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Chapter 91: Death Zone? Life Land?

The news of Ye Yuan challenging the Nine Heavens Road caused a stir once again in the academy.

"Hey, did you hear? Ye Yuan wants to take on the Nine Heavens Road!"

"Nine Heavens Road? Is he mad? He's only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm. It's certain death!"

"He's originally a madman! Defying the academy's rules, even killing two fellow disciples in succession, scolding Elder Su an old fart right to his face, and even threatened to take his head within a year. If he isn't crazy, then what is? But this time around, he has no choice but to be mad. If he doesn't challenge the Nine Heavens Road, then he absolutely can't escape death!"

"That's true. But isn't it still death if he charges into the Nine Heavens Road?"

"At least he can seize the initiative in his hands by tackling the Nine Heavens Road. If he doesn't attempt this, he would be placing himself at the mercy of others. If it were me, I would also choose to challenge the Nine Heavens Road."

"I reckon that he still possesses a trace of confidence and thinks he can make it through? If he was given more time to reach the Spirit Condensation Realm, I believe that he can definitely charge through it! But what a pity. Nobody has ever made it through as an Essence Qi Realm."

In the Dan Wu Academy, the Nine Heavens Road was a synonym for death. It had already been a whole three years since anybody challenged it.

Since the establishment of the State of Qin's Dan Wu Academy, which student who challenged the Nine Heavens Road was not an extraordinary genius?

But only a measly five of them made it through!

And these five people were all Spirit Condensation Realm without exception.

Even if Ye Yuan already had the combat power equal to a Spirit Condensation Realm now, nobody thought highly of him.

After all, his real strength was only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm.

And one could not borrow the power of medicinal pills to raise strength while charging through the Nine Heavens Road!

That was to say, Ye Yuan must use the strength of a Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm to take on a death road which made Essence Qi Realms despair!

Essence Qi Realm students who challenged the Nine Heavens Road all died without exception.

The survival rate of Essence Qi Realms on the Nine Heavens Road was . . . zero!

It was the survival rate and not the passing rate!

Hence, Ye Yuan was not challenging it but committing suicide!

It seemed like Ye Yuan had been continuously creating miracles after returning from being poisoned.

But this time, nobody thinks that he could create another miracle again.

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Ye Yuan did not bother with the discussion outside. He adjusted his body condition and took care of Luer without letting her out of his sight.

Ever since Lu-er lost consciousness, she had not woken up.

Ye Yuan also did not have any solution for Lu-er's current condition. He could only use his essence energy to suppress the frost poison in her body.

Nine Yin Absolute Meridian was no joke. Once it erupted, it would be like a volcano exploding; sweeping forth with irresistible force.

If Ye Yuan were still an Alchemy Emperor right now, the Nine Yin Absolute Meridian naturally would not stump him. But his present cultivation was too low.

"Ye Yuan, Miss Lu-er, she . . . could it be that even you don't have any ideas to save her?"

Seeing the normally adorable and obedient Lu-er end up like this, Feng Ruoqing felt all sorts of emotions.

Feng Zhirou by the side was also unexpectedly quiet today and did not quarrel with Ye Yuan blindly.

Ye Yuan sighed and said, "Unless my master was here, otherwise . . . Sigh. With Lu-er's current condition, I can only help her sustain her life for half a year at best. After half a year, the frost poison will thoroughly erupt, and I won't be able to control it anymore."

"That Zhang Heng really deserved to die! If it were me, I would definitely have diced him into pieces!" Feng Zhirou gnashed her teeth bitterly.

Feng Zhirou did not feel the slightest bit of pity towards someone like Zhang Heng.

Feng Ruoqing's eyes, on the other hand, lit up. "You really have a powerful master! Where is he? Why not invite him here? As long as he comes, not only can he treat Lu-er, even your problems would go away as well!"

Ye Yuan purposely said that he had a master because he was afraid that Feng Ruoqing and co would let their imaginations run wild.

Feng Ruoqing was extremely intelligent. He was already facing imminent death, and his master did not show up, which unavoidably set off some ideas.

In reality, Ye Yuan had long seen through Feng Ruoqing who wanted to ask but kept holding back her tongue. Which was why he said this.

However, where would his powerful master come from?

Ye Yuan gave a bitter laugh. "Master is truly powerful, but he's somebody who can't sit still. After imparting all his knowledge, he left to travel the world. I also don't know where he is now."

Hearing Ye Yuan said this, Feng Ruoqing was greatly disappointed.

Somebody who could raise a monster like Ye Yuan must surely be an extremely powerful figure. He might even be an Alchemy King or even an Alchemy Sovereign from the legends!

If he was present, how would Su Yubai dare to be unbridled?

"But, the Nine Heavens Road is a death zone for Essence Qi Realms. Isn't it equivalent to going to die if you enter the Nine Heavens Road?"

Even though Feng Ruoqing and Huyan Yong had been convinced by Ye Yuan, they still did not think well of Ye Yuan.

It's not just them. Nobody in the entire Dan Wu Academy had high hopes of Ye Yuan!

"That's right. Back then when Mo Yuntian entered, it was almost certain death. You're only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm! Why don't you take Lu-er and run?" Feng Zhirou also joined in from the side.

Ye Yuan shook his head and said, "You think Su Yubai is a moron? How could he give me the chance to escape? I'm afraid that he already has people stationed at every single route out of the academy. As for my residence, there are definitely many people keeping an eye on it. As long as I step out of this house, all my movements will be within his grasp."

"This . . . "

"Alright, thanks for your concern. I know what I'm doing. Even though it's not 100%, I have at least 30% confidence that I can pass through the Nine Heavens Road!" Ye Yuan said confidently.

"What? You have 30% confidence? Are you joking? The Nine Heavens Road is a death zone for Essence Qi Realm! You actually say that you have 30% confidence? Are you trying to use these words to dismiss us?" Feng Zhirou cried out.

Although Feng Ruoqing did not say anything, looking at her expression, she obviously did not buy it either.

The Nine Heavens Road was certain death for Essence Qi Realms, and Ye Yuan actually said that he had 30% confidence. This could not be regarded as anything but reassuring words.

" Haha. You can choose not to believe me, but you can't not believe my master. Master's might surpasses your imaginations, so you should also have faith in me," Ye Yuan laughed and said.

In reality, Ye Yuan's confidence level was way beyond 50%. He was just scared that it would be too insanely startling, which was why he chose to not be explicit.

The reason why Ye Yuan dared to challenge the Nine Heavens Road was that he got to understand from Huyan Yong that this Nine Heavens Road was an enormous array formation!

It was not going to be easy for a puny little Nine Heavens Road to try and kill him with his attainments in Array Dao.

If not for Ye Yuan's cultivation being too low, breaking this array would not be much different than playing house with children.

Of course, Ye Yuan was not entirely certain as well. Some array formations have incredibly powerful might, which is not something he could withstand at his current cultivation realm.

As for the specifics, it would have to wait until entering the Nine Heavens Road before knowing them.

Seeing Ye Yuan so self-assured, Feng Ruoqing and Feng Zhirou did not know why either, but they gained more confidence out of nowhere.

Perhaps Ye Yuan could really create another miracle again?

Chapter 92: I'm Inferior to Him

Three days later, at the foot of the Nine Heavens Peak.

Students swarmed so heavily around the area that even water could not flow through.

Challenging the Nine Heavens Road was something rarely seen throughout the years. Naturally, they did not wish to miss out on this grand occasion.

The entire Dan Wu Academy was virtually a ghost town as everyone wanted to come and join in the fun.

If not for the foreshadowing from earlier events, there might not be such a huge occasion today.

A Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm challenging the Nine Heavens Road was just seeking death. What was there to watch?

Nonetheless, the incident that Ye Yuan caused earlier gave rise to much debate, and practically everyone knew about it in the academy already. Now, everyone knew that the degree of Ye Yuan's genius had surpassed their imagination. Could he create another miracle?

Even though nobody believed it from the bottom of their heart, there was still this faint trace of anticipation!

On another mountain facing the Nine Heavens Peak, there was a pavilion.

This was the ideal spot to watch the Nine Heavens Road!

Several people sat around a table in the pavilion. They were precisely Su Yubai and several elders.

Many people were crowding around outside the pavilion. Aside from the academy's instructors, they were mainly genius students on the Martial and Alchemy Rolls of Honor. Their status was naturally different from ordinary students.

Long Tang, Zuo Bugui, Su Yishan, and others shockingly were there too.

"Hey, Old Long. Why don't we negotiate a bit? How about you return that Sharp Horned Beast inner core to me? That matter previously was just a joke, no need to take it seriously right?"

Zuo Bugui pestered Long Tang incessantly, wanting to take back the Sharp Horned Beast inner core that he lost the previous time.

Long Tang did not even look at him and minded his own business as he rested with closed eyes, patiently waiting for Ye Yuan's arrival.

"I say, why are you so unreasonable? You're already so powerful; what do you need an inner core for? It's better if you return it to me!"

"Old Long, say something!"

"Ye Yuan's here!"

Long Tang's eyelids quivered, but he quickly recovered his composure.

"Stop pretending alright? We don't talk about that; let's talk about Ye Yuan. Do you think he has a chance of making it through?"

"Don't know."

Zuo Bugui was utterly amazed when he heard that. Because Long Tang's reply was "don't know," instead of "can't make it."

Long Tang actually had such confidence in Ye Yuan?

Even though he and Long Tang had conflicting opinions previously, the result proved that Long Tang was right. But this time around, Zuo Bugui did not think well of Ye Yuan at all.

