

## **Last Days 1091**

### Chapter 1091: The Truth

But none of them said anything.

They seemed to have a tacit understanding and silently looked at the live broadcast that of the frontline situation that was done through the people there.

Only some people could see it and Mr. Jones was one of them.

This was done so that they could see the situation on the frontline but right now, Mr. Jones just wanted to see his son.

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Long distance away, Continent Z, frontline.

Samuel and Riya were looking at each other as they hovered midair.

From the way it looked like, the two of them had a lot to say yet at the same time, they seemed to have known what the other party wanted to say.

"You know what the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted," Samuel stated.

His tone was firm, fully convinced that Riya should have known about this matter for a long time and perhaps...

She could guess what the Green Planet's Consciousness actually wanted.

From the moment Riya brought him to the place where the Green Planet's Consciousness stayed, Samuel had long known that Riya was also very intelligent. She seemed to be able to know many things that he himself was not sure of.

Right now, Samuel only felt that the situation with the magic beasts were strange, but it was hard to associate with what the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted.

But after hearing Riya's question...

He seemed to understand something.

"Just a guess... but I think that the Green Planet's Consciousness will confirm that it's true," Riya replied with a bitter smile as she looked at the passage in front of her.

The Green Planet's Consciousness didn't give her much time and Riya knew very well that more and more magic beasts would flood the entire Green Planet.

She didn't know what kind of world awaited them should they come to the other side.

But she knew very well that if they continued to stay here and let the Green Planet's Consciousness restrict the magic beasts' movement, they would eventually die out of exhaustion.

The grand magic beasts' tide is endless.

There were so many strange magic beasts pouring out from the passage as if they wanted to flood the entire Green Planet.

Riya knew very well that it was true.

The other world is definitely far bigger than the Green Planet and with so many magic beasts... this is a battle they were doomed to fight.

And if it was just destroying the passage, the Green Planet's Consciousness might be able to do something. But what followed after the passage destruction would be a never-ending battle on its side.

The magic beasts would not give up after they had found the Green Planet's coordinates.

"The Green Planet's Consciousness should know that this is a long and might be endless battle," Riya said slowly as she looked at the distance, not knowing what she was looking at. "The real reason why there are returnees... it should be an agreement with other worlds to fight the grand magic beasts' tide."

Samuel didn't stop Riya from speaking.

He had some guesses on his own too.

Why does the Green Planet's Consciousness send 12 people into Afirer Kingdom and equipped them with so much knowledge?

Why does the Green Planet's Consciousness change the Green Planet's terrain and forced the people to struggle and get prepared for the grand magic beasts' tide, allowing many people to die in the process?

Why does the Green Planet's Consciousness interfere with the passage on Continent W's side after Ruth's action and closed down one of the passage forcefully?

Everything seemed to have answer now.

At least, Samuel understood the reason why Green Planet's Consciousness did these right now...

And it was all thanks to Riya who told him the truth.

But at the same time, knowing the truth didn't make him feel better because Samuel seemed to understand that in the eyes of the Green Planet's Consciousness, they were all nothing more than chess pieces.

The reason why they were chosen... isn't it because it as convenient to pick them?

"We're all chosen to represent the Green Planet to fight the grand magic beasts' tide and basically the repayment from the Green Planet's Consciousness for their help in assisting us to have more resources to grow, isn't that right, Green Planet's Consciousness?"

Riya spoke calmly, but every words seemed to slice through one's heart.

She felt very painful.

It seemed as if everything she did was nothing in front of the Green Planet's Consciousness.

It was watching them all playing coldly and calculated their future trajectory based on its own ability.

And through these things...

The Green Planet's Consciousness basically calculated the best future that would suit the Green Planet's Consciousness's needs the most.

Riya and the others were selected because they have a role to play in the Green Planet's Consciousness's scheme.

And...

Riya knew very well that even if she knew the truth, she would have follow through what the Green Planet's Consciousness was planning for them.

"From the beginning, we're nothing more than pawns in the Green Planet's Consciousness's eyes," Riya said slowly, her voice cracked slightly as she tried to hold her emotion back.

At this moment, she seemed to understand how those returnees from Continent Y were feeling when they realized that their entire life has been controlled by someone from behind the scene.

And even if they didn't actually wanted to...

They had no other choice but to follow through with what the one who arranged them in this life.

It's painful.

So painful that one felt as if their entire heart has been ripped apart.

Moreover, this made one question their existence.

Why?

Why does it had to be me?

If the Green Planet's Consciousness had known what would happen to them and know all kind of difficulties that they would face, why would the Green Planet's Consciousness allow it to happen?

Countless questions like that flashed in their minds and it was terrifying.

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Swish!

Samuel stepped forward without hesitation and hugged Riya tightly. Seeing the painful expression on Riya's face, Samuel felt heartbroken and painful. He rubbed her head and back tenderly, trying to soothe his wife's emotion as much as possible.

At this moment, Samuel understood very clearly that sometimes, knowing the truth would not make one's feel better.

Instead, it would make one's heart shatter.

They have done so much in their lives, working hard for the sake of their future and then they were told that this was something that the Green Planet's Consciousness had calculated and arranged for them.

Who could accept it clearly with a smile on their faces?

Unless they were lunatics, they wouldn't be able to accept it.

Not even Samuel could.

But even if Samuel felt his heart was being cut off, he couldn't possibly show it in front of Riya and made her feel worse.

He just hoped that Riya would feel better.

"Even if that Green Planet's Consciousness wants us to do something... we'll come back sooner or later to settle our account with it," Samuel said slowly. "Once we reach rank 12... we'll have the strength to deal with the Green Planet's Consciousness."

Because at that rank, they were basically already above time and space.

