

## Apocalypse 491

### Chapter 491

The gates of the Justice Iron Fist Club swung open.

A group of people staggered outside.

A group of masculine men, even when their faces were completely swollen, the excited expressions they had couldn't be hidden.

"That really hurt, did you go all out with that last punch?" one of them clutched his stomach as he asked another.

"Of course, if I don't go all out, how would I beat you" the other answered.

"Did you use your powers?"

"Of course not! Barry's eyes are still razor sharp, I didn't use anything but raw strength for that one!" the man protested.

"Hm, then I lost fair and square" the one asking seemed satisfied.

"Let's go" one of them called out.

"Good fight today"

"Let's do it again next time"

"See you"

The men bumped their fists as a way of saying goodbye.

Then they all moved their bodies a bit.

Space itself was being broken through by them, forming black holes.

As they entered those holes, they all went in different directions before disappearing with a trace.

Seeing that, Gu Qing Shan's brows twitched.

*It was that simple for them to leave the Super Dimensional world?*

*They are able to go pass millions of worlds with just their bodies.*

*What kind of power do you need to be able to do that?*

While he was thinking, all the lights turned off inside the empty club.

A final man came out from the club.

He was wearing a leather jacket with a cigarette in his mouth and a black fedora on his head, just like the golden statues depicted.

Badleg Barry.

Gu Qing Shan couldn't help but look down at his lower half.

— — — *a pair of ripped jeans.*

*Phew, at least that part isn't the same.*

Badleg Barry was really cautious, stopping from afar.

"Kitty, who is that?" he asked.

"Not sure, but he's not a debtor" the girl called Kitty was still looking down on her manuscript and kept writing as she answered.

*Not a debtor.*

Hearing that, Barry became calm again, returning to his lazy demeanor.

"Is he flirting with you?" he casually asked.

"Stop with those rotten words, I'm not going to finish today's chapter on time" Kitty was still busy writing.

"Is that any way to talk to your big brother?" Barry complained.

Kitty's swinging tail stopped.

She put the pen down and looked up at Barry: "If I don't finish in time, where is the monthly royalty money going to come from? Without money, what are we going to eat?"

Barry stubbornly objected: "We can just eat space monsters"

"What? Randomly grab another one of them to eat?" Kitty coldly scoffed, "last time I was on the can for 3 days, you for 4 days, you still haven't had enough of that?"

Barry could only breathe out some cigarette smoke and begrudgingly look away.

Gu Qing Shan: "..."

The mysterious and dignified image he had of Super Dimensional worlds completely collapsed.

From the glowing adverts outside the building, this pair of brother and sister seems to owe a lot of money.

To the point that earning a daily meal was now a problem.

Barry stopped teasing his sister and turned to Gu Qing Shan: "A foreign young man... what business do you have at my place?"

"Are you Barry? Badleg Barry?" Gu Qing Shan asked to confirm.

"Of course, couldn't be any realer than this" Barry answered.

Gu Qing Shan then took the glittering transparent flower from his Inventory Bag.

"Xiao Die told me to bring this flower to you" Gu Qing Shan said.

Barry was shocked looking at the flower.

His eyes were focused on the flower as he went into remniscent.

“Xiao Die huh, I remember, it was that cry baby of a little girl”

Barry mumbled.

“At the time, her world was already thoroughly destroyed, I only barely managed to make it there to save her alone”

Barry casually threw the cigarette away, solemnly taking the flower with both hands.

This was his very rare serious side.

He lightly placed the flower under his nose and sniffed.

The flower then turned into a six-winged tiny girl wearing green pants and a glowing stick.

The girl was only as tall as an adult’s hand and looked very delicate.

She waved the stick at Barry while chanting a mystical incantation.

Hearing it, Gu Qing Shan instantly recognized it as the language of Pixies.

A rough translation would be: “May all malice be washed away by the torrent of black magic”

As the green pants girl finished her spell, she giggled at Barry and disappeared.

Barry seemed to become slightly more spirited.

He closed his eyes and carefully sensed himself.

“It was the real deal” he muttered in surprise.

Kitty had already stopped her hand and stared straight at this a while ago from her writing desk.

She asked in disbelief: “It was a real Pixie Crystal Flower?”

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“It was, I can feel my leg getting better, the hex of 8000 Daemons are dissipating, in just a few days I’ll be able to dispel it completely” Barry tried kicking a bit with his leg, clearly shocked as well.

As if he really couldn’t believe it either.

Suddenly, he threw a punch at the sky.

This was a silent punch.

But Gu Qing Shan could see space around it splitting in half, like a pair of curtains being slowly opened.

Actually, this was more comparable to the Gods of legends, using unimaginable power to split the never-ending sea in two.

Space itself had made way, as countless visions of worlds were stacked on top of each other, layer upon layer appearing above right before their eyes.

This punch had broken through the limit of space, making countless worlds in the space vortex show themselves.

“That is Green Drake world” Kitty pointed at one of the visions and said.

“And Dark Flame Prison” Barry pointed at another image that had just appeared.

“Look! It’s Angel Port! You managed to reach Angel Port again!” Kitty exclaimed excitedly.

“Not yet, that’s the Sage and Fool Strife world” Barry pointed at another image and said.

Kitty’s tears were rolling.

“Bro, you managed to reach the Strife Zone again!”

“You’ve finally recovered!”

“I did, who would’ve thought, Xiao Die managed to find me a real Pixie Crystal Flower” Barry was also emotional.

“I looked for so many years without being able to find the world of Pixies, how did a little girl like herself manage to do it?” Kitty was confused.

“Xiao Die is a scroll user, as well as a highly talented God’s Chosen, she might’ve had a rare encounter” Barry smiled and dismissed it.

He looked at Gu Qing Shan and sincerely spoke: “Thank you for delivering such a precious thing”

“No need, this is a favor I accepted from Xiao Die” Gu Qing Shan replied.

With the War God UI, of course he knew what this flower was.

A legendary wondrous item.

But from the very start, Gu Qing Shan only carefully put the flower away before taking it back out after meeting Barry.

Barry was confused: “Xiao Die sent you, then where is she? Why didn’t she go find me herself?”

Gu Qing Shan didn’t know how to answer that so he changed the subject: “Ah, right, she also wanted me to send you a message”

Barry made a listening expression.

“She said she hoped that everything is fine with you”

As soon as Gu Qing Shan finished, a bunch of scrolls jumped out from his body.

Under their three shocked expressions, the scrolls linked together to form a large portrait.

It depicted a cute little girl sitting on a swing eating sweets.

The girl seemed to sense something so she stood up from the swing and looked around.

But she saw nothing.

So the little girl appeared a bit anxious.

“What do we do with such a spell?” Barry turned to ask Kitty.

“We need to give her guidance to let her break through super dimensional space” Kitty quickly told him.

“Got it!”

Barry lightly flicked the scrolls.

Something seemed to have been broken by Barry.

The very next moment, the little girl managed to see Barry and Kitty.

She smiled joyfully as she greeted them.

“Uncle Barry, big sis Kitty, long time no see!” the young girl spoke.

“Ah, what excellent scroll prowess, Xiao Die you really grow up so quick. No wonder you were about to pick such a legendary flower” Kitty crossed her arms and commented.

Barry also nodded in understanding.

From just that, he could see that she was already vastly stronger from before, almost reaching his level at his peak.

“Uncle Barry, thank you for saving my life back then” Xiao Die sincerely thanked him.

“No need, no need” Barry raised one fist and smiled, “I only happened to save you. Really, I have to thank you for being able to find a Pixie Crystal Flower for me”

Xiao Die said nothing else and just looked at Barry.

Barry teasingly spoke: “How many years has it been, why are you still using the same appearance from back then? At least let me see how well you’ve grown up”

“I’m very ugly now” Xiao Die lowered her head.

Barry noticed something was off.

His voice became a bit more gentle, asking: “Did someone bully you? Come, tell uncle, uncle will catch the bad man”

“There isn’t” Xiao Die hurriedly smiled, “it’s that I had just given birth, I’m still in my recuperation stage so my appearance is a bit hard to look at”

Barry suddenly understood.

Human females do run into that kind of problem during after pregnancy.

He exchanged looks with Kitty and laughed.

“Our little girl had really grown, you even have a child of your own now”

“That’s right, time really does fly”

They were both joyfully sighing about it.

Xiao Die took the chance to glance at Gu Qing Shan, begging him with her eyes.

Gu Qing Shan understood what she wanted to say.

He lightly nodded.

Seeing that, Xiao Die smiled at him.

“Now or later, please don’t tell them the truth”

“Alright”

“Thank you”

This was their silent conversation.

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Gu Qing Shan accepted Xiao Die’s request, but felt a bit uneasy.

As he looked at Xiao Die, he noticed something was off.

Xiao Die was only happy because she finally got to meet Barry again.

They had both forgotten something.

Barry.

He was not such an easy person to fool.

Even if it was only a short exchange through glances, Barry’s sharp instinct still noticed.

He was a Combatant who had been through countless worlds, not even a grain of sand could escape his eyes.

“Hmm? Is something wrong?”

Barry asked.

He followed Xiao Die’s gaze and looked at Gu Qing Shan before looking back at Xiao Die.

*What are these two hiding?*

Barry felt uneasy.

Xiao Die seemed clearly distressed.

She was never someone who could hide her emotions well.

So her distressed expression was easily caught by Barry.

This time, even Kitty noticed her anxiety.

“There’s actually something she’s worried about, something very important”

Gu Qing Shan spoke up.

*No!*

*Don't tell them!*

Xiao Die kept her mouth shut, but was silently screaming inside at Gu Qing Shan, telling him not to say it.

Barry and Kitty both looked at Gu Qing Shan.

Gu Qing Shan didn't avert his gaze from Barry's at all.

Right in front of them, Gu Qing Shan tapped his Inventory Bag to take out a bottle of liquor.

—he remembered those golden statues well.

*While in his underwear and in a hurry to save a world, Barry still had a bottle of liquor in his hand. That's why this excuse won't be noticed.*

Glancing over Xiao Die's panicking expression, Gu Qing Shan showed Barry the bottle.

"Since this is an occasion to celebrate, Xiao Die also wanted me to bring you a bit of alcohol"

Gu Qing Shan explained: "Xiao Die was worried because she doesn't know what kind of liquor she should buy— and whether or not this will suit your taste"

He pointed at Xiao Die and smiled to Barry: "Just look, she's still a bit anxious, afraid that this might not be the kind you like to drink"

Barry was stunned for a few seconds.

As he looked at the bottle, his throat visibly gulped.

"Xiao Die is such a considerate girl to still remember that bro likes drinking"

For the first time, Kitty smiled: "It's indeed a rare occasion, having some booze would definitely be better"

"Ahahaha, Xiao Die, don't worry about the brand" Barry suddenly laughed out loud: "As long as it's booze, this Barry will definitely like it!"

As Xiao Die looked at Barry, she also smiled joyfully.

