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### Chapter 491: One With The Weapon, Immortal and Indestructible (1)

Yin Wuyou had left the Demon Realm and returned to the Ten Nations Continent, so Zhou Shu could only let Mi Ziwen arrange for a few armored soldiers to carry him back to the camp on a stretcher.

With the help of the divine weapon Ming Hong, Zhou Shu's cultivation had surpassed the first rank of the Martial Dao and entered the Earth Immortal realm that Shi Changsheng had mentioned.

His strength had increased, but the aftereffects of the divine ability Total Annihilation didn't change.

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After defeating Demon Queen Tushan, Zhou Shu fell into a weakened state.

Fortunately, this place was a remote area in the Demon Realm. On their way back, they didn't encounter any powerful demonic beasts. Mi Ziwen dealt with the ordinary demonic beasts.

Mi Ziwen and the Hundred Wars Armored Army looked a little down.

Before the expedition, they were in high spirits and went with the intention of making a fortune.

In the end, not only did they not get a windfall, but they also lost nearly half of their comrades.

In the Demon Realm, the number of the Ten Nations Alliance was not high to begin with, and now that hundreds of them had died, it was definitely a huge loss.

"Big Brother, you can't blame yourself for this. It's my responsibility," Zhou Shu said. "I knew that there was something wrong with Yin Yuzhu, but I still sent you over. I was inconsiderate."

"Second Brother, you don't have to comfort me." Mi Ziwen smiled bitterly. "I still have this bit of endurance. When leading troops to war, how can we win all the time? If we lose, we lose. There's no excuse."

"I'm the commander-in-chief of the Hundred Wars Armored Army. Naturally, I'll bear this responsibility."

"I knew that there was something wrong with Yin Yuzhu too. To be honest, I underestimated my opponent."

All of them knew that there was something wrong with Yin Yuzhu, but they had underestimated her. From the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space to the Demon Realm, they still had a foothold. Although they had suffered heavy losses along the way, it had to be said that the people who survived were more or less proud.

They had subconsciously thought that the Demon Realm was not as terrifying as the rumors said.

Weren't they living pretty well?

Although Mi Ziwen and the others didn't say it explicitly, they hadn't taken Yin Yuzhu seriously in their hearts. She was only a first-rank martial artist. Plenty of first-rank martial artists had died in front of them.

They had all forgotten that whether in the Ten Nations Continent or the Demon Realm, a first-rank martial artist was already at the top of the pyramid.

Any first-rank martial artist was not an ordinary existence.

Zhou Shu could easily kill a first-rank martial artist, but it didn't mean that they could underestimate a first-rank martial artist.

To put it bluntly, Zhou Shu's previous performance and the rapid increase in their cultivation had deluded them.

This delusion had led them to such a crushing defeat.

Otherwise, even though Yin Yuzhu's cultivation was much higher than theirs, if they had been careful enough, they might not have had so many casualties.

"I didn't expect a Demon King to be so despicable." Zhou Shu shook his head. "The Demon King schemed against us. It's already a blessing in disguise that we only lost a few hundred people."

Zhou Shu meant what he said.

If Demon Queen Tushan had acted up when she first entered the camp, even Zhou Shu wouldn't have been able to stop her.

She alone could slaughter the Ten Nations Alliance Army. Even Zhou Shu himself would have to rely on luck to escape.

At that time, even if Zhou Shu used his divine ability Total Annihilation, he would still be far from being a match for Tushan.

Fortunately, she had other intentions and had lured the Hundred Wars Armored Army to the foot of the Weapon Burial Mountain.

If not for the countless remnant weapons in the Weapon Burial Mountain, Zhou Shu wouldn't have been able to forge the divine weapon Ming Hong.

Without the Ming Hong Saber, he wouldn't have been able to break through to the Earth Immortal realm.

Without breaking through to the Earth Immortal realm, he wouldn't have had the strength to fight Demon Queen Tushan.

Speaking of which, Tushan was too smart for her own good. She had dug a hole for herself!

Now that Zhou Shu was already at the Earth Immortal realm, coupled with the connate divine weapon the Ming Hong Saber and his divine ability Total Annihilation, he could already fight a Demon King!

He had cut off one of Tushan's tails and forced her to flee in panic.

Although she was not top-notch among Demon Kings in terms of combat strength, since Zhou Shu could cut off one of her tails, it meant that he was no longer at a loss when facing other Demon Kings.

If a Demon King really attacked, Zhou Shu would at least have a chance of defeating him.

“This can be considered a lesson,” Zhou Shu said seriously. “The Demon Realm is much more dangerous than we imagined. We’re behind enemy lines now, and there are dangers everywhere. We really can’t let our guard down for a moment.”

Mi Ziwen nodded. This was a stain on his leadership history. He would remember this experience and reflect on it in the future. He must not make similar mistakes again.

“Second Brother, that Demon Queen went through a lot of trouble to get us to help her find that Kun Wu Saber.”

Mi Ziwen pondered. He had heard what Demon Queen Tushan and Zhou Shu had said. Thinking back to Tushan’s behavior since she appeared, he had some guesses.

“From what she said, I’d say she wants to do something and needs a divine weapon,” Zhou Shu said. “Ordinary heaven-grade weapons must not be able to meet her requirements. Only connate weapons can. When she saw my Ming Hong Saber, she said that if she had known earlier, she wouldn’t have needed to go through so much trouble. This means that what she needs is not the Kun Wu Saber but a connate weapon!”

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“Connate weapon?” Mi Ziwen said doubtfully.

The concept of connate weapons was still confined to the group of forgers. Mi Ziwen didn’t know about it.

Zhou Shu explained briefly and then said, “This Demon King is extremely powerful, and it’s very difficult to kill her. Since I’ve failed to kill her this time, the location of our camp is no longer a secret.”

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Zhou Shu’s expression was solemn. When he entered the Dream Realm, he had learned that Demon Queen Tushan was a unique Demon King in the Demon Realm. She had always been alone and didn’t have an army of demonic beasts under her.

But it was hard to say if she would cooperate with other Demon Kings and send an army to besiege the Huaxia Pavilion’s Demon Realm branch.

She knew where the Huaxia Pavilion’s Demon Realm branch was.

He had to guard against this.

“If all else fails, we can retreat deep into the cave. It won’t be easy for them to find us,” Mi Ziwen said in a deep voice. The karst cave where the Huaxia Pavilion’s Demon Realm branch was ran extremely deep and extended in all directions.

They had been there for so long, but they hadn't explored the limits of the cave.

"Let's get ready first." Zhou Shu pondered. "Demon Queen Tushan has no troops. With her personality, she might not cooperate with other Demon Kings."

Mi Ziwen blinked. He really wanted to ask Zhou Shu, *Are you sure you know her character?*

*That Demon Queen has an unpredictable personality. Who can guess what she'll do?*

"I'm more curious about what she wants to do that needs a connate divine weapon," Zhou Shu said.

"Second Brother, is a connate divine weapon very powerful?" Mi Ziwen asked curiously. "Will Tushan's strength increase greatly after obtaining the Kun Wu Saber?"

"Connate divine weapons are very powerful, maybe even more powerful than you think, Big Brother," Zhou Shu said seriously. "Tushan lost to me only because she had just obtained the Kun Wu Saber and hadn't refined it into an intrinsic divine weapon. Otherwise, I might not have been able to defeat her."

"Connate divine weapons are different from acquired weapons. Connate divine weapons can be refined into intrinsic divine weapons by martial artists. This way, connate divine weapons will be connected to the meridians of martial artists. While strengthening the meridians of martial artists, they can also nurture the power of connate divine weapons."

"Let's put it this way. The longer a martial artist nourishes a connate divine weapon, the greater its power will be. If it can really be nurtured for hundreds of years, it will only be a matter of time before the martial artist's strength increases by several times."

Mi Ziwen's expression changed slightly. It was against common sense for martial artists to increase their strength by several times. If it wasn't his second brother saying it, he wouldn't even believe it.

