## Another World 1991

Chapter 1991: Choosing Manuals From The Blade Pavillion

Black Dragon Mountain was an unusual region in the Tyrant Blade Sect. This was because Black Dragon Mountain was a place that the sect couldn't control.

The Tyrant Blade Sect was among the strongest sects in the True Spirit Realm, so why can't they control a region in their territory? What makes Black Dragon Mountain special?

Actually, the reason was very simple. Black Dragon Mountain was too big. Black Dragon Mountain was one of the largest mountains in the True Spirit Realm. At the same time, it was a region infested with powerful beasts. There were even rumors that the strongest beasts in the mountain aren't any weaker than the strongest cultivators in the realm.

Because of these powerful beasts, Black Dragon Mountain became a famous spot for trials in the True Spirit Realm. The mountain had an inexhaustible amount of beasts, herbs, and other resources. Cultivators in the True Spirit Realm were always seen swarming into the mountain.

The entire Black Dragon Mountain was nearly ten million kilometers long, passing through dozens of sects. The Tyrant Blade Sect contains the tail end of the Black Dragon Mountain. From time to time, the beasts from the mountain would come down and attack the cultivators of the Tyrant Blade Sect, which was a headache for the sect.

It must be said that it wouldn't be impossible for the Tyrant Blade Sect to clean up the section of the Black Tiger Mountain that was inside their territory. The sect can send experts to completely wipe out the section, making the surroundings safer.

However, this action would also risk offending the powerful beasts in the Black Dragon Mountain. If the powerful beasts retaliated, the Tyrant Blade Sect would suffer huge losses. Because of this, the Tyrant Blade Sect left the mountain be.

Additionally, the surroundings of the mountain has become a trial ground for Tyrant Blade Sect disciples. So the sect allowed the beasts in the mountain to exist.

Meanwhile, it was unfortunate that Lower Earth Mountain happened to be the closest mountain to Black Dragon Mountain. It used to be the residence of the inner disciples of the Tyrant Blade Sect. But now, it has been slowly abandoned due to the increasing beasts of the Black Dragon Mountain. Now, only disciples who trained in Black Dragon Mountain settled down on Lower Earth Mountain.

Hearing Qiu Tie's introduction, Zhao Hai couldn't help but frown as he said, "So there's almost nobody in Lower Earth Mountain? I'm going to live there alone?"

Qiu Tie shook his head and said, "There are still people living in Lower Earth Mountain. In fact, they're very famous. They're called the 12 Lower Earth Eccentrics. I heard that they're experts even among inner disciples. The reason they live in Lower Earth Mountain is because it is easier to enter Black Dragon Mountain from there. Young Master, with your current strength, it's not suitable for you to live in Lower Earth Mountain. Do you want to tell the two Elders about this? They might be able to transfer you to another place."

Zhao Hai shook his head and declined. He has a general awareness of his situation. He was even suspecting that this was an arrangement of the Yin Yang Elders for the purpose of testing him. So Zhao Hai didn't bother.

On the other hand, Zhao Hai was surprised by Qiu Tie. There's no need to mention the kid's basic knowledge of the Tyrant Blade Sect. And when Zhao Hai was about to understand the extent of Qiu Tie's knowledge, he would find that the kid knew even more. This wasn't something a five year old could achieve.

Zhao Hai looked at Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, how do you know these things?"

Qiu Tie proudly replied, "I read about these things in the clan. My grandfather said a long time ago that as a servant, everything we do must be done for our master. Everything has to be done in consideration of our master. And if there was any danger, we need to remind the master immediately. This is the responsibility of a servant."

Zhao Hai was stunned, then he smiled bitterly. He didn't expect the Qiu Clan's education to be this strict.

At this time, the two arrived before the winged horses. The person who was there before bowed to Zhao Hai and said, "Mister, are you leaving?"

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Yes, how much do I need to pay?"

The servant replied, "You've been gone less than an hour. Mister only needs to pay one jade essence." Zhao Hai nodded and then took out one jade essence and gave it to the servant. After placing Qiu Tie on one of the winged horses, Zhao Hai rode his own winged horse and then left the miscellaneous hall.

The winged horses flew towards the northeast side of the Miscellaneous Hall. Qiu Tie looked at Zhao Hai in confusion and asked, "Master, Lower Earth Mountain isn't in this direction."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "I know. But we're not going to Lower Earth Mountain yet. I want to go to the Blade Pavilion and get my five secret manuals."

Upon hearing Zhao Hai, Qiu Tie nodded and no longer said anything. Now that Zhao Hai has obtained a map of the Tyrant Blade Sect, he naturally no longer needs to ask Qiu Tie for directions.

The Blade Pavilion was a very important place for the Tyrant Blade Sect. It was located on an extremely steep mountain. It was said that if one man blocks the path upwards the mountain, then nobody would be able to pass them.

The Blade Pavilion was the sole building on the mountain. It was nine floors high, six of which were open to the disciples. Serving disciples could only enter the first floor of the pavilion. Outer disciples can enter up to the second floor, inner disciples can enter the third floor. True disciples can enter the fourth floor and core disciples can enter the fifth and sixth floor. The top three floors couldn't be accessed by disciples.

Nobody knows how many people were guarding the Blade Pavilion. The only thing everyone knows was that the guards of the pavilion were powerful experts. The pavilion not only has experts, it also has a formidable defensive formation. It was said that it would be easier to attack the Tyrant Blade Sect's main hall than its Blade Pavilion.

In front of the Blade Pavilion was a stretch of open area. Zhao Hai had his winged horses land on that area. Similar to the Miscellaneous Hall, a servant was present to collect parking fees.

Seeing this, Zhao Hai couldn't help but bitterly smile. It seems like you need to spend money everywhere in the Tyrant Blade Sect. If someone couldn't make money, they would find it very hard to survive in the sect.

After parking the winged horses, Zhao Hai led Qiu Tie to the Blade Pavilion. The entrance to the pavilion wasn't big and there weren't many people inside. There was a counter near the entrance and a female disciple sitting on the other side. She was looking down as she was reading through a jade slip.

Zhao Hai arrived at a counter and cupped his fist as he said, "Senior Sister, I'm here to receive this year's secret manuals."

The female disciple looked up at Zhao Hai and nodded as she said, "Identity token." Zhao took his identity token out and handed it over to the female disciple.

The female disciple inspected the identity token and nodded. Then she said, "You can select books on the lower three floors. Once you've chosen, bring them back to me so that I could record them to a blank jade slip. If you want more, you can use 100 jade essences to record manuals from the first floor. The second floor requires contribution points. Each manual on the second floor needs 10 contribution points to record. Third floor manuals need 50 contribution points."

Zhao Hai nodded, then he asked, "Senior Sister, are there handwritten books I could borrow?"

The female cultivator nodded, "The third floor has handwritten books. But they're not included in the free allocation. If you want to borrow one, you need 100 contribution points and it's only for ten days. If you don't return it after ten days, 10 contribution points will be added to your balance every day."

Zhao Hai paused for a moment. He didn't think that the Tyrant Blade Sect would have this bookborrowing system. But he soon nodded and then walked into the building. He wasn't in a hurry to go to the third floor. Instead, he browsed the manuals on the first floor. The first floor had plenty of shelves with jade slips on them. Looking around, Zhao Hai could estimate that there were no less than ten million jade slips inside.

Fortunately, a classification was shown on the top of the shelves. There were shelves for cultivation methods, blade techniques, movement techniques, and so on.

Zhao Hai gave an approving nod. The management of the Tyrant Blade Sect was very formal. As he walked through the first floor, Zhao Hai arrived on a shelf with 'Cultivation Methods' written on top of it. Zhao Hai took one jade slip and probed it with his spiritual force. A line immediately appeared in his mind, "Primordial Chaos Manual, foundational cultivation method. Suits earth element cultivators. After comprehending, the user's qi would embody the beginning of the universe. The user's defensive strength would also be increased. For more detailed content, please head to the entrance to unblock the restriction."

Seeing this, Zhao Hai understood that the jade slips placed on the shelves only revealed an introductory part of the manual. Unless the restriction was lifted, the real contents wouldn't be seen.

After thinking about it, Zhao Hai took the jade slip. Although the Primordial Chaos Manual was the lowest grade of cultivation method in the Tyrant Blade Sect, Zhao Hai wanted to go through this manual to see how it differed to the cultivation methods of the Great Realm of Cultivation.

Now that he has selected the Primordial Chaos Method, Zhao Hai went to the shelves for movement techniques. He took a jade slip and read its summary, "Windborn Movement Technique, intermediate movement technique. Suitable for wind element spirit roots. After comprehending, the user's body would be as agile as a falling leaf. For more detailed content, please head to the entrance to unblock the restriction."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and took the jade slip. Then he went to the shelves for blade techniques. He took a jade slip and read its summary. It was a technique known as Rapid Blades, a foundational blade technique. It would cause the user's blade techniques to be quick. Zhao Hai placed the jade slip back on the shelf. He wasn't looking for these types of blade techniques. He wanted to look for a blade technique that has an attribute. Zhao Hai has no need for techniques like this one.

Before long, Zhao Hai took a jade slip and read that it was an earth element blade technique named the Sealing Blade. Although Zhao Hai already has the Eight Gates Golden Lock Technique as a defensive technique, he wants to see how the two techniques differed.

Zhao Hai looked around again and found that there were shelves that were for fist techniques, kicking techniques, and palm techniques. Zhao Hai couldn't help but be curious. He walked and took a jade slip for a fist technique. It was a foundation fist technique called the Beating Waves Fist Technique. Although it was a water element technique, Zhao Hai still took it. Then on the shelves for kicking techniques, Zhao Hai took a jade slip with a technique called the Crumbling Mountain Kicking Technique.

In this manner, Zhao Hai chose five jade slips, then he didn't take more. He sent the jade slips to the Space and then led Qiu Tie upstairs. He didn't stop on the second floor and went directly to the third floor. The third floor had significantly less shelves than the first floor. However, there were shelves that looked different than the rest. These shelves were filled with books instead of jade slips. Zhao Hai walked over and curiously picked a book and read it. The title of the book was "Thunder Rush Blade Insights" followed by "Lei Zhu".

Zhao Hai wanted to read further but he discovered that the pages were stuck. He knew that this should be the restriction on the book. He placed the book back on the shelf and looked at another one. He found that the books were mostly about insights. Zhao Hai turned his head and looked at the other shelves on the third floor.

The shelves on the third floor were divided into six categories: Cultivation Methods, Movement Techniques, Blade Techniques, Fist Techniques, Palm Techniques, and Kicking Techniques. Zhao Hai found that the Tyrant Blade Sect doesn't have manuals for other weapons. All techniques were for the blade. It seems like this was intentional on the part of the Tyrant Blade Sect.

Zhao Hai didn't hesitate and went to the shelves with blade techniques and picked up a jade slip. The jade slip was for a technique called the Rolling Rock Blade. It was an offensive earth element technique that was rated intermediate. Zhao Hai stored the blade technique and took other blade techniques. Zhao Hai chose a metal element blade technique called the Goldentip Blade, a wood element blade technique called the Fallen Leaves Blade, another wood element blade technique called the Wisteria Blade, and a water element technique called the Ice Cold Blade. All techniques were graded intermediate. After choosing these techniques, Zhao Hai took Qiu Tie back downstairs.

Upon arriving at the entrance, Zhao Hai took ten jade slips out and handed them over to the female cultivator while saying, "Senior Sister, I want to record these ten jade slips. The five jade slips from the third floor will be taken from my free manuals. I will pay for the other five."

Hearing Zhao Hai, the female cultivator couldn't help but pause. Then she nodded and said, "Alright." After that, she examined the ten jade slips and recorded their names. Then she took out ten blank jade slips and recorded the contents of the jade slips inside. After recording, she looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Junior Brother, please have a look. The jade slips recorded are, Windborn Movement Technique, Primordial Chaos Manual, Sealing Blade, Beating Waves Fist Technique, Crumbling Mountain Kicking Technique, Rolling Rocks Blade, Goldentip Blade, Fallen Leaves Blade, Wisteria Blade, and Ice Cold Blade. If everything is correct, then I'll ask Junior Brother to pay 500 jade essences." Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Everything's correct. Thank you very much, Senior Sister." After he said that, he took out a spatial bag and handed it to the female disciple. Upon receiving the spatial bag and confirming the 500 jade essences, the female disciple nodded and said, "It's the exact amount. Junior Brother can go now."

