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Chapter 1361 Man In Black Interrupts

"Hmph!" Tobias sneered before activating his internal martial energy. A brilliant light suddenly erupted at the spot where their sword energy clashed. Boom!

The explosion coming from the sword energy was deafening. Even the ground shook violently. An endless amount of dust and smoke rose to the sky. Terrifying shockwaves continued to spread out in all directions.

With the sands covering the sky, it looked as though Armageddon had descended upon the world. Even a magnitude ten earthquake wasn't that scary. One meter of the mountaintop was sliced off because of that clash.

Staring at the frightening scene ahead, Millie asked anxiously, "Do you think Jared will be fine, Cecilia?" Cecilia was gritting her teeth and tightening her fists, so much so that her fingernails were digging into her flesh.

She had no idea if Jared could win or even survive. If he died, then she probably wouldn't want to live either since Jared pissed off the Rider family to save her.

The man in black hiding behind the giant rock frowned as he tightened his grip on the charms in his hand.

It would seem like he was worried about Jared.

If he were the one battling against Tobias at the moment, there was no way he could've defended himself and would've already perished.

However, at that moment, Tobias was staring unmovingly at the spot Jared originally occupied with furrowed eyebrows.

That was because in the instant the sword energy exploded, he felt an indestructible aura.

“What is that? Is the brat not dead yet?” With a displeased expression, Tobias waved his hand.

Suddenly, a wild gust of wind blew away all the dust and smoke, revealing the battlefield for everyone to see.

Then, everyone saw a crater that was about three meters square large.

What was really strange about the crater was that the shape resembled a smooth bowl. It was as though a metal ball was forcefully beaten into the earth and left that crater behind.

At the bottom of the crater was Jared, who was standing in the middle, completely covered in blood.

“He didn’t die?” Tobias was flabbergasted. How can that attack not kill him?

“One of us will die today!” Jared shouted while his head remained lowered, which was why Tobias couldn’t see his expression.

However, his voice was icy cold and devoid of any emotions.

That made Tobias’ heart tremble uncontrollably for a moment.

After wiping the blood on his face away, Jared slowly walked out of the crater.

Each step he took toward his opponent left a bloody footprint on the ground.

A sense of uneasiness filled Tobias’ heart as he shouted, “What are you doing? Stop right there! Otherwise, don’t blame me for what I’ll do!”

Jared took two more steps forward before stopping.

At that moment, there was only a five-meter gap between them.

Jared raised his head abruptly and stared at Tobias.

Boom!

Tobias' spirit was shaken.

In Jared's bloody eyes, he saw murderous intent, pain, hatred, death, emptiness, and insanity!

"You will die today!" Jared growled one word at a time.

In the split second when Tobias was still dumbfounded, Jared rushed toward him.

"This is bad!" Tobias' heart raced as he dodged without thinking.

However, it was too late.

It was a calculated attack Jared had been waiting to unleash.

He pumped all his remaining spiritual energy into his fist and sent it flying toward Tobias.

There was nothing fancy about the attack. It was just a plain, straightforward punch.

He planned to take Tobias down with him by using that punch.

Of course, Jared knew he was taking a risky gamble. It wasn't guaranteed that his Nascent Soul wouldn't be damaged and his body would regenerate.

However, everyone else only saw him launching a suicide attack without knowing why. Hence, they were shocked.

"Jared!" Cecilia and Millie exclaimed in unison.

Tobias was also taken aback when he saw Jared recklessly charging toward him.

The man in black hiding behind the giant rock was shocked before he jumped out.

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Chapter 1362 Triple Threat Array

The man in black's sudden appearance drew everyone's attention. At that moment, he speedily flung out three charms. Those three charms landed around Tobias' legs in a triangle.

"Triple Threat Array!" the man in black roared. Boom! When the arcane array activated, terrifying sights of flame, gale, and lightning appeared within the array. It instantly buried Tobias.

Jared was flabbergasted. He was confused as to why the man in black suddenly showed up or who that person was. However, he knew how powerful Triple Threat Array was.

It was an incredibly potent array that no ordinary mage could cast. Even he couldn't cast that arcane array yet. Staring intently at the man in black, Jared wondered who that person was and why he was helping him.

However, the man in black didn't even glance at Jared and only paid attention to the changes occurring in the array. He was aware that Tobias was strong. So strong, in fact, that the Triple Threat Array might not be enough to end Tobias' life.

Boom! Suddenly, brilliant sword energy flew toward the sky before the Triple Threat Array was destroyed.

When Tobias escaped the arcane array, his face had turned pale, and there was a bit of blood at the edge of his lips. The light in his eyes had dimmed as well.

Clearly, the injuries he suffered was severe. "Hmph, I didn't expect you to have a helper." Tobias gazed at Jared and the man in black with an ugly scowl. "I'll remember what happened today. Sooner or later, I'll find you again and take your life."

He then jumped down the mountain and returned to his home with his men.

Escape was his only option because he was injured and he likely wouldn't be able to defeat two people at once.

When Millie and Cecilia saw Tobias running away, they happily rushed toward Jared.

"Jared! Are you all right?" they asked almost in unison as they examined him, trying to see where he was hurt.

Instead of answering their question, Jared aimed his dimmed gaze and Dragonslayer Sword at the man in black. "Who are you? Why did you rescue me?"

Based on what he could tell from the man in black's aura, the stranger wasn't that strong, but his magecraft was impressive. Clearly, the stranger was a mighty mage.

However, when the man in black cast the Triple Threat Array, Jared sensed that the stranger's spiritual energy fluctuated.

Since only a spiritual energy cultivator would have fluctuating spiritual energy, he couldn't help but suspect the man in black was one.

Despite the fact that the stranger saved his life, he still didn't lower his guard.

Staring at the sword pointing at him, the man in black smiled at Jared. "Is this how you treat your savior?"

"Who are you? Why did you show up at our back mountain?" Cecilia questioned too.

"I'm not a bad person. If I were, I wouldn't have saved you. I just so happened to pass by, you see," the man in black explained.

However, Jared didn't believe that at all because it would be too much of a coincidence.

"Who are you? Why are you hiding your appearance? It must be because you're up to no good..." he interrogated.

Staring at Jared, the stranger narrowed his eyes. "There are some things that can't be said in public. I trust that you understand. If you want to know who I am, ask the others to leave first."

Jared became even more convinced that the man in black was a spiritual energy cultivator. Thus, he turned to Cecilia and said, "Bring Millie back to the palace first. I'll be back soon!"

After staring at him, she nodded and brought Cecilia down the mountain.

"Can you tell me who you are now? You're a spiritual energy cultivator, aren't you?" Jared asked.

"That's right." The man in black nodded and removed the black cloth covering his face.

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Chapter 1363 Energy Cultivator

The man then pulled his black mask off, revealing a face covered in pockmarks. It was none other than Flaxseed, who had given Zion two tracking talismans from Jadeborough.

After taking a closer look at his face, Jared realized he didn't know the man at all. "I don't know you, so why did you save me?" he asked with a frown.

"I just wanted to work together with you, that's all," Flaxseed replied with a faint smile. "Work together? And do what?"

Jared stared cautiously at Flaxseed. Energy cultivators like us need a huge amount of spiritual energy for our cultivation, and the world is currently facing a deficit in spiritual energy...

Jared's eyes went wide at the thought of that. "You... Are you also here because of the cave?"

Flaxseed paused briefly in surprise before letting out a chuckle. "You sure are a smart one! Now I see why you managed to trick Zion..."

"Who are you? Tell me the truth, or I will use force!" Jared shouted while pointing Dragonslayer Sword at Flaxseed.

Even with the tip of Dragonslayer Sword inches away from his face, Flaxseed showed no fear whatsoever. "Easy there, buddy. You can call me 'Mr. Flaxseed.' I've only recently entered the Golden Core phase. You, on the other hand, have long since entered the Nascent Soul phase. Given the difference in our strengths, you could easily kill me in one strike, so you have no reason to fear me at all. I mean, what could I possibly do to hurt you? Poor Zion has no idea that he needs to completely destroy the bodies of Nascent Soul energy cultivators in order to kill them!"