If they wanted to settle their account with the Green Planet's Consciousness, they could do it.

But...

Samuel knew very well that it would take decades or perhaps centuries for one to reach rank 12. And during the time spent to reach that rank, no one knew how many years one would take.

Moreover, the requirement for advancement would become harsher and harsher.

Even if he hadn't experienced the bottleneck right now, Samuel remembered that Riya's condition some time ago was not right.

She told him that she failed to break through for a while.

It was only after she came back to the Green Planet that she managed to advance to rank 9.

Riya didn't explain it.

But Samuel could guess that Riya must have been troubled at that time.

It was just...

They have gone through so much in just a few years.

Everything they have experienced was to help them to go through the future better and no matter what, Samuel would protect Riya.

This wouldn't be easy, but he's prepared for it.

"Rank 12..." Riya muttered.

She naturally knew very well what they might experience in the future if they were to continue walking down this path.

But this is their ultimate goal.

To reach the peak meant that they had to get stronger and stronger...

And the way to get stronger was naturally to go to the place filled with danger and overcome it.

There was no other ways.

The Green Planet couldn't possibly support them to advance to rank 10.

The Green Planet's Consciousness had long been planning for this and should have known that they also understood it.

From the moment they reached rank 9 and was able to sense the situation on the Green Planet, they would slowly but surely able to sense the Green Planet's Consciousness' existence.

But there was one big difference between them and Riya.

While other returnees could guess that there was an existence that controlled... or at least, manipulated their lives, they couldn't find it.

Only Riya could.

Because she has the ability to sense the runes and understanding it. Coupled with her chosen law in the path of space, it was obvious that she would find the Green Planet's Consciousness with enough time.

And it really didn't take long.

The moment Riya advanced to rank 9, she found the Green Planet's Consciousness.

Their conversation was brief and Samuel was also there.

But he knew that there might be some things that Riya and the Green Planet's Consciousness were unwilling to talk with each other.

Now that Riya said this...

Samuel could only support Riya.

"It'll definitely take a long time," Samuel said slowly, "But rather than wailing about our fates that have been affected by the Green Planet's Consciousness, it's better to think about what we could do..."

Yes, the Green Planet's Consciousness should have interfered in our lives a lot and perhaps the path we will choose have been calculated. I don't like it either, but even if I want to get back at the Green Planet's Consciousness, I know I don't have the ability to do so. In that case, I can only work hard while following the path that he had laid out in front of us so that someday I can give him a piece of my mind."

Samuel can say for certain that he's angry and frustrated.

Having the Green Planet's Consciousness calculated their lives trajectory and made them follow the path that it had laid out...

What does the Green Planet's Consciousness think of them?

Tools for it to use?

But no matter how angry Samuel is, he knew very well that the Green Planet's Consciousness was very powerful.

Moreover, even if he was being treated as a tool, Samuel could only accept it.

Because what the Green Planet's Consciousness offered was the safety of the Green Planet behind them.

This is their homeland.

And their family members were also here.

Riya pursed her lips and rubbed her eyes. It has been a long time since she cried like this, but she really couldn't help it.

Even if she had become powerful and all, she's still a human being with emotions.

"Yes, so... Green Planet's Consciousness, I'll make sure to come back in the future," Riya muttered and looked at the distance.

She didn't know whether the Green Planet's Consciousness was listening to her or not, but no matter whether it was listening or not, she wanted to tell the Green Planet's Consciousness about her decision.

"I'll go... if this is what it takes to keep the Green Planet safely, I'll follow your arrangement," Riya muttered. "Don't get me wrong and think that it's because of you that I'm doing this, but it's because I also have other things that I want to do."

Chapter 1093: We All Just Want to Survive

Perhaps the Green Planet's Consciousness has its selfishness for picking Riya and the others as its representatives.

Riya didn't even know what kind of agreement that the Green Planet's Consciousness had with Afirer Kingdom's planet and perhaps other planets behind their back. But she was sure that this agreement also involved these so called returnees.

The Green Planet's Consciousness told her that it had indeed made an agreement.

And her master had told her part of the agreement, which was to let a select few to grow up in their world.

Since the twelve of them were basically the people with the best talent selected by the Green Planet's Consciousness, they managed to grow up quickly and shine in their respective fields.

It was astounding.

And they used to be proud of it.

But after coming back and they were forced to the forefront, they kept on having to fight again and again. Sometimes, one even felt tired but they all had the goal to become stronger.

Because they have seen the one standing at the peak and many people were dreaming of chasing after that figure.

Riya and Samuel were not an exception.

It was precisely because of this dream that they kept on moving forward and trained their bodies to the utmost limit, making sure that they were doing whatever they could in order to reach their dream.

But in the process...

They had to learn that many things that they achieved were based on the sacrifice of many other people.

And that they have lost many people who couldn't walk with them.

Magicians, magic warriors, warriors, and so on will all live a long life and in this path, it was unknown how many people they would eventually lose.

And having the realization that their own paths have been designed by others like the Green Planet's Consciousness made Riya felt painful. In the place she didn't know, her future paths were influenced by the Green Planet's Consciousness.

She didn't even know how many things that the Green Planet's Consciousness had arranged secretly.

But...

"I have the dream of reaching the peak and I'll never give it up so easily. Even if this path will be a path filled with thorns and that there will be countless trial of fire waiting for me," Riya said slowly.

Yes, the Green Planet's Consciousness did influence her and caused her life trajectory to change so much.

Many people died because of the Green Planet's Consciousness's action.

And the main reason is not to let them all able to fight the grand magic beasts' tide in this place.

But to prepare them for what's about to come.

And Riya knew very well that not all of them would be selected by the Green Planet's Consciousness to leave.

Ruth and Jonas Nolan were designed to stay on the Green Planet.

