

Martial 1311

Chapter 1311, Special Request

Listening to his explanation, Yang Kai's eyes flashed and he let out a slight chuckle, "Brother Chen asking me to accompany him was out of goodwill, so how could I blame you? Truth be told, I'm also quite interested in this place now."

"Brother Yang, you..." Chen Fan Lei looked at him in amazement.

Yang Kai grinned, "Brother Chen misunderstands. I am simply interested in this special Dual Cultivation Technique which can help break through bottlenecks. If it turns out to be real, then this Dual Cultivation Technique must be quite amazing. You should know that one of the biggest problem's we cultivators face is overcoming bottlenecks. Often, a single bottleneck can halt our progress for a lifetime. If this Dual Cultivation Technique is that good, it should be enough to become the core foundation of a great Sect. There would be no need to open this Joyous Union Pavilion in the first place."

"What Brother Yang means is..." Although Chen Fan Lei was not one for plots of schemes, it didn't mean he was stupid, so he was able to pick up some clues from what Yang Kai had just said.

"Does this Dual Cultivation Technique used to break through bottlenecks have some kind of hidden danger to it?" Yang Kai looked became serious.

"I don't know about this, I only heard about this place briefly from Senior Brother Wang and he didn't mention any risks," Chen Fan Lei could not help frowning. With Yang Kai's reminder, he suddenly became vigilant and, after thinking about it for a moment, Chen Fan Lei felt these concerns were reasonable. Wasn't a Dual Cultivation Technique specifically used to break through bottlenecks a bit too convenient?

"I don't know if Brother Chen has come into contact with any Dual Cultivation Techniques before, but most of them are actually extremely cruel, gathering Yin to supplement Yang, or gathering Yang to supplement Yin, resulting in one partner benefitting at the other's expense. Since this Joyous Union Pavilion continues to exist to this day, obviously these women do not cultivate a gathering Yang to supplement Yin Secret Art, but instead sacrifice their Primordial Yin or foundation to help guests who come here improve their cultivation and break through bottlenecks," Yang Kai pondered out loud as he began mentioning the characteristics of Dual Cultivation Techniques. In fact, he did not need to say such words as Chen Fan Lei should have heard them before; after all, he wasn't an inexperienced youth unfamiliar with how the cultivation world worked. Even if he had never seen or read a Dual Cultivation Technique before, he should have at least heard some rumours about them.

Yang Kai had cultivated a very profound Dual Cultivation Technique, so he had the qualification to speak about them.

"If this is the case, there really might be some hidden dangers! After all, if I don't have a special Secret Art to refine the Primordial Yin or Yuan Qi from others, even if my cultivation increases somewhat and I am able to break through my bottleneck, it will cause my foundation to become unsteady," Chen Fan Lei

said thoughtfully, quickly muttering, "But since it's like this, why would Senior Brother Wang specifically mention such a place to me? If it were not for him suddenly needing to go out, I even thought he would be the one to bring me here."

"Perhaps Brother Wang had just mentioned it unintentionally and you misunderstood his intent?" Yang Kai said casually.

"I see!" Chen Fan Lei gently nodded, "That might be the case. En, since there are such hidden dangers with this method, I cannot go through with it anymore. I'd rather spend more time in meditation than ruin my foundation by trying to Dual Cultivate with some woman I don't know."

After realizing this, Chen Fan Lei finally restored his usual cleverness and said while standing up, "Brother Yang, let's go now."

"Since we've already arrived, there's no need to rush off. If we were to suddenly leave like this, we might even offend this place's owners," Yang Kai laughed dumbly.

Chen Fan Lei scratched his head as a look of helplessness appeared on his face. If he had known things would turn out like this, he would not have dragged Yang Kai along with him to this place. Now even leaving had become somewhat troublesome.

"Could it be that we are really going to... have to..." Chen Fan Lei looked at Yang Kai with a mixture of uncertainty and anticipation.

Yang Kai laughed, "That depends on Brother Chen's intentions. Of course, we should avoid any dual cultivation, but if it's simply having some fun, it shouldn't matter too much."

"Brother Yang must be joking," Chen Fan Lei blushed brightly.

At this moment, Yang Kai expression suddenly changed as he turned his head to look at the door. A soft knocking soon echoed as the young woman who had led them here earlier softly called out, "Two Young Lords, this Mistress has kept you waiting."

Saying so, she pushed open the door and walked inside followed by two maidservants, one of whom held a scented wine jug while the other carried a platter of exquisite spirit fruits. After bowing gracefully, the two maids walked up and placed the refreshments onto a small table before bowing and retreating to stand behind the lead young woman.

The young woman then took a seat across from Yang Kai and Chen Fan Lei before asking, "I wonder if the two Young Lords are here to seek pleasure or if they have some special requests?"

"What is the difference between seeking pleasure and special requests?" Yang Kai raised his brow as he asked in a calm and experienced tone, making the young woman not dare to look down on him.

The young woman smiled as her lashes fluttered, exuding a kind of intoxicating charm. Turning her eyes to meet Chen Fan Lei's, she began explaining, "If two Young Lords simply wish to seek pleasure, there are many Young Ladies with excellent aptitudes and appearances you may freely choose from at our Joyous Union Pavilion. Regardless of cultivation or beauty, our girls are far superior to other places in Black Crow City. Of course, our prices are also not comparable to those places either."

Yang Kai smiled slightly, "Price is not an issue, as long as you can satisfy us, but I wonder, what is the highest cultivation of the girls in your establishment?"

The young woman smiled lightly, "It seems Young Lord's vision is quite high. If we are speaking of the girl with the highest cultivation, that would be Hong Yue, she is a Second-Order Saint King!"

"A Second-Order Saint King!" Yang Kai was genuinely stunned and when he looked at Chen Fan Lei, he saw that the other party was also wearing a shocked expression. The two of them had not expected that such a woman would actually exist here; after all, with such a cultivation, it would be easy for her to join some big Sect and obtain far better conditions than in this place.

The young woman continued, "But Lady Hong Yue only acts personally twice a year; after that, no matter the price, she won't see any guests. On top of that, whether she is willing to attend to a guest is completely up to her, so even if Young Lord offers an incredible price, it may be useless."

"This Lady Hong Yue seems to have quite an interesting temperament. En, never mind," Yang Kai waved his hand, "Such troubles are best avoided."

"Very well," The young woman seemed relieved upon hearing this and quickly asked, "May I ask if two Young Lords have some other special requests?"

"I heard that your noble establishment has a group of women who specifically cultivate a special Dual Cultivation Technique which is useful for breaking through bottlenecks. Is this true?" Yang Kai asked while looking straight at her.

The young woman gently nodded, "En, we do have such a group of women at Joyous Union Pavilion. Moreover, as long as they are Saint King Realm guests, eight out of ten come here because of this. It seems the same is true for two Young Lords."

"Yeah, in our recent cultivation, we have indeed encountered some bottlenecks that we are unable to break through, so we came here to inquire about your services."

"If that is the case, then it is easy to handle. If you do not mind, how about you allow this Mistress to make the appropriate arrangements. I guarantee two Young Lords will be satisfied," The young woman asked with a smile.

"Sounds good." Yang Kai gently nodded.

The young woman slowly stood up and walked out to make preparations, but just as she reached the door, she suddenly turned back and said, "Right, two Young Lords, this Mistress must forewarn you, although many guests who visit our establishment use this special Dual Cultivation session to successfully break through their bottlenecks, not everyone can succeed. If the two Young Lords happen to fail to achieve their wishes..."

"Naturally, we understand this, you may rest assured. If we cannot achieve our objectives, it will simply mean our fortune isn't good enough and we will not hold you responsible."

The young woman nodded with satisfaction and this time really left.

After she left, Chen Fan Lei looked at Yang Kai suspiciously, wondering why he had specifically asked about the women who cultivated the special Dual Cultivation Technique. However, Yang Kai did not

show any intention to explain himself, so Chen Fan Lei could only puzzle over it on his own. Steeling himself, Chen Fan Lei swore to treat this as a simple new experience; if he didn't actually engage in any dual cultivation, everything should be fine. Relaxing somewhat, he began helping himself to the spirit fruits on the table.

After a while, the young woman returned once again but this time there were more than a dozen beautiful young women accompanying her. The women all had truly outstanding appearances and astonishing figures, but what was most impressive was that all of them were First-Order Saints. This kind of cultivation was much higher than the women Yang Kai and Chen Fan Lei had seen outside earlier.

As these dozen or so women entered the private room, a floral fragrance filled the air, adding to the enchanting atmosphere.

Chen Fan Lei both eyes both glowed as he examined each of these beauties with great enthusiasm, while on the other hand, Yang Kai remained completely indifferent.

The young woman was carefully observing the two of them and although a trace of surprise flashed across her eyes upon seeing Yang Kai's lack of reaction, she did not say anything and instead just clapped her hands gently.

The group of women who came in left as swiftly as they had come and were replaced by a different group a moment later.

This second batch of women had slightly higher cultivations, each of them a genuine Second-Order Saint.

However, Yang Kai remained indifferent.

The lead young woman was even more surprised now, her brow furrowing slightly as she clapped her hands once more, sending out the second batch of women and replacing them with a third.

"Two Young Lords, are you not satisfied?" After waiting for a while, she saw that Yang Kai still did not show any interest and her pretty face couldn't help sinking slightly, her voice going cold. This group of women was the highest quality group Joyous Union Pavilion ordinarily had to offer, each of them a Third-Order Saint Realm cultivator. One of these two young men seemed quite interested right from the start, but the other showed next to no reaction, making the lead young woman wonder if he was deliberately trying to cause trouble.

Yang Kai just flashed a light smile though as he ignored the cold eyes staring at him and calmly asked, "Could it be that your noble establishment can only offer this level of service? If so, it would be too disappointing."

The young woman heard this and snorted, waving her hand to dismiss this third group of women as she clenched her teeth and shot back, "This Young Lord's vision is truly extraordinary. Joyous Union Pavilion indeed has higher quality girls, but there are very few of them and each one of them is extremely expensive, I wonder if the two Young Lords will be able to afford them."

Chapter 1312, Meeting An Old Acquaintance In A Foreign Land

“As I said, price is no issue, as long as you can satisfy us,” Yang Kai smiled slightly as he tossed a Space Ring over to the young woman.

The young woman caught this ring and promptly swept its contents with her Divine Sense. After seeing the number of Saint Crystals inside, her beautiful face changed slightly and in the next moment, she smiled brightly, all of her previous annoyance thrown beyond the highest Heavens as she said charmingly, “This Young Lord is a man of great spirit! Since that is the case, this Mistress won’t dare disappoint.”

Saying so, she flipped her delicate little hand, causing the Space Ring to disappear. Judging from her expression, she was obviously very satisfied with the price Yang Kai offered and with a flick of her wrist, she sent out a ray of silver light towards him.

Yang Kai frowned, but did not take any precautions, simply putting his hand out and catching this silver streak. Upon closer investigation, he found that what he caught was a set of extremely thin silver mirrors.

On each of these mirrors’ surfaces a beautiful woman. These women showed various expressions and poses, some of them aloof while others smiling, some of them stood while others sat. These images were incredibly lifelike, as if real people had been sealed inside these mirrors, eliciting great excitement from any man who saw them.

However, Yang Kai soon discovered that the figures on these thin silver mirrors only made a few simple actions before repeating the sequence from the start.

“These girls are the signature specials of our Joyous Union Pavilion. Each one of them still retains their purity and possesses a First-Order Saint King Realm cultivation. If not for Young Lord bringing out so many Saint Crystals at once, this Mistress would not have been able to take responsibility for introducing them. I believe they should satisfy the requirements of two Young Lords, but if not, then this Mistress can only express her deepest regrets.”

“First-Order Saint Kings!” Yang Kai gently nodded but his expression remained faint, not betraying any of his thoughts as he checked through the silver mirrors one by one

The number silver mirrors were indeed not high, only eight in total, but each of these mirrors seemed to be quite a special artifact. Each one was capable of recording several lifelike pictures that perfectly showed off the graceful style and features of these women.

If Yang Kai had simply been seeking pleasure here, each of these beauties would have met his requirements, but he knew that Chen Fan Lei had come here because of Wang Yu Han ‘unintentionally’ mentioning it, so Yang Kai knew there was something afoot.

By now, how could Yang Kai not have understood that Wang Yu Han had malicious intentions towards him? It was just that the schemer’s method this time was clever, allowing him to achieve his objective without acting overtly.

Yang Kai was currently stalling for time, deliberately making things difficult because he wanted to see what Wang Yu Han was up to.

He did not really want to have fun here, so after quickly checking through each of these silver mirrors, he would shake his hand and toss them over to Chen Fan Lei who was currently staring dumbly at him.

After browsing through four of these mirrors, Yang Kai still wore a look of indifference, causing the young woman to feel a little uneasy, but remembering how the other party had paid so much Saint Crystals in advance, she didn't lose her temper like before and simply decided to quietly wait.

