

Apocalypse 1371

Chapter 1371: Dangerous moment

With Ye Zhongming's state, he wasn't afraid of these people attacking him. He still had trump cards like the elemental elf's second life.

But each trump card was precious, so using them was a waste.

To be honest, there was no value in using them on these people.

He could only find a chance to break free if these people didn't bring the space equipment over. Even if they continued tying him up, with his body qualities, it would take a day for him to break free.

Naturally, he would recover combat strength. Although he couldn't fight people of the same level, he could still deal with these.

But these people told him to open his space. Did they want to die?

But that leader pulled his hand back.

He frowned and looked at the few space equipment. He walked further behind and called his men to discuss something.

He also realised that once the space had something dangerous, they would be defenseless.

Ye Zhongming smiled.

As expected, no one was stupid in the apocalypse.

These people didn't have any good ideas and actually just left. Those few people continued to watch Ye Zhongming.

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Cloud Peak.

Cloud Peak had their most intense conflict since they were built!

“You are the protector squad; you are supposed to stay back and guard the home!”

Little Tiger stared. The black eyepiece made him look vicious.

Usually, if Little Tiger vented his anger, the others wouldn't say much. After all, he wasn't old but was one of the most powerful people in Cloud Peak. He belonged to the same batch as the few in charge, like Xia Lei, Mo Ye, etc.

But Sister Rong did not back down. She pointed at his nose and said, "Protector Squad doesn't mean we are weak. We are only listening to Ye Zhongming and Xia Lei's orders. We might not be weaker than your battle squad. Why not we test it out?"

Little Tiger smacked the table. The stone table cracked. He was in a bad mood and couldn't control his strength.

"So be it. The loser stays here!"

"Little Tiger, your team is always sent out; it is our turn. Protector Squad and main battle squad have different roles; it didn't mean we can only stay back."

Tang Tian said solemnly. Due to Candy, Little Tiger was his brother-in-law. Others would be afraid of Little Tiger, but he won't.

Who knew that Little Tiger wouldn't give face at all. When Tang Tian said that, Little Tiger stretched his neck, "I can agree to everything but this!"

Tang Tian's face turned ugly.

"Enough, keep quiet!"

Xia Lei's voice wasn't loud, but everyone quieted down. They saw the most powerful leader after Ye Zhongming.

"Cloud Peak is our foundation. The defensive system just got perfected, and the surrounding factions have this as the core. Puxing Town and the blissful Ying City are getting more prosperous. We also have three large-scale labs, an underground experimental ground, delicacies, a medicine factory, gun production lines, gene lifeform, and demon crystal production."

"Are we going to give up on all of them and let others take them over?"

"So, someone has to guard the home!"

A sentence decided that someone had to remain.

"Things are too sudden this time. Zhongming has gone missing for three days. I understand everyone wants to search for him, but we can't abandon Cloud Peak. If we find him but lose his house, how will we answer to him?"

Everyone went silent. Little Tiger also sat down.

"It is important to defend our home; that is also a contribution. What do you all think?"

Xia Lei used this method to make everyone believe and trust.

“Sister Lei, you make arrangements.”

Mo ye’s words passed all the decision-making to Xia Lei.

“Sister Rong, you have been in charge of Cloud Peak’s defense, so you understand this place the best. So we need your help on this.”

Sister Rong looked disappointed, but she still nodded and agreed.

“Little Tiger, your attitude is bad. You will also stay to help Sister Rong.”

Little Tiger was stunned and wanted to say something, but he saw her gaze. He lowered his head in a defeated manner and knew that this was his punishment.

“Then, you must find the boss.”

Hearing the kid grumble and mumble, everyone laughed. So did Sister Rong.

“Little Ye, you also stay. You will lead. Leader Ah Tao, your men can stay too.”

Ah Tao was the leader of the Posthumous People that joined Cloud Peak. They were indeed not suited to head out for missions as they would clash with people from Earth.

“Shengyuan will stay too. Sister Hong and Master Le needs you. I wouldn’t be at ease if it was someone else.”

Shengyuan shook his head and knew that she was telling the truth.

