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Chapter 2131 - Hell Icefire Phoenix

At this moment, the fire across the huge black body of the Dark Phoenix burst abruptly and became a few times fiercer than before. Soon after, a loud and clear phoenix cry came through. It was so sharp that it pierced through the sky itself. Luckily, this happened within the realm, as if it had been in the outside world, it would definitely catch a lot of people's attentions.

Not much had changed to the body of the Dark Phoenix. It was still dyed in black, only that now, the kind of black across its body felt grimmer. Overall, it looked great! The crown on top of its head had doubled in size, and faint pressure could be felt from it.

The Hell Icefire Phoenix!

Qing Shui was stunned the moment he saw this name. The Dark Phoenix had actually merged with two of the five elements which were supposed to subdue each other. Qing Shui could confirm it just by looking at its name. Since they had really merged, its strength would definitely be a lot more powerful than normal fusions between the five elements.

The Hell Icefire Phoenix! Bloodline strength: 80 out of 100.

Strength: 12,5 billion Dao Force.

Dark Phoenix of Nine Heavens: passive battle technique, zero energy consumption. Permanently increase the strength by 500 times. Any battle techniques or attacks used would consume 80% less energy.

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Not much had changed for its other techniques other than slight improvements in each of them. After going through the mutated change this time, the phoenix was given an additional ability.

Icefire Combination: Enable the Hell Icefire Phoenix's damaging prowess to increase by two times. Due to the fusion between ice and fire, its attacks were very explosive.

Qing Shui was stunned when he saw this ability. He never expected for the fusion between 2 elements which subdued each other to have such an explosive effect. With that, its offensive prowess would reach 25 billion Dao Force. The destructive prowess it currently possessed was more than enough for the current Qing Shui.

The Hell Icefire Phoenix itself was originally already equipped with the ability to reduce damage caused to it. Adding on the additional boosts given to it by Qing Shui's Divine Weapon, it could now stand firmly on its own in terms of its resistance towards attacks. Qing Shui was pleased just by the thought of it.

Unfortunately, there were too few Advancing Divine Worms. Qing Shui couldn't wait to get his hands on more of them. If he could get another two of them, he would have been able to help Little Rin and Dragon Slaying Beast to break through.

For the time being, the Golden Scaled dragon Elephant was no longer able to catch up with those two. Qing Shui was also unable to find any Heavenly and Earthly Treasure which could help it break through for the moment. The Advancing Divine Worms were unsuitable for it.

Qing Shui was already content to have two of them. These things would only appear once every one hundred years on the Redcloud Valley, and it would take another few hundred years until the next one appeared. Even if a lot of warriors had the lifespan close to one thousand years, to wait for a hundred years was still too much for them.

Qing Shui only settled his sight on the Hundred Treasure Chest now. Immediately, he got it to recognize its new owner.

It was relatively simple to get these things to recognize owners. However, the procedure was also a bit weird. Qing Shui was required to drip three drops of his Blood Essence at three separate times on the Hundred Treasure Chest.

After about an hour, Qing Shui had finally succeeded and became the owner of the Hundred Treasure Chest. The bodies of the three Advancing Divine Worms were still placed aside for the time being. Although the current Hundred Treasure Chest had been emptied, upon getting it to recognize its owner, the chest would once again go through some changes.

The chests from before were all normal. But the one he was currently looking at was shining brightly and emitting out a kind of boundless aura.

Hundred Treasure Chest!

It was an ancient relic. A box that was used to store treasures. It was currently sealed, and Qing Shui would have to release the first layer of the seal first.

The things, which had been put inside the Hundred Treasure Chest, must be things with no life force. As time passed, the quality of the objects in it would be multiplied by two times. However, some characteristics of the objects might change thoroughly. Therefore, one must think twice about what they would put inside.

By releasing the first layer of the seal, he could get 30 Quality Pills, Potential Pills, and Growth Pills respectively. In addition to that, he was also given with 20 Divine Square Cauldrons.

Qing Shui blankly stared at the 20 Divine Square Cauldrons.

Qing Shui was immediately stunned in shock seeing the 20 Divine Square Cauldrons. He never would have thought that there would actually be Divine Square Cauldrons. Furthermore, there wasn't only one, but a total of 20 of them! This kind of feeling was similar to when he had received presents from the realm in his earlier years. Could it really be a coincidence? Or was he really just that lucky?

Qing Shui was feeling very agitated at the moment. Nevertheless, he still reviewed the things which came after them. One Attacking Talisman Stone, Defensive Talisman Stone, Movement Talisman Stone, Recovery Talisman Stone, Endurance Talisman Stone, Power Talisman Stone, Tenacity Talisman Stone, and Evasion Talisman Stone.

Above were the complete lists of Talisman Stones which he had gotten. Qing Shui was really surprised. He never expected to get so many good stuff from merely the first layer of the Hundred Treasure Chest. But the next question was, what was the uses of these Talisman Stones?

A vast amount of cold aura could be felt emitting from these Talisman Stones. Qing Shui didn't know the materials that were used to make them but found them to be extremely sturdy and indestructible, even with weapons. They were only about the size of a thumb and were very exquisite.

Heavenly Vision Technique! Moving on, Qing Shui was stunned once more.

Talisman Stones: can be embedded into a Divine Weapon once they reach the seventh grade and help to increase its corresponding strength.

Qing Shui's eyes sparkled. He put all 20 of the Divine Square Cauldrons into the Treasure Basins. Moving on, other than being able to receive some treasures once the seal was released, he was also able to use it to exchange some items, which he didn't need, for other stuff. This could be done repeatedly, but its quality would only increase once on the first time it was traded. On the second, or third time, there would have been no changes in its quality.

Qing Shui really liked the Hundred Treasure Chest, as he had a lot of stuff in the realm. Due to his 'plundering' of Interspatial Silk Sachets throughout these years, he had a lot of decent weapons which were useless to him. And now was the perfect time for him to throw it down and test his luck.

Qing Shui only looked towards those Quality Pill, Potential Pill, as well as the Growth Pill. Very soon, he managed to find out about the effects of those pills. Each of the Quality Pills could increase the user's constitution by one percent, and it was effective for both demonic beasts and humans. There were practically no limits to which they could use the pills. However, human's body would begin to slowly repel the pill until they totally rejected it.

The Potential Pill, on the other hand, helped to raise human's potential. In other words, it increased their strength directly also by one percent; it could also be taken indefinitely. Generally speaking, a pill provided a one percent boost to the user's strength. Thus, if the user's strength was worth 10 billion Dao Force, the amount of strength, which they could have gotten from it, would be 100 million Dao Force.

The Growth Pill mainly helped to increase one's talent. In other words, it could help to turn an ordinary person into a genius. Each of the pills raised the user's talent by 1%. From this information, it could be seen just how many pills Qing Shui would need to turn a person into a genius.

However, these medicinal pills were extremely precious. So, Qing Shui didn't use it right away, and he investigated it to see if he could refine them instead. It would be great if he could really succeed. However, there were some medicinal pills that even geniuses couldn't refine. After all, it was stated clearly above that the user could use it repeatedly until it lost its effect.

Even after looking at it for half a day, he also failed to notice anything. After cultivating for a while, he exited the realm.

It had only been a while in the outside world. Since he had nothing specifics that he needed to do, Qing Shui prepared some dishes which were very delicious. Naturally, they would have their dinner on the

second floor since the business still had to be run downstairs. Though there weren't that many people who would come on usual days, some people would still book the place in advance.

Zhang Yue didn't rest. After taking a shower, he immediately began reading some medical books. He knew that he would have to make a bet for his destiny this time. The chance he was given now was a crucial point in his life. If he succeeded in grabbing it, there was no doubt that he would stand out in the future.

The atmosphere, when they were having dinner, was great. By now, Zhang Yue was no longer an outsider. He had a feeling that in the future, Nuo Lan would turn out to be the wife of his master; thus, he showed a lot of respect to her. Compared to Nuo Lan, he was actually quite young. But for people at their level, they would have no longer cared about their age. Power spoke for all. Certainly, it was undeniable that women cared greatly for their look, so did men, this was also why the Youth Retaining Pellet might sometimes become more precious than the pills which helped to increase the strength.

Chapter 2132 - Eighth Grade Divine Weapon, Nuo Lan Got Heavily Injured

Zhang Yue started reading medical books again after he finished dinner. He hadn't really stopped doing that since the beginning. If he had any problems, he would wait until when Qing Shui was free to ask him about it.

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"How's little fox?" Qing Shui asked Nuo Lan softly with a little concern in his voice. He knew that she hadn't rested all this time. Judging by her personality, he was sure that she would have definitely made the Nine-Tailed Spiritual Fox feed on the Origin Essence Pill.

"This is great! It seems like the Origin Essence Pill does have a lot of uses. The Nine-Tailed Spiritual Fox can now be used to attack, and I have also gained access to a lot of martial techniques." Nuo Lan said in joy. Prior to this, there were certain killer moves which she hadn't been able to use. But now, thanks to the little fox, her strength was boosted even further.

Considering that she had the Immortal Fox Physique, Immortal Fox Qi could be felt emitting from her body. This kind of aura was mostly the work of the little fox. It was just like how the Hell Nightmare Beast bestowed Qing Shui with Foolish Loyalty. The ability which the little fox gave Nuo Lan was something similar to that.

It had only been a week. For now, a lot of people had already started coming to the Imperial Cuisine Hall to accept treatments. Thus, Qing Shui made the decision to treat two people at once tomorrow.

