

Emperor 3111

[Chapter 3111: Bigger Fist](#)

Creek King, the army of Immortal Bronze, and Luminous Master's dao protector Zhe Long were present. Li Qiye still told all of them to scram. This was the same as telling Luminous Master to scram as well.

Who else in Immortal Lineage would dare to do so right now? No one with the exception of Fiercest.

At first, many thought that they have misheard but this was certainly not the case. Those around him had the same shocked reaction.

"This is too much, right?" One person regained his wits and said.

Creek King wasn't at the progenitorial level but a Fardao Everlasting like Zhe Long shouldn't be weaker than Luminous Master or Orchid Sage.

In the crowd's opinion, someone like Zhe Long should be in the top five in Immortal Lineage, perhaps the top three.

Thus, most considered Li Qiye to be overly arrogant and domineering right now. After all, he was showing zero respect to two of his peers in public.

"Fiercest doesn't understand modesty." A few experts became dissatisfied.

"Modesty? The guy has zero ideas about politeness." A big shot shook his head: "Have you ever seen him treat anyone as anything but ants? Emperors, Everlasings, now a Fardao too."

"I've seen plenty of egotistical people that consider everyone else beneath them, just not to the level of Fiercest." A sect master let out a forced smile.

Of course, no one would dare to loudly criticize him since he was too strong. This level of rampant arrogance was tolerable.

"Luminous Master and Zhe Long should be unbeatable together, they can take down all of Three Immortals. Does Fiercest really think he can fight them alone?" An ancestor analyzed.

"Creek King is too nice, I would have been furious." Another said with indignation.

Meanwhile, Creek King was pondering in her carriage. It took her a while before answering: "Young Noble Li, the profundity here is virtually boundless, why not share it?"

Creek King clearly gave a concession, wanting to share the continent with Li Qiye.

Some found this surprising but the ancestors understood the reason why. A progenitorial battle was too unsafe. She didn't want to underestimate him due to the potential risks.

"Share? Why should I when I have the bigger fist?" Li Qiye smiled in response.

Everyone felt as if he had just punched them despite the casualness of the remark. It was barbaric and overbearing but sure enough, this was an unchanging creed in the world of cultivation.

Might makes right! Reason stands with whoever has the bigger fist!

Wasn't this the same case for Creek King's group earlier? They took over the continent and chased off everyone else.

Li Qiye simply did the same again. Of course, he was far more blatant while they tried to be relatively polite.

"There's no trying to understand Fiercest." One Everlasting shook his head.

No one refuted the truth behind his comment but in history, those in charge would never directly state this.

He could have refined his statement and added some fake righteousness to it like other people. However, he chose to be blunt.

If another had said the same line to Creek King, the crowd would laugh at him for overestimating himself. As for Fiercest, a few thought that he was being too overbearing but none dared to laugh. He really had the power to fight Luminous Master or anyone else for that matter.

"Young Noble Li, this place has special significance to my husband and Immortal Bronze Cauldron. If you are willing to work with us, anything is negotiable." She eventually said, trying to negotiate in good faith.

"There's nothing to negotiate." Li Qiye shook his head, clearly not interested.

"Young Noble Li, we don't want much, only one thing in there, that's all. We're also willing to trade anything for it." She didn't give up.

The crowd thought that she was being very generous to state these unfavorable conditions. Remember, they were here first.

"You can't give me what I want." Li Qiye refused with haste.

She fell into silence.

"Fiercest is pushing them too far." One spectator said.

"I don't see you standing up for anyone else when Immortal Bronze Cauldron chased them away from the continent." An older expert gave the guy the side-eye.

This spectator turned red and couldn't muster up a response.

The young ones didn't like Li Qiye's aggressive style but the older ancestors thought that this was karma.

They kept these conversations as quiet and private as possible. No one really wanted to invite the wrath from either side.

"Young Noble Li, we have no choice but to resort to tough measures?" Creek King said. Wanting to negotiate and making concessions didn't mean that she was afraid of him.

"Nothing's tough about this, you're thinking too highly of yourself. This will be nothing more than throwing an egg at a rock. Though I have a good impression of you, I will still kill you if you continue to stand in my way." Li Qiye chuckled and said.

The negotiation seemed to be failing so the crowd braced themselves for a potential storm.

“Fellow Daoist, your demand is imperious, to say the least.” An old voice finally came from the depth of the continent.

It was as if it came from the firmaments above. Though people couldn’t see the person, they still couldn’t help feeling reverence towards the guy.

“Zhe Long!” They all knew who it was. A Fardao Everlasting was worthy of respect regardless of the era. The True Gods, in particular, respected him even more.

His power was definitely unquestionable so all eyes were on Li Qiye. Could a fight break out between these two first before Luminous Master gets here?

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“If you don’t like what I’m doing, come and seek death. I don’t mind another massacre.” Li Qiye smiled at Zhe Long.

The air suddenly became tense after this statement. People exchanged glances, not knowing what to say.

Fiercest always conducted himself in a straightforward and aggressive manner as if he didn’t have a single bone of tactfulness and cordiality in him.

“Can’t Fiercest be a little more likable? Being polite allows for more options. Now, everyone feels as if they’re forced to save face and have to do this the hard way.” An expert said.

Everyone has skin and face, especially the top masters who especially cared about the latter. In fact, some wouldn’t mind dying just to save some face.

Thus, what Li Qiye had essentially done was rendering it impossible for the other side to back off and breaking all pretense of civility.

For example, both True Emperor Bachi and Creek King spoke with grace and propriety after carefully choosing their words. On the other hand, Li Qiye was overly blunt, to say the least, easily offending others.

“This fella, did he come from the wild with no sect to teach him...?” One sect master smiled wryly.

