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Chapter 691: Might of the Great Solar Undying Body

Dazzling flames of light surged from that horizon. The torrential bloody light that was in its way was like snow meeting magma and swiftly withered away.

In a few breaths' time, the dark horizon instantly turned bright. In the distant bright sky, there was a colossal figure striding over with a blazing sun behind its head, looking incredibly spectacular.

Countless people were dumbfounded as they watched this scene.

"This is Mu Chen's Sovereign Celestial Body?"

"What Sovereign Celestial Body is this? Judging from the fluctuations that it's giving off, it doesn't seem to be an ordinary Sovereign Celestial Body. But the appearance doesn't look like any of the 99 Rankings of Sovereign Celestial Bodies..."

"Weird..."

Whispers rang out between the heavens and earth with shock and doubt mixed into those voices. Evidently, they had no clue what that mysterious Sovereign Celestial Body before them was.

Up in the sky, the three Emperors similarly had shock and splendour in their eyes as they looked at that mysterious Sovereign Celestial Body.

"This Sovereign Celestial Body doesn't seem to be among the 99 Rankings of Sovereign Celestial Bodies!" Sky Vulture Emperor exclaimed.

Spiritual Pupils Emperor slightly frowned his brows as he faintly said, "Although the 99 Rankings of Sovereign Celestial Bodies is authoritative, the world is vast and wide. There is also some powerful Sovereign Celestial Bodies that aren't amongst the 99 Rankings of Sovereign Celestial Bodies. Furthermore, some talented geniuses are also able to refine a powerful Sovereign Celestial Body with the right opportunity."

Hearing his words, Sleeping Emperor nodded his head as he smiled in a faintly audible voice, "Your words are correct. There are too many miraculous things in the world. The 99 Rankings of Sovereign Celestial Bodies does not represent everything. But even if the Sovereign Celestial Body is powerful, it still has to depend on the user's strength. If the gap is too great, it also could not be complemented through cultivating a powerful Sovereign Celestial Body."

His words paused for a brief moment as he cast a glance at the two Sovereign Celestial Bodies that were facing off and smiled. "But right now, that mysterious Sovereign Celestial Body is sufficient to conclude the result."

Although Mu Chen was only a First Grade Sovereign, his fighting power wasn't any weaker than Cao Feng, who was a Second Grade Sovereign. Right now, the both of them had summoned their Sovereign Celestial Bodies, and with Sleeping Emperor's eyesight, he could naturally tell that Mu Chen had the upper hand.

Sky Vulture Emperor smiled hearing his words, while the Spiritual Pupils Emperor lightly knitted his brows and spoke nothing more. He didn't have much interest regarding a battle of this level. Even if Cao Feng was a subordinate of the Blood Hawk King, if he was that useless, then there's no value in using him. Those that had to be discarded had to be abandoned.

Up in the sky, Cao Feng also had shock in his eyes as he looked at the enormous mysterious figure that was walking over. Torrential waves swept up in his heart and he could feel the blowing pressure.

That pressure was sufficient to indicate that this Sovereign Celestial Body that Mu Chen had refined was more powerful than his Blood Shadow Celestial Body.

"How is that possible...?!"

Cao Feng roared in his heart. He naturally knew how precious a Sovereign Celestial Body of such a level would be. Even he had only obtained the cultivation technique for the Blood Shadow Celestial Body after contributing so much to the Blood Hawk Hall for so many years. But, right now, Mu Chen had actually cultivated a Sovereign Celestial Body that was more powerful than his own!

"It must have been given to him by Nine Nether!" Jealousy blazed in Cao Feng's heart. He had a complicated feeling for Nine Nether, it was adoration and the feeling of inferiority. Back then, when he betrayed the Nine Nether Palace, part of the reason was that he knew that he could not be matched up to Nine Nether, so he wanted to gamble. It was precisely so that when he saw Nine Nether bring someone back to the Nine Nether Palace to replace him, he could not control the raging killing intent in his heart.

He wanted to prove to Nine Nether that he could not be replaced!

"Do you think that you can defeat me with this Sovereign Celestial Body? What a pipe dream!" Killing intent surged like waves in Cao Feng's heart as he ferociously roared and swiftly formed seals with both of his hand.

Boom!

A torrential bloody light violently swept out once again as massive blood pillars of light shot out from the Blood Shadow Celestial Body. They looked to be made from fresh blood.

"Sword of the Blood Shadow - Spiritual Slash!"

The pillars of light that seemed to be drenched in blood violently converged together, forming a sword of blood that's roughly a hundred feet in size. On the giant sword, there was fresh blood dripping down like a stream.

Whoosh!

The giant sword of blood irregularly distorted like a shadow with bizarre cold fluctuations. In the next instant, the blood sword rustled and disappeared.

In the sky far away, space abruptly tore apart behind the Great Solar Undying Body that was formed by Mu Chen and a bloody light that was like a shadow shuttled out. There weren't any ripples coming from it as it slashed towards the head of the Great Solar Undying Body.

Buzz!

However, just when that shadow-like blood sword was about to come in contact with it, a huge hand that was blazing with solar flames stretched forth and grabbed ahold of the blood sword.

Pssk! Pssk!

The colossal hand that was grabbing the blood sword tightened its grip, causing the blood sword to instantly crumble as fresh blood shot out, then instantly dissolved into nothing.

Rustle!

Countless people between the heavens and earth involuntarily went into an uproar because no one expected Cao Feng's bizarre attack to be so easily blocked by Mu Chen.

"That's impossible!"

Cao Feng couldn't help roaring out. His blood sword was refined from the blood of many experts and Spiritual Beasts. It was substantial and wasn't inferior to an ordinary Divine Artifact. But, right now, it was actually destroyed by the hand of Mu Chen's Sovereign Celestial Body.

Flames of light surged in the eyes of the Great Solar Undying Body that was formed by Mu Chen. It was filled with indifference. The gaze that he used to look at Cao Feng was like a deity looking at an ant from high above.

It was when he truly utilised the Great Solar Undying Body that he realised that there was a sharp increase in the power within his body. The level of it had far surpassed Cao Feng's at this moment.

The Great Solar Undying Body was the foundation Sovereign Celestial Body for the Primordial Immortal Body. It wasn't something that ordinary people could understand about how fearful it was.

Boom!

Mu Chen's gaze maintained it's indifference as he clenched his fist and threw a fist forth. Light blossomed as a fist print that was similar to that of a blazing sun whistled out, piercing through space in a flash and appeared before Cao Feng as he ruthlessly thrust it out.

Facing the swift attack, Cao Feng could only cross his arms before him to guard himself. After that, he felt a dreadful energy exploding from his arms.

Boom!

A heavy noise resounded in the horizon as the massive Blood Shadow Celestial Body was sent back. Every single step would leave a deep footprint on the ground below.

Boom!

The Blood Shadow Celestial Body suddenly stomped on the ground, causing the earth to crack before he could stabilise his figure. Cao Feng's eyes had already been filled with rage and savagery. Him being beaten back, again and again had raised the killing intent in his heart to the limit.

"I must definitely kill him!"

Cao Feng howled in his heart because he couldn't accept losing by Mu Chen's hands. He had chased after this strength for years. It was so much so that he was willing to betray others. If he were to fail here, wouldn't that mean that his efforts for all these years were for nothing?

Thus, he must definitely kill Mu Chen!

Cao Feng's eyes grew blood-red as he raised both of his arms high up. The scarlet Spiritual Energy was like a tidal wave as it surged forth from his palms. This time, there was real blood mixed into that Spiritual Energy.

This was the blood belonging to Cao Feng.

Rustle!

The thick rustling of water resounded as a blood-red sphere that was roughly a hundred feet in size swiftly formed on the palms of the Blood Shadow Celestial Body. The surface of the blood sphere was continually wriggling with bloody spikes extending out and shrinking back in.

A fearful, violent fluctuation quietly spread out in this region.

On the Greatlaw Goldstage, Xu Qing and Zhou Yue had grave expressions at this moment. When the blood sphere was in Cao Feng's hands, they couldn't help changing their expressions.

"That fellow is insane!"

They involuntarily cursed out as they naturally sensed that Cao Feng had extracted all the blood in his body. Clearly, he truly intended to kill, to kill Mu Chen once and for all!

But even if he won, he would require at least half a year of slowly recovery for paying such a huge price.

In the direction of the Nine Nether Palace, Tang Bing and Tang Rou had clenched their fists with nervousness covering their faces. As for Nine Nether, her brows gently knitted since she had belittled the killing intent Cao Feng had for Mu Chen.

She lightly stretched her body straight and was waiting with her power gathered. If Mu Chen encountered danger, she would definitely take action.

"Sphere of the Demonic Blood!"

Cao Feng roared with a violent rage as the torrential blood light exploded. That massive sphere of blood had turned into a red streak of light as it swiftly made its way towards Mu Chen.

As the red ball travelled, it caused cracks in space. There were even deep cracks being torn on the earth below.

Mu Chen looked at the ball of demonic blood that was swiftly coming in his direction. Facing such an astonishing attack, he did not choose to dodge. Instead, he clasped both of his hands together.

"Then, I'll let you experience the true power of the Great Solar Undying Body."

Murmurs resounded from within Mu Chen's heart as his gaze turned sharp shortly after with endless light shooting out from his palms. In the centre of his palms, there was a blazing sun that could be vaguely seen.

"Palm of Great Solar!"

A deep voice rang from within Mu Chen's heart, and the palms that contained the blazing sun slapped out. It had directly penetrated through space as it slammed against the light ball that held all of the blood in Cao Feng's body without any fear.

Boom!

The two clashed together as light instantly enveloped the heavens and earth. But countless people had their eyes widened at this moment.

Which of them was stronger in this fight with their lives on the line?

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Chapter 692: Swift Destruction

Boom!

The terrifying collision exploded in the air as the endless solar light and scarlet-red light took half the horizon each. The two ferocious Spiritual Energies violently clashed in an attempt to cancel the other party out.

Space continually cracked at the point of collision. This confrontation made the gazes of countless others look on with grave expressions. Even the heads of other forces under the Great Havenlaw Domain had their expressions changed after looking at this scene.

Everyone had their attention focused on the collision and knew that this clash should determine the winner.

In the Nine Nether Palace, Tang Bing and Tang Rou had their beautiful eyes widened with their fists clenched to the point that they were a little pale. Things had already reached this far, they were just a step away from victory. If he failed, it would make others feel that it was a great pity.

Tang Rou unceasingly prayed in a soft voice. Tang Bing was biting her red lips and did not blink her eyes.

Under the countless amounts of attention, the horrifying clash was still in a deadlock. When Cao Feng saw this situation, his face grew even more ugly.

He had already fought to such an extent, and he still couldn't defeat Mu Chen in a single blow.

"This bastard!"

Cao Feng's eyes were red, like a gambler that had bet everything. He viciously stared at Mu Chen as he abruptly stomped his feet once again, pouring all the Spiritual Energy within his body without reservation. Along with that was the remaining blood in his body.

