

## The Growth 99

Chapter 99 - 2: Fierce Ghost Appearing in Daylight (2/5)

"What's this thing now?"

With a face full of disbelief, he looked at the red cloth strip in Huo Dou's mouth.

Li Hao was about to reach out to touch it, but then he remembered the black snake Huo Dou had brought back last night.

If he guessed correctly, this inconspicuous red cloth strip was probably another type of abnormal object.

Thinking this, the Celestial Eye on Li Hao's forehead suddenly opened.

As expected, Li Hao saw some weak yet real... resentment on the red cloth strip.

"Are there really ghosts in this world?"

Somewhat surprised, Li Hao opened his mouth. He originally thought that the Earth he was on didn't have ghosts.

But the existence of this red cloth strip seemed to shatter Li Hao's preconceived notion.

"Woof!"

Completely unaware of Li Hao's shock, Huo Dou thought he had done a great job and wagged his tail furiously.

"You dumb dog, I'm not praising you!"

Li Hao looked at Huo Dou with a mix of laughter and tears. Just as he was about to say more, his eyes shifted towards the direction downstairs.

"You're indeed a dumb dog, getting tailed without noticing."

Within the vision of Li Hao's third eye, a pond in a nearby neighborhood started rippling.

The next second, two figures walked out from the ripples, looking slightly bewildered as they glanced around.

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"Is this the pond that 'revealed' the Fire God last time?"

He Bo looked around the surroundings, then asked in a low voice, a bit helplessly.

With He Bo's ability, any place in the city with water could be his eye.

But the problem was, this was the limit of He Bo's ability.

Only by working together with Luo God, could He Bo recreate what happened there before.

However, this recreation was limited to within an hour; beyond that time frame, it was impossible to recreate.

Most crucially, if He Bo's target was a supernatural entity like Huo Dou, even one hour couldn't be recreated due to intentional interference from the other side.

Previously, when He Bo tracked Huo Dou, it seemed the latter hadn't noticed the anomaly in the water.

But as He Bo and Luo God transferred to this pond, they suddenly found that the "reflection" remaining in the water had already been destroyed.

It's evident that the Fire God had already realized that they were being tracked.

To acquire more detailed information, they could only hope for the "Celestial Eye System" from the police station.

"Boss, there's a tough character here!"

Though goofy and innocent by nature, Luo God's abilities and instinct were among the best.

Almost as soon as He Bo decided to give up, Luo God suddenly looked ahead cautiously, his makeup mirror in hand squeezed tightly with sweat.

"Who's there!?"

Without doubting Luo God's warning, He Bo instinctively manipulated the water flow to surge forward.

Whoosh!

Under the impact of the surging pond water, a tangled, disheveled, red-robed female ghost suddenly appeared in the shadows.

Her face was hideous, her hair standing like steel needles.

At her feet crawled several grimacing small cats and dogs, growling threateningly toward He Bo and Luo God.

Unfortunately, what should have been a horrifying apparition of a fierce ghost.

Appeared somewhat absurd and eerie, due to her tattered red commoner's robe.

Luo God, with keen eyesight, even noticed some beast-like tearing marks on the red commoner's robe.

"Tangled Ghost?"

Recognizing the identity of the red-robed female ghost at a glance, He Bo immediately relaxed.

Appearing in broad daylight and always accompanied by some cat and dog souls...

This red-robed female ghost was, in fact, one of the "Mysterious Creatures" commonly found in this city.

In some sense, He Bo and the red-robed female ghost could be considered "colleagues," though she wasn't managed by the 749th Bureau.

The 749th Bureau was responsible for supernatural phenomena related to Ancient Deities and Possessors.

Anomalous individuals like the red-robed female ghost were managed by the specialized Anomaly Individual Management Bureau.

"What happened to you? Why do you look so miserable?"

Without bothering to comfort the trembling Luo God beside him, He Bo took the initiative to ask the red-robed female ghost opposite.

After all, the red-robed female ghost was among the relatively well-behaved supernatural beings.

In the official danger levels, the ability to command ghosts places her only one level above ordinary Fierce Ghosts.

As long as animals weren't tortured in front of the red-robed female ghost, she basically wouldn't get provoked.

"Sob sob sob..."

The voiceless red-robed female ghost let out low whimpers, as if complaining about something.

If not for her current terrifying appearance, one might wonder who the real Evil Ghost was.

"Boss? Can you understand what she's saying?"

Clutching tightly to He Bo's clothes, Luo God, still very fearful, cautiously asked.

"Shut up!"

Of course, He Bo couldn't understand the red-robed female ghost's language.

Or rather, no one in this world could comprehend the language of the Tangled Ghost.

But at this moment, even if he didn't understand, he had to pretend he did.

Otherwise, He Bo wouldn't dare to guarantee that this "colleague" wouldn't turn him into one of those little cats or dogs under her feet.

"Clearly you intended to make me your 'pet' first..."

"And now you're actually complaining to others?"

Just as He Bo was cautiously trying to pacify the red-robed female ghost.

A somewhat helpless voice suddenly came from behind everyone, startling them greatly.

At the instant of hearing this voice, the little snarling cats and dogs immediately fell silent and, in unison, hid under the red-robed female ghost's skirt.

As for the originally complaining red-robed female ghost?

Though her reaction wasn't as exaggerated as those of the cats and dogs, her face was filled with trembling fear as she looked toward the direction the voice came from.

"Fire God?"

Instinctively turning around, He Bo and Luo God saw the owner of the voice at this moment.

With the head of a dog and the body of a man, donned in a Golden Armor and Radiant Cloak, flames encircling his back...

The visitor was none other than Huo Dou, possessed by Li Hao, appearing in his divine form.

"Senior, the Tangled Ghost is just like this by nature; she didn't mean to offend you."

Upon seeing the scene, He Bo, having faintly sensed something, immediately explained.

The Tangled Ghost was a guardian of animals, fond of burying animal corpses and adopting animal souls.

So, upon encountering Huo Dou, she might have mistaken him for a spirit body of a canid animal.

The result was predictable; just getting some pieces of her clothing torn off by Huo Dou was already lucky for the Tangled Ghost.

If not for Li Hao promptly summoning back Huo Dou, she might have already been shattered to dust.

"Senior? Are you acting in some period drama?"

Giving He Bo a peculiar look, Li Hao decided to give his current alias an official name within the authorities.

"I'm Huo Dou, you can just call me Huo Dou."