

World Plot 1201

Chapter 1201: First Grey Star - Together once again.

Leica rushed down from the mountain ranges, ignoring everything in their path; only kind protagonists like Lu Ming and Su Jin helped inform people along the way. They arrived in Somatic Town without incident, though Leica was a little exhausted and covered in sweat.

They do not know why they managed to stay afloat while bound with this red string, other than the strong breeze blowing in their faces, so they felt very at ease in their position.

Leica heaved a breath and said, "Help me inform Senior Mu about the situation. I need to go back to the mountains to support A'Shang and the lords that were left behind."

"Brother Leica, we can also help," Lu Ming stated.

Leica frowned and said, "If you were alone, I wouldn't have brought you with me, but you have Xiao Jin with you. Are you going to leave him in this town unprotected? There is a Beast Stampede about to come over. We will try our best to at least prevent the god and legend-grade creatures from descending." This is to lessen the future death count among the normals.

Lu Ming stopped talking and looked at Su Jin; he heard what Leica had said to his sweetheart and grinned, despite the fact that he might be viewed as a burden by others.

Su Jin said, "I'm alright. Xiao Jun is with me."

It is obvious that Lu Ming did not think these two café proprietors could handle creatures; nobody else could have stopped the all-out attack during the stampede.

Frowning, Lu Ming sighed. "Forget it. I'll just stay with you two. Let's head to the villa and inform Heavenly Guardian Mu."

"Then, I'll go and bring over Xiao Jun. It won't take too much time," Su Jin said.

Mo Yuhan and Lu Ming nod as they dash to the villa; Su Jin, on the other hand, comes back to the cafe to find it in ruins. Ji Yoonjun, in addition to Doctor Sen, was ordering a couple of carpenters to help him tidy up the cafe before he renovated it; and for the money, the Heavenly Guardians paid him handsomely.

Su Jin ran towards him and hugged his friend. "Xiao Jun! Are you alright? Are you hurt somewhere? What happened to the cafe!?" He was looking around at Ji Yoonjun, checking if he was injured in any way.

It was unexpected for Ji Yoonjun and Doctor Sen to see Su Jin back; after all, he had only been gone for three days with Ye Jieye's group, and Lu Ming was rarely seen without him; they were like never really apart.

"You're back! How's hunting, Xiao Jin?" Doctor Sen asked with his usual friendly smile.

Su Jin scratched his cheeks a bit shyly and said, "It was alright. The feeling of being unprotected by the big boss and two Joker-class hunters is a great feeling. Ah! I'm not supposed to be wasting time like this. Xiao Jun and also Grandpa Sen, you should go with me to the villa. It's safe there!"

"Hm? What are you talking about?" Ji Yoonjun asked, looking a bit bewildered. "What do you mean it's safe in the villa?"

"Actually, the real reason we descend early is because of a premonition of Beast Stampede!" Su Jin exclaimed.

Not only was Su Jin taken aback this time, but also his buddy Ji Yoonjun and Doctor Sen, who just so happened to be present. Ji Yoonjun acted as though he had heard something absurd.

Ji Yoonjun said, "A Beast Stampede? Don't joke with this. Such a bad joke. What are you talking about?"

"Xiao Jin, who told you about this?" Doctor Sen asked. There is a serious expression on his old face as he asks this question.

Su Jin, a bit timid after seeing the two's stern gaze, says, "It's Lord Mo Xuejing who told us. A'Ming and Mo Yuhan run back to the villa to inform Heavenly Guardian Mu."

"Mo Xuejing said it. It must be true then. How about Lord Ye?" Ji Yoonjun asked.

Su Jin replied, "I don't know about Lord Ye. Only Lord Mo Xuejing descends after the two of them go alone in the twelfth mountain to capture Behemoth Carabao. Then all of a sudden the whole Eleventh Mountain shook, but Brother Leica said it was the whole mountain range shaking. Big Brother Lu Shang, Lord Mo Xuejing, and Lord Ye Jieye stayed in the mountain range.

Brother Leica also ascended once more after sending us down to Somatic Town."

After hearing the accounts of Su Jin, Ji Yoonjun, and Doctor Sen, they began to realize that the situation was more dire than they had previously believed. They had no idea that a stampede of beasts would occur out of the blue, and they were unaware that Ye Jieye, who had recently been consuming void power, was the one responsible for the incident.

Ji Yoonjun said, "If those four stayed in the mountain range, they could only block the legendary-grade creatures at least, but this also means countless ordinary, elite, and rare-grade creatures would run down the mountain."

"Xiao Jin, Xiao Jun, tell this to Mu Zang. As for informing the townspeople, leave it to me. Go head to the villa." Doctor Sen suddenly disappeared on the spot. Clearly, he left in a hurry to inform the real Guardian of the Tornado Mountain Ranges.

After grabbing the bewildered Su Jin, Ji Yoonjun made his way to the villa. Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang had already been informed of what had happened to Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan, but he did not respond until Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin showed up. He turned to Ji Yoonjun and inquired.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang asked, "Where is that old quack that lives in front of your cafe?"

"Senior Sen left to inform Heavenly Guardian Xian," said Ji Yoonjun.

Su Jin was perplexed as to why his friend was able to speak with Heavenly Guardian Mu when even Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan were shy around this grumpy senior. Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan recognized the name Heavenly Guardian Xian. He was the owner of Somatic Town and the one who guarded the Tornado Mountain Ranges. His full name is Xuan Wu.

Heavenly Guardian Mu said, "When I leave later, take care of my great-grandchildren."

"As you wish, Heavenly Guardian Mu." Ji Yoonjun saluted respectfully, leaving the other three confused and speechless, especially Su Jin, who didn't know about such a thing. Even in his previous life, such a scene never happened.

Su Jin's thoughts: 'Since when did Xiao Jun know Heavenly Guardian Mu? Even I didn't know this senior was a Heavenly Guardian until I saw A'Ming respectful towards him.'

Ji Yoonjun disregarded the three men standing next to him, glancing at each other, knowing that Ji Yoonjun had the strength to protect the descendants of a Heavenly Guardian, even if they were young masters of large clans like the Mo and Lu clans. Mo Yuhan and Lu Ming realized that they had greatly underestimated Ji Yoonjun when they saw Ji Yoonjun react like this.

Heavenly Guardian Mu said, "If you are going to cause chaos, do it outside the house."

"Yes." Mo Yuhan, Lu Ming, and Ji Yoonjun saluted and went out of the villa as they were told.

The only member of the group left behind Su Jin was confused by what was happening to him and could not understand why Heavenly Guardian Mu said what he did. After his lover and friends abruptly left, Su Jin did not know what to do, but as he was about to leave too, Heavenly Guardian Mu spoke.

Mu Zang said, "Boy, there must be some snacks in the fridge in the kitchen. Go prepare some afternoon tea and snacks. You may use anything in the kitchen. Make something a baby can eat."

"Ah? Yes, please give me some time," said Su Jin as he ran towards the kitchen and forgot about the problem between his lover and friends.

Meanwhile, at the peak above the thirteenth mountain in the Tornado Mountain Ranges...

Encircled by darkness, Ye Jieye is attempting to regain control over the black-purple aura of devour. It was beyond his control, and he could hardly contain it; if he allowed it to become uncontrollable, he would devour this universe.

"Why? Is this aura to devour more powerful than before? I haven't devoured anything new yet!" Ye Jieye complained, but unfortunately, he was alone in that black space, surrounded by twinkling stars in the far distance. "Just where did this upgrade come from?"

Ye Jieye was trying to hold back his devouring power when the scene of the man wearing his face flashed through his mind. That part of the void he had taken earlier—presumably from a mistake—was

an aura of devouring, similar to the darkness, rather than a hidden void. The thought of that scene made him scream with rage.

"It's that man! He must have caused this to happen. But to suppress this ability, I must feed it with something." Ye Jieye started looking around and found a small imperial lake garden floating in space.

He realized that this garden in space was something he had read of previously and that the aura of holiness that that small garden held would probably subdue this power for a while.

Ye Jieye mumbles, "The Star-Fall Garden."

He pondered for a long time over whether or not to consume this valuable area; even if he did, it would still belong to him and become a part of his dominion, the Void. The only puzzle was how to account for the danger zone's abrupt disappearance.

Argh!

"This power even devours its host! It's so annoying. Fine!" Ye Jieye reached out his right hand in the direction of the Star Fall Garden. "Devour everything in that garden!"

Ye Jieye's body emits a dark, purplish aura that grows into the shape of a massive dragon that opens its enormous mouth to consume the entire Star Fall Garden and all in its vicinity.

"It's still not enough! Then eat a portion of the void. My domain is endless anyway," Ye Jieye said as he opened one part of his domain that was completely devoid of life. None of his minions live in this place.

But his domain is connected to him directly; even though he didn't lose much to this ability to devour, he felt tired as if he had lost a lot of blood. When this ability had calmed down, Ye Jieye's current vessel almost collapsed. He looks so pale as if he didn't have any blood at all.

When his feet landed at the peak of the thirteenth mountain, he covered his mouth, preventing himself from coughing blood.

"The feeling of eating a part of yourself doesn't taste that good. Cough!" Ye Jieye mumbled as he almost stumbled from dizziness.

Ye Jieye felt like someone was holding his clothes tightly behind him, and when his eyes stopped swirling, he noticed Mo Xuejing staring at him with concern. Just as he was about to fall, someone suddenly appeared in front of him and hugged his waist, taking almost all of his weight with them and refusing to let go.

"Baby, it's you," Ye Jieye said as he smiled. It was as if they never quarreled in the first place.

Feeling guilt in his heart, Mo Xuejing asked worriedly, "What happened to you? Why did you suddenly look pale? Did you cough some blood?!"

Ye Jieye was overjoyed that his wife had returned. He caresses his face tenderly, as though he can express his longing in this way. He only gave his wife a tight embrace because he was afraid when he left him just now, knowing that even though his wife was angry with him, she would still worry for him.

"Next time you're angry, please don't leave me alone. I'm so afraid I will lose you again."

Ye Jieye would get uneasy anytime they were apart, perhaps due to his fear of what had happened to him in their previous lifetimes. He even noticed that his voice and body were shaking as he was softly pleading with Mo Xuejing.

Mo Xuejing was shocked to see him like this. He had never seen him so weak and loving. He regrets leaving him without giving him the benefit of the doubt, and all he can do is give him a hug in return.

Chapter 1202: First Grey Star - Beast Stampede

The scene depicting the couple's love is entirely different from the situation at the first mountain, where the gates of the Somatic Town are located, where live birds are hugging at the summit of the thirteenth mountain.

All of the creatures that reside in Twelfth Mountain down to the first mountain have fled the mountain range, with the weaker creatures being trampled on the ground and the forest and scenery in each mountain nearly destroyed.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu and Doctor Sen were fully outfitted at the Somatic Town gate, which is the entrance to the Tornado Mountain Ranges, letting out everyone who descended from the ranges, but even from a distance, the scene on each mountain is chaotic. Some hunters were unaware of the situation and died in the mountains. The death toll keeps rising as more time goes by.

In Somatic Town, at the villa rented by Ye Jieye and his group...

The two cubs, who had more Yin energy in their bodies than the average person, have a lower body temperature, so when the temperature in the area is hot, it feels warm to them; it is because of this warm feeling, which makes them feel comfortable, that they fall asleep. Old Man Mu was playing with his great-grandchildren until they had fallen asleep.

Normally, these cubs would be napping in the midday when the temperature was at its highest.

Now Su Jin is seated with Ji Yoonjun on the couch, who returned to the villa with Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan. In stark contrast to his flawless white skin, the other two had bumps and bruises all over them; they had clearly been beaten, most likely by Ji Yoonjun, who had been pulled out of the house and interrogated by them.

Su Jin asked worriedly, "A'Ming, Mo Yuhan, are you two okay?"

"Don't worry about them. Those are just bruises and some bumps. Just give them some boiled eggs and it will be enough for them," Ji Yoonjun said as he started eating some leftover snacks Su Jin prepared for the cubs.

The rest of them, even inside the villa, can see the chaos that is beginning to erupt in the town; some hunters who have heard about it have already fled. As for Doctor Guang, Ye Jingxia lent him Oreo, and he now wanders the medical camp that Doctor Sen has set up at the entrance to the danger zone, treating people as a doctor.

All of a sudden, Old Mu stood up, preparing to leave. Everyone looks at him as he strolls towards the door.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said, "Stay inside the villa. This house is protected by a barrier created by Ye Jieye. As long as you stay here and don't come out, you will be safe. Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin look after the children." Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan also stood up. They wanted to help fight during the stampede of beasts from the danger zone.

