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Chapter 1271: Changes in the Child World

Almost all dynasties are ruled by a Great Emperor; in the entire universe, even the weakest dynasty is likely to have several Great Emperors.

Currently, Lu Chen's dynasty has no Great Emperor at all, only a Quasi-Emperor. This worries Lu Chen that if he continues to expand outward, and offends those real dynasties, relying solely on a Quasi-Emperor and a few Emperor Summoning Cards would be insufficient to contend with them.

In the past two years, he has sent many to inquire about the surrounding star domains and has essentially figured out the situation of their current location.

The entire Daxia Dynasty, including the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region, is within the Barbaric Star Domain, with the nearest Vermilion Bird Dynasty being about a three-year journey away.

Of course, for Cultivators, three years mean little, but because the Daxia Dynasty's location is too remote, even the Imperial Mountain Domain sees few Cultivators willing to visit.

This has resulted in very limited communication between the Daxia Dynasty and the outside world. Occasionally, some Cultivators do enter the Imperial Mountain Domain, but after seeing the situation there, they quickly leave without staying too long.

Although the location of the entire Daxia Dynasty is a bit remote, for Lu Chen this is actually a good thing. With no one coming, it gives him plenty of time to develop.

The entire Daxia Dynasty has gradually entered an era of integration of cultivation and technology, with the lives of its citizens getting better and better and their allegiance to the Daxia Dynasty growing stronger.

Tianchen World.

In the study room of Yancheng Imperial Palace, Murong Xue'er is leaning over the desk, her trembling right hand holding a writing brush, practicing calligraphy on a piece of paper, but all the characters are crooked and twisted, just like those of a beginner.

That a talented woman like Murong Xue'er could produce such writing is naturally thanks to Lu Chen. At this moment, Lu Chen is pressing on her behind, with one arm wrapped around her slender waist and the other hand personally teaching Murong Xue'er how to write.

Although Lu Chen frequently does this over the past two years, he is still tireless. Looking at the crooked characters on the table, he laughs and says, "Xue'er, your talent is really poor, I have been teaching you for several years now, yet your writing still looks this ugly."

"Are you even trying? If you keep this up, I might not teach you anymore."

Hearing Lu Chen's words, Murong Xue'er slightly turns her head, giving him a look full of grievance.

Murong Xue'er weakly says, "Your Majesty, you really never tire of this."

Murong Xue'er knows that Lu Chen likes to play roles, but even after many years with him, he remains the same, and nowadays, they don't even conduct official business in the sleeping chambers anymore. Every time Lu Chen visits, he drags her to the study room.

It's either to teach her writing, or to have her paint, or to apply the Virgin Mark on her body, she doesn't really mind, but she can't understand why Lu Chen is so obsessed with the study room.

Now, her sleeping place has almost turned into the study room, fortunately, there's also a resting room next to her study room.

At this moment, Murong Xue'er's fair cheeks are flushed, her entire body tender and boneless, maintaining an intimate posture with Lu Chen.

Seeing such a charming demeanor of the talented woman, Lu Chen feels even more excited inside, then he continues to press down his body, and says: "Continue practicing. If you don't write five hundred characters properly today, no leaving the class."

As his words fell, Lu Chen began to give Murong Xue'er a hard time.

Out of helplessness, Murong Xue'er turns back, placing the writing brush aside, and completely lies down on the desk.

After an unknown amount of time, a voice echoes in Lu Chen's mind, "Chen'er, some changes have occurred in my child world."

Hearing Chu Yuqin's voice, Lu Chen asks with puzzlement, "What happened?"

Chu Yuqin says, "You'll know when you see it."

Lu Chen then divided a strand of his Divine Sense and sent it into Chu Yuqin's Child World. Sensing Lu Chen's actions slowing down, Murong Xue'er knew that he was definitely multitasking. She stopped screaming and just quietly lay on the desk, waiting for Lu Chen to focus again.

At the same time, that strand of Lu Chen's Divine Sense had entered Chu Yuqin's Child World. As soon as he entered, Lu Chen noticed changes in the Child World.

As one of the creators of the Child World, Lu Chen was very clear about its Laws. The moment he entered the Child World, Lu Chen realized that it had synchronized with the universe's time.

That is to say, a day in this universe is also a day in the Child World.

Initially, when the Child World was conceived, a minute in this universe meant a long time had passed in the Child World. As the Child World matured, the flow of time in the Child World gradually approached that of the universe.

However, Lu Chen did not expect that one day the flow of time in the Child World and the universe would completely synchronize; he thought there would always be some difference.

Lu Chen turned his head to look at Chu Yuqin's Divine Sense next to him, "Madam Chu, are you feeling uncomfortable anywhere?"

"No."

Lu Chen glanced at the Child World below and said, "That's good, it's just time synchronization, no impact otherwise."

Chu Yuqin said, "However, recently during their offerings, both the Human Emperor and Demon Emperor expressed their wishes for me to open the world channel, allowing them to leave the Child World."

Upon hearing this, Lu Chen furrowed his brows, his expression becoming serious.

Lu Chen asked, "Why would they think of leaving the Child World?"

Chu Yuqin replied, "You will know once you see their Realms."

Upon hearing this, Lu Chen used his Divine Sense to inspect the various races in the Child World. After his inspection, he felt utterly astonished.

Whether it was the Human Race or the Demon Race, or any other races, there were many cultivators at the Yin-Yang Realm, and even some seemed on the verge of breaking through to the All Law Realm.

The cultivation speed of cultivators in the Child World was far surpassing those in this universe!

Lu Chen instantly understood what was happening. On one hand, it was because the Laws of the Child World had become very refined, and as the Child World continued to grow, the concentration of Spiritual Energy in the Child World far surpassed some of the Life Worlds in this universe.

Even the high-level worlds in the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region could not compare to the Spiritual Energy concentration in Chu Yuqin's Child World, and most

crucially, initially, the flow of time in the Child World was different from that in the universe, and the Yin-Yang Realm cultivators had practiced for countless years.

Lu Chen also understood why those people wished to leave the Child World. Although the Child World had various benefits, the biggest problem was that no matter how much they cultivated, they could not breakthrough to a higher Realm, with the highest being only the Yin-Yang Realm.

This was mainly because the growth speed of the Child World was too slow to keep up with the cultivators' cultivation speed.

The Life Worlds in this universe would also suppress the Realms of cultivators. Once cultivators break through to higher levels, they could pose a threat to the Life Worlds, so the Heavenly Dao Laws wouldn't allow those cultivators to break through to higher Realms.

Of course, many cultivators had broken these constraints and advanced to Realms limited by the Heavenly Dao.

However, the Child World created by Lu Chen was different. The Child World contained Origin Power, which absolutely suppressed cultivators. No matter how much they struggled, they could not break through to a higher Realm.

After the races in the Child World discovered the limitation imposed on their Cultivation State, they had no choice but to request their Mother Goddess and Father God during their offerings to let them out.

Chapter 1272: Constructing the Ascension Exit

At this moment, Lu Chen's brows were tightly knotted as he observed the cultivators in the child world below in silence.

Lu Chen did not know whether he should let the lives from the child world be placed into the universe; if these people were to leave the child world, he didn't know what kind of harm they might bring to the mother body.

Lu Chen also understood why these cultivators wished to leave the child world; their end was nearing, and some cultivators wanted to break through to a higher realm, in pursuit of eternal life.

The lives in this child world could also be considered his children. If he were to trap them in the child world forever, that would be rather too selfish.

For a time, Lu Chen could not make up his mind.

After remaining silent for a while, Lu Chen inquired within his heart, “System, if the lives from the child world leave, will they cause any harm to the mother body?”

The system replied, “No, they were born from a world that the host and his wives collectively created. They already carry the life imprints of the host and the mother body. If they ever betray the mother body and the host, the host only needs a single thought to annihilate them.”

Lu Chen continued to ask, “What if they break through to the Great Emperor Realm?”

After breaking through to the Great Emperor Realm, the physical body will no longer constrain the Great Emperor. A Great Emperor can free themselves from many forms of control, and even possessing a Great Emperor’s lifeblood essence cannot control them.

Lu Chen worried that once the people from the child world came to the universe, if one day they broke through to the Great Emperor Realm, would they become lawless and even turn against him, the Father God?

The system understood Lu Chen’s concerns, hence continued to answer, “The life imprints on their bodies are condensed from the Origin Power. Even if they break through and become Great Emperors, they will still be influenced by the life imprints.”

Lu Chen thought for a moment; if that were the case, then he wouldn’t have to worry about the lives from the child world betraying him.

Seeing Lu Chen lost in thought, Chu Yuqin sighed softly and said, “They are only pursuing eternal life, which is not wrong.”

After all, these people were lives born in the child world. As their Mother Goddess, Chu Yuqin also had a sliver of maternal love for them. She didn't want to see the lives from the child world being trapped and dying there, especially those with innate cultivation talent.

However, she couldn't make the decision to release these lives by herself.

Lu Chen was the Father God, one of the creators. Only with Lu Chen's consent could Chu Yuqin set the lives of the child world free.

