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Chapter 1271: Unprecedented

After time began to flow again, everyone stared at the enchanting woman shrouded in black fog nervously. No one had the time to pay attention to Tuoba Sicheng whose chest had pierced with just a move.

Tuoba Sicheng's men caught him and quickly helped him staunch the bleeding. Some of the healers panicked, afraid that Tian Wu would attack again.

Meanwhile, Tian Wu's attention was wholly on Lu Zhou. Her eyes were filled with suspicion and questions.

At this time, Mingshi Yin, whose body was emitting the Great Void energy that everyone yearned for, stood up. "Come at me if you dare."

Tian Wu seemed to have placed a restriction on Mingshi Yin, limiting his movements. She continued staring at Lu Zhou intently.

Lu Zhou's current appearance was mature and masculine. Perhaps, he had been old for so long, his mannerism, speech, and aura exuded a sense of superiority. This was not something that could be imitated or achieved overnight.

Suddenly, the Divine Soul Pearl shone with a different light. Then, Tian Wu turned into a cloud of black fog again as she said, "It doesn't matter who you are, you have to die today."

The Divine Soul Pearl flashed before it shot toward Lu Zhou.

Time froze again.

Lu Zhou used the divine power and rapidly retreated.

Tian Wu, who had already expected this, said, "Too slow."

A streak of black light hit Lu Zhou's body. It moved up, down, left, and right.

In everyone's eyes, it seemed like Tian Wu teleported forward while Lu Zhou had teleported backward. Then, they saw a streak of black light hitting Lu Zhou's body.

No matter the technique or speed, it was impossible not to leave any traces behind. Even if one was extremely fast, one would still leave traces of Primal Qi in one's wake. However, Tian Wu and Lu Zhou looked, to the others, as though they had teleported.

Everyone watched as the black fog and the power from the Divine Soul Pearl converged on Lu Zhou's body.

Bang!

Critical Block -1

Lu Zhou flew back.

Bang!

Critical Block Card -1

Lu Zhou's Critical Block Cards kept decreasing.

Lu Zhou felt like he had underestimated Tian Wu and overestimated himself at this moment.

Meanwhile, everyone watched, dumbfounded.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The black fog and the Divine Soul Pearl continued to attack in a frenzy.

"I admit you're tenacious, but you should give up now," Tian Wu said.

Bang!

Lu Zhou no longer hesitated and raised his palm to receive the attack. The script for 'Lightning' appeared in his palm as he blocked the Divine Soul Pearl's attack.

Tian Wu froze for a moment, shocked.

Lu Zhou's expression was slightly angry as he said in a deep voice, "What gave you the illusion that you can defeat me?"

"Scram," Lu Zhou said as he pushed his hand out.

The script 'Lightning' expanded swiftly before...

Boom!

A purple lightning bolt descended from the heavens, changing the colors of the sky. It struck Tian Wu and sent her flying back. However, she was uninjured.

Just as Tian Wu was about to freeze time again, three bolts of lightning struck.

Boom!

Tian Wu was sent flying back again.

Boom! Boom!

The remaining two purple lightning bolts accurately struck Tian Wu again.

Tian Wu raised her head and spat out a mouthful of blood. At the same time, the Divine Soul Pearl in her hand suddenly flew out without her control. She felt as though her body was paralyzed as her eyes widened in disbelief.

Boom!

Tian Wu landed heavily on the ground.

Lu Zhou had used the enhanced Thunderblast Card. It had a 100% chance of repelling the target, a 100% chance of injuring the target, a 50% chance of severely injuring the target, a 5% chance of killing the target, and a temporary paralytic effect.

The injuries Tian Wu sustained were of no concern to her. However, the temporary paralysis had allowed the Divine Soul Pearl to break free of her grip.

At this time, Tuoba Sicheng flashed forward toward the Divine Soul Pearl. He laughed maniacally as he held the pearl in his hand. With his other hand, he manifested his astrolabe and threw it at Tian Wu.

The air distorted and rippled with unprecedented power.

The power of the 20 Birth Charts exploded at the same time.

Tuoba Sicheng unleashed all the power of the Dao, which he himself had never used before, as the pillars of light shot out from his astrolabe. His attack tore through space and shot into the black fog before hitting Tian Wu's body.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

The earth rumbled and quaked.

Everyone held their breaths as their mouths turned dry. They did not know if they should feel happy or worried.

To Tianwu, losing the Divine Soul Pearl was akin to losing her powers. She had no choice but to face the attack head-on before turning into a cloud of black fog again. When she solidified again, she groaned and spat out blood.

When silence returned, Tuoba Sicheng out his astrolabe away and looked at the Divine Soul Pearl in his hand.

When Tian Wu fell, she landed near Mingshi Yin.

Mingshi Yin was dumbfounded. He looked at the dispersing fog, not knowing what to do. Finally, when the fog completely dispersed, he saw a woman drenched in blood lying motionlessly.

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Mingshi Yin took a few steps back.

At this time, Tian Wu reached out with great difficulty and said, "Great Void Seed..."

Mingshi Yin's figure was reflected in her eyes as she tilted her head. Blood flowed from the corner of her mouth to the ground.

On the other hand, Tuoba Sicheng who had experienced the vicissitudes of thousands upon thousands of years of life could not help but feel excited when he saw Tian Wu lying on the ground. He had knocked down Tian Wu! He had obtained the Divine Soul Pearl!

Tuoba Sicheng's eyes glinted with a bloodthirsty light as he said, "Didn't I say that I'm the master of this place today..."

Tuoba Sicheng waved his hand.

His men swiftly surrounded Lu Zhou, but they did not dare to attack him.

Tuoba Sicheng pushed his hand that was holding the Divine Soul Pearl out, releasing a powerful energy seal to the right. His target was not Lu Zhou but the neutral Fan Zhong.

Fan Zhong did not expect this. He hastily raised his arms as green energy surged from his body.

Bang!

When the attack landed, a dazzling shockwave rippled out 10,000 meters away. The mountains, rivers, and trees were destroyed.

Fan Zhong, a Venerable Master, was sent flying back.

Needless to say, the disciples who tried to help Fan Zhong were sent flying back as well.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

Fan Zhong and his disciples fell to the ground in a pile, spitting out blood.

"I gave you a chance, but you didn't cherish it." Tuoba Sicheng had benefited greatly this time. He naturally would not let others have a chance to benefit as well. Hence, he chose to attack Fan Zhong first.

"You!" Fan Zhong waved his hand, and the blood at the corners of his mouth vanished without a trace. "I knew you had ulterior motives! Where's Ye Zheng?"

"Ye Zheng will come later. I'll deal with you first." With the Divine Soul Pearl in his hand, Tuoba Sicheng's confidence soared to unprecedented heights.

At this time, Fan Zhong clenched his hand. Then, pale green light shrouded everyone before shooting up to the sky.

"You want to leave?"

Black light burst forth from the Divine Soul Pearl and shot toward the Fan Zhong.

Bang!

Fan Zhong grunted. He did not dodge and took the attack head-on.

Then, the pale green light flashed once. When the light vanished, Fan Zhong and the others had vanished.

"Collective Teleportation Jade Talisman? Very well, I'll settle the score with you in the future."

Tuoba Sicheng was not too bothered with Fan Zhong now. The Collective Teleportation Jade Talisman only worked one way. Now that Fan Zhong, that variable, was gone, his goal had been achieved.

Tuoba Sicheng turned around to face Lu Zhou. "You're the only one left now."

As the power from the Divine Soul Pearl rose, time seemed to speed up.

At this moment, a figure suddenly leaped over.

"You forgot about me!"

Chapter 1272: Only I Can Kill Her

When Lu Wu stomped on the ground and leaped over toward Tuoba Sicheng, the earth trembled in its wake.

At this time, the cultivators finally recalled that there was still the beast emperor Lu Wu whose strength was comparable to a Venerable Master. Their eyes widened in shock as they watched Lu Wu sail through the air. They held their breaths and their hearts raced as chills ran up their spines.

Tuoba Sicheng gripped the Divine Soul Pearl before it burst forth with power.

Lu Wu's freezing energy and the Divine Soul Pearl's power collided fiercely.

Boom!

The shockwave from the collision swept out into the surroundings.

Lu Zhou mobilized the divine power and retreated. Then, he recited the mantra for the Heavenly Writing before he shouted, "Pillar of Impermanence!"

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Dozens of miles away, near the ancient tree that was Lord Zhennan, the ground began to shake before the Pillar of Impermanence shot out of the ground and flew toward Lu Zhou at lightning speed.

With that, the pillar's suppression on Lord Zhennan was gone. Sensing this, he made a shocking move.

The vines and branches began to move in a frenzy before they lifted Lord Zhennan and his roots out of the ground.

Boom!

Just like that, Lord Zhennan broke free and regained his mobility. He did not waste time and shot toward the Pillar of Destruction.

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At the same time, Lu Wu's freezing energy and the Divine Soul Pearl's power were still struggling for dominance.

Lu Wu had taken special care not to affect the people of the Evil Sky Pavilion with his energy, but the explosive power of the Divine Soul Pearl sent them flying, forcing them to retreat.

Mingshi Yin was standing closest to the point of collision. Strangely, when the power of the Divine Soul Pearl swept over him, he was completely unaffected; only faint ripples could be seen. He only felt cold from Lu Wu's freezing energy.

On the contrary, Tuoba Sicheng's disciples were not as lucky.

"Ding! Destroyed a Birth Chart. Reward: 3,500 merit points."

