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Chapter 1271: Baptism of the Continen

The boundless light spread out in the ancient starry sky. The ancient spiritual energy was no longer gentle, and it erupted with a terrifying force, freezing the starry sky. In the frozen starry sky, it seemed that even the flow of time had slowed.

In a solidified corner of the starry sky, Lin Dong Elder was frozen. His face was full of rage, but he was unable to move because of the solidification of space.

He was still staring at Mu Chen in disbelief, and was still in utter shock because of the unforeseen circumstances that just happened at lightning speed. He did not think that, at that last moment, Mu Chen's counter-attack would be so fierce! That sword definitely carried an aura of a true Heavenly Sovereign!

However, after the confrontation, the sword's power did not reach the stage that Lin Dong Elder had thought it would. Regardless, that strike did indeed pose a great danger to him. If he was careless, it would not bode well for him!

However, the sword was not enough to frighten him. Instead, what he was really horrified by was the aura of a true Heavenly Sovereign that surrounded it!

He feared that it was an ace card left by the Flame Emperor. As the Flame Emperor was such an extraordinary figure, if he had prepared a trick for Mu Chen, Mu Chen could easily overwhelm him with it!

Thus, in that instant, Lin Dong Elder gathered all of his powers to form a defense in order to save his life. Although he eventually managed to resist the blow of the sword, he had lost the share of the Baptism of the Continent Strength that he had acquired previously.

Furthermore, he had lost 10% of what he should have received! Now, he had only ended up with 30% of the share! This was worse than the average distribution!

Da*n it! Da*n it all! That crafty brat! Lin Dong Elder cursed madly in his heart. He regretted having been so arrogant. If he had been better prepared, he would not have been frightened by Mu Chen's sudden surprise.

As Lin Dong Elder immersed in his regretful thoughts, beyond the starry sky, the West Heaven War Emperor stared at the scene with displeasure. He also looked at Mu Chen in shock and trepidation. That sword carried with it an aura of a true Heavenly Sovereign indeed!

However, it was not the Flame Emperor's aura, but another equally vast and unfathomable aura. At this aura owner's peak of power, even the War Emperor's aura would be insignificant in comparison.

The Flame Emperor said that Mu Chen had gained the Heavenly Emperor's inheritance. If my guess is right, that sword should have been left behind by the Heavenly Emperor. With this sword, he would have been able to regain his share.

As he thought these things, the War Emperor's gaze flickered. He apparently had not expected that Mu Chen would actually hide such a card!

The most alarming thing was that, even in the face of Lin Dong Elder's aggressiveness, he waited quietly until the end to use it! Just when Lin Dong Elder had begun to relax and let his guard down, he then burst into action in order to regain all of the lost shares in one fell swoop! This self-control and foresight was frightening indeed!

The War Emperor took a deep breath, then sighed. He then turned away from Lin Dong Elder, unable to bear looking at him any longer.

Now that the situation was settled, Lin Dong Elder had lost his last chance. The obstacle that he had set to hinder Mu Chen had been completely removed.

As the Baptism Light had already begun to transform, he could not interfere with Mu Chen's baptism. At least, that was unless he forcefully induced destruction by virtue of his being a Heavenly Sovereign!

However, in that case, there would be no doubt that he had broken the rules. If news spread about that, the public would be immensely disdainful of him. This was something that the West Heaven War Emperor, who highly valued his reputation, would not tolerate!

Furthermore, Mu Chen had the Flame Emperor and the Martial Ancestor to back him up. If he had thwarted Mu Chen's chances, even the Flame Emperor, who treated him cordially at the moment, would then despise him!

As things stood, in order to deal with the insignificant Mu Chen, he would have to pay such a heavy price! This was something that the War Emperor was deeply reluctant to do.

So what if the boy really becomes the Child of the Continent? So far, the probability that the Child of the Continent will break through the Heavenly Sovereign stage will be a little higher, but that is a big if. After all, more than 90% of these people will still end up outside of the Heavenly Sovereign rank.

As these thoughts crossed the War Emperor's mind, with a faint smile, he disappeared into this ancient starry sky. So long as they had not stepped into the Heavenly Sovereign stage, whether they were Lower Earthly Sovereigns or Complete Earthly Sovereigns, in his eyes, they were all mere ants!

At the time of the War Emperor's departure, in another part of the ancient starry sky, joy filled Mu Chen's eyes. It was clear that he was immensely satisfied with the final result!

His last card, of course, was the Celestial Emperor Sword that had been left by the Heavenly Emperor. On it remained the aura of a true Heavenly Sovereign, the Heavenly Emperor's aura! Thus, from the beginning, Lin Dong Elder had been utterly terrified by it!

However, Lin Dong Elder did not know that the power of the Celestial Emperor Sword had long been consumed by the Heavenly Emperor in order to kill the Nine Corpse Heaven Demon Emperor. At the moment, the residual power could only allow Mu Chen to use it a few times.

Therefore, in order to avoid falling into a stalemate, Mu Chen chose to use it at the very last minute. Even if Lin Dong Elder had regained his composure, it would have become a foregone conclusion and he

could not counter-attack. The final result was what Mu Chen had expected, or even beyond his wildest expectations!

Specifically, he had wanted to take their shares back, but he didn't expect to take over Lin Dong Elder's 10% too! Apparently, Mu Chen had underestimated how horrifying the aura of a Heavenly Sovereign would be to Lin Dong Elder.

Thinking of this, Mu Chen was unable to resist smiling. He then glanced at the direction where Luo Li was. When he recaptured their shares, Luo Li had split it, but she only took away 30% of her share and left a 40% share for Mu Chen.

"This girl..." Mu Chen was exasperated by her, but he did not decline the kind gesture.

By his side, black and white Mu Chen also stayed put. This was Mu Chen's original intention, as he wanted these two incarnations to also accept the Baptism of the Continent's Strength!

Let's begin... Mu Chen closed his eyes and murmured in his heart.

Buzz!

As if acutely attuned to his thoughts, the ancient and pristine spiritual energy erupted with vast beams of light. Then, light surged and enveloped Mu Chen and his incarnations swiftly.

As the light enshrouded them, Mu Chen immediately felt the ancient spiritual energy begin to penetrate his body. His flesh and blood boiled, devouring these ancient powers greedily!

It felt akin to when an infant had consumed the sweetest breast milk. It was an instinctive desire!

The ancient spiritual energy, also collided with his own spiritual energy as soon as it invaded his body. That feeling was like thick ink flowing into a clear pool of water. His own spiritual energy was growing richer!

Under the Baptism of ancient spiritual energy, Mu Chen could feel every muscle, every bone, and all of his blood undergoing ground-breaking transformations.

Roar!

As there was a tremendous change in Mu Chen's body, all of a sudden, a dragon's roar and a phoenix's cry resounded in the space. The real spirit of the dragon and phoenix on the surface of his body had finally made their reappearance! Mu Chen had not seen them for a long time.

This was because, although Mu Chen had made a breakthrough to the Lower Earthly Sovereign, the real spirit of the dragon and phoenix had yet to do so. This did not render much help to Mu Chen in battles, so Mu Chen had gradually forgotten about them.

But now, under the Baptism of the ancient spiritual energy, the real spirit of the dragon and phoenix had awoken and immediately devoured the energy greedily! As they devoured it, Mu Chen could vaguely feel the power that they possessed, which seemed to also be approaching the Earthly Sovereign stage!

At this rate, it wouldn't take them long to break through to the Earthly Sovereign stage! By then, their usefulness to Mu Chen would once again be immeasurable!

Being the Child of the Continent has its benefits indeed!

Feel the great changes in his body, even with Mu Chen's calm state of mind, he was unable to suppress his ecstasy. It was no wonder that Lin Dong Elder was so urgent in his desire to attain this, as it had such immense and miraculous benefits!

The Baptism Light is so strong! It directly solidifies space and even time! Thus, the flow of time here is very different from that of the outside world. According to the time here, I'm afraid this baptism will last for years! In fact, maybe it's only been a few months in the outside world!

As he felt the changes in his body, Mu Chen also perceived that the time that was passing around him was slowing down. It was clear that the Baptism Strength had changed the space and time continuum of this entire area. The baptism would no doubt last for a long time now!

Mu Chen was quietly relieved, as his training speed far surpassed ordinary people's. Although he was extremely talented, he sometimes still had to calm himself down in order to carefully polish his energy.

After all, no matter how good raw and uncut jade is, it also needs careful carving! IN this way, such an elaborate effort sometimes takes time to cultivate.

Mu Chen slowly closed his eyes, and calmed his mind. He gradually transitioned into a deeper, enhanced state of cultivation. During this long baptism, he also needed to digest his own progress. Only then, with the accumulation of such power, he could then make a breakthrough in the Baptism of the Continent!

In the ancient starry sky, boundless light erupted. The light solidified space and time, and only the five silhouettes, which were enshrouded by the light, radiated glimmers of vitality.

Time, like the space's eternal silence, slowly trickled by...

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Chapter 1272: Uproar

One month after the fight for the Child of the Continent, the people were still excited about it. Not only were the people in the Western Kingdom Continent excited, but the people of the Great Thousand World were as well.

The Child of the Continent was a title well-known in the Great Thousand World. Every Child of the Continent was a genius who possessed the potential to be a Heavenly Sovereign... although only a handful actually managed to become one.

In any case, this title represented strength and potential. No one knew which Child of the Continent would become the next Heavenly Sovereign in the Great Thousand World. This was the reason the people in the Great Thousand World were concerned with everything that was related to the Child of the Continent, even though the Western Kingdom Continent was not well-known in the Great Thousand World.

Many of the top forces were concerned when the Western Kingdom Continent announced their next Child of the Continent, as they were thinking of recruiting the Child of the Continent into their forces. After all, every Child of the Continent possessed the potential to advance to the Heavenly Sovereign-

level, and once he managed to break through, he would bring up the power of the force that he belonged to at the same time.

There was an uproar when they heard about the three Child of the Continents. They realized that among the three, one of them, who was a Lower Earthly Sovereign, had dominated the Battlefield of the Upper Earthly Sovereigns!

Some of the forces in the Great Thousand World were baffled by Mu Chen's performance, and they started to speculate.

"What is Mu Chen's background? How can he possibly win the title of the Child of the Continent, given his strength as only a Lower Earthly Sovereign?"

"Are the Upper Earthly Sovereigns in the Western Kingdom Continent that weak?"

"Mu Chen is not that simple. I have heard that he is related to the Flame Emperor. Could he be the Flame Emperor's disciple?"

"..."

