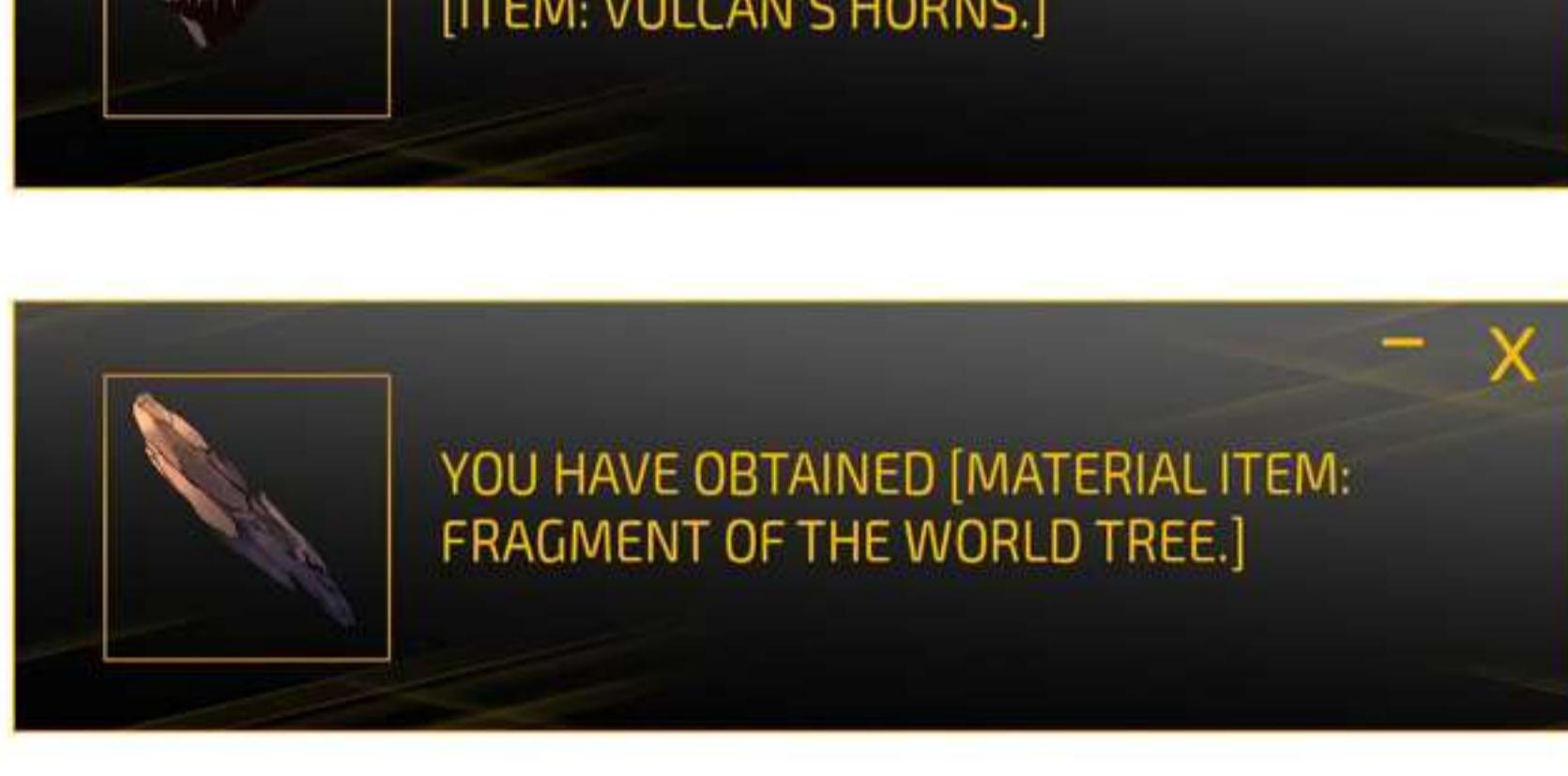
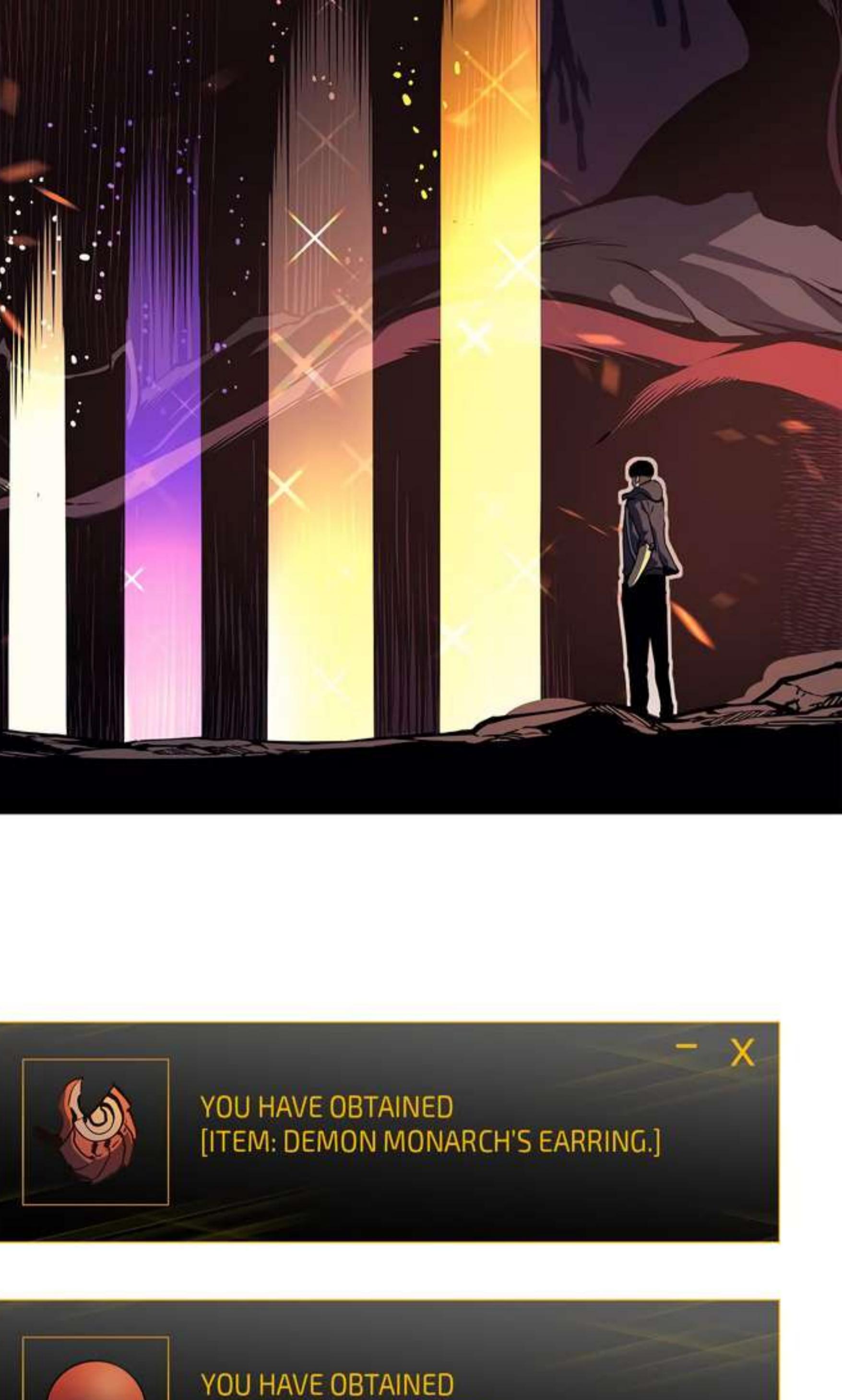
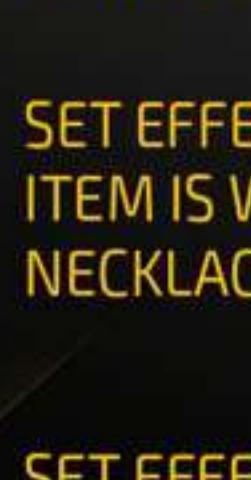


I'VE GOT  
SOME AMAZING  
REWARDS FOR  
TAKING DOWN THIS  
BOSS.



I DON'T NEED THIS RIGHT NOW, BUT I CAN'T JUST THROW IT AWAY... I GUESS IT'LL COME IN HANDY SOMEDAY.

## ITEM



[ITEM: DEMON MONARCH'S EARRING]

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: S

TYPE: ACCESSORY

- X

STRENGTH +20, HEALTH +20

SET EFFECTS WILL BE ACTIVATED WHEN THIS ITEM IS WORN WITH THE DEMON MONARCH'S NECKLACE AND THE DEMON MONARCH'S RING.

SET EFFECT 1. (NOT ACTIVATED)

SET EFFECT 2. (NOT ACTIVATED)

THESE  
HAVE SET  
EFFECTS?

I GUESS THE  
ONLY WAY TO FIND  
OUT IS TO DEFEAT  
THEM ALL.

THERE'S  
ALSO THIS.

ITS  
EFFECTS ARE SUPER  
POWERFUL... IF I HAD  
ANY MAGE-TYPE SKILLS,  
I'D USE THIS TO MY  
ADVANTAGE.

ITEM



- X

[ITEM: ORB OF AVARICE]

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY: A

TYPE: MAGIC ITEM

AN ORB MADE OF PETRIFIED BLOOD FROM THE HIGH-RANKING DEMON, VULCAN. IT AMPLIFIES THE USER'S MAGIC ABILITIES AND INFILCTS GREATER DAMAGE ON AN OPPONENT.

EFFECT "DESIRE TO DESTROY": MAGIC DAMAGE IS INCREASED BY TWOFOLD.



IT INCREASES  
MAGIC DAMAGE  
BY TWOFOLD...

