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Chapter 536 Are You Threatening Me

Out of nowhere, a cold voice echoed in the air. "Who dares to trespass on the Crescent Sect's base?"

Following the voice, three elderly men stepped out of the shadows. Their unique auras distinguished them from each other.

"Liam!" Elijah called out.

"Elijah?" Liam gasped in shock. "Aren't you supposed to be dead?" Earlier, Fabian claimed that he had died. Moreover, I also saw the dead parasite with my own eyes. How is he here?

"Liam, I didn't die. Let me explain-" Elijah broke off as he rushed toward Liam.

Afraid that Elijah was planning to fool him, Jared followed closely behind him. He came to a halt only a few inches away from Elijah. If he tries anything funny, I'll kill him with a single blow.

When Jared tagged along with Elijah, the three elders instantly caught sight of the former.

"Jared Chance!" Immediately, the elders settled into a fighting stance.

"Liam, Lucas, Jasper, don't attack him! Let me explain." In haste, Elijah moved to block the trio's path.

"Liam, I didn't die. Mr. Chance extracted the parasite from my body. It died the moment it came into contact with the sun. Hence, the parasite in Fabian's clay vessel perished too," he explained.

Despite his explanation, Liam remained unconvinced. "How is that possible? The parasite has been feeding on us for years. It has fused with us into a single entity. How did he manage to force it out?"

"Liam, can't you see that I'm right here? It's all true. We don't have to live under Fabian's control anymore. Besides, Mr. Simmons' daughter is here with me too." As Elijah spoke, he pointed at Megan.

Following Elijah's gesture, the three elders glanced at Megan. Immediately, a troubled look crossed their faces as they were at a loss.

"Liam, we helped Fabian commit atrocities because he threatened our lives. Did you forget how Mr. Simmons treated us like his sworn brothers? Now that we have a chance to be rid of the parasite's control, why should we continue to serve Fabian?" Elijah continued, seeing that they remained silent.

Deep down, Elijah also knew that they were no match for Jared as the latter was in a league of his own.

Liam was conflicted. In order to survive, they'd spent years serving under Fabian's rule. Although Elijah was offering their freedom on a silver platter, he was hesitant to take the offer. If things went wrong, Fabian would hunt them down to the corners of the earth, and their vicious cycle of slavery would begin once again.

"I'll take your offer!" While Liam was still occupied with his thoughts, Jasper stepped forward. "Jared, if you can remove the parasite from my body and free me from Fabian's control, I will set aside our rivalry. However, if this turns out to be a lie, don't blame us for doing things the hard way."

Jared's tone was icy. "Are you threatening me?"

"I suppose you could see it that way."

"What choice do you have but to listen to me? I can't believe you think you're worthy enough to threaten me." Casually, Jared waved his hand.

Suddenly, Jasper lost all control of his body as his legs propelled him toward Jared. Without warning, Jared seized Jasper's throat in an iron grip.

This sudden turn of events left everyone shell-shocked. Amongst all of them, Jasper was the one most affected. After all, he didn't even have the time to react before he found himself trapped in Jared's clutches.

"Mr. Chance, please calm down!" Elijah cried out as he tried to stop Jared.

"Jared, what do you think you are doing? Let Jasper go!" Liam and Lucas roared in unison as they unsheathed their weapons.

Earlier, they couldn't even react to Jared's astonishing speed. This sudden attack demonstrated the vast difference between their prowess and Jared's.

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Chapter 537 Vigilance

"Going forward, I hope no one will threaten me again because I simply hate it."

The moment Jared released his grip, Jasper dropped onto his butt with a thud.

Turning pale after having a brush with death, Jasper couldn't even get back on his feet.

Elijah hurried to help Jasper up. "All of you should just listen to me! I'm not lying."

When Liam saw that Jared had let Jasper go, he sheathed his weapon. Having been convinced, he replied, "Fine, we're willing to listen to Mr. Chance. I hope you will be able to force the parasite out of our bodies."

"Stretch out your hand," Jared instructed calmly.

When Liam was stunned, Elijah quickly explained, "Liam, Mr. Chance wants to help you expel the parasites!"

