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Chapter 1451: Today is the Day to Ascend

For Ye Xiao, the Human Realm Upon Heavens was essentially different from the Qing-Yun Realm. Qing-Yun Realm was his hometown, his motherland. When he ascended to the Qing-Yun Realm, he was just going home. However, this time as he was going to ascend to the Human Realm Upon Heavens, he was going to somewhere totally strange. Everything was new!

More importantly, he wondered if his brothers would still be alive when he returned from the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

Ye Xiao's heart was full of thoughts.

After a long time, he made a sigh, quietly walked to Lan Langlang and Zuo Wuji. The two guys were drunk and fell asleep, but they didn't stop murmuring something. It was difficult to tell what they were talking though.

Ye Xiao turned over one hand and took out a few dan beads. He fed each of the two brothers some dan beads.

"Brother, I truly hope that we can meet again someday, and we can drink like this wonderful night again."

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The days in the Land of Han-Yang had gone fast. It seemed to take only a few blinks, and over ten days had passed.

In the days back in this world, Ye Xiao had been hanging around with the two brothers; drinking liquors, making bets, listening to some plays, wandering around the gardens, chasing some dogs, and playing the rooster games... They had done everything the young lords would do in the world. They went high profile on it!

After the days Ye Xiao had spent back in this world, the King of the Kingdom of Chen had fallen into troubles. The royal court just couldn't run without Zuo Wuji, but Zuo Wuji simply told the King he was sick. He turned down all the jobs the King needed him to do. Well, when one pretended to be sick, one should act like a man who was sick, but no, Zuo Wuji wouldn't do it. Everybody knew that he spent all the days with a young man with a pretty face, and Great General Lan was with him too. It seemed there was nothing else mattered for these two important figures.

Officials in the Kingdom of Chen were all surprised.

"What is wrong? Does that young man really have such kind of charm? Does he truly have conquered the two most important men in court?" Sometimes there was a story about the three of them. It said that Zuo Wuji and Lan Langlang always fought each other for the pretty young man, and the fight was terrible. However, as long as the pretty young man said something to calm them down, the fight would be ceased... It was such an unbelievable scene...

"Who is that pretty young man? How come he has such capability? Did he save the Land of Han-Yang or what? How come the two most important figures in the kingdom would be so obedient to him? This is unbelievably incredible!"

The entire kingdom knew that the man between Zuo Wuij and Lan Langlang was a pretty young man. Ye Xiao had disguised himself with the appearance of a young man. Zuo Wuji and Lan Langlang could see his real face, but the others only saw him as a young man with a pretty face!

Ye Xiao did care a lot about his own ugly face in the previous life. He didn't want to be extraordinarily handsome, but he had to be good looking. Whenever he disguised himself, he had to be a good looking guy. After he left the Land of Han-Yang, the story of a pretty young man conquering the two most important men in the Kingdom of Chen was left behind. The story went so far and it kept being told in the history!

It was said whenever there were people from other countries visited Zuo Wuji and Lan Langlang, they would always send them some beautiful young men other than beautiful girls. They had obviously done some research on how to please the two people, but whenever those people did, Zuo Wuji and Lan Langlang would beat them out of their houses!

As the story went further, people started to say that the pretty young man was irreplaceable in Zuo Wuij and Lan Langlang's hearts. They believed that the pretty young man must be the most beautiful man in history!

There were lots of rumors after Ye Xiao left! There is no point to keep telling them now!

Finally, one day, there seemed to be thunderclaps beyond the clouds in the sky...

"I think we are going to get the heavenly trial too." Xuan Bing and Jun Yinglian sensitively looked at Ye Xiao, and said, "I guess it is our destiny to go up with you."

Ye Xiao nodded, held the two ladies' waists, and said, "We will stay together forever!"

"We will! For the rest of our lives, we will not be apart!"

The two ladies' eyes shined, and they spoke like making vows.

The sign of a heavenly trial appeared, so they couldn't stay in the Land of Han-Yang anymore. The heavenly trial thunders of the Dao Origin Stage could easily destroy the entire Land of Han-Yang. In fact, the appearance of the great thunders could have pushed the Land of Han-Yang to the dead end. That was not a joke.

Ye Xiao had to say goodbye to the two brothers and returned to the Qing-Yun Realm with the two ladies.

Three days after, the significant thunders appeared in the world again, and it shocked the realm!

Two heavenly trials happened at the same time, which meant it was epic. This must be even more powerful than the heavenly trial thunders on Ye Xiao. When the thunders were still accumulating beyond the clouds, the entire Qing-Yun Realm was shaking already.

Ye Xiao didn't tell anybody about his return to the Qing-Yun Realm. He was guarding the two ladies for the heavenly trials that they were about to get through on top of the snow mountain.

It was a secret to the rest of the world.

Even Ye Xiao didn't foresee the incredible power of the double heavenly trial thunders!

When the cultivators in the Qing-Yun Realm sensed the enormous power from up beyond the sky, they all got astonished. Everybody just stopped and stood silently.

Their faces all looked sincere, and they were praying.

They prayed to the heavens. They hoped whoever was going to get through the trial would get pass it successfully and ascend to the upper realm.

The heavenly trials lasted for one whole day.

When it was done, a colorful rainbow appeared in the sky. It started to rain in golden lights. Peaceful qi refilled the world. Cultivators who witnessed the success all cheered in joy.

"It is done! They did it!"

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Ye Xiao was the only one who felt it wrong. In fact, he just felt weird.

He had a simple reason to feel weird about it. He found that the heavenly trials on the two ladies were totally different from the one on himself. In fact, the trial that the two ladies had received was totally a different trial from Ye Xiao's.

The heavenly trial thunders that had struck on the two ladies were unbelievably powerful.

Ye Xiao had been through the trial before, so he clearly knew what it was like. The heavenly trial thunders on him earlier were not destructive at all. In fact, it was more like some power of recovery. The thunders kept fixing things while it was destroying. It fixed more than it destroyed. However, the heavenly trial thunders on Xuan Bing and Jun Yinglian were dangerous. It nearly killed the two ladies.

When the double heavenly trial thunders struck down, the powerful strike Jun Yinglian suffered was twice as powerful as Xuan Bing did!

Three people had three different trials. Ye Xiao was surprised and terrified at the same time.

The two ladies' bodies were destroyed slowly by the thunders but then recovered fast afterwards. Ye Xiao had seen them recovering, but he just couldn't stop feeling terrified by the scene of them being destroyed.

Bing'er was doing better than Jun Yinglian. When Jun Yinglian got through the thunders, Ye Xiao was scared to death. It was totally fatal... During the trial, Ye Xiao had thought of rushing over to save her several times.

Finally, when the heavenly trial was done, Ye Xiao rushed to Jun Yinglian in haste. When he held the lady in his arms tight, he felt like he had lost her to death just then.

Jun Yinglian stayed on Ye Xiao's warm chest, and her heart was filled with satisfaction.

The heavenly trial thunders had put her to some extreme suffering, and she still felt utterly painful everywhere, but at this moment, all that she could feel was the happiness in her heart!

Sky Ice Palace.

The crowd burst into cheers!

All the disciples of the Sky Ice Palace were laughing sincerely. What had been depressing them in their hearts was finally loosened, and they were so happy about it.

Jun Yinglian's spiritual mind arrived at the palace through thousands of mountains and rivers.

"I have been through the heavenly trial, and I will go up to the Human Realm Upon Heavens soon."

It was such great news for the Sky Ice Palace.

Ye Xiao was the big hero who defeated the demons in the war. It was not a surprise that he could survive the thunders and ascend to the upper realm, because he was good. The second cultivator who was able to ascend to the upper realm turned out to be the former prime master of the Sky Ice Palace, and it cheered up all the people in the palace!

Their prime master Jun Yinglian actually ascended to the upper realm earlier than the legendary cultivators such as Xuan Bing, Xue danru, Li Wuliang, and Han Bingxue. The news surely cheered the entire Sky Ice Palace up!

The Misty Cloud Palace got similar news too.

"I have been through the trial. Soon I will be gone for the upper realm."

The Misty Cloud Palace was also burst into cheers.

People in the Misty Cloud Palace all suspected that Xuan Bing and Bing'er were the same person, but there was no evidence for it after all. Now that their great elder had sent back the message with the good news, they all only felt inspired, confident, and happy. The Misty Cloud Palace was still the most powerful all-female sect in the Qing-Yun Realm! Nothing changed!

"Should we still wait?" Jun Yinglian looked at Ye Xiao."

Ye Xiao frowned.

If he had a choice, he surely would wait for Li Wuliang, Han Bingxue, and Xue Danru. It would be better if they all ascended together. However, he had a deep feeling in his head. It seemed there was a restraint on him from the greatness of the heavens. The restraint was on the three of them, and it was getting stronger and stronger. They might not be able to fight it any longer, so they didn't know whether they should stay or not now.

The three of them had already passed the limitation of cultivation in this world, and they had been through the trials, which meant they weren't supposed to exist in this world. They were not cultivators in this world anymore. If they forcibly stayed, they would definitely get punished by the greatness of heavens.

The divine punishment in the Qing-Yun Realm was much more severe than the Land of Han-Yang. The Land of Han-Yang was a low-level realm, after all, so the punishment was weak. In fact, powerful cultivators could even destroy the divine punishment in the low-level realm. The Qing-Yun Realm was a high-level realm. Once the divine punishment was made, even Ye Xiao couldn't easily resist it!

For now, because Ye Xiao cultivated a special martial art, he didn't feel the restraint of the heavens so strongly. However, Xuan Bing and Jun Yinglian were different. They were feeling harder and harder to stay. They even felt that the heavens were urging them with raging anger...

The feeling in their hearts made them feel like they were going to rush up to the highest point in the sky immediately. They also felt that... that if they stayed for a long time, they would get the extreme punishment...

It was a clear feeling, which was so real in cultivators' heads.

"Li Wuliang and Han Bingxue are able to break it through and draw down the heavenly trial thunders any time they want. Li Wuliang is waiting for Xue Danru to make the last step. Han Bingxue is staying with his families and making arrangement for them. They need more time. Ning Biluo and the other two guys are probably much slower than Xue Danru. I don't think we can all make it at the same time..."

Ye Xiao thought for a while and said, "It is always too late to plan because things change so fast. I think we should go first."

Ye Xiao made the decision, but the two ladies didn't respond to it immediately. Ye Xiao was shocked, and he stared at the two ladies, who both looked worried. It seemed they were troubled.

Ye Xiao was surprised, and he asked loudly, "What is wrong with you? Why do you both look worried so much? What is happening?"

"Xiao Xiao, I am afraid I can't go up to the Human Realm Upon Heavens with you. I have been thinking about it lately, and I think I have to return to the Sky Ice Palace and make the arrangement for my people. The Sky Ice Palace suddenly loses me, and it will be impacted. It is necessary to do precaution before I leave." Jun Yinglian thought for a while and said.

Ye Xiao was a bit upset when he heard what she said, even though deep in his heart, he knew that she was being reasonable. However, this was not the most disappointing thing for him yet...

"I need to head back as well. There are things I need to do before leaving..." Xuan Bing talked in a low voice.

"What? You? Bing'er, what are you talking about..." Ye Xiao was confused, and he said, "Lian Lian is the prime master of the Sky Ice Palace, so I believe she does need to go back and make some arrangements for her sect... But you... Bing'er, sometimes it is not a good idea to follow other's plan. What are you going to arrange after all? Oh, right... I always forgot to ask... What sect are you from?"

Before Xuan Bing answered, Jun Yinglian couldn't help laughing out, even though she was feeling sorry for leaving Ye Xiao alone.

"What an erhuo! He actually does not recognize her real identity! What an unbelievably stupid erhuo!"

"Damn it... Somebody used my name to call somebody else again. How many times do I have to say this? My name is a good name, which represents noble and elegant. How can anybody casually use my name to abuse others? Oh, this time she used my name to call my stupid moron master... Well, I have to admit that my name fits the stupid master perfectly!"

Xuan Bing had hesitated for a long time, but she decided not to hide it anymore. She bravely stared at Ye Xiao—meeting him an eye to eye. After a while, she clearly said, "Master, I am not only Bing'er but also Xuan Bing!"

After the heavenly trial, her soul power was perfectly stable.

Although she was still crazily in love with Ye Xiao, her heart had never been stronger.

She was no longer the lady who kept changing her personality from one to another, contradictory to herself.

When Ye Xiao heard what she said, he couldn't ease opening his eyes and mouth widely.

He looked at Bing'er and felt a little dizzy. No matter how powerful he was now in cultivation, he didn't seem to take this fact very well. Stammeringly, he said, "Xuan Bing? Are you saying that you are the prime great elder of the Misty Cloud Palace, the Great Elder Xuan Bing?"

Xuan Bing nodded and her face turned red because of bashfulness. She said, "Please, master, forgive me. I have been lying to you for a long time..."

Even though Bing'er was apologizing, Ye Xiao still hadn't accepted the truth yet.

'What the hell is going on?'

He kept staring at Bing'er, who was standing right in front of him, but he just couldn't imagine how this sweet girl could turn into the cold Elder Xuan Bing who was always wearing all black clothes.

'This... This... Is this... Am I in my dream?'

'Oh my god!'

Ye Xiao turned around and looked at Jun Yinglian, just like a desperate man trying anything that might help. However, Jun Yinglian just nodded to confirm what Xuan Bing said. She proved that Bing'er was telling the truth, and then bit her own lips, trying not to laugh it out.

"I... The reason I lied..." Xuan Bing explained everything from the beginning, and then said, "I just want to say... It doesn't matter who I am... Bing'er or Xuan Bing... They are both just my names... I am only myself..."

She bravely looked at Ye Xiao and said, "I am only your woman!"

After saying these words, she rose up slowly and flew backward, with her eyes staring at Ye Xiao sentimentally.

Along with the deep feeling inside her heart, there was also fear and struggle!

Ye Xiao saw the struggle and fear deep inside Xuan Bing's eyes, and he was shocked. He regained consciousness and shouted loudly to talk to Xuan Bing, who was flying away. "Yes, you are! I don't care what your name is! You are my woman! You are my Bing'er!"

"No matter where you are, you are my woman!"

He shouted, "You are my woman!"

Xuan Bing cracked a beautiful smile on her face. Her voice sounded in the wind. "Master, I will find you as soon as I can when we are up in the Human Realm Upon Heavens!"

There came the sound of breaking the air. With a soft and sweet smile on her face, Xuan Bing had already disappeared.

She was the prime elder of the Misty Cloud Palace after all. She could not just leave with Ye Xiao for the Human Realm Upon Heavens. She had to ascend in the Misty Cloud Palace to the Human Realm Upon Heavens when her disciples were seeing her off!

It was Xuan Bing's responsibility as the prime great elder of the Misty Cloud Palace!

It was something concerned about the future of the Misty Cloud Palace! They finally had someone who was going to be a goddess in the upper world!

The Misty Cloud Palace had to seize the honor.

Jun Yinglian was the same. She had to ascend in the Sky Ice Palace so that the honor could be kept to the sect.

Ye Xiao had to ascend in the Cold Moon Palace as well.

It was the last and the most important thing they could have left for their sects!

It was the great legacy they could leave for the sects!

"Bing'er is gone. I am off now." Jun Yinglian looked at Ye Xiao in the eyes with love.

"I was planning... I thought I would marry you in the Qing-Yun Realm. I thought I would give you a wedding that I have promised you." Ye Xiao seemed to be regretful, and he said, "What a pity. I guess we have to do it after ascending to the Human Realm Upon Heavens."

Jun Yinglian blushed, squinted at Ye Xiao with a smile, and said, "You wish! Do you think I would just easily marry you? Ye Xiao, when you conquer a land in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, you can ask to marry me! Hah hah hah..."

As she laughed, she slowly rose up in the air. Her eyes were full of emotions, and she said, "Ye Xiao, we will meet in the Human Realm Upon Heavens again! When we meet again, I will never leave your side until death parts us!"

Ye Xiao laughed loudly and said, "Great! We will meet again in the Human Realm Upon Heavens! Lian Lian, when I become a conqueror of a land up in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, I will announce to the world, and invite the entire world to our great wedding!"

"I will be waiting for that day..."

Jun Yinglian's voice had gone far, as well as herself.

The beautiful lady had gone!

Ye Xiao took a deep breath—looked at the sky with a determined look on his face, and then started to move toward the Cold Moon Palace at full speed.

The entire Qing-Yun Realm was boiling in fever!

The demons had been wiped out. The sects who fought for the union of all sects had been damaged severely in the war. Over seventy percent of the superior cultivators from all these sects were killed. However, now everybody alive could take a breath of relief.

As long as the demons were gone, and the sects remained, the heritage went on. The sects would rise again in the future. It was just a matter of time.

After that, something else had boiled up the entire Qing-Yun Realm in fever.

Three days after the double heavenly trial thunders appeared in the Qing-Yun Realm, something astonishing happened.

The honorable disciple of the Cold Moon Palace—Ye Chongxiao, known as the Xiao Monarch; Ye Xiao, ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens inside the Chongxiao Hall of the sect.

When he ascended, all clouds became colorful and the purple qi covered the sky and earth. A long heavenly bridge appeared in the sky like a great rainbow.

Xiao Monarch was moving up along the rainbow.

When he was on the halfway in the middle of the bridge, countless golden lotus flowers appeared in the sky, blossoming slowly. The entire Qing-Yun Realm was suddenly full of wonderful scent.

When Ye Xiao stepped on the heavenly bridge, he waved a hand in the sky. People saw it, but they didn't know why he did so. At first, they thought he was waving to the people down on the ground, but what happened afterward made them realize that he wasn't.

Suddenly, some cold lights appeared and shot fast into his hand from everywhere. A long and strange sword showed up in Ye Xiao's hand.

The sword in Ye Xiao's hand looked elegant. Normally, a long sword was in the color of iron steel; three point three feet long with the grip, a braid on the pommel, a cross-guard, the blade, the edge, and the point. A normal long sword should have all these parts.

However, the Xiao Monarch was holding a sword which was four feet long; glowing in purple light, with the grip, the blade, the edge, and the point, but there was no cross-guard or braid on the pommel.

The sword kept shining sharp and glaring lights as it appeared. It kept rotating in front of Xiao Monarch, making sharp sounds. The sword was naturally emitting the aura of a king.

Ye Xiao smiled and grabbed the sword tight in his hand. He laughed out loud and said, "My old friend! Just when I am leaving for the Human Realm Upon Heavens, you showed up again!"

Everybody was shocked when they recognized that sword.

The sword was apparently the famous unique weapon of the Xiao Monarch.

It was the Monarch's Sword!

This sword meant so much to Ye Xiao. His title, Xiao Monarch, the names of his fist techniques, palm techniques, sword techniques, movement techniques were all named after the sword!

As people were saying, when the three factions end the Xiao Monarch's life, the sword disappeared with him. Unexpectedly, this sword appeared again.

People were all shocked, but some started to think about the reason for its reappearance. When Ye Xiao waved his hand, he did it on purpose. When he was about to leave the world, he used his significant martial art to withdraw all the broken pieces of his great sword around the world. Only by casually waving his hand, he had repaired the broken Monarch's Sword and bring it with a glorious glow.

