

I. Family 591

Chapter 591: Coveting Bi Lake Mountain to Make It the Family Spirit Land!_1

“Red Sun Golden Wheel! Break!”

Yu Jinyang, facing the encircling Talisman Formation enveloped by dark light and the five-element wind-fire wheels in all directions, dared not hold back and immediately brought out his life-bound spiritual artifact.

His life-bound golden wheel was a circle of reddish-gold.

The wheel burst forth with tens of thousands of golden rays, like the rising sun, and smashed heavily onto the Talisman Formation.

“Whiz whiz whiz—”

“Boom!”

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The three thousand six hundred Profound Truth Tactic talismans diffused with dark light and shot out aggressively, accompanied by the spiritual light of the talismans, and forcefully countered the attack of the golden wheel, resulting in a heavy thud.

“The Red Sun Golden Wheel, it really is you, Yu Jinyang!”

“The Supreme Sect has decreed that within three years of great war, all families and powers must develop stably and must not invade or start conflicts and wars!”

“Yet now, your Yu Family has repeatedly offended my Qingzhu Mountain, showing contempt for the rules of the Supreme Sect. I will certainly report this matter to Qingyun Sect!”

Lu Yuanzhong arrived overhead and, seeing the Red Sun Golden Wheel, immediately shouted out loud at Yu Jinyang.

Wishing to leverage the might of Qingyun Sect to deter the three from the Yu Family.

“This technique...”

The Bai Family Ancestor, Bai Yunyang, upon seeing Lu Changsheng lay down the Talisman Formation and entrap the three from the Yu Family by himself, was horrified and looked at Lu Changsheng with wary eyes.

He hadn’t expected that Lu Changsheng, who had just broken through to Foundation Establishment not long ago, had such astonishing methods.

With Lu Changsheng in Qingzhu Mountain and once Lu Miaoge also has her breakthrough in Foundation Establishment, the Lu Family is likely to rise completely.

However, looking at the several hundred talismans forming the Talisman Formation, Bai Yunyang couldn’t help but click his tongue in sympathy for the financial pain.

So many talismans must be worth tens of thousands of spirit stones.

Such a method is powerful indeed, but it’s simply burning money!

The average person simply couldn’t afford it!

However, the current battle situation made him feel less intimidated.

He immediately brought out his spiritual artifact, ready to intervene.

“Rise!”

Lu Changsheng, with a calm expression, looked at the three people in the formation, his hands forming seals, and spoke indifferently.

In an instant.

“Woosh woosh woosh—”

Between heaven and earth, the talismans radiated light and kept rotating, shrinking the encircled area.

Billowing fierce flames surged, and wind and thunder moved in unison, attacking the three from the Yu Family with full force.

“Bang bang bang—”

Facing such an onslaught, Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun did not dare to underestimate it; the three wildly channeled their mana, seeking to break the formation and escape with full power.

However, in the face of such a torrential and overwhelming attack, they were simply unable to resist.

“Indeed, these three are all worthless at Foundation Establishment,”

“Even if I were to lower the level of the talismans used, it would still be overestimating them,”

Lu Changsheng watched the three people within the Talisman Formation and inwardly mused.

“Lu Daoist, we were wrong in our actions as the Yu Family,”

“We are willing to apologize and leave, please stop!” Yu Jinyang shouted out loud.

Under the assault of the Talisman Formation, the three had no power to fight back at all and could only continuously fend off the attacks.

Once their mana was exhausted, they would fall within the formation.

Even if they managed to outlast the formation until it was spent, they would definitely be seriously injured and would be no match for Lu Yuanzhong, Bai Yunyang, and Lu Changsheng.

“What!?”

“What a terrifying Talisman Formation!”

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang, who were ready to intervene but unable to get involved, were incredibly shocked when they saw this scene.

They had thought that the Talisman Formation would only trap the three from the Yu Family.

They hadn't expected the formation's aggressive and terrifying nature.

In just a moment, it made Yu Jinyang, the always domineering Patriarch of the Yu Family and a middle-stage Great Cultivator of Foundation Establishment, lower his voice to apologise.

“Sss!”

“This this this...”

“The Great Elder is mighty!”

“Uncle is mighty!”

The onlookers from Qingzhu Mountain first bulged their eyes in disbelief.

But the next moment, they were all excited and shouted aloud.

One and a half years ago, the matter of Lu Miao Feng's Foundation Establishment had left them stifling a breath of indignation.

Today, with the Yu Family attacking again, it truly brought their frustration and anger to a climax.

Now seeing Lu Changsheng suppressing the three from the Yu Family by himself, making the Patriarch of the Yu Family bow his head, they felt thrilled and intensely excited.

“My husband is this powerful?”

“My dad is this powerful?”

“Father!”

The wives, concubines, and children of Lu Changsheng, upon seeing this scene, were somewhat bemused.

They had not expected their own husband and father to be so formidable.

After all, for them, Foundation Establishment was a lofty achievement, and they lacked an understanding of it.

And Lu Changsheng, usually mild-mannered, had never shown the authority of a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator!

“Lu Changsheng, if you dare to kill us, my Bi Lake Mountain will surely be at endless war with your Qingzhu Mountain!”

Within the formation, Yu Ningjun, wielding a copper rod, yelled out woefully and disheveled.

However, Lu Changsheng, faced with the roaring from within the formation, turned a deaf ear and continued to bombard them with his hands forming seals.

If it weren't for the fear of making too much noise that could affect Lu Miaoge, who was in the process of Foundation Establishment, he would have simply detonated the Talisman Formation and ended the fight.

“Husband, leave them an intact corpse!”

Just then, a gentle and crisp voice rang out.

Ling Zixiao transformed into a streak of light, flying out from Qingzhu Mountain.

“Hmm? Foundation Establishment!?”

“How is there another Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator in Qingzhu Mountain!?” Bai Yunyang was startled.

He hadn’t expected that there would be an unknown Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator within Qingzhu Mountain!

He looked at Lu Changsheng, his heart stirring wildly and filled with utter shock.

“Isn’t this Changsheng’s partner?”

“The Great Elder’s partner is actually a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator!?”

The onlookers from the Lu Family were surprised to see Ling Zixiao flying with the power to control the sky.

They hadn’t expected Ling Zixiao to be a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator.

Ling Zixiao usually kept to herself, and most of them had only seen her once at a family banquet.

“Hmm?”

Lu Changsheng, hearing Ling Zixiao’s words, was somewhat surprised.

But the next moment, he nodded and altered the Talisman Formation’s attack with his hands forming seals.

The remaining seven thousand two hundred Profound Truth Tactic talismans shot out.

“Whiz whiz whiz—”

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These Xuanzhen Talismans connected with the energy of the Talisman, like arrows of Spell shooting out, erupted with impressive might.

“Pfft pfft pfft—”

“Clang clang clang—”

The might spread throughout, and within the Talisman Formation, the sound of blades piercing flesh and metal clashing rang out.

“Ah!!! Ancestor!!!!”

Inside the Talisman Formation, Yu Ningjun, the newly advanced Foundation Establishment Cultivator, was now covered in blood, with charred flesh, wailing miserably as he was about to fall from the sky.

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“Lu Daoist, as long as you’re willing to stop, let us go, and we from Blue Lake Mountain are willing to offer compensation!”

Yu Jinyang cried out loud.

His voice was already somewhat lacking in strength.

This statement left Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang exchanging looks, speechless.

Not long ago, facing the three from the Yu Family, they felt utterly powerless and apprehensive.

But now, Lu Changsheng alone was overpowering the three.

Forcing Yu Jinyang, the Patriarch of the Yu Family, to plead for mercy.

Such combat power, such strength, even with the aid of Talismans, was incredibly astounding!

However, seeing Yu Jinyang in such a state, both of them couldn't help but feel a surge of satisfaction.

After all, the Yu Family had never been anything but overbearing towards them on normal days.