After he understood what Jared was going to do, Liam extended his hand at once. With a tap of his finger, Jared sent a red ray of light into Liam's body. The next moment, Liam struggled in excruciating pain. Finally, he opened his mouth wide before a blood-red worm burst out from it.

The moment it landed on the ground, it slithered into the shadows to avoid the sunlight.

When Jared saw that the parasite was still alive, he stomped his foot on it to squash it to death.

Meanwhile, the elders were dumbfounded by what they saw. They had not expected Jared to be able to force out the parasite.

Thump! Thump!

Lucas and Jasper dropped to their knees in front of Jared. "Mr. Chance, we beg you to remove the parasites from our bodies too!"

After living on the edge for so many years, they had had enough of it. After all, no one was willing to have their lives held in the hands of others, where a simple change in mood would result in their deaths.

"Give me your hands," Jared plainly instructed.

After Lucas and Jared stretched out their hands, Jared used the same method to expel the parasites from their bodies.

At that moment, the four elders were ecstatic and thanked Jared profusely.

Meanwhile, in the grand hall of Crescent Sect, Fabian was feeling distinctly ill at ease. A bad feeling rose in him as if something terrible had occurred.

"Men!" Fabian shouted.

One of his subordinates approached at once. "Yes, Mr. Quillen!"

"Has Liam brought his men to investigate the matter?" Fabian asked.

"He took Lucas and Jasper with him," his subordinate replied.

"Mmm-hmm." Fabian waved his man away.

Right after the subordinate left, Fabian noticed a violent disturbance within the clay vessel, which had never happened before.

Startled by the development, he quickly opened it and saw that three of the biggest parasites inside were dead.

"H-How is that possible?" At first, he was shocked, but that quickly turned into rage.

"Who? Who dared kill the four elders?" he bellowed into the air. His scream was so loud that it reverberated throughout the entire valley.

In fact, Jared, who was approaching the Crescent Sect base, could even hear it.

Pausing briefly, Liam then explained to Jared, "Mr. Chance, after crossing this icy lake, you will find the place where Fabian is located. However, you have to be careful, as the lake contains many of the venomous or poisonous creatures he keeps. If you are bitten by them, you will die instantly from their venom. Also, these creatures do not attack those with parasites inside their bodies. Now that we had ours removed, we won't be able to get across anymore."

"In that case, do you usually traverse it in a boat?" Jared asked curiously.

"That's right. We usually cross it in small boats. Nonetheless, I heard that there are stone columns within the lake that one can step on to cross. Unfortunately, no one other than Fabian knows where they are," Liam elaborated.

"It appears that he is an extremely vigilant man," Jared commented with a smile.

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Chapter 538 This Will Be Your Grave

When the group arrived at the lake, they could feel the drop in temperature. Geographically, the lake separated the valley into two. Anyone who wanted to get to the other side had no choice but to cross the lake.

As a cold mist emerged from the lake, the entire surface was covered by fog. With visibility being very low, one could only see a few small boats floating by the shore.

"Mr. Chance, look."

Just as Liam spoke, he threw a rock into the middle of the lake.

Alongside the splashes that resulted, a few dark figures emerged from the water before quickly disappearing underneath the surface.

"Those are the poisonous creatures Fabian keeps. He obtained them from Mapleton. Also, I heard that he is somehow involved with the people there," Liam continued.

"Regardless of who he is involved with, today is the day he dies!" Jared's face was filled with conviction. "All of you, wait for me here. I'll go over alone."

With that, Jared leapt into the air and landed on one of the small boats. Suddenly, he noticed a group of people on the opposite shore. All of them had boarded their boats and began moving in Jared's direction.

The moment he saw the person on the first boat, Liam exclaimed, "Fabian, it's Fabian!"

After being under his control for so many years, Liam was inherently terrified of Fabian.

At that moment, Fabian too had noticed the presence of Jared and the four elders. He furrowed his brows in response.

"Aren't the four of you supposed to be dead? What's going on?" Fabian questioned indifferently as an icy glint flashed in his eyes.

As the four elders exchanged fearful glances, none of them dared to utter a word.

When he saw what was going on, Jared looked at Fabian. "Are you Fabian Quillen, the leader of the Crescent Sect?"