Ruth's role was actually to give them the hint that they needed. A few people who had the best talent should have long realized that the Green Planet's Consciousness was watching them.

And it wanted them to make the decision.

Whether it was through full understanding, impulsiveness, or even simply because their heart's desire.

No matter what their reason is, the Green Planet's Consciousness should have calculated that all of them will follow it.

Besides, none of them really have the power to fight back.

To have the power to fight the Green Planet's Consciousness back, they would need to have enough power to deal with the grand magic beasts' tide.

Time is simply not enough.

And the Green Planet's Consciousness might not have enough power to help them more than this.

Because no matter how powerful the Green Planet's Consciousness, it's still limited.

"Besides, I have always been curious about some things." Riya lowered her eyes and looked at the large number of magic beasts below her.

"Humans hates the magic beasts."

"Magic beasts also hates humans."

"It's not known who's right or wrong. Perhaps everyone is right. We all just want to survive. The weak will be devoured by the strong and the strong will prevent the weak from becoming strong and threaten them. This is just why the magic beasts kept on targeting humans."

"War will not stop until one side perish, but is it possible to see through the end?"

Is it possible?

Samuel looked at Riya in his arm and patted her head.

He felt that Riya always surprise him again and again.

Just when he thought that Riya would break down because of the Green Planet's Consciousness and was worried for her, she stood back up and reasoned with the Green Planet's Consciousness instead.

Haha...

Samuel felt that it was indeed his luck to be able to meet with Riya and walked alongside her.

"So, Sam, are you going to go with me?" Riya turned her head to look at Samuel earnestly.

No matter what, Riya knew that she would walk onto this path and possibly never return here anymore.

She will miss her newly obtained family members.

But...

She knew that she had a path that she had to walk through.

Even though it's painful, she had to make this decision.

"I'm going," Samuel didn't have any hesitation as he replied to Riya. He gave a gentle smile and said, "I have no idea about the Green Planet's Consciousness before you said it, but since the Green Planet's Consciousness has paved the way for us so much... how can I not accept this challenge?"

Challenge?

Riya blinked her eyes, feeling that the way Samuel saw the matter of Green Planet's Consciousness controlling their actions through various events to be a challenge. But perhaps it was indeed true.

What the Green Planet's Consciousness did was to let them grow as quickly as possible.

In a way, it was helping them.

Even if it was for the sake of the Green Planet that the Green Planet's Consciousness did this all and Samuel couldn't possibly completely agree with the Green Planet's Consciousness.

Chapter 1094: Fated

Because many people on the Green Planet died because of the Green Planet's Consciousness.

If the Green Planet's Consciousness had chosen other methods...

No one knew whether it would succeed or not.

But the price might be lower.

Then again, the Green Planet's Consciousness never truly cared about their lives and might be thinking that it was their luck to be chosen by the Green Planet's Consciousness to fulfill this role.

As much as Samuel wished to beat the Green Planet's Consciousness up...

He knew that he couldn't do it.

Ah...

"On one side, I want to follow you and on another note, I also want to become stronger and see a completely different world," Samuel said calmly. "Since the Green Planet's Consciousness is kind enough to prepare this path for us, then I'll follow it.

As for the identity of a chess pieces or the so called payment from the Green Planet's Consciousness... tsk, I'll make sure that the Green Planet's Consciousness understand that if it could give us such a big change, then it had to be prepared to be beaten up later."

Samuel was not kind enough to let the Green Planet's Consciousness off so easily.

If he had the chance in the future, he would teach the Green Planet's Consciousness a lesson for choosing them and forcing them to follow through this path.

How many people cried because of the world changes?

So much blood has been spilled and many people's lives have been lost, so at the very least, Samuel will take this path offered to him.

"This is not a dead end and there will be a way out in the future," Samuel added.

Riya smiled. "Yes."

Even if the Green Planet's Consciousness had made the arrangement, but at the end of the day, they were the one who made the decision.

She turned around to look at the direction where City A Base was located and sighed deeply.

Perhaps this would be the last time she could see them...

"I'll talk with Dina and Peter. They also deserved to know our decision."

"I don't want to explain about the fact that the Green Planet's Consciousness is using us," Riya said weakly.

She really didn't have the energy to explain this matter to others.

Besides, mentioning that they were basically pawns who were used by the Green Planet's Consciousness to trade with others...

Hah.

Should they be happy because their lives are valuable or should they be angry because their lives were thrown out so easily by the Green Planet's Consciousness?

As for why it's them and not the others, it must be related to the future that the Green Planet's Consciousness had seen.

How much he could see, Riya didn't know.

She only knew that every planet's consciousness would have some special abilities and whether it's strong or weak would depend on themselves.

The Green Planet's Consciousness could see part of the future.

How much it had seen was something that Riya had no idea about.

But she was willing to take this bet.

"Don't worry, I don't plan to explain this to them either. I'll give them a completely different reason and whether they're willing to follow us or not is another matter altogether," Samuel said reassuringly.

"Got it."

Swish!

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Long distance away, within the formation.

The Green Planet's Consciousness was paying close attention to Riya and naturally heard the words that she said to him.

He chuckled.

"So rude and headstrong... perhaps that's why the two of you are indeed the most suitable one," the Green Planet's Consciousness muttered.

It looked at the various images that it had conjured before about Samuel and Riya. No matter whether he selected one of them to be a returnee or never selected any of them, the two of them would eventually become together.

This made the Green Planet's Consciousness wonder if these two were truly fated together from the beginning.

And when the Green Planet was destroyed, the Green Planet's Consciousness would always have to see some annoying scene.

It couldn't understand the feelings between Riya and Samuel.

And the Green Planet's Consciousness had no intention of understanding such a thing either.

