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Chapter 151: 6.12 Third Green Star - Countdown: 40 days

Afternoon.

Head State Palace.

A special house in which the highest person resides. It's a white modern mansion which is bigger than a normal mansion. It is something that is fully protected from all angles because the person who lives in his place is the person who has the highest authority in the whole country.

Currently but the emergency summons few special personnel were called in.

This includes the Prime Minister and General Cao, who had the second highest position in the whole country. For some reason Major Shi Moye was summoned to the palace as well.

They are now in the Head State office. Only four people had gathered inside the room. An old man with white hair sat at the honor's seat while the other three sat at the couches near him. On the right is the Prime Minister and General Cao while on the left is Major Shi Moye. Knowing that his position is the lowest the protagonist gong didn't know why he was summoned to the palace. He was frightened when he saw the summons from the Head State himself this morning. No question asked, he drove for endless hours to reach the capital by car.

The head state person looked at the small group with squinted eyes, the wrinkles on his face turned deeper when he saw that someone was missing. He looked at the person who was said to be the last one to be with that missing person.

"Junye! Where's Xueya!?" asked the Head State old man.

Cao Junye's expression turned dark when he was asked about Xueya, he still hadn't gotten over with the letter that was left for him.

"Gone. We had a bad quarrel last night. When I wake up this morning... Xueya and Chino had disappeared. There are no traces of them leaving the mansion or the subdivision. They... suddenly disappeared in thin air."

Cao Junye's words were slightly trembling when he explained the reason why Ximen Xueya didn't come with him for the summons. Major Shi Moye on the other hand had shown a weird expression when he heard General Cao's explanation about Ximen Xueya's disappearance.

Shi Moye's thoughts: 'Disappeared in thin air? This is... a bit like those I heard from before. Space element is it?'

He fell deep in his thoughts that Major Shi didn't notice that two pairs of eyes were silently observing his reactions secretly. There is an obvious reason for why he was called him but only the Head State and Minister knew why. These two old men had decided to isolate the room as planned. Only the four of them were allowed to stay in the office.

General Cao and Major Shi as people from the military already knew how serious these two highest authorities are right now. The moment no other sound movements were heard outside the room, they

knew that the office is completely isolated from the outside world. Their faces turned extremely serious at this moment.

General Cao asked, "Sirs, what is happening?"

"Snort* It's because you didn't listen to Xueya's last night that you know nothing! Your clear view as authoritarian failed you this time." said the minister.

"What do you mean minister?" asked Cao Junye as his face turned even darker when Xueya was mentioned.

"Junye! Would you believe me if I told you that the world is about to end?" asked the head of state.

General Cao Junye and Major Shi Moye were both surprised with what the state head had said. But their reactions were different. General Cao showed an obvious reaction of disbelief and doubt but Major Shi Moye showed only shock as if he heard something unbelievable. His expression shows he believes the old man's words and he didn't refute it like the General does.

"What is this nonsense!?" exclaimed General Cao.

Major Shi yelled, "How did you...!!!" he instantly cut off his words and covered his mouth but it was too late. Three pairs of piercing eyes landed on his body, making felt the heavy pressure and tension in his surroundings and from their gazes.

The State head even hit his hand on his knees and said, "Hah! Just as Xueya said! You knew about this Apocalypse disaster thing!!"

"Boy~ there is no need to keep things secret. Tell us old men what is about to happen and what preparations need to be done as soon as possible. Truth to be told the information Xueya had sent to us last night is too frightening. Please explain it to us. What in the world is about to happen?" said the Minister.

Major Shi Moye finally understood that it was Ximen Xueya who sold him to the government. But for some reason the state head and the minister are willing to listen to him as if they believe him. Only General Cao Junye was in a state of disbelief but no one else was willing to explain this to him. Only then did he remember the phone Xueya had left for him as a gift.

Looking through the data in the phone he was shocked to see countless international classified information from international governments all over the world. The languages of the people speaking in the video were varying from different countries but the scene is the same.

A scene of carnage, undead and blood. It was a virus from a meteorite that fell from outer space. When he got to the point where looked through the NASSA folder, he found out that a calamity was scheduled to fall on earth. The date is scheduled to fall on the 25th of December, midnight. That is only a month or so days before it happens.

Only did he remember the hesitation and fear on Xueya's face that night. For some reason he could somewhat guess that Xueya was trying to tell him about this but he turned a deaf ear to him. Now not only has he lost contact with him, this impending disaster is upon them. He could now understand the

meaning of Xueya's words that he would be busy enough that he would not even have free time to look for him.

Cao Junye whispered, "Is this the reason why you told me not to look for you, Xueya?"

After a long silence Shi Moye finally decided to tell everything he knew about the apocalypse. If he wanted to survive longer and protect his loved ones, then he could only bow his head down to the government. This is an opportunity Ximen Xueya had given him. He might not have the highest authority during the apocalypse but he could at least be included to be one of them.

'I don't remember the State Head and Minister surviving the Red Moon but... General Cao is a different story. He is the one who possesses the highest position during the world's end. He might be... sigh~ let's gamble.'

Major Shi Moye told the three what he knew about the apocalypse. He didn't tell him how he knew, his excuse was the same as Ximen Xueya saying that he heard it from his brokers. He told them about the Red Moon that will cause the meteorites to fall on earth and all over the world.

Then the human would have to be lucky to undergo one night of painful trial. If they were successful then they would wake up with special abilities. If unlucky they would wake up as undead.

State head spoke, "Lucky, is it? But Xueya told me that it would be based on human's antibodies instead. He said that as long as your body's natural antibodies could fight off the virus you could survive. He warned us to not forget to eat vitamins, fruits and tons of vegetables before the Red Moon."

"He really said this...!? If he did then it must be true but... this is something I don't know. Which means Master Ximen knew more about the apocalypse than I do. Sir, could you share the information you've received from Master Ximen in exchange? I will tell you some events that may happen in the future." said Shi Moye as he tried to bargain with them.

The Minister replied as he passed the pile of information he hid on his chair as if they've expected this soldier to bargain with them. "Sure enough, Xueya is right. Here is the information."

"Sir, why aren't you asking someone to apprehend Ximen Xueya so you could ask him about these things with him. Clearly, he knew more about the apocalypse instead of me." said Shi Moye.

Once this question was asked a dangerous glare had come from General Cao. Major Shi Moye felt like the man wanted to kill him at this moment but he couldn't understand which of his words had offended this God.

"Do you want to die?" asked Cao Junye as he glared at Shi Moye. The moment he heard he wanted Xueya to be apprehended against his will made his fury explode. He almost couldn't stop himself from wringing out this man's neck.

Shi Moye's thoughts: 'W-What did I do?! I've just asked why they are not catching Ximen Xueya to interrogate him according to laws...'

"General Cao, hold down your anger!" scolded the State Head.

Only then Cao Junye averted his dangerous gaze from Shi Moye.

State Head explained the reason why instead, "It's not that we don't want to ask Xueya's help. But after sending us the information in your hand, he suddenly disappeared without a trace. That address of that newly bought Ximen mountain from before was a wrong one. I already sent someone to check it but the place is different from the records. His mansion in S District was left abandoned as well. After leaving General Cao's place, Xueya and his son had disappeared without a trace. No one can find where he had gone. His last message to this old man is to seek you instead. This is the reason why we summoned you here."

Knowing that their connection to Ximen Xueya was cut off, they could only look for Shi Moye whom Xueya had suggested to look for. After meeting this Major at this moment only then they realized that this man indeed knew about the incoming disaster. They had to bargain with him to receive information in exchange.

Their time is running out. They only have 40 plus days to make hastened preparations. No one questioned Ximen Xueya why he didn't inform them ahead of time. As they themselves still don't believe an apocalypse is coming. The government tried to send few news about the apocalypse in secret but they didn't try telling it in a direct way lest the others say that the government had gotten crazy.

In secret the government and military had hoarded resources from food to basic necessities. They've used up all their savings just to gather enough. This especially true with regards to the General Mansion. But the money of General Cao was used up into two things. First is resources and second is used to buy information about the missing Ximen Family.

At the General's Mansion except for Uncle Wu most of the servants were sent home. Cai Junye had only kept those with close relationships with him since childhood by his side. His unit remains with him as well. The government and military had worked together and chose a desolated district to secretly build a base they would use as a hideout during the end of the world. They've left Major Shi Moye to control the people at the base. Of course! They were forbidden to come to that place until 25th of December had passed.

It's been two weeks since the Ximen Family had gone missing. General Cao returned home only to be slapped by a crying Lou Lan. It took him half a month before he heard that his friend had gone missing. Clearly it was Cao Junye who forced Wang Lei not to tell him anything. If he didn't notice that Xueya and Chino's missing presence ever since these few days he wouldn't have ordered the guards to hear that Ximen Xueya and his son had suddenly disappeared after getting in a fight with Cao Junye.

Slapped!

Wang Lei held back his lover who suddenly hit his boss, "Lan'er! What are you doing!?"

Lou Lan glared at his own lover and at the General in front of him then he sarcastically said, "You like him you said? You will protect them, you said?! In the end they still left. LIAR!!!"

"Xueya wouldn't just leave unless you upset him enough that he would lose his heart! He rarely trusts someone and it just happens that he chose to trust you because you had saved them before! What's with this end result right now!? What the hell did you say to Xueya that he left your side without hesitation!?"

"Trash! Liar!! The apocalypse is coming but THEY ARE STILL OUT THERE!!! You should just die!!! JUST DIE!!"

Lou Lan's breakdown was so much that he spouted hurtful words without hesitation. As a family member of someone in higher ranks in the military, he is informed about the incoming disaster. At first Lou Lan was relieved that his only friend and his nephew were staying with the general. This is the reason he visits them in the General mansion most of the time.

He should have noticed it early. When the guards prevent him from visiting the mansion countless times. That dodgy reaction of his lover when he asked about the Ximen Family and the General.

The stress Lou Lan had suffered is too much that he suddenly fainted about shouting at the General. Wang Lei had to carry his lover in his arms carefully tucking him in his embrace. Seeing this gesture the stern face of the General slightly twitched.

Wang Lei apologized to his boss, "Boss please forgive Lan'er. It's just that the news of the apocalypse has been stressing him lately and... Ximen Xueya happened to be his only friend."

"I know... that's why I let him slap me. It was indeed my fault. Go home and take a rest. After these two weeks, the peace would end."

"Uncle Wu escorts them out. I don't want visitors for a few days." said Cao Junye before walking up to his office.

The old butler replied, "As you wish, sir."

Once the General disappeared from their line of sight, Wang Lei asked the old butler about his boss' situation.

Wang Lei asked, "Uncle Wu any news about the Ximen Family?"

The Old man shook his head in reply. This means there is still no news about the Ximen father and son ever since they've left the General's Mansion.

"We had contacted all kinds of brokers and information dealers just to find any news about the Ximen Family. But as if they don't exist at all everything related to them has disappeared. All trusted personnel of the Ximen Family except for the young butler named Yun Suisen had all disappeared without a trace as well. Clearly someone is hiding the information."

"This is clearly the work of the Ximen Family. They wanted to have no connection to the rest and was quietly waiting for the end of the world to arrive. The Ximen Family under the orders of Ximen Xueya had been hoarding resources for half a year. The preparations made by their side is obviously more than we could in this last month. We could not find them unless the apocalypse began and waited for them to make their move." said Wang Lei.

The Old Butler Wu replied, "The Master understood this and took back all orders about finding them. But he chose to bury himself to work lately. After all, the way they've parted is not good. Child be careful. Our time is running out fast."

Wang Lei could remember the Christmas decorations placed all over the city. They were all preparing for a big vacation without them knowing the world is ending. He could silently take his leave with his lover.

He might have thought that the other people were pitiful to spend the rest of their days without knowing the incoming disaster. But thinking that he had only enough strength to protect his loved ones, Wang Lei chose to turn a blind eye to everything else except his lover and unit.

24th of December.

Time passed by quickly and Christmas Eve had arrived. The streets and malls were covered in glittering lights. A huge Christmas tree could be found at the center of the capital. Anonymous news about the incoming Apocalypse had been spreading on the internet for half a month lately but none of the people believed it.

It's like when someone said that the world would end in 2012 but still nothing happened with that same kind of rumor. The crowd never believes things until proofs are provided. Evening had arrived. Numerous couples and families were out there spending Christmas Eve but the most expensive subdivisions were as quiet as it is. Plainly these people are those rich families who had connected to the upper barracks of the government and military therefore they knew about the incoming disaster.

In the subdivision where General Cao Junye and his unit resides, few orders were already implemented. Before 12 midnight everyone is commanded to stay alone in their own room to wait for Christmas Eve to pass. Except for a few couples who were determined to stay together until the end, most of the soldiers followed the General's orders.

General Cao himself stayed alone in his office. With a glass of wine in his hands he sat on a chair he placed to face the large window in his own office. When the clock strikes finally hits 12 of the midnight, accompanying the sounds of the bell in the city is a huge black out.

This black out is caused by the sudden disappearance where the source of energy comes from. The lights flickered for a bit as the generators finally started kicking but no one outside their house had time to worry about the dimmed lights on the streets. They were all looking at the evening sky and the sudden appearance of the huge scarlet moon.

"Is that the moon?"

"Why the hell is it red!?"

"It's a Blood Moon!!!"

"This is my first time seeing this. Take a photo."

"Share it to everyone."

"Wait! What are those lights!?"

"A meteor shower? Amazing~ so beautiful~"

Everyone who is still awake at this moment watches the beautiful scenery above their heads. Just the big red moon is astounding enough, the crisscrossing meteor shower caught every amazed themselves. It is because of this breathtaking scenery that they didn't notice the smog converging from the sky falling on them. This smog is like a fog but unlike an ordinary fog, it moves on its own as if it was alive.

It entered the human body without them noticing. Once the human body is invaded successfully, the infected individuals fall on the ground one by one as if they've inhaled something that made them fall asleep. Even the people who were hiding in the houses were not spared by this smog.

At the General's Mansion.

Office.

Cao Junye watched as that smog entered through the gaps of his window crawling slowly towards him. He didn't react as if seeing unimaginative things as this event was already explained by Shi Moye. This is the fog that brings the virus. They were told that if they wanted to secure their survival they just have to avoid this smog but the downside is that they would never receive the opportunity to become an ability user.

High risk. High return.

Only those who awakened their abilities after the trial would be considered a real ability user than those who gain their ability through absorbing elemental stones during the second phase of the apocalypse.

There are two ways to become an ability user.

First is to gamble with your life and let the smog from the meteorite enter your body and force you to awaken. Results of this is either you become a zombie or become an awakened one.

Second is to survive a whole month after the apocalypse begins. Within the month the zombies of undead would start to evolve. After their evolution, there would be elemental stone emerging from their heads. Once an ordinary person eats this stone, there is a higher possibility of awakening but there is still 3% of being a zombie. If you are unlucky enough then you would become an undead after consuming the stone.

