

## The Growth 41

Chapter 41 Longevity Species

[Artifact: God's Enemy: Sin Day (Sealed State)]

[Type: Divine Abomination]

[Quality: Rare Treasures]

[Function ①] Infused with a portion of the World Will's Power, it harbors enmity towards all gods attempting to invade this world, and if necessary, would self-destruct to perish alongside the gods.]

[Function ②] Under Sin Day, all bones of the deceased have the probability to resurrect as Skeletons.]

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[Artifact: Storm Chain]

[Type: Divine Power]

[Quality: Legend]

[Function: Harnessed from the Divine Sequence's Power of the Storm, it possesses the capacity to seal all evils.]

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Everything was as Li Hao predicted.

The One-Eyed Divine Abomination bound by the Storm Chain, though retaining the ability to resurrect Skeletons.

Yet those Skeletons resurrected by it no longer driven by hatred due to the Storm Chain.

Though from the current situation, this essentially greatly weakens the number of Skeletons the One-Eyed Divine Abomination can resurrect, in exchange for the birth of more moderate Skeletons.

However, to Li Hao, this is not a problem at all.

After all, compared to the quantity of Skeletons, Li Hao values more the transformation of One-Eyed Divine Abomination into "Sin Day."

From this moment on, Skeletons will officially become part of this world.

As long as the blood-red Sin Day hangs high in the sky, Skeletons will continue to appear in this world, becoming the largest group.

[The only question now is how to evolve these new beings into a true race of wisdom.]

While elated that his world is becoming more prosperous, Li Hao did not forget the solemn warning of the Faceless and Hua She.

Skeletons are different from those living races.

They typically exist as cannon fodder for the Dark Element and Death Element gods.

—Lacking wisdom, no potential for advancement.

These are the tags labeled on Skeletons and an objective fact.

Merely seeing the single-digit Attributes of Skeletons is enough to make most gods abandon the idea of cultivating this useless race.

In All Heavens and Myriad Realms, probably only Li Hao, who cares little for Attribute values as a Mysterious Creature, would choose Skeletons as the clan of his main world.

Of course, upon careful consideration, this world is actually quite suitable for Skeletons in a way.

The first point is, this world is not a newly born world.

As the former Mountain and Sea Realm, this world has experienced more than one apocalypse.

It was Li Hao who sacrificed countless lives to barely pull this world back from the brink of destruction.

Therefore, buried beneath this world are numerous lives.

Apart from those corpses reintegrated into the natural cycle, there will always be some special corpses like the "Immortal Bone" that are preserved.

Under the illumination of Sin Day, even if less than one percent of these corpses can be successfully resurrected, it is still a very large number.

Secondly, is the issue of the race's potential.

Skeletons are labeled lacking wisdom and potential simply because they only have a skeleton.

Skeletons with only a skeleton do find it difficult to make further breakthroughs in Personal Attributes.

After all, creatures with flesh can train their muscles, while lifeforms composed of Elements can learn Magic...

Except for Skeletons, only the gods of the Dark Element and Death Element would specialize in learning and researching abilities that can strengthen bones.

Moreover, due to this reason, it's very challenging for Skeletons to make breakthroughs in wisdom.

To say a race that's just a skeleton frame still has brains is giving them too much credit!

However, these shortcomings are not shortcomings in Li Hao's view.

Skeletons that survived multiple apocalypses are more or less stronger than ordinary Skeletons.

Skeletons resurrected on this foundation, even if weaker, are surely stronger than ordinary Skeletons.

Although this can't completely make up for the disadvantages of Skeletons, at least it ensures they don't fall too far behind at the starting line.

As for the wisdom most gods value?

With the Immortals as free labor, this is not a problem either.

What ordinary races learn in ten years, Li Hao can have the Immortals teach Skeletons for a hundred years.

If they can't learn in a hundred years, let the Immortals keep teaching for another hundred years.

Anyways, the Immortals have the patience and time, and Skeletons certainly won't refuse.

This also connects to the aspect Li Hao values most in Skeletons — the issue of lifespan.

In other worlds, Skeletons are considered short-lived simply due to their role positioning.

How long can you expect a race of cannon fodder to live?

In fact, without external interference, ordinary Skeletons can live until their bones completely decay.

This period is usually about ten to fifteen years, with careful maintenance, they might live longer.

If it were the special Skeletons left in the Mountain and Sea Realm, this period will be even longer.

So long that even Li Hao, the Creator, cannot ascertain the specific decay time.

Li Hao reckons himself not a person of deep affections, but neither is he heartless.

Since he has decided to devote energy to this world.

Li Hao would never accept that upon entering dreams the next day, certain races and individuals he favored the previous night naturally perished with time.

Longevity, or even immortality...

Is the foundation for Li Hao to determine whether a race qualifies as his followers.

This completely different selection criteria from other gods later became one of Li Hao's trademarks.

To most gods, the drawbacks of longevity outweigh the benefits.

Due to too long a lifespan, solidified class situations arise...

Due to too long a lifespan, losing reverence for gods becomes easy...

Due to too long a lifespan, breeding ambition to become gods becomes likely...

Due to too long a lifespan, causing the civilization to completely lose its enterprising spirit...

All in all, a "qualified" god can enumerate many drawbacks of longevity.

In contrast, short-lived races require little benefits and grace from gods, a "death" is enough to make them sincerely kneel at the feet of gods.

Nonetheless, regardless of how many drawbacks longevity may have, Li Hao values only one thing—he doesn't want to be that "qualified" god.

In Li Hao's perspective, inheriting the power of Candle Dragon by chance doesn't mean he has to become Candle Dragon.

Perhaps... being a "god" with humanity is also a nice choice?