When Yang Kai reached the fifth silver mirror, he planned on just taking a casually glance like before, but in the next instant, his complexion changed greatly as a sharp light flashed across his eyes, even his aura suddenly became unstable as he stared at the beautiful figure presented on the silver mirror in his hand.

The young woman who had been closely observing Yang Kai's expressions naturally did not miss this change and giggled lightly, "Has Young Lord found a beauty that suits his fancy?"

Yang Kai lifted his gaze as a complex light flashed across his eyes, something that surprised the young woman somewhat, but a moment later, that slight awkwardness disappeared and Yang Kai smiled widely, "En, I have indeed. This woman suits my requirements so perfectly I was taken aback for a moment, causing me to embarrass myself slightly."

Saying so, Yang Kai tossed the silver mirror he was looking at back.

The young woman caught this mirror and looked at the figure displayed on it, murmuring lightly, "So it's her. En, Young Lord having a liking for her shows you have exquisite taste."

"Would it be possible to learn this girl's name?" Yang Kai seemed to ask casually.

The young woman giggled as she covered her mouth, "Please don't blame me, Young Lord, it is not that this Mistress doesn't want to tell you, it's just that Joyous Union Pavilion has a rule that forbids our girls true names from being disclosed. However, Young Lord You may call her Yue'er!"

"Yue'er!" Yang Kai's eyes flashed strangely once more before he gently nodded and asked, "Then may I know what attribute the Secret Art she cultivates is?"

This time the young woman frowned and hesitantly said, "Is there a reason Young Lord wishes to know this?"

"Please don't misunderstand, it's just that since I've come here to take advantage of your special Dual Cultivation Technique to break through my bottleneck, I naturally wish to know what the attribute of my partner's Secret Art is, otherwise, if there is some kind of conflict with mine, wouldn't it cause some complications for me?"

"En, Young Lord seems to be quite a cautious person, your concern is indeed reasonable," The young woman heard this and nodded, not giving any hint as to whether she believed him or not as she smiled and replied, "In that case, informing Young Lord is not an issue. Yue'er's original Secret Art was of the Ice Attribute, but there is no need to worry about conflicts occurring with Young Lord when you engage in dual cultivation because our establishment's Dual Cultivation Technique does not draw on any kind of attribute. No matter what attribute of Secret Art Young Lord cultivates, there will be no incompatibility. If there were really such worries, this Mistress would naturally have informed Young Lord in advance. "

"I see!" Yang Kai took a deep breath, as if he had just made a big decision, and nodded firmly, "Good, then I'll choose her."

"Understood," The young woman saw Yang Kai make up his mind and quickly clapped her hands. Immediately after, a maidservant walked into the room and the young woman instructed her, "Take this Young Lord to the Snow and Ice Pavilion!"

The maidservant nodded obediently before leading the way.

Yang Kai glanced over at Chen Fan Lei and grinned, "Brother Chen, please help yourself."

"Eh... ah...en, good good!" Chen Fan Lei nodded repeatedly.

After leaving the private room, Yang Kai followed the maidservant along a long path. As his figure merged into the night, Yang Kai's face suddenly sank and his body shivered slightly, seemingly unable to suppress the violent swings in his mood.

He had never imagined that after coming to this place he would see a person from Tong Xuan Realm!

How could he not feel shocked?

Originally, he wasn't certain it was who he thought it was; after all, the world was wide so there were many people who looked similar; but after learning the other party's name was Yue'er, that she cultivated an Ice Attribute Secret Art, and that she was a First-Order Saint King, Yang Kai immediately determined that this Yue'er was someone he knew.

It had been almost ten years since he stepped into the Star Field and all this time, he had never met anyone he knew from his homeland, but now, the first person he met was not just someone related to him, but was actually living in this kind of amorous establishment.

Most importantly, however, she should have been with Su Yan! Now that she was here though, where was Su Yan? Yang Kai's heart pounded with uncertainty as a series of chaotic thoughts crossed his mind. It took him quite a while to finally calm his mood and begin chatting with the maidservant, trying to probe for some more information about this woman named Yue'er.

But whether Joyous Union Pavilion had rules against it, or this maidservant's position was too low for her to know anything, Yang Kai was unable to extract anything of use from her. In the end, the maidservant could only apologize with a guilty look on her face.

Seeing this, Yang Kai could only sigh softly and hold his questions until he met Yue'er in person.

Not long after, the two arrived in front of an exquisite pavilion that was constructed from some kind of special material that gave off a faint chill.

Here, the maidservant bowed and said, "Young Lord, please enter. This is where Lady Yue'er spends most of her days in meditation. Since she is here today, she should have already been informed that she had a guest so she should be waiting for Young Lord's arrival."

"En," Yang Kai waved his hand and sent the maidservant away before striding into the small palace.

There was no one on the first floor, but Yang Kai's Divine Sense had already located a person on the second floor. After realizing that this person's life aura was indeed the same as the one he knew, Yang Kai no longer hesitated and quickly rushed upstairs.

The series of footsteps sounded like a drum, causing the woman on the second floor to tremble with fear and a dangerous light quickly flashed across her beautiful eyes, but soon, she seemed to remember something that caused her face to darken and a bitter smile to appear on her face. She then sat quietly at a small round table and waited expressionlessly.

A moment later, Yang Kai arrived on the second floor and directly opened the door to enter a snow-white room. Everything in this room could be described as pure, and whether it was the curtains or the bedding, everything was white, and together with the slight chill in the air, it gave the illusion that one had just entered a world of ice and snow.

Yang Kai's eyes landed on the woman sitting nearby and he could tell that she was currently feeling quite uneasy, her head drooping down, not standing up to greet him in any way. A few strands of hair hung down to her chest which gave her an extremely desolate and helpless appearance, eliciting a great sense of pity from any who saw her.

As Yang Kai walked straight towards her, this woman's tender body trembled slightly, as if she was panicking and a painful expression appeared on her face; however, she remained still without moving.

It wasn't until Yang Kai arrived right in front of her that she let out a resigned sigh and got up to bow politely, "This mistress greets Honoured Guest. May I ask if Honoured Guest wishes to begin immediately?"

She had apparently been informed about having a patron and she continued to hang her head down from beginning to end, avoiding looking at Yang Kai as if she was afraid of something. Even when she spoke, she shows the slightest intention of making conversation, cutting straight to the point.

Yang Kai did not speak as he simply stared at her silently, causing Yue'er to feel quite uncomfortable, as if everything about her was being seen through, causing her to shiver unconsciously.

However, even after quite some time, her guest did not try to take advantage of her at all, causing Yue'er's brow to wrinkle slightly. Just as she was about to say something more, a sigh rang across from her and a faintly familiar voice sounded in her ear, "Elder Qian Yue, it's been a long time!"

Chapter 1313, Ice Soul Bead

Although it was only a soft greeting, when it reached Elder Qian Yue's ears, her body shivered greatly as she hurriedly raised her head to stare at Yang Kai in disbelief.

Immediately, a look of surprise and confusion bursts flashed across her beautiful eyes, as if recognizing Yang Kai but unsure if she was just imagining things, her thoughts being thrown into complete chaos for a time.

"What? Could it be Elder Qian Yue doesn't recognize this Yang?" Yang Kai smiled at her lightly.

"Yang Kai!" Qian Yue called out in shock, covering her mouth with her hands as her eyes trembled violently, "It's really you!"

“In this place, besides me, who else knows you as Elder Qian Yue?” Yang Kai raised his brow.

Qian Yue’s expression became even more complicated as she stared at Yang Kai fixedly, wanting to laugh, wanting to cry, a deep struggle taking place on her face for quite some time before she was finally able to restore her calm, leaving only a touch of fondness in her eyes, as if she had finally met a family member after being separated from them for a very long time. Taking a light breath, she pats on her abundant bosom in relief and finally offered her own greetings, “I never expected to be able to meet you here.”

Yang Kai grinned, “I also didn’t anticipate such a reunion.”

“Right, sit down so we can talk,” Qian Yue regained her composure and offered him a seat.

Yang Kai nodded and sat across from her.

Qian Yue sat down, and as their four eyes met, both of them went silent. Obviously they both had a stomach full of questions, but neither of them immediately began asking them.

Qian Yue’s mood was still a bit unstable and Yang Kai was not much better, as the woman named Yue’er in front of him really turned out to be Elder Qian Yue from Tong Xuan Realm’s Ice Sect!

Yang Kai hadn’t really had much contact with this woman and they could at most be considered unfamiliar acquaintances, but in the past, Qian Yue had helped direct Su Yan’s cultivation and although they weren’t officially Master and Disciple, the relationship they shared was essentially that.

When Meng Wu Ya returned to Tong Xuan Realm with Xia Ning Chang and Su Yan through the Void Corridor belonging to the Central Capital, because he needed to free himself from the Profound Heavenly Seal planted on him by Demon Commander Zhang Yuan, he found it impossible to constantly protect Su Yan, so he had entrusted her to the reclusive Ice Sect.

Later, Yang Kai also arrived in Tong Xuan Realm, and after much searching, he had arrived at the Ice Sect where he met Elder Qian Yue and even fought with her.

At the time, Ice Sect’s entire leadership had been drawn out and, in addition to Qian Yue, Yang Kai vaguely remembered several other Saint Realm Elders. Among them was a person named Qian Hao who was Qian Yue’s older blood-related brother as well as Sect Master Qing Ya, who was a peak Third-Order Saint, one of the top masters who stood at the summit of Tong Xuan Realm’s cultivation world.

Back then, Yang Kai had only been a Transcendent Realm cultivator and had only been able to deal with the several Saint Realm Elders of Ice Sect with the help of his Soul Devouring Insects. In the end, he had forced Sect Master Qing Ya to give way and then spent some time to finally communicate with Su Yan’s Soul, bringing their Yin-Yang Joyous Unification Art to the grand accomplishment stage.

Now, less than two decades later, an Elder-class figure that Yang Kai had needed to look up to was currently a destitute traveller who had lost even the freedom to decide her own fate and had degenerated into a Dual Cultivation tool for paying customers to use for breaking through their cultivation bottlenecks. The myriad twists and turns which had resulted in the current situation really made Yang Kai feel somewhat emotional while the same must be even truer for Elder Qian Yue.

As these thoughts flashed across Yang Kai's mind, his expression suddenly changed as he put on a smile and asked, "I heard that Lady Yue'er has cultivated an Ice Attribute Secret Art. Did you come here from afar? How did you wind up in this place?"

Qian Yue's brow furrowed slightly as she stared at Yang Kai suspiciously, but after seeing the unusual look in his eyes, she suddenly understood something and replied lightly, "I indeed once cultivated an Ice Attribute Secret Art, but this matter will not have any detriment to Honoured Guest's request. As for how I came to this place, it is not something Honoured Guest need concern himself with."

Yang Kai didn't reveal any signs of discontent and simply smiled lightly, "If that's the case, then this Yang will not ask any further, I simply thought that before we dual cultivate, some communication would benefit both of us. This Yang would like to have a good discussion with Lady Yue'er to increase our mutual understanding, does Lady Yue'er have any objections?"

"If that is what Honoured Guest requests, this Mistress will naturally cooperate," Qian Yue still replied indifferently.

Yang Kai gently nodded before launching into a conversation about some trivial matters with Qian Yue, most of which were about some interesting rumours he had heard which actually piqued Qian Yue's interest. Although her expression remained cold, her beautiful eyes were quite animated and revealed a curious light.

After a long time, Yang Kai's voice abruptly came to a halt as his expression became serious once more, nodding to Qian Yue slightly, "Alright. The Divine Sense which was monitoring us has withdrawn."

Qian Yue expression also became serious while some surprise flashed across her eyes at the same time as she said, "Yang Kai, you really are a bit difficult to see through. When you were just a Transcendent, you dared to break into the Ice Sect all alone, and now you've come to Joyous Union Pavilion and are actually able to detect the Divine Sense surveillance of those people. How did you accomplish that?"

Any Divine Sense that would be monitoring this place must belong to an Origin Returning Realm master! If not for seeing Yang Kai's expression which was silently warning her about this, Qian Yue wouldn't have cooperated with him.

However, Qian Yue could clearly tell that Yang Kai's cultivation had only reached the Second-Order Saint King Realm, something which greatly surprised her for many reasons.

Yang Kai smiled lightly and explained, "My Divine Sense is a bit stronger than the average cultivator's."

"This can't be described as merely being a bit stronger," Qian Yue shook her head wryly but didn't try to dig any deeper, instead asking eagerly, "Why are you here?"

"I wanted to ask you the exact same question," Yang Kai looked at her seriously.

"It's a long story," Qian Yue smiled bitterly, picking up the teapot to pour both of them a cup before sorting out her thoughts and continuing, "Presumably you should know by now why Ice Sect had established itself in that glacial world?"

"En, I have a fair understanding. It must have been to guard against the resurgence of the Bone Race," Yang Kai nodded lightly, his memories of the past surfacing slowly.

