

## **Apocalypse 1291**

Chapter 1291: Breaking out of wheel's control

Her name wouldn't be Liu Zhenghong if she didn't do anything fresh.

This was the normal impression that everyone had of her.

Of course, Ye Zhongming felt the same way.

It wasn't that she was greedy for new things but because of her pride in her bones.

She was far more prideful than others.

In her profession and domain, she was used to being the best. That became a habit.

For example, this beast form. Liu Zhenghong consoled Le Dayuan and said that she would recover if she had time.

Naturally, she didn't want her guy to be worried.

But she really did have such a thought in her mind.

She was really confident that she could treat her illness.

She would definitely need a lot of time, and the process would be painful. But deep in her heart, she felt like there was some hope.

After Ye Zhongming found the materials, Candy made the antidote and passed it to Liu Zhenghong. Just when everyone felt that everything had come to an end, that even if it couldn't reverse the beast form, she would be mostly recovered. After all, apart from the beast form's outer appearance, which looked different from that of humans, it didn't affect anything else. If her appearance recovered, she would be as good as new.

Everyone waited to see the outcome, but she remained in the lab. She even wanted two sets of materials and antidotes.

At first, no one overthought about it and knew she was just studying it. That she wanted to analyse it before using it. Cloud Peak progressed quickly, and the few cooperations with factions went well. There were many things, so Ye Zhongming and the others didn't pay much attention.

When she reappeared before them all, everyone was shocked and then they didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

Sister Hong appeared by attacking Ye Zhongming.

Although she didn't succeed, she terrified Ye Zhongming. Sister Hong actually lasted for half a minute before she lost.

Naturally, a reason was because Ye Zhongming didn't go all out. But the fact that she lasted half a minute showed that she was very strong.

Ye Zhongming smiled at the recovered Liu Zhenghong, "Sister Hong, what are you doing? Antidote... Did you use it or not?"

Liu Zhenghong looked similar to humans, but another eye was in the middle of her forehead. It wasn't too big, and if it was closed, you could only see a small slit. Most people would think that it was a scar. It was only more obvious when it was opened.

"Of course, I used it, but I modified it."

Ye Zhongming sweated.

She modified it?

That was an antidote. Was she not afraid that it would change into a poison?

But he thought about her job and relaxed.

“Don’t worry, it is fine.” Liu Zhenhong said excitedly. She was still filled with the joy from the battle with Ye Zhongming. She only explained after she saw this little brother’s expression getting serious. ㄟ NOBĚĚ

“Just curing it is too low grade.” After she calmed down, she returned to her queen mode and placed her hands into her pocket.

“I analysed the pill that turned me into that, so I know its function and side effects.”

Liu Zhenhong reached a hand. As she had to do experiments often, some parts were rougher. There were even thin wounds left from the battle before.

Then, Ye Zhongming watched as that hand started to change. In a blink, it turned into the claw of a beast.

“This...”

“Beast form, can be controlled.” Liu Zhenhong said simply before saying, “I entered that state and obtained super strength. Although it is short I love that feeling.”

“I need to pay a price to get that strength. The antidote can reduce and even solve that price. Since that is the case, why can’t I change it? To change the antidote and shift the target...”

Thinking that Ye Zhongming wasn't her subordinate and didn't understand some professional phrases, she changed her words.

"Anyways, I succeeded. Although I couldn't obtain that overpowered strength, I changed my genes and used some mature and stable skills on my body." Liu Zhenhong used the green claw and tapped Ye Zhongming, "If I want, I can enter beast form, and my combat strength will multiply. You witnessed it, isn't it strong? The beast form body is much stronger than evolved of the same level."

"Can you ensure that it is stable? Also, did you discuss with Brother Le?"

That was what he was worried about. He didn't want her to go mad or cause Le Dayuan to have some views of her because of those changes.

"I told him, and he is okay." Her hand recovered, and she said calmly, "This ability became an instinct. Little Ye, do you understand? It isn't bloodline, job, or skill. It is an instinct."