Gu Qing Shan took out a few glasses, pouring one each for Barry and Kitty.

"Give me one as well" Xiao Die said.

"That's right, give her a shot too, she's just turned 18 now" Barry commented.

"It's been over 1000 years, uncle Barry, you kept refusing to give me liquor back then" Xiao Die angrily protested.

Barry was laughing as he knocked glasses with her.

Kitty also raised her own glass, gesturing to Gu Qing Shan: "To be able to bring such a precious thing here, you must've been through quite a bit"

“It’s nothing much” Gu Qing Shan also raised his own glass.

“Big sis Kitty, thank you for your care back then” Xiao Die turned to Kitty, asking for a toast.

“I still remember spanking you back then” Kitty smiled.

“That’s because I was naughty and ripped your manuscript” Xiao Die giggled.

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As they drank, they talked about the old days.

Everyone was in high spirits.

Together with their conversation, the liquor was also being consumed at a fast pace.

After an untold amount of time, a beautiful glow of light started to shine.

Gu Qing Shan looked over.

Xiao Die’s figure was becoming transparent.

Her spell was about to end.

Xiao Die looked down at her body and regretfully put the shot glass down.

She nodded to Gu Qing Shan.

“Thank you, this is something to show my gratitude for helping me” she said.

Following her words, a scroll lightly fluttered in front of Gu Qing Shan.

“Ah? There’s no need to be so formal” Gu Qing Shan hurriedly said.

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Before, Xiao Die had already helped him once, in exchange, he would bring the Pixie Crystal Flower to Barry in place of Xiao Die.

That was the agreed deal.

Suddenly, a female voice answered in Gu Qing Shan’s mind.

『 No, I really must thank you, for making the last time that I see him end in him being happy. For me, this was the perfect outcome 』

“You really care deeply about him huh?”

『 He is a fighter, a man who never stays down even if he gets beaten down. I can’t let him know I’ve become a demon, it would’ve been too much of a shock to him, possibly drowning him in sorrow 』

Gu Qing Shan listened to her words with a serious expression.

Xiao Die raised her glass, looking at Gu Qing Shan.

“One final time, let us also make a toast” she smiled .



“Very well”

Gu Qing Shan emptied his glass and couldn't help but be a bit meddlesome.

He sent his voice: “Hey, I have something I want to say to you”

Xiao Die lightly sipped her liquor listening to him.

Gu Qing Shan continued: “Some people emphasize background, race, they emphasize the origins of others, even looking deep into what kind of education they've been through. Perhaps these factors are all very important, but Xiao Die, do you know what I think? I think that a person who still holds gratitude towards another at the moment of a world's destruction couldn't possibly be a real demon”

“I hope that one day, you will be able to face him and tell him yourself, regardless of what you've become, your heart was and is still the same, and you are always that little girl that he once saved”

Xiao Die went silent for a bit, finishing her drink in one breath.

“Thank you”

She curtly said, waving her hand to put the scroll away.

Instead, she walked in front of Gu Qing Shan and lightly put her hand on his chest.

A dim dark light turned into a unique insignia that melted into Gu Qing Shan's body.

“A small gift”

She said as she returned.

A few lines of text appeared on the War God UI.

[You've received a mysterious link]

[This link will not bring you a direct increase in power, it will only provide you help once, at a certain crucial point in time]

Gu Qing Shan silently felt it.

Nothing seemed off, but he could faintly feel a bond in his mind.

This was something he still couldn't fully grasp.

Xiao Die looked at Barry and solemnly bowed.

“Uncle Barry, I can't stay any longer, I need to leave now” she lightly said.

“Hm, bring your child next time, my place will always welcome you”

Barry gently stroke her head.

Xiao Die smiled brightly at Barry.

The light that formed her body collapsed, turning into tiny sprites of light that scattered to the wind.

The farewell was over.

Xiao Die had disappeared.

Whether it was the past, present, or future, that cute little girl could no longer return.

And the truth of this was known to Gu Qing Shan alone.

He will keep it an eternal secret.

Until a certain day.

Barry just stood there, still smiling and reminiscing about the past.

He didn't know what Xiao Die had gone through.

At this time, he only felt a sense of joy from seeing an old acquaintance.

"You know, at the time, she was only 10 years old. Both her parents were dead, and she was the only person who was saved from that dying world"

He told Gu Qing Shan.

"She cried for several days, a real headache, I tell you. It took a lot of effort to finally get her to stop"

Barry excitedly continued as he patted Gu Qing Shan on the back.

Kitty also smiled: "Just look at her now, in just the blink of an eye, that little girl had already become an excellent scroll user, and she even had her own child!"

"I'm also quite shocked!" Barry agreed.

Gu Qing Shan said nothing.

From the very beginning, Gu Qing Shan didn't interrupt Xiao Die and Barry's reunion.

And right now, the War God UI showed that he only had 7 minutes left.

The last 7 minutes.

If Gu Qing Shan was unable to stay here, his Quest would fail.

But after finishing his drink, Gu Qing Shan only poured himself another glass.

He raised the glass and told the two of them: "Come, it's a joyful occasion, this one is on me"

### **Chapter 493: Still hasn't found supper**

Xiao Die had left.

In front of the Justice Iron Fist Club, the three people were still drinking.

On the table, Kitty's note and pens were all put away, replaced by a few drinking snacks.

Barry, Kitty and Gu Qing Shan sat around the table.

Gu Qing Shan checked the time.

Six and a half minutes left.

“Lookie here, you actually prepared some snacks as well” Barry was surprised.

He took one of the plates and put it all in his mouth.

The plate was empty.

“Drinking snacks huh, seems like you’re someone who knows how to enjoy himself” Kitty agreed.

She also took one of the plates and poured it down her mouth.

This plate was empty too.

Seeing that, Gu Qing Shan felt a bit of cold sweat running down.

——how long have these two been hungry?

Barry took another sip of liquor.

He looked at Gu Qing Shan with a serious expression.

“Young man... if it weren’t for the Keeper Association’s ship, you wouldn’t have been able to make it here at all—— what do you do in the infinite worlds?” Barry scowled and asked.

Even though Gu Qing Shan’s strength was hidden by the effects of a scroll, Barry still easily managed to see through the scroll’s protection with his sharp eyes and discern Gu Qing Shan’s true level of power.

“Let me reintroduce myself, I’m Gu Qing Shan, a barista” Gu Qing Shan answered.

He still remembered Barry’s golden statues.

Barry’s eyes lit up, but purposefully scorned: “A barista? I don’t believe it—— you care to give it a try? I’ll have you know, not just anyone can call themselves a barista”

Gu Qing Shan tapped his Inventory Bag and took out a wide variety of liquors, mixing a glass of cocktail with his highest standard.

“Go ahead” he offered the glass.

Barry and Kitty exchanged glances.

This guy’s mixing was so skillful that he managed to make a cocktail through randomly shuffling some bottles around.

And the cocktail itself—— the different alcohols were clearly separated into layers in the glass, with distinctly different colors.

This is a professional level of mixing.

“What a pretty cocktail, let me try...”

Kitty reached her hand out, wanting to take the glass.

Barry instantly swiped the glass, turned around and drank it all while shielding it from Kitty.

“Bro! This was clearly a woman’s cocktail from its appearance” Kitty angrily pounded his back in protest.

She wasn't holding back either, hitting Barry so hard he almost spat it back out.

But he endured it and swallowed.

"Hoh——" Barry sighed deeply.

What a strong drink.

Seeing Kitty's irritated expression, Gu Qing Shan quickly made one for her as well

After Kitty finished her drink as well, Gu Qing Shan asked: "How was it?"

"So so"

"Barely good enough"

The pair of brother and sister clicked their tongues, pretending to comment on it.

"Who would've thought, you really were a barista" Kitty turned to him and spoke.

"Mixing is only a hobby, my real job is actually cooking" Gu Qing Shan replied.

The brother and sister exchanged looks again.

They instantly understood the look in each other's eyes.

"Young man, you're quite the lucky one" Barry proudly said.

"I'm lucky?" Gu Qing Shan was stunned.

"You know the saying 'different people have different tastes'? This is especially true for the cuisine of different worlds. Cooks like you find it really hard to make a living, catering to people of various worlds. But me, I'm a gourmand, a professional responsible for ranking and evaluating the quality of foods" Barry crossed his arms and declared.

"That's right, you can try taking out some of your work here, we'll help you evaluate them, for free" Kitty added.

Gu Qing Shan was speechless.

—"different people have different tastes" my ass. I've also been through a few worlds, even if human taste buds differ from place to place, there's no real difference when it comes to true gourmet food. You pair of brother and sister bounce the ball back and forth between yourselves, do you really think I'm stupid?

Gu Qing Shan glanced over the War God UI.

He checked the time.

3 minutes left.

Not enough to cook.

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"Do you have some sort of specialty?" Kitty silently swallowed her saliva and asked solemnly.

Gu Qing Shan just took out two portions of spirit cooking.

These were spirit cooking carefully made by Qin Xiao Lou through one entire day and night, he spent a lot of effort on these cooking.

It was the beginning of the war at that time, Qin Xiao Lou said that he made these in anticipation for Gu Qing Shan's birthday and if everyone in the sect wasn't able to gather, he could eat these to celebrate.

While he was a master of all 6 arts, Qin Xiao Lou's forte was cooking, so no matter how busy everyone in Bai Hua sect got, none of them would ever miss a meal.

So in a sense, these were the highest quality spirit cooking that Gu Qing Shan was able to produce at this point in time.

Barry and Kitty stared closely at the two portions of spirit cooking, their eyes keen, almost like a couple of starving wolves.

"Please try it"

Gu Qing Shan offered them the spirit cooking.

Barry took up a fork, solemnly saying: "I've been through over a hundred billion worlds, my taste buds are known to be incredibly refined. Seeing how this is our first meeting, I'll be happy to evaluate your cooking for free"

Kitty also nodded.

...then I suppose I should say 'thank you', Gu Qing Shan silently retorted.

Barry just took the entire plate and started wolfing it down.

Kitty's eating manners were much more graceful this time around, but the amount of food in her plate was disappearing just as fast as Barry's.

It seems they really haven't eaten anything for a long time.

Seeing this, Gu Qing Shan tried asking Barry: "With your strength, wouldn't taking up a few jobs or favors for payment be really simple? Why does it seem like you owe a lot of money?"

Kitty suddenly looked up.

She seriously explained: "For the past few years, bro's leg wound had been getting worse and worse, so he can't leave this place"

Gu Qing Shan wondered: "You guys saved so many worlds already, couldn't you at least go out for a meal?"

"It's very hard, bro has too many mortal enemies so it's dangerous for him to leave" Kitty explained.

Barry nodded in agreement: "Right! There's quite a few insane bastards out there that are really strong, only me at my peak would be able to win against them"

He then patted his leg, smiling: "Fortunately, thanks to the Pixie Crystal Flower, I only need to rest well for a bit and I'll fully recover."