“Idiot.” An ancestor disagreed: “It’s because he doesn’t bother with trite formality. Do you ever show respect to an ant?”

“But he’s talking to Zhe Long and facing Luminous Master.” Another expert said.

“Well, Fiercest has never given a damn about anyone since his debut, not a single person.” The ancestor stared at Li Qiye with a profound gaze.

The crowd thought about it and this was indeed the case. He has always been domineering and haughty ever since his first appearance.

“The succeeding waves will overwhelm the first.” Zhe Long said sentimentally: “Our bones are old now, no longer as fierce as before.”

He paused for a bit and continued: "However, I'm still ready for a fight if you insist on provoking us, Fellow Daoist."

The politeness remained but one could see a hint of aggressiveness. It felt as if one could see Zhe Long in his prime once more.

"A fight it is then." Li Qiye smiled.

This had confirmed a battle for the crowd. They didn't expect for Li Qiye to fight Zhe Long first before Luminous Master.

As a Fardao Everlasting, Zhe Long might actually be stronger than Luminous Master.

"This place is special to me." Zhe Long said: "Thus, we won't hesitate from using any means necessary in this battle, please excuse us, Fellow Daoist."

"Nothing's wrong with that, if I were to lose, it means that I'm not skillful enough. Go ahead and use everything in your arsenal before it's too late." Li Qiye didn't mind at all.

"I see, I see. I haven't seen this level of confidence in a long time! Good!" Zhe Long laughed in response.

His laughter made the stars above tremble; the sun and moon became afraid and dimmed down. Everyone else turned pale as a result.

Everyone could tell the fury contained in this laughter and sympathized with Zhe Long.

As such an important character, the world always treated him with respect. But now, Li Qiye didn't think much of him. In fact, Zhe Long was doing a great job at keeping calm.

"I will also overestimate myself and join in, please excuse me, Young Noble Li." Creek King spoke.

"That's fine, I already said that I would sweep through this place if you all don't leave. I don't mind how many of you come together." Li Qiye smiled.

"Thank you, Young Noble." Creek King remained polite to her opponent.

Zhe Long didn't say anything either, clearly giving tacit approval.

Many took a deep breath. This meant that Zhe Long, Creek King, and the rest of Immortal Bronze Mountain had no plan of fighting Li Qiye in a one-on-one situation.

At the progenitorial level, they normally enjoyed fighting on an even footing instead of getting help.

Plus, weaker cultivators wouldn't be able to do anything. They would only be in the way at best.

That's why it was surprising for Zhe Long to accept help from Creek King. She was definitely strong, but that's relative to the other experts in the world. She certainly wasn't at the progenitorial level like Zhe Long. Even if she went all out, she wouldn't be able to help Zhe Long at all.

"The two of you sound quite confident right now. I'm sure an intelligent woman like you will not do something foolish." Li Qiye became amused.

“Your vision is far superior compared to us. I only have a little technique, nothing that impressive.” She said.

It was difficult to dislike Creek King. Just listening to her talk was an enjoyable matter.

“My progenitor was trapped in a forbidden ground and eventually comprehended something new with the help of Jiao Heng. This dao is different from his original so he didn’t cultivate it, same with his descendants. I, on the other hand, have tried to learn it despite being so incapable...”

This was the first time anyone had heard of this particular story. The common tale told that Jiao Heng sold White Ash Progenitor to a devil. This didn’t seem to match her story.

Or did Jiao Heng help the progenitor after selling him off? Or maybe it was part of their ruse to trick this so-called devil?

The intricacies of this story remained a mystery to everyone. However, it was certainly more complex than it seemed.

“So I’ll be used as a touchstone.” Li Qiye smiled.

“Of course not, I’m simply overestimating myself.” She said humbly.

“Very well.” Li Qiye didn’t mind at all: “I want to see what Jiao Heng and your progenitor have created. After all, he is the heaven’s favorite, far above all other geniuses in the world.”

The crowd didn’t expect to hear such praises from Li Qiye. He seemed to hold Jiao Heng in high esteem.

Jiao Heng has been gone for a long time now but Fiercest still liked the guy so much? This felt quite strange to the listeners.

“Isn’t Jiao Heng that one dishonest merchant?” One of them didn’t agree with Li Qiye’s assessment.

The merchant that created the monstrous Arrogance Enterprise had a bad reputation. Back during his era, many dao systems suffered from his ploys. That’s why everyone in the contemporary world didn’t hold a good opinion of him and found Li Qiye’s praise confusing.

“I’ll be starting.” Creek King interrupted their train of thoughts.

This made everyone watch with full attention, waiting to see her ultimate move.

Her strength was at the level where someone like Metalkin War God would think twice before provoking her. It had nothing to do with her being Luminous Master’s wife.

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“I’m starting!” Zhe Long’s ancient voice pierced through the myriad realms as the first to initiate the battle.

Just his voice alone was enough to deter anyone. They knew that he was serious and treated Li Qiye as a mighty foe.

“Poof!” A heatwave emerged along with a three-legged golden crow before anyone could react.

It looked magnificent, seemingly cast from gold from top to bottom. It was resplendent just like the sun itself. Its flashing legs could crush the ground with one stomp.

“Poof!” It spread its wings and added more flames to the sky.

“Zzz...” The forests on the continent immediately turned to ashes; the water in the rivers evaporated.

“This is Zhe Long’s avatar, I believe he has seven before showing his true form.” One ancestor became startled.

His avatars have threatened the ages because they consisted of the strongest divine beasts. Thus, he normally didn’t need to do anything; just his avatars were enough to take down the mightiest foes.

He didn’t start with his true form because he wished to gauge Li Qiye’s true strength. He chose to be cautious because one mistake could end with death against someone so strong.

“Screech!” The bird opened its mouth and spewed out endless sunfire towards Li Qiye.

