

Ancient GM 1621

Chapter 1621: Top Three

As that battle concluded, the top ten were revealed.

Di Tian, domineeringly crushed his way into the top ten with a cultivation base at the mid-stage of the immortal emperor realm.

The Lifelong Realmlord smiled as he spectated, an expression of interest could be seen on his face. He spoke to those beside him, "From the discussion below us, this man doesn't seem to be a person from one of the major powers of my Lifelong City, right?"

"Realmlord, Di Tian is someone who came together with the Jialan Clan. He originates from Lifire City. Before this, there was a governor of Lifire City who had a conflict with him because of their interactions. Earlier, I've also paid attention to the discussions of the crowd. This Di Tian is actually a grandmaster weaponsmith, even the people from Lifire City had no idea he was so strong in the martial path." Someone at the side spoke lightly.

The Realmlord smiled and nodded. "What rank do you think he can get?"

"Mhm, he doesn't seem to have put in his all yet. Maybe, he might be able to get within the top three."

"Let us watch on then." The Realmlord laughed. He didn't expect that someone so interesting would come from Lifire City. When he glanced at the Lifire Emphyrean, the emphyrean didn't seem too happy. Seems like his conflict with the Jialan Clan was still the same as the past.

Jialan Yuntian didn't feel happy because of Di Tian's victory. He was in deep contemplation of the issue he thought about earlier. Why did Di Tian give in so easily to their Jialan Clan? He could even win against the Skydragon Saint Child. Given his talent, what was his true purpose in remaining in Lifire City?

Jialan Qiuyue, who was beside him, was completely ignorant. A smile could be seen in her beautiful eyes. Di Tian won again, he was simply a miracle, slaughtering his way into the top ten, gaining the Realmlord's attention.

For the top ten, regardless of their eventual rankings, the participants would all obtain a reward given by the Realm Lord. From this, one could see that they have already succeeded in leaving behind an impression. The Lifelong Saint Hall would also regard them highly, even using them in the future. This, would prove to be of immense benefits to Di Tian's future.

"This Grandmaster Di Tian isn't a simple character." In the direction of the Xuanyuan Clan, Xuanyuan Hao spoke in a low voice. Di Tian also had such terrifying talent in weaponsmithing. He was simply a monster.

Not only were the spectators sighing in admiration, even the remaining participants were shocked by that earlier battle. The tyrannical attitude expressed by Di Tian refreshed their memories once again. He said that he would directly challenge those who are unhappy that he was still here because of his mid-stage cultivation base. How imposing was that? Clearly, no one else could treat him like a mid-stage immortal emperor any more.

Despite the top ten already appearing, the battle still had to continue. The rules remained unchanged, one could freely challenge who they wanted. The first to be eliminated would naturally have the highest rank. Those who could last until the end would then have a chance to enter the top three. Although the rule was slightly unfair, this battle was just a means to spark excitement for the atmosphere of the grand banquet. It would ultimately still depend on the strength of the participants.

The Purple Yang Immortal Emperor walked out, he challenged another supreme immortal emperor who had cultivated for over tens of thousands of years. The Purple Yang Immortal Emperor released his law domain, crushing his opponent's defenses with his strongest attacks, causing the #10 ranker to appear.

After that, the expert from the Setting Sun Institute challenged the young master of the Sunmoon Mountain Manor and succeeded in defeating him. The #9 ranker then appeared.

And even later, the Poison Saint's disciple defeated one more, revealing the #8 ranker.

Battles continued to erupt, no one was able to shift their eyes away due to the intensity of the battles and excitement in the atmosphere. None of those participants who were eliminated were weak. It was just that they were slightly unlucky, encountering opponents who were slightly stronger than them or had a slight advantage over them.

Sword Ion also stepped out. He glanced at Di Tian but he ultimately didn't choose Di Tian to be his opponent. He chose Lord Heartseize as his opponent instead. As the two of them fought, sword qi ran rampant and law energies filled the sky. In the end, Sword Ion depended on his experience and his shocking swordplay to gain victory, leading to the fact that Lord Heartseize became the #7 ranker.

The ones remaining all struck fear in the hearts of the spectators.

These six were respectively Xuanyuan Dipper, Sword Ion, Purple Yang Immortal Emperor, Poison Saint's disciple, Setting Sun Institute's student and Di Tian.

Another bout of silence occurred. None of the following six participants took the initiative to step out. It was like they were waiting for others to initiate the challenge. Right now, even if they didn't participate, their goals were already achieved. Their strengths were also proven. If you were weak, it was impossible for you to remain up until now, others would have already eliminated you.

Why would Di Tian be able to remain until now? Because, he domineeringly crushed everyone who suspected his qualifications to remain, including the Skydragon Saint Child. If you are not capable, you will naturally be eliminated. Luck wasn't enough of a factor to help you if you are too weak. Di Tian could remain until now purely because of his strength.

"Six of us remains, we just have to fight one battle each and the top three would appear." Xuanyuan Dipper intentionally spoke. He wanted them to split into three teams of two, and eliminate three more.

Nobody spoke. Di Tian took the lead and stepped out, his gaze landing on the Poison Saint's disciple. The other party instantly knew of his intentions and walked out to accept the challenge.

The Poison Saint's disciple was robed in white, there wasn't any hint of poison aura from him and he actually looked like an elegant gentleman. No matter how you viewed him, you wouldn't feel that he was a top-tier poison expert. However, the moment you let your guard down, that would be instantly fatal.

As for this battle, Di Tian was extremely confident. The reason why he chose this opponent was very simple. He was impervious to the vast majority of poisons.

A formless air current flowed towards Di Tian, seemingly indiscernible. When facing an expert like the Poison Saint's disciple, one must not blindly assume that poison qi would definitely be black in color. If not, you wouldn't even know how you died.

His poison qi was traceless and formless, it could invade into his target's body without them knowing, or even seep deep inside their soul.

At this moment, Di Tian's expression changed. He felt a sense of numbness, even his blood seemed to stop flowing. The flowing energy within his body felt like he was trying to circulate it through mud. Evidently, the poison had already invaded his system.

"You challenged me yet you dared to be so careless?" The Poison Saint's disciple stared at Qin Wentian. As he spoke, a fearsome miasma radiated from him, the entire atmosphere became sinister and gloomy, becoming a world of poison. The Poison Saint's disciple grinned, he could sense that his poison has already seeped into Di Tian's body.

He saw Di Tian's face turning dark. He laughed and blasted out a palm, manifesting terrifying black-colored palm imprints. He then stepped out, instantly arriving before Di Tian, bringing with him a surge of toxic gas as he unleashed his attacks. In an instant, a myriad of poisons were all released, seeping into Di Tian. The Poison Saint's disciple couldn't help but believe his luck. This powerful and arrogant mid-stage immortal emperor was actually so careless, allowing him to gain victory in a single move?

But at this moment, the Poison Saint's disciple suddenly felt something was wrong. A pure holy white light radiated from Di Tian, burning away all toxins. The poisons that had invaded Di Tian had all evaporated in an instant. His face regained its normal color, after that seeing that the Poison Saint's disciple was so close to him, Di Tian blasted out with two palms, channelling his sealing energy into his opponent's body, sealing away everything.

A moment later, the Poison Saint's disciple's expression grew extremely ugly.

"Since you knew that I took the initiative to challenge you, why would you dare to be so careless?" Di Tian returned his opponent's words back to him. His eyes gleamed sharply as sword qi gushed forth, piercing into the Poison Saint's disciple's body. The disciple coughed out blood and retreated hurriedly while shouting, "I concede!"

With a thunderous boom, as the two words 'I concede' rang out, his body was blasted through the air. Upon slamming on the ground, the Poison Saint's disciple's face was pale. He icily shot a glance at Di Tian before standing up and returning to his original position.

The #5 ranker has appeared.

If things really proceeded according to what Xuanyuan Dipper said, two more people would be eliminated among the other four participants who had yet to fight. This meant that Di Tian has already entered the top three.

This battle seemed to be the most relaxed one for him. But it was precisely because of this battle that he entered the top three.

Di Tian went back to his circle of light and closed his eyes in meditation. The next battle would be the most dangerous one.

Sword Ion's silhouette flashed as he stepped out, choosing to challenge the disciple from the Setting Sun Institute. This scene caused the Purple Yang Immortal Emperor's expression to stiffen. Sword Ion seized the initiative, he had initially also wanted to challenge the Setting Sun Institute's disciple because it was easier compared to fighting against Xuanyuan Dipper. Sword Ion clearly had the same thoughts as him, and was faster than him in his reactions.

The Purple Yang Immortal Emperor was cursing silently. This Sword Ion was truly cunning. While he was still in a daze with regards to the results between Di Tian and the Poison Saint's disciple, Sword Ion instantly stepped out and issued his challenge.

Their battle was exceptionally intense. Sword qi and study scrolls filled the air, illuminating the area with astral light. Numerous sword sages from the primordial era manifested, while the study scrolls seemed to contain the myriad will of the Great Dao, exuding boundless strength. Although quite a few people wanted the Setting Sun Institute's disciple to be their opponent, how could the scholar be weak? The two of them fought frenziedly but ultimately, Sword Ion was the victor.

This battle was the most shocking one from the beginning up until now.

After this battle, the scholar became the #4 ranker.

And following that, Xuanyuan Dipper stepped out, as did the Purple Yang Immortal Emperor. He had to fight even if he didn't want to. This was a matter of honor now.

Another violent clash occurred, the battle was more tyrannical compared to the previous one. However, it was clear both were not evenly matched. Right from the start, Xuanyuan Dipper possessed the advantage and kept suppressing the Purple Yang Immortal Emperor. Eventually, the Purple Yang Immortal Emperor was defeated, Xuanyuan Dipper entered the top three in a dominant fashion.

The remaining three participants were Xuanyuan Dipper of the Xuanyuan Clan, Sword Ion of the Sword Spirit Sect and Di Tian from Lifire City.

The first two didn't cause the spectators to feel any surprise. Xuanyuan Dipper was a supreme genius in Lifelong City and his strength was widely acknowledged. As for Sword Ion, he was already extremely famous long before this and had equal status to the number one governor of Lifelong City's northern city region's, Xiao Yu. But as for Di Tian, he was a mid-stage immortal emperor that no one has heard of before. He actually managed to reach this step. This truly caused everyone to be shocked. What a miracle.

Being able to reach the top three was something that he can already feel extremely proud of. The crowd felt that he wasn't in the top three, but rather, his rank was already fixed at number three. There should be no way for him to defeat any of the other two, right?!

Chapter 1622: Getting Stronger the More Powerful His Opponent Is

Xuanyuan Dipper, Sword Ion, Di Tian. The three of them each stood in a different location.

Two more battles are required and the actual ranking for all top ten would be revealed.

"You can leave now." Sword Ion swept a glance at Di Tian. His eyes gleamed with sharpness, flashing with his sword intent.

Di Tian looked at him. The abilities of this Sword Ion were similar to Xiao Yu. Before this, Qin Wentian had already experienced it when he fought with Xiao Yu. Di Tian coldly smiled and spoke. "You are not my opponent. If you are not willing to get off the platform so early, you can challenge him instead. You might have a chance then."

“Eh...” Everyone was stunned when they heard Di Tian’s words. This fellow was simply too brazen? Sword Ion told him to concede but he actually said that Sword Ion wasn’t a match for him and told him to challenge Xuanyuan Dipper instead. This was simply crazy.

Sword Ion narrowed his eyes, a cold light could be seen flickering within. He stepped out as boundless sword might capable of lacerating everything gushed forth. He stared at Di Tian, “Since you put it this way, I can only show you reality with my actions.”

Di Tian also stepped out. Seems like he still needed to fight.

“Are you prepared?” Sword Ion glanced at Di Tian.

“Make your move.” Di Tian nodded. Sword Ion’s eyes were like sharp swords, directly piercing into Di Tian’s gaze. He waved his hands, causing a sword to manifest as it slashed through the air with the speed of lightning, aiming for Di Tian. The power of this strike was tyrannical to the extreme, even space itself seemed to be cut apart. Although Sword Ion’s words and manner were arrogant, he was truly capable enough to back it up. He wouldn’t show mercy and wanted to finish Di Tian off with a single strike.

Di Tian’s eyes gleamed with a terrifying light, he matched his opponent’s stare, not willing to be in the weaker position. His sword qi transformed into a holy will that was imbued with the power of his soul energy as he clashed against his opponent. Earlier, he dared to say Sword Ion wasn’t his opponent because he understood Sword Ion’s abilities. He was able to counter him. At the very least, in terms of soul power, Sword Ion wouldn’t gain any advantage over him.

As for the surging tyrannical sword might gushing towards him, Di Tian wasn’t worried at all. A terrifying screen of demonic light revolved protectively around him. The attack from Sword Ion slammed into him, breaking his defenses but failing to injure him.

However, after that sword strike, Sword Ion didn’t hesitate. His silhouette flashed and appeared above Di Tian. Wielding his sword with both his hands, he slashed down, causing numerous sword sages to manifest as they rushed Di Tian. The sword aura they exuded created a pressure that bore down on the platform.

Di Tian’s sealing arts were unleashed. A gigantic illusory giant appeared, its eyes shone with sealing light as it stomped towards the sword sages.

“Myriad Soul Sword Art!” Sword Ion’s body turned into a shadow that shot through space. Astral light flashed, his entire person turned illusory, as tens of thousands of sword sages mirrored his actions. These sword sages all unleashed his sword arts, generating boundless amounts of sword might that permeated the area. There was simply no way to hide, Di Tian had to endure this tyrannical attack head-on.

