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Hearing that, Josephine could only return the book to Melanie and then said, "How are you two doing right now? If possible, we need to familiarize ourselves with this secret realm first!"

"We're fine." Renee and Melanie both nodded. Afterward, Josephine led the two of them to explore the secret realm. However, as they proceeded, she didn't encounter anyone from Evil Heart Sect or even a demon beast.

It was unusual for such a vast secret realm to have no demon beasts, as they were resources in the secret realm. The demon beasts were ultimately destined to have their beast cores devoured by cultivators to aid the latter in their cultivation.

Oddly, that secret realm had nothing, not even a trace of living creatures' aura. Nevertheless, the environment of the secret realm was quite pleasant and not harsh, which spared the three women a lot of hardship. After walking for some distance, Melanie began to struggle.

After all, she was just an ordinary person, unlike Josephine and Renee, who could persevere even without food or drink. Taking in Melanie's demeanor, Josephine had no choice but to stop and rest.

"Renee, watch over Melanie. I'll go look for wild fruits or something similar that we can eat." Since the secret realm lacked living creatures, they could only search for sustenance, such as wild fruits, to quell their hunger.

Josephine went to look for something edible. Meanwhile, not far from them, Kai sat cross-legged, unleashing Focus Technique to its limit to absorb the spiritual energy around him.

During that period, he had already scoured the entire secret realm but couldn't find an exit. There was no way out on the peaks of mountains or depths of rivers.

The surroundings of the secret realm were full of chaos. Kai had once tried to pass through the chaos as he did in Demon Sect, hoping to leave the secret realm.

However, he couldn't even take a single step into the chaos, as it was filled with turbulent space-time flows and was impossible to traverse.

As a result, Kai could only focus on improving his cultivation at that moment and pin his hopes on Flaxseed and the others, wishing they could find a way to open the entrance. While Kai was cultivating, a sudden ripple flashed through his mind, indicating that his spiritual sense had detected an aura fluctuation.

“There’s someone here?” Kai abruptly opened his eyes. A look of indescribable excitement spread across his face. Following the feeling of his spiritual sense, Kai quickly moved toward the location of the aura fluctuation.

At the same time, Josephine was searching for food, completely unaware that someone was approaching her. Just like that, the distance between the two gradually shortened.

As they got closer to one another, Kai could clearly sense the familiarity of that aura. “Josephine’s aura? Could it be her? Is she really confined in this place?”

Grinning ear to ear, Kai quickened his pace. Soon, a figure appeared before his vision. When he saw the person in front of him, Kai instantly froze. He stood unmoving in his spot as if he had been immobilized by a spell. His facial expression was a mix of emotions,

changing from surprised to thrilled and finally to bewildered. I’ve searched the entire secret realm and found no one, so how did Josephine suddenly show up now?

At that instant, Josephine looked up and saw the stunned Kai, prompting her to fall into a daze too. The two stood rooted in their spots, staring at each other without speaking. Still, the excitement and exhilaration in their eyes were evident.

“Kai!” Finally, after several minutes of holding one another’s gaze, Josephine called out and ran toward him. “Josephine!” Kai dashed in her direction as well. Shortly after, the couple embraced each other tightly. Sensing Josephine’s warmth, Kai channeled a stream of spiritual energy into her.

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After confirming that Josephine was not a phantom image, hot tears burst out from Kai’s eyes. In utter disbelief, he asked, “Is this real, Josephine? Are you real?”

“Yes. It’s real...” Tears of joy streaked Josephine’s face too. The long-separated lovers had finally reunited with each other. Even though they had many questions, none of them could form coherent sentences at this moment.

Kai’s eyes fixated on Josephine’s tear-stained face. He had longed to see his lover for a long time. Ultimately, he could no longer resist the urge to kiss her on the lips.

Josephine returned his kiss passionately. Nothing else in the world mattered to them other than the other party. They were so deeply engrossed in their kiss that they disregarded everything else.

Their kiss lasted for a while, only ending after Josephine had breathing difficulties and Kai let her go. She looked at the darkened sky, finally remembering that she was here to forage for food.