Hmm... This Flaxseed guy does seem to know what he's talking about. While he may be skilled in magecraft, he is still in the Golden Core phase. In other words, he has only recently become a Martial Arts Grandmaster. Therefore, it is impossible for him to hurt me, especially with me being on guard like this. It'd be a different story if he were to activate his arcane array and catch me by surprise, though. Tobias used up a lot of internal energy while fighting me. That, coupled with his lack of awareness, gave Mr. Flaxseed here the chance to unleash Triple Threat Array. Even so, Tobias managed to break out of Triple Threat Array, which shows that Mr. Flaxseed isn't really powerful.

With that in mind, Jared lowered his guard and sheathed Dragonslayer Sword as he asked about spiritual energy cultivation.

Through Flaxseed's explanation, Jared found out that energy cultivators weren't as powerful as he had imagined.

Due to the dwindling amount of spiritual energy in the world, energy cultivators lacked the resources required to become stronger.

In fact, they were so weak that strong martial artists could easily beat them to a pulp. As a result, many energy cultivators concealed their identities to avoid trouble.

Some even traveled the world in search of areas rich in spiritual energy.

Jared had managed to reach the Nascent Soul phase in a short amount of time.

He was able to make such rapid progress thanks to his Focus Technique, which allowed him to use anything in place of spiritual energy. Not every energy cultivator was that lucky, though.

"I've been trapped in this phase for over ten years. I pretended to be a fortune-teller to conceal my identity as I traveled the world in search of areas rich in spiritual energy. I came across this cave three years ago, but chose not to take action back then. Had I not been forced, I probably wouldn't have come here until a few years later," Flaxseed said.

"What's inside this cave? Why does the water flowing out of it contain such pure spiritual energy?" Jared asked curiously.

"It's an ancient tomb," Flaxseed replied.

“An ancient tomb?” Jared’s eyes went wide with shock and disbelief. “Even if an ancient tomb contains the most precious of jewelry, it still shouldn’t be capable of producing such pure spiritual energy!”

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Chapter 1364 Tomb Of An Immortal

“That’s because it’s an immortal’s tomb. It contains the remains of an immortal spiritual energy cultivator, and possibly some powerful weapons as well as magical items. It’s quite possible for a tomb like that to produce pure spiritual energy,” Flaxseed explained. “An immortal’s tomb?” Jared gasped in shock.

An immortal is an individual who has reached the final stage of their cultivation. If they manage to overcome that hurdle, they will be able to ascend this mortal realm and become a true immortal. However, it is an incredibly dangerous process, and many immortals have died attempting it. Still, I can’t believe I actually discovered an immortal’s tomb! I can’t wait to get in there and see what it looks like!

“That cave has been sealed by huge boulders. I tried moving them out of the way, but I wasn’t able to. How should we move those boulders to get in?” Jared asked.

Despite being more powerful than Flaxseed, Jared was a complete novice when it came to such knowledge.

“I have my ways of getting that done, but you are currently lacking in spiritual energy, so you need to rest and recover. We’ll enter the cave together once you’re ready. It’s incredibly dangerous inside, so it’s nice to have someone from the Nascent Soul phase by my side. We’ll split the loot in half, okay?” Flaxseed said.

Jared nodded and held his right hand out as he replied, “No problem. You’ve got a deal!”

Flaxseed froze for a brief moment before letting out a chuckle as he gave Jared a high-five.

“Haha! Work with me, and I can guarantee you an infinite amount of resources! I may not be very powerful, but I am an expert when it comes to tomb exploring!” he said proudly.

Jared had no reason to doubt Flaxseed’s capabilities in the slightest. After all, Flaxseed knew about the immortal’s tomb even though he couldn’t enter due to the large boulders in the way. That alone required an insane amount of skill and knowledge in tomb exploring.

Jared then went down the mountain with Flaxseed. Cecilia already had the servants prepare the food by the time they returned to Crimson Palace.

She knew Jared would be weakened after that battle, so he would need a lot of nutrients to recover his strength.

Jared then introduced Flaxseed to Cecilia and Millie, prompting him to greet them with a smile.

Although his appearance was a little scary, he was quite a pleasant guy to talk to.

“Lady Jingle, the illusion spell here at Crimson Palace has been broken. I’ll help you guys cast a new one after dinner, okay?” Flaxseed said while chowing down on his food.

“Thank you very much, Mr. Flaxseed!” Cecilia replied with a smile.

After the meal, Flaxseed led Jared and the others outside the front door of Crimson Palace.

Flaxseed then pulled out a few talismans and uttered some chants.

The next thing they knew, dense smoke came out of the talismans and surrounded Crimson Palace entirely.

After that, Flaxseed held the talismans up to his mouth and blew at them, turning the talismans into ashes instantly.

As the smoke cleared, Jared and the others were shocked to discover that Crimson Palace had vanished before their very eyes.

Cecilia and Millie’s jaws dropped on the spot.

Jared, on the other hand, stared at Flaxseed with an impressed look on his face.

I can only cast illusion spells on a small scale. Creating a large illusion array like this would require a huge amount of mental energy.

“H-How will we find our way in, Mr. Flaxseed?” Cecilia asked as she slowly recovered from the shock.

“Oh, that’s easy!” Flaxseed replied as he raised his hand and snapped his fingers in the air.

All it took was three snaps of his fingers for Crimson Palace to reappear before them.

This illusion array was a lot stronger than the one they had before.

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Chapter 1365 A Rough Time

“Thank you so much, Mr. Flaxseed! Not only have you rescued Jared, but you also did Crimson Palace a huge favor! Please allow me to express my gratitude...” Cecilia said as she prepared to kneel before Flaxseed.

Flaxseed quickly reached out to stop her from doing so. “This is nothing worth mentioning, Lady Jingle!”

“There’s no need for you to go this far, Ms. Jingle. As a token of appreciation, I’ll let him have an extra ten percent when we split the loot later!” Jared added.

Cecilia stared at them in confusion. “Huh? Loot? What loot?”

Jared and Flaxseed exchanged glances before bursting into laughter.

“Don’t worry about it, Lady Jingle! Just let Jared do all the thanking later!” Flaxseed said as he made his way into Crimson Palace with Jared, leaving Cecilia rooted to the spot with a puzzled expression.

“Just so you know, Jared, you’re in for a rough time,” Flaxseed whispered as he walked alongside Jared.

“A rough time? What do you mean by that? Are you actually able to tell fortunes?” Jared asked in confusion.

“Hahaha! You’re bound to have lots of issues when it comes to romance! You do not wish to let any of these women down, but in doing so, you will end up hurting them all. You’re extremely popular with women, and yet, they’ll still fall deeply in love with you. The choice you make is entirely up to you. An energy cultivator must be free from the desires of the flesh in order to become an immortal. As for you, well... Good luck with that! Hahaha...” Flaxseed replied and burst out laughing as he carried on walking.

“I never said I wanted to become an immortal...” Jared mumbled to himself.

The next day, Jared told Cecilia where they were headed before entering the cave with Flaxseed.

The ground inside the cave was covered with pieces of stone after Jared and Tobias’ battle from the day before.

“How will we move these rocks out of the way?” Jared asked anxiously.

“Take it easy, buddy. For now, we’ll just sit down and get some rest,” Flaxseed replied as he sat down on a large, flat piece of stone.

Huh? If we’re going to rest, why didn’t we just do so outside the cave? What’s the point of coming all the way in here just to get some rest?

Jared had no idea what was going on, but he did as told and sat down on a nearby stone anyway. He then lit a cigarette and handed Flaxseed another.

Flaxseed politely declined his offer and pulled out a tobacco pipe from his back pocket.

The two of them then puffed away as they watched the clear water flowing out of the cave wash the stones away.

About ten minutes later, Flaxseed put his tobacco pipe away and said, “All right, it’s time to get to work!”

He pulled out a stack of talismans and scribbled something on them. Soon, the inside of the cave was covered in talismans.