Di Tian’s hands folded ancient seals, the constellation behind him grew brighter and brighter as an increasingly powerful sealing might bore down on everything. The sealing light and sealing diagram expanded, providing Di Tian with torrential amounts of sealing energy which he used to manifest a gigantic palm imprint of divinity that slammed out with ruinous force, sealing away all the sword sages.

“Hmph.” Sword Ion’s gaze turned heavy. A transcendent sword sage from the primordial era appeared before him as he merged together with it. The sword intent radiating from him skyrocketed, sweeping through the battle platform. His entire hair spiked up, resembling sharp swords, radiating an endless flow of sword might.

When Di Tian saw this, the constellation behind him grew even more terrifying. The astral light cascading down from the sky all converged together, forming resplendent swords of the great Dao that hummed with power.

“Go.” Di Tian pointed out. In an instant, ten thousand swords launched forth. These swords of sealings manifested from sealing law attribute energy directly shot through space, piercing themselves into the ground around Sword Ion, locking down the space around him.

Sword Ion’s eyes gleamed with a resplendent sword light. His hair fluttered in the wind as he roared loudly, summoning a burst of sword intent, wanting to break through the sealing swords.

The sealing swords were destroyed, but they seemed endless in number. A few short moments later, the power they radiated actually fused together as one, becoming the power of the Great Dao. They were like a sealing formation formed of swords, the formation then congregated all the sealing might, giving birth to a world of sealing that slowly sapped away at the energy of the sword sage.

Di Tian didn’t slow down. More and more swords of sealing manifested, perfecting the world of sealing. Sword Ion was completely trapped within, he had no way out.

“I said it before. You are not a match for me.” Di Tian calmly spoke and blasted out with his palm. The sword of sealing contracted, causing Sword Iron to pale. Although the sword intent radiating

from him was still incomparably strong, he knew that he had already lost this battle. He couldn't reverse the situation.

"I CONCEDE!" Sword Iron howled, becoming extremely depressed. In an instant, the sharp aura from him actually dulled. The light in his eyes was gone as a blank look could be seen on his face.

A top-tier supreme expert of the Sword Spirit Sect was actually defeated before he even had a chance to unleash his sword arts. This was so shocking that everyone was dumbfounded.

Could it be that this mid-stage emperor from Lifire City wanted to contend for the position of top ranker?

Di Tian waved his hand, the seals dissipated, releasing Sword Ion. Sword Ion was incomparably dispirited.

Di Tian directly turned and stared at Xuanyuan Dipper, "There's still one more battle."

Xuanyuan Dipper stepped out. He had a look of surprise as he stared at Di Tian. He then laughed, "I also didn't expect that at the very end, the person fighting against me would actually be a mid-stage immortal emperor."

"Things in the world are hard to predict. If everything happens according to expectations, wouldn't that be too boring?" Di Tian calmly replied. The spectators all silently agreed. The end result of this battle was truly out of their expectations, but many of them were silently egging Di Tian on. They all liked nothing more than to witness the rise of a genius. If Di Tian became a major character in the Lifelong Realm in the future, this battle he just fought would then become the start of his legend, the legend that propelled him to fame.

However, some people within the crowd had grim looks on their faces. For example, the people of the Lifire Palace, Xia Hou, the Purple Moon Immortal Emperor, etc. They were not happy that things didn't happen according to their expectations.

Given Di Tian's strength, if he was in Lifire City, no one else would be a match for him other than the Lifire Emphyrean.

"Haha, well spoken. Since this is the case, you best be careful about the following battle. I'll make an all-out effort to defeat you." Xuanyuan Dipper stared at Di Tian, releasing his domineering aura.

The resplendent astral light cascaded from the sky and in an instant, terrifying gales appeared around Xuanyuan Dipper, capable of ripping through everything. The violent wind energies actually became a supreme protection ability, invulnerable and impenetrable.

The sealing might in the atmosphere was still present from the time he duelled Sword Ion. Right now, he made use of his constellation and slashed out with the swords of sealing.

Xuanyuan Dipper pushed out with his palm. His entire being glowed with a golden light and an instant later, all varieties of divine weapons appeared in the air, clashing against the swords of sealing. The impact of the collision caused the weapons of both sides to shatter, giving rise to a burst of blinding light between the two of them.

A rumbling sound shook the space. Di Tian saw Xuanyuan Dipper unleashing a chain of golden fist imprints that gathered the power of the divine weapons within them. This attack could crush heaven and earth, sweeping through all obstacles with impunity.

“Burning Rebellion!” Di Tian’s bloodline powers started to churn as a terrifying demonic qi filled the area. Xuanyuan Dipper’s attack was too strong, capable of destroying his swords of sealing. He had to resist it with the entirety of his strength. Upon activating his bloodline, his aura immediately climbed up, causing everyone spectating to be stunned. How many trump cards did this fellow have? He was growing stronger upon meeting stronger opponents.

Di Tian also punched out, but the power of his fist imprints was augmented by supreme demons instead of divine weapons. The two streams of fist imprints then clashed with each other as a deafening bang echoed out, causing spatial cracks to appear. A powerful sealing might from Di Tian’s attacks gushed into Xuanyuan Dipper’s body but at the same time, a stream of divine power from the divine weapons of Xuanyuan Dipper, had also invaded Di Tian’s body.

Di Tian’s eyes turned terrifying. The constellation behind him continuously manifested swords of sealing and transformed into its true form, that of a powerful sealing diagram.

Xuanyuan Dipper’s aura was tyrannical to the extreme. With a wave of his hand, a fearsome divine weapon law domain appeared. All the divine weapons he manifested transformed into a terrifying whirlpool that sought to absorb Di Tian, wanting to destroy him.

Di Tian continued folding seals, manifesting sealing gates. This time, it was no longer just a single gate of sealing, but a row of them

After that, Di Tian pressed his palms together, fusing all the sealing gates together, forming a gigantic true gate of sealing. The boundless sealing light radiating from it easily sealed away the power of the whirlpool threatening him.

“RUMBLE~” A thunderous sound echoed out. Di Tian sent the gate of sealing flying towards Xuanyuan Dipper. Xuanyuan Dipper roared thunderously and cleaved out with his Sky Decimation Great Axe, yet it was also sealed away by the true gate of sealing. Regardless of the attacks used, there seemed to no way to destroy the gate.

Xuanyuan Dipper had a grim look on his face as he retreated with explosive speed. However, he only saw Di Tian stretching out his hand. With an intention of his will, the giant sealing gate was fixed on the gigantic palm of divinity from before. At the next instant, the palm shot out with explosive speed towards Xuanyuan Dipper, not giving him any opportunity to flee!

Chapter 1623: The Realmlord's Reward

That terrifying palm was like the hand of a god, capable of destroying everything. It emitted power of the Great Dao. That giant sealing gate had the ability to seal away everything and when the countless number of divine weapons blasted towards the palm imprint, they were all swallowed into a different dimension and sealed off. Nothing could block it.

Xuanyuan Dipper could only retreat with lightning speed. However, at this moment, the shadow of a great roc appeared behind Di Tian, spreading its wings, granting him immense speed. Di Tian traversed through space, the palm imprint easily caught up to Xuanyuan Dipper, enveloping him within.

Xuanyuan Dipper roared, a boundless slaughter intent gushed forth as countless divine weapons manifested, slamming frenziedly against the giant palm imprint. That palm imprint was like a bottomless pit, capable of sealing all existences, capable of annihilating gods and buddhas. It mercilessly smashed towards Xuanyuan Dipper.

Xuanyuan Dipper's protective ability was unleashed to the max, it contained an incomparably terrifying destructive laceration might that could tear everything into pieces. When the palm imprint came in contact with it, that seemingly invincible palm actually started to crumble. But not only that, Xuanyuan Dipper's protective ability clearly grew weaker as well.

At this moment, Di Tian actually slammed out another palm imprint. Xuanyuan Dipper felt despair when he saw this. He could only sigh and softly speak, "I've lost."

As the sound of his voice faded, the second palm imprint halted in the air before disappearing. Di Tian's silhouette flashed, returning to his original location as he nodded to Xuanyuan Dipper, "I won by luck."

"A victory is a victory, there's no need to save face for me. In truth, you are only at the mid-stage, from a certain perspective, I've already lost right at the start. This isn't a fair battle at all. I'm really curious about who you are." Xuanyuan Dipper straightforwardly spoke. He had always believed himself extraordinary and felt that his talent was very high. He can be considered among the strongest individuals at the peak-stage of the immortal emperor realm within the Xuanyuan Clan. Even in the entire Lifelong City, not many immortal emperors could defeat him. Only a few supreme ones could stand equal to him.

He truly didn't expect that he would be defeated by a mid-stage immortal emperor.

"Di Tian, Lifire City."

Di Tian calmly answered, not saying anything more. Overly being humble would be considered an extreme form of arrogance. Since he was the victor, there was no need for him to say too much.

As Xuanyuan Dipper had lost, this mini-competition finally concluded. The earlier quiet crowd all burst into excited discussions. The protective light barrier disintegrated as the formation was no longer needed. They were all staring up at the masked figure on the platform, feeling admiration and disbelief in their hearts. A mid-stage immortal emperor actually became the top ranker. This was truly a miracle.

Even Xuanyuan Dipper and Sword Ion lost to him respectively. Regardless of his identity, as long as he could become the top ranker, it meant that there was no luck involved. Everything depended on his absolute strength.

This meant that this Di Tian of Lifire City, he who was a mid-stage immortal emperor, was already standing at the peak of the immortal emperor realm. It was very difficult for anyone to contend against him.

"Grandpa, he got the top ranker's position!" Jialan Qiuyue's beautiful eyes flickered with a smile, as though she was the one who has gotten the first position. Jialan Yuntian sighed in his heart, he

couldn't help but to silently admire at how fearsome Di Tian was. A mid-stage immortal emperor who had already stood at the peak-stage due to his weaponsmithing abilities. But now, it was discovered that even in his martial path, Di Tian also stood at the peak of the immortal emperor realm. Even if it was he himself, he wouldn't be a match for Di Tian.

However, if this was before, he would definitely feel very excited. But now, he only felt a large rock in his heart. Without first being clear of Di Tian's actual motives, he would never feel at ease.

"Not bad, who would have thought that Grandmaster Di Tian would have such a high level of talent. Our Jialan Clan doesn't even have anyone in the top ten. How regretful." Jialan Yunhai spoke.

"Make sure that we maintain our good relationship with Di Tian." Jialan Jiangshan instructed. Jialan Yuntian nodded with a heavy look on his face.

Over at the Lifire Palace's location, the Lifire Emphyrean had an unsightly expression on his face. This grandmaster, who had chosen to side with the Jialan Clan, actually displayed such startling talent today. Why didn't Di Tian chose to stand with him?

When he thought of this, he shot a cold glance at Xia Hou, causing Xia Hou to shiver as his face turned pale. The Lifire Emphyrean was blaming him? Using him to vent his anger?

Xia Hou felt a chill in his heart as he stared at Di Tian on the platform. This bastard was actually so strong.

Beauty Xiao at the side had a smile on her face. The look in her eyes was extremely soul-stirring, shining with light. She didn't expect Di Tian to be so powerful. Most probably, Di Tian's strength wasn't any weaker when compared to Qin Wentian.

The Realmlord stroked his beard and smiled. He stared at Di Tian and spoke, "A supreme genius has appeared in my Lifelong Realm. To think that the most outstanding character in the battles today, is actually a mid-stage emperor. This has truly broadened my horizons. Di Tian of Lifire City, right?"

"That's junior alright." Di Tian nodded.

“I said it before. The top ten would all receive rewards today. As for you, I’ve naturally already prepared it. But after seeing your performance, I decided to ask you instead if you have any request? What kind of reward do you want?” The Realmlord smiled at Di Tian.

“Junior has a presumptuous request, I don’t know if should I speak up or not.” Di Tian replied.

“Feel free to speak with no worries.” The Realmlord nodded.

“Although junior obtained the top ranking today due to my talent in the martial path, but in truth, I’ve always been more interested in weaponsmithing. In addition, I’ve established a power named Emperor Pavilion in Lofire City. The main objective is to forge weapons before auctioning or transacting them away. However, in the midst of my development, I encountered many obstructions. In fact, the governor’s manor even made things difficult for me multiple times with no reason. This truly cause junior to feel pain in my heart.”

Di Tian slowly spoke, and as the sound of his voice faded, Xia Hou felt his body trembling as his countenance paled. This bastard, was he trying to make a complaint to the Realmlord?

“Oh? Something like that actually happened? A governor of Lofire City did this? How did he make things difficult for you?” The Realmlord asked.

“In the past, a certain governor of Lofire City told me that I have to forge weapons solely for him and kept making things difficult for me when I refused. At that time, mysterious sources of powers created trouble daily at my Emperor Pavilion, the governor’s manor didn’t give a damn about it, almost causing my Emperor Pavilion to be closed down. Now that I look back in hindsight, I couldn’t help but to feel fear. In any case, this junior isn’t here to make a complaint, I only hope that I can focus my efforts on properly developing the Emperor Pavilions and won’t encounter any more unreasonable difficulties.” Di Tian politely spoke.

When he heard this, Xia Hou wanted nothing more than to tear Qin Wentian apart. This, wasn’t this clearly a complaint?

The Lofire Emphyrean narrowed his eyes. Although Di Tian’s words didn’t implicate him directly, but as long as the Realmlord thought deeper, it was easy for him to connect the dots. Was Di Tian doing this intentionally or not?

