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Chapter 1661: Lifire Clone

The people from the northern governor's manor all trembled. They looked at their governor, Qin Wentian. Despite him being mysterious and rarely appearing in the public, it didn't affect their respect and reverence for him. Every deed he did was an earth-shattering one.

Right now, was this divinity-like existence in their hearts, once again going to baptize their knowledge of who he was?

What does it mean by fighting against the Lifire Emyrean?

Their governor only used a mere tens of years to accomplish something that many people would never be able to accomplish in their entire lives. From the mid-stage of the immortal emperor realm, he broke through to the empyrean realm, becoming an existence on par with the Lifire Palace Lord. This was simply too terrifying and simply unprecedented.

They were all asking themselves in their hearts that could there really be such magnificent characters out there in the world? At the very least, they had never seen one before.

Not only for the people of the northern governor's manor, all the other spectators felt shock rocking their hearts when they saw Qin Wentian standing before the Lifire Emyrean, blocking his attack. This scene was truly stunning. They didn't dare to imagine this. A person's talent could actually be so outstanding?

Although one only needed to gain more insights and deepen their comprehension to break through from the immortal emperor realm to the empyrean realm, it was much more difficult in comparison to absorbing astral energy from one's constellation to cultivate. If not, there wouldn't be countless experts stuck at the immortal emperor realm, unable to advance a single inch forward. However, they all actually sensed that there seemed to be no bottlenecks at this realm for Qin Wentian.

Beauty Xiao's eyes flashed with a dazzling light as she smiled lightly. Her judgement was truly accurate. However, she also felt some worry. After all, she had been in the Lifire Palace for many years and had never seen the Lifire Emyrean personally in battle before. This Lifirer Emyrean that has been in the empyrean realm for many years should be much stronger in comparison, right? Would Qin Wentian be in danger?

The people from the Jialan Clan felt great waves in their heart. Right now, even for them, they had no way to see through the situation today.

Earlier, the spiritual character of their clan, Jialan Jiangshan, was defeated by the Lifire Emyrean. At that instant, they felt as though they had sunk into the abyss, that their involvement in this would lead the Jialan Clan into a mournful end. But at this moment, Qin Wentian actually stepped out and displayed empyrean-level strength.

In that case, why would Qin Wentian be injured from the Lifire Emyrean's earlier strike?

Why did he enter seclusion the instant he came back instead of answering the summons of the Lifire Palace?

This not only caused the people of the Jialan Clan to be puzzled. Even Zhuge Xiong and many people were puzzled. They initially thought that Qin Wentian was nothing more than a fuse that sparked this entire situation and Di Tian simply made use of this chance, allying himself with the Jialan Clan to overthrow the Lifire Emyrean. Qin Wentian, was nothing more than a secondary player, a foil that enhances the main characters of this incident today.

However, was the truth really like this?

At the moment when Qin Wentian stepped out, how many people felt their hearts shaking? Could Qin Wentian really not know everything?

Di Tian and Qin Wentian had allied together too, right?

Everyone glanced at Di Tian, they only felt that the masked Di Tian was extremely mysterious. Even the people of the Jialan Clan felt that they couldn't see through him at all.

This was especially so for the Jialan Clan Leader, Jialan Yuntian. Back then at the grand banquet, he already felt something was wrong when Di Tian displayed his talent. But after that, Di Tian had maintained a good relationship with his Jialan Clan and even borrowed their influence to expand the Emperor Pavilion in Lifelong City. Hence, he felt that it was possible that Di Tian only wanted a reliable ally as he developed his strength.

But today, a stronger sense of unease appeared in his heart after he saw this scene. Di Tian was growing more and more inscrutable. Did he come to an agreement with Qin Wentian after coming to an agreement with the Jialan Clan? Was his relationship with Qin Wentian something extraordinary?

No matter what everyone was thinking, everything was not as important as the battle currently occurring now. Hence, the attention of everyone was still fixed on the battle in the air.

“Back then when I told Zhuge Xiong to get you to come back, you ignored it for tens of years before returning. Also, at the instant of your return, you immediately entered closed-door seclusion saying that you are on the verge of a breakthrough. At that time, you should have already broken through, right? In that case, your purpose of doing that must be to lure me here. Back then, who was the one who leaked the secret to you?” The Lifire Empyrean stared at Qin Wentian as he spoke. His heart was also trembling slightly from the shock. Qin Wentian actually reached the same realm as him within such a short period of time. This was way too out of his anticipation.

He initially already felt that Qin Wentian would gradually grow out of his control in the future, hence he wanted to act first. But he didn't expect that Qin Wentian was already extremely difficult to control today.

Qin Wentian didn't reply, “I have always abided scrupulously by my role's responsibilities, yet the Palace Lord wants my death so badly. I have no choice but to challenge Palace Lord today.”

“Abide scrupulously?” The Lifire Empyrean laughed. Right now, he could already be sure that the Jialan Monarch was killed by Qin Wentian.

“Let me take a guess. There are two traitors, Sun Qian and Beauty Xiao. Sun Qian is Di Tian's man, in that case, the person who informed you must be Beauty Xiao, right? I really didn't expect she would risk so much for you.” The Lifire Empyrean laughed. “Since this is the case, I'll grant you two your wish. Although you are now also at the empyrean realm, you will understand how great the disparity of strength between experts at the empyrean realm is.”

“I'm waiting with anticipation.” Qin Wentian's white robes fluttered as the sword qi river flowed around him.

From the Lifire Palace, numerous lifire dragons manifested, spiralling up into the sky. The space behind the Lifire Empyrean was already scorched red, like a world of lava. A countless number of red lightning bolts flashed brilliantly, thundering down from the sky. The lifire dragons swam through the world of lava freely, issuing rumbling roars.

The Lifire Empyrean himself was already extremely terrifying. After borrowing the might of the Lifire Grand Formation, his strength explosively surged as he dominated Jialan Jiangshan. He wanted to tell the people of Lifire City that no one in his territories could challenge his authority and prestige.

“Kacha...” Numerous bolts of red lightning cleaved down, brimming with malevolence, directly blasting towards Qin Wentian. However, a fearsome spatial law fluctuation radiated from Qin Wentian and when the red lightning struck down, his body seemed to be in a separate dimension from his surroundings. Those bolts of red lightning clearly struck him, but they couldn’t come into contact with him,

“Source origin of the laws of space?” Upon staring at this scene, the Lifire Empyrean felt his heart tremble. This meant that Qin Wentian didn’t only comprehend the source origin of a single law, but multiple ones instead. At the grand banquet those years ago, was he really just a mid-stage immortal emperor? If he hadn’t personally witnessed this, he would never have believed it.

Boundless lifire flames crackled. The Lifire Empyrean blasted out, manifesting an apocalyptic blood-red fiery lifire palm that seemed to be made up of ten thousand dancing dragons. This terrifying palm strike was capable of devouring everything as it blasted towards Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian stabbed out with his finger, his sword was akin to the wind. The sword qi river flowing around him erupted forth towards the palm strike, causing rumbling sounds to ring out. A countless number of sharp swords materialized, attempting to slay the lifire dragons. However, that apocalyptic palm imprint crushed everything and forced a way through, brimming with a world-destructive might, wanting to bury Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian’s expression turned solemn. Boundless radiance emitted from him, illuminating the area he was in. This light was even more blinding compared to the sun, many people couldn’t endure it and had to close their eyes. There were even people that felt their eyes were being pierced through as they were blinded.

The terrifying palm strike then smashed into Qin Wentian. However, within the resplendent radiance, a dharma body appeared, enveloping his true body as the dharma body stood unmoving against that attack.

“BOOM, BOOM, BOOM!” The terrifying palm imprint launched attack after attack, wanting to crush Qin Wentian, burying him right where he stood.

Just as everyone thought that was merely a normal attack, the innate technique used by the Lifire Emyrean suddenly seemed to gain life. The palm trembled, and transformed into another lifire body in an instant. This lifire body was gigantic, and its palm was like a lifire prison, grabbing hold of Qin Wentian.

“Careful, that is his Lifire Clone. He borrows the power from the Lifire Grand Formation to create it, allowing him access to the entirety of the energy provided by the grand formation.” Jialan Jiangshan was an old opponent of the Lifire Emyrean and he naturally knew that the Lifire Emyrean had this card up his sleeve. However, this was the first time he fought with the Lifire Emyrean inside Lifire City, he didn’t expect the boost to strength provided by the Lifire Grand Formation would be so overwhelmingly great.

The hearts of everyone trembled. Qin Wentian also understood why when Zhuge Xiong brought up the suggestion of him having an avatar, the Lifire Emyrean directly believed that it was true.

So it turned out that the Lifire Emyrean himself has also cultivated a kind of cloning or avatar creation technique. This was why he felt that Zhuge Xiong’s suggestion was highly probable, the Jialan Monarch should be killed by Qin Wentian’s avatar.

Within the palm-like prison, a terrifying sword of light appeared. Numerous arms also manifested from the dharma body as Qin Wentian attempted to blast his way free. However, balls of flames fell from the air, wanting to incinerate the dharma body protecting Qin Wentian. Sizzling sounds rang out and a few moments later, Qin Wentian’s true body appeared after his dharma body was burned through. His entire person was covered in lava, the Lifire Emyrean’s clone grabbed his true body with both hands tightly, wanting to refine him by the intensity of his flames.

“No matter how high your talent is, you will find it hard to escape death today. As for Beauty Xiao, I’ll grant her her wish and let her accompany you to death. Not only for her, for those who betrayed me today, they shall all be annihilated.” The Lifire Emyrean and his clone spoke the same words, their voices rumbling through space, causing terror to fill the hearts of many people.

The Lifire Emyrean, the sovereign of Lifire City. Ultimately, could it be that no one could challenge his might?

Could no one really defeat the Lifire Emyrean?

Would this magnificent character Qin Wentian, really die here today?!

Chapter 1662: Lifire Empyrean's Terror

The might radiating from the Lifire Empyrean was too terrifying. At this moment, the vast majority of people all hoped for Qin Wentian to become the victor. Because, once the Lifire Empyrean's attack defeated Qin Wentian, it was unknown how many people had to die here today.

The northern governor Qin Wentian, the supervisory commander Di Tian, as well as the Jialan Clan has forced the Lifire Empyrean into such a state today. This grudge can already be considered unresolvable as long as either party didn't die. Even if the Lifire Empyrean was victorious, he wouldn't be able to escape the denouncement from the other world palace lords at the Realm Lord's side. But if he did win, the first thing he would do was to annihilate all of these traitors who dared to rebel against him.

Qin Wentian was now in extremely dire straits himself. Could he even protect himself? Let alone speaking about obtaining victory.

The terrifying lava flames buried Qin Wentian within. Boundless radiance radiated from Qin Wentian, a brilliant light that shone gloriously encapsulated everything. It seemed capable of purifying the myriad of things in this world, a fiery radiance that was unstoppable. Qin Wentian closed his eyes, his entire person seemed even more holy and saint-like. Gradually, the lava flames were burned away, devoured by the brilliant radiance.

The Lifire Empyrean and his clone wanted to crush Qin Wentian. However, with the fiery radiance of the laws of light, it felt like even if the entire might of the Lifire Grand Formation was to descend unceasingly upon Qin Wentian, it would be unable to harm him.

And at this moment, the Lifire Empyrean's true self stared at everyone from the air. "You guys betrayed this seat. Do you all feel regret now?"

The hearts of everyone trembled. When Sun Qian saw the Lifire Empyrean's gaze, he immediately hid himself behind Di Tian. Those who had surrendered also felt trepidation in their hearts. Today, things really had been too miserable for them. No matter what they did, no matter how they choose, the paths that laid before them all led to death. At the end, will they ultimately die in this battle for the Lifire Palace Lord's position?

"Kill!" The Lifire Empyrean roared. In an instant, lifire palm imprints descended from the sky, shooting towards Di Tian, Sun Qian and Beauty Xiao. The first people he wanted to kill were none

other than these three. Two of them were governors who betrayed him, his direct subordinates, there was no way he would pardon them. And as for Di Tian, he was the mastermind of everything today. Hence, he wanted to kill these three no matter what.

His gaze was extremely terrifying, capable of scorching through everything. Di Tian's eyes narrowed when he saw such a powerful attack. A moment later, a fearsome gigantic phantom of a demon god from his bloodline protection ability appeared behind him, directly launching attacks against the lifire palm imprints, negating the force behind it. On the other side, Beauty Xiao who was far away from Di Tian, had no way to defend against this. She couldn't even withstand the Lifire Emphyrean's gaze. The terrifying lifire palm easily captured her.

"Release her!" A resplendent light radiated forth. Qin Wentian was like the god of light, unexcelled in the world. He stared at the Lifire Emphyrean as he repeated, "Release her."

The Lifire Emphyrean had an ugly look on his face. He glanced at Qin Wentian before turning towards Di Tian as his countenance became cold. "Di Tian, to think that you actually have also broken through to this level."

The hearts of everyone trembled. They all seemed to be already numb...

Everything that happened today had been too overwhelmingly shocking. The incidents that happened one by one all filled them with endless shock.

Right now, the Lifire Emphyrean said that the Supervisory Commander Di Tian was actually the same as Qin Wentian? He had also stepped into the emphyrean realm?

Back then those years ago at the grand banquet of the Lifelong Realm, Di Tian and Qin Wentian shook the world with their names. Now, both of them actually broke through to the emphyrean realm. These two are truly monstrous existences.

The experts of the Jialan Clan all had stiff looks on their faces. Their hearts were filled with waves of shock as they stared at the Di Tian who stepped out.

Di Tian had joined forces with their Jialan Clan, wanting to pull the Lifire Emphyrean down from his position. However, was this really because of his relationship with the Jialan Clan? Because of his relationship with Jialan Qiuyue?

Did he do all of this just to help the Jialan Clan ascend to the top seat?

Before this, everyone thought so. But right now, their hearts were wavering.

If Di Tian was still at the immortal emperor realm, it was very possible that he did all this to help the Jialan Clan get the Lifire Palace Lord's position.