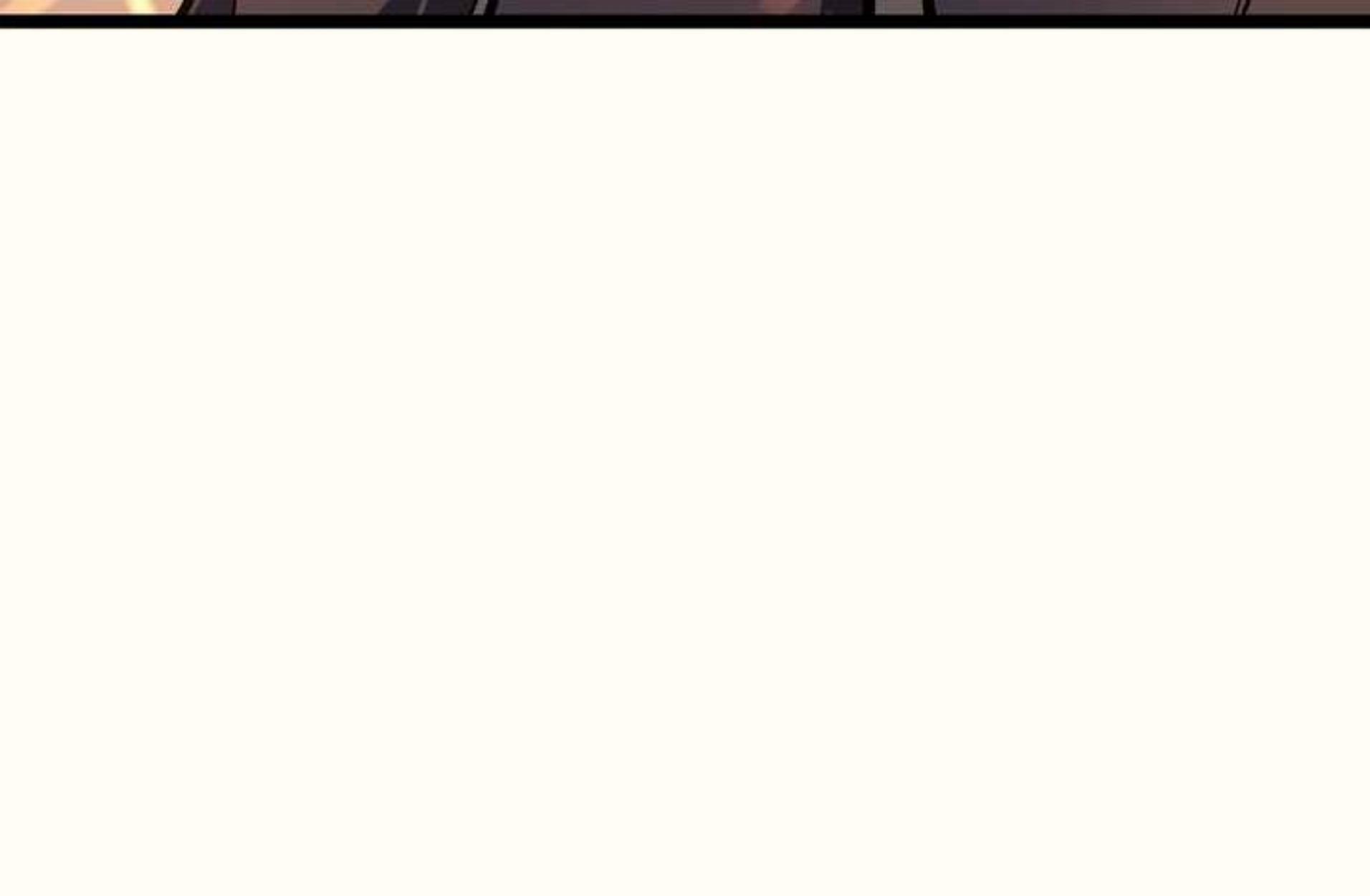
CLATTER

CAN YOU  
PLEASE STOP  
DOING THAT?

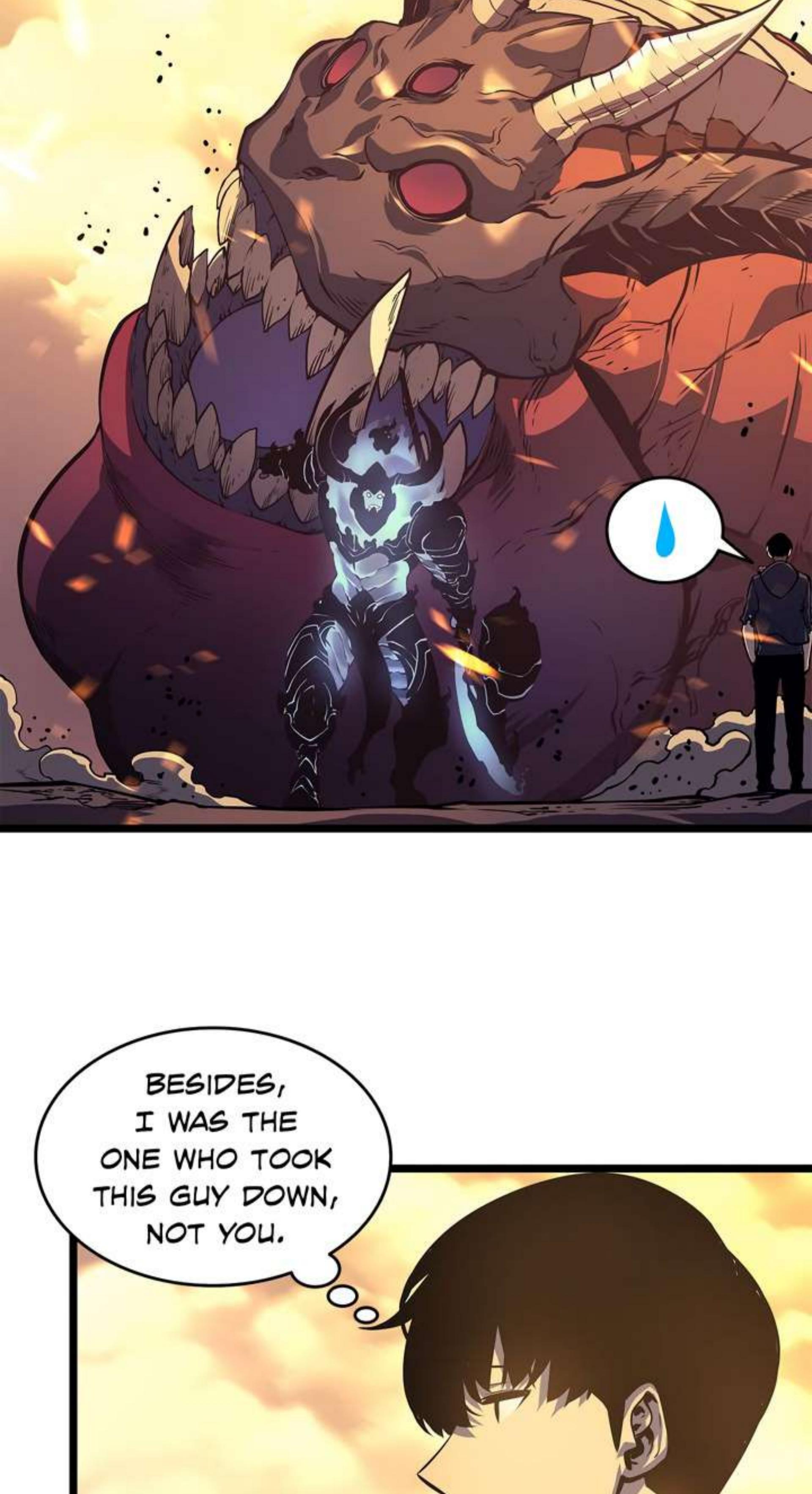
KNEEL

BECAUSE  
OF YOU...

GLANCE



...HE DOES IT,  
TOO.



BESIDES,  
I WAS THE  
ONE WHO TOOK  
THIS GUY DOWN,  
NOT YOU.

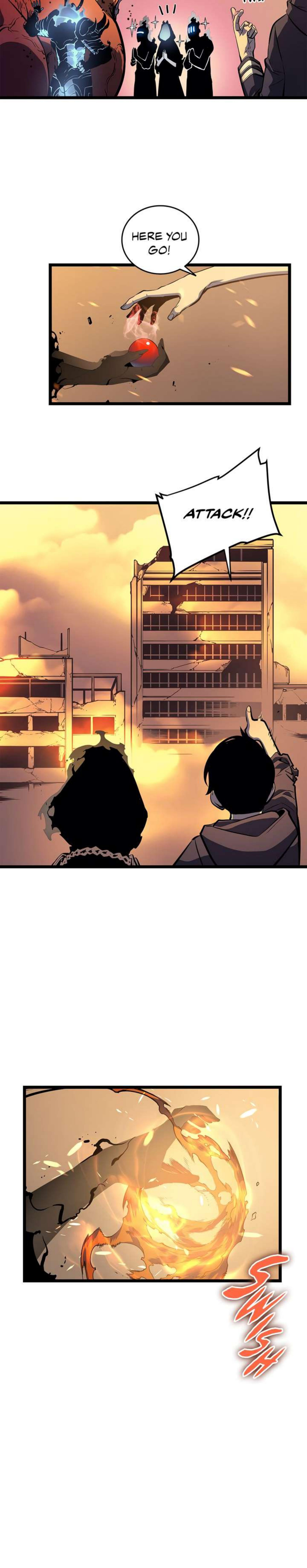
WELL, YOU  
LET ME BORROW  
YOUR SHIELD, SO  
I GUESS YOU  
HELPED.

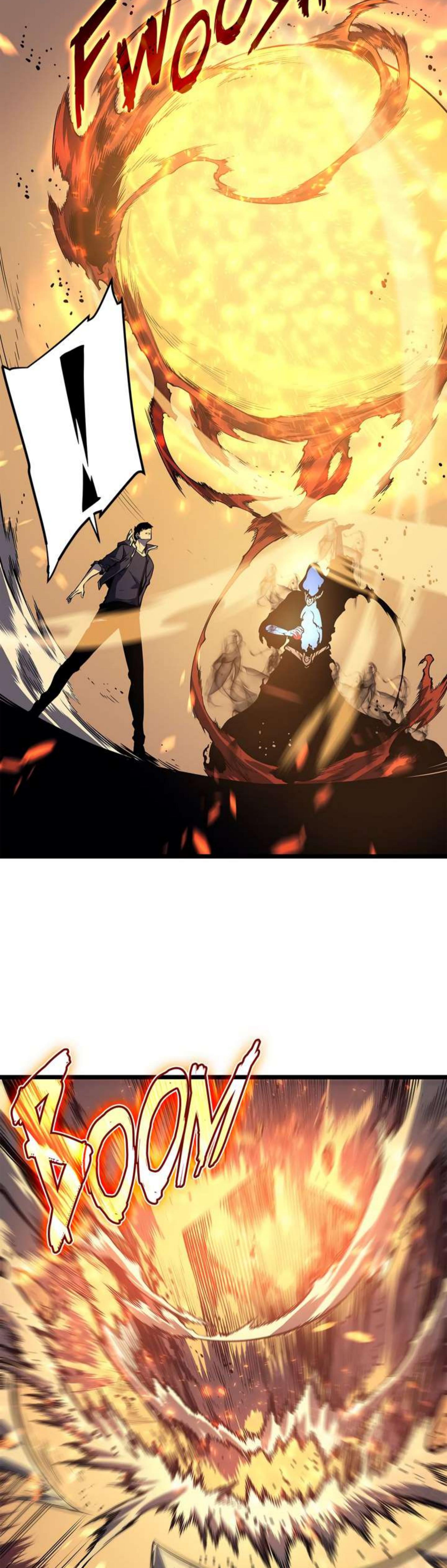
WAIT,  
SHIELD?



FWTP

FWTP





SO IT'S  
POSSIBLE!

ITEM



[ITEM: ORB OF AVARICE]

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TYPE: MAGIC ITEM

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EFFECT "DESIRE TO DESTROY": MAGIC DAMAGE IS INCREASED BY TWO FOLD.

THERE'S NOTHING HERE THAT SAYS I CAN'T LEND THIS TO SOMEONE ELSE!

MAGE HUNTERS WOULD DIE TO GET THEIR HANDS ON THIS ORB.

