

Apocalypse 1526

Chapter 1526

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The underground river.

The one-minute countdown was over.

Gu Qing Shan was standing in mid-air with countless black tentacles attached to his back that were continuously boosting his strength.

— and then it further boosted him.

This boost was continuous and relentless!

This surge of strength had surpassed Gu Qing Shan's original strength so much that he had already passed several realms that he couldn't even imagine in the past, and yet it still continued to climb.

In the end, he even felt a sort of primal fear towards his insane increase in strength.

"It's still going up... what kind of strength would I reach in the end?"

Gu Qing Shan couldn't help but sigh.

Lines of glowing text quickly appeared on the War God UI:

[Time's up]

[You've obtained power bestowal from ??????, increasing your strength to an unspeakable level]

[This power will be fully imbued into your four consecutive 'Ethereal' strikes]

[You may now begin]

Reading these notifications, a hint of hesitation appeared in Gu Qing Shan's heart, causing him to subconsciously harbor a certain thought.

With this power... and the strength of [Null Tribulation], what wouldn't I be able to annihilate in this reality?

At that moment, the entire underground river was completely silent, but the Samsara debris above his head continued pushing, giving off an increasingly loud and resounding creaking noise.

He lowered his posture mid-air and shifted into a stance.

— — — I need to instantly unleash all four strikes at the same time and use this abrupt burst of force to change the situation, otherwise, the previous three strikes might cause all of the debris to come crashing down.

Gu Qing Shan prepared himself— —

And then a sudden thought flashed through his mind.

He paused briefly and called out: "Adorable, where are you?"

Xiu.

A noise replied to him.

Gu Qing Shan asked: "Can you borrow the [Null Tribulation] that I'll unleash?"

Adorable's voice seemed a bit troubled.

Wu wu, xiu xiu xiu, xiu xiu xiu.

Gu Qing Shan nodded.

— — —this power had completely surpassed the energy limit of the jade gourd pendant, Adorable, with its current capabilities, it would only be able to borrow the first strike at most.

The first strike of [Ethereal] was [Grand Mountain]

[Grand Mountain, thought-destroying fist, ignores distance when unleashed, the struck target would have their thoughts shattered and their mind would go blank]

[Unless they suffer injury, this state will persist for ten breaths' worth of time. Only after ten breaths would the target suddenly snap out of this state as if it was just a dream]

...No matter how much power was imbued into this strike, the effect wouldn't change too much.

With that thought in mind, Gu Qing Shan asked Adorable about it.

Wu wu, xiu xiu xiu xiu.

Adorable slowly explained it to him.

It said that there was an issue of resistance and defense at play here.

From power level alone, if an ant used [Grand Mountain] on an elephant, the elephant might snap out of this state in a single breath's worth of time, not ten.

At Gu Qing Shan's current level of strength, the [Grand Mountain] he used would force anyone into a blank state of mind that would persist for the full ten breaths.

Gu Qing Shan sighed; a bit disappointed.

If Adorable could borrow my final strike, I would essentially be carrying a killer weapon with me everywhere I go, there wouldn't be a need for me to fear anyone anymore.

Wu wu, xiu xiu xiu.

Adorable consoled him.

“Really? I’ve only just remembered that you were a piece of jade—— you mean that if I meticulously nurtured you for a few years, you might be able to do it later on?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

Xiu!

Adorable affirmed.

“Alright, then when I unleash the strike, borrow [Grand Mountain] from me” Gu Qing Shan replied.

Adorable hid back into the void of space and silently waited.

Gu Qing Shan called out again: “Shannu”

“Gongzi, I’m here”

Shannu manifested her spirit form, then answered without waiting for him to ask: “Gongzi, it’s not possible. This is only a temporary increase in strength, so even if I use [Living’s Wisdom], I would only be able to take advantage of this power during this time period just like you do, but not afterwards”

Gu Qing Shan thought about it for a second, then said: “Then let’s unleash the entire set of [Ethereal] strikes together”

“Is gongzi worried that you wouldn’t be able to deal with all of these Samsara debris?” Shannu asked.

“I am. With twice as much power, it would be more secured” Gu Qing Shan replied.

“Understood”

Shannu replied, then her presence gradually rose to match Gu Qing Shan.

At this point, it was as if two Gu Qing Shan had obtained power from Boss and were preparing to unleash [Ethereal] with all of their strength.

This way, the Samsara threat would definitely be resolved!

Gu Qing Shan glanced at Shannu and felt like sighing in respect.

—[Living’s Wisdom] utilized power originating from the Grand Tie Wei Mountain surrounding the Samsara, and it was still capable of supplying as much power as Boss, how impressive.

Gu Qing Shan and Shannu stood side to side, both of them clenching their fists.

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“Ready——”

Gu Qing Shan called out.

Their aura became solidified as they immediately prepared to act at the same time.

Black cracks radiated from their bodies, ripping the void of space apart without being able to close back up——

By simply standing there, they were causing space to crack.

Both of them threw a punch at the same time.

First strike, [Ethereal – Grand Mountain]!

Instantly, something unusual occurred———

Nothing could be seen within their vicinity, the entire underground river around them turned into void.

Gu Qing Shan and Shannu were both hidden by this void.

No one was able to observe them unleashing this attack.

Only a few lines of text quickly appeared in the void of space to slightly illuminate the void:

[A fist technique surpassing the Samsara is about to unleash immense fluctuations and draw unknown attention]

[Utilizing stockpiled Soul Points in an attempt to obscure the fluctuations of this fist technique]

[Obscuring complete!]

[From this point onwards, no entity would be able to observe any information regarding this fist technique or any corresponding situations]

[This effect will persist until all of the Samsara fragments had been destroyed]

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The frozen world.

Boundless dark light was spat back out by the tubes and reformed into a figure.

