

Tales of Herding Gods Chapter 76-80

Chapter 76: Troops Of Wolves And Tigers

Qin Mu shook open the 'sweat towel' and looked at the quality of the silk, "I originally thought that your odor was fragrant and very familiar. It turned out that we are using the same kind of fabric."

Ling Yuxiu looked at the 'sweat towel' and her face instantly turned beet red. She immediately snatched over the 'sweat towel' in anger and embarrassment, "This is mine! How come it's with you? You even treat it as a sweat towel! I'm ignoring you!"

The girl stomped angrily and squatted on top of the dragon's head. She rested her chin on her hands and looked far away.

Qin Mu was stunned, "This is your sweat towel?"

"It's not a sweat towel!"

Ling Yuxiu was angry, "This is my, my... I'm ignoring you!"

"If it's not a sweat towel then what is it?"

The youth was puzzled, "My Grandpa Cripple gave this to me and said it was used to wipe sweat. I saw that the quality was good that's why I brought it along with me. Since it's yours then I shall return it to you. Why must you be angry?"

Ling Yuxiu threw down her feminine undergarment angrily, "Even if you return it to me I don't want it!"

Qin Mu's vital qi flew out and swept the feminine undergarment back into his hand, "If you throw it down like this, other people will pick it up and use it as a sweat towel. Won't it be better to give it to me, I sweat a lot when I'm training."

Ling Yuxiu got angry, "Return it to me!"

The youth was even more bewildered, "Why should I return it to you when you're going to throw it away? Isn't better to give it to me for wiping my sweat..."

Ling Yuxiu snatched it back and pondered. She then took out a handkerchief and passed it to him, "This is a girl's personal stuff. As a man, aren't you ashamed of using it? Let me give you this handkerchief. It's also weaved from Nature Fragrance Silk. There is still my embroidery on it, just use this to wipe your sweat."

Qin Mu received the handkerchief and on it sewed a crooked pig head, "That's a really ugly embroidery."

Ling Yuxiu was angry and anxious, "If you don't want it then return it to me!"

Qin Mu immediately kept it and went forward to sit beside her, "You took my sweat towel, therefore, it's natural that you should give me something in return. What you took from me was much bigger than the one you gave me, I'm still the one on the losing end."

The sun had risen high up in the sky. The sunshine of early spring had a sweet warmth as the youth laid down contently and looked at the fleeting clouds in the sky.

Ling Yuxiu blinked her eyes and asked, "Do you think that the fatty seventh young master who's chubby is good looking?"

Qin Mu gave it some thought and said, "He's okay looking, but he has a very strong feminine side, making him not like a man but more like a woman."

Ling Yuxiu couldn't resist stroking her hair that was hanging down the front of her chest and giggled, "Do you think I'm good looking?"

Qin Mu looked at her seriously and said, "Even though your face is slightly fat, you are still pretty good looking."

Ling Yuxiu was very satisfied and asked curiously, "Why didn't you escape from the city after killing Fu Yundi's son and instead, came back?"

"There's something I need to do ."

Qin Mu closed his eyes and said indifferently, "The Eternal Peace Empire's great army is reaching here soon, I'm here to stop the invasion of Eternal Peace Empire."

Ling Yuxiu's heart slightly jolted. She had a serious expression and slowly said, "You know you are trying to strike a stone with an egg? The commoners of Eternal Peace Empire lived in peace and worked happily, every sect and every clan followed the rules of the Imperial Family and kept our entire empire in order. In our borders, there isn't any war and there are only some small conflicts so how can't it be compared to Great Ruins? How disorderly is Great Ruins? The people here have no way to make a living and are always murdering each other. They don't even know when their next meal will be. Coming to Great Ruins, I have seen countless of people selling their sons and daughters. Their situation was extremely pitiful. The Eternal Peace Empire's great army is then the righteous troops. Therefore you should give up on resisting and take the initiative to welcome Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor."

Qin Mu opened his eyes with a profound gaze, "The people of Great Ruins doesn't want to live here either, but I've heard that the people of Great Ruins are called people abandoned by gods. If they leave Great Ruins, they will be captured at the borders of Eternal Peace Empire. Some will be executed straightaway and others will be sold off as slaves to mine ores, dead within the next few years."

He sat up and his fingers were interlocked in front of his knees. He had a calm expression, "They only wanted to live better yet they would only die faster by going over to Eternal Peace. Wouldn't it be better for them to live in Great Ruins where they could still get by? If the Eternal Peace Empire was to invade Great Ruins, how would they treat us, the people abandoned by gods? Will they kill us or make us slaves?"

“Sister Yuxiu, the emperor of Eternal Peace Empire and Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor doesn’t have the commoners here in their eyes but only the land, the land abandoned by gods. Abandoned people lived in the land abandoned by gods and have to face the darkness invasion every night. Every morning they would also have to face all kinds of danger during hunting but at least they could still live and let their children survive. However if Eternal Peace Empire were to conquer here, they won’t even have a place to live in anymore.”

Ling Yuxiu stared blankly. She has never thought about things like this. She has only felt that the Eternal Peace Empire was righteous and never thought about what would happen to the people here.

She couldn’t resist asking, “Did you know? If you fight against the Eternal Peace Empire’s great army, only death is waiting for you! There is no chance of surviving!”

Qin Mu revealed a radiant smile that was full of confidence. He raised his head towards the east, “No! The emperor of Eternal Peace Empire and Imperial Preceptor will encounter a cropper here. They will face an insurmountable wall here and their forces will be crippled! They don’t know what lies in this mysterious lands and what they’ll face! Eternal Peace’s undefeatable legend will have to end here today!”

Ling Yuxiu rose up and said angrily, “You stubborn mule! Why bother when you’ll definitely die in this city?”

Qin Mu rose and looked directly into her eyes, “The abandoned people will only face death when they reach Eternal Peace Empire. Now that the Eternal Peace Empire is planning on invading here and converting here into the lands of Eternal Peace, there is no doubt that the abandoned people will die. Since we’ll definitely die if we don’t fight back, why can’t the abandoned people fight back to have a chance at survival?”