Chu Yuqin, seeing that Lu Chen had not spoken for a long time and looked rather solemn, thought that he did not want to let these lives out of his control.

Just when Chu Yuqin was about to continue persuading, Lu Chen spoke, "From now on, we will add another Heavenly Dao Law: anyone who succeeds in crossing the tribulation can ascend from the child world."

Seeing Lu Chen agree, Chu Yuqin immediately breathed a sigh of relief.

Lu Chen continued, "Set the gateway for ascension in Tianchen World. After they ascend, they can first acquaint themselves with the situation of the universe in Tianchen World."

Lu Chen planned to make Tianchen World into an upper world for cultivators ascending from the child world. Those who could ascend were all of the All Law Realm. If a large number of cultivators from the child world ascended in the future, then the overall strength of Tianchen World would greatly increase.

Chu Yuqin said, "Okay."

As the words fell, Chu Yuqin mobilized her power and added a new Heavenly Dao Law to the child world. Any cultivator who reached the Yin-Yang Realm Ninth Layer would face a Heavenly Tribulation; if they successfully transcended it, they could ascend to a higher world and leave the child world.

As soon as Chu Yuqin finished supplementing this Heavenly Dao Law, the sky above the child world was immediately covered with dark clouds, and in the next instant, innumerable purple Heavenly Thunders surged within the clouds.

The cultivators of the Yin-Yang Realm, who were in seclusion within the child world, each opened their eyes. Their faces were brimming with excitement.

Just now, they all simultaneously received a piece of information from the Heavenly Dao: as long as they could pass through the Heavenly Tribulation, they would be able to ascend to a higher world.

They did not know what the upper world was like, but they knew that once they left this child world, they could break through to higher Realms, thus shattering the shackles of life and possessing longer lifespans.

Some Yin-Yang Realm Cultivators who were not in seclusion quickly gathered their clansmen and spread the news.

Soon, the Cultivators within the child world knelt on the ground, worshipping the sky above. They understood that it was their Father God and Mother Goddess who had actively lifted the world's restraints.

While the Cultivators of the child world were worshipping the sky, Lu Chen immediately felt a surge of Origin Power enter his body, and at that moment, Chu Yuqin's child world also gained more Qi Fortune.

This was the first time Lu Chen had ever received such an abundance of Origin Power; just by receiving this Origin Power, Lu Chen's Cultivation State involuntarily broke through.

Seeing that he had broken through, Lu Chen immediately retracted his Divine Sense and stabilized his Cultivation State.

Murong Xue'er, who was leaning over the desk, also felt the crazily growing momentum in Lu Chen's body. Her delicate body couldn't help but tremble slightly; this guy had actually broken through again, so wouldn't he be even more ferocious now?

Having calmed the agitated Spiritual Power within and stabilized his Cultivation State, Lu Chen looked down at Murong Xue'er's jade back, and in the next moment he unexpectedly intensified the session with her.

Murong Xue'er had no choice but to endure it.

Lu Chen did not stay in Murong Xue'er's study for too long; once he fully relaxed, he went to Chu Yuqin's faintly fragrant room.

When Lu Chen arrived at Chu Yuqin's chamber, Chu Yuqin was still sitting cross-legged on the soft couch, with her eyes closed, feeling the Tribulation situations of the Cultivators in the child world.

Upon sensing Lu Chen's arrival, Chu Yuqin opened her eyes.

Lu Chen spoke first: "Madam Chu, I'm planning to create an island on the sea exclusively for the child world Cultivators as their ascension exit."

After all, those Cultivators are from the child world; they do not understand the main universe. If they appear in various places in the Tianchen World without guidance, it could cause chaos.

Chu Yuqin said, "Mm, alright, go and do it now; someone is about to successfully transcend their Tribulation."

As soon as Chu Yuqin's words fell, Lu Chen waved his hand, and the next moment, the two of them appeared on the ocean.

Looking at the boundless ocean, Lu Chen directly communicated with the Heavenly Dao of the Tianchen World using his Divine Sense, requesting a creation of an island on this sea.

The Heavenly Dao of the Tianchen World did not hesitate at all, immediately reshaping the topography of the sea area. Quickly, the Earth's crust rose, and a large island appeared in the sea area.

It was better described as a new continent rather than an island; the size of this island had nearly caught up with the size of Great Sum where Lu Chen was reincarnated in this world.

After the island appeared, it was only rocks and sand initially, but the Heavenly Dao continued to exert its power, and in the blink of an eye, the whole island was covered with green plants and rich Spiritual Energy.

The Heavenly Dao transferred some of the animals and Spiritual Beasts from other parts of this world to the island.

Looking down at the thriving island below, Lu Chen said, "From now on, this will be the ascension exit for the child world Cultivators. Madam Chu, please set up the ascension exit on this island quickly."

"Okay."

Chu Yuqin closed her eyes and directly established a transmission channel exit on the island.

From now on, Cultivators from her child world who break through will be sent by the child world's Heavenly Dao to this island.

Chapter 1273: First Batch of Ascenders

After Chu Yuqin constructed the ascension exit of the child world, she turned to Lu Chen and asked, "Chen'er, why don't you name this island?"

Lu Chen thought for a moment, then smiled and said, "From now on, this island will be called Ascension Island."

Chu Yuqin glanced at Lu Chen with a faint look, thinking to herself how casually the name was chosen. However, considering that the island's sole purpose was to welcome ascended cultivators, she felt it was appropriate to name it directly.

With this in mind, Chu Yuqin raised her hand, drew a giant boulder tens of meters high from the ground, and then carved the words "Ascension Island" on it using her spiritual power.

Having done all this, Chu Yuqin sensed that two people in the child world had already passed the Heavenly Tribulation, so she said to Lu Chen, “Chen’er, two people have passed the Heavenly Tribulation. Should we guide them to Ascension Island now?”

Lu Chen replied, “Sure, let them stay on Ascension Island for a while. In a few days, I will arrange for someone to take them to the cities in the mainland.”

Seeing that Lu Chen agreed, Chu Yuqin immediately commanded the Heavenly Dao of the child world to guide those two cultivators who had succeeded in their tribulation to the exit.

As the exit emitted two beams of blue light, two figures also appeared on Ascension Island.

As soon as the two arrived on Ascension Island, their originally aged faces underwent a significant change. In just an instant, the wrinkles on their faces disappeared, transforming them into the appearance of people in their thirties or forties.

Sensing the changes in their bodies, the two were extremely excited. Jiang Yuze curiously looked around and exclaimed, “Is this the upper realm? Such dense spiritual energy!”

Ji Nan, standing next to Jiang Yuze, remarked, “I really didn’t expect Sect Leader Jiang would be the first to ascend.”

Jiang Yuze turned to look at Ji Nan and said with a smile, “It doesn’t matter who ascends first or later. There’s no need for the Overlord to mind such things.”

Ji Nan responded, “What Overlord? We have already left the Lower Realm. From now on, Sect Leader Jiang should just call me a fellow Daoist.”

Jiang Yuze spoke without reservation, “Alright then, Daoist Ji need not address me as Sect Leader Jiang either; having left the Lower Realm, I am no longer the Sect Leader of the Heavenly Gate Sect.”

With that, Jiang Yuze continued to scan their surroundings and commented, “But speaking of which, this upper realm seems quite desolate. Apart from the denser spiritual energy, it doesn’t seem too different from the Lower Realm?”

Ji Nan remarked, "Indeed, but this world is no longer limited by laws. We can break through to higher realms in our cultivation here in the upper realm."

At this moment, both of their attention was entirely on Ascension Island; they hadn't noticed Lu Chen and Chu Yuqin in the sky.

Then, the two released their Divine Sense to survey the situation on Ascension Island, and the next moment, they suddenly detected a familiar presence.

The two looked up sharply, and just with one look, they recognized Lu Chen and Chu Yuqin. After all, sculptures of the Father God and the Mother Goddess were scattered throughout the child world; it was hard not to recognize them.

Seeing it was the Father God and the Mother Goddess, Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze didn't hesitate at all and hurriedly knelt on the ground, "We pay respects to the Father God, the Mother Goddess!"

They hadn't expected to see the Father God and the Mother Goddess right after ascending. Remembering what was recorded about the Father God and Mother Goddess meting out divine punishment in the child world, they couldn't help shivering involuntarily.

Chu Yuqin gently said, "Rise."

Hearing Chu Yuqin's words, Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze did not dare to stand up immediately. The Mother Goddess had spoken, but the Father God had not yet spoken; to stand up at this moment would be to challenge the authority of the Father God.

Seeing that the two still had not risen, Lu Chen also spoke, "Rise. Do you intend to kneel forever?"

Facing the pressure emanating from Lu Chen, the two felt even more fear, but they still braced themselves and slowly stood up.

"Thank you, Father God, thank you, Mother Goddess!"

Chu Yuqin continued, “Congratulations on successfully passing the tribulation and formally stepping onto the path of immortality.”

At this moment, Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze couldn’t help but think, since Father God and Mother Goddess appeared here, could it be that there is something they need us to do?