“The situation is special. The rest will be split into two groups. I will bring people to Thousand Beast Villa. Guang Yao and Tang Tian follow me. The rest head to Cold Bay Rainforest to find him.”

“Remember, before we reach Thousand Beast Villa, if you find Ye Zhongming, get him to rush over. I will then head back. If I arrive and we still don’t have news, I will attend. Remember, we need to keep this a secret! If not...”

Everyone knew that once this news spread, Cloud Peak’s enemies and those who wanted their technology, even their friends would pounce and swallow them up.

Even if he returned, he would be the only one left. There wouldn’t be much he could do and he would just fall.

The apocalypse wasn’t a place for individuals.

Xia Lei stood up, "This is the most serious moment since Ye Zhongming first entered the Secret Realm. Try our best."

The meeting ended.

The entire Cloud Peak started making moves.

Chapter 1372: Mocking gaze

From the conversation of the few guards, this battle squad was called Light Wing. Ye Zhongming thought about it but had never heard about them in his two lives.

This was a small battle squad that lived around the rainforest. They had around a hundred members who weren't very strong. But the leader and a few others were decent. The boss was a six-star evolved, and the others were five-star.

They were a very typical battle squad in the apocalypse. The lower layer evolved weren't high leveled and the upper layer ones were strong.

This was a reliance and ripping-off relationship.

The lower layer evolved relied on the organisation and boss to protect themselves from being eliminated from the world. The boss relied on the subordinates' values to strengthen themselves.

They were in a better situation than battle squads in other regions. After all, the rainforest had an abundant amount of resources. The Light Wing battle squad developed quickly, especially when it wasn't that dangerous inside, and many of their levels increased.

That smart person looked at Ye Zhongming and observed. This person wasn't very usable, as the few allies around had no thoughts about betraying Light Wing and were doing their duties. This person, be it strength or status, wasn't able to order or affect the others, so even if he had thoughts of betraying, he was useless.

Moreover, Ye Zhongming estimated that this kid just wanted to get some benefits for him and maybe open his space equipment.

Ye Zhongming wouldn't expose his identity now as it would cause many uncertain outcomes. He wouldn't be able to guess if these people would respect him and let him go or if they would kill him as they were afraid of news being leaked.

Time passed, and a few hours later, this place was still very silent, as if nothing had happened.

But not far from this place, something happened that caused the various battle squads in the rainforest headaches.

Since yesterday, squads of female warriors started to dash about the camps in the area.

They were very weird. They came to some camps and made rude requests to take a look. Because there weren't many of them and they wore good equipment, some people were tempted to attack them. They were then attacked. Not only did they fight back, they went all out and killed these people. No one knew what they were searching for, but anyone who stopped them was killed.

No one expected them to be so strong. A few dozen of them were like huge armies, and no battle squad could block them.

News spread, and everyone learned. These women didn't want to wipe the organizations out and were searching for something. If they were let in, they wouldn't kill anyone and would leave after searching.

So, their search was very efficient.

Of course, the most terrifying thing was the female evolved flying in the sky. She held a scythe like the god of death, landing directly into the camps. Be it people who came to ask or those who tried to stop her because they thought she was an enemy, the moment they showed animosity, this woman would kill them mercilessly.

In a short two days, more than half of the factions around were visited by these women, and many people died. But there was nothing they could do. People did fight back. There were some six-star and many five-star evolved that made up a thousand-men battle squad who attacked them, but the hundred females destroyed them. They left a few hundred corpses, killing the leadership level and wiping out that organisation.

These women didn't chase and continued to search. Based on the people who witnessed that battle, their expressions didn't change.

Everyone knew that these female killers weren't in a good mood.

This storm continued, and it still hadn't affected Light Wing battle squad. The boss left for half a day before reappearing. Along with him was a middle-aged man with twenty bodyguards.

"Brother Long, he is the one."

Light Wing's boss was very respectful.

The person called Brother Long acknowledged and looked at Ye Zhongming. He then looked at the monster without crystals and told Light Wing's boss to hand him the space equipment.

Ye Zhongming frowned. He knew that Brother Long was the help that was found. Was it a good smith or a special space job user? If not, what could he do with the equipment?