Maybe he didn't do it on purpose. He just happened to get the sword back when he was ascending. The sword had been broken, but it was still alive, so it automatically returned to Ye Xiao by itself with the power granted by the heavens. The sword must have been recovered by the power of the heavens, and it gained wisdom. This sword was now really a divine weapon with wisdom!

That was the wisdom of the Heavenly Dao!

Ye Xiao held the old sword in hand again, and he couldn't be more excited and happy. He flicked the blade with his finger, and then the Monarch's Sword started to make a wonderful sound.

- Clang! -

The Monarch Sword suddenly disappeared. In fact, it seemed the sword had become a part of Ye Xiao's body now!

Ye Xiao stood on the heavenly bridge, looked down upon the Qing-Yun Realm, and he was emotional at this moment.

He had been through so much in this world, and there were so many memories of the past in this realm... There was love, and there was hope...

Now he was finally leaving.

Did he have anything he wanted to do but hadn't done yet?

Was there any feeling deep in his heart that he couldn't express yet?

Did he have regret in his heart?

He took a long breath and murmured. "So many years I have been struggling and traveling in the Qing-Yun Realm. Now I am going to leave for the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Today I am rising up through

the clouds, towards the higher realm, and I hope the world beyond us won't be too cold for me to live in!"

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Chapter 1452: Those Ascending Had Gone

Ye Xiao laughed loudly, "I will wait for you!"

All of a sudden, his body became a light flow in seven colors.

It was like a long rainbow connecting the sky and the earth, rushing up to the highest sky upon the clouds.

In the Chongxiao Hall, which was named after Ye Chongxiao in memory of the ascended disciple of the Cold Moon Palace, became a sacred place for the Cold Moon Palace. Only the prime master and the great elders could get access to it, so it became a mysterious place in the story of the Cold Moon Palace in the end!

Everybody saw Ye Xiao disappear. When he disappeared as a colorful light flow, somebody started to call him loudly among the crowd. "Xiao Xiao!"

Yue Gongxue was full of tears, staring at the sky where there was no sign of Ye Xiao. She was shaking, and she felt like her heart was empty, that her heart was incomplete.

Ye Nantian was also watching the sky with deep emotion. He held his wife tight with his right arm, which seemed to give her strength and consoled her.

However, he himself couldn't stop the tears either. He just closed both eyes, and then tears ran out of the eyelids.

At this moment, all of a sudden, Yue Gongxue moaned in pain. Her face suddenly turned pale, and she said in a panic, "I... What is happening? Am I... Am I going to give birth now?"

Ye Nantian was frightened, and he held Yue Gongxue up in his arms in haste, ran into the main hall of the Cold Moon Palace immediately.

Lei Dadi and the others didn't dare to neglect the couple, so they started to make arrangements immediately. The Cold Moon Palace never forbade their disciple to get married and have children, so they did have somebody who was good at midwifery.

After a while, the sound of a child crying spread in the hall...

"It is a boy." A female disciple of the Cold Moon Palace who did midwifery for Yue Gongxue ran out to tell everybody the news.

Yue Gongxue had given birth to a boy, and the mother and son were both safe.

Yue Gongxue seemed to be exhausted, but she couldn't move away from her sight from the baby in her arms. Her eyes were full of love and tenderness.

"Let's give him a name." Yue Gongxue said.

Ye Nantian was solemn.

Thinking about names, he thought of Ye Xiao. There was a pain in his heart all of a sudden. As he looked at the innocent face of the baby, Ye Nantian said with a bitter voice, "Let's call him... Ye Chengen."

Yue Gongxue stayed silent for a while when she heard the name. It seemed she was upset for something. After a long sigh, she said, "Chengen... Remember the great favor... It is a good name... Chengen it is then."

"I hope he will never forget his big brother."

Yue Gongxue said.

In her eyes, there was regret. Tears suddenly ran down from her eyes and she said, "I am regretful. I regret. Why did we hesitate... Why would we do that... He is our son. What is the difference anyway? What is the difference? Why didn't I go and hug him tight... Why...?"

Ye Nantian made a long sad sigh.

Outside the room, Lei Dadi and the others all heard what she said, and they all made a long sigh in sadness.

Lei Dadi and the other powerful men in the Cold Moon Palace didn't know what had happened to Ye Xiao before to bring him back to life, but they knew that Ye Xiao's soul had occupied Ye Nantian and Yue Gongxue's son's body. The Xiao Monarch lived on in the body of another person. There were two ways of doing it—one was occupying a living man's body, while the other was occupying the body of a dead man. For people beyond the Dao Origin Stage, it wasn't any difficult technique. In fact, any Dao Origin Stage cultivators could do it to save one's life when they had to!

Ye Xiao had returned to live in the body of Ye Nantian and Yue Gongxue's son, and the couple knew the Xiao Monarch before. The delicate relationship between Ye Xiao and the couple was the most incomprehensible thing in the Qing-Yun Realm...

Now that Ye Xiao had ascended. He had left the Qing-Yun Realm for the Human Realm Upon Heavens now.

Things about him and his second life parents might be regrettable, but it was over. It had come to the end after all...

Perhaps, Ye Xiao would come back to this world someday. When he returned, nobody could guarantee that the Qing-Yun Realm would still be the same Qing-Yun Realm!

The Mountain of All Medicines was gone when Ye Xiao ascended. It disappeared, but in fact, it was the shadow of the mountain who disappeared. The shadow just faded away when Ye Xiao left.

A legend was left to the world.

Laughing out loud at all the heroes under the firmament, he was the monarch of the universe!

The Xiao Monarch!

“I hope the world beyond us won’t be too cold for me to live in!” It meant that the Xiao Monarch didn’t want to be alone. He was waiting, waiting for the people in the Land of Han-Yang to ascend and join him.

It was the wishful thought of the Monarch.

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Three days after that, the prime elder, the great elder Xuan Bing had ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens inside the Misty Cloud Palace.

On the same day, the former prime master of the Sky Ice Palace, Jun Yinglian ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens as well.

In three days, three superior cultivators ascended to the upper realm. The three people’s ascending had become a legendary story which boiled the entire Qing-Yun Realm in fever.

People all went to the Cold Moon Palace to see where Ye Xiao used to live. On the main mountain of the Cold Moon Palace, there was something who looks just like a huge token.

It was the Monarch Token!

“Those who died in the war against the demons gets double compensation for their families. We take good care of their younger generation. The heroes died, and we can’t let them down.”

“My wealth in my life is all here. The Cold Moon Palace should charge of it.”

“The children of the heroes should never be offended in the Qing-Yun Realm. Whoever dares to bully them will get punished by all men in the world.”

“If the children of the heroes become evil, we punish them together.”

“I wish the Qing-Yun Realm a glorious and wonderful future. I hope that the demons will never appear in the world again. I hope all the parents in the world can live in peace and happiness. I wish the world peace and love. I hope all of you, my friends, can live a wealthy and lovely life.”

“-Ye Xiao.”

People read Ye Xiao’s message and looked at the Monarch Token, and the warm tears would fill their eyes.

The Xiao Monarch!

“...”

In fact, not only the Xiao Monarch but also Xuan Bing of the Misty Cloud Palace, Jun Yinglian of the Sky Ice Palace, all left similar messages to the world when they left.

All the sects and all the itinerant cultivators were inspired by these three.

Fifteen days after, Han Bingxue ascended on the top of the Ice Mountain, and he was another legend in the world.

One month after, in the Ice Cloud Palace, Li Wuliang and Xue Danru both ascended at the same time, and it became a romantic story of two legendary people.

One and half a month after, Yue Shuang and Yue Han of the Qiong-Hua Palace ascended to follow their brother.

Three months after, the Misty Cloud Palace had their second legendary cultivator—Wenren Chuchu ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

One year after, Ning Biluo ascended. One and a half year after, Zhao Pingtian ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens. One month after Zhao Pingtian, Liu Changtian ascended!

The unprecedented feat of ascending in tens of thousands of years in the Qing-Yun Realm history was finished. The great ascending happened right after the demons were all wiped out.

However, after doing some research, the cultivators in the Qing-Yun Realm was shocked to find that all the people who ascended were connected to Ye Xiao!

Li Wuliang and Han Bingxue were Ye Xiao's sworn brothers.

Jun Yinglian was Ye Xiao's wife. Yue Shuang and Yue Han were Ye Xiao's sworn sisters. Ning Biluo, Zhao Pingtian, and Liu Changjun were Ye Xiao's most loyal followers, who had followed Ye Xiao from the Land of Han-Yang to the Qing-Yun Realm.

Xue Danru used to be the third most powerful cultivator in the Qing-Yun Realm, but she got the chance to ascend only because she chose to marry Ye Xiao's sworn brother... People had been guessing, and they were quite close to the truth.

Wenren Chuchu was the lady who chased Ye Xiao on her own initiative, and she knew Ye Xiao long before they ascended to the Qing-Yun Realm. The ambiguous relationship between these two was... Hmmm... It must be something special.

Xuan Bing...

Ahem...

Xuan Bing was Bing'er. It was no longer a secret in the Qing-Yun Realm now.

There was only one reason why the secret would be revealed. Xuan bing exposed herself to the world!

"Ye Xiao is my man." Xuan Bing left these words before she was gone.

Before that, she had written a short autobiography, which ended by some few lines...

"I don't regret!"

"It is worthwhile!"

That had triggered a bomb among the cultivators in the Qing-Yun Realm. People started to discuss it everywhere and every time. Some people were jealous of her, but some just despised her.

"You are such a great cultivator, yet you actually be a humble maid of somebody else... You are actually enjoying it. You should be ashamed, yet you feel proud..."

For the ladies in the Qing-Yun Realm, they were all one hundred percent jealous of Xuan Bing.

“That is so romantic... That is so romantic... It is the pure love that only exists in love stories. I want to have a love story of my own just like that...”

A young man saved a wonderful lady who used to be high in the sky. The lady lost her memory and the young man took care of her thoughtfully...

Finally, it became a romantic story of a man and a woman.

The man and wife loved each other deeply, and they both ascended to the upper realm together.

That was a legendary story that obsessed all the women in the world.

It was unbearably romantic.

The lady gave up her high-bred identity, only wanted to stay on the young man's side. She gave up everything for him...

Wasn't it a perfect example of a perfect romantic story?

Xiao Monarch's story somehow became a bit peachy now.

The stories about the Xiao Monarch had been told in the Qing-Yun Realm for a long time afterwards.

People all wanted to see the superhero who saved the Qing-Yun Realm from the demons, but the Xiao Monarch, Ye Xiao, had never shown himself in the Qing-Yun Realm ever after...

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Rule the firmament.

Stars, the sun, and the moon were running in his hand, where the firmament was held inside beyond heavens!

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When he ascended to the Qing-Yun Realm, he stayed in the faint for a short time before he realized he was in a completely new world!

Now Ye Xiao was wandering around some rocks. He didn't understand why he would come to such a place after leaving the Qing-Yun Realm!

Did he use up his good luck in his previous experience?

This place was obviously a deserted land. He stood on a hill which seemed to be the highest point in this place, and he looked far away. Within hundreds of miles, there was no cooking smoke.

The Human Realm Upon Heavens was known as the world of god and goddess, yet the first impression Ye Xiao had about this world was a deserted land with nothing but rocks.

Of course, materially speaking this place was deserted because there were only rocks, but even a deserted land had denser spiritual qi in the air than the Qing-Yun Realm. The Qing-Yun Realm just couldn't compare to this world. Where Ye Xiao was standing had ten times denser spiritual qi than the Qing-Yun Realm.

If Ye Xiao didn't see this place with his own eyes, but only to sense the energy flows in this place, he would be shocked about this place. He would definitely not be disappointed by the real Human Realm Upon Heavens, because it was such a world full of spiritual power! How significant!

However, except the fact that it had a great amount of spiritual energy... there seemed to be nothing good about this place!

– Puff! –

Ye Xiao felt annoyed, so he casually kicked a small rock on the ground near his feet. The small rock rolled away, and Ye Xiao felt the sore pain on his toes.

It felt like he had kicked an unbelievably small but heavy iron ball which weighed at least millions of pounds. Ye Xiao was surely powerful enough to move a million pounds of heavy iron ball, but to kick an iron ball that weighed millions of pounds was not quite the same thing. Kicking would move the ball away further but only hurt his toes more.

“What is it? How come such a small piece of rock could hurt me this bad?” Ye Xiao gritted his teeth and picked up the small piece of rock.

In the Qing-Yun Realm, he was a superhero who could easily move a mountain to fill an ocean. How come kicking a piece of small rock here actually hurt him so much?

Was the rock actually something valuable? How come it could weigh millions of pounds like an incredible iron ball?

Ye Xiao grabbed the rock in the hand and checked it again and again, but he couldn't find anything special about it. It weighed just the weight of a piece of normal rock. It didn't seem to be heavy at all in his hand. However, as he tried to clench the rock in his hand, he only felt his hand in pain and the rock was completely unharmed. The small rock was definitely harder than normal special steels. Ye Xiao was so powerful that he could easily leave a mark of fingers on any normal special steels. However, he just couldn't do anything to the rock. What a surprise!

He carefully put the small rock away inside his pocket and thought, “I am lucky, am I not? Just when I set my foot on the land of this world, I got myself a treasure. The rock that I can't break must be something valuable!”

However, after a while, he was utterly disappointed.

If that small piece of rock was a treasure, this wasted land was full of treasures. All the rocks in this place were unbreakable for him!

Of course, he wouldn't lie to himself, would he? He threw away the small rock and smiled bitterly. “How blind I am! This is not the Qing-Yun Realm anymore. Even though it looks like a rock, it must be much harder than the rocks in the Qing-Yun Realm. This place was such a deserted land, yet the spiritual qi in

the air was ten times denser than the Qing-Yun Realm. How surprising could it be to find the rock being harder than the rocks I know in the Qing-Yun Realm..."

'Fine. Forget it. The first thing I need to do is to find out where I am. What is this place?'

'This is different from the story they tell. Everybody knows that when a cultivator ascends to the Human Realm Upon Heavens, angels would appear to greet him and tell him everything he needs to know...'

'Somebody should welcome me here...'

'I don't see any angels here. How come?'

'I guess the story is fake. It is a lie...' Ye Xiao helplessly shook his head and then started to wander around. After that... His tummy was grumbling. Well, he was hungry.

The Xiao Monarch, when he was in his previous life, was known as a great man. However, he was actually just an itinerant cultivator after all, who was savage sometimes. The Xiao Monarch wolfed down when he ate things and guzzled when he drank. After he became the young lord Ye Xiao, he started to care about his manners and knew much more about delicacy in choice of food. In both lives, the Xiao Monarch or the young lord, he had never been hungry!

However, he was starving at this moment. As a cultivator, he actually felt hunger!

Cultivators were people after all. People needed an energy supplement. Powerful cultivators could refill the energy for the body by using spiritual power. Even those people who had been guarding the Demonic Flame Altars had been self-supplying with their spiritual power!

That was why Ye Xiao was confused. He should be too powerful to feel hungry because he had been at a perfect cultivating state. How come he felt hungry all of a sudden?

It actually had a simple answer for the question. The environment had changed. Ye Xiao's level ranking was lower in this new environment. He might no longer be in a perfect cultivating state in this world!

What was this place?

It was the Human Realm Upon Heavens!

What was the Human Realm Upon Heavens?

It was the highest realm that the people in the Qing-Yun Realm had ever known!

A perfected cultivator in the Qing-Yun Realm was merely a beginner in cultivation in this new world!

How could a beginner in cultivation be any close to perfection? He was not even good! In fact, he didn't even know twenty percent of the true power of this world. He was merely somebody began to learn a martial art in this world!

Since he was this weak, it was reasonable that he felt hungry!

There was another reason why he would feel hungry. He had been walking in this place for three full days. During the three days, he hadn't seen any living people. Three days, he had to be hungry... It was reasonable...

However, hunger was an easy problem for Ye Xiao. He had a lot of treasures, valuable plants with fruits and flowers in the Boundless Space, so it was easy for him to get some food. Before ascending, he had already forced Erhuo to make a hundred beads of Anti-starvation Dan. Ate one dan bead and he wouldn't feel hungry! Each dan bead lasted for a long time!

It was brutal to make Erhuo produce so many Anti-starvation Dan beads, and he actually forced Erhuo to make them all at the supreme level. It was even more brutal! Ye Xiao was unbelievably extravagant at the moment!

However, Ye Xiao didn't care about it. Now that he had something to solve the hunger, he didn't seem to worry about it. There was a solution, then it was not a problem. Ye Xiao had one question in his heart that had been torturing him.

'Where is this place? To what force does this place belong to?'

'How many forces are there in the martial world of the Human Realm Upon Heavens?'

'Who is responsible for these forces?'

'What should I pay special attention to? What opportunity do I have?'

These questions were important. He was now just a small shrimp in the world, which would not easily grow stronger any time soon. If he offended somebody powerful by accident, he might get himself killed!

Ye Xiao was muddle-headed. Was he going to find out everything all by himself?

'Oh heavens... Just let the thunder strike on me and kill me!'

When Ye Xiao was lost in thoughts, somewhere strange, there were two people looking for somebody they wanted to find for a long time. The two people were in shock.

Well, they were not Jun Yinglian and Xuan Bing. That was for sure. They weren't even women. They were two men!

The two of them were exactly looking for Ye Xiao, and they cared for Ye Xiao more than many people in the world!

It was a big gate. On the other side of the gate, it was a special pond that was full of white fog.

The pond was incredible. It was the traditional washing pond in this world.

Whoever had just ascended to the Human Realm Upon Heavens from the lower realm should always come to this place to wash the dust away. Only after getting through the ablution in the washing pond, one could finally be a member of the Human Realm Upon Heavens, which was known as god.

Moreover, there were angels who would greet the people from the lower realm. The story was real. They would introduce a lot of things in the Human Realm Upon Heavens to the people who were new to this world. They would tell the cultivator everything about this world except those that were classified. They had answers to all questions.

In the end, the cultivators could get some money from the two angels, to support them on surviving the new world. At least they wouldn't be starved for the days to come.

At this moment, the two angels were confused.

"Where is the man?"

"Where is the man who has just ascended?"

"Didn't somebody just arrive? We felt the qi of life. It shook the divine bell. Why can't we see anyone?"

"How is this possible? Did the man think that he is powerful as usual? Is that why he ran wild and go missing?"

"Damn it... Where is the man?"

"He can't just run away without registering! This is a big deal!"

"Holy f*ck..."

The two angels were both muddleheaded. "Oh heavens... Oh hell... If anything happens to you, it is your own fault. You ran away... But... It will be our problem if we fail to pick you up. They will deduct my bonuses for the next one thousand years..."

"That is big money! Do you think it is easy to feed an entire family?"

"What a bastard! Which realm did he come from? He is hurting people now!"

The two angels seemed to be sad and annoyed. They both gritted their teeth and said one word through their clenched teeth, "Search!"

"Let's go find him quickly!"

