

## Chapter 1381

### Hila's Hidden Cultivation, Experience Filled Up

With a flash of light, Han Xiao arrived at the Underworld Dimension. The moment he entered, he saw Hila fighting Aurora.

In the pitch-black sky, two enormous energy spheres, one red and one gold, stuck closely together like two connected suns. The scarlet power of the Dead pressed forward step by step, continuously squeezing the space occupied by the Life power, like a ruffian bullying a cowering girl. A graceful figure floated in the middle of the energy cluster filled with Power Of The Dead. Hila's red hair danced in the energy surge, and her expression was calm. On the other side of the golden light, Aurora's blonde hair was dancing wildly. She clenched her fists and raised them in front of her. Her cheeks were red, and she was pumping out all her life energy to resist Hila's suppression.

"Eh? An elder sister bullying her younger sister, I can't just ignore this. Do you need help? I can help you bully her back."

Han Xiao glanced at it, raised his brows, and shouted at Aurora.

Hila turned around and glanced at him. After pausing for a moment, she retracted her power of Death.

The scarlet sun in the sky rapidly shrunk and disappeared, returning to her body.

Aurora, who was on the other side, suddenly felt no pressure. It was as if one of them had suddenly let go when the two of them were pushing each other. The life force that had lost its resistance could not help but spurt out, and a golden tsunami immediately appeared in the sky.

She hurriedly restrained her energy and slowly guided it back into her body. The golden sun quickly disappeared, leaving Aurora gasping in midair, looking like she was about to collapse.

Hila frowned and stared at Aurora with her sharp eyes. "Your control is still too weak. Rest for a while and continue training."

Hila then turned to Han Xiao and explained,

"We're not fooling around. Extreme pressure can speed up the growth of her life energy, broaden her upper limit, and help her increase her strength. This is one of the special training I've prepared for her."

Han Xiao shrugged. He knew that this was training, so he was just joking. At this time, Aurora also turned back into her petite figure and flew in front of them. The redness on her face that she had suppressed earlier had yet to fade, and she looked a little silly and embarrassed. "I lost the last battle because I was not strong enough. I felt that I could no longer wait idly for my life force to automatically increase. It was too slow, so I specially requested my sister to give me special training. I will improve as much as I can."

“Not bad, very hardworking.” Han Xiao smiled and praised her. He raised his hand and rubbed Aurora’s head.

Aurora enjoyed it and even raised her head slightly to approach Han Xiao’s palm.

This time, Hila floated over with an expressionless face. She slapped Han Xiao’s hand away and said, “Why are you looking for me? If there’s nothing else, leave. The special training is not over yet. Don’t disturb us.”

Han Xiao rubbed the back of his hand, which had turned red from the slap, and smiled. “I’m here to tell you some good news. Feidin has already become a Beyond Grade A.”

Hila’s eyes flickered, but she was not surprised. She nodded calmly.

“It’s indeed a good thing. Please congratulate him on my behalf. However, it was only a matter of time before he reached this level.”

“Other than that, there’s another surprise for you. Feidin has found the legendary place where souls return to the dust, the Soul Terminal. He knows that your ability can devour souls to strengthen yourself, so he wanted me to ask if you’re interested in taking a look.”

Hearing this, Hila’s expression changed, and her eyes widened slightly. She finally had an emotional reaction.

She also knew about the legends of the Soul Terminal. The power of the dead was nourished by the soul, and she also yearned for this legendary place. However, this was only a guess. There was no eyewitness report of the Soul Terminal in history. If what Black Star said was true, Feidin should be the first person to discover it.

“Of course I’m interested! When are we going over?!”

Without any hesitation, Hila blurted out and instantly threw the thought of Aurora’s special training out of the window.

“Let’s go now. Feidin is already waiting for you at the training base.” “Then what are we waiting for? Hurry up!” Without hesitation, Hila took out a King suit and quickly put it on, signaling Han Xiao to activate it with Mechanical Force.

Han Xiao could not help but laugh. He also changed into a King and activated his Mechanical Force.

With a flash of lightning, the two of them disappeared.

Ten minutes later, Feidin brought Han Xiao and Hila to the Soul Terminal.

Looking at the inexhaustible soul fragments here, Hila revealed a rare look of shock and surprise. For a moment, she forgot how to speak, staring at the enormous Soul Nebula Vortex in a daze.

“How is this place? Does it help you?” Feidin asked.

Hila regained her senses and nodded. Her voice trembled with emotion,

“These soul dregs are very beneficial to me. My intuition tells me that this is the best place for me to cultivate!”

“As long as it’s useful. Since there’s no one here, you can stay as long as you want,” Feidin said with a smile.

“Thanks.”

Hila patted Feidin’s shoulder and rubbed it, repeating what Han Xiao usually did. Her eyes were fixed on the countless soul fragments, her eyes were burning.

At this moment, she decided without hesitation.

Until the World Tree enters the mainland, I will stay here. No one can take me away!

It was rare for Hila to be excited, but she felt like she had forgotten something.

At this moment, a despondent voice sounded in her mind.

“Sis... what about my special training?”

Errr, I told you I forgot something...

Hila’s expression froze, and she coughed.

“Ahem, things have changed. I won’t be going back for a while. You can practice by yourself first.”

This tone was more or less like a parent who had no choice but to coax a child when they were busy with work. It gave off the feeling of ‘you go play by yourself’. “Humph! I’ll train myself!”

Aurora shut off her mental voice.

I was abandoned just like that?

You promised to help me cultivate, but you ran away. Stupid Sister, I’m ignoring you!

The mental communication was cut off, but Hila did not care. She could not wait to get out of the spaceship.

Crash!

The Power Of The Dead gushed out, forming a scarlet tornado. It swept over the soul residue in the surroundings, crushing and disintegrating them, turning everything into pure soul energy that was swallowed into the Power Of The Dead to strengthen her Esper Ability.

Han Xiao’s eyes sparkled.

With such an opportunity, Hila will also be on the path of leveling up. I estimate that in ten years... no, in less than ten years, a new peak Beyond Grade A will appear. When she reaches this level, her combat strength will be greatly enhanced. With her strength, as long as she grows stronger, it won’t be a problem for her to resist two or three peak Beyond Grade As of the World Tree.

He rubbed his chin as he watched this scene. He secretly nodded and had high hopes for Hila.

Hila and Feidin stayed behind to cultivate, while Han Xiao returned to the training base and continued to train everyone according to the original plan. He began to research more on the Sanctums to the point that he was unable to extricate himself from it.

Feidin would come back every few days to give the students a buff.

Everyone was immersed in training every day, and their sense of time had become dull. In the blink of an eye, more than half a year had passed in the intense training.

The battle at the frontline was still going on intensely. The World Tree Army continued to advance despite the harassment of the three Universal Civilizations.

For the past half a year, the forums had been flooded with relevant information, and countless players were enthusiastically exchanging combat intelligence.

As for Han Xiao and the other Beyond Grade As, they were training at the back and had withdrawn from the frontline. They made use of the calm before the storm to increase their strength. Because they were not in the players' sights, there was not much to talk about the Beyond Grade As in the past half a year, hence they faded into the background.

The intensity of the war was equivalent to the frequency of combat missions. Many players in the frontline who were part of the suicide squad earned a fortune. Batch after batch of players reached the version limit of Lv180. Some of the extra experience was used to upgrade their skills, and some of it went to Han Xiao through consumption in the Black Star Army.

Thanks to the high rewards of the suicide mission, the players earned experience faster, which also indirectly shortened the time Han Xiao needed to accumulate experience.

It had not even been a year, but Han Xiao had already gathered enough experience to level up to 360. His efficiency was higher than expected.

After so many years, he finally had the chance to advance again. Han Xiao did not hesitate and chose a good day to come to an uninhabited planet in his territory. He was prepared to invest all his experience to level up and reach the threshold of a new Promotion.

#### Chapter 1382 The Difficulties of Promotion, The Universe's Vastness

A meteor tore through the dark universe and landed on a dark brown planet, on a barren mountain peak.

Flowing flames scattered, revealing Han Xiao's figure. He looked down at the endless dark brown land, then looked up at the sky with the mysterious aurora and nodded.

"Let's level up here."

Han Xiao focused, opened the interface, and poured all his hard-earned experience into leveling up. His level, which had been stagnant for a long time, finally shot up like a rocket. The interface notifications kept popping up. [Divine Throne Mechanic] leveled up to LV41. +500 Energy, +5 STR, +5 DEX, +18 END, +25 INT. You have received 20 Free Attribute Points, +1 Awakening Point.

[Divine Throne Mechanic] leveled up to Lv60 (max).+2,000 Energy, +5 STR, +5 DEX, +18 END, +25 INT. You have received 20 Free Attribute Points, +1 Awakening Point.

You have reached the upper limit of the main class. You have triggered the Class Advancement mission-[Godly Craftsman].

(Godly Craftsman): Have over 10000 blueprints. Accumulate 100 different Universal Treasure-level mechanical equipment.

You have reached level 360. You have triggered the Promotion Mission-[God Slayer's Trial].

[God Slayer's Trial]: Completely kill five Beyond Grade As who possess God's Trait Transformation, one from each of the five major classes – Pugilist, Esper, Mechanic, Mage, and Psychic.

“Wow, so ruthless.”

Han Xiao clicked his tongue.

The difficulty of the mission this time was countless times more difficult than the previous Promotion and Class Advancement. The difficulty was on a completely different level. Just the requirement of (Godly Craftsman) to create 100 different types of Universal Treasures was enough to make normal Mechanics dumbfounded. Even Han Xiao was still a distance away from this number. Although the Sanctum provided enough blueprints, he had yet to create all of them.

In addition, [God Slayer's Trial]'s requirement to kill five peak Beyond Grade As was extremely dangerous, and there was the word 'completely' in it. Han Xiao estimated that the individual lifeforms of the World Tree and the Underworld who could revive could not be counted. It was most likely that the deaths would not be counted if they did not enter the Sanctum, and the targets would probably have to be chosen from normal people.

Unfortunately... no matter how harsh the mission was, he had the Mission Completion Card!

Han Xiao had accumulated some Mission Completion Cards over the years to avoid this kind of Promotion Mission. Even if these two missions were more difficult, he would at most be surprised and not feel troubled.

“These two missions are too much. Luckily, I can skip them.”

Han Xiao heaved a sigh of relief and used the Mission Completion Card seriously. The two mission names turned into a 'completed' status with a golden font.

He originally thought that this would be like before, as soon as he completed the Promotion mission, it would be equivalent to a successful Promotion. However, the situation this time seemed to be different from the past, and the interface popped up with an unexpected message.

LV 360 Promotion Mission completed!

You can choose to advance at any time.

Remarks: This Promotion is extremely risky. There is a 90% to 96% chance that the Promotion will fail. If it fails, you will have to complete a new Promotion mission before you can advance again. At the same time, there is a chance that an unknown mutation will occur during the Promotion. There is a risk to your life.

Recommended to complete the conditions below before choosing to advance.

1. In this Promotion, your life form will be extremely unstable, and it will be extremely easy for you to mutate. What may happen will not be limited to infinite proliferation, gene collapse, cell independence, and cosmic assimilation. Therefore, you will need to use certain special items to stabilize your life form. This condition will be triggered during Promotion. Promotion success rate+33.3%, malignant mutation rate – 33.3%.
2. For this Promotion, you will need some external help. The strength of a single person will always be limited and one-sided. You will need four Supers of different classes as assistants, and they must activate the God's Trait Transformation of their Super system. The higher the level of the God's Trait Transformation, the better the support effect. This condition will be triggered during Promotion. Promotion success rate+33.3%, malignant mutation rate -33.3%.
3. For this Promotion, you need a Beyonders Vestige as a catalyst. When a Super who has completed the God's Trait Transformation attempts to reach a higher level, they might die from a malignant mutation. The life essence, soul consciousness, and core energy that dissipates during the Promotion will condense into the Beyonders Vestige and cannot be observed by normal life forms. Only Supers who are currently in this state will be able to obtain the corresponding perception. This condition will be triggered during the Promotion. Promotion success rate+33.3%, malignant mutation rate -33.3%.

Remarks: If all the conditions are not met, even if the Promotion succeeds, the grade will not change. If three conditions are completely triggered during the Promotion, the Apotheosis Promotion will begin. "It's actually like this..."

Han Xiao read the messages on the interface, and his eyes sparkled.

Before today, he did not know if he would be able to reach a new grade after the level 360 Promotion. Everything was just a guess. Now, he finally confirmed that he could indeed reach the new grade after this Promotion. Otherwise, there would not be so many changes.

This made him a little excited.

Han Xiao focused his mind on his body and could clearly feel that every cell was in a 'critical' state. As long as he wanted to, he could undergo his Promotion anytime. However, after looking at the warning notification on the interface, Han Xiao was also afraid that something would happen to his Promotion. He looked down at the content of the three conditions, and they were all in a gray 'not triggered' state.

He tried to use the Mission Completion Card on these three conditions but they did not complete like the Promotion Mission. The hint was that the Mission Completion Card was ineffective on the target.

"As expected, it won't work. It seems like there's no way to pull a fast one."

Han Xiao frowned before letting go. He was not too surprised. When he saw the three conditions, he had already guessed that the Mission Completion Card might not be useful on them.

The Mission Completion Card was a special item used on the interface, and it did not have a physical body. Its function was to skip the mission content and obtain the most basic reward on the interface. It would not change the external environment or create something out of thin air.

These three prerequisites required physical objects to assist in advancement. The Mission Completion Card could not change them, and these three conditions did not exist in the form of a mission.

However, the Mission Completion Card had skipped the previous Promotion Mission and saved him a lot of time. Furthermore, if he failed the Promotion and triggered a new Promotion Mission, he could still use the Mission Completion Card to pass it without spending any energy. Of course, it was best to complete the Promotion in one go. Han Xiao naturally did not want to fail. Since he could not take a shortcut to break through to the new level, to increase the safety of his Promotion, he could only focus on studying the three conditions carefully. Very soon, he had some ideas.

The first requirement was a special 'stabilizer'. It was probably because this Promotion would result in a life form reorganization, which was more intense than the past Promotions, which was why it was 'extremely unstable'. It was like melting a piece of steel and casting it into another shape, requiring a mold.

Han Xiao had a few ideas about this. Special items in the Information Form could be used as 'molds', but they would most likely require Universal Treasures. Normal Information Form objects might not work.

The other choice was to obtain the enhancement of some Universal Treasures with the 'Stable' trait. Han Xiao knew of a ready-made one, which was the church's National Treasure with the 'Unbreakable' trait. It should be able to achieve similar effects.

"However, this thing is on Wuornos, and it's a precious treasure of the Arcane Church. I wonder if they're willing to temporarily lend it."

Han Xiao shook his head.

The second condition was that he needed the help of the other four peak Beyond Grade As to advance.

If it was a civilization with insufficient individual strength, they might not even be able to gather enough people. However, the three Universal Civilizations should be considered prosperous in the universe, so there were enough strong people to choose from.

With his connections and the Sanctum's cohesiveness, it was not difficult to find four assistants. This should be the easiest of the three conditions.

However, the meaning of cooperation revealed by this condition made Han Xiao feel a little emotional.

Having grown to this stage alone, it seemed like this was the limit. Advancing seemed to no longer be a matter of one person. If one wanted to become a stronger individual, they needed more external help. The development of civilization also affected whether an individual could advance further.

