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Chapter 1301: The Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy

After Dong Shan and his team had left, the strong spiritual energy fluctuations from Wen Qingxuan and her team gradually calmed down. They had thought that the fight would be inevitable, but fortunately, Mu Chen and his team had arrived on time and frightened Dong Shan and his team away.

"Are you all right?" Mu Chen asked with a smile as he turned to look at Wen Qingxuan and her team.

Wen Ziyu cupped his fist with a smile and said, "Thank you, Brother Mu. If it was not for you, we would have had to fight it out today."

"Ha. If we really get into a fight with them, they will be the ones to suffer." Wen Qingxuan snorted. A coldness glittered in her eyes, as apparently, she was quite upset with Dong Shan.

Mu Chen was a little taken aback. He could tell from Wen Qingxuan's tone that she was not bragging. However, among the six of them in her team, Wen Ziyu was the most powerful.

He was a Half Step to Earthly Sovereign, but it seemed impossible for him to contend with Dong Shan, who was a Complete Earthly Sovereign. Needless to say, there was still a great disparity between the two of them. So, judging from the situation, Wen Qingxuan and her team must have some hidden trump cards.

When Wen Qingxuan saw Mu Chen's stunned look, she put her hands on her hips and said proudly, "You had better not look down on us. If we did not have any means, we would not be here!"

"However, what about you? Don't tell me that you are depending on Sister Ling Xi and Long Xiang to protect you!" Wen Qingxuan said jokingly as she tilted her head to one side, while sizing up Mu Chen.

Although Mu Chen currently possessed the power of an Upper Earthly Sovereign, the teams that had come to the Ancient Holy Gulf also possessed great strength. The level of an Upper Earthly Sovereign was considered as high, but among the teams, he was deemed as ordinary, as only a true Complete Earthly Sovereign could take these people by storm.

Among the four people in Mu Chen's team, only Ling Xi seemed to possess this ability. Even Wen Qingxuan felt that she was the most powerful person in the team.

Mu Chen smiled and glanced at her without saying another word. He then asked, "Is someone eyeing you?"

The earlier team that was comprised of the Demon Slayers had not only blocked the path of Wen Qingxuan and her team, but they had hidden in order to ambush them. Thus, it was apparent that they were targeting them!

When Wen Qingxuan heard this, she stopped smiling and her eyes turned cold once more. She then said, "If I have guessed correctly, they should be acting under the instructions of Wu Jia from the Gobi Desert."

"Wu Jian from the Gobi Desert?" Luo Li's eyes turned grave and she said, "The Gobi Desert is a top force, and they are as powerful as your clan. They have quite a reputation in The Great Thousand World."

Wen Qingxuan nodded and said, "We have paid a high price to obtain the information about the Heavenly Sovereign Relic. However, Wu Jia secretly came in and stole that information from us."

She then added, "As only Wu Jia and my clan knew about the information, since Dong Shan and his team are here to stop us, I believe that Wu Jia must be the one behind this."

Wen Ziyu, who was beside Wen Qingxuan, nodded and said, "If Dong Shan did not have the backing of Wu Jia, he would not have had the audacity to do this. As such, I believe that Wu Jia and his team are already on their way to the Heavenly Sovereign Relic."

Mu Chen nodded, then asked, "Can you share with us the information about the Heavenly Sovereign Relic?"

One could not stress enough how valuable the Heavenly Sovereign Relic was. If Wen Qingxuan and her team did not have any information about the Heavenly Sovereign Relic, Mu Chen and his team would have a hard time finding it.

Although Mu Chen had helped Wen Qingxuan and her team get out of trouble, he was not someone who would use it to force Wen Qingxuan to provide him with the information. So, as he made his request, his tone was filled with humility. He simply needed to have detailed information so that he could assess the risks that were involved.

As Wen Qingxuan had no intention of hiding the information from them, she said, "You are now our partners. We will definitely tell you whatever we know. The Heavenly Sovereign Relic was left behind by a Heavenly Sovereign by the name of Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy during the Primordial Age."

"Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy?" Mu Chen repeated the name, while he and Luo Li looked at each other in amazement.

"Yes. The Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy is known for her ability to refine pills. Although she only possesses the strength of a Spiritual Grade Heavenly Sovereign, the pills that she refines are so good, even the Divine Heavenly Sovereigns praise them," Wen Qingxuan explained.

She then added, "There are still a lot of elixirs in the relic. The elixirs are valuable, and every time an elixir is out in the market, the top powers are instantly after it. The same applies to the Saint Spiritual Pill. I have heard that it is able to help a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign cross the bar and step into the Complete Earthly Sovereign level. In fact, Wen Ziyu's objective for this trip is to get ahold of a Saint Spiritual Pill."

As Wen Qingxuan said this, she pointed to Wen Ziyu, who was standing beside her. When Wen Ziyu heard Wen Qingxuan mention the Saint Spiritual Pill, he could not hide his excitement.

Wen Ziyu was not alone. Even when Long Xiang heard it mentioned, he swallowed hard. He was a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign as well, so of course he was interested in the Saint Spiritual Pill. This Saint Spiritual Pill could help them do away with the years of cultivation that were currently needed before crossing the Half Step bar. Once that had it, they could cross that bar instantly! "Of course, the Saint Spiritual Pill is not the best accomplishment of the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy. According to rumors, the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy's favorite creation is her Sublimation Pill. In fact, she is quite proud of it, as this pill is able to bring any Super Power to the next level, including the Rare Super Power!" Wen Qingxuan said.

When Mu Chen heard this, he was speechless. Although the effect of the Sublimation Pill seemed ordinary, he knew how difficult it was to bring up the level of a Rare Super Power. He knew this because the Immortal Golden Body that he had cultivated was a Sovereign Celestial Body that possessed three Sovereign Super Powers.... The Immortal God Rune, the Immortal Lotus, and the Immortal Change of Life and Death.

After cultivating for some time, Mu Chen had only reached the first level. He still had not developed the second level, which was the Immortal Lotus.

If I could get my hands on a Sublimation Pill, I will be able to activate the second Sovereign Super Power! When Mu Chen thought of this, he became excited.

"Other than these things, there are many other elixirs that the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy left behind in the Heavenly Relic. The value of these elixirs is too great to mention, and even my clan is eyeing them," Wen Qingxuan said.

Mu Chen nodded. The elixirs that had been left behind by a Heavenly Sovereign, who was quite good at alchemy, were indeed treasures. If Wen Qingxuan's clan managed to get their hands on them, their status and power would be greatly enhanced.

"No wonder Wu Jia has gone all out to stop you. He will stoop to any means to get such a great treasure!" Luo Li exclaimed. She knew that, if Wu Jia could get his hands on the Heavenly Sovereign Relic, his strength would be greatly enhanced and he would no longer be afraid of them.

Wen Qingxuan nodded. Then, she looked at Mu Chen and his team and said, "If we are successful in this mission, each team will get half of the elixirs."

When she said that, everyone was shocked. Even the few top powers from the Wen's, who were standing behind Wen Qingxuan, were taken aback. They all looked at one another with their jaws dropped, as this amount was beyond what they had ever expected. After all, the Wen's had paid a high price to obtain the information.

To put it bluntly, if they were to look for partners according to this portion, many of the teams who were more powerful than Mu Chen and his team would have pounced at the opportunity to collaborate with them. However, just as they were about to open their mouths, Wen Qingxuan looked sharply at them to stop them.

She then said calmly, "The Heavenly Sovereign Relic does not belong to us yet, so do not take it as though we already own it. You can tell from what Wu Jia has done that he is going all out to get ahold of the Heavenly Sovereign Relic. As we are already behind them, if we depend on our own strength, we may not even get a single thing out of all of this."

She paused for a while and looked thoughtfully at Mu Chen, then smiled and said, "Moreover, based on a woman's instinct, I think that Mu Chen is worth this price."

Although she had mocked Mu Chen earlier, her instinct told her that, out of the four people in Mu Chen's team, Ling Xi was actually not the most powerful among them. Although Mu Chen was only an Upper Earthly Sovereign, she felt that he was indeed the most powerful.

Since Wen Qingxuan held a high status, the rest of them did not have any objections. Wen Ziyu then stood out, smiled at Mu Chen, and said, "In this case, we will have to depend on Brother Mu to help us have a fruitful trip."

Mu Chen smiled back at him, then shifted his gaze to look at Wen Qingxuan. After pondering for a while, he said, "Although it may seem like we are taking advantage of you by accepting this gracious portion, I believe that you will find it a good deal."

Although he sounded extremely gentle and calm, his smile was filled with confidence. It seemed magical, as it had instantly put the minds of the top powers at ease.

Wen Qingxuan took a long look at Mu Chen. The confidence that he exuded was similar to the time when he had fought with the five Academies in the past. Although he had to face many powerful opponents, he had been filled with so much confidence in himself that not only had he boosted his own morale, his confidence had boosted the confidence level of all of the people around him as well.

After all these years, although Mu Chen had gone through a lot, he still possessed that same selfconfidence. In this world, only those people who continued to trust in themselves would not be defeated by the trials and obstructions that life threw at them. These were truly the only ones worthy enough to climb to the top!

As Wen Qingxuan smiled, she looked extremely captivating. She was indeed as beautiful as Luo Li.

She stretched out her hand and said with a smile, "I hope that we will have a great partnership."

Mu Chen smiled and stretched out his hand to grab ahold of her small, tender hand. "We will definitely succeed in that..."

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Chapter 1302: Wu Tong

The mountains were stacked up against each other. On a luxuriantly green hilltop, a man was standing on a pine tree with his hands behind his back. He was looking far and deep into the mountains. A while later, he suddenly turned around. With a faint smile, he said, "Brother Dong, I guess the plan failed since you're here now."

A figure with a darkened look walked out from behind the woods. It was Dong Shan, who had fought with Mu Chen earlier. Dong Shan spoke in a cold and hard tone, "Wu Tong, your plan failed. Wen Qingxuan is smart. With one look, she could tell that we had colluded in the first place."

Under the pine tree, the man by the name of Wu Tong had a head full of red, flaming hair. In his slender palm, he was rotating two golden balls with complicated runes on them. Occasionally, the spiritual fluctuation let out from his body was vast and deep like the ocean, and no one could belittle his presence.

He laughed when he heard Dong Shan, and he said casually, "It was just a test. I never thought this would be successful. Despite failing it, the Wen's suffered many losses given the strength of your team, correct?

Dong Shan's expression further darkened. "They got away safe and sound. At the very last moment, a team that was completely new to me poked their noses into it. They are the helpers Wen Qingxuan invited."

"Oh?" The rotation of the golden balls in Wu Tong's hands stopped momentarily. "What's their strength?"

"An Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master and a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign," said Dong Shan. Apparently, Mu Chen and Luo Li, who were only Upper Earthly Sovereigns, had been utterly overlooked.

"An Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master?" Wu Tong squinted slightly and smiled gently. "Looks like Wen Qingxuan was not too dumb. She actually knew how to find helpers. But does she think she can change anything just because she has an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master?"

"The Wu's have prepared for the Spiritual Butterfly Relic for years. How could I give them any chance?"

He turned around and smiled at Dong Shan. "Brother Dong, let's go to the relic together. Rest assured that the Wu's will not forget the reward that I promised you."

"I hope so." Dong Shan gave a silent sneer. The scar on his face was rather hideous when his face was twitching. His team had lost four Upper Earthly Sovereigns trying to intercept Wen Qingxuan and her clique. The loss impacted them significantly. After all, the people whom he had lost were experienced and fearsome.