These elemental stones were also useful to upgrade an ability user's level. One could distinguish the difference of elements through the color of the elemental stones.

Red - Fire

Blue - Water

Green - Wind

Orange - Earth

Gold - light

Grey - Metal

Black - Darkness

Purple - Thunder

Light Blue - Ice

Neon - Plant

Dark Violet - Space

White - Attribute type (Strength, Agility and etc.)

Cao Junye felt his body boiling as soon as his body got infected by the Z-virus. Despite his inside burning his sweat was cold. Junye hovers in the midst of his consciousness and unconsciousness. In his last moments before he fell into a coma, he was sure that someone who looked like Xueya had appeared out of nowhere before him.

"Baby...?" He calls and tries to reach out only to finally fall into a blackout and suffer a high fever.

Before he falls on the ground Xueya caught him in his arms. There was no emotion on his face as he hugged the unconscious man in his embrace. It seems that Cao Junye isn't seeing things during his delirium. Ximen Xueya indeed teleported back to the General's mansion to check on him after putting his son asleep inside their seaside villa. System Yue was left to look after the child in his human form. Of course, he didn't left the villa unprotected. Ximen Xueya placed a thick barrier of Ice around the side villa before leaving his son to his uncle.

Back to the mansion, Ximen Xueya caught Cao Junye before he completely fell on the ground. Carrying him on his shoulders, he was thinking of laying him down on the bed in the master's bedroom.

Xueya calls, "Uncle Wu."

Once he called upon this name the man waiting outside entered the room. He respectfully lowered his head in front of Ximen Xueya.

"Xueya-gongzi, your orders." said the Old Butler.

It seems that Ximen Xueya first met the old man when he was in danger when the virus had taken over his body. His antibodies aren't enough for him and almost become a zombie right away. It was at that moment that Xueya had helped him overcome his trials. With someone like Xueya assisting him, his trials had passed without problems. This old butler became the first one to become an awakened ability user. His ability is Strengthening.

Xueya spoke, "Carry him to his room."

"Yes, Xueya-gongzi." said Uncle Wu as he took over the job of carrying Cao Junye.

Once Junye was placed on the bed, he stood at the sides waiting for more orders.

"Prepare juice and some towels for me. I will look after him and you can continue your duties. Thought ability users were considered awakened humans they would still become zombies when bitten. As long as you weren't bitten, getting scratch is not a problem. You should be prepared. After all not everyone could become an awakened ability user. I've just specially saved you because... you are the person who is the most loyal to Cao Junye and my child likes you." said Xueya.

Hearing this the old butler couldn't help but smile, this is the happiness of getting repaid for your loyalty all this time. It is because he is loyal to his Master, he treated those people his master like the same way. It is because Master Ximen likes his master that he was saved during his most peril times.

Uncle Wu said, "It was my honor, Master Xueya. Please excuse me to complete your orders for a moment."

The old butler took his leave to complete his orders and give his masters some privacy.

Once the old butler had prepared what he wanted and once again left the room, Xueya started wiping Cao Junye's burning body up with the towels he asked the old butler to bring to him. He also used his own ability to control ice to keep the temperature in the room cold and help Cao Junye pass his trial much easier than the rest.

Ximen Xueya's face remained emotionless when he did everything in that moment.

At the same time Ximen Xueya didn't forget to cover the whole subdivision with a barrier made of ice. This is to prevent stray meteorites from hitting that land. Direct contact with those impure things would instantly cause mutation on the human body. In short, in a few seconds they would turn to undead upon contact. This is the reason Xueya put up a barrier around this place and his territory.

Deciding to stay for a bit while, Xueya only sat beside the bed and stared at the feverish man sleeping suffering from a burning temperature. When he held Cao Junye just now, Xueya smelled the scent of alcohol. He clearly warned them to drink things that would strengthen their antibodies and not weaken them.

"I clearly told them to eat fruits and vegetables. This death seeking bastard, did he want to die!?" scolded Cao Junye openly as the latter could not really hear him.

Because of this Xueya had the old butler get some juice. But the old butler seems to have mistaken that the juice is for Xueya as he served strawberry juice which Xueya and his son like to drink when they still stay in the mansion. Placing the pitcher of juice on the side table, he held a glass of it in his hands. He inclined Cao Junye's body supporting him from the back, intending to force him to drink the juice. But clearly it is impossible to make a person in a coma drink or eat no matter what.

Ximen Xueya could only drink the juice himself, pry Cao Junye's lips open and feed it from mouth to mouth then press the other person's tongue to force the juice into the other person's mouth. This can also make the sleeping general drink a mouthful or two. Xueya didn't care how many times their tongues clashed. The latter is totally dead to the world and had no idea of what Xueya had done to him.

After successfully making the general drink a few glasses of strawberry juice, Xueya noticed his complexion turning a bit better than before. He waited for a few hours watching the man survive his trial when he thought that the man was about to wake up. Ximen Xueya didn't hesitate to stand up preparing to leave.

His face remains devoid of emotions even when looking at the general. He might still like the man but that doesn't mean he forgives him with the words he had said to him before. This is the reason why Xueya still decided to leave before the man woke up. Once he left the room, he saw that the old butler named Wu had been waiting for him to come out.

Xueya spoke, "He should be fine now. But since his trial is too long, it would take him a while before he wakes up. This is better. The longer he sleeps means the stronger he would be when he woke up. The barrier I put around this place would only disappear when Junye wakes up and... don't tell him I came."

Just when Xueya is about to take his leave the old butler could help but tried to stop him for a moment.

"Master Xueya please wait."

As he wanted, Ximen Xueya stopped and waited for him to speak.

"Are you... Are you not going to return? We are planning to go to Z District. The government had created a base there. After checking on the State Head and the Minister, we are planning to head to Z District."

"Hm~ so it was you guys who made that small town your base." whispered Xueya.

The Old butler spoke, "Pardon, sir?"

"We are fine for now. My son and I don't really need any protection. I can keep my son safe on my own." replied Xueya.

This answer from Ximen Xueya had rendered the old butler silent. After all, what the former had said is right. He could definitely protect their own just by seeing the capabilities he had seen Xueya had done. Teleportation, just with this skill, it is enough for the father and son to roam the world unhindered. Moreover he had seen the huge barrier that covered the subdivision. It seems to be made of Ice, which means Master Xueya has two types of abilities.

Xueya continues to speak, "As for the State Head and the Minister don't waste your time. I've checked just now. They... are gone."

"What?!"

"If you are still planning to save the rest of their people then... They are currently hiding in the basement of the State Palace."

"Master Xueya, would we still be able to meet again?" asked the Old Butler who misses the young master's presence badly ever since they've left.

"If fate allows then... we should be able to meet again. Look after him for me."

Only when the old butler saw that Ximen Xueya had once again disappeared in front of him that he could only lower his head as in farewell.

"I will look after the Master for you." uttered the old butler in the empty hallway.

Chapter 153: 6.14 Third Green Star - Bloody Christmas

The world had started to change after Christmas Eve had passed. As if the world it had gone to quiet under the sky of the blood moon, every living thing had fallen asleep. Whether they were inside their house sleeping or eating dinner conversely outside their house walking around on a date or just going to a nearby convenience store on whim, every living thing including the animals had fallen asleep.

Under the erosion of the virus from the meteorites, no living things were spared. This is a trial which would separate those who are lucky and unlucky. The former would be able to awaken as an ability user meanwhile the latter would wake up as a zombie. No one is spared except for one.

Near the sea at a certain district, Ximen Xueya after visiting the General's mansion had finally returned back to his seaside villa. Within the lands near the seashore only one villa is covered in a thick dome of ice preventing anything from entering inside. The ice is invulnerable to any kinds of attacks even against fire even though it is the weakness of the Ice element.

This is because Xueya's Ice attribute is the purest and considered eternal even in the upper realm. Eternal Ice, nothing could melt it except of it's contrast which is called the Infernal Flame.

Eternal Ice is a special Ice Attribute that only those with Mo Bloodline could wield. This is also the reason for their initial coldness. On the other hand Infernal Flame is something that can only be wielded with those with purest and evilest bloodline of Demon race. The Evil Demon God race is called Ye Gui. Ye from the word Huangye which means wild and Gui from the word Mogui which means devil.

According to the records, the God of Origin, Siwang had cast away Ye Gui after attempting to harm his wife, Baojun, from the God System. Ever since then no one knows where that race had hidden themselves. Ye Gui is one of the races that was created by Siwang before he got to meet his current partner.

Clearly the former Siwang, like the meaning of his name, is completely indifferent towards other entities. He had no care and had no interest. He just wants to entertain himself. Ye Gui is a race he made which brings death to many other things.

Because his mindset had changed from indifference to being family oriented, the Ye Gui race couldn't accept their creator's change. In an attempt to return him to his indifferent self, they've tried to target his wife and his wife's family. But despite their attempts no one had fully succeeded in killing someone of Baojun's bloodline. After all the Mo Bloodline is considered an immortal bloodline and no one could really harm them outside their family except for one.

There are only two ways to kill a bloodline of Mo. One is when someone with Mo bloodline attempts to kill his own kin. Only those of Mo could kill someone from Mo Clan. The other option is more difficult to achieve. There are only a few which could be considered as outsiders to become a part of the Mo Clan, which is to successfully be chosen as their other half. But the requirements from doing so is impossible to achieve.

No one really knows how a person with Mo Bloodline could fall in love with someone. After all they are a bloodline that is innately born with no emotions and an ice cold heart. For the people who ended up being chosen as a Mo's other half, no one really knows the criteria for it. Comparing the current other halves of some Mo family members. Their personalities, standing and background are all varying to each one. To become a Mo member's other half, the others say it's chosen by fate while the rest say it is random.

Moreover, just based on how Siwang is overprotective of his own wife, the other halves of Mo family members have the same overprotectiveness towards their partners. It is almost impossible to tempt those other halves in killing their partners. You could only get yourself killed if you tried doing so.

The Ye Gui is said to be the only race that had complete control over Infernal Flames, this is also why they were considered the only clan that could harm people for the Mo Clan. If a member of this race was chosen by a Mo Clan member as another half and that person attempted to harm their partner. The death of the Mo Clan member cannot be undone.

Back to reality.

Ximen Xueya upon returning to the seaside villa had gone straight to the master's bedroom where his son was sleeping. Like everyone else in this world, he and his son were forced to undergo the trial of awakening. Xueya had no problem and instantly converted that virus erosion to successfully awakened as an ability user.

Aside from his original Ice and Space Dimension, his current vessel had awaken special attributed ability which is under the category of Mental Type ability. This ability is called Kotodama. Kotodama is a magic attribute that allows the user to manipulate their surroundings through speech.

Upon entering the master's bedroom, Xueya had seen Zhi Yue in his human form staring at his nephew who was sleeping peacefully on the bed. Normally those who undergo the awakening would suffer in their sleep with high fever during the whole awakening process but who let Ximen Chino's main element to be Ice.

With the blessing and love of Ice attribute, his body cools down on its own. This is the reason the child's process of awakening is through deep yet peaceful sleep.

Zhi Yue immediately noticed his host's return.

"Sire, the young master had been asleep ever since sire had taken his leave a few hours ago. He should be awakening soon. There is no discomfort during his awakening." reported Zhi Yue.

Xueya nodded at Yue who returned to his moo avatar form as soon as his host went home. It is normally forbidden for a system accompanied by his host to use their real form. It is as a rule that the system's real form is sealed during the whole time his host is doing their task in every world.

But for some reason the heavenly laws turned a blind eye on Zhi Yue breaking that rule. There are no problems with him returning to his human form as long as his host allowed him to do so. Must be because the heavenly laws of this world are considering his host real identity.

Moreover lately the host's memories are starting to return, his demeanor and personality starts to merge as his memories come back to him. The laws of this star must have felt the overbearing pressure his host's soul emits. Afraid of offending this dangerous figure, the heavenly laws could only turn a blind eye towards him.

Xueya took over Zhi Yue's place and sat beside his slumbering son. He could hear his rhythmical breathing and gently rustled the child's hair with a tender gaze on his face.

Xueya said, "When my baby wakes up I think he would enjoy this world as he wanted. On my way back, I've seen tons of undead transforming after failing their trials."

[That is good but... Host, would you be alright? I mean those disgusting creatures... you would be facing them in close quarters.]

Hearing this, Xueya's face turned dark as he remembered the sight of seeing those moving corpses standing up like broken dolls. Staggering as they walk with their bodies full of rotten flesh and scent of decay. His face slowly paling upon recollection. He could only lightly cover his mouth to prevent himself from hurling.

"Tsk! You made me remember something extremely disgusting, Yue~"

Just based on his host current appearance and that sudden cold tone in his voice, clearly Ximen Xueya's mood is beyond bad. Remembering his host OCDic temper, he could only suggest a few things that may lessen his host's bad mood swings.

[Host, I've checked through the System Mall and found a few things that might help with your problem. There is a necklace called Angel's Halo which would constantly purify the air within the meter surrounding you from all angles. Then gloves made from holy butterfly silk which rejects all kinds of poison, filth and dirt of all kinds. Aldo shoes which expel anything it touches as long it's made of dirty materials like mud and dirty blood or whatever. It could be exchanged with your redemption ticket. Buying one each would cost two tickets but buying wholesale, three of each can be exchanged for five tickets. Which one the host wants to redeemed?]

The suggestion of System Yue made Xueya's tanzanite orbs glow with clusters. "Exchange! I want the second option. Two adult sizes and one child size!!!" he didn't hesitate to give his five redemption tickets.

[Exchange successful! Thank you for your patronage. The host no longer had any redemption tickets for this world. The items exchanged for the tickets have been delivered to the host.]

After a bright light appeared inside the room, 3 pairs of necklace, gloves and shoes appeared once the light had faded. Two adult sizes and one child size as Xueya requested. Seeing the useful items that would keep him and his son clean the whole journey made Xueya extremely happy.

Xueya had temporarily forgotten that he was angry at his husband and instantly grabbed Cao Junye's part and once again teleported back to the mansion and passed these things to the old butler to be passed to his master. He made sure to warn the old butler not to tell his master that those three things were from Xueya and that the old butler had to think of an excuse for him instead.

After a while he returned home like he did nothing. Xueya happily gives his baby a kiss on his forehead after keeping those things in his space and went down to the kitchen to make dinner. Their lives inside the villa are as peaceful as before while outside the barrier few undead were scattered around walking aimlessly like mindless fools. But the number isn't as excessive as that of the capital. There are only a few tourists spending their vacation to play at the sea.

25th of December

The silence in the crowd had only remained before the sun had risen. Once morning had fully arisen, not only the ability users but also the zombies had woken up from their dreams. At 6 a.m. in the morning the world had finally ended. Zombies started moving, the massacre and flesh eating festival had begun. Some careless and unlucky ability users lose their lives when they wake up only to see a zombie jump on them.