"If we can't find him, we are going to eat sh*t for the next thousand years!"

"The unruly bastard! How could he just wander away? When I find him, I am going to..."

"Stop talking tough now. I am not sure if we can find him, to be honest. Gosh... I have no idea people from the lower realm could be this stupid and weird. Didn't anybody in his sect tells him anything about here?"

"Sigh... Stop the pointless complaint now... Let's go get him."

"Damn it... Hmmm... That bastard actually doesn't leave any trace behind. Not even some qi... What do we do? This is more difficult than finding a needle in the bottom of the ocean..."

The two angels walked away in two directions, both with a bitter face. They were searching so carefully...

Three days after...

The two of them returned to their place. "Did you find him?"

"No, not really... Did you?"

“No... I did not...”

“We are screwed!”

“We are going to be f*cked. That bastard got us into really big trouble. Bonus money of one thousand years...”

“The divine bell is ringing. Somebody else arrived... Losing one thousand years of bonus money is difficult, but we can still live on. If we miss one more, I guess we should just hang ourselves on the roof...” One of the angels was sobbing.

“I wonder who it is this time. Please, don’t wander away...”

“Come on. Do not scare yourself. Let’s go get the person now. Pick this one up and then we go for the former one... Perhaps, we can still find him... Damn it! What a weirdo!”

The two angels were upset and both of them had freaked out, but they still had to go for the second person who arrived.

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Chapter 1453: You Just Can’t Get Enough, Can You?

It was Xuan Bing who ascended after Ye Xiao.

Xuan Bing just arrived at the new world, and the dense white fog had surrounded her. – Shoot! – She fell into the wash pond which was right next to her.

The two angels lit up their eyes.

“It is a woman, isn’t it?”

“You are talking nonsense. Of course, she is a woman. She has to be a woman. Otherwise, she wouldn’t fall into the lady’s wash pond, would she?”

“Hey! I am not talking nonsense. She is a woman, and we can’t get access to that area. We can only wait outside the entrance.”

“Wait a minute. Am I getting this wrong? Do you want to go over and look at her? Don’t you dare! Aren’t you afraid that the divine thunder would crash you down into pieces? You pervert!”

“I didn’t mean it! Come on... I have had enough from the weirdo a while ago... To be honest with you, you can’t say this to anybody else. It is not true. If anybody else heard you, my family will be doomed...”

The two angels just stayed outside the entrance and waited patiently with grief.

Xuan Bing didn’t make them wait too long. When she went out, the two angels who saw the lady for the first time were both stunned!

“She is fabulous! Beautiful!”

“Incredible! Gorgeous!”

There was only one feeling in Xuan Bing's mind. When she came out from the wash pond, she felt so relieved. It seemed Xuan Bing from the past had been left in the pond, and she was completely another person!

She once had a similar feeling before. When she was severely injured in the Land of Han-Yang and lost all her power, Ye Xiao poured his own energy into her body to save her, and that was the last time she felt like she was reborn as another person!

This time, she felt more relieved, and the feeling was clearer in her head. She felt so light, and her body was extremely pure and clean. After the ablution, her entire body had changed, and she had let go of the past. Her dantian was totally empty, and the spiritual qi around her kept rushing into her at full speed. The energy was forcibly rushing into her body, forcing her to accept it.

Xuan Bing was experienced enough to easily recognize the difference in essence between the spiritual qi in this place and the spiritual qi in the Qing-Yun Realm!

The spiritual qi here was more powerful, thicker and gentler... It was just about to catch up with the purple qi which Ye Xiao had poured into her body in the old days!

When she walked out the wash pond, she clearly felt that she had reached an upper level in cultivation!

It had just been such a short time, and she already got such a huge improvement. That was incredible!

The two angels who were supposed to take care of all the people who were new to this world had been staring at Xuan Bing. She realized it, so she blandly smiled and said, "Please, forgive me if there is anything I did wrong. I am new to this upper world. I guess you are the host angels that I have heard a lot in the ancient stories. Are you?"

The two host angels nodded and said, "That's right. Yes. We are. We surely are."

In their hearts, they were thinking, *'This woman is extraordinarily beautiful... Look at her eyes and those eyebrows... She was fabulous. I think there aren't many women even in the Human Realm Upon Heavens who can be as beautiful as this woman. I surely haven't seen any before.'*

'But... It is just... This lady is so cold. I can see that she is smiling and being polite to us, talking in good manners, but I can also feel the extreme coldness in her, which gives a chill into my bones.'

'She just gives some sort of feeling... It makes me feel like I am surrounded by all the snow mountains...'

'It would be perfect to look at a beautiful woman like this for some time, but I don't think it is a good idea to be with her for a long time. She is going to freeze somebody to death!'

"Hmm. Can you tell us your name, please?" The host angel who stood on the left side was talking in official principles, polite and professional. "Please tell us everything about the martial force, which means your sect, in the lower realm. We will make you a special nameplate, so you can enter the Human Realm Upon Heavens with it."

Xuan Bing nodded. She knew it was obligatory. She guessed that the special nameplate was probably the identification of who she was, so she just told the two angels whatever they wanted to know.

Apparently, the two angels were quite familiar with the process of making a nameplate, because they finished making a jade plate for Xuan Bing in a short time. The host angel who stood on the right passed over a small bag to Xuan Bing and said, "The Great Heavenly Master has prepared a package of money and materials for every cultivator who is new to this world after ascending. In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, anything from the lower realms is useless. You must take your time to accept the change and get used to it."

The host angel on the left said, "I should give you an advice. Since you have the power to ascend to this world, I assume that you are an all-powerful person in the world you are from. However, leaving that world for this great realm, you are no longer a great cultivator anymore. In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, you are just a beginner in cultivation. Any cultivator you will see in this world can kill you easily. Do not overestimate yourself, because it will only lead you to death! Mark my words!"

Xuan Bing said thank you a few times and then took over the bag.

"When you get out of this place, you will see a fork in the road, which can lead you to many directions. You can choose one path, and after that, your future depends on how good you can be."

The angel generously said in kindness, "This is my last advice. The paths on the left are not good choices. Pick some other path, and you will get fewer difficulties."

If Xuan Bing wasn't such an incredibly beautiful woman, the two host angels would never have told her this much.

She could choose whatever she wanted, and they wouldn't give a sh*t about it.

Xuan Bing nodded and said thank you again, and then she asked, "Please, honorable lords, do you happen to know what path the man who arrived three days ago picked?"

The two host angels were awkward. "The man who arrived three days ago?"

"Well... You two know each other!"

"That's right. The man who arrived three days ago. He is my husband." Xuan Bing was a bit anxious. "Please, great angels. Could you tell me where he went?"

The two host angels were speechless for a long while.

After a long silence, they stuttered and said, "Lady Xuan Bing, we will just be frank to you. In fact, we have no idea where he goes right now... Well... To be honest, we are looking for him as well. You must know that we two may be more eager than you for any trace of him... However, there is nothing we can trace after as if that man has never been here before..."

When the angels said these words, they were so deeply grieved.

It was such a weird thing that would not happen once in ten thousand years. A man ascended to this world and then went missing.

Xuan Bing was surprised. She said, "What? Isn't... Isn't every cultivator who ascends to this world obligated to come to this place?"

“Yes! Absolutely.” The two host angels said, and they were both upset.

“Well then, why did you say that he has never been here?” Xuan Bing asked.

“We... We do not know...” The two angels were so upset and they said, “Lady Xuan Bing, there is one thing we need to ask for you for a favor. If you meet your husband, please tell him to come back here and do the register... Otherwise, we two are going to be so f*cked up...”

Xuan Bing was awkwardly speechless.

Then she left.

When she got to the fork in the road, where she could pick a path from thousands of paths, she didn't hesitate to choose a path that looked straight ahead. She just picked one randomly.

'I don't care what it will be like. From the moment I step on it, it will be my path!'

Xuan Bing had disappeared, and the two angels were still in sigh and groan.

“It is better to do it without help than to ask for help. We should probably get on looking for that man now!”

The two of them were just about to leave and go on looking for Ye Xiao, but the divine bell unexpectedly rang up again.

“What? Another one ascended?”

The two angels were shocked. “This is odd! How come people keep arriving recently? Our world here should be the highest realm in the firmament. I have never seen so many people coming up together in such a short time!”

After a while...

“What? Why is it a woman again?” The two host angels were surprised.

'What is happening? Is Yin going to surpass Yang in this world...'

The Human Realm Upon Heavens was not some normal realm in the universe. It was the highest realm among all. Only those who had reached the top of cultivation could enter this supreme realm. It took three to five years for a new cultivator to ascend to this world after the former one, and female cultivators were rare. It was unbelievably rare that two female cultivators arrived almost at the same time. However, the two angels were witnessing the miracle here!

Jun Yinglian had arrived.

As usual, the two angels did what they should do to every cultivator who had first set their feet on this world. When everything was done and Jun Yinglian was about to leave, she suddenly asked the two host angels a question.

“Could you please kindly tell me, my honorable angels. A few days ago, there was a male cultivator who arrived in this world. May I ask which path did he choose?” Jun Yinglian politely asked.

The two host angels were shocked and blanked out again.

“Who is he to you?” The two angels stared at her with confusion.

Jun Yinglian blushed and said, “He... He is my husband... Please, honorable angels, tell me where he chose to go?”

“...”

The two angels only felt like they got struck by the divine thunder.

‘That holy dumb head bastard!’

The two host angels felt utterly grieved and both started to shed tears!

‘It is against the heaven’s kind will that you have made such a huge trouble to the two of us! And... You actually got to marry these two women, who are definitely the most beautiful women in the world, even in the Human Realm Upon Heavens!’

‘These two beautiful women ascended to this world one after another almost at the same time, and they are actually your wives! Both of them!’

‘Bastard! Do you want all the men in the Human Realm Upon Heavens to die in grief!’

‘Two good white cabbages got wasted by the same weirdo! The heaven should never let this happen!’

‘I wonder what kind of a playboy is this guy?’

The two host angels saw Jun Yinglian off and then continued looking for Ye Xiao. However, it was a shame that they were going to waste their time on it. They could never find Ye Xiao. Ye Xiao was somewhere at least... a hundred thousand miles away from the wash pond... He was just unbelievably far away at the moment.

The two angels didn’t find Ye Xiao, so they had lived a long miserable time after Ye Xiao was gone. They always sighed and groaned whenever they thought of it.

However, they still had a job to do. If they got careless again, they might lose even more...

“Somebody is coming up again...” The two host angels were a little frightened by how quickly one ascended to this world after the previous one did.

“Wait a minute! This is not a third one who is going to ask about that bastard, is this?”

Well, reality went against the wish.

A man who made people feel cold, and looked just like an ice sculpture walked out from the wash pond.

His clothes were white like pure snow.

His long sword was cold like frost.

It seemed nobody could get near him.

He had a good-looking face though.

This pretty young man was exactly Han Bingxue. The handsome man, Han Bingxue had arrived.

The angels did everything once again, telling Han Bingxue everything he needed to know. After that, Han Bingxue asked gently, "May I ask you a question, please? About half a month ago, there should be one man and two women who ascended to this world. May I ask which path did they choose? They must have chosen the same path! I believe so!"

"..." The two host angels were speechless again in awkwardness.

*'Holy sh*t! Can't you ask something else?'*

'Why? Why do you all have to ask about him?'

"They didn't choose the same path. Do you want to know about the man or the two ladies?" One of the two host angels said.

He wasn't lying though. Ye Xiao had been missing, and he did not choose the same path as the two ladies. In fact, he didn't choose any path at all, and the two ladies didn't go the same path either. Xuan Bing went straight forward, and Jun Yinglian picked the one slightly on the right.

"Not the same path? How come? It shouldn't be. Never mind. Could you please kindly tell me which path did that man choose? I am going to chase him!" Han Bingxue said.

The two host angels were astounded again. *'What the hell? What is going on here? This young man, this pretty young man, actually follows that stupid weirdo as well! He said he wanted to chase that bastard! What the hell? Is that weirdo truly that powerful? Does he like man and woman at the same time? Isn't it too overwhelming?'*

The other host angel asked, "Is that man your husband? My heavens! I have never thought that the lower realm could be this open!" When he said these words, he felt he got a cramp on his legs. He just couldn't imagine the scene of these people being together.

Han Bingxue was surprised too, but then he soon understood what was happening. The two angels clearly mistook something. He hurriedly explained and said, "No, no, no. You misunderstand me. That man you just mentioned is my big brother. The two ladies are my brother's wives. The three of them came to this world almost at the same time, so I think I should ask about them." Han Bingxue gave a reasonable explanation, and then he said, "Oh great angels, please, are you sure they didn't take the same path?"

"..."

The two host angels finally powerlessly said, "Your big brother has gone missing. He didn't come to us... His two wives picked two different paths out there..."

"Oh, I see!" Han Bingxue waved a hand and said, "Well, off I go then! Thank you, honorable angels, for telling me what I need. When I become a conqueror of some place here in this world, I will come back and visit you again."

After that, Han Bingxue casually left, taking nothing with him.

The two host angels were speechlessly awkward. They just didn't know how to respond to that.

'What on earth is this arrogant man? Where does his blind arrogance come from?'

'Perhaps, you could be a king somewhere down in the lower world, but in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, you are weak just like a small shrimp... Don't you understand? You? You become a conqueror of somewhere in the Human Realm Upon Heavens?'

'Who the hell do you think you are?'

'That was a toad yawning with a gaping mouth, lots of big talks.'

'A conqueror? A conqueror in the piggery, I suppose.'

After another half month.

Li Wuliang and Xue Danru both arrived at this place after ascending to the upper realm.

"May I ask, my dear honorable lord angels, where do those people who arrived earlier go? They must have chosen the same path, haven't they?"

The two host angels truly did not want to answer this question again.

'Who the hell... What the hell are you doing? Are you fooling me around?'

Another half a month passed.

Two gorgeous beauties arrived at the wash pond and then walked out to the greeting desk.

The sisters, Yue Shuang, and Yue Han arrived.

"May I ask, my dear lord angels..."

When Yue Shuang said the first several words, the two angels already had a serious headache.

The sacred decree was announced already. The two host angels each had lost one thousand years bonus.

The two of them were just in grievance, and people actually kept coming to ask them the same thing that makes them feel upset.

'Can't you just stop it? Can't you?'

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Chapter 1454: A Strange Place

"Ladies, I believe you have a question to ask, and you want to know where the men and women who arrived some days ago have gone, don't you? You want to know if they chose the same path, don't you? Don't you?" Before Yue Shuang asked out the question, the host angel had interrupted her by asking out questions.

"That's right. You know! You have a foresight! You are indeed an incredible angel in this incredible world." Yue Shuang and Yue Han both nodded, and both stared at the host angels with hope and fever in their eyes.

"I don't know!"

The host angels gave them three cold words as a response, and their faces turned green all of a sudden.

“Our bonus... Money of one thousand years... is gone because of that big brother of yours!”

“From now on, we almost get nothing for the hard work we do for the next thousand years! One thousand years! We can’t even take a break!”

“We want somebody to listen to our bitter complaints now. Do you really think we would bear listening to your unstoppable asking?”

“What the hell is wrong with this attitude here? Do you think you can be rude to people just because you can foresee things?” Yue Shuang and Yue Han were annoyed, so they both pursed their lips and left in anger. As they were walking away, their voices didn’t stop though... “Two useless servants, greeting people and all that... What makes you think you are so great? When we become strong and influential here, we are going to come back and give you some serious lessons!”

The two ladies had gone. The two host angels wanted to cry, but no tears were present in their eyes.

“Are we to be blamed?”

“Is this reasonable?”

“We are victims in this case! You have no idea!”

Three months after, Wenren Chuchu arrived. Finally, she had come to the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

“May I ask, my dear lord angels...”

The two host angels were powerless when they heard the beginning of the lady’s speech... They freaked out...

“Stop! Stop asking! We do not know anything! We don’t have your answer!”

Wenren Chuchu frowned when she heard the desperate shout, and she blandly said, “Well, I do not know what exactly you two are responsible for, but I guess I should warn you about this out of my kindness.

“You two are the host angels here, which means you two are at least responsible for greeting and taking care of the cultivators who ascend to this world from the lower realms. Am I right?”

“We are new to this world, so we are weak, so weak that you two might look down upon us. However, we are people in the Human Realm Upon Heavens after all. You got yourselves a job, so you should take it seriously. If you ask yourselves, do you find it appropriate to talk to me like that?”

“I have just come to this world. I know my words don’t matter to you. However, are you sure no one from lower realms has ever climbed up to the top positions in the Human Realm Upon Heavens? Where do you think these people start to climb? Weren’t they just somebody didn’t matter when they first set foot on this land?”

“Do you think that we are never going to get success? Are you sure none of us will become a wonderful cultivator in this place who shocked the world?”

“Fate doesn’t bring people good luck or misfortune. When somebody said or do something, there is no turning back. Regret is always late. Arrogance comes from ignorance.”

Wenren Chuchu's lesson had made the two host angels feel deeply embarrassed, and they had no words to say after that.

Wenren Chuchu was born a princess in the Kingdom of Lanfeng of the Land of Han-Yang. She was good at giving a speech and the art of language. That was why when she gave lessons, she was always right.

After a few righteous words, she had made the two host angels speechless in embarrassment.

"Since the two angels do not want to tell me what I ask, and I clearly know how weak and insignificant I am, I guess I should leave now. Angels, we will meet again." Wenren Chuchu spoke blandly and then left the place. Before she turned around and left, she gave the angels an extremely sharp stare.

Wenren Chuchu was no doubt a woman with strong power, and her incredible power came from her wisdom. After the ascending, she naturally turned into someone even better.

'This is the real starting line of mine!'

That was the word Wenren Chuchu told herself.

'I have to change. I will change. I am going to be tough, be strong, be ruthless. I will build an empire for me and my master out of blood and power!'

'I can despise others, yet I won't allow anybody to despise me!'

'There will be a land of my own in the Human Realm Upon Heavens!'

Wenren Chuchu left.

The two angels looked at Wenren Chuchu's back, and they didn't know what to say.

"It is not that we don't want to do our jobs... We were so led into troubles..."

"Come on, big sister... Do you really have to be so serious..."

"We two have lost one thousand years of money... What should we do..."

One year after.

Ning Biluo, Zhao Pingtian, and Liu Changjun all arrived one after another. The three of them asked the host angels the same questions, and this time the two angels pretended to be mutes, no sounds, nothing. They wouldn't cooperate, but they wouldn't get violent either, only shouted with abuse in their hearts.

'What the hell... Did you form a delegation to ascend?'

'This is my first time... There actually are people who form a delegation to ascend to the Human Realm Upon Heavens...'

'What a weird world with all kinds of weird things.'

'Well, but none these people who seem to be in one delegation actually chose the same path... Oh, that couple did though. The others all chose their own paths.'

'Weird... These were all weirdos. The whole thing is weird. Everybody seemed to care about which path that missing weirdo chose in the beginning. As a matter of fact, even that weird man has gone missing, and they all had to just choose their own paths, it is still quite strange that none of them picked the same path with the others. How strange!'

Which the two host angels had thought.