Ling Yuxiu got flustered by his gaze and walked down the dragon’s head back onto the platform. She turned her head to look at him and gritted her teeth, “I’m from Eternal Peace Empire and my motive here this time is to take over the territory of Great Ruins, to make this place part of Eternal Peace Empire’s territory.”

Qin Mu nodded his head.

Ling Yuxiu continued, “It’s impossible for me to betray Eternal Peace. Anyone who opposes Eternal Peace Empire will be my enemy!”

Qin Mu nodded his head again, “I’m an abandoned people and I would never betray Great Ruins.”

Ling Yuxiu turned and walked towards the stairs at the platform, her figure vanished but her voice traveled out from the inside of the stone pillar, “If I meet you in battle, I won’t show any mercy!”

Qin Mu looked afar and saw the smoke in the distance that was like a dense fog shrouding dozens of miles that was moving over here. He muttered, “Me too.”

In the dense fog, thousands of behemoths were paving the way forward. These behemoths had long tusks and bodies like mountains. Their bodies were covered with bone armor and were carrying heavy

stuff yet their speed wasn't slow. When they're walking, their bone armor collided with each other and gave off clattering sounds.

Behind the behemoths were a vast army as far as eyes got to see. The army gave off an austere atmosphere and had fluttering gonfalons. In the middle of the army, war chariots drove forward and there were also ships flying in the sky.

The ships were filled with soldiers and at the core of every ship, were over a dozen apothecaries making pellets and medicines in a frenzy. There were also boys continuously feeding spirit pellets and miraculous medicines into the great furnace of the ship.

When those spirit pellets and miraculous medicines were tossed into the great furnace, they immediately turned into violent magic power and rushed out from the great furnace and into the two sculptures of the Blast Beasts at the aft part of the ship. The violent blast of air spurted out from the sculptures of the Blast Beasts caused the ship to rise up and fly forward.

Eternal Peace Empire's great army traveled over from the borders and these were just the vanguards. There was an even stronger force gathered at the borders!

Back there, the gonfalons of Imperial Preceptor fluttered.

Qin Mu looked at the Eternal Peace Empire's great army that was coming closer and his heart dropped. Every soldier in the army was a practitioner who experienced harsh battles. The so-called troops of wolves and tigers were referring to such a great army exactly!

Against such a great army, it was as if the Border Dragon City seemed to be extremely stable had become a piece of paper that could be broken through easily!

"Eternal Peace Empire..." Qin Mu suppressed the shock in his heart and muttered.

Village Chief once said that Eternal Peace Empire was a sect that was disguised as an empire. The way Qin Mu sees it, an empire sure had greater power than a sect, having a greater cohesion and an even greater explosive force!

When a sect becomes a strict and structured organization consisting of a faultless official system and a country that's training their next generation, how powerful will they become?

Becoming an empire was the final path a sect needed to take to expand!

In the City Lord's Manor, Granny Si who was wearing Fu Yundi's skin put her hands behind her and the Eightfold Heavenly God appeared behind her, making Border Dragon City Lord Fu Yundi seemed bold and overbearing, "Imperial Preceptor is finally here..."

In front of the gambling den, Blind propped himself up with his cane and bent an ear to the sound of the moving army that was coming closer and closer.

At the market entrance, a butcher who only had the upper half of his body was sharpening his knife. In the bookstore on the opposite street, a deaf man who was wearing iron ears was painting in the

courtyard, his brush being three yards long. Deaf painted crazily like a maniac and a Lightning Cloud Painting that was several yards long rose into up into the sky after he was done.

The painting rose into the sky and gradually disappeared. In a split second, the sky was filled with thunderous clouds and numerous bolts of lightning came down from the sky, giving off crackling sounds.

Chapter 77: Heavenly Painting Crown Prince

On the dragon pillar, Qin Mu raised his head and saw that the area that was shrouded by thunderous clouds which were getting wider and wider as it spread outwards. It was like a huge vortex with countless of bolts of lightning striking down continuously but they were still circling around the vortex.

The thunderous clouds were moving towards the vanguard of Eternal Peace Empire. A lightning suddenly struck the ground and sparks instantly scattered all around like golden snakes, giving off a loud world shaking sound at the same time.

What followed was multiple bolts of lightning that seemed to have found their target. As they struck down from the sky, the scene was like numerous huge plows from the sky plowing down onto the great army of Eternal Peace Empire!

Boom boom boom—

Numerous bolts of lightning contacted the vanguard of Eternal Peace Empire and in less than a breath's time, the behemoths were fried into crisps. With the lightning striking the behemoths, some behemoths' belly split open as if they were sliced by sharp swords.

The behemoths cried out in pain and fled in all directions. Some even ran backward and stomped many soldiers to death during their stampede.

The rolling thunder and lightning soon caught up to the army, throwing the soldiers and the cavalries into disarray. It was unknown how many soldiers had been struck by the lightning and died on the spot.

A ship was struck by multiple lightning and was instantly set ablaze. The furnaces in the core of the ship exploded, turning the apothecaries and the boys in the medicine room into flaming people.

The violent medicinal energy in the medicine furnace rushed out from the medicine room and into the great furnace. The great furnace was unable to convert the terrifying amount of medicinal energy in time and exploded with a bang. The huge ship instantly shattered into pieces, disintegrating in the sky!

There were also some ships that had their great furnaces destroyed and had no more propulsion, causing them to drop down from the sky with a trail of thick billowing smoke, crushing countless of soldiers who were unable to escape in time.

Originally, Eternal Peace Empire had a pressurizing atmosphere on the city but now its grandeur was all gone. All that was left was chaos.

“General Lu, these thunderous clouds are peculiar. It's as if they are coming for our Eternal Peace Army!”

A scout came to report urgently. Reaching the middle army, he genuflected and cupped his hands, "The thunderous clouds shrouded a radius of thirty miles and there's not a single cloud outside thirty miles!"

That General Lu was majestic and sturdy. A radiant light flashed across his eyes and said solemnly, "Let the Wind Marquis Troop move out and blow away the thunderous clouds!"

"Understood! Pass down the general's order to blow away the thunderous clouds!"