“Yeah, but the Bone Race’s reappearance was far more violent than what our Ice Sect anticipated and after many years of decline, we were unable to resist them by relying on just the few Saint Realm masters we possessed! Fortunately, the Seniors of Ice Sect had seized a Star Shuttle during their first conflict with the Bone Race and that Star Shuttle had been passed down from one generation of Sect Master to the next. After Ice Sect was destroyed, Qing Ya knew that she wouldn’t be able to escape with us in tow so we had no choice but to risk entering the Void Corridor nearby and rely on the power of the Star Shuttle to enter the Star Field!”

“En, it’s just as I had inquired about,” Yang Kai took a deep breath, “After entering the Star Field though, how did you wind up here? Where are Sect Master Qing Ya and Su Yan?” Yang Kai asked anxiously.

Qian Yue’s expression dimmed suddenly, and upon seeing this, Yang Kai’s face turned pale as fear and anxiety threatened to overcome him.

Seeing his look, Qian Yue immediately knew that he had misunderstood her and quickly waved her hands, “It’s not what you think. Although I don’t know where they are now, Sect Master Qing Ya and Su Yan are definitely still alive.”

“How can you be so sure?” Yang Kai looked at her suspiciously.

“Because of this,” Qian Yue turned her palm over and summoned two pure and flawless ice crystal beads, each of them only the size of a thumbnail.

As soon as he saw these two ice beads, Yang Kai was startled and his eyes immediately became fixed on one of them in particular, unable to look away. He felt Su Yan’s aura from this ice bead while the other carried Qing Ya’s.

“What are these?” Yang Kai eventually looked up at Qian Yue.

“These are Ice Soul Beads created using one of our Ice Sect’s secret techniques. This bead will only shatter when the person who condensed it falls!” Qian Yue explained softly, “Every Ice Soul Bead corresponds to a specific person. We were also concerned that we would become separated after entering the Star Field, so we condensed several sets of these just in case. I have the others’ Ice Soul Bead in my hands, and they have my Ice Soul Beads in theirs. Since these two Ice Soul Beads haven’t broken, that can only mean they are still alive!”

Hearing this, Yang Kai finally calmed down as a look of pleasant surprise flashed across his eyes.

As long as Su Yan was alive, he could feel at ease. Although he didn’t know where she was right now, there would be a day when they would meet again, of this, Yang Kai was convinced.

After hesitating for a moment, Yang Kai asked, “This Ice Soul Bead, can you give it to me?”

Qian Yue smiled lightly, “Of course; after all, you are little Su Yan’s most beloved person in the world.”

Saying so, she handed over the Ice Soul Bead that belonged to Su Yan. Yang Kai expressed his thanks once more before accepting it.

Staring at the cold bead, Yang Kai couldn’t help reminiscing about Su Yan’s appearance and the smile she showed him all those years ago, a trace of tenderness filling his expression. Yang Kai indulged in this reverie for a moment before very cautiously placing this Ice Soul Bead into his Black Book Space.

After doing this, Yang Kai let out a sigh of relief as his mind and body seemed to relax greatly. The invisible pressure which had been weighing on his heart for so long finally lifted at this moment and the Saint Qi in his body began to involuntarily churn, causing the surrounding World Energy to stir violently.

After learning that Su Yan had not encountered any kind of fatal accident, relieving the stress in his heart, Yang Kai's aura began to surge and he showed signs of breaking through.

Although Yang Kai hadn't mentioned the matter about Su Yan to anyone for a long time, and even if he only occasionally had time to think about it, the subtle worry he felt had never left him and had become something of a stumbling block for his process.

Now, feeling Su Yan's aura once more, this shackle had been released. As long as this Ice Soul Bead still existed, Yang Kai could rest assured that she was still alive, so naturally, he was able to relax. After refining the Profound Yin Sunflower Water in the Flowing Flame Sand Field, his cultivation had reached the peak of the Second-Order Saint King Realm, and now that almost two years had passed, he had truly reached the edge of a breakthrough.

Today's matter was simply a sudden opportunity, and even if it hadn't happened, Yang Kai estimated that within three to six months he would still be able to break through. Him being in a rush to return to Dragon Cave Mountain was also because he wanted to make preparations for this breakthrough.

The abnormalities in Yang Kai's aura naturally didn't escape Qian Yue's eyes and she couldn't help looking at him in surprise. A look of delight appeared on her face and Qian Yue was just about to congratulate him when suddenly Yang Kai frowned and forcibly suppressed the roiling of his Saint Qi. A moment later, after his face went a bit red, nothing more happened.

Chapter 1314, Qian Yue's Bitter Experience

The surrounding World Energy, which had been disturbed by Yang Kai's surge in aura, quickly settled and returned to normal.

"Why would you give up such an opportunity?" Qian Yue asked with a slight look of pity in her eyes.

Yang Kai smiled and shook his head, "It's fine, I will have another one sooner or later. Right now, I'd rather learn more about your current situation, like how you wound up separated after entering the Star Field."

Qian Yue heard this and couldn't help flashing a bitter smile, nodding after a moment of silence and agreeing, "Alright, your mood is unstable right now so it's not the best time to break through anyways."

After collecting her thoughts, Qian Yue began explaining what happened after she and the other Elders of Ice Sect entered the Star Field.

Through Qian Yue's narration, Yang Kai realized that the initial journey she and the others had through the Star Field was far more dangerous than his own, especially when it came to Starry Sky Storms and vast Asteroid Seas.

In terms of physical strength and Soul cultivation, none of the Ice Sect survivors could match Yang Kai, so after entering the Star Field, they were immediately beset by crisis. If not for Qing Ya and the other Saints doing their utmost to protect her, with Su Yan's cultivation, she would have quickly fallen.

Even so, two Saint Realm Elders of Ice Sect had failed to withstand the impact of a particularly harsh Starry Sky Storm and fallen, leaving behind only Sect Master Qing Ya, Su Yan, Qian Yue, and Qian Hao.

These four had continued wandering destitute through the Star Field for several years before they stumbled upon a Void Corridor.

Although they had no idea what kind of dangers might lie beyond this Void Corridor, if they gave up this opportunity, they would soon be unable to support themselves.

So, after some discussions, the four dove into the Void Corridor, but this particular Void Corridor seemed to be a little unstable and actually had many internal forks, causing their group to inadvertently be dispersed. After Qian Yue passed through this Void Corridor, she found herself on Shadowed Star.

As for the others, she could not tell where they went.

Yang Kai's expression became much heavier after hearing this.

If they had simply been separated after passing through the same fork in this Void Corridor, then Sect Master Qing Ya, Elder Qian Hao, and Su Yan must have also arrived on Shadowed Star, but if they had taken different forks, who knows where they could have been sent?

Moreover, Yang Kai was at least ninety percent certain that the other three weren't on Shadowed Star, because if they were, he would have been able to faintly sense Su Yan's presence, and as he grew stronger, this link would have become easier to detect.

Yang Kai had used a drop of Golden Blood and circumnavigate all of Shadowed Star, so if Su Yan was really here, he would definitely have been aware of it.

[Void Corridors could have multiple branches!] This concept startled Yang Kai quite a bit, but he soon felt that with the world being so vast, such things should not really be a surprise. He was still just a small Second-Order Saint King, so there were obviously many things he could not understand yet.

The Ice Soul Beads indeed showed that the other three were still alive, but it did not provide any clues as to where in the Star Field they might be.

When Qian Yue arrived on Shadowed Star, she appeared near Black Crow City. At that time, she had just passed through an unstable Void Corridor and been seriously wounded, with almost no power to protect herself. Unfortunately, soon after, she encountered several heinous cultivators who, after seeing her extraordinary appearance, immediately had ill intentions towards her. Fortunately, a nearby Origin Returning Realm master happened to pass by, rescued her, and brought her back to Joyous Union Pavilion.

Since then, Qian Yue had lived in Joyous Union Pavilion and cultivated the Dual Cultivation Technique given to her by the Origin Realm master who saved her.

As time passed, Qian Yue gradually understood what kind of place she had been brought to and what fate would be waiting for her. Fortunately, her cultivation was not low and after quickly reaching the First-Order Saint King Realm, no ordinary person would be able to afford her. Occasionally, several distinguished guests who paid a lot of money had come here, but none of them had selected her, allowing her to retain her freedom until now.

Today though, when she received word that an Honoured Guest would soon be visiting her boudoir and that she would need to give him her innocence, Qian Yue's heart had been thrown into turmoil, but to her great surprise this VIP actually turned out to be Yang Kai.

While Qian Yue told her story, Yang Kai did not interrupt and simply listened attentively.

It seemed that recalling all her bitter experiences made Qian Yue a bit emotional and she would sometimes wipe a few tears that leaked from her eyes as she spoke. Before, she had been an Elder of Ice Sect, and although her reputation wasn't resounding, she was still one of the top masters in all of Tong Xuan Realm, but after entering the Star Field, before she could even see any of its wonders, she had encountered several life threatening disasters and when she finally settled down, she had actually been put under house arrest and degenerated into a prostitute.

Her circumstances before and after could only be described as worlds apart.

Yang Kai did not know how to comfort her. In a certain sense, Qian Yue could barely be considered his Elder, but as one's cultivation rose, they would pile up many different experiences, making it impossible to judge one's true age from their appearance and demeanor. If Yang Kai tried to comfort her as a peer, it would instead feel more like he was overstepping himself.

After Qian Yue had settled down somewhat, Yang Kai asked, "Do you still remember the scenes of the Star Field you saw before you entered that Void Corridor?"

"I can't be certain, but I do still have some impressions of the nearby star patterns," Qian Yue gently nodded.

"Okay..." Yang Kai's eyes lit up, "Then another day you'll have to describe those star patterns to me!"

"Naturally, that's not a problem, but with that alone, how do you plan on determining that location?"

"You don't have to worry about that, I naturally have my ways. Right, you mentioned just now that there was a restriction placed on you, correct? If it is convenient, can you show it to me?"

"It should be fine for you to examine it, but don't act rashly. That seal was placed on me by the Origin Returning Realm master who rescued me, one of the managers of this Joyous Union Pavilion. She spends most of her days in a secret room in this compound meditating, so if she is alarmed, the consequences will definitely be dire."

"En, I understand," Yang Kai nodded lightly before reaching out and placing two fingers on Qian Yue's wrist. Injecting a thread of his Saint Qi into her body, Yang Kai began examining the seal placed on her.

As he investigated this restriction, Yang Kai's expression gradually became dignified.

After some time, Yang Kai withdrew his fingers, revealed a thoughtful expression, and said, "It's not too vicious a seal, it seems its only purpose is to stop you from running away."

"En, I tried to escape a few times, but every time she activated this seal, I became too weak to even move. If it were not for me breaking through to the Saint King Realm in the past few years, she wouldn't have been so forgiving towards me."

A few years ago, Qian Yue was just a Saint Realm cultivator, but to the Joyous Union Pavilion, the worth of a Saint Realm woman was incomparable to that of a Saint King Realm woman. It was for this reason that even though Qian Yue tried to run away multiple times, she only received a bit of light punishment.

After Qian Yue successfully broke through to the Saint King Realm, she was immediately pushed into becoming a Dual Cultivation partner for rich cultivators.

It was obvious now that the reason that Origin Realm master had rescued Qian Yue at that time was because of it. After all, Qian Yue seemed to be all alone, had decent cultivation, and had her innocence intact. Rescuing and cultivating her was undoubtedly more cost-effective for the Joyous Union Pavilion than training a girl from scratch.

“I’ve told you my story now, but what about yours? What is the situation in Tong Xuan Realm? Did the Bone Race wreak havoc?” Qian Yue sorted out her appearance and asked nervously.

Although she had come to the Star Field, Tong Xuan Realm was still her home and she could not help worrying about it.

Yang Kai smiled lightly, “Don’t worry about the Bone Race, they’ve been annihilated. Tong Xuan Realm was quite prosperous when I left, and the relationship between the Demon Race, Monster Race and Human Race was also much more harmonious after they worked together to defeat a common enemy.”

“The Bone Race has been annihilated?” Qian Yue was shocked to hear this and quickly asked, “How did it happen?”

Yang Kai explained briefly about how all of Tong Xuan Realm’s races banded together to fight the Bone Race. Qian Yue listened with a fascinated look, and after understanding the events of that great battle, Yang Kai also explained to her about his experiences in the Star Field.

Compared with Qian Yue’s experience, Yang Kai’s was far more fantastical but also far more dangerous.

After Yang Kai entered the Star Field, he had quickly been captured and imprisoned in the Power Room of a Starship where his Saint Qi was continuously extracted to replenish its energy reserves. Soon after, the Starship he was aboard was caught in the Chaotic Abyss’ domain eruption and was destroyed, resulting in him being stranded on the strange floating continent with Gui Zu. Eventually escaping from the floating continent, Yang Kai then went to Water Moon Star where he had inexplicably drawn the attention of Xue Yue Third Young Master of Heng Luo Chamber of Commerce and taken a perilous journey filled with unexpected twists and turns to Rainfall Star.