"That's me. Who's asking?" Fabian scrutinized Jared with a solemn expression.

"I'm Jared Chance!"

The moment Jared announced his name, Fabian's body jerked. It was then followed by a sudden burst of boundless hostility rushing through him.

"So, you're the one who killed my men!" After giving Jared a scowl, he shot the four elders an inquisitive look. "What's going on with the four of you? The Crescent Sect's enemy is standing right in front of you. Why are you just standing there instead of taking him down?"

Nevertheless, none of the elders dared to move a muscle, for they had seen for themselves how powerful Jared was. In fact, the four of them combined were still no match for him at all.

When Fabian realized that the elders weren't carrying out his orders, he narrowed his gaze in response. "I didn't expect my parasites to be eliminated. No wonder the four of them are disobeying me. In spite of that, this valley will still be your grave."

"This valley will still be your grave..."

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Fabian's resonant voice echoed throughout the entire valley.

Suddenly, the water in the lake began to gurgle, as if the water had begun to boil. The phenomenon struck so much fear into Tristan and the four elders that they retreated by reflex.

With a sparkle in his eye, Jared stared at Fabian. "It's still too early to determine whose grave this place will be!"

The moment he finished, Jared leapt into the air and landed on a small boat. With a gentle wave of his palm, the boat sped in Fabian's direction.

"Mr. Chance, be careful! You cannot fight on the lake with him," Liam warned Jared at once.

"You traitors! I'll tear all of you up, limb from limb."

In a fit of rage, Fabian pushed his palms forward suddenly. The massive force formed a whirlpool in the water that turned into a giant wave sweeping in Jared's direction. At the same time, the poisonous creatures living in the lake were hurled into the air in the direction of Tristan and the four elders.

"Retreat!" Liam thundered the moment he sensed the impending danger.

The next second, all of them backed off as swiftly as they could.

In response to the attack, Jared leaped into the air and backpedaled at once. While he was doing so, he thrust his palms forward to push the wave back with an equally tremendous force.

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Chapter 539 Extremely Annoying

The moment the lake recovered its calm, a wave suddenly curled up. Like an arrow, it flew in Fabian's direction, seeming to split the lake in half.

When he saw the attack, Fabian jumped into the air. The boat beneath his legs was instantaneously shattered into pieces.

Even though he had evaded the attack, the same couldn't be said of the subordinates behind him. After they were thrown overboard by the large wave, their limbs were severed from their bodies, as if they had gone through a grinder.

The moment the poisonous creatures smelled blood, they swarmed the bodies that fell into the lake and devoured them.

As for the remaining members of the Crescent Sect, they fled to the shore after witnessing the gruesome sight.

"You truly are something. No wonder the four elders have betrayed me," Fabian sneered in mid-air as his body gradually landed on the surface of the water, where he stood still.

If Liam hadn't informed Jared of the stone columns in the water, Jared would've assumed that Fabian was so powerful that he could actually walk on water.

As Jared's body descended at the same time, he landed on a piece of floating wood. Even though he was capable of standing on water, it would consume a significant amount of spiritual energy just to sustain himself. Now that the lake was littered with pieces of broken wood, Jared could save a lot of energy by using them as support.

Giving Fabian a look of disdain, Jared declared, "I'm surprised you're unashamed of accusing others of betrayal after doing the same. You're nothing but a joke."

Fabian was briefly shaken before he broke into a wide smirk. "I didn't expect you to have met Dante. Nonetheless, you shouldn't believe everything he says. After all, he is an equally crafty man. Do you really think that he founded the Crescent Sect for a noble purpose? He's just relying on his ability to read someone's face to go around cheating others! Considering how young and powerful you are, why don't you join me? I can definitely elevate your strength to the next level. It's certainly more attractive than helping Dante. After all, he is just using you."

"Are you saying that you won't hold me accountable for killing the Crescent Sect's men?" Jared asked mischievously.

"Haha, the men you killed are nothing but pawns within the organization, no different from the parasites I raise. Since you have killed them, so be it. Given that you were able to expel my parasites, it means that you possess a good understanding of them. As long as you collaborate with me, I can recommend you to the Poison King of Mapleton so that he can teach you techniques that use poison. How about that?"