Su Jin grabbed Lu Ming's arm and said, "Please be careful, A'Ming!" He was quite concerned about his lover because he had never experienced such an occurrence in his previous life; nonetheless, he was somewhat relieved to see that Lu Ming's skill had risen significantly after consuming that God-grade chemical.

Lu Ming smiled and touched his lover's nose. "Don't worry. I will be careful."

"Stop flirting! You will see each other again later anyway!" Mo Yuhan complained. He was envious of their loving relationship, as the person he is interested in happens to be a lot stronger than him and Lu Ming. He had a crush on Ji Yoonjun

Not only is it made of wood, but it can also follow its target! Actually, he is the best person to be pulled to the front lines to fight against the beast stampede. His endless arrows will greatly aid in cleaning up those creatures. Who would have thought that the slender and petite Ji Yoonjun would have the strength to beat the two of them to the ground? He even looked so gentle when doing so.

They do not realize that Ji Yoonjun is now a higher existence than the helpless previous protagonist. He is indifferent to the lives and deaths of mortals; his mission is far more important than his own life; and he really will not leave this villa until the cubs depart on their own.

Senior Mu Zang, Lu Ming, and Mo Yuhan left the villa with him. The beasts that were coming down from the mountain ranges were becoming more numerous. Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu assigned some

hunters to guard the gates with him; they had to work hard for the reward. Fortunately, the first waves of monsters only included ordinary and elite-ranked monsters.

With the gates in such a defense formation, the temporary kitchen used these killed ingredients to cook meals for each hunter inside.

Ever since he learned of the Beast Stampede, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu has been hiding his face. He even went so far as to speak with his mount, which is a large, aquatic Eel Dragon. It is thanks to him that legendary-grade ingredients have never been able to descend from the core region; instead, they have all been blocked by this creature.

His mount said that a terrifying aura had just emerged from the twelfth mountain, frightening him as a god-grade beast. His Eel Dragon also dared not to investigate it directly, having seen how the mountain's peak was so thoroughly flattened.

For this reason, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu deduced that Ye Jieye was the cause of this incident, as it was such a way to learn that a young man who was not even in his thirties could possess a power that could terrify even a god-grade creature like the Eel Dragon.

Doctor Sen said, "I can't believe this. That boy from Old Mu's family wasn't that powerful before. How come he suddenly becomes a monster that looks horrible in the eyes of god-class creatures like the Eel Dragon?"

"I think a lot of things have changed ever since he gave away his memories. Didn't the proud heir of Mo Xinyue also not wake up from his original body? A lot of strange things involve that young couple," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Doctor Sen asked worriedly, "Would we be able to defend this gate with just the three of us? We don't even know how many God-grade creatures are hiding in those mountain ranges."

"Grandpa Sen, isn't my boss and Boss Ye still there? They would at least be able to stop those guys from descending," Doctor Guang said.

Doctor Sen said, "Even so, it's too many. That's twelve mountains worth of ingredients all coming down. If you fail to stop it, Somatic Town will be trampled down."

"Lao Mo and I should be able to handle them. At least tell the hunters to stop those who escape our control," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu arrived at the main tent alone. As for Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan, they had already joined the ranks and started hunting on the front. Mi Zang overheard what Xian Wu had said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu said, "You owe me one for this!"

"I know. I know. At least do your best, alright!?" Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang retorted, "My great-grandchildren are in the town, and my grandson and his wife are in the mountain range. Of course, I will do my best!"

"What about your grandson's dragon? Has it come over with you? It would be great if it helps too," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang showed his right wrist, where a thin, small dragon was curled. Roi was napping after playing around with his little masters.

"Don't think about it. I'm sending him to look after Xiao Ye!"

"That's also good. Tell him to kill more on his way up." Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu.

RUMBLES~ RUMBLES~

Mu Zang, Xian Wu, Doctor Sen, and Doctor Guang emerged to find the first mountain's peak crowded and some beasts that had been hurled directly from above to the base of the mountain by monsters colliding with one another. All of a sudden, they felt the ground beneath them tremble; it appeared as though the stampede had finally reached their area.

Bam! AAHHHH!

"Dodge!!! Above your heads!"

The unexpected nature of the falling monsters has caused quite a bit of havoc on the front lines; some have fainted when a monster lands squarely in front of them, while others have dodged in time.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu commanded at such a scene. "Be careful above your heads! Some monsters have fallen off the mountain peak. Hunt those creatures down as well. It will be counted as 0.5 points as a kill count!"

As the Heavenly Guardian, Xian even mentioned that each beast would be counted as one point, whereas normally one point can only be collected after selling 100 ordinary-grade, 50 elite-grade, 5 rare-grade, or 1 legend-grade ingredient. The surrounding hunters cheered and happily hunted the falling monsters from above their heads. To these guys, these monsters started looking like points.

These points are definitely helpful, and they can be exchanged for any resources in Hunter Hall. As long as they have enough points, they can redeem a customized weapon or armor, even God-grade ingredients. For this reason, these hunters are enthusiastic about gathering points.

With so many ingredients to be hunted before them, naturally, all hunters are eager for their reward points at the end of this disaster. However, due to this beast stampede, the point requirements were adjusted to Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu's request. Although they can surrender their hunted pets.

At least each ordinary-grade beast can be counted as 0.1; the elite-grade beast is converted to 0.25 each; and the rare-grade beast is 1 point each.

The first mountain is experiencing a few explosions. Heavenly Guardians Xian and Mu saw several gigantic ones descending down from the upper mountains. They resembled bears but were three times larger than humans.

Heavenly Guardian Mu said, "The big ones are finally coming! Hahaha~" He flew up, controlled his aura, and used it for flight. Xian Wu also followed after him, leaving the things in the camp to him.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "Sen, please handle the rest. We will start hunting the big ones and block the peak of the first mountain!"

"Okay. You two, be careful." Doctor Sen left the hospital tent for Doctor Guang. He overlooked the situation at the gates at Xian Wu's instead.

As the situation at the gates intensified, Mo Xuejing saw that Ye Jieye's body was not at normal temperature; rather, it was abnormally cold, as if he had no blood at all. Panicked, he finally peered closely at his beloved's face and discovered that it was bloodless.

Mo Xuejing urgently asked, "A'Ye, what's wrong with you? How come you look so pale!?"

"Don't worry. It's just a backlash of my ability. One of them has gone out of control, and I have to sacrifice a bit of my blood essence to temporarily calm it down," Ye Jieye explained.

Mo Xuejing frowned in worry. "What kind of power do you need to sacrifice your blood for!?"

"Blood isn't what it really needs. It just needs to eat something until it's temporarily full," Ye Jieye said.

"The power of gluttony? How come you have such weird abilities? Aren't you a fire ability user? Moreover, before you used the ice element as well? Anyway, you can explain the rest to me after we go home. You said that power of yours needed to eat something.

Can it be anything?" asked Mo Xuejing.

Ye Jieye answered honestly, "Yes. Anything."

"Then... let it eat some beasts or ingredients on the way. There is actually a Beast Stampede going on. You can let it eat as much as it wants," Mo Xuejing said.

Ye Jieye frowned and thought of what he had done just now when he suddenly lost control of his ability to devour. He forgot to suppress his aura, which frightened every living thing in the area.

"Did I cause it?"

"It wasn't your fault. It will be okay. Can you move? Should I give you some of my qi first?" Mo Xuejing said.

Gulps~

Ye Jieye heard it and could not help but look down at his wife's lips, swallowing as though he were witnessing something very tasty, but he quickly turned away, fearing he would not be able to resist at all.

Ye Jieye said, "N-No, that's too dangerous right now. I will drink some pills instead, and we will descend together." He pulled some bottles of fasting pills to lessen his starvation state. After calming himself for a bit, they descended the mountains together.

Chapter 1203: First Grey Star - Solving the Beast Stampede

When Mo Xuejing saw that Ye Jieye's complexion changed from bloodless to a fair one, he decided to turn a blind eye. He watched as a purplish black dragon materialized from his aura and ate all the living beings on their paths, including the trees, plants, and grass. He was at a loss for words when he saw that the twelfth and eleventh mountains were bald.

His wife is always like this; as long as it is for his sake, he is willing to sacrifice the world to keep him safe. He grips the hands that entangled him, making the owner of them turn around to look at him. Ye Jieye just smiled gently at his other half, which caused the latter to blush.

Seeing how Mo Xuejing did not stop him despite the scene of turning a few mountains bald, plus that action of turning a blind eye as long as it gave him an advantage, made him happy.

Ye Jieye's thoughts at the scene of his wife blushing. 'So cute. I want to take a bite.'

"What are you looking at?!" Bashfully asked Mo Xuejing.

Ye Jieye's smile became even more affectionate, and he replied, "Looking at my love."

"Ah! Fuck!" Mo Xuejing can only cover his face and avoid the annoying, affectionate man in front of him.
"You used to be expressionless. Now you feel so cringed. Ah!"

"Do you hate me like this?" Ye Jieye asked as he lowered his head like a bullied puppy.

Mo Xuejing could only comfort himself by embracing his waist since he thought he looked so pitiful.

"No. As long as it's you, I won't hate you," Mo Xuejing responded while hugging Ye Jieye's waist closer to himself.

As the two turned to head back down the slopes, they heard a dragon roaring not far away, and as they glanced in that direction, they saw a black figure flying in their direction.

Mo Xuejing said, "Is that Roi? Is the Somatic Town still okay? What about the children!?"

"We can ask him what is happening." Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing waited for Roi to come over.

With two Heavenly Guardians barring their route, the situation in the town would not be as bad as it was when Roi briefed them about the situation at the Somatic Town and expressed gratitude that Senior Mu Zang had come here with them.

Mo Xuejing asked, "If Grandpa is busy fighting in the front and Roi comes over to pick us up, then who is protecting our children?"

"Zhi Yang and Zhi Yue are still around. They are the hidden guards I chose to protect the cubs. Don't worry, they will be alright, right?" Ye Jieye said.

Mo Xuejing said, "Who are Zhi Yue and Zhi Yang?"

"They are... Something I made for you and me. I'll introduce them to you when we get back home. Zhi Yang is supposed to be by your side. So I will let him follow you starting today," Ye Jieye said

Confused, Mo Xuejing asked, "Why is there a need for him to follow me? We live in the same place after all."

"Because I have made it for you. He follows your words more than mine. You will understand everything in a while. You also don't have your memories, which is weird. You shouldn't have such a problem," Ye Jieye said.

Mo Xuejing remembered Mo Yuhan talking about a man named Chaos who had sealed away his memories and taken control of his physical body. He could not figure out why this man was acting in this way, but he knew why, so he did not want to tell Ye Jieye. Instead, he wanted to find a solution on his own.

Roi said this to his master through telepathy. {Master. Master. So many beasts are coming down the mountain. Some big ones were blocked by Grandpa Mu and another old man. But there are still too many...}

Ye Jieye frowned for a bit as he heard what Roi had told him.

"Jing'er, we need to go back fast. Roi will bring us back to the town as soon as possible."

He asked, "Is the situation dangerous?" Mo Xuejing held Ye Jieye's hand as they jumped into Roi's head and flew away together.

Ye Jieye said, "The ranks and grades of each beast aren't the problem. It's their number that is a problem."

"Just how big is this beast stampede?" Mo Xuejing mumbles as he sees the scene of monsters and beasts running down the mountain like ants in a pot over a fire.

Ye Jieye replied, "Thirteen mountains worth. The legendary-grade ones were blocked by Gramps and another Heavenly Guardian. As for the demigod-grade and god-grade, they must be blocked by that overlord under the Milky Way River."

Flying faster than the birds, Roi and the others had already arrived at the Milky Way River; unlike the other mountains that the beasts were racing across, this galaxy's shore was calm and empty, but to those who were sensitive to danger, such stillness would seem abnormal, as if something was frightening the other monsters.

Mo Xuejing was vigilant at this quietness and looked around with a frown on his beautiful face. He mumbles, "This area is so quiet that it's eerie."

Then, out of nowhere, they were attacked by another god-grade skeleton bird, one of the rare materials used to make weapons instead of edibles. At half the size of an adult pterodactyl, Roi was clearly the target of this bird made of bones, and since his master wanted them to get out of there as quickly as possible, he could only reduce his weight and shrink slightly to increase his flying speed.

Who would have guessed that they would be the target?

Mo Xuejing commented, "Is this undead thing serious? Rou is a dragon. He can't even feel bloodline suppression."