“Oh, no. I forgot I was here to search for food. Melanie must still be famished now,” Josephine stated urgently. “Melanie? Do you mean Melanie Woodlands? She’s around this place too?” Kai asked, shocked.

“I’ll explain it to you later. Why don’t you help me seek edibles? Then, we can talk as we walk back...” Josephine urged Kai along. Soon, both found some wild vegetables and fruits before returning to Melanie’s side.

As they walked, Josephine recounted the story to Kai. That was when the man finally found out that Malphas had abducted both Renee and Melanie into this secret realm. Kai’s interest was piqued when he heard about the book Arthur gave to Melanie.

How did Mr. Sanders know that Melanie and Renee would run into me? Was it in his prediction that these two women would be kidnapped by Evil Heart Sect, and abandoned here in the secret realm? Besides, what is the true motive for abducting them?

The circumstances were shrouded in mystery, and it bothered Kai. Quickly, Kai and Josephine arrived at their destination. Before them, Melanie was lying weakly on the ground while Renee stayed beside and caring for her.

Detecting movement near her, Renee lifted her head. She was stunned the minute she saw Kai. Then, the woman immediately jumped up from the ground. “Kai! It’s you... I never thought that I would really meet you here...”

Meanwhile, Melanie heard Renee’s excited screams. She tried to raise her head to determine the cause of the latter’s joy. When Kai’s face appeared before her, she felt her body injected with energy, and she got up right away.

The group exchanged pleasantries joyously, letting Melanie consume some wild fruits to replenish her energy. Just then, Melanie took out the book Arthur gave her. “Mr. Sanders told us to pass it to you so we haven’t flipped through it.”

Kai took the aged and worn book, feeling a bizarre aura from it. Frowning, he peered at Josephine. “Josephine, have you ever laid your hands on this book before?”

“Yes, I did. But I didn’t open it.” Came Josephine’s reply. “You felt that strange aura coming from it?” Kai probed further. “No. I felt nothing at all. It was just an ordinary book to me.” She shook her head.

“That’s odd.” Surprise gripped Kai. He proceeded to flip the book open. Everyone was stunned when they saw the content, for there were no words in it. The pages were left blank. “W-Why isn’t there any content in this book?”

Renee gaped in astonishment. “Kai, could this be a magical book we must unlock to view its subject matters?” Josephine suggested. Kai nodded. “It’s possible...” Then, he transferred a flow of aura into the book. No visible changes were made, though. The book was still empty.

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“This is strange...” Kai furrowed his brows. “Why did Mr. Sanders give us a Wordless Tome? He didn’t let us know how...” Melanie was perplexed.

“I’m sure he has reasons for giving me this book. If he didn’t tell me how I should decrypt it, then he must have thought I have my ways of reading it.”

Kai’s admiration for Arthur was endless, not just because he helped him. But because he felt that Arthur was a knowledgeable person who knew and understood everything under the stars.

“Kai, do you think you need to use your blood to connect to Wordless Tome to decrypt it?” Josephine questioned then. Hearing her words, Kai quickly bit his finger and smeared a few drops of blood on Wordless Tome.

As expected, the book absorbed Kai’s blood. Instantly before it emitted a glow. A drawing slowly became apparent on the first page of Wordless Tome. Multiple scarlet-colored blood stripes appeared, revealing a map on it. Renee exclaimed excitedly after seeing the book’s changes. “Yay! Finally. Now I can see the book’s content!”

Kai didn’t stop to look at the map first, though. He flipped to other pages, dropping his blood onto them. However, Wordless Tome didn’t react to his blood this time, as the pages remained empty.

Kai and the rest froze, noticing how Wordless Tome was unresponsive. They thought they had found the correct way to unlock the book’s contents. Yet, only one page of helpful information was all they got. Josephine spoke up, “Let’s take a look at the map. Maybe the way to unlocking its content is hidden in the map.’ ”

They gathered together, carefully reviewing the map details on the first page. Then, they realized the map was nothing like any place in the mundane world. While the rest was engrossed in their thinking, Kai’s eyes lit up. “Oh, I got it!” He shouted happily, scaring the others.

