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Chapter 1661: Changes

The extermination of Zi clan in Heavenly Square City didn't cause greater chaos in the city. After one night's curfew, by the next day, the entire city had recovered except for the gossips. And, it was said that Heavenly Square Building was burned into ashes in a fire accident last night, leaving smoking ruin over there.

The extermination of Zi clan didn't pose too much influence on the commoners in the city. It was still Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace which ruled Heavenly Square City. The mere difference was that there were some more soldiers of Immortal Force Camp patrolling in the city. Additionally, it was said that those people being closely related to Zi clan had disappeared too over last night.

After being intense overnight, those traders who converged in Heavenly Square City from all directions for the coming big trade fair found the city remained as same as usual. Those businesses were carried on as usual. Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace didn't restrict traders' freedom any longer. Traders could stay or leave for free. Therefore, they became reassured at a stroke as they started to ask about what happened in Heavenly Square City last night. As for businessmen in Motian Realm, besides trading commodities for profits everywhere, they had another function, namely communication. As for the clans or forces behind traders, sometimes information was even more important than profit.

In Motian Realm, of course, the information about the relationship between two star-level immortal palaces was critical and especially sensitive.

Therefore, on the next early morning, all the boites, teahouses, stores and guilds in the city had been crowded with lads of itinerant traders or stores or people from all walks of lives who came here by airboats for news.

Despite being various, none of the news was accurate.

Someone said Zi clan and the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City colluded with each other to trap those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace who wanted to occupy Heavenly Square City in order to take revenge for the fact that Star Emperor Immortal Palace occupied Biyao City in Sun Shooting Plains of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace a few days ago.

Someone said that a wind immortal general of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace arrived at Heavenly Square City and killed the owner of Zi clan and those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace.

Someone said that disguised demons slipped into Heavenly Square City last night. In order to deteriorate the relationship between two emperor-level immortal palaces in Motian Realm, it made a massacre in Heavenly Square Building and Zi Clan Castle. The latter news sounded more vivid and accurate. It was said that someone even saw that disguised demon kill an immortal general of Star Emperor Immortal Palace and fight people being dispatched to Zi Clan Castle by Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. After injuring some immortal generals of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace, the disguised demon field away.

Someone said that other immortal palaces were involved in...

Facing this news, those information inquirers became muddle-headed as they didn't know which news was true. Even so, they could still confirm the following points.

First, last night, in the downtown, some immortal generals broke out a fierce battle in Zi Clan Castle; however, the battle was short. At least one water immortal general was involved. It was said that water immortal general came from Star Emperor Immortal General. However, the opponent of the water immortal general was anonymous.

Second, like Zi Clan Castle, Heavenly Square Building was also a battlefield between immortal generals. The fire accident facing Heavenly Square Building was related to immortal generals. This early morning, some corpses were discovered from the ruins.

Third, Star Emperor Immortal Palace suffered a great loss in Heavenly Square City last night as many people were killed. Zi clan in Heavenly Square City perished overnight. Today, none of the immortal generals from Star Emperor Immortal Palace could be seen across the city anymore; nor were people of Zi clan.

Fourth, it was a bit uncertain. Someone said the nine immortal generals from Star Emperor Immortal Palace were all cleared in Heavenly Square City; however, their corpses couldn't be discovered.

What everyone cared most was the information about the people who fought Star Emperor Immortal Palace last night. There were many versions of that. One of the most popular was that some disguised demons slipped into Heavenly Square City, killed many immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace and created the turmoil in the city last night. This saying could be proved by the fact that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace suddenly strengthened its check towards anyone accessing the city. Everyone accessing to Heavenly Square City should pass the test of the demon-detective needle.

Whereas, Zhang Tie didn't know about these changes in Heavenly Square City overnight. After coming back to Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace and making a bloody pledge to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace officially last night, Zhang Tie was requested to stay in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace for calm cultivation these days as the deputy head of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal palace in Heavenly Square City by Huang Baimei.

Zhang Tie was frank; therefore, he just stayed in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal palace. No matter what, in the worst case scenario, he would be kicked out of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace and face the revenge from Star Emperor Immortal Palace alone.

As for others, they might face a tragedy; however, as for Zhang Tie, it was not a big deal as he would not lose hair. Ordinary immortal generals were nothing but sh*t in his eyes. Even if the Star Emperor hunted him, given his ability, Zhang Tie could easily avoid his hunt by changing his look and identity.

Even some shadow demons could mess up these immortal palaces, not to mention him. By triggering body-changing bloodline, he could never be identified by people in Motian Realm.

'Whereas, given Huang Baimei's attitude, it's almost impossible for Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace to betray me. Otherwise, the brand of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace could be thrown into sh*t. If the immortal general who fought for the immortal palace was kicked out, who else would work for it?'

As it was not proper for him to ask about that last night, Zhang Tie didn't do that. Nevertheless, Zhang Tie had made his decision to have a good talk with Huang Baimei when it was proper. He wanted to know the internal affairs about Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in case of unnecessary troubles.

Last night, Zhang Tie slept pretty well. It was almost the soundest sleep that Zhang Tie had since he came to Motian Realm. Before daybreak, Zhang Tie had woken up. After cleansing himself, he took out the map of Motian Realm that he bought last night and paved it over a desk before reading it carefully. He started to absorb all the knowledge about Motian Realm as much as possible like a piece of sponge absorbing water...

Chapter 1662: The Divisions of Motian Realm

Being different than ordinary people, when Zhang Tie read a map, he kept visualizing the images and data about terrains on the plane into a huge three-dimensional sand table. In this way, he could bear everything on the map in mind for the rest of his life.

Whenever Zhang Tie wanted to use it, he could deepen into each detail on the map. Additionally, when in flight, Zhang Tie could match the coordinate on the map at any time. Therefore, he would not get lost no matter how long he had flown. Furthermore, Zhang Tie could match all the coordinates in mind and draw out the most precise map.

After reading it, Zhang Tie realized the large size of Motian Realm. Those regions marked on the map were much larger than the world that he came from.

However, the size of Motian Realm was relative.

Strictly, the world where he came from was a celestial body, a vigorous yet trivial place in the complete universe. The world where he came from was connected to a vast world, which contained numerous celestial bodies, galaxies and lives. The world where he came from was just a small part of a larger world.

Motian Realm was very large; however, strictly, it was not a complete universe; but an independent, bizarre space. Although being large, to a certain degree, Motian Realm was very small, independent and incomplete. Additionally, Motian Realm was not a celestial body; instead, it was more like some independent "pieces" floating in the sky.

Motian Realm contained many "pieces", large or small. All the "pieces' were called "domains" or "regions". There were three kinds of domains, namely, big domains, middle domains and small domains. Big domains in Motian Realm were like subcontinents, which usually covered hundreds of millions of square miles. Middle domains were smaller, the size of which ranged from 10 million to over 100 million square miles. As for small domains, their sizes ranged from millions of square miles to 10 million square miles. By contrast, regions were always less than 1 million square miles in size.

All the domains and regions were like islands floating in the air of Motian Realm, large or small. They were connected by airboat.

Motian Realm had 9 big domains, 64 middle domains and 360 small domains and numerous regions. Given its population and land size, Motian Realm was featured by sparse population and vast land.

Demons and humans respectively occupied 4 big domains while the last big domain was shared by two parties. As a result, the two parties always broke out wars for resources. Additionally, humans and demons occupied almost the same number of middle domains and small domains. In other words, humans and demons were well-matched in strength.

The three big domains that humans ruled were Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace, Star Emperor Immortal Palace and Force Emperor Immortal Palace. As was occupied by the three emperor-level immortal palaces, the three big domains were respectively called Dragon Emperor Big Domain, Star Emperor Big Domain and Force Emperor Big Domain. Besides the three big domains, the three emperorlevel immortal palaces also ruled some middle domains and small domains and scrambled for many cities with demons in the last big domains. As for the 14 sage-level immortal palaces in Motian Realm, each of them ruled one or several middle and small domains.

Zhang Tie was in the Heavens Big Domain in Motian Realm where humans and demons usually broke out wars. Additionally, given its size, Heavens Big Domain was the biggest domain in Motian Realm. The entire Heavens Big Domain was of the size of a military region of Taixia Country. Therefore, the wars between humans and demons were especially fierce here.

Besides, Zhang Tie was surprised by a vast ocean in Motian Realm called Yao Ocean. The entire Yao Ocean was at the bottom of the Motian Realm. Above the Motian Realm, there was an extremely high, ethereal place called Mountain Ruins, which was not marked on the map.

As Zhang Tie was immersed in the map of Motian Realm, he almost forgot time. Not until he was awakened by the knocks at the door did he move his eyes away from the map.

Zhang Tie went off to open the door as he saw Leng Manxue the general deacon of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace standing outside the door with a lot of items in arms.