"Are connate divine weapons really that powerful?" Mi Ziwen murmured.

"A connate divine weapon, one with the weapon. This is a way to pursue breaking through the limits of the human body," Zhou Shu said in a low voice. "In extreme situations, you can even treat weapons as human bodies and become immortal."

Zhou Shu thought of Shi Changsheng. Shi Changsheng's current state should be similar to what he said.

He used the Longevity Sword as his body. As long as the Longevity Sword was not destroyed, he would not be destroyed.

As a connate divine weapon, under normal circumstances, it wouldn't be a problem for the Longevity Sword to exist for tens of thousands of years.

As for martial artists? A first-rank martial artist only had a lifespan of 300 to 500 years. An Earth Immortal could double their lifespan, but they only had a lifespan of less than a thousand years.

Zhou Shu didn't know about Grotto Heaven masters, but he estimated that they would at most live for thousands of years.

Compared to connate divine weapons, thousands of years was really nothing.

Of course, relying on a connate divine weapon to be immortal wasn't as simple as Zhou Shu made it out to be. Just nurturing the connate divine weapon to the point where a human soul could reside in it required a lot of time and effort.

Mi Ziwen opened his mouth, the shock on his face not even fading.

He looked at Zhou Shu and hesitated for a long time before finally saying nothing.

Although Mi Ziwen was rich, a connate divine weapon was probably not something that money could buy.

He didn't want his greed to damage the brotherhood between him and Zhou Shu.

Zhou Shu didn't think too much about it. If there was a chance, he didn't mind helping Mi Ziwen forge a connate divine weapon.

But from the looks of it, the materials in the camp were no longer enough to forge another connate weapon.

If nothing else, the Heaven Refining Stone had almost been exhausted.

Although they had brought a lot of forging materials over from the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space, they still had to supply the entire Ten Nations Army with weapons and equipment. It was impossible for them to use all of them to forge connate divine weapons.

The strength of connate divine weapons was in their growth potential. Without nurturing, their power was only slightly stronger than heaven-grade weapons.

"Second Brother, do you have any instructions on how we should guard against that Demon Queen Tushan?"

Mi Ziwen had to rush to discuss countermeasures with Meng Bai and the others. The location of this camp was no longer a secret. All their strategic deployments had to be adjusted accordingly.

Zhou Shu usually didn't interfere in these matters and left them to the various generals. As Zhou Shu's elder brother and Meng Bai's personal disciple, Mi Ziwen was qualified to participate.

"No," Zhou Shu blurted out. He suddenly paused and waved his hand. "Wait. Where's Tushan's tail?"

"In the storeroom," Mi Ziwen said, puzzled. The body of a Demon King was, in a sense, a natural treasure. They certainly wouldn't abandon it.

Zhou Shu looked thoughtful. "Where's Little Lu? How is she?"

"In order to resist Tushan, Miss Lu forcefully used a forbidden technique, but she was interrupted by Tushan. Tushan didn't intend to kill her, so her injuries aren't too serious," Mi Ziwen said.

Zhou Shu nodded. After pondering for a moment, he said, "Big Brother, please help me call Little Lu over. Also, go find General Meng and the others later. Let me figure out what Tushan wants the connate divine weapon for!"

Mi Ziwen looked puzzled, but he still followed Zhou Shu's instructions and went to find Lu Wenshuang.

Lu Wenshuang's face was pale, and she walked unsteadily.

But her situation was still better than Zhou Shu's.

Zhou Shu, who was in a weakened state, didn't even have the strength to walk!

"Little Lu, how are your injuries?" Zhou Shu asked.

"Thank you for your concern, Master. It's nothing serious. I'll be fine after resting for a few days," Lu Wenshuang said.

"That's good." Zhou Shu nodded. "Don't be so rash next time. Remember, if you can't win, run. Where there's life, there's hope. You're still so young. It's not embarrassing to lose to a Demon King."

"Got it," Lu Wenshuang said unhappily. She wasn't unhappy because she had lost. She was unhappy because Zhou Shu looked down on her and because she had dragged him down.

Lu Wenshuang wasn't afraid of losing, but she wasn't willing to be a burden, nor was she willing to be underestimated, especially by Zhou Shu!

Zhou Shu pondered. "I have an assignment for you first. Let me make this clear first. This mission isn't compulsory. Whether you do it or not is up to you."

"I'll do it," Lu Wenshuang said firmly before Zhou Shu could finish speaking.

"I haven't finished—"

"Master, would you deliberately harm me?" Lu Wenshuang asked.

"Of course not. After all, you're my only disciple, though only in name—"

"That'll do." Lu Wenshuang said. "Master, you won't harm me. Then, as long as I can help you, I'll do it."

She, Lu Wenshuang, was definitely not a woman who would only drag others down!

"Alright." Zhou Shu pondered for a moment and said, "I have a divine ability that can let you..."

His lips moved, but no sound came out. Even though they were inside the camp, he still used his voice transmission technique.

Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique was too heaven-defying. It was better for fewer people to know about it. After all, no one was willing to let their secrets be easily pried into.

Lu Wenshuang's expression kept changing. She frowned and relaxed.

Lu Wenshuang opened her mouth but couldn't help asking, "Master, have you ever used this on me?"

"Nonsense, of course not! Am I that kind of person?!" Zhou Shu shouted. "If I was willing to use it on a woman, why would I need you? I could use it on Tushan myself! If you dare to doubt me again, I'll punish you according to the family law!"

**Chapter 493: Entering Tushan's Dream and Doing Something Big (1)**

Mi Ziwen stood outside Zhou Shu's room with his hand on the hilt of his sword. If not for his temperament, he would really look like a gate god.

Mi Ziwen had a strange look on his face as he listened to the moans occasionally coming from the room.

*Second Brother is really our role model.*

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*Unexpectedly, although Miss Lu is usually cold, she is naturally charming. Just hearing her voice makes my bones itch.*

Mi Ziwen felt that he was a little perverted. He forcefully sealed his hearing and told himself not to listen to the walls but look straight ahead. According to Zhou Shu, no one was allowed to disturb him.

He was also a little helpless. He had ranked third in the imperial examination and was one of the top few existences in the Great Xia military. When had he ever thought that he would one day do something like guarding the door?

Zhou Shu was having a good time in his room, but he wanted him to guard the door outside?

If not for Zhou Shu's serious tone, Mi Ziwen would have felt that Zhou Shu was deliberately humiliating him.

In the room, Zhou Shu felt a little helpless.

He looked at Lu Wenshuang, who was lying on the bed, enveloped in a faint white light. He felt a lump in his throat and the urge to have a nosebleed.

How could he have thought that Lu Wenshuang would have such a reaction after she entered the dream?

Lu Wenshuang was lying on the bed, her delicate body twisting back and forth as if she had no bones. This feeling was like she had become a cat lounging around...

It made one want to stroke the cat...

Zhou Shu circulated the Visualization of the Five Mountains' True Form to keep himself sane. If not for the fact that he was afraid that something would happen to Lu Wenshuang, he would have gone out. Looking at her like this, it would be awkward if she twisted out of her clothes...

Zhou Shu had used his divine ability to share the Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique with Lu Wenshuang, allowing her to use the tail left behind by the Demon Queen Tushan as a medium to enter Tushan's dream!

This was actually very risky.

Lu Wenshuang had never cultivated the Visualization of the Five Mountains' True Form. Even though she was a first-rank martial artist and her mental strength was much stronger than that of ordinary people, it was hard to say if she could withstand the impact of entering a dream.

Actually, it would be better if Zhou Shu entered the dream himself. But Demon Queen Tushan was a demoness. Although it sounded exciting, Zhou Shu didn't want to experience the feeling of being a demoness...

What if it made him neither male nor female? Wouldn't he suffer a great loss?

Not to mention him, even Zhou Shu wouldn't let Yin Wuyou enter the dream of Demon Queen Tushan.