“You already have such talent in the martial path, yet you still say that you are more interested in weaponsmithing? Your words might have mocked many unknowingly.” The Realmlord laughed.

Everyone nodded silently in response. This fellow knew how to posture too much, yet he did so with such a straight-face. However, those from Lifire City knew that Di Tian's weaponsmithing capabilities were truly extremely strong as well.

"This time around, I should have rewarded you heavily. But since you brought this matter up, I'll help you settle everything. From this moment onwards, within my Lifelong Realm, the development of your Emperor Pavilion shall be smooth and unimpeded. If there's someone who dares to make trouble, you can directly look for the Lifire Emphyrean. In addition, to compensate for the suffering you endured, your Emperor Pavilion has no need to pay any tax forever." The Lifelong Realmlord calmly spoke. His words causing the hearts of many major powers here to tremble. As expected of the Realmlord, what a heavy reward this was.

A single sentence from him guaranteed that the Emperor Pavilion would face no obstacles no matter how it expanded. Also, it was exempted from paying contributions. For the Emperor Pavilion now, the ten-yearly and hundred-yearly contributions might not be considered much. But what about thousand-yearly and ten thousand-yearly? What if the Emperor Pavilion became a supreme first-tier power? The amount of contributions then would be at an astronomical amount. This sentence far exceeded the reward Di Tian ought to have gotten in the first place. But naturally, it was still considered nothing much to the Realmlord. As long as the Realmlord was happy, this bit of contributions was considered nothing but a single hair from the bodies of nine oxen.

This Di Tian, was truly intelligent.

Jialan Yuntian's expression turned stiff when he heard that. With the Realmlord as his backer, even if Di Tian fell out with them, the Jialan Clan wouldn't dare to do anything to make things difficult for him. This can be considered a death-avoiding token.

"Also, I'll give you the title, supervisory commander of Lifire City. In the future, if a thing like you mentioned happens again, if the governor manors have the audacity to make things difficult intentionally for people below them and neglect their proper duties, you can directly report this to the Lifire Palace Lord. If the Lifire Emphyrean won't handle it, you can report it up to the Lifelong Saint Hall."

The Realmlord spoke again, his words causing everyone to be stunned. Right now, Xia Hou's face was extremely ugly. With this sentence from the Realmlord, all the governors in Lifire City had to tread carefully around Di Tian and not offend him. If not, if he found out about the slightest misdeeds, he might jump over the Lifire Emphyrean and report directly to the Lifelong Saint Hall. This authority was truly transcendent.

“Seems like the Realmlord is treating Di Tian so well because he wants to use him in the future. The Realmlord is paving a path of development for Di Tian by granting him the position of the Supervisory Commander now.” Everyone was very clear that this meant Di Tian would become a major character in the Lifelong Realm in the future.

“After today, Di Tian’s future is boundless.”

Many people felt high hopes about Di Tian’s future. His performance today has already gained the Realmlord’s attention. In the future, as long as his cultivation base made a breakthrough, he would surely soar up into the skies, becoming a major character in the Lifelong Realm.

Jialan Yuntian felt another rush of impact. He himself didn’t know what the situation would be like after Di Tian returned to Lifire City. Right now, most probably that even for the Lifire Emphyrean, he would have to be extremely courteous to Di Tian.

“Many thanks, Realmlord.” Di Tian bowed.

“In that case, do you accept this?” The Realmlord smiled.

“Di Tian naturally wouldn’t let down the high hopes your lordship has for me.” Di Tian smiled. If he rejected such a good deal, he would have to be a retard. The words spoken by the Lifelong Realmlord earlier was sufficient for him to do whatever he wanted to in Lifire City. No one would dare to offend him.

Chapter 1624: Battle between the World Palaces

The truth had also verified everyone’s guess. Among the top ten, other than Di Tian, although the other nine received rewards as well, none of them received the preferential treatment Di Tian received. Even Xuanyuan Dipper had never received such treatment before.

What sort of character was the Realmlord? He is the overlord of this boundlessly vast realm, someone who stands at the absolute peak. He himself was already a supreme character, what geniuses has he not seen before? So what if you are a supreme-tier immortal emperor? It’s already a matter of great honor that you could obtain his rewards. There definitely wouldn’t be many people who can receive his admiration.

This Di Tian suppressed all the participants with his cultivation base at the mid-stage of the immortal emperor realm and obtained first in the rankings. He was also a grandmaster weaponsmith. No wonder the Realmlord treated him so differently. If he didn't use such a talent, who else could he use?

After that battle, Di Tian's name will definitely resound through the entire Lifelong City. In fact, it was possible that his fame might even spread to all the territories controlled by the nine world palace lords, especially for the Lifire Palace, they would definitely get this news and the commotion that would be caused would surely not be a little one.

After receiving their rewards, all of the participants returned to their seats. Di Tian returned to the Jialan Clan's location. Jialan Qiuyue was smiling widely at him, "Grandmaster Di, you truly hid extremely deeply."

She purposely emphasized on the word 'Grandmaster.' Her eyes shone with a bright smile, beautiful and lascivious, extremely soul-stirring.

"I've never hidden at all." Di Tian laughed and sat down. Jialan Yuntian wasn't as excited as the others. His heart sank but he still maintained a smile on his face as he spoke, "Grandmaster Di, after this battle, the Emperor Pavilion will soar into the sky. In the future, if you need our Jialan Clan's help, just feel free to speak."

Before this, the Jialan Clan wanted to control Di Tian. But now, they naturally wouldn't dare to have such thoughts. From now on, no one could control Di Tian. The Lifelong Realmlord had already spoken so clearly, not even the Lifire Empyrean would dare to do anything to Di Tian.

"Mhm, since this is the case, I would have to trouble the Jialan Clan in the future." Di Tian naturally understood the intentions in Jialan Yuntian's words, he also sensed the slight change in Jialan Yuntian's attitude when he was facing him. But even so, he pretended that nothing has happened, like he didn't know anything.

"No worries, our Jialan Clan and Grandmaster Di are already so close. In addition, there's also a layer of connection from this little lass Qiuyue." Jialan Yuntian laughed, his words causing Jialan Qiuyue's beautiful eyes to flash. She stared at Jialan Yuntian, "Grandpa, what nonsense are you talking about."

"Oh? Earlier, who was the one who stood up in excitement, ignoring her face as the young miss of our Jialan Clan?" Jialan Yuntian laughed, causing Jialan Qiuyue to blush. She, who was already

originally beautiful, had a certain charm to her now when she blushed. She even shot a gaze filled with mock resentment at Jialan Yuntian.

Di Tian smiled. This Jialan Yuntian wanted to stick with him, using Jialan Qiuyue as an obvious opening gambit. His intent couldn't be any clearer.

“Seeing the glory of the immortal emperors of my Lifelong Realm, this seat feels truly gratified in my heart. Let me toast all the heroes here.” The Realmlord lifted his cup and laughed. A moment later, everyone raised their cups back and had smiles on their faces as they drank the wine.

“Although the battles earlier might have been fascinating, the true transcendent-level immortal emperors of our Lifelong Realm have yet to act. Does everyone feel that this is right?” An elder laughed. He was the leader of a major power, an existence on equal grounds compared to the palace lords. He was at the empyrean realm.

“That's right, things would be much more fascinating if those experts had participated.” Someone else supported.

“If those emperors had joined, I'm afraid only a relative few in the top ten would still be able to remain.”

Everyone laughed, they naturally understood the elder's words. In the battles earlier, many immortal emperors had chosen not to participate and many were transcendent-level emperors. For example, those immortal emperors that reported directly to the Lifelong Realmlord, didn't participate earlier at all.

“Haha, seems like you guys want nothing more than to see their strength.” The Realmlord laughed.

Those people nodded their heads. Someone among them spoke. “Realmlord, things should be even more fascinating if those people fought. It has been so for every one of the past grand banquets.”

“Realmlord, please allow us to broaden our horizons.”

“Sure.” The Realmlord laughed and nodded. “My Lifelong Realm consists of several boundless territories. Other than Lifelong City, the other territories are managed on my behalf by the world palace lords, which led to the Lifelong Realm being increasingly prosperous. I would only gather

everyone here once every hundred years. We might as well take the chance to see the strength of elites of our realm. The palace lords should have no objections, right?"

The world palace lords all spoke out at the same time, "We will comply with Realmlord's orders."

"Mhm, although you guys understand the strength of your subordinates well, you all can take this chance to see the disparity in strength level between the world palaces. It can also be an impetus to cause your subordinates to increase their strength, to better manage the territories under you all." The Realmlord then continued, "Come, all the governors and monarchs of the Nine World Palaces can participate. Let me see the glory of this generation's heroes."

"Yes, Realmlord!" Many people roared in excitement. To those strong experts, they knew their chance to perform has come. If they could leave a good impression on the Lifelong Relamlord, their future would definitely be extraordinary. As for those weaker ones, they felt some trepidation. After all, experts were as common as clouds under the world palace lords, if they failed, they would lose face and might even be replaced.

"I'm sure everyone already knows the rules. The world palace lords will send their subordinates out. Begin." The Lifelong Realmlord calmly spoke. After that, the world palace lords glanced at each other, their eyes all gleaming with sharpness. This time, it was a competition between the different world palaces. None of them would naturally want to lose face before their peers in front of the Realmlord.

Di Tian sat there quietly. He glanced in the direction of the nine world palaces and saw some experts standing up. After that, nine figures could be seen flying through the air, arriving at the central towering platform where he fought earlier.

These nine world palaces would send different experts to fight each other multiple times to see who would be victorious and their rankings would be determined at the end.

The one from Lifire City was actually the Jialan Monarch.

"He is planning to give up the first battle, right?" Di Tian's eyes flashed. Although the Jialan Monarch was a supreme immortal emperor and could fight peak-stage immortal emperors while at the mid-stage as well, it has to be known that the other immortal emperors from the world palaces were not ordinary ones. Their cultivation bases were all already higher, at the peak-stage, and their combat prowess was extraordinary as well. With regards to the Jialan Monarch, he was already at a disadvantage considering his cultivation base.

“Desolate Heaven Palace, Mo Kaishan, governor of Desolate Heaven City.”

“Xuanyuan Palace, Monarch Xuanyuan Yu.”

“...”

The participants reported their names and origins. These nine experts each stood in a different location and started to take turns fighting.

For the first battle, Governor Mo Kaishan of Desolate Heaven City challenged the Jialan Monarch right away, as though wanting to bully the Jialan Monarch for having a lower cultivation base. Although the Jialan Monarch was strong, he couldn't endure Mo Kaishan's domineering attacks and was directly defeated.

For the second battle, Xuanyuan Yu also challenged the Jialan Monarch. This caused everyone to be stunned. Seems like this was truly a case of bullying the one with the weakest cultivation base. The end result naturally was that Xuanyuan Yu was victorious.

For the next battles, the crowd speechlessly discovered that everyone chose to challenge the Jialan Monarch. This caused the people of the Jialan Clan to feel a loss of face. The Lifire Emperian also had a dark look on his face. The immortal emperors of the other world palaces didn't want to give any face to his Lifire Palace at all.

For this battle, he sent the Jialan Monarch because he wanted the Jialan Clan to lose face. It can be considered that he was throwing away the first round of battles. But even so, he didn't expect things would be so face smacking. Now, it wasn't simply the Jialan Clan losing face. Even he had lost face as well.

The battles here all stopped once the victor is determined. They didn't injure the Jialan Monarch. The rules also allowed them to challenge the same people. Hence, the ending was that the Jialan Monarch lost all eight battles and was eliminated. The Lifire Palace was now at the bottom of the rankings, having lost all face but the Jialan Monarch still had to stand at the boundary of the platform to watch the battles of others.

The Realmlord cast a glance at the Jialan Clan's direction but he instantly shifted it away.

The battles continued. Such chaotic fights naturally would be fascinating. This was especially so when supreme experts of the Desolate Heaven Palace, Xuanyuan Palace and Skyair Palace fought. Their battles were heaven-shaking and their strength seemed to exceed the top three of the previous competition.

Ultimately, Mo Kaishan of the Desolate Heaven Palace won eight victories and was ranked first.

The supreme immortal emperor of the Skyair Palace won seven victories and obtained the second ranking.

The supreme immortal emperor of the Xuanyuan Palace won six victories and obtained the third ranking.

The Lifire Palace was ranked last. Right from the start of the first battle, Di Tian could already see clues stating the strength level of the experts from the nine world palaces. Other than the strength of their respective emperors, the strength of their subordinates can be an indicative factor too.

The first round of battles was concluded, the nine emperors returned to their original locations as another nine experts flew over and started the second round. Similarly, the rules were the same, the ranking would be determined based on the number of victories one obtained.

The second round of battles were similarly violent and fascinating. Di Tian didn't recognize the experts from the other world palaces, but the Lifire Palace actually sent out the Central Governor Xia Hou. Xia Hou was tyrannical and proud but his combat prowess was undoubtedly strong. He could be classified as a supreme immortal emperor. At the end, he managed to win four victories and was ranked #5. With this ranking, although it was nothing glorious, he didn't cause the Lifire Palace to lose any face.

For the second round, the Skyair Palace obtained first ranking with a total of eight victories. The battles that occurred were naturally explosive and extremely intense.

As the battles continued, everyone fell into its rhythm and spectated earnestly while they discussed.