"Something is wrong with it. It must have eaten something for it to go into a state similar to berserk," Ye Jieye said.

Mo Xuejing raised a hand, intending to kill the undead bird. "Whatever it is, let's just kill it. Since it's a God-grade ingredient, then it should be expensive."

SPLAAASSSHHH!

As he was about to freeze the entire undead creature, a massive, electrically coated snake-like figure jumped out of the Milky Way River beneath them, chomping on the undead bird before falling back to

the galaxy's river. Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing were able to see the figure clearly, and judging only from its aura, they concluded that it was a divine being.

Mo Xuejing said, "An Eel?"

"It has the bloodline of a dragon," Ye Jieye said as he saw that the Eel Dragon stared at Roi for a bit before saluting.

The Eel Dragon was determined to receive the piece of black scale from Roi, even though both dragons are divine, Roi is a dragon from the highest realm, and his bloodline is unmatched in purity. Roi nods its head, acknowledging his breath, and tosses a scale of his towards the Eel Dragon, which to Roi is just an ordinary scale but to him, it is something that would allow him to evolve further.

ROOOAAARRR!

CRIIIZZRAAAR!

Mo Xuejing mumbles, "So that's the owner of that strange aura from before. It lives in this river. No one owns it. Should we bring it back with us?"

"No need. It has an owner," Ye Jieye said as they flew away. "It must be the mount of a Heavenly Guardian of this mountain range."

While soaring through the mountain range, they came across the two Heavenly Guardians, who were hovering above to contain the other legendary-grade beasts in the region; Heavenly Guardian Xian was blocking the path with his large hammer, while Heavenly Guardian Mu was frightening the beasts and monsters away with sound waves; those who were unaffected could only be stopped by using brute force.

Heavenly Guardian Mu was coughing as he overused his voice. His ability is connected to making sounds, so his vice was mostly used as his weapon.

Cough. Cough.

With a slightly hoarse voice, Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang complained, "This is endless. Do something about this, Old Dwarf!"

"Wait. Let me think about it. Maybe I should call Eggie (Eel Dragon) to scare them away," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said, "I don't think there is a need for it. They are here."

"Who is here?" Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu asked as he saw the flying black dragon bringing two men on its head.

Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing politely greet their elders.

"Ye Jieye greets Gramps and the Heavenly Guardian."

"Mo Xuejing greets Grandpa Mu and the Heavenly Guardian."

Heavenly Guardian Mu approached his grandson and checked on him. Except for a bit of paleness, he is not injured in any way.

Mu Zang said, "You look a bit sickly. Did something happen?"

"My aura was a bit disrupted. It's okay now," Ye Jieye said.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu asked, "Can you handle the rest?"

"Yes! But it's better for me to handle them in the town. If I do it here, those near the town will run further out the gates," Ye Jieye said.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "Okay, let's do as you said."

Along the way, they would still block some large ones, which Mo Xuejing would temporarily freeze; with the dragon's speed, they arrived at the gates without delay, seeing hills of dead ingredients piled up and hunters still in the air; as the fighting at the front dragged more wounded people to the hospital tent, Doctor Guang and Doctor Sen, exhausted as an old dog, dragged more injured people to the tent.

As soon as the black dragon appeared at the gates, most beasts halted their tracks and were pushed from behind. Heavenly Guardian Xian ordered all the hunters to retreat. Ye Jieye, on the other hand, jumped at the front alone and looked at the numerous beast gatherings. His eyes turned completely red as he emitted an aura of void and gluttony.

When the black and purple aura appeared on Ye Jieye, everyone felt the atmosphere in the whole area turn tense.

Only Mo Xuejing is not affected by this dangerous aura Ye Jieye is emitting. The beast stampede was running away from Ye Jieye, some of them even stumbled as they turned around to run away from Ye Jieye, making it look comical. It only took all those beasts an hour to ascend the mountain range. They did not want to stay near Ye Jieye at all.

Even the two Heavenly Guardians could not help but put up their guards, and the trembling of their bodies was instinctive.

When Ye Jieye turned around, the aura around him had already been suppressed; he had eaten enough on the way to not lose control again, but when his eyes met the others, those with weaker wills could not help but faint on the spot, and the others took a few steps away from Ye Jieye as if he were some kind of monster. The area before had instantly turned empty after the dust had fallen.

Ye Jieye was indifferent to this situation; as the God of Void, he was used to being shunned by everybody, and the only people who remained by his side were his brother, his wife, and their family. Naturally, only Mo Xuejing approached him and grinned.

Mo Xuejing said, "Thanks for your hard work. Let's go home!"

Ye Jieye held the outstretched hand before him with a smile. He kissed Mo Xuejing's forehead with eyes full of affection and said, "Okay. Let's go. Go home to our children."

Chapter 1204: First Grey Star - The Tower of God

Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing walk hand in hand home, leaving Mo Yuhan feeling relieved to see a scene he had seen years earlier. He was stunned when Lu Ming rested on his shoulder; both of them, along with the other hunters, were covered in blood from monsters and beasts as well as some premium ingredients.

Mo Yuhan was so exhausted that he nearly fell to the ground with the fool who had the audacity to use him as a leaning pole.

He brushed Lu Ming's arm and glared at him. "Don't lean on me. My legs already feel weak from fatigue!" Complained to Mo Yuhan.

Lu Ming started stretching his stiff back and retorted. "I'm tired too. Stop looking like a fool. Let's also go back. Our points will be tallied accordingly by the Hunter Hall."

Fearing that Ye Jieye would beat him up, Mo Yuhan was reluctant to leave, but Lu Ming pulled him along and they went to the villa where Su Jin and Ji Yoonjun were waiting for them.

As for Heavenly Guardian Mu, he truly intended to follow his grandson home, but Ye Jieye's recent scene caught even him off guard; the aura he emitted was strong enough to affect a Heavenly Guardian such as himself. As for Doctor Guang, he was unable to leave the hospital tent until Hunter Hall sent in some doctors to replace him.

Heavenly Guardian Xian and Heavenly Guardian Mu met at Doctor Sen's modest clinic after the Hunter Hall took control of everything. Despite the clinic's small size, the materials used to build it are impervious to destruction, even from the weight of a Behemoth Carabao.

Heavenly Guardian Xian was already hugging a barrel of wine beside him and drinking quite heartily; as for Heavenly Guardian Mu and Doctor Sen, they only held a single cup in their hands. The three of them were celebrating their successful resolution of the Beast Stampede and stopping the destruction of the Somatic Town.

After all, once the town is destroyed, the gates that seal out the Tornado Mountain Range will be gone, and all the beasts will be able to cause rampant destruction in the human lands.

Doctor Sen warned his partner, "You are drinking too much. Do you want me to give you a bitter sobering soup afterward? Hm~"

"Come on. We just solved a crisis. Let me drink more this time," Xian Wu said.

As for Mu Zang, he was still thinking about the scene caused by his grandson; though he did not know what kind of ability that is, to cause that much fear, it can be said that something is extremely dangerous. Even he failed to react naturally and fearlessly, like how Mo Xuejing approached his grandson without any hesitation.

Doctor Sen can only shake his head in helplessness, but he did not stop this drunkard from enjoying his wine. Xian Wu was laughing boisterously at the scene.

Mu Zang mumbles, "Those two never changed."

"Are you talking about your grandson and his wife? Actually, I've been wanting to ask what happened between the two of them. Aren't they supposed to be dead? I think at least one of them is supposed to be dead," Doctor Sen said.

Mu Zang lifted his head and gave Doctor Sen a scowl. He had always detested people who cursed his family dead, no matter how mild the words were. He had lost his grandson and his spouse in the Ruins of Time, and it was because of this that he and Lu Wangle could never get along. He nearly lost his entire family in that ruin, and Lu Wangle keeps him from going there to rescue them.

Doctor Sen raised a hand as he said, "Sorry, I am not cursing your grandson. But we all know what kind of sacrifice he made to get that Lotus of Life in that danger zone. As for his other half, he is already supposed to be a corpse already. Just what did you and Xinyue do?"

The other two were not prepared for this, and the tense atmosphere in the clinic increased as silence fell. Heavenly Guardian Xian took hold of Doctor Sen's arm and shook his head, gesturing to him to stop asking questions. Mu Zang appeared to be about to lose control over his emotions.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "Don't mind Sen, Xiao Zang. You know him; he is unexpectedly chattier than he looks. Just ignore him next time."

"It's okay. It's even a secret. After all, you already know that the whole family was locked in the Ruins of Time. In order to at least let Xiao Jie go outside the Ruins of Time, my husband had to expend half of his lifespan just to bring Xiao Jie out of there. But he can only bring out his soul," Mu Zang said.

Doctor Sen said, "Only his soul? Impossible; that child had a body of his own!"

"Indeed, but that body is something I and Wangle created. It's the same situation as Mo Xuejing. That is also not his real body," Mu Zang said.

Heavenly Guardian Xian asked, "You two went there, didn't you? The Tower of God."

"That's the only way to create a body that's not different from the original," Mu Zang said.

Xian Wu asked, "What did you give up to get what you wanted?"

Without responding, Mu Zang withdrew the scarf that had always hung around his neck; Ye Jieye had never once witnessed him take it off, not even in his sleep.

When the scarf was unwrapped, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu and Doctor Sen were taken aback by what they saw: a sophisticated device that was positioned right in Mu Zang's throat; it was made of a thin material that would remain undetectable as long as it was covered, but it could only be used by those who were born deaf.

"I gave away my voice," Mu Zang said.

As he is a sound element user, and his voice is the most important part of his body, losing it would prevent him from ever reaching his peak strength, no matter what he did; his power would also decrease slightly, but he would never care because he gained a body that was nearly identical to his original one in exchange for his voice.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu asked, "Did Lao Lu also give up something?"

"No. What he wanted is much more than mine. He wanted to revive his other half, but the tower said a life must be exchanged for another. Wangle wanted to give up his, but the tower didn't accept it," Mu Zang said.

Doctor Sen asked, "Why? Isn't it a life for a life? Why can Lu Wangle's life be enough?"

"Only afterwards did we realize that the thing that lives in that tower was never a god. It was a devil," Mu Zang said as he hit the table with his hand, showing how much anger he has in his heart.

BAM!

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu turned serious and asked, "What do you mean?"

"When we are escaping that time, it says that human's negative emotions are truly delicious. He feeds on negativity. Whether it's greed, envy, hatred, or fear, he likes to eat it. The reason he didn't fulfill Lu Wangle's wish is because he is selfless. If he instead asked if another human's life would suffice, that thing would definitely fulfill Lu Wangle's wish.

Unfortunately, Lu Wangle might be annoying, but he is extremely serious when it comes to this kind of thing. He is a hero type who is willing to sacrifice his life for the good of many. What that devil wanted is a selfish heart," Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

Doctor Sen said, "That tower is dangerous. We should close it if it is not sealed so no one can easily go in."

"Lu Wangle said not to tell the mass about this tower. He also placed the highest authority for entering. But who knows how many have truly gone there?" Mu Zang said. "Moreover, it seems that even if you got your wish fulfilled, there would be a negative effect. My grandson's aura before, you felt it, right? That seems to be so dangerous, and I never knew he had that kind of ability."

"Should we ask your grandson about it? That ability of his, even I felt the threat it possessed," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Doctor Sen said, "But I don't think that young man is approachable."

"He would ignore you, so don't try it. I will ask him; if he tells me, I will tell you as well, but don't force him. No one can stop him if he uses that weird ability of his," Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

Meanwhile, at the villa...

Now, with Jingxia and Anxia, who had been missing their parents terribly, Mo Xuejing was playing happily with them; they had been so excited since coming home that they had played until they fell asleep on Mo Xuejing's lap; Ye Jieye had prepared some steak for the adults and hamburgers for the kids; premium beef made from a legendary-grade ingredient like the Behemoth Carabao is a delicacy that can only be bought at a high price.

The feast was made of high-grade ingredients, enough for a single family to live a wealthy life as long as these ingredients were sold. There are also Demigod-grade diamond potatoes made into fries and mashed potatoes, as well as hash brown potatoes. There is also a mushroom soup made from a God-grade oyster mushroom, which Ye Jieye caught more of on their way back.

There is also a sweet potato salad as a side dish and a Lava apple pie and Fierce Grapes sherbet as desserts.

However, these high-grade ingredients are just like regular ingredients in the Mo Xuejing and Ye Xiajie household; it is common for the family's dining table to have a few legendary-grade ingredients or a god-grade ingredient among the daily dishes served.