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Ye Xiao had been traveling in this desolate place for one full month.

The experience in this month had brought him extremely important knowledge.

Nobody had ever talked to him during the month. There was nothing else he could see except the rocks and the spiritual qi in the air. There were even no signs of any beasts. Everything was new and dull, and he had to figure out everything on his own.

As a matter of fact, if he didn't have the Anti-starvation Dan Erhuo especially made for him, he would have been starved to death so many times!

During the one month, Ye Xiao had summed up a few important rules he should know in the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

'First of all, the gravity force here is a hundred times as the gravity in the Qing-Yun Realm. Under this restraint, my cultivation power was utterly weakened.'

'Everybody will be weakened by the unusual gravity. That is fair.'

'Because of the unusual gravity, many things are extremely hard including the plants and rocks! Well, I guess it is just for me, or other people who are from the lower realms! In fact, maybe these things are not as tough as I think. Maybe I am just too weak!'

'Everything is included. The same rule applies to other things. It is reasonable to assume that the weapons in the Human Realm Upon Heavens must be incredibly powerful.'

Ye Xiao stared at the Stars Sword in the Boundless Space, and he was suddenly enlightened. The Stars Sword was made from some really special material, and the unusual gravity force might be the reason why the material was so special.

As one thought appeared in his mind, another followed. Ye Xiao paid more attention to the Boundless Space and checked on the Monarch's Sword. He looked at the Monarch's Sword and murmured. "Old friend, you must work harder to get more improvement. Get used to the world we are in now, and I will find the best material for you to enhance you as soon as I can."

The Monarch's Sword slightly made some quivering sound, as if it was responding to Ye Xiao's words.

'Why? Why would I come to this place after ascending to the Human Realm Upon Heavens? Is anybody want me to know that everything here is different from the Qing-Yun Realm?'

'It this really necessary? No matter where I go, I believe I can get the same conclusion, can't I? Oh, I guess the money in the Qing-Yun Realm isn't working in this world.' Ye Xiao kept thinking. *'When I get to somewhere there are people, I have to find a way to earn some money.'*

'I can survive the starvation in, but the others are very likely starving to death soon in this place!'

He checked the materials and reserves in the Boundless Space again, and it didn't seem to be promising at all.

The Anti-starvation Dan in supreme level was great. One dan bead made him stay away from starvation for a few days. However, even supreme dan beads had limitations. After taking a few Anti-starvation Dan beads, Ye Xiao felt that it was getting less and less useful. He was confused, so he assumed the special environment in the Human Realm Upon Heavens had an influence on the dan beads. He had to eat more and more dan beads to keep himself away from hunger. In half a month, he only ate dan beads in the Boundless Space to survive this place.

There were tens of thousands of plants in the Boundless Space. Each of the plants was a valuable treasure in the Qing-Yun Realm. Ye Xiao never needed to worry about getting lower efficacy because he ate too much of the same thing continually!

He might have enough things to eat, but there was one problem he could not solve. The things in the Boundless Space were all valuable, but they didn't taste good...

Some of them; such as the Red Fruits, some other fruits and some roots of other plants didn't taste bad, but the others were all tasteless like wax. It was awful.

"Eating all my valuable materials like they were some food... This sounds great, but... Well... It really isn't..." Ye Xiao sadly touched his own face, which had become skinny. "I really... Really want to eat a steamed bun... Just one... It will be great..."

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'Congenital condition did make a great difference. A small piece of normal rock in the Human Realm Upon Heavens was extremely difficult for me to break. How unimaginably powerful on earth could the native cultivators in the Human Realm Upon Heavens be?'

'Cultivators in the Human Realm Upon Heavens must have been sorted into different ranks. What are the ranks in this martial world? How does each sect in this world control different places of the world? What do they use as their currency in circulation?'

Ye Xiao had no answers to any of these questions. All he could do was to try to figure it out on his own, making his way out step by step.

Even though he was good at his movement technique, he could only go about one hundred miles in one full day. The low efficiency was shocking!

'I have figured out the rules here. I know it is just like I think. But... It just doesn't feel right.' Ye Xiao wiped the sweat on the forehead and thought. *'Why... How would this happen? Although I have just ascended here, this is still too unbelievable... It shouldn't be like this...'*

'I feel like I am even worse than the ordinary people in the Land of Han-Yang... If all the people who ascend to the Human Realm Upon Heavens are all like this, then we are all just here to get ourselves killed! I am lucky to have a Boundless Space, and I have stored a lot of things to eat in it. Normal cultivators would never put a lot of food inside their spatial tools if they got one. Whoever has ascended to this world are all supreme in cultivation, which means they do not need to eat. There must be something wrong now!'

Ye Xiao couldn't understand it.

In fact, the problem was easy to solve for other cultivators who ascended. The only thing they needed to do was to have an ablution in the wash pond. After the ablution in the wash pond, he would become a totally different person, and the old skins of him would be far left behind. Well, the young great lord Ye here was not going to get that chance again...

He had to live though, hadn't he? All he could do was to keep going out as far as he could, hoping that he could see some people in a village or something...

The most important thing he had to do now was to keep an eye on the sun to make sure he didn't go the wrong direction.

All in all, he used to be the most powerful one in the Land of Han-Yang, and then the most powerful cultivator in the Qing-Yun Realm, but now the most tragic man in this world!

"Holy hell... If all the people ascended to this place get the same situation as I do now, I don't think they can make it out of this place of hell. They should have starved to death very quickly..." Ye Xiao was a bit worried. "What troubles me most now is that... I don't know what is happening to Lian Lian and Bing'er, and the others..."

Thinking of the others, especially the ladies, he had almost gone mad.

"Well, look at this guy. He is in such a hopeless situation, yet he still has time to worry about the others. How interesting!" Somewhere extremely far from where Ye Xiao was, in the middle of the stars river, a guy kept his mouth wide open, staring at Ye Xiao who had been traveling in difficulties. He didn't feel sorry for Ye Xiao. He was just happy as if he had made a perfect prank.

"I mean... I think this is enough. Come on. It is petty for you to interrupt into this..." Another man, who was handsome, looked at the first man with contempt and said, "All he did was just said a few words against you. Come on. Do you really have to throw him into the Godfiend Battle? He is just a beginner in this world who has just ascended..."

"Look, listen to me. If he died in there, the chief is going to beat you up so hard. He won't kill you, but you will get smashed... Or you can just try it!"

The man who was gloating heard the words and got shocked. He murmured and said, "I didn't do anything serious. I just transferred him to another place. Simple trick. Isn't it? Besides, he has that Boundless Space and all those valuable materials... and he got that incredible good luck. I don't think he is going to die in there..."

The handsome man rolled up both eyes and stopped talking.

“I really don’t feel like talking to this foolish guy anymore...”

“You don’t think... You don’t think he is going to die... Well, he still may die in there.”

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Ye Xiao had been traveling in the same place for two whole months. Finally, he began to know something about this world. Other than watching everything becoming more and more desolate, what he had seen, there was something strange showing up from time to time in his sight.

For example, he had seen glowing bones... and cracks from some unknown weapons...

All those strange signs gave Ye Xiao a conclusion...

“This place... It just looks so like an abandoned battlefield.” Ye Xiao looked around and he was confused.

“This is an ancient battlefield... which has been abandoned for who knows how many years. Otherwise, it won’t be as desolated as this...”

Suddenly, he seemed to think of something again, and then he started to do something. He walked to a spot that was lower to the average height, and carefully checked the surroundings. And then he drew out his Stars Sword and started to dig on the ground.

He told himself how inefficient it could be to do this, so he knew what it was going to be like. However, he was still a bit disappointed when he started to dig with the Stars Sword, which used to be incredibly sharp and powerful. He was digging extremely slowly.

He had to confirm one thing that he had thought of in his mind.

‘It is impossible that there actually is no living thing in such a big area.’

‘I have traveled for such a long time now. This area must be at least tens of thousands of miles wide. If there is nothing living in here...’

‘Unless somebody did this. It must be a fight between some super powerful figures in this world to kill out all the living qi in this place... If that is true, the fight must be unimaginably tragic...’

Ye Xiao was not even as strong as an ordinary man in this place. He kept sweating while working hard, digging bit by bit. He kept throwing small pieces of rock out of the pit he dug. Perhaps, the spot he chose was not his good luck. Everything he could find down the ground was a rock.

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Chapter 1455: Getting Really Rich from It

The rocks that Ye Xiao dug out were all small pieces. The biggest one was no bigger than a human head. However, every piece of them was heavy. The lightest piece was already over hundreds of kilograms. Luckily, Ye Xiao could still handle it. If any of the rocks got heavier, he would be helpless. It wasn’t difficult to move out the rocks if there were only a few pieces, but there were too many for him. It was difficult to keep digging more and more, but he seemed to be stubborn now. It felt like he was back to the three months training in the Cold Moon Palace under the three great elders’ supervision, and so he worked as hard as he did in the three months hellish training.

Ye Xiao had been digging for over ten meters deep into the ground, but he hadn't seen any soil!

Under the ground, it was all rock!

This place was already the lowest point in this area, which meant nowhere else could be better.

"I am right. This should be a huge mountain in the old days, but got broken by somebody someday in the past. The rocks all became small pieces and filled this place up."

Ye Xiao took a breath and said, "Well, this small piece of rock... I can't even break it, not to mention breaking down an entire mountain..."

"How powerful one must have to be to break such a huge mountain into small pieces?"

He took a rest for a while, and then went on digging.

He just kept digging for three whole days. He dug deep down, and cleaned out the rocks, and then expanded the digging area a little bit to continue digging. Again and again, he kept digging deep, and eventually found some soil when he hit about a hundred and fifty meters down in the pit. The soil was in between some tightly squeezed rocks.

However, the soil wasn't actually like soil. In fact, it was more like some metal which glowed in dark gloss. It was definitely something different from the rock, but it wasn't quite like soil either.

Ye Xiao held it in his hand and tried with almost all the power he got to squeeze it and finally crumbled that thing.

He then had a conclusion. *'This must be soil! The reason is simple—I crumbled it. I can't crumb these rocks, so this must be soil. Soil is softer than a rock! That is it!'*

After that, he kept digging ten meters deeper and finally found more of that soil, which was much softer than the rocks.

"So this is indeed an ancient battlefield." Ye Xiao proved himself right but still was a bit upset about it.

'This should be a basic fact that every person in the Human Realm Upon Heavens knows about, shouldn't it? Well, it just took me such a long time to figure it out.'

'This area is so desolate. There must be a fight between two extremely powerful cultivators, who made some impacting blasts in this place and made this area a dead zone within tens of thousands of miles! Otherwise, this place shouldn't have been so lifeless! There isn't even grass!'

Ye Xiao had obtained the answer, but he was more frightened and shocked.

'At what level were these incredible cultivators to make the battle such a desolate area?'

'Damn it... Yes, I proved it. This is an ancient battlefield, but so what? It is lifeless here. There is no resource of any kind. This is an abandoned place. A place of no value...'

Ye Xiao stood up straight, and he couldn't help feeling disappointed. *'There is nothing except rocks and dirt, nothing useful... Well, it kind of makes sense though. An ancient battlefield from long ago. It should*

be searched for many times. If there was anything valuable, even if it was just a hair, someone must have taken it. Of course, this place should have nothing left for me to dig out...'

'Fine. So be it. I guess I should get out of here as soon as possible. I should leave this useless area behind.'

Ye Xiao made a sigh, and casually kicked the small rocks under his feet. He was trying to get a rock that was flat on the surface so that he could step on it and leave the pit he dug. As he looked up, he was shocked.

'What? Did I do this? It turns out I have dug as deep as a well should be...'

When he was ready to jump up, something happened. He noticed that a piece of soil was cracked into pieces when he made that casual kick on the floor.

Something brown had rolled out from the soil.

"Oh? What is that?" Ye Xiao looked at that thing and said, "I just casually kicked, and well, look what I found. Is it really this easy to find something? Is this true?"

When he grabbed the small object up and held it in the hand, after a closer look, he found that it was an ancient bronze ring. It didn't seem to be any special, but it was a surprise that it didn't rust after staying down under the ground for so many years. Perhaps, there was something special about this ring.

However, Ye Xiao didn't have time to figure out what the ring was now. He just casually threw it into the Boundless Space.

Erhuo was having a nap in the Boundless Space when the ring was thrown in and hit its tail. Erhuo automatically waved its tail and the ring got flicked away. Nobody knew where it was now.

Ye Xiao was inspired all of a sudden, after finding a ring in this place. He looked at the pit and started to be much more interested in it.

'Maybe there is something else I will find here. There is one, so there must be two, even three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine...'

Therefore, the Xiao Monarch started to dig again.

He first dug ten meters to the side, but he got nothing. And then he dug forward for ten meters, yet he still got nothing.

All that he had gotten was a muddlehead and all the twinkling stars in his sight.

He was absolutely too weak in this world for such a hard work!

"Oh heavens... One should never be greedy. It kills to want to get more after getting something already. Greed does make you fall." Ye Xiao kept his mouth open, gasping and climbing out the pit, and then lied down on the broken pieces of rocks on the floor. He kept breathing heavily, and after resting for a long time, he suddenly thought of something that seemed to be important.

'Oh, wait... I have been improved quite a lot recently, so the Boundless Space must be different now. How is it?'

When he entered the Boundless Space to check, he was shocked. "Holy heavens... Erhuo... You... What... How long on earth have you been sleeping? You have gotten your fur coming off the skins..."

Erhuo was lying under a huge ginseng, sleeping deeply at the moment, with its arms and legs extremely casually stretching out.

Ye Xiao was talking to it, but it surely couldn't hear him, because it was sleeping, and sleeping was the most important thing for it.

Ye Xiao raised up and looked around the nine spaces. The nine spaces had changed as well.

The Sky Space and the Earth Space were so different, only got some chaotic qi from the nature. These two spaces seemed to be special. The Gold Space, Fire Space, Water Space had no change at all.

The Wood Space had a bigger change among the Nine Spaces. After all this time Ye Xiao had spent in this place, the spiritual medical plants in the Wood Space had grown crazily. A lot of new plants had grown up by themselves. However, the Spirit Space and the Yin Space had the biggest change among all the Nine Spaces. It was some tremendous change really.

In the Spirit Space, the thin white fog in the air had become so dense like it was solid.

In the Yin Space, the rolling dark fog in the air also became solid.

On the ground, there was a small puddle, in which there was some black liquid that was dark like ink.

There were also straw yellow and blood red in the liquid.

However, the straw yellow and blood red would disappear if he didn't look straight at it.

All in all, the Yin Space was full of some kind of power that was rather creepy.

Ye Xiao, as the owner of the Boundless Space, would feel chilled and terrified when he entered the Yin Space.

"The change in the Yin Space is... weird. Is it the dark soul power? Is it because of the Honor Demon's massacre? Erhuo absorbed the soul energy from the Demonic Flame Altars, and the soul energy from the altars was from the Honor Demon's massacre. Did the dark energy come to the Yin Space in the end?" Ye Xiao didn't understand why the Yin Space would become like this, but he did have a reasonable assumption.

Outside the Nine Spaces, there was a light blue color gas that covered the entire sky area.

The mysterious blue gas was even more mysterious. Ye Xiao totally had no idea how it came to the Boundless Space.

The Nine Spaces all seemed to be improved, but the changes didn't seem to bring much help for Ye Xiao. The Wood Space and the Water Space might provide small help for him though. While the Wood Space gave him food, the Water Space brought him water.

He had worked so hard and he was tired, so he decided to enter the Water Space to drink as much as he could...

After filling up his tummy with the fresh water, he finally felt spirited up again, so he got out the Boundless Space and went on the journey on the desolate land.

In front of him, it was still the wasted land which seemed to be boundless. Ye Xiao made a sigh, and he knew he had no choice but to keep going forward.

It took him such a great effort to come to the Human Realm Upon Heavens that was known only from the myth, but for a long time, he was trapped in this wasted land. He had no idea what was going on.

He at least should meet somebody here so that he could ask the local people about this place!

Ye Xiao made a sigh but tried to move faster ahead. Making sighs wouldn't help him go any faster. The only thing he should do now was to try his best to walk out of this deserted land!

Another day passed, and Ye Xiao had no idea how far he had gone. He found a broken piece of a weapon, probably a saber or a sword in a surprise. In fact, in this ancient battlefield, it was reasonable that there were rocks, dirt, cracked bones, and weapon pieces. The broken weapon pieces were not often seen, but also not so rare in this area. He had found some of it many times, and he had checked all those broken pieces. It turned out that they were totally useless!

However, this time, he was somehow enlightened. *'These weapons must be from a long time ago. Normally these broken pieces should have no use for anybody in the world, but what about my Gold Space? Perhaps, it is useful in the Gold Space, isn't it?'*

Thinking about that, he was finally spirited up. As he looked around the desolate land in front of him, he felt like it was a land full of gold.

There was nothing in this area but all kinds of broken pieces of ancient weapons...

Even cracked pieces of the weapons from an ancient battlefield must be valuable. After all, those metal pieces had been through a long time and remained in the ground. It must be useful if he could collect enough!

Of course, he had to make sure the Gold Space was able to refine the cracked pieces of the weapons!

He thought of it, so he started to do it. He never knew what it could be unless he tried. He picked up the points of a saber and threw it into the Gold Space, and then his spiritual mind quickly entered the Boundless Space. As he entered the Boundless Space, he saw the saber crack changed as it appeared in the Gold Space. It was melting bit by bit...

It was melting so extremely slowly that ordinary people would not be able to see it changing, but Ye Xiao's eyes were at the Tittle Phase. He was good at finding tiny changes in all things. As he paid attention to the saber crack, some metal powder was getting off the cracked piece, and got absorbed by the Gold Space right away.

"It works! It actually works!" Ye Xiao was overjoyed.

It was such a great thing that the Gold Space could absorb and refine the metals from the ancient times. It didn't matter how slowly it worked. Being short of time was the last problem Ye Xiao had at the moment. There were an unimaginably huge amount of ancient weapons scraps in this area!

As Ye Xiao walked on the road again, his both eyes were like two searchlights, scanning for the ancient weapons pieces. He was just like a bum collecting all kinds of junks. Any metal he found, he threw it into the Gold Space.

One day passed, and he had made a lot of ancient weapon scraps that piled up as tall as a human being in the Gold Space.

The metals on the bottom of the pile had half melted. It was slow, but it was acceptable.

'Oh heavens... I nearly missed all these treasures in this huge area...' Ye Xiao felt regretful now. *'I was stupid. That was stupid. I have still missed a lot. For the last two months, I have met a lot of these weapon scraps on the way, but I only started to collect them just now. I have totally lost tons of them back on the road! How stupid I was!'*

'My heart is aching... Those were weapon scraps from the weapons in some super great cultivators in the history... I can collect and refine them all...' Ye Xiao kept gritting his teeth because of the regret in his heart. *'Should I go back and pick them all up?'*

As he looked around at the boundless desolate land, he eventually gave up the idea of turning back.

