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Chapter 891: Jin Family's Scheme, 3rd Advanced Level Draw! Severing Spiritual Veins!_4

"If I could draw a suitable Cultivation Technique for myself, that would be fantastic," Lu Changsheng thought to himself.

He was currently cultivating "The Seven Luminaries Great Freedom Sword Scripture," which belonged to the Top-Level Techniques.

But through Hong Lian and Xu Ruyin's cultivation of Beast Techniques, he knew that there were Techniques at even higher levels than Orthodox Level in this world.

If he could cultivate such Techniques, it would be of significant help to his future cultivation.

However, these kinds of Techniques were rare in the world, and even Hong Lian had only heard a bit about them and obtained a Beast Technique.

Now, the only possibility he had to obtain such a high-level Technique was through the system.

Without giving it much thought, under the respectful and fearful gazes of several cultivators, Lu Changsheng walked out of the Zhao family's Forge Pool and came to the peak of a mountain, silently chanting, "System, draw!"

Instantly, the Advanced Level lucky draw roulette appeared, and golden lights started to spin.

A moment later, the golden light paused and stopped on the 'Heavenly and Earthly Treasures' reward column.

[Ding! Congratulations host, you've obtained an Exotic Treasure: Myriad Spirits Bottle!]

[Reward has been deposited in the System Space, host can check at any time.]

A small cylindrical bottle with a slender neck, emerald green as jade, emerged from the draw platform, accompanied by a system notification sound.

“Exotic Treasure, Myriad Spirits Bottle?” Lu Changsheng raised his eyebrows.

Although it wasn’t the Technique he wanted, he was still quite appreciative of the exotic treasure.

After all, the three major exotic treasures he had obtained from previous draws, the Book of Malevolent Curses and Fates, Profound Origin Bead, and Misty Sky Bead, were all quite good.

Except for the Book of Malevolent Curses and Fates, the other two had been quite helpful to him.

Especially the Profound Origin Bead.

Lu Changsheng’s mental spirit stirred slightly, and he looked towards the System Space.

[Myriad Spirits Bottle]

[Grade: Fifth Rank]

[Description: The treasure of Green Wood Valley’s sect, initially created by the founder, Elder Qingmu, after observing a Xuantian Treasure, greatly assists in nurturing Spirit Grass and Spiritual Medicine.]

“Fifth Rank, and it’s greatly helpful for nurturing Spirit Grass and Spiritual Medicine?”

“Is this Green Wood Valley some kind of Spiritual Plant Master sect, using such an item as their sect’s treasure?”

Lu Changsheng looked at the description of the Myriad Spirits Bottle in front of him, frowning.

He felt that the reward he had received was somewhat disappointing.

After pondering for a moment, he came to a Cave Mansion and took the Myriad Spirits Bottle out of the System Space.

Immediately.

A palm-sized, emerald green bottle emerged in his hand, radiating a faint jade light, and decorated with several leaf-shaped patterns.

The material of this bottle was unknown.

Seeming like jade but not jade, like gold but not gold, like stone but not stone, like wood but not wood, its material was unclear, heavy in hand, exuding an ancient and abundant aura.

“Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew, one drop condenses every year, a single drop grants a hundred years of growth?!?”

Lu Changsheng, now aware of the specific effect of the Myriad Spirits Bottle, was surprised.

Just as the system description indicated, this Myriad Spirits Bottle was greatly helpful in nurturing Spirit Grass and Spiritual Medicine!

The little bottle could absorb the essence of heaven and earth on its own, condensing a liquid called ‘Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew’ inside.

This ‘Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew’ could be used to nurture Spirit Plants.

For just-planted Spirit Grass or Spiritual Medicine, a single drop could make them grow into a hundred-year-old Spiritual Medicine within a few days.

For hundred-year-old Spiritual Medicine, or particularly rare and difficult to cultivate Spirit Grass or Spiritual Medicine, the effect was somewhat lesser.

But a single drop could still make them grow sixty to seventy years!

For thousand-year-old grade medicines, the effect would be even less, adding only about thirty to fifty years of growth.

But regardless, this Myriad Spirits Bottle was indeed tremendously helpful for nurturing Spirit Grass and Spiritual Medicine.

One could say that with this Myriad Spirits Bottle, there was no lack of century-old or millennium-old Spiritual Medicine!

“This Myriad Spirits Bottle is effective on all Spirit Plants, does this mean I can use it to nurture Mount Sumeru, as well as the Luminous Treasure Tree, Auspicious Tree, Abyssal Ghoul Blossom?”

“In that case, even if my Family Spirit Land hasn’t reached Third Rank, the Spirit Plants could grow quickly, thereby rapidly advancing Yun’er, Zhenzhen, and Huanhuan’s ‘Heaven and Earth Longevity Technique’?”

Lu Changsheng paused, thinking about Mount Sumeru Tree King and his three wives at home.

The Mount Sumeru Tree King was currently just maintaining growth, with practically no improvement in its cultivation.

Although Lu Miaoyun had made a breakthrough in Ninth Level Energy Refinement thanks to the Heaven and Earth Longevity Technique,

due to the limited conditions of the family’s Spirit Land, the growth of the Luminous Treasure Tree was too slow, potentially taking decades to break through to Foundation Establishment.

But this ‘Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew’ from the Myriad Spirits Bottle could allow Spirit Plants to achieve a hundred years of growth within just a few days!

Even though the effect on such Third Rank Spirit Plants as the Mount Sumeru ancient tree and the Luminous Treasure Tree would be diminished, it could still result in decades of growth!

“Looking at it this way, this Myriad Spirits Bottle is not bad, deserving the status of a sect treasure.”

“Moreover, if I acquire any rare Spirit Plant, I can rely on this Myriad Spirits Bottle to mature it rapidly, even mass produce it.”

Lu Changsheng looked at the green bottle in his hand, his eyes slightly narrowed, silently pondering.

He felt this Myriad Spirits Bottle was still a treasure, worth his Advanced Level lucky draw.

“However, it doesn’t even come with a single drop of Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew to start off, which is rather thoughtless!”

Lu Changsheng remarked, somewhat speechless as he finished examining the Myriad Spirits Bottle.

Gathering Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew was quite simple.

As long as it was placed outside, it would automatically absorb the heaven and earth essence and condense ‘Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew.’

He didn’t need to do anything himself.

But the thought of waiting a year to see the effect truly made Lu Changsheng a bit uncomfortable.

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A month later.

The Magic Artifacts needed by Lu Changsheng to sever the Spiritual Vein Origin were finally ready.

He and Lu Miaoge came to the Spiritual Spring at White Tiger Mountain.

“Sister Miaoge, I have a Secret Technique that can sever the Origin Source of a Spirit Vein, used for nurturing and upgrading other Spirit Veins.”

“I am planning to sever part of the Origin Source of the White Tiger Mountain Spirit Vein to cultivate the Bi Lake Mountain Spirit Vein. Keep watch outside for me, and don’t let anyone disturb me.”

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Lu Changsheng said to his wife, Lu Miaoge.

Though he dared to multitask with alchemy and talisman making,

he wouldn't dare to act recklessly when it came to severing a Spirit Vein; thus, he called upon Lu Miaoge to act as his protector.

“Severing the Origin Source of a Spirit Vein!?”

Lu Miaoge's beautiful face slightly froze, hearing of such a shocking and unconventional method for the first time.

She didn't ask further and immediately nodded, “Alright, Changsheng, rest assured.”

“Origin Spirit Pupillary Art!”

Lu Changsheng performed the Origin Spirit Pupillary Art, his eyes shooting out two purple lights, hoping to thoroughly understand the details of the Spirit Vein.

Severing a Spirit Vein wasn't something to be undertaken lightly; a precise location on the Spirit Vein had to be chosen.

After investigating the general situation through the Origin Spirit Pupillary Art, Lu Changsheng slapped his storage bag and the True Yang Five Elements Sword appeared.

“Clang—”

Lu Changsheng wielded his Flying Sword, planning to pierce through the ground.

This Spiritual Spring was located right beneath the Cave Mansion; although Lu Changsheng had disabled the Formation's prohibitions of the mansion, the ground was still covered with a layer of some unknown metal.

Had it not been for Lu Changsheng's exceptional cultivation level, an ordinary Foundation Establishment Cultivator would have really struggled to break through this metallic floor.