This kind of feast is a once-a-year celebration for guests such as Mo Yuhan, Lu Ming, and Su Jin, who happily relished the cooking of a god-class chef like Ye Jieye; Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin learned a lot from observing from the sidelines; Mo Xuejing assists with the preparation of the ingredients and the washing of the vegetables; the two are so endearing that the two chefs who were observing from the side felt choked by the copious amounts of dog food coming from this couple.

Seeing the brats asleep, Ye Jieye helped his wife carry Ye Jingxia while he carried the toddler Anxia. Tonight's dinner was a unique one. As they ascend, Ye Jieye runs into Lu Shang and Leica.

Ye Jieye said, "There are guest rooms. You guys split it among yourselves. Tomorrow we will take our leave. Also reward the kid that protected the children while we are away." He placed his right arm over Mo Xuejing's waist while carrying the sleeping Ye Jingxia on his left.

"Good night, everyone!" Mo Xuejing said with baby Anxia in his embrace, and he was escorted away by Ye Jieye to their room.

After the two masters took their leave, the rest of them gathered in the living room. They are eating the leftover apple pies, and after all, Ye Jieye produced a lot. Lu Shang and Leica joined them in the living room.

The two bosses forgot Lu Shang and Leica, so they had to go back to the town together. After the beast stampede had stopped, they escorted the injured and lost hunters into the mountain ranges, getting so covered in dirt and dust that they had to take two baths when they got back to the villa—one in the morning before they ate, and another at night after working out.

Lu Shang said, "The Beast Stampede is unexpected, but you guys did good. Since we helped Ming upgrade his strength, the next one is Mo Yuhan. Cousin and his partner were planning to go to Aurora Glaciers next. You decide whether you are coming or not."

"I'll go. I will definitely go!" Mo Yuhan said.

Lu Ming said, "Big brother, we can go too, but... we want to go to the Death Forest first."

"We can go there first, but we need Lord Ye's permission for it. That danger zone had been gifted to him by his grandfather, Heavenly Guardian Mu. We cannot enter the core region without his permission," Leica said.

"The Death Forest has a new owner!?" Su Jin exclaimed.

Su Jin was taken aback. After all, Ye Jieye is too young, and the Death Forest is a perilous area that is meant to be guarded by a Heavenly Guardian; he needs to have unquestionable strength in order to acquire ownership of such a terrible territory.

Lu Ming said, "Xiao Jin, if it's Big Brother Ye, then it's not impossible. You should have seen him send away that beast stampede. As soon as Big Brother emitted a black and purple aura, they all ran away. Hahaha~"

"How about you, Ji Yoonjun? Are you coming too?" Lu Shang said.

Ji Yoonjun nods his head. "It would take a few months for my cafe to be rebuilt. I'll go with you to look for new ingredients."

"That's great! Xiao Jun, you can join our group," Su Jin said with a smile. After being Lu Ming's lover, he had already put everything from his previous life into the past. He can see that his friend is not a bit interested in Lu Ming.

Ji Yoonjun returned a smile and said, "I can protect myself, you know."

"Eh, you're joking, right?" Su Jin didn't know that his friend can fight and that arrows are all deadly.

Chapter 1205: First Grey Star - The Truth behind Su Jin's Rebirth.

With two hunters and two chefs in their group, they would have no trouble entering the outer circle of the Death Forest. Fortunately, Lu Shang and Leica decided to go with them as helpers, meaning that as long as they received permission from Ye Jieye, they would be allowed to enter the core region of the Death Forest.

It was already decided that all of these young men would accompany them to Numen Town.

Lu Shang said, "Since you all decided to go back with us, make your preparations. We will most likely leave tomorrow at midday. Say your goodbyes properly. The boss said you can use any guest rooms. We are taking a rest now. Good night!"

"Good night, everyone. Make sure to clean up after you eat," Leica said as he followed his lover and returned to their room together.

Lu Shang was not as sticky as Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing, but at least he would not tolerate anyone treating his beloved disrespectfully; he would wait for him silently, and he would not go anywhere without making sure that his beloved was coming with him.

After their big brothers left, there was an awkward atmosphere in the living room, where Lu Ming, Su Jin, Mo Yuhan, and Ji Yoonjun were the only people remaining. Well, the three of them were a little awkward around Ji Yoonjun because, well, this skinny guy could really beat up Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan. As for Su Jin, he felt like his friend had changed a lot, but he did not know where to start.

Ji Yoonjun felt the awkwardness he caused. Though he doesn't care, staying here would be a bit annoying. So he stood up and yawned, preparing to go to sleep as well.

"I'm sleeping. You guys clean the rest. Yawn~"

Su Jin suddenly grabbed him and said, "Xiao Jun! Let's sleep together!"

"Hm?"

"Xiao Jin?"

The first was Ji Yoonjun, who was a little taken aback, and the second was Lu Ming, who had no idea that he would be left alone by his lover tonight. The two had become closer since their nighttime hideout in the wilderness, and when Su Jin tried to prepare a meal that would enable him to gain a significant boost in strength, Lu Ming gave Su Jin his wholehearted acceptance.

Su Jin looked at his lover and said, "You two bullied Xiao Jun before. I don't want to sleep with you tonight!"

Lu Ming had no words to say. He and Mo Yuhan had indeed fought against Ji Yoon Jun, two against one, which is considered unfair no matter how you look at it. But the result, on the other hand, is completely different from what Su Jin had expected. It was Ji Yoonjun who beat up Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan until they looked like pig heads. Those injuries were artificial, though.

After all, Ji Yoonjun used his fist instead of his bow and arrows.

Mo Yuhan was laughing at Lu Ming's unluckiness. This bastard would always gloat at him about having a lover. Now that he had been abandoned for a night, he felt great just thinking about it.

Su Jin pulled Ji Yoonjun to the hall where the guest rooms are located, leaving the men to clean in the living room.

Hahahaha~

"Stop laughing, you bastard! I'm going to beat you up!"

"Who the hell is afraid of who!? Come and see his grandpa if you can!"

"Fuck you!"

Su Jin and Ji Yoonjun turned a deaf ear to their predicament and disregarded them as Lu Ming leaped on Mo Yuhan, who was laughing his ass off. They rolled around the floor like kids, beating each other's faces.

In the guest room chosen by Su Jin and Ji Yoonjun...

They had just finished bathing. This room has two single beds for guests who are not related by blood and do not want to share a bed. Su Jin has been thinking about a lot of things since he woke up in this world after being killed in his previous world.

He remembered that Ji Yoonjun had visited him prior to his death and had repeatedly apologized for things he could not understand, asking him not to forgive him for something.

It was only at this moment that Su Jin realized that there was a problem with his memories of his past life. He couldn't help but frown as he felt a headache.

Su Jin recalled that Ji Yoonjun was the type to be frugal, that is, he would save money as long as he could, so he would never buy pajamas made of silk, which cannot be washed in a machine. Ji Yoonjun had just finished his shower and emerged wearing new silk pajamas with a towel around his head.

Su Jin looks at the faceless Ji Yoonjun in front of him, and the more he studies, the more he senses that this is not the Ji Yoonjun he remembers; everything is different, even the soul inside the body. As he considered his rebirth scenario, he could not help but think of another one in which the soul inside a particular body is replaced by another soul.

Su Jin's stare makes sense to Ji Yoonjun. He knew that his previous random action was totally out of character for the vessel he possessed, but he never tried to hide his true personality because the special mission he had accepted granted him full OOC (out of character) in this world.

It is obvious that people who had a close relationship with this vessel would notice, especially a reborn one like Su Jin.

"Su Jin, I know what you wanted to ask. I can't tell you who I am or how I came to this world, but I can tell you the reason why you were reborn," Ji Yoonjun said.

Su Jin realized that this person was not the actual Ji Yoonjun even though he was speaking in a casual manner; when he heard the word "reborn," he knew that Ji Yoonjun must have known why.

If Su Jin had to choose one person in this world to like more than Lu Ming, it would be Ji Yoonjun. This is because, to him, Ji Yoonjun is his brother and his only family; as orphans, they have only each other. For this reason, in their past life, Su Jin deeply regretted leaving Ji Yoonjun behind. Perhaps out of fear of being abandoned, he betrayed Ji Yoonjun in that life.

Nevertheless, he genuinely loves Lu Ming; he loves him more than his heart.

However, for some reason, no matter how hard he tried to keep them apart, Lu Ming and Ji Yoonjun's lives were destined to be together. He was unaware that everything was controlled by the global plot, and that they were the only characters selected to follow it.

The world-created plot is what gives the protagonist and antagonist their role; unlike ordinary bystander characters, they have no control over their destiny because everything was predestined to happen. The word protagonist sounds good. Heaven's beloved son and daughter sound sacred.

The former Ji Yoonjun is one of the characters from the world that, in the previous world from which Su Jin originated, were able to awaken their own egos after death; these characters, though not gods, were incredibly rare in that they were able to let go of the content of their own world.

This indicates that this character has the potential to become divine, and they will be brought into the God System.

These individuals had two options: either give up their bodies in their previous world and a world hopper would come to fulfill their final wish, or go down the path of godhood and star cultivation. If they fulfilled their mission, they would have the opportunity to become worldhoppers and receive points that could be exchanged for anything in the God System Store.

Those who selected the second option would go into the Universal Reincarnation Pool, which is another way of saying that they would be given a brand-new life that is entirely different from the one they had before. Their souls would be recycled, and they would become new characters in a different world where all traces of their previous lives would be erased.

In most cases, the soul that selected this option had a great deal of regret or hatred. It appears that the original Ji Yoonjun is the former.

Su Jin looked at Ji Yoonjun in disbelief. His eyes were wide open in shock, and the corners of his eyes were turning red.

"You... you are really not... Xiao Jun?" Su Jin mumbled as if asking for proof of his words, but deep inside his heart, he already knew that this man who uses his friend's vessel is no longer the Ji Yoonjun he knows.

Ji Yoonjun said, "No. You already know that right? As for why you were able to be reborn with your previous life's memories, it was because of the original Ji Yoonjun's wish. He wanted you to become happy. As the destined protagonist of this world, even if he doesn't fully love Lu Ming, the world would force them together.

As the creator of this world, you aren't allowed to change your own destiny unless special circumstances like in this current timeline happen."

"Special circumstances? Are you talking about Lord Ye and Lord Mo?" Su Jin asked.

He realized that these two were also entirely different from the way he knew them; unlike Ji Yoonjun, who is portrayed as the original, these two were different from the start to the finish.

Although they were supposed to be rivals who wished to kill each other, they appear to be entirely out of sync with his memories of them from his previous life, in which Mo Xuejing severed both of Ye Jieye's hands, which led Ye Jieye to seek retribution; however, because Mo Xuejing is a hidden boss, Ye Jieye ultimately died in his hands.

Ji Yoonjun said, "Smart."

"What happened to the real Xiao Jun?" Su Jin asked the question he is most afraid of.

Ji Yoonjun replied, "He is gone. After not choosing not to become a being of cultivation, he will never come back. But his wish has been fulfilled. This wish of his was something he regretted the most in his

life. So he chose to give you another chance to be with the person you love the most. In exchange for his everything, he gave you another chance in this world to choose who you want to be.

This is the real reason you were reborn."

This truth is too cruel. At first, Su Jin was overly happy, believing that he had been given a chance by the heavens to change the future he knew. He wanted to win Lu Ming's heart and to stay in this life as Ji Yoonjun's family. Who would have thought that Ji Yoonjun, the people he left behind to be with Lu Ming, would have given him this chance to change his life?

Though his brother, Ji Yoonjun, is gone in exchange for his rebirth, he never regretted choosing Lu Ming over everything. He regrets leaving Jo Yoonjun behind. Because of that betrayal, which was his greatest sin and the thing that made him feel the most guilty, he thought he could finally keep his man and stay with his brother in this world, but he was mistaken.

Ji Yoonjun was the one who gave him the opportunity to start over in this life.

The worldhopper in Ji Yoonjun's body wanted to ignore Su Jin, but he remembered that man's request at that moment like this. The thought that he could not even reply to his brother until the end made the guilt in his heart stronger than before. Tears could not help but stroll down his face as he cried loudly like a child. You lost his family.

{Sir, if one day you told Xiao Jin about the truth and he cried, can you please give him a hug instead? Tell him to live as he wishes and I wish him well.}

Ji Yoonjun hesitated for a moment before approaching the crying Su Jin. It was a bit awkward, but he wrapped his arms around the crying boy and patted his back.