The fiery outfit, undulated figure, sexy, long legs, beautiful short hair, bright eyes which bent upwards, forbidding qi field, this general deacon of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City was cultured.

"Oh, General deacon Leng, what's up?" Zhang Tie asked with a smile.

Leng Manxue was like other strong professional women. Zhang Tie knew that she must dislike being called in an intimate way. Therefore, Zhang Tie didn't feel like joking with her. It was wise and easy to treat her as his colleague.

After taking a serious look at Zhang Tie, Leng Manxue was instantly shocked. She had already been told that Zhang Tie was a water immortal general. Therefore, she couldn't stand observing him for a short while. Even so, this woman still didn't look very curious and shocked. She soon recovered her composure as she said, "Head asked me to send some exclusive sets of outfits to you as you have to get used to your current situation..."

As she said, Leng Manxue had already entered Zhang Tie's room.

After knowing that she had something else to say, Zhang Tie smiled as he closed the door from inside.

After entering the room, Leng Manxue directly went to the wardrobe and shoe cabinet before putting the pile of outfits in the cabinet. After that, she noticed that huge map of Motian Realm on the desk as she turned around and asked, "You're studying the map of Motian Realm?"

"Ahem...ahem...yes, as I couldn't remember the terrains in Motian Realm anymore, I bought a map to review them..." Zhang Tie disguised to cough twice as he hurriedly moved his eyes away from Leng Manxue's butts. Being attracted by her extremely rhythmic, twisting butt and waist, Zhang Tie couldn't stand taking a look at them.

"This map is too crude. It's made by commoners. If you want, I can have someone bring you the complete jade map of Motian Realm. It's stored in our immortal palace!" Leng Manxue didn't look abnormal as if she had not discovered that Zhang Tie was gazing at her butt or just ignored it.

"Thanks, general deacon!"

"Pleasure. As the deputy head of the immortal palace, you have the right to use these resources!"

Leng Manxue's words reminded Zhang Tie of something as he asked, "I wonder whether there're some other books in the immortal palace. If there is, please have people bring them to me too. I want to read them perhaps for the sake of my memory!"

"Previously, there were many books in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City; however, they were all taken away by the last batch of immortal generals. There were only a few left. If you want to read, perhaps you could when we return to the headquarters of Dragon Emperor Big Domain!" Leng Manxue said as she looked into Zhang Tie's eyes with a faint frown, "If not you're an immortal human general, I would even doubt that whether you were born in Motian Realm or not..."

"I was indeed not born in Motian Realm!" Zhang Tie said as he watched Leng Manxue seriously. After hearing his reply, Leng Manxue slightly squinted. However, Zhang Tie's following words defused the short solemn atmosphere at once, "You're far-sighted. I'm actually dispatched by God to save commoners especially beauties in Motian Realm. Additionally, I'm destined to be a perfect man. I always hide it well; unexpectedly, you discovered that. Promise me, don't reveal this secret to others!"

"Huh!" Leng Manxue uttered as she raised her eyebrows and threw a glare at Zhang Tie, "As the deputy head of the immortal palace, please watch out your words and image. If those followers of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace saw you joking every day, their confidence and belief in the immortal palace would sharply decline. By then, if you were caught by the law enforcement elder back in Dragon Emperor Big Domain, you might suffer a severe punishment. Don't blame me then..."

"Head said that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace is going to abandon Heavenly Square City, is that true?"

Leng Manxue nodded rigidly as her face turned gloomy.

"But why?"

"It's determined by the Church of the immortal palace. As Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace is on the verge of collapse, besides Heavenly Square City, we're also gradually giving up the other cities as all the strength of it would return to Dragon Emperor Big Domain..."

Before reading the map, he was confused about this decision; however, after reading it, Zhang Tie realized that it was a method that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace adopted to contract its force for a better defense...

Chapter 1663: That's Great

"It's the so-called strategic retreat for Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. I understand it. Sorry to bring troubles to Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. I'm sure Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace doesn't want to ram against Star Emperor Immortal Palace at this moment!" Zhang Tie said with a smile as he looked a bit helpless and guilty. Meanwhile, he appeared being disapproving as he asked, "If so, why would the head allow me to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace?" n-)Ovel&In

"Do you know what was I doing last night?" Leng Manxue asked Zhang Tie.

"Tackling the awful mess in Heavenly Square City!"

"Yup, additionally, I have had people put all the 37 street patrollers that you saw in Heavenly Square Building, the manager and two waiters of Heavenly Square Building and the remaining alive guards of Zi in the underground prison of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. After interrogating them, we erased their memory of yesterday. Except for them, nobody else in Heavenly Square City had seen you at the spot!" Leng Manxue said expressionlessly as she added, "We were taking the order of our head. Therefore, today, the entire city is filled with the gossips that disguised demons have entered Heavenly Square City and killed powerhouses from Star Emperor Immortal Palace as well as other gossips. However, none of them is about you. Therefore, Star Emperor Immortal Palace might not know that it was you who did it in Heavenly Square City last night!"

Zhang Tie was stunned for a second. He had not imagined that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace could fix it as a pending case overnight. As a result, even Star Emperor Immortal Palace couldn't lose their temper to anyone while suffering a loss. Additionally, Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace avoided being the direct objective of the revenge of Star Emperor Immortal Palace. 'No wonder head asked me to stay in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace for a few days. Except for some staff in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace, who else knows that I've joined Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace after killing those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace?'

'What a sharp and shrewd plan!' Zhang Tie started to admire Head Huang's scheme. 'People from a big force is really something!'

Zhang Tie might not care about the revenge of Star Emperor Immortal Palace; however, he knew that it was the safest way for him in the eyes of Head Huang.

"Great! Great!" Zhang Tie admired, "Head Huang is really something. General deacon Leng, thank you for your work last night!"

"It's not a big deal for the sake of the immortal palace!" Leng Manxue raised her head arrogantly as she took a glance at Zhang Tie, continuing, "I just want to let you know that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace is one of the top three emperor-level immortal palaces in Motian Realm no matter what. Although we have troubles now, we're not gonna be a group of shallow wusses. When Star Emperor Immortal Palace attacked Biyao City, although we lost immortal generals, they lost immortal generals as many as ours too!"

"What are we gonna do about Heavenly Square City? Now that Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace has determined to abandon Heavenly Square City, does it mean that I will just now take care of it?"

"Head has long got a plan. What you did yesterday disrupted Star Emperor Immortal Palace's scheme. No matter what, Star Emperor Immortal Palace would not take Heavenly Square City in the end. You would know it in a few days!" Leng Manxue said as she took out a jade slip and gave it to Zhang Tie, saying, "Here's the introduction of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. You'd better study it these couple of days in case of being a laughing stock when we're back in Dragon Emperor Bid Realm. As for the jade map, I would have someone bring it to you in a few minutes!"

"Thanks!" Zhang Tie took over the jade slip.

"Oh, you'd better try those outfits. If they don't fit you, let me know; I will have people alter them for you. Given your level, you could also enjoy space-teleportation equipment and special outfits; however, we ran out of them for the time being. We could only talk about it back in Dragon Emperor Big Realm. As for the weapons that you've gained from those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace, you'd better not take them out."

Stroking his nose, Zhang Tie replied, "Well!"

After saying that, General deacon Leng turned around and intended to leave. Zhang Tie then walked her out of the door. After that, he closed the door and started to play with the jade slip.

The jade slip was only of the size of a thumb. In a rectangular shape, it looked like a gold bar. This item didn't exist in Taixia Country. In the world that he came from, crystals were the main carriers of information. Previously, Zhang Tie was told that silicon was the best media for information storage in the crust of the earth. As crystals contained a lot of silicon element, crystals were a pretty good information carrier. Zhang Tie guessed that this jade slip's function was just like that of crystals.

Zhang Tie tried to inject his spiritual energy into the jade slip. As was imagined, a great amount of information regarding Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace started to appear in his mind sea. Of course, Dragon Emperor was the ruler of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. Below Dragon Emperor was the Church which contained five elders who were all fire immortal knights, namely semi-sage knights. Additionally, two chief justices were on the same level as the five elders. However, the two chief justices didn't participate in making decisions. Below five elders were token owner, branch head and hall head. Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace was strictly hierarchical and organized. Below Dragon Emperor, immortal generals were divided into 15 ranks. Besides supreme immortal generals, each level of immortal general was divided into three ranks. There were six classes below immortal generals, whose treatment varied in the immortal palace.

Additionally, Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace had its own Dragon Emperor Army, which was completely composed of immortal generals and was divided into army, division, brigade, regiment and camp.

Furthermore, the jade slip also introduced the regulations and articles of rewards and punishments of the Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. After skimming over them, Zhang Tie soon learned them all.

After reading that, Zhang Tie started to check those outfits as he found they were pretty complete, including boots and trousers. Touching them comfortably, he found they were made of senior materials which could never be matched by what he was wearing. The material of robes and pants was similar to boa silk; whereas, it felt metallic. Therefore, Zhang Tie was not sure about it.