"This time, the Lifire Palace is in for it. It's most probably impossible for them to get first." Jialan Qiuyue spoke in a low voice. It was very difficult to get first, a world palace had to have an existence capable of suppressing the transcendent-level immortal emperors. Sadly, the Lifire Palace didn't have such a character.

“This is also very normal. The Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and Xuanyuan Palace are all extremely powerful. The immortal emperors from there would naturally be stronger as well. The Lifire Palace would find it as tough as ascending to the heavens if they wanted to obtain first. They don’t have a governor or monarch strong enough to suppress all the other supreme and transcendent-level emperors.” Jialan Yuntian spoke.

“Do you feel that that governor who didn’t come, would he be able to achieve it?” Jialan Qiuyue suddenly thought of that handsome and arrogant northern governor Qin Wentian as she asked.

Chapter 1625: The Miserable Lifire Palace

Jialan Yuntian naturally knew who that person Jialan Qiuyue was referring to. In truth, the reason why they shifted Ye Qianyu from the Lifire Jail, was also because of that person. Although the Lifire Palace had tried to hide news about Ye Qianyu, it was evident such things wouldn’t be easily hidden. After these people returned to Lifire City, news about Ye Qianyu should reach that person’s ears.

As for that governor that was stopped by the Lifire Emphyrean from coming, Jialan Yuntian naturally knew how strong he was. That man killed several peak-stage immortal emperors at the Ancient River Auction House with just a cultivation base at the mid-stage, creating a huge commotion throughout Lifire City, incomparably glorious. Given his talent, he should be able to hold himself against the other experts in this battlefield.

Jialan Yuntian couldn’t help but to compare Di Tian and that governor. Di Tian, a peak-level weaponsmith grandmaster with a peak-level combat prowess, obtaining the position of the top ranker for the martial-path competition. It felt like Di Tian was a hair more outstanding compared to that person.

“Even if it’s that person, he might not be able to accomplish it. For that battle that occurred in the Ancient River Auction House in the past, although he killed many peak-stage immortal emperors, they were still ordinary immortal emperors after all. As for these experts before our eyes, they are the leading transcendent-level immortal emperors from the nine world palaces. All of them have absolute strength. As the central governor, is Xia Hou powerful? But with all his strength, he only managed to obtain the #5 ranking here. From this, one can tell how terrifying this battlefield is.”

Jialan Yuntian spoke in a low voice. The battle between the nine world palaces was much more intense compared to the competition earlier. All of the emperors participating now were definitely true elites.

“Big brother, who are you all talking about?” Jialan Yunhai, who was at the side, laughed.

“There’s one more governor in Lifire City. The Lifire Emyrean captured Ye Qianyu because he wanted to control that governor to deal with our Jialan Clan. This time around, we shifted Ye Qianyu over here because we wanted that governor to have conflict with the Lifire Emyrean.” Jialan Yuntian transmitted his voice over in response.

“For a mere governor? Is he that powerful?” Jialan Yunhai curiously asked. Lifire City already has a Grandmaster Di Tian. There’s also a similarly powerful governor?

“He’s very powerful. With a mid-stage immortal emperor cultivation base, he killed tens of peak-stage immortal emperors in a battle. As for how strong he is exactly, I have no idea. He has never unleashed his true strength before.”

“Interesting.” Jialan Yunhai laughed. “With your judgement, which world palace do you think will get the highest rank?”

“If there are no unexpected situations, things should be the same as the past. The Desolate Heaven Palace will probably place the first. After all, they are the strongest world palace and has obtained the first ranking for the past three hundred years.” Jialan Yuntian spoke in a low voice.

“That’s right. The Desolate Heaven Palace is too strong. Leaving aside that the Desolate Heaven Palace Lord is the strongest out of the empyreans, he also has very strict requirements with regards to his subordinates. The governors and monarchs under him would first have to have peak-level combat prowess, they have to be personally tested by him. If stronger individuals appeared, they would all be replaced. Under such a competitive environment, his subordinates would naturally be stronger than the others.”

“However, that disciple of the Realm Lord seemed to be very unhappy with him. This time around, that person must have come here prepared, intending on showing the Desolate Heaven Palace who’s the strongest one.” Jialan Yunhai laughed.

“The Skyair Palace’s performance this time around is truly dazzling. The Xuanyuan Palace isn’t weak as well.”

“The Gemini Palace and Dragonsaddle Palace also aren’t here to play around. Look at the experts they sent out, all of them are very powerful. Seems like the Lifire Palace, Kanwater Palace and Gengmetal Palace are the weakest.” Jialan Yuntian laughed. These three world palaces have the shakiest foundations, the positions of their palace lords aren’t that stable as well.

Their Jialan Clan has always been eyeing the position of the Lifire Palace Lord. However, for the Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and the other world palaces, they didn’t dare to covet them at all. Even for the Dragonsaddle, Gemini and Scarlet Origin Palace, the Jialan Clan didn’t dare to target them.

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The battles continued, one round after the other, all extremely intense.

For this competition between the nine world palaces, each palace could select fourteen experts to participate and all of them were either governors or monarchs under the empyreans. Hence, there would be fourteen rounds of battle.

When the eighth round ended, the Desolate Heaven Palace already had three #1 ranks, two #2 ranks, two #4 rank, one #5 rank. Such a terrifying achievement undoubtedly proved their strength as the number one palace. The second place currently was the Skyair Palace, followed by the Xuanyuan, Gemini and Dragonsaddle Palaces.

The Lifire Empyrean’s expression kept sinking, turning extremely unsightly. Although he already knew it wasn’t optimistic to get a high ranking for this competition, he still didn’t expect that his Lifire Palace would perform so badly. The performance this time was even worse compared to the past. In this situation where the Realmlord was watching, how could he still bring himself to smile? He could only have a heavy look on his face.

In addition, Di Tian had already snatched the limelight before this, obtaining the first ranking in the martial-path competition with a mid-stage emperor cultivation base. It would be strange if the Lifire Palace felt happy.

The battles continued on and halfway during the ninth round, the Lifire Empyrean spoke out.

“Zhuge Xiong, you will participate in the next round and see if you can obtain the first ranking.” The Lifire Empyrean spoke in a low voice to the grand governor of his Lifire City. As the grand governor, he was the direct head of the other five city governors. Zhuge Xiong’s strength was naturally extremely powerful.

“Your subordinate will do my best.” Zhuge Xiong replied.

The Lifire Empyrean nodded his head. He glanced in the Realmlord’s direction, there was no change to the Realmlord’s expression and he still had a smile on his face when he watched the competition between his subordinates. This competition between the nine world palaces could be considered as the Realmlord reviewing the strength of his troops. The Realmlord would naturally pay more attention to this, compared to the marital-path competition earlier. After all, the nine world palaces and their subordinates were naturally the people whom the Realmlord depended on the most.

After the ninth round, the first ranking went to the Gemini Palace. That governor of the Gemini Palace was truly extremely powerful. Right now, the Gemini Palace already has two #1 rankings under their belt. They were on par with the Skyair Palace, causing many people to be surprised.

As the nine experts went down, another nine experts went up the platform. For the Lifire Palace, Zhuge Xiong was the one representing it.

The Lifire Empyrean arranged Zhuge Xiong to appear in the tenth round because he wanted to catch the other palaces off guard. The other world palaces tried their best to get a good ranking at the start and the experts they sent out in the later rounds, should naturally be weaker ones. This was why he sent out his grand governor at this time.

However, as the battles unfolded, the Lifire Empyrean’s expression soon drastically changed. Clearly, for the other four world palaces that didn’t manage to obtain a single #1 ranking, all of them had the same thoughts as him, sending out their most powerful individual for this round. Eventually, Zhuge Xiong was defeated by a supreme immortal emperor from the Scarlet Origin Palace. That immortal emperor was extremely powerful, the strongest emperor in the Scarlet Origin Palace.

And as expected, the #1 ranking for the tenth round was seized by the Scarlet Origin Palace.

Right now, only the Lifire, Kanwater and Gengmetal Palace has not managed to obtain any #1 ranking. The expression of the three palace lords were all extremely unsightly. Only four rounds of battles were left. If they couldn’t even get a single #1 ranking out of the fourteen rounds of battles,

that would truly be extremely embarrassing. Things would be better if they could at least get one #1 ranking.

Zhuge Xiong got down the platform, he came to the Lifire Empyrean's side and bowed, "Your subordinate has disappointed the high hopes palace lord had for me."

The Lifire Empyrean waved his hands, "This can't be blamed on you. Return to your seat."

Zhuge Xiong nodded, he felt a little depressed. He was actually defeated. He went up for this round hoping to get the #1 ranking.

"Palace lord." The Purple Moon Immortal Emperor and the other handmaiden of the Lifire Empyrean both looked at him with furrowed brows. With the failure of this round, it should now be extremely tough for the Lifire Palace to obtain first in the overall rankings.

"Yin Qiu, go on up." The Lifire Empyrean waved his hand. For the eleventh round of battle, Yin Qiu only managed to get the #6 ranking, it was a very bad ranking. As for the #1 ranking, it was obtained by the Kanwater Palace. The Lifire Empyrean glanced at the Kanwater Empyrean. The gloominess on the face of the Kanwater Empyrean had completely dissipated, replaced by a radiant smile. He was happily praising his subordinate who obtained the #1 ranking. He had at the very least, managed to obtain one #1 ranking, and things wouldn't be so embarrassing for him now.

The expressions of the Lifire Empyrean and Gengmetal Empyrean grew uglier and uglier. The two of them were left, they were the only two who have yet to obtain a #1 ranking and was now extremely conspicuous.

For the twelfth and thirteenth round, the Lifire Empyrean sent out two powerful monarchs for battle but both of them failed. What made the look on the Lifire Empyrean's face grow uglier was the fact that during the thirteenth round, the Gengmetal Palace obtained the #1 ranking. Right now, out of the nine world palaces, only the Lifire Palace has yet to obtain a #1 ranking.

As for the last round, for the sake of face and making it a memorable one for the next hundred years, all the strongest world palaces would definitely seek to do their best. Hence, they would all send out their strongest subordinate for the last round. The Lifire Empyrean understood that his Lifire Palace stood no chance for the last round of battle.

Many people had either sympathetic or mocking looks when they glanced at him. Especially so for those other palace lords, the disdain in their eyes was clear for all to see.

“Ye Kong, You have to win the final round.” The Skyair Emyrean spoke. He then continued speaking to Ye Kong as he cast a glance at the Lifire Emyrean. “You only have a few opponents. After all, some of the other participants for the final round are only there to make up for the numbers.”

As the sound of his voice faded, the look on the Lifire Emyrean’s face grew even more unsightly. But he had no way to refute anything.

“Ye Kong is going to participate? A hundred years ago, he was already a very dazzling character. It’s true that the Lifire Palace’s experts are only here to make up for the numbers.” Some peak powers spoke in a low voice.

“I remember that in the last grand banquet a hundred years ago, the Lifire Palace didn’t manage to obtain any #1 ranking. Who would have thought that things would be the same this time as well?” Jialan Jiangshan mockingly laughed, causing the Lifire Emyrean’s gaze to turn sinister.

The participants from the world palaces started to fly up to the platform. These were mostly transcendent figures, not only did the Skyair Palace send out their strongest character Ye Kong, the Desolate Heaven, Xuanyuan and the other world palaces all sent out their strongest emperor as well. The Lifire Emyrean glanced at them and sighed helplessly in his heart. Beauty Xiao had not participated yet, he glanced at her and spoke in a low voice, “Beauty Xiao, it’s up to you now.”

“Yes, Palace Lord.” Beauty Xiao bowed and flashed a charming smile. She didn’t seem to mind being used to make up for the numbers at all. Being able to contend against the other experts from the world palaces can be considered a good experience. She wouldn’t lose out in any case.

Some people glanced at Beauty Xiao and laughed. “Lifire Palace Lord, are you planning to use the beauty trap to win the #1 ranking for the final round?”

“Hahaha!” Many started laughing. their gazes sweeping towards the sexy figure projected by Beauty Xiao. Beauty Xiao’s expression changed slightly, she frowned but didn’t say anything, and continued to fly towards the platform.

“Beauty Xiao, wait a moment.” At this moment, a voice rang out, causing Beauty Xiao to slow as she halted her steps. Her beautiful eyes turned over, glancing at the person who spoke. After that, her beautiful eyes flashed with a mesmerizing light.

That fellow actually came!

Chapter 1626: Seeking Permission to Fight

In the crowd, a figure stepped out. He was dressed in white and his black hair was as dark as ink.

His eyes were boundlessly deep, shining with starlight. He was extraordinarily handsome and radiated a magnificence that would last through the generations. Just standing there was sufficient for him to give off a transcendent aura. With a glance, one could easily tell that this was not an ordinary character. His bearing was too outstanding.

Beauty Xiao had a smile in her eyes as she stared at the figure who just appeared. The smile on her face grew increasingly radiant.

This fellow really chose the right time to appear. He actually came here. One must know that the Lifire Palace Lord didn't bring him along, intentionally telling him to stay at Lifire City. But he still chose to come and appeared now at such a critical moment.

The Lifire Empyrean's eyes flashed when he looked at the person who appeared. Unhappiness could be seen on his face as his expression turned somewhat cold. This man actually defied his orders and came to Lifelong City of his own volition.

The gazes of people from the Jialan Clan also froze as they looked at the man who just appeared. Jialan Qiuyue's eyes gleamed with sharpness. That arrogant fellow actually truly came here.

"Who is he?" Jialan Yunhai asked.

"Qin Wentian, a governor of Lifire City. He's the figure we were speaking about earlier." Jialan Yuntian replied. This man was precisely none other than Qin Wentian.