Luo Li had caught the people's attention as well. After all, the Luo God Celestial Body was so beautiful and captivating. Moreover, Luo Li had displayed great talent that took the people by surprise. It was as though the people once again saw the Great Beauty who had caused the Heavenly Sovereigns to fall head over heels for her during the Primordial Age.

"The Child of the Continent at the Battlefield of the Lower Earthly Sovereigns is powerful as well! She has cultivated the Luo God Celestial Body!"

"She is so beautiful. I have heard that during the Primordial Age, the Luo God cultivated the most beautiful Sovereign Celestial Body and Method."

"This lady has great potential. She may be able to advance to the Heavenly Sovereign-level in the future!"

"..."

Lin Dong Elder received the least attention. The people knew that he had been groomed by the West Heaven War Emperor and would remain loyal to him. It would be difficult to recruit him.

In any case, when news of the three Child of the Continents from the Western Kingdom Continent traveled to the Great Thousand World, there was an uproar.

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In the Great Thousand World.

In the bustling city, an elder in linen clothes was walking among the people. He was holding a stick in his hand, and a red gourd was hanging at his waist. Although his body was bent, no matter how the crowd moved, they did not touch his body. It was as if he belonged to a different space.

The elder stopped walking and lifted up his murky eyes to look at the Spiritual Energy Screen on one side of the street. A fierce fight was being shown on the screen. This level of fight was not up to his standard, but when he looked at the screen, light burst out from his murky eyes.

After a long while, he smiled broadly. He took the gourd, gulped down a mouthful of liquid from it, and said, "Heaven is indeed kind. She is a good candidate..." Having said that, he suddenly turned around and disappeared into thin air.

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The Great Thousand World, Myriad Islands Continent.

This was a unique continent formed by several islands. These islands had a greater mass than the other islands, and the largest island was comparable to those smaller continents.

At the center of the Myriad Islands Continent, a large island was surrounded by a bamboo grove. Clouds hung above the island, and it was packed with spiritual energy. This was a precious cultivation place.

If one were to look at it carefully, one would notice that the bamboo was bright like jade and exuded a nice, refreshing scent. By simply smelling it, one would calm down, and one's spiritual energy would be revitalized.

This type of green bamboo was known as Spiritual Jade Bamboo. It could be made into a Spiritual Jade Stick that was lit during cultivation. It could enhance cultivation and prevent one from going into obsession.

This was a rare treasure to most of the cultivators. One Spiritual Jade Stick could fetch a price of about 10,000 drops of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid. This island was filled with Spiritual Jade Bamboo, and if one were to exchange it for Sovereign Spiritual Liquid, it would fetch at least 1,000,000,000... This amount was so large that even the top forces would not be able to come up with it.

Generally speaking, many people would be eyeing such a precious land, especially on the Myriad Islands Continent. However, with the Complete Earthly Sovereigns around, none of the forces had the audacity to eye the Spiritual Jade Island.

The Spiritual Jade Island was owned by one of the five ancient clans in the Great Thousand World. It was the Budur Ancient Clan's estate! The Budur Ancient Clan had a strong base, and even the top forces with Heavenly Sovereigns dared not trifle with them.

The Spiritual Jade Island was thus the safest place in the Myriad Islands Continent. Any forces who visited this island were respectful and showed no sign of covetousness or animosity.

They knew that even if they were well-known in the Myriad Islands Continent, they were nothing in the eyes of the Budur Ancient Clan. If the Burdur Ancient Clan was enraged and sent their Heavenly Sovereign to deal with them, their forces would be immediately eliminated.

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Swoosh!

A spiritual light suddenly came down from the heavens and moved toward the center of the Spiritual Jade Island. A hill was situated there with plenty of greenery that made it look captivating.

Ancient stone towers loomed around the bamboo grove, and a figure landed on a stone tower that was deep within. An elder robed in gray sat cross-legged under the stone tower. There was not much spiritual energy around him, but indistinctly, an obscure aura emanated from him. The figure landed before the elder and knelt down on one knee. The elder remained still and did not open his eyes. A voice then came out from his abdomen. "Did I not tell you not to disturb me when I am cultivating?"

The man kneeling before the elder shivered when he heard it. He immediately said, "Lord, we have found the perpetrator who has been listed on our clan's Wanted List."

Bang!

A horrifying spiritual energy burst out from the elder's body. He suddenly opened his eyes, looking furious. He stared at the man and asked, "The perpetrator stated on the Wanted List? Is he the one that the First Elder talked about?"

"It should be!" The man nodded and immediately waved his hand. A Spiritual Jade flew out and formed a Spiritual Energy Screen. On the screen, Mu Chen and Ling Zhanzi were in a fierce fight.

When Mu Chen took out the Crystal Pagoda, spiritual light burst out from the gray-robed elder's eyes. His face twitched, and after a while, he took a long breath and said in amazement, "That... that is the Holy Pagoda!"

He was amazed, as the Holy Pagoda was rarely seen in the Budur Ancient Clan. Only the most talented ones had the opportunity to cultivate it. Among the younger generation in the Budur Ancient Clan, only one person had cultivated the Holy Pagoda, and he was the Holy Son. Many of the elders in their clan had wanted to groom the Holy Son to take on the position of the next Clan Leader.

The youth on the screen who had cultivated the Holy Pagoda was not the Holy Son!

"This guy looks unfamiliar, and he does not belong to our clan. However, he has cultivated the Holy Pagoda, thus he must possess our bloodline. I believe that he must be the perpetrator mentioned by the First Elder."

The elder squinted. There were many sects in the Budur Ancient Clan, and he belonged to the sect of the Holy Son. They had been trying to get the Holy Son to become the next Clan Leader of the Budur Ancient Clan, and once they succeeded, they would be in control of the clan.

This guy who had appeared out of nowhere had cultivated the Holy Pagoda. Although he was a perpetrator and had no status, the elder did not want to see any changes to their plan.

As he thought of it, he suddenly looked ferocious, and the ambient temperature immediately dropped. He waved his hand, and his cold voice resounded in the area. "Get the Dragon-Elephant Protector..."

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Chapter 1273: Long Xiang

Heavy footsteps resounded in the green bamboo grove. The ground shook with every step, as if it could not take the weight.

Surprisingly, the person with such a heavy footstep was not a heavy person, but a skinny middle-aged man dressed in a black shirt. The man came before the stone tower, and when he saw the elder robed in gray, he stopped and asked, "Elder Gu, how can I help?"

Elder Gu looked at the middle-aged man and said with a smile, "Congratulations, Long Xiang, you have successfully stepped into Complete Earthly Sovereign."

The middle-aged man had an imposing aura and he seemed to be carrying several mountains upon him. Every move he made came with an intense power that shook the space.

"I am just a Half-Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign," the middle-aged man named Long Xiang said flatly.

Elder Gu smiled and said, "Given your talent, it is just a matter of time before you step into Complete Earthly Sovereign." Long Xiang agreed, as he had confidence in his doing so in no time.

"Elder Gu, is there any problem?" he asked again, not wanting to dwell on the subject.

Elder Gu nodded with a smile and said, "I have a task for you. Go and get this Lower Earthly Sovereign for me."

As Elder Gu flicked his fingers, a spiritual light appeared before him. A tall youth then appeared in the screen. It was none other than Mu Chen!

Long Xiang frowned and asked, "He is just a Lower Earthly Sovereign, so why are you asking me to do this?"

"Hohoho, he is not an ordinary Lower Earthly Sovereign. Although he is only a Lower Earthly Sovereign, he has won the position of the Child of the Continent at the Battlefield of the Upper Earthly Sovereigns. Even the Direct Disciple of the West Heaven War Emperor is no match for him. This guy is powerful," Elder Gu said with a smile.

He then added, "I don't think any Upper Earthly Sovereign can deal with him, so I need your help."

When Long Xiang heard this, he squinted his eyes. He then nodded and said, "He is indeed amazing."

Although he was from the Budur Ancient Clan, he was impressed that a Lower Earthly Sovereign could have such amazing results. Even the cream of the crop among the younger generation in the Budur Ancient Clan could not achieve such results.

"Who is he? Why do you want to capture him?" Long Xiang asked Elder Gu.

When Elder Gu heard his questions, he smiled and replied, "This is the order of the First Elder."

Long Xiang squinted his eyes as he recalled something. He then looked at Elder Gu and asked for confirmation, "This is the guy on the Wanted List?"

"Yes, he is the perpetrator," Elder Gu said flatly.

Boom!

At that moment, a horrifying power burst out from Long Xiang's body and his eyes turned cold. The cries of the dragon and elephant resounded from his body and a terrifying aura swirled toward Elder Gu.

Roar!

Elder Gu looked sharply at Long Xiang's aura, while a golden light gathered behind him. It then turned into a golden lion, and as the lion roared, the heavens and the earth quaked, smashing the terrifying oppression into pieces.

When the two of them exchanged blows, Long Xiang moved half a step backward and Elder Gu's body shook. Elder Gu frowned. Although Long Xiang was only at Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, he possessed a supernatural strength and had cultivated the Dragon-Elephant Subdue God Art. As such, he was extremely powerful, and even if Elder Gu managed to defeat him, he would have to pay a high price.

"Long Xiang, are you defying the order?" Elder Gu stared at Long Xiang with authority. He looked fierce, like a lion king.

Long Xiang looked back at him fiercely, then after a long while, he withdrew his aura and said coldly, "He is Young Mistress' son, not a perpetrator. Lion King Gu, you'd better watch your words!"

"Ha, although Qing Yanjing used to be your Young Mistress, she was convicted for violating our rules. She has tainted our royal bloodline, and this is unpardonable!" Elder Gu said. "If you have a problem, go talk to the elders. If they change their minds, I will not say such words to her son."

Long Xiang looked grim and sneered. "I can't be bothered with you. I am not going!"

Elder Gu looked down and said, "The Spiritual Jade Bamboos are about to ripen, so I have to be here. If you are not going, I will have to report to the clan. I do not know who the First Elder will send..."

"Long Xiang, we just want to capture this chap. If you do it, you can still make sure that no harm comes to him. If the First Elder gets angry and sends an elder over, I can't guarantee what will happen to him," Elder Gu warned.

Long Xiang stared at Elder Gu, light glittering in his eyes. After a while, he sighed and said, "Alright, I'll go!"

If he took the task, he would not harm his Young Mistress' son. However, if the clan sent someone who was at loggerheads with his Young Mistress, the situation would most definitely be stacked against her son.

When Elder Gu heard this, he smiled and said, "It is great that you have figured it all out."