But Lu Wenshuang was different. Even Zhou Shu admired her determination.

This woman's obsession with the Martial Dao surpassed everything else.

From the fact that she had acknowledged Zhou Shu as her master despite her age and identity, it could be seen that she was definitely not an ordinary person.

Only with such determination could she withstand the impact of the Zhuang Zhou Dream Butterfly Technique.

Time passed bit by bit. Zhou Shu endured the greatest temptation in the world. He felt that he was really a saint!

After an unknown period of time, the white light on Lu Wenshuang's body suddenly disappeared. Her body twisted, revealing a large area of snow-white skin under her clothes. Then she slowly opened her eyes.

Her eyes were full of confusion and vicissitudes. Finally, they landed on Zhou Shu, and the focus in her pupils gradually condensed.

Lu Wenshuang panted heavily. After a long time, she finally calmed down, drenched in sweat.

After another hour of silence, she looked at Zhou Shu with a complicated expression. "Master, is this your unique divine ability? Did you become stronger so quickly because of this divine ability?"

He could experience the realm of an expert in a dream for decades. If he could persevere through it, the benefits he would obtain would be immeasurable!

While Lu Wenshuang was shocked, she also felt a chill down her spine.

This Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique was really too heaven-defying.

With it, everyone in the world had no secrets to Zhou Shu.

As long as he wanted, he could know everything about a person, including cultivation techniques!

Yes, Lu Wenshuang's first thought was actually cultivation techniques...

"You're thinking too much." Zhou Shu glanced at Lu Wenshuang and knew what she was thinking. "The Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique isn't as powerful as you think. Let me ask you. If I asked you to do it again, are you sure you could still be you?"

Lu Wenshuang was stunned and instantly sweated profusely. The sweat soaked her clothes and stuck to her body, revealing her incomparably beautiful figure.

She didn't seem to notice it. Currently, she only felt great horror. *Yes, if I did it once more, could I still be myself?*

After waking up, she felt that she had really become Demon Queen Tushan.

If not for her master, she might not have remembered who she was.

She had just entered one Demon Queen's dream. If she entered more dreams, she would really go crazy.

"The Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique is very dangerous to use. Unless necessary, I won't use it casually," Zhou Shu continued. "My cultivation has nothing to do with this technique. I can become stronger so quickly because I'm a genius..."

"You seem to be awake now, but the influence of the technique is still there. Over the next few days, you have to move around more and interact more with familiar people to try and minimize the influence of the dream."

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Even with Zhou Shu's mental strength, after entering a dream, he had to cultivate the God of War Catalog with Yin Wuyou to completely eliminate the effects of entering the dream, let alone Lu Wenshuang.

"In your dream, did you ever learn the true purpose of Demon Queen Tushan?" Zhou Shu asked.

Lu Wenshuang's face revealed a thoughtful expression, and her delicate body involuntarily twisted.

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Her clothes were already drenched in sweat and somewhat hugged her figure. When she twisted, she exuded an indescribable charm that almost made Zhou Shu's nose bleed.

In the past, Lu Wenshuang definitely didn't have such allure!

Although she was beautiful, she was expressionless and cold. Unlike now, her every move, despite not being deliberate, revealed infinite charm.

This was the aftereffect of her entering the dream of Demon Queen Tushan!

*But this aftereffect didn't seem like a bad thing...* Zhou Shu thought. *I wonder which man will benefit from this in the future.*

Lu Wenshuang also noticed her change. Her pretty face instantly turned red. She sat up straight and said with a straight face, "Tushan wants a connate weapon because he wants to open the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain!"

"Armory?" Zhou Shu raised his eyebrows. "Tell me more clearly."

"Tushan didn't just discover the Weapon Burial Mountain of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain. She also discovered the location of the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain," Lu

Wenshuang said. "The Weapon Burial Mountain is where weapons were buried in the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain. The armory is the storage room of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain."

Zhou Shu's Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique was already very powerful. If he personally used it, he could enter a dream for a hundred years.

But when he used his divine ability Unparalleled Benevolence to share it with others, the level would be halved. This was enough for Lu Wenshuang to enter the Demon Queen Tushan dream for 50 years.

Fifty years was almost twice Lu Wenshuang's true age, but it was actually nothing to the long lifespan of Tushan.

Therefore, Lu Wenshuang didn't really come into contact with many secrets of Tushan.

Fortunately, the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain happened to be discovered by Tushan in the past 50 years.

Zhou Shu rubbed his chin and fell into deep thought.

Lu Wenshuang stole a glance at Zhou Shu. Seeing that he was deep in thought, she secretly adjusted her clothes. She noticed that her curves had been exposed just now, and her face turned slightly red.

Even though she was determined, she was still an unmarried girl. She was still a little embarrassed to be like this in front of a man.

When she thought of the unspeakable secrets of Demon Queen Tushan when she entered the dream, Lu Wenshuang felt her face burning.

She stole a glance at Zhou Shu. For some reason, she felt an itch in her heart.

"The Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain is the ancestral home of the art of forging. I wonder how many good things there are in the armory." Zhou Shu pondered. To be able to tempt a Demon King was enough to show how precious the armory was.

"If we can rob that armory..." Zhou Shu started calculating. Although the Huaxia Pavilion had the gains from the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space, these gains wouldn't last long.

After all, there were still 30,000 allied soldiers here that needed to be armed. If they could obtain the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain's armory, it might solve their lack of supplies.

But it wasn't that easy to snatch food from the mouth of Demon Queen Tushan.

Although Zhou Shu had cut off one of her tails last time, it was only because of his weapon.

If she completely refined the Kun Wu Saber, it was really uncertain who would win the next time they fought.

"Little Lu, think about it. If you were her, what would you do to our camp now?" Zhou Shu asked.

For a long time, he didn't hear an answer. He looked up curiously and saw Lu Wenshuang lost in thought with a silly smile on her face.

"Little Lu!" Zhou Shu frowned. *Has she not returned to her senses?*

His shout carried the power of the Five Mountains' True Form.

Lu Wenshuang shuddered and regained her senses. "Master, what did you say?"

"Let me ask you this. If you were Demon Queen Tushan, what would you do now? Would you find other Demon Kings to cooperate with and surround our camp?" Zhou Shu repeated himself.

"How is that possible!" Lu Wenshuang blurted out. "How can I allow other demon kings to participate in such a fun matter?"

She said it almost without thinking. She was stunned after saying it

It didn't sound like her.

Zhou Shu looked at her and felt relieved.

Lu Wenshuang was still under the influence of the dream. Her reaction should be the reaction of Demon Queen Tushan.

From the looks of it, the camp shouldn't have to worry about being surrounded by a Demon Realm army for the time being. But it was obvious that Tushan wouldn't let this go.

"Little Lu, do you know where the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain is?" Zhou Shu asked.

"The entrance to the armory is in the chambers of Tushan..." Lu Wenshuang frowned.

Demon Queen Tushan didn't actually live there. She had discovered the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain, so she had moved to the place where they had encountered her before.

She was alone and could move freely. Moreover, as a Demon King, wherever she lived, the demon beasts had to give up their space.

Zhou Shu: "..."

These demonic beasts were too crude.

Moving to wherever they found something good...

"Think again. How did Tushan discover the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain?" Zhou Shu pondered.

First, it was the Weapon Burial Mountain and then the armory. If this was a coincidence, it would be too much of a coincidence.

It would be more accurate to say that she was deliberately searching for the ruins of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain.

But why was a Demon King looking for human ancient ruins?

At the same time, Zhou Shu was very curious as to how she had found the armory and Weapon Burial Mountain of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain.

Zhou Shu didn't know about the armory, but he had seen the Weapon Burial Mountain with his own eyes. If he didn't know that it was the Weapon Burial Mountain, even if he passed by it, he would only think that it was an ordinary small mountain.

Under normal circumstances, the remnant weapons in the Weapon Burial Mountain wouldn't release any aura, let alone that divine weapon.