In the vast universe, a person's strength was ultimately limited. Without external help, it would be very difficult to continue moving forward.

"So there is a limit to individual life forms?"

Han Xiao shook his head.

In addition, the requirement of gathering the other four classes also reminded Han Xiao of a saying from his previous life, which was that the five Super systems represented the five aspects of the true 'God'.

The Pugilist class represented the 'divine body', the Psychic class represented the 'divine soul', the Mage class represented the 'divine authority', the Esper class represented the 'divine ability', and the Mechanic class represented the 'divine weapon'!

This kind of statement was widely spread, but there was no actual evidence. However, after seeing this condition, Han Xiao felt that this statement might not be entirely false, at least there was some connection.

"Could it be that the new level combines the five elements?"

This thought subconsciously flashed past Han Xiao's mind, but he quickly shook his head and denied it. He felt that he was wrong.

The difference in the Energy Attributes of the five major systems was unlikely to be broken. Even if he broke through to the level of a 'True God', he would probably be a Specialist, so it should be impossible for him to be omnipotent.

Compared to the other four classes, he felt that the Mechanic class that represented the 'divine weapon' seemed to be special.

The development history of every civilization was the advancement history of tool evolution. This represented the fire of wisdom and the sprout of civilization. To a certain extent, knowing how to use tools was the biggest difference between intelligent life and wild beasts, and to the so-called 'Gods', it probably had a similar meaning.

If 'God' only used the power of the other four elements to fight, they would not be too different from fighting with their bare hands. At most, their moves would be different, and only magic and Esper abilities would have some special effects. However, using the so-called 'divine weapon' was equivalent to an ordinary person picking up a sword or firearm. The threat was completely different.



For example, if there were two max-level heroes-one unequipped, and the other fully equipped with ultimate equipment. Even if their skills were different, their strength would not be on the same level at all. In the many fairy tales that Han Xiao had read in his previous life, the status of 'magical equipment' was extremely high. It even represented one's strength, especially when it came to the primitive worlds.

In his opinion, the 'divine weapon' represented by the Mechanic class was most likely such a concept. Otherwise, the advantages of the Mechanics in the later stages would not be so obvious in front of the other four classes.

Han Xiao calmed himself down and collected his thoughts.

He had some ideas about the first two conditions, but the last condition made him a little frustrated.

The Beyonders' Vestige came from a peak Beyond Grade A who had failed to break through and died. In the explored universe where the three Universal Civilizations were located, the only Beyond Grade As who had similar experiences seemed to be the two sisters of life and death.

However, Onicelu had said that the two sisters of the previous generation were pursuing the true meaning of death, so they had actively died. Han Xiao did not know if that was an act of trying to break through to a new level.

Even if it was true, the bodies of the two sisters from the previous generation had already been burned by Onicelu like firewood, and the two Esper Abilities that held their Information Form were inherited by Hila and Aurora. He did not know if this was considered the so-called 'Beyonders' Vestige'. Even if it was, how should he use it? Could it be that he needed to extract their Esper Abilities?

Wait, if that was the case, if Hila and Aurora grew to this level in the future, wouldn't the third condition be completed for them?

"Tsk. Comparisons are odious."

Han Xiao's eyelids twitched.

He had once tried to use the Mark of The Underworld as a medium to revive the two sisters through Sanctum Revival, but he had failed in the end. They might still be alive, or they might have held back the Information Form and integrated it into their Esper Abilities, causing them to lose the Sanctum Revival. Now, Han Xiao had another guess-when a peak Beyond Grade A failed to break through the new level and died, would they be able to accept the Sanctum Revival?

Perhaps the information form records in the Sanctum had changed because of this, or the ones who failed to break through had survived in another unknown way, such as this so-called Beyonders' Vestige...

No one had stepped into the next level, and everything was filled with mystery. Han Xiao could only guess blindly. "However, the introduction said that only peak Beyond Grade As in my current state can sense the Beyonders' Vestige. I'll go to the Underworld later to verify it. If it's not, I'll probably have to search the entire universe. If it's the worst-case scenario..."

Han Xiao's eyes darkened.

The worst-case scenario would be that there was no such thing as Beyonder's Vestige in the current iteration. No one died if they failed to break through to the next level. If that happened, he would have to think of another way.

In any case, he had already decided to trigger as many conditions as possible. He had to overcome all difficulties.

After all, the remark mentioned that as long as one condition was missing, it would only be a regular Promotion, and there would be no way to break through. According to his understanding, this meant that he would not be able to obtain the bonuses of a new grade, and he would not be able to pull apart the fundamental difference like a Beyond Grade A and Calamity Grade Super.

Han Xiao calmed himself down and exhaled.

"No matter what, I have to test my perception of the Beyonder's Vestige."

After saying that, he calmed his mind and searched for the Beyonder's Vestige through the throbbing of his critical state.

Very soon, Han Xiao felt that his consciousness had fallen into an indescribable mystery. It was as if there was a thick fog in front of him, and blurry shadows could be seen in the fog.

After an unknown period of time, Han Xiao suddenly caught a flash of light. His eyes widened, and he finally found this feeling. The fog dissipated, and everything became clear.

Initially, he thought that his senses would be completely empty, and he would not be able to sense much of the Beyonder's Vestige. However, the moment he entered this perception vision, Han Xiao was shocked, and he knew that he was wrong.

Buzz!

In an instant, dozens of sensory sources appeared in his perception and spread out in all directions. However, he only knew the direction and not the distance. They were all Beyonder's Vestiges!

Han Xiao's eyes widened in shock.

Did this mean that there were at least dozens of peak Beyond Grade As from the unknown regions in the entire universe who had reached his level before and died because they were trying to reach a new level?

Han Xiao had mixed feelings.

The center of the story that I knew in my previous life was the three Universal Civilizations, but that did not mean that this was the center of the universe.

No matter how strong you were, there would always be someone stronger. At the places you could not see, how many more powerful civilizations were still thriving in the universe and how many things were happening?

No one in the explored universe had broken through to a new level. Was the vast unexplored universe the same?

Is this Iteration only at the early stage?

After a long time, he sighed.

“... The universe is really vast.”

## Chapter 1383 Deal

Han Xiao sighed, calmed himself down, and shook his head.

No matter how vast the unexplored universe was, or how many powerful unknown civilizations there were, it had nothing to do with him for the time being. The most important thing was to deal with the current problem. The focus was still on the war between the three Universal Civilizations and the World Tree.

As for the problem of Iteration, it was useless to think too much about it. He could not deal with it for the time being. “Although I can sense the existence of the Beyonder’s Vestige, I only know the direction and the distance is unknown. This is like finding a needle in a haystack.”

Han Xiao pondered.

However, the perception vision was dead, but the person was alive. It was not impossible to calculate distance. After all, the direction of the perception could barely be seen as a straight line. As long as one constantly changed their positioning, through the deviation of the perception line, one could still roughly estimate which one was closer.

However, at the scale of the universe, it was unknown how long it would take to shift the direction of one’s perception. It would most likely be based on Star Systems and Star Clusters. Although this method would take some time, it was still an effective method.

The only problem he had to worry about was that if the nearest Beyonder’s Vestige was not in the vicinity of the explored universe, it would take an unknown amount of time.

“No matter what, there are at least initial solutions for all three conditions. Let’s act according to this plan.”

Han Xiao was relieved.

The three conditions were of varying difficulties. The second condition was the easiest. He just had to communicate and activate the Face Fruit[1]. As for the third condition, he did not know how long it would take. He decided to start with the first condition and contact Wuornos.

Han Xiao immediately found Wuornos' private number and called him. In the previous battle, the two of them had gotten to know each other through fighting. After the battle ended, they exchanged private numbers.

The bell rang twice, and Wuornos' projection appeared on the screen. He was wearing a solemn robe as if his daily prayers had been interrupted.

"Black Star? What's the matter?"

Wuornos asked with an emotionless tone. Han Xiao smiled but did not immediately get to the main topic. "It's been a while since we last met, and I suddenly miss you."

"Is that so?"

Wuornos' expression was calm, and he was not swayed. He only looked at Han Xiao calmly and did not say anything, as if saying 'is our relationship that good?'

Han Xiao stroked his chin and said with interest, "Speaking of which, I've been curious recently. As the strongest member of the Direct Line, why didn't the church let you participate in the interception battle?"

"This is an internal secret. I can't tell you. If you're here to persuade me to join the battle, then forget it," Wuornos' tone was calm, "Do you have anything else?"

Tsk, so mysterious. Is the church worried that you will die in battle and lose their National Treasure?

Han Xiao thought to himself.

Seeing that Wuornos' attitude was neither cold nor warm, he did not continue to beat around the bush and spoke of his main goal.

"I came to you this time because I have something to discuss with you... I want to borrow the church's National Treasure."

Hearing this, Wuornos' eyes flashed, but he did not reject it immediately.

"What do you want to do with it?"

"I want to try to break through to the next grade. I feel like the church's National Treasure will come in handy." Han Xiao did not hide this goal.

"Oh? Are you going to try to take this step? As expected of the most talented Super in history..."

Wuornos' eyes lit up. He was not surprised but delighted. He sized Han Xiao up and smiled.

He had always thought highly of Black Star and felt that Black Star was the most likely person to open a higher level.

As long as a pioneer took a path, future generations would be able to follow it. Whether they succeeded or failed, they would become important references for future generations. Therefore, Wuornos was very happy to know that Han Xiao was breaking through to a higher level.

“From my personal point of view, I’m very happy to help you. Maybe you can become a pioneer in the path of individual strength exploration, and I can also benefit from it. There’s no reason to reject you...”

Wuornos smiled.

However, before Han Xiao could reply, he changed the topic and shook his head. “However, the church’s National Treasure is not my private property. If you want to borrow it, you’ll have to seek the Arcane Church’s approval. If they don’t agree, I won’t be able to lend it to you.”

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Hearing this, Han Xiao was not surprised and nodded.

“Of course, I understand. Help me tell the upper echelons of the church that the conditions can be negotiated. I need you to help me convince the upper echelons of the church.”

“...Alright, I’ll speak for you.”

Wuornos nodded and did not refuse.

Other than the upper echelons of the church, no one else could order someone like him to do things. However, seeing that Black Star was trying to reach a new level, he did not mind helping him. The two of them chatted for a while before Han Xiao hung up. The result of the initial negotiations was still acceptable, and Wuornos did not have any objections. In that case, he only needed to deal with the upper echelons of the Arcane Church.

Of course, the upper echelons of the church would not give in so easily. He had to take out some of the chips that they cared about. All he had to do now was wait for the church to come and negotiate.

On the other side, the Arcane Church, the Temple of Ten Thousand Gods.

After Wuornos received Han Xiao’s call, he quickly contacted the Pope.

With his identity, he could speak to the Pope directly. Very soon, the projection of the Pope appeared on the screen.

“High Priest, what’s the matter?”

The Pope was a little surprised. Wuornos seldom took the initiative to look for him. Usually, he was the one who called and gave the order. He was a little surprised to suddenly receive the call.

Wuornos had no intention of chatting and went straight to the point. “Black Star contacted me just now to borrow the church’s National Treasure. I contacted you to discuss it.”

The Pope was slightly stunned. He looked at Wuornos in surprise and almost could not believe his ears.

“Lend the National Treasure to an outsider ? Do you know what you’re saying ?”

“Black Star said we can negotiate.”

Wuornos’ tone was calm.

The Pope suppressed his emotions and asked with a frown,

“...Why does he want to borrow the National Treasure?”

“Black Star said that he wants to borrow the power of the National Treasure and attempt to break through to a new grade of individual strength.” “New grade? You mean above Beyond Grade A

Hearing this, the Pope was shocked.

This was big news. As the leader of the current Beyond Grade As, if Black Star could successfully establish a new level of individual strength, it would have an unknown and profound impact on battle with the World Tree.

In truth, because of Black Star’s record-breaking growth speed, the three Universal Civilizations were all prepared for Black Star to reach a higher grade, but they did not expect it to happen so quickly. After all, no matter how strong Black Star was, he had only stepped into the Beyond Grade A realm for a few decades. When compared to the lifespan of a Beyond Grade A, he was too young, at the stage of a baby or a kid.

“...You want to help him?”

The Pope’s tone sank.

Even if he wanted to borrow the National Treasure, he had to seek Wuornos’ opinion. Since he had come to help Black Star pass the message, he had most likely already agreed. This made the Pope a little unhappy.

Wuornos looked straight ahead and said calmly, “Why not? Isn’t it beneficial for our side to have an expert that goes beyond the norm?”

“That may be the case, but you know the significance of the National Treasure and the threat that Black Star poses...”

The Pope paused. Although he did not finish his sentence, his meaning was clear enough.

Due to the revelation of the truth behind the Sanctum Revival, the three Universal Civilizations were even warier of Han Xiao. Although the war was the most important now, they did not want to see Black Star continue to become stronger, especially since it was an unprecedented new grade. No one knew how powerful the strength at that grade was.

Furthermore, he had more considerations. During the exploration era, after the first Primordial One successfully broke through, the other Beyond Grade As appeared one after another. No one knew if Black Star stepping into the higher level would stimulate the growth of the other Beyond Grade As, and the importance of individual strength would increase.

Wuornos did not take it to heart and slowly said, “Based on my experience, it’s not that easy to break through to a new grade. Black Star is still in the experimental stage, and he can’t succeed without failing a few times. It’s still unknown if the National Treasure will come in handy, and his chances of failing are very high.”

The Pope narrowed his eyes and did not speak.

Seeing this, Wuornos paused and continued,

“...So, I feel that lending out the National Treasure might not give Black Star any benefits, but we will definitely be able to benefit from him.”

“Then what do you think we should propose?” the Pope asked.

“What I mean is to unseal the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter. It has been sealed for too long.” “Hmm... it’s not impossible.”

Hearing this, the Pope narrowed his eyes and pondered.

The Ten Thousand Deity Scepter had long been frozen by Han Xiao using the Spacetime Amber. Originally, it had been snatched away by the Federation of Light and returned in a joint operation. However, the Arcane Church’s research department was also unable to unseal it. They could only see that it could not be used. Currently, only Black Star could unseal it.

Releasing this Universal Treasure was still a little tempting. This was a powerful weapon that could kill individual strengths. It was useful both internally and externally.

This time, Wuornos struck while the iron was hot and said slowly, “I know you’re worried about accidents, but the National Treasure has already fused with me. Even if Black Star has other intentions, he won’t be able to do anything. The risk is very low, and in the current situation, the chances of Black Star turning against us are very low.”

As a member of the Arcane Church, he had a lot of authority, but he rarely made suggestions and usually did not care about anything. However, at this moment, he took the initiative to speak up for Han Xiao. He really wanted to facilitate the cooperation between the two parties and observe Black Star’s method to break through to a new grade.

Wuornos was rather curious about why Black Star felt that the church’s National Treasure would be able to help him break through to the new grade. He had been in possession of the National Treasure for so many years, but he had yet to discover it had this use. Could it be that the church’s National Treasure had some other function that he did not understand?

In the Underworld Dimension, a light flashed, and Han Xiao teleported over.

At this time, the two sisters were not there. Hila was cultivating in Soul Terminal. At first, Aurora was still stubborn and focused on cultivating, but later, she could not help but go to the Soul Terminal and let Hila supervise her special training while cultivating.

Therefore, of the four Beyond Grade A officers of the army, three were in the Soul Terminal, and only Lothaire was outside, training Karlot.