Having said that, he suddenly paused and said with a smile, "Long Xiang, I hope you don't come back empty-handed. If this happens, I will hand the deviant girl over to the clan and let them deal with her. I don't think she could take that torture..."

Long Xiang's expression changed, and he stared at Elder Gu and said, "Lion King Gu, I suggest that you don't go overboard. Although Young Mistress has been imprisoned, you should know her character. Even the First Elder can do nothing to her. If you agitate her, no one can protect you. After all, to Young Mistress, you are just an old coot that she can kill at any time!"

When Elder Gu heard the harsh words that had just been spoken by Long Xiang, he became angry and sneered. "Ha, I don't believe that she could behave so recklessly in the clan!"

Although Elder Gu had made such a remark, he did not sound as sharp as he had before. This was because he knew that a Heavenly Sovereign had many means to deal with him.

Long Xiang glanced at him briefly, then walked off without saying another word. Elder Gu looked grimly at Long Xiang and gritted his teeth.

He then said in a deep voice, "I will let you be for the time being. However, when Young Master becomes the Clan Leader, we will control the entire Budur Ancient Clan. We will not be so indecisive like the First Elder. When we have caught the perpetrator, Qing Yanjing will have to do our bidding!"

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Long Xiang left the stone tower and went deep into the bamboo grove. He then came to a black tower and went inside it.

The place was quiet and dark. There was a black prison deep within the tower. The prison was made out of a black rock, which had spiritual light shimmering on it. The light formed an array, sealing the prison up.

As Long Xiang stood outside the prison, he saw a lady in white. She was sitting cross-legged inside the prison.

The lady looked cold and had long hair. She had almond-shaped eyes and long shapely eyebrows. She looked intellectual and composed, even in such a situation.

If Mu Chen was here and saw this lady, he would have been shocked. She was Ling Xi, whom he had lost touch with after they parted at the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy!

Long Xiang looked at the lady in the prison and smiled. He felt that the lady possessed the demeanor of his Master.

Ling Xi lifted up her head and smiled when she saw Long Xiang. She called out, "Brother Long Xiang."

Long Xiang smiled wryly at her and said with a sigh, "Why did you come back here? You know that this is the Estate of the Budur Ancient Clan and that the Complete Sovereigns are guarding this place..."

Back in the time that he was referring to, Ling Xi had barged into the Spiritual Jade Island and had been imprisoned by Lion King Gu for three years.

When Ling Xi heard his words, she curled up her lips and smiled. She looked at the black shiny ground and said, "I came because Aunt Jing was here for a while."

When Long Xiang heard her reply, he rolled his eyes and sighed.

"Brother Long Xiang, why are you here?" Ling Xi asked with a smile.

After hesitating for a while, he said, "We have news of your child."

Ling Xi lifted up her head. After being emotionless for years, she suddenly looked elated.

Mu Chen...Finally, I have news about you...

She lowered her head and smiled.

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Chapter 1274: Advanced to Upper Earthly Sovereign!

The space froze, and time seemed to be lost in eternity. Mu Chen sat in the dark as though he were in his mother's womb, feeling the warmth and tranquility. A total evolution slowly took place.

Under the ancient starry sky, Mu Chen remained still, and the ancient spiritual energy around him turned into mysterious rays of light. His body appeared dazzling as the light shined on him. The rays of light entered his flesh, bones, and blood, making him look more perfect.

As the ancient spiritual energy and the spiritual energy in his body merged together in complete harmony, his spiritual energy gradually became rich. This was a step deeper into the evolution. The grade and power of this rich spiritual energy was at least a level more powerful than his previous spiritual energy.

As the rich spiritual energy flowed in his body, his body emitted vibrating sounds. The inner parts of his body strengthened with every vibration. With the accumulation of such strengthening power, a great evolution was expected when his body was ready.

In the Luo God City of the Western Kingdom Continent, in one of the halls of the Luo God Palace.

Luo Li sat on the main seat and looked at the hall. A middle-aged man sat on a seat, and although he looked skinny, he was surrounded by horrifying power ripples. It was as if he were carrying a mountain.

This was a dangerous person.

Luo Li graded herself. Although she had not stepped into Upper Earthly Sovereign after completing the Baptism of the Strength of Continent, her strength had increased, and she had reached the Peak of Lower Earthly Sovereign.

She had no problem dealing with Ling Zhanzi, but the middle-aged man before her was more powerful than Ling Zhanzi. He must have reached Complete Earthly Sovereign or was only a half step away from it. Although it might be only a half step, he was much stronger than any Upper Earthly Sovereign.

Luo Tianshen, Luo Tianlong, and the other Earthly Sovereigns of the Luo God Clan sat beside Luo Li and looked warily at the middle-aged man.

"Elder, Mu Chen is not here. Please go elsewhere to look for him," Luo Li said calmly.

A few days ago, this stranger had come to the Luo God Clan to look for Mu Chen. However, Mu Chen was receiving the baptism. Even if he had been around, Luo Li would not want Mu Chen to meet this man before she knew his intentions.

The middle-aged man simply shook his head and said flatly, "Since I am here, he will come to me."

Luo Li frowned and asked, "Why are you looking for Mu Chen?"

"To bring him to a place," The middle-aged man replied flatly.

Luo Li frowned even more and looked at the middle-aged man and said, "You may not be able to make him go with you."

She knew that after the Baptism of the Continent, Mu Chen's strength would advance greatly. Even when he was a Lower Earthly Sovereign, he was able to defeat Ling Zhanzi, who was at the Peak of Upper Earthly Sovereign. Although this middle-aged man was a half step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, he would not be able to deal with Mu Chen after his baptism.

When the middle-aged man heard it, he looked down and said with a smile, "If that is the case, I would like to give it a try. I hope he will not disappoint me... If not, Master would have protected him in vain." The last sentence was so soft that only he could hear it.

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Time passed in the darkness.

After a long while, Mu Chen started to awaken from his cultivation. The last ray of light from the starry sky entered Mu Chen's body, and his frozen body gradually returned to normal. He opened his eyes, and his pupils were dark. There was no spiritual light in them.

Although everything was still, Mu Chen had reached the stage whereby he could control his spiritual energy freely. He kept silent and slowly stretched out his arms.

Boom! Boom!

The bones in his body let out a thunderous sound. It was an earth-shattering roar, and the space surged with each roar. Mu Chen stood up with his hair let down. In the next instant, vast spiritual energy burst out from his body.

Boom!

The spiritual energy swirled out and oppressed the entire void. The spiritual energy shot up crazily at an amazing speed, and within seconds, he had reached the Peak of Lower Earthly Sovereign-level.

He did not stop there.

Mu Chen's robe flapped, even though there was no wind, and his spiritual energy slithered around like snakes underneath his skin. Within seconds, large rays of spiritual energy burst out from his body and shot up into the sky.

Bang!

At the sound, the spiritual energy fluctuation heightened. It broke through the bottleneck and brought Mu Chen to the Upper Earthly Sovereign-level! Majestic spiritual energy whizzed around Mu Chen, and it was several times stronger than the spiritual energy that he had possessed during the Battlefield of the Upper Earthly Sovereigns!

Mu Chen withdrew the spiritual light around him and lowered his head to look at his palms that were now filled with immense power. Although he was a composed person, he could not help feeling excited.

Upper Earthly Sovereign!

He had made a big leap with the help of the Baptism of the Continent. From Lower Earthly Sovereign, he had now become an Upper Earthly Sovereign! However, it had not happened overnight.

It takes three years to complete this baptism.

Mu Chen had used three years to obtain such an advancement. However, these three years were based on the timeline in the ancient starry space, and not according to the Great Thousand World. The mysterious baptism had twisted time and slowed it down. Three years in the ancient starry space was less than half a year in the Great Thousand World.

Mu Chen heaved a sigh of relief. During these three years, he had cultivated at a moderate pace and only required consistent advancements to strengthen his foundation. He did not need to start from scratch.

This baptism was in line with his expectations. The three years of training had helped him advance to Upper Earthly Sovereign and had strengthened his foundation. There would be no repercussions in the future when he moved on to Complete Earthly Sovereign or Heavenly Sovereign.

Mu Chen smiled and lifted up his palms. He felt the difference as the majestic spiritual energy gathered in his palms. His spiritual energy was more alive and powerful.

I have heard that every drop of a Heavenly Sovereign's spiritual energy can turn into a river, and it is powerful like a mountain. This thought ran through Mu Chen's mind. The ancient spiritual energy in this stretch of ancient starry sky must be linked to the stage when he would advance to Heavenly Sovereign.

Although Mu Chen was still far away from the Heavenly Sovereign-level, he managed to have a better idea about it after the baptism.

"The Baptism of the Continent is indeed amazing." Mu Chen smiled and was pleased with his gains. No wonder the Flame Emperor had strongly recommended that he go for the Baptism of the Continent.

Mu Chen turned to look in the direction where Luo Li had been previously seated. She must have completed the baptism, as she was no longer there.

"Oh?" Suddenly, Mu Chen saw a spiritual light at the spot, and he waved his hand. The spiritual light flew toward him, and he heard Luo Li's voice coming out of it.

"Mu Chen, someone is waiting for you at the Luo God Clan, but I can't tell if he has any evil intentions. If you are done with the baptism, you must be extra careful. Although I am not sure where he comes from, I believe that he must be from the Budur Ancient Clan."

When Mu Chen heard the name of the clan, he squinted and was filled with killing intent. "Budur Ancient Clan," he said to himself softly. Cold light then appeared in his eyes.

"You are finally here!" Mu Chen's voice resounded in the ancient starry sky as he disappeared into thin air.

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Chapter 1275: The Little Lord

At the Luo God Palace.

The skinny middle-aged man sat on the chair without any expression on his face. He did not move. In fact, one could not even hear him breathe!

If not for the spiritual light in his eyes, one would think that he was a statue. This guy had been sitting there for a whole month!

Luo Li sat on the main seat and frowned. Ever since the man had told her of his intentions, he did not say another word, which made it impossible for her to find out if he had any dark designs regarding Mu Chen. One thing she was certain of was that the man came from the Budur Ancient Clan.

Luo Li noticed that there was a black tower printed on his sleeve. The Budur Ancient Clan was the only extraordinary force in The Great Thousand World.

Mu Chen's mother should be from the Budur Ancient Clan...

Back then, Luo Li had met Mu Chen's mother, which was how she had found out about her background. She knew that it was the Budur Ancient Clan that had separated Mu Chen from his mother. Thus, Mu Chen was not on good terms with the Budur Ancient Clan.