Kitty was also really happy about that, excitedly shouting: "Badleg Barry will no longer have a bag leg!"

Gu Qing Shan nodded, telling them: "Got it, do finish your food"

The two of them went back to wolfing down the food.

Only after they licked the plates sparkly clean that Gu Qing Shan asked: "How was it?"

"So so"

"Barely good enough"

The two of them put the plates down, commenting while clicking their tongues.

It tastes good, but there's not enough.

After being hungry for so long, that much isn't nearly enough.

—can we get another portion?

The brother and sister exchanged glances again, instantly understanding the look in each other's eyes.

They started to think of a way into getting Gu Qing Shan to take out some more food.

Gu Qing Shan glanced at the remaining time on the War God UI.

40 seconds left.

"Alright, it's time for me to say goodbye" Gu Qing Shan stood up to leave.

"Where are you going?" Barry couldn't help but ask.

"Drifting about the infinite worlds"

"Drifting about? With your current strength, you'll be killed in no time" Barry sarcastically said.

"I can't help it, can I? I like to mix drinks and to make food, so I'll need to travel from place to place, seeing the different worlds' ingredients" Gu Qing Shan said without turning around.

Barry scowled and fell into thought.

"Bro, we still haven't found supper" Kitty silently told him.

"But we owe too much money, letting him join the club will only be bad for him" Barry replied in a low voice.

"Let him stay for a day, he won't be counted as one of us, so the debtors won't be able to say anything" Kitty said.

Him staying here one more day means there'll be more delicious food to eat.

—and good booze.

Barry didn't hesitate anymore.

"Wait a minute" he called out.

Gu Qing Shan acted like he didn't hear it and kept walking forward.

6 seconds.

Seeing Gu Qing Shan's quickening steps, Kitty pulled hard on Barry's shirt.

Barry hurriedly shouted: "Hey, you can stay here for a day to rest, it won't be too late to leave tomorrow!"

The timer reaches 0.

Lines of glowing text showed up on the War God UI.

[You've received permission to remain in a Super Dimensional world]

[You've completed the Destiny Quest]

[You've received the Destiny Quest reward: A secret]

[This secret can be checked at any time, please talk with the System at an appropriate time]

#### **Chapter 494: Ironfist Barry**

Gu Qing Shan glanced over the War God UI.

He finished reading through the notifications but didn't talk to the System right away.

Because some light had begun to appear around his body, the light seemed to be ejecting him through the void of space.

An inexplicable sense of rejection surrounded Gu Qing Shan.

Briefly sensing it, Gu Qing Shan found that this was a pushing force that came from the world itself.

The amount of time he was allowed to stay was up, so the Super Dimensional world was preparing to eject him.

The 1 hour he had was given by Xiao Die.

Otherwise, he wouldn't have been able to enter this Super Dimensional world in the first place.

While surrounded by this light, Gu Qing Shan casually turned around.

He looked to Barry and asked: "You mean, I can stay here to rest for a day?"

"Of course young man, this place of mine is quite spacious, you'll be able to rest up for a day no problem"

Seeing the light around Gu Qing Shan, Barry didn't even wait for him to accept and just gestured to Kitty.

Kitty's figure flashed before appearing in front of Gu Qing Shan.

A wondrous wave of power surged upward from the ground, fusing together with her.

"Justice Iron Fist Club"

"Beacon determined, allow this person to remain for a day"

While chanting that, Kitty patted Gu Qing Shan on his shoulder.

Gu Qing Shan stood still, but the light surrounding him went away.

The feeling of rejection from the world disappeared.

He remained.

Gu Qing Shan clasped his fist: "It has been a long way to get here, I'm grateful to the two of you for lending me a place to rest"

"Don't mind it, this Barry has always been willing to provide others a little bit of convenience" Barry patted his chest and said.

"You came here to deliver something, but we can't just shoo you away after taking it, that's not how we are" Kitty said.

"That's right"

Barry also nodded next to her.

—-we let you stay here for a day out of hospitality and the kindness of our hearts, and not for any other reasons.

Yep, that's right.

Gu Qing Shan then said: "As thanks for letting me stay, I've decided to treat you two to a delicious dinner"

"Come on now, you're a guest, how can we trouble you so"

"Yes, it should be us treating you"

The brother and sister both spoke sincerely.

Seeing their anxious expression Gu Qing Shan silently retorted in his mind.

—-you'll treat me? To what, the wind?

He then smiled: "Then how about you help me with something? As thanks, I'll make you a meal"

The brother and sister became a bit cautious.

As experienced as they were, this scene couldn't be any more familiar.

Even the mindless space monsters aren't going to be lured by a simple meal.

So people like them would definitely not fall for such a thing!

"What do you want us to help with?" Kitty smiled and asked with eyes that weren't smiling.

"Finish a full table of food—- to a cook, the thing they can be proudest about is someone finishing their full course without leaving anything behind" Gu Qing Shan casually said.

He had already taken pots, pans and other utensils from this Inventory Bag and was thinking of what kind of dish to prepare.

"That is..." Kitty found that a bit unexpected, muttering.



“Alright, then we won’t hold back, truthfully said, we can’t really cook at all”

Barry smiled and told him.

After preparing everything, Gu Qing Shan briefly had a thought, reached into his Inventory Bag and took out a jade tag.

A few lines of text showed up on the War God UI.

[Discovered Bai Hua sect spirit cooking complete manual]

[To fully comprehend the techniques inside, you need to consume 200 Soul Points]

200 Soul Points wasn’t a lot.

Gu Qing Shan checked his remaining Soul Points.

From before, to deal with Rakshasa’s [Mystery of All Things Equal], he transformed into various creatures one after another, finally achieving victory.

In that battle, he spent a total of 6900 Soul Points.

Accounting other miscellaneous expenditures as well, Gu Qing Shan now had about 1300 left.

“I’ll use 200 Soul Points to learn the techniques” Gu Qing Shan spoke.

[Soul Points received, remaining Soul Points: 1100/400]

[Comprehending techniques]

A warm flow came from the jade tag into Gu Qing Shan’s hand, settling at his Thought Sea.

Immediately, Gu Qing Shan knew every spirit cooking technique and skill compiled by Bai Hua sect, and it only took 1 brief second.

Gu Qing Shan was originally talented with cooking and brewing, otherwise he couldn’t have become the owner of a thriving grilled food stall, earning enough tuition to pay for three years in an aristocratic high school.

With the new techniques he just learnt, he became even more of an expert.

Gu Qing Shan quickly and skillfully prepared the cooking ingredients.

With a single chef’s knife, he managed to peel the skin of all the vegetables, dicing them neatly and orderly arranged them in a salad bowl.

Following that, he cooked chicken perfectly baked in tin foil over an open fire.

While wearing gloves, Gu Qing Shan quickly shredded the chicken meat by hand into bite-size pieces, mixed a small portion of secret ingredient condiment to go with the chicken and served it on the table.

Next was noodles.

Gu Qing Shan mixed, kneaded, rolled out and stretched the dough from scratch with a bread roller before cooking it once in boiling water. He then sprinkled a bit of rare spirit spring water on top to soak, divided it into three portions with garlic, chili pepper, spring onions, a bit of pickled vegetables as

garnish.

...

Fully immersed in this work, Gu Qing Shan quickly made a full course of spirit cooking.

Kitty silently nodded as she watched.

“Without a long time of experience working in a kitchen, his movement wouldn’t be that skillful and fluid” she muttered in a low voice to Barry.

“I’m hungry...” Barry muttered back.

The scent of food filled the air.

The pair of brother and sister moved a table and chair over, set the table neatly before sitting down, full of anticipation.

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“Bro, how long have you been hungry for?” Kitty suddenly asked.

“A month and 7 days, aren’t you the same?” Barry asked.

“Ah, I’m only hungry for 21 days” Kitty replied.

“That can’t be right, I remembered we both ran out of food at the same time” Barry questioned.

“I had a few snacks hidden away” Kitty answered.

While they talked, Gu Qing Shan plated up the food on the table.

He also picked out a few liquors, didn’t mix them much and only threw them together to fit his taste.

A rich full course dinner with 7 dishes and delicious alcohol was served.

The three of them had a toast.

“Thank you for having me” Gu Qing Shan said.

“No need, no need, thank you for this wonderful meal” Barry replied.

“Feel free to dig in, after dinner, I’ll prepare some sweets as well” Gu Qing Shan said.

“Alright, then I won’t hold back”

Barry and Kitty quickly forgot everything else but the food.

They quickly gorged it down like it was their last supper.

“Delicious, delicious!” Barry praised.

Kitty looked at Gu Qing Shan: “We were wrong before, with cooking skills like these, you’ll be able to make it in any world without a problem”

“About that, there are a few demons too strong for me, can’t pass them” Gu Qing Shan directly admitted.

Kitty smiled in understanding.

Seeing how up front he was without minding himself being weak, she felt easy talking to him.

Dinner was over.

The brother and sister were still a bit unsatisfied.

“It’s been so long since we last had such a good meal” Barry sighed as he patted his bloated stomach.

Kitty on the other hand was attracted by something as her eyes were staring at a certain direction of space.

“What is it?” Barry asked.

“I feel something quite strong currently heading through the World Layers on our left”

“Are they debtors? Just lock the spatial coordinates and don’t let them in like always” Barry spoke absentmindedly.

Kitty kept staring at space for a while before laughing.

“Not debtors, this time it’s a famous Purgatory devil, it had already destroyed over 3000 civilized worlds, currently heading into the World Layer zone connected to the club” she said.

“Hah? Where did such good fortune come from? Does it not know me?” Barry was intrigued.

“Maybe it doesn’t, or maybe it’s because there’s a group of people chasing after it”

“It’s likely to just be running amok randomly”

“Decide quickly, in that devil’s path is a world of an old friend of ours” Kitty urged him.

Barry bumped his fists together, saying: “Nothing to think about, I had a good meal and I can feel my strength recovering— just in time for some after-meal exercise”

Seeing this attitude, Kitty took out a note and began to write something on it.

Her writing speed was impressive, but she was muttering something as she wrote.

“Came from the 5th layer of Purgatory”

“Devious, sly and evil”

“Red skin, long ears, a fake eye, large body”

“Likes using weapons to fight, Purgatory Magic already reached Grandmaster level”

“Most powerful ability is— hiding and assassination”

“Known in the infinite worlds by the nickname: Terminator”

As she wrote that, the paper began to shine.

“Done!” Kitty called out.

“Put him into the club” as Barry said that, he turned and ran into the club.

Kitty quickly wrote one final line onto the paper.

“This Devil came to the Justice Iron Fist club!”

Bang!

The paper exploded before disappearing without a trace.

At the same time, a loud crash could be heard from inside the club.

After the crash, a chilling cruel voice howled: “Damn it, what is this place? Who are you?”

Barry’s arrogant voice rang out: “Insect, listen well, I am the Iron Fist of Justice, Barry!”