Nine Heavens Road. Even Long Tang did not dare to try it!

Although Long Tang thought highly of himself, he was aware that he did not reach that sort of monstrous degree like Mo Yuntian after examining himself.

Even Mo Yuntian nearly died before charging through it. How could he make it through?

"You mean that he might make it? How's that possible?"

"Didn't you say that he couldn't kill Lin Tiancheng before? And the result?"

"Oh please. This and that aren't the same things, okay? Even a hundred Lin Tianchengs together can't make it past the Nine Heavens Road!"

"A hundred Lin Tianchengs added up is also not as monstrous as Ye Yuan!"

". . ."

Zuo Bugui had no words to retort with because what Long Tang said was true.

Zuo Bugui suddenly discovered that Long Tang who had always been arrogant actually had signs of acknowledging his inferiority to Ye Yuan.

Long Tang was an existence that all the students looked up to in the academy. He had always overlooked all, including him, Zuo Bugui.

Yet, this existence actually lifted his gaze now, and looked at another student at eye-level, even looking up!

This was simply inconceivable!

"Old Long, this isn't like you!" Zuo Bugui suddenly felt like a fox mourning the death of a rabbit and said earnestly.

Long Tang did not react heavily to it, and only said coolly, "Did you forget the phrase that has been passed down in the academy? Geniuses were meant to be surpassed!"

Long Tang sucked in deeply, and he slowly said, "I . . . I'm inferior to him."

"Sigh. Even though I don't want to admit it, but what you said is the truth." Zuo Bugui also gave a long sigh.

"However, most likely he doesn't have the chance to surpass you and me anymore! He can't make it past the Nine Heavens Road!" Zuo Bugui suddenly added.

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This time around, Long Tang did not retort. Truthfully speaking, he did not have much confidence as well.

A survival rate of zero!

This number was as difficult to surmount as a massive mountain. Could Ye Yuan make it across?

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"Humph! This Ye Yuan is putting on airs to actually make so many people wait for him!" Su Yubai was a little impatient and grumbled.

"Yeah. Indeed, a brat who doesn't know the rules. He deserves to be killed!" another elder said in agreement.

Looks like he had already become Su Yubai's lackey.

Hu Changsheng on the other hand smiled and said, "Nine Heavens Road isn't a joke. He naturally has to make meticulous preparations."

"What's there to prepare? Don't tell me that he, an Essence Qi Realm, can make it through? He has to die anyway, yet he's delaying so many people's time. Simply outrageous!" That elder was very displeased. It was clear that he was already tired of waiting.

When he said this, nobody refuted it.

Preparations indeed did not hold much meaning for Ye Yuan.

The way they saw it, Ye Yuan just chose to end it himself, instead of letting them sentenced him to death. But the result was the same.

As for whether Ye Yuan could survive, nobody had ever believed that.

Those students down there have only heard hearsay about the horrors of the Nine Heavens Peak. But these elders and instructors had seen fresh waves of students filling in the gaps as they fell in the Nine Heavens Peak over many years.

Even when many of them were still students, the peak talents of their generation had challenged the Nine Heavens Road. But nobody succeeded.

As for the five who made it, they are already existences that they could only look up to now.

No one doubted that Ye Yuan had the potential to pass through the Nine Heavens Road. But that was just potential. Ye Yuan was only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm. He had not even stepped into the last minor stage of the Essence Qi Realm, so how could he pass?

Who among those Essence Qi Realm students that dared to challenge the Nine Heavens Peak before were not peerless geniuses?

And those Essence Qi Realm students who went to challenge the Nine Heavens Peak, who among them were not at the Ninth Level Essence Qi Realm or even the peak of the Essence Qi Realm?

All of them died. Could Ye Yuan make it?

The answer was obvious that he could not!

Right then, the crowd at the foot of the mountain stirred.

Ye Yuan came!

Behind Ye Yuan trailed the two girls, Feng Ruoqing and Feng Zhirou, as well as a black-faced Huyan Yong.

Everyone directly ignored Huyan Yong and stared at the Feng Family aunt and niece behind Ye Yuan with absolute envy.

Who did not want this sort of treatment!

With these two girls escorting the road, they would even willingly die!

Ye Yuan naturally was not pretending to be some big-shot coming late on purpose. He had to settle Luer down properly.

Early morning, Ye Yuan transmitted essence energy once more to help Lu-er suppress the frost poison. After adjusting for some time, he let Feng Ruoqing arrange for someone to take good care of Lu-er before he could set his mind at ease and come to the Nine Heavens Peak. So naturally, he was a little late.

Gazing into the distance, a road of green pebbles led straight up past the clouds, all the way to the Nine Heavens Peak.

What looked like the road leading to the land of the immortals, was actually the forbidden land for martial artists.

"Such superlative craftsmanship! Looks like I can't look down on the experts of this world. This Nine Heavens Road isn't simple!" Ye Yuan secretly gave his appraisal.

Now that Ye Yuan arrived, the crowd automatically gave a wide berth.

In front of the Nine Heavens Road, a stone tablet was erected there. On it, wrote a line of words.

A martial artist blocked Ye Yuan. "Before entering the Nine Heavens Road, swear a Heavenly Dao Oath according to the stone tablet first!"

Chapter 93: Strong Gale

"I swear upon the Heavenly Dao, once I step unto the Nine Heavens Road, life and death are left to fate. If I succeed in making it through, I will not reveal any information about the Nine Heavens Road. Otherwise, may Heaven strike me dead!"

Ye Yuan swore once according to the words on the stone tablet and slightly felt his divine soul quiver.

Ye Yuan knew that this was the feeling when one's divine soul signed a pledge with the Heavenly Dao.

In the future, if he goes against this oath, the Heavenly Dao will make heavenly punishment descend, destroying his body and soul.

"Now, can I enter?"

The guard stepped aside to allow Ye Yuan passage.

Ye Yuan turned back to Feng Ruoqing and co, and he said, "Help me take good care of Lu-er. I'll be back soon."

Finishing, Ye Yuan walked past the guard and stepped onto the Nine Heavens Road.

Stepping onto the first step, the scenery suddenly transformed.

The initially narrow Nine Heavens Road suddenly became a boundless horizon.

Ye Yuan turned around. The road he came from already disappeared, and what replaced it was still endless steps.

The entire strip of Nine Heavens Road had transformed into another world. A world constituted of countless green stone steps.

"Indeed a little interesting! Looks like every man has his edge. Even though the Lower Realms' martial prowess cannot compare to the Divine Realm, they still have undergone countless eons of development and derivation. They are many things aren't present in the Divine Realm. This Nine Heavens Road became an independent world. Looks like the person who set the array already had considerable accomplishments, and this array formation is a unique school of thought. 1 It's a different style from the Divine Realm. Tranquil Cloud Sect can't be underestimated!" Ye Yuan gasped in admiration.

This entire array formation was integrated into a harmonious reality. There were countless illusion arrays and killing arrays mixed into it. Even though its power was inferior to the Divine Realm's arrays, the complexity of this did not pale in the slightest.

"No wonder this Nine Heavens Road is so hard to pass through. If these illusion arrays and killing arrays were activated at full power, killing Crystal Formation Realm martial artists would be like chopping vegetables!" Ye Yuan exclaimed in admiration once more.

"Well, there's not much hope of breaking the array. My strength now is really too poor. Let me test out this Nine Heavens Road's array formations' power!"

After he said this, Ye Yuan strode out with a large step.

The step forward seemed to have activated the arrays. Countless strong gales howled towards Ye Yuan.

These gales were abnormally piercing-cold as if it could annihilate all life on earth. But this world only had Ye Yuan alone, so naturally, he was the target.

"The concept of wind? Looks like this Nine Heavens Road was constructed to help students train. Much thought and care had been expended on this. Except, using this sort training method seems a bit too cruel."

As Ye Yuan sighed admirably, he moved along with the wind. The strong violent gale was actually unable to cause any harm to Ye Yuan whatsoever!

These strong gales were man-made through the creator of the array formations integrating his own understanding of the concept of wind inside it!

After sensing the concept of wind amidst the powerful gales, Ye Yuan knew the intention of the creator of this array. He hoped to let students comprehend the concept of wind inside through these gales.

However, how many people could comprehend the concept of wind at the Essence Qi Realm or the Spirit Condensation Realm?

The way the other students saw it, these powerful gusts existed to hurt people, instead of helping them to understand some profound concept.

If it were another student tackling the Nine Heavens Road, this Strong Gale round would most likely have already exhausted a great deal of essence energy.

They were unable to be so at ease like Ye Yuan. They have to activate their essence energy shields in order to withstand the power of these gales.

Otherwise, these strong gales would be like blades, slicing their body into pieces.

Even Spirit Condensation Realm students would have exhausted enormous amounts of essence energy after making it past this round; let alone those of Essence Qi Realms.

If Essence Qi Realm students used essence energy protection to withstand this round, they would directly lose 30% - 40%, and this was only the first round!

Under this sort of expenditure, if Essence Qi Realms did not die, where could they flee to?

In contrast, Ye Yuan did not even use his essence energy for protection. He simply swayed his body along with the wind force, and the gale wind blades floated past his body easily.

These gales were just like a giant wind blade technique, cutting wantonly in this space; omnidirectional and with no blind angles.

If students did not open their essence energy protection after coming in here, the consequences would be very severe.

As to why Ye Yuan did not use essence energy protection, it was because his comprehension towards the concept of wind was way above these gales.