Ye Zhongming's eyes opened wide.

He understood what she meant.

"Right, it is what you think. I turned beast form into an ability that I could control. It is the same as walking and running. If I am awake and can move, I can enter beast form mode. There is no cooldown and no time restriction!"

“You are saying...”

“I am saying that I turned some functions of the wheel into something I can use...”

After saying that, the two of them were silent.

Liu Zhenghong was silent because she was still excited even now. Ye Zhongming was silent because he thought a lot more.

Did the Talos Red Dwarves want Cloud Peak’s lab information because the universe races didn’t have something like that? Her actions had opened a new world?

“How long will it take for such skills to mature? How long until you can use it in scale?”

Facing Ye Zhongming’s question, Liu Zhenghong thought about it, “To be honest, I am not sure. After all, there is some element of luck to it. But since I am a living example, give me some time and I will solve it.”

“When the time comes, maybe we can stand above the universe races, even... Break free of its control!”

Chapter 1292: Lucky Village

Sister Hong gave him hope and then returned to her lab. She had too many things to do there.

Many topics shocked Ye Zhongming, but Liu Zhengong wasn't tired. She was enjoying it all.

This was the world of a genius.

A few days later, Yellow Ball was back. At the start, the guards didn't recognise it and thought it was a strong mutated lifeform that had rushed over. Only when it got close did they recognise it was Cloud Peak's pet.

Ye Zhongming was shocked when he saw it.

Yellow Ball didn't look like a dog!

It stood there, three meters in height and five meters in length. Its gold fur had changed and was not golden red, as if it was the water surface under the sunset.

Its head was huge, and its teeth were sharp. It opened its mouth, and you could sense the cold light coming from it. The forehead was the biggest change where there was a horn.

When Yangos saw it, it flapped its wings and said it was a dragon horn. The mark of the dragon!

Ye Zhongming felt that it was right. Due to the source steal, Yellow Ball would have some dragon race features.

Also, its tail changed. The fur grew shorter, and at the tip, there were two diamond-shaped scales. Under the light, it reflected a beautiful light.

The pair of eyes were different from before. One could see golden red blood vessels. When Yellow Ball stared at someone, they would feel terror in their soul.

But Yellow Ball's personality was the same as before. When it saw Ye Zhongming, it rushed over and wagged its tail like a fan. It bent its body and rubbed its head on Ye Zhongming's body. It wanted to lick, but Ye Zhongming stared at it to stop it.

Seeing his serious expression, this fellow even gave a pitiful look to the others around to bag them. That made Ye Zhongming roll his eyes.

Finally, Yellow Ball rolled on the ground with its legs facing the sky to reveal its belly for Ye Zhongming to scratch... It didn't look like it was level eight at all.

Although Ye Zhongming was slightly unhappy that Yellow Ball left on its own, Ye Zhongming was close to it. They knew each other before the apocalypse and went through a tough time afterward. He tapped Yellow Ball twice and forgave it.

Yellow Ball's return meant that Cloud Peak entered its strongest phrase.

In terms of level eight, they had Ye Zhongming, Red Hair, Yangos, Yellow Ball, Death King Tree, and three-nosed elephant. If you included the Posthumous People's Hong Xiang, Ling Kun, and Saint Light Hall's Saintess and two heads, Cloud Peak had over ten evolved lifeforms.

There were even more level seven lifeforms. Just Cloud Peak alone had 30.

If you looked outside, these people would shock all factions.

But Ye Zhongming didn't want to be so high profile. After all, Cloud Peak was strong because of Blue Secret Realm's two tribes and not himself.

Ye Zhongming knew this was the time to solve the black shadow monster.

On a sunny day, apart from a Saint Light Hall head in West Asia and Hong Xiang, who was left in the villa, the other level eight lifeforms went all out to surround the black figure. RàNòBĚs

It was in a small village called Lucky Village.

"This is the base of a branch of ZUY Battle Squad. From what we know, that squad lost connection. The timing matched the time when the black shadow escaped Cloud Peak."