“Barry? Which Barry?”

“Seems like you don’t know me”

“You mental? I’m leaving, quietly stay there and don’t mess with me”

“Hang on, hang on, wait a minute”

“What?”

“We’re going to get to know each other”

—pow!!

Rumble rumble rumble!

Wave after wave of intense impact rang out from inside the club.

Despite all that, the club building itself was completely unharmed, not even a single brick was cracked or dislodged.

Gu Qing Shan tried listening.

The fighting was getting more and more intense, and it didn’t seem like it was going to end any time soon.

Gu Qing Shan couldn’t help but ask: “This devil... do you know how strong it is?”

“We’ll know when that fight is over”

Kitty was holding her bowl again, eating while answering him.

The food today was so good, I keep wanting seconds!

Gu Qing Shan wiped the cold sweat off his head and asked again: “Aren’t you afraid that the devil will be too strong and could threaten Barry’s life?”

Kitty absentmindedly answered: “He can’t die during a fight. And I have the club’s spatial beacon, so I can throw that devil into any of the surrounding 300 million World Layers at any time”

Gu Qing Shan: “...”

**Chapter 495: The System’s new function**

As he heard Kitty's explanation, Gu Qing Shan understood their intention.

If you think about it carefully, with both of their powers, survival can at least be ensured.

Even more important than that was the existence of this Super Dimensional world itself.

If it weren't for this Super Dimensional world, there would be quite a few things that could go wrong in their plan.

After Barry was wounded and became weaker, he could hide in this Super Dimensional world and not leave.

It seems no one managed to do anything about that.

If you look at it that way, a Super Dimensional world would be similar to a safe room.

While Gu Qing Shan was thinking, he remembered something important.

"I sincerely need to ask something" he clasped his fist and said.

"Go ahead"

Kitty answered without looking up as she was peeling another spicy boiled crawfish.

Gu Qing Shan asked: "Excuse me for asking, but how do you divide levels of strength in the 900 million World Layers?"

"How to divide them?"

Kitty licked the spicy sauce on her lip and replied: "First you have to understand— — there are 900 million World Layers, so the amount of strange, weird and unusual powers and species is so large, that even the Spire Keeper Association can only compile a language dictionary without being able to record all known characteristics of different abilities"

"Even they can't do that?"

"That's right. They once spent 100 years to record in detail the course of growth and final form of a few ten thousand kinds of powers that was known at the time, then they gave up"

"Why?"

"Because they found out during their process of recording that there were already several generations of new Combatants, in whom new powers were developing and growing, totaling to an astronomical amount"

"...it's true that they wouldn't be able to finish recording them no matter how long it takes" Gu Qing Shan sighed.

"There's another, slightly more important reason"

"Which is?"

Kitty wiped her mouth and continued to explain: "Let's say we have three Combatant, A can destroy a planet with one punch, with his strength, he's able to counter B's spells and magic, can you imagine this?"

"I can"

"Good, then B is countered by A, but B can easily overpower C's God's Chosen Skill. But C isn't afraid of A's attacks— because C's God's Chosen Skill counters A's martial arts and physical skills"

"These three can win against one person, while being countered by the other"

"Tell me, how do you think we should divide their levels of strength?"

This question stumped Gu Qing Shan.

He thought for a bit, but wasn't able to come up with a good way to categorize them.

Kitty continued: "Please, this isn't a fantasy novel, it's reality we're talking about here, there are a few abilities so out of this world that even those at the Spire Keeper Association haven't seen before. That's why, for most people there's only one good way to divide levels of strength"

"What is it then?"

"Can defeat or cannot defeat"

"...that's quite the simple way of putting it"

"That's why most of the time, you need to depend on your own battle sense and experience, together with your wits to know the opponent's true strength"

While saying that, Kitty took out her notebook and scribbled a few things on it.

"But that reminds me, in reality we can only use experience to tell who is stronger, but a novel does need a scale of power, that way readers won't be confused"

"..." Gu Qing Shan.

Seeing the look on his face, Kitty couldn't help but laugh.

"I'm kidding"

Her tail was slowly wagging behind her, it seems she enjoyed teasing him just now.

"The situation I explained just now only counts when the difference in power between two sides weren't too great"

"Normally, we have a simple standard to measure if someone is strong or not"

"What standard is that?" Gu Qing Shan asked.

"Freedom"

"How is that calculated?"

“A Super Dimensional world connects to infinite worlds, you need to be able to stand in a Super Dimensional world and break through space in a single attack to make the infinite worlds reveal themselves before you, only then can you call yourself a Combatant”

“Can you be a bit more specific?”

Kitty smiled: “There’s no need for you to remember so much right now. I can sense a sharp feeling of sword qi around you, once you’re able to slash space apart while you’re in this world and make at least 1 world reveal itself, you’ll barely qualify as a Combatant”

“When that time comes, I’ll tell you the specifics”

Gu Qing Shan inhaled deeply, saying: “Alright, I’ll try my best”

At this time, screams began to come out from the club.

Sometimes it was the Devil’s screams.

Sometimes it was Barry’s

But near the end, only the Devil’s screaming could be heard.

“Stop, don’t hit me anymore, I surrender” the Devil loudly begged for forgiveness.

“Bullshit! You can’t fool me, I can clearly see you still have a dagger of destruction hidden in the crotch of your pants, why not take it? You looking down on me?” Barry’s voice came, scoffing.

“Die!” the Devil suddenly shouted.

“Come at me!” Barry excitedly said.

Another round of battle started.

Kitty felt like talking more so she asked Gu Qing Shan: “Which world did you come from?”

“A Scattered world”

“Scattered world!? It’s quite a miracle for you to have made it here”

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“I also felt it was a miracle”

“Then after tomorrow, where are you heading?”

“I still haven’t thought of that”

Kitty’s tail waved from side to side.

She could tell he was telling the truth.

This made her impression of him a bit better.

“Unfortunately, the most we could let you stay is one day” she sighed.

“Why is that?”

“Because if someone stays here for an extended period of time, they’ll be found out by our debtors and taken away”

“Taking me?”

“Yeah, they’ll recognize you as a member of the club”

“Since they can’t beat me or bro, they’ll catch and force you to work for them to pay back our debt”

“That can’t be good”

“That’s why tomorrow, when time’s up, you have no choice but to leave” Kitty sighed regretfully.

“Haven’t you thought of a way to pay back your debt?”

“Before bro’s wounds are fully healed, we could only stay here”

Kitty sighed: “That’s why we still need to rely on what little book royalty I can earn to pay for food”

She dejectedly lowered her head and continued with her manuscript.

Gu Qing Shan looked at her from the side.

On one side was the Devil’s screaming, the other was Kitty focused on her writing.

So right now, Gu Qing Shan had a bit of free time.

Gu Qing Shan’s gaze then turned to the War God UI.

“System, now you can tell me the secret”

[Ting]!

The System let out a chime in response.

[The System holds many secrets]

[Your Destiny Quest reward had been used]

[Please listen carefully and make a choice]

[If you want to return to your world, this secret will be related to your original world]

[If you want to take this chance to remain here and get stronger, this secret will be related to a rumor]

[Please choose]

Hearing that, Gu Qing Shan scowled.

Whatever secret the original world has can wait until I return.

The most important thing right now—— is for me to become stronger!

“No doubt about it, I want to become stronger”

Gu Qing Shan answered.

As soon as he finished, lines of glowing text appeared on the War God UI.

[You’ve chosen to remain here]

[The System will tell you a secret to get stronger]

[Please listen carefully]



Seeing how solemn the System was about it, Gu Qing Shan nodded to express confirmation.

Lines of text began to show up on the War God UI.

[Call of the Bramble Birds]

[This is an ancient rumor]

[Among the 900 million World Layers, there are a group of World Layers were all living beings yearn for]

[These World Layers exist at the innermost locations of the Outer Plane, collectively known as Mystic Zones]

[The Bramble Birds are one such unique creature of the Mystic Zones. They like to hide a few of their favorite and most precious worlds within their wings]

[Whenever a Bramble Bird runs into trouble, it will leave the Mystic Zones and call out to all 900 million World Layers]

[Because it can't trust Combatants that are too powerful, the Bramble Birds only extend their calls to young people to come to it and help solve such troubles]

[Once the Bramble Bird's troubles had been solved, it will give out some of the precious treasures it kept to the young people that helped it]

Reading through all this, Gu Qing Shan silently sighed: "Such a mystical thing actually happens in the infinite world, what an eye-opener"

When he was about to avert his gaze from the War God UI, another line of text popped up.

[Now I will tell you the secret you've received]

Gu Qing Shan was surprised: "That thing with the Bramble Bird just now wasn't the secret?"

[It is common knowledge among Super Dimensional worlds]

"Alright, then that is the secret?"

[How to activate the new War God function]

Gu Qing Shan was stunned.

A new War God function?

He looked downward from the War God UI.

The UI itself was blue, but there was a row of buttons below it.

These buttons looked like blackholes, where black mist occasionally drifted out from.

The first three functions: [War God Skills], [War God Thaumaturgy] and [War God Title] have all been unlocked.

They were all extremely practical abilities.

Like [War God Title] for example, before every battle, Gu Qing Shan would quickly select the appropriate title to use.

Back in the Suspended world, Gu Qing Shan had been constantly using the title [You Ji General].

Because an extra 15% attack speed was terrifying in the hands of a sword cultivator.

That speed was used largely to make up for his disadvantage of not having high enough cultivation.

And then there was [War God Skills]— without this function, Gu Qing Shan wouldn't have been able to learn a few of his most important skills as fast as he did, or at all.

[War God Thaumaturgy] ensured that he would always be able to get a thaumaturgy whenever he had the chance to— provided that he completed a few arduous Quests.

But just look at [Shadow Shift] and [Severance], were any of them lacking compared to what he had to do?

— I definitely have to unlock the new War God function!

Gu Qing Shan immediately decided and spoke: "How should I unlock the new War God function?"

[Ting]!

The System responded: [You must remain at the Super Dimensional world and accept the call of the Bramble Birds]

#### **Chapter 496: Excessive amount of Soul Points**

"You mean, if I want to unlock the new function of the War God System, I need to accept the call of the Bramble Birds?" Gu Qing Shan asked.

[Correct] the System answered.

"That's great" Gu Qing Shan smiled, "not only will I get treasures from helping the Bramble Birds, I'll also become stronger, it's a win-win"

[Incorrect] the System replied.

"What is?"

[Bramble Birds are an extraordinary mystical creature, the worlds and items precious enough to be kept by it are also extraordinary]

[When such precious worlds run into any problems, the Bramble Bird would always choose to deal with it alone before anything else]

[If it doesn't do that and instead call for outside help, then some sort of unimaginable danger must be involved in that world]

Gu Qing Shan nodded.

That certainly makes sense.

The System continued: [Furthermore, so as to receive the treasure of the Bramble Bird, it is very easy for large-scale bloodshed to happen between participants— as countless of examples from history can prove]

Gu Qing Shan's smile went away completely.

