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Chapter 2221 - Things Weren't Over Ye

Qing Shui was able to kill many people with the Nine Continents Mountain's collision strength of 30 billion dao force coupled with the Shield Attack after weakening them. This time around, Qing Shui had brought out most of his means. His prowess was very terrifying; many of the powerful Golden Yakshas were killed and the remainder thrown into a disarray.

Beihuang Fan and the others also joined in, taking the lives of many Golden Yakshas.

Qing Shui had no idea how many Golden Yakshas had come. Some of them fled, but there were over 1,000 of them who were killed. The Golden Yakshas they were up against were the strongest, especially the few older Golden Yakshas at the front. They were the brothers of the Ye Clan's head.

Everyone were very excited and shocked as they swept through the battlefield. Earlier on, Qing Shui had entered his peak condition and increased the strength of the people around him tremendously. Moreover, they also gained a great defense, which felt awesome.

The opponents were greatly weakened. Qing Shui's Emperor's Qi applied the weakening effect onto a small area and didn't have to weaken them one at a time.

The same went for the Art of Pursuing. Although the Emperor's Qi could do this from a long time ago, the Art of Pursuing could be applied to an area more recently.

Qing Shui let the others clean up the battlefield while he returned to reinsert Qing Xiu's bones.

Qing Shui currently felt as if he was like a surgeon. However, the people in his previous life wouldn't have been able to reach such a level. Qing Xiu's wounds were cut open once again, but Qing Shui had applied anaesthesia using the gold needles. Yiye Jiange watched by the side, her eyes red and her heart aching. At the thought of the pain her son felt when he had his bones removed, she couldn't hold back her tears.

The other party wouldn't have applied anaesthesia like Qing Shui had done. The more she thought about it, the more upset she felt.

Of course Qing Shui felt upset as well, but he was a man. Moreover, Qing Xiu was doing very well and didn't make a sound. The kid was still young, but he knew he had to stay silent. If he were to make any sounds, his parents would feel worse.

Qing Shui completed the treatment very quickly and then used the Force of Rebirth and the Life and Death Needles, hastening the recovery. He also used the Spring of Life. After all these were done, Qing Xiu wouldn't feel any pain even after the gold needles which were used to apply anaesthesia were removed. Moreover, he would be able to recover within a week.

Qing Xiu fell asleep. Qing Shui pulled out the needles and turned to look at the tear-stricken Yiye Jiange. This woman hadn't cried before, but was now crying because of her son. Qing Shui hugged her gently, "Alright, don't cry anymore. Although the kid has endured rough situations, it's also a means of tempering him. Misfortunes could turn out to be blessings in disguise."

"I'd rather he not have such blessings," Yiye Jiange said softly.

"It's been hard on you. You've always been the one to take care of him. I'm too irresponsible as a father," Qing Shui said bitterly.

"You aren't allowed to say this. You're a great hero in his heart and he has always viewed you as his goal. I'm very happy that he's our child." Yiye Jiange hugged Qing Shui tightly.

"It's all fine now. The kid is very strong and both his aptitude and talent are top notch. Moreover, he's very sensible," Qing Shui smiled and said.

Yiye Jiange looked at their son who was deep asleep and heaved a sigh of relief inwardly. Earlier on, her heart was torn at the thought of her son having two pieces of bones removed from him.

"A lot of those people have been killed. This matter won't just end like this. I'll make the Ye Clan disappear." Qing Shui said calmly.

Yiye Jiange sighed softly and said, "Don't kill the innocent."

Qing Shui liked her kindness. He didn't wish to kill anyone innocent either, but he couldn't calm down the fury in his heart.

After Qing Shui came out, he noticed that the rest had gathered around. When Muyun Qingge saw Qing Shui appearing, she quickly asked, "How's Xiu`er?"

"He's fine. He'll be back to normal in a few days' time," Qing Shui said softly.

Muyun Qingge nodded happily, "I'll go take a look at Jiange."

"Brother, what's your plan?" Cong Yunlong asked, concerned. Right now, they knew that Qing Xiu was fine and all of them heaved a sigh of relief. If anything were to happen to Qing Xiu, they had no idea how crazy Qing Shui would become.

"The Golden Yakshas are in an alliance with the Demon Gate and the Five Tiger Immortal Palace. We'll have a life or death battle eventually. Since the people from the Ye Clan are unable to control themselves, then I'll start with Ye Clan first." Qing Shui had decided to wipe out the Ye Clan. He wasn't sure if the other three clans in the Golden Yakshas would take action, but chances were high that they would. When he headed out to wipe out the Ye Clan, he might face all the Golden Yakshas.

The Golden Yakshas' population was too great, reaching several billions in number. They were also considered a great clan in the Nine Continents Star Ocean Domain with strong reproduction abilities. Therefore, there would be many decent experts amongst them. It was a little impractical for Qing Shui to be facing so many of them by himself.

"Brother, there are too many experts amongst the Golden Yakshas. It's fine if it's on land, but there aren't many people who are able to wipe them out within a short period of time. Moreover, the Golden Yakshas have their powerful Guardian Beast. That creature is very strong and we're unable to enter the Golden Yakshas' core area," Cong Yunlong said seriously.

How could Qing Shui possibly not know about this? However, he was unable to calm down if some people in the Ye Clan weren't killed.

"Forget it, Qing Shui. We've already killed so many people. Xiu`er is now fine. We mustn't be headstrong either. We'll see how it goes in the future." At this moment, Yiye Jiange walked out and said softly.

Qing Shui rubbed his head, "The Ye Clan will probably not take this lying down, therefore I'll stay here and await for their arrival. No matter how many of them come, I'll kill all of them. They'll definitely come."

Yiye Jiange didn't say anymore. She knew that what Qing Shui said was right.

Qing Shui saw that the surrounding formation was fine and told everyone that everything was fine and they could go back. It would be fine with just him around.

However, no one left. Seeing that they didn't leave, Qing Shui didn't urge them further. He felt that he was quite strong now, but it was a pity that the Flying Sword depleted too much power. Moreover, there was a restriction on the Stellar Transposition and he could only use it once every five minutes.

The Nine Continents Mountain wasn't bad, but when encountering opponents that were too strong, it would still be stopped.

The people around him were quite strong and had the ability to kill as well. This was especially the case for Beihuang Fan, Cong Yunlong and the Hill Moving Battle God. Yiye Jiange could manage as well, but it was harder for the other ladies. After Qing Shui applied his formations on them and weakened the opponents, they would be able to kill, but not crush their opponents.

This made Qing Shui feel that he didn't have enough strength backing him up. He only had powerful weakening abilities and had good controlling skills as well, but lacked a killer move to unleash a massacre.

The Dragon Slaying Beast was still decent, but it was harder to say this for the Dark Phoenix and the Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant. After all, they weren't strong enough. The opponents that Qing Shui had encountered recently were too strong.

Long Zhu`er's abilities were still terrifying. Although they were control-based techniques, when she worked with Qing Shui and the Dragon Slaying Beast, a massacre could be achieved.

The Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant's strength had been growing rapidly in recent times. Qing Shui didn't know if it was due to the Primordial Boar's blood lineage that its strength was growing at an astonishing rate. Qing Shui was also feeding it with Aptitude Pills, Growth Pills, and other things.

Qing Shui planned to wait a little longer. Maybe he should let the Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant use the last Heavenly Magic Star.

At the thought of this, Qing Shui increasingly felt that this could be done.

He decided to go ahead with his decision and found time to enter the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal.

Chapter 2222 - Ninth Grade Grand Perfection Spirit Gathering Lamp

The Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant's strength achieved 12.5 billion dao force. After using the Heavenly Magic Star, its attacking power and defense would increase by 30% and could go further as its base strength improved.

Primordial blood only made up 18% of the Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant's body but this 18% was incomparably fierce, causing the Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant to be much stronger than it appeared in actual battle.

After completing these tasks, Qing Shui was deep in thought. If one couldn't oppose the whole world, he would need the people or demonic beasts around him to become stronger. Qing Shui's controlling abilities were strong. If he had people around him who could match up to his enemies, he had the ability to enable them to crush opponents.

When it was about time, Qing Shui began hustling in the Realm of Violet Jade Immortal again, refining his treasures.

Ding!

Qing Shui was startled, since the Spirit Gathering Lamp had unexpectedly broken through. Qing Shui then excitedly gazed at the Spirit Gathering Lamp.

Spirit Gathering Lamp, Treasure, Ninth Grade, Grand Perfection Stage.

Doubles the spiritual strength and ranged attack power of all demonic beasts, effective on any demonic beasts. Permanent, passive ability, zero consumption.

Qing Shui was startled. This was truly a timely assistance. Finally, there was a treasure that had achieved the Grand Perfection Stage. That meant the treasure had reached its peak and no longer required any further refinement.