"Clang, Clang, Clang—"

The continuous metallic clang echoed throughout the Cave Mansion.

It took almost an hour before Lu Changsheng managed to break through the thick metallic foundation of the ground.

"Dammit, in the future, I should always carry a shovel or hoe-type Artifact with me; otherwise, this is just too troublesome and wears out the Flying Sword too much."

Lu Changsheng exhaled deeply, feeling that using a Flying Sword for such laborious tasks was truly too strenuous.

Yet, he couldn't very well allow others to do this sort of hard labor.

After contemplating for a moment, he took out Jin Zan's Life-bound Spiritual Artifact from the storage ring to use as a shovel.

At this moment, the utility of Mr. Lu's Quasi-Third Order Body Refining shone.

Just like this, Lu Changsheng mined while checking the Spirit Vein's condition through the Origin Spirit Pupillary Art, finally locating the White Tiger Mountain's Spirit Vein.

This Spirit Vein looked like a pyramid-shaped massive rock layer, spreading its radiance throughout the entire White Tiger Mountain, with three small First-Grade Spirit Veins branching alongside.

A Spirit Vein could also be considered a type of Heavenly and Earthly Treasure.

Throughout endless years, for various reasons, it slowly formed by aggregating the essence of heaven and earth, referred to by Dragon Seekers as the Spirit of Mountains and Rivers.

The Spirit of Mountains and Rivers was very special; once formed, it would continuously generate Spiritual Energy.

However, it grew incredibly slowly and couldn't be moved even a fraction of an inch.

During the time, if there were any changes to the terrain of mountains and rivers, it would affect the Spirit of Mountains and Rivers, thereby affecting the entire Spirit Land.

“Sigh!”

Lu Changsheng looked at the Spirit Vein before him, and after confirming the situation, he sat down to meditate and adjust his state.

The act of severing the Origin Source of a Spirit Vein couldn't be taken lightly.

Any mishap could potentially ruin the entire Spirit Vein!

Had he not gained a complete and advanced level in the Second-Order Dragon Seeking Technique, as if he had experienced countless battles and was extremely skilled, he wouldn't dare to try this lightly.

“Subdue Mountains and Rivers!”

Lu Changsheng produced a compass in his hand, made a Gesture Incantation, and sent the compass flying.

The compass displayed an earthy yellow luster, enveloping the entire pyramid-shaped rock layer.

Then, he slapped his storage bag.

“Whoosh, whoosh, whoosh—”

Black Nail Talismans were controlled by Lu Changsheng and inserted into the Origin Source of the Spirit Vein.

The Spiritual Energy dissipation from White Tiger Mountain was noticeably slower.

Lu Changsheng's expression was serious as he focused intently, directing spells at each of the Black Nail Talismans.

After a long while, the pyramid-shaped massive rock layer was wrapped in an earthy yellow luster, making the Spirit Vein seem as if it were slumbering, with no Spiritual Energy leaking out.

“Origin Spirit Intercept Vein Technique!”

Immediately, Lu Changsheng saw this and released a Tri-footed Round Cauldron above the Spirit Vein, continuously forming Gesture Incantations with his hands.

“Buzz, buzz, buzz—”

The Spirit Vein, resembling a giant rock layer, seemed to tremble at this moment, with Spiritual Energy shaking and spilling out, causing the entire terrain of White Tiger Mountain to seem to vibrate.

Faced with this situation, Lu Changsheng was also a bit nervous.

Nevertheless, after the Spirit Vein trembled for a moment, the Tri-footed Round Cauldron, glowing with an ancient luster, merged into the massive rock layer.

Seeing this scene, Lu Changsheng breathed a sigh of relief.

He didn't relax, remaining focused on the situation before him, and kept sending out spells from his hands.

In this manner, time passed little by little.

Several days later.

“Chi!”

Lu Changsheng let out a soft shout, directing spell after spell at the Spirit Vein.

The Tri-footed Round Cauldron that had blended into it slowly re-emerged from the Spirit Vein.

It was visible that the interior of the previously empty Tri-footed Round Cauldron now contained a small rock layer that resembled the Spirit Vein.

“It’s done!”

A look of joy emerged in Lu Changsheng’s eyes.

“Retrieve!”

With a soft shout, he formed Gesture Incantations with his hands and slowly retrieved the Tri-footed Round Cauldron.

Then, he repeated the steps, pulling out each of the Black Nail Talismans that had been driven into the Spirit Vein.

As he did so, the Spirit Vein of White Tiger Mountain began to disperse Spiritual Energy once again.

However, the concentration of Spiritual Energy was clearly inferior compared to before.

The Spirit Vein of White Tiger Mountain was almost advancing towards a Second-Order Superior quality, but now, even maintaining a Second-Grade Medium Quality seemed forced.

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“Changsheng, how is it?”

Lu Miaoge saw Lu Changsheng walking out of the cave mansion, her beautiful eyes full of tender concern.

She was here, faintly sensing the changes in the Spirit Vein.

Knowing that Lu Changsheng wanted to intercept the Origin Source of the Spirit Vein, it was certainly not easy.

“The great task is accomplished.”

Lu Changsheng looked at his wife’s gentle and beautiful face and laughed out loud.

As he spoke, he gently lifted his palm, and a tri-footed bronze cauldron wrapped in earthy yellow luster appeared.

“Is this the Origin Source of the Spirit Vein inside?”

Lu Miaoge looked at the small cauldron, her beautiful eyes filled with surprise and curiosity.

She knew about the Spirit Vein but had never seen what it looked like and did not know what the Origin Source of a Spirit Vein was.

Or rather, most people knew about Spirit Veins but could not articulate what a Spirit Vein was.

“Yes, this is the Origin Source of the Spirit Vein that I intercepted from White Tiger Mountain.”

Lu Changsheng nodded and explained the principle to her.

“Changsheng, how much impact will this interception of the Spirit Vein have on White Tiger Mountain?”

Lu Miaoge asked gently.

Intercepting a Spirit Vein was a matter of great significance; if other families knew, they would all be wary.

“There will be an impact, but it won’t be too severe. The Spirit Vein of White Tiger Mountain was about to advance to Second-order Superior, now it barely maintains at Second Grade Medium Quality.”

“Currently, the Zhao Family has no Foundation Establishment Cultivators, they might notice, but it won’t be very obvious.”

Lu Changsheng said so.

Since he had intercepted the Spirit Vein, he naturally considered this aspect.

“Just barely maintaining Second Order Middle Grade Spirit Vein.”

Lu Miaoge nodded slightly, this level of Spirit Vein was enough for one family.

Moreover, given the current situation of the Zhao Family, they did not have much demand for the Spirit Vein.

“Now that the matter is almost handled, I’ll leave this place under Quanzhen’s management; let us first return to Bihu Mountain.”

Lu Changsheng put away the small cauldron and said aloud.

Now that the situation at White Tiger Mountain was stable and the Spirit Vein was intercepted, he naturally planned to return.

During these days, the rumors about him, White Tiger Mountain, and Golden Dragon Ridge had grown bizarre, and there were also some alliance matters that needed to be addressed by him as the old ancestor.

“Okay.”

Lu Miaoge replied softly.

Immediately, the two went to the main hall of White Tiger Mountain and called all their children.

“Quanzhen, you take responsibility for White Tiger Mountain, and I temporarily entrust Jiuyou to you.”

“Should there be any problems or situations, contact me immediately.”

“If forces from Golden Dragon Ridge or other powers, including Robber Cultivators, come to cause trouble, you must use a Talisman to escape immediately; do not engage them.”

Lu Changsheng looked at his son Lu Quanzhen and instructed.

He was very relieved to have his son, Lu Quanzhen, in charge of White Tiger Mountain.

As for the Jin Family of Golden Dragon Ridge, it was practically impossible for them to suddenly act against White Tiger Mountain.

Should such a situation arise, Lu Quanzhen could also escape immediately using a Talisman.

“Yes, father.”

Lu Quanzhen, clothed in a black brocade robe and with a clear and distinct face, bowed and replied.

“Just delegate the work to others; you should mainly focus on cultivation.”

“If the Zhao Family dares any malice, just kill them.”

Lu Changsheng patted his son’s shoulder and spoke softly.

Even though all members of the Zhao Family had taken the Heart Demon oath and signed a Spiritual Contract.