Xia Bai and her squad were in charge of the surroundings. Xiao Min reported the latest news.

"ZUY Battle Squad sent people to search, but a 20-man squad also lost contact."

Ye Zhongming nodded, "How big was the squad before?"

Xiao Min recalled, "Roughly a hundred, but that is just the number of warriors. There should be families, and other evolved here."

Seeing that Ye Zhongming stopped asking, Xiao Min said, "As we were afraid we alerted that fellow, we didn't scout. The air scouts didn't even enter five kilometers, so we know nothing about the village."

"Also, a weird phenomenon has appeared around here recently. Any lifeform that entered the village disappeared."

After reporting it, Xia Bai and Xiao Min led Park Xiuying and the three-nosed elephant two kilometers away. Their main job was to prevent the black figure from heading toward Cloud Peak if they escaped. Ye Zhongming and the others will solve the rest.

Ye Zhongming signaled to Red Hair to tell her to start.

Red Hair rode the undead dragonfish. Ye Zhongming signaled to her where the monster was.

It was in one of the three story buildings at the center that was reinforced.

Through Red Hair, Ye Zhongming saw the situation inside.

There was no one in the village, not even one mutated lifeform.

The black shadow monster was as strong as a level eight. When so many level eight people got close, it definitely sensed something. But it didn't move and just stayed in that building.

Everyone found this weird.

Was this fellow going to surrender?

This was just a random thought. Such a terrifying fellow wouldn't surrender.

"There are two entrances; what should we do?"

The Saintess scouted and asked Ye Zhongming.

The monster was too quick. It was hard to grab unless they sealed it in a space. Two entrances meant that the lifeforms here had to split into two groups.

Ye Zhongming distributed them. Saintess, one head, Death King Tree, and Red Hair were together. The others used the other entrance. Yangos and the undead dragonfish were in charge of monitoring from outside.

They were too big and couldn't get in.

Ye Zhongming led Yellow Ball and entered the building together with Ling Kun.

A base was really important in the apocalypse. Many bases were built around a wheel, and this was no exception. The entrance Ye Zhongming chose was the only window on the second floor. The moment they entered, they saw a level three wheel. They went around the wheel and saw a dark corridor.

The wheel was shining slightly, but the back was dark. But it wasn't much to the three of them. When they passed the wheel, they became wary.

They saw dense corpses on the corridor.

Chapter 1293: Underground room

Ye Zhongming and Ling Kun had seen bloody scenes many times, and it was tough to make them feel anything. They were already numb to it.

But in such a dark room, to see so many orderly hung corpses, they found it slightly uncomfortable.

It was dark, cold, weird, and terrifying. This atmosphere filled one with a sense of danger, suppression, and unease.

Only Yellow Ball, who didn't know about all this, didn't fear anything. It looked forward with killing intent.

It raised its head and sniffed while giving out a low growl. Yellow Ball had realised that there was something that it had to be wary of.

Ye Zhongming and Ling Kun were both experts. They searched the bodies and found a weird phenomenon.

These corpses looked like they died a long time ago, but what they couldn't understand was why weren't they decomposing.

These mummies were different from those dried corpses. Ye Zhongming touched these corpses, and they were bouncy. Their blood vessels weren't dry and were even filled. But in other areas, they were like corpses.

"How did they die?" Ling Kun checked and saw that there weren't any obvious wounds. He touched the stomach, and with his experience, he judged that they didn't suffer from any serious internal injuries. All signs also showed that they were hung up after they died.

How did they die?

The moment they had such a thought, they found the answer quickly.

“Ear...” Ye Zhongming frowned. He saw that each corpse’s ear was being pierced, and it reached their heads.

Ling Kun took out a dagger and sliced open the heads of many corpses. He saw that they were empty.

Sucking the brain?

Ye Zhongming and Lingkun looked at each other and felt uncomfortable.

“It did it?” Lingkun asked instinctively.

Ye Zhongming smiled coldly, “Apart from it, there is nothing else.”

“It is moving towards you; be careful!”