Among these outfits, the black robe with dragon pattern was similar to the one that Head Huang wore. On the sleeves of the robe, Zhang Tie saw seven silver threads with dragon pattern which symbolized his identity in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. By contrast, there were nine silver threads with a dragon pattern on the sleeves of Head Huang, which meant that Huang Baimei was two classes higher than Zhang Tie within Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace.

Even so, Zhang Tie's battle strength was still greater than Head Huang. Therefore, he didn't care too much about that. Actually, Zhang Tie was pretty satisfied as he had promoted to a deputy head of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace only after coming to Motian Realm for less than one week.

After taking off his clothes and putting on a new set of outfits, Zhang Tie watched the handsome guy in the mirror as he raised his arms. After that, he made a face, murmuring," Zhang Tie, come on, you could go back..."

Chapter 1664: Early Month

After Leng Manxue had one deacon bring the map of Motian Realm to Zhang Tie, Zhang Tie spent a day studying it. As a result, the day had quickly passed.

The information about the map was stored in the jade slip. Zhang Tie admitted that the map in the jade slip was much more advanced than the map that he bought in Heavenly Square City on both quality and precision. In the map collected by the immortal palace, beside the 9 big domains, 64 middle domains and 360 small domains, even tens of thousands of regions were marked clearly. Additionally, the sphere of influence of humans, demons and clans as well as mines were also marked on the map. It was completely a military map of Motian Realm, which helped Zhang Tie a lot.

By visualizing the map of Motian Realm completely, Zhang Tie also gained an increase in spiritual energy.

What surprised Zhang Tie was that although Motian Realm was large, it didn't produce element crystals except for one place, namely Mountain Ruins at the highest, ethereal part of Motian Realm. By contrast, air floating metal which was rarely seen in Taixia Country spread everywhere in Motian Realm as each domain contained mines of air floating metal.

On the map, Mountain Ruins' space was many times greater than that of the entire domains. However, Zhang Tie didn't see any introduction of the terrain of Mountain Ruins on the map; instead, Mountain Ruins was just open land. A space between Mountain Ruins and domains was marked as Ice and Fire Heavenly Wind Layer with a special line of annotation below——Danger, only wind immortal generals are allowed in.

Feeling mysterious about Mountain Ruins, Zhang Tie bore it in mind as he thought about further learning it when there was a chance.

On the second day, precisely March 1st, the 3584th year of the fourth Hui of the ninth Yuan of the third Ji of Emperor NvWo Calendar, the monthly big trade fair kicked off. One Hui contained 10,800 years; one Yuan contained 108 Huis; one Ji contained 108 Yuans. These figures aroused Zhang Tie's illusions. To put it simply, people in Motian Realm used to say Year, Month and Day while ignoring those time units Ji, Yuan and Hui.

Therefore, the second day, also the sixth day since Zhang Tie entered Motian Realm, was March 1 of the 3584th year of Emperor NvWo Calendar.

Before daybreak, Zhang Tie had woken up and cleansed himself. No sooner had he put on his clothes than he heard knocks at the door. After opening the door, he saw Liu Meng and Liu Yong who were still knocking at the door while looking left and right like thieves.

Zhang Tie let them in.

After coming in, the two brothers exchanged a glance with each other. Liu Yong rubbed his hands and licked his lips as he watched Zhang Tie, saying, "The big trade fair kicks off today. We could use space-teleportation equipment now; did we get those items of Zi Clan Castle back?"

"Where did you hide them?"

"Right in a lotus flower pond inside Zi Clan Castle!"

"Weren't they discovered?"

"Not yet. Zi Clan Castle has been sealed. Many good items over there had been transferred to the warehouse of our immortal palace. We've checked the warehouse and didn't see those items that we buried in the pond!" Liu Meng said with a smirk as his eyes flickered.

"Could you leave Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace these two days?"

"Yes, we could!" the two brothers nodded as Liu Meng added, "Head warned us to not hang out in crowded places. No matter what, nobody in Heavenly Square City knows us."

"Great!" Zhang Tie took off a space-teleportation finger ring and passed it to Liu Meng, saying, "You could go there and take those things back. This space-teleportation finger ring should be enough..."

After taking Zhang Tie's finger ring, Liu Meng looked at it for a short while as he scratched his head and told Zhang Tie bashfully, "Erm, how to use it? I've not seen it before!"

In Motian Realm, space-teleportation equipment was also a rarity. Not every immortal general could have one, not to mention fierce immortal generals. Therefore, it was not strange that the Liu brothers had not used it.

"Go over there and catch that desk. Cover the desk with your spiritual energy and inject your spiritual energy into the finger ring. Think about putting the desk into the finger ring. You will do it after trying it a couple of times!" Zhang Tie told Liu Meng.

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Liu Meng then held a desk by one hand and tried twice as was told by Zhang Tie. In a split second, the desk was put into the finger ring and was taken out of there. Only after a short while, he had already mastered its usage.

"Wow, this space-teleportation equipment is gorgeous..." Liu Meng said jubilantly.

"Let me try..." Liu Yong urged with a strong desire as he came over there and took the finger ring. He also mastered it after a couple of times' attempt. As for knights who used space-teleportation equipment for the first time, this trick was too marvelous. They loved it so much.

"Well, quick. Let's finish it before daybreak ... "

After taking the finger ring, the two brothers nodded at Zhang Tie excitedly before leaving his room.

Watching them off, Zhang Tie closed the door with a smile.

Since 1 am, the bizarre strength of time and space in Motian Realm had returned to zero when spaceteleportation equipment became available. It also meant that Zhang Tie could access to Castle of Black Iron.

After estimating when the two brothers would come back, Zhang Tie ran his spiritual energy and knocked the mysterious arch door in his mind sea. In the next second, he disappeared from the room and appeared under the palace tree in Castle of Black Iron.

The small tree gave out brilliant light, causing the entire hall of palace tree splendent. Being stimulated by it, Zhang Tie almost couldn't open his eyes...

Chapter 1665: Pleasure and Sadness

Surprise always came sudden. The moment Zhang Tie entered the parlor of the palace tree of Castle of Black Iron and noticed the brilliance over the small tree, his heart had started racing. He then knew that the small tree must bring him a surprise.

Before entering Castle of Black Iron, Zhang Tie actually didn't have any expectation. He just wanted to try whether Castle of Black Iron was available in Motian Realm. Of course, according to Zhang Tie's estimation, after a few days since he received the three black invitations, Paul should have created some more fruits of redemption for him. What was more, Zhang Tie wanted to know whether the growth speed of fruits on the small tree in the world where he came from was consistent with that in Motian Realm. If the time flow rate here was slower such as one day here was equal to one month or one year in Taixia Country, Zhang Tie would be driven mad.

Whenever he thought about this possibility, Zhang Tie would feel like breaking apart. nOve. Ib(In

There were over 10 fruits of redemption on the small tree, some of which were from the gratitude of golden uangs, some were from the gratitude of gulf shrimps; five of them were from the gratitude of hairy shells. These fruits of redemption covered strength, defensive ability, resilience and adaptability in extreme conditions. They increased Zhang Tie's overall strength constantly.

Seeing those fruits of redemption, Zhang Tie let out a sigh at once. Given the growth speed of fruits, Zhang Tie realized that the time flow rate here was almost like that in the world where he came from.

The fruit which was giving out brilliant light was the fruit of brilliance. At this moment, this fruit was really resplendent.

Besides, there was another fruit being covered with strong light, a fruit of bloodline.

At the sight of the two fruits, Zhang Tie exclaimed inside, 'What a fortune!'

Zhang Tie didn't imagine that the death of Heavenly Hunyuan a few days ago could bring him the fruit of brilliance and fruit of bloodline at the same time.

'Precisely, Heavenly Hunyuan was not killed by me directly; instead, he was injured by my deity-killing sword, pulled down and finally killed by the strength in the crack of the former space.'

——The deteriorating glorious rays will definitely be used after the death of the sinners. The soul of the sinners shall return to the Dark Land, while the glorious rays of the soul shall remain. The glorious rays were a force that was granted to the soul by the Creator and should not be desecrated. The glorious rays belong to the brave men who spread the righteousness of the Gods. As a brave fighter who brandished your blade against evil, you will earn glorious rays as you judge evil. The glorious rays of the soul will coexist within you, making you stronger.

——The brave man who dares to wave saber towards the dark force, when you conquer your fear, everything would be possible. When you create a marvel in the dark, the marvel would manifest itself in the brightness for sure. This fruit of bloodline is your marvel and your greatest reward, with which you would acknowledge the secrets of the endless treasures of your body and have the power of determining your own fate. The power doesn't come from your punch but from your strong will and heart of being a brave man.