Zhao Hai cupped his fist and then received the jade slips before leaving. Looking at Zhao Hai's back, the female disciple couldn't help but have a look of confusion on her face.

# Chapter 1992: Lower Earth Mountain

Nobody can blame the female disciple for being confused. Zhao Hai's selection of jade slips was very mixed. There was earth element, metal element, wind element, water element, and wood element jade slips. Seeing so many elements in a cultivator's selection, it was normal for anyone to be confused.

Most people in the Tyrant Blade Sect have Earth-grade and Mortal-grade spirit roots. There were almost no Heaven-grade spirit roots. If there were, the sect would certainly train them in secret and they wouldn't come to the Blade Pavilion. Besides cultivators with Heaven-grade spirit roots, cultivators wouldn't practice so many elements. However, Zhao Hai strangely bought a mixed bag of jade slips.

Meanwhile, Zhao Hai didn't think about it too much. He left the Blade Pavilion with Qiu Tie, paid the parking fee, and then flew towards Lower Earth Mountain.

Lower Earth Mountain was east of the Blade Pavilion. Zhao Hai commanded his winged horses to fly directly to the mountain. Since the Lower Earth Mountain was very far, it took Zhao Hai and Qiu Tie five hours of flying before seeing the mountain.

It didn't take long for Zhao Hai to see that Lower Earth Mountain wasn't in a good location. The closer Zhao Hai flew to Lower Earth Mountain, the less people he saw. He even began to see beasts in some places, which surprised him.

Lower Earth Mountain wasn't very tall. It was only about 20 kilometers above sea level. The mountain was quite steep and it occupied a large area. It was 150 kilometers from north to south and it had 21 peaks in total. There were all kinds of trees growing on the mountain.

Zhao Hai made the winged horses circle around Lower Earth Mountain. The mountain itself was good, but because of how steep it was, there were only two roads leading up to it.

Courtyards were built on the 21 peaks of the mountain. But naturally, most of these courtyards have been abandoned. They were infested with weeds.

When Zhao Hai saw signs of activity on one of the main peaks, he directed his winged horses to fly towards it. At the same time, the people on the mountain could see someone coming. They stood up and looked at Zhao Hai.

Zhao Hai counted and there were 12 individuals. It seems like they are the 12 Eccentrics that Qiu Tie mentioned. At this moment, the winged horses landed on the ground. Zhao Hai took Qiu Tie down from the winged horse and then the two headed towards the 12 individuals.

After arriving with Qiu Tie, Zhao Hai cupped his fist towards the 12 people and said, "Zhao Hai has met Senior Brothers. I was assigned resident complex number 52 of Lower Earth Mountain by the Miscellaneous Hall. I just arrived here, does Senior Brothers know where my residence is?"

As he said that, Zhao Hai inspected the 12 cultivators. These twelve individuals really deserve to be called the 12 Eccentrics. Although they wore cultivator clothing, their clothes were too colorful. It was as if they took different colored robes and then threw them all inside a washing machine. As a result, the colors faded and mixed with every robe, turning the robes into a mess of colors.

The hair of these 12 people were also a mess. Their beards were very long and ungroomed. They looked more like crazy people than cultivators. At the same time, the 12 Eccentrics were also inspecting Zhao Hai. They sized Zhao Hai up with a strange gaze. Their gazes were a bit inquisitive, but it was mostly curiosity.

Seeing that the 12 didn't respond, Zhao Hai scanned through the area. He discovered that it was a huge architectural complex. Zhao Hai moved towards the front of the gate and saw written on it were three characters for  $52(\Xi + \Box)$ .

When he saw these three characters, Zhao Hai couldn't help but chuckle. Then he returned to the courtyard and greeted the 12 Eccentrics once more, "I've made Senior Brothers laugh. I didn't know that this was resident complex number 52. May I choose any room here?"

Like before, the 12 Eccentrics didn't say anything, they just looked at Zhao Hai in silence. After waiting for a while and receiving no reply, Zhao Hai looked around and found the rooms where the twelve lived. Their rooms were right beside each other. They took up an entire courtyard block. However, there were paths leading to other courtyard blocks right beside theirs. It seems like the twelve eccentrics lived in just one courtyard block.

Seeing that there was no response, Zhao Hai shrugged and led Qiu Tie towards the path towards the unoccupied courtyards.

Zhao Hai shoved the gate of one courtyard block open and saw that it was bigger than the previous one. The courtyard had 20 rooms altogether. There was even a training ground. Spread throughout the floor were slates of cyan stones. Since the courtyard hasn't been used for a long time, weeds have drilled themselves into every crevice. There was a huge locust tree in the center, providing an umbrella to the whole block. On the east side of the courtyard was a well that was constructed from stone. It looks to be the only water source for the residence.

The rooms in the courtyard were made of wood and stone. There should be a layer of red paint on the walls, but it had already fallen off. However, the body of the residence was still complete and strong. But with the fallen leaves and weeds everywhere, it looked very desolate.

Qiu Tie was still a child all things considered, so when he saw this scene, he couldn't help but move to Zhao Hai's side in fear. Seeing Qiu Tie's expression, Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "It's alright. Don't be afraid. I'll have someone clean it up in no time."

Qiu Tie looked at Zhao Hai in confusion. He didn't understand what Zhao Hai was talking about. They didn't employ anyone from the Miscellaneous Hall, so who was going to clean the courtyard?

Zhao Hai waved his hand and released a group of robots. It must be said that although the True Spirit Realm doesn't allow beings from the Space to come out, the robots could still appear. Robots have no life in them and could be regarded as tools. They wouldn't be repelled by the realm's laws.

But at the same time, Zhao Hai's robots don't have any significant strength. They were only strong enough to do menial tasks that Zhao Hai needed to be done, like cleaning and housework.

Zhao Hai released 30 robots all in all. After all robots appeared, Zhao Hai ordered, "Remove all the weeds in the courtyard and place the furniture inside the residence. Also, listen to what he has to say from now on." As he said that, Zhao Hai pointed towards Qiu Tie.

Qiu Tie was now very curious about the robots. The robots were fully metallic and weren't covered by biochemical skin. Because of this, Qiu Tie immediately understood that it was a machine. But this was also the cause for Qiu Tie's curiosity.

Puppets were also present in the True Spirit Realm. Moreover, it was very common. The Tyrant Blade Sect even has a place specifically for researching puppets. There were also cultivators in the sect that used puppets. Cultivators in the Tyrant Blade Sect used puppets for combat. Nobody would use their puppet to do housework, that was a job for servants. And puppets needed contribution points to buy. Nobody would waste their contribution points just for their puppet to do housework.

A puppet would immediately be snagged the moment they appear on the market. With how rare they were, it was simply impossible for puppets to do housework. Naturally, there were no such things as servant puppets.

The puppets that Qiu Tie had seen before were only battle puppets. He hasn't seen puppets like the ones Zhao Hai took out. When the robots began to take tools out to do housework under Zhao Hai's order, Qiu Tie's attention was immediately captured.

Looking at Qiu Tie's appearance, Zhao Hai couldn't help but laugh. Then he took out two chairs and a table. He sat down and he took out a bottle of wine and a bottle of juice. Then he called Qiu Tie over and said, "Come, Little Tie, drink some juice. The robots will take care of the courtyard from now on. If you need something done, you can order them. But I have to remind you that they can only do housework like cleaning and making meals, nothing else."

Qiu Tie looked at Zhao Hai with a blank expression. He really couldn't understand what Zhao Hai was saying. He had never seen a cultivator carry these kinds of things with him.

Thinking of this, Qiu Tie turned his head and glanced at his side once again. There were piles of furniture including beds, tables, chairs, carpets, and daily necessities. There were even things that he hadn't seen before.

Upon hearing that Zhao Hai wanted him to sit down, Qiu Tie bowed and said, "I won't dare. Young Master, the sect has a rule that a servant cannot sit when the Master is sitting."

Zhao Hai was stunned, then he asked, "You can't even sit even if I ask you to?"

Qiu Tie was silent for a moment, then upon thinking for a while, he said, "I haven't heard that it wasn't allowed. But Grandfather told me that even if the Young Master asks me to sit, I cannot sit down. Otherwise, there would be no division between master and servant."

Hearing Qiu Tie, Zhao Hai couldn't help but think about Qiu Zhen. Recalling Qiu Zhen's serious expression, Zhao Hai couldn't help but sigh. He knew that Qiu Tie wouldn't sit down no matter how much he asked. So he didn't force Qiu Tie. Instead, he gestured towards the bottle of juice and said, "Then at least take this juice. I took it out for you."

This time, Qiu Tie didn't decline. He bowed towards Zhao Hai and said, "Thank you, Young Master." Then he took the bottle of juice and took a sip. When he tasted the juice, Qiu Tie's eyes couldn't help but light up. He didn't think juice could be this tasty.

The Tyrant Blade Sect also grew fruit trees, so fruits weren't rare in the sect. With the Qiu Clan being one of the most prominent servant clans in the sect, they naturally have a good amount of resources. Qiu Tie has eaten a lot of fruits in his life, but has never drank fruit juice. Upon tasting fruit juice, the sweet and sour taste immediately captivated Qiu Tie. After all, he was still a child.

Forgetting about being polite, Qiu Tie focused on drinking the juice.

# Chapter 1993: Name Your Master

Looking at Qiu Tie's appearance, Zhao Hai couldn't help but laugh, "Alright, you should drink slowly. There's still a lot of juice. Come, eat these snacks." Then he took out a plate of snacks. The snack was beautifully made, it looked like a flower on a plate.

Qiu Tie couldn't help but swallow his saliva. He followed Zhao Hai for half a day and he was now famished. Seeing the snack, he couldn't help but feel hungry. But upon recalling the words of his Grandfather, he didn't dare take some.

Seeing Qiu Tie hesitate, Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Come and eat, this is an order." Qiu Tie expressed his gratitude towards Zhao Hai and then took a small piece of the snack and ate it carefully.

At this moment, Zhao Hai noticed that the 12 Eccentrics next door were using their spiritual force to observe the robots. And like Qiu Tie, the 12 Eccentrics were surprised upon seeing Zhao Hai's robots. They didn't think Zhao Hai would have puppets that specialize in housework.

Zhao Hai didn't mind them and continued to look at the robots' work. Although the courtyard was big, Zhao Hai took out 30 robots. Moreover, these were robots specifically made to do house chores. It didn't take long before the entire courtyard was showing signs of becoming clean.

Then Zhao Hai had the robots move the furniture into the room. After that, he received the table and chairs that he temporarily took out and brought Qiu Tie inside the residence.

Zhao Hai chose a main room for himself as well as a separate bedroom and quiet room. There was also a room for servants outside the bedroom. Everything has been cleaned up and furnished. Zhao Hai and Qiu Tie can now live in it.

Zhao Hai sized up his room and gave a satisfied nod. Then he took Qiu Tie to the servant's room and said, "Little Tie, you'll live here from now on. You can command the robots to clean and prepare food. They can do all the housework, there's no need for you to worry about this."

Qiu Tie complied. He was now beginning to feel how lucky he was to be Zhao Hai's servant. He doesn't have to do any hands-on chores and could even command a large group of puppets, which was very fun for a kid.

Seeing that his room was set up properly, Zhao Hai nodded. Then he looked at the courtyard and the 30 robots were still in the process of reorganizing and cleaning the courtyard. The moss on the walls were being scraped clean. The paint was also being reapplied.

Zhao Hai turned his head to Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, stay here and look after them. I'll go look at the land I'm going to farm." Qiu Tie nodded. Then Zhao Hai rode his winged horse and shot up to the sky, flying towards the foot of Lower Earth Mountain.

The piece of land assigned to Zhao Hai was clearly marked in the jade slip. It was in an open space facing the Tyrant Blade Sect at the foot of Lower Earth Mountain. The area was quite large, at about 10 mu.

As he rode his winged horse, Zhao Hai flew over the flat land and observed. He discovered that there was no less than a hundred thousand mu of arable land. Moreover, these lands should have been farmed before judging by the empty villages dotted throughout the land. Naturally, all of these lands were left uncultivated for some time.