With the final talisman in his hand, Flaxseed turned toward Jared and asked, "Could you lend me some of your blood?"

"My blood?"

Jared was confused, but did as told and bit down on his finger anyway.

Flaxseed then drew a circle on the talisman with Jared's blood and quickly pasted it on the giant boulder.

Rumble...

The entire cave began shaking violently when the final talisman came into contact with the giant boulder.

The other talismans emitted a bright light that shone on the giant boulder.

The talisman on the giant boulder turned crimson red as the shape on it was slowly imprinted on the boulder.

Soon, the entire boulder was exuding a blindingly bright light that illuminated the area around it.

"Close your eyes! Don't open them until I tell you to!" Flaxseed shouted.

Jared quickly closed his eyes without any hesitation.

The next thing he knew, his body was descending rapidly as the cave shook even more violently.

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Chapter 1366 An Impressive Layout

The wind was so strong that his face began to hurt. Jared opened his eyes out of curiosity, but Flaxseed grabbed his wrist and reminded him, "Keep your eyes closed!"

Jared quickly closed his eyes when he heard that. After what felt like an eternity, Jared's feet finally touched ground, and the deafening roar of the wind had stopped.

"You can open your eyes now!" Flaxseed said. As Jared slowly opened his eyes, he was shocked by the sight before him. There were mountains, rivers, and lush green trees as far as the eye could see. It was as if he had been transported to a completely different location.

"W-What is this place?" Jared exclaimed in shock and disbelief. How is this a tomb? I feel like I'm in a different world or something!

Flaxseed ignored his question and quickly ran up a hill, only to look just as surprised when he gazed into the distance.

"Is this the immortal's tomb you told me about?" Jared asked.

"This is quite an impressive layout!" Flaxseed mumbled to himself.

"What do you mean? What layout?"

Jared knew a little bit about tomb-raiding, but his knowledge was completely useless in this situation.

He was still too much of a novice to spot the layout that Flaxseed was talking about, let alone associate this scenery with a tomb.

Flaxseed flashed him a faint smile and pointed at a corner. "Look over here. You see how those mountains are overlapping one another? This scenery is clearly man-made! Whoever did this was able to manipulate nature. Not many out there are able to pull off such an amazing feat. The owner of this tomb must be a mage who specializes in metaphysics or something."

After hearing that lengthy explanation, Jared gasped in shock as he was finally able to see what Flaxseed was talking about.

"It's a shame this landscape has been around for a long time. The energy of heaven and earth here has mostly faded by now. Had that not been the case, it would certainly provide us with enough resources to become immortals!" Flaxseed added with a sigh.

Even if the energy of heaven and earth in the area had mostly faded, Jared could still feel the pure spiritual energy flowing into his body.

"Come on! Let's go look for the tomb!" Flaxseed called out to him while making his way forward.

Jared followed closely behind him as he found the new environment exciting yet terrifying at the same time.

Someone capable of creating a tomb like this would surely have set traps to safeguard it. I have no idea what to expect, though...

It wasn't until then that Jared truly realized how weak and ignorant he was.

Jared channeled his Focus Technique and absorbed the surrounding spiritual energy as the two of them made their way through the landscape.

After about half an hour of walking, they had made it deep into the mountains. Fortunately for them, the magical effects of the landscape had faded by then.

Otherwise, they could wander around for a year and still not find their bearings.

Flaxseed stopped in his tracks all of a sudden and stared at the mountain in front of him. "It should be right ahead."

"Huh?" Jared paused and glanced at the mountain he was talking about.

In the distance, he saw a mountain peak that had been cut from the middle into a square-shaped altar. Surrounded by mountains, the "altar" looked awfully eerie.

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Chapter 1367 Who Are You

This place has been kept hidden for so many years. I wonder if we're considered lucky for discovering it... "Come on, let's go check it out!" Flaxseed could barely contain his excitement any longer.

The two of them soon arrived at the altar-like area atop the mountain. There was a huge stone tablet on the altar with the following words carved onto it: I am always standing atop a hill of swords...

As the words were carved onto the stone tablet and facing outward, it looked like they were meant to be read by those who discovered the tomb. Jared started spacing out a little as he stood there staring at the message.

These words are exuding sword energy. The owner of this ancient tomb carved them onto this stone tablet with two fingers, and he did it in one go. Ordinary people won't be able to see this, but these words show the owner's profound knowledge in swordsmanship!

Jared stopped in front of the stone tablet and looked up at it with a confused expression. He could feel a hint of sword energy coming from the stone tablet.

"What's wrong? Did you manage to find something?" Flaxseed asked when he saw Jared staring blankly at the stone tablet. However, Jared simply stood perfectly still and ignored his question completely.

Fearing that Jared was being controlled by someone, Flaxseed thought about giving him a little shove. There's no telling what could happen here. Jared's mental energy isn't strong enough, so it's highly possible that his mind is being controlled!

Flaxseed's hand was frozen in place when he saw Jared standing there lifelessly with only the whites of his eyes showing. It was a truly terrifying sight to behold.

Jared was aware that his mind was being pulled into the stone tablet. He tried really hard to break free of its grip, but his struggles were all in vain.

Sweat continued pouring down Jared's forehead as his body trembled all over.

With a frown on his face, Flaxseed pulled out a charm, bit down on his finger, and scribbled something on it with his blood.

Meanwhile, Jared had entered another world and saw a completely different environment around him.

“Where am I? What is this place?” Jared shouted at the top of his lungs, but there was no response.

He was standing on a gigantic rock in a foggy, grayish world.

As the fog slowly cleared up, he was surprised to see millions of corpses covering the land in front of him.

The air was filled with the sickening stench of blood, and terrifying spiritual energy lingered around him. Jared tried to absorb that spiritual energy by channeling Focus Technique, but it was no use.

A figure then slowly stepped into view and stood in front of him. With his body covered in blood and a long sword in his hand, the man glared at Jared with strong murderous intent.

“Who are you? Who are you?” Jared called out to the swordsman twice, but the swordsman ignored him completely.

It was as if the swordsman didn’t even see Jared standing there.

The swordsman then carried his sword on his back and turned around to stare at the millions of corpses lying around.

As the rays of the setting sun elongated the swordsman’s shadow, Jared realized how lonely and melancholic he looked.

Suddenly, the swordsman started moving again. Nine huge shadows that looked just like him sprang out of his back.

The nine shadows then formed a murderous array, unleashing a horrifying aura that filled the air around it.

The swordsman then started twirling his sword around, prompting the nine shadows behind him to do the same.

The way their swords danced about was so beautiful and artistic that Jared couldn't take his eyes off them.

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Chapter 1368 We Have Come Too Far

"Nine Shadows? This is Nine Shadows, isn't it?" Jared yelled when he saw what was going on. However, the Nine Shadows being performed by this swordsman was quite different from the one Jared learned from Ichiro.

This swordsman's Nine Shadows is clearly a lot more powerful! With that in mind, Jared wanted to hop off the giant rock and have a chat with the swordsman.

Before he could do so, the scene in front of him instantly shattered like a piece of glass. Jared coughed up a mouthful of blood as he was yanked out of that world.

"Jared, are you okay?" Flaxseed asked with his face all pale. Noticing the charm that was pasted on his forehead, Jared asked with a frown, "What just happened?"

It looked like I was dreaming, but it also felt so real...

"You were affected by the illusion spell due to your weak mental energy. Had I not pulled you out in time, you'd probably be trapped in there forever. Don't go around touching or staring at stuff, got it? This place is incredibly dangerous!" Flaxseed replied.

As Jared had been pulled out of that world before he could get a clear view of what happened, he couldn't help but feel tempted to go back inside.

Man, just thinking about that swordsman's Nine Shadows is enough to get my blood pumping with excitement! The Nine Shadows I've learned is complete garbage compared to that!

"No, I need to get back in there..." Jared mumbled as he tore the charm off his forehead and stared directly at the stone tablet. He wanted to return to that world and watch the swordsman complete his execution of Nine Shadows.

Thinking Jared's mind had been controlled, Flaxseed roared, "What the heck are you doing? Have you gone mad?"