A girl wearing dress armor.

Reneedol.

Boss looked at her with a questioning expression and asked: “Are you Clotho, or Atropos?”

Reneedol opened her eyes and muttered: “Shroud, it’s me, I’m Atropos, the one who had always been by your side and shared all of your hardships”

Boss didn’t say anything and simply reached his hand forward with a smile.

Reneedol took his hand.

“Except, the one who had remained by my side and shared my hardship was never you” Boss declared.

Reneedol’s expression instantly changed.

She wanted to pull her hand back, but it was already too late.

Countless sharp black tubes appeared from the void of space, pierced through her hand and restrained her in place, ensuring that she couldn’t move at all.

Boss coldly continued:

“The Law of Fate gave birth to three Deities, today, I shall erase their existences and use one of the original two Wings of Fate to act as the final replacement”

Next to him, a transparent figure appeared following his declaration and gradually became solid.

—Reneedol.

It was another Reneedol!

However, this Reneedol appeared even more beautiful, purer, and exuded a natural sense of ethereal beauty.

A voice called out:

“What’s going on here?”

Boss glanced towards the void to see Gu Qing Shan coming out from a mass of white fog.

Having completed the four strikes, he returned to the frozen world.

A Sealing Token made of a solid piece of grey stone silently sat in his hand.

Boss looked at him, then at the Sealing Token and asked: “You’ve obtained the fifth Sealing Token?”

“Hm, I’ve sent all the Samsara debris flying and scattered them into the Space Vortex”

“Only the sixth Sealing Token is left now—— right, what did you say was the requirement for obtaining the sixth Sealing Token again?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“For history to be completely unaffected and maintain its original progress, for everything to proceed as they originally did in history” Boss replied.

He pointed at the transparent figure of Reneedol next to him and said: “And now, I’m completing this final step”

That Reneedol nodded and smiled at Gu Qing Shan.

“This is?” Gu Qing Shan clasped his fist and asked.

“She is the real Reneedol that was born through the Twin Tree of Fate” Boss answered.

“Why do you know her?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“I’ve always known her. Ever since I was young, I had already seen her. She was capable of bypassing the ones who took over her body to communicate with me, informing me everything about her situation. But it was only today that I finally had the chance to help her regain control over her body” Boss explained.

When it came to this matter, Boss wouldn’t care to tell any lies.

Which means that this was the truth.

Gu Qing Shan silently nodded.

...If this was the case, everything made sense.

Each time that Boss talked to Reneedol, he had either been acting or had been talking to the real Reneedol.

The one who Boss truly liked had never been any of the three Deities of Fate, it had always been the fated girl born from the Twin Tree of Fate, Reneedol.

“She... had done a lot for my sake. During many of my toughest moments, it was none other than her who had silently gone through them with me, but as I’ve had to deceive the two Deities of Fate, I’ve always pretended not to know”

Boss silently muttered.

The transparent Reneedol gently looked at him, softly shook her head, and told him something.

Gu Qing Shan couldn’t hear what she said, but Boss listened to her very seriously.

Boss shook his head: “No need to sympathize with them. Both Clotho and Atropos were envoys under the manipulation of an Apocalypse, I will not leave them be”

“The true fated girl, the only one I long for during this era, Reneedol”

“I will release the last bit of my power to help you reclaim your body!”

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Reneedol’s body that was taken over by Atropos had been pierced through by numerous tubes, unable to move at all.

“No! I am one of the three Deities of Fate, my background is noble, my strength is vast; Shroud, you can’t kill me!”

She desperately screamed.

The [Plate of Destiny’s End] manifested around her body in an attempt to dispel these black tubes, but they didn’t work at all.

Boss reached his hand forward and made a gesture.

A boundless river of stars once again manifested behind him, circling around both him and Reneedol like a tornado.

Atropos abruptly shut up and fell unconscious.

Both the [Tear of Deities] and [Plate of Destiny’s End] were swiftly removed from her body and lightly hovered next to her.

Boss gazed profoundly at the figure next to him.

——the real Reneedol.

“I’ve completely stripped her of all of her powers, she can no longer control your body, you can go” he said sincerely.

Renedol nodded, then said something to Boss.

Boss smiled gently and explained: “Like I’ve told you before, whether it is the Apocalypse, the power of the Deity of Fate, the Divine Artifacts, or your original talents; everything will disappear. You will be able to restart everything anew like a newborn child”

Renedol lowered her head a bit in thought, then smiled towards Boss.

She flew towards her original body.

As she returned to her body, Boss made another gesture.

The starlight around them rapidly spun like a beautiful tornado of stars.

Following Boss’ gesture, this starlight all entered Renedol’s forehead and formed into a beautiful glowing star.

Under the light of this star, three figures appeared from Renedol’s body.

—the three sisters of Fate: Clotho, Lachesis, and Atropos.

Renedol opened her eyes and observed these three Deities of Fate.

Lachesis stood in the middle, as she glanced around her surroundings, she sighed helplessly before slowly disappearing into the void of space.

Boss explained: “I’ve eliminated the Apocalypse, and among the three Deities, only Lachesis had never taken control over your body, so she directly vanished into the void”

“What about the two of them?”

Renedol looked at the two remaining Deities of Fate and asked.

Boss replied: “With a single thought from you, the power I’ve left on your body will erase both of their existences”

Renedol appeared glad and glanced between Clotho and Atropos.

Clotho and Atropos’ expressions changed, trying to beg, but not even their voices could be heard.

Boss sighed, then happily said: “Finally, this day had finally arrived, I’ve helped you regain your body”

All the starlight disappeared.

His body became limp and collapsed on the ground.

Gu Qing Shan hurriedly tried to catch him, but his own strength hadn’t fully recovered, so the two of them both fell on their buttocks.

“Here” Gu Qing Shan handed him a canned drink.

