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“You... You...”

The man was lost for words as he stared at Kai in disbelief. Right then, Kai released his hold on the man. “Take me to him.”

After a slight hesitation, the man led Kai to Vinicus, whose expression darkened when he saw the two. “Gregory, what are you doing? Why haven’t you kill him?”

Gregory Stark remained silent as a conflicted expression appeared on his face. Kai looked at Vinicus and said, “How dare a Demonic Cultivator like you show your face here? Shouldn’t you be hiding somewhere?”

Vinicus knew right off the bat that Gregory had betrayed him when Kai revealed his identity. With no need to conceal who he was, he emitted a black mist that was synonymous with demonic techniques. “Gregory, do you know the consequences of exposing my identity?” Vinicus thundered.

Gregory gritted his teeth and looked up abruptly. “I do, but even if I have to die, I won’t stand by the side of evil anymore. The fact that I’ve helped you hide your demonic aura has allowed you to kill countless men! Worse comes to worst, I’ll lose my life, but there’s no way I’m going to make pills that hide your demonic aura anymore. If you want to kill me, go ahead! Take my life!”

“Fine. Since you have a death wish, I’ll make it come true. Do you think a lowly cultivator at Second Level Body Fusion Realm can save you?” Vinicus moved his finger, and a black mist began to rise from his body. Gregory let out an agonized scream as he convulsed on the ground.

“Kill me, young man. Kill me. I can’t bear this torment any longer,” Gregory begged Kai. Kai furrowed his brows and grabbed Gregory’s wrist.

After sending a burst of spiritual energy into Gregory’s body, Kai detected a demonic aura running wild within it that was causing Gregory unbearable pain. “Don’t worry. You’ll survive as long as I’m around.”

Kai stabbed his finger at multiple points across Gregory’s body, causing a maelstrom of black mist to form right above Gregory’s head.

Then, Kai sucked in the black mist. After only a short moment, the demonic aura inside Gregory disappeared and was sucked into Kai's body. Gregory was dumbfounded.

"What have you done, young man? You'll suffer a fate worse than death by filling yourself with demonic aura." Gregory couldn't understand why Kai would do something like that.

"Don't worry. I'll be fine," Kai reassured him before turning to Vinicus. Vinicus was just as shocked as he stared at Kai. "Who in the world are you to absorb demonic aura into your body?"

"Who am I is none of your business. You still have a chance to leave now. I'm on my way to attend the Alchemist Fair and I don't want you to cause any trouble. Also, I don't care if you're a demon, beast, or human. I won't bother you as long as you stay out of my way," Kai replied with a wave of his hand.

The stunned Vinicus scrutinized Kai from head to toe. He couldn't believe how a cultivator at Second Level Body Fusion Realm dared to speak to him that way.

He was, after all, a cultivator at Sixth Level Body Fusion Realm. The gap in their powers was so big that he could kill Kai with a single slap. Vinicus had no idea how Kai could be so confident

Even Gregory was clueless as to what was happening. Kai might have demonstrated something out of his cultivation level, but defeating a cultivator at Sixth Level Body Fusion Realm was still an impossible feat for him.

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"You're being ridiculous, young man, and you got some nerve to say that. Let's see what you can actually do to me." The moment he finished, Vinicus unleashed the frosty energy within him that engulfed the surrounding forest.

Then, he stretched his hand out and clenched his fist. His body emitted a black flame that morphed into fire dragons that charged at Kai. Kai thought the black flame looked familiar.

Mr. Chance, this is demonic fire. I'm surprised to see that this old man is from the Inferno Devil lineage. It's just that his demonic fire is too weak and not as pure as mine.

Faiyar's voice suddenly rang out in Kai's head. Only then did Kai realize why he found the flame familiar but he couldn't remember as it was an impure form of demonic fire.

"Since you like playing with fire, let me join in. the fun." Kai twisted his wrist, and a flame was ignited. at the tip of his fingers. He flicked his fingers and fired the flame forward.

Faced with Kai's attack, Vinicus couldn't help but guffaw. "Hahaha, are you kidding me? Do you really think you can defeat me with that tiny flame of yours? That's like an insect trying to go up against a giant."

His disdain for the flame Kai had ignited. couldn't be any more obvious. The flame was nothing compared to the fire dragons he had conjured up.

However, Vinicus had no idea that the unassuming flame Kai had ignited was the purest form of demonic fire.

Boom! Right after Kai shot the flame, it suddenly exploded in mid-air, engulfing the sky in ant inferno that evolved into a wall of fire.

With fire raging in every direction, the scorching temperature had even distorted the space around them. Vinicus' fire dragons were instantaneously swallowed by the inferno.

The trees and plants in the area withered in the heat, while the birds and beasts present were incinerated into ash. Kai possessed pure demonic fire that needed no introduction. Its potency was a hundred times the fire Vinicus had conjured up.