Brother Long was more knowledgeable than Light Wing. He looked at the battle contribution badge and bit it. He said, "This thing is mine."

Light Wing's boss hesitated. Since the space equipment was the more important thing, he nodded unwillingly.

He then checked the few space equipment, "I want 70%."

Light Wing's boss was annoyed. They agreed to a 50/50 split, so why did he change his mind?

Brother Long said slowly, "You didn't mention how many equipment there was. Each of them has its own memory, and I would need to put in more effort. If you are not willing, then I will only open one."

Light Wing's boss stared at Brother Long.

He had did a little trick and told him that he had space equipment that needed opening. He didn't mention how many and thought it could cause Brother Long to take a slight loss. Who knew this person would ignore that and not give him face at all.

Although he would have to give up 20 more percent, having 30% was better than nothing.

Thus, he had no choice but to agree.

Brother Long smiled. He was satisfied with what he was about to get.

Close to four years had passed in the apocalypse. People with space equipment would be strong or have a faction that was strong. The good things inside would be plentiful.

"I also need to remind you, this person must have an identity. After I find a way to open the space equipment, even if he doesn't die, he would lose his mind. You need to handle the organization that would take revenge."

Light Wing's boss had a cruel smile, "We would all get things in a while; no one would leak this. This person will end up as a corpse so who would know? Even if he is the son of god, he has nothing to do with us!"

"Okay then." Brother Long walked slowly to Ye Zhongming. He looked at that injured face and pressed his head.

"Sorry, the world is like this. If you have to blame something, blame your life. It will hurt in a while, just bear with it and it will stop."

Power spread from his hand and entered Ye Zhongming's mind.

But Brother Long felt slightly weird. Why was the guy's gaze a little weird?

It was as if he was mocking him?

Chapter 1373: Heartless prisoner

Brother Long was a Darkness Witch.

This job was very different in the apocalypse.

Like Park Xiuying's Light Envoy, people envied his job.

The difference was one represented light, and one represented darkness.

Ye Zhongming was familiar with this job.

In the last life, a nine-star expert had this job. Everyone heard of his legends.

What people spread the most was how this witch fought. He could cause darkness regions, which were very cold and had poison. You couldn't see anything, and your mind would be disrupted...

If you entered his darkness domain, even if you were on the same level, you had no chance of living.

But the darkness domain had a very long cooldown and wouldn't be used normally.

Apart from that ability, Ye Zhongming knew another rumor: Mind Stealing.

This ability was similar to the Soul Searching Technique, but there was a difference. Soul Searching Technique was similar to memory replication or stealing, to turn the target's memory into a part of your own memory. Consciousness Stealing was more terrifying, shifting the target's mind to the skill user's body.

After use, if the target was strong, he wouldn't die and would just become a fool. Those weaker ones would die.

This skill was very special, and to a certain extent, the user would become the target. The target's memories, abilities, and emotions would be inherited, which was very different from memory stealing.

However, the consciousness inheritance wouldn't last for a long time and would disappear quickly. It wouldn't affect the user's own consciousness.

Honestly, this ability was terrifying because you had no secrets in front of a person with this ability. If someone used that skill, death wasn't the most terrifying. That person would know everything about you, even your darkest secrets.

In the last life, people feared this job.

Ye Zhongming didn't know if he was lucky or not to bump into this job in this life.

He was unlucky because he didn't have much defense against such an ability.

He was lucky because he couldn't stop it but could still resist it.

This was a job skill. If a nine-star witch used the skill, no one could block it.

Things were different now. Brother Long was at most six-star. Ye Zhongming didn't see any signs of him evolving to intermediate grade- like Park Xiuying. One look, and you knew that she wasn't a basic job user. So unless this person had a lucky situation, a big situation, if not, his mental energy would be less than Ye Zhongming.

The amount of mental energy decided the success rate of that skill.

If the user's mental energy were stronger, he would succeed. If the difference were small, it would depend on luck. If the user had less mental energy, then... Of course, he would fail. This failure would also backfire.