He even tried hitting Jared with a powerful mental energy attack in order to snap him out of it, but Jared kept his gaze fixated on the stone tablet.

"What? How is this possible? Why can't I get back inside?"

No matter how hard he stared at the stone tablet, Jared couldn't seem to return to that world.

A few minutes later, Jared let out a helpless sigh and retracted his gaze.

"D*mn it... It's such a shame..." he mumbled with regret and frustration written all over his face.

Unsure of what had gotten into Jared, Flaxseed simply stared at him in confusion.

After hearing Jared explain everything that happened earlier, the look on Flaxseed's face changed instantly.

"Jared, I'm starting to think we shouldn't have entered this immortal's tomb..."

Flaxseed was starting to get scared as this place was filled with things far beyond their knowledge and comprehension.

"We should at least have a look inside now that we're here," Jared replied with a faint smile.

We've come too far to back away now!

Flaxseed nodded and continued leading Jared inside the altar where the actual tomb was located.

The ancient tomb was gray in color, and the air inside was rather dank.

“My goodness!” Jared exclaimed in shock when he entered the tomb.

I can't imagine the cultivation level of the person who built this tomb! The ceiling of the tomb was pitch black and covered in countless Luminous Pearls, which made it look like a starry night sky.

Flaxseed had a stern look on his face as he examined every single corner of the tomb and exercised extreme caution with each step he took.

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Chapter 1369 Truly An Expert

“The Seven Stars Eclipse is one of the layouts for the top ten ancient tombs!” Flaxseed exclaimed in awe. As Jared knew nothing about the Seven Stars Eclipse and the top ten ancient tombs, he had no idea what Flaxseed was talking about.

Honestly, I am deeply impressed by Mr. Flaxseed's knowledge in tomb exploration! Realizing the look of confusion on Jared's face, Flaxseed motioned at him to come closer as he taught him all about ancient tombs.

“The top ten ancient tombs all have different layouts. To be honest, there's nothing too special about these ten ancient tombs. Their layouts are designed with the knowledge of geomancy in mind, which allows them to bless the deceased's future generations with good luck and prosperity.

This is a relatively high-level technique. Out of the ten ancient tombs, less than three of them are actually dangerous. In order to prevent others from raiding them, the tombs were filled with deadly traps. As most of the people who tried entering those tombs have died, it served as an effective deterrent for tomb raiders. The most famous tomb of all is the one known as 'Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine Fake Tombs.'

As the name suggests, an immortal had built a thousand tombs before he died. Nine hundred ninety-nine of those tombs were fake ones, and each of them had deadly traps that killed most of those who entered. Not even the descendants of that immortal know the location of his true tomb.

The Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine Fake Tombs were incredibly effective in keeping tomb raiders out as no one was willing to risk their lives with such near-impossible odds. Only immortals with respectable statuses in life are buried in such ancient tombs. As you already know, there aren't exactly that many immortals out there. I can't believe we managed to stumble upon one of them."

Jared's face was filled with disbelief after hearing what Flaxseed said. He looked up at the ceiling and saw a sun surrounded by seven dazzling pearls.

Oh... This must be the Seven Stars Eclipse he was telling me about.

"I get it now. This stuff on the ceiling is the Seven Stars Eclipse, right? That means this is the Seven Stars Eclipse tomb!" Jared said while pointing at the ceiling.

To his surprise, Flaxseed chuckled and shook his head. "The top ten ancient tombs wouldn't have earned their reputation if they were that easily identified."

"Huh? You mean this isn't how you identify them?" Jared asked awkwardly after a brief pause.

"Of course not! The Seven Stars Eclipse indicates there are seven tombs here. The one we're in is only one of them! The Seven Stars Eclipse is a 'ley line' layout that corresponds to the seven stars. By building the tomb at the best location according to geomancy, one is able to complete the Seven Stars Eclipse layout. The 'Eclipse' is where we will find the actual tomb."

Jared's jaw dropped when he heard that.

Whoa... I never knew it was this complex! It's definitely not as simple as I had imagined! Mr. Flaxseed truly is an expert when it comes to this sort of thing! My knowledge is below elementary level compared to his!

"This tomb that we're currently in... Is it where the immortal is buried?" Jared asked curiously.

Flaxseed shook his head. "I'm not too sure about that. Even if it isn't, there will still be treasures we can loot."

Jared breathed a sigh of relief when he heard that. Phew! At least we won't have come all the way here for nothing!

Flaxseed then led Jared deeper into the ancient tomb and observed their surroundings in detail.

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Chapter 1370 Hope For Better Luck

“The ancient tomb that we found is probably only one out of the seven stars. It must’ve been unearthed through time. After the changes in the landscape patterns, it was exposed and was discovered by me,” Flaxseed said to Jared.

Jared couldn’t help but sigh in awe at the sight of the fake tomb. The restoration of the tomb is so majestic and impressive.

“Since this is a fake tomb, there shouldn’t be any danger here, right? Let’s go in and see if we can find any magical items. Then, let’s grab them and leave,” Jared said to Flaxseed.

Flaxseed shook his head. “There are seven structures in this tomb. We have to look for them closely. One of them is where the magical items are placed.”

“What? That’s so troublesome!” Jared was shocked.

That tomb was built according to the structure of the Seven Stars Eclipse. He didn’t expect the inner parts of the tomb to be of the same structure. It was like a complex maze with twists and turns.

“All we can do now is to search for it slowly. I hope luck is on our side,” Flaxseed said.

“Then can you find the other six tombs?” Jared asked.

Flaxseed paused before replying, “As long as the landscape patterns don’t disappear, it’ll be difficult for us to find the remaining six tombs, even for someone like me. But, a master who is stronger than me may be able to find them!”

Jared kept silent. He had never met any master better than Flaxseed when it came to tomb exploring. Even the most famous tomb explorer in Jadeborough, Octavius, wasn't a match for Flaxseed.

Jared followed Flaxseed farther into the tomb. The inside of the tomb was huge and unique.

There was another cave hidden within, and it looked like there was a small world in the tomb.

After walking for more than ten minutes, Jared and Flaxseed reached a body of water. It was jet-black, and they couldn't even see anything in it. There was also a tiny island in the middle of the water.

From where they stood, they saw a green tree grown on the island.

The tree had very thin branches that were completely emerald green.

Moreover, the tree was only about a meter in height, and the emerald-green branch was like a work of art.

Even from a distance, Jared and Flaxseed could smell the tree's fragrance.

No one knew what lay hidden under the still, dark, murky water.

"A Verdant Ganoderma..."

Flaxseed was shocked when he saw the slightly hidden green tree on the tiny island that seemed to be surrounded by a mysterious energy. The plant was a type of high-grade spiritual plant called Verdant Ganoderma.

He could tell that the owner of the ancient tomb had planted the spiritual plant there. Besides, there was some spiritual soil under the roots since the spiritual plant couldn't survive on ordinary soil.

The spiritual soil was a little cyan-green in color and granular in shape. It looked like clean, green sand.

That bit of spiritual soil was worth a fortune, and even one grain of the spiritual soil was a lot more precious than that of gold.

Unfortunately, nowadays, not many had the luxury to see something like that.

“This is some good stuff!”

Jared’s breathing turned rapid. When he saw it, he knew it was a treasure.

Even from a hundred meters away, he could feel the spiritual energy emanating from the Verdant Ganoderma. The spiritual energy was beyond the mundane world and free of impurities. To Jared, it was a priceless treasure.

“I’ll go pick it.”

With that, Jared jumped up and dashed toward the Verdant Ganoderma.

“Don’t act recklessly! Be careful—”

Flaxseed knew that the magical items and spiritual plants would be protected by booby traps or ferocious beasts. Jared was putting himself in danger by rushing over recklessly.

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Chapter 1371 Burn Them

Nonetheless, Jared didn’t care at all at that moment. He leaped and tapped his feet on the water before jumping off again.

However, his expression changed when he landed on the water the second time and wanted to take another step.

