

Chapter 1554 There Is A Way

Liam and Arthur glanced at each other, both hesitating to speak. They feared that even a single word might interrupt Katherine and influence her judgment of the sword of darkness.

The room fell into a heavy silence. After what felt like an eternity, Katherine finally broke it. Her expression was serious as she said, "Liam, I think your sword of darkness seems to have absorbed too much negative energy lately. You've been feeding it too much of that energy, and now, it's overwhelmed. That's why it has stopped evolving."

Liam's eyes widened as the truth hit him. He hadn't realized it, but his obsession with the sword's evolution had caused it to reject any further growth for the time being.

But Liam couldn't bring himself to sit back and wait for the sword of darkness to take in the negative energy once more. The uncertainty of how long it would take gnawed at him.

The burden of saving his wife and son rested heavily on his shoulders. With so much at stake, the desire to grow stronger was simply too tempting to ignore.

This urgency, this desperate need for more power, was the reason Liam had been so impatient.

Liam turned to Katherine and asked, "Do I have to just wait for the sword of darkness to absorb all the negative energy before I can try again? Is there no other way?"

Katherine offered a gentle smile, her head shaking slowly. "There is a way, but it's all a matter of luck. Success isn't certain. Of course, you could always wait for the sword of darkness to get through this phase of

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saturation. That shouldn't take too long-maybe about twenty years."

Liam had clung to a tiny hope, believing that perhaps in just a month or two, the sword of darkness would begin to absorb negative energy again.

But Katherine's words shattered that hope completely.

About twenty years?

That meant the sword of darkness would stay stuck at the mystic-grade level for about two decades.

Liam couldn't wait that long.

The sword of darkness was his strongest ally in the mission to save Julie and Asher.

If it could evolve into an ethereal-grade weapon, his chances of success would soar.

But if it stayed at the mystic-grade level, his chances of success would drop drastically.

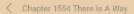
Although the mystic-grade level was just one level below the etherealgrade level, the gap in strength between them was enormous.

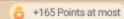
Mystic-grade weapons were only a step above regular weapons, but their destructive power was way stronger than that of regular ones. And ethereal-grade weapons could summon a powerful avatar, channeling the weapon's true power to unleash devastating attacks on foes.

Ethereal-grade weapons were rare treasures, so valuable that even someone as powerful as Caden, who was the Lord of Rosefinch, might not even own one.

Then there were the immortal-grade weapons—these were in a league of their own. Their power was unimaginable, and they were capable of causing massive destruction.

Liam remembered seeing Vogel's projections, where it was shown that, at





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its peak, the sword of darkness could go beyond even the immortal-grade level. With just a single swing, it had the power to destroy an entire planetary system!

Of course, Liam didn't think he could make the sword of darkness reach immortal-grade level anytime soon.

Liam looked at Katherine, hope shining in his eyes, and said, 'You mentioned there is another way to fix this. Could you tell me what it is?'

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Chapter 1555 Stay A Little Longer

Katherine smiled gently, her eyes kind as she said directly, "There's an ore called Meteor Gold. It can only be found from fallen stars."

Liam gave a small nod, the name sinking into his mind.

Katherine warned him that Meteor Gold was a rare find, but Liam didn't feel discouraged. He believed he would find it eventually.

And even if he didn't, there was always the Network of Human Sovereign's online marketplace. Maybe it would show up there.

The marketplace stretched far and wide, offering countless options. As long as Liam had enough points, there was nothing he couldn't get.

Liam remembered that even the blood essence of Blood Sovereign, a rare item, had once been sold there.

A sense of relief washed over Liam as the thought settled in. He turned to Katherine, his gaze full of genuine gratitude. "I can't thank you enough. Your help means so much to me. I will always remember this."

Liam's voice was steady, filled with sincerity. Arthur, who had been quietly observing, knew immediately that Liam was serious.

Arthur had seen enough of Liam's character to understand that Liam always repaid people who helped him.

At that moment, Katherine let out a soft chuckle and replied, "Oh, there's no need for all this formal talk. Speaking of which—"

Katherine suddenly stopped talking.

Liam and Arthur exchanged puzzled glances, wondering why Katherine had

suddenly stopped talking. Katherine, noticing her slip of the tongue, gave a small smile and decided not to say anything more.

Liam chose not to push further.

After all, with Katherine's strength and influence, she had the freedom to speak or act however she pleased.

Liam lowered his head in a respectful bow and said, 'I believe it's time for me to leave now."

Katherine smiled, nodded, and said warmly, "Alright. Go back and get some rest."

'Grandmother, I'll be heading out as well,' Arthur said. He also moved to

But Katherine stopped him with a gentle shake of her head and said, "Arthur, you should stay a little longer. It's been far too long since we had a proper talk."

Arthur looked at Katherine, confusion crossing his face. He didn't quite understand what she meant.

Unlike Cecil, who always wandered from place to place, he had long hit a wall in his training. He rarely left the family home.

He spent most of his days at home, so he often had time to chat with Katherine.

But just as Arthur was about to ask Katherine, he saw her face shift. Her usual calm expression was replaced by a more serious one.

Arthur, sensing the change, quickly nodded and said, "Okay! Grandmother, I'll stay here with you a bit longer."

Liam, noticing the shift in the atmosphere and understanding that they probably had private matters to discuss, decided to leave.

Once Liam had stepped out, Arthur turned to Katherine, his curiosity piqued.

"Grandmother, what is it you want to tell me in private?" he asked.

Arthur wasn't naive. He knew that if Katherine asked him to stay, she must have something important to tell him.

Katherine noticed the realization in Arthur's eyes and felt a bit pleased. With a small nod, she said, "Arthur, I've asked you to stay because there's something important I need to tell you."

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