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Chapter 1391: Get Going

The man in black coldly smiled, "Do I have the capability? Am I showing off? I will let you experience it very soon!"

Suddenly, he took a spinning turn in the air and made a fast moving tornado in the sky moving from top to bottom hitting over Ye Xiao!

As the man landed on the floor, the big tree where he had stood on was bent down by the tornado.

A sharp wind flow was rushing over to Ye Xiao!

Ye Xiao blandly smiled and shouted, "Nice move!"

He sounded casual but felt different in his heart. As the man in black moved, a familiar feeling was rising in Ye Xiao's heart. He felt like... he was fighting against Wu Fa and Wu Tian again.

The man in black made waves of dark fog everywhere which felt like attacking Ye Xiao from everywhere... The darkness contained endless horror and evilness. Ye Xiao had just started to fight the man, but he could feel that this man was not a weak cultivator!

In fact, the man was almost as good as Wu Fa and definitely better than Wu Tian!

Ye Xiao was on guard.

It wasn't a surprise that the man was sent by the secret organization. Ye Xiao had sent messages to the world that he declared war against the secret organization. It was reasonable that the organization would send people out to kill him.

However, what mattered for Ye Xiao was that the organization casually sent a man who was almost as powerful as Wu Fa!

He was not sure in what position that man was in the organization, but he believed it wouldn't be at the top level. In another word, there should be more powerful cultivators in the organization... who could be even more powerful than Ye Xiao could imagine!

The man in black had stricken his attack, so Ye Xiao held up Bing-er's waist and started to move backward fast. He wasn't moving down the mountain, but up to the top of the mountain.

"Are you escaping?" The man gloomily smiled and said, "Xiao Monarch, do not think that you can be the world's most powerful man only because you defeated Wu Fa... I don't know the others, but I am definitely not going to spare you!"

Then he flew up like a hawk and waved his hands. Two flows of dark smoke showed up like it was solid, attacking Ye Xiao.

Ye Xiao made a palm hit right away to strike the smoke, and the smoke was scattered. However, the smoke scattered for a while and then reformed to two solid flows again. This time, two hands showed up in the front end of the flows, which were going to grab Ye Xiao.

Ye Xiao decided to dodge, so he turned and dashed away over a hundred meters again with Xuan Bing.

The man in dark clothes didn't give up but only chased him like the shadow followed the form.

Unexpectedly, Ye Xiao suddenly thrust up in the sky for hundreds of meters. All of a sudden, he had become a tiny black mark in the sky.

"Great move!" The man praised, "What a shame! No matter how well you can move, it won't help you much to escape my absolute superiority in power."

Then his two hands crossed over each other, and some dense dark smoke rushed up to the sky and became a huge dark cloud that covered the sky.

The man actually got into the dark cloud. He disappeared.

Ye Xiao landed on the floor like a shooting star. He put down Bing-er on the floor and talked to her, "Stay here. I am going to kill him!"

The man in black was unexpectedly powerful indeed, but Ye Xiao wasn't scared of him at all. He seemed to get away in the beginning because he wanted to see clearly the martial art of the enemy. It was always right to figure out the enemy's capability before starting the fight.

The organization was powerful and mysterious. The man in black must be in a high position in the organization, so Ye Xiao figure it would be helpful to know more in-depth about this man's capability for learning more about the secret organization.

Besides, Bing-er was with him. Before he made clear the enemy's power, he wouldn't start the tough fight. After all, when two superior cultivators fought, the people who got hurt first were those around the battle. Bing-er might get hurt if the fight started.

Ye Xiao thought that Bing-er wasn't powerful enough to stay safe in the fight even though she had been boosted by the fruit. That was why he was so cautious about it!

As he put her down somewhere safe, he could start verifying the conjectures in his mind. The best way to verify something was to test it in practice!

Ye Xiao flew out fast. - Shoot! - He moved both hands while flying fast, and then the golden light shined up with purple qi around him.

- Pah! - The dark smoke in the sky was scattered away.

However, it didn't affect the man in black. The man weirdly moved behind Ye Xiao, and stroke out a palm hit immediately. It was striking out in a spectacular angle which aimed at killing.

Ye Xiao turned around fast and made a palm hit which was like a mountain-breaking ax. The two hands hit each other firmly!

- Pang! -

The dark smoke was scattered again. The man in black staggered backward and Ye Xiao stepped backward three steps too.

It was an even collision!

That proved the outstanding power of the man in black! He must have reached the top of Dao Origin Stage!

"Xiao Monarch, you are indeed as good as they say." The man sounded more serious but talked like he didn't care. "I have to say you do have the power to defeat Wu Fa!"

Ye Xiao sneered, "Of course. Nobody can argue against the truth. Whether you say it or not, I did defeat Wu Fa! However, do you think you are qualified to question my power?"

The man in black smiled and said, "That's right. Truth is truth. I haven't used a weapon for hundreds of years. I thought nobody in this world can force me to pick up my weapon. I guess I was wrong. You are pushing me to the edge. You, a young man... Ye Xiao... Come on, let's see if I am qualified to question you!"

The man suddenly became like a phantom, and then thousands of phantoms of him showed up. As the phantoms showed up, the entire mountain was lit up by some glaring red lights!

At that moment, it felt like a burning cloud was falling on the mountain from beyond the heavens.

The man in black seemed to become thousands of men. In the sky, on the floor, everywhere around this mountain, there were red shadows of him. He occupied every inch of the area!

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Chapter 1392: Red in the Sky

Ye Xiao didn't dare to hesitate. On one hand, he expanded his spiritual mind to the extremeness. On the other hand, he operated his Ying Yang Eyes, which he hadn't used for quite a long time. His Tittle Phase skill allowed him to disassemble the enemy's moves, but he had to see the enemy's technique first. As his spiritual mind spread out, with the Yin Yang Eyes, he actually did see everything in the world.

The man in black was holding a red ribbon, which was about one meter wide and about a hundred meters long. The ribbon was soft and tender, but the edge was sharp. When it went by some trees, the trees would be cut smoothly into parts. Afterward, because of the aftereffect of the man's power, the parted trees were crashed into ashes.

As the long ribbon moved, it looked like a one hundred meters long sword with cold and overwhelming power!

Ye Xiao couldn't understand. The ribbon was basically a piece of cloth, which should be tender and soft. How come it was sharp like some divine weapons?

Ye Xiao kept dodging the ribbon, and his eyes were flickering.

As he got close to the ribbon, he confirmed that the ribbon didn't turn sharp because of the man's energy. The ribbon itself had the marvelous power!

"Is it a treasured weapon?" Ye Xiao humphed.

"What a surprise! You are such a young independent cultivator, but you actually know the existence of treasured weapons. That is impressive..." The man sneered but attacked even faster.