“Help me open it, I don’t even have the strength to pull the tab right now” Boss wryly smiled and said.

“Me as well— why didn’t you tell me about this first, I’ve already exerted every last bit of strength for that previous strike” Gu Qing Shan complained.

He called Scarlet over and handed her two cans, asking for her to help open them.

“It’s a good thing that everything has been resolved” Boss smiled and said.

“Ah, fine, it’s been really tough” Gu Qing Shan helplessly sighed.

—–the only thing left now was for Reneedol to fully take control of her body, then this entire matter would resolve itself perfectly.

The Lord of Infinite Origins had been erased, the three Deities of Fate had also disappeared, the Samsara debris had already been scattered into the Space Vortex and would no longer destroy this world, all the species that were taking refuge within the Pantheon would continue to remain.

Everything would now proceed as history once did.

“Are these drinks delicious? It doesn’t smell like alcohol” Scarlet commented.

She handed the two cans to Boss and Gu Qing Shan.

Suddenly—–

The two cans disappeared.

A curt grunt was heard behind them.

It was Little Dusk!

She had been tied up by a length of rope created from starlight, unable to move.

Bam!

With a loud noise, Scarlet was sent flying, her survival unclear.

In that instant, Gu Qing Shan and Boss were also picked up by an immensely strong force that kept them in mid-air.

Cold starlight had pierced through their chests and radiated a powerful destructive aura.

The two of them had already expended all of their powers, so without being able to react, they were swiftly restrained.

“Don’t move, I have other businesses to take care of first”

A female voice spoke up.

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As the two of them turned towards the voice, they saw that Renedol’s previous expression of innocence and pity had disappeared without a trace.

She coldly looked at the two Deities of Fate and casually spoke to the two Deities of Fate:

“I’ve already told you my conditions. Live or die, that’s up to your decisions”

Clotho and Atropos exchanged glances, sighed, then chanted an incantation in unison.

The hovering [Plate of Destiny’s End] suddenly broke off into its components, circled around Renedol’s body, then equipped itself on to her.

The pendant that gave off starlight, [Tear of Deities], also slowly flew into Renedol’s hand, after which she put it on her neck.

“Why? Why did you have to do such a thing?” Boss was completely exhausted but still forced himself to ask.

After donning her new equipment, Reneedol slowly approached Boss.

She stood in front of him, stroking his face and explained:

“I was said to be fated to a certain event, that was to become the companion of the strongest—— but many have misunderstood this Fate. As soon as I was born, my body was taken over by the Deity of Fate, drowned in a river, and drifted towards the World Valley. Ever since that moment, I’ve always accompanied a certain person who would become ‘the strongest’, and that was you”

Her beautiful gem-like eyes appeared slightly sarcastic as she muttered in a low voice: “How laughable of Clotho to try and borrow this Fate, not knowing that it had always been in effect”

Gu Qing Shan endured the intense pain in his chest and asked: “Shroud had already fully committed himself to help you, and you’ve obtained rebirth as you wish—— but you’ve acted against us like this, are you insane?”

As he spoke, a fist strike suddenly appeared in mid-air.

Adorable had attacked!

——[Ethereal – Grand Mountain]!

This was a full-power strike from Gu Qing Shan after he obtained Boss’ power, surely Reneedol would not be able to stop it.

However, Reneedol stood still.

Clotho uttered a silent scream and jumped in front of Reneedol.

Even as a soul, she still lost all of her thoughts and became frozen.

Reneedol appeared pleased.

“If I die, you’ll die, so you need to take more of these unexpected attacks for me” she patted Clotho’s face and said.

Gu Qing Shan’s heart felt heavy.

Adorable’s attack was stopped!

“Reneedol, I’ve used everything I had to bring you rebirth, why did you have to do this? I really don’t understand” Boss struggled to speak.

Reneedol silently observed Boss and spoke: “Rebirth? What do you think is rebirth?”

Her voice suddenly contained a bit of hatred:

“Ever since I was born, I had to watch someone else take my body and do anything with it as they pleased, unable to even attempt to put a stop to it, then was destined to become the companion of ‘the strongest’ — what a terrible Fate that is, my own will had never been accepted nor understood by anyone, or by any entity”

“I had no choice but to go through countless nights by myself, facing the unknown of my own survival, and I still had to think of ways to flatter you, soothe you, console you. Have you ever thought for even a moment about what I was thinking?”

“—I just wanted to live”

Boss spat up some blood and endured the pain: “I understand you. I also understand the past you’ve been through. Trust me, accompany me, I’ll surely take you to a more prosperous era and show you happiness and joy”

“Happiness?” Reneedol sneered.

“I entered this world by myself, witnessing nothing but schemes, deceptions, unrestrained desires, as well as the continuous Apocalypse, and yet the only thing that Fate gave me in return for that is a companion—”

She angrily screamed: “Why should I accept the arrangements of Fate, how ridiculous!”

“I have believed that our feelings— were mutual——” Boss breathed heavily and trembled as he spoke.

“That’s right, during a lot of your darkest moments, I’ve helped you, and even helped you discover your true identity, after which I shared your power. So at this point, I don’t owe you anything, and you don’t owe me anything either”

Reneedol stared straight into Boss’ eyes and whispered: “Get it into your damn mind, as a ghost who doesn’t even have a body, the thing I desired most had never been some sickening notion of ‘love’, but to live, to truly and sincerely live under the light of the sun”

Gu Qing Shan abruptly cut in: “But you’ve already succeeded! You’re already gotten your wish, if you say that neither side owes the other anything, then why did you continue to attack us?”

Reneedol turned her head and looked at him.

“Rhode, I had thought that you were a smart person” she said.