If one could see his figure within the Sovereign Celestial Body, they would realise that Cao Feng was no different from a corpse and looked extremely terrifying.

Boom!

Affected by Cao Feng's counterattack with all he had, the scarlet light instantly grew. In an instant, even the light showed faint signs of being suppressed.

Everyone between the heavens and earth cried out in surprise.

Behind the endless light, the Great Solar Undying Body that was formed by Mu Chen was looking at Cao Feng's retaliation without any ripples in his eyes, then built seals with both of his hands shortly after.

Boom!

Within the light palms, the sun seemed to have expanded as a brilliant light swept out. The solar flames on the palm soared in an instant.

"Great Solar Exterminating Demon!"

Mu Chen's deep voice rang out in this horizon as the palms that contained the blazing sun whistled down with the flames expanding. The torrential bloody light that had sharply increased was instantly burnt by the solar flames in the blink of an eye.

The solar palms slammed down as they grabbed the blood-red light ball that had the blood of Cao Feng and abruptly clenched.

Bang!

A shattering noise resounded as that blood ball was directly destroyed by Mu Chen. Before the violent energy in it explode, the solar flames had already swept out and burnt it until nothing remained.

Up in the sky, the bloody light was instantly erased.

Dense fear surged from Cao Feng's eyes as the Blood Shadow Celestial Body that was swiftly dulling down turned around and fled. He had already understood the fact that the current him could not defeat Mu Chen.

Mu Chen's gaze was indifferent as he looked at Cao Feng's escaping figure. He waved his sleeve. A light palm penetrated through space and fell onto the Blood Shadow Celestial Body.

Boom!

A heart-alarming noise rang out as the Blood Shadow Celestial Body that was formed by Cao Feng instantly exploded, turning into bloody rain as it fell down and dyed the ground in red.

When the bloody rain fell, a dull scarlet light frantically shuttled out.

A chill flashed across Mu Chen's eyes as the light palm ruthlessly slapped out, making a grab for that dulled bloody light. Clearly, he wasn't going to let Cao Feng off so easily.

The bloody light that was formed by Cao Feng was inferior to Mu Chen in regards to speed with his current state of heavy injuries. Thus, in the blink of an eye, that light palm had already appeared above him and mercilessly slammed down.

Dense fear instantly surged from Cao Feng's eyes.

Everyone's hearts jolted at this sight. Although the age of this new Domain Lord of the Nine Nether Palace was young, his methods were somewhat ruthless. Judging from the looks now, he was clearly trying to hit a dog while it's down.

"Stop!"

Just when Mu Chen's light palm was about to hit Cao Feng, in the direction of the Blood Hawk Hall, the Blood Hawk King, who was paying attention to the fight, roared out with a dark expression.

Hearing his roar, Mu Chen paid no attention and increased his speed instead.

"Impudent!"

The Blood Hawk King's face was thoroughly darkened. Although Cao Feng had disappointed him so much, he was still someone from the Blood Hawk Hall, after all. If he was crippled by Mu Chen before he, the Blood Hawk King, it would be equivalent to slapping the face of his Blood Hawk Hall. It was something that he absolutely couldn't tolerate, especially when he saw Mu Chen ignoring him. His rage surged.

"Arrogant brat with your nose in the air! Let this king teach you the meaning of modesty!"

The Blood Hawk King slapped the armrest, turning the throne into dust as his figure moved, and appeared in the sky. A scarlet feather pierced through space in a rustle as it flew towards the Sovereign Celestial Body formed by Mu Chen with lightning speed.

Whoosh!

That scarlet feather pierced through space. In an instant, it made Mu Chen feel a chill in his heart. Although the blood feather didn't look powerful, the terrifying Spiritual Energy fluctuations in it far surpassed his own.

A Fifth Grade Sovereign was something that Mu Chen could not contend against, even though he possessed the Great Solar Undying Body.

Mu Chen's gaze slightly flickered and he did an astonishing act shortly after. He was actually not bothered with Blood Hawk King's attack. The light palm was still slamming towards Cao Feng with ferocity.

At the sight of this, the Blood Hawk King's gaze instantly turned cold. Since that's the case, then you can be crippled together with Cao Feng.

Buzz!

The blood feather penetrated through space and directly appeared behind Mu Chen. However, just when it was about to strike Mu Chen, a feather that was blazing with purple flames had also torn through space and was about to clash with the blood feather.

Boom!

The two feathers clashed. There wasn't any violent Spiritual Energy that exploded, the both of them cancelled each other out as they swiftly dulled in lustre and disappeared.

"Someone of my Nine Nether Palace doesn't require your Blood Hawk Hall to teach a lesson to!"

When the two attacks cancelled out, a cold and crisp voice had also resounded between these heavens and earth as well. Countless people turned their heads over and saw Nine Nether standing by herself before the throne. She had a cool and elegant appearance as her hair fluttered with purple flames blazing around her. This gave others a feeling of stunning beauty, as well as prestige.

Blood Hawk King stood on the sky as he coldly looked at Nine Nether. He smiled from rage. "What a great tone. Having not seen you for years, Nine Nether, your temper is getting from bad to worse."

"If you can't swallow this, then fight. You have not been pleasing to my eyes for a long time. If I dispose of you, I can just incorporate your Blood Hawk Hall into my Nine Nether Palace." The corner of Nine Nether's lips rose as she spoke.

"Incorporate my Blood Hawk Hall? Okay, show me what you are capable of. I'll see how capable are you to say such words!!" Blood Hawk King laughed from anger.

"Arghhh!"

However, just when Blood Hawk King finished his words, a shriek suddenly rang out. Mu Chen's palm had already slammed onto Cao Feng without any reservation. The latter's chest sunk in as he spewed blood. His body was like a bird with broken wings as he fell.

Whoosh! Whoosh!

When Cao Feng was falling, two gales swept past and severed both of his arms. On the spot, another miserable shriek rang out once again.

Boom!

Cao Feng heavily fell onto the ground, causing the earth to cave in with his body lying in it. Fresh blood flowed as his aura became weak. It was unclear if he was still alive.

Hisss.

Countless people silently sucked in a chilled breath as they looked at Mu Chen with slight fearful gazes. The ruthless means that the latter had displayed made even them who had experienced hundreds of battles feel a chill in their hearts.

Although the age of that youth wasn't big, his methods weren't small.

Up in the sky, the Great Solar Undying Body that was formed by Mu Chen had dissipated as he revealed his body. His gaze was coldly looking at Cao Feng, whose death was unclear, as he spoke in a faint voice, "This is what you owe to the Nine Nether Palace. In the future, you are not related to the Nine Nether Palace in any way."

Pfft.

Cao Feng, who was already in a weak state at this moment, spurted out a mouthful of blood after hearing Mu Chen's words. His sight went black, and he fainted.

The entire heavens and earth were silent.

After that, cheers abruptly rang out from the Nine Nether Palace's direction. Every single one of the Nine Nether Troop had excitement on their faces with their eyes turning red. All these years, Cao Feng's betrayal had been a thorn in their hearts. In the Great Havenlaw Domain, many people mocked them because of this, and they could only endure it. But today, all grudges were cleared up with the arrival of the new Domain Lord, Mu Chen.

At this point in time, they were utterly convinced that the new Domain Lord brought back by Lord Nine Nether was indeed stronger than Cao Feng and was more convincing.

"Big Sister, Mu Chen won!" Tang Rou grabbed onto Tang Bing's arm as she said with delight.

Tang Bing held a smile on her rosy lips as her beautiful eyes became filled with delight as well. She looked at the figure in the sky and slightly pouted her lips. Fortunately, that fellow did not disappoint them. Otherwise, she definitely wouldn't let him off so lightly.

When the Nine Nether Palace's cheers trembled the skies, the Blood Hawk King, who was in the sky, had such a dark face that it looked like water would drip from his face at any time. He eerily stared at Mu Chen. "What a ruthless brat!"

Dreadful killing intent swept out from his body and pressed towards Mu Chen like a mountain. Clearly, he had raised the intention to kill Mu Chen in his heart.

Sensing that lofting killing intent, Mu Chen's expression slightly changed. The strength of a Fifth Grade Sovereign was indeed powerful.

Rustle.

When the killing intent surged over, a breezy fragrance blew as well. Nine Nether's slender figure appeared before Mu Chen as her hair fluttered, withstanding the killing intent for Mu Chen.

Nine Nether's face was cold as she clenched her fist. Purple flames that were like snakes were slithering towards the centre of her fist. She slowly raised her slender eyes and coldly stared at the Blood Hawk King as her cold voice resounded in the sky.

"If you're not convinced, then let me accompany you in a fight."

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Chapter 693: To the Summit

In the area, everyone lifted their heads and stared at the sky. There, a rich murderous aura was spreading. Under the influence of the murderous aura, the temperature in the sky also dropped significantly. That was the murderous aura from the two lords.

In the sky, Nine Nether and Lord Blood Hawk stood opposite each other, and the looks from both were particularly freezing. The resentment between them had been long-standing, as both disliked the other. If they were not both lords in the Daluo Territory, they would probably not restrain themselves, and would have fought each other a long time ago. However, by the looks of it now, the two both seemed to be unable to tolerate the killing intents in their hearts any longer.

"I have been wanting to know how strong the Nine Netherbird clan is all along. Today, I really want to see it for myself," Lord Blood Hawk said gloomily. In his scarlet pupils, some fierceness appeared.

As he spoke, a blood-red storm swept out around him. The storm was filled with violent and vast spiritual energy fluctuations, which raged in the sky like blades.

"Then you can come and try," Nine Nether also replied with a sneer. The purple flames that were circling her expanded suddenly. Her hair danced, as the purple flames swept out and a terrifying temperature spread.

Seeing the appearances of the two, everyone's expressions changed uncontrollably. If Nine Nether and Lord Blood Hawk really started to fight, the influence would be far greater than the battles between the commanders.

In the Daluo Territory, commanders still could not be considered as the cornerstones. However, people as strong as Lord Blood Hawk and Nine Nether were really considered as the backbones of the territory.

"Enough!"

Precisely because of this, when the two were standing against each other, a roar sounded off and a wind-like fluctuation swept across the place. Where the fluctuation passed, the extremely violent spiritual energy fluctuation around Nine Nether and Lord Blood Hawk was actually suppressed back into the bodies of the two.

Everyone looked toward the source of the voice. The Condor King was staring at the two, frowning, as he said in a deep tone, "Is it that you have forgotten the rules of the Daluo Territory?"

In the Daluo Territory, lords could not be directly involved in the conflicts between the different forces. They could only let their subordinates fight. In this way, competition could be maintained, while the greatest number of lords could also be kept intact and stable.

Seeing that the Condor King had acted, Lord Blood Hawk knew that he would no longer be able to deal with Nine Nether on that day. He glanced at Cao Feng, who had become handicapped, but could not let it go. Immediately, he stared at Mu Chen with a gloomy look and said, "Cao feng had already been defeated, but Mu Chen was still so cruel. I think we should take his eligibility away."

Hearing this, Mu Chen's look also turned cold.