But he actually concealed the fact that he had broken through to the empyrean realm from everyone. What did this mean? This undoubtedly meant that he already has enough power to take the position of the Lifire Palace Lord for himself! Also, in addition to his talent, as well as the Realmlord's approval and backing, he, Di Tian, was more qualified than Jialan Jiangshan to sit on the Lifire Palace's throne if the Lifire Empyrean was defeated.

In the crowd far away, Jialan Qiuyue turned pale. Jialan Yuntian froze as well. Everything has been made clear.

By forming a friendship with the Jialan Clan, it was true that Di Tian needed to borrow their strength. However, his true intention was to grab the seat of the Lifire Palace Lord. For the sake of becoming the Lifire Palace Lord, what was friendship? What was Jialan Qiuyue's beauty? Evidently, they couldn't compare at all!

Di Tian had hidden this from everyone, including their Jialan Clan. They had unknowingly become Di Tian's chess pieces. As one of the peak powers of the Lifelong Realm, the Jialan Clan actually became a tool that was made use of by Di Tian. What an irony this was?

But this also proved what a terrifying character Di Tian was.

"Palace lord, things have already reached such a state. Why is there a need to implicate the innocents? Whether is there Sun Qian or Beauty Xiao or not, you ultimately have to give up your position. That's the irresistible general trend of events." Di Tian slowly spoke.

"Irresistible trend of events?" The Lifire Empyrean laughed. Balls of flame could be seen in floating in the air with the reddened sky as their backdrop. He continued, "Di Tian, what a terrifying scheme. I don't believe that you have the strength to contend against me. Also, you have so many subordinates. If I want to kill them all, can you even stop me?"

“Whether it was you fighting against Senior Jialan, or against Governor Qin, I have not acted, choosing to stand by the side. I did this because I wanted to allow palace lord to have a chance at a fair battle, to determine who the victor and the loser is. Palace lord, why must you implicate others and use my subordinates to threaten me? Could it be that you don’t have any family members inside the Lifire Palace? No matter what, it’s best that you consider their safety too.” Di Tian’s tone was undoubtedly also filled with the hint of a threat.

“HAHAHA!” The Lifire Emyrean laughed maniacally, sounding a little crazed. He, the Lifire Palace Lord, the sovereign of this region, was actually threatened by someone with his family.

With a violent grab, the Lifire Emyrean grabbed hold of Beauty Xiao and moved her before him. Di Tian’s expression froze, but the Lifire Emyrean was looking at Qin Wentian instead of him. He then spoke, “In the past, you had once dared to do crazy things for the sake of Ye Qianyu and Beiming Youhuang. Now, I wonder if you would be crazy enough for the sake of Beauty Xiao who betrayed me to help you.”

Qin Wentian’s eyes gleamed with sharpness. “As the Lifire Palace Lord, using such a method to threaten me is simply too despicable.”

“I also didn’t expect that I would have to face off against three empyreans today. Since this is the case, I can only kill one of you first.” The Lifire Emyrean icily replied. He then continued, “Beauty Xiao’s charm is really not small. From what I know, in truth she actually hates men and is an extremely pragmatic individual. However, under the circumstances where the future cannot be foreseen, she actually took the risk to betray me for you. This isn’t like her. In that case, I want you now to suffer my attacks for the sake of her. Are you willing?”

Beauty Xiao turned pale as she stared at Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian’s expression also turned ashen. He glanced at Beauty Xiao before speaking to the Lifire Emyrean, “Lifire Emyrean, did you not hear Supervisory Commander Di Tian’s words? Don’t tell me you don’t have family inside the Lifire Palace.”

“After killing you, I’ll naturally slaughter Di Tian. Daring to rebel yet you still expect to live?” The Lifire Emyrean coldly spoke.

“The Lifire Emyrean is starting to be afraid.” The eyes of many flashed. If the Lifire Emyrean was confident enough to kill everyone, given his status, there was no need for him to do such an embarrassing thing. As the sovereign of this entire region, if he wanted to kill Beauty Xiao, he would have already done so. However, he didn’t do so and chose to use Beauty Xiao to threaten Qin

Wentian instead. This meant that the Lifire Emyrean could feel a true sense of threat from Qin Wentian. He was no longer as confident.

“Lifire Emyrean. I challenged you directly and openly but if you use such despicable methods, don’t blame me for being ruthless.” Qin Wentian’s expression was like ice.

“Release your defense.” The Lifire Emyrean exerted more force. Instantly, fire sprang up around Beauty Xiao, causing her to scream in pain. She was injured despite resisting it with her own law energy. Qin Wentian’s eyes narrowed. He glanced at Beauty Xiao, and upon seeing the agony on her face, his heart trembled violently from an inner struggle.

He didn’t really feel much emotions for her but no matter what, they did have a relationship before. In addition, Beauty Xiao betrayed the Lifire Emyrean for him. Before this, she had no idea that he had already reached the empyrean realm or whether he would defeat the Lifire Emyrean or not. But even so, she determinedly stood on his side.

“BOOM!” A towering might radiated from Di Tian. Boundless law energy churned in the surroundings as a fearsome sealing might permeated the atmosphere, blotting out the sky dyed red by lifire.

He stepped out as a sealing windstorm kicked up, wanting to seal this space. “Governor Qin, since the Lifire Emyrean is so despicable. Why don’t we join forces to kill him?”

After speaking, he glanced at the Lifire Emyrean again, “Palace Lord, you best think things through. If you don’t implicate others, I don’t mind just watching from the sidelines.”

Di Tian wanted to pressure the Lifire Emyrean by doing this. He wanted to force him to give up on harming Beauty Xiao.

“Qin Wentian, your decision?” The Lifire Emyrean could sense Di Tian’s might. He was even more sure in his heart that he had to kill one of them first. If not, when these two magnificent characters and Jialan Jiangshan joined forces, things would be too dangerous for him.

Qin Wentian’s expression turned unsightly. The Lifire Emyrean clearly was determined to threaten him.

“Fine, just do what you want.” Qin Wentian gritted his teeth as the law energy radiating from him dissipated completely.

Beauty Xiao who was captured by the Lifire Empyrean, instantly felt her eyes redden. She stared at Qin Wentian, a hint of a radiant smile flashed in her eyes, filled with charm. She then whispered, “Have you gone mad? Given your talent, why did you give up on resisting just for a woman like me?”

“Shut up.” Qin Wentian glanced at her and berated.

Beauty Xiao’s mouth twitched, her smile seemed to grow even more radiant as she continued, “I once said that one day, if you stand in opposition to the Lifire Empyrean, I’ll definitely stand on the palace lord’s side. I thought that I was already foolish enough today, but I didn’t expect that you are even more foolish than me. For a woman like me that’s so cheap and lowly, looked down upon by everyone, how can it be worth to exchange your life, a life of that of a peerless genius, for mine?”

Laughing, her tears began to flow. At this moment, her resistance formed from her law energy dissipated completely. At the next instant, the fearsome lifire directly burned her body, a body of flesh and blood. Without the protection of her law energy, how could she endure the intensity of the lifire flames? She immediately let out a scream mingled with intense agony but she still gritted her teeth, determined to bear it. She wanted to maintain her most charming and beautiful smile as she stared at the young man in white who could sacrifice himself for her.

Sometimes, when you are filled with utter despair towards the world, there would sometimes be someone who appeared, bringing with them their own light to illuminate your world. This ray of light was much more precious and valuable compared to life itself.

Hence, she was willing to give her life up. In addition, she was finally truly happy, truly satisfied!

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Beauty Xiao’s reaction caused the hearts of everyone to tremble. The terrifying flames instantly seeped into her body, burning her. This was simply too fast, so fast that nobody could react.

“You’ve gone mad!” The Lifire Empyrean roared.

Qin Wentian's gaze also froze as he stared at Beauty Xiao with shock.

“STOP!” He roared. But Beauty Xiao didn't heed him and continued to allow the destructive energy to seep into her body. Her smile was as radiant as ever. In this life, her road had always been one filled with frustrations and dashed hopes. She wasn't willing to listen to the arrangements of her clan, wasn't willing to submit to her fate. She went in the opposite direction, choosing to act wanton and unrestrained but she had never been happy before, despite what she showed others on the surface. Because, she didn't have dignity.

Her clan treated her with disdain and humiliation, the eyes of others in the world were filled with the same light of contempt. No one had truly respected her before. Even Yin Qiu, who had been wooing her, was only lusting over her beauty and wanted to play her. Many men were the same as Yin Qiu, hence, she didn't give them any chances.

She initially thought that all men in this world were the same, until she met Qin Wentian. He felt different from the rest, once, she had personally said to Qin Wentian that in the future, if he faced against the Lifire Empyrean, she would undoubtedly stand on the Lifire Empyrean's side. She would always side with the stronger one. But today, before anyone knew that Qin Wentian had the ability to face against the Lifire Empyrean head-on, she actually didn't stand on the Lifire Empyrean's side. She had chosen to help Qin Wentian.

This was something that defied logic, letting emotions rule over her mind. But this time around, she finally didn't regret it. Because, he was that outstanding, that extraordinary, and was even willing to give up his resisting because of a woman like her. How many foolish decisions are there in total? Most probably, everyone here would feel that she was unworthy of Qin Wentian to do so and felt that he was foolish. Who was she, Beauty Xiao? Could her life be of equal value to Qin Wentian's life?

“Thank you.” Beauty Xiao gently smiled at Qin Wentian. The Lifire Empyrean had retracted his attack. After that, Beauty Xiao's body fell from the air, resembling a willow leaf, so gentle and weak. A formless energy then enveloped her. Qin Wentian's silhouette flashed as he directly embraced her, while frenziedly infusing life energy into her body, wanting to extend her ruined vitality.

“Why must you do this?” Qin Wentian felt some pain in his heart. Even though he didn't feel too much emotion for Beauty Xiao, he still found this hard to bear.

“Because, it is worth it. Let me vanish just like this, I don't wish to see my body being ravaged by time in the future. I want to leave this world in my prettiest, most beautiful state.” Beauty Xiao's

voice sounded exceptionally relaxed. Her beautiful eyes were still filled with charm and luster. But this luster felt like the last hint of radiance, about to fade away at any moment.

“This time around, I finally made the right choice.” Beauty Xiao’s beautiful eyes shifted away from Qin Wentian, slowly glancing up at the sky. The sky that was painted red by streaks of lifire, was like the color of the setting sun. Right now, this scene in Beauty Xiao’s eyes felt exceptionally beautiful.

Her beautiful eyes slowly closed quietly. She didn’t feel any pain. Being able to step into death like this, she was already extremely satisfied. She has finally ended her life that was filled with the contempt of others as well as humiliation.

Qin Wentian saw true peace on her features. His heart had no way to calm down, even though nothing could be seen from his external appearance, his heart suddenly felt seized by an intense feeling of vengeance. This feeling of vengeance transformed into towering fires of rage. He inclined his head and stared at the Lifire Empyrean. Only killing intent could be seen in the Qin Wentian at this moment.

A bright light flashed. Beauty Xiao’s body gradually vanished within the bright glare of the light. Just like what she had requested, she had left this world in her prettiest state.

Qin Wentian stood straight, a terrifying storm manifested around him, threatening to rend everything apart. His silhouette flashed as he vanished completely from sight. In the next instant, a spatial prison appeared, enveloping the space around him and the Lifire Empyrean. Numerous dharma arms materialized, launching palm attacks imbued with the power of God’s Hand. His sword qi river seethed and surged, the sounds of buddhic chants filled the air, giving birth to buddhic light, including a spatial energy that twisted everything.

The Lifire Empyrean folded ancient imprints, unleashing the lifire palm strikes along with the lifire dragons. Their attacks clashed against each other violently, causing the entire space to tremble. Flames kept falling from the sky, burying this sealed space with fire. The eyes of the Lifire Empyrean also flickered with a fearsome killing intent.

Their battle caused the nearby surroundings to rumble. Even the Lifire Clone joined in. However, before it could do so, Di Tian already moved to block it. Boundless strands of sealing light shot towards the Lifire Clone, sealing the space it was in. After being separated from the Lifire Grand Formation’s dimension, the Lifire Clone was clearly weakened by several times. It had no way to break free from Di Tian’s seals.

The eyes revealed by the masked Di Tian were exceptionally cold. His hands folded gestures as numerous sealing gates blasted out towards the Lifire Clone. Gradually, the Lifire Clone grew smaller in size as the energy within it depleted. Finally, when the last sealing gate slammed into it, the Lifire Clone was directly devoured into the gate of sealing, vanishing from sight.

“The Lifire Clone was destroyed by Di Tian. How powerful.” The hearts of everyone trembled. Right now, they had been shocked so many times that they were already somewhat numb.

On the other side, Qin Wentian was madly clashing against the Lifire Empyrean. This time around, Qin Wentian was truly enraged. That magnificent figure was angered for the sake of beauty. Everyone didn't know what the relationship was between Qin Wentian and Beauty Xiao but after they saw that scene earlier, all of them were moved by it. They didn't expect Beauty Xiao, who had an unsavoury reputation, would actually be willing to die for Qin Wentian. Not only so, she died in peace, she was really satisfied.

Maybe, she has finally found what she wanted. No matter what sort of person she was before, she deserved respect from everyone.

“Qin Wentian had comprehended the source origins of many laws. The Lifire Empyrean has been in the empyrean realm for many years, his comprehension should be deeper. But it seems that he could only contend against Qin Wentian due to the boost in power from the Lifire Grand Formation and his Lifire Clone. But now, the Lifire Clone is already destroyed and the Lifire Grand Formation was in danger of being sealed away. Fighting against Qin Wentian like this, the Lifire Empyrean actually was inferior in comparison.

Many people stared at the battle, and felt that they could already predict the ending. The Lifire Empyrean wasn't even a match for a single Qin Wentian, let alone with the addition of Di Tian.

At the next moment, resplendent light produced by the source origin of the laws of light radiated from Qin Wentian brilliantly, resembling divine fire. Each and every one of his attacks contained supreme might that could penetrate everything. Right now, whoever got close to Qin Wentian would be burned to nothingness by the intensity of the light radiating from him.