“What do you mean?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

Reneedol continued: “During this Age of Apocalypses, there would never be any true peace or safety. I naturally need power to protect the body I’ve spent so much effort to regain, my life, my power, and my authority”

Gu Qing Shan went silent briefly and said:

“Even when no one owed the other party anything, you still ambushed us while we were most exhausted. This had already made something clear”

“What’s that?” Reneedol asked.

“You still feel guilty, you don’t truly believe your words— if not, why did you have to attack someone who helped you?” Gu Qing Shan questioned.

Reneedol coldly scoffed, then pointed at Boss and said: "To achieve my goals, I merely told a lie, and he bought that lie"

She abruptly raised her voice: "Love! What a laughable and illusional emotion, it had never occupied a single bit of my heart"

Invisible black threads appeared around her, gradually manifesting as a dark featureless humanoid face.

"I forgot to tell you, but the power of Fate had connected him and me during these years. Even the entities that he erased must go through my agreement before they can enter the final process of destruction"

"Before I make this decision——"

"They all can temporarily exist indefinitely"

At this point, Clotho regained her senses and hurriedly stood on Reneedol's left.

Atropos also approached and stood on her right.

The two Deities of Fate both knelt on one knee, each taking one of Reneedol's hands and lowered their heads as if to pledge their allegiance.

At this moment, their Fate and life were both in the hands of someone that was once under their control.

While Reneedol stood with her back straight, wearing a dress of darkness and an emotionless cold expression.

"Fate kneels at my feet"

"Even the Apocalypse had to become my servant"

Reneedol looked at Boss and Gu Qing Shan, then lightly shook her head: "And all of your efforts so far will forge the 'me' of today, I only have one way to bury the pitiful days of my past——"

Boundless starlight gathered in her hand to form a sharp dagger.

“Die. Both Radiance and Death shall end today, and I shall open the new era with my own hands”

“I, Renedol, am the master of Fate, the future Empress of the Pantheon!”

Chapter 1528

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The world of the Spire.

The bar.

The women were drinking together.

“Are you still not done?” Ye Ru Xi asked.

Kitty didn't look up and continued to write as she answered: “It can't be helped. Writing is something that must be done for every minute of the day, I had to do so much work today that I'm definitely won't be able to upload a new chapter in time—— I can practically hear those readers cursing me already”

She put her pen down and drank the entire glass in a single gulp.

“Ah... that's really strong, I'm guessing it was Anna who picked it out” she clicked her tongue and commented.

When everyone looked at Anna, they saw that she was just standing there, blankly looking into space.

“What's the matter, big sis Anna?” Laura waved her hand and asked.

Anna squeezed out a smile and replied: “Not sure, I just feel a bit... uneasy”

Suddenly, the sound of emergency sirens rang all over the world.

Kitty put the glass down with a changed expression: "I'll take you with me"

Without seeing her do anything, everyone and the entire bar counter disappeared from inside the bar.

...

The Spire.

Bam!

With an abrupt noise, the bar counter and the four girls appeared in front of everyone.

"Why did you bring the entire bar with you?" Barry complained.

"Just in case it isn't anything important, we'd drink while listening to you guys talk" Kitty replied.

"I'm sorry, but I'm afraid you will most likely not have time to drink" the chairman of the Spire Keeper Association informed her.

Then he poured himself a drink.

"What exactly is the situation?" Ye Ru Xi asked.

The chairman answered: "While this Temporal Oasis continued to drift just above the River of Time, our scholars felt a continuous interest in this phenomenon and developed several tools to observe the various short pieces of history from above the River of Time. I believe everyone knows about this"

Everyone nodded.

“But now, we’ve discovered something out of the ordinary”

“What is it?”

“Within the River of Time, many pieces of history are rapidly disappearing”

“Disappearing?” Anna parroted him, then asked: “Those were all actual events that had occurred, how did they all suddenly disappear?”

The chairman took another sip of alcohol, his expression displayed a bit of discomfort and said: “Take a look for yourselves”

A mirror as big as the ceiling of the room appeared above everyone’s head, which was the size of a football field.

The River of Time was displayed in the mirror.

“Can you see it? Many places have completely disappeared, turning into dark spots” the chairman of the Spire Keeper Association explained.

“Have you asked Lady Darksea about this?” Ye Ru Xi asked.

A female voice was heard by everyone’s ears:

[The chairman did ask me]

Lady Darksea’s appearance showed up in front of everyone’s visions.

[I can confirm that the history that was set in stone is gradually disappearing, turning into nothingness. Everyone’s Fates are undergoing immense, unbelievable alterations]

The room instantly became full of discussions.

“What exactly is going on?” Zhang Ying Hao asked, still confused.

[In the distant past, someone is attempting to change everything, which is causing the Causality of all things to also change, thus resulting in the Fates located within the lengthy River of Time to change accordingly] Lady Darksea replied.

Laura asked: “Lady Darksea, if they’re being changed, then new visions of history should appear in their place, why are so many regions within the River of Time turning completely dark instead?”

[Because the things that are replacing those histories was complete destruction] Lady Darksea answered.

——in the changed history, those places had been completely destroyed, leaving nothing behind in the River of Time, which was why they appeared as dark spots.

Everyone slowly calmed down.

“I want to know, are people still disappearing on the Oasis?” Barry asked.

Lady Darksea replied: [After the Lord of Infinite Origins returned to the past, the disappearances had originally stopped. But three minutes earlier, two people had just disappeared, and this number is still rapidly climbing]

Suddenly, Ye Fei Li called out: “Hurry, look!”

Everyone followed where he was pointing at in the mirror above them.

In the mirror, the entire glittering river was gradually turning dim.

More and more places were turning completely dark.

In one mere breath's worth of time, the entire River of Time had turned into a place of darkness and nothingness.

There was no longer any history.

"No..." Barry muttered.

Thud!

Laura dropped to her knees and blankly whispered: "This... how could this be..."