At the street the sound of cars colliding and crashing can be heard. Screams and cries for help were echoing in the middle of the crowded city. Some rotten zombies started feasting on the nearest living thing, their bloodthirsty nature and cannibalism had been at peak the moment the trial had ended.

Hell had finally come to earth. The crowd street had been filled with chaos. Even if some of the police officers tried to continue doing their duties of saving civilians, lots of them still died, got eaten and turned into zombies.

AAAAHHHHH!!!

RUN! IT'S ZOMBIES!!

THE END OF THE WORLD!!

DON'T BITE ME!!

ARRGHH!!!

This scene of carnage, gore and chaos happened all over the world. Now the special occasion called Christmas had become a massacre party for the zombies. The real Bloody Christmas had begun.

General's Mansion

Cao Junye groggily opened his eyes. His head exploded in pain and the crashing sounds burst through his mind. He knitted his brows together as he felt the throbbing pain in his temples. After squeezing it a few times, the pain slowly fades.

The sound of crashing, almost endless firing guns suddenly entered his ears but he ignored it. The general woke up instantly with extreme vigilance in his surroundings.

He looked around him and saw that he was in his room but before he lost consciousness he was supposed to be somewhere within his office waiting for the end of the world to arrive.

Then he suddenly felt dizzy and his body felt like it was boiling. In the last moment before he fell into a coma he dreamed that he saw Xueya reaching out to him.

The general was now fully awakened by the thoughts that his missing person had returned. Looking around his surroundings he tried to spot that person's figure but? he was disappointed. There was no one else inside the room except for him. He was once again saddened by his expectations not being fulfilled. He could only miss his beloved.

But the general vaguely remembers that he was definitely in his office before he black out. To think he would suddenly wake up in his own bedroom. Plainly means that someone had brought him over the bed without him knowing.

He turned his head to the side and saw a pitcher which is still half full with strawberry juice. Checking the pitcher, he felt that the juice was left cold for him to drink. This is a kind of sweet drink that only his wife and son enjoys.

There is an inkling in his mind that says that Ximen Xueya had indeed come over before he lost his consciousness. To check on it, he could only stand up to clean himself and check the mansion and subdivision.

Cao Junye was about to remove his clothes when suddenly someone entered his room carrying a small basin with a towel in it. He met the eyes of his old butler which was with him during his whole childhood.

Old butler Wu exclaimed, "Childe! You are finally awake!"

"Uncle Wu. How is the situation outside the mansion?" asked Cao Junye.

Cao Junye had dispersed the servants of his place and left only this old butler in front of him to remain in the mansion. This is because he needs to prepare for the incoming apocalypse. Just one person to stay with him in the mansion is enough. Thankfully the old man had passed his trial and didn't turn into a zombie.

"Report. 80 of 150 soldiers had sadly turned to a zombie. Those who had awakened as an ability user had... eliminated those who were turned. Before Childe had woken up the lead position was temporarily handled by Lieutenant Wang Lei. Those who were bitten were shot down while those who were scratched were quarantined for 7 hours to check whether they would turn as well.

Among the 70 soldiers, 30 had successfully awakened an ability while the rest passed the trial but unable to awaken an ability. The situation in the territory is stable. Lieutenant Wang had handled the things well. They were waiting for the Child to wake up." reported the old butler.

Cao Junye's expression turned cold when he heard that more than half of his people had been turned. Thankfully the situation was handled well while he is in slumber. Then he once again remembered that vague scene of Ximen Xueya appeared in the last moment before he fell unconscious.

"Uncle Wu did... Did someone else enter my office? Who brought me back to the bed room?" asked Cao Junye but he could feel his heart beating with presumption that he might not be dreaming when he saw Xueya.

The Old butler replied without flaws on his face, "No one had entered the Master's office. It was this old man who brought the Master to his bedroom just after this old man had completed his trial."

Once the general heard this answer the light within his eyes had turned dull. His assumptions were proven wrong.

Cao Junye asked, "I see. Anything else?"

Seeing this the old servant could only sighed in his heart. Even though he had served the Cao Family for generations, the promise he had made with Master Ximen in exchange of saving his old life cannot be forgotten. He could only bite his tongue and lie to his general about this question as Master Ximen wished.

But then he remembered those three things that Master Ximen had asked him to be passed to his general. Since he was told to make an excuse on his own, the old butler made an ambiguous reason for someone appearing to give those things away.

"There is something. Childe, someone had left three things in this old man's room. A letter was left saying to pass the three things to Childe." said the old butler.

Cao Junye's eyes were once again full of life. "Where are the things? Bring it to me this instance!"

"Y-Yes! Right away!" replied the old butler.

Cao Junye watched as his butler took his leave in a hurry. The words his butler had spoken made him happy without a reason.

Chapter 154: 6.15 Third Green Star - End of the World

Within the City.

The sound of gunshots were heard all over the place. There are some streak of lights made with different elements flying over the herds of undead before them. The group of humans fighting the zombies were all wearing uniform camo on them. Clearly these men were soldiers under the military.

Despite them trying to control the crowd, the panic around them is already out of control. Moreover, the soldiers had another task to fulfill. They aren't here to save the civilians. They were on their way to the State Palace and Minister's place to check on the two highest authorities within the country.

On the main road within the city, soldiers were in formation while on the top of the cars. There are some who clear the road and some who try to save people but they have never once stopped to pick up people for saving. Their current priority is currently different.

The car at the center is a hammer driven by Wang Lei. Inside the car is Cao Junye, Lou Lan, Uncle Wu and two more soldiers whose task is to protect their general. As the leader of the unit, the car where Cao Junye is in was placed at the center where it is the safest.

Wang Lei spoke, "Uncle Wu! Are you sure? That a message from the State Palace and Minister's place says that both the two old leaders didn't survive!?"

"Yes. I've triple checked with them. But their signal was suddenly cut off. Before it was cut off the sound of running, glass breaking as well as gun shots resounds from the line. They must be fleeing that time when they've asked for reinforcement."

"But the call had been made 30 minutes ago right? Are they still alive?" asked Lou Lan.

Once he asked this the atmosphere in the area had turned dark. Everyone knew the meaning of Lou Lan's word. Half an hour had already passed since the last call and they still needed 20 minutes to reach the state palace. The Minister Place is even farther. They had to make a choice which to save first.

Everyone in the car had moved their gaze on their leader, Cao Junye. His expression remains calm and unmoved during this kind of situation as if he no longer cares about anything now that the world has ended. Of course this is something not only Wang Lei had noticed but everyone from their unit does.

After waking up from their trials everyone from the unit under General Cao had waited for their leader to finish his. When he woke up his reaction after knowing the current situation of the State Palace and Minister's Palace had not caused any changes in his expression. There is only calmness and indifference left on his face.

But after observing their General there isn't much difference in his out appearance. Well except for the obviously weird white gemstone necklace on his neck, the pair of black gloves on his pair of hands and those new boots on his feet, everything is pretty much the same.

With a dazed expression on his face as he observed the melting Ice barrier around their territory in the sky, General Cao ordered them to gather as soon as possible and took their leave before the ice completely melted. Clearly that ice barrier was made to protect them from the outside while undergoing their trials.

Those who sadly failed had long returned to earth. They had burned their remains and put the name of those soldiers on the prepared urn. This is something everyone had decided. Everyone in this unit including the general had prepared an urn for themselves.

The oath is to kill those who will get infected and get cremated by their comrades. Their ashes would be labeled and hid to safety until the time they could return to this place. Those 80 soldiers who were turned were now just ashes after cremation. It was a sad ending but no one could be blamed for it.

Wang Lei and everyone inside the car is staring at their general but he seems to be muddled right now for some unknown reason. Their General is completely ignoring them.

Cao Junye was thinking about what kind of situations Xueya and Chino should be experiencing now. The two would surely not team up with others as Xueya clearly hates strangers following him. He is worried and at the same time feels calm. Deep inside him he knew that there is nothing that could harm those two even if they were surrounded with zombies.

He is much worried on how would Xueya cope up with the dirty sceneries they would have to venture on their journey. Clearly Cao Junye knew that his beloved had a slight problem with cleanliness. He also thought how that rowdy child would enjoy playing around with zombies under the protection of his daddy. Tsk! I should be on their side right now if not for his idiocy at that moment. Cao Junye truly wants to kill his past self at the present time.

Hearing their general suddenly clicked his tongue had now completely astonished everyone inside the car. Their thoughts are all the same: Is this still their stern general? Did he really just click his tongue? Since when did their general make such a roguish behavior? This is the first time they heard him click his tongue.

It was at this moment that Cao Junye finally noticed all those eyes on him. His face twitched in surprise but instantly returned to normal.

Can Junye ask, "What is wrong with you?"

"N-Nothing. General, what is the plan? Who should we visit first? State Palace or Minister's Place?" asked Wang Lei.

Their General had replied nonchalantly, "Go to the nearest one. Either way the old men were already dead. The rest were just shameless insects which would become parasites in the future. Make sure to prepare a different vehicle for them to ride. Don't let them enter any of our cars. After bringing them out of the capital they would be on their own. Our target isn't Z District."

"General, what do you mean we are not going to Z District? Isn't that the base location?" asked Lou Lan as he glares at Cao Junye without hesitation. Ever since he disappointed his friend, his respect to this general is long gone.

Cao Junye just glanced at the angry Lou Lan and snorted at him, "Go with them if you want to go to the base. I'm going to look for my wife and son."

"Wife and son? General what do you..." Wang Lei's words suddenly stopped when he saw the darkness converging within the general's purple eyes. He could clearly see that those purple irises slowly turned to pitch black.

Wang Lei shut his mouth in silence as he understood who was in front of them right this moment.

It was not only Wang Lei who noticed this weird phenomena of their General's purple eyes turning dark.

Uncle Wu spoke, "General!? Y-Your eyes... eyes!?"

"Why is the General's eyes turning black!?"

"How is this happening!?"

Cai Junye ignored them and looked at his own reflection on the front mirror inside the car. He could see his purple irises slightly turning black at this moment but seeing this he didn't panicked but instead smirked.

"Worry not. One of my abilities is darkness. It's normal for a part of your body to change in accordance to the element you had awakened. I'm going to nap for awhile. Wake me up when we reach our destination." said Cao Junye.

"Yes. General."

Everyone had calmed down after hearing the general's explanation. It was true when he said that some part of them might change like? in their hair color or eyes. The color will spread to show how strong your element is. If one had awakened a fire ability then some strands of his/her might turned red. Likewise the color depends on the main element you possess and which of it is the strongest you could control.

Only those attributed abilities like strengthening can cause obvious changes in their body. Those who had awakened a strengthening ability had their skin turned to tan when they've activated their abilities. Though those who awakened mental ability type had no clear distinction unlike the rest of the ability.

But only those who had awakened their abilities at their strongest state could cause changes in their eyes. Since the General had awakened Darkness as his main element, their boss had retained his original

black hair but his purple eyes sometimes turned to black when he used his ability of controlling darkness.

Nonetheless, the reason for Wang Lei's sudden silence is different from the rest. Because the general had stopped the conversation, Wang Lei followed and just focused on driving. Within the car only Wang Lei and Lou Lan knew that the General's eye color suddenly changed not because of just his ability but instead due to someone taking over the soul of Cao Junye.

Their journey towards the State Place was done in silence.

Somewhere on the road in F District.

A lady carrying a crying baby within her hands runs away from the herd of zombies while being isolated by the other people around her. The crying noise of her child was causing the zombies to target her and her child but she never once thought of flinging her child to those disgusting beasts.

The lady runs away without looking back and firmly protects her child in her embrace. She doesn't care about others, only her baby is important to her. This lady had a few red hair strands she had hidden within her bun.

Wuaa~~ WUAA~~

"Shss~ Shss~ my baby don't be afraid mommy is here." The lady coaxed her crying baby.

Beside her some men who seemed to be her relatives were frowning and screaming at her.

"Throw the child away! Crying is luring those monsters towards us!"

"NOO!!"

"This bitch! Give me that useless thing! We'll use that as a bait!"

A man who was saved by this group like her had started complaining. Right like the others a group of kind men had saved her and her child on the first day of the apocalypse. She was in the supermarket buying some groceries when the end of the world had begun. Some kind customers who worked as policemen had saved her. This is the group she is in right now.

When the man tried to grab her baby from her, the lady didn't hesitate and used her newly awakened ability which is fire to burn that rude man. The ruthlessness within the lady's eyes were firm unlike when she is fighting zombies. Anyone who dares to take her baby were all killed by her.

This situation is not much different. He burned the middle-age man who wanted to use the baby as bait so they could escape. Instead the lady had burned the man's legs rendering him unable to continue running.

AAAAHHHH!!!

The lady had spoken, "You wanted a bait? Then I choose you to become one!"

She had killed without hesitation to protect which is important to her. But what the lady didn't expect is that those men who saved her just now had pushed her to those groups of zombies without hesitation.

Pushed to the crowd of zombies.

"Why?"

"The baby is too noisy."

There are some more kinds of situations like this happening around the country. Killing and murder had slowly become normal, the same with theft. Slowly the laws in the country started to break.

Back to the Capital.

The unit under General Cao is called Alpha. After arriving in the State Palace Cao Junye had led his unit to head to the location where the basement is located. They've moved in formation defending all angles without flaws.

The soldiers who had yet to fully awaken their abilities were placed at the center of the group together with the ability users who had awakened a non-fighting attribute like space storage.

They were provided with guns to protect themselves, meanwhile those 30 awakened abilities users including the general had spread around the group protecting those at the center. With the general as the vanguard most of the zombies that came attacking them had been eliminated.

Gunshots were heard all around the area.

"Move accordingly. Follow me closely. If you fall behind I will not come back for you." said General Cao who is now surrounded with black smog as he walks with graceful movements with each of his steps full of confidence.

He walked towards the incoming zombies with no expression on his face, the black smoke around him voicing any orders and instantly stabbed or beheaded any zombies that came near him. Everyone from his Team Alpha was stunned in awe upon seeing such a scene.

"Wow" how come the General's ability is too deadly and too strong?"

"Our abilities are just too pitiful compared to the General's darkness element." said the soldier who created a fire ball above his palms before throwing it at the nearest zombie.

"Idiot! Stop comparing yourself to the General. The difference between Mortals and Gods had never been fair."

"Two fools. Get moving before the Lieutenant slice your tongues with wind blades."

Only then did the two gossiping soldiers had noticed the glare from their Lieutenant Wang not far from them.

Wang Lei spoke, "Get your ass moving. The General is almost out of sight!"

They could see the wind ball converging above Wang Lei's palm. When they saw him throw it nonchalantly at the herd of zombies that suddenly appeared on their right, that small wind ball expanded and turned to countless small leaf blades turning those groups of zombies into sliced mince flesh. It was a scene spine-chilling which caused them to feel fear.

Those two soldiers and the rest of the team had replied in unison, "Yes, sir!"

The Alpha Team had finally reached the location where the hidden passage was discovered. This passage is connected to the underground secret facility where the State Head family and subordinates had locked themselves up.