At the towering stairway in the direction of the Lifelong Realm, many figures had sharp looks in their eyes. In fact, quite a few governors from Lifelong City were trembling, their auras exploded outwards like they wanted to rush out now. Among them, the number one governor of the northern city regions Xiao Yu, was the one affected the most. His eyes were terrifying, shooting out electric sparks, as a fierce sword intent radiated from him.

“It’s him.” How could Xiao Yu not recognize this man? This was the mysterious challenger who had defeated him domineeringly, causing him to lose all face. To think that he actually came here today.

Among the crowd, there were also people who had personally witnessed the mysterious challenger’s fight in the northern city regions. Many people were mumbling to each other as they discussed, causing the competition between the nine world palaces to come to a temporary halt. The appearance of this man seemed to have affected several people.

“Who are you? How dare you disrupt the competition between the nine world palaces.” A cold voice rang out from Ye Kong of the Skyair Palace, he was already on the towering platform.

“Is the Lifire Palace still intending to fight? If you are not, just retreat. The Lifire Palace is only good for filling up the numbers, it’s of no importance whether you all fight or not.” An expert from the Dragonsaddle Palace mocked, his words causing the Lifire Empyrean’s expression to turn extremely ugly. He stared at Qin Wentian and asked, “I commanded you to stay behind at Lifire City to guard your territory well and to suppress all troubles. Who gave you the guts to come to Lifelong City? How dare you defy my orders!”

Qin Wentian saw the coldness in the Lifire Empyrean’s eyes. He naturally understood that the Lifire Empyrean captured Ye Qianyu because he wanted to control him. But now, Ye Qianyu was already shifted to Lifelong City, if the Lifire Empyrean had no way to control the fate of Ye Qianyu, he would surely be worried that Qin Wentian might try something. Let alone the fact that this event now, was the grand banquet of Lifelong City. The Realmlord was watching everything and if Qin Wentian became another Di Tian, dazzlingly displaying his prowess and attracted the Realmlord’s attention, there would be nothing the Lifire Empyrean could do to him.

The Lifire Empyrean naturally didn’t want to see Qin Wentian slipping out of his control.

“Reporting to Realmlord, I’ve already settled everything back in Lifire City. I heard that the Realmlord had personally set up a grand banquet to welcome the heroes of Lifelong City and Nine World Palaces, I felt curious and envy in my heart and decided to come and take a look. Please pardon me.” Qin Wentian bowed, appearing extremely humble. He then continued, “I didn’t expect that after I arrived here, I saw the experts from the other world palaces bullying our Lifire Palace. I, Qin Wentian, humbly request for palace lord to send me in the place of Beauty Xiao. For this round of battle, your subordinate is willing to fight for our Lifire Palace’s honor.”

Qin Wentian spoke, his words instantly enlightened others on his identity. So, he was a governor of Lifire City and wished to participate in the battle.

However, this governor was just a mid-stage emperor. What could he do? The experts on the towering platform all had mocking expressions. This mid-stage governor simply didn't know what was good for him. As expected, the Lifire Palace was truly only good for filling up the numbers.

"Nonsense. You are just at the mid-stage, stop making a fool out of yourself and come here and sit down. This battle will be handled by Beauty Xiao." The Lifire Emphyrean berated, he didn't want to give Qin Wentian and chance to perform.

"Although your subordinate is not that strong, I can't stand seeing these people humiliating our Lifire Palace. Qin Wentian is seeking permission to participate in this round, Palace Lord, please grant me my wish." Qin Wentian spoke, exuding a heroic manner.

"Lifire Emphyrean, your subordinate is truly interesting." The Skyair Emphyrean calmly spoke.

"Are all governors from the Lifire Palace so weak? In the past rounds, the Lifire Palace only obtained a single #2 ranking. Right now, a mid-stage emperor stepped out to save face for the Lifire Palace, it felt as though the situation would be extremely bad without him. How ridiculous." Someone sarcastically commented.

"Most probably, there's no one else left in the Lifire Palace." The other palace lords were all extremely unhappy by the fact that Qin Wentian disrupted the competition.

"I once challenged four governors in the northern city regions of Lifelong City and I won all four battles. Although no governors from Lifelong City have participated in the competition between the nine world palaces, you guys can ask yourself this question whether you all can win against Lifelong City's governors. How dare you underestimate others and act so arrogantly? So what if I'm a mid-stage immortal emperor. Have you all forgotten the cultivation base of the person who obtained first in the martial competition earlier?"

Qin Wentian flicked his sleeve and domineeringly spoke. Instantly, the eyes of many people gleamed with sharpness. The volume of the discussion among the crowd also grew louder, creating a loud commotion.

"So he is that mysterious challenger who defeated four governors in the northern city regions back then?"

“This man even won against Governor Xiao Yu. He is extremely powerful, I’ve personally witnessed his might.”

Many voices rang out, causing the eyes of everyone to turn sharp. Countless gazes turned to Xiao Yu. Even the people of the Lifire Palace were shocked when they heard that. They all turned to glance at Qin Wentian. This fellow actually already arrived at Lifelong City earlier and had consecutively defeated four powerful governors of Lifelong City, including the number one governor of the northern city regions, Xiao Yu.

Xiao Yu had an ugly expression on his face. The numerous gazes turning towards him caused him to clench his fists tightly, feeling extremely ashamed.

“Do you dare to fight again?” Xiao Yu’s gaze pierced through space as he looked towards Qin Wentian. His gaze flickered with coldness as he stood up. His actions undoubtedly verified that this Qin Wentian was truly the mysterious challenger who had defeated four governors back then.

What was more shocking was the fact that he was actually the only governor from the Lifire Palace with a cultivation base at the mid-stage of the immortal emperor realm.

Why did the Lifire Emphyrean not want to let such an expert fight in the last round of the competition?

“How can it be him?” Jialan Qiuyue froze. Not long ago, Di Tian obtained the top ranking in the martial competition. At that time, she felt that Qin Wentian was definitely inferior to Di Tian. Di Tian was a grandmaster weaponsmith and had displayed shocking talent in the martial path with a cultivation base merely at the mid-stage of the emperor realm.

However, Qin Wentian appeared now and he had defeated four powerful governors of Lifelong City, including Xiao Yu. Before the Jialan Clan came here, they were still discussing about this matter.

That mysterious challenger was actually the arrogant northern governor of Lifire City whom she loathed.

Jialan Yuntian's expression changed as well, feeling extremely shocked. No matter how high he set his sights in the past, he discovered that he had ultimately still underestimated Di Tian, as well as Qin Wentian.

"Bastard!" The Lifire Empyrean cursed silently in his heart. Other than feeling shocked at Qin Wentian's strength, he also felt a sense of unease. This Qin Wentian seemed to have already made his preparations extremely long ago. Today, he would display his prowess before the Realm Lord for sure or he wouldn't have challenged Xiao Yu and the other three governors.

He could already sense that Qin Wentian was gradually walking out of his control.

Xia Hou, Yin Qiu, the Jialan Monarch and the others all had ugly looks on their faces. None of them felt any goodwill towards Qin Wentian and many had conflicts with him.

Only Beauty Xiao felt joy. When she heard the news, the light in her eyes gleamed even brighter when she looked at Qin Wentian. This fellow actually defeated four powerful governors of Lifelong City.

"No need. It's pointless to fight anymore with you. If I've offended Governor Xiao before, please don't hold it against me." Qin Wentian calmly rejected, causing Xiao Yu's expression to turn even more unsightly.

"Palace Lord, Qin Wentian is seeking permission to fight for our Lifire Palace's honor." Qin Wentian bowed towards the Lifire Empyrean.

The Lifire Empyrean glanced at everyone. He saw the Realm Lord looking at him and he understood that if he still didn't allow Qin Wentian to participate in this situation, things would be illogical.

"Qin Wentian, seems like your strength has improved. In that case, go on and win some glory for my Lifire Palace" The Lifire Empyrean's expression changed to a gentler one as he smiled. Since he already made his decision, he might as well go all the way.

"Many thanks, Palace Lord. This subordinate will do my best." Qin Wentian's silhouette flashed as he flew towards the central platform. When he passed by Beauty Xiao, Beauty Xiao's eyes stared charmingly at him as she transmitted her voice, "You are so gutsy."

Qin Wentian didn't reply and passed her by. By defying the Lifire Empyrean's order and coming here, was truly a risky action. The Lifire Empyrean would surely feel unhappy in his heart. Also, since the Lifire Empyrean lost control over Ye Qianyu, he didn't know what attitude the Lifire Empyrean would have when they interacted in the future.

But since he had personally seen Ye Qianyu appearing here, he had to take the risk. Although he had already made some preparations earlier, he was in truth, taking things step by step. Since the Lifire Palace had suffered so miserably, choosing to stand out at this moment was undoubtedly the best opportunity.

When Qin Wentian arrived at the platform, the transcendent-level emperors from the eight other world palaces all turned their gazes towards him. Although earlier they felt contempt for him because of his lower cultivation base, but after they heard he defeated Xiao Yu, they couldn't help but to take him seriously. They were all cursing silently in their hearts. Before this, a mid-stage immortal emperor monster Di Tian had already appeared and obtained first in the martial competition. Right now, another monster appeared in this competition between the nine world palaces? Also, both of these freaks originated from Lifire City. What was going on in Lifire City?

At a remote corner, a group of females could be seen there. Ye Qianyu was among them, she had a radiant light in her eyes and was extremely beautiful at this moment. She simply silently looked at that figure.

"Is it him?" A maiden at the side asked Ye Qianyu in a light voice.

"Mhm, it's him." Ye Qianyu nodded. The fairies of the Red Dust Immortal Palace all gazed at Qin Wentian. So it was this young genius that caused Ye Qianyu to be imprisoned in the Lifire Jail? They all wanted to see how high his talent is.

"What sort of person is he?" Someone asked.

Ye Qianyu blinked, she felt gratified in her heart that Qin Wentian was now still the Qin Wentian she knew. She then broke into a bright smile, "I initially thought that he had changed, I didn't expect him to be as silly as before."

Chapter 1627: Five Consecutive Victories

On the towering platform, nine figures could be seen, each standing in a separate location. Every one of them was an immortal emperor standing at the absolute peak.

This was the last round of battle, the one that everyone would remember. The Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and the other powerful world palaces, all sought to get the first ranking for this final round. They wanted to end things beautifully, hence, the experts they sent out now, would definitely not be weaker compared to the experts they sent out for the first battle.

For this battle, everyone needed to fight with the other eight and the end results would be tabulated to calculate the ranking.

This meant that nothing was left to luck. Everyone would have to fight eight battles, until the last.

The nine experts each reported their positions and name.

Qin Wentian, northern city governor of Lifire City. Very swiftly, everyone clearly knew of his identity and where he came from. The mysterious challenge that caused a storm of commotions was from the northern city regions of Lifire City.

In addition, this northern governor of Lifire City actually defeated the number one governor of Lifelong City's northern city regions Xiao Yu. It does sound a little like irony.

Lifelong City was governed by the Lifelong Saint Hall. The direct subordinates of the Lifelong Saint Hall were definitely true elites. Even if they didn't participate in the competition between the nine world palaces, their statuses would be supreme. It was normal if the weakest governor in Lifelong City was weaker than a governor from the nine world palaces, but Xiao Yu was the number one governor in the northern city regions of Lifelong City. Could he really not be comparable to a subordinate by the Lifire Emphyrean who had lost all face earlier? It shouldn't be the case, right?

Is the number one governor of Lifelong City's northern city regions, Xiao Yu, weak or is the Lifire northern governor Qin Wentian too monstrous?

Most probably, the truth would soon be revealed. They would soon be able to see the strength of this mysterious governor.

“Since Governor Qin of the Lifire Palace has such an amazing battle achievement record here in Lifelong City, let me take the lead and seek guidance from you.” A voice rang out. A monarch from the Gengmetal palace challenged Qin Wentian. Everyone had to fight against everyone. Since this was the case, considering that he was really curious about Qin Wentian’s strength, he might as well take the chance to fight him now at the first battle. He wanted to see how capable this governor from Lifire City is.

“Please.” Qin Wentian calmly spoke. The other seven participants temporarily stepped back, allowing them to have the battlefield. The Gengmetal Palace’s monarch radiated the law energy of metal. Resplendent golden light illuminated the area as astral light fell from his constellation, gently infusing him. In the air, a golden cloud layer formed, it radiated beams of golden light which manifested into golden lances that shot explosively through the air, aiming for Qin Wentian.

Upon sensing the terrifying might, Qin Wentian radiated boundless light. This supreme brilliance was even more dazzling than the light of the sun. Each mote of light from the laws Qin Wentian commanded transformed into a sword of light. The majority of the crowd couldn’t open their eyes in the face of this radiance.

The golden lances clashed against the swords of light. With an explosive boom, the golden lances were overpowered, the swords of light continued slashing forth, crushing the golden cloud layer completely.

Under the radiance from his laws of light, no other law energy could exist.

Qin Wentian’s entire person was basking in the radiance, he was like a divinity of light. His entire person seemed perfect and flawless. Upon stepping out, he punched out as boundless light gathered into a fist of radiance that blasted towards the Gengmetal Palace’s monarch.

The Gengmetal Palace’s monarch gathered his metal law energy to form a gigantic golden fist as he punched out with it. The golden fist arced through the skies, leaving behind a series of fist shadows, colliding against the fist of radiance blasted forth by Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian’s attack only just started now. He moved closer and closer. Every step he took caused the pressure radiating from him to increase. His powerful spirit could cause the wills of others to collapse. He no longer launched a single fist of radiance but chains upon chains of them instead, blotting out the sky. He was like the god of light, in control of everything, illuminating everything under the sky.