"I don't know." Lu Wenshuang shook her head. She could only enter the dream for fifty years. She didn't know what had happened more than fifty years ago.

"But I know where Tushan hides her things!" Lu Wenshuang's eyes lit up, and her tone was brimming with excitement that she didn't even notice.

In the past, she had a cold personality. But now, when she thought of something fun, she felt a little impulsive...

"Tushan's own things?" Zhou Shu was stunned.

"That's right," Lu Wenshuang said excitedly. "Tushan has lived for countless years. She has a lot of good things in her collection.

"She doesn't have a Cosmic Bangle, and a void beast can't hold much, so she has a secret base of her own.

"Now that she's keeping an eye on the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain, we can take this opportunity to raid her secret base and piss her off!"

Lu Wenshuang waved her small fists, looking like she was getting her revenge.

Zhou Shu: "..."

*That's a really good idea!*

Demon Queen Tushan would never have thought that someone would know about her secret base!

Zhou Shu's eyes lit up. He seemed to have discovered an incredible usage of the Zhuang Zhou Butterfly Dream Technique...

Which of these Demon Kings in the Demon Realm didn't have a secret collection?

"Is her secret base far from here? Are there any guards?" Zhou Shu asked.

"It's not that close to here," Lu Wenshuang said. "She set up a lot of traps there, but there's no problem."

Tu Shan had set up anti-theft methods, but how could she have expected that Lu Wenshuang would directly transform into her in her dream? These anti-theft methods had no secrets to Lu Wenshuang at all.

If she wanted to go in, it would be as easy as going back to her own home!

Zhou Shu clapped his hands. "Okay, let's do it!"

## Chapter 495: Raiding the Demon King, Tricking Even the Sword (1)

"It's changed. The Armament Manual has changed!"

In the forging room of the Huaxia Pavilion's Demon Realm branch, Li Chengliang shouted without any restraint.

"What changed?" another Grand Craftsman asked in confusion. The other forgers all turned their heads and looked at Li Chengliang.

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"There are two more weapons in the Connate Armament Manual!"

Li Chengliang activated his spiritual essence and injected it into the Heavenly Mirror in his hand. A light screen was projected.

It was the Connate Armament Manual!

The Connate Armament Manual, which originally only had two weapons, now had four.

First, Ming Hong Saber.

Second, Longevity Sword.

Third, Kun Wu Saber.

Fourth, Crimson Firmament Sword.

The first in the Connate Armament Manual had become a saber they had never heard of!

"The Crimson Firmament Sword forged by His Highness has fallen to fourth place," someone whispered in the background.

"Fourth is pretty good too," an experienced Grand Craftsman said. "We might not even be able to forge a weapon ranked in the top one hundred of the Acquired Armament Manual. It's ranked fourth in the Connate Armament Manual.

"If one day I can forge a weapon ranked fourth in the Connate Armament Manual, I can die in peace." The Grand Craftsman sighed.

"That's true." All the forgers nodded.

"But tell me, which forger forged the Ming Hong Saber and Kun Wu Saber?" Li Chengliang pondered. "Could it be a legendary Divine Craftsman?"

"Others might not know, but don't you know, Grand Craftsman Li?" A Grand Craftsman shook his head. "Divine Craftsman is just an honorary title. Their forging skills might not be much better than ours. I'm afraid they're still not strong enough to forge connate weapons."

There was a saying in the Ten Nations that there were Divine Craftsmen, but the so-called Divine Craftsmen now were just some of the more senior Grand Craftsmen. There was no essential difference between their skills and those of Grand Craftsmen.

Li Chengliang and the others didn't believe Divine Craftsmen could forge connate weapons. If anyone in the Ten Nations could forge connate weapons, they would have done so long ago.

"Anyway, His Highness's record should have been broken..." a Forging Master said weakly.

Ever since Zhou Shu started forging, he had dominated the rankings for whatever level of weapon he could forge.

He had always been the one to drive other weapons down from first place in the Armament Manual. This was the first time he had fallen from first place.

"Says who?" Shi Songtao's voice suddenly sounded at the door.

"The pavilion master's forging skills are unparalleled!" Shi Songtao said proudly. "Let me tell you. The Ming Hong Saber was also personally forged by the pavilion master!"

"What?" The forgers were in an uproar. "Your Highness hasn't forged anything recently."

"His Highness doesn't need a furnace to forge. He can forge at any time. Does he need to answer to you?" Shi Songtao said. "There's a mission now. His Highness needs a few people to help. Grand Craftsman Li, pick a few people who have a deeper understanding of forging materials."

"I'll do it!"

"Me!"

Before Shi Songtao finished speaking, the forgers had already raised their hands and shouted.

It was definitely a good thing to be able to help the king.

It had only been a few days, but the king had already forged another connate weapon. If they could witness him forging a connate weapon, it would be a fortune for three lifetimes!

At the exit of the Huaxia Pavilion's Demon Realm branch, Zhou Shu, Lu Wenshuang, and Mi Ziwen were all standing here.

Xiao Jianghe, Mei Wushang, Wang Xin, Chen Ji, Yin Chengshan, Sun Gongping, and other senior workers were also present.

Apart from Yin Wuyou and Yang Hong, who weren't in the camp, these people were all the owners of ranked weapons Zhou Shu had forged. If not for the fact that Meng Bai wasn't suitable, Zhou Shu would have even called him along.

This operation wasn't very dangerous. Zhou Shu was creating an opportunity for his workers to contribute.

After all, they were all his employees. He couldn't forget his own people when there were benefits.

“A few forgers will come later. Each of you will be responsible for bringing one,” Zhou Shu said. “Work together in pairs. Try your best to choose something valuable to take!”

“Remember, our time is limited. We can’t take everything away. The forgers are in charge of screening, and you are in charge of taking everything. When the time is up, we will immediately retreat!”

Demon Queen Tushan had set up many traps in her secret base.

Even if Lu Wenshuang could easily bring them in, as long as they moved the things inside, they would definitely attract the attention of Tushan.

In half an hour, Tushan would arrive at the base.

Zhou Shu didn’t have the confidence to win against her, so he didn’t want to fight her to the death now.

He would use her things to strengthen the Ten Nations Alliance. When he was stronger and could crush Demon Queen Tushan, he would kill her.

This was the solution in his mind.

As he spoke, Shi Songtao returned with a few forgers.

According to Zhou Shu’s instructions, Sun Gongping, Xiao Jianghe, and the others formed a small team with a forger each. Then everyone quietly left the camp.

There were high and low cultivation levels in this group. There was naturally no need to say anything about Zhou Shu. Lu Wenshuang and Xiao Jianghe were first-rank martial artists, Mi Ziwen and Wang Xin were second-rank martial artists, and Sun Gongping, Mei Wushang, Chen Ji, and Yin Chengshan were slightly weaker. The weakest were fourth-rank martial artists.

#### **Chapter 496: Raiding the Demon King, Tricking Even the Sword (2)**

It had to be said that although war was cruel, it was also an opportunity for individuals to grow rapidly.

When Sun Gongping, Mei Wushang, Chen Ji, and Yin Chengshan entered the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament battlefield, their cultivation levels were generally between the sixth and seventh ranks. In just a few months, their cultivation levels had risen like a rocket to the fourth rank.

Although it was incomparable to some geniuses, their speed of improvement was already very fast.

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In the Ten Nations, it was impossible to cultivate from the seventh rank to the fourth rank without decades of hard work.

It was even more likely that people wouldn’t be able to cultivate to the fourth rank of the Martial Dao in their entire life!

Apart from the tempering of the war, it was also thanks to Zhou Shu’s Essence Cleansing Pill that their cultivation levels could increase so quickly.

Everyone was full of energy to help Zhou Shu!

With Zhou Shu leading the way, the group quickly traveled through the forest, not worried about encountering demonic beasts.

In everyone's hearts, Zhou Shu was already a god-like existence. As long as he was around, there was no need to worry about demonic beasts.