The concept of wind encompassed within these gale winds, to Ye Yuan, was like a toddler learning how to walk. Wanting to hurt him was naturally hardly possible.

Not to mention that Ye Yuan's Falling Flower Floating Zero Sword technique already encompassed an exceedingly profound concept of wind within.

Except, Ye Yuan's Essence Qi Realm cultivation realm was too low and unable to unleash the true might of the concept of wind; that's all.

Following the increase of his cultivation, the power of the Falling Flower Floating Zero Sword would also become increasingly stronger.

Although Ye Yuan was only at the Essence Qi Realm currently, it was still more than sufficient to evade the attacks of these gale winds.

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Ye Yuan could not see the landscape outside, but the people outside could see Ye Yuan's situation.

To be more precise, they could not see what was happening inside the illusionary world, but they were able to clearly see what Ye Yuan was doing right now.

There were a total of 999 stone steps on the Nine Heavens Road. Right now, Ye Yuan had already walked across more than 20 steps.

It was just that from the perspective of a bystander, Ye Yuan's condition did not seem to be too good.

"What's Ye Yuan doing? He's dangling and swaying about like he's drunk."

"Don't know. Is he being mesmerized by an illusion world?"

"I think so! Look at him swaying around non-stop. Who tackles the Nine Heavens Road like that?"

"En. I heard from some senior apprentice brothers that in the past when those people challenged the Nine Heavens Road, they opened up their essence energy protection right away as if there was something terrifying. But you look at Ye Yuan. He didn't even open anything, but rather, it's like he's drunk. Why is he totally different from how others challenging the Nine Heavens Road?"

"Yeah. According to the seniors' speculations, the first 333 steps of the Nine Heavens Road might be some external force test which is extremely taxing on essence energy. Those who could walk past 333 steps would be completely fatigued. But why is Ye Yuan's perfectly fine? Could it be that what he encountered was different from the seniors?"

"This Ye Yuan is really a wonder. Whatever he does is different from the rest. It's just that if he does this, would he lose his mind within the first 333 steps?"

"I think there's really that possibility!"

"Eh? Look! Ye Yuan seems to have recovered!"

That person fixed his eyes to take a look, and Ye Yuan was indeed no longer behaving like he was drunk. He continued walking up steadily.

One look and onlookers could tell that Ye Yuan should have passed through the first barrier.

"This . . . the first round is completed so effortlessly?" Huyan Yong stared dazedly at Ye Yuan's figure with a dumbfounded face.

As an instructor in the academy, he knew much more things than the rest of the students! These things were summed up using the experience from students' fresh blood.

The first 333 steps on the Nine Heavens Road, and every 33 steps was a minor barrier.

Although it was unknown what exactly these minor barriers were, regardless of who charged through these minor barriers, it would not be this effortless!

What's more, some Essence Qi Realm students were directly annihilated at the first minor barrier!

But Ye Yuan managed to pass through it just by swaying around like that the entire way!

Chapter 94: Crushing All Resistance

"Nine Heavens Road, 999 steps. He only crossed 33 steps by luck, the first minor barrier. Each and every one of them is behaving like he already cleared it!"

Su Yubai snorted coldly. Evidently, he was very displeased by everyone's astonishment.

The way he saw it, Ye Yuan only passed the first barrier by luck!

Furthermore, passing the first barrier did not signify anything. Many Essence Qi Realms were able to cross it.

The true terror of the Nine Heavens Road was in the last 333 steps!

"Yeah. One look and you can tell that this Ye Yuan is a slippery punk. He probably excels in exploiting gaps. Most likely he took advantage of some loophole. That's why it was so easy for him." Another elder chimed in.

"Mm. No matter what you say, the Nine Heavens Road is a death zone for Essence Qi Realm. That is the truth that nobody can alter! Looking at the past, the highest record for Essence Qi Realm was at the middle 333 steps. Even if Ye Yuan's incredibly heaven-defying, his limit will at most be at the last 333 steps." Zhang Songtao also agreed.

Unlike the other elders, Ye Yuan's performance gave Huyan Yong and Feng Ruoqing more confidence.

"The most terrifying aspect of these first 333 steps is the exhaustion of essence energy! Spirit Condensation Realms are a little better, but it's very difficult for an Essence Qi Realm's essence energy to sustain till the end. Even if they are lucky enough to bear through it, the middle 333 steps will only get more terrifying than the front part. In the end, they still die. But Ye Yuan didn't even use essence energy protection in the first round. He basically didn't expend much essence energy at all," Huyan Yong said agitatedly.

Ye Yuan can really bring people limitless surprises. Perhaps . . . he might really make it? Feng Ruoqing muttered to herself.

"Tch. That fellow is smelly and hard. It's better if he's dead!" Feng Zhirou recovered her fierce and unreasonable nature.

Feng Ruoqing smiled and said, "If he dies, you can forget about breaking through to the Crystal Formation Realm in this lifetime."

". . . Who cares!" Feng Ruoqing remained stubborn, but her eyes kept following Ye Yuan on the steps.

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The Strong Gale round did not pose much difficulty to Ye Yuan. The instant he crossed the 33rd step and landed on the 34th step, the scenario suddenly transformed once again, becoming a stretch of fiery sea.

The concept of fire!

This was a flame road!

The scorching flames roasted Ye Yuan until he was about to combust, but a cold smile flashed across the corner of Ye Yuan's mouth.

"I wonder what the Spirit Bristle Divine King will feel if he knew that someone was playing with fire in front of his cultivation law!"

Saying this, Ye Yuan revolved the Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art not to activate essence energy protection, but to completely release his aura to let his essence energy erupt out!

Then Ye Yuan made his strides and steadily went up. Where he passed by, the flames automatically retreated!

Playing with the concept of fire in front of the Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art was simply a joke!

The Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art was the supreme fire attribute cultivation law in the Divine Realm. It had virtually reached the limits of the concept of fire!

Back then, the Spirit Bristle Divine King relied on the Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art's ultimate technique, Nine Suns Burning Heaven, and became renown in a single battle! He used the Nine Suns Burning Heaven during that battle, and he directly burnt the numerous Divine Kings attacking him into nothingness. Since then, nobody dared to provoke him.

Even though Ye Yuan's current power was still shallow, it was still not something that a Lower Realm mortal flame could compare to.

This was like a young, juvenile dragon. No matter how little he was, he would still be the king of all beasts. All laid dormant where he passed!

Ye Yuan continued forward steadily as the flames around him automatically gave him a wide berth.

Just like that, Ye Yuan passed through the second round, Flame Sea, with unbelievable speed.

Ye Yuan had to waste around an incense of time to avoid the strong gales in order to pass the first round.

As for this second round, Ye Yuan passed it in a blink of an eye.

Third round, Arctic World!

This was a world of ice and snow, and it was extremely cold.

Yet, this sort of cold seemed to be unable to pose any form of threat in front of Ye Yuan's Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art.

Ye Yuan immediately cleared it once again!

In a blink of an eye, Ye Yuan crossed 99 steps!

Next was the fourth round, Gravity World. Fifth round, Thick Earth World. Sixth round, Water World . . . All the way until the tenth world, Ye Yuan came all the way here unimpeded.

Ye Yuan's realm was much higher than the creator of these arrays. These barriers were simply unable to cause any great difficulty for him. He did not even expend much essence energy.

"I wonder who from the Tranquil Cloud Sect created these arrays. They actually integrated metal, wood, water, fire, and earth; these concepts of five elements as well as the other five types of concepts derived from them. Truly a genius! I wonder what happened to this person afterward. Did he ascend to the Divine Realm? I've never heard of such an array formations genius before in the Divine Realm. Could it be that he had long fallen?" Ye Yuan was overcome with emotion.

The world of martial artists was filled with countless dangers. Aside from the dangers on the road of cultivation, what was even scarier was the human heart.

Since ancient times, regardless of whether it was the Divine Realm or the Lower Realms, geniuses were as abundant as the hair on an ox. However, only a remarkable handful was able to truly mature.

Which of the figures standing at the pinnacle of the Divine Realm did not tread over countless corpses of geniuses to attain their current position?

Even a peerless genius like Qingyun Zi plummeted after being harmed while in the process of maturing; let alone the others.

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Ye Yuan's speed of clearing the rounds caused a huge uproar in the outside world!

He was too fast!

From the first step to crossing the first 333 steps, Ye Yuan spent less than two hours. This was simply too harrowing!

One student rubbed his eyes and asked in disbelief, "Do I have something wrong with my eyes? Since when did this Nine Heavens Road become so easy to pass?"

"Does your brain have holes? Why don't you try it, if it is easy to cross! I think you won't even know how you die!"

"But Ye Yuan is only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm. How could he possibly be this fast?"

"I heard that this Nine Heavens Road is not a place that tests strength solely. What the test placed emphasis on, is potential! Looking from that perspective, this Ye Yuan's talent is truly so monstrous that it's inconceivable! But I don't know if he can cross the later 666 steps or not."

"Maybe he can really cross it?"

The two exchanged glances. They were both frightened by this thought!

Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm passing the Nine Heavens Road?

This was impossible! Absolutely impossible! The Nine Heavens Road was a forbidden ground for Essence Qi Realm martial artists!

They did not know why either, but once this thought arose, it was like a seed, buried at the bottom of their hearts. It grew roots and sprouted, and it could no longer be stopped!

On the other hand, when Ye Yuan passed the first 333 steps, Su Yubai jumped to his feet. He looked at Ye Yuan who was halfway up the mountain similarly with incredulity.

