

## **The Growth 488**

Chapter 488 - 10: Candle Dragon's Remains

Three days later, in the Central City of the Fertile Plains.

With Fengdu City of the Underworld set ablaze.

The news about "Artificial Souls" and the [Box of the Creator] spread throughout the entire Mountain and Sea Civilization.

Especially the Great Prophets of the Hundred Races of Mountains and Seas, who were the first to arrive at Central City.

"How dare you!?"

"How could you secretly research such dangerous projects without telling us!?"

"Especially the 'Box of the Creator', how did we not know it was still running a virtual life program?"

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The prophets' noisy roars and questions echoed in Tianyou's ears, causing it to make a face of being overwhelmed.

However, overwhelmed as it was, Tianyou had to endure the prophets' scolding.

It now particularly missed the time when it hadn't yet become a leader.

Back then, it could do whatever it wanted without having to care about the opinions of a bunch of old men and women.

"Tianyou!"

Obviously noticing Tianyou's absent-mindedness, the nearest Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race lowered their voice and called out.

"Huh?"

Snapping out of its daze, Tianyou immediately saw the expression of exasperation on the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race.

"Cough cough, I got distracted accidentally..."

Slightly embarrassed, Tianyou explained quietly.

For this prophet, who had practically watched it grow up, Tianyou still held great respect.

After all, she knew the hidden retreat of A Li, and Tianyou didn't want to experience a "reported to parents" situation at its age.

"Is this the time to be distracted?"

After a slight reproach, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race ultimately didn't dwell on the matter.

After all, Tianyou's ignorance of the prophets wasn't something new, and everyone was used to it.

The more pressing issue was to figure out what else Tianyou was hiding.

Indeed, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race was almost certain that the exposed issues were not the only issues.

"What else are you hiding? Confess quickly."

"Otherwise, as everything gets uncovered, there won't be much I can do to cover for you."

The Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race earnestly advised, sincerely considering Tianyou's position.

This wasn't merely due to their personal relationship, but also because she deeply understood Tianyou's foresight and boldness.

Countless past experiences had shown the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race that, aside from being somewhat domineering and forceful, Tianyou rarely made wrong judgments.

"Did you discover something?"

Gently moving its skull, Tianyou's expression showed a hint of surprise.

Because it knew the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race would not say such things without certain intelligence.

"The Nameless Soul... did you use the 'Holy Remains'?"

With all the currently disclosed data and information, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race could almost confirm that the Nameless Soul was created using a certain "Holy Remain".

"I checked all the recent 'Holy Remains' records, and found no signs of any 'Holy Remain' being used."

"Only the phalanx of Virtuous King Gu Sheng seems to have had its data tampered with."

At this point, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race paused slightly before continuing.

"But I personally went to your Skeletons' Holy City and found no signs of that phalanx being used."

"So, this tampered data is most likely just a smokescreen, a blinding technique, you threw out."

With the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race's understanding of Tianyou, it seemed likely the other was waiting for someone to spot this clue and bring it up.

By then, Tianyou could retort and embarrass them, it was filled with mischievous pleasure.

"Tell me, what exactly are you hiding?"

"Where did the 'Holy Remains' used to create the Nameless Soul come from?"

Thinking of how the birth of the Nameless Soul destroyed a city and even alerted the Celestial Monarch of the Netherworld.

The Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race felt helpless and just wanted to quickly resolve the aftermath.

To be honest, if Tianyou hadn't deliberately arranged the research project in the sparsely populated Fengdu City and set preventive measures in advance, causing no casualties.

What awaited Tianyou would likely not be the scolding of the Zhiku Prophets.

This was also why the prophets were certain that Tianyou knew about the Nameless Soul's birth in advance.

An entire city-sweeping disaster with no casualties, just a few unlucky injuries—it sounded unimaginable.

"Hmm..."

Faced with the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race's questions, Tianyou's gaze began to wander.

This was a sign of guilt, which the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race instantly recognized, making her more bewildered.

"You brat... you didn't go to the Exotic Realm and get the remains of some God, did you?"

Given Tianyou's audacious nature, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race had no doubt he might do such a thing.

Using the remains of Exotic Gods as a substitute for "Holy Remains".

This could also explain why the Nameless Soul possessed such powerful abilities.

"Don't make me sound so outrageous!"

Seeing the situation, Tianyou knew he had to speak quickly, otherwise, he'd become a monstrous villain, so he hastily explained.

"I'd love to get my hands on some divine bones, but do I have the capability?"

Suspiciously eyeing Tianyou, the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race's gaze made him feel guilty.

"Alright! Even if I had that capability, I couldn't possibly let Exotic Gods enter the Mountain and Sea Realm, could I?"

Reluctantly continuing to defend himself, Tianyou held his ground in this matter.

Divine remains carried unknown powers, and using them for "Artificial Soul" experiments could resurrect that God, who knows.

Thus, however reckless Tianyou might be, he'd never joke about such things.

"So whose 'Holy Remains' did you use?"

Under the Great Prophet of the Nine-tailed Fox Race's persistent questioning, knowing he couldn't hide it any longer, Tianyou had to answer honestly.

"Remember the record of when the Creator's Incarnation—Fire God Huo Dou first descended to the Mountain and Sea Realm?"

"That dates back even before the birth of the Skeletons, appearing alongside the 'Day of Sin' in the Mountain and Sea Realm."

"According to mythological records, Fire God Huo Dou's first appearance was to slay a Bone Dragon resurrecting under the 'Day of Sin'."

"We all later knew that the Bone Dragon was actually the Father God of the Saintly Divine Being Yayu..."

"And also the Supreme God who ruled over the Mountain and Sea Realm before the Creator descended."