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Chapter 1581: My Rule is the Only Rule

"First of all, I think we should take turns. We came first. Does anybody have a problem with that?" The Red Phoenix looked around and said, "Look at us. We have more patients than you. Our men are suffering... Please, my friends. Just step back a little bit, and I will be grateful."

As she talked, her voice was shaking everybody's soft part in the heart.

They almost agreed to that.

"Stop that filthy temptation! Do you think you can fool us like that?" Yuan Tengxiao was the most powerful one among the others, so he was still sharp. He stared at the lady and said, "We came first!"

The Red Phoenix smiled and said, "Oh, really? Well. I am here now, so you didn't."

He slowly raised one hand and her fingers stretched out like a blossoming flower. A special scent of orchid spread out and hit everybody.

The next moment, everybody felt lost in dreams.

They were all lost in delusions. When they returned to consciousness, they were frightened.

The queue was different.

The House of Chaotic Storms people actually were moved to the back of the line.

The Xie League and the Great Ye Army were in the same position.

Song Keshou was frightened. He stared at the Red Phoenix with caution in the eyes.

'What is this martial art?'

'This is unbelievable and amazing!'

"Transformation of Stars?" Yuan Tengxiao suddenly said with a shout as if he saw some ghosts. "You actually mastered the Transformation of Stars?"

The Red Phoenix smiled and slightly bowed. "That is embarrassing. I don't think it is any great job..."

Yuan Tengxiao looked extremely anxious and worried.

The Red Phoenix must have mastered the great martial art, the Transformation of Stars, which meant she was more powerful than anybody in this place!

At this moment, a gate appeared in the rising fog on the entrance of the Hall of Life and Death. A dense cloud of purple gi rushed out from inside.

The purple qi spread out and attracted everybody. They all felt like flying among the clouds in the dream!

The door of the Hall of Life and Death was open. The Lord Monarch hadn't shown himself yet, but that purple qi had convinced everybody!

A man casually walked out. It was Bu Xiangfeng!

Bu Xiangfeng indifferently said, "Whoever comes for the treatment should stand in line. Nobody is allowed to do anything to take the positions from others."

The Red Phoenix smiled and said, "What if we accidentally did so?"

Bu Xiangfeng frowned and blandly said, "Well, then you can leave. Will you risk your lives for that?"

The Red Phoenix did not know what to say.

Before Bu Xiangfeng said these words, the Red Phoenix thought of some answers Bu Xiangfeng might say. However, she didn't expect such a rude and impolite answer.

The Red Phoenix was annoyed. "Who are you?"

"Bu Xiangfeng," Bu Xiangfeng answered.

He was waiting in the hall, and he knew what exactly had happened outside.

The leaders of these groups were all-powerful figures in the world. However, Lord Monarch told him to be tough and aggressive to everybody outside, so he was rude and impolite to the lady.

"The Farewell Sword, Bu Xiangfeng. A famous man. However, I think you need to know what trouble you just got yourself into by saying those words." The Red Phoenix still talked in the charming voice of a girl, but the oppression was stronger, pointing at Bu Xiangfeng.

"I don't have to." Bu Xiangfeng shook his head and smiled. "I know that if you keep talking to me like this, your men will die. Sometimes, you can't stop death because we decide to let it go free. I think you need to know this."

The Red Phoenix took a deep breath. She was obviously provoked.

She was a powerful and elegant cultivator, and she should not be embarrassed. However, she was also extremely arrogant. Men always treated her with respect and kindness. She had just shown everybody her true power, but Bu Xiangfeng just gave her a strike.

That was painful. She was a powerful cultivator, so she didn't go crazy.

She was an experienced cultivator, so she knew she had to hold it down. She gritted her teeth and said, "Well, we are the first in the line, so shall we?"

Bu Xiangfeng shook his head and said, "I am sorry. We saw what happened. The House of Chaotic Storms should be the first. They can come in now."

The Red Phoenix was so angry. 'I have done so much, and you are telling me it was for nothing! I moved those men to the back, and they still get to be the first!?'

Ye Xiao always tried to keep things fair. People should take turns to get the treatment. The privilege was the last thing he wanted in this place.

If the Hall of Life and Death followed the rule of the martial world, and let the powerful one get the treatment first, nobody would ever respect the Hall of Life and Death anymore.

The Red Phoenix stared at Bu Xiangfeng. She felt so bad at the moment. The anger that was pressed down in her heart seemed to riot out.

Apparently, if she burst into wild attacks, Bu Xiangfeng would be the first to get hurt.

Bu Xiangfeng was still indifferent and calm. He started to talk to the House of Chaotic Storms people. "Come on, guys. You can come in now. Do not make any noise. We need silence here. Please. The others should quietly wait outside."

Yuan Tengxiao laughed and said, "Thank you! I heard that the Hall of Life and Death always sticks to its own rule. Now, I know it is true."

After that, he told his men to take the wounded people into the hall.

The Red Phoenix stood there awkwardly. When Yuan Tengxiao walked over her, he could feel the raging anger from the lady's heart. Yuan Tengxiao felt so good.

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Chapter 1582: The Red Phoenix's Favor

The Red Phoenix didn't make a move. After a while, she took a long breath and relaxed. With a smile, she said, "The Hall of Life and Death is just as they say. I thought they exaggerated it, but now as I witnessed, I am impressed."

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People of the House of Chaotic Storms only stayed in the hall for a while, and they were told to get out except the patients. They went out and waited, and they hadn't seen Ye Xiao's face.

They saw what it was like inside the Hall of Life and Death, though. It was full of dense spiritual qi, which was several times more than the outside. It was some purple spiritual qi. All cultivators would beg to stay in a place like that. Yuan Tengxiao and the others did not have the chance to absorb any of it, so they got kicked out.

Yuan Tengxiao couldn't have the spiritual qi inside the fortress of trees, and he had paid every coin in his pocket to pay for the treatment for his men. It was one hundred thousand purple spirit coins for each patient!

Ye Xiao used to make a rule that all patients should follow. However, it wasn't the same circumstance anymore. These men all belong to other organizations, so they wouldn't follow Ye Xiao, and they couldn't promise they would risk their lives to help Ye Xiao once. In fact, they couldn't even promise not to be enemies to Ye Xiao.

That was why Ye Xiao decided to ask for a high price.

He wanted one hundred thousand purple spirit coins to cure one man!

The treatment was only for those who could afford the price.

It was the most expensive treatment in the history of the Human Realm Upon Heavens.

It cost one hundred thousand purple spirit coins to save a man from death!