Seeing such a huge piece of land waste like this, Zhao Hai couldn't help but feel a bit of grief. After looking around, Zhao Hai found the area that was assigned to him.

The piece of land was very good and wasn't very far from Lower Earth Mountain. But because it hasn't been cultivated for a long time, it already looked barren. If Zhao Hai wants to farm it, he would need to do a lot. At least the weeds should be removed and the land fertilized. Otherwise, nothing would grow on this land.

Zhao Hai thought for a while and then waved his hand, releasing farming robots to work the land. With only ten mu of land assigned to him, Zhao Hai didn't release too many robots, only two robots and several machines. The machines that Zhao Hai took out were high-tech products. The robots only need to press a few buttons to operate them.

After the robots and machines were released, work immediately began. Firstly, the land needs to be deeply plowed. All weeds were also broken up and turned into fertilizer. Then the land was leveled.

For those with machines, 10 mu wasn't a large piece of land. In less than three hours, the entire plot was ready for planting. Looking at the land, Zhao Hai nodded. Then he took out a bag of bamboo rice seeds and had the robot plant it. At the same time, he took out a sprinkler machine and filled it with water from the Space. After commanding the robot to water the ground, his work was almost done.

Naturally, Zhao Hai wouldn't water the plants too much. If Zhao Hai planted the seeds today and they grew tomorrow, then people might grow suspicious. So even if he fertilized the land, he couldn't make his plants grow too fast.

While Zhao Hai was farming, the 12 Eccentrics went to his courtyard. At this moment, Qiu Tie was commanding the robots to clean the courtyard. Even though Qiu Tie was young, the training he received allowed him to flawlessly command the robots.

As soon as he saw the 12 Eccentrics, Qiu Tie immediately greeted them with a bow and said, "I've seen Seniors. May I know why you came here?"

The 12 Eccentrics couldn't help but be amused when they saw Qiu Tie. One of them said, "Kid, let me ask you, is your Master a disciple of an Elder?"

Hearing this, Qiu Tie quickly replied, "I'll have to apologize to Misters. Without the Young Master's permission, I cannot disclose any of his information. Please excuse me."

As soon as they heard Qiu Tie, the Eccentrics couldn't help but frown. They also knew that this wasn't Qiu Tie talking nonsense, it was true. Servants like Qiu Tie couldn't easily disclose their Master's status. Otherwise they would be punished. And if their Master's temperament wasn't good, the servants might even get killed.

Qiu Tie was still a child, and they weren't cruel enough to embarrass him. So the person who talked before said, "When will your Master return?"

Qiu Tie shook his head and said, "This one doesn't know. The sect has given ten mu of land to my Master to farm for three years. Master went to see the land. As for when he'll come back, I can't say."

When the lead Eccentric heard this, he couldn't help but get stunned. Then he said, "Your Master is going to farm for three years? Isn't that something that people from the Soaring Dragon Realm did? Is your Master from the Soaring Dragon Realm?"

Qiu Tie has no need to hide this matter, so he nodded and said, "Right, my Master just arrived from the Soaring Dragon Realm."

The Eccentric's expression changed as he said, "Nonsense, if your Master arrived from the Soaring Dragon Realm, how could he be assigned to Lower Earth Mountain? This place is only for inner disciples."

Qiu Tie wasn't shaken by the Eccentric's outburst. He calmly replied, "Replying to Senior, my Master is truly from the Soaring Dragon Realm. But he's also an inner disciple. He already registered in the Miscellaneous Hall. If you want, you can go there and check."

Hearing Qiu Tie, the 12 Eccentrics were stunned. They looked at each other and didn't know what to say. This was the first time they heard of this situation. They weren't sure if it was true or false.

At this time, the flapping of wings were heard. Everyone looked up and saw Zhao Hai riding his winged horse. He was currently descending to the ground.

Before long, the winged horse landed on the ground. Zhao Hai quickly jumped down and cupped his fist as he said, "Senior Brothers, do you need something from this Junior Brother?"

The lead Eccentric looked at Zhao Hai with an electric gaze and said, "I heard that Junior Brother came from the Soaring Dragon Realm, but you're already an inner disciple. Is this true?"

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "It's true. Otherwise, this Junior Brother wouldn't be assigned here. Senior Brothers, now that we're neighbors, how about sharing a few cups with me?"

The lead Eccentric looked at Zhao Hai and asked, "Junior Brother, if you don't mind, can I see your identity token?"

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "I don't mind." Then he turned his hand and took out his identity token before handing it over.

The lead Eccentric looked at Zhao Hai's identity token and looked at it carefully. Then he nodded as he gave it back to Zhao Hai, "I have offended Junior Brother. Please forgive me. This is the first time we've seen this situation, so we're very curious."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "It's really nothing. Back in the Soaring Dragon Realm, I was able to make a small contribution to the sect, so I was directly promoted to the inner sect."

The lead Eccentric nodded, "May I know which Elder Junior Brother follows?"

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "It's not really a secret. But I hope that Senior Brothers don't spread it around. Otherwise, I don't know what to say to my Master."

The Eccentrics nodded. They have a feeling that Zhao Hai's status wasn't as simple as they thought. Looking at the Eccentrics, Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "This Junior Brother follows two masters. As to what my Masters' real names are, I don't know. However, people in the sect call them the Yin Yang Elders."

"Hiss!"

Upon hearing Zhao Hai, the Eccentrics couldn't help but gasp. They knew too clearly what position the Yin Yang Elders held in the Tyrant Blade Sect. They didn't expect Zhao Hai to take the two Elders as his Masters. The two Elders haven't accepted a disciple all these years. Everyone thought that the two Elders wouldn't take in a disciple. Now, without any fanfare, a disciple of the two suddenly appeared!

# Chapter 1994: The 12 Lower Earth Eccentrics

The Eccentrics looked at Zhao Hai with weird expressions. They didn't expect Zhao Hai to be the disciple of the Yin Yang Elders. In addition to their battle exploits, the two elders were also famous for not accepting disciples. In addition to having no intentions of getting disciples, the two elders also carry a very heavy killing aura. If they received a disciple, that disciple would also be affected by their aura. Once that disciple practices blade techniques, they might get overwhelmed by the killing aura and become a crazed murderer.

But now, Zhao Hai was saying that he was the disciple of the two elders. It was no surprise that the Eccentrics were stunned. The leader of the group looked at Zhao Hai and then cupped his fist as he said, "So Junior Brother is the disciple of the Yin Yang Elders, allow this Dao Shu to pay respects."

Zhao Hai also cupped his fist and said, "Senior Brother is too polite. Senior Brothers, please come in, let's share a few cups." Then he invited them into the courtyard. The Eccentrics also knew that it would be impolite to reject the invitation. At the same time, they wanted to know more about Zhao Hai, so Dao Shu accepted, "Then we'll be disturbing Junior Brother." After saying that, Dao Shu led the Eccentrics inside.

Zhao Hai designated the left side of the courtyard block as a kitchen and dining room. He brought the Eccentrics there.

Upon entering the dining room, the group was met with a huge round table. The table was covered by a white tablecloth with tableware on top. There were also two robots standing on the sides.

Zhao Hai turned to the robots and waved his hand as he said, "Bring us liquor, ten vegetable dishes, and six meat dishes." The two robots turned and left without making a sound.

After inviting the Eccentrics to sit down, Zhao Hai turned to Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, tell the robots to heat a pot of tea first. If those fellows aren't told, they won't do it."

Qiu Tie complied and immediately went to the kitchen through a nearby door. Then Zhao Hai turned his head towards Dao Shu and said, "Senior Brother, I've made you laugh."

Dao Shu smiled and said, "It's nothing. Actually, we're envious. Although we have our own servants, Lower Earth Mountain isn't a good place. Because of this, we requested the sect to take our servants back. Now we don't have anyone serving us. This is why we look like such a mess. It's us who made Junior Brother laugh. Haha."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "If Senior Brother agrees, I can send some robots to your courtyard once my place gets cleaned up. But these robots cannot fight, they can only do housework."

Dao Shu smiled and said, "Then we won't decline. If Junior Brother needs help, don't hesitate to tell us. We'll help you if we're not busy. Right, Junior Brother, if possible, you should make your little servant leave. Lower Earth Mountain is too dangerous."

Zhao Hai stared. Just as he was about to speak, Qiu Tie's voice was heard, "I won't leave Young Master. Young Master, don't drive me away. Otherwise, Grandfather will kill me." Zhao Hai turned his head to see Qiu Tie who was already sobbing. Zhao Hai quickly shook his head and said, "Don't worry, I won't chase you away. Go and see if the tea is ready." Hearing Zhao Hai, Qiu Tie gave a bright smile before turning around and running. Zhao Hai turned his head towards Dao Shu and sighed, "It seems like that won't happen. By the way, Senior Brother Shu, I don't know the names of the other Senior Brothers yet. I'll have to trouble you to introduce them to me."

Hearing Zhao Hai, Dao Shu couldn't help but pat his head as he said, "Look at me, I actually forgot to introduce everyone. Alright, let me introduce you. These are my Younger Brothers. All of us came from the same mother. My father didn't expect to have so many children. Later on, when they saw that there's twelve of us, they changed our names. My name is Dao Shu, this is my second brother Dao Niu, my third brother Dao Hu, fourth brother Dao Tu, fifth brother Dao Long, sixth brother Dao She, seventh brother Dao Ma, eighth brother Dao Yang, ninth brother Dao Hou, tenth brother Dao Ji, eleventh brother Dao Gou, and twelfth brother Dao Zhu."

Zhao Hai looked at the 12 brothers and said polite words. He couldn't help but commend the father of the twelve. He was courageous enough to change the name of his children to the twelve chinese zodiacs.

The 12 brothers don't think that their names lost them face. In fact, with how strange the names of people were in the True Spirit Realm, their names were actually common.

After the introduction, Dao Shu opened his mouth and said, "Our Dao Clan is a huge family from Flowing Flower City that the Tyrant Blade Sect governs. Our Ancestors once served as an elder in the Tyrant Blade Sect. However, when he took the oath, there were no decent successors in the clan. Because of this, our relationship with the Tyrant Blade Sect has been a bit distant. But when we 12 brothers became inner disciples of the sect, the clan's relationship with the Tyrant Blade Sect became closer."

Zhao Hai was aware that the Tyrant Blade Sect governed no less than ten thousand large and small cities. Flowing Flower City was a mid-grade city located right by the Flowing Flower River. The city was famous for peach blossom wine and peach blossom perch. There are plenty of peach blossom trees on both sides of the river. Every year, when the peach blossoms fall, the petals would fall into the river, causing the river to smell like peach blossoms. Peach blossom wine was made from this river water. Peach blossom wine was mellow and soft with a tangy aroma. It's a famous wine in the True Spirit Realm.

At the same time, perch fishes that live in the river would eat the fallen peach blossoms. Whenever they go back to the sea to mate, they would eat peach blossoms along the way. Because of this, the meat of the perch would have the aroma of peach blossoms. It was also tender and delicious, making it a rare delicacy.

At this moment, Qiu Tie led a robot inside the dining room. The robot was holding a tray with a heated pot of tea as well as two rows of teacups. After placing the pot of tea on the table, the robot gave everyone their teacups and poured them tea.

Once everyone was served tea, the robot went to the side. Zhao Hai held his teacup as he looked at the 12 Eccentrics and said, "Senior Brothers, me coming to Lower Earth Mountain should be fate. Let this Junior Brother offer you a cup of tea."

Dao Shu smiled and said, "Then we'll taste brother's tea today." After saying that, he drank from his teacup and closed his eyes. Before long, Dao Shu nodded and said, "Good tea, the fragrance is mellow but not very strong. Very good tea."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and took a sip from his teacup. To be honest, the tea made by the robot wasn't anything to him. This was because the tea made by the robot lacked the trace of spiritual qi, unlike tea made by hand.

Dao Shu sipped from his teacup before putting it down. Then he looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Junior Brother Zhao, you said that you made a contribution in the Soaring Dragon Realm, which promoted you to the inner sect. Can you tell us what this contribution is?"