But whether it was a Heart Demon oath or a Spiritual Contract, the binding power was limited for those Cultivators who didn't care for the Great Dao and were not afraid of death.

After all, spending their life this way, they weren't afraid of death, the mere Spiritual Contract and oath, what restraint could they provide?

Although Lu Changsheng had means such as the Divine-forbidding Talisman.

These people were simply not worth spending such means on.

"Please rest assured, father, your son understands."

Lu Quanzhen, with a clear and distinct smile and a gentle arch of his brows, replied with a touch of humor in his eyes.

Beside him, Lu Yun listened to his father's words, recalling the conversations he had with Lu Quanzhen these days.

His father had come from being a mere son-in-law to the incredible position he held today in only tens of years, naturally not just superficially gentle and elegant.

Or rather, his gentleness was reserved for family and close ones, but he was not the same with outsiders.

"Yun'er, Caizhen, Qing Song... let's go."

Lu Changsheng called out to several of his children.

Immediately, they boarded the Spirit Boat and returned to Bihu Mountain.

"Safe travels to the Mountain Master!"

“Safe travels to the old ancestor!”

At the mountain gate, a Cultivator from the Lu Family and two from the Zhao Family immediately saluted Lu Changsheng respectfully.

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One day later.

Lu Changsheng and his party returned to Bihu Mountain.

With his return, the family was instantly filled with joy.

After all, this matter was a great celebration for Bihu Mountain.

Now that they had triumphantly returned, naturally, a grand celebration was due.

“Lord!”

“Father, Daddy!”

One by one, the concubines with their children came forward to congratulate Lu Changsheng.

Many of them didn’t understand much, nor the implications and consequences of Bihu Mountain taking over White Tiger Mountain.

All they knew was that their husband, their father was formidable, and the family had grown stronger.

“Very good, very good.”

Lu Changsheng faced such a scene with a smile, laughing heartily.

It had to be said, every time he saw his wives and children looking at him with admiration and warmth, congratulating him, his heart felt wonderfully at ease.

“The path of cultivation is lonely; what a solitary existence it would be?”

“Only with profound love can one comfort the world, constantly having people by your side, caring, supporting, and joining in pursuing the Great Dao, can I always have the persistence and motivation to diligently cultivate and seek eternal life!”

Lu Changsheng murmured to himself, feeling a sense of clarity in his thoughts.

In his early years, he knew the hardships of the world yet promised profound love to comfort people.

A path warmed by the sun, a cultivation journey shared together!

If the path of cultivation were accompanied only by loneliness, indeed the heights would be unbearably cold.

“My lord...”

Moments later, Ling Zixiao learned of Lu Changsheng’s return and came over holding her daughter.

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Bai Ling acted as a junior attendant, cradling Lu Lingxiao at her side.

Ever since Ling Zixiao gave birth to the twins, Bai Ling had taken on an additional job, helping Ling Zixiao care for the children.

“So many?”

Lu Changsheng was slightly startled upon hearing Ling Zixiao’s words.

He had spent these recent days on White Tiger Mountain, receiving congratulations from numerous family forces.

They hoped to establish friendly relations, forging connections that would last for a century.

But there had only been four families in total, bringing five concubines.

Yet Ling Zixiao indicated that, during this time, a total of ten families had come to pay their respects and offer congratulations, wishing to have their own descendants serve the Lu Ancestor.

“Not too many, there are also some small families, forces, as well as Loose Cultivators that admire the Lu Mountain Lord and want to recommend themselves, but they were tactfully rejected by me.”

Dressed in a lake blue palace dress, her figure full and shapely, her face dignified and beautiful, Ling Zixiao said with a smile that was not quite a smile, “My lord wouldn’t blame me, would he?”

“What are you saying, just let Zi Xiao and you handle it.”

Although the Lu Ancestor felt this was good news,

he naturally would not show too much happiness at this time.

Immediately after, the group began discussing this matter.

They ultimately decided that one month later, Lu Changsheng would directly hold a grand wedding ceremony, taking these daughters of the families as concubines.

This not only showed good will towards these families,

it would also serve as an opportunity to discuss cooperative matters with these families in further detail.

“My lord, the rumors in the outside world are growing more and more outrageous, even claiming that you and Miaoge, working together, are comparable to a False Core and that your Talisman Formation skills are strong enough to slay a False Core.”

“Although many know this news is likely a rumor spread by the Jin Family and other families, they still feel apprehension after hearing it,”

Ling Zixiao continued to say to Lu Changsheng.

“....”

Lu Changsheng fell silent for a moment.

Initially, when he heard this news, he wondered how the Jin Family knew his secret.

Could it be that the Jin Family also had the art of Divination and inference?

However, after some thinking, he realized that the Jin Family was deliberately setting him up.

Raising him high with this tactic to restrict the development of his own family.

After all, there was only so much cake to go around.

If one family force wanted to rise, they necessarily had to take the cake from others.

Bi Lake Mountain displaying such astonishing combat power at this time, it would not be possible to limit themselves just to Bi Lake Mountain and White Tiger Mountain alone.

They were bound to encroach on the power of other family forces.

Faced with this situation, other families all felt a sense of crisis.

This was also why so many family forces had come to Bi Lake Mountain to show their good will.

Because it was no longer just about the surrounding family forces.

Many family forces far from Bi Lake Mountain had also come to probe their attitudes, to understand the situation.

“We don’t need to care about these messages, we just have to keep a low profile for now in our family.”

“Regarding White Tiger Mountain, my plan is to hand it over to the Ning Family, Mo Family, and several smaller neighboring families... this way, even if White Tiger Mountain encounters any accident, we would not suffer much loss.”

“It also tells the world that my reason for taking down White Tiger Mountain was not for the expansion of family forces, but indeed due to the grievances between the two tribes...”

Lu Changsheng spoke, conveying his general thoughts.

His family’s biggest difference from other family forces was that they did not need to develop the family through too much aggression and territorial expansion.

As long as they maintained their base, with enough time, once the children grew up, the family would be made!

So for now, they could let go of the benefits of White Tiger Mountain; it also showed the world an image of being harmless.

But truth be told, if it hadn’t been for the incident with his daughter Lu Ruyi,

even if his family’s Spirit Land was indeed somewhat insufficient, Lu Changsheng would not have chosen to seize and occupy Spirit Lands.

After all, such a matter had become a noisy issue, which didn’t fit with his family’s development tone.

“Alright.”

Ling Zixiao and Lu Miaoyun nodded in agreement, and then Lu Changsheng gave his son Lu Yun a few instructions.

He had long instructed him about this matter, but some of the things discussed just now needed to be handled by his son, the Family Head.

Like the matter of the concubine wedding.

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At this time, Li Feiyu saw that Lu Changsheng’s conversation was nearly finished, and came over to inquire about the situation.

Upon learning that the matter was at a pause and there was nothing significant, he bid farewell and prepared to return to Azure Phoenix Immortal City.

He had originally come back just to have a look at his family and make a clean break, before dedicating his heart to pursuing the Great Dao.

It just so happened that the White Tiger Mountain incident occurred, and he had been stationed at Bi Lake Mountain just in case any dangerous situations arose.

Now that the matter was concluded, he naturally hurried back to take up his post.

Lu Changsheng was silent for a moment upon hearing this.

Then, with a smile on his face, he patted his sturdy shoulder and said, “Alright, Feiyu, take care on your journey, I wish you soar high and enjoy eternal vitality on the Immortal Path!”

Knowing his friend had a firm Dao Heart, he did not attempt to persuade him.

“Keep these Talismans with you, they might be of some help should you encounter any danger.”

Lu Changsheng took out ten Second-tier Top Grade Talismans and three Third Rank Talismans and handed them to Li Feiyu.

“This, Changsheng, this is too precious, I’ve already received many benefits from you on this return visit, I can’t take any more.”

Although Li Feiyu could not immediately see the exact Grade of the Talismans, he could tell they were of very high quality.

On this visit, he had acquired the Body Refining Techniques “Earth Fiend Holding Heaven Skill”.

He had also obtained three Spiritual Artifacts from White Tiger Mountain.

Feeling already deeply indebted to Lu Changsheng and unable to repay him, he was unwilling to accept more benefits.

“You will face dangers in Azure Phoenix Immortal City, better keep them. At worst, consider it a debt, and when you have the means, you can repay me.”

