

## **The Growth 388**

### Chapter 388 - 10: Innate Soul

After being brought back to Dongli City, A He and Amu met with the prophets from Zhiku at the first opportunity.

Unlike the rough inquiry methods of Taihang and Tang He, the prophets from Zhiku interrogated A He and Amu, covering almost every conceivable aspect.

In response, the two exhibited a highly cooperative attitude.

Because both A He and Amu were aware that the Mountain and Sea Civilization was renowned for its generosity and kindness.

As long as they honestly explained their origin and purpose, they had a high chance of gaining the protection of the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

Even if they couldn't ultimately stay in the Mountain and Sea Realm, being sent to Marz World or other peaceful worlds belonging to the Mountain and Sea Realm was acceptable.

Or more precisely, A He and Amu had long been prepared to accept any outcome.

As long as they weren't sent back to their own world, they could accept any disposition by the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

Here, we must mention the original world of A He and Amu.

It is different from the worlds known to the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

A He and Amu's original world was a typical world completely ruled by the Gods.

No Rebels, no Desecrators, and not an altruistic Creator like Li Hao.

In that world, the Gods were the supreme existence, akin to natural laws that could not be defied.

Under the rule of the Gods, the civilization progressed bit by bit, yet remained confined to a stage that had not broken away from ignorance.

In terms of ideology, the sentient beings of that world worshipped and believed in the Gods, treating the scriptures of the Gods as life commandments that had to be adhered to.

Technologically, the intelligent races of that world were constantly innovating, even possessing the technology to travel beyond their world.

Unfortunately, when ideology and technology became mismatched, it signified even more terrifying oppressive control.

A very few high-ranking people controlled the vast majority of the productive power.

The remaining lower-class populace had no awareness of the source of their suffering and misery.

If the Gods weren't tangible realities, greatly intimidating the upper echelons.

The lower populace of that world would likely have long been reduced to the status of cattle and horses.

Even so, apart from the lucky few favored by the Gods, who could rise above their original class and find upward mobility.

The remaining populace could only attribute their misfortune and suffering to fate amidst endless prayers.

A He and Amu were such beings.

The only fortunate thing was that A He and Amu learned about the outside world through certain channels.

From that day, the two, originally the most devout followers of the Gods, nurtured a seed of doubt in their hearts.

Thus, taking the opportunity of a "Deep Space Experiment" personally orchestrated by the Gods, the two decisively escaped on the "Divine Ship".

A He and Amu did not want to remain the Gods' lambs or the upper echelons' cattle and horses for life.

Having learned about external civilizations, the two wanted to witness worlds where they could freely govern their own will.

If those worlds truly existed, did it mean they were nothing more than "livestock" raised by the Gods?

It should be known that any life capable of becoming an Ascender is essentially outstanding in their respective civilization.

Despite being limited by their knowledge, appearing somewhat ignorant and simple-minded, A He and Amu did not lack wisdom or discernment.

So once they understood the nature of the Gods, their rebellion was merely a matter of course.

In fact, similar rebels weren't uncommon under traditional godly rule.

Those Ascenders not embraced by the Gods to become the ruling class would more or less exhibit similar rebellious tendencies.

Among them, those who went to extremes would likely become true Desecrators.

A few doubters like A He and Amu used various methods to verify their hypotheses and ideas.

Then, as things naturally progressed.

The two fled to other worlds, witnessing sceneries different from their original world.

Alas, most worlds weren't much different from their native world.

The Gods still stood above all life, unimpeachable existences.

Under the Gods, a high echelon still exists, treating lower-class beings as cattle and horses. There are still those who rely on the Gods' favor to escape their strata.

Those weren't the worlds A He and Amu sought.

Just as they were on the brink of utter despair, they learned about the existence of the Mountain and Sea Realm and its civilization's philosophy.

The Mountain and Sea Civilization, allowing a hundred flowers to blossom and contend, was precisely the "Heaven" A He and Amu were searching for.

For this, they wouldn't hesitate to traverse dangerous spatial vortices.

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"So, they are indeed mere refugees."

Standing at the farthest edge of the conference hall, Taihang whispered so to Tang He.

"If it weren't for the 'Divine Ship' they piloted, crafted by the hands of the Gods, they'd have hardly managed to traverse the spatial vortex so fortuitously."

"It's just a bit of a waste. It would have been better if that 'Divine Ship' hadn't crashed..."

Hearing the subtleties, Tang He immediately understood what Taihang was lamenting.

From very early on, the Mountain and Sea Civilization envisioned creating a "Sky City" and had been striving towards that realization ever since.

However, due to technological barriers, a "Sky City" truly satisfactory to the Mountain and Sea Civilization had never come to fruition.

In such a situation, a 'Divine Ship' crafted entirely by the Gods could likely help the Mountain and Sea Civilization break through its own technological barriers.

"There's nothing to regret."

"More important now than that 'Divine Ship' is the child in their bellies."

Based on information he had heard earlier, Tang He said with a somewhat grave expression.

"The soul of that child is an 'Innate Soul', an 'Original Soul' that hasn't undergone any reincarnation."

"Its situation has already alarmed the Netherworld Race. I've heard there's even a Netherworld Celestial Monarch planning to come and assess the situation."

Now it was Taihang's turn to gape in astonishment.

Though he already knew that the child's soul was very fragile, unlike the 'Soul of the Mountains and Seas' that had undergone countless reincarnations.

Yet, upon learning the child's soul was actually an 'Innate Soul', the shock left Taihang speechless for quite some time.

"There's still an 'Innate Soul' without past lives in the Mountain and Sea Realm? How's that possible?"