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Chapter 385 - 7: The 13th Celestial Father Gu A

"What a great person!"

As the [Prank Doorbell] absorbed the twisted humanoid, it naturally inherited all the other's memories and abilities.

Thanks to this, Li Hao witnessed the experiences of the pawnshop's past owners battling against it.

Since Wang Hai, every owner of the pawnshop had clearly recognized its terror and made efforts accordingly.

Each owner's restrictions targeting the pawnshop itself, clauses striving for fairness...

These were not the original rules of the pawnshop.

Quite the opposite, the original pawnshop existed like a true demon.

It was through the efforts of successive owners that the pawnshop gradually transformed into its current form.

Until the last owner used a loophole during a transaction to enter eternal, immortal slumber, completing the seal on the pawnshop.

"Does the reappearance of the pawnshop suggest that its last owner has died?"

This is a logical inference and also a fact.

It was precisely due to the death of the last owner that the pawnshop resurfaced to find a new host.

If it hadn't been for Li Hao's unexpected emergence, perhaps when Xiang Chong appeared again, he would have already been the incarnation of the twisted humanoid.

No, continuing to call the other a twisted humanoid might seem a bit impolite.

Through tracing back those memories, Li Hao had discovered its true name — Gu A.

That was the name of the "God of Wealth" who had once fallen to Earth and was the only thing inherited from the twisted humanoid's predecessor.

"Gu A, have I heard that name somewhere before?"

Constantly adjusting his pronunciation, Li Hao tried to recall where he had heard this name.

The sound grew more ethereal, the tone more grand.

Li Hao suddenly realized he had made a prejudiced mistake.

The name "Gu A" was pronounced based on human vocal cords, in a human way.

Yet on the level of the gods, the pronunciation of "Gu A" itself carried an indescribable divine might, a unique god name across All Heavens and Myriad Realms.

"Celestial Father Gu A?"

His eyes suddenly widening, Li Hao realized where he had indeed heard that name before.

In the [Civilization Game], records of Celestial Father Gu A rank only below that of Celestial Father Hathor.

For Celestial Father Gu A was the thirteenth Celestial Father, the strongest of the last generation.

At the same time, Celestial Father Gu A was the Celestial Father closest to this generation of gods.

In today's All Heavens and Myriad Realms, at least over a third of the Supreme Gods have witnessed Celestial Father Gu A's divine might with their own eyes.

"The thirteenth Celestial Father is actually dead? And he died on Earth?"

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Gu A is the last existence to be honored as "Celestial Father" in the current era.

Although nominally the god in charge of "wealth," in reality, like all past Celestial Fathers, Gu A was an entity of true omniscience and omnipotence.

The "God of Wealth" was just one of His incarnations.

As for the achievements of this "God of Wealth," they were truly remarkable.

The [Balance of Truth], capable of weighing everything tangible or intangible in the [Civilization Game], was one of the masterpieces of this "God of Wealth."

With the divine power of the Ninth Celestial Father Hathor.

Before becoming Celestial Father, Gu A had categorized all valuable things in All Heavens and Myriad Realms, ultimately establishing the exchange rules of the [Balance of Truth].

Unfortunately, the [Balance of Truth] was an embodiment of Celestial Father Hathor's power and not a tool for Gu A's ascension to Celestial Father.

What truly allowed Gu A to stand out among the Supreme Gods and become the strongest of an era was the concept of the "Mythical Divine Artifact."

Before Celestial Father Gu A, no matter how powerful, the upper limit for divine artifacts was epic level.

Or more precisely, before Gu A, no matter how powerful or specialized the capabilities of a divine artifact were, its impact was limited to the worlds governed by its own divine pantheon.

Causing influence to the entire All Heavens and Myriad Realms was always the dominion of the Celestial Fathers.

Yet the divine artifact created by Gu A himself—[Wheel of All Realms]—could forcibly alter world rules, merging two extreme worlds from different dimensions into one.

In other words, if Gu A desired, He could even connect two worlds with entirely distinct rules.

Thus, Celestial Father Gu A's ambition became apparent.

He wanted to unify All Heavens and Myriad Realms into a single entity.

He wanted beings from All Heavens and Myriad Realms to live in the same world, under one starry sky.

Because in Gu A's view, the continual wars and conflicts in All Heavens and Myriad Realms arose due to the lack of mutual communication and understanding between beings born in different worlds.

If the [Ascension Area] could become a massive independent universe like the [Fallen Area].

Then, even with significant differences, the beings living within would have a mutual base for understanding and integration.

From this perspective, Gu A's ambition was even grander than all previous Celestial Fathers.

—Unify All Heavens and Myriad Realms and forge eternal peace!

In light of this, Gu A incited an apocalyptic catastrophe in the last generation, comparable to the "Twilight of the Gods."

Celestial Father Gu A shattered the [Brahma's Dream] of the Hindu Gods, dealt a severe blow to the Celestial Human Civilization, and brazenly invaded the worlds of other Celestial Fathers.

Gu A's deeds in worlds outside the [Civilization Game] and within other divine pantheons were even categorized as forbidden.

This alone shows the audacity and impact of this Celestial Father's past actions.

The final outcome of that great war is clearly documented in the [Civilization Game].

In the late stage of that war, Gu A had once successfully transformed the [Ascension Area] into an integral whole, making it a universe independent like the [Fallen Area].

Sadly, Gu A predicted everything except the human heart.

At the crucial moment of his impending success, his closest divine dared to shatter the [Wheel of All Realms], causing the previously unified rules of All Heavens and Myriad Realms to fragment once more.

Whether there were hidden secrets in this, no one knows.

In any case, since then, Gu A, like most Celestial Fathers, vanished, never to appear again.

However, having once encountered the [Faceless], Li Hao knows that Gu A's yearning was, barely, considered fulfilled.

Because somewhere in All Heavens and Myriad Realms, in an area unknown in the [Ascension Area], there exists a [Realm of No Space-Time] composed of numerous smaller worlds.

Furthermore, the [Faceless] who controls this [Realm of No Space-Time] possesses high authority within the [Civilization Game], capable of extending invitations to new gods joining it.

When Li Hao was looking for the Long-Eyed God, the other provided him with a divine artifact capable of connecting All Heavens and Myriad Realms—the [Gate of Ten Thousand Realms].

"Now the question arises, could the Faceless be Gu A?"