Lu Zhou received this notification 25 times consecutively.

With just a strike using its Ice Seal ability, Lu Wu destroyed one Birth Chart from each of the 25 people!

Swoosh!

While Lu Zhou sensed the power around him that felt as though it could destroy the world, the Pillar of Impermanence returned to his hand. Then, he imbued the Pillar of Impermanence with all the divine power he had left in him.

Boom!

The Pillar of Impermanence that had grown to be as large as the Pillar of Destruction flew out and landed near Lu Wu and Tuoba Sicheng. The pillar helped suppress some of the power from the Divine Soul Pearl, lessening the pressure on Lu Wu.

Lu Zhou did not waste time and brought out Unnamed in the form of a shield. Then, he manifested his Hundred Tribulations Insight avatar.

When Lu Zhou's Hundred Tribulation Insight avatar appeared, all the divine power in its body was channelled into Unnamed.

Bang!

Unnamed flashed with a golden light and blocked the shockwave. Even then, Lu Zhou was pushed backward.

When the shockwave finally died down, Tuoba Sicheng pushed his hand out repeatedly, releasing energy seals to break the ice that encased his disciples. If he did not save them, it would not be as simple as losing a Birth Chart each.

At this time, Lu Zhou put away the Pillar of Impermanence and his Hundred Tribulations Insight avatar. He nodded in satisfaction; at the very least, this move had saved Lu Wu.

"Whitzard."

Whitzard flew over at lightning speed. Its body was shrouded with auspicious Qi.

Tuoba Sicheng, who was hovering in the air, frowned. "Whitzard?"

Whitzard's auspicious Qi shrouded Lu Zhou, swiftly replenishing his divine power.

Then, Whitzard spun around and spat out a streak of white light at Lu Wu.

The streak of white light was like the blazing sun as it flew toward Lu Wu.

Only a few breaths had passed from the moment Tuoba Sicheng made his move to the moment Whitzard spat out the streak of white light.

When the white light hit Lu Wu, it expanded and shrouded the huge Lu Wu instantly. When it finally faded, Lu Wu's bleeding wounds had vanished. Even the more serious wounds caused by the Divine Soul Pearl had vanished.

With this, Whitzard let out a long cry.

Despite its arrogance, Lu Wu lowered its head slightly and said in a very low voice, "Thank you."

Then, Whitzard turned around and flew away.

Although Lu Wu sounded calm when it thanked Whitzard, based on its burning eyes and bared fangs, it was clear that it was furious. It quickly got into an offensive stance, ready to attack again.

At this moment, Lu Zhou called out, "Lu Wu, don't be rash."

Lu Zhou had used all its strength to save and heal Lu Wu earlier. He naturally did not want it to get injured again.

"Please trust me," Lu Wu said against Lu Zhou's expectations.

Seeing Lu Wu's determination, Lu Zhou decided not to stop it. Then, he quickly synthesized an enhanced Thunderblast Card. At this time, he did bother calculating his merit points or weighing his gains and losses.

At this time, Tuoba Sicheng tightened his grip around the Divine Soul Pearl as he looked at Lu Wu with a burning gaze.

Boom!

Lu Wu leaped up. At the same time, its nine tails unfurled like a fan and its eyes shone like the sun and the moon.

Tuoba Sicheng leaped away with the Divine Soul Pearl in hand.

'Hmm?' Tuoba Sicheng frowned. 'The Divine Soul Pearl's power has been depleted?'

Tuoba Sicheng hurriedly changed strategy and brought out his 20 Birth Chart astrolabe.

At the same time, Lu Wu exhaled his freezing energy again.

"Lu Wu is too terrifying!" Zhao Yu shivered.

The little Fire Phoenix perched on Little Yuan'er's shoulder was so frightened that it hid at the back of her head.

Little Yuan'er said reassuringly, "Don't be afraid."

Duanmu Sheng frowned. "I've never seen Lu Wu so furious before."

"This is probably Lu Wu's strongest attack," Kong Wen said with a hint of awe, "Although we know it's powerful, I still feel we've underestimated its strength..."

Lu Wu's nine tails moved in the air, stirring up the wind and clouds.

The freezing energy swept out and froze everything again. The cold seemed even more biting than before.

"Karmic fire!"

Yu Zhenghai, Little Yuan'er, Conch, and those who possessed the karmic fire quickly manifested the karmic fire. Then, they lit a circle of fire around the members of the Evil Sky Pavilion.

Outside of the circle of fire was a vast expanse of whiteness. In just a blink of an eye, the entire place was transformed into a land of ice.

"Oh, no! We forgot Fourth Senior Brother!"

Everyone looked at the bank of the lake and found Mingshi Yin had turned into an ice sculpture.

"..."

At this time, Lu Wu roared thunderously, casting its sound technique.

The soundwave swept out causing the earth, trees, and pillars to shake.

"Ding! Destroyed one Birth Chart. Reward: 3,500 merit points."

Similar to before, Lu Zhou received the same notification 25 times consecutively.

Lu Wu leaped again and landed on the astrolabe that had been frozen white before leaping away. It was very satisfied with its masterpiece.

Crack!

At this time, the ice that encased Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe cracked and ice shards fell to the ground.

"I want all of you to die today!" Tuoba Sicheng slapped his astrolabe with all his might, sending it up into the sky.

The astrolabe expanded and covered the sky before mobilizing the power of the 20 Birth Charts. Pillars of light rained down from the sky immediately.

Upon seeing this, Lu Wu spun around and jumped above the people of the Evil Sky Pavilion, shielding them from Tuoba Sicheng's attack.

"Fourth Senior Brother!" Little Yuan'er cried out. She flew forward and tossed the Nirvana Sash out. The Nirvana Sash wrapped around Mingshi Yin and pulled him to safety under Lu Wu.

Everyone looked up and saw Lu Zhou standing in the sky and holding the golden Unnamed in the form of a shield.

"I'll make an example out of you today."

Lu Zhou was about to use the enhanced Thunderblast Card when a commotion rang in the air.

In the sky, a flaming ancient tree that looked like a strange spider due to its roots and vines leaped over and landed on Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe.

Lord Zhennan roared, "If you kill Tian Wu, I'll kill you! Only I alone can kill my enemy!"

The tree roots wrapped around the astrolabe and tightened their grips on it.

Creak!

The astrolabe gave slightly.

"Lord Zhennan!"

When Lord Zhennan saw the Divine Soul Pearl in Tuoba Sicheng's hand, he grew even more furious.

"You think you can kill me? You overestimate yourself!" Tuoba Sicheng roared.

Swoosh!

Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe shrank rapidly.

Lord Zhennan who had lived a long life naturally was very experienced. He said coldly, "You're still wet behind the ears. How dare you play tricks in front of me? Die!"

The roots exploded with energy, sending flames flying in the sky.

Bang!

The astrolabe that was still shrinking was hit by the explosive power and cracked immediately.

Tuoba Sicheng's eyes widened in fear as he spat out blood. With this, he had lost a Birth Chart!

A Thousand Realms Whirling avatar suddenly appeared before it shrank into Tuoba Sicheng's body...

Chapter 1273: Demoted

How could someone like Tuoba Sicheng not have any life-saving techniques? He had puppets for occasions like this. However, why did the puppets not absorb the fatal strike? How did Lord Zhennan bypass his puppets and destroy his Birth Chart?

There were always loopholes in cultivation after all.

Lord Zhennan was an expert comparable to Tian Wu. When he dominated the world, Tuoba Sicheng was still playing with mud. Even if he and Tian Wu were no longer as strong as he was in the past, how could they be trampled by these juniors? Moreover, as the saying went, 'The older, the wiser'.

Tuoba Sicheng naturally would not sit back and wait for death. His eyes were bloodshot as he endured the excruciating pain. At some point, the black scimitar had appeared in his hand again. Furious, he exploded with all his energy. The astrolabe appeared under his feet, and a pillar of light shot into the sky.

"Break!"

Tuoba Sicheng and the green pillar of light shot toward Lord Zhennan. He became one with the pillar of light as he flew out.

Lord Zhennan stabilized himself with his roots as he waved countless branches in the air to meet Tuoba Sicheng's attack.

Boom!

The spectators had already grown numb to powerful shockwaves at this time. Everyone watched as the sky lit up like an aurora. It was extremely dazzling; it was as though the sun had finally risen in this place and chased the darkness away.

The mountains around the Pillar of Destruction shook and rumbled, looking like they were on the verge of collapse.

Lord Zhennan leaped up as the pillar of light landed on him. His roots spread out and fell down like a huge net toward Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe again. When they wrapped around Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe with vise-like grips again...

Crack!

Lord Zhennan's roots broke Tuoba Sicheng's astrolabe, which was 10,000-foot-long in diameter, again!

Following that, Lord Zhennan flew up, and Tuoba Sicheng fell down. One hovered among the clouds while the other crashed heavily on the ground.

Boom!

The earth trembled.

Lord Zhennan's furious voice rang from the sky. "Since I've chosen to uproot myself, why would I be afraid of risking my life to fight you? How stupid!"

When Tuoba Sicheng who was lying on the ground heard these words, he spat out another mouthful of blood. Blood spurted out of his mouth and drew an arc in the air before dropping to the ground. His eyes were bloodshot as he glared at the sky resentfully. He was human; why would he fight to the death with a tree? Moreover, he truly had been stupid; he let his competitiveness blind him. He could have watched from the side as Lu Zhou, Tian Wu, and Lord Zhennan fought, but he could not hold back from making a move.