After they traveled at full speed for several days, Lu Wenshuang waved her hand and nodded at Zhou Shu.

Everyone stopped in unison and looked around immediately in a vigilant posture.

"Everyone, relax. There's no need to be nervous. There are no demonic beasts nearby." Zhou Shu smiled. He had already grasped the situation around him with his divine sense.

Demon Queen Tushan had a paranoid personality. The secret base she had built for herself was deserted within a radius of hundreds of kilometers. It was even more secretive than the Huaxia Pavilion's Demon Realm branch.

If Lu Wenshuang hadn't entered the dream and found out about this place, they wouldn't have been able to find this place even if she told them that Tushan had a secret base.

"Everyone, follow me closely. You can't make a single mistake. Otherwise, you will fall into the Tushan's bewitching array, and it will be difficult to escape," Lu Wenshuang said with a serious expression.

Everyone nodded.

Lu Wenshuang took a deep breath and took a step forward.

She jumped left and right, suddenly forward and back. She had been on the left a moment ago, but she was suddenly on the right again.

In short, all the steps were irregular.

Everyone watched intently, silently remembering.

Lu Wenshuang jumped for a hundred steps before her figure suddenly disappeared into the air.

Mi Ziwen's expression changed slightly. Back then, his Hundred Wars Armored Army had disappeared under the Weapon Burial Mountain just like this. Now, it seemed that it was indeed Demon Queen Tushan who did it!

"Do you remember everything? Then, let's do it one by one," Zhou Shu said solemnly.

Without hesitation, everyone jumped up according to Lu Wenshuang's footwork.

The group of men jumped left and right, but they were not as graceful as Lu Wenshuang.

Fortunately, no one made a mistake. After everyone disappeared, Zhou Shu took action.

A moment later, he felt the scenery in front of him change. He saw Lu Wenshuang and the others again.

"Tushan's bewitching array is really interesting." Zhou Shu looked back in admiration.

There seemed to be a layer of thick fog lingering behind him, and he couldn't see where he came from. In front of him was an incomparably gigantic cave. There were all kinds of treasures—gold, silver, jade, heaven and earth treasures... There were too many to list.

This was the life savings of a demon king.

"What are you waiting for? Get moving!" Zhou Shu shouted. "Take as much as you can. Choose the valuable ones!"

Before coming here, each of them had taken several Cosmic Bangles with them. But even so, it was unrealistic to take away everything here. There were too many things here!

If not for the fact that Zhou Shu didn't want to fight Demon Queen Tushan to the death in advance, he would have led the army here.

Now, he could only choose the precious treasures and take as much as he could.

Mi Ziwen, Xiao Jianghe, and the others were also breathing heavily. They pounced in front of these things and began to crazily gather them into the Cosmic Bangles.

"Little Lu, have you learned Tushan's bewitching array?" Zhou Shu asked Lu Wenshuang as he collected the things.

The bewitching array at the entrance of the cave was so natural that even he couldn't see through it. If he could learn it and create such a bewitching array at the entrance of the Huaxia Pavilion's Demon Realm branch, the effect would be great.

"No," Lu Wenshuang said without looking up. "It's the innate divine power of Tushan. We humans can't learn it."

"Oh." Zhou Shu was a little disappointed. It had to be said that demonic beasts were truly blessed by the heavens compared to humans. They had innate divine powers, while humans needed to use weapons to fight demonic beasts.

In other words, being able to use weapons should be considered humanity's innate divine power.

Various noises echoed in the cave. The eyes of Shi Songtao, Li Chengliang, the forgers, and the others who came turned green. They pointed at the same thing and shouted.

"Put this away! Take them all. Leave nothing behind!"

"Don't take that. It's trash!"

"Why do you want that stupid thing?! Gold? Is gold useful? Do you know what this is? Gold is shit compared to this!"

All the forgers went mad. Even on the battlefield of the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament, they had never seen so much good stuff.

A demon king who had lived for thousands of years and liked to collect things, her collection was far richer than anyone could imagine.

*We're rich!*

This was the only thought in everyone's mind.

They didn't care about the gold that was everywhere now!

The space in Cosmic Bangles was limited, so they could only select those that were more valuable!

Zhou Shu suddenly frowned.

"Speed up! Tushan has discovered us!"

Zhou Shu looked up in a direction. Although the bewitching array blocked his vision, he could still feel a powerful aura filled with anger rapidly approaching.

Demon Queen Tushan had arrived faster than he had expected!

Indeed, one couldn't underestimate any demon king!

"There's still some time. Grab the precious items!" Zhou Shu raised his hand and beckoned. The heaven and earth treasures on the ground were swept up by a gust of wind and landed inside his Cosmic Bangle.

There were too many things here, so many that even though everyone had already taken a lot, there were still countless things in the cave.

Suddenly, Zhou Shu's heart skipped a beat. The next moment, he waved his hand, and a gray sword appeared in the air.

Longevity Sword!

When he had fought his way into the Demon Realm from the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space, the Longevity Sword had helped him resist the attacks of more than a hundred first-rank demonic beasts, and then it had fallen into a deep sleep.

Now, Zhou Shu felt it erupt with intense hunger.

Seeing that Demon Queen Tushan was about to arrive, no matter how much they took, they wouldn't be able to take all these things. Instead of leaving them to her, it was better to let the Longevity Sword benefit.

"Elder Shi, when you attacked earlier, I promised to let you eat your fill. Now, eat freely," Zhou Shu said to the Longevity Sword.

The Longevity Sword let out a clang and flew into the mountain of heaven and earth treasures with a whoosh.

*Boom!*

The Longevity Sword seemed to turn into a black hole. Countless forging materials surged toward it crazily and fused into its blade.

The gray body of the Longevity Sword began to glow faintly.

"Ignore it. You guys deal with yours! There's still two hundred seconds!" Zhou Shu shouted.

Lu Wenshuang, Mi Ziwen, and the others returned to their senses. They stopped looking at the Longevity Sword and continued collecting treasures.

Two hundred seconds passed in the blink of an eye.

Zhou Shu glanced at the Longevity Sword that was still absorbing crazily and said in a low voice, "Stop. Retreat first!"

"Second Brother, you—"

"I'll catch up. We cleared the way we came. It should be safe. Don't worry about anything. Just get back to camp as soon as you can," Zhou Shu said.

Mi Ziwen and the others knew how serious the situation was. They reluctantly looked at the many heaven and earth treasures and gritted their teeth. They followed Lu Wenshuang out of the cave and ran along the path they had come.

They had just left when a monstrous aura descended from the sky.

"Whoever you are, I will make you regret being born into this world!" Demon Queen Tushan's voice containing boundless killing intent sounded in Zhou Shu's ears.

Zhou Shu sneered. He moved and activated the Eight-Nine Arcane Art. His body suddenly shrank, and he disappeared into a crack in a stone.

After cultivating the Eight-Nine Arcane Art, one could roam the world freely!

The Longevity Sword in the air was suddenly stunned. Then the sword trembled as if it was angry.

*Boom!*

At this moment, Demon Queen Tushan had already rushed into the cave with monstrous killing intent.

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*Boom!*

Demon Queen Tushan rushed into the cave and immediately saw that only a small part of what she had collected for thousands of years was left. She was instantly overwhelmed by anger.

"It's you!" Her gaze fell on the Longevity Sword in time to see it swallow the last piece of forging material, like a person swallowing something in their mouth.

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Tushan's eyes spewed fire, and her killing intent was almost tangible.

The Longevity Sword trembled. If it could speak, it would definitely curse.

*Oh my god, that bastard surnamed Zhou...*

*I've never seen anyone trick a sword!*

*I thought these forging materials were my reward?*

*Demoness, if I say that I have nothing to do with this, will you believe me?*

“Bastard! Spit out what’s mine!” Tushan shouted angrily and smacked the Longevity Sword.

The Demon Queen attacked furiously. With a palm strike, it was as if the world had collapsed. The air in a radius of dozens of feet seemed to be compressed into a physical body.

