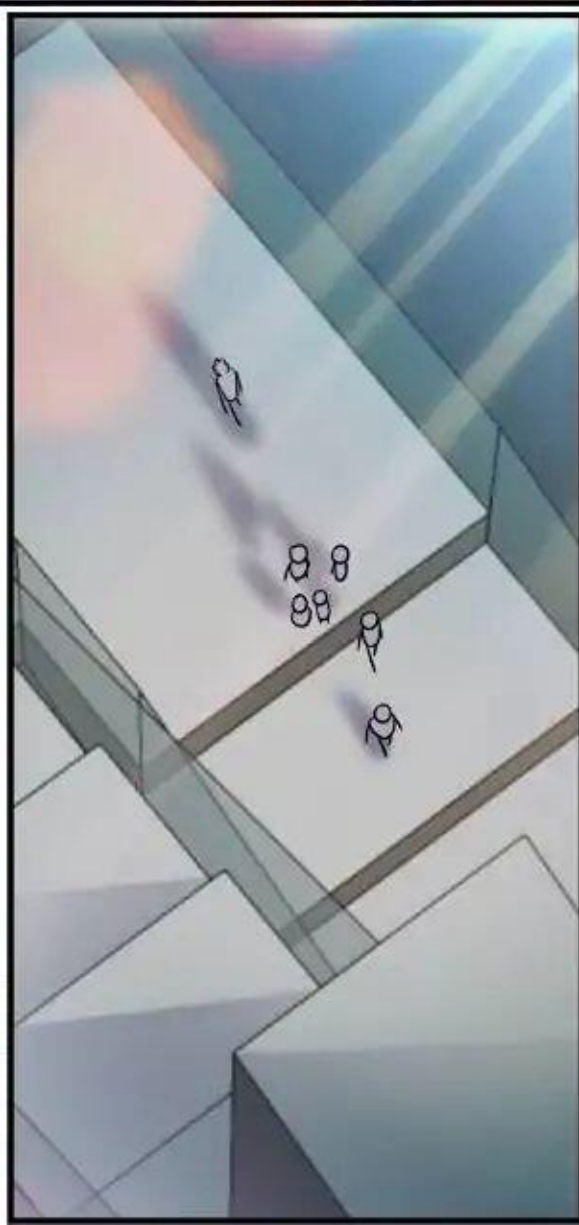


AZURE BATTLEFIELDS






A large, empty arena with a complex metal framework and tiered seating under a bright sun. The sun is a large, bright yellow sphere with rays, positioned in the upper right quadrant of the frame. The arena's structure is made of dark metal beams and cross-braces, forming a grid-like pattern. The seating area is visible at the bottom, consisting of many rows of stone or concrete steps. The sky is a deep blue with some white clouds. The overall scene is brightly lit, with the sun's glow creating a strong contrast with the dark structure of the arena.


SO THIS IS...

**THE
"BEAST
BATTLE
CAGE"?!**



ARE YOU THE
SUMMONING
ELEMENT
STUDENTS?

YES!



THIS WAY,
PLEASE. HEAD
TO THE BACK AND
GET YOURSELVES
READY.



HURRY, HURRY!
LET'S TAKE THIS
SPOT.

THE VIEW
HERE IS REALLY
GOOD~



MY
GOODNESS...
JUST HOW MANY
PEOPLE ARE
THERE?

THIS IS MAKING
ME ANXIOUS...