Hearing Dao Shu, Zhao Hai replied, "I'm afraid I cannot tell you." Zhao Hai truly cannot inform Dao Shu about what he did. He told Dao Shu about his relationship with the Yin Yang Elders because it wouldn't matter if word got out. If people heard about this, then they might only think that Zhao Hai was lucky. But if Zhao Hai told Dao Shu and the others that he has exterminated an entire realm, then troubles might appear in the Tyrant Blade Sect.

Hearing Zhao Hai, Dao Shu gave an awkward smile as he said, "I've overreached. I apologize."

Zhao Hai shook his head and said, "It's fine. My Masters forbade me from talking about this. So I can't tell anyone."

Dao Shu waved his hand and said, "Alright, then let's forget it." At this time, the robots began bringing the liquor and the dishes. Then Zhao Hai got busy giving toasts to everyone at the table.

The group drank until it was late, then Dao Shu and his brothers returned to their residence. After Dao Shu and the others left, Zhao Hai commanded the robots to clean up the dining room before he went to rest.

Zhao Hai entered his bedroom while Qiu Tie went to the servant's room. Although Zhao Hai went to bed and closed his eyes, he didn't actually sleep. Instead, he was monitoring Dao Shu and the others through the Space.

Dao Shu was too curious about Zhao Hai. When they first met, he didn't talk to him at all. But later on, it seemed like he wanted to know everything about Zhao Hai. Feeling that something was strange, Zhao Hai wanted to see what they were up to.

And Zhao Hai didn't guess wrong. When Dao Shu and his brothers returned to their courtyard block, they didn't sleep immediately. Instead, they gathered around in their common room. Dao Ma looked at Dao Shu and said, "Brother, you shouldn't have asked all those questions. It's hard for a person to come here. If you scare Zhao Hai away, then we'll be left alone on this mountain."

Dao Shu forced a smile and said, "I don't want to ask too much either. But I don't know anything else to talk about. With our reputation, nobody would reach out to us. Now, after seeing someone, I naturally want to talk to them more."

Then Dao Zhu replied, "Brother, what should we do if Zhao Hai gets scared away by us? Master ordered us to make a friend. Otherwise, Master will expel us from the sect."

Dao Shu became quiet and could only force a smile. On the other hand, Zhao Hai was happy when he heard this. He didn't expect to see such people here. Dao Shu and the others were naturally not very good at communicating with people. They were a group of cultivation addicts. Zhao Hai also noticed that although they were covered with beards, Dao Shu and the others weren't that old. They were also stronger than Lin Ling. The only thing they knew was to practice. So when it came to communicating with people, they would have certain problems.

And then there's their strange appearances. No wonder they couldn't make any friends. Their master clearly noticed this point, so he threatened them with expulsion unless they made a friend.

But with how long they have stayed in the desolate Lower Earth Mountain, communication became their greatest weakness.

Upon finding that the 12 Eccentrics had no ill intentions, Zhao Hai let the matter go. He took out a jade slip and read its contents. This jade slip wasn't from the Blade Pavilion but instead the jade slip he received from the Miscellaneous Hall. Inside was an introduction to the Tyrant Blade Sect as well as the cultivation levels in the True Spirit Realm. This information should have been learned when one was a serving disciple or an outer disciple, but now it was in the hands of an inner disciple. But there was no other way about it. Although Zhao Hai was an inner disciple, he was a newcomer to the True Spirit Realm.

Zhao Hai first memorized the rules of the Tyrant Blade Sect. Before, he only looked through the rules to see the overall situation. But looking at it now, the Tyrant Blade Sect seems to not have many rules. But there was one thing that must never be violated, and that was to kill fellow sect disciples. This rule was written at the very top. This showed how much importance the Tyrant Blade Sect placed upon its disciples.

After memorizing the sect's rules, Zhao Hai focused on the cultivation stages of the True Spirit Realm. Before this, the only stage Zhao Hai was aware of was the lowest Rebirth Stage. He didn't know the succeeding stages. Now, there was a detailed introduction provided in the jade slip.

In the True Spirit Realm, cultivation was divided into 9 stages. The first stage was Rebirth. This process actually refers to when a person from the Soaring Dragon Realm enters the cleansing pool to rid their body of toxins.

The second stage of cultivation was called Condensed Avatar. When Immortal Cultivators enter the True Spirit Realm, they would find that the laws of the realm forbade their dao avatars from coming out. On the second stage, one would need to condense their dao avatar to fit the laws of the True Spirit Realm. To enter the peak of the Condensed Avatar stage, a cultivator would need to condense a dao avatar the same size as their body. And it must look like a person, to the point that people won't be able to tell that it was a dao avatar.

The third stage was called the Clone stage. The Clone stage was closely related to the second stage. The Clone stage refers to cultivating one's dao avatar to the point where it would also be able to cultivate. It would essentially become a clone, thus the name of the stage.

The fourth stage was called the Fusion Stage. The description of the Fusion stage was very simple, and that was to fuse one's clone with their main body. One might think that it was going around in circles, but it was actually not. Once fusion between the clone and the main body was achieved, the cultivator would experience a very sharp increase in spiritual qi, spiritual force, and soul strength. At the same time, the cultivator's cultivation speed would increase. And during battles, the cultivator would be able to absorb spiritual qi while attacking the enemy due to the increase in soul strength. This meant that the cultivator would be more durable during battle.

# Chapter 1995: Dangerous Space Breaker

The fifth stage was called Earth Monarch. To reach this level, the cultivator needs to thoroughly understand the methods of Soul Fusion and practice it to the highest level. When a cultivator reaches this stage, dust won't even fall on their body. It was also at this stage that a cultivator could stop eating.

The sixth stage was called Teleportation. Just by looking at the name, one could immediately know what this stage was about. Reaching this stage, the cultivator would be able to make an instant movement over a short distance. It's also at this stage that the cultivator would be able to fly.

The seventh stage is called Diamond Body. At this level, the body would undergo a transformation and become indestructible. Ordinary attacks would have no effect. As long as the body doesn't suffer fatal injuries, it can recover almost immediately. Even internal damage would be cured.

The eight stage is called Condensing Spirit. Condensing Spirit refers to the solidification of spiritual force. Once spiritual force becomes solid, the cultivator could condense their spiritual force to be as indestructible as diamond. At this stage, the cultivator would be able to achieve the state of mind beyond body. If a Condensing Spirit cultivator suffers an irrecoverable injury, they could separate their soul from their body to keep themselves alive.

The ninth stage was called the Space Breaker. Space Breaker cultivators can break open the void to ascend, but this can only be done at its peak. Ordinary ninth-stage cultivators could only break through the realm's space. That was to say that if Zhao Hai uses his divergent ability, a Space Breaker cultivator would be able to tear open the space and catch Zhao Hai. Naturally, this was only when Zhao Hai used an ordinary spatial divergent ability. If Zhao Hai uses the Space itself, then it is still unknown if Space Breaker Cultivators would be able to break through it.

When Zhao Hai saw the description of the Space Breaker stage, his complexion couldn't help but change. The True Spirit Realm has people who can break open the void. This might mean that they can reach the Space. If this was the case, how can Zhao Hai protect himself?

The Space was Zhao Hai's biggest secret as well as his biggest advantage. If the Space was discovered, Zhao Hai's final ace would be exposed. When the time comes, he wouldn't have anywhere to hide.

Everything that Zhao Hai saw would naturally be seen by Cai'er. Seeing this, Cai'er immediately said, "Young Master, if there are really experts who can break through the void, then we would need to make preparations. What do you think?"

Zhao Hai nodded, "We must prepare. Cai'er, go look and see if the Space has any defensive measures. If there is, let's see if it has been upgraded as well."

Cai'er complied. Then she closed her eyes and recalled the Space's capabilities after the upgrade. After some time, Cai'er's expression lit up. She opened her eyes and looked at Zhao Hai, "Young Master, there's actually a solution. Now that the Space has upgraded, it has reached the standard of the True Spirit Realm. Therefore, it cannot be detected by the cultivators of the realm. The Space's defensive measures have also been upgraded. Even if someone breaks open the void, without your permission, they wouldn't be able to get past the Five Elements Killing Formation and the Stellar Transformations Killing Formation."

"They would also be trapped by the Vermillion Bird Stamp and the Black Tortoise Stamp. The two stamps have independent subspaces inside that have been developed by the Space. The subspaces also have their own Five Elements Killing Formation and Stellar Transformations Killing Formation."

When he heard Cai'er, Zhao Hai nodded, "Activate the formations all the time. We can't neglect this matter." Cai'er complied and left to prepare.

Although Zhao Hai was lying on his bed, his heart couldn't calm itself down for some time. Knowing that there were people who could break open the void in the True Spirit Realm gave him a true sense of crisis.

Before long, Cai'er returned to update Zhao Hai about the activation of the formations. It was only then that Zhao Hai relaxed. With the Five Element Killing Formation and the Stellar Transformations Killing Formation, the Space would be safe.

Zhao Hai has no intention to sleep, but he wasn't looking at jade slips. Instead, he practiced his spiritual qi. He knew that no matter which realm, only strength could provide absolute safety. As long as he's strong enough, it wouldn't matter if the Space was revealed. Take the Great Realm of Cultivation, for example, even if Zhao Hai revealed that he has the Space, who would dare touch him? They won't have the guts.

The night silently passed. The next morning, Qiu Tie got up early. He wasn't like other kids who hated getting out of bed. Because he was trained since he was small, he knows that he has to wake up earlier than his Master.

Unfortunately for Qiu Tie, Zhao Hai didn't need to sleep. Because of this, Zhao Hai was up much earlier than Qiu Tie. When Qiu Tie went to Zhao Hai's room, he discovered that Zhao Hai wasn't there. Qiu Tie panicked and hastily ran outside to see Zhao Hai practicing in the courtyard.

Upon knowing that techniques also have their own thinking, Zhao Hai decided to relearn all of his techniques so that he could communicate with them. Then he would practice the techniques to their pinnacle.

What Zhao Hai was practicing right now was one of the 18 Buddhist Techniques, the Crouching Tiger Fist Technique. The Crouching Tiger Fist was a very powerful set of movements. By communicating with the technique, Zhao Hai discovered that his prior mastery of it was merely surface-level. He hasn't learned the essence of the technique.

After practicing for a while, Zhao Hai finally discovered Qiu Tie. Zhao Hai reigned in his fist qi and then turned his head. Qiu Tie was in front of the door looking anxiously at him.

Seeing Zhao Hai stop practicing, Qiu Tie immediately knelt down and said while weeping, "I've offended the Young Master. I got up late. Please punish me."

Looking at Qiu Tie's appearance, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare, then he immediately understood what was going on. He smiled bitterly and said, "Alright, Little Tie, get up. There's so many robots in this

place, so there's no need for you to take care of everything. Also, unlike me, you don't cultivate. I need less sleep than you. Naturally, it's impossible for you to wake up earlier than me. And don't kneel down all the time. Alright, go next door and ask Brother Dao and the others to come over and eat breakfast. Wash your face before you go, nobody wants to see a crying child."

Upon hearing Zhao Hai, Qiu Tie stood up and happily nodded. Then he ran to a nearby bathroom and quickly washed his face before leaving.

The courtyard block was arranged according to Zhao Hai's preferences. In addition to the dining room, kitchen, and living room, there are also special bathrooms that conform to modern standards. It was very convenient to use.

Seeing Qiu Tie go over to the next door to call the Eccentrics over, Zhao Hai couldn't help but chuckle. Then he cleaned himself up. Before long, Dao Shu and the others entered the courtyard along with Qiu Tie.

Zhao Hai cupped his fist towards Dao Shu and the others and said, "Senior Brothers, you no longer have any servants. And unlike other mountains, Lower Earth Mountain doesn't have its own dining hall. So if you want to eat, you can come over and have the robots cook you some food."

When Dao Shu heard Zhao Hai, he knew that Zhao Hai wasn't offended because of yesterday's matter. His heart couldn't help but relax. Then he quickly said, "Alright, we really hate preparing food. We'll have to impose ourselves on Junior Brother in the future."

Zhao Hai laughed and said, "You're always welcome. Right, Senior Brother, your hair and beards are so long, do you plan on keeping them? If you want, the robots can trim your beard and hair for you. By the way, if you don't mind, there are also clothes here that you can wear. If I may be blunt, the robes you're wearing right now don't look very comfortable."

