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Chapter 691 23: Ultimate Artificial God

It must be admitted that Gunlong, crafted with all the resources of Sky City, is indeed very effective against the Monarch Will appearing in the form of Hephaestus.

Especially when coupled with Feng Xi's ever-changing divine techniques, Gunlong practically brings the terms "custom-made," "nemesis," and "unique" to the extreme.

No matter what means Hephaestus' true form employs, Gunlong can rapidly transform into corresponding shapes and abilities.

Even if Hephaestus' true form summons the stars, Gunlong will use the [Clone Technique] to produce countless clones to respond.

This is the manifestation of power after the perfect compatibility between [Artificial God] and its driver.

The driver can perfectly amplify their own abilities using [Artificial God], while [Artificial God] can also break through its own limits using the driver's power.

Strong fundamental attributes, ever-changing abilities, coupled with nearly endless energy...

By integrating these advantages, Gunlong fully demonstrates the value of the term "Artificial Divine Body."

However, does Gunlong thus crush the true form of Hephaestus?

The answer is naturally no.

Even though Gunlong has been specifically optimized and adjusted for the various abilities of Hephaestus' true form, it still lags behind the opponent significantly in terms of life level.

Relying on the unique high-dimensional perspective and abilities of the gods, although Hephaestus' true form appears somewhat embarrassed, it has never truly been injured.

On the other hand, Feng Xi—the driver of Gunlong—seems to be struggling with this level of battle.

Honestly speaking, this is something Feng Xi never anticipated before.

To perfectly counter and deal with the Monarch Will, Feng Xi repeatedly traversed time and space to collect various combat data.

She almost considered everything possible but never considered whether her own body could withstand this level of combat.

Fighting against gods, especially such powerful gods as Hephaestus' true form.

Besides merely enhancing combat power, there's also a contest of will, spirit, and even the dimensions of life.

It's like a child wielding a great hammer; while the child can achieve the same combat power as an adult with the hammer, every swing is a huge challenge for the child itself.

Feng Xi is currently playing the role of this "child," using power beyond her limits to battle a real "adult."

[No wonder Zhiku never recommends using 'Artificial God' to challenge true gods...]

Such a thought crossed her mind.

It was only at this moment that Feng Xi realized why Mountain and Sea Civilization, despite having created [Artificial God], never truly ranked as a divine level civilization.

Demigods like Feng Xi, who gain power to rival gods by taking shortcuts, regardless of how potent their combat performance is, ultimately cannot compare with those top demigods who live out their beliefs and will.

Transcendence at the level of life is far more important than merely increasing combat power.

[Don't give up!]

As if sensing Feng Xi's current thoughts, a voice suddenly echoed in her mind.

It was the voice of Sky City, also the voice of the "God of Autonomous and Floating Cities."

Boom-crash!

Feng Xi instinctively turned to look at Sky City.

In an instant, the enormous Floating City shattered into pieces, drawing the astonished attention of everyone present.

As mentioned earlier, Sky City is actually pieced together by countless "high-dimensional modules."

The so-called "God of Autonomous and Floating Cities" is the consciousness birthed by these "high-dimensional modules," a composite [Artificial God].

Therefore, when this true [Artificial God] voluntarily disassembled its body, it signaled that it had made its choice.

Boom!

Before Hephaestus' true form could react, one of the "high-dimensional modules" closest to Feng Xi approached Gunlong.

It was originally the power area of Sky City, a super-large "Imaginary Number Core."

When this "Imaginary Number Core" merged with Gunlong via external interface, the massive energy transfer even distorted spacetime temporarily.

Then came the second, third, fourth...

As more and more "high-dimensional modules" connected to Gunlong's interface.

Feng Xi felt as if she had become a true god, able to observe and interfere with this world from a higher-dimensional perspective.

[No, that's not my perspective...]

Suddenly awakened, Feng Xi only felt that the pressure she had borne before was being shared.

Along with this pressure, something deeper, concerning the essence of life, was also being shared.

[Leave everything to me; you just need to focus on thinking about how to fight!]

When the voice of the "God of Autonomous and Floating Cities" echoed again in Feng Xi's ears, she finally understood what had happened.

The current her... is piloting a True God!

Although this True God voluntarily relinquished control of its body, it also demonstrated the stance of the other party.

At this moment, if there was even a slightest bit of malice from Feng Xi, the fate of the "God of Autonomous and Floating Cities" would not be favorable.

[You... choose to trust us?]

During the previous series of exchanges, although the "God of Autonomous and Floating Cities" integrated harmoniously with the Mountain and Sea People.

All the Mountain and Sea People understood that this newly born god did not trust the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

Or more precisely, this new god has a very vague identity orientation, not fully recognizing itself as a member of the Mountain and Sea Civilization.

[I have always trusted you.]

The voice of the new god continued to echo in Feng Xi's mind, expressing its intention.

[You are Mountain and Sea People, I am also Mountain and Sea People; the difference is only in our birth methods.]

[In the face of true crisis, joining forces against the enemy is the baseline for all Mountain and Sea People.]

[Regarding my identity, my stance, my choices, these can be slowly considered later.]

[The urgent matter is to deal with that god who descended; you need my power, and I need your experience.]

What the new god said is completely right.

Although it is a god itself, it isn't actually good at fighting and has no combat experience.

When facing mortals whose life level is lower than own, the new god might crush them with its divine authority.

But once the opponent is a god of the same level, the new god needs an experienced assistant.

[You're right, we are now comrades on the same front!]

How to resolve the new god's estrangement and accept its existence wasn't within Feng Xi's responsibilities, so she didn't dwell on this issue too much.

[Then how should I address you?]

Facing Feng Xi's question, the new god seemed to hesitate for a moment, then spoke.

[Gunlong, you may temporarily call me Gunlong.]

——Ultimate Artificial God·Gunlong!