Behind him, the soldiers of a troop were wearing strange clothing and all had huge bottle gourds that were half the height of a human on their backs. When all the soldiers opened their mouths of the bottle gourds, black wind instantly soared into the sky from the bottle gourd.

The troop executed their vital qi and pointed their fingers, causing the black wind to whistle and swell up, turning into violent gusts that swept toward the thunderous clouds in the sky.

However, at this moment, at the bookstore in the city, Deaf's second painting was ready. It was a painting of tornadoes and storms. With a flick of his brush, the Tornado Storm Painting rose into the sky and vanished.

Just as the Wind Marquis Troop cast their spells to use the black wind to blow away the thunderous clouds, the situation suddenly changed unexpectedly. From the thunderous clouds, huge tornadoes that were like the tails of divine dragons hung down and were thrust into the numerous soldiers of the great army.

There wasn't a single tornado but over a dozen of tornadoes sweeping up the Wind Marquis Troop's black wind, fusing them into the tornadoes and increasing the tornadoes' power. Numerous soldiers were swept into the air and flailed helplessly.

What's even more terrifying was when these soldiers were swept into mid-air, numerous bolts of lightning struck down and burned their bodies into crisps!

It didn't matter if they were martial arts practitioners or divine arts practitioners, they were all helpless against the power of nature!

The wind and lightning raged and was followed by a shower pouring down from the sky, soaking the Eternal Peace Empire's army thoroughly. When the lightning struck down onto the soaked soldiers and landed on the ground soaked by water, it baselessly increased the power of the lightning!

The bodies of numerous people shuddered and became distorted, burning them into crisps.

"Demons and monsters, how impudent! Black Tortoise Troop, raise your shield!"

General Lu flew into a rage and slammed both his hands down. His body soared into the air and slaughtered towards the thunderous clouds in mid-air. Moving to and fro, he destroyed the tornadoes directly.

Bolts of lightning struck towards him but before the lightning could reach him, it was deflected away by the glow given off by the armor, disallowing the lightning to hit his body.

Below, the Black Tortoise Troop shouted in unison and their vital qi turned into huge shields that soared into the air. The vital qi shields floated thirty over yards above the various troops that helped to cover them from the shower.

The bolts of lightning were also blocked by the Black Tortoise's shield, pacifying the hearts of the troops. The military officers of various troops immediately reorganized their forces and slew all the army deserters, regrouping after their setback.

In Border Dragon City, another huge painting flew into the sky. However, it was a Hundred Demons Painting.

The Hundred Demons Painting slowly disappeared into the sky and vanished without a trace.

After it disappeared, vicious looking devil gods slew their way out from the thunderous clouds and surrounded General Lu to slaughter his men. General Lu's scalp turned numb and he struggled with his life to defend, yet at this moment, another huge painting flew out from Border Dragon City. General Lu sneaked a glance towards it only to be frightened stiff.

It was a Falling Meteor Painting and in the painting were numerous meteors were falling from the sky!

"Fall back!"

Just as General Lu shouted, the meteorological phenomenon in the sky suddenly changed. Huge meteors with blazing tails trailing behind them fell from the sky, tearing through the heavens and smashing toward the Eternal Peace Empire's great army.

"The paintings of one man that could defend against a million mighty soldiers. This makes me think of one person."

At the border between Eternal Peace Empire and Great Ruins. In the city gate tower at the border, a middle-aged man with long and shapely eyebrows stood there. Behind him were generals. The middle-aged man was Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor and even when the Eternal Peace Empire's great army landed in a critical situation, he remained unmoved and calmly said, "Back when Heavenly Painting Country was still around, the Heavenly Painting Crown Prince was unmatched in his generation and had peerless talent. He was the most beautiful man in Heavenly Painting Country and also the most talented. However he was enthralled in painting and calligraphy, He once said he didn't care about the matters of the world and only focused on reading the holy books. When Military Wolf Country invaded and wanted to wipe out Heavenly Painting Country, the Heavenly Painting Country couldn't resist their attacks. Meanwhile, the Heavenly Painting Crown Prince was still enthralled in his path of painting and when he woke up, Military Wolf Country had breached the country and was slaughtering his people. His father, the emperor of Heavenly Painting Country was also killed and had his head paraded around by the soldiers."

Behind him, the generals of Eternal Peace Empire listened silently and didn't open their mouths. A sword at the waist of a general suddenly soared into the air and transformed into a ray of light that flew into the distance. It flew straight for the hundred demons and devil gods in the thick clouds!

"Then the Heavenly Painting Crown Prince turned crazy."

The long eyebrow Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor had a deep gaze as he continued, "His two ears didn't care about listening to the matters of the world that caused the destruction of his country so what good were these ears? He was an extreme person and bawled on the street. He sliced off his ears and pierced his eardrums. He used the blood of his people to draw and drew out hell. He drew the eighteen levels of hell."

"Afterwards, the entire country of Heavenly Painting Country vanished and became a bottomless abyss. The millions of soldiers of Military Wolf Country fell into the black abyss and became a part of hell, getting eaten by the demon gods of hell. Some of the strong practitioners tried to escape but they were captured by the devil gods and dragged back into hell.

"After that battle, it was the end for both Heavenly Painting Country and Military Wolf Country. The two countries perished and the Heavenly Painting Crown Prince had vanished as well. I've been to the ruins of Heavenly Painting Country and jumped into the black abyss. I took a walk around the eighteen levels of hell and saw his painting of the eighteen levels of hell. I could deeply feel the sorrow and helplessness in that crown prince's heart, at the same time I also felt pity for his talent. That was why I had requested the emperor to build a Pavilion of Art Saint. In fact, there's nobody more suitable than the Heavenly Painting Crown Prince to be the Art Saint."

"I thought I would never see the Art Saint in my life and I never would've thought I'd see him again at the borders of Great Ruins. What a pity he has become our Eternal Peace's enemy."

As he spoke, the thunderous clouds, lightning, hundred demons, tornadoes and storm all vanished as ink fell from the sky.

The scene caused the soldiers of Eternal Peace shudder in fear. The terrifying phenomenon that had caused so many of their deaths was actually just some ink!

"City Lord, there's a sorcerer causing havoc in the city!"

