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Chapter 608 - 18: Apostle Invasion

"Your words sure sound better than the song!"

Furiously staring at the Armored Apostle, Marquis Yi couldn't believe a single word the other said.

"Who knows what you have really done?"

"Who knows what the New God you speak of actually is?"

"I only know that you've implanted some kind of 'virus' into Sky City, causing it to start losing control!"

In Marquis Yi's mind, the Armored Apostle is nothing more than an invader; nothing it says or does can change its identity and stance.

And even if what the Armored Apostle said is true, then what?

Rather than letting Sky City turn into a living god, Marquis Yi is more concerned about the potential outcomes and impacts it may bring after coming alive.

At the very least, the Mountain and Sea People currently in crisis must not lose control of this Sky City.

"This is the narrow-mindedness and ignorance of mortals."

Seeing through Marquis Yi's petty schemes at a glance, the Armored Apostle smirked in disdain.

Just as Marquis Yi wanted to kill the New God for the Mountain and Sea People, the Armored Apostle would also stop at nothing to ensure the New God's birth.

Clang!

Accompanied by a sound of metal clashing.

The Armored Apostle slowly drew out a massive Dragon-slaying Sword from its back.

In the moment the Dragon-slaying Sword was unsheathed, the Armored Apostle's figure vanished from Marquis Yi's view.

Whoosh!

In the blink of lightning, Marquis Yi flapped his five-colored wings at his back, transforming himself into a stream of five-colored light, ascending into the sky.

Just as the Armored Apostle reappeared at Marquis Yi's previous position, the Dragon-slaying Greatsword in its hand swung into the empty air.

"Quick reaction!"

Without a moment's hesitation, the Armored Apostle swung its sword again toward Marquis Yi's direction.

Swish—Boom!

In an instant, a sonic boom echoed through the sky.

The terrifying sword Qi that followed, tearing through the sky with momentum, came slashing towards Marquis Yi.

Regardless of technique, if speaking solely of power, this swing of the Armored Apostle's sword evidently approached the limits of a Demigod.

The absurd trait of swinging out increasingly powerful strikes even broke the energy conservation law to some extent.

Fortunately, Marquis Yi was no pushover either.

With swift reflexes, he turned around and formed a Dharma Seal, summoning an invisible giant spirit to stomp fiercely toward the Armored Apostle.

——Five Elements Escape Technique: Xun Er Wind God's Aspect!

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"Seems like it's that guy who caused the Sky City to lose control..."

Though unaware of what transpired, the Mountain and Sea People present all recognized the Armored Apostle's hostility.

Thus, a considerable portion of the Mountain and Sea People responsible for the Energy Area's security chose to join forces against the Armored Apostle.

Some activated single-unit cannon...

Some released unmanned drones...

Some piloted combat armors...

Some sent flying sword beams...

Some employed magical divine techniques...

Some scattered living plants...

Some used combat implants...

Wherever the eyes could see, the valor of the Mountain and Sea People was displayed to the fullest at this moment.

After all, the Mountain and Sea People selected to board Sky City, even the logistics personnel, were not purely non-combat units.

Boasting Ascender-level physical fitness and extraordinary abilities, along with standard combat implants.

Every Mountain and Sea Person joining the battle showed combat prowess that surprised the Armored Apostle.

Confronting a mass of opponents, the Armored Apostle had to abandon its thoughts of continuing to hunt Marquis Yi after a brief exchange.

For the Apostle realized if it persisted in slaying Marquis Yi, it might end up meeting its demise here.

Indeed, this is still considering none of the combat personnel, including Kangtao, had joined the fray.

As the combat sequence of Sky City—Kangtao and other combat personnel underwent special biological transformation projects, boasting their own Artificial Gods.

These were the super armaments that shone brightly during the Celestial Human Realm battle.

Even being weakened after mass production, their strength still far surpassed ordinary Demigods, enough to be on par with the incarnations of ordinary Gods.

The current Armored Apostle is nothing more than a Messenger of the Gods, clearly incapable of resisting multiple Artificial God Armaments.

In fact, not to mention contending with multiple Artificial God Armaments.

Merely dealing with the original users of those Artificial God Armaments would be challenging for the Armored Apostle.

Because every user of Artificial God Armaments has to undergo a series of preliminary project modifications to withstand the side effects of using these formidable armaments.

These are Ascenders, touching the end of the Ascension Ladder, who have undergone a series of biological engineering transformations; their strength far exceeds regular Ascenders.

Without exaggeration, every Sky City released by the Mountain and Sea Civilization possesses terrifying strength akin to a civilization's foundation.

Only such strength allows Sky City to possess the foundation to navigate All Heavens and Myriad Realms, and negotiate rationally with all civilizations.

After all, sometimes, the efficiency of physical negotiations is often higher than mere reasoning.

"Should we intervene?"

Lightly flapping its wings, the eagle-headed winged creature descended next to Kangtao without knowing when.

Alongside this eagle-headed being, combat personnel responsible for defending other areas gradually arrived by Kangtao's side.

"Not for now, Marquis Yi can take care of that guy."

Scanning around, Kangtao spoke thus.

Mere humanoid armor did not even qualify to activate Sky City's inherent firepower defense cannons.

Kangtao's genuine concern now lies in the legitimate God that allowed this humanoid armor entry into Sky City.

According to Hephaestus, that one is a trouble far greater than ordinary Gods.

"Have you investigated what's going on at the 'Imaginary Number Core' yet?"

Mulling over thus, Kangtao suddenly turned to inquire another person in charge of the Energy Area.

The one responding is MinAseerpentg She, who had previously interacted with Marquis Yi and did not engage in the Armored Apostle's chase and blockade like other Mountain and Sea People.

"Marquis Yi uploaded a portion of data upon exiting, documenting the specific situation of the 'Imaginary Number Core.'

Without hesitation, MinAseerpentg She shared this data on the local network, made available to the members of the council.

And through these detailed data, Kangtao and the others came to know the occurrences within the [Super Large-Imaginary Number Core], as well as the Armored Apostle's identity and purpose.

"Is it a Messenger of that God?"

Doubtfully glancing at the Armored Apostle in the sky, Kangtao found himself lost in contemplation upon dealing with this scenario for the first time.

Unlike Marquis Yi, Kangtao, as the chairperson of the Sky City's council, had far more obligations to consider.

This time piloting Sky City to explore nearby worlds, ideally establishing diplomatic relations with local civilizations, was the training task given to Kangtao by the Zhiku higher-ups.