The following days went on very peacefully. Qing Shui would spend the time drinking some tea, accepting treatments and talking to the gorgeous ladies. Qing Shui felt that for now, his life was very relaxed. One thing to be happy for, he discovered that Zhang Yue possessed great talent. He managed to complete Qing Shui's tasks for him. During this time, Qing Shui would spend four hours to pass a bit of the medical knowledge into his brain.

Zhang Yue spent the majority of his time every day to swallow the knowledge given to him by Qing Shui. For the time being, it was the theories which Qing Shui was trying to teach him. He was only required to get a grasp of it. By the time he went practical, things would be fine.

It was not a simple task to nurture someone with outstanding medical skills. Even for Qing Shui, it was not something which could be done in a short period of time. Luckily, Qing Shui had the mysterious Meridians Knocking Soul Pulling Treatment and also made some changes to some of the simpler Acupunctures Technique. Thus, he was still able to bring up a decent physician within a year. If they wanted to walk even further along this path, they would have to slowly investigate on their own way of medicine.

The medicines were filled with mysteries. There mustn't be any errors made to the prescriptions, the type, as well as the quantity of the medicines used. To achieve this, one would need to be very experienced. This was precisely what Qing Shui after. About the experience part, Zhang Yue would have to rely on his own talents for this.

During this time, Qing Shui upgraded his Divine Weapon up to the eighth grade. After that, he was left with six cauldrons. Eight of them were required to achieve the ninth grade.

Because of the Treasure Basin, the amount of Divine Square Cauldrons needed to upgrade Qing Shui's Divine Weapon was cut by half. The sixth grade required 4 Divine Square Cauldrons, whereas the eighth grade would require 16 Divine Square Cauldrons. But because the quantities were cut by half in Qing Shui's case, he would only need a total of 14 cauldrons to get it into the eighth grade. The Hundred Treasure Chest gave Qing Shui 20 Divine Square Cauldrons, unfortunately, he was two cauldrons away from upgrading it to the ninth grade.

Qing Shui's Flying Sword had acquired a new ability.

Divine Weapon Seal unlocked, it could now be embedded with Talisman Stones.

Driven by excitement, Qing Shui took out the Talisman Stones and summoned his Flying Sword. Following on, he noticed a few small holes on top of the sword. Without further hesitations, he immediately embedded the stones into the sword. Each of them fit just right in. Each time he inserted a stone into the sword, a mysterious light and energy fluctuation would emerge from the sword.

By the time Qing Shui inserted all eight of the Talisman Stones, the Flying Sword began to shine with warm light. At the same time, Qing Shui also felt that his strength had increased by a bit. It was an indescribable feeling but very comfortable.

Qing Shui quickly looked towards the current Flying Sword.

Big Dipper Sword, Flying Sword Divine Weapon.

Eighth Grade.

Reduce the damage caused to the user's allies by a total of 10%. The effect lasts for the entire fight.

Increase the recovery speed of the user by 80% and also raise the offensive and defensive prowess by 16 billion Dao Force. The damage caused to the user's allies were also reduced by 8%.

Divine Weapon Seal: Unlocked, embedded with a Talisman Stone.

Ability of Divine Weapon Seal: Increases the offensive and defensive prowess, along with agility, toughness, endurance, speed, violent strikes as well as recovery speed of the user by 3%.

Even though a 3% increase was only a small amount, it was still better than nothing. In the future, it might become slightly more. This could already be considered well-desired results. Even without the abilities of the Divine Weapon Seal, the special attacks unleashed by the Divine Weapon alone was more than enough.

For the time being, the Divine Weapon alone could already deflect the damage caused to Qing Shui by 18%. It also reduced the enemies' extra damage by 16 billion Dao Force. Furthermore, the Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda was capable of blocking up to 31 billion Dao Force worth of attack. Last but not least, the Emperor's Qi reduced the opponent's overall strength by 20%.

Qing Shui felt very relaxed every time he thought about this. By now, his personal offensive prowess was worth 3,1 billion Dao Force and at the same time, he had 31 billion Dao Force of defensive prowess. Not only so, but he could even deflect up to 47 billion Dao Force of extra damages. (Abilities of Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda and Divine Weapon)

His defensive prowess had now passed 30 billion Dao Force. Adding on his ability to reduce his opponents' damaging prowess, a tremendous amount of strength would be needed just to hurt him.

Now, the strength of the Nine Continents Mountain was worth 15,5 billion Dao Force. Though it still lacked a bit in its offensive prowess, thanks to the Shield Attack which it was equipped with, it was able to clash against attacks up to 20 billion Dao Force without even trembling.

As time passed, Qing Shui's strength was also increasing rapidly. For the time being, he was quite satisfied with the rate he was progressing. This was all thanks to the abilities provided by the Divine Weapon. Similarly, he was also content with the upgrades his beasts had been going through. The defensive aura from the Divine Weapon, which reduced the damage caused to the users, also benefited the beasts.

Qing Shui wished that he could make more than 100 Divine Square Cauldrons by now and raise the level of his Divine Weapon to the tenth grade right away. By then, he would have been able to suppress the Five Tigers Immortal Palace with his own strength and shoulder the weights that Tantai Lingyan had on her mind. And after everything was over, he would finally be able to get married to her.

Qing Shui's heart warmed as he thought about Tantai Lingyan. Though this cold woman might have changed a bit because of him, she still couldn't get away from feeling lonely. She had yet to release herself from the weights she had in her heart. Deep down, even if she had Qing Shui in her mind, it was still difficult for her to totally let go of herself.

It would be only after Qing Shui had released her from her grudge would she finally feel relieved and start observing her surroundings and other beings which existed in this world. By then, he would have become her everything, and she would have found true happiness.

Without realizing it, Qing Shui was starting to feel more and more excited about that kind of future. However, he knew that now wasn't the right time to do it. He forced himself to calm down. It was just as Nuo Lan had said... since so many years had passed, why not wait patiently for an extra few more years for better results.

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A few calm days passed, and they came to an end. On this very day, Qing Shui's eyes welled up looking at Nuo Lan, whose clothes were soaked in blood as she appeared in front of him. After that, she collapsed, not capable of saying anything.

Qing Shui was badly shocked at first, but soon, the feeling of surprise got replaced with intense rage. He could tell from the injuries that she was struck by swords and blades. He immediately carried her up and ran upstairs. Without hesitations, he gave her the Great Revitalizing Pill and removed her clothes. He was obviously not in the mood to be amazed by her body at a critical time like this, especially when it was filled with grave wounds. Qing Shui could feel her life force deplete very quickly.

The little fox, on the other hand, was beside Nuo Lan while staring at Qing Shui with a miserable look. It was thanks to the little fox that Nuo Lan was able to get back.

Chapter 2133 - I Castrated Him

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Life and Death Needles!

Qing Shui's forehead was full of sweats. Nuolan was losing her vital energy, so Qing Shui had to stabilize her injuries as soon as possible.

He took out a piece of Golden Buddha Aura Lotus and fed it to Nuolan. Qing Shui heaved a sigh of relief, 108 golden needles were all over Nuolan's body. The needles were vibrating continuously, giving out light buzzing sounds.

Qing Shui gave her several medicines and used the Force of Rebirth to awaken her own survival strength.

After a day and night, the injury was finally under control but she still looked very pale. After all, she had lost too much blood. At that moment, Nuolan woke up. Seeing her own naked body which was full of golden needles, she blushed instantly that even her delicate ears became pinkish.

Her lips were very dry, but Qing Shui was relieved to see her waking up. He poured a glass of water and dripped a small droplet of Spring of Life in it.

Since she was lying down, Qing Shui could only feed her using a small spoon.

Initially, Nuolan resisted and wanted to drink on her own. Yet, she realized that she was unable to move. Hence, she could only give a bitter smile and allow Qing Shui to take care of her.

The water was very nice to drink since the Spring of Life was added. Qing Shui put the glass down, "I can remove the needles after a while, but don't move for now. You'll be fine after resting for two days."

Nuolan nodded.

After three hours, Qing Shui kept the needles away. Nuolan covered her body with the blanket immediately. She then said, "Qing Shui, I want to wash up."

Qing Shui nodded, "Watch out, you are still very weak. Call me if there is anything you need."

Qing Shui went to prepare some soft and light food. While preparing, he pondered about how the incident happened and who did this to Nuolan. With her strength, she should be able to fight back. Moreover, the little fox of hers had used the Advancing Divine Worm.

Qing Shui felt that it was someone who could resist Nuolan's charm. However, that was rare, even a woman would be distracted by the charm. Qing Shui thought of a situation whereby the one who did it was Nuolan's enemy. Plus, it should be someone who hated women.

These were Qing Shui's speculations. Based on the wounds on Nuolan's body, Qing Shui thought that the opponent was unable to defeat Nuolan in a single move. Hence, he made the above speculation. Besides, that person should not be weaker than Nuolan.

The charm made up a large portion in Nuolan's strength. Other than that, her movement skills were great. Though her attacking prowess was not overwhelmingly strong, it was sufficient. Usually, a warrior of a similar level could not even fight back while facing her.

After a short while, Nuolan changed and came back. She was very pale and less alluring. At that moment, there was a sense of coldness in her look. Qing Shui felt it was actually more attractive in her face and realized that her realm had improved.

The charm was not at its strongest when she was naked. Instead, it was more attractive when she was half-covered. The direct revelation was the lowest class. In a certain realm, any movement, any word, any expression, or even a simple sight could make the opponent lose his spirits.