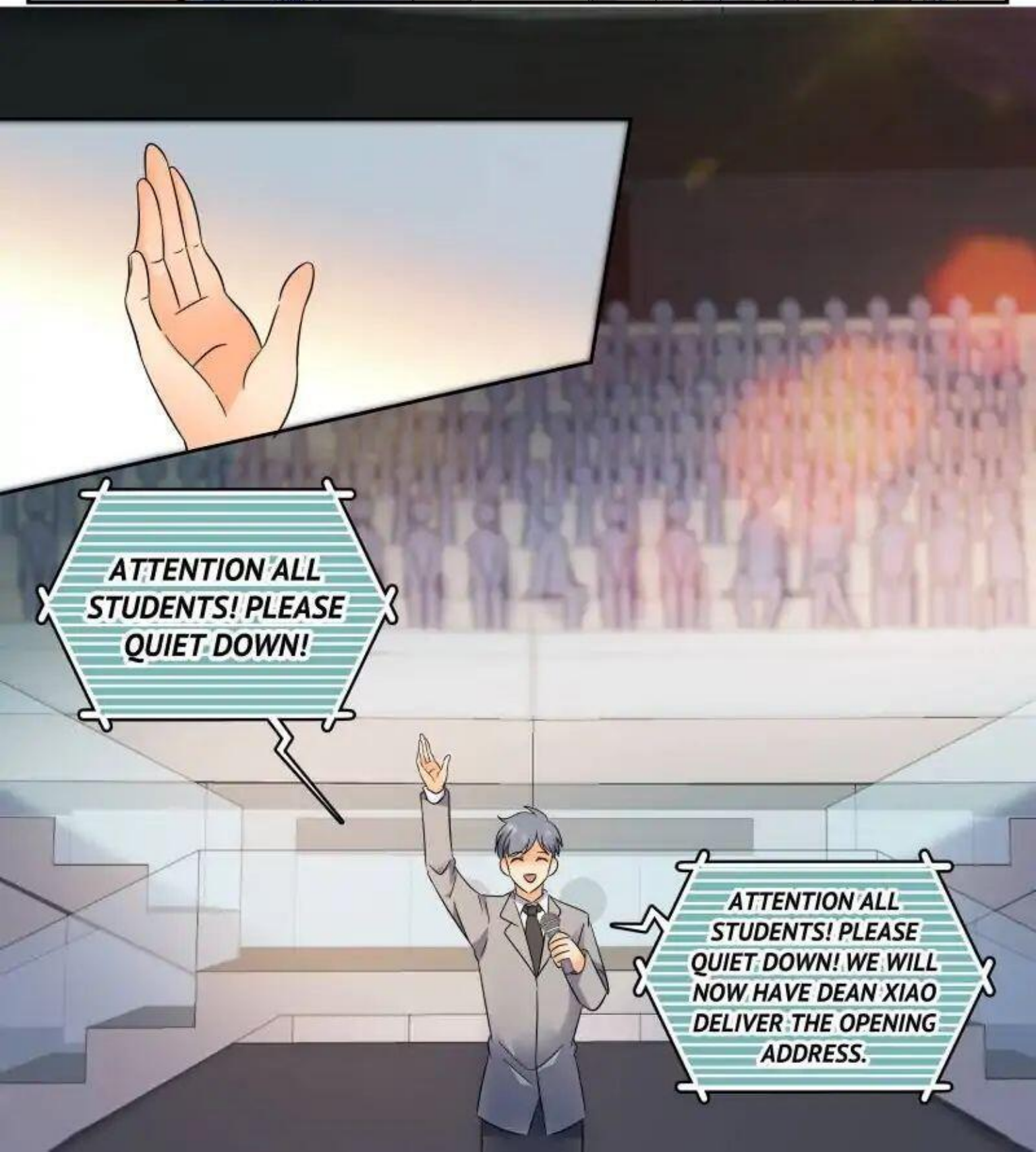



IT'S REALLY
NOT THAT BIG OF
A DEAL. I FOR ONE
LOVE THIS KIND OF
ENVIRONMENT!

ON THE WAY HERE
TODAY, I OVERHEARD A
TON OF PEOPLE TALKING
ABOUT US. THERE WERE
EVEN SOME FOLKS SAYING
THAT THEY WERE GOING
TO BLITZ US.

I LAUGHED
SO HARD!

MY WHITE ARMOR
BATTLE SCORPION WILL
LET THEM KNOW WHAT
TRUE POWER IS!