He only needed to think about it briefly to understand how dangerous it was.

“Does the Bramble Bird ignore the killing of fellow participants?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

[Survival to the fittest is a law of nature, and the Bramble Birds agree with it]

“That is... not simple” Gu Qing Shan muttered in a low voice.

[Indeed, as the Bramble Birds are mystical creatures of the Mystic Zones, not even powerful Combatants are willing to mess with them for no reason]

[Please proceed with caution]

“Alright, I’ll make sure to be on my guard when I go” Gu Qing Shan said.

[No, you still cannot go yet]

“Why not?”

[Only living beings of the 900 million World Layers are qualified to accept the call of the Bramble Birds, but you belong outside of the 900 million World Layers, a person of a Scattered world]

“People of the Scattered worlds aren’t qualified to accept their call?”

[Correct, you must obtain a universally recognized identity within any of the 900 million World Layers to be able to accept their call]

“Universally recognized?”

[Correct, only then will that world accept and form a link with you, recognizing you as one of its people]

“...How do I get universally recognized?”

[At least 1/3rd of the people of a world must accept your identity]

As Gu Qing Shan carefully thought about what that meant, he felt amazed.

You need to have an official identity to be able to accept the call of the Bramble Birds!

Besides the Justice Iron Fist Club, I’ve never been to any other world, and getting universally recognized in a foreign world is easier said than done!

No wonder the System wanted him to think of a way to remain here, then still asked if he wanted to stay or not after he received permission to stay for one day.

There are only a total of 2 people in the Justice Iron Fist Club.

So it should be the easiest Super Dimensional world to be universally recognized in.

—how many secrets does the System know exactly?

Gu Qing Shan closed his eyes and thought for a long while.

I need to become a member of the Justice Iron Fist Club... but both Barry and Kitty don’t want to involve someone else in their debt.

While he was thinking, all the lights in the club shut down.

Barry pulled a monster out from the club by its leg.

“Look, today’s spoils” Barry triumphantly declared.

He brought the monster in front of Gu Qing Shan and Kitty.

Kitty stopped her writing.

She leapt from her chair, looking at it excitedly.

The powerful devil who wiped out 3000 civilized worlds, titled [Terminator], was now lying on the ground like a common mob character.

“This is the great devil from before?”

While asking, Kitty poked it with her pen.

The monster didn’t move at all.

This monster didn’t actually look like a devil, more like a wild boar.

The only difference was that its four legs were much thicker than normal wild boars.

No matter who it was, if they take a look at it, the first word they’d think of is ‘ham’

Kitty circled around the monster once.

Barry asked: “Can we really eat this thing?”

“We should be able to” Kitty answered: “Chef Cheng of Gourmet soup kitchen once told me that every powerful devil has a certain piece of meat on their body. A top-grade cooking ingredient that is both delicious and beneficial...”

Barry and Kitty exchanged looks and swallowed their saliva.

Gu Qing Shan was speechless as he watched this.

He suddenly realized something.

The space monster that caused these two to have a stomach ache for several days in a row they talked about before was probably also captured the same way as this thing.

“Gu Qing Shan, do you think this thing can be eaten?” Kitty turned around and asked him.

Gu Qing Shan looked at the wild boar.

—no, the devil.

This boar-like devil was still in a near-death state.

Gu Qing Shan had an idea.

He stepped forward, grabbing the Earth sword from the void of space.

“Let me take a look”

Saying so, Gu Qing Shan tried swinging the Earth sword.

When the heavy Earth sword connected with the devil's supposed weak spot – his throat – it bounced back.

One of Gu Qing Shan's full-power slash was not able to even finish off a near-dead devil!

The Earth sword then told Gu Qing Shan: "This is a powerful devil, you need to pump all the Soul Points you have left into me to be able to slash his throat"

"Good!" Gu Qing Shan spoke without hesitation.

Barry who was watching from the side asked: "You need me to do it?"

"I'll try again" Gu Qing Shan answered.

An invisible wind flow drifted about Gu Qing Shan before concentrating on his sword.

The Earth sword began to vibrate.

It was ready to strike.

Gu Qing Shan only had 1100 Soul Points left, which he used up just now.

Both Barry and Kitty raised their brows a bit.

Who would've thought, the power we felt from this young man wasn't his true strength at all.

So his true strength requires Soul Points to be used.

Soul Points... is a type of origin power.

While being so weak, he could already control and use Soul Points.

Seems like we need to re-evaluate him outside of his cooking and cocktail mixing skills.

The brother and sister thought that briefly.

"If we want to eat it, I'll have to prepare it right away after it's dead, otherwise the ingredients won't be fresh anymore"

Gu Qing Shan only said that.

The Earth sword's blade swung down.

Slash!

His head was severed from his neck.

The boar devil was killed.

A few lines of glowing text appeared on the War God UI.

[You've used up all your Soul Points]

[Despite the massive difference in power, you managed to kill the powerful devil known as Terminator]

[You've received an excessive amount of Soul Points from the Terminator]

[The amount of Soul Points received is too great, the War God System is currently processing the accurate number]

[Reminder: With so much Soul Points, you may advance to the next realm right away, or learn the Taiyi

Sword Array]

[Would you like to advance to the next realm?]

Gu Qing Shan grabbed the devil's hand and silently spoke: "Now's not the time for that, I need some Soul Points to activate [Mystery of All Beings Equal] to look into this thing's body composition"

The System replied: [To comprehend the mystery of this devil's body composition, 10000 Soul Points is required, deducted from the Soul Points received]

[To turn into this devil, you need to spend all Soul Points received]

Gu Qing Shan instantly replied: "I only need to comprehend, not turn into it"

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[Understood, 10000 Soul Points had been used]

With the devil's head still in hand, Gu Qing Shan closed his eyes.

In just a few seconds, he had already learnt the composition of the devil's body.

And he found a miraculous piece of meat that indeed could be eaten.

Turning the boar devil belly up, Gu Qing Shan carefully looked at its body.

He found a natural rune formed from the Law of Purgatory.

This rune covered the devil's large ribs.

Gu Qing Shan crouched down and cut off this rib with the Earth sword.

A few lines of glowing text appeared on the War God UI.

[Purgatory devil soft rib]

[The best cooking ingredient found in Purgatory, once cooked appropriately and eaten, it can greatly benefit your constitution and body]

[This is a relatively rare cooking ingredient, unbelievably savory and extremely nutritious]

[You've used Mystery of All Beings Equal to see the basic composition of this piece of meat, with your cooking skills, you should know full well how to prepare it]

Gu Qing Shan took the piece of meat and slowly stood up.

"This— can be eaten?" Barry hesitantly asked.

"Wait a moment"

Gu Qing Shan inhaled deeply and entered a state of absolute focus.

Char-grilled beef ribs were his specialty.

But this wasn't beef, it was pork— it was devil's ribs.

Even if he knows every last characteristic of this piece of meat, grilling a devil was still an unprecedented challenge.

Gu Qing Shan tapped his Inventory Bag and took out all his cooking utensils.

Carefully thinking over every step, only after he had determined the best cooking procedure did he begin to prepare the ingredients.

Barry and Kitty only silently watched him without saying a word.

They could feel Gu Qing Shan's determination and focus.

Half an hour later.

A delectable alluring scent of food filled the entire Justice Iron Fist Club.

"How much longer until we can eat?" Barry's mouth was watering as he asked.

"Only one last minute of grilling left!"

Gu Qing Shan's hand was turning the meat to cook it while he answered.

Abruptly, a loud 'pop' came out from next to them.

A burly man wearing a cooking apron showed up out of nowhere.

"Chef Cheng!" Barry's expression changed as he called out.

For this man to appear, Gu Qing Shan's char-grilled ribs seemed quite extraordinary.

The burly man with the apron quickly stepped close to the ribs, then stared at Gu Qing Shan.

"Good! Good! You didn't shame this precious ingredient at all" he sighed out of relief.

Immediately after, he loudly declared: "Barry, give me this grilled ribs and I'll consider your debt to me paid"

Saying so, he reached out wanting to take the ribs.

"Don't even think about it!" Barry shouted.

He instantly threw a punch and smashed a hole in space.

Like a hawk catching a baby bird, Barry grabbed and threw the burly man into the hole.

"Barry you asshole, I curse you to only eat raw space monsters for the rest of your life!" the burly man roared as he was reluctantly 'escorted' away.

"If that really happens, I'll make you eat them first!"

Barry shouted back indifferently.

He grabbed both sides of the hole in space with his bare hands and pulled them together.

The hole closed up and disappeared.

When Barry was finished with that, so did Gu Qing Shan's grilled devil ribs.

Gu Qing Shan divided the meat into three equal portions.

Barry, Kitty and Gu Qing Shan, one for each.

“Can we eat yet?” Kitty asked.

Gu Qing Shan sprinkled one final bit of spice onto the meat.

“Now you can” he said.

The three of them took the ribs in hand.

Gu Qing Shan stayed still.

Kitty first admired the scent of the ribs.

Silence.

Barry was the first to bite.

“Hoh hoh hoh, hoh hoh hoh hoh!”

Barry tilted his head up and began to cry.

“Bro, what happened?” Kitty was concerned.

“It’s so hot!!”

Barry wiped his tears and told her.

Gu Qing Shan had nothing to say: “It was just done grilling, can’t you wait for it to cool down first”

The three of them waited for a bit more.

Barry once again was the first to bite.

“It’s so good, to eat something this good, am I dreaming? Someone come smack me awake!!!!” Barry roared.

Seeing that, Kitty was assured.

She didn’t hesitate anymore and...

Began to eat!

Kitty took a few bites at first, but then she also began to silently wipe her tears.

“Why? Why do I feel a heartbreaking sourness right at the end of the bite” Kitty muttered.

“Because I slathered a thin layer of crushed garlic right at the end” Gu Qing Shan explained.

“No! I also know how to cook, mere crushed garlic definitely cannot reach this level!!!” Kitty tapped the plate as she refuted.

“Then listen closely, my crush garlic was actually pickled in vinegar—- this is a secret ingredient, please don’t tell it to anyone else” Gu Qing Shan whispered.

“So that’s why!” Kitty sighed.



Three mouths, three ribs, ten seconds.

Dinner was over.

Gu Qing Shan checked himself a bit.

What a miraculous piece of meat, his body really was becoming stronger!

His body was now easily as strong as a Martial cultivator of the same level.

How unimaginable, among infinite worlds, you really couldn't use the same cultivation common sense to judge anything accurately.

Barry was stunned, and at a bit of a loss.

This piece of meat really was beneficial to the body.

He could feel his wound getting better by the second.

"Kitty"

"What?"

"Let's move away"

"Are you crazy? Where do you want to move to?"

"Purgatory"

#### **Chapter 497**

Once they finished eating the grilled wild boar meat, the three sat on the grass outside to rest.