As Luo Li thought of this, she looked at the middle-aged man and said, "You have waited in vain for some time. You should leave. Mu Chen will not come back to this place."

The middle-aged man said, "It seems to me that you have already informed him."

Having said that, the cries of dragons and elephants resounded in his body. At the same time, horrifying power ripples exuded from him and smashed the ground up.

In the face of such a powerful man, Luo Li remained fearless. Then, a majestic spiritual light exuded from her body and a large Sovereign Celestial Appearance appeared behind her.

Although she was no match for a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, she could still contend with him with the help of her Luo God Celestial Body. Moreover, if the middle-aged man started a fight, he would have violated the rules of the Western Kingdom War Temple. When the inspector from the Western Kingdom War Temple found out about it, he would certainly step in.

The middle-aged man did not strike, but instead, he looked depressed. He sighed in disappointment and said, "What a disappointment. He ran away before we could even fight. Does he think that he can continue to be on the run? One day, our clan will find him. What can he do then?"

When Luo Li heard him speaking with disdain and disappointment, she was a little furious. But, before she could defend Mu Chen, she heard a familiar voice coming from the entrance of the hall.

"You are just a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. What makes you think that I will run away from you? You have thought too highly of yourself." Luo Li looked up and saw Mu Chen standing at the entrance of the hall. As the sun shone on him, he looked a little cold, although he was still smiling.

Luo Li heaved a sigh of relief when she saw Mu Chen. Given his strength, even if he could not defeat the Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, the other party would not be able to harm him.

The expression on the faces of Luo Tianshen, Luo Tianlong, and the Earthly Sovereigns who were behind Luo Li changed when they saw Mu Chen. The middle-aged man had come for Mu Chen, and since he had now appeared, the situation would surely get out of control.

They felt suppressed by the Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. After the middle-aged man had a good look at Mu Chen, he seemed to get a bit emotional.

"So, you are Mu Chen!" the middle-aged man said.

"Yes, you are right!" Mu Chen laughed and nodded.

"Great. If you had run away before seeing me, I would have felt sorry for your mother, who has gone to such great lengths to protect you," the middle-aged man said.

Mu Chen shook his head and said, "Like I have said earlier, you are just a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, so you don't have the means to make me run away from you."

As Mu Chen was disgusted with the people from the Budur Ancient Clan, he had no qualms about openly insulting the middle-aged man. The middle-aged man nodded and did not say a word. Just as everyone started to relax, he suddenly stood up.

Roar!

As the roaring sounds of the dragons and elephants surged from his body, he stepped forth. In an instant, he was before Mu Chen and threw out a punch at him.

Although it was a simple punch, as the wind blast of his fist whizzed across the space, a majestic spiritual light surged. Several dragons and elephants appeared in the spiritual light, exuding a horrifying power. This blow was so powerful, it could kill an ordinary Upper Earthly Sovereign!

However, Mu Chen remained expressionless and was not surprised by the attack. As he took a deep breath, spiritual light burst out from his dark eyes.

Roar!

He grasped his fist and punched forward. The spirits of the real dragon and real phoenix on his arm cried out, while an oppression swirled out.

After he had been strengthened by the Baptism of the Continent, the spirits of the real dragon and real phoenix had a breakthrough as well. They had reached the level of a Lower Earthly Sovereign. The two spirits joined forces and infused their strength into Mu Chen's punch.

Although the real dragon and real phoenix were only at the Lower Earthly Sovereign-level, when coupled with Mu Chen's strength, their combined powers were enough to flatten any Upper Earthly Sovereign! Even if Ling Zhanzi was the one to receive the punch, he would be seriously injured.

Boom!

The two powerful punches collided like meteorites.

Bang!

There was a loud bang, but to everyone's surprise, it was not as destructive as they had thought it would be. If they were observant, they would have noticed that the solid ground under the two people's feet had been smashed, creating potholes all around them.

Space warps were formed at the spot where their fists hit each other, and Mu Chen and the middle-aged man both flew backwards several steps before they landed with their feet on the ground. Basically, they were on par with each other!

The exchange of blows took place quickly. After the two of them moved back, Luo Li stood up and looked coldly at the middle-aged man, while a Luo God Celestial Appearance loomed behind her.

The Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign would not be able to escape if she were to join forces with Mu Chen...

Luo Tianshen, Luo Tianlong, and the rest of the Earthly Sovereigns widened their eyes in disbelief. Although they knew that Mu Chen had extraordinary combat force after seeing him defeat Ling Zhanzi, the man before them was a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. As such, his strength was somewhere at the Complete Earthly Sovereign-level, and even a Peak Upper Earthly Sovereign would not be able to take him on!

However, Mu Chen did not show any signs of inferiority or fear when he fought him! In less than six months, Mu Chen had made remarkable progress!

The middle-aged man looked shocked after he caught his balance. He had not expected Mu Chen to be so powerful and valiant. Moreover, he did not have any edge over him!

As his cultivation technique belonged to the progressive force, his punch carried the power of the dragon and elephant. As such, it was immensely overbearing.

However, when he had punched Mu Chen earlier, he could feel some oppression coming from him, as if Mu Chen's power was greater than his. Mu Chen rubbed his fist and looked stunned. He was shocked by the horrifying power that this middle-aged man possessed. If his spirits of the real dragon and real phoenix had not reached the Lower Earthly Sovereign-level, he would have been seriously injured by the man's punch.

This guy is powerful! He is more powerful than a Complete Earthly Sovereign in terms of strength. Mu Chen's eyes glittered. The middle-aged man was not any ordinary Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. As such, it would be a fierce fight between the two of them.

Mu Chen turned grim, and the spiritual energy in his body surged as he stared warily at the middle-aged man. In this instant, the middle-aged man laughed, and his laughter was filled with delight.

He then said to Mu Chen, "You are worthy to be Master's son. You are so outstanding at such a young age!"

Mu Chen was stunned when he saw his warm and delightful smile and heard his words. Before Mu Chen could come to himself, the middle-aged man suddenly knelt down on one knee before him in front of Luo Li and the rest. He no longer looked expressionless, but was filled with respect for Mu Chen.

"Greetings, Little Lord. I am Long Xiang!"

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Chapter 1276: Walking Right into a Trap

"Greetings, Little Lord. I am Long Xiang!" When the middle-aged man bowed with one knee down, Mu Chen was stunned. He had been wary of him and had been preparing for a fight. Luo Li, Luo Tianshen, and the rest were shocked. Apparently, they were also stunned by the sudden change. They were not expecting the middle-aged man, who had looked fierce earlier, to act in such a way. Moreover, judging from his respectful demeanor, he did not seem to be faking it, but rather, it was sincere.

Luo Li and the rest looked at each other with questions in their eyes. They did not understand what kind of stand this middle-aged man was taking.

Mu Chen was stunned for a while before he regained his senses. However, he did not lower his guard. He stared at the middle-aged man named Long Xiang and said, "Are you from the Ancient Budur Clan?"

"Yes!" Long Xiang nodded.

"Then you should know what kind of attitude the Budur Ancient Clan has toward me." Mu Chen gave a faint smile, but his eyes were looking sharply at Long Xiang. "The people from the Ancient Budur Clan would not treat me like this."

Long Xiang nodded again with honesty in regards to Mu Chen's doubts. He said, "Yes, I came from the Ancient Budur Clan, but if it were not for my Lord, I would be dead bones by now. I'm indebted to my Lord. In my heart, my Lord is superior to the Ancient Budur Clan."

Mu Chen blinked. "Who is your Lord?"

Long Xiang smiled and said, "She's your mother, Qing Yanjing."

Mu Chen stared hard at Long Xiang. He did not see any evasion in the latter's eyes. Moreover, when he spoke the name "Qing Yanjing," Mu Chen could sense the respect from the bottom of his heart.

After a moment of silence, his doubt slowly disappeared, and he lowered his guard. Given how those ancient clans like the Ancient Budur Clan worked, they might not resort to using this method just to cheat him. They were formidable clans. As such, it would be more useful to send an authentic Complete Earthly Sovereign or even a Heavenly Sovereign.

Hence, he quickly stepped forward and pulled Long Xiang up from the ground. He smiled. "Please get up, Brother Long Xiang. If you don't mind, just call me Mu Chen. I'm not fit to be called 'Little Lord.'"

Long Xiang shook his head. "Your mother is my Lord. Naturally, you're my Little Lord." He spoke with stubbornness. Apparently, he would not change the way he addressed Mu Chen.

Mu Chen could not help but scratch his head. All these years, he had been working on his own. Although his mother was from the Ancient Budur Clan, and she was an authentic Spiritual Array Ancestral Master, he had never received any special prestige and resources. Hence, he had gotten used to being an ordinary person. He felt extremely uncomfortable when a Sovereign who was a half step to Complete Earthly Sovereign addressed him as "Little Lord" with respect.

However, Mu Chen did not comment any further when he saw Long Xiang's stubborn eyes. "Don't mind my previous words, Brother Long Xiang." In the beginning, when he thought Long Xiang had been sent by the Ancient Budur Clan, he had not been polite to him.

Long Xiang smiled. He said with some consolation, "Little Lord is indeed the child of my Lord. Not only are you gifted, but most importantly, you reached your current level without Lord's help. That is really not easy."

This came from the bottom of his heart. At such a young age, Mu Chen's achievements were extremely astonishing. Not only was he the Child of the Continent from the Western Kingdom Continent, but he had also made it to Upper Earthly Sovereign. As mighty as Long Xiang could be, he did not think he had a chance of defeating Mu Chen, even though he was just an Upper Earthly Sovereign. That was the most daunting thing.

"If Little Lord were to grow up and make use of the resources in the Ancient Budur Clan, I think you would make one of the best candidates for the next clan leader. You are not any weaker than the other Little Lord, Xuan Luo." Long Xiang let out a sigh.

Mu Chen gave a nonchalant smile. He did not feel pity at all. All these years, he was used to being independent. As such, he had no interest in the substantial resources possessed by the Ancient Budur Clan.

"Brother Long Xiang, how is my mother doing now?" Even though Mu Chen was not interested in the resources, he was very concerned with regards to his mother's situation. Previously, he had no connection with the Ancient Budur Clan. He could get details now, since his mother's subordinate had shown up.

"Lord is still held captive in the clan, but she is fine. It's just that she misses you and your father." Long Xiang smiled. Subsequently, he said with some pride, "Lord has unpredictable strength. Even the Great Elder does not dare to push her much. If she was not worried that she might bring trouble to you, I'm afraid none of them could confine her."

