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Chapter 67 - 19: God of Misplacement

[Is this the essence of magic?]

Curiously observing the actions of the Immortals.

Li Hao discovered that these unorthodox beings truly played the "Exorcism and Demon Control Skill" to its fullest.

The approach of dispersing spiritual essence and preventing the Rebirth of evil ghosts, as Shuli does, is already considered quite normal.

Some imaginative Immortals often use various unexpected methods when dealing with evil ghosts on their own turf.

Forcibly coalescing spiritual essence without granting it a viable form...

Thus resulting in many grotesque ghosts whose appearance would drop SAN value, yet upon closer inspection, they possess no ability to act.

Understanding the essence of souls, placing two evil ghosts within one body...

Thus leading to two-headed or even multi-headed ghosts that fight each other yet cannot kill each other.

The peculiar use of the "Exorcism and Demon Control Skill" by the Immortals has indeed refreshed Li Hao’s understanding of this ability.

Because of this, Li Hao seems to have further grasped the essence of "magic."

Unlike Earth where his true body resides, the world in All Heavens and Myriad Realms is often in a higher dimensional space.

Besides the most basic material dimension, these worlds usually have additional special dimensions akin to spirituality.

Given this, it’s unnecessary to ascend dimensions to reach Divine Level.

Ordinary creatures can use their limited Spiritual Power to intervene in spirituality aspects, thus giving rise to the concept of "magic."

"Technology" and "magic" correspond to the material and spiritual aspects of creatures, respectively.

In Li Hao’s own understanding, even if these two words were replaced with any other terms, their essence wouldn’t be affected.

After all, fundamentally, they are summaries of objective world laws by different civilizations.

In civilizations inclined towards the material dimension, such summaries of objective world laws are called science.

In civilizations inclined towards the spiritual dimension, such summaries are called philosophies.

[So, Spiritual Power is the ’hand’ of the soul.]

[The stronger the soul, the stronger the Spiritual Power. The stronger the Spiritual Power, the more can be accomplished by the ’hand.’]

Summarizing briefly, Li Hao was very satisfied as he turned his gaze back to Yao Xin.

Under the overwhelming suppression of the Immortals, the evil ghosts born due to Spirit Realm anomalies could hardly cause any significant disturbance.

If not for the battle fervor shown by the Li Min, Li Hao wouldn't have even spared any extra attention to them.

After all, compared to the vast Mountain and Sea Realm, the Li Tribe with a scale of one or two thousand people seemed so insignificant.

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Bahe Ru is a gentle banshee, yet not a competent God.

Until the day she was elevated to the Divine Throne by her followers, Bahe Ru never imagined she would become a God one day.

Perhaps it is precisely for this reason that, although Bahe Ru became the Main God, she always disliked the extreme belligerent atmosphere of her own Divine Pantheon.

Because She couldn't bear to see people she knew well die due to some war.

Unfortunately, even Gods have their helpless moments.

Enjoying the benefits of the Divine Pantheon naturally comes with the obligation of being the Main God.

Bahe Ru, who disliked war, instead nurtured the most loyal apostles, the strongest divine beings, and the most prosperous civilization.

This is like some kind of malicious cycle: the more Bahe Ru shows her aversion to war, the more wars she experiences, until the arrival of the final battle.

No one can win forever, and once the war to end all wars loses, it’s a total defeat.

In that ultimate Gods’ Calamity, civilization was destroyed, worlds were shattered, Gods were slain, and in the end, only Bahe Ru, as a True God, barely survived.

This certainly wasn’t due to the enemy’s mercy.

Rather, Bahe Ru’s strongest divine being, the Forest Spirit Lich, fought to create a path for survival, forcing the enemy to abandon a world that no longer held any value.

From that day forward, Bahe Ru’s world has always been hovering on the edge of the Ascension Area and Fallen Area, constantly facing the crisis of annihilation.

Both to save herself and out of pity for the clan still living in this broken world...

Long having ascended to become a True God, Bahe Ru chose to descend dimensions and let her true form reappear in this world.

It’s worth noting that the relationship between Gods and the world is not one of mutual dependence.

From the moment of ascending to Godhood, Bahe Ru had already transcended the dimension of "life" to become an indescribable existence.

Even if the world is destroyed, Bahe Ru won’t die.

At least before falling into the Fallen Area, Bahe Ru could choose to become a wandering God, completely abandoning this empty world.

However, Bahe Ru did not make such a choice but opted to bear the weight of the entire world with her True God form.

It must be admitted that this approach, although risky, indeed has certain feasibility.

Unfortunately, Bahe Ru overestimated her ability and underestimated the extent of this world's damage.

Without the Immortal Body like Li Hao's, such scale of Life Force consumption has already exceeded Bahe Ru's limit, gradually depleting her Divinity.

The ultimate result was that Bahe Ru had to utilize her power of "Forgetfulness," completely erasing the concept of matter from the entire world.

Thus, Bahe Ru barely managed to maintain the world's balance, preventing it from entirely falling into the Fallen Area.

But what no one expected was that tragedy was born at this moment.

Due to Bahe Ru's power being too strong, the creatures living in this world also forgot the past, the Gods, and Bahe Ru who created them.

In a world with nothing, a group of forgotten souls could potentially engage in any action.

Yet, Bahe Ru was an exceedingly gentle Goddess, and the final outcome was predictable.

To continue surviving, these last souls of the world embarked on the irreversible path of consuming the Divine Body.

Bahe Ru was desolate, desperate, and silently endured all of it.

She obsessively believed that all of it was her own doing,

believing that it was her incompetence as a God that brought catastrophe to the world.

Hence, regardless of the suffering she endured.

Bahe Ru felt it was her deserved fate, a form of redemption for all living beings.

The banshee that brings misfortune was essentially just a "God of Misplacement" pushed to a position that never belonged to Her.