Barry was happily drinking some booze.

Of course, it was Gu Qing Shan who provided it.

Not only did Gu Qing Shan bring the Pixie Crystal Flower, cook them a wonderfully luxurious dinner, he even made some grilled ribs so good that Chef Cheng wanted to clear his debt for it.

And now, he even had cold booze ready.

If Gu Qing Shan was a woman, Barry wouldn't even hesitate to try and court him.

"Take a look"

Kitty pointed at some faint figures quickly traversing through the air and told Gu Qing Shan to look.

"What are those?" Gu Qing Shan asked.

"Maybe they are travelers who happened to pass by, maybe they are bro's mortal enemies waiting for him outside"

"They can't get in?"

"They can't"

“But I came in just fine”

“The Spire Keeper Association is on our side, so we trust them” Kitty said: “If I don’t want someone to come in, no matter who it is, they won’t make it into our world”

Gu Qing Shan asked: “Then what if someone fooled the Spire Keeper Association to infiltrate?”

Kitty shook her hand: “I hold this world’s beacon authority, so I can kick someone out as easily as I let them in”

Gu Qing Shan now understood.

He was silently thinking about the matter of the Bramble Birds and finally made a decision.

“Ah, I actually have a favor to ask of the two of you” Gu Qing Shan very sincerely spoke.

Barry and Kitty both looked over to him.

“You have a favor to ask of me?” Barry asked.

“Yes” Gu Qing Shan answered.

Barry put the bottle of booze down and pounded his chest with one hand: “Say it, helping others is my justice, so as long as it isn’t something bad, I’ll help you out once”

This young man isn’t an evil person so helping him once isn’t that big of a deal.

Kitty, on the other hand, scowled a bit.

She was worried.

*Bro doesn’t consider the consequences when doing things, once he agrees to help someone, he’ll always try his best to do it.*

*But his body still hasn’t fully healed yet.*

*If by chance, Gu Qing Shan’s request is too tough and Barry has to risk his life for it, it’ll be hard to tell the results.*

*Afterall, many of Barry’s enemies completely went into hiding to wait for him to show up.*

At this time, the brother-sister duo approached Gu Qing Shan’s request with very different attitudes.

Gu Qing Shan told them: “I want to answer the call of the Bramble Birds under this world’s name”

“Under this world’s name?” Barry didn’t quite understand.

Kitty’s scowl loosened.

“Ah so that’s what it was. Bro, he belongs to a Scattered world, so he’s not qualified to answer the call of the Bramble Birds” she explained.

Barry now realized: “Oh I thought you wanted to take revenge or fight or something, if it’s something that simple, of course there’s no problem”

He also relaxed.

“Bro, there’s a small problem” Kitty said.

“What’s the problem?”

“If he answers the call of the Bramble Birds as a member of the Justice Iron Fist Club, once he returns, the debtors will take him away and make him do labor work for them to pay for our debt”

“I’ll protect him” Barry waved his clenched fist.

“But we really do owe them a lot of money. We won’t be in the right if we beat them” Kitty whispered.

“Ah, that’s right, they’re our debtors, beating them up won’t be a fight for justice” Barry scratched his head, troubled.

Gu Qing Shan spoke: “There’s no need to think too hard about it, I’ve got a solution”

“What solution?” Kitty asked.

“Doesn’t the Bramble Birds give out treasures to those who help it? Are its treasures precious?”

Barry and Kitty exchanged glances and nodded.

“The Bramble Birds are a mystical creature of the Mystic Zones. Do you know what a Mystic Zone is?” Barry picked up the booze again as he asked.

“I don’t”

Kitty patiently explained: “The 900 million World Layers are divided into the Fallen Zones, Super Dimensional Zones, Strife Zones and Mystic Zones”

“The Mystic Zones are the areas closest to the innermost area of the Outer Plane, any item from those areas are obscenely valuable outside”

“And since the natural habitat of the Bramble Birds is within those areas, they very frequently come across and collect all sorts of rare treasures among rare treasures”

Gu Qing Shan smiled.

“Perfect, then if I managed to return alive, I’ll use the treasure received from the Bramble Bird to pay for your debt”

Gu Qing Shan added: “Since you’re letting me be a member of the club, I should do something for the club as well, isn’t that right?”

Barry was shocked at first, but started laughing: “Ahahaha, that is perfect! That really is the perfect solution!”

*The club gets a savior who’s willing to help them absolve the debt as a new member, not to mention he’s someone they got along with so well, it really couldn’t be more perfect.*

Kitty also patted him on the shoulder: “If you can really do it, you’ll naturally get a place in our club”

*From what they saw before, Xiao Die really had matured.*

*The fact that this person was entrusted with the Pixie Crystal Flower by her, and that he really did deliver it across trillions of world speaks volume.*

*Not to mention he's such a good cook.*

*Come to think of it, he said this was his first time travelling so far away from home.*

*...alright.*

*Let's make him a club member now and not let anyone else get a chance to steal him away.*

Kitty quickly decided, took out a couple of steel shovels out of nowhere and threw them to Barry and Gu Qing Shan respectively.

"We're going to dig something up" she stood up and said.

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"How much longer do we have to dig?" Gu Qing Shan asked.

"Not sure, but should be soon" Barry dug a bit deeper without breaking a single sweat.

Gu Qing Shan looked to Kitty.

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They've been digging for 2 hours already.

Kitty spoke embarrassed: "At the time, we owed so much money and bro's wounds still hadn't gotten any better, so for the sake of safety, we buried this world's beacon"

"So just hurry up and dig it back up, if we don't dig it up quickly, you might not make it to the Bramble Birds in time"

Gu Qing Shan sighed, said nothing else and continued to dig.

The beacon can connect to the core Laws of a Super Dimensional world, so it can be considered the 'deed' of a Super Dimensional world, its central control unit.

Once a person was registered in the beacon of a certain Super Dimensional world, they could connect to that particular Super Dimensional world at any time.

As long as they paid a certain price, they could return to that Super Dimensional world at a moment's notice from any other of the other trillion worlds.

The reason why Gu Qing Shan was trying so hard was to receive permission to warp-travel this way.

Time slowly passed by.

After Gu Qing Shan and Barry dug for a while more hours, they finally reached where the beacon was hidden.

It was a pair of iron boxing gloves.

Kitty had to wash it several times for the boxing gloves to regain its metallic shine.

"Ever since I got wounded, I haven't touched these boxing gloves"

Barry sighed emotionally as he looked at the boxing gloves.

"Bro, you're already getting better now"

Kitty held his hand and encouraged him.

Barry smiled.

He wore the boxing gloves and started connecting to this Super Dimensional world.

A few moments later.

He told Gu Qing Shan: "Give me a strand of your hair"

Gu Qing Shan pulled out one strand of hair and handed it to him.

Barry placed the strand of hair into the palm of the glove.

Very quickly, the hair disappeared.

"The club has recorded your unique signature" Kitty happily declared.

This meant that the Justice Iron Fist Club finally had a new member after such a long time.

*Even if he's still very weak.*

*And he carries a heavy debt on his back.*

*But he's a good person.*

*To repay the debt of the club, he'll leave in search of treasures.*

*Barry's wound is also recovering.*

*Things are finally getting better, so the future would be full of things to look forward to.*

Thinking that, Kitty's lips slowly curled into a smile.

Then, Barry opened his hand, grabbing something invisible from the void of space.

"Kitty, now!"

He gave that thing to Kitty.

Kitty took the invisible thing and chanted a mysterious incantation.

Something began to manifest.

She then handed that thing to Gu Qing Shan.

As he took a look, Gu Qing Shan found that it was a thin string.

The hair flickered briefly before disappearing from his hand and went away without a trace.

"We used your hair to create a Void String, creating a connection to this world's beacon and grant you permission to enter this world" Barry explained.

Kitty solemnly told him: "I've infused that strand of hair with my spatial Law powers, the power inside is enough for you to return here once"

"How should I do that?" Gu Qing Shan asked.

"If you chant 'Justice Iron Fist Club', you'll be able to sense the void string's existence"

Gu Qing Shan tried and found that was indeed the case.

“What’s next?”

“Pull the void string, about half an hour later, it’ll lead you back here”

“Half an hour?”

“Well, not exactly, if the distance is too great it might take a bit longer”

Kitty continued: “The next time you return here with that, come find me and I’ll infuse spatial powers into it once again for you”

“I got it, thank you” Gu Qing Shan said.

He sincerely exhaled out of relief inside.

From this moment onwards, he had been officially recognized by a Super Dimensional world.

Barry smiled: “From now on, you’re a member of our Super Dimensional world, I’ll sign up for you now”

He blew a whistle at the void of space.

A few moments later, a huge bird flew in from the space vortex.

The bird circled around Barry once before landing.

Gu Qing Shan noticed that the bird was wearing a crest on his chest.

The crest depicted a flying bird.

“Tsk tsk tsk, Barry, it seems you’ve gotten better now, great for you, but you still owe me quite a bit” the big bird looked at Barry and commented.

“Me getting better means I can pay you back sooner or later, doesn’t I?”

“That’s true, you finally don’t have to be a fraud anymore, how great”

“Stop with the chit-chat, help me contact the Spire Keeper Association, I need a ship to take someone to the Bramble Bird’s place”

## **Chapter 498**

The Freedom Confederate’s Eastern Sea.

Offshore.

A man with long, faintly brown hair stood on the surface of the water.

He was rubbing the stubbles on his chin as he went into thought.

“How unexpected...”

The man seemed to be sensing something as he muttered.

After an unknown amount of time had passed, the man finally crouched down and put his hand on the water surface.

A mystical wave went from his hand into the sea, expanding outwards across the water.

“Come, come, although you’re mutated monster... in the end you’re still sea creatures”

“So heed my call”

*Oom—*

Following his whisper, the surface of the ocean bulged up as a large sea creature surfaced.

A mutated sea creature.

Following it, more and more sea creatures heeded his call and headed here from the depths of the ocean.

As time passed, all the sea creatures had gathered.

They floated orderly and neatly around where the man stood.

They felt absolute fear and respect towards this small creature that summoned them.

The man looked at all these terrifying and strange sea creatures.

And he smiled.

“You are all my subjects, from now on, you are to follow my orders”

At a place quite close to where he stood, a sea creature howled in a low bellowing voice.

“Ah? You’re asking who I am?”

The man nodded: “I forgot, you should indeed know my name”

“I am the Demi in charge of water element for the Heavenly realm, you may call me the Water God”

“Now, move out all of you, for the glory of the gods, lay siege to the human cities”

On another side.

The Fuxi Empire.

At a certain metropolis.

A 5-meter tall Assault Mech was quickly approaching towards a strange creature.

The creature was ashen grey, its body covered in a slimy substance with tentacles sprouting from all over its body. It floated forward in the air.

Being bombarded by the mech’s attacks, the monster roared furiously.

Although their firepower was ineffective in killing it, the impact of the blast still caused it to feel a genuine pain.