Di Tian's silhouette flashed. He stood in the air as boundless sealing light enveloped this space, isolating the power from the Lifire Grand Formation. The lifire dragons roared but they soon became trapped in the individual sealing prisons created by Di Tian. Di Tian's eyes could seal this sky, the trapped dragons struggled violently but there was nothing they could do after their source of power was cut off. The Lifire Empyrean also grew weaker and weaker due to the Lifire Grand Formation being isolated. He coughed out blood after being struck by one of Qin Wentian's attack.

The Lifire Emyrean turned pale. His silhouette flashed, wanting to flee the battlefield, yet he only saw Di Tian directly descending before him. Chains radiating sealing energy that were in the form of diagrams, sealed this entire space as they blasted towards the Lifire Emyrean.

The Lifire Emyrean howled in rage, he just avoided Qin Wentian's attack only to face Di Tian's attacks. A sealing chain flashed like lightning, instantly locking his arm. Runes of sealing seeped from it, extending towards the rest of his body.

"BOOM, BOOM, BOOM!" The numerous sealing chain diagrams directly locked down the Lifire Emyrean in a few short moments. If Qin Wentian was still here, he wouldn't be trapped by these chains so easily. But who could he blame?

If it wasn't for the fact that the Lifire Emyrean infuriated Qin Wentian completely and threatened Di Tian, the two of them would never have joined forces.

"BOOM!" A fist of divine radiance directly pierced a hole through the Lifire Emyrean's shoulder blade. A low-sounding roar of pain echoed out, as more sealing diagrams entered his body, wanting to completely seal his energy.

Qin Wentian stretched out his hand, grabbing the other arm of the Lifire Emyrean. With an intention of will, boundless motes of light converged into a sharp sword that slashed out, completely destroying that arm.

"Torturing him till he is dead?" At this moment, although the crowd was already numb, they still couldn't help but feel their hearts pounding. The Lifire Emyrean, the sovereign of this place, the Palace Lord of this world palace, was actually in such a state.

Before this, all of them felt that the chances of the Lifire Emyrean being the final victor was greater. But who would have thought that the ending would bring such shock to everyone?

If the Lifire Emyrean didn't use despicable methods and used Beauty Xiao and Di Tian's subordinates to threaten them, Qin Wentian would have fought him alone. The Lifire Emyrean had his strength greatly boosted by the Lifire Grand Formation and also had a Lifire Clone. How could he not be able to deal with a single emyrean? If he could win against Qin Wentian, he would kill him and target Di Tian next.

Sadly, he made a wrong move. This wrong move he made had completely enraged Qin Wentian. It also made Di Tian not want to give him any more chances. Hence, the two of them joined forces and the powerful Lifire Emyrean was completely unable to resist.

“ARGH!” Another scream rang out. The other arm of the Lifire Emyrean was crushed. His face contorted into an extremely malevolent expression. He could not accept such an ending.

Who was he? He was the king on the throne of this entire vast stretch of territories, a direct subordinate of the Lifelong Realmlord. Was he really going to die to two juniors who recently became famous tens of years ago?

Back then, he only treated Qin Wentian as a chess piece. But now, this chess piece was torturing him before killing him!

“BOOM!” Another punch flew out, blasting through the Lifire Emyrean’s chest, destroying the interior of his body. The malevolent expression on the Lifire Emyrean’s face was replaced by terror. He finally understood what his fate would be. He stared at Qin Wentian with eyes full of despair.

“BOOM, BOOM, BOOM!” Qin Wentian vented all his emotions out, launching strike after strike. The Lifire Emyrean was no longer in a humanly-recognizable form.

“Spare me please!” The Lifire Emyrean screamed. The powerful him, the prideful him, was actually begging for mercy.

“BOOM!” Another destructive strike blasted out. Under the despair-filled gaze of the Lifire Emyrean, this strike directly blasted towards his brain. Under the radiance of the light, his body shattered as his soul dissipated bit by bit. The last thought he had was what would have happened if back then those years ago, he didn’t imprison Ye Qianyu and had chosen to give her to Qin Wentian instead.

In that case, would history be rewritten?

Would everything develop towards another ending?

Would Qin Wentian be willing to be used by him?

There were no 'what ifs,' everything was already fixed.

The Lifire Empyrean had died, the skies of the Lifire Palace changed!

Chapter 1664: Successor to the Lifire Palace Lord's Position

The sealing might in the air dissipated. The sky that was streaked with red lifire, also reverted to its normal color. The Lifire Grand Formation fell to silence, no longer providing bursts of energy, sending it over to here.

Under the sunlight, a cool breeze could be felt, alleviating the warm temperature, causing everyone's hair to flutter.

However, at this moment, Lifire City had completely changed. Countless people were gathered here at the northern city regions but there was only dead silence. Their gazes all turned to a certain direction, the direction where the Lifire Empyrean vanished, which was also the location where Qin Wentian stood arrogantly.

His long robes fluttered with the wind, Qin Wentian quietly stood in the air. His aura had dissipated but it did nothing to mask his absolute magnificence. After everyone saw this scene, they understood that even without Di Tian, Qin Wentian alone was sufficient to win against the Lifire Empyrean. Maybe, it might not be as easy for him to do so, but the final ending wouldn't change.

This domineering governor was the symbol of faith and conviction for the northern governor's manor. He was as glorious as he was in the past. He might only appear in the vision of the public rarely but every time he did so, he would definitely cause earth-shattering levels of commotion. The commotion this time would surely sweep over the boundlessly vast territories controlled by the Lifire Palace, in addition to rocking many places in the Lifelong Realm.

This battle would become a battle that proclaimed him as a god, far more impressive compared to the competition between the nine world palaces at the grand banquet years ago.

In this battle, he killed the Lifire Empyrean.

The troops of the northern governor's manor stared at the figure in white who was standing in the air and their gazes were filled with awe, like they were looking upon a god. They thought that this governor whom they respected, would surely die today. Who would have expected such a situation?

From this moment onwards, the reverence in their hearts towards Qin Wentian was like the reverence towards a divinity.

Jialan Jiangshan and the others of the Jialan Clan stared at the figure in white whose magnificence knew no bounds. The Jialan Clan had tried to sue for peace with Qin Wentian multiple times but it has always been rejected. They felt that Qin Wentian was far too proud and didn't know the immensity of the heavens and earth. However, what about now?

Their Jialan Clan used all sorts of methods, wanting to knock the Lifire Empyrean down from his position. Today, the Lifire Empyrean finally fell. Not only did he fall from his position, he was even killed in public and their Jialan Clan had participated in that. However, none of them felt any joy or excitement. Instead, they felt a sense of worry pressing down on their hearts.

Today, everyone thought that this would be a battle where Di Tian allied with the Jialan Clan to take down the Lifire Empyrean. However, the situation that occurred clearly surpassed everyone's imagination. What secrets were there within this exactly? Nobody knew anything. Even the Jialan Clan couldn't see through the murk.

They didn't know what would happen after the Lifire Empyrean had died. What attitude would the Realmlord have? Who would be the new Lifire Palace Lord?

Nobody could be sure but no matter what, there's no doubt that the possibility of Jialan Jiangshan becoming the new palace lord was extremely slim. Because, during the gambling battle, their Jialan Clan was being made use of like chess pieces and Jialan Jiangshan himself was even defeated. After being made use of in addition to being a loser, would he have the qualifications to become the Lifire Palace Lord? Would he have the qualifications to win the Realmlord's trust? Would the Realmlord use such a man and incur the ridicules and gossips of others?

The people of the Emperor Pavilion stared at Di Tian. To this pavilion lord of theirs, they were filled with adoration and worship. He and Qin Wentian could definitely stand alongside with each other as equals. Also, no matter what secrets were hidden in the situation today, there was no doubt that their pavilion lord Di Tian had guided everything. He was truly a spiritual character of their Emperor Pavilion.

Zhuge Xiong's arms were crippled. He stared at everything as he sighed in his heart. He had always been intelligent but had still fallen so low today. Everything, was because of a single person – Qin Wentian.

Who would have expected that he actually grew so strong to this extent in just the blink of an eye? If they could predict this, the Lifire Empyrean back then wouldn't have made use of Qin Wentian at all, he would directly finish him off.

However, no matter what everyone else thought, the Qin Wentian now didn't feel any joy from the victory. He turned his glance over to the location where Beauty Xiao vanished. It was a long time before he spoke again.

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From the deactivation of the Lifire Grand Formation as well as the vanishing of the reddened sky, everyone in Lifire City knew that the battle had already ended. They just didn't know what the ending was like.

Who was it that could force the Lifire Empyrean to such an extent in Lifire City?

Right now, for those who dared to challenge the palace lord's prestige should have been dead already, right?

The Lifire Empyrean had personally acted, dying the sky red with the activation of the grand formation. How could his opponents still be alive?

At this moment, a voice rang out in the minds of quite a few people. After that, they took out their messaging crystal and started to converse. Swiftly after, a thunderbolt roared in their minds, causing their hearts to be filled with endless shock.

“The Emperor Pavilion Lord, Supervisory Commander Di Tian, had joined forces with Northern Governor Qin Wentian and killed the Lifire Empyrean in the airspace above the northern governor's manor!”

This news, once circulated around, shocked the entire world. The news spread at a terrifying speed, soon even travelling beyond the territories of the Lifire Palace.

An earthquake-level commotion shook the entire Lifire City as countless people obtained the news. The Lifire Emphyrean led his troops under a circumstance where there were no proof, wanting to frame and kill Governor Qin Wentian. However, Di Tian and the Jialan Clan arrived to stop the Lifire Emphyrean. Both sides started fighting and as the grand battle started, the Lifire Emphyrean activated the Lifire Grand Formation and defeated Jialan Jiangshan.

At this moment, the northern governor Qin Wentian suddenly erupted forth with emphyrean-level strength. At the end, he joined forces with Di Tian to finish the Lifire Emphyrean off.

Everyone in Lifire City came to a realization. The skies of Lifire City were changing.

The people in the Lifire Palace naturally also received this news. When they learned that the Lifire Emphyrean had fallen, their hearts were completely stunned before terror and despair appeared on their faces. This was especially so after they knew that the Lifire Emphyrean had used Beauty Xiao to threaten Qin Wentian, which eventually led to this ending. They instantly contacted the Lifelong Saint Hall and many people rushed to the teleportation array inside the palace and teleported to Lifelong City directly.

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The speed which the Lifelong Saint Hall received news wasn't any slower than the Lifire Palace. In the Lifelong Saint Hall, the Lifelong Realmlord was currently sitting inside a great hall as he heard the reports. He learned that both Qin Wentian and Di Tian had broken through to the emphyrean realm and had even joined forces to easily crush the Lifire Emphyrean. Even he couldn't help but feel startled. He, who was a world overlord, naturally had seen many geniuses before. But even so, he was shocked.

This time around, there were two extraordinary geniuses that actually appeared in Lifire City. Also, these two were individuals he met before. They had both displayed their brilliance in the grand banquet hosted those years ago. Who would have thought that in a mere tens of years, they were actually already capable of pulling the Lifire Emphyrean down from his throne.

"What do you all think?" After hearing all the reports, the Realmlord glanced at the experts before him as he asked.

"This subordinate feels that everything is nothing but a scene directed by supervisory commander Di Tian. Realmlord, you personally conferred to him his position. He is truly an extraordinary

character with formidable methods. Even that crafty old fox Jialan Jiangshang and the entire force of the Jialan Clan were used by him as chess pieces. What's even more ridiculous is that the Jialan Clan still thought this was an opportunity for them, feeling that Di Tian has fallen for their young miss, Jialan Qiuyue. The entire Jialan Clan was played for fools by Di Tian." A person laughed.

"Not only the Jialan Clan, before Di Tian revealed his strength, everyone was ignorant about this. This move by him pulled the wool over everyone's eyes. They felt that he was helping the Jialan Clan to seize power, collaborating with them to deal with the Lifire Empyrean. Who would have thought that he had such ambitions, stirring up things on both sides, eventually allowing him to become the fisherman that benefits from the troubled waters." Another person stated.

"In that case, what about Qin Wentian?" The Lifelong Realmlord asked. "Did Di Tian join forces with Qin Wentian? Is there some secret plot between them?"

"Maybe, but at the very least from the surface, we have no idea how strong Di Tian is exactly. If his strength alone wasn't sufficient to deal with the Lifire Empyrean, it's very possible that he had already made a secret arrangement with Qin Wentian. If not, after the Lifire Empyrean defeated Jialan Jiangshan, things would be extremely dire for them if they failed to deal with the Lifire Empyrean."

"Logical. I also felt that Di Tian did so. He is the mastermind behind everything. What a character." A person at the side nodded.

"Isn't he a little too scheming? His relationship with the Jialan Clan cannot be considered bad but he ruthlessly used them for the sake of ascension. He is a man that is determined to get what he seeks by fair or foul means." Another person shook his head in disapproval.

"Isn't such a thing very normal? For someone of his abilities, intelligence and talent, how is he willing to serve under others?"

"That's true. For people like him, if we use him well, he can be a sword that kills our enemies. But if we don't use it well, he would turn into a sword that hurt ourselves. Di Tian is a double-edged sword."

Everyone was deep in discussion, they didn't specifically state Di Tian's purpose as there was no need to do so as well. Such deep schemes and with so many arrangements. Other than obtaining the Lifire Palace Lord's position, what else could he want?

“Realmlord, what do you think?” Everyone turned their gazes to the Lifelong Realmlord only to see him laughing, “Let’s wait for them to come here and seek forgiveness before making a decision.”

Everyone nodded. Very swiftly, someone came to report that there were people from the Lifire Palace who were begging for an audience., The Lifelong Realmlord directly rejected it.

The winner becomes king while the losers were vilified. The Lifire Empyrean was the hegemon of a stretch of territories but was actually killed by his own subordinates. Can he expect the Lifelong Realmlord to clean up after him? What status did the Realmlord have? He naturally didn’t have the time nor inclination to do such things.