None of the others answered.

Everyone had realized a certain fact---

All the worlds had been destroyed.

Zhang Ying Hao suddenly asked: "Lady Darksea, what's the situation here for us?"

[Please wait a moment, I'm attempting to investigate] Lady Darksea replied.

---at the moment, everyone was within the isolated Temporal Oasis.

As an isolated oasis, it would slowly and continuously drift forward along the River of Time.

According to the Law of Time, everyone would eventually move past the time period from which they started and follow the inertia of time, only after arriving at a very specific moment in time would they be able to reappear in the normal timeline.

But now, everything had been destroyed.

Then, what kind of future was waiting for them?

After one breath's worth of time, Lady Darksea's voice sounded again:

[Reporting to everyone, the number of missing people is increasing at an alarming rate]

[Referencing the Lord of Infinite Origins' judgement, the Causality of the past can no longer be established, resulting in everything changing]

[Even this Temporal Oasis had changed accordingly]

Ye Fei Li asked: "Is there a way to stop this?"

Lady Darksea replied: [Unfortunately, the deciding power originated from the distant Age of Immemorial, we're helpless in this endeavour]

As they were talking, Ye Fei Li disappeared.

Followed by Barry, the elders of the Spire Keeper Association, Ye Ru Xi, and the pixie Grand Elder.

"No! Why can't we stop any of this?" Kitty asked, unwilling to accept their fate.

Lady Darksea replied: [The only solution now lies in the Age of Immemorial]

"In other words, Gu Qing Shan and Boss are losing? Wait, can you send me over there?" Zhang Ying Hao asked.

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He took off his sunglasses and silently waited.

[My apologies, my powers aren't enough to send you] Lady Darksea answered.

As Zhang Ying Hao wanted to ask something else, he abruptly disappeared as well.

An increasing number of people around them were vanishing, in just a few dozen seconds, there were already less than ten people remaining in the entire world of the Spire.

“Do we really have no solution for any of this?” Anna asked.

[Indeed, we can only wait—- if Gu Qing Shan and Boss achieve victory, history will return to normal once more. But from the current situation, hope is dwindling] Lady Darksea replied.

“How could this be...” Kitty whispered.

She vanished as well.

The world gradually became dark.

Until only two people remained.

Anna.

Laura.

“Uwahh, big sis Anna, we're all going to die” Laura cried frightfully.

Anna embraced her.

Suddenly, there was no one in front of Laura.

Anna had disappeared as well.

The entire world fell into complete darkness.

The River of Time was no longer shining, it had also scattered into nothingness.

“Lady Darksea, are you still there?”

No answer.

It seemed that everything was over.

Laura’s hopeful eyes slowly became dim.

She stood alone in the darkness, sobbing to herself.

Suddenly, the purple length of rope on her wrist gave off a continuous bright glow.

“Are... you protecting me?”

She looked at the rope on her wrist and suddenly stopped crying.

She wiped the corners of her eyes, then closed her eyes to carefully feel the power in the rope.

Like the light of a candle, the rope's power was sheltering her.

However, what meaning was there to survive alone in an era where everything had already been destroyed?

Within the silent darkness, Laura's shaky voice could be heard:

"Gu Qing Shan, you need to win, you definitely have to win!"

...

Countless years ago.

On top of the ice crystal.

"Everything is all over now" Reneedol's expression was cold as she handed the Starlight Dagger to Clotho.

"Go, kill these two final unrestrained Deities"

[Yes]

Clotho's body became solid, received the dagger from Reneedol, then flew towards Gu Qing Shan and Boss.

Gu Qing Shan silently waited.

It was when the dagger was about to pierce his chest that he finally sighed.

A line of glowing text was blinking on the War God UI:

[The Fate Premonition technique in your hands had been examined following your request]

[Conclusion: this technique will not activate within a short period of time]

—*Lachesis had hidden the most powerful Divine Artifact of Fate in the future, but it had not activated, even now.*

What does this mean?

Could it be that according to the prediction of the Law of Fate, it still isn't the time to defeat Reneedol?

Gu Qing Shan's heart slowly sank.

But there was no more time.

"Shannu!" he suddenly shouted.

A palace maid dressed in blue suddenly appeared from the void of space.

She glanced at Clotho.

Numerous sword phantoms appeared from the void of space to intercept Clotho.

Clang clang clang clang clang—

Clotho was immediately sent flying back.

Divine Skill, [Forgetting River Severance]!

Shannu reached into the void of space to grab the Six Paths Great Mountain sword and pointed it forward.

Boom!!!

Sword phantoms as numerous as a torrent rushed towards Renedol and Atropos who was next to her.

But the two of them remained still.

A mass of black flames suddenly manifested and turned into Black Hound.

“Sleep! Sleep! Sleep!”

Black Hound barked towards the two of them among the wave of sword phantoms.

Renedol went blank for a split second.

Atropos was sent flying by the sword phantoms.

Right at this moment, another sword appeared from the void of space.

Oong oong oong!

It vibrated worriedly, then placed two opened cans of energy drinks in front of Gu Qing Shan and Boss.

Without missing a beat, the two of them accepted the cans and drank them both.

“Are you confident?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“Not at all” Boss stood up.

Another sword appeared from the void of space carrying two canned drinks.

They continued to drink it up in an instant.

“This is a matter of feelings. As you know, there’s no guarantee” Boss gloomily said.

“Tsk——”

Gu Qing Shan didn’t judge him and only spat out a single word.

Wielding a sword in each of his hands, he looked towards the torrent of sword phantoms.

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“Go help her!”

Gu Qing Shan waved his hand and sent the Chao Yin sword away.

In the sky, Shannu received the Chao Yin sword while she still wielded the Six Paths Great Mountain sword, then immediately exerted the full extent of her sword skills.