Although he was sure the monster was nearby, he wasn’t sure exactly where it was. But when Ye Zhongming got in, and the monster started to move, he could lock onto it. When Lingkun studied the corpse, it moved and reached the first floor in a blink. It was heading toward where Saintess and Red Hair were at.

Ye Zhongming instinctively warned Red Hair.

“Saw it. It didn’t attack us but entered the... Basement.”

Red Hair’s news returned quickly. The black shadow didn’t attack them and charged through a door to enter the basement.

Ye Zhongming and Lingkun looked at the corpses and didn’t understand what it was doing.

Escaping or attacking them was something they expected. But why did it head into the basement?

The lifeform from the Secret Realm filled everyone with mystery.

The two of them led Yellow Ball down to the first floor to gather with the Saintess.

“There!”

She raised her chin toward a door that was shattered.

Ye Zhongming didn’t enter. He looked around. This was similar to the second floor, and some corpses were hanging outside. There were some on the ground, which were the ones that the Saintess and the others had seen.

Ye Zhongming glanced and then nodded. He took out four balls and tossed them in.

The balls gave off a warm light. As Ye Zhongming used some strength, the balls headed into all directions when they entered the basement.

Ye Zhongming counted. When he counted to three, he charged in and the others followed.

When everyone entered, the four balls hit the walls. After shattering, they turned into bright silver sand that attached to the walls and lit the enter basement.

The basement was huge, and it was modified. The ground wasn't flat and leaned downwards, placing them higher.

Although it was big, there wasn't a pillar in the center, and everything could be seen.

Everyone saw the black monster in the corner. Although there was some light, as everything was focused at the front, the deep areas were dark.

But to the level eight lifeforms here, such brightness was enough for them to see everything.

Each person was shocked.

The moment the black shadow escaped, everyone saw what it looked like. But now, it had changed.

It was bigger and looked much taller than humans. Its head, which was the same width as a shoulder, was now smaller, but its face still didn't have eyelids and lips.

Its neck grew longer, and the gills became more obvious. What was shocking was that the claw had grown back. The difference was that it was not a sharp claw anymore but ten tentacle-like organs.

There was a sharp fang-shaped thing at the tip.

“Human...”

A hoarse voice entered their ears and made everyone nervous.

This monster was speaking Chinese!

Each tone and voice was weird, but it was speaking!

This monster learned how to speak?

“Earth...”

Another word that shocked everyone.

This monster raised its meter-long hand and pointed toward Ye Zhongming.

“Cloud Peak...”

“Ye Zhongming...”

It had a weird expression, and said it word by word. It was as if it was using this method to tell Ye Zhongming and the others that it was learning it knew many things.

“Saintess... Ya Mei!”

Saintess gave a short scream when she heard that name!

Chapter 1294: Nine-winged Bird

This was a secret. Although it wasn't important, it was one of her most private secrets.

This was her birth name.

Since Saint Light Hall took her away, many years had passed, and the people who knew this name were already dead. No people knew that name anymore. She had not even recalled it for a long time.

But now, a big headed monster used a weird tone to say her name. This made her panic.

This was a name that even the Saint Father didn't know!

The only possibility was that this person was connected to her family and even her parents!

Like a secret that had been sealed for many years, no one could keep calm once it was brought up, especially by a monster.

The matter might be even more serious if you thought more about it.

But the Saintess was still the Saintess, someone who could decide to kill the Saint Father. After some thinking, she calmed down and stared at the monster. She said with a harsh tone, "Who are you? Why do you know that name?"

The others saw her reaction and roughly guessed what had happened. They all kept silent and didn't say anything.

"Ya Town, Xiangcha Street..."

The monster said two more location names; this time, even the head from Saint Light Hall was stunned.

He didn't know Xiangcha Street but had heard of Ya Town. That was the Saintess's home!

"Who are you?"

She nearly went mad. If this monster couldn't answer, she wouldn't let it go today.

"I come from the same place as you."

The monster said a few words consecutively, and he sounded more fluent.

