was more than a thousand square meters big. It was heavily decorated as well. As it wasn't wedding time yet, everyone was currently resting in the hall.

Carlos spoke to Weston for a while before leaving. Seeing that, Jared seized the opportunity to leave too.

"Everything's ready, Mr. Xuereb. All those ladies are still taking their baths," the Senior Grandmaster who shouted earlier whispered into Carlos' ear when he walked out of the hall.

"Good!" Carlos smiled. "Once I absorbed their negative energy, Lyanna's aptitude to bewitch will finally help me become powerful enough to even win against my father."

He slowly made his way to the summit behind the hall when he finished.

Jared sneaked out of the hall and also headed to the back by following the traces of spiritual energy.

At that moment, on the summit behind the hall, a huge natural spring pool appeared. Above that was a spring with an area of only a few dozen square meters that constantly poured water outward. The water that emerged from it was stored in the spring pool.

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Exciting Scene

More than a hundred young ladies took off their clothes and bathed in the spring pool. Some still wore swimsuits while others went fully naked. Jared was hiding behind a rock on the summit when he saw that magnificent scene. He was staring at them so hard that his eyes were about to pop out.

Drip!

He swiftly lowered his head and noticed his nose was bleeding. A drop of blood had hit the ground.

"Da*mit!" He quickly tried to stop the bleeding.

Even an energy cultivator like him had a hard time controlling his excitement when he saw that.

However, Carlos, who was standing not far from the spring pool, had no reaction whatsoever as he stared at the naked young ladies.

It reinforced Jared's theory that Carlos was definitely no longer a man.

Carlos slowly sat down and draw weird symbols with both of his hands in the air. Soon, a small vortex appeared in the air. Those ladies in the pool didn't notice anything as they continued to play with each other.

Seconds later, a white mist began to rise from those ladies' heads. It looked like steam rising from hot water.

Those white mists were swiftly sucked into the vortex. Jared knew those were those ladies' negative energy, not normal steam.

As their negative energy continued to be sucked away, those ladies began to look pale. Their bodies started to shiver from a mysterious cold feeling.

However, they continued to stay in the pool because they wanted the water to make them look beautiful.

Jared shook his head resignedly. These ladies are going to die.

Still, it wasn't time for him to show up yet as Carlos would notice him.

Thankfully, just as those ladies were about to keel over and die from negative energy depletion, the Senior Grandmaster who shouted loudly earlier showed up.

"All right, everyone. Time's up. Please leave now. Mr. Xuereb has prepared gifts for you all," he announced.

When those ladies heard there were presents for them, they instantly got off from the pool, dressed up, and left with the Senior Grandmaster. They didn't know that they just lost more than ten years of their lives staying in the pool.

Once they all left, Carlos opened his mouth and swallowed the vortex in the air. "Ahh, there is so much negative energy! This will push my power to another level. I'll finally be able to reach the Martial Arts Grandmaster level and surpass my father after I absorbed Lyanna's negative energy."

He stood up and laughed excitedly.

Unbeknownst to him, Jared was hiding behind a rock not far from him. Although Jared wasn't really interested in him. It was the spirit spring that he was after.

After Carlos left, Jared hurriedly arrived at the source of the spring, which was so deep that the bottom couldn't be seen, and stretched his hand into it.

The moment he made contact, the spiritual energy erupted toward his body like a volatile volcano. He devoured the spiritual energy ravenously.

"There must be something inside..." When he touched the spring water, he knew the water itself didn't have spiritual energy. It came from whatever was within the source of the spring. He didn't know what it was, but it was definitely a magical item if it could release such a massive amount of spiritual energy.

Without any hesitation, he took off his clothes and dove right into it.

The deeper he went, the thicker the spiritual energy became. The surrounding also became darker as he dove deeper.

He could feel the pressure increasing as well. If not for his tough body, he would've been squashed into mush.

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Big Turtle

Jared concentrated and passively absorbed the spiritual energy around him instead of diving further. The level he arrived at that moment had enough spiritual energy for him to raise his power to even greater heights in just a few days.

