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Chapter 611 – The Mirror of Judgement

Smoke gradually dissipated as the last Battle Stage put a closure to that intense battle.

Naturally, the outcome was certainly beyond everyone's expectations, since no one expected Wu Ling to lose. After all, amongst the eight Captains, in terms of fame, Wu Ling ranked third. But even so, he was still defeated, the cruel reality made many people inwardly sigh. The Great Spiritual Academy Tournament this time truly was too intense.

Every student of the Martial Spiritual Academy looked at one another as they felt a little depressed. The defeat of Wu Ling had a huge impact on their morale.

However, they all knew that Wu Ling was not to blame as he had already performed very well. After all, he even used the power of the Divine War Ape in the end, but who could have expected Xue Tianhe to have such similar powerful trump card hidden as well?

The Dean of the Martial Spiritual Academy had his brows furrowed in midair as he looked at Xue Tianhe's silhouette. He couldn't help letting out a cold snort, "Those from the clans are really detestable, wanting to stretch their hands to everything."

Looks like Wu Ling's defeat made this Wu Tianwang a little unhappy.

When the four other Deans by the side heard his words, they knew that he was unhappy. Thus, they kept their silence, since it was impossible for them to do something like removing the qualifications of Xue Tianhe. If they did, the Blood God Clan would definitely not let this matter rest so easily.

"Cough, since the Battle of the Best 8 has concluded, let's announce the next match." Dean Tiansheng of the Saint Spiritual Academy dryly coughed as he spoke with a faint laugh.

Although the strength displayed by Xue Tianhe truly was powerful, he had absolute confidence in Ji Xuan. Thus, he believed that their Saint Spiritual Academy could get the best results in this Great Spiritual Academy Tournament.

The four Deans nodded at his words.

Seeing their reaction, Dean Tain Sheng waved his hand as his robust voice spread out like thunder in the sky, "The Battle of the Best 8 has ended, those in the Best 4 are the four strongest teams!"

"They will be the protagonists of this Great Spiritual Academy Tournament!"

"Saint Spiritual Academy!"

Along with Dean Tiansheng's robust voice resounding, a brilliant pillar of light descends from the sky, enveloping Ji Xuan and his team under the countless gazes.

"Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy!"

Another pillar of light fell as Mu Chen's team of five quietly remained as the light shone onto their bodies, causing a light arc to appear on their bodies as the amount trembling and ocean-rolling cheers

resounded. Amongst those cheers, the cheers from the students of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy were the craziest.

“Myriad Phoenix Spiritual Academy!”

Another pillar of light descended, Wen Qingxuan’s left hand was tightly gripping her golden war spear with her hair draped down. Her right hand was on her slim waist, while the golden armour covered her voluptuous figure and wonderful curves. Her charming face had the similar pride of a phoenix and as her phoenix-like eyes moved, she emitted a startling charm.

Behind her, Pin’er, Le’er and the other two girls were all gorgeous flowers, attracting countless amounts of attention.

“Blood God Academy!”

The last pillar of light descended on the head of Xue Tianhe and his team with him standing at the front. He tugged both of his arms against his chest as he maintained a calm expression, except his cold gaze, which was constantly locked on Mu Chen.

The four pillars of light became the most focused of the entire heavens and earth. The four teams were undisputedly the strongest and no one would deny this point.

They had undergone half a year of the Elimination Round and in the Final Battle, they defeated opponents that were similarly powerful to stand in the position that they were in right now, receiving the earth-shattering cheers and admiring gazes.

“Since the Best 4 have emerged, the next confrontation will be even more fearsome. I wonder who will win.”

“I’m guessing that Ji Xuan of the Saint Spiritual Academy has the highest chance. The strength of this person is deep and unfathomable.”

“That’s hard to say, Wen Qingxuan of the Myriad Phoenix Spiritual Academy is not an easy opponent. Don’t look at how normal she was from her performance in her battle, even Ji Xuan doesn't dare to belittle her.”

“Yeah, I’ve heard the Dean mention before that Wen Qingxuan is not simple.”

“Then, is Mu Chen of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy simple? Even Liu Qingyun lost to him and based on Liu Qingyun’s strength, he’s probably comparable to Wu Ling.”

“That Xue Tianhe as well. No one wouldn’t fear someone that could defeat Wu Ling.”

“This battle round for the Championship of the Great Spiritual Academy Tournament is probably the most intense in the last century...”

Whispers that filled the air burst out. The strength of the four teams was simply too powerful and without going through the final battle, no one was able to predict who would win.

As the heavens and earth were filled with the mountain-trembling and ocean-rolling cheers, the four teams stood on the four respective Battle Stages quietly as they welcomed countless heated gazes. Their expressions, however, were calm, without any ripples in their hearts.

Any of the teams that could come this far were the strongest amongst all the Spiritual Academies. Thus, their hearts were also the hardest to be shaken.

“I wonder how the next battle will be conducted.” Shen Cangsheng looked at the three other teams as he spoke with a heavy expression. Every single one of those three teams was extremely powerful and any single one of them would probably be a tough battle for them.

“No matter who our next opponent is, we just have to do our best.” Mu Chen said with a faint smile.

“Since we have you and Luo Li, our burden will be easier.” Li Xuanton said with a smile as their team had two hearts, Mu Chen and Luo Li.

The two of them, one in the light, while the other stayed in the shadows. Perhaps many people were unaware, but this girl that had not shown any ability was actually a powerful figure that wasn't inferior to the four other Captains.

When Mu Chen heard his comment, he couldn't help staring at his team and just when he was about to speak, he suddenly felt something and he raised his head with his eyes narrowed.

At the same time, Luo Li, Ji Xuan, Wen Qingxuan and Xue Tianhe had also realised it as they raised their heads as well.

Their line-of-sights were directed at the horizon and up in the horizon, space suddenly started to violently distort as a colossal object that was roughly a few thousand meters in size exited from the distorted space.

Hissssss.

When everyone saw that colossal object that broke out from the space, they couldn't refrain from sucking in a mouthful of air.

It was a bronze mirror that was roughly a few thousand meters. The rim of the bronze mirror was filled with extremely profound runes, ancient and obscure. The surface of the mirror was dark ash-grey as if it was covered in dust and could not be seen.

The instant the bronze mirror appeared, the space in this region showed signs of disorder, as if an incredibly powerful object that it could not withstand had appeared.

The bronze mirror quietly hovered in the sky. The surface of the mirror that was covered in dust gave off a feeling as if it could reflect anything that was in the Great Thousand World.

“That's...”

Shock was revealed in Mu Chen's eyes as he felt that the Great Meru Demonic Pillar within his body have fine trembles. Furthermore, he was even more stunned when there were slight ripples from the “Immortal Page”.

“That’s the Divine Artifact of the Five Great Spiritual Academies... the Mirror of Judgement.”

Sword lights also uncontrollably surged out of Luo Li’s hand as a sword cry rang out as if it was trying to struggle free from her hand to compete with the mysterious bronze mirror.

“The Mirror of Judgement?”

Hearing this name, everyone felt startled and even Mu Chen’s gaze was complicated. Generally speaking, the Mirror of Judgement more or less had something to do with the fact that he could enter the Spiritual Road and meet Luo Li, since the Mirror of Judgement that was before him selected the people that were qualified for the Spiritual Road.

“What rank of Divine Artifact is it?” Mu Chen looked at Luo Li as he asked with a soft voice.

“Probably above High Rank.” Luo Li said after a brief ponder.

Mu Chen inhaled a mouthful of air again. Above High-Rank Divine Artifact? Probably only those ancient clans with powerful foundations could possess such a powerful Divine Artifact, he never expected for it to appear in the Five Great Academies.

“Legend has it that this Mirror of Judgement has been handed down since the ancient times. The light ray from it could penetrate the barrier of any plane. When it shines onto a Lower Plane... no one can hide from its light.” Luo Li continued explaining.

“It is said that in the ancient times, the light of this Mirror of Judgement could even reduce Sovereign Realm experts to dust.”

“So dreadful?” Mu Chen’s heart shook. If that was the case, didn’t it mean that he could use this Mirror of Judgement to locate his mother?

However, the thought flashed for only a moment before it was dispelled. His mother had gone through so much effort in order to keep him hidden, if he went poking his nose around, it might be sensed by that mysterious clan. At the current moment, Mu Chen didn’t think that he had the qualifications to confront that clan.

“It’s just a legend... but this Mirror of Judgement seems to have undergone a tribulation during the ancient times and thus, it was damaged. It shouldn’t have any dreadful power anymore.” Luo Li spoke as she smiled.

“I wonder what the Five Great Deans are planning by suddenly summoning the Mirror of Judgement.” Su Xuan was a little confused as she spoke her doubts.

The Mirror of Judgement did not belong to any of the Spiritual Academies but shared amongst the five. It could only be summoned with the Five Great Deans acting at the same time.

“Is it for the Battle of the Best 4 next?” Shen Cangsheng spoke in astonishment.

“That should be the case.” Mu Chen and Luo Li exchanged looks as only this reason would explain it. Otherwise, the Five Great Deans would definitely not take this Divine Artifact out so easily.

Just when everyone was lost in their guessing and doubts, Dean Tiansheng of the Saint Spiritual Academy in midair revealed a light smile as he pointed towards the Mirror of Judgement as his robust voice rang out within everyone's ears.

"All of your guesses are correct, the Battle of the Best 4 will be started by the Mirror of Judgement.

Rustle!

As he spoke, mountain-trembling and ocean-rolling cheers rang out in an instant, even Mu Chen and his team had shock in their eyes as they exchanged looks.

The Battle of the Best 4 seemed to be more and more interesting.

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Chapter 612 – Sea of Judgement

The colossal ancient bronze mirror hovered in the horizon, distorting the surrounding space as space looked to be on the verge of shattering. As if the space couldn't withstand the Divine Artifact.

Everyone focused their gazes on the Mirror of Judgement as awe and surprise was revealed on their faces. It was probably the first time everyone had seen such a dreadful Divine Artifact of such a grade in their lives.

"What has the upcoming Battle of the Best 4 got to do with the Mirror of Judgement?"

"According to what Dean Tiansheng said, it should be the case..."

"Then, it's interesting."

"..."

Innumerable whispers spread out as many people were a little curious since the Battle of the Best 4 this time seemed a bit different. It was not the usual lottery method, but another method. However, this was precisely the reason why everyone had expectations for it.

After all, the Five Great Academies wouldn't normally take out a Divine Artifact like the Mirror of Judgement. Thus, it was a feast for their eyes.

Naturally, they were not the only ones curious, even the Best 4 teams were looking at the Mirror of Judgement in astonishment, since they had no idea how the Battle of the Best 4 would take place.

Under the myriad of looks, Dean Tiansheng stood with his hands behind his back and smiled, "In the Battle of the Best 4 coming up next, the four teams will enter the Mirror of Judgement, and you only have one objective, to walk out of the Mirror of Judgement."

"If not even one member of the team can successfully walk out, that team's qualification will be seized, and their journey in the tournament will come to an end."

The eyes of Mu Chen and the rest grew cold, since it looked like the test in the Mirror of Judgement had a dangerous possibility of total annihilation. Although it was controlled by the Five Great Deans and thus, there wouldn't be any danger to one's life, they would lose their qualifications to fight for the Championship.

“Have you all understood?” Dean Tiansheng slowly spoke as he looked at the four teams.

The four teams nodded at his words.

“Since that’s the case...” Dean Tiansheng slightly nodded his head as he looked at the four other Deans and continued, “Then, let’s open the Mirror of Judgement.”

