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Chapter 317 8: Lord of the Mountains

"Mutated Undeadman? Anomaly Response Unit?"

From a distance, the giant skeleton approaching the mountain forest was spotted by Feishu, who immediately recognized its identity.

This wasn't because Gu Zhu was particularly famous, but because it had a badge symbolizing the "Anomaly Response Unit" hanging on its chest.

The large badge that should have been used for blockade and warning looked no bigger than a "pendant" around Gu Zhu's neck.

Gu Zhu had intentionally hung it there, considering the potential interference from an Ascender.

Because in the Mountain and Sea Realm, every Ascender knew what the "Anomaly Response Unit" badge represented.

Gu Zhu didn't expect the badge alone to compel a hidden Ascender to reveal themselves.

But wearing this badge did manage to intimidate certain malicious individuals to the greatest extent.

"So big..."

Feishu was indeed intimidated.

However, it wasn't the "Anomaly Response Unit" badge that intimidated Feishu, but Gu Zhu's massive size.

Standing from afar, it didn't seem significant, but when Gu Zhu entered the mountains, Feishu was suddenly struck by the exaggerated enormity of its form.

Though it couldn't compare to Dragon Child reaching up to touch the clouds.

But with a body size akin to a mountain, it went beyond what general skeletons or even living beings could reach.

The most exaggerated part was that the skeleton's speed wasn't affected by its size at all; it looked incredibly agile and swift.

When it raised its hand like a normal person, Feishu even heard a sonic boom from its fingertips.

The motion equivalent to a human's appeared on this Bone Giant.

In less than a second, it covered hundreds of meters, producing a super-speed sonic whistle.

It's no exaggeration to say that any normal movement a person could perform, when done by this Bone Giant, had a terrifying destructive power capable of splitting mountains and stones.

Perhaps because of the considerable commotion it caused, Gu Zhu had not ventured far into the mountains before startling every kind of beast living in that area.

Faced with this unknown invader, the beasts dominating the forest instinctively roared, trying to resist this foreigner invading their territory.

Especially the true overlords of the forest, who bared their fangs despite the size difference with the Bone Giant, ready to counterattack at any moment.

"Help me 'calm' them down!"

Fortunately, Gu Zhu was well prepared for this and quickly signaled Ya Yan on its shoulder to take action.

"Got it! Remember to buy me a drink once the mission's over!"

After patting Gu Zhu with its wings, Ya Yan soared into the sky and activated its amplification implant.

Awoo!

It sounded both like a beast's roar and a bird's call...

A voice full of oppressive force, like that of the King of Ten Thousand Beasts, emitted from Ya Yan's mouth.

Along with this sound came a presence and power dominating the top of the food chain.

This wasn't just a roar of the King of Ten Thousand Beasts but an aggressive high-frequency sonic wave attack.

Every beast that heard this sound trembled, bowed down, and dared not lift their heads towards the Bone Giant.

Had Ya Yan not deliberately restrained the aggressiveness of this sound, the startled beasts would have been scared to death on the spot.

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"What's that sound?"

Due to the loudness of Ya Yan's sound, even Dragon Child, deep in the mountains, heard it.

Involuntarily, Dragon Child turned towards the source of the sound, sensing a chilling feeling.

Alongside the instinctual alert from her body, Dragon Child's expression showed great curiosity.

"Xiaocao, Xiao A, Xiao Rong... they all seem frightened by this sound?"

The Xiaocao, Xiao A, and Xiao Rong mentioned by Dragon Child were unquestionably apex predators in this forest, with several being genuine Epic-level creatures.

Though reluctant, they had, under Dragon Child's martial pressure, played the role of companions for years.

"It's the call of the MinAseerpentg She, and it's a call from a Half-god level MinAseerpentg She, at that."

Looking somewhat pained at the direction beyond the mountains, Long Bo obviously realized something.

"But the true MinAseerpentg She would only make such a call when encountering danger."

"So it's not a real MinAseerpentg She calling, but a 'MinAseerpentg She series' armed implant—Serpent's Fury."

Dragon Child tilted her head curiously, not entirely grasping Long Bo's words.

Yet, this didn't stop Dragon Child from interpreting them in her way.

"Dad, did someone from the outside come in?"

"You never let me interact with those outside people; is it because they're evil?"

"Do you want me to teach them a lesson? I can also avenge Xiaocao and the others!"

Dragon Child's words revealed her eagerness, driven by her innate curiosity for all unknown things.

"..."

Long Bo didn't answer right away, instead silently glanced at Dragon Child.

Until Dragon Child blinked in confusion, Long Bo sighed with relief, the liberating smile reappearing on his face after ages.

"Darling daughter, isn't it boring staying with dad in these mountains?"

Out of nowhere, Dragon Child felt an ominous sensation.

Yet, out of habit, she nodded affirmatively and, with innocent candor, said.

"Yeah, it is quite boring, though Xiaocao and the others keep me company."

Wearing a brilliant smile, every word Dragon Child said now came from the heart.

"Too bad they can't talk, and they always want to spar with me..."

Taking a deep breath, Long Bo spoke again.

"Well, do you want to leave here? To explore the outside world?"

Startled, Dragon Child widened her eyes, hearing her father say such things for the first time.

"I do! Of course, I want to!"

"But, Dad, didn't you say I can't leave here?"

Avoiding direct eye contact with Dragon Child, Long Bo continued to smile as he replied.

"Well, we hadn't found the right opportunity before, had we?"

"Now that there's a chance, and you wish to explore, how can I refuse?"

Feigning seriousness, Long Bo raised an eyebrow and added.

"Sweet daughter, think about it, have I ever not met your demands?"

"Even if reaching for the stars, your father will find a way to bring them down for you."