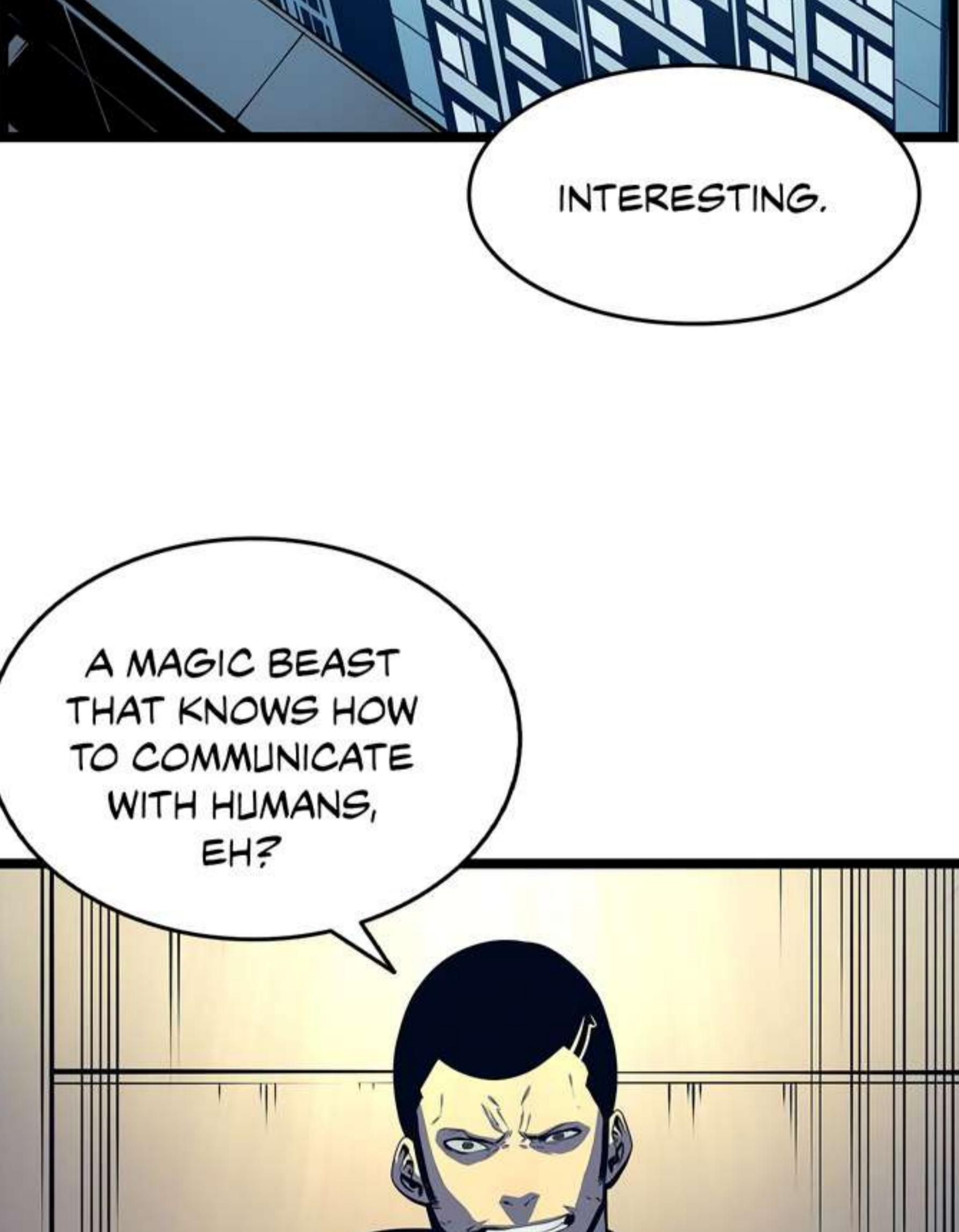


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Original Novel · Chugong

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HA, WHAT A FUNNY SURPRISE TO COME HOME TO.

INTERESTING.



A MAGIC BEAST THAT KNOWS HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH HUMANS, EH?

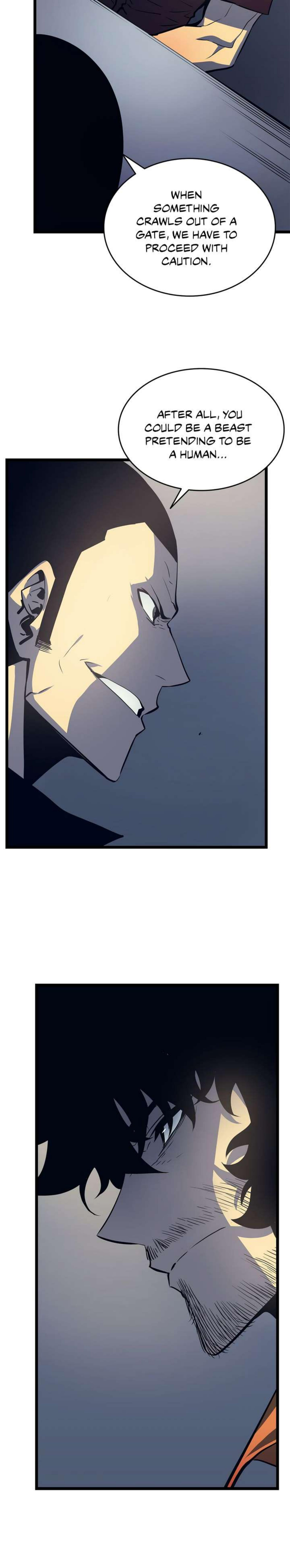
AND YOU SPEAK KOREAN OF ALL LANGUAGES...

LOOK, I TOLD YOU ALREADY. I'M NOT A BEAST.

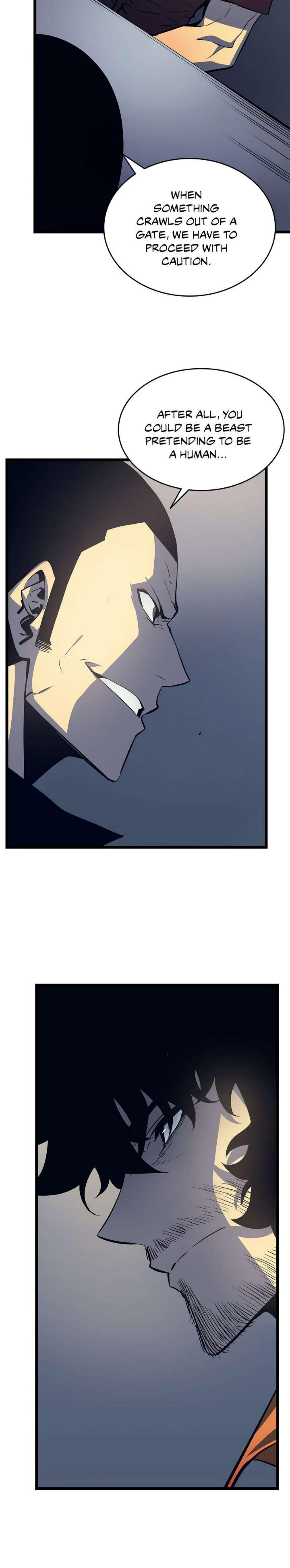
IF YOU HAVE SUSPICIONS ABOUT MY IDENTITY, YOU CAN RUN A DNA TEST AND-

LOOK, I TOLD YOU ALREADY. I'M NOT A BEAST.

IF YOU HAVE SUSPICIONS ABOUT MY IDENTITY, YOU CAN RUN A DNA TEST AND-



WHEN  
SOMETHING  
CRAWLS OUT OF A  
GATE, WE HAVE TO  
PROCEED WITH  
CAUTION.



AFTER ALL, YOU  
COULD BE A BEAST  
PRETENDING TO BE  
A HUMAN...



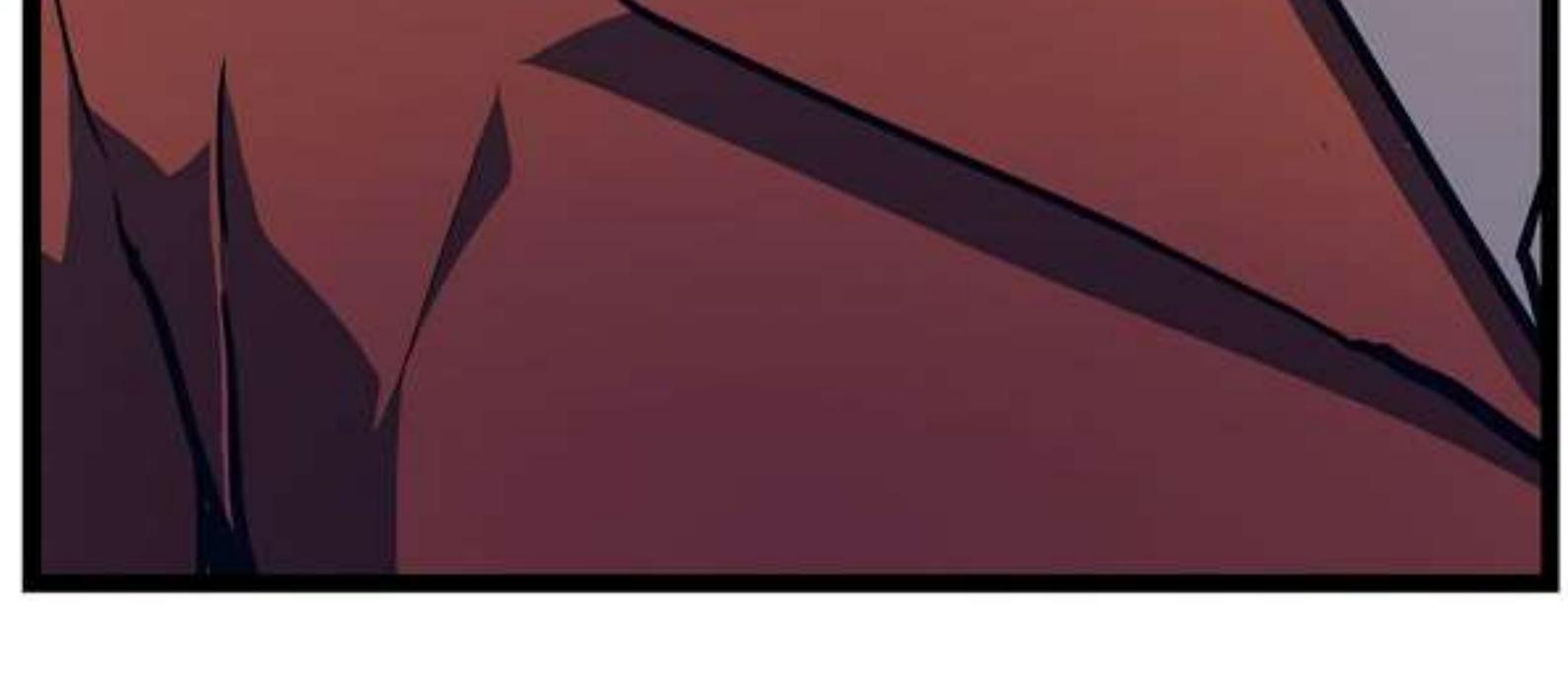


I SUGGEST  
YOU COOPERATE  
WITH ME,



SINCE I'LL  
BE DETERMINING  
WHETHER YOU'RE  
A HUMAN OR A  
BEAST.

...ALL RIGHT.



DID YOU  
DIE INSIDE THE  
DUNGEON?

HOW WERE YOU

HOW WERE YOU  
ABLE TO SURVIVE  
FOR 10 YEARS  
IN THERE?

ARE YOU  
PART OF THE  
UNDEAD?

NO.

THEN IS IT  
POSSIBLE FOR  
SOMEONE WHO  
HAS DIED INSIDE  
A DUNGEON...

...TO COME  
BACK TO LIFE  
LIKE YOU DID?