In Border Dragon City, Qin Feiyue saw the phenomenon in the sky and immediately rushed into the City Lord's Manor. He found Granny Si and reported, "This sorcerer is casting spells to stop the advance of our Eternal Peace's great army. His power is spectacular and is hidden in the bookstore in the city. May I request City Lord to go forth and kill this sorcerer!"

Granny Si had a solemn expression and said coldly, "There's such a sorcerer? How dare he create havoc in my territory, what guts! Don't worry, Little General Qin, I shall go execute him right now!" When she was done, she rushed toward the bookstore aggressively.

Qin Feiyue immediately followed behind. However, by the time he reached the bookstore, the building was already empty.

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Granny Si frowned and immediately ordered loudly, "Seal off the entire city and search for the sorcerer! Move all the people in the city to the city plaza. I would like to see who dares to cause mischief under my eyes!"

The divine arts practitioners of City Lord's Manor received the orders and immediately went to chase everyone in the city, including the merchants to the city plaza.

Qin Feiyue also frowned. Not being able to find the sorcerer who was creating havoc made him feel uneasy.

"There's no need to worry, Little General Qin. This is my city, no demon nor monster can create havoc here!"

Granny Si, who was wearing Fu Yundi's skin, smiled, "Now that we have gathered everyone together, no matter which sorcerer it is who is remarkable at hiding, will not escape the grasp of my hand! Feel free to invite the Imperial Army, there are too many lawless people in Great Ruins who are in need of a teaching! Come to think of it, I've heard of the distinguished name of Imperial Preceptor and even admire him greatly. I can't wait to see Imperial Preceptor immediately and listen to his teachings!"

Qin Feiyue suppressed the uneasiness in his heart and smiled faintly, "Please be at ease, City Lord. Imperial Preceptor has always dealt rewards and punishments clearly. Since that City Lord has done a great merit for Eternal Peace Empire, you will naturally be promoted to nobility and achieve meteoric success. There will be no need to guard this bitter cold place anymore."

Granny Si laughed out loud and was extraordinarily pleased. She suddenly said ruthlessly, "The sorcerer creating havoc is not amenable to reason. When I capture him, I'll execute him with a lingering death and hang his head on the city gate as a warning to others! That's right, may I request Little General Qin to say some praises in front of Imperial Preceptor. Just now, the sorcerer creating havoc was not my doing, this..."

Qin Feiyue understood and smiled, "Be at ease, City Lord. I will definitely recommend City lord in front of Imperial Preceptor."

Granny Si let off a sigh and her gaze wavered. She then lowered her voice, "Truth to be said, after running this place for many years, I have gotten quite a number of remarkable treasures. When Imperial Preceptor enters the city, why not have Little General Qin follow me to have a look. If there's anything that catches your eye, Little General Qin could just feel free to take it..."

Qin Feiyue's heart stirred. There were treasures everywhere in Great Ruins and there was no lack of treasures even before the darkness invasion. Running Border Dragon City for so many years, Fu Yundi had naturally obtained countless of strange and unique treasures. If he could go into his treasure vault to choose a few unique treasures, he will naturally be the one at the winning end!

On the dragon pillar, Qin Mu couldn't help but be dazzled and impressed when he saw how Deaf painted and used his paintings as divine arts. Since young, he had learned calligraphy and painting from Deaf and read intensively. Yet it was still the first time he had seen Deaf showing his divine arts.

With the power of one man to delay the advance of a hundred thousand men of Eternal Peace Empire's great army, this ability was simply astonishing!

If there were no experts in Eternal Peace Empire that could break Deaf's divine arts, the great army that had a hundred thousand men would have died under Deaf's divine arts.

"Is that Mu'er on top of the pillar?"

Suddenly, Butcher's voice came from below. Qin Mu stuck his head out to have a look only to see Butcher slicing towards the dragon pillar with his Pig Slaughtering Knives. However, he was bewildered as there no knives landed on the dragon pillar.

As Butcher slashed his knives, his body rose upwards as well and landed on the dragon pillars after a while.

"What are you doing this for, Grandpa Butcher?" Qin Mu asked curiously.

"Burying my divine arts to destroy the dragon pillar."

Butcher sheathed his Pig Slaughtering Knives back and used his hands to prop himself over to the dragon's head. Looking at the great army advancing outside of the city, he said, "When the Eternal Peace Empire's great army enter the city, my divine arts will explode in the dead of night. This dragon pillar will then shatter into pieces and be cleanly destroy by my knife lights."

The vanguard of Eternal Peace Empire received the attacks of Deaf and suffered great casualties. At this moment, the second division of forces had joined together with the vanguard at the border and once again hurried towards Border Dragon City.

Even though they had just suffered from Deaf's attacks, now that both forces were merged, their power had instead become greater.

Qin Mu jumped in shock and cried out, "Grandpa Butcher decided to use the darkness to eliminate Eternal Peace Empire's great army?"

Butcher nodded his head and said, "I've already buried my divine arts in the other three dragon pillars, only this pillar was left."

Qin Mu felt a chill down his spine. If the four dragon pillars were to be destroyed at night, what comes for the Eternal Peace Empire shall be a disastrous calamity!

When that time comes, it won't be known how many people will die in the darkness from unnatural causes!

Qin Mu hesitated, "Grandpa Butcher, the people in this city..."

Butcher smiled, "When Deaf cast his spell just now and attacked the Eternal Peace Army, Granny Si sealed off the entire city and gathered everyone to the city plaza."

Qin Mu instantly felt at ease. There were many ancient temples in the city plaza that worshiped various stone statues. The temples there would help defend against the darkness invasion.

It was apparent that Granny Si and Deaf had already communicated with each other and set up this scheme. When the dragon pillars collapsed, the darkness will invade. The city plaza which was surrounded by the temples will become a safe zone. Since all the commoners are already there, they will naturally be safe.

"When the night falls, the Eternal Peace Empire's great army shall be annihilated. The only ones able to escape will only be Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor and a few strong practitioners. When that time comes, it will be when we will have our final battle."

Butcher smiled, "Therefore, Village Chief has also come."

Qin Mu was bewildered. What can Village Chief do when he already had no limbs?