He felt a looming force of oppression in the air pressing down on him. It was as if his body was a hundred tons heavy. No matter how hard he tried, he could no longer uplift his body.

Besides, the pure spiritual energy that surrounded the place a moment ago had been replaced by a terrifying force that made the entire tomb feel like a forbidden place.

Jared couldn’t jump or step on the surface of the water. Both his legs started sinking into the bubbling water, which looked like it was boiling.

Shocked, he tried using all his spiritual energy to try to lift his body. However, no matter how hard he tried, his legs kept submerging in the water.

Seeing that, Flaxseed, who was ashore, quickly took out two charms and chanted an incantation before flinging the charms in Jared's direction.

"Jared! Step on them!" Flaxseed shouted as the two charms appeared in front of Jared. They looked like wooden boats that floated on the water.

Jared saw it and quickly stepped on the two charms. With the help of those charms, he rushed toward the tiny island using his spiritual energy.

At that moment, numerous jet-black fish suddenly jumped out of the boiling water like flying fish. They soared into the sky and spat liquid arrows from their mouths.

Jared's expression turned incredibly solemn. Instantly, his body started to glow as he activated Golem Body. He decided to ignore those flying fish as he rushed toward the tiny island.

More than ten liquid arrows hit Jared's body. However, he didn't care at all since he had Golem Body protecting him. Besides, the attack of the liquid arrows was weak and was totally ignorable.

Jared was puzzled. Such attacks can't even hurt an ordinary person, right? Not to mention an expert.

As soon as that thought surfaced in his mind, he felt some indescribable tightness all over his body.

The next moment, he heard a sizzling sound like something was grilling on a hot plate.

He lowered his head and saw that the scales of his Golem Body were melting and dropping off from his body speedily, which startled him as he didn't even realize when that happened.

Later, Jared's skin started bleeding, and he was shocked.

"Be careful! Those liquid arrows are very corrosive and are more concentrated than sulfuric acid! Don't let them touch you!" Flaxseed yelled from ashore.

Jared was speechless the moment he heard that. D*mn it. Why didn't you say it sooner? My entire body's corroded now!

However, he was already at the point of no return. All he could do was let out a low growl and exert all of his spiritual energy. The Power of Dragons transformed into a golden dragon and let out a thunderous roar.

Jared's eyes turned icy. No matter how powerful these flying fish are, I won't let them stop me from getting on the island!

"Go to hell!"

With a push of his palms, a light blue flame shot out from his hands.

That was the spiritual fire. At that moment, he wanted to use the spiritual fire to burn those fish.

Besides, the golden dragon soared into the air and started spewing flames at those flying fish.

With the combined attack between Jared and the golden dragon, the flying fish burned before dropping into the water again.

Jared used the opportunity to leap toward the island immediately.

At that moment, he looked like a wretched beggar because of his tattered clothes and all the fresh blood oozing out from his injuries.

Fortunately, those were all external injuries, so he was fine.

A Man Like None Other Chapter 1372

Chapter 1372 Cultivation On The Spot

When Jared got onto the tiny island, he looked at the Verdant Ganoderma excitedly. He walked toward it carefully out of fear that there were any other booby traps around.

As he got closer and closer to the Verdant Ganoderma, the more concentrated the spiritual energy became. At that moment, he felt like he was in a hot spring. It was truly comfortable.

Right when he was about to pluck the Verdant Ganoderma, Flaxseed yelled, "Don't move!"

Jared stopped moving as he looked at Flaxseed with a puzzled expression.

Flaxseed leaped and stepped on the water on tip-toe. Soon, he reached the tiny island as well.

"Don't touch it. Once the Verdant Ganoderma leaves the spiritual soil, it'll wither immediately," Flaxseed said to Jared.

"Then what do we do?" Jared asked, dumbfounded.

What's the use if we can't take it away?

"We can try to cultivate and absorb all of the spiritual energy from the Verdant Ganoderma and the spiritual soil," Flaxseed replied.

Jared furrowed his brows. "What? You mean cultivate right here?"

Flaxseed nodded. "Yeah. This is the only way. The Verdant Ganoderma can't leave this place."

"How long will this take?" Jared asked while frowning. I still have a lot of stuff that I have to do. If I waste too much time here cultivating, what about Josephine? What about my mother?

"I don't know. But judging from its size, if both of us cultivate at the same time, it'll take a month at the soonest or half a year at most for us to absorb all of their spiritual energy," Flaxseed said.

Jared hesitated for a while before nodding. "Okay. Let's cultivate here."

His original intention of coming to Crimson Palace was to cultivate, but he couldn't stay there for too long.

The most he could stay was for a month. No matter what, even if he couldn't finish absorbing the spiritual energy from the Verdant Ganoderma, he had to leave by then.

Soon, Jared and Flaxseed sat cross-legged and started to cultivate.

Meanwhile, at the Warriors Alliance in Jadeborough, Zion was furious when the news that Jared was still alive reached Jadeborough.

In an instant, Zion had become the laughing stock of the martial arts world.

First, David lied that he had killed Jared, and now it was Zion's turn.

Besides, Zion was the president of the Warriors Alliance. How could he make up such a lie?

"That's impossible! No way! I killed Jared myself! He's already dead! How could he still be alive?" Zion yelled and started throwing stuff from his table out of anger.

"President Zeigler, news that Jared is alive is being spread on the martial arts forum. It's spread by someone from the Rider family in Wildefield in the Southwest Region," an elder said to Zion.

"Wildefield in Southwest Region? What is Jared doing there?" Zion asked, frowning slightly.

The elder said nothing and shook his head. How would I know?

After thinking for some time, Zion waved his hand and said, "Contact the Rider family from Wildefield immediately. I want to talk to them and ask them myself! I don't believe that Jared is an immortal who can come back to life!"

The elder hurriedly called the Rider family, and Zion spoke with Tobias in person.

After getting Tobias' confirmation, Zion had no choice but to admit that he had fallen into Jared's trap.

Everyone in the martial arts world was laughing at him for doing something like that as the president of the Warriors Alliance in Jadeborough.

"How is he still alive? I killed him myself!"

Zion couldn't figure it out. I swear I killed him. At that time, I even penetrated his entire chest! If he's still alive after that, then he's immortal...

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Chapter 1373 Do His Best

"An immortal?" Zion's eyes widened as a disbelieving expression crossed his face. Could Jared be...

Zion's heart thumped furiously as his expression changed. Right then, two men wearing metal masks came in. Zion paled when he spotted them.

"Zion Zeigler, how could you embarrass the alliance when you are the president? Tanner is upset. How dare you lie to him? Do you know what you did wrong?" one of them questioned coldly. Zion's legs nearly gave up on him.

He could barely stand on his feet as he replied hastily, "Sirs, I did kill Jared previously. I didn't lie! It's just a rumor that he's still alive. I'll investigate the matter now. If he's still alive, I won't let him escape. I promise to chop his head off and hand it to Tanner."

His voice was trembling as he gave him their word.

Letting out a snort, the law enforcers replied, "Tanner is displeased with your actions, so watch it. This is your last chance."

With that said, they spun on their heels and left.

After the law enforcers left, Zion hurried to the slum in the outskirts of Jadeborough where Flaxseed's house was.

When he arrived at Flaxseed's house, the door was locked. There was no one inside. "D*mn it, he escaped!" he cursed angrily.

Meanwhile, at the Deragon residence in Jadeborough, Ryker wore a grim expression.

He had been upset ever since he discovered that his son was possessed by a spirit.

“Dad, you’re right. Jared is still alive! Looks like I can get my revenge now!” Edgar was delighted to learn that Jared was still alive.

“Edgar, Jared’s strength has improved a lot. Even Zion couldn’t kill him, so you shouldn’t underestimate him!” Ryker reminded him.

“Don’t worry, Dad. Jared might’ve improved considerably, but I’m improving at a rapid speed, too. I hope you can find some martial arts expert for me to help me in my training,” Edgar responded.

Ryker knew what Edgar meant—the latter wanted to absorb other people’s power to improve his own strength.