The Longevity Sword let out a cracking sound.

*Clang!*

The Longevity Sword shone brightly and slashed at Demon Queen Tushan’s palm. He had no choice but to counterattack. If he didn’t, he would really be broken by her!

*Swish—*

An air-piercing sound rang out as countless sword beams crisscrossed.

The sword beams scattered in all directions, and for a moment, countless heaven and earth treasures were pulverized by the sword beams.

Demon Queen Tushan’s eyes almost popped out of their sockets. Her lungs were about to explode from anger. How dare this sword destroy her things in front of her? It was simply unforgivable!

Tushan unleashed a powerful divine power and pressed down on the Longevity Sword again.

The Longevity Sword let out a sad cry. He had been wronged.

He had only eaten a little. Most of the things had been taken away by Zhou Shu. If you have the ability, go after him.

What kind of hero takes it out on a sword?

Shi Changsheng had already woken up. But in front of a Demon King, he had some reservations and didn’t dare to appear casually. He could only hide in the Longevity Sword and constantly dodge the attacks of Tushan.

Back then, he wouldn’t be afraid of a mere Demon King. But now, he had yet to succeed in fusing his body with the sword. Facing a Demon King, his strength was still insufficient...

*Swoosh—*

The sound of sword qi tearing through the air continuously sounded, and Demon Queen Tushan’s anger grew stronger and stronger.

A broken sword was actually crawling around like a rat!

The point was, it had swallowed so much good stuff!

*If it escapes, I, Tushan, will lose face!*

Demon Queen Tushan was furious. A ball of light suddenly exploded from her body, and the entire cave was instantly enveloped by light.

Shi Changsheng cursed inwardly. The Longevity Sword shone brightly and suddenly slashed forward. A sharp sword beam seemed to want to split a mountain apart.

But when such a sharp sword beam landed on the light, it was like a drop of water falling into the ocean, not causing any waves.

“Let’s see how you can turn the world upside down in my territory!” Tushan’s murderous voice sounded.

Shi Changsheng snorted in the Longevity Sword. *It’s just the prototype of a grotto-heaven. Back then, I could suppress you with one hand!*

Even a shrimp dares to dupe the dragon when it is in the shallow water; a tiger may even be teased by a dog when it leaves the remote mountains and comes to the bright and flat area<sup>1</sup>!

He hated that kid surnamed Zhou for being immoral!

*I helped you so much, but you betrayed me!*

The Longevity Sword trembled violently, and a powerful aura began to condense on the sword.

Although it was only the embryonic form of a grotto-heaven, if he didn’t use his trump card, he would probably not be able to escape today.

Shi Changsheng gritted his teeth. *Damn it. I’ve just swallowed so many heaven and earth treasures for nothing!*

*Boom!*

Just as Shi Changsheng was brewing, a loud bang suddenly sounded. A huge hole suddenly exploded in the white light filling the entire cave.

“Let’s go, Elder Shi!” Zhou Shu’s voice suddenly sounded in Shi Changsheng’s ear.

*Clang!* The Longevity Sword let out a clang.

“Brat Zhou, I forgive you!” Shi Changsheng said in Zhou Shu’s consciousness. The Longevity Sword turned into a stream of light and entered the huge hole.

“You want to leave? In your dreams!” Demon Queen Tushan roared angrily. She raised her hand, and the white light covered the Longevity Sword like a net.

*Swoosh!*

Suddenly, a hand appeared out of thin air and grabbed the Longevity Sword.

In an instant, the Longevity Sword shone brightly. An indescribable sword beam split the heavens and earth, forcefully cutting a crack in the white light. Then the Longevity Sword turned into a stream of light and disappeared into the sky.

*Boom!*

Tushan descended from the sky, her face cold.

She gritted her teeth and said bitterly, "I've memorized your scent. Even if you flee to the ends of the world, I'll find you!"

She was shouting at the Longevity Sword. As for the owner of the hand, she didn't sense his aura at all!

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"Elder Shi, aren't you the master of the Zhuling Grotto-Heaven?"

At an unknown distance from the secret base of Demon Queen Tushan, a figure flashed. Beside him, a long sword automatically floated.

It was Zhou Shu and the Longevity Sword.

"The master of the Zhuling Grotto-Heaven shouldn't be inferior to a Demon King, right? How can you not be Demon Queen Tushan's match?" Zhou Shu asked curiously.

The Longevity Sword trembled and almost fell from the sky.

With a flash of light, an image of an old Daoist priest appeared on the body of the Longevity Sword.

In front of Tushan, Shi Changsheng had some reservations and didn't appear. But in front of Zhou Shu, he had no reservations.

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The palm-sized old Daoist priest sat cross-legged on the Longevity Sword as if he was flying on the sword. He rolled his eyes at Zhou Shu.

"Back then, I could suppress her with one hand." Shi Changsheng snorted coldly. "She's just a Demon King who has only cultivated the embryonic form of a grotto-heaven. Back then, she wasn't even qualified to be my opponent."

"Is that so?" Zhou Shu said disdainfully. "Elder Shi, a hero is silent about his past glories. You were almost captured alive just now."

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"Aren't you the one who got me into trouble, kid?" Shi Changsheng said angrily. "We agreed that I would help you deal with demonic beasts, and you would give me forging materials. Is this how you treat me?"

"I gave you forging materials," Zhou Shu said. "Would you have been able to find Tushan's secret base if I didn't take you there?"

"If I hadn't left those things for you, I would have had the people ransack the place long ago. Were they not from me?"

Shi Changsheng: "..."

*You have a damn good point. I don't even know how to argue with that.*

"Even so, can't you take me with you when you escape?" Shi Changsheng said in a muffled voice.

"How would I know that you couldn't escape, Elder Shi?" Zhou Shu shrugged innocently. "No matter what, you're the master of the Zhuling Grotto-Heaven. Wouldn't it be easy for you to escape from a Demon King?"

"Who would have thought that you, Elder Shi..."

Zhou Shu shook his head and sighed, as if he was very disappointed in Immortal Shi.

Shi Changsheng was speechless. *Why does it feel like I'm in the wrong?*

*I was almost trapped by the embryonic form of a grotto-heaven of a Demon King because I, Shi Changsheng, am not capable enough?*

*If it weren't for you, would I need to face a Demon King?*

"I saw that you couldn't escape, so I immediately came back to save you," Zhou Shu continued. "I'm generous, right? That's a Demon King. If anything had gone wrong, I would have died!"

Zhou Shu said with a serious expression, "Elder Shi, I took a huge risk to save you. As the saying goes, a son of a wealthy family does not sit right under the eaves<sup>1</sup>. No matter what, I'm a person of status. If I didn't treat you as one of my own, why would I take such a risk?"

Shi Changsheng: "..."

*You've said all the right things. What else can I say?*

"Elder Shi, the territory Tushan mentioned is the embryonic form of a grotto-heaven?" Zhou Shu continued. "Does that mean that if her so-called territory continues to develop, it will become an existence like the Zhuling Grotto-Heaven?"

"Of course," Shi Changsheng said. "But she's still a long way from getting there."

"She has only just stepped into the Grotto-Heaven realm. Back then, I was at the peak of the Grotto-Heaven realm," Shi Changsheng said proudly. "Even in our era, there were only thirty-six peak Grotto-Heaven realm cultivators."

Zhou Shu was deep in thought. According to the information he had obtained when he entered the Great Demon Yao Lian's dream, although Demon Queen Tushan was considered a relatively weaker Demon King in the Demon Realm, the difference between her and the top Demon Kings was not too great.

According to Shi Changsheng, there might not be a peak Grotto-Heaven realm in the entire Demon Realm.

Even now, Zhou Shu still didn't know what the so-called Grotto-Heaven realm meant. Had she evolved a grotto-heaven like the Zhuling Grotto-Heaven?

Zhou Shu felt incredulous just thinking about it.