"Whether you can succeed or not... it'll be up to you," the Green Planet's Consciousness whispered in a low voice.

It would not interfere with their future path.

Besides, the Green Planet's Consciousness's abilities are limited and it was impossible to interfere too much in specific people's lives. The laws would not allow the Green Planet's Consciousness to do such a thing.

And after they left the Green Planet, do they think that the Green Planet's Consciousness would have the energy to follow them?

It looked at the distance and smiled faintly.

"If you could truly traverse the space and time, then it meant that you have successfully break the shackle of life. At that time, no matter what had happened in the past, it would no longer have any effect on you and whatever I did will no longer affect you."

The question left would be whether they could reach such a stage or not.

Because the Green Planet's Consciousness knew very well that achieving such a stage would not be easy.

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Long distance away, Continent Z, frontline

Swish!

Bang!

"Huh? What are you two doing here?" Peter looked at Samuel and Riya with suspicion when he saw the two of them landed not far from them.

There were still some rank 9 magic beasts coming out, so Peter and Dina were busy dealing with these magic beasts.

The two of them had no idea about the existence of the Green Planet's Consciousness.

After all, one was a demonic magician and the other is a warrior.

The former did have some clues while the latter was completely clueless as he was not that good at using his brain.

Then again...

No one would actually expect Peter to be able to guess something like this.

"Riya and I have made the decision to leave the Green Planet and entered the passage to fight from the other side," Samuel said bluntly, dropping a large bombshell from the very beginning.

Chapter 1095: I Don't Know

Peter and Dina froze.

The next moment, the two of them yelled.

"Are you crazy?"

"Are you out of your mind?"

The two people looked at Riya and Samuel with confusion, not understanding how these two people who were usually so level headed would suddenly make such an outrageous decision.

In fact, their reaction was exactly the same as when Riya heard that Murin entered the passage some time ago.

But it couldn't be helped.

Unless they truly understand the real cause and effect, it would be impossible for them to understand why they wanted to leave the Green Planet and took such a huge risk to enter the passage towards the beasts' world.

"No." Riya shook her head. "I just know that even though the situation is quite stable on Continent Z's side, we'll eventually die if we continued to fight like this. The ammunition could only last for a few more months at most and after that, Continent Z wouldn't be able to hold on."

Even right now, the other continents were already screaming for help.

But she was sure that Continent X and Continent Y would have their passage closed off soon.

As long as these returnees did their 'roles' that the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted.

Even then, these returnees didn't know what kind of role they actually had.

After all, the Green Planet's Consciousness would never talk to them frankly about its request or anything like that.

So they would have to figure things out by themselves.

"So what? It's not like there's going to be an endless stream of magic beasts..."

Bang!

Dina hit Peter with a frown as she looked at Riya solemnly.

She had some thoughts in the past about a few things that seemed to be quite odd.

To be honest, Afirer Kingdom is several times stronger than the Green Planet and no matter who speak, Dina would say bluntly that she felt that her conjecture was right.

Since Afirer Kingdom was so strong yet it still ended up destroyed like this...

Then the Green Planet that was much weaker than Afirer Kingdom shouldn't have the ability to deal with the grand magic beasts' tide.

But Dina tried her best not to think too much.

Because she really didn't want to lose her homeland.

The people on the Green Planet were annoying and many of them were nothing more than jerks. But this is still the home that gave birth to her and Dina didn't want to lose it.

She did have to adjust her path when she was in Afirer Kingdom because of her emotional outburst.

But right now, she had rebuilt her path.

And she didn't want to see the Green Planet suffer the same thing as what she had seen in Afirer Kingdom at that time.

It would be painful to see another place ended up destroyed like that.

And Dina definitely didn't want to see it.

So she tried her best to fight to the fullest and see if she could do something about the Green Planet's fate.

The unending battle for the past two to three months have made her very tired. They had to fight day and night without stopping in the slightest bit to rest.

Dina felt that if it was not because of her strong willpower, she would have long collapsed midway.

Even now, she felt like dying.

And when she thought that they had to continue this battle for a long time, Riya and Samuel suddenly came down and proposed an outrageous plan.

Have they gone crazy with all the battle and wanted to die?

But looking at their expression, Dina didn't think that they were kidding nor did they become crazy midway.

Instead...

It seemed that they have some kind of plan that Dina couldn't understand.

\*sigh\*

"Let me ask you a few questions first," Dina said and then continued, "You're not seeking death when you say that you want to enter the passage, right?"

"No." Riya shook her head. "I want to find a way to completely end the grand magic beasts' tide."

"End the grand magic beasts' tide?" Peter was confused. "Isn't it just something that will happen every few centuries and that no one could stop it because it would keep on repeating..."

"This is what happened in Afirer Kingdom, but you know very well that the Green Planet is different from Afirer Kingdom," Samuel interrupted. "Do you really think that we can hold on until the magic beasts stopped coming on their own and the passage is interrupted?"

Given by how stable the passage has been, Samuel had the feeling that the grand magic beasts' tide couldn't be stopped.

Perhaps, the Green Planet's Consciousness also couldn't stop it either.

It was also because of this that the Green Planet's Consciousness was making arrangement for them.

They wouldn't know the full truth.

But just the bits and pieces was more than enough for them to see the Green Planet's Consciousness's helplessness and ruthlessness.

"...I don't know," Peter said slowly.

To be honest, Peter was not that optimistic about the Green Planet's prospect in dealing with the grand magic beasts' tide.

But even if he had some hesitation and worry, Peter never showed it and instead pretended that everything was fine.

Because he didn't want other people to worry about it.

The people on Continent Z were all relying on him and Peter knew very well that if he were to show hesitation and worry, the others might not be willing to fight. He had to keep up the appearance that everything will be fine so that they could trust him and continued to move forward.