'There are too many weapon scraps in this area, and this is a huge area. Besides, it is not like only where I walked past has these weapon scraps. They are everywhere... I can simply find them in any place... Well, I should first get out of this place first, and come back for the treasure hunt in the future when I get the chance.'

'This desolate land must be meaningless and useless for the others. Nobody would ever ask about this place. However, for me, it is a gold mountain that never dries out. The heavenly Dao does bless me. I guess I am a good man, so I am blessed! Hah hah hah hah hah...'

Ye Xiao was spirited up, so he kept searching his way out.

Seven days passed.

In Ye Xiao's Gold Space, there was a small mountain that was piled up by a lot of metal pieces. It was almost a hundred meters high! What a harvest!

He got something else in return at the same time. While he could feel that he was still in the central zone of this desolate land, he was also sure that he had started to walk his way out of this area after a long journey!

The desolate land was truly incredibly big!

The reason why Ye Xiao was so sure that he was heading out, was that he started to feel more and more powerful as he walked forward. In fact, his cultivation was improving. The desolate land was indeed wasted and full of junks, the pumping spiritual qi in the air was unlimited!

In such an incredibly powerful environment, even though he hadn't been through the ablution in the wash pond, he still felt that the East-rising Purple Qi inside him was getting improved step by step!

In fact, along with the improvement, he realized something really special about it as well.

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Chapter 1456: Benefit from a Misfortune

Ye Xiao was transferred to the desolate land because somebody did this to him on purpose, so he didn't get through the ablution in the wash pond just like Xuan Bing and the others. Therefore, he still had the foundation he used to have in the lower realm. Because he was still a cultivator of the lower realm, he was severely impacted by the suppression of the Human Realm Upon Heavens. To cultivate the East-rising Purple Qi under such circumstances, he had to do it all over again. It was like cultivating the East-rising Purple Qi from the very beginning... In other words, Ye Xiao's East-rising Purple Qi was at the first level and he had to cultivate it from the first level again!

However, after one-month cultivation in this new world, the first level of the East-rising Purple Qi, which was reformed by the new spiritual power in the new world had been completed!

At the very least, Ye Xiao could already jump forward ten meters in one step!

Jumping ten meters ahead seemed to be rather simple because when Ye Xiao was the young lord Ye in the Land of Han-Yang, he could do more than that.

However, in this world, everything was different. After finishing the first level of the East-rising Purple Qi, he could only jump ahead ten meters. That was all!

He could just jump no further than ten meters at a time.

He had tried to jump out further, again and again, checking on himself again and again, but there was no problem he could find. There was one thought in his head. *'Have I lost my power?'*

'It doesn't matter!'

'I will get it back by working hard in cultivation.'

'I don't care what I have to do. I will do it and get my power back.'

'If somebody takes my power away, I will fight it back!'

'If the heaven takes my power away, I will cultivate harder to get it back!'

That was why even in this desolate land, where no lives were seen, he never gave up training. All he tried to do was to improve himself.

It was a great thing for him to regain some power, but what made him happier was something else he had obtained during the long travel in the desolate land. While he was moving fast, trying to get out of this area, he was obsessed with the ancient weapon scraps he might find in the surroundings. Anything he found, he would collect them all.

He was thirsty for those ancient weapon scraps because when those broken pieces got refined by the Gold Space, they became some sort of special metal that Ye Xiao couldn't recognize. These pieces of special metal were all in small size, only as big as a little finger, but they all weighed hundreds of kilogram. From time to time, one or two bigger ones would show up, which were as big as a human head and so hard that they were impossible to break, but these big ones were all weightless. The contrary contribution of the special metal made it extremely weird and incomprehensible.

With Ye Xiao's limited experience in this world, he surely had no idea what the metal was, but he was certain that it was not some ordinary metal, and it could mean a lot for him.

It was such a great thing. He should definitely collect as many as he could so that when he needed to use it in the future, he wouldn't regret not collecting enough.

After this, he might never have the chance to come back.

The Stars Sword became the tool he used to dig the ground. The Monarch's Sword was in the Gold Space, and the Gold Space was refining it automatically!

The Stars Sword was definitely a peerless weapon, but it was made by somebody else.

Ye Xiao could use it well, but not as well as the original owner who did make this sword.

The Monarch's Sword was the one that stayed with him for a life long time when he was the Xiao Monarch. It lived and died with him together. It was once broken, but Ye Xiao reformed it by using the power of the Heavenly Dao when he was ascending. The new Monarch's Sword was pretty spiritual now, after the reforming.

As long as Ye Xiao kept feeding it with nutrition, it would naturally improve with Ye Xiao together. They would improve together, change together, reach the top of the dao of cultivation together!

The Monarch's Sword was the perfect sword for Ye Xiao, the one that truly belonged to him.

The Monarch's Sword was made of some ordinary materials, from the mixture of five third-rate metals. However, after the reforming in the power of the Heavenly Dao when Ye Xiao ascended, it was marked with Ye Xiao's soul spirit.

That was the most important thing for Ye Xiao.

It meant this sword was possible to be connected to Ye Xiao in a full connection. In other words, the Monarch's Sword was ready to become Ye Xiao's soul weapon, his mind sword!

Because of the soul mark, the Monarch's Sword was more important for Ye Xiao than the Golden Soul Tower, the most valuable weapon Ye Xiao ever had!

The incredible Monarch's Sword was valuable enough to make everybody in the Human Realm Upon Heavens jealous of Ye Xiao.

As long as the Monarch's Sword could be reforged with the correct material, it would be a new fantastic weapon!

The Monarch's Sword had been disintegrated in the Gold Space and became the original form.

After that, Ye Xiao added those mysterious metals into the sword, which he extracted from all the ancient weapon scraps he had collected. The Monarch's Sword was disintegrated and reforged repeatedly.

Every time the Monarch's Sword was disintegrated, some impure materials would be extracted off the Monarch's Sword. Every time the Monarch's Sword was reforged, it would become more strengthened. The sword was reformed from its base!

After being reforged, again and again, the original materials of the Monarch's Sword were almost all peeled off. What was left in the sword was the sword spirit. It was the best. In fact, the sword spirit of the Monarch's Sword would be developed the most!

Ye Xiao could totally feel the joy from the Monarch's Sword.

He could also sense the power of the Monarch's Sword growing.

The reforging continued for four months.

Ye Xiao had cultivated the East-rising Purple Qi to the third level, which meant it was at the same level as in the Qing-Yun Realm. The ancient weapon scraps in the Gold Space didn't become less after being used to reforge the Monarch's Sword. Instead, more and more weapon scraps were collected and it had become a mountain of weapon scraps now.

The Gold Space became a shining space with golden color. As it decomposed more and more metal scraps, it became faster and faster.

After about a hundred days—Ye Xiao's soul sword; the Monarch's Sword was finally taking shape. Even though the Gold Space was so powerful in dealing with metallic materials, it couldn't add any more metal into the Monarch's Sword, or extract any metal out of the Monarch's Sword anymore!

The new Monarch's Sword was now just like the most beautiful woman in a kingdom. It would be too over to be longer, and it would be weak to be shorter!

In other words, it was perfect!

The new Monarch's Sword was in the Gold Space, floating in the air.

It was naturally glossed in long and bright lights!

The new sword had a slightly different appearance from the old Monarch's Sword.

The handle of the Monarch's Sword had some new flat screw thread. If Ye Xiao was sweating when he was using the sword; as long as he kept holding the handle of the sword, the Monarch's Sword would get the sweat off in his hand.

His hand would be always dry and clean as if the sword was a part of his arm.

He and the sword were one.

There was only a small salient between the handle and the blade of the sword. It wasn't so obvious, but perfectly divide the handle and the blade as two parts.

It was elegant, noble, mysterious, proud, cold, blood-thirsty, and domineering!

This sword perfectly explained the word, king!

If all the famous swords, great swords, and legendary swords of the Human Realm Upon Heavens were gathered together in the same place, this new Monarch's Sword could be the king!

It was unchallengeable!

It was inviolable!

In the Gold Space, the ancient weapon scraps Ye Xiao had collected from the desolate land were all reformed into some unidentified metals. There were hundreds of different kinds of metals in total. It was reasonable that there were so many different types of metals. The superior weapons in the world were always made of some special materials.

Some supreme level weapons were made of several kinds of extraordinary metallic materials. The weapon scraps in this ancient battlefield were only useless cracked scraps, but the Gold Space had turned them back to their original form, so these materials became useful again.

Ye Xiao had collected millions of ancient weapon scraps during the days in the desolate battlefield. He was lucky that the sort working process was automatically done by the Gold Space. In fact, there were only a few hundred different kinds of materials. Technically speaking, several hundred kinds weren't many. The truth was that the Gold Space had automatically merged all the insignificant kinds and the similar types into one, and it kept the important ones, the valuable ones on the top of all. The Gold Space did it again and again, so eventually, there were only a few hundred kinds left.

These special and significant metals were sorted into different piles on the floor. Every type of the materials had piled up like a small mountain. What a splendid scene!

Perhaps the Gold Space's power was enhanced by the enormous amount of metallic materials. As it finished working on more and more of those special metals, its power had increased hundreds of times.

At the present; when Ye Xiao threw a piece of weapon scrap into the Gold Space, it only took the Gold Space a few seconds to disintegrate it into tiny pieces, and then put them into the same materials, making the same materials into one.

In fact, the Gold Space was working faster than Ye Xiao could collect.

Ye Xiao found a hammer shape scrap by surprise. It was more like a metal block than a metal scrap. The metal block must be a part of a giant hammer. The handle of the hammer was gone, and over half of the hammer was missing. However, the left part of the hammer was as thick as the waist of a man. Other than the size, this metal block had one more thing that made it so special. This piece of metal was unbelievably hard.

It was difficult to imagine how powerful the cultivator must be to destroy such an unbelievably powerful weapon!

Ye Xiao was glad to find a piece of such a wonderful weapon. He reached out one hand to get it into the Boundless Space. However, he was shocked that he failed to grab the metal block.

There was one thing he would have to do when he wanted to get something into the Boundless Space—he had to move it. He had to be powerful enough to move everything he wanted outside the Boundless Space first, just like he did in the Mountain of all Medicines.

Ye Xiao was utterly astonished. His East-rising Purple Qi had reached the third level now. When he saw the metal block, he was happy, so he wanted to grab the block and throw it into the Boundless Space. When he reached out a hand, he was using seventy percent of his real power. It could be enough for

him to pick up something weighing thousands of kilograms, yet he failed. It meant that the broken piece of this hammer was at least five thousand kilograms!

Ye Xiao took a closer look at the broken hammer. Although it was a broken weapon, the floating gloss on the surface was clearly seen. The hammer must be made of countless superior materials. All the purest parts of those materials had been forged into wholeness, and it was impossible to divide one from another.

When some top-level materials were forged into a weapon, especially when many different kinds were merged together into one, it was impossible to reforge it. No matter how special and significant the hammer was, it couldn't be used again. That was why it was left in this desolate land, and Ye Xiao was lucky to have it!

He didn't dare to be careless this time, so he used his full power to move the hammer and got it into the Boundless Space. After that, he stood up straight and looked around, trying to find some other similar scraps, but there was none.

Because the East-rising Purple Qi had been recovered to the third level, Ye Xiao's spiritual mind could reach quite far. The ancient weapon scraps within the reachable area were all collected by Ye Xiao, and the metal scraps in the Gold Space shined in golden lights.

The metallic materials were piling up like mountains inside the Gold Space, and Ye Xiao was so happy about it.

'How astonishing! I have just come to the Human Realm Upon Heavens for a short time, and I have already obtained so many valuable materials! What a paradise! How significant!'

Although Ye Xiao didn't know how valuable the materials exactly were, he was quite sure that he was going to be rich. What a great benefit from a misfortune! *'If good luck strikes you, it won't become worse. If bad luck strikes you, you won't be able to escape. The heaven always blesses the good man, and I am a good man. These metallic materials will be treasures for sure.'*

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In somewhere far away from the desolate land...

The guy who had thrown Ye Xiao to the ancient battlefield was shocked, and his mouth was kept open. He was watching everything on Ye Xiao, and he was astonished. He was absolutely astonished!

Several people were surrounding him and looking at his funny face. They just couldn't help chuckling.

"What the hell is this? Does Boundless Space have this incredible power? Can it really turn the materials into their original forms? Damn it... I... Does this mean I have done him a great favor?" The guy pointed at the screen in front of him and said. He just couldn't believe what he had seen.

"Hah hah hah hah hah hah..." The others were clapping their own butts, laughing out loud. None of them could care more about their dishonorable behavior anymore.

A middle-aged man, who looked like a scholar, looked at the guy with a faint smile on his face. He then blandly said, "I knew it. I knew you would do this. I said it, didn't I? I said that it would be too easy for

him to just ascend like that... After I said it, I knew you would throw him to the battlefield to steel his will.”

“We do treat him well. We like him, but we don’t want to help him too much, because we need him to grow, to be stronger. If we help him too much, he would never be able to get well trained again. You threw him to that special area to steel him, and the outcome only depends on his own personality. I understand it. That place could be a nightmare to him, but also could be a great opportunity.”

“I guess that is why Chief wants Ji Mo to do this. Ji Mo should do it, so we will get the outcome that is both surprising and reasonable... Here it is! Chief does have a profound view. He knows so well about Ji Mo...”

As this middle-aged man talked, the others felt even funnier.

Ji Mo was awkwardly speechless, and then he raged up in anger. “Damn it! I was wondering why Chief would give me the chance to do this to that guy. He has his own little plan on this! You... You all knew! You all set me up! Aren’t you supposed to be my good brothers...?”

“Come on! You are easy to set up!” The others said, “You are the easiest! Who else should we do this too if not you?”

“You chose the battlefield! Hah hah hah... It did put him into a difficult place, but also give him a great opportunity!” The others started to laugh out loud. One of them actually made a long wolf howl, clapping his own butts, showing his teeth out.

“How did Chief know that I would throw him to this place? It is impossible!” Ji Mo was rubbing his head. He still didn’t understand.

“I told you... It is all reasonable choices. This is the most unbearable place in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Of course, you would throw him into this place. Where else do you think you could throw him to? Where?” The man who was waving a fan in the hand showed an elegant smile and said, “Ji Mo, you earned the credit now. The rest of this should be all left to that guy now. How lucky is he? This is something we won’t know until the truth brings the answer to us!”

Ji Mo seemed to be quite upset, and he was awkwardly speechless. “...”

After a while, he shouted out abuse and said, “What the f*ck! Reasonable my ass! Next time, you should go set Wolfy up! Do not do this to me ever again! If someone dares to do this to me again, I will get to him with death! You better hope that I won’t bite you all up to death!”

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Ye Xiao was quite happy about what he had obtained so far, but as he looked up, he realized there was no road ahead of him anymore. In front of him, there was an energy wall in white color. He had never seen such a thing ever. As he stuck the finger on the energy screen, he felt so soft.

He pushed the screen but was unable to remove it.

“I guess on the other side of this energy shield, it is the normal world of the Human Realm Upon Heavens...” Ye Xiao said to himself.

He was such an ignorant man who had just arrived at this place. He had taken the battlefield as the normal world of the Human Realm Upon Heavens all this time.

“It turns out I am in a test... Only after breaking this energy shield, I am truly in the Human Realm Upon Heavens...”

Ye Xiao was enlightened.

Although Ye Xiao knew that there were more ancient weapon scraps in this area. If he turned around and went to another direction, he would get to somewhere where he could collect many more of those metallic scraps. However, it took him a long time to finally get to this energy screen, where he believed to be on the entrance of the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Sometimes it was right to give up something. He figured it was much more important to enter the Human Realm Upon Heavens than collecting the materials!

He didn't hesitate, only gathered his full power, and then hit the energy screen hard.

– Puff! –

Ye Xiao was bounced back immediately. The energy screen was incredibly tough. He ran into it in full power, but actually failed to break it!

He didn't believe it, so he tried it again in full power. However, no matter how hard he tried, nothing changed. He felt like he was hitting on a huge rubber ball. He felt like his rushing power was like a mud sculpture sinking into the ocean. Everything was so soft, and he just couldn't break anything. He did everything he could, but the screen just kept bouncing him back again and again. The screen didn't hit him back harder when he hit it harder. Otherwise, he might get smashed by himself.

“What? I can't believe this doesn't work! Fine! You want to show me your softness, right?” Ye Xiao stared at the energy screen and said, “Here is my sword attack!”

He raised up the Stars Sword and then slashed down fiercely.

The Stars Sword truly had an incredibly sharp blade! With a sound of slashing, the energy screen was cut through. It was cut open! Ye Xiao was happy that it finally worked, but before he got through the screen, the energy screen healed immediately!

It looked like it was never cut open before.

“This is weird!”

Ye Xiao took out the Monarch's Sword and cut the screen again, but nothing changed. The energy screen healed so fast that Ye Xiao couldn't do any faster. If he directly rushed through that hole, he would probably get stuck in the energy screen.

Ye Xiao was no longer happy now. He was troubled instead.

The way to the Human Realm Upon Heavens was right in front of him, yet the weird energy screen blocked the way in front of him. He couldn't break it or cut it, then what should he do to get out?

'This is not good!'

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For the next three days, he tried everything he could in front of the energy screen. He had tried to think of every possible method and does anything he knew on the screen. He had used rock, sword, water, fire, and even his teeth...

All in all, no matter what he did, the energy screen remained there unharmed. Ye Xiao was kept inside the energy shield. He couldn't leave this area no matter what he did.

There was nothing else he could think of, so he sat on the floor and said, "I have never seen a test like this ever... This is simply torturing, isn't it? This is even more annoying than Gu Jinlong. I don't have an egg which I can crack anything with anymore!"

The third day ended. Ye Xiao had tried crashing the screen for a whole day, and now he was exhausted. He lay down and leaned on the screen, murmuring, "I am exhausted... You are soft. Fine. You proved it. Can I use you as a cushion at least?"

When he asked the question, he asked it fiercely, but then he suddenly exclaimed. "Ah! What the f*ck!"

As he lay down on the energy screen, he suddenly got through it directly!

At the moment, Ye Xiao was already exhausted, but he was still pushing the screen when he leaned on it. It was surprising that the energy screen didn't resist him at all, and Ye Xiao got through the screen and rolled over to the other side. That was so shocking to Ye Xiao, and he didn't even have time to react before he realized that he was on the other side already.

Ye Xiao was confused and so he said, "What? Is it so? To get through this screen I should not use my real power at all?"

'My heavens... It is just as simple as that...'

He didn't have time to think about this anymore though, because he was in a pretty dangerous situation. He was still rolling, just like he rolled over the energy screen. When he got through the energy screen, the energy wall didn't resist him at all, so he kept rolling over fast. In fact, it wouldn't be so difficult for him to stand up on the ground firmly as long as he could have enough time to do something. It just happened too fast and he couldn't hold himself up. More surprisingly, he realized he was right on top of a cliff.

Which meant he was in the air, beyond the precipice.

In other words, on the other side of that white energy screen, it was a precipice. When Ye Xiao got through the energy screen, he was jumping off the cliff!

He actually jumped off the precipice in an extremely weird way—rolling backward into the air!

He was jumping off the cliff with a backward roll!