Han Xiao activated the Beyonder’s Vestige vision and quickly scanned the Underworld.

“There’s no Beyonder’s Vestige here... Looks like I’m overthinking. I’ll check with Hila and the others later.”

Han Xiao shook his head and sighed.

After he finished chatting with Wuornos, he immediately came here to look for clues. He planned to start by looking around him. If the outstanding people around him did not have the Beyonder's Vestige, he would then calculate the locations.

Beep beep beep

This time, the communicator rang again. It was Wuornos.

"He called back so quickly? It's only been a few minutes?"

Han Xiao picked up the call.

Wuornos appeared on the screen and said, "Black Star, the Arcane Church wishes to make a deal with you. We can lend you the National Treasure once, but you have to unseal the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter. Also, the Sanctum Revival will be free for the next three times."

"Woah, three free times is way too much. I'm only borrowing the National Treasure once. This price is too high. I think unsealing the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter is enough." Han Xiao did not mind the Sanctum Revival being free a few times, but since it was a negotiation, he had to fight for it.

The church's request for the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter was one of the few possibilities that he had come up with. Due to the war and other factors, he had already planned to unseal the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter, so using it as a bargaining chip was just right.

The two of them negotiated for a while and quickly came to a consensus. The price would be unsealing the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter and 30% off for the next three Sanctum Revivals.

"It's settled then. Let me know when you need to borrow the National Treasure."

"Alright. I might need your help with something else too. We'll talk when the time comes."

"Sure."

Wuornos hung up immediately. Han Xiao put down the communicator and pondered.

"This guy is really efficient. He's also very passionate about the higher levels, but he's so enthusiastic about helping me break through to a new grade. Could it be that he wants me to be a lab rat... Heh, no matter what he thinks, as long as I confirm that the church's National Treasure can be used as a 'stabilizer', the first request will be resolved. This is a good sign". Han Xiao revealed a relaxed smile. Luckily, he had the bargaining chip of Ten Thousand Deity Scepter in his hands and never used it. Otherwise, it would not have been so easy. [1] This is a slang used in China, based on the anime One Piece that has a Devil Fruit for all kinds of skill. In this case, it's for Face, since giving face is important to the Chinese

#### Chapter 1384 Beyonder's Vestige, Remnant Consciousness Body

After finalizing the conditions for borrowing of the church's National Treasure, Han Xiao spent a lot of time carefully calculating the distance of each Beyonder's Vestige, but the result shocked him.



He had originally thought that all the Beyonder's Vestige might be in the unexplored area of the universe. Because it was too far away, he could only estimate the distance. However, he did not expect to actually locate one of the sensory sources. It was very close, and surprisingly, it was in the Ancient Star Desert!

This surprised him greatly.

The most frightening thing was that all the Beyonder's Vestige were too far away. If that was the case, who knew how long it would take. He was all prepared to go on a long journey, but he did not expect a surprise. In this case, it would be much easier to achieve this Promotion requirement.

However, on top of being happy, Han Xiao was also very curious about which brother had left this legacy.

After obtaining the location data, Han Xiao did not delay and immediately set off for the Ancient Star Desert to find his target.

Ancient Star Desert, a desolate universe belt.

This was a space zone without any celestial bodies. Suddenly, there was a flash of dazzling starlight in the distance. A stream of hyperdrive light shot over from afar and stopped in the area, revealing Han Xiao in his mechanical suit.

"The location is near here. Speaking of which, there doesn't seem to be anything special here. Is there really no problem with the perception?"

Han Xiao thought to himself as he observed his surroundings. He only felt that this area was ordinary and did not have anything worth paying attention to. He did not notice anything unusual with normal Beyond Grade A perception as well. He calmed himself down and activated his Beyonder's Vestige perception vision to sense his surroundings. The originally normal environment suddenly changed.

A white mist of light appeared out of thin air, slowly changing shape, floating and moving, looking very inconspicuous.

"This is Beyonder's Vestige?"

Han Xiao was surprised.

If not for the fact that his senses were pointing at this ball of light, he would have thought that he was mistaken. The appearance of the Beyonder's Vestige was very different from what he had imagined. He had thought that it would be more gorgeous.

He focused his eyes and looked carefully. Suddenly, his eyes moved, and he realized that the fog was actually made up of particles with a very strange microscopic form. He had mastered so many techniques, but he had never seen such a particle before. He felt a strange sense of harmony from it, which made him think of the word 'perfect'.

“It’s said that the Beyonder’s Vestige condenses the life essence, soul consciousness, and core energy of the dead during their advancement. It’s equivalent to turning everything of a Super into this particle and retaining it in this form. This particle form might be the key to a higher level...”

Han Xiao murmured.

As a researcher, he did not touch this Beyonder’s Vestige immediately. Instead, he first recorded this particle form and stored it in an encrypted database. If anything happened during this trip, he could study it himself in the future.

After doing this, Han Xiao calmed down and let out a long breath.

“Done... Let me see what secrets the Beyonder’s Vestige has.”

As he spoke, Han Xiao reached out his hand and tried to touch the target. However, his hand passed through it as if the light was just a mirage.

He raised his brows and tried to use his energy to guide it again, but it was still ineffective. The Beyonder’s Vestige was still unaffected and continued to float.

With the attitude of experimenting, Han Xiao tried all kinds of methods, but the results were the same. Even (Bold Explorer) did not work. Only then did he finally confirm that there was no way to capture the Beyonder’s Vestige.

“It seems like even if the external environment changes, Beyonder’s Vestige will not be affected. Only living beings in my critical state can come into contact with it...”

Han Xiao recalled the experience of activating his perception vision back then. He felt the rhythm of the cells in his critical state, which was similar to meditation. His mind kept sinking into the deep sea of his consciousness.

After a while, Han Xiao suddenly felt a change. It was as if a ripple was spreading in his body, echoing throughout. It gave him a slight electric shock on the cell level, forming a resonance.

Han Xiao opened his eyes and touched the Beyonder’s Vestige once again. This time, he finally felt something solid. It felt like his palm was inserted into the core of a star, and it was extremely hot.

This Beyonder’s Vestige finally reacted. The light fog wrapped around Han Xiao’s arm and climbed up bit by bit. A suction force came from within, as though it wanted to slowly swallow him up. If it had been indifferent just now, it was now passionately surrounding him, not wanting Han Xiao to leave its body.

Just as Han Xiao was experiencing this feeling, this Beyonder’s Vestige seemed to have been stimulated. It suddenly shrank, then exploded with a loud bang. A dazzling light instantly gushed out and covered Han Xiao’s entire body.

His vision instantly turned into a white world.

“What is this?”

Han Xiao suddenly lost his sense of position and immediately tried to retreat. However, he realized that no matter how he moved, he could not walk out of this white world. The white light around him extended endlessly, as though there was no end to it.

“Was I brought to the alternate dimension?”

Han Xiao was shocked. He activated the King mechanical suit in his body and prepared to teleport.

However, at this moment, a spiritual body covered in blue light suddenly appeared from the void and floated not far in front of Han Xiao. Only its outline was visible, and the details of its appearance were covered by the dazzling blue light.

An ancient sigh followed.

“You’re finally here...”

A living person ?

Han Xiao was shocked. He stared at the blue spiritual entity and was shocked.

Just as he was about to ask about this person’s identity, a terrifying mental shockwave suddenly broke through the mental barrier and rushed into his brain!

At this moment, a sharp pain exploded from his brain and shook his soul.

Han Xiao pressed down on his head and clenched his teeth. He felt as if someone had thrown his brain into a blender.

He hurriedly opened the interface and saw that his health was depleting at an unbelievable speed. The damage notifications popped up and entered Han Xiao’s vision. He immediately understood the situation.

It was not that easy to obtain the Beyonder’s Vestige. If he wanted to absorb it into his body, he would have to endure an extremely high burden. While obtaining someone else’s inheritance, he would have to accept their ‘debt’.

According to the different causes of death of the Beyonder’s Vestige’s owner, the burden was also different. It was equivalent to the inheritor having to take the test and undergo a weakened version of the malignant mutation. It was the same type of danger as the Beyonder’s Vestige’s owner when he advanced.

This Beyonder’s Vestige’s owner died due to cosmic assimilation during his Promotion. The remaining soul consciousness had already partially fused with the universe consciousness, which resulted in a strong mental load. It contained the psychic impact of the universe consciousness, and its power was stronger than any Beyond Grade A mental attack that Han Xiao had ever experienced.

At this time, the spiritual entity finally spoke again.

“Since the impact has already begun, there’s no way to stop it. Either we succeed or we die.”

Han Xiao used all his strength to activate his recovery ability. Enduring the pain, he forced himself to focus and asked, "Who are you?"

"I'm just a product formed by my remaining soul consciousness. I'm no longer me. All that's left is my incomplete memories and personality, as well as the obsession that supports my existence," the spiritual entity said calmly.

"Are you the predecessor of this Beyonder's Vestige?"

Han Xiao's eyes twitched.

He had thought that the original owner had completely disappeared, but he did not expect that there would still be a remnant consciousness. Could it be that the other Beyonder's Vestiges were also the same? At this time, the spiritual entity shook its head and said,

"I died when I was trying to break through to a higher level, but for some reason, I did not die completely. I continued to exist in this form. So, this is called Beyonder's Vestige..."

He did not have the interface like Han Xiao, and did not know the reason and could not explain what had happened to him, nor did he know the secrets of the Beyonder's Vestige.

"What's your name?" Han Xiao could not help but ask. He was still curious about which Beyond Grade A in history this person was.

"Tyrsius," the spiritual entity replied.

Han Xiao quickly recalled and realized that there was no such person in history.

"Which era's Beyond Grade A are you? The exploration era or the Galaxy Calendar?"

"Beyond Grade A?" Tyrsius was confused. "What's that?"

Han Xiao was stunned for a moment before realizing something.

"Have you heard of the three Universal Civilizations? The Crimson Dynasty, the Federation of Light, and the Arcane Church..."

Tyrsius shook his head. "I'm from Planet Cree, a wanderer of the universe. I've never heard of the three Universal Civilizations."

Han Xiao's heart skipped a beat.

If this part of his memory was not incomplete, then this guy was not a Beyond Grade A from the explored universe, but a guest from the unexplored universe. The reason he appeared here was probably that the Beyonder's Vestige had slowly drifted over after his death.

However, at this moment, Tyrsius suddenly paused and said thoughtfully, "Wait, I seem to have some impression of the Westsandler Civilization that you mentioned. I think I passed by a Star System civilization like this."

Hearing this, Han Xiao was shocked.

Westsandling was the Federation of Light's real name. If what this guy said was true, then he might have guessed wrong. This guy did not float over after his death, but he is an extremely ancient existence that had come to this region before the Federation of Light rose.

Han Xiao's heart sank slightly. After receiving the Beyonder's Vestige perception, he had a vague guess that this might not be the early stage of the Iteration, and the origin of Tyrsius seemed to confirm this guess.

Right at this moment, the mental shockwave passed its peak and finally subsided. Han Xiao immediately felt much better. Although it was very dangerous, he could still endure it with his tankiness.

Han Xiao felt much more relaxed. Just as he was about to ask Tyrsius more details, he suddenly realized that Tyrsius' figure had become blurry. Tyrsius seemed to have expected this and took the initiative to explain.

"I died in the cosmic assimilation. If you can endure the burden, everything I left behind will be yours. When you succeed, it will be the day my remaining consciousness dies."

"You..."

"I died a long time ago, and this is also a relief for me. The steps to a higher level are often forged by the deaths of the predecessors, so don't worry about it."

Tyrsius was rather open-minded.

Hearing this, Han Xiao had a strange expression.

To him, Tyrsius was just a stranger who had suddenly popped out of nowhere. He did not have any relationship with him, so he naturally did not feel anything. He just felt that this encounter was a little unexpected. He still had many things he wanted to ask this guy.

Furthermore, he doubted if this remnant consciousness would really disappear if he absorbed the Beyonder's Vestige.

After all, one had to be wary of others. Han Xiao did not completely believe the other party's words.

## Chapter 1385 Coordinates

Just as he was about to say something, Han Xiao suddenly realized that a set of coordinates had appeared in his mind. It was a message from Tyrsius.

Han Xiao looked at Tyrsius in doubt.

"What coordinates did you give me?"

Tyrsius shook his head and sighed.

"My hometown is my lingering obsession. Although I was born on Planet Cree, I left very early. When I was young, I surpassed all my predecessors, broke all records, and became the strongest person in the

entire civilization. My civilization could no longer provide me with any help. To pursue a higher level of individual strength, I left the galaxy alone. This journey lasted countless years.

There were no worthy opponents in my hometown. I tried to find someone of my standard in the entire universe, hoping to learn from them. In my life as a wanderer, I spent most of my time with the desolate universe. I rarely met people, but I had seen strong and weak civilizations come and go. I would only make an appearance when I met powerful Supers, other than that, I would not interfere with the normal development of these civilizations. During that time, I only focused on the road ahead of me and wanted to become stronger and stronger. Even till the day I died, I did not return to my hometown even once.

I've been dead for many years and have been trapped here. I did not have any perception of the outside world and have long accepted reality. However, the only thing I can't let go of is my hometown. I have nothing to do here and the only thing I can comfort myself with is the incomplete memories of the past. It's just that my initial firm pursuit of a higher level and the wonderful experience of wandering the universe has become fainter, yet, the childhood times spent in my hometown have become more and more clear.

Back then, I could have chosen to stay and help build my hometown, but I was unwilling to do so. I wandered for the sake of a higher goal. But now, I miss my hometown more and more. So many years have passed, and I don't know how my hometown is now. You have inherited my Beyonders Vestige, so if it's convenient for you, I request you to go over and take a look for me. The coordinates I gave you are the location of Planet Cree. I hope you can take care of them for my sake."

After hearing his explanation, Han Xiao raised his brows with a strange expression. "Don't you know that it's best not to allow foreigners to come into contact with other civilizations? You don't know anything about me. Aren't you afraid that I'll bring people to invade if you give me the coordinates of your hometown?"

Tyrsius smiled faintly.

"You're the only person who has come in all these years. I'm about to die, so who else can I give it to if not you? Let's take the risk. There's nothing guaranteed in this world. Otherwise, I wouldn't have fought against my sense of danger to pursue a higher level and end up dying... Also, I don't think you're an invader."

"Making such a conclusion after only seeing me once is too hasty." Han Xiao shook his head. "I can help you take a look, but I won't promise anything. Also, I don't think a powerful Universal Civilization needs my care."

"You're mistaken. My civilization isn't particularly developed."

Tyrus sighed.

"You can withstand the impact of the cosmic assimilation, and I can feel how strong you are. On the other hand, I'm sure you think I'm very strong, but in fact, when I left my hometown, I was far from this state. At that time, it was very difficult for me to destroy a planet, and all my strength came from

constantly breaking through while wandering... The experience I accumulated should have been brought back to my hometown, giving birth to more experts, but unfortunately, I died, and all these plans came to an end.”

Hearing this, Han Xiao started to calculate.

It sounded like when Tyrsius first started wandering, his strength should have been between a high Calamity Grade and an ordinary Beyond Grade A. The latter was more likely, and he had ascended to the peak of the Beyond Grade A realm step by step during his long and lonely journey. He had felt the existence of a higher level, and he had reached this step without any experience.

Looking at it this way, Tyrsius is also an extremely talented individual, probably not inferior to me... ahem, not inferior to all the genius Supers in the history of the three Universal Civilizations.