Ye Xiao frowned and thought hard. Apparently, the man's power and the treasured weapon together was something beyond Ye Xiao's estimation. After a while, he made a long shout and flew out the attacking area of the ribbon. Flying in the sky, he coldly said, "I think I know who you are now!"

The man sneered, "Oh? Are you really as knowledgeable as you think you are? Go on then. Tell me who I am. What is my name? Where am I from?"

It seemed he was quite sure that nobody in Qing-Yun Realm could recognize him.

Ye Xiao looked confident, but the man thought that he was bluffing.

However, Ye Xiao blandly said, "No trace, no shadow, the Red in the Sky! It is you, Red in the Sky!"

The man heard it and started to tremble like he just got stricken by thunder. The flying long red ribbon suddenly fell down like a dead snake and then got withdrawn back to the man's hand.

The man stared at Ye Xiao and shouted, "Who are you? How did you know this..."

Ye Xiao coldly smiled and said, "So you are Red in the Sky... I guess Master Bai treated you quite well, right? He is the person who gave you the power, the marvelous martial art, the great weapon, and raised you up as his most trusted man... Who could know that you actually betrayed him? You actually spend your life doing these sneaky businesses... Hahaha... Master Bai, the owner of the great House of Chaotic Storms, actually has recruited a man like this. That is surprising!"

The man was shaking. Suddenly, with a light sound of exploding, the dark fog was gone, revealing the man's skinny face. He seemed pretty surprised, staring at Ye Xiao and shouting, "Who are you? How do you know about me? How do you know about Master Bai?"

Ye Xiao coldly said, "I know him, and I know how you betrayed him! I know that he once built a House of Chaotic Storms in this world... You, a traitor, took over the forces he built up in the past and made it a complete vile organization!"

"After the last collapsing Master Bai made in this world, he left Qing-Yun Realm. The famous House of Chaotic Storms is gone..."

"However, you... Red in the Sky... You unscrupulous bastard! You ignored the man who has raised you up and given you everything! Aren't you ashamed?"

Ye Xiao's words were like knives cutting the panicking heart of the Red in the Sky.

The Red in the Sky stepped back two steps, sweating and panicking.

"Even now, you are still using the weapon Master Bai gave you to fight your enemy?" Ye Xiao sneered and disdained him, "The Red in the Sky... Master Bai gave you this name, didn't he?"

The Red in the Sky looked like in pain, crazily shouting like a mad man, "No! Impossible! You don't know who I am! Who are you? Who the f*ck are you?"

He started to rush toward Ye Xiao like crazy, showing a terrible and fierce face, gritting his teeth, "I am going to rip out your heart and see who you are!"

"What is this? Are you guilty? Are you scared? Are you frightened? You are so afraid of Master Bai that you lived scrupulously, hiding behind the scene. What? Now you dare to show your face to the man who reveals your identity?" Ye Xiao cruelly sneered, "Since this is such a good opportunity, I guess I am going to do some cleaning for Master Bai!"

As he made a long shout, the stars started to shine in the sky, lighting up the world!

The Stars Sword appeared with a full sky of stars!

Ye Xiao didn't use the Stars Sword even when the red ribbon was pushing him to the edge, because he wanted to know who this man really was.

He wanted to see if the enemy was who he guessed.

He didn't just make a random guess on the man's identity. Master Bai created collapses ten times during the thousands of years in the Land of Han-Yang. Every time, he controlled the rise and fall of the kingdoms, and the wars in the land... When House of Chaotic Storms showed up, Master Bai would recruit a group of people. When Ye Xiao first knew Ning Biluo, Xiu of the Heavens wanted to recruit Ning Biluo, because Ning Biluo was a good candidate. Many of the men they had recruited had ascended to Qing-Yun Realm.

Most of those people just disappeared after ascending to the upper realm.

In the three thousand years, how many people had disappeared just like that?

Countless!

The House of the Chaotic Storms nearly recruited all the superior cultivators in Land of Han-Yang during the thousands of years. However, those cultivators all disappeared after ascending. No matter what, it was impossible that all of them got killed by people in Qing-Yun Realm!

In fact, every one of those people had a name and a specific background.

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Chapter 1393: Master Bai's Opponen

When Ye Xiao made sure that he was going to be against House of Chaotic Storms, he spent quite a lot of time to search for the information about the superior cultivators in history who helped Master Bai. He remembered almost every legendary figure of those people. However, Ye Xiao had never thought that he would meet the Red in the Sky, who had also ascended from Land of Han-Yang!

He was surprised that this weak cultivator from Land of Han-Yang actually grew stunningly fast like this!

It was such a coincidence!

Ye Xiao recognized it not only because of the coincidence and good luck, but also the hard work he had put on searching for the information in the lower world!

The Red in the Sky was exposed, and he was scared, ashamed, and then got furious. What he wanted to do was to kill Ye Xiao within one strike. When his red ribbon rushed out with killing intent, Ye Xiao's Stars Sword had shown up!

The sword was shining the lights of stars, lighting up the world.

As the sword moved, it made a long flow of splendid lights. The East-rising Purple Qi energy was pouring into the sword, making the sword shine purple glow. The red ribbon seemed to meet its bane, so it immediately moved backward. The dark fog around the red ribbon suddenly scattered away!

The Red in the Sky saw the powerful counterattack, so he was scared. He hurriedly withdrew the ribbon and the dark fog, finally showed his real appearance—a slim man with a burning flame in the eyes. He stared at Ye Xiao, "What is that sword? Who are you?"

Ye Xiao humphed and blandly said, "Do I know you that well? Do you think I must answer? Who do you think you are?"

The Red in the Sky humphed and said, "Xiao Monarch, you are native in Qing-Yun Realm. How do you know about Master Bai?"

He did ask a good question. Ye Xiao had been famous in the world, but he was only hundreds of years old, and an independent cultivator. His age and experience could never get him to some secrets in the history of Qing-Yun Realm. Normally, it was difficult for a man like Ye Xiao to know the existence of Master Bai, not to mention knowing a lot about Master Bai. Ye Xiao actually knew a lot about what Master Bai did in Land of Han-Yang and this realm! That just didn't make sense!

Ye Xiao laughed, "The House of Chaotic Storm in this world hasn't been heard for many years. Master Bai has done a lot of things down there, yet none of you guys have done one thing up here.

"You guys wiped clean all your traces disappeared, and hid under the ground, only to get rid of the restraint of Master Bai. You don't use your real names. You don't show up in the martial world... It must be hard to hide for such a long time, isn't it?"

The Red in the Sky looked painful, "I just want to know who you are! Why do you know that much about Master Bai?"