This refined sunfire was immensely terrifying. Smoke started appearing everywhere since the ground was melting.

However, Li Qiye had a faint glow around him, rendering him invulnerable to the fire. He stood there nonchalantly and the waves of flame couldn’t break his light, let alone touch him.

“Boom!” The bird became furious. Its light erupted to the point where no one could open their eyes, not even with their heavenly gaze.

Its wings became massive enough to blot out the nine firmaments. Numerous suns began to float behind the bird - a total of ten.

“Zzz...” The continent started burning and drying up even before the suns sent down their flames. All the trees couldn’t survive.

“Boom!” The gathering of the fire finally erupted. Flames poured down and drowned out this area. No existences were lucky enough to survive if caught.

The spectators shuddered at this sight since just one drop of flame would be enough to kill them.

The ground finally melted in full, turning into gushing lava. The place became hellish as a result.

“Such a monstrous flame.” Numerous big shots became afraid.

Li Qiye reacted by opening his mouth and actually devouring the incoming fiery tsunami.

The crow was obviously infuriated by Li Qiye’s attempt. It sent out more and more, doubting his ability to absorb so much refined sunfire.

“Rumble!” Unfortunately, his mouth seemed to be a bottomless abyss. This didn’t seem to be enough to fill him up.

“This is possible?” Jaws dropped to the ground after seeing this.

This sunfire could incinerate the firmament yet Li Qiye treated it as a delicacy.

The two sides went at it for a long while - the crow exuding boundless flame while Li Qiye didn't waste a single spark.

"If this continues, it would have released enough fire to drown all of Immortal Lineage." A spectator eventually said.

The golden crow found it hard to keep this going, running out of refined sunfire.

"My turn." Li Qiye took note of this and said. His mouth became blinding as if a thousand suns were about to come out.

"Boom!" He shot out a solar pulse. All other lights felt like darkness in comparison. The only light left in the world right now was this pulsing ray.

The crow immediately shifted its wings to the front in order to stop the pulse while erecting a barrier of fire as well.

"Boom!" These two defensive lines were useless before the pulse. It instantly penetrated the defense and the bird's body.

"Ooo!" The massive bird instantly turned to ashes from the heat, scattering to the wind.

The pulse coming from Li Qiye's mouth slowly disintegrated after a successful take-down.

The crowd couldn't believe it and fell into a stupor. They knew that a three-legged golden crow was a sun god. Its refined sunfire was beyond imagination.

This divine beast had reached the limit of the fire dao but now, it was destroyed by its own flame. This was akin to a fire god dying to fire - utterly unbelievable.

Alas, they all saw it with their own eyes. Li Qiye took down the bird by just opening his mouth, nothing more.

A few Everlastings became afraid. They wouldn't be able to stop that crow avatar just now. That thing was enough to destroy their systems. This only made Li Qiye look even more frightening.

"Incredible, the future generation will surpass us. There's no need to worry about being defeated with a grand dao like that." Zhe Long himself sighed and said.

"You're getting old." Li Qiye smiled.

"Indeed, but I'm not afraid just yet. Let's go again!" Zhe Long laughed in response.

[Chapter 3114: Crystal Qilin](#)

Meanwhile, Creek King remained inactive as if she didn't see the fight at all. Perhaps she was biding her time until the best possible opportunity to deliver a fatal blow.

This wouldn't be considered an ambush either because she had already expressed her intention prior instead of attacking from the shadows.

At the same time, Li Qiye seemed to be in no hurry to attack her. Sooner or later, the result would still be the same in his eyes.

The crowd was still shaken to see him destroying the three-legged golden crow so easily. His power continued to surpass expectations.

Of course, Zhe Long wasn't going all out either since he didn't resort to his true form. Nonetheless, something told them that Zhe Long was a heavy underdog.

This intuition was hard to believe because Zhe Long was a famous Fardao Everlasting. On the other hand, Li Qiye was a late newcomer. He shouldn't have an advantage in any category.

"Fellow Daoist, for this next round, any wound will potentially become fatal. Be careful now." Zhe Long spoke, wielding the proper manner of a dignified senior.

"I'm eagerly waiting." Li Qiye smiled.

"Boom!" Another divine beast arrived and made the ground tremble, seemingly unable to withstand its weight.

This was a qilin standing not far away from Li Qiye. It emitted a sparkling radiance, seemingly made from a perfectly polished crystal. Its radiance looked like particles flying around the sky, seemingly a manifestation of time.

"Strange, looks like the flow of time." One ancestor murmured while looking at the crystal qilin.

Everyone else took a closer look and came to the same conclusion.

They found that the light and the particles were flowing towards one particular direction. This might be the flow of time turning into various streams and strands inside the qilin's body.

When it took one step forward, the ground immediately suffered extreme weathering akin to the passing of millions of years.

"Yes, this is the temporal affinity." The ancestor shuddered.

In the next moment, the qilin moved its other foot forward and touched the ground. The seeds buried deep below suddenly bloomed with an unbelievable speed. A lush lotus grew and raised the qilin into the air. It should have required thousands of years to bloom to this level.

"One death, one life?" Many experts exchanged glances.

Each foot of the qilin seemed to represent two completely different powers - life and death.

"No, it's still just one." An Everlasting disagreed and revealed: "It's the power of time from this avatar of Zhe Long named crystal qilin. It's not the best but definitely among the top three."

Many shuddered and held their breath after hearing this, eagerly awaiting the power of this top avatar from Zhe Long.

The crystal qilin slowly walked towards Li Qiye, creating a duality of life and death in its wake. Flowers and foliage blossomed in one go then withered the next second - quite a magical scene.

"It's beautiful beyond words. This is time." Li Qiye praised while looking at the qilin.

“Yes, nothing else is more beautiful than time or makes people long for it more.” Zhe Long sentimentally said.