After unlocking the Soul Chains, Yang Kai had then escaped from Rainfall Star and been trapped in a deep sleep inside the strange blood-red crystal for several years, eventually drifting all the way to Shadowed Star where he was fished from the Starry Sky by Wu Yi and the others from the Hai Ke Family.

Only after explaining everything up until and including his recent exploration of the Flowing Flame Sand Field did Yang Kai stop.

Of course, Yang Kai intentionally brushed over the strange ‘battle’ he had fought with Xue Yue Third Young Master on that unnamed Dead Star, as well as the fact that Xue Yue was a woman.

After listening to his story, Qian Yue could not help feeling a sense of envy, as well as admiration. What she envied was the free and unconstrained life Yang Kai had while what she admired was how he had crossed so many dangerous roads after entering the Star Field. His original intentions of entering the Star Field to Su Yan also improved Qian Yue's impression of him greatly and she even felt that Su Yan had not entrusted herself to the wrong person.

On top of that, seeing his concern about Su Yan just now, it was obvious that even after so many years had passed, Su Yan's weight in his heart had not diminished in the slightest.

After falling silent for a moment though, Qian Yue suddenly smiled meaningfully as she stared at Yang Kai and said, "Seeing you like this, it seems you've really led an unrestrained life, you even have the time and mind to come to a place like this!"

Gawking for a moment, Yang Kai quickly understood that she was speaking to uphold justice for Su Yan and quickly waved his hands, "Elder Qian Yue misunderstands, I have a reason for coming here."

"Of course you have a reason, every man who comes here says the same when he's asked, but in light of your performance just now, on behalf of Su Yan, I will give you a chance to explain yourself. If you really have some important reasons to come here, then so be it, but if not... hmph, don't blame this Elder for speaking a few malicious remarks to Su Yan the next time we meet," Qian Yue said with a faint grin.

Yang Kai's eyes swam as his heart clenched but he quickly regained his composure and began explaining about Chen Fan Lei inviting him to come here as well as his suspicions about Wang Yu Han's interference.

Silavin: lol. Guys, next time, when you visit a prostitution bar, and your girlfriend finds out, tell them:

"It was night out and I felt there was someone following me. I needed to go somewhere crowded. Look. I only entered the room to hide. Nothing more than that."

Chapter 1315, Redeeming

Qian Yue was able to become an Elder of Ice Sect, and had also cultivated to the Second-Order Saint Realm on Tong Xuan Realm, so naturally, she was an intelligent woman. After listening to Yang Kai's explanation, how could she not understand the circumstances surrounding his situation?

After pondering for a while, she nodded, "If it is as you say, you really do have a reason for coming here, but that Wang Yu Han is quite the schemer, the plan he came up with fulfils his objective while allowing him to remain hidden. He's not someone to be underestimated."

Yang Kai smiled faintly and said, "If him plotting against me like this is just to discredit me in Chen Shi Tao's eyes, then so be it, but if he has other malicious intent, heh..."

Although he had guessed what Wang Yu Han's plan was, Yang Kai didn't intend to leave here right away. Originally, he had been planning to wait here and force Wang Yu Han to reveal his true intentions, but after seeing Qian Yue's figure on those silver mirrors, he had naturally pushed the plot along and come to this Snow and Ice Pavilion.

"It seems you're still as fearless as ever," Qian Yue muttered absent-mindedly, the scene of Yang Kai breaking into Ice Sect alone and running amok suddenly flashing across her memories. Whether it was at that time or now, Yang Kai's strength hadn't been very high, but he dared to do things ordinary people would never even dream of. After pondering for a while, Qian Yue continued, "But since you dare to do this, you must have some degree of confidence, so I won't try to persuade you otherwise; however, you have to be careful. I don't want to have to collect the dead body of an old acquaintance I managed to encounter after so long."

"Rest assured, if I cannot win, I can still escape," Yang Kai grinned, "However, you have to tell me first, what kind of background does this Joyous Union Pavilion have?"

"Background?" Qian Yue's brow furrowed slightly, "I don't know much about the specific situation; after all, since I came here, I haven't had much contact with outsiders, but occasionally I overheard some gossip from the maidservants. There are three Origin Returning Realm masters who oversee this place, and Joyous Union Pavilion itself seems to be the hidden industry of a Sect called Imperial City Sect. They also seem to have the support of the City Lord here."

"Imperial City Sect?" Yang Kai froze for a moment, feeling like he had dealt with members of this Sect somewhere before, but even after thinking about it for a while, he was unable to remember.

Since he couldn't remember though, it shouldn't have been anything important, so Yang Kai didn't pay it any mind. Stroking his chin for a moment, he began pondering out loud, "Three Origin Returning Realm masters standing guard here, its not a weak lineup."

Seeing the strange light flashing across his eyes, Qian Yue beautiful face changed and she hurriedly asked, "What do you want to do?"

Yang Kai waved his hand lightly and smiled, "It's not what you think. I have no grudge or grievance with this place, so I don't plan on stirring up trouble, I simply want to take you away from here."

"Take me away?" A look of joy flashed across Qian Yue's face; however, her expression quickly dimmed and she said with a bitter smile, "Leading me away from here won't be easy."

"Is there some kind of problem?" Yang Kai asked in surprise.

"Naturally there are problems, and not small ones at that! Since you can come to Snow and Ice Pavilion, you must have paid a lot of Saint Crystal, yes? I don't know where you obtained those Saint Crystals from, but just one night with me already costs so much, so the price to take me away from here must be at least ten times as high. Do you have that many Saint Crystals?" Obviously in her opinion, it was impossible for Yang Kai to have so many Saint Crystal. Just the fee for a night of passion here was already an astronomical figure in Qian Yue's eyes.

However, Yang Kai just smiled happily and replied, "You don't need to worry about this, I can take out a trivial few Saint Crystals."

"A trivial few..." Qian Yue couldn't help covering her red lips as she stared at Yang Kai in amazement, as if she wanted to confirm it was really him once more. No matter how she thought about it, she wasn't able to figure out how Yang Kai could possess such great wealth.

"I just don't know if the Joyous Union Pavilion will let you go. It stands to reason that a woman like you, after receiving an Honoured Guest and losing your Primordial Yin, wouldn't be too important to Joyous Union Pavilion," Yang Kai thought out loud, but upon saying these words a hint of embarrassment flashed across his face, "This Yang's words were too crass, I hope Elder Qian Yue won't take offence!"

Qian Yue's pretty face blushed lightly, giving her quite a charming appearance, but she quickly recovered and calmly said, "It's fine, what you said is true, but do you think that Joyous Union Pavilion's people won't be able to see I still have my Primordial Yin? While I still retain it, you wanting to purchase me might be a bit difficult."

Yang Kai couldn't help but frown, "That will probably be the case. I'm afraid that Joyous Union Pavilion will use this point to try to raise the price, but that's fine. There's nothing that can't be negotiated in this world, it all depends on whether an appropriate price can be paid. Both you and I are from Tong Xuan Realm, and encountering each other here is nothing short of divine intervention, so no matter what I can't just leave you here."

Hearing this, Qian Yue's face flashed a trace of gratitude and didn't say anything more; instead, she began looking forward to the future in her heart. If there was a chance for her to leave here, how could she choose to remain? Yang Kai's arrival today had finally given her a glimmer of hope, and if she missed this opportunity, all that would await her was a destitute life as a product sold to men for dual cultivation.

Following up, Yang Kai asked for more details about Joyous Union Pavilion. Qian Yue naturally told him everything she knew; unfortunately, her limited knowledge wasn't much help to him.

After an hour or so, Qian Yue summoned a maidservant of Joyous Union Pavilion, and after giving her some instructions, the maidservant showed a shocked expression and directed a complex look towards Yang Kai before quickly leaving.

After the time it would take to boil a cup of tea, the young woman who had dealt with Yang Kai before appeared and looked towards him with a smile, a strange light flashing across her eyes, apparently having heard some information from the maidservant.

Qian Yue personally offered tea before standing beside Yang Kai, a slightly nervous expression on her face.

The young woman took a few sips of the tea before lightly opening her lip and exhaling an orchid scent while asking, "I heard that the Young Lord intends to redeem Yue'er and present her freedom?"

"It is as you heard," Yang Kai nodded calmly, getting straight to the point, "I am very satisfied with Lady Yue'er, so I want to take her out of here. I wonder if your noble establishment is willing to part with her?"

The young woman giggled and looked at Qian Yue with a hint of surprise in her eyes before saying, "If this Mistress isn't mistaken, Yue'er's Primordial Yin is still intact. Since Young Lord has not yet savoured her most precious possession, why do you want to take Yue'er away?"

Yang Kai frowned, "I naturally have my reasons, does your noble establishment insist on inquiring into such matters?"

“Please forgive me, Young Lord, it’s just that there is little precedent for girls from Joyous Union Pavilion to be redeemed. This Mistress has to be a bit cautious.”

A trace of embarrassment appeared on Yang Kai’s face as he seemed to hesitate for a moment before saying, “Since that’s the case, it seems I really should give your noble establishment an explanation. Good, I have indeed not partaken of Lady Yue’er’s innocence, what I am interested in however is her Ice Attribute Secret Art. It has some use for my future cultivation.”

“Her Ice Attribute Secret Art? If that is the case, then this Mistress is even more confused. Those who cultivate such Secret Arts are innumerable, why does Young Lord insist on needing Yue’er specifically?” Saying so, the young woman fixed her beautiful eyes on Yang Kai’s, seemingly wanting to see into the depths of his soul.

Yang Kai chuckled, “There are indeed a lot of cultivators who cultivate Ice Attribute Secret Arts, but those who I feel intimate with are not many. If I said I fell in love with Lady Yue’er at first sight, would you believe it?”

The young woman couldn’t help giggling, and Qian Yue standing beside Yang Kai also showed a high of blush on her face, giving her a shy and embarrassed look.

“Whether you believe it or not, it is the truth. I have nothing to hide,” Yang Kai argued strongly, as if he would go to his death swearing it was the truth.

The young woman’s brow furrowed as she suddenly stood up and walked over to Qian Yue, holding the other’s arm intimately as she smiled elegantly to Yang Kai, “Please don’t be upset, Young Lord. It’s not that this Mistress is trying to make things difficult, it’s just that Yue’er is a disciple Joyous Union Pavilion has cultivated since childhood and invested a great number of resources into. Moreover, this Mistress and Yue’er have a bond of sisterhood, so I am truly reluctant to part with her. I truly hope that she can stay here with me forever.”

“Cultivated since childhood, a bond of sisterhood...” Yang Kai smiled faintly, but the smile on the young woman’s face didn’t diminish as she stared back confidently at him.

If Yang Kai hadn’t known Qian Yue from before and has been aware of her origins, he would likely have been deceived here. This young woman’s ability to talk nonsense was quite astonishing.

Yang Kai’s look suddenly became serious and he waved, “Name your price. Since you haven’t directly refused, there’s obviously room for negotiation. Give me a number and I will see if it can bear it. As long as we can reach an agreement, this transaction can be completed.”

The young woman curled her lips before turning and returning to her seat, saying lightly, “Since Young Lord wants to get straight to business, this Mistress won’t delay any further. Indeed, our Joyous Union Pavilion has precedents for girls being redeemed, but there has never been a Saint King girl among them. If Young Lord wishes to set such a precedent, the price you will have to pay will not be small.”

“Go on,” Yang Kai looked at her lightly.

The young woman’s brows furrowed slightly as she glanced over at Qian Yue and said, “If Yue’er had lost her Primordial Yin, it would be a different matter entirely, but since she still retains her innocence, her price will naturally be higher. “

“Haven’t you made a mistake?” Yang Kai sneered suddenly, “I already paid quite a few Saint Crystals for tonight, so in principle, Lady Yue’er’s Primordial Yin already belongs to me, yet you actually want to take it as a chip to bargain with?”

“There is indeed some truth to that,” The young woman pursed her lips and smiled, “But does Young Lord really wish to claim Yue’er’s Primordial Yin? If not then it must be taken into account. However, if Young Lord wishes to unite with Yue’er now, this Mistress won’t interfere. When your dual cultivation sessions finishes, we can discuss this matter again. How about it?”

She seemed to understand that Yang Kai wouldn’t do this, so she fully intended to take advantage of this point.

Yang Kai’s face went cold, while Qian Yue’s expression also became quite bitter. Being forced to watch others bargaining back and forth over her like she was some kind of item for sale, even discussing the matter of her purity like it was a selling feature, caused Qian Yue’s face to turn sour.

Chapter 1316, Bargaining

Listening to this young woman’s words, if he were to take Qian Yue’s Primordial Yin right now, the price to redeem her would undoubtedly be much lower. Just as Yang Kai and Qian Yue had previously concluded, but how could Yang Kai possibly do this?

In this situation, Yang Kai could do nothing but hold his nose and accept it! This caused him to feel quite depressed in his heart.