Thinking of it, Dong Shan's eyes started to turn cold. "When you capture them, leave that lad, Mu Chen, to me. I must let him know that death is the price for offending me."

"Up to you." Wu Tong laughed casually. He did not have any interest in Mu Chen's identity. To him, Wen Qingxuan and the rest were losers, and he had no time for losers. He looked into the distance and stared deep into the mountains. Greed slowly welled up within his eyes. "Spiritual Butterfly Relic... Hehe. Whether I can be the second Heavenly Sovereign of the Wu's in the future will depend on this round."

"Pass the orders down. We are setting off!"

"We need to rush ahead and prepare some presents for them." He made a sudden turn, and his voice echoed off.

Shoo!

His figure darted out and beamed into a flash of light charging deep into the mountains. Numerous cold and black figures thrust out of the dense woods and followed closely behind him.

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Shoo!

Back in the mountain range, ten light figures flitted low in the air as they looked out towards the mountains.

"The Spiritual Butterfly Relic is right in the middle of that mountain range. Given our speed, we will arrive in another hour." Wen Qingxuan moved closer to Mu Chen while they were traveling. She sent her crisp, clear voice wrapped within spiritual energy to Mu Chen and the rest. "But the people from the Wu family should be ahead of us, so we need to get there as quickly as possible to prevent them from beating us."

Mu Chen and Luo Li nodded. They had not traveled so far just to pick up the remains left by the other party. Hence, they upped their speed drastically and flitted across the sky. A booming sound seemed to be resounding quietly in the air.

An hour later after their full-speed charge, Wen Qingxuan, who was leading the way, gradually slowed down. Her long-slit eyes were looking somewhere far ahead.

Mu Chen and the rest followed her gaze. They saw an emerald miasma looming over the mountains. The spread of the miasma was so extensive that it seemed to have enveloped the entire mountain range.

Mu Chen took a sniff and felt the spiritual energy in his body become shaken up. An extreme feeling of repulsion surged from the bottom of his heart that wanted him to stay away from that zone encompassed by the emerald miasma.

"The miasma is poisonous," Mu Chen said with a stern face. Apparently, the entire emerald miasma was full of lethal poison such that even Earthly Sovereigns would find it hard to manage if they barged in.

Wen Qingxuan nodded slightly. "I heard that the miasma was formed using some of the elixirs left by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy. The poison is powerful. Once it gets into your body, even a Complete Earthly Sovereign will suffer severely from it."

Mu Chen frowned and looked at Wen Qingxuan's pretty face. Her expression was still laid-back. He smiled. "Looks like you are well-prepared."

Wen Qingxuan smiled with a gleam in her eye. She did not deny it. She swung her hand, and lights beamed out to them. Mu Chen opened his palm and received an ice-blue pill exuding a stream of cool aura. Everyone felt freshened up.

"These are the Icy Heart Elixirs, the antidote for poisons produced by the Endless Fire Territory. They are expensive. Each pill can cost up to millions of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid drops. Keep it under your tongue, and it can neutralize the miasma's poison."

"Produced by the Endless Fire Territory?" Mu Chen looked at the Icy Heart Elixir in his hand with interest. He could not help but sing praises about it. As one of the top three elixir-refining venues in the current Great Thousand World, pills and elixirs produced by the Endless Fire Territory were the representative brand in the Great Thousand World.

Mu Chen threw the Icy Heart Elixir into his mouth, and an icy coldness took over in it. His entire body felt clean and refreshed at the same time.

"Let's go. Everyone, please be extremely careful from now on. By entering the miasma, we are entering the relic zone. This zone is filled with danger, and it will not be that easy-going like before," Wen Qingxuan reminded them. She did not add any further comments. In a flash, she took the lead and flitted out.

Mu Chen and the rest followed suit. They beamed into ten streamers and charged towards the encompassing emerald miasma. Once they entered the miasma, Mu Chen and the rest immediately felt the sky darken slightly. When the emerald miasma came into contact with their bodies, they could feel that the gas was trying to quietly invade every part of their bodies.

When the miasma entered his body, Mu Chen immediately sensed that the Spiritual Energy in his body seemed to be decreasing. He made a deeper connection and realized that non-visible particles had invaded his body without his knowledge. The particles started to suck up his spiritual energy like a thirsty seed.

Sensing such a situation, Mu Chen had a slight change in his expression. However, before he could do anything, a cooling aura began to circulate in his body. As the coolness passed through his body, the particles were frozen into powder.

Phew.

A gust of white air spurted out from his nose as Mu Chen breathed out. Some powder fell out of the white air. Apparently, that was the miasma's poison.

"What a daunting poison!" Mu Chen looked solemn. Luckily, Wen Qingxuan had everything prepared this time. Without such an expensive antidote, the miasma there would have tied their hands and feet.

Weng.

But, just when Mu Chen was secretly feeling lucky, a tiny buzzing sound suddenly resounded throughout heaven and earth. Immediately, his eyes narrowed. A crimson cloud was charging rapidly from the emerald sky ahead. As it was getting closer, they realized that it was not a cloud but a swarm of crimson beast-like mosquitoes.

The swarm of beast-like mosquitos was large in number. They shrouded the land and took over the sky. They might have been just size of a fingertip, but the sharp stings on them were flickering with emerald radiance. Apparently, they were extremely poisonous.

However, after his personal experience with the tyrannical poison of the miasma in this area, Mu Chen did not dare to belittle anything in there. He immediately swung his robe, and violent spiritual energy swept out into a Spiritual Energy Light Shield enveloping everyone in it.

Bang!

The swarm of mosquitoes continued sweeping in and banged hard onto the Spiritual Energy Light Shield.

Boom! Boom!

The moment they knocked themselves onto it, their bodies exploded, spurting fresh scarlet blood onto the light shield. The Spiritual Energy Light Shield was instantly eroded. If not for Mu Chen quickly

pumping his spiritual energy to maintain it, the Spiritual Energy Light Shield might just have exploded into pieces in the first wave of attack.

Even so, Mu Chen was not looking good with the endless kamikaze offense. He could feel the spiritual energy in his body depleting quickly. Maintaining the spiritual energy defense against the swarming suicide mosquitoes required a large amount of spiritual energy.

Wen Qingxuan quickly informed him, "Mu Chen, they are the Poisonous Ghost Mosquitoes. Their blood can erode spiritual energy and is rather tyrannical!"

Mu Chen nodded. He immediately circulated his spiritual energy to maintain the Spiritual Energy Light Shield protecting everyone. They made their way through the swarm of mosquitoes, trying to get out of it as quickly as possible, but soon, his idea failed. For some reason, more and more Ghost Mosquitoes swept in, looming over them from all different directions, making their journey difficult. At this rate, they would meet more difficulties, and their speed would be greatly reduced.

Mu Chen knit his brows tightly, and his expression darkened. After a while, his eyes narrowed slightly, and a cold voice passed to Luo Li, Wen Qingxuan, and Ling Xi. "Something is not right. Someone is circulating these Ghost Mosquitoes against us!"

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Chapter 1303: Elixir Beasts

"Someone is controlling these Ghost Mosquitoes!" Wen Qingxuan and Luo Li were shocked when they heard Mu Chen.

Instantly, Wen Qingxuan's expression turned cold. "It must be the Wus! They wanted to stop us!"

"Any idea how we can figure out who is behind all of this?" Wen Ziyu looked at Mu Chen. If that fellow continued to mess with them, their energy consumption might be significant, even if they could make their way through the sea of mosquitoes!

Radiance slightly flickered in Mu Chen's eyes. He swept his gaze across the swarm of mosquitoes that covered the sky like a black canvas, then said, "Those mosquitoes interact through soundwaves. The one who is secretly controlling them should be using soundwaves, too."

"Sister Ling Xi, can you build a Soundwave Spiritual Array?" Mu Chen asked.

The spiritual arrays that Mu Chen had were mainly for offense, and their effects were not as good. However, Ling Xi was different. She focused on cultivating spiritual arrays. Hence, Mu Chen could not compare with her.

Ling Xi nodded as soon as she heard his question. She flicked her fingers, and the spiritual seals started to infuse with the air around her.

The next moment, a spiritual light beamed shot out of it and an exquisite spiritual array appeared before them. Then, a shadow that resembled a huge drum emerged within the spiritual array.

Dong!

As the spiritual array began to circulate, the huge drum vibrated hard. All of a sudden, a low drumbeat that sounded like a thundering roar resounded between Heaven and Earth. For a moment, the buzzing sound from the swarm of mosquitoes was deadened.

Weng!

As the drum sounded again, the mosquitoes went into a frenzy. Those mosquitoes that initiated suicide attacks on Mu Chen and the rest were suddenly stunned and started to fly in all different directions.

"Run!" Mu Chen yelled as he circulated the Spiritual Energy Light Shield and charged forward.

Dong! Dong!

As the drum beat continued to echo, the Spiritual Energy Light Shield hurtled through the swarm of mosquitoes. Within a few minutes, the sky had brightened up again and Mu Chen and his clique were safely out of the mosquitoes' zone.

All of them looked back and saw the endless swarm of mosquitoes dispersing in all different directions. The proper formation that they had earlier was now in a state of complete disarray!

"Someone really is controlling them." Wen Qingxuan's pretty face gradually turned ice-cold when she saw this.

Mu Chen squinted as his eyes looked at the dense forest below them. He then cast his gaze north, as he could feel a slight spiritual energy fluctuation coming from that direction.

Bang!

While Mu Chen was looking in that direction, a shadowy figure began to retreat speedily. He made his way through the forest in an attempt to flee.

"Trying to escape?" Long Xiang narrowed his eyes instantly, and with a stomp of his foot, his body turned into a flash of lightning.

As he darted into the forest, a violent spiritual energy fluctuation soared towards the sky. After a while, he stopped. As he held a grey-robed figure in his hand, he seemed like he was out of breath.

"This fellow was indeed ruthless! He knew that he was about to be seized, so he swallowed poison and committed suicide!" Long Xiang threw the corpse aside, while feeling slightly bewildered.

These enemy forces, which could raise warriors that were not afraid to sacrifice themselves, were clearly not ordinary forces!

"He was a Wu Warrior from the Wus." Wen Qingxuan recognized the warrior's identity with just one look. She then cast her beautiful and cold gaze towards the mountains and said, "I know who came from the Wus this time..."

"Who?" Wen Ziyu asked.

"Wu Tong," Wen Qingxuan said in a cold tone. "The Wu Warriors who are at such a level are precious resources within the Wu family. As such, only a handful of people can mobilize them. Wu Tong was among them."

Upon hearing her words, Wen Ziyu looked shocked. Apparently, he was familiar with Wu Tong.

"Wu Tong was one of the most outstanding men in the current generation of the Wu family. I even heard that he was the appointed candidate to become the next governor of the family. He was indeed a gifted person. He cultivated for more than ten years before he reached the Complete Earthly Sovereign level."

She paused, then continued, "In the Wu family, he was a superior powerhouse, who was known to be ruthless and was not easy to deal with."

After Wen Qingxuan had explained to Mu Chen and the rest of the group who had not heard of the Wu family, Mu Chen nodded. He had not heard Wu Tong's name before this moment, but regardless of how tricky he was, he would not be concerned.

"Looks like they are determined to get the Spiritual Butterfly Relic this time." Wen Qingxuan pursed her red lips and stared into the woods.

