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Chapter 211 19: Supreme Elder (1/3)

[Immortal Stone? The Merciless Guanyin?]

Over there, David was still listening to the Four armed Giant recount the history of this world.

In the depths of his mind, Li Hao had already shifted his gaze towards the two biggest winners from that "Godslaying War" in the past.

As the Four armed Giant said, that war almost wiped out the initial batch of Ascenders.

Most of the Ascenders still active in the World of Fallen Gods today, arrived after that and are here seeking "opportunities."

After all, with the precedent set by the Mist Spirit, even those Ascenders who were previously waiting and watching started to believe in the reality of the World of Fallen Gods.

As for the risks?

Which Ascender hasn't encountered countless risks to reach this point?

They all firmly believe they are the protagonist, the child of destiny, the ultimate winners who can succeed in Ascension to Divinity.

The existence of the World of Fallen Gods merely provided them with an opportunity, an opportunity not to quietly wait for death during their long lifespans.

[Is it the Immortal Stone?]

As Li Hao focused his gaze, concentrating his attention...

The Celestial Tao System began to rewind the history of this world, revealing the life experiences of the "Immortal Stone."

The current "Immortal Stone" is a tall, indifferent humanoid skeleton.

It possesses an aura and majesty far beyond that of the undead.

Even just standing there quietly, it gives off an imposing aura that makes people feel unwelcome.

However, unlike ordinary skeletons, a golden heart beats slowly at the chest of this "Immortal Stone."

That is the trophy of the "Immortal Stone."

And also the heart of the Mist Spirit who successfully ascended to divinity in the past.

With the blessing of this divine heart, the "Immortal Stone" is coming back to life.

Strands of flesh and blood are growing along the skeleton, making the body of the "Immortal Stone" emit a majestic golden light like that of a deity.

The white skeleton is being dyed gold, and divine flesh is sprouting on the bones.

Everyone can see that the "Immortal Stone" is undergoing Ascension to Divinity.

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Rising above the bones, standing atop the peak of undead.

The "Immortal Stone" gazes at the distant Quinn, a dreamy shimmer flashing through those empty skeletal eyes as past memories flood back.

Back then, the "Immortal Stone" was just a little skeleton called Stone.

It was cannon fodder on the front lines, a little transparent one who could die at any moment...

The only thing that set it apart from other undead was that Stone could think, allowing it to often survive the fiercest battles.

Though its method was feigning death rather than fighting, Stone felt no shame in it.

Or rather, for the undead born from corpses, "playing dead" was actually a smart tactic.

Yet in those moments of playing dead, a doubt inevitably arose in Stone's heart — does this endless war really have any meaning?

The undead are but remnants of corpses, the grudges of Innate Gods...

The individuals of Intelligent Mechanism are products of assembly lines, thoroughly brainwashed lunatics...

As long as there are corpses in this world, and as long as the assembly lines of the "City of Intelligent Mechanism" keep running, the war between the two sides will never end.

Until that day, Quinn discovered the feigning dead Stone on a battlefield mixed with machinery and corpses.

It wasn't the first intelligent undead Quinn had found, but it was the closest to an Honorary Citizen.

Thus, what happened next was inevitable.

Stone became the first undead to be sent back to the Mountain and Sea Realm by Quinn for further education, making the Honorary Citizens of the Mountain and Sea Realm acknowledge the potential hidden in this world.

In a sense, the subsequent frequent exchanges between the Mountain and Sea Realm and the World of Fallen Gods were built on this foundation.

However, Stone, who should have thus become the first "Honorary Citizen," resolutely returned to the World of Fallen Gods after completing its studies.

At this moment, Stone was no longer Stone.

Its skeletal body became harder, and its thoughts became more active.

Stone had already understood that all events in the World of Fallen Gods were just a strategic game between two Supreme beings.

The first Supreme of the World of Fallen Gods — "Buddha" lost in a particular match, thus relinquishing part of the world's ownership.

Stone knew better than anyone that "Buddha's" voluntary retreat was not as simple as it seemed, and there must be a deeper deal with another Supreme behind it.

But those were too distant from Stone, secrets far beyond its grasp.

Stone only knew that the Supreme Elder, whom its kind in the Mountain and Sea Realm referred to as "Creator," possessed a benevolent heart.

Though the Creator merely granted the World of Fallen Gods the right to "choose."

Stone was an entity born from this "choice," clearly aware of the preciousness of such a right to choose.

"I will follow the Creator's will, bringing more 'choices' to my world."

This was Stone's resolute response to the persuasions from Quinn and the Honorary Citizens.

Then, favored by the Celestial Tao System, Stone embarked on a path destined without return — a path to bring "equality" to all beings by its strength alone.

This "equality" was not peace, but a choice.

No matter how lowly your birth, no matter which faction you belong to...

If you are a member of the World of Fallen Gods, you have the right to choose another way of living.

Therefore, when Stone's choice intersected with the world's destiny — the "Immortal Stone" was born.

Roaming across the world, treating every creature it met with equality...

Stone seemed like a monk, seeking to affirm its future path by witnessing the suffering of the world.

In this journey, Stone inevitably encountered Ascenders from other worlds.

Those Ascenders, with different personalities and ambitions, further refined Stone's thoughts and principles.

When Stone came to its senses, it had already become an Ascender.

Subsequently, the major event occurred where the Mist Spirit ascended the Divine Throne, seeking to ascend as a God in this world, only to fall under the siege of a group of Ascenders.

During this, Stone demonstrated astonishing power and will, becoming one of the main forces in the siege.

As for the reason Stone chose to participate in the siege, it was simple.

The Mist Spirit deceived the faith of the undead, turning hundreds of thousands who had developed primary wisdom into cannon fodder for its ascent to the Divine Throne.

This was something Stone could never tolerate and indirectly became one of the reasons for the Mist Spirit's ultimate failure in Ascension.