With a cold face, he continued, “I cannot accept your proposal, so your demand is reasonable.”

When the young woman saw him compromise, she immediately smiled happily and said, “Without even mentioning the resources Yue’er has consumed for her cultivation so far, just the Dual Cultivation Technique she has cultivated is a core secret of our Joyous Union Pavilion. Since Young Lord has plans to redeem her, I believe there is a need to discuss how to deal with this particular problem, yes? Or could it be possible that Young Lord intends to purchase our Dual Cultivation Technique as well?”

Yang Kai’s face changed slightly, suddenly recognizing that he had ignored this problem, but he quickly realized something and immediately retorted, “Surely you must be joking. Although this Dual Cultivation Technique is indeed your noble establishment’s core secret, as far as I know, there should be many hidden dangers with using it, correct?”

Hearing this, the young woman shot a cold glare towards Qian Yue, seemingly believing she had revealed something she should not have.

Yang Kai quickly interjected though, “You may rest assured, Lady Yue’er did not tell me anything about your Dual Cultivation Technique, I simply know that there is no Secret Art which is so convenient in this world. The Dual Cultivation Technique of your noble establishment is indeed quite unique, but it must surely have its drawbacks as well.”

The look on the young woman’s face became a bit complicated, but she didn’t try to deny Yang Kai’s assertion, simply nodding a moment later and saying, “Being able to see through this point, Young Lord is also a person of great insight it seems. En, our Joyous Union Pavilion’s Dual Cultivation Technique

does have hidden dangers, but this kind of thing is not a secret. Many people know about it and even the guests who come here for this service are aware.”

“Oh?” It was Yang Kai’s turn to be surprised this time, “Could you explain a bit more?”

“Certainly. In any case, if you go outside to inquire a bit, you will be able to learn of it anyway. The hidden dangers of using our Dual Cultivation Technique to break through a bottleneck is that your cultivation will never again increase.”

“I see!” Yang Kai gently nodded, “Since they know about this danger, why come here to break through a bottleneck in the first place?”

“Because the customers who feel they have no hope of breaking through in their lifetime naturally don’t care about such detriments. If they come here, perhaps they can advance another step. If it were Young Lord in their place, and you were unable to break through your bottleneck even after hundreds of years, and you learned our Joyous Union Pavilion might provide that opportunity, how would you choose?”

Yang Kai thought for a moment before nodding in agreement, “I’m afraid I wouldn’t be able to resist such temptation.”

“That’s right. Our Dual Cultivation Technique does indeed have hidden dangers, but it is still a rare and powerful Secret Art. Young Lord wants to redeem Yue’er, and Yue’er knows how to cultivate this Dual Cultivation Technique, so who could say for certain that Young Lord doesn’t have ideas about this Secret Art?”

“You’re well aware of the truth, so why try to press me over this?” Yang Kai coldly snorted, “I’m not stupid enough to destroy my great future with a mere dual cultivation session.”

The young woman laughed lightly, “I am certainly not pressing Young Lord, it is simply necessary for this Mistress to remind Young Lord about this point. However, if Young Lord still insists on taking Yue’er away, there is room for negotiation.”

“I’d like to hear the details!” Yang Kai raised his brow.

“If Yue’er had cultivated the most core principles of our Dual Cultivation Technique, even if Young Lord offered an extraordinary price, this Mistress would not dare to let her go. Fortunately, Yue’er has not been cultivating this technique for very long and has not studied its core concepts yet. As such, some accommodations can be made. This Mistress has two proposals for Young Lord to consider.”

With that said, she looked to Yang Kai and waited until he signaled her to continue before stating casually, “The first proposal is very simple, Yue’er simply needs to abolish her Dual Cultivation Technique.”

As soon as this was said, Qian Yue’s face turned pale and her tender body shivered.

Yang Kai could not help but frown. Although this Dual Cultivation Technique was something Qian Yue had been forced to cultivate after coming to Joyous Union Pavilion, she had nevertheless incorporated it into her cultivation. If it were to be abolished, it would affect her negatively. If her luck was good, it would simply cause some damage to her foundation which could be restored with enough time and resources, but if she was unlucky, it may leave her permanently crippled.

Naturally, Yang Kai immediately shook his head, "This option is unacceptable, tell me about the second one."

The young woman seemed to have expected this and continued with a smile, "The second option is, Young Lord simply must pay a bit more."

"Enough to cover the expense of the first parts of Yue'er Dual Cultivation Technique, right?" Yang Kai asked pointedly.

"That is indeed what this Mistress is proposing. Does Young Lord have any issue with this option?"

"Your proposal is reasonable, so I have no problems with it," Yang Kai nodded lightly.

The young woman's expression filled with happiness as she nodded, "Young Lord is really a straightforward person. But if it is like this, the price Young Lord must pay will not be small."

"What kind of price does your noble establishment want then?" Yang Kai stared at her fixedly.

The young woman frowned slightly and thought for a moment before reporting a number.

Qian Yue's tender body shook noticeably as she stood beside Yang Kai, her eyes flashing a trace of despair. The price was shockingly high. From Qian Yue's meager understanding of Shadowed Star, she knew that such an amount of Saint Crystals would be enough to buy an excellent Origin Grade artifact. Even if she were to spend the rest of her life saving, she may not necessarily be able to accumulate such a sum.

Yang Kai's calm and indifferent expression also gave way to one of frustration as he hesitantly stroked his chin.

Seeing this, the young woman smiled slightly, "Young Lord, there's no point in trying to bargain this price down. Since this Mistress has reported such a number, you can rest assured that it is in line with our Joyous Union Pavilion's policies and not something I can simply change at will. If you cannot afford the price, please give up."

Her last sentence was spoken quite bluntly, as if she had already determined that Yang Kai was strong in will but weak in strength. She was not prepared to waste any more time with him.

Yang Kai let out a sigh and said, "Such a huge amount of Saint Crystals really makes things difficult for me."

The young woman sneered but did not say anything further.

Quickly advancing the conversation though, Yang Kai continued, "Would your noble establishment be willing to accept some items as collateral?"

"Collateral?" The young woman's brow rose slightly.

"Yes. artifacts, pills, materials, or other valuables," Yang Kai replied, "These items are all important for this Yang, so I can only offer them as collateral. After returning home, I will raise enough Saint Crystals and return to redeem them. After all, no one simply carries such a large amount of Saint Crystals with them."

“What Young Lord says makes sense, but it also depends on what you are willing to put up as collateral. If Young Lord were to simply toss out a few random items but never return, wouldn’t my Joyous Union Pavilion wind up suffering a loss?”

“You need not worry about this point, since I must offer something as collateral, they will definitely be important treasures, it is impossible for me to not return to redeem them.” Saying so, Yang Kai wore a look of struggle for a moment before waving his hand and taking out two jade bottles, two artifacts, and a Space Ring. Placing these items on the table between them, Yang Kai pushed them towards the young woman and said lightly, “Please see for yourself if this will be enough.”

The young woman gave Yang Kai a suspicious look but quickly nodded. Picking up the Space Ring first, she swept its contents with her Divine Sense. After discovering that there were some Saint Crystals in it, she put this ring back down without any change in expression; after all, the number of Saint Crystals in this ring was far lower than the price she had just quoted.

Next picking up one of the jade bottles, she opened it and took a sniff. In the next instant, her beautiful face changed slightly, and she quickly poured a pill out of the bottle onto her palm and began carefully inspecting it. After a moment, she showed a trace of surprise and muttered, “An Origin Grade Low-Rank Fire Cloud Pill, and its quality is extremely high. Which Alchemy Grandmaster refined this?”

Yang Kai wore a neutral expression, showing no intention to answer her.

The young woman’s expression immediately became more dignified than before, because in order to obtain such a bottle of Origin Grade Low-Rank pills, it was necessary to have a strong connection with an Alchemy Grandmaster and possess extraordinary status and wealth. Realizing this, she no longer dared look down on Yang Kai.

After all, Imperial City Sect, which was Joyous Union Pavilion’s secret backer was only a mid-rank Sect and they possessed no such Grandmaster.

Checking the other pill bottle, the young woman found it also contained Origin Grade Low-Rank pills, allowing her to affirm the speculation in her heart. These two pill bottles were incredibly valuable, not something that could be purchased simply by possessing enough Saint Crystals.

The two artifacts, on the other hand, were not as impressive, just ordinary Saint King Grade High-Rank artifacts. However, they were still worth a fair number of Saint Crystals.

“These two bottles are treasures I had to expend great effort to obtain and are very useful for my future cultivation, so you may rest assured I will come back for them,” Yang Kai said with a slight smile to the young woman.

The young woman nodded slowly; all of her previous suspicions being swept aside. In truth, these two bottles of pills were treasures that even ordinary Origin Realm masters might not necessarily be able to possess. A Second Order Saint King having them clearly indicated he had extraordinary connections and means.

What she did not know was that these pills were things Yang Kai had refined himself.

Seeing her fall into contemplation, Yang Kai did not say anything further, simply casting a glance of reassurance to Qian Yue. He could tell that this young woman was very interested in the offer he had

made and shouldn't try to put forward any kind of excessive request, so as soon as this transaction was completed, he would immediately take Qian Yue away from Black Crow City and never return.

As for the pills and artifacts he just handed over, how could Yang Kai care about such insignificant things?

The reason Yang Kai had not just taken out the number of Saint Crystals this young woman had asked for was simply out of an abundance of caution. Casually taking out such an astonishing amount of wealth would undoubtedly draw unwanted attention.

Having witnessed this entire process, Qian Yue could not help but smile.

After a long time, the young woman seemed to have made a decision and lifted her head to smile at Yang Kai, but just as she was about to speak, a look of surprise appeared on her face and she quickly took out a communication artifact and apologized, "Forgive me Young Lord, please wait a moment."

Yang Kai smiled and nodded, indicating he did not mind.

The young woman poured her Divine Sense into this communication artifact and seemed to be communicating with someone, her expression fluctuating greatly as the conversation continued.

A moment later, she put away this communication artifact with a confused look before turning to Yang Kai and flashing an awkward expression.

Seeing this look, Yang Kai's heart sank as he suddenly had a bad premonition.

Chapter 1317, Twists And Turns

Sure enough, the young woman smiled apologetically and said, "Young Lord, I'm afraid this deal cannot be completed!"

"Can't be completed?" Yang Kai's eyes narrowed in annoyance as he asked coldly, "Is this offer not enough?"

"Not at all!" The young woman shook her head helplessly, "It's just that this Mistress suddenly received orders from above saying that Yue'er cannot be redeemed. As for the specific reason, I'm afraid I cannot say anything more!"

When Qian Yue heard this, her tender body couldn't help trembling slightly and her face went pale. She had just seen hope of freedom yet now it had been mercilessly taken away.

Yang Kai's face was turned ugly and he directed a cold glare at the young woman opposite him, but upon seeing the look of embarrassment on her face, he quickly understood that this was not her doing, so becoming angry with her was useless. Taking a deep breath, he asked thoughtfully, "Did the message you received say that Lady Yue'er cannot be redeemed or that no one can be redeemed?"

"Is there a difference?" The young woman asked in surprise.

“Just answer the question.” Yang Kai snorted.

It seemed that because she had suddenly reneged on their agreement this young woman felt somewhat embarrassed, so after pondering for a moment, she replied, “Only Yue’er’s name was mentioned. As for the others, nothing else was said.”

“Is that so!” Yang Kai sneered deeply, a light flashing across his eyes before he continued, “I believe that there is no such thing in this world as a deal that cannot be reached, only prices that cannot be paid. If I were to pay another pill, do you think there’d be room to negotiate?”

Having said this, Yang Kai took out an exquisite jade bottle, held it tightly as a pained look appeared on his face for a moment before solemnly handing it to the young woman.

The young woman however just smiled helplessly, “Young Lord, please don’t make things difficult for this Mistress. Since the managers have already made a decision, this matter is really no longer within my ability to negotiate.”

“Whether you can negotiate this matter or not, please take a look at this pill first. If you really aren’t able to conclude this deal, I hope you can at least contact the person who sent you the message just now and ask him what price I need to pay.”

A trace of surprise flashed across this young woman’s eyes as she said with some astonishment, “It seems that Yue’er is truly important to Young Lord. It is definitely Yue’er’s blessing to be so appreciated by Young Lord.”

When she glanced over at Qian Yue again, she couldn’t help revealing a look of jealousy. Yang insisting on redeeming Qian Yue like this clearly showed how much value she had to him. For a woman who lived in this kind of place, such care was undoubtedly extremely enviable.

As a fellow woman, she could naturally empathize with this.

So instead of refusing Yang Kai again, she opened the small jade bottle and glanced inside. After seeing just what was inside, the casual expression on her face disappeared and was replaced with one of great shock.

There was only one pill in this bottle, and it was round, white, and flawless. It exuded a very pleasant aura, and after sniffing it lightly, the young woman felt her mood quickly become calm.

