

Demon Slayer S.4 E.07

Title: Stone Hashira Gyomei Himejima

Character List:

Tanjiro Kamado, Nezuko Kamado, Zenitsu Agatsuma, Inosuke Hashibira, Genya Shinazugawa, Giyu Tomioka, Sanemi Shinazugawa (Shinazugawa), Gyomei Himejima, Kagaya Ubuyashiki, Amane Ubuyashiki, Sayo, Ryoumaru, Hisako, Kazunori, Asami, Muzan Kibutsuji, Kaigaku

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[Scene: At Himejima's training area. Tanjiro pushes the boulder for his final test.]

Tanjiro Urahhh!

Zenitsu For real?

Inosuke Ah...

Tanjiro Ahhh! Urahhh!

Zenitsu Y-You did it! Tanjiro, you did it!

Inosuke Dammit! You beat me!

Tanjiro Ngh...

(Thoughts) I-It's not over yet. If I relax for even a second, I'll wilt and lose ground!

(Thoughts) I gotta keep pushing this boulder for even a second longer!

(Thoughts) Not just with my arms. With my lower body! Use your lower body to push it!
You have more muscles in your lower body than in your upper body!

Ngh... Urahhh!

[Action: Tanjiro continues pushing the boulder.]

Inosuke Ah!

Ngh... Urahh! Tempura! Tempura! Comin' through!

[Action: Inosuke begins pushing on the boulder.]

Inosuke Ngh... Gahh... Urahhh!

[Action: Inosuke pushes his boulder.]

Zenitsu Wha...

(Thoughts) Inosuke managed to move his boulder, too! This sucks!

(Thoughts) That leaves only me! This totally sucks!

[Action: Zenitsu's sparrow lands at his feet and chirps.]

Zenitsu Chuntarou?

What do you want? I still haven't gotten my boulder to move, so I can't move on to the next session. Would you mind not rushing me?

[Action: Zenitsu's sparrow pecks his foot.]

Zenitsu Ouch! What is it?!

Huh? What? A letter?

[Scene: At Himejima's training area. Tanjiro struggles to continue pushing his boulder forward.]

Tanjiro Ngh... Ugh... Ngh... Ahh... Ahh...

[Action: Tanjiro collapses to the ground.]

Tanjiro (Thoughts) One cho! I-I was able to move it! That means... th-that my training... with Mr. Himejima... is over!

[Action: Tanjiro falls over.]

Tanjirou (Thoughts) Huh?

(Thoughts) Uh-oh... I-I'm dehydrated!

(Thoughts) I sweated bucketloads all of a sudden and didn't drink any water!

(Thoughts) Z-Zenitsu... Inosuke... Mr. Murata... I'm about to die right here!
S-Somebody...

[Action: Himejima pours some water on Tanjirou's face.]

Tanjirou Ah...

(Thoughts) Mr. Himejima! I'm saved!

Himejima Namu Amida Butsu... Namu Amida Butsu... Namu Amida Butsu.

Tanjirou Huh? Am I dead?

[Action: Tanjirou sits up.]

Tanjirou No, I'm alive!

Ah... Thank you very much!

[Action: Himejima pours water straight into Tanjirou's mouth.]

Tanjirou Blugh!

Himejima You have completed the boulder drill. In addition to that, you made the right choices at the village. I acknowledge you.

[Action: Himejima pours more water onto Tanjirou's face.]

Tanjirou Blugh! V-Village? Water...

That's enough for me!

[Action: Himejima stops pouring water.]

Himejima At the Swordsmith Village, you put the human villagers' lives ahead of your demon sister's.

Tanjirou Oh... Actually...

Himejima No need to be ashamed. You are an exemplary swordsman.

You should be proud of your virtuous actions.

[Action: Himejima holds the water flask out for Tanjiro. He takes it.]

Tanjiro No. It's not like that. It was Nezuko who made that decision. It wasn't me.

I was indecisive, and the villagers came this close to dying.

It's not right to acknowledge me.

Himejima (Thoughts) These creatures called "children" are pure, innocent, and weak. They're prone to lying and have no qualms about being cruel. They're selfishness personified.

(Thoughts) However, just as I thought, this child is different.

Tanjiro I'm always trying to keep myself on the right path, but I don't know what lies ahead.

Someone always helps me out, so I end up not straying from my path. That's all.

That day, as well. It really was a close call.

So... I'm asking you not to be so quick to acknowledge me!

Thank you very much for the water. And thank you for training me until today. I learned a lot!

Himejima You've dispelled my doubts. No matter what anyone says, I acknowledge you... Tanjiro Kamado.

Tanjiro Huh? I-I don't get it. Why is that?

Himejima Years ago, I was raising orphaned children at a temple.