"Thank you, I would have lost my life without you," Nuolan seemed to be very big-hearted. She smiled gently, but there was something hidden behind the smile.

"Why are you so formal? Take a seat, the dishes will be ready soon," Qing Shui smiled and pointed at the dining table.

Nuolan sat down. Soon after, Qing Shui served three vegetarian dishes and one soup. He opened the Tiger Bone Liquor since Nuolan needed some supplements now after her recent recovery. Fortunately, a warrior's body could take a strong liquor. Plus, Qing Shui's Tiger Bone Liquor was considered a kind of medicinal liquor.

"Qing Shui....."

"Eat first. After you finished, we will talk when you have the energy," Qing Shui poured a spoonful of soup and a glass of Tiger Bone Liquor for her.

Out of sudden, Nuolan felt like crying. She never expected to be taken care of someday; she used to feel tough and strong all the time. She did not know why but felt a cinch in her nose and could not control her tears.

Qing Shui saw the crystal teardrops rolling out from her beautiful eyes. He knew that she had a woman's heart under her tough appearance. When she was hurt, she might be able to heal by herself without someone by her side. Yet, when there was somebody to take care of her and give her shelter, she would lose control of her emotions.

Qing Shui felt sorry for her and wiped her tears off. The more he wiped, the more she cried. It was almost unstoppable...

"Stop crying, you will become an ugly little kitten," It was the first time Qing Shui saw Nuolan weeping so beautifully.

Nuolan regained her calm. Wiping her tears off, she looked at Qing Shui, "I'm fine, I'm feeling much better now."

As she was talking, she toasted with Qing Shui and finished her glass.

The meal was heart-warming. After that, Qing Shui asked Nuolan to lie down in the room while he watched Nuolan. He was sitting on the chair.

Nuolan thought of the treatment scene and flushed red. She lowered her head while saying, "The Second Young Master of Firecloud Palace."

Qing Shui frowned, the Divine Palace held no grudges against the Firecloud Palace. Hence, he had no idea why would it happen. He looked at Nuolan confusedly and asked softly, "Why would he hurt you?"

"I castrated him....."

Qing Shui was dumbfounded completely. Now, he knew why a man would hurt her so badly. Though it was different from his speculations, it was quite a close guess. In this case, the woman would lose her charm no matter how beautiful she was. He would kill her mercilessly.

Looking at Qing Shui surprise look, she continued, "At the Redcloud Marsh, the man from the Firecloud Palace buried hatred in his heart since we got the Advancing Divine Worm. Hence, he said he met a woman in the Redcloud Valley and described me as a very beautiful person. The Firecloud Palace's Second Young Master appeared because of it. He acted politely initially and wanted to pursue me. Then, I rejected and he tried to force me. Therefore, I castrated him and now, he wanted to kill me."

Nuolan described it in short, Qing Shui understood and nodded, "You did it right."

Qing Shui trembled too. Whoever married this woman had to watch out, he would be castrated once he let loose. Looking at Qing Shui's expression, Nuolan smiled and whispered, "I won't castrate you, why are you trembling?"

Qing Shui giggled, "This incident will not end here, the Firecloud Palace will probably come again."

"Yes, the Lord should have known about it now."

Nuolan just ended her line when she heard a voice, "Little girl, rest well for your recovery. Don't worry about other things, the Divine Palace is not afraid of anyone. Whoever bullies the Divine Palace, we will make them pay."

The Golden Battle God walked in, he felt deeply sorry to see Nuolan's weak state now. The people in the Divine Palace were largely young and considered as the juniors of the Golden Battle God.

"Lord, did I trouble you?" said Nuolan softly, sitting upright while talking.

“No problem, when did the Divine Palace fear the troubles? Why did we organize the Divine Palace if we are afraid of troubles?” The Golden Battle God laughed.

“Lord, this time the fault is on the Firecloud Palace. He deserved it, he wanted to kill Nuolan. I will not let him go even if he wants to end it here,” Qing Shui knew it was not that simple as he saw the flashing beam in the eyes of Golden Battle God. Hence, he went ahead and lit up the fire.

Chapter 2134 - The Battle Invitation From Firecloud Palace, Old Battle God Was Happy

“Lord, this time the fault is on the Firecloud Palace. He deserved it, he wanted to kill Nuolan. I will not let him go even if he wants to end it here,”

Listening to Qing Shui, the Golden Battle God was startled and smiled, “Good, the Divine Palace needs the fire like yours. The Firecloud Palace came and requested a battle, each side sends five persons. Life and death are on own account, but the loser has to agree with the terms of the opponent.”

Qing Shui frowned. A battle of five on five, Qing Shui felt a bit relieved now. That was great, he could play a prominent role in a battle like this. Still, he asked, “Have you discussed the terms of victory?”

“The opponent stated the terms. We have to give Nuolan to them if we lose, this isn’t debatable,” said the Golden Battle God softly.

Nuolan trembled slightly, it would probably be worse to live by then. She would rather die than to stay alive.

“What are the terms if we win?” asked Qing Shui.

“I haven’t agreed since I can’t agree with their terms. I postponed it until tomorrow,” said the Golden Battle God helplessly.

Qing Shui knew it now, he did not agree because he had no confidence to win. The Golden Battle God appeared to be not too worried, but Qing Shui knew that was just in the surface. In fact, the elderly was undergoing a huge pressure.

Nuolan knew it as well and said to the Golden Battle God, “Lord, this incident happens because of me. I’ll go.”

“Silly girl, what are you saying. I would rather give up my old body than to allow you being bullied unless I’m no longer here, there is no other way then,” The Golden Battle God interrupted Nuolan.

“Lord, reply to them. Put me in the list of combatants,” Qing Shui thought and said.

Nuolan was about to say something, but she stopped.

The Golden Battle God looked at Qing Shui and then at Nuolan.

“Lord, do as Qing Shui said. I’m just worried about you guys,” Nuolan sounded as if she was in a struggle.

“Trust me, we will definitely win. Lord, let’s think about what we want when we win,” Qing Shui smiled.

The Golden Battle God watched Qing Shui with a weird expression, “We will win?”

“If I join, we will surely win. Let me prove it to you,” said Qing Shui with a smile.

“How do you prove it?” The Golden Battle God looked excited too. He felt helpless in this matter. Initially, he wanted to discuss the fight with the Taiyi Immortal Palace. However, he felt as though it was not urgent enough to that extent, so he was in a deep worry.

“Lord, if you go against any one of them. How confident are you to win over them?” asked Qing Shui.

“If we go one on one, I will not lose no matter who is the opponent. However, there are two fellows that I can’t win over and they have similar strengths with me,” said the Golden Battle God honestly.

No wonder he was worried. The opponent had at least two elderlies with similar strengths as the Golden Battle God. In the 5vs5 battle, one of them would cling on the Golden Battle God and the remaining one could still kill the other four men from Divine Palace. Since there were no rules regarding life and death, they would probably try their best to kill.

Qing Shui smiled while listening to the elderly, he said, “It’s alright then, you can defeat all of them alone and you will be making a clean sweep.”

“Bad kid, stop the suspense. Just quickly prove it!” The Golden Battle God was hectic.

Qing Shui smiled and nodded. He used the Buddha Diamond Seal and Buddha Wisdom Seal at once. The Battle God Halo and Divine Weapon could enhance the abilities of the teammate, the Area Dominance, Formation, etc...

The Golden Battle God was stunned and at loss of words now. He stared blankly at Qing Shui for a long while. He seemed to be looking at an unparalleled treasure in the universe. Qing Shui knew it was set by how the Golden Battle God looked at him. Qing Shui wondered how would the Golden Battle God think if he knew about his weakening techniques.

“Lord, how was that? Do you have confidence in me?” asked Qing Shui hastily.

“Haha, yes! We are already undefeated, but they might have some special abilities too. Even though there are two of them who are as strong as me, this time, I must make them fall and never get up in three hundred years,” The Golden Battle God laughed.

Nuolan heaved a sigh of relief as the Golden Battle God was about to leave. Qing Shui smiled, “Lord, wait a moment. Just to be safe. I’ll give you something.”

Qing Shui gave a Violent Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda to the elderly so that his attacking power would increase by several folds.

A violent energy drifted in the elderly’s body after receiving it. He knew the benefits of this miraculous pagoda, there was a tendency for the attacks to increase by several folds. At this level, his attacks were very fast. Even if the tendency was small, the high frequency of the attack could cover the low probability. Upon the occurrence during a violent attack, the boosted attacking power would take the opponent’s life instantly.

Qing Shui knew the advantage of this Violent Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda now. For the sake of the battle, he gave it to the Golden Battle God. Besides, Qing Shui enhanced the elderly’s constitution and healed the hidden illness in his body. Using some mild medicine, the Golden Battle God obtained a tremendous increase in his vital energy. His strength was firmer and stronger now.

Qing Shui thought of it clearly, with the presence of Golden Battle God, the Divine Palace could stand firmly. Hence, he would try his best to make the Golden Battle God stand up higher and longer.

"I didn't see that coming. Qing Shui, your presence is the fortune of the Divine Palace. After this incident, I will pass over the Divine Palace to you," said the Golden Battle God happily.

"Elder, no no, I didn't only do this for the sake of this battle. I want to keep you as our leader forever. With you around, I'm not worried, the Divine Palace will be more stable. We are a family, so this isn't much," replied Qing Shui hastily.