With this improvement, the firepower of Qing Shui's Dragon Spider and Dark Phoenix would be doubled. The Thunderous Beast would double its attacking power too, but it wasn't really significant.

The Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant's long ranged attacks, such as the Mighty Dragon Elephant Stomp, would double in strength as well. However, there wasn't any change to its close combat abilities.

Looking at the current Spirit Gathering Lamp, it looked ancient and unadorned. The vintage aura had an oppressive feeling. Qing Shui didn't expect the Spirit Gathering Lamp to change its appearance after enhancing. Anybody would feel that this treasure was extraordinary at first glance, unlike before where Qing Shui would not have kept it if not for the Heavenly Vision Technique.

Since the Spirit Gathering Lamp had broken through, it shouldn't be long for the Heaven Shaking Drum to break through as well. Qing Shui refined the Heaven Shaking Drum but it did not break through. However, Qing Shui felt that it would break through soon and his demonic beasts would be greatly empowered again.

Qing Shui also refined his other treasures, such as the Formation Eye Stone, hoping they would be upgraded.

Usually, Qing Shui's attacking power played the most vital role. However, his attack was not good enough, his demonic beasts were barely strong enough . Yet, things were different now. The Dragon Spider and the Dark Phoenix were already very terrifying, able to reach 60 billion dao force with the various boosts and the Battle God Halo.

The Spirit Gathering Lamp could double up their attacking power to almost 40 billion dao force. The Dark Phoenix was stronger, able to reach 50 billion dao force. Under Qing Shui's boosts and the effect of the Heavenly Magic Stars, they could exceed 80 billion dao force.

Qing Shui smiled. Previously, he had only around 40 billion dao force in total. That was barely sufficient in a battle and kill enemies. After all, the other Battle Gods and Beihuang Fan all surpassed this level.

Currently, with more than 80 billion dao attacking power and the ability to reduce the damage received, the Dark Phoenix was able to stand in the battleground steadily. It could even slaughter mercilessly with nearly 90 billion dao force.

The Dark Phoenix could achieve its maximum output power in a short while. The Dragon Spider had half of its strength but the spider silk was daunting, basically destroying any enemy who gets entangled. 40 billion dao was already terrifying, and it could call upon troops of demonic spiders. The strongest ones were half of the Dragon Spider's strength, reaching 20 billion dao and there were lots of them. Of course, this was only achievable with Qing Shui's help.

Originally, he wanted to improve the strength of Golden Scaled Dragon Elephant so that the chances of winning would be higher when the Ye Clan arrived. He did not expect the Spirit Gathering Lamp to upgrade to the Grand Perfection Stage. That was great, Qing Shui felt his overall strength increased more than one fold.

The Dragon Spider alone could trap many opponents and then the Dark Phoenix could bombard them with attacks when their powers were reduced, easily slaughtering opponents.

Time passed by without noticing. It had been ages since Qing Shui last felt that time passed so fast in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal.

When he came out, Qing Xiu was still asleep. Yiye Jiange was sitting in the room and watched without blinking. Muyun Qingge spent some time to accompany her before she left to talk with others on the outside.

Qing Shui approached Yiye Jiange and sat next to her, "It's best that the kid is safe."

"Mm, I know," Yiye Jiange replied and smiled gently.

Qing Shui held her shoulder, "You've been too exhausted lately. Go sleep for a while."

"I can't fall asleep!" Yiye Jiange shook her head.

"Listen to me. We might still battle again. Get some sleep; it'll be alright with me here," Qing Shui carried her and laid her beside Qing Xiu.

Yiye Jiange did not resist, closing her eyes slowly.

Just like that, Qing Shui kept watch over both Yiye Jiange and Qing Xiu.

Yiye Jiange had a peaceful sleep and it was already bright outside when she woke up, only to see Qing Xiu blinking while looking at her, yelling happily as she woke up, "Mother!"

"Xiu'er, how are you feeling? Is it still hurting?" Yiye Jiange sat up and said caringly.

"It doesn't hurt at all, I'm fully recovered." Qing Xiu smiled as he hugged Yiye Jiange's neck.

"Father went to prepare breakfast," Qing Xiu said.

In fact, the aroma of dishes was already spreading across the room.

"Mother, let's go and eat together," Qing Xiu said happily.

They stepped out just as Qing Shui finished arranging the dishes. He had prepared a lot and the others had already started eating.

Qing Xiu sniffed the dishes and took another breath to say, "Dad's cooking is the best."

Yiye Jiange stared at Qing Xiu with extremely soft and gentle eyes. Qing Shui rubbed his nose and whispered, "Master, I'm jealous of him. You have to compensate me tonight, I want you to be my rider."

Yiye Jiange blushed instantly and made a noise. Her heart was racing. Although she did it before, she was persuaded and forced to do so. Her heart pounded as she recalled that scene. Her pretty face was flushed as red as the beautiful dusk; it was exceptionally alluring.

Qing Shui swallowed. The loud gulp made Yiye Jiange even more embarrassed; she lowered her head as she scooped some soup for Qing Xiu.

The meal was very enjoyable. Qing Xiu asked Qing Shui to accompany him for a few more days to train him. Qing Shui naturally agreed; he had to stabilize his foundation and strengthen his body. Besides, he really needed to teach Qing Xiu some battle skills.

The Sea King Palace was currently bustling, the Silver Dragon Palace had already sent their men over. There weren't many of them, around two hundred men. They belonged to the Silver Dragons and were all capable warriors. Qing Shui knew a little information about the Silver Dragon Palace now; they were quite renowned in the Nine Continents Star Ocean Domain.

These two hundred men had the strength of 40 billion dao force on average, about ten of them reached 50 billion dao force, while three of them achieved 60 billion dao force.

With the addition of Qing Shui's buffs and the use of formations, these people could kill the ordinary Golden Yakshas.

Chapter 2223 - Strong Warrior of the Golden Yaksha, Must Die

Qing Shui was no longer as worried as before, even though there were not many good warriors in the Sea King Palace who could participate in the battle. There were slightly more than ten warriors excluding the women. Several men from the Battle God Palace joined, together with Beihuang Fan and Beihuang Yu, Yunlong and his wife, plus two hundred men from the Silver Dragon Palace.

That number was only a small fraction from the Golden Yakshas, but Qing Shui and the women had some demonic beasts to compensate. With that, their battle strength increased greatly. The opponent had a huge group. It was redundant to use the demonic beasts.

Qing Shui was naturally irreplaceable, as he was able to go up against a hundred or even a thousand men by himself. Everyone knew the magical ability of Qing Shui now, including the Yunlong couple. Hence, they were not as anxious.

The recovery of the Divine Weapon and the Area Dominance could substantially reduce their consumption. Moreover, Qing Shui's formation had abilities which helped reduce consumption and increased recovery.

Unknowingly, three days had passed. On the fourth day, the Golden Yakshas came again with more people this time. There were roughly a hundred thousand of them, all of which were definitely a lot stronger than last time.

Especially the front line, where it was obvious that the three other clans besides the Ye clan had also sent their men here. Previously, about a thousand Golden Yakshas were killed and that had infuriated the entire tribe of Golden Yakshas. Hence, they decided to go against their common enemies and wipe out the Sea King Palace altogether. It was the Northern Ocean. It was underwater there and the Golden Yakshas were absolutely ruling the Northern Ocean.

Qing Shui's formation defended the Sea King Palace and provided a backup plan. With the Formation Eye Stone, Qing Shui was assured that the opponent would never be able to break the formation quickly, even if they tried hard or hired a capable warrior.

Qing Shui aimed at the leading Golden Yakshas and those standing on the row behind. Those Golden Yakshas were tall and big, about six meters tall. Their hardened bodies appeared strong and shining like gold, giving out a terrifying aura.

Wearing a violet golden armor and a violet cape, even the brutal fork looked great and daunting. They stared at Qing Shui with their huge eyes at once. There was a cold killing intention in their ugly faces.

A Golden Yaksha was fine without looking at his face. That is because, his face was extremely ugly and unappealing. However, at this level, the Golden Yakshas would look more powerful and people would ignore their appearances as long as they were strong.

"Older brother, do you think this will bring more and stronger Golden Yakshas if all these people die here?" Qing Shui asked Yunlong.

"Younger brother, these people are not that easy. It is not so simple to kill them. You should worry if we can handle them first," Yunlong said and smiled bitterly.

Qing Shui was not very worried. The strongest among these Golden Yakshas was comparable to the man of the Nine Continents Food Residence. This level of strength was alarming enough. Except for Qing Shui, nobody could fight against him and even Beihuang Fan could hardly do that.

Beihuang Fan was just barely qualified to fight in the battle with her current defense and so were the Yunlong couple. Over these years, they had improved tremendously and rapidly. It was the inheritance and the decision made by their old men after the previous injuries.