As Ye Xiao realized what situation he was in, he couldn't help but exclaim out. He took a breath and tried to control his body. He should at least stop himself from rolling backward in the air!

However, as he tried to rise his qi inside up, he was floating up! He was shocked to notice that his body started to fly up. He wasn't falling, but actually rising.

"What? What is going on?"

That was totally beyond Ye Xiao's expectation. In fact, it was unbelievably great!

In that desolate area, Ye Xiao had cultivated his East-rising Purple Qi to the third level again from the beginning level, so he could rise up in the air by using the spiritual qi. However, it only allowed him to fly up over ten meters and that was all. It was impossible that he could stop in the air and float.

After all, to float in the air like this, he had to fight against the gravity with his own power, to make himself weightless like a feather. Ye Xiao knew that he could never do this himself.

However, he did float up now. He thought about it quickly and got a conclusion. Perhaps, in this place, the gravity was much lighter than the gravity force in the desolate area, so he was powerful enough to float up in the air. Or maybe this place was a special place, where everybody could float up like this. They were the only two possibilities!

What happened had happened, so he decided to accept it, and started to look at the precipice right below his feet.

The cliff was so sharp as if somebody cut this out with a sword slash. The cliff was flat and sharp, shining in dim metallic gloss.

Ye Xiao kept looking at this mountain carefully again and again, and eventually, he confirmed that there was some kind of special metal inside the mountain, which should be rather significant.

As he looked at the mountain, he suddenly came up with a weird thought. "This mountain... The cliff... Well, is it possible that somebody did cut this mountain with one move and created this cliff?"

As he came up with such an idea, he frightened himself a little, so he blamed himself for making things so scary with some weird and unrealistic thoughts. However, as he looked at the cliff longer, he felt it more like a sword cut on the mountain.

Ye Xiao clearly knew how rough and hard the rocks in the mountain could be in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. If this cliff was truly made by somebody's sword slash, then that man...

Ye Xiao took a cold breath.

He was frightened by his own thought!

After a while, he had already risen up to a certain point where he could see the other end of the cliff, so he slightly landed on the mountain.

As he stood firmly on the ground, he looked back but only to be shocked.

'Where is that desolate land?'

'Where is that... soft energy screen?'

'Well, the desolate land may be blocked by the energy screen, but I should be able to at least see the screen!'

'Where is it?'

Now everything in the desolate area became so mysterious to Ye Xiao. Not only the ancient weapon scraps but also many other things in that mysterious area were special for him. The ancient battlefield should be right before his eyes, but all he saw at the moment was a broad green land. Not to mention the desolate land, even that white soft energy screen was gone...

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Chapter 1457: Ye Xiao the Pauper

"How weird!"

Ye Xiao rubbed his head and looked at the red flowers and green grass under his feet. He murmured and said, "What is this place?"

"Coming and going... Why do I feel like I am in a dream?"

Ye Xiao's eyes were full of confusion. He said, "Ascending to the Human Realm Upon Heavens... All the days I have been through earlier... It just feels like dreaming... I don't feel right about this. Why does it feel so weird?"

The poor Xiao Monarch still thought that this was the normal ascending process. He totally had no idea how he was being played and fooled by somebody else.

All in all, since he was here, he should as well stay and made the best of it. Now he actually felt the same as he was in the Qing-Yun Realm.

The spiritual qi in the air was over ten times denser and purer than the Qing-Yun Realm, but that was all. He didn't feel any different about the gravity force anymore. He didn't feel different about anything at all.

He felt so light as if he could float up by thinking of it. It was special.

Since he left that desolate area and got through the energy screen, his power had become twice as in that area!

It truly confused Ye Xiao. He just couldn't think it through...

'Does that mysterious area enhance my cultivation power? Did it double my power back there?'

Within four months, he became twice as powerful as he used to be. That area was not just a good place for cultivation... It was the perfect place for cultivation!

Ye Xiao absolutely had no idea. The mysterious area he just got out from was a real place in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, but nobody had ever entered that place for a long time.

It was indeed a desolate area, a land that was abandoned by heavens!

That area used to be a world beyond the heavens, in which the gods fought their war in the ancient era. The war of gods ruined that world, so after the war, some other great cultivators led the residents out to a new area, which was exactly the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Countless years passed, that ruined area was still a desolate land, but the Human Realm Upon Heavens had been well developed.

The abandoned land had been existing in the myth... Some powerful cultivators knew that there was a desolate area, but nobody had truly entered that place.

Nobody knew where it was.

Ye Xiao was so lucky to have such an experience, but he actually didn't realize it yet.

As he walked down the cliff, he realized there was a small town on the bottom. He was happy that he finally got to see some people, so he walked even faster, and then casually paced into the small town.

Ye Xiao had been living far from people for over a hundred days. At the moment, he finally saw people crowding in the streets, wandering with birds, shopping in the market, and selling by the roadside again. He saw men and women, people with dogs or cats, boys and girls hand in hand, cultivators with swords or sabers walking by. He just felt so familiar with it!

Everything was just like in the Qing-Yun Realm.

However, the cultivators he met in this small town who were carrying their swords or sabers had some kind of aura that was quite fierce. It made Ye Xiao feel that every single cultivator in this world was incredibly powerful... In the sky, there were always some clouds in seven different colors. The spiritual qi was so dense in the air that nowhere in the Qing-Yun Realm could reach...

'That is all. Nothing else changes too much.'

'Wait!'

It seemed he had realized something new, which was a huge difference from the lower realm.

A man was buying some fruits in the market. The fruits he bought were wrapped by a thin layer of fog, making the fruits look pink through the white. It made Ye Xiao feel hungry.

Each of that fruit had a box as its package.

The package didn't surprise Ye Xiao that much though. When he was in the Land of Han-Yang, Boss Wan, Wan Zhenghao used to teach him the three golden rules in market business, brand, package, and appearance. The last two were the most important in the fruits business.

What caught Ye Xiao's eyes was the money they used in the business.

The customer took out a jade coin which shined in white lights from his pocket, and the shopkeeper took it over with a big smile and then took out a lot of yellow jade coins as the change.

Apparently, the white jade coin was much more valuable than the yellow one. Perhaps, one white jade coin was equal to one hundred yellow jade coins, or even more. Ye Xiao wasn't sure about it yet, but the white jade coin must be a large-denomination.

The customer left, and the shopkeeper went on with his small business.

Ye Xiao was stunned.

He reached into his pocket and held the gold in his hand, gritting his teeth.

Apparently, gold, the most dependable money in the Land of Han-Yang and the Qing-Yun Realm was no longer that useful.

Having some gold wasn't a problem. The real problem was that he did not have any of that jade coin.

He was such a capable man, but no one lived without money. Was the famous Xiao Monarch going to become a robber?

Well, there was a further question in his head. What could he get even if he truly became a robber? He couldn't rob those who had the white jade coins, because he must be too weak to do that. Perhaps, he could rob some yellow jade coin from the people in lower positions, but considering how cheap the yellow jade coin was, how many did he have to rob?

Ye Xiao was hesitating, and he was lost in thoughts. Suddenly, there was a disturbance somewhere in front of him. A slim man who looked like a thief was running so fast. This man was so quick that it took him only the time of a blink to rush out a long distance. Somebody was shouting behind his back. "Get him! Catch him! That bastard stole from me..."

Before he finished talking...

A shopkeeper of a steam buns shop stepped out immediately and stopped that thief. The shopkeeper was also unbelievably fast. He was even faster than the thief. On the other side, a woman who was selling fruits nearby flew up to the sky and struck out a long towel. The towel flew out like a white cloud, which looked amazing. An old woman making such an amazing strike, that just didn't seem to make sense...

These two were not all. Over ten of the people who were selling things in this market moved together!

Within seconds, that slim man had been punched down on the floor by those warmhearted shopkeepers. As he fell, a special chain which appeared just like a snake automatically crawled up to the man's body and tied him up.

With some cracking sounds, the chain had locked the man's bones.

After a while, a general wearing a golden armor arrived from the sky, leading a group of soldiers. He thanked the people who helped and then got the thief away.

Things were returned to the man who was stolen from, and he kept showing his gratitude to the general. "I was too careless. Otherwise, this rat would never be able to steal anything from me."

The others all laughed when they heard the man's embarrassing explanation. They didn't feel annoyed at all.

After that, everybody was back to where they ought to be, taking care of their own businesses. Those who sold fish still sold it, and those who sold food still sold their food...

Somebody sold and somebody bought... The market was busy.

The old ladies who were buying things did not even pay more attention to what just happened.

Ye Xiao saw everything, and he took a cold breath. It was shocking.

He tried to match himself to the slim thief who just got caught, and luckily, he was a little stronger than that thief. If he had to fight that man, it would take him no more than five hundred rounds to win the fight...

However, to escape the siege of those shopkeepers was simply impossible. Even ten Ye Xiao together couldn't escape the siege of those powerful men.

If he did go to rob something...

He might get punched to death by those old men and women within five minutes, and he would probably get tied up and sent away by those soldiers...

"Brutal! Insane! Ruthless! That is... horrible..." Ye Xiao's eyes kept rolling.

'What the hell is this place? What the hell are those people? Anyone, any single one of these small retailers could easily kill a top-level superior cultivator in the Qing-Yun Realm... That old woman... Look how she played with that towel! Now compare it to the Ribbon Technique of the Ice Cloud Palace... That towel strike was something from heavens while the ribbon technique was more like some useless trick on the earth. There are indeed always more powerful beings in the world! This is the Human Realm Upon Heavens that everybody was told...' Ye Xiao felt that his outlooks on the world, life, and values were totally turned upside down again.

How life was like a drama. Some people said life was like a dream, and the years that went past was like a song. Ye Xiao used to think that people were just saying, but now he realized that life and reality were truly as cruel as people said!

Ye Xiao kept swallowing but couldn't eat anything. He just kept looking at the food which seemed to be so incredibly delicious. Now that there was some real food in front of him, he truly had lost interest in anything from the Boundless Space anymore...

'I just want to eat something made for human. I just want to take some food. What did I do wrong? What? I don't have the money!' Ye Xiao couldn't feel more upset now. He sighed and complained in his head. *'Oh heavens! Oh, motherland! I am the most powerful person in the Qing-Yun Realm! I just defeated the demons in the Qing-Yun Realm! I am a great cultivator who had done great things! Why am I so pathetic now?'*

'Does everyone who is new to this world have to be this poor and pathetic? Don't we at least deserve a little food to eat?'

In fact, he was more pathetic than he knew about himself, because... not everyone who was new to this world had to be a pauper like him. In fact... The truth was... As a matter of fact... In the million years before him, there was nobody who came to this world as a pauper! He was the poorest and most pathetic man among all those who had newly arrived in this world!

He was the only pauper of them!

A scorpion sh*tting in the sky—there was nobody like him!

“Ahem.” Ye Xiao went to a shop that was selling steamed buns and coughed.

He had seen it clearly that this shopkeeper was the first one who rushed out to catch that thief. He was certain that this shopkeeper was a brilliant cultivator, who had a splendid movement technique that Ye Xiao couldn't ever reach...

“Hi, Brother, do you want some steamed buns? How many do you want?” The big fat shopkeeper smiled and his both eyes narrowed in lines. “One yellow spirit coin for two steamed buns.”

Ye Xiao awkwardly rubbed his nose and said, “Oh, right... Hmm. Here is the problem. I don't... I don't have any money...”

“You don't have money, huh?” The fat shopkeeper didn't show him a friendly face, just squinted at Ye Xiao.

That was obvious. “Look at you, a f*cking pretty boy. You look like a decent man, yet you actually come and shamelessly beg for food? Can this be anymore disgraceful?”

Ye Xiao awkwardly laughed. He understood what the shopkeeper meant for sure, so he was extremely embarrassed. *‘I have never thought that I, the great Xiao Monarch, would become a beggar who is looked down upon by a retailer...’*

If people in the Qing-Yun Realm knew about this, many people would die because of being astonished...

“Well, look... Here is my offer. Could you please give me some steamed buns and accept something from me as an exchange?” Ye Xiao asked.

“What do you have for me?”

The fat shopkeeper looked at Ye Xiao. “You are a damn pauper who can't even afford a steamed bun. What can you offer me?”

“Please have a look. How many steamed buns do you think I can get for this?” Ye Xiao took out a Cinnabar Fruit and held it in the hand carefully.

“Oh, Cinnabar Fruit...” The fat shopkeeper rolled his eyeballs up. That wasn't the reaction Ye Xiao expected. The shopkeeper said, “This Cinnabar Fruit may not be common out in the wild, but it isn't rare either. It provides some spiritual qi, poorly limited spiritual qi, and that is all. Look, I don't want to hurt you feeling... Fine. Just put your fruit away. I don't want it. Take two steamed buns as a gift and go.”

Then he wrapped two steamed buns and handed them over to Ye Xiao. He continued talking like an old man giving a lesson to the kid. “Little Brother, you look like a decent man. Look at your pretty face. Come on, figure something out to earn some money and feed yourself. It won't last long if you keep begging for food. How are you supposed to survive the Human Realm Upon Heavens? Moreover, you won't be able to find yourself a wife here! Girls in this world now are all pretty realistic.”

Ye Xiao was embarrassed and he didn't know what to say. His lips twisted, and he hastily turned around and left.

“I am not a beggar!” Ye Xiao seriously said. However, the fat shopkeeper obviously didn't believe him.

“Forget it. Look, take this thing instead, for the steamed buns.” Ye Xiao blushed, and then took out something from the Boundless Space and put it into the fat shopkeeper’s hands. He hastily left.

He couldn’t stay anymore, because it was too embarrassing.

Most importantly, he didn’t know whether the thing he gave the shopkeeper was valuable enough for the two steamed buns. The ultimate-level Cinnabar Fruit was the most valuable treasure Ye Xiao had in the Boundless Space, yet it didn’t seem to be as valuable as he thought in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. If the thing he took out next didn’t worth anything either, Ye Xiao would never be able to end the embarrassment ever!

“Wait! Please wait... Hold on...” The fat shopkeeper didn’t sound the same man all of a sudden. He hurriedly caught up with Ye Xiao and grabbed his hand. It had been only a few seconds, but he was already sweating as he had run for a long time. “Brother, come on... Brother... Wait... I didn’t know... I... I was wrong... I should have been more polite... You... I... Please... Take it back now... You... You can have as many steamed buns as you want... Just take them... This thing... Please, I can’t take it... Show me mercy, and take it back... Don’t fool me around...”

Ye Xiao was grabbed by the shopkeeper, and he actually couldn’t get rid of him. That fat shopkeeper was truly some extraordinary people. In fact, the shopkeeper truly wanted to stop Ye Xiao.

Ye Xiao thought for one second and then turned around, only to see the fat shopkeeper’s face all turn red. His small eyes were widely open, and he was gasping, staring at Ye Xiao. He was dragging Ye Xiao’s arm, but slightly bowing down. Ye Xiao thought that the man was going to kneel down at any second.

While the shopkeeper used one hand to grab Ye Xiao, he used the other hand to push the thing back to Ye Xiao.

I felt like that thing had burned his hand, hurt his heart, and he couldn’t have it in the hand for any longer.

Ye Xiao looked at the thing in the man’s hand, which was slightly smaller than a man’s fist, which was shining green metallic gloss. It appeared like all the dark blue deep down in an ocean all gathered inside that metal block.

At the moment, many people were staring at that green metal block.

Their faces were all changed. They didn’t seem to be peaceful anymore.

Ye Xiao was surprised.

He did not have a choice, so he gave that fat man the metal block. He thought that the shopkeeper would refuse such a worthless thing, so he decided to leave quickly. For him, that metal block was probably nothing!

After all, it was something he extracted from the junks he had collected from that desolate land. There was a small mountain in the Boundless Space that was made of such metal. He had just grabbed the smallest piece out to exchange for the steamed buns...

He just didn’t understand why everybody reacted like that!

'Really?'

'Is this necessary? Really?'

Ye Xiao looked at the fat shopkeeper, and his eyes were full of confusion. He just couldn't figure out what was truly happening.

The fat shopkeeper was sweating badly on his forehead. His lips were going to become blue. With a shaking voice, he said, "Big brother... I wasn't with my eyes back there... I should have been polite to you... This is the Star Trace Iron you gave me. Please take it back... I... I don't think I can take it... I don't dare..."

"Star Trace Iron?" Ye Xiao didn't take the metal, but blandly said, "It is a block of Star Trace Iron, so what? Don't you think it is enough for the two steamed buns of yours?"

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Chapter 1458: What is Money?

Ye Xiao was a pretty smart man. He might be shocked for a while, but then he realized what it truly was. Only a few words from the fat shopkeeper and he knew how things went on. The Star Trace Iron might mean nothing to himself, but it truly was valuable, at least for the people in this market. It must be some wonderful material. Things were turned around, so he was now in a much higher position in this debate. He seemed to be calm and blank but was, in fact, arrogant like a lone wolf among some sheep. What a cunning person intoxicated by success!

As expected, that fat shopkeeper caved when Ye Xiao pretended this. The fat man shed more sweats on his forehead, and his clothes were soaked.

People around them all showed a complicated expression on the face. Everybody kept watching over, and some of them seemed to be gloating.

The fat shopkeeper stood straight a little, and said, "I was being stupid. I was stuck-up! I should have recognized how important you are! Big brother, please, could you come to my shop so we can have a talk? I can see how you must have traveled a long way. You must be tired and hungry after the long journey. Otherwise, how would you pay attention to my stupid steamed buns? How about this... I will make a full table of food and liquor for you, and you can take a good rest and enjoy the feast. Take it as my warm welcome..."

The fat shopkeeper looked at Ye Xiao with supplication in his eyes.

Some soldiers who were wearing armors were walking over to them. They were approaching.

As the soldiers walked closer, the fat shopkeeper seemed to be more anxious. He was sweating so bad.

Ye Xiao thought for a while and nodded. He accepted the fat shopkeeper's invitation.

The fat shopkeeper didn't say any words again, just dragged Ye Xiao back into the shop behind the steaming wok of steamed buns, and then he hurriedly pulled down the door of the shop. He didn't even take his steamed buns back in...

“Oh heavens... It scared me to death out there.” The fat shopkeeper’s face turned gray, and he kept wiping the cold sweats on his forehead. It seemed he was still frightened.

“What is wrong with you?” Ye Xiao was surprised, so he asked.

The fat shopkeeper looked at Ye Xiao like he was an alien. He said, “What is wrong with me? Did you just ask me that? Brother, you have a piece of Star Trace Iron, yet you still came to this low-grade area of ours... You... You... You are totally setting us up!”

Ye Xiao was confused. “This is a block of Star Trace Iron... So what?”

The fat shopkeeper showed him a smile, which was uglier than a crying face. “Brother, please, is this your first day out in the martial world or what?”

Ye Xiao frankly said, “You have a pair of sharp eyes.”

The fat shopkeeper was shocked.

‘I have a pair of sharp eyes?’

‘What? Why? Do I? What does he mean...’

Then he widely opened both eyes, staring at Ye Xiao. “Do you mean... that this is truly the first day you come out to the martial world?”