A fearsome aura gushed forth from the Gengmetal Palace's monarch. Clones formed from metallic energy appeared behind him. All of them attacked together, the boundless might congregated and formed a fearsome-looking golden ancient shield. It spun around rapidly, attempting to block Qin Wentian's attack.

However, how could one manage to block light? Light is something that's extremely pervasive. Qin Wentian's attacks transformed into curved lines that evaded the shield and continued on, aiming for his opponent's body.

The entire body of the Gengmetal Palace's monarch seemed to be plated in gold. His defense was absurdly strong, the clones formed from his metallic energy all merged together with him, granting him a temporary boost in his defense. Qin Wentian continued to chain his fist of radiance together, causing them to streak through the air, slamming into his opponent in an extremely tyrannical manner.

Under the light, the Gengmetal Palace's monarch had no way to endure for too long. He retreated after sometimes and conceded the match.

The eyes of other participants who were spectating all gleamed with sharpness. From the start until the end, Qin Wentian only used a single kind of attack – the fist of radiance. With a single innate technique, he defeated a supreme immortal emperor from the Gengmetal Palace. From this, one could tell that him defeating Xiao Yu wasn't a matter of luck, he truly had the strength. This caused the expressions of the other participants to turn slightly more heavy.

“Next, which other two participants will fight?” The governor of the Desolate Heaven Palace asked.

“There's no need to waste time. Since I came here for the sake of being number one, I just have to win all eight battles, right? Earlier, many people insulted and humiliated my Lifire Palace. Since I'm up here now, there would be no meaning if my Lifire Palace doesn't get the top ranking.” Qin Wentian's white robes fluttered gently in the wind as he spoke. “So, just let the second battle commence. I'll be here all the way. The monarch from the Kanwater Palace, let's not waste time. Just come at me.”

As the sound of Qin Wentian's voice faded, the crowd was completely stunned. The sharpness in the eyes of the other participants grew more intense. Qin Wentian wanted to conclude this last round straightaway by winning eight battles in a row?

Was he treating them as non-existent?

Before this in the martial competition, even that mid-stage immortal emperor Di Tian, wasn't so brazen, right?

Now, are all transcendent-level mid-stage immortal emperors so arrogant?

On the battle platform, the supreme characters of the Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and Xuanyuan Clan were still present.

However, they were all completely disregarded by Qin Wentian. He was prepared to fight them all, one after the other.

Since the Kanwater Palace's monarch was named, he stepped out with a cold expression on his face. He is a very powerful monarch of the Kanwater Palace, yet Qin Wentian still seemed extremely calm. It was like Qin Wentian didn't even treat him as an opponent.

"In that case, I truly want to seek guidance from Governor Qin. Show me your strength then." The Kanwater Monarch radiated icy energy as frost covered Qin Wentian's surroundings. A stifling coldness suddenly descended on the atmosphere, causing the temperature to plunge.

Qin Wentian's eyes shot out a terrifying light. A pair of phantasm eyes appeared as his phantasm domain enveloped everything. In the next instant, the Kanwater Palace's monarch felt himself being dragged into an eye-technique dimension. Countless Qin Wentian's phantoms could be seen floating in the air, each of them radiating a brilliant radiance of the laws of light as they attacked him.

The expression of the Kanwater Palace's monarch turned ugly. He unleashed a terrifying underworld frost energy, causing ice to form in his surroundings, freezing everything. Qin Wentian's millions of phantoms were frozen solid. This was the power of absolute frost, he was like the frost king of a generation, unexcelled in the world.

"You have no hope." A voice rang out from the void. After that, numerous phantoms of Qin Wentian appeared once more, radiating a brilliant light. Those frozen phantoms all caused the frost energy to dissipate, the glare from the boundless laws of light melted everything. Under the radiance, not only did Qin Wentian's phantoms not lessen in number, they even increased.

The Kanwater Palace's monarch knew this to be an illusion as he had entered Qin Wentian's law domain. But although he knew it was an illusion, he had no way to break it. The ending of this battle seemed to have been already decided.

He was actually trapped by the law domain of a mid-stage immortal emperor.

"Just concede." Boundless swords of light were unleashed, no one could distinguish the real from the illusory ones. The monarch from the Kanwater Palace didn't know which sword would turn into a real sword of slaughter. He was always used to be in a lofty position, a supreme immortal emperor. Yet at this moment, a dispirited expression could be seen on his face. He shook his head and spoke, "I'm defeated."

The law domain dissipated. The Kanwater Palace's monarch stared ahead. Qin Wentian stood there like he has never moved before at all, but he still managed to trap him.

"Were those a reality or illusion?" The Kanwater Palace's monarch asked.

"The truth is false, but the false can be also true." Qin Wentian replied. That Kanwater Palace's monarch nodded and retreated.

The gazes of many stiffened. This battle seemed even more relaxed for Qin Wentian compared to the last one. Qin Wentian had won two more victories.

"Will the Scarlet Origin Palace's governor provide guidance for me?" Qin Wentian continued, challenging one after another. He didn't even need to rest.

The governor from the Scarlet Origin Palace walked out. At this moment, there was a heavy expression on his face as he looked at Qin Wentian. Two world palaces have already been defeated. This undoubtedly proved Qin Wentian's strength, how would he dare to be careless?

The phantasm eye appeared again, there was simply no way to resist the eye-technique dimension from drawing you in. One could only break free by using an overwhelming amount of law energy attacks. However, one must know how powerful Qin Wentian's astral souls are. Although he's at the mid-stage, his law attributes were of a higher-grade and were much more powerful when compared to others. In addition, this eye-technique dimension was a part of the domain he had comprehended. How could it be broken so easily?

Hence, in the eye-technique dimension, the governor from the Scarlet Origin Palace was bombarded by Qin Wentian's endless attacks. He couldn't resist it for long and was easily defeated.

After that, the expert from the Dragonsaddle Palace lost, as did the expert from the Gemini Palace.

The experts from five world palaces all lost consecutively to Qin Wentian.

He won five victories in a row. Qin Wentian had no intentions to halt. Although earlier, there were quite a few experts who obtained the stellar achievements of eight wins and zero losses, no one achieved it in the same manner as Qin Wentian did. He completely ignored the fight between others and wanted to fight the experts of the other eight world palaces continuously without pause.

Before this, many felt it was impossible. But as the battles continued, the defeat of the experts from the five world palaces, caused the hearts of the crowd to shake.

Right now, only the Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and Xuanyuan Palace were remaining. However, these three were the strongest of all the world palaces.

Qin Wentian wanted to win three more battles consecutively against the experts of these three world palaces? It most probably wouldn't be that easy, right?

Chapter 1628: Invincible Posture

The palace lords and their subordinates were all taken aback as they spectated.

Earlier, everyone thought that it was a given for the Lifire Palace to be ranked at the bottom. The participating monarchs and governors of the Lifire Palace were only qualified to make up for the numbers. The eventual winner of the final, most dramatic round naturally would go to one of the three most powerful world palaces.

However, this truly was a dramatic scene, capable of branding itself into the memories of all the spectators. A mid-stage governor from the Lifire Palace had achieved five consecutive victories after he stepped up the platform, crushing his opponents with domineering might in an extremely relaxed manner. It looked like he wouldn't stop until he obtained all eight victories.

The Lifire Empyrean felt extremely conflicted now. He didn't want Qin Wentian to come to Lifelong City because firstly, he didn't want to let him know that Ye Qianyu was already here. Secondly, he didn't want Qin Wentian to display his prowess here and attract the Realmlord's attention so he could feel more secure in his control over Qin Wentian. However, Qin Wentian still came here and not only that, his performance was far more impressive than what the Lifire Empyrean had initially imagined.

Qin Wentian just so coincidentally appeared during the time where the Lifire Empyrean lost the most face and helped the Lifire Palace to gain back some face. He could still remember the mocking looks the other palace lords shot him. If Qin Wentian really could gain eight victories and obtained the top ranking in a domineering fashion, his Lifire Palace would surely gain a lot of face.

Hence, he felt conflicted in his heart. He was wondering how he should treat Qin Wentian in the future.

The look on Xia Hou's face was more sinister than ever before. It was the same for the Jialan Monarch. The insignificant character in the past was now so much stronger than him. Not only for the two of them, the Crow Emperor was present here as well, seated behind the Lifire Empyrean. He had an ugly look on his face. Those years ago, it was precisely him who acted against Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu. If Qin Wentian really managed to come into power, it would surely be a bad thing for him.

The people of the Jialan Clan were frowning as well. Back then, Jialan Yuntian invited Qin Wentian to Jialan Qiuyue's birthday banquet and wanted to sue for peace. However, Qin Wentian actually replied that as long as the Jialan Monarch didn't die, it was impossible for them to have peace. This was why the Jialan Clan shifted Ye Qianyu away from the Lifire Jail. They wanted conflict to occur between Qin Wentian and the Lifire Empyrean. Now, it can be considered that their plan had succeeded. There truly was conflict between Qin Wentian and the Lifire Empyrean now and both were on guard against each other. Qin Wentian even openly defied the Lifire Empyrean's order and came to Lifelong City.

However, Jialan Yuntian wasn't as happy as he thought he would be. Because, Qin Wentian's performance was just too outstanding, even surpassing that of Di Tian. It was very possible that he would gain the Realmlord's recognition and favor.

Right now on the platform, only experts from the Desolate Heaven Palace, Skyair Palace and Xuanyuan Palace remained, blocking Qin Wentian from his quest to obtain the top ranking.

Qin Wentian turned his gaze to the Xuanyuan Palace's governor as he spoke, "Please guide me."

Before this, Di Tian had fought with Xuanyuan Dipper of the Xuanyuan Clan. This governor of the Xuanyuan Palace was also of the Xuanyuan Clan. The types of law attributes he was proficient in, should be similar to Xuanyuan Dipper.

The Xuanyuan Palace's governor stepped out, staring at Qin Wentian. In an instant, an extremely sharp aura gushed forth as a fearsome law domain of divine weapons formed. Divine weapons could be seen blotting out the area, their power converging together and transforming into a fearsome vortex that could destroy everything.

The Xuanyuan Clan controls the largest auction house and transaction grounds of the Lifelong Realm. They had many grandmaster weaponsmiths within their ranks and the law attributes they were proficient in were usually of the control type. The Xuanyuan Clan's members were like kings of all weapons, able to control any kind of divine weapon and transformed that into their own attack.

The vajra holy will radiated from Qin Wentian. Buddhist light flashed, his entire person seemed akin to an ancient buddha, possessing an invulnerable buddhic body.

"Buddha law attribute energy." The eyes of many people gleamed sharply. This Qin Wentian was also so skilled in buddha-path techniques? He was truly immeasurably deep.

"KILL!" The Xuanyuan Palace's governor coldly roared. The divine weapons all shot towards Qin Wentian but at this moment, a golden buddha body manifested, shining with the resplendence of buddhic light, blocking the weapons. However, under the assault of endless waves of weapons, the buddhic light faded bit by bit and the attack went through.

But at this moment, there seemed to be boundless hands stretched out behind Qin Wentian, he was like a thousand-armed arhat and each of his arms were radiating with golden light, flowing with different types of law-attribute energy. Each palm then unleashed a multitude of different innate techniques as they clashed against the attack blasting towards him.

"This..." Many people had a look of shock on their faces. This was a gigantic dharma body and the different innate techniques unleashed could all actually fuse together into a zone of slaughter comprising of a myriad of laws that exploded forth with overwhelming might. The divine weapons all shattered, blasting apart the divine weapon domain.

Qin Wentian's body glowed with light. He had his eyes closed and stood there unmoving. The gigantic dharma body's millions of arms continued launching attacks. The might unleashed was devastating to the extreme, the Xuanyuan Palace's governor defended frenziedly, but things were useless. Qin Wentian's attacks were too tyrannical, he blasted his way through the governor's defense and with a thunderous boom, the Xuanyuan Palace's governor was forced back with injuries. Qin Wentian calmly stared at his opponent, his dharma body was still glowing brilliantly as he spoke, "Ye Kong from the Skyair Palace. You are next."

Ye Kong glanced at Qin Wentian, his expression was a little stiff now. He, who was originally extremely confident in his strength, was no longer as confident now.

This fellow was too insanely strong. That buddhic dharma body was extremely terrifying, it was formed from a super strong buddhic art that was infused with Qin Wentian's buddha-type astral soul. The Myriad Laws Convergence used by Qin Wentian earlier was simply too monstrous, no one knew how had he managed to cultivate that.

"If Governor Ye isn't confident enough, why don't you join forces with the governor from the Desolate Heaven Palace? In this case, I can save the time and effort needed for one extra battle." Qin Wentian calmly spoke. The governor from the Desolate Heaven Palace and Ye Kong started as their expressions turned unsightly when they heard that.

A mid-stage immortal emperor actually wanted to challenge the two of them at the same time.

The crowd drew in a breath, as shock and amazement appeared on their faces. This fellow was truly way too brazen. But it was a fact that this Governor Qin of the Lifire Palace is truly very powerful. Even Di Tian who obtained first in the martial competition earlier might not be stronger than him.

Even up until now, Qin Wentian's full strength was unclear. Just this buddhic dharma body before their eyes was capable of all different kinds of law attacks. The Myriad Laws Convergence was an attack no one had an answer for, the true epitome of the word 'tyranny.'