The Golden Battle God smiled at Qing Shui, "I don't understand you, just let me know if you want to be the Lord. I notice that you are the fortunate star. Now, I can see the bright future of the Divine Palace. Regardless if you want to be the Lord or not, I feel much relieved. Even when I'm no longer around, the Divine Palace will not fall with your presence."

"Elder, don't try to take it off your shoulder. My actual strength is just so-so, but you have seen my abilities. Without you, it won't work since I can only make my allies stronger," Qing Shui knew he had to show the elderly some fear. After all, no one was comparable to the Golden Battle God in the Divine Palace. If something happened to the Golden Battle God, the Divine Palace would be in danger.

The Golden Battle God nodded, "No worries, I have not lived enough yet. I still want to see how far you could lead the Divine Palace."

The Golden Battle God left happily after resolving his woes. This trip was really rewarding, the Divine Palace had higher hopes now. It was certain, probably in the soonest future, the Divine Palace could regain their glory and the top forces would never look down on them again.

Chapter 2135 - Let It Go, We Are Still Brothers

"Qing Shui, are you confident? If you're not, everybody doesn't have to risk it for me," Nuolan hesitated before saying this after the Golden Battle God left.

"Don't worry, just focus on getting well soon. Nobody can bully you from now on, I will make you live happily," said Qing Shui casually.

Nuolan seemed calm on the surface, but there was a big stir in her heart. A woman liked to be pampered, the feeling made her feel in trance. This man was younger than her, but she felt smaller now.

At this moment, a figure rushed in. The man in a hurry was Beihuang Yu.

"Nuolan, Nuolan, how are you?" asked Beihuang Yu anxiously.

"I'm fine, thank you," Nuolan smiled, but there was a strange feeling. At present, which one was more important between the two persons in front, which one was close to her heart, she had a distinct idea about it.

"Nuolan is injured, why would you let her injured when you're around?" Beihuang Yu looked at Qing Shui.

Qing Shui frowned and said nothing while looking back at Beihuang Yu. Nuolan replied, "He saved my life."

Beihuang Yu was in a struggle. Yet, Qing Shui said at this moment, “Nuolan needs to rest, please go back!”

This statement was obvious enough, you did not deserve to stand here questioning the others, did you?

Beihuang Yu wanted to say something, but he calmed down eventually and said to Qing Shui, “Sorry, I have no rights to blame you. I was just too impulsive to see Nuolan being injured.”

Qing Shui did not expect that this guy would apologize. Regardless of his sincerity, Qing Shui waved, “Alright, let’s go out and leave Nuolan to rest.”

While saying that, Qing Shui walked out together with Beihuang Yu.

“The battle with the Firecloud Palace, Count me in,” said Beihuang Yu to Qing Shui directly. The news spread out, stating that Nuolan from the Divine Palace hurt the Second Young Master of Firecloud Palace. Now, the Firecloud Palace challenged the Divine Palace with a five on five battle.

Though the Divine Palace did not agree yet, the opponent spread the news to force the Divine Palace to accept it. However, the Golden Battle God left earlier and should have accepted it by now. As for the time of battle, Qing Shui was waiting for the news.

“This is the battle between the Divine Palace and Firecloud Palace. Since you are the young master of Taiyi Immortal Palace, this is not right,” Qing Shui shook his head.

“Let me in, I guarantee that I won’t pull your leg,” said Beihuang Yu seriously.

“But you don’t belong to the Divine Palace, people will talk about it,” said Qing Shui softly.

This was the taboo of the Main Continents and Beihuang Yu was contemplating too. After all, he was someone popular. He was the young master of the Taiyi Immortal Palace and the future Lord of Taiyi Immortal Palace. He was the ultimate genius of Northern Emperor Domain, so everyone was eyeing on him. Many people wished for his disappearance too.

“Alright, you should just watch it this time. The Divine Palace will not lose,” Qing Shui sounded confident.

Even after seeing Qing Shui’s confident look and experienced his skills, Beihuang Yu was still a little worried. Anyhow, the participants of this battle were absolutely stronger than their level. They would get killed with the slightest mistake.

Beihuang Yu was not a rookie. He worried about Nuolan, but Qing Shui saved Nuolan this time and he felt it in Nuolan’s room previously that he was now further apart from Nuolan. Besides, he sensed that Nuolan was against him secretly. Although she never wanted to accept him, now she was slightly against him.

She rejected him because of someone else in her heart and the man would never be him. Thus, it could only be Qing Shui. He knew Nuolan well enough, it was definitely Qing Shui.

“You’re still better than me. I have no chance to chase after Nuolan, but I wish you will treat her better,” Beihuang Yu sounded upset.

Qing Shui knew that this man sincerely admired Nuolan despite having many women outside. A man like him could hardly let it go, but there were no other choices sometimes. The sooner he let it go, the better. Otherwise, he would be hurt and it would be worse as the time went by.

“There is nothing between us,” Qing Shui took it lightly. Even though he had seen Nuolan’s body, the situation was special. She was a patient and Qing Shui would not have any thoughts about her and would never do anything with that.

“I know, but Nuolan will never accept other men anymore. There is no place for me in her heart,” said Beihuang Yu bitterly.

“Fight hard for this battle. You have to win this, for Nuolan’s sake and for yourself, we are still brothers in the future,” Beihuang Yu looked at Qing Shui seriously.

“I will. By the way, do you know about your condition?” Qing Shui decided to say it out after listening to Beihuang Yu’s words.

“What condition?” Beihuang Yu trembled.

Qing Shui knew Beihuang Yu was aware of his condition and said gently, “You did not stay single for Nuolan and you never thought of marrying Nuolan. You never even thought of doing anything to her, because you have only three years of life. You don’t want your wife and your children to get bullied after you leave.”

Beihuang Yu shivered uncontrollably; then, he turned around slowly, “How did you know? Nobody else knew it except myself, even my family members knew nothing about it. I train and live as usual so that they don’t suspect anything.”

“You forget that I’m a doctor, a Miraculous Physician,” Qing Shui smiled.

“Unfortunately, even a Miraculous Physician could do nothing for me. I was poisoned during training. I could only extend my life by thirty years if I break through my current level. There is no other way. I can never break through within three years and my life is coming to an end,” sighed Beihuang Yu slowly.

He kept this secret for twenty years. Previously, he experienced breakthroughs continuously. Initially, his realm was low, so he could extend his life for several years. Now, the extended lifespan was coming to an end, but it was as hard as climbing to Heaven to break through.

Qing Shui smiled, Beihuang Yu’s situation was caused by the worsening of hidden illness. It was several times deadlier to accumulate the hidden illness, thus, he reached his end of life at a young age. In the Main Continents, this situation was incurable. Many warriors who had a thousand years of lifespan only survived up to five hundred years. These were all hidden illnesses, the long-term training brought a different extent of damages to the body. Even after recuperation and having supplements, the hidden illness would remain.

“I just wanted to tell you, I can cure your condition,” Qing Shui smirked.

“It was curable?” Beihuang Yu was not surprised, he was only doubtful and in disbelief. Like a late-stage cancer patient listening to an unlicensed doctor in a small clinic in the past life, it was too good to believe.

“I know you won’t believe it, let’s do it today then. I see that you could barely stand it,” Qing Shui stood up and gestured Beihuang Yu to follow him to a quiet place.

Chapter 2136 - Beihuang Liefeng, Blazing Fire Immortal Palace

Qing Shui brought Beihuang Yu to a deserted place using the Nine Continents Steps. He set up a Formation, released the demonic beast, and then helped Beihuang Yu to heal the hidden illness in his body.

Qing Shui never saw someone with a hidden illness growing so fast. Usually, a genius would have more impurities and hidden illnesses building up. But on the other hand, a genius had a stronger healing ability. Hence, in this case, it would just be similar to an ordinary person.

Yet, it was different in Beihuang Yu’s case. He lost a great amount of his natural healing ability and that caused his hidden illness to build up rapidly. After a breakthrough, the strong existing cells could only delay the breakout of the hidden illness. As time went by, the damage resulting from the hidden illness would increase.

Beihuang Yu was still in disbelief. However, after seeing Qing Shui’s serious look while holding the golden needles, he did not reject it. After all, he only had a short lifespan left. He believed Qing Shui did not have a bad intention, so he did as Qing Shui said.

Qing Shui was fast, he put on the Gold Needles one by one. Simultaneously, he led the operation of the Origin Qi in Beihuang Yu’s body. The Force of Rebirth activated the dormant survival strength in Beihuang Yu’s body. The longer it took, the stronger the vital energy in Beihuang Yu’s body become. The hidden illness was also forced to focus on one spot gradually.

Qing Shui’s Gold Needles spread over many areas and expelled the damage of the hidden illness. As Qing Shui held out his hand and tapped on Beihuang Yu’s back, a dark and viscous liquid appeared on the Gold Needles.

These droplets gave out a stinky fish-like odor and dripped slowly, droplet after droplet.

It was very slow, the green grass on the ground was eroded instantly by this black liquid and dried out, forming a big dried-out patch of grass. The droplets took very long to form, but there were eighty-one Gold Needles in total. Every nine needles formed a small region and one of them secreted the toxin.

Hence, only nine Gold Needles were dripping and excreting these impurities.

Beihuang Yu believed him now; these disgusting objects were currently excreted out of his body. It was hard to believe, but he was extremely astonished. Qing Shui was indeed a Miraculous Physician.