Zhao Hai wasn't worried that his impolite words would offend Dao Shu and the others. These eccentrics were too isolated that Zhao Hai might get misunderstood if he didn't get to the point.

Sure enough, when they heard Zhao Hai, Dao Shu and the others weren't offended. Instead, Dao Shu happily replied, "That will be fantastic. We'll have to trouble Junior Brother."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "It's no trouble. The robots are built for these things." After he said that, Zhao Hai assigned 12 robots to the Eccentrics. He also took out chairs for the Eccentrics to sit on while the robots trimmed their hair and beard.

Dao Shu and the others sat on the chairs, but they were somewhat nervous as they looked at the robots. From time to time, scissors, razors, and other things popped out of the hands of the robots. They busied themselves on the faces of the Eccentrics for some time.

Zhao Hai was at the side looking at all of this. Once the robots finished trimming the hair of the eccentrics, he couldn't help but be surprised. He didn't expect the 12 Eccentrics to look so clean once their hair was trimmed.

The 12 Eccentrics were close to each other when it came to height. The lines of their faces were very clear, showing the face of fearless men. The robots trimmed their hair and beard to conform with the contour of their faces, making them look very fierce.

Zhao Hai gave a satisfied nod. Then he waved his hand, causing 12 clothes to appear in the hands of the robots. These clothes were made out of leather. Then he looked at Dao Shu and the others and said, "Senior Brothers, these are the clothes I have. Please try them on."

Dao Shu and the others didn't decline. They went to the bathroom one by one and changed. The 12 looked very satisfied when they wore their new clothes. They could feel the kindness and sincerity in Zhao Hai's actions, which made them happy.

# Chapter 1996: Special Task

Twelve big men with huge blades on their backs, wearing leather vests, leather trousers, leather boots, and hair trimmed to an inch long. They were the very definition of fierce.

Zhao Hai looked at Dao Shu and the others who had basically transformed and showed a satisfied smile. Then he said, "Senior Brothers, how is it? Are the clothes alright?"

Dao Shu gave Zhao Hai a grateful look as he cupped his fist and said, "Junior Brother, Senior Brother won't say much. After so many years, you're the only one who seriously treated us as friends. I won't

thank you too much, but from now on you're our blood brother. As long as you need us, even if we go through a sea of fire, we won't frown."

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly. He felt that he had swindled Dao Shu and the others. But he could feel the sincerity in Dao Shu's words, so he replied, "Senior Brothers, you're too polite. Let's go eat a meal."

Dao Shu and the others didn't decline and entered the dining room with Zhao Hai. Breakfast was already prepared on the table. The breakfast was very simple. They ate rice porridge with side dishes.

After eating their meal, Zhao Hai looked at Dao Shu and the others and said, "Senior Brothers, I'm going down the mountain. But I'll be back in a while. You can keep staying here if you want."

As soon as they heard this, Dao Shu immediately asked, "Junior Brother, do you need us to accompany you? The lands surrounding Lower Earth Mountain aren't safe. Beasts would wander here once in a while."

Zhao Hai replied, "I'm fine. I just planted my seeds yesterday. Beasts shouldn't have found it, right? If there's no damage, I'll go to the Miscellaneous Hall. There's no need for you to accompany me."

Dao Shu nodded and said, "Alright, but be careful. If there's an emergency, you must send a signal. We'll immediately come over and help." Zhao Hai nodded and then took Qiu Tie with him to the winged horses before flying down the mountain.

Before long, Zhao Hai arrived at his ten mu of land. Seeing that there was no damage to the land, he didn't descend and instead changed directions and headed towards the Miscellaneous Hall.

Zhao Hai wanted to go to the Miscellaneous Hall to discuss something with them. He wanted to see if they could give him all of the land under Lower Earth Mountain. This way, he could grow bamboo rice and bread trees there.

It's not that Zhao Hai wanted to have a large tract of land. Instead, he wants to use this method to attract more people to Lower Earth Mountain. The more people there are, the safer the mountain would be. Then he would be able to practice with a peace of mind.

Zhao Hai knew that for the beasts of Black Dragon Mountain to drive the cultivators away from Lower Earth Mountain, they would have to be strong beasts. Zhao Hai needs to spend a period of time to adapt to the True Spirit Realm. At the same time, he wants to use this time to practice. But if those beasts always came to cause trouble, then he wouldn't be able to cultivate in peace. Therefore, Zhao Hai thought that if he could improve the environment around Lower Earth Mountain, then people might return. When the time comes, even if the beasts attack, Zhao Hai wouldn't need to worry. These people would help him block the beasts.

Also, seeing a large empty land made Zhao Hai uncomfortable. So he thought of going to the Miscellaneous Hall to ask if he could farm the entire land.

Although Qiu Tie wasn't aware of what Zhao Hai wanted to do, he didn't ask. In the end, he was still a child. It's impossible for him to guess what was inside Zhao Hai's mind.

After flying nonstop for five hours, Zhao Hai finally arrived at the Miscellaneous Hall. He parked his winged horses on the square and allowed the servant to hang a wooden plate on the horses. Then he led Qiu Tie inside the Miscellaneous Hall.

To be honest, Zhao Hai has no idea how to go about his task. This was his first time trying to request land. He didn't know which floor he should go to.

Looking at the cultivators coming and going in the first floor, Zhao Hai couldn't help but knit his brows. Then he took Qiu Tie to the Task Counter. Like in the Soaring Dragon Realm, there were female cultivators handling the tasks. There was also a projection on the wall showing all available tasks.

Zhao Hai looked through the tasks and wasn't able to see any tasks regarding Lower Earth Mountain. However, he still stood in line to ask the female cultivator on the counter about where he should go to request for land.

Before long, the cultivators in front of Zhao Hai left. Zhao Hai arrived at the counter and gave the female cultivator a smile before asking, "Junior Sister, my name is Zhao Hai and I'm currently living on Lower Earth Mountain. I just want to ask about the large land at the foot of the mountain. I saw that the soil quality is very good and is suitable for farming. However, nobody is using it right now. I want to make use of that land. I wonder where I can process this matter?"

Hearing Zhao Hai, the female cultivator couldn't help but stare. She looked at Zhao Hai and asked, "Senior Brother, did I mishear? You said that you want to farm the land under Lower Earth Mountain? Don't you know the situation of that place?"

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "I'm aware. Because of Black Dragon Mountain, beasts frequently cause trouble. But I still want to try. Do you know where I need to go?"

The female cultivator looked at Zhao Hai as though he was a madman. After some time, she answered, "You can proceed with the formalities with me. There's a task for that piece of land. Anyone who takes the task will get the land for free. And all of the harvests will belong to you. There's no need to hand a percentage to the sect. Is that alright?"

Zhao Hai stared, he didn't expect there to be such favorable conditions. He quickly answered, "There's no problem. I'll take this task. So I can farm the land under Lower Earth Mountain as much as I want?"

The female cultivator nodded, "You can farm everything you can manage. Right, this task has no time limit. In other words, as long as you're alive or as long as you stay in Lower Earth Mountain, the lands under the mountain will be yours. Naturally, you can't own Lower Earth Mountain. However, you can claim a peak for yourself in the mountain. Without your permission, others cannot enter that peak."

Zhao Hai was ecstatic. He immediately said, "Alright, then I want the first peak."

The female cultivator nodded, "Senior Brother, I'll need your identity token for registration." Zhao Hai took out his blade token and handed it to the female cultivator. Then the female cultivator took out a jade slip to register Zhao Hai.

Once the registration was finished, the female cultivator returned the blade token to Zhao Hai and said, "Senior Brother, it's done." Zhao Hai gave his thanks to the female cultivator and then left the hall with Qiu Tie.

The people around them also heard Zhao Hai talking about the task. They looked over at Zhao Hai with curiosity. They didn't expect Zhao Hai to take up the task. Some of them even looked at Zhao Hai with ridicule. They looked at him like he was an idiot.

Zhao Hai didn't care about what others thought. He brought Qiu Tie out of the building and then left for Yin-Yang Peak after paying for the parking.

Zhao Hai wanted to go to Yin-Yang Peak to update the Yin Yang Elders about his decision. To be honest, farming the land under Lower Earth Mountain was made with the intention of helping the Tyrant Blade Sect defend against Black Dragon Mountain. After all, he was now a person of the Tyrant Blade Sect, so he has to consider the sect in his future actions.

The winged horses were very fast. After one hour, Zhao Hai arrived at Yin-Yang Peak. Zhao Hai didn't ride his horses directly up the mountain, he thinks that it would be disrespectful. Therefore, he got down the winged horses at the foot of the mountain. Then he led Qiu Tie up the mountain path.

Zhao Hai wasn't afraid that his winged horses would be seen. This was because beasts were quite common in the Great Realm of Cultivation. And these beasts could be placed inside special beast bags to hibernate. So when he used the winged horses, nobody would suspect that he took them out from the Space.

It didn't take long before Zhao Hai and Qiu Tie reached the Yin Yang Elders' residence. Yin-Yang Peak wasn't very tall. It was less than a kilometer high. The mountain wasn't very special. If it weren't for the Yin Yang Elders occupying it, nobody would know about the mountain.

Zhao Hai didn't bother to knock and opened the gate of the residence. When he entered, he saw Qiu Zhen cleaning the courtyard. Actually, the courtyard was already clean. However, Qiu Zhen was someone who can't endure doing nothing. So he always looked for things he could do.

Hearing the gate opening, Qiu Zhen raised his head. Upon seeing Zhao Hai and Qiu Tie right behind, Qiu Zhen immediately stood up and said, "I have seen the Young Master."

Zhao Hai waved his hand and said, "Uncle Zhen is too polite. Are my Masters free? I have something to tell them."

Before Qiu Zhen could reply, the Yin Elder's voice was heard, "Come to the living room."

Zhao Hai gave a nod. Then he turned to Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, you go and accompany your grandfather for a moment while I go inside." After saying that, he left Qiu Tie in the courtyard and entered the living room.

When Zhao Hai entered the room, Qiu Zhen pulled Qiu Tie over and said, "Little Tie, how is your master treating you? Have you been obedient?"

Qiu Tie nodded and said, "Grandfather can rest assured. Master is very good to me. I'm also very obedient. Grandfather, you don't know this, but master has a lot of puppets that can do housework. I only need to relay the Young Master's orders and the puppets will do the chores for me."

Qiu Zhen was stunned, "Puppets? He let puppets do housework?"

Qiu Tie nodded, "Yes. However, the Young Master's puppets aren't for battle. They can only do housework. Also, those fellows are very stupid. They only do what they're told."

Hearing Qiu Tie, Qiu Zhen relaxed, then he said, "Little Tie, you have to be a good kid and obey your Young Master. You must not be lazy. Work with your hands and feet. And don't forget, you're your Master's servant......" Qiu Zhen began to preach to Qiu Tie, who kept nodding his head.

Chapter 1997: Going Beyond Expectations

When Zhao Hai entered the room, he saw the Yin Yang Elders already sitting inside. He cupped his fist towards the two elders and said, "I have seen Masters."

The Yin Yang Elders nodded. Then the Yin Elder said, "Little Hai, have you settled well?"

Zhao Hai replied, "I'm doing well. Master can rest assured. I came here today to give a report. I took up the task to farm all the lands under Lower Earth Mountain."

Hearing Zhao Hai, the Yin Yang Elders couldn't help but stare. But their expression didn't show any trace of anger. Instead, the Yin Elder nodded and said, "Tell me why."

Zhao Hai answered, "Yes. This disciple is thinking that since I'm settled in Lower Earth Mountain, then I should take responsibility for it. There aren't a lot of people on the mountain right now, which gives the beasts a lot of opportunities to cause trouble. So I was thinking that if we can plant crops on the land under the mountain, then people might get attracted to live in it. Once this happens, the security around Lower Earth Mountain would gradually increase. This disciple wants to focus on cultivation. If the beasts keep causing trouble, then I won't be able to get any time of peace. So whether it's for me or the sect, this matter needs to be taken care of."