Sigh~

"He is truly your brother. He even knows that you will react like this and ask me to comfort you. Don't cry. He is already in a good place. Though you might not see each other again, at least you know that you used to have a brother that loved you the most. That me, after you had died, destroyed that last world of yours," Ji Yoonjun whispered.

Su Jin was stunned by what he heard about his previous world being destroyed.

"What do you mean?"

"A world where one of its Beloved's don had gained knowledge beyond this world would cause that world to be resetted. This world you are in is your original world but had its world plot reset. In short, the former protagonists before were no longer permanent and they can be replaced.

Your role has changed from an antagonist to a protagonist that is paired with the protagonist gong, Lu Ming." Explained Ji Yoonjun.

Chapter 1206: First Grey Star - Breakfast

Su Jin went to sleep that night with swollen eyes after learning the truth about this world. Although the truth was harsh and heartless, it brought Su Jin comfort, so he does not need to be afraid to ask for anything he wants anymore—after all, his brother gave him this second chance at life.

Ji Yoonjun covers Su Jin with a blanket and goes out the next door to knock—the guest room next to theirs is the one that Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan chose because it is the closest to the room they were in. When Lu Ming opens the door, Ji Yoonjun has a lit cigarette in the corner of his lips.

Click!

Lu Ming's face was dark when he saw Ji Yoonjun's indifferent face. The cigarette smoke caused a division between the two of them.

Ji Yoonjun said, "We are done talking. Go sleep with him in that room."

After a moment of staring, Lu Ming returned to the room to gather his belongings and went to Ji Yoonjun's side, where Ji Yoonjun muttered something into his ears before Lu Ming left.

Ji Yoonjun's words are: 'If one day you choose to betray Su Jin for your own sake, I will... I will kill you with my own hands. Remember, this is not a warning but a threat.'

Lu Ming was shocked, but before he could react, Ji Yoonjun entered the room and slammed the door on his face.

SLAM!

He could only curse silently as he headed to Su Jin's sleeping quarters. Ji Yoonjun, who traded rooms with Lu Ming, snorted, knowing that the man could not fight back, fearful of making noise. Lu Ming wanted to kick the door, but he was afraid of waking up his lover next door.

Snorted

When he turns around, he sees Mo Yuhan, who just finished his bath wearing only his pants; he was topless, exposing his six-pack abs while drying his hair with a towel.

"Ah! Why are you here!?" Mo Yuhan said.

Ji Yoonjun shamelessly goggled on Mo Yuhan's body with an expressionless face. He moves his eyes up and down openly, looking at the man's exposed self.

"Hm, not bad. Yawns," Ji Yoonjun said as he walked past him, laid down on the free bed, and covered himself up with a blanket. "Turn off the lights, please." He nonchalantly ignored the confused expression of the man and headed to the dreamland on his own.

Mo Yuhan wandered around aimlessly until he turned on the room's lights. It was not until the room was completely dark that he realized Lu Ming would not be sleeping here, so he switched places with Ji Yoonjun next door.

"What the hell happened while I was taking a bath? Sigh~ whatever. Let's go to sleep." Mo Yuhan mumbled as he went to the other empty bed and went to sleep.

As soon as Mo Yuhan had fallen asleep, Ji Yoonjun opened his eyes and appeared beside Mo Yuhan.

"System, are you sure that you didn't make a mistake?"

[Yes, host. This mortal's soul is different from the rest of the characters in this world. [The system doesn't know if he is a variable or just like Ji Yoonjun.]

"Put him under surveillance. I can't fail my mission in this world," Ji Yoonjun said.

[Yes, host!]

"If it's the same as Ji Yoonjun, what would he do if he learned that he had gone to a place out of his reach? This world cannot be reset twice in the same timeline, or else the world would be destroyed and Ji Yoonjun's wish would be wasted," Ji Yoonjun mumbled.

[Don't worry, host. Didn't the Lords give you a spell scroll as a reward? I've checked. It's a time-element scroll made with a high-grade elemental spell. You can reverse time for a certain period of time without affecting the original.]

"You mean to cross two timelines and allow them to meet?" Ji Yoonjun asked in disbelief.

This spell was created by the current god of time, who I have heard is the eldest and adopted son of the God of Void and the God of Destruction. He makes time infinite; thus, magic scrolls generated by him are incredibly rare, and he finds it easy to let timelines collide.

"The children of those two Venerable Lords are never simple." He remembered how Ye Jingxia, with the body of a mortal, nearly summoned an ice phoenix without dying; he is still alive, save for a minor load on his current vessel.

The villa's occupants awoke one by one as the sun rose above the horizon once more. Mo Xuejing and Ye Jieye had tucked their kids in the middle of the master bedroom when they went to bed the previous evening, and Ye Jieye was the first of the four to awaken.

He had to get up early to prepare breakfast for his family, so he wrapped the three drowsy heads in a blanket and kissed each of them before making his way to the kitchen.

"Sleep well, my babies," he whispered before quietly going out of the room.

After yesterday's hunt, Mo Xuejing was surprisingly exhausted. He and Ye Jieye had been fighting nonstop since the Beast Stampede, and Mo Xuejing had to fight through herds of fleeing beasts and ingredients in order to find Ye Jieye. The two brats, on the other hand, were thrilled that their parents had returned and had played too much the night before, exhausting themselves.

In the kitchen, Ye Jieye did not prepare elaborate meals; instead, he made boxed lunches for everyone, figuring that if they ate too much, they would either be traveling home by car or by air, or they would

get motion sickness and have to go home anyhow. He only prepared a sweet potato porridge using amber sweet potatoes.

A few more rare and legendary-grade ingredients fill the kitchen with some side dishes, like a rolled tomato omelet made from Snow Vermillion Pheasant's egg and legendary-grade Swamp Tomatoes Lu Shang and Leica bought from the market earlier. A few more vegetables are put in the refrigerator, and Ye Jieye intends to take the leftovers away before they leave.

The lunch boxes held beef stew, rainbow cheese beef lasagnas, lava apple-rainbow cheese steak salad, fajita burger wraps, and some yogurt fruit salad. He also prepared a Lava Apple Risotto for his baby daughter.

All of the food was allocated to individual family members, and he had already recorded his family's portion in his inventory before leaving the remaining food in the kitchen for them to gather themselves.

After cooking, Ye Jieye was about to bring the rest of the dishes outside when he saw his loyal subordinate, Lu Shang, waiting for him quietly outside. Obviously, he is here to report.

Lu Shang bows his head in his Lord's presence as he greets, "Milord, there is something to report. The people we left to protect Mu Zang heard something that might involve the Upper Realm."

"Say."

"Yes, there is a place called the Tower of Gods that grants wishes. Milord's current vessel is not the original body of Ye Jieye but something created by that thing in the Tower of God," Lu Shang reported.

Ye Jieye said, "I know this body isn't real. It's made of flesh but lacks the energy of life. It's more like a puppet body made of flesh. It's filled with the scent of death when I first woke up in it and caused my regeneration to weaken a lot. Only when I cleansed it with my divine blood did it become a real mortal body. The current body of Jing'er is the same.

Likewise, he was also cleansed with divinity. So it's that Tower of God, the thing that created this body?"

"Yes, Milord. It seems that Mu Zang gave away his voice and was only capable of speaking with the help of a human machine attached to his throat," Lu Shang said.

Ye Jieye's eyes narrowed for a moment when he heard about this. But he didn't say anything about it either.

"We will leave in the early afternoon. You inform the rest. Also, breakfast is ready; serve it yourselves. As for the lunch boxes, you distribute them accordingly."

Ye Jieye went into the bedroom to have breakfast with his family; he left the kitchen to carry a tray of food for his wife and kids; he could not possibly serve the others; they would have to serve themselves.

Moments later, Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin had to go back to the cafe to retrieve some of their belongings, while Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan stopped by the clinic to bid farewell to Doctor Sen and pick up Doctor Guang on their way. Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang, on the other hand, had some saved for him and the other seniors, according to Leica, who put their portion in a takeout bowl.

He elected to stay in the hospital tent to help, fearing that his patients would worsen even after the hospital staff sent by Hunter Hall came; he fell yesterday night from exhaustion from working too much and spent the night in Doctor Sen's clinic.

Even though the café was still in a state of disarray, Ji Yoonjun had taken precautions to secure their belongings before it was destroyed. Ji Yoonjun, Su Jin, Lu Ming, and Mo Yuhan headed to the cafe together to organize their belongings, while the other pair walked to the clinic next door.

Knock. knock. knock.

A few minutes later, with black bags under his eyes, Doctor Guang opened the door, and it appeared that the old men inside were still asleep. Lu Ming knocks politely on the closed clinic door, but he knows the old doctor is inside because he feels his presence coming from within the clinic.

Doctor Guang said, "Ugh, it's you two. Why have you come early? Yawns, I'm still so sleepy."

The covered cloth pot next to Lu Ming was hoisted by Mo Yuhan, causing the lid to slant open slightly. Doctor Guang's eyes opened with hunger as the aroma of rice balls and sweet potato porridge assailed his nose.

"Is that breakfast? Come in, come in. I will prepare the bowls and call the seniors." Doctor Guang left them inside the clinic.

When Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan entered the room, they saw three wasted old men who were clearly suffering from a bad hangover: Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu, who had consumed an entire barrel of wine, was lying on the ground with his arms and legs spread, resembling a salted fish that was immobile; Doctor Sen was splattered on the top of the table, clearly feeling numb in his head and not wanting to move; and Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang, who was lying in a normal position with his forehead on the top of his left fist.

Doctor Sen said while hearing the two additional footsteps in his clinic eve. If he didn't open his eyes,.

"Guang, who came over? Argh! Make some sobering soup for us, old men!" Doctor Sen said.

Doctor Guang responded, "Old man, there is something better. Chef Ye made us some breakfast."

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu woke up upon hearing the word breakfast. There was even a drool in the corner of his mouth.

"Did someone say breakfast?!"

"Something Xiao Ye made? Is it porridge? Give this old man a bowl!" Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang said.

The porridge was enjoyable; at least these elderly men who were suffering from hangovers felt warmth in their stomachs, which lessened the aching from drinking too much the night before. Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan help serve breakfast because they see that there are too many elders who want assistance, and they even lift Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu off the ground while serving some of the seniors first.

Chapter 1207: First Grey Star - Departure

The Lu Clan and the Mo Clan, horrified to learn of the Beast Stampede in the Tornado Mountain Ranges and fearing for their own grandsons, responded by dispatching someone to Somatic Town to look into the events of the Beast Stampede. Word of the event had also reached other parts of the capital.

Since it was on the verge of becoming a disaster, many people were curious as to what actually happened. A report of the collective results made its way to the two Heavenly Guardians, revealing that the hunter known as Satan was the one who put an end to the catastrophe. It appears that the beasts were scared of Ye Jieye because of a strange aura that was purplish-black in color.

Lu Wangle, who had just returned from Death Valley, scowled at this news at the Lu Clan; the Beast Stampede is too perilous, but the fact that his grandson's aura alone could solve it brought to mind that cunning Tower of God.

While frowning, Lu Wangle asked, "Where are they right now?"

Yes, they are still in Somatic Town, but they said that they would be heading home today as well. [They would be back to Numen Town before the sun had set.]

Lu Wangle said, "I see. I will go to see my grandson three days from now. Make some preparations."

"Yes, Ancestor!"

Lu Wangle didn't even notice the messenger's disdain and hatred, whether it was towards Ye Jieye or Lu Wangle—only this man knows. This middle-aged man's features are closer to those of Lu Shang and Lu Ming.

Meanwhile, at the Mo Clan's Territory...

They had also heard about the Beast Stampede. Mo Xinyue, the ancestor of this clan, was concerned for his two descendants who were present in the arena when the catastrophe occurred because he had not anticipated that the Beast Stampede would occur.

Mo Xinyue asked, "A Beast Stampede from the Tornado Mountain Ranges? How about Mo Xuejing and Mo Yuhan!? Did you get someone to check on them?"

"Y-Yes, Ancestor. Both of them are safe. There were two Heavenly Guardians in the location when the Beast Stampede happened, so the casualties were lessened greatly. As for how the Beast Stampede had stopped, they said it was Satan who made a move. There are rumors saying that he is already possessing a strength capable of fighting against a Heavenly Guardian."

Mo Xinyue asked, "Is there something else?"

When this question was posed, the messenger hesitated for a moment, not knowing just how to answer the ancestor staring him in the eyes, even though he did have another piece of information. Mo Xinyue narrowed his eyes in response to the messenger's hesitancy.