"Elder Shi, how long do you think it will take for Tushan to reach the Grotto-Heaven realm?" Zhou Shu pondered.

Fortunately, Demon Queen Tushan had yet to cultivate a grotto-heaven. Otherwise, she would have been able to store all the treasures she had collected in her grotto-heaven.

In that case, it would have been impossible for Zhou Shu to rob her.

"How long?" Shi Changsheng sneered. "She might not be able to cultivate it in her entire life!

"Didn't I tell you? Even back then, there were only thirty-six true Grotto-Heaven masters. It's not that easy to reach the Grotto-Heaven realm.

"I'll bet that Tushan won't be able to reach the Grotto-Heaven realm until her death!"

"Great. What do you want to wager?" Zhou Shu said casually.

Shi Changsheng: "..."

*It's just a casual remark. Are you really thinking of betting?*

Zhou Shu only said it casually and didn't take it seriously.

He continued, "Elder Shi, you said that there were only thirty-six experts at the peak of the Grotto-Heaven realm back then. Then, the thirty-six of you should be very familiar with each other, right?"

"Of course. I know the other thirty-five old things pretty well," Shi Changsheng said. "I used to freeload from them from time to time."

"Then, are you familiar with the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain?" Zhou Shu asked. "Do they have an armory?"

"The Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain?" Shi Changsheng was slightly taken aback. "Why are you asking about it? It was already in pieces before I fell into a deep sleep. You're not thinking of finding the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain's armory, are you?"

"Let me tell you. Don't even think about it." Shi Changsheng pursed his lips. "That surnamed Diao is a ruthless character. He's probably already destroyed the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain."

"Elder Shi, you're wrong about that." Zhou Shu shook his head. "As far as I know, Tushan found the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain."

"How is that possible?" Shi Changsheng frowned.

"Absolutely," Zhou Shu said. "Although she isn't as powerful as you, Elder Shi, I don't think she would be mistaken. That's why I think that the armory is probably real."

Shi Changsheng frowned and thought for a moment. "Even if the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain's armory still exists, it's useless. It's not that easy to open the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan

Mountain. Unless you have a token, even an existence like a Grotto-Heaven master can only destroy the armory. It's difficult to obtain the things in it."

"A token?" Zhou Shu pondered. "Kun Wu Saber?"

"You even know about Kun Wu Saber?" Shi Changsheng glanced at Zhou Shu in surprise. "It seems that what you said is true."

"Of course. Why would I lie to you about such a thing?"

"There's more than one key to the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain's armory. The Kun Wu Saber is one of them," Shi Changsheng said. "With the Kun Wu Saber in hand, you can indeed enter the armory, but it's not certain which floors you can reach."

"Which floors?" Zhou Shu was puzzled.

"You don't know that," Shi Changsheng said triumphantly. "The Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain, also known as the Heavenly Hub Armory, is itself a peerless divine weapon."

"There are a total of nine floors in the Heavenly Hub Armory. There are countless weapons and heaven and earth treasures hidden on every floor. The treasures on each floor are more precious than the other."

"Heavenly Hub Armory?" Zhou Shu pondered. "Elder Shi, if the Longevity Sword is placed in the Heavenly Hub Armory, what floor would it be placed on?"

"What do you think?" Shi Changsheng rolled his eyes. "Of course it's the ninth floor! Do you think my Longevity Sword is an ordinary weapon?"

"I see." Zhou Shu immediately lost much interest in the Heavenly Hub Armory.

The ninth floor only contained weapons at the Longevity Sword's level. If he wanted such a weapon, he could forge one himself. There was no need to spend so much effort to obtain the Heavenly Hub Armory!

In this world, just because something was older didn't mean it was better. Zhou Shu looked down on weapons forged by others.

"What's with your expression?" Shi Changsheng looked at Zhou Shu unhappily. "Do you think the Longevity Sword isn't qualified to be placed on the ninth floor of the Heavenly Hub Armory?"

"Of course not. I just think that the Heavenly Hub Armory is so-so." Zhou Shu shook his head. "If it only has weapons inside, I won't bother to fight with Tushan. If it's just connate weapons, I can forge them myself."

Shi Changsheng was silent for a moment before saying, "Kid, do you know you're crazy? Do you know that it is impossible to find another weapon on par with the Longevity Sword in this world..."

Before he could say more than two sentences, Shi Changsheng heard a clang, and he couldn't say the words on the tip of his tongue.

**Chapter 499: Counting the Gains, the Legendary Armament Canon Has Upgraded (1)**

“Elder Shi, what do you think of my Ming Hong Saber?” Zhou Shu smiled. “On the Heavenly Mountain Villa’s Connate Armament Manual, the ranking of the Ming Hong Saber is just a little higher than your Longevity Sword.

“Although I don’t care much about the Armament Manual, their lineup makes sense. The Ming Hong Saber should be considered a weapon comparable to the Longevity Sword.”

On the Connate Armament Manual, the Ming Hong Saber was first, and the Longevity Sword was second.

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Shi Changsheng: “...”

“What is the Heavenly Mountain Villa? What right do they have to rank weapons?” Shi Changsheng said. “How do they know about my Longevity Sword?”

“Elder Shi, you don’t know about the Heavenly Mountain Villa?” Zhou Shu pondered for a moment. “It might be because the Heavenly Mountain Villa hadn’t appeared in your era. I don’t know how they know about the Longevity Sword, but according to past experience, their Armament Manuals are quite convincing.”

“Hmph. Anyway, I don’t agree.” Shi Changsheng snorted coldly. “How can a lousy saber compare to my Longevity Sword? My Longevity Sword has yet to be completely forged. Otherwise, it would definitely be the number one divine weapon in the world!”

“Is that so?” Zhou Shu didn’t comment. He smiled and said, “This Ming Hong Saber was casually forged by me using the remnant weapons on the Weapon Burial Mountain of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain. It’s indeed not the best I can do.”

Shi Changsheng: “...”

*Made from the remnant weapons on the Weapon Burial Mountain?*

*Are you humiliating me, boy? You say that a weapon forged from broken weapons is more powerful than my Longevity Sword?*

*Bastard!*

Shi Changsheng snorted and sulked, not wanting to bother with Zhou Shu.

His figure disappeared, and the Longevity Sword flew to Zhou Shu with a buzz. Zhou Shu understood and smiled. He put the Longevity Sword into his Cosmic Bangle.

He had just learned a lot of information from Shi Changsheng.

If someone asked Shi Changsheng seriously, he might not say anything.

But now, if someone managed to make him want to talk about something, he would reveal quite a lot.

If Shi Changsheng hadn't revealed anything about the Grotto-Heaven realm and the Heavenly Hub Armory, Zhou Shu really wouldn't have known.

But Zhou Shu had to be careful when interacting with Shi Changsheng. These old monsters who had lived for countless years could no longer be differentiated as good and bad.

Zhou Shu had to consider whether what they said was true or not.

Just like when Demon Queen Tushan acted as Yin Yuzhu, Zhou Shu didn't see any flaws.

If these old monsters wanted to act, they could win the Oscars anytime. None of them were simple.

Putting away his thoughts, Zhou Shu used his divine ability Unstoppable For a Thousand Miles and instantly disappeared.

Unstoppable For a Thousand Miles could transform Zhou Shu's strength into speed.

He already had the spiritual essence cultivation of an Earth Immortal. Coupled with the enhancement of the Dragon Elephant Prajna Technique, the Golden Bell Shield Technique, and even the Eight-Nine Arcane Art, after all of them were converted into speed, even Demon Kings could only look up to him.

Previously, he had relied on Unstoppable For a Thousand Miles to escape with the Longevity Sword.

With his extreme speed, it took Zhou Shu only a moment to return to the camp.

Two days later, Lu Wenshuang, Mi Ziwen, and Sun Gongping finally returned to the camp.

Fortunately, they didn't encounter any danger along the way, and everyone returned safely.

"Your Highness!" Everyone poured out everything in the Cosmic Bangles with excitement on their faces.