Cao Junye's eyes turned black at this moment, he looked at the dark alley as if checking through the whole passage. Once he felt the presence of those living people his black eyes had returned to purple.

The general order, "Uncle Wu, lead a small team and gets the people hiding at the room you would find at the end of this tunnel. Just break the door and lead them out. I and Wang Lei would clean up the rest of the zombies and secure the way out."

"As you order, General." said the old butler.

No one in the team had shown disagreement with this old butler taking the lead for a part of their group. No matter whether the old man is retired or not, he still used to be Lieutenant General like Wang Lei. They respected this old butler whether it is inside or outside the General's Mansion. He used to be their instructor after all.

"Instructor, please let me take the lead." A soldier volunteered.

Uncle Wu smiled at the brave soldier, "Good. I will leave it to you boy."

"Leave it to me sir!"

Then a small group of 10 had entered the passage to pick up the survivors. After the team left, Cao Junye had taken a seat at a big stone in the open courtyard. Most of the zombies in the palace had been eliminated by them. The rest of the zombies were locked outside roaming without a target.

"G-General. Can we look around the palace to gather resources?"

"We heard there's an armory and kitchen not far from here."

"We need resources if we want to go on a long journey, especially since we don't know where Master Ximen's current location is."

Some of the soldiers commented. They already knew that the General would not return to the base in Z District after saving the people of the State Palace and Minister's Place. None of his soldiers decided to split with their general. After all most of them were orphans which the General's House had provided since childhood and served their General since then. They have no family but some have lovers. Those who have partners had already had their lovers safely join their team before the world ends.

The General also had no problems with their partners joining them in their journey. They would be protected and provided as the part of the unit. Though they would currently have no base as living quarters, they still have tents prepared in their comrades' space storage.

Among the 30 ability users in their unit 3 of them had awakened a space storage. Though the space inside is limited to a double sized room, it is still enough to keep resources hidden in it.

Cao Junye agreed, "Go ahead. Keep vigilance in your surroundings. Keep the noise at the minimum. Use a silencer."

Few soldiers had saluted towards their general and brought the three space ability users to search for weapons and food within the palace. Since the General had given the permission Wang Lei didn't stop them from leaving. Now only a few tired soldiers together with Wang Lei and Lou Lan remain in the courtyard with Cao Junye.

There is only silence in the area. Cao Junye brought out cigarettes from his coat and enjoyed one. Those soldiers who had the same thing had smoke as well. At least they still have some cig to enjoy at this moment.

Chapter 155: 6.16 Third Green Star - Cao Junye's Past and Secret

After waiting for an hour the group led by Uncle Wu had finally returned to the unit followed by a few males and females, old and young together with some soldiers from the upper seat had arrived.

Uncle Wu spoke, "General, we had returned. The highest authority among the survivors is Old General Sun. Sadly, the State Head had indeed..."

"Good work. Rest for a while until those who looked for resources to return." replied Cao Junye.

"Yes, General!" the soldiers said.

Among the survivors only General Sun and a lady which is called Sun Ruolan had approached General Cao. Lady Sun is the State Head's only daughter though she is an illegitimate child and thought the old leader didn't like her as much as he cares for his nephew, Ximen Xueya. She was still allowed to live in the State Palace.

This Lady Sun is General Cao's admirer since before Cao Junye had become a General. Old General Sun on the other hand is the State head's little brother. But unlike the State Head this Old General had no offspring nor lovers. He is a celibate after becoming impotent in the battlefield.

Upon seeing General Cao in front of her, Lady Sun with tears converging her eyes had run towards Cao Junye as if seeing her lover. Though she indeed treated the General as her lover in her daydreams. After experiencing the cruelty of the apocalypse her common sense had blurred.

"Junye!!!~~ You're here to save me!!" yelled Lady Sun as she wanted to hug General Cao.

Cao Junye looked at the crazy woman running towards him. There's an indifferent yet disgusted expression on his face while one of his hands roaming around his coat looking for something. His dull purple eyes were lifeless and the gaze he used to look at Lady Sun is like looking at a dead person. Indifferent and uninterested.

The scene of a woman suddenly jumping towards their general is a common event especially whenever General Cao visits the State Palace. The culprit of those countless attempts is the same lady before them.

This Lady Su has always been the General's avid admirer. Wang Lei and Lou Lan watch the scene as if looking at a certain play while the other soldiers were in awe at how crazy this woman dared to jump at their General.

The General Cao that the military knows is a stern person who is feared by both male and females of all ages. In their whole life the only people their General had treated differently are only two. The Ximen father and son, Ximen Xueya and Ximen Chino.

Now that the apocalypse had begun and laws were already broken adding the fact that Master Ximen and his son are still missing obviously everyone from the Unit Alpha knew how bad their general's mood is. If not for fulfilling his last duties to the State Head, the General wouldn't even waste his time to come here and save these people.

Everyone from Unit Alpha was waiting for a good show. While Old General Sun was frightened when this stupid niece of his, suddenly jumped on that dangerous person known as General Cao. In the whole military and government, General Cao only listens to the orders of the State Head and the Prime Minister. Now that both are gone, the shackles that held back this man no longer exist. The law no longer exists in his eyes.

As they've expected before Lady Sun could even approach General Cao, the latter had brought out a gun from his coat and pointed it expressionlessly on the lady's forehead. Without hesitation, Cao Junye pulled the trigger and the loud sound of bang was heard in the area.

BANG!

Lady Sun with a pale face while trembling had fallen seated on the ground in shock. There's a liquid coming out between her legs drenching her dress with a yellowish shade. But lucky she is still alive, as someone grabbed Cao Junye's wrist and tangled the gun's direction to the sky. It was Old General Sun who prevented his stupid niece's death.

Old Sun looked at Cao Junye with a distressed expression, "Cao, isn't that too much?"

"Not really. If my wife had witnessed that scene then that niece of yours wouldn't even exist right now." replied nonchalantly by Cao Junye as he took fling away the old man's hand and lit one more cigarette to calm down his chaotic feelings at this moment. He really misses Xueya and Chino at this moment.

Old Sun observed the young general before him and as he expected. This man is slowly reverting to his original personality before he met the State Head. The original Cao Junye before he entered the military under the State Head request is a cold hearted man who treats human lives lower than that of animals. He had no sympathy towards others, especially strangers.

This is because Cao Junye had lost his parents due to the cruelty and greed of his relatives. They assassinated the Cao Couple and killed them in front of Cao Junye when he was only 10 years old. The killer is none other than his own aunt and uncle,?who covets the riches of the Cao Couple.

The murder was planned well and there aren't any traces left to used a proof moreover the only survivor and witness is none other than a ten year old Cao Junye who couldn't even stand in the court due to his young age.

Moreover the Uncle and Aunt made it as if Cao Junye had lost his mind. Acting violent and had suffered from Schizophrenia, a serious mental disorder in which people interpret reality abnormally. In Cao Junye's case his indifference towards life and death of others and himself were the worst.

The one who saved him from his misery was the State Head and the Prime Minister. This is the reason why Cao Junye only listens to these two old men. After Cao Junye was treated of his disorder, these two men had integrated the laws in Cao Junye to prevent him from becoming a murder as he already had a potential for it because his indifference towards others. It was because of this that General Cao had become a notorious authoritarian in their field.

"Cao! Sun Ruolan is my brother's daughter. You really want to kill her?" said Old Sun.

Cao Junye just gave him a cold glance and replied, "Why not? To those two old men the most important to them even before their own family, had always been my wife. Do you think that illegitimate bitch would enter those old men's eyes? What a farce~"

Seeing Cao Junye's cold gaze, Lady Sun finally lost it. She was about to scream but Wang Lei had hit the back of her neck to make her faint. Seeing the lady fall unconscious the Wang Lei didn't even act as a gentleman by trying to catch the lady. Instead he avoided her and let Lady Sun fall on the ground face first. There is no kindness or care in Wang Lei's eyes.

Everyone looked at Wang Lei with a stunned expression on their faces.

Wang Lei spoke, "If she screams the zombies would get attracted here."

While the other's thoughts from the sideline: 'That isn't the problem Lieutenant.'

After bowing his head slightly towards General Cao and the old general, Wang Lei once again seat beside his lover, Lou Lan. Lou Lan on the other hand had a frown on his face as he brought out disinfectant wipes from his bag and cleaned the hand his partner used to touch Lady Sun. He is disinfecting his lover's hand seriously and even made others think that Lady Sun might be some kind of virus that needed to be avoided.

Old General Sun could only sighed as he squeezed his aching temples. He gestures to his subordinates to get Lady Sun away from this unit full of abnormal people.

"By the way since when were you married? Cao who is your wife?" asked Old Sun as he already forgotten about that stupid niece of his. A military person like Cao Junye and Wang Lei, he had no feminism in his body.

Cao Junye replied, "Haven't married yet? My wife and son run away from home."

"Run away from home? They got away from you?" Said Old Sun with disbelief.

"Yea. After saving you and someone more people from the Minister's place I would look for them." replied Cao Junye.

Old Sun responded, "Really escaped? Hearing that your wife got away even from you feels amazing. What is the name of your wife?"

"Ximen Xueya. My son is 3 years old. Well he's about to become 4 soon. He is called Chino." answered Cao Junye.

The answer Cao Junye had spoken of had rendered everyone on the Old Sun side stupefied. They look at General Cao, this abnormal young general as if he had evolved to become someone even more anomalous. He is the only person in this world that would dare call Ximen Xueya as his wife.

No one even in their dreams dared to spout such nonsense. Ximen Xueya is a well known wealthiest man in the country but only those at peak knew what kind of man Ximen Xueya is. Ximen Xueya could even be considered as the shadow leader of this country, his connections and wealth is beyond anyone in their country. Moreover he is an asexual man who isn't attracted to both male and female. This is the reason Ximen Xueya had Ximen Chino created through Artificial insemination.

Rumors say that Ximen Xueya's genes could not be made easily into a new life. Through countless trials Ximen Chino was born only because Ximen Xueya had allowed another gene to be mixed with his. Ximen Chino is a child made from two sperms that had merged together. In short this boy originally had two fathers in reality.

Old Sun, in his shock, lost all decorum and pointed at General Cao while stuttering, "Y-You... did you know that the other half gene... in Chino... is yours?!" movelusb.com

Hearing this General Cao revealed a proud smile on his face. His emotionless yet stern temperament had disappeared. Only a pleased smile is imprinted on his handsome face. Actually the original Cao Junye doesn't remember any of this but after Ye Xiajie had slowly merged his souls, he was able to receive his soul fragments' memories.

On their way to the State Palace, Cao Junye and Ye Xiajie, who had just awakened, have steadily merged but not completely. He still needs more time to fully dominate this soul fragment, it's just that right now the control over the vessel is current under Ye Xiajie.

It is because of this that Ye Xiajie learned that his son's vessel, Ximen Chino, is also the son of Cao Junye in this world. He was so happy when he discovered this secret. But afterwards he recalled the quarrel caused by his soul fragment which led to his wife taking their son and leaving. If Cao Junye wasn't him, he would have killed this stupid thing countless of times. This is the real reason for Cao Junye's bad mood this whole day.

Just seeing the joyous expression on the young general's captivating face is enough to prove Old Sun's question. But this time not only Old Sun and his side were surprised. Even the people from Unit Alpha were astonished that some of them had their jaws falling on the ground with how wide their mouth had opened in shock.

"Young Master Chino is really Childe and Xueya-gongzi's son?!" murmured Old Butler Wu.

Then he looked at his master and saw him nodded with a smile. The Old butler and the rest of the Alpha team including the newly returned small group who just heard their instructor's question saw their general nod were now all shocked. They didn't know the whole story but just the fact that Young Master Chino had the blood of both Master Ximen and their General is enough to make them dumbfounded.

"The General has a son?"

"Master Ximen's son is also the general's son?"

"What is happening here?"

But no one answered their questions as their General finally issued the order to leave the palace.

Cao Junye commanded, "Gather! We are taking our leave."

"Yes. Sir!"

Afterwards the rescue of those stranded people from the Minister's Place had gotten easier with the help of Old Sun's subordinates. Then after gathering a few more vehicles for the survivors, Team Alpha had split with their group. One goes to the secret base prepared by the government and military while the other while still continues to roam around to look for his wife and their young master.

The government had fallen with the death of the State head and the Minister. The third highest authority, General Cao, had chosen not to lead but instead roamed around the districts with just his team.

Meanwhile Major Shi Moye and his team held the fort in Z District after receiving the message that the General would not return to the base unless he finds his partner and child. It is because of this that the highest authority in the base of Z District had become Shi Moye.

In the end the strong prey on the weak and only those who are strong could survive.

Chapter 156: 6.17 Third Green Star - New Year I

The first month after the apocalypse had passed.

January 1st.

Now is the new year. It is supposed to be a moment when everyone welcomes a new page in their lives. Another beginning which others say. Unfortunately because the world had ended last year, this new year had no fireworks, no red lantern and no banquet.

In the first place loud noises attract zombies, there is no way to get materials to create red lanterns and since food source is limited there will be no parties or dinner banquets happening. There is no joyous new year, only a quiet and cold new year were welcomed by the survivors. In just one month the population in the country had plummeted greatly.

Now there are even less elderly, children and women. Even if there are some, most of them were unawakened and weak, that they needed protection at all times. Though there are some rare women that awakened even those ladies had already been partnered up with strong men.

Thanks to the winter season, the zombies had been frozen to ice popsicles. Level 1 Zombies had already turned to ice statues during these times. It is currently mid winter season.

The base build in Z District is not doing too well right now. There is a food source but the people entering the base are getting bigger each day. There are a limited number of houses and tents. Moreover the number of ability users that reside in the base is not enough to protect the numerous survivors who are unawakened.

Before Shi Moye had fallen from stress, Old General Sun had provided support to this young leader. But deep inside his heart, he knew that this young man isn't enough to take responsibility for such a huge number of lives under his protection. Shi Moye is still too young, unexposed to the elite circle and he is too ambitious.

There is no stability to back his position as a leader up. His awakened dual abilities might be amazing but those who had seen General Cao fights already knew how large the difference of strength between Shi Moye and Cao Junye was. Those who put Shi Moye in his current position are those greedy old bastards who only knew how to gain but not to give.

They weren't afraid of him, Old Sun, much less a lad like Shi Moye. Clearly, they are using Shi Moye as their puppet to gain control over the base. Thankfully this young man isn't foolish and acted the routine of acting like a pig to eat the tiger. Even then it is not enough.

Z District, Base named Hope.

The State Head and the Prime Minister before they died had gathered all resources and poured everything they've owned in this base. They named it Hope, this is to allow the survivors to remember that even if that world is ending as long they don't give up there will be some time in the future that would bring hope into reality. Bringing the original world back to normal.

Shi Moye even in his past life had liked the name this base. These are the words that support most of the survivors that live in this base. But in his past life, Shi Moye is not the leader. The one who leads and controls the base is none other than General Cao.