“Or someday, when my family expands its business to Azure Phoenix Immortal City, I might need you to take good care of me.”

Lu Changsheng spoke with a laugh.

He knew Li Feiyu was very proud at heart and did not like owing too much to others.

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Like before, although the other party only had one spiritual artifact, they still conjured up ten thousand spirit stones to give to him.

“Okay, but there’s no need for so many, one or two life-saving talismans will suffice. If there are too many, I’m afraid I’ll lack a sense of danger,”

Li Feiyu said with a wry smile.

He felt that his good brother was being too generous.

Eventually, Lu Changsheng gave Li Feiyu three second-tier top-level talismans and one third-rank talisman.

As for the substitute talisman, never mind.

On one hand, the substitute talisman was too precious, and he didn't have many.

Moreover, Li Feiyu had long been mingling in the Myriad Beasts Mountain Range, and this talisman was really not suitable for him.

After all, he might not be as lucky as before. A careless moment could possibly see him transferred into a demon king's lair.

The two chatted leisurely for a long time, then Li Feiyu left Bi Lake Mountain.

During this time, Lu Changsheng asked Li Feiyu to bid on special monster cores, third-rank spiritual wood, demon beast blood, and other rare spiritual materials for him if he encountered them in Azure Phoenix Immortal City.

Azure Phoenix Immortal City was close to the Myriad Beasts Mountain Range and was a sacred place for loose cultivators; occasionally, some rare heavenly and earthly treasures would appear on the market.

It was relatively easier and cheaper to collect some materials here.

After a busy day, Lu Changsheng returned to the summit of Blue Cloud Peak.

He placed the Myriad Spirits Bottle on the tall and handsome Mount Sumeru Tree, which was golden and jade all over.

He left it to Mount Sumeru to take care of the Myriad Spirits Bottle for him.

The Myriad Spirits Bottle had to absorb the essence of heaven and earth autonomously in the outside world, and condense the Myriad Spirits Heaven Dew. Carrying it with him would be somewhat inconvenient.

If left carelessly outside, it might be taken away by mischievous children any day.

Therefore, placing it atop Blue Cloud Peak under Mount Sumeru's watchful eye, he was very assured.

Deep night.

Changsheng Hall.

Afterward!

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"Zixiao, you've worked hard during these days."

On the exquisitely luxurious white jade bed, Lu Changsheng wrapped his arms around Ling Zixiao's plump and soft waist, his hand gently caressing her fair and gorgeous skin, and spoke warmly.

Ling Zixiao's elegantly pinned up hair during the day was now messily draped, her dignified beautiful face flushed as fire, her bright beautiful eyes slightly watery, carrying a hint of seductive allure, and she softly chuckled, "My lord, save those sweet words for little Ling'er."

While speaking, her slender hand lightly pinched the full chest of Bai Ling, who was beside her, her body curvaceous and seeming to be wrapped in a scale armor soft-clothing, her skin flushed with a rosy glow.

Not only did Lu Changsheng find Bai Ling's skin irresistible.

Especially after, her originally cold white-golden scales gradually emitted a dreamlike rosy shimmer. The feel was warm, smooth, silky, and resilient yet strong.

The touch was even more comfortable and delightful than Lu Miaoge's soft skin like water.

Even in front of Lu Miaoge, the two were somewhat reserved, not as carefree and relaxed as they were with the timid and weak Xiao Bai Ling.

"Sister Ling..."

Bai Ling's beautifully delicate face was flushed, her peach blossom-like eyes misty as if drunken, intoxicated, and dreamily enraptured.

But her such feeble and delicate appearance stoked Ling Zixiao's primal desires, yearning to ravage her.

Her heart couldn't help but sigh, her lover indeed had great fortune, to have picked up a girl like Bai Ling in a random small village he passed by.

The more she interacted, the clearer she realized the extraordinary demon race bloodline within Bai Ling.

Initially, she had seen Lu Changsheng and Nangong Mili.

She felt that Nangong Mili was indeed demonically beautiful and seductive, making even her, a woman, unable to resist being astonished and moved.

But unlike Bai Ling, who could stir her primal desires.

For a moment, she wondered, if that True Person Nangong and Bai Ling shared a bed, which of the two would be more enticing.

“Hehe, Little Ling’er surely worked hard as well.”

Lu Changsheng turned his head toward Bai Ling, as enchanting as a blooming peach tree, and pulled her smooth, soft body into his arms, gently saying, “If it weren’t for Little Ling’er holding fort at home, how could I be at ease?”

“Brother...”

Bai Ling’s voice trembled a bit as she spoke, filled with a stirring allure.

Although she knew that Lu Changsheng’s words were just to please her, and that she hadn’t been able to help with anything at home,

hearing these words still spawned a surge of happiness and contentment in her heart.

As Lu Changsheng and Bai Ling whispered sweet nothings, intertwining intimately for a moment, he then embraced Ling Zixiao and spoke out, “Zixiao, this trip outside was quite lucky for me, I’ve acquired a Spiritual Eye Spring...”

“Spiritual Eye Spring!?”

Ling Zixiao couldn’t help but exclaim.

After all, something like the Spiritual Eye Spring was exceedingly rare.

At first, when Lu Changsheng managed to bring out a Spiritual Eye Spring, it was already surprising.

Unexpectedly, he had found another Spiritual Eye Spring at the Wu Jing Mine Site.

“Indeed, however, this Spiritual Eye Spring isn’t as grand as the one at home. If used to create a spiritual vein, I estimate it’s only a First Grade top-level.”

“Moreover, through Hong Lian, I learned that the Dragon Seekers have a method to extract the Spirit Vein Origin, so...”

Lu Changsheng continued.

He looked at Ling Zixiao for any suggestions on how to distribute this Spiritual Eye Spring and its Origin.

“My lord, I think there’s no need to further cultivate the spiritual vein at Bi Yun Peak. It might be better to use this Spiritual Eye Spring to create a new spiritual vein in Cave Heaven.”

“Then, by utilizing the Spirit Vein Origin, elevate the Cave Heaven Spirit Vein to Second Order...”

After pondering for a moment, Ling Zixiao voiced her suggestion.

“Hehe, Zixiao, you think just like I do.”

Lu Changsheng kissed her slender, swan-like neck and chuckled softly.

He had also thought before, now Bi Yun Peak’s spiritual vein was a Second-order Superior, even if upgraded to a Second-order top-level by the Spiritual Eye Spring, reaching the Third Order would still be far off.

Plus, once the spiritual vein advanced to the Third Order, it would certainly lead to significant geographical changes and considerable commotion.

In case of a power struggle, the opponents could completely destroy Bi Lake Mountain’s earth pulse and spiritual vein through formations.

Given this, it might be better to fully upgrade Mount Sumeru Cave Heaven.

Mount Sumeru could evolve its internal world by growing,

But likewise, it could also nourish itself through its internal world, accelerating its growth.

Moreover, cultivating the spiritual vein within Mount Sumeru Cave Heaven need not worry about being exposed or sabotaged.

“However, my lord could also consider using the current spiritual spring in the cave heaven to create a spiritual vein, and cultivate another spiritual vein in Bi Lake Mountain from the other Spiritual Eye Spring...”

Ling Zixiao continued to speak, voicing another idea.

Now, with the development of Bi Lake Mountain, the number of loose cultivators and apprentices was increasing.

If this continues, the surrounding area of Lake Heart Island would gradually become insufficient.

Moreover, now that Bi Lake Mountain had soured relations with Golden Dragon Ridge, should the two forces clash, it would indeed be troublesome.

Though assured by the Mount Sumeru Tree King’s presence, under the public eye, it was still preferable not to involve Mount Sumeru.

Now with the conditions met, they could consider cultivating a branch spirit vein.

Not only would this elevate the family spirit land, but it could also further upgrade the family’s Great Formation.

By that time, even without the Mount Sumeru Illusion Sky Great Formation, Bi Lake Mountain could rely on the ordinary family Great Formation to suppress False Cores and repel Core Formation!

“Cultivating another spiritual vein...”

A trace of contemplation crossed Lu Changsheng’s mind.

He felt that continuing to develop Bi Lake Mountain as their base was indeed necessary.

Chapter 896: The Ancestor Has Taken Yet Another Concubine!

One month later.