Butcher was slightly excited and chuckled, "We'll be able to see the strongest sword then versus the strongest sword now! Goddamn, I can't wait for it to be nighttime now... What is that?"

His expression suddenly froze as he looked towards the distance blankly. As if he had seen a ghost, he cried out, "What the f*ck is that?"

Qin Mu followed his gaze and was slightly stunned. He could only see a tiny black dot and didn't know why Butcher was startled.

However, the direction where the tiny black dot is, should be Star Sea, which was seventy miles away from Border Dragon City.

"F*ck, f*ck..."

Vulgarity spewed out continuously from Butcher. He suddenly rose into the sky and landed down before shouting, "Stay there and don't move. I'll go find Village Chief, Apothecary and the rest. This is still the first time I'm seeing such a thing after staying in Great Ruins for so long... F*ck..."

Qin Mu was bewildered. It was still the first time he has seen Butcher losing his composure. When Butcher was insane, he had never spewed out so many vulgarities either. At most he would only scold the damned heavens.

Looking at the tiny black dot, he was suddenly stunned again. The tiny black dot had become much bigger.

The tiny black dot became bigger and bigger. It was like a needle poked on a piece of white paper but now it was like an ink blotch which was still getting bigger.

Suddenly, figures flashed by and a few people instantly appeared beside Qin Mu. They were the limbless Village Chief, the faceless Apothecary, Mute and the rest.

Blind, however, wasn't around. He should have been captured to the city plaza by the people of the gambling den.

"My God..."

Apothecary looked at the black dot and was extremely shocked as he muttered, "What a huge ship..."

"The legends are true, there is truly such a ship!"

Village Chief was also in a shock and muttered, "Why did this ship appear at this time?"

Mute was in a daze and stared blankly.

Deaf was also in a daze.

"F*ck..." Butcher still continued to scold with vulgarities.

Qin Mu opened his Heaven's Eyes and tried his best to see the black dot but he couldn't see it clearly.

Gradually, the black dot grew bigger and bigger. It was now as big as a pitch black plate and was still becoming bigger. Soon the black plate became three yards long.

Not long after, the plate had an area of several are.

Tremors kept on coming from the ground below. Qin Mu felt his legs becoming numb as the tremors became stronger and stronger. It was as if there was an enormous monster continuously moving forward.

He felt the air and the temperature rising as if it was the heat given off by the sun and was scorching the earth. However, it was still spring and two months away from summer.

Afterward, Qin Mu saw what Village Chief and the rest saw.

A ship moved forward from Star Sea and was getting closer and closer.

It was indeed a ship that was moving forward. On top of the ship floated a black sphere that was getting bigger and bigger.

Qin Mu's expression became weird and the shock in his heart multiplied several times. After some time did he let out a murky breath and grit his teeth, "F*ck..."

Butcher stared at him, "Children should not say such vulgarities! F*ck, what is this thing that had just appeared?"

The ship that was coming over was extremely enormous. It was a ship formed by tall and majestic volcanoes, which were spewing thick smoke and flames into the clouds. Lightning flashes all through the thick smoke and there were sparks continuously lighting up the sky.

The shape of the mountain was also very strange as there were no mountain peaks. The shape of the ship was also similar in that there was no building on top of it but majestic palaces that were a dazzling sight. Despite it being shrouded in the thick smoke, the palaces were still shining in a brilliant gold and were very gorgeous.

There were also chains that were so thick they could only be hugged by dozens of people floating in the sky like the string of a kite. These chains were all tied to that huge pitch black sphere. While it was moving in the air, the chains collided together and gave off rattling sounds.

And when the huge pitch black sphere was being dragged, it would give off loud rumbles. Even the air droned from the tremors as if the sphere was extremely heavy.

At this moment, the ship was traveling down Surging River, causing the huge river of Great Ruins to boil from the heat and run dry. The fish monsters and river monsters all jumped ashore and fled!

“This is...”

Qin Mu was stunned for a moment and cried out, “Sun Ship!”

Chapter 79: Sun Herders Of Great Ruins

Village Chief, Apothecary and the rest all looked towards him in bewilderment. Apothecary then asked curiously, “Mu’er, have you seen this ship before?”

“I’ve seen it from the topographic map of Great Ruins...”

Qin Mu also wavered mentally and physically. This humongous thing that looked like a ship should be the Sun Ship that he saw on the map in Doom Suppression Palace.

When he originally saw the term Sun Ship, he was still bewildered as to why it was called Sun Ship. However, now he knew.

Sun Ship was a ship that pulls the sun!

And the sun should be the black sphere that was chained down by the Sun Ship.

That enormous black ball should be the extinguished sun.

It may be assumed that before the darkness had invaded Great Ruins, there must be a Sun Ship pulling a blazing sun and traveling across the lands of Great Ruins.

Qin Mu was stumped for words. Why was the sun that the Sun Ship was pulling extinguished?

Since the Sun Ship was pulling the sun, then what about the Moon Ship that was recorded on the map? Was it a huge ship pulling the moon?

And also where is the Sun Well? What about the Moon Well?

Boom, boom.

As the ship made its way here, the ship that was huge beyond belief actually grew legs and were as thick as mountains. These legs were formed from magmatic rocks and light could even be seen from the crevices between the magmatic rocks.

These light were magma that was like the blood of the Sun Ship.

The enormous ship had grown twenty-four legs that corresponded to the twenty-four solar terms.

Its legs looked very thick but every step it took was a distance of two miles.

The appearance of the enormous object was still extremely shocking.

Deaf looked at Mute who was giving off a feverish gaze and gesticulating. Deaf interpreted, "That's not a real sun and was a treasure that people from that generation had created before the darkness descended. Mute, I think you are right..."

The enormous Sun Ship got closer and closer to Border Dragon City, causing the air to get more and more parched. Qin Mu raised his head yet he almost couldn't see the peak of the ship.

The ship was too huge.

The dazzling palaces fell into his eyes and it seemed to look normal. However, for it to look normal at such a far distance, it was abnormal. It could be assumed that these palaces must be very huge if he were to walk in front of it. A grown man must be miniature when he stands inside.