The young ones didn’t think about time as much. Only the existences that have lived for years like Zhe Long understood the preciousness of time.

“This is not time control yet but you are not letting down the title of Fardao to be able to understand its profundity to this level.” Li Qiye nodded approvingly.

“Fellow Daoist, you’re too kind. I’m actually embarrassed that this is all I have learned after five full generations. My foolish aptitude can’t compare to the great sages.” Zhe Long humbly revealed.

The crowd couldn’t believe it. The mighty Zhe Long took five generations but only learned a bit about the temporal affinity? Just how difficult was it then?

Of course, most believed that he was only being humble with his words. How could a Fardao be foolish in any way?

“Let me see your temporal power then.” Li Qiye seemed interested for once.

“Be careful, Fellow Daoist.” Zhe Long spoke seriously because a wound caused by temporal power would be difficult to reverse.

This particular exchange was very important to Zhe Long. If his qilin couldn’t injure Li Qiye, he would need to increase his assessment of the guy’s power even further.

Meanwhile, the crowd could see that Li Qiye appreciated the qilin while Zhe Long respected having such a powerful foe.

The qilin moved forward, looking quite beautiful. In terms of appearance, people felt as if it wouldn’t be that much offensive potential. It looked cute more than anything. Plus, it was walking towards Li Qiye like a docile pet, devoid of any aggression.

Nonetheless, the crowd took it very seriously, especially the mighty Everlastings. The latter had a good understanding of the temporal affinity’s potential. This was one of the most terrible forces in existence, extremely hard to defend against.

The qilin didn’t attack after arriving. It simply circled around him like a cute beast wanting to make him its master.

Appearance can be deceiving. The qilin was actually leaving behind temporal strands with the rotations.

Most importantly, space ceased to exist in the vicinity. This meant that no longer where one tried to run off to, they wouldn’t be able to escape their own timeline - forever trapped by the qilin.

Thus, the only thing around Li Qiye right now was the fabrics of time; the fabrics of space were no longer present.

More and more temporal strands were being piled up in this unique dimension.

“Nothing’s happening to him.” A few disciples murmured.

“Idiot, this is because Li Qiye is too strong. Any of you kids would have been turned to ashes after one rotation. Look at the spatial fabrics.” A senior immediately scolded them.

These disciples took a closer look and sure enough, chaos began to fill the area due to the spatial damage.

The qilin wasn't disrupting space but simply withering it. The area experienced millions of years and became aged. Space started flowing away.

“Time can wither down anything.” One expert trembled after seeing the spatial degradation.

The temporal affinity - perhaps this force was strong enough to make even the high heaven older.

[Chapter 3115: Creek King In Action](#)

“Whoa, whoa, whoa...” As the qilin moved faster, so did the temporal flow. Everything around Li Qiye became bright.

More temporal affinities piled around him and he started to change.

His robe began to disintegrate, seemingly from the passage of time. Wrinkles appeared on his face - the regular aging process of a mortal. His body became older as well; his hair grew white. He should be around seventy to eighty-year-old now in mortal age.

The crowd took a deep breath. They all knew that Li Qiye had the power of a progenitor.

Most importantly, he was extremely young and full of vitality. His lifespan should be evaluated at around several hundred thousand years; his vitality as vast as an ocean.

It wasn't easy for someone like him to grow old. Moreover, due to his cultivation level, his physical constitution was insane. Not even a progenitorial weapon might be able to hurt him.

Thus, this aging phenomenon meant that he was losing considerable vitality, the same with his lifespan.

“So this is the power of time.” One Everlasting shuddered.

If old men like them were in his shoes, they would be nothing more than bones right now. First, they weren't as strong as Li Qiye. Second, they didn't have the same vitality stemming from youthfulness.

This was an invisible way to kill, no need for techniques and merit laws.

“A Fardao can do something like this.” The Everlastings realized the gap between them and the Fardao realm.

Just Zhe Long's avatar alone could easily annihilate them.

“A little worth seeing indeed, time is one of my favorite domains.” The old Li Qiye smiled, seemingly in no hurry.

“Buzz.” He posed with both hands behind his back before activating something.

A light instantly engulfed him while issuing loud rumbles. A sea of blood was churning deep inside his body and releasing vitality strands, adding vitality to every inch of him.

People could feel this life force, akin to standing in a primal forest filled with life. He had enough vitality to support the lifeforms on three thousand worlds at this moment.

“Buzz.” He turned young again; hair becoming black and skin becoming smooth once more.

He used a mighty life force to overcome the withering of time just now.

“That’s a progenitor for you, anyone else would be dead.” All were impressed with this show.

Injuries caused by time were extremely hard to reverse. Only a progenitor like Li Qiye could do so.

Meanwhile, the qilin has been rotating the entire time. It became a maelstrom made of crystal, fully trapping him.

“Zzz...” The influx of temporal power was weakening and aging Li Qiye’s radiance. Nonetheless, the latter remained effective as a shield.

In the next second, the time strands accumulated around him started surging like a river.

Remember, the qilin has done numerous circles around him, resulting in a timeline spanning for millions of years. It finally let this timeline go free.

The result was obviously terrifying. This meant that someone with the longest lifespan and most majestic vitality still wouldn’t be able to handle the millions of years passing by.

“Pop!” The radiance around him instantly crumbled and time assaulted him, causing his back to bend. He reverted back to the appearance of an old mortal.

“Damn!” Numerous masters felt their legs trembling.

Being bathed by that timeline would instantly turn them to dust. Their dao systems would separate and eventually collapse. Not a single soul could survive for this long. Even the mountains and oceans would change.

“Rumble!” However, boundless life continued to rush out from deep inside him. His vitality billowed like an ocean of blood and changed him back to his young self.