One could not blame him for being so shocked. Ye Yuan's speed in passing the rounds was too quick!

He crushed all resistance along the way without any delay!

There were only that few students who passed through the Nine Heavens Road. Their performance was not kept a secret. As the Disciplinary Hall's First Elder, Su Yubai was naturally very clear on that!

However, nobody among those who challenged the road had Ye Yuan's crossing speed, including those Spirit Condensation Realm students who passed!

Even the Mo Yuntian who was brimming with talent spent an entire day to pass the first 333 steps!

But Ye Yuan only took two hours!

Doesn't that mean that the degree of Ye Yuan's genius was several times, even tens of times that of Mo Yuntian's?

Su Yubai did not dare nor was he willing to believe this thought!

Chapter 95: Long Tang's Transformation

"Huuu . . . I really don't know what to say about this Ye Yuan. Other people are filled with fear and trepidation before challenging the Nine Heavens Road, and he cleared it so effortlessly. Is there nothing that can stump him?"

Zuo Bugui looked at Ye Yuan halfway up the mountain and was likewise completely stunned.

The shocks that Ye Yuan brought him these few days was simply too many.

Jumping ranks and killing Fei Qingping. Consecutively breaking through five realms within a month. Becoming an Alchemy Master with a Fourth Level Essence Qi Realm cultivation. Leaping across a major realm to kill Lin Tiancheng. Each one of these matters, when placed on a single individual, was an impossible task.

But Ye Yuan did them all!

Now, was Ye Yuan going to clear the Nine Heavens Road, which no Essence Qi Realm had ever passed through before? This was also simply inconceivable!

Even if he could not clear it, just based on his speed in the first 333 steps, it was sufficient to look down on all genius students!

"Yeah. There's really nothing that he can't do, and nothing that he doesn't dare to do. Compared to him, we're all self-boasting geniuses. Such a joke!" A deep shock was also plastered all over Long Tang's face.

"Old Long, I've never denied that I'm a genius. At least that's the case within the territory of the State of Qin. However, the degree of Ye Yuan's genius has already vastly exceeded the domain of genius." Zuo Bugui sighed in admiration.

All this while, only Long Tang could steadily suppress Zuo Bugui's arrogance. But now, his arrogance was shattered by Ye Yuan's performance.

The dazed look in Long Tang's gaze vanished, and what replaced it was incomparable determination!

He shook his head and said, "I'm not talking about his talent, but his heart of a powerhouse! Compared to Ye Yuan, what we lack the most is still the heart of a powerhouse! What a joke. I, Long Tang, have always prided myself on being able to look down on all experts. But in reality, I'm just a coward! Ye Yuan, thank you!"

Zuo Bugui was somewhat confounded by Long Tang's words. However, he could clearly sense some sort of transformation taking place in Long Tang's body.

Like the feeling of . . . enlightenment!

"What are you talking about, Old Long? Heart of a powerhouse? Even though we aren't as monstrous as Ye Yuan, our desire to become strong has never changed all this while right?" Zuo Bugui asked in puzzlement.

Long Tang did not look at Zuo Bugui but stared at Ye Yuan who was halfway up and gave a confusing answer. "Powerhouse? A true powerhouse is not about how strong his strength is but how powerful his inner heart is! Zuo Bugui, after this matter is settled, I'll also challenge the Nine Heavens Road!"

"What?! You want to challenge the Nine Heavens Road? Are you tired of living?" Zuo Bugui jumped in fright as he exclaimed.

However, Long Tang just smiled lightly as if he had seen past life and death. "If I can't even pass through a tiny Nine Heavens Road in the State of Qin, how can I talk about becoming a powerhouse? What qualifications would I have to look down upon this Endless World and ascend to the Divine Realm?"

This place Ye Yuan reincarnated in was called the Endless World.

Endless World was named after the Endless Forest. Because it was truly endless and limitless, separating the Endless World into the North and South domain.

"Mad! Completely mad! No matter how powerful you are, Old Long, are you more powerful than Mo Yuntian? You will die if you attempt the Nine Heavens Road! What will you have to look down on the Endless World if you lose your life?" Zuo Bugui was ruffled.

Ye Yuan was a madman, and now, even the rank one on the Martial Roll of Honor, Long Tang, also went crazy along with him! Just what was happening to this world?

Long Tang, on the other hand, was unmoved. Incomparable resolve could be seen in his eyes.

"Why should martial artists regret death? How can one talk about becoming a powerhouse without the realization of going to die?" Long Tang said casually.

"But even when martial artists die, they have to die with significance! What's the point if you challenge the Nine Heavens Road just to die?"

Zuo Bugui was still unable to figure it out. The way he saw it, the Nine Heavens Road was just a large scale array. Dying inside the array was something utterly meaningless.

"What kind of death holds meaning? Only now do I understand that victory and defeat lie in one thought. Strong and weak . . . also lies in a single thought! Zuo Bugui, you and I are ultimately not from the same world." Long Tang finally looked at Zuo Bugui. The expression in his eyes was something which he had never seen before.

Zuo Bugui was rank two on the Martial Roll. Apart from Long Tang, he was invincible in the academy. Even Feng Zhirou could not defeat him.

Even when facing Long Tang, the disparity with Zuo Bugui was actually not that large.

But now, Long Tang actually said that they were not from the same world? How could Zuo Bugui feel comfortable?

"What you meant is that you and Ye Yuan are people from the same world? Aren't your words too conceited, Old Long?" Zuo Bugui kept away that trademark cynical smile and said somewhat unhappily.

However, Long Tang shook his head and said, "Ye Yuan . . . I'm afraid I have no opportunity to catch up to him in this lifetime. He and I . . . are also from entirely different worlds."

After saying that, Long Tang kept silent and simply watched Ye Yuan halfway up patiently.

Zuo Bugui also fell silent and started to muse.

He felt that some sort of transformation had taken place in Long Tang's body. It was just that he could not understand what this transformation was even after cracking his head open trying to figure it out.

Except . . . could this transformation separate both of them into two different worlds? How was that possible?

Just because Long Tang was going to challenge the Nine Heavens Road?

Why don't I also try taking on the Nine Heavens Road?

Zuo Bugui swiftly rejected this idea. He was indeed strong, but he did not even have 10% confidence for him to challenge the Nine Heavens Road successfully. It was indeed almost certain death!

Although Long Tang was stronger than him, he was not that much stronger. That was to say even if he went, it would be virtually certain death!

Just what did this fellow come to realize?

Such a low survival rate and he still dared to try it? Wasn't this courting death?

Yes. Long Tang had truly been enlightened!

He saw what was called the heart of a powerhouse from Ye Yuan.

Ye Yuan's chances were actually not that great when he challenged Lin Tiancheng. But he went to do it.

Ye Yuan's chances were even much lower than imagined when he went to take on the Nine Heavens Road. But he did it anyway.

Even though he clearly understood that killing fellow disciples would result in the death penalty, Ye Yuan still did it without looking back.

Even though he was clear that the Nine Heavens Road was certain death, he still did it without hesitation.

Breaking the rules, challenging oneself, and surpassing oneself.

This was the heart of a powerhouse!

For a martial artist to cultivate was originally already going against the heavens. Without the consciousness of death, how could one sense the unparalleled Heavenly Dao and reach the paramount Deity Realm?

Why should we rejoice over life, and why should we be bitter about death?

The road of a powerhouse was filled densely with thorns. Even if one did not go and challenge the Nine Heavens Road, there might still be an Eight Heavens Road, Ten Heavens Road.

A person could hide for a moment, but could he hide for a lifetime?

Only by braving forward could one trample all these ups and downs underfoot. Only by continually surpassing oneself could there be a possibility to truly look down on all life under the heavens!

Pursuing good fortune and avoiding disasters were the primal instinct of men. But if martial artists did not sever these instincts, how could they talk about being an expert?

Long Tang could see from Zuo Bugui's eyes that he simply did not dare to give birth to the thought of challenging the Nine Heavens Road. Hence, he said that they were not from the same world.

Long Tang was destined to walk out of the State of Qin; a person who would walk unparalleled throughout the entire Endless World.

But Zuo Bugui was only an expert in the State of Qin. Even if he forced himself to the limits, he would only be an expert in the Tranquil Cloud Sect.

Chapter 96: Illusionary Realm

Everybody was focused on Ye Yuan, so naturally, no one noticed the transformation which suddenly took place in Long Tang's body. Except for Zuo Bugui.

But even Zuo Bugui could not imagine just what kind of change Long Tang's transformation brought him.

It was until many years later, Zuo Bugui then heard that Long Tang's martial prowess broke the void, and he ascended to the Divine Realm with the status of the strongest expert in the Endless World. At that time, he finally understood what these words meant back during the days of the State of Qin.

Of course, this was all later on in the future.

Just as Long Tang was conversing with Zuo Bugui, another commotion sprung out from the crowd again.

"Quickly look! Ye Yuan stopped advancing!"

"Yeah. He stopped at the 338th step. It's only been five steps!"

"He scared me to death! I thought that he would continue forth with an indomitable force."

"Are you dumb? This is the Nine Heavens Road, hailed as the death zone for all Essence Qi Realms. How could he possibly continue forth without any resistance? The true difficulty of the Nine Heavens Road starts from the middle 333 steps stage. The vast majority of those Essence Qi Realms who came to challenge the Nine Heavens Road fell at this juncture! How could Ye Yuan possibly fall to the first stage with how monstrous he is?"