The monster opened its ‘arms’, pulling the retreating Mech into its embrace.

*Sss sssh shhh... crack!*

The sound of metal being corroded came out.

Once the grey smoke had all gone away, the metallic components of the Mech had already been melted away.

*Roar!!*

The monster roared threateningly.

But across from it, countless Assault Mechs stood still without backing off.

This was an Assault Mech squadron.

None of the Mechs were controlled by humans.

Impartial Goddess had created a completely new tactical war AI for these cold, emotionless machines.

[Experiment results analyzed: Of all descended Wraiths, this is the weakest]

Impartial Goddess ordered: [All troops move out, eliminate it]

[For the Goddess!]

Every Assault Mech responded in a booming united voice.

The sound of machine engines roared across the sky.

The Mechs began their assault.

Despite the monster's frenzied screams, the Mech still went forward.

Their battle had begun!

At the same time.

About three square blocks away from this area, there was a café.

Two men in casual clothing were enjoying their afternoon teatime.

As they heard the clattering noise of battle outside, one of them put the cup of coffee from their hand down.

"Quite the noisy battle" he commented.

"Nothing but a skirmish" the other had a cup of black tea as he sat with one leg crossed.

He only had his eyes half-opened, seemingly savoring the smell and taste of his drink.

There were no other sounds around them.

The café was completely silent.

They sat here, enjoying their drinks while discussing the battle outside.

"Aren't we going to help that Wraith outside?" the one drinking coffee asked.

"You think you're that strong?" the man drinking tea glanced over to him.



“At least I’ll have a much easier time dealing with these metal pests”

“No, our mission is to gather intel, to discern this world’s true level of power, not to protect the Wraiths”

“But we’re still allies, just sitting here enjoying tea while it fights for its life outside is a bit inappropriate isn’t it?”

“No such thing” the tea drinker answered: “There’s only one world, the Wraiths want to absorb it and we also want to absorb it, so who’s going to do that? —that in itself is a big problem”

“Before we deal with this problem, it’s a bit awkward for us Demi to personally go into battle”

The other understood what he meant.

“You’re right, there’s only so many of us Demi, fight to the death and such, let’s leave that to the Wraiths, they’ll probably enjoy that more anyways”

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The man drinking tea then spoke: “However, there’s a few interesting things in the human realm”

He reached his hand out to take a Holo-Brain from the breast pocket of a new corpse.

Taking a closer look, the floor of the café was filled with corpses.

They killed everyone here.

“What’s that?” the coffee drinker looked at the Holo-Brain and asked.

“A Holo-Brain, something humans invented, all of them had one”

The tea drinker tried operating it.

The Holo-Brain lit up by itself.

“What does this thing do?”

“I’m not sure either, I think it helps humans deal with some daily minor chores?”

“What can a small thing like that actually do?” the coffee drinker didn’t buy it.

The commotion outside quieted down.

Both of them looked over at the same time.

“One Wraith is still too few huh, not enough to deal with a few dozen metal dolls”

“Wait, look at them, what are they doing?”

Within the rubble, the Mechs captured and bound the near-dead Wraith.

They brought the Wraith up to the sky and flew away.

“Come, let’s go tail them” the tea drinker said.

At the same time, in a war command center about 8000 miles away from where they were.

Zhang Ying Hao had been silently paying attention to the 2 Demis near the Holo-Brain until they prepared to leave.

“Kill them” he said simply.

Impartial Goddess’ voice came: [Super Intercontinental Missiles preparing to fire]

[3]

[2]

[1]

[Direct hit]

“Battle zone surveillance” Zhang Ying Hao ordered.

Back on the screen.

The café was gone.

There was only a large crater left.

A few moments later, two figures came out from the crater.

“What happened? I’m sure I already blocked out my presence, how did they find us?” the coffee drinker was confused.

His cup of coffee was still slightly steaming, not even a drop had spilt.

“How interesting, very interesting, there must be something very crucial that we still haven’t figured out” the tea drinker replied.

He still had the Holo-Brain in his hand.

The coffee drinker looked up to the sky.

The Mechs had already flown away from sight.

“What now?” he asked.

“Let’s go take a stroll and get to know the life of humans”

“Is there a meaning in doing that?”

“Of course, we first have to understand this world well before we can conquer and rule over it” the tea drinker replied.

He also reminded him: “Next time, you can’t arbitrarily kill them like that, they are all our subjects”

“How unfortunate, fun always doesn’t last long” the coffee drinker regretfully said.

The tea drinker was also a bit regretful angrily explaining: “We need them, since there are so few of us Demis, and within the Samsara, only humans can mate with us to reproduce and give birth to our children”

“Also, you’re not allowed to destroy this world too much either—— since it is our property”

He carefully put the Holo-Brain away before heading towards a street without people.

The coffee drinker followed suit.

Zhang Ying Hao had the screen turned off.

Impartial Goddess' voice came: [Their location is still being tracked with the moving Holo-Brain]

"Good, it's been hard" Zhang Ying Hao said.

He gave the President a cigar, then took out another to offer Varona.

"Thank you, I'll just have this" Varona showed him the female cigarette she had.

Zhang Ying Hao lit his cigar and took a long drag.

He then cursed: "This cigar's farm and factory has been destroyed by 30 Wraith, damn them all"

"What do you think?" the President asked.

"For now, the information we have is good news" Zhang Ying Hao answered.

"Over 3000 Wraiths had appeared, and even more are coming as we speak; 10% of our cities have been destroyed, and you still think that is good news?" Varona asked.

"Even worse, a few of the Wraiths can be killed by Mechs, but there has been no examples of Demi being defeated" the President added.

Zhang Ying Hao took another drag from his cigar and slowly spoke: "That's just how war is, the feeling of despair is always the opening act, but don't get angry because of it, you'll get pimples"

Varona said nothing to that and just touched her smooth white face.

The President spoke up: "Then I want to know what you're calling good news"

"Very well, from the intel we've gathered, there was at least two good news" Zhang Ying Hao said.

"Which are?"

"Firstly, they don't know how our technology works"

The President and Varona both thought for a bit and nodded to confirm.

The Holo-Brain that Demi had just now was already turned on, but he didn't know that at all.

Zhang Ying Hao breathed out some smoke, speaking with clear eyes: "Secondly, their goal is to obtain this world, not to destroy it"

## **Chapter 499**

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The entire city was in rubble.

Wraiths wandered about, searching for any remaining humans.

Once found, they would make them choose between dying, or being converted into Wraiths.

Towards the Wraiths' actions, the Demis couldn't really say anything.

If you compare relative strength, they were indeed stronger.

But when it comes to catching slaves, even though they had the experience of raising human servants, the speed of which they caught and transported slaves was still too slow compared to the Wraiths.

So dissatisfaction was slowly built up.

Leading to this moment.

At a large square somewhere among the rubble.

Thousands of Wraiths had surrounded the Demis.

A golden gleam of light.

A gold metal sphere nimbly weaved among the Wraiths before returning.

It was only then that blinding flashes of light erupted in the Wraith's ranks.

Countless fierce and sharp streaks of light came out, dicing the Wraiths into minced meat.

Furious screeches resounded all over.

While they were angry, the Wraiths took a few steps back instead of moving up to attack again.

Just now, the metal sphere's attack was completely unavoidable and could not be blocked.

Not only had the Wraiths never seen such attacks before, they also had no way to stop it.

The metal sphere lightly floated in mid air.

A man in full body armor and a white helmet grabbed the sphere in hand.

He looked at the countless Wraith in front of him, sighing: "You Wraiths really caused me a lot of headache, you know that"

Behind the man were over 20 Demis.

These Demis were the main force of the Heaven realm during this war.

Each of them had at least one type of Divine Skill, and none of them even got hurt ever since the start of the human realm invasion.

But now, all of them were more or less wounded.

Luckily, there hadn't been any casualties.

For the Demis, the death of each of their kin was a really huge deal.

There were simply too few of them.

Within the horde of Wraiths, a humanoid monster with a chill drifting from its body stepped out.

Below its feet, the chill was slowly freezing and expanding along the ground.

Strangely, the frozen ground was actually the bed for a burning flame.

This counterintuitive phenomenon caused the Demis to all turn cautious.

Frost Flame Wraith King, ruler of the Wraith realm.

It was powerful enough to take on any Demi— or even 2 Demis at the same time.

The Frost Flame Wraith King stared intently at the Demis in front of it, trying to hold back its fury.

It wasn't yet time to break off their agreement.

Thinking that, the Frost Flame Wraith King questioned in a harrowing voice: 『 Heavenly God, why did you order your men to attack my troops, or do you already want to break our treaty? 』

The man with the metal sphere answered: “In truth, it was your troops who suddenly attacked us while we were transporting the slaves”

『 That is not possible, my men are not that stupid 』 the Frost Flame Wraith King denied.

*Your men ARE that stupid*, the Heavenly God silently retorted.

But he couldn't say that out loud.

It wasn't yet time to break off their agreement.

There were still so many inexplicable powers in the human realm, and they had yet to give up resistance.

Human technology was a valuable thing.

After every battle, despite winning every time, the Demis had never found a single human corpse.

This was completely unbelievable.

Furthermore, the Asura and Beast King realms were still somewhere unknown, lying in wait.

The Heavenly God silently sighed and spoke: “To avoid friendly fire once again, you go South, we'll go North, that way neither of us will meet and there will be no unnecessary misunderstanding, what do you think?”

The Frost Flame Wraith King hesitated for a bit and replied: 『 We will go North 』

“Fine”

The Heavenly God directly agreed.

“The agreement still stands, if we face powerful resistance, both sides will rally to fight against it”

『 Very well, so be it 』

Once both sides reached an agreement, they brought their own men and left in opposite directions towards different cities.

This newly destroyed city was plunged into silence.

On another side.

The war command center.

“Damn it!”

Zhang Ying Hao angrily punched at the face of the table, leaving a small dent on the solid metal control dashboard.

“Your hand isn’t hurt is it?”

Monarch Varona glanced at the dashboard and asked.

“Just a little bit more” Zhang Ying Hao replied without changing his expression, “I should’ve arranged a few more skirmishes, that way they would’ve fully committed to killing each other”

The President consoled him: “The majority of the Demis are already wounded, over a few hundred Wraiths were killed as well, your plan to create discord between them was already very good for being able to do this much”

Liao Xing also commented: “That’s right, both sides’ leaders aren’t stupid either”

“The only ridiculous thing is, from the start of the war, nothing we did managed to even hurt the Demi. It took over a thousand Wraiths attacking at the same time to cause them to suffer such minor wounds” Varona said.

Everyone fell silent.

Martial Saint Zhang Zong Yang was currently the strongest cultivator, using the opportunity provided when two worlds fused, he had reached Rejuvenation realm.

But all he could manage was to trade blows with a Demi for a short while.

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Then he would lose.

Demis were too powerful.

With humanity’s current level of cultivators, they had no way to go against them.