[Scene: In the past, at the orphanage. Children run around.]

Ryoutarou (Flashback) Kazunori! You're late!

Kazunori (Flashback) Sorry! I had to pee!

[Scene: At dinner. The children sit down for their meal.]

Hisako (Flashback) Teacher, this is quite a feast today!

Himejima (Flashback) Yes. I happened to run into a dried fish vendor. He let me have his unsold goods for almost nothing.

(Flashback) Let us give thanks to this kind person. And let us give thanks to Ryotarou and Asami, who were on cooking duty today.

Ryoutarou (Flashback) You'd better appreciate it!

Asami (Flashback) Hey, Ryotarou!

Children (Flashback) Hahahaha! Hahahaha!

Sayo (Flashback) Mmm...

[Action: Sayo picks up her plate and brings it to Himejima.]

Hisako (Flashback) Sayo?

Himejima (Flashback) What's this?

Sayo (Flashback) I'm giving you my fish, Teacher. You're too skinny, Teacher! Eat more, okay?

Himejima (Flashback) Hahaha... Oh, I see. What a sweet child you are.

[Action: Himejima pats Sayo's head.]

Sayo (Flashback) Ah...

Himejima (Flashback) I appreciate your concern, but as I've undergone strict training, hunger doesn't bother me.

(Flashback) Now take this and eat well.

Sayo (Flashback) Okay! Heh...

[Action: Sayo returns to her seat.]

Himejima (Flashback) I may not look it, but I'm more powerful than you all!

Kazunori (Flashback) Okay, then, I'll take it!

Sayo (Flashback) No, you won't! It's only for Teacher!

Children (Flashback) Hahahaha! Hahahaha!

[Action: Himejima claps his hands together. The children do the same.]

Himejima (Flashback) We humbly receive this food.

Children (Flashback) We humbly receive this food!

Himejima Although none of us were related by blood, we all got along well, helping each other out, living like a family.

I thought that I would go on living like that forever.

However, one night...

[Scene: At night, in a forest. Kaigaku runs through the forest but trips.]

Kaigaku (Flashback) Ugh... Ahhh!

Himejima ... a child who'd broken the rules and failed to return to the temple before dark encountered a demon. In order to save himself, he told the demon that it could devour me and the eight children at the temple.

Tanjirou Ah...

[Scene: In the past, at night, at the temple. Himejima and the children prepare to sleep.]

Children (Flashback) Good night!

(Flashback) Good night.

Himejima Where I lived, the lore about the threat of demons still persisted, and at night, I would always burn wisteria incense.

[Action: Kaigaku smothers the burning incense.]

Himejima That child extinguished the incense and destroyed the burner...

Kaigaku (Flashback) Ngh...

Himejima ... and then guided the demon inside the temple.

Kaigaku (Flashback) Ngh...

[Action: A demon opens the temple door. One of the children wakes up.]

Boy (Flashback) Ngh... Who's there?

[Action: The demon kills the children. Himejima wakes up.]

Himejima (Flashback) Ah!

Four of the children were killed instantly.

I did all I could to protect the remaining four, but three of the children...

Children (Flashback) Ahhh!

Himejima ... didn't do as I told them.

[Action: Three children run past Himejima. The demon attacks them.]

Kazunori Gah... Gah... Ah... Ah...

Himejima Rather than rely on me, they fled. Their throats were slashed, and they died.

At the time, I had little food to eat, and I was thin and also timid.

I'd never even raised my voice.

On top of that, what use could a blind adult be? That was likely why those kids chose to run.

Tanjirou (Thoughts) Mr. Himejima can't see?

Sayo (Flashback) Ah...!

Himejima It was only the youngest, Sayo, who did as she was told.

Sayo alone hid behind me.

I... I fought believing I had to protect Sayo, no matter what.

(Flashback) Urahhh!

[Action: Himejima grabs the demon's hands.]

Himejima (Flashback) Ngh! Ngh... Ngh... Urgh...

[Action: The demon slashes Himejima's forehead. Himejima rips the demon's arms off.]

Himejima (Flashback) Ahhh...

(Flashback) Grr... Ngh! Ahh!

[Action: Himejima continues to beat the demon.]

Himejima (Flashback) Urah! Urahh! Urah! Ngh!

(Flashback) Urahh! Ngh... Urah! Ngh... Ngh... Grr... Ngh! Ugh!

Sayo (Flashback) Ah...

Himejima Striking a living creature felt like hell to me.

I'll never forget how revolting it was for as long as I live.

For the first time in my life, I was clenching my fist to throw punches with full force, and my strength was terrifying even to me. Had that demon not attacked me, I would've gone my whole life never knowing how strong I was.

I continued to smash in the demon's head until daybreak.