"Since he has spoken, the two of you should just join forces. If he is defeated, I will count it as both of you have each won one battle." At this moment, the Realmlord laughed. His gaze was as calm as ever, immeasurably profound.

Everyone knew it seemed that the Realmlord also wanted to see how strong Qin Wentian was exactly. Clearly, Qin Wentian had already caused the Realmlord to feel interest or the Realmlord wouldn't have spoken.

Both of them glanced at each other and stepped out. The Realmlord has already spoken, they naturally wouldn't disobey him.

Their gazes turned extremely terrifying. The governor from the Desolate Heaven Palace was named Fuzhan. Fearsome bolts of lightning crackled around him, so loud that many people felt their eardrums trembling. Just by standing there, the sound waves eruption from him were already capable of killing ordinary immortal emperors should he wish it. Even Qin Wentian's buddhic dharma body was trembling from the sound wave vibrations.

As for Ye Kong, a supreme sword intent radiated from him in a manner akin to unceasing torrents.

The two of them then launched their attacks simultaneously. Fuzhan stepped out, expanding to over a hundred meters in size. He was like an ancient battle god from the desolate wilderness, terrifying waves of sound-based attacks shattered everything. Many of Qin Wentian's dharma body's arms actually crumbled from the attack.

Ye Kong's movements were as fast as a shooting star. His swordplay and movement speed was completely in sync, as he slashed off many of the arms, leaving behind afterimages of himself. In an instant, plenty of the dharmic body's arms were destroyed, but to the amazement of the crowd, the regeneration rate seemed to be extremely fast, powered by an unending lifeforce. The arms that were destroyed, were replaced by new arms after an instant, it felt like the dharma body was simply undying and indestructible.

The multitude of arms converged together and formed terrifying gigantic buddha palm imprints as they blasted out in all directions, brimming with boundless might.

Fuzhan howled, black-colored lightning congregated into the form of palm imprints that brimmed with the might of destruction as he slammed out with it.

As for Ye Kong, he moved with lightning speed, drilling his way through the palm imprints as he made his way towards Qin Wentian's true body. When the dharma body's arms blocked him, Ye Kong directly stepped into the void, bypassing the obstacles. He then appeared in front of Qin Wentian and slashed out a beam of devastating sword light.

"Fuzhan's attacks are domineering while Ye Kong's speed is extremely quick. The two of them are simply invincible when working together." Some of the crowd commented. Fuzhan's attacks could crush through everything and Ye Kong had already appeared in front of Qin Wentian's true body.

All this happened in an instant, the two of them were truly extremely terrifying when they joined forces.

At this moment, Qin Wentian's true body opened his eyes. With a single glance at Ye Kong, Ye Kong felt himself sinking into the eye-technique dimension. He didn't hesitate and slashed out with all his might, wanting to split apart the sky. However, Qin Wentian was no longer in front of him. There was only a countless number of buddha arms twining themselves around him.

Ye Kong radiated a supreme sword might, empowering his lightning sword arts as he tore open a hole and fled from there. He howled in anger and channelled the entirety of his strength, breaking out of the dimension as he retreated with explosive speed and reappeared beside Fuzhan. Both of them floated in the air as they stared at Qin Wentian.

This Qin Wentian was too tough to deal with. How could it be so difficult to deal with a mid-stage immortal emperor?

"Both of your strength isn't too bad. But you two are destined to fail on this battlefield. I will definitely get the top ranking for my Lifire Palace." Qin Wentian arrogantly spoke. In an instant, a thousand-arm domain manifested. The millions of arms fused together into a giant palm, sealing away this space. At this instant, astral light from the nine heavens had no way to seep through, this space was completely isolated. Fuzhan and Ye Kong's expressions both turned extremely heavy.

The giant palm imprint of this domain actually radiated many different kinds of law energy. Boundless destructive might could also be felt in the air. This giant buddha palm was like a supreme formation and was blasting towards Fuzhan and Ye Kong, preparing to unleash sure-kill techniques.

Chapter 1629: Questioning

Fuzhan and Ye Kong had a depressed look on their faces when they glanced at the gigantic palm blasting towards them.

Clearly, this was a buddha palm imprint, yet they could clearly feel different law attributes within. Brilliant swords of light slashed out, manifested from the palm, along with a spatial storm of wind and lightning. This giant palm was like a supreme slaughter formation that comprised of many different types of attacks.

The two of them might be transcendent-level immortal emperors, standing at the true peak of the immortal emperor realm. But even so, they still felt despair and terror at this moment.

The spectators were all deeply shocked. This Governor Qin Wentian from Lifire City was actually so overwhelmingly powerful. The thousand-arms of the dharma body were fused together into a gigantic buddha palm imprint that blotted out the skies. Not only was the palm capable of unleashing different law-attributed attacks, it could even sever Fuzhan and Ye Kong's resonance with their constellations, forbidding them from borrowing the boundless astral energy from their constellations.

“RUMBLE~” Fuzhan clenched his fists. His body expanded in size, completely transforming into an ancient battle god of the desolate wilderness. Fearsome destructive might gathered at his fists, churning with intensity as sonic booms could be heard. Fuzhan soared into the air as he howled in rage. Both his fists blasted out, sending two streams of destruction aiming for the boundaries of the space sealed by the buddha imprint. The impact was so great that the entire sealed space trembled violently.

However, the sounds of buddhic chants rang out. The terrifying buddha palm imprint kept transforming, manifesting a spatial gate that swallowed up Fuzhan's attacks, transferring it out somewhere. There was no effect at all.

This scene caused Fuzhan to feel utter despair. Qin Wentian had too many methods, he was simply a perfect existence. He was proficient in all types of innate techniques and secret arts, able to do whatever he wants.

Ye Kong soared into the air. He directly slashed his sword down at the palm imprint, manifesting a countless number of sword shadows that sliced at the palm imprint, wanting to cleave it apart. If they continued to fight in this sealed space, both of them would be defeated sooner or later.

The palm imprint generated a burst of ruinous might. Ye Kong could not sustain his attacks. His sword domain manifested, with millions of swords swirling around him, incomparably resplendently. However, with the pressure from the giant palm, the swords around him all fell to the ground, the space around him becoming a grave for swords.

Ye Kong had no choice but to break out from that area and flee backwards, appearing beside Fuzhan again. The two of them glanced at each other as a helpless look appeared on their faces. They were trapped completely in this space and had no way to break out from it.

“Just concede.” Qin Wentian's voice rang out. After that, countless arms were manifested from the palm imprint, launching endless attacks at them. The two continuously defended, destroying the

attacks but right now, the giant palm was already extremely close, brimming with a crushing might, about to slam down into them.

Staring at the approaching giant palm, Fuzhan and Ye Kong closed their eyes. Fuzhan sighed, "I've lost."

"You won." Ye Kong also spoke out. A moment later, the giant palm halted as it slowly dissipated. When his constellation vanished, the pressure in the area completely faded as well. Only a white-robed figure could be seen calmly standing there, exuding boundless magnificence.

He, with the strength of him alone, continuously defeated the experts of the other eight world palaces. Not only so, his last battle was simultaneously against two and he even managed to force the two to admit defeat.

Such a radiant battle achievement record truly held an air of dominance, suppressing all previous rounds of battle. This was truly unprecedented and right now, none of the experts of the other eight world palaces challenged the other. All the glory was focused on the white-robed figure.

This man was a governor from the Lifire Palace, Qin Wentian.

Today, at the Lifelong Realm's grand banquet, there would surely be two people whose name will resound through the Lifelong Realm.

One of them was the top ranker in the martial competition, Di Tian. He was also a genius weaponsmith grandmaster, as well as being extremely strong in combat despite having only a mid-stage immortal emperor cultivation base.

The second person was none other than this governor of Lifire City. He was also at the mid-stage but he tyrannically swept through the supreme and transcendent immortal emperors from the other eight world palaces with impunity, achieving complete victory.

Ye Qianyu was incomparably beautiful. Her beautiful eyes held a radiant and sparkling light as she looked at the white-robed figure standing on the towering platform.

The Lifire Empyrean glanced at Qin Wentian, huge waves arose in his heart. This Qin Wentian was way too outstanding. Back then when he made use of Qin Wentian, although he knew Qin Wentian was powerful, he didn't expect Qin Wentian's talent to be so extraordinarily high. If he knew that,

he might have used gentler and softer methods to deal with Qin Wentian and truly nurtured him into a trusted aide.

Right now, Qin Wentian had obtained the top ranking in the competition between the world palaces, allowing the Lifire Palace to gain face but the Lifire Empyrean no longer cared too much about that. Right now, he was thinking how he should treat Qin Wentian in the future? But naturally, the prerequisite was that the Realmlord wouldn't take the initiative to ask Qin Wentian to work for himself instead.

“Palace Lord. This Qin Wentian will definitely harbor hatred in his heart for matters of the past.” The Crow Emperor transmitted his voice to the Lifire Empyrean. The Lifire Empyrean frown and glanced at the Crow Emperor. He naturally understood what the Crow Emperor was thinking. Back in the past, the person he sent to the Jialan Emperor City was none other than the Crow Emperor. It was also the Crow Emperor who injured and captured Ye Qianyu.

If Qin Wentian comes into power, the first people he would deal with, would undoubtedly be the Crow Emperor and the Jialan Monarch.

When the Jialan Monarch saw the look on the Lifire Empyrean's face, he instantly knew what the Crow Emperor was saying. However, he didn't interject. Back then, the Lifire Empyrean had truly caused him to be in extremely dire straits. Although he was working for the Lifire Empyrean on the surface, everyone knew what their relationship was truly like. It wasn't his turn to speak.

“This Governor Qin isn't simple. Palace Lord, if you can gain his loyalty, he would definitely be a valiant general under your cause.” Beauty Xiao charmingly smiled as she intentionally spoke up. Bright light flashed in her beautiful eyes when she looked at Qin Wentian. She didn't expect this fellow to be so powerful. Right now, even the Lifire Empyrean's state of heart was shaken.

The eyes of many major powers in the territories under the Lifire Palace, were gleaming with sharpness. This man who was sent to the northern city regions by the Lifire Empyrean to be the northern governor, no one thought well of him at that time. They all felt he would be the same as the other northern governors in the past, played and controlled by the Jialan Clan. However, the battle at the Ancient River Auction House showed them how wrong they all were. And now, in Lifelong City, he displayed even more of his brilliance.

If it wasn't because of his bandit past, the radiance from him would definitely be brighter as he would be more perfect. But even so, his past might still affect his future. Even the Lifire Empyrean had to think thrice whether to use Qin Wentian or not. No one knew how the Lifelong Realmlord would act after he learned of this.

Jialan Yuntian and Jialan Qiuyue both had complex looks on their faces. Who would have thought that Jialan Qiuyue's random wonderings would be right. That figure truly appeared here and was more dazzling than their expectations.

Before this, when many people saw Di Tian's performance, all of them felt that it was already very difficult to surpass Di Tian's accomplishments. However, the northern governor of the Lifire Palace, Qin Wentian, was even more outstanding, crushing the experts of the eight other world palaces alone. But who was more outstanding between him and Grandmaster Di Tian who was proficient in both weaponsmithing and the martial path? No one could really tell.

"Grandmaster Di Tian, what do you think of Governor Qin?" Jialan Yuntian asked Di Tian in a light voice.

"Governor Qin's magnificence knows no bounds." Di Tian laughed. He naturally wouldn't reveal that he and Qin Wentian were the same person. If Jialan Yuntian knew about this, it was unknown what sort of expression he would have.

"Seems like this old man was wrong in the past. Grandmaster Di Tian, please don't take it to heart." Jialan Yuntian spoke again, actually expressing his regret. Di Tian started, instantly understanding what Jialan Yuntian was referring to. Back then, in order to force him to stand with them, they alienated him against Qin Wentian, inviting them both to the birthday banquet of Jialan Qiuyue.

Right now, Jialan Yuntian evidently didn't dare to have any thoughts of controlling Di Tian any longer.

"Clan leader, what are you talking about. I'm not very clear." Di Tian shrugged and smiled. Jialan Yuntian's eyes flashed before he also smiled and nodded his head. However, he was thinking in his heart whether if Di Tian truly didn't mind what happened in the past?

Countless people were in fervent discussion as they looked at Qin Wentian, focusing their attention on him.

This governor from Lifire City, what would his fate be?

At this moment, the Realmlord laughed as he spoke, "The remaining eight of you, do you all still want to determine the actual rankings?"

He was naturally referring to the fact that Qin Wentian had already obtained eight victories. Those battles earlier made it so that this towering platform had completely become Qin Wentian's stage and the other participants only served as foils to make him shine brighter. Before Qin Wentian's appearance, everyone felt that the Lifire Palace was only good for making up the numbers. But now, the reality was completely different.

"There's no need to." Fuzhan spoke out. Since the Realmlord asked this question, it naturally meant that he also didn't want to waste time. If not, the Realmlord would have directly stated that the competition should continue.

The other participants also understood the Realmlord's meaning. They all shook their heads. It was meaningless to continue fighting. Qin Wentian had already seized all the glory here today, including everyone else who fought in the previous thirteen rounds of battles earlier.

"Mhm. Everyone, please return to your respective seats at your world palace." The Realmlord waved his hands and smiled. The silhouettes of the participants flashed as they returned to their original seats. Qin Wentian moved towards the Lifire Emyrean and bowed, "Palace Lord, your subordinate did not fail to live up to your expectations."