It became a competition between two affinities - life and time.

The spectators gasped while imagining the power necessary to gestate so much life force. This rendered Li Qiye virtually unkillable.

He could stand still and let them assault him nonstop. A million slashes probably weren’t enough to take him down.

He seemed like the legendary laurel tree - eternal and impossible to take down. One could try for ten thousand years and still fail to chop it down. It would just grow back again.

Suddenly, a flute could be heard from inside Creek King’s carriage. She finally decided to join the battle.

“Wuu-” The first sound made numerous spectators in the distance fall down, deep asleep. The fallen ones included a few Everlastings.

“Leave!” The powerful Everlastings instantly retreated with insane speed back to Sky Pass after this first note.

It didn’t take long before virtually all spectators were unconscious on the ground. Some Everlastings and emperors couldn’t handle it.

Those who were far enough away or fast enough to escape felt a chill coursing down their spine after seeing this.

[Chapter 3116: Gentle Home](#)

The flute rendered all opposition meaningless, causing them to sleep on the ground. Fully covering one’s ears was useless. Even a deaf person was no exception.

The sound of this flute wasn’t actually an audible one. It aimed directly at the brain and soul. Thus, even a deaf person could “hear” it and be affected.

Upon hearing this sound in their mind, their heart would soften as if something was rekindling their most beautiful memory.

They could have a heart as cold as stone surrounded by numerous layers of emotionlessness; they could have buried all of their memories, never letting them see the sun again. However, the flute sound bypassed all of this.

A heinous devil and brutal butcher would still have a special memory or a moment of weakness. Such memories were precious and worthy of remembrance.

It could be their life’s greatest or most beautiful moment, rendering them unable to let go of this comforting and warm feeling. They would rather be forever lost in this moment instead of waking up.

The flute allowed them to live in this moment - the apex of their life. That’s why thousands of people fell into a deep slumber after hearing one sound.

“What type of dao is this...?” Meanwhile, even back in Sky Pass, some were still affected by this faint nose, nearly dropping on the ground.

They knew that this flute harbored zero evil affinity. This wasn’t a heretical dao but rather, as righteous and orthodox as can be.

“The unknown dao created by White Ash Progenitor with the help of Jiao Heng.” People recalled her statement earlier.

This dao created by the duo has never been cultivated successfully in Purification Creek until now. Just one flute from this terrifying grand dao was enough to subdue her opponents.

However, this was its first appearance in the world so no one knew its name.

“Gentle Home, this dao’s name is Gentle Home.” An old ancestor had deep ties with Purification Creek and knew the name of this dao.

“Gentle Home?” Many murmured this name, thinking that it was quite fitting for the effect of this dao.

Creek King's actual dao wasn't aimed at the spectators. However, the majority still faltered.

Her main target naturally suffered the brunt of it - Li Qiye's figure was shaking back and forth, seemingly unable to stand straight.

"Look, he's listening to the flute." A big shot became startled. Li Qiye seemed drunk right now, slowly becoming intoxicated with gentle tunes.

"Maybe he can't withstand it." Another said after seeing the progenitor tumbling back and forth.

"Even progenitors can't handle this musical attack?" An ancestor took a deep breath and wondered.

An old Everlasting put on a serious expression and said: "All living beings have a moment that they cherish, no exception, not even someone as powerful as Fiercest. It's about whether he is willing to recall it or not."

People exchanged glances then stared at Fiercest. He was clearly willing to recall this memory. They began to ponder the implications of being so powerful.

The top experts have experienced plenty of things and should have a higher standard for what can be construed as their best memories.

An invincible being wasn't devoid of emotions, contrary to the popular phrase. It's just that at their height, the world seemed crueler and they shouldered greater responsibilities. Thus, those good memories during the early days weren't coming back.

Thus, it seemed obvious that he was amidst remembrance due to his instability.

"Beautiful, really beautiful." He sighed and enjoyed the flute like a drunkard, on the verge of falling down at any moment.

Everyone's heart skipped a beat as he closed his eyes in enjoyment. He seemed to be like the others, falling into a dream state.

"He's falling down!" Someone shouted, thinking that no one in the world could resist this flute.

"Boom!" The earth quaked and the sky turned dark with the appearance of another gigantic beast.

Everyone saw a creature with one leg blotting out the sun. It had enough presence to shoulder the firmaments.

"Boom! Boom!" Lightning currents flowed on its body.

"A kui!" An ancestor shouted in astonishment.

"This avatar might be stronger than the crystal qilin, one of the strongest." An Everlasting revealed.

The kui wasted no time in sending terrifying lightning bolts, enough to drown Li Qiye. They turned into chains and fully immobilized him.

"Clank!" It gathered more energy to create a lightning spear capable of piercing all beings.

"Boom!" The spear swung him up high before pinning him onto the ground.

“Damn!” Many shouted after seeing this.

However, the kui moved with a speed too fast for anyone to react. It slammed its foot down on him with ample force to crush any emperor or Everlasting. They would never be able to get up again.

“Boom!” The ground sank down as a result and Li Qiye disappeared into the massive crater.

The world became quiet; the spectators speechless.

The flute stopped as a result but its victims still remained unconscious.

The question became whether Fiercest was alive or not beneath the Kui.

Creek King didn't say anything either and patiently waited. This was also the case for Zhe Long. He showed no sign of complacency or arrogance after taking Li Qiye down.

[Chapter 3117: I Only Want To Remember](#)

The kui's foot could imprison the gods and devils for an eternity. However, even an unbeatable progenitor like Li Qiye too?

The spectators shuddered for two reasons - Zhe Long's power and the more important reason - Creek King's terrifying abilities.

Her “Gentle Home” was simply too effective with no need for fighting or techniques. It was beautiful, too beautiful. People couldn't help but fall into the trap. Those on the ground were still sleeping right now.