In fact, he never treated Qing Shui’s Art of Healing seriously, but he was deeply impressed by Qing Shui’s culinary skills. Now that he knew Qing Shui had a really terrific Art of Healing, he really experienced a blessing in disguise. This was much greater than the impurities cleansing.

When the Gold Needles stopped vibrating and excreting black liquid, he stopped the formation, “Stop looking blank and dress up. It is time to go back.”

Beihuang Yu was muddle-headed; he acted as if he were under a kind of illusion and could not differentiate the dream from reality. The current situation only appeared in his dreams. He stared at Qing Shui in disbelief, "Am I dreaming? Try to hit me."

Qing Shui raised his leg and kicked Beihuang Yu away...

"It's real, come on, once more..."

Qing Shui was speechless. After kicking him for more than ten times, Beihuang Yu burst into laughter. He laughed so much that he burst into tears. All these years, he was the genius of the Northern Emperor Domain, the young master of Taiyi Immortal Palace, but he could never be happy. He had a heavy burden which drove him to the point of suffocation.

"My good brother, tell me, how should I thank you?" Beihuang Yu was over the moon right now.

"Good brothers don't talk about this, let's go back. Nuolan is alone there. Although she's fine, it's better to be careful," Qing Shui led Beihuang Yu back to the Imperial Cuisine Hall.

"Qing Shui, do you like Nuolan?" asked Beihuang Yu.

"I know what you're trying to say, a woman shouldn't be given away. Therefore, you don't have to tell me that you're out of the competition. I think you understand me," Qing Shui interrupted Beihuang Yu and smiled.

"Alright, I got it. No matter what happens in the future, regardless of what we do and what changes, you will be my good brother."

Beihuang Yu left... Qing Shui noticed Nuolan's sleepy face when he went to her room. She seemed to have just woken up. Her sluggish expression was looking more lively and beautiful at this moment. Still, she looked pale. That did not affect her beauty; it made her look more lovable.

"Are you feeling better?" Qing Shui came back to his senses and sat by the bed.

"I'm fine!" Nuolan smiled. Then, she sat upright, leaning against the bed frame.

Qing Shui took a pillow and placed it behind her so that she could lay back comfortably. The gesture was very natural, he nearly hugged her back halfway before putting the pillow behind her.

From the moment Qing Shui saw Nuolan almost losing her life after the serious injury, he developed a strange feeling. He was not as restricted as before while facing her. She was like his family. It was so natural to do this now.

Nuolan was confused too. She felt shy in the beginning, but she calmed down as she saw Qing Shui's face. Closing her eyes slightly, she enjoyed the peacefulness in his care.

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One day passed; the battle between the Firecloud Palace and the Divine Palace was set. If the opponent won, the Divine Palace would send Nuolan away; if the Divine Palace won, the Firecloud Palace was not allowed to enter the Northern Emperor Domain anymore.

Both of them agreed. The battle was five against five, life and death were on their own account. In a battle like this, there was no mercy; it was indeed a battle of life or death. After all, having mercy on the enemy was to be cruel to yourself. Perhaps, one single moment of hesitation would get yourself killed.

The venue was at the Northern Ling between the Northern Emperor Domain and the Firecloud Domain. Northern Ling was a tall mountain located at the central region. It was where many people from the Northern Emperor Domain and the Firecloud Domain lived.

There was no battle stage but there was a notary panel from the Taiyi Immortal Palace and the Blazing Fire Immortal Palace of the Firecloud Domain.

The sun was scorching on the day, it was especially hot on the Northern Ling Mountain. Besides the people from Taiyi Immortal Palace, Blazing Fire Immortal Palace, Firecloud Palace, and Divine Palace, there were many audiences. The people from the Demon Gate and the Five Tiger Immortal Palace were here too.

Qing Shui met the Lord of Taiyi Immortal Palace this time who was also Beihuang Yu's grandfather. This was an elderly with grey hair hanging on the sides of his face and wearing a plain white robe. He had a tall and lean body, tall nose, and some wrinkles on the corner of his eyes.

In Qing Shui's opinion, he looked like a middle-aged man without the grey hair. The hair color made him look like an elderly.

His figure was tall and upright like a javelin instead of a sharp sword. He was mature and steady, cultured and profound. Beihuang Yu stood behind him.

The Blazing Fire Immortal Palace sent an old man wearing a fiery red robe. His beard and hair were messy. With a jubilant look, his red, stubby nose gave him a hippy vibe. If he did not wear luxurious clothes, people would mistake him with a beggar.

"Beihuang Liefeng, let us be the judges today. I have to say it beforehand, we must be fair," The elderly said and giggled.

Qing Shui saw an evil sight on the old man's jubilant face at this moment. After thinking, he figured out that at this level, each one of them had blood all over the hands and stepped over others' skeletons.

Chapter 2137 - Divine Palace and Firecloud Palace, Five On Five

Beihuang Liefeng was Beihuang Yu's grandfather and the present Lord of Taiyi Immortal Palace. He looked at the old man in red robe calmly to say, "I will definitely be fair, but if anyone tries to cheat, I don't mind to stand out."

"Great then, I know the Taiyi Immortal Palace and Divine Palace have a good bonding, but this battle is a fair play. After this, no matter who is the winner, no one is allowed to make a fuss out of it," The old man laughed.

"Miao Yonglong, time to let both sides in," Beihuang Liefeng continued.

Next, five from the Divine Palace and five from the Firecloud Palace were showing on the battle stage.

On Qing Shui's side, the Golden Battle God took the lead, followed by the Hill Moving Battle God Yuwen Da, and the Diamond Battle God. Diamond was his name; Qing Shui was amused to find this out. The Diamond Battle God was not the most muscular one, but he seemed like lumps of steel. He was an honest and gentle guy. However, his greatest strength was his resistance power.

The Giant Spirit Battle God Yang Tai and the Tiger Knife Battle God Hu Kuang were next. The Tiger Knife Battle God was a middle-aged guy who held a golden, big knife all the time. His knife was never released from his hand. This was one of the factors that brought him to this level.

The Giant Spirit Battle God was the biggest one on the team. He was like a little giant, holding a huge hammer, the Giant Spirit Hammer. The hammer was a great weapon and even better than the one Qing Shui owned.

Together with Qing Shui, they made the team of five. They were considered the five strongest men of the Divine Palace, that made Qing Shui feel that the Divine Palace was relatively weak. Though Beihuang Yu could theoretically stand as a participant here, he was still a tad too weak. If it was not for the Golden Battle God, the current Divine Palace was really fragile.

The Diamond Battle God was straightforward and honest; he could not lead the Divine Palace despite his great strength. The Giant Spirit Battle God was the same too. The Tiger Knife Battle God was obsessed with cultivation and had no interest in other stuff. The Hill Moving Battle God was eligible, but there still was something lacking.

Hence, Qing Shui felt like Nuolan had the highest hope of being a leader. As for himself, Qing Shui did not take it into consideration for the time being. Even if he really became the Lord of the Divine Palace, he would pass over the affairs to others. Yet, it was not the time to think about this; the Golden Battle God was still present. With him around, everything was fine.

Qing Shui observed the five people from the Firecloud Palace's side. The leading two people were elderlies. One of them was the Lord of Firecloud Palace, Huo Xing; Another one was the Great Elder, Huo Yan. The remaining three were Elders of the Firecloud Palace. The youngest and most good-looking middle-aged man was Huo Chen; a man with a lot of potentials.

The other two were Huo Ye and Huo Yi, the top warriors of the Firecloud Palace. Unlike the Divine Palace, the Firecloud Palace would not harm its core even if they lost all of these men. Yet, if the Divine Palace lost these five men, it was basically finished.

The Divine Palace was no match for the Firecloud Palace in terms of core strength. It was far behind the Taiyi Immortal Palace too. The Divine Palace seemed to be great and have a huge potential, but it could not take any losses now.

Both sides were set in position!

Qing Shui activated the Formation calmly. The Five Elements Formation connected the five of them instantly and covered them with the 18% damage reducing aura of the Divine Weapon Flying Sword.

Qing Shui was very confident now since most of his teammates were tough. For example, the Diamond Battle God, the Giant Spirit Battle God, and the Hill Moving Battle God. Only the Tiger Knife Battle God was more inclined to violence.

Battle God Halo!

Qing Shui used the strongest halo and increased everyone's defensive power by 40%. Qing Shui decided to rely on the Golden Battle God for the offensive output. With the Violent Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda, several times of Violent Attack were enough to secure their victory.

The battle began!

As Miao Yonglong announced the start of the battle, Qing Shui used the Buddha Diamond Seal and the Buddha Wisdom Seal. Then, he used the Area Dominance against the opponent.

Qing Shui knew very well that the opponent had some Formations and boosting abilities too.

Thus, the Area Dominance stunned the opponent.

The battle was about to break out at any moment. Suddenly, an old man dashed towards the Golden Battle God immediately. The remaining men rushed over to Qing Shui's direction. The Great Elder who was one of the two strongest Elders sprinted towards Qing Shui and used his most powerful Blazing Fire Poison Palm.

"Diamond, protect Qing Shui," The Golden Battle God twitched his eyes. He did not expect the old guy to target Qing Shui directly. Once Qing Shui was down, they would be doomed.

Diamond yelled and blocked the opponent in front of Qing Shui; he was tapping out his palm which was as big as the cattail leaf fan.

Great Strength Diamond Palm!

Diamond felt like a small mountain now. His defensive power increased more than half and his body felt heavy and comfortable. He felt at ease to use the Great Strength Diamond Palm now.

Emperor's Qi!