Immediately after, this young woman shot an amazed look at Yang Kai, and seeing him smiling faintly at her, she didn’t dare to act carelessly, pouring out the pill inside this bottle and examining it carefully.

After a long time, she put the pill back into its bottle and let out a light sigh before turning an unusual look towards Yang Kai, “Although this Mistress doesn’t know much about pills, would I be correct in assuming this is an Extinguishing Demons Pill?”

“It seems your knowledge is quite good, it is indeed an Extinguishing Demons Pill!” Yang Kai nodded as his face twitched slightly as if he was distressed.

“This is one of the best auxiliary pills for Saint King Realm cultivators who are attempting to break through to the Origin Returning Realm. It can even drive out heart demons. Although it is not as rare as

the Origin Condensing Pill, its value is comparable. Young Lord, are you sure you want to use this treasure as collateral?”

Yang Kai shook his head, “It’s not collateral, it’s a bargaining chip, if you allow me to redeem Yue’er, this Extinguishing Demons Pill will belong to your Joyous Union Pavilion!”

“A bargaining chip?” A look of joy flashed across the young woman’s face upon hearing this. Gritting her teeth, she declared, “Young Lord, please wait a moment while I contact the managers to see if they are willing to release Yue’er. To be honest, if it were up to me, this deal would have long ago been completed, it’s just...”

She smiled bitterly as she realized just how rare and valuable this Extinguishing Demons Pill was. Not daring to neglect, she quickly took out her communication artifact and poured her Divine Sense into it.

While she was conversing with this unknown party, Yang Kai’s eyes flashed and he released a thread of his Divine Sense quietly to begin sweeping Joyous Union Pavilion. A moment later, besides a few places where there were particularly powerful Spirit Arrays and where there seemed to be Origin Realm masters sitting in meditation, Yang Kai had probed the entire Joyous Union Pavilion.

Not long afterwards, he obtained the information he wanted, and realizing his suspicions were correct, he snickered to himself before quietly withdrawing his Divine Sense, never once exposing anything on his face.

Glancing over at the young woman opposite him, Yang Kai saw her arguing strongly with the party on the other end, her expression quite stern. Obviously, she was unwilling to give up this Extinguishing Demons Pill.

This was only reasonable though. An Extinguishing Demons Pill’s usefulness was very much dependent on the situation. If a small heart demon appeared when a cultivator was trying to break through, there would be no need for this Extinguishing Demons Pill, but if they had a profound heart demon, this kind of pill would be invaluable.

Having such a pill could greatly affect the success or failure of a cultivator breaking through.

The Extinguishing Demons Pill Yang Kai had put out was also something he had refined; he had prepared it for Chang Qi and Hao An when the two of them were attempting to break through to the Origin Returning Realm, but these two already had the Ten Thousand Year Incense Yang Kai brought back from the Flowing Flame Sand Field so they didn’t face any influence from heart demons in the end.

As such, Yang Kai had saved this Extinguishing Demons Pill, and now it happened to come in handy.

Yang Kai also had a number of Origin Condensing Pills on him, but he wasn’t foolish enough to bring these out. Origin Condensing Pills and Extinguishing Demons Pills were supposedly of equal value, but in reality the former was rarer and more precious.

While the young woman continued to converse through her communication artifact, Yang Kai put on an anxious expression. He had to take Qian Yue away from here. It would be best if this deal could be concluded successfully, but if it couldn’t, he could only use more forceful means, subduing this young woman and then immediately fleeing with Qian Yue.

Of course, if the situation devolved to such a point, he would be unable to remain in Black Crow City, so Yang Kai would only use this method as a last resort. He didn't want to fall out with Joyous Union Pavilion; after all, strong dragons don't oppose local snakes. Not to mention, he was only a Second-Order Saint King while there were three Origin Realm masters guarding Joyous Union Pavilion. This establishment also seemed to be supported by the local City Lord, so it was definitely not a place to be casually provoked.

With a plan in mind, Yang Kai's expression became indifferent as he secretly sent a message to Qian Yue, telling her to quietly prepare herself.

Some time later, with an annoyed and somewhat dejected look on her face, the young woman put away her communication artifact and turned an apologetic look to Yang Kai as she slowly shook her head, "This Mistress is really helpless. I don't know why, but the managers insist that Yue'er cannot be redeemed. Please give up, Young Lord."

Yang Kai slowly got up and nodded, "Good, since that's the case, then I won't embarrass you any further. Just rest here for a while!"

Saying so, he flashed a fierce grin at the young woman.

The young woman's heart clenched but before she could react, a powerful pressure burst through her Knowledge Sea's defenses, causing her to suddenly become dizzy.

At the same time, she saw that the young man opposite her flicker and re-appear in front of her, his big hand reaching out towards her. The young woman was thoroughly shocked and wanted to resist, but immediately discovered she was unable to circulate her Saint Qi at all.

She was also a Second-Order Saint King, but when facing Yang Kai, an opponent who was supposedly at the same level, she was unable to fight back at all.

In the next instant, a scalding hot force poured into her body and quickly moved to form an ingenious seal which made it impossible for her to use any of her strength.

The tender body of the young woman went limp as she became unable to even lift her fingers. Only her mouth was still able to move and she hastily called out, "Young Lord, what is the meaning of this? If you dare act unruly in Joyous Union Pavilion, you won't have a good end!"

Yang Kai grinned before snapping his fingers, causing the young woman to lose the ability to speak as well before he leisurely said, "I'll be taking her away with me, but I'll be leaving these items here as agreed, so your noble establishment won't suffer any kind of loss and instead will be making a big profit. As for your managers... I suggest you check carefully with them after you regain your freedom, perhaps you'll find a little fool who was intentionally interfering with our transaction. En, after a thorough investigation, I'm certain you won't be punished."

The young woman looked at Yang Kai in surprise, not knowing what he was trying to reveal by saying these words.

She wanted to ask for more details, but she was unable to open her mouth, so she could only watch the figures of Yang Kai and Qian Yue disappear from her field of vision. Feeling quite anxious, she forcibly urged a secret technique she had practiced to shatter one of her earrings.

The moment the young woman's earring burst, Yang Kai immediately noticed and his face changed greatly, shouting under this breath, "Let's go!"

Saying so, he grabbed Qian Yue's waist and tried to quickly escape from this place.

"You want to go?" Suddenly, a tender voice with a hint of coldness rang out through the air, "You dare act dissolute in my Joyous Union Pavilion? Don't even think of leaving!"

As these words fell, an invisible force suddenly enveloped Yang Kai, making him feel as if the surrounding space had solidified, his body which had just leapt up into the air falling down in the next moment.

"Shi!" Yang Kai's eyes narrowed. It was not the first time he had experienced this power so he was able to recognize it instantly.

After landing, Yang Kai immediately moved to put Qian Yue safely behind him and looked towards a certain spot. On the other side of his vision stood a beautiful middle-aged woman in a light blue dress that tightly wrapped around her enchanting figure; a stark contrast to the cold gloomy look on her pretty face.

Seeing this middle-aged beauty, Qian Yue's face changed drastically as she exclaimed, "Manager Lian!"

Hearing Qian Yue's shout, Yang Kai's face sank as he felt the situation had become quite troublesome.

Silavin: No. The new translator was someone who was good at translating and just wanted to help out. If you guys did not know him, he was the one who helped translate MP's Manhwa.

Chapter 1318, Manager Lian

When Yang Kai was talking with Qian Yue earlier, he learned that the one who had saved her, brought her back to Joyous Union Pavilion, and taught her this place's Dual Cultivation Technique was this Manager Lian, a Second-Order Origin Returning Realm master and the most powerful cultivator among the three Origin Realm managers of Joyous Union Pavilion.

Below this woman were two other managers who were at the First-Order Origin Returning Realm.

If it had been one of the two First-Order Origin Returning Realm managers who had blocked his path, Yang Kai would still have confidence in being able to escape with Qian Yue, but facing this Manager Lian, he was far less certain. After all, the difference in their cultivation was an entire Great Realm and, if Yang Kai got tied down here for even a moment, the other two Origin Realm masters would certainly catch-up quickly. At that point, facing three Origin Returning Realm masters alone, and needing to protect Qian Yue at the same time, the result was easy to imagine.

After the last incident in the Corpse Cave, Yang Kai didn't dare to rashly try to escape by tearing space while bringing along another person.

As various thoughts crossed Yang Kai's mind, Manager Lian shot a cold glare at Qian Yue and snorted angrily, "Yue'er, your courage isn't small, actually daring to try to flee here with an outsider. It seems your last punishment wasn't harsh enough for you to learn!"

Saying so, her Divine Sense pulsed and Qian Yue, who was being protected behind Yang Kai, suddenly let out a cry of pain and her tender body fell to the ground, sweat dripping from her pale face.

Yang Kai's expression became sullen, but he did not act rashly as he saw that this Manager Lian had simply activated the seal placed on Qian Yue to restrain her rather than take her life.

After a while, Qian Yue's cries gradually weakened and Manager Lian finally turned her attention from Qian Yue to Yang Kai. A disdainful sneer flashing across her face as she scoffed, "I was wondering who had eaten a bear's heart and leopard's gall to gain the courage to dare try to make trouble in my Joyous Union Pavilion, but it turns out to be just a little Saint King Realm brat. Who gave you such nerve? Do you know what the consequences will be?"

Yang Kai's face remained indifferent as he helped Qian Yue up off the ground. Sweeping her with his Divine Sense, he quickly confirmed that she hadn't suffered any serious injuries and his expression softened a little. Turning his attention to the beautiful middle-aged woman before him, Yang Kai said lightly, "Manager Lian I presume? I was not trying to escape with her, I had reached a deal with your noble establishment to redeem her. Could it be that after providing payment I cannot take the woman I settled on and leave here? Could it be your noble establishment not only deals in prostitution but also in murdering and robbing?"

"Bold!" The beautiful middle-aged woman's face went ice cold as she waved her hand and sent out a ray of white light towards Yang Kai.

In response, Yang Kai let out a loud roar as black flames burst from his fist and, while fiercely pushing his Saint Qi, sent out a flurry of punches.

Fist shadows visible to the naked eye blasted out, each one containing searing hot energy as they flew to intercept Manager Lian's attack.

A great rumbling rang out and a blinding explosion of light filled the surrounding darkness of night. The countless fist shadows all collapsed but Manager Lian's attack also dissipated halfway and was completely dispersed.

Yang Kai remained standing in place, his figure not retreating a single step while Manager Lian's eyes flashed with a trace of surprise as she stared at the young man in front of her. Although she had not exerted herself fully in the previous attack, she had still used at least thirty percent of her strength, so Yang Kai being able to resist her with ease, even under the influence of her Shi, greatly surprised her.

Forgetting the fact that this young man was just a Second-Order Saint King, even if he had been a peak Saint King it would normally be impossible to accomplish this. Manager Lian had thought that she would at least be able to punish Yang Kai for his brazen words.

Although her blow failed to produce the desired effect, given her status and identity, she was unable to strike a second time, so all she could do was stare at Yang Kai in amazement and uncertainty.

From this brief exchange it was obvious to her that Yang Kai was not an ordinary cultivator, rather he was likely an elite among the elite. Having such strength while only being a Second-Order Saint King meant that this young man's background was not low. Before she could figure out Yang Kai's origins, it would be unwise to act rashly lest she provoke a powerful enemy for Joyous Union Pavilion.

The noise from this conflict had naturally alarmed the entire Joyous Union Pavilion.

A moment later, two other First-Order Origin Returning Realm masters rushed to the scene from separate locations. After seeing the scene before them, they were both greatly surprised and quickly gathered around Manager Lian to inquire about the situation.

On the other side, a young man rushed out directly to Yang Kai and asked in a stunned voice, "Brother Yang, what happened?"

Naturally, it was Chen Fan Lei! But looking at the state of his clothes and his still neat and tidy appearance, it was clear he had not yet achieved 'good things' before rushing over to see what all the commotion was about.

Yang Kai gave him a wry smile and whispered, "It's a bit inconvenient to explain right now, I'll tell you later."

"Oh," Chen Fan Lei no longer asked anything, but instead quietly glanced over to the other side. After only a brief glance, his heart sank; never had he imagined that his first time entering this kind of pleasure-seeking establishment he would be involved in so much trouble.

The three Origin Returning Realm master managers of Joyous Union Pavilion had all gathered and were staring at Yang Kai, none of them quite knowing how to proceed while from all directions, countless guards of Joyous Union Pavilion had surrounded this place, making for a lively scene.

Chen Fan Lei felt tightness in his chest and was in the midst of a deep regret. He felt he really should not have come to this damned place today and gotten into this mess for no apparent reason.

After a short discussion, the three Origin Returning Realm masters seemed to have reached some kind of decision, with Manager Lian taking the initiative to speak to Yang Kai, "You just said you have already redeemed Yue'er, but who was it you made this deal with?"

"Manager Lian, it was I!" The young woman who had been negotiating with Yang Kai suddenly called out.