“Boom boom boom—”

Lu Changsheng remained silent, his expression indifferent, his hands forming seals, commanding the Talisman Formation to continue its assault, intent on slaying them both.

“Aaaah—”

“Lu Changsheng, do you truly intend to commit such extermination and be irreconcilable with Blue Lake Mountain!?”

Seeing that Yu Ningjun and Yu Yuanshan were already done for, Yu Jinyang, holding a golden wheel, with bloodshot eyes, roared furiously.

“Xuanzhen ninety-nine, decree!”

Lu Changsheng said coldly, his hands forming seals.

Had it not been for his concern about causing too much commotion and his intention to leave the three with whole corpses, Yu Jinyang wouldn't still be able to be defiant.

“Shoo shoo shoo—”

“Pfft pfft pfft—”

Ninety-nine Xuanzhen Talismans, connecting with the Talisman, shot out, piercing through the body of Yu Jinyang within the Talisman Formation, until his last spark of life vanished.

“I...I am not willing to accept this!”

Yu Jinyang’s eyes widened, his face unwilling to accept the outcome.

He never imagined that his own decision would lead to his own demise, as well as that of his nephew and great-grandson, all buried within Qingzhu Mountain.

“This!”

Everyone present, witnessing the Talisman Formation dissipate and the bodies of Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun, were too shocked to speak.

Foundation Building Great Cultivators!

Three Foundation Building Great Cultivators, usually so above others, were now slain by Lu Changsheng alone!

Even though they had seen the Talisman Formation suppress the three and bombard them ferociously.

Yet, seeing their bodies now, they still found it hard to believe.

After all, these were the elders of a family, the highly esteemed Foundation Building Great Cultivators!

“My lord, weren’t you preparing to establish a family power?”

“Now that Miaoge has broken through to Foundation Establishment, and Qingzhu Mountain has someone in charge.”

“Since the Yu Family from Blue Lake Mountain have provoked us today, we may as well take down Blue Lake Mountain and use it as our Family Spirit Land.”

At that moment, Ling Zixiao stepped forward slightly, a faint smile on her face, and spoke in a crisp voice.

The others on the scene were extremely shocked.

But she showed no reaction to the death of the three Foundation Building Great Cultivators, her demeanor calm.

“Establish a family power?”

“Take down Blue Lake Mountain as the Family Spirit Land?”

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang heard this and were startled, looking towards Lu Changsheng.

They had not expected Lu Changsheng to be preparing to stand on his own and establish a family power.

The two of them had mixed emotions upon hearing this.

“Ancestor, now that the crisis of the Yu Family has been resolved, I wish to take down Blue Lake Mountain to serve as our Family Spirit Land and establish Blue Lake Mountain Lu Family.”

Lu Changsheng looked toward Lu Yuanzhong and spoke calmly.

Ling Zixiao had already communicated this to him through a whisper.

They could take the opportunity of the Yu Family’s provocation to justifiably seize Blue Lake Mountain to serve as their Family Spirit Land.

Blue Lake Mountain had both mountains and waters, an elegant environment, favorable conditions, and a larger area than Qingzhu Mountain, making it an excellent location for a Family Spirit Land.

Moreover, seizing Blue Lake Mountain would naturally incorporate all of its resources into their coffers.

This was far better than purchasing a new Family Spirit Land or acquiring a Spiritual Vein Blessed Land from Qingyun Sect.

He also found the suggestion appealing and was prepared to do so.

“Good, the Yu Family has been excessively oppressive, repeatedly offending our Qingzhu Mountain. We shall march on Blue Lake Mountain and seize it!

“Once it’s done, Blue Lake Mountain will then be your family’s Spirit Land, Changsheng!”

Lu Yuanzhong, after pondering for a moment, responded directly.

Seeing Lu Changsheng’s methods and knowing that he was planning to establish his own family, he realized that Qingzhu Mountain, this small pond, could not retain Lu Changsheng, the Flood Dragon.

As such, it was better to do Lu Changsheng a favor.

In the future, if the two families maintained a good relationship, it would be beneficial to both.

“If Lu Daoist wishes to seize Blue Lake Mountain and needs any help, feel free to speak up; my Bai Family is also willing to contribute.”

Bai Yunyang immediately spoke up at this moment.

He knew that Lu Changsheng seizing Blue Lake Mountain was already a settled matter.

In such a situation, stepping forward to offer help was also a way to build a good rapport with Lu Changsheng.

And he was pleased to see Lu Changsheng establishing his own sect.

In the future, an alliance between the three families could be mutually beneficial.

“In that case, I will trouble Bai Daoist.”

Lu Changsheng nodded, not declining the offer.

Since he intended to seize Blue Lake Mountain and establish a family, he naturally wished to maintain relationships with the neighboring families.

“Time is of the essence, Lu Daoist, Bai Daoist, please make some quick preparations, and we’ll head straight to Blue Lake Mountain.”

Ling Zixiao, her hair piled up high and dressed in a blue dress, dignified in bearing, turned to Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang and said with an elegant smile.

Hearing this, both could not help but take a closer look at the woman before them.

Her exquisite features were pale, lacking in color, her aura weak and chaotic, making her seem incredibly fragile.

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But the elegance and composure in her demeanor, and the gracefulness of her every movement, made them feel in an instant that this woman was no ordinary person.

Especially since Ling Zixiao was too confident!

As if taking down Bi Lake Mountain was within easy reach!

“Good!”

Upon hearing this, Lu Yuanzhong didn't hesitate.

He immediately turned into a streak of light, returning to Qingzhu Mountain to relay the message.

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Stating that the Yu Family had gone too far in bullying them, repeatedly offending Qingzhu Mountain, today, he would join the Great Elder, Ling Daoist friend, and the Bai Family in attacking Bi Lake Mountain!

"I'll go inform Sister Miaoge."

Lu Changsheng said to Ling Zixiao.

Lu Miaoge was still in the midst of her Foundation Establishment breakthrough and could not afford to be distracted.

Now that he himself was about to set off to take Bi Lake Mountain, he still needed to inform Lu Miaoge, so she wouldn't worry.

After speaking, he turned into a streak of light and returned to his cave dwelling in Qingzhu Valley.

"Sister Miaoge, the Yu Family's people have already been dealt with by me. I wish to join the elder ancestor in taking Bi Lake Mountain for our Family Spirit Land. You should focus on your Foundation Establishment at home without concern."

Lu Changsheng saw Lu Miaoge inside the cave dwelling, still with closed eyes seated in meditation, concentrating on her Dao Foundation, and spoke out.

For Lu Miaoge to concentrate her Dao Foundation and complete her breakthrough, it would still take several days.

Moreover, stabilizing one's realm was also necessary after a Foundation Establishment breakthrough.

He didn't have the time to stay by her side at the moment.

However, he could tell that as long as she wasn't disturbed or faced any accidents, Lu Miaoge's breakthrough to Foundation Establishment was simply a matter of course.

"Alright, Changsheng, you go with peace of mind, don't worry about me."

Although Lu Miaoge was surprised by what had just happened outside, she couldn't afford to be distracted and was fully concentrating her Dao Foundation, transmitting to Lu Changsheng her thoughts through Divine Sense.

"Mhm."

Lu Changsheng nodded and turned into a streak of light to leave, arriving at his home.

He announced that he was ready to head for Bi Lake Mountain to take it down.

And summoned a few of the children from the Family who were at the Third Level of Qi Refinement to accompany him.

It wasn't to have these children participate in the battle.

But simply to let them witness the ruthlessness of the Cultivation World.

"Husband..."

Lu Miaoyun, Lu Miaohuan, Qu Zhenzhen, and others, upon hearing this, were somewhat worried about their children.

They felt that the children were too young to join the trip.

"Yun'er, Huanhuan, no need to worry. You will come with me, and just keeping an eye on the children will suffice."

"Zhenzhen, Ping'an, you two stay at home and take care of the other children."

Lu Changsheng spoke directly.

He immediately took out a Spirit Boat from his Storage Bag for Lu Miaoyun.