Just as Ji Nan was about to inquire, Lu Chen said, “You first stabilize your Realm on Ascension Island. In a few days, I will have someone take you to the cities in the mainland and explain everything about this world to you.”

Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze said in unison, “Thank you, Father God!”

Lu Chen continued, “Alright, that will be all. Later, if there are other cultivators who ascend here, tell them to not wander around and to first stabilize their Realm.”

“Yes! Father God!”

With a wave, Lu Chen then returned to the Yancheng Imperial Palace with Chu Yuqin.

Back in Chu Yuqin’s sleeping quarters, Lu Chen thought of something and said, “Madam Chu, I am planning to establish an organization specifically to guide those cultivators who ascend from the child worlds. How about you take charge of this organization for now? What do you think?”

Lu Chen’s many consorts have each birthed child worlds, and several cultivators have arisen in these child worlds. Before long, there will be more cultivators ascending to the Tianchen World.

With so many Ascenders, if there isn’t a unified management organization, problems are bound to arise, and Lu Chen certainly does not want to see these Ascenders plunge the Tianchen World into chaos.

Chu Yuqin thought for a moment and said, “Indeed, there should be a unified management organization. I can temporarily manage it for you. However, as the number of Ascenders increases, it would be best to hand the management over to the Daxia Imperial Court.”

Chu Yuqin thought that in the future, there would definitely be cultivators from other child worlds ascending, and each child world's cultivators might form different factions due to their distinct origins from their respective child worlds prior to Ascension. If she continued to manage the Ascenders, there might be grievances among cultivators who ascend from other consort's child worlds, thus she was not suitable for long-term management.

But since the Ascender Management Association is still at its inception, she can temporarily assist Lu Chen without issue, especially since the current ascendants are from her own child world.

Lu Chen said, "That works. I'll have someone establish the Ascender Management Association right now."

As he finished speaking, Lu Chen conveyed his intention to Yin Zhengye.

Meanwhile.

On Ascension Island, after Lu Chen and Chu Yuqin left, Jiang Yuze and Ji Nan finally breathed a sigh of relief.

They had only heard about how imposing Father God and Mother Goddess were and truly thought they were ferocious.

However, upon meeting them, they realized that Father God and Mother Goddess were not as stern as they had imagined.

Jiang Yuze looked at Ji Nan and said, "Mr. Ji, it seems we had quite a misunderstanding about Father God and Mother Goddess."

Ji Nan said, "After all, we have only heard about them from historical texts and never met them before. Some misunderstandings are normal."

Saying this, Ji Nan sat cross-legged, "I wonder when Father God will send someone to fetch us."

Jiang Yuze used his Divine Sense to scan the surrounding area. Finding themselves amidst a vast sea, he expressed his concerns, “I hope Father God and Mother Goddess aren’t planning to keep us here indefinitely.”

Ji Nan quickly reminded him, “Mr. Jiang, be cautious with your words!”

Jiang Yuze, realizing what he had just speculated, broke into a cold sweat. Guessing the intentions of Father God and Mother Goddess behind their backs could spell trouble if it provoked them. Although their recent interaction showed that the divine couple wasn’t that ferocious, they were still beings who controlled life and death.

Jiang Yuze promptly ceased his speculation, simply waiting quietly for the guide’s arrival.

Chapter 1274: The Popular Ascenders

Jiang Yuze and Ji Nan calmed their minds and stabilized their cultivation state. Before long, the ascension exit emitted a blue light again, sensing someone’s approach, both opened their eyes simultaneously.

Seeing who had come, the expressions of Jiang Yuze and Ji Nan darkened slightly.

The newcomer was not human, but the Demon Race’s elder ancestor, Hu Xingye.

Upon seeing Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze, the expression on Hu Xingye’s face also darkened, “I didn’t expect to be beaten to it by you two juniors.”

At that moment, Jiang Yuze suddenly thought of something and a smile appeared on his face, “The Demon Race always claims to be under the care of the Father God and Mother Goddess, priding themselves as the legitimate lineage. So why weren’t you the first to ascend?”

Hu Xingye snorted coldly and said, “What difference does it make who ascended first or later? You ascended before me, but you’re still here waiting.”

Jiang Yuze said, “That’s not necessarily the case.”

“You probably don’t know, but the Father God and Mother Goddess were here just a moment ago. If you had come up earlier, perhaps you might have met the Father God and the Mother Goddess. What a pity, what a pity!”

Upon hearing Jiang Yuze’s words, Hu Xingye was stunned for a moment, “Impossible! How could the Father God and Mother Goddess appear here?”

In Hu Xingye’s heart, gods are exalted beings who generally wouldn’t show themselves for a trivial matter.

Seeing the disbelief on Hu Xingye’s face, Jiang Yuze felt an immense satisfaction within. Since the Human Race was punished and demoted for their mistakes, their status in the Lower Realm had become lower and lower, and the Demon Race had risen to become the dominant force in the Lower Realm.

The Demon Race always claims they are deeply favored by the Father God and Mother Goddess, the cherished children of the Heavenly Dao. Now, their esteemed ancestor has ascended to the Upper Realms but failed to meet the Father God and Mother Goddess; how could Jiang Yuze not feel pleased?

After laughing heartily for a while, Jiang Yuze was about to say more when Ji Nan cut in from the side, “The Father God instructed us to remain here and remind the cultivators who ascend later to stabilize their cultivation state on Ascension Island. In a few days, someone will come to take us to the cities in the inner land.”

After hearing what Ji Nan said, Hu Xingye’s look became even uglier, and Ji Nan would certainly not dare to falsely convey the gods’ will, unless the Human Race was seeking its destruction.

Could it be true that the Father God and Mother Goddess had really appeared here earlier?

The thought of being a step late made Hu Xingye regret not breaking through earlier. When he heard that ascension was possible, he hadn’t chosen to transcend immediately but had instead dealt with some affairs with the Demon Race’s descendants, as once he ascended, it was very likely he could never return.

To his surprise, it was this very action that caused him to miss the chance to meet the Father God and Mother Goddess.

Though somewhat depressed, Hu Xingye had no choice but to get down to business and began cultivating to stabilize his cultivation state. He pondered that since he had already ascended, the Father God and Mother Goddess should also be in the Upper Realms, and he was sure to have the opportunity to meet them in the future.

Of course, now he could only comfort himself with these thoughts.

Seeing the troubled look on Hu Xingye's face, Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze both felt a sense of satisfaction.

A few days later, more and more cultivators from sub-worlds ascended to Ascension Island, and after stabilizing their cultivation states, they grew increasingly curious about Tianchen World. They all wanted to leave Ascension Island to explore other places, but recalling what Ji Nan and Jiang Yuze had said, they dared not leave.

Some, finding themselves idle, began to build houses on Ascension Island. As more people arrived, a small town began to form on the island.

One morning a month later, when the sky was still dimly lit, suddenly a cultivator shouted loudly, "Look at the sky, what is that!"

Although Chu Yuqin's sub-world had already entered the Cultivation era, it had not yet brought forth any Flying Boats or such Spiritual Artifacts, and the cultivators present were seeing a Flying Boat for the first time.

Soon, the Flying Boat arrived above Ascension Island, and the cultivators gathered together, wanting to see if it was someone sent by the Father God to take them to the cities in the inner land.

As the Flying Boat slowly descended on Ascension Island, everyone's hearts grew more and more excited, as they were finally about to leave the island to see this vast world.

After the Flying Boat landed, Yin Zhengye descended from it and looked at the cultivators present. He couldn't help but inwardly exclaim, truly worthy of his lord—cultivators from his small world had all reached the Cultivation State of the All Law Realm.

Lu Chen had only briefly mentioned the matter of the Ascenders to Yin Zhengye, who at this time still thought these cultivators had ascended from Lu Chen's child world.

After glancing over the cultivators present, Yin Zhengye spoke, "By the decree of the Heavenly Emperor, I will lead you to the inland cities of the Daxia Dynasty."

"But before that, His Majesty the Heavenly Emperor has prepared a small gift for all of you, which will help you to better understand the entire Tianchen World."

As he spoke, Yin Zhengye took out booklets that emitted golden glows from his Space Ring.

Then, using his Spiritual Power, Yin Zhengye delivered these booklets to each of the Ascenders, like Jiang Yuze, placing one in front of everyone.

Seeing the books before them, everyone was curious. What was Father God doing giving them books? Could it be some sort of Cultivation Technique?

The thought that it could be some High Order Cultivation Technique prompted Jiang Yuze to unhesitatingly pick up the floating book in front of him and open it. The moment he opened the book, it transformed into a golden light and entered his forehead.

The next moment, information about the Tianchen World appeared in Jiang Yuze's mind. He instantly understood what kind of world Tianchen World was, as well as the beings their Father God and Mother Goddess were.

Seeing Jiang Yuze opening the book, the other cultivators followed suit and began perusing the books in front of them. Soon, all the Ascenders had a general understanding of the Tianchen World.

After assimilating the knowledge from the books, the cultivators in attendance simultaneously bowed and said, "We thank His Majesty for his gracious gift!"