Lu Changsheng's concubine acceptance ceremony began.

The ceremony was extremely lively.

Guests traveled from thousands of miles away to offer their congratulations.

"Sigh, seeing Lu Ancestor, I now understand the motivation for cultivation!"

"I heard that Lu Ancestor already has more than forty concubine rooms, and now he's taking on fifteen more at once!"

"Tsk tsk tsk, fifteen concubine rooms at once, Lu Ancestor truly is blessed with women..."

"Such a decadent lifestyle, yet his cultivation level progresses at an astonishing pace, I'm not convinced! Lu Changsheng must be practicing the Energy Drain Technique, I want to report him to the Qingyun Sect!"

"If Lu Ancestor were practicing the Energy Drain Technique, how could he have so many children and spend so many resources raising them?"

"That's right, this Lu Ancestor probably just genuinely loves women and wants to have children, as the rumors say, intending to create a family clan by himself!"

"I heard that among the fifteen, Lin Qingyu from the Lin Family not only has extraordinary talent but is also incredibly beautiful..."

"Wuwuwu, Yan'er, Yan'er, how can I live without you!"

Among the guests, many voiced their emotions, admiring, envying, and resenting Lu Changsheng's lifestyle.

In these fifteen concubine rooms, aside from a pair of twins from the Ning Family.

The others all came from different powerful family clans, from direct lineages, the pride of their families.

Now they had all married Lu Changsheng as concubines, naturally causing countless people to be green with envy.

Especially for those men whose family women, known for their looks and talent, had many admirers, secret lovers, and suitors.

Finding out that their goddesses, the women they loved, had married Lu Changsheng as concubines, they couldn't help but grieve sorrowfully.

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Biyun Villa.

This villa, used as a guest villa, was renovated and expanded in advance.

With carved beams and painted rafters, it was magnificent and spacious enough to accommodate nearly a thousand people.

Reception staff, guests, and maids continuously moved in and out.

After all, the main theme of this event was not the wedding and concubine acceptance.

The main affair was meetings with many families to discuss various matters and to manifest the stance of the Blue Lake Mountain.

'Ironwood Forest, Mo Family Patriarch arrives!'

“Green Lawn Estate, Lin Family Patriarch arrives!”

“Treasure Elixir Pavilion, He the Steward arrives!”

“...”

Outside the villa, resounding calls announced the arrival of guests who came to offer congratulations.

Gifts of heavenly and earthly treasures, envied by Energy Refining Cultivators, were presented.

“Dad, Green Lawn Mountain hosts two Foundation Establishment Great Cultivators, is it really necessary to marry Miaoyu to this Lu Ancestor as a concubine?”

In a corner of the villa, a young man in brocade robes whispered resentfully to his father.

“Shut up, keep your petty thoughts to yourself, if you dare speak like that again, I’ll break your legs!” the middle-aged man immediately scolded upon hearing his son’s words.

Knowing that his son harbored a secret love for one of the women about to become Lu Ancestor’s concubines.

He then turned to a beautiful woman beside him and kindly said, “Yu’er, if Lu Ancestor comes out later, Uncle will take you to toast him, you must perform well and seize the opportunity.”

“If Lu Ancestor takes a liking to you, it would be good for both you and the Lu Family.”

“After all, Lu Ancestor is not only handsome but also values relationships deeply, even if as a servant, if he favored you and you bore him a Qilin child, you could later be promoted to concubine...”

The middle-aged man instructed his niece earnestly.

Although Lu Ancestor was taking fifteen as concubines this time.

For the many family powers attending the wedding, it wasn't much.

Thus, many smaller family powers also wanted to send their daughters or younger family members to Lu Ancestor as concubines or servants.

At this moment, such conversations were happening in many places inside and outside Biyun Villa.

After all, the reputation of Blue Lake Mountain and White Tiger Mountain, after the incidents at Jin Zan, had significantly risen, spreading throughout the entire Qingyun Region!

Most of the family powers and cultivators in Qingyun Region had heard of the Blue Lake Mountain Lu Family and knew the big names of Lu Family Ancestor Lu Changsheng and Lady Lu Miaoge.

Before this, although Blue Lake Mountain Lu Family was somewhat famous, it was mostly just hearsay without deep understanding.

Many even knew of the Blue Lake Mountain Lu Family because of Lu Changsheng's fondness for marrying and taking concubines, known for a household full of children.

But as the news from Blue Lake Mountain, White Tiger Mountain, and Golden Dragon Ridge spread, all family powers gained a clear understanding of Lu Changsheng.

Though his talent was poor, his comprehension was exceptional!

He had great fortunes and was considered a carrier of great destiny!

A future overlord of Qingyun Region!

Coveting female beauty and loving the practice of taking concubines.

Being of common peasant origin, he held the deeply rooted notion of being blessed with many children and a full house.

Such a person's strengths and flaws were both very obvious.

Thus, everyone was willing to form good relations with Blue Lake Mountain and to ally through marriage!

However, many were shocked to hear of Lu Ancestor's life and deeds, learning that Lu Changsheng, in just a few decades, had achieved what other families took a century to, creating a cultivation family by himself.

They marveled at how Lu Ancestor was truly insane, one of a kind.

However, many cultivation families could understand this.

Because through rumors, they knew that Lu Ancestor had great encounters and opportunities, but his Spiritual Root Talent was poor, merely low quality.

Practically cutting off any possibility of achieving Core Formation.

In the future, at most depending on external elixirs, he could form a False Core.

Thus, he sought to extend his life, bloodline, and spiritual legacy through such means early.

Life and reproduction, passing down the torch continuously!

Unable to pursue the Great Dao for long life, he sought to extend his spirit through bloodline descendants and family heritage, aiming to leave a mark in history!

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This is a traditional concept in the Cultivation World.

Many Cultivation Families hold this type of idea.

Like the master-disciple relationship within Sects, there is also a bit of this ideology.

Apart from legacy, some even harbor thoughts.

If an unparalleled figure, a great power, were to appear among their descendants, it could resurrect their long-dead ancestors, or perhaps when they themselves reincarnate, take a round.

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Inside the main hall.

Lu Changsheng, clad in a blue Spiritual Robe, sat in the main seat.

On either side of him were Lu Miaoge and Ling Zixiao, the Main Mothers.

He was drinking and conversing jovially with several Cultivators in the hall.

To be seated here, one must either have a special identity or be a Foundation Establishment Ancestor.

Everyone who had come was also looking to gauge the attitude of Lu Ancestor.

“Beast Taming Xu Family, Xu Ruyin has arrived!”

At that moment, a voice announced from outside.

“Beast Taming Xu Family!?”

“Shh, the Beast Taming Xu Family has also sent someone?”

“Xu Ruyin, I heard that this woman is a descendant of the Yu Shui line of the Beast Taming Xu Family. She broke through to Foundation Establishment last year and upon returning to the main line, rose up like a comet!”

“I didn’t expect the other party to actually come to Bihu Mountain to present their congratulations.”

“It must be because of the Yu Shui Xu Family. This genius from the Xu Family had old ties with Bihu Mountain.”

Inside the main hall and throughout the villa, many people immediately started discussing.

“Beast Taming Xu Family...”

Lu Changsheng and Ling Zixiao also paused slightly when they heard this.

Although Yu Shui Xu Family is a branch of the Beast Taming Xu Family,

Most of the time outside, it still claims to be the Yu Shui Xu Family, not the Beast Taming Xu Family.

Now that Xu Ruyin is being introduced as from the Beast Taming Xu Family, it indicates that she is not representing the Yu Shui Xu Family, but the Beast Taming Xu Family itself.

The implication here was significantly different.

Immediately, a woman in a fiery red, gorgeous palace dress walked into the main hall.

Her beauty was breathtaking, her long hair the same fiery red as her dress, quite striking.

But what was most striking and attention-grabbing were her eyes, blazing like a red moon, intense as fire.

These eyes made her already delicate face appear even more radiant and beautiful, complementing her porcelain-white skin perfectly.

She seemed like a noble and immaculate phoenix, holy yet majestic, cold yet proud.

“Beast Taming Xu Family, Xu Ruyin offers congratulations to Lu Mountain Lord on this auspicious occasion...”

Xu Ruyin bowed to Lu Changsheng.

But as her head dropped slightly, her beautiful eyes trembled, stirring an indescribable emotion within her.