She then grunted coldly and said, "No matter what, it will not be that easy to snatch the treasure out from under my nose! Let's go. We need to get to the Spiritual Butterfly Relic as soon as possible!"

Wen Qingxuan then took the lead and flit away as Mu Chen and the rest immediately followed. They all beamed into streamers and headed deep into the mountains that were shrouded in the poisonous miasma.

After they had left, a shadow that was near a tree suddenly moved. The shadow was surrounded by an eerie and evil aura. Although the figure was only standing under that big tree, the tree was quickly withered by the figure's aura anyway.

Even the spiritual energy of the universe was instantly drained from the area where that figure was standing. A death aura filled the figure's dark grey eyes as he gazed in the direction where Mu Chen and the rest had just headed. Then, he grabbed a handful of soil, stuffed it into his mouth, and swallowed it.

"A Demon Emperor did indeed perish on this land! Its soil tastes delicious!" As he laughed, his face contorted into a ghastly snarl. The figure then disappeared into the darkness.

Meanwhile, Mu Chen and the rest were flitting above the dense forest. At this time, he began to understand the dangers and risks that were hidden within this region that was enveloped by the poisonous miasma.

Ever since they had braved the swarm of mosquitoes, they had encountered attacks from dozens of poisonous creatures intermittently.

These creatures were rather cunning, and if they did not stay alert at all times, the group might suffer numerous casualties! Luckily, after many dangerous encounters, they managed to make it through the mountains.

"That's our destination! The Spiritual Butterfly Relic!" Wen Qingxuan stood on a hilltop and pointed to somewhere far away in the distance.

There, the mountains seemed to have come together to form a magnificent cave. The cave was shaped like a spiritual butterfly that had just spread its wings. It was quite a phenomenal scene.

At that moment, a colorful spiritual energy spurt out from the cave. This wasn't surprising, as the location was a high-quality and treasured land that was quite suitable for cultivation.

"If this place is not located in the Ancient Holy Gulf, it will be a good place to establish a new sect." Mu Chen looked at the Spiritual Butterfly Cave and could not help but sing its praises.

Such a cave paradise, with the protection of the poisonous miasma outside, seemed a perfect location for cultivation. After hearing his words, Luo Li and Wen Qingxuan nodded their heads in agreement.

"Our target is in right in front of us. Let's get ready!" Wen Qingxuan looked at Mu Chen and the rest of the group.

She then nodded, and all of them beamed out and charged into the magnificent Spiritual Butterfly Cave. Once they entered the cave, they realized that the lights in the cave were much brighter than the outside's natural lighting.

The cave was wide and broad, and it had numerous tunnels that led deep into the cave. Although these tunnels stretched out in many different directions, Mu Chen and the rest did not split into different groups recklessly. Instead, they chose a single tunnel and made their way through it together.

Suddenly, the tunnel became slightly dark. After they had gone a little further, they saw a stone palace at the end of the tunnel.

As they entered the stone palace, the first things that they saw were ten crouching stone beasts! These beasts were guarding the only exit in the stone palace.

Mu Chen looked at the ten stone beasts. Although these stone beasts had no spiritual energy at all, he sensed that they were not simple.

Then, sure enough, when the group stopped walking, the ten stone beasts slowly opened their eyes and a daunting spiritual radiance surged out from them!

Roar!

As the beasts roared, the thunderous sound echoed within the stone palace.

"The Elixir Beasts!" Wen Qingxuan's pretty eyes narrowed as she recognized the stone beasts.

"Elixir Beasts?" Mu Chen was stunned, as he was somewhat unfamiliar with this term.

"They are a type of puppets. These creatures' powers don't come from spiritual energy, but from the Divine Elixir. Look at their eyes carefully, notice that they have all been transformed by the Divine Elixir!" Wen Qingxuan said.

After her explanation, Mu Chen finally understood. He looked over and realized that the stone beasts' eyes really had been transformed by those elixirs that were blinking in a spiritual light!

"Look at the one in the center!" Wen Qingxuan exclaimed.

Everyone immediately turned to look at the stone beast that was in the middle of the group. It looked like a dragon, and its body was extremely huge. Its two dragon eyes were flashing with a crystal-like glow, while releasing a strange and extraordinary fluctuation.

"This stone beast is powerful!" Mu Chen was surprised by the oppression that he sensed coming from this stone beast. According to his calculations, this beast's strength was equivalent to an authentic Complete Earthly Sovereign!

"The strength of the stone beast is based on the quality level of the Divine Elixir." Wen Qingxuan looked into the stone beast's eyes with a fire burning in her eyes.

She then smiled and said, "If I'm not mistaken, the very thing that is inside this dragon-like stone beasts' eyes is the thing that Wen Ziyu and Long Xiang have been searching for all this time!"

Wen Ziyu and Long Xiang narrowed their eyes immediately. The next moment, they exclaimed together, "His eyes are made of the Saint Spiritual Pills!"

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Chapter 1304: The Battle for the Elixirs

"Saint Spiritual Pills?" Mu Chen looked at the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast with eyes full of astonishment. Clearly, he had never expected that the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy would be so generous, such that she used the precious Saint Spiritual Pills as the eyes of the Elixir Beasts...

According to Mu Chen's estimation, the two Saint Spiritual Pills could probably fetch over 80,000,000 drops of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid if they were taken to the Great Thousand World for auction. By that time, who knew how many Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign powerhouses like Long Xiang and Wen Ziyu would be fighting for it insanely?

Wen Ziyu and Long Xiang stood to the side and glared at the beast with greed in their eyes. If not for the beast's Complete Earthly Sovereign strength, they might have just made their moves.

"Let Sister Ling Xi handle that Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast. We will take care of the remaining nine." Mu Chen chuckled when he saw the desperate looks on their faces.

Going head-on against these unintelligent, yet fearless puppet creatures was obviously an unwise method. Therefore, it would be easier to let Ling Xi deal with them.

"You really know how to give orders." Ling Xi rolled her eyes at Mu Chen, but she did not object. She moved in swift steps and flicked her finger. Instantly, an overarching spiritual seal swept out like shooting stars and merged into the space between heaven and earth.

Ling Xi was indeed an authentic Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master. As she was setting up her spiritual array, her actions flowed smoothly like a river. There was a bizarre beauty in it. Within a short while, the air in front of her began to twist and then gradually formed a gigantic spiritual array. The air in the spiritual array was abnormally sticky. The spiritual energy in the array had weight that made it seem as heavy as a mountain.

Once the spiritual array was set up, Ling Xi swung her dress, and a beam of spiritual energy shot directly at the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast.

Roar!

The Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast was under attack. Instantly, it let out an angry groan. Soon after, the beast, together with a violent windstorm, charged towards Ling Xi in an assault.

Boom!

Without any spiritual intelligence, the beast did not evade the spiritual array. Instead, it just barged in. Once the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast charged into the spiritual array, its speed was immediately reduced. The spiritual light fluctuation in the spiritual array created a swampy world within. As the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast struggled madly, the binding power increased and stacked up on the Elixir Beast's body. Soon, the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast was even slower than before. Judging from its look, it seemed to have fallen deeply into the swamp trap.

An ordinary human being with intelligence would have thought of ways to escape, but the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast could only expend even more daunting energy just to struggle. In the end, it could only sink itself deeper into the swamp.

"This array is named the 'Spiritual Swamp Array.' It specializes in dealing with those opponents who focus on muscle building with strong and tyrannical power. Once they land in the swamp, the binding force will only intensify as they struggle. At the same time, the array can absorb the spiritual energy from its prey. At the end of the day, the victims will deplete all their spiritual energy and wait to be seized without putting up a fight," Ling Xi smiled and explained to Mu Chen while looking at the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast that had been easily trapped.

"You're indeed an Ancestral Master!" Mu Chen, Luo Li, Wen Qingxuan, and the rest of them all sang her praises. If a Complete Earthly Sovereign were to battle it with physical strength, it would be a fierce battle against the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast, and one might not be able to win in the end. However, Ling Xi made apprehending the beast so easy. Although the latter did not have any intelligence, the capturing process was good enough to showcase the power possessed by the Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master...

"It's our turn." Mu Chen and the rest cast their gazes at the other nine Elixir Beasts. All these beasts possessed the strength of Upper Earthly Sovereigns, hence they were not threats to the group. After Ling Xi was done, the rest of them immediately struck.

Boom!

Violent spiritual energy swept out within the stone palace. Wave after wave of violent and daunting spiritual energy attacks struck out. However, the uproar did not last too long before the nine Elixir Beasts burst into pieces. Mu Chen swung his robe, and the spiritual energy swooped up all nine elixirs, which were rounded and full of spiritual energy, into his palm.

Even though these were not as precious as the Saint Spiritual Pills, they were extraordinary and had varying effects. If they could auction them in the Great Thousand World, each of them could be worth up to millions of drops of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid. Mu Chen and Wen Qingxuan were not keen on these elixirs to begin with. However, based on the previous rules they set, they would split the rewards evenly.

When Mu Chen and the rest had cleared up all the Elixir Beasts in the stone palace, there was some commotion on Ling Xi's side. The caged Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast was losing its spiritual glow, and it could not move an inch in the Spiritual Swamp Array.

Ling Xi tapped her slender finger in the air, and spiritual glow flickered on her fingertip. The next moment, the Spiritual Swamp Array suddenly gathered violent spiritual energy fluctuations. Changes began to take place in the spiritual array.

The Spiritual Swamp disappeared and transformed into a thunderous world in the blink of an eye. An overarching thunderbolt that was as huge as a serpent struck hard onto the Aquatic Dragon Elixir Beast's body. Within a short while, it let out a sorrowful cry and exploded.

Ling Xi clenched her fist. Two streamers shot out from the stone fragments, and the two precious Saint Spiritual Pills landed in her palm.

"Brava!" Mu Chen could not help but applaud. As an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master himself, he could naturally tell that Ling Xi had swapped out the Spiritual Swamp Array for another offensive spiritual array at an incredible speed. No hesitation or pause was made during the switch between the two spiritual arrays. The proficiency level of the Ancestral Master was displayed splendidly and perfectly.

Ling Xi smiled at Mu Chen for his support. She then flicked the two Saint Spiritual Pills towards Long Xiang and Wen Ziyu. They were the ones who needed the elixirs the most.

"Thank you, Lady Ling Xi!" Wen Ziyu was surprised to get the Saint Spiritual Pill. He cupped his fist at Ling Xi with gratitude.

"It's nothing." Ling Xi smiled.

"Find a chance to refine these pills after we've finished our business here," Wen Qingxuan reminded them. After all, dangers lurked in this place. If they refined the pills there, unforeseen circumstances might happen. Moreover, they did not have the time to wait for them to break through to the next level. Wen Ziyu and Long Xiang understood this and nodded. They suppressed their excitement and stowed the Saint Spiritual Pills with great care.

"Let's continue. I wonder how far Wu Tong and his men have progressed..." said Wen Qing Xuan, looking at Mu Chen and the rest.

"All right." They nodded. The most important thing for them now was to get into the deepest part of this cave, as the real treasure was there. No one dilly-dallied after the decision was made. They tidied up themselves slightly, beamed into lights, and flitted out of the stone palace.

They discovered a long corridor behind the stone palace. At the end of the corridor, another spacious stone palace appeared. The Elixir Beasts in the stone palace doubled.

From the looks of things, the road towards the deepest part of the cave was full of these stone palaces, and the group had to overcome all these obstacles before they could arrive at their final destination.