When Zhang Tie watched the two familiar paragraphs under the two fruits, he sighed with emotions inside. Superficially, Heavenly Hunyuan looked righteous and fair; however, he must have secretly done a lot of evil things and been pretty vicious so as to produce such fruits after death.

The fruits were the last trial and accusation of Heavenly Hunyuan. If Heavenly Hunyuan was innocent or kept the bottom line as a human knight, his death would definitely not lead to the two fruits. Now that the small tree produced the two fruits, it indicated that Heavenly Hunyuan was as evil as Han Zhengfang who had done as many evil things as those knights of Three-eye Association had done.

Watching the two fruits, Zhang Tie felt both happy and sad.

He was happy because the two fruits could bring him power; he was sad because he was worried about Taixia Country and his family. Now that Heavenly Hunyuan was so rebellious, Taiyi Old Man and Shenkong Old Man must have been rebellious too. Three of the top six sects in Taixia Country were under the leadership of such douchebags, it was definitely not good news for Taixia Country and Jinwu Palace in Youzhou Province. The dark of the Imperial Alliance and the dirty methods adopted by the Imperial Alliance might be out of Zhang Tie's imagination, which might be the largest crisis facing Taixai Country from inside... However, as Zhang Tie was trapped in Motian Realm, he could not give any favor to Taixia Country despite his concerns and strength.

Watching the two fruits, Zhang Tie recalled those arrangements that he had made for Jinwu Palace and Iron-Dragon Sect and the current situation facing Imperial Alliance after losing Xuanyuan Wuji and a sage-level knight, Zhang Tie was a bit composed. However, he didn't know whether Taiyi Old Man and Shenkong Old Man had a plan B or would do harm to Jinwu Palace. Therefore, Zhang Tie was worried and helpless again...

"Castle Lord..." Heller had already come to the back of Zhang Tie as he woke Zhang Tie up.

After letting out a deep sigh, Zhang Tie thought, 'What counts most is to grow stronger using the resources in Motian Realm and find the way back!'

"It's so nice to see you again!" Zhang Tie turned around with a smile.

"Me too. Castle Lord, congratulations. It's so great for Castle Lord to survive the crack of space in fighting the sage-level knight!"

Zhang Tie then pointed at the two special fruits on the small tree and said with a smile, "These fruits might be the best interpretation of my survival..."

"Castle Lord deserves them!" Heller replied with a smile as he added, "There're many resources in Motian Realm which we could not find in the world where you come from such as those rare and bizarre plants. Castle Lord might have already seen some in Motian Realm over these days. If they could be moved to Castle of Black Iron, they would benefit Castle of Black Iron a lot!"

"Hmm, I will. I will collect some plant seeds when I get a chance!" Zhang Tie said as he nodded. These days, Zhang Tie indeed had seen some strange plants. Take that species that he saw on the ground when he was in the airboat as an instance, that kind of tree could grow higher than 200 m. He also saw some arbors which carried rich ears-of-wheat-like fruits. These plants couldn't be seen in the world where he came from. Additionally, some resources in Motian Realm were amazingly rich.

"Besides, Castle Lord perhaps gotta take care of some news!" Heller warned him.

"Oh, what news?"

"Now that there's an existence above sage-level knight and many cultivation methods are well preserved, Castle Lord, have you thought about seeing a complete version of *King Roc Sutra* in this world?"

Heller's words shocked Zhang Tie in a split second as he became still under the small tree for a few seconds...

Since he started to study the cultivation method of *King Roc Sutra* step by step hardly, Zhang Tie had long taken it as an incomplete version. He even had forgotten about the fact that there was a complete version of *King Roc Sutra* at the beginning. Heller's words woke him up. He might not get the complete version of *King Roc Sutra* from the world where he came from; however, it didn't mean that he couldn't find one either in this world. The two worlds were too similar to each other in many aspects.

Additionally, the cultivation methods in Motian Realm appeared to be more complete, what if there was one complete version of *King Roc Sutra* in this world?

"Heller, thank you, I almost forgot about it..." Zhang Tie said as he watched Heller appreciatively.

"It's a pleasure. Even if I didn't warn you, Castle Lord would have also thought about it soon!" Heller said with a modest smile.

Zhang Tie then nodded quietly. After taking a look at the small tree, he picked the fruit of redemption from the gratitude of golden uangs and started to engulf it. Closely after that, he returned to his private room in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace where many immortal generals were living in. Additionally, many secret methods in this world aroused Zhang Tie's alert too. For instance, when he was waiting for the head of the branch in the room with the others, Zhang Tie felt that the water molecules in the air were correlated with each other, being utterly different than that in other rooms. If not Zhang Tie could manipulate water as a divine dominator or was very sensitive to water, Zhang Tie might barely notice it. Therefore, Zhang Tie always became alert. He didn't want to expose his greatest trump card. Therefore, unless an emergency, he would try his best to not stay in Castle of Black Iron too long; especially when there were a lot of immortal generals near him.

After returning to his room, Zhang Tie walked to his bed and sat down with crossed legs while digesting the fruit, waiting for Liu brothers...

Chapter 1666: Sharing Booties

As the fluid of fruits of redemption from the gratitude of golden uangs turned into bizarre pure and rich strength, it steadily spread over Zhang Tie's body and integrated with Zhang Tie's muscles, bones, meridians and blood vessels, increasing his strength unconsciously.

When Liu brothers came back and knocked at his door, the day had completely broken. By then, Zhang Tie had already digested the three fruits of redemption from the gratitude of golden uangs and a fruit of redemption from the gratitude of hairy shells. As a result, he gained over 200 kgs more strength. In addition, his defensive ability and striking-resistant ability strengthened by 1.6% respectively. In a short period of time, Zhang Tie had made a small stride.

That was got to be Zhang Tie. Within one or two hours, the others only made a trip around; however, Zhang Tie had grown a bit stronger even though he was just sitting there quietly. Gradually, the strength of the fruits flew into Zhang Tie's body like trickles and enabled him to compete with semi-sage level knights or sage-level knights without fear.

After the door was opened, Liu brothers hurriedly pushed in. With a faint flush, the brothers kept rubbing their hands as they couldn't cover their excitement.

"Do you take them back?" Zhang Tie asked with a smile.

"Yup!" Liu Meng replied as he nodded and gave the space-teleportation finger ring which he had been clutching tightly back to Zhang Tie.

Given their perceptive abilities, of course, the two brothers couldn't find Zhang Tie's change only after such a short period of time.

After taking the ring, Zhang Tie injected some spiritual energy into it as he saw eight huge sealed, locked iron boxes. He then nodded, asking, "Were you safe on the way?"

"Yup!" Liu Yong replied with a nod, "Oh, when we came back, we met Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan coming out of their rooms. They were heading for breakfast. We had a short chat with them. It's got to be safe despite they wondered why we're here for you..."

"Hahaha, let them take a guess then. Let's go and have breakfast too. After that, we will come back to share the booties. Fetch Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan here. They had joined the action too..." Zhang Tie said as he blinked his eyes.

The two brothers totally agreed with Zhang Tie's decision. Because this action was dominated by Zhang Tie since the beginning; additionally, Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan indeed fought the enemies to the end together with them that day. Watching Zhang Tie being so generous and bright, the two brothers determined their mind to follow his leadership.

"Nice, nice. If we take them all, I would always feel a bit weird when I see Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan again. It feels like being a thief!" Liu Meng said as he grinned.

"Let's go for breakfast..." Zhang Tie then left his room together with the two brothers.

It felt pleasant in the immortal palace except for the regulation that there were only two meals a day and no provisions in the afternoon. Therefore, Zhang Tie gotta get used to it. As for knights, they could fight for several days even without food in the toughest environment, not to mention having only two meals a day.

The canteen, especially for immortal generals in the immortal palace, was not far from their residence. The canteen was filled with delicious food and dishes. Zhang Tie had not imagined that food in Motian Realm was also tasty and bumper besides the strong bodies of people here due to the rich aura value here. Not only that, among the food, especially those greens and grains contained pretty much aura and nutrients, which could work as tunics for strengthening people's health. After coming to Motian Realm for a few days, Zhang Tie had already fallen in love with the food here.

When Zhang Tie's group got to the canteen, there were already six people there, including Jiang Ruoxin, Ji Yuelan and Leng Manxue. Before the three girls, there were three other immortal generals whom Zhang Tie saw for the first time.

One of them was like a handsome playboy in a snow-white garment; one was a tough bald guy who was a bit stronger than Liu brothers; the rest one was like a middle-aged teacher in the town.

When Zhang Tie made a spree killing that day, two of the three people were in cultivation in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace as they didn't know what happened outside. They didn't even know that Head Huang and Leng Manxue had left there. The handsome playboy might be not in Heavenly Square City over the past days.

In the canteen, Leng Manxue had one table alone with a strong qi field, with some fresh fruits and pastries over there. Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan had one. As for the other three, the handsome immortal

general had one table a bit closer to that of Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan and was enjoying his breakfast in a pretty elegant way as if he was doing a performance; the other two men shared one table.