Mu Chen relaxed slightly as he heaved a sigh. Come to think of it, if they wanted to fight with a Spiritual Array Ancestral Master, even an ancient clan like the Ancient Budur Clan might have to pay a hefty price. However, Mu Chen felt reproached, and his heart ached whenever he thought of his mother, who had gotten locked up by the Ancient Budur Clan because of him.

"Little Lord, you don't have to blame yourself. If Lord sees your current achievements, she will also be pleased about them," Long Xiang said, as if he knew Mu Chen's thoughts.

Mu Chen nodded. He was not someone who would indulge in sadness. Self-reproach would not help in his current situation. What he needed to do now was to grow stronger, such that the Ancient Budur Clan would not be able to use him as a threat to his mother.

In the hall, Luo Li and the rest finally heaved a sigh of relief when they saw that the hostility between the two persons had disappeared. In any case, this middle-aged man who had seemed like a tricky opponent was a friend and not a foe.

Long Xiang looked at Mu Chen and reminded him, "You won the title of the Child of the Continent in the Western Kingdom Continent. Now your fame has slowly spread. Some people from the Ancient Budur Clan have already noticed you."

Mu Chen was not surprised by this, as he knew that the Ancient Budur Clan was so resourceful that he could not stay unnoticed. However, he was no longer a weak young man. The young cub was finally revealing his claws. Even if he met an authentic Complete Earthly Sovereign, he could give them a fight.

Moreover, if the Ancient Budur Clan sent a Heavenly Sovereign to deal with him, he could also request assistance to fight against them. He could protect himself now. Even though he was not afraid of the Ancient Budur Clan, he would still stay alert and keep his guard up. After all, being one of the ancient clans, the Ancient Budur Clan was not an easy opponent.

Long Xiang nodded. His eyes flickered a little as though some words were stuck in his throat, but eventually, he swallowed them down.

Someone outside of the hall came in and bowed to Luo Li, and then said respectfully, "Your Majesty, someone sent a message to the palace anonymously." The messenger had a jade fragment in his hand.

Luo Li paused slightly before she raised her hand and took the jade fragment. She interacted with it slightly, and the expression on her pretty face changed. She looked at Mu Chen with her beautiful eyes.

"What's wrong?" asked Mu Chen when he saw this.

Luo Li hesitated a little, but she injected some spiritual energy into the jade fragment. Immediately, spiritual light exploded from the jade fragment and formed a light screen. An elder wearing an ash-gray robe appeared on the screen.

That elder was sitting in front of a black pagoda. He locked his gaze onto Mu Chen. He said with an indifferent voice, "The perpetrator, Mu Chen, has probably met with Long Xiang by now. Regardless if he has captured you or not, I just want to tell you this.

"Come to Spiritual Jade Island in the Myriad Islands Continent if you want to save this girl. Otherwise, I will hand her over to the clan, and there will be no mercy when the torture begins." After the elder finished speaking, a black prison cell appeared on the screen. Within the cell sat a cold and quiet white-robed lady.

"Sister Ling Xi!" As soon as Mu Chen saw the white-robed lady, his eyes immediately narrowed. Intense killing intent instantly surged from his eyes.

"If you do not want to see her dead body, come to Spiritual Jade Island. I will be waiting for you." That elder smiled coldly. He swung his robe, and the spiritual energy light screen disappeared. The jade fragment was also reduced to ashes.

Mu Chen looked sullen, and the hall was silent. He never expected that Ling Xi, who had been missing for years, would be imprisoned on Spiritual Jade Island. He turned to Long Xiang and asked in a low voice, "Brother Long Xiang, is what that old fellow said true?"

Long Xiang paused for a moment before he nodded. "Yes, Ling Xi is indeed held captive on Spiritual Jade Island. Previously, the Lion King Gu used her to threaten me. He wanted me to seize you and bring you

back to Spiritual Jade Island. I wanted to travel back secretly and find a chance to rescue her after I saw you. I never thought that old fellow would send a message to you after he sent me here. It looks like he already knew that I would not bring you back after seeing you.

"Little Lord, this old fellow harbors evil thoughts towards you. He wanted you to walk right into his trap. He has managed Spiritual Jade Island for many years, and he put up a strong island defense. Even a Complete Earthly Sovereign would find it tricky. Moreover, the Lion King Gu is a strong Complete Earthly Sovereign himself!" Long Xiang tried to persuade him not to go. Mu Chen had formidable strength, but to him, it was still impossible to go up against a Complete Earthly Sovereign.

Mu Chen gave an enigmatic smile upon hearing Long Xiang's reasoning. He nodded gently and said in a calm voice, "Brother Long Xiang, I know this old fellow wants me to walk right into his trap, but he might not realize something. His trap is too small. When the trap is breached, the hunter will get eaten up by the eagle, not the other way around." Mu Chen smiled slightly. It was a smile full of killing aura. Even Long Xiang could feel the chilliness as though a harsh winter had arrived.

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Chapter 1277: A Moment of Tenderness

Luo God Palace, the back mountains.

Boom! Boom!

The thunderous and violent booms resounded nonstop in the mountains. Dust and smoke lingered in the air, and the earth was shaking.

Two figures were criss crossing each other like electric shocks. Each time they made contact, devastating fluctuations would erupt, like two colliding meteors. As they exchanged blows, the fluctuations that rippled out caused great damage to the mountain range.

Bang!

Another hard collision caused both figures to shoot backward. As their feet landed on the ground, all of the solid rocks on the mountain were reduced into ashes instantly.

"Haha, that was wonderful!" Mu Chen stood firmly and rubbed his slightly red fist.

His handsome face was filled with a joyful smile. The previous head-on collision was indeed delightful and satisfying.

The figure who had appeared in front of Mu Chen was Long Xiang. In contrast to Mu Chen's satisfaction, Long Xiang's eyes were filled with awe and shock.

These past few days, he had become the training assistant due to his strength as a half-step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. As Mu Chen had just reached the Upper Earthly Sovereign, he needed someone to assist him with the adaption of the explosive power. Long Xiang seemed to be the best choice.

Long Xiang, of course, did not reject this request, as he also wanted to test how daunting Mu Chen's combat power was if he were to push it to the maximum. But the results of that test had really shocked him!

In the beginning, Long Xiang felt that the circulation of Mu Chen's power was not smooth. This was probably because Mu Chen had yet to adapt to the Upper Earthly Sovereign's spiritual energy.

At this time, if it was just their pure strengths battling one another, Long Xiang could still gain the upper-hand. However, as time passed, Mu Chen was adapting to the power level of the Upper Earthly Sovereign quickly. Hence, his combat power was surging at an incredible speed.

Just days after that, Long Xiang had discovered that he could no longer gain any advantage over Mu Chen when they wrestled using only their pure physical strengths.

Long Xiang was horrified by this. After all, he was already a half-step to Complete Earthly Sovereign, and the art that he had cultivated was skewed towards physical strength, too.

As such, Long Xiang was not a weak opponent as compared to the other Sovereigns at the same level. Yet, he had been pushed to the state whereby he could gain no upper hand over Mu Chen, who was only an Upper Earthly Sovereign. This, of course, shocked him to no end!

At the same time, Mu Chen had yet to display his other means. This was the most important matter. Long Xiang had a feeling that, if Mu Chen used all of his means on him, he would definitely be able to conquer Long Xiang.

"The Little Lord is really unpredictable. I'm impressed." Long Xiang sang Mu Chen's praises.

Long Xiang could not help but be impressed, as Mu Chen had reached this stage with just the strength of an Upper Earthly Sovereign. Long Xiang looked at Mu Chen's young and handsome face.

As he did so, he felt more confident about Mu Chen. He thought that, given Mu Chen's ability, he might actually be able to rescue Ling Xi from the Spiritual Jade Island.

Mu Chen smiled casually in the face of Long Xiang's flattering exclamation. He had been able to tie with Long Xiang in the physical strength battle, not only because he had a similarly strong physical body, but most importantly, because he had the spirits of the real dragon and real phoenix.

Mu Chen estimated that, even without using his spiritual energy, he could still win against the rest of the Upper Earthly Sovereigns with his physical strength alone. Also, if he was to meet a half-step to Complete Earthly Sovereign like Long Xiang, he could still win.

As he was having all these thoughts, Mu Chen suddenly lifted his head. On a hill that was not too far away, a pretty figure was standing and looking over with her beautiful eyes.

"Little Lord, I'll take my leave first." Upon seeing Luo Li's arrival, Long Xiang gave a smile.

Mu Chen nodded. "We will leave for Spiritual Jade Island in three days."

"Yes!" Long Xiang answered respectfully, then walked away.

Mu Chen watched him as he left. Soon, his figured appeared before Luo Li.

Luo Li seemed to have just ended a meeting in the Luo God Clan, as she was still dressed in her gorgeous, long purple gown, which was noble yet elegant. Her slender waist, paired with the close-fitting dress, showcased her busty and seductive curves.

No one could take their eyes off of her exquisite features. As the gentle breeze blew, her long hair gently swayed to and fro. Luo Li's ravishing beauty took Mu Chen's breath away.

As Mu Chen looked at the girl in front of him, a gentle smile surfaced on his face. Even his stiff body could not help but relax in front of her.

With her around, he could always put down all of his responsibilities and enjoy a rare moment of peace. But, the passion in his eyes intensified as he stared at Luo Li.

Upon meeting his passionate gaze, a blush climbed onto Luo Li's pretty face. She threw him a stare, and just when she was about to say something, Mu Chen lurched forward.

As his manly breath came directly at her, Luo Li's natural reaction was to take a step back. But, she stopped herself subsequently, as a strong arm held her thin waist. Then, with one tug from Mu Chen, she fell into his arms.

Sensing her warm body in his arms, he looked at her blushing cheeks and saw the shyness in her eyes. Mu Chen could not suppress his emotions, and he lowered his head down and kissed her soft and tender red lips.

Luo Li tensed up immediately. But soon, her stiffness was replaced by a passionate response to Mu Chen.

As she wrapped her arms around Mu Chen's neck, her eyes were half-closed. This seductive look was extremely bewitching.

The breeze gently blew on the hill, while the couple hugged each other tightly. It was as though they wanted to release the passion that they had suppressed all these years all at once.

After the kiss went on for a long time, Luo Li finally let go. She could feel that her face was piping hot. She then buried herself in Mu Chen's chest, her usual dignified and elegant look as the Queen of the Luo God Palace being replaced with a quite shy look.

As Mu Chen looked at her, his eyes seemed to be surging with fire. His breath became heavy. He then tipped himself over and locked the girl under him on a grassy patch.