Otherwise, if the people on Continent Z lose their will to fight, then things would only become more troublesome for him.

Slowly but surely... he just got used to this kind of life.

But if he had to be honest, Peter actually thought that they all would die sooner or later and that this battle was a hopeless battle destined to fail from the very beginning.

Chapter 1096: Explaining

It was harsh.

But this is what Peter thought from the bottom of his heart.

He didn't mean to look down on the people around him, but Peter knew very well that even if all returnees were to cooperate together, the chance of them succeeding was extremely low.

"I don't think it's possible," Dina said after Peter finished speaking.

Unlike Peter, Dina had no qualms at all in mocking the Green Planet. While Peter will still show some hesitation and perhaps wanted to show positive attitude, Dina felt that there was truly no need for them to save face for the Green Planet.

"What if I tell you that after we left, the passage will be closed on its own, buying time for the Green Planet?" Riya asked.

"What about the passage in other continents?" Peter asked almost immediately.

His response told others that he genuinely believed in Riya's words.

Then again... it was really hard not to trust them when they have seen the performance of these people not long ago.

"They will be closed too in a while," Riya said without hesitation.

Because she was sure that the Green Planet's Consciousness should have made the plans and arrangement.

So even if she didn't tell the other returnees...

The end result will always be the same.

Peter and Dina looked at each other, a bit surprised by Riya's upfront and confidence. Then again, they have known each other for some time and knew that Riya was not exactly someone who like to speak nonsense.

If she wanted something, she will say it directly in front of their faces.

"Are you sure?"

"Yes."

Riya replied calmly.

The Green Planet's Consciousness was indeed watching them at this moment and was too lazy to bother with this group of people it had selected. The main reason why it had picked Riya is because the Green Planet's Consciousness knew that she would definitely understand what it wanted to do.

Rather than dilli dallying and spent more of its power to hold off the magic beasts, it's better to send them all off as soon as possible.

So even if Riya were to say this confidently, the Green Planet's Consciousness did nothing but watch.

'You're really confident, aren't you?' The Green Planet's Consciousness was watching this scene and shook its head slowly.

It knew very well that what Riya said was the truth.

The Green Planet's Consciousness would never let things turned bad in the direction it didn't want to.

As for Riya explaining the truth to Dina and Peter?

It didn't care.

From the moment the Green Planet's Consciousness let Riya know the truth, it knew that she would definitely tell others about this.

How much they would believe Riya was another matter.

And the Green Planet's Consciousness didn't care that much whether they trusted Riya or not. Based on the simulation that it had seen about what Riya would do, the Green Planet's Consciousness knew what would happen.

'Your prestige is high, Riya.'

Perhaps Riya herself hadn't realized it but she was gradually becoming the core of the returnees.

Her abilities were used worldwide and many people dreamed of becoming her disciples. The other returnees all tried to stay away from her. If they couldn't become friends, they would try their best not to become her enemies.

Even Murin who was reckless and like to offend others also didn't dare to offend Riya.

The Green Planet's Consciousness watched when Murin came to find Riya after her advancement to rank 7.

And it had to say...

Riya was truly soft hearted.

Or perhaps, at that moment Riya already had some suspicion about the Green Planet's Consciousness and its plan.

So she didn't kill Murin.

No matter how annoying Murin was, Riya still let him go and the Green Planet's Consciousness could complete the plan it had long prepared for Murin.

The Green Planet's Consciousness never planned on letting all returnees understand its intention like Riya.

It was absolutely impossible.

Most returnees didn't have the brain and capability to be able to meet with the Green Planet's Consciousness and understand it.

One Riya is enough.

In most 'future scenes' that the Green Planet's Consciousness had seen, the Green Planet's Consciousness only found Riya to be the only one walking on the same path at the end and met with the Green Planet's Consciousness.

She could understand what happened.

But it has always been too late.

Or... it was almost too late.

The Green Planet's Consciousness naturally saw various scenarios that would happen in the future and simply made appropriate action to change these things.

It wanted to make sure that Riya's actions would remain the same and would not destroy its long decade plan.

The Green Planet's Consciousness had already expended too much energy to finish its plan.

It couldn't fail.

Not now.

"Speaking so confidently... you're really so sure that I wouldn't stop you, Riya," the Green Planet's Consciousness said slowly and really wanted to teach Riya a lesson.

But seeing her expression, the Green Planet's Consciousness finally did nothing.

For so many years, the Green Planet's Consciousness had already seen various 'futures' and so on.

Riya always appeared in front of him.

Every single time, it would be different.

And...

The Green Planet's Consciousness sighed and then simply looked at other places, ignoring the conversation Riya and Samuel had with Dina and Peter.

It had already known what answer these two people would make.

Whether they knew the truth or not would not matter.

Because neither would tell other people about this.

And even if they did tell others...

What can they do?

None of them could possibly find the Green Planet's Consciousness no matter what they do in the future.

"Are you sure?" Peter asked again, looking at Riya earnestly.

Riya nodded.

She could sense that the Green Planet's Consciousness didn't even try to stop her from revealing the truth to Peter and Dina.

Perhaps...

The Green Planet's Consciousness think it didn't matter.

"Yes."

"Then I'll go." Dina had no qualms leaving the Green Planet in the slightest bit.

Chapter 1097: Decision

Dina was the first to answer.

Having lived on the Green Planet for long, she had already settled almost everything that she wanted to do.

In her opinion, she could live in seclusion once the grand magic beasts' tide was over.

But now that Riya had offered her a completely different path, why can't she take it?

Dina felt that she would be foolish to refuse.

"Ok." Riya nodded and then looked at Peter.