The moment Zhang Tie's group entered, the six people in the canteen had moved their eyes on them. It was the three men's first time to see Zhang Tie. Therefore, they were all slightly shocked. When the handsome guy noticed the seven silver threads in the pattern of a dragon on Zhang Tie's sleeves, he slightly squinted while the other three women's eyes turned bright at once the moment they saw Zhang Tie.

At this moment, Zhang Tie had already changed a new set of outfit, especially for the deputy head. Compared to that when he got to the immortal palace for the first time, he was utterly different now. In black long robe with dragon pattern which fitted him pretty much, plus his young face, Zhang Tie looked pretty noble and profound.

As rough men, Liu brothers didn't have any feeling about Zhang Tie's look as they were of the same kind. However, Zhang Tie's change shocked the three women greatly.

As Zhang Tie was visualizing the new map through the jade slip all day long yesterday, it was his first time to show his new image to the three women.

After nodding at those beauties, Zhang Tie then selected his own breakfast from a myriad of food and dishes with Liu brothers. After that, Zhang Tie implied Liu brothers to sit down at the same table with Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan. As a result, Liu brothers' bodies rightly "isolated" Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan from that handsome guy's eyes...

"Nice clothes, deputy head..." Ji Yuelan ogled at Zhang Tie with a smile when she saw Zhang Tie sitting down.

As there were strangers aside them, Ji Yuelan said secretly using his battle qi which could only be heard by the six people at her table.

"Really? I also think it's nice. The tailers in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace should be awarded!" Zhang Tie replied. Closely after that, he took a great bite on the sweet pastry in his hand, feeling cool and comfortable all over. After that, Zhang Tie kept engulfing food regardless of the existence of the two beauties as he vaguely talked to Ji Yuelan, "Why do I feel strange with you only after one day? The day before yesterday, sister called me young brother; however, you're calling me deputy head today...hmm...you women are too capricious. Alas, a lot of spoony boys would be hurt by you..."

Previously, Jiang Ruoxin looked solemn. However, after hearing Zhang Tie's words, she almost burst into laughter. By contrast, Liu brothers still watched Zhang Tie out of admiration as they praised Zhang Tie's skill of conquering women so easily.

"If I called you young brother, wouldn't you feel offended..." Ji Yuelan asked with a smile as she felt that Zhang Tie remained unchanged. It felt pretty comfortable to be with Zhang Tie.

"Of course not. But if you called me that in front of Head Huang, he would feel that you were despising heads of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace and might give you smaller shoes(find you trouble) by then. By then, I would not help you..."

"Give me smaller shoes? What does that mean? Head Huang gotta get being not that tiresome modifying my shoes..." Ji Yuelan asked Zhang Tie while widely opening her eyes. At the same time, Jiang Ruoxin also watched Zhang Tie out of curiosity.

After hearing Ji Yuelan's question, Zhang Tie realized that there was not such a saying in Motian Realm. Therefore, he started to explain "giving smaller shoes" to them.

"Pah, it's got to be you!" Ji Yuelan threw a glance at Zhang Tie and Liu brothers as she turned a bit confused, asking, "Why do I feel that you three are hiding something from us today..."

Liu brothers then smirked quietly...

"Take food. After breakfast, we will show you something good!"

"We're almost full. What's that?" Ji Yuelan became curious at a stroke.

"Haha, you will know!"

"Couldn't it be here?"

"No, the others might get scared. We'd better take a look in the room!"

"Would you take advantage of us? We've seen a lot like that!"

"Haha, if you dare not go there, don't regret..."

"Hurrumph, forget about that..."

After a while, Leng Manxue finished her breakfast and left there first. Zhang Tie and Liu brothers finished their food too closely after her. Then, Zhang Tie pulled Ji Yuelan and Jiang Ruoxin's wrists and left there too accompanied by Liu brothers.

When he left there, Zhang Tie felt he was being gazed at. However, he didn't care about that. By now, Zhang Tie might take a look back if he felt being gazed by a sage-level knight or a semi-sage level knight. Weaker ones such as fierce earth generals and earth immortal generals couldn't arouse Zhang Tie's attention anymore. Although it sounded improper, it was proper. Would an elephant care about his image in the eyes of some ants?

Zhang Tie knew where the eye light came from. However, that handsome guy in white garment looked pretty delicate and was not of the same kind as him given his qi field. Zhang Tie knew that from his eating method. When Zhang Tie got to the canteen, that person had been glancing at him every once a while as if he was not happy about being isolated from enjoying the two beauties. However, he didn't ask for Liu brothers to remove their seats. Zhang Tie realized that this guy was a bit tricky. Even so, Zhang Tie didn't feel like caring about him. Regardless of what he was thinking about!

After coming to Zhang Tie's room, Ji Yuelan remained composed; however, Jiang Ruoxin became a bit flushed as if she didn't like being caught with her wrist by a man. On the way here, she thought about getting rid of Zhang Tie's grasp for a few times; however, she didn't do it as Jiang Ruoxin wanted to be as frank as Zhang Tie.

"Could you tell us what you're going to show us..." Ji Yuelan asked at once.

Zhang Tie took a look at Liu Meng, who had been following Zhang Tie, and he had long closed the door. Before entering the room, Liu Meng even looked around the aisle meticulously like a thief.

"Hehhehheh, we called you here to share booties!"

"Share booties?" The two women exchanged a suspicious glance with each other.

Zhang Tie instantly wove his arm while eight huge iron boxes appeared on the floor in the parlor, which startled the two women a lot.

Zhang Tie implied Liu Yong to open them. Liu Yong then walked over there to break one box's lock by pinching it. When a wisp of golden light flew out of the box, Liu Yong inhaled heavily as all the others became shocked except for Zhang Tie.

"Element crystals..." Liu brothers were shocked so much. Although they knew there were treasures in this box, they had really not realized that there were element crystals. As for the two fierce immortal generals, they were greatly attracted to treasures, not to mention element crystals which were the most precious items for immortal generals.

Watching their dumbfounded looks, Zhang Tie walked over there and opened the other seven boxes one after another.

In a split second, golden and blue lights had brightened Zhang Tie's room.

Six of the eight boxes contained earth element crystals while the other two contained water element crystals. Each box contained at least 1,000 element crystals.

Zhang Tie had seen too many element crystals, even more than these. Therefore, Zhang Tie didn't care about that at all. However, Zhang Tie underestimated the impact of these element crystals on the other four people in this room. Actually, the four people were in collective silence for quite a while in front of these element crystals...

Chapter 1667: The Legend about Mountain Ruins

"Where...where did you get these things from?" Ji Yuelan stammered as she looked at Zhang Tie after a few seconds of silence.

"Star Emperor Immortal Palace used these things to acquire Zi Clan Castle. I read this information from the brains of the young master of Zi clan in Heavenly Square Building. That day, after killing those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace in Zi Clan Castle, we found it inconvenient to take them back due to their weight. Therefore, I had Liu Yong and Liu Meng transfer them to a pond inside Zi Clan Castle. As space-teleportation equipment is available today, Liu Yong and Liu Meng have got them back!"

Zhang Tie said as he stroked his nose. The contents of his words were partly true. In fact, Zhang Tie saw these element crystals by his lotus flower eyes instead of from the brains of the young master of Zi clan. At that time, these boxes were put in a back room of Zi Clan Castle. After seeing them, Zhang Tie had Liu brothers move them into the pond. However, nobody doubted it because it sounded reasonable. If Zhang Tie told them the truth, they might be shocked.

"No wonder you visited young brother's room in the early morning like thieves..." Ji Yuelan understood it at once.

After clapping his hands to arouse their attention, Zhang Tie took out two space-teleportation finger rings. Then, he took out a lot of items from one of the two finger rings which included vials of pills and a long sword which was a silver secret item, saying, "Besides the eight boxes of element crystals, we've gained three space-teleportation finger rings, a nice long sword and some nice vials of pills. As for the other smaller ones, I would not take them out. Let's share them..."

"You want to share them with us?" Jiang Ruoxin asked as she took a deep glance at Zhang Tie.

"You bet. These are our booties. Of course, we got to share them..." Zhang Tie smirked.

Jiang Ruoxin then shook her head as she threw a glance at those element crystals and the three spaceteleportation finger rings, saying, "You found these things. As I've not spared any efforts on it, I'd better not share them with you..."

"Alas, I see. You're afraid of being involved in this case. No matter what, these things belong to Star Emperor Immortal palace. Suppose Star Emperor Immortal Palace dispatch people here for us..." Zhang Tie sighed as Liu brothers moved their eyes on Jiang Ruoxin at the same time, making the atmosphere in the room weird at a stroke.

"I don't mean it; I just..." Jiang Ruoxin hurriedly explained.