Qing Shui threw the Emperor's Qi to the old man at once. At that moment, the old man's palm and Diamond's palm clashed together.

Bang!

The dull noise flattened the small mountain below their feet. Yet, they were floating in the air at this moment.

Qing Shui noticed that Diamond was hit and got anxious. Yet, Diamond's laughter was heard soon after. Then, he dashed toward the Great Elder of Firecloud Palace with his leaf fan in hand, saying, "Come again, it's so refreshing."

Emperor's Qi, Art of Pursuing!

Qing Shui began to use the skills against others. After a series of techniques, Qing Shui was slightly relieved.

The Hill Moving Battle God fought against the youngest from Firecloud Palace, Huo Chen. It was hard to declare the winner in a short period. Huo Chen was being thrown away by the Hill Moving Battle God from time to time. Yet, the Hill Moving Battle God was forced to a tight corner by the opponent too.

The remaining two people surrounded the Giant Spirit Battle God. Qing Shui was impressed by the Giant Spirit Battle God. This huge guy looked clumsy with his big hammer, but he was actually very agile and flexible. He controlled both his contenders persons wonderfully. Though he was hit by the attacks sometimes, he evaded the major strikes. With the daunting defensive power, he suffered some minor wounds, but it was difficult to define the winner in such a short duration.

To the outsiders, the breaking point laid between Qing Shui, Diamond, and the Great Elder of Firecloud Palace. After all, the Golden Battle God and the Firecloud Palace Lord, Huo Xing were almost at the same level and it was hard to tell who was stronger. However, many unbelievable things happened.

Initially, they thought the battle would end very soon since Diamond and Qing Shui would be cleared out by the Great Elder instantly. The others next, and then, they would fight against the old Golden Battle God together.

However, the old Golden Battle God was basically pushing the Firecloud Palace Lord. They had similar strengths initially, but the old Golden Battle God was now at an advantage.

The Firecloud Palace Lord, Huo Xing was extremely terrified now. He used the emergency boosting pill for this battle. The effect would last for six hours and he would be weak for three days after that. Yet, during the battle, his existing strength was largely reduced and oppressed. He should be as strong as this old guy even if that was the case...

The old Golden Battle God beating Huo Xing was not the most surprising news. Instead, the Great Elder of Firecloud Palace did not take down the two juniors of Divine Palace and was now being counter-attacked. Qing Shui used the Dragon-Capturing Hands, Buddha Bright Seal and Gouging Strike alternately. Occasionally, he used the Nine Continents Mountain's Shield Attack and the Repulsion Move.

Qing Shui saw that the condition was getting stable now since he could not win over the Great Elder of Firecloud Palace as well. Qing Shui sensed the steaming fury of the Great Elder and the terrifying energy building up in his body. Qing Shui knew that something was wrong.

"Diamond, back off! Quick!" yelled Qing Shui hastily. He pushed out the Nine Continents Mountain all of a sudden!

Chapter 2138 - Total Dominance of the Match, a Complete Victory

"Jin Gang! Back off immediately!" Qing Shui shouted out loud as he quickly moved the Nine Continents Mountain forward.

Jin Gang didn't know what was going on but he still listened and backed off. Right as he tried to do so, a hollow image charged towards Jin Gang. The Nine Continents Mountain managed to stop the opponent in its path, but it got blown very far away. Not only so, thanks to the formidable colliding forces received by the Nine Continents Mountain, both Qing Shui and Jin Gang were also blown away along with it.

Right at this moment, Qing Shui noticed that the opponent was a demonic beast. Qing Shui quickly unleashed his Dragon-capturing Hands and summoned his Dragon Slaying Beast and Dragon Spider at the same time.

Qing Shui didn't know what kind of a demonic beast that was. It had a thick figure but small limbs. It was unbelievably fast and most importantly, it was also super strong. It had an ugly look which resembled an enormous maggot with four limbs. Its overall look resembled a mouse. A very huge one. It was about tens of meters long and as thick as a water jar.

The Dragon-capturing Hands had failed. Qing Shui was shocked to see the ugly man charging towards Jin Gang.

Qing Shui's expression changed. Jin Gang let out both his arms and abruptly thrust out the Diamond Palms.

Beng-beng!

Ka-cha!

Both of Jin Gang's arms were detached from his body as he was knocked backward. Qing Shui once again placed the Nine Continents Mountain in front of him and unleashed the Bloodthirsty Demonic Vines.

The Bloodthirsty Demonic Vines weren't trying to stop the demonic beast. Instead, they were protecting Jin Gang. The vines could not only be used to attack, but could also act as a defensive measure as well.

Emperor's Qi! Area Dominance!

Qing Shui used all of the weakening techniques on the demonic beast.

At this moment, the ugly beast fixed its disgusting sights on Qing Shui. It was until now when Qing Shui noticed the small yet sharp eyes of the beast. At the same time, the Grand Elder was already charging towards Qing Shui.

Qing Shui saw some arrogance behind the Grand Elder's murderous intent. His demonic beast was indeed terrifying. It was significantly more powerful than the usual beasts. Without a doubt, it was his trump card. The demonic beast was enough to cause a threat to the Golden Battle God who was battling at the moment thanks to its immunities against a lot of Spirit Energy Attacks. Added to that, it also had a thick and rough skin. Once it became powerful enough, even the Grand Elder wouldn't be able to hurt it.

Beng!

By now, the Golden Battle God had already broken Huo Xing's weapon in half. Not only so, but he had even managed to strike Huo Xing's shoulder with his weapon. The moment his weapon interacted with the shoulder, it immediately got crippled.

Critical Strike! Furthermore, the opponent's weapons had also been cut in half. This was the ability of the Golden Battle God. He didn't hold the Golden Battle Halberd as his weapon, but the Golden Holy Sword.

Other than saying that Huo Xing was in bad luck, there was no other way to explain this. Not only was he completely suppressed by the Golden Battle God in strength, but since the Golden Battle God's defensive prowess was too formidable, he was shocked to realize that the battle god didn't even get injured from the attacks which he had unleashed before.

The Golden Battle God was unleashing his attacks like a rainstorm at the moment. After all, his defense had been boosted by more than 50% while the damage he received was reduced by 20%. With the further aid provided by the Buddha Wisdom Seal, he had also managed to neglect some of the physical damages inflicted to him. However, Huo Xing seemed to have something unique with him. It seemed that its effect has been cut down in half by Qing Shui's Area Dominance. Under normal circumstances, however, the effect should be even more significant. After being weakened by the Emperor's Qi, not much remained of the additional strength boosts which he had received.

Hence, as of now, the Golden Battle God had the opponent totally suppressed with his strength. Since the beginning, Huo Xing had been trying to resist against it by trying to divert the strength away. He had no chance of fighting back. This time, after receiving the impact from the clash of the weapon, he stepped back once again. To his surprise, however, not only was his weapon broken in half, at the same time, the tremendous strength was also activated.

He quickly dodged away from the spot he was standing at. Despite that, he still lost an arm.

And at this moment, the Golden Battle God once again slashed his sword at him. Without any advantages in speed, Huo Xing's eyes were starting to be filled with despair. He had never expected for such a situation to happen. He refused to admit defeat, even if it meant his death. This was his fate: to lose in a battle in which he was bound to win.

On the next blow, Qing Shui was swallowed up by darkness.

Beng!

Qing Shui clashed with the demonic beast. The golden light didn't appear, but a thread of fresh blood could be seen flowing down the corner of his mouth. Qing Shui was hurt, though it wasn't a serious injury. Furthermore, it was an internal injury. This was quite shocking considering how tough Qing Shui's defensive prowess was. The Divine Weapon combined with the Buddha Wisdom Seal could together help reduce ? of the damage caused to him.

And thanks to the boost he had received from before, his defensive prowess went all the way up to 50 billion Dao Force. The Emperor's Qi had also lowered down 20% of the opponent's strength.

However, something wasn't right..... Qing Shui was starting to notice the source of the problem. The opponent seemed to be unaffected by his techniques. He appeared to have developed some kind of immunity towards them.

No wonder! By now, Qing Shui had understood why the Dragon-capturing Hands and the Buddha Light Seal didn't work previously.

The Art of Pursuing also failed. However, the Emperor's Qi seemed to have worked. The Art of Pursuing had a 100% accuracy. It was very uncommon for the opponent to not be influenced by it.

"Die!"

The Grand Elder suddenly charged towards Qing Shui with the tip of his weapon pointing towards Qing Shui's neck. He was nearing Qing Shui from the back. His speed was so fast that his entire figure turned into a faint green light.

Qing Shui was aware that the opponent has used some sort of secret techniques.

Qing Shui was completely motionless. But right at the moment when the opponent's weapon was about to pierce through his neck, Qing Shui immediately struck the opponent's neck in return with the Gouging Strike. Coincidentally, the Dragon Slaying Beast happened to be on his left. The enormous horn immediately pierced through the skull of the Grand Elder.

A golden light enveloped Qing Shui. The golden light of the Paragon Golden Armor had appeared. It had been a long time since it last showed up. Qing Shui would be very careful every time he used it. The reason was that one more careless mistake could cost him his life.

But right at this moment, a spider thread started binding the demonic beast. The demonic beast seemed to fear the spider thread. Without hesitating, it opened its mouth and started biting on the spider thread.

Zi-zhi.....

It sounded very loud and unpleasant to hear. After chewing repeatedly for more than ten times, the beast finally managed to bite it off. However, it soon came to the realization that it had been wrapped up like a dumpling and was completely immobilized.