The fiery sight before him caused Vinicus to back away. The fear of being burnt to a crisp prevented him from taking the risk of going. against it head-on.

"W-Who the hell are you? How can you manipulate this kind of fire that looks similar to mine?" Vinicus asked with a confused look on his face.

"What kind of fire is that?" Kai asked. "Demonic fire, the most powerful form of fire among those of the Inferno Devil lineage," Vinicus said proudly.

Pfft! He's a f\*cking disgrace to those of the Inferno Devil lineage. How dare he call that demonic fire? I have no idea how horrible their cultivation is, Faiyar cursed in Kai's mind.

Nevertheless, what happened wasn't really a surprise, for demon spirits had been divided for many years and split into countless small sects.

Some sects were formed even though they had only scratched the surface of demonic fire, resulting in subsequent generations cultivating a version that was vastly different from the original.

In truth, even Faiyar's demonic fire was also not as pure as Kai's, which was the true version of it. "Mine is a demonic fire too, which is the same as yours," Kai said with a smile.

"Bullsh\*t. I have never seen a demonic fire with this kind of aura. You can stop lying to me. Besides, you're not a demon, so how is it possible that you can cultivate demonic fire? You must have stolen the cultivation method for it and modified it accordingly. That's the reason why your demonic fire is similar to mine!"

Vinicus refused to believe that Kai was capable of using demonic fire.

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"Hmph, you're nothing but a fool for failing to recognize the original form of demonic fire. You dare call yourself a descendant of Inferno Devil?" Kai scoffed. He didn't appear to be lying.

Vinicus furrowed his brows and said, "Do you really possess demonic fire too? Are you also someone of the Inferno Devil lineage? However, I don't sense the aura of a demon within you. Did you consume an aura-suppressing pill?"

Vinicus' words stunned Kai, who was clueless as to what an aura-suppressing pill was. When he saw the look on Kai's face, Gregory explained, "The aura-suppressing pill is a special pill made by Solaris Sect. Its purpose is to hide one's aura and prevent it from being detected. As it can be used to extinguish a demon's aura, Demonic Cultivators use it to lead ordinary lives.

That's the reason why the Demonic Cultivators captured me and forced me to make such pills for them. However, my incompetency in making them has limited their effectiveness. That's why they stopped here for me to make more pills. The effects of the pills they consumed are close to wearing off."

Upon listening to Gregory's explanation, Kai finally understood why those Demonic Cultivators could move about freely in public..

“Does Solaris Sect often work with Demonic Cultivators?” Kai wondered aloud. Given that the aura-suppressing pill was like a divine pill to Demonic Cultivators, they would naturally be the largest market for such pills.

Looking embarrassed, Gregory nodded. “It’s true that the aura-suppressing pills are often sold to Demonic Cultivators, but we still screen our customers. We don’t just work with any random Demonic Cultivators, especially those who harm others like these guys. That’s the reason why they have resorted to capturing me.”

Kai subsequently learned that Solaris Sect wasn’t like the other sects who were looking to exterminate demons indiscriminately. There were, after all, good demons such as Ira, who had revealed herself to save others and even given him a demon bead.

“Since you don’t know what an aura-suppressing pill is, you’re clearly not a demon. In that case, who are you? Why do you possess Inferno Devil’s demonic fire?” Vinicus asked after listening to Gregory and Kai’s conversation.

“Who I am isn’t important. What matters is that I have sentenced you to death!” Kai declared flatly. “Hmph, such insolence!” Vinicus snorted in response, then flames began to rise from both his palms and his body began to swell.

“Thunder Palm...”

With a slight curl of his lips, Kai raised his palms toward the sky. A rumbling sound could be heard and the sky gradually darkened. Filled with shock, Vinicus raised his head to look up, only to be greeted by a giant palm appearing right above his head.

As the palm pressed down on him, the overwhelming pressure extinguished the raging flames on his body.

A look of horror flashed across his face as if he was staring death in his eyes. He couldn’t believe that a cultivator at Sixth Level Body Fusion Realm like him would be crushed by a cultivator at Second Level Body Fusion Realm like Kai.

Realizing that he was in trouble, Vinicus attempted to turn around and flee. Unfortunately, an earth-shattering lightning bolt fired out from the giant palm before he could do so, It struck Vinicus with all its power, causing him to collapse onto the ground.

Boom! Boom! Boom!

Thereafter, a torrent of lightning continued to strike Vinicus relentlessly. Gregory was blown away by the scene before him. He couldn't imagine how Kai, a cultivator at Second Level Body Fusion Realm, was capable of smacking a cultivator at Sixth Level Body Fusion Realm to the ground with such ease.