Yin Zhengye then said, “Alright, follow me.”

Afterward, Yin Zhengye had some people from the Ascender Management Association stay behind, while he led the Ascenders that were present to a coastal city of the Daxia Dynasty.

As soon as the Flying Boat entered the coastal city, Jiang Yuze and the others were stunned by the scene before them—the coast was lined with huge ships, and the city was filled with towering buildings and wide roads traversed constantly by cars.

Through the Inheritance Book that Lu Chen had just given them, they had already understood what all the things they were seeing were. But to see them with their own eyes was still incredibly novel and shocking.

Before long, the Flying Boat landed next to a large building. Just as Yin Zhengye was about to lead the cultivators from the Flying Boat to register their identities, countless people from various Sects and companies swarmed towards them.

“Interested in joining Chenxi Mining? A hundred Inferior Spirit Stones per month, plus many other benefits!”

“Come be an Elder in our New Moon Sect, our Elders receive a Spirit Stone dividend every year!”

“Is there anyone who wants to be a teacher at Qingshui Academy? Our teachers have the opportunity to further their studies at the Royal Academy!”

“Come to us, come to us...”

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For a time, the area beneath the Flying Boat was in complete uproar.

Seeing this scene, Yin Zhengye felt speechless.

These forces were too eager. Even though the Heavenly Emperor had said the Ascenders could join any force, at least let him help them register their identities first.

Unable to get the people to disperse, Yin Zhengye bellowed, "Make way! The Heavenly Emperor has decreed that Ascenders must register their identities before living in the Tianchen World."

Hearing Yin Zhengye's words, the crowd finally quieted down. They reluctantly made way and watched as Yin Zhengye led the group into the large building of the Ascender Management Association.

Chapter 1275: Kuang Yan Arrives

Daxia Dynasty.

Yancheng Imperial Palace, Imperial Study Room.

Lu Chen, now a Saint, is aware of all happenings in the Tianchen World without the need for reports from the Brocade Guard.

On seeing the Ascenders just complete their identity registration at the Ascender Management Association and then promptly get recruited by various major forces, a smile gradually appears on Lu Chen's face.

There's another person in the Imperial Study Room; Chu Yuqin sits by Lu Chen's side, holding a pen and drafting some rules that the Ascenders must follow on a notebook.

With a glance from the corner of his eye at the contents Chu Yuqin is writing in her notebook, Lu Chen then says, "I was just worried that the Cultivators who have ascended would find it difficult to adapt to this world, but to think they got recruited by various forces right after registering their identities."

While busily working, Chu Yuqin replies, "All the Ascenders are Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators, and for any force, they're a prime target for recruitment, so it's not challenging for them to merge into this world."

“What concerns me more is that as the number of Ascenders continues to increase, there might eventually form a faction dominated by Ascenders, which could cause trouble for the Daxia Dynasty.”

After the resurgence of Spiritual Energy in the Tianchen World, the Cultivators saw a significant improvement in their Cultivation State, but the number of Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators was still not substantial.

Although there are many Myriad Laws Realm Cultivators in the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region, most Cultivators from there don’t qualify to enter the Tianchen World. Considering Tianchen World as his base, Lu Chen has set a series of entry requirements, thus the overall strength of the Tianchen World’s Cultivators is relatively weak.

As the number of Ascenders grows, they will inevitably control various industries in the Tianchen World. On one hand, Chu Yuqin worries that Ascenders might form cliques, and on the other, she is concerned that as their numbers increase, the native Cultivators of the Tianchen World will develop conflicts with the Ascenders.

After thinking for a moment, Lu Chen replies, “Don’t worry, I will gradually lift the blockade of Tianchen World. In the future, Cultivators from the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region will also be able to enter the Tianchen World.”

“Moreover, these Ascenders all come from your child worlds. Cultivators from the child worlds carry life marks, over which we have complete control of life and death. The more Ascenders there are, the better for us.”

Curious, Chu Yuqin inquires, “Life marks?”

Lu Chen instructs outright, “Close your eyes and use your Divine Sense to investigate.”

Following Lu Chen’s instructions, Chu Yuqin closes her eyes and, as her Divine Sense unfurls, she quickly discovers dozens of green dots spread across the coastal cities.

There seems to be a peculiar connection between these green dots and her—as if she could control their life and death with a mere thought.

Chu Yuqin is somewhat surprised—is this the life mark?

Lu Chen continues, “They are all born in the child worlds, and since we created those worlds, they not only have life marks, but also carry the karma of our creations. Therefore, you needn’t worry too much about them causing trouble.”

Lu Chen knows why Chu Yuqin is so concerned about the Ascenders causing trouble; after all, a Heavenly Demon once emerged in her child world.

After hearing Lu Chen’s words, Chu Yuqin finally feels at ease. If they can control the life and death of the Ascenders, there’s no need to worry excessively about them stirring up trouble.

At this moment, Lu Chen turns his head and takes a glance at Chu Yuqin, who is wearing a turquoise split-side green cheongsam, her voluptuous figure filling out the dress completely, with half of her hair done up in a bun on her head, exuding a mature and dignified charm.

Lu Chen’s thoughts stir; he no longer suppresses his desires, opting to take action whenever he feels inclined.

At this instance, Lu Chen reaches out and places his hand on Chu Yuqin’s thigh, smiling as he says, “My lady, you’ve worked hard. How about taking a rest?”

Chu Yuqin turned her head and glanced at Lu Chen with a faint look, then said, “Don’t take too long, I still need to draft the Ascender Management Regulations.”

Seeing Chu Yuqin agreed, Lu Chen didn’t hesitate at all, stood up, and had Chu Yuqin lie down on the desk in the Imperial Study Room.

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As days passed by, some cultivators from Mu Zixuan’s child world ascended as well, and the number of ascenders in the Tianchen World rapidly increased.

Lu Chen also gradually lifted the restrictions of the Tianchen World, and gradually, quite a few forces from the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region moved to the Tianchen World.

Although the Tianchen World is located in a barbaric Star Domain, and a remote one at that, after Lu Chen's transformation, the concentration of Spiritual Energy far surpassed that of some high-level cultivation worlds; even those of the high-level cultivation worlds within the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region couldn't match the Tianchen World.

Moreover, the Tianchen World is a world in growth and is continuously absorbing fragments of worlds from the void to strengthen itself, with the concentration of Spiritual Energy constantly increasing.

No one can say for certain whether the growing Tianchen World might become a place akin to a Holy Land, not referring to power structures like the Black Dragon Holy Land, but to worlds where the concentration of Spiritual Energy is much higher than that of high-level cultivation worlds.

Such Holy Lands are mostly worlds developed by powerful Great Emperor-level beings, and not every Great Emperor has the capability to create such Holy Lands. Great Emperors also vary in their levels, and only the most top-notch among them possess the power to create Holy Lands.

In the blink of an eye, ten years passed.

On the periphery of the Imperial Mountain Domain.

An Immortal Boat was flying at top speed toward the direction of the Chaotic Star Sea when suddenly, an Immortal Boat bearing the Daxia Dynasty's War Dragon Army flag blocked the path of the one heading to the Chaotic Star Sea.

Seeing another Immortal Boat appear in front of him, Kuang Yan's face turned dark in an instant; throughout this journey, he had not yet encountered anyone who dared to stop him.

Kuang Yan immediately halted the Immortal Boat and stood on the deck, releasing the oppressive aura of a Guixu Realm Eighth Layer, "Daring to block my path, have you figured out how you want to die?"

No sooner had Kuang Yan's words fallen than an equally strong oppressive force was released from the War Dragon Army's patrolling Immortal Boat.

Kuang Yan was slightly startled, this was already a remote Star Domain; could it be that there existed a Guixu Realm Eighth Layer cultivator here as well?

The next moment, a soldier clad in golden armor flew into the void and, staring at Kuang Yan, said, “Who are you, and why do you seek to enter the Imperial Mountain Domain? Where are you planning to go?”

Noticing the man’s attire, Kuang Yan’s brows furrowed, it was clear that the other party wasn’t an ordinary cultivator. Judging by his armor, it seemed that he was a General of some Empire, but wasn’t this supposed to be the Barbaric Star Domain? How could there be an Empire here?

Instead of answering, Kuang Yan retorted, “And you are? Why are you blocking my way!”

Tang Ziping said, “You have entered a Star Domain ruled by the Daxia Dynasty, and we have the right to interrogate you. Please immediately state your Identity and purpose, or else we’ll resort to using force.”

Hearing Tang Ziping’s words, Kuang Yan’s expression turned even uglier. Annoyed inwardly, could it truly be that there was an Empire in this godforsaken Barbaric Star Domain?

What nonsense of an Empire, this place probably doesn’t even have a Saint.

Although very displeased at being blocked, thinking of the urgency of his mission, Kuang Yan eventually decided to cooperate.

He had already failed one mission, and if he didn’t hurry up and complete the next assassination mission, what likely awaited him was a fate of being erased.

Chapter 1276: The True Power of the Fire God Cannon

After calming his emotions, Kuang Yan said to Tang Ziping, “This seat is just passing through this star domain and does not plan to stay.”