If what the other party said was true, then their civilization should be like a remote village, not as strong as he had imagined. However, a genius had appeared there, just like how Planet Aquamarine had produced him.

If Tyrsius had managed to return to his hometown with his experience and insights, there might have been another civilization with a relatively advanced individual strength in the universe.

Thinking about it this way, the Supers born in the three Universal Civilizations were lucky. There were many strong people here, and there were many opponents that they could exchange pointers with. As for a small civilization like Tyrsius', if they wanted to find opponents, they could only travel far away and be a lonely Pathfinder. While he was thinking, the interface suddenly pinged.

(You have triggered the mission: Shadow of the Past!)

[Mission Introduction: In order to explore the path ahead, Tyrsius wandered the universe alone and never returned to his hometown. He wants you to take a look on his behalf.] [Mission Requirements: Arrive at Planet Cree]

[Reward: 2,000,000,000 Experience, 1 Character Summon Card]

“I got a Mission...”

Han Xiao's heart skipped a beat.

He did not know if his nature was so open and sincere, or if he felt liberated, or if he had special feelings for his successor.

Tyrsius' figure was getting fainter and fainter, almost disappearing. He did not mind and only smiled.

“It seems like my time is almost up. After so many years of loneliness, I'm satisfied to have someone to talk to at the end of my journey...”

Han Xiao looked at him muttering to himself. Although it was an unexpected encounter, this first time was also the last. Originally, Tyrsius' wandering knowledge was a precious channel to understand more unknown civilizations, but there was not enough time.

However, at this moment, Tyrsius seemed to have thought of something, before whispering,

“By the way, let me give you a piece of advice. If you meet a civilization called the World Tree one day, you’d better run as far as you can...”

Han Xiao was stunned, his face changing rapidly. However, before he could ask about the details, Tyrsius’ figure completely disappeared, leaving only a faint sigh. “I’ve never left anything for the civilization in my life. What a failure...”

The blue figure in front of Han Xiao turned into light particles and disappeared.

At the same time, the mental burden that was getting weaker and weaker finally stopped.

The white alternate space in front of him suddenly collapsed, and Han Xiao was left in a daze. He realized that his vision had returned to the main material universe, and he was still there, having not moved at all.

The Beyonder’s Vestige had already fused into his body and was fully assimilated, but it did not have any further reaction with him. Even though Han Xiao had gotten the Beyonder’s Vestige, he did not feel too excited about that, only secretly feeling a headache.

“To stop speaking halfway at the most crucial point, you really need to be beaten up. You should have told me about the World Tree Civilization earlier...”

Han Xiao was resigned, he had no choice and could only complain.

After all, Tyrsius did not know that they were fighting the World Tree Civilization. If not for the other party mentioning it, he would not have known that Tyrsius had met the World Tree Civilization before.

“It sounds like this guy has seen the aggressiveness of the World Tree. Maybe they have crossed paths before. Would the World Tree still remember this guy?”

Han Xiao pondered.

Very soon, he shook his head and put this matter aside for the time being. He turned around to study the Beyonder’s Vestige in his body. This was his main goal.

After absorbing the Beyonder’s Vestige, his strength did not change at all. He could only sense its existence at any time as if it was simply absorbed by his body. This vestige should only be activated during the Promotion and become a catalyst for his Promotion. He roughly guessed that regardless of whether the Promotion succeeded or not, the Beyonder’s Vestige would be consumed. This was a one-time use item.

“The higher levels require the skeletons of the predecessors... Tsk, turn into a salary and burn yourself to benefit the future generations. No matter what, I owe you a favor.”

Han Xiao exhaled.

Although he was dead, Han Xiao still remembered this favor. The next time he entered the Sanctum, he planned to see if he could revive this guy, but the chances were very low.



As someone who left a Beyonder's Vestige, Han Xiao did not know if he had left an Information Form like the two sisters in the past. Even if he died now, he might not be able to benefit from the Sanctum Revival. Han Xiao only planned to do his best.

This time, Han Xiao suddenly thought of something and smiled. "Speaking of which, in the explored universe, this is the only piece of the Beyonder's Vestige that was the easiest to obtain. If Wuornos reaches this level one day, he can only search for other Beyonder's Vestiges."

Han Xiao was amused.

Since Wuornos was so willing to help him advance, he might have intended to use him as a guinea pig to explore the path, but he did not know that the only advanced material in the area was lost to him. Perhaps Wuornos did not have a notification on the interface, so he could not dig out the sensing of the Beyonder's Vestige, or maybe he did not enter the critical state and was still stuck on the mission. Anyway, he had been practically camping below a treasure unawares. In the end, he lost that treasure to Han Xiao instead.

Feeling the Beyonder's Vestige in his body, Han Xiao smiled. Although he was a little surprised, he still managed to obtain a Vestige in the end. It went better than he had expected. It was not in vain that he had gathered so many mascots in the army.

This way, out of the three advancement requirements, he would only have to find four pretty boys to help him.

Han Xiao's nerves finally relaxed. He then started to think about the coordinates of Planet Cree sent by Tyrsius.

"There will definitely be risks if I rashly come into contact with an unknown civilization. Although Tyrsius said that his civilization isn't strong, that's all in the past. Now that so many years have passed, they might have become a powerful Universal Civilization. Furthermore, we can't rule out the possibility of Tyrsius lying..."

After thinking for a while, Han Xiao still felt that he had to go and take a look. He could come and go as he pleased with the King, thus he planned to send out his Lord's Avatar like a real Mechanic to take a look. He did not plan to take the risk himself.

On one hand, he wanted to complete the mission and see what would happen next. On the other hand, he felt that the civilization of Tyrsius might be a potential ally, and they might be able to fight the World Tree together. After all, the World Tree's style and mechanism could be said to be the public enemy of most intelligent civilizations.

Two days later, in a certain Federation of Light military base in the Ancient Star Desert.

A Multi-Dimensional Sky Opening Transportation Device was slowly heating up, and a Lord's Avatar shell was waiting in the teleportation area. Han Xiao was watching from afar in the base with the respectful senior officer beside him.

Han Xiao's Face Fruit had already reached the Large Success stage. There was no chance of being rejected if he borrowed the Multi-Dimensional Sky Opening Transportation Device from the Federation of Light.

Looking at the two gigantic mechanical rings spinning rapidly and turning into a halo, Han Xiao could not help but sigh.

“Your Multi-Dimensional Sky Opening Transportation Device is truly a convenient invention. As long as you have the coordinates, you can go anywhere in the universe.”

“Indeed. This is the highest technological achievement of our Federation of Light.” The base commander straightened his back with pride.

“Impressive. Can I bring it back for research?”

“This... Please don’t make things difficult for me.” The senior officer was stunned and smiled bitterly.

Han Xiao smiled and did not tease this officer anymore. He activated his Lord’s Avatar.

At this time, the power of the teleportation device reached its peak. Suddenly, light exploded, and the Avatar disappeared.

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Han Xiao’s vision changed, and he arrived outside the atmosphere of a planet. Before him was a dark green planet. Satellites were floating in the orbit of the planet. They did not seem to have any problems on the surface, but with a quick glance, Han Xiao could tell that these satellites had not been repaired for many years. They had all been corroded and turned into scrap metal. Vegetation covered the entire surface of the planet, and with a rough glance, he could not see any signs of a civilization city. Furthermore, there were no signs of life. It gave off a desolate feeling of decline.

Only a single brown metal tower was eye-catching. Looking down from outer space, it looked like this planet was wearing a small pointy hat. Looking at the ratio, one would know that this metal tower was extremely huge when looking at it from surface level.

It looked very rough, like countless metal objects of different shapes stacked together. The structure was loose, like a huge garbage mountain.

“This is Planet Cree? Looks like something happened...”

As Han Xiao was pondering, his pupils suddenly constricted, and he quickly adjusted his vision mode. His sight expanded rapidly, and he locked onto a small black dot that was slowly moving halfway up the metal tower.

It was a robot covered in rust, carrying a metal fragment that was many times larger than itself on its back. It slowly climbed up the steep path toward the top of the metal tower. In Han Xiao’s vision, it was the only moving thing

Han Xiao controlled the Lord’s Avatar to descend in front of the robot and revealed himself.

However, this robot did not seem to notice him and walked past him. When he passed by, Han Xiao could still hear the robot repeating the same word over and over again.

“Bury it... Bury it...”

## Chapter 1386 Calamity of Technology, Psionic Wave Transmitter

“It looks like a low-level artificial intelligence... no, it might also be a mechanical body without any artificial intelligence. Furthermore, its technology level is low, not exceeding the upper limit of a Star System civilization...”

Han Xiao watched as the robot passed by him. With his experience, he could tell the technology level of this robot with a single glance.

He raised his hand slightly and aimed at the back of the transport robot. A magnetic force was released from his palm.

Buzz!

The robot flew backward uncontrollably and attached itself to the Lord’s Avatar’s hand. It was unable to move, and only its hands and feet could still move. It was like a turtle whose shell had been grabbed.

A few tiny blue snake-like electric arcs followed the arm of the Lord’s Avatar and quickly swam to the surface of the robot’s body, entering its body through the gaps in the armor. He immediately read the current state of this robot. Only its basic functions were still operating with difficulty. Most of its parts were severely damaged, almost to the point of being scrap.

At the same time, the item introduction popped up on the interface, and Han Xiao took a look.

(7-5 Transport Robot]: Arthur Civilization’s common transport-type bionic robot. Low artificial intelligence, possesses strong biochemical tendons and engineering mechanical components. Has magnetic devices and simple self-defense weapons. Commonly used for land transportation.

Remark: This machine is manufactured in Meg Corporation’s Workshop No. 5 of Planet Cree. Product Number: TOV-2144687M—“Good machine, beauty pageant!” “An ordinary transport robot?”

Han Xiao was curious. He used his Mechanical Force to hack into the unprotected chip and quickly copied the logic code and memory log.

The basic codes that the other party used were not related to the explored universe, but they were not difficult for Han Xiao. He easily analyzed them and understood most of them.

A series of deciphered codes appeared in Han Xiao’s quantum network vision. He quickly browsed through them and realized that the basic logic was the transportation robot code format that had no abnormalities. It should have had low artificial intelligence, but because there was no one to maintain it for a long time, there were some malfunctions in the data, causing the artificial intelligence level to decrease. It could barely maintain the core logic and carry out a long-term order.

This order was to bury a special machine, but in the database of a low artificial intelligence transport robot, there was naturally no detailed explanation of the purpose of this machine and why it was buried.

From the data of this transport robot, Han Xiao could only see the appearance and position of this machine. It looked like the peaks of two pyramid-shaped objects were connected, like an hourglass placed horizontally. The location was below this metal tower.

The memory log, on the other hand, was intermittent. Due to the malfunction, there was a large number of gaps, and there were not even timestamps. He could only tell the time by the height of the metal tower in the transportation robot's memory. The height in the earliest memory file was about a quarter of the current height of the metal tower. This robot was already alone at that time.

Most of the memories of the transport robot were of 'building' this metal tower. The other memories were of searching for spare parts in the warehouse of the abandoned factory, changing the heavily damaged parts of its body, and charging them.

"Why does this look so familiar..."

Han Xiao stroked his chin. He felt like he had seen something similar in an old movie in his previous life.

Other than these things, there was nothing else of value in this robot. Han Xiao turned off the magnetic device, and the robot fell back to the ground. The metal fragment on its back also fell to the side, following the metal tower.

The transport robot stayed on the spot for two seconds and did not bother about Han Xiao. It turned around and walked down the mountain as if it was looking for new 'building material', as though nothing had happened.

Han Xiao watched it disappear before looking at the interface.

At this time, the [Shadow of the Past] mission had been completed, and Han Xiao immediately calculated. There was a small amount of experience and a Tyrsius Character Summon Card. The ability was called 'Mind Cleanse', and its effect was to expel one's negative status. It could only be used three times at most, which was quite useful.

At the same time, a new mission popped up.

You have triggered the mission [Secret of Extinction]!

Mission Introduction: You agreed to Tyrsius' request and came to his home planet, Cree, but something seems to have happened here.

Mission Requirements: Find out the reason behind the extinction of Arthur Civilization.

Reward: 5 Billion EXP, 1 Awakening Point

"This civilization is extinct?"

Han Xiao was stunned.

He immediately felt that the destruction of the civilization was most likely related to the unknown mechanical device that was suppressed under the metal tower.

However, Han Xiao thought about it and did not bother. With a flash, he turned into a stream of light and escaped. Very soon, he stopped in front of an abandoned factory. It was the headquarters in the memory of the transport robot.

It looked like a large mechanical factory, but it was covered in vegetation. The surrounding ruined buildings were all covered by dense trees.

Han Xiao looked at it, and with a wave of his hand, a gale swept away the vegetation and dust on the factory door, revealing a sign written in unfamiliar words.

“This is probably the factory of that Meg Corporation, the place where that robot was produced...”

Han Xiao could not understand the language of this civilization and guessed.

He walked in with large strides and saw that the scrapped assembly lines were neatly arranged, with some unfinished transport robots hanging on them. It looked like they had suddenly stopped working.

Han Xiao looked around and realized that all the energy equipment in the factory had been destroyed. The damage seemed to have been caused by an electromagnetic pulse. The only thing that was still working was a charging station, but the wires buried underground had been dug out and connected to a small, crude generator.

He had originally wanted to see if the factory mainframe had a more detailed database, and it would be best if he could find the star map of this civilization’s territory. However, the chipset of the factory mainframe had also been destroyed and could not be turned on. Furthermore, all the data had been wiped out, and nothing could be found.

“From the looks of it, all the equipment in this factory seems to have been damaged by an impact that can destroy electrical and energy devices. They were instantly destroyed.”

Han Xiao summoned his mechanical army and searched the entire planet. Very soon, he found the remains of cities covered by plants. All the energy and electrical devices were in the same state.

Furthermore, not only were there no intelligent life forms on this planet, there were no beasts or insects to be seen either. It was as though all life forms other than plants were extinct.

In addition, in some city residences, there were bowls and plates of food on the table, and clusters of rotten clothes were scattered on the ground. All signs indicated that the life forms on the entire planet seemed to have disappeared at the same time. “What happened? Everyone disappeared overnight. It seems like that transport robot was the only survivor...”

Han Xiao was even more curious.

He turned around and returned to the metal tower. His entire body was wrapped in the repulsion force field, and he immediately entered the bottom of the tower. He walked forward with large strides, and the pile of metal waste in front of him was smoothly pushed to the side, creating a path.

Not long after, he walked to the central area and saw a pile of construction debris. It had been crushed by a mountain of trash, and there were all kinds of experimental equipment scattered around. It seemed to have once been a research base.

A scanning light shot out from the Lord's Avatar's eyes, and it immediately saw a large space underground. It looked like an underground base in the past, but it was also crushed by the huge weight above and filled with metal scraps.

After scanning for a while, he finally locked onto the target. The hourglass-like unknown device was pressed into the trash pile, making it difficult to distinguish it.

Han Xiao released his Mechanical Force, and this unknown device slowly floated up and into his hands. He then left the metal tower and returned to the outside world.

Mechanical Force seeped into the unknown device, and Han Xiao could feel the internal structure. He realized that he could not understand this technology, and many parts had been damaged and destroyed after being buried for a long time.

Han Xiao looked at the item introduction.