The four Deans stood up at the same time and made a gripping gesture with their hands, four ancient bronze seals flew out from their hands as they radiated with light. The five lights exploded with high speed as they entered the surface of the Mirror of Judgement, which was covered in dust.

Buzz! Buzz!

A peculiar buzzing noise rang out between the heavens and earth as the huge Mirror of Judgement slowly started to rotate. As the Mirror of Judgement moved, the surrounding space started to shatter, revealing hideous-looking cracks and a pitch-black abyss.

With the Mirror of Judgement rotating, the surface of the mirror, which was covered in dust, slowly started to turn clear as a faint light was being emitted from it, seemingly capable of penetrating through the obstructions of space.

On the stage, the four teams were looking at the clear mirror with heavy expressions.

“Let’s go!”

Mu Chen deeply inhaled a mouthful of air, let out a bark and waved his hand; speaking nothing else.

Rustle!

When he finished speaking, his figure was the first to fly out, transforming into a light ray as he streaked across the horizon, and charged directly into the Mirror of Judgement, before disappearing into it. After him, Luo Li and the other three of his team closely followed behind.

At the same time when Mu Chen’s team entered the Mirror of Judgement, the three remaining teams charged in without any hesitation as well.

As the four teams disappeared, the surface of the Mirror of Judgement radiated with brilliance, and a huge screen appeared, displaying the four teams.

Everyone widened their eyes as they looked at this region, the space where the Mirror of Judgement’s test would take place.

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When Mu Chen and his team entered the Mirror of Judgement, their eyes were blinded by the dazzling light for an instant, before it disappeared.

As the light dissipated, Mu Chen and his team raised their guard, Spiritual Energy covered them as they tensed their bodies and looked at the surroundings with vigilance.

After that, they couldn’t help having their expressions changed.

The area which they were in seemed to be in the chaotic ocean depths. The ocean was extremely vast, since the end couldn't be seen, it was inscrutable.

Furthermore, there was a dreadful pressure that existed in this chaotic ocean, a pressure that made Mu Chen and his team feel their scalps tingling.

There was a faint sphere of light around their team, it was this sphere of light that isolated them from the chaotic ocean. But despite that, the indescribable pressure still continuously invaded in.

"This ocean... seems to be formed entirely from Spiritual Energy." Mu Chen's gaze closely looked at the chaotic ocean outside the sphere of light as he spoke with his eyes twitching.

Hearing his words, the faces of Shen Cangsheng and the rest instantly changed as they looked around the chaotic ocean with fear in their eyes. All of this was purely formed from Spiritual Energy? It formed an entire actual ocean, just how frightening was that?

Furthermore, what made their hearts jolt was the fact that they seemed to currently be in this Spiritual Energy ocean.

At the thought of that, the faces of Shen Cangsheng and the rest grew pale. Even if this Spiritual Energy ocean wasn't controlled by anyone, the pressure itself was more than enough to suffocate them.

Mu Chen swept his eyes as he realised that there were three similar sphere of light, surrounding the three other teams. At this moment, they were also looking around at this unfamiliar place.

"In ten breaths time, the light shield that is protecting all of you will shatter. The end of this Spiritual Energy ocean is right above you, and in here, you are all allowed to execute any means you have. As long as you are able to reach the end, you will be able to walk out of the Mirror of Judgement. Similarly, the teams that a single member could not walk out will lose their qualifications."

When Mu Chen was looking around, a robust voice suddenly rang out in their ears, it was the voice of Dean Tiansheng.

Hearing his voice, the eyes of Mu Chen and the rest narrowed as their bodies tensed up.

Ten breath's of time passed in a flash as the atmosphere within the light sphere made them feel suffocated.

Crack.

When ten breaths of time passed, the lights surrounding them dimmed as a cracking noise resounded, turning into sparks of light as the sphere dissipated.

As the light sphere shattered, the dreadful Spiritual Energy ocean swept forth, engulfing the five of them with the fearsome Spiritual Energy pressure that was mountain-trembling and ocean-rolling.

On the surface of Mu Chen's body, black lightning burst out in nearly an instant as it flickered, he had clearly activated his Lightning God's Physique. But even so, he still felt an instant of heaviness on his body as the terrifying pressure swept towards him from all directions, as if it was trying to tear his body into shreds from the pressure.

Beside him, Shen Cangsheng, Li Xuanton and Su Xuan had already circulated the Spiritual Energy in their bodies, forming a barrier on the surface of their skin. However, their bodies still felt tens of feet down, and their faces were a little red.

Only Luo Li was able to keep up with Mu Chen.

“What powerful Spiritual Energy pressure.” Luo Li also wore a heavy expression, but fortunately, the Spiritual Energy ocean wasn’t deliberately controlled to deal with them. Otherwise, they would suffer heavy injuries in an instant.

Mu Chen nodded in agreement as he looked into the distance, there was spiritual light as the three other teams had clearly used their full strength to resist the pressure of this Spiritual Energy ocean.

“Let’s charge!”

Mu Chen looked above, but the end could not be seen from the chaotic colour. Looks like it isn’t an easy task to get out of this Spiritual Energy ocean.

It didn’t matter how hard it was to get their way there or what would happen next, they had to leave this place, first.

“Okay.” Luo Li lightly nodded her head.

Looking at it, Mu Chen inhaled a mouthful of air as the black lightning radiated even more on the surface of his body. On his chest, six lightning runes appeared at rapid speed as he stepped on the empty ground, a wave of air swept out as the liquid of Spiritual Energy exploded. At the same time, his figure was like black lightning as he charged up.

Black lightning was being released around him to resist the terrifying pressure coming from the Spiritual Energy ocean.

Luo Li followed behind Mu Chen as the Spiritual Energy on the surface of her body rapidly flowed. She was using a clever method to negate a part of the pressure and maintained her speed.

Not far away from the two, Shen Cangsheng and the other two clenched their teeth as they closely followed behind. This place made them feel as if they were deep in the mud as the Spiritual Energy in their bodies was being rapidly exhausted.

Far away, the three teams had also moved, fifteen light silhouettes were shuttling in the Spiritual Energy ocean, travelling at a rapid speed towards the end of the ocean.

That scene was clear to those outside the Mirror of Judgement, there were twenty light silhouettes that were quickly tearing through the chaotic Spiritual Energy ocean.

Although they weren’t present in it, they could also sense the dreadful Spiritual Energy pressure emitted from the Mirror of Judgement, which made them feel inwardly startled. If it were them, they would probably not be able to move an inch forth, not to mention about reaching the end.

Up in midair, the Five Great Deans were also staring at the Mirror of Judgement, but each of them had a different expression in their eyes as they looked at the twenty light silhouettes.

“Haha, I wonder how many people will be able to walk out of the Mirror of Judgement this time?” Dean Tiansong of the Azure Sky Spiritual Academy smiled as he spoke with interest.

“It’s not so easy to walk out of the Sea of Judgement.”

Dean Tiansheng faintly smiled as his abstract eyes were looking into the clear mirror as he slowly spoke, “I believe the number of people that could walk out from it won’t exceed the fingers on one’s hand...”

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Chapter 613 – Miserable Loss

Whoosh!

Ten-plus light silhouettes were like fishes, flashing in the chaotic Spiritual Energy ocean with boundless Spiritual Energy fluctuating around them, resisting the dreadful pressure that was coming from all directions.

Compared to the speed outside, those ten-plus light silhouettes were clearly slower.

The Spiritual Energy pressure of this ocean had reached a terrifying level. If one wished to move forward, they would have to exhaust a large amount of their Spiritual Energy.

Thus, even if the four teams were peak experts, it was impossible for them to travel in the Spiritual Energy ocean without any obstructions.

Because of the Spiritual Energy pressure, there were members amongst the four teams that had started to reveal their strength in just a few minutes. Just like Mu Chen’s team, Mu Chen and Luo Li charge in the front while Shen Cangsheng and Li Xuanton followed ten feet behind and Su Xuan was after them.

Although Shen Cangsheng and the rest had executed their Spiritual Energy to the limits, they still could not catch up to the two.

Likewise, the three other teams also had similar distances dragged apart.

Su Xuan was last, her face was flushed red at this moment as the Spiritual Energy on the surface of her body also became chaotic. She could feel that her Spiritual Energy couldn’t hold out much longer.

“Do you need help?” Mu Chen transmitted his voice with his Spiritual Energy to Su Xuan’s ears.

Su Xuan clenched her teeth as she shook her head, “Looks like I’ll have to drop out of the team. The rest will depend on you guys, don’t bother stopping because of me.”

She knew very well what she had to do, not to burden Mu Chen and the rest. After all, this test didn’t require all of them to pass through the Sea of Judgement. Only one of them had to make it out, and they would succeed.

Hearing her reply, Mu Chen and the rest hesitated for a brief moment, before nodding their heads in the end. Right now wasn’t the time for them to stop and help their teammates.

“Then, we’ll make a move first, you be careful.”

Mu Chen spoke as he inhaled a deep breath, the black lightning on the surface of his body radiated with more brilliance, he stomped his foot, causing the liquid Spiritual Energy beneath to explode as his speed increased.

Luo Li also quietly formed seals with her hands as a flowing light film was formed on the surface of her body. Although her method wasn't as overbearing as Mu Chen's, it was ingenious as it negated part of the Spiritual Energy pressure to maintain her speed.

Looking at the scene from the back, Shen Cangsheng and Li Xuantong bitterly smiled. Although their situation was slightly better compared to Su Xuan, the Spiritual Energy in their bodies was rapidly being depleted. This also made them understand a fact, they would never be able to be on the same echelon as Mu Chen and Luo Li.

Rustle!

The four of them formed into two different echelons, one group at the front while the other remained behind.

A distance away, there was also a similar clear distinction. However, only the Captains of the three teams were in the first echelon.

Whoosh!

The sounds of the liquid Spiritual Energy being swept across was like the sound of water flowing as it resounded by their ears. Everyone's faces were filled with graveness as they maintained their alert in high speed. Although this Sea of Judgement looked rather calm, it gave them a feeling of unease.

As they thought about it, this Sea of Judgement might not be as simple as it looked.

Mu Chen's gaze faintly flickered as he stared at the calm Sea of Judgement and, in a split second, his pupils abruptly shrank as he vaguely sensed the surrounding liquid Spiritual Energy becoming more and more violent.

"Be cautious!" Mu Chen reminded with a heavy voice.

Just when he finished speaking, Luo Li's face changed as she hastily said, "Watch out below!"

Mu Chen's heart went cold as he saw a huge Spiritual Energy vortex suddenly appear at the bottom of the Spiritual Energy ocean as he swept his gaze. It was like a huge mouth opening that was devouring at their direction.

A powerful suction force came from the Spiritual Energy vortex, causing their speed to gradually slow down.

Shen Cangsheng and Li Xuantong were located below, and their faces instantly changed as they felt, under the suction force of the vortex, their speed becoming as slow as a snail. Not only that, they were also slowly moving back bit by bit.

"Damn it!"

The faces of Shen Cangsheng and Li Xuantonq instantly turned ugly as they circulated their Spiritual Energy to the limits. Despite that, they saw the vortex rotating faster to the point that it was even getting close to them.

“You go first!”

Li Xuantonq furrowed his brows as he grabbed onto Shen Cangsheng’s arm and threw him forth, whereas he was sent flying back from the opposing force and was devoured by the vortex.

Borrowing that force, Shen Cangsheng was able to break free of the Spiritual Energy vortex for the time being. However, he still had a bitter expression on his face as that method was just a temporary delay.

Whoosh! Whoosh!

The instant Mu Chen and his team encountered trouble, so did the other teams. Large Spiritual Energy vortices were like oceanic beasts as the burst of suction forces devoured all those silhouettes behind.