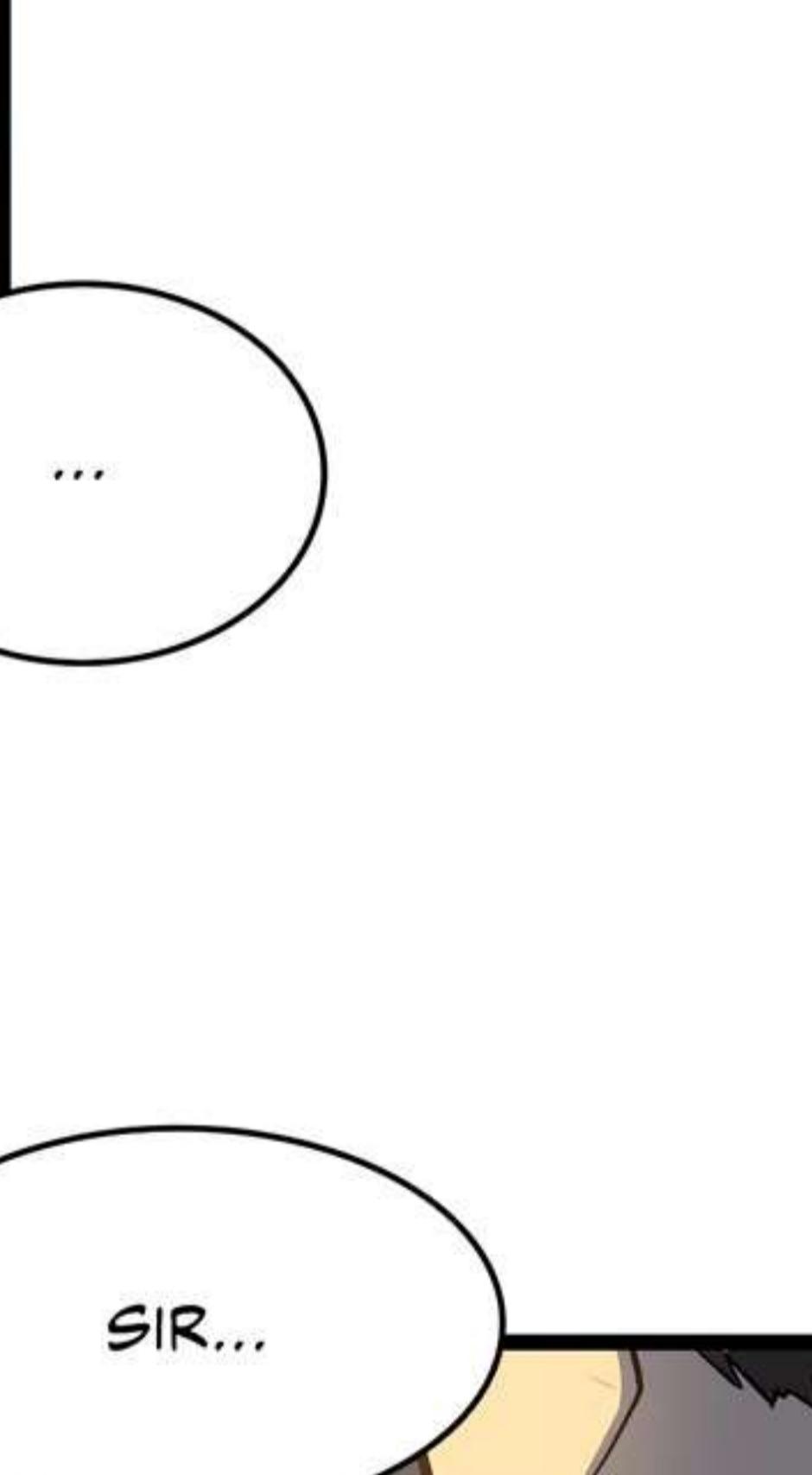
IF SO, MY  
BROTHER COULD  
ALSO BE...!

NO, THAT'S  
IMPOSSIBLE. ONE  
CANNOT BE BROUGHT  
BACK FROM THE  
DEAD.

LET  
ME ASK YOU  
SOMETHING,  
TOO.

...I'LL BE  
ASKING THE  
QUESTIONS.

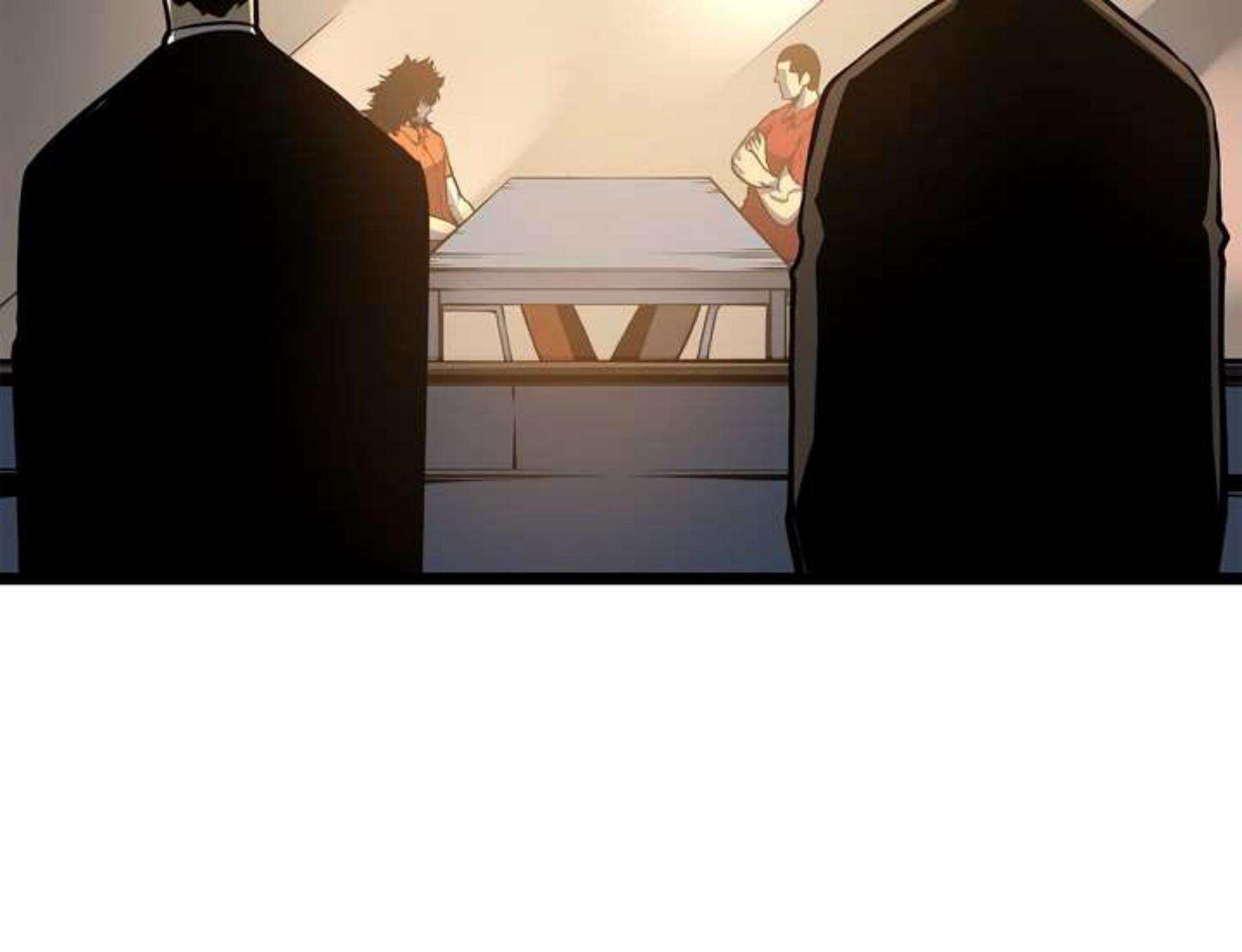
GATES AND MAGIC  
BEASTS... HOW MUCH  
DO YOU KNOW ABOUT  
SUCH THINGS?



SIR...

SHH.

ARE YOU  
SAYING YOU KNOW  
SOMETHING ABOUT  
THEM THAT I  
DON'T?



DUNGEONS,  
GATES, MAGIC  
BEASTS...

THEY'RE  
JUST THE TIP OF  
THE ICEBERG.



A POWERFUL FORCE  
HAS RECENTLY AWOKEN,  
AND IT WILL BRING  
ABOUT CATASTROPHIC  
DESTRUCTION.



SO YOU  
CAME HERE  
TO...?

TO STOP THE  
DESTRUCTION.

WHAT IS THIS  
"CATASTROPHIC  
DESTRUCTION" YOU  
SPEAK OF?

...I CAN'T TELL  
YOU THAT.

YOU CAME  
HERE TO STOP THE  
DESTRUCTION, BUT  
YOU CAN'T TELL US  
WHAT IT IS?

PFFT

I HAVE NO IDEA  
WHAT YOU'RE TALKING  
ABOUT, BUT WOULDN'T YOU  
AGREE THAT THERE  
IS STRENGTH IN  
NUMBERS?

AGAINST  
SUCH A FORCE,  
NUMBERS ARE  
MEANINGLESS.

PUTTING  
TOGETHER A TEAM OF  
MEDIocre HUNTERS WILL  
END IN FAILURE. THEY'LL  
JUST BE USED AND  
DISCARDED.

YOU'RE PRETTY  
STRONG, SO YOU  
PROBABLY ALREADY  
KNOW THIS.

"PRETTY  
STRONG"...?

HOW DARE HE LOOK  
DOWN ON ME.

SO WHAT YOU  
MEAN TO SAY IS,  
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE  
WHO CAN STOP THIS  
DESTRUCTION?

YOU'RE  
WASTING MY  
TIME, MAN.

HIS NAME IS  
SUNG IL-HWAN...

HE DOES LOOK  
SIMILAR TO THIS  
PHOTO, MINUS ALL  
THE HAIR...

BUT FOR  
SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN  
ROTTING INSIDE A DUNGEON  
FOR THE PAST DECADE,  
HE HASN'T AGED  
MUCH.

YOUR  
EXPERIENCE IS  
IMPRESSIVE. YOU'D  
BE ROLLING IN  
MONEY IF YOU WERE  
A HUNTER TODAY.

NOW THAT THE  
RANKING SYSTEM  
HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED,  
HIGH-RANKING HUNTERS  
LIKE ME HAVE MADE  
ENOUGH MONEY TO  
SUPPORT THREE  
GENERATIONS.

GUESS  
LIFE'S ALL ABOUT  
TIMING.

LET'S SEE  
HERE. YOUR WIFE'S  
NAME IS PARK  
KYUNG-HYE,

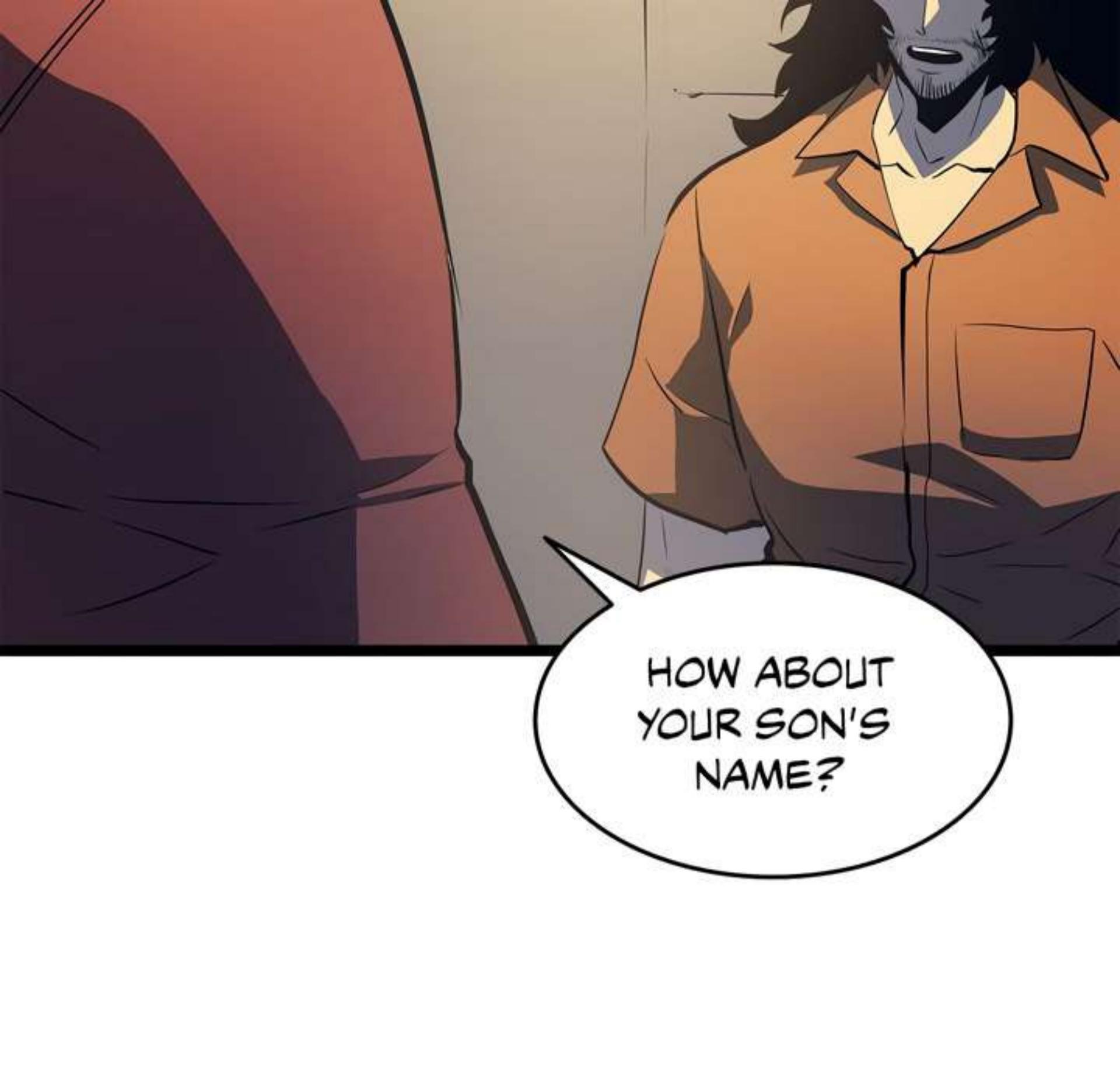
AND YOU  
HAVE TWO  
KIDS.