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“Stop, or Lord Inferno Devil will never let you off!” Vinicus roared. “Pfft, who do you think you are to him? You're nothing but a member of a branch of his lineage. Do you really think you're actually his subordinate?” Kai scoffed.

The lightning struck Vinicus relentlessly until a bloody pool of mush was all that was left of him. Right then, a black mist flew out of his body. Its appearance caused the sky to darken..

“That's his demonic soul. Don't let him escape!” Gregory shouted to Kai at the sight of the black mist. Upon nodding in acknowledgment, Kai dashed toward the demonic soul who let out a piercing shrill as a terrifying face emerged from it.

The demonic soul stared at Kai with eyes that were the size of bells. It looked like a man- eating demon with saliva drooling down from its razor-sharp teeth..

Seeing Kai bearing down upon it, the demonic soul filled the sky with black mist as it charged forward to meet the attack. Kai raised a ball of demonic fire in his hand before he was swallowed by the black mist.

The harrowing sight before Gregory caused him to watch on anxiously. Soon, a loud cry resonated from within the black mist, heralding its dissipation from the entire sky. Shattered into millions of pieces, every single one of them was consumed by an inferno.

Kai's body gradually appeared while the demonic soul was being incinerated into ash by demonic fire in the background.

Meanwhile, the other Demonic Cultivators who heard the commotion came running over. The sight of their leader's demonic soul being burned to crisp filled all of them with horror. Before Kai could even attack them, they instantly fled and disappeared without a trace.

Kai didn't pursue them and allowed them to escape. As long as they didn't harm any more villagers or get in his way, he saw no reason to deal with them.

"Young man, I can't thank you enough for saving my life. I'll definitely repay you once we're in Jipsdale," Gregory said gratefully.

"It's no big deal. Don't worry about it," Kai replied with a faint smile. Right then, Viola and the others ran over upon realizing that Kai had disappeared.

"Kai, are you hurt?" she asked anxiously when she saw him. Kai shook his head. "No, I'm fine."

"Mr. Chance, was there a fight here just now? I can sense the aura of demons," Yuven said with a frown. Even though his strength had been suppressed, his senses remained just as sharp.

"Yes. I just killed a Demonic Cultivator and saved this man from Solaris Sect," Kai said as he pointed at Gregory. "Solaris Sect?" Ghaylen looked at Gregory in disbelief. "You're a member of Solaris Sect?"

"That's right. I'm an elder of the sect. My name is Gregory Stark. Do you mind telling me where you're from?" Gregory asked Ghaylen. "Oh, we're from Emerald Cauldron Sect. We're on our way to the Alchemist Fair," Ghaylen replied.

"Oh, you're friends from Emerald Cauldron Sect. I didn't expect to see such formidable cultivators among you!" Gregory exclaimed in surprise.

Generally speaking, alchemy-based sects weren't particularly powerful. It was just that alchemists were well respected in Ethereal Realm. Hence, few would dare provoke them even though they weren't strong.

"Mr. Stark, I guess you're heading to Jipsdale for the Alchemist Fair too? I remember that members of Solaris Sect would act as judges during the event every year," Ghaylen said.

"That's right. I am going to be a judge there. However, my seniors went ahead of me. I was held back by some business. That gave the Demonic Cultivators the opportunity to capture me. If this man here hadn't rescued me, I would have probably been forced to serve them already," Gregory said awkwardly.

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“Since you’re alone, Mr. Stark, we should walk together! That way, we’ll be able to look out for each other!” Ghaylen said when he saw that Gregory was all by himself. He figured things would be easier at the Alchemist Fair if he got on the judge’s good side.

“I was going to suggest the very same thing!” Gregory replied with a nod. He actually wanted to understand Kai more and find out how an alchemist could become so powerful.

The group started making their way toward Jipsdale together. “What is your Alchemy Level, young man?” Gregory asked Kai along the way. Kai frowned in confusion when he heard that.

“Alchemy Level?” He had no idea that alchemy had levels because no one had told him about it. “Mr. Chance has yet to take the test with us, so we don’t know his Alchemy Level yet,” Ghaylen said.

Gregory nodded. “Oh, I see. Based on what I’ve seen, your Alchemy Level should be fairly high. I’d say it’s at least Third Level Middle Tier!”

Through chatting with Gregory, Kai was able to figure out that alchemists in Ethereal Realm were categorized into nine Levels, and each Level was further separated into three tiers- Top, Middle, and Low.

The higher an alchemist’s Level, the higher the grade of the pills they could synthesize. However, pill synthesis was not fully dependent on an alchemist’s Level. It also depended on the medicinal herbs, cauldron, and flame used.

It would be possible for an alchemist to synthesize amazing pills simply by having a great cauldron and mystical herbs. Through chatting with Gregory, Kai also learned a lot about the history of the alchemists in Ethereal Realm.