Everyone felt their scalps were a little numb at this moment as they knew that the Sea of Judgement was finally revealing its power.

Rustle!

Everyone accelerated their speed to the limits as they rapidly travelled through the liquid Spiritual Energy as they tried their best to break free from being devoured by the pressing vortices.

Shen Cangsheng had also pushed his Spiritual Energy to his limit, his face was flushed red as the boundless Spiritual Energy that was spread around him was pushing away the pressuring Spiritual Energy liquid.

Just as he was trying his best to resist, he finally broke free from the approaching Spiritual Energy vortex. The instant the suction force disappeared, Shen Cangsheng felt relieved and couldn’t help himself from cursing, “That damnable thing!”

“Watch out!”

However, just when he felt relieved, Mu Chen’s bark suddenly rang in his ears.

Shen Cangsheng turned his head, he saw the chaotic Spiritual Energy ripples at his right formed into a peculiar vortex, and he was devoured by it before he could even react.

Mu Chen and Luo Li exchanged looks, since they never expected the two of them to be the only ones left in less than ten minutes. But fortunately, the loss of the other teams was even greater, only the four Captains were left from a total of fifteen people.

But at this point in time, they didn’t have the mood to think about that as they could sense that this Sea of Judgement had been thoroughly awakened. Violent liquid Spiritual Energy started to sweep in multiple layers as densely-packed Spiritual Energy vortices appeared. The vortices were like huge mouths as they tried to devour them.

At this point in time, it was tough to advance. Not only did they have to resist the dreadful Spiritual Energy pressure, they still had to be alert against the Spiritual Energy vortices that randomly appeared around them.

Under this harsh environment, even Mu Chen had his forehead covered with beads of sweat in less than five minutes.

And outside of the Mirror of Judgement, many people were dumbfounded as they looked at the five miserable figures in the Sea of Judgement. There would be Spiritual Energy vortices appearing beside them from time to time, making them frightened as they watched. It truly was not an easy task to pass through the Sea of Judgement.

“Shit, Mu Chen fell into the Spiritual Energy vortex as well.” In the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy region, Ye Qingling’s face abruptly change when she saw Mu Chen’s advancing figure being devoured by a vortex before he could even evade.

“A Spiritual Energy vortex of such level is still insufficient to trap him, don’t worry.” Ling Xi spoke.

As she spoke, Ye Qingling and the rest saw brilliant black lightning suddenly exploded from Mu Chen’s body as his speed surged, escaping from the Spiritual Energy vortex and only then, did they feel relieved.

“However, the Spiritual Energy vortices will only get stronger and stronger. If he were to fall into one again, it might be troublesome.” Ling Xi slowly spoke as her gorgeous eyes looked at the Mirror of Judgement.

When Ye Qingling and the rest heard her words, they couldn’t help having their hearts lifted.

Within the chaotic Sea of Judgement.

“Are you alright?” Luo Li quickly inquired as she looked at Mu Chen, who had just escaped from the Spiritual Energy vortex.

Mu Chen shook his head as seven lightning runes appeared on his chest. Clearly, he had pushed his Lightning God’s Physique to the limits just to break free from the Spiritual Energy vortex.

“Be careful, the Spiritual Energy vortices are getting stronger and stronger.” Mu Chen reminded. The scale of the vortex that appeared earlier had already reached a few hundred feet, the Spiritual Energy in it was violent to a fearsome extent. If he were to fall in it again, even if he could make it out, it would definitely be after a huge exhaustion.

Even he might not be able to last long if it occurred a few more times.

“Their situation shouldn’t be too good as well.” Luo Li spoke as she glanced at the three silhouettes in the distance.

Mu Chen nodded his head as black lightning exploded beneath his feet, increasing his speed. Seeing his actions, Luo Li immediately followed.

The two of them helped one another, and although it was alarmingly dangerous, it was fortunately only alarming and not dangerous. Vaguely, their speeds were ahead of the other three.

In the distance away, Ji Xuan tapped his toe as he mysteriously dodged a Spiritual Energy vortex and he gave a dark glance at Mu Chen and Luo Li's silhouettes.

Right now, amongst the four teams, only the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy had two people remaining. If the two of them could maintain it, perhaps it might not be too beneficial for the rest of them.

Ji Xuan's gaze flashed as he looked at another direction with an obscure gaze where Xue Tianhe was at.

The gazes of those two intertwined for a brief moment and unnoticeably nodded their heads, a smear of eerie chill flashed across their eyes.

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Chapter 614 – Super Vortex

Whoosh!

Mu Chen and Luo Li's figures travelled like fishes swimming in the chaotic Sea of Judgement. Their silhouettes were extremely agile as they instantly flashed, accelerating their speeds at the same time as they dodged the endlessly appearing Spiritual Energy vortices.

However, the pressure from the chaotic ocean was simply too powerful as any action would exhaust much more Spiritual Energy compared to outside. Thus, even the condition of Mu Chen and Luo Li was greatly reduced from the high depletion.

Sweat started to form on the forehead of those two, but the two of them still kept high concentration as they didn't dare to loosen up as the number of Spiritual Energy vortices was constantly increasing in numbers. Furthermore, the frequency of them appearing was also increasingly faster, making it inscrutable.

The moment they fall into a Spiritual Energy vortex, even if they could break free from it, it would still exhaust a large amount of their Spiritual Energy, and the end of this Sea of Judgement still couldn't be seen. The moment their Spiritual Energy was fully depleted, it was basically impossible to advance any further.

Poof.

Another Spiritual Energy vortex with the size of around a hundred feet appeared on the right in front of them, the vortex was spinning as though it was like a mouth of a savage beast that was trying to devour the two of them.

Black lightning exploded off the surface of Mu Chen's body as he flashed past it at lightning speed, dodging the range of the vortex.

Whereas Luo Li stood on the Luo God Sword as piercing Sword Intent was being emitted, the sharpness of it even tore apart the Spiritual Energy, creating an empty space which allowed her to travel through.

After dodging that vortex, Mu Chen lightly spat out a mouthful of air. After maintaining this for half an hour, his body was getting more and more used to the Spiritual Energy pressure. But even so, despite the strength of his physical body, he felt faint stinging pain on his skin, which the rest was probably withstanding with their robust Spiritual Energy.

But even so, it wasn't a permanent solution as he could sense that the surrounding pressure was rapidly getting stronger and stronger as time passed.

Furthermore, they did not dare to use any intensive method when resisting the pressure as the Spiritual Energy here was extremely chaotic, the instant there was an intense Spiritual Energy fluctuation, it would only fuel a larger vortex.

Thus, they were all exceptionally careful as they advanced.

"The Spiritual Energy pressure here is getting stronger, perhaps the exit will appear soon." Luo Li spoke in a soft voice as she moved closer to Mu Chen.

Even with their strength, it was getting hard to endure the Spiritual Energy pressure. However, the Five Great Deans would not have set up a test that exceeded their limits. Otherwise, it was basically impossible for anyone to escape the Sea of Judgement.

Mu Chen lightly nodded his head, his shifted his gaze in an instant, looking a short distance away at his left and right, where Ji Xuan, Wen Qingxuan and Xue Tianhe were rapidly advancing.

Due to the reason of the vortices becoming more and more densely-packed, the distance between the five of them was also pulled closer.

Wen Qingxuan also took notice of them as well as she waved her hand towards their direction with a charming smile on her face, which was extremely attractive.

Luo Li returned her smile, and so did Mu Chen.

The silhouettes of the five people had turned into streaks of light as they rapidly advanced with all sorts of methods. But, generally speaking, there wasn't a considerable distance between the five of them as they chased after one another.

Mu Chen had also exerted his Lightning God's Physique to his limits as black lightning was constantly flickering on the surface of his body. However, the lightning did not last for a long time, before it was suppressed back into his body by the powerful Spiritual Energy pressure, sending piercing pains to himself.

In the beginning, the piercing pain made Mu Chen feel extremely annoyed, since it prevented him from being focused on sensing those vortices that instantly appeared, causing numerous situations where he was nearly sucked into one of those Spiritual Energy vortices.

However, that frustration only lasted for a brief moment, before he was startled when he vaguely felt a sour numbing sensation from the piercing pain, it was similar to when he was refining his physique with lightning.

Thus, he felt fine increments in the strength of his physique from the sour numbing sensation.

That discovery made him rather startled, and after further examination, he understood what was going on. It turns out that when the black lightning on the surface was being pressured back into his body, the lightning would travel through his muscles along with the pressure. It was precisely this refining method that made him feel the sour numbing sensation.

“So that’s how it is.”

Mu Chen suddenly saw the light of it as he never expected for the pressure to have such a miraculous effect.

“I can use it to refine my physique a little to increase my strength.” Mu Chen’s heart moved as he intended to try and use this energy to increase his strength a little. Thinking about it, he no longer hesitated as he slightly focused and loosen up his body to resist the Spiritual Energy pressure.

Just when Mu Chen was gradually submerging into his mind to use the pressure to refine his body, he failed to notice that as Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe were dodging the vortices, they were secretly getting closer to them.

They got closer very faintly to the point that even Luo Li had not noticed them as they had been travelling at high speed trying to dodge the endless Spiritual Energy vortices.

Thus, when Luo Li started to notice that Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe had been getting closer and closer to them, they were already a hundred feet away from them.

Caution rose in Luo Li’s eyes. Regarding being cautious, she wasn’t any inferior to Mu Chen. After all, she was the next Empress of the Luo God Clan, regardless of anything; thus, her guard for others was only superior and not weaker to Mu Chen.

But, clearly, Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe came prepared as they smiled the moment they saw the caution in Luo Li’s eyes, except for the fact that their smiles were a little vicious and eerie.

Boom!

Boundless Spiritual Energy burst forth from the two of them in a near instant. Due to the movement of their Spiritual Energy, the Sea of Judgement within a thousand feet in radius started to go violent.

The Spiritual Energy liquid in this region was extremely violent to begin with, and due to the commotion, it was like adding oil to the fire as an area of a thousand feet in radius started to tremble.

Buzz! Buzz!

Spiritual Energy fluctuations rippled out as a colossal vortex was quickly forming, the size of it nearly spread out to this vast region.

Luo Li’s face changed at this moment.

Whoosh!

However, before she could take any action, two surges of Spiritual Energies swept out from Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe’s hands. However, the two surges of Spiritual Energy wasn’t aimed at Mu Chen or Luo Li, but on themselves.

Boom! Boom!

Spiritual Energy exploded as a dozen vortices were quickly forming around Mu Chen and Luo Li, instantly engulfing them. Furthermore, due to the reason that the vortices were too close to each other, they were rapidly fusing together, forming into a gigantic vortex.

“You guys!”

Wen Qingxuan noticed their actions at this moment, and her face changed. The size of the Spiritual Energy vortex was too big that it nearly engulfed all of them.

Rustle!

Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe retreated, and at the same time, they were constantly flicking their fingers as numerous Spiritual Energy waves were shot out, making this already violent region even more dreadful.

At this Sea of Judgement, the Spiritual Energy was exceptionally sensitive and violent, adding to the fact that they timed their actions at the right time and acted out without any hesitation when Mu Chen and Luo Li were in the most sensitive area.

The two of them were extremely vicious as they unleashed the Spiritual Energy in their bodies without any restraints, causing the size of that vortex to be well over a thousand feet in radius, forming a super vortex.

Furthermore, all five of them was in the range of the vortex; however, Mu Chen and Luo Li were in the central area of it.

“Let’s go!”

Seeing as the Spiritual Energy vortex was formed, Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe both made a grasp with their hands without any pause as an ancient jade appeared in their hands, before immediately crushing them.