"Don't you even think about it!" Nine Nether sneered and said. "Lord Blood Hawk, are you too old, that you can't think properly? In this kind of battle, as long as no one admits defeat, the battle will continue. Even if Cao Feng is killed, instead of just being severely injured, he deserves it. There is no one else to blame!"

"You want my Blood Hawk Palace to tolerate this, and let this go? Impossible!" Lord Blood Hawk was unwilling to compromise at all, as he stood in sharp opposition.

Seeing the two arguing, the Condor King also frowned. At the side, the Spiritual Pupil King smiled briefly and said, "In my opinion, we should swap Mu Chen down for the moment to pacify Lord Blood Hawk's anger. After the event, we will find another chance to compensate him."

Mu Chen's expression changed slightly. His goal was the Daluo Golden Pool. At the moment, he had made it here after many challenges, and so he would not give up easily. Furthermore, the so-called compensation in the future did not sound convincing, and he did not believe in that.

However, although Mu Chen was somewhat angry, he did not say anything recklessly. At the moment, his status in the Daluo Territory was too low. He did not want to cause any unnecessary trouble for Nine Nether, just so that he could look cool for a moment.

The Condor King frowned and said, "If we do this, who will dare to participate in the Daluo Golden Pool contest in the future?"

"Ha, do you think there are too few people, who want to enter the Daluo Golden Pool?" the Spiritual Pupil King smiled and said.

Hearing the dispute between the two, the Sleeping King, who had always been reticent, suddenly smiled and said, "Old rules, we shall still continue them all."

Both the Condor King and the Spiritual Pupil King were stunned for a moment. After all, over these years, the Sleeping King would very rarely participate in their disputes. It was rather uncommon for him to say something actively like this. Moreover, the words from the Sleeping Kings were clearly trying to help Mu Chen.

Some darkness flashed across the depth of the eyes of the Spiritual Pupil King. However, although he was also one of the three kings, he knew that the Sleeping King was unfathomable. In addition, and also most importantly, the Sleeping King had always been the person that the Dominator trusted the most.

Hence, since the Sleeping King had spoken, he could not oppose. Immediately, he smiled and said, "Since Brother Meng has said so, we will continue, according to the rules."

Lord Blood Hawk's face darkened, but he did not dare say anything. He could just give a gloomy humph towards Mu Chen. Then, waving his sleeves, he turned around and descended from the sky.

Nine Nether also looked at the Sleeping King with some surprise, after which, she nodded at him with some gratitude. Then, she looked at Mu Chen and said, "Your performance is not bad. Later, whatever opportunities you can get in the Daluo Golden Pool all depends on yourself."

Mu Chen smiled and nodded. Seeing this, Nine Nether did not add anything and turned around to descend.

Mu Chen stared at Nine Nether, who had turned around and left. Then, he turned his head and folded his hands at the Condor King and the Sleeping King respectfully. Finally, he moved and landed directly towards the Daluo Golden Platform.

On the Daluo Golden Platform, a few people stared firmly at Mu Chen, who was now landing. Xu Qing and Zhou Yue's looks were filled with surprise. Clearly, the powers that Mu Chen had displayed earlier caused them to be somewhat shocked. Although they were stronger than Cao Feng, if the latter was to risk his life to fight, it would cause them a lot of trouble.

However, Mu Chen could endure the attack. Just this alone was sufficient reason for Xu Qing and the rest to take Mu Chen as someone who was as strong as them. When Mu Chen landed on the Daluo Golden Platform, a wild spiritual energy fluctuation also burst out in the distance. Just then, a person flew backwards, looking discomposed. His feet rubbed against the ground as he backed away hurriedly.

Mu Chen appeared behind the figure. He put his hands on the shoulders of the person and helped him to take the force away. The person, who was Fang Lei, turned his head around.

Seeing Mu Chen, he smiled bitterly, his face pale. When Mu Chen was battling fiercely with Cao Feng previously, he was also fighting with Wu Tian, but clearly, he had lost in the end.

Before them, some light condensed, and Wu Tian also appeared. He stared at Mu Chen with a somewhat gloomy look, but this time, some fear could also be seen in the depths of his eyes.

Although Wu Tian was fighting with Fang Lei just now, he was also obviously paying attention to the battle of Cao Feng. The amazing combat force, which Mu Chen had displayed, was sufficient to cause him to be alarmed.

Wu Tian was not stupid. Otherwise, he would not have become a commander, who was so valued by Lord Blood Hawk. Therefore, at the moment, he had taken back all the underestimations that he had towards Mu Chen, as now, he really viewed Mu Chen as one who could compete with him.

"I lost. Brother Mu Chen, I hope that you can gain something in the Daluo Golden Pool." Fang Lei was quite straightforward. He smiled towards Mu Chen, then left the Daluo Golden Platform.

Although he disliked Wu Tian, he understood that he had lost because he was the weaker of the pair. Thus, he did not recklessly ask Mu Chen to help.

Mu Chen watched him leave. Then, he walked back calmly to where he had stood. Even though he also disliked Wu Tian, he knew that now was not a good time to continue fighting.

Previously, he had already spent much of his spiritual energy during the battle with Cao Feng. At the moment, he was not in his best condition, so he did not need to take the risk. After all, the four quotas had already appeared.

Wu Tian similarly did not say anything to mock Mu Chen again, as he walked back with a gloomy look. Originally, he wanted to take this opportunity to challenge Zhou Yue, so that his ranking would become higher. However, he did not expect Mu Chen to emerge all of the sudden. Therefore, he did not dare fight again, in case Mu Chen would benefit at the end of their battles.

The four people stood quietly at the four corners of the Daluo Golden Platform. All of them remained silent and did not interfere with each other. Everyone looked at the four figures on the Daluo Golden Platform, feeling somewhat emotional. They knew that these four were the four great commanders in the Daluo Territory. Apart from Mu Chen, who was a new dark horse, the other three were all previous title holders.

As the atmosphere on the Daluo Golden Platform quietened, in the sky, the three kings glanced at each other. Then, the Condor King's old and low voice spread in the sky.

"The final four quotas for the Daluo Golden Pool have emerged. Now, take your golden talisman."

"Asura Palace, Xu Qing!"

Hearing the roar of the Condor King, Xu Qing stepped forward calmly. Then, a golden beam fell from the sky and turned into a golden talisman, landing in the hands of Xu Qing.

"Cracking Mountain Palace, Zhou Yue!"

"Blood Hawk Palace, Wu Tian!"

The two also stepped forward. As they did so, golden light covered them, and golden talismans fell down.

The Condor King looked at Mu Chen who was the last one. His old face seemed to smile, as he said, "Nine Nether Palace, Mu Chen."

Mu Chen walked forward. A golden beam converged, and eventually, also turned into a golden talisman in his palm. There seemed to be a strange fluctuation being emitted from the golden talisman, and the source of the fluctuation seemed to be the summit. This made sense, as that was where the Daluo Golden Pool was.

"From now on, these four people will be the new four great commanders of the Daluo Territory!"

When the Condor King finished speaking, an overwhelming amount of cheers burst out from the crowd. In any case, the four people before them were indeed considered as the top among the young generation in the Daluo Territory. Their powers had earned everyone's recognition.

Hearing the cheers, the Condor King also smiled gently. Then, he looked at the very top of the peak of the Golden Pool. There, waves of golden light were still pouring down continuously, but this time, all the golden light torrents had bypassed the four people, who were now holding the golden talismans.

"Now, climb to the summit."

As the Condor King waved his hand, the looks from the four people were instantly filled with anticipation. Then, they stomped their feet and ascended quickly into the air. Under the countless envious stares, they dashed directly past the golden light torrents and turned into rays of light, charging towards the magnificent peak of the Golden Pool!

The Daluo Golden Pool was finally open for them!

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Chapter 694: Entering the Daluo Golden Pool

At the summit of the Golden Pool.

Golden light filled the place. When one stared at it, it was as if even one's eyes were colored gold. Golden torrents that seemed to be blotting out the sky poured out, emitting an extremely terrifying pressure.

Mu Chen dropped down from the summit. The place where he landed felt exceptionally hard, as if he were stepping on diamond. He looked ahead with a surprised expression. At the central region, the brilliant golden light seemed to be so strong that it even caused his eyes to hurt.

The golden torrents that filled the entire peak of the Golden Pool were spreading out from there.

As the golden torrents rushed past, they bypassed Mu Chen's body. His toes pushed against the ground, and his body flew out for 10,000 feet. Next, a remarkably extensive golden pool appeared before him.

It was as if the golden pool were filled with golden liquid, and the viscous liquid was sloshing around. Occasionally, a golden bubble would slowly rise and then explode. When it burst apart, a golden torrent would immediately sweep out.

Is this the Daluo Golden Pool?

Mu Chen stared at the golden pool, somewhat astonished. Although the pool looked rather calm, for some reason Mu Chen felt an intense danger, as if the golden pool were a peerless beast.

Since the Daluo Golden Pool had the power to strengthen the Sovereign Celestial Body, it was definitely extraordinary.

Vroom.

The sound of objects whizzing through the air could be heard. Xu Qing, Zhou Yue, and Wu Tian also landed around the area, staring with much anticipation at the pool emitting golden light.

The Sovereign Celestial Body was a very important means for a sovereign master. The Daluo Golden Pool before them could strengthen the Sovereign Celestial Body and make it stronger and more refined. This was undoubtedly strikingly attractive to people like them who had just entered the Sovereign-level.

When the four people, including Mu Chen, appeared beside the Daluo Golden Pool, the virile and low voice of the Condor King spread from the sky like thunder. "The Daluo Golden Pool has already opened. You can enter it individually. In the Daluo Golden Pool, the water has millions of pounds of pressure. The lower you go, the more pressure you will experience, so you cannot rush down recklessly. Otherwise, you will cause yourself suffering.

"As for whether you can cultivate the legendary Daluo Golden Body successfully, it all depends on your own fortune. Remember not to force it."

Hearing so, all four nodded in acknowledgement.

"Haha, you three, let's see who will be luckier this time." Xu Qing smiled gently at the rest. Then, without further hesitation, his toes kicked off the ground, and his body turned into a streamer which flew into the Daluo Golden Pool.

His body charged in, but did not actually cause any waves to be formed on the surface of the pool. It seemed as if he had sunk into a bottomless mire, and it looked somewhat frightening.

Zhou Yue and Wu Tian also followed immediately without any hesitation.

Seeing that the three had vanished into the Daluo Golden Pool, Mu Chen also took a deep breath, and the spiritual energy in his body quietly surged. He turned into a beam of light and dashed into the Daluo Golden Pool directly.

Plop.

When he dashed into the Daluo Golden Pool, a soft plop sounded off near his ears. Then, golden color filled his eyes. Immediately, a terrifying power gushed towards him from all directions as if it were trying to crush him into pieces.

Rumble!

On the surface of Mu Chen's body, lightning bloomed out instantly, and his whole body was electrified. Obviously, he had activated the Thunder God Physique to its extreme. Then, his feet kicked in the liquid, and his body swam swiftly down the Daluo Golden Pool like a fish.