Peter was looking at the three people in front of him and then looked behind him with some hesitation. Seeing his gesture, they all understood that Peter was worried about the people whom he left behind.

They had treated him well and after seeing the few people who died in Afirer Kingdom, Peter really didn't want to leave them again in his life.

Rather than leaving...

He really wanted to stay behind.

"You're staying, aren't you?" Dina was the first to speak.

She didn't need to wait for Peter to say anything.

The two of them might not really have that close of a relationship, but they knew each other very well.

So after Dina saw Peter's expression, she knew his answer.

And she's not surprised.

The other two looked at the two people and chose not to interfere with whatever they decided. No matter what decision they came to, they would not interfere for they have no right to arrange other people's lives.

After knowing that their own lives have been arranged by others...

How could they want to do it against other themselves?

They couldn't bear to do it.

Peter showed a bitter smile and then nodded firmly. "I can't leave the people behind me... and I don't want to either. Without you all here, what if there are powerful magic beasts that come over... I want to help them."

To be honest, Peter was used to live a free life and no one would say anything about it to him.

But after being taken care by the Martial Arts Association for a long time, Peter realized that he liked that kind of life. Even though he often head out to various places without thinking, but when it was necessary, he would rush over to the designated location that needed his help.

Perhaps it was also because of this that he held some sense of responsibility.

And he wanted to be close to them.

Going out to fight the magic beasts from the other side sounded glorious, but who knows how many years it would take for them to come back?

Peter still knew some things even if it was not that clear.

But he had the feeling that if they dared to step onto the other side, they might not be able to come back in their entire life.

So after contemplation, Peter made the decision to stay.

By being here, Peter believed that he would be able to protect the people on the Green Planet better than going into the passage.

"Will there be other magic beasts coming to the Green Planet?" Dina frowned.

Riya shrugged. "I don't know."

She didn't know whether the Green Planet's Consciousness would continue protecting the Green Planet after their leaves.

Because...

Riya knew very well that the Green Planet's Consciousness was already in a bad condition when she found it not long ago.

But Riya believed that the Green Planet's Consciousness should have prepare enough emergency measure to protect the entire Green Planet. It had been scheming for such a long time in order to make sure that the returnees followed its script.

How could the Green Planet's Consciousness not prepare any backhand to protect the Green Planet?

The Green Planet is basically the Green Planet's Consciousness's body.

They needed each other.

"No matter what, I don't want to go." Peter raised his head, his voice was firm and he had already made his decision.

If he was somewhat hesitant in the beginning, now he had become firm.

Dina looked at Peter in front of her. His current expression was both familiar and unfamiliar to her.

He's this kind of man.

This is what Dina thought in her mind and also the reason why the two of them could never be together.

"Ok." Riya nodded.

As the four of them were speaking, more magic beasts came out of the passage, but the place where they were speaking were tightly protected by the formation that Riya set up.

These magic beasts were also only rank 7 or lower, so none of them paid attention to it.

This was their agreement to the people on Continent Z.

They would only deal with the magic beasts of higher rank than rank 8.

"You're not going to persuade me?" Peter was surprised.

"You have to be responsible for your own life," Riya said calmly. "Since you have decided to stay, then you just have to fully committed on this path and don't forget your original intention."

Since Peter is also a rank 9 warrior, his life is still long.

Who knew whether he would regret his decision midway in the future because of his decision today.

But Riya felt that it was unlikely.

Each of them knew very well that no matter what they decided, it was something that they would have to stick to until the very end.

Only if they were determined enough would it be possible for them to truly reach the peak.

Peter smiled. "I won't."

"Take care of yourself." Samuel raised his fist and Peter bumped onto it.

The two of them had fought against each other in the past and from this moment on, they might not be able to fight again.

"I will." Peter's smile become even brighter.

"In that case, I'm going first."

Swish!

Seeing Riya and Samuel fly towards the passage without hesitation, Dina looked at Peter solemnly and bid her farewell.

Peter smiled in response. "Go."

Dina looked at his expression before smiling and then fly over towards the passage too.

Chapter 1098: Each of Their Decision

Peter looked at the back of these people and sighed in his heart.

He knew very well that from now on... they would walk a completely different path and might not be able to see each other.

Perhaps, she was right.

Even if he felt moved, but their personality and life were not suitable with each other. Rather than dwelling in it and causing more pain, it's better to cut off the losses early and lived their own life.

In this way, Peter watched while staying there and then retreated after he saw that more and more magic beasts coming out.

If what Riya said is true... then this would be the last batch and Peter would fight again later.

Swish!

Riya and Samuel floated on the sky and looked at the passage in front of them.

"Are you ready?" Samuel asked.

"Don't you want to send some message to your family members, first?" Riya asked back quietly.

She had secretly sent a message to Amelia and now, she was silently drawing the mana in the air with the mana gathering formation plate and then started to draw more runes.

The Green Planet's Consciousness that was watching in the distance was speechless at Riya's movement.

But it still let her be.

The mana gathered heavily and soon formed a large formation in the air.

Samuel watched Riya drew the formation calmly and then she slapped the formation towards the passage, which caused the howling of countless magic beasts.

He had no idea what kind of formation it is, but he could guess that it should be some kind of killing formation.

She's clearing their way out.

Riya gave a faint smile. "Even though I still feel a bit indignant, thank you for everything, Green Planet's Consciousness."

With that, she flew inside.

Dina had already rushed over first when she found out that Riya used the formation to kill all of these magic beasts.

Samuel took out his phone and sent a message to his father before he flew in and kept his phone away.

Who knew when these things would be taken out again in his life?

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Long distance away, Continent X

Pena could clearly sense when Riya and Samuel's mana signature completely disappeared from the Green Planet.

He had been paying attention to these people secretly after he sensed that there were less and less mana in the air.