The seal Yang Kai put on her was not very strong and was only meant to buy him some time, so after a short while she had broken it and regained her freedom. After freeing herself, she hurried over to this place and upon hearing Manager Lian's question, she did not dare conceal anything and answered immediately.

"Xiao Qing... Are you alright? Did he attack you?" Manager Lian saw that something had happened to this young woman and asked coldly.

"This maid has not been affected greatly, this Young Lord did not act with malicious intent," The young woman actually put in a good word for Yang Kai, obviously because she was still quite impressed by the offer Yang Kai had just made.

"Even if that's the case, daring to cause trouble in my Joyous Union Pavilion, he's clearly looking down on us," Another old man in azure robes coldly snorted as he turned a bad look towards Yang Kai.

“Manager Wang is correct. Such an incident cannot just be overlooked, but for the time being, tell me about this transaction that boy over there mentioned,” Manager Lian turned to the young woman and asked.

The young woman took a moment to collect her thoughts before carefully explaining the twists and turns that had taken place in her negotiations with Yang Kai. As she narrated this series of events, the three Joyous Union Pavilion managers each showed varying expressions.

When Manager Lian heard the extraordinary price Yang Kai had offered to redeem Qian Yue, she was naturally quite shocked. Although she was still annoyed by Yang Kai’s previous actions, the coldness on her face undoubtedly dissipated a lot.

On the other hand, Manager Wang appeared to think of something, and he seemingly unintentionally shot a glance towards a nearby building, an angry glare flashing across his eyes.

The last Origin Returning Realm manager simply stood by with an indifferent look upon his face.

After the young woman finished speaking, Manager Lian nodded lightly, “Good, according to our establishment’s rules, since this boy was willing to pay such a big price, there was no reason not to agree! You also have the right to complete such a deal. Manager Wang, Manager Xu, which one of you insisted on keeping Yue’er, is there any deep meaning behind this move?”

“This has nothing to do with me, I was in secluded cultivation the whole time,” Manager Xu, who still retained his indifferent expression, shook his head slowly.

Hearing this, Manager Lian set her sights on the old man surnamed Wang.

This man wore a helpless look and was just about to speak when Yang Kai suddenly grinned and cut in, “Perhaps Manager Wang doesn’t know the circumstances of this matter.”

“What do you mean?” The beautiful middle-aged woman asked coldly.

“Get out here!” Yang Kai suddenly snorted as a Golden Thread shot out from this hand and pierced towards a nearby loft. This Golden Thread flew extremely fast, as if it could leap across space, and in the next instant, a panic filled scream rang out from the targeted building. There was a burst of Saint Qi, but this faded as quickly as it had appeared.

Yang Kai flicked his wrist, and the Golden Thread flew back again, but now, there was a male cultivator that had been tied up at its end and was currently struggling to break free.

“Little brat, you dare!” Seeing this, Manger Wang shouted severely and swiftly raised his hand to attack Yang Kai.

“If you dare to move, I’ll crush him to death!” Yang Kai sneered as the Golden Thread suddenly radiated an extremely dangerous aura.

Manager Wang’s face changed and he didn’t dare act rashly; however, the glare he directed at Yang Kai was still filled with incredible hate, as if he wished to skin him alive.

The Golden Thread flew back leisurely, bringing its captured prey with it.

Manager Lian also showed an astonished look on her face. With her Second-Order Origin Returning Realm cultivation, she had naturally seen what just happened. The cultivator hiding in the nearby loft was a genuine Third-Order Saint King, but facing the assault of this Second-Order Saint King boy in front of her, the other party only managed to resist for a breath of time before he had been captured.

Possessing such extraordinary combat strength, just where did this young man come from? Moreover, the Golden Thread in his hand was also very strange. It seemed like an artifact, but also not, and the aura it revealed made it difficult to not pay attention to.

Manager Lian's expression grew cloudy as she secretly felt that it was not a good idea to provoke this young man. He likely had an extraordinarily strong background, something far superior to Imperial City Sect.

"Senior Brother Wang!" After Yang Kai captured this man, Chen Fan Lei could not help shouting, staring at the other person in surprise, "Senior Brother Wang, why are you here? Didn't you have somewhere to go today?"

Wang Yu Han's expression was incredibly ugly, and he was in no mood to answer Chen Fan Lei's question, instead turning his attention to the old man surnamed Wang nearby. Opening his mouth, it seemed Wang Yu Han wanted to ask for help, but he was unable to say anything, causing a look of extreme unwillingness to fill his face.

"Also surnamed Wang..." The beautiful middle-aged woman's eyes flashed, as if she realized something. Turning to the old man surnamed Wang with a smile, she asked, "Manager Wang, how are you and this boy related?"

Chapter 1319, Deal

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The old man surnamed Wang wore a bitter look but he still replied honestly, "I've shown Manager Lian something embarrassing. This boy is one of my descendants and is currently a disciple of Extreme Path Sect. He happened to be visiting Black Crow City and came to visit this old man!"

"Came to visit?" The middle-aged beauty nodded slightly. "It's good that he is so filial, but... it seems visiting isn't the only reason he came here. Why is Manager Wang's manager token in this boy's possession?"

As she said this, she suddenly waved her hand and an invisible suction force appeared, pulling a token Wang Yu Han had in his sleeve over to her. It was the token Manager Wang had given Wang Yu Han before.

The old man surnamed Wang's complexion instantly filled with resentment.

He did not know that Wang Yu Han would act so stupidly, actually daring to use his manager token to impersonate him and order the young woman called Xiao Qing to block a profitable transaction for Joyous Union Pavilion. If he had known this would happen, how could he have so easily handed Wang Yu Han this token?

Manager Wang had not wanted to personally intervene in the matters of his juniors, so he had made an exception and given his grand-nephew some extra authority to handle things himself.

But now that something like this had happened, and it had even alarmed this beautiful middle-aged woman, the situation was not going to end well.

Facing the middle-aged beauty's question, the old man surnamed Wang did not know how to answer and could only remain silent. Manager Lian was a worldly woman, so after a little thought she had a fairly good idea of what was happening, but this only caused her expression to grow colder. Sending a Divine Sense Message to Manager Wang, she scolded, "I don't care what kind of grievance your descendant has with that boy, but allowing an outsider to interfere in Joyous Union Pavilion's business, and even hindering such a high-level transaction, you should know what the consequences of this will be!"

Manager Wang's heart sank as his expression grew even more bitter.

The beautiful middle-aged woman snorted and continued with another Divine Sense Message, "Seeing how everything has already happened, it would be inappropriate for me to continue rebuking you in front of outsiders. The price this boy has offered is not low, so as long as he still wants to take Yue'er away, this deal can still be done! Manager Wang, this time your punishment will be a year's worth of salary, do you have any opinion?"

"I wouldn't dare, I will abide by whatever Manager Lian decides!" The old man surnamed Wang heard this and finally relaxed somewhat.

"Moreover, don't let your descendant ever set foot into Joyous Union Pavilion again, otherwise don't blame this Mistress for being acting impolitely!" The middle-aged beauty issued another warning and received a prompt nod from Manager Wang.

This Divine Sense exchange was naturally not missed by Yang Kai, and although he did not know what exactly these two were discussing, considering the current situation, it seemed things weren't going to be too bad. Seeing that there was still plenty of room to manoeuvre, Yang Kai's expression immediately relaxed.

After a moment, the middle-aged beauty finished dealing with Manager Wang and turned her eyes to Yang Kai, a light smile forming at the corner of her lips, "Boy, although the price you offered was quite attractive, enough to redeem Yue'er, it's still the case that before the deal was completed you tried to force your way out with her and even took action against Xiao Qing. It seems you don't take this Mistress or my noble establishment seriously."

Yang Kai's expression flashed as he broke into a grin and cupped his fists, "Junior's previous actions were indeed reckless, I can only hope that several Seniors will be broadminded. Ms Xiao Qing, I also apologize for raising my hand against you."

With his shrewdness, how could Yang Kai not see that the previous obstruction was all due to Wang Yu Han severely overstepping his authority? The beautiful middle-aged woman was obviously very satisfied with the price he offered, so now the only trouble was how to compensate for the damage Yang Kai had done to Joyous Union Pavilion's face. After all, there were currently many guests who had come here seeking pleasure who had been attracted by this disturbance and were now observing curiously.

If Manager Lian really let him go just like that, her dignity and the dignity of the other managers would be completely lost. The other party needed a way to de-escalate the situation and to preserve face, so Yang Kai was naturally willing to cooperate with them.

Seeing him being so cooperative, the smile on the middle-aged beauty's face became thirty percent brighter, but she still turned her head to look at the young woman named Xiao Qing and asked solemnly, "Xiao Qing, what do you think? No matter what he says, this boy attacked you just now. If you want me to teach him a lesson, just say the word and guarantee he won't feel better."

The young woman glanced over Yang Kai before replying in a low voice, "Although this Young Lord indeed acted against me just now, he did not cause any harm and only slightly restricted my freedom. Manager Lian can decide how to process this matter."

"Good!" The middle-aged beauty nodded in satisfaction, pondered for a while, then turned to Yang Kai, "The transaction you discussed is still valid, but the content of the deal must be modified."

"Modified?" Yang Kai raised his brow.

"En, I won't ask you to pay a greater price, so as to avoid others saying I am using my strength to bully you, and since you are so determined to take Yue'er away with you, obviously you truly love her. So, I won't try to come between such a happy couple, but the items you used as collateral will now become the chips for this transaction. You need not try to redeem them anymore. This will suffice as the penalty for your actions just now. After this deal is completed, Yue'er and my Joyous Union Pavilion will no longer have any involvement with one another, and my Joyous Union Pavilion will not seek trouble with you in the future!" The beautiful woman stared at Yang Kai with a smile. Obviously, the two bottles of Origin Grade pills he had used as collateral were of great interest to her.

"This..." Yang Kai immediately wore an awkward and hesitant expression.

"What? Do you want to disagree?" The beautiful woman's face went cold. "If so, then this deal will be invalidated, Yue'er will remain, and we'll need to have a little chat about the disrespect you've shown my noble establishment."

Yang Kai's face twitched before he put on a forced smile and declared firmly, "Senior must be joking, this Junior is very satisfied with Senior's proposal, how could I dare disagree? Such being the case, everything will be done in accordance with Senior's will, but before that, this Junior has a small another request!"

Seeing Yang Kai really agree, a happy light flashed across the depths of the beautiful woman's eyes, but she still wore a sullen look as she snapped, "Boy, don't reach out for a yard after taking an inch."

"For Senior, this request will only take a slight effort," Yang Kai responded calmly.

"Very well, but let me warn you, if you have some kind of excessive request, you need not open your mouth."

Yang Kai laughed lightly, "This Junior simply wants to request Senior lift the seal on Lady Yue'er."

"If that is all, then I can accommodate you!" The beautiful woman nodded lightly. After all, the seal on Qian Yue's body was planted by her, so how could lifting it be any trouble? "Yue'er, come here!"

Qian Yue looked at Yang Kai subconsciously but upon seeing him nod to her, she slowly walked over to Manager Lian.

Yang Kai stood by and calmly waited.

Strictly speaking, Yang Kai could break a seal a Second-Order Origin Returning Realm created, but it would take him a fair amount of time and energy. Also, while he was breaking this seal, he would need to have some close physical contact with Qian Yue, which would undoubtedly be awkward for both of them. Now that an opportunity to have it lifted had appeared, Yang Kai was naturally going to take advantage of it. Judging from his performance just now, the people from Joyous Union Pavilion probably felt they had won a huge advantage just now so Manager Lian had agreed to this request quite easily.

Lifting the seal did not take long and after just a half cup of tea's time, Qian Yue returned with a happy face. Seeing the questioning look in Yang Kai's eyes, she nodded quickly to indicate that the seal had been completely lifted.

"Good, this matter ends here! Boy, take Yue'er and quickly leave. Be kind to her, if you dare make her do anything dangerous in the future, I will certainly not let you off!" The middle-aged beauty gestured towards the exit.

Yang Kai did not know how much sincerity was behind her last words, but he figured she was just trying to create some goodwill. In any case, a few words did not cost her anything.

Bringing Qian Yue and Chen Fan Lei with him, Yang Kai took his leave.

Wang Yu Han also wanted to go, but under the watchful eyes of Manager Lian, he did not dare to move, only able to turn to his Senior with a pleading look on his face.

Manager Wang was completely furious now, however, and was unable to even protect himself, so how could he have the leisure to care about Wang Yu Han?

After Yang Kai and his group left, the beautiful woman coldly snorted and ordered, "Manager Wang, bring your descendant and come with me. We need to have a thorough discussion of this time's matter."

In front of outsiders, it was inconvenient for her to rip this old man surnamed Wang's face. However, she still needed to hold him accountable.

Manager Wang wore a bitter look but still nodded compliantly, glaring at Wang Yu Han fiercely before following after the middle-aged beauty.

Back at Flying Spirit Palace, Yang Kai and his group quickly returned to the Floating Snow Moon Pavilion.