This was complete one-sided suppression without any hope of resistance.

Now that the Wraith and Demi went their separate ways, it was impossible to cause anymore strife between them.

Which means, there would be no one capable of going against the Demi now.

Facing such a situation, they felt nothing but heavy powerlessness.

The President suddenly asked: “Before, you said that the Demi and Wraiths didn’t want to destroy this world?”

“Yes” Zhang Ying Hao arbitrarily replied.

He was still thinking of a solution.

——a final solution.

“Compared to the Frozen Hell, the enemy’s attitude changing is a very crucial point” Liao Xing chimed in.

“But we can’t just give up and become slaves!” Varona angrily said.

Liao Xing didn’t reply, his eyes were bloodshot as he quickly operated a super Holo-Brain with both hands.

Once he finished the code, Liao Xing finally exhaled.

He told Ye Fei Li: “The spatial warp is ready, your turn”

Ye Fei Li put his ice cream down and licked his lips.

He looked at everyone here.

“Humanity is about to be destroyed, and I’m going to be the movie’s main character”

Ye Fei Li triumphantly declared.

“Less chit-chat, if you have the time, go and quickly get stronger” Zhang Ying Hao just told him.

“Fine”

Ye Fei Li said before leaving.

Varona continued the President’s line of thought and asked again: “What they want is the world intact, everyone knows this, but can we actually do something with this fact?”

Zhang Ying Hao replied: “I have a faint idea, but we’ll have to wait until Ye Fei Li becomes strong enough to think about how to overturn the situation”

“You really believe him that much?” the Monarch asked.

“I do, he’ll be our final trump card against the Wraiths and Demi”

“There are no other solutions?”

“There aren’t”

“Even you can’t think of something?”

Zhang Ying Hao sighed and told her: “I’m not a monster at Gu Qing Shan’s level, nor a mutated Man Killer Fiend. Can’t your majesty treat a completely normal human like me a bit more fairly?”

Varona pouted a bit looking at him and lightly tapped his arm.

A female monarch of a country making such an expression and such gestures felt a bit like she was flirting.

As a matured woman in her prime, Varona's allure was undeniable, not to mention how she used to be a world-renowned beauty in her youth.

The atmosphere of the room instantly became a bit inappropriate.

"I'm going to take a piss"

Zhang Ying Hao awkwardly stood up and left.

Standing in the male toilet, he soaked his head in cold water for a bit to calm back down.

The Holo-Brain in his breast pocket lit up.

Zhang Ying Hao checked it.

The President sent him a message.

[I heard you're seeing my daughter?]

Zhang Ying Hao breathed in deeply and replied with 120% extra care: "We've gotten to know each other, right now she and I are friends with mutual respect"

A few seconds later, the President replied: [Then what is going on... with Varona?]

Reading this message, Zhang Ying Hao felt cold sweat running down his forehead and back.

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Ye Fei Li's body was covered in a bloody red glow.

On the back of his palm, a strange hook was attached.

The hook almost seemed like it was growing from his hand.

The Forgetting River Soul Separating Hook.

"Hiyah!"

Ye Fei Li roared.

Black blood was spilled.

The dying Wraith was beheaded.

Sprites of light came out from the Wraith's body as it was absorbed into the Soul Separating Hook.

The hook began to glow.

An invisible force flowed from the hook into Ye Fei Li's body.

"Hoh, hoh, hohh, hooohh!"

Unseen wind drifted about Ye Fei Li's body.

He couldn't help but levitate, silently hovering in the air.

"I feel... powerful, like never before!"



Ye Fei Li breathed out a blood-colored mist as he stared at his hand.

On the back of his left hand, the metal hook also changed to become blood-colored.

“I’m only giving you half of the Soul Points for now, otherwise you might not be able to take it” the Soul Separating Hook said.

“Thank you, it’s good that you’re here”

Ye Fei Li was still a bit scared, “the Soul Points Conversion Device sister-in-name gave me was too brutal, if I wasn’t a Man Killer Fiend, I would’ve died from being overwhelmed by the Wraith’s Soul Points”

“Regardless, you being able to use Soul Points now is a good thing” the Soul Separating Hook said.

“I feel that I can win against normal Wraiths now”

“That’s still nowhere near enough, the situation is only getting worse and worse, you have to become stronger, quicker”

“I know”

## **Chapter 500**

Super Dimensional world.

Justice Iron Fist Club.

Barry said: “Quit the chit-chat, help me contact a ship, I need to bring someone to the Bramble Bird’s place”

The big bird took out a note from his chest.

Flipping through, it spoke a bit troubled: “Every travel agency have listed the Justice Iron Fist Club into their blacklist, I’m afraid that even if I contacted them, they wouldn’t send a ship over”

“What about the Spire Keeper Association?” Kitty asked.

“They’re the first one to add you into their blacklist”

“Those damn scholars” Kitty angrily said.

“Can’t blame them, you owe the Spire Keeper Association a total of 30 worlds’ worth of resources” the big bird said.

He shrugged with his wings: “From the look of your desolate place here, I’m guessing you can’t pay them back yet, how about next time?”

Barry and Kitty exchanged looks.

Kitty said: “Unfortunately, I can’t warp him there directly, I don’t know where the Bramble Birds are”

“Wait a bit” Gu Qing Shan said.

He took out the Spire seal: “Please bring this to them and tell them that I hope they can do me a favor”

The big bird received the seal, looked at it before looking back at Gu Qing Shan.

“Seems like the Justice Iron Fist Club’s luck is turning around”

He took the seal in his mouth and began to fly into the void of space.

“Someone in the Spire owes you a favor?” Barry was surprised.

Gu Qing Shan then told them what happened.

“How is that possible, there is a Samsara world outside of the 900 million World Layers?” Barry was visibly confused.

“How rare, normally, Samsara worlds are part of the Mystic Zones, a miraculous series of worlds with its own closed cycle”

Kitty was intrigued: “I really want to take a look at how people travel to the tunnel of Huang Quan after death”

“You probably won’t be able to, I’ve already fused the human realm and Huang Quan together” Gu Qing Shan said.

Kitty was shocked: “You broke the closed cycle of the Samsara?”

“Is there a problem?”

“I don’t know, it’s such a rare occurrence” Kitty looked to Barry.

Barry also shook his head.

“There’s very few chances for humans to come to the Mystic Zones, so I’m not sure either” Barry said.

“You’re more than welcome to come visit my world”

“Really?”

“Really”

Kitty took out a compass from the middle of nowhere.

“Take it, it’ll record every place you’ve ever been to, this way I’ll know the coordinates as well”

“Alright”

Gu Qing Shan took the compass.

He checked the time.

*It’s 7 AM.*

*Then...*

“Do you want breakfast?” Gu Qing Shan asked.

“Yes!”

Barry and Kitty both answered at the same time.

“Alright, I’ll make toast and fried eggs, then some hot tofu— ah, how do you like your breakfast? Sweet or Savory?”

“Sweet” Kitty said.

“Savory” Barry said.

They both turned to glare at each other.

Barry gave up: “Fine, let’s go with sweet”

Kitty smiled.

After they had a fulfilling breakfast, the ship from the Spire Keeper Association arrived.

Unlike before, a ship even bigger than the one he arrived on came.

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Standing on the deck of the ship was an old man wearing a pink coat.

As soon as he appeared, the old man stared at Barry’s leg intently.

He rubbed his eyes in disbelief: “He really did recover... what a miracle”

The old man’s figure flashed, disappearing from the ship’s deck and reappearing next to Barry.

He crouched down, held and started sniffing Barry’s leg.

“Hey old man, what are you doing?” Barry clenched his fist.

The old man sniffed Barry’s leg from his shin all the way near his crotch before opening his eyes wide and exclaimed: “Aha! This smell, it’s the Pixie Crystal Flower!”

He excitedly jumped, telling Barry: “Barry, representing the Spire Keeper Association, I hope to use 3 World Layers as payment to buy the coordinates to the Pixie’s kingdom”

He hurriedly added: “Barry, you have to take this chance, 3 World Layers is enough to clear all your debts and still leave a little bit for you to use”

“I’m sorry, it was given to me by another person, I don’t know where the Pixie’s kingdom is either” Barry said.

“Really? How unfortunate” the old man regretfully sighed.

Barry wouldn’t lie about such a thing.

The old man’s hopes quickly got dismissed.

He took out the Spire’s seal and looked around, immediately noticing Gu Qing Shan.

The old man took the seal and came in front of Gu Qing Shan.

He gracefully bowed.

“You must be the one who saved Great Scholar Moore”

“From now on, there’s no need for you to show this precious seal for such a small thing as riding our ship, just tell them straight on”

Gu Qing Shan sincerely spoke: “Thank you for coming here, I really needed to use your ship to go to where the Bramble Birds are”

The old man looked at him a bit.

“Ah, so it was about that. Hm, about 20 years old, quite young, still within the requirements of the Bramble Birds”

“Then please board the ship, we’ll go in full speed, the call of the Bramble Birds was already announced quite a while ago”

“Yes!”

Gu Qing Shan followed the old man onto the ship.

He stood at the ship’s deck, looking at Barry and Kitty below.

“Take care of yourself” Barry waved to him.

“If it’s too dangerous, find somewhere hidden and use the void string to return” Kitty call out.

“I don’t want to carry that much debt” Gu Qing Shan smiled.

He was going to try his best.

Barry and Kitty both lightly nodded.

The old man swung his hand and yelled out: “We’re leaving, to the place of the Bramble Bird’s call!”

With his order, the ship began to speed up, heading for the void of space outside the Justice Iron Fist Club.

When the ship was gone from sight, Barry and Kitty still stood there without moving.

“Bro, how long until your leg is fully healed?” Kitty asked him caringly.

Barry thought for a bit: “5 days, I’ll be back in shape in 5 days”

Kitty smiled brightly: “That’s great, after so many years being holed up here, I can finally go on a shopping spree again”

“Shopping? Where are you going to get the money?” Barry glared at her.

“Gu Qing Shan will bring the money back!” Kitty replied.

Barry rubbed his chin and fell into thought.

“That’s true, in 5 days, he’ll probably already win and return”

Barry lightly punched the palm of his left hand with his right: “Then it’s decided, 5 days later, the three of us are going to visit Hot Spring Isle”

“Whoa, that’s great!” Kitty was joyful.

“Of course” Barry sincerely spoke, “but only if he returns alive”

Kitty couldn’t help but giggle.

“Bro, even in the infinite worlds, how many people below 30 years old can actually use Soul Points? Not to mention, from the looks of his sword qi, his swordsmanship is already vastly superior to most, the only thing holding him back now is his own cultivation and level of strength”

Barry also sighed as he commented: “That’s true, most of the things Bramble Birds ask people to do aren’t that troublesome, someone as good as him probably won’t die”

Kitty also thought about something else: “I remember now, back when bro was still in your 20s, all you could do was get beat up”

“Shut up!”