"If you want to share our booties, stay here; if you're afraid of being involved, you have the freedom to leave. The door is over there. I'm not gonna force others to share the risk with us. Trust me, if Star Emperor Immortal Palace got to us, I would keep the secret for you..."

Jiang Ruoxin became hesitant for a second. After taking a glimpse at Ji Yuelan, she sighed and stayed in the room quietly.

The atmosphere in the room finally recovered. Zhang Tie then revealed a smile as if he had made a successful trick. Clapping his hands, he said, "That's got to be you. We should share booties and risks together!"

Jiang Ruoxin threw a glare at Zhang Tie.

"How do you want to share these things?" Zhang Tie asked them.

"Ha, these things are all discovered by you. We brothers just went errands for you. We take your order!" Liu Meng said as he hardly moved his eyes away from the element crystals, sucking his saliva. Although Liu brothers were otherworldly, they were not greedy either. They would be satisfied if Zhang Tie distributed hundreds of element crystals to them. To be honest, the two brothers didn't spare too many efforts in Zi Clan Castle besides killing some b*stards and guards. They were already thrilled after knowing that Zhang Tie would share booties with them.

"I agree. I will take your order..." Ji Yuelan said as she watched Zhang Tie with a curious look. Compared to Liu brothers, Ji Yuelan was more interested in Zhang Tie's way of distribution than how many element crystals could she get.

"Well, I will make a decision then!" Zhang Tie said as he picked the middle one among the three finger rings, which looked a bit more senior and had larger space than the others. This space-teleportation finger ring belonged to that shadow knight also the water immortal general of Star Emperor Immortal Palace whom Zhang Tie had killed. "This space-teleportation finger ring, this long sword and this box of water element crystals belong to me!"

When he spoke, Zhang Tie directly put the long sword and one box of water element crystals into the finger ring.

After that, Zhang Tie threw one space-teleportation finger ring to Liu Yong, saying, "This finger ring and the four boxes of earth element crystals belong to you brothers. You could share them!" Zhang Tie then threw another space-teleportation finger ring to Ji Yuelan, saying, "This finger ring, two boxes of earth element crystals and one box of water element crystals belong to you and Jiang Ruoxin. You will share them..."

In Motian Realm, two earth element crystals could be exchanged for one water element crystals. After taking away his share, Zhang Tie distributed the rest into two pieces, one for Liu brothers, the other for Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan. As the space-teleportation finger ring could barely be shared, Zhang Tie had them tackle it themselves.

In the blink of an eye, Zhang Tie had shared the booties with them. After that, he found that the four people stayed still and watched him, he then shrugged and said, "What? Don't you like it?"

"Do...do you want to give this space-teleportation finger ring...and the four boxes of earth element crystals to us..." Liu Meng stammered as he watched Zhang Tie in an unbelievable way.

"Not enough?"

"Enough...enough..." Liu Meng flushed as he hurriedly wove his arm, adding, "It's...it's too much; too much..."

"Ha, forgot about it! If a mountain of element crystals are in front of you, you would be scared to death!" Zhang Tie forcefully slapped Liu Meng's shoulder, adding, "Well, move..."

After exchanging a glance with each other, Liu brothers directly put the four boxes of earth element crystals into the space-teleportation finger ring.

"Erm, I really wonder what kind of life you had when you didn't lose your memory. How could you dispose of so many element crystals in such a way? Did you get out of Mountain Ruins and lose your memory there..." Ji Yuelan sighed as she put three boxes of element crystals into the space-teleportation finger ring.

The term Mountain Ruins made Zhang Tie thrilled as he scratched his head, asking, "Oh, I really wonder what the hell is Mountain Ruins. It seems that only Mountain Ruins have element crystals across the Motian Realm. Additionally, it's said that most powerful humans and demons would have a duel in Mountain Ruins in every 360 years; but why?"

"Mountain Ruins is the most mysterious and dangerous place in Motian Realm. According to the legends, Mountain Ruins is the largest battlefield of humans and demons." Jiang Ruoxin answered, "Across Motian Realm, only Mountain Ruins have element crystals. Those who're able to enter

Mountain Ruins are at least wind immortal generals. It's said that wind immortal generals could only reach the periphery of Mountain Ruins after penetrating through the Ice and Fire Heavenly Wind Layer. However, element crystals only exist inside the Mountain Ruins, where only supreme immortal generals and immortal emperors could access to. Therefore, all the element crystals across the Motian Realm are basically monopolized by immortal palaces. The mandatory requirement for a person to establish an immortal generals. Without element crystals from inside Mountain Ruins and provide them to immortal generals. Without element crystals, they could not attract immortal generals at all; not to mention establishing an immortal palace. Besides element crystals, there are many dangerous and mysterious places inside Mountain Ruins that are said to have countless treasures such as our space-teleportation finger rings and various immortal equipment for senior immortal generals. Immortal generals are said to them at the risk of their lives..."

"The secret method for a supreme immortal general to promote to an immortal emperor is right in a secret place in the core of Mountain Ruins. That core region would open in every 360 years. Therefore, whenever that region opens, the most powerful humans and demons would rush over there and scramble for it in the Mountain Ruins. The core region of Mountain Ruins is the fiercest battlefield in Motian Realm." Ji Yuelan added.

'The secret method for a supreme immortal general to promote to an immortal emperor is right in the core region of Mountain Ruins?' Zhang Tie was shocked by this news. If this news was spread over Taixia Country, those sage-level knights would try every method they could to get to Motian Realm for the secret method to promote to an immortal emperor in Mountain Ruins.

"How long before Mountain Ruins reopens?" Zhang Tie asked.

"About 10 years or so. Therefore, Motian Realm is not safe recently as humans and demons are all longing for the secret method and the treasures inside Mountain Ruins!"

"Erm...immortal equipment is... Such as the long sword and the space-teleportation finger ring in your hands!" Ji Yuelan replied as she blinked her eyes towards Zhang Tie, "However, despite that long sword and the space-teleportation finger ring are rarities, they're common items in immortal equipment. They should be middle-class humanly immortal equipment. Above humanly immortal equipment, there're earthly immortal equipment and heavenly immortal equipment. Those wind immortal generals are going to Mountain Ruins for earthly immortal equipment!"

'Humanly immortal equipment got to be silver secret items while earthly and heavenly immortal equipment got to be golden secret items such as Heavens Ruler or immortal secret items such as Castle of Black Iron. Christ! A heavenly knight gets to have golden secret items in Mountain Ruins. Isn't Mountain Ruins full of treasures? Motian Realm is really such an endless treasure bank...'

When Zhang Tie recalled the hardships that he suffered from Heavens Ruler, he swallowed his saliva unconsciously.

Chapter 1668: The Powerful Fruit

After sharing booties and getting some information about Mountain Ruins from Liu brothers, Ji Yuelan and Jiang Ruoxin, Zhang Tie gained a lot. Although Zhang Tie wanted to learn more about Motian Realm,

Liu brothers who couldn't wait to count their bonus back in their rooms. Therefore, they bade a farewell to Zhang Tie. Watching the two brothers leaving, the two women also felt inconvenient in Zhang Tie's room. Even Ji Yuelan didn't feel like leaving there, she still left after Liu brothers in case of gossips.

Zhang Tie walked the four people out.

"If I insisted on leaving just now, what would you do?"

Jiang Ruoxin who had left Zhang Tie's room suddenly turned around and asked Zhang Tie secretly.

"Humph humph..." Zhang Tie sneered as he disguised to be vicious and replied secretly, "As you've already got on the ship with us, it's not up to you. As an insider, it is not that easy to let it go on the halfway. In case of trouble from Star Emperor Immortal Palace, I could only clear the witness!"

"Clear the witness?"

"Hmm, of course!" Zhang Tie said as he looked Jiang Ruoxin up and down, making her pretty uncomfortable. After that, Zhang Tie stroked his jaw, adding, "Heh heh, but it's a bit pitiful clearing such a beauty. According to regular rules, of course, I get to do something to you; then something else..."

"Bullsh*t!" Jiang Ruoxin threw a glare at Zhang Tie as she flushed.

"What are you talking about?" Ji Yuelan looked at Zhang Tie and Jiang Ruoxin out of suspicion when she noticed Jiang Ruoxin glaring at Zhang Tie with an abnormal expression. Liu brothers also turned around, making Jiang Ruoxin flush more heavily.

"Ahem ahem, nothing. We're discussing a very abstruse question..." Zhang Tie said solemnly.

"Really?" Ji Yuelan continued skeptically.

"Of course, it's an everlasting topic about men and women, trust and betray, survival and destruction, pleasure and pain, separation and integration!"

"Bullsh*t. How could you talk so much only in such a short period of time?"

"It's my precise conclusion. If you don't believe in me, you got to ask her..."

Jian Ruoxin remained silent while her face turned warmer. She then pulled Ji Yuelan away.