In the Daluo Golden Pool, it was clear that the deeper he went, the more benefits he would receive. Of course, the pressure below was also much stronger. If a person did not have the sufficient abilities, going down recklessly would be like committing suicide.

Splash.

Mu Chen's body swam across the viscous golden liquid rapidly and brought about the soft sound of water. His body continued to descend.

Golden light filled the surroundings. In the Daluo Golden Pool, it was as if even the senses were suppressed to their minimum range. Outside the pool, Mu Chen could easily sense objects within over 100,000 feet. However, in this place, it was not even 100 feet.

Rumble.

Lightning circled around the surface of Mu Chen's body, but his diving speed was gradually becoming slower because the pressure in the surroundings was increasing. Even though he had activated the Thunder God Physique to its extreme, he still felt waves of pain on his skin.

While the pressure was gushing towards Mu Chen, he noticed that thin rays of golden light were also rushing continuously into his body. That was a very special power: where the golden light passed, Mu Chen could feel his muscles, bones, and even blood gradually becoming hotter, as if they were being strengthened in a stove.

Such a magical and formidable Daluo Golden Pool, Mu Chen praised in his heart. Relying on the Thunder God Physique alone, he could actually dive to only about 2,000 feet. The pressure there was really terrifying.

I can summon my Sovereign Celestial Body.

Mu Chen's hands formed a seal, and a spiritual energy storm immediately burst out from his body. The golden liquid around him was pushed aside. A huge figure appeared outside Mu Chen and shrouded him.

As the Great Solar Undying Body appeared, the pressure enveloping Mu Chen was instantly gone. He smiled and moving his mind, the Great Solar Undying Body continued to dive quickly again.

After summoning the Great Solar Undying Body, Mu Chen's diving speed increased right away. As he dove deeper, he could feel the golden energy that was gushing towards him also became richer.

When the golden energy came into contact with his Sovereign Celestial Body, Mu Chen immediately discovered in surprise that the Sovereign Celestial Body actually produced a buzzing, trembling sound. It looked like a starving person who saw a lot of food and started to wildly absorb the golden energy at a greedy pace.

As the Sovereign Celestial Body crazily devoured the energy, traces of golden light began to drift on the surface of the giant Sovereign Celestial Body.

Mu Chen still continued to dive.

The dive finally slowly stopped when Mu Chen reached about 8,000 feet deep because even with the power of the Great Solar Undying Body, he still vaguely felt some pressure there.

Mu Chen scanned around, and golden light still flooded his view. Moving his mind, the Great Solar Undying Body sat cross-legged. The golden energy there was already extremely rich and was sufficient for his cultivation.

He remembered the Condor King's earlier reminder. The Daluo Golden Pool was clearly extraordinary, and it would probably be unwise to dive deeper just for the sake of it.

I'll cultivate here.

The giant hands of the Great Solar Undying Body slowly formed a seal. When he breathed in and out, it was as if the sound of thunder could be heard. As Mu Chen entered the cultivation state, the Sun of Brightness behind the head of the Great Solar Undying Body also started to quietly turn.

Boom!

When the sun started turning, the golden water in the area seemed to begin boiling. Golden light turned into torrents and converged towards him continuously. Eventually, the torrents were refined by the great solar flames and absorbed by the Great Solar Undying Body directly.

The water in the Daluo Golden Pool was as heavy as mountains. Although the energy contained in it was magical, it was not easy to separate the energy out. Many people who had entered the pool could only refine the liquid slowly using their own spiritual energy. On the other hand, Mu Chen was absorbing the energy like a whale, and it was so fast that if people were to see it, they would probably have been dumbstruck.

With such speed, the surface of Mu Chen's huge Sovereign Celestial Body also seemed to be covered in a thin layer of golden light. On its body, the drifting traces of golden light began to expand slowly as well.

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Outside the peak of the Golden Pool, everyone raised their heads to look at the summit which was filled with golden light. Intense envy could be seen in the eyes of many. After all, the power of the Daluo Golden Pool was very attractive to most sovereigns.

In the sky, the three kings stood in midair. Four golden talismans floated before them. These four golden talismans were connected to the ones held by Mu Chen and the rest, and could sense each other.

All four golden talismans were emitting golden light, and the golden light was gradually growing brighter.

The three kings all stared at the four golden talismans. Generally speaking, the deeper a person dove in the Daluo Golden Pool and the stronger the power he had absorbed from the Golden Pool, the brighter

the golden light given off by his talisman would be. Obviously, if he were to go deeper, he would obtain more benefits.

"Seems that the four great commanders this time are stronger than the previous batches. Their locations now should be between 5,000 to 10,000 feet deep." Looking at the light from the four golden talismans, the Condor King smiled uncontrollably.

The Sleeping King also opened his eyes slightly, after which he closed them again and muttered, "Seems that no one could obtain the Golden Body again."

The Condor King and the Spiritual Pupil King both smiled resignedly. It was too demanding. From their estimation over the years, if a person wanted to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body in the Daluo Golden Pool, he had to dive to at least 20,000 feet deep. Only with the help of the pressure there and the extremely pure power of the Golden Pool could he cultivate the Daluo Golden Body.

Unfortunately, over the years there had been very few commanders who could dive to that kind of depth.

"Let's wait and see. It's not over yet, after all," the Condor King said.

The Sleeping King nodded but was non-committal.

The Spiritual Pupil King looked at the Sleeping King suddenly and asked, "Brother Meng, may I ask if there is any news about the Dominator recently? The Great Hunt is approaching..."

The Sleeping King smiled and shook his head, after which he replied, "Brother Spiritual Pupil, don't worry. When it's time, the Dominator will appear naturally."

Hearing so, the Spiritual Pupil King could only smile.

The three kings fell into silence. They stared at the four golden talismans before them, but clearly they were somewhat downhearted. It seemed that nothing surprising would happen.

Among the four great commanders in this batch, is there nobody who can reach that level?

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Chapter 695: Twenty Thousand Feet

Splash.

In the depths of the Daluo Golden Pool, a giant sat cross-legged quietly. Around him, the pool water that was as viscous as a golden slurry was flowing slowly. Eventually, it began gushing into the figure steadily.

Behind the head of the giant, a huge sun was turning, emitting waves of flaming brightness, refining the golden slurry that was gushing over everything completely. Then, it was turned into beams of golden light that would eventually be absorbed by the giant.

As more and more golden slurry was refined, the slowly drifting golden rays on the body of the giant were also gradually becoming thicker. Faintly, the golden rays looked like small snakes that were climbing on the body of the giant.

Where the golden snakes swam past, a vague golden trace would be left behind, and a divine power would be given off, as if they were causing the sovereign celestial body to become more condensed. This sovereign celestial body was clearly Mu Chen's Great Solar Undying Body.

At the moment, Mu Chen was sitting cross-legged inside the Great Solar Undying Body. His originally closed eyes now opened slowly, and he looked at the sovereign celestial body that was enveloping him, eventually staring at the area where the golden snakes were swimming.

From what he sensed, the power that he had absorbed from the Golden Pool had turned into eight golden snakes. The eight golden snakes were circling around the sovereign celestial body and, whenever they started to swim, it would bring about a scorching feeling. The spiritual energy then would seem to be particularly brisk, or even boiling.

Mu Chen knew that, by the time he refined the eight golden snakes, his Great Solar Undying Body would become stronger, but... Mu Chen frowned slightly, thinking on this... The increase in power was below his expectation, as he was still far away from the so-called Daluo Golden Body...

"The power of the Golden Pool that I absorb here is far from sufficient."

Mu Chen seemed to still be pondering. Although the power of the Golden Pool contained at this depth was already very abundant, it was clearly impossible to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body at this place.

Mu Chen's eyes sparkled slightly. Then, he looked downwards to stare at the deeper parts of the Daluo Golden Pool, where it was still filled with brilliant golden color. It looked endless, and its depth was somewhat frightening.

After entering the Daluo Golden Pool, Mu Chen knew well how strong the pressure here was. If he did not rely on the Great Solar Undying Body, he would not be able to reach his current position, at least not just by relying upon his own power, which was grade one sovereign.

However, at the moment, even this position could not satisfy Mu Chen, because he knew that he entered the Daluo Golden Pool not just to simply strengthen his sovereign celestial body. He was more ambitious than others, because he needed power.

Mu Chen's eyes sparkled. Then, he took a deep breath, and his look gradually turned cold. He firmly believed that, in the world, he could not obtain any power without working hard. Since he wanted to get that kind of power, he had to pay the corresponding price.

If he was helpless, just because of the Daluo Golden Body at the moment, what could he do when he was faced with more dangerous challenges in the future? Could he keep retreating? In that way of thinking, maybe he would never be able to fulfill the promise that he made to that girl.

Mu Chen, hesitant no more, moved his hands to form a seal abruptly, and the sovereign celestial body trembled, after which, it actually started to quickly descend towards the deeper parts of the Daluo Golden Pool again.

Splash.

The huge sovereign celestial body tore the viscous golden liquid apart brutally. A strong spiritual energy rippled out, guarding against the terrifying pressure that was gushing towards him, like the tides, from all directions.

One thousand feet... Two thousand feet...

In just about ten breaths' time, Mu Chen had already dove for about four thousand feet again. At the moment, he was about twelve thousand feet deep into the Daluo Golden Pool.

As Mu Chen dove continuously, he could also feel that the pressure gushing towards him was quickly multiplying. The pressure increased rapidly, like many mountains stacked together. However, facing such pressure, Mu Chen still showed no signs of hesitation, but continued to dive!

The spiritual light around the sovereign celestial body was already totally suppressed back into its body, because of the terrible pressure. The pressure was so strong that, even though Mu Chen was protected inside the sovereign celestial body, he still faintly felt some pain.

"It's fifteen thousand feet..."

Mu Chen gritted his teeth lightly and his skin was gradually turning red, but his black eyes showed no signs of retreat. Instead, they were filled with increasing passion and perseverance, because he could feel that, in the deeper parts of the Daluo Golden Pool, the power of the Golden Pool contained in the liquid was strikingly rich. Hence, only in the deepest parts would it be possible to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body.

It's still not enough!

Mu Chen's eyes were slightly red. Again, he controlled the Great Solar Undying Body to continue diving. At such a depth, every time he went down for a hundred feet, the pressure would multiply wildly.

Even though Mu Chen had the Great Solar Undying Body, his diving speed still became slower and slower, as if he had sunk into the mud. This time, half an hour passed, but Mu Chen actually did not even dive for a thousand feet.

Furthermore, the horrible pressure brought about by the thousand feet of depth actually caused the Great Solar Undying Body to decrease significantly in size. Even the originally bright spiritual light became somewhat dim.

However, Mu Chen still did not give up. His black eyes stared at the deeper parts, and he ignored the drops of blood that were seeping out from his red skin.

The viscous golden pool water was torn apart forcefully and the sovereign celestial body continued its dive. Another one thousand feet... one thousand and five hundred feet... two thousand feet...

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Outside the peak of the Golden Pool.