"That's the place for the god race to reside."

Village Chief gently said, "I've heard they were called Sun Herders and their god is called Sun Guardian."

"Sun Herders?"

Everyone was slightly stumped for words. In the village, Village Chief was the one who had stayed the longest in Great Ruins. He had been here for several hundred years and knew the most. Apparently, he had also heard about the Sun Ship and knew some hidden information.

"I wonder if there's a descendant of the Sun Herders onboard? Is there still a Sun Guardian onboard?" Village Chief muttered.

Sun Ship passed by Border Dragon City and went towards the magnificent army of a thousand men and horses of Eternal Peace Empire. It was an especially grand and spectacular sight, so much so that the army had forgotten to advance and stared at the huge object foolishly.

Too terrifying, too shocking.

Thud—

One of the legs from Sun Ship landed down and the mountain like leg crushed countless of soldiers into the mud. When the leg of this ship lifted up once again, a small lake was created from the stomp.

“Quickly run for your lives—”

Only now did someone react and scream before running back to escape. The soldiers behind have yet to react therefore people started squeezing and stepping on one another. When the people behind had reacted and wanted to spread out to escape, it was too late.

The immense Sun Ship followed the path the Eternal Peace Army took to move towards the borders of Eternal Peace Empire, crushing countless of soldiers in its path. No matter how much divine arts or flying swords from the officers landed on its body, they were all unable to shake up this huge ship.

The two troops of the army were merged into one, therefore, there was an extremely large amount of people. Even if they wanted to escape, there was no way for them to escape. Despite there being divine arts practitioners flying in the air, they were also smacked by the legs that were lifted up by Sun Ship, just like an easy as smacking a fly.

The immense Sun Ship continued to move forward and crushed countless of soldiers in its path. General Lu tried his best to attack the Sun Ship but it was like an ant trying to shake a tree – unable to shake the huge ship the slightest.

At the borders of Eternal Peace, sword lights flew out and slashed towards majestic mountain ship. Sparks flew off in all directions yet it was also unable to harm the ship. When the treasure swords were kept back, the expression of the strong practitioners at the border changed hugely. Their swords were actually scorched red hot and were starting to melt.

In the borders of Eternal Peace, several thousand divine arts practitioners cast spells and raised storms. As the thunder clouds started rolling, there were dispersed by the heat before they even reached the ship.

—It was an extinguished sun that Sun Ship was pulling but it was still a sun after all. It’s fire energy was simply too powerful.

The ship had twelve pairs of legs, therefore, it could move forward very fast. Soon enough, it had reached the front of the borders. Creaking sounds pierced through the air as the Sun Ship slowly came to a halt.

Droning sounds came from the air as the black sun slowly floated forward and almost crossed over into the boundary of Eternal Peace Empire.

At the borders, countless of soldiers stared upwards blankly and looked at the enormous object in front of the borders. The borders were majestic but compared to the huge object in front of their eyes, they seemed miniature.

Some officers expression had turned pale white as they shuddered in fear, being almost unable to stand properly. Whereas the soldiers at the borders, whether they were martial arts practitioners or divine arts practitioners, they were all scared shitless by the sight in front of their eyes.

“The Sun Ship that was created by the beings before the darkness descended sure is extraordinary.”

Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor stood on top of the building and looked up at Sun Ship. This magnificent ship gave everyone an extreme pressure and even he was lightly palpitating.

On the peak of Sun Ship and in front of the palaces, he saw a figure standing there.

He raised his head and looked at the black sun.

Even though this black sun was as huge as a real sun, it was still shocking enough. One can imagine what a spectacular sight it would be if the sun was reignited.

This sun may be extinguished but if Eternal Peace Empire’s army was to collide with this enormous object, it would be like a mantis trying to stop a chariot, overestimating their own capabilities.

He could feel the divine energy coming from Sun Ship.

“There are still heavenly gods that are alive. The mysterious Great Ruins can’t be threaded on rashly...”

Imperial Preceptor raised his hand and ordered, “Pass down my order to fall back and never set foot into Great Ruins for the next fifty years!”

The hearts of various generals behind him shuddered and immediately passed down his order.

Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor raised his head and his gaze landed on the palaces. He then said softly, “Sun Ship can’t protect Great Ruins forever. Even the heavenly gods will die. The Sun Herders are merely a declining race. Fifty years later, my Eternal Peace Empire will have the mighty power to unify Great Ruins, therefore, it’s not wise to fight them head on now.

He turned and walked down the city gate tower.

The urgent gong sounds used to halt troops rang from the city. As the soldiers outside the borders heard the gong, it was as if they were relieved from a burden and all of them ran back towards the borders.

The enormous Sun Ship also slowly raised its legs and changed direction, stomping its way towards Border Dragon City.

Not long later, the remnant of Eternal Peace Empire’s army returned back to the borders and Sun Ship had reached the boundary of Border Dragon City. Raising his head up, a towering ship piercing the heavens that was pulling a black sun was something Qin Mu had never dreamed of.

Sun Ship came to a halt and its twenty four legs slowly bent and sat down in a seize.

On the dragon pillar, everyone had weird expression. This Sun Ship doesn't seem like a ship but more like a living being with twenty-four legs!

With the ship being so close to Border Dragon City, heat waves swept towards the city. Even the city walls were scorched red hot as if they were going to melt.

It must be waiting for the Eternal Peace Empire's great army to completely retreat as it didn't leave immediately.

"Is there still a Sun Guardian onboard?" Qin Mu mumbled.

"There is, I can feel the aura of god."

Village Chief had a grave expression, "Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor sounded out the difficulties and retreated to avoid defeat. It will never to step into Great Ruins rashly for the next dozens of years. Butcher, put away your knives or else the dragon pillars here will be destroyed."

Butcher nodded his head and looked at Sun Ship excitedly, "We've prepared long for this battle yet Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor was scared off by the Sun Guardian, making us unable to fight that old fellow! How about we go onboard and fight with the god!

Everyone had a queer expression and shook their heads. This lunatic was sure making trouble. If there was still a Sun Guardian onboard, Butcher would probably be crushed to death while trying to pick a fight with the Sun Guardian using only the upper half of his body.