Thinking about the Birth Chart Lord Zhennan destroyed, Tuoba Sicheng was immensely glad he had 20 Birth Charts. If he had 18 Birth Charts, losing one Birth Chart was not as simple as losing one Birth Chart.

At this time, Tuoba Sicheng's eyes widened imperceptibly as he watched Lord Zhennan descending from the sky. It seemed like Lord Zhennan was heavily injured as well. He endured the soul-piercing pain and hurriedly shouted, "Ye Zheng! What are you waiting for?!"

As soon as Tuoba Sicheng's words fell...

Ye Zheng and more than ten cultivators appeared in the sky above the Pillar of Destruction.

Eight pillars appeared in the sky, shooting out beams of light and forming an enclosed area.

As the cultivators spread out, Ye Zheng shot out like a cannonball toward Lord Zhennan.

"Sorry to have kept you waiting!"

Green light bloomed in Ye Zheng's palm. At the same time, the eight pillars released energy seals consecutively.

"It's over for you, Lord Zhennan!" Ye Zheng mobilized the power of the Dao.

The air stagnated for a moment.

Boom!

A monstrous force landed on the falling Lord Zhennan, piercing him.

"..."

Everyone watched in shock and disbelief as Lord Zhennan was defeated.

After his successful attack, Ye Zheng turned around. His body was bathed in a green light as the eight pillars continued shooting out beams of light that converged on him.

Ye Zheng's attack succeeded, and he turned around to hover in the air. His entire body was bathed in green light, and the eight pillars of light continuously shot out rays of light, gathering together with him.

"This is called the Eight-Sided Treasure Formation. It can gather the power of heaven and earth," Ye Zheng calmly said.

Lord Zhennan laughed. His laughter sounded horrifying. When his laughter subsided, he said, "I've already merged with the ancient tree. I'm heartless, soulless, and lifeless..."

"Hmmm"

The hole on Lord Zhennan's trunk was mending itself rapidly. At the same time, the roots began to gather and expand before digging into the ground. Then, streaks of green energy rushed into Lord Zhennan from his roots. The roots were greedily absorbing the energy from the ground.

Lu Zhou glanced at Lord Zhennan; he was not very interested in this ancient tree. He did not know why Lord Zhennan would make such a huge sacrifice and uproot itself. Lord Zhennan even used such a powerful move.

"Alright. I'll give you a little help." Lu Zhou pushed his hand out.

Bang!

The Pillar of Impermanence stabbed into the ground. Its range easily covered the eight pillars of the Eight-Sided Treasure Formation.

At this time, Lord Zhennan no longer cared about his lifespan. He only felt that the speed of circulation had increased.

"Go!"

Ye Zheng moved as fast as a shooting star toward Lord Zhennan. Ten cultivators flew out with him along with more than 20 of Tuoba Sicheng's men.

Lord Zhennan said thunderously, "The weak will have to pay the price!"

Lord Zhennan exploded with energy; flames surged out as flowers began to bloom on the branches.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The flaming flowers flew out like dandelions. With their sheer number, they looked like blooming fireworks.

The flaming flowers melted the ice in their wake, reducing the flowers, plants, and trees into ashes.

Ye Zheng held his astrolabe up to face the flaming flowers when he suddenly felt a terrifying burning energy invade his soul. He was so frightened that he hurriedly put his astrolabe away.

Alas, when Ye Zheng's put his astrolabe away, his men and Tuoba Sicheng's men, who had been injured by Lu Wu, turned into burning men.

A sea of fire raged in the sky at this moment. The sky was red, and the heat burned everyone's nerves.

Miserable cries rang in the air as the smell of burnt flesh permeated the air.

One after another, the cultivators' Birth Charts were destroyed until they had none left.

Death had arrived!

Ye Zheng was horrified! He retreated, trying to dodge the flaming flowers.

Tuoba Sicheng, who was lying on the ground, tried his best to keep the flaming flowers at bay as well.

Lu Zhou used the Confinement Seal to block the residual force from the flaming flowers.

This was not the end of Lord Zhennan's attack. At this time, flaming vines shot out and attacked Ye Zheng in a frenzy.

Bang! Bang! Bang! Bang!

With that, Ye Zheng's avatar that resembled Shang Fu, the three-headed bird, was forced out before its three heads were severed at the same time!

Ye Zheng, who was in a miserable state now, exploded with the power of the Dao. "You madman, Lord Zhennan!"

Boom!

Explosions rang from the sky.

Lord Zhennan was not intimidated at all. His roots tightened their grips around Ye Zheng.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Ye Zheng used the power of the Dao to make the void stagnate and the power of his Great Birth Chart to self-destruct. The flaming vines broke and fell.

With that Lord Zhennan stopped moving as the fire gradually died away.

Although Ye Zheng managed to free himself, he had been demoted.

Primal Qi raged in the air; a storm was brewing.

At this time, Ye Zheng called out, "Tuoba Sicheng, hurry up and help me gather Primal Qi!"

Chapter 1274: Conveying a Message

If a Venerable Master lost a Birth Chart, as long as he or she activated a Great Birth Chart within three days, he or she would become a Venerable Master again. However, the more vitality energy they absorbed, the longer it would take to return to their peak.

Tuoba Sicheng gritted his teeth and rose to his feet with great difficulty. Just as he was about to cast a technique to save Ye Zheng...

Lu Zhou flew over. His body was imbued with the divine power. He shouted, "I won't allow you to live!"

Ye Cheng sneered. "Tuoba Sicheng, kill him!"

Swoosh!

Tuoba Sicheng looked at Lu Zhou who was flying over as he licked the blood off the corner of his lips. "Do you think you're Lord Zhennan?"

Everyone held their breaths and watched unblinkingly.

Lu Zhou's speed was inferior to Tuoba Sicheng who still had 18 Birth Charts. Moreover, Tuoba Sicheng still had puppets.

Lu Zho spun as he shattered the enhanced Reduction Card in his hand. Ordinary Reduction Cards were not enough. At this critical time, it was safer to use the enhanced Reduction Card.

A dark orb sailed in the sky toward Tuoba Sicheng.

Boom!

When the dark orb landed on Tuoba Sicheng, once again, he felt the familiar and immense power that came with the familiar feeling of fear. He discovered he was unable to mobilize or grasp the power of the Dao at this moment; it was as though it had vanished. Then, he felt as though an invisible pair of hands were grabbing his astrolabe in his Dantian's sea of Qi before forcefully dragging it out. He felt his heart sink into a bottomless abyss immediately.

Ye Zheng quickly tapped his acupoints and controlled the surging Primal Qi before he shouted, "Snap out of your fear and get rid of the illusion! Tuoba Sicheng!"

Ye Zheng's sound technique rolled out in all directions.

Tuoba Sicheng shivered before he regained his senses. He suppressed the fear in his heart and flew forward. Now that he was cornered, he felt a surge of power. He had to remain calm despite the lingering fear from before when he lost his Birth Charts. He told himself it did not matter if lost another Birth Chart as long he could recover it in three days. Then, he spat out a mouthful of blood and wiped his mouth before he said, "If I don't succeed today, I'd rather die!"

The black scimitar appeared in Tuoba Sicheng's hand again.

Swoosh! Swoosh! Swoosh!

The black scimitar split into four and flew toward Lu Zhou.

Ye Zheng swooped down at this moment.

"Master!" Lu Zhou's disciples exclaimed in shock. They were all worried.

"Lu Wu, hurry up!"

Lu Wu stomped on the ground and leaped up. However, as soon as it leaped up...

Lu Zhou calmly launched a heaven-shaking golden palm seal toward Tuoba Sicheng and shouted, "Return to the Void!"

The Return to the Void palm seal was not overly large. It looked like a bright lamp in the night sky. In the middle of the palm seal, the script for 'Void' flashed dazzlingly.

When the palm seal arrived before Tuoba Sicheng, it suddenly expanded 100 times in size before it grabbed his entire person.

Crack!

The five fingers from the golden palm seal clenched tightly.

Energy seals swept out, stirring up the clouds and uprooting thousands of trees.

Lu Zhou did not stop. He spun around and pushed his hand out to meet Ye Zheng with all his divine power.

Bang!

Ye Zheng was sent flying in the air like a kite with a broken string. He spat out a mouthful of blood immediately.

"Ding! Destroyed a Birth Chart. Reward: 5,000 merit points."

"My Birth Chart!" Ye Zheng's eyes were bloodshot. He looked as though he had lost his mind as he reached out grabbing at the air. It was as though he was trying to grab the vitality energy and Birth Chart that was leaving him.

It was not a big deal for a Venerable Master to lose one Birth Chart. However, losing two was a different story. It meant that from now on, there would be one less Venerable Master.

This was the best method Lu Zhou could come up with. Deal with Tuoba Sicheng using the Return to the Void palm seal and reduce Ye Zheng's Birth Charts to 16 so that Lu Wu could deal with him.

The effect on Ye Zheng was far more serious than that of Qin Naihe in the past. Previously, Qin Naihe was at peak condition so he was not injured.

On the other hand, the heads of Ye Zheng's Shang Fu, the three-headed bird, were destroyed, and he had been severely injured by Lord Zhennan. Hence, it was not difficult to destroy his Birth Chart at this time.

Meanwhile, the Return to the Void palm seal continued tightening its grip around Tuoba Sicheng. The huge script for the word 'Void' grew brighter and brighter at the same time.

Crack!

Tuoba Sicheng, who was unable to see anything within the confines of the palm seal, struggled with all his might when he suddenly felt huge pressure bearing down on him from all directions. All of a sudden, his body stiffened, and he stopped moving.