Hearing Kuang Yan’s response, Tang Ziping’s eyes narrowed slightly.

Not planning to stay?

Leaving the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region, if he continues forward, the Chaotic Star Sea lies ahead. If he doesn't stay in the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region, it means this person intends to go to the Chaotic Star Sea.

What place is the Chaotic Star Sea? It is the foundation of the Daxia Dynasty, even cultivators from the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region have to be vetted before they can enter, how can we let an outsider enter the Chaotic Star Sea.

Tang Ziping said coldly, "Leaving the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region and continuing forward, one will only encounter the Dark Zone. Although I do not know where this fellow Daoist wishes to go, for your safety, please turn back."

Kuang Yan's brows furrowed, clearly hearing that this person simply didn't want to let him move forward.

At this moment, Kuang Yan had not connected the person before him with Lu Chen. Although he didn't know why this person was stopping him, this person's strength was at least at the Eighth Layer of the Returning Ruin Realm, while Lu Chen was just a native from a lower world, it seemed unlikely for him to have any relation with a cultivator of the eighth layer of the Returning Ruin Realm.

However, being blocked by this cultivator of the eighth layer of the Returning Ruin Realm, it would be somewhat difficult to force his way through.

If he cannot get past this obstacle, then he won't be able to reach the Tianchen World, much less kill Lu Chen.

Kuang Yan tried to calm his emotions again, doing his best to squeeze out a trace of a smile, and said, "Fellow Daoist, this seat truly has an urgent matter. Could you please allow me passage? If there really is a Dark Zone ahead, and I get trapped after breaking into it, then it's just my bad luck."

Hearing Kuang Yan say this, Tang Ziping essentially confirmed this person was indeed headed for the Chaotic Star Sea and the Tianchen World and then said, "I am sorry, but Our

Majesty has decreed that outsiders are not permitted to enter the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region.”

Seeing Tang Ziping adamant about not giving way, Kuang Yan’s expression darkened instantly, “Does fellow Daoist really have to oppose this seat?”

Kuang Yan’s anger was thoroughly ignited; what kind of situation was this? Along the way, he had not encountered any Immortal Boats from that Empire obstructing him, he was already nearing his mission destination, but now he was stopped by an unheard-of, insignificant dynasty.

Seeing Kuang Yan’s aura growing more and more intense, Tang Ziping did not hesitate for a moment, immediately sending a divine sense message to the nearby star domain’s patrolling War Dragon Army.

To prevent enemies from entering the Imperial Mountain Domain Star Region, some worlds in the outer periphery of the Imperial Mountain Domain had established outposts. As soon as a patrol team detected an enemy invasion, they would immediately notify the stationed powerhouses at these outposts.

With Tang Ziping’s strength at the Eighth Layer of the Returning Ruin Realm, he was considered a powerful member within the War Dragon Army. However, concerned that the opposing party’s strength was equal to his own and that they might have methods to escape, it was prudent to call for reinforcements to ensure a sufficient response.

After requesting help, Tang Ziping did not attack Kuang Yan immediately. Instead, he returned to the Immortal Boat and shouted loudly, “An enemy is invading. Prepare to use the Fire God Cannon!”

As Tang Ziping’s voice fell, the soldiers of the War Dragon Army on the Immortal Boat sprang into action. Soon the boat’s protective barrier opened, and several gigantic gun barrels appeared at the front of the boat.

Seeing that the opponent didn’t attack him but instead ran back to the Immortal Boat, Kuang Yan was momentarily stunned, unsure of what Tang Ziping was doing.

Just at that moment, Kuang Yan suddenly felt his heart pounding rapidly; his brain instantly sensed danger approaching.

What's going on?

Kuang Yan was even more puzzled. He quickly released his spiritual power to probe the surrounding star domain and still did not detect any approach by strong individuals other than the Returning Ruin Realm Colonel from before.

Since there were no other powerful individuals, why did he feel such danger?

While Kuang Yan was cautiously observing his surroundings, the War Dragon Army's Immortal Boat's cannon roared as it fired a Heavenly Rank Rune Cannon Shell.

Seeing the iron ball rapidly approaching from the distance, Kuang Yan suddenly realized it was the iron ball that caused him panic. He hurriedly released his Law Manifestation and struck out with a sword.

When the iron ball came into contact with Kuang Yan's Sword Qi, it exploded instantly, and in the next moment, a huge fireball appeared in the void.

The Fire God Cannon mounted on the Immortal Boat of the War Dragon Army was an enhanced version, its power was far greater than the base model, and it was controlled by a cultivator of the Guixu Realm Eighth Layer, allowing the power of the Heavenly Burst Rune to be fully unleashed.

Even for a cultivator of the Returning Ruin Realm, taking a hit from the cannon was no easy feat. Of course, Tang Ziping did not expect that the Fire God Cannon could easily kill a powerful cultivator of the Returning Ruin Realm.

The main purpose of the Fire God Cannon now was to exhaust the enemy, especially in the void where a cultivator of the Returning Ruin Realm couldn't replenish their Spiritual Power promptly. If they were to be significantly drained by the Fire God Cannon, the ensuing battles for the War Dragon Army would be much easier.

Having withstood a shot of the Fire God Cannon, Kuang Yan's condition was far from good. Although he blocked it, he still suffered some backlash.

Kuang Yan's eyes gleamed ferociously as he glared at the dark muzzle in the distance, "What the hell is this thing? It can even injure a cultivator of the Returning Ruin Realm like me!"

"How could such a powerful Spiritual Artifact exist in this godforsaken place!"

In Kuang Yan's view, the other party was using a Spiritual Artifact of Earth Rank, or even possibly Heaven Rank. What he couldn't fathom was how such a rare Spiritual Artifact could end up in the hands of a Patrol Captain.

It seems he has encountered no ordinary person!

Without any hesitation, Kuang Yan controlled the Law Manifestation behind him and struck again with another sword.

Purple Flame Saber!!!

With this sword strike, the Sword Qi instantly ignited into fierce purple flames, warping the surrounding space, its power was self-evident.

However, Tang Ziping was not the least bit panicked. Once again, he controlled the Fire God Cannon onboard the Immortal Boat and fired three Heavenly Rank Rune Cannon Shells in rapid succession.

When the Heavenly Rank Rune Cannon Shells collided with the Sword Qi, they exploded instantly, and three massive fireballs appeared in the void immediately.

After the explosion's aftermath dissipated, Kuang Yan found that the Immortal Boat in the void was still intact, which made his face turn even more unsightly. The power of the opponent's Spiritual Artifact was just too great.

Moreover, he had a feeling that the opponent hadn't even used their full strength yet.

Kuang Yan's feeling was not wrong; his use of swordsmanship consumed his own Spiritual Power.

Although activating the Explosive Talisman Pattern also required consumption of Spiritual Power for Tang Ziping, the amount consumed was minimal, and once activated, the Explosive Talisman Pattern could produce tremendous power.

If Kuang Yan couldn't destroy Tang Ziping's controlled Immortal Boat immediately and allowed Tang Ziping to continue this war of attrition, Tang Ziping might very well deplete all of Kuang Yan's Spiritual Power.

Kuang Yan made up his mind that he could not go on like this any longer. If he failed this mission as well, he would have no place left for himself.

All or nothing!

In the next moment, the human-shaped Law Manifestation behind Kuang Yan also ignited into purple flames.

Tang Ziping instantly sensed that something was amiss and immediately flew out of the Immortal Boat. The next moment, a giant human-shaped Law Manifestation appeared behind him as well.

Chapter 1277: Can Your Divine Sense Enter the Child World of Qing Qiu?

Tang Ziping could clearly feel that Kuang Yan was burning his Divine Soul. Under such circumstances, even the Fire God Cannon was starting to be overwhelmed by a Returning Ruin Realm powerhouse.

If they continued to use the Fire God Cannon to fend off Kuang Yan's subsequent attacks, both their Immortal Boat and the Fire God Cannon loaded on it would be destroyed.

If an Immortal Boat was destroyed, they would have to write a report upon return. As a Patrol Captain of the War Dragon Army, Tang Ziping wasn't afraid of anything, except for writing reports.

After releasing his Dharma Body, Tang Ziping immediately activated it, preparing to withstand Kuang Yan's next strike; however, before he could make a move, a sudden powerful presence descended upon this Star Region.

Feeling this presence, Kuang Yan's complexion changed drastically.

How could there possibly be a Saint in this godforsaken place!

How could this be possible?

When Kuang Yan recovered his wits, he directly slashed his sword towards the source of the presence, but the Sword Qi he unleashed was instantly blocked by the corner.

Seeing this, Kuang Yan didn't hesitate at all and immediately fled into the distance. With a Saint making an appearance, if he continued, he would undoubtedly be no match.

One's life was what mattered most. As long as the green hills are there, one need not fear running out of firewood. As long as he could survive, he could just bypass this Star Region and head towards the Tianchen World from somewhere else.

Moreover, these people wouldn't be guarding this place forever. Perhaps by the time he left, they would also soon depart.