YOUR SON'S  
NAME IS...



DO YOU  
REMEMBER YOUR  
DAUGHTER'S  
NAME?

SUNG  
JINAH.



HOW ABOUT  
YOUR SON'S  
NAME?



SUNG JINWOO.



SMIRK



WHAT'S  
WRONG?



I'M SENSING  
A LOT OF HOSTILITY.



WHOO



I TOLD  
YOU ALREADY  
THAT I'LL BE  
ASKING ALL THE  
QUESTIONS.

GIVE ME AN  
ANSWER.

AND IF  
I DON'T?

I'LL FORCE YOU  
TO TELL ME.

YOU'RE  
A COCKY GUY,  
AREN'T YOU?



BEEP



ALL RIGHT, THEN.  
I DEEM YOU TO BE  
A MAGIC BEAST.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR,  
THIS MAN IS A  
BEAST.

HE'S GOING  
TO ATTACK SOON,  
SO PLEASE EVACUATE  
THE AREA AS QUICKLY  
AS POSSIBLE.



WHAT?  
W, WAIT!

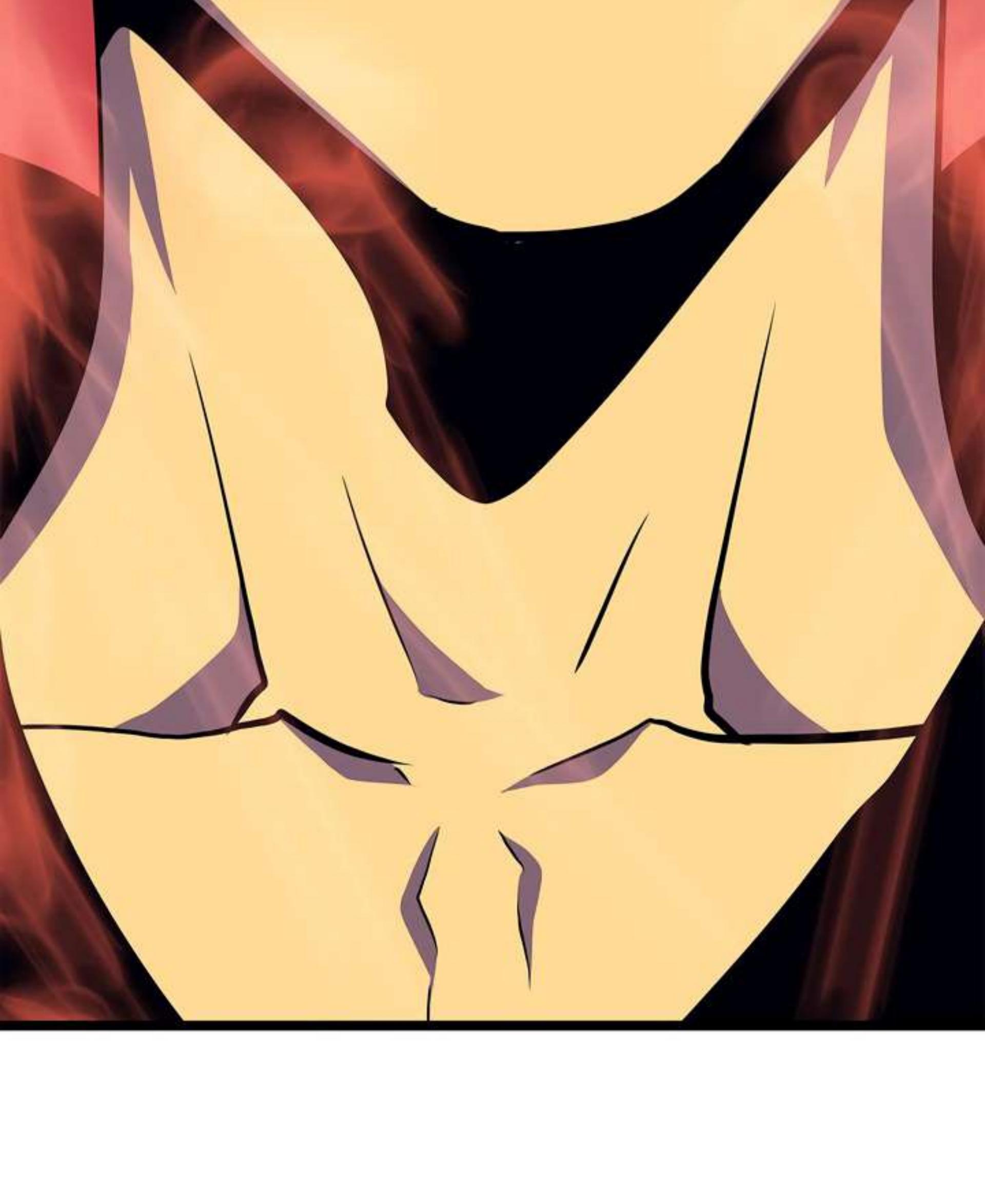
I JUST  
GOT BACK FROM  
KOREA, SO...

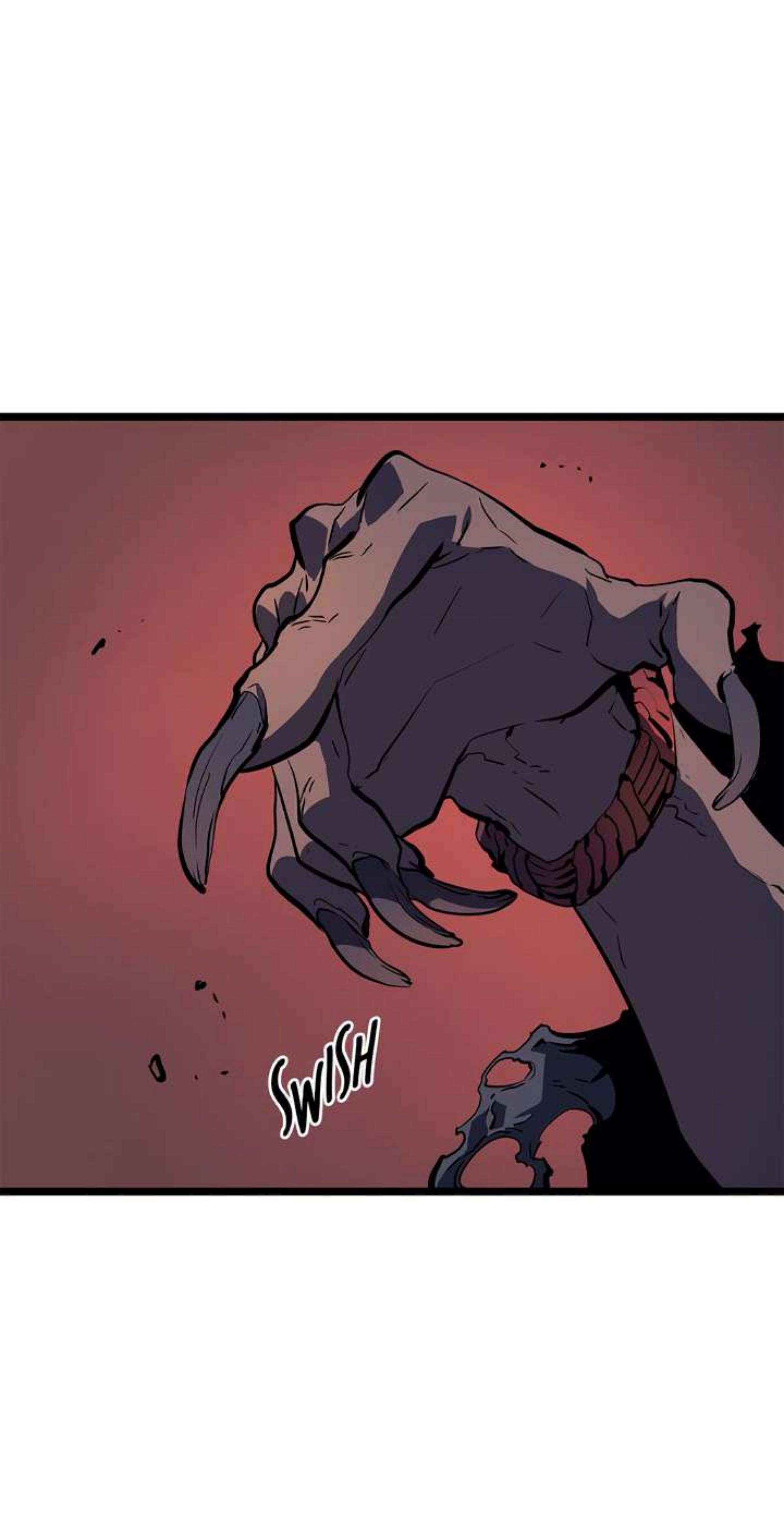
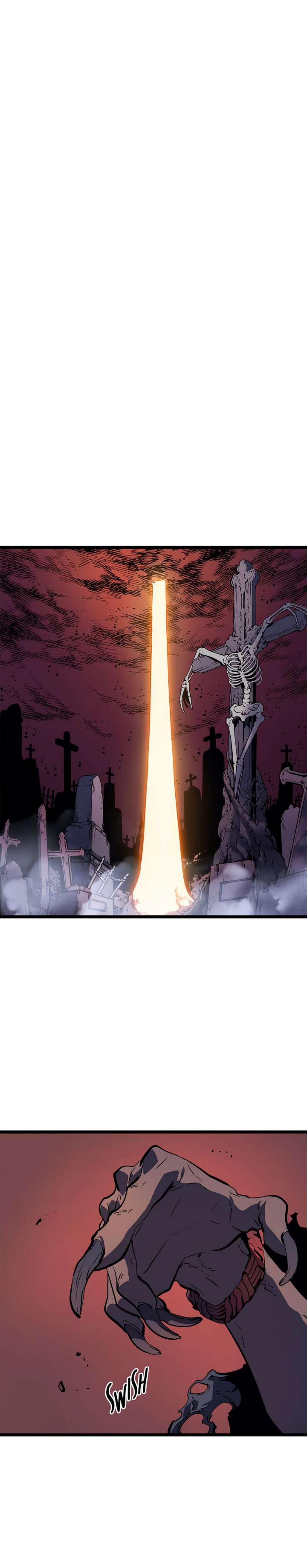
...I KNOW  
WHAT HAPPENED  
TO YOUR SON.