Ye Xiao smiled bashfully and said, “That’s right... That is why I think you have a pair of sharp eyes...”

The fat shopkeeper almost blacked out.

“I see... No wonder...” The fat shopkeeper twisted his mouth. In a shaking voice, he said, “Your families should really care more about you... How could they just let you out like this... You even have to pay for two steamed buns with a piece of Star Trace Iron...”

In fact, he was thinking, *‘I see. So this is it. It makes sense now. This is the most reasonable explanation after all. This man here is new to the martial world... Damn... That scared the hell out of me.’*

“You have no idea, my friend. They brought me here, and then threw me down from upon the clouds...” Ye Xiao didn’t even blink when he made up the story. “They said I needed to be trained in this place... Fine. I could do it. I accepted it. But they didn’t even prepare some money for me. For the last couple of days, I ate so many Cinnabar Fruits that I wanted to throw up because of the smell of it. I am so lucky today to finally see a small town here.”

After he returned from death, in the second life—Ye Xiao had been influenced a lot by the cunning Zuo Wuji. Now he was good at figuring out what others were thinking. When he said that he was new to the martial world, he noticed the change of the expression on the fat shopkeeper’s face.

There must be something the fat shopkeeper didn’t say or didn’t want to say. Whatever it was, it would benefit Ye Xiao a lot, so he decided to make use of it!

“Upon the clouds...” The fat shopkeeper shed cold sweats on the forehead again.

People who were able to throw people down from upon the clouds were all influential figures in the world... Ordinary people in this world could never do that!

The fat shopkeeper's face was shaking.

'This guy must be here to complete some super mission!'

"Didn't your families tell you anything else about what you should do here?" The fat shopkeeper asked.

"Of course, they did! They kept repeating it again and again. They told me not to embarrass our ancestors..." Ye Xiao acted like he didn't want to relive the memory. "If I don't behave, they will take all my money away... That is going to kill me. How am I supposed to know how to not embarrass my ancestors? I can't do this, or that... Oh, right! You have to admit that I did pay you with my Star Trace Iron when I bought the steamed buns from you. I didn't rob, or steal anything. I wasn't bullying anybody. I did not disgrace anybody... If someone asks you about that, you must tell them the truth. Otherwise, I will probably lose all my money. If that happens, I will not go easy with you... Be careful..."

The fat shopkeeper didn't understand, but he wouldn't dare to say no. "Yes, of course. What happened between us was a fair deal. I gave you my steamed buns and I did not want anything in return... The steamed buns are a gift that shows my respect... Well, I just don't understand why money means that much to you? Even if they take away all your money, so what? Do you really have to be so upset about it?"

A young lord in a wealthy family would never care about some money. It just didn't make sense!

Ye Xiao rolled up his eyes and said, "What do you know? My money is important! I need to play card with my pals! Who would play with me if I don't have money? We card players only show respect to money, not to people! You have no money, you are out! I don't really like that card game so much. I just can't get humiliated! Do you understand?"

The fat shopkeeper told his wife to cook for Ye Xiao and then talked to him and said, "Young Master, may I ask about your money... Is it all in purple spirit coins? How many do you have?"

The man thought that he could finally know about how rich a young master of a wealthy family could be. He was always curious about the life of these young lords, so he figured he could learn something today.

"Purple spirit coins? I have no idea what it is." Ye Xiao shook his head and said, "What is purple spirit coin?"

The fat shopkeeper was almost freaked out.

"Don't you know about the purple spirit coin? What do you use as money then?"

Ye Xiao reached out one hand with a small pile of Star Trace Iron in it. He said, "Well, these little things. This is quite different from the coins you use in this place, but trust me, what I gave to you is definitely enough for two steamed buns..."

The fat shopkeeper's two eyes nearly shot out of his eye frames. He was suddenly astounded.

“Oh, what does this mean? What is it? Don’t you agree? Fine. Let me show you more. You should at least recognize one of them, shouldn’t you?” Ye Xiao put away the Star Trace Iron, and then grabbed out several pieces of other metallic materials.

Some of them were full of gloss, some of them were shining lights, some of them were dark and dim, and the others were all different...

“Oh heavens...” The fat shopkeeper felt numb in the knees and nearly fell down. “Oh, my heavens...” He groaned.

‘This young master took out so many kinds of metals, and I don’t recognize them all. I can only recognize three of them.’

‘One is the Star Trace Iron, which he has shown me earlier, one is the humble Horizon Rock, and the last one is the Brocade Steel which was the most shining one. I have no idea what the others are.’

‘My question is...’

‘Any tiny piece of these materials is a priceless treasure.’

‘Even in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, such a high-grade realm in the universe, these materials are rare! Some of them only exist in the stories!’

‘This man here actually uses them in a card game? He wagers them on a card game?’

‘What kind of a great family clan is this? What kind of a great sect is it?’

‘You can’t be more extravagant, can you? This is so unbelievable...’

The fat shopkeeper truly had no idea how to think of it further!

When the fat shopkeeper heard that it was Ye Xiao’s first time to come out to the martial world, he did think about taking advantage of the young lord. However, now he did not have any thought of it anymore.

He was actually afraid that Ye Xiao might know about his secret thought!

‘That is such a big guy in the world... If I have done anything bad to him, I would be...’

‘It doesn’t matter if my little plan will go well or not, because messing with this guy will definitely ruin my future!’

‘I might get broken today.’

‘The entire town might get wiped out because of me.’

‘Those who are in high positions in this world always like to vent their anger towards innocent people. Living in the same place with their enemy is something unforgettable for them. How would they care about the lives of some ants? They won’t mind if we all die!’

As they were talking, the fat shopkeeper’s wife had already done cooking, and she was bringing up the foods and drinks to the table. The fat shopkeeper fawned on Ye Xiao smiled and said with a drink in the

hand, "Young Master, come on. This is the fruit wine we made ourselves. Small things in a small place. Perhaps, you will find it interesting. I surely know that it is worthless, but it shows my respect to you."

Ye Xiao didn't hesitate, he just raised the cup and drank up the wine. Suddenly, he felt a wonderful scent blooming inside his mouth. He felt warm in the stomach. That was definitely the best liquor he had ever drunk in the Qing-Yun Realm. What an excellent liquor!

However, he pretended to frown and cough, and then said, "Well, such a wild thing indeed. It is full of cheap fruit flavor. However, it is interesting."

The fat shopkeeper chuckled. He knew what this young lord meant. *'Of course, you don't like it. All you drink before is the best liquors in the world. How would you like this low-grade drinks in this small town?'* He chuckled and said, "Forgive me. This is the best we have. Hah hah..."

Ye Xiao nodded and then had another drink.

The fat shopkeeper stayed with him all night, serving him like a servant. He thought, *'This young lord is so rich and generous. If I can connect to him, I may get the chance to leave this small place! That is one step to the top of the world!'*

'Even if I don't get that lucky, it would be great to be somebody he remembers. Perhaps, my grandchildren will be benefited from this...'

Therefore, he served Ye Xiao even better.

"My friend... You mentioned that yellow spirit coin and purple spirit coin... What are they exactly? Is it the money you use here?" Ye Xiao asked while he was eating the tasty food.

"Ahem... Cough, cough..." The fat shopkeeper apparently believed it now.

He was sure that this man was a young lord from a great family clan who had no idea how the real world worked.

He believed Ye Xiao was strictly protected by his family clan.

That was the reason why the young lord had no idea what those coins meant.

"In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, there are four kinds of coins, which is known as money for us. The yellow spirit coin has the lowest denomination... Ahem. In fact, normal people, citizens in the world, all use yellow spirit coins for life. We use it to buy things, and we sell things to earn it. White spirit coin has a higher denomination. One white spirit coin is equal to one hundred yellow spirit coins. If people like us can earn about forty white spirit coins, we will be called a successful businessman. The next one with an even higher denomination is the black spirit coin. One black spirit coin is equal to one hundred white spirit coins. People use the black ones only when they are having a deal with big quantity. The purple spirit coin that I mentioned is rare. One purple spirit coin is equal to ten thousand black spirit coin..."

The fat shopkeeper took out a few coins and put them on the table when he explained how much each of them was.

(Author's Note: Ahem. Take the Chinese Yuan that we use most as an example. If one yellow spirit coin means 1 CNY, then a white spirit coin is 100 CNY. A black spirit coin is 10000 CNY... A purple spirit coin? Well... Ahem... That's 100000000 CNY... a hundred million.)

"Where is the purple spirit coin? Don't you have a purple spirit coin?" Ye Xiao looked at the coins on the table and asked.

"Purple spirit coin... Please... How can I possibly have that..." The fat shopkeeper's face turned red and he said, "Purple spirit coin is only used in some high-level transactions. It is a supreme level currency. I am just a small retailer... People like me will never be able to get even one purple spirit coin... I... I am just a man who sells steamed buns..."

"Oh. I am sorry. I should have never said that." Ye Xiao grinned and apologized insincerely.

The wife of the fat shopkeeper made a sigh and squinted at the fat man. She said, "I guess I must have done something really terrible in the last life. Otherwise, how am I supposed to marry you, a bloody pauper? Half of my life is gone, and all we have is far less than one purple spirit coin..."

The fat shopkeeper blushed and he said, "How can you say that? Do you really think you have a choice? If you are really that beautiful, you would have married a rich guy, wouldn't you? Look at you, a bloody troll with a terrible looking face. Of course, I know I am poor, but you are ugly..."

His wife turned furious all of a sudden, and she started to shout in a sharp voice, "What did you just say? You big fat bastard! I used to be gorgeous! How can you deny that? You bloody pauper... I had to live your pathetic life when I was pretty! I was busy working for you, you big fat rat! That is why I lost my beauty... How dare you call me a troll? Shame on you..."

The couple was going to have a fight.

Ye Xiao hurriedly coughed loudly to stop them.

The husband and wife immediately stopped, and both looked embarrassed.

"Ahem... What does this place belong to, by the way?" Ye Xiao asked.

"This is the East End of the East Sky..." The fat shopkeeper nearly broke down when he heard the question. *'Come on, my lord... You are right here with me, and you actually don't know where this place is? I don't think people will believe it if I told them this! Oh, I believe you though!'*

"What is the East Sky? I mean... What does it exactly mean? There must be some background stories about it, right?" Ye Xiao asked.

The fat shopkeeper staggered.

'Did he just ask me what the East Sky is?'

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Chapter 1459: Where a Dream Got Wrecked!

What was the East Sky?

It wasn't difficult to answer this question, but it was almost absurd to ask such a question. This young lord here was indeed ignorant!

"There are five main areas in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. They are called the East, West, South, North, and Glaze Skies." The fat shopkeeper decided to give this young ignorant lord a lesson. "The East, West, South, North, and Glaze Skies are the East Sky, the West Sky, the North Sky, the South Sky, and the Glaze Sky."

"This place here, where we are right now, is a small town at the easternmost point of the East Sky. Capable men never want to live in this place. This is an abandoned town of the East Sky. It is a place nobody likes."

"I see." Ye Xiao said, "Why five? Why are there only five main areas in the Human Realm Upon Heavens? I mean... It is such a big world..."

'There is only one sky! Everybody knows it! Some so-called great cultivators, the most influential ones, divided the world into five parts, and that is all.' The fat shopkeeper complained in his heart but didn't say it out. He said, "It is just how people state it. Five skies—means five areas. In fact, every sky has some empty areas... Which aren't supposed to be a part of the five regions..."

"According to the ancient stories, there used to be nine conquerors in the ancient era in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Now we have five... There should be four more conquerors to make enough power stands for the balance.

"However, for so many years, no new conquerors appeared ever."

"That is why those empty areas eventually become something where ambitious cultivators train themselves... Well, nobody truly takes control of those areas." The fat shopkeeper talked in high spirit as if he was the hero of the world who was showing off his own world.

"Hmm. That must be somewhere to go..." Ye Xiao nodded and thought for a while. He said, "I should go to the empty areas for some training. I should try to take one, and perhaps, I will become a conqueror too..."

The fat shopkeeper did not dare to continue the conversation now.

'Oh, no. That is something you should never casually speak out...'

'Any careless words will get you killed.'

"My friend, may I ask you a question? How is your cultivation level? What level are you at?" Ye Xiao looked at the fat shopkeeper.

"I... I am only at level seven of the Mystery Origin Stage. That is awkward..." The fat shopkeeper seemed to feel ashamed.

"Oh..." Ye Xiao nodded, and then asked the man a few more questions and finally got to know the exact stages of cultivation in the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

Beyond the Dao Origin Stage, in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, there were more stages. They were the Mystery Origin Stage, the Faery Origin Stage, the Divinity Origin Stage, and the Saint Origin Stage.

Beyond the Saint Origin Stage, it was the stage of those great conquerors of the world—One Spirit Stage.

“You are quite young, yet you have already reached level six of the Mystery Origin Stage. That is pretty impressive...” The fat shopkeeper looked at Ye Xiao but had no idea what more he could say to flatter the young master anymore, so he felt a little awkward.

Ye Xiao’s face slightly turned green and he said, “Please, don’t mention it... I have suffered a lot because of my cultivation level... I got beaten so many times that I can’t count... My families always say that I am a talented cultivator, but I just don’t like martial arts... There is simply nothing I can do...”

‘I can see that.’

The fat shopkeeper nodded and thought, *‘If you could work harder, with the wonderful background and opportunity you have, and good physical condition, you could have been much stronger than you are now.’*

“May I ask you a question, young master? How old are you?” The fat shopkeeper seemed to ask a funny question, but it was realistic.

“Oh, I would prefer not to talk about the wasted years of my life... I am already nineteen now...” Ye Xiao drank up the liquor and said, “Nineteen years are wasted... Long but meaningless...”

“Nineteen years? Wasted? Long? Nineteen?” The fat shopper almost stared his eyes out, and he felt like countless alpacas kept running across his mind.

‘You are nineteen?’

‘Nineteen years, and you told me it is a long but meaningless time? What is wrong with you?’

“Yes. I wasted all the nineteen years of mine. Nineteen long years... In the past nineteen years, I have spent no longer than...” Ye Xiao thought for a while and continued, “No more than one year... on cultivation...”

The fat shopkeeper staggered.

“Well, then... How did you... Why... How come you can reach this level in cultivation if you spent only such a short time on it?” The fat shopkeeper couldn’t believe what he just heard.

“What do you mean how? Medicines. Of course.” Ye Xiao rolled his eyes and said, “They force me to eat those medicines... Damn it! Before I came here, for over half a year, I ate those things every day. They said those were the most valuable cultivation medicines, but... F*ck them... What the hell are those things! I can feel my intestines turning green because of those things! I know that you think the steamed buns are just some worthless food for you. Trust me. If you keep eating those fruits and roots for as long as I did, you will swallow the steamed buns like you can’t live without them!”

He definitely meant it!

For the past half a year, he did eat a lot of the valuable medical materials every day. Those were treasures in the Qing-Yun Realm, but they weren’t anymore in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. The Cinnabar Fruit was a good example...

However, those were still valuable materials, so he did not lie at all!

The fat shopkeeper was shocked by this young lord, and his face kept shaking because of the astonishment.

*'Holy f*ck!'*

He felt like a lot of alpacas running in his heart again.

'You ate those medical materials every day... like they are some food...'

'I... I... I... If somebody forced me to eat things like that every day... I would have at least reached the Faery Origin Stage...'

He kind of wanted to cry in tears when he thought of it.

'One should never compare to others. You never know how much miserable your life can be until you meet somebody like this guy!'

'It is important to be born to a good family. To be born as a member of a great family, one can spend less time in the hard works—not just one hundred years, but a lifetime, two lifetimes, even five lifetimes!'

After the delicious food and tasty wine, Ye Xiao had learned enough about the new world.

However, there was still a big problem. He hadn't obtained his identity yet.

The fat shopkeeper lit up his eyes when he heard that Ye Xiao didn't have an identity certificate. He started to imagine the background of this young lord. *'He doesn't even have an identity certificate! Well, then he must be a member of a reclusive family clan. He comes from a powerful clan. It is certain now...'*

"Well, you need the government to make you an identity certificate. It is a special certificate. You won't be able to get it here in this town." The fat shopper mumbled and said, "This is an abandoned town... in the easternmost point of the main area... People like us... Most of us couldn't live on out there, and that is why we moved to this place. All we want is to feed ourselves and live in peace. There are no capable men among us... Ahem..."

"This area here, they call it..."

"They call it the Land of Wrecked Dreams."

When the fat shopkeeper spoke out the words Land of Wrecked Dreams, his face turned red.

"The Land of Wrecked Dreams..."

Ye Xiao mumbled out the words, and his face looked weird all of a sudden.

"That is right. There are abandoned places like this in every main area... Well, there are a lot like us..."

The fat shopkeeper sighed and said, "In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, power means everything. The more powerful one speaks louder. Winners survive, and the losers die. Nobody complains about being defeated, because it won't help! When people out in the martial world feel that there is no hope for further development out there, they might choose to live a peaceful life somewhere... This is where they

will choose to spend the rest of their lives. They left the martial world and live their small lives in an abandoned land... counting days of the rest of their lives..."

"You get the peace and the time, but you lose the dream. Your life will never be different anymore."

"Your enemies will let you go because you have surrendered. A peaceful life is the biggest enemy for cultivators..."

"In this world, dreams can be broken. The Land of Wrecked Dreams is where the dreams get replaced by peace..."

"In the Land of Wrecked Dreams, there are many old guys like me. Kids under ten years old will be sent out as soon as possible..."

"Kids have dreams... We will let them go. We hope that they never come back to this place. However, reality is cruel."

The fat shopkeeper seemed to be sad.

"The Land of Wrecked Dreams is under strict protection from the government. They protect the weak ones. In fact, it was also supervision..."

"People can enter this place easily, but leaving this place is a totally different story. When a man has settled in this area, he may suddenly feel like going out to fight more for his life again. Well, it is possible, but it is difficult. To really leave this place, he will have to get through the Nine Death Trials in the Land of Wrecked Dreams. Those who passed the nine challenges will get the permission to go out and pick up the dreams again. Those who can't pass them should give up or they will be killed in the Nine Death Trials!"

The fat shopkeeper sighed.

"Because when you have already given up on your dream, you have no rights to take it back. When you want to stand up and fight for it again, you have to pay for what you have done."

"The price is most likely your life."

"The Nine Death Trials means there are at least nine times one will have to face death in the trials. Only those who survive all the trials, in the end, gets a second chance to run under the bright light and chase after the greatness in the world."

"No pain, no gain. You got to give up something you have for something else you want!"

"As a matter of fact, people like us are never going to leave this place. We are people who have no dreams anymore. We just live the rest of our lives here."

The fat shopkeeper sighed.

"Wait... Does it mean... that if I want to go out, I will have to get through the Nine Death Trials too?" Ye Xiao was frightened.

"Well... Yes. You sure do. Kids under ten years can leave without the Nine Death Trials." The fat shopkeeper seemed to be surprised. "That is why I was shocked. I don't understand why your families

would throw you down to this place. I know that people like you need to be steeled, but I really don't think they should send you down here. Difficulties in this place are just too many for you to overcome..."