However, he wouldn't be able to spend too much time cultivating there. July 15 was right around the corner, and Lyanna was still in the Empyrean Sect. Carlos would have done something to her by then.

So, after resting for a while, he dove deeper and deeper. Logically, the surrounding should have become darker as well, but it was oddly brighter the further he went.

Suddenly, a shadowy figure approached him. He furrowed his eyebrows. How can something survive in such a deep level?

When the shadowy figure got close enough to him, he realized it was a turtle. It was the first time he met a turtle with a meter-long shell.

The turtle was staring at him with hostility. There were unknown symbols carved into its shell.

Is this turtle the reason there's so much spiritual energy here? He stared at the animal motionlessly.

The turtle glanced at him for a little longer before diving back down. He let out a sigh of relief when the animal decided not to attack him.

Jared quickly followed behind the turtle to figure out how it got there.

However, he only managed to follow for a couple more meters before the turtle swam back. This time, the symbols on the turtle's shell began to glow in gold.

Soon, the golden glow covered the entire area like a big net. He was trapped in the middle.

An arcane array? His eyes stared wide at the golden glow around him. It's not just a mere magecraft. It's a genuine technique of an immortal, a real arcane array. Why did someone place such a powerful arcane array on a turtle's shell?

He was pleasantly surprised to see someone placed an arcane array on the turtle's shell because it meant there must be a valuable magical item hidden somewhere below.

Despite his desire to dive deeper, the golden glow had completely wrapped itself around his body. He couldn't even swim up to the surface, much less dive in deeper.

It was making him panic. Am I going to get trapped here?

Then, his eyes narrowed before he punched the turtle. If I can kill the turtle, the arcane array will be broken.

When he threw his punch, it formed a water pillar that struck the turtle.

Boom!

Jared felt a powerful force strike back at him while the turtle remained unscathed.

Swoosh! Swoosh!

After he attacked the turtle, the arcane array on the shell glowed in gold again. Martial energy formed ripples as it was shot in his direction. It allowed him to see where it was coming from.

However, since his movements were restricted, he had no way to dodge. Thus, he could only use his tough body to endure the martial energy attacks.

A wave of searing pain was felt on his arm. When he glanced at his arm, he saw a cut there. Blood was spilling out and coloring the surrounding water red.

It would appear that the spring water tainted by his blood was also restricted by the arcane array. It didn't spread out.

He quickly covered his wound to make it heal. At the same time, the arcane array on the turtle's shell had stopped attacking him.

It was only using the arcane array to prevent Jared from diving further.

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Marriage Time

It was time for the wedding to commence in the Empyrean Sect hall.

Lyanna secretly moved her veil away a little bit to look for Jared. Where the hell did he go? He's not selling me out and running away, is he?

She looked around frantically, but he was nowhere to be found.

"The time has come. The newlyweds, please..." a Senior Grandmaster from the Empyrean Sect shouted.

Carlos stared at Lyanna excitedly. After the ceremony was over, they would go to the bedroom. Then, when she was least expecting it, he would suck all her negative energy. That would help him leap through multiple cultivation levels and become a Martial Arts Grandmaster.

There weren't many young Martial Arts Grandmasters in the world.

He became even more excited when he thought he might become the youngest Martial Arts Grandmaster in the martial arts world.

"Why is your father not attending your wedding, Mr. Xuereb?" Weston asked perplexedly when he saw the chair at the end of the hall empty. What kind of father doesn't attend his son's wedding?

"My father has some important matters to attend to. He has left half a month ago, and it'll be a while before he returns. In any case, this wedding is between me and Lyanna. It doesn't matter if my father isn't here. Besides, Poison King isn't here too, no?" Carlos explained with a smug smile.

Weston stayed silent, though Lyanna spoke up.

She removed her veil and said, "It's bad luck to get married when both of our parents aren't here. I think it'll be better if we do it after your father returns..."