It was over.

The Return to the Void palm seal dissipated as Tuoba Sicheng, who was drenched in blood, dropped from the sky.

Boom!

At this time, Lu Wu seized the chance and pounced toward Ye Zheng.

Ye Zheng shuddered when he saw Lu Wu pouncing toward him. He hurriedly grabbed his belt and yanked it. Following that, he began to shine brightly.

"You want to escape?" Lu Wu said in a deep voice. Its nine tails unfurled in the air again.

Swoosh!

The area within a radius of 1,000 meters turned into a world of ice again.

"Arghhhh!"

"Ding! Destroyed one Birth Chart. Reward: 5,000 merit points."

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At the same time, a pillar of light shot into the sky. When the light disappeared, Ye Zheng was nowhere to be seen.

Boom!

When Lu Wu landed on the ground, an expression of fury could be seen on his face.

The battle had ended.

The area around the Pillar of Destruction was completely destroyed. Not one spot was left intact. Even the lake water had dried up. Under the torture of the wave of ice and fire, the flowers, plants, and trees were gone.

Everyone was in a daze as they surveyed their surroundings. It took them a long time to calm down.

Lord Zhennan who was lying on the ground motionlessly and charred was emitting green smoke.

Next to the lake, Tian Wu lay on the ground, drenched in blood, as she looked at the scene before her in a daze.

At this moment, only one person was left in the sky: Lu Zhou.

After an unknown amount of time had passed, Lu Wu said, "I want to kill him!"

Lu Zhou shook his head and said, "There's no need." Then, he called out in a deep voice, "Zhao Yu."

Zhao Yu regained his senses and replied in a trembling voice, "O-old... Old Sir."

"You're from the green lotus domain's royal family. Send a message to Yannan," Lu Zhou said.

"Huh?"

"Don't tell me you can't do it," Lu Zhou said as he looked at Zhao Yu with burning eyes.

"I... I... Of course, I can do it! Please give me your orders, Old Sir!" Zhao Yu said. His palms were sweaty, and his legs were trembling.

"Tell the four elders of Yannan to bring Ye Zheng's head to me. If they fail to do so, I'll wash Yannan with blood," Lu Zhou said indifferently.

"..."

Sometimes, one could not and should not show mercy. Whether it was Tuoba Sicheng or Ye Zheng, they both had to pay the price for their actions.

Thud!

Zhao Yu lost the strength in his legs and fell limply to the ground. After hesitating for a moment, he finally forced himself to say, "Pass the message..."

One of Zhao Yu's men rushed over and silently bowed.

"Pass this message to Yannan. Tell the four elders of Yannan to bring... to bring Ye Zheng's head... to..." Zhao Yu stuttered.

Kong Wen interjected, "To Pavilion Master Lu of the Evil Sky Pavilion..."

"Understood." Zhao Yu's man bowed..

Chapter 1275: Karma, Mortal Enemies, and Reincarnation

At this moment, Yu Zhenghai suddenly said, "Wait, remember to convey my master's message verbatim..."

"Y-yes..." Zhao Yu's man trembled. He was filled with fear and anxiety. He fumbled and dropped the talismans out of nervousness. He hurriedly picked them up and sent the message in a hurry. Following that, he fell to the ground limply like his master, Zhao Yu.

Lu Zhou descended to the ground and looked at Tuoba Sicheng who was lying on the ground, unable to move and drenched in blood. He walked to Tuoba Sicheng's side and saw Tuoba Sicheng's lips opening and closing as he stared ahead lifelessly. Then, he shifted his eyes to the black scimitar lying in a pool of frozen blood.

Tuoba Sicheng tried his best to breathe and circulate his energy. Alas, he was like an ordinary person now. He found it difficult to accept and adapt. When he saw Lu Zhou standing above him, he suddenly felt he had been too stupid. How could someone who possessed extreme techniques, fought back and forth with Tian Wu, and defeated and subdued Lu Wu be just a Venerable Master? Some like that ought to be a Saint.

Tuoba Sicheng tried to speak, but blood gurgled in his throat, making it difficult for him to form even one word. He suddenly grabbed the Divine Soul Pearl next to him and crawled forward with great difficulty.

Lu Zhou did not make a move. He only watched as Tuoba Sicheng crawled on the ground.

Tuoba Sicheng crawled over more than ten meters before he came to an abrupt stop. His body stiffened for a brief moment before he fell limply to the ground.

Lu Zhou shook his head. "You brought this upon yourself..."

As soon as Lu Zhou's voice fell, Tuoba Sicheng shuddered and exhaled his last breath.

"Ding! Killed a target. Reward: 20,000 merit points. Domain bonus: 5,000 merit points."

It was commendable that Tuoba Sicheng managed to survive this long before dying after his cultivation base was destroyed by Return to the Void and suffering various injuries.

Lu Zhou waved his hand.

Swoosh!

The Divine Soul Pearl and black scimitar flew into his hands.

"Ding! Obtained the Divine Soul Pearl. This item is formed from the force of a Saint or a more powerful being. Only the original owner can recover its energy."

"Ding! Obtained Asura Scimitar. Owner: Tuoba Sicheng. Fusion grade. Can unleash four great explosions. Cannot be refined."

Lu Zhou could understand that the Divine Soul Pearl's energy could only be recovered by its owner. After all, it was formed from Tian Wu's essence; it was like its lifeheart. However, he could not understand why the Asura Scimitar could not be refined. He studied it for a moment before looking away.

As though it understood Lu Zhou's thoughts, Lu Wu said, "Items that had been previously refined with blood essence have no use..."

Lu Zhou nodded inwardly. This made sense. Venerable Masters valued their weapons far more than ordinary cultivators did. They would definitely use some special methods to ensure that the weapon would only belong to them alone. Nevertheless, even if it were useless, he could still disassemble it. No matter it was still a fusion-grade weapon.

Meanwhile, the people of the Evil Sky Pavilion remained guarded. They did not move around rashly. Instead, they looked at Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu, worried that the two monsters would suddenly leap up.

Lu Zhou walked over like a mortal. In fact, he missed walking on solid ground like a normal person. Alas, this was a world where the strong preyed on the weak so he did not have much chance to walk in this manner. When he walked on the ground, he was reminded again that he was human made out of flesh and blood.

Lu Zhou came to the side of the charred ancient tree. He glanced at it before he asked, "Do you regret it?"

Thud! Thud! Thud!

The charred branches fell to the ground one after another. It did not take long before only the tree trunk was left lying quietly on the frozen ground.

Lord Zhennan turned to look at Tian Wu who was lying on the right. After his coughing fit subsided, he said, "You finally can't fight anymore..."

Tian Wu laughed weakly. "You're going to die before me..."

"Is it worth it?"

"Yes."

Lord Zhennan sighed and no longer spoke.

Tian Wu struggled to sit up on the frozen ground before she stared at Lu Zhou. She shook her head when she recalled today's events. There was no fear in her eyes, only endless sorrow and helplessness, as she said, "This is probably fate..."

Lu Zhou asked, "Why were you guarding this place?"

Tian Wu and Lord Zhennan remained silent.

Lu Zhou rested his hands on his back before he said with a sigh, "Let me remind you that you don't have long to live. Is there a meaning to bringing this secret to your graves?"

Lord Zhennan said with more strength than that of a dying person, "I have to admit, you're really extraordinary..."

Lu Zhou remained expressionless.

Lord Zhennan continued to say, "We're here to wait for the next Great Void Seed..."

It did not escape Lu Zhou's notice that Lord Zhennan had used the word 'we'.

Tian Wu continued to remain silent.

"To become supreme beings?" Lu Zhou asked.

Lord Zhennan remained silent, which was equivalent to a tacit agreement.

Strangely, Tian Wu did not respond.

Lu Zhou said, "The world is really filled with strange people. For the sake of the Great Void Seeds, you're willing to pay such a huge price. Even if you understood the cultivation path of a supreme being, what can you do? Can you turn into a person again?"

Naturally, Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu had also thought about this question; they just did not want to dwell on it. Everyone in the world sought the cultivation path and so would they.

At this time, Lu Wu walked over and asked, "Both of you were already guarding Yu Zhong three hundred years ago, right?"

Tian Wu glanced at Lu Wu and said tonelessly, "I didn't expect that Little Lu Wu would become a beast emperor... Ha!"

Lu Wu huffed, expressing its dissatisfaction. "A defeated opponent shouldn't be arrogant!"

"That's enough..." Lord Zhennan's aura grew weaker. It seemed like he knew he was going to die soon and did not want to waste time on this meaningless bickering. He sighed heavily and said, "It's been more than 300 years. I didn't expect there to be someone who remembers us... Moreover, it's a beast. Humans... Humans... never learn from their mistakes... History will always repeat itself..."

At this time, Tian Wu pointed at Mingshi Yin. "Tell him to come over."

Lu Zhou shook his head. "Know your place."

"You dare!"

"Hmm?"

Lu Zhou and Tian Wu's voices were both powerful.

However, perhaps, Tian Wu was used to being arrogant that she had briefly forgotten her life was in Lu Zhou's hand at this moment. After a moment, she lowered her head. The light in her eyes dimmed as she said, "I'd like to invite him here..."

Lu Zhou turned around and waved his hand. "Bring Old Fourth here."

Yan Zhenluo and Lu Li carried the frozen Mingshi Yin over before stopping 10 meters away from Tian Wu.

Tian Wu frowned. "Come closer."