Under his reign, no one is allowed to go against him as he is the strongest ability user that exists during those times. With his dual ability of darkness and fire, he is undefeated like an impregnable wall. He towers in front of them like a mountain protecting them from inside and out. Shi Moye wanted to become like him which is why he was happy when everyone in the base had voted him to become the temporary leader of the base. This is only until Cao Junye returned to the base.

Leader's office.

Shi Moye is buried in paper works. He needed to list down the location where they could find a new source of food. They also need another way to create electricity. The Solar panel factories he remembered from his former life must be listed as well. There is too much work that he would already collapse if not for Old Sun and his lover Yun Suisen helping him with work. He truly wanted to thank them properly by solving the problem with food sources.

But he couldn't leave the base as he is the leader. Now he understood the disadvantages of being a leader, in his last life he could leave the base and do missions like everyone else. Yet as a leader he could only stay at the base and protect the base. The rest of the problems must be solved by issuing orders. Unfortunately he couldn't explain to them how he knew things normally, something he shouldn't know.

He could act a prophet but after making changes in the past event, like a butterfly effect the future had also undergone changes. Just the fact that an abnormality like Ximen Xueya exists, the future he knows has turned even bleaker. General Cao not returning the base is the heaviest change from the future he knew.

He is not the original General Cao. How could he know how the young general had handled those annoying elders of elite families in his past life? All he could remember that those old men had embezzled food enough to last for a year which angered General Cao. He threw them all out of the base in anger. Those who didn't comply were all killed by him.

Thinking of the base Shi Moye felt as stressed as he could get.

"Sigh~"

Yun Suisen and Old Sun who were with him inside the office all looked at him.

"Are you tired, ge?" asked Yun Suisen worriedly.

Old Sun who could see the black bags under the young Leader's eyes commented,

"Boy, take a rest. Let this old man take over for a bit."

"It's true that I'm a bit tired but that's not the problem. I'm thinking about the food source we have right now. It's supposed to last for at least half a year but a month has only passed and it's already about to be used up." said Shi Moye.

Hearing Shi Moye's explanation the other two inside the office had their faces turned dark. They could easily understand the meaning behind those words.

Yun Suisen spoke, "The greedy nobles and elite families."

"The world is already like this! And they are still acting like that! Unfortunately I couldn't do anything about it. I may be a general but I had long retired. Most power in the military had been handed to Cao Junye and the government was under the control of Ximen Xueya. Unless any of them returns it would be impossible to punish those nobles." said Old Sun.

"But no one knew where those two were." replied Shi Moye.

Old Sun sighed as he responded, "Try contacting them but for now let's focus on the limited food problem we have."

"Old Sun If you believe me I could bring food. There are few food factories hidden. But to get it I need to leave the base for a while." said Shi Moye.

Old sun replied, "How long would you be out?"

"The nearest one would take 3 days to go back and forth. But those are only grains. I need a week to get both the grains and the canned goods." said Shi Moye.

Silence ascended inside the office, the oldest among the three had fallen in his deep thoughts as if weighting things in comparison.

"Is it dangerous?" asked Old Sun.

Shi Moye replied, "A bit but it can be handled. A small team I would arrange from my side but I need at least 3 space ability users to bring back as much resources as we could. Sui-chan must come with me."

Old Sun then looked at Shi Moye's lover whose ability is space and plants.

"Agreed. I will keep the news of your leaving from others. But return as soon as you can, a week is plausible but beyond that those greedy old men would make their move to overtake your position if you're gone for too long." said the old general.

Shi Moye smiled after getting a positive reply from this old general. This retired general was the only person from his side which could hold back those greedy parasites.

Shi Moye replied, "We will disguise ourselves as ordinary mercenaries and take up a fake mission I would bring out tomorrow. We will take our leave in three days."

"Good. Xiao Yun, please complete the preparations on your side. It's New Year but our base feels so lonely." said Old Sun.

Shi Moye spoke, "Since it's new year. Let's have a banquet tonight. Ask the kitchen to cook a buffet for everyone in the base. I will be responsible for restocking food."

"Then I will have someone tell your orders, leader."? said Yun Suisen with a smile.

Somewhere in X District.

In an empty, ruined and small city, few zombies were roaming around under the daylight. X District is well known for its factories of creating clothes like silk, cotton and such. Now that the district is most likely deserted, there are only zombies roaming around the area.

In the main road of the said district.

Gurgle... Gurgles...

The sounds of zombies created by something being chewed echoes in the empty road. A familiar sound of something like crunching on bones or gnawing on some flesh. Then within that echoing sounds of eating, unknown footsteps caught the zombies ears. They've all moved their attention to that other sound.

A clear and cheerful yet bubbly voice resounds in the area accompanied by the sound of huge animals running over.

"Daddy~ daddy~ there is really a faint sound of breathing over here~ someone must be alive."

The owner of this adorable baby voice is none other than our baby Chino.

Wearing a little black bear hoodie and white shorts, Ximen Chino looks like a small bear cub from a distance. Especially when he is riding on a black and white furred Tibetan mastiff whose size is that of an adult in spite of it just being a few months old puppy. A normal adult Tibetan mastiff usually has 26 inches tall reaching barely above half a human waist height. But the Tibetan mastiff puppy Ximen Chino is riding on has already had this size. Obviously even animals started to mutate after the blood moon.

This Tibetan mastiff puppy is something Ximen Xueya bought for his son before the world ended. They bought a set of mother and father dog with one litter puppy Tibetan mastiff as guard dogs for their secret base in Ximen Mountain. These dogs had successfully mutated under Xueya guidance.

After mutation the litter puppy which is only a few months old had grown to the size of a normal adult Tibetan mastiff while its parents had grown twice the original. Even an adult human could ride on their back now.

Not only that, its strength and figure had also mutated, this mutated Tibetan Mastiff had strength stronger than that of a lion and speed faster than a jaguar. It's no longer a normal dog but most likely equated to being called a beast instead.

Following not that far from Chino is an adult white lion Tibetan mastiff. On the top of that mastiff is Ximen Xueya wearing loose white sleeves and tight fit black pants. The father and son are wearing a couple clothes. They both look gorgeous and captivating while being surrounded with ruined buildings and broken roads. Their appearance totally does not fit the world end scenery around them.

Moreover the handsome daddy had his brows knitted in a bad mood at this moment with his right hand holding a black handkerchief to cover his nose. His blue-violet eyes looking around with disgust imprinted within those tanzanite orbs.

"Chi-chan, clean up the field and then we can look for survivors." said Xueya.

Chino happily listens to his daddy's words. He activated his Ice element which instantly turned the water vapor around him into icicles. After it hovers around him like snowflakes, those icicles follow the baby's command and gesture.

"Ice shards! Fall!" yelled Chino as Ice fell all over the zombies instantly turned them to ice popsicles.

But it doesn't seem enough for the child to just turn the zombies to ice statues, he outreach his small hands and closed his hands with a grip.

"Break!"

As if following Chino's command the Ice statues slowly broke into fragments eliminating the zombies on the road with his ice ability. As the wind flutters towards him, a part of his short light brown hair turns light blue light highlights at the end of each hair strand. This signifies that Ximen Chino's control over ice elements is quite powerful.

Chino cheered, "Daddy~ I'm done!"

"Good! Go ahead and play. If you find something alive, tell daddy right away." said Xueya who finally put down the handkerchief covering his face.

"Okay, daddy~"

[Host, I've checked the area. There are few survivors within the 10 meter circle around you. They are hiding even though they've seen the young master clear the place. As for the closest living person, there's a baby hidden inside the empty trashcan on your left.]

Xueya's face turned ugly when trashcan is mentioned but he still chose to save the baby's life. He looked back at the two men who came out with him as guards. These two men were few survivors Chino had saved before.

They were former policemen who were used and betrayed by those whom they've tried to save. Chino saved them on whim when he saw the two being surrounded by zombies.

At that time one of them had a huge open wound on the legs clearly someone slashed him to be used as bait. The other policeman is his close friend who chose to remain and tries to save the other person. They were called Lu Meng and Si Wan.

Lu Meng and Si Wan were awakened ability users as well. The former being a Water while the later is Earth. It could obviously be pointed out with a few strands of their hair turning blue and orange respectively. But it isn't like Chino's whose half of his haired turned light blue. There are only a handful strands dyed.

"Wow~ Young Master's ice ability has gotten stronger."

"Yes, before there were only a few light blue highlights on his hair but now half is turned."

"Did his ability evolve?"

Ximen Xueya ignored the nonsense and said, "One of you checked the trash can on the left. There's a faint breathing coming from inside."

Lu Meng instantly made his move and checked inside the said trash can. Upon opening the lid and looking down, he saw a small curled baby inside. There's some bruise on its small arms and head. The baby is unconscious and no one knows whether it is still alive.

He took out the baby and checked if it's still alive or not. Si Wan who saw the baby in his partner's hands walked over and took the baby in his partner's arm which allowed the latter to check on the baby easier than before.

Si Wan asked, "How was it?"

"Barely breathing. Slight concussion on the head and high fever. Still alive."

The two sighed in relief after knowing the baby is still alive. Lu Meng used his ability and soaked the sleeves of his clothes to clean the baby's face gently. The curious Chino approached them as well. Seeing a baby which is smaller than him, he could help but asked.

"Daddy is this a baby? So small and... Ugly."

"Hahaha, young master, it's only a few months old. It will look like a monkey for awhile." said Lu Meng.

Si Wan spoke, "Can this Su Wan ask the young master to heal this child with your ability for a bit? He seems to be suffering from fever."

"Okay!" responded Chino. Putting his hand over the baby's his amber irises slightly glows with gold shade. This time he activated his other ability which is light.

"Heal!"

Once Chino's baby voice was heard the small figure was covered with gold light and slowly its purple bruises and small scratches disappeared, even the slight reddish face of the baby turned back to normal as even his fever fades under the light.

It didn't take long for the baby to wake up revealing those adorable big eyes of his. Seeing the faces of the three who save him, the baby joyously chuckles bearing his toothless gums into a smile.

Kyaa~ aha~

Xueya spoke, "Since there's a baby with use let's return early this time."

"Yes, Master!" said Lu Meng and Si Wan.

"Okay, daddy. Chi-chan had played enough for today!"

Xueya just smiled at his excited son who was jumping above his dog. Then he touched his snowflake earring once and another adult Tibetan mastiff appeared out of nowhere.

"The two of you and the child can ride that one. Chino came to daddy. I will bring your dog to daddy's space first. Ride with daddy back home." said Xueya.

Lu Meng who cleansed himself with his water ability carried the young master once his clothes dried. Xueya carried his son over to his lap and kept his baby's dog in his space.

"Daddy, it's the new year. Chi-chan wants to eat rice cakes!"

"Don't worry daddy~ already made it last night. My baby can eat as much as you want after dinner."

"Haha~ Chi-chan will eat a lot."

Once Lu Meng climbs up on the other adult dog's back with the other two they head back home to their base at the fastest speed.

Chapter 157: 6.18 Third Green Star - New Year II

Evening.

N District

At some seaside villa. The same villa which Xueya and Chino bought under the name of Ximen but abandoned it after returning to Ximen Mountain. This villa was occupied by Cao Junye and his Unit Alpha. Upon entering the villa they were surprised by how clean the place was.

The unit felt that the place was weird. Clearly the seaside N District is a ruined city. Except for a few survivors which they've saved on the way, every locals said that no one has been living in these seaside villas ever since the apocalypse. Not only they feared that there would be countless tourists turned zombies in this place, they weren't even courageous enough to leave their houses.

After all their district used to be a tourist spot, the population in this area is much higher than other districts. When apocalypse arrived the zombies in this city are denser than the other areas. The locals were especially afraid of the seaside.

Wang Lei spoke, "General, only this mansion is weirdly clean unlike the other villas. There are no traces of blood nor corpses. Not even a zombie. But there are traces that someone used to live here."

Some soldiers started asking some locals if they knew who used to leave here.

"Did any of you know who lives in this villa?"

"No sir. This area is a private land. The owner of this land used to sell villas but he seems to be gone now."

"We were just commoners. This place used to have a nearby resort. We just pass by it."

The soldiers didn't stop asking the rest of the survivors. Uncle on the other hand had to look around the place to do a thorough checking. Even the kitchen and refrigerators were checked through.

To his surprise Uncle Wu saw fresh seafoods, meat, vegetables and fruits inside the freezers. It was clearly packed full just lately. This obviously means that someone really lives here but upon checking the whole villa no one else is living in it.

Uncle Wu had also checked on the cabinets and saw it brimming with condiments and cooking necessities. But when he looked at the cabinet where the plates and glass are. He saw a familiar snowman shaped mug which is obviously customized.

"This is ...!?"

This is something Uncle Wu himself had seen before. Carefully holding the mug in his hands the old butler's eyes reddened once he saw the familiar name on the cup. The characters with the meaning of both silence and sunrise.

The name Chino was engraved on the cup. This snowman shaped cup is his young master's favorite cup. His Master had personally bought it for young master Chino. Seeing this proof, Uncle Wu now knows who used to live in this place and why it was clean and the food is full packed as if to welcome them. It was indeed a welcoming gift for them.

Meanwhile Cao Junye who was helping check the villa went to check the Master's bedroom. The whole room was neatly cleaned and in order. But for some reason there is a familiar scent coming from the room. A Sweet and Peppermint with hints of milky scent. This is the familiar scent of his wife and son.

The scent inside the room made him feel nostalgia of the days when Xueya and Chino still lived with him. It's only for a few months but it felt like countless years for him. As if they've been together for a much longer time. Then he noticed a picture frame at the side table near the bed.

Cao Junye revealed a yearning expression seeing the smiling two figures in the photo. In the photo is a man with ethereal beauty unparalleled in this world while the child in his embrace had familiar features of his and Xueya.

Both big and small had phoenix shaped eyes but unfortunately the child did take his and Xueya's eye color. The color of the sun, a glowing amber. These are the color of the orbs the baby in the photo possessed.

Cao Junye used his finger to gently touch the faces of the two figures in the photo gently. As if he could really touch them through it.

"So it was your villa. No wonder it felt familiar." murmured Cao Junye.

Someone suddenly knocks on the door.

Knock. Knock. Knock.

"Who?"

"Master, it's Old Wu."

"Enter."

After receiving permission the Old Butler entered the room. novelusb.com

"Is there a problem Uncle Wu?"

"Master I think I know who used to live... Here."

Uncle Wu noticed the picture in his Master's hand. He clearly saw the faces of Ximen Xueya and Ximen Chino on it.

Cao Junye whispered, "Unfortunately I know it too."

Hearing a melancholic tone from his Master's voice, the old butler could only shut his mouth in silence.

"We are staying the night here. Tell the rest to split and live in the nearby villas with the soldiers. Tomorrow morning we will move to the next district." ordered Junye as he took the photo from the frame and hid it in his inner coat's pocket securely.