Ye Xiao was totally numb!

Now he finally realized one thing, which was the most important thing for him now! He did not ascend to the Human Realm Upon Heavens in a normal way!

He was definitely set up!

He was totally f*cked up!

When he collected a lot of materials, he was a bit overjoyed, because he thought he was so lucky. At this moment, the arrogance was completely gone!

"Damn it! Ah!" Ye Xiao raged up in fury. "Who the hell is f*cking with me? Can this even be any worse? Come on!"

At this moment, his anger was rising up to cover the entire sky.

He was so upset and angry at the same time, and he wanted to slaughter whoever set him up...

He had never thought that he would be so f*cked up when he just ascended to the new world...

How could he possibly get away from it then?

He was so bullied!

When others ascended, they ascended in the same way, like every regular cultivator who ascended. In fact, they were all especially taken care of when they arrived in this new world. While Ye Xiao ascended to the new world, he was sent to a desolate land, where there was nothing, nothing normal at all. For almost half a year, he spent the time traveling alone in a wasted area. After all the hard works, he finally left that desolate world, but ended up falling into the Land of Wrecked Dreams!

It was a place where the people without dreams resided. If he wanted to leave this hopeless area, he had to go through the Nine Death Trials! It didn't seem to be hopeful at all! He had to face death nine times! With his current cultivation power, Ye Xiao was definitely going to die in the trials!

"Bastard! Bastard! Bastards! Ah..." Suddenly, a blurred image of a man came up in his mind, but he captured it and recognized the man's face, so he started to shout furiously. "Ji Mo! It is you! You bastard! I must be you! Nobody would do all this sh*tty thing between two realms to set me up except you! You must wait! You must wait for the day when I beat you up to death! Do you really think you are invincible? Huh? You f*cking shameless bastard! You cunning rat..."

Ye Xiao kept shouting abuse toward the sky for almost an hour.

The fat shopkeeper, who stayed with him all this time, had gotten his face turned green, and then blue, and then purple, and then dark, and then colorless... That was just like a face changing magic trick!

His eyelids kept rising up, and he nearly passed out.

Ye Xiao was truly furious at the moment. He didn't pretend anything at all, and it was obvious.

That was why the fat shopkeeper was so frightened. He could have been frightened to death.

'What did he say? What did this young lord say? He said...'

'He was set up? Somebody sent him to the Land of Wrecked Dreams?'

'Well, it seems normal... People do that all the time.'

*'But... What did he say next? The sh*tty thing between two realms?'*

'That indicates a lot...'

'Between two realms...'

'Oh my good great mother!'

'What a super cultivator it must be!'

The fat shopkeeper did not experience a lot in his limited life, but he was a local resident in the Human Realm Upon Heavens after all. He could tell the truth from some words Ye Xiao said. Because of what Ye Xiao said, he knew that what happened to this young lord was far beyond his knowledge. The only feeling he had in his heart was fear!

Ye Xiao shouted for a long time, but it didn't vent his anger, so he drank a big bowl of liquor and asked the fat shopkeeper. "Is it sure that I have to go through the Nine Death Trials to leave the Land of Wrecked Dreams? Only after I leave this place, I can register and get my own identity certificate. Is it right?"

"Yes, it is. You can only do the identity register in some big cities. Mid-range cities do not have this department." The fat shopkeeper was shaking when he answered the question.

"F*ck! F*ck it! I am so f*cked up to death this time!" Ye Xiao was truly frustrated this time.

When one was fooled too many times, he broke down.

In the further conversation, Ye Xiao learned that normally, people who ascended to this world would go through the ablution in the wash pond and automatically finish the identity register. After the identity register, these new members of the Human Realm Upon Heavens could go anywhere they wanted in this world...

However, when it came to Ye Xiao...

People did nothing and things were automatically done for them. He had wasted nearly half a year but still got hang in the middle of nowhere. As far as he was concerned, he even had to get through some trials that could most likely get him killed before he could get himself registered in this world.

Even if he successfully got through the trials and left the Land of Wrecked Dreams, he still had to travel a long way to a big city for the register, and it was possible that he would fail to finish the register!

It seemed... that another half a year was not enough for him to get all these things done.

After all, he spent almost half a year just to get out of that strange area.

The others just arrived and got everything done, while he had to spend over a year to do those things...

What a huge difference!

“Why do you have to f*ck me up like this? Why?” Ye Xiao was so angry that he felt like his intestines were burning.

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“That guy is really clever... He actually knows who is fooling with him. What a smart man.” Somewhere else, someone was gloating.”

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Realms In The Firmament

Chapter 1460: The Nine Death Trials; Member of the Ye Clan

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‘Now... I need to cultivate... I have to improve myself to an upper grade.’ Ye Xiao clearly knew what he should do.

The Nine Death Trials was the obstruction of the way out from the Land of Wrecked Dreams to the outside world. It wouldn’t be easy to go through all the nine trials.

The entire world spent a great deal of resources to keep the Land of Wrecked Land out of the real world. All they wanted was to let these men without dreams live and die in peace. They had to make sure nothing went wrong.

When somebody chose to enter the Land of Wrecked Dreams, he automatically took the protection from the East Sky. As one had received the protection from the East Sky, it would be improper to go out and stir up some disturbance in the world again... It just wouldn’t be easy!

The fatty frankly told Ye Xiao that all those who wanted to go out for their dreams again died in the Nine Death Trials. No exception.

“You can have a dream in this world.”

“You can chase after it, and fight for it.”

“When you feel powerless and hopeless, when you decide to give up, you have an opportunity to live the rest of your life in peace. All you need to do is to enter the Land of Wrecked Dreams. In the Land of Wrecked Dreams, you will find the peace you need for the rest of your meaningless life.

“You have lost your dream, so you should humbly live a normal life and stop thinking too much about the outside world.”

“It is a virtue to always know where your place is.”

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Things in this steamed buns shop were all done. Ye Xiao made sure that there was nothing else he could learn from the fat shopkeeper anymore, so he gave the smallest piece of the Star Trace Iron he had to the shopkeeper as a gift. The fat shopkeeper got his face entirely turned red and almost passed out.

He wasn't frightened or something, but was just too shocked with joy!

He had his own story.

The fat shopkeeper had been working hard for a lifetime, but it wouldn't be enough to earn even one purple spirit coin.

However, ten thousand purple spirit coins were not enough to buy a tiny piece of Star Trace Iron!

Star Trace Iron was some priceless special metal in the world!

For the cultivators in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, it had to be extremely lucky to own a piece of Star Trace Iron, and it was not just about money.

People thought so because the Star Trace Iron was special and rare. One-tenth of the small piece of the Star Trace Iron that Ye Xiao gave the fat shopkeeper was enough to make a normal weapon into a divine weapon!

To enhance weapons was the most normal thing the Star Trace Iron could do!

What made the Star Trace Iron so valuable was that a tiny piece of the Star Trace Iron that was made into the weapon could turn the weapon into a material with memory. No matter how badly the weapon got damaged, all it needed was time to recover. It didn't need to be reforged and it would become new again!

Its power would not be decreased at all! It was amazing!

That was why the Star Trace Iron was so important and valuable. One tiny piece of the Star Trace Iron could lead to a massacre in the world because people would fight for it.

The fat shopkeeper never expected that he could get such a great treasure as a return because all he had done was merely offering Ye Xiao some food and told him some common knowledge in this world. The fat man was so touched and his eyes were filled with warm tears. That was why he respected Ye Xiao so much afterward.

As a return to Ye Xiao's generousness, the fat shopkeeper offered Ye Xiao a room in his home. Clothes, food, and drinks—the fat shopkeeper gave Ye Xiao everything he needed.

Ten days after, Ye Xiao decided to go for the Nine Death Trials. The fat shopkeeper kindly dissuaded Ye Xiao from the terrible trials, but Ye Xiao didn't listen.

He had made up his mind to try to get through the trials in the Land of Wrecked Dreams!

"Fatty, you were once an experienced cultivator in the martial world. You know how a precious stone can land its innocent possessor in jail. The Star Trace Iron will not be well used in this place. If you have a child someday, and you don't want him to stay in the Land of Wrecked Dreams, tell him to come to find me with that Star Trace Iron!"

“My name is Ye Xiao. You better remember it!

“I will only recognize that Star Trace Iron, not the person who had it!”

Ye Xiao said to the shopkeeper, and suddenly his eyes shined sharply as if he was challenging the entire world with his sword. “I promise! My name, Ye Xiao, will be famous in the Human Realm Upon Heavens! I am sure!”

“Young master, take care!” The fat shopkeeper nodded and said, “If I have a boy or a girl, I will tell him or her to find you. Only the Star Trace Iron proves my child. I won’t forget!”

Ye Xiao solemnly nodded.

Before Ye Xiao said anything, the fat shopkeeper gave him a cloth bag and pushed it into his hands.

“Young master, here are one hundred white spirit coins in it. As you know, I am not a capable man. I am weak in cultivation, and I am not a successful businessman either... Here. One hundred white spirit coins are all I have.

“Please accept it. In fact, these coins don’t mean a lot to me in this Land of Wrecked Dreams. Don’t look down upon me, please. I have lived my part in the martial world before. I am not ignorant.”

“One more thing. I asked my wife to make two buckets of steamed buns... Take them. I know you have a spatial tool, so just put the buns into it. Whenever you are hungry, just eat some. It’s steaming hot yet.”

“Take care, Young Master.”

“You too, my friend.”

Ye Xiao didn’t refuse those things. He just put them into the Boundless Space without hesitation, and then turned around to leave the town.

The fat shopkeeper kept watching him off for a long time with a pair of profound eyes.

The shopkeeper’s wife walked close to him slowly, looking at Ye Xiao’s back, and said, “Do you think he can make it?”

“Yes! I am sure he can!” The fat shopkeeper seemed to be sure.

“Did he... What he said... Is it real? The Star Trace Iron is something great. I know. However, for people like us, living in the Land of Wrecked Dreams, it is not certainly more valuable than the white spirit coin. Do you really think it is worth giving him all you have?”

“Yes, I do. Why not? You and me, we are people without dreams. Well, our child is not!”

“Oh? So... You really want our child to find him? Wasn’t it just a nice word? I thought you were just saying it for being polite!”

“I meant every word I said! Of course, I do!”

The fat shopkeeper took a deep breath and said, “The Star Trace Iron doesn’t mean much for people in this place, but not everybody in this world can be this generous! He just gave me a piece of Star Trace Iron!”

“Well...”

“What? What we should do is to have a baby as soon as we can! We must work harder on it! Do you understand?”

Then he laughed loudly and held his wife’s waist with one arm. The wife was flirtatiously grumbling, and then the couple had entered their room.

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“Is it you? Do you want to go for the Nine Death Trials?”

A man in golden armor, who seemed to be an officer, stared at Ye Xiao with no facial expression.

“Yes, I do.”

“What is your name?”

“Ye Xiao!

“Age?”

“Nineteen.”

“What? Nineteen? Are you just nineteen years old?” The officer in golden armor exclaimed. There was finally an expression on his face.

In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, many people knew how to stay young. It was easy to even stay looking like a child by cultivating some special martial arts.

However, cultivators who appeared too much younger or older than they truly were must be extremely powerful or utterly weak in cultivation. People with strange looks were always weird cultivators with weird techniques. They could be powerful with their weird techniques, but also could be weak. All they had were their special appearance!

Ye Xiao had a pretty face. A young man like Ye Xiao in the Land of Wrecked Dreams was most likely a pretty boy who was weak and did fraud for life. That was why the officer in golden armor wouldn’t show respect to Ye Xiao!

However, it was a totally different situation now since the officer knew that Ye Xiao was just a nineteen years old boy. After all, it was reasonable that a nineteen years old man looked pretty. It didn’t mean he was weak, and it didn’t mean he did fraud for life!

“I am nineteen!”

The officer in golden armor was surprised, so he asked, “You are nineteen years old... How did you end up here in the Land of Wrecked Dreams? Did you experience anything too miserable to live on for? How did you lose all your dreams before nineteen years old?”

“It was such a weird thing that such a young man would lose dreams for life.”

“For people in the Human Realm Upon Heavens, a nineteen years old young man was not much older than a baby. In fact, he was just a kid in this world. How could a man who had just started his life already

lose his hope for the rest of his life? How could a man this young escape the reality and hide in this place?"

"Do you think I wanted to come here? I was thrown down here! I was set up..." Ye Xiao helplessly explained.

"Bone age test!" The officer didn't seem to believe Ye Xiao. He just didn't buy the reason.

'You were thrown to the Land of Wrecked Dreams from the sky?'

'Well, if you told me that you have an older heart, and your mind is over your age, I may believe you. If you told me that you have given up life already because you have seen through everything, I may believe you. How can you expect me to believe that you were thrown down to this place from the sky? It can't be more absurd! Why don't you make up a more unbelievable story?'

'Do you know how powerful one has to be to throw somebody down from upon the clouds? Will it kill you if you don't lie?'

When the bone age test was done, the result astounded the officer in golden armor.

'He is nineteen!'

'He didn't lie!'

However, the officer still didn't believe Ye Xiao was thrown down from beyond the clouds.

After all, it was difficult to believe it!

However, there was no way to prove it anyway, so the officer went on for the next step!

"Identity certificate."

"Well... I don't have it..."

"You don't have it?"

The officer stared at Ye Xiao and said, "How come you don't even have an identity certificate?"

Ye Xiao was helpless, and he said, "I... Well... If I tell you that I am new to this world, that I have just ascended from the lower realm... would you believe me?"

"Bullsh*t! Cut your f*cking brag, will you? Why don't you tell me that you just saved an entire realm from a calamity, so you are enhanced by a great power?"

The officer stared at Ye Xiao and said it while shouting, "You are nineteen years old! That already makes you a genius! Now you want me to believe that you ascended from the lower realm as a nineteen years old boy? You little bastard! Lie to me again, fool me around one more time, and I will cut you in slices! I would love to know how it feels to kill a genius! Do you think I dare or not?"

Ye Xiao was awkwardly speechless. *'Damn it. You are damn right I saved a world. I saved a whole world from a calamity, but I am not sure if I have that great power on me or not...'*

'This is exactly the awkward situation people say about how a scholar having a debate against a simple-minded soldier. I just can't explain it clearly.' As Ye Xiao looked at the officer in golden armor, he clearly knew that the officer was a lot more powerful than him. After a second thought, he decided to use the same story that he made up to fool the fat shopkeeper, so he said in a deep voice, "My family is a great family in seclusion. I came to this place only because of some family business... Come on... I haven't been out before. It is my first time to leave my clan, and my families threw me to this place to strengthen my will... I personally don't want this at all..."

"A great family in seclusion? Your name is Ye Xiao, so you are from the Ye Clan?"

"That's right."

"Well, I have never heard of Ye Clan..." The officer humphed and said, "I see. You are trying to sound important to me. Cut the bullsh*t now. I have no time to play your stupid game. Now, do you really want to go for the Nine Death Trials? Fine. Go over there. You can go by yourself! Get through the nine trials, then leave on the other side and get rid of the restraint of the Land of Wrecked Dreams..."

The officer pointed a direction.

"What if I fail?"

Ye Xiao asked.

Ye Xiao knew that he would definitely die if he failed to pass the trials. However, as the former Xiao Monarch, the Young Lord Xiao, he had enough experience and wisdom to know that there was always something he could learn in some unusual way, so he asked it all the same!

"If you fail? Well, you will leave!" The officer in golden armor said.

He was entirely speechless now.

The officer actually gave such an unbearable answer, which Ye Xiao did not expect!

Of course, he would leave, whether he passed the trials or not...

If he passed, he will leave the Land of Wrecked Dreams. If he failed, he will leave the living world...

The officer in golden armor kept staring at Ye Xiao when Ye Xiao left for the trials. He didn't stop watching Ye Xiao until he disappeared at the entrance of the trials.

The officer had watched him for a really long time.

"Chief, this young man talked a lot. I feel that he was telling the truth. What do you think?"

"It is not just your feeling. He did tell us the truth." The officer in golden armor bitterly smiled and said, "I sneered on purpose, and I was a little annoyed at first. This young man must be thrown to the Land of Wrecked Dreams by some great figure. The look in his eyes... This man is not a man without hope... I don't think he can fake that look in his eyes."

"Well, should we..."

"No need."

“He will go through the Nine Death Trials on his own.”

The officer in golden armor shook his whiskers and blandly said, “A man should go alone on his own path of life.”

“If he survives, it is his fate that guides him to live.”

“If he dies there, it is his destiny that leads him to death.”

“We have no rights to interfere, and we don’t need to.”

“That’s it.”

The officer in golden armor spoke with a voice that was loud and deep like thunderclaps. It sounded unarguable!

In front of Ye Xiao, there was a gate.

In fact, it was more like a hole in the dark than a gate.

That was the entrance of the Nine Death Trials.

The officer kept watching Ye Xiao until he disappeared at the entrance.

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After about one hour, the officer was still lost in thoughts outside the entrance of the Nine Death Trials.

‘Is there a Ye Clan that is in seclusion?’

‘The Ye Clan? Ye Xiao?’

The officer was still thinking about it. *‘A man got thrown down from beyond the clouds? Somebody threw him down? Somebody left him in this place, the Land of Wrecked Dreams? What a coincidence!’*

‘He said he was set up. Was he?’

‘If he was, whoever set him up must be incredibly powerful... Even the Sky Net wasn’t triggered? This must be something important!’

The officer couldn’t think it through. Personally, he believed that Ye Xiao was telling the truth. However, considering how abnormal what Ye Xiao said was, he couldn’t believe what Ye Xiao said. That was why he was confused.

The vice-captain, who stood beside the officer in golden armor, suddenly got enlightened, and said, “I remember! There is a Ye Clan among all the family clans in seclusion.”

“Is there? Is there really?” The officer turned around and stared at the vice-captain.

“Yes. Well, it is not exactly a family clan. In fact, there is a great mighty figure whose name is Ye.” The vice-captain seemed to be respectful, and said, “Chief, do you remember the story? About a hundred thousand years ago, there was a mighty figure rising up in the world. The man united and conquered the broad land among the four skies and challenged the overlord of the Glaze Sky...”

“What?” The officer in golden armor seemed to be frightened.

That story circulated widely among high-level cultivators in the world. How could the officer in golden armor didn't know about it?

“That man... He fought against the overlord of the Glaze Sky for three full days and got defeated in the end. As a result of his failure in the fight, he made a vow that within a hundred thousand years after that fight, people from his family clan would never show up in the Human Realm Upon Heavens!”

The vice-captain said in a low voice, “There are books about this story. The name of that great mighty figure is Ye. His full name is Ye Hongchen!”

“Ye Hongchen!”

The officer's face turned green.

“That's right. Ye Hongchen. His family clan must be the Ye Clan. What else can it be?”

“That is him... most likely...”

The vice-captain looked pretty serious, and he said, “If the books are right, the one hundred thousand years have already passed now.”

“People of the Ye Clan returns to the Human Realm Upon Heavens... Isn't it... Isn't it quite a possible thing to happen? It is very possible to happen, isn't it?”

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