The mana concentration on the Green Planet has been rising in the past three years.

Even though the increase slowed down considerably in the past year, it was still showing the tendency to increase.

In this way, Pena was able to grow up.

But at this moment, the mana in the air had decreased to be less than 1% from before and Pena could guess that there should be something going on.

Not to mention, the mana signature of many returnees were disappearing one by one.

"Is it because the Green Planet is so useless or it's because of other things?" Pena looked at the darkened sky and then he smiled weirdly.

Because of this grand magic beasts' tide, he had lost many things.

Yet at the same time, he also gained many other things and become more powerful as a rank 9 necromancer.

The problem is...

The land under his feet was about to disappear because of the battle he had with those magic beasts.

Whoever was setting them up definitely didn't show any mercy at all.

It kept on sending powerful magic beasts to their doorsteps as if saying that they didn't die fast enough.

Pena clicked his tongue and then chuckled.

The passage disappeared.

Such a big space distortion, how could a rank 9 not realize it?

"So that's how it is..."

Pena looked at the passage in front of him and then sneered. "So if I don't follow whatever your intention is, you will keep on sending more and more magic beasts to me."

No wonder that when Murin entered the passage, the magic beasts that came out decreased sharply until it was gone for a while. That also gave Pena the long rest he needed.

And it seemed that someone from Continent Z should have realized it too.

He's not stupid.

Even though Pena was displeased by whoever made this arrangement, but he still gritted his teeth and walked towards the passage.

"To dare scheming against our lives... Heh, you better not let me catch you."

Swish!

With that, Pena entered the passage.

And the passage crumbled at speed visible to naked eyes as other magic beasts came out of the distorted space.

But none of them were stronger than rank 7.

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Long distance away, Continent Y

Nalan has been crouching on the ground with the shield set up in front of him, completely protecting him but ignored the screams and yells of other people around him.

He was at loss.

Ever since he was young, he had been taught that the children of the branch family had to serve the main family.

And when he arrived in Afirer Kingdom, things remained the same and those people also gave him the same order. So in order to be of help to Navi, his cousin, he chose to become a guardian warrior.

While he had also made some other decision and was ruthless to his enemies, but if he was asked to go on his own...

Nalan was at loss.

Where should he go?

The strong space distortion in the distance one after another made Nalan raised his head and he sensed that the mana signature of several familiar people disappeared.

At this moment, his mind seemed to catch something.

Navi asked him to live on.

But if he just stayed silent in this place, his energy wouldn't be enough.

He had to find someone else to cooperate and figure out how he planned to live his life from now own.

And...

The only answer left for him lies within that passage.

So, Nalan took step forward, one step at a time, and entered the passage.

The moment he disappeared into the passage, the space distorted once more and the passage completely disappeared.

Chapter 1099: Peter

Continent Z

Peter looked at the disappearance of the passage with a complicated expression.

He realized that Riya was right...

That once they crossed the passage, the passage would close down on its own. He saw the space distorted and the passage crumbled.

At the same time, the mana concentration in the air dropped one after another.

With each passage destroyed, it decreased by 99% of the previous rank.

By now, the mana concentration was already similar to the time before the earthquake had ever happened.

With such thin mana concentration, it seemed that no one would be able to advance past rank 4 in their entire life. Their main sources of mana would lie within the crack that still existed.

But it would be a more dangerous process.

And without Riya maintaining the formation, how could they survive?

5 cracks in Continent Z alone and if Peter had gone with the others to the other side of the passage, he was absolutely sure that no one on Continent Z would be able to handle it.

"You're right... they all left one after another."

Whether they left because they realized the scheme from the Green Planet's consciousness or it was because they wanted to, Peter didn't know.

But after Riya left, he could sense that the other returnees were also leaving.

The Green Planet's Consciousness's schemes worked.

Riya didn't fully explain the truth of what the Green Planet's Consciousness wanted from them... but Peter knew that it should be something that couldn't be spread to many people.

Because if they were to know that their own relatives had to die in order to fulfill the scheme that the Green Planet's Consciousness was concocting...

It was estimated that many people would become crazy.

Even now, Peter was still having a hard time digesting the fact that these people had left and it might take decades for him to see them again.

Or perhaps...

He will never see them again.

Peter pursed his lips and then asked, "Is it truly worth it?"

He didn't know.

Whether his decision is correct or not, whether he would regret it or not in the future, or whether he had made the right decision....

But he knew that the Green Planet's Consciousness should have long known that he would choose to stay behind.

Because compared to the dream of reaching the peak that many people from Afirer Kingdom chased after, Peter was more tempted by the warm meals that he could share with the people close to him.

And seeing the smile of the people he protected behind him only made him smile back too.

He had no family.

He had no relatives either.

Ever since Peter could remember, he was an orphan on the Green Planet with no one whom he could rely on.

No...

That's wrong.

He still has the kind orphanage dean and other orphanage children who would play together with him.

Peter had to say that his childhood was actually pretty fun.

Even if it was not the best childhood in the eyes of many people, it was still very good for him and warm.

But...

He lost everyone.

Peter never actually talked about his past to anyone because he felt that it was useless even if he were to talk about it.

For some reasons, Peter was never adopted.

He has been in the orphanage for his entire life before he started working.

But in his last teenage years, he was not living in the same orphanage he used to be because that orphanage was gone.

There was an earthquake that no one expected.

It took the lives of everyone in the orphanage and Peter was lucky enough to survive, but he had to spend nearly a year in the hospital. For the young Peter, he was at loss why he managed to survive while everyone had to go.

He met the soldier who rescued him and asked that question.

"Why am I the one surviving?" The young Peter didn't want to be alone. He just wanted his 'family' and others in the orphanage.