At the same time, he passed the Second Rank Puppet he had made to Lu Miaohuan, so she could control the puppet in case of danger.

“Brother, I want to go too...”

At this moment, Bai Ling, hearing Lu Changsheng’s words, gathered her courage and spoke up.

“Little Ling’er, aren’t you afraid?”

Lu Changsheng smiled genially upon hearing this.

Even though Bai Ling had reached the Sixth Level of Qi Refinement, in his view, her nature was not suited to battling or experiencing such events.

“I want to help brother...”

Bai Ling mustered her courage, but her voice was still somewhat timid.

“Okay, if that’s the case, then let’s go together. You’ll be with Sister Yun’er.”

Lu Changsheng, upon hearing this, smiled and nodded, then spoke out.

Meanwhile,

On Bi Lake Mountain of the Yu Family,

Outside the Yu Family Ancestral Hall,

An elderly man with gray hair, dressed in a lake blue robe, was lounging on a recliner, indolently yawning out of boredom.

Suddenly, an extremely crisp sound emanated continuously from within the ancestral hall.

“What’s going on!?”

The old man jolted awake at the sound, leapt to his feet, and hurried into the ancestral hall.

As a Foundation Establishment Family, the Yu Family could not provide a life-incorporated Jade Token or Soul Lamp for every member.

But for a few key core individuals of the Family, they would certainly be equipped with a life-incorporated Jade Token.

The continuous shattering of jade tokens at this moment sent him into an utter panic.

“What!?”

As soon as he entered the ancestral hall, he saw, to his dismay, shards of jade strewn all over the ground around the table.

Of the original six life-incorporated jade tokens, only three remained intact.

“How, how, how is this possible!”

The elder was thunderstruck at the sight of the broken tokens, trembling all over, his steps faltering until he fell to the ground, his face etched with disbelief.

“Disaster! Disaster has struck!”

The next moment, he scrambled out of the ancestral hall to convey the news.

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Qingzhu Mountain.

About half an hour later.

The Lu Family completed their assembly.

The number of people was not large.

Aside from Lu Changsheng, Lu Yuanzhong, Bai Yunyang, and Ling Zixiao, the four who were at the Foundation Establishment level,

There were only two at the Energy Refinement Late Stage,

Twenty-nine at the Energy Refinement Middle Stage,

And Lu Changsheng's four children at the Third Level of Qi Refinement.

But in Lu Changsheng's view, this was sufficient.

These individuals were heading there to resolve some matters and to bolster their presence, merely making an appearance.

"Let's go!"

Lu Changsheng, Ling Zixiao, and Lu Yuanzhong exchanged glances and then shouted in unison, "To battle!"

Immediately, the Spirit Boats of the four at Foundation Establishment led the way,

While the other thirty-five rode in three Spiritual Vessels, turning into a streak of light flying towards Bi Lake Mountain.

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Yu Family Ancestral Hall, lights flickering on and off.

“How is this possible, how could it be!?”

Yu Ninghu, who was usually stable and composed, knelt on the ground, his eyes bloodshot as he stared at the three shattered Jade Tokens in front of him.

Next to him, Yu Ningyuan also wore a grave expression, eyes circling the broken Jade Tokens, his face filled with sorrow and grief.

Now that Yu Jinyang and the other two had perished, the Yu Family was left with only one Foundation Establishment Cultivator, Yu Ninghu.

It was said that if a family had a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator seated in authority, it was enough to stabilize the situation.

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But now, with the simultaneous death of Yu Jinyang and the other two, they were filled with unspeakable panic.

They couldn't comprehend how their ancestor and the other two suddenly perished.

“Our ancestor and Ning Jun went to Qingzhu Mountain, how did they all die together!”

“Even if Lu Changsheng possesses a heaven-defying opportunity, he is nothing more than a Cultivator who has just made a breakthrough in Foundation Establishment. How could he have killed our three ancestors!”

“Even if Lu Yuanzhong fought to the death and fully activated the Qingzhu Mountain Family's Great Formation, it would still be impossible...”

“Besides, given Lu Yuanzhong’s current state, fully activating the Great Formation to fend off enemies would mean certain death, and it would severely impact Lu Miaoge who is undergoing Foundation Establishment, leading to her failure...”

“Therefore, the Lu Family definitely wouldn’t do such a thing, nor do they have the ability to kill our ancestors!”

Yu Ninghu’s mind raced as he analyzed the situation.

In his mind, there was no way his own ancestors could have died at the hands of the Lu Family.

Their ancestor Yu Jinyang was a Foundation Establishment Middle Stage Great Cultivator with staggering strength.

The second ancestor Yu Yuanshan was an old Foundation Establishment cultivator at the Third Level!

And on the Lu Family’s side, Lu Changsheng, Lu Yuanzhong, even if we count Bai Yunyang, the Bai Family Ancestor, there were only three Foundation Establishment Cultivators.

Among them, two had just recently broken through Foundation Establishment.

Although Lu Yuanzhong was a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator for many years...

He was on brink of death with poison in his viscera, and not even equivalent to an ordinary Foundation Establishment Cultivator.

Under such circumstances, how could they have possibly killed his own ancestors.

“Could it be... that our ancestors encountered Demon Cultivators on their way!?”

Yu Ninghu mulled over this possibility for a long time.

“If it was a Demon Cultivator...”

His expression grew solemn as he thought more, increasingly feeling that it was a possibility.

Although Xiahou Monie’s movements were mysterious and unpredictable.

Their strength was undeniable.

And his Yu Family had participated in the battle at Blackwater Pool.

If his ancestors really encountered Xiahou Monie on their way to Qingzhu Mountain and fell to his treachery, it would explain everything.

“If it’s really Xiahou Monie’s doing, they might very well make a move on Bi Lake Mountain...”

Yu Ninghu murmured to himself, his expression grave.

Xiahou Monie was domineering in his actions, acting only to loot and destroy.

If they had really killed his ancestors, using their Identity Jade, they might sneak into Bi Lake Mountain.

The news that Feng Family Fortress was annihilated overnight by a Demon Cultivator was still fresh in his mind.

“Ning Yuan, quickly send the order, activate the Great Formation, impose a full lockdown on Bi Lake Mountain, and allow no one to leave or enter!”

“At the same time, send someone to the Qingyun Sect, claiming there is evidence of Xiahou Monie’s presence; Xiahou Monie might possibly attack our Bi Lake Mountain.”

Yu Ninghu immediately stood up and said to the Patriarch of the Yu Family, Yu Ningyuan.

“Yes, big brother.”

Yu Ningyuan replied through clenched teeth, his eyes still bloodshot, then walked out of the ancestral hall to make arrangements.

“Oh heavens, why have you forsaken our Yu Family!”

Yu Ninghu looked at the shattered Jade Tokens, clenched his fists, and expressed his discontent.

His Yu Family had struggled for generations, and now they had four Foundation Establishment Great Cultivators, two in the prime of life, with promising futures!

The Wugong Ridge Zheng Family, Qingzhu Mountain Lu Family, Hundred Birds Lake Bai Family, were all in decline.

Within at most ten years, his Yu Family might annex the three families and stride towards further advancement!

But today, their efforts had turned to ash.

“Ancestor, rest assured, I will support the Family!”

Yu Ninghu looked at the Jade Tokens in front of him, took a deep breath, determined look in his eyes, took a step back, bowed deeply and solemnly pledged.

Then he turned around and walked out of the ancestral hall.

Earlier, he and Yu Jinyang had gone to Jiuxiao Immortal City to secretly cultivate to Foundation Establishment.

To avoid arousing the envy of other families by having too many Foundation Establishment members in the household.

Thus, he focused on serene cultivation at home.

Apart from the core members of the family, he had never revealed his breakthrough in Foundation Establishment to the outside world.

But from this moment on, he needed to stand out and take on the heavy responsibility of the family!

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Five Spirit Boats were shuttling through the clouds.