Although the Lifire Empyrean was the hegemon of a boundlessly vast region and had a high status, to him, the Lifire Empyrean was nothing but a subordinate. If this subordinate died for him, he could make arrangements to clean things up. However, the Lifire Empyrean died so pathetically despite trying to frame and kill one of his own subordinates. Since this is the case, since he died, just let him be dead. He will simply find a more capable person to take over the Lifire Palace Lord’s position.

Right right now, he did have candidates to choose from. The victors of this battle had clearly proven that they were more outstanding than the Lifire Empyrean.

Just like what the Lifelong Realmlord had predicted, Di Tian, the Jialan Clan, and Qin Wentian all quickly came to the Lifelong Saint Hall to beg for an audience with him. The purpose of their arrival was naturally to seek forgiveness for their crimes.

After killing one of the nine world palace lords that was his direct subordinate, they naturally had to give him an explanation!

Chapter 1665: Who is the successor?

The Lifelong Saint Hall, inside the ancient hall, the Realmlord was seated on the throne. He exuded majesty and there were two rows of experts at the empyrean level before him. They stood there with solemn expressions, giving off a huge sense of pressure.

Qin Wentian, Di Tian and Jialan Jiangshan all stood in the front most row with many others behind them. Some of the people behind them were Sun Qian, Lin Ba, Zhuge Xiong, etc. These were all witnesses of the incident and naturally had to come.

“We pay our respects to Realmlord.” All of them bowed. Regardless of whether they were sincere or not, at the very least, a respectful expression could be seen on their faces now.

The Lifelong Realmlord didn't say anything, he simply stared at them. The people standing all lowered their heads and after that, Di Tian took the lead and spoke, “Supervisory Commander of the Lifire Palace, Di Tian, begs your eminence for forgiveness.”

“Oh? What crime did you commit?” The Realmlord's voice turned cold, no longer as casual as how he chatted with the others in this great hall before their arrival. However, a heavy pressure could be felt within his casual tone.

“In Lifire City, the Lifire Emyrean had designs on Governor Qin, wanting to frame the death of a monarch onto him, using this excuse as he sought the death of Governor Qin. After I received news from central governor of the Lifire Palace, Sun Qian, and after joining forces with Jialan Jiangshan I immediately rushed over, wanting to stop the Lifire Emyrean. However, the Lifire Emyrean was extremely tyrannical, treating all of us as traitors and wanting to slaughter everyone there. Helplessly, we could only choose to act together and killed the Lifire Emyrean. Realmlord, please forgive us.” Di Tian bowed very low.

Although his words sounded logical, it was still a fact that he killed one of the world palace lords and did so before he informed his intentions up to the Lifelong Saint Hall. This was simply acting first and reporting later.

“You've already killed him before coming to beg for forgiveness. Acting first and making a report after? Although I conferred upon you the position of the supervisory commander, when had I ever given you the authority to kill my world palace lords?” The voice of the Realmlord was ice-cold as a formless pressure bore down on Di Tian.

“Realmlord, the situation at that time was extremely tense and the Lifire Emyrean had already gone crazy, using the lives of others to threaten me. If we didn't kill him, a scene of massacre would definitely happen. Given the Lifire Emyrean's strength, other than a few people, no one else would be able to block him if he wanted to start a massacre.” Di Tian kept his back bowed as he replied.

“In that case, you were acting for justice and were helping me to clean my subordinates up?” The Lifelong Realmlord coldly snorted.

“Your subordinate doesn’t dare to.” Di Tian lowered his head even more. The Realmlord snorted, how would he not be able to tell that Di Tian was putting up a play? He had even brought members from the Xuanyuan Clan, Jialan Clan and many others from major powers in Lifelong City to act as his witnesses that his slaying the Lifire Emphyrean was an act that was necessary.

“You don’t dare to? You are truly audacious!” The Realmlord coldly snapped. “From now onwards, your position as the supervisory commander of the Lifire Palace will be stripped. Also for the lack of tax contribution during the development of your Emperor Pavilion, you are to pay out ten times the amount of tax you didn’t pay through these years. Any objections?”

“Your subordinate will comply.” Di Tian nodded respectfully.

“Jialan Jiangshan.” The Realmlord then turned his gaze towards Jialan Jiangshan as he coldly spoke. “What about you? Back then when you contended against the Lifire Emphyrean for authority, I had always closed one eye. Today, who gave you the guts to directly kill one of my direct subordinates? One of the nine world palace lords?”

“Jialan knows my crime.” Jialan Jiangshan didn’t dare to explain. Right now, no one knew what the Realmlord was thinking.

“In the future when you do things, use more of your brains.” The Realmlord coldly spoke. Jialan Jiangshan turned pale. The Realmlord was mocking him.

As the true master of the Jialan Clan that was at the emphyrean realm, he had lived for so many years but ended up being used by a junior like Di Tian. It was truly brainless. The Realmlord’s mockery was nothing much because it’s true that all the Jialan Clan’s effort this time around, ended up benefiting someone else.

Lastly, the Realmlord turned to Qin Wentian and spoke, “Governor Qin, you are the most innocent out of all. You were narrowly framed and killed, it must have been tough on you. Beauty Xiao also died because of this. It’s understandable about why you acted to kill the Lifire Emphyrean.”

“Many thanks Realmlord.” Qin Wentian bowed.

The Lifelong Realmlord shifted his eyes away and glanced at everyone gathered below him, “The Lifire Emphyrean acted too tyrannical and should have been punished indeed. Since he has already

died, just forget everything then. Zhuge Xiong instigated his palace lord to break the laws. Since this is the case, he ought to die as well. Men, drag him out and execute him.”

“Reamlord, I know my mistakes!” Zhuge Xiong howled but he was forcibly dragged away by the Reamlord’s subordinates despite his pleading. This caused the hearts of everyone to tremble. The Reamlord was establishing his might using Zhuge Xiong to remind them all.

Very swiftly, a scream of misery rang out from the outside. Zhuge Xiong had been executed.

“Right now, the Lifire Palace is like a group of dragons without a leader. What do you all think?” The Reamlord swept his gaze at everyone here as he asked.

Right now, the great hall had fallen silent. This was the question everyone wanted to know the answer to.

Next, who would take over the Lifire Palace Lord’s position?

“Reamlord, how about sending someone from the Lifelong Saint Hall to take over the Lifire Palace Lord’s position?” A subordinate beside the Reamlord’s throne suggested.

“Reamlord, your subordinate has a suggestion.” At this moment, Di Tian spoke out.

“Speak.” The Lifelong Reamlord turned to Di Tian, as Di Tian continued, “I believe that the new palace lord should be either Senior Jialan or Governor Qin. The successor should be chosen between them two. Everyone knows that Senior Jialan had been putting in all his efforts to work for the Reamlord all these years, given the authority the Jialan Clan wields in Lifire City, in addition to the fact that one of the Jialan Clan’s members had also served as one of the nine monarchs before, Senior Jialan is extremely familiar with operations and is an extremely suitable choice as a successor.”

“And for Governor Qin, he himself is originally the northern city governor of the Lifire Palace. His control over the northern city regions is absolute and everyone in his governor’s manor respects him very much. If he takes over the position, everyone in the city would be satisfied and submit to his authority. He is also a very suitable candidate for a successor.”

In any case, the possibility of Qin Wentian being chosen was extremely great as he himself was already a governor and had displayed empyrean-level strength now. He was also the party that was

the most passive and innocent in this entire affair. The only stain he had now was that he still had not been cleared of the suspicion of killing the Jialan Monarch.”

“Logical words. What about you? As the supervisory commander, your investigations revealed Xia Hou and Yin Qiu’s problems and now, you have also stopped the Lifire Empyrean’s killing of Governor Qin in time. This can also be considered an achievement of great merit. Also, given the current influence your Emperor Pavilion has in Lifire City, wouldn’t it be more suitable for you to take over as the Lifire Palace Lord?” The Realmlord stared at Di Tian as he spoke, a playful tone could be heard in his voice.

“Your subordinate dares not think too much about that possibility.” Di Tian lowered his head.

“You don’t dare?” The Realmlord and his subordinates around him all stared at Di Tian. This fellow recommended Jialan Jiangshan and Qin Wentian right off the bat, he didn’t want anyone from the Lifelong Saint Hall to be transferred over to take the Lifire Palace Lord’s position. It was obvious that he wanted the Realmlord to pick a candidate from the three of them. Right at the start, he left out himself in the recommendations but in reality, none of the two he recommended had a better reason than him. He, Di Tian, was the key behind this entire plan of killing the Lifire Empyrean. When speaking of merit, his merit is naturally higher than the other two who were merely being used.

“What a sly fellow.” Everyone mused, silently cursing at Di Tian’s craftiness, advancing in the guise of a retreat. His talent was so high yet he was still so crafty. No wonder the Lifire Empyrean was played to death by his schemes.

Di Tian lowered his head and no longer spoke. His purpose was precisely to let everyone think that he was a crafty and scheming fellow. He wanted them to think that he had plotted everything out, strategizing the Lifire Empyrean’s death step by step all for the sake of him ascending to the Palace Lord’s position. Hence, he didn’t mask his intents at all.

The Realmlord would only dare to use people with flaws. If the Realmlord knows of his connection with Qin Wentian and felt that Qin Wentian had a part to play in the schemes as well, he definitely wouldn’t use either of them.

Right now, no matter how the Realmlord chooses, both him and Qin Wentian had a much higher probability of being chosen compared to Jialan Jiangshan. In fact, the possibility of him being chosen was higher because the Realmlord felt that Qin Wentian was Ancient Emperor Yi’s disciple.

“Qin Wentian, you will temporarily replaced Zhuge Xiong as the grand governor and settle everything that needs to be settled in the Lifire Palace. Organize the people probably.” The Lifelong Realmlord commanded.

“Yes, Realmlord.” Qin Wentian’s expression didn’t changed. He bowed and accepted the order, as low-profile as ever.

“Alright, all of you can disperse for now and wait for my orders.” The Lifelong Realmlord waved his hands in dismissal. This was also something they had predicted. The Realmlord would at most only punish them on the surface. After all, it was true that the Lifire Emyrean had made a mistake and they had settled things beautifully. There was nothing more the Realmlord could say.

After Qin Wentian and the others left, the Realmlord stared at the subordinates around him as one of them laughed, “Realmlord, this Di Tian is truly a character. If he can be loyal to you, you can consider him to take over the Lifire Palace Lord’s position.”

“I’ll consider things a little more.”

The Realmlord stood up and walked out from the great hall, arriving at an elegant courtyard.

Not long after, the Realmlord sat there, enjoying food with beautiful wine and there were even beauties before him presenting their dance. These beauties were none other than the people from the Red Dust Immortal Palace, Ye Qianyu was also among them.

Beside him, Beiming Youhuang silently stood there, watching the dance as well.

The Lifelong Realmlord slowly sipped his wine as his gaze focused on a beautiful figure out of all the dancers. A trace of heat could be seen in his gaze and after a long time, the dance stopped but he still didn’t say anything, only continuing to drink his wine. After another long period of time, he finally spoke, “The Lifire Emyrean is dead, killed by Qin Wentian.”

Ye Qianyu and Beiming Youhuang both trembled as their hearts were rocked by waves of shock.

Ye Qianyu didn’t feel that it was strange for Qin Wentian to kill the Lifire Emyrean, she knew this would happen sooner or later. It was just that she didn’t expect this to occur so fast. Her beautiful eyes stared at the Lifelong Realmlord, she didn’t know if this matter would place Qin Wentian in danger or not.

“Don’t you have anything you wish to say?” The Realmlord asked Ye Qianyu.

“Realmlord, what do you want me to say?” Ye Qianyu replied softly.

“There are people recommending him for the position of the Lifire Palace Lord. However, I’m thinking that he killed the Lifire Emyrean because of you. In that case, when he grows strong enough in the future, wouldn’t he target to kill me as well?” The Realmlord stated, looking at Ye Qianyu. His words caused Ye Qianyu to turn pale. If the Realmlord thought this way, Qin Wentian would truly be in danger.

“Realmlord, you are not the Lifire Emyrean. Leaving aside your strength and status, just based on the fact that Realmlord has never made things difficult for me before, Qin Wentian would only feel gratitude towards you. Why would he have that sort of thinking?” Ye Qianyu hesitated for a moment before she replied.

Chapter 1666: Realmlord’s thoughts

The Realmlord looked at Ye Qianyu’s eyes. After that, he smiled, “Do you really think so?”

Ye Qianyu didn’t match the Realmlord’s gaze. She lowered her head and smiled, “Naturally. If not, what does the Realmlord think?”

The Lifelong Realmlord laughed and drank another mouthful of wine. He then suddenly asked, “Are you willing to belong to me?”

Ye Qianyu’s body trembled, she shook her head soon after and replied, “This lowly servant is not fortunate enough, how can I be worthy of the Realmlord?”

“What if I said that you are worthy enough?” The Realmlord asked again.

“Realmlord, you should understand to whom my heart already belongs to.” Ye Qianyu raised her head, staring at the Lifelong Realmlord. At this moment, her beautiful eyes didn’t mask her emotions, matching gazes with the Realmlord.

The Lifelong Realmlord looked at her and laughed, "I understand your emotions now. I believe that you are truly sincere towards Qin Wentian and everything you do and every word you speak, are for his own good. You are dismissed for now."

"Yes, Realmlord." Ye Qianyu bowed before grouping up with the other maidens from the Red Dust Immortal Palace as they left the area.

After they left, the Lifelong Realmlord drank alone. All of a sudden, he turned to Beiming Youhuang and spoke, "Youhuang, take a seat."

"I don't dare to." Beiming Youhuang shook her head.

"If I tell you to sit, just sit." The Lifelong Realmlord spoke somewhat unhappily. Beiming Youhuang hesitated for a moment before walking to a seat beside the Lifelong Realmlord as she sat down.

"Refill the wine for me." The Realmlord spoke. Beiming Youhuang's hands trembled a little but she complied with the order. Her actions were extremely calm, just like her person,

"Do you understand the meaning behind my conversation with Ye Qianyu?" The Lifelong Realmlord gazed at her.