Yan Zhenluo and Lu Li did not dare to act rashly. They looked to Lu Zhou for further instructions.

Lu Zhou waved his hand.

The duo moved five meters forward.

"Closer." Tian Wu's eyes glowed.

At this time, Lu Zhou launched a palm seal toward Mingshi Yin.

Bam!

The ice encasing Mingshi Yin shattered as vitality energy surged into Mingshi Yin's Dantian's sea of Qi, suppressing the green light he emitted.

Mingshi Yin coughed and returned to his senses. He felt as though a lifetime had passed as he looked around in confusion.

"Can you return me my Divine Soul Pearl?" Tian Wu asked.

Upon hearing Tian Wu's voice, Mingshi Yin instinctively retreated 10 meters.

Tian Wu looked at Mingshi Yin as though she had known before.

"Hey, hey, why are you looking at me like that? I don't know you. Stay away from me!" Mingshi Yin thought about Tian Wu and Lord Zhennan's half-human and half-monster appearance, and he could not help but shiver. Their appearances were really difficult to accept. Moreover, he really did not know them!

Tian Wu said, "More than 300 years ago..."

Chapter 1276: The Pillar of Destruction's Recognition

Lord Zhennan interjected impatiently, "The Great Void Seed here from 300 years ago was nourished by our 10,000-year-old blood essence and qi."

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Everyone inhaled sharply and looked at each other in shock.

Zhao Yu mustered up his courage and asked, "A Great Void Seed would grow at each of the ten Pillars of Destruction. Why did you choose the one here? Apart from that, since you guarded the seed day and night, how did someone end up stealing it? Based on your strength at that time, even a Saint would find it difficult to steal the seed, right?"

Lord Zhennan said, "We fell asleep. Do you believe it?"

Everyone. "..."

'Who the hell would believe such an excuse? Can't you come up with a better excuse? Moreover, both of you fell asleep at the same time?! This excuse is too fake!'

Cultivators could go without sleep and food for a long time. How could the mighty Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu fall asleep?

"The loss of blood essence and qi forced us to enter a state of recovery."

Lu Zhou asked, puzzled, "Didn't you make preparations?"

Lord Zhennan chuckled. "You think I didn't make preparations? The killing formation in the Forest of Horrors was just a small killing formation; it's just the tip of the iceberg. 300 years ago, the preparations I made killed a group of ignorant black, white, and red lotus cultivators."

Everyone was shocked.

Yan Zhenluo exclaimed, "The Great Void Expedition's destination was Yu Zhong?"

"They overestimated themselves and paid a heavy price. In the end, they only managed to leave with a handful of soil. Was that worth showing off?" Lord Zhennan said slightly pridefully.

"So how did you lose the Great Void Seed..." Lu Zhou asked.

Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu. "..."

After a moment of silence, Lord Zhennan said, "Up until now, I still don't know the Great Void Seed was lost..."

Zhao Yu asked, "Could it be someone from the Great Void?"

Everyone looked at Lord Zhennan.

"Impossible," Lord Zhennan said, "If it were the people from the Great Void, they could've just killed everyone. Second, after the seed was lost, they came to Yu Zhong."

Tian Wu looked at Ming Shiyin again. "Did the people of the Great Void give you the seed?"

Mingshi Yin shook his head. "Of course not! My master gave it to me!"

"..."

Tian Wu and Lu Zhou looked at Lu Zhou in unison with eyes brimming with doubt, shock, and questions.

Lu Zhou frowned slightly. Part of Ji Tiandao's memories in the memory crystal were lost so he could verify Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu's words or if he had met them before. There was also that matter with Lu Tiantong.

"Do you recognize me?"

Tian Wu shook her head.

How strange. Ji Tiandao possessed all ten Great Void Seeds so he had definitely come to Yu Zhong before. Then, why were Tian Wu and Lord Zhennan unaware of it?

"I participated in the Great Void Expedition back then..." Lu Zhou said.

Everyone looked at Lu Zhou in shock. The participants of the Great Void Expeditions were unafraid of death, and those who survived were all awe-inspiring powerhouses. Who knew the Pavilion Master of the Evil Sky Pavilion was such a legendary figure?

Lu Zhou continued to say with a straight face, "I only obtained a Great Void Seed due to luck."

"It's fate." Tian Wu shook her head. "If the Divine Soul Pearl emits light when it's near him, it'll prove the origin of the Great Void Seed."

Lu Zhou turned around and tossed the Divine Soul Pearl out.

The Divine Soul Pearl flew around Mingshi Yin before it suddenly lit up.

At this time, Lord Zhennan's charred upper trunk broke into pieces.

Tian Wu coughed violently. Her face turned pale as she smiled. She kept muttering, "Fate... It's fate..."

Crash!

Lord Zhennan's tree-like body completely fell apart at this moment. The middle of the tree trunk that had split open revealed a cylindrical stone with a line of words: The Tomb of Lord Zhennan. An intact skeleton lay inside the trunk as well. Strange symbols and scripts were carved on the bones, and its four limbs were tightly fused to the inside of the tree trunk.

Although this scene was rather dark, everyone could not help but sigh and shake their heads now that an expert of a generation like Lord Zhennan was dead.

"So it's a parasitic technique."

"How sad..."

They kept sighing and shaking their heads, feeling slightly melancholic.

In this world, there was no absolute right or wrong.

At this time, Tian Wu's laughter rang in the air, pulling everyone back to their senses. All of them retreated slightly.

Tian Wu's laughter was filled with sorrow. She did not look at Lord Zhennan and forced herself to look in another direction. Blood flowed out of her seven orifices as she continued to laugh.

"This..."

Everyone retreated again.

Only Lu Zhou stood without moving. He sighed as he looked at Tian Wu and Lord Zhennan.

"Master, is she going to die too?" Little Yuan'er asked in a small voice.

Lu Zhou did not answer her.

Little Yuan'er said before trailing off, "The Divine Soul Pearl..."

"The Divine Soul Pearl can't save her," Lu Wu said, "Her Dantian's sea of Qi has long been destroyed, and all of her life force was gathered in the Divine Soul Pearl."

When Tian Wu's laughter stopped, the light in her eyes vanished as well.

Everything returned to darkness. Youth was fleeting, and beauty was fragile. In just a blink of an eye, Tian Wu had become an old woman.

At this time, Tian Wu finally turned around and shuffled closer toward Lord Zhennan. "The Great Void Seed carries our expectations. We hope you'll be able to obtain the Pillar of Destruction's recognition."

Tian Wu's words were clearly directed at Mingshi Yin.

"The Pillar of Destruction's recognition?"

"I believe that you have a rare and valuable quality... because you're unaffected by the formation in the Forest of Horrors," Tian Wu said as her voice grew weaker and weaker.

At this time, Lu Zhou asked the question that had formed in his heart, "Were you and Lord Zhennan husband and wife?"

Tian Wu remained silent.

Everyone looked at each other in shock and disbelief.

Little Yuan'er asked in confusion, "Then, why did you fight?"

This pair of mortal enemies turned out to be husband and wife.

In the end, Tian Wu said, "Let this secret be buried forever. I have a request."

The others clearly still had questions, but Lu Zhou raised his hand and said, "Speak."

"Seal us at the bottom of the lake..."

"Alright."

"Thank you..."

Tian Wu's face aged again. The light gradually vanished from her eyes as she spoke her final sentence. "Perhaps, you'd be the one to change the world..."

After saying that, she hardened into stone.

"…"

There was a time when everyone wanted to live forever. Cultivators managed to change their fate, but what was their ultimate goal? Perhaps, they did not even know the answer. In the end, everything would return to the earth.

The silence in the Unknown Land was terrifying.

The night wind blew, showing no signs of stopping. Not a single fierce beast could be seen.

No one knew how much time had passed.

Finally, Lu Zhou waved his sleeve. "Old Fourth."

"Yes, master."

Lu Zhou sighed heavily before he said, "I'll leave it to you to bury them."

"Understood." The usual mischievous and mocking expression on Mingshi Yin's face was nowhere to be seen at the moment.. Instead, his expression was solemn.

Chapter 1277: At the Pillar of Destruction

Mingshi Yin jumped into the dried lake and cleared the area before he dug a pit and returned to the land. Then, he carefully gathered Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu's remains.

The others wanted to help, but sensing the solemnity of the situation, they watched quietly in accordance with the rule that the dead were the most important. In fact, they did not particularly dislike Lord Zhennan or Tian Wu and even felt some sympathy for them. It was a pity that the duo was reduced to this state. They could only let out a long sigh.

Mingshi Yin placed Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu's remains side by side at the bottom of the lake before he asked, "Master, should we leave a marker for their graves?"

"No need," Lu Zhou said.

After they left, there would be experts and adventurers coming to Yu Zhong. Rather than leaving a marker for their graves, it would be better to let them return to nature.

Then, Mingshi Yin did as his master instructed and began to fill the lake up with soil. Following that, using his Bluewood Heart Technique, he accelerated the growth of the trees and the grass within a radius of 1,000 meters.

The devastated land after the battle was soon covered with lush and verdant trees and grass.

The burnt smell and the metallic smell of blood lingered in the air, the only indication that a terrible battle had taken place here.

Finally, everyone turned around to look at the Pillar of Destruction.

On the other hand, Lu Zhou briefly checked everyone's situation. Apart from looking slightly disheveled, all of them were fine.

Lu Wu was originally in the worst state after being injured. However, with Whitzard's help, it had recovered.

After Lu Zhou put away the Pillar of Impermanence, he said, "Collect everything."

"Understood."