One purple spirit coin equaled one hundred million yellow spirit coins. One hundred thousand purple spirit coins equaled one trillion!

One trillion for a life!

One might think that money didn't mean so much for superior cultivators or great forces. In fact, that was not true.

Bu Xiangfeng was an example.

He was one of the three most powerful itinerant cultivators on the ranking list, but when he was going after the special metals to fix his sword, he only had eighty thousand purple spirit coins. He was one of the richest itinerant cultivators, but he only had eighty thousand. One hundred thousand purple spirit coins was a fortune!

The price was so high that Yuan Tengxiao felt painful after paying the bill, even though he was such a famous figure in the world.

'That is too expensive!'

'That is totally robbery!'

When he heard the price, he was shocked. He even thought that maybe he got a hearing problem.

As he looked at the Red Phoenix, he felt consoled. 'That woman has five men to cure. Well, she has to pay two hundred thousand purple spirit coins more... Hah hah hah... That is so much more than I paid. I should keep an eye on her face. It will be very enjoyable to see it. Hah hah...'

He did know how to console himself...

Nobody could have imagined that this famous cultivator was such a moron!

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"One hundred thousand purple spirit coins for one man? Five hundred thousand for five men of mine? Purple spirit coins?"

The Red Phoenix kept her eyes widely open. She stared at Ye Xiao, who was covering his face, wearing purple clothes. She shouted and said, "You guys are cannibals!"

The Red Phoenix was a rather experienced cultivator, but she couldn't stay calm anymore. That unreasonable price just shocked her so much.

It was an unbelievable exorbitant price!

"That is the price we have always been charging." Ye Xiao blandly said, "Lady Red Phoenix, you can go out and ask about it. If you can't afford it, go somewhere else. I believe the others would like to charge you much less."

The Red Phoenix angrily said, "The others are useless! They only keep saying this is impossible... One of them promised he would try, but it must take a half year to save my men, three years to fully cure them, and another ten years to bring them back to their normal status... That is absurd..."

"Heh heh... I guess you know how expensive this should be. The price here is set. No bargain!" He paused and then said, "Well, if the patients leave the Hall of Returning Nature and pledge loyalty to me, I can save them for free."

The Red Phoenix stared at Ye Xiao, who was covering his face with a cloud of dense purple qi. After a while, she said, "I don't have enough money with me..."

She came in a hurry, and she didn't have five hundred thousand purple spirit coins at the moment.

Ye Xiao blandly said, "Okay. Goodbye then."

"How dare you kick us out?" The Red Phoenix's voice turned sharp and high.

'Damn it! You are asking for a fortune, and you don't even let me pay later! I am not refusing to pay. I just don't have enough right now! This is annoying me!'

"I surely dare. This is my place. Why don't I dare?" Ye Xiao said.

The Red Phoenix was freaking out.

She was humiliated in the Hall of Life and Death, and she had never thought that such things would happen to her one day.

She couldn't do anything to Ye Xiao and especially couldn't attack him. She had no idea what to do.

Ye Xiao looked at her and said, "The door is right over there. We will not give anybody treatment before the bill is paid."

After that, he turned around.

"Wait... I don't have enough money, but I can give you something valuable instead! What do you say?" The Red Phoenix held down her anger.

"What is it? We do not accept normal items," Ye Xiao said.

"I promise that I will do you one favor." The Red Phoenix gritted her teeth and said, "I know your rules. These patients could never promise you anything, but I am different. I can promise you one thing."

Ye Xiao said, "Such as?"

"There must be something you want to do now but you can't." The Red Phoenix took a breath and said, "In the Human Realm Upon Heavens, I have the power to do almost everything.

"Just tell me one thing, and I will do it for you. However, it can't hurt the Hall of Returning Nature!"

The Red Phoenix was confident.

'Even if I am not capable enough, the Master will help. As long as it doesn't hurt the Hall of Returning Nature, it will be fine!'

'The Master has the power to do whatever he wants in the Human Realm Upon Heavens. Perhaps, after doing one favor for this marvelous doctor, he will become a friend to us...'

'If the Hall of Returning Nature and the Monarch's Hall became allies... That would be great!'

"Whatever I want? Really?" Ye Xiao looked at the Red Phoenix and said, "Lady Red... I am a married guy who has three ladies now... However, since you give me the promise, I can't impolitely turn you down, can I? Well, would you..."

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Chapter 1583: The Guan Clan in Danger

The Red Phoenix was shocked, and then her face turned red. She was bashful and angry at the same time.

'He has three ladies... If he wants me, I have to be his concubine!'

"Go to hell..." she shouted so loudly.

Ye Xiao almost became deaf.

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When the Red Phoenix walked out, she was so angry.

She had given Ye Xiao everything she had in her space ring, and she still owed him a favor. What pissed her the most was that she had to smile after being humiliated like that!

After all, she had five Saint Origin Stage cultivators waiting for Ye Xiao's treatment. If the battle continued, she had to send more men over and beg for Ye Xiao's treatment...

"Girl, heh heh heh heh..." Yuan Tengxiao was waiting outside, looking forward to the Red Phoenix's appearance. As he saw her face, he felt so good. "How was it?"

The Red Phoenix angrily said, "You son of a b*tch! Show me that disgusting smile again and I will make sure you pay one hundred thousand purple spirit coins more right now! I dare you!"

Yuan Tengxiao stepped back and stopped talking.

The lady was obviously furious. He knew it was a bad idea to tease her right now. She might actually put him down immediately, and that would cost him another one hundred thousand for the treatment!

Yuan Tengxiao laughed eventually and then flew up to the sky. "Let's go!" He left with his men.

The Red Phoenix gritted her teeth and said, "Let's go!"

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She blamed the Great Ye Army for what she had been through.

She had lost a fortune and owed Ye Xiao a promise. She was furious. As she returned to the branch of the Hall of Returning Nature, she made an order.

"It is on! Why are you still hesitating?

"If this is a war, we should fight a good one!

"Do not hesitate anymore. Forget about the Heaven's Leaf and the Seven Golden Lotuses. Let's break one lotus tonight!"

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When the night fell, the camp of the Great Ye Army was on fire.

In the chaos, Ye Yunduan calmly gave instructions. He felt that the attackers only looked fierce but not truly that powerful. Suddenly, a dark shadow appeared, covered by blood, rushing toward Master Guan.

"Master... Our house got attacked. The Ladies..."

Master Guan was frightened. "What happened?"

"They were captured..." It was the steward of the Guan Clan, who was so sad at the moment. "The enemies are all-powerful. They want you to get the ladies back from the Chaotic Soul Valley..."