Only to see Beiming Youhuang nodding lightly as she coldly spoke, "Realmlord has killing intent towards my junior apprentice brother."

The Lifelong Realmlord laughed. He stared at the side-profile of Beiming Youhuang's face and replied, "Originally, I shouldn't be so calculative towards a subordinate. Also, in the earlier meeting with the people from the Lifire Palace, Qin Wentian is the only one I didn't criticize. But in truth, he is the one I'm most worried about. For Ye Qianyu, he could keep a low-profile for so many years, enduring everything until he has the strength to kill the Lifire Empyrean. In that case, would he act against me, the Lifelong Realmlord after he grows strong enough in the future?"

"So, Realmlord told Ye Qianyu to choose. If Ye Qianyu chose to belong to you, maybe Realmlord would prepare to kill my junior apprentice brother right away." Beiming Youhuang's eyes flickered with coldness, staring at the Lifelong Realmlord. Upon staring at the cold look in his eyes, the Lifelong Realmlord wasn't angered. He smiled, "Ye Qianyu has rejected the offer I made her. I also

believe that she is an intelligent woman and knows what to do for the sake of Qin Wentian. But now, I'm still hesitating.”

“I don't understand.” Beiming Youhuang shook her head. “Why is Realmlord treating my junior apprentice brother this way? Right from the start, you have been wary about him.”

“Where is your master now?” The Lifelong Realmlord suddenly asked, his words causing Beiming Youhuang to start. She didn't have any master but at this moment, she suddenly thought of the undying old freak she met in the forbidden grounds of the Darknorth Immortal Mountain Range those years ago. It was only because of him that she was acquainted with Qin Wentian and they can be considered fellow disciples in some perspective. Since the Realmlord asked this, she replied, “Master is as elusive as a divine dragon, extremely inscrutable. I also have no idea where is he now.”

“Do you really not know why I've always been wary against Qin Wentian?” The Lifelong Realmlord stared fixedly at Beiming Youhuang. Beiming Youhuang didn't evade his gaze, she shook her head in confusion.

“Right now, there are people recommending Qin Wentian for the Lifire Palace Lord's position, there are also people who recommend me to guard against him. I'm currently considering what decision to make. In any case, he is your junior apprentice brother. What do you suggest?” The Lifelong Realmlord asked as he stared at Beiming Youhuang,

“I naturally hope that Realmlord will place my junior brother in an important position. I also believe that if he can be a world palace lord, he would definitely do his tasks well.” Beiming Youhuang directly replied.

“Allowing him to assume the position of one of the world palace lords?” The Lifelong Realmlord muttered. Yi's disciple again...It wasn't impossible to allow Qin Wentian to become the Lifire Palace Lord despite that, the Gemini World Palace's palace lords are already Yi's disciples. He had to make the relationship between him and Yi to be closer before this can be done.

“I heard that you and your junior apprentice brother has a very close relationship. Those years back then, for the sake of rescuing you, he barged alone into Jialan Emperor City and almost died before he was saved by Ye Qianyu. If he really becomes the Lifire Palace Lord, Ye Qianyu cannot remain in the Lifelong Saint Hall, I don't want to be like the Lifire Empyrean and cause my direct subordinate to hate me.” The Lifelong Realmlord laughed. Beiming Youhuang's eyes flickered with a bright light when she heard that.

This meant that if Qin Wentian becomes the Lifire Palace Lord, Ye Qianyu would be released from here. This would truly be a perfect ending. Qin Wentian would surely be very happy, right?

Staring at the light flickering in Beiming Youhuang's eyes, the Lifelong Realmlord laughed as he asked, "Youhuang, you have already been around me for sometime. In the future, are you willing to serve me? Are you willing to be my woman?"

Beiming Youhuang felt her heart trembling after she heard this. Her beautiful eyes involuntarily flashed. She stared at the Lifelong Realmlord only to see the Realmlord looking back at her with a warm smile in his eyes, as though he was speaking of an insignificant thing. Despite so, the words he had spoken caused great waves to rise up in Beiming Youhuang's heart.

In the next instant, she thought of many things and soon realized the Lifelong Realmlord's intentions. He didn't act like the Lifire Emyrean and didn't plan to use Ye Qianyu as a hostage to threaten Qin Wentian. In fact, since he was planning to use Qin Wentian, he didn't mind releasing Ye Qianyu for goodwill. But even so, he still felt worry. He wanted to pull their relationship closer, hence he asked her that question.

After all, Beiming Youhuang was different from Ye Qianyu, she was the senior apprentice sister of Qin Wentian. If his senior apprentice sister became the Realmlord's woman, wouldn't the Realmlord's relationship with Qin Wentian become much closer than before?

Beiming Youhuang didn't know that the Realmlord was considering things from another angle. From his perspective, he naturally didn't want to place Qin Wentian in an important position but there was no way for him to really act against Qin Wentian. After all, Qin Wentian's 'master,' was also at the world overlord level, the same level of existence as him. But if he really used Qin Wentian, he would feel unhappy in his heart. After all, the Gemini World Palace Lords are already disciples of Yi. Right now, did he really have to give another world palace lord's position to another disciple of Yi?

This was why he wanted Beiming Youhuang to become his woman. His thought process was that since I allowed one of your disciples to become a world palace lord, let the other become my woman then.

In addition, he wouldn't force her. If Beiming Youhuang rejected him, he wouldn't mind it at all.

Many scenes flashed through Beiming Youhuang's mind. That year in the past, if it wasn't for her, Qin Wentian wouldn't have barged into Jialan Emperor City and Ye Qianyu wouldn't have been captured. Qin Wentian wouldn't have been forced into this pool of troubled waters at all. Also, he

used a mere tens of years to reach the same level as the Lifire Emphyrean. What would his future hold?

She wanted to see how far Qin Wentian could walk on the path of cultivation.

“Okay!” A smile appeared on Beiming Youhuang’s face, the coldness in her eyes vanished in an instant, and became filled with warmth and gentleness. This transformation caused the Reamlord to be stunned. To think that an ice beauty like Beiming Youhuang would actually have this side to her. Also, her smile was extremely sincere, like this was what she wanted all along.

“Hahaha!” The Reamlord started laughing. He stared at the flawless countenance of Beiming Youhuang and continued, “Alright. Youhuang, the situation might be a little difficult for you...”

The Lifelong Reamlord long had an official wife. He couldn’t wed another one, he could only accept more concubines.

Beiming Youhuang didn’t mind it and gave a casual smile. She naturally didn’t mind it. Because, her heart was basically not in it at all.

“Temporarily, I won’t announce this matter. I will find a chance and organize a grand banquet to marry you as my concubine in glory.” The Reamlord warmly smiled. A disciple of Yi, although she might not know who her master was, he as the Lifelong Reamlord, wouldn’t mistreat her. He would respect her wishes.

Hence, even if Yi found out and was unhappy, there was nothing he could say.

“Mhm.” Beiming Youhuang nodded lightly. “I’ll go and rest for now.”

“Okay.” The Lifelong Reamlord smiled as he nodded. Beiming Youhuang turned and left. The expression in her eyes grew cold and calm again, with no waves of emotions fluctuating within.

Let her agreement to this be a repayment to ‘him’ then...

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Business continued as usual in the Lifelong Saint Hall. The death of a world palace lord didn't seem to have affected things too much.

However, the waves of the commotion of the Lifire Emyrean's death were still rumbling in Lifire City. All nine monarchs of the Lifire Palace actually already rushed to the Lifire Palace to wait for news.

After Qin Wentian and the rest returned, someone from the Lifelong Saint Hall relayed the Realmlord's order. Qin Wentian was to temporarily take over the grand governor's position and temporarily manage everything of the Lifire Palace. After the nine monarchs and especially the Lifire Emyrean's family, who were in the Lifire Palace heard that, their hearts all shook with terror.

Qin Wentian instantly ordered the Evil Emperor and central governor Sun Qian as well as eastern governor Lin Ba to lead their troops into the Lifire Palace and suppress the situation. Given Qin Wentian's current strength as well as the three imposing armies at the Lifire Palace, who would dare to resist?

Chaos manifested, experts fought everywhere. There were some close aides and clan members of the Lifire Emyrean who wanted to flee but they were all captured.

Qin Wentian stood arrogantly in the air, the pressure radiating from him extended in all directions. He then spoke, "For those who dare to resist, kill all without mercy."

His terrifying aura bore down on everyone inside the Lifire Palace, causing all the experts to tremble in fear. He then continued, "For everyone in the Lifire Palace, including the nine monarchs. None of you are allowed to take a single step out from the palace. For those who want to leave, you will need to obtain my permission first."

"What qualifications do you have to command us?" An expert shouted. Qin Wentian's eyes flashed. With a single gaze, a bright beam of light shot over, directly piercing through the person who questioned him. That person screamed in pain as the others trembled involuntarily.

"By the Realmlord's orders, I'm temporarily the grand governor of the Lifire Palace and will manage everything here. If there's someone who dares to question the Realmlord's authority, I won't show any mercy." Qin Wentian icily spoke. "Anyone else who is dissatisfied?"

Many people were naturally unsatisfied but none of them dared to speak out. Even for the nine monarchs, the majority of them were unhappy but who would dare to stand out? Their strength was clearly weaker. If Qin Wentian was still at the immortal emperor realm, they might have dared to contend against him. But now, Qin Wentian was already at the empyrean realm. All of them could only stare up at him.

This northern governor that the vast majority of people weren't familiar with, or at most have only seen him once, was now above everyone else in terms of position and status in Lifire City. In fact, he even had a possibility of becoming the Lifire Palace Lord.

"All governors station your troops around the palace. Without my orders, no one is to leave. Everyone is to wait in the Lifire Palace to wait for the Realmlord's further commands." Qin Wentian calmly stated. As long as he exercised strict control, there wouldn't be anyone daring to start a revolt during this sensitive time for the sake of obtaining revenge for the Lifire Emphyrean.

Right now, before the Realmlord made his decision on who should be the new Lifire Palace Lord, nobody would dare to act too brazenly. After all, until the very last moment, no one would know who the new Lifire Palace Lord was going to be!

Chapter 1667: The New Palace Lord

Di Tian was only punished slightly, Qin Wentian wasn't even punished and was temporarily granted the post of the grand governor, he now had the authority to manage everything in the Lifire Palace, causing shock to countless people. They were all speculating that it was highly possible for the new Lifire Palace Lord to be Qin Wentian.

After all, Qin Wentian originally was already the northern governor and his talent was extraordinary, able to fight against the Lifire Emphyrean solo.

Naturally, the possibility for Di Tian to take over was similarly high. Everything would be dependent on this two. Sometimes, everyone felt that maybe Grandmaster Di Tian didn't ally with Qin Wentian because if Qin Wentian didn't appear, Di Tian would definitely be the new Palace Lord.

Jialan Jiangshan was completely ignored and forgotten. Everyone understood that it was impossible for him to become the new Lifire Palace Lord.

At this moment, at the headquarters of Jialan Clan located in the northern city regions, the atmosphere was somewhat tense. Many people of the Jialan Clan gathered here. Jialan Yuntian sat in the lead seat and asked, “Any news from the Lifelong Saint Hall?”

“Not yet, everyone is still waiting.” A subordinate replied. “However, Qin Wentian’s possibility of becoming the new Palace Lord is extremely high along with Di Tian. Many people feel that the Realm Lord won’t directly send his people from the Lifelong Saint Hall to take over but would choose a candidate from the two of them.”

“Hmph.” A cold snort rang out. An elder of the Jialan Clan smashed a table before him and he had an ugly look on his face. “This time around, our Jialan Clan has been completely played by Di Tian. What a joke, during these ten years of the Emperor Pavilion’s development, we put in so much efforts but all of that was for nothing. All our sacrifices and effort turned out to benefit someone else instead.”

Everyone had heavy expressions on their faces. Many people glanced in Jialan Qiuyue’s direction only to see her standing up and speaking in a low voice, “I’m to blame for this matter. I must have been blinded and had implicated the clan.”

“Qiuyue, this matter has nothing to do with you. Before this, it was I who gave the order to befriend and recruit Di Tian.” Jialan Yuntian sighed. “Actually back then during the grand banquet, I’ve already sensed that something was amiss. At that time, I was already shocked and filled with wariness. It was just that despite my overestimation, I have still underestimated him. His growth is simply too fast, so fast to the extent that it’s unimaginable.”

“That’s right, who would have expected for him to breakthrough to the empyrean realm within a mere tens of years? If we knew about it, we would definitely have been more cautious during that last battle. Di Tian hid things too well.” Another person spoke. He then continued, “What should our attitude be when interacting with him in the future?”

Upon hearing these words, everyone fell silent. That’s right, what attitude should they have when interacting with Di Tian in the future?

Although they were used by Di Tian, Di Tian’s current status now was extraordinary. Just his strength alone was sufficient to set him apart from everyone. In addition, the Emperor Pavilion’s influence now wouldn’t be inferior to their Jialan Clan. If they became enemies with Di Tian, they would surely make an extremely terrifying enemy.

“Let’s wait for more news first.” Jialan Yuntian sighed softly. Right now, the matters about the Emperor Pavilion already weren’t at a level where he could decide things. Only his father, Jialan Jiangshan, could make the decisions.

Other than the Jialan Clan, the experts of the Emperor Pavilion were waiting for news as well. After the battle against the Lifire Empyrean, Di Tian’s fame surged to an unprecedented high. Right now, everyone viewed Di Tian like how they would view a god.

Not only them, everyone in Lifire City was waiting. A single thought of the Realm Lord would decide who the new Lifire Palace Lord was. This decision would affect the future of the Lifire Palace.

Today, the various governor manor’s troops were still stationed around the Lifire Palace. Everyone in the palace couldn’t calm down, all extremely nervous. There were also people who were filled with anticipation as they waited for the news. However, for the close aides and relatives of the Lifire Empyrean, they only felt terror and panic. They understood that regardless if it was Qin Wentian or Di Tian who assumed the position of the Lifire Palace Lord, their fates wouldn’t be good.