“Changsheng, how do you plan to deal with the Yu Family?”

“Although we hold the moral high ground, if we were to obliterate Bi Lake Mountain at this time, it might provoke the Qingyun Sect to send someone.”

“Moreover, if you want to establish a family, you must consider the reputation of the family.”

“Taking over Bi Lake Mountain, if we do it too ruthlessly, it’s likely to attract some criticism, making the surrounding families unhappy, which is not conducive to the future development of the family.”

“Also, there are many members of the Yu Family out there; if we can’t eradicate them completely, we’ll also have to face the Yu Family’s frenzied retaliation.”

From the Spirit Boat, Lu Yuanzhong spoke to Lu Changsheng.

Now that Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun of the Yu Family had died, taking down Bi Lake Mountain seemed to him to be just a matter of time.

But given that these were extraordinary times.

Making a scene too loudly and if the Yu Family’s people or other family powers were to report it to the Qingyun Sect...

When the Qingyun Sect stepped in, the matter would not be about justice or who's right and who's wrong.

It would be about the dignity of the Supreme Sect!

Furthermore, there were still many Yu Family Cultivators handling business outside.

Once Bi Lake Mountain was captured, an unending feud with the Yu Family would ensue, resulting in their frenzied retaliation.

“Zi Xiao, what's your take?”

Lu Changsheng pondered for a moment, then inquired of Ling Zixiao.

He had naturally considered these issues.

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Seizing and dominating another family's spirit land is naturally straightforward, convenient, accomplished in one step, and can avoid countless troubles.

But likewise, it also comes with many problems and troubles.

First and foremost, there is the issue of righteousness, family reputation, and public opinion.

After all, loners and solitary wanderers can afford to ignore the rules.

But when one chooses to establish a family, bringing along relatives, one must consider one's own reputation and the family's public opinion.

Otherwise, if actions are erratically domineering and reputation suffers, it not only invites trouble but also hinders family development.

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Now, in terms of morality, I am justified.

However, if I were to kill off the entire Yu Family, I fear the reputation might be somewhat tarnished, seeming too ruthless.

After all, except for cases of irreconcilable differences, most value leaving some leeway for future dealings.

Moreover, most of the Yu Family's cultivators are currently away.

If I take Bi Lake Mountain and kill the Yu Family cultivators there, I'll be completely at odds with the remaining members.

By myself, of course, I wouldn't worry about such minor characters.

But I have one hundred and fifty-seven soft spots to consider.

So I must give thought to this aspect.

After all, my purpose in establishing a family power is to provide a better environment for my children to grow up in.

Not to create future troubles for them.

"Hehe, when did we ever say we wanted to forcibly occupy Bi Lake Mountain?"

Upon hearing this, Ling Zixiao let out a light chuckle.

She elegantly smiled at Lu Changsheng and the two others, her voice gentle as she said, "The Yu Family has repeatedly violated Qingzhu Mountain, previously causing the Lu Family to fail in Foundation Establishment, and now they have come to disturb Miaoge's Foundation Establishment."

“For such actions, the Yu Family naturally can only make reparations by offering Bi Lake Mountain as compensation.”

“As for how to deal with the people of the Yu Family...”

Ling Zixiao said, pausing slightly.

Her bright and expressive Qiushui eyes turned to Lu Yuanzhong as she spoke, “Lu Daoist, if I remember correctly, a hundred miles from Bi Lake Mountain, there is a spirit land called Little Jing Mountain.”

“This Little Jing Mountain, belonging to the Ji Family, is an Energy Refining Family affiliated with the Yu Family.”

“We could buy Little Jing Mountain and give this spirit land to the Yu Family, allowing them to settle there.”

“Under such circumstances, I think Qingyun Sect, the surrounding families, or even the Yu Family members outside would have nothing to complain about.”

Ling Zixiao spoke with a calm tone, her elegance undisturbed.

“Little Jing Mountain.”

“Let the Yu Family settle at Little Jing Mountain.”

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang immediately understood the meaning behind Ling Zixiao’s words upon hearing them.

This was to confine the Yu Family within Little Jing Mountain, locking them in place.

“That’s right, a hundred miles from Bi Lake Mountain, there indeed is a small Energy Refining Family.”

“Giving Little Jing Mountain to the Yu Family as their family territory is indeed a good idea.”

Lu Yuanzhong said with a smile, nodding his head.

Truthfully, he wasn't very willing to see the Yu Family destroyed.

After all, once that happened, his Qingzhu Mountain would not be able to escape involvement, facing accountability from Qingyun Sect and retaliation from the Yu Family.

Even without Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun, the three Foundation Building Great Cultivators, the overall strength of the Yu Family was still superior to Qingzhu Mountain.

If these cultivators of the Yu Family targeted them, it would worsen the already challenging situation of the Lu Family.

“But, when the time comes, we will proceed as Zi Xiao has suggested.”

Hearing this, Lu Changsheng spoke up, agreeing.

He found Ling Zixiao's proposal to be quite excellent.

Using the spirit land of Little Jing Mountain to trap these people from the Yu Family.

In this way, the Yu Family cultivators outside would also exercise restraint, wary of causing harm.

As for the hatred and retaliation between the two families?

Honestly, when the time comes, the ones who should worry about these issues won't be him but the Yu Family.

Half a day later.

“Changsheng, up ahead is Bi Lake Mountain,” Lu Yuanzhong pointed towards the front, informing Lu Changsheng from the spirit boat.

“Bi Lake Mountain.”

Upon hearing this, Lu Changsheng infused mana into his eyes and looked towards the sea of clouds below.

He had always known of the Yu Family of Bi Lake Mountain.

But he had never been to Bi Lake Mountain before.

As the spirit boat approached and he looked down from above, he finally saw the rough outline of Bi Lake Mountain.

It was considerably larger than Qingzhu Mountain, covering an area of tens of thousands of acres.

Mountains surrounded it on all sides, and at the center was a vast, turquoise lake like jade.

Shrouded in a hazy formation, a towering peak could be seen reaching straight into the clouds.

Bi Lake Mountain possessed both a lake and a mountain, with the lake abundant in spiritual fish.

Lu Changsheng remembered that when he first went to Nine Dragons Market, he and Lu Miaoge went to their friend Yu Maocheng’s Jade Meal Hall.

The shop’s signature dish, ‘Red Blood Carp,’ came from Bi Lake Mountain.

“Not bad,” Lu Changsheng nodded in satisfaction.

This Bi Lake Mountain was about to become his family’s spirit land!

In the future, he could live here raising children, planting trees, farming, breeding fish, and raising a family.

Meanwhile, at the same time.

“Not good, everyone be on alert!”

“Operate the Great Formation at full power!”

Inside Bi Lake Mountain, the Yu Family members had already received orders and were waiting in full readiness, patrolling and on guard.

Seeing five spirit boats descending towards their home, their faces changed immediately, sending signals to operate the ‘Bi Lake Mountain Great Formation’ at full force.

“Huff Huff Huff——”

The originally thin mist surrounding Bi Lake Mountain quickly thickened to the naked eye, turning turquoise, with symbols flowing like fish, emitting a strong mana and spiritual pressure.

“This Great Formation seems to be Second Rank high-grade.”

Ling Zixiao discerned the grade of the Yu Family’s Great Formation and spoke aloud.

“Second Rank high-grade.”

Lu Changsheng looked at the formation in front of him.

He knew that the most troublesome part of seizing a family’s power was the Family’s Great Formation.

“I found some formation tokens in the Storage Bags of those three from the Yu Family, which must be the tokens for this Bi Lake Mountain Great Formation.”

“Later, we can use the formation tokens to influence the operation of the Great Formation.”

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“If the Yu Family is without an Array Master or a Foundation Establishment Cultivator to preside over the Great Formation, when the time comes, my lord using several Banishing Talismans to assist me and breaking through the Formation’s weak points should not be difficult.”

Ling Zixiao spoke out, saying this.

“Good.”