In the place, everyone stared at the four golden talismans, but the three kings all looked emotionless. Over the years, the Daluo Golden Pool had been opened many times, and they had seen such calm situations many times. Therefore, they would show much emotion.

After all, in their eyes, as long as a person did not cultivate the Daluo Golden Body in the Daluo Golden Pool, the other levels of achievements were all the same and did not differ much. It was, at most, like the difference between a person, who had walked fifty steps, and another, who had walked a hundred.

Buzz.

While the three kings were looking casual, suddenly, one out of the four golden talisman grew brighter. Golden light spread out and actually outshone the light from the other three golden talismans.

Even though the light from the other three golden talismans was also becoming stronger, it was insignificant when compared to the speed at which the brightness of the fourth golden talisman was increasing.

Because of the scene, everyone was somewhat surprised, after which, some exclaims could be heard. Clearly, they knew what the brightness of the four golden talismans represented.

Judging from the brightness, there was obviously someone who was trying to break into the deeper parts of the Daluo Golden Pool. The golden light surged into the eyes of the three kings, whose looks also suddenly turned serious. Even the Sleeping King squinted and stared at the dazzling golden talisman.

"Someone is charging towards the deeper parts of the Daluo Golden Pool," the Condor King said in surprise.

"From this brightness, he should be close to reaching twenty thousand feet deep." The Spiritual Pupil king was also somewhat amused. He knew well the dynamics of the pressure that was present at twenty thousand feet deep into the Daluo Golden Pool.

There, even grade three sovereigns could not tolerate the pressure. At the moment, the four, who had entered the pool, were clearly not that strong.

"Who exactly is it?" Their faces were filled with surprise. Because of the interference from the Daluo Golden Pool, even with their powers, they could not detect the person, who bold enough to actually dare to try reaching twenty thousand feet deep.

"Seems like this person is really ambitious." The Sleeping King finally smiled with some interest. From the looks of it, this person was definitely going for the Daluo Golden Body. Over many years, there were only a few people in the Daluo Territory who could reach such an extent.

"I just fear that he is too ambitious," the Spiritual Pupil King said, after being silent for a while.

The Condor King also frowned. While it was good to be ambitious, sometimes a person had to act according to his own abilities. The danger contained in the Daluo Golden Pool was sufficient to destroy any among the four. If the person was being too stubborn, it would probably cause him to be trapped inside.

"It has been a long time since such things last happened. Let's see if there will be anything surprising this time." The Sleeping King smiled gently and stared at the golden talisman that was becoming increasingly bright.

Below them, Tang Bing and Tang Rou also stared at the dazzling golden talisman nervously. Then, they whispered to Nine Nether, "Sister Nine Nether, that isn't from Mu Chen, right?"

Although Mu Chen was only a grade one sovereign, who, from the looks of it, could not have dived so deep, they still felt that Mu Chen was probably the one based on the girls' instinct.

Nine Nether stared at the golden talisman and a charming smile appeared on her icy face. Nodding gently, she replied, "It should be him." Her voice was soft but extremely confident.

Among the four, Xu Qing and the other two were strong, but not enough for them to go twenty thousand feet deep. On the other hand, Mu Chen had many hidden skills, and ways and means. Therefore, only he could do such an unexpected thing.

"Let me see what level you can reach this time..." Nine Nether's rosy lips curled up slightly, as she muttered to herself.

Under countless stares, the light from the particular golden talisman became brighter and brighter. After about half an hour, it was so bright that it already seemed to be a golden sun.

The light completely outshone the other three golden talismans, causing everyone's look to be filled with some astonishment at the moment. The looks from the three kings also gradually turned from being originally unconcerned to being solemn and surprised.

Buzz!

A sudden buzzing spread from the golden talisman. Then, it was as if the golden talisman could no longer tolerate it, and actually burst out an endless amount of golden light that enveloped the region within a hundred thousand feet radius.

The bodies of the three kings trembled, and their pupils contracted uncontrollably. That person actually really dived to twenty thousand feet deep!

While everyone was astonished by the dazzling golden light, in the deepest part of the Daluo Golden Pool, a strange fluctuation also seemed to be emitting...

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Chapter 696: Person at the Bottom of the Pool

Daluo Golden Pool, 20,000 feet deep.

Howl.

At such a depth in the Daluo Golden Pool, it was supposed to be extremely quiet. However, it was as if waves were violently rolling. The viscous golden pool water whizzed around wildly and seemed to have formed a huge golden whirlpool.

At the center of the whirlpool, there was actually a giant figure sitting cross-legged.

The giant was Mu Chen's Great Solar Undying Body. However, the Sovereign Celestial Body, which was originally thousands of feet in size, was now actually only hundreds of feet in size.

This was all caused by the terrifying pressure from the Daluo Golden Pool.

Inside the Sovereign Celestial Body, Mu Chen sat quietly. His body was trembling gently, and the surface of his body was covered by a thin scab. At the depth of 20,000 feet in the Daluo Golden Pool, the pressure was able to seep through the Sovereign Celestial Body and eventually act on his own body.

If he did not have those notable achievements in his physical body, he would probably have been crushed into pieces by the pressure penetrating through the Sovereign Celestial Body.

Even so, the intense pain that filled his body still caused him to tremble uncontrollably. Nevertheless, he eventually managed to just grit his teeth and tolerate the pain.

Puff.

Below the scab, Mu Chen seemed to have taken in a soft breath, and then his hands slowly formed a seal.

Boom!

When he finished forming the seal, an endless amount of light suddenly burst out from the Great Solar Undying Body. The flames of brightness spread and absorbed all the magical and vast power of the Golden Pool, and were eventually devoured by the Great Solar Undying Body.

Mu Chen had activated the Great Solar Undying Body to its extreme. Therefore, at the bottom of the Daluo Golden Pool, golden energy whizzed over steadily and continuously gushed into the gigantic figure.

The concentration of the golden energy was undoubtedly a hundred times greater than before!

Under the injection of such an astonishing amount of energy, the surface of Mu Chen's huge Great Solar Undying Body was also rapidly filled with golden light. The eight golden snakes swam around swiftly and greedily consumed the waves of golden energy that were gushing over.

The eight golden snakes were growing bigger at a noticeable pace.

A burning sensation filled every corner of the Sovereign Celestial Body, and Mu Chen felt as if he were on a stove. However, as the burning sensation became stronger, he could feel that the terrifying external pressure was gradually weakening. Obviously, the Sovereign Celestial Body was slowly becoming stronger as it absorbed the power of the Golden Pool. Therefore, the resistance against the pressure was also progressively increasing.

Time passed slowly at the bottom of the Golden Pool.

As time passed, the golden light enveloping the Great Solar Undying Body also grew more intense. From afar, it seemed as though the surface of the Sovereign Celestial Body was covered with a gold film.

Inside the Sovereign Celestial Body, Mu Chen's closed eyes opened suddenly, and he stared at the outside of the Sovereign Celestial Body. On its gigantic body, a huge golden snake quickly swam past. As the golden snake wriggled, golden claws suddenly emerged below its body. Golden lumps also rose slowly on the snake's head.

This signaled that the snake was evolving.

Seeing the scene, some thoughts seemed to flash across Mu Chen's eyes. He looked at the other seven golden snakes and discovered that they were evolving slowly as well. As they evolved, Mu Chen could feel that a magical power seemed to be subtly gushing out from their bodies.

The fluctuation caused the Great Solar Undying Body to tremble slightly, as if it could no longer wait.

This Daluo Golden Body actually needs me to turn the snakes into dragons...

Mu Chen's eyes sparkled. It seemed that in order to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body, he had to make the eight golden snakes evolve into dragons. However, this clearly required a very large power from the Golden Pool, and one could only get the sufficient amount of power at the very deepest parts of the pool.

I will let you absorb as much as you want!

Mu Chen grinned. As he changed his seals, a strong attractive force gushed out from the Great Solar Undying Body again and devoured all the power of the Golden Pool, which was continuously rushing over.

As the Sovereign Celestial Body absorbed the power of the Golden Pool at full force, the eight golden snakes also swallowed the power greedily, and the rate of evolution increased once more.

Time passed in the depths of the Golden Pool. In the blink of an eye, three days had passed.

In the Sovereign Celestial Body, when Mu Chen opened his eyes again, he could hear a sudden howl spreading. Raising his head, he noticed that on the surface of the Sovereign Celestial Body, the eight giant golden snakes were struggling continuously. As they struggled, golden scales constantly fell off of their bodies. They wriggled and dragon claws started to slowly emerge.

When dragon horns also grew on the heads of the golden snakes, the howls from the eight golden snakes suddenly became low and actually turned into real dragon howls. The mighty dragon howls spread and caused golden waves to form at the depths of the Golden Pool.

I did it!

Mu Chen watched the scene in surprise. He had finally fed the eight golden snakes sufficiently.

Roar!

However, just as the eight golden snakes successfully evolved into golden dragons, they did not merge with the Sovereign Celestial Body directly. Instead, they wound around the Great Solar Undying Body and gave out a low roar towards the bottom of the Golden Pool.

The roar seemed to be pressing.

The eight golden dragons opened their huge mouths. A violent gust of wind whizzed out and swept towards the deepest part of the Daluo Golden Pool like a tornado. The deepest part was filled with golden light and looked like particles of endless silt.

The silt was golden in color and looked like molten gold, dazzling and eye-catching.

Splash.

The golden silt was swept off bit by bit and continuously flew towards the Sovereign Celestial Body.

Sizzle!

As the golden silt covered and stuck onto the Sovereign Celestial Body, white mist burst out immediately. The golden silt actually had an extremely high temperature.

At this instant, Mu Chen's expression turned worrisome.

That was because he realized that as the golden silt adhered to the Great Solar Undying Body, it actually started to slowly melt. The seemingly harmless golden silt was in fact the most terrifying object in the Daluo Golden Pool.

Damn it!

Mu Chen gritted his teeth and cursed. The golden dragons had caused him a lot of trouble. But from the look of it, this seemed to be the last step in the cultivation of the Daluo Golden Body.

Thus, regardless of how shocked Mu Chen was, he had to persist no matter what.

Splash.

The golden dragons drew so much golden silt over that it seemed to be blotting out the sky and the earth. Eventually, it poured down like a rainstorm. Covered in the silt rainstorm, the Great Solar Undying Body was also soon engulfed by it along with the eight golden dragons.

Sizzle.

The white mist still continued to rise. Mu Chen, who was sitting cross-legged inside the Sovereign Celestial Body, also started to tremble wildly. His entire body was red and blood continuously seeped out from his pores. However, he gritted his teeth hard and did not make any sound at all.

The terrifying temperature was not only burning the Sovereign Celestial Body but was also transmitted onto his body. He felt as if he had been thrown into a pool of underground magma and would be burned into ashes at any moment.

Mu Chen knelt down with his hands supporting himself in front. Sweat was mixed with blood and rolled down from his body. As he gritted his teeth firmly, there was similarly blood seeping out from the crevices between his teeth. His black eyes were filled with streaks of blood and looked particularly ferocious.