Upon seeing this type of roadblock, Mu Chen and the group felt that they were left with no choice. In the next moment, they braced themselves, swept out violent spiritual energy, and charged towards the Elixir Beasts.

At the very least, they could obtain a handful of valuable divine elixirs with various qualities after they defeated the Elixir Beasts. If they gathered enough of them, it would be a precious cultivation resource

for the Wen family and the Mu Estate. With that in mind, those Elixir Beasts in their way suddenly became cute.

For the next half day, Mu Chen and the group braved ten stone palaces in one shot. The number of Elixir Beasts surged quickly in every stone palace. When they were at the tenth stone palace, there were hundreds of Elixir Beasts in it. Among those, four of them had the strength of a Complete Earthly Sovereign.

Luckily, the group had Ling Xi, an Advanced Spiritual Array Ancestral Master, around. All these strong, yet unintelligent Elixir Beasts were just moving storage for the divine elixirs. Even so, when they finally cleaned up the tenth stone palace, Ling Xi was looking pale, as the consumption of her energy was huge.

Meanwhile, Mu Chen had gathered up all the elixirs. After their distribution, Mu Chen smiled in relief when he saw the hundreds of precious elixirs. All these divine elixirs were worth more than hundreds of millions of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid drops. If such grand funding could be provided to the Mu Estate, it would definitely increase their strength exponentially.

"Let's continue!" As everyone slowly recovered, Mu Chen licked his lips as greed filled his eyes. Hunger was written all over his face. After he realized the value of the divine elixirs, he wished that this type of stone palace could continue endlessly.

Obviously, the precious elixirs left by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy were all stored in these Elixir Beasts. In a way, these Elixir Beasts were also part of the treasures left in the Spiritual Butterfly Relic.

The rest of the people were also bewitched by those divine elixirs that were exuding pure spiritual energy. Even though they had gone through quite a number of fierce battles, they were still in a fighting spirit. The group stepped out of the current stone palace, ready for more Elixir Beasts.

However, this time, the expected corridor did not appear when they stepped out of the stone palace. Instead, a huge karst cave appeared before them. The karst cave was rather broad and filled with magnificent spiritual light like a starry sky. Stars were blinking with brightness up in the air.

However, upon closer inspection, they were not stars, but rather, divine pills. Once Mu Chen and the rest saw the karst cave, they realized that they had unwittingly reached the deepest part of the Spiritual Butterfly Relic.

Dong!

Just when they were feeling bemused, a stone door suddenly opened on the opposite side. A group of people rushed out...

The two teams were stunned to see each other, but soon after, sharp and fierce killing intent burst out from the eyes of the two teams.

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Chapter 1305: Showhand

Back in the huge karst cave, the two teams suddenly met each other face to face. Immediately, intense killing intent exploded in the karst cave, bringing down the temperature drastically. The hostile and harsh killing intent seemed to be howling in the karst cave like a violent wind.

"Hehe, enemies are fated to meet. I can't believe that you little rascals actually showed up in front of me!" Dong Shan stepped out before the other team. With a hideous expression on his face, he looked at Mu Chen, Wen Qingxuan, Luo Li and the rest.

"How dare you be so arrogant as to escape like a dog previously?" Wen Qingxuan sneered and mocked him, without showing any mercy.

"You!" Dong Shan glared at Wen Qingxuan.

But, Wen Qingxuan ignored his stare. Her cold eyes then looked at the man beside Dong Shan. The man had a head full of flaming hair.

"Wu Tong, the working style of the Wu's is despicable as usual. Earlier, you used all sorts of means just to get the information about the relic from our side. Now, you've even sold the details of our whereabouts to other people." Wen Qingxuan sneered.

The man with flaming hair smiled. "Nothing is too deceitful in times of war. Don't blame others for stealing, especially when you cannot safeguard the information. We're rivals now, after all, so isn't it natural to play some tricks on one another?"

He paused and looked at Mu Chen and the rest of the group. Then, with a mocking smile, he asked, "Besides, didn't you look for helpers too? Even though you'll soon find out that they are useless..."

"What a boastful attitude!" Long Xiang could not stand his belittlement of Mu Chen, so he glared at the man and wanted to continue, but Mu Chen stopped him.

Mu Chen then looked at the man, who was named Wu Tong. Violent spiritual energy surged from the man, and he was a exuding strong oppression that unsettled the surrounding air. Apparently, Wu Tong was an authentic Complete Earthly Sovereign.

The two opposing teams were Dong Shan's Demon Slayers and the men from the Wu family. It appeared that the other party had two Complete Earthly Sovereigns among them.

But, the one who was really worth mentioning was the Advanced Spiritual Array Ancestral Master, Ling Xi, who was on Mu Chen's team. Also, there were two half-step Complete Earthly Sovereigns, Wen Ziyu and Long Xiang.

The opposing party clearly had a much stronger lineup at first glance. Despite knowing this, Wen Qingxuan did not look fearful. This indicated that she must have some means of her own.

Wen Qingxuan's pretty face was cold, and she did not continue to bicker with Wu Tong. Instead, she cast her gaze towards the deepest part of the karst cave.

At the end of the cave, there was a stone table. An exquisite bronze furnace that looked like a spiritual butterfly was sitting on the table. Flames seemed to be burning within the furnace.

"Mu Chen, that furnace over there was left by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy. Her inheritance lies within it. If you can get that, you can inherit her various arts of refining elixirs," Wen Qingxuan said.

"Oh?" Mu Chen was slightly surprised as he looked at that bronze furnace, but he was not covetous of it. After all, he was not interested in alchemy, nor did he have the energy to practice it. "I want to obtain the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy's inheritance of refining elixirs," Wen Qingxuan said.

Mu Chen looked at Wen Qingxuan and asked, "Do you practice alchemy, too?"

"Hehe, Qingxuan is the best alchemist in the Wen family now. If she could obtain the inheritance of the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy, her proficiency level in the future might be on par with the Flame Emperor from the Endless Fire Territory!" Wen Ziyu spoke with pride.

Mu Chen was rather shocked. As Wen Qingxuan was not interested in alchemy in the earlier years, he had not expected that she would turn out to be such a proficient alchemist.

But, his shock did not last for long. After all, he also became a war troop dispatcher himself. Hence, it was not so unusual for Wen Qingxuan to have become an alchemist.

"If you have the need for it, the inheritance can be yours." Mu Chen nodded and smiled.

After all, no one on his side practiced alchemy. Therefore, he did not have much use for it.

Seeing that Mu Chen did not hesitate in giving up such a precious inheritance, Wen Qingxuan was somewhat moved. Wen Ziyu and the rest of the powerhouses from the Wen family looked at Mu Chen with gratitude in their eyes. After all, if it were other teams, they might have an internal argument because of the unjust distribution.

"Thank you." Wen Qingxuan thanked him softly, then said, "But, you will still not lose out, as you can take 80% of the elixirs, while we will only take 20%."

Previously, they had agreed on splitting up the resources equally. Now, Wen Qingxuan had decided to give up another 30% in order to make it up to Mu Chen.

Mu Chen nodded as he had no objection to this compromise. Also, he knew that Wen Qingxuan was very prideful, and if he rejected this offer, she might feel uneasy about it.

"Wen Qingxuan, aren't you being too impatient in dividing the treasures as such?" At this time, Wu Tong sneered. He looked at Wen Qingxuan with an ambiguous smile.

"Given the fact that you have an Ancestral Master and two half-step Complete Sovereigns, it would be lucky for you to leave this place alive. How dare you even lay your thoughts on those babes?" Dong Shan asked ferociously.

"Impatient or not, let's fight it out! Then, we'll find out!" Wen Qingxuan said coldly.

The next moment, she suddenly made a seal with both of her hands. As she changed her seal formation, a crimson spiritual glow exploded out from her petite body.

"Bloodline Super Power, Art of Bloodline Powering-up!" she yelled.

As the spiritual glow surged, Wen Qingxuan bit the tip of her tongue and spit out a mouthful of blood. The blood immediately merged with the brightness. Instantly, many bloody beams of light shot out, piercing through the necks of Wen Ziyu and the few powerhouses who were beside him.

Boom!

At this point, a radiant spiritual light exploded from Wen Ziyu's eyes. The spiritual energy fluctuation in his body was increasing. Within a short while, he broke through the barrier and hit the Complete Earthly Sovereign!

The rest of the powerhouses from the Wen family had an exponential surge in their spiritual energies. Although they did not hit the Complete Earthly Sovereign like Wen Ziyu did, their power had increased exponentially. Specifically, this skill of Wen Qingxuan had increased the strength of the Wen family by an entire level!

Not only did the opposing Wu Tong and Dong Shan have a slight change in their expressions, but Mu Chen, Ling Xi, and Luo Li were also shocked to see this. They stared at Wen Qingxuan in amazement, as they had never thought that the latter would be armed with such an impressive skill!

"The Bloodline Super Power?" Luo Li let out a sigh.

This kind of unique Super Power was said to have been created for the use of bloodlines. Although most of it was not combat efficient, it was very useful as a supplementary power.

But, the existence of this type of Super Power was somewhat rare, as it was only effective for clan members who shared the same bloodline. Hence, this type of Super Power was considered extremely rare in the Great Thousand World as well.

"No wonder Wen Qingxuan enjoyed such a high position in the Wen family! Even Wen Ziyu had to listen to her when she was just a Lower Earthly Sovereign." Mu Chen finally understood everything now.

He also understood why Wen Qingxuan was not fearful of Wu Tong and the rest. With this powering-up skill, she could easily increase the power of the team by an entire level. If that was the case, Wen Ziyu had the strength to go against the Complete Earthly Sovereign now!

After displaying the Bloodline Super Power, Wen Qingxuan's pretty face turned pale. Apparently, this type of Super Power would cause her some damages as well.

"No wonder the elders in our clan said that, as long as the Wen family has Wen Qingxuan, she can bring raise the reputation of the Wen family in the Great Thousand World. You actually have the Bloodline Super Power with you..." Wu Tong's eyes darkened completely at this time.

There was also an intense killing intent In his eyes. Wen Qingxuan's Bloodline Super Power might not benefit her, but she could increase the entire team's combat capability with it. This would be the ultimate trump card to achieve the final victory in a large-scale battle.

"But, unfortunately, I'm afraid that this phoenix of the Wen family might have to perish in this relic!" As soon as Wu Tong finished talking, the two grey-robed figures stepped out suddenly.

The robes on their bodies were torn into pieces and ancient symbols were all over their bodies. Each symbol cut deeply into their flesh and blood, like chains had been locked onto them.

Their bloodshot eyes showed no emotions at all. Like wild beasts, they let out low groans from their throats. At the same time, the symbols on their bodies gave off bloody-red glows.

Their bodies were ballooning at a visible speed. Within a few breaths, they stood tall and firm within the enormous karst cave.

Then, like a windstorm, the fearsome spiritual energy fluctuation exploded out from their bodies. That type of spiritual energy fluctuation was also at the Complete Earthly Sovereign level!

"For this relic, I brought the top-notch warriors out. Although they might be useless after this battle, even that sacrifice is worth it as long as I get this relic." Wu Tong stared at Wen Qingxuan with his head tilted.

He then gave a ghastly smile and said, "Besides, the daughter from the Wen family will perish with them!"

Hearing this, Wen Qingxuan and Wen Ziyu changed their expressions. Their opponents were indeed formidable.