The two ancient jades were crushed as the space around the two of them faintly distorted, and in a flash, their silhouettes disappeared. When they reappeared, they were already a thousand feet away and dodged the engulfing radius of the super vortex.

Clearly, the two of them were well-prepared.

At the same time, Wen Qingxuan glanced at them in hatred as she formed seals with her hands. Golden light spread out and instantly formed into large golden wings behind her.

Boom!

The wings flapped as her speed accelerated, escaping the restriction of the super vortex as she flew out. Her position was towards the edge of it, and thus, she didn’t have to spend too much energy to escape from it.

When she escaped from it, she anxiously looked at the centre of the vortex as the two silhouettes were becoming more and more blurred.

Mu Chen, who was still submerged in his mind, was startled awake in the central region of the vortex. He looked around and instantly understood what was going on as his face turned dark.

Those two fellows are have not given up their vicious designs.

“What should we do?” Luo Li had constantly been resisting the terrifying suction force coming from the super vortex as she spoke towards Mu Chen in an anxious tone, “If this goes on, we’ll be sucked into it.”

Mu Chen deeply inhaled a mouthful of air as his black pupils were filled with chill.

“It’s already impossible to resist the suction force, and if this goes on, we’ll be finished.” Mu Chen continued further, “I’ll send you out!”

Luo Li was slightly startled as she bit her rosy lips, “You still have a fight with Ji Xuan, and you shouldn’t be absent from it this time. So I’ll send you out!”

As she spoke, she held onto Mu Chen’s wrist, but before she could exert any force, Mu Chen flipped around and held onto hers instead as a smear of a smile appeared on his face.

“Indeed, this battle belongs to me, but trust me, I am not that weak... wait for me to come out!”

Spiritual Energy exploded from Mu Chen’s palm as the force pushed Luo Li out. The girl’s crystal-clear eyes were staring at Mu Chen, before she clenched her teeth in the end as her foot tapped on the empty ground beneath her. A torrential piercing Sword Aura burst out of the Luo God Sword. The Sword Aura wrapped around her silhouette as it tore through the layers of Spiritual Energy liquid and escaped the super vortex.

When Luo Li escaped from the super vortex, Mu Chen’s figure was sucked into the Spiritual Energy vortex from the dreadful suction force as he disappeared.

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Chapter 615 – Best 4

That heart-stirring scene in the Sea of Judgement was clearly shown on the surface of the mirror as innumerable students had their eyes widened from the sudden changes that followed with an earth-shattering commotion.

“That Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe are so vicious!”

“What vicious method and with that, Mu Chen is actually eliminated, he was a potential Champion...”

“It can’t be considered vicious. After all, Dean Tiansheng had mentioned before that any means can be used. Mu Chen can only blame his own carelessness.”

“But there’s no honour in winning through this method.”

“What a pity...”

Countless clamours rose, some showed disdain, and there was some showing support. In an instant, this vast space became rowdy.

“That Ji Xuan is really shameless!” Naturally, the students of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy were the most enraged as every single one of them had an ashen expression from anger. Originally, their Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy had the advantage as Mu Chen and Luo Li still remained, but now that Mu Chen was being schemed at, only Luo Li remained; thus, their advantage no longer existed.

“What despicable fellows!” Yu Xi raged as her face was filled with anger.

Ye Qingling and the rest softly sighed. Who could have expected Ji Xuan to be so despicable to attack at such a moment? However, they too, understood that it wasn’t a violation of the rules.

“No worries, even if Big Brother Mu Chen can’t take part in the next battle, Big Sister Luo Li still remains, she definitely won’t let Ji Xuan succeed.” Sun’er comforted everyone.

Ling Xi’s brows were also slightly knitted at this moment, since she could feel the pressure coming from the super vortex as she looked at the Mirror of Judgement. Not even a Third Grade Spirit Disaster might be able to escape from that vortex.

And Mu Chen’s strength was only at the First Grade Spirit Disaster, the possibility of him making it out was too dim.

“That Ji Xuan is a disaster.” Ling Xi’s face was cold as a smear of killing intent flashed across her eyes.

The entire region went into a clamour at this instance. When the Five Great Deans witnessed that scene, Dean Tai Cang’s face was a little dark as he coldly looked at Dean Tiansheng, who had a faint smile hanging on his face.

Dean Tai Cang’s hands were tightly clenched in his sleeves as he suppressed the rage in his heart bit by bit, since he knew that there was nothing he could do, even if he raged. Although Ji Xuan’s method was despicable, it was still within the rules.

“We can only depend on Luo Li, then.”

Dean Tai Cang softly sighed in his heart. Fortunately, their Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy wasn’t fully kicked out. Although they had lost Mu Chen, they still had Luo Li and the girl’s background wasn’t weak as well. Furthermore, she hid her strength, so there was still a chance for their academy.

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The Sea of Judgement.

Wen Qingxuan was outside the super vortex as she anxiously looked at it. Not far away from her, Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe stood with faint smiles on their faces as their teamwork this time was perfect.

Whoosh!

As they smiled, a piercing break of wind came from the vortex, and a silhouette tore her way out, and in a flash, she appeared outside the super vortex, it was Luo Li.

Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe were a little surprised when they saw Luo Li making it out, but their expressions remained unchanged as they had already achieved their motive of dealing with Mu Chen.

“Luo Li!”

Wen Qingxuan rejoiced when she saw Luo Li making it out.

Rustle!

However, Luo Li’s face was covered in chill at this moment. She did not reply to Wen Qingxuan as she formed sword seals with her hand, and her Luo God Sword flew out. Two extremely sharp Sword Auras tore their way through the boundless Spiritual Energy liquid as they flew towards the two people.

The gazes of Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe changed when they saw Luo Li attacking without any words. They waved their sleeves as boundless Spiritual Energy swept out, colliding together with the Sword Aura.

Boom!

Spiritual Energy ripples wreaked havoc as it split the Spiritual Energy liquid in this region apart.

Luo Li's face was covered in frost as she grasped her hand, the Luo God Sword appeared in her hand as she unleashed her powerful Spiritual Energy. Clearly, she had intended to go all-out.

"Luo Li, do you think that you can confront the both of us with just you alone?" Ji Xuan spoke in a dark tone as he saw how forceful Luo Li was being.

"Haha, no wonder you are the next Empress of the Luo God Clan, that's some guts you have there." Xue Tianhe eerily smiled as he looked at Luo Li with mockery. If the latter intended to fight the both of them with her alone, she probably might not even gain any advantage, even though she possesses the Luo God Sword.

"Luo Li, don't be rash."

Wen Qingxuan flew over as she appeared beside Luo Li, holding onto the latter's arm as she spoke seriously, "This is not the place to fight."

Luo Li's gaze was cold as she stared at the two people. She tightly gripped the Luo God Sword as killing intent was unleashed from her body without any restraints.

"Luo Li, all sorts of means is allowed in the Sea of Judgement, he can only be blamed for being careless to end up in that situation."

When he saw the coldness in Luo Li's pupils, rage rose a little in his heart as he sneered, "I'm doing it for his own sake. If he doesn't even have this little mindset, he can only be a small figure, and the path of an expert is not for him."

"Do you really think that I don't dare to act here?" Luo Li's clear ice-cold voice had no emotion as the concentrated cold intent in her voice made the surrounding liquid Spiritual Energy fluctuate.

"Ji Xuan, if you guys want to fight here, then we'll give it a go!" Wen Qingxuan spoke as she made a grasping gesture and a golden war spear appeared.

She was also disgusted by Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe's earlier method and adding the layer of relationship she had with Luo Li, Wen Qingxuan would definitely not allow the two of them to gang up on Luo Li.

Seeing the posture of the two girls, Ji Xuan slightly narrowed his eyes. He was still rather fearful of the two girls before him, if they were to fight in this Sea of Judgement, not a single one of them could escape if they created even more dreadful Spiritual Energy vortices and he wasn't willing to halt his steps here.

"Haha, Mu Chen does have some good fortune with girls." Xue Tianhe laughed indifferently, containing a little mockery. Naturally, deep within his mockery, there was the unavoidable jealousy of a man. After all, the two girls before him were so outstanding to the point that even he was moved, and right now they were protecting Mu Chen, which made him feel uneasy.

“If he is that capable, then let him charge out himself. Otherwise, he won’t even have a chance to fight me.”

Ji Xuan faintly smiled as he glanced at Luo Li, “If you want to help him fight back, then wait till we’re out of the Mirror of Judgement. No matter what you want, I will accompany you till the end.”

When he finished speaking, Ji Xuan no longer spoke any further as he turned around and flew towards the end of the Sea of Judgement at high speed and Xue Tianhe immediately followed behind upon seeing the former’s actions.

Seeing the departure of the two, Wen Qingxuan stored her golden war spear as she helplessly sighed, while looking at Luo Li’s ice-cold face. Who could have expected Mu Chen’s steps to stop here?

“That fellow...” Wen Qingxuan tilted her head as she glanced at the super vortex. The suction force from it made her expression heavy. If she were to fall into it, even she might not even be able to break free.

“He will break free.” Luo Li said softly.

Wen Qingxuan bitterly smiled and didn’t know how to reply to her. If any of them were to fall into the super vortex, the chances of making it out were too low.

“Doesn’t matter if he can make it out, we should get going, or are you going to let Ji Xuan seize the Championship?” Wen Qingxuan spoke as she looked at Luo Li.

Luo Li narrowed her eyes as she looked at the super vortex and nodded her head in the end. Indeed, it wasn’t the time for her to stop right now. If Mu Chen couldn’t make it out, then she would have to obstruct Ji Xuan.

Luo Li bit her lips as she loosened her grip on the Luo God Sword, stepping onto it as Sword Aura whistled, carrying her flying figure out as her long radiant hair lightly fluttered, the scene was extremely gorgeous.

Wen Qingxuan also glanced at the super vortex with a complicated look, before following from behind.

There weren’t any more waves in the Sea of Judgement after that. Although the pressure was getting stronger, the four of them possessed extraordinary strength after all; thus, they were able to endure it.

Another ten minutes passed under the endurance, and a peculiar fluctuation appeared in the chaotic ocean. A lustrous door appeared at the end.

Looking at the light door, the four people felt relieved as they finally made it to the end. Otherwise, their Spiritual Energy might be thoroughly depleted.

Whoosh!

The four streaks of light flew as they charged into the light door without any hesitation.

The Mirror of Judgement quietly floated on top of the Golden Battle Stage.

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Under the innumerable gazes, brilliant light burst from the Mirror of Judgement as four silhouettes flew out from the light and hovered in the air.

When the four silhouettes appeared, mountain-trembling and ocean-rolling cheers rang out between the heavens and earth.

Four whole teams entered the Mirror of Judgement, and in the end, only four people made it out! Such a cruel competition trembled their hearts.

“Indeed, Mu Chen isn’t here...”

There were sighs of regret when many people did not see a silhouette amongst the four silhouettes. Who could have expected that a dark horse without any obstructions before him would fall in the end?

“Next... I’m afraid that it will be the Battle of the Best 4.”

Countless gazes shot up into the sky, at the four silhouettes that hovered in the air. When they exited the Mirror of Judgement, their exhausted Spiritual Energy had instantly recovered. The speed was several times faster compared to before they entered. Clearly, coming out of the Mirror of Judgement was beneficial to them.

Luo Li stood on her sword and under the earth-shattering cheers, her gaze was fixed onto the Mirror of Judgement, before she let out a sigh in the end and slowly clenched her fist.

Mu Chen, you must make it out. You have waited three years for this battle, so you must not be absent!

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Chapter 616: The Battle for Champion

Splash!