[Psionic Wave Transmitter-Prototype (Damaged)]: Function unknown.

"Psionic Wave?"

Han Xiao raised his brows and started to think.

He had a feeling that this concept of 'psionic waves' was not the same as the 'psionic waves' and 'psionic impact' of the explored universe. He did not know what was going on at the moment, but he could roughly guess how the Arthur Civilization went extinct. Research involving psionic energy had always been extremely dangerous, and many civilizations had been doomed because of it.

After pondering for a few seconds, Han Xiao used (Bold Explorer) on this thing. The last time he used it on Beyonder's Vestige, the notification was that it was ineffective on the target and did not successfully cast it, so it did not enter a seven-day cooldown period.

Buzz!

Han Xiao's vision suddenly changed, and he arrived at a research institute.

The psionic wave transmitter was suspended in midair, covered by a transparent container. There were tubes connected to it, and below it was a huge pile of equipment. Countless researchers in uniform were busy adjusting the parameters.

A senior officer who looked like the person in charge waved his hand and said something. The other researchers pushed the lever and activated the switch. Energy flowed into the psionic wave transmitter. Not long after, the space on both sides of this hourglass-shaped device began to vibrate. The air distorted like invisible ripples, but it was restrained within a small area.

All the researchers present were overjoyed.

However, the next moment, something happened!

The ripples on both sides of the device suddenly broke through the constraints, and a light blue ring-shaped shockwave spread out, passing through the inner wall of the container and quickly sweeping

across the entire room. All the devices exploded, and the energy devices were instantly paralyzed. The entire room immediately turned black.

The researchers that were swept by the shockwave were all killed in the blink of an eye, turning into ashes without a sound, leaving only empty clothes on the ground. At this moment, Han Xiao's vision suddenly zoomed out and arrived at the outer space of the planet that overlooked the entire planet. It turned into a macro perspective, and he saw a blue shockwave explode on the surface of Planet Cree, sweeping across the entire planet. The brightly lit cities instantly darkened, and countless unaware citizens turned into dust.

No one on the entire planet survived!

However, this was not the end. Han Xiao could clearly see that this light blue shockwave that destroyed all electrons, energy equipment, and life forms did not weaken. It spread far into the universe with Planet Cree as the center, quickly disappearing from his sight.

After seeing this, Han Xiao's vision returned to normal, and the effect of the skill ended.

"As expected, it's because of this thing. I thought that Tyrsius was lying to me, but his civilization really isn't that advanced. They can even destroy themselves by researching psionic energy, but it doesn't seem right to say that their technology isn't good. The psionic wave transmitter they created is probably some kind of advanced technology..."

Han Xiao fiddled with the device in his hands in shock.

After watching the video, he had a rough idea of how this device worked.

The Primordial Psionic Energy itself could assimilate, devour, absorb, and transform various forms of energy. Once it exploded, it would expand endlessly, swallowing everything

However, the psionic wave transmitter created by the Arthur Civilization could destroy certain forms of energy without devouring any matter. It could also absorb some of the energy to maintain its own expansion. A normal psionic energy explosion was a solid energy cluster, but this 'psionic wave' was just a ripple.

However, there were also some things that Han Xiao did not understand. He did not understand why the other materials were not damaged, but the life forms were destroyed. In short, there were still many unknowns about this technology. "It seems to have a lot of research value. Maybe it can become an important combat technology for me."

Han Xiao was in a good mood. He did not have any plans for this trip, but he did not expect to gain something unexpected.

He had a feeling that this psionic wave technology was more powerful than he had expected.

The [Secret of Extinction] on the interface also showed that it was completed. The normal way was to look for clues everywhere, but he had the [Bold Explorer] and completed the mission.

The experience reward did not matter. One Awakening Point was better than nothing. However, it was very easy and did not take much effort. The biggest reward was this special psionic wave technology. Just as Han Xiao was feeling happy, he suddenly heard a familiar voice beside him.

“Discovered a stranger approaching the mission target. Permission to use a stun gun!”

Han Xiao turned around and saw that the broken transport robot had returned to the foot of the mountain. It raised its mechanical arm toward him, and two firearms shot out from its wrist. Without saying a word, it pulled the trigger at Han Xiao.

Ka ka ka...

Han Xiao had long known that these two rusty firearms were useless, and they could not shoot anything at all. However, the transport robot did not seem to have noticed it, and it continued to pull the trigger in vain.

Han Xiao raised his brows, took a step to the left, and the muzzles of the transport robot followed him. He took another step to the right, and the muzzles turned around again, facing him.

Looking at the robot pulling the trigger, Han Xiao felt that it was a little cute.

“Forget it, I won’t dismantle you.” Seeing that it was not a threat at all, Han Xiao ignored it. He summoned more exploration-type mechanical soldiers and waved for them to leave, searching for other planets in this universe to see if there were any survivors of the Arthur Civilization. He wanted to find the history of this civilization as well as the records of Tyrsius’ deeds. After all, there were still many things that he had yet to understand. However, he could just let the mechanical soldiers do this for him. After all, he was a Mechanic and he did not have to do such troublesome things himself.

After doing all this, Han Xiao looked back at the transport robot. Seeing that it was still pulling the trigger, he could not help but smile.

“Speaking of which, I don’t know what kind of luck this little guy has to be able to survive the psionic waves. He might be the only survivor of the entire Arthur Civilization. Since I promised Tyrsius to take care of his hometown, I can’t ignore you...”

Han Xiao thought for a while and suddenly released a stream of Mechanical Force, which landed on the transport robot. The robot froze on the spot, and its appearance and structure changed rapidly. It gradually turned into the shape of a human, and the rust fell off.

At the same time, wave after wave of mechanical particles poured out from Han Xiao’s hands and landed on the other party’s body. The material of the mechanical suit was quickly strengthened.

Not long after, the transformation stopped. The appearance of this transport robot had changed drastically. It was covered in silver armor and had a streamlined shape. Its body was slender and long, and energy circuits that emitted a faint fluorescent light could be seen on its body. It was as if it had gone from a chibi to a realistic concept art.

“That’s enough.”

Han Xiao nodded and retracted his Mechanical Force.

He gave life to this transport robot, turning it into a mechanical life form. At the same time, he had greatly improved the other party’s body and added many new functions. He had also stored some knowledge of the Star System Civilization’s technology tree into the other party’s database. However, he



did not rewrite the core logic of the other party. He only perfected the other party's intelligence on the original basis and did not leave his mark on the other party.

With his current abilities, the first-generation Mechanical Life that he had personally modified had extremely high-performance bonuses.

Han Xiao did not plan to take this robot with him because he owed Tyrsius a favor. As for whether this robot would be able to grow a new flower of civilization on the ruins of Planet Cree after receiving his gift, that was not his concern.

Looking up at the soaring metal tower, Han Xiao had mixed feelings. After knowing the situation, this metal tower seemed to have a special meaning. In his eyes, this metal tower that looked like a building that had become the tombstone of a civilization.

"The advancement of technology is also a disaster..."

Han Xiao sighed. He then glanced at the transport robot before changing into King and disappearing with the psionic wave transmitter.

The transport robot did not seem to have noticed anything. It stood there in a daze for a long time before finally coming back to its senses. It looked down at its body, which had changed drastically, and seemed very confused.

The electric current on the motherboard seemed to have created sparks in its mind. It murmured to himself,

"What... am I?"

## Chapter 1387 Race Evolution!

A few days later, in the Black Star Army territory. Five figures were floating above a desolate planet. Four of them were staring at a black-robed figure. "Black Star, are you kidding me? You want us to help you break through to a higher level?"

Kasuyi was surprised.

"Do I look like I'm joking?"

Han Xiao asked in return. After returning from the Arthur Civilization, he immediately contacted four peak Beyond Grade As and invited them to help him with his cultivation. Wuornos had agreed long ago to represent Espers. The other three classes were Kasuyi, the old dragon, and Sierron, who did not have a deep relationship with them. The Pugilist class was relatively weak at the high end, and there were not many strong people. Putting aside the Revivors, Sierron was already one of the rare cards. Although Han Xiao preferred Karlot at his peak, he had yet to grow fully, there was no need to wait for him. He just needed to find Sierron to make up for the loss.

In the past, during the Hila Rescue War, he and Sierron had some conflicts, but after experiencing all kinds of storms together with the association, their relationship had returned to normal. This guy was not a direct descendant of the Universal Civilizations and had always been on the side of the association. Now that he was also a vice president, he could be trusted.

“You can always do unexpected things.”

The three of them shook their heads helplessly.

When they received Han Xiao’s invitation a few days ago, they were all equally shocked. They did not expect Black Star to be able to reach a higher level without saying anything, opening up the path of individual strength.

At first, they thought that Black Star was joking with them, but after confirming it, again and again, they realized that Black Star was serious.

Because they had a good relationship with each other, although the three of them were surprised, they agreed to the invitation and prepared to help. What surprised them was Black Star’s method of advancement.

“Speaking of which, what can we help you with? Shouldn’t this sort of thing be done alone?” Milizaus was confused.

In his mind, breaking through to a higher level and ascending to the next level was something that one could only do by themselves. Since when did one need help?

“Of course, I have my reasons.” Han Xiao did not explain the reason, and it was difficult for him to explain.

Wuornos pondered.

“The five of us have different Super systems. Could it be that your idea is to combine the five elements...”

Han Xiao interrupted him and waved his hands.

“Why are you asking so many questions now? Since you’re already here, just follow the plan and wait for the final result.” Hearing this, Wuornos stopped talking. However, he kept thinking about it in his mind and was secretly surprised by Han Xiao’s performance.

He was very puzzled. The method to reach a higher level should be a mystery to everyone, and Black Star did not look like he had tried it many times. However, why did this guy look so confident? Why did he have such a thought? He borrowed the Church’s National Treasure and asked a few people for help...

Furthermore, attempting a promotion should be risky. Why was Black Star using such a bold method? Was he not afraid? Did he not sense the danger of this Promotion?

Various thoughts flashed through Wuornos' mind. In the end, he shook his head and did not intend to remind Han Xiao.

In any case, this was Black Star's Promotion. He looked very confident, so there was no need for Han Xiao to kindly remind him. He would just wait and see. Even if Black Star failed, the experience would still be able to broaden his horizons.

Thinking about this, Wuornos pressed his palm against his chest and phased through it. He took out a ball of soft white light and threw it at Han Xiao.

"This is what you want. I'll lend it to you."

Han Xiao reached out to take it. He looked down at this Arcane Church weapon. It was different from what he had expected. It was just a ball of light.

Its main user was beside him, so it was not convenient for him to study it closely. Han Xiao pressed the Arcane Church device on his chest, and the white light quickly fused into his body. A special energy immediately surged out and covered his entire body. He felt that his cells in his critical state immediately became much calmer.

Han Xiao glanced at the interface. The first Promotion requirement had turned golden, and it was now labeled as "Activation Triggered".

"Then I shall begin."

Han Xiao nodded at the others and floated a distance away before landing on the surface of the planet.

Watching his figure shrink into a black dot, Sierron turned to look at the people around him and asked,

"Do you think he will succeed?"

"If it was that easy, I would have entered a higher level long ago." Wuornos shook his head and said calmly.

Buzz!

At this time, in everyone's perception, space suddenly shook, and a shocking energy wave burst out from the planet!

In just an instant, the entire planet exploded into a huge hole, and the molten fluids in the core gushed out and scattered across the galaxy. Then, the planet suddenly exploded!

Bang!

Amidst the debris and light, Han Xiao's voice did not move at all. It was continuously emitting shocking energy waves, and his aura was rising rapidly.

"It's starting!"

The eyes of the four of them focused, and they immediately followed the plan. They released their energy. It passed through the fragments of the planet and entered Han Xiao's body.

Han Xiao was bathed in the light, and the cells in his body started to go berserk. He felt like his body was going to separate and reform at any time.

However, the Church's National Treasure floating in his chest released fluctuations at a fixed frequency, engulfing his entire body and allowing his body to maintain its original structure.

Strangely, though the different energies sent out from his four helpers should have been ejected, at this moment, they were not repelled. Instead, they seemed to have been absorbed and quickly merged into his cells.

At the same time, the Beyonder's Vestige that had been dormant for many days suddenly glowed brightly and started burning fiercely, releasing all the energy. It immediately caused the speed of advancement to spike and soar rapidly. The feeling of pain and exhilaration assaulted Han Xiao's mind time and time again. He struggled to control his vision and glanced at the interface, only to see that the notifications were flooding in.

(Level 360 Promotion has been activated!)

(You have reached the prerequisite for Promotion: 3/3)

(You have activated the Apotheosis Promotion!)

(The new Grade can be unlocked!)

(Due to the Apotheosis Promotion, +160 Basic END Bonus increased to +480! Current 1 END = 1170 Health = 1180 Stamina)

Your (God's Trait Transformation.Machinery) has reached the maximum level. You have been awarded an additional Life Level Promotion!

[Detecting your race: Black Star Race (Exclusive race, irreplaceable)] [Detected that your evolutionary route (Void) has reached the limit, there is no higher Life Level to promote to]

[Detected that you are undergoing Apotheosis, conventional optimization is cancelled — would you like to proceed with evolving your Exclusive Race?]

[..... Evolution confirmed, [Black Star Race) has now evolved to become (Black Star God Race), your life level has been promoted, your genes strengthened. You have obtained additional Attributes: +2140 STR, +1705 DEX, +2600 END, +3440 INT, +3052 MYS, +1024 CHA and +26200 Energy. The bonuses provided by your Energy Attribute Realm has been strengthened)

(Your Black Star God Race exclusive talent [Mechanical Genius) has been enhanced]

(Mechanical Genius: The bonus Machinery Affinity has been increased from x1.55 to X1.65, Machinery Creation Performance increased from 70% to 80%, all Mechanic related skill levels increased from +3 to +4) (Your God's Trait Transformation.Void is at the maximum, you have received a bonus Life Level Promotion!)

[Your race has been detected: [Black Star God Race) (Exclusive race, irreplaceable)]

[Detected that your evolutionary route (Void) has reached the limit, there is no higher Life Level to promote to]

[Detected that you are undergoing Apotheosis, conventional optimization is cancelled — would you like to proceed with evolving your Exclusive Race?]

[..... Evolution confirmed, your (Black Star God Race) has now evolved to become (Black Star God Race Royal Bloodline). Your Life Level has been promoted and genes strengthened. You have obtained the additional Attributes: +2780 STR, +2410 DEX, +2600 END, +3440 INT, +3052 MYS, +1024 CHA and +26200 Energy. The bonuses provided by your Energy Attribute Realm has been strengthened] (Your Black Star God Race exclusive talent [Mechanical Genius] has been enhanced)

[Mechanical Genius: The bonus Machinery Affinity has been increased from x1.65 to x1.75, Machinery Creation Performance increased from 80% to 90%, all Mechanic related skill levels increased from +4 to +5]

Originally, there was no chance for a Race Evolution at level 360, but the two God's Trait Transformation metamorphoses brought about two additional Life level promotion opportunities.

Boom!

The surging energy was so dense that it almost solidified. With Han Xiao as the center, it gushed out in all directions, spreading far and wide. It had already reached the level of a cosmic energy surge, and almost all the Black Star Army's outposts in this area sounded an alarm.

Scorching energy flowed through his body, and all the cells in his body rapidly advanced toward a higher level of life. It was as if his cells had developed an independent consciousness, but it did not cause great changes under the support of the Church's National Treasure.