Village Chief and the rest went down the dragon pillar. Qin Mu continued to look upwards, his gaze wavering. He very much wanted to climb up this magnificent ship and have a look what's up there.

"Exactly what kind of generation it is for them to be able to build such enormous object that could even pull the sun and move?"

Thinking until here, the bow of the Sun Ship suddenly tilted downwards.

Qin Mu turned lifeless. He could see that the incomparably massive bow of the ship was almost as big as Border Dragon City. The ship just tilted downwards as if it was extremely light and had no weight at all.

Only now could he see the scenery onboard. There were actual mountains and river, grass and flowers. The glorious main halls stood tall and looked just like the sacred place for immortals. There were also many tall men that were so tall that Apothecary who was considered tall and sturdy, seemed like a child compared to them.

Qin Mu reckoned their people's height started from thirty yards onwards, not to be outdone when compared to the strong workers of Heavenly Devil Cult.

What's strange was that even though the bow of the ship was tilted downwards, the lake on the ship remained level and didn't spill out.

"Your jade pendant is very strange, it has a divine and extraordinary aura..."

Chapter 80: Sun Guardian

In the heart of Sun Ship, a clear and loud voice sounded out. The jade pendant in front of Qin Mu's chest gently floated up and seemed to fly towards Sun Ship. Qin Mu's heart slightly shuddered and he looked towards the source of the voice only to see a gigantic giant speaking. The giant was several times taller than the other giants and looked like a heavenly god.

Both of her legs sunk into the body of the ship. More than half her legs were stuck into the ship and she was sinking further up to her hips. Even so, she was still three hundred yards tall.

She had four arms and each of the four arms was grabbing onto the pillars. Each pillar had chains that coiled around them. These were the chains that were chaining onto the black sun in the sky!

Her body flared up with flames like a human on fire. The blazing fire energy makes Qin Mu feel like he was being burned while looking at her.

Strangely, when Qin Mu saw her facial features, it was not of an adult woman but of a little girl whose age was even younger than his.

However, with such a tall and huge body, how could it be a little girl?

She seemed very exhausted and was gasping for breaths.

"Senior recognize this jade pendant?"

Qin Mu's heart trembled and immediately removed the jade pendant from his chest. He then saw all four hands of the female giant loosened and her body gradually shrunk. Not long after, she turned from a giant who was over three hundred yards tall into a little girl who was a head shorter than Qin Mu.

"Senior?"

Her voice was very melodious and she smiled very happily. She panted a few times before continuing, "I'm not a senior..."

She expended a lot of effort to pull her legs out from the ship's body. This Sun Ship was very weird. Her legs were actually fused together with the ship and the flames of the ship were like blood vessels penetrating her legs, requiring a great deal of effort to be able to pull them out.

When she pulled out her legs, the place she stood on regained its level. Where her legs and the ship had fused were two holes which were slowly regenerating.

This little girl tried to walk but her legs were trembling and she almost fell to the ground. She immediately used her four hands to break her fall and asked, embarrassed, "Can you come onboard?"

Qin Mu looked at the other giants onboard Sun Ship and only the old giant nodded, "Let him come onboard."

A giant wearing simple clothes came to the bow of the ship and stretched out his arm. His arm served as a bridge between the dragon pillar and Sun Ship. Qin Mu hesitated for a moment and stepped onto his palm, crossing this sturdy arm to reach Sun Ship.

On the ship, he was slightly startled. It was much cooler here than he expected. He had originally thought that this place would be as horribly torrid as a furnace, but he had never expected here to be so cooling.

"Mu'er, you little rascal!"

In Border Dragon City, Village Chief and the rest also sensed the abnormality onboard of the Sun Ship. Turning back to take a look, they happened to see Qin Mu walking up the giant's arm and boarding the Sun Ship. Apothecary couldn't help but to smile from anger, "He sure has huge guts, he even dares to board the ship of god!"

The Butcher took out his two Pig Slaughtering Knives with his murderous intent overflowing, "They even dare to steal our child, let us slaughter our way over!"

Village Chief stared at him and said calmly, "They have no ill intention, let Mu'er be. There doesn't seem to be a god aboard that ship..."

Qin Mu walked to the side of the little girl and Sun Ship gradually tilted back horizontally. Because she hasn't walked for a long period of time, the little girl's legs were inconvenient to move and it was strenuous for her to stand up for a greeting. Therefore she could only bow to Qin Mu while sitting down.

Qin Mu returned her greeting and passed his jade pendant into her hands. The little girl carefully inspected it and pondered. Bizarre and cryptic language came from her mouth as she asked an old giant beside her.

The old giant revealed an astonished expression and inspected Qin Mu, replying in a similar language that was difficult to understand.

"God language!"

Qin Mu was astonished. The young and the old were conversing in god language. He had heard the language of god before but he didn't understand the meaning within. Therefore he had no idea what they were saying.

Both of them said a few sentences and the girl returned the jade pendant back to Qin Mu, "Grandpa Patriarch said that your jade pendant is not a god, not a devil and not a Buddha. He has seen this kind of things before and it should be from Carefree Village of Great Ruins.

"Carefree Village?"

Qin Mu's mind shuddered, "Where's Carefree Village?"

The girl then asked the old giant again and the old giant hesitated for a moment before saying some cryptic language. The girl shook her head, "Carefree Village is very mysterious and will only appear when the darkness shroud Great Ruins. He also doesn't know where it is."

Qin Mu was slightly disappointed and remembered the name Carefree Village. Carefree Village could be his birthplace where his parents are. No matter what he will have to find this place.

"I was impressive right?' The girl chuckled.

Qin Mu was stumped for words with a weird expression, "You are the one driving Sun Ship and scared the Eternal Peace Empire's great army away?"

The girl was immensely proud of herself, "You didn't expect it right?"

Qin Mu indeed didn't expect it. Not only was the Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor scared off by her, even Village Chief, Mute and the rest jumped in shock. They thought there was an extremely ancient heavenly god onboard Sun Ship which was why Eternal Peace Imperial Preceptor speculated that his power was no match for her and retreated.