The Saintess went silent. When Ye Zhongming looked at her, her expression even recovered, which surprised him.

"Nine-winged Bird! You are the nine-winged bird!"

She said with certainty.

The other people were confused, but the head and Posthumous people's expressions changed, and they stepped back.

"Ga ga!"

The monster laughed disgustingly, but that was its answer.

"It is the level nine demon monster from the Cursed Abyss!"

Saintess replied.

It was that demon monster?

Ye Zhongming was shocked.

He thought this monster was a strong lifeform, a subordinate that the level nine monster had sent over when everyone worked to close the black hole.

It charged to Earth because of an instinct or an order.

Who knew that this fellow was actually that level-nine lifeform!

Everyone who was confident in their operation today panicked.

If they were facing a level nine lifeform, one that did not worry about energy, then they were too weak.

But everyone realised that something was wrong. If it was that level-nine bird, then it didn't look like it.

“Didn't you always call me... Bastard? Also, I am just one of the wings!”

The demon monster answered everyone.

One of the nine wings?

It raised its hand, which was covered in tentacles. Everyone noticed that there was a shining gem where the tentacles and its arm connected.

“I was weak as I consumed a large amount of energy to pass the teleportation gate that was about to close. All of you caught me, and you injured me. That was the best chance to kill me, but I escaped.”  
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The white gem came alive and hid in its body along with its words, but the streaming marks of the gem beneath its skin could be seen.

“Now, all of you can’t kill me and don’t dare to kill me.”

The monster’s words were extremely fluent now.

“Your threats are of no use.”

Ye Zhongming wouldn’t believe what it said. On the contrary, he felt that this was the best chance.

“It isn’t lying.” Surprisingly, the Saintess replied.

“That white gem is the nine-winged bird’s life stone.”

“Life stone?”

The moment the Blue Secret Realm people heard the Saintess say that, they changed from disbelief to belief.

“This is one of the unique points of the nine-winged bird. The nine wings each have a life stone. If one clone is killed, the life stone will be activated and form a space gate. No matter how far away it is, it would teleport the main body over.”

The Saintess explained.

Like how that level nine demon monster in the Cursed Abyss paid attention to the humans, Saint Light Hall and the Posthumous People scouted the level nine monster. But the Posthumous People were weaker and couldn't enter Night Demon Plains.

The fact that nine-winged bird could pay attention to the Saintess since she was born and knew her hometown and maiden name. It was also not surprising that she knew about the life stone.

“You killed Earth lifeforms here. Apart from obtaining their memory, you are nurturing your life stone? I know that it didn't come from birth. You need large amounts of energy to nurture it.”

She clenched her fist.

Originally, killing this monster would mean breaking the wing of the nine-winged bird. They would lower its strength even if they couldn't reduce it to level eight.

Even if they reopened the space gate after, if they worked together, they wouldn't need to fear it anymore.

"Right, you are right."

"No, you are lying!"

The Saintess changed her tone and stared at the monster, "Your energy is not enough!"

"Life stone can only be used in Blue Secret Realm. You are on Earth, and your main body is still in the secret realm. Even if you activated it, your body won't be able to arrive."

How was it easy to teleport through two spaces?

Everyone was tempted to try.

"I think you can answer it. What do you think, Cloud Peak, Ye Zhongming." The monster didn't care and said toward Ye Zhongming.

Ye Zhongming nodded. He pointed at several spots in the basement and then said, "You know formations?"

Chapter 1295: Clone's ambition

The black shadow shook its head and gave that weird expression.

“I remember the number of humans that disappeared here recently. The corpses outside aren’t enough. There are obvious marks on the soil. I think you won’t be so bored to bury your food like that.”

Ye Zhongming said to the shadow while also explaining to his allies.

“If you are really the nine-winged bird, we have witnessed your space abilities. You can open so many long-range black holes and teleport so many demon monsters. You could even send your clone over.”

“Also, when you sacrificed those demon monsters, you showed your strength. To be honest, I am shocked. So, although I don’t believe that your main body can come, I don’t dare to take that gamble. I can’t win your main body.”