At the bottom of the super whirlpool, the liquid spiritual energy was circulating frantically. Its formidable strength could crush a master who had reached the Third Grade of the Spirit Disaster.

Spiritual light was blossoming at the bottom of the gloomy whirlpool where a figure was sitting with his legs crossed. Black lightning was frantically flashing on his body, creating dull thunderclaps.

This figure was Mu Chen, who was trapped in the super whirlpool.

At that moment, he was not apparently in good shape. The black lightning was flashing on his body, which meant he had pushed his Thunder God Physique to the upper limit. Even so, the formidable force pressing in from all directions still made him confused.

On the surface of his body, fresh blood kept seeping out from his pores, which meant his body couldn't withstand the pressure anymore. The strength of the super whirlpool was irresistible, even though he had the protection of the Hepta Rune Lightning.

Puh!

Mu Chen spat out a mouthful of fresh blood, which was flowing down from the corners of his mouth. The bloodstain made his handsome face look a little bit ferocious. He reached out his hand and slowly wiped off the blood.

His black eyes were full of coldness; however, not a glint of fear could be found in his eyes.

"Indeed, this pressure is irresistible..." Because of the formidable pressure, Mu Chen's voice was quite hoarse, as if his throat were injured.

He raised his head a little bit. His sight was full of rapidly rotating liquid spiritual energy, which continuously exerted formidable pressure on him.

He could sense the acute pain permeating his body, becoming increasingly stronger. It meant his body couldn't hold out for long in such conditions.

Once he was unconscious due to serious injury, he would be sent directly out of the Mirror of Judgement. In this way, he would definitely lose the opportunity to participate in the battle for the championship. Therefore, Mu Chen would never let that happen.

"Since I am still not strong enough..."

The young man raised his handsome face, which was still a little bit immature because of his young age. However, a perseverance which was quite rare among his peers could be found in his countenance.

He pressed his lips together and started to gradually hold his hands. His eyes were as cold as blades.

"Let me become stronger!"

Much of Mu Chen's insistence on letting Luo Li go first was because he didn't want her to be endangered; however, he chose to stay in the whirlpool alone because he also had his own plans.

Although the pressure of the spiritual energy in the Sea of Judgement was extremely horrible, it was quite helpful for cultivation. Of course, the prerequisite was that the cultivator could handle the risk and suffering caused by the pressure of spiritual energy.

In a whirlpool like this, risks and opportunities co-existed.

In the face of a death threat, strength could be cultivated. Now was exactly the best time to realize a breakthrough.

As the saying goes, fortune comes from taking risks. In this world, no strength came for no reason, which was a truth Mu Chen sincerely believed in. The reason that he could always be prominent in the Spiritual Road, the Northern Spiritual Realm, and the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy was never due to his gift but instead was due to his frequent conquering of those life-threatening challenges.

"Luo Li, this time I won't be absent."

Mu Chen smiled a bit. Then he closed his eyes gradually and quietly formed spiritual seals with his hands. At the same time, the black lightning permeating his body dissipated with surprising rapidity.

Along with the dissipation of the black lightning, the frantic liquid spiritual energy which had been kept out, swept in with the formidable pressure.

Horrible pain started to rage in his body. Mu Chen could clearly sense his body was about to be crushed by the impact of that violent pressure. However, no matter how acute the pain was, he always stayed awake. The black lightning was constantly shuttling in his muscles and bones. Under the formidable

pressure coming from outside, the black lightning had nowhere to go and was pressed into his muscles and bones bit by bit...

While the acute pain was permeating his body, Mu Chen's flesh, bones, and meridians also started to become stronger because of the intensification from the black lightning.

In the darkness, the young man was sitting with his legs crossed. His body was gradually covered by the fresh blood seeping out from his skin. The fresh blood turned into a thick scab on his body.

Mu Chen was totally isolated by the scab from all kinds of fluctuations. It seemed his body inside that scab was lifeless.

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While Mu Chen was being tortured by the darkness and acute pain, the atmosphere outside the Mirror of Judgement had climaxed with the earth-shaking cheers.

Countless people were looking with fiery eyes at the four figures in the sky. No matter how many dark horses emerged previously, finally only these four people could stand in front them.

They represented the highest level of students in all the spiritual academies.

Even some people who disapproved of the measures taken by these four had to admire their gifts and strength. Their achievements had overshadowed all the rest.

Somewhere outside the golden battle stage, Wu Ling, whose face was quite pale, couldn't help exclaiming slightly when he looked at the four figures above the battle stage, "Even Mu Chen was defeated..."

Behind him, Wu Yingying was clenching her red lips slightly. It seemed she was not very keen on the following fights. Her beautiful eyes looked to the Mirror of Judgement from time to time, as if she were expecting something.

"Forget about it..." Wu Ling smiled wryly and said, "Mu Chen is indeed powerful. This time he fell into Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe's trap. Those two guys are also very powerful. They attacked Mu Chen, who was unguarded, with their carefully planned trick. In this way, Mu Chen's defeat was fairly predictable.

"Moreover, Luo Li is still there. She is not a simple girl. I would be no match for her in a fight. With her here, I'm afraid it won't be easy for Ji Xuan or Xue Tianhe to win the championship."

Wu Yingying nodded listlessly. Wu Ling couldn't help rolling his eyes at her depression. She wasn't so depressed when he was defeated by Xue Tianhe before.

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"Mu Chen..."

In the area of the Million Phoenix Spiritual Academy, Tang Qian'Er was also pale. She couldn't imagine that young man, who never gave up and could always take care of her even if he was younger than she was, could be stopped here.

Although that young man always had a gentle and easy smile, she knew he never ignored his failures, and he could always rise from those failures.

Maybe this time he could still face the failure with a smile. However, she was upset by just thinking about his smile.

"Mu Chen... please do come out!"

The young girl put her hands together and prayed in her heart.

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In the sky, the five Chiefs were also staring at the four figures coming out from the Mirror of Judgement.

Chief Tai Cang sighed slightly in his heart. He thought Mu Chen would be the one coming out at last. This mishap went beyond his expectations. Luckily, the team of the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy was not completely annihilated. At least Luo Li was still there.

"He he, since four contestants have passed the trial, I suppose the battle for the championship could be started, right?" Chief Tian Sheng said and smiled at the other four Chiefs.

Knitting his brows slightly, Chief Tai Cang said, "Chief Tian Sheng, is it necessary to be in such a hurry?"

"He he, I am not in a hurry. After all, the result has been determined. Is Chief Tai Cang still waiting for the emergence of someone?" Chief Tian Sheng smiled a bit and said, "Also, according to the rules, as long as the championship hasn't been determined, anyone who comes out of the Mirror of Judgement is still qualified to strive for the championship."

Chief Tai Cang dropped into silence. Although he knew the possibility that Mu Chen could come out was really low, he was still a little bit reluctant to accept that. After all, this Academy Competition was crucial to the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy. Once the Saint Spiritual Academy won the championship again, it would be given the title of the Top Academy. As the Chief of the Top Academy, Chief Tian Sheng would probably deprive the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy of its title as one of the Five Great Academies because of its poor performance in recent years.

"Then let it get started."

Chief Tai Cang had to nod. He couldn't lodge an objection anymore.

"Chief Tai Cang clearly knows the right thing to do and the principles to follow." Chief Tian Sheng smiled and then he turned to the four figures on the battle stage. His thunderous voice was echoing between heaven and earth again.

"First, congratulations to the four contestants who have walked out of the Mirror of Judgement... You have entered the top four and are qualified to strive for the championship of this Academy Competition."

"Next, in the battle for the championship, there will be no rules. You can fight at will. The one who is standing on the battle stage at last will be the champion!"

Wow!

Uproars burst out from numerous people, who were greatly shocked. They didn't even decide the opponents by drawing lots. Were they going to hold a free-for-all?

On the battle stage, the four people's eyes were flickering slightly.

"The announcement is finished. Next, let's start the most important event of this Academy Competition – the battle for champion!"

The words were hardly out of Chief Tian Sheng's mouth when all the onlookers sensed that the atmosphere on the battle stage became abruptly nervous.

Widening their eyes, all onlookers were curious how this battle for the championship would be started.

Stared at by numerous people, Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe made eye contact and smiled at each other in the air. Both of them disappeared from the place where they were and appeared on the vast battle stage.

Focusing his eyes on the silver-haired young girl who was as cold as snow, Xue Tianhe smiled. His eyes were full of viciousness.

"Xue Tianhe from the Blood Spiritual Academy hereby challenges the Northern Heaven Spiritual Academy!"

On the other side, Ji Xuan also smiled slightly and said in a clear voice, "Ji Xuan from the Saint Spiritual Academy hereby challenges the Million Phoenix Spiritual Academy!"

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Chapter 617 – Luo Li battles Xue Tianhe

"Blood God Academy – Xue Tianhe seeks the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy's guidance."

"Saint Spiritual Academy – Ji Xuan seeks the guidance of the Myriad Phoenix Spiritual Academy!"

When the two's voices rang out from the vast Golden Battle Stage, a commotion broke out in this region as innumerable people were startled in their hearts as the scene before them clearly showed that Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe had formed an alliance.

Ji Xuan VS Wen Qingxuan

Xue Tianhe VS Luo Li

The battle formation caused excitement to fill the eyes of everyone as their blood flow increased as well. Right before their eyes, those four were all noble phoenixes and dragons among men.

"Senior Sister Wen Qingxuan, go for it! Defeat Ji Xuan!"

"Luo Li go for it, our entire Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy supports you!"

"Two beauties, go for it! We of the Nine Ridge Spiritual Academy supports the both of you!"

"Our Spring Spiritual Academy as well!"

"..."

An earth-shattering amount of cheers rang out between the heavens and earth. Truth be told, the popularity of Luo Li and Wen Qingxuan far surpassed Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe. After all, there were so many Spiritual Academies here, and aside from the Saint Spiritual Academy and a small number of people supporting the other two, the cheers were basically one-sided for the other party.

Clearly, compared to Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe, it undoubtedly felt better for them to support the two pleasing girls.

Ji Xuan and Xue Tianhe lightly smiled in this situation as they weren't too surprised by the fact that Luo Li and Wen Qingxuan were more popular than them.

However, the Battle of the Champion was not a competition to compete for popularity.

Luo Li and Wen Qingxuan exchanged a glance in midair as they both nodded and their silhouettes moved, separately moving towards the Golden Battle Stage of Xue Tianhe and Ji Xuan.

The two graceful girls stood tall, with one wielding a golden war spear and the other wearing a long sword, their fine hair fluttered in the wind as they looked extremely gorgeous. The appearance of those two made many others hold their breath. After that, a supportive cheer that was even more startling rang out.

Under the cheers, Luo Li was staring at the blood-coloured robed figure before her with a little chill in her crystal-clear pupils, pointing the Luo God Sword in her hand towards the ground as faint killing intent was emitting from her usual calm expression.

"Haha, seems like your killing intent is pretty big towards me." Xue Tianhe also noticed the killing intent that was being emitted from Luo Li's body as he spoke with an indifferent smile, while his eyes narrowed.

"Since you have the time to come out from the Blood God Clan, then forget about going back." Luo Li's pupils stared at Xue Tianhe as she spoke.

"Truly worthy of being the next Empress of the Luo God Clan, that's some tone you got there." A cold sneer lifted Xue Tianhe's lips as he continued, "Actually, I have a similar intention as well. If I'm able to capture you and bring you back to the Blood God Clan, I believe that the Luo God Clan can only serve us, the Blood God Clan, as their masters."

Luo Li's crystal-clear pupils were like isolated lakes, without the faintest ripples. She quietly looked at Xue Tianhe and narrowed her eyes.