The soldier found the young Peter being protected by his friends in that ruins. To be honest, he was also surprised to see a child managed to survive in that tragic earthquake.

Natural disaster was hard to fight.

Many people's lives were lost in the face of natural disaster.

People could only grieve for their lost friends, families, and relatives, praying that they would have a good afterlife.

And for this young teenager, the soldier could only say, "It's because you're protected by everyone's spirit and they want you to live on, Peter."

They want him to live on?

The young Peter looked at loss.

"Live on... not only for your own sake but also for them. Live your life to the fullest and fulfill your dream." The soldier smiled. "That way, you will be able to achieve their expectation for you."

He didn't know what the young Peter's friends thought when they chose to protect him instead of themselves.

But since such a child can be loved by his friends so much...

He hoped that he would not forget about them and live his life to the fullest.

"Don't treat them as a burden but as a motivation to move forward."

The young Peter always remembered those words.

That's what drive him to continue living despite difficulties when he arrived in Afirer Kingdom.

In a magic world without any talent for magic...

How tragic is it?

Perhaps many people would have experience breakdown and unable to accept reality after they saw it.

But Peter could accept it.

He never thought that he was someone special or anything like that.

He's just an ordinary person who has people who cared for him and also someone who's living his life to the fullest. If he didn't have any talent for magic, then so be it.

This meant that he had other paths available for him.

A path that was more suitable.

Chapter 1100: Peter (2)

For so many years, Peter always remained optimistic.

He never thought that it was a that much of a big deal for him to be unable to become a magician.

A warrior is also very good.

Besides...

While Peter didn't really want to admit it, he knew very well that he was indeed not very good at using his brain. For magicians who often had to complete various theoretical class and so on before they could fully use magic...

Peter felt that it was actually quite good for him not to have the talent.

Even remember the nonsense magic spells was already very difficult for him.

As for the fact that the nonsense magic spell ended up being learned by others later on....

\*cough\*

Four years in Afirer Kingdom made Peter quite fulfilled.

He likes challenging strong people and being able to have such a chance in Afirer Kingdom made Peter's blood boil.

It was really fun.

So much that Peter often forgot many things when he was concentrating in fighting.

Not only challenging people, Peter also made a lot of friends, such as the soldiers and the people who fought against the magic beasts.

Perhaps he was being influenced by his encounter in his previous life, but he had good impression of the law enforcement.

Granted, some people who worked in the governments were actually very annoying and only stay in that position for power. But there were also those who truly cared for the people and Peter had deep respect for them.

That's how he managed to get along with many soldiers from Afirer Kingdom.

They were also kind enough to Peter and they all got along well.

Of course, Peter would not say that the thing that he looked forward the most was the day when they all have a feast after a successful battle. The wine and meat tasted really delicious, hehehe.

\*cough\*

\*ahem\*

So when Peter saw that he had to fight to the very end by fighting the magic beasts, Peter had no regret whatsoever.

To be honest, he was very confused when he first arrived in Afirer Kingdom because he couldn't understand how he passed away. Peter was sure that he had been living well and taking care of himself, so how did he die?

It was inexplicable.

But after seeing Afirer Kingdom and was busy in his own affairs, Peter basically had no time to care about these things anymore.

He just wanted to fulfill his role.

And then he died.

Very miserably in fact.

It was so painful that Peter felt that his brain was disoriented and then he woke up on the Green Planet.

He's back.

The fact that he was now on the Green Planet made Peter thought that he was dreaming. But after he tried to run the practice that he used to do when he was in Afirer Kingdom, Peter quickly realized that he was not dreaming.

Is it transmigration?

Or something else?

Peter couldn't understand and after a few training, Peter felt so hungry that he felt that he could eat an entire cow.

This made him realize one thing...

He definitely couldn't survive on his own.

Even before he went to Afirer Kingdom, Peter was not a rich person and his earnings were only enough for him to get by every single day.

Peter used to think that it was enough.

He didn't have that high of a dream and what he wanted the most was for his 'family' members to come back to live.

But it was impossible.

Even when he was in Afirer Kingdom, Peter learned that magic might be able to create miracles.

Unfortunately, not all miracles are possible.

Life and death is still a mystery that could not be explored even with magic and Peter didn't have much hope in the first place.

So after coming back to the Green Planet, Peter came to the police station and asked to talk with the higher ups because he has some kind of... information that he needed to tell them at the fastest speed possible.

Well...

There was no need to go in details about how he was almost kicked out of the police station because people didn't believe his words.

But thankfully, Peter came prepared.

His own strength had been enhanced through training and he also had the subsequent training methods.

What he needed was resources for him to get stronger.

So Peter negotiated with them and finally joined the Martial Arts Association, allowing him to become their member.

Though, Peter had some thoughts that they were actually treating him more as a test subject rather than member.

He didn't care much, though.

As long as he could get enough resources and get stronger, he would be able to replicate his achievement in Afirer Kingdom.

When he got strong enough, he would not have to experience another loss like what he had experienced before.

Right?

That was what Peter believed in.

And that was one of the few motivations he had to continue with his insane training and got stronger again and again.

After Peter met with Samuel and the two of them basically recognized each other, the higher ups treated him more politely too. It seemed that they started to trust his words more than before.

Peter was glad.

Because this meant that he didn't have to continue being watched by others.

It was not comfortable.

But Peter endured it because he knew that him coming to the higher ups with that kind of information was indeed suspicious enough.

If they didn't have some trust in him and probably because they wanted to try it out, they might have arrested him a long time ago.

\*cough\*

Peter had to say that he was quite lucky.

The Green Planet is safe enough and Peter didn't think that anything bad would happen to them. He just needed to live his own life without the need to worry about other people too much.

But he soon realized that he was too naive.