Usually, the job user would have a mental energy advantage. Even people a level higher than him might not have more mental energy, so he didn't face any situation where he failed the skill.

When Ye Zhongming noticed this person with a dark aura walking over, he guessed his job. Only this job's consciousness-stealing skill could make him turn into Ye Zhongming and open the space equipment.

But Ye Zhongming was amused. Use it on him?

Maybe Ye Zhongming wasn't confident enough to say he was the strongest in the world. But in terms of mental energy, he had the most. Before nine-star evolved appeared, no one would have more mental energy than him.

Not even Brother Long, who had the Darkness Witch job.

This was the reason why he gave that mocking expression.

You could use it on anyone but chose to use it on me?

After the huge mental energy entered Ye Zhongming's mind, it felt as if drizzling rain was landing in the ocean, but it didn't cause many ripples.

Brother Long, who was confident and was thinking about getting rich, was stunned. He bled from all holes and fell to the ground.

This scene stunned everyone around. Only the Light Wing boss guessed something. He had seen Brother Long use the skill before, and it succeeded, which was why he would invite him this time. Last time, Brother Long placed his hand on the target's head. The target screamed, struggled, and then calmed.

It was too quick this time. Why did he fall? It failed, and it backfired? But it was too quick.

Brother Long and the guards panicked. They were sent by Brother Long's organisation to protect this rare job user. Now that this person died, there was no way they could explain it.

Light Wing members realised that this was a serious issue. Brother Long's faction was the strongest in this region. This person wasn't the strongest in the faction but was second in charge. Now that he died in Light Wing's camp...

The entire camp went in chaos. Some shouted for help, some went out to get assistance, some went to send messages...

No one had time to care about Ye Zhongming.

If you were sharp, you would notice that the attraction from Brother Long's hand didn't disappear. His body fell forwards beside that guy...

Brother Long's guards didn't clash with Light Wing. Their levels were decent, but this was another faction's territory. After discussing things, they left with Brother Long's corpse.

Light Wing's boss realised that even if the battle squad Brother Long was from wouldn't wipe them out from anger, they would extort him and try to make up for the losses.

This would mean bankruptcy, and his squad would get swallowed.

He was used to being a boss and wasn't willing to join others. He ordered the members to get ready. He wanted to leave the rainforest.

But when he was going to carry Ye Zhongming to leave with them, this guy said heartlessly, "I probably won't be leaving with you."

Chapter 1374: Source Space

“Shouldn’t we kill him?”

Xia Bai stood beside Ye Zhongming, and her voice was very soft.

If others heard the person they called Xia Dog, Vengeful God, Female Death God, Darkness Lady, etc., use such an expression and tone when speaking to someone, they would be extremely shocked.

En? Ye Zhongming was stunned. He realised that since Xia Bai descended from above and sliced the Light Wing boss’s head, he had been squatting beside that weird corpse. Seemed like Xia Bai had misunderstood.

Ye Zhongming had eaten some healing potion-type things in his space, and his injuries were much better. After a few hours, he would be perfectly fine.

He had the Sky Body, and his body’s various abilities were sick.

Without restraints, Ye Zhongming naturally didn’t care about Light Wing and Brother Long. He returned to that monster and looked at it closely such that he ignored Xia Bai.

“No, you did well. I just faced something that is very hard to explain.” Ye Zhongming said apologetically to Xia Bai.

Xia Bai, who didn't wear a mask, tilted her head. She looked confused but didn't ask. She stood beside him and guarded him so he could peacefully research.

Ye Zhongming had a guess.

The space he was trapped in was this monster's stomach.

Right. Even now, this was still a guess, and he was unsure. But... He felt that it was nearly the truth.

He disappeared from deep within the rainforest. When he appeared, he was at the edge, and this monster's corpse laid beside it. His body had remnants of this corpse's smell and energy fluctuation.

The clearest evidence was that this monster's fatal wound had a wood structure around it. It looked like the Roselle Cedar that had shrunk many times.

Ye Zhongming took a close look at the stomach's inner structure. Although it was damaged, there were some perfect places. They were smooth, but beneath the thin inner layer were many small dot-shaped things. Ye Zhongming sliced them, and they were very weak, no different from ordinary flesh and blood. He looked closely. Those small dots were similar to the horns on the world barrier.