Master Guan closed his eyes and took a deep breath.

"Master Guan, go. I will take care of this here," Ye Yunduan thoughtfully said.

"Okay." Master Guan felt painfully powerless.

He knew the situation in his own house. It was perfectly secure. Ordinary cultivators could never break into his house. However, the enemies broke in and took his family. It must be some pretty powerful enemies.

The attack on the Great Ye Army was powerless. Obviously, it was a scheme. The enemy was aiming at the Guan Clan.

He knew it, and Ye Yunduan knew it. The Guan Clan had given Ye Yunduan many good men to join the Great Ye Army. Master Guan only had thirty percent of his best force at the moment.

However, Ye Yunduan asked Master Guan to deal with the problem by himself.

That was too obvious...

"Old Guan, the enemy is well prepared. That must be an ambush. I am going with you." Master Song stepped out and looked at Master Guan.

"Well... Okay." Master Guan nodded.

The two old men left together. These two clans had hundreds of good men fighting for the Great Ye Army, and they followed the two old masters away.

Saint Origin Stage cultivators could always move really fast. Within only a few seconds, they had already arrived at the Chaotic Soul Valley.

Master Guan was anxious, worried about his wife and daughter-in-law, so he was flying ahead at full speed.

Master Song was alerted. He abruptly stopped Master Guan and said, "Wait... Old Guan..."

Master Guan frowned and said, "What is it?"

"I don't feel right..." Master Song frowned and said, "I know quite well about your house. Who has the power to break into your house? You got all those guards at home. Your wife is a powerful lady herself... If the enemies could get into the house, they must be..."

Master Guan seemed to be enlightened. "Oh?"

"We always get well prepared for the worst. Our houses are as secure as the demon's home. How could anybody easily break into it? The steward said that the enemies were unbelievably powerful. Why did they just capture two ladies after getting over all the difficulties to get into your house? Why didn't he just kill everybody and destroy the house? Isn't it a better way to start a fight against you?" Master Song asked. "I don't feel right about this... Something is wrong..."

Master Guan was old and cunning. He was anxious because his family was in danger, but now, he was enlightened. He said, "My steward... He has followed me for over two hundred years... He is always loyal to me... He is the most trustworthy..."

"Where is he?" Master Song said.

"Old Zhu!" Master Guan shouted. The steward, who was stained by blood, staggered over and said, "Master... I am here..."

The man was injured. His mouth was bleeding. That wasn't fake. Master Guan was confused. "What exactly happened? Tell me the details. We need to be fully prepared. This is a tough fight, and we must know everything before making any further moves."

The steward was held up by two men. He said anxiously, "Master, it happened so fast. And... And I don't know. I couldn't see anything... It was a huge explosion. I heard the sound. The house fell into chaos... Cough, cough..."

He seemed to be emotional. As he coughed, blood came out with some broken pieces of his inner organs...

"Slow down. Take your time." Master Guan was worried.

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Chapter 1584: Tiger in the Dream

"Cough... When I went out, I saw two men moving fast. They got to me in seconds... One of them... Well, I didn't see anything. My chest got hit, and I lost sight... The house is in chaos... I... I..."

The steward, Zhu, started to cough again. His face was pale, and he was so weak. The man was going to pass out.

On his chest, there was a mark of a palm hit, burning his skin. That was shocking.

"Take a breath..." Master Guan moved over to him and took out a jade bottle.

It was some dan beads that he had been saving for a long time.

"It looks like the wound caused by the Red Phoenix's attack..." Master Song moved over too. He looked at the wound on Zhu's chest and said, "Was it really the Hall of Returning Nature? If the Hall of Returning Nature sent their powerful men to attack..."

As he spoke, he realized something!

Zhu, the steward who was dying, suddenly raised his head, and both of his hands reached out, glittering with sharp lights!

Two gray streams of light rushed out and hit Master Guan's belly and Master Song's chest.

Almost at the same time, the man hit the two old masters with extremely fast continual palm hits.

The two old men exclaimed. They never knew they would get hit in this way. They wouldn't have thought that Zhu would attack them, and Zhu was obviously dying after all. It didn't seem to be fake. He attacked so fast, and that meant he was as powerful as Master Guan, a level-eight Saint Origin Stage cultivator!

The steward Master Guan knew was never this powerful!

The man attacked at the perfect timing with a perfect move. The two old men did not have time to react before they got hit dozens of times.

The two old masters were blown away like two kites without strings.

Their bones were broken, and they were spitting out blood. They were severely injured.

Master Guan still stared at Zhu. He shouted angrily, "Old Zhu... Why did you..."

He was sure that it was his steward, Zhu!

He couldn't be wrong about that!

Zhu was a brother to him for hundreds of years. He was the most loyal one! Why would he attack Master Guan?

The superior cultivators of the two clans were all shocked. They were all experienced and capable men. Within seconds, they already drew out their weapons and stood before the two old masters while surrounding Zhu.

"I am sorry, Guan Muyun." Zhu sighed and slowly stood up. It seemed he felt guilty.

He was the steward. Master Guan was right. But he was not just the old steward Zhu. Who was he?

Who would secretly stay on Master Guan's side for hundreds of years?

That was too much!

That was incredible!

Master Guan couldn't believe it. He stared at Zhu, and he even forgot the pain he was feeling right now.

They were brothers who supported each other for hundreds of years. Why would he betray Master Guan?

They had been through so many life and death situations. They could trust each other with their backs. That was why Master Guan never doubted what Zhu had said in the first place.

He fully trusted the man, and he came to this place where Zhu told him to come.

He was sure that Zhu wouldn't lie to him.

They had been through so much, which already proved Zhu's loyalty. They had been through so many life and death situations!

However, the man he trusted actually lied to him and attacked him!

The attack was fierce and brutal!

Master Guan almost forgot the severe wounds on his belly because he was lost in shock. Five bones in him were broken! He stared at Zhu painfully, and his lips were shaking.

Zhu stood up with both hands behind his back. He was a little hunchbacked, and now he looked worse. He was encircled by these two powerful cultivators, but he wasn't frightened. He looked at Master Guan with sorrow in his eyes. In a low voice, he said, "Old Guan, I am sorry."

He said it twice.

"Why? Why would you do this?" Master Guan looked at Zhu and asked. He wanted to know the answer. As he spoke, he felt dizzy.

The wounds on his belly didn't cause pain but itch.

It was clear now. Zhu, his most trusted friend, attacked him with poison!

If the poison worked on a level-eight Saint Origin Stage, then that must be some incredible poison!

'He... He wants me to die!'

Master Guan was so sad that he actually wanted to laugh.