"So that's the case! His crossing speed just now was too frightening. It quickly swept me up. Hur hur. Then do you think Ye Yuan can make it through?"

"Absolutely not! If Ye Yuan were at half-step Spirit Condensation Realm, I would feel that he might make it through. But he's only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm! The scariest part of the Nine Heavens Road is still the final 333 steps!"

Just as Ye Yuan landed on the fifth step of the second stage on the Nine Heavens Road, his fierce momentum finally halted.

This action naturally drew everyone's attention. The crowd started clamoring.

The people who were initially stunned by Ye Yuan's advancing momentum suddenly came to a realization at this moment.

This was the death zone for all Essence Qi Realms, Nine Heavens Road! How could it be possible to pass through it smoothly without problems?

When Su Yubai saw this scene, his initial shock turned into wild ecstasy.

"I've long said that he can't possibly pass through! A tiny little Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm dares to tackle the Nine Heavens Road? Conceited! Seeking his own destruction!"

Even though he was filled with wild joy, Su Yubai obviously would not be stupid enough to show it on his face. However, he did not hold back his words at all.

Everybody knew that he wanted to eliminate Ye Yuan anyway, so he naturally had no need to pretend to be some hypocritical good person.

"What Elder Su said is right. This Ye Yuan would rather challenge the Nine Heavens Road than come to the elder's meeting. This is slighting us all! Such an impertinent brat! The way I see it, there's nothing to regret over his death!" an elder echoed.

"Elder Lin's words are unreasonable. Challenging the Nine Heavens Road is the right of every student. Once you pass the Nine Heavens Road, you would enjoy the special privilege of the high sect's core disciple. This was set by the high sect. No matter how powerful the Elders Council is, it's not greater than the high sect's rules, right?" Hu Changsheng raised his eyelids and said coolly.

Like everybody else, Hu Changsheng was also astonished by Ye Yuan's performance. It was just that he did not show it. He kept both eyes lightly closed like an old monk in meditation.

However, Hu Changsheng's talent loving heart was stirred, and he felt great pity for Ye Yuan.

Such a genius might be able to pass the Heaven Rank Advancement test in the future and become the Tranquil Cloud Sect's inner disciple. He might even yield brilliant results in the Ten Nation's Grand Competition and be chosen as a core disciple of the Tranquil Cloud Sect!

But now, Ye Yuan was going to fall on the Nine Heavens Road. How could that not make people sigh regretfully?

And what caused this sort of tragedy to happen was precisely these few so-called elders in front of his eyes who were playing politics!

How could this not make him displeased?

Hence, Hu Changsheng who was always a nice person finally blew his top!

Yes. Even with Ye Yuan's spectacular performance, Hu Changsheng did not think that Ye Yuan could pass through the Nine Heavens Road!

As the deputy dean, he naturally understood much more than the students. The further one went along the Nine Heavens Road, the more challenging it became. Especially at the last 333 steps, the difficulty basically reached an extreme level.

It was impossible for Ye Yuan to pass it with his current realm!

Hu Changsheng's words left that elder who was surnamed Lin dumbfounded. What could he say? That he was bigger than the Tranquil Cloud Sect? Was that not seeking death?

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Presently, Ye Yuan was already on an illusionary trip. He was currently in the pill refinement room at the Divine Realm's Medicine King's Hall.

A pill refinement room so vast that it could be a training room for martial arts, tens of times greater than Feng Ruoqing's refinement room. It could be called extravagant!

Ye Yuan would treat other aspects of himself shabbily with the sole exception of this pill refinement room and things related to it. No matter what he would not treat himself badly or underperform on this aspect.

Because the Alchemy God realm was his life-long goal!

Limitless Cauldron, one of the best pill cauldrons in the Divine Realm. It was formerly Ye Yuan's greatest love.

Apart from that, various pill refining tools and herbal ingredients were all here. Everything here was so familiar.

Ye Yuan spent over 300 years in this pill refinement room!

To Ye Yuan, he was even more familiar with this refinement room than his bedchamber.

There were no mirrors in his pill refinement room, but Ye Yuan knew that he definitely recovered his previous life's appearance.

"Appearance is born from the heart. This illusionary realm is seriously realistic. It can actually completely dig out the things buried within my heart so thoroughly! Even though I know it's an illusionary realm, I still don't wish to wake up!" Ye Yuan sighed emotionally.

After Ye Yuan entered the Nine Heavens Road's second stage, he suddenly felt his head was incomparably heavy. After a bout of dizziness, he appeared in his former refinement room.

Ye Yuan already confirmed that he entered an illusionary realm nearly straightaway.

Illusionary realms might look completely harmless, but it was extremely dangerous. Those students who went insane after challenging the Nine Heavens Road basically lost themselves after failing this second stage.

The average person who ventured deep into an illusionary world would often unable to extricate themselves out from it. They would be swept inside instantly, and finally, lose themselves inside it.

Only someone with a firm heart could free themselves from the illusion world and return to reality. However, this process was tremendously arduous. Even Mo Yuntian who was so powerful back then spent several days before he could awaken.

To talk about a firm heart, the previous life's Qingyun Zi was not that powerful either.

However, he had changed dramatically today and became countless times more mature than the previous life's Qingyun Zi in terms of mentality. In addition, his heart for vengeance was incomparably firm. How could ordinary illusionary worlds mesmerize him?

Without talking about how Ye Yuan himself was a great array master, even if his strength today was lacking and unable to break the array, it was still insanely difficult for illusion arrays to make him fall for them.

No matter how powerful this Nine Heavens Road was, it was nothing but an array formation from the Lower Realms. It was still considered as nothing in Ye Yuan's eyes.

This was also his greatest reliance to dare to tackle the Nine Heavens Road!

Except, seeing through the illusion world did not mean being able to break the illusion world, and it also did not mean willingness to break the illusion world.

This Nine Heavens Road was extremely remarkable, to directly look at the human heart.

Even somebody like Ye Yuan was unwilling to leave just like that after seeing this place filled with cherished memories.

These things had accompanied Ye Yuan for 300 years!

Every blade of grass and every tree was filled with feelings!

With a casual wave, the Limitless Cauldron turned into a remarkably small and exquisite pill cauldron in Ye Yuan's hand. The feeling when his fingers came into contact with the Limitless Cauldron was exactly the same as back then.

Of course it would be exactly the same. Because this illusionary realm was birthed from his inner thoughts!

"If time could rewind, how great would that be . . . " Ye Yuan was overcome with emotion.

Chapter 97: Heart Realm!

Dong dong dong!

Just as Ye Yuan was lost in his emotions, a knocking sound came from outside the door.

"Are you in there, Yun-er?"

That familiar yet foreign voice sounded out from outside the door. Ye Yuan could never forget this voice even if he turned to ashes. Because it was the voice belonging to his father, Ji Zhengyang.

Zhengyang Zi and Qingyun Zi were only Dao-titles that the outside world dedicated to them. Qingyun Zi and his father were originally surnamed Ji.

In the Divine Realm, any alchemist who reached the realm of Alchemy Emperor would be addressed respectfully with 'Zi.' Directly calling an Alchemy Emperor with his name was a great disrespect and could very well anger the Alchemy Emperor.

And the vastness of an Alchemy Emperor's network was unimaginable to the average person!

Even though he was clearly aware that he was currently inside an illusionary realm, Ye Yuan still shuddered uncontrollably.

Casually firing out a spell, the door to the pill refinement room automatically opened revealing Ji Zhengyang's figure.

Seeing this familiar figure once again, Ye Yuan's eyes immediately became moist.

Ji Zhengyang entered with a faint smile. When he saw Ye Yuan's wet eyes, he could not help but be surprised. "Why is your face covered in tears, Yun-er?"

Ye Yuan who had transformed into Ji Qingyun was fully aware that this was inside an illusionary realm, but he still could not resist explaining.

"Father, when Yun-er was preparing the herbs just now, I used the Melancholy Gathering Grass and accidentally got the fumes in my eyes. That's why I'm like this."

Melancholy Gathering Grass was a ninth rank herb with extremely powerful stimulating effects. Even with Ji Qingyun's status as an Alchemy Emperor, if he got the fumes in his eyes, he would also cry nonstop.

Ye Yuan did not know why he would inexplicably come up with a white lie even though he knew perfectly well that the Ji Zhengyang in front of his eyes did not exist.

As expected, Ji Zhengyang laughed when he heard it. "Yun-er is overly careless. Even father dares not to overlook this Melancholy Gathering Grass. How could you be so careless?"

Ye Yuan quietly received this teaching. "Father is right. Yun-er will be more careful next time."

Ji Zhengyang let out a sigh and said, "Oh Yun-er... Father knows that you are infatuated with the Alchemy Dao, but there isn't only the Alchemy Dao in this world. Cooping yourself up in a pill refinement room all the time will do you no good!"

Ye Yuan once again replied respectfully, "Don't worry, Father. Yun-er knows when to stop."

Ji Zhengyang shook his head and said, "You, oh you. What do you want me to say about you? The Alchemy Dao is boundless and everlasting. Even if we pour our entire lives into it, it would be hard to even glimpse a ten-thousandth of it. Even if you really stepped into the Deity Realm in the future and become an Alchemy God, it is but another beginning. When alive, one has to take note of many other things. You will see that the vastness of this world far exceeds your imagination when you step outside of the pill refinement room. You should learn more from your senior apprentice brother about this point."

Ye Yuan's face changed upon mentioning his senior apprentice brother. The killing intent in his heart unconsciously welled up but was quickly pressed down.