Qing Shui used the Battle God Hall straight away and covered the region with 40% of defense and attacking power. The Battle God Hall could enhance two abilities now with the limit of 40% at maximum whereas previously, only one ability was possible.

It was a great improvement for Qing Shui's side. People around him improved greatly in strength and defense. A sense of profound, violent, and heavy feeling was added to their bodies.

The Great Formation of Thousand Kills!

Once the formation was activated, Qing Shui and his men felt their strength rising. The formation was originally of a normal kind, with a moderate increment. However, Qing Shui had the Formation Eye Stone which could increase the power of formations by seven folds.

Initially, this formation was very weak with only 10% increment of all abilities, including recovery and consumption-reduction.

With the Formation Eye Stone, the increment became 70%. This was the power of this Stone. The others could only increase 10% of all abilities.

Qing Shui used this formation since it was simple and required no learning whatsoever. He only had to activate it. It was unlike the other formations which required strict cooperation. Once it was disrupted, it would end up miserably.

The bigger the formation, the stronger its power of increment, but the harder it was to maintain.

In fact, it was not greater with more men in a formation. It was the contrary. For example, in a formation like the Thousand Kills, the power would be smaller if there were more people. The actual large formations were trap and killing formations which required powerful materials.

Qing Shui used the Thousand Kills formation since he possessed the Formation Eye Stone. In other formations, the Formation Eye Stone would not be able to get a seven-fold increment. Hence, this formation was functional when there was a big group of people.

Immediately, most of them doubled their strengths. Beihuang Fan and the Yunlong couple no longer feared their opponents.

"Young man, it has been ages since anyone had dared to murder our men like this," An elder Golden Yaksha sounded as loud as a bell, making a lot of people's ears hurt.

"Do you mean that you can only kill others while others can only wait for you to kill them?" Qing Shui smiled and replied.

"Don't play with words. It is pointless. I know that you have killed many men of ours, and you shall pay for it today." The Elder's sharp and fierce eyes were as bright as two little suns. His entire body was sparkling in gold.

As soon as he stopped speaking, he dashed towards Qing Shui. Along the way, the surroundings were lit up with golden lights and flames as if a boiling golden vapor had appeared.

Qing Shui maximized his power and rushed over.

Emperor's Qi!

Art of Pursuing!

The Elder paused in golden steam and expanded abruptly. His skeleton made a crackling sound and he became one-third taller than his previous height, about ten meters tall now. The huge golden fork slashed with a shadow of an enormous dragon.

Roar...

A nearby hill was broken in half by the golden fork. The Elder made a great step forward and stomped suddenly.

A deep and boundless hole appeared.

Qing Shui was astounded by this old man's hidden but terrifying strength. The stomp was like a reorganization.

Realm. This was a great realm. Qing Shui could not deny that this old man had a much higher realm.

When the Realm was high, the strength was terrifying. Previously, Qing Shui had already reduced the opponent's ability. The remaining strength should not be so great that it would surprise Qing Shui. However, he was really dumbfounded by this incredible attacking power.

"Young man, you must die today. You are indeed an evil and rare genius who is hardly found in a thousand years." The Elder was impressed after a brief encounter. At that moment, he was even more determined to kill this young man.

Chapter 2224 - The Golden Yaksha's Tribal Characters

"There were too many who wanted to kill me, but I'm still alive and kicking while they've turned into dust," Qing Shui said as he voided the old man's attack and used the Buddha Wisdom Seal.

Qing Shui's current defense was overwhelming. It exceeded 160 billion Dao and was definitely exceptional. That was Qing Shui's greatest skill.

Buddha Bright Seal!

Qing Shui used the Buddha Seal and a golden light filled up the air on the opposite side. In a split second, an identical Golden Yaksha appeared and clashed with the Buddha Seal. The figure was frozen but did not disappear. Next, two Golden Yakshas dashed towards Qing Shui.

Qing Shui was startled. That was a great battle skill. It was even greater than the one used by the Demon Gate Junior Sect Master.

The real shadow!

Qing Shui was extremely cautious; he sealed his hands quickly and used the Windwhisk Willow to pass through.

Buddha Diamond Seal!

Qing Shui used the Nine Palace Laws Gravity Technique subsequently.

In the Nine Palaces, Qing Shui was the King. Once entered, anyone would get distracted unless he broke the Nine Palaces.

The Elder Golden Yaksha was slowed down to the maximum. If it were not for his selection of abilities, he would have been killed by Qing Shui.

The real shadow lasted for around one minute before it finally vanished. Qing Shui used the Dragon Capturing Hands at once.

Roar!

A violent dragon roar was followed by a stunning enormous dragon which dashed towards the Elder. Qing Shui wanted to see if the real shadow could be used again.

Bang!

He did not use it this time which caused Qing Shui to wonder if he could not or chose not to. At that moment, Qing Shui used the Stellar Transposition.

A soft, white beam struck at the right timing on the Golden Yaksha who was still dizzy.

Snap!

A distinct and clear voice was heard as blood oozed out from the Golden Yaksha's mouth corner, while he was thrown back far away. Qing Shui was surprised by the power of this old man that he somehow did not kill. He was only badly injured and would recover within a week if he was put under rehabilitation.

Qing Shui regretted his action and was perplexed by the opponent's strength. However, little did he know that the Golden Yaksha was even more taken aback. It was a world-shaking moment for him. He had never experienced something like that before.

The Golden Yakshas were renowned for their strong bodies and many warriors of the same level could not break their defenses. This Elder was a great man among the Golden Yakshas. However, he was severely hurt by a young man just a moment ago.

The Golden Yaksha had to battle with a lower battle strength if he continued, but he would regret immensely for the rest of his life if he stopped there. His cultivation would also be halted. Thus, he had to kill Qing Shui.

He wiped the blood stain on his face. The golden fork gave out a striking golden beam in his hands, especially for the first two forks. They were shining brightly like a little sun.

God's Blessing!

A golden beam lit up on his body again and violent energy arose. Qing Shui frowned, acknowledging that this old man was extraordinarily strong. Since he had already tasted Qing Shui's attack and dared to continue, he must be capable to withstand the Stellar Transposition now.

Next, the Golden Yaksha shrunk one-third, returning to his original size. Yet, the golden beam was shining even brighter. Some mysterious symbols and characters hid in the golden beam. They were lingering around his body, giving out a powerful and ancient mystical energy.

Tribal Characters!

Qing Shui looked depressed. No wonder the Golden Yaksha swore to kill him today. The Golden Yaksha had found the Tribal Characters.

Not every tribe had Tribal Characters. Only the ancient and powerful forces owned them. Plus, not every one of the tribe could find the characters. Only the genius could do it. The power of characters was related to their own strength as well. The stronger a person was, the stronger the power of characters.

Mysterious characters were displayed on the golden fork. Qing Shui was stunned by the Golden Yaksha's strength. How could he get through this alive?

"Go to hell!" The Golden Yaksha rushed to Qing Shui suddenly. His strength and speed increased tremendously in the process.

Heavenly Vision Technique!

Qing Shui used the Heavenly Vision Technique and was perplexed. There were characters everywhere under the golden sky, except for two places. Qing Shui did not think twice and jumped to one of the places.

It was surprising to the outsiders, seeing Qing Shui evading the Golden Yaksha's attack. Even the Golden Yaksha was stunned. The energy consumption for the activation of characters was great. He would use up all his Origin Qi within a quarter hour.

Hence, he had to finish the battle as soon as possible. Otherwise, he would have to give in to others.

The Heavenly Vision Technique was magical. Besides seeing through the real and fake, it could also recognize this kind of shadow. Qing Shui was confident now. He recognized that the Golden Yaksha was only quick initially and now appeared ordinary.

Qing Shui saw a spot using the Heavenly Vision Technique when he evaded. He used the Divine Weapon Flying Sword at once.

Pfft!

Then, the Golden Yaksha's left shoulder was penetrated directly.

"What's that?" Many people doubted their own eyes.

"Younger brother, it's a surprise that you have such a great sword, a Flying Sword..." Yunlong sounded a bit perplexed.

"It is not about the Realm. It's an actual weapon," Beihuang Yu said in astonishment.

The Golden Yakshas were shocked too. They wondered what was the thing that had penetrated the shoulder of a strong Ye Clan warrior. If it had penetrated the brain instead, he would be instantly killed.

Gouging Strike!

Qing Shui made his strike once again.

Returning sword!

Pft!

The big head of the Golden Yaksha was chopped off by the Flying Sword. As it entered the neck of the Golden Yaksha, Qing Shui made the Flying Sword wider and larger.

Dong!