'I trusted him the most...'

'If he wants to kill me, he has missed many great opportunities... I have always trusted him... He didn't have to wait... Why would he do it? Why now?'

Master Guan realized that he had fallen into a long-prepared plan! This must be a critical time!

"I am Zhu. It is my real family name... But... I am not Zhu Qingliu." Zhu looked at Master Guan and spoke sincerely, "Two hundred and ninety-seven years ago, I didn't tell you the truth. I have never done anything to hurt the Guan Clan and the seven clans until today! I never felt wronged to serve you. I never regretted being good friends with you!"

"Why bother? Why don't you just tell me your name? I want to know who made me get through all this!" Master Guan took a deep breath and tried to suppress the poison in his body.

"I am Zhu Menghun. Believe it or not, I have done a good job for the Guan Clan in all the years as a steward." Zhu Menghun sadly looked at Master Guan. It seemed like he was suffering to betray their friendship. "Old Guan, you must have heard of my name."

"Tiger in the Dream! It is you!"

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Chapter 1585: Ambush; the Hall of Returning Nature!

Master Guan was shocked. His eyes glittered, and he said, "Are you one of the Tigers?"

Master Song had just put a dan bead into his mouth, and he was shocked too. He nearly spat out the dan bead because of how shocked he was.

"That's right." Old Zhu looked so small and weak, but a strong vibe was forming on him.

"There are One Dragon, Two Tigers, and Three Phoenixes in the Hall of Returning Nature." Zhu clearly said, "I am one of the Two Tigers. I am the Tiger in the Dream, Zhu Menghun!"

"So I see. People say that the best thief lives with the guards. It is clever to stay on my side. Nobody would have thought that the Tiger in the Dream, Zhu Menghun, would actually serve an old man as a steward for hundreds of years... I see... Every ten years, you left me to your hometown. At least you told me you were back in your hometown to memorize your ancestors. Well, you were only back to be the Tiger and showed the public Zhu Menghun was out there!" Master Guan finally got it.

Zhu Menghun sadly looked at Master Guan and said, "Old Guan, I was sincere, and I never wanted to hurt you. Don't get me wrong. Everybody has dreams. In dreams, there are beauties, and there are beasts. You are right. I left every ten years to be myself."

"Good. It is good that we make it clear. Now you have shown us who you are. Does it mean you are going to kill us? Well, then... Why bother talking useless words." Master Guan was angry.

"Old Guan, I wouldn't do this to you if I had a choice... You... You shouldn't be against the Hall of Returning Nature." Zhu Menghun made a long sigh. Suddenly, he stood straight up with a strong vibe, like a demon from ancient times.

"Zhu Menghun, nothing happened to my family, right?" Master Guan asked.

"Sure." Zhu Menghun said, "We have known each other for hundreds of years. We are in different positions now, but I won't hurt your family."

Master Song humphed and said, "I doubt it. I think you are not powerful enough to do it, not because you don't want to. The great ancestor of the Guan Clan is still there. I don't think you have the power. We panicked, so we forgot about that!"

Zhu Menghun blandly said, "I have a special status in the Guan Clan. I could have killed everyone in the house if I wanted. Nobody would even notice me. Don't you think so, Master Song?"

Master Song humphed and didn't continue the topic.

It was the truth.

Zhu was an important man in the Guan Clan. The house was open to him. He could even kill the Guan Clan people by feeding them poison.

"You could have done it, but you didn't dare." Master Guan said, "You are afraid! If too many people of the Guan Clan died, you would probably die with us!"

Zhu admitted it, "I didn't dare. The great ancestor of the Guan Clan hasn't shown himself for a long time, but I know he is still alive. We must avoid fighting against a powerful man like that!"

"We are attacking the Guan Clan, but we have to draw you out and do it somewhere else!"

"Guan Muyun, it is the rule of the martial world."

Zhu Menghun said, "I truly don't want to kill you, and I clearly don't want to be hunted after killing you. That is why I need to do this outside the City of Chaos."

"I am sorry," Zhu Menghun said.

People of the two clans actually believed that he was being honest!

As he apologized, people showed up from everywhere. These men were in black clothes as if they were a part of the dark night. Their eyes were glittering.

They were like a group of starving wolves in the dark of the night.

There were thousands of them.

It meant the Hall of Returning Nature was determined to kill these two old masters!

The two old masters were chiefs of their clans and also the most powerful men in their clans. Either of them could defeat Zhu Menghun in a fight. However, they were both injured now and poisoned. They only had half of their powers left. They were getting weaker and weaker.

The men from the two clans weren't good enough to defeat the men from the Hall of Returning Nature.

Master Guan knew something else, too. The Tiger in the Dream had been hiding beside him, but there was always news about him giving a great performance in a fight from time to time. He knew that this tiger must be more powerful than people knew. Besides, this tiger knew everything about Master Guan. Master Guan might not have the chance to defeat the Tiger in the Dream even if he had the chance to.

Zhu Menghun knew everything about him, yet he knew nothing about Zhu Menghun. That was unfair!

The two clans were in chaos, and the people of the Hall of Returning Nature were well prepared.

It was an obvious result!

"Protect the masters! Take protection formation!" somebody shouted and pointed ahead with a long spear. People of the two clans quickly moved and stood in a round formation. Hundreds of them had surrounded the two old men and pointed their weapons outward.

It was dangerous now. They couldn't let Zhu Menghun stay near the masters. If Zhu Menghun stayed among them, he would destroy the formation easily!

The two clans had been living together for a long time, so they did well in cooperating with each other. As they moved, they did it smoothly and quickly. There was no flaw.

"Young Master Guan is such a talented man. He doesn't panic, and he makes good decisions. He is much better than that stupid Ye Yunduan." Zhu Menghun praised.

The man who held the spear and gave orders was Master Guan's son, Guan Changfeng.

Guan Changfeng humphed and blandly said, "Steward Zhu, we knew each other for a long time. If I am still the young master in your heart, why don't you give me the antidote?"

Zhu Menghun laughed loudly. Before he said anything, a lady's voice sounded, "Brother Zhu, it is getting late. Let's move now and end this as soon as possible."

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Chapter 1586: Break off Friendships

Zhu Menghun seemed to hesitate for a second, and then he took a deep breath. "Do it!"

"Hold!"

Master Guan shouted and said, "Zhu Menghun! I have words to say!"

Zhu Menghun waved one of his hands to stop the others. He said, "What do you want to say?"