It was finally time for them to harvest the spoils of war. This was also the most exciting time for the members of the Evil Sky Pavilion.

Everyone scattered in all directions. They collected everything, including the weapons of the dead cultivators. They searched everywhere for fire lotuses, snow lotuses, blood ginseng, mystic life grass, and other natural treasures. Unfortunately, many of them were destroyed by Lord Zhennan's flames.

They were not worried they had no place to store their harvest. With a huge fierce beast like Lu Wu, they could even take away all the treasures from the ten Pillars of Destruction.

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At this time, Yannan was eerily quiet.

The four elders of the Ye Clan stood side by side and looked at the imbalance phenomenon in the sky.

Dark clouds covered the sky as the wind continued to howl and rage.

After the deaths of 36 flag bearers of the 36 Big Dipper Flag Formation, the remaining capable disciples had left Yannan with Ye Zheng.

The four elders, Ye Wei; Ye Yiqing; Ye Yuanjiu; and Ye Geng, wore solemn expressions on their faces and remained silent.

All of a sudden, like a meteor falling from the sky, a bare-chested Ye Zheng who looked utterly miserable dropped from the sky.

Boom!

When Ye Zheng landed, he could not find his footing and slid quite a distance away before coming to a stop. Following that, he spat out a mouthful of blood.

Logically speaking, as a Venerable Master, Ye Zheng should not be in such a sorry state. Even if he had lost quite a number of Birth Charts, he was still a cultivator at the Thousand Realms Whirling stage. How could he be in such a state? He had lost all bearing of a Venerable Master.

"Venerable Master Ye?!" the four elders exclaimed in unison.

Ye Zheng rushed over and said, "Don't ask. Quickly prepare the mystic life grass and the medicine bucket. I need to recover my Birth Charts."

"What's going on?" Ye Wei asked.

Ye Zheng frowned. He had never been one to vent his anger on his own people. After all, he was a high and mighty Venerable Master who stood above others; he would not stoop to such lowly behavior. He was revered and had a glorious reputation. However, at this moment, he was very close to losing his temper. Fortunately, the pain blunted the edges of his anger. Finally, he said, "Bring the Great Void Pills as well..."

Upon hearing these words, Ye Yiqing asked, "Have you forgotten the Great Void Pills have been given to Venerable Master Tuoba?"

"Then, bring me the things we have! I'm going into seclusion," Ye Zheng said in a grave tone, "I won't be seeing anyone for 100 years."

Ye Wei asked anxiously, "What happened? Can you at least explain it to us?"

The other three elders stood in a row next to Ye Wei and bowed, blocking Ye Zheng's path. Based on their actions, they were clearly not moving until Ye Zheng gave them an explanation.

Ye Zheng was livid. He finally lost control of his temper as he roared, "Ye Wei, how dare you!"

Ye Wei hurriedly fell to one knee. "Venerable Master, please calm down!"

"Scram!" Ye Zheng shouted.

However, Ye Wei did not move at all.

The other three elders followed suit and fell to their knees before saying in unison, "Venerable Master, please calm down!"

This was akin to adding fuel to Ye Zheng's anger. He pointed at the distance and said, seething with fury, "All of you, get lost!"

Ye Wei looked into the distance and asked, "Are you the only one who came back?"

"Are you questioning me?" Ye Zheng suddenly felt like there was something amiss with the four elders' attitude.

"Did they die?" Ye Wei asked again, undeterred.

Ye Zheng ignored Ye Wei. He endured the pain and brushed past the four elders. Just as he walked past Ye Wei...

Swoosh!

An energy sword suddenly shot out, piercing Ye Zheng's back and exiting in front. It easily pierced through his slender and injured body.

The furious expression on Ye Zheng's face was immediately replaced by one of shock and disbelief.

Drip!

Fresh blood dripped out of the wound caused by the green energy sword onto the moss-covered stone slab. The blood flowed out of his wound like the life leaving his body.

Ye Wei wore a pained expression on his face as he made a move again. He used Yannan's strongest sword technique and struck again.

Ye Zheng was severely injured and was on the verge of collapse, to begin with. On top of that, he was also just pierced by the green energy sword. Now that he was mercilessly attacked again, he lost his balance immediately and fell to his knees. He wanted to ask why, but he suddenly felt that it was no longer important. Everything was no longer important.

"Only with your death can we protect Yannan..." Ye Wei said.

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At the Pillar of Destruction in the Unknown Land's Yu Zhong.

"Pavilion Master, we've searched everywhere. We've obtained 23 stalks of mystic life grass, 6 mystic microstones, 12 fire lotuses, 15 snow lotuses, 5 blood ginseng, 6 heaven-grade weapons, and two beast kings' life hearts," Yan Zhenluo reported.

"Life hearts?"

"The beast kings must have been caught in the battle..." Yan Zhenluo said.

Zhao Yu almost drooled when he heard these words. He quickly stepped forward and bowed before he asked, "Old sir, what about our previous agreement?"

"You're dreaming!" Mingshi Yin rolled his eyes. "It's good enough that master didn't kill someone like you who stood on the fence, but you still dare to ask for the treasures?"

Zhao Yu. "..."

In the end, Zhao Yu said, "Brother, I'm human. I'm naturally afraid of death. Is there anyone who doesn't want to live? I didn't betray you, old sir, nor did I harm you. I was honest from the very beginning."

Lu Zhou glanced at Zhao Yu and said, "Answer my question honestly."

A joyful expression appeared on Zhao Yu's face as he hastily said, "I'll tell you everything I know, old sir."

"You said yourself that you're part of Great Qin's royal family. Your identity must not be simple. Are you a relative of the royal family or are you the Crown Prince?" Lu Zhou asked.

Zhao Yu was stunned. The question was really direct.

Lu Zhou's gaze swept past Zhao Yu's men. They had been very respectful to Zhao Yu from the beginning to the end. Some of Zhao Yu's men had higher cultivation bases than him, but they were no less respectful to him. This only further proved that Zhao Yu's identity must be extraordinary.

After thinking for a moment, Zhao Yu finally said, "Old sir, you're thinking too much. I'm just someone without power and influence."

"Give him some of the fire lotuses," Lu Zhou said. He did not have time to waste with Zhao Yu now. The Pillar of Destruction was just right in front of him. It was time to go and have a look at it..

Chapter 1278: Fusion

Yan Zhenluo handed one fire lotus to Zhao Yu.

Zhao Yu was speechless. When he regained his senses, he said, "Old sir, didn't we agree that I'll have one of everything? This... This clearly isn't it..."

"Hm?"

"Ah, i-it's nothing," Zhao Yu hurriedly said before he put the fire lotus away. Then, he stared at Yan Zhenluo tying the bag up.

At this moment, Lu Li walked over. He pointed at the Pillar of Destruction and asked, "Shall we go over there, Pavilion Master?"

Lu Zhou nodded and flew to the eastern side of the Pillar of Destruction.

The top of the pillar could not be seen at all. It was like a mountain that towered past the dark clouds and swirling black fog.

In just a short moment, everyone arrived at the eastern side of the Pillar of Destruction.

The surface of the pillar was grainy and uneven.

"The diameter of the pillar is likely about 1,000 meters."

From afar, they did not think much of the Pillar of Destruction. However, now that they were so close, they realized how thick it was.

"Master, this way..." Little Yuan'er called out as she pointed to an entrance that was carved out on the Pillar of Destruction.

Everyone rushed over.

The entrance looked like it was man-made.

Due to Lu Wu's size, it could only wait outside while the others entered the Pillar of Destruction.

"Watch out for traps."

Assuming the pillar's diameter was 1,000 meters, they reached the interior after they were 300-400 meters in. There were no traps so far.

Everyone was puzzled when they had a good look at the pillar's interior. Needless to say, the interior was circular. Nothing could be seen when one looked up. There was a circle on the ground with a diameter of 200 meters at the center of the pillar. The walls were filled with strange and alien symbols.

Since Lu Zhou had night vision, he had a good look at the place. It seemed like the higher it was, the narrower it became inside the pillar.

The most surprising thing was a blue sphere of light that covered about 50 diameters on the ground. The ground shrouded by the blue light sphere was filled with blue crystals. They were arranged neatly and pointed to the center. In the center of the blue crystals was what looked like a blue crystal bottle that was absorbing the blue crystals' energies. In the blue light sphere, energies twined around each other and flowed harmoniously. It was like a vast galaxy. Every now and then, the energies would flash, looking like stars in the night sky.

"It's like the universe inside!"

Everyone was stunned by the incomparably beautiful scene before their eyes.

"This... Is this the Great Void Seed?" Zhao Yu asked as he pointed at the object that looked like a blue crystal bottle. He walked over and reached out to touch it. However, as soon as his fingers came in contact with the blue light sphere, he felt something like an electric current zapping him before he was sent flying back.

Bang!

Zhao Yu flew backward and crashed against the inner wall of the pillar.

The wall seemed very sturdy. It did not shake nor crack under Zhao Yu's weight. Not even small pebbles fell.

Zhao Yu coughed twice as he looked at the blue light sphere in surprise. It seemed like the pain did not register at all as he looked at the object that resembled a blue crystal bottle.

The others only glanced at Zhao Yu briefly before they turned back to look at the scene before them.

Lu Zhou sighed softly. He did not expect to see so many blue crystals here. If he did not see it with his eyes, who would really believe the blue crystals were really like fertile soil for Great Void Seeds.