The current Ye Yuan could not be compared to the past. If he did not even have this bit of shrewdness, how could he talk about revenge?

One had to know that what he was worse off than his senior apprentice brother was not limited to cultivation realm, but instead, he fell behind in all aspects!

And wasn't this illusionary realm an excellent place for Ye Yuan to temper his heart realm?

Although he knew that this illusion array was automatically activated, and nobody knew what was happening inside, Ye Yuan still did not wish to expose these things that were buried in the innermost part of his heart.

Firstly, it was to temper his heart realm. Secondly, it was to prepare for all contingencies.

After all, his origin was simply overly startling. If it was leaked, it might be hard to not arouse some big trouble.

And Ye Yuan's current strength was far from being able to protect himself.

However, Ji Zhengyang apparently seemed to have discovered Ye Yuan's flash of killing intent and was very puzzled.

"What's wrong? You had a conflict with your senior apprentice brother?"

Ye Yuan smiled and nodded. "Don't worry, father. It's just a small spat. It will be fine after this period of time."

Ji Zhengyang then smiled and said, "So that's the case. Then it's fine. A peaceful family will prosper. Small fights and arguments are fine, but if you two brothers turn on each other, this Medicine King Hall will decline sooner or later."

Ye Yuan secretly sighed. This was more than just turning on each other!

This scoundrel killed the master who imparted to him all his abilities and raised him for several hundred years. He even murdered his master's only son!

Such an unfilial son could not be tolerated by heaven and earth!

Ji Canglan!

When I return to the Divine Realm someday, I will definitely grind your bones to dust!

"I will. I wonder why Father came to look for this child?"

Although the killing intent in his heart was billowing to the skies, Ye Yuan did not let out the slightest bit.

Ye Yuan knew that he seemed to have broken through in terms of his heart realm.

After hearing that, Ji Zhengyang smacked his own head and smiled wryly. "You see, I'm already old and muddle-headed. I forgot about the proper business after talking to you. Father has refined a half-step divine pill and was about to convene a Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly. When visitors from all around come to congratulate a few days later, you and your senior apprentice brother shall arrange all the matters. Don't treat the guests discourteously."

Hearing this, Ye Yuan's entire body trembled!

Just now, he was immersed in past events and completely did not think about what time the illusionary realm brought him to.

Only now that Ji Zhengyang mentioned it did Ye Yuan suddenly awakened. This so-called Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly was precisely when Ji Canglan revealed his fangs!

What Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly was this? This was simply a Father and Brother Killing Grand Assembly!

The so-called visitors from all around were also single-handedly arranged by Ji Canglan.

He really did not know how Ji Canglan operated over these few years to suddenly bring over dozens of Divine Kings. With the inside colluding with the outside, they swiftly brought down the Medicine King Hall!

The Medicine King Hall was also a top-tier power in the Divine Realm. Just the Divine Kings under Zhengyang Zi's command numbered over a dozen. But Ji Canglan had handled everything for several hundred years, causing the Medicine King Hall to fall apart immediately.

Ji Qingyun was oblivious to the outside world, so he was hoodwinked by everything that happened. Even after he reincarnated today, he still could not understand just how Ji Canglan did all those things under the eyes of the father-son pair.

When he closed his eyes to await death, he was seized with remorse over his usual indifference. But it was already too late for regrets. Ji Zhengyang was dead and his Dao dissipated!

Hence, the purpose of Ye Yuan's existence in this life was to do two things!

The first thing was to personally kill Ji Canglan and avenge this immense hatred. The second was to figure out just what force was supporting Ji Canglan from behind!

Ye Yuan believed that Ji Canglan would undoubtedly be unable to do this alone.

Wishing to overturn a colossal bring such as the Medicine King Hall? The force behind Ji Canglan must surely be powerful to the point it terrifies people at the sight of it.

But so what?

If he could not take revenge for Father, then what was the point of him, Ji Qingyun reincarnating?

He, Ji Qingyun, lived his life proudly. How could he possibly lead this sort of ignoble life?

Even if taking revenge was harder than reaching the heavens, Ji Qingyun would still try reaching this heaven!

Wasn't it just practicing martial arts?

Since Ji Qingyun was able to be hailed as the alchemist closest to Alchemy God during his previous life, he could become the martial artist most likely to step into the Deity Realm in this life!

How could a tiny little Nine Heavens Road thwart me, Ji Qingyun, on my heaven trampling journey?

"Don't worry, Father. It's only a small matter between Senior Apprentice Brother and me. This child will definitely work together with Senior Apprentice Brother and manage the matter of welcoming guests properly," Ye Yuan smiled and said.

Even as surging waves billowed in his heart, Ye Yuan obstinately did not reveal the slightest bit!

Ye Yuan did not permit even the slightest flaw in his heart realm. The more one was facing a powerful enemy, the more one had to maintain the steadiness of their heart state.

When experts exchange blows, what was fought was not only strength but also the strength of the heart!

"Haha! Then I can rest at ease," Ji Zhengyang laughed heartily and said with a smile as he stroked his beard.

Chapter 98: Heart Like Still Water!

There was complete silence at the foot of the Nine Heavens Peak.

Ye Yuan had already stood at the fifth step for four hours, while he only used a total of two hours to clear the first 333 steps!

The students looked at that figure halfway up the mountain. From the initial shock to excitement, then to dejection, and all the way until the current sighs of regret and pity.

The fever fell from the highest point down to the freezing point.

Ye Yuan's rushing style involuntarily gave everyone a feeling of a strong beginning but a weak ending.

The first stage was too quick, but the second stage was a failure right at the start. The difference between before and after was too great.

At this point, nobody thought that Ye Yuan could make it anymore. Their confidence gradually faded along with the passing of time.

Standing for four hours on one step. There were still 328 steps behind!

How would he pass?

"Humph! Playing tricks! He must have used some trickery to gain advantage previously. That's why it went so smoothly!" Su Yubai snorted coldly.

"Based on past experiences, the second stage of the Nine Heavens Road could very well be an eternal illusionary realm. And the derivative of this illusionary realm would become increasingly terrifying along with the increase in steps. Finally, it would leave people unable to extricate themselves. Ye Yuan already sunk in so deeply at the fifth step, I'm afraid it's hopeless to save the situation." Zhang Songtao also made a rare remark at this time.

Hu Changsheng looked at Ye Yuan with a grave expression.

How could he not know what Zhang Songtao said? After so many years of fumbling about, even though the specific situations inside the Nine Heavens Road could not be confirmed, they were still able to conjecture many things according to the students' performance.

Without a doubt, this second stage's content was the easiest to confirm.

Because almost all the students who survived this round became insane. Clearly, they lost their minds inside the illusionary realm.

And in this second stage, the earlier one fell for the illusionary realm, the more dangerous it became.

This illusionary realm was able to continuously develop as it derived non-stop. The further it went, the more realistic it became, and the more they would not be able to extricate themselves.

Basically, those who got trapped so early like Ye Yuan had virtually no possibility of escaping the illusionary realm.

"A pity. A pinnacle genius who could have been extraordinarily splendors actually plummeted here."

"Ye Yuan might be a genius, but somebody like him was destined to not walk far. Because he failed to show restraint."

"Yeah. Too tough, and it's easily broken. Ye Yuan doesn't know how to tolerate, that's why he challenged the academy's rules, which resulted to his end. To him, Lin Tiancheng was doomed to be a minor character. There would have been thousands of ways to mess him to death. Why did he have to be impulsive?"

"Disperse then. Let's go. It's already hopeless for Ye Yuan. It's impossible for him to wake up."

Quite a few people already lost their patience and faith and left in groups.

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In the illusionary realm, Ye Yuan saw Ji Canglan once again!

"Haha. You finally exited seclusion, Junior Apprentice Brother. This brother waited for a long time! There are more and more guests these few days; I already can't handle it anymore. If you don't come out, I would have gone to Master and washed my hands off this matter." Seeing Ye Yuan, Ji Canglan laughed.

Ye Yuan's emotions were somewhat chaotic. Seeing this great enemy again, Ye Yuan was unable to keep a calm state of mind even though this was inside an illusionary realm.

Ye Yuan had methods to break apart the illusionary realm. However, he did not do so.

He did not wish to alter the direction the illusionary realm was heading to and fight to the death with Ji Canglan. Because that was meaningless.

He wanted to make use of this illusionary realm to advance his heart realm!

Heart realm was something fleeting and abstruse and looked like it was completely useless towards cultivation. Very few martial artists placed their thoughts on it as well.

However, Ye Yuan knew that heart realm was extremely useful towards a martial artist's future cultivation road. It even determined to a certain extent the martial artist's potential and limit!

To martial artists, heart realm was something akin to adding wings to a tiger!

If two martial artists with the exact same cultivation strength were to battle it out, the final victor would definitely be the one with the higher heart realm!

To Ye Yuan, even the slightest increase in strength was extremely valuable.

"My apologies. I've let Senior Apprentice Brother wait for too long," Ye Yuan forcefully suppressed the killing intent inside him and apologized.

"Since when have us brothers been so distant? Brother is only joking with you. Don't take it to heart, Junior Apprentice Brother. I know that Junior Apprentice Brother is pursuing the great Alchemy Dao and doesn't like to be distracted by mundane matters. I will do my best to take on what I can handle. Except, the assembly this time around is crucial to our Medicine King Hall. So I have no other options but to invite Junior Apprentice Brother out."

Ji Canglan was filled with sincerity without the slightest bit of hypocrisy. Nobody could have seen through his wild ambitions.