Only Liu brothers were still looking at Zhang Tie with worships. The two brothers didn't understand Zhang Tie's words; however, it didn't hinder their admiration for Zhang Tie. Now, especially after sharing booties, the two brothers felt Zhang Tie's words were always reasonable no matter what they were...

"Well, quick, I know you guys can't wait to pour out all the items and count them..." Zhang Tie wove his arm towards Liu brothers, driving them away.

Watching the four people leaving, Zhang Tie smiled as he closed his door. Then, he rotated the metal button beside the door from inside. As a result, a special mark appeared above the door outside, which indicated that the owner inside the room was in cultivation. Unless an emergency, nobody would disturb him anymore. This function was exclusive to rooms of immortal generals inside the immortal palace, which was like the board "In service" outside the door of rooms in hotels in subcontinents in the world where Zhang Tie came from. As long as this board was displayed, nobody would disturb him.

After sharing booties, Zhang Tie would focus on taking fruits, which counted most for him for the time being!

Before Liu brothers got back, Zhang Tie had already taken some fruits of redemption; however, he had not eaten the two most important fruits yet. It was not because Zhang Tie didn't want to eat them, but he was not allowed to digest the fruit of brilliance or fruit of bloodline in such a short time. The more important and powerful the fruits were, the longer it would take him to digest them completely. He couldn't finish them in only a couple of hours. If he couldn't digest them well, he might waste their energy and effects partly. Therefore, Zhang Tie put the work to the end.

Of course, Zhang Tie gained a lot from sharing the booties. Although those element crystals and spaceteleportation equipment could improve his battle strength, they could help Zhang Tie stabilize his position in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace and Motian Realm rapidly. At least, he would not feel alone with some friends and assistants. He was paying for righteousness.

Although Zhang Tie didn't mean to pay any trick, now that Liu brothers, Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan raided Zi Clan Castle and shared the booties of Star Emperor Immortal Palace, of course, they were in the same boat with Zhang Tie. As a result, their relationship became much closer than before.

As they had killed people and shared booties together, how couldn't their relationship be closer? Additionally, Zhang Tie's generous deed and sense of responsibility impressed the four people a lot and let them feel reliable.

Zhang Tie got back to his bed, legs crossed and entering Castle of Black Iron.

Zhang Tie immediately appeared under the small tree as he picked the splendent fruit of brilliance.

'I wonder how much spiritual energy does this fruit of the sage-level knight contain?' viewing the fruit in hand, Zhang Tie asked such a question inside.

After watching it for a short while, Zhang Tie burst into laughter as he widely opened his mouth. It took him three mouths to engulf the fruit of brilliance.

It was the most powerful one among all the fruits of brilliance that he had taken. This fruit contained all the spiritual energy of a sage-level human knight, the quantity and quality of which could never be matched by those in the previous fruits of brilliance and was out of Zhang Tie's imagination.

Soon after the fruit of brilliance entered his stomach, it had released its strength, making Zhang Tie change his face in a split second.

Zhang Tie felt like taking an erupting volcano instead of a fruit as the prodigious spiritual energy rushed all the way to his scalp, shocking his entire mind sea...

Chapter 1669: The Inaugural Ceremony

Two days later, on March 3rd, the 3584th year of Emperor Nvwa Calendar of Motian Realm, in the main hall of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City...

Today, the entire branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace looked pretty solemn. It had been furnished again all over. Soon after 9 am, deacons in black ceremonial robes and immortal soldiers in bright outfits had stood well in rows in the main hall. In the long horns that drifted across Heavenly Square City outside the main hall, Huang Baimei and Leng Manxue entered the main hall with those immortal generals who were ready to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. The inaugural ceremony for immortal generals through the bloody pledge was going to be held here officially today.

7 people were following Huang Baimei and Leng Manxue, who were respectively Liu brothers, Jiang Ruoxin, Ji Yuelan and the three strangers that Zhang Tie saw in the dining hall a couple of days ago. Each of the seven people was in a uniformed long robe and looked pretty serious and decent. They slowly followed the head and the general deacon towards the general altar under the statue of Dragon Emperor and the gaze of the other deacons and immortal soldiers.

At least, they were superficial. In fact, since they entered the main hall, Liu brothers, Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan had started to murmur secretly using battle qi. Although they closed their mouths superficially with serious looks, they could still communicate with each other freely.

"Where's Zhang Tie?" Ji Yuelan asked Liu brothers.

"He's not here yet. I went to see him this morning. Like yesterday, he was cultivating in his room!" Liu Meng answered right away.

"What the hell! He's indeed indolent..." Ji Yuelan mumbled. Only after two days of separation, Ji Yuelan had got bored.

"He's not indolent. If Zhang Tie did nothing and still got such a great battle strength, I would lose my confidence to further cultivate and doubt what I was doing over these years..." Jiang Ruoxin sighed, "These days, watching him enter closed cultivation in his room without even taking any food, I become composed as I find I'm not too stupid. I've gained some confidence. You reap what you sow. Powerful ones got to be more hard-working than others!"

"Yes, we brothers also think so. I got to say, we felt a bit scared when we saw Zhang Tie's performance a couple of days ago; we felt he was fake. However, after watching him work so hard these days, we feel him becoming a real person..." Liu Yong opened his mouth.

After sharing booties with Zhang Tie, Liu brothers, Jiang Ruoxin and Ji Yuelan became a bit closer to each other as they won more trust mutually. Therefore, they didn't have too many concerns when talking. Gradually, they had formed a small group in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City.

"With the connivance of Head, how could Zhang Tie not be allowed to join such an official occasion? Although we've already completed the bloody pledge a few days ago, we got to keep the other three company today..."

"Perhaps Head just hopes that Zhang Tie doesn't show up too many times. As for us, Head just wanted to ensure that we were going to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace a few days ago. Strictly, this ceremony is also not unnecessary. After all, our titles in the branch have not been fixed except for that of Zhang Tie. General deacon has told us what happened in Heavens Square Building and Zi Clan Castle that day was classified in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City. We should not expose it to the public; even the others in the immortal palace. We came over here to make it more secret..."

As they communicated with each other secretly, head and general deacon had already taken them to the location below the general altar.

After burning incenses, bowing and reading tributes to the statue, Huang Baimei in a serious hairstyle and violet golden crown turned around and watched them with a pretty solemn look.

"These days, Heavenly Square City saw a great accident. Zi clan was exterminated. Those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace were also killed in Heavenly Square City. Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace is mired in the swirl. No more people would like to join our branch these days. Therefore, the inaugural ceremony is held two days in advance so as to make you reassured..."

After hearing the head's words, Liu brothers, Ji Yuelan and Jiang Ruoxin felt strange as they exchanged a glance with each other. None of the immortal generals were idiots. As Heavenly Square City was chaotic recently; especially after those immortal generals of Star Emperor Immortal Palace were killed by Zhang Tie, many people were speculating how would Star Emperor Immortal Palace take revenge on the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City. Therefore, nobody came over here for a job anymore in case of trouble. That also explained why only a few immortal generals attended the inaugural ceremony today.

However, Zhang Tie alone was even more useful than dozens of common immortal generals. Therefore, Head Huang still remained composed when he talked. Because Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace didn't suffer a loss in this trade.

"Before the inaugural ceremony, you could think about it twice. If you want to exit, you could leave now. I would not force you to do that. However, as long as you join us, you got to follow the rules in Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace. Within 100 years, if anyone dares exit, you would be treated as traitors and chased wherever you're. You would not find a safe place in Motian Realm!" Huang Baimei said as he looked around them seriously, asking, "Have you made your decision?"

"I've made my decision. I would not regret joining Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace!"

The one who opened his mouth was the youth in white garment that Zhang Tie saw in the dining hall of the branch a couple of days ago. Today, he was in black garment and looked as handsome as before. As he said, he took a look at Jiang Ruoxin on his side. Jiang Ruoxin and this young man were both earth immortal generals who were more powerful than the other five.

"I've made a decision. I would like to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace!" Jiang Ruoxin said calmly and decently.

"Mee too..."

"Count me..."

"We brothers would like to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace..."

All seven people expressed their attitudes.

"Fine, now that you've all determined to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace, we're a family from today on. You would share felicity and troubles with Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace..." Head Huang declared as he turned around and removing a black cover over the general altar, exposing that 1.5 cm-long transparent crystal dragon, saying, "Those who want to join Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace please drop you blood on its head to complete this bloody pledge and become an official member of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace..."

The seven people then moved forward and accomplished the bloody pledge by turns.

Although it was their second time to do that, the four people accomplished it successfully without any side effect just like how they did the last time.

During this process, the four people finally knew that handsome young man was called Zhou Baifei, the tough bald guy was called Lu Tianqiang while the old teacher was called Xun Zizhou.

Since they met him in the dining hall, Zhou Baifei had been absent these couple of days. The other two were also frantic cultivators who kept cultivating in their rooms last day. As a result, the four people didn't have a chance to contact them until now.