Sizzle.

The golden silt continuously flew over and almost covered the Sovereign Celestial Body completely in the end. Under the burn from the golden silt, the Great Solar Undying Body was also gradually shrinking.

It was as if the Celestial Body was being melted.

Sharp pain crazily charged into Mu Chen's mind. Soon, he could no long tolerate it even with his strong perseverance. As blood flew out from his body, his consciousness began to slowly weaken.

He could feel that under the covering of the golden silt, the eight golden dragons were gradually being merged into the Great Solar Undying Body. As long as he could persist until the end, he would be able to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body successfully.

Hence, at this moment, he must persist!

Splash.

While Mu Chen was trying to hold on at the bottom of the Golden Pool, the golden silt was still being swept away continuously. Layers of silt lifted...

As the layers of golden silt were removed, at some point, Mu Chen seemed to feel something. Enduring the sharp pain, he strained to open his eyes and look below.

Then, his eyes narrowed immediately and were filled with horror.

In the deepest part of the Daluo Golden Pool, the golden silt was dancing around, slowly revealing a golden stone platform. The golden platform was only about ten feet long. At the moment, there seemed to be a tiny figure lying calmly on the golden platform.

There is actually a person at the bottom of the Daluo Golden Pool?

The abrupt discovery caused Mu Chen to feel uncontrollably shocked. For a moment, he could even endure the intense pain from his body. He looked over hurriedly and realized that the figure on the golden stone platform seemed to be a naked girl. The girl looked like she was 11 or 12 and had black hair down to her knees. Even though her appearance could not be seen clearly, her petite look was extremely adorable.

Who is she? Why is she here?

However, at the moment, Mu Chen did not feel that she was cute at all, because it was glaringly obvious that the weird little girl was not simple. Mu Chen got an incredibly dangerous feeling from her.

Just as Mu Chen was somewhat shocked by the strange little girl who had appeared at the bottom of the Daluo Golden Pool, the little girl's long eyelashes suddenly moved slightly. Then, to Mu Chen's astonishment, she slowly opened her eyes.

She had a pair of golden pupils. However, the apathy within them caused Mu Chen to feel so frightened, it was as if his head had exploded.

The Great Ruler

Chapter 697: Mandela

Deep within the Daluo Golden Pool, when the strange girl with golden eyes opened her eyes, a chill struck Mu Chen. Without hesitation, he bore the pain within and activated The Great Solar Undying Body. He wanted to leave the place quickly.

Just as he was about to move, the girl with golden eyes looked indifferently at him. She stood up and stepped forth.

Swoosh.

Mu Chen suddenly froze. He looked shocked and dared not move. The little girl had appeared before him. She then passed through the defense of the Sovereign Celestial Body and came before Mu Chen's actual body.

Mu Chen broke out in a cold sweat. He could sense death knocking at his door from the girl's eyes. He believed that the mysterious little girl could easily take his life. There were no feelings in her eyes.

Mu Chen lifted up his head, with much difficulty, and managed to take a good look at the girl. She was fair and expressionless. She looked delicate and had a small build, with long black hair down to her knees.

If Mu Chen had met such a cute girl any other day, he would have been attracted to her. However, he could only feel chilled at this moment. He dared not look at her naked body.

The little girl quietly watched Mu Chen. Her long eyelashes moved, and she stretched out her small hand toward Mu Chen's head.

Upon seeing this, Mu Chen turned pale. He wanted to back away, but the surrounding space had frozen. His connection with The Great Solar Undying Body had been cut off. This girl was extremely powerful.

Mu Chen's body froze, and he could only watch the little girl placing her hand on his forehead. She said softly, "You are feeling pain..."

Red lights suddenly surged in her hand. The red lights then covered Mu Chen's body, causing him to shiver. He then felt the pain in his body going away. Within a few split seconds, the pain in his body was completely gone.

Mu Chen was shocked, and lifted up his head. He saw that the red lights had retracted from between his eyebrows, back to the little girl's hand.

As the red lights retracted to the girl's hand, her hand shook. Her expressionless face moved slightly, and she seemed to be in pain.

When Mu Chen saw this, he could not believe his eyes. The little girl was able to take away the pain from a person's body! However, when she did it, her body would...

That was to say, she had borne the excruciating pain that Mu Chen had experienced earlier. However, she had only reacted slightly, even while bearing such pain.

Is this little girl a strange creature?

After the little girl had drawn away the pain from Mu Chen's body, she no longer bothered herself with him. Instead, she lifted up her face and scrutinized The Great Solar Undying Body. The golden lights in her eyes seemed to be checking on the Sovereign Celestial Body.

After scrutinizing it for a while, her golden eyes turned grave, and she shivered. She bit her lips, then muttered in a shaky voice, "Is this...The Great Solar Undying Body?"

She spoke softly, but Mu Chen had heard her. He was dumbfounded, as he stared at the mysterious little girl. After so many years, this was the first time that someone had recognized The Great Solar Undying Body...

"You...you know about The Great Solar Undying Body?" Mu Chen asked.

The little girl paid no attention to him, but knit her brows together. She suddenly turned to look at Mu Chen, before laying her hand on Mu Chen's chest.

Mu Chen then became nervous, as he could feel the Sovereign Sea in his body surging. He suddenly sensed the Immortal Page shaking continuously. It seemed as though an invisible force was trying to grab it away.

When Mu Chen realized this, he was enraged. This little girl was too outrageous.

The Immortal Page was Mu Chen's deepest secret. This was the clue to The Primordial Immortal Body. He would never let anyone snatch it away.

Mu Chen stomped his feet, and The Great Solar Undying Body shone forth numerous colorful rays. The power that had restrained Mu Chen had been released, and he moved back vigorously.

Swoosh!

However, as he dashed out, the rays of light gathered before him. The little girl followed closely behind, with her hand placed on Mu Chen's chest.

Mu Chen's eyes were glittering fiercely. He gritted his teeth and changed the seal. The Immortal Page in his Sovereign Sea exuded a mysterious purple light.

The purple light runes from the Immortal Page spread out, before dashing out of the Sovereign Sea to the top of Mu Chen's head. They then turned into a huge purple mandala flower.

Then, the mandala flower started to bloom. Under the purple light, it was like a vine, as it speedily twined itself around the little girl.

The little girl stopped moving, and Mu Chen used the chance to escape. He was cautious and filled with fear.

The little girl did not struggle. She lifted up her face to look at the mandala flower. Her expressionless face had now turned into a sweet smile. In fact, she looked as though she had seen something that she adored.

As the purple light from the mandala flower shone on the little girl, it entered into her body. Her face livened up, and she no longer looked indifferent.

Mu Chen was shocked when he saw this. He looked at The Great Solar Undying Body, realizing that the golden silt that had been surrounding the Sovereign Celestial Body had fallen off in pieces. The slits fell off at an increasing speed, shooting forth dazzling golden lights.

Mu Chen stared hard at The Great Solar Undying Body. He wanted to find out if he had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body.

The golden silt had fallen off completely, and dazzling golden lights had swirled out. The Great Solar Undying Body sat cross-legged within the golden lights. Its huge body was dazzling, as though it was made of a gold that could not be destroyed.

There were pictures of eight golden dragons on its body. They seemed to be embedded in the Sovereign Celestial Body, and they looked real. They were majestic and seemed to be protecting the Sovereign Celestial Body.

The Great Solar Undying Body sat at the bottom of the Daluo Golden Pool, like a golden Buddha. It looked invincible, as though no other power could penetrate its Sovereign Celestial Body.

After The Great Solar Undying Body possessed the Daluo Golden Body, it had become more valiant. Mu Chen reckoned that, even if it had been attacked by a Grade Three Sovereign, it would be able to withstand the blow.

He was pleased as he watched The Great Solar Undying Body. It had indeed been worth his pain and effort in cultivating the Daluo Golden Body.

After a while, he recollected himself, as there was a terrifying little girl before his eyes...

Mu Chen turned to look at the little girl, who was under the purple light of the mandala flower. He looked fearful, for he knew that, even though he had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body, it was nothing in the eyes of the powerful little girl.

Mu Chen's eyes glittered, and he changed the seal. The mandala flower shot backward. It then turned into purple light and entered into his body.

The purple light that was covering the little girl had dissipated. The little girl raised her brows and looked angrily at Mu Chen. Her golden eyes were surging with golden lights.

"This thing belongs to me...I need to make a move." Mu Chen smiled wryly.

The little girl knit her brows and thought for a while, her head tilted. She stepped forth and pounced toward Mu Chen. When Mu Chen saw this, he reflexively caught her in his arms.

Mu Chen went blank, as he touched the little girl's body. It was smooth and tender. When he recollected himself, he felt like throwing her away, for he knew that this little girl was not as cute as she looked...

However, he did not do it. He looked down at her and saw that she was lying still in his arms, her face stuck to his chest. Mu Chen could feel purple lights exuding from the Immortal Page, entering into the little girl's body.

Her exquisite porcelain doll-liked face was expressionless. Mu Chen felt less fearful of her, now that she had shut her eyes. This little girl seemed to adore the Immortal Page in his body.

Mu Chen smiled wryly, as he took out a black top to cover her naked body. After hesitating for a while, he cautiously asked, "Who are you? What is your name?"

The little girl had her eyes shut, and after some time, she said in a low voice, "Mandela."

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Chapter 698: The Golden Pool was Sealed

"Mandela?"

When Mu Chen heard this strange name, he was stunned. He got a close look at the girl, but she continued to shut her eyes and could not be bothered with him. Mu Chen could only smile wryly.

He did not know anything about the little girl, and he was curious about her. She was extremely powerful and had surpassed the three kings of Daluo Territory.

She seemed familiar with the Immortal Page. Otherwise, she would not have known that Mu Chen had cultivated the Great Solar Undying Body. This was a rare Sovereign Celestial Body which was not recorded in the 99 Sovereign Celestial Body rankings.

Mu Chen was wary and fearful of her. However, it seemed like she had no intention of leaving and wanted to stick with him. Mu Chen dared not oppose her, for he was afraid that she might kill him if she was enraged.

He would not want to die in that manner.

Moreover, she had stayed because of the Immortal Page.

Sigh...

Mu Chen carried Mandela and sighed helplessly. He formed a seal, and the Great Solar Undying Body shot up, splitting the thick golden lake water apart.

Since Mu Chen had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body, he found it pointless to stay. He could also feel that the Daluo Golden Pool would be sealed up soon.

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Outside the Golden Pool.

The temperature had been high for the past few days. It came from the golden talisman that had been shining like a scorching sun.

Throughout the years that the Daluo Golden Pool had been open, this was the first time that the rays were so strong.

Anyone would have guessed that someone was cultivating the Daluo Golden Body, and the person had been successful in doing so.

Many people were taken aback and at the same time, curious. They were dying to find out who the genius was among the four great commanders.

After all, many geniuses had failed to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body all these years.

The three kings stood quietly in the air and stared at the golden talisman. They looked increasingly shocked.