Fabian burst into laughter as he continued to offer Jared an olive branch.

The power that Jared had demonstrated was enough to entice Fabian into recruiting him.

"Do you know the people of Mapleton?" Jared asked curiously.

"More than that, for the Poison King is my godfather. The reason I disfigured myself and joined Crescent Sect was just to secure its resources. Soon, the Crescent Sect will be controlled by Mapleton!" Fabian gloated.

"Looks like if I kill you, there will be bad blood between Mapleton and me. This is a f*cking pain." Jared sighed as he furrowed his brows.

Given how busy he was, he had not managed to find time to continue his training despite the impending arrival of the fifteenth of July. Even though he had achieved Foundation Phase, he still wasn't confident enough, especially after Dante told him that he would be faced with a calamity on that fateful day. Consequently, Jared wanted to strengthen himself to face whatever that was coming.

"What did you say?" Fabian's expression turned grim. "You actually think you can kill me? This is nothing but a joke."

Just as he spoke, Fabian tapped his foot on the water and leaped into the air again. Throwing his palms out, he caused the lake to boil and unleashed another giant wave in Jared's direction.

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Chapter 540 Is This All You Got

The speed and power of the wave were as powerful as the one Jared had unleashed. Just like a speeding truck on a highway, the giant wave charged rapidly in Jared's direction.

Shaking his head slightly, Jared clenched his fist as a sword formed from water appeared in his hand.

"Break it apart!"

With a wave of his sword, Jared split the giant wave in half, causing it to pass him by on both sides.

Boom!

As the residual halves of the wave crashed onto the shore, they shattered the huge boulders there into pieces. Evidently, the power of the giant wave was extremely devastating.

When Tristan and the others saw what unfolded, they grew nervous and broke out in a cold sweat on Jared's behalf.

If Jared were to be defeated, none of them would be able to escape alive.

"Not bad. Let's continue!" Fabian bellowed as he fell back down and launched a forceful punch onto the water surface.

The massive impact unleashed shockwaves across the water while the droplets that were thrown into the air were so numerous that they covered the sky. Subsequently, they shot at Jared as if they were bullets.

Now that he was being attacked from above and below him, Jared cracked a smile as he leaped into the air. Raising his arms as if he was spreading his wings, the water below him was pulled upward to form a defensive barrier in front of him.

As the shockwaves beneath his feet missed him, the bullet-like water droplets hit the water barrier before falling back into the lake.

The moment the shockwaves hit the shore, the entire valley shook with a gentle rumble.

"It appears that you're more powerful than I thought!"

Jared narrowed his gaze, as he could feel elements of spiritual energy within Fabian's attacks. Even though mages generate spiritual energy when they wielded their attacks, it would only be at minuscule levels. Furthermore, mages seldom cultivate internal energy as it was very difficult for them. Therefore, once their magecraft was broken, they would become utterly defenseless.

However, Fabian not only knew magecraft, but his body also emitted an aura so powerful that it was close to that of a spiritual energy cultivator. In fact, it was even stronger than that of Bruce from Mount Hickoria.

"You will never be able to imagine the depths of my power," Fabian sneered as he gently landed on the water and gave Jared a confident look.

As for Jared, he too supported himself on a floating piece of plank.

"Is that so? Show me the true extent of your power then!"

Suddenly, Jared grabbed something from the water and threw it in Fabian's direction.

The moment he swung his hands, a water column emerged from the lake. It looked as if Jared was holding a steel whip which he cracked in Fabian's direction.

The water column, which was tens of meters long, glistened with an icy sparkle. Responding to the attack, Fabian slapped his palms on the water to generate a giant wave, forming a protective barrier in front of him.

Bam!

When Jared's giant water column struck Fabian's barrier, a thunderous sound rang out.

Subsequently, Fabian retreated in shock when the water barrier began to crack. Upon impact on the surface of the water, the long water column caused a giant splash that was more than ten meters tall.

Even though Fabian had managed to avoid the strike, the martial energy embedded in it managed to sting him on his chest and even blow holes in his clothes.

"Is that all you got?" Jared smirked in response.

Fabian's face darkened. "I have yet to show you my true power. Have you forgotten that I'm the godson of the Poison King of Mapleton?"