Ye Yuan also smiled and said, "I'll naturally help Senior Apprentice Brother share the burden."

The following few days, Ye Yuan followed Ji Canglan and began to busy themselves with the various matters of the Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly.

Even if these things were what he hated the most in the past, Ye Yuan still did them conscientiously, as if he was wholly immersed in the illusionary realm and substituted himself inside.

In the first place, it was himself. This posed no challenge at all to Ye Yuan.

The Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly went according to the planned routine. Then Ji Canglan finally revealed his fangs.

Due to the fact that they drank a poison during the Pill Appreciation Grand Assembly which made people temporarily lose their abilities, Ji Zhengyang and Ji Qingyun were already currently lambs awaiting slaughter.

"Master, don't blame this disciple for being heartless. This disciple also can't help it." Ji Canglan pointed the sword in his hand at Ji Zhengyang.

Ji Zhengyang's heart was akin to dead ashes. He shut his eyes and said, "Now that things have come to this, no point talking anymore. I only wish that you can spare Yun-er's life."

Hearing that, Ji Canglan smiled sinisterly. "My apologies, Respectable Master, I'm afraid I can't satisfy this dying wish of yours. If the roots of the weeds aren't removed, they will grow again come spring. I don't want to leave behind an enemy with such potential. Junior Apprentice Brother Yun's talent is astonishing. As long as he's given a chance, he will probably have the strength to threaten me after several decades."

Finishing, Ji Canglan swung his longsword. A gleam of sword light shot directly towards Ye Yuan.

At this time, Ji Zhengyang's body suddenly moved. He blocked this sword light for Ye Yuan!

Without essence energy to protect his body, Ji Zhengyang's body was instantaneously pulverized by the sword light!

At the same time, the might of Ji Zhengyang's divine soul abruptly erupted and swept towards Ji Canglan!

Seeing the situation, Ji Canglan howled, "You miserable old fool! You actually ignited your divine soul?! Do you want your soul to dissipate?!"

Rumble!

A violent clash. Ji Zhengyang's divine soul crumbled away, while Ji Canglang also vomited a large mouthful of blood. Clearly, he had also sustained injuries that were not minor.

Ye Yuan looked on at this scene coldly and did not become agitated nor was he indignant. There was not even any trace of emotion.

Having experienced once again this scene, which was engraved into his bones and heart, it was equivalent to prying open the scars in his heart. This sort of spiritual pain was something that the average person could not feel.

Yet, when the illusionary realm reached this moment, it was also incredibly dangerous! If he could not make it through, Ye Yuan would no longer exist after today!

Ji Canglan held the sword as he clutched his chest and walked towards Ye Yuan step by step.

"Don't blame Senior Apprentice Brother, Junior Yun. I also can't help it myself. Take care along the way," Ji Canglan said as he was walking.

Ye Yuan looked at Ji Canglan and suddenly gave a light smile.

Ye Yuan crossed his legs to sit and shut his eyes as if he totally gave up resisting.

However, as Ji Canglan's approached, the aura on Ye Yuan's body gradually became fleeting; until towards the end, his aura could not be sensed at all, as if he had died.

With a slash, the entire world gradually became dim.

Fainter and hazier . . . Finally, it vanished . . .

Ye Yuan slowly opened his eyes and felt the real world, muttering to himself, "Is this Heart Like Still Water?"

Chapter 99: Essence Energy Vortex!

Inside the pavilion opposite the Nine Heavens Peak, Su Yubai stood up and patted the dust off his body.

"Nothing to see anymore. Let's go. It's hopeless for Ye Yuan. I even thought that he had some reliance, to dare tackle the Nine Heavens Road. In the end, he only crossed five steps in the second stage and was done."

"I don't want to watch anymore either. Waste of time!"

"Time to go, time to go. After such a long time, turns out it's a farce. I still thought that there was some show to watch. After messing around for the greater part of a day, he's still the same as the rest."

Su Yubai walked off, and the other elders naturally lost interest and stood up one after another.

They watched Ye Yuan stand there unmoved for four hours, and were actually bored out of their minds already.

Now that they were assured Ye Yuan would not wake up, they naturally felt that there was no longer the need to watch on.

Su Yubai circled past the stone table and led the crowd out of the pavilion.

After just a few steps, there was suddenly a commotion coming from the students at the foot of the mountain.

"Quick, look! Ye Yuan moved!"

"En? He's actually meditating on the spot? What's he trying to do?"

"He's not thinking about cultivating on the spot, right? Or has he already run amok?"

"Does running amok look like that? Doesn't seem so? Looking at this appearance, it seems more like cultivating. But what's the use of doing something like embracing Buddha's feet at his hour of need?"

"Ye Yuan always exceeds expectations when doing things. I really don't know what he's trying to do. But looking at his appearance, he should have just escaped from inside the illusionary realm. But he only walked five steps. How is he going to cross the remaining steps at the back?"

Ye Yuan's actions finally let the frustrated crowd find a topic of conversation once again. All manners of speculations spread out among the crowd.

The three people, Huyan Yong, Feng Ruoqing, and Feng Zhirou, who were initially already in despair, finally let out a sigh of relief right now.

"This rascal really scared me to death. I even thought that he won't ever wake up anymore!" Huyan Yong exclaimed and wiped away his cold sweat.

Feng Ruoqing, on the other hand, continued to watch Ye Yuan silently, as if she had discovered something.

"What is it, Teacher Feng? Is something wrong?" Huyan Yong asked curiously.

"Teacher Huyan, do you feel that Ye Yuan's aura isn't guite right?"

"Mm?" Huyan Yong felt Ye Yuan's aura, and sure enough, he felt that something was amiss. "This rascal, why is the aura of his body becoming increasingly weaker? Could some problem have occurred?"

Feng Ruoqing shook her head. Clearly, she also could not make clear of the situation.

However, their perceptions were locked onto Ye Yuan. But they discovered that Ye Yuan's aura became increasingly weaker, progressively weaker until in the end, it actually directly vanished!

The three people were completely stunned.

"Mm? His aura vanished? Could it be that he's already dead?" Su Yubai had clearly also discovered Ye Yuan's transformation.

Elder Lin suddenly opened his mouth and asked, "Elder Su, that Ye Yuan's aura has already completely vanished. Did he already die on the Nine Heavens Road?"

With Elder Lin's words, Su Yubai became even more certain about his idea.

Quashing the wild elation in his heart, Su Yubai nodded and said, "Although the situation is somewhat bizarre, his aura has indeed completely vanished. Looks like he's really dead already."

"Snort! Slighting the Elders Council! This outcome was deserved! Leaving a whole corpse can be counted as letting him off lightly!" Elder Lin derided coldly.

"Haha. Dean Hu already said that this was a student's right. Since he chose this way of dying, and he's already dead now, it also counts as us Elders Council enforcing the academy's rules."

Su Yubai current mood was evidently excellent and turned around to console Elder Lin instead.

Although the process was a little winded, Ye Yuan finally still died. He had finally helped the Su Family to eliminate this hidden danger.

Inside the pavilion, Hu Changsheng looked at Ye Yuan's 'corpse,' gave a long sigh, and also got up to prepare to leave.

Majority of the Heaven rank students with higher cultivation also discovered Ye Yuan's abnormal condition. After feeling sorry for him, they involuntarily secretly breathed a sigh of relief.

One Long Tang already crushed them until they could not breathe. With the addition of an even more monstrous Ye Yuan, their life in the future would be even worse off.

"Didn't expect it; I really didn't expect it. Ye Yuan actually died on the fifth step! Oh, Old Long, no matter how monstrous Ye Yuan was, he's already a has been. You also saw the terror of the Nine Heavens Road. Are you still going to challenge the Nine Heavens Road?" Zuo Bugui said to Long Tang.

Long Tang narrowed his eyes. Clearly, he did not really believe the truth in front of him.

Ye Yuan charged through the first stage so smoothly, how could he possibly fall at the fifth step in the second stage?

This was too absurd!

Hearing Zuo Bugui's words, Long Tang nodded and said, "Even if the Nine Heavens Road were a mountain of knives or a flaming sea, a dragon's lair or a tiger's den, I would still challenge it! Either I succeed or I perish!"

"You're seriously stubborn! Forget it. I know that you're proud and arrogant. I won't be able to persuade you. Since you're giving me your rank of the first place with both hands, I'll kindly accept it!"

"First place? What the point of first place in the Dan Wu Academy? If you like it so much, then take it," Long Tang said nonchalantly.

"Sigh. You've really been 'poisoned deeply'! He's already dead. Are you still going to keep watching?"

"Watch a while more. I keep feeling that Ye Yuan won't die so easily!"

"Since when did you become like this, Old Long? He's clearly already . . . Mm? What's going on?"

While the two were talking, they suddenly felt some irregular movements happening to the surrounding essence energy.

The students at the foot of the mountain already started preparing to leave when suddenly, a wild wind whistled past, and the essence energy around them started becoming thinner.

"What's happening?"

"The Nine Heavens Peak is a land with extremely abundant essence energy. How come now the energy became so thin? Could it be that someone is breaking through?"

"It's Ye Yuan! Ye Yuan is breaking through!"

Somebody shouted from within the crowd, drawing everyone's eyes toward Ye Yuan once again.

It was only to see that the essence energy in the vicinity of the Nine Heavens Peak surged towards Ye Yuan frenziedly at this moment!

With Ye Yuan as the center, it formed a storm of enormous essence energy! An essence energy vortex!