That night, I lost scores of things. I was hurt, and I risked my life protecting Sayo. But this is what she said to those who arrived on the scene.

"He's a monster. He's the one who killed. The one who killed everyone."

Tanjirou No way...

Himejima The terror of that experience must have left her confused. She was just a child of four. Who could blame her? That's just the kind of creatures children are.

But I, even so, wanted Sayo, at least, to appreciate what I'd done.

I wanted her to say, "Thank you for fighting for me".

Just hearing those words would have saved me. But it's all children can do to think of themselves.

The demon's corpse turned to dust and vanished, and all that was left were the childrens' remains. I was thrown in prison for murder.

If the Master hadn't intervened, I would've been executed. Afterward, it seems to me that I became truly distrustful.

Needless to say, I was suspicious of you, too. No matter how virtuous people seem to be, when push comes to shove, their true nature emerges.

But you never ran off. You never turned your gaze away. You never lied. You were pure and single-minded.

It may seem simple enough, but few people can remain that way whatever the situation.

You are a special child. As someone who has observed scores of people with the eyes of my soul, I cannot be wrong.

Tanjirou Ah...

Himejima Every one of us has misgivings about the future. From now on, I, too, will help you so that you'll never stray from your path.

[Action: Tanjirou begins to cry.]

Tanjirou I'll do my best... Thank you very much!

[Action: Himejima pats Tanjirou's head.]

Tanjirou Ah... Hehehe...

Himejima Your training with me is now complete.

Good for you for seeing it through.

[Scene: At Himejima's training area. Tanjirou, Inosuke, and Genya have a meal.]

Genya Say what you will about him, but Mr. Himejima is a good guy.

He said he wouldn't make me his Tsuguko because I have no talent, but he let me become his apprentice when he sensed that I was eating demons.

And he introduced me to Ms. Kochou to have her check my physical condition.

Tanjirou Oh, is that right?

Genya Ms. Kochou gave me this really sour look. She lectures me every single time I see her.

Inosuke Grr...

[Action: Inosuke grabs a roasted fish.]

Tanjirou Inosuke! That's Zenitsu's! You can't eat it!

Inosuke Huh?! If he's a no-show, that means he doesn't want it, right?! I bet that jerk has got the runs right about now!

Tanjirou No, actually, I'd say he was feeling starved.

[Action: Inosuke puts the fish back near the fire.]

Inosuke Ngh... Jeez! Seriously, all you ever do is worry about other people!

Genya You seem pretty stubborn yourself, so I thought she'd get on your case, too. But she never did give you a hard time, huh?

Tanjirou Well, if I couldn't use breathing techniques, I'm sure I would've been in the same boat.

But how are you physically? Ms. Shinobu is probably giving you a hard time because she's worried about your health.

Genya You think so?

Tanjirou I'm sure she is!

After I'm done eating, I'll be heading over to Mr. Giyuu's place. Are you coming, too, Genya?

Genya Nah, I can't go. I haven't moved that boulder one cho yet.

Inosuke I'm almost done, you know!

Genya Well, it's because I can't use breathing techniques.

Inosuke Hahahaha! What, you can't use breathing techniques?! What a loser!

[Action: Inosuke and Genya get into a brawl.]

Genya Hey, did you just call me a loser?!

Inosuke Bottom-feeder!

Damn you!

Genya What'd you say?!

Tanjirou Hey, come on!

[Action: Tanjirou sits on Inosuke's back.]

Inosuke Gahh! Get off me! Gahh...

Tanjirou I was going to talk to you on the way if you were coming.

Genya About what?!

Tanjirou About the Wind Hashira... your big brother.

Genya Ah...

Tanjirou See, about him...

[Scene: Sometime later. Tanjirou finds Zenitsu sitting on his boulder.]

Tanjirou Hey, Zenitsu! There you are!

Did you get your boulder to move?

Zenitsu No. Not yet.

Tanjirou I see. I'm heading to my next training session, but are you all right? You haven't said much for the last few days, and that worries me.

Zenitsu Is that right? Good for you. Give it your all.

As for me... what I'm supposed to do, what I have to do no matter what... has become clear to me. That's all.

Tanjirou Did something happen?

If there's anything I can do --

Zenitsu Tanjirou... Just do what you need to do, Tanjirou.

Tanjirou But... But I'm so worried!

Zenitsu You really are a good guy, aren't you? Thanks.

[Action: Tanjirou leaves grilled fish for Zenitsu and leaves.]

Zenitsu But... this is one thing I have to do, no matter what.

[Scene: Elsewhere, on a path. Tanjiro makes his way to Tomioka's training area.]

Tanjiro (Thoughts) Is Zenitsu going to be okay?

(Thoughts) Not to mention Nezuko... Is it okay to leave her in someone else's care for so long?