Watching them finish the bloody pledge, Head Huang nodded, saying, "In the next, let's declare your titles in the immortal palace..."

"Zhou Baifei!"

"I'm here!" the handsome young man strode one step out as he answered in a muffled voice.

"You're appointed as the general priest of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City, with class VI silver dragon pattern as your title rank!"

"Yes, sir!" Zhou Baifei replied calmly. After making a hand gesture out of respect, he moved one step backward.

"Jiang Ruoxin..."

"I'm here!"

"You're appointed as the intelligence of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City with class V silver dragon pattern as your title rank!"

"Yes, sir!"

"Lu Tianqiang!"

"I'm here!"

"You're appointed as the military commander of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City; you're in charge of all the immortal soldiers and guards of the branch, with class III silver dragon pattern as the title rank!"

"Yes, sir!"

"Ji Yuelan!"

"I'm here!"

"You're appointed as general inspector of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City with class III silver dragon pattern as the title rank!"

"Yes, sir!"

"Liu Yong, Liu Qiang!"

After hearing their names, Liu brothers hurriedly moved one step forward, saying, "We're here!"

"You're respectively appointed as the two judges of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City with class II silver dragon pattern as the title rank!"

"Yes, sir..."

"Xun Zizhou!"

"I'm here!"

"You're appointed as the librarian of the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City with class II silver dragon pattern as the title rank!"

"Yes, sir!"

Only after a short while, all the seven people had been granted with titles and ranks in the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace in Heavenly Square City.

"After joining the immortal palace, within three years, each of you would get 10 element crystals per month; namely 10 earth element crystals for fierce immortal generals and 10 water element crystals for earth immortal generals. Three years later, your compensation would be distributed according to your titles and ranks. In addition, 10 years later, you would be qualified to access to the Classics Pavilion and the Secret Palace of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace and enjoy numerous resources over there. Although Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace faces troubles for the time being, we could tackle them. Hopefully, we could unite with each other and help each other and push Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace to its apex in 100 years so as to live up to our expectation!" Huang Baimei encouraged all of them.

"Yes, sir!"

"If you have any questions about Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace, you could ask me now..." Huang Baimei's tone turned mild at a stroke after the inaugural ceremony.

The others exchanged a glance with each other quietly. Only Zhou Baifei strode one step forward as he asked, "Head, I saw a young man in the immortal palace a few days ago. He's already Class VII like the deputy head. I wonder whether he's also a member of our immortal palace. I always admire talents and would like to learn from him..."

"He's Zhang Tie, the deputy head of our branch. As he's in cultivation, I allow him to not participate in this ceremony. You got to get closer..."

"Oh..." Zhou Baifeng replied as a shrewd light flashed across his eyes. Closely after that, he moved backward...

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As they were gathering in the main hall, they didn't know that Zhang Tie was suffering a complete change in the void above his mind sea at the critical moment...

Chapter 1670: Breaking the Void

Zhang Tie was immersed in the great spiritual energy brought by that fruit of brilliance; as a result, he couldn't attend the inaugural ceremony. Since he took the fruit, he had been involved in the storm and shock brought by enormous spiritual energy contained in the fruit...

If people didn't eat food, they would die; conversely, if people ate too much, they would also die. Similarly, people would die if they didn't take a breath; conversely, people would be intoxicated if they inhaled too much oxygen. After consuming so much spiritual energy in such a short period of time, Zhang Tie couldn't adapt to it as he was almost submerged by the suddenly surging spiritual energy.

Heavenly Hunyuan might not be the most powerful sage-level knight in Taixia Country; however, undoubtedly, as a head of top six sects, he was absolutely a human powerhouse.

Sage-level knights were a top existence among knights. An experienced sage-level knight's spiritual energy was essentially different than that of heavenly knights such as Han Zhengfang in quality and quantity, not to mention the others below heavenly knight.

Although Zhang Tie didn't know the realm of sage-level knight, he knew that the strength of a sage-level knight's realm was closely related to the strength of his spiritual energy. He could imagine the great strength of a sage-level knight's spiritual energy which rooted for the latter's sage-level realm.

Since he took the fruit of brilliance, Zhang Tie had lost his feeling about time as all of his senses had been occupied by the spiritual energy of the fruit.

The unexpected prodigious spiritual energy erupted in the space of Zhang Tie's mind sea like a volcanic eruption and integrated with Zhang Tie's own. The entire space of Zhang Tie's mind sea was rocking like experiencing a Magnitude Nine earthquake on the Richter scale in the storm, shocking each cell of Zhang Tie all over and making his qi and blood boil like flying dragons. On this occasion, besides absorbing spiritual energy, Zhang Tie was also trying every means to slow down the release of the spiritual energy from the fruit.

Previously, Zhang Tie took fruits of brilliance freely. However, this time, when Zhang Tie tried to control the release speed of the spiritual energy of the fruit of brilliance, he realized it was pretty difficult. Even though Zhang Tie could control each organ, each muscle and each cell, he still couldn't make it as the spiritual energy of the fruit of brilliance started to present its own state and change after being taken. Even though Zhang Tie tried every effort he could, he could only reduce the release speed of spiritual energy by one-third even if he had shrunk the contact area between his stomach and the fluid of the fruit.

Zhang Tie wanted this process to go through a bit slower and smoother; however, he found it was almost impossible. Sand beach and rocks could buffer sea waves; however, when a terrifying tsunami surged over, its power could still be intolerant even though sand beach and rocks could work to a certain degree.

With the surging spiritual energy, the stars in the void above his mind sea started to illuminate one after another. Zhang Tie could feel that all the stars in the void were gradually lit one by one from over 100 bright stars at the beginning to 360 stars in the end. As a result, the entire void above his mind sea became star-studded and extremely brilliant.

If this scene was presented to the public, it would be absolutely fascinating. Any women who saw it would scream.

Zhang Tie wanted to scream too; however, it was not because of excitement. After lighting up all the 360 stars, Zhang Tie felt that his brains were going to burst. A tin could only contain 0.5 kg sardines; but if 2.5 kg sardines were foisted into it, of course, it would burst. Therefore, the entire space of mind sea became so swollen that it was going to burst.

Even so, the spiritual energy was still constantly surging into the space of Zhang Tie's mind sea like a tsunami.

Meanwhile, the two bright moons in the void above his mind sea started to absorb spiritual energy as they gradually turned brighter and bigger while giving out splendent light, which reflected with the stars over the void. As a result, the entire space of Zhang Tie's mind sea turned as bright as daytime. Like a sacred church, the entire space of his mind sea was filled with golden light.

As the two bright moons grew larger and larger like swollen balloons, Zhang Tie felt his mind sea more and more crowded as if it was going to explode.

When the branch of Dragon Emperor Immortal Palace was holding an inaugural ceremony, Zhang Tie's two bright moons had reached their limits in scale; Zhang Tie reached his limit in pain too. The changes of the two bright moons caused Zhang Tie's right and left brains to expand at the same time, one like fire, the other like ice. The pain was absolutely out of one's imagination...

In a split second, Zhang Tie was afraid that his brain would suddenly explode from inside like a rotten watermelon.

The spiritual energy of the fruit of brilliance was still pouring in the space of his mind sea constantly as if it would never come to an end. However, the space of Zhang Tie's mind sea had been extremely limited. The two moons were still growing larger and brighter as if they wanted to come out of his head...

'No, no. I have to stop them.'

All of a sudden, a light flashed by. Even Zhang Tie didn't know why he suddenly had such strong intuition and aspiration and instinct for taking an action. Zhang Tie immediately realized that the two bright moons were as vacant as sponge and ores which were not quenched yet. If he didn't want his brains to explode, he had to compress and quench the two moons by turning them smaller and integrating them into one.

'Break...'

With a boom, the entire space started to rock. Zhang Tie gathered his full spiritual energy and strong will and struck against the expanding bright moons like triggering a strike of the divine dominator.

The moons rocked a second; however, they continued to expand by absorbing the spiritual energy.

'Break...'

'Break...'

'Break...'

Zhang Tie gritted his teeth as he used his full efforts to strike against the two bright moons. In a second, he launched strikes which were hundreds of times powerful while the loud sounds resonated the entire space of mind sea...

The invisible battle in the space of his mind sea could absolutely match the duel between him as a divine dominator and a top powerhouse. The two expanding moons brought Zhang Tie sharp pains. Meanwhile, the endless, surging spiritual energy brought by the swollen moons granted Zhang Tie with great energy and power. As a result, his invisible strikes were growing more and more destructive.

It sounded a bit weird but Zhang Tie was tackling a strength using the same strength.

Boom, boom,

Finally, the moment the two splendent moons contacted each other like two swollen balloons, they had faced Zhang Tie's most powerful strike as the entire void above Zhang Tie's mind sea became still in the split second.

Boom...

The entire void above his mind sea turned white while breaking apart...