The huge head fell onto the ground and made a dull noise. Everything was in complete silence now. It was so quiet that it made people anxious. Qing Shui had killed the leader among the four and the other Golden Yakshas were frightened. That sword was deadly. It could slash and kill a super capable warrior of the Ye Clan easily.

"Let's go! Kill him!" The remaining three leading men exchanged looks. Though they were frightened, they understood that they could not let this young man live. They had to go all out in order to kill him. Otherwise, it would be disastrous for the Golden Yakshas in the future.

Besides them, the rest of the Golden Yakshas behind made their moves as well.

The three of them were as good as the Golden Yaksha which was killed by Qing Shui. If they combined their strengths, Qing Shui could hardly win. Furthermore, people around him could never withstand that. Qing Shui used the Emperor's Qi and the Art Of Pursuing instantly. He enclosed the whole region with Area Dominance.

Chapter 2225 - Beihuang Fan Could Help Qing Shui to Break Through?

Qing Shui sensed a chill when he saw all of them coming together. After a moment of thinking, he reckoned it would be better to step back for the moment. He had already killed one of them so they were worried and angry. Hence, he brought his men and returned to the Formation.

The opponents were surprised to see Qing Shui retreating, but they would not back off right now. If they did not kill Qing Shui now, the Golden Yakshas would lose their dignity. Plus, they had burning hatred within them now.

"Their realm is too high, probably at the Cave Realm now," Beihuang Fan said softly beside Qing Shui.

"Cave Realm?" Qing Shui was confused.

"When you reach a certain level and achieve the Divine Connection Realm, the Cave Realm is the next level," Beihuang Fan elaborated.

Qing Shui was only at the Half-step Divine Connection currently while Beihuang Fan was at the Peak Divine Connection. Qing Shui was her key to breaking through and attaining the Cave Realm. The moment she falls in love with this guy, she would instantly breakthrough to the Cave Realm.

Qing Shui did not realize the huge discrepancy of realms between them until now. He would never break the defense without the Flying Sword and the Stellar Transposition. Fortunately, he had a strong soul. The Nine Yang Body and Nine Yang Dragon Soul prevented him from being crushed.

Strength was essential but the realm was even more vital. The realm could improve the strength greatly up to several folds. The higher the realm, the greater the improvement and the bigger the discrepancy.

The man that Qing Shui had killed previously was only at the Peak Divine Connection Realm with strong raw strength. Qing Shui was at the Half-step Divine Connection, so he could hold his own to fight in

general. However, Qing Shui had a strange feeling of the remaining three men. He reckoned he would be at a disadvantage even if he went one on one. Thus, he backed off.

Against the Cave Realm, Qing Shui felt that his Flying Sword and the Stellar Transposition would be ineffective. He reckoned the Stellar Transposition could hardly harm them and the Flying Sword would be evaded and neutralized.

Qing Shui realized the actual gap between some strong warriors and himself now. The difference in realms was like the ranking system in the past life. Unless the raw strength was much greater than the opponent's, many techniques would seem weak and pale.

The violent body of the Ancient Pure Breed Desolate Beast could probably break through the realm. For example, if Qing Shui achieved the level of the Ancient Pure Breed Desolate Beast, he could murder all the opponents with a lower realm.

It was difficult to upgrade the realm because it relied on fortune. Qing Shui was satisfied with his realm before this, but now he realized that the actual geniuses were much greater. For instance, Beihuang Fan had surpassed his strength substantially. Yiye Jiange and Tantai Lingyan were at the Divine Connection Realm as well, but they had not attained the Peak Divine Connection.

Beihuang Yu and the Demon Gate Junior Sect Master were at the Divine Connection while Beihuang Yu was at the middle stage of the Divine Connection Realm. Previously, he was at the beginner stage. After a Divine Tribulation, his realm had been upgraded.

Qing Shui was sometimes envious about others experiencing many tribulations while he had not. When you gained some, you lost some. The others might be avoiding the tribulations, but he was longing for them.

Qing Shui was lost in his thoughts. Beihuang Fan saw Qing Shui and touched him. She asked, "What are you thinking?"

"Nah, the fellows want to break the formation." Qing Shui noticed the three Golden Yakshas attacking the great formation together.

Mighty waves beat the shore, the water splashed as if a huge dragon was there. The violent energy almost overturned the underwater ground. However, the formation remained still. Qing Shui was confident in the seven-fold increase by the Formation Eye Stone. If it was broken by force, Qing Shui would have thrown away the Formation Eye Stone.

"Little bastard, come out if you can. It's not good for a man to hide!" After a long while, the opponent tried to provoke Qing Shui when their attempts to break the formation failed.

"Such a shameless group, and you still have the audacity to criticize me. You are physically big but mentally slow. You can't even break a formation when there are so many of you," Qing Shui replied slowly and calmly.

"Come and fight with me if you're a real man," The Golden Yakshas were frustrated and one Elder said.

"I'm still young. My weapon is sharp and bright. Although you still have yours, unfortunately, it's useless now. I heard you have found a few young women recently but couldn't satisfy them. I wonder if it's true," Qing Shui was talking nonsense.

Beihuang Fan was speechless. This guy would really say anything...

"You, you crap! I can satisfy them just fine."

Qing Shui was stunned. It seemed like this old guy actually had a few women. The Golden Yakshas were highly reproductive, so Qing Shui simply made a statement. After all, it was normal to have a few women for a man with power and status.

A man could accept having a not so powerful cultivation but could never accept being criticized for his sexual ability. Men would never succumb to the aging process. This also went for the Golden Yakshas, especially for the men's pride. He was an excellent leader who was experienced and consistently great. He could not help but answer to Qing Shui.

He was irritated by Qing Shui and lost his mind. Not only did Qing Shui's men laugh, but also several Golden Yakshas could not hold back their laughter as well.

"I will kill you." The Elder was enraged.

"Break my Formation first. Let's go back and have some tea in the meantime." Qing Shui led his men back to the Sea King Palace.

"Everybody, enjoy your meal. Leave them be for two days." Qing Shui headed to the backyard; he wanted to be alone.

Realm. He needed a higher realm. Only via breakthrough and achieving the Divine Connection could he be confident in cleaning the mess outside. Or else, the old Golden Yakshas out there would be able to kill all of them.

Qing Shui had one of his feet in the realm now. After all, he was at the Half-step Divine Connection at the present. There was only a little bit of improvement left before the actual Divine Connection Realm.

The difference of this half-step was great. After making the improvement, a lot of Qing Shui's abilities would be enhanced and he would not get oppressed. Qing Shui had a strong output power, but some stronger warriors could still control him. For example, his Stellar Transposition at the Divine Connection Realm of 150 billion dao would be reduced to half or more. Contrarily, the opponent would have vital energy increased up to several times. Hence, the ability to cancel attacks would be lost.

Besides, the strength would not increase without the realm upgrade. A frog at the bottom of a well was destined to be limited for life. It felt like it traveled the entire world, but it had only walked around the bottom of a well.

The Divine Connection Realm was divided into beginner, middle, late stage, peak, and the Half-step Cave Realm.

Beihuang Fan was almost at the Half-step Cave Realm.

At that moment, Beihuang Fan came forward and asked, "Are you thinking about the Realm?"

Qing Shui looked at this overwhelming beauty and said, "It is difficult for a smart woman to get married."

"I have ways to help you break through to the Divine Connection. However, I can't help you in breaking through to the Cave Realm," Beihuang Fan continued.

Qing Shui's eyes brightened. She could help him break through to the Divine Connection! As soon as he attained the realm, he could handle the people outside and he would not get oppressed himself. In the warriors' world, it was a natural law for the higher realm to oppress the lower realm. It was a fixed and unchanged rule.

Chapter 2226 - Ancient Drawing Of Divine Realm, A Good Item

Qing Shui looked at this wonderful woman. Her eyes were like gems and the prettiest stars in the sky. Her skin was fair and alluring that tempted him to have a bite. Her silky black hair was tied up casually with a red hair tie. Her neck was slim and her breasts were full and rounded. They were so captivating and perfectly shaped, making people thirst for a touch.

"I haven't touched them for so long. I've missed them so much..." Qing Shui moistened his lips while staring at her without blinking. He almost made his move.

"If you're not interested in the breakthrough then I'll leave." Beihuang Fan turned around and walked away.

Qing Shui grabbed her hand quickly and tightly, "I want to! How do I do that?"

"Truthfully, you could have achieved the breakthrough in realm much earlier. You just haven't had the opportunity to. I have a painting here. You can have a look. Perhaps you can break through." Beihuang Fan gave a drawing to Qing Shui.

Qing Shui opened the scroll. It was an ancient painting with mountains and a lake on it. There were woods and flowers, birds and fish, beasts and insects...

The drawing was lively. There was a vaguely human figure on the distant mountain. The figure had a distinct charm but a blurry shadow, unable to identify the gender.