The journey back and forth took ten days. Although there were some minor twists and turns, they basically encountered no major dangers.

By contrast, this harvest...

"Everyone, you've worked hard. The harvest this time is not bad!" Zhou Shu smiled.

"I'd be willing to do such hard work a few more times," Sun Gongping said happily. What hard work? Wasn't it just a few days of running and then packing?

He could do this kind of work until the end of time!

"Yes, we'd like to do it more often," Li Chengliang and the others said happily.

Ever since they came to the Demon Realm, even since they entered the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space, they hadn't been so happy in a long time.

After traveling for more than ten days, Li Chengliang and the other forgers were still a little tired. But when they looked at the gains, they could ignore their fatigue.

"Your Highness, I did a simple count. This time, we brought back a total of twelve heaven-grade weapons and thirty-six earth-grade weapons," Li Chengliang said.

There were all kinds of things in Demon Queen Tushan's collection. It was unknown where she had obtained these weapons. Logically speaking, there were no forgers in the Demon Realm.

But when they thought about how Tushan could even find the armory of the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain, there was nothing strange about her collecting some weapons.

Who knew what strange abilities she had?

"We don't need to talk about weapons. How much forging materials are there?" Zhou Shu interrupted Li Chengliang.

He wasn't very interested in the Heavenly Hub Armory. In his eyes, these heaven-grade and earth-grade weapons were not as valuable as forging materials.

He had long passed the stage where he had to spend effort to obtain even a few heaven-grade weapons for the sake of accumulation. To him, these weapons could only slightly increase the strength of the Ten Nations Alliance.

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*Rustle!*

The pages flipped before Zhou Shu's eyes, and his expression flickered.

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After the Legendary Armament Canon upgraded, Zhou Shu realized that all the weapons recorded in it had changed.

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He might as well have more forging materials. Not only were the weapons he forged himself better than these weapons, but they could also give him rewards. Wasn't it better than ready-made weapons?

"Because time was tight, and our Cosmic Bangles were limited, we only brought back about 350,000 kilograms of forging materials," Li Chengliang said.

"Pavilion Master, although it's only 350,000 kilograms, we picked rare and precious materials. In terms of value alone, these 350,000 kilograms of forging materials are more valuable than the five million kilograms of forging materials we brought from the Ten Nations Martial Arts Tournament space!" Shi Songtao added.

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The value of these forging materials was worlds apart. Things that could enter the eyes of the Demon Queen Tushan were not ordinary items.

Although Tushan might not know how to forge weapons, she could still distinguish the basic value.

Tushan was different from the other Demon Kings in the Demon Realm. She had an interest in the Red Water Heaven of Dan Mountain, unlike other demonic beasts. It was also very thought-provoking for a Demon King to collect so many forging materials.

But it was a pity that the good things in her collection of thousands of years had been swept away by Zhou Shu and the others, and another batch had been devoured by the Longevity Sword. She had suffered heavy losses. At least, she had wasted hundreds of years.

Zhou Shu looked at the forging materials that filled half the cave and was overjoyed.

"Take these heaven and earth-grade weapons to General Meng and the others. Find the right people to distribute them to. Leave none behind," Zhou Shu instructed.

"Pavilion Master," Shi Songtao said, "these weapons belong to our Huaxia Pavilion. Are we going to split them like this?"

Shi Songtao meant, was there no need to pay?

"Deputy Pavilion Master, look at the big picture," Zhou Shu said. "We're behind enemy lines now. If the strength of the soldiers increases, we'll be safer.

"Weapons are meant to be used. Are they supposed to be left in the storeroom to collect dust?

"Of course, these weapons can't be given for free. No one will cherish something given for free. How about this? Let the people who get a weapon write a debt slip."

Even the rich Mi Ziwen didn't have much money on him now. It was unrealistic to make them buy the weapons.

But then again, as long as the soldiers could return to the Ten Nations Continent alive, the military merit rewards would definitely not be small. They were still capable of paying off the debt of weapons.

Shi Songtao mumbled, "That will have to do for now."

"Everyone has worked hard. Don't take these weapons." Zhou Shu looked at Mi Ziwen, Sun Gongping, Wang Xin, Chen Ji, Yin Chengshan, and the others. "I'll help you upgrade the weapons in your hands later. They won't be inferior to these weapons."

"Thank you, Your Highness!" Everyone was delighted.

Suddenly, Zhou Shu's expression changed slightly. "Deputy Pavilion Master, Grand Craftsman Li, continue to organize these forging materials. Everyone else, go and do your own things."

With that, Zhou Shu turned around and entered his forging room.

Closing the door, he looked pleasantly surprised.

Just now, he sensed that the upgrade of the Legendary Armament Canon had been completed!

With a thought, a book that only he could see appeared in front of him.

The cover of the book turned a pure golden color. Although it was golden, it didn't look tacky. Instead, it looked exquisite.

The words on the cover didn't change much.

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Zhou Shu pondered.

Although the Legendary Armament Canon being upgraded was a good thing, it also meant that Zhou Shu had to start anew.

The weapons he had originally forged would probably not be able to give him any more kill rewards.

*A connate weapon was known as a divine weapon. An acquired is just a weapon.*

Zhou Shu's eyes gradually lit up. *The Legendary Armament Canon is the Legendary Armament Canon after all. The forging methods it gives me are simpler and more operational than the forging methods I developed myself.*

*This will certainly improve my success rate in forging connate divine weapons.*

*But connate divine weapons are quite expensive to forge. When I recruit workers in the future, the cost will be high.*

*Fortunately, the Huaxia Pavilion doesn't lack forging materials now.*

*I should stop thinking about these useless things. Let me try forging the connate Huben Saber.*

Zhou Shu immediately called Li Chengliang and the other Grand Craftsmen into the forging room and called Shi Songtao to carry the forging materials.

The sound of flames burning quickly filled the forging room.

Li Chengliang and the other Grand Craftsmen helped Zhou Shu melt the forging materials like apprentices.

Seeing Zhou Shu begin to draw star paths out of thin air, Li Chengliang's and the others' eyes almost popped out of their sockets.

After looking forward to it for so long, they finally saw with their own eyes how Zhou Shu forged a connate weapon.

But it was useless to see it. They couldn't do it.

Although they knew that they couldn't do it, Li Chengliang and the others still didn't dare to blink as they stared at Zhou Shu.

Zhou Shu was forging a connate weapon. It was already a blessing in disguise to be able to see the process.

Even if they could not do it now, they had to remember Zhou Shu's forging technique. What if they could do it one day?

Under the gaze of the Grand Craftsmen, Zhou Shu's movements were as smooth as flowing water. The shape of a saber gradually appeared between his hands.

"Everyone, does this saber look familiar to you?" Li Chengliang glanced at the Grand Craftsmen beside him.

"It does look familiar." The Grand Craftsmen nodded.

"Isn't that the Huben Saber?" A Grand Craftsman looked surprised.

They had long learned the secret forging formula of the Huben Saber from the Huaxia Pavilion's Demon Realm branch. The more they looked at it, the more they felt that the weapon in Zhou Shu's hand was the Huben Saber.

"The Huben Saber is just a name. Just because they look alike doesn't mean they're the same weapon," Li Chengliang whispered.

*Boom!*

Suddenly, an explosion sounded in the sky. Spiritual energy rolled in the air. Li Chengliang and the others even felt a seven-colored light scatter from the saber in Zhou Shu's hands.

"Did you see that? This is a proper connate weapon!" Li Chengliang said excitedly. "I didn't expect that I would be lucky enough to participate in the forging of a connate weapon in this lifetime!"

All the Grand Craftsmen rolled their eyes. He said it as if none of the others had participated. They had only helped to smelt some forging materials? Was this considered participating?

In the past, Forging Apprentices in the workshop who were in charge of assisting were doing such work...

The Grand Craftsmen looked at each other tacitly. *Yes, of course, we participated in the forging!*