Master Guan took a breath and said, "Zhu Menghun, let me ask you one thing. You are one of the Two Tigers, which means you play an important role in the Hall of Returning Nature. Why would you come to my clan and be a steward? I know... you were undercover. You would earn the credit one day. However, aren't you too good to do such a job?"

Zhu Menghun smiled and said, "I will do whatever it takes to support the Master's great plan. I don't care. Besides, I have been with you for hundreds of years, and I was never wronged."

Master Song was cunning. He sensed something, so he said, "Does it mean that the Hall of Returning Nature has been planning against us for a long time?"

Zhu Menghun laughed and said, "The Heaven's Leaf and the Seven Golden Lotuses are together. One hundred thousand years was due, and the Heaven's Leaf returned to the world. The Seven Lotus Clans would definitely follow the Great Ye Clan again. How could we not keep an eye on you?"

"Do you have your people in all our clans?" Master Guan was angry.

The enemies had set their people in the clans for hundreds of years, and the seven clans couldn't notice anything! That was horrific!

"It makes no difference. Even if I tell you we are among you, and even if you can survive, do you think you can find them? If I didn't tell you this, if I didn't attack you, even if the Hall of Returning Nature told you I am a mole, would you believe them, Brother Guan?" Zhu Menghun sighed and said, "Brother Guan, give it up. We fought together for hundreds of years. I was always sincere and loyal to you. Why would you suspect a man who was sincere and loyal to you?"

Master Guan felt like he was hit by a clap of thunder. He knew that Zhu Menghun was telling the truth. He was angry, and he spat out a mouthful of blood. He said, "Zhu Menghun... You and your Hall of Returning Nature... You are contemptible!"

"Contemptible? Come on. I have done my best to support you when I was by your side. I never got lazy. I did this only because you started to stand against the Hall of Returning Nature. I can't be loyal to two masters. I am loyal to the Hall of Returning Nature. Is that contemptible? I don't think so. Besides, people die in the martial world. It is either you or me. One should do whatever he could for the great plan!" Zhu Menghun said, "Old Guan, did the Guan Clan rise because you were always righteous and honest?"

"People in the martial world kill! Who doesn't?"

Zhu Menghun blandly said, "We are in the martial world. Our hands are all stained by blood. Under our feet, there are mountains of rotten bones. Brother Guan, you shouldn't be too emotional about this."

Master Guan nodded and fiercely said, "Good. Good. You are loyal to the Hall of Returning Nature. Old Zhu, my brother, you keep saying that you were sincere. Well, then I won't regret treating you as my brother. Now, we are in opposite positions, so it is pointless to talk about friendship anymore. I, Guan Muyun..."

He stepped forward and waved one hand, ripping off a piece of cloth from his sleeve. The sound seemed to shake everybody's heart.

Zhu Menghun turned sullen, and he stepped ahead, too.

Master Guan raised his hand and threw the cloth of his sleeve up to the air.

"There is no Old Zhu anymore! My brother Zhu and I are life and death enemies now!" Master Guan was emotional. "From now on, there is only Zhu Menghun, my sworn enemy in the world!"

He cut his sleeve to break off their friendship!

Zhu Menghun was a bit shaken. He looked at the cloth flying in the sky, and he was lost.

They had been brothers for hundreds of years. Most of the time, Zhu forgot who he truly was. When the Hall of Returning Nature didn't give him any work to do, he felt like he was truly a brother to Guan Muyun, a member of the Guan Clan...

They usually drank together. They ate together under the tree and enjoyed the days... Sometimes, they drank outside when it was snowing in the sky...

The memories hit him in the heart.

Zhu Menghun made a long sigh. He suddenly felt a void in his heart as if he was not complete anymore.

He was undercover in the Guan Clan. His job was to destroy the Guan Clan when he got the chance...

He was going to kill the chief of the clan now.

Why was he so uncomfortable?

It didn't make sense...

He felt like he was lost in a dream; a dream of a happy life in the Guan Clan. He was the Tiger in the Dream, and he shouldn't be lost in dreams!

Zhu Menghun closed his eyes, and he felt the pain in his heart. After a while, he said, "Old Guan, I am sorry. I failed you."

"I am done. I can't do this to you. I will ask for punishment when I meet the Master later!"

Zhu Menghun made a long shout and flew out like a flying star. After a while, he was gone.

"Brother Guan, forgive me!"

His voice was resounding in the night sky.

Master Guan staggered and spat out a mouthful of blood again.

Two streams of light were shooting down to the ground.

"The antidote."

"Old Zhu gave it to you, not Zhu Menghun."

Zhu Menghun's voice sounded weak and hoarse.

The Tiger in the Dream of the Hall of Returning Nature actually did such a weird thing. He first attacked the masters fiercely. He poisoned them and pushed all the men of the two clans to death.

However, in the end, he was gone, leaving the antidote behind.

It seemed he betrayed himself in a short time.

Master Guan grabbed the two bottles of antidote with his hand and made a sigh.

"Father, it could be a trap!" Guan Changfeng anxiously said.

"No." Master Guan closed his eyes, and his tears rolled down. "Old Zhu gave it to me... It must be real."

He swallowed the antidote in one of the bottles.

After a while, his face turned colorless from green. The poison was gone, but he was still wounded. The wound started to cause extreme pain. That was good because the poison was gone.

Master Guan gave the other bottle to Master Song.

In the end, he took the two empty bottles and put them away.

He made a long sigh.

'Brother, farewell.'

'When we meet again, one of us must die.'

'I don't know if I can do it to you, and I wonder if you can do it to me?'

'I guess you won't hesitate to kill me.'

Master Guan bitterly smiled.

'Perhaps I am already done here... Maybe we are not going to see each other ever again...'

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The Red Phoenix was flying up in the sky like the most beautiful dancer dancing in the air.

Her beauty was the blade of a fabulous sword!

"Kill!"

The Red Phoenix shouted.

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Chapter 1587: Dead Knot

There were over five thousand people from the Hall of Returning Nature at the moment. Suddenly, half of them started to move like a running river. As the sound of the strings and bows rang up, the arrows flew up to the sky and covered the night.

When an arrow was shot, it burst into a red flame in the sky.

"God Slaughter Arrow!"

Master Song was terrified. "Guys, move away!"

The people of the two clans were all frightened.

It was the God Slaughter Arrow!

'Are those truly the God Slaughter Arrows?'

It was a special arrow that only people of the five sky kings used, which belonged to the royal guards of the sky kings. When the five sky kings were fighting a war to put down a rebellion, they would use such powerful arrows.

The men from the Hall of Returning Nature actually had so many God Slaughter Arrows!

It showed everybody the background of this organization.