Heavenly Guardian Mo Xinyue asked, "What is it? Spit it out!"

"Ah! Yes. Our spy said they had seen Lord Mo... holding hands with... Satan. It seems that...

they had gotten together."

There was silence for a while, and the messenger became very anxious within himself upon realizing that the ancestor had not responded to this information. The Mo Clan was well aware of the extent of the Lu and Mo Clan's animosity toward one another, and that Lu Wangle, the ancestor of the Lu Clan, was the source of this animosity.

The ancestor had changed his mind a lot after that incident where the other Heavenly Guardians barged into their territory with that young lord from the Lu Clan and revived their heir, but he did not openly restore their relationship with the Lu Clan. Something else had taken over the body of their young heir. It was a being they could never defy.

Mo Xinyue avoided this topic and pretended not to hear it. If it was the past, he would have definitely flipped up everything in his head just upon hearing about the Lu and anyone connected to them.

Mo Xinyue said, "Send them a message. Tell them to never come back here."

"Yes, Ancestor."

There is no known reason for the Ancestors' refusal to let Mo Xuejing and Mo Yuhan return to the clan, but word had spread about that presence, which continued to live alone in the separate mansion with the heir's body.

At a detached mansion inside the Mo Clan's domain. This mansion is fairly large and has a forest surrounding it. The atmosphere here is peaceful and natural, and the man who lives there despises crowds. However, on occasion, he would call Mo Xuejing to this location upon his return.

This man had long silver hair, but his eyes were strange in some way; one was like an obsidian gem, a shade darker than the night, and the other is silver, with the shade of hidden moonlight from within; his face was half covered by a black mask, showing only the lower portion, so Mo Xuejing had never noticed that this man looked so much like him when they had previously met.

This man is Chaos. No one knows why he took over the vessel of Hei Anjing's incarnation in this world. He did not intentionally harm the original owner of the body, nor did he assist in the creation of a suitable vessel for him. As for the memories that were rightfully the incarnation's, Chaos took control of them all.

He continues to observe the lifetimes that the main soul and the God of Void shared, their interactions, and the ways in which they formed a family.

There are also a lot of painful events that happened in the past. This made Chaos a bit angry, but he had no place to throw a tantrum. Chaos actually didn't know why he took over this vessel when he came to this world.

Chaos mumbles, "I heard that Xiao Jing and An'er had come into this world with him. I can't wait to meet my babies and hug them in my arms."

The four children of the God of Void and the God of Destruction had already met Chaos in their dreams, though they had never told their parents because Chaos had asked them to keep quiet. He had only met his children in their dreams. He could not control the dream because it was someone's domain, but slyly entering would not be an issue for him.

Back to Somatic Town...

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu and Doctor Sen bid them farewell when they had completed their preparations and assembled once more in the villa, which had already been cleaned up and restored to its original state in the town—after all, this was only rented by their group during the quest.

Because Roi is a divine dragon, his original size is the same as that of the pureblood dragon in this world; he could even wrap the entire world around if he so desired. Roi had returned to his original size as they were preparing to ride on his back at home. It stopped at a size at which he could allow everyone to ride on his back.

Heavenly Guardian Mu was already playing with his great-grandchildren, blissfully oblivious to their friends; Mo Xuejing remained by the elder's side, with Mo Yuhan tending to the children; Lu Shang and Leica had just returned, having turned in the key to the real estate state; Ye Jieye was leaning on Roi, biding his time until everyone was ready; Doctor Sen was chatting with Lu Ming, Su Jin, and Ji Yoonjun; after all, he was the one who had taken care of these brats during their stay in this town.

Doctor Sen said, "Don't worry about the cafe. I will watch over it for you."

"Thank you, Grandpa Sen. We will be back after our journey," Su Jin said as he looked like he was about to cry again.

As an orphan with no one to turn to, Doctor Sen was like their savior; Ji Yoonjun, on the other hand, was portrayed like the original and acted as Ji Yoonjun would have done when Ji Yoonjun met the old man. Of course, Ji Yoonjun would not be disrespectful towards such a kind old man.

Ji Yoonjun said, "Grandpa Sen, even though we are not here to send you food, please don't forget to eat on time.

"Aigo, I know. Don't worry. I will eat on time. Though I will miss the cooking of you two," Doctor Sen said.

Beside them, Lu Ming was caught by this old dwarf, Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu spoke, "I heard you are going to the other danger zones. Death Forest is actually more deadly than the Tornado Mountain Range, especially at night. Avoid staying a night in that danger zone. The beast temporarily increases their grade when the blue moon is out."

"Blue Moon? That thing is real?" Lu Ming asked in surprise.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said, "Of course, it's real. I've been there before. In the Death Forest, hunting while the sun is out is still okay, but the night is so dangerous that hunters rarely stay inside this forest during the night."

"Senior, I will keep your words in mind," Lu Ming said.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu laughed and gave Lu Ming a back pat that nearly caused the children to spit blood from the force. Although this Heavenly Guardian is small in stature because of his dwarf ancestry, his strength surpasses that of humans. Receiving a salary from this elderly man is like taking a sledgehammer to the back.

Cough. Cough. cough.

Doctor Sen scolded, "Stop that, Wu. Do you want to kill the kid?"

"Tsk! His physical body is too weak. He should not just train his elemental qi or it would be unbalanced. Kid, train your body. At least achieve an equilibrium between your elemental qi and the vessel. Your elder brother dwelled with his body though," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said as he noticed the muscles on Lu Shang's body.

He might look thin, but in that body of his, not even an ounce of fat can be seen. All of it was muscle and flesh.

"Youngsters these days lean more toward increasing their elemental qi alone and suffering a backlash at higher levels. If you continue doing such a thing, you will only end up crippled!" Xian Wu said to Lu Ming.

Lu Ming seriously said, "I will train my body, Senior!"

"Good. Just follow whatever your big brother will tell you to do. He knows what he is doing," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Lu Ming said, "But Senior, how about my cousin? How come his body is so strong? Much stronger than my big brother."

"Cousin, you don't mean that dangerous-looking handsome lad? That kid and the lad with silver eyes are different from you guys. They are born with divine physique and are different from birth. They are geniuses of their generation. That can't be achieved by training alone. They fought countless battles of life and death to get such strength," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu whispered.

Lu Ming mumbles, "Life and death?"

"Yes, the kind with blood in their hands. Actually... This kid Ji Yoonjun's aura is similar, but his scent is a lot weaker compared to that cousin of yours. Your brother and his lover are similar to your cousin and his partner. Since they are a group, then that's normal," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Seeing Lu Ming and Su Jin dumbfounded after hearing what Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu had said, Doctor Sen glares at Xian Wu, who caused such a thing.

Ji Yoonjun said, "Don't worry. They aren't the type to kill indiscriminately. But they are indeed merciless when it comes to their enemies. After all, being kind to you enough is being cruel to yourselves. They have children to protect after all. Just don't become their enemy."

"What this kid said is right? They are better as friends than as enemies. The bloodline of that lunatic is extremely protective of their family. This is also the reason why Mu Zang hated Lu Wangle's guts," Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu said.

Following this brief exchange of words, Lu Shang summoned the three just as they were about to depart. With Ye Jieye's approval, they all mounted Roi's back and departed, the enormous black dragon's appearance no longer surprising them as they had already seen it twice. Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu and Doctor Sen watched over them as they vanished into the sky.

Despite his rather melancholy appearance, Doctor Sen treated Ji Yoonjun and Su Jin like his grandkids; the two orphans grew up under his tutelage and matured into capable, good-hearted adult men.

"They are gone," he mumbles.

Heavenly Guardian Xian Wu sighed and patted his partner's back gently. "I'm still here. I will stay with you like you did to me."

"Okay. Let us old men wait for the children to come back in the future," Doctor Sen said.

Chapter 1208: First Grey Star - Ambush

They took their time traveling because they were not in a rush to return home, and Lu Shang protected everyone while they rode through the skies on the back of the black dragon, Roi.

Even though the young princess Anxia had a peculiar body from birth, she was too young to regulate her own body temperature, so Mo Xuejing helped her put on a cotton jacket that would keep her from getting too cold—even though it made her look like a ball because of all the layers Mo Xuejing had put on her.

Ye Jingxia was staring at his sister with his round, innocent eyes; his joy of staring at people makes his eyes look big, and his immature features have not allowed his phoenix-shaped eyes to grow yet.

"Dad, why did you make Xiaxia look like a ball?" Ye Jingxia asked nonchalantly.

The other adults on the dragon, however, laughed heartily at what Ye Jingxia had requested, thinking the same things that this little boy was voicing out loud. They also thought it was funny that the little princess now resembled a ball.

Pfft! Hahahahaha~

After hearing from his father that Mo Xuejing was Hei Anjing's incarnation, Ye Jingxia began addressing him as "Dad." Despite Anxia's and Ye Jingxia's gut feelings that he was their father without their father's consent, they were reluctant to address him as such for fear of making a mistaken guess.

Mo Xuejing blushed and said to his son, "Xiao Jing, look carefully! Which angle do you think your younger sister looks like?"

"Dad, there isn't even any angle. She is as round as a piglet!" Ye Jingxia honestly responded to his daddy's words.

Hahahahaha!

The other adults in the area laughed so hard at his response because, regardless of how they choose to interpret it, Anxia's multiple layers make him appear fat. In addition, this tiny girl likes to crawl on all fours, and her current appearance makes her look even more like a piglet.

Feeling a bit humiliated, Mo Xuejing could only glare at everyone, even Ye Jieye, to hush them up. As for Ye Jingxia, he had yearned to flee when his younger sister was playing a game of tag with her.

Ye Jingxia shouted while chasing Anxia. "Ah! Xiaxia, wait for your brother!"

System Yue made his move and instantly teleported his little masters to Mo Xuejing's embrace. The scene is comedic yet serene and full of happiness. This continued until Heavenly Guardian Mu, Lu Shang, and Leica suddenly stopped laughing and turned serious. A man in a black robe appeared out of thin air and was about to grab the two children.

Falling on his dad with his sister in his arms, Ye Jingxia flashed a wide grin at Mo Xuejing. "Dad~?"

Lu Ming, Mo Yuhan, and Su Jin were on guard, and they did not even notice the man's presence, how he suddenly appeared before them, the same way the two cubs vanished in thin air and then reappeared in Mo Xuejing's embrace. The man clicked his tongue, seeing that his ambush had failed. He is a Death Valley native who wanted to capture the only female in the world.

Tsk!

"Do it!"

Ji Yoonjun scowled at the scene, realizing that he and the others had not even realized they were surrounded by invincible enemies when the man in black robes ordered men riding undead birds to suddenly appear when the space rippled and as if some kind of illusion had dispersed, these men appeared and attacked everyone on the top of the black dragon.

Mu Zang mumbled, "This is a space shift and illusion curtain. Only people from the Death Valley are capable of doing such a thing."

Lu Shang and Leica moved swiftly to apprehend these individuals, controlling the wind to create a thicker wind barrier that thwarted even these men's unexpected strikes.

Ye Jieye, who was hugging Mo Xuejing from behind and securing his children, coldly commanded, "Kill them all."

"Yes!" The two wardens responded.

A second late Doctor Guang, Mo Yuhan, and Lu Ming also struck back, while Su Jin was flung by Lu Ming near the seniors for protection. System Yue and System Yang, in their avatar mode, sealed the space

around Roi, preventing the use of space elements. So the enemies would not be able to escape. Lu Shang and Leica no longer hesitated; even Ji Yoonjun made a move.

As for Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan, their faces were pale as they did the same thing; unlike the three, this is the first time they killed a person mercilessly; Su Jin puked at this scene and ran to the corner to vomit. Lu Shang, Leica, Doctor Guang, and Ji Yoonjun were not hesitant, as they immediately beheaded the men near them.

Urgh!

Mu Zang thought that Su Jin was too young and too innocent, but since he is still a young chef, he is not accustomed to this kind of cruel scene. Mo Yuhan and Lu Ming were also frightened by the warm blood that splattered on their hands; they began to tremble after killing just one person and puked out the partially digested lunch, just like Su Jin.

As for Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing, they were expressionless at this scene. The latter covered the eyes of his babies and frowned because of the scent of blood.

"Dirty," whispered Mo Xuejing. The sight of blood and flesh, along with the three people's vomit, made the place a little unsavory. For someone who values hygiene as much as he does, this sight was too horrible.