However, Edgar will definitely attract Mr. Sanders’ attention if he absorbs the martial artists’ power in Jadeborough to increase his own strength. I remember Mr. Sanders mentioning this specifically in the meeting not long ago.

Nevertheless, he knew this was the only way for Edgar to take revenge. Otherwise, Edgar would never get to kill Jared.

“Okay. We can’t rush this, but I’ll think of a way to organize a training session. You can do whatever you want to do there,” Ryker said calmly.

“Thank you, my dear dad,” responded Edgar, guffawing loudly before he left.

On the other hand, Ryker seemed stumped. If he wanted to start a training session, the Warriors Alliance would not provide the location. Thus, the Deragons would have to provide the location themselves.

The location would have to be attractive enough. Ryker was reluctant to part with a valuable resource, but he had no choice.

I’ll have to do my best for Edgar’s sake.

With that thought in mind, Ryker got to his feet and went to contact the other families. He would need their help to organize a training session.

He also had to send a formal request to the Warriors Alliance and receive Mr. Sanders’ approval. There were many complicated steps.

Most importantly, Ryker could not let any big shots join the training session. It would cause a commotion if they were to join the training but ended up dying inside.

Some might even suspect the Deragon family for organizing the training. Thus, Ryker had to come up with a thorough plan before deciding on the location and candidates.

Because of this, he felt as if his head was about to explode.

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Chapter 1374 Make It Up

Three days had passed in the immortal's tomb. Flaxseed gazed at Jared in resignation after he realized he could not cultivate when Jared was around.

Just like a huge vacuum machine, Jared had absorbed all the spiritual energy into his body. It had only been three days, but the Verdant Ganoderma was all dried up. The spiritual soil had turned dark brown, as its spiritual energy was all used up.

Initially, Flaxseed thought it would take at least one month, but Jared managed to absorb the spiritual energy from the Verdant Ganoderma and the spiritual soil in just three days.

Finally, Flaxseed understood why Jared was this powerful at a young age. His technique was too horrifying! Right then, Jared slowly opened his eyes and exhaled sharply at the sight of the withered Verdant Ganoderma.

With the help of the Verdant Ganoderma and spiritual soil, he got to increase one level in Martial Arts Marquis. As of now, Jared was a Second Level Martial Arts Marquis.

"Mr. Flaxseed, how much time has since passed?" Jared asked since Flaxseed was staring at him intently.

"Three days," Flaxseed snapped.

"Three days?" Jared had no idea the Verdant Ganoderma's spiritual energy would be exhausted this fast. "Didn't you say it can last for at least one month?"

"It can last one month for an ordinary energy cultivator, but you are different. What sort of technique are you practicing? It's really horrifying! Just like a vacuum cleaner, you absorbed all the spiritual energy. I didn't even get anything!" Flaxseed roared.

Jared was embarrassed to hear that.

"I'm sorry. I didn't think too much about it. When we get out of here, I'll give you some herbs as compensation," he offered awkwardly.

"There's no need to wait till then. I want most of the treasures we get here," Flaxseed announced.

"There are other treasures?" Jared could not hide his surprise. "Isn't this Verdant Ganoderma a treasure? I thought this is a fake tomb. Why are there other treasures lying around?"

Jared assumed the Verdant Ganoderma was the only treasure in this tomb.

Flaxseed replied, "Even if this is a fake tomb, the Verdant Ganoderma isn't the only treasure here. You're underestimating the potential of an immortal!"

Having said that, Flaxseed leaped up and headed to the shore.

Jared could not contain his excitement as he went after Flaxseed.

I can't believe there are other treasures within the fake tomb!

"This is a Seven Stars Eclipse structure. The Seven Stars are not worth mentioning. The most important part is the last structure, Eclipse. This is a tomb, but not a real one. It is one of the seven fake tombs. However, the Verdant Ganoderma isn't the only treasure here. We can find the most valuable treasure in the last structure," Flaxseed explained patiently.

What? A Verdant Ganoderma is the least valuable magical item in this fake tomb? That means the magical items in the real tomb must be incredible!

Jared got all excited and vowed to find the real tomb if the opportunity arose.

Nevertheless, he knew finding the actual tomb would be extremely difficult.

Jared was still interested in the Eclipse structure of the fake tomb.

Flaxseed led Jared across the vast tomb. Despite his experience, Flaxseed was shocked at how huge it was.

In his years as a tomb raider, he had never seen such an enormous tomb.

Flaxseed ignored everything else as though he was sure about his destination. Jared was confused when he skipped all the other structures and strode ahead in determination.

Does Flaxseed know where the final Eclipse structure is?

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Chapter 1375 Treasure

"Where are we going? This is like a maze," Jared exclaimed. "Just follow me," came Flaxseed's answer. He then pulled out a palm-sized geomantic compass and allowed a drop of his blood to fall onto it.

At once, the geomantic compass began spinning wildly. Its pointer soon stopped and indicated a direction. Seeing that, Flaxseed went in the direction the geomantic compass indicated.

Without hesitation, Jared went after him closely and released his spiritual sense to search the area. He refused to put his guard down. After passing through six or seven caves, they finally arrived at a square. Jared's eyes narrowed at the sight.

There was an entrance right ahead with a restrictive energy that stopped them from advancing. Something glinted across Flaxseed's eyes when he spotted the entrance. In a low voice, he muttered, "This should be it."

"We found it?" Jared exclaimed excitedly.

Flaxseed nodded. "This should be the Eclipse structure."

Hearing that, Jared balled up his fists. He could barely tamp down his enthusiasm.

“Come, let’s head in!”

Jared was elated to find such a tomb.

He did not know what magical item they would find inside or what was lying in wait for them. He also had no idea if it was dangerous.

It was impossible for such a tomb to have no restrictions.

However, the treasures inside were definitely better than the Verdant Ganoderma.

Flaxseed bobbed his head and stepped forward while reminding Jared to stay behind him instead of wandering around.

Inside the stone cave, Flaxseed put his hands behind his back. Calmly, he started examining the structure. Indeed, this was the Seven Stars Eclipse. The final structure was Eclipse.

It was a majestic stone cave with carved beams and painted rafters. There were also some immortal statues that they did not recognize.

The rows of immortal statues went all the way to the top of the structure.

Ninety-nine jade steps led up to a white marble throne on top.

The place was otherwise empty.

The throne was protected by a strong restrictive energy. Thus, ordinary people could not go up the stairs.

The path leading to the throne did not seem accessible to ordinary people, too.

After glancing around the place, Jared asked, “Is this it? There isn’t anything here. Where are the treasures?” His voice was tinged with disappointment.

Flaxseed’s eyes widened in disbelief as he gazed at the throne.

“The Seven Stars Eclipse forms a tomb of an immortal. There must be a treasure on top of the throne!” he declared. His voice was trembling from anticipation.

As if he had lost his mind, Flaxseed beamed and ran toward the throne.

He had just placed one foot on the stairs when his body trembled. It felt like a horrifying burst of energy was heading toward him.

Flaxseed's heart sank as he quickly whipped out a charm and drew something on it.

"Breeze Charm!"

After sticking the charm on his body, he promptly turned as light as air. The enormous pressure had disappeared.

Flaxseed hurried up the stairs. He had just taken a few steps when the pressure rendered him unmoving again.

Flaxseed did not expect to be forced to get to his knees. A crack then appeared on the stairs.

The charm on Flaxseed's body burst into flames and was burned to ashes.

At once, Flaxseed could not even raise his head from the enormous pressure.

Nevertheless, he gritted his teeth and got to his feet. He then forced himself to take another step forward.

Right after he took one step, the terrifying power attacked him again. Flaxseed could not regain his balance and was sent flying out, resulting in his body crashing to the ground.

Fortunately, he did not go too far. Flaxseed spewed out a mouthful of blood from the impact of the attack.

A Man Like None Other Chapter 1376

Chapter 1376 Nothing

"Mr. Flaxseed!" Jared hurried forward to help him up. "T-This restrictive energy is too powerful," Flaxseed commented as his expression turned grim. "Get some rest. I'll walk up the stairs," Jared offered.