They could also see that Zhe Long's kui avatar alone wasn't enough. It might be able to injure him but completely suppressing him was a different story.

The real ace card here was still the flute from Creek King. Zhe Long took advantage of this to deliver a potentially fatal blow.

“Is he dead?” No one could see through the crater beneath.

This wouldn't even be a question if it was anyone else but Fiercest deserved the benefit of the doubt. Most believed he wouldn't die so easily.

“He has to be.” One expert found it illogical for anyone to survive that: “He was lost in a dream and couldn't resist. Struck by the lightning spear first then stomped into the ground into a meat paste.”

This was logical as well. It wouldn't make sense for someone to survive the combination attacks, progenitor or otherwise.

“Creek King's dao is so scary.” The spectators maintained a far distance since thousands of people were still sleeping. Among them were sect masters, kings, ancestors, and even a few Everlastings.

Many stared at the carriage with respect in their eyes. They thought that she was the perfect match for Creek King.

“Rumble!” The ground started shaking violently with increasing intensity.

The kui's foot started moving as if something beneath was resisting it.

"Fiercest is still alive!" A spectator shouted right away.

"Boom! Boom!" The kui channeled all of the lightning flowing on its body downward like a waterfall, fully activating its power.

"Bam!" The foot pressed down again, increasing the size of the crater.

This sudden eruption of force still didn't amount to anything. Cracks appeared along with loud detonations on the ground. The area was on the verge of collapsing, then the entire continent.

The kui eventually got lifted off the ground by an unimaginable force.

"See, he's still alive, I told you!" One expert shouted.

Countless spectators took a deep breath after this sight.

"How is he still alive? Is he indestructible?" Another murmured with fear.

The kui got lifted high enough to reveal the crater beneath. Boulders were falling down as more cracks appeared.

Everyone saw lightning currents flowing around a tiny figure beneath.

"That's him." They finally got a clear look at this figure.

Fiercest was still surrounded by lightning chains that wanted to devour him. However, he didn't give a damn, not even about the lightning spear piercing through his body.

Moreover, he seemed to still be in deep slumber with his eyes closed. He simply used one hand to lift the kui while floating upward.

The kui was mustering all of its might but couldn't push down at all. He had no difficulty raising the divine creature as if it was as light as a feather.

The sudden reversal naturally shocked the crowd.

"He's not human." One spectator got chills all over.

The others felt fear, speechless. Li Qiye's power had surpassed their highest expectations.

"What a beautiful feeling." His voice contained satisfaction, akin to someone waking up from a wondrous dream.

He slowly opened his eyes, looking quite pleased and not minding the kui above him.

"I haven't had such a good sleep in a long time and the dream is truly worth remembering. Thank you." Li Qiye glanced over at the carriage.

Creek King paused for a bit before finding her words: "It has nothing to do with me since you already had the beautiful experiences but chose to bury them deep in your memory. I simply dragged some of it out. If you didn't wish to remember, my tune wouldn't have done anything."

She knew that Li Qiye didn't lose to her dao but he purposely chose to fall under its effect.

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"The past wafts away like mist." Li Qiye sighed and continued: "I don't remember many things and try not to remember others."

"You need warmth while embarking on the wintry dao." Creek King said: "The higher, the colder, you need to turn around in order to remember the important things."

"True. But that's all they are, just the past. Now is the time to fight." Li Qiye smiled.

"Boom!" All the lightning chains around him immediately crumbled. He reached up and grabbed the kui's massive leg.

"Ooo!" The kui tried to get out but struggling was useless, unable to break free from his firm grip.

"Rumble!" Li Qiye slammed the kui on the ground repeatedly before the awed spectators.

The mountains nearby got smashed to pieces by this continuous violent storm. The kui became bloodied, groaning quietly and was on the verge of death.

This divine beast had no chance of stopping him, looking just like a fish on the chopping board.

"Crack!" He then tore the kui's leg off, causing blood to gush out. This scene of carnage naturally frightened the spectators. Those unused to it started vomiting.

"Here's a present in return." He threw the leg at Creek King while smiling.

"Boom!" The lightning bolts around him suddenly became far brighter.

A while ago, these lightning bolts drowned Li Qiye but now, they were far stronger and gathered into a pulsing ray that shot towards Creek King with overwhelming might.

"Rumble!" This tsunami of lightning could destroy everything. Numerous mountains in its path became dust.

"Crack!" The destructive force actually destroyed the carriage even before the ray itself.

Remember, this carriage belonged to Luminous Master and had an insane defense. However, the lightning pulse was something else and easily dismantled it.

It continued to surround Creek King, seemingly as hungry as a primordial beast.

"It's not looking good for Creek King!" An expert shouted.

Many felt that she might not be able to withstand it regardless of how strong she was. Death seemed to be the most likely outcome.

"Fiercest is just too strong." Someone said. He showed no mercy against a beauty, still as brutal as before.

"Poof!" Golden light descended from above and turned into a curtain blocking in front of Creek King.

This magnificent and beautiful curtain released golden particles. Each seemed to be alive, jumping and playing before taking roots on the ground.

“Boom!” The contact between the light curtain and the lightning pulse resulted in both dispersing away.

However, the golden radiance remained. The world seemed to be livelier with these jumping particles.

A figure appeared and slowly walked out of the radiance as if he came from a higher world.

“Boom!” Everyone felt an explosive dao resonance within them.

“Rumble!” The myriad dao in harmonization was a scene to behold.

A progenitorial aura struck the area like a tsunami, wiping away the dark clouds above along with all darkness.

A youth stood there, not as tall and sturdy as his aura would suggest. However, his shadow stretched for an eternity on the ground, making him look majestic.