It had taken him ten years to travel from the Tianyuan World to this place; waiting a few more months was not an issue, as long as he could complete his mission.

Kuang Yan's speed was very fast. Just as he thought he was about to escape the Imperial Mountain Star Region, a Saint-level oppressive force descended once again.

Kuang Yan greatly regretted his actions in hindsight. He shouldn't have made a move against the Mysterious Moon Palace. Last time he acted against the Mysterious Moon Palace, he had used up his Breakthrough Talisman, and now he could only brace himself in face of danger.

In the current situation, he could only fight for a chance, to see if he could find an opportunity to escape once more. His speed was definitely no match for a Saint's, and a Saint could seal the space, which made his chances of escaping very slim.

However, if he could injure the Saint, he wasn't completely without a chance.

Kuang Yan turned around and released his Dharma Body once again. As soon as his Dharma Body emerged, he quickly activated it, coalescing a giant fist in the void, and hurled it at the approaching Saint.

After all, a Saint is a Saint. At that moment, a Sword Qi containing destructive Sword Intent flew over from afar. Kuang Yan didn't even get the chance to burn his Divine Soul before the Sword Qi pierced through his body. The next moment, his Dharma Body behind him disintegrated, and his body gradually dissipated.

However, Kuang Yan suddenly realized that the opponent seemed not to have sealed the space. The Divine Soul of Kuang Yan's secondary body immediately fled far away and synced its memories to the main body. In just a split second, his main body sensed everything that had occurred here.

The Shenyue Dynasty.

Lu Yanghua's territory.

Under a bustling city lay a huge Underground Palace. Inside the Underground Palace, Kuang Yan suddenly opened his eyes. After receiving the memories of his secondary body, panic overwhelmed Kuang Yan's heart.

He did not care about the severe injuries on his body and immediately rose. "If His Highness finds out I failed the mission, I would definitely be dealt with. No, while His Highness is still unaware, I must leave the Shenyue Dynasty at once."

With that thought, Kuang Yan did not hesitate. He immediately used his Disguise Skills to change his appearance, then dragged his seriously injured body step by step toward the outside of the Underground Palace.

Although Kuang Yan's main body's Cultivation State was influenced by his secondary body, he still retained the strength of Returning Ruin Realm Fifth Layer. If he wanted to complete the mission, he still had one chance.

But this was his main body, and he would not take this risk. If his main body also encountered the same situation, then he would truly perish.

Moreover, he had to be wary of Lu Yanghua killing the donkey as soon as he finished grinding the grain, so running away was his only option. His Lifeblood Essence had always been with him, and as long as he escaped the jurisdiction of the Shenyue Dynasty's controlled Star Region, Lu Yanghua would have no way of dealing with him.

However, as soon as Kuang Yan left his world, more than a dozen cultivators of the Eighth Realm surrounded him.

Seeing these people, Kuang Yan's face instantly turned pale, "Who are you people!"

The leading cultivator said with a half-smile, "Commander Kuang Yan, where were you planning to go?"

Kuang Yan coldly replied, "Where this commander is going is none of your business to interfere with."

No sooner had Kuang Yan finished speaking than Luo Yuan said, "Commander Kuang Yan wouldn't be thinking of fleeing the Shenyue Dynasty because the mission failed, right?"

Hearing this, Kuang Yan broke out in a cold sweat all over his body, instantly grasping the situation.

It was likely that as soon as Lu Yanghua had sent him out on the mission, Lu Yanghua had someone locate his true body and guard it ever since.

Looking at the situation, it seemed that whether the mission was accomplished or failed, he might be silenced.

After all, the person Lu Yanghua wanted him to kill was the son of Emperor Shenwu.

Feigning composure, Kuang Yan said, "I have completed the task and was planning to report back to His Highness."

Luo Yuan said, "Good, then please, Commander Kuang Yan, come with us to pay respects to His Highness."

Kuang Yan forced a smile and said, "Okay."

Although he said so, Kuang Yan was already prepared to run away at this moment.

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Meanwhile.

In the Tianchen World, within the Imperial Palace.

Mournful cries occasionally emanated from Liu Qingqiu's bedroom.

"Qingyun, you are so shameless, do the people of your Sect know about this?"

"Shut... up..."

"Huff... Wait until I break through to Great Emperor, I'm going to your Yunhua Palace and show the Palace Master the footage I recorded on the Shadowcatch Stone."

"Despicable... hiss..."

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In the room, Lu Chen was embracing Liu Qingqiu's waist, aiding her in her cultivation, but the one controlling Liu Qingqiu's body at the moment was not Liu Qingqiu, but her main soul, Liu Qingyun.

Over the years, Liu Qingyun frequently manipulated Liu Qingqiu's body to cultivate with Lu Chen. Initially, she retained some decorum, trying not to attract Lu Chen's attention, pretending to be Liu Qingqiu.

But as Lu Chen uncovered her subterfuge more and more, she eventually grew tired of pretending.

"Huff... That feels good..."

As a round of cultivation came to an end, Lu Chen stopped and asked, "I have a question for you."

Liu Qingyun lay limply on the soft couch, ignoring Lu Chen, not believing he would ask her anything serious at this time.

Lu Chen leaned over, his chest pressing against her jade back, and whispered in her ear, "Can your Divine Sense enter Qingqiu's child world?"

Initially, Liu Qingyun thought Lu Chen would say something to humiliate her, but it turned out to be a serious question.

Liu Qingyun, having often controlled Liu Qingqiu's body over the years, naturally knew about the child world within Liu Qingqiu, and had entered it more than once, though she never inquired about it with Lu Chen.

After catching her breath, Liu Qingyun replied: "Yes."

Even though she had just been tormented and didn't want to deal with this bastard, responding to a serious question wasn't out of the question.

Lu Chen continued, "Then you should also be able to control the Heavenly Dao of the child world, right?"

Liu Qingyun, sparing her words, replied coldly: "Yes."

Lu Chen thought to himself, if even Liu Qingyun can control Liu Qingqiu's child world, could Chu Yuqin's main body do the same?

However, Chu Yuqin's main body severed the karma with her secondary body, and it was uncertain if after severing karma her Divine Sense could still influence Chu Yuqin's child world.

Chapter 1278: This Time It Should Be Foolproof

Lu Chen asked Liu Qingyun if her Divine Sense could enter Liu Qingqiu's child world mainly because some strange things had recently occurred in Chu Yuqin's child world.

A few new Heavenly Dao Laws inexplicably appeared in Chu Yuqin's child world, and the cultivation speed of the cultivators within it had greatly increased.

Most importantly, some strange rumors emerged within Chu Yuqin's child world; there are rumors that their Mother Goddess is two people, one in charge of life and the other in charge of slaughter.

Lu Chen specifically investigated the source of these rumors, but no one knew where they came from.

Such rumors had never existed before, and their sudden appearance, even unknown to the cultivators of the child world, clearly indicated a problem.

Lu Chen had directly communicated with the Heavenly Dao of Chu Yuqin's child world, and even the Heavenly Dao of the child world did not know why additional Heavenly Dao Laws appeared.

The Heavenly Dao added new Laws, yet was clueless about their origin, as though the Heavenly Dao itself had amnesia, which puzzled both Lu Chen and Chu Yuqin.

Lu Chen asked the system, which responded that Chu Yuqin's child world was influenced by some mysterious force. As for what that mysterious force was, the system didn't provide a clear answer.

These past few days, Lu Chen had been pondering over what the mysterious force affecting Chu Yuqin's child world could be. Just now, while dealing with Liu Qingyun, it suddenly occurred to him that Chu Yuqin had a main body, which possessed the Sky Evolution Stone, a mysterious Magic Treasure that could be called a mysterious force by the system, likely related to the Sky Evolution Stone.

Upon hearing that Liu Qingyun could also enter Liu Qingqiu's child world, he became more confident in his guess.

What he didn't understand was why Chu Yuqin's main body, which had severed ties with Chu Yuqin, would secretly sneak into Chu Yuqin's child world.

Seeing Lu Chen fall into deep thought, Liu Qingyun knew it was time for her to leave; hence, she released control over Liu Qingqiu's body, allowing Liu Qingqiu to regain control.

Once Liu Qingqiu had control over her body again and felt Lu Chen's intense gaze, she gently twisted her body and then said, "Your Majesty, she left."

Hearing this, Lu Chen came back to his senses; he knew this meant Liu Qingqiu had regained control of her body. "Heh, she sure ran off quickly."

As he spoke, Lu Chen shifted his focus and returned to the right path.

Whenever Lu Chen sensed that Liu Qingyun had taken control over Liu Qingqiu's body, he would engage in devious paths, but when Liu Qingqiu regained control, he would return to the right path.

After all, Liu Qingqiu had been Fasting for who knows how many years, so whether it was the right path or devious paths it was all the same, except that when Liu Qingyun controlled the body, the devious paths intensified Lu Chen's desire for conquest.

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Qianyuan World.

In King Jin's Mansion within Lu Yanghua's territory.

Lu Yanghua was cultivating in the Cultivation Room when suddenly a voice rang out from outside, "Your Highness, we have brought Kuang Yan's main body, and he claims that he has completed the task."