Before he could leave, Flaxseed stopped him hastily and stuck a charm on his body. "Be careful. The further you go, the stronger the restrictive energy is. If you can't take it any longer, come down. No matter how valuable the treasure is, it's more important to stay alive," Flaxseed reminded him.

Jared put on a solemn expression and nodded gravely. He took a deep breath before placing his foot on the first step.

At once, his body began glowing, signaling that his Golem Body had taken effect to defend him against the horrifying power.

As Jared's strength increased, his Golem Body would glow brighter.

Flaxseed grew increasingly nervous as he stared at Jared—he had no idea whether the latter was strong enough to climb to the top of the stairs.

With the help of the charm stuck to his body and the defense of Golem Body, Jared was able to walk in a swift manner without any restrictions.

He soon picked up speed as though the restriction was useless against him.

"Oh, what a talented man!" Flaxseed sighed as he stared at Jared's back.

Halfway up the stairs, Jared slowed down without warning.

His legs began trembling, and cold sweat formed on his brows. He seemed to have difficulty walking forward.

Boom!

Suddenly, the charm on Jared's body erupted into flames and was soon burned to ashes.

Clenching his jaw, Jared continued going up the stairs.

He soon reached the seventieth step.

By then, Jared was already bowing. Every step he took left a deep imprint on the stairs.

Jared felt as if a mountain was pinning him down, and he was suffocating.

Even so, he did not stop as he gritted his teeth and persisted.

When Jared arrived at the ninetieth step, his Golem Body exploded into pieces and disappeared. His muscles were exposed to the air, bearing the surmounting pressure.

There were only nine steps left, but Jared felt as if his entire body was about to get crushed.

His eyes turned bloodshot as he started charging ahead.

The sweat trickled down his body and turned red as it mixed with his blood.

Jared was shuddering violently. It took him all his might to take one step.

Seeing how tough it was, Flaxseed yelled hastily, "Jared, if you can't hold on, come down!"

However, Jared clenched his jaw and moved forward as though he had not heard Flaxseed at all.

His blood flowed to the ground and left a trail behind him.

"Ah!"

It was the final step, and Jared felt as though his blood was boiling. His veins were about to get crushed.

Letting out a thunderous roar, he released all his spiritual energy.

Suddenly, Jared stumbled and fell on the top of the stairs.

At once, all the pressure disappeared. Jared's muscles started contracting swiftly as the pressure was now gone.

Lying on the ground, he gasped for fresh air.

Shortly after, Jared rose to his feet slowly. He glanced at the white marble throne and saw two realistic dragon carvings on it. That was it.

The throne was one with the stairs, so it was impossible to take it away.

“Jared, are there any magical items up there?” Flaxseed asked loudly when he saw Jared standing up.

Jared shook his head. “There’s nothing except for the throne.”

“This shouldn’t be happening. This is the last structure, so there must be a magical item here!” Flaxseed furrowed his brows and fell into deep thought.

Caressing the white marble throne gently, Jared sat down on it out of curiosity.

Boom!

A terrifying flash of light came down from the ceiling when Jared sat down and covered him completely.

A Man Like None Other Chapter 1377

Chapter 1377 Become One

Soon, Jared’s body trembled as sweat poured down his back. With his eyes shut, he shivered violently as his expression turned dark. Downstairs, Flaxseed grew nervous when he saw Jared covered in the light. Jared looked like a king, and Flaxseed felt the urge to get on his knees to worship him.

A while later, Jared stopped trembling but remained bathed in the light. Slowly, a familiar scene appeared again. Jared realized the swordsman with a magic sword on his back had returned. He was caught off guard by a revolting stench that filled his nostrils.

He was delighted. Previously, he only caught a glimpse of the swordsman before Flaxseed pulled him out. Thus, he wanted to take a good look at the swordsman.

The swordsman pulled out his sword as nine shadow clones appeared. The following scene shocked Jared senseless. However, the swordsman swung his sword and fought against his own nine shadow clones.

He did not hold back and fought with all his might. Jared gazed at the swordsman intently despite having no idea what was going on. Soon, the swordsman killed the nine shadow clones.

Needless to say, Jared was dumbfounded. He could not understand why the swordsman would do that. He was at a loss when the swordsman turned around. His cool gaze bore into Jared.

Glancing around, Jared realized there was nothing beside him. The swordsman was staring at him. "Y-You can see me?" he asked in surprise.

The swordsman said nothing, but Jared's body started reacting. Despite not summoning the Dragonslayer Sword, it flew out of his body.

Flames surrounded the Dragonslayer Sword as it suspended midair, buzzing loudly.

The swordsman tossed his sword away, and both swords met midair.

Soon, the swords merged together and became one sword.

The flames on the Dragonslayer Sword disappeared, replaced by a greyish glow.

The moment both swords merged, the swordsman disappeared suddenly as though he had never shown up.

The Dragonslayer Sword returned to Jared, and he caught it easily.

When his hand wrapped around the Dragonslayer Sword, countless sword techniques overwhelmed and filled Jared's mind.

"Ah!" He jolted up from the throne and toppled to the ground.

Wrapping his hands around his head, he let out an anguished yell as though his head was about to burst.

Upon seeing such a scene, Flaxseed instantly ran up the stairs.

In doing so, he discovered that the restrictive energy was gone.

Thus, Flaxseed ran up the stairs and soon reached the top.

The color had drained out of Jared's face, and he was drenched in sweat. When his head was stuffed with all the information, Jared finally quietened down.

"Jared, what happened?" Flaxseed asked as he pulled Jared to his feet.

Jared was forced to stand up. The excruciating pain was still attacking his mind, but it was not that bad anymore.

"I'm fine." Jared shook his head. He then sent a spiritual sense into the Dragonslayer Sword.

To his surprise, there was a sword spirit within the Dragonslayer Sword. It might still be young, but with careful training, the Dragonslayer Sword would soon become a spiritual tool.

Dragonslayer Sword was one with Jared, but it was hard to control, as it did not have a mind of its own.

Now that there was a sword spirit within Dragonslayer Sword, it could gain a mind of its own when the sword spirit became mature.

It meant that Jared had one more helper that would always be by his side.

A Man Like None Other Chapter 1378

Chapter 1378 Collapse

Naturally, Jared was delighted. After making sure Jared was all right, Flaxseed glanced around. Besides the white marble chair, there was nothing else there.

"This is strange. Is there anything special about this white marble throne?" Flaxseed said as he plopped down on the throne. "No!" Jared thundered to stop Flaxseed.

His previous experience nearly tortured him to death, so he did not want Flaxseed to experience the same thing, too. Alas, it was too late. Flaxseed had already sat down.

After sitting down, Flaxseed moved around a few times, but nothing out of the ordinary happened. No light shone on him. As nothing happened, Jared heaved a sigh of relief. Looks like the white marble chair can only be activated once.

“Jared, what happened when you sat down earlier?” Flaxseed inquired. Jared did not want to lie to him, so he honestly revealed everything he saw to Flaxseed.

After hearing that, Flaxseed gaped incredulously. “Let me look at your sword,” he requested. That was the first time he had ever heard of something like this.

Jared obediently handed Dragonslayer Sword to Flaxseed. Once Flaxseed’s hand came in contact with the sword, it started buzzing loudly. Flaxseed immediately tossed it away.

“D*mn it! Why is it burning? I almost got scalded!” he declared in surprise.

Confused, Jared picked Dragonslayer Sword up and did not find anything wrong with it.

“It isn’t burning,” Jared uttered as he gave the sword to Flaxseed again.

This time, Flaxseed dared not take the sword. Waving his hands, he stated, “Forget it. Looks like lady luck is on your side. I got nothing here this time.”

He did not bother hiding his disappointment. When they used the Verdant Ganoderma to cultivate, Jared absorbed all the spiritual energy. Now, Jared even inherited a sword technique and got a sword spirit!

I got nothing and was even wounded earlier. What a huge loss!

Jared flashed an awkward smile. “Should we continue searching around? There might be magical items elsewhere.” He tried to comfort Flaxseed.