Just when he could not control himself any longer and wanted to make a move, a pair of hands blocked him in front of his chest. He lowered his head and met a pair of bright eyes.

"No..." Luo Li bit her little red lips and said softly.

This moment of interruption cleared Mu Chen's mind suddenly. The fire in his eyes dissipated and he gave her an awkward grin. He knew that the suppressed emotion all of these years had become too overwhelming, so much so that he had lost control all of a sudden.

They were at the mountain range that was behind Luo God Palace. Patrols would come through here from time to time. If they saw Mu Chen bullying their Queen, they might even launch a lethal offense against him, without even considering the difference in their levels.

Seeing that Mu Chen had stopped his advances, Luo Li finally put down her hands on his chest. Her pretty face was still blushing with shyness.

She was slightly taken aback by the sudden emotion that had just erupted from Mu Chen, so she had resisted as a reflex reaction. If they had been in a different place, she might not have had the courage to resist Mu Chen at all. As she thought of this, her face grew even redder.

Mu Chen looked at her tempting, delicate face and sighed. He then murmured, "A juicy piece of fine meat just escaped from my mouth!"

Luo Li could not help but to punch Mu Chen on his shoulder with her small fists when she heard his metaphor. Soon after this, she bit her little red lips and lowered her pretty face.

Then, with a small voice, she said, "When you become a Heavenly Sovereign and rescue your mother, I'll agree to anything you want."

Towards the end of the sentence, Luo Li's voice shook slightly, indicating how shy she was. Mu Chen stared at her with his eyes wide-open. He did not expect that Luo Li would tempt him with this.

So, he asked righteously, "Do I look like I'm that kind of person?"

As he spoke, the heated blood in his body and his slightly red-skin were the only telltale signs that could prove that he was pretending. But, Luo Li was a smart one, so she could see through his forced playacting with one look.

Then, she drew her lips together slightly and pushed him away with her hands. She then brought her legs closer to her chest and tied up her long hair.

With a smile, she said, "Pretend that I never said those words."

Mu Chen was slightly stunned, so he said reluctantly, "You are the Queen of the Luo God Clan. You should be keeping your word. How can you change your mind whenever you like?"

After that, he saw a teasing smile slowly surface at the corner of Luo Li's moist, red lips. Then, without any warning, he threw himself onto her.

"How dare you make fun of me?" he asked, while tickling her.

"Hehe!" She giggled.

The young man and the girl were laughing and playing with each other on the grassy patch. Their joyful giggling was delightful to hear. Over the past few years, both of them had led uptight lives, and such a carefree moment was scarce.

This heartwarming scene continued for quite a while before Mu Chen and Luo Li finally stopped giggling. They then sat on the hill and watched the sun setting on the other side of the sky.

"Have you decided to go to Spiritual Jade Island?" asked Luo Li, while she leaned her cheek on Mu Chen's shoulder.

Mu Chen nodded. "Sister Ling Xi is there, and I need to save her."

Even though Spiritual Jade Island might be full of traps, Mu Chen had to go. After all, Ling Xi had given him a lot of help in the past, so their relationship ran deep.

"Don't you want to tell Mandela?" Since she is a Complete Earthly Sovereign, it would be safer if she tagged along.

Mu Chen shook his head. "The Mu Estate has just started. Although we have conquered the North Territory, the various top-notch forces in the Tianluo Continent are still eyeing us. Mandela had to stay in the Mu Estate to protect it. Otherwise, the new establishment in the North Territory could collapse at any time."

Luo Li nodded gently and smiled. "Okay, then let me go with you this time."

Mu Chen was a little stunned by this. Initially, he thought that Luo Li could not leave the Luo God Clan. After all, the clan needed her.

However, they have been separated for many years now, so naturally, Mu Chen wanted to stay longer with Luo Li. But, he knew that, in order to protect his loved ones in the future, he needed to endure the momentary loneliness.

Apparently, Luo Li regarded him as being so important, she would agree to follow him at this time. Seeing Mu Chen's shocked gaze, Luo Li gave him a cheeky smile and said, "Most of the important issues in the Luo God Clan are settled. So, there won't be any changes anytime soon. Moreover, you were always alone in the past. This time, let me share the burden with you."

Mu Chen was touched when he heard this. He did not bother to reject her by giving her a reason of it being too dangerous, as he knew that such an excuse would not work on her.

Hence, he stretched out his arm and held her slender waist. He then let out a burst of heroic laughter that echoed throughout the sky.

"Fine! Let's brave this together!" he said with a smile.

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Chapter 1278: The Three Complete Earthly Sovereigns

Myriad Islands Continent.

On the vast continent, the gigantic Transfer Spiritual Array emitted bright Spiritual Light as people walked in and out of it within the bustling city. Mu Chen, Luo Li, and Long Xiang walked out of the Transfer Spiritual Array. The moment they did so, Mu Chen felt the strong wind from the sea blowing in his face. The taste of the sea filled the entire land. Even the spiritual energy between heaven and earth was incredibly moist.

"So, this is the Myriad Islands Continent...?" Mu Chen was a little stunned by the bustling atmosphere in the city. The human traffic was not any less than it was in the Western Kingdom. Rumor had it that the entire region was surrounded by an endless ocean, and an island as huge as some continents sat within it.

Similar to Tianluo Continent, there was also no supreme power ruling over the Myriad Island Continent, and the chaotic situations were almost the same as those on Tianluo Continent. With many heroes and powerhouses fighting with each other, battles were common on the Myriad Islands Continent.

"This is Moluo Island. The one who rules this island is an Upper Earthly Sovereign who has a little fame on this Myriad Islands Continent," said Long Xiang, who was standing to the side. Apparently, he seemed to know this island quite well.

Mu Chen nodded and asked, "Where is Spiritual Jade Island?"

"It's still far from here, so it will be about two more days before we reach it." Long Xiang hesitated for a while before he continued, "Little Lord, Lion King Gu is not someone easy to deal with. Beware of him."

Mu Chen smiled. "Don't worry. So long as there is no Heavenly Sovereign on Spiritual Jade Island, he might not be able to keep me there with his strength of Complete Earthly Sovereign." Even though Mu Chen was only an Upper Earthly Sovereign now, he was confident that he could get away from a Complete Earthly Sovereign.

Long Xiang did not say anything else when he heard this. He made a move and beamed across the sky, flashing towards the endless ocean. Mu Chen and Luo Li looked at each other and followed him immediately.

Within the Myriad Islands Continent, the ocean was vast and full of various natural disasters. Sometimes the spiritual energy merged with the continuous cold current forming a frozen waterfall that was hazardous even for Earthly Sovereigns. Luckily, with Long Xiang's guidance, Mu Chen and Luo Li did not meet many obstacles. Two days later, they were close to their final destination.

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The three figures stood on the surface of the ocean. Mu Chen looked far ahead with spiritual light flickering in his eyes. The scenery in the distance became clearer. A huge emerald island appeared. The island was shrouded by the intense spiritual energy of heaven and earth. It was a rare and precious location. Even from a distance, Mu Chen could feel the spiritual energy lingering above the island. The intensity of the spiritual energy on the island was stronger than that of any islands he had seen before throughout the years.

"The Ancient Budur Clan lives up to its name, indeed. No one dares to eye such a remarkable land, even though it is the best location for cultivation." Mu Chen let out a sigh. If this valuable land was occupied by some other top-notch forces, they might endure constant harassment, even with a Complete Earthly Sovereign guarding the place.

However, no conflicts could be found within miles around this island. Apparently, these regions were under Spiritual Jade Island's protection. Other forces did not dare to poke their noses into it.

"I will sneak onto the island and find a chance to save Ling Xi to prevent Lion King Gu from using her to threaten you," Long Xiang said to Mu Chen.

Mu Chen nodded. "Luo Li and I will hide at the bottom of the ocean. Be careful." If they could save Ling Xi without having to fight, that would be the best choice. As for Long Xiang, his strength of half step to Complete Earthly Sovereign could not be taken lightly. Hence, even if Lion King Gu sensed his presence, he could not do anything to Long Xiang for the time being.

Long Xiang agreed with a nod. He took a deep breath and beamed out towards Spiritual Jade Island. Mu Chen and Luo Li submerged their bodies into the sea and concealed their spiritual energy aura. They dived in closer to Spiritual Jade Island through the sea.

Shoo!

Long Xiang traveled, and he soon closed in on the island. No one stopped him. In a flash, he appeared before the black pagoda deep in the island. An elder in an ash-grey robe was sitting quietly with his legs crossed under the black pagoda just as he had before Long Xiang had left. When Long Xiang landed, he opened his eyes. With a smile, he looked at Long Xiang and asked, "Have you completed your mission?"

Looking calm, Long Xiang said, "Mu Chen is currently the Child of the Continent of the Western Kingdom Continent. When he was just a Lower Earthly Sovereign, he defeated an Upper Earthly Sovereign. Now he has hit Upper Earthly Sovereign, so even I can do nothing to him. If you want to capture him, I'm afraid Protector Gu will have to do it personally."

Lion King Gu was not at all angry. He grinned and nodded at the same time. Without adding any further comments, a slight tinge of eeriness could be found in his eyes. "In that case, leave this matter to me and take your hands off of it from here. By the way, someone from the clan came to Spiritual Jade Island, too. Let me introduce to you."

Long Xiang narrowed his eyes slightly once he heard this.

"Hehe, Long Xiang, long time, no see." A figure slowly walked out from the bamboo forest on the right. He was wearing an oversized red robe and had a head full of white hair. A gigantic black fish was embroidered on his vibrant robe. It looked exceptionally eerie.

When Long Xiang saw this person, he could not help but change his expression. He let out a cry, "Evil Fish Liang? What are you doing here?!"

Evil Fish Liang was a member of the Ancient Budur Clan, and he was also a Complete Earthly Sovereign. His strength was not any less than Lion King Gu's. Long Xiang did not expect that Lion King Gu would invite him over.

"Hehe, Long Xiang, you look surprised that I'm here." Lion King Gu smiled with a gleam in his eyes. Then, he looked to the left of the bamboo forest and smiled. "I didn't say only one old friend was here."

Long Xiang felt his heart thumping as he turned to the left. A green-robed elder had been standing between the bamboo trees without anyone knowing. The green-robed elder had a scraggy body that looked like a desiccated corpse. His eyes were ghastly cold. Various colorful snake runes seemed to be engraved on his robe. Similarly, he exuded a tyrannical spiritual energy fluctuation. Apparently, the green-robed elder was another authentic Complete Earthly Sovereign.