There was no way she was going to go through the wedding and become his wife.

And since she had no idea where Jared went, it was the only excuse she could use.

Carlos' expression turned cold. "I have told you that my father isn't returning any time soon. Besides, the date has been set, and a lot of people knew about it. I'm going to be a laughing stock if I cancel it right now."

"I don't care. I'm not going through with it if none of our parents are here." She then turned around and left.

In her mind, she was cursing Jared to hell and back. He promised it was just going to be an act and that he wouldn't actually make her marry Carlos. Yet, he was nowhere to be seen.

Just as she arrived at the hall's entrance, she was stopped by members of the Empyrean Sect.

"Do you think you can leave like that? Are you taking me for a fool? I want to see you try leaving without my permission," he declared sinisterly.

She swept her gaze past the scary members of the Empyrean Sect. All of them were emitting a murderous intent. So, she turned back to Carlos and said, "This is an important event. If you're going through this without your father, it means you're looking down on me. I won't agree-" "Let me tell you something. I don't care if you agree or not. You're marrying me today. This is the Empyrean Sect, not Mapleton. Even if we're in Mapleton, I still won't be afraid of you all." He threw away his facade and threatened her.

The Empyrean Sect was stronger than Mapleton, and she was currently in his territory.

The moment he finished, the members of the Empyrean Sect pulled out their weapons. It shocked Lyanna and the members of Mapleton.

They had no chance of winning against the Empyrean Sect in their territory.

Carlos smirked as he stared at the bewildered expression of the Mapleton group. "I truly love you, Lyanna. Besides, Poison King has approved our marriage. Isn't it good that our families will work with each other? Why are you changing your mind at the last second? You should think about the benefits that I can provide to Mapleton."

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One Hour

Carlos didn't want to force Lyanna too hard since he needed her alive. If he pushed her too far and she died in a battle, then his plan would be for nothing.

Lyanna glanced at the Mapleton members as they stared at her with anticipation.

Their lives were in her hand.

At that moment, her expression turned extremely dark. If she was there alone, she would rather die than marry him. However, there was more than one life at stake. If she refused to do as he wished, the people from Mapleton would die.

"No need to worry about us, Ms. Lyanna. If you don't want to marry Carlos, just escape." A Mapleton member suddenly jumped out just as she was hesitating about what she should do.

He looked like he was completely not afraid of death.

That was because he admired her, and he was enraged by how Carlos was threatening her.

"How dare a mere Mapleton member go against us?" Carlos spoke coldly before slapping him.

Before any of them could react, that Mapleton member was sent flying away. When he hit the ground, blood spurted out of his mouth before he died.

"You've gone too far, Carlos!" Lyanna glared at him and pulled out a dagger from her waist.

The other Mapleton members also pulled out their weapons in a fit of rage.

Carlos laughed when he saw the dagger she was holding. I didn't expect you to be carrying a weapon at our wedding. Did you conspire to kill me?"

"I..." She didn't know how to answer. The dagger was hidden on her body so she could use it to fight against him if he wanted to force himself onto her.

"All right, my patience is running thin. Marry me now or..." Murderous intent exploded from his body.

She gritted her teeth as her expression turned darker and darker. It wasn't death she was afraid of. It was the lives of the Mapleton members accompanying her.

She had known those people for twenty years and they took care of her since she was a child.

"Since your father isn't around, let me send someone to find my godfather. I'll ask him to come and officiate the wedding, or else it won't feel complete," she uttered.

It was a tactic to delay the wedding since Poison King was already dead. She was just trying to buy enough time for Jared to come back from whatever the hell he went to.

"No. The perfect time waits for no one. By the time Poison King arrives here, it'll be too late." Carlos had run out of patience because he only needed to absorb a little bit of her negative energy to reach the Martial Arts Grandmaster level.

He didn't want to wait for even a second longer.

"If you refuse to do that, I'll rather die than marry you!" Lyanna then placed the dagger next to her neck.

That stunned him. If she died, she would be useless to him as a corpse.