Ye Yuan's aura also swiftly grew stronger!

Huyan Yong and Feng Ruoqing exchanged glances and saw the astonishment in the other party's eyes.

"This is . . . Heart Like Still Water! Ye Yuan, he . . . actually reached the Heart Like Still Water Realm! This is simply inconceivable! Even among Crystal Formation Realms, there were only extremely few people who actually reached such level in terms of heart realm. This is a realm from the legends! Ye Yuan is only at the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm, so how did he do it?" Huyan Yong sucked in a cold breath.

Feng Ruoqing's eyes flashed. Clearly, she was also in the midst of shock. "Pretty soon, it's not going to be Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm anymore. He's about to break through right now!"

"This punk is seriously too shocking! He only just broke through to the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm a few days back, and now, he's actually going to cross a minor stage again and directly reach the Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm! Truly terrifying!" Huyan Yong was astounded.

But seeing how Ye Yuan was so peerlessly talented, he also felt quite pleased in his heart. No matter what, Ye Yuan's relationship with the academy was sowed.

He also felt extremely proud for such a genius to walk out of the State of Qin's Dan Wu Academy.

Feng Ruoqing took a deep breath and questioned, "Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm? Look at this amount of essence energy, Teacher Huyan; is it only the Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm?"

Chapter 100: Peak Ninth Level Essence Qi Realm!

Only after hearing what Feng Ruoging said was Huyan Yong stunned.

Sensing the increasingly wilder essence energy vortex, Huyan Yong was once again shocked.

The feeling of this essence energy vortex almost caught up to breaking through the Spirit Condensation Realm!

Such violent essence energy, was Ye Yuan not afraid that he would be stuffed to death?"

However, Heart Like Still Water was a legendary realm. Perhaps Ye Yuan could really digest it!

Thinking up to here, Huyan Yong could not help but look forward to it.

"Hehe. This rascal really brings people surprises repeatedly."

Huyan Yong was secretly excited. However, Su Yubai's expression currently did not look good.

He originally already confirmed Ye Yuan's death. Now, not only did Ye Yuan come back to life, he even started breaking through by taking advantage of the situation.

It had only been a few days since he broke through to the Sixth Level Essence Qi Realm. He was actually going to break through again!

Right now, Su Yubai could only curse that Ye Yuan was stuffed to death by this violent essence energy vortex!

Also, Ye Yuan actually reached the Heart Like Still Water Realm from the legends on the Nine Heavens Road!

He had lived for such a long time, and he did not even know what was called Heart Like Still Water, yet a fifteen-year-old brat like Ye Yuan actually reached such a level in heart realm!

After raging, Su Yubai suddenly felt waves of uneasiness.

He suddenly recalled the words that Ye Yuan said three days back.

"I'll remember this, you old fart! I, Ye Yuan, will repay today's grudge a hundredfold in the future! I will definitely take your head within a year!"

The words were still echoing in Su Yubai's ears. Back then, he only treated it as a joke.

But now, Su Yubai's heart started to become uneasy.

Within a year? He can't really do it, right?

Thinking up to here, Su Yubai shuddered uncontrollably.

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The wild essence energy vortex started roaring with Ye Yuan as its center and shrouded a radius of several hundred meters. The students sensed that the surrounding essence energy was virtually sucked dry.

Ye Yuan revolved the Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art and greedily absorbed the essence energy surrounding the Nine Heavens Peak. His aura could be clearly seen as it rose swiftly.

However, Ye Yuan who was residing at the heart of the vortex did not move even in the slightest, as if he was still a dead man.

This movement and stillness gave everyone a huge contrast, making them felt the situation was very odd.

Nevertheless, what people were most concerned with was what Ye Yuan was trying to do.

Such an enormous essence energy vortex could completely let a martial artist break through to the Spirit Condensation Realm!

Was this Ye Yuan trying to directly break through to the Spirit Condensation Realm?

Under everyone's dumbstruck faces, Ye Yuan used Heart Like Still Water to revolve the Spirit Bristle Nine Yang Divine Art. The efficiency actually became several times faster than normal!

He frenziedly refined the essence energy to bring it into his Dantian. His cultivation realm was also in the process of steadily rising!

The cultivation breakthrough this time around was not Ye Yuan initiating the breakthrough, but rather, it followed naturally after the breakthrough in heart realm.

As the saying went, when the water was full, it automatically overflowed. This was that logic.

After 15 minutes, Ye Yuan's realm broke through to the Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm without any surprises, stepping into the final minor stage in the Essence Qi Realm.

However, this was just the beginning. The essence energy vortex did not show any sign of stopping, and Ye Yuan continued to refine essence energy ceaselessly.

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"Too maniacal! He absorbed so much essence energy and only broke through to the Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm. If it were me, it would probably be enough to reach the Eighth Level Essence Qi Realm!"

"Yeah. What he's cultivating is definitely not the academy's cultivation law. It's impossible for the academy's Tier 3 cultivation laws to have this kind of effects."

"When you compare people, people have to die. When you compare goods, goods have to be thrown away! I wonder if I can be as monstrous as Ye Yuan if I cultivate such a powerful cultivation law."

"Are you still sleeping? Don't talk about cultivating Ye Yuan's cultivation law; are you even able to cultivate the academy's Tier 3 cultivation laws? High-tier cultivation laws are incomparably profound. If everybody could cultivate them, then wouldn't everyone be able to ascend to the Divine Realm?"

"That's true. But how is Ye Yuan trying to break through? Looking at his appearance, is he not going to give up if he doesn't break through to the Spirit Condensation Realm?!"

"Initially, I thought that way too, but looking at his current performance, the amount of essence energy required to break through to the Spirit Condensation Realm must definitely be horrifying! Even though this essence energy vortex is powerful, I'm afraid it isn't sufficient for him to break through to the Spirit Condensation Realm."

Under the crowd's discussions, Ye Yuan's cultivation steadily rose and rapidly broke through to the peak of Seventh Level Essence Qi Realm.

Then, it directly broke through to the Eighth Level Essence Qi Realm!

Following which, Ye Yuan's momentum did not slow down in the slightest. His aura became even more vigorous until he broke through to the Ninth Level Essence Qi Realm before finally gradually slowing.

Finally, Ye Yuan's realm stopped at the peak Ninth Level Essence Qi Realm, just a single step away from the Spirit Condensation Realm!

The essence energy vortex dispersed, and Ye Yuan slowly got up. He muttered to himself, "In the previous life, I cultivated to the Divine King level without having any breakthrough in heart realm. I didn't think that while I'm currently only at the Essence Qi Realm, I would unexpectedly have such breakthrough. Martial artists placed emphasis on essence energy but disparaged heart realm. I didn't expect heart realm to actually be so important. Perhaps that intangible, abstruse Heaven Man Unity might even have some sort of connection with the Deity Realm!"

There was also the distinction between realms within the heart realm, except, it was not as systematic as cultivation realms. It was also somewhat hard to grasp.

Heart realm was divided into three realms. They were respectively Heart Like Still Water, Heart Like Monolith, and the mythical Heaven Man Unity!

Heart realm could not be trained. One could only rely on lucky chances and enlightened comprehension.

Heart Like Still Water, akin to an old well without ripples.

It was easy to say, but in reality, it was extremely difficult to achieve.

The world was plagued with turmoil and confusion. How could it be simple to truly achieve Heart Like Still Water when in the midst of the pugilistic world.

Those who could reach Heart Like Still Water Realm probably would not number more than ten in the entire Endless World.

Ye Yuan initially did not expect to break through the heart realm either. He immersed himself inside the illusionary realm all so that he could rehearse for when meeting Ji Canglan in the future.

Ji Canglan's might was not something that the average person could comprehend. Even if he cultivated to the Divine King level once again, Ye Yuan also did not have confidence in killing him.

If Ye Yuan was unable to remain calm and collected when facing Ji Canglan in the future, then the person who would be defeated would very well be himself!

In reality, it was already extremely perilous for Ye Yuan just now in the illusionary realm. He was already at the edge of losing himself.

However, when Ji Zhengyang died yet again due to protecting him, something flashed across Ye Yuan's heart, and he comprehended Heart Like Still Water at the moment of crisis. That was how he broke the illusionary realm and exited.

Heart Like Still Water was actually not that amazing in the Divine Realm. Martial artists at the Divine King level could basically all reach this realm.

Of course, with the exception of Ye Yuan.

However, Heart Like Monolith was not so easy to attain. According to what Ye Yuan knew, there was scarcely anyone who reached that level even among the Divine Realm's Divine Kings.

As for the mythical Heaven Man Unity, Ye Yuan had never heard of anyone who accomplished it.

"Looks like the person who created the Nine Heavens Road had reached the Heart Like Still Water realm in the past. He fused his understanding into the illusionary realm to help students sense it. Seriously impressive. Except, I'm afraid it would be difficult to comprehend this Heart Like Still Water if one didn't have massive lucky encounters."

Ye Yuan had already praised this Nine Heavens Road more than once.

Ye Yuan must admit that the difficulty of this Nine Heavens Road had surpassed his imaginations.

He even nearly lost himself while in the illusionary realm, let alone the other students.

Even those students who had made it past the Nine Heavens Road most likely only forced their way through it. They were, however, unable to comprehend the true essence of the Nine Heavens Road.

This Nine Heavens Road was actually a vast treasure trove!

This middle stage of 333 steps no longer posed any more challenge to Ye Yuan now that his heart realm had already broken through to Heart Like Still Water Realm.

He made his move and headed directly for the third stage!