He continued, gesturing at the map, "Look here. This map is the map of this secret realm we are in now. See this mountain, this water body, and this jungle? It's the exact replica of our current location." The women didn't know what he was going on about, though, for they had just arrived at the secret realm..

Kai used to be clueless like them too. He wouldn't have realized this was the map of the secret realm they were in if he hadn't walked around it trying to find Josephine and the exit. Renee was confused. "But then there's no symbol or whatsoever on this map. What's the point of having it in our hands?"

She had barely finished speaking when moonlight cast its light onto Wordless Tome. Wordless Tome radiated a faint glow quickly as a red dot on the map slowly materialized.

The red dot sparkled, an obvious sign that it was deliberately marked to showcase its importance. "Look! Right here! Maybe this red dot is an indication of the exit?" Melanie pointed at the twinkle on the map.

"It doesn't matter. We have to browse around the area. This Wordless Tome would surely be a great help to the current situation if Mr. Sanders was determined to pass it to me." Kai believed that Arthur would never give him a random, useless book.

And so, Kai traveled to the location shown on the map with the three women. In the meantime, Pascal and Sherman who were dressed in rags climbed up the inclining path on a steep mountain in the mundane world. "Hang in there, Sherman. We'll be reaching Kusch Monastery shortly," Pascal encouraged his son as they walked.

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Even though the path on the way up was steep and challenging to traverse, they soon conquered the mountain. The father-and-son duo was amazed by the spectacular sight when they reached the top.

A resplendent and majestic monastery occupied almost the entire area atop the mountain. They were so near the clouds that they could extend and touch them while the refreshing air helped to clear their mind.

"Dad, is this Kusch Monastery you talked about?" Sherman asked astonishingly, his eyes glued to the building. I thought monasteries were small and run-down. This is certainly not what I expect!

Pascal nodded. "Yeap. That's Kusch Monastery standing before you, and my senior, Yosef, is the abbot here. Please call him Mr. Jenkins when you see him later."

Pascal and Sherman arrived before Kusch Monastery as they chatted. With thousands of disciples present, loud voices resonated across the halls of Kusch Monastery.

Sherman was noticeably surprised to realize that many of the disciples were average citizens. He couldn't believe it. "Dad, it took us great effort to climb the steep hill even though we're martial artists. How did these people do it?"

"What you see is the power of belief. We are incomparable to these citizens when it comes to their faith. They dedicated their whole life to God, wanting him to protect them..." Pascal sighed, watching the disciples' movements.

Sherman sneered. "We are in control of our life. If they really thought these entities could help them out, then they are more innocent than I thought."

To Sherman, nothing was more dependable than having true, powerful strength. However, the moment Sherman finished speaking, suffocation overwhelmed him. His eyes widened as his face twitched violently from the lack of air.

"Scoundrel, that is blasphemy in Kusch Monastery. This action is intolerable!" A deep voice slowly drifted into Sherman's ears. The sudden situation terrified Sherman. He plopped to the ground in a kneeling position immediately.

Meanwhile, Pascal realized what had happened. Instantly when he spotted Sherman's peculiar reaction. He used internal energy to transmit a message. "Yosef, it's me. Pascal Schneider from Crafting Clan. I'm here for a quick

visitation. Please forgive my son's ignorance."

The pressure on Sherman vanished, and he could breathe easier after Pascal clarified the intention of his visit.

Soon, an older-looking priest in his seventies or eighties strolled out of Kusch Monastery. His brows were white, and patches adorned his robe. Yet, there was whistling wind around him when he walked.

It was none other than Yosef Jenkins of Kusch Monastery. "Yosef..." Pascal dashed forward, tears rolling down his face when he saw the man. Sherman stepped forward quickly in response, greeting, "Mr. Jenkins."

Yosef swept his eyes over them. A frown appeared on his face before he invited, "Follow me into the building." Pascal and Sherman trailed behind Yosef, walking through the hallways before arriving at the back hall.

"Leave us now..." Yosef waved his hand, chasing the other priests out of the hall. Then, he asked, "Pascal, you were the head of Crafting Clan. What happened to you?"