Buzz!

The instant she narrowed her eyes, the Luo God Sword in her hands exploded with sky-shaking sword cries as vast Sword Aura spread out, as if it had engulfed the entire heavens and earth.

Creak. Creak.

Cracks and marks appeared on the Golden Battle Stage that was extremely firm, which was caused by the Sword Aura that filled the heavens and earth.

Luo Li slightly lifted her hand, pointing the tip of the Luo God Sword towards Xue Tianhe. There were faint distortions in the air, as if it was not able to endure the sharpness of her Sword Aura.

Fixing his gaze on the piercingly sharp Sword Aura emitted from the longsword in Luo Li's hand, Xue Tianhe felt stinging pain on his skin, even with such a huge amount of distance between them.

As the Prince of the Blood God Clan, Xue Tianhe naturally knew how formidable the Luo God Sword was, it was the murderous weapon of the Luo God Clan. Back then, when Luo Li's father wielded the sword, god-knows how many Sovereigns of the Blood God Clan had fallen under that sword.

"Although this Divine Artifact is formidable, I doubt that you are able to unleash all of its power with your current strength, right?" Xue Tianhe coldly smiled.

Facing his cold smile, there weren't any answers coming from Luo Li. Her narrowed, charming eyes widened in an instant with her hand forming sword seals, stabbing her Luo God Sword forth.

Buzz!

Her stab might seem light, but the impetus behind it made countless people astonished as they saw the piercing Sword Aura that filled the heavens and earth converged at this instant as it stabbed out along with the Luo God Sword, turning into a sword image with the size of roughly a hundred feet. With a rustling noise, it tore through space and appeared before Xue Tianhe.

Along with the appearance of that sword image, deep cracks appeared on the ground. The surface of the cracks was as smooth as a mirror, instilling fear in those that saw it.

Seeing the sword image stabbing towards him, Xue Tianhe's eyes were filled with graveness. Although he didn't mention it, he was filled with fear for Luo Li in his heart.

In the current generation of the Luo God Clan, this girl was a person that would be shouldering all responsibilities in the future. At that time, she would become the absolute supreme Empress of the Luo God Clan.

Even if he could look at Mu Chen with disdain, he definitely did not dare to belittle the Luo Li that was right before him.

"Spiritual Blood Wall!"

Xue Tianhe's feet tapped on the ground as his figure flew out, rapidly forming seals at lightning speed as he pushed his palm downwards against the empty space of the ground.

Boom!

The scarlet-red Spiritual Energy was like a tidal wave as it soared into the sky from the ground, turning into a colossal light screen that was a thousand feet in size.

Rustle!

The instant the blood-coloured light wall was formed, the piercing sword image was already within reach, and heavily slammed against the wall.

Boom!

Ripples that were visible to the naked-eyes were seen spreading out, causing explosions in the surrounding space as the aura rolled in waves.

Crack!

Clear cracks were seen rapidly spreading throughout the Spiritual Energy wall as a clear crisp noise was heard. The sword image had already pierced through the powerful Spiritual Energy wall, heavily slamming against Xue Tianhe's silhouette, which was unable to dodge in time.

Boom!

Xue Tianhe's figure was sent flying away as he made a hundred foot mark on the ground with both of his feet, before he could stabilise himself. His arm was postured in a cross before him, scarlet-red in colour, similar to heated metals, as peculiar violent energy was emitted from both arms.

Drip.

On his scarlet red arms, a deep sword mark was present as fresh blood dripped down.

The confrontation between the two was only an instant, but the astonishing power that exploded between their counters made every student feel their scalps turn numb. They could sense that even a Third Grade Spirit Disaster would have a hard time resisting that move from Luo Li.

Just a single sword move was already so formidable.

The supportive sheers that resonated between the heavens and earth froze in an instant as many experts felt a chill down their spines as they sensed how sharp and powerful Luo Li's attack was.

Amongst the four in the Battle Stage, Luo Li possessed the lowest fame compared to the rest. After all, Mu Chen had been the one leading their team and even in the Battle of the Best 8, Luo Li easily defeated her opponent; thus, not many people were well-aware that despite having a gorgeous appearance and being low-profile, she possessed such terrifying strength.

When Mu Chen was around, she would naturally suppress her sharpness and become quiet. But the instant Mu Chen wasn't around, she was similar to the Luo God Sword in her hand; breaking her seal and unleashing her sharpness that soared in the skies, simply unstoppable.

Right now, Luo Li was unleashing her sharpened cutting edge.

She was like a blooming twilight flower.

"Truly expected of the Luo God Sword..."

Xue Tianhe looked at the blood-dripping sword wound on his arm as his expression was terrifyingly dark. Shortly after, he stared at Luo Li and revealed an eerie smile, "But, I have done my preparations to deal with you!"

As he finished his speech, his hand slowly smeared across the sword wound. The scarlet-red on both of his arms became darker, and vaguely, blood-coloured flames were oozing from his arm. Under the burning blood-coloured flames, the sword wound was actually healing at a rapid speed.

After the appearance of the bizarre blood-coloured flames, blood-red ancient runes actually appeared on both of his arms. With the appearance of those runes, Xue Tianhe's arms swelled up a size with veins wiggling like earthworms, unleashing a dreadful power that instantly exploded.

At this instant, not only did his arms look more robust, they looked longer as well. His palms looked as sharp as the palms of a beast, completely unhuman-like.

Boom!

Xue Tianhe revealed a savage smile as his palm slapped the ground. The scene made everyone dumbfounded as cracks appeared on the extremely firm Golden Battle Stage. The cracks exploded as they extended towards Luo Li.

Luo Li narrowed her eyes as she drove her Luo God Sword into the ground, Sword Aura exploded from the ground as it stopped the cracks and gold-coloured rocks flew out at the same time.

She raised her head and looked at Xue Tianhe's arm with a little astonishment. She lightly raised her brows and faintly said, "This must be the Low Rank Divine Artifact of your Blood God Clan, the Blood Demon Arms, right?"

Xue Tianhe did seem to have the knack for it. Judging from the power, he had probably fused the Blood Demon Arms into his own, thus allowing him to fully unleash its power.

"Although the Luo God Sword is powerful, you still can't fully control it. So today..."

The smile hanging on Xue Tianhe's lips became even more savage and eerie.

"I will use these Blood Demon Arms to thoroughly defeat you, the future Empress of the Luo God Clan!"

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Chapter 618 – Wen Qingxuan's Trump Card

The other Battle Stage was rather calm and quiet compared to the Battle Stage that Luo Li and Xue Tianhe were fighting on, with violent Spiritual Energy soaring into the sky.

Wen Qingxuan held onto her golden warspear as her armour wrapped around her exquisite and voluptuous figure, outlining her attractive curves. Her gaze was staring at the Battle Stage of Luo Li and Xue Tianhe, her gaze was a little heavy as she sensed the fearsome Spiritual Energy exploding from their confrontation. Xue Tianhe truly was not someone to be trifled with as he was able to fight with Luo Li to this point...

"Haha, looks like you are pretty concerned about the battle over there." Ji Xuan stood with his hands behind his back as he watched the battle on the other stage as well and smiled at Wen Qingxuan.

Wen Qingxuan indolently shifted her gaze to Ji Xuan as she smiled, "What? Ji Xuan, you're not going to fight?"

"I don't have any grudges with you. If we were to fight now, we would definitely suffer injuries. Thus, I suggest for us to wait for their results." Ji Xuan smiled.

“You’re worried about over-exhausting your strength, and it doesn’t matter which one of them will win as you will still face a little trouble in the end, right?” A mocking arc rose on Wen Qingxuan’s lips as she replied.

Ji Xuan was slightly stunned before having a smile, “At least this way, your chances will also be higher.”

“What a loathsome fellow, no wonder Luo Li doesn’t like you.” Wen Qingxuan spoke indifferently, “It doesn’t matter how scheming you are, compared to Mu Chen, you’re inferior.”

Hearing her words, Ji Xuan knitted his brows as he spoke, “In the Spiritual Road, Mu Chen fell in my hands, and this time in the Great Spiritual Academy Tournament as well, even he doesn’t have the qualifications to even fight with me. You tell me, how am I inferior compared to that loser?”

“You should be well-aware of how you won the two times.” Wen Qingxuan sneered.

“The results are more important, in this world, the losers do not have any qualifications to give any excuses.” Ji Xuan said indifferently.

“What a thick face you have.”

Wen Qingxuan raised the golden warspear in her hand as she pointed it towards Ji Xuan. A smear of frost appeared on her face, “In the Elimination Round, you dared to use me to lure Mu Chen out and now, I will claim your debts!”

Boom!

When Wen Qingxuan’s cold voice fell, an astonishing Spiritual Energy fluctuation spread out. Judging from the strength, she had gone through her Third Grade Spirit Disaster.

“Seems like you do not agree to my suggestion.” Ji Xuan faintly spoke out.

Rustle!

Wen Qingxuan’s reply was a brilliant spear ray that streaked across the horizon. In just an instant, it had already appeared before Ji Xuan.

Looking at the swift spear ray, Ji Xuan jolted his body, but there weren’t any signs of dodging, he stood his ground as he allowed that spear ray pierce his throat under the gasps of surprise that filled the sky.

However, there wasn’t any blood as the spear pierced through, whereas Ji Xuan’s figure slowly disappeared.

“An afterimage?”

An exclamation resounded from the eyes of the one that spoke had their eyes slightly trembled. Ji Xuan’s speed was actually so fast, and they had never noticed him moving. Clearly, Ji Xuan’s speed exceeded the speed their eyes could follow.

“Up in the sky!”

Very quickly, someone spoke out as they raised their head. Midair, above the Golden Battle Stage, Ji Xuan stood with his hands behind his back, allowing the wind to flutter his white robes as he looked extremely elegant with his posture.

The spear ray landed a miss, but Wen Qingxuan wasn't surprised as she knew that it was impossible for an attack of this level to do anything to Ji Xuan. Thus, she extended her jade-like hands and started to form seals.

A crisp cry suddenly rang out between the heavens and earth as a pair of golden wings appeared behind Wen Qingxuan. The wings that had expanded at this instant were huge, with a size of approximately ten feet, and they looked as if they were made of gold, being extremely radiant.

Rustle!

Wen Qingxuan's wings flapped as they blew up a violent gale, her silhouette disappeared from within the gale at almost an instant.

Up in the sky, Ji Xuan's pupils abruptly shrank, and before he could move, a violent gale blew from his back as a golden light spread out. Wen Qingxuan had directly appeared behind him.

"I'll see how swift your speed truly is!" Wen Qingxuan's cold voice resounded, and at the same time, the golden warspear in her hand had already turned into a ray of light as she thrust it forth.

Rustle!

Ji Xuan's gaze was cold as he formed seals with one hand and his figure jolted.

The spear ray pierced through, but it was another after image.

Ji Xuan's figure appeared in the sky a thousand meters away. But the instant he reappeared, another spear ray was thrust towards him.

Rustle! Rustle!

Up in the sky, the two figures were like ghosts as their locations constantly changed every single time the image was pierced through. The scene made everyone feel dumbfounded. They couldn't even sense the movement of those two and could only catch their figures when they attacked.

Their speeds were simply like ghosts.

Facing with the speed of those two, even Wu Ling and the rest of the pinnacle experts had a heavy expression on their faces as they knew that if it was them, they could only stand still and suffer their attacks, be it from Ji Xuan or Wen Qingxuan.

Although there wasn't a huge commotion from their confrontation, the fearsome speed that they unleashed was extremely startling.

Rustle!