"Fine, I promise you. However, you only have one hour to bring him here. If Poison King doesn't arrive by then, don't blame me for what I'll do," he relented.

A long sigh of relief escaped her mouth when he agreed.

She nodded and turned to Weston. "Weston, please ask my godfather to come and officiate the wedding. Please be quick."

As she was speaking to Weston, she kept giving him a look. Her real intention wasn't to ask him to find Poison King since he was already dead. In actuality, she wanted him to find Jared and dragged him out of wherever the hell he went to. At this juncture, Jared was the only one who could save them.

Weston nodded and left. Lyanna and the other members of Mapleton waited in the hall while being surrounded.

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Breaking The Arcane Array

At that moment, Jared was still trapped inside the spring. He had used everything he could think of in order to escape the arcane array, but all his efforts were futile. The array was simply too powerful.

He had stopped attacking the turtle every time it swam past him too. That was because every time he damaged the animal, the arcane array would hurt him back.

At that point, he was getting really worried. He had no idea how much time had passed or how Lyanna was doing. If she had been tainted by Carlos, he would never forgive himself. After all, he was the one who encouraged her to come.

"Ah!" he shouted agitatedly. Die, you stupid turtle!

His fist exploded with golden light before he punched in the direction of the slow-swimming turtle multiple times.

Bam! Bam! Bam!

Each punch was more powerful than the last. Thanks to the immense amount of spiritual energy in the spring, the energy he depleted would return to him quickly whenever he used Focus Technique.

The arcane array on the turtle's back glowed up again when he attacked it. Golden light was seen before martial energy was shot out in his direction like flying daggers continuously.

Soon, he was covered in wounds. Blood kept flowing out of his body, yet he gritted his teeth without any intention of stopping. The rage in his heart was burning too brightly for him to stop.

At that moment, he was acting like a crazed beast. He had stopped caring about the damage inflicted on his body as he didn't want to get trapped there any longer.

Crack!

Suddenly, a faint sound stunned the crazed Jared and he became calmer.

After he calmed himself down, he noticed a crack was formed on the turtle's shell.

He was overjoyed to see that because he thought he couldn't hurt the turtle at all. On the contrary, the turtle wasn't invincible.

The power in his fist increased rapidly as he stared at the crack in the turtle's shell. Sure, he was beaten badly by the martial energy shot out by the arcane array, but he didn't care.

Initially, the turtle wasn't affected by Jared's relentless punches at all; however, it began to shake under his more powerful punches. It even began to make noises that sounded like cries of pain.

It took Jared more than a dozen of punches to finally crack the turtle's shell into pieces. The animal let out one last painful cry before rapidly sinking to the bottom.

As the shell with the arcane array broke apart, the golden light that bound him disappeared as well.

You're not getting away from me! He quickly chased after the turtle when he saw it was trying to escape.

Panic could be seen in the turtle's eyes as it had lost the protection of its shell. Without the arcane array, it was just food ready to be served on a silver platter—escape was almost impossible.

You used the arcane array to trap me, and now you're trying to run away? I'm going to use your meat to cook me a nice dish... Jared caught up to the turtle, grabbed its head, and prepared to kill it with one punch.

Without its shell, the turtle would die with that one blow.

However, just as he was about to punch the animal, it let out a whimper. Then, it opened its mouth and allowed a glittering and translucent thumb-sized bead to escape from its body.

When he saw that, he grabbed the bead and examined it. He had no idea what it was, but he could tell spiritual energy was emanating from it.

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Dragonslayer Sword

When the turtle saw Jared grabbing the bead, it moved in panic as though it was asking him to let it go.

He stared at the bead in his hand and loosened his grip. I'll let you go since you've given me a gift.

The turtle nodded as thanks when it was freed. However, when he tried to dive deeper, the turtle stopped him anxiously.

He had no idea why the turtle tried to stop him.

Just as he was getting confused, a roar could be heard from the bottom of the spring. A powerful wave followed and almost caused his entire body to go completely numb. He was on the verge of fainting when it happened.