Before Flaxseed could say anything, they both heard a loud rumble.

The entire ancient tomb started shaking violently.

“Oh, no. It is going to collapse! We need to leave now.” Flaxseed’s expression changed.

He immediately led Jared out.

Back in Crimson Palace, Cecilia and the rest were on full alert.

The entire Crimson Palace was shaking, but she had no idea what was going on.

“Cecilia, is there an earthquake?” Millie asked.

“I’m not sure. Everyone, be careful,” Cecilia remarked sternly.

She was not worried that something would happen to Crimson Palace. On the contrary, she was worried about Jared. They went in a couple of days ago but hadn’t come out yet. The place is shaking, so I’m afraid he’s in trouble.

Fortunately, the shaking soon came to a stop.

A ripple spread across the illusion spell that Flaxseed placed in Crimson Palace.

At once, Cecilia’s jaw dropped in shock, for that meant that someone was trying to break through the illusion spell outside to barge into Crimson Palace.

“There’s an intruder! Put your guards up!” Cecilia barked out an order.

Every disciple in Crimson Palace immediately went on full alert.

Boom!

The illusion spell was soon destroyed, exposing Crimson Palace to the naked eye.

Outside the door, Tobias and his men were waiting to attack Crimson Palace.

After Tobias got wounded by the ambush when he was fighting against Jared, he could barely tamp down his fury.

The moment his body recovered completely, he immediately came all the way here to avenge himself. He wanted to take revenge against Jared.

A Man Like None Other Chapter 1379

Chapter 1379 Too Arrogant

Cecilia went pale when she spotted Tobias standing before her. Everyone else also blanched in horror. Millie hid behind Cecilia fearfully.

"Where is Jared Chance? I want to see him now and the person who ambushed me. Tell them to come out. Now!" Tobias roared angrily.

"Jared isn't here," Cecilia replied in a trembling voice.

"Nonsense! I sent my men to keep an eye on Crimson Palace. Jared never left!" Tobias glared at her. "You'd better ask him to come out now, or I shall tear Crimson Palace down!" he declared arrogantly.

As his words fell, he unleashed a horrifying aura that engulfed everyone in Crimson Palace. The pressure from a Martial Arts Marquis was too horrendous.

At once, a few weak disciples of Crimson Palace spat out blood and collapsed to the ground. Cecilia released her aura to go against Tobias' strong aura, but she was no match for Tobias even though she had done her best.

In the blink of an eye, her resistance was crushed into pieces. "Let me repeat myself. Tell Jared to come out," Tobias ordered icily. Cecilia insisted, "Jared isn't in Crimson Palace. I-I'm telling the truth. You can search the place if you don't trust me."

There was no way Cecilia could summon Jared, for she did not even know where he was.

"Ha! Trying to deceive me, huh?" Tobias snorted.

He then emerged before Cecilia in a flash and grabbed her throat.

Cecilia could not breathe, and her cheeks turned crimson red.

"Let Cecilia go!" Seeing that, Millie rushed forward and slapped Tobias, hard.

A cold gleam appeared in Tobias' eyes as he sent Millie flying with a mere wave, resulting in the latter spewing out blood and crashing onto the ground.

"Millie!" Cecilia screamed in shock.

Seeing her reaction, Tobias realized she cared a lot about her sister. He ended up releasing her and promptly sucked Millie over with his energy.

"Cecilia, you'd better summon Jared right now. Otherwise, there is no telling what I'll do to your sister," he warned.

To everyone's shock, he leaned down and sniffed Millie's neck.

A frightened Millie started struggling with all her might as she cried helplessly.

"No, no!" Cecilia hollered in despair. Her eyes were filled with helplessness and fear.

She was not afraid of dying, but there was no way she would watch as her sister got harmed right before her eyes!

"If you don't want her to get hurt, get Jared to come out now!" Tobias gave his final warning, his patience wearing thin.

Covering her face, Cecilia sobbed helplessly. She was at a loss about what to do.

Where can I find Jared?

At her most dejected moment, a hand patted her shoulder gently.

Despite her shock, Cecilia felt a familiar sensation.

She whipped her head up to see Jared giving her a comforting look.

"Jared!" Cecilia threw herself into Jared's arms.

Finally, help was here.

Jared patted her silky hair in a comforting manner to calm her down.

“Jared, you finally have the guts to show yourself, huh?” Tobias roared furiously.

“Let Millie go. Otherwise, I’ll make your life a living hell,” Jared told him, his voice as cold as ice.

Hearing that, Tobias burst out laughing. “Ha! Look how arrogant you are! If you hadn’t gotten help from someone who ambushed me, I would’ve taken your life, and you would’ve been dead by now! Stop boasting!”

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“Terrified?” Jared asked indifferently. “Terrified? Of what? I’m not scared of anything, especially a loser like you,” Tobias replied disdainfully.

“Since you’re not afraid, why are you using the girl as your shield? Are you bold enough to battle with me openly? Just the two of us. And nobody is allowed to lend a hand.” Jared put forward his request calmly.

“Sure! I’ll take you on single-handedly.” After saying that, Tobias pushed Millie away. Fortunately, Jared caught her and handed her over to Cecilia. “Step back, you two. I must get rid of him today.”

Cecilia stared at Jared with concern. “Please be careful.” “Don’t worry, Lady Jingle. Jared is a blessed man. Nothing untoward will happen to him.”

Flaxseed was aware of what Jared had been through for the past few days. He has made tremendous improvement! Soon, Cecilia and the others retreated, leaving Jared and Tobias on the battlefield.

“I’ll kill you today!” announced Jared as he cast a look at Tobias. “Hmph! It’s still too early to claim victory.”

With that, Tobias exuded a massive malicious aura. Instantly, the surroundings looked as if a whirlwind was passing by, causing the crowd’s clothes to flap noisily in the air.

The earth shook unexpectedly while the pebbles were swept off the ground and into the air, enveloping the sky and blocking out the sun.

Even so, Jared remained unperturbed as he stood there, looking composed and did not even bat an eyelid.

“The Soaring Hawk!” Tobias exclaimed before jumping into the air like a magnificent eagle.

He loomed over Jared for a moment before launching an attack on his head.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

His hand whooshed in the air with a petrifying whiz.

Each strike was so powerful that it was sufficient to punch through at least five big holes in any layer of metal walls.

Jared calmly lifted his head, moved his palms, and delivered a menacing blow at his opponent.

Huff!

Suddenly, an insane gust of howling wind swirled from his move and turned into a violent hurricane.

Jared’s palm was smashed into Tobias’ following a sickening thud.

Instantly, the impact of the strong force was so immense that it made the latter imbalance.

Startled, Tobias stumbled backward.

He gazed at Jared incredulously, his eyes full of disbelief.

It has only been several days, but Jared’s strength has improved significantly!

Even though Tobias did not exert all of his strength to hit Jared, he was taken aback by how easily Jared dodged the attack.

“The Kracken!”

Subsequently, Tobias crisscrossed his palms across his chest, releasing several transparent claw energies, which he directed at Jared.

The sharp glow from the ferocious ball of energy glinted across the air and produced a deafening noise.

Within moments, the claw energy appeared in front of Jared.

This time, Jared did not move a muscle. A ray of golden beam emanated from his body, and scales started forming all over him.

With that, he had activated Golem Body.

It was a blinding sight, as his Golem Body was even brighter and more dazzling when compared to the sunlight.

Ding! Ding! Ding!

Tobias started striking Jared with his powerful claw energy, leaving multiple white marks on the latter’s Golem Body. Yet, he still could not break through the Golem Body.

Tobias was utterly flabbergasted.

How many days has it been? How did Jared improve his caliber all of a sudden? Tobias could not wrap his head around it.

Cecilia and the others, who were standing nearby, were also shocked to the core.

The table has completely turned within days! From the way Jared fights, he seems to be able to defeat Tobias now.

Flaxseed was the only one with sparkles in his eyes. Staring at Jared intently, he mumbled, “This man isn’t an ordinary person. He’s not a mere mortal...”