“Daoist Xu is too polite, please take a seat,” Lu Changsheng said warmly to the Xu Ruyin standing before him.

He thought to himself that after going away for a while, she had developed a refined and imposing air.

This contrasted heavily with her usually shy, obedient demeanor.

Lu Miaoge and Ling Zixiao looked at the Xu Ruyin before them, one with a slightly odd expression, the other with a playful glint in her eyes.

After all, they both knew that this Xu Family genius had spent eight years as a servant in Mount Sumeru Cave Heaven.

“Daoist Xu, it’s nice to see you.”

“Daoist Xu, I am...”

Many families in the hall promptly greeted Xu Ruyin politely.

People like Lu Yuanzhong and Bai Yunyang, several Foundation Establishment Cultivators who had met Xu Ruyin in their early years.

Seeing a former Energy Refining Cultivator who had now broken through to Foundation Establishment, and her impressive demeanor now, they were all quite moved.

Understanding that a genius like Xu Ruyin, once they breakthrough Foundation Establishment and return to the main line, would soar to incredible heights, beyond what ordinary Cultivators like them could compare.

While catching up and chatting, suddenly everyone in the hall sensed a formidable aura and looked towards the outside of Bihu Mountain.

“Elder Jin of Golden Dragon Ridge has arrived!”

At the same time, a booming voice sounded.

“Elder Jin of Golden Dragon Ridge, could it be that False Core Patriarch of Golden Dragon Ridge!”

“This aura, there’s no mistake, it must be the False Core Patriarch.”

“Shh, I didn’t expect the Ancestor of Jin Family to actually come in person!”

“Didn’t Bi Lake Mountain and Golden Dragon Ridge have enmity before? Why has the Ancestor of Jin Family come here now? What is his purpose?”

“Could it be he’s taking this opportunity to start trouble?”

At this moment, all the Foundation Establishment Cultivators in the great hall stood up, their hearts pounding as they looked outside.

After all, who among those present didn’t know about the affairs between Bi Lake Mountain and Golden Dragon Ridge?

Although the two families hadn’t had a direct major conflict.

But now that Lu Changsheng, the Master of Bi Lake Mountain, was holding a concubine acceptance ceremony, it was profoundly meaningful for the False Core Patriarch of Golden Dragon Ridge to attend.

“Ancestor of Jin Family!?”

On hearing this, Lu Changsheng’s eyes narrowed slightly, unsure of why the Ancestor of Jin Family had come.

He chuckled softly and bowed to the people in the great hall, “Ladies and gentlemen, please excuse me for a moment.”

With that said, he transformed into a streak of escape light and headed outside Bi Lake Mountain.

Arriving at the gate, Lu Changsheng immediately saw a tall elderly man in a golden robe with an ordinary looking face standing outside.

Merely through the invisible but formidable aura, he knew this man was the False Core Patriarch of Golden Dragon Ridge!

Beside him stood a middle-aged man about forty years old with a stern face, thick beard and hair, wearing a golden dragon-patterned magical robe.

It was Jin Zan, the Great Elder of White Tiger Mountain, who had clashed against him the other day!

Upon seeing Lu Changsheng, Jin Zan’s eyes immediately revealed a hint of anger, his robe sleeve tightly fisted.

However, he remained silent, merely standing beside his own family patriarch.

“Jin Cheng of Golden Dragon Ridge sends his congratulations on the great joy of Lu Mountain Lord and has specially come to ask for a wedding drink.”

The Ancestor of Jin Family, his face beaming red, spoke loudly as he bowed.

“Greetings to Elder Jin. It truly brings glory to have a true man like yourself attend my wedding, please join us.”

Lu Changsheng’s expression remained unchanged as he bowed with a smile.

He didn’t know why the other party had come.

But with Mount Sumeru’s protection, he was not afraid at all, unconcerned about any tricks they might play.

After all, if he wanted, now the Mount Sumeru Illusion Sky Great Formation could be activated, which was powerful enough to slay all the Foundation Establishment Cultivators of Bi Lake Mountain, including this False Core Patriarch.

“Tsk tsk tsk, all these great ancestors surely have great value, if I captured all in one net, I’d likely become fabulously wealthy.”

Lu Changsheng thought to himself with a chuckle.

But that was just a thought.

Doing so would likely cause a tremendous upheaval across the entire Qingyun Domain and even the Jiang Country Cultivation World.

The three of them transformed into escape lights and flew towards Biyun Villa.

The Lu family disciples stationed nearby for reception heaved a sigh of relief.

Although the Ancestor of Jin Family had not exerted any pressure on them.

Merely standing in front of them felt like a huge mountain, exerting great pressure.

Not only them, but also the Energy Refining Cultivators and Foundation Establishment Cultivators outside Biyun Villa all stood up and bowed respectfully when they saw the Ancestor of Jin Family.

After all, this was a False Core Patriarch!

Not to mention under Qingyun's rule;

even within the Jiang Country Cultivation Realm, a False Core Immortal was considered a significant figure!

At this very moment, everyone was wondering the purpose of the Ancestor of Jin Family's visit to Bi Lake Mountain.

Especially some who knew Jin Zan, seeing this Elder of Jin Family who had past conflicts with Bi Lake Mountain also attending.

"Elder Jin, Elder Jin, please take a seat. This carp soup is a special product of Bi Lake Mountain, and these carps are specially bred King Carps from my Lu Family, known for their delicious taste..."

Lu Changsheng said politely with a smile on his face.

As if the earlier confrontation with Jin Zan had never occurred.

"The old man came in a hurry this time, this gift..."

The Ancestor of Jin Family fumbled inside his golden robe with a frown.

"Hehe, Elder Jin honours us with his presence at my wedding, which already brings us great honor..."

Seeing this, Lu Changsheng remained entirely unconcerned.

However, before Lu Changsheng could finish, the Ancestor of Jin Family pulled out an exquisite brocade box from his sleeve and laughed loudly, “Hahaha, why not give this item to Lu Mountain Master as a wedding gift.”

“You don’t think you’re being funny, do you?”

Lu Changsheng silently muttered to himself.

He thought it was no wonder that some Nascent Soul Immortals and Nascent Soul True Lords in ancient texts were called quirky old creatures.

Because the longer they lived, the quirlier their personalities became.

His expression unmoved, he took the brocade box, stored it in his storage ring, and chuckled, “Thank you so much, Elder Jin. You are too kind.”

“Master Lu, wouldn’t you want to open it and see what gift the old man has brought?”

After sitting down, the Ancestor of Jin Family picked up a piece of fish and started eating, speaking out.

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However, cultivators like Ling Zixiao, who knew the inside story, roughly guessed the Jin Family’s purpose.

They wanted to both promote and kill, to completely eliminate Lu Changsheng and Bi Lake Mountain, to lift it high and solidify the rumors from the outside world!

Even if they couldn’t solidify the rumors, considering today’s events, the external interest in Bi Lake Mountain would likely rise another level.

“Lu Mountain Lord, regarding the previous matter at White Tiger Mountain, I, Jin Zan, was wrong. Greed took over me because of the benefits given by the Zhao Family, and I ask for your forgiveness,” Jin Zan said, suppressing the rage in his heart as he bowed to Lu Changsheng.

If it weren't for the Family Patriarch's emergence from seclusion and the severe reprimand he had received.

With his proud nature, he would never have lowered his face to apologize.

But he understood that the Patriarch was doing this for his own good.

His smooth journey thus far had led to arrogance.

The defeat at the hands of Lu Changsheng was a hurdle he couldn't get over, affecting his Core Formation!

If that was the case, he could only face his inner self, break and then stand, in order for him to break through his mental state and reach Core Formation!

And through this method, he wanted to reclaim his Life-Bound Spiritual Artifact from Lu Changsheng's hands.

Otherwise, without this Life-Bound Spiritual Artifact, his chances of breaking through to Core Formation in the future would be affected.

Lu Changsheng watched the scene, staying silent.

He roughly knew what the Jin Family's purpose was.

The rumors about him in the outside world likely originated from the Jin Family.

Now, by presenting him with this Core Formation Spiritual Object, they probably wanted to further uplift his status and solidify the rumors.

And inform the outside world that he, Lu Changsheng, possessed a Core Formation Spiritual Object, making him the target of other Loose Cultivators and Family Forces!