Ye Xiao blandly said, "I think you want to know how I got to know what he did down in Land of Han-Yang! To be frank, I am from Land of Han-Yang... When he tried to collapse the world down there, I was the one who stopped him."

The Red in the Sky took a deep breath and said, with his eyes flickering in shock, "You... Are you really his opponent?"

He sounded much more cautious all of a sudden.

He knew Ye Xiao had become the world's most powerful figure, a top-level Dao Origin Stage cultivator, but Master Bai's opponent was what frightened him the most.

When a man knew more, he would realize more than he didn't know. In Land of Han-Yang, Master Bai was like an invincible cultivator to him. After staying in Qing-Yun Realm for many years, he finally realized that Master Bai was like a god who knew everything!

A god's opponent was definitely not a man he could mess with!

He hurriedly stopped himself from thinking that way, because if he kept thinking that way, he would be broken before Ye Xiao did anything. Master Bai was a nightmare in his heart. Whoever was capable enough to be Master Bai's opponent must be equally horrible!

Ye Xiao blandly said, "We have finished the conflict. There is something I want to know... Master Bai collapses the world because he has a certain reason. If you see him deeply, he is not a man who loves killing... I think the House of Chaotic Storms in this world shouldn't be a vile organization."

He looked at the Red in the Sky and said slowly, "However, how come it became like this these days?"

The Red in the Sky spoke in a hoarse voice with the weird red glow in both eyes, "As you said, do I know you that well? Do I have to answer your questions? Who do you think you are?"

"Oh, you even dare to mess with Master Bai's opponent now. It seems you are quite certain that Master Bai has left..." Ye Xiao tried to push him, "Is that why you finally dared to jump out?"

The Red in the Sky got his red eyes covered by more flowing dark smoke. Suddenly, he shouted loudly and jumped up to the sky. The red fabric almost covered the sky. He said, "Ye Xiao, we are on opposite sides. Let's get the fight started! Don't you try to talk me to the edge! It is impossible!"

- Boom! -

He jumped in the sky, and then his dark shadow spread out in several parts as if his head, arms, legs, all going different directions. However, the streams of qi had been blasting the mountains around into pieces!

The blast of a sword, saber, finger hit, fist, palm hit, spear...

It was a long red ribbon, yet within one second, it attacked with the shape of all kinds of weapons in the world!

The unstoppable attacks were crazily shooting to Ye Xiao with the power that was strong enough to break a mountain.

The Red in the Sky had been self-restraining because he didn't want to make a big noise that would draw others attention. However, he couldn't care about it anymore. The only thought in his mind was to kill Ye Xiao immediately!

Ye Xiao watched the attacks flowing over to him rapidly, but he wasn't scared at all. With a smile, he said, "It is fine that you don't want to tell me. I will find out very soon!"

Then his Stars Sword shined again. He started to operate his unique sword moves to deal with the storm-like attacks!

The Stars Sword fought against the treasured ribbon.

A sword stroke against thousands of different weapons.

This time, Ye Xiao was fighting in his full power!

He was using all of his power!

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Chapter 1394: Xuan Bing Attacked

Ye Xiao had learned a lot from the fight against Wu Fa and Wu Tian, and now he had finally stabilized his cultivation. As he fought in his full power now, he was more destructive than ever before!

The Red in the Sky only had little contact with Ye Xiao, and he knew what he thought about Ye Xiao was wrong. Now he knew that Ye Xiao was more powerful than enough to defeat Wu Fa!

[Bastard! He has been hiding, pretending to be weak. He is trying to make me lower my guard, to attack him in full power so that he could seize the chance to defeat me! What a scheming man!]

"You deserve your fame indeed, Xiao Monarch!" He made up his mind and strengthened the countless-weapons attacks. He doubled the strength of the spear and staff attacks to overwhelm Ye Xiao's Xiao Monarch's Nine Laughters!

However, as the two waves of attacks crashed, the red shadows were breaking down immediately...

Normally, if the attacking momentum of a cultivator collapsed, the cultivator was going to be defeated soon. However, Ye Xiao felt something different. The man was definitely better than this. It was impossible that he would just fall like this.

As expected, the Red in the Sky made a long shout and flew up to the sky with red shadows covering everywhere. As he flew up hundreds of meters, he blandly said, "Farewell!"

After the collision, he had confirmed that it was impossible to kill Ye Xiao. In fact, if the fight went on, he might get killed by Ye Xiao instead!

Ye Xiao had planned for quite a while, waiting for the Red in the Sky to attack in full power. Ye Xiao thought that even if the scheme were noticed, the Red in the Sky wouldn't be able to stop the attacks of the ribbon. However, the Red in the Sky was actually a capable man. He was able to not only transform the ribbon into all kinds of attacking weapons but also transform the attacks into pure energy. All he wanted was to distract Ye Xiao for a while and then sacrifice the qi in the attacks because that would save him a second to escape the fight. He would get his cultivation weakened, but it was much better than dying in this place!

It was just as he expected. As he gave up the qi he used on the spear and staff attacks, Ye Xiao was stopped for a moment. It was just an instant, but it was already long enough for such a capable cultivator to leave!

The Red in the Sky suddenly started to move in a red shadow. He was leaving.

However, at that moment, a white shadow moved so fast that it arrived behind the Red in the Sky without being noticed!

Xuan Bing!

When Xuan Bing moved, she had broken through the limitation of distance. As the thought arose in mind, she was already behind the Red in the Sky. She casually waved her pale hands and cast out a boundless encirclement.

It completely covered the Red in the Sky.

That was unexpected and shocking!

The Red in the Sky had only thought about Ye Xiao.

Ye Xiao was everything that filled his mind.

The woman, Ye Xiao's concubine, was only a doll to a man.

That was all!

He had never pay attention to this woman at all!

He even thought about raping and then murdering the woman after killing Ye Xiao.

However, unexpectedly, this toy was actually such a powerful cultivator with such horrible battle sensation.

She even moved unbelievably fast!

He had just jumped up to the sky and prepared to say something before leaving the battle. He was confident that Ye Xiao was unable to catch up.

However, at that moment, Xuan Bing actually rushed up to him. She had seized the timing so perfectly and moved so sharply. As she moved, the encirclement caught the Red in the Sky and covered the sky.

He was shocked!

He felt that the world was crazy!

It had surprised him a lot when he realized Ye Xiao was more powerful than he thought. However, Xiao Monarch's fame explained it at some point. After all, he defeated Wu Fa and Wu Tian. He just didn't understand how a concubine of Ye Xiao could be so horribly powerful! It was frightening!

The Red in the Sky got caught and attacked by Xuan Bing while he was off guard!

He didn't have time to defend himself from the deadly attacks. The only thing he could do was to turn himself into a cloud of dark fog. He was trying to avoid being hit and save some time for preparation.