If one looked closely, one would be able to see the blue crystals were, in fact, not crystals at all. They were soil. The soil was only because of the light from the blue light sphere. Perhaps, it would only solidify into crystals after leaving the interior of the Pillar of Destruction.

"This is the new generation of Great Void Seed. In just 300 years, it has grown so big. I wonder what it'd look like after 30,000 years."

It took 30,000 years for Great Void Seeds to mature. Most of them would not be able to live that long. After all, even a Venerable Master could only live for 30,000 years.

At this time, many of them had thoughts of taking the Great Void Seed in front of them for themselves.

Who in the world would have such thoughts with the Great Void Seed in front of them? Only Lu Zhou did not have such thoughts. After all, he already had ten Great Void Seeds, and he had them for more than 300 years.

"Master, do you plan to take it away?" Little Yuan'er stepped forward curiously. However, she was pushed away as well despite possessing the Great Void Seed. Unlike Zhao Yu, she was only pushed a distance away.

"Just take some of the soil..." Lu Zhou said.

"Let me try," Yan Zhenluo said. Unsurprisingly, he was sent flying back as well.

Kong Wen and the others met with the same outcome as well.

In the end, apart from the Evil Sky Pavilion's nine disciples who were only pushed back slightly, the others, including Zhao Yu's men, were sent flying back. No one noticed the abnormalities with Lu Zhou's disciples.

At this time, Mingshi Yin was the only Evil Sky Pavilion who had yet to try.

"Fourth Senior Brother, you should try taking it," Little Yuan'er said.

Yu Zhenghai chimed in, "Maybe Tian Wu is right. Only you can bypass the blue sphere..."

Everyone nodded.

Lu Zhou said, "Old Fourth, have a try."

"Yes, master." Mingshi Yin was not very confident. Although Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu had confirmed that the Great Void Seed in his body came from this place, he still found it hard to believe. He reached out tentatively, expecting to be pushed back. However, when he made contact with the blue sphere, it felt as though he was submerging his hand into the sea. The temperature was moderate and enjoyable. Not only was he not pushed back, but he felt rather comfortable as well.

Everyone was overjoyed upon seeing this.

Mingshi Yin continued to move forward. Then, he placed one foot into the blue sphere. When he stepped into the blue sphere, it opened for him before closing again.

Mingshi Yin turned around and said with a grin, "It seems like I'm really the chosen one!"

"..."

"It's quite comfortable in here," Mingshi Yin said as he inhaled deeply. He felt very energetic.

"Congratulations, Mr. Fourth!"

"Congratulations, Fourth Senior Brother!"

Mingshi Yin waved his hand and said with a smile, "There's no need to be so polite."

Mingshi Yin saw the blue energy floating up from the blue soil and surging into him. It was similar to the energy from the Great Void Seed in his body. He wondered if the Great Void Seed in front of him resonated with the one in his body, causing the energy to surge restlessly. He felt the energy surge toward his Dantian's sea of Qi.

Zhao Yu said with barely concealed awe, "Since he's been acknowledged by the Pillar of Destruction, this Great Void Seed will fuse with him."

"Fuse with him?"

"The Great Void Seed is like a medicinal pill. Not everyone will have the same effect after obtaining it. Some people can only display one-tenth of its power while some can fully utilize its power. After his fusion, he'd be able to unlock the potential of the Great Void Seed. From now on, his cultivation base is going to rise crazily," Zhao Yu said.

Mingshi Yin waved his hand and feigned humility as he said, "It's nothing really. In fact, my cultivation base has already been rising crazily even before this..."

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Despite the humble tone, these words were clearly meant to show off.

Lu Zhou was inwardly surprised. Based on his memories, he knew that out of all his disciples, the Great Void Seeds had the best effect on Little Yuan'er and Mingshi Yin. However, in the early days, Mingshi Yin's cultivation method was flawed, slowing down his cultivation speed. The one with the worst effect was Duanmu Sheng. Fortunately, with Lu Wu's help, Duanmu Sheng's Great Void Seed was fusing with the different energies in his body.

If Tian Wu was right, did it not mean all ten of his disciples would be recognized by the Pillars of Destruction and would be able to fully unleash the potential of the Great Void Seeds in their bodies?

At this moment, the energy within the blue sphere began to buzz before a bolt of blue lightning shot up. Then, the Pillar of Destruction began to shake..

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Before anyone could react, the blue lightning bolt had already shot up and vanished.

Boom!

The sound of an explosion rang powerfully in the air.

At this moment, Mingshi Yin hovered in the air. When all the energy gathered in his Dantian's sea of Qi, the energy suddenly shot out like spiderwebs, binding his body.

"What's happening?"

Everyone was taken aback.

Mingshi Yin wore a dumbfounded expression on his face as he looked to the left and right. Then, he hurriedly brought his Separation Hook out before he flew back and forth in the blue sphere as he tried to slash at the energy. Alas, the Separation Hook only seemed to cut through air; there was no effect at all. At the same time, the energy continued to drag him up.

Mingshi Yin frowned. "Am I going to heaven?"

"Junior brother, I'll lend you a hand," Yu Zhenghai said. He tapped his foot and leaped up in the air. He wielded the Jasper Saber with both hands as it shot out a huge energy blade that seemed capable of cleaving the heavens and earth into two.

Bang!

As soon as the energy blade landed on the blue sphere, it disappeared without a trace.

Everyone exchanged a look before they unleashed their skills, trying to break the blue sphere. Alas, their attempts were all in vain.

Zhao Yu frowned as he said, "Since he gained the Pillar of Destruction's recognition, is he being brought to a runic passage at the top of the pillar?"

"Now's not the time to talk about this. Hurry up and think of a way to save Mr. Fourth," Kong Wen said.

They tried to approach the blue sphere, but no matter how hard they tried, they would be pushed back. They could not get any closer.

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At the same time.

In the white palace.

A female attendant rushed to the entrance of the palace and said, "Master, The maid rushed to the outside of the palace and bowed, "Master, the Sacred Hall has sent news that a Great Void Seed has matured."

Lan Xihe, who was meditating, opened her eyes immediately. A hint of shock flashed in her eyes as she said, "How's that possible?"

The Great Void Seeds matured every 30,000 years. This was the way it had always been. It had only been 300 years since the last batch of Great Void Seed matured. It was impossible for it to mature so quickly. Moreover, she had participated in the Great Void Expedition so she knew what the situation was like.

"The Sacred Hall's messenger said that there should be no mistake. He said it's from the Great Desolate Land. They'll send people there to investigate," the female attendant replied.

Lan Xihe shook her head. "Since they're planning to verify this matter, does this mean many people already know about this?"

"No. Only a few people are privy to this matter. The messenger said that outside of the Sacred Hall, only you and I are aware of this matter," the female attendant replied.

"Continue to investigate. If there's a need, I'll personally head over to the Great Desolate Land," Lan Xihe said.

"Understood."

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In Yu Zhong, formerly known as the Great Desolate Land.

Inside the Pillar of Destruction.

The people of the Evil Sky Pavilion watched helplessly as Mingshi Yin rose higher and higher into the air. The energy in the blue sphere surged continued to drag him up.

"Stand back," Lu Zhou finally said.

Everyone took a few steps back.

Lu Zhou walked over and placed his hand on the sphere. He felt the numbing sensation from an electric current before he felt a slight push. Unlike the others, he was not pushed back; he stayed where he was since the force was not strong enough to push him away. However, the electric-like energy made him feel a little numb and uncomfortable.

Since Lu Zhou had depleted his divine power, he could only use his blue avatar. Earlier, after his divine power had been restored by Whitzard, he had used it to power the blue avatar, and the remaining was used on Lu Wu. Fortunately, the blue avatar was now a Two Leaf Hundred Tribulations Insight avatar so it was not too weak.

A small amount of divine power surged out and coursed through his Eight extraordinary meridians before surging out of his palm.

Swoosh!

With that, the blue sphere opened up before everyone's eyes.

Lu Zhou stepped into the blue sphere. The energy in there was similar to the divine power but different at the same time. The Great Void energy that rose from the ground made him feel uncomfortable.

"Come down!" Lu Zhou raised his hand, unleashing the Fiend Monk's Hand Seal. Since he used his own cultivation base to unleash this palm seal, he did it with ease.

The palm seal grabbed Mingshi Yin and dragged him down. However, energy from all directions continued surging into his Dantian's sea of Qi as the blue light grew brighter and brighter.

"Sit down."

"Understood." Mingshi Yin did as he was told. He regulated his breathing, inhaling and exhaling. Soon enough, the energy was no longer restless as they entered his Dantian's sea of Qi. With that, the surroundings returned to normal as well.

Zhao Yu was thoroughly puzzled by this. He asked in disbelief, "Old sir, you can enter the blue sphere?"

Lu Zhou did not pay attention to Zhao Yu. He kept his gaze focused on Mingshi Yin who was gradually calming down. Then, he looked at the Great Void Seed, which still looked like a seedling, next to him before he moved to stand next to it. Then, he leaned forward and sniffed it. A unique fragrance wafted into his nostrils, causing him to feel as though he had traveled through time and space. A familiar yet unfamiliar feeling appeared in his mind before it unlocked the sealed memory at the corner of his mind. He only saw one scene: Ji Tiandao bending over to pluck a Great Void Seed.

Lu Zhou was slightly startled when he felt an electric current running through his entire body, numbing his body from his feet to the top of his head. It felt like countless ants were crawling on him.

'How did he do it?' The Great Void Energy had unlocked just a small part of the memory, and it was far from enough.