Then there was Jin Zan's apology.

As long as he accepted it and took away the opponent's Life-bound Spiritual Artifact, he would naturally have to return it.

In such a situation, with such a stance, if he, Mr. Lu, did not reconcile and return the Spiritual Artifact, it would make him appear petty and vindictive, not giving face to the Jin Family.

Not even giving face to the False Core Patriarch, what would other families think if they knew?

Other False Core Families might think Lu Changsheng to be arrogant and presumptuous!

A stratagem in the open!

This was a blatant stratagem!

Such bold moves in this stratagem were indeed extraordinary.

Actually spending a Core Formation Spiritual Object, just to make Jin Zan apologize in person.

Unless... they thought he wouldn't dare accept the Core Formation Spiritual Object and were showing weakness?

But faced with such an arrangement, even if he didn't accept it, the opponent's genuine appearance of apology meant he had to return the Life-bound Spiritual Artifact.

"Indeed, the old ginger is spicier. The Ancestor of Jin Family is using this method to further push our Bi Lake Mountain into the limelight and by doing so, draw attention to Golden Dragon Ridge," Lu Changsheng muttered to himself.

If his family had been an ordinary Foundation Establishment Family, they might indeed be worried in such a situation.

But when he made his move on Jin Zan, he had already considered the consequences!

What if his tree attracted the wind?

If anyone dared to look for trouble, he would, like he did when facing Jin Zan, make an example of them—kill the chicken to warn the monkeys, and solidify his reputation for defeating a False Core with Talisman Formations!

After all, sometimes a reputation isn't entirely a bad thing.

With such a reputation, it would be enough to deter the other families and prevent them from harboring bad intentions.

His early reputation worried him that it might attract the covetousness of others.

But now, with his current reputation, how many would dare to covet it?

Enough to deter most of the petty thieves, and allow the Family to develop securely!

Moreover, his family was strong but not overbearing, and by developing securely, they could also show the dignity and style of the family, laying the foundation for future reputation and goodwill!

“Heh heh, the Ancestor of Jin Family is being too courteous. It was all a misunderstanding; once explained, it's all clear.”

“Originally, I, Lu Someone, was going to visit you after taking care of the affairs to clear things up. I didn't expect that the Ancestor of Jin Family would take the initiative to come here. You truly are a man of openness and magnanimity,” Lu Changsheng said politely.

In his words, he naturally placed the ‘Profound Water Cold Crystal’ into his Storage Ring.

Then he took out a golden weapon—part spear, part dao—and spoke: “Daoist Jin left in a hurry that day, forgetting to take this Artifact. Today, it shall be returned to its original owner!”

Since the opponent had done so, he, Lu Changsheng, would openly tell others that he not only defeated Jin Zan, the Great Elder of the Jin Family, but also took his Life-bound Spiritual Artifact!

“Shh, that seems to be the Life-bound Spiritual Artifact of the Great Elder of the Jin Family, the Golden Dragon Square Halberd!”

“Never thought that even the Life-bound Spiritual Artifact would be taken by Lu Mountain Lord!”

“No wonder the Ancestor of Jin Family brought Jin Zan to apologize. The Life-bound Spiritual Artifact is connected to one’s life. Once lost, it takes who knows how many years to nurture anew, which could delay his attempt at Core Formation!”

“However, Lu Mountain Lord is truly magnanimous. Although the Jin Family is polite, they are duplicitous, yet he simply and openly took out this Life-bound Spiritual Artifact.”

“The rumors say that Lu Changsheng is a man of loyalty and righteousness, and now it seems that he indeed acts with integrity. He does not provoke others, and as long as you don’t offend Bi Lake Mountain, we should be able to coexist in peace.”

Everyone in the hall watched this unfold, each silently calculating.

But a few people also had their minds on the Core Formation Spiritual Object that Lu Changsheng had just put into his Storage Bag.

“This Lu Changsheng is really not simple. Does he really have the confidence, or...”

The Ancestor of Jin Family saw Lu Changsheng calmly accept his Core Formation Spiritual Object and then took out the Golden Dragon Square Halberd, his heart skipping a beat, somewhat unexpected.

After all, Lu Changsheng’s initiative to take out the Spiritual Artifact indicated he saw through the intentions.

But in such a situation, he still dared to accept the Core Formation Spiritual Object.

He didn't ponder long, turning to Jin Zan with a cold huff, "Jin Zan, have you not thanked Lu Mountain Lord enough?"

"Thank you, Lu Mountain Lord."

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Jin Zan spoke up, but his voice was devoid of any sincerity, instantly making Lu Changsheng's actions look superior.

Most people in the room could guess why Jin Zan behaved this way.

It was because they knew without thinking that this Core Formation Spiritual Object was most likely prepared by the Jin Family for Jin Zan.

At this moment, it would be a ghostly occurrence for him to be in a good mood.

"Hehe, Daoist Jin, you are too kind."

Lu Changsheng smiled and did not take the other party's attitude to heart.

After all, he was just a mere jumping clown.

He looked around at everyone present and announced with a laugh, "Come now, let's continue, drink up."

In the hall, the guests clinked cups and toasts were made in lively succession.

During the break, Lu Changsheng, the groom, walked out of the great hall with a cup in hand to toast and greet the guests from inside and outside the villa.

In this process, one by one, the coy and charming women looked at Lu Ancestor with silk-like seductive eyes, almost dripping water.

Faced with this, Lu Changsheng silently shook his head.

He thought to himself that sometimes too much charm can be a problem.

He made no particular response.

After all, though Mr. Lu took concubines with a purpose, he still spent considerable time accompanying and taking responsibility for them.

Now, having to manage fifteen concubines was already taking up much of his time and energy.

Moreover, he didn't even know the family backgrounds or Spiritual Root Talents of these many women in the room.

As for beauty alone, to the Lu Ancestor, who had seen countless experiences and had been through all sorts of trials, it was hard to catch his eye.

Now, only if status, temperament, and abilities complemented beauty, could they slightly move Lu Ancestor's heart.

After the toasts were over, as night fell, Lu Changsheng naturally started his duties as the groom.

However, having too many concubines at once could lead to an exhausted Lu Changsheng, who might find himself overwhelmed.

Faced with this situation, Lu Changsheng could only encourage the concubines to get to know each other better and develop connections, to save himself from too much trouble.

The next day, the wedding feast continued.

But on this day, Lu Changsheng did not continue to accompany the drinking.

Instead, he met privately with the family patriarchs and heads, along with his wife Lu Miaoge, Lu Miaoyun, Ling Zixiao, and his son Lu Yun.

It was just a casual chat to convey his family's stance and extend goodwill.

No matter what the others thought, Lu Ancestor always insisted on the external policy of "avoiding conflict, building connections, and prospering through harmony," and internally, "taking good care of the children and producing more offspring"!

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Mount Sumeru Cave Heaven.

Changsheng Hall.

"Hisss... You're saying the Beast Taming Xu Family has set their sights on me, so you came over to look into the situation and test the waters?"

Lu Changsheng was currently chatting leisurely with a representative of the Beast Taming Xu Family, his palm gently stroking the other's fiery red, smooth hair, his eyes narrowed slightly.

He knew that being prominent could attract the attention of other families.

But he hadn't expected that the Beast Taming Xu Family would take note of him.

Compared to them, Golden Dragon Ridge seemed insignificant.

"Mhm, I suspect this matter is related to the Jin Family. The Jin Family deliberately spread news of you to the ears of the three ancestors..."

Xu Ruyin let her fiery red hair drape down, covering her stunningly beautiful face, and spoke with a slightly indistinct voice.

“The Jin Family, three ancestors?”

Lu Changsheng twirled a strand of hair around his finger, his eyebrows lifting slightly.

He was aware of the Beast Taming Xu Family but was not very familiar with its internal affairs.

All he knew was that in addition to a Core Formation Old Ancestor, the Xu Family apparently also had three False Core Immortals in the open.

“Mhm...”

Xu Ruyin moved her head subtly, her voice indistinct, explaining to Lu Changsheng in detail.

The third ancestor of the Xu Family, the False Core Patriarch, was named Xu Ge.

Rumors said he had the potential for Core Formation in his early years, but was injured by a true disciple of the Spirit Taming Sect, damaging his Dao Foundation and leading to a long period of decline.

Later, by chance, he obtained a Demon Core and formed a False Core.