Originally, the Golden Battle God, Bei Lai had intended to go and save Qing Shui. But to his surprise, Qing Shui has managed to even kill the opponent's Grand Elder.

Qing Shui called back his Bloodthirsty Demonic Vines. The Diamond Battle God approached him in disbelief while the Golden Battle God charged towards the remaining three people. Seeing that, the opponents admitted defeat. However, two of the unlucky ones didn't manage to yell out in time and got one of their legs cut off.

A lot of people found it hard to believe the outcome of the battle. It was indeed well beyond their expectations.

Beihuang Yu didn't seem to be shocked by it. He was watching everything that happened very calmly.

"Yu`Er, you don't seem to find it unusual at all."

Beihuang Liefeng noticed Beihuang Yu's expression.

"Grandpa, I was sure that this brat was going to give me a surprise. He is a weird man." Beihuang Yu said.

"Are you familiar with him?" Beihuang Liefeng smiled and said.

"He is the one who gave me my life."

"Do you mean to tell me that he was the one who cured you of your hidden illness?" Beihuang Liefeng immediately looked at Beihuang Yu in shock.

Beihuang Yu was even more surprised, "Grandpa, you know about my body's condition?"

"Of course I do. It's just that I don't have a way to cure you. Since I am not sure whether you know about it or not, I didn't talk to you about it. In fact, I thought that you managed to come across some sort of miraculous encounter which had somehow cured you of it." Beihuang Liefeng was feeling very agitated.

"He is a Miraculous Physician. A true, Miraculous Physician." Beihuang Yu said gently. As he stood there, his figure began shining in golden light, making him seemed tall and big.

Chapter 2139 - That Ugly Thing Was the Primordial Pig!?

There was a mysterious light dwelling within Beihuang Liefeng's pupils. Soon, he smiled and said, "Not bad. It seems that Yu'er may have found himself a good friend."

A smiling expression briefly appeared on Beihuang Yu's face. It was not always that the old man would praise someone. Furthermore, it was a young man that he was praising. Even Beihuang Yu himself had hardly received any compliments from this grandpa of his.

Beihuang Liefeng walked out, only to see Miao Yonglong with an unsightly expression.

Seeing Miao Yonglong's face, Beihuang Liefeng seemed even happier. He smiled and said, "Old Man Miao, let me give you the honor to announce the results of the match!"

"What else is there to announce, Beihuang Liefeng! Who would have thought that the Taiyi Immortal Palace would get itself such a useful helper." Miao Yonglong spoke in rage.

Even though this time, the Firecloud Palace might not have suffered such a great loss, it was still a very unlucky day for them. The Divine Palace had managed to earn a reputation for itself from this battle. Naturally, they were the ones who benefited a lot from it. Despite their intentions to act humbly, they still needed to have a reputation of their own.

Qing Shui acted like nothing had happened. He approached the strange demonic beast. It was very ugly, particularly its head. The more he looked at it, the more it reminded him of a pig's head. Putting aside its eyes, small to the point of being almost not visible, its mouth was huge and occupied almost half of its face.

Ignoring the majority of its Spirit Energy and its ability to gain control over the extent to which it was being weakened, it possessed tremendous strength. Its teeth were its most dangerous weapon and it was very fast. Without further hesitations, Qing Shui probed it with his Heavenly Vision Technique but he was soon surprised by what he saw.

The Primordial Pig, contains 20% of the Primordial Beast Bloodline.

It was such a simple name, and yet it amazed Qing Shui. To think that it would be such a formidable beast. The time during the creation of the world was known as the primal age, and legend had it that the primordial beasts were beings which existed before even the heaven and earth had formed themselves.

All of these were the genuine legends which existed across the continent. Who would have expected for such an ugly beast to contain one-fifth of the Primordial Beast Bloodline? Though this could only be considered a rather small percentage, 20% was still like a checkpoint. If it was anything below that, the majority of the abilities of the Primordial Pig would have been reduced significantly.

It seemed he might have come across something really great. Qing Shui right away tossed the beast into the realm and let the Dragon Spider keep watch over it to prevent it from running away.

According to the agreement that had been made before, the Firecloud Palace was no longer permitted to enter the Northern Emperor Domain.

The people of Firecloud Palace and Blazing Fire Immortal Palace left quietly. The Golden Battle God looked at Qing Shui cheerfully and nodded. Similarly, Jin Gang also smiled and said, "Thank you for saving me just now."

"Brother Jin, we are allies. If I am in danger, I am sure that you will also help me." Qing Shui smiled. He had a good impression of Jin Gang who might be huge but also straightforward at the same time.

The people of Taiyi Immortal Palace approached them along with Beihuang Liefeng and Beihuang Yu.

"Brother Chen, congratulations! I am starting to feel that you are getting more and more powerful as you age." Beihuang Liefeng revealed a happy smile to the Golden Battle God.

"Haha! Today is a delightful day. Brother Feng, why don't we go and enjoy some wine after this?" The Golden Battle God said happily.

He didn't mention anything about Qing Shui's ability. It was not that he was trying to be stingy but simply because Qing Shui was still not strong enough for the time being. He feared that once words began to spread, he would end up becoming the target of certain people.

At this moment, Beihuang Yu approached Qing Shui and patted his shoulder, "You have indeed managed to hide your strength very well. To think that you are actually able to kill the Grand Elder of Firecloud Palace.

"It was all thanks to my demonic beasts. If it were just me, you should know better than myself," Qing Shui smiled and replied.

The Battle Gods Moving Hill, Giant Spirit, Diamond, as well as the Tiger Knife Battle God, were naturally also aware of some of Qing Shui's unique abilities. They were also very reliable people and they often provided great help to the Divine Palace. The Divine Palace was just like their own home, and the Golden Battle God was the father figure. After all, it had been so many years and at one point, the others used to be very weak. It was all thanks to the guidance of the Golden Battle God that they had managed to achieve what they had today.

Since they walked the same path, though they weren't the same battle god, he could still do so much as guiding them through their cultivations. It had always been said that a single conversation across the table with a wise man was worth a month's study of books. The same rule also applied to martial artists. One simple guide from a person with experience could help save ten years worth of training. Otherwise, no one would have paid a huge price just to hire themselves a capable master.

There was a limit to how long a person could live. Just like his previous incarnations, all of the educational books were left behind by multiple generations of people. All that was left to do now was to gain the experience from them. It was not realistic for a person to try and investigate things alone. After all, a lot of people had spent their entire lives working hard on this, only to get insignificant results.

The same also applied for the Nine Continents World. There were people who spent their whole life creating a few ultimate techniques which could be learned within a year when it was being passed down to other people.

By the time everyone returned to the Divine Palace, the banquet was already being held on a round mountain peak. Beihuang Liefeng, Beihuang Yu, as well as a few people from Taiyi Immortal Palace, were all present. Taiyi Immortal Palace shared a brotherly relationship with Divine Palace. They were very close to each other.

“Qing Shui, let me introduce you to the Taiyi Immortal Palace Lord, Beihuang Liefeng,” The Golden Battle God smiled as he introduced Qing Shui to Beihuang Liefeng.

“It’s my pleasure to meet you,” Qing Shui replied and bowed down. As a junior, he felt that it was necessary for him to show at least this extent of politeness.

With Qing Shui’s current strength, he was naturally unable to sense Beihuang Liefeng’s power. The abundant Qi which he possessed told Qing Shui that Beihuang Liefeng was an unpredictable warrior.

“Haha, alright. Brother Chen, I am sure that in the future to come, the Divine Palace will shine brightly in your hands,” Beihuang Liefeng smiled and said.

“Brother Feng, I knew I wouldn’t be able to deceive your eyes. To be honest, it was all thanks to him that we won the match today,” The Golden Battle God eventually told the truth after a moment of hesitation. There were no outsiders around the table. Other than the people of the Divine Palace, the remaining ones were Beihuang Liefeng and Beihuang Yu.

“This is indeed beyond my expectations. Could it be that this brat is capable of boosting your strength?” Beihuang Liefeng asked.

Beihuang Liefeng and the Golden Battle God also shared a very close relationship with each other. Even though they didn’t have a clear picture of their exact strength, they were able to more or less figure each other out. However, one thing which came to Beihuang Liefeng’s attention was that the strength of the Golden Battle God seemed to be a lot more powerful than before. The first thing which came to his mind was that the Golden Battle God had been hiding his strength well. However, everything soon became clear to him when he heard what the Golden Battle God said.

“That’s precisely how it was!” The Golden Battle God replied with a chuckle.

Beihuang Liefeng was surprised. There were many variations of martial techniques which boosted strength, making them ordinary. The more powerful a warrior was, the harder it was to increase baseline power. Thus, towards the late-stage of cultivations, the martial techniques which helped boost strength were considered to be insignificant. It was more sensible to get the alchemists to make some medicinal pills or search for some treasures.

“Actually, until now, even I still feel a bit confused,” The Golden Battle God confessed.

“I have already found out that Huo Xing took the Adversity Pill which helped double his strength for four hours. But it didn’t seem to have increased as it said, did it?” Beihuang Liefeng asked with suspicion.

“I have a martial technique that can cut all of the additional strength other than his own personal power in half.” Qing Shui followed up and said.

Beihuang Liefeng felt relieved and stopped asking any more questions. He was aware that Qing Shui’s ability was way more than merely reducing the strength of his opponent by half. The reason was that the amount of strength which the opponent was able to raise had suddenly been limited.