When Ye Jieye heard his wife's complaint, he lifted his palm and waved it once, and the three men who were throwing up—Ji Yoonjun, Lu Shang, and Leica—were flung aside by an unidentified force that also instantly purified the surrounding environment, including the air.

"Fly on your own."

With the exception of his family, this cruel and evil man threw the rest of the crew out; Lu Shang saved those thrown out, using his wind elements to make them fly. This was something he had already anticipated when he heard Mo Xuejing's complaint just now; even Mu Zang was taken aback; his grandson had truly spoiled his wife. One word from Mo Xuejing, and he threw everyone out.

If he was not this brat's grandfather, he would have been equally thrown off.

Mo Xuejing asked, "Who are those people?"

"Death Valley's necromancers live in the danger zone, Anairam Trench, led by Heavenly King Fei Jue," Mu Zang said.

Lu Shang, having called upon his hawk, let the other four to take a nap on his back before trailing their lord on foot. The other guys, stunned by the unexpected fall from the dragon, remained perplexed to this day.

Lu Ming asked, "What happened? Why?"

"Who told you to puke!? Now we were all thrown off!" Lu Shang commented.

Looking a bit pale, Su Jin said, "Sorry. I was... a bit shocked. I couldn't help it."

"It's fine. My cousin is a clean freak. No wonder Lord Ye threw us off the dragon," Mo Yuhan said. He already knew that their puking must have upset Mo Xuejing, and Ye Jieye threw them all out because of it.

These young guys evidently were not used to their harshness and could not hold back their stomach churning as such terrible deaths as that of those people, even if they were their adversaries. Leica helps soothe Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan's backs, while Ji Yoonjun assists Su Jin.

"Those people are truly persistent!" Jo Yoonjun complained. "Didn't we kill enough of them before!?"

"The Death Valley is protected by a Heavenly Guardian of the Anairam Trench. If the one who truly wanted to capture the princess is the one behind them, then this situation isn't simple," Leica said.

Lu Shang said, "Yue and Yang had already reported their kidnapping attempt from before. Milord didn't want to worry, Lord Mo, and didn't talk about this anymore. Now that they've tried once again, I don't think Milord would still keep quiet."

"Since Lord Mo already knows, then... Lord Ye would definitely make a move," Leica said.

Ji Yoonjun asked, "Is he going to make a move personally?"

"Maybe?" Leica echoed.

The black dragon that had been heading directly into Numen Town abruptly changed course. Roi, acting on his master's orders, heard his grandfather's words and decided to attack these courageous individuals. Ye Jieye, on the other hand, decided to launch a counteroffensive right now.

Ye Jieye commanded, "Roi, go to the sea."

{Yes, Master!}

Following his master's orders without question, he alters his flight path and heads toward the sea. Ye Jieye had previously learned from Lu Shang that Ji Yoonjun had informed him that the Death Valley people were pursuing his children. Those men were ambushed in the cafe, destroying the entire establishment before three Heavenly Guardians intervened to stop them.

Ye Jieye had intended to eliminate them after sending his family back to the restaurant, but he had not anticipated being ambushed on their way home.

Even more strange is the fact that Ye Jieye himself was unaware of the men's approach; he heard no heartbeat or respiration, as though their bodies were already dead. Having come to the realization that these people would not stop, Ye Jieye made the decision to fight these bothersome bugs.

Anairam Trench was located at the head of the sea, which is also the exact spot where those bugs reside, so he rushed straight to their headquarters with the intention of attacking them twice, just like they had done to his children.

Seeing how decisive his grandson Mu Zang was, he couldn't help but smile. He said, "As expected to me, Mu Zang's grandson, it's in our blood to get back at the tiniest grief. Haha~"

"Are we really going, A'Ye?" Mo Xuejing asked, obviously worried for his children and not because he was afraid of death.

Ye Jieye played with his hair and commented, "It won't take long."

Sigh~

Mo Xuejing said, "I'll accompany you."

Meanwhile somewhere in the sea, at the danger zone called Anairam Trench.

The base of those people from the Death Valley is within this treacherous trench, and their leader happens to be a powerful individual who was imprisoned in this dark cliff. A human in a black robe comes sprinting to report to their Lord followed by his subordinates.

"My Lord, they still failed to take away those two human children! Sir, it is almost impossible to kidnap the children of Satan. At least, we can't do it!"

They lost a great deal of their people for no other reason than this abduction mission; worse, they were unable to retrieve the bodies of their fellow comrades; and lastly, they had witnessed firsthand the heinousness of Satan; even from a distance, they saw the team assigned to ambush them being brutally murdered by that man's group; the sight of it nearly killed them.

There is a voice in the shadows that can equal the siren's song; it seems ethereal, but the words are filled with coldness.

"If you can't even do such a simple task, what's the use of you existing!?"

The men in black robes felt as like they were being squeezed, and the water surrounding them abruptly became still. In a matter of seconds, the humans had been reduced to a minced meat that the nearby fish had devoured.

"Just as I thought whether it was humans or fishes, they are all useless..."

Chapter 1209: First Grey Star - Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue, the Mermaid.

Being ambushed on their way home irritated Ye Jieye. A limit to his patience existed; after all, he had already forgotten about these men and was eager to get home. However, since they are seeking death, Ye Jieye had no reason to turn a blind eye to another. He would not have cared much if it was him who was being targeted, but no, they just have to choose his children from all people.

He goes to the sea, where their headquarters are situated. These assassins, like bastards, live in the danger zone itself, which is to be expected from one of the factions that guards it. Already enraged, Ye Jieye altered their flight path and set out to exact revenge on this bunch of idiots.

Like the mysterious Starfall Garden in space, the Anairam Trench is a dangerous zone that has not been fully explored. No one knows what was on this deep underwater cliff, but they do know who was guarding this strange danger zone. The sea in this world is large and wide, and it is more dangerous than the land because it is almost unexplored.

The sea is full of creatures, and the depths of it are almost as endless as the galaxies. Most hunters avoid the water because they cannot breathe there.

As the Heavenly Guardian of Anairam Trench—which is actually his prison, sealed by the other Heavenly Guardians—He is a merman with a half-human bloodline who was banished by the merman race after being rejected in the human lands. However, this man's past is extremely notorious; prior to becoming the Heavenly Guardian of Anairam Trench, he massacred his own mermaid tribe.

He was a mutation of his tribe, which is why he was banished; he was sealed by humans, which is why he hated them; he was only seen by the other Heavenly Guardians. There were rumors that he was extremely beautiful and that his racial ability was even stronger than that of pureblood mermaids. He was naturally resentful of humans and had even vowed to kill them for locking him in this dangerous area.

Thus he began to assemble those who had also been banished here, for unlike the other danger zones, this one could be visited at any time, and the only way out was to persuade someone to take him out, failing which one would be imprisoned there indefinitely, much like Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue.

A massive black dragon looms over the Anairam Trench right now. Fei Jue has some servants, or fishermen, watch over the danger zone's entrance, and they immediately alert the people inside when they spot the dragon approaching. Naturally, Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue was the one who personally learned of this.

Actually, there is no need for his minions to report. As a vengeful being, he already sensed the familiar aura of Mu Zang coming closer.

Ye Jieye casually peered down at the sea's steep cave-like cliff; a few armed fishermen blocked their passage, but Roi merely needed to flick his tail to go past them.

"Is he inside, Gramps?" Ye Jieye asked.

Mu Zang was a bit afraid. Even though he knew that his grandson was strong, he couldn't help but fear that he might lose him as well.

"He is, but... are you going in? Let this old man come with you," Mu Zang said.

Ye Jieye looked at his grandfather with a frown. "There is no need. I will be back soon."

As Ye Jieye was about to leap through the opening, they heard Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue's own ethereal voice from inside. It seemed to have reached very close to their ears, hypnotizing the weak in the process.

{Mu Zang, did you come to gift me your life? Unfortunately, I am no longer interested in you. But your great-grandchildren seem to be interesting. They can be my toys for a few years~}

Upon hearing those words, everyone's face darkened. Unexpectedly, Mo Xuejing, who had previously been aloof and uncaring, became enraged. While he would have tolerated it if the man had not dared to tease his family, who had told him to specifically target his children? His fury reached a breaking point, causing his entire body to turn white with frost.

Even Mu Zang was surprised that his grandson had chosen to be a freak like him, but everyone could feel Mo Xuejing's frigid aura even from a distance, and much of the sea turned to ice.

Mo Xuejing's tone turned cold and menacing as he said the following words: "Whose children do you want as toys?"

{... Who are you? Why is your ice even more powerful than Mo Xinyue?}

Who would have anticipated that this guy who was half fish would laugh so much that he would further tease Mo Xuejing? Mo Xuejing was attempting to contain his anger and disregard this question.

{Heh~ I know now... Are you the one who gave birth to those toys of mine? So you are from the Mo Clan...}

Then, in front of everyone, Mo Xuejing silently and fearlessly jumped inside the Anairam Trench. Ye Jieye was stunned himself, as he forgot all the annoying feelings in his heart the moment he saw his wife jump into the sea. Mu Zang was speechless by what he witnessed. Mo Xuejing turns to leave and looks at Leica.

Leica understood what his master wanted to do and took Ye Jingxia and Anxia from Mo Xuejing without saying a word.

SPLASHED!

{Hahaha~ since you went in! There is no need to come out anymore!!}

Silence~

BOOOOM! BAAANG! SPLASHED! BOOOM!

The red sea bubbled out of the trench itself, accompanied by the sounds of innumerable explosions and the cries of dying creatures; it continued to bubble until the sea above the Anairam Trench's opening was entirely reddened with blood, indicating the number of creatures that perished inside the trench and spilled out of the only way in and out of the Anairam Trench.

{Ahhh! Fuck! What the hell are you!? Shit! Are you really human!? Argh!!

Don't remove my scale... It hurts. I'm sorry... I'm just joking! I only planned to kidnap your children and use them as a token to summon the Heavenly Guardians! No.

No. I beg you... Spare me... Please... Mu Zang, stop this lunatic!! Urgh!!!}

Screams of agony, groans of pain, and pleas for life resound throughout the trench, audible to everyone waiting above the Anairam Trench. Mu Zang was astounded by what he was hearing, realizing that the voice he had just heard was that of Fei Jue, a Heavenly Guardian. But how could he be able to hear him pleading for his life?

The blood spilling out of the trench is too thick, making the seawater unclear, but Lu Ming and Mo Yuhan were doing their best to look through the pool of blood, hoping to get at least a glimpse of what was going on within the trench.

Lu Ming asked, "What do you think your cousin is doing down there?"

"I don't know. Based on how angry his cousin is, he might be torturing him. Hmp! Who told him to call out my nephew and niece as toys? Serves him right!" Mo Yuhan said.

Su Jin said, "But that's a Heavenly Guardian, right?"

"Don't worry. To Lord Mo, it won't be a problem for him to beat up a Heavenly Guardian," Ji Yoonjun said.

Su Jin asked, "Really?"

"Haha~ Of course! It's real," Lu Shang said.

{Sobs~ sobs~ Wuwuwu~}

The cries were replaced by someone sobbing and the sound of something being scrubbed or rubbed, and everyone was left perplexed until the pool of blood at the Anairam Trench's entrance turned to ice and split, and an ice staircase slowly rose from the trench's opening before a thick wall of water burst through it.

When Ye Jieye saw this, he leaped down without thinking. As soon as his feet touched the water, ripples appeared beneath it, but he did not sink; instead, the God of Void controlled his qi, enabling him to stand on the sea. In front of everyone, the haughty man with a distant expression on his face knelt on one knee.

He extended his right hand toward the water barrier and pulled Mo Xuejing out of it, embracing him.

Unexpectedly propelled forward, Mo Xuejing attempted to steady himself right away, but all he could manage was to throw his arms around Ye Jieye's neck, while two large hands grasped his waist to keep him balanced.

With a doting smile and a gentle gaze on that devilishly handsome face, Ye Jieye asked, "No longer angry?"

Blushing from the sudden shortening of the distance between their faces, Mo Xuejing responded shyly. "I beat him up, but I didn't kill him, as he still needed to guard this place. But I took his scale, and his teeth turned to pearls. It should be enough for the children to play with."

Leica, having done his duty, came back beside Lu Shang. Mo Xuejing grinned as he gathered unusual toys for his kids to play with. This could be regarded as his first gift to his cubs. Ye Jieye carried him correctly, and it only took one jump to return to the back of Roi's head. Ye Jingxia and Anxia happily ran back toward their parents and hugged them.

Ye Jieye said, "Roi, head home."