Upon hearing Ling Zixiao say this, Lu Changsheng immediately felt relieved.

“Hm?”

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Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang, who were nearby, heard this and looked at Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao with some surprise.

They hadn’t expected the Yu Family’s family Great Formation to seem so simple in the mouths of the two.

“Zixiao is an Array Master.”

Lu Changsheng gave a brief introduction.

Since Ling Zixiao was currently weak, he hadn’t revealed too much information before.

“So that’s how it is.”

Upon hearing this, the two men slightly bowed and their looks towards Ling Zixiao became much more polite immediately.

In the myriad of arts in Cultivation, Formations ranked among the top three.

This skill belonged to the category of difficult to learn and master.

Non-gifted individuals, or members of powerful families, found it very hard to get started and achieve something.

Therefore, hearing that Ling Zixiao was an Array Master naturally added a few more degrees of respect.

“It’s just a slight understanding.”

Ling Zixiao showed a faint smile and said lightly.

In the midst of their conversation, the Five Spirit Boats landed in front of Bi Lake Mountain.

“Where is the Patriarch of the Yu Family!”

Lu Changsheng and Lu Yuanzhong exchanged glances, stepped forward, and shouted out loud.

In an instant, all four exuded their Foundation Establishment might.

“What what what... So many Foundation Establishment Great Cultivators!?”

“It’s the Lu Ancestor, Bai Family Ancestor!”

“What are they doing at our Bi Lake Mountain?”

The Yu Family members, seeing the four Foundation Establishment Great Cultivators arriving with ill intentions, were immediately struck with shock and panic in their hearts.

The next moment, a streak of Escape Light flew out from Bi Lake Mountain.

He looked at the situation outside, his eyes also widening in disbelief.

“How is this possible!?”

Yu Ninghu, seeing the forces outside, was greatly shocked.

He immediately understood that his family’s ancestors weren’t killed by Xiahou Monie, as he had guessed, but by Lu Changsheng and others from Qingzhu Mountain.

“I am Yu Ninghu. May I know why the four of you have come to our Bi Lake Mountain?”

Yu Ninghu took a deep breath, looked at the four people in front of him, and spoke as he performed a polite greeting.

No matter if his family’s ancestors really died at the hands of the four in front of him, given the current situation where the other party was more powerful, he had no choice but to bow his head.

“Hmm? There’s still a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator in the Yu Family?”

Lu Changsheng was somewhat surprised to see Yu Ninghu.

According to their information, there were only three Foundation Establishment Great Cultivators in the Yu Family at present.

Yet now, with the three Foundation Establishment Cultivators killed, there was still one more.

“Yu Ninghu, we had heard that you’d perished outside; little did we expect you had secretly broken through to Foundation Establishment and had been hiding at home all this while.”

“The Yu Family has kept it quite hidden!”

Lu Yuanzhong immediately recognized Yu Ninghu and relayed the information to Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao via transmission.

He, too, hadn't thought that there would still be a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator guarding the Yu Family.

This made Lu Yuanzhong feel that it would be somewhat difficult to carry out their previous plan of forcing the Yu Family to surrender Bi Lake Mountain and confine themselves to Xiao Jing Mountain as per their original plan.

He exchanged glances with Lu Changsheng and stepped forward, saying, "You of the Bi Lake Mountain Yu Family have repeatedly violated our Qingzhu Mountain!"

"A year and a half ago, your family's Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun took advantage of our Lu Miao Feng's breakthrough to Foundation Establishment, came to harass us and attacked Qingzhu Mountain, causing our Lu Miao Feng's Foundation Establishment to fail!"

"Now, as our Lu Miaoge is making a Foundation Establishment attempt, your Yu Family has come again to cause trouble, disturbing the breakthrough!"

"Thus we have come here today, to seek an explanation from your Yu Family!"

Even though Lu Yuanzhong was poisoned and the toxin had entered his organs, his voice was still full of vigor and resonance under the enhancement of Mana.

"Where do these words of the Lu Ancestor come from, when has my Yu Family ever done such a thing? Is there any misunderstanding in this matter?"

Yu Ninghu contained his emotions, moderated his voice, and spoke out.

Even up to this moment, he was reluctant to believe that his family's ancestors had fallen to Lu Yuanzhong and the others.

He thought that Lu Yuanzhong and the others, upon learning of his family ancestors' demise, aimed to take advantage and falsely accuse them.

But in the next instant.

“Swoosh, swoosh, swoosh—”

Three corpses flew out from Lu Changsheng's Storage Bag.

They were indeed the corpses of Yu Jinyang, Yu Yuanshan, and Yu Ningjun!

All three corpses were blood-soaked and bore gruesome expressions.

Some even showed areas of charring, clearly indicating they suffered a tragic and woeful death.

“Ancestor!”

“Ancestor!”

“Ancestor!”

In that moment, everyone in Bi Lake Mountain, upon seeing these three corpses, had their eyes nearly bursting with rage, their expressions horror-struck, shouting out loud and wailing in grief.

Among them, only a few were aware of the demise of Yu Jinyang and the others.

Many of the Yu Family disciples were unaware of their fate.

Seeing the corpses of the three, and the forces outside, they were consumed with both anger and sorrow, while a wave of panic arose within.

“Ancestors...”

Yu Ninghu, looking at the three corpses, had his eyes turn blood-red, his fists clenched, trembling all over.

The corpses still retained a faint trace of their Magic Aura.

Moreover, he saw his family ancestors' Red Sun Golden Wheel, the Second Ancestor Yu Yuanshan's Sun and Moon Wheels, and Yu Ningjun's Thousand Jun Stick appearing from Lu Changsheng's Storage Bag.

These items were undeniably genuine, telling him that his family's ancestors indeed perished at the hands of Lu Changsheng and the others.

"The human and physical evidence is here, does the Yu Family have any explanation yet?"

Lu Changsheng, dressed in a green robe, spoke calmly and indifferently.

"Fellow Cultivators, there might be a misunderstanding about this matter..."

"Our Bi Lake Mountain has allied with your Qingzhu Mountain and Hundred Birds Lake to jointly operate the Red Leaf Valley Market; how could we possibly do such a thing? There must be some misunderstanding here!"

"But as to what exactly happened, I have been in seclusion and Cultivation all this while, and I'm not clear on it."

"Nevertheless, if Lu Daoist is willing to return the corpses of our family's ancestors and my brother, my Yu Family is willing to offer compensation."

Yu Ninghu clenched his fists inside his sleeves, doing his best to keep his voice calm as he spoke.

He knew that with the Lu Family's preparedness and strong presence, there was clearly intent behind this visit.

Today, if their Yu Family didn't bleed heavily, this matter couldn't be resolved easily.

“Since that’s the case, this matter can be settled with your Bi Lake Mountain’s spiritual lands as compensation.”

Lu Changsheng spoke out blandly.

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“What!?”

“You wish!”

“You are really pushing too far!”

“Elder, let’s fight them to the death if we must!”

In Bi Lake Mountain, Yu Family cultivators who heard these words were furious.

They killed their Elder Ancestor and now wanted Bi Lake Mountain as compensation, an outrageous demand!

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“Lu Daoist must be joking.”

“Bi Lake Mountain is the ancestral land of my Yu Family, we cannot simply hand it over as compensation.”

Yu Ninghu raised his hand, calling for everyone to be quiet, suppressing his rage as he spoke with a gesture of respect.

“Elder!”

“Big brother!”

“Ning Hu!”

The Yu Family members, watching Yu Ninghu face such aggressive demands and yet only able to bow and scrape, felt indignant and frustrated but were left speechless.

After all, their three Foundation Establishment Ancestors had died at the hands of these four people.

They were no match for Lu Family and the others.

“This person is indeed talented.”

Lu Changsheng, observing the still calm Yu Ninghu, thought to himself.

He knew that if he really seized the Yu Family’s land, this person could not be left alive.