In that case, that meant that the opposing team would have four Complete Earthly Sovereigns! It seemed like the Wu family was ready to make a huge sacrifice for this relic.

"If the situation turns bad, just leave." Wen Qingxuan took a deep breath and instructed Mu Chen and Luo Li. After all, the inheritance might be precious, but it was more important that they stay alive.

Mu Chen smiled when he heard this. He stared at the two Wu warriors who were exploding with fearsome fluctuations. He then put his palms together slowly and cracked his fingers.

The next thing he said shocked Wen Qingxuan, Wen Ziyu, and the rest of the people...

"I will take care of those two Wu warriors. Qingxuan, you focus on taking the inheritance."

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Chapter 1306: The Battle in the Karst Cave

"Leave it to you?" When Mu Chen said that, Wen Qingxuan, Wen Ziyu, and the rest looked at him with some doubt. Mu Chen had not displayed much of his skill throughout the journey, so they had not expected him to volunteer to intercept the two Complete Earthly Sovereigns from the opposing team. After all, Mu Chen was only an Upper Earthly Sovereign!

"Can you do it?" Wen Qingxuan could not help but ask. Her intuition told her that Mu Chen had been hiding his true capabilities, however, she thought Mu Chen could probably go up against one Complete Earthly Sovereign but not two.

"Never ask a man that question," said Mu Chen while throwing a grin at Wen Qingxuan.

Wen Qingxuan was stunned, and then her pretty face turned red. She stared at Mu Chen with an irked expression and scolded, "Do you want to die?!"

Mu Chen laughed. After the atmosphere had eased up, he looked at Ling Xi and said, "Sister Ling Xi, I'll leave that Wu Tong to you first. You just need to stall him."

Wu Tong was a strong opponent, and apparently, he could be even more powerful than the usual Complete Earthly Sovereign. Even if Ling Xi were to fight with him, she might not win. However, given the profound ability of the Spiritual Array Master, it should not be difficult to stall him.

"Sure." Ling Xi nodded. She drew her hands out from her long sleeves. Spiritual light flickered non-stop as she formed countless Spiritual Seals.

"Leave that Dong Shan to me!" said Wen Ziyu. Previously, he was not a match for Dong Shan because he was only a Half Step to Complete Earthly Sovereign. With the powering-up from Wen Qingxuan, he was not any weaker than a Complete Earthly Sovereign now.

Mu Chen said, "Luo Li, you lead the rest of the powerhouses from the Wen family and stop everyone else."

Luo Li nodded. Apart from Wu Tong, Dong Shan, and the other two Wu warriors, the two teams from the opposite side only had Upper Earthly Sovereigns. Blocking them would not be difficult, given their abilities.

"Go, now!" After assigning their individual opponents, Mu Chen did not hesitate. His smiling eyes instantly sharpened. The next moment, he tapped his feet and beamed into a flash of light.

Mu Chen struck in the air with a palm. The powerful spiritual energy enveloped the two Wu warriors with red eyes.

"You ignorant fellow, how dare you challenge Wu's two top-notch warriors alone?" Wu Tong was slightly stunned at first, but a mocking smile slowly surfaced on his cold face.

The two Wu warriors were emotionless. They were only left with their killing instinct. Once they entered battle mode, they would not stop killing until their enemies were torn apart.

Even a strong Complete Earthly Sovereign would be in a terrible fix when facing this type of killing machine, but Mu Chen, who was only an Upper Earthly Sovereign, attempted to challenge two of them at once. To Wu Tong, this was as good as courting his own death.

Dong Shan shook his head in disappointment. He wanted to apprehend Mu Chen so that he could torture him to death, but now, he might not even leave with a corpse.

Roar!

When Mu Chen's spiritual energy enveloped the two Wu's warriors, they immediately reacted to it. They let out a roar from their throats filled with killing intent. Harsh and fearsome spiritual energy fluctuations exploded frantically.

Boom!

The two mini giants charged like two raging beasts. They threw themselves fearlessly directly at Mu Chen. If any of the strong Complete Earthly Sovereigns were hit by such an intense assault, they would spit out a mouthful of blood and retreat.

Seeing that the two Wu warriors were rushing aggressively towards him, Mu Chen stopped his forward move abruptly and quickly retreated backwards. Apparently, he wanted to avoid taking a direct hit.

Roar!

The two Wu warriors immediately followed up. As they battered with their fists, the bloody spiritual energy seemed to turn into a tangible force. With an intense amount of killing intent, they struck forcefully at Mu Chen. Under their immense attacks, Mu Chen could only dodge and avoid them.

Wu Tong, Dong Shan, and the rest of them sneered even more. At first, they thought Mu Chen had some capability, and that was why he dared to challenge the two Wu warriors. But judging from the current situation, it would not take too long before he was crushed into pulp.

"Settle them." Wu Tong raised his palm and dropped it gently. He looked coldly at Wen Qingxuan and the rest.

Boom!

The various powerhouses from the two teams behind him exploded with strong spiritual energy. The next moment, many figures charged towards Wen Qingxuan and the rest of her teammates.

"Can Mu Chen handle them?" Wen Qingxuan asked again, as she was a little worried seeing Mu Chen losing ground.

"Don't worry. He is not someone who brags." Luo Li consoled her with a smile. She then gave a nod to the many powerhouses from the Wen family. Immediately, those figures charged and blocked the incoming attacks from the opposing team.

"I hope nothing will happen to Brother Mu." Wen Ziyu sighed, as they could not help Mu Chen now, even if they wanted to. Consequently, he quickly focused his attention. Wen Ziyu flashed and blocked Dong Shan's way by showing up in front of him.

"Heh, you? Do you think you can stop me?!" Dong Shan could not help but give a nasty grin when he looked at Wen Ziyu. He exuded intense killing desire that froze the surrounding air into ice.

During his years of wandering in the Holy Gulf Continent, Dong Shan had gone through countless deathmatches. He had rich experience in combat. The usual powerhouses would not dare to take him on, as they were taken aback by his fearsome demeanor.

However, Wen Ziyu was the supreme talent from the Wen family, after all. With a solemn look, he circulated the spiritual energy in his body without any reservation. He held out his hand, and a long, black sword appeared in his grip. Countless ancient light runes surfaced on the sword, emitting an extremely fierce aura.

The longsword was a High Grade Sacred Object. With the sword in his hand, Wen Ziyu gradually calmed himself down. His gaze was as sharp as a knife as he locked onto Dong Shan.

"Hmph!" Dong Shan narrowed his eyes slightly and gave a cold snort. The High Grade Sacred Object was not a common thing. He had never had a chance to own one, even though he had been working hard for so many years. These fellows with a good family background sure pissed him off.

Dong Shan stretched out his hand and made a grab in the air. A blood-red saber appeared in his hand. The saber exuded a similar killing intent and bloody aura. This saber was also a sacred object, but it was only a Middle Grade Sacred Object.

Shua!

Dong Shan held the saber. The next moment, he forcefully wielded the saber with an endless killing aura against Wen Ziyu. Wen Ziyu immediately raised his sword and blocked the attack. A storm-like Spiritual Energy shockwave rippled out.

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"You're my opponent?" Battles had begun in the enormous karst cave. Wu Tong looked at Ling Xi and grinned. "What a beauty. How much did the Wen family pay you to help her? I can double it."

Ling Xi only smiled at his mocking remarks. "Then tempt me with an attractive price, will you?"

Wu Tong chuckled, but the next moment, his eyes immediately turned cold. He charged like a flash of lightning. He swung his fist, and violent spiritual energy immediately transformed into a vast spiritual energy fist. The ultimate fierce fist struck forcefully at Ling Xi.

"Do you think I'm dumb, letting an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master buy time?" Wu Tong was rather smart. He had seen through Ling Xi's intentions. After all, a Spiritual Array Master would need time to prepare a robust spiritual array when they engaged in battle.

As the massive fist swept out, Ling Xi was rather composed. She flicked her finger gently, and the space in front of her began to twist. A spiritual array rose from the ground and transformed into a Spiritual Energy River. The river collided with the Spiritual Energy Fist.

Bang!

A loud thud was heard. The river was smashed into pieces, but the fragments of the river water covered the Spiritual Energy Fist like a sticky liquid. The liquid quickly eroded the fist into a stream of water.

"Nine Dragon Aquatic Spiritual Array!" The Spiritual Energy River gushed out, and Ling Xi changed her seal at once. The river rose in level, and the spiritual seals blinked in the air drawing out a profound array.

Roar!

A dragon's roar could be heard as nine huge Aquatic Dragons charged towards Wu Tong, ready to sink their teeth into him.

"Hmph!" Wu Tong snorted. He put both palms together, then pushed forward at once. "Grand Super Power, Martial Divine Palm!"

Weng!

Nine golden palms swept out and gently slapped the nine Aquatic Dragons. Daunting energy spurted out, and the dragons dissolved into mist in the air. "How dare you show off in front of me with only this level of spiritual array?" Wu Tong sneered.

"Oh really?" Ling Xi smiled. She began to make even more complicated seals with her slender fingers. Before Wu Tong knew it, the Aquatic Dragons he had smashed turned into countless Spiritual Seals. The vast amount of spiritual seals merged into the air and formed a huge Black Liquid Spiritual Array. The spiritual array looked like a water dungeon. The dungeon encompassed the area, with Wu Tong trapped in the center. "Advance Ancestral Master's Spiritual Array, Black Liquid Dungeon Spiritual Array!"

Boom!

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Despite Mu Chen's constant dodging and evasion, a Wu warrior finally got close to him. The harsh and fearsome fist transformed into a steamer, bashing hard towards Mu Chen's head.

Crystal-like radiance surged in Mu Chen's eyes, and a pagoda surfaced from it. The spiritual energy exploded from his body without any reservation.

Bang!

He swung out a fist and collided hard with the Wu warrior's fist. Space burst, and the Wu warrior staggered back a few steps while Mu Chen took a dozen steps back. His fist was slightly reddened.

Boom!

Space twisted behind him, and the other Wu warrior suddenly flashed out. The ultimate fearsome wind blast from the fist struck at Mu Chen once again, but this time, he did not dodge. A cold smile appeared at the corner of his lips. He stretched out his palm and pointed at the Wu warrior behind him. He then made a seal with his fingers.

Boom!

Scarlet light suddenly exploded from the space in front of him. Countless spiritual seals twinkled in it. Overarching scarlet light formed a sea of fire, and the temperature in the cave rose crazily. The Wu warrior loomed within that scarlet space. Mu Chen lifted his eyes and took a look at the Wu warrior, who was exploding with fearsome fluctuations. With a soft voice, he said, "Blazing Fire Array!"

Bang!

The scarlet area before him turned into a magma zone. A sizeable scarlet figure slowly rose from the magma as if the volcano had just given birth to an ultimate ferocious beast.

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Chapter 1307: Jumping into the Furnace

Weng!

A violent and flaming spiritual energy filled the scarlet magma zone, while a gigantic red figure rose up from within it. The figure was enormous, and it breathed out hot waves of air. The entire space was twisted by the scorching heat.

That gigantic figure was the Spiritual Clone that had been gathered from the Blazing Fire Array. It had been transformed by the pure spiritual energy of the universe, and its mightiness was unpredictable. It could stand even stand against a Complete Earthly Sovereign!

As the heatwave swept out, the temperature in the karst cave was also increasing. Mu Chen's action immediately drew the attention of the rest of the people here. When they saw the Blazing Fire Array, their expressions could not help but change.