ROOAAR~

A massive black dragon and a huge hawk took off toward the land once more, but Mu Zang remained silent the entire way, and only he and Ye Jieye witnessed what Mo Xuejing had done in that trench.

While Mo Xuejing was giving his gifts to the children, Mu Zang approached his grandson and whispered. "Xiao Ye, your darling is a badass!" He actually witnessed everything within that trench as he could see through that blood sea.

The bloody portion of the sea was created when Mo Xuejing threw the ice clunks with beings inside above and applied enough force to completely crush the ice, including the frozen beings inside. This is how the ice was crushed to the point where only their blood remained and mixed with the seawater.

Initially, all the water was frozen when Mo Xuejing jumped inside the trench and threw the ice with captured enemies at the entrance of the trench.

When Mo Xuejing discovered the mermaid, Fei Jue, he immediately grabbed his tail and began to slam his body from every angle of the trench like a toy. The lovely young man was ruthless. He slammed the mermaid with great force, enough to deform Fei Jue's face.

This mermaid began to cry out of unimaginable pain, and his tears turned into pearls, which attracted Mo Xuejing's attention because it was a glowing pearl, and he believed his kids would love it. Therefore, he continued to beat the mermaid until his shape covered the cliff's walls.

This gave Fei Jue a bad premonition. Mo Xuejing stopped hitting him on the wall and threw him in front of him. Fei Jue never felt more worthless as a Heavenly Guardian than he does now. Mo Xuejing looked at his tail with greed, or more precisely, his gradient rainbow-colored scales. Fei Jue felt a shiver run down his spine when he saw his silver irises glint with mirth.

Subsequently, a traumatic event for a creature the size of a half-fish had finally occurred, making his bad premonition come true. Mo Xuejing's eyes never once left his tail upon noticing the rainbow gradient shade of his scale there, and his face was painted with extreme fear upon witnessing Mo Xuejing create a nice piece of ice.

He can only cry as Mo Xuejing removes some of his scales; even though this devil did not remove all of the fish's scales, the sensation is equivalent to skinning a human alive.

That was Mo Xuejing's will, regardless of Fei Jue's pleading. He reasoned that his kids would appreciate the fish scales, so he took a few of them. He was ruthless because this was the bastard who had attempted to kidnap his kids twice, so this could be seen as a small punishment for this foolish fish.

After getting what he wanted, Mo Xuejing looked at the trebling mermaid, covered in wounds, in front of him. "Be thankful that I'm sparing your life. Target my children again, and I'll have my husband turn you into a sashimi."

Hih~

"I'm sorry. Never again. No more!" Fei Jue swam deeper into the trench as he fled from the devil with an angel's face behind him.

Mo Xuejing did not decide to leave until he had gotten what he wanted and all of his anger had subsided. To be honest, after hearing what Grandpa Mu had said, he was afraid he would not be able to leave alone, but he trusted his husband and knew that he could get out of here with his assistance.

Who would have thought that as soon as he reached out his hand towards the water barrier that locked him in, someone would grab him and pull him out of the trench? When he saw Ye Jieye's smiling face, he felt that his world had finally filled with light once more.

Chapter 1210: First Grey Star - At the Capital City

At Numen Town...

Ye Jieye and his group finally made it back home after a few hours of flying. As soon as Roi got close to the restaurant, he dropped everyone below the location of the restaurant and shrank once more to the size of a snake. Everyone knew that their group had made it back when they saw Roi. The tofu vendors, Uncle Cao and Uncle Butcher, ran to greet them, and everyone else in the town did the same.

The tofu seller, Uncle Cao, said, "Thank God. You guys are safe." He hugged Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing, who were carrying Ye Jingxia and Anxia in their arms.

Ye Jieye asked, "Uncle Cao, what's wrong?"

"Let go of them! You're squeezing the cubs!" Uncle Butcher said as he pulled away Uncle Cao.

Mo Xuejing asked worriedly, "What's wrong, Uncles? Why do you look like that?"

"Sigh~ we heard about the Beast Stampede in Somatic Town. We actually wanted to go there but all roads were blocked in case of the Beast Stampede breaking through the borders. The location happened to be Somatic Town where you guys are. So this bastard was so worried about you.

I even told him everything would be fine as the boss is with you." Uncle Butcher explained the details for Uncle Cao's abrupt reaction.

Mu Zang snorted and said, "Don't worry about Xiao Ye. He was the one who resolved the Beast Stampede himself. Why would that thing even put him in danger?"

When they heard that, everyone was shocked. Their neighbors congratulated him, happy to hear that this young man had grown so strong. They also saw that Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing's hands were clasped together, their fingers intertwined, which was sufficient evidence that they were lovers.

Uncle Cao asked, "This... What is happening? Are you two finally together?"

Ye Jieye smiled and shook his head. As for Mo Xuejing, he is so ashamed that he could only hide behind Ye Jieye with red cheeks and ears, plainly timid. The people in the vicinity were delighted for them. They knew that Mo Xuejing had been pining for Ye Jieye all this time.

Uncle Cao said, "Wow~ finally! I thought it would take longer because of this brat!"

The old mayor, Mu Zang, stated, "There is no need to take a long time. These two are husband and wife after all."

"WHAT!?" Everyone exclaimed.

"Kakaka~ such good news. It must be celebrated. Xiao Ye, how about it? Did you catch a Behemoth Carabao for this old man?" Uncle Butcher said.

"Yes, the space inventory is with Jing'er. There are quite a lot of other ingredients in there. During the stampede, too many ingredients were hunted. I will also leave those to you, Uncle Butcher," Ye Jieye said.

Uncle Butcher also got the space inventory from Mo Xuejing, which was full of unbutchered components. Uncle Butcher looked at it, and his smile went all the way to his ear.

He patted Ye Jieye's shoulder and said, "Good Job, boy! Everyone, let's have a meat party tonight! Hahaha~"

For Uncle Butcher, who received more than one adult Behemoth Carabao, receiving a calf for free is a good deal; it is more like a teaser to tempt others to become purchasers. The people in town rejoiced. One Behemoth calf was sufficient for the whole town.

Old Mayor Mu shooed the people away and said, "Okay, you guys return to work. We are so tired. Let us rest!"

The mayor himself said this, and the people scattered off to resume their work, while Mo Xuejing, Ye Jieye, and the two cubs walked inside the restaurant to rest because they were so exhausted from their travel that it would not be open today.

Ye Jieye said, "Gramps, what do you want for dinner?"

"Cook something with no meat. It is enough that the butcher will make some barbecue for meat," Mu Zang said.

Ye Jieye said, "Okay." Then he looked at Lu Shang. "You can accompany them to the outskirts and middle region of the Death Forest, but don't go in the core region. My pet lives there."

"As you command, My Lord!" Lu Shang said.

The others paid their respects to Senior Mu and then followed Lu Shang and Leica to their residence. The four children will stay with this couple while they are in the town of Numen; Doctor Guang will stay at the Mayor's House since he may live with his boss at Ye Jieye's property.

After dropping the things and taking Giang back to the mayor's house, Mu Zang once again left for something.

Doctor Guang asked, "Senior, aren't you going to rest first?"

"No. I left this place for too long. There is too much work to do. You can do as you wish. I will be back later for dinner," Mu Zang said as he once again left for his own business.

At the Capital City, Kingdom of Xinghai...

One day, the alarm went off, confusing those who watch over the danger zones around the clock. The Heavenly Guardians are both national treasures of the human race and guardians of the danger zones, which is why the kingdom has always kept an eye on their circumstances.

Their bodies are equipped with a nanochip that tracks their conditions, allowing the kingdom to not only know where they are at all times but also how much life they have left. The people of the capital were shocked to learn that Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue's life statistics had suddenly jumped to half-death that morning.

Ding. Ding. Ding

"Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue's vessel's index had been dropping at a very fast rate!"

"What is going on!? Isn't this man locked in the Anairam Trench? Go show me the feedback from the satellite!" Commanded King Wang Xingyun.

After hearing about Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue's condition, the current king of Alteria had rushed over, making sure that the outer area of that danger was safe to occupy even though Fei Jue was imprisoned in that trench. The report stated that Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue's condition was not good, with all of his status having fallen to mid, meaning that he was still alive but severely injured.

The controlled satellite in orbit records the events of the previous hour. It shows the recording of the black dragon and hawk approaching the sea, which is instantly recognizable to all.

"This black dragon... isn't it that man's mount!?"

"Look at the back. Isn't that Satan? The Hei of Mo is here too, as is Heavenly Guardian Mu."

"Why did they come over to the sea?" King Xingyin asked.

"Your Majesty, according to the video, it seems they were ambushed on their way home, which pissed off Satan. They seem to be targeting his children."

King Wang Xingyun frowned and said, "Is it the people under Fei Jue that keep on wanting that man's children?"

"It seems so. The one who started it was Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue."

One of the men whoever was tasked with looking for the reason why Heavenly Guardian Fei Jue ended up half dead exclaimed out of nowhere.

"Ah! He jumped! It's not Satan!"

A bit startled, King Xingyun asked, "What do you mean? Turn back the video a bit!"

They noticed nothing strange in the footage, but all of a sudden the Heir of the Mo Clan leaped into the Anairam Trench, and within hours the sea turned bloody, and Ye Jieye rescued Mo Xuejing out of it before they left.

Everyone was shocked to see Ye Jieye look at them in this way, and they shivered when they saw him move his lips to form the words, 'Mind your own business.' Ye Jieye was nonchalant the entire time, then suddenly turned in the direction of the satellite, which made it look like he was staring at the camera.

King Xingyun mumbled, "It seems Satan knew all along that we were going to watch this recording and gave them a warning. He is truly a man that can't be controlled."

All of a sudden, a man came running and reported to the king, "Your Majesty, someone is seeking your presence!"

"I am busy right now. Tell them to leave!" King Xingyun said.

"But your Majesty, it's Heavenly Guardian Mu."

Mu Zang's name was mentioned, and everyone was shocked. They had not expected this man to visit in this manner without a royal decree of summons. King Xingyun appeared to know why Mu Zang had visited in person, since he was, after all, going to summon Ye Jieye and Mo Xuejing to the capital to hear their side of the tale.

King Xingyun changed his words almost immediately and said, "Escort him politely to the hall!"

"Yes, Your Majesty!"

Sigh!

"For Mu Zang to personally come over, he is telling us not to bother his grandson with this problem that involves Fei Jue," King Xingyun mumbles.

His loyal prime minister said, "He just didn't want to let his grandson come over to this place. After all, the Mo Clan and Lu Clan's influence in the capital is only second to the crown."

"I truly couldn't understand why these old men keep on fighting one another. Sigh~ now then shall we listen to the story of Heavenly Guardian Mu Zang himself." King Xingyun said

His minister added, "Your Majesty, please don't forget about the Beast Stampede as well."

"Okay, you come over and ask about it as well," King Xingyun said as he left the surveillance room with his minister to meet Mu Zang.

At the King's receiving hall...

Seated on a table, sipping his drink, Mu Zang was patiently waiting for the king to arrive. It appears that he leaves Numen Town and heads straight to the capital, knowing full well that the Kingdom would intervene as soon as the Heavenly Guardian was damaged. Ye Jieye was kept in the dark about this, though, as only the other Heavenly Guardians were aware of it.

Fei Jue may be a wicked man imprisoned in the Anairam Trench, but he is still a Heavenly Guardian, and when he was nearly killed by his granddaughter-in-law, Mu Zang knew that the kingdom would undoubtedly become involved. Ye Jieye, his grandson, had undergone a significant transformation, and it opened his eyes to many new insights.

His children and his lover are his taboos. Anyone who dares to move them will receive his anger.

Ye Jieye doesn't fear anything in this world. He is stronger than any Heavenly Guardian.

Ye Jieye doesn't care about anything unless it involves his family.

Lastly, he is a person who doesn't follow anyone's orders, even if the King himself makes a command or a decree. He will definitely rebel if he is forced to do so.

While Mu Zang does not fear the kingdom, he also does not want to make them his enemies just yet. This is because the Ruins of Time are in the capital. He has a strong belief that those who were trapped in that dungeon are still alive.

If their relationship with the kingdom deteriorates, they will not be able to save those who were trapped inside, including Ye Jieye's real vessel and his husband, son, and daughter-in-law. Therefore, he can only visit the capital to report in person.

King Xingyun and his minister finally arrived. He was welcoming when he saw Mu Zang in the hall and approached the table he was seated on.

Mu Zang formally greeted the king. With courtesy in his words, he said.

"Zang from the Mu Clan greets the sun of the kingdom."