The more they listened to Zhao Hai the brighter the Yin Yang Elders' eyes became. In the end, the Yin Elder nodded and said, "Good, that's a good plan. But Little Hai, haven't you thought about moving to another place?"

Zhao Hai shook his head and replied, "I have no intentions of moving. From the beginning, a cultivator practices in order to change their fate. A small matter such as the beasts of Black Dragon Mountain isn't something I have to be afraid of. If I'm scared of every danger I face, a seed of doubt will grow in my heart. When it sprouts, my future will be cut off."

"Good! Well said!" The Yang Elder exclaimed as he stood up, "Little Hai, you might have already guessed, but we arranged for you to go to Lower Earth Mountain. We want to see how you'll handle it. Very good, you exceeded our expectations."

Zhao Hai cupped his fist but didn't say anything. The Yang Elder looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Little Hai, about your cultivation, what plans do you have?"

Zhao Hai replied, "I found that I have good comprehension regarding blade techniques, so I went to the Blade Pavillion and selected five blade techniques from the third floor. The techniques are the Rolling Rocks Blade, Goldentip Blade, Ice Cold Blade, Fallen Leaves Blade, and the Wisteria Blade."

"This disciple also used 500 jade essences to exchange for other manuals from the first floor. The manuals are the Primal Chaos Method, Windborn Movement Technique, Sealing Blade, Beating Waves Fist, and Crumbling Mountain Kicking Technique."

"I chose these basic techniques to see the standards of the True Spirit Realm's cultivation methods, fist techniques, movement techniques, and kicking techniques. If these basic techniques are better than those in the Great Realm of Cultivation, then disciple might consider switching. And the reason why I chose different attributes for my blade techniques is because I want to see if I can practice them. If so,

I'll be able to practice other blade techniques if I don't like what I chose. I also found that I could understand the blade more if I used this method."

Zhao Hai's words were half real and half fake. He has long known that he could practice all attributes of the blade. However, he didn't mention it to the Yin Yang Elders. He just said that he would try.

The Yang Elder already sat back down. Hearing Zhao Hai, he couldn't help but turn his head at the Yin Elder who was also looking at him. Both of them had a look of approval on their eyes. They guessed that Zhao Hai had an Innate Dao Body. Those with Innate Dao Bodies could practice any technique. Zhao Hai might be a nobody in the True Spirit Realm, but he was a peak expert before he ascended. Experts like him have their own understanding regarding cultivation. Because of this, when they ascended to the True Spirit Realm, they weren't taught using methods used for True Spirit Realm natives. Sometimes, it would be easy for these ascendants to comprehend on their own.

Zhao Hai naturally has his own understanding regarding cultivation. For the Yin Yang Elders, this was a good thing. They only need to ensure Zhao Hai's safety. There was no need for them to micromanage him.

At the same time, the two elders were surprised at Zhao Hai's ability. From accepting Zhao Hai as a disciple to the present, the two didn't teach Zhao Hai a lot. However, Zhao Hai was able to rely on his own analysis to find a suitable method for him to practice. The two Elders were more convinced that taking Zhao Hai as a disciple wasn't in vain.

The Yin Elder nodded and said, "Very good. You're doing quite well. Actually, Little Hai, we have something we haven't told you. We think that you have an Innate Dao Body."

Zhao Hai looked at the Yin Elder with a puzzled look. Then the Yin Elder explained what an Innate Dao Body was as well as its importance. In the end, he added, "We haven't told you this because we're afraid of accidentally spreading this matter. You should be aware that if this information goes out, other sects would do their best to get rid of you. So don't tell anyone else about this in the future. Also, whenever you fight, don't use more than five types of blade techniques. Do you understand?"

Actually, when the Yin Elder explained to Zhao Hai what an Innate Dao Body was, Zhao Hai was stunned. He felt that the Yin Yang Elders might have misunderstood but at the same time he felt that they had not. His body was the same as the Innate Dao Body but it was different. Innate Dao Bodies were born, but Zhao Hai's Dao Body wasn't. He can use these different attribute techniques because of his different divergent abilities. At the same time, the toxins in Zhao Hai's body had been removed when he communicated with all kinds of things. It can be said that Zhao Hai's Innate Dao Body was created not born.

Zhao Hai hasn't seen the real Innate Dao Body, but he could truly practice all cultivation methods and blade techniques. He also has the Space, making his situation very special. He couldn't explain to the Yin Yang Elders why his body was special. But since the two Elders already identified him as someone with an Innate Dao Body, then this would make it more convenient for Zhao Hai's future cultivation.

At the same time, he could understand the efforts of the two Elders. His body was fairly the same as an Innate Dao Body. If someone found out about his situation, then they would definitely do their best to eliminate him. Zhao Hai doesn't want to constantly worry about being assassinated. So he would definitely let this information stop with him.

Seeing Zhao Hai nod, the Yin Yang Elders relaxed. Then the Yin Elder said, "You said that you took the Lower Earth Mountain task and claimed a peak for yourself? I'll have people go over and clear out that peak. It will be yours from now on. By the way, wanting such a huge piece of land, can you farm all of it? Remember, your main focus should be practicing. Don't delay your cultivation for miscellaneous things."

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Master can rest assured, it won't delay my cultivation."

The Yin Yang Elders nodded. Then the Yang Elder said, "I heard that you're living with Lower Earth Mountain's 12 Eccentrics. How are they? Is your relationship with them good?"

Zhao Hai nodded, "They've been very good. They're not really that eccentric. They just don't know how to get along with other people. But I have been able to befriend them."

The Yang Elder was surprised by this. But he moved on and asked, "What about the puppets that Little Tie is talking about? Where did you get so many puppets?"

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Replying to Master. Those aren't actually puppets, they're robots I brought from the lower realm. These robots cannot fight. And even if they did, they're extremely weak. In the True Spirit Realm, the only thing they could do is basic chores like farming and housework. These robots are the reason why I'm confident that I could farm the lands under Lower Earth Mountain. I also have construction robots that could help build." Upon hearing Zhao Hai, the Yin Elder's eyes lit up, "This, is it possible to leave one of your robots behind?"

ZHao Hai didn't even hesitate as he agreed, "Yes, I think Uncle Zhen has been working too hard. I'll leave behind houseworking robots so that Uncle Zhen won't tire himself too much. He can command those robots to do housework. One robot would be enough to help him. As for the rest, I'll leave them to you to manage." As he said that, Zhao Hai waved his hand and took out five robots and placed them inside a spatial bag before handing it over to the Yin Elder.

The Yin Elder looked at the five robots with a bright look in his eyes. He received the spatial bag that Zhao Hai handed over and nodded, "Alright, if there's nothing else, you can go. By the way, if you have time, take care of that kid Qiu Tie. And if it's possible, teach him how to cultivate."

Zhao Hai nodded, "Master doesn't have to worry. I was planning to teach him. After heading back, I will test his spiritual roots and then teach him how to cultivate."

The Yin Elder nodded, "Right, take out your blade token and place it on your body. At this moment, you aren't very strong. If you encounter a powerful beast and the blade token is inside a spatial item, it wouldn't be able to protect you. Take it outside to keep yourself safe."

Zhao Hai complied and took out his blade token and tied it to his waist. In fact, plenty of Tyrant Blade Sect disciples have blade qi in their tokens to protect their lives .

Seeing that Zhao Hai had prepared well, the Yin Elder nodded and said, "You can go. Pay attention to yourself. If there's anything that you don't understand, don't hesitate to come over. At the same time, look for more jade slips regarding the True Spirit Realm to learn more." Zhao Hai nodded. Then he cupped his fist towards the two elders before leaving.

Looking at Zhao Hai's departure, the Yin Elder let out a sigh and said, "This kid is too talented. It seems like in the future his achievements will surpass ours."

The Yang Elder laughed and said, "Isn't that a good thing? Right, brother, why do you care about Little Hai's robots? Do you want to hand them over to the Puppet Hall? Although the robots can do delicate work, they are too weak."

The Yin Elder replied, "Our Puppet Hall isn't that developed. The sect doesn't really care about puppets. Also, information about puppets couldn't be easily found. Although these puppets aren't very strong, their production method is very unique. Have the Puppet Hall take them apart and study. Maybe they can learn something."

The Yang Elder nodded, then his eyes suddenly lit up as he said, "Brother, do you think we should arrange Little Hai to stay in that place for a while? I remember that kid Lin Ling saying that Little Hai isn't only strong, but he also knows about refining artifacts and pills."

The Yin Elder shook his head and said, "No, at least not now. Little Hai needs to get stronger. Although the sect places great importance to pills and artifacts, all of these can't compare to personal strength. If Little Hai becomes stronger, then we might consider it. But now, we can't afford to delay him."

The Yang Elder thought that it was correct, so he no longer dwelled on it. Then he asked, "Brother, Lower Earth Mountain is very dangerous. Little Hai might not be able to withstand it. Do we have any way to help him?"

The Yin Elder thought about it for a moment before he said, "Let's pay attention to Lower Earth Mountain for now. Let's have Little Qiu go to the Miscellaneous Hall and ask for two portable transmission formations. Let's also build an alarm system at Lower Earth Mountain. So if too many beasts attack, we can give support immediately. What do you think?"

The Yang Elder nodded, "Alright, I'll take care of it. We should at least guarantee some of his safety. Little Qiu, come in."

Qiu Zhen complied and walked in. Then the Yang Elder said, "Little Qiu, go to the sect later and ask for two portable transmission formations. I will order them to bring it to you. You only need to receive them."

Qiu Zhen nodded, then he turned around and left. At the same time, he couldn't help but let out a sigh of relief. He knew that the reason why the Yin Yang Elders asked for portable transmission formations was because of Zhao Hai. This was to ensure that Zhao Hai was safe. And if Zhao Hai was safe, then Qiu Tie would be safe as well.
## Chapter 1998: Beast Attack

Zhao Hai and Qiu Tie sat on a winged horse and flew back to Lower Earth Mountain. Zhao Hai discovered that Qiu Tie wasn't as excited to ride the winged horse as before. He had a rare look of reluctance on his face. Zhao Hai couldn't help but sigh. He knew that Qiu Tie was feeling homesick. In the end, Qiu Tie was still five years old. If this was back on earth, kids of this age would be the darlings of their parents. They would never allow their kid to serve someone. But in the True Spirit Realm, kids like Qiu Tie were already at the age to work. It can even be said that he has become a pawn for the development of his clan.

Zhao Hai was well aware that although his status in the Tyrant Blade Sect wasn't high at this time, he would definitely become one of the more famous people in the sect due to the identity of the Yin Yang Elders. He might even get some influence in the sect.

With Qiu Tie being placed at his side by Qiu Zhen, Qiu Tie's influence in the sect would also increase in the future. When the water rises, the boat rises with it, and this was the goal that the Qiu Clan was aiming for.

So seeing Qie Tie's reluctance to go, Zhao Hai didn't say anything. He also couldn't send Qiu Tie back to the Qiu Clan. If he did that, he would be bringing harm to the kid.

But Zhao Hai doesn't know how to comfort Qiu Tie. He has zero experience in dealing with children. As he was thinking of solutions, Zhao Hai's expression suddenly changed. Then he looked down at Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, continue riding the winged horse slowly towards Lower Earth Mountain. Lower Earth Mountain is under attack by beasts. I'll go ahead to take a look."

Hearing this, Qiu Tie said, "Young Master, let's go back together."

Zhao Hai admonished him, "Little Tie, don't be stubborn. You can't do anything even if you came with me. I'll go first to help the Senior Brothers. You fly slowly behind. Be sure that you don't fall down."

Before Qiu Tie was about to say anything, Zhao Hai waved his hand and released a Nine-winged Cloud Centipede. Then he jumped on the back of the centipede and rocketed towards Lower Earth Mountain.

The nine-winged cloud centipede was very quick. Moreover, it was a battle beast. The nine-winged cloud centipede flew straight towards Lower Earth Mountain. While it was flying, the centipede let out a

couple of screeches, causing the Tyrant Blade Sect cultivators below to look up. There was still some distance from Lower Earth Mountain, so these people didn't know that something happened. They were just curious about the beast that was screeching above.

Zhao Hai didn't care about these things right now. He continued to hurry back to Lower Earth Mountain. Although he knew from Cai'er that only 30 beasts were attacking, he was afraid that they would destroy the field he had planted. If that happens, then he would have to replant all of his seeds.