However, after breaking through to False Core, his personality gradually became peculiar, lacking the demeanor of a true immortal.

He had once bullied the weak and attacked a Foundation Establishment Disciple of the Spirit Taming Sect, crippling their Dantian, which provoked the Sect to confront the Xu Family, with the Core Formation Old Ancestor coming forward to resolve the issue.

Afterward, although the Family Patriarch restricted Xu Ge, he still enjoyed bullying the weaker parties.

After assuming the role of Inspector Elder of the Xu Family, whenever he saw any rising family forces or prodigies, he liked to snuff them out.

For a major sect like the Spirit Taming Sect, facing this kind of issue, their elders would go to the Xu Family to confront Xu Ge, who naturally did not dare to retaliate.

But the smaller family forces had nowhere to turn in the face of such behavior.

And the Family Patriarch turned a blind eye to such situations.

Therefore, Xu Ruyin indicated that her visit was because Xu Ge had taken notice of Lu Changsheng and might target him in the future.

“Hisss...”

Lu Changsheng drew in a cool breath and squeezed a sharp and full snow fruit hard with his palm.

He thought to himself that the Jin Family had actually been waiting for him here.

He had thought that the Jin Family’s overenthusiastic support was simply to use his family as bait to attract firepower and attention.

Little did he expect that the Jin Family wanted to use someone else’s knife to kill him!

Through their excessive support, they made the Beast Taming Xu Family take notice of him and act against him.

“This Ancestor of the Jin Family really is an old coin.”

At this moment, Lu Changsheng’s eyes squinted in anger, his body trembling slightly.

A moment later, Xu Ruyin’s delicate neck gently lifted, her cheeks flushed, and her alluring eyes gazed at Lu Changsheng with a drunk, dazed look.

After a ‘gurgle’ in her slender swan neck, she cooed softly, “Master...”

“Ruyin, let me see what progress you’ve made in the Beast Taming Xu Family this year.”

Lu Changsheng gently stroked her fiery red, silky hair and then rewarded her with a slap on Xu Ruyin’s rounded buttocks, engaging in an in-depth exchange with her and asking about the affairs of the Beast Taming Xu Family.

At first, Xu Ruyin was able to answer intermittently and vaguely.

But as time went on, her cries became tearful and choked, calling out ‘Master, Husband’.

However, even in such an exchange, Lu Changsheng still gained a lot of insight into the Beast Taming Xu Family.

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Most people in the room could guess why Jin Zan behaved this way.

It was because they knew without thinking that this Core Formation Spiritual Object was most likely prepared by the Jin Family for Jin Zan.

At this moment, it would be a ghostly occurrence for him to be in a good mood.

“Hehe, Daoist Jin, you are too kind.”

Lu Changsheng smiled and did not take the other party's attitude to heart.

After all, he was just a mere jumping clown.

He looked around at everyone present and announced with a laugh, "Come now, let's continue, drink up."

In the hall, the guests clinked cups and toasts were made in lively succession.

During the break, Lu Changsheng, the groom, walked out of the great hall with a cup in hand to toast and greet the guests from inside and outside the villa.

In this process, one by one, the coy and charming women looked at Lu Ancestor with silk-like seductive eyes, almost dripping water.

Faced with this, Lu Changsheng silently shook his head.

He thought to himself that sometimes too much charm can be a problem.

He made no particular response.

After all, though Mr. Lu took concubines with a purpose, he still spent considerable time accompanying and taking responsibility for them.

Now, having to manage fifteen concubines was already taking up much of his time and energy.

Moreover, he didn't even know the family backgrounds or Spiritual Root Talents of these many women in the room.

As for beauty alone, to the Lu Ancestor, who had seen countless experiences and had been through all sorts of trials, it was hard to catch his eye.

Now, only if status, temperament, and abilities complemented beauty, could they slightly move Lu Ancestor's heart.

After the toasts were over, as night fell, Lu Changsheng naturally started his duties as the groom.

However, having too many concubines at once could lead to an exhausted Lu Changsheng, who might find himself overwhelmed.

Faced with this situation, Lu Changsheng could only encourage the concubines to get to know each other better and develop connections, to save himself from too much trouble.

The next day, the wedding feast continued.

But on this day, Lu Changsheng did not continue to accompany the drinking.

Instead, he met privately with the family patriarchs and heads, along with his wife Lu Miaoge, Lu Miaoyun, Ling Zixiao, and his son Lu Yun.

It was just a casual chat to convey his family's stance and extend goodwill.

No matter what the others thought, Lu Ancestor always insisted on the external policy of “avoiding conflict, building connections, and prospering through harmony,” and internally, “taking good care of the children and producing more offspring”!

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Mount Sumeru Cave Heaven.

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“Hisss... You’re saying the Beast Taming Xu Family has set their sights on me, so you came over to look into the situation and test the waters?”

Lu Changsheng was currently chatting leisurely with a representative of the Beast Taming Xu Family, his palm gently stroking the other's fiery red, smooth hair, his eyes narrowed slightly.

He knew that being prominent could attract the attention of other families.

But he hadn't expected that the Beast Taming Xu Family would take note of him.

Compared to them, Golden Dragon Ridge seemed insignificant.

“Mhm, I suspect this matter is related to the Jin Family. The Jin Family deliberately spread news of you to the ears of the three ancestors...”

Xu Ruyin let her fiery red hair drape down, covering her stunningly beautiful face, and spoke with a slightly indistinct voice.

“The Jin Family, three ancestors?”

Lu Changsheng twirled a strand of hair around his finger, his eyebrows lifting slightly.

He was aware of the Beast Taming Xu Family but was not very familiar with its internal affairs.

All he knew was that in addition to a Core Formation Old Ancestor, the Xu Family apparently also had three False Core Immortals in the open.

“Mhm...”

Xu Ruyin moved her head subtly, her voice indistinct, explaining to Lu Changsheng in detail.

The third ancestor of the Xu Family, the False Core Patriarch, was named Xu Ge.

Rumors said he had the potential for Core Formation in his early years, but was injured by a true disciple of the Spirit Taming Sect, damaging his Dao Foundation and leading to a long period of decline.

Later, by chance, he obtained a Demon Core and formed a False Core.

However, after breaking through to False Core, his personality gradually became peculiar, lacking the demeanor of a true immortal.

He had once bullied the weak and attacked a Foundation Establishment Disciple of the Spirit Taming Sect, crippling their Dantian, which provoked the Sect to confront the Xu Family, with the Core Formation Old Ancestor coming forward to resolve the issue.

Afterward, although the Family Patriarch restricted Xu Ge, he still enjoyed bullying the weaker parties.

After assuming the role of Inspector Elder of the Xu Family, whenever he saw any rising family forces or prodigies, he liked to snuff them out.

For a major sect like the Spirit Taming Sect, facing this kind of issue, their elders would go to the Xu Family to confront Xu Ge, who naturally did not dare to retaliate.

But the smaller family forces had nowhere to turn in the face of such behavior.

And the Family Patriarch turned a blind eye to such situations.

Therefore, Xu Ruyin indicated that her visit was because Xu Ge had taken notice of Lu Changsheng and might target him in the future.

“Hiss...”

Lu Changsheng drew in a cool breath and squeezed a sharp and full snow fruit hard with his palm.

He thought to himself that the Jin Family had actually been waiting for him here.

He had thought that the Jin Family’s overenthusiastic support was simply to use his family as bait to attract firepower and attention.

Little did he expect that the Jin Family wanted to use someone else’s knife to kill him!

Through their excessive support, they made the Beast Taming Xu Family take notice of him and act against him.

“This Ancestor of the Jin Family really is an old coin.”

At this moment, Lu Changsheng’s eyes squinted in anger, his body trembling slightly.

A moment later, Xu Ruyin’s delicate neck gently lifted, her cheeks flushed, and her alluring eyes gazed at Lu Changsheng with a drunk, dazed look.

After a ‘gurgle’ in her slender swan neck, she cooed softly, “Master...”

“Ruyin, let me see what progress you’ve made in the Beast Taming Xu Family this year.”

Lu Changsheng gently stroked her fiery red, silky hair and then rewarded her with a slap on Xu Ruyin’s rounded buttocks, engaging in an in-depth exchange with her and asking about the affairs of the Beast Taming Xu Family.

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