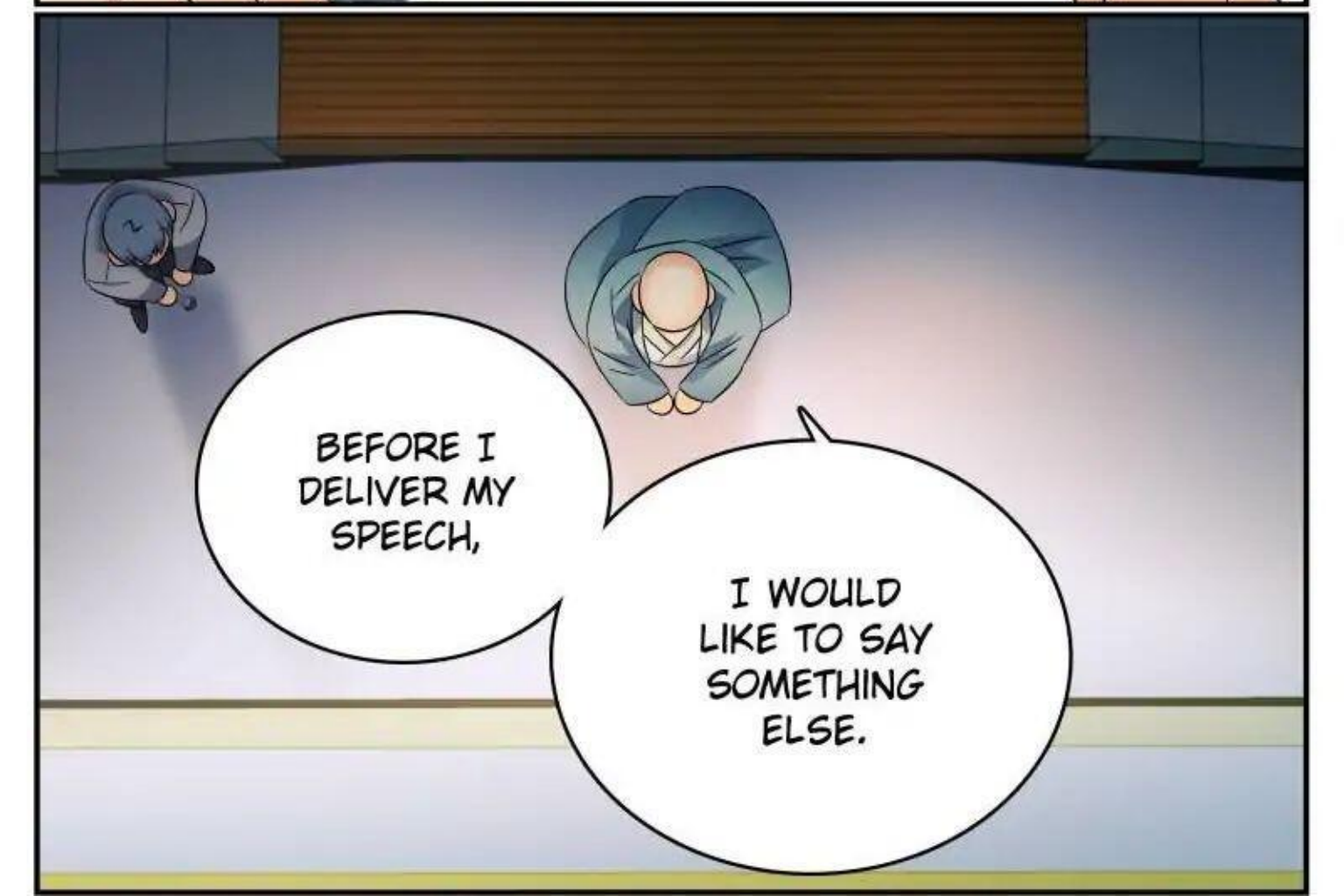




IF YOU'D PLEASE,
DEAN XIAO.