That was the best choice he had, and he did it right!

However, before he entirely became a cloud of dark fog, there was a moment he was unguarded...

Usually, it was impossible to do anything within such a short time. However, at this moment, for Xuan Bing, that instant, in the twinkling of an eye, was long enough to do a lot of things.

- Pang, pang, pang, pang... -

Xuan Bing had continually stricken out dozens of palm hits, firmly hitting on his body. The Red in the Sky didn't turn himself into a cloud of dark fog, but he was hit and broken into a cloud of mist!

The next moment, a wave of cold suddenly arrived and froze the area!

Even the scattering dark fog was frozen inside the area.

Xuan Bing was moving in the sky with her flying white clothes around the frozen sphere for over a hundred rounds.

In every round, she hit the sphere hundreds of times. The area inside the frozen sphere which was full of the dark fog was actually compressed into a solid ice ball.

The next moment, the beautiful lady casually reached out her hand and took the ice ball.

The compressed ice ball was about forty centimeters wide, and she actually took it down from the air. After that, she held the ball in one hand and slowly landed on the floor.

From the Red in the Sky attempting to leave, Xuan Bing appearing to stop him, to Xuan Bing compressing him into an ice ball... it seemed to be complicated and time-consuming. In fact, the whole process only took no longer than ten... actually, five seconds!

That was why when Xuan Bing landed on the floor in front of Ye Xiao, Ye Xiao was numb, staring at her.

He couldn't believe what just happened!

When the Red in the Sky gave up the qi in the attacks and prepared to leave, Ye Xiao praised it in his heart. [This man is indeed a capable man of Master Bai. He is decisive and bold. He actually decided to leave just when he noticed he would fail! Impressive!]

However, before he was able to say anything, he saw the Red in the Sky get stopped, defeated, captured, and sent back to the battle!

[Holy heavens! Isn't it crazy? What the hell is going on?]

[Is this Bing-er? My Bing-er?]

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Chapter 1395: The Black Hand Appeared!

[Bing-er... Bing-er has just improved... I just stabilized her power...]

[How could she...]

[How did she... Why is she suddenly this powerful?]

[Even I was tricked by that man, and I couldn't keep that man stay... But... She actually sealed him inside an ice ball in such an overwhelming way.]

[Isn't it... Isn't it too weird? Isn't it magical?]

"Bing-er..." Ye Xiao couldn't believe it.

"Master..." Xuan Bing anxiously said, "I didn't follow your order. I took a move by myself. But... This guy is... When he looked at me, I can see his filthy lust in the eyes... I just can't endure it. He even became a cloud of dark fog... It is disgusting... I think I can catch him as long as I can capture the dark fog..."

Ye Xiao's mouth was twisted. [Well, it makes sense...]

[But still... Isn't it weird?]

When the Red in the Sky showed up, Ye Xiao knew that he was a powerful cultivator, who was at least at the same level as Wu Fa. When the man turned into dark fog and moved away, Ye Xiao knew that it was almost impossible to stop him.

Ye Xiao only had a chance to kill the man when the man attacked in full power.

In another word, Ye Xiao had to make a plan to catch the enemy step by step.

That was why he intentionally showed his weakness and provoked the Red in the Sky. All he wanted was to make the Red in the Sky attack recklessly. Ye Xiao was controlling the pace of the fight. The best outcome would be Ye Xiao successfully capturing the Red in the Sky, but if he failed to, he would kill the Red in the Sky. A man like him must be in an important position in the vile organization so Ye Xiao would like to kill him!

Things did go as Ye Xiao expected, but the Red in the Sky was more powerful than Ye Xiao thought. If Xuan Bing didn't show up and help, the enemy would have gone away!

However, what happened shocked Ye Xiao even more!

"Bing-er, I know what you thought... But... How did you come up with that method to catch him..." He was astonished.

What Bing-er did seemed to be a Cage Phase skill!

She actually turned an area into a cage.

That rang up a question in Ye Xiao's mind... [How did she do it?]

Xuan Bing was nervous, "I... I saw that... the man turned into a cloud of fog and then sometimes he became a human shape... It must be difficult to catch him... I thought for a while... and then came up with this idea..."

Ye Xiao was interested, "What idea?"

"I thought..." Xuan Bing said, "I thought that I could keep the fog in a certain area when he had become a cloud of fog. I could capture the man by doing this!"

Ye Xiao was speechless.

"Well, that's good... How did you keep the fog then?" He had to ask it plainly.

Xuan Bing said, "It would be difficult to catch him if he kept scattering everywhere, but... If I can turn a certain area into a bottle..." She blinked and smiled, "If I can keep all the fog and the air inside the bottle... I catch him, don't I?"

"So you make a bottle?" Ye Xiao was shocked. At this moment, his soul was shocked, and he was enlightened!

"That's right. Ice comes from water, and it is colder than water. Cloud and fog are from water. I think... Since a bottle can keep water, it can also keep fog." Xuan Bing said, "As long as I use ice to make a bottle to keep the fog inside when he becomes a cloud of fog... I tried to make an ice bottle... and I did catch him."

Ye Xiao was confused.

[Make a bottle...]

[Make a bottle...]

He felt that he had grabbed the key to it. If he could understand all of it, he might be able to boost his Cage Phase to the top, even above the top!

[To make a bottle... Bing-er uses ice to make the bottle. What about me? What would I do...] Ye Xiao was lost in thoughts.

Xuan Bing gently tapped her own chest. She almost got herself exposed...

She hurriedly put the ice ball in Ye Xiao's hands and said, "This is it..."

Before she finished, something happened again. In the sky, a sound of cracking rang up as if something was broken.

A huge black hand which was darker than the night suddenly reached out from nowhere. It grabbed the ball and took it away from Xuan Bing.

It was surprising, and it happened so fast that Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing couldn't have time to react.

The ice ball was taken away before they realized it.

Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing, two of the most influential figures in the world, yet they got the ice ball taken away from their hands. Somebody just took away such an important thing from their hands!

It was so easy and casual.

The black hand must be horribly powerful!

- Pang! -

Xuan Bing was anxious, so she made a full-power palm hit out without hesitation.

Ye Xiao made an angry shout and stabbed out his Stars Sword like it was a raging dragon!

The sword move looked plain, but it contained the extreme power of the Stars Sword under the push of Ye Xiao's extreme anger. That moment, the sky seemed to be full of falling stars!

The starlights shined and lit up the sky.

The night was colorful like a dream.

The big black hand apparently only aimed at rescuing the man, so as it grabbed the ice ball, it retreated fast. However, Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing's attacks were fast enough to catch up with the hand. In fact, they were even faster. If the hand kept moving aside, it would get stricken by the attacks. Whoever the hand belonged to, it must be a knowledgeable man. Suddenly, a glaring light shined up, and the ice ball was thrown up high. After that, two palm hits were striking out!