The turtle panicked and promptly dove deeper when it heard the roar.

Jared shook his head to snap himself back to his senses before staring at the abyss hesitatingly.

If the roar was powerful enough to paralyze him, the danger lurking below might be too powerful for him to handle. However, his curiosity was greater than his fear, and he didn't want to give up that easily, so he stubbornly dove deeper again.

The deeper he went, the larger the space, and the brighter the light.

What is that? Suddenly, he saw a sword that was radiating faint blue light stuck in a rock at the very bottom of the spring. All the spiritual energy in the water came from that sword.

That must be a magic sword! Jared was pretty happy because it just so happened he was looking for a weapon.

When there was only a little more than ten meters between him and the magic sword, he saw the words 'Dragonslayer Sword' carved on the blade.

Dragonslayer Sword? He was stunned. Is this sword capable of slaying dragons?

It was quite shocking to him because dragons were nothing but a myth in modern times. Besides, a dragon was huge and capable of breathing fire. Is a sword even capable of slaying a dragon? Hmm... never mind. This is definitely a powerful weapon whether it can kill a dragon or not. I'm taking it!

Just as he wanted to pull the sword out, a powerful force pushed him away.

Then, the water swirled and formed a humanoid figure.

Since it was underwater, he could only make out a humanoid figure holding a sword with his eyes.

"Those who dare to take the Dragonslayer Sword will die!" an old man's voice uttered before the figure slashed its sword in Jared's direction.

The shockwave the sword created flew right toward Jared.

Jared was able to dodge it even in shock.

Boom!

A deafening boom was heard before an explosion occurred behind him, causing a huge pillar of water to be shot out of the surface.

If the attack was that powerful underwater, it was obvious that the humanoid figure monster was insanely powerful.

Hmph! This is just a spiritual sense. It can't stop me! Golden light engulfed Jared before he smashed the humanoid.

Boom!

That explosion from his fist completely destroyed the humanoid monster. In the next moment, it dissipated and turned back into normal water.

He grinned. Is that all-

The humanoid monster reformed behind him and slashed its sword on his shoulder.

He was suddenly struck down to the bottom of the spring, causing the sand there to tumble around and stirring up mud in the spring water.

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Seduction

Back in the Empyrean Sect hall, the one-hour time limit was up.

Weston still hadn't shown up, which meant he didn't find Jared.

Jared, you jerk! I'm going to kill you when I see you! Fury was written all over Lyanna's face.

"It's already been an hour. Is Poison King still not here yet?" Carlos entered the hall with people.

She tried to explain, "He's probably on his way here now. We're still waiting-"

"Do you think I'm an idiot? How far is Mapleton from the Empyrean Sect? Based on their Senior Grandmaster abilities, it'll only take them half an hour to make a full trip there and back. It's been an hour, and Poison King is still not here yet. This means he's not going to come. We should proceed with the wedding now." He smiled.

She remained silent as she bit her lips feeling all anxious.

"All right, don't make me force you to move. Put on your veil so we can get on with it," he ordered with a slightly annoyed tone since she wasn't saying anything.

"Mr. Xuereb, let's-"

"Didn't I say I won't wait any further? Are you deaf?" His glare was aimed at her as he roared.

It was impossible for her to drag it any longer. She knew that and that was why she said, "I will never marry you, Carlos. If you want me, then the only thing you'll get is my corpse!"

She then aimed the dagger at her neck and slashed it.

The moment he saw that, he stepped forward and struck her shoulder with his palm to shake the dagger off of her hand.

The members of Mapleton pulled out their weapons and prepared to fight, but they were quickly subdued by the people of the Empyrean Sect.

Carlos restricted Lyanna's movement and spoke in an amused tone. "You're not going to die that easily, not until I finish using you. I don't care if you live or die after that."

He promptly pulled her into the bedroom.

"Let me go! Let me go!" Her screams did nothing as he had complete control over her body.