Qing Shui rested his eyes. He sensed a magical rhythm just now. This painting was magical which gave him a strange feeling and stirred his emotions. This painting might really help for his breakthrough.

"What painting is this?" Qing Shui asked curiously.

"This is the Ancient Drawing of Divine Realm. It is only helpful to those below the Divine Connection Realm," Beihuang Fan smiled and said.

"Most people are below the Divine Connection Realm. This is really a good item then." Qing Shui looked at the drawing. It was full of spiritual energy.

"The Ancient Drawing of Divine Realm has different grades too. There is a better one which is effective for the Cave Realm warriors. That item is invaluable," Beihuang Fan explained.

"Even this one is invaluable. Aren't you afraid that I would not return it to you?" Qing Shui smiled.

"You have already given me too much. I'll give it to you if you like it." Beihuang Fan knew Qing Shui was joking but she still thought it was a bit low.

"Yeah, right. You belong to me, so this belongs to me as well," Qing Shui said happily.

"Anyway, take a look at the drawing. I have to leave first." Beihuang Fan filtered some of Qing Shui's words. She skipped the argument since this guy would not stop and she would lose eventually.

Qing Shui entered the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal and studied the drawing diligently. There was strange invisible energy on the drawing. It was neither spiritual energy nor spiritual Qi. It was a bitter sense as if one was staring down from the peak of a mountain. Looking at the people below from a higher ground, it was a feeling beyond description.

The Realm could only be experienced, but could never be put into words. The Realm was a journey, just like comparing a great and established event host with someone who had never been on stage. The difference of realm was an understatement.

Qing Shui gazed deeply at the drawing. Suddenly, the scene changed and he saw his previous battle. He saw the Golden Yaksha performing and the thoughts during the battle. The scene changed again; this time it was about two people in the battle. The entire ground was shaking and the mountains were breaking.

Soon, the scene changed again. Two demonic beasts were fighting now. A gigantic vicious monkey which was dark and hairy appeared. Its black hair was more than a meter long and very thick. Its opponent was a big demonic beast with an elephant's head and a lion's body.

Dong dong dong!

The vicious monkey pounded on its chest crazily and the dull and loud noise seemed to come from the ground. It sounded like battle horses galloping. Next, an insane roar was heard, as if it was going to pierce through the heaven.

The gigantic Elephant Lion Beast let out a terrifying roar. The roar turned physical and brought a huge cyclone, dashing to the vicious monkey. It was as fast as a tornado. The Elephant Lion Beast pressed on the vicious monkey with its mountain-like body.

Bang bang...

The loud crashing sound was ringing like a big drum. Dust flew around, stones and sand were brought up in a whirl. Both of the strength-driven demonic beasts kept on running into each other. The Elephant Lion Beast had two ten meters long tusks which were the most imposing and threatening killing body parts. In a blinking light, a golden beam shone ten meters away. It dashed to the vicious monkey.

The vicious monkey dared not go against the scary long tusks despite its strength. It made a huge leap and evaded the attack.

Bang!

The Elephant Lion Beast destroyed a small hill behind the vicious monkey.

The vicious monkey fell from the sky, a muscular leg stepped on the huge Elephant Lion Beast's body.

Roar!

The Elephant Lion Beast arched its back, letting out a great and loud roar.

Bang!

The lingering Origin Qi could be seen dispersing and a jungle nearby was flattened as a result.

The vicious monkey was extremely agile. It was suddenly holding a huge stick, seeming like a fire-plow but much bigger. It was as thick as the waist of an adult man and ten meters long. It fitted just nice in the vicious monkey's hand.

The Elephant Lion Beast swiftly raised its forelimbs. It bent its huge head back, piercing its sharp tusks at the vicious monkey.

The vicious monkey did not go hard on the Elephant Lion Beast but drifted swiftly. The black stick was smashed abruptly with a heavy force.

It was not over just yet. A strong wind blew out all of a sudden. A Dragon Horn Lion which was several hundred meters tall emerged and dashed over. Its huge claw blew off a summit easily. It was stunningly strong. Next, it pressed down the Elephant Lion Beast.

Pfft!

A big elephant head was spit out of its mouth and the Elephant Lion Beast was killed instantly. Opening its mouth again, shining lights were flashing all over. That was a shiny and attractive sword which was thrown at the vicious monkey. The vicious monkey was in turn glowing with black light. While swaying its black-colored stick, it was backing off simultaneously, showing that it was afraid of this enormous demonic beast.

Sharp fangs were blinking in the Dragon Horn Lion's huge mouth. A whirlpool was formed and Qing Shui watched as the Elephant Lion Beast and the vicious monkey were flying towards its mouth.

Heavenly Technique!

This was the terrific Heavenly Technique of the Dragon Horn Lion. It simply swallowed them.

Qing Shui finally regained his consciousness. The scenes replayed in his mind and made him feel as if there was mystical energy gushing in his body.

Qing Shui knew his stagnant realm was progressing now, and it only took him half a day.

After taking a rest, Qing Shui watched it again.

Qing Shui understood now. This was increasing his battle experience. The drawing enabled the spectator to have actual battle experience of the Divine Connection Realm. That was indirectly increasing his battle experience and knowledge. The realm was stabilized in real battles as it was especially easy to break through in a life or death battle.

Qing Shui benefited greatly, but it was exhausting to watch. It seemed like he actually participated in the battle himself, so it should not be watched daily. It was considered frequent to watch once in several days. Naturally, nobody should experience a life or death battle in a short period.

The advantage of watching this was that it did not cause harm to one's own life. Therefore, the effect was much weaker than an actual battle. However, this was meant for upgrading realms, especially for when one reached a bottleneck. On other days, it could enhance the battle experience and was very beneficial. One had to be clear between reality and the drawing, knowing how to differentiate between them. Otherwise, if one mistook an actual battle as the drawing, you wouldn't have the leisure to be in great remorse after dying. Fortunately, it was uncommon for one to do so because reality was easy to be identified.

Chapter 2227 - Five Colored Formation Breaking Stone

Pfft!

After one month in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal, a clear cracking sound was heard. He felt like floating as if something in his body was cleared off. A great refreshing feeling flowed throughout his entire body. It was cozy and was a whole new feeling.

Soon, he realized his abilities were enhanced. Qing Shui was surprised but he got used to it shortly. Previously when he achieved a breakthrough, his strength increased as well. Besides, the main increment was the external resistance like oppressing the lower realms, resisting the same realm and resisting being oppressed.

That was an indirect increase of strength instead of a true strength increment. As long as his realm was higher, he would be able to oppress his opponent and his strength would be enhanced. That was an intangible power. It was fair to be declared as a strength increment. It mainly depended on the realm of both parties.

Qing Shui was taken aback as he found out that his attacking power had breached 11 billion dao after this breakthrough. His strength almost doubled as a result. Qing Shui was at the Late Divine Connection Realm. Perhaps that was accumulated from earlier days.

His realm also skipped a few small stages. Qing Shui was pleased but not overly surprised by the 50 billion Dao increase in attacking power.

At the Late Divine Connection Realm, he would still be oppressed by the Cave Realm. At least, the extent of oppression would not be so great as it was recently. With the strength enhancement now, his defense would increase immensely. The Stellar Transposition was catching up as well.

Before this, he was more than a realm behind and he was being oppressed by someone who was double his strength. It was extremely difficult before this. However, things were different now. Qing Shui was confident in fighting against the old men outside.

Qing Shui had experienced a great transformation in his strength.

Qing Shui's defense was almost 140 billion Dao under the effects of the Defense Heavenly Fate Treasure Pagoda, the Paragon Golden Armor, and Foolish Loyalty. The attack of the Nine Continents Mountain was about 55 billion Dao with the power of Shield Attack.

Apart from that, Qing Shui noticed minor changes on the Divine Weapon Flying Sword. It became heavier and sharper. The Flying Sword was based on the owner's body. As Qing Shui's strength increased, the power of the Flying Sword would increase alongside.

Qing Shui was satisfied with the breakthrough at this moment. He was looking forward to attaining the Cave Realm. If he achieved the Cave Realm, he could probably kill the old men within seconds.

Although the breakthrough was over, Qing Shui spent the remaining time observing the Ancient Drawing of Divine Realm. However, he no longer felt the deep stir inside. It was as if he had lost the previous mutual connection.

That was to be expected as Qing Shui was now in the same realm as this Ancient Drawing. Though he had yet to reach the Peak Divine Connection and Half-step Cave Realm, it was not that impactful to watch the battle at this realm anymore. Qing Shui reckoned he could do the same in a battle like this.

It was still bright when he came out. Walking to the front yard, the others seemed to be in a discussion.