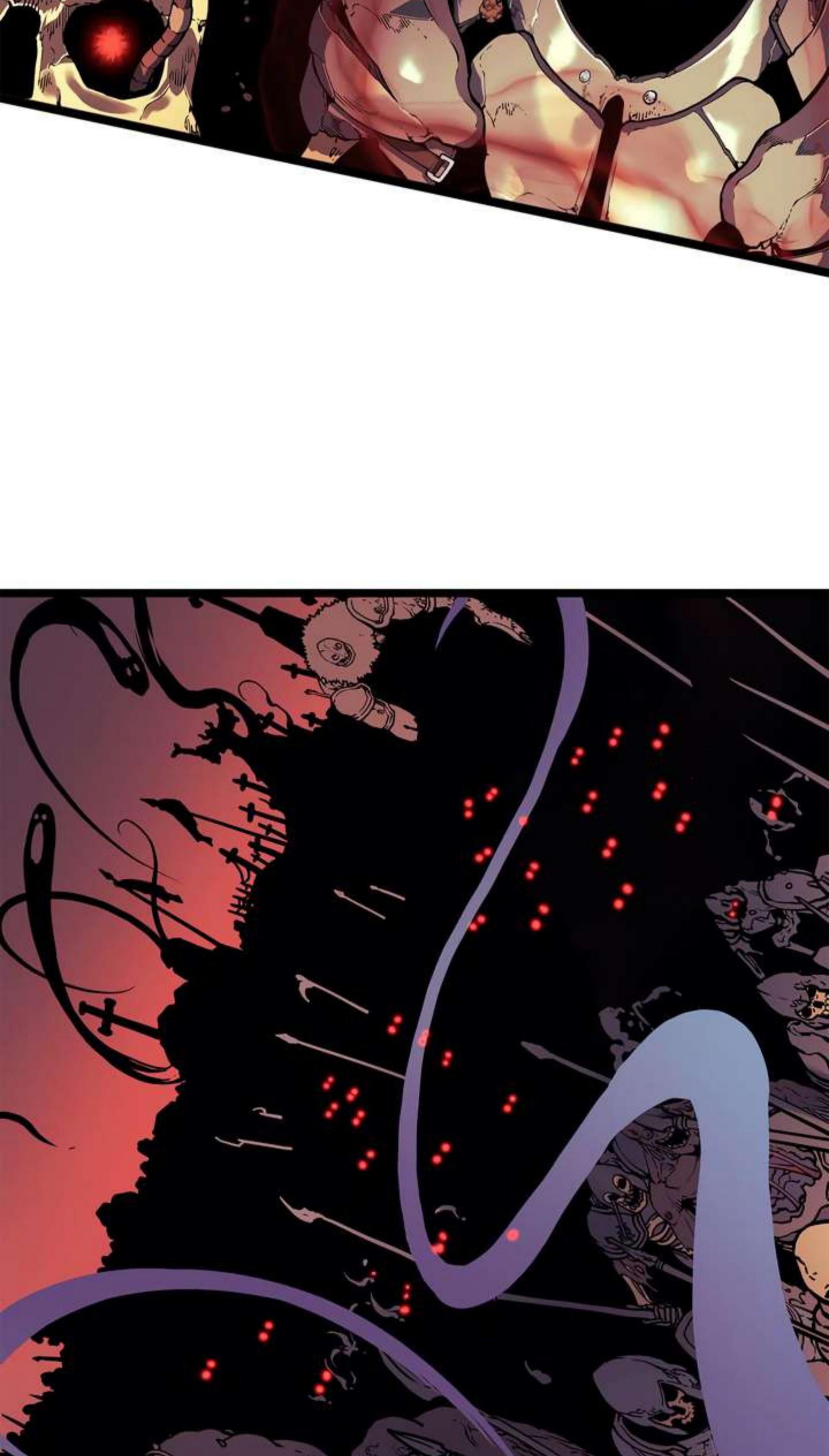
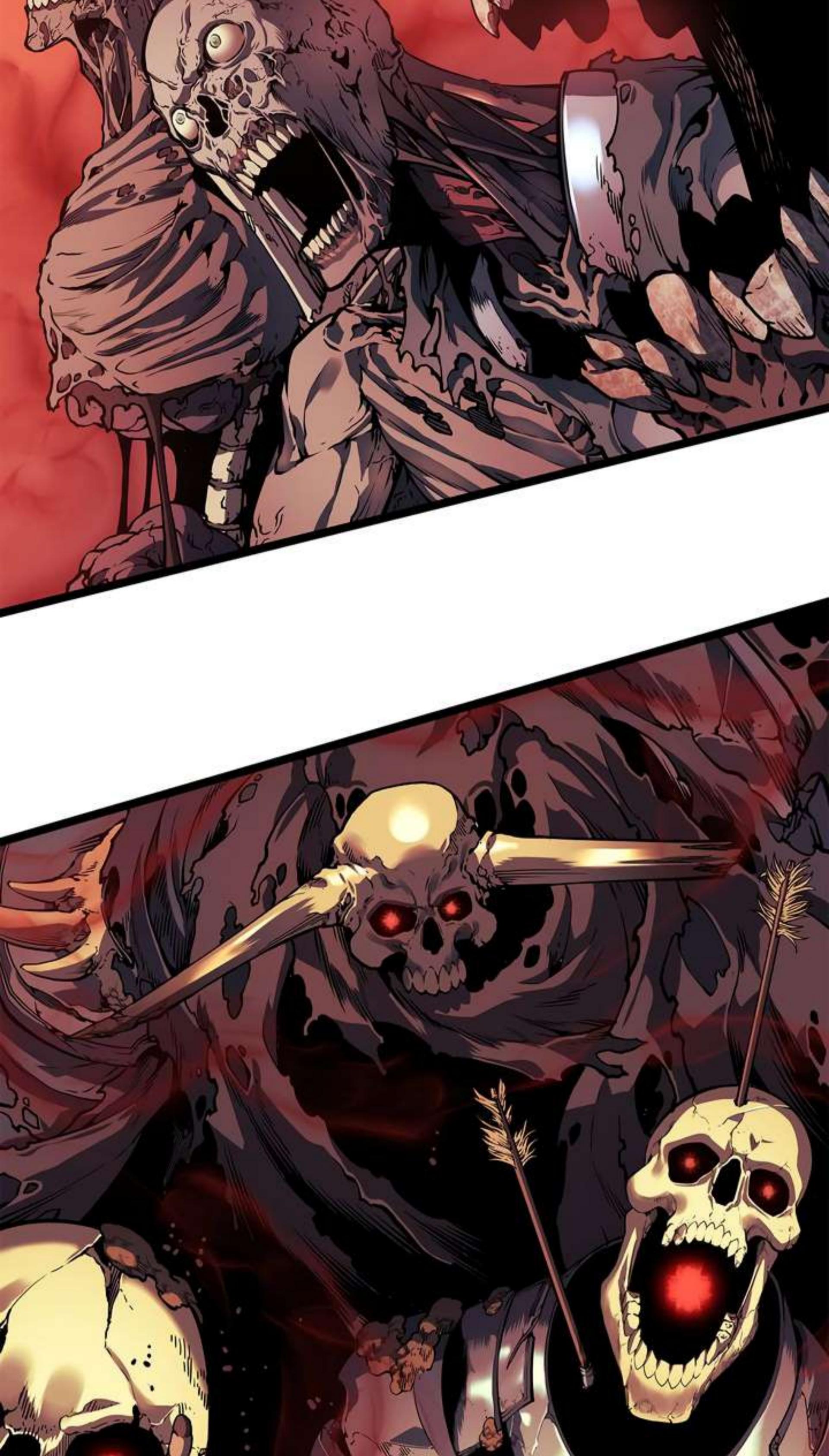
**HE'S DEAD.**