Master Guan and Master Song both felt despair. If there were five sky kings supporting the Hall of Returning Nature, there was no way to fight against it!

- Shoot, shoot ,shoot... -

Countless God Slaughter Arrows were shot in the sky. The men of the two clans did whatever they could to dodge the critical hits.

However, when an arrow flew out, it adjusted itself automatically.

"Ah..."

A screeching sound could be heard in the area.

The two old men had brought about five hundred men. Everyone was good, but not good enough to block all the God Slaughter Arrows. After the arrow attacks, they had only one hundred and thirty-two men left!

Most of the survivors were injured. They couldn't fight anymore.

"Kill them all! Spare no one!" The Red Phoenix was rushing forward like she was thousands of shadows!

Master Guan shouted angrily and took a deep breath. Suddenly, he stood straight up with a big saber in his hand!

That saber should be only twelve feet long, but as he waved it in the air, it became like a thousand feet.

Master Guan shouted, "Rush!"

Before his voice stopped sounding, he had become like a shooting star with his saber!

Wherever his saber went, there would be a shiny moon on the left and a scorching sun on the right. What an unbelievable scene!

He was killing his way ahead!

That saber was the ancestral weapon of the Guan Clan, Stars Saber of Sun and Mon.

As the saber moved, it shined the light of the sun and the moon!

The Red Phoenix's shadows were immediately shattered when she was shined upon by the saber. The Red Phoenix was actually staying quite far away. She angrily said, "God Slaughter Arrows ready! Shoot Guan Muyun!"

- Shoot, shoot... -

The rain of arrows appeared again. This time, the arrows were all aiming at Master Guan!

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In the Hall of Life and Death.

Ye Xiao was cultivating among the dense purple qi. He looked calm and peaceful. He was trying to reach the upper level of the Saint Origin Stage.

He had been working so hard for days.

However, at this moment, the alarm rang.

A shadow flew over the Monarch's Hall in the sky. The person waved one hand, and a stream of purple light shot down and hit the desk.

Long Tianyun was going out to fight, but the person was already gone.

As Long Tianyun looked at the desk, there was a purple jade plate with words carved on it.

"The Guan Clan is ambushed in the Chaotic Soul Valley!"

That was all.

Long Tianyun was frightened. He hurriedly got into the fortress.

Master Guan and Master Song were doing whatever they could to block the arrows.

They were both powerful cultivators, but they were injured, and they only had ten percent of their power left. Although they had eaten the antidote, they were still weakened. They still needed quite a long time to recover. They were powerful cultivators, but they were not good enough to resist the poison.

Besides, they both got cut, and their bones were hit. They were severely weakened.

The Hall of Returning Nature had prepared well for this ambush. The two old men were still fighting, but the people of the Hall of Returning Nature didn't panic. They started to change their formation, giving their archers the best position to shoot their arrows. When the first row finished shooting, the second row stepped ahead to take their place. One after another, the rain of arrows did not stop at all!

Three rows of archers all looked calm and steady as if they were machines. The God Slaughter Arrow was so powerful that the two old men were put in a more difficult situation. It took them a lot of work to make one step ahead, and they weren't getting closer to their enemies at all. Their wounds were getting worse instead.

The God Slaughter Arrow could reach any range, and it had the power to pierce through the spiritual energy shield. Master Guan and Master Song were both powerful, but they didn't dare to be careless.

It was always a smart move to dodge the arrows, but if they couldn't, they would block them.

Tens of thousands of God Slaughter Arrows were shooting down from the sky, moving past each other, glittering in blue lights. Each arrow glittered with the light of thunder on its pointy end.

When an arrow hit its target, the power of thunder would burst and cause a magnificent blast.

The two clans had only less than eighty men left now. Everyone was wounded. Some of them were smoking after being hit by the power of thunder. They were frustrated.

Luckily, these men were all Saint Origin Stage cultivators. Besides, they got fewer people to protect now. Many of the God Slaughter Arrows couldn't hit anybody and failed to do so in several attempts. The energy in the arrows was used up, so the arrows flew back.

The God Slaughter Arrows could track their targets and adjust their direction, but it couldn't keep doing that. The energy in the arrows only allowed them to track and change the route for about five times. After the arrow was taken back, it needed about half a month before it could be shot again. A lot of energy stones were needed to refill the arrow. In fact, the archers must be at least at level six of the Divinity Origin Stage, so they could shoot as many times as they wanted.

There were thousands of archers right there, who were trying to kill the two old masters. The Monarch's Hall did not have as many people at these men's level!

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Chapter 1588: Dead Fight!

From the first small part, one could see the whole picture. The Hall of Returning Nature was horribly powerful. No wonder it was even stronger than Master Bai's organization. No wonder it had been the most powerful force in the Limitless Ocean for such a long time!

As things went on, the rain of arrows became smaller and smaller, but Master Guan and Master Song became more desperate.

Apparently, the rain of God Slaughter Arrows was the first attack. The God Slaughter Arrows were only used to destroy the younger cultivators of the two clans and weaken the two old masters at the same time. Meanwhile, it kept the men of the Hall of Returning Nature unharmed. The thousands of good men hadn't actually gotten into any fights yet. That was a perfect battle strategy!

The two clans had only over eighty men left, and they were all wounded. Although the rain of arrows was going to stop, the two clans weren't able to face any further attacks anymore!

The absolute power was approaching. The two clans could never survive this on their own!

Was it a dead-end for them?

The Red Phoenix spoke with her elegant voice, "Master Guan, Master Song, I am truly sorry. The Hall of Returning Nature never wanted to do this to you..."

She sighed and said, "After all, you have two great ancestors in your houses. To be honest, we don't want to provoke the two great men. However, we have a simple reason to do this... We don't understand... The Great Ye Army wants to rise, and that is reasonable, but why do you have to push others to their deaths?"

Master Guan and Master Song looked at each other. They felt bitterness inside their hearts.

That was a simple reason indeed.

God knew whether it was right or wrong. In fact, men knew it as well!

It was reasonable for anybody to rise, but it was unreasonable for anybody to kill everyone else!

That was unacceptable!

The Great Ye Army became a target for all the others.

Ye Yunduan was too greedy.

The first goal he made was to rule the entire City of Chaos and dispel all the other forces!

That was too domineering. Nobody would accept that. Small forces didn't dare to mess with the Great Ye Army, so they surrendered. The House of Chaotic Storms, the Hall of Returning Nature, and the Brotherhood Alliance were not some ordinary forces, were they?

Since the Great Ye Army wanted to do this, there was surely a price to pay!

Ye Yunduan's terrible decision had led the Great Ye Army into a hole surrounded by a lot of enemies.