Of the 30 beasts that were attacking, 20 were running on the ground. They looked like wolves. For the other 10, they were beasts that looked like vultures. And these 10 vultures were the most threatening beasts for Lower Earth Mountain.

The beasts weren't very strong, but their coordination was very good. Dao Shu and the others haven't reached the Teleportation Stage yet, so they couldn't fly. Because of this, they had to deal with the wolves and the vultures at the same time. It would be hard for this battle to end soon.

But generally speaking, Dao Shu and the others were stronger than the beasts. So they could hold on for quite some time.

However, Zhao Hai wasn't afraid of Dao Shu and the others falling, he was afraid that his field would be destroyed.

As he stood on the nine-winged cloud centipede, Zhao Hai held a huge 5-meter long blade in his hand.

Zhao Hai wasn't planning on getting down to help Dao Shu and the others. His target were the vultures.

In less than half an hour, Zhao Hai could see Lower Earth Mountain. The vultures that were circling around the mountain were also able to see Zhao Hai. Zhao Hai waved his hand and released a large amount of double-sting bees. Then he ordered the nine-winged cloud centipede to charge towards the vultures.

The vultures were naturally able to sense the aggressiveness of Zhao Hai, but they didn't put him in their eyes. They were actually patient!

Zhao Hai saw five vultures flying towards him. The other five continued to fly around the first peak. Zhao Hai didn't expect the beasts in the True Spirit Realm to be this intelligent. They could even divide their forces.

However, this was Zhao Hai's intention. He waved his long blade and roared, "Kill!" The nine-winged cloud centipede sped up and charged towards the vultures.

Each vulture was 10 meters long and had a wingspan of around 30 meters. They had silvery white feathers and a huge hooked beak. Their claws also looked very sharp. One could see how damaging they could be. Hearing Zhao Hai's roar, the vulture closest to him squawked and threw itself towards Zhao Hai.

The nine-winged cloud centipede also screeched and met the vulture's charge with a cloud of black smoke. When the smoke surrounded the vulture, it couldn't help but scream as its body shook. Then it began to fall downward with its body turned totally black.

Zhao Hai didn't let go of this opportunity. He waved his huge blade and cut towards the vulture's neck. Zhao Hai heard a puffing sound confirming his hit on the target. But before long, he noticed that he only cut the front of the vulture's neck. Although the vulture wouldn't be able to survive this level of damage, the result still surprised Zhao Hai.

Zhao Hai used his full power in sending the attack, but it only cut off the throat of the vulture. He failed to cut the entire head off. This showed the defensive strength of the beast. It must be known that the vulture has already been poisoned by the nine-winged cloud centipede. With how weakened it was, it was still able to have very strong defenses.

However, Zhao Hai also knew that this wasn't the time to study the vulture. He waved his hand and sent the dead vulture to the Space. Then he commanded his double-sting bees to launch an attack towards the four remaining vultures.

Double-sting bees were famous for the sharpness of their stingers. Most defenses wouldn't be able to do anything against their piercing power. Additionally, after entering the Space, the genes of the double-sting bees and the nine-winged cloud centipedes have been improved. This made the poison of the nine-winged cloud centipede to be more potent and the stingers of the double-sting bees to be sharper.

The vultures of the True Spirit Realm have not seen double-sting bees before. Both the double-sting bees and the nine-winged cloud centipede came from the Soaring Dragon Realm. The beasts of the Soaring Dragon Realm were different from the ones in the True Spirit Realm. Because of this, the vultures were unaware of the strength of the double-sting bees. Just as they were about to attack the double-sting bees, the vultures were already peppered by stingers.

The vultures wanted to avoid the stingers but they failed. The vultures were very huge birds that were charging in a straight line. They would need a large turning radius if they wanted to dodge. They weren't agile enough to make a swift turn. Before long, the four vultures were turned into pincushions.

Although the vultures have powerful defenses and didn't die immediately, the damage and the poison in the stingers immobilized them. Before long, the vultures began to fall down.

And like before, Zhao Hai made his move. He began attacking the vultures but left them barely alive. Then he sent them all to the Space. He didn't turn them into Undead. They would be treated and be added to the number of species inside the Space.

After dealing with the five vultures, Zhao Hai immediately threw himself towards the other five. The five vultures didn't expect Zhao Hai to be able to deal with the others in a short time. They screeched and then turned around to escape. These beasts weren't fearless warriors who would die on the battlefield. They would only turn into mindless beasts during beast tides. On normal times, they turn into cowards once they know that the odds were against them.

When the vultures ran away, Dao Shu and the others were finally able to deal with the wolves. As Dao Shu and the others were slaughtering the wolves, those who survived howled and ran away as well.

Despite seeing this, Dao Shu and the others didn't pursue. Although they didn't know how to get along with people, they had very rich experience when it came to fighting the beasts. One time, they chased the running wolves which caused them to fall into an ambush. Since then, whenever they saw the wolves retreating, they would no longer chase them.

Dao Shu and the others also saw Zhao Hai's battle against the vultures. Although they weren't able to fly, their eyesight was very good. And with the battle between Zhao Hai and the vultures happening very close to the ground, they were able to see the events of the battle very clearly. They didn't expect Zhao Hai to be able to command so many beasts.

Seeing that the beasts have retreated, Zhao Hai received the double-sting bees. Then he commanded the nine-wing cloud centipede to descend. After jumping down from the centipede, Zhao Hai sent it back to the Space. Then he went towards Dao Shu and the others who were also heading towards him.

When the two sides got close, Dao Shu laughed and said, "Little Hai, I didn't expect you to be this formidable. Hahaha. Very fierce!"

## Chapter 1999: Testing Qiu Tie

Zhao Hai cupped his fist towards Dao Shu and the others and said, "It's nothing. I knew how to tame beasts from a long time ago. These are beasts I tamed back in the Soaring Dragon Realm. I just sent them out to help with the fight, I didn't expect that they would be effective."

Dao Shu laughed and said, "I'm jealous. But you sure have learned a lot of things. Be careful or else the two elders will scold you."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "These are all things I learned a long time ago. Haha. Alright, let's head head inside and talk." Dao Shu and the others nodded and walked inside with Zhao Hai.

Zhao Hai and the others were still in resident complex 52. Only the wall of the courtyard was destroyed by the wolves when they attacked.

Fortunately, the residences weren't completely ruined and only the robots have suffered. Although the robots were only for housework and had no fighting power, they followed their own set rules. Robots were to put human lives first before their own. Naturally, there were no such rules in combat robots. These rules were only applicable to household robots.

Because of this rule, when the robots saw the wolves attacking Dao Shu and the others, they immediately charged. Although they were getting torn to shreds, they continued to defend.

Zhao Hai planned to take the robots away to be repaired. However, he didn't expect Dao Shu and the others to ask for the destroyed robots. When he asked, Dao Shu and the others said that they wanted to keep the robots as souvenirs.

Zhao Hai didn't decline and gave the destroyed robots to them. Dao Shu and the others happily received the robots.

After dealing with these things, Zhao Hai and the others went to the living room to sit down. The robots that survived served them tea.

After taking a sip of his tea, Zhao Hai looked at Dao Shu and said, "Senior Brother, why did those beasts suddenly attack you?"

Dao Shu forced a smile and said, "Junior Brother, you should get used to this. Attacks like these are common in Lower Earth Mountain. We're all used to it at this point. You should now understand why we sent our servants away. Those servants have no fighting power. If they stay here, they might die."

Zhao Hai nodded, then his expression turned heavy. This was the first time he was worried for Qiu Tie. If beasts keep attacking in the future, then he could only use his spatial divergent ability to save Qiu Tie.

Seeing Zhao Hai's appearance, Dao Shu smiled and said, "Alright, there's no need to worry. Although the beasts of Black Dragon Mountain frequently attack us, these beasts aren't very strong. If a truly powerful beast comes, the sect will send out a powerful expert to drive them back."

Zhao Hai believed him. The Tyrant Blade Sect kept the Black Dragon Mountain because it could serve as a trial ground for the disciples. Although the Black Dragon Mountain seems to be uncontrollable, Zhao Hai believes that the Tyrant Blade Sect has enough power to keep the beasts in line. Otherwise, the mountain would threaten the prestige of the Tyrant Blade Sect. It must be known that the Black Dragon Mountain touched the Tyrant Blade Sect's territory, if the mountain sends a beast tide, the sect would happily show its strength.

Thinking through this point, Zhao Hai couldn't help but sigh. Then he looked at Dao Shu and the others and said with a serious expression, "Senior Brothers, I'll have to apologize in advance. I'm afraid that you'll have to move."

Dao Shu stared, then he asked, "Junior Brother, what do you mean?" Dao Niu and the others were also looking at Zhao Hai.

Zhao Hai smiled bitterly and said, "It's not like I want to drive you away, but I have accepted a task today to plant the lands under Lower Earth Mountain. I didn't expect the Miscellaneous Hall to also give peak number one to me. I have no other choice but to make you leave. I just arrived in the True Spirit Realm, so I have to tell my Masters about the task. As soon as they heard that I accepted the task, they allowed me to stay in peak number one. But they're also afraid that my cultivation will be disturbed, so they want the peak to be cleaned out. In the end, I'll have to ask for your forgiveness. In return, I'll give you robots. Please don't be offended."

"Hahaha!" Hearing Zhao Hai, Dao Shu couldn't help but laugh. Then he patted Zhao Hai's shoulder and said, "Junior Brother, you're thinking about it too much. If it's the decision of the two elders, then we can only follow. We can also understand. You just arrived in the True Spirit Realm, so you really need to cultivate in peace. Moreover, it won't be good if we're present when the two elders instruct you. There's more than enough space in the mountain for us. We can move anytime. But brother, we'll have to ask you to give each one of us a robot. We really need them."

Zhao Hai quickly replied, "That's not a problem. During the beast attack, 10 robots have been destroyed. There's still 20 robots left. And since the courtyard has been cleaned up, you can take 12 of them. Eight robots will be enough to maintain my courtyard."

Dao Shu smiled and said, "Then we'll be impolite and accept them. Brother, we still have to choose a place to live, so we won't be staying here for long. We'll be taking the robots away."

Zhao Hai nodded and then called over 12 robots to go with Dao Shu and the others. Then he took out a spatial bag and said, "Brother, take this as well. Inside are some basic necessities. The robots will know what to do with them."

Dao Shu received the spatial bag and scanned it with his spiritual force. There were quite a lot of things inside. Dao Shu didn't decline and cupped his fist towards Zhao Hai and said, "Brother, I won't say much, if you need anything, don't hesitate to call us."

Zhao Hai cupped his fist and said, "Then I'll have to accept your promise. Senior Brothers, send me a message once you've selected your residence. I'll come and drink with you when I have time."

Dao Shu and the others laughed and then cupped their fists towards Zhao Hai before leaving. Looking at their departing backs, Zhao Hai couldn't help but smile.

Dao Shu and the others couldn't fly yet, so they can only walk down peak number one and then walk along the mountain paths towards the others peaks. This wasn't a short distance. To be honest, Zhao Hai still felt sorry for Dao Shu and the others. As soon as he arrived, he drove them away. But there was nothing he could do. He couldn't let anyone else know about his matters.

Just as Dao Shu and the others left, the sound of wings beating was heard before a winged horse descended from the sky. Just as the winged horse landed, Qiu Tie jumped down. But because the winged horse was too tall, Qiu Tie stumbled when he got down. He quickly got up and ran towards Zhao Hai and asked, "Young Master, are you alright?"

Zhao Hai looked at Qiu Tie and couldn't help but smile. He patted Qiu Tie's head and said, "Don't worry, I'm fine. Alright, come with me inside." Qiu Tie complied and then entered the living room with Zhao Hai.

Upon entering the room, Zhao Hai looked at Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, I'll test you today to see the state of your spiritual roots. Then I'll teach you to cultivate. What do you think?"

When he heard Zhao Hai, Qiu Tie's eyes shone and said, "Young Master, you said I can cultivate like you? Can I be as strong as you as well?"

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "That won't be hard. There are plenty of people more powerful than me in the Tyrant Blade Sect. Don't worry, you will be as powerful as them in the future."