Disheartened by Yosef's question, Pascal sobbed again. "Yosef, you must exact revenge on behalf of me!" With that, he kneeled before the latter. Sherman immediately followed suit and knelt on the ground.

"Pascal, even though you and I went separate ways after finishing our apprenticeship and had not contacted each other for a long time, I would never leave you behind when trouble arises."

Yosef continued while helping Pascal up. "So now, tell me what went wrong." "My Crafting Clan is gone, Yosef. Someone destroyed it!" Pascal stated sadly.

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"Destroyed? What do you mean?" Yosef was stunned. "Even though you are not the most powerful man, you have various top-quality magical items in your possession. Were they useless in defending Crafting Clan against harm? Other than the people who remained in solace, seeking to become immortal, who else can wreak havoc in Crafting Clan in the mundane world?"

Yosef added, "Were the people from the secret realm behind this?" Pascal shook his head. "None of them. It wasn't the secret realm, nor was it those secluded sects. It was done by a man named Kai Chance!"

"Kai Chance?" Yosef furrowed his brows. "What's his background? How did he destroy Crafting Clan? What happened to those magical items?\*

"I don't know much about him too. I only knew that he was recently the most powerful man in the martial arts world. A newcomer that had just shown his capabilities, Kai is only in his twenties."

Pascal didn't know much about Kai's background for Crafting Clan did not mingle much with the mundane world. "Newbie?" Yosef was shocked. "He must be a Martial Arts Saint or even higher if he could ruin Crafting Clan. It isn't possible for an amateur to reach the cultivation level of Martial Arts Saint suddenly! I'm sure he is part of some secret sect.

There must be an unknown secret behind this. Many older adults' complexions would return to their youth after they reached an ultimate cultivation level and require zero effort to live to hundreds of years old. Maybe this Kai is the elder of one of the secret sects?"

Yosef didn't believe a man in his twenties could achieve the cultivation level of a Martial Arts Saint. It wouldn't be an unachievable task if they were in the secret realm because a lot of spiritual energy cultivators stayed there, and these people had great starting

points. Kai needed to build a steady base step-by-step if he was just a mere martial artist.

All martial artists try their hardest to cultivate and achieve the highest cultivation level, Manifestor. Once they reach that point, becoming immortal would be an easy feat.

It was then these cultivators could continue their journey toward the great unknown. However, some people had higher starting points the moment they stepped into the heavenly realm. Combined with their innate ability and the resources accumulated, it was highly possible for these people to reach the cultivation level of Martial Arts Saints in their twenties.

In the mundane world, Martial Arts Saints in their twenties were a rare sight unless they had an unexpected chance or had the support of their secret sect, allowing them to gather as many resources as they wanted.

A newbie without any of these predetermined conditions, power, or influence would face severe problems in reaching the Martial Arts Saint level in their twenties.

“Mr. Jenkins, I don’t think Kai restored his youth. Besides, our magical items could not harm him at all. What if he is a spiritual energy cultivator?” Sherman denied Yosef’s allegations. Kai looked nothing like an older man returning to his youth from his point of view.

“That’s impossible. The laws of nature govern spiritual energy cultivators and can’t up their capabilities without any control in the mundane world. Their existence is against every law of nature in this world, so they can’t stay in the mundane world for an extended period.”

Yosef added, “Unless they give up on cultivating and let their cultivation stop at a standstill or even regress. If not, there’s no way they can stay in the mundane world. Don’t tell me you are clueless about this when people from Crafting Clan always mix around with the people from the secret realm,” looking at Sherman.

“I... It’s true that I was not aware of that!” Sherman replied in an embarrassed manner. Pascal jumped to Sherman’s defense. “Yosef, there are many things that I’ve kept hidden from him because he is still young. But then, if Kai is no spiritual energy cultivator, why does he have such excellent capabilities?”

Moreover, I’ve never heard anything about him belonging to any secluded sect!” Confusion was evident on Pascal’s face. The question of whether Kai was a spiritual energy cultivator remained a mystery to him.