Hearing this, Lu Yanghua's eyes snapped open, and then he said, "Bring Kuang Yan in."

"Yes."

Soon, Kuang Yan, who was bound with the Immortal Binding Rope, was pushed into Lu Yanghua's Cultivation Room.

After entering the Cultivation Room, Kuang Yan hurriedly knelt to the ground, "Your Highness, I pay my respects!"

Lu Yanghua wore a smile as he looked at Kuang Yan and asked, "Commander Kuang Yan, how has this prince treated you?"

Hearing this question, a chill ran down Kuang Yan's spine; he had a fairly good guess about what Lu Yanghua wanted to do next.

Kuang Yan hurriedly kowtowed and said, "Your Highness, spare my life, Your Highness, spare my life, I am willing to offer my Lifeblood Essence and serve Your Highness for all eternity."

Lu Yanghua immediately walked up to Kuang Yan, crouched slightly, and placing his hands on his shoulders said, "Hey, what are you saying, Commander Kuang Yan? You have made great contributions, how could I possibly kill you?"

Hearing what Lu Yanghua said, Kuang Yan was stunned for a moment. Could it be that he was overthinking it?

However, if Lu Yanghua didn't intend to nip the problem in the bud, why would he send someone to capture him?

Just as Kuang Yan was utterly baffled, Lu Yanghua suddenly slapped his hand onto the top of Kuang Yan's head, and then a tremendous soul power surged into Kuang Yan's brain. Kuang Yan instantly came to his senses, thinking about resisting, but it was already too late.

The next moment, Kuang Yan's memories flooded into Lu Yanghua's mind. Upon seeing the memories of Kuang Yan's clone, Lu Yanghua's face darkened instantly.

He had truly believed that Kuang Yan had completed the mission, only to discover after conducting the Soul Search that Kuang Yan had not even seen the Tianchen World.

Seeing Kuang Yan had deceived him, Lu Yanghua was suddenly furious and immediately kicked Kuang Yan's corpse away.

“Worthless! Truly worthless!”

Seeing Lu Yanghua in a rage, Luo Yuan immediately knelt on the ground. The fact that Lu Yanghua flew into a rage right after Soul Searching meant that even a fool would understand what had happened.

After a long while, Lu Yanghua finally calmed down.

Lu Yanghua stood still, silent, immersed in thought. He was curious about how such a remote Star Domain could possess an Empire, and even a Saint.

Whether it was truly an Empire, he did not know, but according to Kuang Yan's memories, the existence of a Saint was certain.

Could it be that to eliminate one worthless being, he would have to send a Saint to the Tianchen World?

This was impossible. At this time, the other princes had already completed their trials and were returning to the Shenyue Dynasty. If he sent a Saint away now, what if his brothers took advantage of the situation when his side was lacking in strong figures and sent assassins after him?

In such critical times, having one more Saint by his side is an extra layer of security. He was definitely not going to send away a Saint.

After pondering for a while, Lu Yanghua's gaze fell on Luo Yuan. Luo Yuan was also at the Guixu Realm Eighth Layer, and what was key was that his Lifeblood Essence was in his hands. If Luo Yuan was sent, as long as he did not encounter a Saint-level expert like Kuang Yan did, eliminating Lu Chen would be a piece of cake.

What was most critical now was that he could not ascertain whether that Star Domain truly harbored an Empire.

Lu Yanghua suddenly thought of something, and then took out a token from the Space Ring. He then said to Luo Yuan, "Rise, take this token to the Tianchen World. As for what to do, I trust you are clear."

Luo Yuan immediately stood up, looking at the floating King Jin's Token in front of him, slightly dazed. Lu Yanghua continued, "If you encounter any powers that obstruct you on the way, just show this token. I believe anyone who isn't a fool wouldn't dare block your path."

The renown of Emperor Shenwu was known throughout the universe, and his sons were treated as honored guests in all Empires they visited.

Now that Lu Yanghua had given the royal token to Luo Yuan, seeing the token was as good as seeing Lu Yanghua himself. Lu Yanghua was confident that even if that remote Star Domain truly possessed an Empire, once they knew that it was his man passing by, they wouldn't dare to obstruct any further.

This time, it should be foolproof.

Luo Yuan received the floating token and promptly saluted, "I guarantee to complete the mission."

Lu Yanghua reminded him, "You've seen what happened to Kuang Yan. Do not disappoint me again."

"You may leave."

“Yes, Your Highness, your servant will take his leave.”

Chapter 1279: Could it be because of that Red Flower Sedan?

Shenyue Dynasty, Imperial Palace.

Inside the resplendent bedroom, a woman wearing a red Phoenix Robe and a Phoenix Crown, mature and full-bodied, stood with her eyes closed in front of a stone emitting a seven-colored glow.

A moment later, the woman opened her eyes, her willow brows slightly furrowed, her face revealing a trace of confusion.

After contemplating for a while, Chu Yunzhi spoke to herself, “I have already severed causality, so why am I still affected?”

“Could it be because of that Red Flower Sedan?”

As her words fell, Chu Yunzhi’s gaze immediately shifted to a corner inside the great hall.

In that corner, a Red Flower Sedan quietly hovered in the air, its red halo radiating and casting the entire bedroom in red, creating an extremely festive atmosphere.

A few days ago, while she was cultivating, this Red Flower Sedan suddenly appeared. At that time, she thought an enemy had infiltrated her bedroom, so she immediately struck out at the Red Flower Sedan, attempting to destroy it.

However, as soon as she made a move, she discovered her powers were restrained. Then, darkness enveloped her vision, and when she awoke, her Divine Sense had entered Yuqin’s child world.

Initially, she thought she had been pulled into an unknown world by an enemy, but moments later, she found that the child world’s Heavenly Dao had actually merged with her consciousness. She knew everything that happened in that world, even how it came to be.

Upon realizing that the child world was created by Lu Chen together with her secondary body, her originally cold heart stirred with ripples once again.

She had thought that by severing the causality with her secondary body, she would henceforth forget Lu Chen and no longer be affected by him, but unexpectedly, it hadn't been many years before she had intersected with Lu Chen again.

Over the past few days, her Divine Sense traveled within the child world. To avoid being detected by Lu Chen, she deliberately used the Sky Evolution Stone to conceal the Heavenly Secret.

Within that child world, she also encountered Lu Chen's Divine Sense, yet Lu Chen did not notice her, and she did not take the initiative to recognize him, merely watching from afar.

At this moment, Chu Yunzhi channeled her Spiritual Power, trying to control the Red Flower Sedan.

She was extremely curious about the Red Flower Sedan. Its power was terrifying: even she, possessing the Sky Evolution Stone, could be forcibly pulled into other worlds by it. It was very likely this Red Flower Sedan was an extraordinarily frightening Magic Treasure.

If she could control the Red Flower Sedan, it would grant her an additional source of strength, which might greatly assist her in future plans.

However, as soon as her Spiritual Power approached the Red Flower Sedan, it was directly absorbed by it, without causing any reaction, as if a small stone had been cast into a vast sea.

Moreover, after her Spiritual Power touched the red halo emanating from the Red Flower Sedan, she could no longer control it; it was as if her power had been transformed into the Sedan's power.

Chu Yunzhi immediately ceased her efforts and looked coldly at the Red Flower Sedan.

This object was truly too peculiar, capable of directly absorbing her Spiritual Power and converting it into its own strength. She had never encountered such a Magic Treasure before.

Clearly, this Magic Treasure was not something she could control. Her Spiritual Power had been directly absorbed—how could she harness her Spiritual Power to operate it?

Just as Chu Yunzhi was contemplating how to deal with the Red Flower Sedan, suddenly, a special force emerged within Yuqin's child world, entering her body directly.

Chu Yunzhi was slightly taken aback—this is...

Origin Power!

Chu Yunzhi closed her eyes again, sensing the flow of that thread of Origin Power within her body.

Once the Origin Power entered her Sea of Consciousness, her Sea of Consciousness began to expand wildly, and her Divine Soul became even stronger, with Spiritual Power surging out frantically within her body.

Following this, she found the Chaotic Power within her body starting to overflow, and her Chaotic Spirit Body becoming more and more mature.

For a moment, Chu Yunzhi's complexion turned somewhat pale.

She hurriedly suppressed her Cultivation State, preventing her body from continuing to break through. If the Chaotic Spirit Body kept growing, what would meet her next was becoming the Furnace Cauldron of Emperor Shenwu.

Fortunately, that thread of Origin Power was not abundant, and soon her Cultivation State stabilized.

Seeing that her Chaotic Spirit Body hadn't continued to grow, Chu Yunzhi breathed a sigh of relief, feeling somewhat helpless at the moment.

She severed the fate of her secondary body and the Divine Sense connection with it, partly to forget that man who caused her pain, and on the other hand, because severing the fate with the secondary body would greatly reduce the speed of her Cultivation State improvement and the growth rate of her Chaotic Spirit Body.

To her surprise, just by entering the child world of her secondary body, her Cultivation State had improved so much. If this continued, she feared she might break through to the Quasi-Emperor Realm, and her Chaotic Spirit Body would also mature.