He looked at Yu Ninghu and said indifferently, “Joking? I assure you, I am not joking. Today, the Yu Family will either voluntarily offer Bi Lake Mountain as compensation or... I will take it myself!”

“Lu Daoist, do not go too far; my Yu Family is not to be trifariously bullied!”

“My Bi Lake Mountain is protected by a Second Rank Great Formation, even if you four manage to break the formation, it’s not certain...”

Yu Ninghu said with a cold look, his voice icy.

He knew he couldn’t keep retreating.

Otherwise, it would appear that his family was weak and easily bullied.

However, before he could finish,

Ling Zixiao stepped out from the Spirit Boat, her hands forming seals, as she cast two tokens and several flags into the air, circling above.

At the same time, a silver prohibition-breaking talisman was launched towards Bi Lake Mountain.

“Boom!”

Instantly, the Bi Lake Mountain Great Formation showed intense fluctuations, causing the hazy mist to churn turbulently, vaguely revealing the interior of Bi Lake Mountain.

“A Second Rank Great Formation for protection?”

“If you now willingly offer Bi Lake Mountain as compensation, my husband will gift you Ming Creek Mountain as your Yu Family land, ensuring your family’s safety for the future. Otherwise, the moment the Great Formation breaks today, will mark the doom of your Yu Family!”

Ling Zixiao stood in the air in her flowing blue dress, her graceful figure outlined, her eyes clear and cold as she spoke.

“A prohibition-breaking talisman? An Array Master!?”

Yu Ninghu saw this and his eyes narrowed.

He immediately realized that Ling Zixiao was an Array Master.

Only an Array Master could use their family’s Formation Commands to affect the operation of the Great Formation.

Instantly pinpointing the formation’s weak points and effectively attacking with the prohibition-breaking talisman caused such a disturbance.

“Ling Daoist is actually an Array Master?”

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang were both startled.

They had heard that Ling Zixiao was an Array Master.

They thought at best she was a Top-Level First Grade Array Master.

But now, Ling Zixiao's swift actions clearly showed it wasn't that simple.

Other Lu Family members such as Lu Miaoyun and Lu Miaohuan looked on in surprise from the other Spirit Boats.

They hadn't expected the always graceful and tranquil Ling Zixiao to be not only a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator but also an Array Master!

"If you all intend to seize our Yu Family land, then there's nothing more to discuss!"

"Even if we must die, we will not hand over our ancestral land! We'll fight to the bitter end!"

Yu Ninghu's heart trembled, and he spoke with clenched teeth.

The weight of his whole family's future was on his shoulders.

Naturally, he couldn't just part with their ancestral land after a few words from the other party.

How could he face his ancestors in the future?

He would live in guilt and shame all his life!

"Everyone, form the array!"

Yu Ninghu shouted, mana surging, instructing the Yu Family cultivators to channel their energy into the Great Formation, preparing to activate it for battle.

"A fight to the bitter end?"

"If you won't listen to reason, then you will be buried with Bi Lake Mountain!"

Ling Zixiao's face remained calm and collected as she spoke coldly.

With a flick of her hands, she slapped her Storage Bag.

“Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh—”

An Array Plate and hundreds of formation flags appeared.

She manipulated the Array Plate, sending the flags flying in all directions to start the array formation.

“Bai Daoist, to the southeast!”

“Lu Daoist, to the northwest!”

“My husband, use the prohibition-breaking talisman, attack the mountain directly!”

Ling Zixiao directed the three of them, signaling the assault on Bi Lake Mountain.

This command took the three of them by surprise.

They hadn't expected Ling Zixiao to resort to breaking the formation and attacking the mountain without any preamble.

But the three of them also understood that in the current situation, they absolutely could not show weakness.

They had to keep the initiative in their hands!

“Alright!”

The three of them did not hesitate and answered in unison.

Following Ling Zixiao's instructions, they went to their corresponding positions to attack the formation's weak points.

"If it weren't for your Yu Family's Formation Commands, breaking through today wouldn't have been so easy."

Ling Zixiao looked at Bi Lake Mountain, let out a light laugh, then manipulated the Array Plate and shouted, "Formation, activate!"

"Boom—"

In an instant, streams of Spiritual Light spread out, causing the Spiritual Energy within Bi Lake Mountain to surge violently.

The Great Formation was trembling.

"What is happening!?"

"Not good; they're using our family's Great Formation tokens to disrupt the formation's operation, attempting to break the formation with their own formation!"

"Elder Ancestor!!!"

"Elder Ancestor, what do we do!"

Faced with this situation, the cultivators of Bi Lake Mountain began to panic.

Currently, their family's protective Great Formation was their only reliance!

But now, this sole reliance showed a breach!

"You too, take action, break the formation!"

Ling Zixiao looked toward the people on the other four Spirit Boats and instructed.

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Have them attack the Great Formation head-on.

Her mental spirit is limited.

Controlling the formation on one hand and transmitting sound to let Lu Changsheng and the others break the formation was already her limit.

There was no way to command the rest of the people; she could only let them add pressure to the Great Formation.

“Boom boom boom——”

The ‘Bi Water Azure Sky Great Formation’ of Bi Lake Mountain, under Ling Zixiao’s array and everyone’s attacks, glowed erratically with spiritual light. The spiritual energy within the formation surged tumultuously, making the entire Bi Lake Mountain seem to tremble, and the mana within the cultivators was unstable.

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“My spiritual power is out of control!”

“Not good, she’s seizing control of the Great Formation!”

“Big brother, what should we do?”

“Ning Hu!”

Panic instantly spread within Bi Lake Mountain; everyone looked to Yu Ninghu, waiting for him to make a decisive decision.

Although among these people, some were not afraid to die and wished to fight against Lu Changsheng and the others.

But now the Great Formation had been disturbed and influenced by the opponent, even fighting for control.

Continuing this way, they were utterly powerless to fight back, let alone make a last stand.

Moreover, within Bi Lake Mountain, many of the Yu Family's side branches and non-surnamed members didn't have deep feelings for the family and didn't want to die here like this.

"Damn it!"

Yu Ninghu clenched his fists tightly, his face grim and unsightly.

He had never imagined that their family's Great Formation would seem so vulnerable at this moment.

He had previously realized that the identity token of the family ancestor was an array token that could impact the Great Formation and that someone could sneak into the family.

But he never expected that the opponent would have an Array Master!

Directly using the array token to break the formation with a formation, externally disrupting the operation of their own Great Formation.

At this moment, he also guessed how their own family's ancestors had perished.

They surely were lured into a killing formation pre-arranged by the Lu Family, and through that formation, their ancestor was suppressed and killed!

"How ruthless of the Lu Family! So well hidden!"

“This time, making Lu Miao breakthrough to Foundation Establishment at Qingzhu Mountain was clearly a deliberate ploy to lure our Yu Family there!”

Inside the sleeves of Yu Ninghu, his fists were clenched, veins bulging.

He deeply realized that his family had fallen into a trap.

To think that he had fallen into the Lu Family’s hands so easily.

And now, the Lu Family were demanding Bi Lake Mountain as compensation, presumably using the moral high ground as an excuse to force his family to comply and to make a move against them.

Otherwise, with the current strength of the Lu Family, guarding both Qingzhu Mountain and Bi Lake Mountain would also be difficult.

They would have to face the covetous gaze of surrounding hostile families.

“Lu Changsheng...”

His gaze shifted toward Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao.

He knew that these two were the real formidable enemies.

One, a Second Rank master of the Talisman Path with many talismans.

The other, a Second Rank Array Master, using formations to break formations!

“Turn!”

Ling Zixiao, dressed in flowing blue robes, tall and graceful, her normally calm and elegant pale face now showing a hint of imperious coldness.

As she parted her red lips slightly, the array plate in her hand was thrown out, and in an instant, the array flags all around burst into spiritual light, their energies intertwining, causing the earth's energy within Bi Lake Mountain to churn and the spiritual energy to shake.

“Pfft!”

“Not good!”

“She’s manipulating our Bi Lake Mountain Great Formation, seeking to use its power to suppress us!”