"It's an Advance Ancestral Master's Spiritual Array!" Wen Qingxuan opened her eyes wide and looked at Mu Chen doubtfully. She couldn't believe that this fellow was actually an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master!

It was no wonder that he was confident enough to intercept the two top Wu warriors. He actually had quite a trump card!

"This fellow!" Wen Qingxuan bit her red lips gently and her eyes had a complicated look in them.

During the battle of the Five Great Academies in the earlier years, Mu Chen was strong, but he was not any stronger than her. A few years later, when they met each other again, Wen Qingxuan was shocked by his Upper Earthly Sovereign's strength. However, it was still within her expectation.

But, she had never expected that his strength of Upper Earthly Sovereign was only on the surface, and that the power that Mu Chen displayed might just be the tip of the iceberg! Hence, despite Wen Qingxuan's being somewhat prideful, she was a little dejected after seeing the drastic improvements in Mu Chen. This fellow was too crazy!

Wu Tong, who was trapped in the Black Liquid Dungeon that was created by Ling Xi, also narrowed his eyes and looked in Mu Chen's direction. When he saw the Blazing Fire Array, his eyebrows furrowed. Apparently, Mu Chen had displayed a hand that was beyond his expectation.

"This fellow has some means of his own, but even though you are an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master, you can never beat the two superior Wu warriors from my Wu family!" A dark and cold expression flashed across his face as he spoke.

Apparently, it was impossible for Mu Chen to settle the two Wu warriors, both of whom had the strengths of Complete Earthly Sovereigns, with just an Advance Ancestral Master's Spiritual Array. Besides, only one Wu warrior was trapped inside it now.

The other Wu warrior would put up an intensive offense from now on, and Mu Chen would lose control of the Ancestral Master's Spiritual Array. Once no one was managing the spiritual array, its mightiness would decrease drastically.

Then, the Wu warrior would be able to break through quickly! By that time, Mu Chen would be under the attack of the two Wu warriors once again.

"Well, this spiritual array is the troublesome one." Wu Tong focused on himself once again.

He looked at the Black Liquid Dungeon Spiritual Array that was above his head. Although this spiritual array did not have a strong offense, it was adequate to imprison him. Thus, the various means that he displayed could not break the array at all. This woman seemed to only want to stall him!

Radiance slightly flickered in Wu Tong's eyes. As he glanced at the flaming furnace in the karst cave again, doubt just flashed across his eyes.

Boom!

The large blazing figure took shape and immediately fired off a fearsome offense at the Wu warrior who was trapped in the spiritual array. As the massive fist shot out, violent and flaming fire waves blasted at the Wu warrior.

Dong!

The emotionless Wu warrior received the blow with a powerful stance. The two of them then engaged in a twisted fight, the fierce impact of which shocked the entire karst cave violently.

While the fierce battle was raging in the spiritual array, another Wu warrior charged at Mu Chen. A fearsome spiritual energy gathered on the warrior's fist, giving every one of his punches the power to shatter the Earth!

The Holy Pagoda emitted a brightness from the pupils of Mu Chen. He then turned all of his spiritual energy into Crystal Spiritual Energy. As he fired off a punch, many crystal-like runes appeared on his arm.

Dong! Dong!

The two figures blasted fiercely at each other, while the space vibrated. The situation became incredibly intense!

Just like what Wu Tong had expected, when Mu Chen was engaged in the fight, the Blazing Fire Array was losing its spiritual glow. The giant blazing figure was also losing his ground against the Wu warrior.

However, soon after this situation began, Mu Chen gave a faint smile. He then made a seal with one hand, while the space behind him started to fluctuate.

At that moment, a white-robed Mu Chen suddenly appeared and sat within the Blazing Fire Array. He sat with his leg-crossed and began to control the spiritual array.

As the white-robed Mu Chen entered the array, the Blazing Fire Array immediately exploded with a bright scarlet glow. The gigantic blazing figure let out a roar towards the sky. Instantly, the situation changed, and that Wu warrior was completely on the losing end of the fight!

Once the spiritual array was stabilized on the other side, Mu Chen focused his attention on the Wu warrior who was in front of him. In the previous collision, he had already noticed that he was able to go up against a Complete Earthly Sovereign with the powering up of the Holy Pagoda. But, obviously, he was still on the losing end.

After all, the difference in the level of strength between the Upper Earthly Sovereign and the Completely Earthly Sovereign was significantly huge. If a normal Upper Earthly Sovereign met a Complete Earthly Sovereign, he would risk losing his life within ten blows.

But, it was already not easy for Mu Chen to go against the Wu warrior who was a Complete Earthly Sovereign up to this extent. Besides, this was all done without his Sovereign Celestial Body.

"If one is not enough, then I will have two," Mu Chen muttered as he smiled.

He looked at the Wu warrior, who was ready to charge forward at him again. His body shook, and a black-robed Mu Chen appeared at his side. The two of them fired off their punches together, and the violent spiritual energy formed a windstorm before them.

Bang!

Their fists collided hard with the Wu warrior. This time, Mu Chen no longer staggered back. Instead, the Wu warrior was blasted off of the ground.

Dong Shan, who was having a fierce fight with Wen Ziyu in the distance, stole a glance at that scene. He could not help but darken his expression, as he was rather horrified to see three identical Mu Chens! He did not understand where Mu Chen had gotten all of these clones from.

"Hmph! You should take care of yourself first!" But, when Dong Shan lost his concentration for a moment, a sneer was heard. The next moment, a cold radiance from a sword came piercing through the air. At the speed of lightning, the sword brushed against Dong Shan's chest, causing a trace of blood stain to surface.

"Lad, you're courting your own death!" Dong Shan's face suddenly became hideous, as he had been wounded due to his own carelessness.

He held his saber, his killing intent surging even more. Immediately, he wielded his saber, the radiance from it looming over Wen Ziyu in all directions.

Violent spiritual energy crazily swept out within the enormous karst cave. If this karst cave had not been left by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy, it might have been reduced into ashes amid such a fierce battle!

"Qingxuan, get the inheritance now!" When Mu Chen had contained the two Wu warriors contained, he quickly sent a message to Wen Qingxuan.

She nodded her head, and without any hesitation, she withdrew from the battle and turned into a streamer. She then headed towards the furnace, which was deep in the karst cave. Wen Qingxuan knew that Mu Chen and the rest were buying her time, so she knew that she needed to make full use of every moment.

Dong Shan and the rest were anxious when they saw her actions. They wanted to intercept her, but they were currently tied down.

Wen Qingxuan quickly appeared before the furnace, which had the shape of a Spiritual Butterfly. A blazing flame was burning within the furnace. Even though she did not feel the heat that was coming from it, the fire still sent chills down her spine.

This furnace had been left by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy, and it had been burning for more than a thousand decades. Even a Complete Earthly Sovereign would be reduced to ashes on contact if he was not careful!

As Wen Qingxuan stared at the furnace, she took a deep breath. According to her source, the inheritance of the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy was within the Spiritual Butterfly Furnace. Thus, one must jump into the furnace before one could obtain the inheritance.

However, this was a perilous thing to do! This was because a death aura exuded from the furnace. As such, a Complete Earthly Sovereign would be reduced into ashes by it, let alone a Lower Earthly Sovereign like her!

Wen Qingxuan bit her red lips and clenched her hands tight. Hesitation flashed across her eyes, but she quickly suppressed it. Soon, a look of intense determination surged on her pretty face.

To obtain the inheritance, one must naturally pay a price. If she did not dare to take up this challenge, she could never be fit for the inheritance of the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy!

Wen Qingxuan tapped her feet and darted out, immediately beaming into a flash of light and jumping into the burning furnace, while everyone watched in shock. Although Mu Chen had guessed that this might be the only way to obtain the inheritance, he was still worried for Wen Qingxuan's safety.

Any mistakes she made, she might be reduced into ashes by the flame in the furnace! The only thing he could do now was to pray that the choice that Wen Qingxuan made was the correct one.

At the same time, Wu Tong, who was still trapped within the Black Liquid Dungeon, suddenly stood up. As he looked at Wen Qingxuan, an eerie expectation flashed in his eyes.

"Wen Qingxuan, don't disappoint me," he muttered.

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Chapter 1308: Mystery Dragon Army

Blaze!

The moment Wen Qingxuan jumped into the furnace, the blazing fire burned even more fiercely. The flame was light green in color, giving off a gentle touch. However, everyone there knew that the soft look of it was deceiving. The flame used by the Heavenly Sovereign for refining pills could instantly reduce a Complete Earthly Sovereign to ashes.

Wen Ziyu and the rest of the powerhouses watched the furnace anxiously. Cold sweat drenched their backs. If Wen Qingxuan failed, it would be an outcome difficult to swallow. If she failed, she would be reduced to ashes.

Dong Shan and the rest of the people focused on the furnace. The moment she succeeded in getting the inheritance, they would go all out to snatch it.

All of a sudden, the fierce battles in the karst cave eased up, except for Mu Chen's. The two Wu warriors had no consciences. Hence, they only knew how to kill and could not be bothered about the inheritance. All they wanted to do was shred Mu Chen into pieces. However, regardless of how they launched their assaults, Mu Chen could still suppress them, especially the one trapped in the Blazing Fire Array. That Wu warrior had even lost one of his arms.

Apparently, the entire situation was under Mu Chen's control. It was only a matter of time before the two Wu warriors would be utterly defeated.

Boom!

Just when Mu Chen had the two Wu warriors under control, an uproar suddenly broke out within the deepest area of the karst cave. The blazing fire in the furnace let out a soft groan.

Boohoo!

In the next moment, the light green flame swept out from the furnace. A beam of fire gathered above the furnace almost immediately. A figure slowly surfaced from the fire. When Wen Ziyu and the rest saw

the familiar figure, they could not hide the thrill on their faces, as that figure belonged to Wen Qingxuan.

Her eyes were half-closed. Green sparks covered her curvaceous and petite body. The sparks seemed to have some spiritual sense. As they ignited themselves on her body, they transformed into patches of green grass protecting her like light armor. Her long eyelashes quivered slightly, and her eyes opened. Green flames danced within her eyes, giving her an extra bewitching factor in her appearance.

She was a little confused as she looked at the flames on her body. But soon after, a surprised and delighted look surged in her eyes as she felt that a complete inheritance had surfaced in her mind.

Even the peculiar green flames existed in her body now. Apparently, when she made the decision to jump into the furnace, she was not burned into ashes. Instead, she obtained the inheritance left behind by the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy.

Most of the heritance consisted of the notes and secrets of refining elixirs. It might not be useful to others, but to Wen Qingxuan, who was also studying alchemy, this was a precious treasure.

It was just like how Mu Chen's mother had left him all her thoughts and notes about spiritual arrays, and Mu Chen then became an Advance Spiritual Array Ancestral Master. It would be extremely useful in the future when he wanted to break through to the Heavenly Sovereign level.

With the help of this inheritance, Wen Qingxuan would definitely be one of the well-known Alchemy Ancestral Masters in the Great Thousand World. This was the best news for the Wen family. After all, alchemist had always been one of the most popular occupations in the Great Thousand World.

"The information was indeed accurate." Wen Qingxuan was incredibly delighted. However, she knew that obtaining this inheritance required a significant amount of courage and decisiveness. After all, not everyone had the courage to jump into the furnace. Any mistakes made would turn anyone into ashes. Between life and the inheritance, most of the people would choose the former. After all, no amount of inheritance was worth the price of a life.

