



SO WHY DO YOU HAVE TO PROTECT THE FIRE CALAMITY FRUIT?




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ARE YOU SAYING I'LL FIND OUT IF I WAIT A COUPLE MORE DAYS?



BUT IT'S ALREADY A FULL-BLOWN FRUIT. IT'S NOT GOING TO GROW INTO A TREE AND BEAR MORE, RIGHT?






NOT  
LONG AFTER IT  
GROWS, THE FIRE  
CALAMITY FRUIT  
DISAPPEARS.

WHY DOES  
SHE FEEL THE  
NEED TO PROTECT  
SOMETHING THAT  
VANISHES SO  
QUICKLY?



?!



HMM? OH!

ARE YOU  
ASKING ME  
HOW MY BODY'S  
FEELING?



MY  
JOINTS STILL  
HURT A BIT,

BUT EVERYTHING  
ELSE IS FINE.















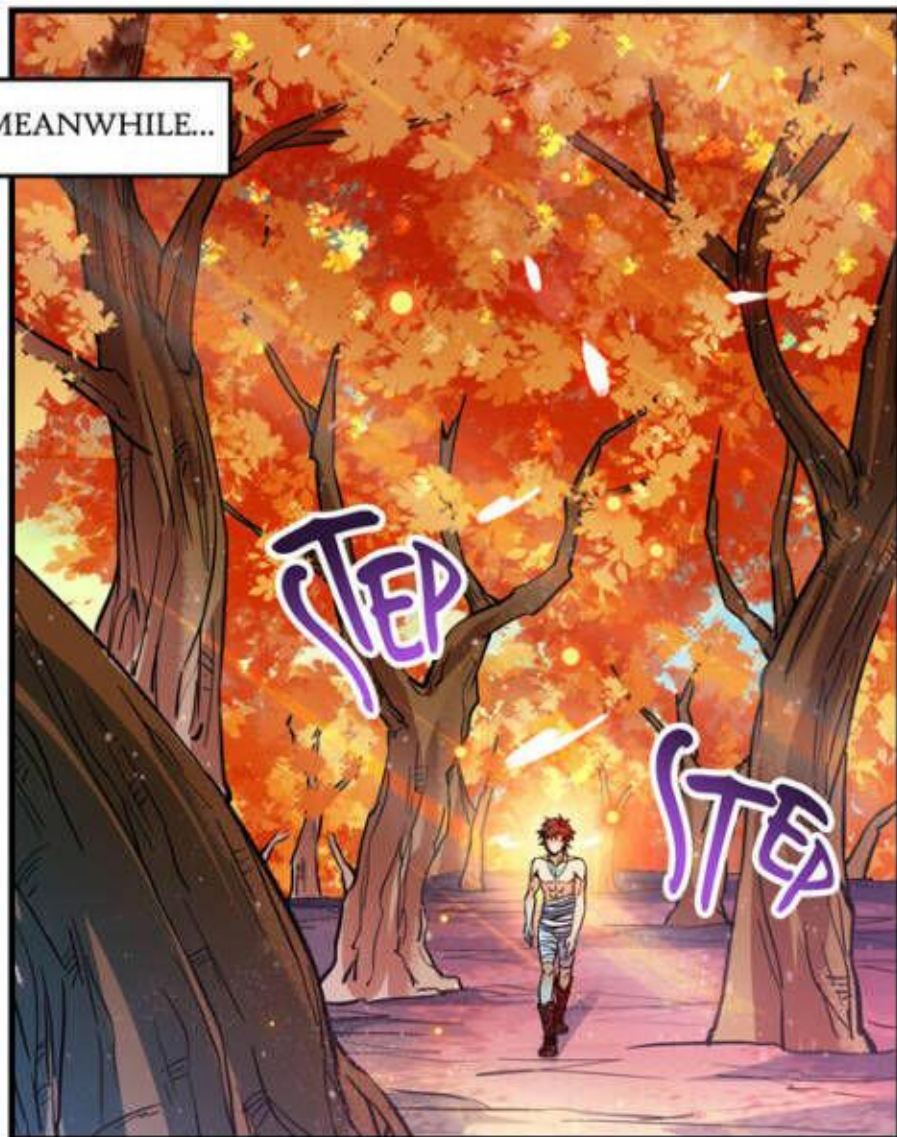








MEANWHILE...



STEP

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THIS FOREST IS LIKE A LABYRINTH! EVERY TREE LOOKS EXACTLY THE SAME!



SHOULD I HEAD BACK TO THE FLAME SORCERESS AND ASK HER TO GET ME OUT OF HERE?



QUICK

?



WHAT'S THIS GROSS, STICKY STUFF?