“Qing Shui, I would like to thank you for saving Yu`er. For the past two days, he was finally able to relieve himself from the things which have been on his mind for a long time.” Beihuang Liefeng thanked Qing Shui profusely.

The Golden Battle God was also a bit confused with Beihuang Liefeng’s words. Not long after, everything became clear to them after his explanations.

“Qing Shui, say it, what do you want? I mean it when I say that I would like to thank you, so there is no need for you to act so modestly. I will give you whatever you want so long as it is something within my capability.” Beihuang Liefeng was very sincere when he said that.

“Old man, both Brother Yu and I can be considered great friends. I really did not expect to get anything in return when I helped him back then. Rewards are given by outsiders. If I had wanted to demand something in return, it would mean that I never viewed you as someone close to me,” Qing Shui shook his head and said seriously.

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Hearing Qing Shui’s words, Beihuang Liefeng didn’t insist. However, he did manage to interpret something from what Qing Shui had said. This young man was an ally of both Taiyi Immortal Palace and the Divine Palace. He was willing to battle alongside both of them.

Thus, he stopped saying anything but instead, moved his sight onto the Golden Battle God, “Brother Chen, seeing Qing Shui and Yu`er like that, it feels like we have gotten old. They will soon be the ones to take over our world.”

The Golden Battle God also let out a long sigh. Nevertheless, he was still very happy, “That’s true. Although we may be very reluctant to admit that we are old, we can’t keep deceiving ourselves with it.”

“Qing Shui, are you married?” Beihuang Liefeng asked out of the blue.

For a moment, Qing Shui was stunned. But he soon smiled, “Old man, I have already established my own family.”

Before Qing Shui heard the full story from the old man, he could already tell that this old man was trying to establish a connection through marriage. He wasn’t really against this, but he felt that to do so, the man and woman involved must also have feelings for each other. Otherwise, over time, they would only start to grow distant.

“Yes, Yu`er is a special case. But now that his body is fully recovered, it’s time for him to find a wife. It’s also not unusual for you to have your own family. A true man would have multiple wives. I have a daughter who is the youngest among my children. She is very arrogant and until now, she is still not

willing to get married and establish her own family. This has caused me a great deal of grief.” Beihuang Liefeng looked at Qing Shui and said.

Beihuang Yu’s mouth twitched the moment he heard what his grandpa had said.

Qing Shui started to sweat all over. ‘You can’t just blame me for it if your daughter is the one that’s refusing to get married. How old exactly is your daughter anyway?...’ Qing Shui thought to himself.

Qing Shui gave Beihuang Liefeng an awkward look, “About this, I suppose you will need to try to talk her into it. Upon growing up, every male should take a wife and every female should take a husband. Maybe it’s because your daughter is too outstanding that she can’t manage to find anyone suitable for her for the time being.” Qing Shui said indifferently.

“Yes, there is no doubt about that! She is too outstanding! It’s such a waste that she isn’t a man. It’s because she is a woman and she stands out so much that no man dares to marry her. Frankly speaking, even with your current strength, you are no match against her.” Beihuang Liefeng let out a harsh remark.

Deep down, Qing Shui didn’t feel anything weird about it. After all, judging by the fact that she was Beihuang Liefeng’s daughter, it was not likely that she would still be young. It was perfectly normal if she was able to surpass him in strength.

“My auntie is 10 years older than me.” Beihuang Yu smiled and said softly.

In the beginning, Qing Shui had noticed Beihuang Liefeng’s mouth twitching when he mentioned his little daughter. Even though he didn’t know why, but he could feel that Beihuang Yu seemed to be particularly afraid of this auntie of his.

Seeing that, Qing Shui moved his sight onto Beihuang Liefeng. The look he was giving made even the Taiyi Immortal Palace Lord feel a bit unnatural, “Hey brat, what kind of look are you giving me? I have waited a long time for a daughter. She is like the pearl in Beihuang Clan’s palm, the only daughter for three generations of the Beihuang Clan.

Qing Shui started to sweat all over. The only daughter for three generations. From here, it could be seen that she was definitely a special existence for the Beihuang Clan.

“Qing Shui, that daughter of mine never listens to my orders. Thus, I would like you to be the one to become her husband, but I am in no right to decide for things like this. Besides, I also won’t force her to do the things she doesn’t like. My only wish is for you two to meet. Since we are already friends, and you and Yu`er are also calling each other brothers, it shouldn’t be a problem for you to meet my daughter, should it?” Beihuang Liefeng seemed to be very concerned about this. Though he might know that there were some things which were very difficult to achieve, he was still willing to give it a try.

Since Beihuang Liefeng had gone up to this point, Qing Shui had no choice but to nod his head, “It’s not a problem for me to meet her. I am just afraid that your daughter will feel that I am not respecting her.”

“This daughter of mine is a true beauty. At the very least, she shouldn’t be any inferior to Nuo Lan from the Divine Palace. Her only problem is that she is too powerful and outstanding, which makes it difficult for her to find a man. You should understand what I mean,” Beihuang Liefeng said helplessly.

Naturally, Qing Shui also knew about it. If a woman was too powerful and outstanding, the man would end up being controlled by her. Men who were slightly more capable would end up with multiple wives, but if they ever came across a powerful one, it would be very difficult for them to get any more women. That was, unless it was the kind of women who were powerful, but at the same time, also generous and didn't mind their men having fun with other women. However, women like that almost never existed.

Qing Shui stopped explaining it after listening to Beihuang Liefeng's words. He didn't really mention anything in too much detail. Moving on, they enjoyed their dinner and had some wine together.

Beihuang Liefeng and Beihuang Yu left along with the others from Taiyi Immortal Palace. Qing Shui, on the other hand, brought Nuo Lan back to the Imperial Cuisine Hall.

Prior to this, Nuo Lan had been in the Divine Palace. It was because Qing Shui was worried about her wellbeing that he had sent her back to the palace before the match started.

Qing Shui and Nuo Lan were riding on Little Rin as they made their way towards the Imperial Cuisine Hall.

Nuo Lan was feeling great at the moment. The Divine Palace had won without suffering any losses. Moreover, she also wouldn't have to be handed out anymore. She also knew that Qing Shui was confident he could win, otherwise, he wouldn't have used her as a sacrifice. If he really did lose, wouldn't it mean that she would have had to be taken over to the enemy's side?

But very soon, she managed to figure out that if he had lost, there was a high chance that the enemy would have killed him immediately. Unless he admitted defeat—if he really did do it, it would likely be by using her as a sacrifice.

"How are you feeling now?" Qing Shui noticed that Nuo Lan was looking distracted and proceeded to ask her.

"I am perfectly fine now." Nuo Lan smiled and said.

Even though her body might have almost recovered fully, it was not perfectly fine like she had said.

"Do you know the youngest daughter of the Taiyi Immortal Palace Lord?" Qing Shui suddenly remembered the conversation between him and Beihuang Liefeng. Since the Divine Palace was close with Taiyi Immortal Palace, Qing Shui began to wonder if Nuo Lan would know this person.

"Is the person you are talking about Beihuang Fan, the daughter of the Taiyi Immortal Palace Lord?" Nuo Lan asked in shock.

"Why are you so shocked? Is this woman very famous?" Qing Shui asked confused.

"She is the Sword Demon of the Northern Emperor Domain. Her sword skills amazed even Beihuang Liefeng himself. According to rumors, the sword in her hand has achieved the Divine Connection Realm," Nuo Lan looked at Qing Shui and explained to him.

Divine Connection Realm? Qing Shui was stunned. He knew about this realm. It was a realm in Heavenly Dao. Furthermore, it was a realm which could only be attained once a person truly stepped across the great gate of Heavenly Dao. Just from that, Qing Shui already knew that she had surpassed him in terms of the level of her Heavenly Dao. It was just like a staircase. They were one staircase away from each

other. Though it might look insignificant, this difference mustn't be neglected. If one failed to comprehend it, they could never move up the stairs. The staircase, in this situation, was equivalent to a big mountain. This was precisely how the Heavenly Dao worked.

Since she was at the Divine Connection Realm, Qing Shui didn't know what else could affect her, other than the Emperor's Qi. She could easily pierce through him with one slash. The Paragon Golden Armor, which could save him from one fatal strike, was also an utterly inadequate measure. For her to have achieved this level, she would naturally be quite strong.

"I have never heard of her before," Qing Shui said straightforwardly.

"That's natural. If you had come here three years earlier, you would have known how extraordinary this woman was. She was the goddess to all men, yet no men dared to pursue her. Because of what she was capable of, as well as her own family background, the men who liked her weren't confident that they could obtain her. They felt a great sense of inferiority compared to her.

"At one point, there was a man who claimed himself to be very powerful and more outstanding than most men in the Northern Emperor Domain, but simply got defeated in one blow by Beihuang Fan. He didn't feel satisfied with the results, and thus, he challenged her again, twice. But in the end, he lost all three of the matches in the exact same way, with just a single attack.

"The man was very young and was from a powerful background. Back where he was from, he was known as the son of heaven. Seeing that Beihuang Fan had an impressive talent, he automatically assumed that she was the one whom God bestowed upon him. But in the end, he got so upset that he almost committed suicide."

Nuo Lan looked at Qing Shui as she was speaking, "Why have you suddenly shown interest in knowing about the Young Mistress? It has been such a long time since she last came out. According to rumors, she has been cultivating all along in the Sword Heart Pavilion located within the Taiyi Immortal Palace.