Lu Zhou stared at the Great Void Seed that everyone coveted and would die for. Alas, it was from being ripe for the pickings. At this time, its smell and energy turned familiar and comforting.

Lu Zhou looked at the soil on the ground before grabbing a fistful of it. With that, the Pillar of Destruction trembled again.

Following that, a magical scene appeared. The hole that appeared after Lu Zhou took the soil away magically filled up. Then, the soil in his hand quickly solidified into a blue crystal that was brimming with Great Void energy.

Lu Zhou's curiosity was piqued. He bent down and grabbed another fistful of soil.

Rumble!

This time, the tremors grew stronger, causing a huge rock to drop down from above.

When the rock fell into the range of the blue sphere, the electric-like energy wrapped around it. Just like that, the rock turned into nothingness. It was as though it never existed.

Lu Zhou bent down again.

Just as Lu Zhou was about to grab the soil again, Yan Zhenluo called out, "Pavilion Master."

"Hm?"

"Look." Yan Zhenluo pointed at the seedling of the Great Void Seed in the center.

When Lu Zhou turned around, he saw the Great Void Seed seemed to be glowing a little brighter than before. Apart from that, the speed of the flowing energy seemed to have slowed down slightly.

In other words, if Lu Zhou continued taking the soil away, he would eventually destroy the Great Void Seed.

'Forget it.' Lu Zhou straightened his back.

At the same time, Mingshi Yin no longer glowed with a blue light. It seemed as though the fusion was completed.

The surrounding energy returned to its original position, flashing intermittently like before, looking like stars in the universe.

"How do you feel?" Lu Zhou asked.

Mingshi Yin's expression was solemn as he inhaled deeply. After exhaling, he said, "I... I've never felt this way before..."

"Cultivate diligently when we return," Lu Zhou said.

"Yes, master."

Lu Zhou did not press for details about how Mingshi Yin felt. This was not the right time. Doing so would only expose Mingshi Yin's potential.

Lu Zhou walked out of the blue sphere with his hands on his back as Mingshi Yin followed behind him.

As soon as the duo stepped out, the blue sphere closed again. It was smooth and without ripples.

Lu Zhou threw one of the blue crystals to Lu Li and said, "This can help you break the limit."

Lu Li instinctively caught it in his hand before he asked excitedly, "You're giving it to me?"

Lu Zhou said, "With your abilities, it'd be a pity for you to be stuck at having only five Birth Charts."

Lu Li fell to his knees immediately. "Thank you, Pavilion Master!"

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"Rise to your feet." Lu Zhou said before he raised his head to look up. Although he had night vision, the range of his vision was limited so he could not see anything. There was a niggling feeling that there was something strange about the Pillar of Destruction, but he could not figure out what it was.

"It's not good to stay here for too long," Lu Zhou finally said before he walked out.

Everyone, except Zhao Yu, turned around to leave.

Zhao Yu looked at the Great Void Seed with eyes brimming with reluctance. He was truly reluctant to leave.

At this time, Mingshi Yin looked back and asked, "Don't tell me you want to steal it?"

Zhao Yu turned around and smiled sheepishly. Then, he spread his arms and said with a helpless expression, "I really want to, but the problem is I don't have the ability to do so."

How could Zhao Yu or his heavily-injured men enter the blue sphere when even Yu Zhenghai and Yu Shangrong failed to do so?

Mingshi Yin took another look at the Great Void Seed. A question appeared in his mind: did this exist from the time the world was created or was it man-made? If it existed since the beginning of time, where did the other Great Void Seeds go? The entire thing was too fantastical. If it were man-made, who had the capability to create the ten Pillars of Destruction and what was the person's objective?

"Brother?" Zhao Yu called out as he waved his hand in front of Mingshi Yin.

Mingshi Yin smacked his forehead. Such questions should be left to his Seventh Junior Brother. He was not good at ruminating over these kinds of questions so it was best not to trouble himself.

"Don't come so close to me," Mingshi Yin said to Zhao Yu before he finally left.

Zhao Yu hurried after him and asked, "Brother, can I ask you a question? Why are you so hostile toward me? We've never met before, and I don't think I've offended you after we met."

"I just dislike you," Mingshi Yin replied.

"That's it?"

"That's it."

"Why? How am I an eyesore to you? Tell me, and I'll change."

"..."

After everyone walked out of the Pillar of Destruction, they looked at the sky hidden by dark clouds.

The Pillar of Destruction stood as tall and majestically as before.

Lu Wu had been waiting outside. When it saw the blue crystals in Lu Zhou's hand, it asked, "Did you get the treasure?"

"Do you have any questions?" Lu Zhou asked as he placed his hands on his back.

"No," Lu Wu replied.

At this moment, Lu Zhou said, "The Great Void Seed is still young and isn't worth harvesting. Who knows when it matures 30,000 years later, the fated person will obtain it..."

"The Pavilion Master is wise."

Everyone nodded.

"There is no right or wrong." Lu Wu proudly raised its head and said in a low voice, "When rats eat human food, humans abhor them and stomp them to death. When humans steal honey from the bees, they praise the bees for being hardworking. Right and wrong have always been established by those in power."

" ..."

Everyone looked at Lu Wu with complex expressions. How could a fierce beast have such profound feelings and thoughts?

After Lu Wu finished speaking, it turned around and adjusted its position. "I'll bring all of you away and find a quiet place. Earlier, the Pillar of Destructions shook. If the people from the Great Void come, none of us will be able to leave this place."

Everyone rushed toward Lu Wu's back.

On the other hand, upon hearing Lu Wu's words, a shocking thought appeared in Lu Zhou's mind: he wanted to meet the people from the Great Void. However, after a moment, he recalled he was not strong enough yet, and he did not have many trump cards so he dismissed the thought.

With that, Lu Wu carried everyone and flew east.

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A few hours after the people of the Evil Sky Pavilion left.

Two figures emerged from the black fog in the west, flying at top speed. In just a blink of an eye, they landed by the Pillar of Destruction.

The duo exchanged a look before they searched their surroundings; one on the left and the other on the right.

After fifteen minutes, the duo met up.

"We're too late."

"There are traces of the battle between Venerable Masters. I can sense their energies and the power of the Dao."

"Tian Wu and Lord Zhennan are dead."

"All the treasures nearby have been looted."

"Humans are as greedy as ever."

The duo shook their heads. They flashed again and appeared in the Pillar of Destruction. They looked at the blue sphere and sensed the changes in the air before they turned to look at the Great Void Seed.

"Why is there an energy resonance when it has yet to mature?"

"There are no signs of tampering or damage either. Everything is as it should be."

The duo carefully studied their surroundings.

At this time, one of them took off his white hood and mask before he closed his eyes and inhaled deeply. After a moment, he opened his eyes and said, "There were many people here. I can smell their auras, and some of them are chaotic. How strange..."

He moved forward as he sniffed. When he arrived before the blue sphere...

Buzz!

The blue sphere repelled him. He shook his head, puzzled. "I can't figure it out..."

"These people were able to kill Lord Zhennan and Tian Wu so their cultivation bases must be profound. The imbalance has grown worse... Something must have happened to the green lotus domain's Venerable Masters..."

"We need to be sure before we report back to the temple."

"The higher-ups have ordered that no one is to interfere with the imbalance. We're only here to check on the Pillar of Destruction and the Great Void Seed. The seed is intact. I'm afraid the higher-ups won't interfere."

The duo stood with their hands on their backs as they looked at the Great Void Seed that glowed with a blue light. Their eyes flashed briefly.

"Let's go."

With a flash, the duo seemed to disappear into thin air.

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Meanwhile, Lu Wu led the group to a quiet place.

There were not many fierce beasts around due to the imbalance.

Lu Wu had used up a lot of its energy during the battle so it quickly found a place before it lay down to recuperate.

Similar to before, Lu Zhou found a place before he brought the Pillar of Impermanence out.

Soon after, Zhao Yu bade farewell to them to return to the green lotus domain.

Lu Zhou and the others watched him leave.

"Master, he's so suspicious. Why don't we capture him and torture him for information?" Mingshi Yin asked.

"Do you hate him very much?"

"I hate a lot of people, and he's one of them," Mingshi Yin replied honestly.

"He's not a malicious person. Perhaps, there's use for him in the future," Lu Zhou said. Following that, he looked at everyone and said, "Go and rest or cultivate. I'll increase the speed of the pillar like before."

"Understood."

Everyone bowed before they left.

After everyone left, Lu Zhou brought out the Divine Soul Pearl. This was the greatest gain from the battle.

The Divine Soul Pearl was equivalent to a Great Birth Chart. Moreover, he would be able to directly pass the second Birth Trial. To a cultivator, this was a peerless treasure.

To Lu Zhou who had activated 11 Birth Charts, the Divine Soul Pearl was even more valuable to him.

Lu Zhou was not in a hurry to use the Divine Soul Pearl. Instead, he activated the Purple Glaze Ceramic and utilized the effect of the Pillar of Impermanence to recover his divine power.

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Half a day later.

After Lu Zhou recovered some of his divine power, he made sure his condition was stable before he finally manifested his Birth Palace.

The Birth Charts' locations, their names, and uses appeared in his mind.

The Divine Soul Pearl was like a fusion of all Birth Charts. Hence, it was suitable for most locations. However, to avoid future difficulties, Lu Zhou chose a remote location on the Birth Palace: the Pearl Goes Out to Sea.

Then, he placed the Divine Soul Pearl in the location he had chosen.

Click!

A crisp sound rang out as the Divine Soul Pearl smoothly sank into the Birth Palace..