- Boom! - Xuan Bing staggered back about ten meters while Ye Xiao took three steps back with an exclamation.

The big hand didn't remain unharmed though. The front part of the hand was hit and then vanished.

However, higher in the sky, another big hand showed up and caught the flying ice ball. When it got the ball, it squeezed slightly.

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Chapter 1396: Horrible Superior Cultivator

- Pah! - With the cracking sound, the masterpiece of Xuan Bing's Cage Phase was broken. A dark cloud of smoke flew out. The smoke shook in the sky and then turned into a slim body. As the Red in the Sky just returned to a human shape, he started to spit out blood, staggering in the sky.

It felt like his chest was empty because of the blasts.

His face was pale as a dead man. Without saying a word, it became a long dark rainbow and fled away.

"Don't you leave!" Ye Xiao moved his Stars Sword again and jumped up high with the sword in hand. He and the sword became an over ten meters wide, over a hundred meters long glaring sword light, shooting over to chase after the enemy.

A cloud of mysterious purple qi was encircling the sword light. At this moment, Ye Xiao looked powerful like he was going to swallow the entire world.

The big hand fiercely slapped down to stop him!

However, Ye Xiao actually waited for the hand's arrival! His sword light made a sharp turn and then rushed up fiercely.

At the same time, Xuan Bing had reached the big hand in a short time with her long white clothes floating in the air. She held the sword in one hand and quickly slashed it down!

The attacks of Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing both contained the power of their mind power!

With an explosion sound, the dark smoke was scattered away. The big hand was blasted down by Ye Xiao's sword lights. More than that, Xuan Bing had cut the entire hand off the arm.

Xuan Bing didn't stop after the successful slash. Without hesitation, she took a turn and made a wave of cracking sounds, making another 'bottle' in the sky.

This time, she was going to lock the dark smoke of the big hand into the cage.

Suddenly, the sound of somebody groaning sounded somewhere in the sky. After that, the sky became clear, and the stars and moon were bright again.

Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing landed on the floor and looked at each other.

They were surprised and frightened that there was such a mysteriously powerful cultivator in the world.

Whoever manipulated the black hand must be an ultimate super cultivator, who was controlling the hand to fight the battle by a string of spiritual mind from somewhere far away.

Whoever it was, he tore through a long distance of space and appeared in this place, and then saved the Red in the Sky in Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing's hands!

The two of them had cut off one black hand of the enemy, but they were not sure how much it injured the enemy!

It was a short fight, but Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing were heavy-laden after it.

They both had the same thought, [Compared to the owner of the big black hand, Wu Fa seems to be only an ordinary man.]

[Who is it?]

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On the top of a sharp mountain which was far away.

A dark shadow which was tall and standing straight up suddenly bowed down and started shaking. He groaned, and blood came out the corner of his mouth.

He was so powerful that nobody in the world could defeat him, but this time, he fought a battle that was too far away. He didn't fight the best he could because he only participated in the battle with a string of his spiritual mind.

However, most unexpectedly, the opponents were two super cultivators! Two of the best cultivators in the world!

[No... That woman, Ye Xiao's concubine... She has the power that is not below my level and is able to lead her to the limit of this world. Since when did the world have another peerless cultivator?]

[If I didn't seize a perfect timing to make a move when Ye Xiao was lost in thoughts and the woman was distracted, I might not be able to save the Red in the Sky!]

[And the last strike... The two of them actually used their spiritual mind to enhance their attacks at the same time. When my spiritual power retreated, their mind power actually followed and hit me.]

He nearly got deadly injured.

However, he was still affected and having a headache.

"Impressive!"

He murmured.

When he said impressive, he really meant it. What he said wasn't against his thought.

The dark fog around his face was getting denser and thicker. After a while, it finally returned to normal. In his hand, there was a white jade stone in a strange shape, but it had become a powder.

"One of the spiritual minds was great and potential. It must belong to Ye Xiao. How come in his spiritual mind, there is this marvelous power which seemed to reach the greatness in cultivation? The other spiritual mind was more powerful and cold. Who is she? She is also beyond Dao Origin Stage...

"It seems I did win the battle, but none of them was hurt. Instead, I was affected... almost got myself severely injured...

"They are so far away, yet their spiritual mind could actually follow mine to come. These two people are no ordinary cultivators. They will be a big threat to me..."

He made a long sigh, "It seems Red has kicked on an iron board... That had him suffer enough...

"Facing two cultivators like those, he deserves what he suffered."

He was lost in thoughts.

"The most important thing is... Who is that woman?" He was utterly confused, "Ye Xiao's concubine... She shouldn't be an important figure... But her cultivation... She is much higher than Xiao Monarch... Impressive..."

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On the mountain.

The fight didn't last long, but it ruined a large space among the mountains.

People down on the ground only heard waves of explosion sounds. After a while, they saw Ye Xiao and Xuan Bing walking down together. After being numb for a while, the crowd burst into cheering.

[In a fight like that, Xiao Monarch had to protect his concubine while fighting the battle, but he eventually won it! How incredibly powerful!]

In fact, the fight had been going for only tens of seconds, no longer than a hundred seconds. However, during such a short time, bolts of lightning dazzled in the sky and thunders cracked everywhere. The sky turned dark all of a sudden, and then stars shined upon the mountains...

With a big breaking sound of an explosion, a mountain was broken into pieces. Everything just disappeared and returned to peace.

Nobody had ever seen, not even heard, about a battle like that. Even a tale wouldn't describe a fight like that. Many of the people even guessed that many some gods were fighting beyond the mountains.

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Chapter 1397: Spiritual Mind in Cage Phase

Before the fight was finished, one of the people, who was perhaps a high-level Dao Origin Stage cultivator, wanted to go up and watch the fight. If that were a fight of some gods, he wouldn't want to miss the chance to learn whatever he could learn by observing it...

As one man moved, the others followed. A group of people started to run up to the top of the mountain...

It was good to have a dream, but the reality was always cruel. When they went to the half height of the mountain, they couldn't move any further ahead. Moreover, some of them felt like their spiritual minds were punctured by millions of needles. They nearly went crazy because of the unendurable pain, so they immediately moved back down the hill...

However, when they just started moving down, the upper half of the mountain was smashed.

Rocks and dust were everywhere, burying them down. They tried so hard to get out one by one, having their faces dusty. Even their ears and noses had dust inside. That was awkward.

What happened was world-shocking.

When Ye Xiao came down, they realized that it was all because of Ye Xiao fighting against some powerful enemy up there!

"Lord Monarch, may I ask what has happened?" Ge Zhenfeng anxiously asked.