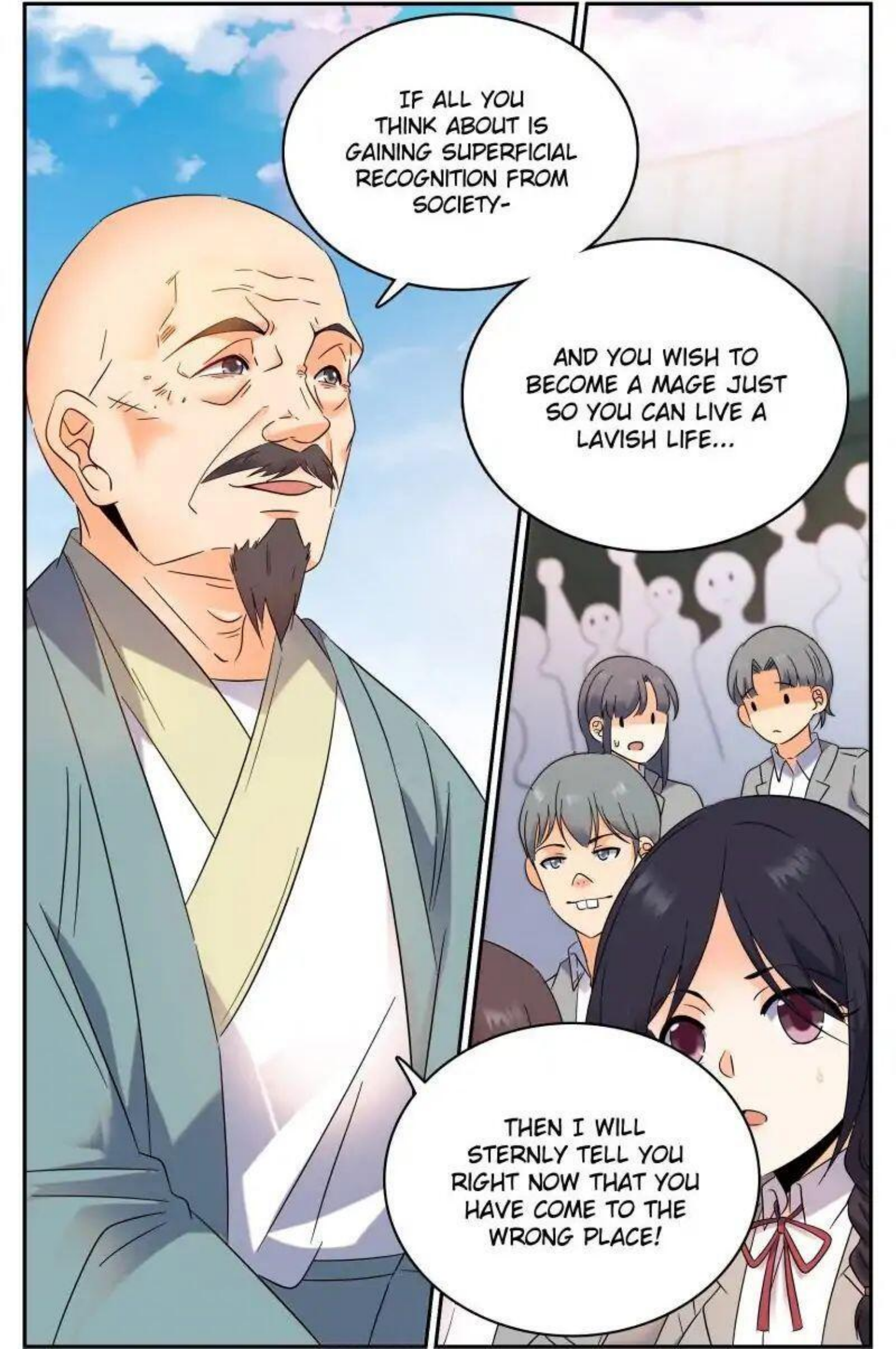


I WON'T
BE NEEDING
THAT.



BEFORE I
DELIVER MY
SPEECH,


I WOULD
LIKE TO SAY
SOMETHING
ELSE.



IF ALL YOU
THINK ABOUT IS
GAINING SUPERFICIAL
RECOGNITION FROM
SOCIETY-

AND YOU WISH TO
BECOME A MAGE JUST
SO YOU CAN LIVE A
LAVISH LIFE...

THEN I WILL
STERNLY TELL YOU
RIGHT NOW THAT YOU
HAVE COME TO THE
WRONG PLACE!



MAGES
PRODUCED BY
MINGZHU UNIVERSITY
MUST ALL HAVE THE
ABILITY TO CHANGE
THE WORLD.

THEY MUST ALL
STEP UP AND BECOME
HEROES AND SAVIORS
OF HUMANITY!

IF THERE ARE
ANY AMONG YOU
WHO ONLY DESIRE
WEALTH OR
STATUS...

THEN WE CAN SIMPLY
GIVE YOU A MINGZHU
UNIVERSITY GRADUATION
CERTIFICATE BEFORE
SENDING YOU ON YOUR
WAY, AND YOU'LL BE
FREE TO LIVE THE HIGH
LIFE YOU DESIRE!



MINGZHU
UNIVERSITY HAS
NO SHORTAGE OF
WEALTH OR
PRESTIGE.

WHAT WE TRULY
REQUIRE...



ARE
NOBLE HEARTS -
HEARTS SET ON THE
ETERNAL PURSUIT OF
ADVANCING MAGIC!