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Chapter 516 14: Deal with the Creator

A quarter of an hour later, the Scripture Pavilion returned to its former tranquility.

Yu Wei had already left, while Li Hao continued to browse through the various books in the Scripture Pavilion.

It wasn't until Hua She quietly appeared, poking its head from his shoulder, that Li Hao glanced sideways at it.

"Where have you been this time?"

Ever since Li Hao infiltrated the Four Directions Mountain, Hua She would disappear from time to time.

Li Hao knew it was looking for the user of the "Civilization Game" for him, but the results seemed less than ideal.

"This time I went to a Celestial Human Cave Mansion in the Polar Region, but unfortunately, I found nothing again."

Shaking his head in frustration, Hua She especially missed the authority it had as the Sun God.

If it were in a normal world, with its Sun God authority, no method could conceal anything from its search.

Wherever the sun shone, those places were within the reach of its divine thought.

"I'm starting to suspect that the 'Civilization Game' user might be dead; otherwise, how could I not find them?"

Saying this, Hua She cautiously glanced at Li Hao, as if trying to discern something from his expression.

"No need to tentatively probe me like this, I don't know any more than you do."

"Anyway, judging from various indications at present, the Demon Vanquishing True Monarch and the Sun Star Monarch shouldn't be the 'Civilization Game' user."

Li Hao flicked Hua She's forehead and explained impatiently.

"The Demon Vanquishing True Monarch died eight hundred years ago, and the Sun Star Monarch died two hundred years ago..."

"And that 'Civilization Game' user has been active up to now, so it's clearly impossible for them to be any of these two."

Listening to Li Hao's explanation, Hua She retorted in a low voice.

"Who knows if they're truly dead or faking it? After all, no one ever saw them die with their own eyes..."

Before the words even finished, Hua She quickly shifted the conversation, not waiting for Li Hao's response.

"Speaking of which, are you really going to help that Lotus Sect's Saintess rid herself of the Lotus Seal?"

"I trust you can see that she's not a simple character; her motives for wanting to rid herself of the Lotus Seal are far from innocent."

Confronted with Hua She's undisguised confusion, Li Hao couldn't help but chuckle.

"Of course, I know that, I'm not an idiot."

"The desire to not be bound by the obsessions of the predecessors is just one reason she wants to shake off the Lotus Seal."

After a slight pause, Li Hao added, noting the confusion in Hua She's eyes.

"What she truly wants to shake off is not the Lotus Seal, but the identity of the Lotus Sect's Saintess."

"Only then can she leave the Lotus Sect with no concerns, then seek vengeance for the Sun Star Monarch, and even spur a new reform."

"After all, with the precedent of the Sun Star Monarch..."

"She fears following in the Sun Star Monarch's footsteps, so she wants to dissociate herself from the Lotus Sect before that happens."

Upon hearing this, Hua She fell silent.

Because she never imagined that the woman, who seemed so heartless and cold, would have such a reason for wanting to rid herself of the Lotus Seal.

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"An unknown god from the Exotic Realm?"

Leaving the Scripture Pavilion, returning to her stand-alone courtyard in Four Directions Mountain.

Only at this point did Yu Wei ease her vigilance, staring blankly at the setting sun in the west for a long time, before slowly coming back to her senses.

Yu Wei knew her actions amounted to making a deal with the devil, but she simply couldn't afford to wait any longer.

For a full two hundred years, Yu Wei underwent intense psychological torment every single day.

If only she had been braver back then...

If only she had been more attentive back then...

If only she had tried a bit harder to persuade back then...

If only she wasn't the Saintess of the Lotus Sect...

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There were so many "if only's" in Yu Wei's heart that turned into regrets, and these regrets eventually transformed into ingrained hatred because of the Sun Star Monarch's death.

"No matter who you are, you all have to die!"

The hatred within her eyes was like a repressed volcano, ready to erupt at any moment.

Yu Wei no longer cared who originally betrayed the Sun Star Monarch; she now wished to kill off all the initial survivors.

Because they didn't stand alongside the Sun Star Monarch till the last moment, they didn't deserve to continue living.

"Venerable!"

Just at this moment, a voice transmitted into Yu Wei's ear via the Thousand-Mile Sound Transmission Technique.

Immediately concealing her emotions, Yu Wei reached back and pulled out a yellow talisman folded into a triangular shape.

The next second, a shadow shrouded entirely in darkness was projected forth.

"What's the matter?"

With a tone full of displeasure, Yu Wei's voice became a bit hoarse through the Thousand-Mile Sound Transmission Technique.

At the same time, Yu Wei's appearance was blurred beyond recognition, making it impossible for the contact on the other end to discern her true visage.

"Venerable, the prototype for the 'Air Gun Design Blueprint' you gave me last time has been crafted."

"As long as it is sufficiently charged with 'Fire Qi,' the projectiles it launches can inflict damage on all cultivators below the level of Divine Ability Users."

Seemingly unaware of Yu Wei's displeasure, the shadow in the dark spoke with excitement.

"Has the prototype been made?"

"When can it be mass-produced?"

Though she had long realized that the blueprint was extraordinary, the speed of completing it still astonished Yu Wei.

Because that blueprint wasn't from anyone else, it was the result of an initial transaction with Li Hao.

Yu Wei helped Li Hao conceal his identity and even researched the history of this world.

In return, Li Hao provided Yu Wei with a "power" capable of overthrowing the existing world order.

And one of these "powers" was the Air Gun Design Blueprint personally crafted by Li Hao.

It was a design drawing of the Rare Treasure Level.

Unlike firearms on Earth, Li Hao's Air Gun Design Blueprint was conceived based on the Celestial Human Realm's original "firearms" concept, and it lacked any stringent requirements on materials.

Even primitive wooden materials could be utilized to craft most components of the Air Gun Design Blueprint.

Then, by filling the corresponding magazines with different gases, it could launch bullets at three to four times the speed of sound, which were highly lethal to carbon-based organisms.

The most critical aspect was its capacity for mass production and extensive coverage of firepower.

Other than Divine Ability Users who have assimilated themselves with the primordial Qi or have practiced specialized escape techniques, most cultivators in the Celestial Human Realm could be killed by such concentrated firepower.

Along with the Air Gun Design Blueprint, Li Hao also provided Yu Wei with a series of books related to theoretical and social transformation.

Dialectical Materialism, On Practice, On Protracted War, The Solid Establishment of Base Areas, The Barefoot Doctor's Manual, The Militia Military Training Manual, and A Friend of Dual-Use Talent for Military and Civilian Purposes, among others...

Li Hao was quite curious whether Yu Wei could truly initiate an unprecedented transformation in this world with the resources he had given her.

After all, the Sun Star Monarch had already instigated a reform, but it was forcibly halted midway by the forces of the cultivators.

So, when reforms that met with untimely demise were endowed with the correct theory and direction, where would this world head?