Once they arrived, he threw her to the bed and stared at her like a beast that had caught its prey. His look was so terrifying that she couldn't help but tremble.

"Listen to me and you'll live. Otherwise, I'll make you wish you were dead instead," he threatened.

"Don't act like this, please. You're scaring me. I'm afraid right now. Aren't you supposed to treat me nicely on the bed if you like me? I can satisfy your desires if you be nice..." Lyanna suddenly spoke coquettishly.

Her eyes were filled with gentle love as she moved her body in a sensual manner.

No man would be able to control themselves if they saw her acting like that.

It was her Seduction Technique. Since she couldn't win in a battle of strength against him, then the next best thing she could do was display her seduction technique.

No men could resist her move except for Jared.

When Carlos saw her acting like that, his terrifying expression promptly turned somewhat horny as he smiled at her lewdly. "I love you, pretty. Come and play with me..."

He then pounced on her.

Lyanna tried to leave, but Carlos grabbed her arms and pinned her to the bed.

His lustful gaze was fixed on her as he touched her waist with his hand. He wanted to push her into his embrace.

"There is no need to rush. Let's drink some wine first to set the mood." She pushed him away again.

It worked as he nodded and stepped backward. "Okay..."

She approached the wine cabinet and popped open a red wine bottle. I need to buy enough time for Weston to bring Jared here!

The edge of his mouth curved upward as she took out a bottle of red wine.

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Not A Man

Lyanna popped open the red wine, poured the content into two cups, and brought them to Carlos.

"If you behave yourself, I'll satisfy you, all right?" She winked at him, making him completely mesmerized by her.

"I'll behave myself. I promise..." He nodded eagerly.

"Just drink with me for now and don't touch me, okay?" A smug smile appeared on her face when she saw how head over heels he was for her.

"Okay..." He nodded.

After she handed him a glass of wine, he drank it in one go.

She also drank it in one go when she saw that and poured more wine into his cup.

Her plan was to make him very drunk so that she could escape.

However, when Lyanna was planning to let Carlos drink another cup, she suddenly felt her head spinning and her limbs weak. The cup in her hand fell to the ground.

"Does this... This wine is... There's a problem with this wine..." She was shocked.

It had to be because of the wine that she was abruptly feeling unwell.

"Hahaha! I have laced the wine, but I never expect you to drink it voluntarily." Carlos stopped pretending and started laughing.

"You... You didn't fall for my Seduction Technique?" Lyanna was flabbergasted.

No man, aside from Jared, had ever escaped her when she used those techniques.

"Let me tell you something. Your seduction technique only works on real men. However, I'm not a proper man anymore," he said, completely not embarrassed.

In fact, he even looked smug about it.

"Then... Then why did you marry me?" She couldn't understand why he would still marry her despite not being a real man anymore.

"That's because you're special. The negative energy in your body is the best resource for me to reach a higher level of cultivation." His lips curved upward.

"Once I absorbed the negative energy in your body, I'll finally reach the level of Martial Arts Grandmaster and become the youngest Martial Arts Grandmaster in the martial arts world!"

Fear was penetrating every part of her body as she listened to his rambling. She wanted to escape, but her body refused to move. Biting her own tongue would guarantee his plan would fail, but again, her body had no more energy to even move.

"Stop resisting and surrender yourself to me." Carlos twirled his finger and caused a vortex to form in the air. It was spinning on top of her head.

Inside the spring, Jared continued to fight against the humanoid monster made of water.

Every time he tore the monster apart, it would reform to its original shape. No matter what he did, he couldn't really destroy the humanoid monster.

The spiritual energy in his elixir field was rapidly decreasing. Even though his Focus Technique helped, it wasn't replenishing his energy fast enough.

He knew if he continued to fight like that, he would either be killed or die from exhaustion. Furthermore, he couldn't afford to mess around any longer as he had no idea what was going on with Lyanna.

"I'm simply a spiritual sense, brat. I cannot be killed, and you cannot defeat me. Don't you dare take away my magic sword!" the humanoid monster warned.