Ji Xuan's figure appeared at another location again, but this time, his face was a little dark. Speed had always been his forté and now, he realised that despite pushing his speed to the limits, he still couldn't shake Wen Qingxuan off.

The latter's speed wasn't any inferior to his own.

Whoosh!

Golden spear light chased and was thrust out again in an extremely tricky angle.

"Hmph!"

A cold snort came from Ji Xuan as he abruptly clenched his fist, a long spear appeared in a flash as he thrust it out as well. The tip of the two spears collided as a metallic ringing sound resonated. An astonishing wave of aura swept out, as if it was lifting a hurricane.

Facing Wen Qingxuan, who possessed swift speed as well, Ji Xuan could only give up on the idea of using his absolute speed to suppress her.

A hurricane swept out as the two figures fell back.

Wen Qingxuan gripped her golden war spear as her phoenix-like eyes looked at Ji Xuan and coldly smiled, "You've finally given up running?"

Ji Xuan's face was as solemn as the water as he did not reply. Torrential sacred Spiritual Energy rapidly gathered behind him, and in an instant, it had formed into a huge sacred sun behind him

It was the technique that he used against Wen Busheng.

However, Ji Xuan clearly placed Wen Qingxuan at a higher level that surpassed Wen Busheng. Thus, his hand seals changed again, and above the sacred light, another brilliant light gathered once again and after that, another two sacred suns rapidly formed!

Three sacred suns!

The three sacred suns hovered behind Ji Xuan, and that formation made countless others feel their scalps numbing from the sight of it. So when he was fighting with Wen Busheng, Ji Xuan had actually concealed so much of his strength, that fellow truly was deep and unmeasurable.

"Go!"

Ji Xuan did not speak any nonsense as he flicked his finger, the three sacred suns soared into the sky and were positioned in a straight line, engulfing Wen Qingxuan as they descended.

Under the dreadful suns, the impacts instantly created spiderwebs of cracks on the Golden Battle Stage below.

Wen Qingxuan lightly raised her head, the reflection of the suns was rapidly expanding in her eyes. However, she didn't have any fear as her pupils were still filled with cold pride.

Facing such a fearsome attack from Ji Xuan, she actually had no intentions of dodging.

Boom! Boom!

The three sacred suns ferociously fell down as the brilliant light spread out, covering the entire heavens and earth in divine light. The piercing light from them made innumerable others feel a stinging pain in their eyes and could not open them.

The violent sacred light wreaked havoc in the sky for a long time, before it gradually dissipated.

Many people stared in that direction as they were curious about whether Wen Qingxuan was able to escape from Ji Xuan's dreadful attacks in that situation.

As the sacred light gradually dissipated, the sky became clear again and after that... innumerable people had their eyes suddenly widen as the noise of inhaling cold air resounded.

At the same time, Ji Xuan abruptly narrowed his eyes.

Far in the sky, covered by golden light, a colossal golden phoenix was slowly expanding its wings in the golden light. The body was covered in golden light, as if it was forged from gold. It possessed a perfect posture, every single inch of it was oozing with pride and nobility, as if it was the sovereign of all lives.

"That's..."

Up in midair, even some Deans had their facial expressions changed as they muttered, "That's... the Sacred Golden Phoenix?"

The Sacred Golden Phoenix, Rank 6 of the Myriad Beast Record's Earth Ranking.

Rumours state that it was a beast that possessed the genuine bloodline of a Phoenix. An existence that was comparable to a Heavenly Sovereign upon reaching the late stage of cultivation.

No one could have expected that Wen Qingxuan had refined a Sacred Golden Phoenix's Soul Essence!

This trump card of hers was sufficient to shock anyone.

Up in the sky, the Sacred Golden Phoenix was flapping its golden wings that had golden light flowing on it. On its colossal figure, there was a slender silhouette standing there with a spear held in her hand, there was also golden light flowing in her gorgeous phoenix-like eyes as she stood on the golden phoenix. Her head was slightly lifted up with pride, revealing her snow-white and elegant neckline. After that, she extended her jade-like hand out as she undid the bundle of her hair. Instantly, her hair was like a waterfall as it draped down, that moment of demeanour made even the heavens and earth light up.

At this moment, Wen Qingxuan was exceptionally stunning.

Ji Xuan also fixed his gaze on Wen Qingxuan, who was standing on top of a Sacred Golden Phoenix and slowly clenched his fist. This opponent of his was even harder to handle than he had expected.

Wen Qingxuan's phoenix-like eyes were also looking at him from far away. The golden war spear was pointed in a slanted position as a clear and crisp sound rang out between the heavens and earth.

"Ji Xuan, bring out the Primordial Skydragon Hawk of yours. Otherwise, you won't stand a chance."

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Chapter 619 – True form of the Luo God Sword

"Blood Demon Arms..."

Luo Li's gaze was a little cold as she stared at Xue Tianhe. At this moment, both of the latter's arms were surging with a bloody aura as the veins looked like earthworms wiggling in his arms. The piercing sharpness of them was like a blade, emitting a cold piercing aura that could even slice the earth apart.

Luo Li had heard of the Blood Demon Arms, it was said that there was a treasure in the Blood God Clan, the Blood God Arms. It was said that this Divine Artifact surpassed High Rank, possessing absolute destructive powers. Its powers were comparable to the unsealed Luo God Sword, and back then, her father was heavily injured by the Blood God Clan's Patriarch using the Blood God Arms, destroying his Sovereign Sea and, thus, fell to it.

As for the Blood Demon Arms, it was a counterfeit of the Blood God Arms. However, despite being a counterfeit, it possessed formidable power as well, reaching the level of a Low Rank Divine Artifact.

Faint killing intent was emitted from Luo Li's eyes.

"Haha, looks like you hate these Blood Demon Arms very much." Seeing Luo Li's face turn cold, Xue Tianhe smiled as he continued, "Was it because your father died by the Blood God Arms of our clan?"

"Good then, since your father died under the Blood God Arms, I will use these Blood Demon Arms today to defeat you, truly fitting for a pair of father and daughter." Xue Tianhe licked his scarlet lips as his smile became increasingly savage.

Boom!

After Xue Tianhe spoke, his gaze turned extremely vicious as he stomped his feet, causing cracks on the ground and his figure swiftly appeared before Luo Li as he threw a punch out.

Boom!

Along with Xue Tianhe's fist, blood light spread out and instantly exploded the space in front of it, there were even faint distortions in the space. The power behind it was terrifyingly violent.

Luo Li's expression was cold as she gripped her sword with one hand and the other supporting the end of the sword as she positioned the sword to block before her.

Ding!

The bloody fist heavily slammed against the sword blade, causing a metallic ringing sound to resonate. The ground beneath the two crumbled in an instant as a tidal wave of aura that was visible to the naked-eyes swept out.

Whoosh!

Luo Li's slender silhouette flew out as she pulled with her hand. The sword edge flickered as a sword aura converged and formed into a sword lotus as she thrust it forth, sending it towards the direction of Xue Tianhe.

"Hmph."

However, facing the astonishingly sharp sword lotus, Xue Tianhe issued a cold snort as he maintained his extended punch. After activating the Blood Demon Arms, the toughness of his arms was comparable to

a Divine Artifact. Even Mu Chen, with his Septa Rune Lightning Physique, might not gain any advantage from facing him.

Boom!

The bloody fist heavily slammed against the sword lotus as the blood light exploded, shattering the lotus with a fist.

Sword Aura gushed out as it clashed against Xue Tianhe's body, which was protected by his boundless Spiritual Energy. The violent gale of his fist was directed towards the direction of Luo Li from every direction.

Boom! Boom!

The scarlet blood fists brought along a ferocious aura as it whistled across the horizon. Every single fist contained extremely violent Spiritual Energy fluctuation. Xue Tianhe had already undergone his Third Grade Spirit Disaster and by borrowing the power of the Blood Demon Arms, his attacks made the faces of people like Wu Ling to drastically change as he knew that if Xue Tianhe had utilised such a trump card during their confrontation, he would probably lose in an instant.

Rustle!

Facing the whistling scarlet fists, Luo Li's figure did not retreat. As the Sword Aura swept out, the sharpness of it was even able to cut through space.

However, comparing the two, Xue Tianhe clearly held the advantage. After all, the Blood Demon Arms had fully fused with his arms, whereas Luo Li's Luo God Sword had layers of seals on it.

All the students of the Northern Heavens Spiritual Academy revealed nervous expressions on their faces as they saw Luo Li being constantly pushed back, their palms were sweaty. After all, the talent revealed by Xue Tianhe was simply too fearsome.

Xue Tianhe's eyes were blood-red at this point in time as his face was exceptionally savage as well. The Blood Demon Arms were extremely violent, and thus, when he integrated it into his own body, it had affected his personality as well. The instant he used the Blood Demon Arms, he would become extremely violent and bloodthirsty. However, he wasn't resisting it. On the contrary, he seemed to be enjoying it.

"Haha, Luo Li, is that all your strength? Looks like your Luo God Clan really has nobody. Since that's the case, I suggest for your clan to submit to our Blood God Clan while there's still time. Otherwise, when we invade, we will unleash a total massacre!"

Xue Tianhe revealed a savage smile as his fist became increasingly more violent. Under the slamming of the numerous scarlet blood fists, Luo Li's slender silhouette was like a small boat in the vast ocean as she swayed about.

Poof.

Another piercing sword swept down as it sliced a blood fist apart. Luo Li's charming face was a little cold as she looked at Xue Tianhe, who had gone into a frenzy as the corner of her lips rose, revealing an arc with murderous intent.

“Since you wish to witness my true strength, I’ll show it to you, then! After all, I have to fulfil a dead man’s wish!”

An ice-cold light appeared within Luo Li’s crystal-clear eyes as she swiftly extended her slim hand out as she smeared some on the Luo God Sword.

Fresh blood spreads out on the Luo God Sword in an instant and with the pervade of the blood, ancient and profound runes began to appear on the Luo God Sword.

Those runes were like chains as it bound the Luo God Sword, but at this instant, those chains gradually melt under the red blood.

As the runes were melting, an azure light soared into the sky all of a sudden.

At the same time, a dreadful sword intent engulfed this heaven and earth.

Poof! Poof!

Those blood-red fists that were flying in her direction were sliced apart despite having a distance of few dozen feet. The surface of the cut was as smooth as a mirror, turning into sparkles of light that filled the skies.

Up in midair, the various Deans had their facial expression slightly changed as they felt a gush of powerful sword intent that was even astonishing for them.

The Five Great Deans shifted their eyes as they looked at the direction where the sword intent was coming from.

The savage expression on Xue Tianhe froze for an instant, he fixed his eyes at the azure ray of light as a feeling of unease rose in his heart.

Dreadful sword intent engulfed the heaven and earth. As the azure light slowly fades, everyone abruptly narrowed their eyes in an instant.

Up in the sky where Luo Li was, there was a heavy azure sword that was less than a feet in length hovering before her. That sword was azure in colour as it seemed to be forged from ice, it was translucent, and through the sword blade, there was a section that seemed like ice bone. That ice bone was filled with ferocious spikes, and the spikes seem to be extended to the edge of the sword...

That heavy sword was roughly the size of Luo Li’s height, and the sword blade was wide. Standing before it, Luo Li seemed even more petite and exquisite in comparison. It was quietly floating before Luo Li, and the sword blade was the origin for the sword intent that filled the skies.

Xue Tianhe’s expression was gloomy as he looked at the heavy azure sword with a smear of deep fear present in his eyes. He clenched his teeth as he spoke in an eerie tone, “You actually released the full form of the Luo God Sword. Based with that strength of yours, you can control it?”