"Green snake Ancestor?!" Long Xiang took a deep breath. This old fellow may not have been a member of the Ancient Budur Clan, but he was one of the renowned people in the Myriad Islands Continent. Basically, he was one of the most powerful Sovereigns in the continent.

Long Xiang was not expecting his presence. Three Complete Earthly Sovereigns were now gathered in this place!

Lion King Gu looked at the two and said with a smile, "Sigh, I'm getting old, so I had to be more careful than ever. I set up a trap for the perpetrator, but I was also worried that I would screw things up. Hence, I invited these two good friends to save the day. Long Xiang, what do you think?" Lion King Gu looked at Long Xiang.

Long Xiang felt a heavy weight on his heart, but he nodded with a poker face. This old fellow was indeed cunning. In order to deal with Mu Chen, he had resorted to such a lineup. The situation today just got complicated.

Lion King Gu gave a heart-warming smile and said, "If that is the case, why don't you invite the two of them here, Long Xiang?"

Radiant light surged in Long Xiang's eyes. He looked coldly at Lion King Gu. This old fellow had already sensed Mu Chen and Luo Li lurking around.

Roar! Long Xiang let out a long roar towards the sky. A burst of laughter that sounded like the roaring of a dragon and an elephant resounded throughout heaven and earth. His roar was filled with warnings, and three distinct roars were sent out to convey a message that there were three Complete Earthly Sovereigns.

The Green Snake Ancestor knit his eyebrows as soon as he heard it. The sharp hissing sound of a snake rang out in an attempt to conceal the Dragon-Elephant's roars. Lion King Gu stood up and looked outside. With a volume that rang like a large bell, he said, "Perpetrator Mu Chen, since you dared to come here, why don't you show yourself? Otherwise, I'll hand Long Xiang and Ling Xi over to the clan for internal punishment." His voice rumbled across the land, and the sonic wave even created waves across the nearby ocean.

Rumble!

As soon as he was done speaking, rough waves started to crash in the ocean just outside Spiritual Jade Island. Waves that spread across thousands of miles gathered and swept towards Spiritual Jade Island like dark clouds looming over their heads. Massive dark figures, accompanied by the waves, appeared above the island.

The three Complete Earthly Sovereigns cast their razor-sharp eyes towards the figures above the waves. Two figures stood on the water. One of them was a young man with piercing eyes. He exuded a sharp aura as though he were an unrivaled, treasured sword that could inspire fear with just a look at it.

Mu Chen stepped on the waves and looked down from on top of them. He stared at the three Complete Earthly Sovereigns and finally stopped his gaze on Lion King Gu. His calming voice slowly resounded. "What can you, an old fool, do when I show myself?"

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Chapter 1279: Stealing the Array

Mu Chen's calming voice slowly passed through Heaven and Earth, then lingered above the Spiritual Jade Island. Lion King Gu furrowed his brow when he heard Mu Chen's arrogant tone.

He lifted his head and looked at the slender figure who was standing on the wave. Then, with a faint smile, he asked, "How dare a mere Upper Earthly Sovereign speak to me in such a way? How arrogant!"

Boom!

A boom was as he spoke his last word, and a visible daunting sonic wave swept toward Mu Chen. The sonic wave was extremely tyrannical, and any ordinary Upper Earthly Sovereign would be badly mutilated if they came into contact with it.

However, Mu Chen, who had once dominated the Battlefield of the Upper Earthly Sovereigns in the Western Kingdom Continent with his strength of a Lower Earthly Sovereign, was no ordinary existence!

Hence, when he saw the sonic wave sweeping towards him, Mu Chen took a step forward firmly and opened his mouth. As he did so, a roar that sounded like the cry of the Dragon and the Phoenix bellowed out from his mouth.

Roar!

The rolling soundwaves, accompanied with a majestic aura of the real dragon and real phoenix swept out. The soundwave then bombarded the sonic wave that came from Lion King Gu. A shockingly thunderous rumble could be heard in Heaven and Earth.

The ocean current that was under Mu Chen and Luo Li burst into action at this time. Its downpour came suddenly, then formed into a massive rain screen that shrouded the entire Spiritual Jade Island.

Seeing that his sonic wave was stopped easily by Mu Chen, Lion King Gu slightly narrowed his eyes. He was thinking that an Upper Earthly Sovereign could never do that even, if it were just a sonic wave attack. Yet, Mu Chen had done it!

"Hmph, you indeed have some skills. It is no wonder that you can be so arrogant as to dare to come to my Spiritual Jade Island to get your people." Lion King Gu sneered.

"But, no matter how skillful you are, you are still just an Upper Earthly Sovereign." Evil Fish Liang grinned widely.

He then stared at Mu Chen with a pair of cold eyes and said, "Heh, is he the perpetrator? Although he seems to have some talents, he is still far from the Little Lord. Old Gu, I think you are being too cautious..."

Lion King Gu and he belonged to the same faction in the Ancient Budur Clan. Hence, he was also one of the supporters of the Little Lord, who was gaining favor in the clan. Previously, when he had received news that this perpetrator could be the downfall of the Little Lord, he came from far away just to get rid of him.

Lion King Gu smiled faintly when he heard this. "No matter what, he could have cultivated the Holy Pagoda. Just this point alone is sufficient for us to stop him from improving and getting stronger. Otherwise, there will be unforeseen complications in the future."

Even though no one could surpass his Little Lord in his point of view, the cautious Lion King Gu did not like to take any chances. As such, it would be best to eliminate him while there was still a chance to do so.

Evil Fish Liang pouted, but he did not object to this idea because Lion King Gu's concern was valid. Thus, they did their bests to support the Little Lord in becoming the next clan leader.

After all, if they took a wrong stand, they might be subjected to oppression. Hence, they had to clear some of the obstacles for their Little Lord!

"If that is the case, we cannot let this lad escape today." Evil Fish Liang paused, then said, "Although the Great Elder had mentioned that it would be best to capture him alive, if we meet the perpetrator, I guess that the Great Elder will understand if we hurt him severely during the process of capturing him."

Lion King Gu nodded. Here stood three Complete Earthly Sovereigns today. Even if Mu Chen had remarkable ability, he could never escape from all three of them.

Long Xiang darted back at this time and stood beside Mu Chen and Luo Li. His face was grave as he said, "Be careful. The Lion King Gu has invited another two Complete Earthly Sovereigns. Now, there are three Complete Earthly Sovereigns!"

Even Long Xiang would be afraid when confronting three Complete Earthly Sovereigns. Given his skill, he might be able to hold his own for a short while with a Complete Earthly Sovereign.

However, it would be hard to actually win against one, let alone three men! Such a feat was way beyond his expectation.

But, compared to the uneasiness of Long Xiang, Mu Chen was rather peaceful, as he had expected right from the start that there would be more than one Complete Earthly Sovereign in the Spiritual Jade Island.

"Perpetrator Mu Chen, you have nowhere to run. Surrender now, and I can let the rest of your group go." At this time, Lion King Gu spoke.

"Oh? Do you want to try?" Mu Chen gave him a cheeky smile, yet there was no warmth in his pitch-black eyes.

Despite the fact that there were three Complete Earthly Sovereigns in front of him, he had his ways of countering them. Mu Chen's fearlessness slightly stunned the trio of Sovereigns.

After all, they were all veterans, who had cultivated for many years. Given their vigilance and experience, they could tell that Mu Chen was not putting up a false front, but did indeed have some winning cards up his sleeve. However, they really could not imagine how daunting those winning cards were.

"You are such a stubborn lad. I will make sure that you lose all hope!" Lion King Gu's eyes flickered as he gave him a ghastly smile.

Then, with a swung of his robe, uncountable beams of spiritual light charged into the sky, coming from the Spiritual Jade Island. These beams of spiritual light entwined with each other, and in the blink of an eye, an enormous spiritual array was formed. The spiritual array possessed a daunting aura, which exuded from it gradually.

"This is the Cosmic Descent Star Array! Can you even circulate such a huge array?" Long Xiang watched in amazement as the enormous spiritual array filled the skies that were over the entire Spiritual Jade Island.

Mu Chen stared at the enormous spiritual array with a frown. He then let out a low groan because he could sense a familiar fluctuation from this spiritual array.

"Hehe, Of course I can't. But, Brother Evil Fish brought a Myriad Arrays Token, which helped me to force my way through the center of this array. In that way, I managed to gain control of it again." As Lion King Gu looked at Mu Chen, a mocking smile surfaced on his face.

He then said, "This spiritual array was left behind by your mother, Qing Yanjing, but I don't think that she would have ever thought that this spiritual array would have been used against her own kid many years later! That's ironic!"

Mu Chen narrowed his eyes. It was no wonder that he found this spiritual array to be familiar. It was actually set up by his own mother!

"Lion King Gu, you are really a disgrace. I can't believe that you would actually trigger an Island Protection Array!" Long Xiang reprimanded him angrily.

"Winners win and losers lose. Who cares about the process?" Lion King Gu retorted coldly.

An icy radiance flickered in Mu Chen's eyes, while his killing intent surged. He was angered that Lion King Gu had made use of the great array that his mother had left.

"That's enough talking for now. You can talk all you want after we capture you!" Lion King Gu did not elaborate further.

Instead, he swung his robe, and the enormous spiritual array started to circulate with a boom. The next moment, dozens of starlights fell like a meteor rain, heading directly towards Mu Chen!

To be on the safe side, as Lion King Gu and the rest did not want to fight directly, they tried to borrow the strength of the spiritual array to force Mu Chen to use his trump cards. They figured that, by the time he used them, they would be prepared for whatever came next.

"Be careful!" Long Xiang yelled quickly, once he saw that situation.

But, Mu Chen stretched out his hand and stopped him. His eyes flickered as he stared at the incoming waves of starlights. To everyone's astonishment, he did not even bother to put up a defense.

"You fool! Do you think that the spiritual array can recognize people?" Lion King Gu immediately sneered at him.

However, Mu Chen continued to ignore him. He lifted his head and stared at the incoming wave of sweeping starlights, a strange complication flashing in his eyes.

Shoo!

As the starlights loomed overhead, they made a sudden and extremely bizarre turn around him, just when they were about to make contact with Mu Chen's body. The wave of starlights then swept back towards Lion King Gu and the rest, all while they looked on with petrified expressions on their faces!

The dozens of starlights pierced through the air and formed a Starlight Prison. The Green Snake Ancestor was trapped by the prison, as he did not manage to flee in time.

This sudden change was out of everyone's expectations, apart from Mu Chen. Lion King Gu and Evil Fish Liang were so shocked, their eyes were wide.