The light from the talisman had shone for four days without dimming. That was to say, the person who had gone deep down in the Golden Pool had persevered.

"This is interesting," Sleeping King said in amusement. He had been indifferent, but this had aroused his interest.

Condor King and Spiritual Pupil King were shocked as well. Their eyes were shimmering, and they were keen to find out who it was that had such a great achievement. This was the first time throughout the years that someone had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body. Who is this person?

Nine Nether and the other eight Lords looked shocked as well. Lord Asura, Lord Mountain Cracker, and Lord Blood Hawk were tense. If their commanders were the ones who had made it in the Daluo Golden Pool Contest, that would make them famous.

Sleeping King squinted and said suddenly, "It is almost time. The Daluo Golden Pool is about to seal up."

Boom!

Golden lights shot up from the towering hilltop. Everyone hastily looked up and saw three huge shadows tearing the golden light apart before appearing in the sky.

All eyes were fixed on the sky.

The three huge shadows were Sovereign Celestial Bodies. Golden lights were dazzling around them, making them look invulnerable and valiant. A strong wind whizzed past them.

When the people saw the three Sovereign Celestial Bodies, they were disappointed. Although the three Sovereign Celestial Bodies were valiant, they were far from achieving the Daluo Golden Body.

Dong!

At the peak of the Golden Pool, a huge golden light beam shot up to the sky, and a huge golden figure stepped forth.

The huge shadow was as bright as gold, with a huge sun hanging behind his head. Eight dragon symbols seemed to be moving on its body, and cries of a dragon could indistinctly be heard.

As the golden light burst forth, an unknown oppression spread out and outshone the three Sovereign Celestial Bodies.

Everyone looked at it and gasped in shock.

"Eight dragon symbols... It is indeed the Daluo Golden Body..."

As the light died down and the Sovereign Celestial Bodies disappeared, the people saw the actual bodies of Xu Qing, Zhou Yue, and Wu Tian.

The three of them were looking at the golden Sovereign Celestial Body as well. Xu Qing and Zhou Yue looked confused, whereas Wu Tian found it unbelievable. He was filled with envy and unhappiness.

No one had expected Mu Chen to have successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body!

They had gone deep into the Daluo Golden Pool and knew how horrifying the pressure was. It was not within their ability to go down beyond 2,000 feet to absorb the power of the Golden Pool.

However, Mu Chen had managed to do it, and he only had the strength of a Grade One Sovereign!

Xu Qing and Zhou Yue looked at Mu Chen and turned grave. They suddenly became fearful of him. This mild-looking youth seemed to have kept many things within himself.

Wu Tian looked grim, and a murderous intent flashed in his eyes. His desire to kill Mu Chen grew stronger as Mu Chen became more powerful.

"It is Mu Chen!"

Tang Bing and Tang Rou were elated. Many people from the Nine Nether Troop were excited as well. They started to look at Mu Chen with admiration. After all these years, Mu Chen was the only commander who had managed to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body in the Daluo Golden Pool.

Nine Nether had looked indifferent but now smiled. Mu Chen's achievement had made Nine Nether Palace famous. No one in the Daluo Territory would ever dare to look down on Nine Nether Palace again.

The eight Lords were shocked with the outcome. Most of them shook their heads in disbelief.

Lord Blood Hawk was the only one who sat on the stone platform looking grimly at the bright golden body.

Sleeping King laughed and said, "Hahaha, it is truly him."

Condor King looked pleased and said, "It seems like Nine Nether has brought back a guy with great potential." Nine Nether had good foresight. Mu Chen was way better than Cao Feng in terms of his personality and potential.

Spiritual Pupil King smiled and looked unfathomable.

The Sovereign Celestial Body that seemed to be made of gold gradually disappeared, and Mu Chen appeared before the people.

There was an uproar. Although they knew that it was Mu Chen when they saw the Sovereign Celestial Body, now that it had been confirmed, they could not help feeling emotional.

No one had expected such an outcome.

This was the first time in Daluo Territory's history that a Grade One Sovereign had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body. Mu Chen was the only one.

Mu Chen felt at a loss in the sky. He was certain that the little girl, Mandela, was in his arms earlier, but there was no one in his arms now...

"She must have hidden herself."

Mu Chen smiled wryly. This little girl was extremely powerful. If she had wanted to hide herself, even the three kings would not have found her. Mu Chen could not tell if it was a misfortune to have met her.

"Hahaha, congratulations, Mu Chen. You are the first one at Grade One Sovereign to cultivate the Daluo Golden Body. You have broken the record." As Mu Chen was feeling lost, he heard the Condor King laughing loudly.

"Thank you, masters."

Mu Chen looked at the three kings and cupped his fist.

"You are capable." Sleeping King, who was reserved, smiled. He suddenly frowned and looked baffled. After a while, he shook his head and ignored the illusion that he had.

Condor King looked at the crowd and said, "The Daluo Golden Pool Contest ends here." He suddenly lowered his voice and said, "The Great Hunting Battle is around the corner. I hope everyone will hone their skills."

At the mention of the Great Hunting Battle, the noise suddenly died down, and there was a great silence. Indistinctly, a cold, bloody chill filled the air.

"Yes!" the nine Lords replied in a deep voice.

When the three kings heard their response, they did not say another word. They waved their sleeves, and the golden light on the peak of the Golden Pool disappeared. The current had been blocked, and the peak of the Golden Pool sealed up.

Mu Chen landed toward the direction of Nine Nether Palace. Everyone gathered together with joy.

"Let's go."

Nine Nether smiled at Mu Chen and led the people out. She had no intention of staying.

As they were walking down the stone platform, they came face to face with Lord Blood Hawk, who was leading his group of mighty men out. As Nine Nether brushed past Lord Blood Hawk, the killing intent in their eyes was so immense that it sent a cold chill down everyone's spines.

Lord Blood Hawk stopped beside Mu Chen and looked at him with his red eyes. He said flatly, "There are too many geniuses in this world. Be careful. Don't die too early..."

Mu Chen squinted and smiled coldly.

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Chapter 699: The Great Hunting Battle

In Nine Nether Palace.

When the Daluo Golden Pool Contest had ended, Nine Nether Palace was filled with joy. Everyone was excited. For the past few years, when Nine Nether went missing, Nine Nether Palace's position in Daluo Territory had been on the decline. Other sects had been suppressing them, but they could only swallow the insult.

Fortunately, they had not waited in vain, as Nine Nether had returned strong. The newly appointed commander had displayed great strength and was driven. He had not only defeated Cao Feng and got a place in the Golden Pool Contest, he had successfully cultivated the Daluo Golden Body, which no one had done before.

All the masters in the Daluo Territory were shocked. No one in the Daluo Territory would ever dare look down on Nine Nether Palace from now on.

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Nine Nether leaned against a pillar in the main hall, smiling gently as she looked at Nine Nether Palace, which was a place now filled with joy.

"It is all thanks to you," Nine Nether tilted her head and said to Mu Chen with a smile.

Although Nine Nether's return had brought back some life to Nine Nether Palace, she could not interfere in the matters, due to the rules of the Daluo Territory. Mu Chen's achievement had brought back vitality to Nine Nether Palace and increased their confidence.

"It is my honor to serve the princess," Mu Chen said jokingly.

Nine Nether pouted her lips and looked extremely gentle. Her beautiful eyes seemed to be filled with halos, making her look captivating.

"You are in the limelight now, so you have to be careful. Lord Blood Hawk is narrow-minded, and he will seek revenge for the smallest grievance. I am not afraid of him, but I am worried that he might use covert means," Nine Nether squinted her eyes and said.

Mu Chen nodded. He then asked, "What is the Great Hunting Battle that the Condor King was talking about?"

At the mention of the Great Hunting Battle, Nine Nether looked grave and became serious. After a while, she said, "This is a cruel battle that involves all the forces of the North Territory in the Tianluo Continent."

Mu Chen was a bit shocked. He knew that the Tianluo Continent made up of four territories in the north, south, east and west. The Daluo Territory was located in the North Territory.

North Territory consisted of many forces, be it great or small. There were many strong forces like it around, and it was flooded with top powers. The Great Hunting Battle must be a great event, since it involved all these forces. Hence, the scale must be very big.

"After every Hunting Battle, many forces will disappear. Even those top powers will be seriously injured. For thousands of years, many top powers have been defeated in the Hunting Battle. They were then encroached by the strong groups, only to become history themselves," Nine Nether said softly.

Mu Chen's face changed, as he asked, "Why?"

He was wondering why there was such a horrifying and cruel battle.

"This is all over territory, resources, and ambition," Nine Nether said flatly. "For thousands of years, there were many outstanding people in the North Territory, but no one has successfully become the North Territory Overlord. However, this has been the ambition of everyone. The Great Hunting Battle came about because of this."

"During the previous Great Hunting Battle, there were 10 top forces. After it ended, four top forces had been defeated and annexed by the remaining six forces."

Mu Chen was stunned. Four top forces had been defeated...He could feel the cruelty and smelled the blood simply from hearing these few words. Many Sovereign Masters must have been killed in this battle.

Although Mu Chen did not know how powerful the four top forces were, judging from the power of the Daluo Territory, they must have been very powerful. Otherwise, they would not have been known as the top forces.

If they had been placed in the Northern Heavens Continent, they would have ruled over it. However, in the North Territory of the Tianluo Continent, they were in danger of being destroyed. Thus, the competition in the North Territory must have been extremely brutal.

"The forces in North Territory will change after every Great Hunting Battle. The winner will become more powerful, whereas the loser will lose everything. No forces can be independent, according to the rules of the North Territory. Unless...the North Territory Overlord appears."

Mu Chen slowly let out the chilled air within him. This was the first time he felt the cruelty in The Great Thousand World, based on what Nine Nether had said. This was not the Northern Spiritual Academy. One could clearly see the concept of survival of the fittest being applied in this place, where even such a top force like the Daluo Territory faced many threats. If there was any slight decline in its power, many people would be eyeing it, and they would not hesitate to encroach upon it.

The Great Hunting Battle was a cruel elimination, using the natural selection method. Moreover, the Hunting Battle would continue till the Overlord appeared in this Continent.

"To survive in the Tianluo Continent, one needs to have the backing of one of the top forces. If not, he will be easily destroyed," Nine Nether said.

Mu Chen nodded his head. In such a place, where there are no rules and regulations, one would have great difficulty in progressing, unless he had someone to back him up. Mu Chen was fortunate to have the backing of the Daluo Territory. As long as the Daluo Territory remained, he would have it as a backing. He would have to pray hard that the Daluo Territory would not be destroyed in the Great Hunting Battle...

"You don't have to worry about this. We still have some time before the Great Hunting Battle starts. Anyway, there is no point worrying over such things," Nine Nether said with a smile.

Mu Chen smiled wryly. This level of cross swords was beyond his current ability. He could only look up to it. To be in power, one has to be in the top level, like the mysterious Dominator of the Daluo Territory.