An endless stream of energy gushed over from all directions, and Han Xiao almost turned into the core of a nebula. His entire body was filled with heatwaves, and he felt like he was swelling up like a balloon.

He tried his best to maintain his thoughts and stared at the notification on the interface.

The improvement he got this time was extremely powerful. If he did not have the special Race Evolution brought about by the Apotheosis, the simple genetic optimization he got during an Advancement would not have brought about such a high amount of attribute increase.

However, the notifications of his two Race Evolutions had yet to end.

(Your exclusive race has been upgraded to [Black Star God Race). You have received a new talent: Mechanical Divine Body!)

(Mechanical Divine Body: +1500% Machinery Affinity, your Mechanical Force Attribute has been enhanced. Your skills (Emperor's Gift] has been upgraded to (Ode of the Gods), (Apostle Life Creation) has been upgraded to (God's Emissary Creation], [Tinder Awakening] has been upgraded to [Allspark), and [Dimension Factory] has been upgraded to [Godly Stronghold). (TL Note: Appreciated that the author thought of putting the Allspark in a mechanic novel. 10/10)

(Your exclusive race has been upgraded to (Black Star God Race Royal Bloodline). You have received a new talent: Void Divine Body!]

(Void Divine Body: +1500 to Basic Attributes, you have been awarded 30 Awakening Points. All Void-related Racial Talents will be buffed, and you can open a second Void Dimension within your body to integrate with the original Void Dimension]

Han Xiao looked at the introduction of these two talents with a hard-to suppress glee in his eyes.

The four Mechanic abilities had undergone a special evolution. Among them, (Ode of the Gods] and [God's Emissary Creation) were enhanced based on basic values. The exact effects did not change, only the name of his Apostle Weapons were renamed as Mechanical Oracles.

As for (Allspark] and [Godly Stronghold), they had some functional changes.

[Tinder Awakening] was originally an ability used to create mechanical lives, and it needed to be actively cast. However, after evolution, it now possessed a passive effect. So long as machinery was connected by Mechanical Force, it could temporarily become a mechanical life form and receive various enhancements attributed to mechanical life forms. The effect would disappear if the Mechanical Force was cut off, but prolonged usage could solidify its status permanently, changing it to become a mechanical life-form forever. This way, the efficiency and scale of creating mechanical life forms would be raised to a new level, and the consumption would also be much lower.

In addition, the function of (Godly Stronghold) was to open a secondary dimension in his body as a Dimension Factory. He did not need to summon the secondary dimension portal any longer. This was akin to having the late game skills of a Mechanical Pugilist, which removed all its previous skills' side effects. Now, even if the environment outside was locked onto by the Space Stabilization Anchor, Han Xiao would still be able to launch a surprise attack.

(Void Divine Body] also had similar effects. It could open up a new Void Dimension within one's body and even swallow parts of the original Void Dimension to improve one's own Void Dimension.

The mechanisms revealed by these two talents seemed to indicate the formation of a universe within his body!

"Is this the difference between levels?"

Han Xiao was shocked. Even now, the evolution had yet to end, and notifications were still being sent out continuously. Intense waves of pain assaulted his mind.

The power released by the Beyonder's Vestige was cleansing the cells over and over again, causing the cells to change time and time again. It gradually approached the special 'flawless' particle form, and the changes in his body became more and more intense, sometimes intense and sometimes mild.

At the same time, the four 'pretty boys' who were continuously supplying energy finally realized that something was wrong.

From Han Xiao's body, there was an aura that made them tremble from the bottom of their souls. It was as if they had met with an existence of a higher level on the food chain.

"Am I seeing things? Is this the suppression pressure caused by a difference in life levels?!"

Kasuyi's eyes widened in shock. "It can't be wrong, this is the feeling..."

Milizaus' dragon beard fluttered, and his huge dragon eyes flashed with disbelief. He secretly swallowed a dragon breath that was about to come out.

Wuornos, who was originally quite calm, could no longer remain unruffled. He stared at Han Xiao's figure in shock.

Holy sh\*t, could it be that this guy was so lucky, able to succeed in one go?!

#### Chapter 1388 Coexisting with the Heaven and Earth, All Things Are One with Me

No matter how shocked the four of them were, Han Xiao's evolution continued to advance.

The surging golden Mechanical Force formed a huge energy whirlpool, spinning and expanding. Han Xiao's figure was at the center, and he was already drowned by the endless light. As for this unlucky planet, it had been completely destroyed without a single trace left.

Boiling hot energy flowed through his body, and it was as if his cells and soul were burning intensely. He felt as if he had turned into a piece of steel, enduring the refinement time and time again.

Han Xiao endured the pain of the metamorphosis and stared at the notifications on the interface with his golden eyes.

(You have met the prerequisite: Activate the Apotheosis Promotion]

[Race Apotheosis activated!]

(Your life force has already reached the peak. You have opened a new world above the peak. The domain of True Gods is unfolding before you...]

(Your Racial Talent (Black Star God Race – Royal Bloodline) has received two exclusive Racial Talent slots.]

[Please select your preference for the exclusive Racial Talent]

Many options popped up on the interface Attack, Resistance, Machinery, Attribute Amplification, and so on. They were all options that could be chosen by the two new exclusive Racial Talents.

When Han Xiao advanced to the Beyond Grade A realm, he had created an exclusive racial talent, [Mechanical Genius). At this time, the Apotheosis of the race had given him two chances to create an exclusive talent, which was also a genetic talent that could be awakened in his descendants.

He thought about it and chose the ability strength increase and attribute enhancement. These two enhancements were more comprehensive.

As his new talents were not as enhanced as (Mechanical Genius), the effect would not be too strong. After a few random draws, Han Xiao finally determined the effects of the two new exclusive racial talents.

[Divine Gene] : +10% Ability Power, +2% every Promotion

Current cumulative bonus: 46% [Natural Elite] : +10% All Attributes. From Level 1-100: 4 Free Attribute Points every level up. From Level 100-200: 8 Free Attribute Points every level up. From Level 200-300: 12 Free Attribute Points every level up. Above Level 300: 16 Free Attribute Points every level up.

Current cumulative Bonus: 3360 Free Attribute Points.

“These two new talents are not bad. They both have growth potential.”

Han Xiao was excited.

When he reached the later stages of his growth, he could receive all the accumulated bonuses at once. Therefore, these two new talents would be able to increase his strength.

Although his current attributes were almost all in the tens of thousands, 3,000 to 4,000 Free Attribute Points were still not a small number. Most importantly, he could freely allocate them, and the ability power was an important bonus that any class required. The increase was quite considerable.

(Mechanical Genius), [Divine Gene], and (Natural Elite) were the inherited talents of his race. Individuals with these three talents would undoubtedly have a higher growth rate. They would all be extremely talented Super seeds and could suppress Supers of the same grade. “If only I could make a bunch of alternate accounts...”

A thought flashed through Han Xiao’s mind.

I still don’t have a descendant race, I feel like I can start thinking about reproducing.

While he was thinking, a follow-up notification popped up on the interface.

Two new exclusive Racial Talents have been confirmed.

Life form evolution, molecular structure improved, organ structure strengthened, metabolism changed...

According to the preference of (Black Star God Race – Royal Bloodline), you have received bonus attributes.

+795 STR, +680 DEX, +1030 END, +1146 INT, +1050 MYS, +742 CHA, +11200 Energy.

Energy level attribute bonuses changed

[Race Apotheosis) completed. Your grade has increased to X.

Grade S Bonuses disappeared.

You have received Grade X Bonuses.



Grade X Bonuses: +240 END, +75% All Resistances,+50% Highest Attribute, +30% Other Attributes, +1,500 Free Attribute Points, +60 Awakening Points.

Please select 2 from the 7 options below as Grade Talents.

1. Physical Resistance
2. Psychological Resistance
3. Power Bonus
4. Health
5. Explosive Power
6. Energy
7. Status Enhancement

“There really are new Grade talents!” Han Xiao’s eyes sparkled.

This was an important factor in dividing the strength between two grades. One could choose two options when advancing to Beyond Grade A, and it was the same now. However, the effect would be stronger, and it could even be stacked with one’s grade talents.

The power bonus was a must. As for the other option, Han Xiao preferred to increase his health. It seemed like he was the only one who had reached this level, so while the tankiness seemed to be enough, it was actually the basic bonus brought about by this Promotion. This END bonus could be gained just by completing Apotheosis Promotion, his current health was probably only at the intermediate level at this grade. He could not guarantee that there would not be anyone else who would rise in the future. Furthermore, there might already be someone at grade X in the universe. At the very least, there would not be any mistake if he continued to develop the strength of dealing damage and tanking.

You have received Grade Talent (Godly Strength)!

You have received Grade Talent (Divine Cosmos Body)!

(Godly Strength): You possess the strength of Gods. All your abilities will receive a huge enhancement. The bonus effect depends on the character’s total Level. Below Level 300: +8% every 10 Levels.

Above Level 300: +12% every 10 Levels.

Current Ability Strength Increase: 312% (This increase can be stacked with (Superhuman) and (Supreme Power) bonuses)

[Divine Cosmos Body]: Your body is extremely strong and contains unbelievable life force. Your life span will continue till the end of the universe. +1 END Bonus every 1 level.

Current Effect: +360 END Bonus (This increase can be stacked with [Eternal Body] bonuses)

“Such great bonuses!”

Before Han Xiao could get excited, even more violent energy burst out from his body, and all his cells began a new round of transformation. Han Xiao felt that every cell was becoming more and more agitated, as though they were all going to escape from his body. However, as the Church's National Treasure shook, the struggle of the cells was suppressed, but it also brought him more pain. However, even though he had completed the Race Apotheosis, the Promotion was not over yet. There was still the last transformation left.

Your Class Advancement Mission has been completed.

You have received a new class—[Legendary Mechanic]!

(Beyonder Mechanic] Lv.1 — +700 Energy, +8 STR, +8 DEX, +22 END, +30 INT. You have received 25 Free Attribute Points and 1 Awakening Point.

You have received talent (Transcendent Artifact]!

You have received the talent (Energy BaseGod of All Machines)!

You have received talent (Information Uniqueness—Conceptual Immortality]!

You have acquired the ability [Mechanical Deity – Supreme Heavenly Venerate]!

You have learned (Virtual Creation (Pseudo)]!

You have acquired the ability (Life Transformation-Virtual]!

You have acquired the ability (Life Transformation – Myriad Machine]! All your Virtual Technology skills or talents have been enhanced by 80%.

Han Xiao's breathing stopped.

The new class was also unfamiliar to him, and (Legendary Mechanic) did not have the upper limit of the class. This proved that this was the last stage of the Mechanic class. He could continue to level up, but there was no Class Advancement after that.

He looked at the various new abilities obtained from this Class Advancement and could not help but narrow his eyes. The effects of the skills were as flashy as the name, but the bonuses were astonishing.

Han Xiao wanted to analyze his new abilities in detail, but the pain of evolution came one after another, almost freezing his thoughts. It was not a good time to study them.

Seeing that the notifications on the interface had finally stopped, Han Xiao knew that he had obtained all the bonuses from this Promotion. He quickly calmed down and silently felt his evolution. The sense of time quickly became blurry.

After a full two days, the huge energy whirlpool finally seemed to have expanded to its limit. It slowly shrank back toward the center and entered Han Xiao's body.

On the other hand, Wuornos and the other three had been standing guard at the edge, watching Han Xiao's advancement from start to finish. They did not dare blink at all, afraid that they would miss a second.

Because this was the territory of the Black Star Army, Han Xiao had already informed them that no one was allowed to disturb him. Thus, even though this place had become the source of the cosmic-level energy surge, triggering the radar alarms of many organizations, no one had come over to watch.

After a while, the energy whirlpool returned to Han Xiao's body, and the dazzling light faded, revealing Han Xiao's current appearance.

He was floating in the air with his eyes closed as if he was still in a meditative state and had yet to wake up. There was a special aura around him, and his skin was glowing. A few light golden particles were slowly flowing around his body. Seeing this, Wuornos and the others hesitated. They did not know what was going on with Han Xiao and did not approach him immediately.

This time, Han Xiao finally opened his eyes. The light on his body stopped, and he floated toward the three of them with a smile.

"My Promotion went very smoothly. Thank you, everyone."

Hearing this, the four of them were shocked.

Although they had already guessed it in their hearts in the past two days, they still could not help but feel a strong sense of disbelief when Han Xiao admitted it personally.

"You really succeeded? You opened up a higher level of individual strength?" Milizaus cried out.

"That should be the case."

Han Xiao nodded and released some pressure.

The four people present were stunned. They instantly felt a vast pressure and could not help but feel their hearts palpitate.

However, it only lasted for an instant before Han Xiao retracted the pressure from the difference in the hierarchy of life, allowing them to heave a sigh of relief.

After the unbelievable shock, they were filled with excitement and respect.

They were all peak Beyond Grade As, including Wuornos and Kasuyi, who thought that they were half a step away from reaching a higher level. Now that they could see the entire process of Han Xiao's advancement and see the successful case of him reaching a higher level, would this method work on them too?

Did Black Star specifically give them this benefit?

"I didn't expect you to succeed in one go... Congratulations."

Wuornos was extremely envious. He had tried so many times, but in the end, he stopped because he was worried about the risk. However, Black Star had gone straight in and succeeded. Indeed, men and their constitutions could not be compared...

However, although Wuornos felt bitter, he was more excited and overjoyed. He felt that his insight was really good. He had indeed not misjudged Black Star. In fact, this guy was even more amazing than he had expected. He had rushed up to a higher level and pointed him in the right direction!

With Black Star scouting ahead, he would be able to replicate the success today.

The Church's National Treasure was his, and the Arcane Church did not lack direct members of five classes. The other two Universal Civilizations would more or less provide help to contend with Black Star. Therefore, among the Beyond Grade As, he was the only one who could easily replicate the method Black Star used today. He undoubtedly profited the most!

Although Black Star did not fail, which was out of his expectations and caused his selfish thought to fail, he still did not come for nothing! Thinking about this, Wuornos felt extremely comfortable. He decided to prepare for his advancement when he returned.

However, at this moment, he suddenly remembered that the Church's National Treasure was still in Han Xiao's hands. He did not know how far Black Star's strength had progressed. If he had any evil intentions...

Wuornos' heart tightened, and he said slowly, "Black Star, can I have it back?"

"Oh, take it."

Han Xiao glanced at him and saw that he was nervous. He shook his head and smiled. He took out the Church's National Treasure and threw it back to Wuornos. He did not intend to take it for himself.

Since they did not cause any trouble and came to help him, he would not kick them to the curb after they outlived their usefulness. There was no need to offend them because of this. At most, he would just borrow it again. Furthermore, there was more than one 'Stabilizer'. After his Promotion, Han Xiao had some new ideas.

Wuornos took the Church's National Treasure and stuffed it back into his body. He secretly heaved a sigh of relief, but then he was overjoyed.

Kasuyi looked at the Church's National Treasure with a burning gaze before looking back at Han Xiao.

"Your Promotion is a good thing for the entire Beyond Grade A group. I wonder if you plan to publicize this method?"

"Keep it a secret for now. Just keep this matter to yourselves. Don't tell anyone about it for the time being to avoid disturbances. To be honest, this Promotion is quite dangerous. If it fails, you might not be able to revive with the Sanctum."

Han Xiao waved his hands.