The spectators thought that he was as tall as heaven itself. People couldn’t help looking up to see him.

He was the source of the golden particles, the origin of life in this world.

“Luminous Master!” Numerous spectators yelled.

“We finally see him!” The youths couldn’t contain their excitement.

He was a legend in Immortal Lineage. The young generation, in particular, viewed him as their role model; all aspiring to reach his height.

Luminous Master stood there, not trying to exude his aura. However, just one remnant strand could still crush the sky vault.

Many bowed to show their respect, finally able to see their idol in person.

Handsome would be a strong word to describe him. However, his facial lines exuded determination and power. He had a bright glow around him and seemed more charismatic than anyone else.

“Dear, go back first.” His voice was soft and magnetic.

So many women in the audience swooned over his voice. Of course, they knew that only Creek King was worthy of someone like him.

“Be careful, Young Noble Li might be too strong for you..” Creek King nodded before disappearing from sight.

Everyone thought that this was really a pair made in heaven and became envious.

Luminous Master stepped forward; his eyes also contained flowing light of a golden hue.

“Dao Brother Li, I have heard stories of your exploit, it is my pleasure.” He spoke without any animosity.

“I have also heard of you many times.” Li Qiye smiled.

“Brother Orchid said that you are unbeatable. He has nothing but respect for you.” Luminous Master continued with a dignified expression.

“You’re stronger than him but he has boundless potential.” Li Qiye, on the other hand, looked quite leisurely.

“I respect Brother Orchid the most because he lives his life freely yet still possesses such incredible mastery of the dao. His wisdom and intelligence are superior to mine.” Luminous Master praised.

This conversation surprised the crowd. All along, they assumed Orchid Sage and Luminous Master were rivals. Now, they seemed like two friends.

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They also didn’t expect for Luminous Master to admit inferior versus Orchid Sage’s innate talents.

In their mind, Luminous Master was superior, whether it be his cultivation or talents. It didn’t sound like empty words of humility either.

It seemed that they have been underestimating Orchid Sage all this time, at least relative to his peers. This might be a result of him always keeping a low-profile.

“Well, very few people can be called a sage. The world just didn’t know.” An ancestor calmed down and stated. [1]

Many agreed with this statement. A person with this title should have impeccable talents.

Alas, Luminous Master has been far more famous in this generation on top of having stronger cultivation. That’s why many assumed that the master also had better innate talents.

“Dao Brother, you are the strongest person I have seen.” Luminous Master said seriously.

“That’s normal.” Li Qiye smiled with no intention of acting humbly.

“I’m very curious about your origin and have been looking into it to no avail. Truly confusing.” The master asked.

So it turned out that the master had been paying attention to Li Qiye long ago. He even tried to calculate Li Qiye’s origin but came up with no result. This surprised him to no end because he had some attainments on the path of prophecy and calculation.

“I’m just a passerby, nothing to be curious about. That’s all you need to know.” Li Qiye smiled.

“I see.” Luminous Master had this guess already. This finally confirmed it.

The listeners noticed the two of them speaking like old friends without any anger, let alone animosity. This type of polite conversation probably meant that a fight wasn’t going to happen. All previous feuds were going to be erased.

“This is a treasure ground that has deep ties with our Immortal Bronze Mountain.” Luminous Master turned his gaze towards the land.

“More than that, it is a great fortune.” Li Qiye smiled.

Suddenly, the conversation took a turn and everyone felt the atmosphere growing tense. Perhaps a fight would actually break out after all if the negotiation failed.

“A great fortune indeed. Our race can be traced back to the ancient era, we’re probably one of the oldest races in Immortal Lineage.” Luminous Master nodded.

Why did he bring up his race? The crowd wondered about the shift.

They certainly agreed with the content. Immortal Bronze was extremely old and had plenty of tales about it. Some believed that they might be even older than the stonecarvers.

“The wise sages of our race have tried to figure out our origin by traveling across the realms in Immortal Lineage. Alas, not much was found.” Luminous Master continued.

“I know, Immortal Bronze is old indeed and does have some fateful ties with me.” Li Qiye chuckled.

He wasn’t trying to build a connection with Immortal Bronze Mountain but was only stating a fact. Of course, no one else knew the stories behind it.

“I have been paying attention to this continent the moment it came out from Uncrossable Expanse. It might give us an answer regarding our origin.” Luminous Master said.

In the beginning, everyone thought that Luminous Master was trying to refine his own dao system. This didn’t seem to be the case now.

“Perhaps, but not that likely. There is one item here that can help you break the bottleneck though to become an immortal-level progenitor.” Li Qiye nodded.

This casual revelation made everyone gasp and stare at each other.

It was one thing for the continent to be connected with Immortal Bronze. But now, there was a supreme artifact here capable of helping Luminous Master become an immortal-level progenitor?

It didn’t take long before some people started feeling regrets, especially the ancestors who got on it earlier.

If they knew that there was such an amazing artifact here, they wouldn’t have wasted time on the spirit materials.

They certainly benefited from the trip and harvested many grass and herbs. However, these things were not worth mentioning versus an artifact of this level, nothing more than weeds. They should have tried to reach the depth of this land instead of wasting time.

“No wonder why Immortal Bronze Mountain must have this continent. That’s why Zhe Long is here too.” One ancestor said, thinking that he should have known from the start.

How could a big shot like Zhe Long come here for no reason?

“Incredible, Dao Brother. Senior Zhe Long and I calculated and noticed this possibility. We weren’t certain so we came to take a look. You seem to be sure of its existence, looks like you’re one step ahead of us. I’m ashamed of being inferior.” Luminous Master spoke with sincerity.

“It’s no big deal, I just know more.” Li Qiye said.

This knowledge wasn’t due to divine calculation. Because of his ties with Immortal Bronze, he had access to certain secrets.