"They haven't left yet. After trying for half a day and failing to break the formation, they are resting in the tents nearby. They said to kill any of our men who walk outside. They don't believe that we would stay here forever," Beihuang Yu said.

"Haha! Of course we will go out. Why would we stay? Still, ignore them for two days first," Qing Shui nodded before walking out after saying that.

He noticed the Golden Yakshas who were resting in their camps nearby.

There were many creatures and living humans in the Sea King Palace; several of them were really killed as they went out, including the normal Aquatics.

Qing Shui knew they wanted to provoke him and force him into a battle.

Qing Shui surveyed the surroundings. The terrain was too simple and the opponents were widely distributed. He gave up the plan of trapping them in a formation. It was impossible when the opponents had their guards up.

"Coward, get out!"

"Are you not coming out? Stay in there forever then! I will kill every one of you who comes out. Let's see how long you can stay inside."

"Yunlong, you are a coward! Isn't the Silver Dragon Palace powerful? Why are you hiding in there?" A middle-aged Golden Yaksha screamed.

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Qing Shui looked at them while standing in the formation with Yunlong and others. The Golden Yaksha yelled after seeing Yunlong. He must have shouted as he saw Yunlong. His age was probably similar to Yunlong and they should have been opponents on other days.

Yunlong calmly responded with a smile, "You're more fertile than pigs. Such a cheap life; I won't fight with you guys and lower myself."

The Golden Yaksha was so angry that his face turned red. Pointing at Yunlong, he said, "Get out and fight with me. Only good at words, are you a man?"

"I am a man and I know it. You, on the other hand, are not married yet. I would ask myself whether you are one." Yunlong was not irritated.

Qing Shui smirked, seeing that this elder brother was good at bickering.

"You, you..."

Besides being unable to fight, he also lost in the argument. Thus, he panted angrily and left.

At that moment, the old men stepped forward and looked at Qing Shui. They knew this young man was in charge of the Sea King Palace so the elder who led the previous attack approached him, "You can't be always hiding inside. We'll sort this out one day."

"No rush. I have ample food supplies here," Qing Shui said.

"I actually have something that can break the formation but I've been thinking if I should use it. Behold." The Elder took out a five-colored sparkling stone.

"...Formation Breaking Stone." Qing Shui sounded surprised. This old man owned various items and this particular item could break many great formations. The Formation Breaking Stone was graded with colors. For example, this Five-colored Formation Breaking Stone was good enough to break the formation of the Sea King Palace. The Seven-colored Formation Breaking Stone could break any kind of formations, but it was very rare.

"Do you want me to use this Formation Breaking Stone or will you come out and have a proper battle with me?" The Elder looked at Qing Shui.

Qing Shui heaved a sigh. He knew the Elder was reluctant in giving up the Formation Breaking Stone. Otherwise, he would have used it much earlier. The Formation Breaking Stone was extremely precious. Still, Qing Shui knew that the Elder would use this Formation Breaking Stone under desperation.

There were a hundred thousand Golden Yakshas across. An amount that the Sea King Palace could never handle. Luckily, Qing Shui's strength had been improved. The opponent proposed for a fight which was exactly what Qing Shui was wishing for now. If he killed this Elder, the Sea King Palace would have a greater chance of victory.

"We go one on one or all three of you together?" Qing Shui asked with a smile.

"Don't try to provoke me. I will finish you myself," The Elder said confidently.

The opponent was at the Cave Realm so he definitely deserved the confidence. However, Qing Shui wondered which stage of the Cave Realm he was at now. One would only achieve the Cave Realm by opening the caves in his body. A cave could be upgraded to the next realm and it was better when the number increased. Eight Cave Realm was the limit, something that only absolute geniuses could achieve. Only those with special bloodlines or the Ancient Pure Breed Desolate Beast could attain the Nine Cave Realm while reaching the Ten Cave Realm solely depended on chances.

Chapter 2228 - The Incomparably Sturdy Diamond White Tiger King

Just as Qing Shui was about to step out, Beihuang Fan called out to him. "Be careful. You can summon your white tiger. Its abilities are comparable to that of the Golden Yakshas."

"Why didn't you say so earlier, woman?" Qing Shui responded without cheer.

While he realized the Diamond White Tiger King's strength, he still felt that something was off. Its greatest strength was in its defense, but its attack abilities were not as dangerous. However, if they were incomparable in state then it would be hard to exploit these traits, placing it on the same level as the Dark Phoenix. After all, the Spirit Gathering Lamp would not increase the strength of the Diamond White Tiger King. Not unless the Heaven Shaking Drum attained the Grand Perfection Stage of nine grades.

However, with Beihuang Fan's words, he had a change of opinion. If the Diamond White Tiger King could be matched in strength with that of the old man's, its attack abilities should definitely surpass the Dark Phoenix's with the help of Qing Shui's amplification. It wouldn't lose to that experienced fighter even when fighting solo.

Qing Shui was dejected as well. If only the Diamond White Tiger King was an attack type instead. With the Spirit Gathering Lamp and Qing Shui's amplification, along with the deduction of their opponent's stats, it would definitely be able to eliminate the majority of the Golden Yakshas. It was too bad that there was nothing much to the Diamond White Tiger King, apart from its defense, might, sharp claws, and teeth.

"I thought you already knew..." Beihuang Fan muttered.

Qing Shui summoned the Diamond White Tiger King the moment he stepped out.

Their opponent didn't react much to Qing Shui's summoning. After all, they couldn't possibly prohibit the other party from using demonic beasts. All they would gain from it would be a round of reprimanding.

Roar!

The Diamond White Tiger King used the Buddha Diamond Seal right away.

The physical attack of the Dragon White Tiger King was terrifying. After all, it was the mount of Buddha. Even without any enhancements, it was on par with the Dark Phoenix. If Qing Shui had used his halo formations, its physical attack could reach up to 150 billion Dao, and this was without the effect of the Heaven Shaking Drum. If the Heaven Shaking Drum could reach the ninth grade, Qing Shui was confident that the Diamond White Tiger King could annihilate every single one of their opponents.

If only it was the Heaven Shaking Drum that had broken through into the Grand Perfection Stage instead of Spirit Gathering Lamp. How great would that be...

Even so, these were mere fleeting thoughts. Qing Shui had invested much effort in training the Diamond White Tiger King as well, even to the extent of using Heavenly Magic Stars. It was too bad that it only enhanced its defense. While Qing Shui couldn't tell the level of defense it had now, his instincts told him that these Golden Yakshas wouldn't able to deal much damage to it.

It was most definitely categorized under the invincible type.

Qing Shui conveyed his intentions telepathically to the Diamond White Tiger King, and it rushed towards the Golden Yakshas.

Meanwhile, Qing Shui initiated the Buddha Wisdom Seal.

Thereafter, Qing Shui increased his own status as well as the Diamond White Tiger King's as he swam away.

Roar, roar!

The tiger's roar spanned across the entire battleground. The Diamond White Tiger King's deafening roars seemed to have chained up into one. There was a saying that a lion's roar was horrifying, but the fact remained that any cries from creatures of a certain might would be just as scary. Rings of sound waves began to spiral outwards, visible to the naked eye, and the air around them seemed to have been struck by a clash of thunder.

The enormous Golden Yaksha waved a bulky golden trident, pushing it towards the Diamond White Tiger King.

Its golden trident was sparkling in the same color, emitting faint scripture-looking words and an aura that it was seeking souls to be devoured.

At the bottom of the sea, smoke billowed in the air, and gusts of wind sliced through it like knives. The sky seemed much darker than before as a layer of fogginess akin to dark clouds obstructed the view of anything above.

The Diamond White Tiger King's body was glowing in bright light, looking divine beyond comparison.

Bang!

When the giant trident landed its attack on the Diamond White Tiger King, Qing Shui couldn't help the quiver in his heart. Much as he had faith in the Diamond White Tiger King, he couldn't help his reflex. It didn't take long before the circle of bright light combusted.

What followed was a sound that made the people present cringe and clench their jaws, and the golden trident was deflected by the force.

The Diamond White Tiger King was certainly a tough creature.

Qing Shui was exhilarated by the display. The mount of Buddha had been a worthy title. If Qing Shui had known about it earlier, he would have summoned it sooner. Though, on second thought, it would have served no real purpose being summoned any sooner. Even if it was only summoned now, it seemed as though not even the Diamond White Tiger King would be able to counter its opponent.

Roar!

Sustaining the impact from its opponent's attack, the Diamond White Tiger King let out a howl and leaped without warning, seemingly having jumped right out of the dimension where his realm was. Its sharpened claws were near two meters long, shimmering in a pale glow with the thickness of an adult's arm. It pierced towards the Golden Yakshas' chest.

Whimper, whimper...!

