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Chapter 2471 Need A Short Break

"Thank you, kid," an armored beast said to Kai out of the blue.

Kai jumped in fright, never having expected armored beasts to possess the ability of speech.

"You all can talk?" Kai exclaimed in utter surprise.

"But of course! We cultivated for thousands of years. If it weren't for the fact that we had starved for over ten years, we might even be able to transform into a human now. In comparison, talking is nothing. The demon beasts in Demon King City have taken human forms ages ago, living exactly like humans!" the armored beast bragged.

"Demon King City?" Kai was momentarily taken aback, not quite comprehending the kind of place that was. Well, I guess it's the demon beasts' territory.

"You wouldn't understand even if I were to tell you about it. Judging from your aura, you don't seem to be from Ethereal Realm. Where's Master Hammerhead? I want to know where those from Divine Smithing Sect have gone in the past ten or so years. We worked diligently here to mine spirit ores. Unexpectedly, no one came later on," the armored beast demanded.

"Disaster befell Divine Smithing Sect over ten years ago, sir. It was wiped out of existence by Fire Incineration Sect, and the sect leader of Divine Smithing Sect was captured. Master Hammerhead only survived because he fled to the mundane world. For that reason, no one came to the mine anymore," Kai hurriedly explained.

"Wiped out of existence? I didn't expect humans to treat their own kind so ruthlessly." The armored beast sounded noticeably surprised.

After saying that, it continued, "Is Master Hammerhead in the depths of the mine? Bring me to him. The essence from the spirit ores earlier is enough to allow us to move for the time being, but it's far from sufficient to sate our hunger."

Giving a dip of his head in assent, Kai led the few armored beasts into the depths of the mine.

Soon, they found Hammerhead and Flaxseed. The two of them were laid out on the ground from refining spirit ores, so exhausted that they could not even stand.

When Hammerhead saw that the few armored beasts could move, he was instantly over the moon.

"You guys have finally recovered! I know those ore essences aren't enough to fill you, but we're the only three people refining spirits ores here. We really can't continue anymore and need a short break. We'll resume refining ores after resting for a few days. Please wait patiently for a couple of days," he said to the few armored beasts in all politeness.

"Sure! With just those ore essences alone, we can survive for a few years," one of the armored beasts replied.

However, Kai had objections to that. He had no time to tarry there and refine ores. The Spiritual Energy Restoration Formation would be activated shortly, and he needed to rush back as soon as possible.

"Master Hammerhead, we've got to rush back to the mundane world as soon as possible, so we can't tarry here for long. I can still continue refining now. But these spirit ores are of too low a grade. Are there any high-grade ones? Refining high-grade spirit ores can allow these armored beasts to recover faster," he interjected.

Sweeping a gaze over him, Hammerhead countered, "You've just learned smithing and refining skills. It's already impressive that you can refine the essence of a spirit ore of such a grade with just a few hits. Yet, you want to refine high-grade spirit ores?"

Kai said nothing to that. Instead, he picked a gigantic piece of spirit ore before bringing his hammer down on it hard. The tough spirit ore promptly shattered as loads of impurities turned into powder.

An ore essence bigger than the size of a fist remained. The crystal clear ore essence emanated a distinct aura and brilliance that made one immediately feel beyond comfortable.

Gaping at the ore essence refined by the man, Hammerhead was wholly stunned. Even if he were the one doing the job, he could not possibly refine such a spirit ore with just a single hit. Most importantly, the resulting ore essence was visibly pure without a hint of impurity.

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Chapter 2472 Gift You Something

"Kai, did you already know smithing and refining previously? Otherwise, how could you possibly have such proficient skills in such a short time?" Hammerhead asked incredulously.

In response, Kai shook his head. "No, Master Hammerhead. I just learned it earlier. Perhaps I've got better insight, so I mastered it faster."

"No matter how good your insight, no one who has just learned smithing and refining skills could refine a spirit ore of this grade with a single hit of the hammer, kid. Back then, the sect leader of Divine Smithing Sect also had great insight and talent for smithing. But even he did not have the capability of refining a spirit ore of such a grade when he had only mastered the skills," an armored beast commented in disbelief.

"Then, maybe my insight is better than that of the leader of Divine Smithing Sect," Kai suggested with a smile.

At that, both Hammerhead and the armored beast were rendered speechless. If they had not personally witnessed the man refining the spirit ore, they would never have believed it.

"Kai always surprises people. You won't be astounded anymore when you've known him longer," Flaxseed chipped in.

He was not the least bit surprised about Kai's insight toward smithing because he knew that the man was not an ordinary person in the first place. Anything was possible with him.

"Can you take me to refine some high-grade spirit ores now? If we only refine ones of such a grade, I'm afraid we wouldn't be able to sate these few armored beasts anytime soon," Kai appealed.

"Sure! Hop on, and I'll take you there!" offered the armored beast capable of speech.

With a leap, Kai sat astride it. The armored beast sprinted forward at once, blurring into a streak.

It was lightning fast in the mine. Even when it encountered spots where there were rockfalls, it did not slow, swiftly darting through the rocks. In no time, it brought him to the mine's deepest recesses.

At that moment, the entire mine was bathed in a purple glow. The spiritual stones everywhere emitted a purple light. It was apparent that they had reached the deepest part of the mine, and the spirit ores there were of the highest grade.

"Here's the place. This is the deepest part of the mine, and this type of ore is also currently of the highest grade," the armored beast stated.

Kai nodded in understanding. Without an ounce of hesitation, he got down to business. Ore essences were continuously refined through his hands.

The armored beast wolfed them down greedily. Shortly after, it was full.

After having had its fill, it did not sit around and do nothing. Instead, it relentlessly mined spirit ores from the surrounding rock walls in the mine for the man to refine.

Some time passed. By then, the pile of ore essences before Kai had grown into the size of a small hill.

Wiping the sweat off his forehead, Kai asked the armored beast, "Mr. Armored Beast, these ore essences are enough to last the few of you for a while, yes?"

"Yes, yes!" the armored beast answered in excitement.

"All right, then. Let's go back. I wonder how long we've been here."

Since Kai was in a mine, he could no longer tell time and had no idea how long had passed.

He placed the ore essences into his Storage Ring and planned to have the armored beast take him back.

Unexpectedly, the armored beast declared, "I must also gift you something since you've done us such a huge favor, kid."

"What is it?" Kai questioned in surprise.

What kind of gift could these armored beasts give me when they've been starved for more than ten years?

With that said, the armored beast began utilizing its two paws, digging through the wall of the mine ceaselessly.

Its speed was incredibly fast, and the mine that had initially reached its end had been deepened dozens of meters in an instant. Throughout it all, spirit ores came to light.

At the sight of them, Kai remarked helplessly, "I've still got something to do, Mr. Armored Beast. Thus, I haven't the time to refine these spirit ores."