"Now, we just have to focus on what is before us." Nine Nether smiled, but her eyes looked cold. "Lord Blood Hawk has lost, and he will not leave the matter at that. Nine Nether Palace should also start to take back what belongs to us. We will participate in the Great Hunting Battle, so we must increase our strength. If not, we will be taken over by the others."

"I also wish to see the capability of Blood Hawk Palace," Mu Chen nodded and said. After Nine Nether left, the territory that had belonged to Nine Nether Palace had been snatched over by the Blood Hawk Palace. This had made them the laughing stock of the Daluo Territory. It was a shame for a Lord not to be able to protect his own territory.

However, Mu Chen would make sure that no one would laugh at them anymore. He would get back all the things that used to belong to Nine Nether Palace!

Nine Nether nodded lightly and as she was about to continue talking, she suddenly focused her attention behind Mu Chen, as she asked, "Who is she?"

Mu Chen was shocked when he heard it, and slowly turned around. A little girl in black was sitting quietly on the railing, gently shaking her legs. She looked calmly at Mu Chen with her big golden eyes.

It was Mandela, whom Mu Chen had met at the Daluo Golden Pool. However, she had disappeared after that, and now, re-appeared out of nowhere...

Nine Nether looked at Mu Chen's ghastly face. She squinted her eyes and realized that something was amiss. The little girl had appeared out of nowhere, and even Nine Nether had not realized it.

The spiritual energy in Nine Nether's body surged, and a purple flame appeared in her hand. Mandela looked flatly at Nine Nether.

Mu Chen hastily stood before Nine Nether and deterred her. He knew that Mandela was extremely powerful and that Nine Nether was no match for her.

"She is Mandela," Mu Chen said.

"Do you know her?" Nine Nether was a little taken aback and asked.

After hesitating for a while, Mu Chen told Nine Nether about Mandela. Nine Nether widened her eyes and looked at Mandela. She was shocked that Mandela had slept in the Daluo Golden Pool for so many years, and especially that the three kings and Dominator did not know of her existence.

Is she a strange creature?

Nine Nether raised her eyebrows, wary and fearful of the little girl. She was thinking about whether she should tell the Condor King about this.

"Don't tell anyone about me. Because then, even the three fellas will not be able to protect you." As she was having this thought, Mandela spoke. Her voice was clear and soft, but it still made one nervous.

Nine Nether turned pale and stared at Mandela. She asked, "Who are you?"

Mandela stood on the railing. Her long black hair flew in the wind, as she lifted up her face and said, "Don't worry. If I wanted to do anything to you, you will not be able to stop me."

Mu Chen shrugged helplessly. She was right. Given her strength, even if she had wanted to kill them, no one would be able to stop her.

Nine Nether looked at Mandela and asked, "Why are you following Mu Chen?"

Mandela tilted her head and looked at Mu Chen. She stamped her feet and pounced toward him. When Mu Chen saw it, he smiled wryly and extended his arms to catch hold of her.

Mandela laid comfortably in Mu Chen's arms, pressing her face against his chest. She shut her intimidating golden eyes and her voice became soft.

"I want him to carry me to sleep," Mandela pouted her lips and said, before closing her eyes. When Nine Nether heard this, she could not help raising her brows.

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Chapter 700: Use the Fists

Nine Nether left. However, before she left, she gave Mu Chen a weird look that caused him to twitch. She looked as though she were looking at a little girl who had been bullied...

He could not explain to her what Mandela had said and could only sigh. He then carried Mandela to his room.

Mu Chen laid her on the bed and asked after a while, "Have you come to me because of the Immortal Page?"

Mandela opened her eyes slightly and looked lazily at Mu Chen and said, "Are you thinking that I am doing this because of you?"

"Do you know about the Immortal Divine Law?" Mu Chen asked, with his eyes shimmering.

Mandela squinted like a cat, but she did not say a word. Mu Chen knew the answer and his heart pounded quickly.

She knew about the Immortal Divine Law, so she must have known about the Primordial Immortal Body!

Who is this little girl, and where is she from?

"It is better not to ask. It will not do you any good." As Mu Chen was about to ask, Mandela turned aside. Although she sounded soft, she also sounded authoritative.

Mu Chen smiled and asked, "Can you tell me, what benefit do you get from the Immortal Page in my body?"

Mandela was silent for a while before saying, "The Immortal Page contains the divine runes of Ancient Mandala Flower. This is a divine flower that has the power to seal everything. I need it to suppress the curse in my body."

"Curse?" Mu Chen was shocked.

"It is a curse that makes one feel like a living hell." Mandela sounded extraordinarily calm and said, "It continually causes one to be in excruciating pain that even a Grade Nine Sovereign could not take."

Mu Chen was stunned. Even a Grade Nine Sovereign would not be able to take the pain?

"Would you like to try?" Mandela looked at Mu Chen and smiled. She extended her hand, and red light shot out like lightning onto Mu Chen's body.

Mu Chen froze and suddenly shook violently. His eyes turned red, and his face twitched. He let out a groan.

Mu Chen felt excruciating pain in every part of his body.

It made him lose his mind. However, the pain came quickly and went quickly as well. In a split second, the pain was gone.

Mu Chen sat on a chair and broke out in a cold sweat. He looked angrily at Mandela and said, "What have you done?"

Mandela curled up her lips and said, "It is just a short while and you can't take it? I have been bearing that pain all this time."

Mu Chen was stunned. He looked at Mandela, who was sitting on the bed, cuddling her knees. He suddenly felt sorry for her. The pain that he had experienced was only for a split second, but Mandela had been bearing it all the while. Under the torment, she was still able to remain calm. Her ability to endure could be due to her strength, but it also showed her amazing willpower.

"Can the divine runes of the mandala flower in the Immortal Page help you to remove the curse?" Mu Chen asked.

"Remove? It is not possible." Mandala laughed mockingly and said, "It can only suppress it. Only the real Ancient Mandala Flower can remove the curse."

Mu Chen was silent. He had not heard of the Ancient Mandala Flower. It must be more uncommon than the three items that he needed to cultivate the Great Solar Undying Body.

"Don't worry, I will not snatch away your Immortal Page. It has gradually merged with you. If I snatch it away from you, the divine runes might be destroyed," Mandela said as she looked at Mu Chen. She thought that Mu Chen was worried she would snatch the Immortal Page away from him.

Mu Chen heaved a sigh of relief. He looked at Mandela and asked, "Am I right to say that your name is not Mandela?"

Mandela did not deny it. "It is just a name."

"One more thing..." Mu Chen sized Mandela up and said, "Is this how you actually look? I do not believe that a little girl can be so powerful."

The little girl must be a monster. As Mu Chen thought of himself carrying a monster, he shivered. He found it hard to accept.

When Mandela saw his look, she snorted and said, "Don't use the age of a human being to guess the age of others. In terms of age, the Nine Netherworld Bird is much older than you."

"Are you not a human being?" Mu Chen asked in shock.

Mandela glanced at Mu Chen and did not reply. She tucked herself into bed and said lazily, "You can continue to cultivate. As long as I am near you, I can tap on the divine runes of the Ancient Mandala Flower to suppress the curse."

"How does it benefit me?" Mu Chen asked with smile.

Mandela stuck her little head out of the blanket. She looked weirdly at Mu Chen and said, "I did not kill you. Is this not good enough for you?"

Mu Chen twitched his mouth. He gritted his teeth and said, "You win!"

Mu Chen sat cross-legged beside the bed and did not bother about her. He closed his eyes and made a seal. He gradually went into the mode of cultivation.

Mandela got out of the blanket and looked at Mu Chen. Lights flashed across her big golden eyes and she muttered, "The Great Solar Undying Body has re-appeared..."

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In the next few days, Nine Nether allowed Mu Chen to rest after the battle at Daluo Golden Pool. While he was resting, Nine Nether Palace was bustling with activity.

After the battle at Daluo Golden Pool, Mu Chen had helped Nine Nether Palace earn back some dignity. Nine Nether wanted to use the opportunity to restore the reputation of Nine Nether Palace. Among the nine Lords, Nine Nether Palace had the weakest foundation. To increase its strength, they had to at the least get back the territories that had once belonged to Nine Nether Palace.

Every year, these territories would hand over large amounts of Sovereign Spiritual Liquid, which Nine Nether Palace was short of. This was especially the case after Mu Chen had given his promise to the Nine Nether Troop.

Without sufficient Sovereign Spiritual Liquid, it would be difficult for Nine Nether Palace to survive, let alone grow. Now, the sects in the entire Daluo Territory were watching Nine Nether Palace. They were waiting to see if Nine Nether Palace, which had created such great momentum, would become a laughing stock.

On the same day, Nine Nether sent men to those cities that had once belonged to Nine Nether Palace. The message was simple:

Submit themselves to Nine Nether Palace once again.

Many people were shocked with what Nine Nether was doing, and some were laughing at her. Nine Nether, after all, is a woman. She is incompetent in handling things. She thinks that the dukes who have submitted to Blood Hawk Palace will change their minds simply at her words?

The outcome was as expected. More than 50 cities had been notified, but only a handful of dukes who had been exploited by Blood Hawk Palace had agreed to submit to Nine Nether Palace. The rest of the dukes did not reply. A few dukes who were on close terms with Blood Hawk Palace had not only refused to submit to Nine Nether Palace, they even chased the messengers out. They were extremely haughty since they had the backing of Blood Hawk Palace.

They had no regard for Nine Nether Palace as its power was weak in Daluo Territory.

The top guy in Nine Nether Palace seemed to be in a sorry state. Many people in Daluo Territory shook their heads. Those in Blood Hawk Palace mocked Nine Nether Palace, and vented their anger over the suppression from Mu Chen at Daluo Golden Pool.

As the entire Daluo Territory was watching what Nine Nether Palace was doing, it was peaceful within the palace.

In the main hall of Nine Nether Palace.

The black-armored Nine Nether Troop stood upright, and the atmosphere was filled with fighting spirit that made one shudder.

Nine Nether stood in front of the main hall with her black armor on. She looked at the scrolls in her hands with the recorded responses of the cities.

She looked calm and was not angry at all. She smiled and lifted her head to look at Mu Chen, who was below. With a flick of her fingers, the scroll landed in Mu Chen's hand.

"Here is the list. The ball is now in your court."

Mu Chen held the scroll and smiled. He turned around and looked at the army in black and said flatly, "You must have heard the news in Daluo Territory for the past few days. When some people serve a new master, they forget about the respect that they ought to have for the old. What shall we do with such people?"

"Kill them!" everyone shouted out in unison. The Nine Nether Troop was burning with killing intent. After bearing suppression for so many years, they could no longer take it lying down.

"Others are thinking that our reasoning is all talk..."

Mu Chen looked coldly around, and his body slowly rose up. In the next instant, a majestic spiritual energy swirled out like a windstorm. "Today, we shall let them know that we use our fists to reason!

"Let's go!" Mu Chen shouted. He turned into a streamer and shot out. When Tang Bing saw it, she waved her hand, and the Nine Nether Troop flew up like dark clouds.

The ominous aura that shot up to the sky caused the sects in all of Daluotian to shiver. Nine Nether Palace was about to start using the harsh way...