"D*mn it!" When Wen Qingxuan got the inheritance, Dong Shan and the rest of the people's expressions darkened. If Wen Qingxuan had obtained the Spiritual Butterfly Relic Inheritance, then they had worked for nothing.

"Hehe, did she succeed?" When Wu Tong saw this from the Black Liquid Dungeon, radiance flickered in his eyes. He then let out a burst of ghastly laughter. He raised two of his fingers, and a black amulet appeared in his hand. Profound runes seemed to be engraved on the amulet. A bizarre fluctuation was quietly exuded. He lifted his head and looked at Ling Xi. With a smile, the black amulet burned in his hand.

Ling Xi had been watching Wu Tong's movements. When the black amulet appeared in his hand, she knew something was amiss; hence, she circulated the spiritual array without any hesitation.

Voila!

The endless black liquid started falling on him with daunting energy. Many large black dragons rushed and roared at Wu Tong. No matter what that fellow wanted to do, Ling Xi had to stop it.

"You've got quick reactions, but too bad, whatever you do now is futile." Wu Tong smiled at Ling Xi's efforts at interception. The burning black amulet in his hand had already transformed into thick, dense smoke that shielded him while helping him to escape. The black smoke loomed, and Wu Tong suddenly disappeared from his original location.

Mu Chen, who was still fighting with the two Wu warriors, yelled suddenly, "Qingxuan, be careful!"

Shua!

A ghostly black smoke appeared before Wen Qingxuan. It grabbed her wrist and pulled her up into the air. It then threw her forcefully onto the furnace.

Dang!

Wen Qingxuan crashed onto the furnace, and a crisp, clear sound was heard. But because Wen Qingxuan had just gotten the inheritance, the flame on the furnace did not burn her into ashes.

Sstz.

Even so, the impact caused her to spit out a mouthful of blood. The Spiritual Butterfly Furnace was knocked over and flew out immediately, too.

However, after Wen Qingxuan was thrown off onto the ground, Wu Tong, surprisingly, did not make any killing move. Instead, he stopped moving and stared with a fire burning in his eyes at the spot where the furnace had previously sat.

The furnace had initially been placed on a stone platform. When Wen Qingxuan knocked over the furnace, a spiritual array was revealed on the ground where the furnace had been set. Wu Tong stared at that spiritual array with passionate eyes. He tossed the amulet on that spiritual array.

Weng!

The spiritual array suddenly gave off bright spiritual lights. Within the lights, space was twisted as if it was leading to another place. The sudden change was beyond everyone's expectations. No one had expected that a bizarre setup was hidden under the furnace.

"Wen Qingxuan, do you think that the Wu family was really eyeing the Spiritual Butterfly Relic?" Wu Tong turned around and grinned at Wen Qingxuan.

"The information that the Wen family got was only about the Spiritual Butterfly Relic. But none of you knew that the Mystery Dragon War Emperor, the husband of Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy, left his inheritance hidden within the Spiritual Butterfly Relic!"

"Mystery Dragon War Emperor?!" Wen Qingxuan was shocked. She was unaware of this information, but she knew about the Mystery Dragon War Emperor. As the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy's husband, he was also one of the renowned Heavenly Sovereigns in the ancient times. The most formidable thing about the Mystery Dragon War Emperor was not his Heavenly Sovereign strength. It was his other identity, War Troop Dispatcher!

He created a formidable troop named, "The Mystery Dragon Army." Each soldier in the army was infused with Dragon Blood, and they were known as the Dragon Warriors. The Mystery Dragon Army in

its prime even made the Mystery Dragon War Emperor into one of the cream of the crop among the God Grade Heavenly Sovereigns.

But after the Mystery Dragon War Emperor and the Spiritual Butterfly Pill Fairy perished in the Ancient Holy Gulf in that grand war, there was no news about the army. It was as though the famous Mystery Dragon Army had suddenly disappeared into thin air.

"The Wu's are eyeing that Mystery Dragon War Emperor?!" Wen Qingxuan suddenly understood everything. The Wu family must have gotten this information from some unknown sources, and they put everything on the line just to be there.

Wu Tong shrugged and laughed. "According to our information, the Mystery Dragon Army suffered some damage, but most of the soldiers were infused with Dragon Blood. During the critical moment, the Mystery Dragon War Emperor converted most of the Mystery Dragon soldiers into Undying Dragon Warriors. He put them into a sleep, so this troop was quite well-preserved. If this troop is owned by the Wu family, I believe we will be able to control them in no time. Then it will be a piece of cake to exterminate the Wen family.

"However, the Space of the Mystery Dragon left by the Mystery Dragon War Emperor was under the protection of the Spiritual Butterfly Furnace. The flame in the furnace could reduce even a Complete Earthly Sovereign to ashes with just a single touch. Only the one who receives the Spiritual Butterfly Inheritance is immune to this flame..."

When Wu Tong finally finished his words, he looked at Wen Qingxuan with a smile. "So, if it had not been for you being brave, I would still be troubled about how to get the inheritance. After all, gambling with my life does not quite befit my status..."

Wen Qingxun's pretty face instantly paled. Wu Tong had been waiting for her to obtain the inheritance successfully so that she could become the key to opening the Space of the Mystery Dragon. If the formidable Mystery Dragon Army fell into the Wu family's hands, it would be a lethal blow to the Wen's.

They had to stop Wu Tong!

As if he knew Wen Qingxuan's thoughts, Wu Tong shook his head and laughed. "Trying to stop me? I talked so much crap with you just because I did not want you guys to stop the space from stabilizing itself..." He looked at the space that was slowly taking shape. Then, he tilted his head and smiled at Mu Chen, Wen Qingxuan, Luo Li, and the rest. Cold killing intent surged in his smile.

"You guys can wait for me to come after you with the Mystery Dragon Army. I hope by that time, you will have the courage to stand before me... By the way, a gentle reminder that only a War Troop Dispatcher can enter the Space of the Mystery Dragon. So, you can stop trying so hard for it... And just so you know, I have another identity which is just nice – War Troop Dispatcher."

Wu Tong looked at them with pity. Without any hesitation, he took a deep breath and was about to enter the space in front of him. However, at that moment, slightly shocking laughter suddenly echoed within the karst cave.

"War Troop Dispatcher? What a coincidence! I'm one, too!"

All of them looked up. Mu Chen, who was blocked by the Wu warriors, charged out and headed straight towards that space. At the same time, a unique fluctuation was exuded from his body – the fighting spirit that only a War Troop Dispatcher possessed!

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Chapter 1309: Space of Mystery Dragon

As fighting spirit arose in Mu Chen, his figure darted towards the stabilized space like lighting. The previous change was equally shocking to Mu Chen, as he did not think that the Mystery Dragon War Emperor would be hidden in the Spiritual Butterfly Relic.

What shocked him most was the Mystery Dragon Army that Wu Tong had mentioned. That formidable army could even go up against the God Grade Heavenly Sovereign! To make an army troop of such an impressive level and scale, it would require a long time and a vast amount of resources, even for a supreme power.

Hence, even though Mu Chen was a War Troop Dispatcher himself, he had never thought of making a troop himself. This was because the resources, time, and effort that it would require were not something that he could afford.

Besides, Wu Tong had mentioned that the Mystery Dragon Troop was in good condition. Most importantly, the troop was not made up of war puppets, but were soldiers with impressive vitality.

It was only that the entire army was put into a deep sleep by the Mystery Dragon War Emperor. If he could revive them, they could regain their fame as the Mystery Dragon Army of the ancient times!

Everyone on the spot, apart from Wu Tong, might not appreciate the value of this. However, as Mu Chen was also a War Troop Dispatcher, he certainly did.

Hence, after Wu Tong finished speaking, Mu Chen darted out immediately. He wanted to enter the Space of Mystery Dragon before Wu Tong did.

No one had time to react to Mu Chen's sudden action, not even Wu Tong. In fact, Wu Tong was stunned! However, when he felt the intense fighting spirit from Mu Chen moments later, his face could not help but twist into a grotesque facial expression.

Never would he have thought that his speech would have created such an unforeseen circumstance! He was already sure that there was no other War Troop Dispatcher besides him on the spot.

Otherwise, he would surely have detected some kind of fighting spirit fluctuation during the battles! No matter how much disbelief he had in his heart, this fact was right in front of him.

As he watched Mu Chen, Wu Tong had the sudden urge to slap himself. Previously he had been too arrogant, so he had exposed all of these secrets! But, he had needed some impactful information in order to distract everyone's attention, so that they would not break the stabilizing passageway! He just wasn't expecting that his words would bring trouble upon himself!

Wu Tong's eyes turned red almost immediately. He looked extremely hideous.

Even though Wu Tong looked at Mu Chen with a pair of horrifying eyes, he did not stop him. Instead, he stepped into the Space of Mystery Dragon ahead of Mu Chen.

The most important thing to do now was to retrieve the Mystery Dragon Army. If he allowed himself to be distracted by Mu Chen at this time, he was afraid that even more changes would occur.

Shua!

The Space of Mystery Dragon slightly fluctuated as Wu Tong disappeared at the end of the passageway. The next moment, Mu Chen showed up outside the passageway. Without any hesitation, he dove into it.

The two of them disappeared into the Space of the Mystery Dragon, one after another. As the two of them disappeared, silence fell upon the karst cave.

Both teams were observing the situation with doubtful expressions on their faces. They looked at each other, not knowing what to do.

"Mu Chen entered the Space? But Wu Tong would not let him off so easily..." Wen Qingxuan stood up immediately and looked at Luo Li and Ling Xi, worry written all over her face.

She then asked, "Why is Mu Chen a War Troop Dispatcher too? Can he really defeat Wu Tong?"

Mu Chen had clearly entered the Space of Mystery Dragon for the Mystery Dragon Army, but Wu Tong would not allow him to do so. As such, both of them would definitely have an extremely fierce battle inside of it!

Moreover, Wu Tong was somewhat stronger than the usual Complete Earthly Sovereign. Plus, as he had a handful of trump cards, he was definitely not someone who would be easy to deal with.

Ling Xi slightly frowned her brows, while Luo Li remained quite calm. She stared at the Space of Mystery Dragon and said softly, "Mu Chen is not someone who would be blinded by greed. Hence, he must have some confidence in a favorable outcome if he decided to do this."

Although Wu Tong might be strong, Mu Chen was not someone who was easy to deal with. When he was a Lower Earthly Sovereign, he could even beat Upper Earthly Sovereigns! Now that he was an Upper Earthly Sovereign, Luo Li was sure that Mu Chen could still win against those formidable Complete Earthly Sovereigns.

Upon seeing the composed Luo Li, Wen Qingxuan and the rest slightly relaxed. Now, they could only pray for Mu Chen.

They hoped that Mu Chen could gain control of the Mystery Dragon Army. Otherwise, it would mean calamity for them if the army fell into the hands of Wu Tong.

The fierce battles in the karst cave eased up now, as they knew that the determining fight would actually happen within the Space of Mystery Dragon. However, the two emotionless Wu warriors continued to battle. Their opponents were the black-robed Mu Chen and the white-robed Mu Chen.

"Wen Ziyu, assist Mu Chen's clones in finishing off the Wu warriors," said Wen Qingxuan.

Wen Ziyu nodded, then dashed towards one of the Wu warriors. Dong Shan wanted to stop him, but Ling Xi appeared before him. The latter waved her hand, and a vast spiritual array formed, blocking his way. When both teams were involved in a confrontation once again, they did not notice that a black figure was creeping in with the help of the shadows on the floor. It finally closed in on the Space of Mystery Dragon, then made its way into the vibrating space.