Then prepare to go down to check on the rest. Uncle Wu followed behind him all the way. After the issue was resolved and the rest left the villa to occupy the other nearby houses. Only Wang Lei, Lou Lan, Uncle Wu and the General stayed in this villa owned by the Ximen.

Wang Lei and Cao Junye wait in the living room while Uncle Wu and Lou Lan cook for dinner. It's new year and the two decided to be extravagant with the meals for dinner. Of course the food was split to the other groups but the food in this villa is still too much after being shared. Clearly the owner of this villa had quite a source for food.

Wang Lei observes his general from the side, he is especially checking on his eyes whether it changes or not. He wanted to check whether his lord had fully merged with this soul fragment.

It didn't take a while for Cao Junye to notice his subordinate's gaze on him. His purple irises suddenly turned pitch black when he looked at Wang Lei indifferently.

"Stop acting against your character. I haven't fully merged with this body yet. It will still take awhile. When the imprint I shared with my wife appeared on my face only then would it mean that I have fully dominated this soul. Wait for me to wake up, Lou." said Ye Xiajie who only woke up for this moment.

Wang Lei reverently lowered his head and cupped his hands in front of him.

"As you wish my lord."

Cao Junye once again took over the vessel and his eyes turned back to purple. He held his head which suddenly made him feel a bit dizzy.

Arrgh~

Wang Lei asked, "Are you alright, General?"

"I'm fine. Might be lacking some sleep. I'll go take a bath first. Send some dinner and wine in the Master's Bedroom." said Cao Junye before leaving.

Wang Lei responded, "I'll tell Uncle Wu." as he watched his general went to the second floor and took his rest.

Z District Base, Hope.

At night under Shi Moye's command, a small banquet was opened for everyone in the base. They've cooked a lot of varieties for the dinner party. This is to celebrate the new year. They wanted to lighten up the mood inside the base even just for tonight. Of course this event is also to cover up the plan of Shi Moye taking his leave secretly after the party.

Once the banquet had ended, a serene night followed afterwards. Because of the party most of the people in the base had fallen asleep drunk. Those greedy old men weren't an exception to this. The Old Sun had taken this opportunity and allowed Shi Moye and Yun Suisen together with their small group to silently take their leave at dawn.

Just when they thought that no one noticed them leaving, no one spotted a drunk young man puking in the bushes near the entrance.

Pukes~. Urggh~

Two if this man's friends were patting the puking man's back in comfort. These little groups of three are no one other than Yun Ren and his two friends. They've just made their own secret party within the forest of their base.

They spent the new year with just the three of them. Because they stole their families wine and liquor, these young masters had decided to party on their own in the forest while eating BBQ, cheese and corn.

Because of this Yun Ren spotted his elder brother Yun Suisen riding a car while covering his face with a cloak. But the angle made him recognize Yun Suisen's face.

"Yun... Suisen? Blerrgh~" uttered Yun Ren before once again puking.

Shi Moye and his team left the base without knowing that someone had recognized his lover. Thankfully Yun Ren was drunk and it would take a while for him to remember that scene where he saw Yun Suisen taking his leave of their base.

This landscape is found within the area of Z District but this mountain is a restricted area covered with tall walls and trees. The countless trees were towering enough that the walls that surround the whole mountain entrance are hidden unless one ventures deeper in the mountain.

Numerous wild animals and mutated animals live around the mountain's premises. It is also because of this that no human dared to go in the mountain. What the outsiders didn't know was that all those wild

beasts and mutated animals were all domesticated pets which were under the control of the Master of the said mountain.

Behind the thick brick walls coated in metal is a paradise manmade by the owner of the mountain. There's a small town behind the walls. Unruined infrastructures and buildings were standing tall but at this moment the small town is covered in red lanterns and decorations.

There are even fireworks blooming under the sky barely reaching the transparent ice dome that enclosed the city sky from the outside. This also isolates the sounds which way even if the people inside causing noise nothing will be heard in the outside world. Like a separate paradise from the end of the world just beyond those walls.

Most residents in the small town were children and kind elderlies. There are also few men and women but totally limited. These men and women were allowed to live here under strict restrictions of the owner of the mountain. They were people the young master, the child of the owner had saved.

Any thoughts of greed were forbidden and everyone who came out to do missions was tasked never to spill a word about the mountain's location and secret. Once they've betrayed the trust of the owner of the mountain, not only they would be thrown out, they would die as well.

The master of Ximen Mountain is only kind to his son and no one else. He is cold and detach as if nothing matters could move his emotions except for his young child. But this master is willing to accept any whims of his beloved son.

They have also seen the master of the mountain fought before. The way he fights is beyond normal means. In their eyes he is no longer a human but a God. It's a scenery of purity, silence and death. Nothing under the land would be uncovered with Ice every time the Master made his move.

As if an aloof God of Winter who had complete control over snow and ice. No one is able to defy his means. They revered and feared him because of this. The name of the mountain is called under the same surname of the Master and the Young Master. The hidden paradise is called Ximen Mountain.

At the peak of the mountain is a mansion, this is where the master and his son live. Everyone is forbidden to come to this place as the master hates noise and crowd.

Now in this said mansion, in the courtyard is a barbeque stand which is now full with meat skewers, seafood platters and some vegetables like corn and such are being roasted and baked under a control fire. Not far from it is an electric stove which has four pots. A pot of rice, a pot of sweet glutinous rice cake soup, a pot of beef stew and a steamer filled with buns and dumplings. Except for the fire in the grills, the rest had been cooked.

Unexpectedly the one busying himself in handling all the cooking is the said Master of the mountain, Xueya. Not far from him his Chino and Zhi Yue were seated on a customized swing watching the fireworks blooming in the sky. The long table not far from them is now full of varying dishes served during new year.

Once all the food was served on the table Xueya removed the apron over him and called the two who were enjoying the fireworks display in front of them.

Boom. Boom!!

Followed by the sound of fireworks is a child's giggling.

"Wa!! So pretty~ uncle look. That one looks bigger."

"It is indeed... Not bad. Does our baby like those kinds of things?"

"Hm~ like! But only a bit... Uncle Yue, New Year is spent as family right? Why is father not coming home?"

Zhi Yue was a bit helpless and unable to give an answer.

"This... Let's ask your daddy about this okay?"

"But daddy had a quarrel with father. Daddy does not want to see father."

It was at this moment that Xueya spoke to console his son.

"Does Chi-chan want to see his father?" said Xueya as he took Chino who was seated on the lap of Zhi Yue.

Chino's eyes sparkled when he heard what his daddy had said, "Can Chi-chan see father?"

"Daddy will bring you over to play after dinner. But you can only play for three days, after that daddy will bring you home. Promise daddy you will be careful and listen only to your father okay?" said Xueya.

Chino happily responded, "Chi-chan promise" but... are you not coming with me daddy?"

A short silence spread in the area but it didn't last long as Xueya responded, "Not this time. Daddy is still a bit busy. Play with your father okay?"

"Okay~"

The three of them enjoyed the extravagant feast before them. The rest of the food was shared to Lu Meng and Su Wan together with the rest of the guarding team. After an evening routine shower Xueya carried his son who is now wearing a bear cub onesie. He is a bit sleepy as it has long passed his sleep schedule.

"Yue, your top priority is Xiao Jing." said Xueya.

Zhi Yue who was standing beside him replied, "I will protect the Young Master. Please leave it to Yue, sire."

Xueya glanced at him and nodded his head. Then Zhi Yue turned back to his moon avatar which is invisible for the original residents of this world. Afterwards he teleported directly to the sea side villa where the general and his unit resides. He appeared silently in the old butler's room.

Thankfully the butler hasn't fallen asleep yet.

Uncle Wu's eyes widened in shock upon seeing the Ximen father and son in front of him.

"Master Xue--" he instantly held back his words when he saw the gesture of silence Xueya had made.

Only then the old butler calmly accepted their arrival. He approached Ximen Xueya and politely gave him a bow in greetings.

"Chi-chan wants to play with the general for a few days. On the third day in the evening. I will go pick him up."

Pass a bag of Chino's necessities to the old butler.

"My child's things. Please look after him for me." said Xueya who gently passed his sleeping son to the old butler as well as the bag filled with his boy's things.

Uncle Wu carefully carried the sleeping Chino passed to him by Xueya.

"Is this alright? For the Young master to be separated from you Master Xueya?" asked the old butler.

Xueya responded, "He said he misses his father. It's only for three days, I don't mind. Just... Please keep him safe."

"I will protect the young master with my life." swear by the Old Butler.

Xueya nodded in the acceptances of the old butler's vow. Then he looked affectionately at his sleeping son. He couldn't help but kiss the boy's cheeks.

"Enjoy the new year my baby." whispered Xueya.

Then he gave the old butler a few warnings.

"At the end of this month. Be careful of the Blood Rain. Don't let it fall on unawakened ability users. Avoid it as much as you can. It is something that will allow the zombies to evolve. Keep this warning as a reward. By the way, the dog outside is Chino's, tell your people not to harm it." said Xueya before once again disappearing from in front of the old butler.

Since Xueya disappeared before the old butler could react, the latter had only let out a helpless sigh.

Uncle Wu whispered, "Maybe if the Master and Master Xueya didn't quarrel things wouldn't have gone like this."

Chapter 158: 6.19 Third Green Star - Don't bully my Oreo~

On the bumpy road, Shi Moye and Yun Suisen were on their way to X District together with few ability users under Shi Moye's command. Riding on a customized hummer, this little group of six had headed to their first target which is an abandoned factory of granary. The Xi District is famous for being a town where most farmers live. There are countless granary buildings in this town.

According to his memory from his past life, Shi Moye recalled that there is a hidden warehouse which used to be owned by a wealthy man who lives from the capital. Ever since the X District was abandoned after the apocalypse, X District has become that man's territory. Su Liye, a former mercenary that Shi Moye used to work with. He had a police young brother and a wife, who both had died during the apocalypse.

Based on his memories, Su Liye's young brother and his brother's partner were used as bait by some police comrades to escape. They both died after betrayal. His wife's ending is even worse. Before Su Liye left for a mission, he knew that his wife had just given birth but they had no money. So he left his wife

and son to his brother and his partner's care while he was out for a mission to gather money but who expected that when he got back to the country the apocalypse would suddenly arrive.

Su Liye tried his best to check on his family as soon as possible but when he got home his house was in ruins. The house had been cleaned up and only a letter his wife had left, pasted on the refrigerator was the only thing that let him know who was with his family. Police Captain Liu Ling, that was the name of the man who had brought away his family.

He and his team had checked through almost all of the bases that had appeared during the apocalypse but found no man who had the name Liu Ling. His last target is Z District, the base named Hope. Su Liye and his team had chosen to rest at the X District upon discovering countless grains, he wanted to use it as a bargain to get the higher ups of Hope Base to look for his family or that man called Liu Ling. In the previous timeline, the greedy elite clans had tricked him for his grains. In the end he died without knowing what happened to his family.

Shi Moye had remembered a scene from his previous life. Before leaving the base, he had already checked the names of Su Liye's family members. Sadly there are no survivors with the name of Su Wan, Lu Meng or Ri Yan.? Su Wan is Su Liye's younger brother. Lu Meng is Su Wan's partner while Ri Yan is the name of Su Liye's wife. But that police captain with the name of Liu Ling was found. This man had joined a team which is notorious for their bad attitude of using ordinary people as bait. In short this man is a trash kind of man.

It's already mid winter season. The snow is slowly getting thinner which allows cars to move on the road. Though there are still some ice zombies statues scattering on the road. Seeing the scenery outside the window of the car, Shi Moye couldn't help but frown.

Shi Moye whispered, "Why is the snow melting faster than I remember in my memories? Isn't the snow supposed to only start melting at the month of February?"

Yun Suisen who overheard his lover's murmuring reacted, "Ge, is there something wrong with the snow?" he asked.

"Nothing. Please wake me up when we arrived in X District." said Shi Moye.

"I will. Please rest well, ge." said Yun Suisen as he covered Shi Moye with a blanket from his storage place. He also provided their teammates with blanks and knickknacks.

Ximen Mountain.

Mansion at the peak.

Xueya was spending his time seated at the swing while reading his book. Since his son is not around there is no need for him to go out of his territory to place around outside. He hated fighting those disgusting things as they smell and look unpleasant to the eyes. Adding the fact that the surrounding is covered in dust and dirty, those moving rotten flesh monsters were targeting living humans. For someone like him who hates unclean things, Xueya would choose to stay in his house instead of going out.

Winter had no effect on him. He hates chilly temperatures but that doesn't mean it affects him much. It's just that the cold temperature made his own body temperature even lower which made Xueya uncomfortable. This is the reason why he hates the cold.

Drip!

Passing his time as he read his book, a sudden water droplet from the tree felt on the open page of the book. Normally during winter the water vapor won't turn to water easily unless spring is coming where ice would start to melt. But at this moment Xueya noticed the sudden increase in heat around his surroundings.

"Snow starts to melt during the mid winter season?" murmured Xueya as he closed his book nonchalantly and looked at the ice barrier which he erected to cover the whole town.

He used his Ice element to feel the changes in the ice barrier he made. Obviously the ice barrier is slowly thinning for unknown reasons. Since System Yue is not around he could only ask the automated system left to him by Yue.

Xueya spoke in his mind and contacted the automated system connected to him, "Automated System xa0013 check if there are changes in this world database."

[The host request is now in progress. Automated System xa0013 currently checking this star's database. Status is now complete. Answering to the host request. This world data had been changed by the heavenly wills. Reason: The host Godly existence is overwhelming the Heavenly son's halo. The world plot had been changed badly. The heavenly wills wanted to lessen the host Godly existence by weakening the host ability to control ice attribute.]

Once Ximen Xueya heard this explanation an amused smile appeared on his cerise lips. It made him even more exquisite and seductive. He is clearly entertained that this world's heavenly wills is trying to go against him.

"Heh~ this is the first world that openly tried to restrict my abilities. A mere C Class world? Really dares~" murmured Xueya as he released his presence to the maximum which event caused earthquakes to the whole world.

The tremors were felt all over the lands of the country and one who felt the most quake are the people who live in the Ximen Mountain.

[Warning! Warning! The heavenly wills of this star felt threatened by the host current qi. Please hold back your anger. The land of this star is now on the verge of breaking! People in this star were now in panic due to chaos.]

Once Xueya heard that a panic among the residents of this world was affected by his aura, he instantly held back and remembered that his son and husband are still with him in this world. Due to his original memories returning his temper had been shorter and temperamental. This is because his real personality is slowly emerging. The original him had no care for others except for a chosen few. He could casually destroy a star whenever he lost his temper.

But he could no longer casually destroy a world. Especially when in this world his own son and husband are together with him. Xueya had held back his temper and personally restricted his qi. He lowered it enough to stop causing destruction to this world.

As if complementing his aura, the tremors on the land and sea had calmed down. Xueya took a deep breath and slowly calmed down his surging excitement and urge to destroy things. This is his original nature. The love for destruction and obliteration. He was only holding back because his family is with him in this world.

