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Chapter 52 - 4: Headlines of All Realms · Return of the Ancient God

Putting aside Hua She's nagging for the moment.

After unlocking the "Civilization Game" by borrowing the image of Hua She, Li Hao once again roamed this endless world constructed by the Gods in the form of "Hua She".

With the experience from yesterday, Li Hao's journey this time became much smoother.

Perhaps due to the connection with All Heavens and Myriad Realms, the message sources in the [Official Hall] were almost inexhaustible, constantly refreshing with more information by the minute.

Moreover, Li Hao noticed that aside from the content interfaces used for normal communication, there were actually many small Secret Realms similar to the [Secret Meeting of the Faceless].

These Secret Realms often had various special condition restrictions, and only characters who met the corresponding conditions could enter them.

Li Hao once tried to enter a Secret Realm of the [World Game Appreciation Competition].

He was astonished to find that the [World Game Appreciation Competition] was just as its name suggested—a special Secret Realm designed for people to play games.

Here, the "Hua She" controlled by Li Hao could play all sorts of games beyond his wildest imagination in the form of a game character.

From the most basic board games to virtual reality games found in various science fiction works, and even to those life experiences labeled as "games"...

As someone with a God's identity, Li Hao could clearly discern the essence of those so-called "games".

Amidst the vast sea of games, those so-called "reality-type games" were actually about sending "Hua She" to another world to experience a different kind of life.

[It's practically a highest cost-effective free labor...]

This was Li Hao's understanding of those so-called "reality-type games".

Under the guise of playing games, it was really about sending "players" like Li Hao to another world to do certain things—most likely the requirements of the Gods who provided these gaming venues.

After all, given players' inherent tendencies, as long as it's a requirement of the main storyline, they would essentially not refuse.

No matter how outrageous the task or exaggerated the actions, as long as it pertains to the main storyline, players would rack their brains to find a way to accomplish it.

Especially in those games that require large-scale wars, Li Hao suspected that some Gods were actually using players' power to expand their territories.

Until Li Hao exited the [World Game Appreciation Competition] and saw the identity of the God who founded this Secret Realm—Tranyas, the God of Contract Games and War of the Donovan God System.

To openly reveal the Divine Pantheon they are part of and their identity is actually a rare behavior in the [Official Hall].

After all, the All Heavens and Myriad Realms have bizarre and diverse Gods.

You never know when a God with peculiar powers might take advantage of you just by knowing your Divine Pantheon and name.

This also indirectly showed the courage and foundation of this "God of Games"; they are not afraid of others being envious of them.

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The phone continuously refreshed with various message sources from the [Official Hall].

Li Hao discovered that the scope encompassed by this "Civilization Game" far exceeded his imagination.

All kinds of things he knew or didn't know could appear in his view through this "Civilization Game", greatly broadening his understanding.

Then, while scrolling on his phone, Li Hao came across a hot message source interface of [Headlines of All Realms].

This seemed to be a semi-official pinned message source that would appear on Li Hao's phone interface every now and then.

Li Hao, while obtaining the "Civilization Game" yesterday, tried to browse it and found it was filled with some urgent and important headlines of the All Heavens and Myriad Realms.

Unfortunately, being a newbie, Li Hao completely didn't know what those significant messages meant, nor did he think those messages would affect him.

At least up until a minute ago, Li Hao maintained the same view.

"An Ancient God returning from the Star Realm? The old who crawled out of the Returning Ruins? Who exactly is He?"

When Li Hao saw this message as the lead headline on [Headlines of All Realms], he was utterly stunned.

With a slim hope of one in ten thousand, Li Hao clicked on the branch section of [Headlines of All Realms] and saw all the content under this headline.

Immediately, as expected, Li Hao fell into prolonged silence...

—Our Supreme God personally saw the world where that returnee came from the Returning Ruins and said He is definitely a powerful Ancient God!

—During the elevation process of that world, it disturbed a Source of Chaos near my world, causing many Ascenders here to fail in Ascension to Divinity.

—You all are still considered fortunate. A God from our Divine Pantheon wanted to join the excitement, but ended up missing because of the chaotic time flow.

—Speaking of this, our Goddess of Fate also mentioned that the time flow of that returning world seemed chaotic?

—Uh... Is this a discussion only for Gods? My God also issued a Divine Oracle, advising us to refrain from using time-related powers during this period.

—Wow! Is the one above an Apostle who has mastered time powers?

—Wait, are you trying to usurp? Does your Main God know about you getting the "Civilization Game Invitation"?

—Hey, you above, if you really intend to usurp Godhood, come and contact me; after all, in terms of blasphemy, I am the most professional!

—Cough, cough, the topic is diverging. Should we not focus on the returning world now?

—Returning to the main topic, it seems the returning Ancient God has mastered some time-related power!

—What a pity His return route didn't pass through here, otherwise I'd really want to communicate with Him.

—Haha, do you also want to get lost in the chaotic time flow?

—Rather than discussing all these messed-up matters, didn't you notice the Ancient God gained a "tagalong" during the return process?

—I know! That seems to be a God lingering on the edge of disappearance?

—He must be intending to take over during the Ancient God's incomplete recovery and rid himself of the fate of Death, right?

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Watching the content below that continuously refreshed and commented,

Li Hao then realized the enormous shock and impact his previous actions had caused in the All Heavens and Myriad Realms.

Everything else was fine, but mainly concerning the "little tail" following him, Li Hao felt he ought to pay some attention to it.

Thus, after briefly pondering for a moment, Li Hao exited the [Official Hall] and clicked into the [Secret Meeting of the Faceless] beside it.

To deal with the God intending to take over, Li Hao had to do some strategic preparation in advance.

He vaguely remembered seeing a Secret Technique specifically targeting God in the listing of items sold by the Faceless.

As for what to exchange for that Secret Treasure?

Li Hao glanced at Hua She's inventory, where there was prominently a scroll named "Sun Stone·Artificial Synthesis Formula".

That was a tribute Luo Fu seemed to have offered to Li Hao at some unknown time, naturally classified as Hua She's possessions.

This thing combined with Non Burning Wood should suffice in exchange for a non-disposable Secret Technique, right?