A hair-raising sound rang out, and a gaping hole of approximately three meters in size appeared at the back of Golden Yaksha. Inside the hole was unclear but it seemed deep. From it, a strange, gigantic python lunged forth.

The python had three heads with the one in the middle acting as its commander with a dragon head. The other two were made up of snake heads. A pair of horns decorated the commanding dragon head. This wasn't a true demonic beast. This was what Qing Shui deemed similar to those under the Nine Yang Dragon Soul category. At this moment, it directed its attacks towards the Diamond White Tiger King. The dragon head sprayed a pale gold vortex, wishing to suck the Diamond White Tiger King in.

Cave Realm.

This was the first time Qing Shui had seen the vortex of the Cave Realm and he was curious. He realized the might of those who had attained Divine cultivation and beyond once again.

Roar!

The Diamond White Tiger King let out a roar as its body enlarged in size. A mouthful of halo spilled from its mouth and collided against the three-headed python's golden vortex. The collision made the Diamond White Tiger King fly back on impact. While it wasn't injured, the force of impact was still enough to destabilize it.

Right at this moment, Qing Shui struck.

Stellar Transposition!

As if during the split second of the Diamond White Tiger King's withdrawal, Qing Shui's Stellar Transposition landed its attack on the three-headed python.

Bang!

The three-legged snake disappeared. With a sway of the Golden Yaksha's body, the three-headed snake was disabled temporarily. Qing Shui didn't understand why the Diamond White Tiger King didn't use its vortex, as it would have brought up a beast soul or a magic treasure upon exploitation. The vortex was basically an improved Dantian.

Roar!

Just as Qing Shui was pondering, he noticed a vortex appearing behind the Diamond White Tiger King. Before he could even see what was inside, a sharp claw emerged from it.

Qing Shui was startled before realizing it was the leg of a white tiger. It emitted a limitless pressure. This was a magic treasure, an inheritance treasure from the mount of Buddha—the Diamond White Tiger King. This was the White Tiger Divine Feet Spiritual Seal left by its ancestors.

The Golden Yaksha's expression changed at the sight of this and retreated in haste. The White Tiger Divine Feet seemed to be a terrifying weapon, piercing right through the Golden Yaksha's body and disappearing right after.

As Qing Shui had subdued the Diamond White Tiger King, he got to know the reason. While the White Tiger Divine Feet was incredible in attack power, it was a pity that effectively, it could only be used once a day.

It was a defiance to the natural order indeed. In that short instant, Qing Shui had felt that it had gotten even stronger than his Flying Sword. Its claws were too sharp and terrifying, slashing through the body of the Golden Yaksha as if it were made of butter.

Still, no matter how obnoxious and terrifying it was, it exhausted just as much energy. With the display, the Diamond White Tiger King's Origin Qi was depleted by a third. Even without restrictions, it could be used three times with much difficulty. The stronger it was, the more restrictions there would be, and the higher price needed to be paid.

Chapter 2229 - Horrifying White Tiger Divine Feet, Awakening the Guardian

With remaining grievance leading up to his death, the Golden Yaksha looked towards the Diamond White Tiger King and muttered, "Diamond White Tiger King."

It was apparent that they didn't recognize the Diamond White Tiger King from before. If they had, it would be hard to tell whether they would have still accepted the fight. Still, it was too late by now. Qing Shui kept the Golden Yakshas' Five Colored Formation Breaking Stone and the others without sparing another glance. After all, at their level, the items they carried must be decent regardless.

The Diamond White Tiger King had displayed the powerful White Tiger Divine Feet and killed the senior warrior from the Golden Yakshas, leaving the latter's counterparts apprehensive about their situation. They were now stuck in a dilemma. It would be impossible to fight against the white tiger alone. After all, who would be able to deal with that attack?

On the other hand, Qing Shui was elated. He didn't expect the Diamond White Tiger King to carry such an element of surprise. In fact, his initial plan was to use the Diamond White Tiger King as a disruption while he searched for a way to defeat their opponents on his own. As long as the Stellar Transposition and the Flying Swords were incorporated properly, they would be enough to draw his opponent's final breath. He was currently in his later part of the Divine Connection after all.

Qing Shui had made his preparations to attack in a few moment's time, leveraging on their unpreparedness. Now that Qing Shui had the Five Colored Formation Breaking Stone, in addition to their wariness of the white tiger, he doubted they would dare to attack. Rather, they would likely retreat back to the safety of their Guardian Beast.

The bigger sects and aristocrats of Immortal Palaces all had their own Guardian Beasts. It was the mightiest existence of the sect, with power to protect them and the offering in exchange for the authority they wielded.

The Sea King Palace didn't have a Guardian Beast. Qing Shui was aware that they were not at that level of power yet.

The Divine Palace had one, but Qing Shui had never seen it before.

Many of the less mighty groups had their own Guardian Beast but they were simply weak. At that thought, Qing Shui wondered if it was time to get the Sea King Palace a Guardian Beast as well.

Not just any demonic beast could be a Guardian Beast. Guardian Beasts didn't belong to any particular person, but protected an entire clan of people instead. Hence, to find a Guardian Beast, he would have to look for it nearby. It would be best if it had grown strong from the clan's power.

With a shake of his head, he cast those thoughts aside. Qing Shui was ready, his mind set on killing one more of them. In any case, they had already killed two of them, and the others would not pose a threat to the Sea King Palace. However, there were still dozens of gifted members situated behind the Golden Yakshas seniors in the front row. They would be the ones to support their clan's survival in the future.

The remaining two seniors of the Golden Yakshas exchanged looks before one of them abruptly held out a seal type of item and moved it around in haste. What followed left Qing Shui stunned. The entire fleet of Golden Yakshas had disappeared without a trace, not a single one left behind.

Fled. They fled just like that...

They hadn't simply fled. They had used a precious type of one-time use, transportation seal to do so. It was one which required them to place a designated location beforehand. It was something used to save their lives at the most critical moment.

After a while, Qing Shui snapped back to reality. "Wasn't that too exaggerated? They would have a 50% chance of fleeing successfully if they had just turned and walked. I was still hoping they would leave at least one person behind..."

"In that case, I suppose they were right in choosing that method," Beihuang Fei replied and laughed.

Even though their troubles with the Golden Yakshas had been dealt with for now, there was still a possibility that they would return, perhaps even with their Guardian Beast. That was an issue they might have to face in the future, but at least for now, they would be fine.

After a few days of stay, the Yunlong couple left when everything had calmed down.

Yin Tong, Beihuang Fan, Beihuang Yu, and the others followed suit while Qing Shui stayed behind without plans of leaving just yet, despite not being in any critical danger. His opponents could only tolerate their rage towards Qing Shui if they didn't want to risk clashing against him again. Besides, it would only incur mockery from the Main Continent, causing others to gang up against them.

It was true that Qing Shui had annihilated two of their stronger warriors but it was done without secrecy.

Qing Shui didn't have much on his agenda in any case, besides playing with Qing Xiu, Qing She, and the other children, as well as helping them train. Thereafter, his mind drifted back to the topic of Guardian Beasts.

In truth, Guardians weren't limited to just creatures like the demonic beasts. For example, there were bloodthirsty demonic vines which were terrifying species despite the fact that they were simply plants. The Main Continent had a lot of species of plants which were similar to that of the demonic vines, and they had much more to be feared about in comparison to demonic beasts. Even if they looked like they were just tiny trees, they might not be as innocent as they seemed.

Qing Shui's thoughts shifted. There was a stalk of bloodthirsty demonic vines within the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal, and had been there for quite some time. It had plenty of time to absorb the Spiritual Qi within the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal, as well as being watered by the Spring of Life. While it didn't appear to have changed much in size, its appearance had taken a complete turn from when it was first placed there.

That said, Qing Shui couldn't know the status of the bloodthirsty demonic vines. In order to turn it into a Guardian Tree or a Guardian Vine, it would require an awakening.

It would then guard wherever it was awakened and there would be a huge price to pay for it. Besides, those awakened weren't usually all that powerful either, which was why Guardians usually awakened on their own and guarded wherever it was out of gratefulness.

Qing Shui was a man of his words. Within the Sea King Palace, he looked for an area with a dense amount of Spiritual Qi. Even though he was under the sea, there were still mountains and lakes here, as they were within an enchantment.

Migrating the bloodthirsty demonic vines out, a few women came over, all of whom were startled beyond words when they found out about Qing Shui's intentions of awakening it to become the Sea King Palace's Guardian.

Qing Shui had the utmost faith towards the bloodthirsty demonic vines. After all, they had absorbed so much Spiritual Qi in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal and had survived for so long. Hence, he thought the bloodthirsty demonic vines must have had intellect by now.