They would never have dreamt that it was this little girl who was controlling Sun Ship. Of course, the Sun Ship was simply too shocking and too powerful, therefore they made such a miscalculation.

"My name's Yan Jingjing, what's your name?" That little girl asked curiously.

"Qin Mu."

Qin Mu hesitated and said, "I also have no idea if my surname is Qin or I'm called Qin. It was because of this Qin word on my jade pendant that Village Chief chose my surname as Qin. The meaning of Mu is to herd cows. What's the meaning of Yan Jingjing?"

"It means there's a lot of suns and fire."

Yan Jingjing tried her best to stand up but she must not have used her legs for a long time, therefore she walked unsteadily. Qin Mu saw that the muscles on both of her legs have dried up and became very thin. With only skin clinging to her bones, there was not an ounce of flesh.

She was so emaciated that people couldn't help but to feel shocked.

"When I was born, I was like a sun. My mother was burned to death by the flames on my body, therefore, Grandpa Patriarch gave me the name Yan Jingjing."

Yan Jingjing's expression turned dull, "When I grew up, Grandpa Patriarch said that I have the bloodline of the Sun Guardian on my body. The power of Sun Guardian is very strong and allow me to be acknowledged by the Sun Ship, controlling the Sun Ship to travel Great Ruins. There's only me in my race that could control this ship, therefore, I've become the Sun Guardian of this generation."

She then smiled happily again, “You’re the boy who herds cows and I’m the girl who herds sun. When I fused together with the Sun Ship, my powers are very strong, just like a heavenly god. That’s why I could scare the bad guys away. Did I scare you just now?”

Qin Mu smiled, “You did.”

Yan Jingjing lowered her head, “I’m sorry. I was too exhausted just now, therefore, I’ve stopped here for a break and scared you...”

Qin Mu was stunned and smiled, “It’s okay. Why are your legs so skinny?”

“Grandpa said that the sun of our Sun Herd Clan had extinguished. Therefore when I control the Sun Ship, Sun Ship absorbs my power, making me skinnier and skinnier.

Yan Jingjing continued, “When my power runs out, I will become like the previous Sun Guardian, fusing together with this ship. That was how my father died... If the sun would be able to reignite, Sun Ship will absorb the power of the sun and even nourish the Sun Guardian, making me very strong!”

Qin Mu’s heart wavered. He looked at the black sun in the sky and muttered, “Require to ignite the sun? Who would be able to do it? Maybe only true heavenly god could do it... Why must you guard here and be the Sun Guardian?”

“Because it is the duty of us Sun Herders. Sun Guardian is a clergy! Long long time ago, I have no idea how long. Anyways, very long ago, we Sun Herders were appointed as Sun Guardian, to guard the Sun Ship and protect Great Ruins. This duty was then passed down generation to generation. As for who appointed us as Sun Guardian, I’ve also no idea. Maybe Grandpa Patriarch might know.”

Yan Jingjing was very cheerful and seemed like she didn’t have any playmates. She sat down and chattered non stop with Qin Mu, talking about all the interesting stuff she had seen along with her journey.

Qin Mu looked around. The Sun Herd Clan were all giants and there were young boys and girls who could play together with Yan Jingjing. However, they all revered Yan Jingjing very much and didn’t dare to come forward.

Furthermore, these people were also very tall and sturdy. They were much taller and stronger than Yan Jingjing. Yan Jingjing looked more like she belonged to the human race and was different from them.

Qin Mu guessed that maybe Yan Jingjing had the bloodline of a human. However, it could be possible that it was because her power was being absorbed by the Sun Ship, therefore, her body had become smaller.

What was strange was when Yan Jingjing fused with the Sun Ship, she instead became abnormally tall and sturdy, just like an awe-inspiring heavenly goddess, which meant that his guess might not be accurate.

What he didn’t know was that the Sun Herd Clan wasn’t naturally huge. It was because they had to stay on Sun Ship where there was a divine energy flowing around in the air. When the Sun Herders of Sun

Herd Clan consume food, they would unknowingly consume this divine energy, resulting in their bodies to become abnormally tall and sturdy.

It was because Yan Jingjing's power was absorbed by Sun Ship, therefore the power she ingested wasn't enough to cover the power that was absorbed. Therefore she didn't become tall and sturdy like the rest of her clansmen.

When she fused with Sun Ship, the power of Sun Ship and hers would combine together, which was why she could become as imposing as a heavenly god.

"In the future, if I have the ability, I will help you ignite the sun and free you!" Qin Mu declared.

"Really?"

Yan Jingjing's eyes sparkled brightly and excitedly said, "I'll wait for this day to come! Then I'll be able to walk and be like everyone else!"

Qin Mu nodded his head heavily and smiled, "I'll definitely find a way to ignite this sun."

At this moment, the giant patriarch came over and said, "Sun Guardian, the army of Eternal Peace Empire has completely retreated."

Yan Jingjing stood up with difficulty and waved at Qin Mu with a sweet smile, "I have to go too. I'll leave from Star Sea and come out from Sun Well, if you want to find me, you can just come to Sun Well!"

Qin Mu nodded his head and the girl walked unsteadily back to the pillars. As her hand touched the pillar, her body rapidly expanded and her legs sunk into Sun Ship, fusing together with it.

Her hands grabbed on to the other three pillars and her body started to ignite with blazing flames, making her unapproachable.

The giant patriarch came over and sent Qin Mu back to the bow of the ship. The old and gray-haired Sun Herder had a deep grief tone in his voice as he said softly, "The Sun Guardian does not have many years to live..."

Qin Mu's heart shuddered and raised his head to look at the elder. He then looked at the giantess in flames and Yan Jingjing was smiling at him.

"If you're a guest from Carefree Village, you may have a way to reignite the sun. After all..."

The giant patriarch hesitated for a moment and didn't continue his words. He instead sent Qin Mu down the ship and this unimaginable artifact created by gods started to slowly stand up and walk towards Star Sea.

As the sun set, the inclined sunlight shone onto the ancient ship that gradually moved far away. The blackness in the sun also gradually became smaller and soon, the Sun Ship couldn't be seen anymore. The black sun also became a black dot that was so tiny it could no longer be seen.