He was basically sure that this monster had sucked him into its stomach.

But the more he thought about it, the more shocked he was.

He had never heard of such a weird thing.

A living person, an eight-star evolved like him with space equipment, was sucked into a monster's stomach? The more shocking thing was that the space had its own rules that lifeforms had to follow.

It sounded simple, but it was too unbelievable.

Although Ye Zhongming hadn't fought level nine experts before, in this life, be it the three-legged person or the previous protector, or the Saint Father, he did cross paths with them.

Ye Zhongming understood the level nine realm.

They were able to communicate with the space around them. He wasn't nine-star evolved yet and already had his own understanding of space.

He knew that space could allow other spaces to exist. But the original space had to be huge. The space source had to be huge, and the other spaces within it had to be small, like storage space.

For example, Earth and Secret Realm were source spaces. Space equipment and beast pools were secondary spaces, so they didn't conflict with each other.

But the two source spaces shouldn't interact.

But this monster's space allowed space equipment to exist. With so many lifeforms and perfect world rules, it should be a source space.

But this space was on Earth and Earth was a source space. Two source spaces should have conflicts!

Ye Zhongming didn't understand, which was why he was filled with shock.

Looking at this corpse, Ye Zhongming had a guess. Was this monster what the universe races mentioned... The true enemy?

Were they the mysterious Slave Race that hadn't revealed themselves?

"Have you found the thing you wanted to find?"

Ye Zhongming suddenly asked Xia Bai. He was referring to the item that the Talos Red Dwarves quest talked about.

"Found it. Chameleon found it while they were searching for you."

Since the thing was found, the quest was done. Ye Zhongming didn't plan to hand this corpse over and was planning to let Sister Hong study it.

She might be able to find out some secrets from it.

After waiting for some time, the female guards and Chameleon members rushed over.

Xia Bai arrived when Brother Long fell beside Ye Zhongming. Ye Zhongming had control of the Battle Contribution Badge and informed her. As she could fly and was coincidentally nearby, she arrived quickly. The others were around the rainforest and of differing distances, so after waiting for a day, the full squad arrived.

During this period, Ye Zhongming's news returned to Cloud Peak, and Cloud Peak's movement was also revealed to Ye Zhongming.

Xia Bai had already brought people over to Thousand Beast Villa. The squad that came to find Ye Zhongming had already teleported near the rainforest and would arrive moments later.

"Let everyone head back. We will follow the plan and get to Thousand Beast Villa. Where is Xia Leii?"

Xia Bai said a location. That was the place that Ye Zhongming planned to teleport to after completing the quest. It wasn't too far from Thousand Beast Villa.

The group of them moved and rushed to gather with Xia Lei.

Xia Lei wouldn't return to Cloud Peak if she didn't see Ye Zhongming.

After Ye Zhongming set off, in outer space and many places in the universe, many numbers were on a giant colorful crystal. One of the numbers jumped and was reduced by one.

This change was picked up by many races who investigated this crystal. News started to spread in the universe.

Chapter 1375: Thousand Beast Villa first impression

When Ye Zhongming left the temporary camp, Xia Lei and Miya were still sleeping.

Although the Ah Tao tribe didn't come for the mission, Xia Lei brought Miya to calm them down.

When they woke up, they would head back to Cloud Peak. Ye Zhongming would take over things here.

Ye Zhongming went missing, they faced a large mutated lifeform attack, and many people had to put themselves in danger to search for him, so female guards and Chameleon suffered some losses. The former was better. After all, they searched near the rainforest for a day before heading to the surrounding bases to find. Chameleon had to search a few dangerous locations, so their losses were bigger. Even Zhao Xiangxue was injured.

But no one cared. This was the apocalypse, and death was expected.

When Ye Zhongming arrived at Thousand Beast Villa, he was slightly late. But because of his identity and status, the meeting wasn't over, so he wasn't rejected. At most, people would just diss him for being rude.

Ye Zhongming was warmly welcomed. This was due to his strength throughout the country and also because Cloud Peak had two top labs, which were extremely strong in tech research.