At this moment, a teleportation array within the Lifire Palace suddenly lit up. Resplendent light gleamed, illuminating its surroundings, attracting countless gazes over. Only people from the Lifelong Saint Hall could use this particular teleportation array that was located directly at the center of the Lifire Palace and it was very rare for them to do so. But now, the light from the teleportation array flashed brilliantly, attracting countless gazes over.

From within the teleportation array, a group of figures appeared. They directly soared up into the air as they radiated a sense of majesty. The person in the lead took out a command scroll and slowly opened it, emitting a brilliant radiance that cascaded down on everyone.

Each and every character on the command scroll was incomparably clear, manifesting themselves to be visible to everyone. Next, a person’s voice rang out after the characters manifested.

“By command of his eminence, the Lifelong Realm Lord, the position of the Lifire Palace Lord will be taken by the northern city governor, Qin Wentian. Qin Wentian, accept your orders.” The imposing voice read out the words in the air, causing the hearts of countless people to tremble, pounding wildly.

“Three days later, there will be people from the Lifelong Saint Hall coming here to officiate the ceremony and congratulate Palace Lord Qin. At the same time, the Realm Lord has also commanded

that a new position would be opened up. The position of the Vice Palace Lord will be given to Grandmaster Di Tian. At the same time, Di Tian shall hold the position of the grand governor as well as supervisory commander.”

As the sound of his voice faded, the entire Lifire Palace was so quiet that it was terrifying. Even a pin falling on the ground could be heard at this moment.

The new Palace Lord was none other than Qin Wentian while Di Tian was the Vice Palace Lord.

Finally, between Qin Wentian and Di Tian, the Lifelong Realmlord had chosen Qin Wentian. But for some reason, he had set up a new position, allowing Di Tian to become the Vice Palace Lord. The meaning behind this was unclear.

But in any case, from today onwards, Qin Wentian would become the Lifire Palace Lord, controlling a boundless stretch of territories with the governors and monarchs under him.

From today onwards, nobody would dare to pursue an investigation about the death of the Jialan Monarch any longer. Even if Qin Wentian really was the killer, no one would dare to say anything. This case has also officially come to an end.

From today onwards, Qin Wentian no longer needed to keep a low profile. He was number one in the Lifire Palace from now on.

“Qin Wentian, any objections?” The person in the lead reading out the royal edict gazed down at the figure in white who was none other than Qin Wentian.

“This subordinate Qin Wentian, humbly thanks the Realmlord for his gratitude. I’ll do my best to manage the Lifire Palace’s territories on behalf of his eminence.” Qin Wentian bowed and respectfully spoke. He felt very surprised, he initially thought that the position of the Lifire Palace Lord wouldn’t be his but Di Tian’s instead. Although that didn’t matter because they were both the same person, this still caught him by surprise.

The Lifelong Realmlord actually gave him this World Palace Lord’s position. Could it be that his attitude has changed?

“Palace Lord Qin, three days later, you should organize a ceremony. We will come here again then. Also, over at the Realm Lord’s side, he has prepared a surprise for you.” That person smiled, changing his salutation of Qin Wentian, calling him Palace Lord Qin instead of Governor Qin now.

“This subordinate has no way to repay the Realm Lord for his kindness.” Qin Wentian was as courteous as ever. No matter what considerations or intents the Realm Lord has, Qin Wentian couldn’t act too arrogantly. On the contrary, he had to proceed even more cautiously now.

“Farewell then, you should settle the remnant matters here in Lifire City. See you three days later.” That person bade farewell and led his men back to the teleportation array as they departed the Lifire Palace.

After the people from the Lifelong Saint Hall left, everyone inclined their heads and stared at the figure in white. That figure exuding boundless magnificence seemed to be even more imposing now. The him now not only has extraordinary strength, at the same time, he also had a transcendent status as well as immense authority.

“Your subordinates pays respect to Palace Lord.”

“We pay respect to Palace Lord.”

Only to see the subordinates of the northern governor’s manor all kneeling with one knee as their eyes were filled with respect and reverence while they paid their respect to Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian had always been the source of their faith and conviction. Now, this governor of theirs had become the new Lifire Palace Lord.

After that, more and more experts knelt. Out of the massive crowd inside the Lifire Palace, over half knelt to pay their respects in sincerity.

“Your subordinates pay our respects to Palace Lord.”

At this moment, even the nine monarchs were bowing as they paid their respects. Although they didn’t kneel, they still bowed low in an incomparably respectful manner. Even if they might have dissent in their hearts, none of them dared to express it. After all, from now onwards, Qin Wentian would be the one who controls their fate.

“The nine monarchs, hear my commands.” Qin Wentian swept his gaze at them and spoke.

“We are here.” The nine monarchs respectively replied, staring at Qin Wentian. They didn’t expect Qin Wentian would give a command so soon after he became the Lifire Palace Lord.

“During these few days, there has been a bunch of people in the Lifire Palace conspiring against me, attempting to plot a rebellion. The nine of you go and investigate who this group of people is. After that, split them up into smaller groups and send them to excavate in the mines under your control.” Qin Wentian coldly spoke. The close aides and family of the Lifire Empyrean all paled. They naturally understood that they were the group of people Qin Wentian was talking about.

The victor becomes king while the losers would be vilified. Now that Qin Wentian had become the Lifire Palace Lord, how would he show mercy to them? Let alone the fact that everyone knew how Beauty Xiao had died.

“We hear and obey.” The nine monarchs instantly led their forces and acted. The group of people naturally tried to resist, wanting to flee. However, under the encirclement of the monarchs forces, their resistance was like ants trying to shake a tree. Many of them were instantly crippled with several dead and injured. Qin Wentian watched on calmly, not feeling the slightest bit of pity at all. His heart was as hard as granite.

Humans ultimately have to pay the price for their actions.

A wave of commotion enveloped everything as the news of Qin Wentian becoming the Lifire Palace Lord soon spread to all corners of Lifire City.

Today, every topic of discussion in the city was about Qin Wentian becoming the Lifire Palace Lord.

Three days later, sunlight cascaded down on the majestic buildings of the Lifire Palace. The buildings stood there quietly, shining with a holy-looking light. Right now, the atmosphere inside the Lifire Palace was filled with silence yet the outside was filled with commotions. Countless people stood outside the Lifire Palace, long queues for a thousand miles, all of them waiting to spectate the official moment where Qin Wentian became the Lifire Palace Lord.

Since today was the day of Qin Wentian's official appointment, other than the normal citizens, the major powers of Lifire City would naturally lead their forces here to offer their congratulations.

The entrance of the Lifire Palace had a glorious stairway leading up to it. From the ground, everyone stepped onto the stairway, ascending step by step, none of them dared to soar through the air as a mark of respect. These people were all from the major powers who came here to congratulate Qin Wentian.

The nine monarchs were also here, including the various governors. The Xuanyuan Clan and other various powers of Lifelong City also came here as well. There was no need to mention about the minor and major powers of Lifire City themselves. Even the Jialan Clan had come.

Jialan Jiangshan personally led Jialan Yuntian, Jialan Qiuyue and the others of their clan here. As they walked on the stairway, they inclined their heads and saw the vast amount of experts in front of them, as well as the countless number of people behind them, all here to pay respects to the new Lifire Palace Lord. At this moment, everyone in the Jialan Clan couldn't help but to sigh ruefully.

Once, that nameless young man that was bullied by the Jialan Monarch is now already the Lifire Palace Lord, enjoying respect from all his subjects as they came from all over his territories to congratulate him.

Before this, Qin Wentian was merely a nobody. But now, he was the new lord of the Lifire Palace!

Chapter 1668: Empire and Beauties

The stairway of the Lifire Palace was towering and majestic, incomparably wide. Countless people climbed up, wanting to offer their congratulations, all of them respectful and pious.

From below, as everyone inclined their heads and stared at the Lifire Palace above, the ancient looking buildings seemed to glow with a holy light under the sunlight.

Today, was the day of official ascension for Qin Wentian.

The troops of the various governor manor have arrived, stationed in all directions. All of them had solemn expressions and exuded an imposing aura. This was especially so for troops of the northern

governor manor. All of them raised their heads with pride and glory. The new palace lord was once the governor in charge of them, from their northern governor manor.

Back then those years ago, who would have imagined that the young man sent to take over the northern governor's manor by the Lifire Empyrean would actually have such a day today.

Right now, the Evil Emperor had already become the new northern governor. He stood at the foremost of his troops with his vice governors and attendants behind him. Many of these subordinates were new faces. After all, there were too many who had betrayed him due to a single sentence from the Lifire Empyrean from the battle back then. Although they were forced by the situation, a betrayal was ultimately still a betrayal. This indicated that those people were not loyal at the time when he needed them most. Since they were not loyal, he naturally didn't want to use them.

For the other governors, other than Sun Qian and Lin Ba, they were all replaced by new people. The Lifire Palace now had a completely brand new appearance.

But regardless of new faces or old faces, all of them had solemn looks on their faces right now. They all understood that times have changed. The new palace lord was even stronger compared to the old one and their Lifire Palace was on the path of rising up, becoming a legend in history.

As they climbed up step by step of the majestic stairway, the higher they climbed, the more impressive the sight was. As they neared the depths of the Lifire Palace, they continued climbing up until they saw the highest peak of the Lifire Palace, the Lifire Great Hall.

The stone pillars here were so tall that they seemed capable of touching the sky. They radiated a domineering air with engravings of dragons and phoenixes there, constructed from gleaming emperor-ranked stones.

All the way ahead, there was a throne with a mini-stairway underneath. Many people then stood before the throne.

At this moment, a white-robed figure could be seen seated on the throne. His simple clothing wasn't impressive, those handsome features of his also couldn't be considered tyrannical. However, as that transcendent white-robed young man sat there, the words 'boundless magnificence' flashed across their minds. Only these words could describe him.

The new palace lord Qin Wentian has sat upon his throne. Beside him, the masked Di Tian could be seen standing there, surveying the crowd. These people gathered here were mostly important personnel of the Lifire Palace such as protectors, the nine monarchs, as well as the governors.

“The Xuanyuan Clan of Lifelong City congratulates Palace Lord Qin.” On the stairway, a group of people walked over as they offered their congratulations.

“Jialan Jiangshan of the Jialan Clan, leads the members of my clan here to pay our respects and offer our congratulations to Palace Lord Qin.” Jialan Jiangshan bowed as he spoke in a loud voice,

“Mo Ting of the Mo Clan from Lifire City congratulates Palace Lord Qin.”

“.....”

Countless calls of respect rang out in the great hall, creating waves of echoes. The other people who weren't allowed into the great hall all knelt on one knee on the stairways outside, lowering their heads in the direction of the great hall.

“Central Governor Sun Qian leads my troops to pay our respects to Palace Lord.” Sun Qian called out as he bowed. The ordinary troops knelt on one knee to express their respect.

“Eastern Governor Lin Ba leads my troops from the eastern city regions here to pay our respects to Palace Lord.”

Countless people voiced their respects, their sounds converging like thunder. Even more people below inclined their heads to stare at the grand and majestic sight, only feeling a feeling of excitement surging in their hearts. A brand new era of the Lifire Palace was about to unfold.

Qin Wentian sat on the throne and observed everything calmly but he was also sighing with emotions in his heart. Everyone in this world pursued the path of the strong, seeking unparalleled strength because only with enough strength would it mean that you can obtain everything. With such towering authority as well as worship from the masses, what a shocking sight this was? Even if he didn't grow infatuated with power and authority, he was still deeply shocked.

“Now, I, Qin have taken over the position of the Lifire Palace Lord. In the future, I would still have to depend on all of you heavily. Everyone, there's no need to be so polite.” Qin Wentian waved his

hands and spoke. A moment later, the people either inclined their heads or straightened their backs as they stared in the direction of the Lifire Palace's great hall.

“Envoy of the Lifelong Saint Hall is here by the orders of the Realmlord to congratulate Palace Lord Qin.” At this moment, another voice rang out. Qin Wentian didn't feel too surprised by this. Three days ago, this envoy had already said that he would be coming here and there would be a pleasant surprise for him as well.

At this moment, the envoy led a group of experts over. The group of experts behind him were lifting a sedan as they walked into the great hall.

Qin Wentian stared at the sedan feeling somewhat puzzled. After that, the curtains covering the entrance of the sedan were lifted as an alluring and beautiful figure slowly walked out from within. She inclined her head, her beautiful eyes staring at Qin Wentian. She seemed capable of mesmerizing the masses with a single smile.

Qin Wentian stood up from his throne, he stared at the beautiful figure before him as he started laughing. His smile was extremely radiant. Everyone else was admiring the beautiful looks of that maiden. She was clad in red, radiating incomparable charm, her clothes fully accentuating her figure. A phoenix crown could be seen on her head, giving a sense of nobility, presenting a stunning sight of magnificence.

Many people had already managed to guess her identity. Qin Wentian's story was no longer a secret, circulated all around by people. Ever since he took up the position of the northern governor back then, he had been doing so for the sake of one person. That person was none other than the bandit head those years ago – Ye Qianyu.

Appearing here at this moment, this beauty stood before the new palace lord and could even cause the new palace lord to stand from his throne...Other than Ye Qianyu, there wouldn't be another person.

“Palace Lord Qin, this time around, your actions in suppressing the chaos of the Lifire Palace have earned you sufficient merit for the Realmlord to grant amnesty towards Ye Qianyu. He hopes that you would be able to govern the Lifire Palace well on his behalf and not let down his expectations.” That envoy smiled. Qin Wentian's act of killing the Lifire Emphyrean had actually become an act of suppressing chaos. Naturally, this was only words. The Lifelong Realmlord could use any excuse as long as he wanted to.

“I, Qin, will definitely not disappoint his eminence.” Qin Wentian smiled and nodded.

“Mhm, I’ll bid farewell then.” That envoy nodded and led his group away along with the sedan, only leaving Ye Qianyu behind.