The older one was, the foxy he became. Ge Zhenfeng wouldn't ask it too frankly, because he didn't want to sound like questioning Ye Xiao. May I ask... That was a good phrase to show respect.

"A weird man in black clothes assaulted all of a sudden..." Ye Xiao briefly explained what had happened, but didn't tell anyone about the House of Chaotic Storms. After that, he frowned and spoke in a low voice, "The big black hand was unbelievably powerful... It was rare..."

The others all took a cold breath.

According to what Ye Xiao just told them, the mysterious man who showed up at the end of the fight was unpredictably powerful. Besides, he was in somewhere nobody knew how far away. Only to manipulate a big hand by a string of spiritual mind, that man actually fought that drastically against Xiao Monarch...

If that man showed up in person... How horrible would that be?

Was Xiao Monarch powerful enough to win the fight?

"I guess... That big hand belongs to the manipulator of the coming calamity in Qing-Yun Realm." Ye Xiao took a deep breath, "Apparently, he is losing patience..."

"A war is coming."

Ye Xiao felt heavy in the heart.

The others weren't sure if Ye Xiao could defeat that mysterious person. In fact, Ye Xiao also had no idea if he could win the fight if he had to face the mysterious person in the battle.

It didn't seem to turn out promising.

If only Li Wuliang, Jun Yinglian, Yue Shuang, Yue Han, and the others joined him in the fight...

However, even so, it was only possible to defeat the enemy. Killing that man was impossible.

That man was very possibly at the peak of the cultivation system in Qing-Yun Realm, breaking the limitation.

Golden Ball!

A cultivator in Golden Ball level could travel the space in spiritual mind. The spiritual mind was as powerful as himself in person. It was the ultimate level in the world, a position where the man had set one foot up into the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

Even if Ye Xiao could destroy that man's body, the man wasn't dead. As long as that man had a speck of spiritual mind alive, he could return from death very soon.

A man like that was a myth to the world. He was immortal if he wanted!

Ye Xiao said something to comfort the others and then took Xuan Bing back to the camp.

The truth was, his console didn't work for the people, so he decided to stop. A strong wind proved the strong grass, while the strong flame tested the true gold. If somebody betrayed him because of the bad situation, he could see who were honest, while the others were on the fence!

Ye Xiao knew that people wouldn't like him, and he didn't force them, because he wasn't as likable as a Yin Yang Fruit!

"Bing-er, show me that bottle you make." Ye Xiao said.

Bing-er turned over her hand, and a piece of crystal thing appeared in her hand.

The crystal was made from the purest essence of cold qi. The cold qi was within it, didn't leak out a bit.

Inside the crystal, there was a little cloud of dark fog moving around inside.

The big black hand that was chopped off by Xuan Bing and Ye Xiao became that little thing inside the ice ball!

When Ye Xiao held the crystal in his hand, he could feel the dark thing struggling, trying to break out and flee.

The dark thing wasn't doing it for futility. The crystal was weakened bit by bit. It was still able to restrain the dark fog for some time, but it was getting worse. If the dark qi inside kept crashing the crystal, it would be broken soon.

Once the crystal ball was cracked, the dark fog would be free and return to its owner.

Ye Xiao frowned.

Xuan Bing didn't know anything to do either.

This was the best she could do at the moment. To enhance the crystal, she would have to break the crystal ball into pieces firsts and then sealed the dark fog inside again. If she only poured more cold qi inside the ice ball, it wouldn't help.

For the current situation, if the crystal were broken, before she had time to seal the dark smoke, the smoke would fly away immediately.

"Who was it? This thing is like an undying worm... Incredible..." Ye Xiao took a cold breath.

It was just a small piece of the man's spiritual mind, yet it actually remained active after being chopped off for a long time!

The power of that man was shocking to all cultivators in the world!

"How to thoroughly destroy this thing..." Looking at the dark qi inside the crystal, Ye Xiao frowned and felt helpless.

Xuan Bing leaned over on Ye Xiao, lost in thoughts too.

"Actually... Perhaps we can just break the space..." Suddenly, Xuan Bing slipped out the words.

"Break the space?" Ye Xiao's eyes lit up.

"Yes. The dark thing inside the crystal is a part of the space at some point. If we can spatially break the crystal, which means we deconstruct the space, and the dark thing will be destroyed along with space..."

Xuan Bing sounded confident, "However, I just don't have the capability to deconstruct space yet..."

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Chapter 1398: Erhuo's Credi

Ye Xiao rolled his eyes up and clicked on Xuan Bing's head with a finger tap, smilingly said, "You can't. Neither can I... Even I can't do such thing... Your imagination seems to run riot, but you are right. It is a shame we don't have the capability."

Xuan Bing held her head and twisted her lips, "You bullied me, master!"

Ye Xiao laughed.

Xuan Bing didn't know why... but when she was with Ye Xiao, her aura of a supreme cultivator was completely gone. She was just an ordinary girl... A woman who relied on a man.

That was all!

It seemed her time of a young girl that she had missed in her life was back to her with Ye Xiao's company.

The most annoying thing was that she didn't feel wrong about it at all. She was totally willing to be so.

She felt happy, relieved physically and mentally.

What filled in her heart was the most enjoyable pleasure.

"Deconstruct the space. Well, it is easy to say... Space is everything. Space means the world. It was so difficult to tear space apart, not to mention deconstructing it. Tearing space means tearing the world..."
Ye Xiao, "That's tough..."

"We can shuttle through space... No, what we do, that is not shuttling through space." Ye Xiao sighed and said, "We are... We are merely faster than normal people. It is difficult to shuttle through space, isn't it?"

Xuan Bing nodded to agree.

She thought, [Shuttling through space... is to tear a fissure in space between the starting point and the destination. As long as the physical body could endure the avulsion, one can go between two places instantly.]

[Tearing space is actually easier than shuttling through space... Master, you are wrong.]

[Deconstructing space will cause an impact on the whole space. It microscopically deconstructs something but causes a macroscopical transformation. That is the extreme form of a spatial attack!]

She knew a lot, but she didn't dare to say a word about it.

- Pang, pang... -

The cold crystal in Ye Xiao's hand was making striking sounds. It was going to break.

They had no idea what to do.

Coincidentally, at that moment...

"Meow?"

The meow of a cat sounded with confusion.

A little white cat which was only as big as a fist abruptly showed up on the table. Staring at the crystal thing in Ye Xiao's hand with its big cute eyes, shaking its whiskers, it suddenly got shocked and shouted in high spirit, "Meow!"

Erhuo was excited.

It had been taking a nap in the Boundless Space after being disappointed by not absorbing any energy from the fruit. However, after that, it felt that something delicious was outside the Space.