Of the factions that were invited, most of them had research abilities.

Thousand Beast Villa's boss's son, Li Zizhong, received Ye Zhongming.

Ye Zhongming felt that the father and son had good names. The father was called Li Daqian, and the son was called Li Zizhong.

"Apologies Mr Ye. My father has returned to the villa and is far from here so he can't personally welcome you. I represent him to apologise."

Li Zizhong bowed to Ye Zhongming.

Ye Zhongming might not be old but in the apocalypse, he was an eight-star evolved. He was the boss of the strong Cloud Peak. Even if Li Zizhong was a dozen years older than him, he still behaved like Ye Zhongming was his senior.

This was the gap caused by strength and faction power.

Ye Zhongming was at the same level as Li Zizhong's father—they were both eight-star. Even though Thousand Beast Villa strongly nurtured Li Zizhong and might soon become eight-star, he was still seven-star now.

As compared to Ye Zhongming's relaxed mood, Li Zizhong was shocked.

He knew Cloud Peak and Ye Zhongming were strong, but he didn't expect them to be so strong.

Not mentioning Ye Zhongming as he wouldn't reveal what good things he had. Just look at the battle squad behind him...

Green was the lowest grade. Some captain-level people had many blue-colored equipment.

As the young master of the villa, Li Zizhong had many decent pieces of equipment. But the level of his equipment wasn't as high as this female squad.

This squad was the famous female guards. Although there weren't many people, their riches made one tongue-tied.

Arming such a team would cost a huge sum that all factions would find tough to spend. Only Ye Zhongming, who was a good smith himself, would be able to support such spending.

Also, that long-haired female looked very quiet but gave off darkness energy. She walked before the entire female guards and beside Ye Zhongming. Was she Ye Zhongming's most loyal servant, Xia Bai? But she should be wearing the mask, right? Is that she?

If she was then Li Zizhong could accept it. Her energy fluctuation told him that she was an eight-star evolved. If she weren't, then he would be totally impressed by Cloud Peak's strength. This meant that Cloud Peak had another eight-star evolved on top of Xia Bai!

Thousand Beast Villa was strong but only had one eight-star evolved in Li Daqian. They also had three level-eight battle beasts, but... Cloud Peak had many, too.

Li Zizhong glanced at Ye Zhongming's squad and had a rough analysis. He had to admit that they were very strong.

Thus, he became more respectful toward Ye Zhongming.

Thousand Beast Villa was huge, and its location was great. It was easy to defend and hard to attack. After Ye Zhongming and his group entered, they felt relaxed. It wasn't narrow, and the area became extremely wide.

Each camp had its unique points. Cloud Peak looked like a porcupine on the outside, and when you entered, it became a peaceful villa region...

Thousand Beast Villa was different. After the mountain gate, there was a giant square with black rock evenly laid on the ground, and some places were polished and shiny. It was obvious that lifeforms or people often stepped on them.

This square was huge, and one could see a few dozen people training their battle beasts. Those beasts were all different. Just one look and Ye Zhongming knew they were all high-level rare breeds.

This was not the thing that surprised him the most. What attracted his gaze was the hundred beasts sitting quietly at the center.

Those beasts were three meters tall and five meters long. They sat there like huge polar bears. They had a silver-white color and had saddles that could fit five people. Their heads had a copper-colored protector to seal their mouths.

They had black crystals on their head, which meant they were level three.

Handsome!

This was Ye Zhongming's first thought. He didn't care about their levels but more about the visual impact from all of them being the same breed and same size.

As expected from an organisation that was famous for nurturing beasts. Just the few hundred silver bears were shocking enough.

"These are the silver bears that we raise. They don't have any good abilities, are only strong, and have good stamina. Their levels aren't high, so we don't use them to fight. They are mounts. Please go ahead!"

Li Zizhong smiled. He was proud of Thousand Beast Villa's strengths.

He jumped onto the back of one of the bears as a demonstration. Ye Zhongming and the others got up. After this, the silver bears that didn't need people to control all stood up at the same time and dashed in a direction with similar speeds.