Ye Zhongming’s words shocked everyone. They didn’t notice what Ye Zhongming had seen. Especially the number of disappeared evolved. When Ye Zhongming asked, they were beside him but they didn’t think about it.

The marks on the ground weren’t too obvious. Although it was lit up, but the lightning wasn’t even. Along with this monster admitting that it was a clone, that attracted much of the attention.

“Also. Even if you are a clone, I think you don’t want to die. Apart from understanding Earth, you must have another goal. After noticing us, you didn’t flee and leave this place. You were waiting for us. Now, you can say your goal.”

Ye Zhongming was used to treat these lifeforms as intelligent people. He was more willing to see them as humans. If he did so, he would notice many things.

In the past, he might think that the monster was trapping him. Its final goal was to kill everyone. But now, Ye Zhongming wouldn't. He felt like it had other intentions.

It smiled.

"You are smart." It moved, and some tentacles stuck into the ground. The soil rolled, and a dozen corpses appeared. They stood there like mummies, and there were no signs of life.

"I don't know what, but I can sense that you did something to my body. No matter where I go, you can find me." It turned its head and used this action to express that it had noticed the mark.

"So I decided to chat with you. Be it our world or yours, it is a way to solve problems."

It sounded very humane.

"It was impossible before. I was injured and didn't even nurture the life stone, so I had no right to speak to you. But I can now. My strength recovered. Although I can't defeat all of you, I have a chance to escape. As for what happens if I die, my main body can take revenge."

It paused and pointed at everyone, "I am not lying. If I die, unless you are on my level, you can't stop the life stone from activating. Even if we are from a different world, as long as we have enough energy, it would be okay. Haha, there is actually enough energy."

It looked at the corpses.

The humans were silent and were judging the validity of this matter. They were also guessing what the monster might demand.

“I know that you want our world that is about to collapse, right?” The black shadow started to talk about what it was thinking about.

“But, you don’t have a level nine presence and can’t face my main body.”

“If this continues, you will lose everything... Crystals, materials, mines, hunting fields... Everything!”

“Am I right?”

Ye Zhongming nodded, “Right, if that happens, we can only wait until one of us becomes level nine before we reopen the space gate. But that needs time. It might take a few months, a year, even longer.”  
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The black shadow signaled that it was totally correct. Seemed like it was information it got from evolved.

“I can help you!”

Ye Zhongming looked at it briefly and shook his head, “I don’t think you can.”

The black shadow was just a clone. It was, at most, slightly stronger than a level eight. How could it solve this problem? Would the main body listened to it and return to the Cursed Abyss?

“Don’t underestimate me!”

The black shadow raised its voice.

“Although I am just one wing, I have unimaginable abilities. Do you not realise your biggest problem? Your space gate is fixed.”

“You can change it?”

It smiled, “Of course.”

“There is no proof of that.”

“I have an opportunity to teleport you to Cursed Abyss. When you get there, find the hammer. With that hammer, I can reshape the space gate for you. You can open it at any part of my world when the time comes.”

Ye Zhongming was tempted but still asked, “What is that hammer?”

The black shadow thought, “It is a hammer placed on the magma ocean’s Heaven Crafting Platform. It is one of our world’s space artifacts that can change space.”

“Space artifact? What is that?” Ye Zhongming and Red Hair communicated with each other.

“Each world has things that they nurture to represent the source of the world. Our world has three space artifacts. Saint Pool, Gate of Blessing, and Time Hammer!”

He hadn’t heard this before from the Saintess of kings. Maybe they weren’t strong enough to know about this.

“Does our world have something like that?” Ye Zhongming asked.

“Of course. Each world has Saint artifacts, but the numbers are different. The more there are, the stronger the world will be. Our world has three. It isn’t the fewest and isn’t the most.”

Ye Zhongming took some time to digest its information.

Half a minute later, he looked at the black shadow, "What do you want?"

It straightened its body.

"I want to become the main body."