He did not care much about this matter. The four of them only saw the surface. Even if they imitated his method, they would not be able to trigger the Apotheosis Promotion. This was because they lacked an important factor, Beyond's Vestige.

Now that he had successfully advanced and was no longer in a critical state, he had also lost the ability to sense the Beyond's Vestige. As long as he did not specifically remind them, others might not be

able to activate this perception. Furthermore, without a detailed interface notification, others might not know what this perception meant.

The most important thing was that he had already used up the last Beyonders Vestige that was left in the explored universe. Even if someone found out about the use of the Beyonders Vestige, they would have to go to the unexplored area to search for it. Who knew how long it would take?

Hearing this, apart from Wuornos, Kasuyi and the others were shocked and suppressed the impulse in their hearts.

Milizaus suddenly thought of something and asked, "By the way, the new grade has yet to be defined in the Galactic Society. Why don't you give it a name?"

Sierron agreed. "Indeed, the title of Beyond Grade A is to commemorate the exploration era. Now that a new level has appeared, a new name is also needed. It will be recorded in history. You are the founder, and only you have the right to name it."

Han Xiao stroked his chin and did not reject. He immediately thought of the name of his class and raised his brows.

"How about... We call it the Transcendent Grade?"

"Sounds good."

The few of them naturally did not have any objections to a name and nodded.

"Then it's settled. The grade above Beyond Grade A will be called the Transcendent Grade."

Han Xiao smiled and nodded.

This time, Kasuyi could not hold back his curiosity and sized Han Xiao up.

"Black Star, what is the strength of the new level? How strong is it?"

Han Xiao shook his head and smiled.

"I'm very, very strong..."

As he spoke, he looked at his attributes panel, and a strange look flashed in his eyes.

Level: 360

Main Class: Mechanic

Race: Black Star God Race – Royal Bloodline

Attributes: 33,810 STR, 29,423 DEX, 44,310 END, 81,744 INT, 26,854 MYS, 12,560 CHA, 1 LUK

Free Attribute Points: 5,105

Awakening Points: 101

Health: 122,694,490

Stamina: 98,274,600

Energy: 481,200

Energy Lv.29 Bonus: +12,480 STR, +13,640 DEX, +17,200 END, +22,845 INT, +13,590 MYS, +11,427,000 Stamina Limit, +14,670% Machinery Affinity

Energy Rank: 148,800 Ona

Grade: X

Grade X Bonuses: +240 END, +75% All Resistances, +50% Highest Attribute, +30% Other Attributes, +1,500 Free Attribute Points, +60 Awakening Points.

“You have cleared the fog in front of you. A brand new path extends under your feet. From now on, heaven and earth will exist side by side with you. All things are one with you... You are the universe!”

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Retracting his gaze from the attribute interface, Han Xiao turned around and saw Kasuyi looking like he wanted to test out his Transcendent strength personally. He smiled and waved.

“There’s no need for a spar. I’ve just stepped into the Transcendent Grade, so I’m not familiar with my strength yet. If I don’t control it well, I’m afraid I won’t be able to hold back and kill you. If that happens, I’ll have to revive you and give myself more trouble.”

Is this even human language?

Kasuyi tilted his head. Seeing that Han Xiao had no intention of showing it, Kasuyi did not insist and could only give up on this thought for the time being. After all, there was still a long way to go, he would see it sooner or later.

Glancing at the four of them, Han Xiao smiled and said,

“Everyone, I still need to familiarize myself with my strength, so I’ll take my leave first... By the way, Wuornos, just let me know when you’re ready to unseal the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter.” With that said, he nodded and left. He disappeared from everyone’s sight in a flash. The remaining four looked at each other. The atmosphere was a little strange. Black Star had shown them the way to become a Transcendent. This kind of secret was most valuable only if they held it alone. None of the four of them were willing to leak it out. If it was in the past, they might even have thought of killing each other. However, the times had changed. Black Star was above them, and the association had united the Beyond Grade As. There were still enemies outside, so they could only endure others sharing this secret.

“Don’t forget Black Star’s instructions. It’s enough for us to know his method of advancement. Don’t tell anyone else without his approval,” Sierron said with a deep voice.

“Heh, do I look like someone who would spout nonsense?” Milizaus snorted. “Black Star is the president, and we’re also members of the association. Of course, we won’t say anything, but the direct

descendants of the civilization might ." Kasuyi narrowed his eyes and stared at Wuornos. Hearing this, Milizaus and Sierron also turned to look at Wuornos with subtle expressions.

None of them had the motive to leak the secret, but Wuornos was a direct member of the church. If the upper echelons of the civilization asked him for this method, would he keep it a secret? As a member of the association, the three of them considered it from the perspective of the faction. If the association was the only one who knew how to advance to the Beyond Grade, it would be a new bargaining chip to attract Supers, and they would be able to suppress the three Universal Civilizations in terms of individual strength.

Wuornos' face was calm, and he did not give in verbally. He said casually, "I will also try to advance. Even if I don't say it, they will know when the time comes."

"Tsk." Sierron snorted but did not retort.

Seeing that the three of them had nothing else to say, Wuornos did not stay any longer. He turned around and left in a hurry.

He only wanted to return to the Arcane Church as soon as possible, unable to wait to study Black Star's advancement method. Kasuyi and the other two watched him leave without moving. "The Church's National Treasure is in this guy's hands. With Black Star's successful case, the Arcane Church probably won't lend it to outsiders anymore..." Milizaus smacked his lips.

"Hmm, in that case, only Wuornos and the direct members of the church will be able to replicate the method that Black Star used. We can forget about it." Sierron nodded. "Black Star is a Mechanic and has reached a higher level. Maybe he can find a replacement. We'll know when we ask."

Kasuyi's expression was calm.

Considering that the Arcane Church National Weapon was an indispensable tool for Black Star's advancement method, the few of them had the thought of snatching it. However, after thinking about it, they decided not to. Wuornos was not easy to deal with, and the three of them represented the association. They were not willing to create trouble for Black Star.

Now that Black Star had opened a new level, his position as the association's leader was even more stable. Originally, they were all on the same level, so even if they listened to his orders temporarily, they would not treat themselves as Black Star's subordinates.

However, as Black Star entered a new realm, their relationship subtly changed. It was just that the three of them had yet to feel the subtle change in their subconscious. At this time, Milizaus suddenly thought of something and asked, "By the way, although the method of advancement has to be kept a secret, there's no need to hide the fact that Black Star has become a Transcendent, right?"

Kasuyi shook his head and said, "Since Black Star did not give any special instructions, then there's no need to. Furthermore, there's no need to hide such a good thing. However, it's only limited to the upper

echelons of the association. As for the three Universal Civilizations, they will most likely know about the situation through Wuornos, but they won't spread it around."

On the other side, the Arcane Church.

"What did you say? Black Star actually succeeded?!" The Pope's eyes widened in shock. Wuornos, who had come to report, nodded calmly and slowly continued. "That's right. Black Star has already stepped into a higher level of individual strength. He named it the Transcendent Grade. I witnessed it with my own eyes." "Didn't you say that stepping into the new tier is very difficult? You said that lending out the Void Spirit Kingdom's weapon would be no big deal, because how many times Black Star would fail?" The Pope stared at Wuornos, both shocked and furious.

"Oh, I miscalculated," Wuornos said with an expressionless face.

"That's it?! Do you think you can get away with it with just this sentence?!"

The Pope glared at him, getting even more furious.

If not for the fact that you kept emphasizing that this deal would definitely be profitable, why would we lend the Void Spirit National Treasure to help Black Star advance? Are you hooking up with Black Star and speaking for him to trick me?! I really don't believe you! "Then what do you want?" Wuornos glanced at him.

The Pope closed his eyes and took a deep breath to calm himself down. Only then did he speak. "No matter what, this has already happened. Think of a way to salvage the situation."

Because of a wrong decision, he had helped Black Star reach a higher level of individual strength. He was filled with regret. If he had known, he would have rejected Black Star's request! However, now was not the time to shift the blame. He was the one who had given the order, and he could not shirk the responsibility. The Pope quickly got rid of his anger, regret, and other emotions. "On the bright side, at least we got the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter back... provided Black Star doesn't go back on his word." The Pope shook his head. "There's no need for him to go back on his word," Wuornos said calmly. "This Universal Treasure is no longer a threat to him."

"That's true..."

Hearing this, the Pope felt even more upset. He only felt that the Ten Thousand Deity Scepter was no longer that tempting.

This deal was a huge loss!

However, at this moment, Wuornos slowly said,

"However, it's not like I didn't gain anything this time. I watched the entire process of Black Star's advancement and have already grasped his method. I won't be as clueless as before. I can replicate this successful case and reach a higher level." The Pope sat in silence for a moment before his eyes lit up. Although the advancement of Black Star was beneficial to the war against the outside world, it would not be a good thing for the three Universal Civilizations in the long term. However, his direct descendant had now learned the method of Black Star's advancement. As long as they succeeded, he would have another Transcendent Grade Super on his side to fight Black Star, forming a new balance without having



to worry about Black Star losing control! More importantly, the ones who could use this method were the people of the Church. Even if the three Universal Civilizations were linked together right now, there were still segregated as civilizations. With this method, the Church could also suppress the other two civilizations in terms of individual strength! The Pope was in a good mood. "How confident are you of success?"

Wuornos thought for a moment and nodded, "There's a seventy percent chance that I can reach the Transcendent Grade like Black Star." "Okay!"

The Pope perked up. The 70% chance was quite high! When they were chatting in the past, Wuornos had said that he was not confident at all. Now, the chance had increased countless times.

In that case, not only would helping Black Star not be a loss, but it would even be a small gain

Thinking deeper, it was fortunate that Black Star needed to borrow the Void Spirit Kingdom's weapon this time. Otherwise, the direct descendants of the civilization would not have known about his secret advancement, and this advancement method would have been monopolized only by the association.

In that case, wouldn't the future be even more disadvantageous for the three Universal Civilizations?!

Thinking of this, the Pope felt much better and finally smiled. "The Church will do its best to provide you with resources to help you reach the Transcendent Grade. If you need anything, just tell us. Don't hesitate!" "Don't worry, I won't hold back."

Wuornos nodded. The Pope thought for a moment and said, "Also, keep the matter of the Promotion method a secret for the time being. As for the success of Black Star's Promotion, I'll inform the leaders of the Federation of Light and the Crimson Dynasty. We have common interests in this, and we can't hide it from them. We need to talk to Black Star."

"Up to you. As long as it helps me."

Wuornos did not care about these miscellaneous matters. All he wanted to do was copy Han Xiao's advancement method. He could almost see the higher level that he had always dreamed of, waving at him.

A day later, in the territory of the Black Star Army, the exclusive machinery factory. Han Xiao looked at the cloud of Mechanical Force in his palm, and his pupils constricted as though he was observing the microscopic world.

After a while, he suddenly clenched his fingers and crushed it into pieces, creating a golden shockwave.

"The last advancement of the Mechanic class. Its strength is truly unique..."

Han Xiao murmured.

Throughout the day, he was mainly testing out the new abilities brought by his Class Advancement. By now, he had more or less figured it out, and he was speechless.

(Beyonder Artifact) was a core talent. It was similar to the advanced version of (Spirit Instrument]. The success rate of developing and creating golden blueprints would increase greatly, and there was also a small chance of creating a Space Wonder.

The most important thing was that this talent unlocked an even higher grade for equipment, which was the red 'Divine Artifact' grade. However, this grade was not achieved through crafting but through strengthening the original machinery, greatly enhancing its effect. Furthermore, there was a limit to the number of Divine Artifacts, so one could enhance up to three Divine Artifacts.

However, the targets that could enjoy the bonuses could be changed. The mechanism was similar to the Apostle Weapons. If he wanted to strengthen the fourth machine into a Divine Artifact equipment, he just had to take back the bonuses of his previous Divine Artifact equipment. (Energy Base—God of All Machines] was also a core talent, similar to Sorokin's (Spiritual Energy Foundation). The effect of this skill was that the basic unit of energy production was no longer limited to one's cells. Machinery and virtual data could also generate energy. If Han Xiao turned himself into a mechanical or Virtual Lifeform, or if he did any reproductive modifications to himself, there would be no difference from before, and his strength would not be affected. This meant that he could already exist without his physical body.

From this perspective, the fusion of Herberlon's body with machinery was just an incomplete version of this ability. The (Energy Base-God of All Machines] was the final ideal state.

In addition, this talent also gave him a high Machinery Affinity bonus, which was very shocking. In addition, his new skill (Information Uniqueness-Conceptual Immortality) was not an ability brought about by Class Advancement but a talent that had reached Grade X. Just as Han Xiao had guessed, after entering a new Grade, his information form had also changed drastically, giving him the ability to revive automatically.

Be it life form or network data, as long as there were information carriers in the entire universe that recorded his deeds, as long as he was not forgotten by everyone, as long as someone still recited his name, he would not completely perish. If he died, there would be no need for him to use the Sanctum to revive. He could automatically trigger an information state disturbance and revive in a certain region of the universe. This was close to eternal indestructibility.

Most importantly, the rebirth brought by this talent would not damage the integrity of his information. This meant that it was not like the Sanctum Revival, where every revival caused one to be weaker. The only thing that confused Han Xiao was that the Sanctum was also an information carrier. If (Information Uniqueness-Conceptual Immortality) was usable for all situations, would he be able to survive through the later iterations? He did not know if there were any Transcendent Grade existences in the past. If this conjecture was true, then those Transcendents should have been left behind, which should have made a greater impact on the current universe.

"If only I could test it out."

Han Xiao shook his head.

He felt that the Sanctum that was 'outside of the Three Realms was not part of the Five Elements'[1] probably did not belong to the information carrier that allowed his [Information Uniqueness-Conceptual

Immortality) to take effect. The range of effect of this talent should only be limited to his current universe iteration and the secondary dimensions.

However, even so, it was still powerful enough. Just like what the attribute interface said, everything in the world was one with him. The information state was the source of his existence. As long as nothing went wrong, he could live till the end of the universe. The three talents were all very useful, and the abilities were also extraordinary. Among them, [Mechanical Deity – Supreme Heavenly Venerate] was the advanced version of the Mechanical Deity... No, rather than saying that it was an advancement, it would be better to say that the original Mechanical Deity was just the prerequisite form of this skill. The Mechanical Deity could change its structure on its own. Similarly, it also had the concept of a blueprint. Some Mechanical Deity with certain forms would have additional bonuses.

[Mechanical Deity – Supreme Heavenly Venerate] was one of the final forms of the Mechanical Deity. It was much more powerful than the advanced version of the Mechanical Deity that Han Xiao created. The two were worlds apart.

The skill introduction showed that the skills obtained from the three Mechanic branches were all different. (Mechanical Deity – Supreme Heavenly Venerate] belonged to the Virtual Branch, while the Armed Branch and Energy Branch's skills were respectively [Mechanical Deity – Universe Emperor) and [Mechanical Deity – Origin Divine Lord]. They corresponded to different final forms, all of which sounded extremely domineering.

Not only that, through his core talent (Energy Base-God of All Machines], he realized that when he transformed into a Mechanical Deity, he no longer needed a physical body as the core to provide Mechanical Force. He could directly turn the mechanical shell into his own!

This meant that if he truly became a Mechanical Deity, he would not even have to consume any energy. Even if he did not have the means to quickly recover his energy, he could still maintain his Mechanical Deity state indefinitely and live in this form!