[Prompt! The world data had now returned to normal. Stabilization in progress. Warning the host to not destroy the world.]

"Shut up. Open world viewer surveillance. Switch system mode from automated to manual." commanded Xueya coldly as his smile faded.

[World Viewer Surveillance is now open. System mode is now switching from Automated to Manual. Switching mode in progress... 10%... 30%...60%...100%. System mode is now manual. Subsystem down.]

After the mode of the subsystem was changed to manual. There would be no automated AI voice response would be heard when Xueya is using the subsystem. He only needs to activate the system interface. Allowing holographic system windows only Xueya and other world hoppers like him could see. Right now countless windows of each world's character are shown before him. A liver surveillance on Shi Moye, Yun Suisen, Yun Ren and Cao Junye. He also controlled the system windows to create a live surveillance on his son, Ximen Chino, Wang Lei, Lou Lan and Uncle Wu.

Xueya watched all the system windows which he minimized that allowed him to see everyone's current situation. He is like a God overlooking their current situations.

"This is not bad. I could watch my son and husband all the time with this. Let's input some new commands in this subsystem to make it more useful." murmured Xueya while controlling the manual mode subsystem in his mind.

Seaside Villa in N District.

The sudden earth from before had caused small tsunamis which let sea water enter the nearby villas. But thanks to the little bun Chino who securely protected the villa he was in, none of the sea water had entered the villa.

Ximen Chino is currently being hugged by his father, Cao Junye, who was just awakened by the tremors just now. The latter had instinctively embraced the baby in his arms even before the earthquakes could be felt.

Chino is using his small hand to pat his father's chest.

"Father~ Chi-chan is alright~ Chi-chan protected the house~"

Once again hearing the cuddly voice of Ximen Chino made Cao Junye smile. He lifted up the baby under his arms to his lap and smiled at him. He wanted to check whether he was dreaming or not. Seeing his son in front of him made Cao Junye extremely happy.

Cao Junye asked, "Our baby when did you come over?"

"Chi-chan doesn't know. When Chi-chan woke up just now. Saw father sleeping beside Chi-chan and is delighted!"

"Ah! Chi-chan remembers" I asked daddy I want to play with father Last night daddy said he would let Chi-chan play with father. Now father is in front of Chi-chan... I am very happy"

Ximen Chino suddenly jumped on his father and hugged his neck then gave him countless kisses on his father's face. In spite of his face covered in his son's saliva the smile on Cao Junye's lips only widens. On the other hand the smile on Cao Junye's face widens as he looks at his son. Of course he tries to look around wanting to see the figure of Xueya he misses the most. Unfortunately there is not even a hint of shadow of his wife's figure.

Cao Junye asked, "It seems that your daddy didn't stay over. Did your daddy tell Chi-chan to say something to father?"

"Hm~ there is nothing, father." honestly replied by the boy.

The expected answer made Cao Junye sighed. Now he understands that his wife is still angry at him. Cao Junye carried Chino on his arms and headed to the bathroom to brush their teeth and face their faces. The old butler had already placed his young master's necessities in the master's bedroom. It was also Uncle Wu who placed the sleeping young child beside his father.

It didn't take awhile for the father and son to meet the rest during breakfast. At the dining table, Wang Lei who is checking on his gun and Lou Lan who is eating toasted bread for breakfast were startled when they saw the little bun in their general's arms.

The sound of chair sliding was heard in the area.

"Chino!!?" Wang Lei and Lou Lan exclaimed.

The loud voice of his subordinate and Lou Lan were ignored by the General. Only Chino waves his little hand towards his uncles.

"Good Morning~ Uncle Lou, Uncle Wang. Grandpa Wu~ Chi-chan and father is awake now~"

The two men who were greeted first looked at the adorable baby dumbfounded. Only the Old Butler who was holding a tray of breakfast smiled at his young master in response.

"Young Master Chino, a pleasant morning to you as well. Would you like sweet rice cake soup for breakfast?" asked the old butler.

Chino responded, "Is it what daddy cooked yesterday?"

"Yes! He left some for everyone to enjoy." replied the old butler.

"Father you should taste it with Chi-chan. Daddy's cook is amazing~" said Chino with a huge smile on his face.

Cao Junye dotingly smiled back at his son and said, "Let's eat it together."

"Un!"

Uncle Wu had prepared a huge bowl for the father and son to enjoy. He didn't forget to serve some to Wang Lei, Lou Lan and for himself. After all other dishes were served on the table, Uncle Wu sat together with them and ate breakfast. Seeing that the general is busy feeding Chino, Wang Lei and Lou Lan choose to ask questions after breakfast instead.

Lou Lan who took a spoon of the sweet soup instantly recognized the taste. This is indeed his friend's cooking. Though Ximen Xueya rarely cooks before, he never forgets to cook for his baby every time he is requested to do so.

Lou Lan murmured, "This is indeed Xueya's cooking. But how..."

"Lan'er, talk later. Finish eating first." said Wang Lei.

Knowing he wouldn't receive an answer at this moment, Lou Lan chose to stay silent. Everyone focused on eating until suddenly they heard a commotion taking place outside the villa. The sound of soldiers yelling could even be heard from inside the house.

Ahh~ what the hell is this thing!?

Too huge! Is this a monster!?

Look closely! It seems to be a dog!

Are you crazy? Is there a dog this big!?

Kill it already!

Impossible! It's skin could even block bullets. Our abilities are being dodged so easily as well.

Inform the Lieutenant! Tell the General!

The chaos outside the villa had been overheard by those in the villa. Wang Lei and the rest all went out to check the cause of the commotion. As soon as they got out of the door they saw a huge dog which had the size of an adult lion growling at the soldiers. It has a white and black long fur which made it look like a beast.

Bewildered Wang Lei and Lou Lan, "This is...!!?"

"It's a Tibetan Mastiff." commend the General.

On the other hand the child on his arms yelled, "STOP! Don't bully my Oreo!!~~" Chino's eyes were now full of tears as he saw his dog being bullied by a group of uncles.

"Oreo!?" Wang Lei, Lou Lan, Cao Junye and the rest said at the same time.

Only Uncle Wu reacted differently.

Cough* "This is the young master dog. A Tibetan Mastiff puppy named Oreo." said the old butler.

The thoughts of every adults in the area: 'Fuck! You call something this big with a cute name like Oreo!?'

Then they all watch the adorable boy went down from their general's arms and run towards the big dog named Oreo. The huge dog bark happily when it saw his master.

Bark!

"Oreo~ Daddy brought you over as well~ haha~" said Chino as he hugs the huge dog but since his arms were too short he could only wrap his arms on the dog's face. Looking at the joyous reaction of the big dog being hug by their young master made then realized that the Tibetan Mastiff is indeed Ximen Chino's pet and its name is really Oreo.

'Damn! Its name is really Oreo. I thought only Shih Tzu and other small dogs can be called with such a cuddy name.' The adults thoughts at this moment.

Chapter 159: 6.20 Third Green Star - Unknown Dangers

At the seaside.

With Chino on the lead, the other children were playing with the huge dog called Oreo. The other children were some survivors that the Unit had saved on their way. Of course, for safety there are some adults watching not far away from them. This includes the General, Uncle Wu, Wang Lei and Lou Lan.

The Old Butler stood closer to the children especially shadowing his young master. This old man had missed his young master and was not willing to let him out of his sight. He is doing his job as the Chino's protector as he promised Ximen Xueya.

Seated at the porch of the villa Cao Junye gazed at the soldiers who wanted to smoke a cold glance. There's obviously a warning within those purple orbs. Those who really wanted to smoke a cigarette had to move few meters away from the young master before they could feel that the general is no longer glaring at them

Lou Lan asked, "General since when did Chino come over?"

"According to Uncle Wu, Xueya dropped by in the middle of the night yesterday. Since Chino wanted to see me, Xueya brought the child over. Chino would be staying with us for a few days or so." replied Cao Junye as his eyes always wonder back to where his son is.

Wang Lei spoke, "General with this we could speculate that Master Ximen is indeed an ability user and a very powerful one at most."

"Of course he is powerful. He is my wife after all." replied Cao Junye with a grin.

Lou Lan murmured, "But your wife is still angry at you and is not willing to go home. Serves you right~"

Wang Lei warned to his lover, "Lan'er don't be rude!"

"Hmp! I only spoke the truth!" said Lou Lan before moving away from these two annoying men and walking towards the children instead.

Wang Lei spoke, "General please forgive Lan'er's rudeness."

"I don't mind. As he says it's the truth anyway."

"What do you think is Master Ximen's ability?" asked Wang Lei.

"High leveled Space and Ice Elements." answered Cao Junye without hesitation as if he was sure that his right.

"Dual Ability User!? Is this for real!?"

"Yes. What are surprises for? I am a Dual Darkness and Thunder Ability user. While my son could control both Ice and Light Elements. It's normal in our family."

Wang Lei who is only a Wind Ability User remained silent in the unfairness of the world.

"Gather the injured men after lunch. I will ask my son to treat them. Afterwards prepare for tomorrow's departure." commanded Cao Junye.

Wang Lei salutes as he receives his orders.

"Yes Sir!" Then he watched as his general stood up and approached Chino with a pampering smile. He played with the young master like how father's play with their sons.

X District

It's supposed to be a land full of golden colored grain plants standing proudly in line of the farms on each side of the road. Normally those plants would be swaying in accordance to the direction where the wind blows. Sadly the season is not up for it.

The sudden dropped in temperature instantly turned the place into an ice land. There are some man made scarecrows standing at the middle of the farmland but even those turned into an ice statue.

The district is abandoned like all other districts. The land is silent and only the sound of wind blowing partnered with snow could be heard and seen. novelusb.com

Knowing that they've arrived in their destination, Yun Suisen woke up his lover as he was told to do so. He gently shook the elder man napping beside him gently.

Yun Suisen whispered, "Ge. Ge! We are here!"

The sleeping man groggily opened his eyes from being shaken. He looks at the outside scenery from beyond the car windows.

Shi Moye yawns and says, "So we're here. Drive straight then turn left. The last warehouse would be our target building but there would be survivors inside. Keep you guard up but don't be the first one to attack. The other side has a larger number."

"Yes, sir!" responded by his team members.

It didn't take a while for them to reach their destination. As Shi Moye expected, those people who resided inside the warehouse had noticed their arrival.

Some men left to guard the warehouse entrance were holding guns on them. When they've noticed the lights from the incoming car they know that there are survivors coming over their temporary hideout.

"Is that a car?"

"There are survivors! Inform the leader. We gave guests."

"Okay! Right away!"

One of the guards ran inside to report. While the others block Shi Moye and his team from directly entering their territory.

Shi Moye ordered one of his men to have a conversation with one of the men guarding the warehouse. He told him to inform them that they were people from Z District base called Hope.

Hearing that they were people from Hope Base, another person was tasked to report once more. This time reporting the identities of the guests before them. Upon hearing they were people from Hope Base, the other side had temporarily welcomed them inside the warehouse.

From Shi Moye's side only him and Yun Suisen had gone down the cat to meet the leader of the other side. They were escorted inside the warehouse. Yun Suisen followed Shi Moye without fear on his face.

After working for the Ximen Family for years, Suisen had met all kinds of people from politicians to military, business men to elite working men, even mercenaries and police authorities had been welcomed by him to the Ximen Mansion as long they were his Master's guest.

Shi Moye reacted calmly as usual. He is someone who had the standing as a Major in the military. He also had met the former State Head and Prime Minister as well as the notorious General Cao. It would be hard to make him anxious for this kind of event.

They were escorted to meet the leader of the opposite group. After entering the interior of the warehouse Shi Moye could see that the opposite side had members ranging from 20 to 30 people.

At the center of the group is a muscular man who wears all black clothes from top to down. The tightly fitted clothes on him made his stone hard muscles to be easily traced even with his clothes on. This man is quite handsome but not as much as General Cao.

His wild look and beast like aura made it feel that they were facing a wild beast instead of a human.

Shi Moye's thoughts: 'So this man is Su Liye. According to my past memory this man had killed over half of the elite clan members who lied at him. He killed both those who sinned and innocent ones during his raging anger and hatred for being lied for.

Unfortunately he still died under the hands of General Cao who wasn't able to bring back this man's sanity for losing all his members due to schemes. At the end this man died with regrets not even being able to close his eyes properly to welcome his death. He is such a pitiful person.'

Shi Moye and Su Liye exchanged glances. They've recognised each other as former partners who had worked together before.

Su Liye, "Major Shi of Sky Wolf special force."

Shi Moye, "Su Liye of Metropolitan Police Head District."

"You've survived. It's not unexpected." said Su Liye with a smirk.

Shi Moye smiled a bit and replied, "I'm more surprised to see you here. Aren't you supposed to be abroad doing missions?"

"Got back last Christmas Eve. But who would have thought that the world would suddenly arrive. Shit!"

"Your family... Sorry, forget I've asked."

"It's fine. I wanted your help to find them. How high is your position at the Hope Base?"

"Just below General Cao. Since the former isn't back yet I am currently the nominated leader of Hope Base."

Su Liye's eyes sparkled when he heard Shi Moye's answer. He took large strides and walked towards Shi Moye with urgency at every step. Once he stood straight in front of Shi Moye, Su Liye suddenly lowered his head. His members also followed his action and lowered their heads as well.

This scene astonished Yun Suisen. Only Shi Moye reacted calmly and stayed silent.

Su Liye spoke, "Please help us check whether our family safely joins your Hope Base. I am willing to provide you 70% of the grains in this granary."

Everyone echoes after him, "Please help us look for our families!"

Shi Moye was startled at first but reacted as soon as possible. He pats Su Liye's shoulder and makes him look up.

"I will help you. Please raise your heads. With my life in line, I vow to provide you help to find your families in Hope Base. As the current leader of Hope Base will try my best to provide anything you need."

Everyone including Su Liye was delighted with Shi Moye's promise because of this the two sides had happily entered party mode for the rest of the day. Providing food from both sides, everyone had joyously enjoyed the happy moment. Shi Moye's protagonist halo had worked properly for this event since Xueya had made no movement of interference.

The groups choose to take the rest of the day. Staying at the warehouse, enjoying the short peacefulness they have right now. What they didn't know is that the weather outside the warehouse started to change dramatically. The snow had stopped falling and even the temperature had started to escalate. In this situation it would only take a few days for the accumulated snow to completely melt. When that time comes all the frozen zombies would once again start to bring chaos to the land of living.

Three days had passed peacefully.

The snow had started melting to the point people could notice the changes. Except for the bit of coldness in temperature, there is no need for the people to wear thick clothes like before. A simple coat or jacket would be able to protect them from the slight coldness in air.

Within those few days, Cao Junye and his team had successfully reached S District. Unlike before the unit under the orders of the general didn't waste their time to make some stop over to some district to

gather materials. This is thanks to Ximen Chino who had a full 3 warehouse sized resources stored on his ring. Those resources were something his daddy had intentionally left in his son's space ring to be indirectly passed to his father and his unit use.