Nezuko (Imagination) Wahhh!

Tanjiro (Thoughts) I hope she's not feeling lonely!

Huh? Let's see... So I'm here... Mr. Giyuu's place should be around here, right?

[Action: Tanjiro hears the sound of wooden swords clashing.]

Tanjiro Ah...

[Action: Tanjiro makes his way along the path. He finds Shinazugawa and Tomioka sparring.]

Shinazugawa Hah!

Ngh...

Ngh...

[Action: Shinazugawa launches toward Tomioka. Tomioka dodges.]

Tanjiro (Thoughts) S-So quick!

Shinazugawa (Thoughts) Wind Breathing, First Form! Dust Whirlwind Cutter!

Tanjiro (Thoughts) But... I can see! I can follow their movements!

Shinazugawa Urahh!

Hey, come on! What's wrong?! I thought you weren't like the rest of us!

Tomioka (Flashback) I'm not like the rest of you.

Tanjiro (Thoughts) Ah... Hey, about that... That's now what he meant!

Tomioka (Thoughts) Water Breathing... Fourth Form... Striking Tide.

Shinazugawa Could you be any slower?!

Urah!

[Action: Shinazugawa attacks. Tomioka blocks.]

Tomioka (Thoughts) Seventh Form... Drop Ripple Thrust, Curve.

Shinazugawa (Thoughts) Fifth Form... Cold Mountain Wind!

[Action: Tomioka and Shinazugawa break their wooden swords.]

Shinazugawa Tsk... All right... Let's kill each other with our bare hands next, huh?

Tanjirou Hold up, hold up, hold up!

Just hold on a second! You can't kill each other!

Shinazugawa Why don't you shut up, dammit! What happened to the restraining order?! You've been spying on us, you scumbag!

Tanjirou Are you fighting over red bean mochi?

If that's the case, I'll make enough to fill you up, all right?

Shinazugawa You're messing with me, aren't you?

Tanjirou Huh?!

What? No, I'm serious! You love red bean mochi, don't you, Mr. Shinazugawa?

When you were training me at your place, I could always get a whiff of mochi rice and red bean paste.

(Flashback) Smells so good!

Every time you went back, there was the lovely scent of matcha tea and red bean mochi, so I assumed that...

Shinazugawa Ngh...

Tomioka Shinazugawa... You like red bean mochi?

Shinazugawa Ngh...

Tanjirou They sure are yummy, aren't they? Red bean mochi! Do you like smooth beans? Or

chunky beans?

Shinazugawa Grr...

Tanjirou You know, I really loved my grandma's red bean mochi!

[Action: Shinazugawa punches Tanjirou away.]

Shinazugawa Urah!

Tanjirou Erk!

[Scene: Sometime later. Tanjirou wakes up.]

Tanjirou Ah!

Oh, my! Huh?

Mr. Giyu?!

Tomioka Shinazugawa got angry and stormed off.

Tanjirou I see. Why were you fighting?

Tomioka We weren't fighting. That was part of our Hashira Training. We spar with each other, Hashira versus Hashira.

Tanjirou Oh, is that right? Oh, right, I get it! You were using wooden swords! I see, I see! Sorry for interrupting!

Tomioka No, you didn't interrupt us. I mean, I didn't know how to talk to him, and Shinazugawa was angry the whole time. But I'm glad I found out what his favorite food is.

From now on, I think I'll hide red bean mochi in my sleeve and give it to Shinazugawa every time I see him.

Tanjirou Oh, that's a great idea!

Tomioka If I do that, I think we can become good friends.

Tanjirou I think I'll do the same!

Crow Don't bother, moron.

[Scene: At night. Shinazugawa comes down the path to the secret sparring spot.]

Shinazugawa Tsk... Damn them! Where are they loitering, anyway?!

Who knew that both Iguro and Tokitou would be out now of all times?

If running those losers into the ground is all I do... I'll get rusty!

Tanjirou (Flashback) Are you fighting over red bean mochi?

Shinazugawa Ngh... Tanjirou Kamado... If only that punk hadn't put a damper on things! Damn him!

What the hell's his deal, anyway?! What a messed up piece of work that kid is! For real!

[Action: Shinazugawa stops. He turns around suddenly and catches one of Nakime's eyeballs.]

Shinazugawa What the hell is this?

[Action: Nakime's eyeball disintegrates.]

Shinazugawa We've been infiltrated!

[Scene: At night, at the Ubuyashiki Mansion. Kibutsuji finds a bedridden Kagaya. Amane sits at his side.]

Kagaya Well, hello. So you're here?

Nice to meet you, I should say... Muzan Kibutsuji.

Kibutsuji You're... certainly looking hideous, Ubuyashiki.