One sword was instantly clad in frost, the other was enveloped by flames.

Both swords were swung at once!

In an instant, the sky turned into a sea of fire.

Clotho who had just returned was enveloped by fire and ice.

——followed by the Mind Sword.

[Rahu’s Eclipse of Sun and Moon]!

A gigantic figure howled as it crossed through the void of space and instantly pierced through Clotho's body.

Without waiting for Clotho to react at all, a streak of light shot across the sky.

This strike was extremely fast, so much so that Clotho didn't even get a chance to resist it.

Shu---

The Earth sword wielded by Gu Qing Shan pierced through Clotho's chest.

Drifting sword images bloomed from within Clotho's body like a lotus of bloody swords.

Secret Art, [Drawn Shadow]!

Clotho was slashed to bits by countless sword images, scattered into the wind, and erased from existence.

"You think that matters?"

Another female voice sounded.

As the torrent of swords from earlier disappeared, Renedol and Atropos reappeared.

She lightly waved her hand.

The darkness around her gathered into the form of a woman.

Clotho

Clotho had reappeared by her side.

“Her fate lies in my hand, even if you kill her, I can easily grant her a new life” Reneedol stated without being disturbed at all.

Clotho stared straight at Shannu and said: “So it was you...”

Gu Qing Shan immediately shouted: “Shannu, return!”

Shannu entered the Six Paths Great Mountain sword and disappeared with the Chao Yin sword into the void of space, swiftly returning to Gu Qing Shan’s hand.

“Clotho, what do you mean by that?” Reneedol furrowed her brows and asked.

“She is Red Wraith, the one who killed me last time was her”

“Ah, that’s an insignificant detail now”

Reneedol appeared a bit bored.

The large dark featureless humanoid face behind her opened its mouth wide and uttered a resounding howl.

The snowstorm stopped.

An immense tremor resounded from the sky as if some sort of entity was ripping it apart.

Intense pressure arose from Reneedol’s body as if she was preparing something.

“Wait a minute, I have something to say” Gu Qing Shan said.

“Speak” Renedol replied.

“You’ve received all of Shroud’s power, the allegiance of the two Deities of Fate, their Divine Artifacts, and even control over the Apocalypse—— you’ve already obtained so much, why don’t we just part ways here?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“Part ways?” Renedol repeated.

“That’s right” Gu Qing Shan lowered his sword and seriously said: “I’ve always appreciated those who refuse to accept their Fate. For someone like you whose body had been taken over as soon as you were born, but still managed to fight against Fate and achieve greatness, I wouldn’t even try to consider using normal means—— what do you say we stop here? From now on, you’ll walk your own path, and we’ll walk ours”

While talking, he also glanced at Boss.

Following the normal history, Renedol cannot die.

Even without that, according to Lachesis’ foresight, it still isn’t time for Renedol to die.

——she would continue to survive even till my future.

In that case, history would retain its accuracy and course, nobody’s Fate would be altered.

Only then would the sixth Sealing Token appear, bringing Boss and I back to the future.

This is the best solution for now.

Renedol thought briefly and suddenly chuckled:

“Parting ways... it’s not impossible, but you would have to survive first”

“Survive?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

Renedol answered without much thought: "Of course, this entire world, as well as every other world, were manifested from Shroud's body. Do you think I would continue to live on his body?"

"Then what are you—?"

"I'll destroy this place, let the Apocalypses fill the void, then head outside the Reality Gate" Renedol casually replied.

She raised her hand, then looked down at her fingers and muttered: "I'm very interested in the Apocalypse— because of the two Deities of Fate, I've devoured the Apocalypse Seeker and obtained the power to communicate with the Apocalypse"

Following her voice, the sky broke in half.

A giant and ferocious face replaced the sky to observe everything below.

Renedol continued:

"After this world is buried, if you can survive, then you're free to survive— I won't directly act against you, you can continue to live until you're killed by one of the Apocalypses I summon"

Oong—

The void of space moved.

Numerous insects poured out from all sides.

They each had a human face while their bodies were beetle-like, with a pair of paper-thin transparent wings at their backs and razor-sharp teeth.

Gu Qing Shan had seen these insects before.

In the past, if it wasn't for the three Divine Artifacts of the Deities of Fate, the Lord of Infinite Origins would have already been defeated by this type of insect.

Renedol only spat out a single word:

“Go!”

All the insects' wings began rapidly flapping to make a buzzing noise as they all charged towards Gu Qing Shan's group.

Renedol stood with her hands behind her back while the two Deities of Fate stood by her side, her gaze no longer looking at the group in front of her.

She had fallen into thought, apparently thinking of how she would head towards the Reality Gate.

“It was most likely a mistake” Gu Qing Shan commented.

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“That's right, completely unlike what we had thought” Boss replied.

“If she's left alone like this, what will happen to the future?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“The future? If she's left to destroy everything, there wouldn't be any future, everything would be destroyed right here and now” Boss replied.

“Seems like there's no other way” Gu Qing Shan sighed and said.

“That's right, there really isn't” Boss agreed.

He raised his fist towards Gu Qing Shan.

Gu Qing Shan bumped against Boss' fist with his own.

Instantly, lines of glowing text appeared in front of Gu Qing Shan's eyes:

[Order has been reinforced]

[You've registered into Worlds Apocalypse Online – Human Regiment]

At the same time, a female voice called out:

[Long time no see, Gu Qing Shan. Welcome back to the Order, would you like to begin battling against the Apocalypse?]

Gu Qing Shan replied: "Lady Darksea, you may use all of my Soul Points, please immediately prepare for war"

[Very well. System message has been received, begin investigation of the environment, initiating the Order's retaliation measures] Lady Darksea replied.

A blue UI popped up in front of Gu Qing Shan's vision.