That sword can be considered as a nightmare for the Blood God Clan. In the past hundred years, god knows how many Sovereign Realm experts died from the sword.

Although the Luo God Sword's might was dreadful, it wasn't something that anyone can control it, so much so that without its acknowledgement, not even a Sovereign Realm expert would touch it easily.

The main reason why Xue Tianhe wasn't afraid of Luo Li earlier on was that he knew that Luo Li still couldn't unleash the true form of the Luo God Sword.

However, it was completely different from what he had expected.

Luo Li's crystal clear eyes glanced at Xue Tianhe as he slowly extended her slim hand out and grabbed onto the heavy azure sword that seems as though it was forged from ice.

Buzz! Buzz!

The moment Luo Li placed her hand on it, the Luo God Sword violently trembled as crisp sword cries burst out.

As the Luo God Sword trembled, Luo Li maintained a calm expression as she gripped tight on the sword handle, her delicate palm was pierced from the sword intent emitting from the sword blade as fresh blood flowed.

As the fresh blood fell onto the sword, it was being absorbed into the azure sword blade.

An extremely sharp sword intent seemed as though her wrist was about to be chopped off but Luo Li still maintained a calm expression as she stubbornly and unwaveringly held onto the sword handle, refusing to let go.

Buzzing sword cries lasted for a long while to the point that fresh blood nearly covered the entire sword blade before stopping.

Because of the intense blood loss, her rosy lips were a little pale, but at this moment, her lips rose as she immediately raised her head and looked at Xue Tianhe, whose face was extremely unsightly at this moment with indifference.

"Now, I'll let you experience the true Luo God Sword."

When Luo Li finished her speech with dense chill contained in her tone, her figure abruptly burst out, and in a near instant, she had already appeared above Xue Tianhe. She held onto her sword as the heavy azure sword slammed down without any fancy moves.

As the Luo God Sword slashed down, cracks appeared in the sky, appearing to be torn by the sword as well. A sword light that was roughly a thousand feet in size as the sword light tore through the horizon as it slashed down relentlessly along with destructive sharpness.

Seeing that, Xue Tianhe's face gradually turned ugly.

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Chapter 620: The Unforeseen

Boom!

A thousand feet sword light descend from the sky, causing faint tears on the space in the path of the sword light. The entire heaven and earth seemed to be engulfed by the piercing sword intent.

Even before the sword light lands, the firm ground was already pierced with thousands of holes.

After utilising the true form of the Luo God Sword, Luo Li's attacks had already reached a terrifying state. Not to mention the students, even several Elders of the various Spiritual Academies had their face changed from the sight of it.

Likewise, Xue Tianhe's face was also unsightly at this moment as his feet dug into the ground by half an inch from the piercing pressure of the sword intent.

Right now, there was no way he could avoid it as the sword light had already locked onto him, sealing the surrounding space from the sword intent.

Clearly, Luo Li had intended to heavily injure him with this strike.

"I refuse to believe that you can truly control the Luo God Sword with your strength!"

Xue Tianhe's face was a little twisted. Although Luo Li could bring out the true form of the Luo God Sword, it doesn't mean that she could fully unleash its power. Otherwise, Xue Tianhe would probably be slaughtered in an instant by now.

Roar!

Xue Tianhe took a step forth he unleashed a roar that sounded like a wild beast from his throat. The blood flow in his scarlet arms surged in an instant as his veins slowly turned red, fresh blood oozed out from his pores. Vaguely, it had already formed into two ferocious faces of demons on his arms...

A peculiar fluctuation spread out along with it.

"Blood Demon Arms - Demon Devours the Sky!"

Xue Tianhe's sharp roar resonated out along with boundless Spiritual Energy, he clenched into a fist as he threw a fist forth.

Boom! Boom!

Sheets of air exploded before him as Xue Tianhe's arms seemed as if there were countless blood-red earthworms wiggling and along with that punch, two colossal bloodthirsty blood light boomed out.

The two blood light shot forth and condensed, swiftly forming into two large demonic mouths that were a few hundred feet in size. The two mouths devoured the Spiritual Energy in this heaven and earth as if they could devour anything.

Whoosh!

Even with the two demonic mouths formed, that sword light was still slashing down without the slightest hesitation.

Rustle!

No one could clearly see the sword light flit across, they only saw a flash of light, and the two horrifying demonic mouths in the sky exploded, causing trembles on the vast Golden Battle Stage beneath as a crack that was roughly a thousand feet swiftly spreads out...

Dust rose as it covered the entire Battle Stage.

Innumerable people directed their gaze over, Luo Li was still standing in midair. Although she was slender and fair, she seemed rather petite in comparison to the Luo God Sword in her hands. However, it was this offbeat contrast that gave her a little different temperament compared to the usual her.

Cold and austere.

Her charming and cold gaze was looking down at the dust. The wind blew as it dispersed the dust and everyone directed their gaze over.

On the stage, a hideous thousand feet ravine was spreading and at the end of the crack in a caved-in spot, Xue Tianhe's figure was seen.

At this moment, his clothes on his upper body were all shredded with both his arms posturing a cross before him, and on his strange Blood Demon Arms, there was a deep sword wound that extends from his fist to his shoulders and bones could be seen from the wound. Fresh blood was like a stream as it flowed down, dying the ground beneath him in red.

Xue Tianhe's face was twisted as he couldn't control the twitching on the corner of his lips as he saw the wounds on his arm. After integrating with the Blood Demon Arms, both of his arms were comparable to Low Rank Divine Artifact, so much so that his arms could be described as indestructible. But right now, there was a deep wound that nearly chopped off his arms.

Furthermore, it was even more terrifying as his wounds were filled with piercing sword intent, it was those penetrating cold sword intent that caused the regeneration ability of the Blood Demon Arms to lose effect...

The Luo God Sword was indeed terrifying.

Xue Tianhe clenched his teeth as a smear of deep fear flashed across his eyes. Luo Li's strength had surpassed his expectation, and although he still had hidden cards under his sleeves, it would still be hard to do anything to Luo Li.

Looks like it wasn't an easy task to defeat Luo Li.

Xue Tianhe's gaze faintly flickered as he took a sweep at the other Battle Stage. Shortly after, his expression turned malevolent all of a sudden as he swiftly made seals with his hands.

Roar!

Along with the swift changes of Xue Tianhe's seals, a violent roar rang out from his body.

Torrential blood light spread out, taking a form of a huge blood-red beast with the size of roughly a thousand feet behind Xue Tianhe. The large beast stood on the ground, covered in blood-red scales, sinister looking red bone spikes protruded from its back, the sharpness of it seems as if it could penetrate through space and last but not least, a pair of scarlet eyes that was filled with violence and brutality.

A gush of ominous aura surged up the skies.

“Xue Tianhe had actually utilised the Demonic Blood Beast’s Soul Essence in his body, looks like he was forced to such miserable extent by Luo Li...” all the students exclaimed up upon witnessing the changes.

Luo Li’s cold gaze was looking at the huge Demonic Blood Beast as the killing intent in her eyes became even denser.

“Blood God Art - Heavenly Trapping Sea!”

Xue Tianhe issued a roar, and as he opened his mouth, fresh blood gushed out, and at the same time, the Demonic Blood Beast also opened its mouth as tidal of fresh blood were like waves as it surged out.

The two gush of fresh blood combined and swiftly expanded in the wind. In a blink of an eye, forming a vast sea of fresh blood in midair, the sea engulfed the heavens and earth with Luo Li in the centre of it.

Boom!

The fresh blood sea rolled violently, forming into a thousand feet scarlet tornado as it trapped Luo Li within it, dreadful power was devastating as it attempts to kill Luo Li.

Boom!

The blood sea violently rolled, creating a world-shaking commotion.

However, just when everyone thought that Xue Tianhe was going to make use of this time to launch his attacks, he suddenly tapped his feet on the ground as he leapt up the Demonic Blood Beast. The blood beast was striding. It's large steps as it retreated out of the colossal Battle Stage in a flash.

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Clear, crisp phoenix cry resonated in the heaven and earth, the golden phoenix was flapping its gorgeous golden wings. Under the shine of sunlight, it was flickering with dazzling lustre, the elegance and majestic made innumerable students look with an envious gaze.

Wen Qingxuan stood proudly above the golden phoenix as the spear in her hand was pointed towards Ji Xuan.

Compared to Wen Qingxuan, Ji Xuan was standing on the air as he looked at the golden phoenix beneath her as his gaze was a little solemn. He wasn’t much surprised, and clearly, he had already expected it.

“Haha, what a great fortune you have to actually be able to refine the Soul Essence of the Sacred Golden Phoenix...” Ji Xuan faintly smiled. Looks like Wen Qingxuan’s background was fairly strong. Otherwise, it was impossible for her to obtain the Soul Essence of a Sacred Golden Phoenix and refine it successfully.

“Likewise.” Wen Qingxuan raised her phoenix eyes as she spoke out in an indifferent tone, “Looks like you do not intend to summon your Primordial Skydragon Hawk out?”

“There’s still no need for it at this point in time.” smiled Ji Xuan.

“Really?” Wen Qingxuan’s eyes grew cold and no longer being modest, the golden war spear in her hands trembled all of a sudden and the golden phoenix also let out a crisp cry as it flapped its wings.

Countless golden feathers soared into a sky and converged, forming into a spear of golden feathers that was roughly a hundred feet.

Whoosh!

The spear of golden feathers thrust out with swift speed, and in an instant, the spear already appeared above Ji Xuan's head.

Rustle!

The long spear in Ji Xuan's hand also exploded with brilliant radiance with boundless Spiritual Energy that swept out in a tidal manner. His spear flashed as he thrust it forth, colliding with the spear of golden feathers swiftly.

Boom!

The crisp metallic sound rang out as the destructive impact sent Ji Xuan flying out.

As his figure flew out, Ji Xuan still maintained a faint smile as his gaze gradually turned ill. Both his hands formed seals in an instant as a terrifying Spiritual Energy ripples burst out from his body.

"Great Sacred Light Art - Pentecost!"

When Ji Xuan's deep roar sounded out, brilliance sacred light appeared as it formed into a thousand feet light illusion above him and that light illusion slammed a palm towards Wen Qingxuan. That palm seemed as if it could crack mountains and calm the sea, containing absolute might.

Clearly, Ji Xuan had resorted to using his finish moves when facing the powerful Wen Qingxuan.

"Hmph"

Wen Qingxuan let out a cold snort as she looked at the light illusion that could instil fear in others, she did not retreat as she lightly stomped her golden war spear. The golden phoenix soared up the skies, a human and phoenix appeared as if they had turned into a radiant golden ray of light as it soared up with indescribable speed and clashed with the light illusion.

Boom!

Heaven and earth violently trembled as sacred and golden light spread out, causing signs of distortion in this horizon.

The Spiritual Energy impact that was unleashed from their clash exploded the heaven and earth.

Boom!

The light illusion and golden phoenix unwavering faced off as two surges of dreadful energy were erasing each other, but clearly, the golden phoenix had the upper hand as the light illusion gradually turned dull from the erosion of the golden light.

Facing the scene, Ji Xuan still maintained an indifferent expression as a smear of chill flashed across his eyes and lightly nodded his head.

In the sky that was filled with sacred and golden light, a redness was suddenly mixed in all of a sudden.

The face of innumerable others drastically changed, especially those girls of the Myriad Phoenix Spiritual Academy, their face was exceptionally unsightly.

Behind the golden phoenix, there was a sudden appearance of blood light as a huge Demonic Blood Demon strode the air as it brandished its fist down ruthlessly along with torrential ominous aura.

A sudden unforeseen event occurred between the battle of the two!