In addition, (Life Transformation: Virtual] and [Life Transformation: Myriad Machine) had similar effects. These two abilities could change one's life form, and with the blessing of [Energy Base-God of All Machines), the body was no longer a shackle. At the same time, these two skills could not only be used on oneself but also on others. As long as the judgment was successful, the target could be instantly transformed into a stream of virtual data or mechanical body, changing the form of the other party's existence. It could make an entire planet turn into a mechanical or virtual life form. This ability was infinitesimally close to the power of a God. (Virtual Creation (Pseudo))] was even more unbelievable. According to the skill introduction, this ability was similar to the virtual transformation ability of the World Tree. It could turn the things created in the virtual world into physical objects, like a true god of creation. However, the reason why this ability had a 'pseudo' suffix was that there were many restrictions. Firstly, it was impossible to convert items that did not exist in reality, things that he did not know, and things that went against the natural laws. Secondly, the conversion would require an equivalent amount of resources. For example, the data of a mechanical army would have to be copied in the virtual world, and the corresponding materials would have to be prepared. However, using this skill meant that the process of manufacturing could be skipped, making it very suitable for mass production of soldiers.

Similarly, it was very useful in the manufacturing aspect. Even the Universal

Treasures that he knew of could be mass-produced using this method. The success rate was almost 100%. However, the third limitation was that the transformation was temporary. Once the time was up, it would disintegrate on its own and would not last permanently. “This ability can be considered a Space Wonder in the eyes of ordinary people. It’s called Virtual Technology, but it should be an information form ability. I need to study it more...”

Han Xiao exhaled.

Although (Virtual Creation (Pseudo)) was miraculous, because of these restrictions, it was not as powerful. But it still remained useful. Through (Godly Stronghold), it could also temporarily explode with a large number of soldiers, but it was still far from the true Space Wonder like the World Tree. “However, this ability is quite similar to the World Tree. Will there be any connection...”

Han Xiao’s eyes sparkled, and he had a bold idea.

Maybe if the World Tree ate him, it would be able to make up for its deficiencies. On the other hand, if he rooted out the World Tree, he might be able to make up for the deficit of the skill...

[1] This is more of a wuxia/xianxia saying, that this object or person is an irregular and does not follow the natural laws of the world

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Han Xiao shook his head and temporarily threw this thought out.

The location of the World Tree was still unknown, so it was best not to think too much.

He turned to look at the (Tyracles Mechanical Legacy) on his Talent interface. This ability would unlock new exclusive blueprints when he was level 360. Although he had a rich technological foundation, no Mechanic would complain about having too many golden blueprints.

Back when the (Tyracles Mechanical Legacy) was at Lv 320, it unlocked the King and the Emperor’s Cape. The former was still very useful.

This time, he unlocked three golden blueprints at level 360. Han Xiao opened the blueprint introduction and looked at it.

(Blueprint – Dark Energy Gold Furnace Beast): After the Saint Tyracles Race witnessed the greatness of the Mechanical Deity, they developed a series of special equipment specially designed for the Mechanical Deity. (Blueprint-Emperor Skysplitter Blade): After the Saint Tyracles Race witnessed the greatness of the Mechanical Deity, they developed a series of special equipment specially designed for the Mechanical Deity.

(Blueprint-Space Constants Modifier (Incomplete]): The Ultimate Technology of the Saint Tyracles Race has yet to be completed.

“This...”

Han Xiao’s mouth twitched.

Of the five gold blueprints brought by (Tyracles Mechanical Legacy), three of them were equipment specially made for the Mechanical Deity. He finally saw how passionate this race was toward the Mechanical Deity. The Dark Gold Furnace Beast was an external special body. Its introduction was that it could share the power of the descent of the Mechanical Deity and had its own consciousness, serving as the mount of the Mechanical Deity. As for Emperor Skysplitter Blade, it was a large high-tech compound weapon. Its appearance was similar to a double-headed broadsword, and its blade was straight and wide. It had a lot of empty slots and could integrate different parts.

Han Xiao summoned the 3D model and briefly outlined the appearance of a Mechanical Deity. He then loaded the Emperor’s Robe, Dark Gold Furnace Beast, and Emperor Skysplitter Blade. Although the image was majestic, he felt that it was becoming more and more familiar.

“It looks more and more like Lord Guan Yu? It’s just that the weapon doesn’t match... Wait, why does it look a little like Thanos?”

Han Xiao mumbled softly, not knowing what to say.

These Saint Tyracles scientists, who were fanatical about the Mechanical Deity, spent all their time researching and changing equipment. Did they think they were making mecha skins ?

Furthermore, the names of these blueprints, these scientists from the Saint Tyracles Race more or less had eighth-grader syndrome...

Han Xiao had the technology foundation of Jayz’s treasure and the Sanctum, so he did not lack gold blueprints for the Mechanical Deity. While these two blueprints were quite powerful, they did not provide much help. However, he realized that the Emperor’s Cape, the Dark Gold Furnace Beast, and the Emperor Skysplitter Blade actually had set effects, which was rare.

When all three items were activated at the same time, they could trigger a special set effect called ‘Tyracles’ Frenzy’. With the enhancement of 1.1x in total Machinery Affinity, attack, defense, and physical performance, it was not bad.

What made Han Xiao excited was the last blueprint. The Saint Tyracles Race had a very deep understanding of space. This Space Constants Modifier, as its name suggested, could adjust the spatial structure of a region and change the universe constants.

The principle of this device involved the microscopic expansion of the universe and the collapse of the universe, as well as the technology of raising and lowering dimensions. According to the theory, it should have special effects such as extending or shrinking space, overlapping areas, intercepting or

grafting spaces, and the changes to the area would be permanent. There was no time limit, and it was a strategic-level mechanical device.

For example, if the enemy was only three days away from him, this device could expand or shrink the strategic depth of the distance between the two sides. According to the limit of its effect, it could expand the three-day journey to more than ten days or even a few months, or it could even shorten the distance between them to an inch.

However, it was a pity that these were all theoretical conjectures. Before the Saint Tyracles Race could perfect this device, they were already destroyed by their enemies in the exploration era. If they could perfect this technology, the three Universal Civilizations might become the four Universal Civilizations or even the only civilization. However, there were no ifs in this world.

“Most of the technology left behind by the Saint Tyracles Race has been inherited by the Federation of Light. I wonder if they have this incomplete blueprint...”

Han Xiao stroked his chin and pondered.

The Space Constants Modifier was much more powerful than the World Tree’s Lerbo Space Protection Belt. If the Federation of Light had this technology, they would have used it back then. However, he could not rule out the possibility that it was incomplete.

After pondering for a while, Han Xiao shook his head and stopped thinking about it.

Regardless of whether the Federation of Light had it or not, he had it. If not for the talent (Tyracles Mechanical Legacy), he would not have had the chance to obtain it.

Beep beep beep... Just as Han Xiao was studying his new ability, his communicator suddenly rang. He received a message from the leaders of the three Universal Civilizations.

“Heh, it’s finally here.”

Han Xiao glanced at it and was not surprised.

The three Universal Civilizations would not be able to sit still after he opened up a new level of individual strength. They would come to talk to him sooner or later, but they did not come to him immediately after he advanced. They probably heard from Wuornos that he wanted to familiarize himself with his strength, so they did not dare disturb him.

After replying to a message, Han Xiao turned on his remote projection. His vision changed, and he was already in the conference room of the three Universal Civilizations’ leaders. He saw three people sitting side by side.

The three of them sized Han Xiao up carefully. Their faces were expressionless, and no one knew what they were thinking.

“Ahem, Black Star, I heard that you have broken through the upper limit of the Beyond Grade A realm and entered a new level of power. Congratulations, you have pioneered a new path.”

Marbruce forced a smile and nodded.

“It was just luck,” Han Xiao said humbly.

“Is that so...”

Marbruce froze.

You seem to be the least qualified to say that...

At this moment, Han Xiao suddenly smiled at the Pope and said, “By the way, I haven’t thanked you for your help. It’s all thanks to you guys agreeing to lend me the Church’s National Treasure. Otherwise, I wouldn’t have been able to advance.”

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The corners of the Pope’s eyes twitched.

Provocation, this was definitely provocation!

The moment he thought of this, he regretted

it.

In his eyes, Han Xiao was mocking him for making a loss deal!

The Pope looked at Han Xiao’s smile and felt extremely disgusted. He wished he could pick up the cup on the table and smash it on Han Xiao’s head.

At this moment, Marbruce and Louis turned to look at him with a strange look in their eyes. They seemed to be blaming him for betraying their plan.

However, the two of them did not expect to see the Pope furious. The Pope took a deep breath to calm down, revealed an unfathomable smile, and said righteously,

“You’re welcome. You’ve entered a higher level, which is beneficial to the battle. Of course, we won’t be stingy.”

Han Xiao raised his brows. It seemed that Wuornos had indeed reported this to the upper echelons of the church, and he was probably eager to copy his method to advance. The Pope’s behavior this time was obviously because he thought Wuornos would be able to step into the Transcendent Grade very soon, so he felt that it was not a loss and had some confidence.

“Tsk, don’t blame me then. You were the one who couldn’t help it...”

Han Xiao curled his lips.

Frankly speaking, when he invited Wuornos to help him advance, he really did not intend to trick him. At the very least, the Arcane Church’s National Treasure and the five elements combined were all real advancement conditions.

However, Han Xiao did not plan to tell anyone about the secret of the Beyonder’s Vestige. If Wuornos was determined to advance, he could only sit back and watch.

After all, Wuornos did not seem to want to participate in the battle. It did not matter to him whether he was dead or alive. In any case, even if he was dead, he could still display his use as Beyonder's Vestige. Han Xiao did not mind at all...

However, after fulfilling two Promotion conditions, the success rate of the Promotion would increase by at least two-thirds. As long as Wuornos' luck was not as bad as his, the Promotion would not be a problem... However, without the Beyonder's Vestige, he could only trigger the regular Promotion. When he completed the Promotion excitedly, he would realize that he had not broken through the limit of the grade. Han Xiao wondered what expression he would have.

Han Xiao calmed himself down and casually asked, "You guys contacted me to congratulate?"

"This is a historical event, after all. We would like to ask if you want to make it public to the galactic society."

Louis nodded and asked.

"There's no need to publicize it. We're still fighting. We don't know if the World Tree will steal the intelligence on the Internet in the future. It's enough for the upper echelons to know."

Han Xiao shook his head.

Seeing that the three of them had no objections, he suddenly turned to Marbruce and said,

"Speaking of which, I still need the dynasty's help."

"What is it?"

"I plan to send EsGod into the Underworld after some time and make use of him on the battlefield."

"This..."

Marbruce hesitated.

The dynasty had sealed EsGod for so long mainly because they wanted to study EsGod's body after his soul was destroyed. Marbruce did not want to agree to this request, and he was also not willing to see the Underworld gain more experts. Seeing his hesitation, Han Xiao's eyes sparkled.

"In exchange, I can provide you with a very interesting piece of information."

"What information?"

"Gaud's whereabouts." Han Xiao smiled.

Marbruce's pupils constricted.

Although he had guessed that it was Black Star who had caused Gaud's disappearance, he could not help but feel furious upon hearing him admit it.

Thinking about how they had been fooled by Black Star back then and caused a huge storm, Marbruce's face sank. He endured his anger and shouted,

"...So it was you!"



Han Xiao did not mind. He waved his hand and said, "Don't be angry. I have a reason for doing this. If you are willing to agree to this deal, I will tell you the reason and give you Gaud's whereabouts."

Marbruce clenched his fists.

Black Star only revealed his cards now, which was undoubtedly related to the recent advancement. There was only one reason for him to do so, and that was that the strength of a Transcendent was beyond imagination. He no longer had to worry about the revenge of the advanced civilizations, which was why Black Star could reveal this secret without a care!

The strength of a Transcendent was still a mystery. They only knew that it was higher than a Beyond Grade A but other than Black Star, no one knew how strong it was. The unknown was the most terrifying.

With Black Star's current confidence, it was clear that the strength of a Transcendent was no small matter. In fact, he had even chosen to show his cards at this time to show his might!

Thinking up to this point, Marbruce suddenly felt a strong sense of fear. The current situation did not allow for internal conflict. He had no choice but to suppress the anger in his heart and think about Black Star's suggestion.

After a while, he nodded expressionlessly and said coldly,

"EsGod can be given to you, but we have to exchange for Gaud. I only hope that your reason will satisfy us."

"Don't worry, you'll definitely be satisfied."

Han Xiao did not mind it.

He had chosen this moment to show his cards because he wanted to strike while the iron was hot. His strength had advanced, if he did not show anything and continued to maintain their original relationship, the three Universal Civilizations might feel that he did not have much confidence. It was time to take a step forward, to pressure them and squeeze more benefits out of them. At the same time, he would let the three Universal Civilizations see his 'unbridled' attitude, which would make them even more afraid of his strength after advancing

Of course, the reason he did this was that the three Universal Civilizations could not do without the help of the association and because he did not need to fear the three Universal Civilizations anymore.

Some of the 'crimes' left behind in history could be brought up to the public since the three Universal Civilizations could no longer flip the table.

Furthermore, it was not a good idea to keep Gaud locked up. The matter had to be resolved eventually. He had to tell the dynasty what had happened. In the future, if Evans obtained the Energy Control Esper Ability, he could use it openly. After glancing at the three of them, Han Xiao did not say anything. He deactivated the remote projection and disappeared from the room.

Only then did the three of them relax. They looked at each other with subtle expressions.

In this meeting, they mainly wanted to see if Black Star's attitude had changed after his Promotion.

Back when the Beyond Grade As first appeared, they also had a huge impact on the structure of the universe. Although they did not know how large the gap in strength with the new level was this time, it would definitely not be too weak. Black Star was already recognized as the leader of the Beyond Grade As, and now that he had taken a step forward, the three of them had no choice but to reconsider how they should treat Black Star.

Before the meeting, the three of them had already come to a consensus to react according to the situation. If Black Star's attitude did not change, they would treat him the same way they treated him in the past and treat him the same way in the future. They would pretend that the Promotion did not happen and not make any additional gestures.

However, Black Star's attitude made their plans fall through. Seeing how fearless he was, the three of them felt their hearts sink. They knew that the scales of cooperation between the two sides were going to tip toward the association again.

However, they could not do without Black Star. The three of them did not dare to do anything anymore and were completely helpless.

Two days later, the Beyond Grade A Association.

There were no empty seats in the venue. All the association members had been summoned to attend this temporary meeting.

Everyone looked at Han Xiao with shock, excitement, and disbelief.

In the past few days, a rumor had spread among the upper echelons of the association, claiming that Black Star had broken through the Beyond Grade A realm and opened a new level.

At first, not many people believed it, but as more and more association members learned about it, many of them became skeptical.

Han Xiao looked at everyone's expression and smiled.

"I gathered all of you today to announce something. From the looks of it, you should have heard about it in the past few days."

Hearing this, many people's eyes narrowed.

"Black Star, is that rumor true?" Manison frowned in disbelief.

Han Xiao looked at him, then at the others who were staring at him, nodded, and said with a sonorous tone,

"That's right. I've already stepped into the realm above Beyond Grade A, and I've named it Transcendent Grade. From now on, Beyond Grade A is no longer the limit of individual strength... Everyone, there's still a path ahead!"

Everyone was shocked! Everyone stared at Han Xiao in shock, unable to speak. The room fell into a strange silence.