Along the way, Chen Fan Lei kept looking at Qian Yue curiously. He really wanted to know how Yang Kai and him, who had gone out for a little fun, had wound up actually bringing a woman back. And from what he had heard just now in Joyous Union Pavilion, it seemed that in order to bring back this woman, Yang Kai had paid a huge price.

Was there something special about this woman? Chen Fan Lei was very puzzled.

Yang Kai had no intention of giving him an explanation, and Qian Yue only followed Yang Kai silently, enjoying her newly regained freedom while secretly feeling shocked at Yang Kai's growth and wealth.

When she first met Yang Kai, his cultivation had been several steps lower than her own, but now, he had surpassed her. Moreover, back at Joyous Union Pavilion, he had taken Manager Lian's attack and come out unscathed, so he was undoubtedly among the strongest Saint Kings out there.

As for the price to redeem her, Qian Yue did not even dare to think about it.

Yang Kai had left Tong Xuan Realm and entered the Star Field later than she had, so how did he manage to achieve such astonishing growth in strength and accumulate so much wealth in such a short period of time? Qian Yue felt truly shocked.

As soon as the trio arrived at Floating Snow Moon Pavilion, they saw Chen Shi Tao and Lu Ying chatting on the first floor under Yang Yan's hospitality, but from Yang Yan's stiff expression, it was obvious she wasn't good at handling such matters, so when Yang Kai returned, her eyes lit up and she quickly called out, "You're back? Sister Chen and Sister Lu Ying have been waiting for you for more than an hour here."

"Is something wrong?" Yang Kai asked in surprise.

"It's nothing, it was just that Fan Lei wasn't in his room, so I came here to look for him as it seemed he had come here to see Little Brother Yang a while ago. Oh, who is she?" Chen Shi Tao suddenly saw Qian Yue and asked with a confused expression.



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Facing Chen Shi Tao's enquiry, Yang Kai only vaguely explained that Qian Yue was an old acquaintance. Even if she had her doubts, Chen Shi Tao wasn't silly enough to interrogate him further.

On the other hand, Yang Yan's pair of beautiful eyes stared at Qian Yue thoughtfully.

Chen Shi Tao and the others may not be clear about Yang Kai's origins, but Yang Yan was.

Yang Kai had come from the outside world, and wasn't even a native of Shadowed Star, yet now he had said this woman was actually an old acquaintance. Did that mean that this First-Order Saint King woman also came from the outside world?

Little did she expect that Qian Yue not only came from the outside world but even from the same place as Yang Kai.

After the host and guests were seated, Chen Shi Tao immediately began to ask Chen Fan Lei where he had gone and why he was out so late. Chen Fan Lei's face turned bright red and he immediately turned to Yang Kai for help, really not sure how to explain himself.

He couldn't exactly tell his big sister that while feeling bored tonight, he had decided to come over and invite Yang Kai to a brothel. If he were to really tell the truth, receiving a reprimand would be unavoidable.

Seeing Chen Fan Lei clam up so awkwardly, Chen Shi Tao seemed to guess something and turned to look at Yang Kai with a smile, "Little Brother Yang, where did you and Fan Lei go tonight? And why is there a somewhat obscene scent lingering about you?"

Yang Kai glanced over at Chen Fan Lei, saw him silently begging him not to say anything, and smiled bitterly, "Brother Chen, if none of the twists and turns of tonight had happened, staying silent would be fine, but after such a big commotion, trying to hide things is probably impossible. You should just tell the truth."

Hearing this, Chen Fan Lei's head immediately drooped.

After hesitating for a while, he gritted his teeth and explained what happened tonight.

After hearing that they really had gone to a pleasure house, Chen Shi Tao's pretty face froze over, but once she learned about all the twists and turns her little brother and Yang Kai experienced, as well as how Wang Yu Han had been creating trouble from the shadows she couldn't help feeling startled. After learning about the hidden dangers of the Dual Cultivation Technique of Joyous Union Pavilion from Yang Kai, her beautiful face lost all colour and she hurriedly asked, "Fan Lei, you didn't really..."

Chen Fan Lei waved his hands frantically, "No, no! Thanks to Brother Yang's warning, I only had a little talk about life with that girl, besides that, nothing else happened."

Hearing this, Lu Ying couldn't stop herself from giggling and even Chen Shi Tao, who was still quite annoyed and worried, had a hard time stifling her laughter.

Entering such an establishment and paying a great sum of money yet not actually engaging in the act and instead discussing life with the young woman accompanying him, it was likely only Chen Fan Lei had ever done such a thing. The girl who accompanied Chen Fan Lei was probably completely confused even now.

However, hearing that events had played out like this, Chen Shi Tao was finally able to relax.

After pondering for a while, her beautiful eyes flashed as she said, "So in short, the reason Fan Lei decided to go to that kind of place was that Wang Yu Han's unintentionally mentioned it? And you brought Little Brother Yang along just to give you a bit more courage?"

"I don't know if he had mentioned it unintentionally, but Wang Yu Han arriving at Joyous Union Pavilion in advance and targeting and obstructing me at every turn is definitely true," Yang Kai said lightly.

Chen Shi Tao's face changed slightly as she thought out loud, "Wang Yu Han should have a good understanding of Fan Lei's character, and also know what kind of effect his words would have. It seems that his ultimate goal was Little Brother Yang, while Fan Lei was just a pawn. How hateful, to deal with Little Brother Yang, he didn't even care about ruining Fan Lei's future! What kind of Senior Brother is he? If he had really succeeded, wouldn't Fan Lei have been unable to advance a single step further?"

Wang Yu Han's actions this time had touched Chen Shi Tao's reverse scale, causing her to become livid as a cold light flashed across her eyes.

"Fan Lei, don't have any dealings with him in the future. After returning to Extreme Path Sect, you must also report this matter to your Master."

“Ah, I still have to tell Master about going to Joyous Union Pavilion...” Chen Fan Lei hesitated suddenly.

“Naturally you must explain everything to him! Or what, you don’t want to? If you don’t want to, I’ll come with you to Extreme Path Sect and tell him myself!” Chen Shi Tao narrowed her eyes as she glared at her little brother.

Chen Fan Lei didn’t dare to refuse and could only helplessly nod.

After this incident came to light, even if Wang Yu Han wasn’t expelled from Extreme Path Sect, a heavy punishment would be unavoidable; however, the former was far more likely.

Chen Shi Tao remained angry for a while before suddenly remembering something, shedding her annoyed expression, and bowing to Yang Kai elegantly, “This time it was fortunate Little Brother Yang was around, otherwise, that bastard’s plot might have succeeded. This Young Lady offers her sincerest thanks.”

Yang Kai simply waved his hand and said, “It was likely I who implicated Brother Chen in this matter, it’s not his fault! En, since things have reached this point, there’s nothing more to say about this incident, but I should inform Sister Chen about a certain matter.”

“What matter? Please speak freely Little Brother Yang.”

Yang Kai flipped his hand and suddenly a piece of dried up dead wood appeared on his palm. This piece of wood was completely black and did not have any distinctive smell or aura to it, as if it was just an ordinary piece of dead wood one could find anywhere.

“Does Sister Chen know what this thing is?” Yang Kai asked.

“This is...” Chen Shi Tao frowned as she observed this piece of dead wood hesitantly, as if she recognized it but couldn’t put a name to it.

“Huh, isn’t this Beast Attracting Incense?” Chen Fan Lei called out in surprise.

“It seems that Brother Chen recognizes this, so you should also know where it came from, yes?” Yang Kai looked at him.

“En, I used this kind of thing with Senior Brother Wang before to lure out Monster Beasts that were good at concealing themselves. It is quite useful actually. As long as one burns a small portion of it, it can attract any nearby Monster Beasts. It’s odourless and we cultivators can’t detect any aura from it though,” Chen Fan Lei explained, “It turns out Brother Yang also has this kind of Beast Attracting Incense on him. Oh, it looks like it’s already been burnt slightly, where did Brother Yang obtain it?”

“I picked it up in Grand Burial Valley, next to the Thunder Pond!” Yang Kai smiled slightly.

Chen Fan Lei wore an expression of surprise, but Chen Shi Tao’s eyes flashed a thoughtful light, her expression soon changing to one of shock as she stared at Yang Kai.

“Actually, this thing wasn’t found by me, but by Yang Yan. When she was collecting the Thunder Liquid, she accidentally discovered it. If it wasn’t for Yang Yan having a broad knowledge of strange items, she might have missed it!” Yang Kai handed the Beast Attracting Incense over to Chen Shi Tao before turning

to Chen Fan Lei and asking, "Brother Chen, it's not that I wish to come off overly suspicious and pessimistic, but I have to ask whether your Senior Brother Wang visited that Thunder Pond before?"

"Little Brother Yang's meaning is..." Chen Shi Tao narrowed her eyes sharply.

"Since Sister Chen already understands, why bother asking?" Yang Kai smiled faintly.

Chen Shi Tao gently nodded before turning to her little brother. "Fan Lei, has Wang Yu Han been to that Thunder Pond before?"

"En, he has. A few years ago, he accompanied another Senior Brother there. That Senior Brother also cultivated the same Secret Art as I and at that time wanted to use the Thunder Pond to achieve a breakthrough. It was because of that previous experience that Senior Brother Wang proposed we go there for my breakthrough," Chen Fan Lei scratched his head in confusion, "Why? What's the problem?"

Chen Shi Tao ground her teeth in anger as she muttered in a cold voice, "It seems falling into distress at the Thunder Pond this time was something Wang Yu Han plotted from the beginning."

"It can't be," Chen Fan Lei exclaimed, "Why should Senior Brother Wang do that? If Brother Yang hadn't arrived in time, he would probably have lost his life!"

Chen Shi Tao shook her head, "I don't know the specific situation, but if I were to guess, when Wang Yu Han went to the Thunder Pond a few years ago, he should have discovered that Silver Night Thunder Beast as a peak Eighth-Order Monster Beast. You must have noticed that Silver Night Thunder Beast had only reached the Ninth-Order recently. This was something Wang Yu Han didn't anticipate, which caused us to fall into such a dangerous situation! As for why he did all this..."

"Probably to create a dangerous situation he could take advantage of to play the hero rescuing a beauty and win her heart," Yang Kai chuckled, finishing off what Chen Shi Tao didn't say.

Chen Shi Tao's face turned red before shooting a glare towards Yang Kai, but she didn't try to deny his assertion, obviously agreeing with his guess.

Hearing all this, Chen Fan Lei wore a look of pure shock, murmuring out loud, "How could Senior Brother Wang do this?"

The danger at the Thunder Pond, the incident at Joyous Union Pavilion, all of it had been the result of Wang Yu Han's scheming, something that Chen Fan Lei found difficult to accept for a while.

"Fan Lei, you have too little experience in the real world and aren't able to recognize the true nature of others, so it's understandable you were deceived. However, in the future, you must think more deeply about such matters. This time you were fortunate enough to meet a noble person like Little Brother Yang, but next time, your luck might not be so good," Chen Shi Tao warned her naive little brother sincerely.

Chen Fan Lei nodded subconsciously.

While Chen Shi Tao educated Chen Fan Lei, Yang Kai kept silent. In fact, he had not planned on exposing this Beast Attracting Incense at first; after all, Wang Yu Han taking such actions were simply because he was desperate to pursue this beauty, so it wasn't as if he had malicious intentions.

But what happened tonight had made Yang Kai extremely unhappy, so he wasn't going to be polite with Wang Yu Han anymore.

Yang Kai didn't mind trampling over this petty and narrow-minded man.

With something like this having happened, Chen Shi Tao didn't have the mood to stay any longer, so she took Lu Ying and Chen Fan Lei and left Floating Snow Moon Pavilion to return to their own loft, preparing to thoroughly discipline Chen Fan Lei.

After they left, Yang Kai turned to Qian Yue and said, "Have a rest here for now, it will be two days before we leave."

He then introduced Yang Yan and Qian Yue to each other. After learning that Qian Yue was actually from the same Star as Yang Kai, Yang Yan was also taken aback and became quite curious about the circumstances behind this situation. When facing Chen Shi Tao, Yang Yan's attitude was neither hot nor cold, but when facing Qian Yue, a woman she had just met, she was actually quite friendly and enthusiastically invited her back to her room.

Qian Yue happened to want to ask about Yang Kai's situation as well, so she naturally didn't refuse.

Exhausted from all the unexpected twists and turns he had to deal with tonight, Yang Kai retired to his room alone to rest.

For the next two days, Yang Kai stayed inside the Floating Snow Moon Pavilion, spending his time meditating while, whereas, the relationship between Qian Yue and Yang Yan seemed to become much more harmonious.

It wasn't until mid-day of the third day that one of the maidservants of Flying Spirit Palace came to report that Chen Shi Tao and the others had come to see him. Yang Kai heard this and immediately sent a Divine Sense Message to Qian Yue and Yang Yan, gathering with them before proceeding downstairs.