"We have to follow our leader." Master Guan sighed.

"Masters, you are wise men. You know why things would develop this way. You know how powerful the Hall of Returning Nature is. Do you really think the Great Ye Army can defeat us?"

The Red Phoenix blandly smiled and arrogantly said, "To be frank, the Great Ye Army is just a bunch of ignorant fools compared to any of the great forces in the world. You can easily bully the weak, but you must be dreaming if you want to conquer the world! You have disgraced yourselves!"

Master Song coldly smiled and said, "He who wins is always right. That is all. There is no point in talking about what is right or wrong. We are enemies. Talking is never the solution to this problem. Nobody knows who will eventually win the last laugh!"

"Really?" The Red Phoenix laughed. She touched her hair in a flirtatious way and said with a big smile, "Well then... brothers, let's show Master Song who has the last laugh!"

She gave an order, and nearly six thousand cultivators started to approach. That was such a strong power that could oppress like a huge mountain.

Master Guan held a long saber in his hand, standing straight up. His face was calm and solemn.

"Master Guan, we are enemies, but I do respect you." The Red Phoenix moved forward, spreading that special scent. "You are going to die here, and we won't humiliate you... We will spare your son and send him back to your clan. This is my respect to the great ancestor of the Guan Clan... We are enemies, but I won't be pushing your entire clan into their deaths. I think your great ancestor won't really get furious about what we did. After all, I saved your bloodline..."

The two old masters looked at each other. They didn't believe the enemies would actually spare the young generation to avoid provoking the great ancestor. They were enemies, so it was reasonable that they would kill them all. However, the two old masters were the chiefs of two clans. The great ancestors would definitely avenge them. However, if the Hall of Returning Nature kindly saved the young generation of the clans, the great ancestors shouldn't fight back! What the Red Phoenix did was to sentence the two old masters to their deaths!

That was a very well-thought-out plan

Master Guan knew that it was done, so he angrily shouted and said, "Come here and fight!"

He slightly moved his saber, and the blade suddenly shined a glaring light. Master Guan and the saber in his hand became a broad stream of shooting light like a bolt of lightning flashing in the sky!

As he dashed out, his blood abruptly rushed out from the wounds on his body.

He was wounded, and the way he moved pushed the blood out.

He was seizing the time he had left to fight! Once the blood was drained, he would die!

The Red Phoenix did not move aside. She played a long red ribbon, which flew out like a rainbow covering the sky. "Master Guan, you are quite a powerful cultivator. If you were at your prime, I would have to step away. However, you are not a threat to me anymore. Let me send you to your death now!"

Master Guan looked calm and cold. He didn't speak a word. The glow of the moon and sun shined again. The saber strike slashed down, and he was trying to kill the woman!

The Red Phoenix kept dashing in the air, and the long red ribbon was like a dragon rushing toward the old man. Suddenly, it wrapped the saber!

The saber shined again and got rid of the ribbon. However, the ribbon kept approaching, wrapping the saber up again and again.

The rainbow was actually covering the glow of the saber!

Master Guan had used his full power to make that last attack, but he was dying. It failed to push the Red Phoenix back even a bit!

As time passed by, when Master Guan used up the last bit of his energy, he would die!

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Chapter 1589: Ask for a Favor

On the other side, Master Song saw how dangerous it was, but he was in danger as well, so he wasn't sure if he could save Master Guan. The Hall of Returning Nature had sent a few powerful cultivators who could defeat the old master easily together, but Zhu Menghun had left. It was not so easy to put down the old master. However, Master Song was weak, and he couldn't do anything to change the fact that they were going to die in the end. Two Saint Origin Stage cultivators of the Hall of Returning Nature were fighting Master Song at the moment. After the Red Phoenix defeated Master Guan, she would come to kill Master Song next.

What broke the two old masters' hearts was the exclamation from the men behind their backs.

They were slaughtering their people.

People of the Hall of Returning Nature were all cold and calm, saying nothing. They were cruel like the vultures in the desert. Their eyes only showed indifference. It seemed they were used to seeing death.

Saint Origin Stage cultivators kept coming over to attack Master Song. Things became more difficult for the old man. The two old masters were losing it. Although they were fighting their best, they were tired. Enemies kept approaching, and they couldn't even save their own people.

Master Guan was busy fighting the Red Phoenix, and he was going to die soon. Master Song had to face more and more powerful enemies.

The wounds on his bones kept bringing pain. The two old men were struggling. They knew they were going to die, and they were in despair at the moment.

The Red Phoenix was like dancing in the sky. Her face was calm, and her eyes were full of some kind of fever.

She was going to kill another powerful enemy.

It made her feel so good to control the enemy's life.

"This is done. Red Phoenix, you are coming with us to hell!" Master Guan shouted.

Master Song suddenly made a turn, enduring the attacks from the enemies on his back, crazily rushing toward the Red Phoenix. He was laughing and saying, "Brothers, we are old! It should be a good story about us taking the Red Phoenix to death with us!"

Master Guan spat out blood but laughed casually.

The Red Phoenix coldly smiled, and her red shadow flashed. She actually got rid of Master Guan's dragging attack and transformed into ten phantoms. The phantoms spoke at the same time and said, "Why struggle? I would love to see if you could actually kill the undying phoenix!"

Each phantom of her was like a real person. When they spoke, they spoke together. The old masters couldn't tell the real one.

Master Guan was shocked.

"Phantom Illusion!"

He was shocked by the Red Phoenix's incredible martial art!

Since the lady had such a special technique, the old masters were unable to bring her to death in the end.

The old masters bitterly smiled. They were going to make their last attempt on the phantoms, and to kill as many men as they could before death.

However, at this moment...

A glaring light flashed in the dark sky. Somebody forcibly arrived and stopped between the two sides of the battle!

"Stop!"

A clear voice sounded.

As the man spoke, two other men with black masks arrived, too.

People noticed that it was a broad stream of sword energy that stopped the fight.

The broad sword energy was thousands of feet wide. It took a few seconds before the light went off. As the sword energy was gone, people felt like thousands of people were leaving with the light...

A slim shadow of a man showed up before the Red Phoenix's eyes. The clear voice sounded again. "Lady Red Phoenix, this must be fate. We met each other again so soon!"

The Red Phoenix was annoyed. She angrily said, "What does this have anything to do with you? Why do you interfere? Are you going to fight the Hall of Returning Nature?"

The man blandly smiled and said, "Please, my lady. The Hall of Returning Nature is huge. How am I going to fight you? I am a small figure. I am here to ask for the favor."