Qin Wentian walked down the steps leading up to his throne, and came to Ye Qianyu’s side. He stared at the beautiful maiden as his gaze grew gentle, “It has been tough on you all these years.”

Ye Qianyu smiled lightly. She naturally had seen how majestic the scene was during Qin Wentian’s ascension. From the bottom of her heart, she truly felt happy, as well as a streak of pride. Right now, he was no longer that young man who was merely an immortal king. He is truly an expert that stood at the peak of Lifire City.

“If you feel that I’ve suffered, why don’t you marry me and let me become the official empress of the Lifire Palace?” Ye Qianyu didn’t say this out loud, she transmitted her voice using a playful tone to Qin Wentian. Her charming smile grew wider, instantly causing atmosphere to be spoiled. Qin Wentian’s face was suddenly filled with black lines as he mused silently to himself. “This demoness hasn’t changed at all.”

However, his smile grew warmer the longer he looked at her.

“Hmph, men are always only good with words.” Ye Qianyu continued to transmit her voice over. After that, she turned and faced the countless people gathered here as the charming smile on her face vanished. Her expression turned regal, filled with a sense of elegance as she spoke, “Today, Palace Lord Qin has ascended to the throne of the Lifire Palace. Since there are so many outstanding heroes gathered here, let there be a banquet held in Lifire City for three entire days. There will be no lack of delicacies and good wine, everyone can enjoy yourselves to the utmost. Palace Lord Qin shall bear all the expenses.”

With her bearing and the phoenix crown on her head, the Ye Qianyu at this moment was like a motherly model of the nation. Countless people stared at her flawless figure as they silently mused that most probably, this Ye Qianyu would undoubtedly become the Lifire Palace Lord’s woman.

“Many thanks, Palace Lord.” Everyone bowed and intoned. Their faces were all filled with smiles and their gazes had a hint of respect when they looked at Ye Qianyu, not daring to profane her beauty. This woman was the Lifire Palace Lord’s woman, they could only admire her beauty.

From the crowd, Jialan Qiuyue glanced at that flawlessly beautiful figure. She had always been very confident in her own beauty and that she wasn’t inferior to anyone in the Lifire Palace. However the

Ye Qianyu at this moment, was undoubtedly more outstanding than her. The light of the entire Lifire Palace seemed to be shining on Ye Qianyu. The glory Qin Wentian obtained by becoming the new palace lord seemed also to belong to her.

What was Ye Qianyu feeling now? Did she feel a sense of elation because she had finished waiting for all the dark gloomy clouds to disperse, revealing the sun? It was truly a pity for Beauty Xiao.

Jialan Qiuyue's beautiful eyes involuntarily glanced over to Di Tian. Di Tian was still as quiet and as mysterious as ever, standing at Qin Wentian's side. It felt like even if the heavens came crumbling down, his expression wouldn't change. He was always that confident. Even if he didn't become the new palace lord, it seemed that he didn't mind it at all.

However, did he truly not mind it?

He was the one who orchestrated so many schemes but the position of the Lifire Palace Lord ended up in Qin Wentian's hands. Since the Lifelong Realm Lord specially created a position of vice palace lord for him, there might be another layer of meaning hidden underneath everything.

At this moment, Ye Qianyu's beautiful eyes turned over, smiling at Qin Wentian. The look in her eyes had a look like her plan had succeeded. Her earlier words to everyone was like announcing that she, Ye Qianyu, would be the female mistress of the entire Lifire Palace.

Staring at the smile on her face, Qin Wentian smiled wryly. Before this, he was always so worried about this demoness. But now that she has returned, he would undoubtedly not be free from worrying about her. After all, back then when he was her subordinate, he was played right and left by her, twiddling around in her palm.

Stepping out, Qin Wentian took advantage of the motion and held onto Ye Qianyu's hands. Her body trembled a little but she didn't reject it. She smiled charmingly, the look in her eyes was capable of toppling empires.

Qin Wentian held her hand as they continued walking forward. The young man in white exuded boundless magnificence, the young woman in red with the phoenix crown on her head exuded a sense of radiant beauty. The two of them were like an immortal couple. They continued to the top of the steps and turned, staring down at the countless people gathered here. Under the eyes of everyone, Qin Wentian tightened his hold on her hands as his eyes flickered with even more gentleness and warmth.

“There are some things I’m unable to give you. However, if you wish for this empire and if I can obtain it, everything shall be yours if you want it.” Qin Wentian transmitted his voice to her. Ye Qianyu naturally understood his words. She had a smile on her face but within the depths of her beautiful eyes, there were actually tears forming as they rolled down her face. The suffering she endured during all these years no longer mattered. She had never expected that she would be capable of being jealous over other women before but at this moment, she truly felt a strong sense of jealousy.

Qin Wentian was saying that he could give her all material things if she wanted them. The only things he couldn’t give were the most important positions in his heart. She truly wanted to see who exactly the women that occupied the unshakable positions of importance deep in Qin Wentian’s heart were!

Chapter 1669: Undetermined Status

After Qin Wentian’s official ascension, the atmosphere in the Lifire Palace grew exceptionally lively as many outstanding heroes among the crowd partied.

The peak powers of Lifire City were all present and the people they sent were all their most important characters. Regardless what attitude they had towards Qin Wentian before, now that Qin Wentian was the Lifire Palace Lord, all the grudges and hatred they felt before had completely vanished into thin air. Right now, their only attitude towards him was respect.

What sort of power was the Jialan Clan? They were the strongest of the peak powers with the empyrean-level Jialan Jiangshan at their helm. Jialan Jiangshan had even contended for the position of the Lifire Palace Lord, but since he had failed, even though they were used by Di Tian, they were also willing to come here to pay their respects. Despite the additional fact that Qin Wentian had the highest suspicion of being the Jialan Monarch’s killer. There was no need to mention about the other powers.

So what if the Jialan Monarch was really killed by Qin Wentian. That page has already been turned. Nobody would pursue that any longer.

The atmosphere in Lifire City was similarly extremely lively. There was only a single topic of discussion, about the legendary character of Lifire City, Qin Wentian, and how he rose up. They would occasionally glance in the direction of the Lifire Palace and stare at the majestic ancient great hall located at the peak. By making trouble now, that was undoubtedly challenging the prestige of the new palace lord and was undoubtedly a behavior that courted death. Don’t forget that this new

palace lord was even stronger and more terrifying than the previous Lifire Emperian. Qin Wentian was a living legend.

Banquet tables were placed everywhere in the Lifire Palace. However, both Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu had vanished. They held hands together and left the place earlier, handing everything over to Di Tian to settle. Everyone naturally didn't know that Di Tian was none other than Qin Wentian himself. There was no difference no matter which of them remained here.

Many people came over and toasted Di Tian. Although the person sitting on the Lifire Palace Lord's throne in the end was Qin Wentian, not a single person in Lifire City dared to underestimate how terrifying Di Tian could be. They didn't forget that the final confrontation with the Lifire Emperian back then was a scheme planned by him. He was the mastermind behind everything, pulling the previous palace lord down from his throne.

The Jialan Clan was used by him. Right now, the influence and power the Emperor Pavilion had in Lifire City, had already surpassed the Jialan Clan. With Di Tian in the vice palace lord's position, there was no doubt that the Emperor Pavilion would only grow even stronger in the future.

Also, in the future, Di Tian's position would definitely be a main palace lord of a world palace. Given his strength, his talent and his intelligence, there was no doubt about that.

Now that Di Tian gained glory, the Mo Clan received the most benefits other than the Emperor Pavilion. They were the only clan who supported the Emperor Pavilion right from the start. Mo Fei, a Mo Clan's elder as well as their young miss Mo Junyi, held important positions in the Emperor Pavilion, helping Di Tian to manage it. As the Emperor Pavilion grew stronger, the Mo Clan naturally did so as well. Right now, they were completely different from the past. Currently, the Mo Clan's members were seated at the same table with Di Tian, all of them filled with respect towards him. After all, Di Tian's identity was already different. Just based on the fact that he has broken through to the Emperian Realm, it was already enough to warrant the admiration of others.

Mo Ting no longer mentioned anything about his daughter Mo Junyi's relationship with Di Tian. If in the past, it was doing Mo Junyi's status an injustice by sending her to work in the Emperor Pavilion, then right now from a certain perspective, Mo Junyi was already no longer worthy of Di Tian. Even Jialan Qiuyue of the Jialan Clan had been made use of so ruthlessly. Mo Ting naturally wouldn't act as casual as he did before.

If Di Tian himself wanted it, Mo Junyi would be his woman. But if Di Tian didn't bring this up, the Mo Clan wouldn't dare to mention about the kindness they had shown him in the past by supporting him and wanting Di Tian to reciprocate it.

At this moment, a beautiful figure walked towards Di Tian. Jialan Qiuyue wore a sky-blue dress today and was extremely pretty. Her beautiful eyes stared at Di Tian and smiled, "Vice Palace Lord Di, can I speak a few words in private with you?"

"Qiuyue." Di Tian greeted, staring at Jialan Qiuyue before him.

"Qiuyue, come back now!" Not faraway, Jialan Qiuyue's father Jialan Chen, shouted. However Jialan Qiuyue didn't seem to have heard it. She continued looking at Di Tian.

"Sure." Di Tian stood up and brought Jialan Qiuyue to a private pavilion. This place was very quiet. When inside, one could see the magnificent scenery of Lifire City displayed before them. Because this pavilion was built at a very high location and there was nothing obstructing its view. The gentle wind that breezed through, also caused Jialan Qiuyue's hair and skirt to flutter.

"Vice Palace Lord Di, Grandmaster Di Tian. How should I address you?" Jialan Qiuyue was still smiling. However, a look of bitter sorrow could be seen in her eyes. Di Tian could already hear her feelings from her tone.

"Qiuyue, there's no need for you to be so polite with me. You can just call me Di Tian like you did in the past." Di Tian bitterly smiled. If he had hatred towards the Jialan Clan in the past, there didn't exist any now after the Jialan Monarch was dead and Ye Qianyu was freed. In addition to the fact that he had indeed made use of the Jialan Clan and Jialan Qiuyue, he no longer felt any hatred. In fact, he actually felt some guilt when facing Jialan Qiuyue,

Because, he knew that this young miss of the Jialan Clan, who had the highest talent among her clan members, had truly fallen in love with him.

"Sure." Jialan Qiuyue smiled. All of a sudden, her hand snaked out, moving towards his face, wanting to remove his mask.

Qin Wentian's eyes flashed as a terrifying light erupted forth from his eyes. An immensely powerful pressure bore down, forcing Jialan Qiuyue backwards. Di Tian coldly spoke, "Qiuyue, what are you doing?"

Jialan Qiuyue stared at him and smiled, "I just want to see through you. I want to see clearly what sort of face is hidden under that mask of yours, as well as what sort of heart do you have."

Di Tian stared at Jialan Qiuyue with shock only to see that her beautiful eyes that had a smile in them, was suddenly wet with tears. All her pain and agony were completely revealed at this moment.

“Qiuyue, don’t blame me. Back then when the Jialan Clan forced me to side with them, didn’t they also used underhanded methods? What is the difference between that and what I did?” Di Tian stared at her as he spoke.

“Is that really the same?” Jialan Qiuyue’s beautiful eyes stared fixedly at Di Tian as her tears flowed down continuously. Her smile had completely vanished, leaving behind only sorrow.

“Back then when the Jialan Clan dealt with you, they did so by openly oppressing you. What about you? You used your friendship with the Jialan Clan, making my clan aid you so much. I treated you wholeheartedly and even wanted to become your woman. Not only did you not give a reply, how did you treat me and my clan? Deceit, manipulation, exploitation... Everything are lies!”

Jialan Qiuyue sobbed. “During these years, you kept avoiding me. Even if you directly rejected me or acted against my clan, I would have accepted that. But, why must you continue to lie?”

“If you feel hatred due to the things the Jialan Clan did to you in the past, you can just kill me, I’ll accept it. You can do it now.”

Di Tian stared at the pitiful appearance of Jialan Qiuyue as the sense of guilt in his heart intensified. He shook his head, “There’s no need to say anything more. I have my reason to do so. In the future, my grudge with the Jialan Clan will be wiped clean. If the Jialan Clan so wishes to, we can still be friends.”

“Reason? Tell me your reason then.” Jialan Qiuyue’s eyes flashed with a hint of stubbornness, staring at Di Tian determinedly. She had fallen too deeply, the emotions she had for him for these tens of years were all real. As long as Di Tian was willing, she would have long become his woman. However, everything she thought she had, completely toppled in the span of one day. What did these tens of years count for?

At this moment, she only wanted an answer. She truly hoped that Di Tian had a solid-clad unexplainable reason for doing this to her. Only then would she be able to feel better.

“This involves a personal secret of mine, I cannot tell you the truth. Qiuyue, you just have to understand that I have never intended to harm you.” Di Tian sighed.

“I can protect that secret for you.” Jialan Qiuyue continued staring at Di Tian.

Di Tian shook his head, the implications of this matter was far too great. Even if he trusted Jialan Qiuyue, who could guarantee that Jialan Qiuyue wouldn't accidentally reveal his secret to her clan? The moment she did so, things would be extremely disadvantageous for him.

Only to see Jialan Qiuyue taking out a dagger that radiated a fearsome sharpness. She placed the dagger on her throat and sliced through the thin skin, causing blood to flow.

“What are you doing?” Di Tian shouted.

“Although my clan didn't really punish me, there's no doubt that I'm a sinner of the clan. Also, given that I was made use by you for so many years, my heart is already akin to dead ashes. If I cannot get an answer, I'd rather choose death.” Jialan Qiuyue sobbed, slicing the dagger deeper into her skin as her fresh blood dripped onto her sky-blue dress, dying it a vibrant shocking red.

Di Tian froze, he had never expected Jialan Qiuyue to actually be so unyielding and stubborn.

“If I die after that, your secret would still remain a secret. Can you let me die fulfilled? I just want to understand.” Jialan Qiuyue sobbed.

Di Tian waved his hand, causing a powerful wave of sealing might to gushed forth, sealing the space around them. He sighed and spoke to Jialan Qiuyue, “Do you know why Qin Wentian hated the Jialan Monarch so much?”

