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Chapter 286 The Disappointment

"That's right, wifey. Just tell me what's bothering you, and I'll find a way to handle it. Hmm?" Duke said coaxingly as he wrapped his arms around Kisha's waist, pulling her closer to his chest. He wanted to provide her with support, comfort, and ease her worries, hoping that his embrace would help alleviate whatever was weighing on her mind.

Kisha sighed again, her gaze shifting to Gant and Mike, who stood before her looking disheartened. She could see they were feeling down as if their hard work had been dismissed rather than praised. Wanting to lift their spirits, Kisha began to speak. "Actually, what Gant and Mike have achieved is truly remarkable, and I couldn't ask for more.

Especially knowing that their efforts will help stabilize our supplies at the base, with Marcus's crops and the twins' assistance with the livestock ensuring a steady increase."

Hearing her say all this brought smiles to everyone's faces, momentarily making them forget how Kisha looked. But when they finally noticed her expression again, confusion deepened.

"Then why don't you look happy, City Lord?" Aston asked, voicing the question on everyone's mind—or at least most of those in the office. However, people like Duke, the two Winters' men, and the more quick-witted among them had already grasped the situation and understood why Kisha seemed dissatisfied.

Kisha sighed again before continuing, "Although the results are undeniably impressive, the problem lies in their bond with the animals they're 'fostering,' as their gift suggests. 'Fostering' means nurturing, raising, and communicating with them. Gant even mentioned that he sees the fish as more than just pets."

"And if that's the case, how would they cope when the animals they've nurtured and bonded with are sent to be slaughtered and eaten? Wouldn't that cause severe trauma for Mike and Gant? They might feel like they're sending their friends to the chopping block after fattening them up, which could be unbearably cruel for them.

I'm certain it would be impossible not to get attached to the animals they've cared for and raised using their fostering gift."

Initially, Kisha was thrilled, believing that the twins' gifts would be a tremendous asset to the base, much like Marcus's ability to boost crop growth. She eagerly anticipated the day they would awaken and help care for the farm animals and fisheries in her territory. But once she saw their abilities firsthand, everything became clear to her.

If she wasn't mistaken and remembered it correctly, there was a time when Bell mentioned that in the Murim World, martial arts practitioners were divided into many categories depending on their specialty because not all of the martial arts practitioners are just fighting with the power they gained through enlightenment, and just like the world Kisha lived in.

The Murim World also has distinct 'Jobs' and 'Specialties,' similar to her own world. These include 'Alchemists' who create elixirs and miraculous pills like the Immortal Pill she acquired from the World of the Gods, 'Blacksmiths,' 'Sword Practitioners,' 'Martial Artists,' 'Poison Practitioners,' and many more. Among these was a unique role: the 'Beast Tamer.'

Beast Tamers, as their name suggests, specialize in taming beasts. They either sell these tamed creatures so others can form contracts with them as battle pets—much like how Bell and Zeus became her companions—or they keep the beasts for their own use. According to Bell, the strength of a tamed beast enhances its master's power.

The purity of the beast's bloodline also affects its strength, and the more powerful the beast, the more challenging it is to tame.

If Kisha were to compare Gant and Mike's abilities to the Beast Tamers of the Murim World, they seem quite similar. However, unlike the Beast Tamers, who typically possess a single ability to tame all kinds of beasts based on their strength and spiritual energy, Gant and Mike's abilities are divided. One can tame land beasts, while the other can only tame water beasts.

This division is unusual, as it's more common for a Beast Tamer to have a singular ability that covers a wider range of beasts, depending on their potential and energy.

This division in their abilities might be due to their being twins, resulting in a split of their powers. If their awakened abilities were more focused on nurturing and enhancing the growth of animals, it would have been easier to integrate Gant and Mike into the animal care routine.

However, since their abilities involve beast taming, this creates complications, making it challenging to use them for the same purpose.

The apocalypse has already been deeply traumatizing for the children, and adding the burden of their abilities—particularly in the form of beast taming—would only add to their stress and suffering if she placed them where the farm animals and fisheries are that are also meant to be slaughtered.

Kisha felt disappointed because she realized it would be more appropriate to place them in a role suited to their strengths rather than burdening them with something so potentially distressing at such a young age.

Gant and Mike were taken aback by Kisha's insights. They hadn't expected her to understand their abilities so deeply. Her words resonated with them profoundly. They realized that, as Kisha described, their bond with the animals felt more like friendship than mere caretaking.

The thought of nurturing these creatures only to have them slaughtered felt like betraying their friends, as if they were fattening them up just to send them to their deaths.

It was deeply agonizing and stressful for them to consider. They felt a profound sense of embarrassment, realizing that their remarkable ability seemed to place them at odds with the very goal they hoped to achieve. The potential of their gift now felt overshadowed by the painful reality of its consequences if they continued.

Gant and Mike's heads hung low, their earlier enthusiasm extinguished by the painful realization that their abilities might not be as helpful as they had hoped. The disappointment of awakening to a power that seemed ultimately unfit for their intended purpose made them feel disheartened and ineffective.

Kisha noticed the dejected looks on the kids' faces and, despite her own disappointment, offered some reassurance. "It's alright. We'll have Gant and Mike assist Marcus with the crops for now, and we'll find a more suitable role for them in the future.

As for Daisy, since her ability aligns with Marcus' elemental 'wood' ability, I believe we can find a different position for her." She said thoughtfully, her gaze lingering on Daisy's Talent and Gift.

"Young Madam," Marcus said, puzzled, "if Daisy has the same ability as mine, wouldn't it be best to have her work alongside me on the crops? She might help accelerate their growth as well."

So kisha had to explain to him so he would understand the difference in their ability. "While Daisy has the same wood ability as you, her talent and gift are different from yours. Just because someone has a wood attribute doesn't mean they can enhance crop growth.

In fact, without a balancing effect like yours, using wood-type abilities could disrupt the balance of the crops' growth and potentially harm them. Your unique talent and gift is what allows you to increase plant growth effectively."