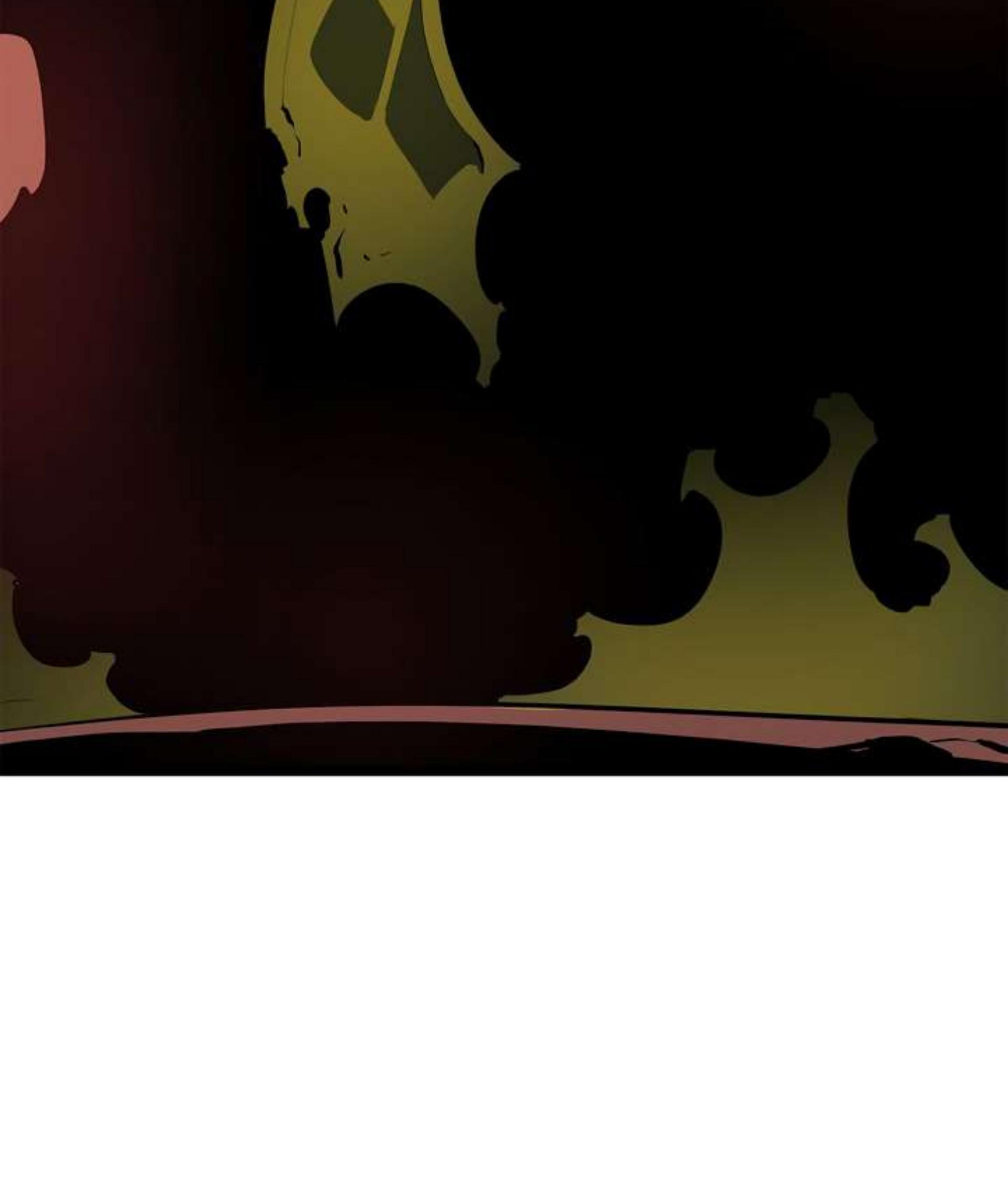


**LOOKS LIKE  
YOU'LL BE ABLE  
TO READ HIM YOUR  
WILL YOURSELF,  
UP IN HEAVEN.**







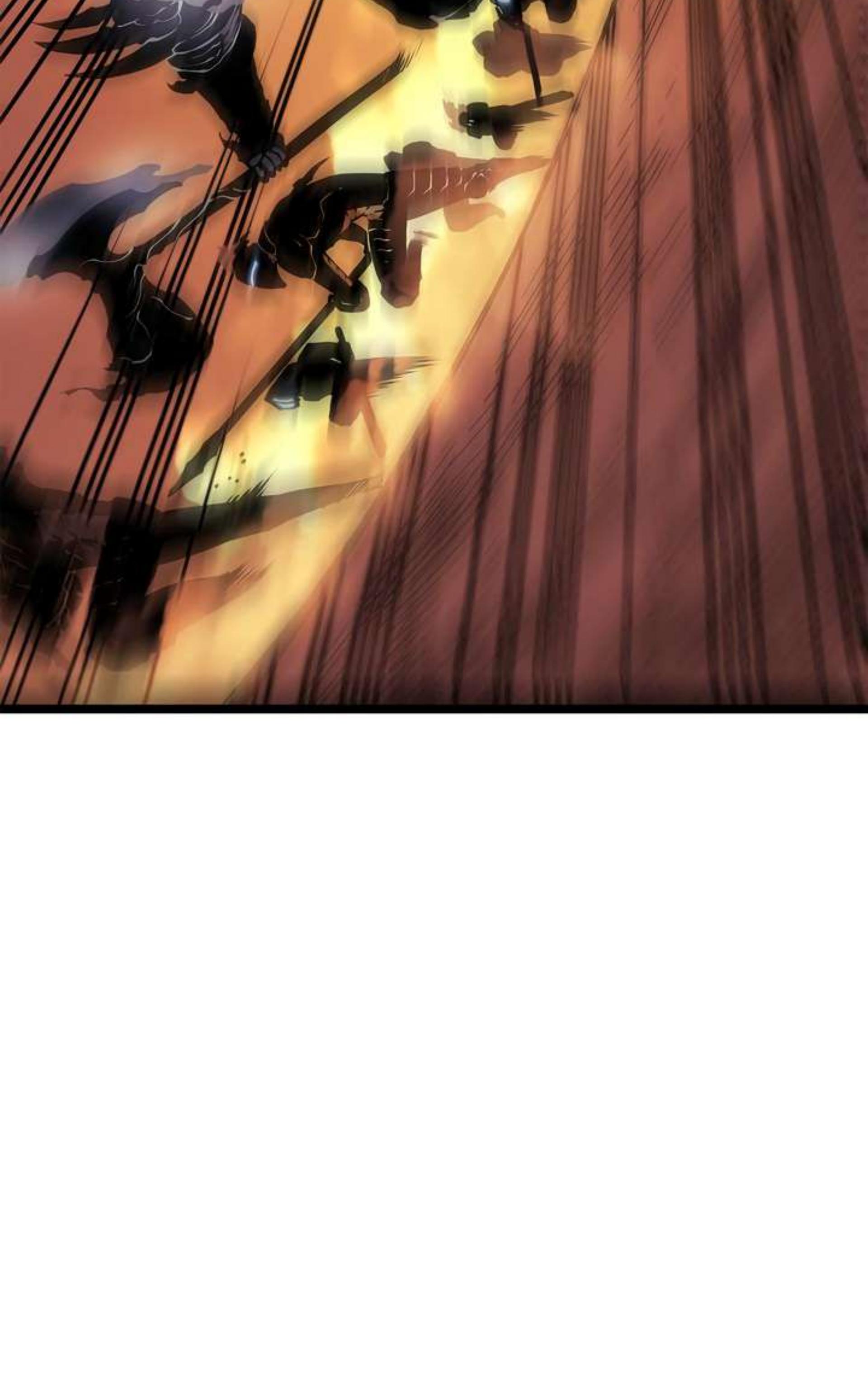
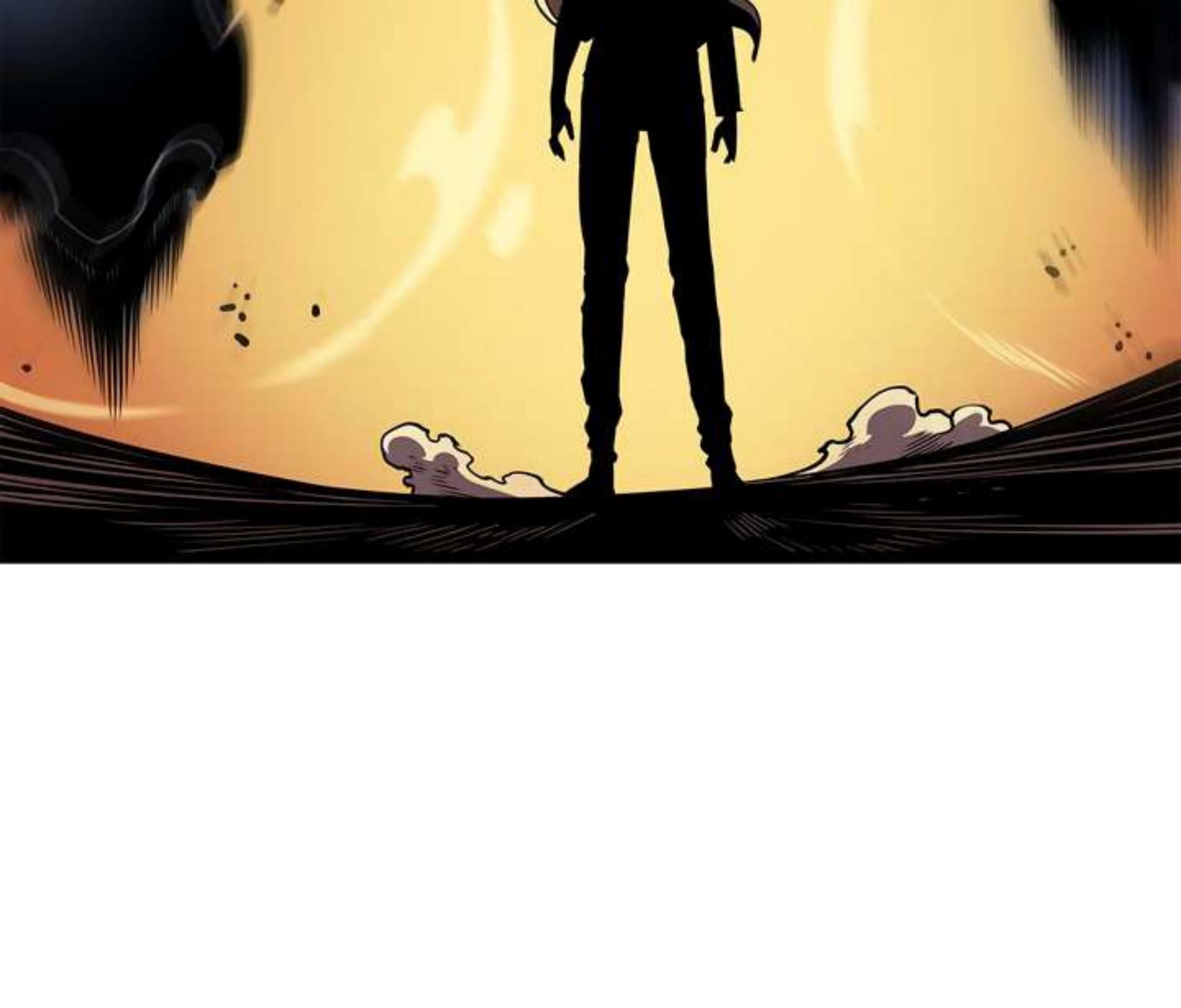