The process of awakening couldn't be done alone. Qing Shui sent someone around the Sea King Palace to collect their member's blood essence, drip by drip, refining it and adding into the Spring of Life. What was collected before was already in the Treasure Basin to increase its abilities. As for the Hundred Treasure Chest, Qing Shui left it out lest it became an entirely different creation.

Of course, Qing Shui and the other women's blood essence were included as well, as those were the more crucial components. Even so, within such a vast Sea King Palace, its blood essence wasn't something to laugh at either. They refined the blood essence into a drip that was the size and density of a human's head.

With his mind, Qing Shui urged the bloodthirsty demonic vines to absorb this drop of blood.

Everything was smooth-sailing. The bloodthirsty demonic vine was the strongest and scariest existence among the vines indeed. It sucked up the enormous blood essence greedily. The very essence which contained countless of other blood essences, including Qing Shui's and from the other women. For normal people, a drop of blood essence was enough to shave off half their lives, and they weren't normal people. Each drop of their blood essence was packed with great energy.

Bang!

The bloodthirsty demonic vines rose abruptly, growing tenfold of their initial size, the entire body covered in crimson red. The enchantment above was broken and innumerable blood red demonic vines extended outwards and into the sea of people. A few of the giant demonic beasts weren't in time to dodge it, and were bound and sucked dry of their blood essence.

Qing Shui could tell that it was a success just by watching as the drop of blood shrunk bit by bit. With the rate it was going, it would likely require a month's worth of time to complete.

"The Sea King Palace will have a Guardian in the future. I wonder if the bloodthirsty demonic vines would be strong," Muyun Qingge spoke up hopefully.

"Plant-type Guardians would usually have a designated area, unless their abilities were beyond nature's order. Otherwise, most would only be able to move within the area. However, there are sure to be losses where there are gains. Even though mobility is inconvenient, their might will be far stronger than that of demonic beasts."

Chapter 2230 - Beautiful Rider, The Almighty Guardian Vine

There were some unique cases of plants which could move around naturally, and others which gained some sort of Heavenly Technique that allowed them to do so. Those that were mightier could likewise gain mobility. For example, Guardians moved when the sect moved, as would plants. This was a natural ability, though many could only use it once in a long time.

Many were looking forward to the almighty-looking bloodthirsty demonic vines, hoping that the awakening would strengthen it even further. At its current state, they could already tell that the awakening would be a success.

The bloodthirsty demonic vines that Qing Shui retrieved from Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal could be considered a mystical item belonging to an ancient type of demonic vines. Moreover, it was bloodthirsty, making it the strongest type among the demonic vine variation.

Everything was going along on the right track and all it required was some more time. Hence, Qing Shui created a formation there and left a few people to guard while everyone else went back to rest.

This was a troubling time for them. Qing Shui couldn't be sure if the Golden Yakshas would return. If they did come back, stronger than before, there would be a chance that the formation could be destroyed. He wasn't sure if they would be able to stop it. The Diamond White Tiger King could take a beating, but it'd be hard to get the same result with the opponents they had dealt with before.

The Guardian of a sect held the utmost importance. Many large sects relied on their Guardians. A strong Guardian would be able to protect the sect for thousands of years. As long as they were around, the sect would be well protected and left unscathed.

However, it was difficult to find any Guardians, much less the mighty ones. They would not protect an area without any rhyme or reason, unless there was something they wanted from the place, or if they owed them gratitude and such.

Qing Shui embraced Yiye Jiange the minute he stepped into the room. Qing Xiu was sleeping in their own room now and had already gone to rest after the days of tough training.

With a kiss to her sweet lips, his hands began its climb on her magnificent, yet delicate body. Yiye Jiange's eyes fluttered as she held tightly onto Qing Shui, submitting to his actions.

They were apart for a long time and absences made the heart fonder than newlyweds. Even a docile lady like Yiye Jiange would be swayed by Qing Shui's teasing.

"Master, you've always been a Goddess without temptations. Who knows if you have desires too," Qing Shui teased as he whispered in her ear.

"Jerk. I'm not your Master." Yiye Jiange's face flushed at that. After all, they had been married for many years now. She was no longer as embarrassed as she used to be.

"These parts have grown bigger again." Qing Shui palmed the perky peaks as they stood proud. They were surprisingly bouncy and warm. Qing Shui was drunk by their scent and with a light tug, Yiye Jiange's clothes were torn apart.

"How boorish!" Yiye Jiange's heart skipped a beat.

Qing Shui left kiss marks from her neck down to her chest. His hands were nimble as he made full use of them while she fell limp in ecstasy.

Yiye Jiange laid on the soft mattress. There was an inexplicable beauty to the contrast of her fair skin against the pale blankets. Pure and untainted, her back was smooth and delicate, not forgetting the perfect combination of her bouncy rear and slender waist.

They were all astonishing and Qing Shui's hands couldn't help but touch them over again before succumbing to his temptation of taking a bite.

After almost four hours, Qing Shui had not only witnessed a beautiful rider, but had also managed to get Yiye Jiange into different positions which she would not have done in the past. It left him utterly satisfied.

Thereafter, he visited Qing Hanye's room. Though Qing She had already gone to rest for the night, Qing Hanye was still awake, lunging towards Qing Shui's embrace the moment she saw him.

Qing Hanye was the most daring in front of Qing Shui and was likewise a lot more proactive. She provided him with much entertainment all the way until the break of dawn.

It was fortunate that Qing Shui had a Nine Yang body, or it wouldn't be enough to satisfy Qing Hanye's Nine Ying body.

The days went by peacefully and Qing Shui was hard at work in his training as well. He would spend some time admiring Beihuang Fan's gift to him, the Ancient Drawing of Divine Realm, whenever he had time to spare. Qing Shui had reached the Divine Connection Peak during this time as well. Once he surpassed this state, he would be able to catch up to Beihuang Fan and attain the Half-Step Cave Realm.

The increment in his ability was simply too small of a margin. It would only increase by a significant amount if he had broken through to the greater part of the realm. Such a breakthrough in sub-realms wouldn't contribute much to increase in might, but it would still be able to resist against suppression from opponents or help in suppressing them.

Qing Shui and the other women were waiting for the bloodthirsty demonic vines today as it finished up the last bit of the blood drop and became Sea King Palace's Guardian Vine. Its level of ability was still something to speculate about.

Time ticked on as the morning sun rose. Rays of pale gold shimmer penetrated the domain, illuminating the deep blue sea.

The blood drop shrunk further until it was barely visible anymore.

Tch, tch!

Suddenly, a crisp sound rang out. The spectators witnessed a red ray of light originating from the gigantic bloodthirsty demonic vines, soaring towards the sky, filtering the area in red. The light reached out hundreds of miles out, painting the Northern Sea in red as its aura followed suit.

Qing Shui was anxious. Strong, without verbal confirmation, he knew that the bloodthirsty demonic vine was strong.

"I will be the Guardian of this place from here on out." A voice of a middle-aged man rang out. It sounded neutral, unable to distinguish its gender, and it was calm but strong.

Qing Shui realized that he couldn't sense the actual strength of his bloodthirsty demonic vines, but it felt stronger than the Golden Yakshas.

Qing Shui and the other inhabitants of the Sea King Palace paid respects to the bloodthirsty demonic vine. By age, the bloodthirsty demonic vine was a lot older than them, and by strength, it was stronger as well. With it as their Guardian Vine, the Sea King Palace would be able to enter the Nine Continents Star Ocean Domain.

"You have given me my life and awakened me. Everything I have is because of you. I should be the one paying my respects instead." At this moment, the bloodthirsty demonic vines extended one of its vines towards Qing Shui, preventing him from bowing.

"Even so, I owe you my gratitude for being the Guardian Vine of this area. We'll have to rely on you to protect their well-being from now on." Qing Shui smiled but didn't insist.

"This is the exact role for my awakening. Don't worry. As long as I live, I'll protect this place and I am confident in doing so," Calmly, the bloodthirsty demonic vine replied.

Qing Shui felt at ease now that the Sea King Palace had obtained its own Guardian Vine. In the future, this bloodthirsty demonic vine might become his own clan's Guardian Vine instead. Or perhaps, he would awaken another Guardian at the Qing Clan when he finds the chance.

That said, Qing Shui knew that it'd be a difficult task. Awakening a bloodthirsty demonic vine was coincidental. It was an ancient species which Qing Shui knew the awakening technique to—a great amount of blood essence.

Qing Shui had no clue about the awakening of other species and the failure rate would be much higher due to this. Guardian Beasts were vastly different from taming one. Guardian Beasts were respected and revered, a distinction from tamed beasts.

Maybe he'd have to awaken other bloodthirsty demonic vines in the future. There was still one more stalk left in the Realm of the Violet Jade Immortal which Qing Shui couldn't bear to use, neither did he think the Qing Clan would need it. They didn't have many members, and likewise, their blood essence wouldn't amount to much.