The Red Phoenix was angry. "No way! Do you know how much we have done to get this done? Why would I give it up for you?"

The man blandly smiled and said, "Well, I am not asking you to do me a favor like a friend. I can't force anybody to be my friend. However, I think I have the right to ask you for the debt you owe me."

The Red Phoenix was shocked. She stared at the man and said, "Are you sure you want this? I am telling you. These men are not your people anymore... They belong to the Great Ye Army!"

The man nodded and said, "I know. I am sure. Just do as you promised me. After that, you don't owe me anything."

The Red Phoenix gritted her teeth. Apparently, she couldn't make the decision.

However, the dark clouds were gathering over her head. A purple bolt of lightning suddenly appeared in the sky.

That was the punishment from the heavens.

A promise must be kept. People who broke such a vow would be punished by the heavens.

In other words, if the Red Phoenix refused to do this, the punishment would hit her.

The Red Phoenix was hesitating. She had given the man her word, and now he wanted her to keep it. If she returned the favor now, the plan she had been working on for such a long time would fail. Moreover, it would bring the Hall of Returning Nature big troubles. They would never get a second chance like this anymore. However, if she broke the vow, she would be punished and die immediately!

The Red Phoenix hesitated for a while and then gritted her teeth. She angrily said, "Ye, you should remember what you just did. I will do you this favor, but from now on, I owe you nothing, and we are never going to be friends anymore!"

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Chapter 1590: Lord Monarch!

The man casually smiled and said, "Well, you won't owe me anything as long as you don't need my help anymore! If you come to me and ask for my help, you know what I will do!"

The Red Phoenix was furious. She flashed and rushed up to the sky. "Retreat!"

She left as fast as she could with blazing fury in her heart.

The superior cultivators of the Hall of Returning Nature couldn't understand why they must retreat because they obviously won the battle. They noticed the men who came to the battle in the end, but they were obviously weak cultivators...

Well, they were Saint Origin Stage cultivators, but they were below the middle level. They couldn't think of any possibility why the Red Phoenix should listen to them!

No matter what, people of the Hall of Returning Nature must follow orders. Zhu Menghun left before the fight started, and the Red Phoenix retreated in the end. It didn't make sense, but the men still followed the order.

Hundreds of them flew out and collected the dead bodies of their own people. After that, thousands of them flew up to the sky and disappeared.

Only less than forty men were left, who were all injured. They all looked at the two men who came to rescue them.

'Who are they?'

'How is this possible? How did he convince the Red Phoenix by just a few words? She just gave up the victory and left!'

Guan Changfeng was hurt the least among the people. He felt grateful for the men who just saved his father and all the others. He walked over, holding the wound on his chest and said, "Thank you for your help. May I have your name? The Guan Clan and the Song Clan will never forget what you have done for us!"

The two men didn't turn around. One of them blandly said, "I happened to be passing by. It was just a few words. Don't mention it. Farewell."

After that, they were ready to leave.

Master Guan suddenly spoke in a shaking voice, "Monarch Ye! Lord Monarch!"

As Master Guan said so, everybody else was shocked.

'Monarch Ye?'

'Lord Monarch?'

'Is it Ye Xiao?'

'How... How is this possible?'

Anybody could have owed the Hall of Life and Death a favor because of the rules of the Hall of Life and Death. However, it was hard to believe that Ye Xiao would come to save them!

First of all, the City of Chaos was in a horrible balance. The Hall of Life and Death was an important role to keep the balance. It had the power to save anybody from death, and it didn't pick a side in the war.

If the Hall of Life and Death helped anybody, it offended the other forces. It was foolish for Ye Xiao to do such a thing because it might lead the Hall of Life and Death into a dangerous situation.

Second, the City of Chaos had three powerful forces that restrained each other in the city. They all wanted the treatment of the Hall of Life and Death, but none of them could ever earn Ye Xiao's loyalty. The Great Ye Army, the House of Chaotic Storms, and the Hall of Returning Nature were not going to get Ye Xiao's special support. The Great Ye Army had messed with the Monarch's Hall earlier, so it was unreasonable for Ye Xiao to help this organization. It was ridiculous that the Monarch's Hall would rescue the seven clans!

The third was the most important. These men all had served the Monarch's Hall, and they knew how incredible Ye Xiao's dan beads were. They knew he was a great man, and they believed he would come to rescue them despite what they had done to him.

However, they also knew that this monarch was too young and too weak. As they remembered, he was only at level five of the Faery Origin Stage in the beginning and reached level six of the Divinity Origin

Stage when they left. A level-six Divinity Origin Stage cultivator wasn't too weak, but could never make any difference in a battle like this!

The man who rescued them was obviously a Saint Origin Stage cultivator!

As they could remember, Ye Xiao was at level six of the Divinity Origin Stage several months earlier. No matter how fast he improved, it was impossible to reach the Saint Origin Stage!

The men of the two clans didn't believe what Master Guan said!

The man blandly said to Master Guan, "Old man, you are hurt. You must have lost your mind. I am not your Lord Monarch!"

Nobody said anything to respond, but they all agreed. Master Guan was being ridiculous now. Master Song didn't say a word, but he seemed to be enlightened.

Master Guan sadly said, "Lord Monarch, we failed you. The Guan Clan failed you. I have lived a long life, and I have never mistaken a man with my eyes."

The man was obviously Ye Xiao. The Red Phoenix had never owed anybody else a favor!

Ye Xiao stayed silent for a while, and he said, "As a righteous man with honor in the martial world, I should help whoever is mistreated. It is dangerous in the martial world. It is better that we never see each other. Farewell, guys."

Master Guan wanted to say something, but Ye Xiao didn't let him. He and the other man flashed in purple light and disappeared in the sky.

Master Guan didn't have the chance to speak again.

He looked at where the two men disappeared and stayed silent for a long time.

He was lost.

Master Song staggered over and said, "Was it really Monarch Ye? Are you sure?"

Master Song had noticed it, but he hoped Master Guan was wrong. They could owe anybody else, but they wouldn't want to owe Ye Xiao such a favor. They couldn't bear the guilt!

Master Guan coldly said, "Are you blind? Or have you lost your mind? Did you not recognize him, really?"

Master Song suddenly sighed and kept his head low.

Master Guan coldly humphed and said, "One is wise and generous, while the other is stupid and arrogant. One is confident and profound, while the other is a moron. One can stir waves in the world, while the other jump into the waves and get slammed... One treats us as friends and families, while the other treats us as tools... Sadly, we must follow and serve the latter. We have been looking forward to a wise man for all those years, yet it turns out to be a man like that!"