Lines of notifications quickly appeared on the UI:

[Considering the severity of the situation, the Order has forcefully initiated Summoning Mode to follow his grace Gu Qing Shan's past combat method. Technological-type has been chosen]

[Soul Points replenishment complete, preparation is complete]

[Initiating War— —-]

[Summon regiment!]

Pop! Pop! Pop! Pop! Pop! Pop!

Numerous popping noises rang out as innumerable metallic cubes fell in front of the two of them forming a formation.

The metallic cubes rapidly expanded into humanoid metal statues.

The first metal soldier appeared.

He opened his mouth wide and stood still.

At this time, the swarm of insects had rushed forward and practically enveloped the entire formation of soldiers.

An electronic voice rang out:

[Molecular vibrating blade, release]

The soldier spat out a black metal ellipsoid.

The metal ellipsoid spun as it flew into the middle of the insects and directly disappeared---

A particularly ferocious insect had swallowed it.

A second later.

An electronic noise rang out through the void of space.

The swarm of insects had been completely wiped out.

They were turned into bloody masses that filled the sky.

As they saw bloodshed, the insects in the back rushed forward at an even madder pace in an attempt to break through this technological line of defense.

But it was useless. Before the molecular vibration blade fully ran out of energy, it would not grow even a little bit weaker.

Through the collection of the insects' atoms and analyzing their resonance frequency, the blade had reproduced a rhythmic resonance that would directly destroy the insects' bodies.

With this to ease the situation, more metal soldiers appeared.

Hundreds of metallic soldiers stood in line, preparing for war.

Lady Darksea's voice could be heard:

[Resonance Blade efficiency reached 99.19%. Initiating transformation into Mobile Mechs to break encirclement]

The metallic soldiers stopped moving.

Their fluid-like metal bodies began to grow armor plates that tightly protected them, leaving only their shining electronic eyes.

[Coating complete]

[Molecular resonance blades prepared]

[Charge!]

All the Mechs charged into the sky towards the swarm of insects.

The war immediately entered an intense state!

Gu Qing Shan took a few steps back, used the Six Paths Great Mountain sword to cut the starlight rope binding Little Dusk's body, then handed her a canned drink.

He then approached the unconscious Scarlet and poured a healing drink into her mouth.

"Alcohol... give me alcohol..." Scarlet frowned and muttered.

Gu Qing Shan ignored her and continued pouring another canned drink into her mouth.

After that was all done, he noticed that Boss was still motionless.

Gu Qing Shan asked in surprise: "You can't depend on just me alone, where's your army?"

Boss appeared reminiscent and asked: "Perhaps you don't remember, but during the battle against the Soul Shrieker, I was reinforced by the archetype with the greatest growth potential"

Gu Qing Shan was a bit surprised, then quickly recalled.

— the template that Boss was given, if I remember correctly, was [Worlds Apocalypse Online – Foot Soldier]

Boss smiled and sighed: "Leave the face in the sky to me"

He took two steps forward before gradually running forward.

A black trident appeared from the void of space, which he grabbed.

Countless golden fragments spun around his body before attaching themselves to him and formed a suit of armor that exuded golden fog.

Boom—

Boss leapt into the sky towards the ferocious face in the sky.

Lines of text appeared in front of Gu Qing Shan's vision:

[Reporting, your grace. At this moment, Boss' template had evolved into its ultimate form, far surpassing any others reinforced by the Order]

"Oh? Can you tell me which template he's currently using?" Gu Qing Shan asked with interest.

Another line of text appeared:

[Worlds Apocalypse Online – King of War]

Reading this, Gu Qing Shan silently nodded.

In the sky, the sound of howling could be heard echoing the sky.

Chapter 1530

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Awoo!!!

Following the resounding howl from the sky, the ground trembled.

A golden glow appeared in the sky, occasionally crashing into the ferocious giant face as it drew a mass of blood from it.

Apparently unable to endure such attacks, the face that enveloped the sky fell directly to the ground.

After the face fell, its boundlessly gigantic body mixed with a faint destructive glow also descended to the ground.

Lines of glowing text quickly appeared:

[Apocalypse: Living World Disaster has descended]

[This Apocalypse is fully manifesting itself in order to conquer this frozen world]

The scene of the snowstorm that filled this world suddenly vanished.

Instantly, the ruins of countless cities, as well as a terrifying army of monsters and drifting poisonous mist appeared in everyone's visions.

Boss wielded his black trident with golden fog drifting around his body, gazing down upon the apocalyptic scenery.

“——It appears to have gotten much more difficult, will there be an issue?” Gu Qing Shan shouted from below.

Boss shook his head and scoffed: “It's nothing but a small matter”

“Don't act tough, there's been an issue every single time you've tried to brag” Gu Qing Shan seriously called out to him.

Boss' face twitched.

He then let go of the black trident and summoned a gloomy glow around his body.

“By my name, I bestow you the power to awaken. Gather and protect your king”

As Boss recited these words, he tossed the ring on his finger forward.

Boom!

The void of space around the ring fluctuated.

Countless monsters stood in formation, filling the sky.

All of these monsters were equipped with full suits of armor, their bodies were distorted and filled with an eerie power, faint grey mist drifted around their bodies without scattering.

They opened their eyes one by one and moved their bodies.

“Protect the king!”

“Protect the king!”

“Protect the king!”

The monsters roared.

As they awoke, the ashen aura they gave off gradually grew stronger, almost to the point of replacing the natural presence of this ruined city world.

This was the aura of the Eternal Abyss!

The innumerable Apocalyptic monsters unleashed various techniques that struck these monsters' bodies, only to give off a series of metallic clanking.

—each of these Abyssal monsters had an Abyssal form of their own, which contained immeasurable power, just like how Lin was.

“Eradicate them” Boss casually ordered.

“”Understood!”” the Abyssal monsters uttered a resounding roar before charging towards the apocalyptic ruins in formation.