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The moment he stepped into the space passageway, Mu Chen's surrounding environment began to change rapidly. The next moment, the space fluctuations quickly stabled, and he was able to observe his surroundings.

The land was deserted and deep valleys spread across it. After Mu Chen swept out his gaze out, he stopped it upon the land that was far away from him.

There, he saw a huge parade square that had black stones laid upon it. Thousands of crimson stone statues stood tall and high within it. Each of the statues was vivid and almost lifelike in appearance.

These stone status stood quietly in the parade square, like an elite army. They faced the platform in front of them with faces full of respect and passion.

As Mu Chen looked at the stone statues, his face gradually turned solemn. This was because he felt a daunting oppression exuding from these stone soldiers.

"This must be the Mystery Dragon Army!" Radiance flickered in Mu Chen's eyes. Only the Mystery Dragon Army could exude such a daunting oppression, even though they were in a deep sleep!

Shua!

Wu Tong appeared in the sky not far away. Passion and greed filled his eyes as he stared at the stone army. He then turned to Mu Chen and laughed. "Dumb*ss! Do you think that you can get the control rights if you follow me into the Space of Mystery Dragon?"

In the face of his taunts, Mu Chen remained composed. He knew things were not as easy as he had first thought, but he was not about to let Wu Tong obtain such a daunting army!

Seeing that Mu Chen was ignoring him, Wu Tong immediately felt bored. He sneered and clenched his fist.

Then, an amulet appeared in his hand. He then tossed the amulet up in the air.

When the amulet was in the air, it let out a radiant spiritual light. The light was like the warm sunlight as it shone on the stone statues in the parade square. Under the spiritual light, Mu Chen quickly discovered that the stone bodies were melting!

"That amulet must have been made by the Heavenly Sovereign in the Wu family in order to wake these sleeping soldiers!" Mu Chen knit his eyebrows slightly upon seeing that Wu Tong was indeed well-prepared!

The stone statues were melting non-stop as Mu Chen was watching. After a few minutes, the stone had utterly melted off of the statues, leaving only scarlet armored figures!

These figures were extremely burly, and their skins were dark red in color. Vague dragon scales could even be seen upon them, and they were giving off a tinge of dragon's mightiness.

But, Mu Chen also noticed that, when they had slowly detached from the stones, some of the warriors had turned into ashes immediately. The deep sleep must have eroded some of them as time passed.

As Mu Chen and Wu Tong watched them anxiously, the scarlet figures opened their eyes. Confusion filled their eyes at first.

Eventually, their eyes gathered some spiritual light within them, and in the end, they suddenly lowered their heads and bowed towards the tall platform that was in front of them.

Dong!

The land seemed to shake at this time. The figures then gradually recovered their memories, finally remembering the last scene before they fell into a deep sleep. Their king had used his last bit of power to put them into a deep sleep in order to protect them!

Sensing that the Mystery Dragon Army was upset by this remembrance, Mu Chen and Wu Tong did not dare disturb them. They just let them mourn their king quietly.

After a short while, the figured, who were obviously the soldiers of the Mystery Dragon Army, stood up slowly. A burly figure, who was standing in front of the army, lifted his head and looked at Mu Chen and Wu Tong, who were in the air.

He then asked, "Who woke us up?"

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Chapter 1310: Choices

"Who woke us up?" The low voice that echoed throughout heaven and earth brightened up Wu Tong's eyes, and he looked thrilled. He then cupped his fist and spoke loudly, "I'm Wu Tong. I've long known about the Mystery Dragon Army from ancient times. It is my honor to revive all of you from your long sleep."

Wu Tong was a somewhat scheming person. He did not express his purpose right from the start. Instead, he lowered himself so that the army could have a good impression of him.

His scheme was well-thought out, but he licked the wrong boots. All the soldiers, including the burly man, looked confused. They did not seem delighted to wake up from their sleep.

"Did the Great Thousand World win that Grand War back then?" asked the burly man slowly.

Wu Tong immediately nodded. "Thanks to the hard work done by the seniors. The Great Thousand World eventually defended the invasion of the Extraterritorial Race."

Mu Chen lifted his eyes and said emotionlessly, "They might be defeated, but they still took up half of the Great Thousand World. Now, they are eyeing us, waiting for the right chance to invade the Great Thousand World again."

Seeing Mu Chen cutting the ground under his feet, he immediately stared at him with sharp and cold eyes.

Upon hearing what Mu Chen said, the Mystery Dragon Army finally made some noise. Many soldiers were gritting their teeth, showing their extreme hatred for the Extraterritorial Race.

Wu Tong was a little impatient when he saw that the Mystery Dragon Army did not express any intention of submitting to him. He smiled. This time, he did not conceal his intention of recruiting them. "Everyone, our Wu family is a supreme power in the Great Thousand World. Our master is a Heavenly Sovereign. If everyone lacks a place to go, you're welcome to join us, and we'll treat you with honor!"

However, the burly man just looked at him without any expression. Although Wu Tong concealed himself well, the former was someone who could see through people. With one look he could tell that Wu Tong was someone ambitious.

"Although you woke us up, that does not mean that we will submit to you," the burly man said calmly.

The smile on Wu Tong's face froze. He was furious. These fellows must have damaged their brains while they were asleep. Even though the combat power of the Mystery Dragon Army was incredibly strong, they had to be controlled by a powerful War Troop Dispatcher. Otherwise, this army would be a well-organized army, but an ordinary one. Even a Spiritual Grade Heavenly Sovereign could wipe them out easily, let alone a God Grade Heavenly Sovereign.

However, Wu Tong did not display any anger. "I do not impress you with our results. But you should know that any army will require an outstanding War Troop Dispatcher before they can shine. All of you are the elites trained by the Mystery Dragon War Emperor. I'm sure you don't want to smear his name centuries later."

The burly man nodded. "Yes, that is why we do not want to submit to anybody and smear the name of our lord." In other words, he did not think that Wu Tong was qualified to be their next master.

Wu Tong's face could not help but twitch. "Do you mean there is someone else here more qualified than me?" His blood boiled. Initially, he thought that when he woke the Mystery Dragon Army, they would be grateful to him and submit to him immediately. Wu Tong did not know that these people would be so ungrateful and picky.

The burly man swept his gaze slowly over Mu Chen and Wu Tong and said, "You will have some priority since you woke us up." The corner of Wu Tong's eyes twitched when he heard that. He gritted his teeth thinking that some priorities were better than none. He needed to have some advantage.

The next moment, Wu Tong's expression immediately froze upon hearing the burly man's next sentence. "But, some of the soldiers told me that they had a good impression with this friend over here."

The burly man was staring at Mu Chen with a bizarre look. Mu Chen was stunned, too. In fact, he was thinking of ways to impress the Mystery Dragon Army. He was not expecting that the other party would have a good impression of him.

Mu Chen looked at the soldiers below, shocked, and realized that they were staring at him. Not only that, but their gazes were also filled with respect and friendliness for some reason. Mu Chen had some

doubts initially, but soon after, he blinked as though he had thought of something. After he made up his mind, his body let out a dragon roar.

Roar!

Violet radiance soared into the sky, and the Spirit of the Real Dragon in his body appeared crouching behind him in the form of an enormous violet dragon. When the Spirit of the Real Dragon showed up, the army burst out into a huge commotion. Most of the Mystery Dragon Soldiers were excited. If not for their firm determination, they might have just kneeled before it.

All these soldiers of the Mystery Dragon Army were infused with Dragon Blood to build their burly physiques. The dragon bloodline flowed in their bodies. It gave them power, and at the same time, they could feel the oppression of the dragon bloodline.

The Spirit of the Real Dragon in Mu Chen was transformed by the purest Real Dragon in the dragon bloodline. It was the royal dragon from the Dragon Clan. Hence, they could not help but feel friendly and respectful towards Mu Chen. To be more precise, they were respectful towards the Real Dragon aura and the bloodline in Mu Chen, rather than towards Mu Chen himself.

"It's really the aura of the Real Dragon..." The burly man looked at the crouching Spirit of the Real Dragon as thrill flashed across his face. From a certain angle, they considered themselves as Dragon Men, part of the Dragon Clan, since they had absorbed the Dragon Blood.

The Dragon Men did not enjoy high status in the Dragon Clan. Hence, when they saw the Real Dragon of the royal family in the Dragon Clan, it was like an encounter between a commoner and the Emperor...

Wu Tong was so angry that he almost spat a mouthful of blood. He had spent so much effort to get into this Space of the Mystery Dragon. He even used a Heavenly Sovereign Amulet to revive the army, yet these dumb*sses were not grateful at all. Not only were they cold towards him, but they showed interest in Mu Chen. Wu Tong almost wanted to exterminate the army because of this. That was, if he had the capability...

However, Wu Tong was slightly relieved. Even though the Mystery Dragon Army showed friendliness towards Mu Chen, they did not express that they wanted to submit to him. After all, these soldiers were experienced, and they all had strong minds. They would not submit to Mu Chen, foregoing everything, even though he had the Spirit of the Real Dragon.

"So, what is your plan? All of you have regained consciousness, while the Space of the Mystery Dragon lacks spiritual energy. I'm afraid this place cannot support your cultivation anymore. Without any external assistance, this place will explode in no time," Wu Tong said with a darkened expression.

The burly man smiled and said, "That is true... A fine bird chooses a tree to nestle in. We do not want to be led by some ordinary man, in case we stain the name of our lord."

Wu Tong snorted and said, "What is there to choose from? He is only an Upper Earthly Sovereign. How can he fight with me?"

The burly man shook his head. "All we want to choose is an outstanding War Troop Dispatcher. The strength is not within our consideration."

Wu Tong raged. These scumbags even said he would have some priorities. Now, they were helping Mu Chen. What kind of priority was this? Useless!

"How do you want to choose?!" Wu Tong asked darkly.

"Through the War Troop Dispatcher way, of course," said the burly man. He pointed at the Mystery Dragon Troop. "To be fair, both of you can choose the numbers of soldiers you want and circulate the fighting spirit to fight with each other. Whoever is the more proficient War Troop Dispatcher will win."

Radiance flickered in Wu Tong's eyes. He sneered. "Are we supposed to choose the same number of soldiers just to be fair?"

He had absolute confidence in his proficiency as War Troop Dispatcher, as he had trained with all the Wu family's resources. This was a Wu family secret. Others only knew that his spiritual energy cultivation was strong, but no one knew that his proficiency as a War Troop Dispatcher was equally strong.

This time, the burly man shook his head. "The number of soldiers you can control all depends on your capability. There's no limitation."

Wu Tong heaved a sigh of relief. If the number of soldiers had been limited, he would have thought that this burly man had something against him. He did not believe that Mu Chen could beat him in terms of his proficiency level as War Troop Dispatcher.

"If so, I'll agree to what you say!" Wu Tong looked at Mu Chen coldly. "I'm just afraid that this lad has no guts!"

He hated Mu Chen to the core. He could have achieved this without spending this extra effort. However, Mu Chen's appearance caused the army to be less favorable towards him. Hence, he needed to spend the extra effort.

Mu Chen ignored his glare. He cupped his fist and bowed to the burly man and the many soldiers of the Mystery Dragon Army as a form of appreciation for giving him a chance to fight it out with Wu Tong. He then turned around and smiled at Wu Tong. "Since you dare to take up the challenge, why would I be afraid of it?"