With the spiritual energy inside Bi Lake Mountain shaking, some Yu Family cultivators who were only at the early or middle stages of Qi Refinement immediately felt turmoil in their Qi and blood.

Especially those Yu Family members whose Qi was integrated with the Great Formation were at this moment emitting heavy groans, their breath in disarray, either coughing up blood or feeling oppressed.

“Such an array technique!”

“Who is this person, how did Lu Changsheng come to know such an Array Master!”

Yu Ninghu, suppressing the mana and blood in him, revealed a shocked expression in his eyes.

Although Ling Zixiao’s prowess couldn’t cause much harm to him as a Foundation Establishment Great Cultivator, the ordinary mortals and Qi Refinement cultivators within the mountain were facing severe injuries.

What she said about burying the entire Bi Lake Mountain with them was not an empty threat!

Moreover, as the opponent operated the Great Formation, he could feel Ling Zixiao’s array might continue to climb higher, seemingly brewing a terribly fearsome strike.

“If you’re still delusional, then don’t blame me for overturning your Bi Lake Mountain, making the whole mountain the burial ground for your decision!”

Ling Zixiao's eyes were as cold as water.

Her pale beautiful face at this moment had an indescribable domineering aura, her charisma captivating.

"This woman isn't an ordinary Second Rank Array Master; likely she's a high-quality Second Rank Array Master!"

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang, looking at Ling Zixiao, couldn't help but feel a dryness in their throats.

They had come into contact with Array Masters before, having learned some knowledge about the Formation Path.

They knew that Ling Zixiao's level was far from ordinary.

Her skill level was extremely high!

At the same time, they were astonished that Lu Changsheng could form a cultivator pair with such an outstanding woman!

"Didn't expect Zi Xiao to have such a domineering side."

Lu Changsheng, looking at Ling Zixiao's unmatched charm, thought to himself.

When Ling Zixiao was with him, although it was evident she had some pride, overall she was gentle, dignified, and understood the bigger picture, making her very comfortable to be around.

She never showed such an imperious and domineering side.

But thinking about it, he could understand.

Ling Zixiao, in both cultivation and the Formation Path, was a prodigy.

At a young age, not only had she broken through to Foundation Establishment, but she was also a Second Rank Array Master.

How could such a splendid woman not have pride?

It was only because of the Dragon Roar Physique that she had been weak all along, and coming to Jiuxiao Immortal City, she concealed her inner pride.

But in Jiuxiao Immortal City, Ling Zixiao had also made quite a name for herself.

Now, in the Qingyun Region, facing families like the Lu Family and the Yu Family, she probably had some disdain in her bones.

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This situation was somewhat prideful, which was quite normal.

“Damn it!”

“Big brother!”

“Ancestor! We might as well fight them to the death!”

The people of Bi Lake Mountain shouted toward Yu Ninghu, their expressions either anguished and furious or panicked and desperate!

Except for a few senior members, most of them only had the cultivation level of the Qi Refinement initial or middle stages.

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Under the might of the great formation, the Qi, blood, and spiritual power within their bodies surged turbulently.

If this continued, they were certain to die.

Now, with the death of their family ancestor and his body suspended before them.

And them, facing the enemy, could not even talk of revenge, let alone fight back or resist, how could they not be angry or desperate!

“Boom boom boom——”

The Bi Water Azure Sky Great Formation, under the assault of Ling Zixiao, Lu Changsheng, and others, kept making thunderous noises.

The dense mists and wandering runes and spiritual lights that enveloped it all dimmed considerably.

Under increasingly fierce attacks, the magic aura inside Yu Ninghu began to surge as well.

Looking at his own cultivators and younger generations struggling under the might of the formation, each with pale faces, disordered breaths, and vomiting blood, his face twisted, his fingernails piercing his palms until they bled, he suddenly raised his head and shouted at Ling Zixiao: “Stop!”

“Fellow Daoists, please stop... My Yu Family is willing to offer Bi Lake Mountain as compensation...”

Yu Ninghu’s voice became extremely hoarse.

To hand over the ancestral foundation willingly, he was naturally reluctant.

But.

If people are lost without the land, both will be lost!

If the land is lost but people remain, both can be kept!

As long as the green hills are there, there's no fear of running out of firewood!

If today he could bring the other party down with him, he would naturally be willing to risk his life!

But now, facing Lu Changsheng and others, they had absolutely no strength to fight back.

At most, they could only make the opponent suffer some losses and be seriously injured!

Such anger, hatred, and desperation were meaningless!

"If that's the case, open the formation quickly!"

Upon hearing this, Ling Zixiao's expression was clear and sharp, and he said in a cold voice.

"Ning Hu!"

"Big brother!"

"Ancestor!"

The other Yu Family cultivators, hearing these words, all looked toward Yu Ninghu.

Some were sorrowful and furious!

Some were relieved and breathed a sigh of relief!

"I ask my fellow Daoists to make a Heart Demon oath."

"As long as my Yu Family is willing to offer Bi Lake Mountain as compensation, let this matter end here..."

Yu Ninghu's face was filled with bitterness, with unwilling tears in his eyes.

Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao exchanged glances.

Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang, hearing this, also stopped their assault.

Soon, the four made a Heart Demon oath.

They stated that if the Yu Family offered all the foundations of Bi Lake Mountain as compensation, the feud between the two families would thus be settled.

“Open the formation!”

Seeing that Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao and others had made Heart Demon oaths, Yu Ninghu gritted his teeth and shouted loudly at the people.

At this moment, even if some were reluctant, they could only follow the order.

“Boom!”

The Mountain Gate Grand Formation of Bi Lake Mountain was opened.

Immediately, Ling Zixiao stopped his assault and took out a Second Rank Spiritual Contract.

In Red Leaf Valley, they established a treaty, binding the Yu Family to commence the signing of the contract with Yu Ninghu.

It stated that, given their mutual grievances, today the Yu Family would offer Bi Lake Mountain as compensation to the Lu Family, to Lu Changsheng.

In return, the Lu Family would provide the Yu Family with a temporary residence at Xiao Jing Mountain.

The Yu Family must reside at Xiao Jing Mountain for ten years!

During this ten-year period, neither family may attack the other!

Additionally, the Yu Family must cooperate in transferring all the properties under the name of Bi Lake Mountain!

“This is impossible!”

Upon seeing the Spiritual Contract, the Patriarch of the Yu Family, Yu Ningyuan, immediately exclaimed loudly.

Now, by relinquishing Bi Lake Mountain, their Yu Family still had hopes of a resurgence, relying on the family’s properties.

But once all the properties under Bi Lake Mountain were transferred, it would be exceedingly difficult for the Yu Family to rise again!

“Fellow Daoist, isn’t this a bit too coercive?”

Yu Ninghu’s expression was ugly as he addressed Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao, unwilling to sign such a contract.

Not only does his family have to confine themselves for ten years,

but they also have to cooperate in transferring family properties during these ten years.

It was tantamount to the family relinquishing their animosity and becoming a vassal to the Lu Family for ten years!

How could he possibly agree to such a thing!

“Yu Daoist friend, you now have no choice,”

Ling Zixiao said coldly.

After speaking, she laughed lightly and added, “Of course, we won’t be too unreasonable. As long as your Yu Family cooperates, we can preserve some of your properties.”

“Sigh!”

Yu Ninghu’s eyes closed tightly as he took a deep breath and exhaled.

He knew that at this moment, his family no longer had any negotiating leverage.

Eventually, the two parties finalized the contract.

If the Yu Family cooperates within ten years, some of their properties can be retained.

Regarding the division of properties, those far from Bi Lake Mountain or in some smaller marketplaces would be given to the Yu Family.

However, properties around the Yu Family, like those in the Red Leaf Valley Market and the Nine Dragons Market, would all be transferred under the name of the Lu Family.

“But please grant us some time... to relocate,”

After signing the contract and handing over the control of the family’s grand formation, Yu Ninghu looked completely drained, overwhelmed with weakness.