This was not good news.

What on earth was that child world, and why could it generate Origin Power?

Emperor Shenwu coveted her Chaotic Spirit Body for the Origin Power. It seemed that Emperor Shenwu had mastered a method for converting power, by which Chaotic Power, after transformation, could condense into Origin Power.

By absorbing the Chaotic Power within her, Emperor Shenwu could obtain Origin Power. To gain Origin Power, Emperor Shenwu was willing to wait for her Chaotic Spirit Body to mature.

And now, Chu Yunzhi had easily acquired Origin Power, which made her feel somewhat complex emotions inside.

Chu Yunzhi thought to herself, if Emperor Shenwu knew she had easily obtained Origin Power, she wondered what he would think.

After calming her emotions, Chu Yunzhi once again fell into deep thought.

At this moment, she didn't know how to deal with Yuqin's child world. Supposedly, Yuqin's child world could give birth to Origin Power, which would be of great help to her cultivation. After all, this was a supreme cosmic force that even the Great Emperors could hardly access. She should be happy about it.

But Origin Power would accelerate the improvement of her Cultivation State and hasten the maturation of her Chaotic Spirit Body. Her scheme was not yet complete. If Emperor Shenwu discovered that her Chaotic Spirit Body had matured, she would soon become his Furnace Cauldron.

Could it be that she should destroy this child world? Unless she was out of her mind, she would never do that.

Furthermore, she could clearly feel that she did not hold sole ownership of this child world. To destroy it, she would need the consent of both Yuqin and Lu Chen, and she lacked the ability to destroy this child world.

Just the thought of Lu Chen stirred a complex mix of feelings in her heart. She had resolved to forget him, yet he had returned to her world in this manner once again.

Could it be that she had to kill Lu Chen to completely sever their fate?

Just then, the glowing red aura from the Red Flower Sedan grew increasingly dense, and Chu Yunzhi immediately felt her own powers being restricted again, and hallucinations seemed to appear before her eyes.

She seemed to see herself wearing a red bridal veil, sitting atop the Red Flower Sedan, marrying Lu Chen.

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Gazing at the illusion before her, Chu Yunzhi sought to use her power to dispel it, but the force of the Red Flower Sedan was terrifying. No matter how she struggled, she couldn't mobilize the power within her body; at this moment, she was no different from an ordinary person.

Gradually, she felt her vision seemed to overlap with the bride's, what she once observed from aside, now felt as though she was personally experiencing it.

Chu Yunzhi tried once more to break free from the Illusion Realm, but no matter how much she struggled, it was futile; she could only watch helplessly as she was taken to the bridal chamber.

Seeing the scenes unfold before her, Chu Yunzhi's heart was sliced with pain; countless nights she had fantasized about this moment, dreaming that she could become Lu Chen's Daoist couple.

But Lu Chen never responded. After she was discovered to possess the Chaotic Spirit Body, she went to Lu Chen, wanting to offer her body to him, yet Lu Chen still did not accept her for the sake of cultivation.

Until the day she was taken away, Lu Chen never gave her a second glance, and in the end, she was brought to the Shenyue Palace and imprisoned there all along.

Within the depths of the palace, her heart gradually grew twisted; the more she once loved Lu Chen, the more she now resented him.

She thought that everything between her and Lu Chen was over, but now this Red Flower Sedan stirred up those painful memories once again.

The mere thought of Lu Chen's cold-blooded indifference caused the hatred within Chu Yunzhi's heart to spread; inside her chamber, her body emitted a thick black fog, enveloping her completely.

However, just at that moment, the Red Flower Sedan emitted a bright red light, its intense radiance directly dispersing the black fog that had wrapped Chu Yunzhi; it was then that her hatred towards Lu Chen vanished in an instant.

In the Illusion Realm, Chu Yunzhi watched as Lu Chen slowly removed her clothes, their figures gradually merging.

In the Illusion Realm, Lu Chen was incredibly passionate, and she seemed to feel his intense emotions as well.

After an indeterminable time, the illusion dissipated, but Chu Yunzhi remained immersed in it.

When Chu Yunzhi regained consciousness, the Red Flower Sedan within the chamber had disappeared without a trace.

Chu Yunzhi glanced at the corner where the Red Flower Sedan had been, feeling somewhat perplexed: what kind of Magic Treasure was this Red Flower Sedan, and to whom did it belong?

Could it be that the owner of the Red Flower Sedan had sent it to her chamber for her to enter Chu Yuqin's child world and experience the illusion just now?

What was the significance of this?

But...

Chu Yunzhi suddenly realized that her body felt much lighter, as if something had disappeared from her.

As for what it was, Chu Yunzhi did not know.

Chu Yunzhi waved her Phoenix Robe, and the Sky Evolution Stone before her vanished; she walked slowly to the entrance of her chamber, gazing at the distant sky, murmuring to herself: “Did you do all this?”

As Chu Yunzhi’s voice fell, she discovered red lines entwined around her body, and these lines were growing in number.

To be precise, these red lines had always been wrapped around her, yet now she could see them.

Chu Yunzhi’s mind was stunned; this was the marriage line!

As someone entangled by the marriage line, Chu Yunzhi clearly knew to whom the other end was connected.

Chu Yunzhi could hardly believe that the other end of the marriage line was tied to that cold and indifferent man.

Why would there still be a marriage line between her and Lu Chen?

The marriage line existed only with her secondary body, which she had severed from its karma, and her secondary body now existed independently; so how could these marriage lines appear on her main body?

After a while, Chu Yunzhi made a decision in her heart and returned inside her chamber, taking out the Sky Evolution Stone once more.

Although she was not in the Tianchen World, she could still affect everything in the Tianchen World using the Sky Evolution Stone.

Daxia Dynasty.

Yancheng Imperial Palace.

Chu Yuqin was cultivating on a soft couch when she suddenly felt a familiar force. Chu Yuqin opened her eyes, looking around her bedroom in confusion.

The bedroom was extraordinarily quiet, even the maids were absent. Chu Yuqin was puzzled and couldn't understand why, but she always had the feeling that she was being watched by someone.

Just then, the curtains of the bedroom were swaying with the wind. Chu Yuqin frowned slightly and immediately used her Spiritual Power to scan the entire bedroom, but still, nothing seemed out of the ordinary.

Wait a minute...

Chu Yuqin quickly realized that it wasn't just her bedroom that was utterly quiet, even the area outside her bedroom was eerily still, devoid of any person.

This was, after all, the Yancheng Imperial Palace, and there were many maids outside her bedroom—how could there be no one around?

After sensing something was amiss, Chu Yuqin became alert and tentatively said, "Who's there! Come out!"

Despite her vigilance, she wondered if that troublesome fellow was playing some kind of trick again. After all, Lu Chen had a history of enjoying role-play, pretending to be a villain, and then would suddenly pounce on her and give her a good challenge.

However, at that moment, a woman's voice echoed in the bedroom, "It seems you're living quite happily now."

Hearing this voice, Chu Yuqin was startled; she was all too familiar with it.

After coming to her senses, Chu Yuqin immediately rose from her soft couch, and her imposing aura involuntarily radiated out.

As a secondary body, she was very clear about how much Chu Yunzhi detested Lu Chen. What she didn't understand was why, even after the main body had already severed all karma, Chu Yunzhi would come seeking her out now.

Chu Yuqin asked emotionlessly, "What do you want?"

Chu Yunzhi said, "It seems you care a lot about him."

Chu Yuqin responded coldly, "How much you loved him in the past is how much I care about him, after all, I am a split body created by you."

Chu Yuqin suddenly thought of something and continued, "Is the anomaly in the child world caused by you?"

Although there was no conclusive evidence, the sudden appearance of Chu Yunzhi coincided with irregularities in the child world, likely indicating some connection.

Seeing how defensive Chu Yuqin was, Chu Yunzhi said, "You don't have to be so nervous, I have no intention of harming Lu Chen."

Chu Yuqin said indifferently, "Do you think I would believe you?"

As Chu Yunzhi's secondary body, Chu Yuqin knew all too well how much Chu Yunzhi hated Lu Chen.

At that moment, Chu Yunzhi uttered a questioning sound.

"Hmm?"

“What is this?”

Chu Yunzhi suddenly realized that Tianchen World had deviated from the Sky Evolution Stone’s arrangement, and now Tianchen had become a High-Level Cultivation World with an extremely dense Spiritual Energy, almost catching up to the Imperial Capital of the Shenyue Dynasty.

How could this be? How could a child world like Tianchen, an originally low-level world with an incomplete set of Laws, transform into something like this?

Then, Chu Yunzhi used the Sky Evolution Stone to read through the entire developmental history of Tianchen World, and upon feeling the events occurring there, Chu Yunzhi was utterly stunned.

It wasn’t just that Tianchen World was deviated from the layout of the Sky Evolution Stone, experiencing earth-shattering changes, but even Lu Chen’s growth trajectory had completely parted from the Sky Evolution Stone; Lu Chen was now actually a Saint.

How is this possible!