IRON,

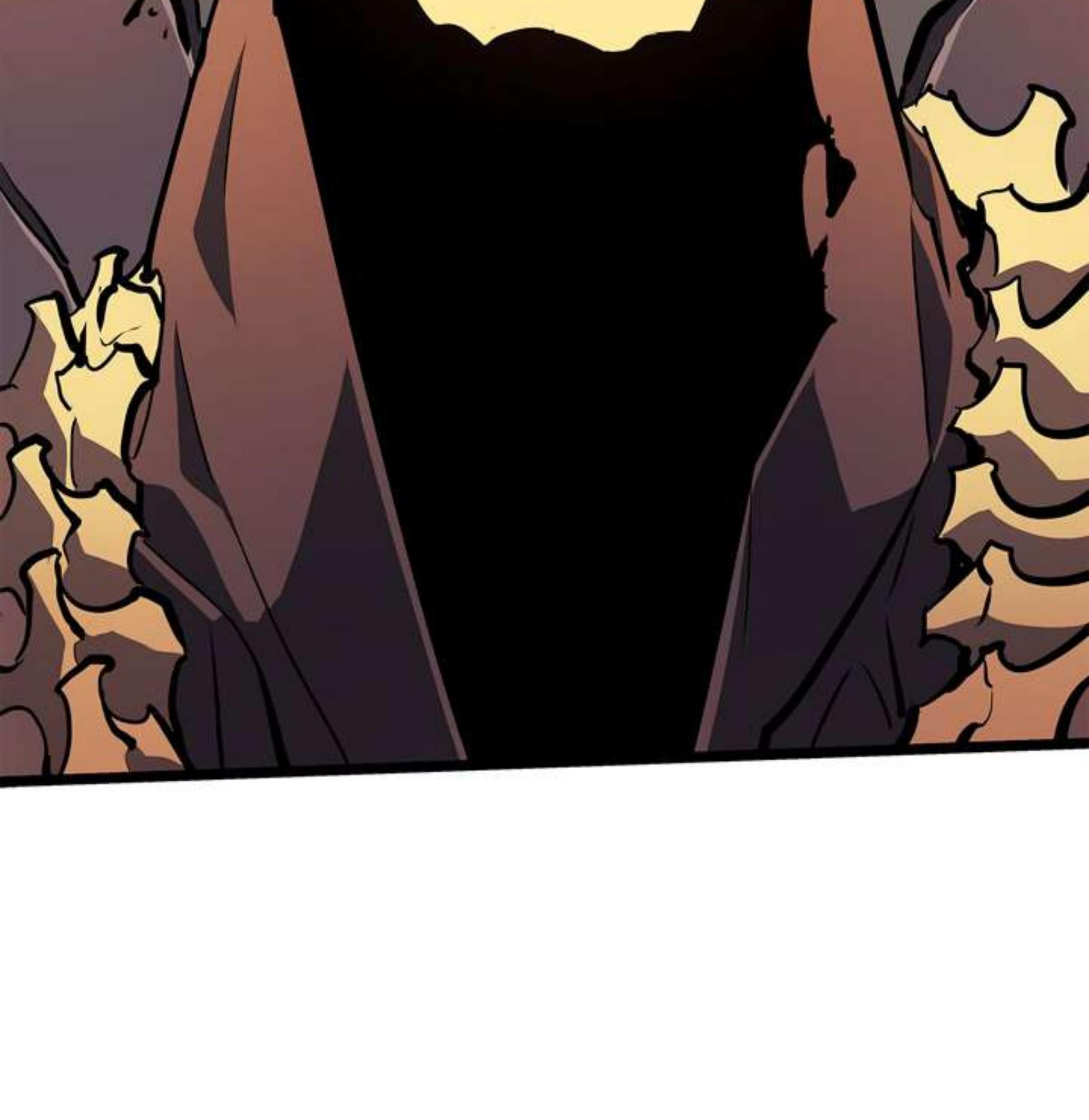
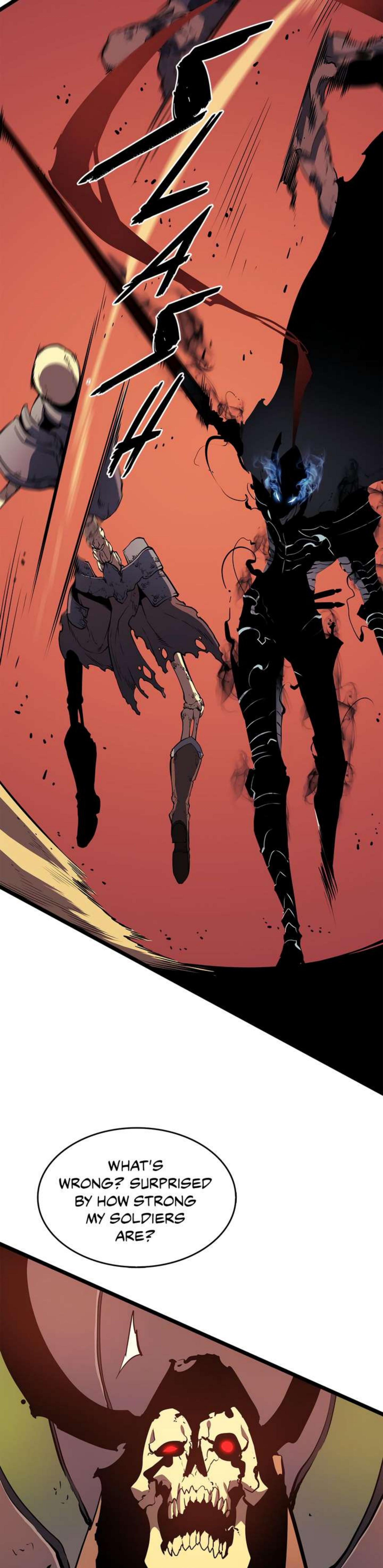
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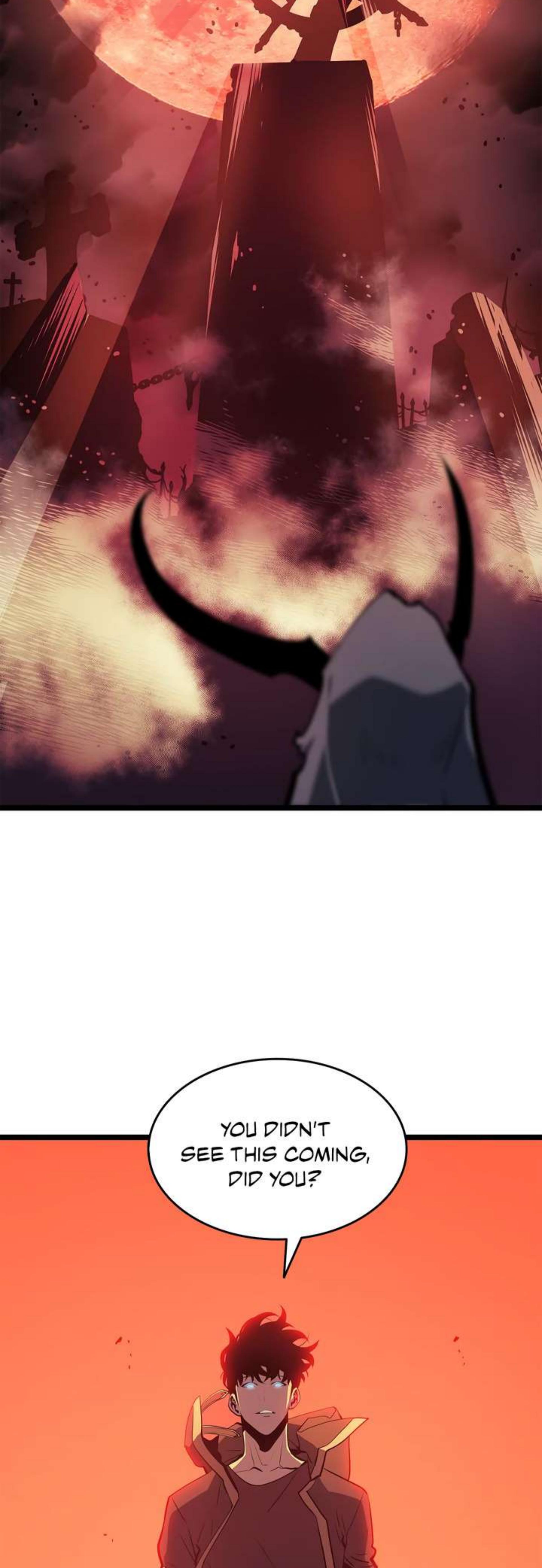
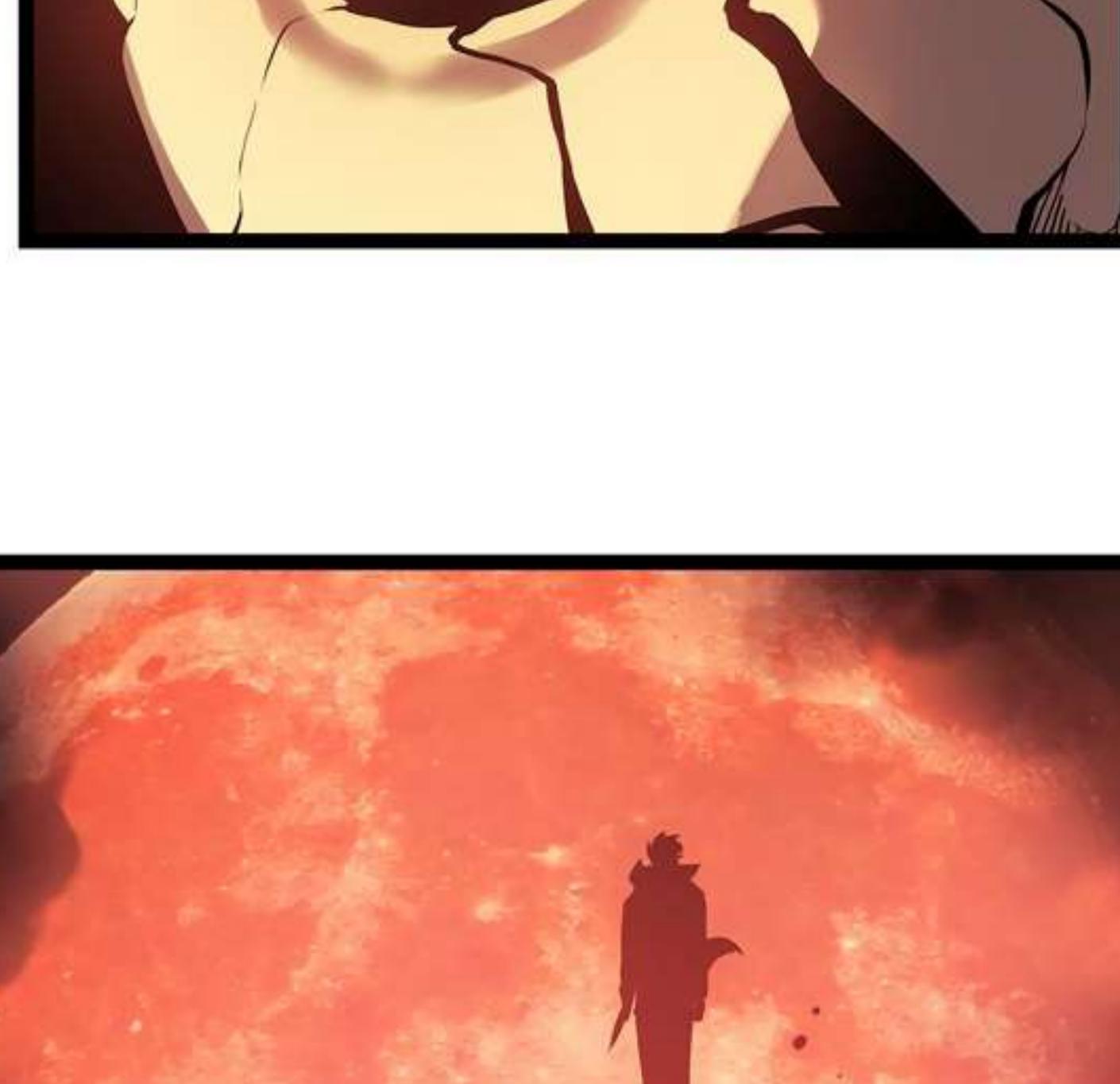
CLEAR THE PATH.

**SWOOSH**





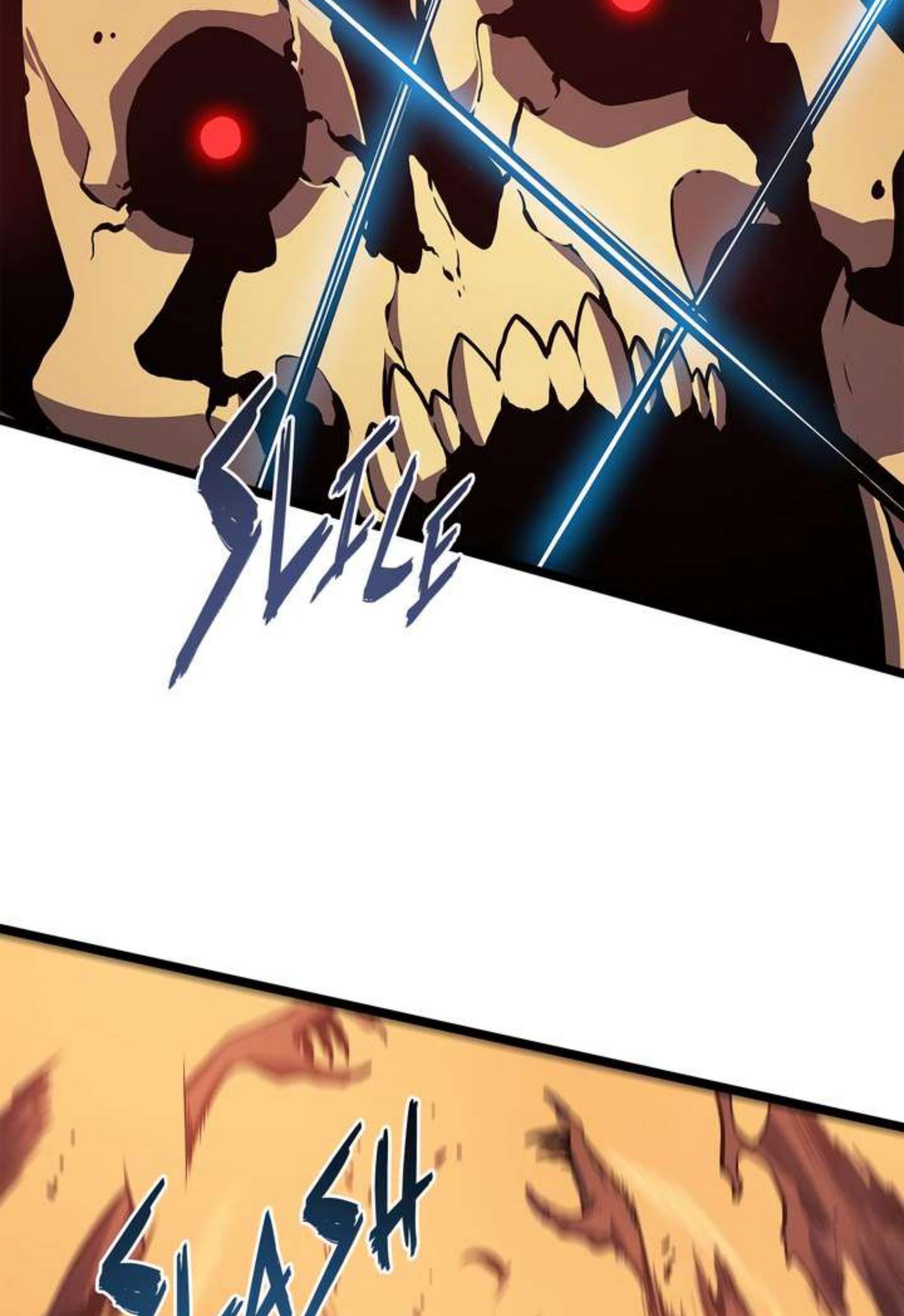




YOU DIDN'T  
SEE THIS COMING,  
DID YOU?







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