It surely wouldn't hesitate to get out and search for it. After searching for a while, it disappointedly didn't find anything, so it was ready to go back to the Space. That was when it noticed the crystal ball in Ye Xiao's hand...

[Wait!]

[Isn't that a treasure?]

Its eyes couldn't stop staring at it.

Erhuo looked at Ye Xiao like it was begging. Ye Xiao was enlightened. It reminded him of something that had happened in the past. He put the crystal thing on the table and said, "This thing... Can you do something about it?"

Erhuo proudly raised up its head, "Meow? Meow meow! Meow meow meow? Meow..."

'What do you mean can you do something about it? You actually think I can not! What do you think I can't do?'

'Fine. You are giving me this treasured thing so I will go easy with you... Do not say this again...'

It was Xuan Bing's first time to see Erhuo. Well, Bing-er had seen it, and she thought it was just a normal cat. Now, she was Xuan Bing, so she recognized the special animal at first sight... It was definitely not a normal cat.

Her eyes lit up, and she said, "What an adorable cat!"

When she reached out a hand to touch it, ready to hold it in her arms, Erhuo disdainfully tapped her hand away, groaning deep in its throat.

'Not now! Wait if you want a hug hug! I am busy here... You little girl, get away. Don't disturb me... What? You are worse than before now, aren't you? Keep your eyes up!'

The next moment, the crystal ball finally broke. - Pah! -

A cloud of dark qi rushed out, and Erhuo was thrilled. It shouted, "Meow!"

Then it jumped up and opened the mouth, swallowing the dark qi into its belly entirely.

Erhuo was just as domineering as when it swallowed the Red and White Clouds!

As it swallowed the dark qi, it hurriedly shut the mouth tight, took a few steps like dragon's walk, and then jumped into Ye Xiao's arms, proudly closed its eyes.

"Meow."

What it meant was obvious...'I have eaten something great. It takes time to digest. Hold me for a while. I accept your embrace. It is your honor, not any other's...'

Then it comfortably closed its eyes.

Ye Xiao knew what would happen, but he was still surprised. He still couldn't believe what just happened.

He had been troubled for a long time by the problem, yet Erhuo just solved it. Even though it should be able to deal with it, wasn't it too easy? Opening a mouth, swallowing it, taking a breath... and that was it!

Erhuo had swallowed all those Red and White Clouds indeed, but those clouds had been restrained in that place for years. Compared to the clouds, the dark qi was a living spiritual mind! Wasn't it unbelievable to just swallow it so casually?

That was...

Xuan Bing's eyes lit up. As she looked at Erhuo, she liked it more now.

[I was, well, Bing-er was ignorant! This cat is so extraordinary!]

[When it first showed up... It moved so fast. I couldn't even catch it, or even feel it. That is what makes it so extraordinary!]

[Look what it has done just now! It casually swallowed the dark qi in full! Ye Xiao and I could think of no ways to control that dark thing! The cat just swallowed it!]

[The cat ate it like it was some food of highly nutritious value!]

[How is an ordinary cat able to do such thing?]

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Chapter 1399: Fury!

At the moment, Xuan Bing saw the cat lying in Ye Xiao's arms adorably. It just slept there. She felt it pleasing and attractive!

She couldn't help liking it more and more.

It made sense that Xuan Bing liked it so much. Erhuo was lovely indeed. It had smooth white fur without a single roan hair. The fine hairs were so delicate as if they could all shine with gloss. It was as tender as it looked. Once she touched it, she wouldn't want to put it down...

It just lied in Ye Xiao's arms, snoozing and snoring. From time to time, it shook the ears. Its tail was curled up and put under its buns. It was like a fluffy white ball.

"It is so beautiful!"

Xuan Bing had devoted her whole life to cultivation. Unlike other women, she didn't like animals that much. She didn't like spiritual beasts. For her, spiritual beasts were only some energy cores, which were meaningless.

However, Erhuo got her.

"Master... Can I hug it?" Xuan Bing cautiously asked.

If Ye Xiao refused, she wouldn't think much except feel sorry. After all, as she could think of, it was reasonable that Ye Xiao cared for it particularly...

However, men and women had different views. At least for Ye Xiao, Erhuo was definitely less important than Bing-er!

He smiled, "Of course! My cat should be in the arms of my woman... We are going to stay together for a long time. If you can't hug it, what are we going to do?"

Erhuo was sleeping, and Ye Xiao had sold it.

Xuan Bing was delighted, but then she hesitated. "Really? Can I? It won't get mad, will it?"

Ye Xiao stared at her, "Mad? I dare it! It is a great fortune for Erhuo that a beautiful lady likes to hold it. It won't be a problem!"

Xuan Bing was even more delighted. She couldn't wait to hold it immediately.

"Not now though." Ye Xiao stopped her, "It just ate that black thing. I think we should better give it some time to digest the energy before we disturb it... You can understand me..."

Xuan Bing obediently nodded, but she looked pretty difficult to hold the thirst for the ug.

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Somewhere fairly far away from Ye Xiao...

A man in black clothes was encircled by a bunch of other men in black. He was giving a talk to the group. He had been talking and talking, but suddenly, he jumped up with an exclamation, holding his head. At the same time, blood ran out from his nose, eyes, mouth, and ears. After a while, he made a long groaning shout again!

In the shout, he expressed desperation and fury.

Many cultivators who were in low cultivation levels were around that place. When the man gave that angry shout, the power wave of the shout had put many of those cultivators in unconsciousness, even killed hundreds of them!

How come a shout could be that powerful?

It was as incredible as killing by a breath. What happened was just like a tale!

All the other men in black clothes were shocked.

When the man who seemed to be the leader gave that painful but powerful shout, he revealed his face. He turned out to be an old man who had a slim body. At the moment, his face was painfully twisted, bleeding in the eyes, nose, mouth, and ears. He was gritting his teeth really hard, enduring the sore pain which nobody could have imagined...

After a while, the old man seemed to feel better. He took a deep breath and loosened the body. Then he sat down on the floor, which made him look indecent. He was gasping and sweating. All his black clothes were soaked wet by the sweat.

After a while, he shouted in fury and surprise, "Who was it?"

"Who ate my spiritual mind?"

"Who the hell was it?"

The shout sounded fierce and cruel as if the old man was going to destroy the world.

The other men in black clothes did get hurt by the shout, but they were shaking in fear.

Their eyes all looked frightened.

[Master is always calm and steady. Nobody knows how he feels. If it isn't too much loss he has suffered, he wouldn't be mad like this. Obviously, something serious happened!]

[Besides... What did master just say? His spiritual mind was swallowed?]

[But... But who on earth has the ability to do that?]

[Who can possibly swallow master's spiritual mind? After all, his power is heaven-piercing high...]