Solaris Sect was a lot more powerful than Emerald Cauldron Sect. After all, there was no way an elder of Solaris Sect would have become a judge. It would seem that the people of this area approved of Solaris Sect’s alchemy skills. The sky grew dark before they knew it, and a huge city came into view in the distance.



“We’ve arrived in Jipsdale. Honestly, seeing it never fails to take my breath away!” Ghaylen exclaimed while looking at the gigantic city ahead. Yuven, too, gasped in awe. “It’s magnificent!”

Looks like the beast race will never surpass the human race when it comes to construction!” Although Imperial Beast City was huge and magnificent as well, it paled in comparison to Jipsdale.

If Yuven’s Imperial Beast City was described as a bungalow, then Jipsdale could be described as a huge mansion.

“Mr. Chance, private combat is prohibited within Jipsdale, so please be careful when handling personal conflicts. You may take the fight to the arena if necessary. There are plenty of arenas everywhere in Jipsdale, so you can have a sanctioned fight pretty much anytime,” Ghaylen reminded.

Kai nodded, and the group made their way into Jipsdale. A statue could be seen in the middle of the compound outside the city gate. It was a statue of an elderly man sniffing at something that resembled a reishi mushroom.

Ghaylen whispered into Kai’s ear, “Mr. Chance, this is a statue of Zavian Gabbard, the originator of alchemy. We call him Lord Alchemy.”

Kai was a little surprised to see such a statue in the middle of a compound. If Lord Alchemy is the originator of alchemy, then shouldn’t this statue be placed in alchemical sects instead? It doesn’t make sense to place it here in front of Jipsdale! Could it be that the count of Jipsdale is an alchemist as well?

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Noticing the look of confusion on Kai’s face, Gregory explained, “You may not know this, but Jipsdale is only able to achieve such levels of greatness because it hosts the annual Alchemist Fair. The count of Jipsdale is also a remarkable alchemist. That is why Jipsdale placed this statue of Lord Alchemy here to attract and bring in more alchemists.”

Kai understood that Jipsdale did it to boost its popularity and economy after listening to that. “Looks like the count of Jipsdale is great at doing business!” he commented with a smile.

“Of course! The annual Alchemist Fair brings in countless rare and precious gems. Due to the huge amount of resources gathered here in Jipsdale, the

guards watching the city gate are all Body Fusion Realm cultivators. Jipsdale would not have become this grand city without the huge amount of resources,” Gregory said.

Kai got a little excited at that. “Let’s hope this trip is worth it!” I might just be able to collect a ton of rare herbs and treat Yuven!

“Thanks for your help, young man. Here, this is my token. If you have some time, feel free to drop by the Alchemist Fair and pay me a visit,” Gregory said while handing Kai an exquisite- looking token.

With that token, Kai would be able to enter and exit the venue for the Alchemist Fair freely. Otherwise, he would have to wait until the day of the event and queue up like everyone else. In other words, that token was the equivalent of a VIP pass.

After giving Kai the token, Gregory went off to see his friends while Ghaylen led Kai deeper into Jipsdale. Jipsdale was so huge that it had an inner city and an outer city.

Those who came to Jipsdale could roam the outer city freely, but they would have to undergo a strict background check and questioning procedure before being allowed into the inner city. As the Alchemist Fair would be held within the inner city, Kai and the others started making their way there.

“The three of us will wait for you in the outer city, Mr. Chance. Given our capabilities, we’d probably be bored to death in the inner city,” said Crixus.

As those in the inner city were powerful, high- status individuals, the Three Bandits would feel incredibly stressful in there. In the outer city, however, one would encounter

people from all walks of life. There were also casinos and arenas all over the place, which was filled with people from the lower class. It was a place where the Three Bandits would be able to enjoy themselves to the fullest without having to worry about anything.

“Sure, but you three mustn’t steal anything. I will punish you guys severely if I find out you’ve been stealing!” Kai ordered.

“We would never dare steal from Jipsdale! That’d be no different from signing our death warrants!” the Three Bandits replied.

“Don’t worry, Kai. No one would dare cause trouble here in Jipsdale,” Ghaylen said. Kai stretched his hand out at Viola and said, “Give me some spirit coins.”

Viola immediately handed him a few spirit coins without even asking why. Kai tossed the spirit coins at the Three Bandits and said, “You guys just have fun out there while waiting for us.”

The Three Bandits thanked him profusely when they received the spirit coins. Not only would they not have to steal and rob, but they also had spirit coins to spend.

Yuven waited until the Three Bandits had left before saying with a smile, “You sure know how to live off a woman, Mr. Chance!”

Ghaylen burst out laughing on the spot, whereas Viola’s face burned bright red instantly. “And I enjoy doing it!” Kai replied nonchalantly.

“Hahaha!” Everyone laughed happily as they made their way toward the inner city.