Ximen Chino happily gave away his space right to his father after being coaxed properly by Cao Junye. With the rest of Chino's redemption ticket he was able to buy another space ring for his own use. His Uncle Yue who was protecting him in silence didn't forget to provide him the necessary materials for his nephew's use. Thought most of these resources were taken from the dimensional space his host owns.

They are now about roaming around the S District. The small yet luxurious town was now ruined. The buildings were all semi destroyed and wrecked for some unknown reason. Ever since Cao Junye and the rest had entered this district, there's a weird feeling that made them want to leave this place as soon as possible. But they couldn't as the sun is about to set. It is more dangerous to take their leave during the night than in the morning.

Cao Junye is looking around the area with surveying and guarded gaze while walking beside his son who is riding on the top of Oreo. The little bun is happily humming a children's song he learned from his playmates. Sadly his playmates couldn't roam outside with him. They are weaker and unawakened unlike him. So most of the children and elderlies were riding on the bus which was left abandoned in some districts.

A small team led by Cao Junye and Wang Lei played a vanguard for the unit. They were walking instead of riding the car because Chino says he wanted to play around outside. In the beginning Cao Junye didn't want to allow Chino to walk around and there was a car. Only when he heard that Xueya indulged the boy to play around unhindered in this kind of situation, that he had no other choice but to spoil the little bun as well. Afraid of being ignored by his own son. Moreover if he made his son cry, his wife would kill him for it.

"Father, Chi-chan remembers this place. Chi-chan's old house is in this place!" said Chino.

Lou Lan who was walking on the other side of his nephew finally remembered that the Ximen Family used to reside in S District. The Ximen Mansion exists in this area.

"Now that our little darling says it. The Mansion should be not far away. Baby~ did your daddy change the security code of the house?" asked Lou Lan sweetly to the boy beside him.

"Code?? No~ Before we leave for vacation, there are still servants in this place."

Chino answered clearly the meaning of his answer is vague. The little bun was saying that before his daddy had taken him to a long drive there were still servants left in the mansion. Which could only mean that the possibility of the security code of the mansion being left unchanged has a higher chance.

Cao Junye decided to use the Ximen Mansion as their temporary base as they couldn't really leave this area now that the sun is about to set.

"Head to the Ximen Mansion. We will stay the night there." said Cao Junye.

"Baby~ tell father which way is your old house."

Chino pointed the direction to his old house happily. "Okay" go that way, father. Our house is just few streets away"

Smiling at his son's playful tone, Cao Junye could really see the resemblance Chino has with Xueya. Only towards him that they both act childish and coquettish. The last one is done by Xueya when flirting with his husband.

Their group followed the young master's direction which leads to the Ximen Mansion. What they didn't know is that within the small forest that surrounds the whole district a pair of huge vertical bearded irises watching them silently. Those eyes stare at them from a distance but could still perceive their existence, it watches the group as if staring at their future prey.

Chapter 160: 6.21 Third Green Star - A Huge...

S District.

Ximen Mansion.

Before the sun had completely set. The group had finally reached the old mansion owned by the Ximen Family. Everyone was looking at the clean and flawless mansion standing before them. Even the steel gates of the mansion remain undamaged except for some few speck of sand and dirt covering it, the place is completely intact and unbroken.

Among the houses and buildings in the whole S district only this mansion and the land it stood on was left untouched for some reason. Everyone, even Cao Junye, felt something was wrong with this place. They had seen the ruined areas in this district. Some the houses were completely ruined as if it was left incompletely demolished. There are even some nearby villas which lost its roof as if pried off by something. Only this Ximen Mansion remained untouched for mysterious reasons.

The little bun who saw his old house happy ordered his dog, Oreo, to move towards the door. Following behind him is Lou Lan and Cao Junye who worries about his son's safety.

"Father, come this way. This is our old house" said Chino as he gestured to Cao Junye to come over to him. Then he looked at his uncle Lou, "Uncle Lou" hurry. Open the gates"

Lou Lan helplessly smiles as he approaches the mansion's gate inputting the original security code he remembers. After entering a few series of codes, the steel gates made a clicking sound and slowly opened for them. Seeing this Lou Lan sighed in relief knowing that he had entered the right codes.

"Father hurry" hurry! Let's go inside the house! Chi-chan will guide~"

"Haha~ then Chi-chan has to tour around father inside the place. It's father's first time visiting." said Cao Junye who carried his son in arms after taking him from the back of the now whining huge dog, Oreo.

Oreo only whined for a few seconds but didn't dare to attack Cao Junye. Not only his master treats this man the same as he treats that godly person, this man had an even scarier aura. He could only instinctively lower himself in Cao Junye's presence.

Everyone took a rest and resides inside the mansion. The mansion had been left alone for months and some places were covered in dust. The females and children, even the men, were tasked to clean the

mansion. It doesn't need to be clean thoroughly as they only planned to stay one night over. As long the dust was wiped away and swept the dirty on the floor and walls, everything would be usable.

For the cold evening, they even light up the fireplace within the mansion. This was able to keep them warm for the whole night.

Past midnight as the sky had fully darkened and when most humans had gone to sleep. A sound of something crawling could be heard within the S District. The subtle sound cannot be easily perceived by human ears but it is a different story for animals with enhanced hearing. The movement was done carefully yet it cannot be ignored fully.

There are few sounds and male survivors tasked to do some night vigil. Since the soldiers were tired from the whole journey as they continuously fought zombies this morning, the first half of night vigil was left to some male civilians.

The civilians accepted the jobs without fuss as they were in awe yet frightened by the general's existence. The survivors had seen how the general eliminate those zombies that chase after it.

Within the mansion at the Master's bedroom, Cao Junye and Ximen Chino were peacefully sleeping on the bed. The small one was sleeping serenely besides his father. But the child's sleeping figure is a bit not good.

Chino slept upright facing the ceiling but his arms and legs were stretched widely at each side. One of his legs was pressing on his father's stomach. Sometimes kicking as if fighting something in his dream. But as his skin is thick, Cao Junye was able to sleep peacefully even as he got a kick in the gut from the child.

The puppy Tibetan Mastiff named Oreo is currently sleeping beside their bed not far from his sleeping master, Ximen Chino.

All of the sudden, Oreo who had his eyes closed suddenly woke up and ran towards the window connected to the veranda of the room. Just outside the veranda is the gates of the mansion. Oreo looks around at the dark horizons and starts growling as if seeing an enemy.

Growls~ Grr~~ Growls~~

This sudden animal sound Oreo started producing had immediately woke up Cao Junye who was in the same room. At the beginning the general chooses to ignore it as none of the soldiers come to report to him. There are few soldiers left on night vigil. They were tasked to report immediately at any changes in the surroundings.

When a scream was suddenly heard from outside the mansion and the bark of Oreo had gotten serious, Cao Junye finally realized that something had happened. He instantly woke up and picked the gun he placed at the side table. He cautiously approached the window and peered to see what was happening outside.

But the scenery outside had stunned him. A huge olive snake with brown spots all over its body but the size isn't a joke either. The snake had the length that could wrap a huge building and it's height could stretch up to a 2 floor building.

Hiss~ Hiss!

Cao Junye murmured, "Anaconda?!"

The general watched silently as the huge snake swallowed the guards who were tasked with night vigil. It only took two gulps for an adult man to gulp down one human. At this moment the snake had its body wrapped around the mansion's building but for some unknown reason it didn't dare to destroy the house.

All it did is slurp humans inside the mansion and eat them. Clearly this huge animal is the cause of the ruination of the whole S District yet it is somewhat afraid of touching this mansion. If not before there is food inside the mansion Cao Junye was sure that this snake would dare to come out.

The loud barking of Oreo made the snake stare at the room where Cao Junye and Ximen Chino reside. The general even met eyes with the anaconda. But aside from looking, the snake didn't dare to approach the room where Cao Junye and his son are.

Now chaos had fallen and hell had risen from within the house. The children and ordinary people were screaming their lungs out seeing a humongous snake before then. While the soldiers and other ability users attack the snake with guns and elemental attacks.

AAHHHH! A huge snake!!

It's a mutated snake!!

RUN!!!

Bang. Bang. Bang.

Unfortunately, guns and bullets weren't of any use as the skin of the snake only issued a sound when hit but bullets. The same sound when a bullet proof metal was shot by guns. It left no trace on the snake's thick skin. Thankfully the elemental attacks were useful. It was able to leave a scratch on it but sadly not that much. The abilities of the awakened were too low and this mutated snake's level is too high.

It was at this moment that Chino woke up and Uncle Wu barged in the room.

Bam! The sound of the door being forcibly opened.

"Father? What is that sound? yawns~~"

"General!!?" yelled Uncle Wu.

Cao Junye approached his son and carried him in his arms. Then he passed the boy to the Old Butler in front of him and got out after wearing his armor. Chino securely followed the side of the old butler as his master is with him.

Cao Junye spoke, "Uncle Wu, bring Chino and the rest to safety. Bring them to the inner place of the mansion but don't get out. For some reason that snake is not willing to destroy this mansion."

"Yes! As you ordered." said the Old Butler.

Chino calls, "Father?~"

"Baby stay with Grandpa Wu for a while okay? Father has work to do." said Cao Junye with a smile.

"Oh~ I will. Father be careful." replied Chino. Hearing this concern Cao Junye gave his son's forehead a light kiss.

As soon as they got out of the room, they bumped into Wang Lei and an ashen face Lou Lan who came over to check on them.

"General!" called Wang Lei.

"Report!"

"According to some of our people. They heard a sound of something crawling and a certain feeling of danger hit them. When they were about to check the outside of the mansion, they were welcomed with the scene of the mutated snake snacking on the guard at night vigil! There are now 10 deaths and most of them were survivors that ran out of the mansion to escape. It seems that the snake had wrapped itself to the whole mansion!"

With a dark face, Cao Junye strides to the entrance of the building. Behind him were ability users from his unit and some courageous survivors who wanted to avenge the deaths of their friends and family. Wang Lei ordered the soldiers to continue attacking the snake without getting out of the mansion.

Wang Lei murmured, "Why is it not entering the mansion? Not even daring to touch the mansion?"

Cao Junye's eyes narrowed as if he thought of something.

"Stay here. I need to check on something."

"Yes, general."

Then everyone watches as their general walks out of the mansion towards the snake. His steps were slow but it shows no indication of fear at all.

"G-General what are you... doing!?"

"Stop!!!" But Cao Junye turned deaf ears on them and continue to walk forward.

Seeing Cao Junye walk out of the mansion the snake only stares at him. The general stood before the snake but for some reason it didn't attack the general at all.

This scene shocked everyone inside the mansion.

Lou Lan spoke, "W-What is this!? What is happening? Why isn't the snake attacking the general!?"

"That... I don't know either." Replied Wang Lei bewildered.

Cao Junye frowned as he looked at the huge snake with bright eyes.

"Uncle Wu, come over without Chino." said Cao Junye.

The Old butler said, "Please look after the young master."

"I will." replied Lou Lan. They didn't even notice the eyes of the young child and the big puppy Tibetan Mastiff sparkled at seeing the huge olive colored snake outside the house.

Hearing this the old butler had passed the young master to his Uncle Lou as he walked fearlessly towards the general. Even without understanding the weird situation this old butler still approached the snake with his usual smile. Everyone watches as the old butler walks forward and reaches the space beside the general. Unexpectedly the snake once again didn't attack.

"One more attempt. Wang Lei, you come over. But if something happens, immediately run inside the mansion." said Cao Junye.

Wang Lei's eyes widened in astonishment and could now somewhat understand the reason for the general's actions. "Yes, general."

Everyone once again closely watches as their Lieutenant walks towards their general but unlike the first two, the steps of Wang Lei is full of vigilance as he stares at every gesture the huge snake makes. It's long tongue slitters each time a human approaches him. When the general and the old butler had gone out of the mansion the tongue of the snake slitters as well but it's eyes remain dull.

The beaded vertical irises of the snakes narrowed as if showing annoyance at the two presence yet when it was Wang Lei's turn, that snake reacted differently. As before Wang Lei even took a step outside the mansion, the huge snake attacked out of nowhere with its mouth open wide intending to bite Wang Lei.

HIIISSSSS!!!

But Wang Lei had expected this and instantly formed a small tornado in front of him which pushed away the huge head of the snake and jumped back inside the mansion. Everyone else was surprised with this event. They couldn't understand why the General and Uncle Wu weren't attacked by the snake but the lieutenant did.

Cao Junye spoke, "Just as I thought."

"What is happening, Master? Why is this snake not attacking us but wanted to eat Wang Lei?" asked the Old Butler.

"I am not sure but... I think this snake is afraid of someone. It's fear made it not able to harm those connected to that person. But Wang Lei had not much interaction with this person but I, you, Lou Lan and Chino would most likely not be attacked because..."

"Because we had a lingering scent of Xueya on our bodies which made the snake afraid. Is that this the reason?"

It was Lou Lan who suddenly appeared beside them now looking at the frustrated huge snake in front of them. Chino was left inside the mansion riding on the back of Oreo. Cao Junye nodded his head agreeing to every word Lou Lan had spoken.

"It didn't dare to destroy the mansion for the same reason. The problem is this snake would attack anyone aside from the four of us and this snake is quite intelligent. It would camp outside the mansion waiting for its prey to come out one at time. Aside from us, it would attack and eat everyone else." explained Cao Junye.

"How about going out with us? Will this snake still attack?" asked Lou Lan.

At this question not only Cao Junye but even the old butler frowned. There is a possibility of the snake not attacking the group like how they've entered the mansion but thinking of this snake sneaking at this moment made them think twice. If that is indeed the case, why would it start attacking now. They were afraid to take the risk of coming out of the mansion with someone else because of this.

While the adults were thinking of how to solve this problem, none of them had noticed that their naughty young master who is currently riding on Oreo's back let some of his few friends ride with him. Now on the top of Oreo's back is not only Chino but another boy whose name is unknown.

Then without anyone noticing Chino ordered Oreo to run out of the mansion with that child. His intention is to play around by running all over the place with Oreo and his friend. Oreo dashed outside the mansion before Wang Lei even noticed him leaving.

"Chino!? Wait, it's dangerous!!" yelled Wang Lei.

The child ignored him as expected. "Hahaha~ Oreo, run faster!!!"

"Chi-chan! (Young Master!!)"

What they've feared the most has happened. Chino who was riding on Oreo's back dashed out of the mansion if it's only that then there is no problem. The issue is, there is another child behind Chino. This child is one of the survivors they had saved on the way. The snake didn't attack right away but stared at the children for a few seconds as if it was confused with the scent of the children and the dog.

HISSSS!!!

But suddenly it dove towards the children with its mouth wide open, the mixed scent coming for the children had completely removed the fear Ximen Xueya had instilled within the snake. The snake might have mutated and been quite intelligent but it is still an animal. It wouldn't know the meaning of scents being mixed.

"CHINO!!!"