"Lion King Gu, what are you doing?" the Green Snake Ancestor was petrified.

"It's not me!" Lion King Gu was looking sullen.

He clenched his palm immediately, and a green token appeared in his hand. He tried to circulate the token to regain control of the enormous array and undo the trap that had ensnared the Green Snake Ancestor.

But, when he tried to circulate it, he could sense some resistance coming from somewhere deep within the Spiritual Jade Island. This resistance caused him to lose the authority to control the Island Protection Array!

"Da*n, the control right has been taken away!" Lion King Gu immediately cast a fierce gaze over to the area of land that was deep within the island. The sound of his gritting teeth filled the air.

"It's Ling Xi, that sl*tty slave!" As he raged, doubts began to fill his mind.

He did not know how Ling Xi had stolen the right to control the Cosmic Descent Star Array. Nevertheless, he could vaguely feel that he was losing control of things today!

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Chapter 1280: Versus the Complete Earthly Sovereign

In the dim underground prison, a cold beauty in a white dress was silently sitting down cross-legged. At this moment, her head was slightly lifted, and she saw the figure on Spiritual Jade Island as if her vision was able to pierce through the ground.

"Mu Chen." A faint smile slowly cracked on Ling Xi's elegant face. Back when snatching the Great Protection Array of Spiritual Jade Island, her spiritual senses had already extended outwards and shrouded the whole island. Therefore, she had witnessed that the currently matured Mu Chen was no longer an inexperienced young man. Apparently, during all these years, Mu Chen had really grown up.

"Mu Chen, I will help you restrain that Complete Earthly Sovereign. However, you guys still need to handle the remaining two," Ling Xi muttered. Using the Great Array left by Qing Yanjing, even though Green Snake Ancestor was a Complete Earthly Sovereign, she still had confidence that she could keep him trapped. However, this was all she could do. Mu Chen and the others still had to deal with Lion King Gu and Evil Fish Liang themselves.

Looking at the dark ground layer with her beautiful eyes, Ling Xi's low voice slowly rang out in the silent prison, "Let me see how much you have grown after all these years."

On Spiritual Jade Island.

When the Cosmic Descent Star Array suddenly changed its target and trapped Green Snake Ancestor, Long Xiang was completely stunned. He never expected things would take such a turn.

"Sister Ling Xi must have been taken over this spiritual array." Mu Chen smirked and was not surprised by this turn of events. That was because when the spiritual array appeared, he could faintly sense Ling

Xi's spiritual fluctuation. Normal people could not detect this type of spiritual fluctuation. Only Mu Chen, who was also a Spiritual Array Master, could sense it. That was why when Lion King Gu activated the spiritual array to capture him, he did not resist at all. He knew that the attack would be redirected in the end.

"Ling Xi?" Long Xiang's face was full of consternation as he said, "How can she do that?"

Staring at Spiritual Jade Island, Mu Chen mused, "Didn't you mention before this island was the place my mother rested calmly? She might have left something here. And in all the years Sister Ling Xi has been confined here, in reality, she might have been just training in secret."

Hearing this, Long Xiang was shocked and quickly replied, "That is it. I am afraid that is the case. I was wondering why Ling Xi would come here and hurl herself right into the trap, allowing Lion King Gu to confine her in this place. So, she had an ulterior motive!"

Mu Chen smiled. Looking at the ashen-faced Green Snake Ancestor, Mu Chen said, "Since Sister Ling Xi handled one of them for us, we shall deal with the remaining two ourselves."

Listening to his words, Long Xiang gave a hollow laugh. Even though Green Snake Ancestor is trapped, Lion King Gu and Evil Fish Liang are both authentic Complete Earthly Sovereigns. How can the three of them win against them?

"Brother Long Xiang, if you team up with Luo Li, you guys should be able to fight head on with one of the Complete Earthly Sovereigns."

Long Xiang was stunned for a moment and then turned his gaze towards Luo li. He understood her background quite well. Knowing Luo Li had cultivated the Luo God Celestial Body, her combat power was beyond his imagination. Even though she was still a Lower Earthly Sovereign, Long Xiang would still have to put in a lot of effort to defeat her if they were to fight. Hence, if they were to team up, handling a Complete Earthly Sovereign would not be an impossible task.

But if things are set up this way, won't Mu Chen have to face a Complete Earthly Sovereign alone?

As Long Xiang was hesitating, Luo Li smiled slightly and said, "Brother Long Xiang, you don't have to worry about him. If he arranged the matchup this way, he must have confidence about this."

Apparently, she still had utmost faith in Mu Chen. Listening to her words, Long Xiang nodded, smiled wryly, and said, "If the situation worsens, we shall retreat first. Then Lion King Gu will dare not to do anything to Ling Xi."

Mu Chen smiled but had no comment.

As they spoke, Lion King Gu and Evil Fish Liang turned their shadowy gazes towards them. Apparently, they had understood the change in the spiritual array. Looking at Green Snake Ancestor, Lion King Gu spoke with a somber expression, "Don't panic, Green Snake. You just focus on attacking to prevent that lowly woman from activating the array. When we get a hold of those three guys, we will release you immediately."

Green Snake Ancestor grunted but slowly regained his composure. Although this turn of events was unexpected, it did not matter in the long run. With Lion King Gu and Evil Fish Liang's strength, handling the three weaklings would be a piece of cake.

After reassuring Green Snake Ancestor, Lion King Gu turned his cold gaze towards Mu Chen. His eyes were so cold that it seemed to make the place's temperature drop. "Do you think that lowly woman can save you with her surprise attack? Today you shall fall at my hands. You can't escape, even if you grow a pair of wings right now!"

Bam!

As soon as Lion King Gu's voice faded, a spiritual fluctuation suddenly brewed up like a typhoon. It was so scary, it left the land itself in turmoil. A terrifying spiritual pressure surrounded the sky and earth.

Evil Fish Liang smiled coldly and stepped outwards. A scary spiritual energy on par with Lion King Gu's erupted towards the sky. The land turned dusky in a 10,000-square-mile area under the pressure of these two scary spiritual energies. High tides also surged up in the surrounding sea, making countless Spiritual Beasts quickly evacuate the area. None of them dared to stay near Spiritual Jade Island.

Seeing the two Complete Earthly Sovereigns releasing their scary pressures, Long Xiang and Luo Li's faces became dignified.

In spite of this, Mu Chen's eyes still remained sharp. Under his skin, the spirits of the Real Dragon and Real Phoenix slowly materialized. Although these spirits currently only had the power of a Lower Earthly Sovereign, they still had the most noble bloodline of the Dragon and Phoenix Clan. With their gifted prestige, the pressure from the two Complete Earthly Sovereigns had no effect on Mu Chen.

Mu Chen stared at Lion King Gu, and his eyes suddenly became blazing hot. If he had not broken through, he would surely have retreated when facing a powerful opponent at the level of Complete Earthly Sovereign. However, now that he had reached the level of Upper Earthly Sovereign, he had closed the distance between him and Complete Earthly Sovereign. This level of opponent was no longer unbeatable.

Bam!

As soon as the burning fighting spirit flashed in his eyes, his figure suddenly pounced outwards aggressively in Lion King Gu's direction.

Mu Chen's sudden first move made Lion King Gu blink. With a breathtaking smile, Lion King Gu said, "You are really an ignorant brat. If you really want to die, then I shall fulfill your wish!"

A normal Upper Earthly Sovereign that met him would be scared, trembling like a mouse. However, not only was Mu Chen not afraid of him, he still took the initiative to launch the attack. This was without a doubt provoking the prestige of a Complete Earthly Sovereign.

Bam!

Mu Chen's figure was like lightning. In the next moment, he appeared in front of Lion King Gu like a ghost. Afterwards, he took a deep breath, and his body seemed to have thunder rumbling inside of it.

Bang!

Without changing his facial expression, he launched his punch. As he threw out his punch, it was seen that the Real Dragon and Real Phoenix Spirit had materialized on his arm. The cries of the dragon and phoenix rang out. Golden light shrouded his arm like mercury, making it look like a dragon-phoenix glove. However, to fight against a Complete Earthly Sovereign, it was not enough, even though he activated the power of the Real Dragon and Real Phoenix spirit!

Therefore, when the power of the Real Dragon and Real Phoenix spirit was surging without reserve, a crystal-like pagoda appeared deep in Mu Chen's eyes. At this moment, the spiritual energy in his body was flowing into the pagoda. It then turned into a majestic Crystal Spiritual Energy and whooshed out.

When Mu Chen was at the level of Lower Earthly Sovereign, the spiritual energy in his body could fight against an Upper Earthly Sovereign after the conversion of the Holy Pagoda. Now that he had become an Upper Earthly Sovereign, the conversion effect was abnormally astounding.

Bam!

When the converted majestic spiritual energy surged out from Mu Chen's body, his originally black eyes actually turned a lustrous crystal color. At the same time, as Mu Chen threw out his punch, it was seen that there was a crystal light surging. His whole fist transformed into a crystal fist that looked like it was hammered into shape using crystal.

As the punch passed over, even the space was directly torn apart. Countlessly space shards that had been sent flying disappeared immediately when they came into contact with the punch.

Aware of the sudden burst of terrifying spiritual energy from Mu Chen's body, even Lion King Gu's eyes narrowed slightly. This was because that level of spiritual energy made him feel slightly uneasy. "This brat actually learned the Holy Pagoda!"

A killing intent flashed in Lion King Gu's eyes. As a Budur Ancient Clan member, he naturally understood that a pagoda had the ability to amplify spiritual energy. However, only the Holy Pagoda was able to amplify an Upper Earthly Sovereign to this level!

"Hmph, even if you have the Holy Pagoda, you are still a mere Upper Earthly Sovereign. I don't believe you can overwhelm me!" Lion King Gu snorted coldly, and his eyes became fierce. Making seals with one hand, he suddenly let out a slap using his palm.

Bam!

As he threw out the slap, it was as if he had summoned a lofty bright light. Lion King Gu's palm seemed to contain a bright sun. He slapped it mercilessly at Mu Chen's incoming crystal punch with a brilliant might.

"With this slap of mine, I want you to know how invincible a Complete Earthly Sovereign is! Under my palm, no matter how you struggle, you will only be kicking the pricks!" As Lion King Gu let out an astonishing growl, his Palm of Light slapped out abruptly. In the next instant, it slapped heavily on Mu Chen's fist with its power of destruction.

At the moment of contact, Lion King Gu's lips curled into a ferocious smile. He knew that in the next moment, Mu Chen would either be dead or wounded.