"Governor Qin, it has been hard for you. Come, take a seat." The Lifire Emyrean smiled. He naturally wouldn't blame Qin Wentian at this moment.

"Yes, Palace Lord." Qin Wentian didn't have any of the arrogance he displayed on the platform and became extremely humble. He knew that the Lifire Emyrean wouldn't really allow him to easily see his true attitude. Qin Wentian also understood it was better for him to act humble and keep a low profile now.

Beauty Xiao cast a charming glance at Qin Wentian. Qin Wentian walked over and sat down beside her only to see her giggling as she transmitted her voice, "You did all this for Ye Qianyu, why wouldn't you be able to do the same for me?"

Qin Wentian rolled his eyes at her, a look of hidden resentment could be seen on Beauty Xiao's face as she transmitted her voice over, "Somebody has no conscience oh."

Qin Wentian glanced in the direction of the Lifelong Realmlord, only to see the Realmlord smiling, "The competition between the nine world palaces this time, is more fascinating compared to the past. Is everyone satisfied with it?"

“There are truly many capable men in our Lifelong Realm, all of them will cause the future of our realm to be even more glorious.” The Skymist Empyrean respectfully spoke. He was the Lifelong Realmlord’s disciple, but he had to refer to the Realmlord with his proper title in such a setting.

“They are not subordinates chosen by me but by you all instead. All the palace lords should reward your capable subordinates who participated earlier heavily.” The Realmlord smiled.

“Naturally.”

“Your subordinates will naturally reward them heavily.” The world palace lords bowed and expressed.

The Realmlord smiled and nodded. He then turned his gaze towards the Lifire Empyrean and asked, “Such a grand character appearing in the Lifire Palace. Lifire Palace Lord, you actually prevented him from coming here before this? What is going on? Don’t tell me you are afraid of this seat snatching Governor Qin away?”

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The Lifire Empyrean’s gaze stiffened. For a moment, he didn’t know how he should reply.

Qin Wentian’s situation was really extremely complex, but it was impossible for him to explain it for all to hear now out in the public. He could only reply, “Your subordinate doesn’t dare. It’s just that Lifire City needed someone to be in charge since I’m temporarily gone from there. Hence, this subordinate commanded Governor Qin to take over to prevent chaos from reigning supreme.”

“Oh?” The Lifelong Realmlord calmly spoke. The Lifire Empyrean even dared to give him such a lousy excuse?

A look of difficulty could be seen on the Lifire Empyrean’s face. But at this moment, Qin Wentian stood up and bowed to the Lifelong Realmlord. “This matter has nothing to do with palace lord. It’s just because my identity is sensitive which led to palace lord making such an arrangement. I humbly beg Realmlord for a pardon.”

Qin Wentian's words caused the Lifire Empyrean to narrow his eyes. The Realmlord felt even more curious. Although he was the master of this realm, many things were managed by his subordinates and he would usually not ask about the finer details of the happenings in each of the world palaces. He naturally would have no idea that Qin Wentian, who is a governor, used to be a bandit. Hence, he had no idea about the connection between Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu.

"Oh? Your identity is sensitive? Tell me more about it." The Lifelong Realmlord asked.

"Junior has the identity of a criminal. I used to be a bandit and had plundered the mines under control of the Jialan Monarch who is one of the nine monarchs serving under the Lifire Palace Lord. After being captured, not only did the palace lord not blame my past, he even gave me huge responsibilities and promoted me into a governor. I'm filled with endless gratitude towards his kindness." Qin Wentian's tone was extremely polite. Not only did he not offend the Lifire Empyrean, his words were even praising the Lifire Empyrean faintly.

Although he was extremely imposing on the battle platform, the Lifire Empyrean was after all one of the nine world palaces' palace lords. His status wasn't something Qin Wentian could compare to despite being extremely impressive on the battle platform. Right now, his end goal was to rescue Ye Qianyu. He naturally didn't want to offend someone as powerful as the Lifire Empyrean needlessly.

"A bandit?" A strange light flashed in the eyes of the Lifelong Realmlord as he cast a glance at the Lifire Empyrean.

"Yes, Realmlord. In the past, due to some circumstances, I became a bandit under Ye Qianyu. Right now, Ye Qianyu has also appeared in this grand banquet, and Palace Lord must have been worried as he knew that I have a good relationship with her. He must have feared that I might be impulsive upon meeting her and this must be the reason why he told me to stay behind at the Lifire City instead. He has given a lot of thought to this matter." Qin Wentian continued.

"Ye Qianyu?" The Lifelong Realmlord recalled about the beautiful maiden from the Red Dust Immortal Palace whose dance stirred up a huge commotion earlier. That maiden's name was precisely Ye Qianyu, the Night Empyrean's daughter and she was here because she was seeking forgiveness from her crimes. He then turned his gaze towards the direction of the Red Dust Immortal Palace's people, landing on Ye Qianyu and immediately understood some things.

The others in the crowd all had a look of understanding on their faces. They finally understood why Qin Wentian would appear here and displayed his prowess in such a domineering manner.

So it turned out that he was fighting for the sake of rescuing a beauty.

He wanted to do his best to perform here and request the Realmlord to release Ye Qianyu as a reward?

“Yes.” Qin Wentian nodded.

“In that case, you came here for her?” The Realmlord asked directly.

“Please pardon me, your eminence.” Qin Wentian bowed. The Lifelong Realmlord looked at him. Not only the Realmlord, at this moment, the Lifire Emphyrean, the Jialan Clan’s people and all the other experts were staring at Qin Wentian.

With a background as a bandit yet possessing such a high amount of talent. He participated in the grand banquet and domineeringly got the top ranking for the final round of battle in the competition between the world palaces and his purpose was actually for the sake of a single woman? But truth to be told, this woman was truly an excellent creature. That dance Ye Qianyu performed earlier had caused their hearts all to stir, wanting to possess her.

Right now, they would have to see how the Lifelong Realmlord would decide. Would he grant Ye Qianyu amnesty because of Qin Wentian’s talent?

“Ye Qianyu was captured by your Lifire Palace in the past?” The Lifelong Realmlord suddenly asked the Lifire Emphyrean.

“Replying to Realmlord, those years ago, Ye Qianyu was the bandit head and was wrecking chaos in one of my territories. I commanded my subordinates to capture her and detain her in the Lifire Jail. Qin Wentian was just an accomplice and he became a bandit because he had no alternatives. This is why I didn’t imprison him and gave him a chance to render merits to clear his crimes instead.” The Lifire Emphyrean spoke. Regardless if the Realmlord values Qin Wentian’s talent or not, these questions of principle had to be made clear to him first.

“In that case, you did nothing wrong as well.” The Lifelong Realmlord nodded lightly. “Has Qin Wentian rendered any merit so far?”

“He has been the governor of the northern city regions of my Lifire City for the past several tens of years and did render plenty of merit in terms of quelling the chaos in the north.” The Lifire Emphyrean replied.

“Since this is the case, Qin Wentian, don’t worry about your past identity as a bandit. Just do your job as a governor well for now.” The Realmlord smiled. With this sentence, this undoubtedly paved the way for Qin Wentian’s future. His past identity as a bandit didn’t matter to the Realmlord.

“As for Ye Qianyu, since she is the bandit head, it’s impossible for me to release her just like that. She can temporarily become a maid in the Lifelong Saint Hall first. In the future, if you manage to render any great merit, you can come and look for me again to redeem her.” The Realmlord’s single sentence had determined Ye Qianyu’s fate. Qin Wentian felt some disappointment in his heart. Seeing that Ye Qianyu had appeared her, he decided to take the risk and displayed his prowess in the battle. He naturally hoped that the Realmlord would pardon Ye Qianyu.

However, it was only natural for the Lifelong Realmlord to reply in that manner. As a bandit head, how can he release her so simply just like that? Telling him to come back for her after he renders great merits is already a form of kindness. What else could he say?

“Many thanks for Realmlord’s kindness.” Qin Wentian bowed, he could only thank the Realmlord.

“Give him more chances to render more merits in the future.” The Realmlord instructed the Lifire Emyrean.

“Yes, Realmlord.” The Lifire Emyrean nodded. Seems like the Realmlord truly regarded Qin Wentian highly. Although he didn’t ask for Qin Wentian to be transferred over, he made it clear for the Lifire Emyrean to give Qin Wentian more chances to render merits. In that case, it would be more convenient if the Realmlord wanted to use Qin Wentian in the future. Qin Wentian might even be transferred to the Lifelong Saint Hall.

“Enough. Everyone, there’s no need to feel so restrained. Let’s continue to enjoy the banquet. Next, does the palace lords of the nine world palaces have anything you want to report?” The Lifelong Realmlord laughed carefreely. Everyone had smiles on their faces and toasted the Realmlord. After that, the atmosphere turned lively, the maidens of the Red Dust Immortal Palace once again displayed their dances for everyone to enjoy. There were also beautiful women playing zithers, producing elegant music. However, Ye Qianyu didn’t join in this time. She remained at her original location.

Qin Wentian glanced in her direction, only to see Ye Qianyu just so coincidentally was looking at him as well. Her bright eyes and charming smile felt extremely soul-stirring and she even winked at him. Qin Wentian smiled when he saw this scene. Although she would temporarily become a maid

in the Lifelong Saint Hall, and couldn't be considered truly free, her environment would definitely be much better compared to her being imprisoned in the Lifire Jail.

"Governor Qin, congratulations." At this moment, Beauty Xiao giggled and walked over. It seemed that she noticed the exchange of looks between Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu. Her soft and alluring body leaned against Qin Wentian, exposing her bosom to him while a smile lit up the corners of her lips. Qin Wentian immediately knew that Beauty Xiao was doing this intentionally after just a single look at her.

Qin Wentian saw a smile layered with meaning on the face of Ye Qianyu when she saw this. Her gaze seemed to contain some hidden resentment. Qin Wentian bitterly smiled and shook his head before lifting up a wine cup and toasting Beauty Xiao.

"Beauty Xiao, there's no need for you to lunge over like that, right?" Yin Qiu's neither male nor female voice rang out. Beauty Xiao glanced at him and pressed her body even deeper into Qin Wentian, almost knocking him off his seat. The Lifire Empyrean kept his calm and didn't feel that this was strange. Beauty Xiao has always been such a character. He didn't think too deep into it.

"Seems like your bet paid off. With the Realmlord as your backing, the palace lord won't dare to act against you easily in the future. He might even try to pull you closer to him by using soft tactics." Beauty Xiao transmitted her voice over. She then continued, "I was the one who told you about this news. How do you intend to repay me?"

As she transmitted her voice over, Beauty Xiao bit her lips gently and had an alluring look on her face as she leaned in closer. Qin Wentian couldn't help to silently muse what a vixen she was.

"Governor Qin, let me toast you too. For the unhappiness between us earlier, let's all forget about it." Xia Hou lifted his wine cup and spoke, as though wanting to sue for peace with Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian coldly glanced at Xia Hou. A playful smile appeared on his face. This Xia Hou had always mocked and insulted him every time they met. Now, he actually wanted to settle the score peacefully?

"Governor Xia Hou is too polite." Qin Wentian lifted his wine cup and smiled, he didn't make things ugly for Xia Hou. He knew that Xia Hou's words didn't really represent that the grudge had been settled. By lifting his cup, it also didn't represent that he would forget what happened before. Both of them were just acting for the occasion.

“Qin Wentian, you have gained much face for our Lifire Palace today.” Grand Governor Zhuge Xiong laughed and initiated a toast. The Realmlord had clearly already backed Qin Wentian and they knew that the Lifire Emphyrean would soon try his best to pull Qin Wentian closer to him. Hence, they didn’t feel any hesitation to express their goodwill now.

“Grand Governor, please.” Qin Wentian replied and toasted him back. After that, Lin Ba came by and toasted him as well. All of them had very respectful attitudes towards Qin Wentian.

Not only so, many major powers of Lifire City also came to show their respect. After exchanging conventional greetings, many of them expressed their goodwill and acted in a very friendly manner.

After the grand banquet today, both Qin Wentian and Di Tian became the most popular characters in Lifire City.

Only the Jialan Monarch had a heavy look on his face as he drank his wine alone in sorrow. He was somewhat pale and had an unsightly expression. Everyone could act friendly with Qin Wentian, except for him.

The Lifire Emphyrean had recruited Qin Wentian right from the start. Although he was using him, the emphyrean used soft methods and there wasn’t too much hatred between them.

Even the Jialan Clan could not be considered to have a grudge with Qin Wentian.

The one who truly had a grudge with Qin Wentian was none other than him, the Jialan Monarch. Because of his daughter Jialan Mingyue, the grudge between them had escalated to a point of no return. Naturally, Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu had also caused him endless trouble and the lives of many of his descendants. It was impossible to resolve this grudge. But right now, given how outstanding Qin Wentian’s performance was, in addition to the fact that the Jialan Clan wanted to sue for peace, and the Realmlord’s appreciation of Qin Wentian, all caused the Jialan Monarch to feel increasingly unhappy.

From the looks of things, the Jialan Clan would definitely continue to express their goodwill to Qin Wentian and would no longer offend this transcendent immortal emperor that had gained the recognition of the Lifelong Realmlord.

When he thought of this, he could only sigh and continued drinking his wine down, cup by cup.

Over at the Jialan Clan's area, the spiritual character of the Jialan Clan, Jialan Jiangshan, had already understood the origins of the grudge between their Jialan Clan and Qin Wentian. He transmitted his voice to Jialan Yuntian, "Do everything you can to mend the relationship between our clan and Qin Wentian."