Even though he knew that his actions today were for the sake of preserving the family,

it was still difficult for him to face his ancestors after surrendering the family’s ancestral lands and foundations on a silver platter.

“When you relocate, I hope none of you will do anything destructive,”

“After all, from today onwards, Bi Lake Mountain will be the spirit land of my lord husband!”

Ling Zixiao's pale and delicate features softened their chill, revealing a dignified and elegant demeanor as she spoke softly.

However, everyone who saw her demure form and frail appearance dared not underestimate her.

"My lord husband's spirit land?"

Upon hearing this, Yu Ninghu turned to look at Lu Changsheng.

He suddenly realized that he had misjudged the situation.

The Lu Family wasn't using the demand for Bi Lake Mountain as a spirit land to take the moral high ground and force his family into submission to seize their legacy.

Everything today was led by Lu Changsheng and the woman named Ling Zixiao.

It was Lu Changsheng who desired to take over their ancestral land and establish his own sect!

At this moment, regret surged through him!

He understood that if Lu Changsheng wanted to establish his own sect, he could have taken advantage of the grand formation not being activated earlier to negotiate terms with Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao.

Although he couldn't defeat people like Lu Changsheng,

he could have used the grand formation to sabotage his family's fishery, herb gardens, spirit fields, and spirit veins.

Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao certainly wouldn't want to receive a ruined and dilapidated Bi Lake Mountain!

But now, with everything settled, he had nothing more to say.

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“Congratulations, Lu Daoist. Now that the matter is settled, I shall not stay long and will make my way back first.”

As the dust settled on the issue, Bai Yunyang bid farewell to Lu Changsheng with clasped hands, indicating his intention to return to Hundred Birds Lake.

“White Daoist has worked hard on this trip. Once the matter is fully dealt with, we will find time to drink and celebrate together!”

Lu Changsheng clasped his hands slightly toward Bai Yunyang and said with a smile.

Although Bai Yunyang hadn't exerted too much effort on this trip,

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such an affair, for someone to willingly offer assistance and show their stance, was already quite commendable.

In response, he was willing to reciprocate the kindness.

Moreover, he had long thought out his own family's path.

His main focus was to avoid strife, make wide connections, and believe that harmony brings wealth!

“Good, when Lu Daoist establishes your family's grand ceremony, I will definitely come to observe the ceremony and join you for a drink and a chat!”

Upon hearing this, Bai Yunyang immediately responded with clasped hands and a smile.

In his expression and words, however, he couldn't help but convey a measure of respect and awe.

Although everyone was a Foundation Establishment Cultivator,

there were still differences between individuals!

The Lu Changsheng before him, who single-handedly killed three Foundation Building Great Cultivators, how could he not feel a deep sense of reverence toward him.

He felt fortunate that he had befriended Lu Changsheng on this trip.

Otherwise, with the combination of Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao, which neighboring family or power wouldn't live in apprehension?

Having said that, he also clasped hands towards Ling Zixiao and Lu Yuanzhong and bid them farewell aloud.

“Daoist Bai, take care.”

“Nephew Bai, go slowly.”

Ling Zixiao and Lu Yuanzhong nodded slightly.

“Screech!”

The next moment, Bai Yunyang released a black Flying Eagle from his Spiritual Pet Bag at the Energy Refinement Late Stage, and rode away on it.

“Zi Xiao, are you alright?”

After watching Bai Yunyang leave, Lu Changsheng approached Ling Zixiao, took her fair wrist, and checked on her condition.

He had always been aware of Ling Zixiao's physical condition.

Although she had recovered considerably after more than a year of care,

the atrophy of her meridians and Dantian had not been resolved.

If she used too much mana, it would injure her meridians and Dantian!

Just now, Ling Zixiao's effort to break the formation would certainly have placed a certain load on her meridians and Dantian.

"Husband, it's nothing serious."

Ling Zixiao conveyed to Lu Changsheng through a message, speaking in a soft tone.

However, as Lu Changsheng held Ling Zixiao's wrist to examine her condition, he immediately saw that her meridians and Dantian were under severe strain, a total mess.

If it continued, there was fear of meridian damage.

Instantly, he understood that Ling Zixiao had actually reached her limit just now and had been bluffing Yu Ninghu.

With her current condition, she was truly unable to continue using mana to break formations.

"Changsheng, someone needs to be stationed in the family, Miaoge is still at Foundation Establishment, shall I go back first?"

At that moment, Lu Yuanzhong spoke to Lu Changsheng from the side.

With the issue of Blue Lake Mountain settled.

In his view, having Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao stationed there was sufficient.

Now that Qingzhu Mountain was in a vulnerable state, protected only by the Great Formation, he had to get back early.

“Good, Old Ancestor, you have worked hard on this matter.”

“You take Miaoyun and the others back first, leave a few elder family members skilled in dealing with affairs, and they will take over the Yu Family affairs with me later,” said Lu Changsheng, nodding to Lu Yuanzhong.

Since Ling Zixiao was currently unwell, needing proper care and healing,

he planned to settle down in Blue Lake Mountain.

He would wait for the Yu Family to complete their relocation and handle their affairs.

But he was not very adept at dealing with family affairs, so he needed a few people to help.

“Good.”

Lu Yuanzhong, upon hearing this, immediately arranged for several people to stay behind at Blue Lake Mountain with Lu Changsheng.

“Yun’er, Huanhuan, you two follow the Old Ancestor back first, and I will come to pick you up later,” Lu Changsheng said, advancing towards his wives Lu Miaoyun and Lu Miaohuan.

“Husband, be careful.”

The two women nodded in response.

Looking towards Lu Changsheng, there was also a newfound reverence in their eyes.

As his wives, they thought they were quite familiar with Lu Changsheng.

But Lu Changsheng's actions and performance that day made them realize that they did not really understand their husband as much as they thought.

"Hmm, be careful as well," he responded.

"Huanhuan, keep that puppet for self-defense," said Lu Changsheng in a gentle voice, knowing his wife had many questions in her mind.

But, such matters were not something he had time to explain right now.

After speaking, he looked towards the children on the Spirit Boat and called out, "Xianzhi, Yun'er, Xiaoru, you three stay behind and help the family elders with the Blue Lake Mountain affairs later."

Lu Changsheng spoke to his sons Lu Xianzhi, Lu Yun, and his daughter Lu Xiaoru.

Once Blue Lake Mountain was fully taken over, he naturally wanted to place his children in charge.

Now that Lu Xianzhi and a few other people had arrived, he wanted them to get acquainted with the situation first.

"Yes, Father!"

The three children responded, some excited and pleased.

This caused other children and Lu Family Disciples to look at them with some envy.

After that, Lu Changsheng and others settled in with the Yu Family.

During this time, Lu Changsheng wasn't worried about the Yu Family causing any trouble.

After all, the control of Blue Lake Mountain's Great Formation was now in the hands of Ling Zixiao.

Moreover, if it really came down to a fight, he alone could wipe out all of the Yu Family members.

Shortly after, Lu Changsheng began healing Ling Zixiao in a room, stabilizing her physical condition.

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Yu Family Ancestral Hall.

“Big brother, do we really have to move?”

“Ning Hu...”

All the core disciples and elders of the Yu Family looked towards Yu Ninghu with faces filled with unwillingness and righteous indignation.

“Move!”

Yu Ninghu spoke with a calm and indifferent expression.

“Now that the Old Ancestor is gone, and the situation is beyond our control, what else can we do if we don’t move? Do you really want to fight to the death?”

“If fighting to the death could avenge our Old Ancestor, I, Yu Ninghu, would naturally not be afraid!”

“But... that would be nothing more than a needless sacrifice.”

“Our Yu Family history records that three hundred years ago, our ancestors rose from a small Energy Refinement family step by step, broke through to Foundation Establishment, seized Blue Lake Mountain, and established the Blue Lake Mountain Yu Family!”