“Well, a fight is definitely inevitable.” One Everlasting concluded.

The two were on good terms right now but there was a priceless artifact involved. Both Fiercest and Luminous Master would never give it up for any reason.

After all, becoming an immortal-level progenitor meant reaching an entirely new realm - a true supreme existence.

Sure, both imperial-level and immortal-level progenitors shared the same title, but there existed an immense power gap between the two.

The crowd thought that these two were overwhelmed with greed right now for this artifact.

“The supreme artifact inside is precious indeed.” Luminous Master gazed deeper into the continent.

He seemed to have calculated the location of this item. That’s why the experts from Immortal Bronze immediately headed there upon arrival.

This comment confirmed his determination to get the item to the crowd. They became nervous since a storm was coming.

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Luminous Master withdrew his gaze and had a natural expression. He said: “Though the continent has deep ties with our system, it’s not that we must have it. Of course, if you are willing to make concessions, we will give you whatever you need as long as it is within our capability.”

Many nodded approvingly after listening to this reasonable and logical response.

Of course, some Everlastings thought that this so-called negotiation was only happening because of a perceived understanding of the two sides’ power.

If it was any other cultivator or sect, Immortal Bronze Mountain wouldn’t even let them talk, let alone Luminous Master negotiating himself. They would just kick the other party out of the continent.

Plus, most people wouldn’t dare to compete against Luminous Master in the first place. This wasn’t the case for Fiercest.

He wasn’t afraid of Luminous Master and Zhe Long in the slightest. Therefore, Immortal Bronze would be courting death if they wanted to use force against him.

“No need.” Li Qiye shook his head and refused the peace offering right away.

The crowd wasn’t surprised in the slightest since Li Qiye hasn’t given anyone face ever since his debut. He did everything in accordance with his whim.

“Your true power is beyond our imagination.” Luminous Master didn’t become angry: “I don’t need this continent then. Our origin can be slowly figured out, and as for the immortal artifact...”

Luminous Master paused for a bit here. The crowd became anxious, waiting to hear a response.

After all, an item capable of boosting someone to the immortal level was too tempting. Luminous Master should be strong enough to not give up this item, at least in the eyes of the spectators.

“Hmm, an item that can make me reach the immortal level but in history, how many immortal-level progenitors needed external help to get there?” Luminous Master let out a free smile, full of charisma and confidence.

He wasn’t a handsome man but his charm exceeded all the good-looking fellas.

“I’m sure I can reach the immortal level without it, so I don’t need it either.” He concluded.

The crowd simply couldn’t believe it. How could someone resist wanting this great artifact? Moreover, they could see that it wasn’t out of fear. He simply chose this option, thinking that it was the best one.

“That’s why he’s a progenitor.” Someone praised.

Li Qiye also approved and clapped: “Well said, the grand dao isn’t easy. Relying on this artifact will shorten your path. You’ll have potential problems later on too.”

“I’m sure you’re not here for it.” Luminous Master asked, not feeling smug at all from the praise.

“On the contrary, I’m just an ordinary person who can’t resist the item. It has uses for me.” Li Qiye smiled and shook his head.

Some believed that Luminous Master had won in this first round, at least in terms of mindset.

Luminous Master was flexible and patient while Fiercest desired this artifact at all costs. The latter lost in terms of heart and magnanimity.

“I understand. You must have your reasons for wanting it.” Luminous Master nodded.

“I know you won’t be leaving though.” Li Qiye smiled.

“You got me.” Luminous Master happily responded: “Looks like you know my reason for being here then.”

“Just about.” Li Qiye replied.

“I’m here today not to talk about the feud nor to compete for that artifact, these things are inconsequential, no need to waste time with them.” Luminous Master sincerely said.

The crowd didn’t expect this because Li Qiye had just fought against his wife and dao protector. There should at least be some hostile feelings present. And not for the artifact either?

“I wish to fight you, Dao Brother.” Luminous Master finally revealed his intention.

“And that’s why you’re here.” Li Qiye wasn’t surprised.

Luminous finally confused the weaker participants among the crowd. There was no need for this if he was willing to give up this continent and the artifact. Why would he fight Fiercest now?

However, the top masters stared at his expression and immediately understood.

How can the sparrow and swallow know the will of the great swan? Ordinary people wouldn't get his domineering style.

"Yes, just for a fight, please give me pointers." Luminous Master put on a respectful expression.

"But there's no motivation now." Li Qiye actually seemed disinterested to the astonishment of the crowd.

To be viewed so highly by Luminous Master should be the ultimate honor but Fiercest didn't care at all.

"Don't tell me Fiercest is afraid?" One youth said.

"No way." An expert shook his head: "Afraid is a strong word, but since Luminous Master isn't contesting the continent, who would be stupid enough to fight? Fiercest already got what he wants."

Many agreed with this comment. There was no need for Fiercest to fight.

"Please give me pointers. You won't be able to make everyone drown in despair without fighting." Luminous Master didn't give up.

"Your battle spirit is surging." Li Qiye smiled.

The spectators didn't see this at all. Luminous Master looked amicable and natural enough right now with no aura visible.

"It's hard to find an opponent. Brother Sage kept on praising you so I wish to overestimate myself in order to witness the apex of the dao." Luminous Master said.

"It's cold and lonely up high." Li Qiye could sympathize with this progenitor and nodded.

The powerful ancestors and Everlastings understood the comment. In history, Luminous Master wouldn't be considered the greatest progenitor or anything.

But in terms of this generation, he could be considered peerless. His only rival in the past was Orchid Sage but unfortunately, the sage rather traveled the world instead of being competitive.

The master met powerful foes during his youth but as he grew stronger, these foes became insignificant.

He was certainly unbeatable now up in his lonely peak. He looked around and found zero suitable opponents.