After a while, the old man finally calmed down. His dark eyes looked more scary, full of the color of blood-thirst.

"Ye Xiao!"

The old man in black clothes gritted his teeth and spoke through the teeth.

Then he suddenly shouted furiously again, "The bastard has gone too far! He is pushing the edge! Now as he has done this to me, nobody can blame me for doing anything worse to him. Blood Soul Hall, now, go now! Destroy Cold Moon Palace immediately!"

"Master!" The others were all shocked.

Cold Moon Palace was one of the seven great sects in the world after all, which was full of superior cultivators.

Although it wouldn't be too difficult to destroy the entire Cold Moon Palace, they still thought it was better to do things with a rational plan. Before this, they had done quite a few hard battles to collect energy for the altar. They did gain pretty much as they expected but also lost a lot. If they started a battle against Cold Moon Palace at the moment, it would be the worst battle, which would make them lose quite a lot more.

"Master, shouldn't we give it a second thought?" A man wearing a mask slowly spoke in a soft voice, "This is not the best time to deal with Cold Moon Palace."

"What?" The master they showed respect for humphed fiercely. Apparently, he wasn't happy for what the man in mask said, but he didn't rage up immediately. It seemed the masked man was in an important position. Even though the master was mad, he still kept some respect for the masked man.

"Cold Moon Palace means a lot for Xiao Monarch because he joined them when he first arrived. It is undoubted." The masked man with a soft voice slowly spoke, "Xiao Monarch is trying to unite the forces in the entire world. Almost all the famous cultivators are recruited. They are a strong power that we can not neglect..."

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Chapter 1400: Who Did It?

"If we attacked the Cold Moon Palace now, we will have to suffer a great loss. More than that, we may have to fight the final war earlier, which means we will have to face Xiao Monarch, Fierce Blade, Xuan

Bing, Jun Yinglian, the Moon Queen... These are all super cultivators. Our second altar isn't finished yet. We don't have advantages in this fight. At least we don't have absolute advantages...

"Therefore, it is a bad idea to attack Cold Moon Palace now!"

The man slowly finished talking and then stayed quiet.

"Humph!" The master fiercely took a breath and shouted in anger, "I told you to do it faster! Faster! Yet we actually haven't finished the second altar now... What the hell do you think you are doing?"

The master wasn't irrational anymore but was still furious.

He believed Ye Xiao must have something to do with his spiritual mind being swallowed.

If he could catch Ye Xiao, he would use whatever he could, including the most valuable medicines, to dig out the truth about his spiritual mind being swallowed, no matter how long it would take.

At the moment, he was terrified.

If somebody could swallow his spiritual mind that he had sent out, he could also swallow the spiritual mind in himself with some unique technique.

He was anxious while thinking about it.

He wished he could go catch Ye Xiao and his people now! To tie them up!

Erhuo might say, "Pah, unique technique? He is overestimating himself too much! If I am at my prime time, do you think I would bother swallowing the useless spiritual mind of him? When a dragon shoals, shrimps disdain it. When a tiger come down to the lower land, dogs overlook it... The heaven fools me. This is wrong. Am I actually sorehead like this? Gods must be jealous of me!"

At that moment...

"Report!"

As the voice sounded, the messenger was still over a thousand meters away.

"What is it?" The master furiously shouted.

Apparently, he was still angry. If the messenger didn't report any useful information, the master might get mad at him!

"Report... Shadow is back..." The messenger was shocked and then stammered the words.

"Oh, is he? Send him in!" The master took a deep breath, held down the anger, and slowly calmed down.

Except for the master, Ye Xiao, and Xuan Bing, the Shadow was the only one who participated in the whole thing. Maybe he had more useful information...

After a while...

All the men in black clothes in the room were shocked.

When the door was opened, the Shadow staggered into the room step by step. He moved so slowly that he looked like a dying old man. No living qi could be sensed in him.

His face was pale, and skinny like a skeleton. His right chest was sunk down entirely. The bones inside his chest must be mostly broken.

His one leg was dragging on the floor, which was twisted. The Jing and Mai inside must be cut off. The bones inside must be fractured. Countless sword wounds were all over his body. He was full of injuries!

A cultivator that had reached the level as a Shadow usually wouldn't get so severely damaged. Even though it might be difficult to recover fast, it wouldn't be this bad. In fact, those sword wounds were what hurt him so bad.

The wounds looked normal, but the Shadow's dark qi unexpectedly couldn't heal the wounds.

Some mysterious purple qi was twining on the wounds. It kept the dark qi from healing the wounds.

"Shhh!"

Whoever saw this all took a cold breath.

The Shadow wasn't stronger than all the others, but he was absolutely no weaker than any other, which meant he was stronger than most of them. Even he got hurt so hard, the others would never have ended up any better.

"Shadow, how are you?" The master was surprised too. "Can you still hang on?"

The Shadow was the Red in the Sky, who had a tough fight against Ye Xiao not long earlier.

"I can hold it for a while..." The Red in the Sky gasped and said, "I didn't deal with the wounds. I just came back as soon as I could... I could have done something about the wounds and eased the pain... but I didn't, because I want to show these to you, master... This..."

He took a deep breath and continued, "The martial art that he used against me... The energy in his sword... I have no idea what martial art it is... but it truly restrains my martial art..."

"I can feel it... The purple energy is breaking my cultivation... It seems to be a bane to me."

He gritted the teeth and said, "I have recollected everything I know, including the martial arts from the long-lost legends, that martial art is none of anything I can think of. I believe this martial art is the reason why Xiao Monarch could defeat Wu Fa and Wu Tian. The martial art made him who he is..."

The others were all shocked.

[Restraint? Nothing you can think of?]

The Red in the Sky was so severely injured so the others wouldn't doubt what he said about the restraint. It was also a surprise that he didn't know what martial art it was because he was such an acknowledgeable man!

The master slowly walked over and put one hand on the Shadow's right chest. He closed his eyes and suddenly got something, "In your body, there are two special energies... One is from the sword wounds

that you are suffering. However, the sword wounds were only injuries on the physical body. What hurt you the worst is the extremely cold energy. It is incredibly murderous. It seems to be Ling Xiao Ice Art of Misty Cloud Palace, but also seems to be the martial art of Ice Cloud Palace... I think it is the martial art of one of the three great palaces. However, it is much better than the prime martial arts of the three palaces. I am pretty sure it is related to the three palaces though. I can be sure..."

He thought for a while and said in confusion, "In fact, the best parts of the three prime martial arts together may achieve the same power... But who is the woman? How did she get that?"

"It is... Xiao Monarch's concubine..." When the Red in the Sky said so, he was so ashamed that he almost wanted to put his own head into his pants.