Qiu Tie shook his head and said, "No, Young Master is the most powerful. I heard Grandfather say that you're powerful."

Zhao Hai smiled and didn't say anything. He waved his hand and took out a crystal ball. Just by looking at it, one could see that the crystal ball wasn't simple. This was a product that the Space made specifically to test a person's spiritual root compatibility. Zhao Hai handed the crystal ball to Qiu Tie and said, "Little Tie, grab this crystal ball and concentrate. Remove any distracting thoughts."

Qiu Tie obediently received the crystal ball and focused hard on it. In the beginning, his heart was full of distractions. But before long, his heart quieted down and he began to concentrate. There was only the crystal ball in his eyes.

The crystal ball flashed with brilliant lights. Then characters began appearing on the crystal ball: Earth element spiritual root, 70%. Water element spiritual root, 2%. Fire element spiritual root, 1%. Metal element spiritual root 2%. Wood element spiritual root, 1%. Other spiritual roots, less than 1%"

Upon seeing this, Zhao Hai immediately knew that Qiu Tie was most compatible with the Earth attribute. Moreover, besides the earth attribute, there was no need to consider the other attributes.

Zhao Hai nodded and said, "Alright, Little Tie. You can stop." Qiu Tie recovered and then handed the crystal ball back to Zhao Hai.

Zhao Hai received the crystal ball and began looking at Qiu Tie. He started to ponder what cultivation methods Qiu Tie could practice.

For the earth attribute, it was best to study defensive techniques as well as strength techniques. Such a cultivation path means that their beginning would be slow. However, they would become very formidable later on.

Thinking of this, Zhao Hai's eyes shone. He thought about the 18 Buddhist Techniques, particularly the Demon Subjugation Technique. The Demon Subjugation Technique was a cultivation method that increases both strength and defense. Although it was a Buddhist Technique, its core attribute was the earth. It should be suitable for Qiu Tie to study.

Chapter 2000: Cannot See Through

Qiu Tie anxiously looked at Zhao Hai. He didn't know what cultivation method Zhao Hai would make him practice. However, deep inside, he was happy thinking that he could finally cultivate.

There is nobody in the True Spirit Realm that doesn't want to cultivate. However, most people were like Qiu Tie who was only compatible with a single spiritual root. Most sects would never accept such people as disciples. Although these people could cultivate, it would be impossible for them to reach a high level.

It would be a huge loss for a sect to spend resources on someone who would never reach far. Therefore, those with Mortal-level spiritual roots won't have anyone to teach them to cultivate.

Qiu Tie was from the True Spirit Realm, so he was clearly aware of this matter. Originally, he thought that he would have no chances of cultivation. But now, upon hearing that Zhao Hai would teach him, he was naturally ecstatic.

As Qiu Tie was feeling uneasy, Zhao Hai opened his mouth and said, "Little Tie, you are most compatible with the earth attribute. I have a cultivation method that I obtained in the lower realms. But I don't know how high this method could be practiced. Are you willing to study it?"

Upon hearing Zhao Hai, Qiu Tie didn't even hesitate as he replied, "I want, I want to study. Young Master, please teach me."

Zhao Hai looked at Qiu Tie and then smiled faintly as he said, "That's good. Then starting today, I will teach you to cultivate. Take this jade slip first. The cultivation method is inside. After memorizing the contents, I will guide you how to cultivate." While talking, Zhao Hai took out a jade slip and handed it to Qiu Tie.

Qiu Tie joyfully received the jade slip and said, "Yes, Young Master can rest assured. I will memorize it as soon as possible."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Now go. There's no need to worry about me, I'll be practicing by myself." Qiu Tie nodded and then went to his room.

Seeing Qiu Tie's appearance, Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "This kid, Haha. Let's see how far he can go." Then he stood up and walked out.

Looking at resident complex 52, Zhao Hai couldn't help but smile. This huge area was his own. Zhao Hai waved his hand and took out a winged horse. Then he jumped on the horse and flew around resident complex 52. Before long, the entire area was mapped by the Space.

Altogether, resident complex 52 has 12 courtyard blocks. Each courtyard block could house 10 to 12 people. Moreover, the facilities were very complete. It has its own cafeteria and training grounds. Moreover, Zhao Hai discovered that there was a formation around the resident complex. However, it seems like the formation was not in use. Zhao Hai immediately asked Cai'er, "Cai'er, look at the entire complex and see what it originally looked like. If it's built well, we won't need to redesign it. If it's not, then we'll redesign."

Cai'er complied and immediately worked with Laura and the others. Seeing how busy they became, Zhao Hai smiled and couldn't help but think about when the courtyard complex would be completed. When the time comes, he will take them out. They rarely appeared in front of people. With the Vermillion Bird and Black Tortoise Stamps having their own independent spaces, Zhao Hai could say that he used the stamps to bring Laura and the others over.

Although the Vermillion Bird Stamp and the Black Tortoise Stamp were treasures that people would covet, Zhao Hai now has two formidable masters. The Yin Yang Elders weren't people who could be easily bullied. If they knew that someone had intentions of stealing from Zhao Hai, they certainly wouldn't let them off.

However, another problem was the fact that Laura and the others haven't reached the immortal stage. Although the cleansing water could adjust their bodies so that they could live in the True Spirit Realm, it wouldn't be good if people come to know that they were able to violate the laws of the realm. If that happens, there would be a huge disturbance. At that time, the Yin Yang Elders wouldn't be able to defend them.

Currently, the spiritual qi density of the Space has reached the same level as the True Spirit Realm. Laura and the others would be able to progress in their cultivation much faster compared to before. They would only need some time before they could reach the standards of the True Spirit Realm. When that time comes, Zhao Hai would have no worries releasing them outside.

As for resident complex 52, Zhao Hai wasn't worried about it. Although the walls were destroyed, the complex wasn't completely ruined. With the help of the Universal Scanner, Cai'er was able to remake the original design of resident complex 52.

Seeing the original plans of resident complex 52, Zhao Hai couldn't help but stare. He didn't expect the resident complex to look like this. The 12 courtyard blocks of the complex surrounded a huge training ground. Then not far from the training ground was a cafeteria. These two places were the public facilities of the complex. Each courtyard block also has their own training ground. However, they didn't have cafeterias.

Although the layout looked ordinary, Zhao Hai could see that the courtyard blocks were made in accordance with the Four-State Great Formation.

The training ground in the middle was the core of the entire great formation. When the enemy attacks, people can gather in the training ground and use their techniques to control the formation.

The design of the resident complex was very practical. It might as well be called a military compound. Once the Four-State Great Formation was repaired, as long as there's enough manpower, capturing residence number 52 would not be easy.

The resident complex wasn't designed to look like a graceful beauty. Instead, it was built like a rigid, iron blooded maiden. Combined with the situation of the mountain, it gave the feeling of being neither lacking nor excessive.

After some time, Zhao Hai nodded and said, "What do you guys think? This will be our home for a long time. After the complex is repaired and you reach the immortal stage, you'll also come out and live here with me. Tell me if we need to add anything"

Laura smiled and said, "There's no need to change anything. However, the defensive formation of the residence needs to be upgraded. At the very least, the formation needs to be three-dimensional. Brother Hai, see if you can go to your Master's place and request some formations. Although there's no need to change everything, we'll have to decorate the inside according to our taste."

Zhao Hai laughed and said, "Alright, I'll listen to you. Get everything ready along with the robots. Leave the rest to me. You should practice when you have nothing to do. Reach the immortal stage as soon as possible so that we can meet outside."

Laura and the others complied. They didn't care about anything other than being beside Zhao Hai. In the past, they didn't care too much about cultivation. But now that they have a reason, they naturally would do their best.

Laura and the others got busy designing for the interior of resident complex 52. Meanwhile, Zhao Hai started to reorganize the complex.

Zhao Hai commanded the robots to get stones to fix the buildings. Then he left the job to Qiu Tie as he rode his winged horse and soared towards Yin-Yang Mountain.

After several hours of flying, Zhao Hai arrived at Yin-Yang Mountain. Like before, he stopped at the bottom of the mountain and walked up on foot. He arrived at the residence by afternoon.

Upon arriving at the residence, Zhao Hai pushed the gate open and went in. Qiu Zhen already retrieved the portable transmission formations that the Yin-Yang Elders asked for. Now that he's back, he would naturally stay in the two elders' residence.

But unlike last time, Qiu Zhen didn't look busy. He was currently commanding the robot to do the housework. Seeing Zhao Hai arrive, he quickly greeted him with a smile, "I have seen the Young Master."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Uncle Zhen, you're too polite. How are you? Is the robot to your liking?"

Qiu Zhen smiled and said, "It's very easy to use. I'll have to thank the Young Master. With the robot, I'm now more relaxed. But I couldn't help but worry about these robots. I'm afraid that they would replace me soon."

Hearing Qiu Zhen, Zhao Hai couldn't help but laugh, "Uncle Zhen, you're thinking too much. It's impossible for robots to completely replace people. You don't have to worry about this. Even if they're effective, robots still need someone to order them, do they not?"

Qiu Zhen nodded with a smile and said, "Young Master is correct. Right, are you looking for the Old Masters? They're both present." Zhao Hai nodded, then he went to the living room and said, "Masters, this disciple is asking for an audience."

The Yin Elder's voice was heard, "Come in." Zhao Hai pushed the door open and cupped his fist towards the two elders. The Yin Elder looked at Zhao Hai and said, "You came back quickly, is there something wrong?"

Zhao Hai gave a nod and said, "Master, this disciple has taken over resident complex 52. I want to restore it to its original state. However, there seems to be something wrong with the formation there. Disciple wants to ask Master if there are any jade slips about formations in the sect. And if there are, can I take a look?"

Hearing this, the Yin Elder couldn't help but ask, "You also know about formations?"

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "I understand it a bit. I studied a movement technique in the past that involved formations. So upon seeing that resident complex 52 has a defensive formation, I want to modify it."

The Yang Elder looked at Zhao Hai and said, "Are you confident? This formation can't be completed in a day or two. Your main focus right now should be cultivation. You shouldn't do anything that would delay you. We can have formation masters of the sect come over and help you fix the formation."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Master, there's no need to worry. It won't delay my cultivation. Formations are easy to understand. As long as you get the basics, it actually isn't that hard. Also, my comprehension of formations is different compared to other people. My formations can't be laid out by other people. So they can't help even if they want to."

Hearing Zhao Hai, the Yin Elder nodded and said, "You look confident. Alright, I'll leave the formation to you. I want to see what kind of formation you can arrange." After he said that, his body flashed with white light before he disappeared.

The Yang Elder looked at Zhao Hai and said, "After some time, the two of us will go to your place to take a look. If we see that you've fallen behind, then don't blame us."

Zhao Hai smiled faintly and said, "Master can rest assured. Disciple will not disappoint you." As he said that, there was a flash of white light and the Yin Elder reappeared. He handed a jade slip to Zhao Hai and said, "Take this. These are common formations used by the sect. If you understand them all, then the majority of formations in the True Spirit Realm would not be able to stop you."

Zhao Hai received the jade slip and then cupped his fist towards the Yin Elder, "Thank you very much, Master. Can I take this jade slip back? If I can't, I can record it right now."

The Yin Elder shook his head and said, "There's no need. This jade slip is a duplicate I recorded. You can take it back to study. But remember, you cannot delay your cultivation. Otherwise, you can't blame us for punishing you."

Zhao Hai smiled and said, "Then this disciple asks to be excused. In a few days, Masters can come over to take a look. If you're not satisfied, then you can punish me."

The Yin Elder waved his hand and Zhao Hai turned around to leave. Once Zhao Hai was gone, the Yin Elder looked at the Yang Elder and said, "Junior Brother, Little Hai really looks confident in his formations. What do you think?"

The Yang Elder smiled bitterly and said, "I really can't say. At this point, I can't read that kid. We only spent a very short time with him, so we still don't understand him. I really don't know if it's a good or bad thing that we have a disciple like him."

The Yin Elder sighed and said, "We already took him in as a disciple. From what I can see, even if he doesn't become a powerful expert, he can still be a refining master or an alchemy master. He might even be a formation master. No matter what, he can be useful to the sect."

The Yang Elder nodded.