Jared's sweat continued to dissolve in the water as his expression darkened. If this monster cannot die and will always revive, how am I going to defeat it?

The monster attacked again when he was thinking. He swiftly dodged the attack and smashed the monster into pieces again.

Like always, the spring water gathered at a spot again to reform. Every time he punched the monster, the spiritual energy in his elixir field decreased. If that kept on, his elixir field would dry up and he would be devoid of any spiritual energy.

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Merged

"I've told you before. Stop wasting your time because you're no match for me." The humanoid monster continued, "The water you see here is my life! I'll live for as long as I have them around me. It's not like you have the ability to suck the water dry!"

Upon hearing that, Jared's eyes brightened up, and he seemed to have thought of something.

He smirked. "Thank you very much for your reminder! Although I can't drain the water, I can definitely keep it away from me!"

With that, his body exuded an enormous wave of spiritual energy. At that point, he was using up all the spiritual energy he had left.

Soon, a force field of around a few meters square wide emerged around Jared, forcing the spring water outside the force field.

With the water now gone, the humanoid monster was starting to panic. "You b*stard! What do you think you're doing? The Dragonslayer Sword is mine! I hid it here with me because I was hurt. How could you just take it away from me?"

"Since I found it, doesn't that mean I have a fate with the magic sword? Besides, how could you keep such a good magic sword to yourself?" Jared chuckled coldly.

By then, there wasn't any water left inside the force field. Without it, the humanoid monster would not be able to resurrect again.

"How dare you take my sword? I'm going to kill you!" the humanoid monster roared angrily and swung his sword toward Jared.

In response, Jared threw a punch at it. The force field instantly absorbed all the water droplets, and the monster was never seen again.

Jared was overjoyed upon seeing that. He then walked toward the Dragonslayer Sword.

As he was approaching it, a buzzing sound could be heard coming from the Dragonslayer Sword. The sword was shaking on its own. It seemed like it was reacting to Jared.

To his surprise, he was blown away by an invisible force when he tried to grab the Dragonslayer Sword.

What's going on? Isn't the humanoid monster gone already? Why can't I pull the sword out? Jared furrowed his brows.

He stared at the Dragonslayer Sword for a while before recalling something in his mind. He then bit his finger and dripped a drop of his blood onto the Dragonslayer Sword.

Buzz!

Suddenly, the Dragonslayer Sword started to vibrate violently. After absorbing the droplet of blood, the sword instantly turned into a shade of red.

Bang!

A loud and powerful explosion sent Jared flying away. At the same time, his force field was shattered instantly.

Just when he was trying to get up from the ground, he saw the Dragonslayer Sword flying toward him rapidly.

He reached out his hand and grabbed the fast-approaching Dragonslayer Sword. The moment he came into contact with the sword, he could feel the connection between himself and the blade.

Very quickly, Jared saw the blood in his body began to flow through the sword in his palm. It was as if the Dragonslayer Sword had become part of his body.

Slowly, the Dragonslayer Sword began to fade away before vanishing from sight.

Despite not being able to see it, Jared could still feel the Dragonslayer Sword in his hand.

As for the spiritual energy he had supposedly used up, he suddenly felt his elixir field being replenished again.

Have I become one with the sword?

What that thought in mind, the Dragonslayer Sword suddenly showed itself in Jared's palm again.

Jared was over the moon. What an incredible magic sword this is! Now, I can kill the Martial Arts Grandmaster with ease!

Swish

In the blink of an eye, the spring water gushed into the pocket of space where the sword was placed. Within seconds, there wasn't a drop of water left in the spring.

Jared looked up and leaped his way out of the spring. All he saw was a piece of dry land when he looked down.

At the same time, Empyrean Sect's spiritual energy had disappeared. No matter how hard Jared tried to seek it, he could only feel the usual thin layer of spiritual energy in the air. It seems like the Empyrean Sect's spiritual energy was only present because of the Dragonslayer Sword's existence.