“There's a grudge between the Jialan Monarch and Qin Wentian, I know everything there is to know about their grudge from the beginning till the end. He does have a reason to hate my uncle and the Jialan Clan, but what does that have to do with you?” Jialan Qiuyue asked.

Di Tian placed his hand on his mask and slowly removed it, revealing a handsome face that appeared in Jialan Qiuyue's vision. At this moment, Jialan Qiuyue's heart pounded violently. Her grip on the dagger in her hand loosened due to shock as the dagger fell onto the ground with a clang. Her body trembled unceasingly. There were no words that could describe her current state of heart.

“Are you satisfied now?” A voice different from the one Di Tian usually used, rang out. He silently sighed in his heart. Ultimately, he was still too easily soft-hearted. He had no way to make his heart as hard as granite, completely emotionless.

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At night, within the Lifelong Saint Hall, in the courtyard Beiming Youhuang was in, she stood there and stared up at the stars. She took out her messaging crystal but placed it back down again after some hesitation.

“He should already be seated on the throne of the Lifire Palace Lord, right? At this moment, everyone’s attention should be on him and he should be very busy, right?” Beiming Youhuang smiled and kept her messaging crystal. She didn’t send her congratulations over after all.

At this moment, a figure appeared behind Beiming Youhuang. She turned around and looked at the person as she greeted, “Reamlord.”

“Youhuang, Qin Wentian has already ascended to the Lifire Palace Lord’s position. Right now, the atmosphere at the Lifire Palace is extremely lively and I’ve also sent Ye Qianyu over. Let’s hope he won’t blame me too much.” The Lifelong Reamlord laughed. He had always thought that the relationship between Beiming Youhuang and Qin Wentian was that of fellow apprentice siblings. He believed that since he had allowed Qin Wentian to become the Lifire Palace Lord and has also freed Ye Qianyu, Qin Wentian would surely be filled with gratitude for him.

“Naturally. I have to thank Reamlord on behalf of my junior apprentice brother.” Beiming Youhuang smiled.

The Reamlord waved his hands, “You are my woman, there’s no need to be so polite. Today is such a beautiful night, let’s not waste it. Youhuang, why don’t you come to me to my bed chambers?”

“Reamlord, my status is undetermined yet, wouldn’t this be a little inappropriate?” Beiming Youhuang softly spoke.

“You are right, I’m too hasty. Despite living for so long, I still cannot stand up to the temptation of beauties.” The Lifelong Reamlord shook his head and laughed. “Since this is the case, I’ll

announce to the entire world during the next grand banquet of my Lifelong Realm and give you an official status!”

Chapter 1670: Appointments

After the Lifelong Realm Lord departed, Beiming Youhuang remained where she was, staring at the boundless star-filled sky. The night breeze gusted by, her long hair fluttered lightly as her entire being radiated a sense of loneliness.

“Youhuang.” A voice suddenly rang out in her mind. Beiming Youhuang trembled a little as she took out her messaging crystal immediately.

Her hands were cold, she held onto the messaging crystal but she didn’t know what to say. After that, a slight smile appeared on her face as she sent a strand of immortal sense into the crystal, “Congratulations!”

“You know about it already?” A voice filled with surprise transmitted back. Qin Wentian then continued, “Youhuang, where are you now?”

“I’m outside roaming the world, trying to increase my cultivation level. I messaged you because I heard about the news of you becoming the new Lifire Palace Lord.” Beiming Youhuang lied.

“Qianyu told me that you are in the Lifelong Saint Hall and she would often see you there previously before she was freed.”

“Mhm, that was before. But, I’ve already left there now.” Beiming Youhuang replied in a light voice.

“Is it true?” Qin Wentian’s voice was filled with doubt, ringing out in Beiming Youhuang’s mind.

“Mhm.” Beiming Youhuang replied. “In any case, my cultivation base is already at the peak-stage of the immortal emperor realm, there’s no need for me to worry about you. Congratulations to you for finally being able to be together with Ye Qianyu after suffering so much. For you, she has suffered a lot. You have to treat her well.”

Qin Wentian was silent for a few moments before he replied, “Mhm, I will. Youhuang you have to take care of yourself too. If there’s anything you need my help with, you have to contact me and let me know alright?”

A gentle smile appeared in the frosty yet beautiful eyes of Beiming Youhuang. She didn’t reply and kept her messaging crystal. She stared up at the stars, there is still around tens of years before the next Lifelong Grand Banquet. At that time, the Lifelong Realmlord would make the announcement to the entire world. If Qin Wentian learns of that then, how would he feel about it?

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In the Lifire Palace, in a large and beautiful room, one would be able to see the lights formed of lifire as well as the entire magnificent scene of the Lifire City.

At this moment, Qin Wentian was standing before this window and staring at the horizons. He slowly placed down the messaging crystal in his hand. No more replies from Beiming Youhuang rang out in his mind. For some reason, he felt a little down. He didn’t know why this was so. By rights, he should only feel happiness.

“What’s wrong?” A gentle voice drifted over from behind. The moonlight that streamed in shone upon Ye Qianyu’s figure. She who was in a red phoenix dress, exuded a sense of holiness. Her fair skin seemed to glow, resembling a goddess under the moonlight that caused the hearts of all men to stir.

“Youhuang says that she isn’t in the Lifelong Saint Hall and has already gone out to temper herself.” Qin Wentian glanced at Ye Qianyu as he spoke. Upon seeing how beautiful she was, he couldn’t help but to take another look.

“She might have really left.” Ye Qianyu spoke softly. After that, her eyes that were filled with love, gazed warmly at Qin Wentian. Her fair jade-like arms stretched out and wrapped themselves around Qin Wentian’s neck as she smiled, “Is the relationship between you and her really so simple as a pair of apprentice siblings?”

Staring at Ye Qianyu’s beautiful eyes, Qin Wentian replied, “If not?”

Ye Qianyu’s mouth twitched before she gave a charming laugh. Her gaze turned more mesmerizing. Qin Wentian felt his blood surge as he stared at her flawless features that were inches away from him. From his angle, he could see her fair neck as well as her beautiful twin peaks below.

Upon seeing the heat in Qin Wentian's gaze, Ye Qianyu's smile widened. He stretched out his hand wanting to embrace her but Ye Qianyu easily slipped away with a twist. She giggled, "You want to eat me up before holding a wedding for me? Even if I cannot become the main empress, you can't be so biased, right?"

"Qianyu, it has been so many years. I want to make things up to you." Qin Wentian stared at her as he gently spoke. Ye Qianyu's beautiful eyes softened. Her limpid gaze that is akin to water, stared at him as she pouted, "How can you say such a shameless thing with such a straight face?"

"..." Qin Wentian's face was filled with black lines, he was speechless and didn't know what to reply.

"Let me dance a dance for you." Ye Qianyu gently spoke.

Qin Wentian's eyes brightened. He still remembered how alluring her dance was, capable of stunning everyone who saw it. He could still remember clearly even now. Was he going to witness that stunningly beautiful dance once again?

"Mhm." Qin Wentian nodded. Ye Qianyu's back faced the window, allowing the moonlight to gather on her. After that, her body began to move, transitioning from one pose to the next. She seemed extremely light and airy, her beautiful movements were filled with grace, causing those who saw it to be unable to move their eyes away.

This was especially so for Ye Qianyu's beauty and charm at this moment. Her skirt fluttered with each of her movements as her eyes conveyed her emotions for him. Qin Wentian had no way to describe the beauty of this moment. He sat down on the bed and silently admired her dance. Faintly, he felt that the best scenery of the world was none other than this.

He was completely immersed, it was only after a long time before he regained his senses. The dance steps gradually slowed as the goddess under the moonlight slowly walked towards him with that charming smile on her face.

Qin Wentian simply sat there unmoving as he stared at her.

Finally, Ye Qianyu walked to his side. She faced him directly with her arms over his shoulders as she sat on his thighs. This goddess under the moonlight was just inches away from him.

Tearing sounds rang out only to see the sexy red dress Ye Qianyu's was wearing suddenly transformed into petals that danced in the air. The petals enveloped both of them. A perfect figure appeared before Qin Wentian, causing his eyes to turn slightly red from lust. His heart pounded rapidly, he could no longer endure it. He stretched out trembling hands as his palms roamed around Ye Qianyu's figure.

A moan of ecstasy rang out when his hands brushed across her sensitive parts, causing his lust to burn even fiercer.

This was destined to be a night of craziness, a sleepless night.

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The moon hung high up in the sky. Star light flashed, shining into the majestic bed chambers. Time continued to flow by and at dawn, when the first ray of sunlight streamed into the room, Qin Wentian opened his eyes and stared at the lithe figure lying in his embrace. He then glanced at her flawless features as he leaned in to kiss her forehead.

Ye Qianyu's eyelashes fluttered as she opened her eyes. Her eyes still seemed to be blurred but they gradually brightened after she felt the kiss on her forehead. She snuggled and leaned against Qin Wentian's body, her gaze filled with boundless warmth.

"It's time to get up." Qin Wentian softly spoke.

"No..." Ye Qianyu turned, with her back facing Qin Wentian.

Qin Wentian laughed in an evil manner and pulled the blanket off her, causing a scream to shatter the tranquil atmosphere. Qin Wentian continued laughing as he dressed. Ye Qianyu clutched the blanket around her but she soon dressed up as well as she went to freshen up.

After she was done, Qin Wentian had a look of puzzlement on his face when he stared at her. The Ye Qianyu today seemed to have a different demeanor. She was less charming and seemed more elegant with a touch of nobility mixed within.

"What are you looking at?" Ye Qianyu smiled charmingly at Qin Wentian.

“A demoness is still a demoness, your demonic charm is as radiant as ever.” Qin Wentian laughed as he stared at her.

“Is that so? Ye Qianyu tied her hair up and sat up while tidying her clothes. The charming smile on her face vanished, replaced by a slight smile of regalness, like she was a empress that ruled over millions, exuding a sense of imposingness.

Qin Wentian stared dumbfoundedly. This woman was truly adapt at transforming herself, her demeanor was instantly different. Upon seeing the look on Qin Wentian’s face, Ye Qianyu giggled and became her charming self once again. “Don’t forget that I used to be the Palace Mistress of the Thousand Feathers Palace. Now, after becoming your woman, I will naturally be docile and charming towards you but when facing outsiders, even though I’m not yet the true empress of the Lifire Palace, I still have to look the part. If not, when the two other wives of yours came over and become the female lords of this place, wouldn’t I be bullied by them to death?”

“...” Qin Wentian had a face filled with black lines. He suddenly thought about the scene where Qing`er and Qingcheng met with Ye Qianyu. For some reason, a bitter smile appeared on his face as anxiety filled his heart.

He was extremely clear about the personalities Qing`er and Qingcheng had. They would bully Ye Qianyu? It was more likely that they would be bullied instead. Seems like he had to spend more time in the future to properly guide this demoness, he mustn’t allow her to bully Qing`er and Qingcheng.

“Let’s go, the nine monarch, governors, protectors and the other major powers are still waiting for you. If you don’t say anything, they most probably wouldn’t be able to feel at ease and leave.” Ye Qianyu laughed. Qin Wentian nodded. The two of them then continued walking out of their bed chambers and moved towards the great hall. There were no guards around here as this place was protected by formations instead.

At the banquet held in the great hall, the vast majority of people were still here.

When Ye Qianyu and Qin Wentian walked over, their expressions all turned solemn, the atmosphere was no longer as casual as before. Staring at the imposing Qin Wentian as well as the elegant Ye Qianyu, many silently mused that these two were truly a match made in heaven.

Qin Wentian had always exuded magnificence and Ye Qianyu had incomparable charm back then. She now had a hint of regalness in her manner, exuding nobility and elegance. There had already been a separate smaller throne arranged for her beside Qin Wentian's throne, allowing her to have a separate seat of her own.

"During these few days, has everyone enjoyed themselves to the fullest?" Qin Wentian smiled as he glanced at everyone.

"Palace lord's generosity in hosting the banquet allowed all of us to enjoy to the maximum." A monarch laughed.

"Mhm." Qin Wentian calmly nodded. "Right now, since I've taken over the Lifire Palace Lord's position, I naturally will have to properly govern and manage the vast stretch of territories under the Lifire Palace's name. The nine monarchs, you all have to do your best and assist me."

"Yes, Palace Lord. All of us will definitely strive to the utmost and spare no effort." The nine monarchs all bowed to express their loyalty. The stones in their hearts were finally placed down. Seems like Qin Wentian didn't intend to touch their positions. They were truly worried that Qin Wentian might replace them with his own trusted aides.

Qin Wentian nodded and continued, "In addition, many traitorous subordinates have died or were injured due to the battle back then. Many important positions in my Lifire Palace still lack personnel and I have to make some adjustments to that. Right now, I officially confer upon the Evil Emperor the title of a protector. He shall become one of the protectors of my Lifire Palace. Xu Li will take over the position of the northern governor."

"Yes, Palace Lord." Both the Evil Emperor and Xu Li bowed while the others remained silent. Right now, how would there be anyone else who dares to question Qin Wentian's decision? It was only natural that Qin Wentian wanted to nurture his own trusted aides.

After that, after another round of adjusting, all those bandits who had followed Ye Qianyu back then were all given important positions. Their eyes were filled with respect when they stared at Qin Wentian and Ye Qianyu, silently musing at how great the judgement of their previous palace mistress, Ye Qianyu, was. Back then, everyone didn't understand why was she willing to give up so many things for Qin Wentian. Now when they looked at the two of them on the throne, the scene was simply perfect.

“Mo Clan’s Mo Fei, you will also become a protector of my Lifire Palace. As for Mo Junyi, you will take over one of the vice governor positions in the central city regions.” Qin Wentian continued. “Are the two of you willing?”

“Many thanks Palace Lord.” Mo Fei and Mo Junyi both gave their thanks. They glanced at Di Tian. Seems like the relationship between the Palace Lord and Vice Palace Lord was unexpectedly good.