Nothing was able to stop these monsters as they violently swept across the world.

Gu Qing Shan was surprised.

—while Boss no longer wields the power he had in the past, he had gained the reinforcement of [Order] and become the King of War.

Furthermore, he still carries so many Abyssal monsters with him as war servants.

Knowing what happened in the future, it seems he had always held a bit of wishful thinking in his heart.

But once things had reached this point, he had no choice but to discard those emotions and begin to fight.

Gu Qing Shan pulled back his gaze and looked forward.

The insects and [Human Regiment] were still fighting.

In the middle of the swarm of insects, Renedol looked up at Boss who was in the sky while standing under the protection of the two Deities of Fate.

Boss’ figure flashed as he descended from above, lightly hovering in front of the swarm of insects.

“Renedol”

He looked at her and spoke with a serious tone: “The pain and hardship you’ve suffered since birth resulted from the schemes of the three Deities of Fate and the Apocalypse. I’ve helped you conquer them just now”

“You accompanied me through numerous years, so I’ve gifted the power I possess to you so that you can protect yourself”

“—in reality, I’ve never thought about desiring anything from you”

“I’ve merely thought that we would remain together”

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Boss wryly smiled, then shook his head.

Reneedol silently listened.

After a long while, Boss spoke with difficulty:

“Our matter had been resolved; you should leave now”

Reneedol looked at him and muttered: “Fate granted me so much torture and suffering, do you believe that your high-and-mighty gift would be able to soothe it over?”

A terrifying presence rose from her body that blew the insects around her away, only the two Deities of Fate were able to barely remain still.

Boss appeared reminiscent and slowly replied: “I was born in darkness, suffering the pain of being endlessly torn apart within a boundless sea of blood. This existence continued for around 10,000 years, at which point my consciousness began to grow, and I began to ponder who I am”

“After another 800 years, I was able to obtain a bit of power and decided to begin searching for my identity, but the world I resided in was too great. Every step I took, I had to endure a different kind of suffering: being burnt, being torn, being pierced, being cut, being deprived, being starved, being skinned— a lot of times, the only thing I had left was the little bit of consciousness”

“After 1000 years of this, I gradually realized my identity”

“Indeed, I finally knew that I was the overseer of a seal, responsible for watching over the corpse of the [Eradicator of all things and all living beings] and prevent it from ever resurrecting”

“Through countless years, I would have to feel the same suffering as the corpse, because only then would this corpse be restrained”

“This life would have been unending and infinite, continuing until the end of eternity, as that was my Fate”

“However...”

“I resisted this Fate and began to absorb the power of this corpse”

“It was because of this that you see me standing in front of you right now, and also why I can sympathize with your experience, hoping to shelter you even more”

Reneedol was surprised to hear this.

Boss sincerely continued: “Fate is a kind of trend that accumulates through the progression of all living beings and all things, it brings us suffering, only to be overturned by our own hands. This is the gift we grant ourselves, as well as the most precious thing in our lives”

“As for the power I gifted you—— is actually isn’t a lot at all, you don’t have to worry about it”

“Reneedol, I truly didn’t want to scheme anything against you at all, I merely wanted to thank you for staying with me during my loneliest hours”

“I hope that you will fare excellently from now on”

Boss lowered his head, then slowly retreated: “Let us—— part our ways here”

He turned around in mid-air, propping the black trident on his shoulder and flew towards Gu Qing Shan with an expression of loss.

Reneedol stood still.

At this time, the two Deities of Fate exchanged glances, then hurriedly told Reneedol something.

“Wait!”

Reneedol called out.

“What is it?” Boss suddenly stopped.

“The two Deities of Fate said that there is still one more Divine Artifact of Fate, return it to them, and I’ll leave immediately” Reneedol said.

Boss sighed, then turned to the two Deities of Fate: “The situation was extremely dire during that time. The three Divine Artifacts of Fate were forged through me silently expending the essence of that corpse’s power, borrowing the hands of millions of Deities to complete. Each of them contains infinite power, you should already be satisfied with two of them”

Clotho and Atropos both appeared unwilling to accept and quickly whispered something into Reneedol’s ears.

Boss’ voice became cold and continued: “The Divine Artifacts of Fate depends greatly on their users—— their wielder will determine the power they are able to exert, even being greedy will not improve them in the slightest”

After saying that, he no longer turned around and flew back to Gu Qing Shan.

Gu Qing Shan patted his shoulder.

Boss shook his head without saying anything.

Suddenly, Reneedol declared again:

“The two Deities said that only by obtaining all three Divine Artifacts of Fate would I be able to protect myself and gain true freedom”

She reached her hand forward.

Boundless starlight gathered in her hand, manifesting as a Starlight Hammer that was several meters in length.

A boundless power was gathered on the hammer, causing the void of space around it to continuously crack.

“Hand over the third Divine Artifact, or else I will kill both of you right here”

Reneedol shouted.

Boss sighed and wanted to say something else, but Gu Qing Shan stopped him.

“Reneedol, it seems that you’ve been too busy resisting Fate that you’ve forgotten the most important thing” Gu Qing Shan said.

“What are you referring to?” Reneedol asked.

“The Deities of Fate arbitrarily took over your body without asking, that’s called stealing, which sullied their names as Deities” Gu Qing Shan replied.

Reneedol silently watched him and waited for his next words.

“While you’re here demanding something that belongs to someone else, that’s called robbing, which is even worse than what they did”

Gu Qing Shan looked straight at her and stated the simple truth: “I’ll be frank. All things have their spirits, even a pet dog knows how to repay someone with gratitude. But you vile snake of a woman, not only did you threaten someone who saved you, but you also wanted to take something that doesn’t belong to you, then threaten to kill them if they won’t give it to you——”

“You’re even less than a dog”